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4.3 NOTICE OF MOTION - GRANTS OFFICER REPORT & ANALYSIS

RECORD NUMBER: 2025/194

I, CR TAMMY GREENHALGH wish to move the following Notice of Motion at the Council Meeting of 18 February 2025:

MOTION

That Council request staff to prepare a report outlining the following:

- a) A summary of grants applied for in the last financial year, including:
 - The number of applications submitted.
 - The success rate of those applications.
- b) A comparative analysis of grant success rates with other councils in our region and councils of a similar size.
- c) An assessment of whether the appointment of a dedicated Grants Officer or grant writer would improve Council's grant application outcomes and overall funding opportunities.

BACKGROUND

To remain financially sustainable, it is more imperative now than ever to ensure we are securing every available funding opportunity to reduce reliance on ratepayer contributions and avoid the need for a Special Rate Variation (SRV).

Understanding our current grant application performance and benchmarking against similar Councils will provide valuable insights. Further, assessing the potential benefit of a dedicated Grants Officer will help determine if additional resources could improve Council's ability to secure funding and deliver essential projects for our community.

Signed Cr Tammy Greenhalgh

STAFF COMMENT

Access to Comparative information will be dependent on other Councils being willing to share their information, however we are committed to attempting to gain all the relevant information where possible.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCING IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil