



Minutes

Ordinary Council Meeting

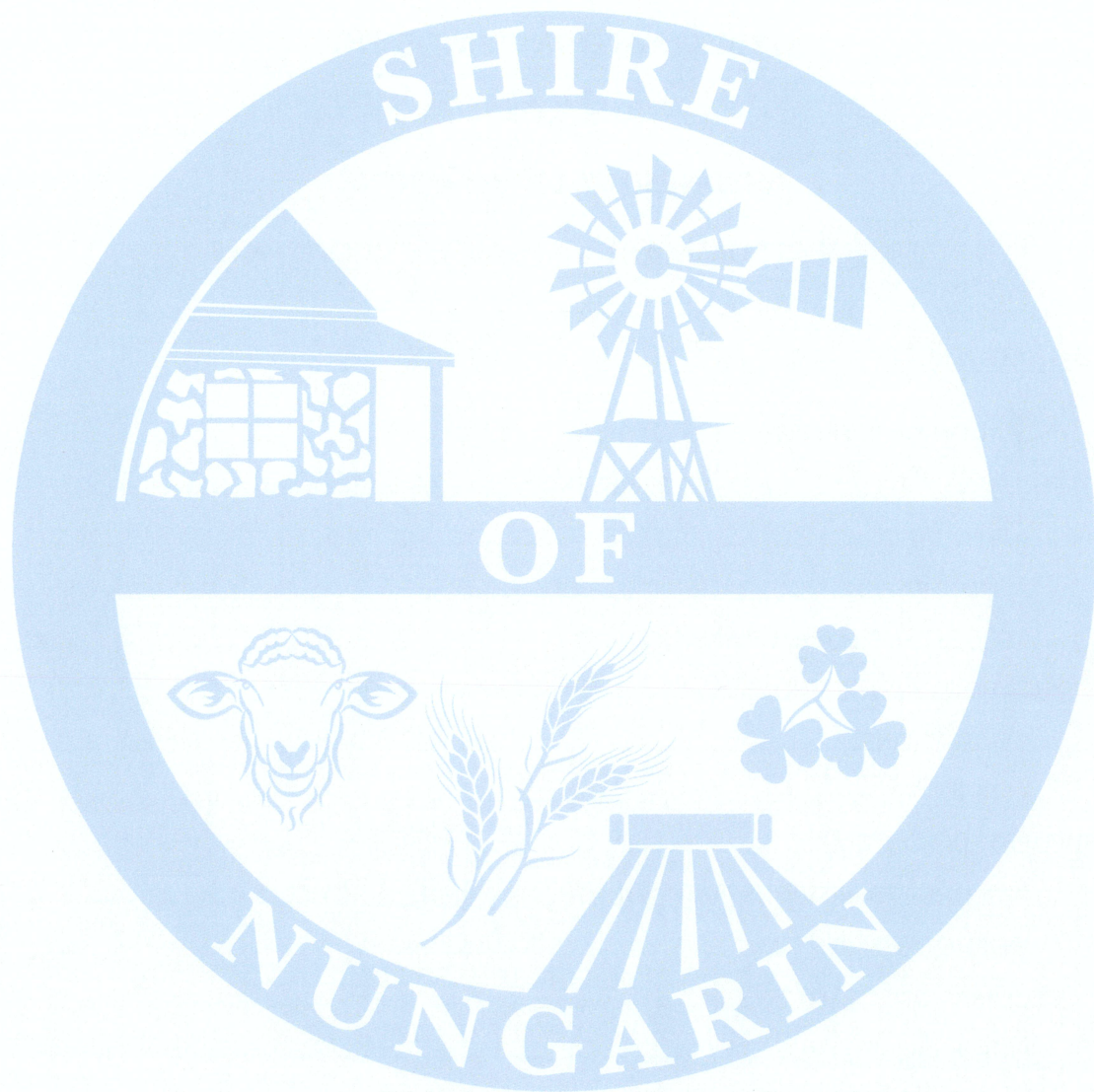
Wednesday 17th June 2026

Commenced at 5:00PM

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Railway Avenue Nungarin



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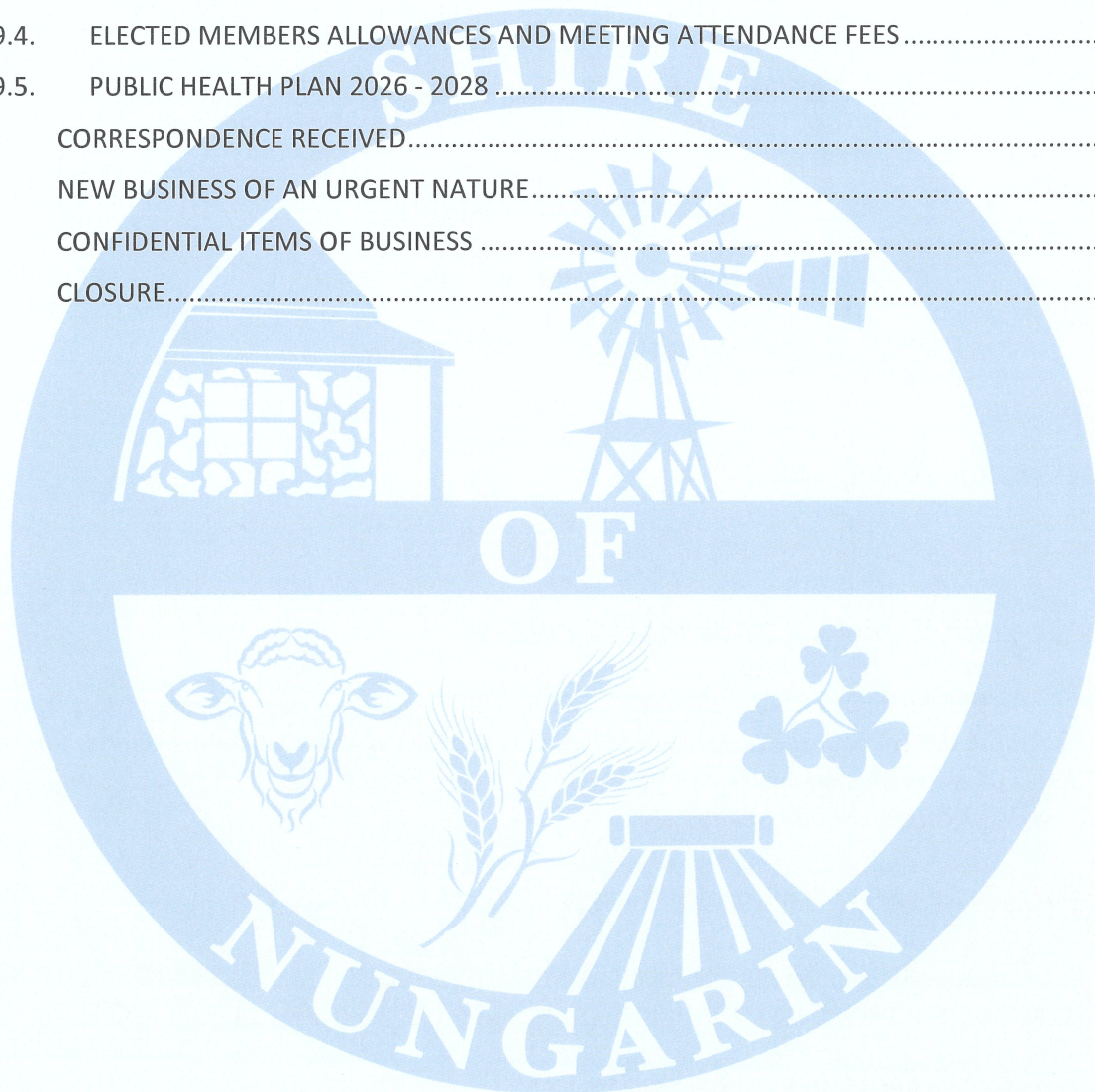
WEDNESDAY 17th June 2026

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MINUTES and STAFF REPORTS

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NUNGARIN

ON WEDNESDAY 17th JUNE 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

Shire President
Deputy President
Elected Member
Elected Member
Elected Member

Cr P de Lacy
Cr G Coumbe
Cr B Wegner
Cr K Dayman
Cr A Eksanow

Elected Member
Elected Member

Cr W Lee
Cr C Stobie

Council Officers

Chief Executive Officer
Manager Works & Services
Executive Assistant

Mr D Nayda
Mr D Dhu
Ms C Morrell

Observers / Visitors

2.2. APOLOGIES

Manager Corporate Services Miss S Sergeant

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 CONFLICT

Nil

6. ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDING MEMBER (WITHOUT DISCUSSION)

I am just going to do a little spiel on my meeting in Perth with the Greater Eastern Country Zone Executive Committee. I found it highly valuable and got a lot out of it. It was really well coordinated by the Zone, Sam Mcleod, Habiba and it was a really great trip. On Tuesday we had breakfast with Lachlan Hunter and then went to Parliament House where we met with Miss Sandra Brewer and Minister Beasley. We went to Question Time in Parliament House and watched that which was quite entertaining. We had a couple of hours window before dinner so Lachlan Hunter, Kath Brown and Kirilee Waugh invited us to have refreshments with them. We then went to dinner with Minister Winton, the Minister for the Wheatbelt at Parliament House which was really nice. The next morning, we met with Main Roads and Heavy Vehicle Service and had a good chat with them. We met with the General Director from the Department of Housing and Works then we went back to Parliament as did Minister Sanderson. We met with DPIRD and talked about biofuels, land use and tree farms which was great. I will go into that with Council in more depth at a later stage. We went to ARC and met with the CEO, Steph Unwin and then we had dinner that night with Sam and Habiba from WALGA to thank them. Thursday, we finished off with a meeting with the Honourable Meredith Hammett, the Minister for Health and then Minister Kerry. We had our Zone meeting online from the office and then met with the Honourable Steve Martin and that was the end of the week. It was very interesting.

I think the Ministers were very surprised that we didn't come in with a "we want this attitude". We just went in with what can the Zone do to assist the Ministers or DPIRD or Main Roads and things

like that. So it was really well met and lots of points came out of it and the Executive and WALGA will put together a full report on all our questions answered.

7. PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES / OUT OF SESSION CONFIRMATION

Nil

7.1. CONFIRMATION MINUTES ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – 20th OF MAY 2026

COUNCIL RESOLUTION **53/06/26**

Moved: Cr A Eksanow

Seconded:

Cr G Coumbe

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 20th of May 2026 be confirmed as being a true and accurate record.

Carried by Simple Majority: 7/0

For: Cr de Lacy, Cr Coumbe, Cr Wegner, Cr Dayman, Cr Eksanow, Cr Lee, Cr Stobie

Against: Nil



8. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES RECEIVED**8.1. RECEIPT OF MINUTES KUNUNOPPIN MEDICAL PRACTICE COMMITTEE – FEBRUARY 17, 2026****COUNCIL RESOLUTION** 54/06/26

Moved: Cr K Dayman

Seconded: Cr B Wegner

That the Minutes of the Kununoppin Medical Practice Committee held on February 17th, 2026, be received.

Carried by Simple Majority: 7/0

For: Cr de Lacy, Cr Coumbe, Cr Wegner, Cr Dayman, Cr Eksanow, Cr Lee, Cr Stobie

Against: Nil

8.2. RECEIPT OF MINUTES NUNGARIN HERITAGE MACHINERY AND ARMY MUSEUM – MAY 12, 2026**COUNCIL RESOLUTION** 55/06/26

Moved: Cr C Stobie

Seconded: Cr A Eksanow

That the Minutes of the Nungarin Heritage Machinery and Army Museum held on May 12th, 2026 be received.

Carried by Simple Majority: 7/0

For: Cr de Lacy, Cr Coumbe, Cr Wegner, Cr Dayman, Cr Eksanow, Cr Lee, Cr Stobie

Against: Nil

**8.3 RECEIPT OF MINUTES STATE ROAD FUNDS TO LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING –
MAY 4, 2026**

COUNCIL RESOLUTION 56/06/26

Moved: Cr G Coumbe

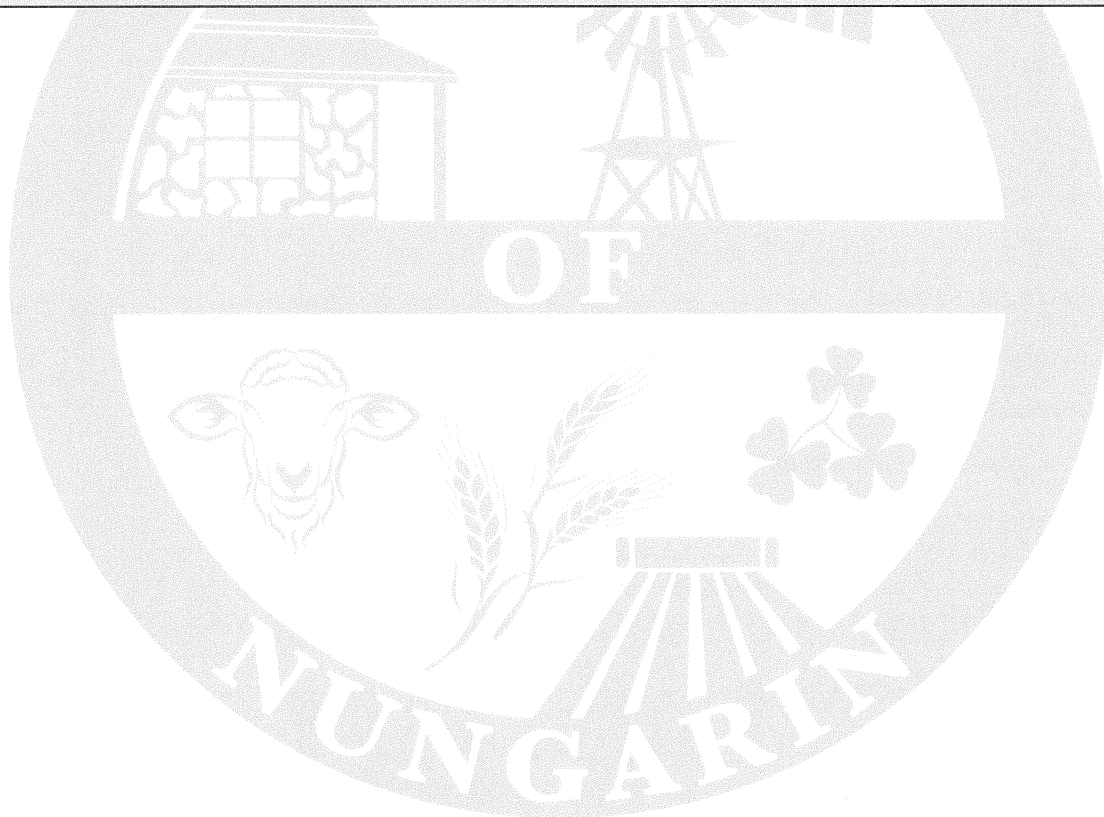
Seconded: Cr B Wegner

That the Minutes of the State Road Funds to Local Advisory Committee held on May 4th, 2026, be received.

Carried by Simple Majority: 7/0

For: Cr de Lacy, Cr Coumbe, Cr Wegner, Cr Dayman, Cr Eksanow, Cr Lee, Cr Stobie

Against: Nil



9. OFFICER REPORTS

9.1. LISTING OF PAYMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 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	9.1 A – Payment Listing May 2026

COUNCIL RESOLUTION**57/06/26****Moved:** Cr K Dayman**Seconded:** Cr W Lee

That Council in relation to the Payment Listing for May 2026, resolves to formally accept and acknowledge the contents of the report.

The following payments were outgoing throughout May 2026:

Municipal:

- EFT: \$250,510.87
- Cheque: \$0.00
- Direct Debit: \$164,072.97
- Inclusive of Credit Card payments: \$80.00
- Direct Wages: \$66,063.35
- Trust: \$0.00
- Grand Total: \$480,647.19

Carried by Simple Majority: 7/0

For: Cr de Lacy, Cr Coumbe, Cr Wegner, Cr Dayman, Cr Eksanow, Cr Lee, Cr Stobie

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 May 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	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 <i>Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1996</i> it may result in a qualified audit report and an unclear compliance return submitted to the Department of Local Government, Sport & Cultural Industries.

CONSULTATION

Nil

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**Financial**

Nil

Workforce

Nil

9.2. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT MAY 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	9.2 A – Monthly Financial Report May 2026

COUNCIL RESOLUTION**58/06/26****Moved: Cr B Wegner****Seconded: Cr A Eksanow**

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

Carried by Simple Majority: 7/0

For: Cr de Lacy, Cr Coumbe, Cr Wegner, Cr Dayman, Cr Eksanow, Cr Lee, Cr Stobie

Against: Nil

IN BRIEF

For Council to consider the monthly financial report for the period ending 31st May 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:

- (a) 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 May 2026 shows a closing surplus of \$441,298.

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

9.3. INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 ST MAY 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

59/06/26

Moved: Cr K Dayman

Seconded: Cr C Stobie

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

Carried by Simple Majority: 7/0

For: Cr de Lacy, Cr Coumbe, Cr Wegner, Cr Dayman, Cr Eksanow, Cr Lee, Cr Stobie

Against: Nil

IN BRIEFFor Council to receive the investment Report as at 31st May 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 investments made during the month of May 2026

INVESTMENT REGISTER						
01 st MAY to 31 st MAY						
COMMONWEALTH BANK – FIXED TERM DEPOSIT						
ACCOUNT N ^o	DATE OF MATURITY	INTEREST RATE	OPENING BALANCE	INTEREST EARNED TO 31/05/2026	INVESTMENT TRANSFERS	CLOSING BALANCE 31/05/2026
38132004.70	18/05/2026	4.43%	\$1,139,067.49	\$12,580.61	(\$1,151,648.10)	\$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 F2 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

9.4. ELECTED MEMBERS ALLOWANCES AND MEETING ATTENDANCE FEES	
File Ref:	N/A
Previous Items:	Nil
Responsible Officer:	David Nayda Chief Executive Officer
Author and Title:	David Nayda Chief Executive Officer
Declaration of Interest:	Nil
Voting Requirements:	Simple Majority
Attachment Number	9.4A

COUNCIL RESOLUTION**60/06/26****Moved: Cr G Coumbe****Seconded: Cr K Dayman****That Council resolves to:**

Approve the following meeting attendance fees and allowances per Elected Member for the 2026/2027 financial year.

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| a) President's Annual Allowance | \$ 16,000.00 |
| b) President's Council Meeting Attendance Fee | \$ 400.00 |
| c) Deputy President's Annual Allowance | \$ 4,000.00 |
| d) Elected Members' Council Meeting Attendance Fee | \$ 220.00 |
| e) Elected Members' Annual ICT Allowance | \$ 1,000.00 |
| f) | |
| g) Travel allowance as per Council Policy GEM 2 – Council Members' Fees, Allowances and Reimbursement of Expenses. | |

With addition of f) Committee Meeting Fee \$100.00

Carried by Simple Majority: 7/0

For: Cr de Lacy, Cr Coumbe, Cr Wegner, Cr Dayman, Cr Eksanow, Cr Lee, Cr Stobie

Against: Nil

IN BRIEF

Council is requested to consider and set the Elected Members Sitting Fees and Allowances which are to be incorporated into the 2026/27 Financial Budget.

BACKGROUND

In August and September 2025, the Tribunal conducted a survey of local governments in order to inform a comprehensive review of all aspects of the determination.

The survey was undertaken to assess sector views on the determination. Feedback highlighted a range of operational challenges and contextual differences across local governments. However, these issues did not demonstrate a systemic or sector-wide shift that would warrant fundamental changes to the current framework.

Every local government had the opportunity to complete the survey and comment on all aspects of the determination. 64 responses were received. A broad overview of the results follows:

- 25 or 39% of local governments stated that they have experienced attraction and retention issues and some requested the Tribunal increase remuneration rates for CEOs
- 5 non-metropolitan local governments requested eligibility to provide a Regional/Isolation Allowance to their CEO
- 12 or 20% of local governments requested an increase to the annual allowance for Mayors/Presidents/Chairs; and 11 or 19% requested an increase to the annual allowance percentage rate for Deputy Mayors/Presidents/Chairs
- 10 or 17% of local governments requested an increase to the ICT allowance range.

REPORT DETAIL

Last financial years payments are as follows

a) President's Annual Allowance	\$16,000.00
b) President's Council Meeting Attendance Fee	\$300.00
c) Deputy President's Annual Allowance	\$4,000.00
d) Elected Members' Council Meeting Attendance Fee	\$220.00
e) Elected Members' Annual ICT Allowance	\$1,000.00
f) Committee Meetings	\$100.00
g) Travel Allowance as per Council Policy GEM 2 – Council Members' Fees, Allowances and Reimbursement of Expenses.	

President and Deputy President Allowances:

Currently the Shire President Allowance is \$16,000 and the Deputy Shire President Allowance is \$4,000. In terms of table 10 of the *Salaries and Allowances Act 1975*, the Shire President should be paid a minimum allowance of \$575 and a maximum of \$22,470.

With regard to the Deputy Shire President, s5.98A of the *Local Government Act 1995* gives a local government the ability to decide to pay the Deputy Shire President an allowance of up to a percentage determined by the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal. In terms of s7.3(1) of the *Salaries and Allowances Act 1975*, this percentage has been determined to be up to 25% of the Shire Presidents allowance.

Elected Members Meeting Fees:

In terms of the *Salaries and Allowances Act 1975*, the Shire of Nungarin is listed as a band 4 local government. There are two (2) options of payment available to Elected Members, payment per meeting or annual meeting attendance fees.

Council currently utilises the option of fees per meeting, in terms of table 4 of the *Salaries and Allowances Act 1975*, a band 4 local government should pay between \$109 (minimum) and \$280 (maximum) to a council member other than the president to attend Council meetings. Currently elected members are paid \$220 per meeting. In terms of the same table (table 4) the president should be paid between \$109(minimum) and \$570 (maximum) to attend Council meetings. Currently the president is paid \$300 per meeting.

In addition to attending Council meetings, elected members also attend numerous committee meetings, as a representative of Council and currently it is set at \$100 per meeting . Using the current payment system, table 6 of the *Salaries and Allowances Act 1975*, indicates the minimum payment for elected members including the Shire President and Deputy Shire President should be \$52 and a maximum of \$130 per committee meeting.

However, it should be considered Elected Members attend a number of meetings where they may not be directly representing Council but would be of interest to Council. These meetings are attended without the ability for Elected Members to claim payment or out of pocket costs.

Although the role of Elected Members is very much a voluntary role it should not result in a financial loss to the Elected Member.

Taking the above into consideration, as well as the potential loss of income incurred by Elected Members due to the attendance of Council and Committee meetings as well as various other Council functions it is recommended Council move from the current payment option to an annual payment option for the attendance of all meetings related to Council business.

OTHER STRATEGIC LINKS

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

- *Local Government Act 1995;*
- *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996;*
- *Salaries and Allowances Act 1975.*

SUSTAINABILITY AND RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Economic

Nil

Social

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Risk Management Implications

Risk Level	Comment
Medium	Although Elected Member positions are largely considered to be voluntary, it is imperative to ensure Elected Members are not left out of pocket as a result of being on Council. This could result in a situation where nobody in the community is willing to become an Elected Member which could have a significant negative impact on the operations of the Shire.

CONSULTATION

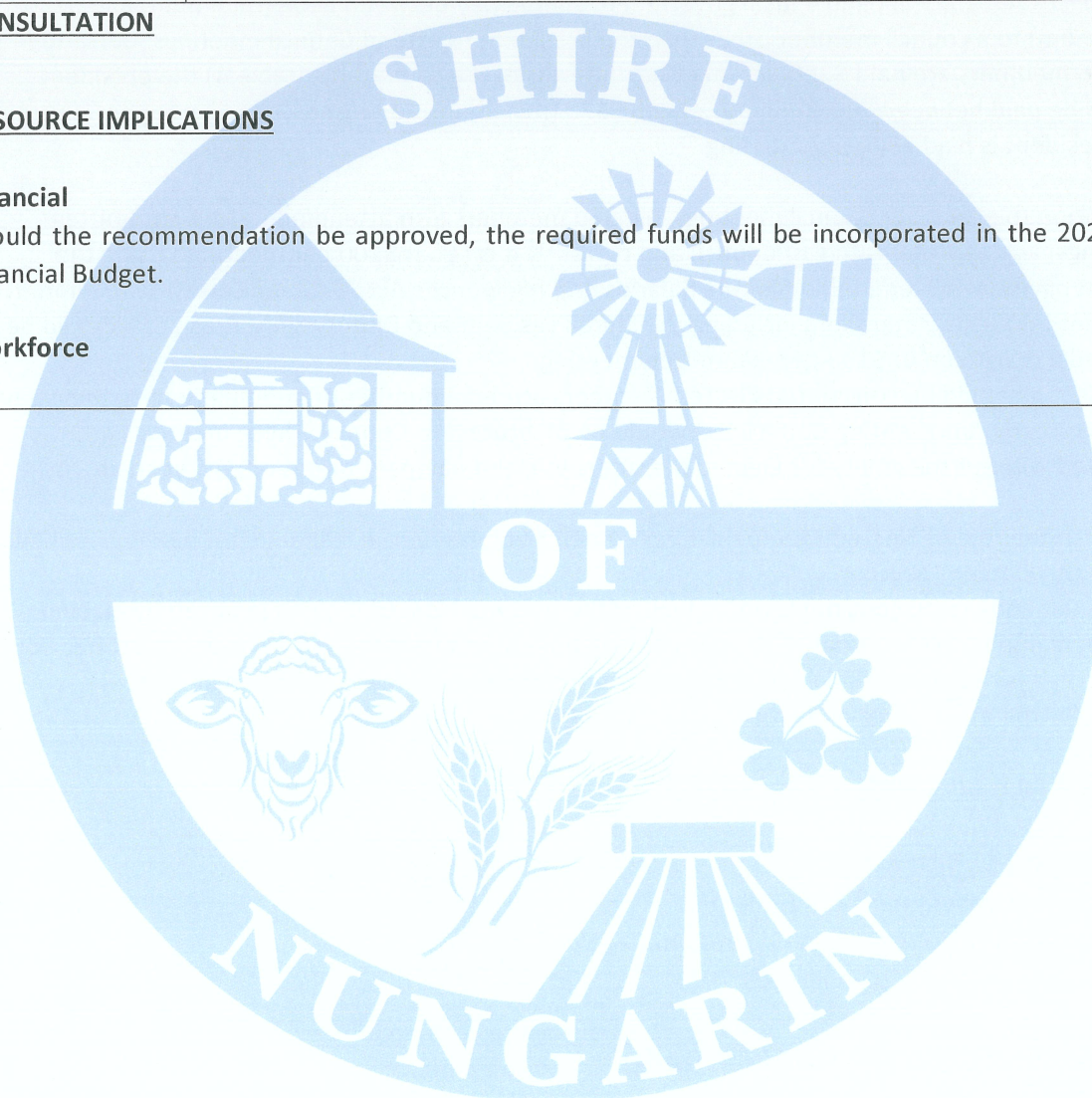
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RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**Financial**

Should the recommendation be approved, the required funds will be incorporated in the 2025/26 Financial Budget.

Workforce

Nil



9.5. PUBLIC HEALTH PLAN 2026 - 2028	
File Ref:	N/A
Previous Items:	Nil
Responsible Officer:	David Nayda Chief Executive Officer
Author and Title:	Tony Turner Environmental Health Officer
Declaration of Interest:	Nil
Voting Requirements:	Simple Majority
Attachment Number	9.5 A Shire of Nungarin Public Health Plan Summary – Draft 9.5 B State Public Health Plan 2025 - 2030 9.5 C Health and Wellbeing Profile – LGA Nungarin

COUNCIL RESOLUTION 61/06/26

Moved: Cr A Eksanow

Seconded: Cr B Wegner

That the Council:

1. Pursuant to Section 16 of the *Public Health Act 2016*, endorse the Shire of Nungarin Public Health Plan 2026-2028 and REQUEST the Chief Executive Officer make the plan available to the public in any way he considers reasonable, including by making it available on the Shires website.

Carried by Simple Majority: 7/0

For: Cr de Lacy, Cr Coumbe, Cr Wegner, Cr Dayman, Cr Eksanow, Cr Lee, Cr Stobie

Against: Nil

IN BRIEF

The purpose of this report is to seek Councils endorsement of the Shires inaugural Public Health Plan, the Shire of Nungarin Public Health Plan 2026- 2028 (the PHP).

BACKGROUND

The *Public Health Act 2016 (WA)* (the Act) requires all local governments to prepare and publish a Local Public Health Plan (PHP). Compliance with this requirement is administered by the Department of Health.

Implementation of Stage 5A of the Act commenced on 4 June 2024, formally enacting the requirement for the preparation of:

- A State Public Health Plan (SPHP) prepared by the Chief Health Officer; and
- A Local Public Health Plan prepared by each local government.

The purpose of both the State and Local Public Health Plans is to support an integrated, interagency approach to achieving positive public health outcomes for the State and local communities.

The Shire's Public Health Plan has been developed in accordance with the statutory requirements of the Act. It has been informed by current population health profiles, relevant legislation and guidance materials, and consideration of regional initiatives and State public health priorities that:

- Promote public health;
- Prevent illness and injury;
- Protect the community from public health risks; and
- Enable improved health and wellbeing outcomes.

Plan Development

Development of the Plan commenced approximately 18 months ago and included:

- Review of relevant legislation, policies, guidance materials, and population health data;
- Engagement with key State and regional agencies;
- Preparation of a template plan to facilitate consultation and information gathering;
- Review and amendment of draft content by key stakeholders; and
- Professional graphic design and formatting of the final document.

As this is the Shire's inaugural Public Health Plan, it has been designed to be progressive, adaptive, and responsive to local needs and regional public health initiatives. The Plan acknowledges the Shire's existing health-related services and facilities and establishes practical objectives that are achievable, measurable, and capable of being reported upon.

REPORT DETAIL

The Act requires annual reviews and reporting of the Plan to the Department of Health. In addition, updated Census data is expected to become available following the next Census collection, providing a stronger evidence base for future reviews and revisions of the Plan.

The review period will also provide opportunities to continue engagement with stakeholders and obtain community feedback to support ongoing improvement of the Plan and the development of future public health planning initiatives.

Conclusion

As there is no existing Public Health Plan to repeal, this report seeks Council's endorsement of the inaugural Shire of Nungarin Public Health Plan 2026–2028.

The Plan will serve as an informing strategy and an integral component of the Shire's strategic planning framework, complementing the Community Plan for the Future and supporting the requirements of section 5.56 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

OTHER STRATEGIC LINKS

Shire of Nungarin Integrated Strategic Plan 2023 - 2033	
This plan is not referred to in the Shire of Nungarin Community Strategic Plan but will support and inform key strategic outcomes such as.	
1.1	A connected local community that feels safe, healthy, and engaged
1.2	Effective emergency services planning, risk mitigation, response, and recovery
1.1.1	Work with the younger generation to encourage innovation, foster community spirit and support volunteering
1.1.2	Partner with the CRC to develop and deliver community events and programs
3.1	Safe, and well-maintained shire owned facilities
3.3	A high standard of sustainable waste services
3.3.1	Work with regional partners to plan the development of a transfer station to feed into a central NEWROC waste facility

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Public Health Act, 2016.

Division 2 — Functions of local governments

16. Functions of local governments

A local government has the following functions in relation to the administration of this Act —

(a) to initiate, support and manage public health planning for its local government district;

Part 5 — Public health plans

45. Local public health plans

(1) A local government must prepare a public health plan (a local public health plan) that applies to its local government district.

(2) A local public health plan must be consistent with the State public health plan.

(3) A local public health plan may be prepared in conjunction with a plan for the future of the local government district prepared under the Local Government Act 1995 section 5.56.

46. Publication of current local public health plans

(1) A local government must make its current local public health plan publicly available without charge.

(2) A local government may comply with subsection (1) in any way the local government considers appropriate, including (without limitation) by making the current local public health plan available on a website maintained by or on behalf of the local government.

Local Government Act 1995.

Division 5 — Annual reports and planning

5.56. Planning for the future

(1) A local government is to plan for the future of the district.

SUSTAINABILITY AND RISK CONSIDERATIONS**Economic**

Nil

Social

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Risk Management Implications

Risk Level	Comment
Low	The risk is with not endorsing the Plan and not complying with Section 16 of the <i>Public Health Act 2016</i> .

CONSULTATION

Key stakeholder consultation has been initiated and communications with State and regional agencies will be ongoing to inform the annual reviews of the objectives and reports to the Department of Health.

Next Steps

Should the Council endorse the plan it will be published in accordance with Section 46 of the *Public Health Act 2016*, which is to make the plan available to the public in whatever form the Shire determines free of any charge.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**Financial**

There are not out of budget costs for Council endorsing the PHP. However, there will be ongoing in-house cost associated with annually reviewing, and reporting to the Department of Health and where there is consultation and engagement with key agencies, stakeholders and community.

Workforce

Minimal

10. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

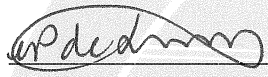
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11. NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE

12. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS OF BUSINESS

13. CLOSURE

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5.17pm


Presiding Member

29-07-2026
Date

