



Mount Alexander Shire

Norwood Hill Playground Mural

Artist Statement

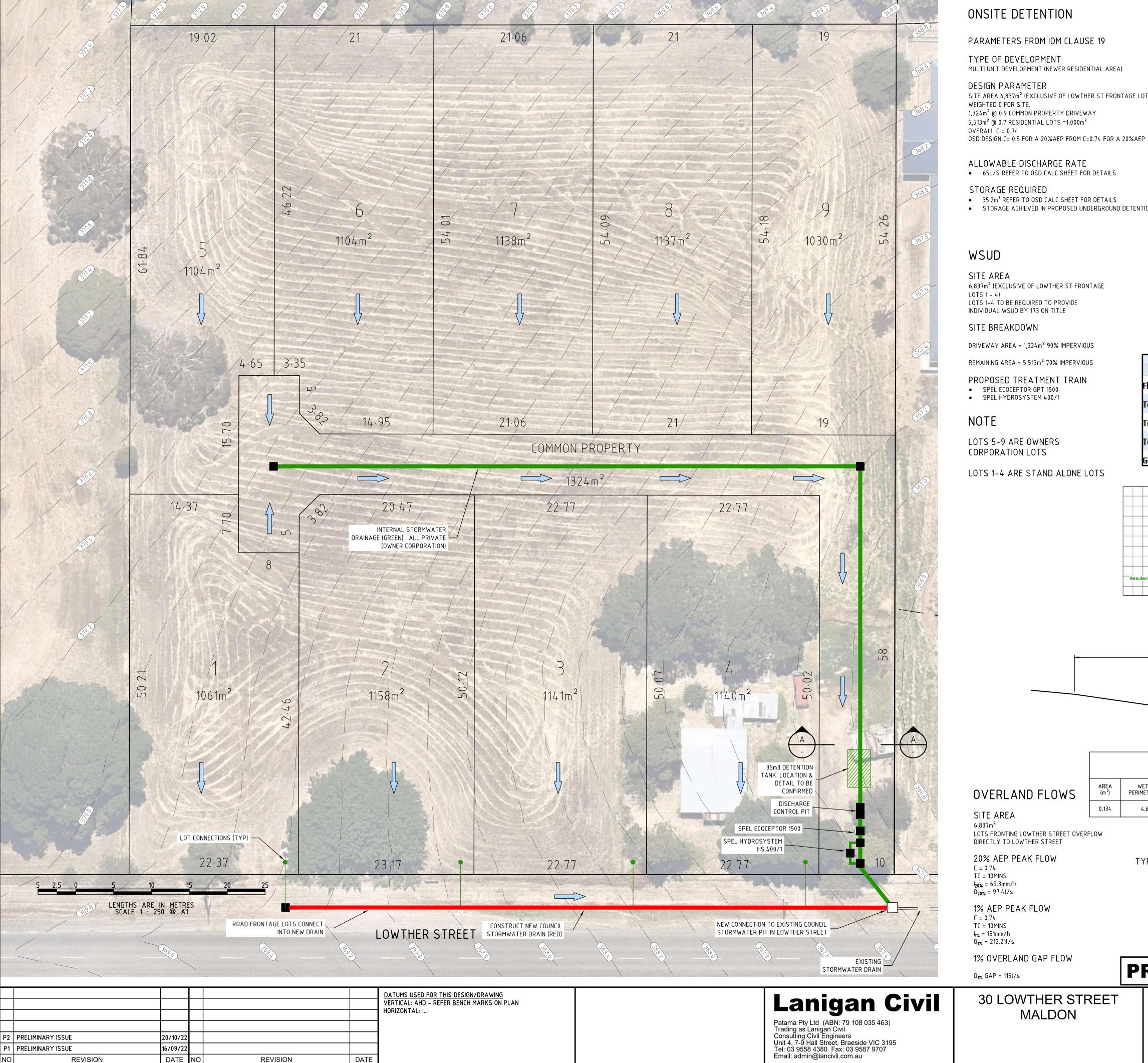
The artwork concept for this project is inspired by colours of Country, colours from the landscape and the recreational space within the Norwood Hill Mural Project. The artwork depicts coming together in the community to play, drawing inspiration from the Djaara word Wirima.

The centre design is layered and reflects growth, to learn to gain knowledge as we grow. The gum leaves within the concept depict age and wisdom representing the parents, guardians and older community members that bring family here; and a place of sharing and harmony, and coming together.

- Daikota Nelson







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REVISION

16/09/22

DATE NO

REVISION

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ONSITE DETENTION

TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT MULTI UNIT DEVELOPMENT (NEWER RESIDENTIAL AREA)

DESIGN PARAMETER SITE AREA 6,837m² (EXCLUSIVE OF LOWTHER ST FRONTAGE LOTS) WEIGHTED C FOR SITE. 1,324m² @ 0.9 COMMON PROPERTY DRIVEWAY 5.513m² @ 0.7 RESIDENTIAL LOTS ~1.000m²

ALLOWABLE DISCHARGE RATE

65L/S REFER TO OSD CALC SHEET FOR DETAILS

STORAGE REQUIRED

 35.2m³ REFER TO OSD CALC SHEET FOR DETAILS STORAGE ACHIEVED IN PROPOSED UNDERGROUND DETENTION STORAGE TANK

6,837m² (EXCLUSIVE OF LOWTHER ST FRONTAGE LOTS 1-4 TO BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE

DRIVEWAY AREA = 1,324m² 90% IMPERVIOUS

REMAINING AREA = 5,513m² 70% IMPERVIOUS

SPEL ECOCEPTOR GPT 1500

LOTS 5-9 ARE OWNERS CORPORATION LOTS

LOTS 1-4 ARE STAND ALONE LOTS

THE CONCEPTUAL STORMWATER DRAINAGE SYSTEM ON THIS SITE HAS BEEN DESIGNED, WITH THE USE OF "MUSIC" (MODEL FOR URBAN STORMWATER IMPROVEMENT CONCEPTUALISATION), SUCH THAT STORMWATER RUNOFF EXITING THE LAND MEETS THE CURRENT BEST PRACTICE PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES FOR STORMWATER QUALITY, AS CONTAINED IN THE URBAN STORMWATER BEST PRACTICE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES (VICTORIAN STORMWATER COMMITTEE, 1999) AS FOLLOWS: 80% REDUCTION OF THE TYPICAL ANNUAL LOAD OF SUSPENDED SOLIDS (80.9% ACHIEVED)

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

PROPOSED NEW COUNCIL DRAIN

PROPOSED STORMWATER PIT

EXISTING DRAINAGE

EXISTING CONTOURS

EXISTING SPOT LEVELS

DESIGN SPOT LEVELS

PROPOSED PRIVATE 20% AEP DRAIN

INDICATED BY FLOW ARROWS ON PLAN

156.6

+ E156.60

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DRAINAGE PIPES

OVERLAND FLOW

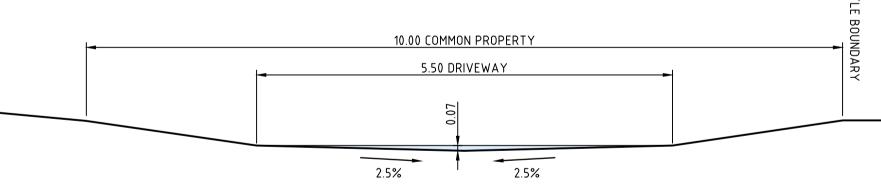
LEVELS

- 45% REDUCTION OF THE TYPICAL ANNUAL LOAD OF TOTAL PHOSPHORUS (77.9% ACHIEVED) 45% REDUCTION OF THE TYPICAL ANNUAL LOAD OF TOTAL NITROGEN (57.7% ACHIEVED)
- 70% REDUCTION OF THE TYPICAL ANNUAL LOAD OF GROSS POLLUTANTS (96.1% ACHIEVED)

	Sources	Residual Load	% Reduction
Flow (ML/yr)	2.11	2.11	0
Total Suspended Solids (kg/yr)	598	74.5	87.5
Total Phosphorus (kg/yr)	1.05	0.188	82.1
Total Nitrogen (kg/yr)	5	1.84	63.2
Gross Pollutants (kg/yr)	83.1	1.36	98.4

MUSIC RESULTS





	OVERLAND FLOW CALC								
5	AREA (m²)	WETTED PERIMETER (m)	MANNINGS N	SLOPE (m/m)	R (m)	Q (m³/s)	V (m/s)	D ave	V×D
	0.134	4.634	0.016	0.025	0.029	0.115	0.857	0.058	0.050

TYPICAL COMMON PROPERTY DRIVEWAY OVERLAND FLOW PATH

20% AEP PEAK FLOW

1% AEP PEAK FLOW

1% OVERLAND GAP FLOW

SECTION A-A

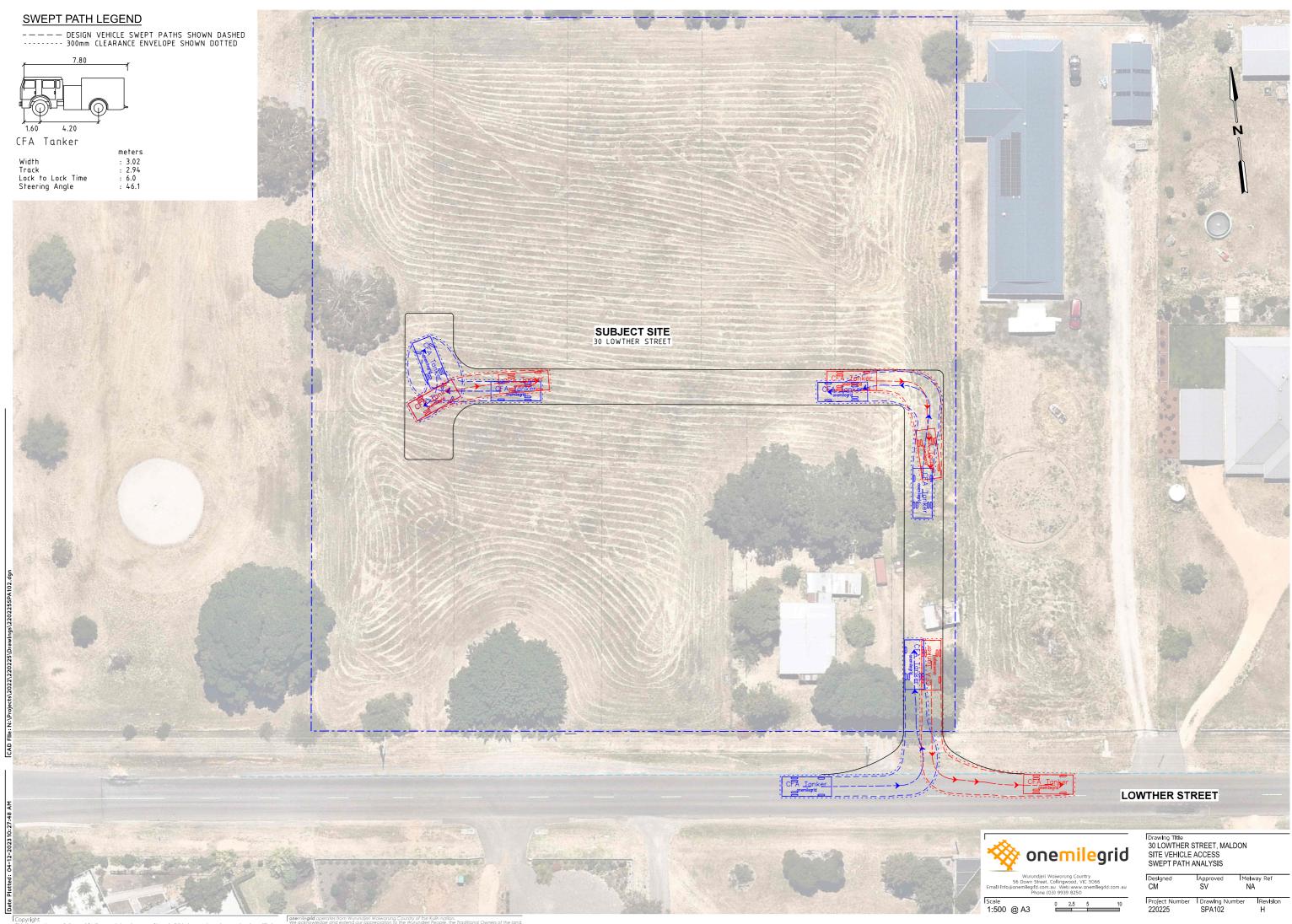
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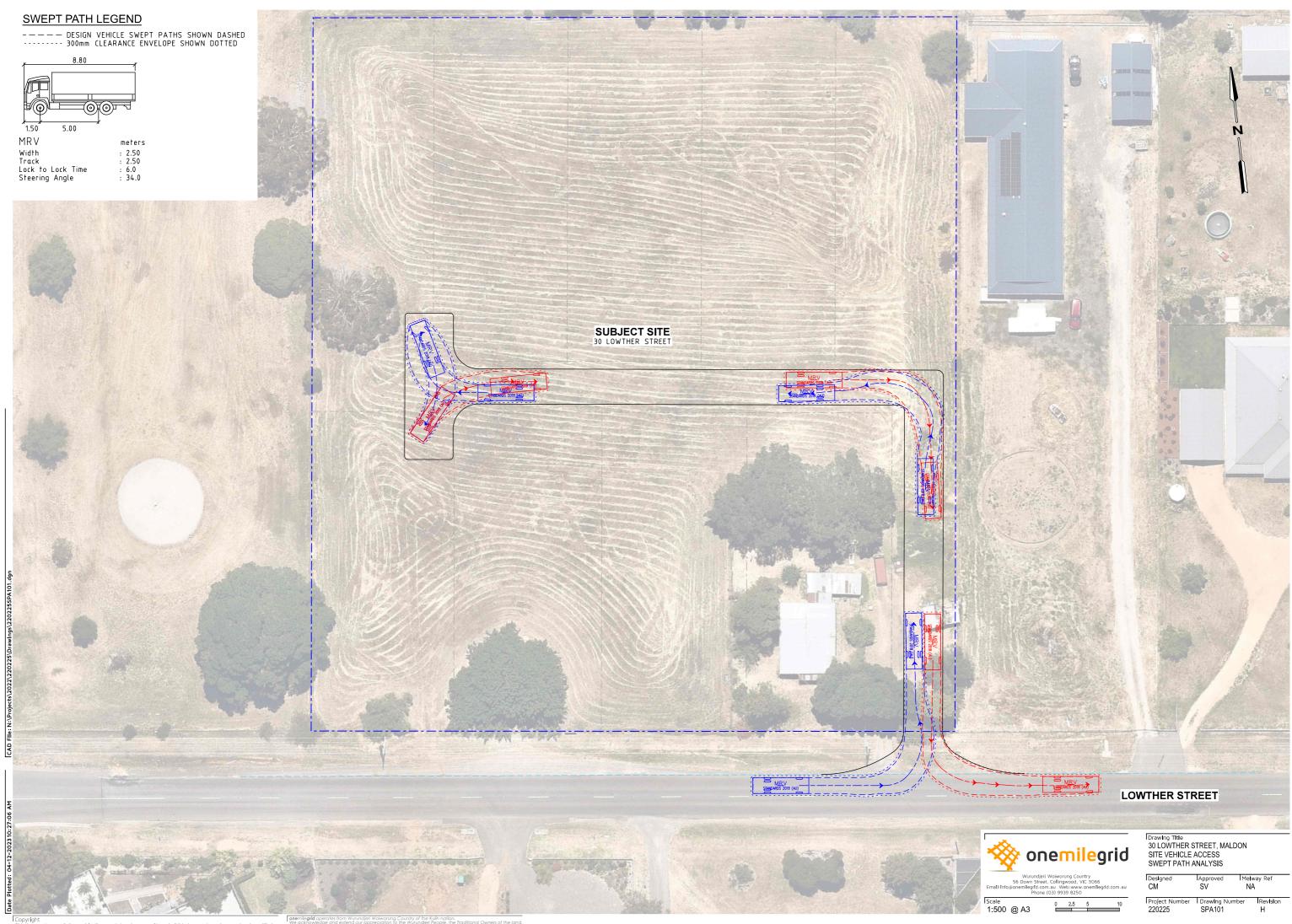
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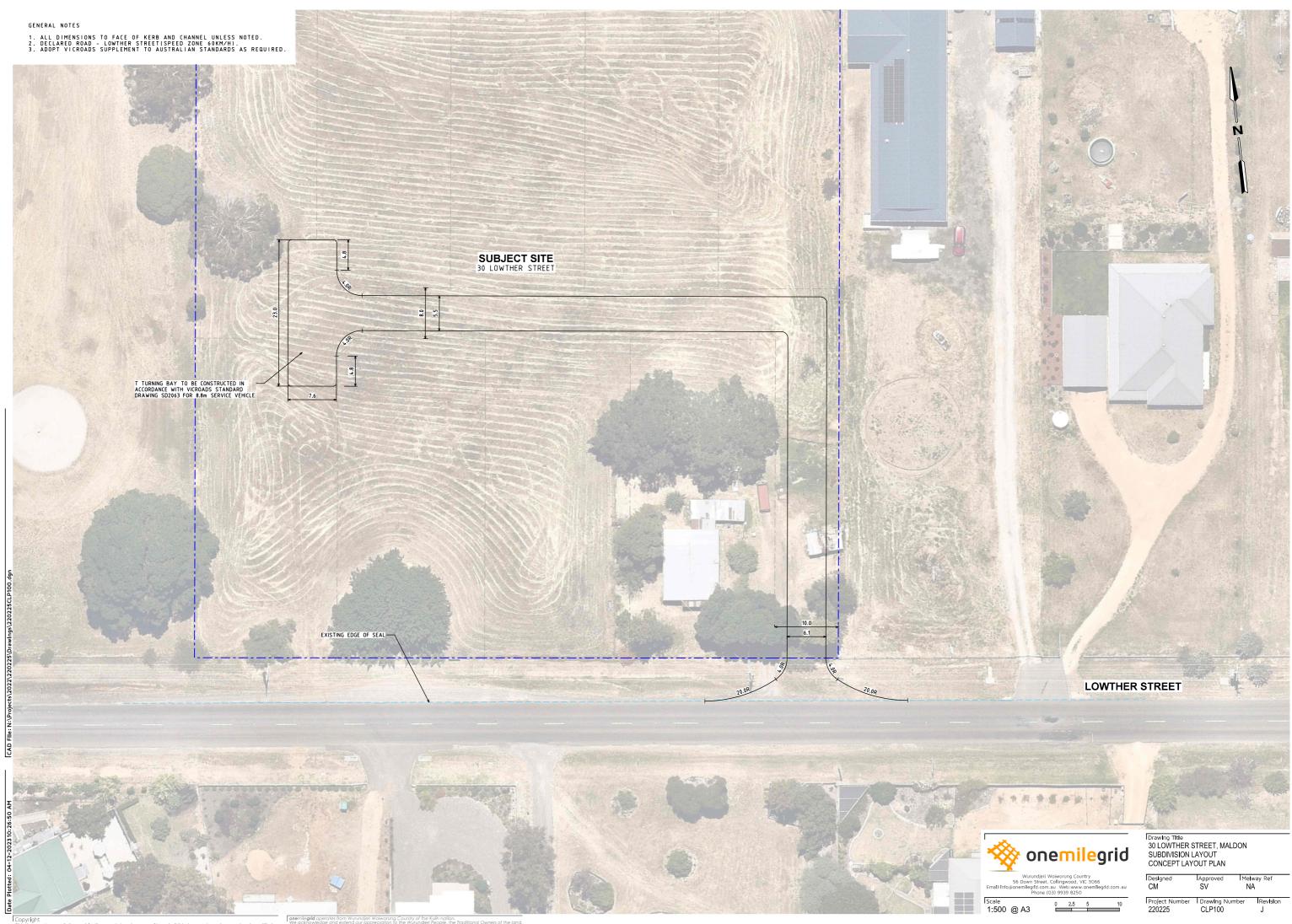
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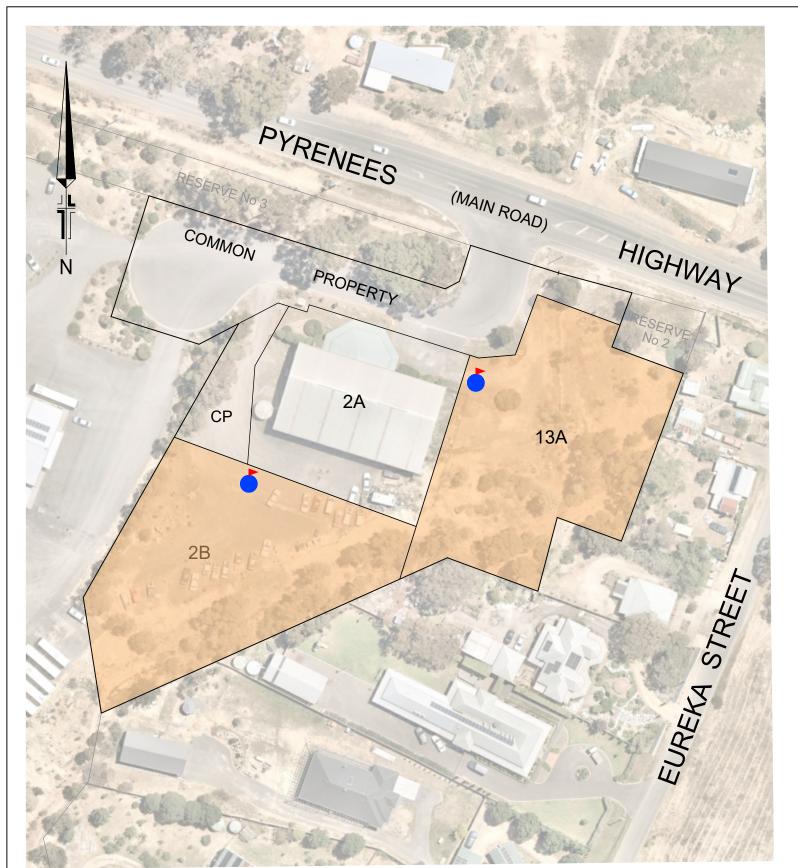
Clause/Standard	Objectives	Satisfy Objectives/Standards/Requirements
56.01-1 Subdivision site and context description	N/A	Complies. The subdivision is in keeping with the strategic framework for Maldon as it is ocated within an established residential area being earmarked for residential development. A detailed neighbourhood and site description is provided in the above sections.
56.01-2 Subdivision design response	N/A	Complies. The proposed subdivision is consistent with council's structure plan for the area, works with the contour of the site to minimise earthworks and provides a quality outcome for new housing opportunities in a growth area of Maldon.
56.02-1 Policy Implementation	 To ensure that the layout and design of a subdivision is consistent with and implements any objective, policy, strategy, or plan for the area set out in this scheme. 	Complies. The proposed subdivision is consistent with the objective, policy, strategy, or plan for the area set out in this scheme.
56.03-5 Neighbourhood character objective Standard C6	 To design subdivisions that respond to neighbourhood character. 	Complies. The proposed subdivision is like the subdivision of the adjoining lots to the west.
56.04-1 Lot diversity and distribution objectives Standard C7	and walkable Heighbourhoods and the efficient provision of public transport services. To provide higher housing densities within walking distance of activity centres. To achieve increased housing densities in designated	Complies. This is a development of 9 consistent lots and is consistent in size and density with councils' existing structure plan covering the subject site. The achieved density is also consistent with the zone and in keeping with the varied lot sizes in the local area. The Lot sizes are varied from those surrounding the land, in allowing development that is half the size of the adjoining allotments to the east but larger or equal to the lots to the south.
56.04-2 Lot area and building envelopes objective Standard C8	To provide lots with areas and dimensions that enable the appropriate siting and construction of a dwelling, solar access, private open space, vehicle access and parking, water management, easements and the retention of significant vegetation and site features.	Complies. The proposed lots are all larger than 100sqm in area. All lots are well more than capable of containing a rectangle of 10m x 15m. The proposed lot dimensions are considered adequate to ensure solar

56.04-3 Solar orientation of lots objective Standard C9	To provide good solar orientation of lots and solar access for future dwellings.	access for dwellings on each site and the ability to meet energy rating requirements and provide adequate open space. A condition will be placed on the permit to ensure the dwellings on Lowther Street front the street. Complies. The proposed orientation of all lots is west to east. The vacant lots will be of sufficient area and width to provide for north/east facing living areas and secluded open space with a north/east aspect relative to potential building areas. The configuration of the subdivision allows all lots to have adequate solar access.
56.04-4 Street orientation objective Standard C10	contributes to community social interaction, personal safety,	Complies. The proposed subdivision fronts Lowther Street. Due to restrictions of the subdivision, conditions will be required to ensure the development is consistent with the streetscape character.
56.04-5 Common area objectives Standard C11	 To identify common areas and the purpose for which the area is commonly held. To ensure the provision of common area is appropriate and that necessary management arrangements are in place. To maintain direct public access throughout the neighbourhood street network. 	Complies. Access to each lot will via the individual crossover to common driveway.
56.05-1 ntegrated urban andscape objectives Standard C12	To provide attractive and continuous landscaping in streets and public open spaces that contribute to the character and identity of new neighbourhoods and urban places or to existing or preferred neighbourhood character in existing urban areas. To incorporate natural and cultural features in the design.	Not Applicable The proposed application does not create any public streets or public open space.

	To provide a network of	
56.05-2 Public open space provision objectives Standard C13	quality, well-distributed, multi- functional and cost-effective public open space that includes local parks, active open space, linear parks and trails, and links to regional open space. To provide a network of public open space that caters for a broad range of users. To encourage healthy and	Not Applicable
56.06-2 Walking and cycling network objectives Standard C15	 To contribute to community health and well-being by encouraging walking and cycling as part of the daily lives of residents, employees, and visitors. 	Not Applicable. There are no footpaths in this part of Maldon that directly adjoin or could connect to the subdivision.
56.06-4 Neighbourhood street network objective Standard C17	and easy movement through and between neighbourhoods for pedestrians, cyclists, public transport, and other motor vehicles using the	A new internal road (common driveway) is proposed for new dwellings access. The application was referred to Council Engineering and will be built according to standard.
56.06-5 Walking and cycling network detail objectives Standard C18	cycle path networks that are	Not Applicable. There is no footpath established in this ocality. No new footpaths/cycle paths proposed/no change to existing.
56.06-7 Neighbourhood street network detail objective Standard C20	 To design and construct street carriageways and verges 	Complies. This subdivision will utilize the existing road network.

	neighbourhood street system	
	for all users.	Complies
56.06-8 Lot access objective Standard C21	 To provide for safe vehicle access between roads and lots. 	Access to all lots will be via a proposed nternal road. Direct vehicle access will be via a separate driveway for each lot from the proposed new road.
56.07-1 Drinking water supply pbjectives Standard C22	 To reduce the use of drinking water. To provide an adequate, cost-effective supply of drinking water. 	Subject to conditions. This development will be connected to the reticulated water supply. Coliban Water has specified reticulated water supply to new lot as a condition of an ssued permit.
56.07-2 Reused and recycled water objective Standard C23	 To provide for the substitution of drinking water for non-drinking purposes with reused and recycled water. 	Not Applicable No recycled or reused water system is proposed or required. Water tanks for each dwelling may be required under relevant building regulations relating to sustainability.
56.07-3 Wastewater management objective Standard C24	 To provide a wastewater system that is adequate for the maintenance of public health and the management of effluent in an environmentally friendly manner. 	Subject to conditions Reticulated sewer connection is available in this area. The future dwelling will be connected to sewer. Coliban Water and Goulburn Murray Water nave provided conditions for this subdivision.
56.07-4 Stormwater management objectives Standard C25	 To minimise increases in stormwater and protect the environmental values and physical characteristics of receiving waters from degradation by stormwater. To encourage stormwater 	Subject to conditions Storm water runoff from the site will be treated through a mixture of onsite retention and outfall to the existing drainage infrastructure. Standard conditions relating to drainage engineering requirements including onsite stormwater detention will be placed.
56.08-1	*	Subject to conditions.

Site management objectives Standard C26	contamination.To protect the site and			
• To maximise the opportunities for shared trenching. • To maximise the opportunities for shared trenching. • To minimise constraints or landscaping within street reserves.		Complies. Services will be designed and constructe to link in with existing and proposed facilities, with shared trenching utilised where appropriate. Any services for the existing house will be relocated to be contained entirely within proposed Lots cappropriate easements utilised if required		
56.09-2 Electricity, telecommunications, and gas objectives Standard C28	 To provide public utilities to each lot in a timely, efficient, and cost-effective manner. To reduce greenhouse gas emissions by supporting generation and use of electricity from renewable sources. 	Complies. These services are all available on the site. All essential and expectant infrastructure such as power, water, sewerage and telecommunications will be provided to each lot to the satisfaction of the relevant authority and service providers.		
56.09-3 Fire hydrants objective Standard C29	 To provide fire hydrants and fire plugs in positions that enable fire fighters to access water safely, effectively, and 	Not Applicable No fire hydrant proposed or required for this subdivision as no public roads or open space areas proposed.		
56.09-4 Public lighting objective Standard C30	vehicles.To provide pedestrians with a sense of personal safety at	Not Applicable No public lighting proposed or required for this subdivision as no public roads or open space areas proposed.		



GENERAL

- 1. All dimensions shown are in metres.
- The bushfire protection measures forming part of this permit or shown on the endorsed plans, including those relating to construction standards, defendable space, water supply and access, must be maintained to the satisfaction of the responsible authority on a continuing basis. This condition continues to have force and effect after the development authorised by this permit has been completed.

DEFENDABLE SPACE

- t. The defendable space around future buildings on Lots 2B and 13A, will be for a distance of 50 metres or to the property boundary, whichever is the lesser.
- 4. The defendable space for the new buildings must be managed in accordance with the following requirements within the defined zone:
- Grass must be short cropped and maintained during the declared fire danger period.
- All leaves and vegetation debris must be removed at regular intervals during the declared fire danger period.
- Within 10 metres of a building, flammable objects must not be located close to the vulnerable parts of the building.
- Plants greater than 10 centimetres in height must not be placed within 3m of a window or other glass feature of the building.
- Shrubs must not be located under the canopy of trees.
- Individual and clumps of shrubs must not exceed 5sq metres in area and must be separated by at least 5 metres.
- Trees must not overhang or touch any elements of the building.
- The canopy of trees must be separated by at least 5 metres.
- There must be a clearance of at least 2 metres between the lowest tree branches and ground level.

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

5. The new buildings on the allotments must be designed and constructed to the minimum Bushfire Attack Level of **BAL12.5**

WATER SUPPLY

- 6. The new buildings on Lots 2B and 13A must have 10,000 litres of effective water supply that is maintained and used solely for fire fighting purposes which will meet the following requirements:
 - Stored in an above ground water tank constructed of concrete or metal.
 - · All fixed above-ground water pipes and fittings required for firefighting purposes made of corrosive resistant metal.
 - Include a separate outlet for occupant use (the water supply may be in the same tank as other water supplies provided that a separate outlet is reserved for fire fighting water supplies).
 - Be readily identifiable from the building or appropriate identification signs to the satisfaction of the relevant fire authority
- Be located within 60 metres of the outer edge of the approved building.
- The outlet(s) of the water tank must be within 4 metres of the accessway and unobstructed.
- Incorporate a separate ball or gate valve (British Standard Pipe BSP65mm) and coupling (64mm CFA 3 thread per inch male fitting).
- Any pipework and fittings must be a minimum of 65mm (excluding the CFA coupling).

ACCESS

- 7. Fire authority access to the water supply is required, fire authority vehicles should be able to get within 4 metres of the water supply outlet.
- 8. Access for fire fighting purposes must meet the following requirements:
 - All weather construction.
 - · A load limit of at least 15 tonnes.
- Provide a minimum trafficable width of 3.5 metres.
- Be clear of encroachments for at least 0.5 metres on each side and at least 4 metres vertically.
- Curves must have a minimum inner radius of 10 metres.
- The average grade must be no more than 1 in 7 (8.1°) with a minimum grade no more than 1 in 5 (11.3°) for no more than 50 metres.
- Dips must have no more than a 1 in 8 (7.1°) entry and exit angle.

	BAL	Defendable Space - Table 2, Clause 53.02-5					
		North West	North East	East	South	West	
	BAL 12.5	50 metres	22 metres	19 metres	0 metres	0 metres	





INDICATIVE LOCATION OF WATER TANK

Bushfire Management Plan 7 & 9 Main Road Chewton

Scale A3

1:1000

Co-ordinate Datum

10 0 10 20 30
Lengths are in metres

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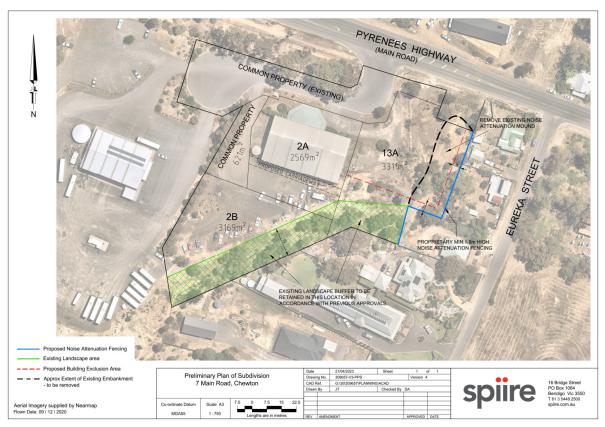
May 7, 2023

CAE Performance (Applicant) c/- Spiire Att: Stephen Pole

Re: 7 Main Road, Chewton - Application to Remove Earth Bunding and Replace with Acoustic Fence

Enfield Acoustics has been engaged to review the application to remove earth bunding along the east boundary of 7 Main Road, Chewton. The Applicant proposes to re-instate the acoustic properties of the earth bund by installing an acoustic fence along the boundary. This assessment is limited to the effectiveness of bunding verses acoustic fencing.

The proposal is shown the plans below provided to our office:



7 Main Road, Chewton

V1445-01-P Tech Memo -Acoustic Fence.docm



Our instructions are that the bund which is proposed to be removed is approximately 2m above natural ground level. The existing permit required a 1.5m high bund along the east boundary:

 a 1.5 metre high noise attenuation embankment with a minimum width of 10 metres or appropriate acoustic fencing on the eastern boundary of the subject land along the full length of proposed lot 4 and Crown Allotments 7 and 7A extended onto the proposed reserve north-east of the site which must be densely planted with large shurbs and small trees;

On this basis we have considered the following:

- 1. Regarding the acoustic performance of bunding versus acoustic fences, we confirm that there is no material difference in the attenuation performance. The effect of an acoustic barrier is primarily a result of the finished height of the barrier. Academic studies have been undertaken on this effect over the years which have shown:
 - a. For an acoustic fence of equal height to an earth bund, an acoustic fence usually performs marginally better (1-2dB) than bunding.
 - b. In some situations where an earth bund has very soft ground, it can perform marginally better (1-2dB).
- 2. The bund was only required to be 1.5m high so it is arguable that only a 1.5m high acoustic fence is all that is required.

To that end, all other things being equal on-site, we are satisfied that the proposed 1.8m high acoustic fence would achieve the same acoustic outcome as the 1.5m bund that was required on the permit. To achieve the same outcome as the existing 2m bund on-site however, it would be prudent to raise the proposed acoustic fence to 2m.

For the fence to be effective, it would need to have a minimum cladding or panel mass of 15kg/m².

We are satisfied that the bund can be replaced with an acoustic fence, where the finished height of the fence is approximately the same as the bund. 1.8m high would be acceptable on the basis of the permit (assuming the bund is not required for non-acoustic reasons). Otherwise the fence can be extended to 2m high to ensure the same performance as existing bunding.

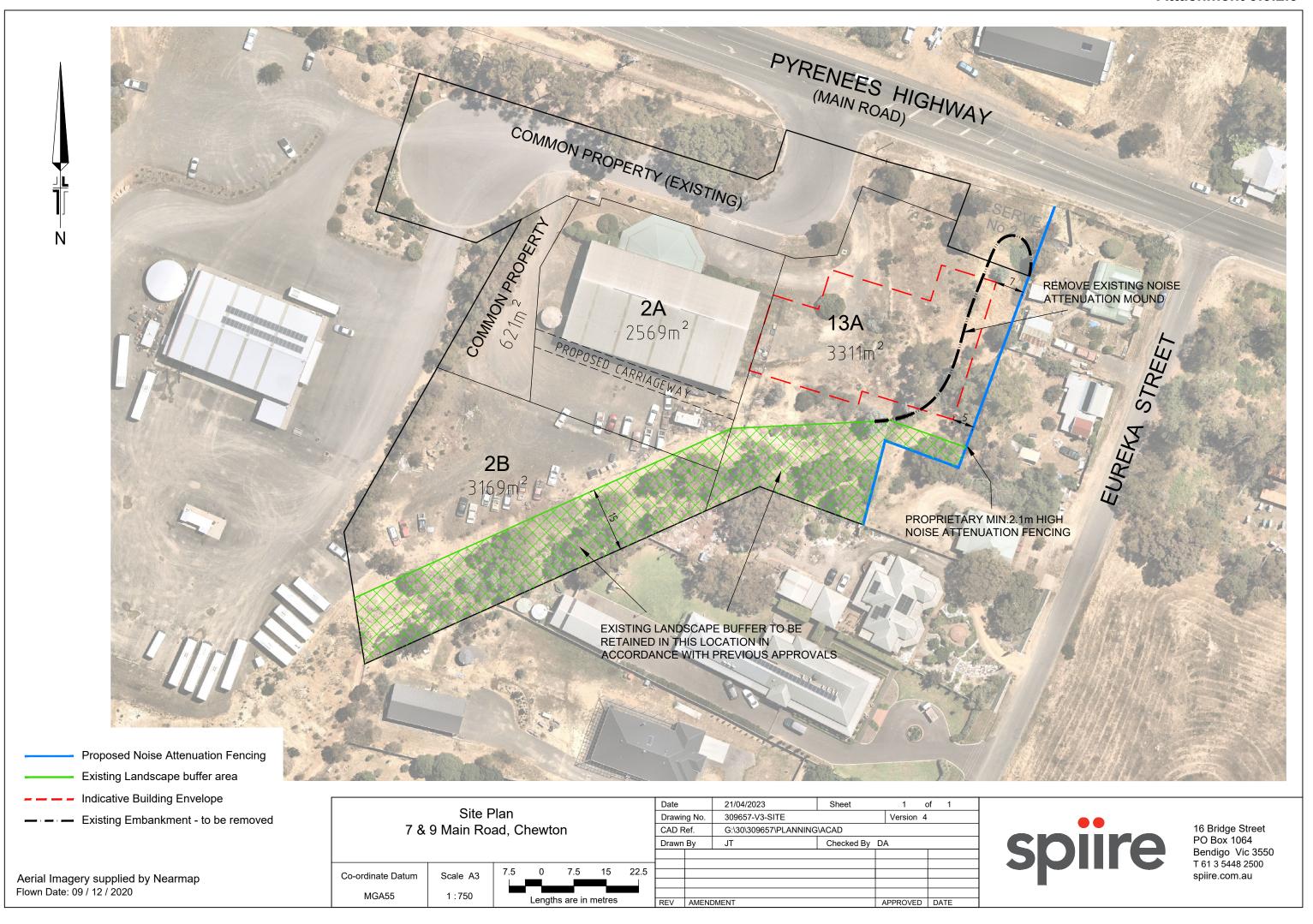
Regards,

Darren Tardio

7 Main Road, Chewton



Director Enfield Acoustics Pty Ltd darren@enfieldacoustics.com.au





The quiet advantage

Our wall panels are constructed from a very strong composite combination of Fibre Cement sheeting surrounding an Expanded Polystyrene core, creating excellent sound deadening properties.

Wallmark has had a complete wall section tested correctly and certified to AS 1191-2002. Testing data sheets and RMIT Transmission Loss Sound Report available on request. The panels can be easily cut or shaped on site using a circular or hand saw.

Technical Details

Mass: 15kg/m2Thickness: 75mm

Height: 900 or 1200mm
Length: up to 3000mm
Acoustic Rating: Rw 28
Wind Region Rating:

2.4m Panel - C2 2.7m Panel - C1 3m Panel - N3

1 The Panel Core (EPS)

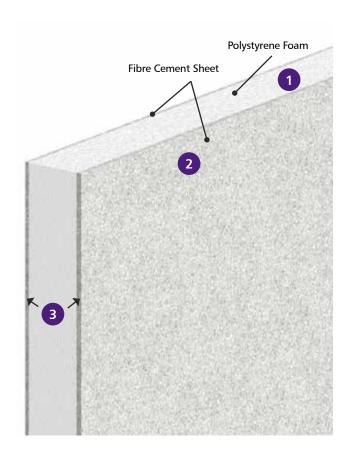
- Superb compressive strength to weight ratio
- · Absorbs minimal water no mould or rotting
- Environmentally friendly, safe and fully recyclable

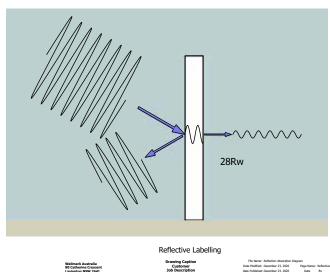
2 The Panel Outer (FC)

- Fire resistant and non-combustible
- · Very strong, impact resistant surface
- Maintenance free will not breakdown
- High durability exterior grade composition
- · Smooth finish easy to apply paint or render

3 The Panel Bond (PU)

- Full surface contact adhesion
- High grade Polyurethane glue
- 10 year guarantee against failure
- Formulated for the Australian climate

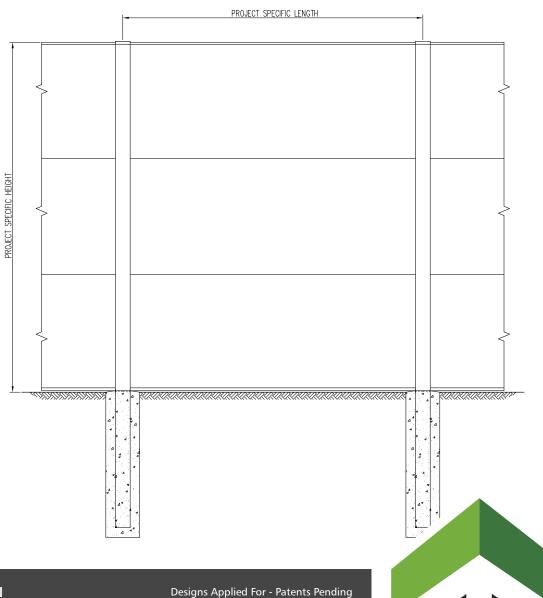




Pre-engineered to the highest standards

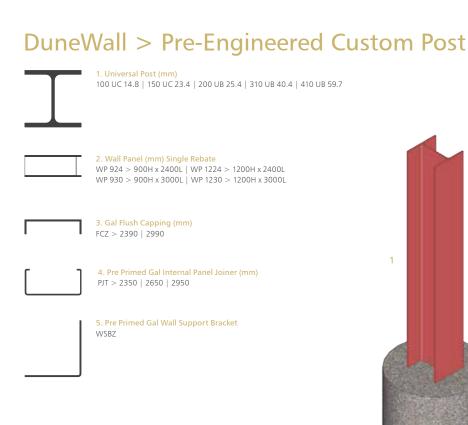
Our range has been engineered to suit a variety of wind regions. This includes wall height, footing sizes and post spacings. Due to the light weight construction of the wall, the footings become narrow piers - easier to dig and using less concrete. No strip footings required. Pre-engineering has been completed on the Dunewall and Evowall posts to retain up to 900mm of soil in various wind regions. Each project can be supplied with a set of detailed drawings to assist in the layout and correct installation with engineering sign-off, if required.

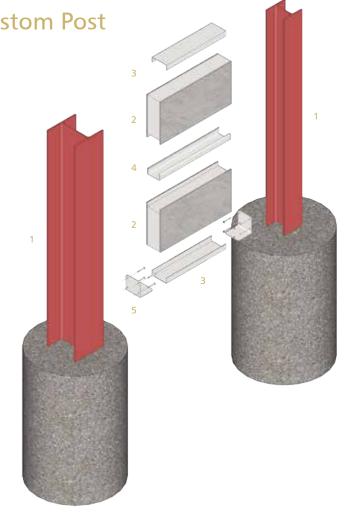




Engineering







Specifications

- Wallmark "DuneWall" Structural Steel System
- Post Spacing 2430 3030mm
- Engineering as per table on back page
- To be installed as per manufactures specification

Maximum Post Height & Wind Regions

Panel	Wall Height (mm)								
Length (mm)								3900	
2400	C2	C2	C2	C2	N3	N3	N2	C1	C1
3000	C2	C2	C1	N3	N3	N2	-	N3	N3

Footing Depths for 350mm Diameter Footing for various Wind Regions

Panel Length (mm)	Wall Height (mm)									
								3900		
	N2 - 600	N2 - 700	N2 -750	N2 - 850	N2 - 950	N2 - 1050	N2 - 1150	N2 - 1200	N2 - 1300	
	N3 - 750	N3 - 850	N3 - 950	N3 - 1050	N3 - 1150	N3 - 1300	-	N3 - 1500	N3 - 1600	
	C1 - 850	C1 - 950	C1 - 1100	C1 - 1250	-	-	-	C1 - 1800	C1 - 1900	
	C2 - 1000	C2 - 1150	C2 - 1300	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	N2 - 650	N2 - 750	N2 - 850	N2 - 950	N2 - 1050	N2 - 1150	-	-	N2 - 1500	
	N3 - 800	N3 - 950	N3 - 1100	N3 - 1200	N3 - 1300	-	-	-	N3 - 1800	
	C1 - 950	C1 - 1100	C1 - 1200	-	-	-	-	-	-	

N2 - 1000 Denotes 350 Diameter x 1000 Deep Footing for Wind Region N2 P1/1.5 Denotes 350ø bore pier, 1500mm deep into firm clay Recommended footing depths are for terrain categories 2, 2.5 & 3





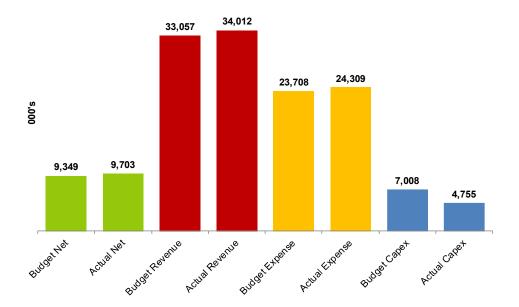


Finance Report

For the period 1 July 2023 – 31 December 2023



Executive Summary



- Overall a favourable year to date performance of \$9.70 million surplus, which is \$353,934 greater than the year to date budget.
- Revenue is favourable at \$954,702 (3%) variance greater than the year to date budget.
- Expenditure is unfavourable at \$600,768 (3%) variance greater than the year to date budget.
- Year to date, capital works program has achieved 68% of budget. This does not
 include the \$5.69 million of commitments raised for capital projects. This variance is
 due to a variety of reasons that are outlined further at section d) of this report.
- Adopted carry forwards are included in these statements.
- Adjusted underlying result (net surplus/deficit excluding non-recurrent capital grants) is currently \$7.74 million surplus compared to YTD budget of \$8.04 million surplus.
- As per Section 363 of the 1989 Local Government Act (Amended), Council has not entered into any environmental upgrade agreements.
- In addition, the second quarterly report of a financial year must include a statement by the Chief Executive Officer as to whether a revised budget is, or may be, required. No material changes to the 2023/24 budget have been identified requiring a revised budget to be adopted.
- Government grants An analysis of grants received compared to total revenue (excluding Roads to Recovery, Victorian Local Government Grants Commission and Aged Care) provides the following:

2021/2022 Actual	18.9%
2022/2023 Actual	12.3%
2023/2024 YTD Budget	5.3%
2023/2024 YTD Actual	8.3%

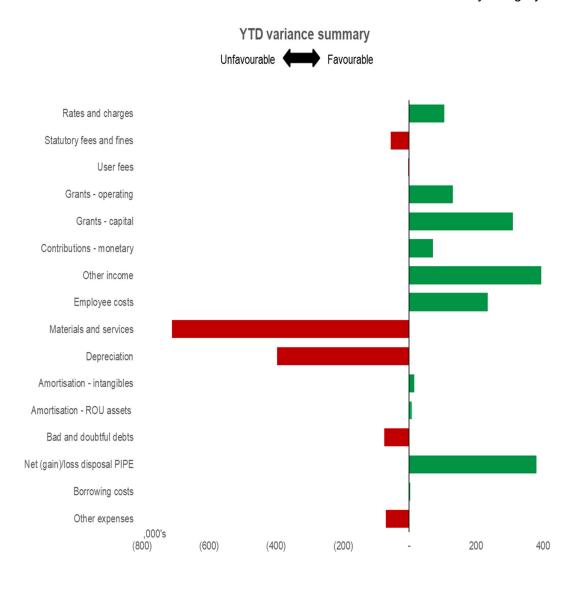
Key Financial Ratios

Indicator	Measure	Budget 2023/2024	YTD Actual	VAGO assessment
Operating position Adjusted underlying result	Adjusted underlying surplus (deficit) / adjusted underlying revenue	-6%	24%	Low
Liquidity Working capital	Current assets / current liabilities	392%	363%	Low
Unrestricted cash	Unrestricted cash / current liabilities	200%	94%	None
Cash holdings	Cash and cash equivalents / total assets	6%	6%	None
Obligations Indebtedness	Non-current liabilities / own source revenue	16%	13%	Low
Cash Management Policy compliance	Investment portfolio complies with Cash Management Policy	Yes	Yes	None
Renewal Gap	Capital renewal + upgrades / depreciation	127%	85%	Medium
Renewal Gap	Capital renewal (excl upgrades) / depreciation	112%	67%	None

Financial sustainability risk indicators—risk assessment criteria

Risk	Net result	Adjusted underlying result	Liquidity	Internal financing	Indebtedness	Capital replacement	Renewal gap
High	Less than negative 10% Insufficient revenue is being generated to fund operations and asset renewal.	>Less than 0% Insufficient surplus being generated to fund operations.	Less than 0.75 Immediate sustainability issues with insufficient current assets to cover liabilities.	Less than 75% Limited cash generated from operations to fund new assets and asset renewal.	More than 60% Potentially long-term concern over ability to repay debt levels from own- source revenue.	Less than 1.0 Spending on capital works has not kept pace with consumption of assets.	Less than 0.5 Spending on existing assets has not kept pace with consumption of these assets.
Medium	Negative 10%-0% A risk of long- term run down to cash reserves and inability to fund asset renewals.	0%-5% Surplus being generated to fund operations.	0.75-1.0 Need for caution with cash flow, as issues could arise with meeting obligations as they fall due.	75–100% May not be generating sufficient cash from operations to fund new assets.	40-60% Some concern over the ability to repay debt from ownsource revenue.	1.0-1.5 May indicate spending on asset renewal is insufficient.	0.5–1.0 May indicate insufficient spending on renewal of existing assets.
Low	More than 0% Generating surpluses consistently.	More than 5% Generating strong surpluses to fund operations.	More than 1.0 No immediate issues with repaying short-term liabilities as they fall due.	More than 100% Generating enough cash from operations to fund new assets.	40% or less No concern over the ability to repay debt from own- source revenue.	More than 1.5 Low risk of insufficient spending on asset renewal.	More than 1.0 Low risk of insufficient spending on asset base.

Year to date favourable/unfavourable variances in the Income Statement by category.



a) Income Statement - Council

Mount Alexander Shire Council



Budget review for the period ended December 2023 **Income & Expenses**

	Adopted	Current						
Actual	Budget	Budget		Budget	Actual	Variance \	/ariance	Ref
2022/2023	2023/2024	2023/2024		YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	
\$,000's	\$,000's	\$,000's		\$,000's	\$,000's	\$,000's	%	
			Income					
26,450	27,473	27,473	Rates and charges	27,463	27,569	105 =	0%	
940	1,351	1,351	Statutory fees and fines	581	527	(54) 🐒	-9%	
1,585	1,460	1,460	User fees	725	723	(2) =	0%	
13,714	8,810	3,064	Grants - operating	1,707	1,837	130 🥪	8%	1
3,860	6,969	10,628	Grants - capital	1,751	2,061	310 🧹	18%	2
1,117	305	305	Contributions - monetary	150	221	71 🥪	48%	
392	1,000	1,000	Contributions - non monetary	-	-	- =	0%	
000			(Increase)/decrease on provision for				00/	
933	-	-	landfill liability Share of net profits (or loss) of	-	-	- =	0%	
_	5	5	associates and joint ventures	_	_	- =	0%	
1,938	1,293		Other income	679	1,074	395 ⊌	58%	3
50,929	48,666	46,579	Total Income	33,057	34,012	955 =	3%	
			Expenses					
17,761	20,009	20 009	Employee costs	10,211	9,976	235 =	2%	
13,597	,	,	Materials and services	7,573	8,280			4
9,005	,		Depreciation	4,448	4,842			
177			Amortisation - intangible assets	103	87		•	
33			Amortisation - right of use assets	67	59	*		
61			Bad and doubtful debts	5	79	ř	-1646%	
01	20	20	Net (gain) or loss on disposal of	J	19	(14)	-104070	
			property, infrastructure, plant and					
1,400	850	701	equipment	332	(49)	380 🧹	115%	6
71	65	65	Borrowing costs	33	30	3 🥪	10%	
7	11	11	Finance costs - leases	1	1	(0) =	-1%	
1,615	1,613	1,616	Other expenses	936	1,005	(68)	-7%	
43,727	43,953	45,973	Total Expenses	23,708	24,309	(601) =	-3%	
7,202	4,713	605	Net Surplus / (Deficit)	9,349	9,703	354 =	-4%	

Reference notes (greater than \$100,000 and 5%):

1. Operating grants are \$130,241 greater than year to date budget due to:

Unbudgeted grants received for:	\$
Mt Tarrengower Road Guardrail Renewal	125,000
Healthy Loddon Campaspe Initiative	100,000
Council COVID-19 RAT program	90,000
Connecting Communities and Builders Program	40,000
Creative Emergency Resilience Lab	20,000
Castlemaine Railway Precinct Conservation Management Plan	14,773
Australia Day Civic Event	12,000

Local Government Workforce Planning	10,440
Total unbudgeted grants received	412,213
Increased grant funding received for:	\$
Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP)	58,134
School crossing services	14,090
Total increased grant funding received	72,224
2023/24 budgeted funding received in 2022/23:	\$
Municipal Emergency Resourcing Program	(120,000)
Community Resilience Recovery Officer Program	(161,462)
Total offset by budgeted funding already received	(281,462)
2023/24 budgeted funding not yet received for:	\$
October 2022 Storm (Essential Infrastructure)	(78,810)
Harcourt Flood Study	(24,000)
Total offset by budgeted funding not yet received	(102,810)

2. Capital grants are \$309,776 greater than year to date budget due to:

Grant income earnt earlier than budgeted; previously set aside as a liability upon receipt	\$
Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve Sports Lighting Upgrade	253,836
Construction of Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve Female Friendly	165,139
Campbells Creek Recreation Reserve-Netball Court Design	159,790
Former Wesleyan Church, Chewton-Yr 1 works-Stage 1	143,111
Temporary change rooms Camp Res and Campbells Creek	129,984
Vaughan Tarilta Low Level Crossing over the Loddon River	45,149
Local Roads Resealing Program	35,310
TIMB 2.0 data modelling tool	28,274
Campbells Creek Off Road Trail	24,707
Total grants earnt earlier than budgeted	985,301

Unbudgeted grants received and earnt for:	\$
LRCI2 - Castlemaine Bot Gardens gates & fountain restoration	32,872
Castlemaine Transfer Station Sorting Space	14,000
Total unbudgeted grants received and earnt	46,872

Budgeted grants not yet received for:	\$
Gravel road resheeting	(376,717)
CSISP Campbells Creek Fryers Road Pathway	(119,028)
Norwood Hill Recreation Reserve - Stage 2	(23,896)
Total offset by budgeted grants not yet received	(519,641)

Grant income received in 2022/23 and set aside; will be	\$
recognised as income when it has been earnt	
Castlemaine Market Building – Stone Restoration Works	(94,373)
Castlemaine and Campbells Creek Flood Levee Banks - Phase 3	(57,633)
Emergency Resilience Trailers	(40,000)
Taradale Youth Space	(22,692)
Total offset by grants received and set aside as not yet earnt	(214,698)

- 3. Other income is greater than budget due to:
 - Investment interest earned is \$312,005 greater than budget reflecting the recent uplift in the official cash rate by the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA).
 - b. Receipt of insurance claims \$21,503 for flood related damage arising from the October 2022 flood event.
- 4. Materials and services are \$707,229 (9%) greater than budget with a \$628,168, overspend in special projects. Further explanation is provided below.



Special projects are \$628,168 greater than budget, mainly due to:

- Underspends across the organisation of \$748,060 in relation to 12 special (or one-off) projects.
- This underspend is offset by \$1.38 million of unbudgeted expenditure incurred year-to-date for the October 2022 flood event. In relation to this event:
 - A total of \$3.2 million in expenditure has been incurred since October 2022.
 - An advance of \$248,324 was made by the Federal Government soon after the event. This amount will be offset against any claims for reimbursement made by Council. To date, \$1.08 million has been claimed from funding agencies who will assess the claims and decide on the amounts to be reimbursed.
 - Further, and final, claims will be compiled and submitted by Council officers over the coming months.
 - A \$500,000 grant was received from the State Government from the flood support fund they established soon after the event for impacted councils across the state.
 - There is still approximately \$310,000 in commitments made for repair works yet to be undertaken.
 - Considering all of the expenditure incurred, or to be incurred, there
 will be out-of-pocket expenses to be incurred by Council. Currently
 this amount is \$137,000; it is expected that this amount will increase,
 however this amount will not be understood until further claims are
 compiled.
- 5. Depreciation is \$393,656 greater than year to date budget. This is due to the 2022/23 asset revaluations, recognised predominantly within the road asset class, the value of which, and its impact on depreciation, was unknown when the budget was adopted.
- 6. Net (gain) or loss on disposal of property, infrastructure, plant and equipment is less than the year to date budget. This net gain is made up of sales proceeds less value of disposals. That is, we have recognised \$74,250 in sales proceeds

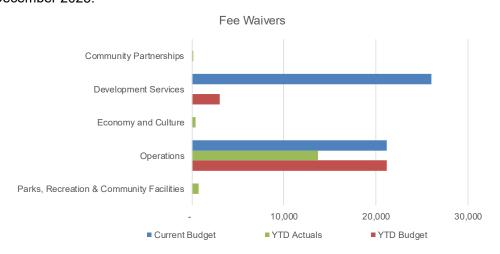
received and \$25,550 in disposals, which equals a net gain of \$48,700 (year to date actual).

b) Fee waivers

Year to date, \$15,006 of fees and charges, have been waived in the regular course of business. These fees comprise the following:

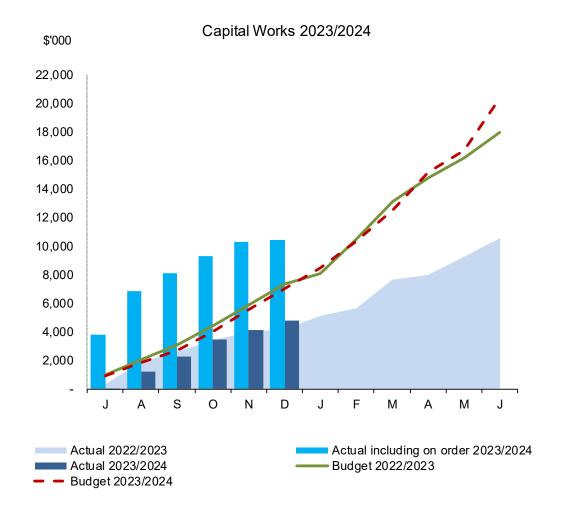
- i. Green waste free disposal period \$13,707
- ii. Phone expense \$744
- iii. Venue hire \$397
- iv. Bus hire \$158

There have also been two fees valued at less than \$100 waived up to 31 December 2023.



c) Capital works to reporting date

Year to date capital expenditure compared to the budget and prior year actuals.



d) Capital works by asset class

Capital expenditure and orders by asset class compared to budget.

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Statement of capital works expenditure

For December 2023

Asset Class	Current Annual Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actuals	YTD Variance	YTD Variance	Ref	Commitments
	\$,000's	\$,000's	\$,000's	\$,000's	%		\$,000's
Bridges	3,830	300	172	129	43%	1	159
Buildings	4,478	2,293	1,441	852	37%	2	2,379
Drainage	3,449	593	120	472	80%	3	374
Footpaths and cycleways	1,075	171	370	(199)	-117%	4	62
Land improvements	331	331	263	68	21%		3
Recreation*	1,902	625	598	28	4%		833
Plant and equipment	1,725	1,030	949	80	8%		1,092
Roads	3,046	1,279	583	696	54%	5	723
Computers and technology	490	368	253	115	31%	6	42
Waste management	18	18	6	12	65%		26
TOTAL_	20,343	7,008	4,755	2,253	32%		5,695

^{*}Recreation includes \$680,550 current budget for Campbells Creek recreation reserve netball court design and construction, with other projects comprising of recreation reserve lighting projects.

Reference notes (greater than \$100,000 and 5%):

Actual capital works expenditure to 31 December 2023 was \$4.76 million, which is \$2.25 million (32%) less than year to date budget.

Summarised below are the status of projects that have significant expenditure variances to budget.

1. Bridges

- a. Timber bridge structural engineering consultant has been engaged on Burgoyne Street Bridge at Vaughan over Fryers Creek. Inspection woks to be completed during February 2024 before construction works can commence. (\$163,562 variance).
- b. The above is partially offset by the low-level crossing project over the Loddon River at Vaughan-Tarilta. Tender interviews have been conducted and financial reviews are currently being undertaken (\$70,930 variance greater than budget).

2. Buildings

- a. Works continue on the construction of Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve female friendly facilities. (\$519,153 variance).
- b. A draft Heritage impact statement is expected to be received in early January 2024 for the Camp Reserve master plan project. (\$139,633 variance).

- c. Works are expected to commence mid-January 2024 on the Castlemaine Market Building stone restoration works. (\$94,374 variance).
- d. Works commenced in early January 2024 on the Taradale Youth Space with equipment soon to be delivered. (\$93,339 variance).

3. Drainage

a. The contract for the design of the Castlemaine and Campbells Creek levees has been awarded. Geotech investigations for National School Lane were undertaken during December 2023. (\$455,982 variance).

4. Footpaths and cycleways

- a. Works have been completed earlier than expected on Gaffney and Reckleben Street footpaths. (\$155,506 variance greater than budget).
- b. Awaiting final design plans before going to market on construction of Campbells Creek Off-road Trail project. Planning permit for vegetation removal has been received. (\$48,429 variance greater than budget).

5. Roads

- a. Road resheeting is scheduled for completion by end-April 2024 (\$262,708 variance).
- b. A range of tenders for the Diamond Gully Road intersection works have either already been awarded or will soon be out to market. (\$139,569 variance).
- c. Tenders to undertake asphalt patching in Frederick Street streetscape upgrade stage 1 2023/24 have been awarded. (\$138,527 variance).
- d. Works are recommencing on Fogartys Gap Road upgrade stage 1. (\$115,142 variance).

6. Computers and technology

- a. Scoping works have been completed and the final bill of materials is currently being developed for the server/network renewal program, with procurement expected in late-January/early-February. (\$84,156 variance).
- b. Scoping of the workstation renewal program is well underway with an order expected to be placed in February. (\$55,133 variance).
- c. This is partially offset by the TIMB 2.0 data modelling tool project. (\$44,091 variance greater than budget).

Planned works (\$5.70 million) on order includes:

Project	\$
Construction of Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve female friendly	1,320,934
changerooms	
Hook lift truck and bins	436,764
Campbells Creek Recreation Reserve-netball courts	434,072
Operational major plant purchases	408,759
Road reseal - Fogarty's Gap Rd - stage 2	406,521
Castlemaine and Campbells Creek flood levee banks - phase 3	347,116
Taradale youth space	322,943
Motor vehicle purchases	246,718
Temporary change rooms Camp Reserve and Campbells Creek	230,513
Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve sports lighting upgrade	211,994
Former Wesleyan church, Chewton-year 1 works-stage 1	209,745
Harcourt Recreation Reserve: floodlighting design & construction	174,698
Diamond Gully roads and intersection	156,380
Castlemaine Market Building – stone restoration works	109,752
Finalisation of Camp Reserve master plan	105,096

e) Balance Sheet

The Balance Sheet shows Council assets, liabilities and equity, including reserves, as at reporting date.

Mount Alexander Shire Council

Balance Sheet As at December 2023



Actual		Actual	Actual		
June 2023		December 2023	December 2022	Variance to prior	Variance to prior
\$'000	Ref	\$'000	\$'000	year \$'000	year %
ASSETS					
Current assets					
8,397 Cash and cash equivalents	1	1,901	3,430	(1,529)	-80%
3,142 Trade and other receivables		16,644	16,058	587	4%
22,750 Other financial assets	1	26,255	28,205	(1,950)	-79
95 Inventories		129	121	9	79
1,615 Other assets	2	1,360	400	960	719
35,999 Total current assets		46,290	48,214	(1,924)	-4%
Non current assets					
Investments in associates, joint arrangements and					
660 subsidiaries		660	659	0	0%
416,470 Property, infrastructure, plant and equipment		416,103	405,533	10,571	3%
520 Right-of-use assets		461	43	418	919
751 Intangible assets		664	808	(143)	-229
418,401 Total non current assets		417,888	407,042	10,845	30
454,400 Total assets		464,178	455,256	8,922	29
LIABILITIES					
Current liabilities					
2,485 Trade and other payables		1,617	1,306	311	199
1,097 Trust funds and deposits		3,045	2,578	467	159
5,255 Unearned income	3	4,584	1,514	3,070	679
3,591 Provisions	4	3,383	8,126	(4,743)	-1409
126 Interest-bearing liabilities		74	99	(25)	-349
107 Lease liabilities		38	6	32	849
12,661 Total current liabilities		12,741	13,629	(888)	-79
Non current liabilities					
1,930 Provisions	4	1,930	2,534	(604)	-319
1,607 Interest-bearing liabilities		1,607	1,733	(126)	-89
418 Lease liabilities		418	38	380	919
3,955 Total non current liabilities		3,955	4,305	(350)	-99
16,616 Total liabilities		16,696	17,934	(1,238)	-79
437,784 NET ASSETS		447,481	437,322	10,160	29
EQUITY					
104,834 Accumulated surplus		112,036	103,184	8,852	89
7,202 Current year net earnings (incl reserve transfers)		22,507	25,702	(3,194)	-149
299,760 Revaluation reserves		299,758	290,067	9,691	3%
25,988 Other reserves	5	13,179	18,369	(5,189)	-39%
437,784 Total equity		447,481	437,322	10,160	29

Reference notes (greater than \$500,000 and 5%):

1. Cash holding balances, including investments are reduced as the landfill cell capping works were completed last financial year.

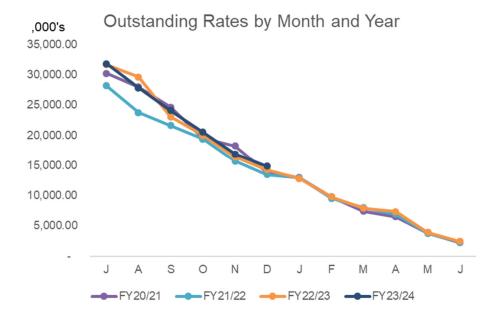
- 2. The increased balance of other assets relates predominately to accrued income expected to be reimbursed from the October 2022 flood event.
- 3. Under the Australian Accounting Standards (AASB15 and AASB1058), unearned income consists of contractual grant funding received in advance where specific performance obligations, such as building of assets and infrastructure, are yet to occur. These funds are required to be held as a liability until these obligations are met, when they will then be recognised as income.
- 4. Recognised decrease to provisions with the landfill cell capping works completed last financial year.
- 5. Reduction in waste reserve balance reflects the landfill cell capping works completed last financial year. This reserve funds operational, capital expenditure and rehabilitation works associated with waste management.

f) Trade and other receivables

By far the greatest source of debt owed to Council is for property rates and charges (at 91%). The table below details amounts paid and outstanding from each of this financial year's instalments. Instalments three and four are not yet due, but ratepayers can choose to pay these in full before the due dates.



Outstanding rates compared to prior years.

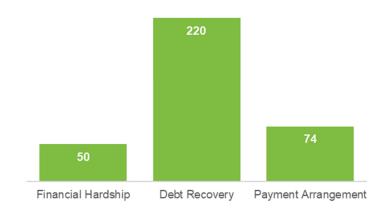


As at 31 December 2023:

- 220 properties are under debt recovery with our collections agency
- 74 properties have an agreed payment arrangement in place under the Revenue and Debt Collection Policy
- 50 properties are receiving support under our Financial Hardship Policy.

Noting that these are not mutually exclusive, as a ratepayer can appear in more than one of the below categories at the same time.

Properties by Policy



g) Cash (including restricted and unrestricted cash)

Cash reserves are made up of cash and cash equivalents of \$1.90 million plus other financial assets, such as term deposits, of \$26.26 million.

Most of this cash has already been allocated for a future use or obligation such as:

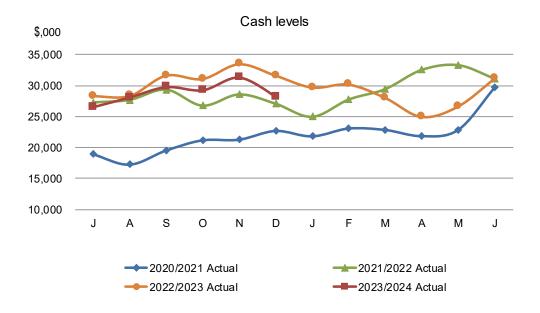
- a. Trust funds and deposits (where the money has to be returned) \$3.05 million.
- b. Unearned income (where we have received the grant funds but have yet to spend the money by performing the specific obligations tied to the funding agreement) \$4.58 million.
- c. Current and non-current provisions, excluding the provision for landfill rehabilitation (we have provided for this expected spend in the waste reserve) \$5.07 million.
- d. Other reserves that are held for statutory or discretionary purposes (including the waste reserve) \$13.18 million.

After considering the above allocations, our available cash is positive, noting that the trust funds, unearned income, provisions and reserves do not all have to be settled immediately:

\$,000 1,901
26,255
28,156
-3,045
-4,584
-5,070
-1,331
11,849
-25,879
2.277

There is no VAGO ratio for this measure.

Cash levels for the year to date in comparison to the last three financial years.



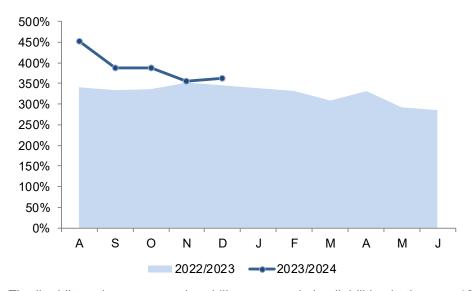
h) Reserve transfers

Transfers to and from reserves are made both during the year and at year-end, when specific criteria, as set out in the Statutory and Discretionary Reserves Policy, are met. Below is a summary of reserve transfers made year to date.

Reserves	Opening Balance	Transfer To	Transfer From	Closing Type of Balance reserve
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Waste	4,919	3,336	(177)	8,078 Discretionary
Open space	722	70		792 Statutory
Energy/water saving	267			267 Discretionary
Uncompleted works	9,875		(9,875)	- Discretionary
Diamond Gully DCP	440	99		539 Statutory
Campbells Creek South DCP	83			83 Statutory
McKenzie Hill (North) DCP	145			145 Statutory
Developer tree planting	41	52		93 Discretionary
General developer contribution	83			83 Discretionary
Swimming pool	3,061			3,061 Discretionary
Unspent grants	6,315		(6,315)	- Discretionary
Gravel rehabilitation	39			39 Discretionary
_	25,989	3,557	(16,367)	13,179

i) Key financial ratios

Liquidity (working capital) - current assets / current liabilities

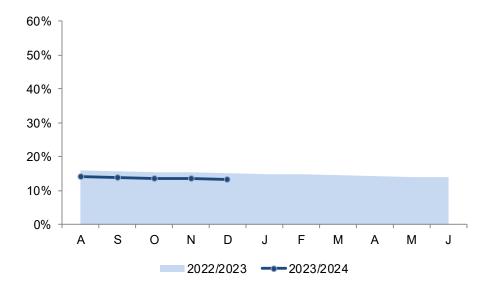


The liquidity ratio measures the ability to pay existing liabilities in the next 12 months. A ratio higher than 100% means there is more cash and liquid assets than short-term liabilities. VAGO accepts a ratio of greater than 100% as low risk.

The ratio is usually high early in the financial year when the rates and charges are struck (which increases current assets by showing a higher debtors balance of amounts owing to Council). It is reduced during the year as Council receives the money and pays it out to cover operational and capital expenditure.

2023/2024 budgeted a liquidity ratio of 392% at 30 June 2024.

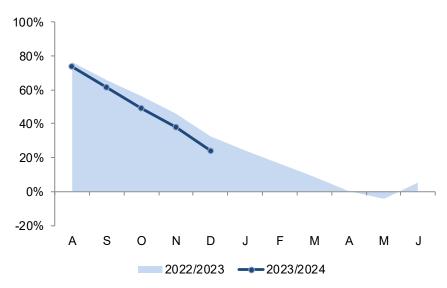
Indebtedness - Non-current liabilities / own source revenue



This ratio assesses the ability of Council to pay the principal and interest on borrowings, as and when they fall due, from the funds it generates (predominately rates and charges). The higher the percentage, the less ability Council has to cover non-current liabilities generated from own source revenues. Own-source revenue is used (rather than total revenue) because it does not include capital grants, which are usually tied to specific projects. VAGO accepts a ratio of less than 40% as low risk.

2023/2024 budgeted a ratio of 16% as at 30 June 2024.

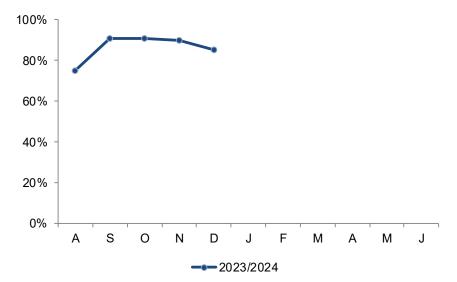
Adjusted underlying result – Adjusted underlying surplus (deficit) / adjusted underlying revenue



This ratio indicates the extent to which Council's operations are sustainable in the longer-term. Ideally, this ratio will always be positive. Large and/or persistent underlying operating deficits indicate Council may not be retaining sufficient funds to maintain infrastructure. VAGO accepts a ratio of more than 5% surplus as low risk. This ratio is adjusted because it does not include capital grants, which are usually tied to specific capital projects.

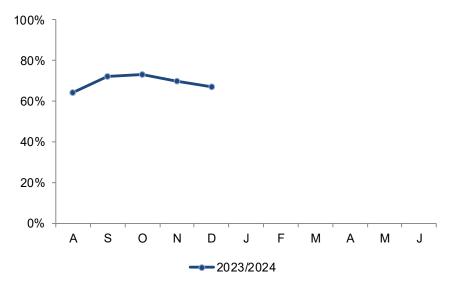
The 30 June 2024 budget for the adjusted underlying result is a deficit of 6%.

Capital renewal gap (capital renewal and upgrade expenditure / depreciation)



This ratio compares the rate of spending on renewing, restoring, upgrading and replacing existing assets (excludes new and expansion costs) against the depreciation expense (which reflects the deterioration of existing assets). Ratios higher than 100% indicate that spending on existing assets is faster than the depreciation rate. VAGO accepts a ratio of greater than 100% as low risk.

Capital renewal gap (capital renewal expenditure only / depreciation)

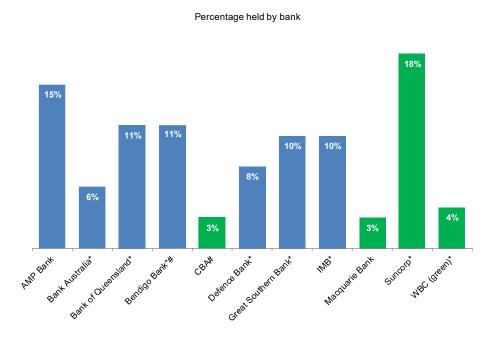


This ratio compares the rate of spending on renewing, restoring and replacing existing assets (excludes new, upgrade and expansion costs) against the depreciation expense (which reflects the deterioration of existing assets). Ratios higher than 100% indicate that spending on existing assets is faster than the depreciation rate. There is no VAGO ratio for this measure.

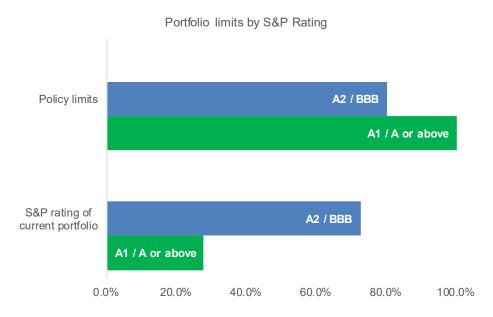
j) Other financial assets

28 investments are held across a number of financial institutions to spread both the portfolio and counterparty credit risk. Banks rated as "A" or above are shown as a green bar, while banks rated "below A" are shown in blue (Standard and Poor's rating scale).

banks that have branches within Mount Alexander Shire
* indicates banks divested from supporting the fossil fuel industry



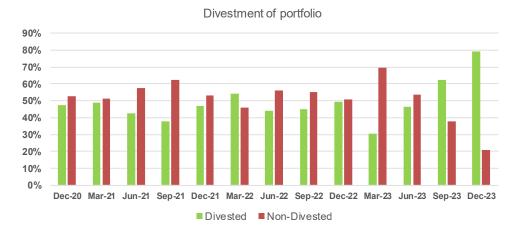
Under the adopted Cash Management Policy, all investments are made relative to the current Standard and Poor's (S & P) credit ratings set. If ratings are downgraded, to continue to comply with the Policy, deposits may need to be withdrawn prior to maturity.



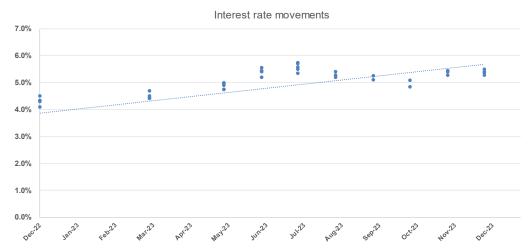
As at 31 December 2023 Council had \$20.76 million (79.05%) invested in financial institutions that support divestment from the fossil fuel industry. This data is

confirmed from the Market Forces website: http://www.marketforces.org.au/banks/compare.

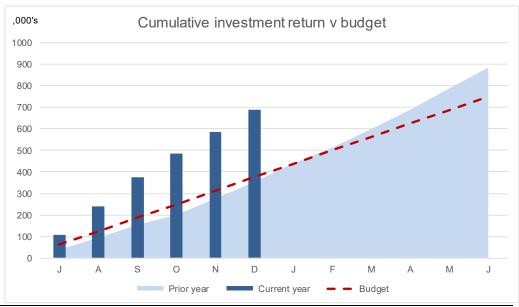
Representation of investments held in institutions that do not support the fossil fuel industries over the last three years are shown below.



Interest rate movements for term deposits lodged since 1 December 2022 are detailed below.



Year to date interest earned on investments compared to budget and prior year.



k) Cash flow statement

Mount Alexander Shire Council



Cash flow statement for the period ended December 2023 **Income & Expenses**

Actual 2022/2023	Adopted Budget 2023/2024		Budget YTD	Actual YTD	Variance V	ariance YTD	Ref
\$,000's	\$,000's		\$,000's	\$,000's	\$,000's	%	
		Cash flows from operating activities					
25,884	,	Rates and charges	15,019	15,407		3%	
940	,	Statutory fees and fines	581	449	(/ 00	-23%	
1,585	1,540	User fees	725	766		6%	
17,633	15,071	Grants - operating and capital	3,458	1,770	() / 👓	-49%	1
1,117	305	Contributions - monetary	150	221	*	48%	
1,179	957	Interest received	375	687	312 🎺	83%	
175	95	Trust funds and deposits (net)	1,948	1,948	0 🕳	0%	
835	363	Other receipts	304	412	108 🎻	35%	
(17,488)	(19,926)	Employee costs	(10,211)	(10,061)	150 🕳	-1%	
(10,589)	(13,242)	Materials and services	(6,705)	(9,075)	(2,370) 🛷	35%	2
(11,326)	486	Other payments	(936)	(1,005)	(68) 🧈	7%	
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9,945	13,357	Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	4,710	1,520	(3,190) 💥	-68%	
		Cash flows from investing activities					
219	340	Sale of fixed assets	233	74	(/ 🙌	-68%	
(11,022)	V 1	Payments for capital works	(7,008)	(4,502)	(2,506) 🧼	36%	3
(10,803)	(16,132)	Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities	(6,774)	(4,428)	2,346 💥	-35%	_
		Cash flows from financing activities					
(78)	(76)	Finance costs of borrowings and leases	(33)	(31)	() 00	-85%	
(236)	(261)	Repayment of borrowings and leases	(62)	(52)	(10) 🎺	16%	_
(314)	(337)	Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities	(95)	(83)	12 💥	-13%	_
(1,172)	· · · · · /	Net increase (decrease) in cash	(2,160)	(2,991)	, , ,	38%	
6,368		Cash at beginning of the financial period	1,514	31,147		1957%	_
5,196	(1,598)	Cash at 31 December 2023	(646)	28,156	28,802 💥	-4459%	

Reference notes (greater than \$500,000 and 5%):

- Year to date grants are lower than budgeted as the cash was received earlier than expected, many in June 2023, and will be spent during 2023/2024. Noting capital grants are assessed when received and treated as a liability until specific performance obligations are met.
- 2. Materials and services are greater than expected with payment of many of the June 2023 invoices occurring in July 2023 and later.
- 3. Capital works are progressing, with accruals recognised in the statements. Refer to section d) for further details.

Glossary

Asset – something that is owned and will benefit the community.

Asset expansion expenditure – expenditure that extends the capacity of an existing asset to provide benefits to new users at the same standard as is provided to existing beneficiaries.

Asset renewal expenditure – expenditure on an existing asset, or on replacing the existing asset, that returns the service capability of the asset to its original capability.

Asset upgrade expenditure – expenditure that enhances an existing asset to provide a higher level of service, or increases the life of the asset beyond its original life.

Bad debt - debt that will not be collected, usually due to the debtor going into bankruptcy or when the cost of pursuing the debt is more than the debt owed.

Borrowing cost – interest and other costs that an entity incurs in connection with borrowing money.

Capital works expenditure – expenditure on non-current assets and includes new assets, asset renewal, asset expansion and asset upgrade.

Current asset – an asset is current when it will be realised, sold or consumed within 12 months after the end of the reporting period.

Current liability - a liability is current when it will be settled within 12 months after the end of the reporting period.

Depreciation – the systematic allocation of the depreciable amount of an asset over its useful life.

Doubtful debt – a debt that might become a bad debt at some point in the future.

Earned value – the value of work actually completed to date. It is calculated using the actual percentage of work completed to date multiplied by the project budget. The basic principle of earned value management (EVM) is that the value of the works completed is equivalent to the funding of that work.

Expense – is an outflow of cash or an increase in a liability, such as a creditor.

Equity – the residual interest in the assets of the entity after deducting all of its liabilities.

Financial asset – an asset such as cash or a debt that can be collected.

Financial performance indicators – a prescribed set of indicators and measures that assess the effectiveness of financial management in a council covering operating position, liquidity, obligations, stability and efficiency.

Financial resources – income, expenditure, assets, liabilities, equity, cash and capital works required to deliver the services and initiatives in the budget.

Income – in an inflow of cash or an increase in an asset, such as a debtor.

Initiatives – actions that are one-off in nature and/or lead to improvements in service.

Interest bearing loans and borrowings – financial liabilities other than current trade payables on normal credit terms e.g. a loan from a bank.

Liability – something that is owed and is required to be paid by the entity.

Net assets - total assets less total liabilities.

New asset expenditure – expenditure that creates a new asset that provides a service that does not currently exist.

Non-financial resources – the resources other than financial resources required to deliver the services and initiatives in the budget e.g. people.

Non-monetary contribution – non-current asset such as land, roads, footpaths or drains, which are transferred to a council for no monetary consideration by a developer at the conclusion of a property development.

Provision – a liability of uncertain timing or amount.

Revenue – income.

Services – assistance, support, advice and other actions undertaken by a council for the benefit of its local community.

Statement of capital works – a statement that shows all capital expenditure of a council in relation to non-current assets, as well as asset expenditure type e.g. new, renewal, upgrade or expansion.

Strategic resource plan – a plan of the financial and non-financial resources required by the council for the next four years to achieve its strategic objectives.



Quarterly Annual Plan Report 2023/2024 - Q2

The Annual Plan outlines the actions for 2023/2024 that will implement priorities from the Council Plan 2021-2025. It was adopted by Council on 18 July 2023.

This report provides a quarterly update on the progress of each action.

The actions have been presented under each of the pillars:

>> OUR PRINCIPLES

We are engaging genuinely with our community; we are always improving; we are delivering together

>> OUR COMMUNITY

A healthy, connected, and inclusive community

>> OUR ENVIRONMENT

A flourishing environment for nature and people

>> OUR ECONOMY

A resilient and growing local economy



OUR PRINCIPLES

We are engaging genuinely with our community

We are always improving

Council is responsive to the needs of the communities it serves

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
AP24-1	Service Review	Develop a process to review organisational service capability	\$49,500	Council	30/06/2024	Commenced	25%		The tender for development of the service review documentation has been advertised.

OUR COMMUNITY

A healthy, connected, and inclusive community

Services in our community are accessible and coordinated

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
AP24-2	Goldfields Corporation Library Plan	Implement relevant actions from the Goldfields Library Plan 2021-2025	Operating	Council	30/04/2024	Commenced	80%		Actions in the Library Plan have been addressed in the Early Years Plan, Middle Years Plan, Council Plan, and Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan.
AP24-3	Chewton Community- based Bushfire Management	Partner with the CFA and members of the Chewton community to build emergency resilience toward bushfire risk associated with Chewton and the Chewton	Operating	Council	31/05/2024	Ongoing	50%		Annual engagement is underway between the CFA, Chewton Bushlands community members, and Council.

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
		Bushlands area							
AP24-4	Public Art - Western Reserve Fence Mural	A community driven and produced mural along the fence in Western Reserve.	\$50,000	Regional Arts / Creative Vic	30/06/2024	Commenced	30%		Artists have been shortlisted to deliver a mural at the Norwood Hill playground. External funding is being sought.

Our community is inclusive and connected

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
AP24-5	Reconciliati on Plan 2023-2026	Adopt a new Reconciliation Plan.	Operating	Council	31/10/2023	Completed	100%	November 2023	The Plan was adopted at the November 2023 Meeting of Council.
AP23-2	Connecting walking and cycling trails	Completion of the Campbells Creek walking and cycling trail	\$927,480	State Government, Council	30/06/2024	Commenced	40%		Detailed design is being finalised. Land Use Activity Agreement negotiations have commenced.
AP23-3	Walking and Cycling Strategy	Adopt the Active Transport	Operating	Council	30/11/2023	Completed	100%	19/09/2023	The Strategy was adopted at the September 2023

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
		Strategy and commence first year actions.							Meeting of Council.
AP24-6	Gender Equity Training	Train Councillors and staff to build a greater understanding of implicit bias, equity, access and inclusion.	Operating	Council	30/04/2024	Commenced	45%		Staff and Councillors were invited to a presentation given by the Public Sector Gender Equality Commissioner in November 2023. Organisational Gender Equality Survey completed in December 2023.

Our community feels safe, regardless of identity or circumstance

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
AP24-7	Prevention of Domestic and Gender- based Violence	Implement relevant actions from the Women's Health Loddon Mallee CARE	Operating	Council	30/06/2024	Commenced	75%		Support for CARE Stewardship partnership with Women's Health Loddon Mallee

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
		Stewardship Strategic Plan.							and 16 Days of Activism initiative continues to raise awareness of Family Violence issues.

Our community is supported to be physically and mentally healthy

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completio n Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
AP23- 10	Improving road safety	Completion of Fogartys Gap Road stage 1 upgrade	\$1.2 million	Council / Federal Government	30/04/2024	Ongoing	60%		Works will commence in mid-January 2024.
AP23-1	Disability Inclusion Action Plan	Adopt a Disability Inclusion Action Plan and implement year one actions, including establishment of a Disability Inclusion Action Plan Advisory Group	\$15,000	Council	31/05/2024	Completed	100%	19/09/2023	The Disability Inclusion Action Plan was adopted at the September 2023 Meeting of Council with implementation currently being developed.

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completio n Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
AP24-8	Healthy Loddon Campaspe	Implementation of Healthy Loddon Campaspe Stage 2 Activation - Healthy Eating.	Operating	Council	30/06/2024	Commenced	50%		Stage 2 projects developed and are in progress.

OUR ENVIRONMENT

A flourishing environment for nature and people

We are working locally to address the climate emergency

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
AP24-9	Local Carbon Offsetting	In collaboration with other councils, support the North Central Catchment Management Authority to commence a pilot project to test the feasibility of a larger local offsetting project	\$30,000	Council	30/06/2024	Commenced	20%		The Community Carbon Pilot Project has commenced with the NCCMA and neighboring councils.

We are maintaining, improving and celebrating our places and spaces

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
AP24- 10	Frederick Street Streetscape Redevelopment,	Streetscape improvement works	\$660,000	Council	30/06/2024	Commenced	5%		Asphalt patching is scheduled for

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
	Stage 1 – Construction	incorporating pedestrian and vehicle shared use facilities, new paving, plantings and beautification through Mostyn to Lyttleton Streets in Castlemaine							February 2024, with no further works planned; remaining development works are reliant on grant funding.
AP24- 11	Planning Scheme Review	Complete the Mount Alexander Planning Scheme Review	Operating	Council	30/06/2024	Commenced	25%		Draft report being finalised for internal review.

Our community is growing in harmony with nature

Ye	ear	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
AF 4	P23-	Bridge construction	Commence construction of the Vaughan- Tarilta low- level bridge	\$1.2 million	Federal Government	30/06/2024	Commenced	30%		Tender evaluation for the construction contract is underway. The Cultural Heritage Management

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
									Plan has been completed and approved. Negotiation for a Land Use Activity Agreement to be finalised.
AP23- 9	Improving community facilities	Detailed design of the Camp Reserve Pavilion and associated hardcourts	\$400,000	Council	31/12/2022	Ongoing	45%		All technical reports have been procured to support planning permit preparation.
AP24- 13	Improvements to the Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve	Commence construction of an all-gender pavilion for netball and tennis, and upgrade sports lighting for AFL and netball.	\$2.2 million	Council / Sport Recreation Victoria / Federal Govt	30/06/2024	Commenced	5%		Building works commenced in December 2023. Project completion scheduled for 30 June 2024.
AP24- 14	Taradale Youth Space	Repurposing a disused tennis court into a youth space with pump track, basketball hoop and	\$510,000	Council / Sport Recreation Victoria	30/04/2024	Commenced	20%		Construction of youth space to commence in mid-January 2024. Project completion

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
		netball ring, and space for scooting, skating and cycling.							scheduled for 30 April 2024.
AP24- 15	Upgrade to Facilities at the Harcourt Recreation Reserve	Upgrade sports lighting at the reserve.	\$352,182	Council / Sport Recreation Victoria / Harcourt Football Netball Club	30/06/2024	Commenced	90%		All construction works complete. Lights to be commissioned in January/February 2024. Project completion scheduled for April 2024.
AP24- 16	Norwood Hill Reserve Upgrades	Completion of stages 2 and 3 of the Norwood Hill Masterplan to include delivery of youth space to include basketball hoop, netball ring, hit up wall and parkour, closure of Lawrence Drive and new plantings.	\$358,434	Council / Sport Recreation Victoria	31/12/2023	Completed	100%	December 2023	Norwood Hill Youth Space and landscaping completed and opened to public in December 2023.

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
AP24- 17	Castlemaine - Campbells Creek Levee Improvements (multi-year project)	Design and improvement work to the following levees: - National School Lane (complete construction) - Elizabeth Street (commence construction) - Castlemaine Cabin and Van Park (finalise design) - Campbells Creek Township (finalise design).	\$2.2 million	Council / Federal Govt	30/06/2024	Commenced	20%		The works for all locations are currently in the investigation and design phase. All levee designs are anticipated to be completed by the last quarter of 2023/24.
AP23- 5	Waste Strategy	Adopt a Waste Strategy	Operating	Council	31/03/2024	Completed	100%	21/11/2023	The Waste Strategy was adopted at the November 2023 Meeting of Council.

We are focused on the housing affordability challenge in our community

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
AP24- 12	Affordable Housing	Progress preferred affordable	\$255,019	Council	30/06/2024	Ongoing	50%		The following activities are progressing:
		housing options							Templeton Street development with Haven Home Safe.
									49-year ground leases with Wintringham Housing at two sites in Maldon and Newstead have been approved.
									Potential development of State Government sites.
									Key-worker housing proposal with developer.

We are facilitating managed growth of our towns while protecting natural assets

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
AP23- 6	Industrial land review	Prepare a draft Industrial Land Strategy	\$100,000	Council	30/06/2024	Commenced	40%		Industrial land use discussion paper prepared.
AP24- 18	Rural Living Assessment	Undertake a Shire-wide Rural Living Assessment and complete a first draft	Operating	Council	30/06/2024	Commenced	20%		The scope of the Rural Living Assessment is currently being finalised.

OUR ECONOMY

A resilient and growing local economy

We are helping businesses make their work simpler and more sustainable

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
AP23- 8	Economic Development Strategy	Adopt an Economic Development Strategy	\$68,750	Council	31/01/2024	Commenced	35%		Project underway and due for completion in August 2024.

We are attracting and building investment in our cultural and creative community

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
AP24- 20	Host the Mount Alexander Business Awards	Acknowledge the Achievements of Local Businesses	\$45,000	Council / Sponsorships	31/12/2023	Completed	100%	15/11/2023	The business awards were held in November 2023.

We are supporting continuous learning and personal growth

Year	Project Name	Description	Budget	Funding source	Target Completion Date	Status	Progress	Date Completed	Comments
AP23- 7	Middle Years Plan	Adopt a new Middle Years Plan	Operating	Council	30/09/2023	Completed	100%	19/09/2023	The plan was adopted at the September 2023 Meeting of Council.
AP24- 19	Education Pathways	Working in partnership with local training and education providers to boost education and training opportunities.	Operating	Council	30/06/2024	Commenced	45%		Council's youth team have continued to provide training and development opportunities in the Mondo Lounge School Holiday program.