



## SALEYARDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

# MINUTES

### SECTION 5.9(2)(a) LGA 1995

#### Committee Brief

- *Make recommendations to the Council regarding the strategic direction of the Saleyards;*
- *Make recommendations to the Council regarding the Environmental Action Plan for the Saleyards;*
- *Bring to the attention of the Chief Executive Officer, industry matters regarding the cattle industry that may not be readily available to persons external to that industry;*
- *Make recommendations to the Council regarding development works on the site;*
- *Make recommendations to the Council regarding the Saleyards Annual Budget; and*
- *Monitor the performance of the Saleyards and report back to the Council.*

A meeting of the Saleyards Advisory Committee  
was held in the Committee Room,  
Lowood Road, Mount Barker WA 6324  
12.30pm Tuesday 28 June 2022.

Cameron Woods  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

#### Committee Members

Cr J Oldfield, Cr B Bell, Cr L Handasyde and Cr M O'Dea - 178/21

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**Membership**

Cr L Handasyde (Presiding Member)

Cr J Oldfield

Cr B Bell

Cr M O'Dea

Cr A Fraser (Deputy for any member)

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**1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS**

12.30pm The Presiding Member declared the meeting open.

**2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES**Members Present

Cr L Handasyde – Presiding Member  
Cr B Bell  
Cr M O’Dea  
Cr J Oldfield

Staff

Mr J Fathers, Deputy Chief Executive Officer  
Mr G Moore, Saleyards Manager  
Mrs E Henderson, Assistant Saleyards Manager

**3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Moved Cr M O’Dea, seconded Cr J Oldfield**

**That the Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Saleyards Advisory Committee, held on 24 May 2022 as circulated, be taken as read and adopted as a correct record.**

**CARRIED**

**4 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

Nil

## 5 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

### 5.1 MANAGER'S REPORT – MAY 2022

#### ACTIONS FROM AGENTS' MEETINGS

Elders has requested that a disabled parking bay be marked in the carpark. I have had discussions with the Executive Manager Works and Services and he advised me of some requirements with disabled parking bays and an estimated cost of approx. \$2,500.00 for that department to do the works.

Elders also indicated that, in their opinion, a strip of curbing approximately 100mm high and 40 metres long running between the bull pens and the Western pens is a trip hazard and OSH concern for them. This hasn't previously been identified as an issue. This curb actually acts as a retaining wall or step for the 2 different floor levels. It is suggested that the curbing could be painted in yellow / black hazard stripes to more clearly delineate it, although it is not considered warranted.

No actions required from meetings with Nutrien and West Coast Livestock agents.

#### CAPITAL WORKS/BUDGET ITEMS OUTSTANDING

##### 3 Dirt Pens

As reported at the last meeting, the awarded contractor is still awaiting the arrival of the steel.

##### Irrigator

We have identified and received quotes for a replacement paddock irrigator, but will hold off for now. Funds to be retained in the budget in case it is required.

##### Ablution Block

Tree removal has been done and earth works, and drainage work commenced on Monday 20 June 2022.

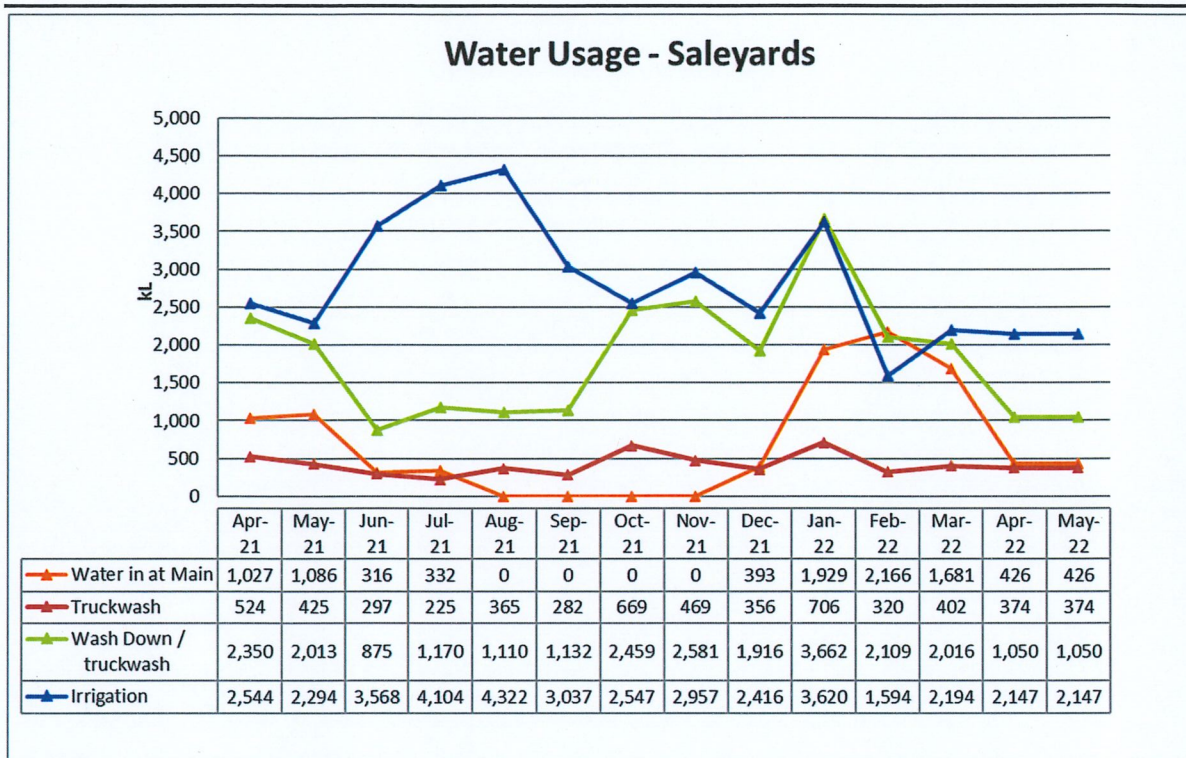
#### ALMA CONFERENCE

The CEO has approved the attendance of the Saleyards Manager at the 2022 ALMA Expo in July and training day in Cairns. The Assistant Manager has also requested approval to attend which is under consideration and will depend on if the sale for that week can be called off.

#### Cattle Mortality Statistics

2016/2017	45
2017/2018	62
2018/2019	41
2019/2020	48
2020/2021	29
2021/2022 (to date)	25

The latest water usage graph is shown below:



**VOTING REQUIREMENTS**

Simple Majority

**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION / COMMITTEE DECISION**

*During discussion, members considered that the disabled carpark would be appropriate given the regular visitation by disabled members of the public. Members further noted the view of the administration that the issue raised by an agent in respect to a potential trip hazard is not deemed any more of a hazard than normal kerbing that could be encountered anywhere.*

*Cr O'Dea advised the Committee that she would not be renominating for the Australian Livestock Markets Association. The Presiding Member thanked Cr O'Dea for her valuable contribution to that board over the last five years.*

**Moved Cr B Bell, seconded Cr M O'Dea**

**That the report of the Saleyards Manager, relating to current activities at the Mount Barker Regional Saleyards, be received.**

**CARRIED**

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**5.2 SALEYARDS FINANCIAL REPORT – 31 MAY 2022**

**File No:** CA/126/1  
**Responsible Officer:** Cameron Woods  
Chief Executive Officer  
**Author:** John Fathers  
Deputy Chief Executive Officer  
**Proposed Meeting Date:** 28 June 2022

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**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to review the financial position of the Mount Barker Regional Saleyards for the period ending 31 May 2022.

**STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT**

There are no statutory implications for this report.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no policy implications for this report.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

This report identifies the current operating position of the Saleyards.

**STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

There are no strategic implications for this report.

**OFFICER COMMENT**

A spreadsheet showing the 31 May 2022 position of operating and capital budget items is attached for information.

Overall operating expenditure is \$805,331.59. This is \$34,979.41 below the YTD budget.

There has been expenditure totalling \$193,366.48 on capital budget items to date, including new lawnmower, pump shed controller, additional wash down tank, bitumen repairs, repairs to scanners and a deposit on the staff canteen/ablutions block.

Operating income is \$694,957.64, which is \$70,689.36 below YTD budget, with sale fees being \$77,147.42 under budget.

**VOTING REQUIREMENTS**

Simple Majority

**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION / COMMITTEE DECISION**

**Moved Cr B Bell, seconded Cr J Oldfield**

**That the report of the Deputy Chief Executive Officer, relating to the current financial position of the Mount Barker Regional Saleyards, be received.**

**CARRIED**

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**6 GENERAL BUSINESS****6.1 UWA INVESTIGATION – WASTE WATER TREATMENT**

The presentation from Dr Liah Coggins was received on 24 May 2022. Members agreed to consider the matters raised and explore a course of action at the June meeting. The UWA report will be uploaded to the portal for information.

*During discussion, the Committee considered it appropriate to progress on a step by step basis with investigations into the recommendations in the report. It was agreed to initially to focus on the recommendation at page 8 of the report which indicates that some testing should be done to ascertain the settling characteristics, time-to-spadaability and clogging characteristics of the manure.*

*The administration was requested to ask UWA if there are defined tests which the Shire's water analyst could carry out, or otherwise how that testing can be progressed.*

**7 NEXT MEETING**

TBA.

**8 MEETING CLOSURE**

1.13pm The Presiding Member declared the meeting closed.

**CONFIRMED: PRESIDING MEMBER** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_