

MEDIA RELEASE

May Ordinary Council Meeting wrap

13 May 2016

At its May Ordinary Meeting, Buloke Shire Council adopted the latest issue of the Municipal Emergency Management Plan (MEMP) as well as endorsing new agreements with both the Charlton Park Recreation Reserve and the Wycheproof Recreation Reserve Special Committees.

Council adopted the revised MEMP and alongside that both the Municipal Fire Management and Municipal Heat Health sub-plans. These plans will provide Council, council staff and participating agencies with clear emergency planning to support resilient community preparedness.

Council endorsed revised agreements with Charlton Park Committee of Management and the Wycheproof Recreation Reserve Committee of Management as Special Committees of Council. These revised agreements have been made for the purposes of managing the Recreation Reserves.

A permit was issued to the Sea Lake Off Road Racing Inc. granting an extension for the consumption of alcohol over the duration of the Sea Lake Mallee Rally set down for 10-12 June this year. Council will also supply a number of additional bins to alleviate potential waste problems produced by the additional hours of permitted consumption.

Finally, Council endorsed \$3,500 in community grants and sponsorship. The Birchip SES and Wycheproof SES both receive \$1,500 and the Wycheproof Health, Holidays and Lifestyle Expo \$500.

The Wycheproof and Birchip SES offer a vital range of significant, volunteer emergency response services to the Buloke community and intend to use this funding for volunteer training and support.

The Wycheproof Health, Holidays and Lifestyle Expo was attended by over 200 people from right across Buloke Shire and surround areas. Some twenty-four exhibitors contributed to an informative and entertaining day. Various workshops were held and each was fully subscribed. The Expo represented an effective collaboration between the Wycheproof Resource Centre, East Wimmera Health Service and the Mallee Sport Assembly. Council was represented by the Community Services Home and Community Care team.

Council's next Ordinary Meeting will be on Wednesday, 8 June in the Wycheproof Supper Room.

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