

9th July 2004

Items of Interest

1. Integrated Wood Processing Plant

A meeting of the Integrated Wood Processing Plant Reference Group was held on Thursday. The Reference Group Meetings will now be chaired by Mr Alan Mulgrew who is a current Board Member of Western Power. Now that additional funding has been found, Western Power is committed to take the Plant to the 'proof of concept' stage.

Further construction will begin shortly and it is anticipated that the first biomass will be processed early in the new year. Once operational it will produce 13 tonnes of activated carbon and over 2,000L of eucalyptus oil per week, along

with one megawatt of power.

2. drumMuster Collection

It is proposed to have a drum collection day on Tuesday 20th July 2004. Arrangements will be the same as on previous occasions where anyone wishing to deliver drums is asked to contact the office to book a time.

3. APB Zone Control Authority

Notification has been received from the Agricultural Protection Board that Cr Andrew Borthwick has been endorsed as a new member of the Narrogin Zone Control Authority (ZCA). The ZCA meetings will be held twice a year and may be held in conjunction with the wider District Consul-

tative Groups commissioned by the Department of Agriculture.

4. CBH Meeting

Some Councillors met with representatives from CBH. The purpose was to discuss a number of items including the upgrade of Nomans Lake Siding Receiving Point. CBH has identified Nomans as a 'Primary Site' (previously a Strategic Site) and plans are underway for its expansion in the next five years. Also discussed was the Narrogin Receiving Point. It will be maintained at its existing level for the time being. With regard to the concrete at Highbury, disposed of at the time of the removal of the old bin, it was agreed that the Shire obtain a full costing of the disposal expense.

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Special points of interest:

? Council Meeting
15th July at 9.30 am.

? Budget Meeting - to be advised.

Works Unit News

5. Resignation—Pat Steinbacher

Pat Steinbacher has tendered his resignation from his position as Shire Technical Officer. Pat has accepted a position of Deputy Shire Engineer at the Shire of Bridgetown.

Pat will finish up in late August and will have served with us for more than three year's.

6. Shoulder Grading

The shoulder grading program has commenced following some decent rain. The team started on the Piesseville Tar-

wonga Road today.

7. Drainage & Culverts

The wet conditions this week has identified areas that required drainage and culvert cleanouts. The Excavator is currently east of Narrogin working on priority areas.