

BREWARRINA SHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda Submission for Ordinary Meeting held on 30th June 2011

TITLE:	Funding Agreement National Rural and Remote Infrastructure Fund – Late Report	DOC REF: Item 37
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REPORT BY:	Belinda Colless Economic Development Officer	DATE: 29 June 2011
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ATTACHMENTS:

Nil

SUMMARY

Wednesday, 29 June 2011, Council received an e-mail from Rural Health Department of Health & Ageing with the attached draft National Rural & Remote Health Infrastructure Program funding agreement between the COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA as represented by the Department of Health and Ageing (ABN 83 605 426 759) and BREWARRINA SHIRE COUNCIL (ABN 22 664 205 362) for Barwon River Medical Centre Renovation & Improvements Project.

Department of Health and Ageing requests that Council review the document and provide comments to the Department within 10 business days of receipt of the email.

Following the inclusion of agreed changes, the amended formal agreement will be provided to Council for execution in a timely manner.

DISCUSSION

Department of Health and Ageing have indicated their desire to have contracts executed as soon as possible.

Council staff are requesting minor amendments to the documentation.

Council's next Ordinary meeting is scheduled to be held on 22nd July 2011.

Council can resolve to delegate execution of the revised contract when the Department of Health and Ageing and Council are satisfied with the draft changes.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Council has included \$394,000 in the 2011/12 budget to cover this project

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Council will need to comply with the **National Rural & Remote Health Infrastructure Program funding agreement** and adhere to reporting milestones as set out in the contract. Council will be responsible for and breach of contract or the unspecified acquittal of funds unless first approved by the Department of Health and Ageing.

RECOMMENDATION:

That:

Council resolves to delegate execution of the National Rural & Remote Health Infrastructure Program funding agreement between the

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA as represented by the Department of Health and Ageing (ABN 83 605 426 759) and BREWARRINA SHIRE COUNCIL (ABN 22 664 205 362) for Barwon River Medical Centre Renovation & Improvements Project, to the General Manager, following inclusion of minor amendments.

Glenda Tasker
General Manager