

27th May 2005

## Items of Interest

### 1. Storm Damage

The possibility of obtaining financial assistance for works associated with the cleanup after the recent storms is still unclear. FESA is asking for Councils to identify their costs so that they can be collated and given to the State Government. Hopefully some assistance will be forthcoming, which could give us confidence to proceed to a more thorough cleanup of the vegetation that is still laying on the road verges.

### 2. Elected Member Development

Councillors are reminded that a module of the Elected Member Development Program will be held at the Town of Narrogin on the 14th June. This

module is the first in a series and provides an introduction to becoming a Councillor. Cr Ballard has nominated at this stage, so if anyone else is interested, please let the Office know.

### 3. ATO Audit

The Council was the subject of an Australian Taxation Office GST Audit on Monday 16th May, 2005.

Officers from the ATO reviewed transactions over the period of September 2004 and generally looked at Council's procedures for handling GST and submission of BAS statements.

No adverse comments were expressed at the time and the Officers appeared to be happy with our procedures.

### 4. Rural Addressing

The rural addressing project has been ongoing for some time, but is now coming close to being completed. The Dept of Land Information has allocated a rural number to each property with a building. There are a few more stages to go through before it is complete.

### 5. Private Work—CEO

The Department of CALM is having some private work done to seal access roads to its Offices off Hough Street. The CEO has contracted the Narrogin Works Unit to seal the driveway to his house off Bottlecreek Place in conjunction with the CALM works. A quote has been prepared for the CEO and the works are being done under normal commercial arrangements.

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Special points of interest:

? Elected Member Development Course  
14th June

? June Ordinary Meeting, 16th June at  
9.30 am.

## Works Unit News

### 5. Current Roadworks

Following the recent storms the Works Unit Staff were out for four days carrying out cleanup tasks. The maintenance graders have been working since then with the balance of the crew on private works.

### 7. Construction Jobs.

With the wet weather upon us, construction work will start to taper off. However there is still some more gravel carting to do on Nomans Lake Siding Road to finish that job. In addition headwalls will be in-

stalled on the new culverts on Cooraminning Road. A replacement culvert is also to be installed on Katta Road at the start of the Water Corporation reserve. This will be started before the Works Manager goes on leave on the 2nd June.