



MINUTES COMMUNITY SERVICES AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

GWYDIR SHIRE COUNCIL

THURSDAY 9 MARCH 2017

COMMENCING AT 9.31 AM

BINGARA OFFICE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Present:

Councillors: Cr. John Coulton (Mayor), Cr. Catherine Egan (Deputy Mayor), Cr. Stuart Dick, Cr Marilyn Dixon OAM, Cr. Jim Moore, Cr. Geoff Smith and Cr Frances Young.

Staff: Max Eastcott (General Manager), Leeah Daley (Deputy General Manager), Richard Jane (Director Technical Services), Ron Wood (Chief Financial Officer) and Glen Pereira (Director Development and Environmental Services)

Public: Mrs N Williams (*Bingara Advocate and Warialda Standard*)

Visitor: Nil

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OFFICIAL OPENING AND WELCOME – MAYOR

APOLOGIES Cr. David Coulton and Cr Tiffany Galvin

THAT the apologies of Cr David Coulton and Cr Tiffany Galvin are accepted.

(Moved Cr Young, seconded Cr Egan)

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

THAT the Minutes of the previous Community Services and Planning Committee Meeting held on Thursday 9 February 2017 as circulated be taken as read and CONFIRMED.

(Moved Cr Dick, seconded Cr Dixon)

PRESENTATION - NIL

CALL FOR THE DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Crs Young and J Coulton declared a less than significant pecuniary interest in *Monthly Report - Development and Environmental Services* under the Local Government Act as staff report noted that they had each lodged a Development Application.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

THAT the Council resolve into Confidential Session, Committee of the Whole and that in the public interest and in accordance with Section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act, 1993, the public and press be excluded from the meeting to consider the items listed on the agenda.

(Moved Cr Egan, seconded Cr Young)

ADOPTION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

THAT the recommendations of the Confidential Session, namely:

Monthly Confidential Report - February - Organisation and Community Development

THAT the Monthly Confidential Organisation and Community Development report for February 2017 be received.

Councillor and staff reports

Treasury Corporation (TCorp) Review

THAT the information is noted

Namoi Joint Organisation Membership

THAT the Mayor is authorised to progress, in a positive manner, discussions to initiate the reallocation of both Moree Plains and Gwydir Shire Councils into the New England Joint Organisation from the Namoi Joint Organisation.

Circular Economy Management Committee

THAT an allocation of \$80,000 be made from the Sewer and Waste Funds to cover the proposed costs of developing the conceptual plan for a Biogas facility, subject to a clear definition of the outcomes expected together with a more detailed budget and timetable for delivery of the outcomes. Any request for additional funding up to \$102,000 will only be considered if supported by the detailed budget outlining why \$80,000 is insufficient to meet the project brief.

FURTHER that the Mayor be authorised to attend the fact finding visit to Europe to finalise the development of the conceptual plan.

FURTHER that the General Manager prepare the appropriate documentation to submit to the Minister for Local Government in accordance with Section 358 of the *Local Government Act*.

FURTHER that the Council source a loan for \$500,000 from either the Council's Sewer Fund or the National Australia Bank

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for the purpose of further developing the circular economy proposals.

FURTHER that the General Manager is authorised to finalise the survey and land purchase from Mr. James Lucas for the price outlined.

are adopted.

(Moved Cr Egan, seconded Cr Young)

**Item 1 Monthly Organisation and Community Development
Report - February 2017**

FILE REFERENCE

DELIVERY PROGRAM

GOAL: 5. Organisational Management

OUTCOME: 5.1 CORPORATE MANAGEMENT

STRATEGY: 5.1.3 Administrative functions - GM - internal

AUTHOR Organisational and Community Development Director

DATE 1 March 2017

STAFF DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST Nil

IN BRIEF/ SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION

The monthly Organisation and Community Development report details the activities carried out by the Department during the month of February 2017.

BACKGROUND

The monthly Organisation and Community Development report forms part of a regular reporting regime. The purpose of the report is to inform Council of the activities carried out within the Department.

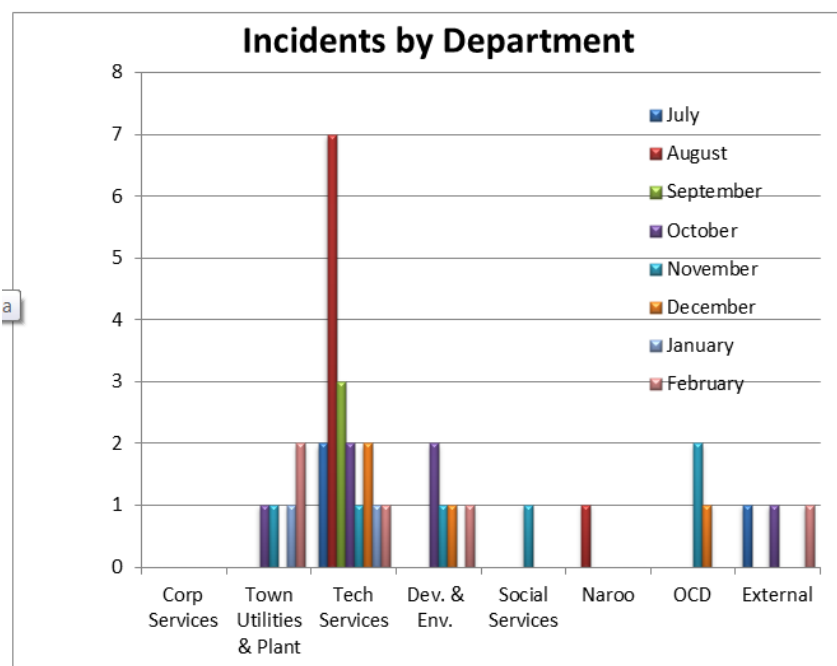
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INCIDENT REPORTING

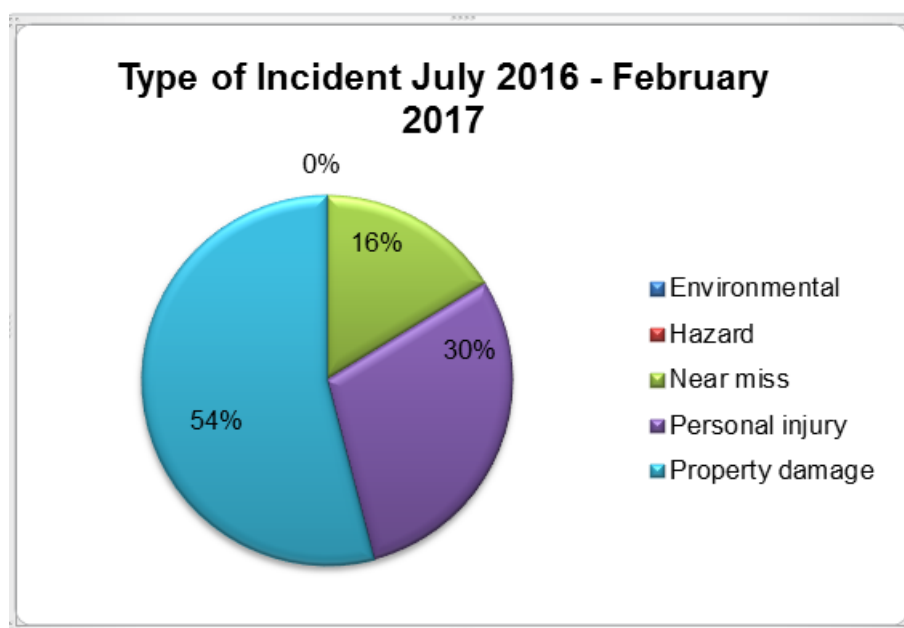
Incidents reported in February 2017

There were 5 incidents/near misses reported for the month of February 2017:

- 3 in Bingara and 2 in Warialda
- 3 incidents were internal, 1 near miss internal and 1 near miss external.



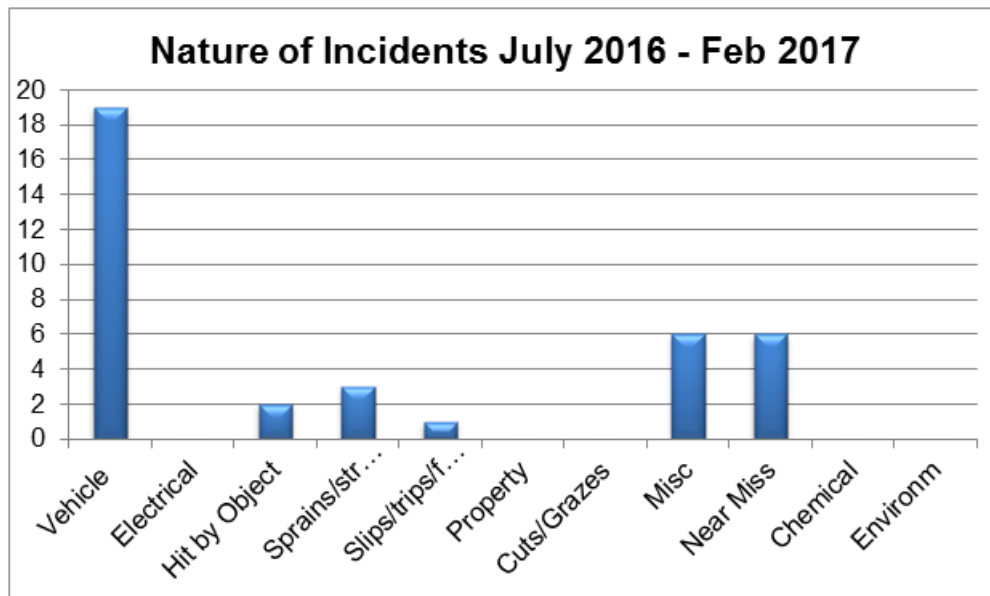
Council's Incident/Accident report form defines the injury/accident into five categories:



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The nature of incidents reported has been broken down into 11 categories:



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Roxy Theatre Heritage Listing

Roxy management is very excited to announce that The Roxy Theatre Heritage application on display for public comment earlier this year, received several submissions in support of the listing. The Heritage Council made a recommendation in favour of the listing at its monthly meeting held on Wednesday 1 March 2017 and will now go to the Minister to gazetting. Heritage listing the Roxy theatre was an important step to ensuring the building is preserved for years to come and also open up many grant funding opportunities.

Roxy Usage during February 2017

Roxy Theatre

9 February – Gwydir Shire Council health forum – 120 attended

24 February – Women's Health Night – 75 attended

26 February – North West Theatre Company (NWTC) film – 30 attended

Roxy Café

24 February – CWA morning tea – 30 attended

24 February – Women's Health Night – 75 attended

Roxy Conference Room

12 February – NWTC rehearsal – 20 attended

18 and 19 February – NWTC auditions – 20 attended each day

Newcastle Caravan and Camping Expo

The Gwydir once again proves to be the destination of choice for caravan and motorhome travellers with overwhelming numbers of requests for information by attendees at the Newcastle Caravan and Camping Expo held recently.

Taking place over four (4) days, the expo is the largest display of its type outside of Sydney, attracting thousands of visitors, as well as over 170 exhibitors from the caravan and camping industry, from holiday destinations to equipment and caravan sales.

Gwydir Shire Council participated in the expo as part of the New England North West Tourism which is made up of several councils throughout the region and the stand was manned by representatives from each local government area.

“Despite the heat, crowd numbers were still high and overwhelmingly most of the requests by visitors to the stand were for information on the Gwydir” said Georgia Standerwick, Gwydir Shire Council Marketing and Promotions Team Leader.

“At one point I felt a little sorry for the other towns on our stand as visitor after visitor either raved about the towns in our shire if they had already visited, or requested brochures and information if they had not yet been. It was no doubt the most requested destination at the New England North West stand which is really exciting for our little shire” said Georgia.

New England North West Tourism will represent the region over the next few months at shows throughout Australia including Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane and Coffs Harbour.



Left: Georgia Standerwick from Gwydir Shire Council manning the stand at the Caravan and Camping Show in Newcastle



Above: Nikki Robertson Liverpool Plains Shire, Chris Friend (Gunnedah Shire) and Penny Jobling (Narrabri Shire Council) – New England North West Tourism

GWYDIR LEARNING REGION

The Living Classroom, Bingara

Bingara Central School 'Civics' students attend The Living Classroom each week and work on the raised kitchen garden beds.

Work for the Dole crew have established several hundred metres of white gravel paving under supervision.

TLC education options packages are currently being developed.

Total Agricultural College conducted a three (3) day beekeeping session at TLC during February.

Horticulture Certificate III course will begin at TLC in March in conjunction with Community College and Australian Training and Consulting (ATAC).



Bingara Central School 'Civics' students working in the raised garden beds at The Living Classroom

TOURISM

Warialda Visitor Information Centre

December 2016	January 2017	February 2017
Opening Hrs = 197.50	Opening Hrs = 159.50	Opening Hrs = 150.00
Volunteer Hrs = 32.50	Volunteer Hrs = 35.50	Volunteer Hrs = 21.50

Bingara Visitor Information Centre

December 2016	January 2017	February 2017
Opening Hrs = 118.5	Opening Hrs = 166	Opening Hrs = 162
Volunteer Hrs = 32	Volunteer Hrs = 36	Volunteer Hrs = 32

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Income – Warialda VIC	\$ Dec	\$ Jan	\$ Feb
Caravan Park	3,651.00	2,032.00	1,647.00
Plants of Gwydir Shire / Cunningham's Track	35.00	50.00	20.00
NSW Trainlink sales	606.38	486.80	359.55
Centre Hire	20.00	20.00	20.00
Merchandise sales	1,780.80	1,224.80	970.70
Goods on Consignment Sales	43.00	0.00	3.00
Subtotal	6,136.18	4,040.90	3,020.25
Less Caravan Park Money Banked	3,651.00	2,032.00	1,647.00
Less Payment to NSW Trainlink	606.38	486.80	359.55
Total Monthly Income Warialda VIC	\$1,878.80	\$2,245.15	\$1,013.70

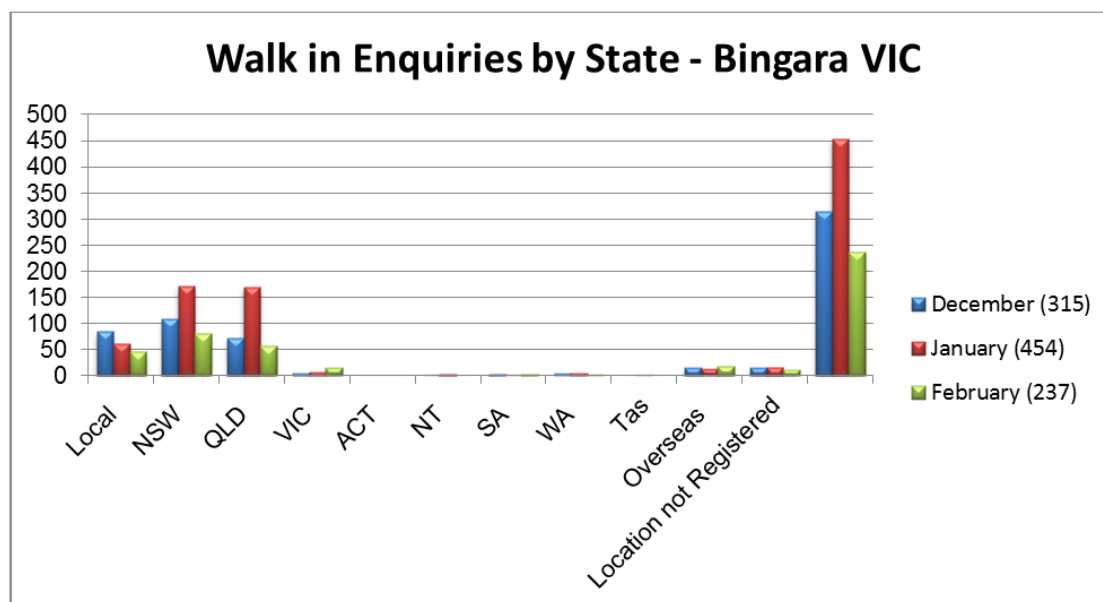
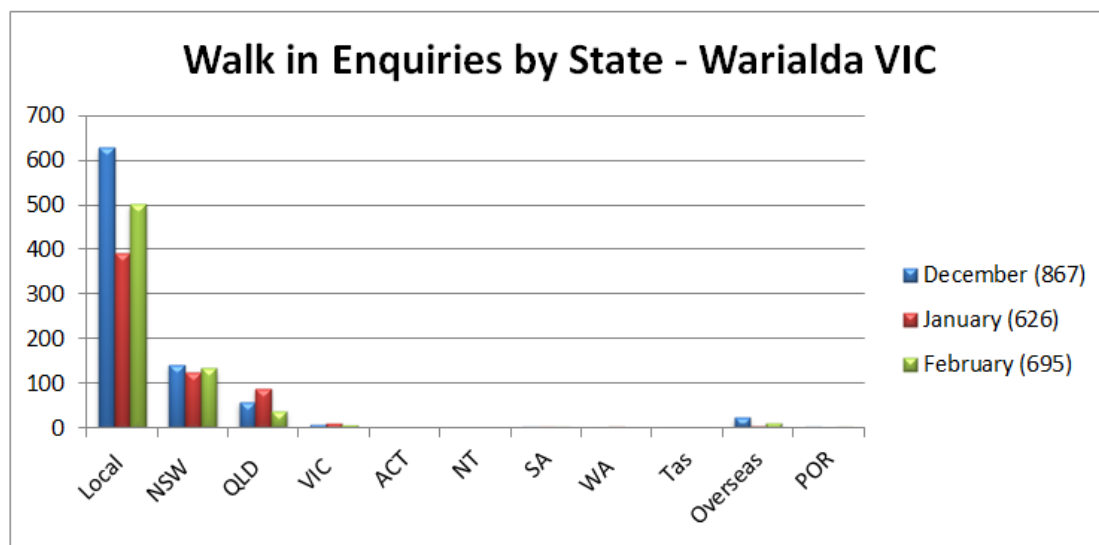
Income – Bingara VIC	\$ Dec	\$ Jan	\$ Feb
Products on Consignment	\$ 12.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 00 .00
Merchandise	\$ 660.50	\$ 443.00	\$ 416.80
Subtotal	\$ 672.50	\$ 458.00	\$ 416.80
Less payments to consignees	\$ 8.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 00.00
Merchandise Income subtotal	\$ 664.50	\$ 448.00	\$ 416.80
VIC Commission received on Event bookings undertaking on behalf of Community Groups – sub total	\$ 77.60	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
Monthly VIC Income total (Merchandise + Commission)	\$ 742.10	\$ 448.00	\$ 416.80
Roxy Tour Income Collected at Visitor Information Centre (VIC) and/or Donations	\$ 110.50	\$ 170.00	\$ 90.00
Other VIC Income	December	January	February
Merchandise	\$ 81.00	\$ 00.00	\$ 50.00
Events / Performances	\$ 00.00	\$ 64.50	\$ 00.00

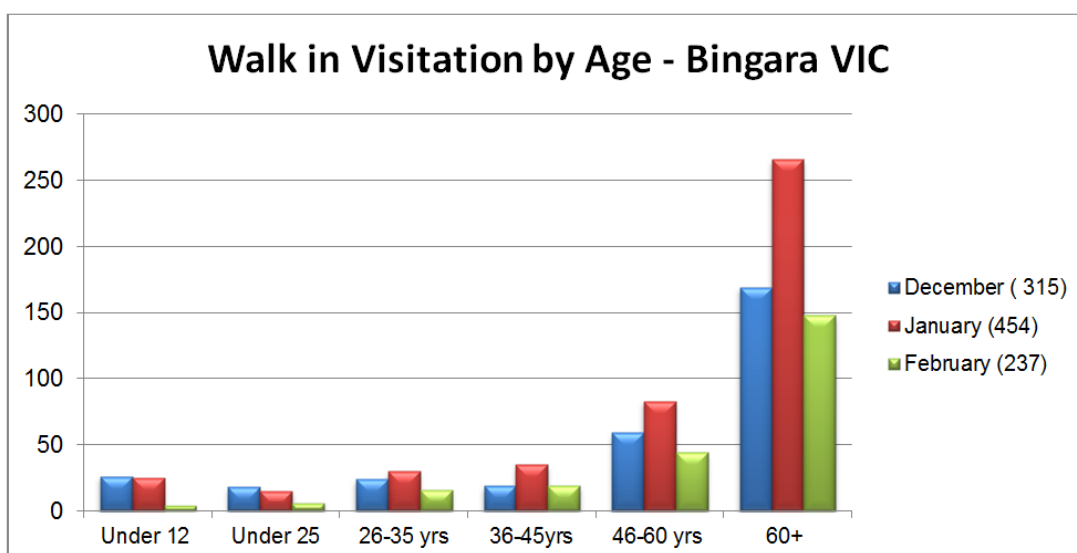
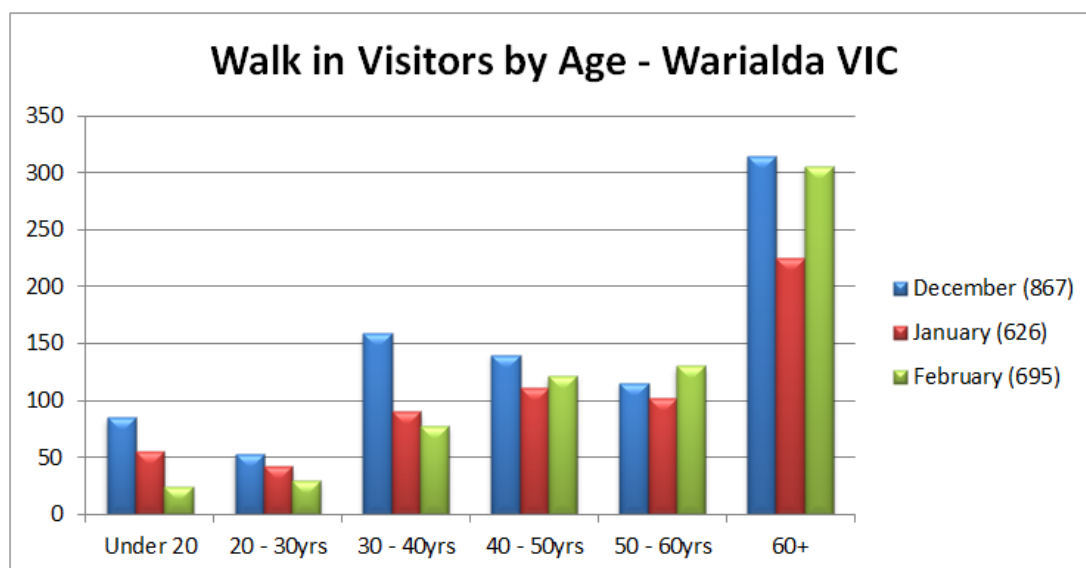
Cranky Rock Sites	Dec	Jan	Feb
Powered sites	17	10	54
Unpowered sites	7	4	18
Camping sites	0	0	0
Total	24	14	72

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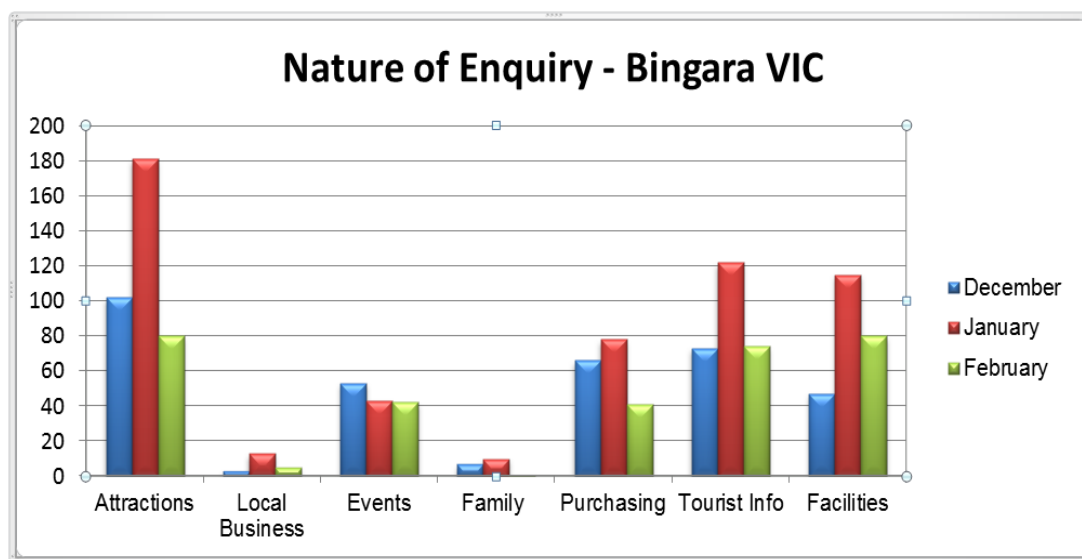
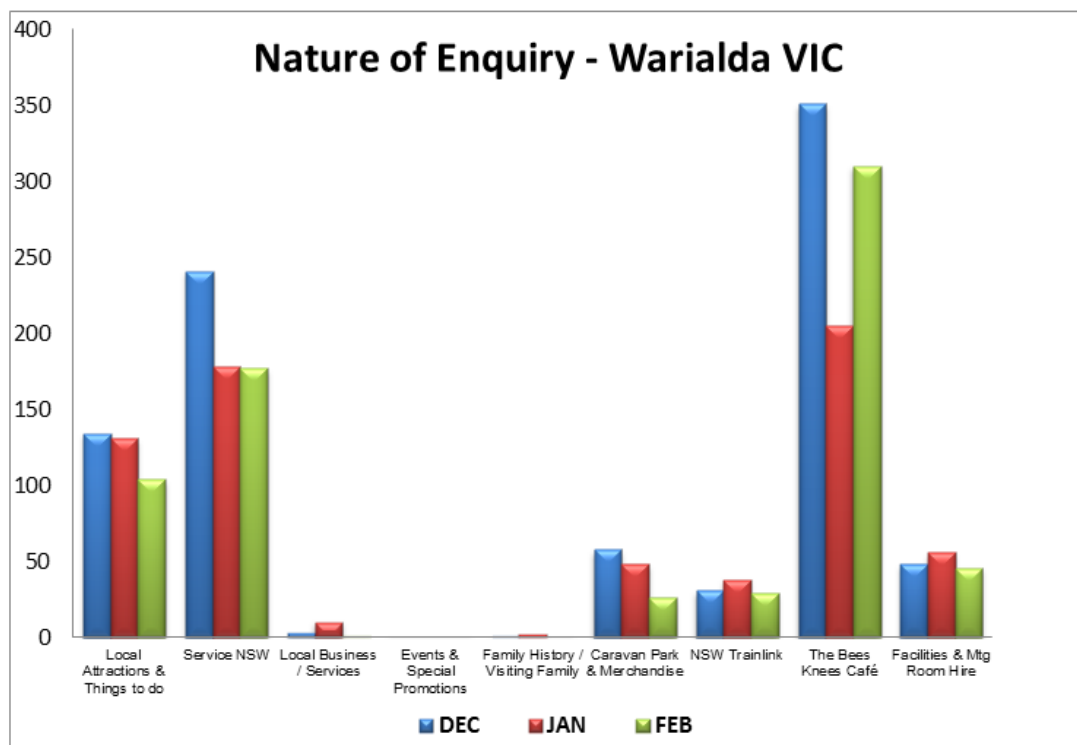
Visitors at Warialda VIC	Dec	Jan	Feb
Visitors	516	463	385
Cafe	351	205	310
Total	867	668	695





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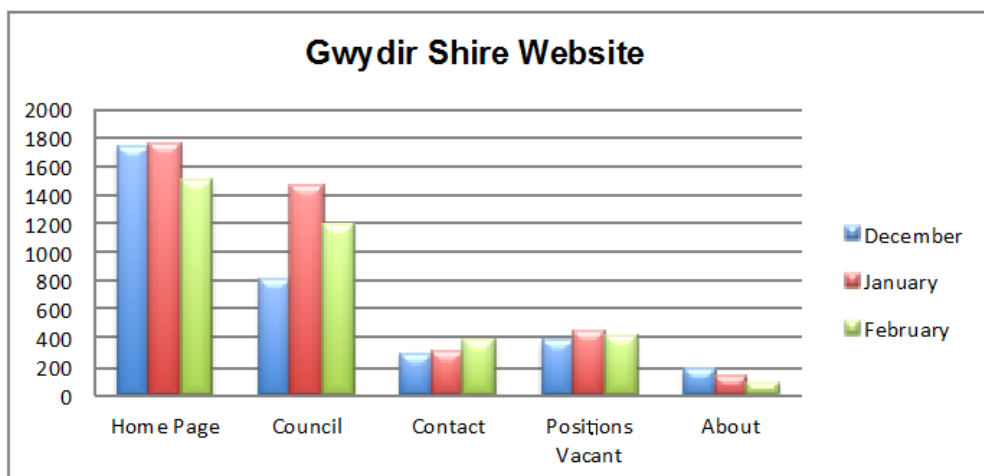


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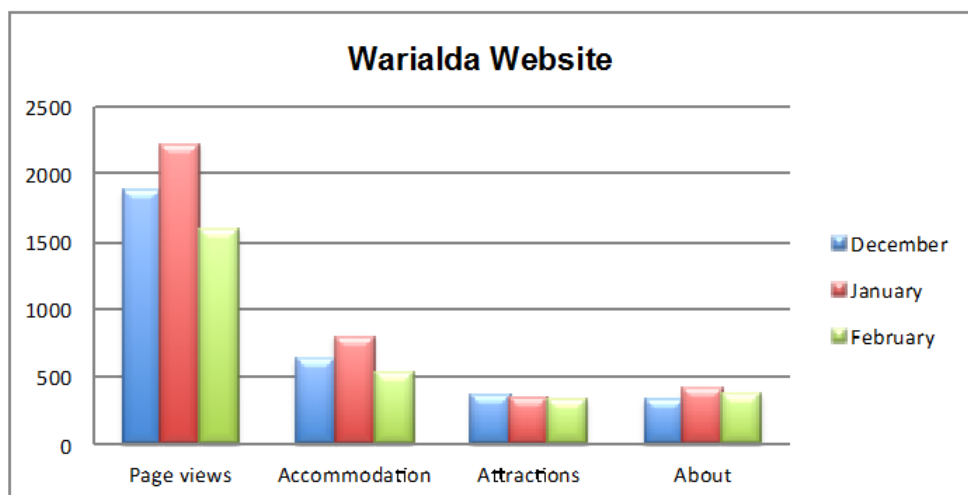
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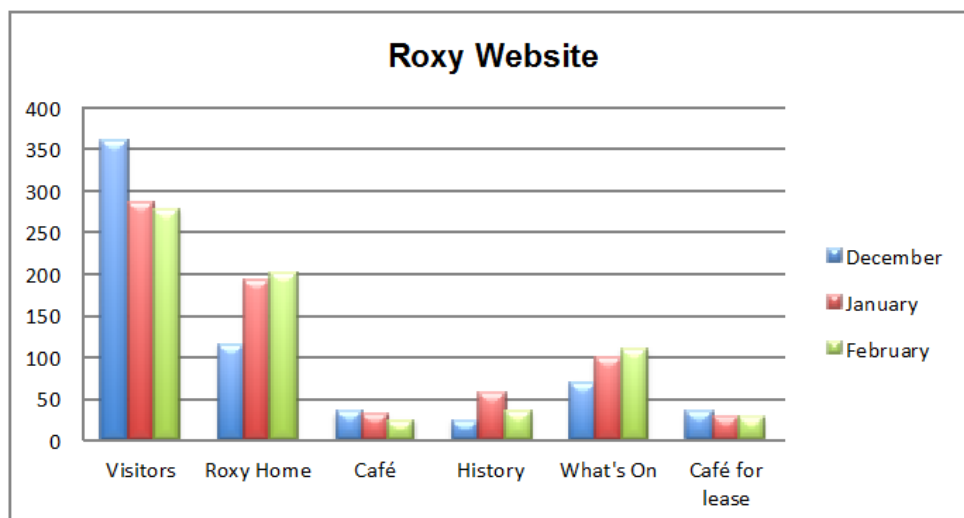
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Warialda Website



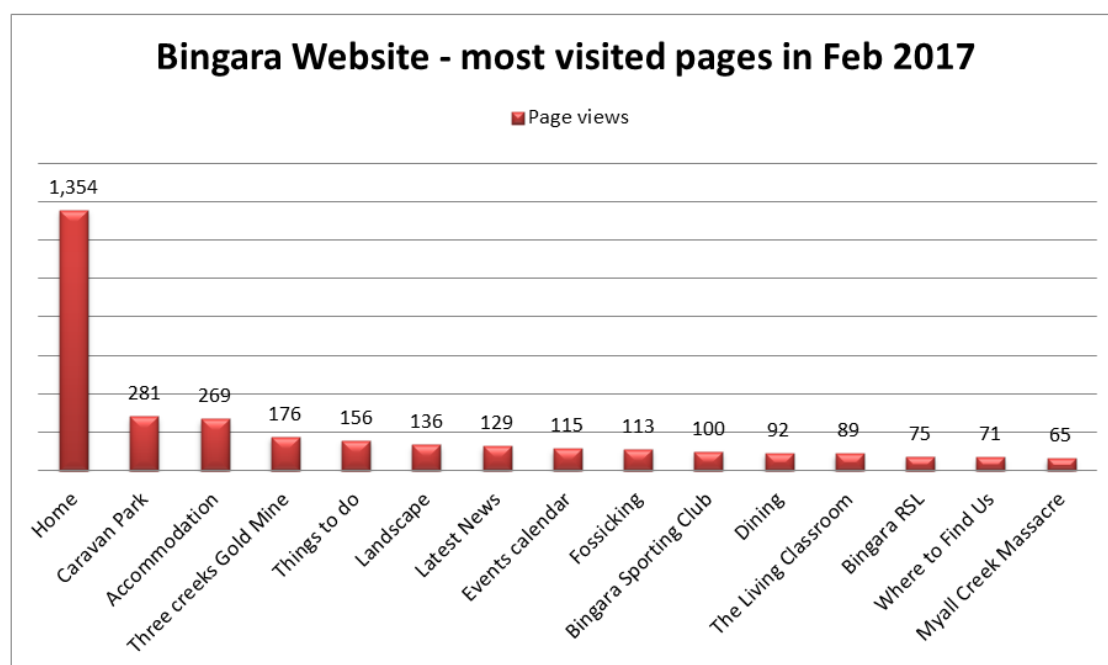
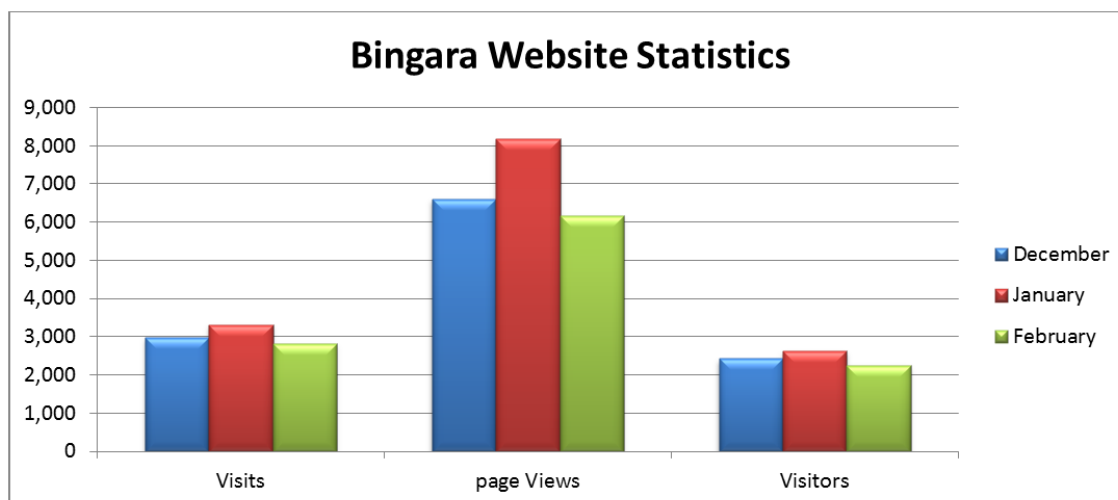
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Bingara Website



SOCIAL SERVICES

Bingara Neighbourhood Centre

Funding body - Family and Community Services

There have been 54 points of contact for September, October and November at the Neighbourhood Centre. Counselling and advocacy are still the main areas covered by the Centre. 5 gift cards have been distributed. 'Broadband for Seniors' continues to operate from the Library with good usage for the month. Grocery Gift Cards featured strongly over the last three months.

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Bingara Toy Library

*Funding body – Early Childhood Education and Care Directorate
NSW Department of Education and Communities*

Particulars	December	January	February
Toy Library Members- children utilising the service	100 28 after school	81 8 after school	52 71 after school
Toy Library Members - Parents/Adults Attending	60	37	49
Total memberships at Bingara Toy Library	19 borrowing 11 non borrow 4 birth	20 borrowing 13 non borrow 4 birth	21 borrowing 15 non borrow 5 birth
Toys returned	16	15	31
Toys borrowed	24	20	15
Children/ Group using toys (members)	17+ Drs	20	16+ FDC x 1 Drs Surg School
Craft/sing song/ story time	90 children 50 adults	84 children 48 adults	46 children 33 adults

Craft sessions this month were well attended. All activities are age appropriate for the children and build their skills in many areas. Craft is usually something easy which can be replicated at home with things around the home so families go home with ideas to do themselves on another day with their child.



Craft sessions at Toy Library

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Supported Playgroup Development Worker

Funding body – Families NSW

Gwydir Toy Library – Warialda

Warialda Toy Library	Nos Feb
Total daily attendance count for children, (no. of children having utilised the service calculating each day over the month)	125
Full borrowing members (new)	0
Non borrowing members (new & or renew)	0
Casual borrowing members (new or renew))	1
Toys returned	12
Toys borrowed	22
Groups using the service (FDC carers, Church & Pharmacy)	5
Monday group activity morning (due to school holiday break)	43
Tuesday group activity morning – just 2 sessions	34
Thursday group activity morning –just the 2 sessions	22
Friday group activity morning –just the 2 sessions	26

Playgroup Location	Feb 2017 Attendance no	Total no. of new families enrolled
Warialda - Mon Morning	43	2
Gravesend - Wed Morning,	23	0
Bingara - Thur Morning	43	2
Total	109	0

Mums & Bubs Splash & Play

Bingara - Mums & Bubs Splash & Play –February 2017

Date	Boys	Girls	Total
6 th February	8	2	10
13 th February	3		3
15 th February	7	2	9
20 th February	5	1	6
22 nd February	3	0	3
27 th February	4		4
Total Points Of Contact for 6 Sessions held in February 2017		35	
Number of children & families enrolled of Splash & Play Bingara 2016/2017 Season		22 families, 27 children 7 girls, 20 boys	

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Mums & Bubs resumed on 6 February 2017. There were six (6) sessions held for the month. As it has started to cool off, attendance has been dropping. There will be two (2) sessions held in March and that will conclude the session for the season.



Mums and bubs – Splash and Play

Vacation Care

*Funding body – Early Childhood Education and Care Directorate
NSW Department of Education and Communities*

2016 December School Holiday Activities Statistics

Total Points of contact 19 th December – 22 nd December	113
Number of children and families enrolled for holiday activities	33 families, 49 children 29 girls, 20 boys
Number of children and families enrolled for holiday activities, Bingara	24 families, 31 children 19 girls, 12 boys 77 points of contact
Number of children and families enrolled for holiday activities, Warialda	9 families, 18 children 10 girls, 8 boys 36 points of contact

School holiday fun activities were held for four (4) days prior to Christmas in Bingara. There was a daily bus from Warialda allowing children from Warialda to attend. There was no cost for the bus.

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Children participated in many different Christmas crafts, games and free play. On Wednesday 21 December there was an excursion to Tamworth to visit the Tamworth Library and Art Gallery, then a visit to Marsupial Park. Children enjoyed the day and said they would like to go back again. 37 children attended the excursion.



Children enjoying lunch on the deck



Excursion to Marsupial Park, Tamworth

2017 January School Holiday Activities Statistics

Total Points of contact 9 th January – 20 th January 2017	166
Total number of children and families enrolled for holiday activities	32 families, 54 children 30 girls, 24 boys
Number of children and families enrolled for holiday activities, Bingara	24 families, 35 children 20 girls, 15 boys 118 points of contact
Number of children and families enrolled for holiday activities, Warialda	8 families, 19 children 10 girls, 9 boys 48 points of contact

School holiday fun activities were held for two (2) weeks during the January holiday period. There was a daily bus from Warialda allowing children from Warialda to attend. There was no cost for the bus.

There were many different activities on offer for the children. The favorites were the Perler Beads which kept the children engaged. Children had to design and thread beads onto a board then the supervisors ironed them to create their pattern. Celebrity heads, wink murder, Sonna Macca Dora, sand art, water diffusing designs and apple bobbing were amongst other craft and activities the children really enjoyed.

CONCLUSION

The activities carried out by the Organisation and Community Development Department are in line with the 2016/2017 Operational Plan and otherwise as directed.

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CONSULTATION

Consultation has occurred within the Organisation and Community Development Directorate.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Policy implications are those relating to the 2016/2017 Operational Plan and the Policies of Gwydir Shire Council.

FINANCIAL, ECONOMIC and RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (including Asset Management)

The activities carried out by the Organisation and Community Development Department are in line with the 2016/2017 Operational Plan.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS (Social and Environment)

The activities undertaken by the Organisation and Community Development Department regarding social and environmental factors are targeted in line with the 2016/2017 Operational Plan.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

THAT the monthly Organisation and Community Development report for February 2017 be received

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

THAT the monthly Organisation and Community Development report for February 2017 be received.

(Moved Cr Dixon, seconded Cr Egan)

**Item 2 Monthly Development and Environmental Services Report
- February 2017**

FILE REFERENCE

DELIVERY PROGRAM

GOAL: 5. Organisational Management

OUTCOME: 5.1 CORPORATE MANAGEMENT

STRATEGY: 3.1.1 Encourage respectful planning, balanced growth and good design - ED - external

AUTHOR Director Development and
Environmental Services

DATE 1 March 2017

STAFF DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST Nil

IN BRIEF/ SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION

A report by the Director, Development and Environmental Services on the activities of the Department including Development Applications, Construction and Complying Development Certificates issued by Council for the month of February 2017.

COMMENT

1. DEVELOPMENT

The Department continues to receive enquiries and provide advice on a range of planning and building matters including:

- Subdivision
- Dwelling entitlements
- Minor structure construction e.g. sheds
- Commercial opportunities and construction
- Basix (Building Sustainability Index)
- Bushfire requirements
- Building construction standards and requirements
- Stormwater
- Licensing and owner builder requirements
- Fees and charges
- Planning certificates

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The following Development (D/A)/Complying Development (CDC) and Construction Certificate (C/C) applications have been approved for the month.

No.	Property Description	Development/ Work	\$	D/A	C/C	CDC
52/2016	Lot 7 Section 6 DP 758111 15 Ridley Street Bingara	Erect roof between two Shipping Containers	\$10,000	✓	✓	-
54/2016	Lot 4 DP 1144701 3575 Allan Cunningham Road Warialda	Two Story Dwelling, Granny Flat & Swimming Pool	\$800,000	✓	-	-
54/2016	Lot 4 DP 1144701 3575 Allan Cunningham Road Warialda	Two Story Dwelling & Swimming Pool	-	-	✓	-
56/2016	Lot 9 DP 754850 4118 Copeton Dam Road Bundarra	Additions and Alterations to Dwelling	\$300,000	✓	-	-

The following Development (D/A)/Complying Development (CDC) and Construction Certificate (C/C) applications remain outstanding for the month.

DA, CC and CDC	Property Description and Description of Work	Reason	D/A	C/C	CDC
35/2015	3533 Copeton Dam Road Copeton - Extension of existing Caravan & Camping Facilities	Request Addition Information from Applicant	✓	-	-
26/2016	21-23 Maitland Street Bingara - Continued Use of ATM	Current	✓	-	-
40/2016	10 Junction Street Bingara - Detached Granny Flat	Awaiting Construction Certification Information	-	✓	-
49/2016	1470 North Star Road Warialda - Continued Occupation/Use of Worker Accommodation	Current	✓	-	-
54/2016	3575 Allan Cunningham Road Warialda - Granny Flat	Current	-	✓	-
01/2017	88 Maitland Street/5 Byrnes Street Bingara – Storage Units and Shop Front	Being Advertised & Notified	✓	✓	-
02/2017	34 Hope Street Warialda - Deck	Current	✓	✓	-
03/2017	6 Gwydir Street Bingara - Double Garage with attached Double Carport	Current	✓	✓	-
04/2017	8 Bombelli Street Bingara - Extension of Bowls Shed & Verandah	Current	✓	✓	-

(Note: DA & CC 54/2016 will be determined under delegated authority as the applications is considered to be minor development)

There were no Development (D/A)/Complying Development (CDC) or Construction Certificate (C/C) applications approved and not previously reported to Council for the month.

There were no Development (D/A)/Complying Development (CDC) and Construction Certificate (C/C) applications refused(R)/ withdrawn (W)/ Cancelled (C) for the month.

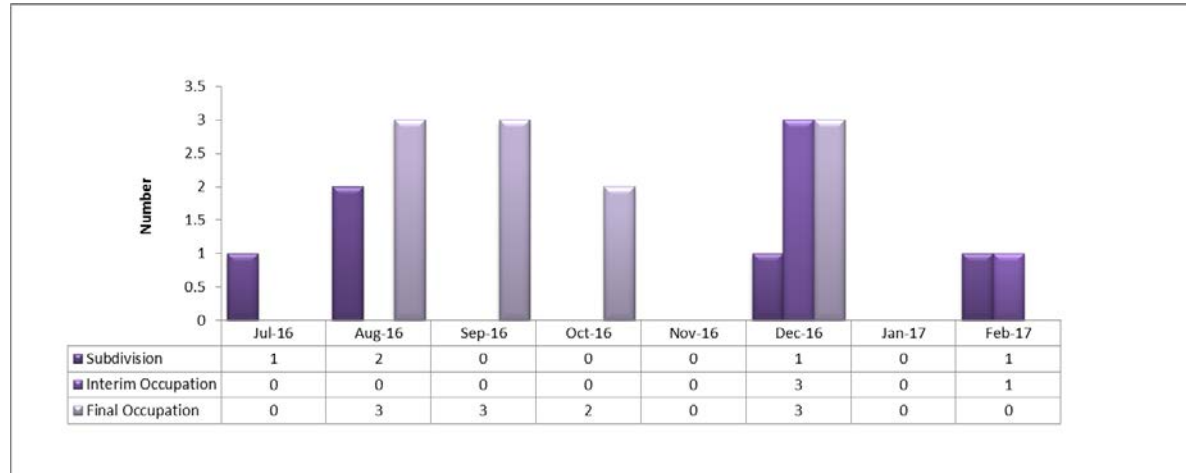
There were no Complying Development (CDC) and/or Construction Certificate (C/C) applications approved by a Private Certifier and lodged with Council during the month.

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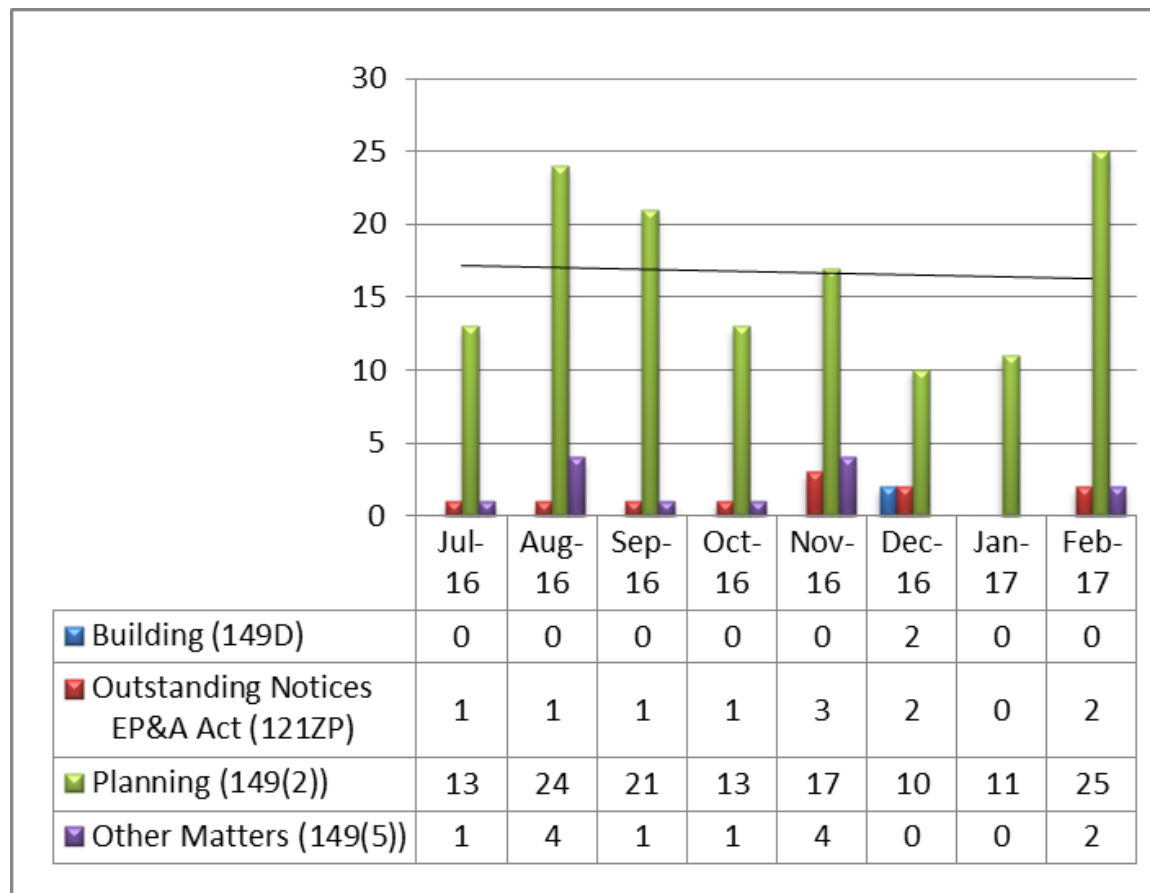
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There were no Development (D/A) and Complying Development (CDC) applications determined where there has been a variation in standards under SEPP 1 or clause 4.6 of Gwydir Local Environmental Plan 2013 for the month.

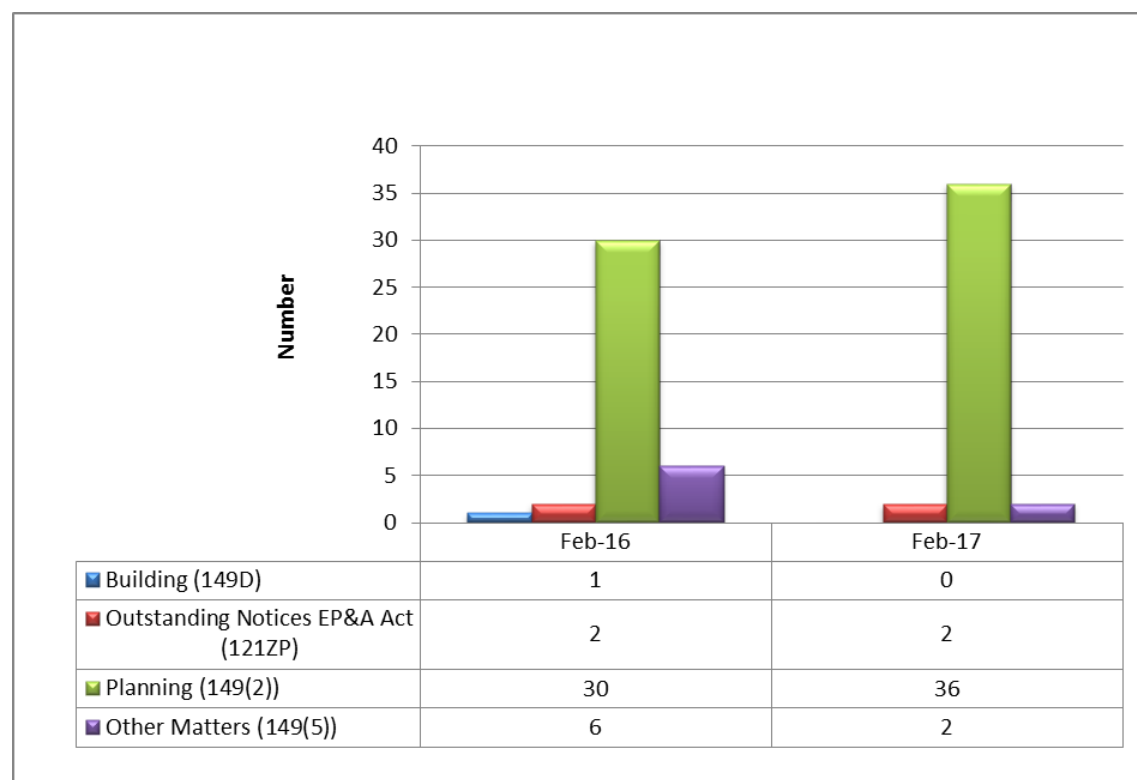
The following graph shows Development Certificates issued for February compared to the previous seven (7) months.



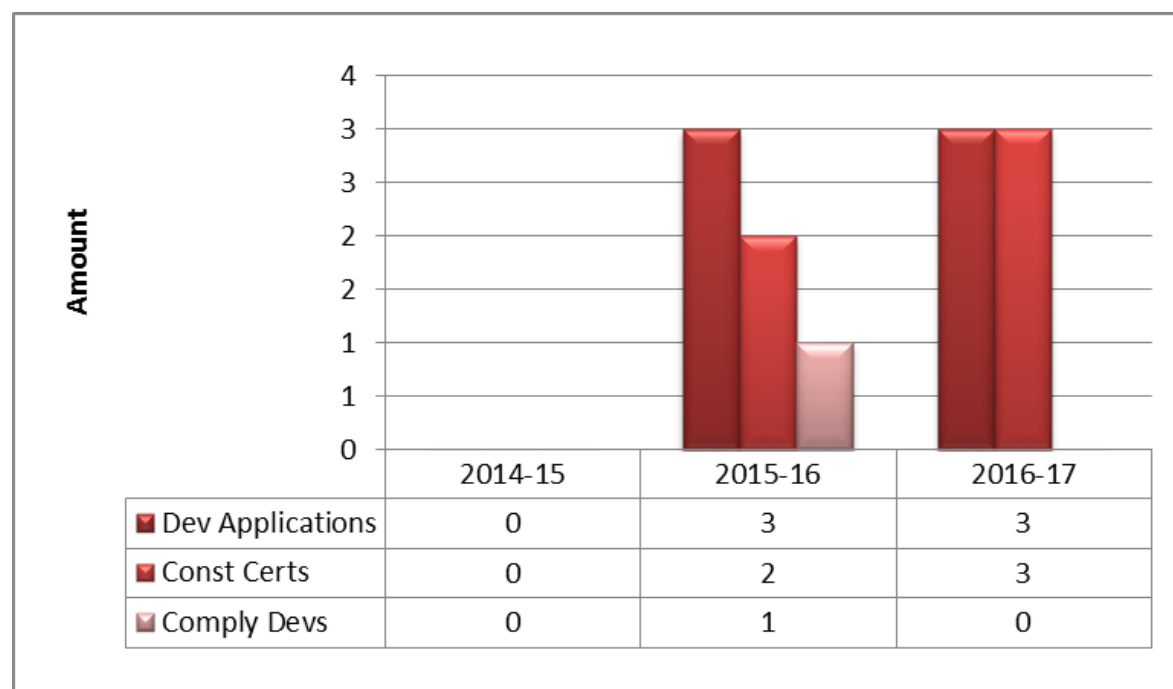
The following graph shows Conveyancing Certificates issued for February compared to the previous seven (7) months.



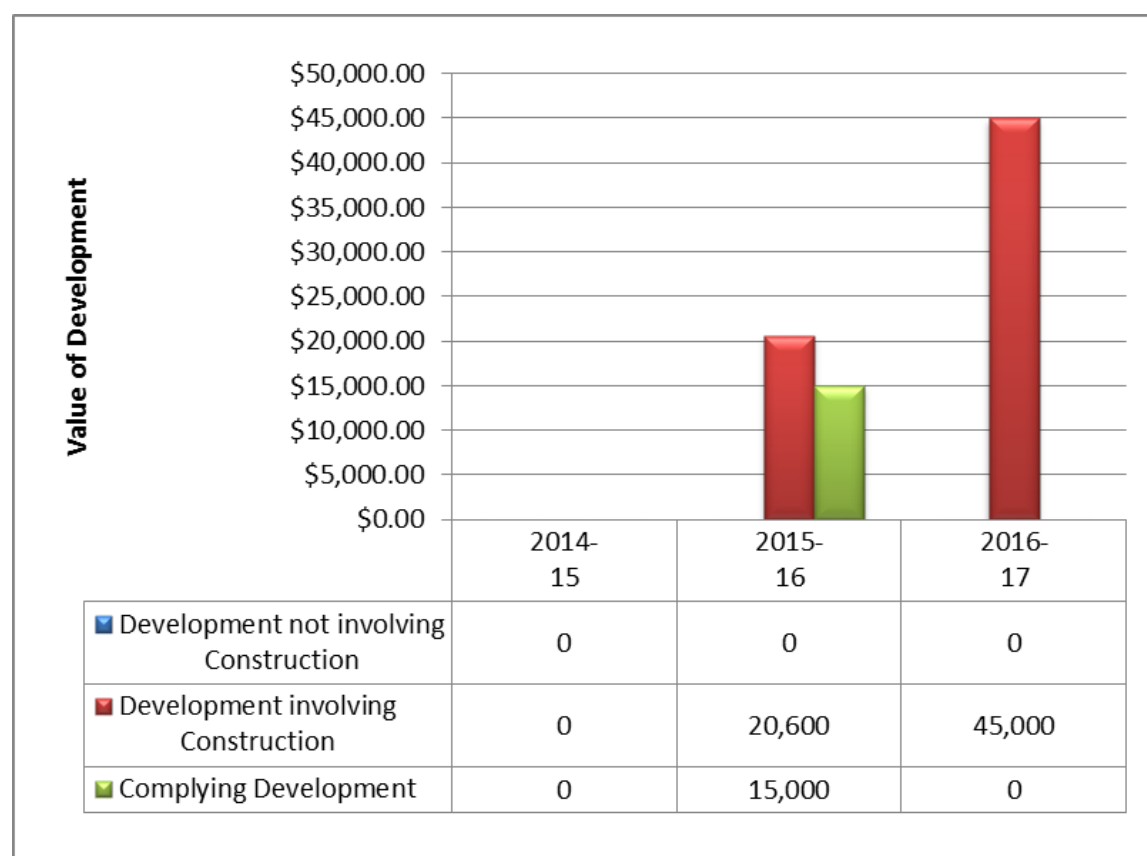
The following graph shows the number of Conveyancing Certificates issued up to and including the month of February 2017 compared with the same period in 2016.



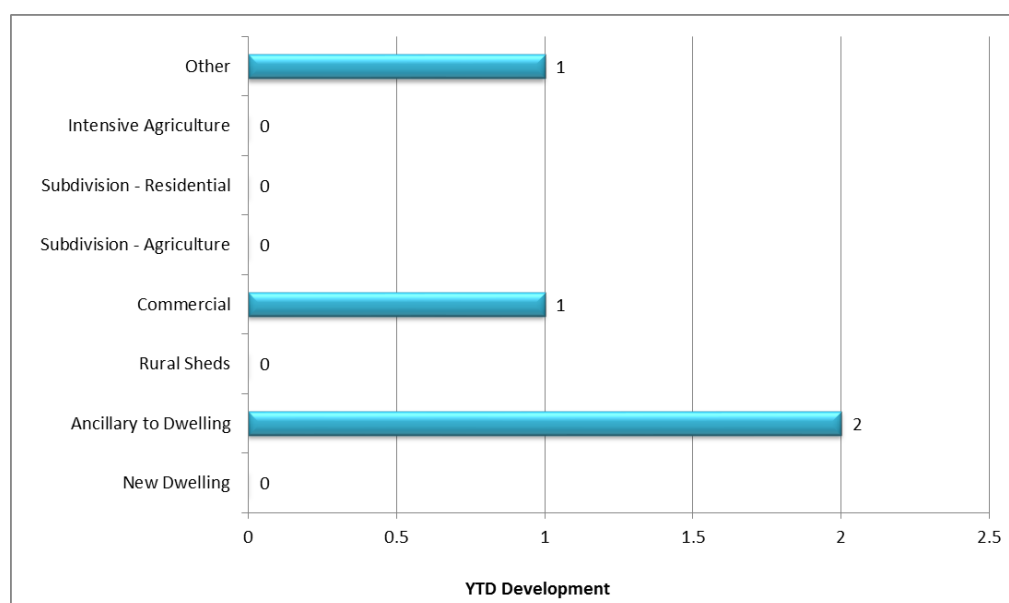
The table below shows a comparison between applications lodged for the month of February 2017 compared to the last two years (excluding private certifier lodged applications).



The table below shows a comparison between the values of lodged for the month of February 2017 compared to the last two years (excluding private certifier lodged applications).



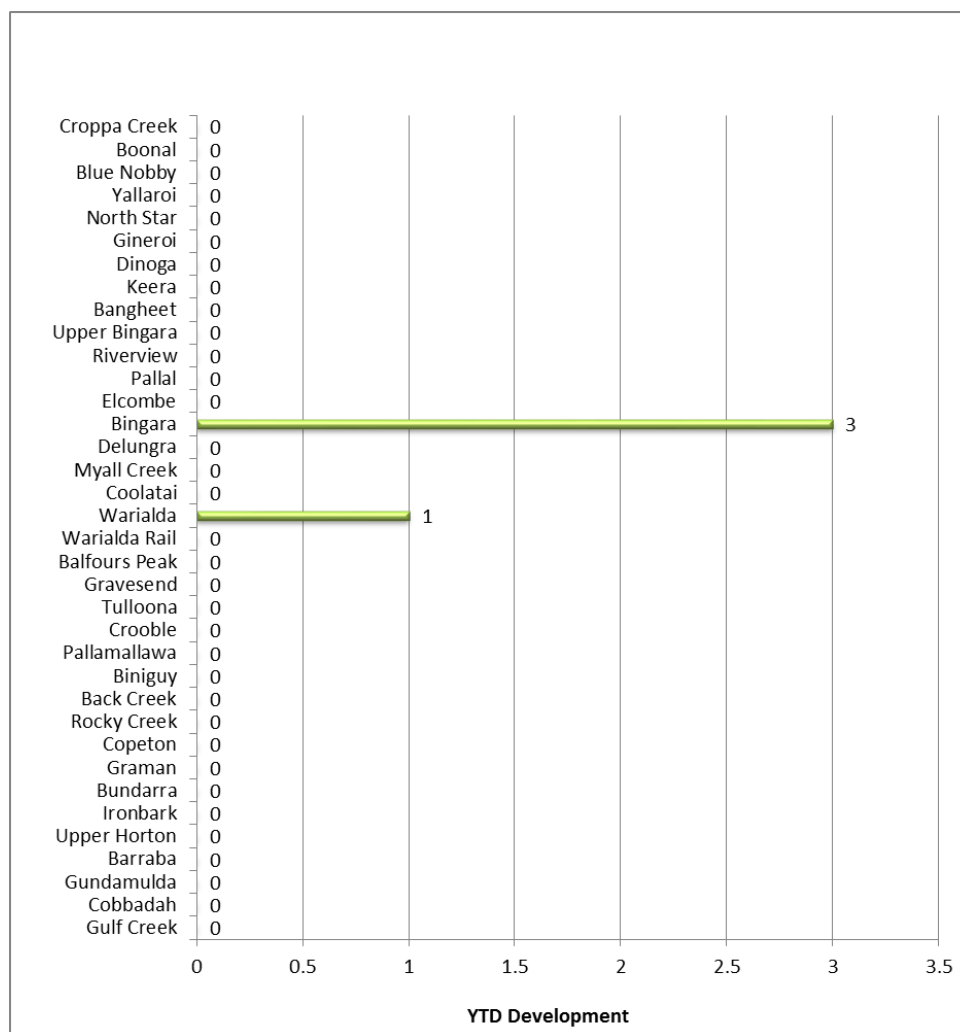
Development Applications received by Type (includes private certifier lodged applications)



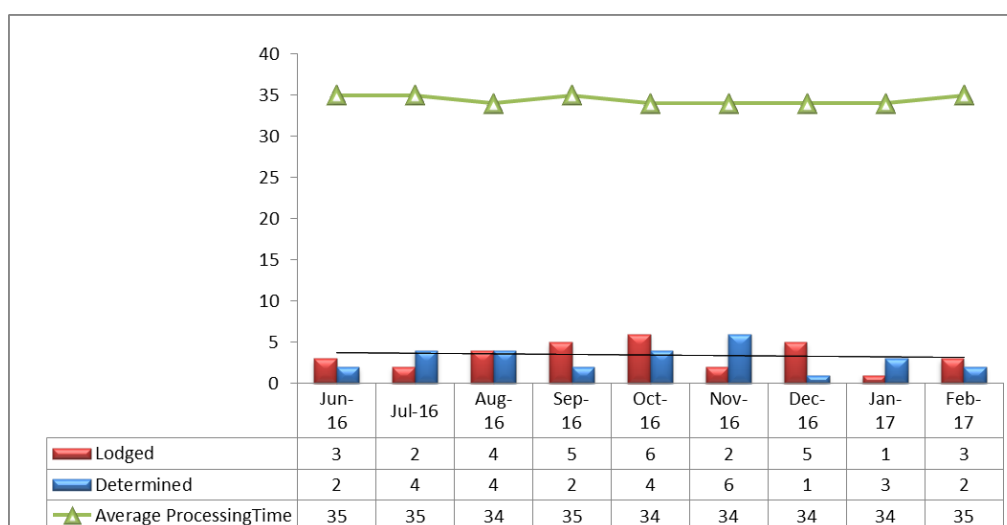
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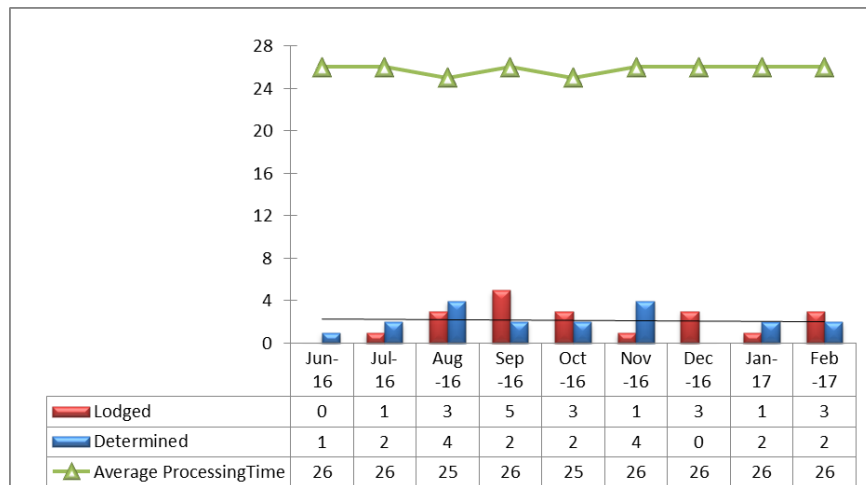
Development Applications Received by locality (includes private certifier lodged applications)



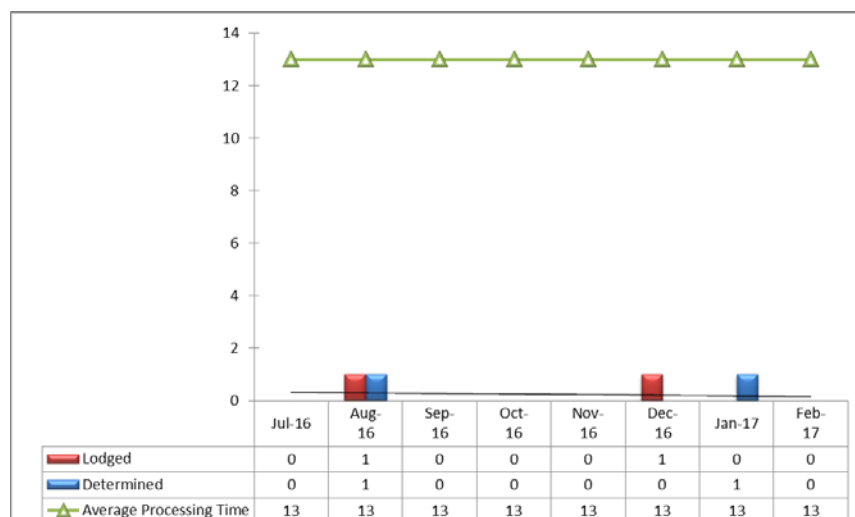
Development Applications – nine (9) months



Construction Certificates – nine (9) months (excludes private certifier lodged and approved applications)



Complying Development Applications – nine (9) months (excludes private certifier lodged and approved applications)



1.1 CRM – Planning and Development

Older	Current	Actioned	Unactioned
1	-	-	1

2. ILLEGAL ACTIVITY

ACTIVITY	No	ACTION TAKEN					
		Inspected	Notice Sent	Application/Certificate Lodged	Penalty Notice	Legal Action	Refer to Council
Development							
Building/Plumbing/Drainage							
Health/Animals	7	7	3		4		
Environment	2	2	2				

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2.1 CRM - Illegal Activity

Older	Current	Actioned	Unactioned
2	-	-	2

3. HEALTH

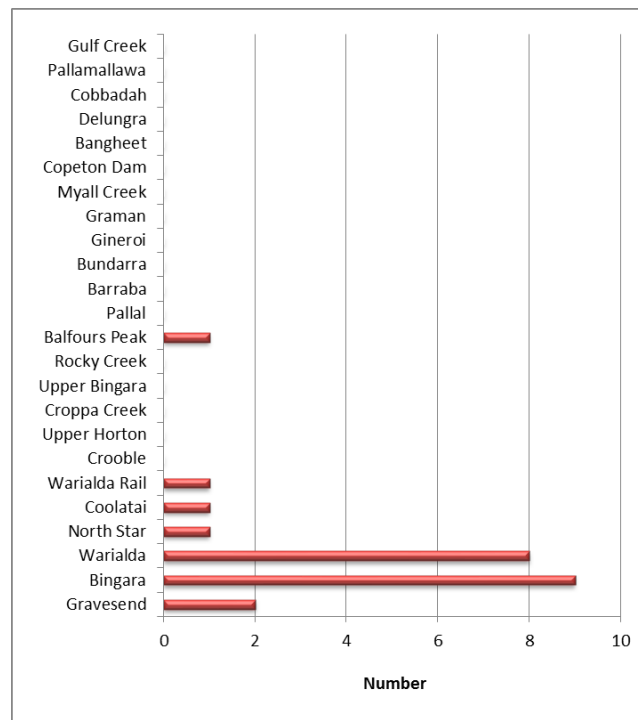
The Department continues to receive enquiries and provide advice on a range of health matters including:

- Design and installation of on-site sewerage management systems
- Overgrown properties
- Food premises design and fit-out
- Food handling practices
- Mobile food vendors
- Licensing
- Water carting
- Plumbing and drainage - design and installation

3.1 Water Surveillance

The Department continues to carry out routine weekly microbiological sampling of the water supply in the towns of Warialda and Bingara, fortnightly sampling of Gravesend and monthly sampling at North Star.

3.2 Health Related Inspections for February 2017



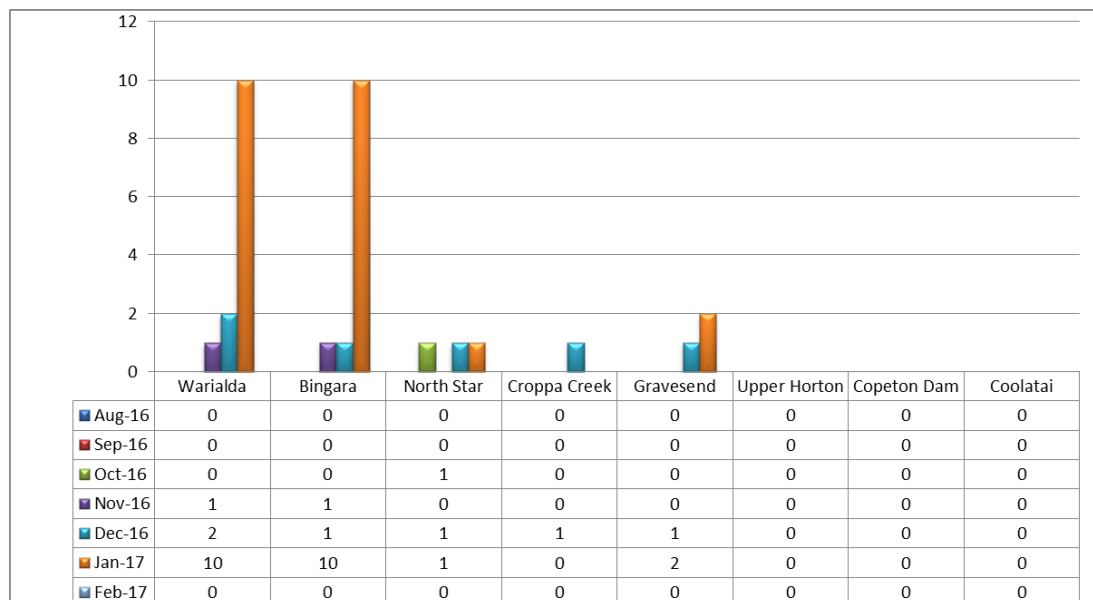
3.3 Swimming Pool Inspections

The Department continues to carry out swimming pool compliance inspections.

3.4 Cemeteries

Both Warialda and Bingara cemeteries continue to be maintained.

3.5 Food Premise Inspections/Re-inspections

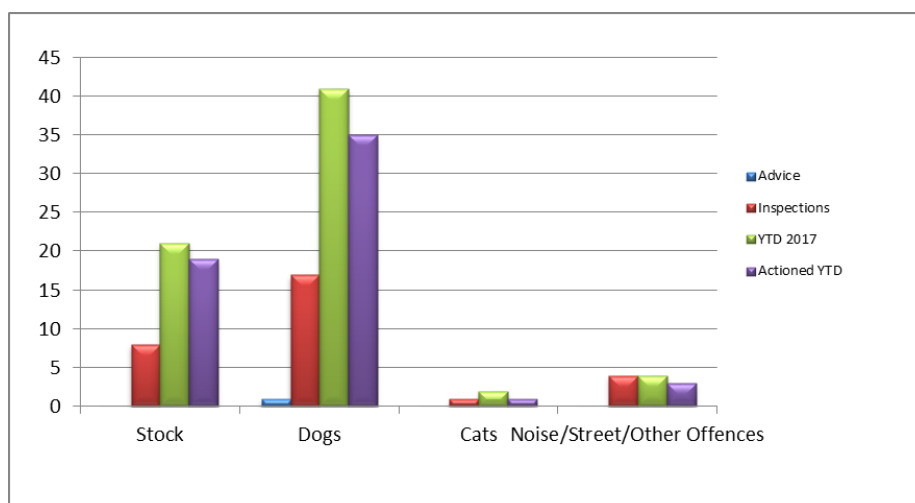


3.6 CRM – Health Other

Older	Current	Actioned	Unactioned
5	2	-	7

3.7 Compliance and Regulatory Control

Council received complaints regarding roaming stock and dogs, noise, the keeping of animals and other concerns during the month of February 2017. These are investigated and actioned as necessary and are detailed in the following table including year to date and actioned totals:



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Council has four (4) cat and two (2) dog cage traps available for use by residents who are experiencing problems with stray feral and companion animals. Traps are normally kept by residents for a period of four to seven days at a time.

During this period four (4) cat cages have been utilised by residents throughout the shire.

3.8 CRM - Animals

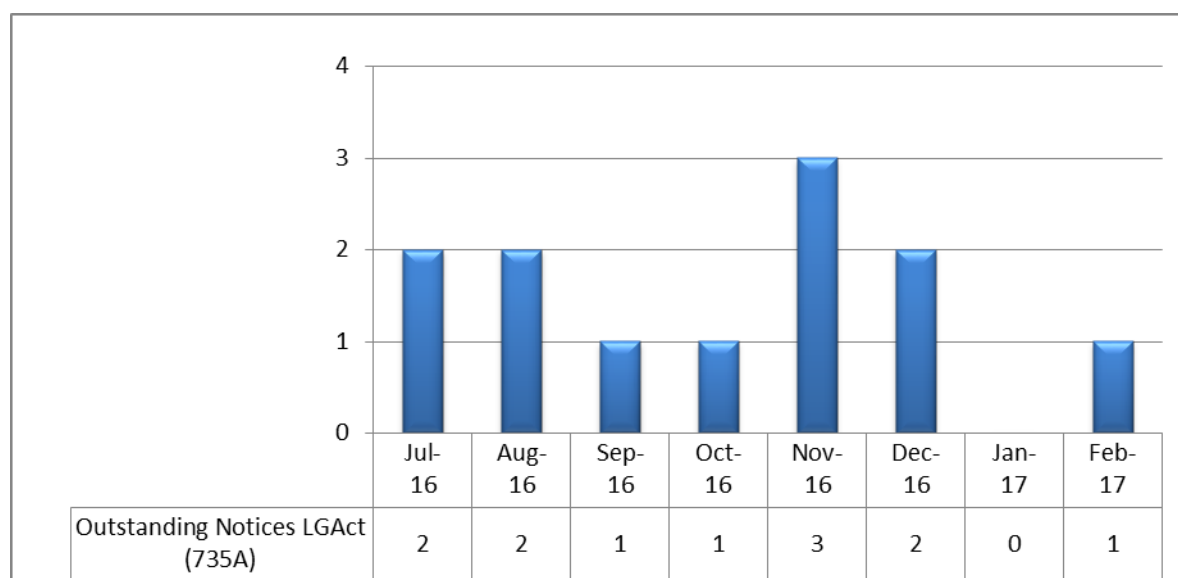
Older	Current	Actioned	Unactioned
16	4	10	10

4. ENVIRONMENTAL

The Department continues to receive enquiries and provide advice on a range of environmental matters including:

- Air and water pollution
- Noise pollution
- Littering
- Legislation

The following table shows the number of certificates issued in February 2017 compared to the preceding seven (7) months



4.1 CRM – Environment

Older	Current	Actioned	Unactioned
1	-	-	1

4.2 Waste Services

4.2.1 Waste Collection

Warialda

Scheduled kerbside collection service was carried out during the period.
There were no incidents or complaints for this period.

Bingara

Scheduled kerbside collection service was carried out during the period.
There were no incidents or complaints for this period.

Gravesend

Scheduled kerbside collection service was carried out during the period.
There were no incidents or complaints for this period.

North Star

Scheduled kerbside collection service was carried out during the period.
There were no incidents or complaints for this period.

Warialda Rail

Scheduled kerbside collection service was carried out during the period.
There were no incidents or complaints for this period.

Croppa Creek

Scheduled kerbside collection service was carried out during the period.
There were no incidents or complaints for this period.

RMS Rest Area Bins

Scheduled collections were carried out during the period. There were no issues reported.

4.2.2 Recycling

Scheduled kerbside collection service was carried out during the period.
There were no incidents/complaints for this period.

Council continues to make available compost bins, aerators and worm farms for purchase by members of the community.

4.2.3 All Waste Recovery Centres and Landfills Maintenance

All Waste Recovery Centres in the shire continue to be supervised/monitored and maintained. Staff continue to make changes to the site layout and signage to improve onsite operation and access for residents unloading waste and recyclable materials.

4.2.4 Green Waste

Scheduled kerbside collection service was carried out during the period.
There were no incidents/complaints for this period.

There was no in house chipping for the month.

Council is continuing to supply mulch from chipped green waste to residents.

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4.2.5 Recycled Steel

Steel continues to be stockpiled for collection at the Bingara and Warialda Waste Recovery Centre.

4.3 CRM – Waste

Older	Current	Actioned	Unactioned
3	1	4	-

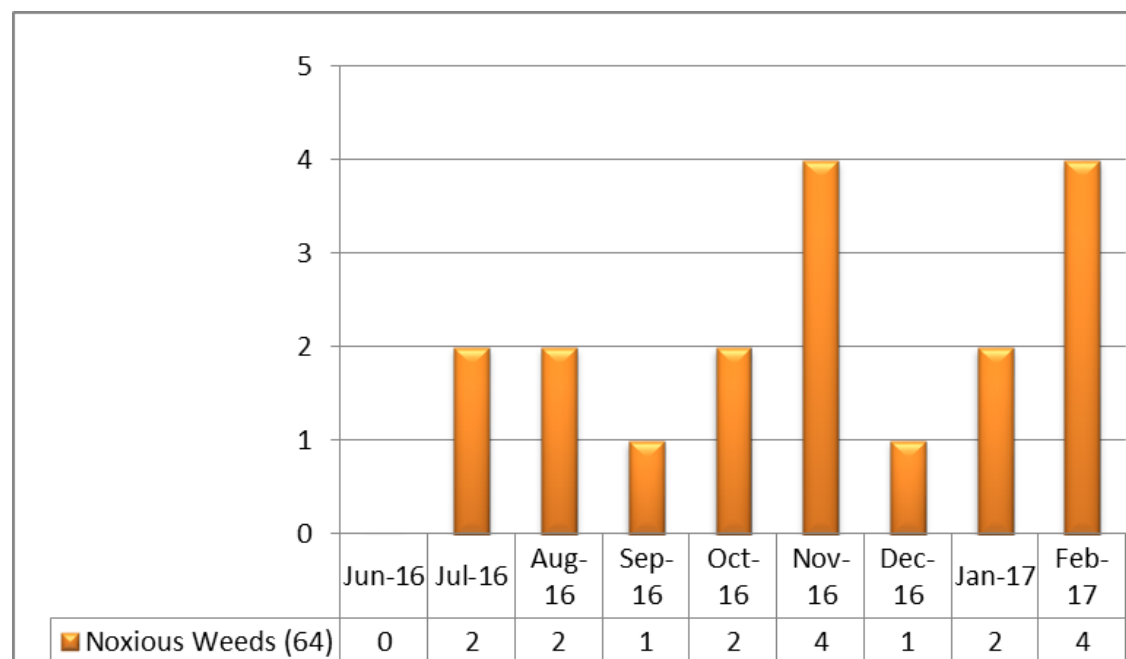
5. NOXIOUS WEEDS CONTROL

Property Inspection Program

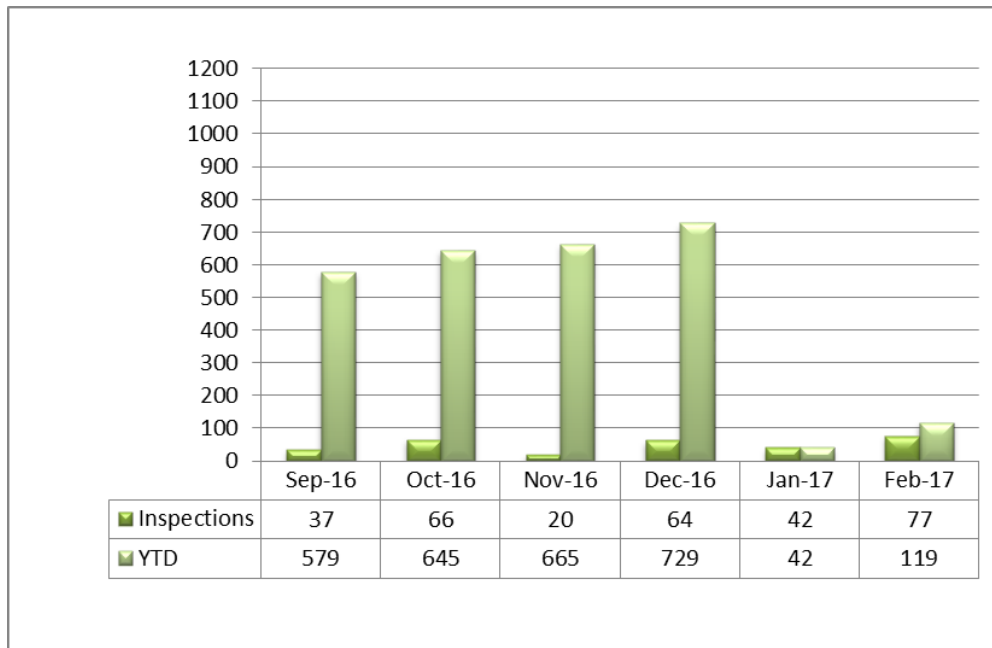
Staff continue to assist farmers and the community with:

- Funding advice
- Noxious weeds advice
- Property inspections
- Spraying of noxious weeds

The following noxious weeds certificates were issued during February 2017 compared to the previous eight (8) months.



The following graph shows the noxious weeds inspections carried out in February 2017 compared to the previous five (5) months.



5.1 Noxious weeds control works for February 2017

Road/Property	Locality	Weed Code	Area Ha	Road km	High Risk Road	Council Road
Gwydir Highway	Warialda	Mimosa Bush	231.88	115.94	1	
Halls Creek Above Bridge	Bingara	Green Cestrum	10			
Bingara Area	Bingara	Green Cestrum	20			
Halls Creek	Bingara	Green Cestrum	10			
Gwydir Highway	Warialda	Ragweed	231.88	115.94	1	
Bingara River Common	Bingara	Noogoora Burr & Bathurst Burr	10			
Betts Quarry	Bingara	Noogoora Burr & Bathurst Burr	1			
Halls Creek	Bingara	Noogoora Burr & Bathurst Burr	5			
Bingara Sewerage Treatment Works	Bingara	Silver Leaf Nightshade, Honey Locust and Dodder	5			
Bingara Showground	Bingara	Silver Leaf Nightshade, Honey Locust and Dodder	10			
Eden Forest Rd	Gravesend	Green Cestrum and Mother of Millions	48.92	24.46		1
Gravesend Village	Gravesend	Green Cestrum and Mother of Millions	20			

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5.2 Noxious weeds - Inspections during February 2017

<i>Areas Inspected</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Ha</i>	<i>Rd km</i>	<i>Weeds Present</i>
Private Property High Risk areas	11	7705	-	African Boxthorn, Bathurst Burr, Galvanised Burr, Noogoora Burr, Sweet Briar and St John's Wort
Private Property High Risk Reinspections	5	2012	-	Green Cestrum
Roadside Inspections High Risk	-	-	-	-
Waterways High Risk	-	-	-	-
Private Property	33	22531	-	African Boxthorn, Blackberry, Bathurst Burr, Cats Claw Creeper, Galvanised Burr, Green Cestrum, Honey Locust, Mimosa Bush, Mother of Millions, Noogoora Burr, Paterson's Curse, Sweet Briar, St John's Wort, Silverleaf Nightshade, Tree Pear and Tiger Pear
Private Property Reinspections	-	-	-	-
Private Property Waterways	16	11614	-	African Boxthorn, Blackberry, Galvanised Burr, Green Cestrum, Mimosa Bush, Sweet Briar, St John's Wort, Silver Leaf Nightshade, Tree Pear and Tiger Pear
Roadside Inspections	-	-	-	-
Other Council Lands	-	-	-	-
Nurseries	-	-	-	-
Rural Outlets	-	-	-	-
ARTC	-	-	-	-
Other Weekend Markets	-	-	-	-
Dept of Lands	-	-	-	-
National Parks/ Nature Reserves	-	-	-	-
NWLLS Reserves	12	60	-	African Boxthorn, Harrisia Cactus, Mimosa Bush, Mother of Millions, Sweet Briar, St John's Wort, Tree Pear and Tiger Pear
Gravel Quarries	-	-	-	-
Machinery Dealers	-	-	-	-
Grain Handling Sites	-	-	-	-
Recreational Areas	-	-	-	-
Saleyards	-	-	-	-
Machinery wash down bays	-	-	-	-
Truck Stops	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-

5.3 CRM – Weeds

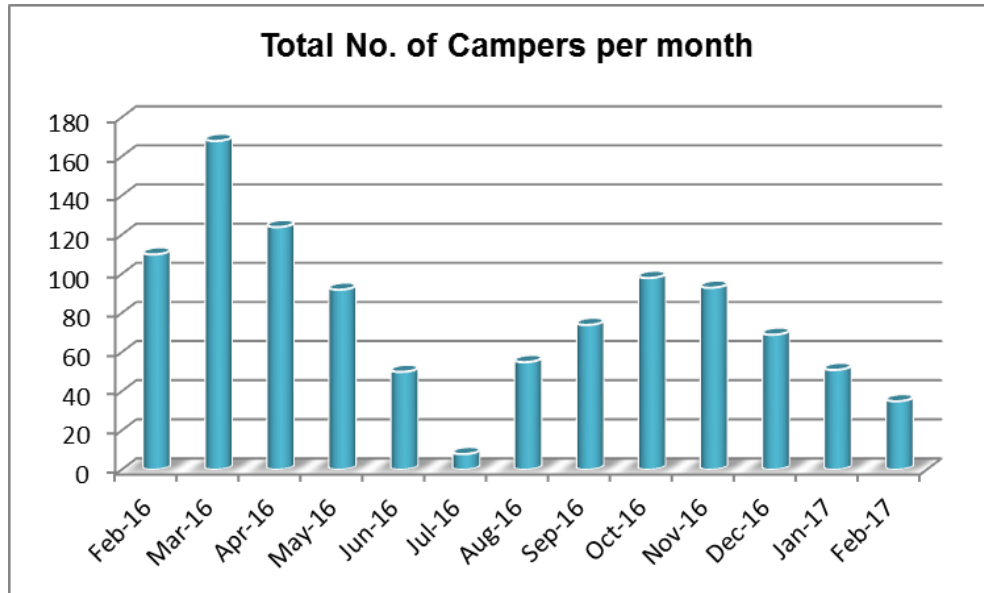
There were no outstanding or current CRM for Weeds which required action during February.

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6. RIVERSIDE CAMPING

Council's Compliance Officer carries out weekly checks along the Gwydir River to ensure that camping is being conducted in a safe and hygienic manner. The number of campers is detailed in the following graph.



7. BUILDING MAINTENANCE

The Department continues to receive requests to carry out minor maintenance and these are generally dealt with in a timely manner. Otherwise the works are scheduled into maintenance staff building activities including new works for attention.

7.1 Projects Worked on during February 2017

Staff worked on the following projects during February:

- 8 Olive Pyrke Terrace Warialda – painting
- Warialda Town Hall – painting
- Living Classroom Bingara – greenhouse
- Gwydir Oval – erect electronic scoreboard
- Warialda Water Reservoir – repairs and maintenance
- Bingara Water Reservoir – repairs and maintenance
- Bingara Treatment Works – new eaves and painting
- Bingara SES Shed – handrails and steps to mezzanine
- Unit 3 Plunkett Street Warialda – painting
- Naroo Hostel – repairs and maintenance
- Bingara Showground – new doors on amenities
- Yallaroi Hall – erect notice board

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7.2 CRM – Building

Older	Current	Actioned	Unactioned
10	12	13	9

8. PARKS AND URBAN SPACES

8.1 Parks and Playgrounds

The parks and playgrounds continue to be maintained and inspections carried out to ensuring that the equipment and soft fall areas are maintained to current standards.

Issues were raised by members of the public regarding Junction Park Bingara. Additional maintenance is being carried out to address these concerns and will continue to be carried out during March.

8.2 Gardens

Council's gardens continue to be maintained.

8.3 Sports Grounds

Council's sports grounds continue to be maintained.

8.4 Town Street

Council's town streets continue to be maintained.

8.5 Public Place Bins

Council's public place bins continue to be emptied as needed and maintenance carried out as required.

8.6 CRM – Parks and Gardens

Older	Current	Actioned	Unactioned
20	24	23	21

9. RECREATION AND MEDICAL

9.1 Fitness Centres

The Bingara and Warialda fitness centres continue to be well utilised by community members.

9.2 Swimming Centres

The Warialda and Bingara swimming pools are open for the summer season.

CONSULTATION

Internal	Departmental Staff Management Team and Other Departments as needed
External	General Public Trades Persons and Contractors Representatives from Government Departments

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STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Specific Legislation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Government Act, 1993 • Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 • Food Act 2003 • Companion Animals Act 1999 • Commons Management Act 1989 • Noxious Weeds Act 1993 • Swimming Pools Act 1992 • Public Health Act 1991 • Recreation Vehicles Act 1993 • Roads Act 1993 • Impounding Act 1993 • Land Environment Court Act 1999 • Contaminated Land Management Act 1997 • Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Act 2001 • Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 • Rural Fires Act 1997 <p>Specific detail is provided in the body of the report.</p>
Related Legislation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regulations associated with the above legislation • Crown Lands Act 1989 • Divided Fences Act 1991 <p>Specific detail is provided in the body of the report.</p>

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Current Policies	These matters have no specific policy implications for Council. Operations are in accordance with Council's adopted Management Plan and current Council Policies.
Proposed Policies	No proposed policy implications for Council.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Economic factors	
Is the proposal incorporated in the budget?	These activities and matters are included in Council's adopted Budget
Are there human resources implications?	Carried out as normal duties
Cost	Operations are currently in accordance with Council's adopted Budget and Management Plan
What are the longer term impacts on Council asset management strategies?	Council must maintain its assets. Works will be incorporated into asset management strategies which are being developed
Life cycle costs	There will only be ongoing maintenance costs for Council
Cost Recovery	Some proposals such as Caravan Parks will provide

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	revenue raising opportunities or return on investment for Council
Shire Assets	The replacement of or maintenance on Council owned service and facilities will protect and enhance the value of the Council assets
Key business sectors	
Infrastructure	No impact on Council's sewer, water, telecommunications and transport infrastructure.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Relationship to Management Plan	These matters have no specific strategic implications for Council.
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OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

THAT the monthly Development and Environmental Services report for February 2017 be received

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

THAT the monthly Development and Environmental Services report for February 2017 be received.

(Moved Cr Dick, seconded Cr Young)

Crs Young and J Coulton declared a less than significant pecuniary interest in *Monthly Report - Development and Environmental Services* under the Local Government Act as staff report noted that they had each lodged a Development Application.

Cr Frances Young

Financial Training Port Macquarie

Cr Young advised the meeting that both her and Cr Dixon attended this training and that it was quite informative.

Cr Stuart Dick

Various matters

Cr Dick requested an update on the use of the Bingara Saleyards, which was provided, and once again raised his concern about a build-up of vegetation near hole 6 on the Bingara Golf Course. This issue will be investigated.

Cr Geoff Smith

Bradburn Building and surrounding land

Cr Smith requested an update on the proposal to sell this land.

The meeting was advised that a storage shed needs to be built behind the former Masonic building to accommodate the memorabilia owned by the Warialda and District Historical Society prior to the demolition of the Bradburn building. The meeting was also advised that it is proposed to get a surveyor to prepare a subdivision layout for the land as the best way to maximise the return on the site.

Cr Jim Moore

Various Matters

Cr Moore gave a report on the results of the pop-up planning shop held in Warialda recently.

He also requested information regarding the proposal to improve the children's playground area at Captain Cook Park in Warialda, which was provided.

Meeting closed 2.24 pm