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CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

*Clause 240(4) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 requires Council to refer any business to be considered when the meeting is closed to the public in the Ordinary Business Paper prepared for the same meeting. Council will discuss the following items under the terms of the Local Government Act 1993 Section 10A(2), as follows:*

**ITEM 8 WBC STRATEGIC ALLIANCE - ROLLING TWO YEAR FUNDING PROGRAM**

*(c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business*

**ITEM 33 - MAYORAL MINUTE - EUGOWRA MENS GROUP AND VOLUNTARY PURCHASE BUILDING 5 GREVILLIA AVENUE EUGOWRA**

**REPORT IN BRIEF**

<b>Reason For Report</b>	Mayoral Minute for Council's consideration
<b>Policy Implications</b>	Nil
<b>Budget Implications</b>	Nil
<b>Area of Responsibility</b>	Governance
<b>Annexures</b>	Nil
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**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

The Mayor has provided the following report for Council's consideration.

**MAYORAL MINUTE**

Council has previously approved the purchase of a dwelling located at 5 Grevillia Avenue Eugowra under the Voluntary Purchase Scheme funded by Federal, State and Local Government. In recent times there has been concern from sections of the Eugowra community about the demolition of this building. Their concerns relate to two issues:

1. Meeting location for Men's Group
2. Heritage Value of the Building

**Background**

The building was identified a number of years ago as suitable for Voluntary Purchase under the Federal, State and Local Government Program due to its impact on flooding in Eugowra. Subsequently, an application was made by the owner for Council to purchase the property and it was processed with the funds from the three levels of government and purchased at a price of \$160,000 (note this price also includes relocation and disturbance expenses in accordance with the Federal Government legislation).

The purchase of the property was discussed with representatives of the local Progress Association by Cllr Hyde and no objections were forthcoming at that time.

The land in question adjoins public toilets and park facilities adjacent to the bridge in Eugowra and the proposal was to further landscape this area, which would greatly improve the amenity for travellers and local residents.

The Mayor, General Manager and Cllr Hyde have had discussions with the State Member, Dawn Fardell, concerning alternative accommodation for the Men's Group. A building located on hospital land has been identified and it is understood Dawn Fardell is awaiting the result of enquiries as to its use by the Men's Group.

The funding provided by the Federal and State Governments is required to be spent for the purchase and removal of buildings in the floodway. Council's Director of Engineering & Technical Services has advised that if the building is not demolished Council would be required to return the funds to both the Federal and State Government, obviously this is not a viable situation.

The heritage value of the building is not considered to be of significance, which has been confirmed by Council's Director of Environmental Services and Council's Heritage Advisor. Council's Heritage Advisor has advised the removal of the building would be permissible subject to suitable photographs being taken for future reference, which was part of the contract for the purchase of the property.

As Mayor, I have been in contact with Mr Barry Herbert from the Eugowra Promotion & Progress Association concerning ways to address the concerns from Eugowra residents. I have invited him to put forward options for Council to consider, nominating their preferred option. In view of the funds expended to date, it is difficult to justify retention of the building, however Council should be prepared to allow the Eugowra community further time to consider the matter.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT:

1. Eugowra Promotion & Progress Association be given the opportunity to put forward options for the purchase and use of the building, subject to no or limited financial burden on Council.
2. Representatives of the Eugowra Promotion & Progress Association be invited to address Council's August meeting.
3. An inspection of the site be organised for interested Councillors prior to the August meeting.

### **ITEM 34 - NOTICE OF MOTION - COUNCILLOR EXPENSES**

#### **REPORT IN BRIEF**

<b>Reason For Report</b>	Notice of Motion - Councillor expenses reporting and submissions
<b>Policy Implications</b>	Nil

<b>Budget Implications</b>	Nil
<b>Area of Responsibility</b>	Councillors Expenses
<b>Annexures</b>	Nil
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**ADMINISTRATION MANAGER'S REPORT**

A Notice of Motion has been received, duly signed by Clrs Dowling, I Gosper and L MacSmith.

The Motion reads:

“THAT:

1. Council receive a quarterly report providing a break-up of Councillor expenses provided to Councillors under the headings of Councillor, type and amount of expense, facility or other in-kind benefit, etc.
2. All future reports to Council relating to the nomination of Councillors to attend a seminar, conference etc provide details of the available funds in that budget and specifying the estimated expenditure detailing registration, accommodation, meals & any out of pocket expenses with the actual expenditure to be reported once known to the following Council meeting.

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Clr R Dowling

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Clr I Gosper

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Clr L MacSmith”

In order for Council to consider the Motion on the day it will have to be moved and seconded.

**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the Motion be received.

Yours faithfully,

GLP Fleming  
**GENERAL MANAGER**

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**ITEM 17 - AGE OF FISHES MUSEUM**

**REPORT IN BRIEF**

<b>Reason For Report</b>	At its June Council Meeting it was requested that the Age of Fishes Museum be placed on the agenda
<b>Policy Implications</b>	Nil
<b>Budget Implications</b>	Nil
<b>Area of Responsibility</b>	Recreation & Cultural Services
<b>Annexures</b>	Nil
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**ADMINISTRATION MANAGER'S REPORT**

During the Question for Next Meeting item at the June Council meeting it was determined that the Age of Fishes Museum should be placed on the agenda to allow discussion including Tourism; Fossil Site; funds for Fossil slab display; donations and fundraising; and previous reports.

It should be noted that quarterly reports are already included in the Economic Development and Tourism Promotion Business Papers which have been previously provided to all Councillors and can enable discussion when presented to Council.

**ITEM 18 - PROPOSED MANILDRA MEN'S SHED**

**REPORT IN BRIEF**

<b>Reason For Report</b>	Request for report on possibility of building a facility for the proposed Manildra Men's Shed
<b>Policy Implications</b>	Nil
<b>Budget Implications</b>	Nil
<b>Area of Responsibility</b>	Engineering
<b>Annexures</b>	Nil
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**DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNICAL SERVICES' REPORT**

Following a request at the June Council meeting regarding the possibility of building a facility for the proposed Manildra Men's Shed on land adjacent to the Bowling Club carpark a meeting was convened with the Director of Engineering and Technical Services and Councillor Farr.

The Director provided plans which had been drawn to show the location of the shed with Councillor Farr to further investigate funding options. The Director of Engineering and Technical Services to confirm land is Crown and if a management plan is required for this activity.

**ITEM 19 - COMPLEX ZONING PROPOSED IN NEW LEP FOR MOLONG & CANOWINDRA**

**REPORT IN BRIEF**

<b>Reason For Report</b>	As requested at the June Council meeting a report be submitted regarding complex zoning Molong and Canowindra
<b>Policy Implications</b>	Nil
<b>Budget Implications</b>	Nil
<b>Area of Responsibility</b>	Land Use & Planning
<b>Annexures</b>	Nil
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**DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES' REPORT**

Further to Council's request at its June Council meeting regarding complex zoning in the new LEP for Molong and Canowindra it is advised that Councillors have since been notified that a workshop is to be held on 2 August 2010, following the Council Committee meetings to update Councillors on the Village Strategies component of the LEP review. Zoning of the village areas (including process for complex zoning) will be included in the workshop discussions.

Yours faithfully,

GLP Fleming  
**GENERAL MANAGER**