



LITHGOW CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA

FINANCE AND SERVICES COMMITTEE
MEETING OF COUNCIL

TO BE HELD AT

THE ADMINISTRATION CENTRE, LITHGOW

ON

04 NOVEMBER 2008

AT 6.30pm

AGENDA

PRESENT

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC GALLERY - NIL

PRESENTATIONS - NIL

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND SERVICES
COMMITTEE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON 7TH OCTOBER 2008**

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

NOTICES OF MOTION - NIL

NOTICES OF RESCISSION - NIL

MAYORAL MINUTE - NIL

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Regional Services Reports

REPORTS FROM DELEGATES - NIL

COMMITTEE MEETINGS -

Sports Advisory Committee
Tourism Advisory Committee

CLOSED REPORTS - NIL

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

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Commissioner Murrell upheld the appeal from the applicant and concludes in part in clause 104 of the judgement that ".....the proposed development is not inconsistent with the objectives of the zone and the subdivision can coexist and harmonise having regard to the proper management and utilization of this agricultural land as a natural resource." The application was approved subject to compliance with eighty nine (89) conditions.

Council were represented in this appeal by Mr Stephen Griffiths from Pikes Lawyers. Agonic Holdings Pty Ltd were represented by Mr Peter Tomasetti SC, who was instructed by Mr David Balog of DC Balog and Associates.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Whilst there are no implications for any current policies within the purview of the Policy Register, the potential to impact on future council "Planning policy" will need to be considered in conjunction with the upcoming Land Use Strategy and Local Environmental Plan process.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The cost of the appeal to Council was \$87,169.51. Costs were not awarded by the court. The advice from the Department of Primary Industries not to support the application was the determining factor in the application being refused by Council. Accordingly, it would be appropriate for Council to attempt to recover part of the cost of the appeal from the Department of Primary Industries through an approach to the Local State Member. Based on the weight given to the Department of Primary Industries submissions on the application a figure of 80% of costs would not be unreasonable.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The overall implications will be provided to Council by its Solicitors in a précis that they are preparing. However, initial discussions indicate that it would not be advisable to pursue an appeal.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information on the results of the appeal be noted and the Member for Bathurst, Gerard Martin MP, be requested to make representations to the appropriate Minister for the Department of Primary Industries to fund eighty percent (80%) of Council's costs in the matter.

ITEM:2 REG - 04/11/08 - SOUTH LITTLETON COMMUNITY HALL**REPORT FROM: GROUP MANAGER REGIONAL SERVICES – ANDREW MUIR**

SUMMARY

Council at its meeting of 4/12/06 resolved to allocate \$10,965 towards improvements to the South Littleton Community Hall. Following commencement of this work it has become evident that the condition of the building is worse than anticipated and consideration should be given to its demolition.

COMMENTARY

A previous report to Council on 4/12/06 recommended that demolition of the building be considered in conjunction with Council's budget deliberations for 2007/08 because of its poor state of repair. Council resolved instead to commence repairs on the building funded through subsequent budgets.

Repairs commenced with the demolition of the dangerous and dilapidated toilet located at the rear of the building. As a result of this work it became evident that the entire rear wall of the hall requires demolition as the wall timbers are rotted and the wall is dangerous. This wall is also clad with asbestos fibro which can only be removed by a licensed asbestos removal contractor. It should also be noted that parts of the building are clad with asbestos fibro sheets. This presents a risk to users of the building should they attempt to attach an item to the wall or disturb the wall cladding in any way.

It is unlikely because of the condition of the building that any work beyond the replacement of the rear wall can be completed with the level of available funding. This will result in a building that cannot be used as the toilet facilities have been demolished as they were also dangerous. The front entry is also considered dangerous and does not meet the requirements for disabled access leaving council vulnerable to a claim under the Disability Discrimination Act.

Should the rear wall of the building be repaired the following work is still necessary to upgrade the building to an acceptable standard:

- Construct a ramp to provide access to the building
- Replacement and repair of all windows and doors
- Removal and construction of new accessible male and female amenities
- Removal and construction of new front verandah
- Replace all defective and damaged dry rot affected wall framing
- Remove all asbestos wall cladding
- Repair and refit kitchen
- Paint internally and externally.

Council would be aware through the Management Plan process that building inspections to determine levels of public risk and safety are being carried out by a qualified architect to a number of council owned buildings. An inspection has been done of the South Littleton Hall and a copy of the report is attached for information.

This report highlights the poor condition of the building and the non-compliance with building standards. The large quantity of asbestos sheeting and lack of any facilities makes the building unusable. The report concludes that all asbestos sheeting should be replaced for safety reasons if public use is contemplated. The cost of repairs is estimated at \$90,000 and demolition is recommended.

A amount of \$10,965 was allocated to the building through the budget which will be fully expended should the reconstruction of the collapsing rear wall proceed. Expenditure of \$90,000 is more than the building is worth and cannot be recommended on a building that has rarely been used in the past and was previously the home of the now abandoned South Littleton Scouts.

The cost of demolition of the building is estimated to be from \$8,000 - \$12,000 because of the Workcover requirements to engage a licensed asbestos removal contractor. Demolition is considered to be the most viable option.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Demolition could be funded from the existing allocation for the building but no funding is available for the repairs as detailed in the architect's report.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

The report from Interface Architect.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the building known as the South Littleton Scout Hall be demolished from the existing budget allocation.

ITEM:3 REG - 04/11/2008 - DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION APPROVALS

REPORT FROM: GROUP MANAGER REGIONAL SERVICES –ANDREW MUIR

SUMMARY

To provide statistical information on Development Applications and Construction Certificates processed.

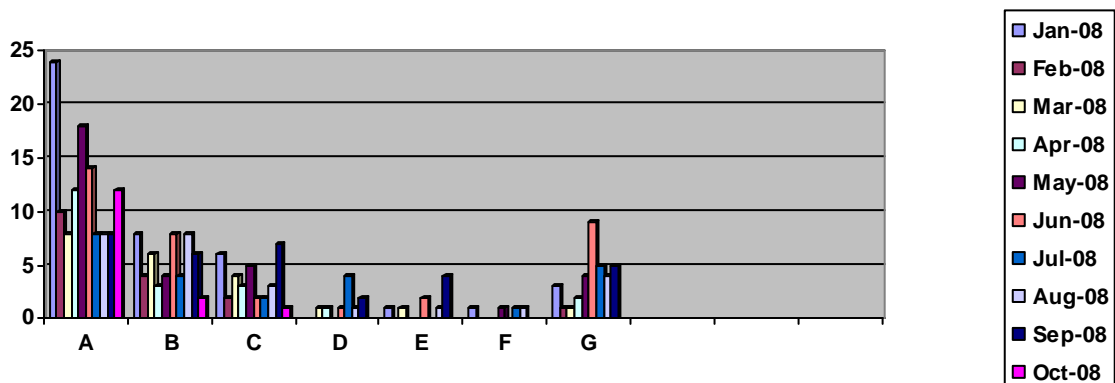
COMMENTARY

The following table indicates Development Applications and Construction Certificates approved in the period between Finance and Services Committee Meetings. A full list of individual applications received and approved is made available to Councillors and the press.

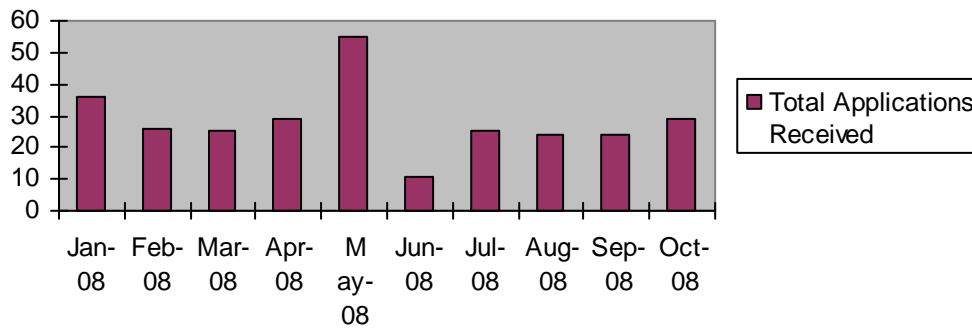
Council should note that the current average approval time for the Calender year to date is 22 days. This covers DA's, CC's, Combined Development and Construction Certificates. He most notable application received involves the re-use of Lidsdale House by Centennial Coal as a base for their western operations.

	Minor Development Approvals (including carports, garages and patios) A	Dwelling Approvals B	Dwelling Addition Approvals C	Other Residential Applications (including Dual Occupancies, Flats D	Rural Subdivision Approvals E	Residential Subdivision Approvals F	Commercial / Industrial Approvals G	Total Applications Received
June 08	14	8	2	1	2	0	9	11
July 08	8	4	2	4	0	1	5	28
August 08	8	8	3	1	1	1	4	24
Septem 08	8	6	7	2	4	0	5	24
October 08	12	2	1	0	0	0	0	29

* includes Approvals from 01/10/2008 TO 27/10/2008



APPROVALS



Total Estimated Cost:	\$622,500
Average Approval Time	25 DAYS
Total Cost of Approvals from 10/12/2007	\$12,193,323
No. of Applications from 10/12/2007 to 30/09/08	258

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council note the information on Development Applications and Construction Certificates processed.

ITEM:4 REG - 04/11/2008 - LITHGOW LOCAL GOVERNMENT WATER USAGE

REPORT FROM: STRATEGIC ENGINEER – LEANNE KEARNEY

REFERENCE

Nil.

SUMMARY

Comparison of water usage figures for 2007 and 2008 within the Lithgow Local Government area.

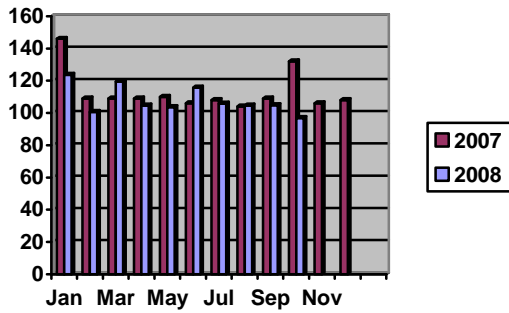
COMMENTARY

Lithgow Local Government Area Water Usage, including use from Farmers Creek Dam and Fish River Water Supply as at 30 September 2008. is provided. It should be noted that Council's maximum annual allocation of water from the Fish River Water Supply is 2,092 megalitres, and to date, Council has utilised 214 megalitres of water from this supply, equating to approximately 10.2% of its annual allocation (allocation issued per financial year, not calendar year).

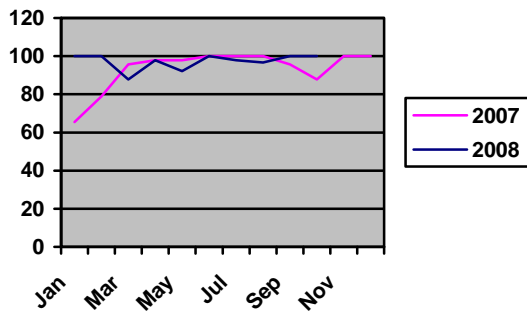
	2007					2008				
	Farmers Creek Dam Level (%)	Oberon Dam Level (%)	Farmers Creek Dam (ML)	Fish River Water Supply (ML)	TOTAL (ML)	Farmers Creek Dam Level (%)	Oberon Dam Level (%)	Farmers Creek Dam (ML)	Fish River Water Supply (ML)	TOTAL (ML)
Jan	65.4	21.5	146.2	93.9	240.1	100	20.2	123.6	103.2	226.8
Feb	78.9	20.8	109.5	72.0	181.5	100	19.3	100.7	64.5	165.2
Mar	95.6	19.7	108.8	59.4	168.2	87.8	18.1	119.4	72.7	192.1
Apr	97.9	17.8	108.8	75.8	184.6	97.9	16.7	104.7	51.1	155.8
May	97.9	17.0	110.4	52.8	163.2	92.2	16.1	103.6	55.3	158.9
Jun	100	18.0	106.2	51.0	157.2	100	15.5	115.8	65.8	181.6
Jul	100	23.7	107.7	67.9	175.6	97.9	15.5	105.9	45.2	151.1
Aug	100	24.2	104.2	49.0	153.2	96.7	15.6	104.6	50.7	155.3
Sep	95.6	23.7	109.4	53.8	163.2	100	17.1	104.9	66.7	171.6
Oct	87.8	23.0	132.3	80.3	212.6	100*	18.3*	96.8*	52.1*	148.9*
Nov	100	22.4	106.5	53.9	160.4					
Dec	100	21.6	107.8	44.7	152.5					
TOTAL			1,357.8	754.5	2,112.3			1,080.0*	627.3*	1,707.3*

* Usage figures up to 27 October 2008

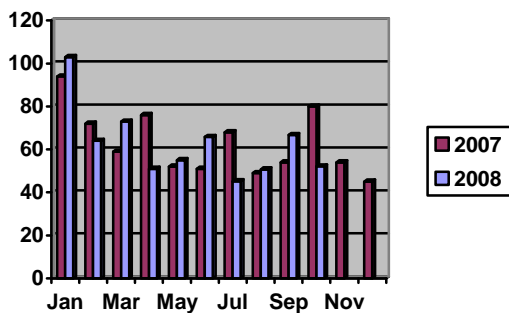
Farmers Creek Dam Usage (ML)



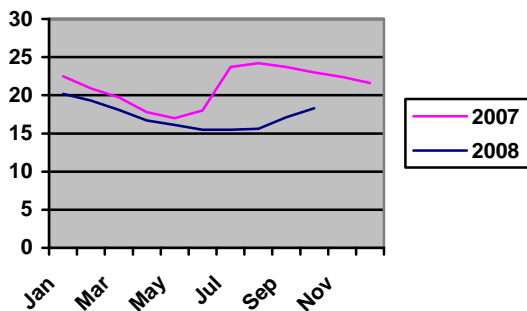
Farmers Creek Dam Storage Levels (%)



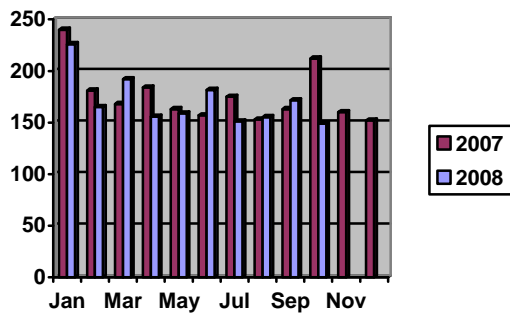
Fish River Water Supply Usage (ML)



Oberon Dam Storage Levels (%)



Total Water Consumption in Lithgow LGA (ML)



Farmers Creek Dam is currently at 100% capacity and Oberon Dam is currently at 18.3% of its full capacity (as at 27 October 2008). The slight increase in the level of Oberon Dam is encouraging.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information be received.

ITEM:5 REG - 04/11/2008 - PUBLIC TOILET PROPOSAL WALLERAWANG**REPORT FROM: ANDREW MUIR - GROUP MANAGER REGIONAL SERVICES****REFERENCE**

Minute No: 02/09/2008 Finance and Services Committee

SUMMARY

Council on 2/9/08 considered a report from the General Manager advising of an approach from Andrew Wilson Photography offering to provide a building to council on railway land at Wallerawang which he is leasing for use as a public toilet. Council resolved to support the proposal in principle and a report be brought back following an assessment of the building.

COMMENTARY

An inspection of an existing building that was used as a toilet many years ago was carried out by Council officers on 2/10/08. This inspection revealed an old existing sandstone building that was an empty shell with no internal walls or operating services. To make the building serviceable the following work would be required:

• Prepare architectural plans detailing male and female and disabled toilet	1100.00
• Provide a water service to the building	1500.00
• Install all necessary internal and external plumbing and drainage	7500.00
• Internal separation walls between male/female/disabled	3500.00
• Internal fit out	9500.00
• Ceiling	1600.00
• Electrical	4000.00
• External paving	2500.00
• Contingency	2500.00
• Legal costs associated with lease	5000.00
	Total
	<u>\$38,700.00</u>

There are no funds currently available to allow Council to enter into negotiations with Andrew Wilson concerning this building. The existing toilet block at Wallerawang is located in Daintree Lane adjacent to the Council depot. This toilet block could be at best described as basic and does not have any accessible facilities. It is also not situated in the most desirable location from a safety and security perspective and is prone to vandalism. Council does have a rolling program to construct or re-furbish one public toilet facility per year with the toilets in Pioneer Park at the top end of Main Street Lithgow targeted for 2008/2009. Funds have been targeted in the 2010/11 financial year to carry out improvements to the facility in Daintree Lane, Wallerawang.

The option to reconstruct the Wallerawang Railway station toilets provides an attractive alternative to upgrading the Daintree Lane toilets as the Railway Station building is in a much more convenient location and would possibly be less prone to vandalism. It also provides the opportunity to work with a building shell to provide a high quality facility for the public. Of course, the legal issues such as access, public risk and lease arrangements would need to be agreed before any work.

Council should be aware that although this is an attractive option for Council, that Andrew Wilson Photography will receive substantial benefit from this work in the form of increased visitation to his business. Andrew Wilson Photography have offered the building to Council through a no charge sub- lease.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The estimated cost of the work is \$38,700. No funds are currently allocated for this purpose and it is not proposed to upgrade Daintree Lane toilets until 2010/2011. Should Council wish to proceed with this project it will need to allocate the necessary funds and in doing so the staff recommendation would be that no impact is created on the 2008/2009 budget bottom line. If final consideration could be in association with the December budget review then possible savings could be examined in other programs to allow the project to be funded.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

It will be necessary to enter into a lease agreement with Andrew Wilson Photography and the council would need to be protected under the terms of the lease in the event that Andrew Wilson Photography and the Australian Rail Track Corporation discontinued their lease arrangements.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council consider the allocation of \$38,700 to the restoration of the old toilet block at Wallerawang Railway Station in the December budget review.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

**ITEM:6 COMM - 04/11/08 - MINUTES OF THE TOURISM ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MEETING OF 8 SEPTEMBER 2008**

REPORT FROM: TOURISM MANAGER - JODIE RAYNER

REFERENCE

Min P08-106: Policy and Strategy Committee 2 September 2008

SUMMARY

This report Details of the Minutes of the Tourism Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8th September 2008 for Council adoption.

COMMENTARY

At the Tourism Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 September 2008, there were four (4) items discussed by the Committee.

Confirmation of Minutes
Report on items from the Tourism Manager
BMTL Report
General Business

The minutes contain updates on the operations of the Lithgow Visitor Information Centre and the Blue Mountains Tourism Limited. There were no issues raised that require a decision of the Council and it is considered that all recommendations be noted by Council as per the attached Minutes.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Minutes of the Tourism Advisory Committee Meeting held on 8th September 2008

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Council note the recommendations of the Tourism Advisory Committee for the meeting held on Monday 8 September 2008.

**ITEM:7 REG - 04/11/08 - SPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE - MINUTES 29
SEPTEMBER 2008 AND 27 OCTOBER 2008****REPORT BY: STRATEGIC ENGINEER – LEANNE KEARNEY**

SUMMARY

Details of the Minutes of the Sports Advisory Committee Meetings held on Monday, 29 September 2008 and Monday, 27 October 2008 for Council adoption.

COMMENTARY

At the Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 29 September 2008, there were twelve (12) items discussed by the Committee, and on Monday, 27 October 2008 there were seventeen (17) items discussed by the Committee, and it is considered that all these items be adopted by Council as per the Committee's recommendations.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Minutes of the Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 29 September 2008.
2. Minutes of the Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 27 October 2008.

RECOMMENDATION**THAT**

1. The Junior Sports Star Award be awarded to Elias Dukes (Motocross) for the month of August 2008, the Senior Sports Star Award be jointly awarded to Amanda Saladine (Hockey) and Tiffany Northey (Hockey) for the month of August 2008, and for merit certificates to be awarded to the other nominees.
2. Permission be granted to the Lithgow Touch Football Association to use Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow, on Monday nights from 13 October 2008 through to the end of March 2009 from 5.30pm until 10.00pm to conduct the 2008/2009 touch football competition.
3. Permission be granted to Wallerawang Public School requesting permission to conduct their annual swimming carnival on Monday, 2 February 2009, with an alternative date of Wednesday, 4 February 2009.

4. Permission be granted to Portland Touch Football Association to use Saville Park, Portland to conduct the 2008/2009 touch football competition on Wednesdays and Thursdays, and on one Sunday to host a knockout, as well as use of Kremer Park, Portland to conduct the finals of the competition on a Sunday.
5. Permission be granted to Ms Cathy Houlison to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow to conduct swimming lessons, subject to a meeting being conducted between Council's Pool Manager and all approved users of the Pool.
6. Permission be granted to Ms Rebekah Murray to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow to conduct a Learn to Swim Programme, subject to a meeting being conducted between Council's Pool Manager and all approved users of the Pool.
7. Council arrange for the patching of the carpark at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow.
8. Council consider including funding in the 2009/2010 draft budget to provide a sealed hardstand in the old caravan park at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow, as well as an allocation for man proof fencing of this area to allow the hockey goals to be securely store whilst not in use.
9. Council consider providing permission and assistance to the Greater Lithgow Hockey Association in relocating two (2) hockey goals from the Glanmire Oval, Lithgow to Zig Zag Oval, Lithgow, as well as disposal of the surplus hockey goals no longer required by the Association.
10. Council note that the Greater Lithgow Hockey Association are experiencing difficulties in recouping costs incurred for the catering for the Great Bike Escapade earlier this year, amounting to approximately \$800.00.
11. A report will be brought back to the next Sports Advisory Committee meeting to clarify the lease agreement between Council and the Lithgow Basketball Association in relation to the Lithgow Indoor Sporting Complex.
12. A letter to be forwarded to the Lithgow Police requesting support be given to sporting organisations who advise them in advance of potential troubles in relation to upcoming large events at sporting facilities in the Lithgow Local Government Area.
13. Council investigate the possibility of straightening the football goal posts from Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow, as well as undertaking any minor repairs and repainting of the posts during the football off season.
14. Council investigate the dead eucalypt trees at the Lithgow Tennis Courts, and provide advice to the Lithgow Tennis Club in relation to flooding issues caused by runoff from the bank.
15. Council grant permission to Angus Place Colliery to undertake repairs to the damaged sight screens located at Conran Oval, Lithgow, on behalf of the Lithgow District Cricket Association.
16. Permission be granted to Mr Danny Whitty to contact Kurt Fearnley to investigate if he is available to be the guest speaker for the 2008 Reg Cowden Memorial Sports Star of the Year Awards.
17. Council arrange for the permanent marking of the cricket boundary at Saville Park, Portland.
18. Council specifically assign the Old Hermitage Colliery site as an area for future use as recreational area to ensure that other forms of development do not occur on this site, and for the Committee to be kept fully apprised of any progress with this matter.

19. Council clear the vegetation overgrowing the plinths at Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow, as well as replace the missing 2 to 3 metres of plinth.
20. permission be granted to the Lithgow Athletics Association to use to use Field 3 at Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow on Friday afternoons in conjunction with their approved booking of Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow to conduct javelin every second week and tots every Friday provided a written request is received.
21. A report be brought back to the Committee on the progress of completing the toilet block at Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow.
22. A report be brought back to the Committee on the gate takings from the Lithgow Flash Gift.
23. Council investigate the provision of ladies sanitary services in the toilets at Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow.
24. The Junior Sports Star Award be awarded to Laura Whichelo (Taekwondo) and the Senior Sports Star Award be awarded to Chris Brown (Rugby League) for the month of September 2008, and for merit certificates to be awarded to the other nominees.
25. Council consider the inclusion of open space areas capable of accommodating sports such as cricket, soccer and football in new residential subdivisions as part of the review of its Local Environmental Plan.
26. Permission be granted to the Western School Sports Association to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow between 9.00am and 3.00pm weekdays from Monday, 1 December 2008 until Friday, 12 December 2008 to conduct the 2008 / 2009 School Swimming Scheme.
27. Permission be granted to Ms Darleen Cheney to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow to conduct swimming lessons.
28. Permission be granted to Lithgow High School to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow on Wednesday, 18 February 2009 to conduct their annual swimming carnival.
29. Permission be granted to Lithgow Primary School to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow on Wednesday, 28 January 2009 to conduct their annual swimming carnival.
30. Permission be granted to Mr Danny Whitty on behalf of the Murray Family, to use Lake Wallace, Wallerawang on Sunday, 8 March 2009 to conduct a family reunion.
31. Permission be granted to the Lithgow Show Society, to use the Civic Ballroom, Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval and Tony Luchetti Sportsground from 26 March 2009 to 7 April 2009, with exclusive use granted from 2 April 2009 to 5 April 2009.
32. permission be granted to Mr Ray Stoneley on behalf of the Western Schools Sports Association, to use Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval and Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow from Wednesday, 5 August 2009 to Friday, 7 August 2009 (with an alternative date of Tuesday, 11 August 2009) to conduct the Western Area CHS Athletics Carnival.
33. permission be granted to Lithgow High School Support Unit on behalf of the Western Schools Sports Association, to use Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval and Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow on Friday, 20 March 2009 (with an alternative date of Friday, 27 March 2009) to conduct their annual Regional Support Unit Athletics Carnival.

34. No objections be raised in relation to the request by the Lithgow District Junior Cricket Association to use Lake Wallace, Wallerawang on Saturday mornings during the 2008 / 2009 junior cricket season provided permission is granted by the Wallerawang Baseball Association.
35. Permission for the Lithgow Storm Junior RLFC to conduct a muster day at Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow on Sunday, 15 February 2009.
36. Council urgently investigate and repair the netting on the cricket training nets at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow.
37. Council investigate the progress of the installation of the secondary lighting above the cricket training nets at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow, and provide a report to the next Committee meeting.
38. Council trim the hedge on Council's side of the fence at the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow.
39. Council investigate the costs of hiring the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow in comparison to venues in surrounding local government areas and provide a report to the next Committee meeting.
40. Council support and investigate funding for the installation of new cricket training nets proposed for Watsford Oval, Lithgow which may be available through the Doug Walters Club, on behalf of the Junior Cricket Association.
41. Council investigate replacing the asphalt run ups of the cricket training nets at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow (causing damage to balls etc), and the need for the netting to be tied down.
42. Council seek quotations for the replacement of the netting of the cricket training nets at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow.
43. Council investigate if the organisers of the Lithgow Flash Gift for 2009 require the use of Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow on Saturday, 28 February 2009 to mark the fields and set up for the event on Sunday, 1 March 2009.
44. Council investigate the report that there have been snakes spotted at Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow, on the side near the horse stables and arrange for any appropriate action to be undertaken.
45. Council arrange for the remarking of the track at Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow, with the markings to be thinner than the previous markings.
46. Council review the current security arrangements for Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow, and provide a report to the next meeting.
47. Council forward a letter to the Portland Owners and Trainers Association advising that the signage was installed for the safety of all users of Kremer Park, Portland, and should be adhered to at all times.

QUESTIONS OF AN URGENT NATURE

ATTACHMENTS

**ITEM:7 REG - 04/11/08 - SPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE - MINUTES 29
 SEPTEMBER 2008 AND 27 OCTOBER 2008**

PRESENT

Mr Andrew Muir (Acting Chairman), Mr Neil Gambrill, Mr Wayne Vought, Mr Mark Cronin, Mr Glen Ryan, Mr Bill Ranse, Ms Deborah Williams, Mrs Nerryl Wood, Mr Danny Whitty, Mrs Robyn Whitty, Mr Eric Arnold, Mr Ray Stoneley, Mrs Jodie Stewart and Miss Leanne Kearney (Strategic Engineer).

APOLOGIES

Mr John Boyd, Ms Deb Martin, and Mr Danny Oldfield (Public Assets Engineer).

The Committee noted that the Mayor Elections are to proceed this meeting, and therefore, there was not a Council representative in attendance at this meeting.

REPORT

ITEM 1 - DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil.

ITEM 2 - MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday, 25 August 2008 were confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

MOVED: Neil Gambrill

SECONDED: Ray Stoneley

ITEM 3 - BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil.

ITEM 4 – 2008 REG COWDEN MEMORIAL SPORTS STAR AWARDS

Junior Nominations for the month of August 2008 were received from the following:

- Zoe Heath (Athletics) – Zoe came 1st in the 14 years Girls 200 metres and 4th in the 14 years girls High Jump at the Western Region CHS Athletics Carnival;
- Jenna Heath (Athletics) – Jenna came 1st in the following 11 years Girls events at the Small Schools District Athletics Carnival - 100 metres (breaking the record), 200 metres, 800 metres, Discus, Long Jump (breaking the record), High Jump and Senior Relay;
- Rene Hunter (Hockey) – Rene competed as part of the Lithgow Under 13's Girls Hockey team at the NSW Half State Titles, and as a result, was selected in the half state squad for selection in the NSW team. Rene attended the state trials, and was selected as one of the two goal keepers for the NSW under 13's Girls Hockey Team;
- Carl Hansen (Soccer) – Carl was a member of the Thistles Under 6 Red Soccer team that were undefeated in the 2008 season. Carl has been nick named the Goal Machine by his coach Renae Brownnett, as during this season Carl scored an amazing 102 goals.

- Elias Dukes (Motocross) – Elias competed in the Rockstar Energy Drink NSW Junior Motocross Championship over 3 rounds, culminating in Elias winning the series with a 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in the final round at Cessnock on 23 August 2008 in the 9 to Under 11 age 65cc division.

The Committee selected Elias Dukes (Motocross) to be the Junior Sports Star winner for the month of August 2008.

MONTH	RECIPIENT
January	Hayden Boyd (Swimming)
February	Jenna Heath (Athletics)
March	Riley Dukes (Motocross)
April	Nil
May	Ben Redding (Hockey)
June	Lithgow District Under 15's Girls Hockey Team (Hockey) and Hayden Boyd (Cross Country)
July	Renae Beutel (Cross Country) and Jaid Godden (Cross Country)
August	Elias Dukes (Motocross)
September	

Senior Nominations for the month of August 2008 were received from the following:

- Amanda Saladine (Hockey) – Amanda competed as a member of the NSW Country Hockey Team at the National Championships in Western Australia, winning the Championship, and was selected as a member of the Australian Country Hockey Team (second year in a row) to compete in Malaysia and Singapore in April 2009.
- Tiffany Northey (Hockey) – Tiffany competed as a member of the NSW Country Hockey Team at the National Championships in Western Australia, winning the Championship, and was selected as a member of the Australian Country Hockey Team to compete in Malaysia and Singapore in April 2009.
- Cheryl Rutherford (Hockey) – Cheryl competed at the State Veteran's Hockey Tournament as a member of the NSW Over 45's Hockey team, which will now compete in Brisbane in September and October 2008.
- Wayne Gaynor (Hockey) – Wayne competed as coach of the NSW Country Hockey Team at the National Championships in Western Australia, with the team winning the Championship.

The Committee selected Amanda Saladine (Hockey) and Tiffany Northey (Hockey) to be the joint Senior Sports Star winner for the month of August 2008.

MONTH	RECIPIENT
January	Dale Ryan (Wood Chopping)
February	Workies Aces Premier League Lawn Bowls Team
March	Nil
April	Sue Brooks (Golf)
May	Alan Mostyn (Hockey) and Robert Redding (Hockey)
June	Nil
July	Nil
August	Amanda Saladine (Hockey) and Tiffany Northey (Hockey)
September	

The Committee recommends that the Junior Sports Star Award be awarded to Elias Dukes (Motocross) for the month of August 2008, the Senior Sports Star Award be jointly awarded to Amanda Saladine (Hockey) and Tiffany Northey (Hockey) for the month of August 2008, and for merit certificates to be awarded to the other nominees.

MOVED: Wayne Vought

SECONDED: Bill Ranse

ITEM 5 – FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS

There were no eligible financial assistance applications received during August 2008.

The Committee recommends that the information be received.

MOVED: Neil Gambrill

SECONDED: Mark Cronin

ITEM 6 – BOOKING REQUEST – TONY LUCHETTI SPORTSGROUND, LITHGOW – LITHGOW TOUCH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

Correspondence has been received from the Lithgow Touch Football Association requesting permission to use Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow, on Monday nights from 13 October 2008 through to the end of March 2009 from 5.30pm until 10.00pm to conduct the 2008/2009 touch football competition.

This booking does not conflict with any other approved booking. The Committee requested that Council arrange for the cricket wickets to be roped off for this booking to prevent any damage occurring to the wickets during this booking.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to the Lithgow Touch Football Association to use Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow, on Monday nights from 13 October 2008 through to the end of March 2009 from 5.30pm until 10.00pm to conduct the 2008/2009 touch football competition.

MOVED: Glen Ryan

SECONDED: Danny Whitty

ITEM 7 – BOOKING REQUEST – LITHGOW WAR MEMORIAL OLYMPIC SWIMMING POOL – WALLERAWANG PUBLIC SCHOOL

Correspondence has been received from Wallerawang Public School requesting permission to conduct their annual swimming carnival on Monday, 2 February 2009, with an alternative date of Wednesday, 4 February 2009.

This booking does not conflict with any other approved booking.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Wallerawang Public School requesting permission to conduct their annual swimming carnival on Monday, 2 February 2009, with an alternative date of Wednesday, 4 February 2009.

MOVED: Bill Ranse

SECONDED: Mark Cronin

ITEM 8 – BOOKING REQUEST – SAVILLE PARK AND KREMER PARK, PORTLAND – PORTLAND TOUCH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

Correspondence has been received from the Portland Touch Football Association requesting permission to use Saville Park, Portland to conduct the 2008/2009 touch football competition, as well as use of Kremer Park, Portland to conduct the finals of the competition on a Sunday.

Fields at Saville Park, Portland are requested on Wednesdays and Thursdays between 4.00pm and 8.00pm from 15 October 2008 until mid April 2009, as well as on one Sunday to host a knockout. The date of this knockout is yet to be determined, however, details will be forwarded to Council once finalised.

As this is Portland Touch Association's 30th year of competition, permission is sought to hold the finals of all the competitions on a Sunday at Kremer Park, Portland, possibly toward the end of March 2009 or mid April 2009.

It should be noted that this request does not conflict with any other approved booking.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Portland Touch Football Association to use Saville Park, Portland to conduct the 2008/2009 touch football competition on Wednesdays and Thursdays, and on one Sunday to host a knockout, as well as use of Kremer Park, Portland to conduct the finals of the competition on a Sunday.

MOVED: Wayne Vought

SECONDED: Ray Stoneley

ITEM 9 – BOOKING REQUEST – LITHGOW WAR MEMORIAL OLYMPIC SWIMMING POOL, LITHGOW – MS CATHY HOULISON

Correspondence has been received from Ms Cathy Houlison requesting permission to conduct swimming lessons at the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool for the 2008/2009 season.

Lessons will be conducted between 9.00am and 4.30pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

This booking does not conflict with any other approved booking, however it is considered appropriate to approve this request subject to a meeting being conducted between Council's Pool Manager and all approved users of the Pool.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Ms Cathy Houlison to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow to conduct swimming lessons, subject to a meeting being conducted between Council's Pool Manager and all approved users of the Pool.

MOVED: Eric Arnold

SECONDED: Robyn Whitty

ITEM 10 – BOOKING REQUEST – LITHGOW WAR MEMORIAL OLYMPIC SWIMMING POOL, LITHGOW – MS REBEKAH MURRAY

Correspondence has been received from Ms Rebekah Murray requesting permission to conduct a Learn to Swim Programme at the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool for the 2008/2009 season.

This booking does not conflict with any other approved booking, however it is considered appropriate to approve this request subject to a meeting being conducted between Council's Pool Manager and all approved users of the Pool.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Ms Rebekah Murray to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow to conduct a Learn to Swim Programme, subject to a meeting being conducted between Council's Pool Manager and all approved users of the Pool.

MOVED: Danny Whitty

SECONDED: Mark Cronin

ITEM 11 – 2008/2009 CAPITAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Minister for Sport and Recreation the Hon Kevin Greene MP, has announced the opening of the 2008/09 Capital Assistance Program. Council has received copies of the application form and guidance notes which are also available on the Department of Sport and Recreation's web site at www.dsr.nsw.gov.au.

Completed application forms should be received on or before the closing date of 14 November 2008. Applications received after this date will be accepted providing they are postmarked no later than 14 November 2008, and should be mailed or hand delivered to:

MAIL:

Capital Assistance Program
Industry Support Unit
NSW Sport & Recreation
Locked Bag 1422
SILVERWATER NSW 2128

HAND DELIVERED:

Capital Assistance Program
Industry Support Unit
NSW Sport & Recreation
Level 3, 6B Figtree Drive
SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK NSW 2127

Council's Grant's Officer, Ms Sara Knox is available to assist organisations in completing the forms for submission, and can be contacted on (02) 6354 9999 during business hours.

The Committee recommends that the information is received.

MOVED: Neil Gambrill

SECONDED: Wayne Vought

ITEM 12 – GENERAL BUSINESS

- Mr Neil Gambrill advised that the Hockey Association requested that the Glanmire Oval, Lithgow carpark be patched over two (2) months ago, and to date, this request has not been action. This request will again be forwarded to Council's Operations Manager for action.
- Mr Neil Gambrill requested Council to consider granting permission for the hockey goals to be stored in the old caravan park area at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow, and requested Council's assistance in providing a sealed hard stand and man proof fencing for this storage. Mr Andrew Muir advised that this item would be included in Council's list of items be considered in the 2009/2010 budget.
- Mr Neil Gambrill requested Council's permission and assistance in relocating two (2) hockey goals from the Glanmire Oval, Lithgow to Zig Zag Oval, Lithgow. It is proposed that during hockey season, these goals can be set up on the oval, and during cricket season, the goals can be moved to an area adjacent to the cricket training nets. Further assistance from Council was requested to dispose of the surplus hockey goals, as the Hockey Association will undertake a condition audit on their existing goals and keep the fourteen (14) goals in the best condition, provide two (2) goals to Zig Zag Oval, and would like the remainder to be removed and disposed of by Council. M Andrew Muir advised that Council's Operations Manager will contact the Hockey Association to arrange an inspection of this project to determine any assistance which can be provided.
- Mr Neil Gambrill advised that the Hockey Association catered for the Great Bike Escapade earlier this year, and to date, have not received an response to their request for reimbursement of over \$800.00 in costs associated with this event. A further letter of demand will be forwarded to the event organisers, however, the Hockey Association may seek Council's assistance in recouping these costs should no response be forthcoming from the event organisers. Neil further recommended that a liaison officer between the Sports Advisory Committee and these event organisers needs to be appointed by Council to ensure that issues like this do not occur.

- Mr Neil Gambrill advised that the summer competition of Indoor Hockey is about to commence, however, during enquiries with the Lithgow Basketball Association, have been advised that the Lithgow Indoor Sporting Complex is only available on Mondays and Fridays. Additional days are required to conduct a successful competition, as there are over 120 junior players, and there is further interest in commencing a senior competition. A report will be brought back to the next Sports Advisory Committee meeting to clarify the lease agreement between Council and the Lithgow Basketball Association in relation to the Lithgow Indoor Sporting Complex, and any recommendations relating to allocation of usage time for users of the centre.
- Mr Neil Gambrill advised that there has recently been some bad publicity in relation to alcohol related events at the Glanmire Oval, Lithgow during hockey games. Neil advised that on the date in question, the Hockey Association did not serve alcohol at the grounds, and that alcohol was being consumed by persons in the carpark, which is an area out of the control of the Hockey Association. As a courtesy, Neil phoned the Lithgow Police at 9.00am on the morning of the event, and requested a Police presence at approximately 3.00pm as he was aware of the conflict between the teams and their supporters. Unfortunately, the Police were unable to attend as agreed due to a number of motor vehicle accidents. The Hockey Association will be forwarding a right of reply to the Lithgow mercury in relation to this publicity. The Committee resolved for a letter to be forwarded to the Lithgow Police requesting support be given to sporting organisation who advise them in advance of potential troubles in relation to upcoming large events.
- Mr Bill Ranse requested Council to investigate the possibility of straightening the football goal posts, as well as undertaking any minor repairs and repainting of the posts during the football off season. Bill further thanked the Sports Advisory Committee and Council for their assistance and support during the 2008 season.
- Ms Deborah Williams advised that there are a number of dead eucalyptus trees at the Lithgow Tennis Courts that require urgent removal, and requested Council's advice in relation to flooding issues caused by runoff from the bank. Council's Operations Manager will investigate this issue and provide a report to the next Sports Advisory Committee.
- Mr Danny Whitty advised that there has been some damage to the sight screen located at Conran Oval, and Angus Place Colliery have advised they are prepared to repair the screens if granted permission from Council. Alternatively, Danny requested that Council consider undertaking these repairs should the offer from Angus Place Colliery be rejected. Council's Operations Manager will investigate this item, and liaise directly with the Cricket Association.
- Mr Danny Whitty advised that he is able to contact Kurt Fearnley to investigate if he is interested in being the guest speaker for the 2008 Reg Cowden Memorial Sports Star of the Year Awards, and the Committee resolved for Danny to investigate and provide a report back to the Committee.
- Mr Danny Whitty requested Council to arrange for the permanent marking of the cricket boundary at Saville Park, Portland.

- Mr Danny Whitty enquired if any progress had been made in relation to the Hermitage Sporting Oval, Lithgow. Mr Andrew Muir advised that no further action had been taken in relation to this issue. The Committee resolved to request Council to specifically assign this area for future use as recreational area to ensure that other forms of development do not occur on this site, and for the Committee to be kept fully apprised of any progress with this matter.
- Mr Neil Gambrill advised that when the Hockey Association upgrade their sand based hockey turf, they will have approximately 150 – 200 tonne of surplus fill material which will need disposing of, and enquired if Council would be able to use the material for filling of the Hermitage Oval site. Mr Andrew Muir advised that Council would need to investigate whether the material was suitable for this purpose prior to a decision being made regarding the acceptance of the material.
- Mr Eric Arnold advised that he had officiated at the recent State All Schools Athletics Carnival, and Tamika Bostock came 6th and Amelia Leard came 4th in the High Jump, both breaking personal best records.
- Mr Ray Stoneley requested Council to clear the vegetation overgrowing the plinths at Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow, as well as replace the missing 2 to 3 metres of plinth.
- Mr Ray Stoneley requested permission for the Lithgow Athletics Club to use Field 3 at Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow on Friday afternoons in conjunction with their approved booking of Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow to conduct javelin every second week and tots every Friday. This booking was approved subject to a written submission.
- Mr Ray Stoneley advised that in the new toilet block at Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow, only one of the three toilets have been installed, and as such, members are having to use the existing facilities at the rear of the Ashley Grandstand. Council's Operations Manager will investigate this issue, and provide a report back to the Committee.
- Mr Ray Stoneley requested an update on the gate takings from the Lithgow Flash Gift, as this funding was originally specified for a scholarship, however, after further discussion it was agreed that the funding raised from gate taking would be used to bring an athletics coach to Lithgow to enable all juniors to benefit from the event, not just one participant. A report will be requested from Council's Tourism Manager in relation to this item.
- Mr Bill Ranse enquired of the progress of the proposed alterations to the public announcement booth at Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow. A report was not available, and will be presented to the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 6.05pm.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT:

1. the Junior Sports Star Award be awarded to Elias Dukes (Motocross) for the month of August 2008, the Senior Sports Star Award be jointly awarded to Amanda Saladine (Hockey) and Tiffany Northey (Hockey) for the month of August 2008, and for merit certificates to be awarded to the other nominees.
2. permission be granted to the Lithgow Touch Football Association to use Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow, on Monday nights from 13 October 2008 through to the end of March 2009 from 5.30pm until 10.00pm to conduct the 2008/2009 touch football competition.
3. permission be granted to Wallerawang Public School requesting permission to conduct their annual swimming carnival on Monday, 2 February 2009, with an alternative date of Wednesday, 4 February 2009.
4. permission be granted to Portland Touch Football Association to use Saville Park, Portland to conduct the 2008/2009 touch football competition on Wednesdays and Thursdays, and on one Sunday to host a knockout, as well as use of Kremer Park, Portland to conduct the finals of the competition on a Sunday.
5. permission be granted to Ms Cathy Houlison to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow to conduct swimming lessons, subject to a meeting being conducted between Council's Pool Manager and all approved users of the Pool.
6. permission be granted to Ms Rebekah Murray to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow to conduct a Learn to Swim Programme, subject to a meeting being conducted between Council's Pool Manager and all approved users of the Pool.
7. Council arrange for the patching of the carpark at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow.
8. Council consider including funding in the 2009/2010 draft budget to provide a sealed hardstand in the old caravan park at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow, as well as an allocation for man proof fencing of this area to allow the hockey goals to be securely store whilst not in use.
9. Council consider providing permission and assistance to the Greater Lithgow Hockey Association in relocating two (2) hockey goals from the Glanmire Oval, Lithgow to Zig Zag Oval, Lithgow, as well as disposal of the surplus hockey goals no longer required by the Association.
10. Council note that the Greater Lithgow Hockey Association are experiencing difficulties in recouping costs incurred for the catering for the Great Bike Escapade earlier this year, amounting to approximately \$800.00.
11. a report will be brought back to the next Sports Advisory Committee meeting to clarify the lease agreement between Council and the Lithgow Basketball Association in relation to the Lithgow Indoor Sporting Complex.
12. a letter to be forwarded to the Lithgow Police requesting support be given to sporting organisations who advise them in advance of potential troubles in relation to upcoming large events at sporting facilities in the Lithgow Local Government Area.
13. Council investigate the possibility of straightening the football goal posts from Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow, as well as undertaking any minor repairs and repainting of the posts during the football off season.

14. Council investigate the dead eucalypt trees at the Lithgow Tennis Courts, and provide advice to the Lithgow Tennis Club in relation to flooding issues caused by runoff from the bank.
15. Council grant permission to Angus Place Colliery to undertake repairs to the damaged sight screens located at Conran Oval, Lithgow, on behalf of the Lithgow District Cricket Association.
16. permission be granted to Mr Danny Whitty to contact Kurt Fearnley to investigate if he is available to be the guest speaker for the 2008 Reg Cowden Memorial Sports Star of the Year Awards.
17. Council arrange for the permanent marking of the cricket boundary at Saville Park, Portland.
18. Council specifically assign the Old Hermitage Colliery site as an area for future use as recreational area to ensure that other forms of development do not occur on this site, and for the Committee to be kept fully apprised of any progress with this matter.
19. Council clear the vegetation overgrowing the plinths at Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow, as well as replace the missing 2 to 3 metres of plinth.
20. permission be granted to the Lithgow Athletics Association to use to use Field 3 at Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow on Friday afternoons in conjunction with their approved booking of Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow to conduct javelin every second week and tots every Friday provided a written request is received.
21. a report be brought back to the Committee on the progress of completing the toilet block at Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow.
22. a report be brought back to the Committee on the gate takings from the Lithgow Flash Gift.

SPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY 27 OCTOBER 2008

PRESENT

Mr Andrew Muir (Acting Chairman), Councillor Ray Thompson, Mr Neil Gambrill, Mr Glen Ryan, Mr Mark Cronin, Mr Russell Blanchard, Mr Bill Ranse, Mr John Boyd, Mr Danny Whitty, Mrs Robyn Whitty, Ms Debbie Williams, Mr Ray Stoneley, Mr Danny Oldfield (Public Assets Engineer), and Miss Leanne Kearney (Strategic Engineer).

APOLOGIES

Councillor Neville Castle (Chairman), Mr Eric Arnold, Mr Wayne Vought and Ms Deb Martin.

REPORT

ITEM 1 - DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil.

ITEM 2 - MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday, 29 September 2008 were confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

MOVED: Ray Stoneley

SECONDED: Neil Gambrill

ITEM 3 - BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- In relation to the Committee's previous enquiry regarding land use in new subdivisions, Council's Strategic Planner has provided a report, as detailed in Item 6 of this meeting. Mr Neil Gambrill thanked Council for this report.
- Mr Ray Stoneley advised that the plinths at Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow have not yet been replaced. This item will be referred to Council's Operations Manager for action.
- Mr Ray Stoneley enquired if any further progress had been made regarding the provision of ladies sanitary services in the toilets at Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow. This issue will be forwarded to Council's Operations Manager for action.
- Mr Ray Stoneley enquired if a report had been brought back regarding the gate takings from the Lithgow Flash Gift. Mr Andrew Muir advised that this will be reported to the next Committee meeting.
- Mr Neil Gambrill enquired if Council had made a decision in relation to the assistance requested by the Lithgow Hockey Association relating to the temporary housing of the hockey goals. Mr Andrew Muir advised that the Committee's minutes from the last meeting will be presented to Council's Finance and Services Committee meeting to be held on Tuesday, 4 November 2008, where a decision will be made.
- Mr Neil Gambrill enquired if a report has been prepared in relation to the usage of the Lithgow Indoor Sports Centre, and Mr Andrew Muir advised that verbal information had been provided, however, Council is still investigating this issue and a report will be provided to the next Committee meeting.

ITEM 4 – 2008 REG COWDEN MEMORIAL SPORTS STAR AWARDS

Junior Nominations for the month of September 2008 were received from the following:

- Zac Ford (Mountain Biking) – Zac competed at the NSW MTB Mountain Cross Championships, placing 4th in the Expert Men's Division even though he was eligible to compete in the Under 17 Division;
- Joel Willis (Mountain Biking) – Joel competed at the NSW MTB Mountain Cross Championships, placing 2nd in the Under 13 Division.
- Cameron Ford (Mountain Biking) – Cameron competed at the NSW MTB Mountain Cross Championships, winning the Under 15 Division.
- Jenna Heath (Athletics) – At the Western Regional Athletics Carnival, Jenna competed as part of the District Small Schools Athletics Team and came 1st in the 200 metres (broke record), 1st in the Long Jump and was also 1st in the heat of the 100 metres but was unable to compete in the final of this event due to injury.
- Zoe Heath (Athletics) – Zoe competed at the NSW Athletics Championships as a member of the Western Region Athletics Team and came 6th in the 90 metres Hurdles and 7th in the 200 metre Hurdles.

- Laura Whichelo (Taekwondo) – Laura won the Australian Taekwondo Black Belt Title in her own age division (10 – 11 years girls) and the next division (12 – 13 years girls) only 5 weeks after breaking her collar bone at school. Laura has now won the Australian Title in all taekwondo belt colours from yellow, blue, red and this year was her first time at the nationals as a black belt competitor, and to win the title in 2 divisions is simply an awesome performance from someone so young.
- Zig Zag Public School Boys Hockey Team (Hockey) – This team won the Western Area PSSA Hockey Championship, as well as the NSW State PSSA Hockey Championships.

The Committee selected Laura Whichelo (Taekwondo) to be the Junior Sports Star winner for the month of September 2008.

MONTH	RECIPIENT
January	Hayden Boyd (Swimming)
February	Jenna Heath (Athletics)
March	Riley Dukes (Motocross)
April	Nil
May	Ben Redding (Hockey)
June	Lithgow District Under 15's Girls Hockey Team (Hockey) and Hayden Boyd (Cross Country)
July	Renaë Beutel (Athletics) and Jaid Godden (Athletics)
August	Elias Dukes (Motocross)
September	Laura Whichelo (Taekwondo)
October	
November	

Senior Nominations for the month of September 2008 were received from the following:

- Chris Brown (Rugby League) – Chris was successful in his first year as coach of the Portland Colts RLFC, guiding them to the finals and taking out the premiership for 2008. Chris was also awarded the Mid West Rugby League's Player of the Year award at the annual presentation night.
- Portland Colts RLFC (Rugby League) – finishing 3rd in the competition they won their final series defeating Wallerawang 42 – 16, Kandos 42 – 18 (at Kandos) and in the grand final defeated Oberon 28 – 22 at Oberon, and were Premiers for 2008.

The Committee selected Chris Brown (Rugby League) to be the Senior Sports Star winner for the month of September 2008.

MONTH	RECIPIENT
January	Dale Ryan (Wood Chopping)
February	Workies Aces Premier League Lawn Bowls Team (Lawn Bowls)
March	Nil
April	Sue Brooks (Golf)
May	Alan Mostyn (Hockey) and Robert Redding (Hockey)
June	Nil
July	Nil
August	Amanda Saladine (Hockey) and Tiffany Northey (Hockey)
September	Chris Brown (Rugby League)
October	
November	

The Committee recommends that the Junior Sports Star Award be awarded to Laura Whichelo (Taekwondo) for the month of September 2008, the Senior Sports Star Award be awarded to Chris Brown (Rugby League) for the month of September 2008, and for merit certificates to be awarded to the other nominees.

MOVED: Neil Gambrill

SECONDED: Ray Stoneley

ITEM 5 – FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS

Nil.

MOVED: Glen Ryan

SECONDED: Debbie Williams

ITEM 6 – LAND USE IN NEW SUBDIVISIONS

At the Committee meeting held on Monday, 25 August 2008, Mr Neil Gambrill requested information regarding the current requirements for developers to contribute toward additional sporting facilities in conjunction with new residential subdivision.

Council's Strategic Planner has advised that Council needs to undertake an Open Space/Recreational Needs Study. This will look at current facilities and their usage, identify unmet needs and the localities where these needs exist. The findings of this can then be fed into Council's Land Use Strategy and Local Environment Plan process, and also into Council's Management Plan. Unfortunately, this Open Space/Recreational Needs Study is not in the management plan to be done until 2009/10 or 2010/11.

Currently Section 94 contributions do not directly relate back to any forward strategic planning. Council usually asks for a pocket park or upgrade of existing facilities, or a monetary contribution that is not currently related back to any defined work schedule. In these circumstances, it is difficult to identify the nexus between new development and the demand for facilities that may arise from that development. Section 94 Contributions can not be used to meet existing demand.

This will be addressed in the upcoming discussion on the formulation of formal Section 94 contributions plan, and formal Planning Agreements Policy. Further information on the legislative requirements of Section 94 Contributions can be found on the Department of Planning website in a series of practice notes on the contributions systems.

Council also negotiates contributions with developers of new residential estates toward the provision and embellishment of open space. Council also seeks dedication of land from developers for the provision of open space.

The Committee noted that other local government areas experiencing residential booms have successful active areas utilised for sport, not just playground equipment and passive parks, and reaffirmed the Committee's views that Lithgow City Council should also be ensuring that its current facilities are not being over used by forward planning to get new sporting areas included in satellite areas.

The Committee also discussed the trend of seasonal creep, where cricket and football seasons are beginning to overlap with increased pressures caused by special events usage of Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow. Mr Bill Ranse also advised the Committee that for the 2009 Rugby League competition, Group 10 and Group 11 will be holding preseason competitions, and it is likely that Lithgow's first game requiring a ground will be conducted on 7 March 2009, which will conflict with the cricket booking. Once a final draw has been provided, Council will endeavour to find a suitable venue for any rugby league games required to be played in Lithgow whilst the current cricket season is in progress.

The Committee recommends that Council consider the inclusion of open space areas capable of accommodating sports such as cricket, soccer and football in new residential subdivisions as part of the review of its Local Environmental Plan.

MOVED: Neil Gambrill

SECONDED: Danny Whitty

ITEM 7 – BOOKING REQUEST – LITHGOW WAR MEMORIAL OLYMPIC SWIMMING POOL, LITHGOW – WESTERN SCHOOL SPORTS ASSOCIATION

Correspondence has been received from the Western School Sports Association requesting permission to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow between 9.00am and 3.00pm weekdays from Monday, 1 December 2008 until Friday, 12 December 2008 to conduct the 2008 / 2009 School Swimming Scheme.

This booking requires the use of two (2) edge lanes with the lane rope removed, as well as use of the Learners Pool. The School Swimming Scheme caters for sixty (60) students per session, with each session running for 45 minutes.

Zig Zag Public School, Wallerawang Public School, and Lithgow Public School will be participating in this programme.

Lithgow High School have an approved booking to conduct their Lifesaving School during the first week requested by the Western School Sports Association, however they have advised that the two (2) events will not conflict, and will still leave adequate space for use by the public.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to the Western School Sports Association to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow between 9.00am and 3.00pm weekdays from Monday, 1 December 2008 until Friday, 12 December 2008 to conduct the 2008 / 2009 School Swimming Scheme.

MOVED: Ray Thompson

SECONDED: Robyn Whitty

ITEM 8 – WALLERAWANG SAILING CLUB INC – ANNUAL REGATTA – LAKE WALLACE, WALLERAWANG

Correspondence has been received from the Wallerawang Sailing Club Inc advising that they will be conducting their Annual Regatta at Lake Wallace, Wallerawang on 8 and 9 November 2008.

The Committee recommends that the information be received.

MOVED: Mark Cronin

SECONDED: Bill Ranse

ITEM 9 – BOOKING REQUEST – LITHGOW WAR MEMORIAL OLYMPIC SWIMMING POOL, LITHGOW – MS DARLEEN CHENEY

Correspondence has been received from Ms Darleen Cheney requesting permission to conduct swimming lessons at the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool for the 2008/2009 season.

Lessons will be conducted for approximately 10 hours per week.

This booking does not conflict with any other approved booking, and a meeting has been conducted with all proposed swimming instructors and the Pool Manager to ensure that no conflict arises between instructors, and allowing adequate availability of the Pool to the public during these lessons.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Ms Darleen Cheney to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow to conduct swimming lessons.

MOVED: Neil Gambrill

SECONDED: Ray Stoneley

ITEM 10 – BOOKING REQUEST – LITHGOW WAR MEMORIAL OLYMPIC SWIMMING POOL, LITHGOW – LITHGOW HIGH SCHOOL

Correspondence has been received from Lithgow High School requesting permission to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow on Wednesday, 18 February 2009 to conduct their annual swimming carnival.

This booking does not conflict with any other approved booking.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Lithgow High School to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow on Wednesday, 18 February 2009 to conduct their annual swimming carnival.

MOVED: John Boyd

SECONDED: Debbie Williams

ITEM 11 - BOOKING REQUEST – LITHGOW WAR MEMORIAL OLYMPIC SWIMMING POOL, LITHGOW – LITHGOW PRIMARY SCHOOL

Correspondence has been received from Lithgow Primary School requesting permission to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow on Wednesday, 28 January 2009 to conduct their annual swimming carnival.

This booking does not conflict with any other approved booking.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Lithgow Primary School to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow on Wednesday, 28 January 2009 to conduct their annual swimming carnival.

MOVED: Glen Ryan

SECONDED: Ray Stoneley

ITEM 12 – BOOKING REQUEST – LAKE WALLACE, WALLERAWANG – MURRAY FAMILY

Correspondence has been received from Mr Danny Whitty on behalf of the Murray Family, requesting permission to use Lake Wallace, Wallerawang on Sunday, 8 March 2009 to conduct a family reunion.

This booking does not conflict with any other approved booking.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Mr Danny Whitty on behalf of the Murray Family, to use Lake Wallace, Wallerawang on Sunday, 8 March 2009 to conduct a family reunion.

MOVED: Ray Thompson

SECONDED: Neil Gambrill

ITEM 13 – BOOKING REQUEST – TONY LUCHETTI SPORTSGROUND, LITHGOW – LITHGOW SHOW SOCIETY

Correspondence has been received from the Lithgow Show Society, requesting permission for exclusive use of Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow to conduct the 2009 Annual Lithgow Show.

The Civic Ballroom, Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval and Tony Luchetti Sportsground are required from 26 March 2009 to 7 April 2009, with exclusive use required from 2 April 2009 to 5 April 2009.

This booking does not conflict with any other approved booking.

Neil Gambrill enquired if there was an agreement with the Show Society to ensure the grounds aren't damaged with any events they conduct as part of the annual Show. Leanne Kearney advised that Council has a Lease Agreement with all major event organisers, and this agreements clearly notes all conditions of use, fees and charges, approved usage dates, and Council's expectations, including no training on the cricket wickets or Number 1 field.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to the Lithgow Show Society, to use the Civic Ballroom, Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval and Tony Luchetti Sportsground from 26 March 2009 to 7 April 2009, with exclusive use granted from 2 April 2009 to 5 April 2009.

MOVED: Neil Gambrill

SECONDED: Danny Whitty

ITEM 14 – BOOKING REQUEST – TONY LUCHETTI SPORTSGROUND AND JIM MONAGHAN ATHLETICS OVAL, LITHGOW - WESTERN SCHOOLS SPORTS ASSOCIATION

Correspondence has been received from Mr Ray Stoneley on behalf of the Western Schools Sports Association, requesting permission to use Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval and Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow on Friday, 7 August 2009 (with an alternative date of Tuesday, 11 August 2009) to conduct the Western Area CHS Athletics Carnival.

The grounds will be required on Wednesday, 5 August 2009 and Thursday, 6 August 2009 to undertake the appropriate field markings for this event. This booking does not conflict with any other approved booking.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Mr Ray Stoneley on behalf of the Western Schools Sports Association, to use Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval and Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow from Wednesday, 5 August 2009 to Friday, 7 August 2009 (with an alternative date of Tuesday, 11 August 2009) to conduct the Western Area CHS Athletics Carnival.

MOVED: Robyn Whitty

SECONDED: Bill Ranse

ITEM 15 – BOOKING REQUEST – TONY LUCHETTI SPORTSGROUND AND JIM MONAGHAN ATHLETICS OVAL, LITHGOW – LITHGOW HIGH SCHOOL

Correspondence has been received from Lithgow High School Support Unit on behalf of the Western Schools Sports Association, requesting permission to use Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval and Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow on Friday, 20 March 2009 (with an alternative date of Friday, 27 March 2009) to conduct their annual Regional Support Unit Athletics Carnival.

This booking does not conflict with any other approved booking.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Lithgow High School Support Unit on behalf of the Western Schools Sports Association, to use Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval and Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow on Friday, 20 March 2009 (with an alternative date of Friday, 27 March 2009) to conduct their annual Regional Support Unit Athletics Carnival.

MOVED: Mark Cronin

SECONDED: Ray Thompson

ITEM 16 – BOOKING REQUEST – LAKE WALLACE, WALLERAWANG - LITHGOW DISTRICT JUNIOR CRICKET ASSOCIATION

Correspondence has been received from the Lithgow District Junior Cricket Association requesting permission to use Lake Wallace, Wallerawang on Saturday mornings during the 2008 / 2009 junior cricket season due to the number of teams registered by the Wallerawang Cricket Club.

This booking does not conflict with any other approved bookings, however, it is believed that the area requested is controlled by the Wallerawang Baseball Association, not Council.

The Committee recommends that no objections be raised in relation to the request by the Lithgow District Junior Cricket Association to use Lake Wallace, Wallerawang on Saturday mornings during the 2008 / 2009 junior cricket season provided permission is granted by the Wallerawang Baseball Association.

MOVED: Bill Ranse

SECONDED: Robyn Whitty

ITEM 17 – GENERAL BUSINESS

- Mr Russell Blanchard requested permission for the Lithgow Storm Junior RLFC to conduct a muster day at Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow on Sunday, 15 February 2009. This booking was approved, and does not conflict with District Cricket.
- Mr Russell Blanchard advised that the netting on the cricket training nets at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow needs repairing urgently, as it currently posed a danger to users with balls being able to travel through the netting. This item will be referred to Council's Operations Manager for urgent action.
- Mr Neil Gambrill enquired of the progress of the installation of the secondary lighting above the cricket training nets at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow. This issue will be referred to Council's Operations Manager for a report.
- Mr John Boyd advised that the Lithgow Swimming Club are in the process of acquiring appropriate public liability insurance to conduct their triathlon on 7 December 2008, and advised that the costs of this event were increasing, however, may be counteracted by some much needed sponsorship.
- Mr John Boyd advised that the hedge on Council's side of the fence at the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow needs radical trimming. This item will be referred to Council's Operations Manager for action.
- Mr John Boyd advised that the Lithgow Swimming Club have raised concerns regarding the fees Council charges for schools to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow for carnivals. In addition to the \$115.00 Council charges, users are required to pay the Lithgow Swimming Club \$100.00 to hire the starting blocks and lane ropes, and the Club are concerned that some users will find other venues to conduct their carnivals at due to the cost, and this will impact financially on the Club. Mr Andrew Muir explained that the fees are set by Council as part of the Annual Management Plan, and Council Officers are not authorised to waive or reduce fees, however, upon application Council may make arrangements with an Applicant who is unable to pay the required fees. Council will investigate the costs of hiring the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow in comparison to venues in surrounding local government areas and provide a report to the next Committee meeting.

- Mr Danny Whitty enquired if Council has made a decision regarding the maintenance on the sight screens at Conran Oval, Lithgow, and Mr Andrew Muir advised that this will be determined at the Finance and Services Meeting on Tuesday, 4 November 2008.
- Mr Danny Whitty advised that funding for the installation of new cricket training nets proposed for Watsford Oval, Lithgow may be available through the Doug Walters Club, however, Council will need to apply on behalf of the Junior Cricket Association, as the grants are only given to junior clubs. The Committee noted that the Lithgow District Junior Cricket Association do not have an ABN and are not registered for GST, and therefore Council would need to apply on the Association's behalf. The Committee agreed to support this project and for Council to investigate this further.
- Mr Danny Whitty advised that the cricket training day was very successful, with the only recommendations from the event being concerns regarding the asphalt run ups of the training nets (causing damage to balls etc), and the need for the netting to be tied down. These items will be referred to Council's Operations Manager for action.
- Mr Neil Gambrill enquired if Council could seek quotations for the replacement of the netting of the cricket training nets at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow. This item will be referred to Council's Operations Manager for action.
- Mr Danny Whitty advised that the Lithgow Flash Gift for 2009 will be held on Sunday, 1 March 2009, and enquired if the organisers had requested the use of Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow on Saturday, 28 February 2009 to mark the fields and set up for the event. Miss Leanne Kearney will investigate this and provide a report back, however, no setting up took place the day prior to the event in 2008, and it would be expected that all setting up would be completed by Friday, 27 February 2009, allowing full use on Saturday, 28 February 2009 by the Lithgow District Cricket Association.
- Mr Danny Whitty advised that he has contacted Kurt Fearnley to be the guest presenter at the 2008 Reg Cowden Memorial Sports Star of the Year Awards, but this will be dependant upon the date of the event. Miss Leanne Kearney advised that the date is flexible anytime during February and March 2009, preferable on a Friday night which will fit in with Kurt's schedule. Mr Danny Whitty will get a list of dates from Kurt to enable preparations for the event to begin.
- Mr Ray Stoneley advised that there have been snakes spotted at Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow, on the side near the horse stables. This issue will be referred to Council's Operations Manager for action.
- Mr Ray Stoneley requested that Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow be remarked. The previous remarking was undertaken approximately 18 months ago and has been great, however, requested that the lines be thinner this time. This item will be referred to Council's Operations Manager for action.
- Mr Ray Stoneley advised that on Friday afternoon at the conclusion of Little Athletics a group of adolescents were noticed drinking in the rotunda at Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow, and Ray enquired if the Little Athletics Association are able to lock the gates once their competitions have finished on Friday afternoons to prevent any vandalism occurring. Council will review the current security arrangements for Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow, and provide a report to the next meeting.

- Mr Danny Whitty advised that members of the Portland Owners and Trainers Association have been parking their vehicles in line with the cricket training nets at Kremer Park, Portland, in contradiction to the signage and agreement between Council, the Portland Owners and Trainers Association and the Lithgow District Cricket Association. Council will forward a letter to the Portland Owners and Trainers Association advising that the signage was installed for the safety of all users of the ground, and should be adhered to at all times.
- Mr Bill Ranse advised that at the Country Rugby League's meeting last week, sale of alcohol was discussed, and the Country Rugby League are moving towards imposing restrictions on this, meaning that any Club applying for a liquor licence for sporting events will only be allowed to sell low and mid strength beers, and no spirits to curb the recent incidences of bad behaviour by spectators.

The meeting closed at 6.28pm.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT

1. Council clear the vegetation overgrowing the plinths at Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow, as well as replace the missing 2 to 3 metres of plinth.
2. Council investigate the provision of ladies sanitary services in the toilets at Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow.
3. a report be brought back to the Committee on the gate takings from the Lithgow Flash Gift.
4. Council arrange for the patching of the carpark at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow.
5. Council consider including funding in the 2009/2010 draft budget to provide a sealed hardstand in the old caravan park at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow, as well as an allocation for man proof fencing of this area to allow the hockey goals to be securely store whilst not in use.
6. Council consider providing permission and assistance to the Greater Lithgow Hockey Association in relocating two (2) hockey goals from the Glanmire Oval, Lithgow to Zig Zag Oval, Lithgow, as well as disposal of the surplus hockey goals no longer required by the Association.
7. a report will be brought back to the next Sports Advisory Committee meeting to clarify the lease agreement between Council and the Lithgow Basketball Association in relation to the Lithgow Indoor Sporting Complex.
8. the Junior Sports Star Award be awarded to Laura Whichelo (Taekwondo) and the Senior Sports Star Award be awarded to Chris Brown (Rugby League) for the month of September 2008, and for merit certificates to be awarded to the other nominees.
9. Council consider the inclusion of open space areas capable of accommodating sports such as cricket, soccer and football in new residential subdivisions as part of the review of its Local Environmental Plan.
10. permission be granted to the Western School Sports Association to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow between 9.00am and 3.00pm weekdays from Monday, 1 December 2008 until Friday, 12 December 2008 to conduct the 2008 / 2009 School Swimming Scheme.
11. permission be granted to Ms Darleen Cheney to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow to conduct swimming lessons.

12. permission be granted to Lithgow High School to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow on Wednesday, 18 February 2009 to conduct their annual swimming carnival.
13. permission be granted to Lithgow Primary School to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow on Wednesday, 28 January 2009 to conduct their annual swimming carnival.
14. permission be granted to Mr Danny Whitty on behalf of the Murray Family, to use Lake Wallace, Wallerawang on Sunday, 8 March 2009 to conduct a family reunion.
15. permission be granted to the Lithgow Show Society, to use the Civic Ballroom, Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval and Tony Luchetti Sportsground from 26 March 2009 to 7 April 2009, with exclusive use granted from 2 April 2009 to 5 April 2009.
16. permission be granted to Mr Ray Stoneley on behalf of the Western Schools Sports Association, to use Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval and Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow from Wednesday, 5 August 2009 to Friday, 7 August 2009 (with an alternative date of Tuesday, 11 August 2009) to conduct the Western Area CHS Athletics Carnival.
17. permission be granted to Lithgow High School Support Unit on behalf of the Western Schools Sports Association, to use Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval and Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow on Friday, 20 March 2009 (with an alternative date of Friday, 27 March 2009) to conduct their annual Regional Support Unit Athletics Carnival.
18. no objections be raised in relation to the request by the Lithgow District Junior Cricket Association to use Lake Wallace, Wallerawang on Saturday mornings during the 2008 / 2009 junior cricket season provided permission is granted by the Wallerawang Baseball Association.
19. permission for the Lithgow Storm Junior RLFC to conduct a muster day at Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow on Sunday, 15 February 2009.
20. Council urgently investigate and repair the netting on the cricket training nets at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow.
21. Council investigate the progress of the installation of the secondary lighting above the cricket training nets at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow, and provide a report to the next Committee meeting.
22. Council trim the hedge on Council's side of the fence at the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow.
23. Council investigate the costs of hiring the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow in comparison to venues in surrounding local government areas and provide a report to the next Committee meeting.
24. Council support and investigate funding for the installation of new cricket training nets proposed for Watsford Oval, Lithgow which may be available through the Doug Walters Club, on behalf of the Junior Cricket Association.
25. Council investigate replacing the asphalt run ups of the cricket training nets at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow (causing damage to balls etc), and the need for the netting to be tied down.
26. Council seek quotations for the replacement of the netting of the cricket training nets at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow.
27. Council investigate if the organisers of the Lithgow Flash Gift for 2009 require the use of Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow on Saturday, 28 February 2009 to mark the fields and set up for the event on Sunday, 1 March 2009.

28. Danny Whitty liaise with Kurt Fearnley to select a date for the 2008 Reg Cowden Memorial Sports Star of the Year Awards.
29. Council investigate the report that there have been snakes spotted at Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow, on the side near the horse stables and arrange for any appropriate action to be undertaken.
30. Council arrange for the remarking of the track at Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow, with the markings to be thinner than the previous markings.
31. Council review the current security arrangements for Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow, and provide a report to the next meeting.
32. Council forward a letter to the Portland Owners and Trainers Association advising that the signage was installed for the safety of all users of Kremer Park, Portland, and should be adhered to at all times.