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Edward River

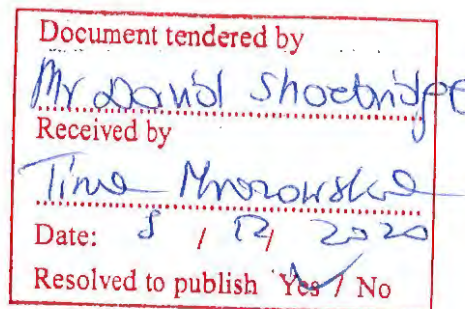
From: Mark Nolan
Sent: Wednesday, 6 February 2019 4:19 PM
To: Darren Sear
Subject: FW: Edward River

Mark Nolan | Director, Communications
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From: Tim Hurst
Sent: Wednesday, 6 February 2019 12:43 PM
To: Mark Nolan < >
Subject: Fwd: Edward River



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From: Laura Clarke < >
Date: 5 November 2018 at 5:16:12 pm AEDT
To: Tim Hurst < >
Subject: Edward River

Hi Tim

Edward River have returned with the list of projects. There is a slight change to the funding agreement, with internal costs and project development costs outlined below:

Project	Amount (\$m)	Change
Deniliquin Ute Muster - new office complex and museum	\$ 600,000.00	
Internal Merger Costs	\$ 1,600,000.00	\$100,000
Deniliquin Streetscape CBD Upgrade - Cressy Street	\$ 1,200,000.00	
Edward River Riverfront Revitalisation	\$ 700,000.00	
Waring Gardens Upgrade	\$ 640,000.00	
Lagoon Walking Track road treatments and wayfinding signage	\$ 250,000.00	
Peppin Heritage and Visitor Centre Upgrade	\$ 200,000.00	
Development of a Truck Stop	\$ 400,000.00	
Project Development - assistance towards business case development and getting projects shovel ready for grant applications	-\$ 150,000.00	-\$150,000
	\$ 5,590,000.00	

Can you please arrange for a draft funding agreement and I'll share with Edward River Council and the local MP?

Thanks
Laura

Laura Clarke
Deputy Chief of Staff, Director of Policy
Office of The Hon. John Barilaro MP
Deputy Premier

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Edward River

From: Darren Sear
Sent: Wednesday, 29 August 2018 4:45 PM
To: Leonie Myers
Subject: FW: Edward River Council

Leonie,

For your attention

Cheers

Darren Sear | Acting Manager Program Delivery
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From: Tim Hurst
Sent: Wednesday, 29 August 2018 12:53 PM
To: Darren Sear <
Cc: Chris Allen <
Subject: Fwd: Edward River Council

Hi Darren - apologies for not sending this on earlier, can you please arrange for an agreement to be prepared just for this amount for Edward River council.

It will also need a covering letter so I can issue ASAP.

Thanks

Tim

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Laura Clarke <
Date: 24 August 2018 at 9:51:05 am AEST
To: Tim Hurst < >, Mark Nolan < >, Michael Hansen
< >
Cc: Georgina Kentwell <
Subject: Edward River Council

Hi Tim and Mark

The DP has approved funding of \$600,000 to Edward River Council to assist Deni Play on the Plains Festival Ltd with building a new office complex and museum on the Deniliquin Festival Site.

Can you please arrange a media release – it is Deni Ute Muster's 20th anniversary!

Thanks

Laura

Laura Clarke
Deputy Chief of Staff, Director of Policy

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From: Tim Hurst
Sent: Monday, 27 August 2018 9:35 AM
To: Darren Sear; Leonie Myers
Subject: FW: CGRC list

Hi – I've been able to clarify that the \$150K should not be in this agreement, could you please amend and let me know? I have the papers with me here in Sydney so I can just print the revised agreement.

Thanks
Tim.

From: Laura Clarke <
Sent: Friday, 24 August 2018 4:10 PM
To: Tim Hurst <
Subject: RE: CGRC list

Hi Tim

Can you please send out as is (without youth mental health strategy). There is some further work required at our end on the strategy.

A second funding deed will be needed at some stage.

Thanks
Laura

From: Tim Hurst <
Sent: Friday, 24 August 2018 2:06 PM
To: Laura Clarke <
Subject: RE: CGRC list

Hi Laura – we have a draft agreement ready to go to CGRC but I'm unclear whether we should include anything about the local Youth Mental Health Strategy mentioned below, or just keep the agreement on hold awaiting further advice. Are you able to assist?

Thanks
Tim.

From: Laura Clarke <
Sent: Tuesday, 31 July 2018 12:28 PM
To: Tim Hurst <
Cc: David Rodwell <; Sarah Lau <
Subject: FW: CGRC list
Importance: High

Hi Tim

Apologises for the short notice. See attached the breakdown of projects for CGRC from the additional merger funds, which the DP has now approved. Steph Cook would like to announce tomorrow.

— She won't require a media release, as this will be done in house.

— Please note, Steph Cooke would like the remainder (\$150,000) to go towards a local Youth Mental Health Strategy. Details are still being developed. Can you hold off including this on any funding agreement?

Many thanks
Laura

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From: Frances Crowley <[redacted]>
Sent: Tuesday, 31 July 2018 11:29 AM
To: Laura Clarke <[redacted]>
Subject: CGRC list
Importance: High

Hi Laura- finally, please see attached.
Steph sat down with Mayor yesterday to review.
We await confirmation from OLG.

Cheers

Frances Crowley
Electorate Officer | Steph Cooke MP

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From: Tim Hurst
Sent: Monday, 17 December 2018 5:34 PM
To: Darren Sear; Leonie Myers
Cc: Chris Allen
Subject: FW: SVC New amalgamation money
Attachments: 18 12 15 New amalgamation money.xlsx

Please see below confirmation of the approved list of projects for the second SVC funding agreement. Can we please proceed to generate the final funding agreement to issue.

Thanks

Tim.

From: Laura Clarke < >
Sent: Monday, 17 December 2018 4:49 PM
To: Tim Hurst < >
Subject: RE: SVC New amalgamation money

Hi Tim – updates approved by the DP.

Thanks

From: Tim Hurst < >
Sent: Monday, 17 December 2018 2:21 PM
To: Laura Clarke < >
Subject: FW: SVC New amalgamation money
Importance: High

Hi Laura – please find attached a revised spreadsheet from SVC that totals to the available amount. Could you please advise whether the Deputy Premier approves these projects for the available \$5.695 million and I can proceed to issue to you a final funding agreement.

Regards

Tim.

From: Hyde, Matthew < >
Sent: Monday, 17 December 2018 2:18 PM
To: Tim Hurst < >
Cc: Ivill, Susan < >
Subject: RE: SVC New amalgamation money

Tim,

My apologies – I had not changed column F – hopefully this version is now what you require.

Please don't hesitate to call if you require further information.

Thanks

Matt H.

Matthew Hyde
General Manager

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From: Tim Hurst < >
Sent: Monday, 17 December 2018 9:15 AM
To: Hyde, Matthew < >
Cc: Ivill, Susan < >
Subject: RE: SVC New amalgamation money
Importance: High

Hi Matt – I've just had a look and both problems still appear to be on this version of the spreadsheet, I'm happy to call and discuss but column F must detail all the remaining projects and total to \$5.695 million. I really need this quickly as we were supposed to be processing this today.

Thanks

Tim.

From: Hyde, Matthew < >
Sent: Saturday, 15 December 2018 4:34 PM
To: Tim Hurst < >
Cc: Ivill, Susan < >
Subject: RE: SVC New amalgamation money

Tim,

I'm sorry we must have attached the wrong spreadsheet. Please find attached.

Thanks

Matthew Hyde
General Manager



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From: Tim Hurst < >
Sent: Friday, 14 December 2018 4:50 PM
To: Hyde, Matthew < >
Subject: RE: SVC New amalgamation money

Hi Matt – this was sent off to my team for processing but we can't make the numbers in the spreadsheet add up. By our calculations you should be seeking \$5.695 million. There are 2 issues with the spreadsheet – the items SVC

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Strategic Business Plans, Rate Harmonisation and Client Business Environment Standardisation do not appear to have been carried into the totals column. Also the item 'Jack Ryan Memorial and Centenary of WW1 project' is not in the totals. Can you please check if this is what you are seeking and resubmit.

In the meantime we are proceeding with processing but we won't be able to provide a funding agreement until we get a revised sheet, and I go back through the approvals process. It would be good if I could have the revised list first thing Monday morning if possible.

Regards

Tim.

Tim Hurst

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From: Ivill, Susan < > On Behalf Of Hyde, Matthew

Sent: Wednesday, 12 December 2018 5:45 PM

To: Tim Hurst < >

Cc: Greg Aplin MP < >
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Subject: SVC New amalgamation money

Good afternoon Tim,

Please find attached Councils letter of request for final approval – new Council Implementation Funds - Round Two and SVC funding spreadsheet.

Please feel free to contact me on my mobile for further discussion

Matt

Matthew Hyde

General Manager



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SVC Additional Merger money

		Comments
Integrated Systems and Work Processes	\$ 850,000.00	
Office refurb	\$ 1,000,000.00	
LEP	\$ 100,000.00	
DCP	\$ 100,000.00	
Culture Program Capability Development	\$ 120,000.00	
Service level review and improvement program	\$ 450,000.00	
Unification and Placemaking	\$ 200,000.00	Place plans and signage
Wagga Electorate	\$ 1,565,000.00	
Albury Electorate	\$ 1,565,000.00	
	<u>\$ 5,950,000.00</u>	

Wagga Wagga Electorate

Town WiFi Upgrades - Adelong, Brungle, Tumut, Batlow, Talbingo
Adelong Tourism

Tumut Pump Track & River Walk Loop
Adelong Main Street Façade Improvements
QR Code/Wayfinding signage Adelong Walking Tracks
Batlow Cannery Site - Planning
Playground Equipment Batlow, Adelong
RV & Camping Toilet and Showers - tripartnership with SVC, parks and water?
Tourism Batlow

Jack Ryan Statue

		Comments
	\$ 50,000.00	
	\$ 25,000.00	Adelong Tourism Promotion - recommendation is static stand within an existing business/attraction unmanned, Council to supply with promotional materials & information
	\$ 500,000.00	\$300k for pump track plus \$200k to complete Tumut River Walk loop (priority action in DMP)
	\$ 100,000.00	
	\$ 20,000.00	QR codes and interpretative or wayfinding signage, or printed map/guides
	\$ 200,000.00	Site will need substantially more funding but can couple with other funds - talk with DPC.
	\$ 150,000.00	Adelong adventure playground is recommended in the DMP for \$100k.
	\$ 480,000.00	Owner's consent issues to overcome pending site location
	\$ 20,000.00	Recommendation as per VSS is static stand within an existing business/attraction unmanned, Council to supply with promotional materials & information - to avoid recurring costs of manned service
	<u>\$ 20,000.00</u>	
	<u>\$ 1,565,000.00</u>	

Albury Electorate

Town WiFi Upgrades - Khancoban, Tumbarumba, Jindellie
SVC Tourism App
Historical walking tracks
Rail Trail Additional Funds
Link with Mountain Biking
Repositioning of Snowy Valleys Way - planning & implementation
Carcoola - dining room
Implementation of new SVC destination brand & marketing strategy
Khancoban pool shade sails
Jindellie pedestrian bridge over horse creek

Tooma amenity/appearance

		Comments
	\$ 25,000.00	
	\$ 20,000.00	Designed in accordance with new tourism brand and marketing strategy
	\$ 40,000.00	Development of new, and additional signage
	\$ 800,000.00	Advised by Wayne that an additional \$1.8 million in total required
	\$ 350,000.00	Development of MTB trail along Travelling Stock Route from Henry Angel Trackhead to Tumbarumba
	\$ 50,000.00	Reinvigoration of signs and marketing and tourism brand
	\$ 80,000.00	Childrens centre at Tumba
	\$ 100,000.00	Photography & videography library update, new website, design of print materials
	\$ 40,000.00	
	\$ 30,000.00	Jindellie left out of most of original funding and the walking track has an abrupt end - so fulfills this as a full project with the walking bridge over the Murray
	<u>\$ 30,000.00</u>	Per Tooma IP&R submission and welcoming town & recreation area.
	<u>\$ 1,565,000.00</u>	

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SVC Funding - NSW Government Commitments (15/6/18)

		Funding announced	
Integrated Systems and Work Processes	\$ 850,000.00	\$ -	
Office refurb	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ -	
LEP	\$ 250,000.00	\$ -	
OCP	\$ 250,000.00	\$ -	
Culture Program Capability Development	\$ 120,000.00	\$ -	
Service level review and improvement program	\$ 250,000.00	\$ -	
Unification and Placemaking	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	
TOTAL SVC NDF round 2	\$ 2,820,000.00	\$ -	
Wagga Wagga Electorate allocation	\$ 1,565,000.00	\$ 255,000.00	
Albury Electorate Allocation	\$ 1,565,000.00	\$ -	
Total SVC Funding	\$ 5,950,000.00	\$ 255,000.00	

		Funding Announced by Premier for ADELONG 17 August 2018	
Wagga Wagga Electorate			
Town WiFi Upgrades - Adelong, Brungle, Tumut, Batlow, Talbingo	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
Adelong tourism projects/planning	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	
Tumut Pump Track and Cycling Initiatives	\$ 500,000.00	\$ -	
Adelong Main Street Facade Improvements	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	
Adelong Walking Tracks - signage	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	
Batlow Cannery Site - Planning/Business case development	\$ 200,000.00	\$ -	
Playground Equipment Upgrades - Batlow, Talbingo, Adelong	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	
Rural ratepayer projects/initiatives	\$ 490,000.00	\$ -	
Batlow tourism projects/planning	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	
Jack Ryan Memorial and centenary of WW1 project	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 255,000.00	
TOTAL	\$ 1,565,000.00		

		Funding announced	
Albury Electorate			
Town WiFi Upgrades - Kiancaban, Tumbarumba	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -	
Tumba Tourism App	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	
Historical walking tracks	\$ 40,000.00	\$ -	
Playground Equipment Tumbarumba, Kiancaban, Jingellie	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	
Rail Trail Additional Funds	\$ 500,000.00	\$ -	
Link with Mountain Biking	\$ 350,000.00	\$ -	
Repositioning of Snowy Valleys Way - planning & implementation	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -	
Implementation of new SVC destination brand & marketing strategy	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	
Caroola new kitchen and dining room	\$ 80,000.00	\$ -	
Kiancaban pool shade sails	\$ 40,000.00	\$ -	
Jingellie pedestrian bridge over horse creek	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -	
Jingellie bridge over Murray River	\$ 200,000.00	\$ -	
Tooma amenity/appearance	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -	
TOTAL	\$ 1,565,000.00	\$ -	

	Remaining funds yet to be announced/confirmed
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\$ 100,000.00	
\$ 2,820,000.00	
\$ 1,310,000.00	
\$ 1,565,000.00	
\$ 5,695,000.00	

	Remaining funds yet to be announced/confirmed for Wagga Wagga Electorate
\$ 40,000.00	
\$ 500,000.00	
\$ 200,000.00	
\$ 50,000.00	
\$ 450,000.00	
\$ 20,000.00	
\$ 1,300,000.00	

	Remaining funds yet to be announced/confirmed for Albury Electorate
\$ 25,000.00	
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SVC Strategic Business Plans - Water, Sewer, Domestic Waste, Private Works	\$ 400,000.00		
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From: Tim Hurst
Sent: Monday, 15 October 2018 3:40 PM
To: Dave Chalmers
Subject: Fwd: Feedback on New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF) and Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) Funding Agreement - A599821

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Laura Clarke < >
Date: 11 October 2018 at 4:16:35 pm AEDT
To: Tim Hurst < >
Subject: FW: Feedback on New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF) and Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) Funding Agreement - A599821

Hi Tim

Hope all is well.

Thank you for sending through QPRC and SMRC funding agreements. The Monaro Electorate office passed onto both councils and have since received some feedback.

The first is can the funding agreement be updated to include the highlighted (noting the Cooma Rotary Club BBQ has decreased from \$10,000 to \$2,000).

New Council	Project	Amount
Snowy Monaro	Cooma North Public School Playground	\$ 100,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Cooma Rotary Club BBQ	\$ 2,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Cooma Multi Function Centre Upgrade	\$ 500,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Monaro Family Support Service	\$ 120,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Berridale School Tennis Courts	\$ 10,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Cooma Men's Shed New Building	\$ 150,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Bombala Business Chamber	\$ 250,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Snowy Monaro Additional Funding for transition Costs	\$ 3,500,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Jindabyne BMX Track	\$ 250,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Snowy Mountains Neighbourhood Centre	\$ 60,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Monaro Air Rifle Club Driveway Sealing	\$ 25,000.00
New Council	Project	Amount
QPRC	Queanbeyan Golf Club Upgrades	\$ 450,000.00
QPRC	Oktoberfest 2018/19	\$ 50,000.00
QPRC	QPRC (Oktoberfest 2017 reimbursement to QPRC)	\$ 7,000.00
QPRC	Braidwood Writer's Festival	\$ 5,000.00
QPRC	Bungendore CWA - Electrical Upgrade	\$ 10,000.00
QPRC	Googong Community Club Planning	\$ 100,000.00
QPRC	Bungendore P & C Smart Board Project	\$ 50,000.00
QPRC	Majors Creek Recreational Ground Upgrades	\$ 50,000.00
QPRC	Queanbeyan Whites Change Room Upgrades	\$ 400,000.00
QPRC	Treehouse Special Needs Group	\$ 100,000.00
QPRC	QPRC Additional Funding for transition Costs	\$ 3,500,000.00
QPRC	Captains Flat RFS New Shed additional Money	\$ 352,000.00
QPRC	Bungendore Showground Arena Upgrade	\$ 200,000.00
QPRC	1st Tinderry Scout Group	\$ 10,000.00
QPRC	Braidwood Radio Tower	\$ 50,000.00
QPRC	Meals on Wheels	\$ 45,280.00
QPRC	Warnboin Community Hall	\$20,000
QPRC	Royalla Common	\$20,000
QPRC	Bungendore Tigers	\$10,000

Also SMRC has raised concerns about Council being made accountable for funding to community groups and have asked that the State Government hold this risk, not the Council. We have had similar feedback from a number of councils through the

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Stronger Country Community Fund.

Are we able to provide a work around solution?

Thanks

Laura

From: Teena Paterson [mailto:]

Sent: Friday, 5 October 2018 3:31 PM

To: Alysia Smith; ' ']

Cc: Peter Bascomb; Peter Cannizzaro; Sarah Cleverley

Subject: Feedback on New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF) and Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) Funding Agreement - A599821

Hello Alysia and Chris,

Thank you for providing the attached Letter and Funding Agreement. I understand that revised documentation is likely to be forthcoming after subsequent funding announcements, we look forward to further information.

Upon initial review the below feedback is offered:

New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF):

Council is very appreciative of the extra \$3.5 million NCIF allocation as this will greatly assist us to meet merger implementation costs. Our advocacy for an additional \$5.29 million towards implementation costs being evidenced by correspondence to the Minister of Local Government (Cc Member for Monaro), in proposal letters dated 27 September 2017 and 21 November 2017.

For consistency in OLG reporting we request that the 6 monthly report dates be amended to 31st January and 31st July, to align with the existing NCIF reporting schedule.

It is noted that Attachment 3 does reference the reporting schedule above, thus only the different dates in the body of the Funding Agreement require adjustment.

Stronger Communities Fund (SCF):

The provision of \$500 000 towards upgrade of the Cooma Multifunction Centre is most welcome, with Council having included this worthy element in recent grant applications to the State Government.

For consistency in OLG reporting we request that the 6 monthly report dates be amended to 31st January and 31st July, to align with the existing SCF reporting schedule.

The six (6) other projects detailed (\$640 000) all have distinct external entities identified as the key project proponents, and as such the administrative cost of acquittal and monitoring accountability should not reside with Council. If the intention was for Council to purely receive the funds and then at a given time distribute the funds to the designated entities at the State Government's behest then we'd willingly assist in this aspect, however the Funding Agreement (Attachment 2) should clearly reflect this as being the full extent of Council's obligation regarding these projects.

General corrections:

Please amend documentation to reflect: Peter Bascomb, Acting General Manager.

Attachment 1 – Item 2: The 2nd bold header in the table is incorrectly titled and should read "Stronger Communities Fund".

Alysia, as discussed I'll be on leave next week and back in the office on Tuesday 16th October.

Kind Regards,

Teena

Teena Paterson
Grants Officer



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Snowy Monaro + Queanbeyan

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From: Tim Hurst
Sent: Tuesday, 20 November 2018 3:30 PM
To: Darren Sear; Leonie Myers
Cc: Sonja Hammond
Subject: FW: Update - Funding agreements for Snowy Monaro Regional Council and Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council

For filing in objective and attaching to the approval BN please.

From: Laura Clarke < >
Sent: Tuesday, 20 November 2018 2:25 PM
To: Tim Hurst < >; Alysia Smith < >
Subject: RE: Update - Funding agreements for Snowy Monaro Regional Council and Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council

Hi Tim

Sorry for the late response -- yes confirmed all approved by the DP.

Thanks
Laura

From: Tim Hurst < >
Sent: Monday, 19 November 2018 11:01 AM
To: Alysia Smith < >; Laura Clarke < >
Subject: RE: Update - Funding agreements for Snowy Monaro Regional Council and Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council

Hi Laura and Alysia -- just confirming we are working on the revised agreements and should have them done today as required.

Also Laura can you please confirm for our audit records that the Deputy Premier has approved these project allocations to the Councils.

Thanks
Tim.

From: Alysia Smith < >
Sent: Friday, 16 November 2018 6:23 PM
To: Tim Hurst < >; 'Laura Clarke' < >
Subject: RE: Update - Funding agreements for Snowy Monaro Regional Council and Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council

Sorry! SCS Queanbeyan is actually SES Queanbeyan -- a typo, sorry. I've amended this below.

Thanks again,
Alysia

From: Alysia Smith
Sent: Friday, 16 November 2018 6:18 PM
To: 'Tim Hurst'; Laura Clarke
Subject: RE: Update - Funding agreements for Snowy Monaro Regional Council and Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council

Hi Laura and Tim,

I think we are working off of different lists. Below are the correct lists.

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I've added on some projects that we were going to leave until the second funding agreement, but if we are making amendments, we might as well add these in now.

Those highlighted in yellow are to be added, or to have their funding amount amended.

I can confirm the below lists are the absolute finals and the funding agreements should mirror these.

Tim, could you please amend these first thing on Monday morning and send the agreements and letters back to us to be sent out on Monday?

Thanks very much and have a nice weekend,
Alysia

New Council	Project	Amount
Snowy Monaro	Cooma North Public School Playground	\$ 100,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Cooma Rotary Club BBQ	\$ 2,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Cooma Multi Function Centre Upgrade	\$ 500,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Monaro Family Support Service	\$ 120,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Berridale School Tennis Courts	\$ 10,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Cooma Men's Shed New Building	\$ 150,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Bombala Business Chamber	\$ 250,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Snowy Monaro Additional Funding for transition Costs	\$ 3,500,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Cooma Pony Club	\$ 35,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Snowy Mountains Neighbourhood Centre	\$ 60,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Monaro Air Rifle Club Driveway Sealing	\$ 25,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Jindabyne Playground	\$ 100,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Adaminaby Public School Playground	\$ 23,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Delegate Progress Association	\$ 11,200.00
Snowy Monaro	Cooma Truck Wash	\$ 361,093.00
Snowy Monaro	St Patrick's Parish School Flag Poles	\$ 3,500.00

Please remove the Bombala Infants School Refurbishment, Jindabyne BMX Track and Nimmitabel New Visitor Toilet Project

New Council	Project	Amount
QPRC	Queanbeyan Golf Club Upgrades	\$ 450,000.00
QPRC	Oktoberfest 2018/19	\$ 50,000.00
QPRC	QPRC (Oktoberfest 2017 reimbursement to QPRC)	\$ 7,000.00
QPRC	Braidwood Writer's Festival	\$ 5,000.00
QPRC	Bungendore CWA - Electrical Upgrade	\$ 10,000.00
QPRC	Googong Community Club Planning	\$ 100,000.00
QPRC	Bungendore P & C Smart Board Project	\$ 50,000.00
QPRC	Majors Creek Recreational Ground Upgrades	\$ 50,000.00
QPRC	Queanbeyan Whites Change Room Upgrades	\$ 400,000.00
QPRC	Treehouse Special Needs Group	\$ 100,000.00
QPRC	QPRC Additional Funding for transition Costs	\$ 3,500,000.00
QPRC	Captains Flat RFS New Shed additional Money	\$ 352,000.00
QPRC	Bungendore Showground Arena Upgrade	\$ 200,000.00
QPRC	1st Tinderry Scout Group	\$ 10,000.00
QPRC	Braidwood Radio Tower	\$ 50,000.00
QPRC	Meals on Wheels	\$ 45,280.00

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QPRC	Wamboin Community Hall	\$20,000
QPRC	Royalla Common	\$20,000
QPRC	Bungendore Tigers	\$10,000
QPRC	Queanbeyan Kilt	\$9,000
QPRC	Queanbeyan Rodeo	\$20,000
QPRC	SES Queanbeyan Roller Doors	\$30,000
QPRC	Queanbeyan Gift	\$1,500

From: Tim Hurst [mailto:]
Sent: Friday, 16 November 2018 5:25 PM
To: Laura Clarke
Cc: Alysia Smith
Subject: RE: Update - Funding agreements for Snowy Monaro Regional Council and Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council

Hi Laura – please find attached the offer letters and final agreements for Snowy Monaro Regional Council and Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council. Have a great weekend.

Regards

Tim.

From: Laura Clarke < >
Sent: Thursday, 15 November 2018 5:37 PM
To: Tim Hurst < >
Cc: Alysia Smith < >
Subject: RE: Update - Funding agreements for Snowy Monaro Regional Council and Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council

Hi Tim

Yes please – all good to proceed.

Final list is below.

Thanks

Laura

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Snowy Monaro	Monaro Air Rifle Club Driveway Sealing	\$ 25,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Nimmitabel New Visitor Toilet Project	\$ 90,000.00

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Snowy Monaro	Delegate Progress Association	\$	11,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Bombala Infants School Refurbishment	\$	200,000.00
Snowy Monaro	Cooma Pony Club	\$	35,000.00

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QPRC	Royalla Common	\$20,000
QPRC	Bungendore Tigers	\$10,000

From: Tim Hurst <>
 Sent: Thursday, 15 November 2018 4:33 PM
 To: Laura Clarke <>
 Subject: FW: Update - Funding agreements for Snowy Monaro Regional Council and Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council

Hi Laura – we've been sent the below message from the electorate office. Does this mean the agreements are now ready to finalise? The last we have on them is the draft revised agreements which I sent up to you on 25 October.
 Regards
 Tim.

Begin forwarded message:

From: Alysia Smith <>
 Date: November 15, 2018 at 1:55:59 PM GMT+11
 To: "" <>
 Subject: Update

Hi Chris,

Any update on the funding agreements for Snowy Monaro Regional Council or Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council funding agreements?

Also, who is the best contact for your office after you go on leave?

Thanks,
 Alysia

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Alysia Smith

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Cootamundra Gundagai Approvals

Jenefer Plummer

From: Darren Sear
Sent: Tuesday, 31 July 2018 3:27 PM
To: Leonie Myers
Subject: SCF - Cootamundra-Gundagai
Attachments: 18L126.pdf; ATT00001.htm

Leonie,

For actioning.

Cheers

Darren Sear | Acting Manager Program Delivery
Office of Local Government | Locked Bag 3015, Nowra NSW 2541
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From: Tim Hurst
Sent: Tuesday, 31 July 2018 12:58 PM
To: Darren Sear < >; Mark Nolan < >; Teresa Hughes
< >
Cc: Chris Allen < >; Alan Dalton < >
Subject: Fwd: CGRC list

Hi all - please see the attached list for Cootamundra Gundagai, approved by the deputy premier.
Can we please prepare a funding agreement based on these projects to send to council next week?

Thanks

Tim

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Laura Clarke < >
Date: 31 July 2018 at 12:28:27 pm AEST
To: Tim Hurst < >
Cc: David Rodwell < >; Sarah Lau < >
Subject: FW: CGRC list

Hi Tim

Apologises for the short notice. See attached the breakdown of projects for CGRC from the additional merger funds, which the DP has now approved. Steph Cook would like to announce tomorrow.

She won't require a media release, as this will be done in house.

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LG approval

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Please note, Steph Cooke would like the remainder (\$150,000) to go towards a local Youth Mental Health Strategy. Details are still being developed. Can you hold off including this on any funding agreement?

Many thanks
Laura

From: Frances Crowley <
Sent: Tuesday, 31 July 2018 11:29 AM
To: Laura Clarke <
Subject: CGRC list
Importance: High

Hi Laura- finally, please see attached.
Steph sat down with Mayor yesterday to review.
We await confirmation from OLG.

Cheers

Frances Crowley
Electorate Officer | Steph Cooke MP

COOTAMUNDRA-GUNDAGAI LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
- ADDITIONAL PROJECTS

(Applicant to Regional Sports Infrastructure Grants)

Cootamundra Country Club	Upgrades to precinct including dam, machinery shed, course, upgrade to building facade	\$1,355,000
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Gundagai Preschool	Capital works projects to build additional rooms, providing more spaces	\$510,000
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(Eligible applicants to Round 2 of the Stronger Country Communities Fund)

Ellwood Hall (Stockinbingal)	General repairs and installation of heating and cooling	\$60,000
Coolac Hall & Oval	Project includes relining hall, new kitchen, installation of cricket nets, picket fence, irrigation and seating	\$200,000
Adjungbilly Hall	Upgrade tennis courts into multipurpose facility, install community BBQ	\$130,000

(Eligible applicants to 2018 Community Building Partnerships)

Battle of the Bidgee	Installation of permanent storage sheds to support to event	\$22,449
Cootamundra Rugby Union Club	New dressing room facilities and club room	\$150,000
Cootamundra Arts Centre	Disabled access ramp	\$3,142

(Applicant (ineligible) to Stronger Country Communities Fund)

Cootamundra Nursing Home	Installation of solar panels to help reduce costs	\$53,227
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(Projects recommended by Cr Abb McAlister/ Allen Dwyer)

Gundagai South Public School	Sensory garden	\$60,000
Gundagai Public School P&C	Installation of soft fall for playground	\$75,100
Gundagai Junior Rugby League	New PA system	\$10,000
Town & Country Inc	Disabled toilet	\$30,000
Gundagai Tourism Action Group (355 Committee)	Gundagai Main Street History walk	\$50,000
Gundagai RSL	Landscaping Anzac Grove, Gundagai	\$25,000
Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council	Basketball courts, new amenities at the Yarri Park Youth precinct/Lions Park	\$130,000

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Cootamundra Harness Racing	Upgrades and maintenance to track	\$52,000
Cootamundra Mens Shed	Relocation of Mens Shed to Depot 2 on Hovell Street	\$100,000
Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council	4x new netball courts at Cootamundra to replace non-complying courts	\$450,000
Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council	Mill Centre Interactive Tourist Attraction	\$200,000
Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council	River water pump to Gundagai Sportsfields	\$40,000
Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council	Gundagai Sportsground lighting	\$150,000
Tumblong Hall	Toward community facilities – multipurpose courts and BBQ area	\$30,000
Community projects =		\$3,885,918

Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council additional administration costs = \$1,914,282

Cootamundra-Gundagai Youth Mental Health Strategy (Pilot – as per Hilltops) details tba = \$150,000

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From: Tim Hurst
Sent: Thursday, 27 June 2019 10:31 AM
To: Melissa Opdam; Darren Sear
Subject: FW: Additional funding - Hilltops and CGRC

I think we should use the project title "Youth Initiative" unless I can get a better description. Can you please finalise the 2 packages this morning. I will also try to find out whether the councils are expecting this today.

Thanks

Tim.

From: Olivia Graham <
Sent: Thursday, 27 June 2019 10:10 AM
To: Tim Hurst <
Subject: Additional funding - Hilltops and CGRC

Hi Tim

I understand there is a remaining allocated of funding for Hilltops Council and Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council:

Hilltops = \$187,811

CGRC = \$149,800

Our office supports these being directed to the youth initiatives that have been identified.

Thanks

Olivia Graham
Senior Policy Adviser
Office of The Hon. John Barilaro MP
Deputy Premier
Minister for Regional NSW
Minister for Trade and Industry

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Murray River Approval

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From: Mark Nolan
Sent: Thursday, 7 February 2019 11:06 AM
To: Tim Hurst; Darren Sear
Subject: FW: Murray River Council - Additional Merger Funds (\$5.595M)
Attachments: EVANS Austin Member for Murray 170119 Additional Merger Funds.pdf

Murray River Council list of projects attached.

Mark Nolan | Director, Communications

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From: Olivia Graham < >
Sent: Thursday, 7 February 2019 10:59 AM
To: Mark Nolan < >
Subject: FW: Murray River Council - Additional Merger Funds (\$5.595M)

Hi Mark

Here are the projects for Murray River.

Could you please confirm if a release is possible by COB today?

Thanks
Olivia

From: Austin Evans < >
Sent: Thursday, 7 February 2019 10:54 AM
To: Olivia Graham < >
Subject: Fwd: Murray River Council - Additional Merger Funds (\$5.595M)

See below.

Sent to Laura on 17th of January.

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

----- Original message -----

From: Austin Evans < >
Date: 17/1/19 4:11 pm (GMT+10:00)
To: Laura Clarke < >

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Subject: Fwd: Murray River Council - Additional Merger Funds (\$5.595M)

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

----- Original message -----

From: Maree Flagg < >
Date: 17/1/19 11:56 am (GMT+10:00)
To: Austin Evans < >
Subject: FW: Murray River Council - Additional Merger Funds (\$5.595M)

Hi Austin

Do you require this to be passed to the Minister's office or is this FYI?

Thanks

Maree

From: Kerri Keogh < >
Sent: Thursday, 17 January 2019 10:58 AM
To: ElectorateOffice Murray < >
Cc: Maree Flagg < >; Des Bilske < >
Subject: Murray River Council - Additional Merger Funds (\$5.595M)

ATTENTION: Austin Evans, Member for Murray

On behalf of Murray River Council's General Manager, Des Bilske, please find attached correspondence in regards to the above for your attention.

Kind Regards

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Kerri Keogh | Manager Office of the General Manager

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17 January 2019

Austin Evans
Member for Murray
104-110 Banna Avenue
GRIFFITH NSW 2680

Email:

Dear Austin

RE: MURRAY RIVER COUNCIL – ADDITIONAL MERGER FUNDS (\$5.595M)

As discussed recently in regards to the above, please find below details of Council's priority projects:

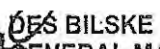
Amount	Project
\$1.5M	Merger (additional) – including Information & Communication Technology (ICT), communications, staff and cultural projects
\$1.5M	Convert former Moama Sports Club (Perricoota Road, Moama) into new Council Administration Offices
\$1.195M	Moama Business Park (Industrial Estate) – provision for expansion, including natural gas, water and sewer
\$500,000	Moama Business Park (Industrial Estate) – upgrade to reticulation water pressure
\$250,000	Upgrade to carpark at new Council Administration Offices in Moama (former Moama Sports Club, Perricoota Road)
\$250,000	Barham Bridge Road Access (from Barham side) – to enable/meet heavier mass limits standards
\$200,000	Moama Recreation Reserve – sealing of roads within and drainage works
\$200,000	Tooleybuc Recreation Reserve – upgrade to irrigation system to allow separation from Tooleybuc Sports Club

I trust this is of assistance.

I look forward to receiving a favourable outcome for Murray River Council and its community.

Should you require further information or wish to discuss this matter in detail, please contact the undersigned on

Yours sincerely


DES BILSKE
GENERAL MANAGER

Our Ref: Member for Murray – Additional Merger Funds

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DP Murrumbidgee Approval 21

Jenefer Plummer

From: Tim Hurst
Sent: Friday, 16 November 2018 2:28 PM
To: Sonja Hammond; Darren Sear
Cc: Leonie Myers
Subject: Murrumbidgee Council
Attachments: Aplin Greg Funding Request 1118.docx.pdf

A job for next week please.
Tim

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Laura Clarke <>
Date: 16 November 2018 at 2:14:36 pm AEDT
To: Tim Hurst <>
Subject: FW: Aplin Greg Funding Request 1118.docx.pdf

Hi Tim

Happy Friday!

Another finalised list for Murrumbidgee Council – see attached.

New Council	Project	Amount (\$m)
Murrumbidgee	Provision of 50% funding for telephone tower at Bundure	\$ 425,000.00
Murrumbidgee	Integration and updating of LEP and Development Control Plans	\$ 350,000.00
Murrumbidgee	Provision of Integrated Risk Management Systems	\$ 150,000.00
Murrumbidgee	Provision of project readiness - design briefs and estimates	\$ 300,000.00
Murrumbidgee	Development of Young Street Subdivision at Darlington Point	\$ 1,500,000.00
Murrumbidgee	Waddi Community Centre - Stage 1 & 2 Education Arts & Cultural Centre (Darlington Point)	\$ 300,000.00
Murrumbidgee	Darlington Point Caravan Park Plan of Management	\$ 200,000.00
Murrumbidgee	Long Day Care Centre - compliance requirement (Jerilderie)	\$ 300,000.00
Murrumbidgee	Brolga Place Streetscape/Masterplan upgrade works (Coleambally)	\$ 1,000,000.00
Murrumbidgee	Sports Precinct Upgrade works	\$ 500,000.00
Murrumbidgee	Community Hall upgrade works	\$ 565,000.00
	Total	\$ 5,590,000.00

Can you please arrange a draft funding agreement that I can pass onto Council?

Thank you
Laura

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Federation
Approval

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From: Tim Hurst
Sent: Wednesday, 5 December 2018 3:38 PM
To: Leonie Myers; Darren Sear
Cc: Chris Allen
Subject: FW: Federation Council

Please see below, can you please generate the draft agreement for Federation Council based on these projects? Also can I please get an ETA on the second Central Coast agreement to advise DP's office.

Thanks

Tim.

From: Laura Clarke <
Sent: Wednesday, 5 December 2018 3:29 PM
To: Tim Hurst <
Subject: Federation Council

Hi Tim

As promised, here is the approved list of projects for Federation Council from additional merger funds. The Deputy Premier has approved this.

New Council	Electorate	Project	Amount (\$m)
Federation	Albury/Murray	Additional funding to support merger costs	\$ 271,785.00
Federation	Albury/Murray	Corowa Swimming Pool	\$ 3,483,746.00
Federation	Albury/Murray	Urana Aquatic Centre Leisure Centre Building	\$ 434,469.00
Federation	Albury/Murray	Corowa Civic Bowls Club Air Conditioning	\$ 100,000.00
Federation	Albury/Murray	Wemyss Road Mulwala - upgrade and seal	\$ 300,000.00
Federation	Albury/Murray	Howlong Multi Purpose Hall and Gymnasium	\$ 1,000,000.00
Total			\$ 5,590,000.00

Can you please arrange draft paper work?

Also when you can, could you send me the final agreement for Tranche 2 of Central Coast?

Thanks

Laura

Laura Clarke
Deputy Chief of Staff, Director of Policy
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Armidale Approval

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From: Darren Sear
 Sent: Monday, 18 June 2018 9:52 AM
 To: Leonie Myers; Helen Gustus
 Subject: FW: Leftover merger funding

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Darren Sear | Acting Manager Program Delivery
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From: Tim Hurst
 Sent: Friday, 15 June 2018 2:32 PM
 To: Mark Nolan < > ; Darren Sear < >
 Cc: Chris Allen < >
 Subject: Fwd: Leftover merger funding

Hi Mark - any chance we can get the draft media releases for these this afternoon?
 Darren can you please commence preparing the agreements to potentially issue next week following announcement.

Thanks
 Tim

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Laura Clarke < >
 Date: 15 June 2018 at 2:20:02 pm AEST
 To: Tim Hurst < >
 Cc: Sarah Lau < > ; Kevin Wilde < > ; David Rodwell < >
 Subject: Leftover merger funding

Hi Tim

The DP has agreed to the following allocations against the remaining merger funds for regional councils:

Council	Project	Amount (\$m)
Armidale Regional	Water Infrastructure upgrades at Guyra	5.950
Snowy Valleys	Integrated Systems and Work Practices	0.850
Snowy Valleys	Office Accommodation and Integration	1.000
Snowy Valleys	Preparation of new Local Environment Plan	0.250
Snowy Valleys	Preparation of Development Control Plan	0.250
Snowy Valleys	Culture program and capability development	0.120
Snowy Valleys	Service Level Review and Improvement Program	0.250
Snowy Valleys	Community Unification - Place Making Projects	0.100

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Please let me know if you need any further information, and next steps.

Can you please let me know once the paperwork is ready to go.

We will also need a media release prepared to announce with the local mps (Adam Marshall and Daryl Maguire/Greg Aplin).

Thanks

Laura

Laura Clarke

Deputy Chief of Staff, Director of Policy

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Central Coast Approval

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From: Tim Hurst
Sent: Tuesday, 12 February 2019 12:58 PM
To: Leonie Myers; Darren Sear
Subject: FW: Tranche 3 for Central Coast

Not sure if I sent this at the time, this is for preparation of a Tranche 3 final agreement for Central Coast Council Tim.

From: Laura Clarke <
Sent: Thursday, 3 January 2019 11:10 AM
To: Tim Hurst <
Subject: Tranche 3 for Central Coast

Hi Tim

Happy New Year! I hope you are enjoying the break.

Please see the final list of projects and costings for tranche 3 for Central Coast Council. This has been approved by the DP.

ex-HMAS Adelaide mast installation	66,000.00
Terrigal Rugby clubhouse refurbishment and roof replacement	227,000.00
Gosford Musical Society acquisition of multipurpose building	200,000.00
Water fountain Duffys Oval, Terrigal	10,000.00
Water fountain Frost Reserve, Kincumber	10,000.00
Flooring improvements Terrigal 50 Plus Leisure and Learning Centre	9,570.00
Management of <i>salvinia molesta</i> at Springfield Pond	125,000.00
Playspace upgrade Empire Bay	150,000.00
Public toilet upgrade Forresters Beach	203,500.00
Archibold Park upgrade Forresters Beach	150,000.00
Clubhouse upgrade Duffys Oval Terrigal	250,000.00
Kincumber Neighbourhood Centre equipment, facilities improvements	55,000.00

When you return, could you please progress?

Thank you
Laura

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Central Coast Approval

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From: Tim Hurst
Sent: Wednesday, 28 November 2018 6:35 PM
To: Darren Sear; Leonie Myers
Cc: Chris Allen
Subject: Fwd: Central Coast

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Laura Clarke <
Date: 28 November 2018 at 5:49:54 pm AEDT
To: Tim Hurst <
Subject: Central Coast

Hi Tim

Just to confirm the second tranche of project (below) are good to go for Central Coast – all approved by the DP.

I will come back to you shortly about finalising the remaining funds.

Hylton Moore Park flood lighting for Central Coast Baseball	234,450.00
Avoca Kayak Club clubhouse/community facility	300,000.00
Macmasters Beach public toilets and change room reconstruction	260,000.00
Mingara Regional Athletics Track resurface	425,000.00
Copacabana Surf Life Saving Club minor facilities improvements and equipment	34,000.00
Terngal Surf Life Saving Club public amenities upgrade	240,000.00
Wamberal Surf Club deck and storage area extension	177,000.00
Davistown Progress Association car park remediation for drainage	65,000.00
Chermsleydale Community Cottage upgrade, Springfield	183,000.00
Total	1,918,450.00

Thanks
Laura

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From: [Darren Sear](#)
To: [Leonie Myers](#)
Subject: FW: Central Coast Council
Date: Wednesday, 26 September 2018 12:39:16 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)

From: Tim Hurst
Sent: Monday, 27 August 2018 12:11 PM
To: Darren Sear <>
Cc: Chris Allen <>; Chris Presland <>
Subject: FW: Central Coast Council

Hi Darren – please see below. Note that we will need three different agreements that will issue at different points in time.

Thanks

Tim.

From: Laura Clarke <>
Sent: Monday, 27 August 2018 11:00 AM
To: Tim Hurst <>; Mark Nolan <>
Cc: Sarah Lau <>; David Rodwell <>
Subject: Central Coast Council

Hi Tim and Mark

DP has approved the following projects for Central Coast Council.

30.09.18	Greenfield Road upgrade at Empire Bay	\$	1,800,000.00
	Avoca Beach Rugby Club changeroom upgrade	\$	175,000.00
	Erina Archery Club canteen	\$	31,000.00
	Regional Development Australia Central Coast annual funding	\$	120,000.00
30.11.18	Hylton Moore Park floodlighting for Central Coast Baseball	\$	206,000.00
	Macmasters Beach public toilets and change room reconstruction	\$	260,000.00
	Copacabana tennis courts drainage upgrade	\$	30,000.00
	Empire Bay play space upgrade at tennis courts	\$	35,000.00
	Water fountain for Wamberal SLSC	\$	8,000.00
	Gosford Musical Society acquisition of multipurpose building	\$	200,000.00
	North Avoca Surf Life Saving Club bathroom upgrade	\$	20,000.00
	Mingara Regional Athletics Track resurfacing	\$	425,000.00
22.03.19	Build clubhouse/community facility for Avoca Kayak Club	\$	350,000.00
	Chertseydale Community Cottage upgrade at Springfield	\$	183,000.00

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Hi Tim

DP has also agreed to \$3.5m to Snowy Monaro towards implementation costs.

Can you please arrange paperwork and a media release?

Decision regarding remainder funds and QPC will follow in a couple of weeks.

Thanks

Laura

From: Laura Clarke

Sent: Wednesday, 20 June 2018 2:59 PM

To: 'Tim Hurst' <

Cc: Sarah Lau <

>; David Rodwell <

>; Kevin Wilde

< >; Alexandra Tooth <

>; Ellie Laing

< >

Subject: Central Coast

Hi Tim

DP has agreed to the following projects for Central Coast Council:

Central Coast	Greenfield Road upgrade at Empire Bay	\$ 1,800,000.00
Central Coast	Hylton Moore Park floodlighting for Central Coast Baseball	\$ 206,000.00
Central Coast	Avoca Beach Rugby Club changeroom upgrade	\$ 175,000.00
Central Coast	Build clubhouse/community facility for Avoca Kayak Club	\$ 350,000.00
Central Coast	Macmasters Beach public toilets and change room reconstruction	\$ 260,000.00
Central Coast	Chertseydale Community Cottage upgrade at Springfield	\$ 183,000.00
Central Coast	Mingara Regional Athletics Track resurfacing	\$ 425,000.00
Central Coast	Sandstone for HMAS Adelaide mast project	\$ 22,000.00
Central Coast	Radio equipment for Marine Rescue Central Coast	\$ 15,000.00
Central Coast	Copacabana tennis courts drainage upgrade	\$ 30,000.00
Central Coast	Erina Archery Club canteen	\$ 31,000.00
Central Coast	Empire Bay play space upgrade at tennis courts	\$ 35,000.00
Central Coast	Water fountain for Wamberal SLSC	\$ 8,000.00
Central Coast	Refurbishment and roof replacement of Terrigal Rugby clubhouse	\$ 157,000.00
Central Coast	Gosford Musical Society acquisition of multipurpose building	\$ 200,000.00
Central Coast	Funding for Regional Development Australia: Central Coast	\$ 120,000.00
	Total	\$4,017,000.00

Can you please arrange paperwork and a media release? Please do not contact the Council until the release is issued.

Some additional projects will follow in a few weeks.

Thank you

Laura

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CC approval

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	Refurbishment and roof replacement of Terrigal Rugby clubhouse	\$	157,000.00
Total		\$	4,000,000.00

Can the projects be provided in 3 funding agreements grouped by dates (30/9/2018, 30/11/18 and 22/03/19).

Let me know if there are any issues.

Thanks

Laura

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Jenefer Plummer

From: Darren Sear
Sent: Tuesday, 17 July 2018 1:53 PM
To: Leonie Myers
Subject: FW: Hilltops Council
Attachments: 18L125.pdf

Leonie,

This one is due to be announced tomorrow.

Cheers

Darren Sear | Acting Manager Program Delivery
Office of Local Government | Locked Bag 3015, Nowra NSW 2541
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From: Mark Nolan
Sent: Tuesday, 17 July 2018 11:27 AM
To: Darren Sear < >
Cc: Tim Hurst < >; Chris Allen < >
Subject: FW: Hilltops Council

Hi Darren

Please see below for preparation of a funding agreement etc. We shouldn't contact the council until it is announced.
Cheers

Mark Nolan | Director, Communications
Office of Local Government | Locked Bag 3015, Nowra NSW 2541
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From: Laura Clarke < >
Sent: Tuesday, 17 July 2018 11:25 AM
To: Tim Hurst < >
Cc: Mark Nolan < >
Subject: Hilltops Council

Hi Tim

Apologies for the short notice on this.

See below and attached the breakdown for Hilltops Council which the DP has approved. Steph Cook would like to announce tomorrow.

Could you please rush through a draft media release for use? She plans to announce all projects at once.

Hilltops	Additional funding to support amalgamation costs	\$ 2,600,000.00
Hilltops	Hilltops Council - Village Hall improvements	\$894,328
Hilltops	Harden Murrumburrah Historical Society - Mackay Lighthouse Memorial	\$140,000
Hilltops	Young PCYC - Stadium upgrades	\$80,000
Hilltops	Bronze Bill the Bastard - Complete bronzing	\$364,316
Hilltops	Young LALC - Cultural Centre	\$230,464
Hilltops	Murrumburrah Showground Trust - Showground electrical upgrade	\$269,148
Hilltops	Harden Pony Club - Murrumburrah Showground Improvements	\$54,722
Hilltops	Wombat Progress Association - Wombat Oval improvements	\$140,815
Hilltops	Harden Country Club - Golf course irrigation	\$432,000
Hilltops	Tubbul Campdraft - Bribbaree Showground electrical upgrade	\$104,802
Hilltops	Koorawatha Fire Brigade - Shelter for second firetruck	\$18,000
Hilltops	Zac's Place - Upgrade to entry doors	\$13,356
Hilltops	Young PCYC - Renovations to entry foyer	\$13,029
Hilltops	Young Childcare Centre (Gumnut Grove) - Upgrade to 30yo storage	\$30,954
Hilltops	Young Darts Association - New equipment	\$9,955
Hilltops	Bribbaree Hall - Replace ceiling	\$6,300
Hilltops	Bunyip Preschool - Installation of children's cycleway path	\$20,000
Hilltops	Harden-Murrumburrah Junior Rugby League - Purchase of food van and storage	\$30,000
Hilltops	Young Preschool, Young Mobile Play Activities - Purchase of new vehicle for mobile playgroup	\$50,000
Hilltops	Young Community Arts Centre Trust - Installation of solar panels and capital works improvements to the Lambing Flat Museum precinct	\$250,000
Hilltops	Young Sports Advisory Council (355 Committee) - Purchase of equipment	\$5,000
Hilltops	Murringo Public School - Purchase of sports equipment	\$5,000
Total		\$ 5,762,189.00

Thanks
Laura

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HILLTOPS LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA -- ADDITIONAL PROJECTS

(Eligible applicants to Round 2 of the Stronger Country Communities Fund)

Hilltops Council	Village Hall improvements – Jugiong, Monteagle, Bendick Murrell and Wombat	\$894,328
Harden Murrumburrah Historical Society	Mackay Lighthorse Memorial	\$140,000
Young PCYC	Upgrades at the Young Sports Stadium	\$80,000
Bronze Bill the Bastard	Complete bronzing	\$364,316
Young LALC	Cultural Centre	\$230,464
Murrumburrah Showground Trust	Showground electrical upgrade	\$269,148
Harden Pony Club	Murrumburrah Showground Improvements	\$54,722
Wombat Progress Association	Wombat Oval Improvements	\$140,815
Harden Country Club	Golf course irrigation	\$432,000
Tubbul Campdraft	Bribbaree Showground electrical upgrade	\$104,802

(Eligible applicants to 2018 Community Building Partnerships)

Koorawatha Fire Brigade	Shelter for second firetruck	\$18,000
Zac's Place	Upgrade to entry doors	\$13,356
Young PCYC	Renovations to entry foyer	\$13,029
Young Childcare Centre (Gumnut Grove)	Upgrade to 30yo storage	\$30,954
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Bribbaree Hall	Replace ceiling	\$6,300
Bunyip Preschool	Installation of children's cycleway path	\$20,000
Harden-Murrumburrah Junior Rugby League	Purchase of food van and storage	\$30,000

(Eligible applicant to Stronger Communities Fund/Capital Works grants)

Young Preschool, Young Mobile Play Activities	Purchase of new vehicle for mobile playgroup	\$50,000
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Young Sports Advisory Council (355 Committee)	Purchase of equipment	\$5,000
Murringo Public School	Purchase of sports equipment	\$5,000

(Applicant (unsuccessful) to Regional Cultural Fund)

Young Community Arts Centre Trust	Installation of solar panels and capital works improvements to the Lambing Flat Museum precinct	\$250,000
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Community projects = \$3,162,189



Stronger Communities and New Council Implementation Fund guidelines

Purpose: Seeking decision

Topic	Approval to modify the existing Stronger Communities Fund — tied grant round and New Council Implementation Fund guidelines.
Key Analysis	To give effect to the revised approach to implementing the Cabinet decision of 27 July 2017, the guidelines for the two grant programs need to be modified to change dates and eligibility.

Recommendations

- 1 That the Minister note that \$140.84 million (out of an initial \$212.2 million) is available to resolve all outstanding matters from the merger process.
- 2 The Minister approve the revised Stronger Communities Fund — tied grant round guidelines (Tab 1).
- 3 The Minister approve the revised New Council Implementation Fund guidelines (Tab 2).
- 4 The Minister seek the endorsement of the Premier and Deputy Premier to the proposed revised guidelines, consistent with Cabinet's decision.

Timeframes

Funds can be expended in either the 2017-18 or 2018-19 financial years.

Key reasons

Guidelines were developed to support payments to councils

In September 2017, the Premier, Deputy Premier and Minister approved the establishment of a Stronger Communities Fund – tied grants round, and associated funding guidelines, consistent with the decision of Cabinet on 27 July 2017.

The guidelines did not allow for support to be provided to councils impacted by merger proposals that did not proceed

The current guidelines limit financial support to new councils. To provide support to councils impacted by merger proposals which did not proceed, the existing guidelines will need to be modified. Further funding is to be allocated through both the Stronger Communities Fund – tied grants program and New Councils Implementation Fund.

Amendment of the existing program guidelines will be required.

The existing guidelines for the Stronger Communities Fund – tied grant round only apply to new councils. Revised guidelines have been prepared (Tab 1) to enable grants to be provided to councils impacted by merger proposals that did not proceed. Reporting dates have also been changed consistent with the expected payment schedule.

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Received by	Lina Morawski
Date:	5 / 12 / 2020
Resolved to publish	Yes / No

Further, the existing New Council Implementation Fund guidelines limit funding to new regional councils to \$5 million and do not allow for provision of supplementary support. Some regional councils have prioritised additional implementation funding over additional Stronger Communities grant funding, so the guidelines have been amended (Tab 2) to allow additional Implementation Fund payments to these councils, also with amended reporting dates.

Supporting analysis

A funding allocation of up to \$140.84 million remains

Funding to Northern Beaches, Dubbo Regional and MidCoast Councils through the Stronger Communities Fund – tied grant round. In addition, \$10 million has been allocated towards the Far West funding package.

Context

On 27 July 2017, Cabinet agreed to reallocate merger funding for mergers that would no longer proceed. Cabinet agreed that the Minister for Local Government would redistribute remaining unspent funds previously allocated for pending regional and metropolitan mergers to resolving outstanding matters from the merger process, including to develop guidelines for payments and reimbursements to newly merged councils, pending metropolitan merger councils and regional councils unable to merge, in consultation with the Premier and Deputy Premier.

Attachments

Tab number	Name of attachment
Tab 1	Draft revised Stronger Communities Fund - tied grant round guidelines
Tab 2	Draft revised New Council Implementation Fund guidelines

Prepared by

Position	Signature and date
Tim Hurst Chief Executive, ph [REDACTED]	 12/6/18

Approval

Position	Signature and date
Minister for Local Government	
Deputy Premier	
Premier	

GOING FOR TOURISM GOLD IN HISTORIC ADELONG

Friday, 17 August 2020

Document tendered by	Mr David Shoebridge
Received by	Trina Morozska
Date:	8 / 12 / 2020
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Premier Gladys Berejiklian today announced \$255,000 in funding to deliver a range of much-needed tourism projects in the historic former gold mining town of Adelong.

Ms Berejiklian said the funding would assist Snowy Valleys Council to carry out priority projects to improve amenity and tourism including:

- \$10,000 to upgrade Wi-Fi in the Adelong township;

- \$25,000 to promote tourism in Adelong;

\$100,000 for Adelong main street façade improvements;

\$20,000 for QR code/wayfinding interactive signage along the Adelong walking tracks;
and

\$100,000 for equipment for the Adelong adventure playground.

“Adelong is the heritage gateway to the Snowy Mountains and a popular tourist attraction in the Tumut Region,” Ms Berejiklian said.

“The NSW Government is pleased to help fund projects that will enhance its tourism offerings to build on its heritage appeal as a former gold mining town – including improvements in its main street which is classified by the National Trust.

“Snowy Valleys Council has done a terrific job since its creation in May 2016 to deliver for the local community.

“This funding injection is in recognition of this strong performance and its ongoing commitment to provide high quality infrastructure, facilities and services to local residents and visitors alike.”

Liberal candidate for Wagga Wagga Julia Ham said the funding is in addition to the \$15 million provided to the council when it was created in May 2016.

Mrs Ham said the NSW Government is committed to supporting councils in regional NSW to support their communities.

“I know firsthand that regional councils do a fantastic job in the face of unique and ongoing challenges and the NSW

Government is proud to continue to support Snowy Valleys Council to help deliver for our local community,” Mrs Ham said.

GOING FOR TOURISM GOLD IN HISTORIC ADELONG



ATTACHMENT 3

Acquittal Certificate

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT BY GRANT RECIPIENT

Certification by the General Manager of the grant recipient council

I, [insert name and position]

Solemnly and sincerely declare: [DELETE 1 OR 2 AS APPLICABLE]

1. An amount equal to the total Grant paid \$(insert amount) has been expended on the Project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Funding Agreement dated [insert date] with the State of New South Wales represented by the Office of Local Government (OLG),

OR

2. The total Grant of \$(insert amount) has not been expended. An amount of \$(insert amount) has not been expended and – [DELETE (a) OR (b) AS APPLICABLE]

(a) a cheque for this amount made payable to the OLG is attached.

OR

(b) An electronic funds transfer for this amount has been transferred into the bank account of OLG.

All funds were expended in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Funding Agreement dated [insert date] with the State of New South Wales represented by the OLG;

AND

A complete set of accounting and financial records relevant to the Project have been maintained.

and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of the Oaths Act 1900.

Declared at: on
[place] [date]

[signature of declarant]

In the presence of an authorised witness, who states:

I, a
[name of authorised witness] [qualification of authorised witness]

certify the following matters concerning the making of this statutory declaration by the person who made it: (* please cross out any text that does not apply)

1. *I saw the face of the person OR *I did not see the face of the person because the person was wearing a face covering, but I am satisfied that the person had a special justification for not removing the covering, and
2. *I have known the person for at least 12 months OR *I have confirmed the person's identity using an identification document and the document I relied on was

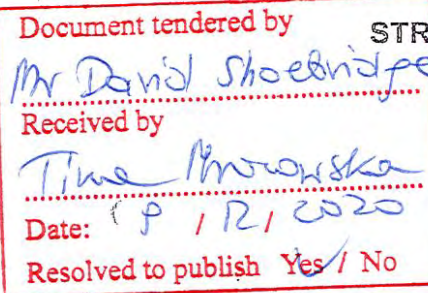
[describe identification document relied on]

[signature of authorised witness]

[date]



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STRONGER COMMUNITIES FUND

TIED GRANT ROUND

FUNDING AGREEMENT

DEED		
BETWEEN	Name	The Chief Executive, Office of Local Government for and on behalf of the Crown in right of the State of New South Wales (OLG)
	A.B.N	44 913 630 046
	Address	Locked Bag 3015, Nowra, NSW 2541 Fax: Email: :
AND	Name	The Council described in Item 1 of Attachment 1

Background

- In conjunction with the NSW Government's announcement in May 2016 to create new councils across the State, the Government has established two funds being the Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) and the New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF).
- The purpose of the Funds is to provide new councils with the funding to kick start the delivery of projects that improve community infrastructure and services and to cover the upfront costs of implementing the new council. The relevant Funding Period is set out in the Guidelines established for each fund.
- In September 2017 the Government agreed to provide additional funding support to new councils for community infrastructure projects through the Stronger Communities Fund – Tied Grants program.
- OLG has the function of providing funding to Councils and it is the Agency of the State to which the Council will report regarding the expenditure of funds provided to the Council.
- The Council agrees to accept the Funding set out in this Agreement in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

Operative Provisions

1. Request for Grant Funding

- 1.1 **Funding Request:** In consideration for the submission of the completed Grant form, Attachment 1, Council agrees to apply the funds provided by OLG in accordance with and subject to the terms of this Agreement.
- 1.2 **Guidelines:** Council agrees to at all times comply with the Guidelines issued by the NSW Government being the Stronger Communities Fund – Tied Grants Guidelines (Attachment 2) issued in respect to the Fund, and as amended from time to time (the relevant Guidelines).

2. Payment

- 2.1 **Payment:** Subject to this Agreement, OLG will pay the Grant Funds to Council within 30 days of OLG receiving the following:
- 2.2 **Grant Form:** The Council shall complete and deliver to OLG the Grant Form Attachment 1. This Agreement shall be binding on the Council from the date the Grant Form is delivered to OLG.
- 2.3 **Tax Invoice:** OLG will provide a recipient created Tax Invoice.

3. GST:

- 3.1 **Supply is GST exclusive:** Unless otherwise indicated, all consideration for any supply under this Agreement is exclusive of any GST imposed in relation to the supply.

3.2 What happens if GST is imposed: If:

- (a) Despite any other provision of this Agreement, GST is imposed on any supply by Council to OLG under this Agreement; and
- (b) OLG are or will be entitled to receive an input tax credit (as defined in the GST Law) in relation to that supply.

OLG will pay to Council an additional amount equal to the GST imposed on that supply at the time and in the manner OLG determines is suitable in relation to that supply.

- 3.3 **Council must be GST registered:** Council must be registered under the GST Law at the time of making any supply under this Agreement on which GST is imposed.

- 3.4 **Consequences of non-registration:** If Council is not registered under the GST Law as required under clause 3.3 then the Council will not be entitled to receive any additional amount as provided under this clause 3 (GST).

- 3.5 **If OLG pay Council too much:** If for any reason OLG pays to Council an amount under this clause 3 (GST) which is more than the GST imposed on the supply, Council must repay the excess to OLG on demand and if not paid OLG may set off the excess against any other amounts due to Council.

4. How Council must deal with the Grant Funding

4.1 Use of Funding: Council must:

- (a) use the Funding solely for the purposes set out in the Grant Form and as authorised by the relevant Guidelines;
- (b) only use the Funding within the Funding Period; and
- (c) not enter into any arrangements or commitments in relation to the Grant Funding that are incompatible or inconsistent with the relevant Guidelines.

4.2 Unspent Funding:

- (a) Any unspent or uncommitted funds held by Council at 31 December 2018 must be returned to OLG by 30 March 2019;
- (b) Council may request to extend this timeframe; and

- (c) OLG may approve or reject that request in OLG's absolute discretion.
- 4.3 **Bank account:** Council must ensure that at all times it can demonstrate to the satisfaction of OLG that adequate internal financial controls are in place within the existing Council banking accounts for the identification of the Funding.
- 4.4 **Interest:** The Funding must be paid into an interest earning account and, unless otherwise agreed by OLG, all interest earned on the Funding must be added to the balance of the Fund and be used by Council for the Project only in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
5. **Expenditure of the Funding**
- 5.1 **Expenditure of Funding:** Council is responsible for the expenditure of the Grant Funds. Council agrees to administer the Grant Funding in accordance with:
- (a) the project described in the Grant Form;
 - (b) the relevant Guidelines;
 - (c) information provided to OLG through the notification process defined in the relevant Guidelines; and
 - (d) any reasonable directions given by OLG from time to time regarding the expenditure of the Funding.
- 5.2 **Sub-contractors:** The Council may sub-contract all or part of the delivery of projects benefited by Grant Funding to a sub-contractor (including a project partner); but Council:
- (a) Will remain responsible for ensuring the suitability of any sub-contractor (or project partner) for the work proposed to be carried out by them;
 - (b) Will ensure that all work carried out by a sub-contractor meets the requirements of this Agreement; and
 - (c) Acknowledges that Council is not relieved from any of Council obligations or liabilities under this Agreement.
6. **Accountability**
- 6.1 **Records:** Council must:
- (a) ensure that adequate financial and operational records and registers are kept and maintained concerning decisions made regarding the expenditure of Grant Funding;

- (b) retain the records referred to in this clause 7 throughout the Funding Period and for seven (7) years after the date that is the earlier of the date of expiry of the Funding Period or termination of this Agreement.
- 6.2 **Accountability:** Council is accountable for all of the Grant Funding Council receives under this Agreement.
- 6.3 **Inspection:** Council must permit OLG, or any person authorised by OLG, upon reasonable notice (at least 48 hours) and at any reasonable time, to inspect the records relating to the implementation of the Grant Funding and any project benefiting from the Funding.
- 6.4 **Non compliance with Agreement:** If at any time OLG considers that the Funding is not being expended by Council in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, or the relevant Guidelines, then OLG may require Council to take such steps or make such changes as may be specified in writing by OLG and served on Council.
7. **Reports**
- 7.1 **Required reports** Council will:
- (a) submit to OLG the Reports set out in the relevant Guidelines at the times and in the manner specified in the Guidelines; and
 - (b) as required by OLG, submit within the timeframe stipulated by OLG, any other information that may be necessary to establish to OLG satisfaction that the terms of this Agreement have been or are being satisfied by Council.
8. **Publicity**
- 8.1 **Acknowledgement:** Council will ensure that all public statements relating to the Project or the Grant Funding acknowledge the provision of the Funding by the NSW Government incorporating the terms set out in Item 5 of Attachment 1.
- 8.2 **OLG right to publicise:** OLG and other agencies of the NSW Government may publicise the provision of the Funding, including:
- (a) The Council name;
 - (b) The name of any End Recipient
 - (c) The amount of the Funding; and
 - (d) The title, a brief description and images of any project benefiting from the Funding.
- 8.3 **Acknowledgement of NSW Government Funding:** Council will abide by the following:

- (a) Acknowledge the NSW Government's contribution in any written material in relation to the project and in any permanent signage in relation to any projects funded;
- (b) Use the NSW Government logo in accordance with the Funding Acknowledgement Guidelines for Recipients of NSW Government Grants in any publicity provisions of any kind (including any brochures, signage, advertising and invitations); and
- (c) Issue an invitation to the relevant State Government MP to any launch or public event associated with the funding and that where they are able to attend, they are acknowledged as official guests. Where practicable, they should be afforded the courtesy of publicly addressing the event and opening any facility.

9. Changes to Arrangements

- 9.1 Written agreement between Council and OLG must be obtained for any variation to this agreement.

10. Compliance with law

- 10.1 Council must:
- (a) comply with all applicable standards, laws, regulations policies and statements;
 - (b) not do anything that would cause OLG to breach its obligations under any legislation; and
 - (c) hold all rights, licences and consents required to conduct the Project and otherwise fulfil Council obligations under this Agreement.

11. Indemnity

- 11.1 **Council Indemnity:** Council shall at all times indemnify, hold harmless and defend OLG and its officers, employees and agents ("those indemnified") from and against liability or loss (including reasonable legal costs and expenses), which may be suffered or incurred by any of those indemnified by reason of or in connection with:
- (a) any infringement or alleged infringement of any Intellectual Property (including Moral Rights) arising from the activities of the Project other than any Intellectual Property supplied by OLG; and
 - (b) any unlawful, wrongful, wilful or negligent act or omission of You or Your officers, employees, agents, contractors and volunteers.

- 11.2 **Reduction of Indemnity:** Council liability to indemnify those indemnified under this Agreement shall be reduced proportionally to the extent that any unlawful, wrongful, wilful or negligent act or omission of those indemnified caused or contributed to the liability or loss.

- 11.3 **Continuing Obligation:** The indemnity in this clause is a continuing obligation of Council separate and independent of any of Councils other responsibilities and will continue beyond the termination of this Agreement.

12. When the Funding Period ends

- 12.1 **Delivery of Reports and Return of Confidential Information:** Council must provide to OLG:

- (a) All final reports due to OLG under the relevant Guidelines or otherwise requested by OLG; and
- (b) Deliver to OLG the Acquittal Certificate in the form supplied as Attachment 3.

- 12.2 **No entitlement to further payment:** For the avoidance of doubt, upon the expiration of the Funding Period, Council will not be entitled to any further payments under this Agreement notwithstanding that the amount paid to Council at that time is less than the Funding specified in this Agreement.

13. Miscellaneous

- 13.1 **This Agreement:** Where used means these terms and the Grant Form Attachment 1 duly completed.

- 13.2 **Change of contact details:** Council must inform OLG within seven (7) days of any material change to the Council contact details set out in Item 1 of the Attachment 1.

- 13.3 **Notice Requirements:** A notice under this Agreement must be:

- (a) in writing, directed to the representative of the other party; and
- (b) be forwarded to the address, facsimile number or the email address of that representative
- (c) if to OLG sent to the address set out on the front page of this agreement;
- (d) if to the Council to the address as set out in Item 1 of Attachment 1.

- 13.4 **When a notice is served:** A notice under this Agreement will be deemed to be served:

- (a) in the case of delivery in person – when delivered to the recipient's address for service and a signature received as evidence of delivery;

- 13.5 **Delivery late in the day:** Notwithstanding the provisions of this clause 12 (Notices), if delivery or receipt of a communication is on a day which is not a Business Day in the place to which the communication is sent or is later than 5pm (local time in that place) it will be deemed to have been duly given or made at 9am (local time in that place) on the next Business Day in that place.
- 13.6 **Applicable law:** This Agreement is governed by, and must be construed in accordance with, the laws in force in the State of New South Wales.
- 13.7 **Governing jurisdiction:** Council and OLG submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts exercising jurisdiction in the State of New South Wales and the courts of appeal therefrom.
- 13.8 **Relationship:**
 - (a) Nothing in this Agreement is intended to create a partnership, joint venture or agency relationship between the parties;
 - (b) You shall not hold yourself out to be an employee, partner, agent or representative of OLG.

Executed by OLG by the Chief Executive) TIMOTHY KURST
of the Office of Local Government for)
and on behalf of the Crown in right of) (Chief Executive)
New South Wales but not so as to incur) ..
any personal liability:)

in the presence of:) (signature)

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(Witness name)
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EXECUTED AS A DEED by Council on

2017

Signed on behalf of the Council by its
General Manager (or ~~Interim General~~
~~Manager~~) Pursuant to Authority Delegated
by the Council

In the presence of:

(Name of Witness)

Mark Riley

(Name of ~~Interim~~ General Manager)

ATTACHMENT 2: Stronger Communities Fund – Tied Grants Guidelines

Purpose of the Stronger Communities Fund

The Stronger Communities Fund was established by the NSW Government to provide new councils with funding for the delivery of projects that improve community infrastructure and services.

The first round of the Stronger Communities Fund has been utilised by communities and councils providing up to \$15 million for each new council to kick start delivery of priority community initiatives.

The tied grant round of the Stronger Communities Fund will provide funding for specific projects, identified by the NSW Government, within the new councils.

Purpose of these Guidelines

These Guidelines have been developed to assist councils to understand their obligations in relation to the tied grant round of the Stronger Communities Fund, including requirements for governance and reporting.

Available funding

Stronger Communities tied grants will be provided to new councils created in 2016. Funding will be allocated by the NSW Government based on priorities identified by the NSW Government.

How the Stronger Communities Fund can be spent?

Funds will be required to be spent on identified projects. Any funding shortfall or funding for ongoing operational activity will be funded by the council.

Councils are responsible for implementing projects, consistent with these Guidelines.

Variation of identified projects

Any application by the Council to vary the projects to be funded or for the purpose of the tied grant will be considered on case by case basis. Any proposal to vary or modify the tied grant shall be made to the Minister for Local Government.

Criteria for selecting projects

Councils are to fund projects, identified by the NSW Government, that deliver new or improved infrastructure or services to the community.

Projects must meet the following criteria:

- demonstrate social and/or economic benefits to the community, and
- give consideration to the processes and procedures outlined in the capital expenditure review guidelines issued by the Office of Local Government.

What are ineligible activities?

The Stronger Communities Fund is not to be used for:

- implementation costs of the new council such information technology systems, financial management systems or change management programs;
- upgrading of council's administration buildings;
- ongoing staff or operational costs;
- projects where the former council had previously allocated funding; and

- retrospective funding for work undertaken prior to the establishment of the new council.

Accountability and acquittal of funds

Councils will be responsible for the effective governance of the Stronger Communities Fund and will be required to use a project management framework that supports the delivery of projects.

The Stronger Communities Fund is to be spent or committed by 31 December 2018 and all funding acquitted before 30 June 2019.

Councils are accountable for the expenditure of the Stronger Communities Fund in accordance with these guidelines, which require the following:

- The Office of Local Government will prepare a funding agreement to provide Stronger Community funds to councils, including agreement to undertake the necessary projects.
- On signing of the funding agreement and submission of an invoice, the OLG will provide the funds to councils.
- By December 2017, councils are to notify the OLG of their plan for delivering the tied projects under the Stronger Communities Fund. Notification is to include information on governance arrangements, including costings, timeframes (including major delivery milestones) and expected benefits. Councils are to advise the OLG of any changes to the delivery plan.
- Councils are to table progress reports at least quarterly to an ordinary council meeting on the expenditure and outcomes within their Stronger Communities Fund ongoing reporting.
- Councils must provide six monthly reports each year by 31 August and 28 February, to the Office of Local Government on delivery progress and expenditure within the Stronger Councils Fund reporting.
- A final report is to be submitted on the completion of each of the projects, including photos and description of the benefits and outcomes achieved.
- Any interest received from the investment of the funds is to be added to the *balance of the fund*.
- The Stronger Communities Fund is to be accounted for separately and funds should be reported as an internally restricted asset within the financial statements.
- Any uncommitted funds by 31 December 2018 must be returned to the OLG by 30 March 2019.

Acknowledgement

Council will abide by the following:

- Ensure that all public statements relating to the Project or the Grant Funding acknowledge the provision of the funding by the NSW Government.
- Acknowledge the NSW Government's contribution in any written material in relation to the project and in any permanent signage in relation to any projects funded.
- Use the NSW Government logo in accordance with the *Funding Acknowledgement Guidelines for Recipients of NSW Government Grants* (available at <https://sc.dpc.nsw.gov.au/resources/branding/>) in any publicity provisions of any kind, including any brochures, signage, advertising and invitations.

- Issue an invitation to the Minister for Local Government (or nominee) to any launch or public event associated with the funding and that where they are able to attend, they are acknowledged as official guests. Where practicable, they should be afforded the courtesy of publicly addressing the event and opening any facility.

Timeframes

The Stronger Communities Fund allocation must be spent or committed by 31 December 2018 and fully acquitted by 30 June 2019. Any uncommitted funds by 31 December 2018 must be returned to the OLG by 30 March 2019.

Council is to notify the OLG at the earliest time if it will be unable to meet these timeframes. Extensions will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Contacts

Council's Office of Local Government Relationship Manager is available to provide advice on the Stronger Communities Fund.

ATTACHMENT 3: Acquittal Certificate

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT BY GRANT RECIPIENT

Certification by two authorised offices of the grant recipient organisation

We, [insert name and position]

and [insert name and position]

Confirm that: [DELETE 1 OR 2 AS APPLICABLE]

1. An amount equal to the total Grant paid (\$[insert amount]) has been expended on the Project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Funding Agreement dated [insert date] with the State of New South Wales represented by the Office of Local Government (OLG).

OR

2. The total Grant of \$[insert amount] has not been expended. An amount of \$ [insert amount] has not been expended and ~

(a) a cheque for this amount made payable to the OLG is attached.

OR

(b) An electronic funds transfer for this amount has been transferred into the bank account of OLG.

All funds were expended in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Funding Agreement dated [insert date] with the State of New South Wales represented by the OLG;

AND

A complete set of accounting and financial records relevant to the Project have been maintained.

Date: _____	Date: _____
Signature: x _____	Signature: x _____
Name: [insert name] _____	Name: [insert name] _____
Position: [insert details] _____	Position: [insert details] _____
Witness signature: x _____	Witness signature: x _____
Witness name: [insert] _____	Witness name: [insert name] _____



Office of
Local Government

NEW COUNCIL IMPLEMENTATION FUND AND STRONGER COMMUNITIES FUND FUNDING AGREEMENT

DEED		
BETWEEN	Name	The Chief Executive, Office of Local Government for and on behalf of the Crown in right of the State of New South Wales (OLG)
	A.B.N	44 913 630 046
	Address	Locked Bag 3015, Nowra, NSW 2541
		Fax: _____
		Email: _____
AND	Name	The Council described in Item 1 of Attachment 1

ATTACHMENT 3 Acquittal Certificate

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT BY GRANT RECIPIENT

Certification by the General Manager of the grant recipient council

I, [insert name and position]

Solemnly and sincerely declare: [DELETE 1 OR 2 AS APPLICABLE]

1. An amount equal to the total Grant paid \$[insert amount] has been expended on the Project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Funding Agreement dated [insert date] with the State of New South Wales represented by the Office of Local Government (OLG).

OR

2. The total Grant of \$[insert amount] has not been expended. An amount of \$[insert amount] has not been expended and – [DELETE (a) OR (b) AS APPLICABLE]

(a) a cheque for this amount made payable to the OLG is attached.

OR

(b) An electronic funds transfer for this amount has been transferred into the bank account of OLG.

All funds were expended in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Funding Agreement dated [insert date] with the State of New South Wales represented by the OLG;

AND

A complete set of accounting and financial records relevant to the Project have been maintained.

and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of the Oaths Act 1900.

Declared at: on
[place] [date]

.....
[signature of declarant]

in the presence of an authorised witness, who states:

I, a
[name of authorised witness] [qualification of authorised witness]

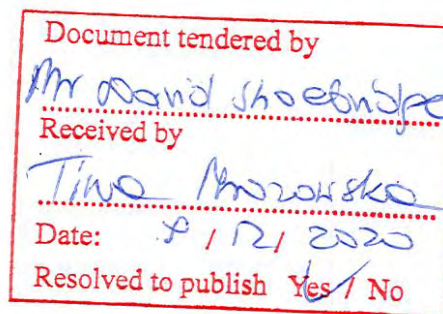
certify the following matters concerning the making of this statutory declaration by the person who made it: [please cross out any text that does not apply]

1. "I saw the face of the person OR "I did not see the face of the person because the person was wearing a face covering, but I am satisfied that the person had a special justification for not removing the covering, and
2. "I have known the person for at least 12 months OR "I have confirmed the person's identity using an identification document and the document I relied on was

.....
[describe identification document relied on]

.....
[signature of authorised witness]

.....
[date]



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Local Government

STRONGER COMMUNITIES FUND

FUNDING AGREEMENT

DEED		
BETWEEN	Name	The Chief Executive, Office of Local Government for and on behalf of the Crown in right of the State of New South Wales (OLG)
	A.B.N	44 913 630 046
	Address	Locked Bag 3015, Nowra, NSW 2541 Fax: Email:
AND	Name	The Council described in Item 1 of Attachment 1

Background

- In conjunction with the NSW Government's announcement in May 2016 to create new councils across the State, the Government has established two funds being the Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) and the New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF).
- In September 2017 the NSW Government agreed to provide additional funding support to new councils for community infrastructure projects through the Stronger Communities Fund – Tied Grants program.
- The Stronger Communities Fund will provide funding for specific projects, identified by the NSW Government, within the new councils and to councils previously subject to a merger proposal.
- The New Council Implementation Fund has been established by the NSW Government to cover the up-front costs of implementing the new council, enabling councils to invest savings directly into community benefits at the earliest opportunity.
- OLG has the function of providing funding to Councils and it is the Agency of the State to which the Council will report regarding the expenditure of funds provided to the Council.
- The Council agrees to accept the Funding set out in this Agreement in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

Operative Provisions

1. Request for Grant Funding

- 1.1 **Funding Request:** In consideration for the submission of the completed Grant Application Form being Attachment 1, Council agrees to accept and apply the funds provided by OLG (the Funding) in accordance with and subject to the terms of this Agreement.
- 1.2 **Guidelines:** Council agrees to at all times comply with the Guidelines issued by the NSW Government being the:
- (a) Stronger Communities Fund Grants Guidelines (Attachment 2), and
 - (b) Funding Acknowledgment Guidelines for Recipients of NSW Government Grants (which can be found at):
<https://communications.dpc.nsw.gov.au/assets/dpc-nsw-gov-au/files/Communications-and-Engagement/fa6fd6d77a/Funding-Acknowledgement-Guidelines-for-Recipients-of-NSW-Government-Grants.pdf>

all as amended from time to time (the relevant Guidelines).

2. Payment

- 2.1 **Payment:** Subject to this Agreement, OLG shall pay the Grant Funds to Council upon receipt of the Grant Form duly executed by the Council.
- 2.2 **Grant Form:** The Council shall complete and deliver to OLG the Grant Form Attachment 1. This Agreement shall be binding on the Council from the date the Grant Form is delivered to OLG.
- 2.3 **Tax Invoice:** OLG will provide a recipient created Tax Invoice.
- 2.4 **Default:** OLG will not be in default of its obligation to pay the Funding if it is paid within 30 days of OLG receiving all necessary requirements from the Council.
3. **GST:**
- 3.1 **Supply is GST exclusive:** Unless otherwise indicated, all consideration for any supply under this Agreement is exclusive of any GST imposed in relation to the supply.
- 3.2 **What happens if GST is imposed: If:**

- (a) Despite any other provision of this Agreement, GST is imposed on any supply by Council to OLG under this Agreement, and
- (b) OLG are or will be entitled to receive an input tax credit (as defined in the GST Law) in relation to that supply.

OLG will pay to Council an additional amount equal to the GST imposed on that supply at the time and in the manner OLG determines is suitable in relation to that supply.

- 3.3 **Council must be GST registered:** Council must be registered under the GST Law at the time of making any supply under this Agreement on which GST is imposed.
- 3.4 **Consequences of non-registration:** If Council is not registered under the GST Law as required under clause 3.3 then the Council will not be entitled to receive any additional amount as provided under this clause 3 (GST).
- 3.5 **If OLG pay Council too much:** If for any reason OLG pays to Council an amount under this clause 3 (GST) which is more than the GST imposed on the supply, Council must repay the excess to OLG on demand and if not paid OLG may set off the excess against any other amounts due to Council.

4. How Council must deal with the Grant Funding

4.1 Use of Funding: Council must:

- (a) use the Funding solely for the purposes set out in the Grant Form and as authorised by the relevant Guidelines,
- (b) only use the Funding within the Funding Period,
- (c) not enter into any arrangements or commitments in relation to the Grant Funding that are incompatible or inconsistent with the relevant Guidelines, and
- (d) fully acquit the funding by 30 June 2020.

4.2 Unspent Funding:

- (a) Any unspent or uncommitted funds held by Council at 31 December 2019 must be returned to OLG by 31 March 2020,
- (b) Council may request to extend this timeframe, and
- (c) OLG may approve or reject that request in OLG's absolute discretion.

4.3 Bank account: Council must ensure that at all times it can demonstrate to the satisfaction of OLG that adequate internal financial controls are in place within the existing Council banking accounts for the identification of the Funding.

4.4 Interest: The Funding must be paid into an interest earning account and

- (a) unless otherwise agreed by OLG, all interest earned on the Funding must be added to the balance of the Fund and be used by Council for the Project only in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- (b) the Funding is to be accounted for separately and funds should be reported as an internally restricted asset within Council's financial statements.

5. Expenditure of the Funding

5.1 Expenditure of Funding: Council is responsible for the expenditure of the Grant Funds. Council agrees to administer the Grant Funding in accordance with:

- (a) the project described in the Grant Form,
- (b) the relevant Guidelines,
- (c) information provided to OLG through the notification process defined in the relevant Guidelines, and
- (d) any reasonable directions given by OLG from time to time regarding the expenditure of the Funding.

5.2 Sub-contractors: The Council may sub-contract all or part of the delivery of projects benefited by Grant Funding to a sub-contractor (including a project partner); but Council:

- (a) Will remain responsible for ensuring the suitability of any sub-contractor (or project partner) for the work proposed to be carried out by them,
- (b) Will ensure that all work carried out by a sub-contractor meets the requirements of this Agreement, and
- (c) Acknowledges that Council is not relieved from any of Council obligations or liabilities under this Agreement.

5.3 Any funding shortfall or funding for ongoing operational activity will be funded by the Council

6. Accountability

6.1 Records: Council must:

- (a) ensure that adequate operational records and registers are kept and maintained concerning decisions made regarding the expenditure of Grant Funding,
- (b) ensure that Council keep financial records concerning the expenditure of Grant funding, in accordance with section 412(1) of the *Local Government Act 1993*,
- (c) retain the records referred to in this clause 7 throughout the Funding Period and for seven (7) years after the date that is the earlier of the date of expiry of the Funding Period or termination of this Agreement.

6.2 Accountability: Council is accountable for all of the Grant Funding Council receives under this Agreement.

6.3 Inspection: Council must permit OLG, or any person authorised by OLG, upon reasonable notice (at least 48 hours) and at any reasonable time, to inspect the records relating to the implementation of the Grant Funding and any project benefiting from the Funding.

6.4 Non compliance with Agreement: If at any time OLG considers that the Funding is not being expended by Council in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, or the relevant Guidelines, then OLG may require Council to take such steps or make such changes as may be specified in writing by OLG and served on Council.

6.5 Nothing in this Agreement prevents the Minister for Local Government or the Chief Executive of OLG from exercising powers available to them under the *Local Government Act 1993*.

7. Reports

Required reports Council will submit to OLG the Reports within the timeframe stipulated by the Guidelines, and any other information that may be necessary to establish to OLG satisfaction that the terms of this Agreement have been or are being satisfied by Council.

These include, but are not limited to:

- a) By 1 March 2019, council's plan for the delivery of all projects the subject of the funding (the Delivery Plan). The Delivery Plan is to include information on governance arrangements, costings, timeframes and expected benefits.
- b) Council is to table progress reports at least quarterly to an ordinary council meeting. The progress report is to include the expenditure and outcomes achieved against the Delivery Plan. This reporting is to continue until the conclusion of the project.
- c) Council must provide a six monthly report each year by the 31 August and 28 February, to the OLG on the delivery progress and expenditure of the Funding.
- d) A final report is to be submitted upon the completion of each project the subject of the Funding. The final report is to include photographs and details of the benefits and outcomes achieved as well as a report against the Delivery Plan.

8. Publicity

- 8.1 **Acknowledgement:** Council will ensure that all public statements relating to any project the subject of the Funding will acknowledge the provision of the Funding by the NSW Government and that it will incorporate the terms set out in Item 5 of Attachment 1.
- 8.2 **OLG right to publicise:** OLG and other agencies of the NSW Government may publicise the provision of the Funding, including:
 - (a) The Council name,
 - (b) The name of any End Recipient,
 - (c) The amount of the Funding, and
 - (d) The title, a brief description and images of any project benefiting from the Funding.
- 8.3 **Acknowledgement of NSW Government Funding:** Council will abide by the following:

- (a) Acknowledge the NSW Government's contribution in any written material in relation to the project and in any permanent signage in relation to any projects funded,
- (b) Use the NSW Government logo in accordance with the *Funding Acknowledgement Guidelines for Recipients of NSW Government Grants* in any publicity provisions of any kind (including any brochures, signage, advertising and invitations), and
- (c) Issue an invitation to the relevant State Government MP to any launch or public event associated with the funding and that where they are able to attend, they are acknowledged as official guests. Where practicable, they should be afforded the courtesy of publicly addressing the event and opening any facility.

9. Changes to Arrangements

- 9.1 Written agreement between Council and OLG must be obtained for any variation to this agreement.

10. Compliance with law

- 10.1 Council must:
 - (a) comply with all applicable standards, laws, regulations policies and statements,
 - (b) not do anything that would cause OLG to breach its obligations under any legislation, and
 - (c) hold all rights, licences and consents required to conduct the Project and otherwise fulfil Council obligations under this Agreement.

11. Indemnity

- 11.1 **Council Indemnity:** Council shall at all times indemnify, hold harmless and defend OLG and its officers, employees and agents ("those indemnified") from and against liability or loss (including reasonable legal costs and expenses), which may be suffered or incurred by any of those indemnified by reason of or in connection with:
 - (a) any infringement or alleged infringement of any Intellectual Property (including Moral Rights) arising from the activities of the Project other than any Intellectual Property supplied by OLG, and
 - (b) any unlawful, wrongful, wilful or negligent act or omission of You or Your officers, employees, agents, contractors and volunteers.

- financial management systems or change management programs,
- costs associated with the preparation for or legal challenges to merger proposals,
- upgrading of council's administration buildings, or
- ongoing staff or operational costs.

8. Accountability and acquittal of funds

Councils will be responsible for the effective governance of the Stronger Communities Fund and will be required to use a project management framework that supports the delivery of projects.

The Stronger Communities Fund is to be spent or committed by 31 December 2019 and all funding acquitted before 30 June 2020. Timeframes for any future funding rounds will be as determined within the Funding Agreement.

Councils are accountable for the expenditure of the Stronger Communities Fund in accordance with these guidelines, which require the following:

- The Office of Local Government will prepare a funding agreement to provide Stronger Community funds to councils, including agreement to undertake the necessary projects.
- On signing of the funding agreement and submission of an invoice, the OLG will provide the funds to councils.
- By December 2018, councils are to notify the OLG of their plan for delivering the tied projects under the Stronger Communities Fund. Notification is to include information on governance arrangements, including costings, timeframes (including major delivery milestones) and expected benefits. Councils are to advise the OLG of any changes to the delivery plan.
- Councils are to table progress reports at least quarterly to an ordinary council meeting on the expenditure and outcomes within their Stronger Communities Fund ongoing reporting.
- Councils must provide six monthly reports each year by 31 August and 28 February, to the Office of Local Government on delivery progress and expenditure within the Stronger Communities Fund reporting.
- A final report is to be submitted on the completion of each of the projects, including photos and description of the benefits and outcomes achieved.
- Any interest received from the investment of the funds is to be added to the balance of the fund.
- The Stronger Communities Fund is to be accounted for separately and funds should be reported as an internally restricted asset within the financial statements.
- Any uncommitted funds by 31 December 2019 must be returned to the OLG by 31 March 2020.

9. Acknowledgement

The funding agreement will specify that funding is conditional on agreement to the Funding Acknowledgment Guidelines for Recipients of NSW Government Grants which can be found at <https://communications.dpc.nsw.gov.au/assets/dpc-nsw-gov-au/files/Communications-and-Engagement/fa6fd6d77a/Funding-Acknowledgment-Guidelines-for-Recipients-of-NSW-Government-Grants.pdf>

In particular, each Council will abide by the following:

- Ensure that all public statements relating to the Project or the Grant Funding acknowledge the provision of the funding by the NSW Government.

- Acknowledge the NSW Government's contribution in any written material in relation to the project and in any permanent signage in relation to any projects funded.
- Use the NSW Government logo in accordance with the NSW Government Style guide in any publicity provisions of any kind (including any brochures, signage, advertising and invitations).
- Issue an invitation to the Minister for Local Government (or nominee) to any launch or public event associated with the funding and that where they are able to attend, they are acknowledged as official guests. Where practicable, they should be afforded the courtesy of publicly addressing the event and opening any facility.

10. Timeframes

The Stronger Communities Fund allocation must be spent or committed by 31 December 2019 and fully acquitted by 30 June 2020. Any uncommitted funds by 31 December 2019 must be returned to the OLG by 31 March 2020.

Council is to notify the OLG at the earliest time if it will be unable to meet these timeframes. Extensions will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

11. Contacts

Council's Office of Local Government Council Engagement Manager is available to provide advice on the Stronger Communities Fund.



STRONGER COMMUNITIES FUND

TIED GRANT ROUND

FUNDING AGREEMENT

Document tendered by

Mr Daniel Shoenbridge

Received by

Tina Mrozowski

Date:

5/12/2020

Resolved to publish *Yes* / No

DEED		
BETWEEN	Name	The Chief Executive, Office of Local Government for and on behalf of the Crown in the right of the State of New South Wales (OLG)
	A.B.N	44 913 630 046
	Address	Locked Bag 3015, Nowra, NSW 2541
		Fax: Email:
AND	Name	The Council described in Item 1 of Attachment 1

Background

- In conjunction with the NSW Government's announcement in May 2016 to create new councils across the State, the Government has established two funds being the Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) and the New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF).
- The purpose of the Funds is to provide new councils with the funding to kick start the delivery of projects that improve community infrastructure and services and to cover the upfront costs of implementing the new council. The relevant Funding Period is set out in the Guidelines established for each fund.
- In September 2017 the Government agreed to provide additional funding support to new councils for community infrastructure projects through the Stronger Communities Fund – Tied Grants program.
- OLG has the function of providing funding to Councils and it is the Agency of the State to which the Council will report regarding the expenditure of funds provided to the Council.
- The Council agrees to accept the Funding set out in this Agreement in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

Operative Provisions

1. Request for Grant Funding

- 1.1 **Funding Request:** In consideration for the submission of the completed Grant form, Attachment 1, Council agrees to apply the funds provided by OLG in accordance with and subject to the terms of this Agreement.
- 1.2 **Guidelines:** Council agrees to at all times comply with the Guidelines issued by the NSW Government being the Stronger Communities Fund – Tied Grants Guidelines (Attachment 2) issued in respect to the Fund, and as amended from time to time (the relevant Guidelines).

2. Payment

- 2.1 **Payment:** Subject to this Agreement, OLG will pay the Grant Funds to Council within 30 days of OLG receiving the following.
- 2.2 **Grant Form:** The Council shall complete and deliver to OLG the Grant Form Attachment 1. This Agreement shall be binding on the Council from the date the Grant Form is delivered to OLG.
- 2.3 **Tax Invoice:** OLG will provide a recipient created Tax Invoice.

3. GST:

3.1 **Supply is GST exclusive:** Unless otherwise indicated, all consideration for any supply under this Agreement is exclusive of any GST imposed in relation to the supply.

3.2 **What happens if GST is imposed:** If:

- (a) Despite any other provision of this Agreement, GST is imposed on any supply by Council to OLG under this Agreement; and
- (b) OLG are or will be entitled to receive an input tax credit (as defined in the GST Law) in relation to that supply.

OLG will pay to Council an additional amount equal to the GST imposed on that supply at the time and in the manner OLG determines is suitable in relation to that supply.

3.3 **Council must be GST registered:** Council must be registered under the GST Law at the time of making any supply under this Agreement on which GST is imposed.

3.4 **Consequences of non-registration:** If Council is not registered under the GST Law as required under clause 3.3 then the Council will not be entitled to receive any additional amount as provided under this clause 3 (GST).

3.5 **If OLG pay Council too much:** If for any reason OLG pays to Council an amount under this clause 3 (GST) which is more than the GST imposed on the supply, Council must repay the excess to OLG on demand and if not paid OLG may set off the excess against any other amounts due to Council.

4. How Council must deal with the Grant Funding

4.1 **Use of Funding:** Council must:

- (a) use the Funding solely for the purposes set out in the Grant Form and as authorised by the relevant Guidelines;
- (b) only use the Funding within the Funding Period; and
- (c) not enter into any arrangements or commitments in relation to the Grant Funding that are incompatible or inconsistent with the relevant Guidelines.

4.2 **Unspent Funding:**

- (a) Any unspent or uncommitted funds held by Council at 31 December 2018 must be returned to OLG by 30 March 2019;
- (b) Council may request to extend this timeframe; and

- (c) OLG may approve or reject that request in OLG's absolute discretion.

4.3 **Bank account:** Council must ensure that at all times it can demonstrate to the satisfaction of OLG that adequate internal financial controls are in place within the existing Council banking accounts for the identification of the Funding.

4.4 **Interest:** The Funding must be paid into an interest earning account and, unless otherwise agreed by OLG, all interest earned on the Funding must be added to the balance of the Fund and be used by Council for the Project only in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

5. Expenditure of the Funding

5.1 **Expenditure of Funding:** Council is responsible for the expenditure of the Grant Funds. Council agrees to administer the Grant Funding in accordance with:

- (a) the project described in the Grant Form;
- (b) the relevant Guidelines;
- (c) information provided to OLG through the notification process defined in the relevant Guidelines; and
- (d) any reasonable directions given by OLG from time to time regarding the expenditure of the Funding.

5.2 **Sub-contractors:** The Council may sub-contract all or part of the delivery of projects benefited by Grant Funding to a sub-contractor (including a project partner); but Council:

- (a) Will remain responsible for ensuring the suitability of any sub-contractor (or project partner) for the work proposed to be carried out by them;
- (b) Will ensure that all work carried out by a sub-contractor meets the requirements of this Agreement; and
- (c) Acknowledges that Council is not relieved from any of Council obligations or liabilities under this Agreement.

6. Accountability

6.1 **Records:** Council must:

- (a) ensure that adequate financial and operational records and registers are kept and maintained concerning decisions made regarding the expenditure of Grant Funding;

EXECUTED AS A DEED by OLG on 30 November 2017

Executed by OLG by the Chief Executive of)
the Office of Local Government for and on)
behalf of the Crown in right of New South)
Wales but not so as to incur any personal)
liability:)
in the presence of:)

(Witness name) J

TIMOTHY HURST

(Chief Executive)

(Signature)

(signature)

ATTACHMENT 1

GRANT FUNDING SOUGHT BY COUNCIL APPLICATION

This attachment forms part of the Funding Agreement

between OLG and Northern Beaches Council

Item 1 Council Details

Council: Northern Beaches Council
Name: Mark Ferguson
Position: General Manager
Northern Beaches Council
PO Box 882
MONA VALE NSW 1660

Item 2 Approved Project(s)

Project	Allocation (\$'000)
Church Point Community Park (Pasadena Building)	8,000
Wakehurst Parkway flood mitigation	5,000
Mona Vale Public School – Regional Performing Arts Centre	2,500
Mona Vale Surf Club refurbishment	1,400
Long Reef Surf Club refurbishment	500
Currawong Beach heritage refurbishment	1,000
North Pittwater foreshore improvements	1,000
Scotland Island wastewater feasibility study	300
Northern Pittwater permanent netball courts	300
Newport Surf Club refurbishment (planning)	100
Barrenjoey High School Performance space	1,000
TOTAL	21,100

Item 3 Funding Period

End date: 30 March 2019

Item 4 Grant Funding

Funding Sought:

Stronger Communities Funding: \$21,100,000

ATTACHMENT 2: STRONGER COMMUNITIES FUND – TIED GRANTS GUIDELINES

Purpose of the Stronger Communities Fund

The Stronger Communities Fund was established by the NSW Government to provide new councils with funding for the delivery of projects that improve community infrastructure and services.

The first round of the Stronger Communities Fund has been utilised by communities and councils providing up to \$15 million for each new council to kick start delivery of priority community initiatives.

The tied grant round of the Stronger Communities Fund will provide funding for specific projects, identified by the NSW Government, within the new councils.

Purpose of these Guidelines

These Guidelines have been developed to assist councils to understand their obligations in relation to the tied grant round of the Stronger Communities Fund, including requirements for governance and reporting.

Available funding

Stronger Communities tied grants will be provided to new councils created in 2016. Funding will be allocated by the NSW Government based on priorities identified by the NSW Government.

How the Stronger Communities Fund can be spent?

Funds will be required to be spent on identified projects. Any funding shortfall or funding for ongoing operational activity will be funded by the council.

Councils are responsible for implementing projects, consistent with these Guidelines.

Variation of identified projects

Any application by the Council to vary the projects to be funded or for the purpose of the tied grant will be considered on case by case basis. Any proposal to vary or modify the tied grant shall be made to the Minister for Local Government.

Criteria for selecting projects

Councils are to fund projects, identified by the NSW Government, that deliver new or improved infrastructure or services to the community.

Projects must meet the following criteria:

- demonstrate social and/or economic benefits to the community; and
- give consideration to the processes and procedures outlined in the capital expenditure review guidelines issued by the Office of Local Government.

What are ineligible activities?

The Stronger Communities Fund is not to be used for:

- implementation costs of the new council such information technology systems, financial management systems or change management programs;
- upgrading of council's administration buildings;
- ongoing staff or operational costs;
- projects where the former council had previously allocated funding; and

- retrospective funding for work undertaken prior to the establishment of the new council.

Accountability and acquittal of funds

Councils will be responsible for the effective governance of the Stronger Communities Fund and will be required to use a project management framework that supports the delivery of projects.

The Stronger Communities Fund is to be spent or committed by 31 December 2018 and all funding acquitted before 30 June 2019.

Councils are accountable for the expenditure of the Stronger Communities Fund in accordance with these guidelines, which require the following:

- The Office of Local Government will prepare a funding agreement to provide Stronger Community funds to councils, including agreement to undertake the necessary projects.
- On signing of the funding agreement and submission of an invoice, the OLG will provide the funds to councils.
- By December 2017, councils are to notify the OLG of their plan for delivering the tied projects under the Stronger Communities Fund. Notification is to include information on governance arrangements, including costings, timeframes (including major delivery milestones) and expected benefits. Councils are to advise the OLG of any changes to the delivery plan.
- Councils are to table progress reports at least quarterly to an ordinary council meeting on the expenditure and outcomes within their Stronger Communities Fund ongoing reporting.
- Councils must provide six monthly reports each year by 31 August and 28 February, to the Office of Local Government on delivery progress and expenditure within the Stronger Councils Fund reporting.
- A final report is to be submitted on the completion of each of the projects, including photos and description of the benefits and outcomes achieved.
- Any interest received from the investment of the funds is to be added to the balance of the fund.
- The Stronger Communities Fund is to be accounted for separately and funds should be reported as an internally restricted asset within the financial statements.
- Any uncommitted funds by 31 December 2018 must be returned to the OLG by 30 March 2019.

Acknowledgement

Council will abide by the following:

- Ensure that all public statements relating to the Project or the Grant Funding acknowledge the provision of the funding by the NSW Government.
- Acknowledge the NSW Government's contribution in any written material in relation to the project and in any permanent signage in relation to any projects funded.
- Use the NSW Government logo in accordance with the *Funding Acknowledgement Guidelines for Recipients of NSW Government Grants* (available at <https://sc.dpc.nsw.gov.au/resources/branding/>) in any publicity provisions of any kind, including any brochures, signage, advertising and invitations.

- Issue an invitation to the Minister for Local Government (or nominee) to any launch or public event associated with the funding and that where they are able to attend, they are acknowledged as official guests. Where practicable, they should be afforded the courtesy of publicly addressing the event and opening any facility.

Timeframes

The Stronger Communities Fund allocation must be spent or committed by 31 December 2018 and fully acquitted by 30 June 2019. Any uncommitted funds by 31 December 2018 must be returned to the OLG by 30 March 2019.

Council is to notify the OLG at the earliest time if it will be unable to meet these timeframes. Extensions will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Contacts

Council's Office of Local Government Relationship Manager is available to provide advice on the Stronger Communities Fund.

ATTACHMENT 3: Acquittal Certificate

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT BY GRANT RECIPIENT

Certification by two authorised offices of the grant recipient organisation

We, _____

and _____

Confirm that: _____

1. An amount equal to the total Grant paid (\$ _____) has been expended on the Project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Funding Agreement dated _____, with the State of New South Wales represented by the Office of Local Government (OLG).

OR

2. The total Grant of \$ _____ has not been expended. An amount of \$ _____ has not been expended and –

(a) a cheque for this amount made payable to the OLG is attached.

OR

(b) An electronic funds transfer for this amount has been transferred into the bank account of OLG.

All funds were expended in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Funding Agreement dated _____ with the State of New South Wales represented by the OLG;

AND

A complete set of accounting and financial records relevant to the Project have been maintained.

Date: _____	Date: _____
Signature: _____	Signature: _____
Name: _____	Name: _____
Position: _____	Position: _____
Witness signature: _____	Witness signature: _____
Witness name: _____	Witness name: _____