



Plant & Property Committee

**Tuesday
20th August 2013**
**(immediately following the Works & Planning
meeting scheduled at 1pm)**

Members: Cr J Crighton (Chairman)
Cr J Dwyer
Cr P Dwyer
Cr R Howard
Cr M Ireson
Cr R McGrath
Cr M Rutledge
Cr R (Bill) Sheaffe

AGENDA

1. Mini Street Sweeper Purchase

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GENERAL MANAGER

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C1 – Mini Street Sweeper Purchase

REPORTING OFFICER	Aaron Drenovski - Director of Technical Services
ATTACHMENTS	Photos
RELEVANCE TO STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN	6.2 Liveable and vibrant community <i>6.2.2 Our Community is Vibrant</i> 6.2.2.1 Enhance the atmosphere of the main street and public areas 6.5 Our Infrastructure <i>6.5.1 Our community can rely on well-maintained infrastructure that is responsive to our service needs</i> 6.5.1.2 Within available sources ensure all assets and infrastructure are effectively maintained to industry and community standards
FINANCIAL IMPLICATION	Capital Purchase \$13,500
LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATION	Nil
POLICY IMPLICATION	Nil

INTRODUCTION

The appearance of our Main Street and public areas is a critical aspect of the tourist experience in Hay as well as the liveability we provide to our community. We currently direct approximately 15 man hours a week towards manual hand sweeping of the CBD (and other areas when required). The purchase of a second hand mini street sweeper will undertake the same works along with sweeping the CBD footpaths in a fraction of the time (5-6hrs a week).

COMMENTARY

Investigations at the start of the month on Plant and Equipment Auction websites provided a Green Machines 636 air sweeper at the Manheim Auctions Group in Melbourne. The machine was a 2007mdl with 9,500hrs and a reserve of \$20,000. A quote was obtained for the purchase of a new Green Machines 636 which was in excess of \$130,000. The purchase of a new mini street sweeper could not be justified based on the hours of use we would have.

A number of phone calls were made to determine whether a Green Machines 636 would be suited to the work required to be undertaken at Hay. It was found that the Wagga Wagga City Council's previous Green Machines 636 mini sweeper was at an auction house with a reserve of \$13,500. The machine in question was a 2009mdl with 4,700hrs. The Council Mechanic and Director of Technical Services visited the Wagga Wagga City Council Depot and spoke to the Mini Sweeper operators and saw their new machine in operations. Based on the capabilities of the machine and

the current age, operating hours and condition of the machine at Rundles Auctions the mini sweeper was purchased on 8 August for the sum of \$13,500.

Three staff members were trained in operating the mini street sweeper on 14-15 August and it will be put into operation following the training. The man hours saved by mechanising the CBD street sweeping operations will be directed towards the presentation/cleanliness of the public toilets, bbqs, bins and public provided facilities. Following are two photos showing the mini street sweeper in action.



RECOMMENDATION

That the report be noted.