

BREWARRINA SHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Submission for Ordinary Meeting held on 30 June 2011

TITLE:	Brewarrina Shire Screening and Immunisation	DOC REF: Item H1-6
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REPORT BY:	Director Corporate and Community Services Lynn Moore	DATE: 24/6/2011
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ATTACHMENTS:

Tabled report from Brewarrina Community Health

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**STAFF PROTECTION – INFECTIOUS DISEASES**

An investigation by Director Corporate Services revealed that staff currently working Child Care and subsequently Water and Sewerage areas were not vaccinated against Hepatitis etc. Discussion took place with Judy Caswell from Brewarrina Community Health. The department needed to complete a health check within the community and the people they usually missed were council employees – as they are always working!

There was an opportunity for the staff to be immunized for free if they were happy to have a health review at the same time. Several weeks of discussing the issues with the staff resulted in 22 participants being vaccinated for Flu, Tetanus, Diphtheria and Whooping Cough, along with 3 workers starting the vaccination for Hepatitis.

Checks were completed for blood pressure, diabetes and BMI. Several were referred to the local GP for further check ups. (All confidential information).

The driving force behind this was to increase the awareness of staff health, reduction in staff leave due to illness and protection for staff from dangerous diseases. To this end it was a success with thanks to the staff of Brewarrina Community Health Judy Caswell, Elizabeth Marret Helen Ferguson, Daniel Kelly, Alice Gordon, Donna Goodrum, Michelle Hall, and Brewarrina Shire Council -Mick Pederson and Lionel Leigo.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. The Brewarrina Shire Screening and Immunisation Report be received as information.

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