Minutes

Ordinary Council Meeting

Wednesday 18th February2026

Commenced at 5:00PM

Held in the Council Chambers,

Railway Avenue Nungarin

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ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON

WEDNESDAY 18th FEBRUARY 2026

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ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NUNGARIN

ON WEDNESDAY 18th FEBRUARY 2026

1. DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 5:00pm.

Affirmation of Civic Duty and Responsibility as Read

I make this Affirmation in good faith on behalf of Councillors and Officers of the Shire of Nungarin. We collectively declare we will duly, faithfully, honestly and with integrity fulfil the duties of our respective office and positions for all the people in the district according to the best of our judgment and ability.

Acknowledgement of Traditional Custodians

We wish to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land we are meeting on, the Njaki Njaki Nyoongar people, and recognise the contribution of Elders past, present and future.

2. ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / LEAVE OF ABSENCE

2.1. ATTENDANCE

Councillors

Deputy Shire President	Cr G Coumbe
Elected Member	Cr C Stobie
Elected Member	Cr K Dayman
Elected Member	Cr A Eksanow
Elected Member	Cr W Lee

Elected Member	Cr B Wegner

Council Officers

Manager Corporate Services	Miss S Sergeant
Manager Works & Services	Mr D Dhu
Executive Assistant	Ms C Morrell

Observers / Visitors

Nil

2.2. APOLOGIES

Shire President	Cr P de Lacy
Chief Executive Officer	Mr D Nayda

2.3. REQUEST FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

3. DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS

3.1. DEPUTATIONS

Nil

3.2. PETITIONS

Nil

4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

a. Public Question Time provides the public with an opportunity to put questions to the Council. Questions should only relate to the business of the Council and should not be a statement or personal opinion.

b. During the Council meeting, after Public Question Time no member of the public may interrupt the meeting's proceedings or enter into conversation.

c. Whenever possible, questions should be submitted in writing at least 48 hours prior to the start of the meeting.

d. All questions should be directed to the President and only questions relating to matters affecting Council may be answered at an Ordinary Council Meeting, and at a Special Council Meeting only questions that relate to the purpose of the meeting may be answered. Questions may be taken on notice and responded to after the meeting, at the discretion of the Presiding Member.

e. The Presiding member will control Question Time and ensure each person wishing to ask a question states their name and address before asking the question. If the question relates to an item on the agenda, the item number should also be stated. In general, persons seeking to ask questions will be given two (2) minutes within which to address their question to Council. The Presiding Member may shorten or lengthen this time at their discretion.

4.1. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

4.2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

5.1. FINANCIAL AND PROXIMITY INTEREST

Nil

5.2. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST THAT MAY CAUSE A CONFLICT

Nil

6. ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDING MEMBER (WITHOUT DISCUSSION)

Nil

7. PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES / OUT OF SESSION CONFIRMATION

7.1. CONFIRMATION MINUTES SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING – 16th JANUARY 2026

COUNCIL RESOLUTION **06/02/26**

Moved: Cr W Lee **Seconded: Cr B Wegner**

That the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 16th January 2026 be confirmed as being a true and accurate record.

Carried by Simple Majority: 6/0

For: Cr G Coumbe, Cr C Stobie, Cr K Dayman, Cr A Eksanow, Cr W Lee, Cr B Wegner

Against: Nil

8. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES RECEIVED

8.1. RECEIPT OF MINUTES NEWROC MEETING HELD 3rd FEBRUARY 2026

COUNCIL RESOLUTION **07/02/26**

Moved: Cr C Stobie **Seconded: Cr A Eksanow**

That the Minutes of the NEWROC Meeting held on 3rd February 2026 be received.

Carried by Simple Majority: 6/0

For: Cr G Coumbe, Cr C Stobie, Cr K Dayman, Cr A Eksanow, Cr W Lee, Cr B Wegner

Against: Nil

8.2. RECEIPT OF MINUTES WHEATBELT NORTH-EAST SUBREGIONAL ROAD GROUP MEETING HELD 09th FEBRUARY 2026

COUNCIL RESOLUTION **08/02/26**

Moved: Cr A Eksanow **Seconded: Cr K Dayman**

That the Minutes of the Wheatbelt North-East Subregional Road Group Meeting held on 09th February 2026 be received.

Carried by Simple Majority: 6/0

For: Cr G Coumbe, Cr C Stobie, Cr K Dayman, Cr A Eksanow, Cr W Lee, Cr B Wegner

Against: Nil

9. OFFICER REPORTS

9.1. LISTING OF PAYMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2025	
File Ref:	N/A
Previous Items:	Nil
Responsible Officer:	David Nayda Chief Executive Officer
Author and Title:	Selina Sergeant Manager Corporate Services
Declaration of Interest:	Nil

Voting Requirements:	Simple Majority
Attachment Number	9.1 – Payment Listing December 2025

COUNCIL RESOLUTION 09/02/26

Moved: Cr B Wegner **Seconded: Cr W Lee**

That Council in relation to the Payment Listing for December 2025, resolves to formally accept and acknowledge the contents of the report.
The following payments were outgoing throughout December 2025:

Municipal:

- **EFT: $737,479.04**
- **Cheque: $0.00**
- **Direct Debit: $54,144.33**
- **Credit Card: $1,079.08**
- **Direct Wages: $126,758.68**

- **Trust: $0.00**

- **Grand Total: $919,461.13**

Carried by Simple Majority: 6/0

For: Cr G Coumbe, Cr C Stobie, Cr K Dayman, Cr A Eksanow, Cr W Lee, Cr B Wegner

Against: Nil

IN BRIEF

The purpose of this report is to present the listing of payments made from the Shire's Municipal, Trust and Credit Card funds throughout the month of December 2025.

BACKGROUND

The attached appendix lists the payments from Council Municipal and Trust funds for the month applicable as per requirements of the *Local Government Act 1995* and the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*.
As per Regulation 13 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* the following information is required to be presented to Council;

- The Payee's name;
- The amount of the payment;
- The date of the Payment; and
- Sufficient information to identify the transaction.

REPORT DETAIL

As Council has delegated authority to the Chief Executive Officer to execute payments from the municipal fund and the trust fund a list of accounts paid is required to be submitted to Council showing the prescribe information.

SHIRE OF NUNGARIN INTEGRATED STRATEGIC PLAN 2023 - 2033

Focus Area	Community
Aspiration	Responds to the needs of all residents
Objective	Celebration of local culture, heritage and place

OTHER STRATEGIC LINKS

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

As per Regulation 13 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 the following is required;

(1) If the local government has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power to make payments from the municipal fund or the trust fund, a list of accounts paid by the CEO is to be prepared each month showing for each account paid since the last such list was prepared

(a) the payee's name;
(b) the amount of the payment;
(c) the date of the payment; and
(d) sufficient information to identify the transaction.

(2) A list of accounts for approval to be paid is to be prepared each month showing for each account which requires council authorization in that month:
(i) the payee's name;
(ii) the amount of the payment;
(iii) sufficient information to identify the transaction and;
(iv) the date of the meeting of the council to which the list is to be presented.

(3) A list prepared under sub regulation (1) or (2) is to be -

(a) presented to the council at the next ordinary meeting of the council after the list is prepared; and
(b) recorded in the minutes of that meeting.

SUSTAINABILITY AND RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Economic

Nil

Social

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Risk Management Implications

Risk Level	Comment
Medium	If the required information is not presented to Council in accordance with the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1996* it may result in a qualified audit report and an unclean compliance return submitted to the Department of Local Government, Sport & Cultural Industries.

CONSULTATION

Nil

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Financial

Nil

Workforce

Nil

9.2. LISTING OF PAYMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2026	
File Ref:	N/A
Previous Items:	Nil
Responsible Officer:	David Nayda Chief Executive Officer
Author and Title:	Selina Sergeant Manager of Corporate Services
Declaration of Interest:	Nil
Voting Requirements:	Simple Majority
Attachment Number	9.2 – Payment Listing January 2026

COUNCIL RESOLUTION **10/02/26**

Moved: Cr K Dayman **Seconded: Cr A Eksanow**

That Council in relation to the Payment Listing for January 2026, resolves to formally accept and acknowledge the contents of the report.
The following payments were outgoing throughout January 2026:

Municipal:

- **EFT: $98,352.85**
- **Cheque: $32.00**
- **Direct Debit: $20,087.07**
- **Credit Card: $709.80**
- **Direct Wages: $70,490.94**

- **Trust: $0.00**

- **Grand Total: $189,672.66**

Carried by Simple Majority: 6/0

For: Cr G Coumbe, Cr C Stobie, Cr K Dayman, Cr A Eksanow, Cr W Lee, Cr B Wegner

Against: Nil

IN BRIEF

The purpose of this report is to present the listing of payments made from the Shire's Municipal, Trust and Credit Card funds throughout the month of January 2026.

BACKGROUND

The attached appendix lists the payments from Council Municipal and Trust funds for the month applicable as per requirements of the *Local Government Act 1995* and the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*.

As per Regulation 13 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* the following information is required to be presented to Council;

- The Payee's name;
- The amount of the payment;

- The date of the Payment; and
- Sufficient information to identify the transaction.

REPORT DETAIL

As Council has delegated authority to the Chief Executive Officer to execute payments from the municipal fund and the trust fund a list of accounts paid is required to be submitted to Council showing the prescribe information.

SHIRE OF NUNGARIN INTEGRATED STRATEGIC PLAN 2023 - 2033

Focus Area	Community
Aspiration	Responds to the needs of all residents
Objective	ration of local culture, heritage and place

OTHER STRATEGIC LINKS

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

As per Regulation 13 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 the following is required;

(4) If the local government has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power to make payments from the municipal fund or the trust fund, a list of accounts paid by the CEO is to be prepared each month showing for each account paid since the last such list was prepared

(e) the payee's name;
(f) the amount of the payment;
(g) the date of the payment; and
(h) sufficient information to identify the transaction.

(5) A list of accounts for approval to be paid is to be prepared each month showing for each account which requires council authorization in that month:
(v) the payee's name;
(vi) the amount of the payment;
(vii) sufficient information to identify the transaction and;
(viii) the date of the meeting of the council to which the list is to be presented.

(6) A list prepared under sub regulation (1) or (2) is to be -

(c) presented to the council at the next ordinary meeting of the council after the list is prepared; and
(d) recorded in the minutes of that meeting.

SUSTAINABILITY AND RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Economic

Nil

Social

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Risk Management Implications

Risk Level	Comment
Medium	If the required information is not presented to Council in accordance with the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1996* it may result in a qualified audit report and an unclean compliance return submitted to the Department of Local Government, Sport & Cultural Industries.

CONSULTATION

Nil

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Financial

Nil

Workforce

Nil

SHIRE OF NUNGARIN

9.3. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT DECEMBER 2025	
File Ref:	N/A
Previous Items:	Nil
Responsible Officer:	David Nayda Chief Executive Officer
Author and Title:	Darren Long Consultant
Declaration of Interest:	Nil
Voting Requirements:	Simple Majority
Attachment Number	9.3 – Monthly Financial Report December 2025

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION **11/02/26**

Moved: **Cr C Stobie** **Seconded:** **Cr B Wegner**

That Council, regarding the Monthly Financial Report for December 2025, resolves to formally accept and acknowledge the contents of the report

Carried by Simple Majority: 6/0

For: Cr G Coumbe, Cr C Stobie, Cr K Dayman, Cr A Eksanow, Cr W Lee, Cr B Wegner

Against: Nil

IN BRIEF

For Council to consider the monthly financial report for the period ending 31st December 2025.

SUMMARY KEY ISSUES

The *Local Government Act 1995* and Regulations require local government to prepare monthly reports containing the information that is prescribed.

BACKGROUND

The *Local Government Act 1995* and the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* require local governments to prepare monthly reports containing the information that is prescribed.

SHIRE OF NUNGARIN INTEGRATED STRATEGIC PLAN 2023 – 2033

Focus Area	Our organisation
Aspiration	Effective forward planning, and engagement with our community
Objective	Deliver sound financial and asset management

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

There are no Strategic Plan implications evident at this time.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Section 6.4 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and Regulation 34 of the *Local Government (Finance) Regulations 1996*.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996:
Regulation 34 states:

(1) A local government is to prepare each month a statement of financial activity reporting on the sources and applications of funds, as set out in the annual budget under regulation 22(1)(d) for that month in the following detail:
   (a) annual budget estimates, taking into account any expenditure incurred for an additional purpose under section 6.8(1)(b) or (c);
   (b) budget estimates to the end of month to which the statement relates;
   (c) actual amounts of expenditure, revenue and income to the end of the month to which the statement relates;
   (d) material variances between the comparable amounts referred to in paragraphs (b) and (c);
   (e) the net current assets at the end of the month to which the statement relates.

(2) Sub regulations 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 prescribe further details of information to be included in the monthly statement of financial activity.

OFFICER COMMENT

The Shire prepares the monthly financial statements in the statutory format along with other supplementary financial reports consisting of:

(a) S Statement of Comprehensive Income by Function/Program;
(b) Statement of Comprehensive Income by Nature/Type;
(c) Statement of Financial Activity by Nature/Type;
(d) Statement of Financial Activity by Program;
(e) Summary of Net Current Asset Position;
(f) Statement of Explanation of Material Variances;
(g) Statement of Financial Position;
(h) Statement of Cash Flows;
(i) Statement of Capital Grants and Contract Liabilities;
(j) Statement of Capital Expenditure;
(k) Statement of Cash Back Reserves;
(l) Statement of Loan Borrowings;
(m) Statement of Trust Funds held; and
(n) Detailed Operating and Non-Operating Schedules.

MATERIAL VARIANCE COMMENTARY ON YEAR TO DATE

Regulation 34 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* require local governments to prepare annual budget estimates and month by month budget estimates so that

comparatives can be made to Year to Date (YTD) Actual amounts of expenditure, revenue and income.

Attached to this report is a copy of the month by month cumulative budget estimates, set out in the Statement of Financial Activity format.

The Statement of Financial Activity as at 31st December2025 shows a closing surplus of $1,415,307.00

SUSTAINABILITY AND RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Economic
Nil

Social
Nil

Policy Implications
Nil

Risk Management Implications

Risk Level	Comment
Medium	N/A

CONSULTATION

Financial Consultant – Darren Long

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Financial
Nil

Workforce
Nil

9.4. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT JANUARY 2026	
File Ref:	N/A
Previous Items:	Nil
Responsible Officer:	David Nayda Chief Executive Officer
Author and Title:	Darren Long Consultant
Declaration of Interest:	Nil
Voting Requirements:	Simple Majority
Attachment Number	9.4 – Monthly Financial Report January 2026

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION **12/02/26**

Moved: **Cr W Lee** **Seconded:** **Cr K Dayman**

That Council, regarding the Monthly Financial Report for January 2026, resolves to formally accept and acknowledge the contents of the report

Carried by Simple Majority: 6/0

For: Cr G Coumbe, Cr C Stobie, Cr K Dayman, Cr A Eksanow, Cr W Lee, Cr B Wegner

Against: Nil

IN BRIEF

For Council to consider the monthly financial report for the period ending 31st January 2026.

SUMMARY KEY ISSUES

The *Local Government Act 1995* and Regulations require local government to prepare monthly reports containing the information that is prescribed.

BACKGROUND

The *Local Government Act 1995* and the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* require local governments to prepare monthly reports containing the information that is prescribed.

SHIRE OF NUNGARIN INTEGRATED STRATEGIC PLAN 2023 – 2033

Focus Area	Our organisation
Aspiration	Effective forward planning, and engagement with our community
Objective	Deliver sound financial and asset management

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

There are no Strategic Plan implications evident at this time.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Section 6.4 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and Regulation 34 of the *Local Government (Finance) Regulations 1996*.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996:
Regulation 34 states:

(1) A local government is to prepare each month a statement of financial activity reporting on the sources and applications of funds, as set out in the annual budget under regulation 22(1)(d) for that month in the following detail:

(a) annual budget estimates, taking into account any expenditure incurred for an additional purpose under section 6.8(1)(b) or (c);

(b) budget estimates to the end of month to which the statement relates;

(c) actual amounts of expenditure, revenue and income to the end of the month to which the statement relates;

(d) material variances between the comparable amounts referred to in paragraphs (b) and (c);

(e) the net current assets at the end of the month to which the statement relates.

(2) Sub regulations 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 prescribe further details of information to be included in the monthly statement of financial activity.

OFFICER COMMENT

The Shire prepares the monthly financial statements in the statutory format along with other supplementary financial reports consisting of:

(o) S Statement of Comprehensive Income by Function/Program;
(p) Statement of Comprehensive Income by Nature/Type;
(q) Statement of Financial Activity by Nature/Type;
(r) Statement of Financial Activity by Program;
(s) Summary of Net Current Asset Position;
(t) Statement of Explanation of Material Variances;
(u) Statement of Financial Position;
(v) Statement of Cash Flows;
(w) Statement of Capital Grants and Contract Liabilities;
(x) Statement of Capital Expenditure;
(y) Statement of Cash Back Reserves;
(z) Statement of Loan Borrowings;

(aa) Statement of Trust Funds held; and
(bb) Detailed Operating and Non-Operating Schedules.

MATERIAL VARIANCE COMMENTARY ON YEAR TO DATE

Regulation 34 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* require local governments to prepare annual budget estimates and month by month budget estimates so that comparatives can be made to Year to Date (YTD) Actual amounts of expenditure, revenue and income.

Attached to this report is a copy of the month-by-month cumulative budget estimates, set out in the Statement of Financial Activity format.

The Statement of Financial Activity as at 31st January 2026 shows a closing surplus of $1,387,867.

SUSTAINABILITY AND RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Economic
Nil

Social
Nil

Policy Implications
Nil

Risk Management Implications

Risk Level	Comment
Medium	N/A

CONSULTATION

Financial Consultant – Darren Long

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Financial
Nil

Workforce
Nil

9.5. INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025	
File Ref:	N/A
Previous Items:	Nil
Responsible Officer:	David Nayda Chief Executive Officer
Author and Title:	Darren Long Consultant
Declaration of Interest:	Nil
Voting Requirements:	Simple Majority
Attachment Number	Nil

COUNCIL RESOLUTION **13/02/26**

Moved: **Cr A Eksanow** **Seconded:** **Cr C Stobie**

That the Investment Report as at 31st December 2025 be received.

Carried by Simple Majority: 6/0

For: Cr G Coumbe, Cr C Stobie, Cr K Dayman, Cr A Eksanow, Cr W Lee, Cr B Wegner

Against: Nil

IN BRIEF
For Council to receive the investment Report as at 31st December 2025.

BACKGROUND
Money held in the Municipal Fund of the Shire of Nungarin that is not required for the time being, may be invested in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995* and the *Trustees Act 1962* Part III.

REPORT DETAIL
There were no investments made during the month of December 2025.

INVESTMENT REGISTER						
1 DECEMBER 2025 TO 31 DECEMBER 2025						
COMMONWEALTH BANK – FIXED TERM DEPOSIT						
ACCOUNT №	**DATE OF MATURITY**	**INTEREST RATE**	**OPENING BALANCE**	**INTEREST EARNT TO 31.12.2025**	**INVESTMENT TRANSFERS**	**CLOSING BALANCE 31.12.2025**
38132004.63	16/02/2026	4.08%	$1,116,356.22	$0.00	$0.00	$1,116,356.22
38132004.64	10/12/2025	4.09%	$1,500,000.00	$15,127.40	($1,515,127.40)	$0.00

SHIRE OF NUNGARIN INTEGRATED STRATEGIC PLAN 2023 - 2033

Focus Area	Our organisation
Aspiration	Effective forward planning, and engagement with our community
Objective	We deliver sound financial and asset management

OTHER STRATEGIC LINKS

No Strategic Plan implications

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

6.14. Power to invest

(1) Money held in the municipal fund or the trust fund of a local government that is not, for the time being, required by the local government for any other purpose may be invested as trust funds may be invested under the *Trustees Act 1962* Part III.

(2A) A local government is to comply with the regulations when investing money referred to in subsection (1).

(2) Regulations in relation to investments by local governments may —

(a) make provision in respect of the investment of money referred to in subsection (1); and
(b) [deleted];
(c) prescribe circumstances in which a local government is required to invest money held by it; and
(d) provide for the application of investment earnings; and
(e) generally provide for the management of those investments.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996

19. Investments, control procedures for

(1) A local government is to establish and document internal control procedures to be followed by employees to ensure control over investments.

(2) The control procedures are to enable the identification of —

(a) the nature and location of all investments; and

(b) the transactions related to each investment.

19C. Investment of money, restrictions on (Act s. 6.14(2)(a))

(1) In this regulation —

authorised institution means —

(a) an authorised deposit-taking institution as defined in the *Banking Act 1959 (Commonwealth)* section 5; or

(b) the Western Australian Treasury Corporation established by the *Western Australian Treasury Corporation Act 1986*;

foreign currency means a currency except the currency of Australia.

(2) When investing money under section 6.14(1), a local government may not do any of the following —

(a) deposit with an institution except an authorised institution;
(b) deposit for a fixed term of more than 12 months;
(c) invest in bonds that are not guaranteed by the Commonwealth Government, or a State or Territory government;
(d) invest in bonds with a term to maturity of more than 3 years;
(e) invest in a foreign currency.

SUSTAINABILITY AND RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Economic
Nil

Social
Nil

Policy Implications
Council Policy 3.07 applies to the investment of surplus funds.

Risk Management Implications

Risk Level	Comment
Low	

CONSULTATION
Financial Consultant – Darren Long

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Financial
Nil

Workforce
Nil

9.6. INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 JANUARY 2026	
File Ref:	N/A
Previous Items:	Nil
Responsible Officer:	David Nayda Chief Executive Officer
Author and Title:	Darren Long Consultant
Declaration of Interest:	Nil
Voting Requirements:	Simple Majority
Attachment Number	Nil

COUNCIL RESOLUTION **14/02/2026**

Moved: **Cr K Dayman** **Seconded:** **Cr B Wegner**

That the Investment Report as at 31st January 2026 be received.

Carried by Simple Majority: 6/0

For: Cr G Coumbe, Cr C Stobie, Cr K Dayman, Cr A Eksanow, Cr W Lee, Cr B Wegner

Against: Nil

IN BRIEF
For Council to receive the investment Report as at 31st January 2026.

BACKGROUND
Money held in the Municipal Fund of the Shire of Nungarin that is not required for the time being, may be invested in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995* and the *Trustees Act 1962* Part III.

REPORT DETAIL
There were no investments made during the month of January 2026.

INVESTMENT REGISTER						
1 JANUARY 2026 TO 31 JANUARY 2026						
COMMONWEALTH BANK – FIXED TERM DEPOSIT						
ACCOUNT №	DATE OF MATURITY	INTEREST RATE	OPENING BALANCE	INTEREST EARNT TO 31.01.2026	INVESTMENT TRANSFERS	CLOSING BALANCE 31.01.2026
38132004.63	16/02/2026	4.08%	$1,116,356.22	$0.00	$0.00	$1,116,356.22

SHIRE OF NUNGARIN INTEGRATED STRATEGIC PLAN 2023 - 2033

Focus Area	Our organisation
Aspiration	Effective forward planning, and engagement with our community
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OTHER STRATEGIC LINKS

No Strategic Plan implications

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

6.14. Power to invest

(3) Money held in the municipal fund or the trust fund of a local government that is not, for the time being, required by the local government for any other purpose may be invested as trust funds may be invested under the *Trustees Act 1962* Part III.

(2A) A local government is to comply with the regulations when investing money referred to in subsection (1).

(4) Regulations in relation to investments by local governments may —

(a) make provision in respect of the investment of money referred to in subsection (1); and

(b) [deleted];

(f) prescribe circumstances in which a local government is required to invest money held by it; and

(g) provide for the application of investment earnings; and

(h) generally provide for the management of those investments.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996

19. Investments, control procedures for

(3) A local government is to establish and document internal control procedures to be followed by employees to ensure control over

investments.

(a) The control procedures are to enable the identification of —the nature and location of all investments; and

(b) the transactions related to each investment.

19C. Investment of money, restrictions on (Act s. 6.14(2)(a))

(1) In this regulation —

authorised institution means —

(a) an authorised deposit-taking institution as defined in the *Banking Act 19*
(Commonwealth) section 5; or

(b) the Western Australian Treasury Corporation established by the *Western Australian Treasury Corporation Act 1986*;

foreign currency means a currency except the currency of Australia.

(2) When investing money under section 6.14(1), a local government may not do any of the following —

(f) deposit with an institution except an authorised institution;
(g) deposit for a fixed term of more than 12 months;
(h) invest in bonds that are not guaranteed by the Commonwealth Government, or a State or Territory government;
(i) invest in bonds with a term to maturity of more than 3 years;
(j) invest in a foreign currency.

SUSTAINABILITY AND RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Economic
Nil

Social
Nil

Policy Implications
Council Policy 3.07 applies to the investment of surplus funds.

Risk Management Implications

Risk Level	Comment
Low	

CONSULTATION
Financial Consultant – Darren Long

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Financial
Nil

Workforce
Nil

9.7. WRITE OFF OUTSTANDING DEBT FOR DEBTOR 7036	
File Ref:	N/A
Previous Items:	Nil
Responsible Officer:	David Nayda Chief Executive Officer
Author and Title:	Selina Sergeant Manager Corporate Services
Declaration of Interest:	Nil
Voting Requirements:	Absolute Majority
Attachment Number	Nil

COUNCIL RESOLUTION **15/02/26**

Moved: **Cr K Dayman** **Seconded:** **Cr W Lee**

That Council resolves to write off the outstanding debt of $2,866.15 for Debtor 7036 in accordance with section 6.12 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

Carried by Absolute Majority: 6/0

For: Cr G Coumbe, Cr C Stobie, Cr K Dayman, Cr A Eksanow, Cr W Lee, Cr B Wegner

Against: Nil

IN BRIEF

Council is requested to consider writing off an outstanding debt of $2,866.15 owned by Debtor 7036, as further recovery action is uneconomical and not in the best interest of Council.

BACKGROUND

The debt relates to overdue utility invoices.

Following discussions with the lessee, it was alleged that the sub-meter readings are ambiguous and do not provide an accurate measure of the lessee's utility usage.

Recovery efforts undertaken by Council have not resulted in any payment being received and legal advice has determined that the cost of continuing recovery action through legal proceedings would exceed the value of the debt.

REPORT DETAIL

After assessing the debt, it was determined that:

- The cost of further action would exceed the amount recoverable;
- The likelihood of recovering the debt or part of the debt is unlikely;
- The debt has been outstanding for an extended period of time (04/12/2023 – 01/07/2024).

OTHER STRATEGIC LINKS
Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

6.12. Power to defer, grant discounts, waive or write off debts

(1) Subject to subsection (2) and any other written law, a local government may —

(a) when adopting the annual budget, grant* a discount or other incentive for the early payment of any amount of money; or

(b) waive or grant concessions in relation to any amount of money; or

(c) write off any amount of money, which is owed to the local government.

* Absolute majority required.

(2) Subsection (1)(a) and (b) do not apply to an amount of money owing in respect of rates and service charges.

(3) The grant of a concession under subsection (1)(b) may be subject to any conditions determined by the local government.

(4) Regulations may prescribe circumstances in which a local government is not to exercise a power under subsection (1) or regulate the exercise of that power.

[Section 6.12 amended: No. 64 of 1998 s. 39.]

SUSTAINABILITY AND RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Economic
Nil

Social
Nil

Policy Implications
Nil

Risk Management Implications

Risk Level	Comment

CONSULTATION

McLeods Lawyers

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Financial

The financial risk to Council is minimal as the amount recommended to be written off has already been identified as unlikely to be recovered.

Workforce

Nil

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10. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Nil

11. NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE

Nil

12. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Nil

13. CLOSURE

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5:13pm

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Presiding Member Date