

Attention Linda Johnson

Thank you for the email sent to the Elected Members regarding the Parking Fees from the Guilderton Parking Meters and understand your concern regarding this matter.

To be clear Council was always accounting for the revenue in what is called a Restricted Cash account. Where the confusion and issue came from is that officers were allocating the required amount under the conditions of the grant agreement into the restricted account and as there was no resolution of Council to allocate the remaining income this went to general revenue. Please note that this has occurred since the inception of the Meters and once this was discovered Council resolved the matter by creating the cash backed reserve account and allocating the future funds within a resolution of Council and resolved to back pay the reserve over the next couple of periods.

The issue, although regrettable has been amended to Councils original intent, in that all income from the meters less the operational cost of the meters and not including fines, has been resolved formally and the Elected Members are aware and committed to the financial obligation to be paid to the reserve and all future revenue. For more information regarding the financial allocations and commitment you can contact Mr Les Crichton Executive Manager of Corporate and Community Services.

In regards to the foreshore I am aware that you have been liaising with Yvette regarding the Public Toilets and renovation works that are to occur in this space within this budget. These works are a stopgap until the foreshore redevelopment is designed and funded. It is expected that this will take several years to consult with the community, prepare designs and have costings prepared and then potentially several more years to seek funding for the works, depending on grants. The Guilderton Community will be consulted in the design and funding phase of the project and I would expect that a Working Group would be formed, similar to what occurred for the Gingin Outdoor Activity Space to see the project to its conclusion. Whilst I would like to establish the working group now it is potentially to soon until the matters below are resolved.

Where we are at currently is that Council is resolving the Lot Boundaries currently with the Department and working through the lay of the Septic/Sewer lines. For further information regarding these actions you can contact Mr Bob Kelly the Executive Manager of Development and Regulatory Services.

As you would be aware the Guilderton Store and Café has new tenants and over the next few months there will be significant works undertaken to upgrade the facilities. This is expected to be a positive development for Guilderton community and tourism.

Again thank you for your email and I trust that this clarifies that what occurred and Council resolve to fix this error.

Aaron Cook