Shire of Meekatharra
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Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes

Venue	Council Chambers 75 Main Street, Meekatharra
Date	Saturday 17 October 2026
Time	11.30am

Confirmation of Minutes
These minutes were confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings on Saturday 21 October 2026.

Name Signature

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Shire of Meekatharra
Ordinary Council Meeting

Please be advised an Ordinary Council Meeting will be held at 11.30 am Saturday 17 October 2026 in the Shire of Meekatharra Council Chambers, 75 Main Street, Meekatharra.

N Cain
Chief Executive Officer
12 October 2026

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1 Declaration of opening

The Shire President declared the meeting open at 11.30am.

2 Attendance

2.1 Present

Council Members

H Nichols	Shire President
M Smith	Deputy Shire President
B Day	Councillor
M Anderson	Councillor
J Holden	Councillor
A Moses	Councillor
M Hall	Councillor

Employees

N Cain	Chief Executive Officer
A Giometti	Deputy Chief Executive Officer
P Chhunzom	Manager Community
D McKinley	Manager Works
F Anderson	Coordinator Executive Services

Guests

Nil

Members of the Public

Nil

Members of the Media

Nil

2.2 Apologies

Nil

2.3 Approved Leave of Absence

Nil

3 Applications for Leave of Absence

Moved	**B Day**
Seconded	**M Hall**

That Council grant leave of absence to Councillor Holden for the meeting on Saturday 21 November 2026 and 18 December 2026.

Vote Outcome	**Carried 7/0**
For	**H Nichols, M Smith, B Day, M Anderson, J Holden, A Moses, M Hall**
Against	**-**
Variation Reason	**-**

Interest Declarations by Members

Under section 5.67 of the Act, a member declaring an Impartiality, Proximity or Financial interest must disclose the nature of the interest in writing either prior to the meeting, or at the meeting immediately before the matter is discussed. The member is prohibited from participating in decisions on the matter in which they have the interest unless the disclosing member is permitted to do so under Section 5.68 or Section 5.69 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

Nil

4 Question time

Nil

5 Petitions / Deputations / Presentations

Nil

6 Presiding Member Announcements

The Shire President attended the Spirit of Meekatharra Festival which he stated was well attended and enjoyable.

7 Confirmation of Minutes

7.1 Ordinary Council Meeting – Saturday 12 September 2026

Recommendation

That the minutes from the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Saturday 12 September 2026 be confirmed.

Council Resolution

Resolution	**26/083**
Moved	**M Smith**
Seconded	**J Holden**

That the minutes from the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Saturday 12 September 2026 be confirmed.

Vote Outcome	**Carried 7/0**
For	**H Nichols, M Smith, B Day, M Anderson, J Holden, A Moses, M Hall**
Against	**-**
Variation Reason	**-**

8 Committee Minutes and Recommendations

Nil

9 Council Member Motions

Nil

10 Reports

As follows -

10.1 Schedule of Payments – September 2026

File Reference	**FM.RP.001**
Author	**A Giometti, Deputy Chief Executive Officer**
Author's Interest	**Nil**
Authoriser	**A Giometti, Deputy Chief Executive Officer**
Authoriser's Interest	**Nil**
Applicant / Respondent	**Nil**
Report Date	**6 October 2026**

Summary

Council is required to consider a Schedule of Payments which is to be produced each month and is to contain relevant information regarding outgoing monies.

The purpose of this Report is to present the relevant information.

Council is requested to accept the Schedule of Payments, as presented.

Attachments

10.1.1 Schedule of Payments – September 2026

Background

The *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* requires Shire officers, monthly and within a prescribed period, to prepare a schedule of payments made from the Municipal Fund and the Trust Fund and present this to Council for confirmation.

Additionally, where credit, debit, or other purchasing cards are used, details regarding their use are also to be reported each month.

Each instance of outgoing monies is to be reported and include the –

- Payee,
- Payment amount,
- Date, and
- Sufficient information to identify the transaction.

Comment

Shire officers have prepared the Monthly Schedule of Payments, in accordance with legislative requirements.

Following is a summary of the payments incurred in the month under review –

Payments from Accounts

• Municipal Account	$691,941.09
• Trust Account	$0.00
Total Payments from Accounts	$691,941.09

Payments Using Purchasing Cards

• Credit Cards	$4,345.37
• Fuel Cards	$2,086.08
Total Payments Using Purchasing Cards	$6,431.45

The Monthly Schedule of Payments is attached.

Consultation

Shire Officers

Statutory Implications

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996
Regulation 13 Payments from municipal fund or trust fund by Chief Executive Officer, Chief Executive Officer's duties as to etc.
Where the Chief Executive Officer has been delegated the exercise of power to make payments from the Municipal Fund or the Trust Fund, a list of accounts authorised for payment by the Chief Executive Officer is to be presented each month to Council.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1996
Regulation 13A Payments by employees via purchasing cards
If a local government has credit, debit, or credit card/s, a list of payments made using the card/s is to be presented each month to Council.

Policy Implications

Shire of Meekatharra Policy Manual 2023
04.02 Purchasing and Procurement
Shire officers will undertake purchasing activities which align with strategic and operational objectives, meet value for money objectives, and meet defined thresholds, quotation requirements, and practices.

Financial Implications

Payments included in the Schedule have been undertaken in accordance with appropriate processes and the Annual Budget.

Risk Implications

Risk is managed using financial controls and the regular internal review of the information contained within each payment.

Strategic Implications

Strategic Community Plan 2026
Leadership and Governance – Maintain sound financial management, ensuring sustainability, accountability and long-term resilience.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Recommendation

That Council, pursuant to Regulation 13 and Regulation 13A of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, confirms the Schedule of Payments, as attached, for September 2026.

Council Resolution

Resolution	**26/084**
Moved	**M Anderson**
Seconded	**A Moses**

That Council, pursuant to Regulation 13 and Regulation 13A of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, confirms the Schedule of Payments, as attached, for September 2026.

Vote Outcome	**Carried 7/0**
For	**H Nichols, M Smith, B Day, M Anderson, J Holden, A Moses, M Hall**
Against	**-**
Variation Reason	**-**

Attachment

10.1.1 Schedule of Payments – September 2026

List of Accounts Due and Submitted to Committee

Chq/EFT	Date	Name	Description	Amount
EFT25085	02/09/2026	Lotterywest	Application Fee Purchasing an Existing Outlet - Meekatharra	$999.50
EFT25086	04/09/2026	ABCO Products	Sharps Container 1.4L x 15	$331.36
EFT25087	04/09/2026	Atlas Iron Pty Ltd	Rate Refund	$487.95
EFT25088	04/09/2026	BOC Gases	Gas and Bottle Charges	$54.79
EFT25089	04/09/2026	Ben Jones	Rate Refund	$36.31
EFT25090	04/09/2026	Broadcast Australia (BAI Communications)	Power Recovery 6SAT - 6FMS	$322.45
EFT25091	04/09/2026	Bunnings Group Limited	Festival Tables	$3,363.49
EFT25092	04/09/2026	Canine Control	Ranger Services	$4,869.19
EFT25093	04/09/2026	Cardiac Defibrillators Pty Ltd	1 AED Fully Automatic Defib	$1,630.20
EFT25094	04/09/2026	Child Support Agency	Employment Expenses	$403.37
EFT25095	04/09/2026	Creative Catering	Festival Catering Long Dining	$28,376.00
EFT25096	04/09/2026	Dalwallinu Concrete Pty Ltd - Dallcon	Tie Down Blocks for Festival	$10,153.00
EFT25097	04/09/2026	Deki Dema	Staff Reimbursement	$169.07
EFT25098	04/09/2026	Duketon Mining Limited	Rate Refund	$3,161.06
EFT25099	04/09/2026	Eleonora Zibetti	Staff Reimbursement	$681.03
EFT25100	04/09/2026	Elite Electrical Contracting	Electrical Services	$2,140.44
EFT25101	04/09/2026	IT Vision Software Trading as ReadyTech	Computer System Management	$9,691.00
EFT25102	04/09/2026	Impact Minerals Limited	Rate Refund	$4,904.28
EFT25103	04/09/2026	Joanne Maree Krumin	Weekly Payments	$6,000.00
EFT25104	04/09/2026	Lauren Hope Atkin	Rate Refund	$287.45
EFT25105	04/09/2026	Lency Piva	Staff Reimbursement	$59.97
EFT25106	04/09/2026	Lo-Go Appointments	Employment Recruitment and Hire	$1,718.82
EFT25107	04/09/2026	Market Creations Agency Pty Ltd	Website Management and Marketing	$158.40
EFT25108	04/09/2026	Marketforce Pty Ltd (Omnicom Media Group Australia)	Advertising	$1,151.80
EFT25109	04/09/2026	McDonalds Wholesalers	Bottled Water	$679.30
EFT25110	04/09/2026	Meekatharra Community Resource Centre	Lloyds Conference Room	$100.00
EFT25111	04/09/2026	Meekatharra Truck Tyre Service	Plant and Equipment	$924.00
EFT25112	04/09/2026	Midwest Windscreens Pty Ltd	Vehicle Repairs	$2,451.90
EFT25113	04/09/2026	Moore Australia WA Pty Ltd	Consultancy Services	$440.00
EFT25114	04/09/2026	Northampton Grader Hire	Transport Cat 150 Grader	$7,482.75
EFT25115	04/09/2026	Optima Press	Stationery	$1,263.90
EFT25116	04/09/2026	Paywise Pty Ltd	Employment Expenses	$525.61
EFT25117	04/09/2026	Perfect Computer Solutions Pty Ltd (PCS)	Computer System Management	$1,275.00
EFT25118	04/09/2026	Peter Lachlan Lyon	Rate Refund	$211.92
EFT25119	04/09/2026	RMH Mechanical Pty Ltd	Plant and Equipment Servicing and Parts	$445.50
EFT25120	04/09/2026	Shire of East Pilbara	Regulatory Services	$18,333.32
EFT25121	04/09/2026	Skippers Aviation Pty Ltd	Monarch Training	$1,525.70
EFT25122	04/09/2026	State Library of WA	Better Beginnings Books 2026-27	$73.13
EFT25123	04/09/2026	Sydney Tools (Geraldton)	Depot Items	$4,500.00
EFT25124	04/09/2026	The Luscombe Syndicate	Youth Centre Items	$298.00
EFT25125	04/09/2026	Toll Transport Pty Ltd (Team Global Express)	Freight Services	$68.53
EFT25126	04/09/2026	Work Health Professionals	Workhealth	$1,359.60
EFT25127	04/09/2026	Wynne Mandy (Sole Trader)	Accounting Services	$8,353.29
EFT25128	10/09/2026	ABCO Products	Cleaning Items	$331.07

EFT25129	10/09/2026	Anderson Felicity	Staff Reimbursement	$1,667.87
EFT25130	10/09/2026	Armstrong Industries WA Pty Ltd	Rate Refund	$131.37
EFT25131	10/09/2026	Australia Post	Postage Services	$463.68
EFT25132	10/09/2026	Breeze Connect Pty Ltd	Information Communication & Technology	$114.35
EFT25133	10/09/2026	Brendan Hall Carpentry Pty Ltd	Carpentry Services	$1,320.00
EFT25134	10/09/2026	Child Support Agency	Employment Expenses	$403.37
EFT25135	10/09/2026	Eleonora Zibetti	Staff Reimbursement	$691.14
EFT25136	10/09/2026	Elite Electrical Contracting	Electrical Services	$1,097.26
EFT25137	10/09/2026	Geraldton Mower & Repair Specialists	Parts	$398.00
EFT25138	10/09/2026	Hawker Geological Services Pty Ltd	Rate Refund	$1,852.28
EFT25139	10/09/2026	IGA Meekatharra	August Statement	$2,184.35
EFT25140	10/09/2026	Joanne Maree Krumin	Weekly Payments	$3,000.00
EFT25141	10/09/2026	Lo-Go Appointments	Employee Recruitment	$3,256.71
EFT25142	10/09/2026	Meekatharra GP Clinic (PSM Country Health Pty Ltd)	Medical	$218.02
EFT25143	10/09/2026	Mid Western Arts	Festival Activities	$1,650.00
EFT25144	10/09/2026	Norris & Hyde Pty Ltd	Information Communication & Technology	$79.95
EFT25145	10/09/2026	Paywise Pty Ltd	Staff Expenses	$525.61
EFT25146	10/09/2026	Pema Chhunzom	Staff Reimbursement	$507.54
EFT25147	10/09/2026	Perfect Computer Solutions Pty Ltd (PCS)	Computer System Management	$255.00
EFT25148	10/09/2026	Radman Mining Pty Ltd	Rate Refund	$2,720.52
EFT25149	10/09/2026	Refuel Australia (Geraldton Fuel)	Bulk Fuel	$55,304.01
EFT25150	10/09/2026	Talis Consultants	Engineering Services	$2,750.00
EFT25151	10/09/2026	Telstra Limited	Mobiles and Landlines	$1,113.72
EFT25152	10/09/2026	Western Independent Foods	Freight Services	$48.25
EFT25153	10/09/2026	Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation	Bond Refund	$580.00
EFT25154	18/09/2026	Adrian Moses	Council Member Payments	$690.33
EFT25155	18/09/2026	Barkley Day	Council Member Payments	$1,353.70
EFT25156	18/09/2026	Cemeteries & Crematoria Association of Western Australia	Membership	$130.00
EFT25157	18/09/2026	Cloutz Event Hire	Festival Activities	$73,160.07
EFT25158	18/09/2026	Commercial Hotel	Meals and Refreshments	$1,386.00
EFT25159	18/09/2026	Department of Human Services - Services Australia (Centrepay)	Centrepay Deductions	$60.39
EFT25160	18/09/2026	First Artists Australia Pty Ltd	Festival Activities	$3,025.00
EFT25161	18/09/2026	Frank Kruse	Dust Contribution	$100.00
EFT25162	18/09/2026	Geraldton Mower & Repair Specialists	Parts	$198.00
EFT25163	18/09/2026	Geraldton Party Hire	Festival Activities	$15,745.84
EFT25164	18/09/2026	Golf Sim Hire	Festival Activities	$3,100.00
EFT25165	18/09/2026	Harvey James Nichols	Council Member Payments	$4,241.67
EFT25166	18/09/2026	Herseys Safety Pty Ltd	Depot Items	$1,914.59
EFT25167	18/09/2026	Joanne Maree Krumin	Weekly Payments	$3,000.00
EFT25168	18/09/2026	Judith Christine Holden	Council Member Payments	$690.33
EFT25169	18/09/2026	Lite Industries	Cemetery Grave Shield	$8,491.05
EFT25170	18/09/2026	Lo-Go Appointments	Employee Recruitment	$949.87
EFT25171	18/09/2026	Local Government Professionals Australia	Staff Training	$1,490.00
EFT25172	18/09/2026	Lock, Stock & Farrell	Parts and Supplies	$79.50
EFT25173	18/09/2026	Malya Mayu	Festival Activities	$1,000.00
EFT25174	18/09/2026	Mark Smith	Council Member Payments	$1,523.67

EFT25175	18/09/2026	Matthew Hall	Council Member Payments	$208.33
EFT25176	18/09/2026	Maurice Anderson	Council Member Payments	$690.33
EFT25177	18/09/2026	Meekatharra GP Clinic (PSM Country Health Pty Ltd)	Medical	$218.02
EFT25178	18/09/2026	Meekatharra Truck Tyre Service	Plant and Equipment	$1,650.00
EFT25179	18/09/2026	Neuk Port Ad-Hair	Aerodrome Management	$25,692.00
EFT25180	18/09/2026	PCC Productions Pty Ltd	Festival Activities	$14,850.00
EFT25181	18/09/2026	Perfect Computer Solutions Pty Ltd (PCS)	Computer System Management	$1,885.25
EFT25182	18/09/2026	RMH Mechanical Pty Ltd	Plant Equipment Servicing and Parts	$2,179.72
EFT25183	18/09/2026	Road Pavement Products Pty Ltd	Road Maintenance	$6,600.00
EFT25184	18/09/2026	Tess Fapani	Festival Activities	$23,100.00
EFT25185	18/09/2026	Western Communications	Information Communication & Technology	$5,461.90
EFT25186	18/09/2026	Western Independent Foods	Freight Services	$55.00
EFT25187	18/09/2026	Youth Focus Limited	Bond Refund	$525.00
EFT25188	22/09/2026	Australian Taxation Office	BAS	$37,163.47
EFT25189	23/09/2026	Adrian Moses	Council Reimbursement	$156.48
EFT25190	23/09/2026	Amberley Maryellen	Festival Activities	$2,585.00
EFT25191	23/09/2026	Batavia Furniture & Bedding (Comfort Style)	Furniture	$18,738.00
EFT25192	23/09/2026	Contract Property Services	Townsite Maintenance	$15,691.98
EFT25193	23/09/2026	Corsign WA Pty Ltd	Signs	$151.80
EFT25194	23/09/2026	Creative Catering	Festival Activities	$24,225.60
EFT25195	23/09/2026	Elite Electrical Contracting	Electrical Services	$2,325.06
EFT25196	23/09/2026	Harvey Norman Furniture and Bedding Geraldton	Whitegoods	$6,033.00
EFT25197	23/09/2026	Kamals Quarter Paella Pty Ltd	Festival Activities	$9,790.00
EFT25198	23/09/2026	Kate Wilson Events	Festival Activities	$17,636.41
EFT25199	23/09/2026	Nathan Cain	Staff Reimbursement	$8,910.47
EFT25200	23/09/2026	Old MacDonalds Travelling Farms	Festival Activities	$3,080.00
EFT25201	23/09/2026	PCC Productions Pty Ltd	Festival Activities	$34,650.00
EFT25202	23/09/2026	Rosie O Entertainment	Festival Activities	$7,040.00
EFT25203	23/09/2026	Western Communications	Information Communication & Technology	$1,207.89
25921	22/09/2026	Department of Transport	Licencing Services	$840.00
DD16105.1	2/09/2026	Horizon Power	Electricity Charges	$20,945.64
DD16127.1	10/09/2026	Beam Super Clearing House	Superannuation	$18,297.47
DD16133.1	21/09/2026	BP Oil (Air BP)	Avgas Sales	$10,975.80
DD16137.1	22/09/2026	West Australian Newspapers Limited	Annual Subscription	$416.00
DD16141.1	17/09/2026	Horizon Power	Electricity Charges	$7,223.18
DD16141.2	18/09/2026	Horizon Power	Electricity Charges	$2,117.26
DD16141.3	23/09/2026	Horizon Power	Electricity Charges	$3,131.20
DD16144.1	24/09/2026	Beam Super Clearing House	Superannuation	$18,418.29
DD16146.1	27/09/2026	Netstar Australia Pty Ltd	Information Communication & Technology	$619.08
			Total Municipal	**$691,941.09**
		Westpac Credit Card		
Direct Debit	29/07/2026	Department of Transport	Vehicle Registration	$26.40
Direct Debit	01/08/2026	Starlink	Information Communication and Technology	$210.00
Direct Debit	01/08/2026	Google	Google Cloud	$119.36
Direct Debit	09/08/2026	Starlink	Information Communication and Technology	$340.00
Direct Debit	14/08/2026	Wattle Grove Motel	Staff Travel	$171.00
Direct Debit	14/08/2026	Starlink	Information Communication and Technology	$225.00
Direct Debit	16/08/2026	Wattle Grove Motel	Staff Travel	$29.00
Direct Debit	17/08/2026	Starlink	Information Communication and Technology	$84.01
Direct Debit	17/08/2026	Starlink	Information Communication and Technology	$84.01
Direct Debit	17/08/2026	Starlink	Information Communication and Technology	$84.01
Direct Debit	25/08/2026	WA Police Corporate Firearm	Firearm Licence Renewal	$61.00
			Total August Credit Card	**$1,433.79**

Westpac Credit Card				
Direct Debit	30/08/2026	Wattle Grove Motel	Staff Travel	$205.00
Direct Debit	1/09/2026	Starlink	Information Communication and Technology	$210.00
Direct Debit	1/09/2026	Google	Google Cloud	$118.71
Direct Debit	9/09/2026	Starlink	Information Communication and Technology	$340.00
Direct Debit	14/09/2026	Starlink	Information Communication and Technology	$225.00
Direct Debit	15/09/2026	ASIC	Registration for Business Name Meekatharra Post and Lotto	$108.00
Direct Debit	17/09/2026	Starlink	Information Communication and Technology	$84.01
Direct Debit	17/09/2026	Starlink	Information Communication and Technology	$84.01
Direct Debit	17/09/2026	Starlink	Information Communication and Technology	$84.01
Direct Debit	22/09/2026	Hotel Booking. Com	Accommodation J Krumin Post Office Training	$1,193.00
Direct Debit	23/09/2026	Country Comfort Motel	Accommodation for Festival Event	$259.84
			Total September Credit Card	**$2,911.58**
P658	**CEO**	**7071 3400 6134 0542**	**Description**	
	08/08/2026	Muchea Unmanned	Fuel	$101.64
	08/08/2026	Ampol Swagman	Fuel	$122.37
	19/08/2026	Ampol Swagman	Fuel	$206.08
	20/08/2026	Muchea Unmanned	Fuel	$158.94
	25/08/2026	Muchea Unmanned	Fuel	$132.06
	25/08/2026	Ampol Swagman	Fuel	$177.19
	31/08/2026	Ampol	Annual Card Fee	$36.30
			Total	**$934.58**
P633	**WSM**	**7071 3400 6386 6205**	**Description**	
	21/08/2026	Independent Mullewa	Fuel	$194.49
			Total	**$194.49**
P666	**CSM**	**7071 3400 8840 7456**	**Description**	
	17/08/2026	Ampol Wonthella	Fuel	$223.98
			Total	**$223.98**
P659	**DCEO**	**7071 3400 9239 7651**	**Description**	
	9/08/2026	Ampol Wonthella	Fuel	$205.37
	18/08/2026	Ampol Leonora	Fuel	$171.40
	19/08/2026	Ampol Kalgoorlie	Fuel	$75.93
	19/08/2026	Ampol Leonora	Fuel	$77.76
	23/08/2026	Ampol Geraldton	Fuel	$202.57
			Total	**$733.03**

Payments from Muni **$691,941.09**
Credit Card Purchases totalling **$4,345.37**
Fuel Card Purchases totalling **$2,086.08**
And was submitted to each member of Council on Saturday 17 October 2026

10.2 Monthly Financial Report – September 2026

File Reference	**FM.RP.001**
Author	**A Giometti, Deputy Chief Executive Officer**
Author's Interest	**Nil**
Authoriser	**A Giometti, Deputy Chief Executive Officer**
Authoriser's Interest	**Nil**
Applicant / Respondent	**Nil**
Report Date	**7 October 2026**

Summary

Council is required to consider a Statement of Financial Activity which is to be produced each month and is to contain relevant information regarding the financial position and activity of the Shire.

The purpose of this Report is to present the relevant monthly information.

Council is requested to confirm the Monthly Financial Report, containing the Statement of Financial Activity, as presented.

Attachments

10.2.1 Monthly Financial Report – September 2026

Background

Legislation requires Shire officers to prepare financial reports covering prescribed information and present these to Council, where practicable, monthly.

Comment

Shire officers, in conjunction with local government finance and accounting consultants, have prepared the Statement of Financial activity, along with other prescribed information, in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and legislative requirements.

Consultation

Shire Officers
Local Government Finance and Accounting Consultants

Statutory Implications

Local Government Act 1995
Section 6.4 (Financial report)
Local governments are required to prepare and present financial reports, on an annual basis and at any other time, and in any other format, as prescribed.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996
Regulation 34 (Financial activity statement required each month (Act s. 6.4)
Shire officers are to prepare each month a statement of financial activity reporting on the revenue and expenditure as set out in the annual budget.

Each statement of financial activity is to be accompanied by information explaining the composition of net assets less committed and restricted assets, any material variances and any other supporting information considered relevant.

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Commentary on the financial position is outlined within the body of the attached Monthly Financial Report.

Risk Implications

The risk of presenting inaccurate information is considered low due to the use of specialised financial systems and the review and assistance provided by experienced finance and accounting consultants.

The Monthly Financial Report leads to the generation of the Annual Financial Report which is audited for accuracy by the Office of the Auditor General.

Strategic Implications

Strategic Community Plan 2026
Leadership and Governance – Maintain sound financial management, ensuring sustainability, accountability and long-term resilience.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Recommendation

That Council, pursuant to Regulation 34 the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, accepts the Monthly Financial Report, as attached, for September 2026.

Council Resolution

Resolution	**26/085**
Moved	**B Day**
Seconded	**A Moses**

That Council, pursuant to Regulation 34 the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, accepts the Monthly Financial Report, as attached, for September 2026.

Vote Outcome	**Carried 7/0**
For	**H Nichols, M Smith, B Day, M Anderson, J Holden, A Moses, M Hall**
Against	**-**
Variation Reason	**-**

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10.2.1 Financial Report – September 2026

SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

(Containing the required statement of financial activity and statement of financial position)

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2026

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1995
LOCAL GOVERNMENT (FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT) REGULATIONS 1996

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These statements are prepared with data available at the time of preparation.

SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2026

	30 September 2026	30 June 2026
	$	$
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	43,895,232	40,682,607
Trade and other receivables	5,619,478	2,076,076
Inventories	530,140	530,138
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	50,044,850	43,288,821
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Other financial assets	116,383	116,383
Property, plant and equipment	27,572,809	27,561,136
Infrastructure	177,877,659	179,326,521
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	205,566,851	207,004,040
TOTAL ASSETS	255,611,701	250,292,861
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and other payables	642,888	635,215
Employee related provisions	251,457	251,457
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	894,345	886,672
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Employee related provisions	70,433	70,433
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	70,433	70,433
TOTAL LIABILITIES	964,778	957,105
NET ASSETS	**254,646,923**	**249,335,756**
EQUITY		
Retained surplus	85,612,482	80,301,315
Reserve accounts	27,360,819	27,360,819
Revaluation surplus	141,673,622	141,673,622
TOTAL EQUITY	**254,646,923**	**249,335,756**

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2026

1 BASIS OF PREPARATION AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial report of the Shire of Meekatharra which is a Class 3 local government comprises general purpose financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 and accompanying regulations.

Local Government Act 1995 requirements
Section 6.4(2) of the Local Government Act 1995 read with the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 prescribe that the financial report be prepared in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 and, to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the Act, the Australian Accounting Standards. The Australian Accounting Standards (as they apply to local governments and not-for-profit entities) and Interpretations of the Australian Accounting Standards Board were applied except for disclosure requirements of:
• AASB 7 Financial Instruments Disclosures
• *AASB 16 Leases paragraph 58*
• *AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements paragraph 61*
• *AASB 107 Cash Flows paragraphs 43 and 45*
• *AASB 116 Property, Plant and Equipment paragraph 79*
• *AASB 137 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets paragraph 85*
• *AASB 140 Investment Property paragraph 75(f)*
• *AASB 1052 Disaggregated Disclosures paragraph 11*
• *AASB 1054 Australian Additional Disclosures paragraph 16*

The Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 specify that vested land is a right-of-use asset to be measured at cost, and is considered a zero cost concessionary lease. All right-of-use assets under zero cost concessionary leases are measured at zero cost rather than at fair value, except for vested improvements on concessionary land leases such as roads, buildings or other infrastructure which continue to be reported at fair value, as opposed to the vested land which is measured at zero cost. The measurement of vested improvements at fair value is a departure from AASB 16 which would have required the Shire to measure any vested improvements at zero cost.

The Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 provide that:
- land and buildings are to be classified as property, plant and equipment; or
- infrastructure; or
- vested minor improvements that the local government controls;

and measured at reportable value, are only required to be revalued every five years. Revaluing these non-financial assets every five years is a departure from AASB 116 Property, Plant and Equipment, which would have required the Shire to assess at each reporting date whether the carrying amounts of the above mentioned non-financial assets materially differs from the fair value, and if so, revalue the class of non-financial assets.

Accounting policies which have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise. Except for cash flow and rate setting information, the financial report has been prepared on the accrual basis and is based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and liabilities.

Critical accounting estimates and judgements
The preparation of a financial report in conformity with Australian Accounting Standards requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that effect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses.

The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances; the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

As with all estimates, the use of different assumptions could lead to material changes in the amounts reported in the financial report.

The following are estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year and further information on their nature and impact can be found in the relevant note:
• Fair value measurement of assets carried at reportable value including:
• Property, plant and equipment - Note 7
• Infrastructure - Note 8
• Expected credit losses on financial assets - Note 5
• Impairment losses of non-financial assets - Notes 7 and 8
• Measurement of employee benefits - Note 12
• Measurement of provisions - Note 12
Fair value heirarchy information can be found in Note 19

The local government reporting entity
All funds through which the Shire controls resources to carry on its functions have been included in the financial statements forming part of this financial report.

Initial application of accounting standards
During the current year, the following new or revised Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations were applied for the first time.
• AASB 2021-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - *Disclosure of Accounting Policies or Definition of Accounting Estimates*
This standard resulted in terminology changes relating to material accounting policies (formerly referred to as significant accounting policies).

New accounting standards for application in future years
The following new accounting standards will have application to local government in future years:
• *AASB 2014-10 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture*
• *AASB 2020-1 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current*
• *AASB 2021-7c Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Effective Date of Amendments to AASB 10 and AASB 128 and Editorial Corrections [deferred AASB 10 and AASB 128 amendments in AASB 2014-10 apply]*
• *AASB 2022-5 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback*
• *AASB 2022-6 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Non-current Liabilities with Covenants*
These amendments are not expected to have any material impact on the financial report on initial application.
• AASB 2022-10 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Fair Value Measurement of Non-Financial Assets of Not-for-Profit Public Sector Entities
These amendment may result in changes to the fair value of non-financial assets. The impact is yet to be quantified.
• AASB 2023-1 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Supplier Finance Arrangements
These amendments may result in additional disclosures in the case of applicable finance arrangements.

SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2026

	Supplementary Information	Adopted Budget Estimates (a) $	YTD Budget Estimates (b) $	YTD Actual (c) $	Variance* $ (c) - (b) $	Variance* % ((c) - (b))/(b) %	Var.		Explanation of Material Variance
OPERATING ACTIVITIES									
Revenue from operating activities									
General rates		8,903,000	2,225,751	**9,078,960**	6,853,209	307.91%	▲	Timing	
Grants, subsidies and contributions	11	1,326,000	331,485	**425,944**	94,459	28.50%	▲	Timing	Recognition timing of grants depends on expenditure if contract liability exists
Fees and charges		1,738,000	432,585	**329,322**	(103,263)	(23.87%)	▼		
Interest revenue		890,000	222,498	**31,794**	(190,704)	(85.71%)	▼	Timing	Term deposit interest is accruing and will be recognised when the term deposits mature.
Other revenue		159,500	39,837	**41,873**	2,036	5.11%		Timing	
		13,016,500	**3,252,156**	**9,907,893**	6,655,737	204.66%			
Expenditure from operating activities									
Employee costs		(4,538,500)	(1,134,408)	**(838,977)**	295,431	26.04%	▲	Timing	
Materials and contracts		(5,763,000)	(1,440,285)	**(1,330,188)**	110,097	7.64%		Timing	
Utility charges		(604,000)	(150,924)	**(89,694)**	61,230	40.57%	▲	Timing	
Depreciation		(7,354,000)	(1,838,472)	**(2,017,084)**	(178,612)	(9.72%)		Timing	
Insurance		(353,500)	(88,248)	**(213,210)**	(124,962)	(141.60%)	▼	Timing	
Other expenditure		(375,500)	(93,855)	**(82,644)**	11,211	11.95%	▲	Timing	
		(18,988,500)	**(4,746,192)**	**(4,596,724)**	149,468	3.15%			
Non-cash amounts excluded from operating activities	Note 2(b)	7,354,000	1,838,472	**2,042,011**	203,539	11.07%	▲	Timing	
Amount attributable to operating activities		**1,382,000**	**344,436**	**7,353,180**	7,008,744	2034.85%			

SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2026

	Supplementary Information	Adopted Budget Estimates (a) $	YTD Budget Estimates (b) $	YTD Actual (c) $	Variance* $ (c) - (b) $	Variance* % ((c) - (b))/(b) %	Var.		Explanation of Material Variance
CONTINUED									
INVESTING ACTIVITIES									
Inflows from investing activities									
Proceeds from capital grants, subsidies and contributions	12	10,506,000	2,626,494	**0**	(2,626,494)	(100.00%)	▼	Timing	Recognition of Grants depends on the conditions and therefore the expenditure in some cases
Proceeds from disposal of assets	6	70,000	0	**38,994**	38,994	0.00%		Timing	
		10,576,000	**2,626,494**	**38,994**	(2,587,500)	(98.52%)			
Outflows from investing activities									
Payments for property, plant and equipment	5	(9,030,000)	(2,152,012)	**(559,171)**	1,592,842	74.02%	▲	Timing	Refer to Note 5 for Capital Works Detail -
Payments for construction of infrastructure	5	(15,693,000)	(3,923,226)	**(84,645)**	3,838,581	97.84%	▲	Timing	Refer to Note 5 for Capital Works Detail
		(24,723,000)	**(6,075,238)**	**(643,816)**	5,431,423	89.40%			
Amount attributable to investing activities		**(14,147,000)**	**(3,448,744)**	**(604,822)**	2,843,923	82.46%			
FINANCING ACTIVITIES									
Inflows from financing activities									
Transfer from reserves	4	6,100,000	5,350,000	**0**	(5,350,000)	(100.00%)	▼	Timing	Reserve transfers take place on recognition of interest and at the end of the year
		6,100,000	**5,350,000**	**0**	(5,350,000)	(100.00%)			
Outflows from financing activities									
Transfer to reserves	4	(5,700,000)	(3,700,000)	**0**	3,700,000	100.00%	▲	Timing	Reserve transfers take place on recognition of interest and at the end of the year
		(5,700,000)	**(3,700,000)**	**0**	3,700,000	100.00%			
Amount attributable to financing activities		**400,000**	**1,650,000**	**0**	(1,650,000)	(100.00%)			
MOVEMENT IN SURPLUS OR DEFICIT									
Surplus or deficit at the start of the financial year		12,365,000	15,293,007	**15,292,787**	(220)	(0.00%)			
Amount attributable to operating activities		1,382,000	344,436	**7,353,180**	7,008,744	2034.85%			
Amount attributable to investing activities		(14,147,000)	(3,448,744)	**(604,822)**	2,843,923	82.46%			
Amount attributable to financing activities		400,000	1,650,000	**0**	(1,650,000)	(100.00%)			
Surplus or deficit after imposition of general rates		**0**	**13,838,699**	**22,041,145**	8,202,447	59.27%			

KEY INFORMATION
▲▼ Indicates a variance between Year to Date (YTD) Budget and YTD Actual data as per the adopted materiality threshold.
▲▼ Better than budget (Income is higher, Expenditure is lower)/Worse than budget (Income is lower, expenditure is higher)
This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying Financial Statements and Notes.

SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA
NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2026

2 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY INFORMATION

(a) Net current assets used in the Statement of Financial Activity

	Supplementary Information	Adopted Budget Opening 30 June 2026	Last Year Pre-audit Closing 30 June 2026	Year to Date 30 September 2026
Current assets		$	$	$
Cash and cash equivalents	3	40,000,000	40,682,607	43,895,232
Trade and other receivables	7	206,610	2,076,076	5,619,478
Inventories	8	500,000	530,138	530,142
		40,706,610	43,288,821	50,044,852
Less: current liabilities				
Trade and other payables	9	(1,200,000)	(635,215)	(642,888)
Employee related provisions	10	(250,000)	(251,457)	(251,457)
		(1,450,000)	(886,672)	(894,345)
Net current assets		**39,256,610**	**42,402,149**	**49,150,507**
Less: Total adjustments to net current assets	Note 2(c)	(26,891,610)	(27,109,362)	(27,109,362)
Closing funding surplus / (deficit)		**12,365,000**	**15,292,787**	**22,041,145**

(b) Non-cash amounts excluded from operating activities

The following non-cash revenue and expenditure has been excluded from operating activities within the Statement of Financial Activity in accordance with *Financial Management Regulation 32*.

Non-cash amounts excluded from operating activities		Adopted Budget	YTD Budget (a)	YTD Actual (b)
		$	$	$
Adjustments to operating activities				
Add: Loss on asset disposals	6	0	0	24,927
Add: Depreciation		7,354,000	1,838,472	2,017,084
Total non-cash amounts excluded from operating activities		**7,354,000**	**1,838,472**	**2,042,011**

(c) Current assets and liabilities excluded from budgeted deficiency

The following current assets and liabilities have been excluded from the net current assets used in the Statement of Financial Activity in accordance with *Financial Management Regulation 32* to agree to the surplus/(deficit) after imposition of general rates.

		Adopted Budget Opening 30 June 2026	Last Year Pre-audit Closing 30 June 2026	Year to Date 30 September 2026
		$	$	$
Adjustments to net current assets				
Less: Reserve accounts	4	(26,891,610)	(27,360,819)	(27,360,819)
Add: Current liabilities not expected to be cleared at the end of the year:				
- Current portion of employee benefit provisions	4	0	251,457	251,457
Total adjustments to net current assets	Note 2(a)	**(26,891,610)**	**(27,109,362)**	**(27,109,362)**

CURRENT AND NON-CURRENT CLASSIFICATION

In the determination of whether an asset or liability is current or non-current, consideration is given to the time when each asset or liability is expected to be settled. Unless otherwise stated assets or liabilities are classified as current if expected to be settled within the next 12 months, being the Council's operational cycle.

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SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA
STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME BY PROGRAM
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2026

	Ref Note	Adopted Budget Estimates (a)	YTD Budget Estimates (b)	YTD Actual (c)
		$	$	$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Income excluding grants, subsidies and contributions				
General purpose funding - other		9,804,500	2,451,120	**9,113,873**
Law, order and public safety	11	3,500	867	**100**
Health		2,500	621	**210**
Education and welfare		5,500	1,365	**2,600**
Housing		1,000	249	**0**
Community amenities		114,500	28,611	**104,361**
Recreation and culture	6	65,000	16,239	**17,970**
Transport		1,665,500	398,871	**206,140**
Economic services		26,000	6,495	**33,073**
Other property and services		65,000	16,233	**3,616**
		11,753,000	**2,920,671**	**9,481,943**
Grants, subsidies and contributions				
General purpose funding - other		500,000	124,998	**291,702**
Law, order and public safety		59,000	14,745	**4,013**
Education and welfare		150,000	37,497	**43,017**
Community amenities		375,000	93,750	**0**
Recreation and culture		50,000	12,498	**0**
Transport		10,548,000	2,636,994	**0**
Economic services		150,000	37,497	**87,000**
Other property and services		0	0	**213**
		11,832,000	**2,957,979**	**425,945**
Expenditure from operating activities (including depreciation)				
Governance		(1,209,500)	(302,337)	**(233,693)**
General purpose funding		(394,000)	(98,487)	**(58,060)**
Law, order and public safety		(381,500)	(95,331)	**(60,612)**
Health		(212,000)	(52,992)	**(63,694)**
Education and welfare		(1,474,500)	(368,493)	**(268,515)**
Housing		0	261	**(17,126)**
Community amenities		(1,164,000)	(290,937)	**(160,493)**
Recreation and culture		(2,374,500)	(593,466)	**(444,085)**
Transport		(10,289,000)	(2,572,191)	**(2,241,959)**
Economic services	6	(1,259,000)	(314,685)	**(545,475)**
Other property and services		(293,000)	(57,534)	**(503,012)**
		(19,051,000)	**(4,746,192)**	**(4,596,724)**
Net Operating Result		**4,534,000**	**1,132,458**	**5,311,164**

SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2026

3 CASH AND FINANCIAL ASSETS

Description	Classification	Unrestricted	Restricted	Trust	Cash	Institution	Interest Rate	Maturity Date
		$	$		$			
Cash on hand								
Municipal Bank Account	Cash and cash equivalents	9,379,951	0	0	9,379,951	Westpac	0.00%	At Call
Cash on Hand	Cash and cash equivalents	1,719	0	0	1,719			
Maxi Account - including Term Deposits listed below:	Cash and cash equivalents	12,152,743	(7,639,181)	0	4,513,562	Westpac	1.15%	At Call
Term Deposits								
674782	Cash and cash equivalents	0	20,000,000	0	20,000,000	Westpac	5.60%	21/06/2027
674790	Cash and cash equivalents	0	5,000,000	0	5,000,000	Westpac	2.28%	03/11/2026
674803	Cash and cash equivalents	0	5,000,000	0	5,000,000	Westpac	5.24%	03/12/2026
675056	Cash and cash equivalents	0	5,000,000	0	5,000,000	Westpac	4.45%	03/12/2026
Trust Account	Trust	0	0	(5,270)	(5,270)	Westpac	0.00%	At Call
Total		**21,534,413**	**27,360,819**	**(5,270)**	**48,889,962**			
Comprising								
Cash and cash equivalents		21,534,413	27,360,819		48,895,232			
Trust Account				(5,270)	(5,270)			
Financial assets at amortised cost		0	0		0			
		21,534,413	**27,360,819**	**(5,270)**	**48,889,962**			

KEY INFORMATION

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, cash at bank, deposits available on demand with banks and other short term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value. Bank overdrafts are reported as short term borrowings in current liabilities in the statement of net current assets.

SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2026

4 RESERVE ACCOUNTS

Reserve name	Budget Opening Balance	Original Budget Transfers In (+)	Original Budget Transfers Out (-)	Original Budget Closing Balance	Actual Opening Balance	Actual Transfers In (+)	Actual Transfers Out (-)	Actual YTD Closing Balance
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Restricted by Council			0					
Plant and Machinery reserve	1,018,300	1,000,000	(1,175,000)	843,300	1,018,300	0	0	1,018,300
Building Reserve	1,715,200	500,000	(1,580,000)	635,200	1,715,202	0	0	1,715,202
Airport Reserve	5,164,130	1,000,000	0	6,164,130	5,164,130	0	0	5,164,130
Lloyd'S Revitalisation Reserve	3,783,170	300,000	(2,500,000)	1,583,170	3,783,169	0	0	3,783,169
Industrial Park Reserve	1,416,165	0	0	1,416,165	1,416,163	0	0	1,416,163
Swimming Pool Reserve	489,060	250,000	0	739,060	489,060	0	0	489,060
Pathways	815,985	100,000	0	915,985	815,984	0	0	815,984
Future Projects	2,477,470	0	0	2,477,470	2,477,469	0	0	2,477,469
Furniture and Equipment	235,000	50,000	(95,000)	190,000	235,000	0	0	235,000
Roads	6,867,305	0	(750,000)	6,117,305	6,867,304	0	0	6,867,304
Road Agreement - MEGA Resources (Tumblegum)	0	1,000,000	0	1,000,000	719,212	0	0	719,212
Road Agreement - Westgold (Crown Prince)	250,000	1,000,000	0	1,250,000	2,659,826	0	0	2,659,826
Other Infrastructure	2,659,825	500,000	0	3,159,825	0	0	0	0
	26,891,610	**5,700,000**	**(6,100,000)**	**26,491,610**	**27,360,819**	**0**	**0**	**27,360,819**

SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA **INVESTING ACTIVITIES**
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2026

5 CAPITAL ACQUISITIONS

Capital acquisitions	Adopted Budget	Current Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Actual Variance
	$		$	$	$
Buildings - non-specialised	7,475,000	7,475,000	1,769,949	494,781	(1,275,168)
Furniture and equipment	310,000	310,000	70,822	38,139	(32,683)
Plant and equipment	1,245,000	1,245,000	311,241	26,251	(284,990)
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	**9,030,000**	**9,030,000**	**2,152,012**	**559,171**	**(1,592,842)**
Infrastructure - roads	10,200,000	10,200,000	2,549,994	81,773	(2,468,221)
Infrastructure - footpaths	100,000	100,000	24,999	0	(24,999)
Infrastructure - Airport	340,000	340,000	84,999	0	(84,999)
Infrastructure - Other	5,053,000	5,053,000	1,263,234	2,872	(1,260,362)
Acquisition of infrastructure	**15,693,000**	**15,693,000**	**3,923,226**	**84,645**	**(3,838,581)**
Total capital acquisitions	**24,723,000**	**24,723,000**	**6,075,238**	**643,816**	**(5,431,423)**

MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Each class of fixed assets within either plant and equipment or infrastructure, is carried at cost or fair value as indicated less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Assets for which the fair value as at the date of acquisition is under $5,000 are not recognised as an asset in accordance with *Financial Management Regulation 17A (5)* . These assets are expensed immediately.

Where multiple individual low value assets are purchased together as part of a larger asset or collectively forming a larger asset exceeding the threshold, the individual assets are recognised as one asset and capitalised.

Initial recognition and measurement for assets held at cost

Plant and equipment including furniture and equipment is recognised at cost on acquisition in accordance with *Financial Management Regulation 17A*. Where acquired at no cost the asset is initially recognise at fair value. Assets held at cost are depreciated and assessed for impairment annually.

Initial recognition and measurement between mandatory revaluation dates for assets held at fair value

In relation to this initial measurement, cost is determined as the fair value of the assets given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition. For assets acquired at zero cost or otherwise significantly less than fair value, cost is determined as fair value at the date of acquisition. The cost of non-current assets constructed by the Shire includes the cost of all materials used in construction, direct labour on the project and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overheads.

SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2026

5 CAPITAL ACQUISITIONS - DETAILED

GL Account	Job Number	Job/Account Description	Original Budget	Current Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Actual Variance	Comments
Buildings - non-specialised								
2026	X1001	Ses Facilities - Renew Shed	41,000	41,000	10,248	-	10,248	
2704	X1008	Lot 877 (69) Mccleary Street - New Garage	30,000	30,000	7,500	-	7,500	
2704	X1010	Lot 304 (135) Darlot Street - New Residence	277,000	277,000	69,249	-	69,249	
3666	X1024	Swimming Pool Building - Renew Paint	65,000	65,000	16,248	122	16,126	
4191	X1031	Community Resource Centre - Upgrade Kitchen	15,000	15,000	3,750	-	3,750	
2704	X1032	Lot 2 (28) Connaughton Street - Renew External	15,000	15,000	3,750	-	3,750	
2704	X1033	Lot 2 (28) Connaughton Street - Renew Awnings	6,000	6,000	1,500	-	1,500	
2704	X1034	Lot 2 (28) Connaughton Street - Renew Cabinetry	-	-	-	5,060	(5,060)	
2704	X1035	Sports Complex Residence - Renew External Pai	15,000	15,000	3,750	-	3,750	
2704	X1036	Sports Complex Residence - Renew Internal Pain	8,000	8,000	1,998	-	1,998	
2704	X1037	Sports Complex Residence - Renew Security Scr	-	-	-	20,779	(20,779)	
2704	X1038	Sports Complex Residence - Renew Verandah	30,000	30,000	7,500	-	7,500	
2704	X1040	Lot 113 (81) Darlot Street - Renew Carpentry	-	-	-	5,060	(5,060)	
5044	X1045	Shire Depot - New Carport	40,000	40,000	9,999	-	9,999	
2094	X1046	Youth Focus - Renew Internal	50,000	50,000	12,498	-	12,498	
2704	X1048	Lot 294 (131) Hill Street - Renew Awnings	10,000	10,000	2,499	-	2,499	
2704	X1049	Airport Residence - Renew Internal Paint	8,000	8,000	1,998	-	1,998	
2704	X1050	Consultant Quarters - Renew Exterior	50,000	50,000	12,498	-	12,498	
2704	X1053	Lot 408 (91) Hill Street - Renew Internal Paint	-	-	-	5,060	(5,060)	
1328	X1054	Shire Office - New Carport	60,000	60,000	15,000	-	15,000	
2704	X1057	Lot 79 (23) Main Street - Renew	175,000	175,000	43,749	11,648	32,101	
2704	X1058	33 Mccleary Street - New	200,000	200,000	49,998	-	49,998	
2704	X1059	89 Hill Street - New	200,000	200,000	49,998	-	49,998	
2704	X1060	35 Mccleary Street - New	200,000	200,000	49,998	-	49,998	
2704	X1061	82 Oliver Street - New	200,000	200,000	49,998	-	49,998	
2704	X1062	87 Hill Street - New	200,000	200,000	49,998	-	49,998	
2704	X1063	91 Darlot Street - New	250,000	250,000	62,499	-	62,499	
2704	X1064	80 Oliver Street - New	200,000	200,000	49,998	-	49,998	
2704	X1065	97 Hill Street - New	130,000	130,000	32,499	-	32,499	
2704	X1066	24 Mccleary Street - New	60,000	60,000	15,000	211,941	(196,941)	
2704	X1067	26 Mccleary Street - New	60,000	60,000	15,000	211,941	(196,941)	
2704	X1068	58 Mccleary Street - Renew Flooring	20,000	20,000	4,998	-	4,998	
2704	X1069	84 Oliver Street - Renew Flooring	20,000	20,000	4,998	-	4,998	
2704	X1070	Consultant Quarters - Renew Internal	25,000	25,000	6,249	-	6,249	
5045	X1071	Depot - Renew Electrical Connection	25,000	25,000	6,249	-	6,249	
2440	X1072	Kidzone - Renew Facility	100,000	100,000	24,999	-	24,999	
3094	X1073	Main Street Public Toilets - Renew	50,000	50,000	12,498	-	12,498	
5777	X1074	Post Office - New Demolition	277,000	277,000	69,249	-	69,249	
5779	X1075	Main Street Complex - Stage 1 - New Construction	2,900,000	2,900,000	724,998	-	724,998	
5777	X1076	Post Office (Temporary) - New Fitout	100,000	100,000	24,999	-	24,999	
5777	X277	Meekatharra Post Office - New	-	-	-	1,085	(1,085)	
3680	X1077	Sports Complex - New Ceiling	60,000	60,000	15,000	-	15,000	
3680	X1078	Sports Complex - Renew Toilets	40,000	40,000	9,999	-	9,999	
3680	X1079	Sports Complex - Renew Security	50,000	50,000	12,498	-	12,498	
2704	X1080	Sports Complex House - Renew Bathroom	20,000	20,000	4,998	-	4,998	
2704	X1081	Sports Complex House - Renew Blinds	10,000	10,000	2,499	-	2,499	
2704	X1082	Sports Complex House - Renew Flooring	15,000	15,000	3,750	-	3,750	
2704	X1083	Sports Complex House - Renew Kitchen	30,000	30,000	7,500	-	7,500	
2094	X1085	Youth Centre - Renew Toilets	25,000	25,000	6,249	69	6,180	
5779	X1086	9 Spencer Street - New	30,000	30,000	7,500	-	7,500	
5779	X1087	74 Main Street - New	240,000	240,000	60,000	-	60,000	
5777	X1088	Post Office - New Purchase And Licencing	448,000	448,000	111,999	22,017	89,982	
2704	X1089	58 Mccleary Street - Renew Septic Sytem	40,000	40,000	-	-	-	
2704	X1090	101 Hill Street - Renew Hot water system	15,000	15,000	-	-	-	
5045	X1091	Depot - New Fuel Tank Slab	40,000	40,000	-	-	-	
5045	X1092	Depot - Renew Electric Fence	50,000	50,000	-	-	-	
5045	X1093	Couglas Street Yard - Renew Fence	250,000	250,000	-	-	-	
		TOTAL Buildings	**7,475,000**	**7,475,000**	**1,769,949**	**494,781**	**1,275,168**	

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5 CAPITAL ACQUISITIONS - DETAILED

GL Account	Job Number	Job/Account Description	Original Budget	Current Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Actual Variance	Comments
Furniture and equipment								
2438	X2001	Kids Zone - Renew Outdoor Furniture	10,000	10,000	2,499	-	2,499	
2445	X2002	Youth Centre - Renew Office Furniture	10,000	10,000	2,499	-	2,499	
3534	X2003	Town Hall - Renew Audio Visual Equipment	50,000	50,000	12,498	-	12,498	
3974	X2004	Gym - Renew Gym Equipment	50,000	50,000	12,498	-	12,498	
1326	X2005	Administration Office - Renew Front Counter	45,000	45,000	11,250	14,014	(2,764)	
1326	X2012	Council Chambers - Renew Furniture	30,000	30,000	7,500	2,705	4,795	
2704	X2013	101 Darlot Street - Renew Furniture	20,000	20,000	4,998	-	4,998	
4191	X2014	Bakery - Renew Freezer	10,000	10,000	2,499	-	2,499	
2704	X2015	Consultant Quarters - Renew Furniture	25,000	25,000	2,083	9,307	(7,224)	
0254	X2016	Council Chambers - Renew Furniture	15,000	15,000	3,750	-	3,750	
1326	X2017	General Allocation - Renew Furniture	10,000	10,000	-	-	-	
3534	X2018	Town Hall - Renew Refrigerator	10,000	10,000	2,499	8,022	(5,523)	
2445	X2019	Youth Centre - Renew Furniture	15,000	15,000	3,750	-	3,750	
2445	X2020	Youth Centre - New Floor Cleaner	10,000	10,000	2,499	4,091	(1,592)	
		TOTAL Furniture and Equipment	**310,000**	**310,000**	**70,822**	**38,139**	**32,683**	
Plant and equipment								
5475	X3001	Small Equipment Allocation - Renew	50,000	50,000	12,498	26,251	(13,753)	
5475	X3023	Tipper Truck <10 Tonne (P???) - Renew	150,000	150,000	37,500	-	37,500	
5475	X3024	Tipper Truck <10 Tonne (P???) - Renew	150,000	150,000	37,500	-	37,500	
5475	X3035	Heavy Duty Trailer (With Ramps) - New	20,000	20,000	4,998	-	4,998	
5475	X3036	Tipper Truck - New	300,000	300,000	75,000	-	75,000	
5475	X3037	Mobile Living Quarters - New	220,000	220,000	54,999	-	54,999	
5475	X3038	Coordinator Projects 4Wd - New	65,000	65,000	16,248	-	16,248	
5475	X3039	Road Maintenance Solution - New	200,000	200,000	49,998	-	49,998	
5475	X3040	Community Van - New	90,000	90,000	22,500	-	22,500	
		TOTAL Plant and Equipment	**1,245,000**	**1,245,000**	**311,241**	**26,251**	**284,990**	

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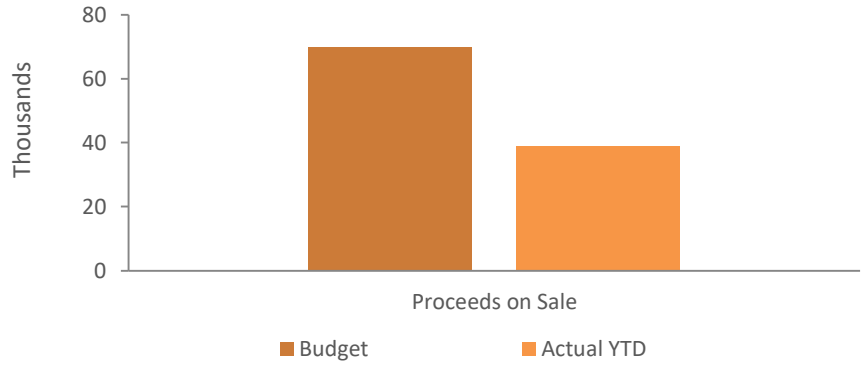
5 CAPITAL ACQUISITIONS - DETAILED

GL Account	Job Number	Job/Account Description	Original Budget	Current Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Actual Variance	Comments
Infrastructure - roads								
4200		Road Construction Various	10,200,000	10,200,000	2,549,994	81,773	2,468,221	
4250		Flood Damage Renewals - 24/25	-	-	-	-	-	
		TOTAL Road Construction	**10,200,000**	**10,200,000**	**2,549,994**	**81,773**	**2,468,221**	
Infrastructure - footpaths								
5046	X5002	Mccleary Street - Renew Pathway	100,000	100,000	24,999	-	24,999	
		TOTAL Footpath Construction	**100,000**	**100,000**	**24,999**	**-**	**24,999**	
Infrastructure - Airport								
5219	X7003	Airport - Renew Fuel Facility	300,000	300,000	75,000	-	75,000	
5219	X7006	Airport - New Security Fencing	40,000	40,000	9,999	-	9,999	
		TOTAL Airport Construction	**340,000**	**340,000**	**84,999**	**-**	**84,999**	
Infrastructure - Other								
3954	1131	Lukes Creek Landscaping - Capital	-	-	-	372	(372)	
2436	X6001	Kids Zone - Renew Courtyard Paving	27,000	27,000	6,750	-	6,750	
2436	X6002	Kids Zone - Renew Reticulation And Lawn	20,000	20,000	4,998	-	4,998	
2436	X6003	Kids Zone - Renew Playground Shade	40,000	40,000	9,999	-	9,999	
2824	X6004	Refuse Site - Upgrade Facility	56,000	56,000	13,998	-	13,998	
3274	X6005	Town Cemetery - Renew Facility	50,000	50,000	12,498	-	12,498	
4015	X6006	Lions Park - New Development	2,000,000	2,000,000	499,998	-	499,998	
3274	X6012	Heritage Cemeteries - Renew Headstones	60,000	60,000	15,000	-	15,000	
5424	X6013	Entry Statement (East) - New	40,000	40,000	9,999	-	9,999	
5424	X6014	Entry Statement (West) - New	40,000	40,000	9,999	-	9,999	
5424	X6015	Murchison Geo Region - Renew Signage	30,000	30,000	7,500	-	7,500	
5045	X6016	Truck Ramps - New	240,000	240,000	60,000	-	60,000	
2984	X6018	Sewage Ponds - Upgrade Facility	750,000	750,000	187,500	2,500	185,000	
3638	X6019	Oval And Associated Infrastructure	200,000	200,000	49,998	-	49,998	
2027	X6022	Townsite - New Cctv System	750,000	750,000	187,500	-	187,500	
4015	X6023	Memorial Park - Renew Park	550,000	550,000	137,499	-	137,499	
4015	X6024	Memorial Park - Renew Memorial	200,000	200,000	49,998	-	49,998	
		TOTAL Other Infrastructure	**5,053,000**	**5,053,000**	**1,263,234**	**2,872**	**1,260,362**	
		TOTALS	**24,723,000**	**24,723,000**	**6,075,238**	**643,816**	**5,431,423**	

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6 DISPOSAL OF ASSETS

Asset Ref.	Asset description	Original Budget Net Book Value	Original Budget Proceeds	Original Budget Profit	Original Budget (Loss)	YTD Actual Net Book Value	YTD Actual Proceeds	YTD Actual Profit	YTD Actual (Loss)
		$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
	Plant and equipment								
	Various disposals	70,000	70,000	0	0	63,921	38,994	0	(24,927)
		70,000	**70,000**	**0**	**0**	**63,921**	**38,994**	**0**	**(24,927)**



Note
The disposal of these assets has yet to be processed in the financial system.

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5 CAPITAL ROADWORKS - DETAILED

Job - Account	Job/Account Description	Original Budget	Current Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Actual Variance	Comments
Infrastructure - roads							
C1	MT CLERE RD - CONSTRUCTION	-	-	-	338	(338)	
C26	Milgun-Yarlarweelor Rd - Construction	-	-	-	1,334	(1,334)	
X4060	Wiluna North Road - Renew Xx To Xx	-	-	-	454	(454)	
X4061	Wiluna North Road - Renew 45.00 Slk To 50.00 Slk	-	-	-	502	(502)	
X4067	Grid Program (25-26) - Renew Grids Various Locations	300,000	300,000	75,000	-	75,000	
X4068	Floodway No5	750,000	750,000	187,500	-	187,500	
X4069	Wiluna North Road - Renew 50.00 Slk To 55.00 Slk	-	-	-	42,620	(42,620)	
X4083	Ashburton Downs Road - Renew 191 Slk To 196 Slk	450,000	450,000	112,500	-	112,500	
X4084	Ashburton Downs Road - Renew 196 Slk To 201 Slk	450,000	450,000	112,500	-	112,500	
X4085	Wiluna North Road - Renew 23 Slk To 28 Slk	450,000	450,000	112,500	-	112,500	
X4086	Townsite Heavy Haulage Route - Renew Seal	300,000	300,000	75,000	-	75,000	
X4087	Cemetery Road - Renew Seal	125,000	125,000	31,248	-	31,248	
X4088	Airport Access Road - Renew Seal	125,000	125,000	31,248	-	31,248	
X4089	Spencer Street - Renew Seal	50,000	50,000	12,498	-	12,498	
X4090	Landor Road - Renew Seal 0 Slk To 50 Slk	6,900,000	6,900,000	1,725,000	36,525	1,688,475	
	TOTAL Road Construction	**10,200,000**	**10,200,000**	**2,549,994**	**81,773**	**2,468,221**	

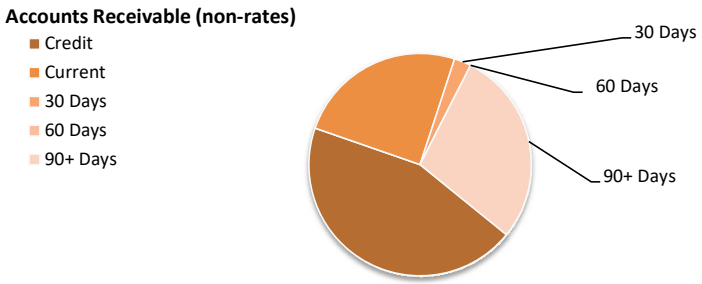
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7 RECEIVABLES

Rates receivable	30 Jun 2026	30 Sep 2026
	$	$
Opening arrears previous years	5,656,329	1,115,741
Levied this year	8,463,921	9,078,960
Less - collections	(13,004,509)	(4,538,372)
Gross rates collectable	**1,115,741**	**5,656,329**
Allowance for impairment of rates receivable		(120,309)
Net rates collectable	**1,115,741**	**5,536,020**
% Collected	92.1%	44.5%

Receivables - general	Credit	Current	30 Days	60 Days	90+ Days	Total
	$	$	$	$	$	$
Receivables - general	(59,765)	33,197	3,300	0	38,103	14,835
Percentage	(402.9%)	223.8%	22.2%	0.0%	256.8%	
Balance per trial balance						
Trade receivables						14,835
GST receivable						68,623
Total receivables general outstanding						**83,458**

Amounts shown above include GST (where applicable)



KEY INFORMATION

Trade and other receivables include amounts due from ratepayers for unpaid rates and service charges and other amounts due from third parties for goods sold and services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade receivables are recognised at original invoice amount less any allowances for uncollectable amounts (i.e. impairment). The carrying amount of net trade receivables is equivalent to fair value as it is due for settlement within 30 days.

Classification and subsequent measurement

Receivables which are generally due for settlement within 30 days except rates receivables which are expected to be collected within 12 months are classified as current assets. All other receivables such as, deferred pensioner rates receivable after the end of the reporting period are classified as non-current assets.

Trade and other receivables are held with the objective to collect the contractual cashflows and therefore the Shire measures them subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

8 OTHER CURRENT ASSETS

Other current assets	Opening Balance 1 July 2026	Asset Increase	Asset Reduction	Closing Balance 30 September 2026
	$	$	$	$
Inventory				
Fuel and Oils	530,138	2	0	530,140
Total other current assets	**530,138**	**2**	**0**	**530,140**

Amounts shown above include GST (where applicable)

KEY INFORMATION

Inventory
Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.
Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

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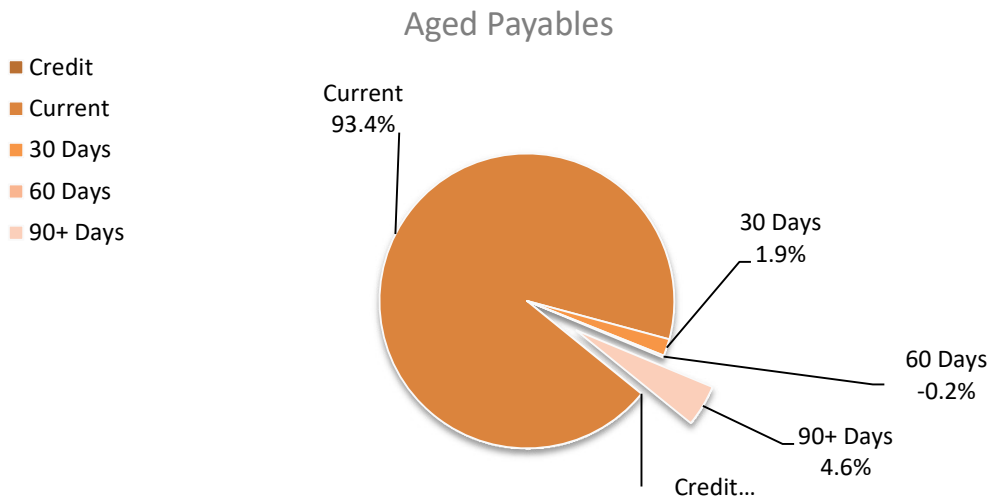
9 PAYABLES

Payables - general	Credit	Current	30 Days	60 Days	90+ Days	Total
	$	$	$	$	$	$
Payables - general	0	383,654	7,634	(925)	18,762	409,125
Percentage	0.0%	93.8%	1.9%	-0.2%	4.6%	
Balance per trial balance						
Sundry creditors	0	409,125	0	0	0	409,125
ATO liabilities	0	54,646	0	0	0	54,646
Bond Held	0	23,296	0	0	0	23,296
Excess rates	0	142,550	0	0	0	142,550
Other payables	0	13,271	0	0	0	13,271
Total payables general outstanding						**642,888**

Amounts shown above include GST (where applicable)

KEY INFORMATION

Trade and other payables represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Shire prior to the end of the period that are unpaid and arise when the Shire becomes obliged to make future payments in respect of the purchase of these goods and services. The amounts are unsecured, are recognised as a current liability and are normally paid within 30 days of recognition.
The carrying amounts of trade and other payables are considered to be the same as their fair values, due to their short-term nature.



10 OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES

Other current liabilities	Note	Opening Balance 1 July 2026	Liability transferred from/(to) non current	Liability Increase	Liability Reduction	Closing Balance 30 September 2026
		$	$	$	$	$
Employee Related Provisions						
Provision for annual leave		201,589	0	0	0	201,589
Provision for long service leave		49,868	0	0	0	49,868
Total Provisions		251,457	0	0	0	251,457
Total other current liabilities		**251,457**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**251,457**

Amounts shown above include GST (where applicable)

KEY INFORMATION

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Shire has a present legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured.
Provisions are measured using the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

Employee Related Provisions

Short-term employee benefits

Provision is made for the Shire's obligations for short-term employee benefits. Short-term employee benefits are benefits (other than termination benefits) that are expected to be settled wholly before 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service, including wages, salaries and sick leave. Short-term employee benefits are measured at the (undiscounted) amounts expected to be paid when the obligation is settled.
The Shire's obligations for short-term employee benefits such as wages, salaries and sick leave are recognised as a part of current trade and other payables in the calculation of net current assets.

Other long-term employee benefits

The Shire's obligations for employees' annual leave and long service leave entitlements are recognised as employee related provisions in the statement of financial position.

Long-term employee benefits are measured at the present value of the expected future payments to be made to employees. Expected future payments incorporate anticipated future wage and salary levels, durations of service and employee departures and are discounted at rates determined by reference to market yields at the end of the reporting period on government bonds that have maturity dates that approximate the terms of the obligations. Any remeasurements for changes in assumptions of obligations for other long-term employee benefits are recognised in profit or loss in the periods in which the changes occur. The Shire's obligations for long-term employee benefits are presented as non-current provisions in its statement of financial position, except where the Shire does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the end of the reporting period, in which case the obligations are presented as current provisions.

Contract liabilities

An entity's obligation to transfer goods or services to a customer for which the entity has received consideration (or the amount is due) from the customer.

Capital grant/contribution liabilities

Grants to acquire or construct recognisable non-financial assets to identified specifications be constructed to be controlled by the Shire are recognised as a liability until such time as the Shire satisfies its obligations under the agreement.

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11 GRANTS, SUBSIDIES AND CONTRIBUTIONS

				Grants, subsidies and contributions revenue		
		Provider	Program	Adopted Budget Revenue	YTD Budget	YTD Revenue Actual
				$	$	$
COA	*IE*					
0181	52	Financial Assistance Grant	General Purpose Funding	300,000	75,000	291,702
211	52	Local Road Grant	General Purpose Funding	200,000	49,998	0
1563	52	D.F.E.S. Operating Grant	Law, Order, Public Safety	8,000	1,998	0
2003	52	S.E.S. Operating Grant	Law, Order, Public Safety	10,000	2,499	4,013
2419	52	Youth Grant - O.S.H.C. Program	Education And Welfare	50,000	12,498	12,993
2421	52	Youth Services Grant - D.C.P. - W.A.	Education And Welfare	100,000	24,999	30,023
4591	52	Mrwa - Direct Grant	Transport	500,000	124,998	0
4823	55	Reimbursements - Transport	Transport	0	0	0
4843	52	Street - Lighting - Operating Grant	Transport	8,000	1,998	0
8153	55	Reimbursement - Gst Free	Other Property And Services	0	0	213
5393	52	Festival Income Tourism	Other Property And Services	50,000	12,498	50,000
5393	55	Festival Income Tourism	Other Property And Services	100,000	24,999	37,000
				1,326,000	**331,485**	**425,944**

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12 CAPITAL GRANTS, SUBSIDIES AND CONTRIBUTIONS

				Capital grants, subsidies and contributions revenue			
				Adopted Budget	YTD	YTD Revenue	
		Provider	Program	Revenue	Budget	Actual	Comment
COA	*IE*				$	$	
4691	48	Mrwa Road Project Grant (Rrg)	Transport	900,000	225,000	0	
2008	48	Ses Capital Grant	Law,Order and Public Safety	41,000	10,248	0	
2993	48	Contribution - Sewage Ponds Upgrade	Community Amenities	375,000	93,750	0	
3713	48	Recreation Grants	Recreation & Culture	50,000	12,498	0	
4621	50	R2R Grant	Transport	6,900,000	1,725,000	0	
4622	48	Grant - Heavy Vehicles Rest Area Initiative (Hvrai)	Transport	240,000	60,000	0	
4672	49	Road Agreement - Westgold Mt Clere Road	Transport	1,000,000	249,999	0	
4673	49	Road Agreement - Mega Resources Pty Ltd (Tumblegui	Transport	1,000,000	249,999	0	
4671	49	Floodway Contributions	Transport	0	0	0	
				10,506,000	**2,626,494**	**0**	

SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2026

13 BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Amendments to original budget since budget adoption. Surplus/(Deficit)

Description	Council Resolution	Account	Original Budget	Classification	Current Budget	Non Cash Adjustment	Increase in Available Cash	Decrease in Available Cash	Amended Budget Running Balance
						$	$	$	$
Budget adoption closing Surplus/(Deficit)				Surplus/(Deficit)	**0**			**0**	0
Varience currently				Opening surplus(deficit)				(220)	(220)
									(220)
									(220)
							0	**(220)**	**(220)**

10.3 Regional Approach to Pastoral and Community Animal Health Program

File Reference	**EM.AF.001**
Author	**N Cain, Chief Executive Officer**
Author's Interest	**Nil**
Authoriser	**N Cain, Chief Executive Officer**
Authoriser's Interest	**Nil**
Applicant / Respondent	**Nil**
Report Date	**12 October 2026**

Summary

The Murchison Executive Group met recently to discuss, amongst other matters, the impending cessation of the regionally delivered Remote Outreach Animal De-sexing Program.

The Program, which has been operating across Western Australia for 16 years, relies primarily on funding from the Department of Primary Industry and Regional Development Wild Dog Action Plan which ends in 2026.

Council is requested to consider in-principle financial and in-kind support for a regional approach to Pastoral and Community Animal Health.

Attachments

Nil

Background

Murdoch on the ROAD (Remote Outreach Animal De-sexing) is a veterinary outreach program delivered by the School of Veterinary Medicine at Murdoch University and coordinated by Dr Nicole Laing.

The program provides de-sexing, vaccination, parasite control, microchipping, and basic animal healthcare in regional and remote communities who have limited access to routine veterinary services.

The program assists animal population management and animal welfare, supports community wellbeing, and provides practical experience for final-year veterinary students working in regional and remote locations.

In correspondence dated Saturday 4 July 2026, Dr Laing advised of the cessation of funding through the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (the Department) Wild Dog Action Plan after 2026.

The planned 2026 programs are unaffected.

Further correspondence dated Friday 24 July 2026 advised remaining funds should allow the program to continue into 2027.

Continued delivery beyond the available funding depends on securing alternative support.

The historical Department contribution was $145,000 annually.

Combined with substantial in-kind assistance from shires and communities, this amount funded five two-week programs each year, delivered by a team of ten people.

Each program costs approximately $20,000 to $25,000, which covers consumables, equipment, vehicle hire, and freight.

Costs vary between trips, particularly where airfares and accommodation are required.

Most of the workforce is voluntary.

The veterinary nurse is the only paid team member on each trip, and Murdoch University provides partial in-kind support for Dr Laing's time.

Dr Laing is exploring grants and other funding sources and anticipates a combination of funding sources may be required to continue the program.

The Murchison Executive Group (comprising the Chief Executive Officers of the Murchison Region) met on Thursday 20 August 2026 and proposed a coordinated response from the seven Murchison shires could be considered, with each Council to separately consider the proposal.

The recommendation seeks in-principle support, a costed proposal, and Council consideration of annual contributions.

Comment

Access to veterinary services is an ongoing challenge for regional and remote communities.

The Murchison Executive Group report identifies the Murdoch program as the only consistent veterinary service available across much of the region.

Loss of the service would reduce access to preventative animal healthcare and animal population control.

The proposal has benefits for the pastoral industry and the wider community and specifically notes uncontrolled domestic dog populations can contribute to the regional wild dog problem.

Cats, if not de-sexed, also lead to higher rates of feral cat populations.

Regular de-sexing, microchipping, and preventative care can also reduce wandering animals, complaints, impounding, and the demand for ranger intervention.

Withdrawal of State funding leaves local governments and pastoralists exposed to the consequences of reduced pest-animal management, whereas a regional contribution offers a practical means of maintaining access to services and sharing costs across participating districts.

The proposed regional arrangement seeks to increase visit frequency to at least twice each year (instead of a single visit) in every participating district and make the service available to all community-owned animals, irrespective of ownership.

Murdoch University has been requested to confirm the existing eligibility arrangements and the capacity and cost of extending coverage and an in-principle commitment from Council would assist the University with planning and applications for external funding.

Regional contributions will assist in supplementing grants, philanthropic support, and other funding where possible.

The regional assistance / support is only in the initial stages of exploration with a view to ensuring the continuation of the program.

It is anticipated the final proposal will identify all funding sources and explain how additional support would reduce local government contributions or improve service delivery (e.g., more often than two visits per annum).

The final costed proposal will likely also specify the services and animal species covered, treatment capacity, eligibility, any owner charges, visit schedule, contribution method, and local support requirements, with the schedule and funding needing to demonstrate, as a minimum, the capacity to meet two visits per annum as a service objective.

Any contribution payable by the Shire will need to be agreed in advance.

Any agreement reached will need to note any reduced participation should result in an adjusted service scope or a further Council decision, rather than an automatic increase in the Shire of Meekatharra's contribution.

Local support is expected to include a suitable venue, power and water, accommodation assistance, promotion, and coordination of bookings, which has typically been provided by the Shire.

Any involvement with Aboriginal communities will need to be coordinated directly with those communities due to varied access, locations, and delivery arrangements.

Support for the regional proposal would allow the Shire to continue considering other veterinary providers where additional services are required.

The regional arrangement is intended to establish a reliable minimum level of service across participating districts.

Council could choose to –

- Not support the proposal seeking in-principle support, a costed proposal, and Council consideration of annual contributions towards a regional approach to a Pastoral and Community Animal Health Program, which may end the program in Meekatharra, or
- Consider support of an alternative model, or
- Support the proposal.

Shire officers recommend Council provide in-principle support for a regional approach to a Pastoral and Community Animal Health Program, which may incur funding requirements in future budgets.

Consultation

Western Australian Local Government Association
Murchison Shire Councils
Murdoch University

Statutory Implications

Local Government Act 1995
Section 3.1 General function
This section identifies the general function of local government is to provide for the good government of persons in its district and requires consideration of economic, social and environmental sustainability, long-term consequences, the interests and involvement of Aboriginal people, and collaboration with other local governments.

Local Government Act 1995
Section 3.57 Tenders for providing goods or services

Procurement requirements must be assessed against the structure and total value of the proposed agreement, including its term and any extensions, regardless of the fact it is for the engagement of a university.

Local Government Act 1995
Section 6.2 Local government to prepare annual budget
Any approved contribution, and associated local delivery costs, will need to be included in the relevant budget.

Dog Act 1976
The program will assist animal owners with compliance and support the Shire's animal management functions under this Act.

Cat Act 2011
The program will assist animal owners with compliance and support the Shire's animal management functions under this Act.

Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007
Domestic dog population management is relevant to the regional wild dog management objectives and program participation will complement regional biosecurity activity.

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

The Murchison Executive Group proposal identifies an indicative annual contribution of $8,000 to $10,000 from each participating shire.

Contributions from all seven shires would produce a regional funding pool of between $56,000 and $70,000 annually.

Based on the historical cost of $20,000 to $25,000 for a two-week program, two programs would cost approximately $40,000 to $50,000 before allowances for expanded coverage, coordination, travel variation and contingency.

These figures provide a working estimate and do not confirm the cost of delivering two visits annually to each district.
The Shire's final contribution will be settled against the costed proposal and agreed method of apportionment.

Equal contributions, population, animal numbers and service frequency are possible bases for consideration.

In-kind support and any additional venue, accommodation or operating costs will need to be identified separately.

The recommendation provides for consideration commencing in the 2027-28 Annual Budget and is consistent with each participating local government's approach.

Murdoch University's advice refers to continuation into 2027; the period covered by remaining funds and the commencement date for regional contributions require confirmation.

No expenditure or binding funding commitment is proposed through this item.

The final service and funding arrangements would be presented to Council before an agreement is entered into or a contribution is paid.

Risk Implications

Cessation of the program presents a risk of reduced veterinary access, increased uncontrolled animal populations and greater demand for ranger services.

Early regional planning and support for alternative funding would reduce the likelihood of a service gap.

Delivery relies heavily on voluntary personnel, and a single coordinator and will require Murdoch University to confirm its institutional support, staffing capacity, and succession arrangements before participating shires commit funding.

Costs may exceed the indicative contribution, particularly if fewer shires participate or expanded coverage requires additional trips.

A costed schedule, agreed contribution, and written service scope, will reduce financial exposure.

Any material change will return to Council for consideration.

A regional contribution could replace funding available from other sources with continued pursuit of grants and philanthropic support, together with reporting of total funding and expenditure, will help manage this risk.

Community expectations may exceed treatment capacity or the services offered.

Clear advice on eligibility, visit dates, procedures and any charges would assist residents to understand the available service.

Strategic Implications

Strategic Community Plan 2026
Social – Deliver responsive ranger and animal control services, enhancing safety, compliance, and community confidence.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Recommendation

That Council, pursuant to section 3.1 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, -

1) Acknowledges advice from Murdoch University concerning cessation of the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development Wild Dog Action Plan funding for the "Murdoch on the ROAD" program after 2026, with remaining funds expected to support continuation into 2027,

2) Supports, in principle, establishment of a jointly funded Murchison veterinary outreach program through Murdoch University, seeking a minimum of two visits to each participating district annually and access for all community-owned animals, subject to confirmation of service scope, delivery capacity and cost,

3) Requests the Chief Executive Officer liaise with the Chief Executive Officers of the Murchison shires to obtain a costed proposal from Murdoch University identifying service scope, eligibility, treatment capacity, visit schedule, total annual cost, contribution method, other funding sources and in-kind support required from each host district,

4) Supports consideration of an indicative Shire contribution of $8,000 to $10,000 annually, commencing in the 2027-28 Annual Budget, subject to the costed proposal, confirmation of associated local costs and Council approval of the final funding arrangements,

5) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to provide a letter of support for Murdoch University's applications for grant and philanthropic funding to assist continuation of the program and reduce the funding required from participating local governments,

6) Supports nomination, by agreement between participating shires, of a lead local government to hold the agreement with Murdoch University, administer pooled contributions and report annually on service delivery and expenditure,

7) Requests the Chief Executive Officer present the final service proposal, proposed regional agreement, lead agency arrangements, and the Shire's financial and in-kind commitments to Council for approval before entering a binding arrangement or contributing, and

8) Acknowledges participation in the regional arrangement will not prevent the Shire from separately engaging other veterinary providers to meet additional local needs.

Council Resolution

Resolution	**26/086**
Moved	**A Moses**
Seconded	**J Holden**

That Council, pursuant to section 3.1 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, -

1) Acknowledges advice from Murdoch University concerning cessation of the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development Wild Dog Action Plan funding for the "Murdoch on the ROAD" program after 2026, with remaining funds expected to support continuation into 2027,

2) Supports, in principle, establishment of a jointly funded Murchison veterinary outreach program through Murdoch University, seeking a minimum of two visits to each participating district annually and access for all community-owned animals, subject to confirmation of service scope, delivery capacity and cost,

3) Requests the Chief Executive Officer liaise with the Chief Executive Officers of the Murchison shires to obtain a costed proposal from Murdoch University identifying service scope, eligibility, treatment capacity, visit schedule, total annual cost, contribution method, other funding sources and in-kind support required from each host district,

4) Supports consideration of an indicative Shire contribution of $8,000 to $10,000 annually, commencing in the 2027-28 Annual Budget, subject to the costed proposal, confirmation of associated local costs and Council approval of the final funding arrangements,

5) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to provide a letter of support for Murdoch University's applications for grant and philanthropic funding to assist continuation of the program and reduce the funding required from participating local governments,

6) Supports nomination, by agreement between participating shires, of a lead local government to hold the agreement with Murdoch University, administer pooled contributions and report annually on service delivery and expenditure,

7) Requests the Chief Executive Officer present the final service proposal, proposed regional agreement, lead agency arrangements, and the Shire's financial and in-kind commitments to Council for approval before entering a binding arrangement or contributing, and

8) Acknowledges participation in the regional arrangement will not prevent the Shire from separately engaging other veterinary providers to meet additional local needs.

Vote Outcome	**Carried 7/0**
For	**H Nichols, M Smith, B Day, M Anderson, J Holden, A Moses, M Hall**
Against	**-**
Variation Reason	**-**

10.4 Wastewater Treatment Application – Lot 10 Oliver Street, Meekatharra

File Reference	**SD.AN.001**
Author	**N Cain, Chief Executive Officer**
Author's Interest	**Nil**
Authoriser	**N Cain, Chief Executive Officer**
Authoriser's Interest	**Nil**
Applicant / Respondent	**ATU Sewage Services trading as ATU Wastewater Systems on behalf of Fiduciary Administration Services Pty Ltd ATF Yugunga-Nya People's Trust**
Report Date	**8 October 2026**

Summary

In July 2024 an application was made, and subsequently approved by Landgate in February 2025, for a strata subdivision for 67 Oliver Street, Meekatharra subject to, amongst other requirements, an approved septic tank and leach drain system being installed.

In light of this, an application from ATU Sewage Services trading as ATU Wastewater Systems, on behalf of Fiduciary Administration Services Pty Ltd ATF Yugunga-Nya People's Trust, has been received by the Shire for the installation of an Alternate Treatment Unit, and not a septic tank and leach drain system, to service the location.

Council is requested to not support the application.

Attachments

Nil

Background

In 2024, Hille, Thompson and Delfos, on behalf of Fiduciary Administration Services Pty Ltd ATF Yugunga-Nya People's Trust (FAS), made application to the Shire, via Landgate, for a strata subdivision on Lot 1010 Oliver Street, Meekatharra (Lot 1010).

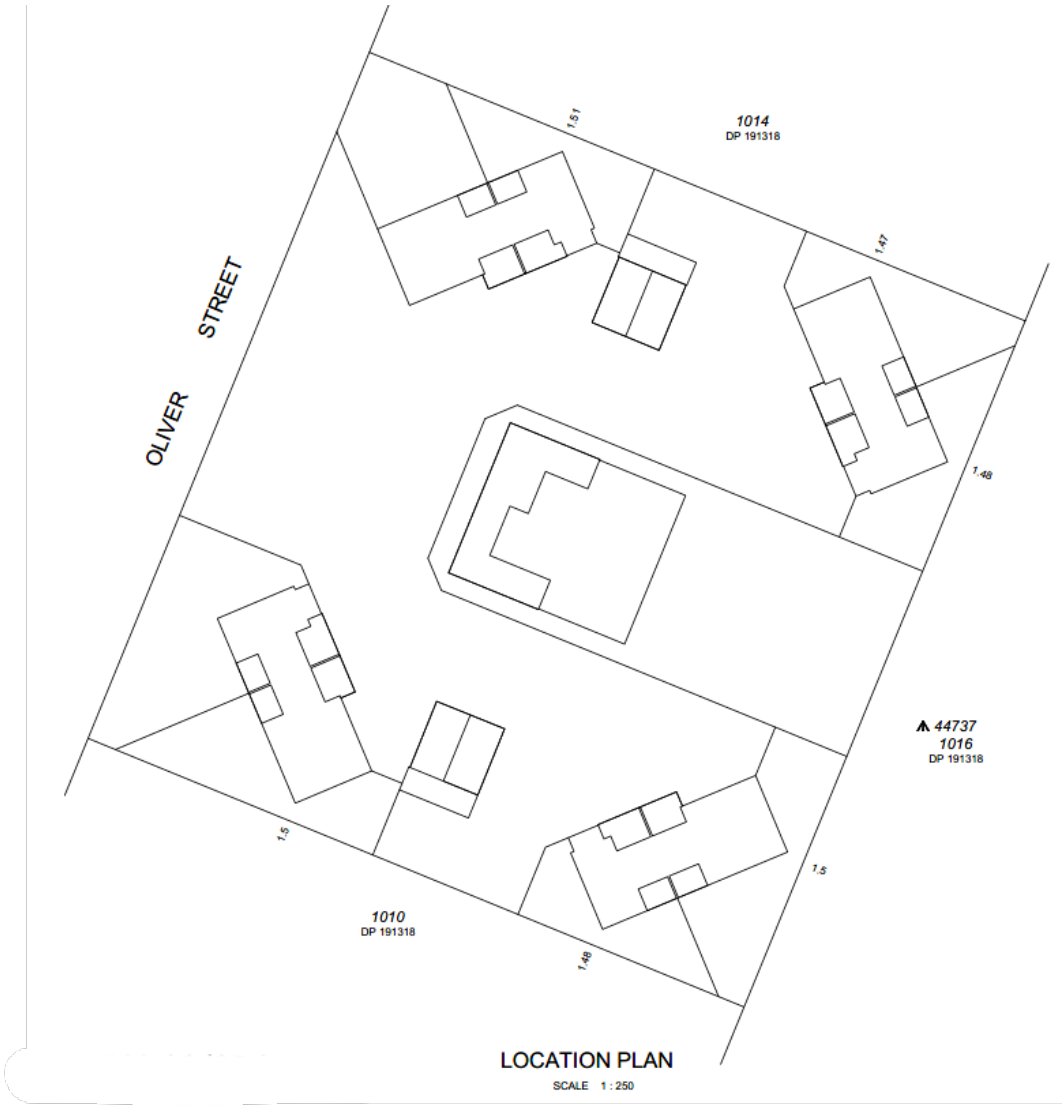
The application encompassed –

- 1 x 3-bedroom unit
- 5 x 2-bedroom units
- 2 x 1-bedroom units
- Community centre
- Carports and storage facilities

In Western Australia, all properties with two or more lots, and shared common property, must operate as a legal strata company made up of all lot owners.

The Community centre and effluent treatment system form part of the common property.

The design, as was provided, is below –



A more detailed breakdown of the application is shown over –



Units 2, 4, 6, and 8 are not supplied with a carport.

Despite the above observation, strata subdivision planning laws meant the application could not be reasonably refused.

Because of a history of poor effluent management regarding this site, the approved application was subject to the installation of a septic tank and leach drain system suitable for the strata subdivision as part of the approval conditions.

In February 2025 the application was approved by Landgate.

The owner explored locating a suitable system on this site and could not do so due to a lack of available space.

In May 2025, Structerre Consulting delivered a Site and Soil Evaluation Report (the Report), commissioned by FAS, for the location.

Structerre Consulting is a multi-disciplinary engineering consultancy with nearly 50 years of operation across Western Australia.

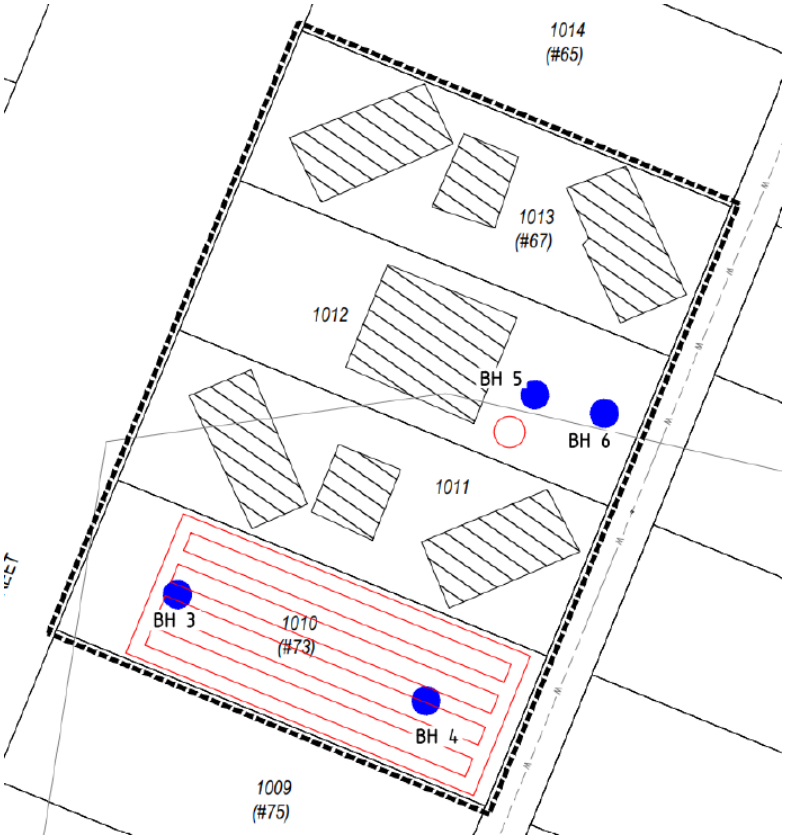
The Report noted –

> "*Due to the remote location, it has been confirmed that the lack of availability of maintenance personnel required to service the existing secondary treatment system in accordance with the Department of Health requirements has been found to be prohibitive*."

The recommendations contained within the Report include –

- *To the existing residence, replace the existing secondary level treatment wastewater system with a primary level treatment wastewater system approved by the Department of Health (DoH). Effluent to be applied to Land Application Area (LAA) leach drain effluent disposal system with a minimum land application area of 1,693 m2 with a minimum of 600mm fill course free draining sand bedding below discharge point*.
- *Existing Lot 1010 (#73) to be used for the Land Application Area to service the existing residences on Lots 1013, 1012 and 1011 (#67)*.
- *All manufactured products selected as part of future detailed design and installation shall be listed on the Department of Health approved products*.

Structerre Consulting's recommended septic tank and leach system design, is below –



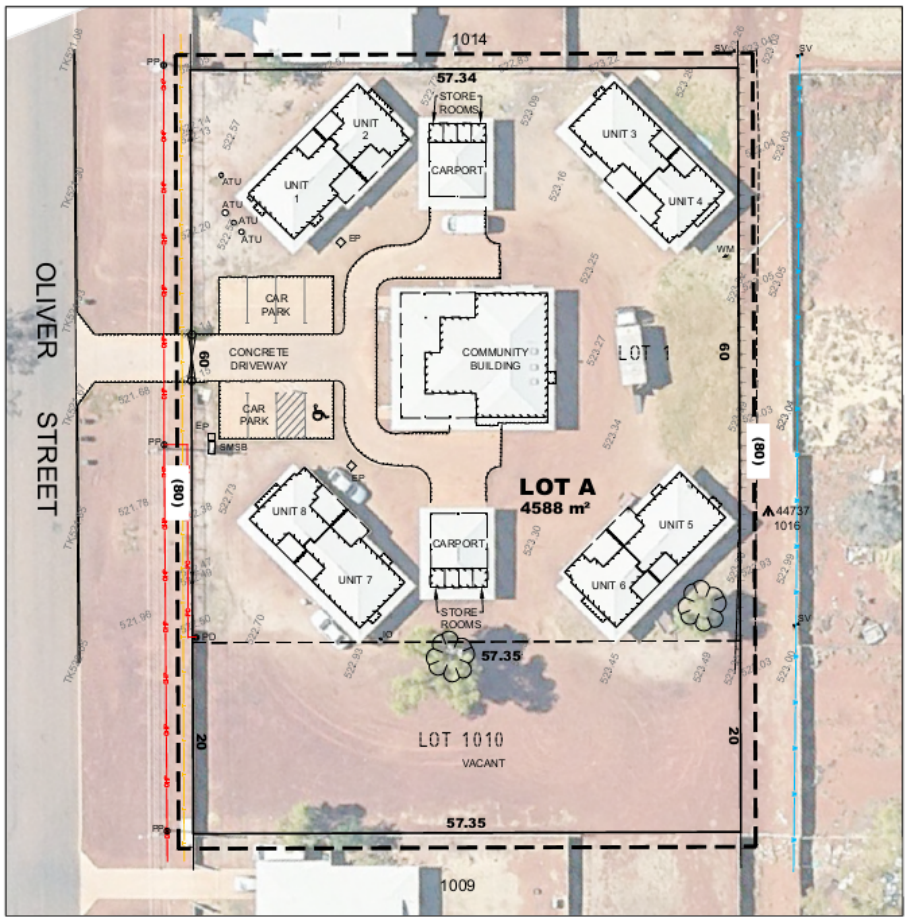
The proposal includes 4 x leach drains, which would accommodate all existing development and meet DoH requirements.

To facilitate this, the land was required to first be amalgamated.

Consequently, an application was made to the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH) by Hille, Thompson and Delfos, on behalf of FAS, in February 2026. for amalgamation of Lot 1 (the newly created strata subdivision lot) and Lot 1010 Oliver Street, Meekatharra.

Lot 1010 is located adjacent to Lot 1 on the southern boundary.

The letter which accompanied the application for amalgamation noted Lot 1010 as "... *vacant and used informally by the occupants of lot 1 for access and parking purposes ...*"



Also within the application was the following statement in support of a traditional septic tank and leach drain system ...

> "*The ATU [Aeration Treatment Unit] system has proven problematic to operate and maintain due to the limited access to plumbers qualified to work on the system in this isolated regional location. It has been proposed to replace the ATU system with a traditional septic tank and leach drain system to service this site which will be located on existing lot 1010.*"

Shire officers were asked to comment on the above proposal by DPLH.

Given the primary approval condition of the previous strata subdivision application was for a septic tank and leach drain system, and this was now being met, the request for support could not be reasonably refused by Shire officers.

Shire officers commented the amalgamation required, in reinforcement of the original approval condition, for any new installation to be of a traditional septic tank and leach drain system.

It is understood this requirement also formed part of the conditions of approval to amalgamate Lot 1 and Lot 1010 (creating Lot 10 Oliver Street).

In July 2026 an *Application to Construct or Install an Apparatus for the Treatment of Sewage* was received from ATU Sewage Services trading as ATU Wastewater Systems on behalf of FAS to install a Secondary Treatment System (STS) on the newly created Lot 10.



The proposed system uses the existing powered ATU (two circles in the top left corner) to pump across to a new powered ATU system (four circles in the bottom left corner).

The new system will treat the water and then irrigate via subsurface reticulation approximately 800 square metres on the vacant lot (the green area).

The Shire of Meekatharra's Environmental Health Service identified the proposed STS as meeting suitability requirements for this amalgamated lot and were preparing to forward the application through to DoH as is required.

Shire officers, however, noted it is not a traditional septic tank and leach drain system as was identified as part of the amalgamation process and paused the application from going through to DoH.

Shire officers have since met with representatives of FAS and ATU Sewage Services and reiterated the requirement for the development to have a non-powered traditional septic tank

and leach drain system, as per the engineering report, and as an approval condition during the amalgamation process.

FAS have advised –

> *"As noted in the original amalgamation application, the proposed system was a traditional septic tank and leach drain. However, after obtaining cost estimates, we found that the installation costs were significantly higher than anticipated and beyond what the Trust could reasonably support. As Trustee, we have a responsibility to manage Trust funds carefully and ensure they are used in the best interests of beneficiaries. With this in mind, we have investigated alternative wastewater treatment options that meet compliance requirements while also being more financially sustainable for the Trust in the long term.*
>
> *In our discussions we identified the uncertain future of the trust and the desire to do what we can whilst the trust is capable of improving the sanitation at the housing."*

FAS have requested the matter be brought before Council for a determination to support or not support the proposed installation of a Secondary Treatment System (STS) on the newly created Lot 10.

Important to note is DoH is the approving body, and not the Shire of Meekatharra, and so Council may only form an opinion which will be provided to DoH as part of the application.

Comment

Shire officers have dealt with health and compliance matters regarding this parcel of land on a regular basis.

It is not uncommon for Shire officers to attend the site and for raw effluent to be draining down the trafficable part of Oliver Street due to the current system not operating effectively, or for effluent to be leaking from broken pipes amongst the overgrown ATU irrigated watering areas.

It is primarily for these reasons the requirement for a traditional septic tank and leach drain system was included in the conditions for approval to amalgamate, with this matter being supported by the engineering consultant engaged by FAS.

Shire officers hold concerns for any powered system which will require ongoing and regular maintenance.

Indeed, the applicant (FAS) twice acknowledged the difficulty in having these units serviced on an ongoing basis in their documentation seeking amalgamation of the lots.

Additionally, as FAS have now advised they are unlikely to retain Yugunga-Nya trust funds for the ongoing maintenance and upkeep of this community housing area, which includes paying the power bills and mowing / slashing the site, Shire officers are less inclined to support the proposed ATU system installation fearing this will lead to a further breakdown of systems and, now, without a single, financially viable agent to direct concerns to.

Shire officers do not support the installation of a Secondary Treatment System (STS) on the newly created Lot 10 for the reasons provided.

Council could choose to –

- Resolve against the Officer recommendation and support the installation of a Secondary Treatment System (STS) on the newly created Lot 10, and direct the Chief Executive Officer accordingly, or
- Resolve to not support the application and advise DoH accordingly.

It is recommended Council support the Officer recommendation in not supporting the application.

Consultation

Council members
Shire consultants
Shire officers
Legal representatives

Statutory Implications

Local Government Act 1995
Section 3.1 General function
Amongst other functions, local governments are to provide for the good government of persons within the district.

Health (Treatment of Sewage and Disposal of Effluent and Liquid Waste) Regulations 1974
Regulation 4 Approval of construction or installation of an apparatus by local government
A local government may approve of an effluent disposal apparatus if it is for a single dwelling or any other building which produces not more than 540 litres of sewage per day.

Health (Treatment of Sewage and Disposal of Effluent and Liquid Waste) Regulations 1974
Regulation 4A Approval of construction or installation of an apparatus by Executive Director, Public Health
A local government may provide a report to the Executive Director, Public Health recommending whether an approval should be granted and any conditions any such approval should be subject to.

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

No material direct financial implications are anticipated.

Risk Implications

Noting the advice from FAS regarding the uncertain future of funds to the Yugunga-Nya property, the risk of failure through a lack of constant power (power disconnection) and lack of regular professional oversight (as stated throughout by FAS as the reason for needing a new system) is heightened.

System failure is likely to lead to environmental contamination through the discharge of raw or partially treated sewage onto the ground, risking exposure to the residents, neighbours, and public.

An unpowered traditional septic tank and leach drain system does not require as much maintenance and should last for many years before any funds are required to be spent emptying the system.

Strategic Implications

Strategic Community Plan 2026
Economic – Support economic growth through safe and efficient planning, building and environmental health services.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Recommendation

That Council, regarding the Wastewater Treatment Application for Lot 10 Oliver Street, Meekatharra, received from ATU Sewage Services trading as ATU Wastewater Systems on behalf of Fiduciary Administration Services Pty Ltd ATF Yugunga-Nya People's Trust, and pursuant to regulation 4A of the *Health (Treatment of Sewage and Disposal of Effluent and Liquid Waste) Regulations 1974* –

1) Does not support the application as Council –

   a) is of the opinion it does not align with the provided application conditions required as part of the purposes for amalgamating the previous lots which were underlying the creation of Lot 10, and

   b) holds concerns for the ongoing effective viability, maintenance, and upkeep of the system in the likely event the Trust is non-existent or disbanded, and

2) Directs the Chief Executive Officer to advise the Executive Director, Public Health of Council's position the application for approval should not be granted.

Council Resolution

Resolution	**26/087**
Moved	**M Anderson**
Seconded	**A Moses**

That Council, regarding the Wastewater Treatment Application for Lot 10 Oliver Street, Meekatharra, received from ATU Sewage Services trading as ATU Wastewater Systems on behalf of Fiduciary Administration Services Pty Ltd ATF Yugunga-Nya People's Trust, and pursuant to regulation 4A of the *Health (Treatment of Sewage and Disposal of Effluent and Liquid Waste) Regulations 1974* –

1) Does not support the application as Council –

   a) is of the opinion it does not align with the provided application conditions required as part of the purposes for amalgamating the previous lots which were underlying the creation of Lot 10, and

   b) holds concerns for the ongoing effective viability, maintenance, and upkeep of the system in the likely event the Trust is non-existent or disbanded, and

2) Directs the Chief Executive Officer to advise the Executive Director, Public Health of Council's position the application for approval should not be granted.

Vote Outcome	**Carried 7/0**
For	**H Nichols, M Smith, B Day, M Anderson, J Holden, A Moses, M Hall**
Against	**-**
Variation Reason	**-**

11 New Business of an Urgent Nature

Nil

12 Confidential Matters

Recommendation

That Council, pursuant to section 5.23 of the *Local Government Act 1995,* closes the meeting to members of the public as it considers the following items to be of a confidential nature –

1. Tender Acceptance – Request for Tender 26-27-01 Meekatharra Parks and Gardens Maintenance (retender)

Council Resolution

Resolution	**26/088**
Moved	**M Smith**
Seconded	**M Hall**

That Council, pursuant to section 5.23 of the *Local Government Act 1995,* closes the meeting to members of the public as it considers the following items to be of a confidential nature –

1. Tender Acceptance – Request for Tender 26-27-01 Meekatharra Parks and Gardens Maintenance (retender)

Vote Outcome	**Carried 7/0**
For	**H Nichols, M Smith, B Day, M Anderson, J Holden, A Moses, M Hall**
Against	**-**
Variation Reason	**-**

12.1 Tender Acceptance – Request for Tender 26-27-01 Meekatharra Parks and Gardens Maintenance (Retender)

File Reference	**CM.TE.025**
Author	**N Cain, Chief Executive Officer**
Author's Interest	**Nil**
Authoriser	**N Cain, Chief Executive Officer**
Authoriser's Interest	**Nil**
Applicant / Respondent	**Confidential**
Report Date	**12 October 2026**

Summary

In September 2026 tender submissions were sought for the maintenance of parks and gardens located in the Meekatharra townsite.

Tender submissions, which closed on Thursday 1 October 2026, have been evaluated.

Council is requested to accept the recommendation regarding progressing Request for Tender 26-27-01 Meekatharra Parks and Gardens Maintenance (Retender).

Council Resolution

Resolution	**26/089**
Moved	**M Anderson**
Seconded	**J Holden**

That Council, regarding Request for Tender 26-27-01 Meekatharra Parks and Gardens Maintenance (Retender), and -

1) Pursuant to Regulation 18 of the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996*, accepts the tender submission received from Yugunga-Nya Native Title Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC at a total contract value of $1,016,552.84 (ex GST) as the most advantageous to Council, and

2) Pursuant to Regulation 20 of the *Local Government (Function and General) Regulations 1996* and Section 5.42 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, authorises the Chief Executive Officer to finalise the contract, subject to any minor variations, based on the particulars outlined in the Request for Tender.

Vote Outcome	**Carried 7/0**
For	**H Nichols, M Smith, B Day, M Anderson, J Holden, A Moses, M Hall**
Against	**-**
Variation Reason	**-**

Council Resolution

Resolution	**26/090**
Moved	**M Smith**
Seconded	**M Hall**

That Council open the meeting to members of the public

Vote Outcome	**Carried 7/0**
For	**H Nichols, M Smith, B Day, M Anderson, A Moses, M Hall**
Against	**-**
Variation Reason	**-**

13 Next Meeting

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held at 11.30am Saturday 21 November 2026 at the Shire of Meekatharra Council Chambers, 75 Main Street, Meekatharra.

14 Closure of Meeting

The meeting closed at 11.42am.