



SHIRE OF COOLGARDIE

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ANNUAL ELECTORS MEETING

2017/2018

29 January 2019

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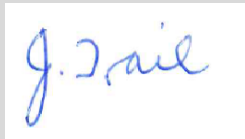
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NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTORS MEETING

Dear Elected Member

The next Annual Electors Meeting of the Shire of Coolgardie will be held on Tuesday 29 January 2019 in the Council Chambers, Bayley Street, Coolgardie commencing at 6:30pm.

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**JAMES TRAIL
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

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- 3.1 *Confirmation of Previous Minutes 16 January 2018*

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Electors of Council 16 January 2018 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

4 RECEIVING OF ANNUAL REPORT

4.1 *Receiving of Annual Report 2017 - 2018*

Location:	Nil
Applicant:	Nil
File Reference:	NAM6732
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	24 January 2019
Author:	Acting Chief Executive Officer, Laura Dwyer

Summary:

The Annual Report provides an overview of the Shire's operations and compliance with policy and legislation as required by the Local Government Act 1995 and associated regulations.

Background:

Annual Reports provide an overview of the operations, activities and major projects undertaken by the Shire for the period.

The report includes major initiatives that are proposed to commence or to continue in the next financial year. The performance of the Council is assessed against the Vision, Objectives and Strategies.

Comment:

The following commentary is an overview of the Shire's financial position as per the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2018.

Over the 2017/18 period, the Shire has shown it is Open For Business by finishing strongly with an operating surplus of \$2,870,477. This is an increase of 14% from the previous financial year and 38% increase from the 2015/16 financial year. As a positive the provision for doubtful debts of \$2,225,472 which was previously included in Note 23 has been rectified over the period, providing a much more accurate reflection of the Shire's financial position.

Focus for the Shire has been on reducing expenditure costs and maintaining a healthy budget surplus. Current Ratio trends see the Shire continuing in a positive upward trajectory over the previous four years, with 2018 seeing 3.21, well above the 1.00 standard.

Total Operating Revenue for the period was \$11.98m for the financial year. Majority of revenue received was through collection of rates at 53%. Non-operating grants provided 14% of revenue with fees and charges 13%, Operating Grants & Contributions 11% and Other Revenue at 9%.

Expenditure over the period saw major projects progressed to a value of \$2,714,002. Funds were spent on Roads \$1,862,386, Parks & Ovals \$231,492, Plant & Equipment \$201,526, Land and Buildings \$88,660, Footpaths & Drainage \$111,626, Sewerage \$63,635 and Other Infrastructure \$154,677.

Reserves accounts have seen a balance of \$3,923,273 leaving the Council well positioned to meet any future requirements outlined in the Shire's key strategic plans.

It is anticipated that in the 2018/19 period the Shire will progress further projects that had been initiated over the 2017/18 financial year. With key projects coming to fruition from previous years work, the Shire

will see greater expenditure including the Coolgardie Innovation and Economic Development Centre, Kambalda Waste Transfer Station and Coolgardie Tip and Kambalda Swimming Pool Upgrade. The annual audit was successfully completed. Continuing measures by Council to pursue practices of good governance by means of implementing service level reviews, financial management reviews, business intelligence tools for reporting and performance management frameworks are positioning the Shire for a positive future.

Attachments:

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Consultation:

Council

Staff

Moore Stephens Chartered Accountants

Statutory Environment:

Local Government Act 1995

Policy Implications:

Nil

Financial Implications:

Nil

Strategic Implications:

Solutions focussed and customer oriented organisation

Attraction, development and retention of a productive and effective workforce

Development of Shire's resources to provide optimum benefit to the community

Effective communication and engagement processes

High quality corporate governance, accountability and compliance.

Voting Requirement: Absolute Majority

Officer Recommendation:

That the Annual Report for the Shire of Coolgardie for the period ending 30 June 2018 be endorsed.

5 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME / OTHER BUSINESS

6 CLOSURE OF MEETING