



CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BAROSSA COUNCIL
held pursuant to the provisions of Section 90(2) of the Local Government Act
1999 on Tuesday 19 March 2024 commencing at 6.50pm.

CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES

1. ATTENDANCE RECORD

1.1 Members Present

Mayor Bim Lange, Crs John Angas, Don Barrett, David de Vries, Tony Hurn, Kathryn Schilling, Cathy Troup, Jane Evans, Bruce Preece, Jess Greatwich, Rick Lane and Heidi Thompson

1.2 Officers Present

Martin McCarthy, Chief Executive Officer, Ben Clark, Director Infrastructure and Environmental Services, Jo Moen, Director Corporate Services and Business Innovation, Jake McVicar, Director Development and Community Services, Enterprise Technology and Information Officer and the Minute Secretary.

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That Council:

- (1) Approves the transfer of \$250,000 From Williamstown Lagoons Upgrade budget, and \$50,000 from the Lyndoch rising main replacement budget, and \$300,000 from Springton WWTP Upgrade budget, and \$92,000 From BIL Pipeline Communication upgrade budget, to the Nuriootpa CWMS Treatment Plant Upgrade budget.
- (2) Approves new capital funding of \$950,000 to the Nuriootpa CWMS Treatment Plant Upgrade budget.
- (3) Approves the awarding of the tender for the works associated with the Nuriootpa CWMS Treatment Plant Upgrade to Liquitek who has been assessed as providing the highest Value for Money outcome for Council, for up to \$2,463,219 (exclusive of GST) and authorises the Director Infrastructure and Environmental Services to execute the contract.
- (4) Having considered this matter in confidence under Sections 90(2) and 90(3)(k) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, makes an order pursuant to Section 91(7),

that the minutes, agenda report and attachments other than the minutes relating to this confidentiality order of the Confidential Council Meeting held on 19 March 2024 in relation to item Nuriootpa CWMS Treatment Plant Upgrade Tender be kept confidential and not available for public inspection until end of all tender works and authorise the Chief Executive Officer to review and revoke the order.

- (5) Having considered this matter in confidence under Sections 90(2) and 90(3)(k) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, makes an order pursuant to Section 91(7), that the minutes, agenda report and attachments other than the minutes relating to this confidentiality order of the Confidential Council Meeting held on 19 March 2024 in relation to item 8.2.1 Nuriootpa CWMS Treatment Plant Upgrade - Tender be kept confidential and not available for public inspection until end of all tender works and authorise the Chief Executive Officer to review and revoke the order.

SECONDED Cr Hurn

CARRIED CO 2022-26/407

PURPOSE

This report seeks Council approval of the awarding of a tender for the Nuriootpa CWMS Treatment Plant Upgrade works, the required budget adjustments and the associated restrictions to oval activities.

REPORT

Background

The growth of the township of Nuriootpa has resulted in the increase of the CWMS connections from 2,500 in 2009 to 3,410 at present. This increase has resulted in the current plant running above its current capacity resulting in water quality issues for our recycle water customers.

This upgrade will allow Council to maintain water quality and SA Health compliance now and into the future.

Introduction

The requirement for this upgrade and how the Nuriootpa CWMS network is to operate for the next 15 years was developed over a number of stages:

- Cost estimates done in 2020 for whole upgrade of Nuriootpa Treatment (circa \$6.5M)
- a review to determine best course of action for dealing with volume/capacity/water quality issues being experienced at Nuriootpa WWTP
- Outcome was a multi-stage approach including Stage 1 being Nuriootpa upgrade to ensure Council meet Water Quality Standards and future stages being to re-route some catchment to Stockwell and an upgrade to Stockwell WWTP
- As this was occurring SA Health have changed requirements of treatment to include UV treatment that wasn't previously required amongst others to ensure Council maintain our utility rating
- A new Treatment Plant upgrade design was approved by SA Health.
- An open request for tender was undertaken

Discussion

The upgrade of the Nuriootpa CWMS Treatment Plant is a priority to address its current water quality issues and to improve its ability to safely cope with existing and future connected CWMS Connections.

At the completion of the Nuriootpa CWMS Treatment Plant Upgrade Tender Assessment by Council's Tender Evaluation Panel, the Liquitek tender was assessed as providing the highest Value for Money score in accordance with Council's Tender Evaluation process.

Liquitek was assessed as having good organisational structure, facilities and resources, very good experience in similar work, a good project team and a very good construction methodology.

Liquitek tender price is the lowest.

Liquitek have successfully delivered multiple water and wastewater projects in recent years and their tender represents the lowest safety, quality, technical and commercial risk to Council.

Liquitek is the Preferred Tenderer for the Nuriootpa CWMS Treatment Plant Upgrade. The estimated contract sum is \$2,463,219 (exclusive of GST)

Summary and Conclusion

Liquitek is the Preferred Tenderer for the Nuriootpa CWMS Treatment Plant Upgrade.

The estimated contract sum is \$2,463,219 (exclusive of GST), subject to Council approving the proposed 2023-24 Q3 Budget Adjustment Request to transfer.

\$250,000 from Williamstown Lagoons Upgrade budget, and

\$50,000 from the Lyndoch rising main replacement budget, and

\$300,000 from Springton WWTP Upgrade budget, and

\$92,000 From BIL Pipeline Communication upgrade budget to the Nuriootpa CWMS Treatment Plant Upgrade budget.

Budget Adjustment Request to provide \$950,000 of new capital funds to the to deliver the project.

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Attachment 1 Tender Evaluation Report Nuriootpa Treatment Plant Upgrade 

Supporting references

Nil

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Community Plan

Infrastructure

Goal

6. The Barossa maintains and develops infrastructure that meets the needs of the region and is efficient.
7. Community infrastructure planning is aligned to both current and the future needs of the community

Strategies

- 6.2 Continue to ensure that infrastructure considers place-making is inclusive and accessible for all.
- 7.1. Build on sound asset management practices to deliver sustainable services to ensure that infrastructure is adequate to support the community.
- 7.2. Ensure both current and future infrastructure needs are met in a proactive rather than reactive way.

Legislative Requirements

Nil

FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

The long term financial plan changes are:

- The 23-24 year has the \$1.955 we calculated is in, which is a reduction in borrowings by \$350K.
- The 24-25 years now has \$900K extra for Nuri, this results in \$950K extra borrowing needs.
- The out years from 25-26 I have made a adjustment to make cash work for now – next years revision of the LTFP as we firm up the CWMS asset plan we can adjust again.

The net outcomes for the long term plan are:

- A increase to the net financial liabilities peak in 2025/26 of 1.2% taking it to 92.8% and net financial liabilities at 2032/33 being 18% an increase of 0.5%.
- A reduction of the net operating position over the 10 years of \$429K but still in operating surplus by \$5.797M.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Consultation will be undertaken as required as it pertains to the undertaking of the project works with appropriate notifications being provided.

Resumption of open council meeting at 7.12pm.

The meeting moved into confidence at 7.13pm.