

REPORTS TO OSCAR General Meeting 23 April 2026

6. Financial Report

6.1 Treasurer's Report:

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This report is for the period 22 March - 20 April 2026

Cash Balance 22 March 2026		\$1707.12
Receipts:	\$ 60.00	
Payments:	\$ 62.10	(\$2.10)
Cash Balance 20 th April 2026		\$ 1705.02

Receipt Details:

Organisation Memberships \$60
Individual Memberships from: \$0

Payment Details:

\$62.10 Office of Fair Trading – Annual return fee

6.2 Accounts for payment:

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2026 - 2027 Annual Subs \$60 (\$10 individuals) are payable from July 2026.

Standing Agenda items

- a) **SC Airport & Community Aviation Forum** – it is understood that the Airport is looking for a builder to construct the Airport Hotel
- b) **SEQCA** – Topics discussed:
 - Bio-Regional planning
 - SEQRP
 - Sunshine Coast Waterways Bill and Parliamentary hearing
 - Letter of support request for Save Victoria Park re Stadium for Olympics
- c) **Transport: TMR/SIG** – further follow-up needed.
- d) **2025-26 Planning Scheme** – no further advice from SCRC
- e) **Coochin Creek Tourist Park and Music Festival Site Ministerial Call-ins.** A report on the Conditions ("Minor Change") request will be included in the next Update.

Biosphere Update – Biosphere Award nominations applications can be made until 4 May 2026. For application categories and process go to: <https://www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/living-and-community/awards-and-citizenship/sunshine-coast-biosphere-awards/>

There are many benefits associated with living in our Sunshine Coast Biosphere. (SCRC website)

- **Lifestyle** - ensures we continue to have a healthy environment and thriving community.
- **Environment** - continues to maintain and enhance our landscape and character, biodiversity, waterways, wetlands, and coastal areas
- **Economy and business** - attracts more investment to our region and helps local business grow through the creation of niche markets for our region's products and services, facilities and practices.

- **Agriculture, forestry and fisheries** - showcases our regions local growers, producers, products and their commitment to sustainable practices.
- **Development and construction** - supports planning principles of urban consolidation and sustainable design to deliver inclusive and vibrant communities.
- **Partnerships** - increases collaboration between schools, academia, business and government with a focus on sustainability projects.
- **Tourism** - raises the profile of the Sunshine Coast and increases the desirability of our region as a holiday destination (domestically, abroad and to new market segments).

- f) **Parklakes P&E Court** - This appeal is being case-managed by His Honour Judge Williamson – next Review 8 June 2026
- h) **2032 Olympics** – request from SEQCA requesting support for Brisbane Residents in relation to the construction of a Stadium on Victoria Park.
- i) **Council updates**

Sunshine Coast Regional Council Dark Sky Reserve process

Vital step in region’s Dark Sky Reserve journey - The Sunshine Coast hinterland could soon be home to an internationally recognised Dark Sky Reserve, protecting our precious starry skies for the future.

The Sunshine Coast is a major step closer to protecting its starry future, with Sunshine Coast Council applying for international designation to establish a Dark Sky Reserve in the Sunshine Coast hinterland.

At Council’s March Ordinary Meeting, Councillors endorsed the application and adopted the Sunshine Coast Dark Sky Reserve Lighting Management Plan for the proposed reserve area.

The proposed reserve area would encompass almost 900 square kilometres in the Mary River Catchment and adjoining national parks in our local government area, where the Blackall Range naturally shields this area from skyglow from surrounding more populated areas.

Find out more about the [Dark Sky Reserve project](#) on Council’s website.

Noosa Shire Council

Noosa Tourism Plan released – ***For the love of Noosa***

What is Noosa’s Draft Destination Management Plan?

As Noosa’s popularity continues to grow, so do the pressures on our environment, infrastructure, and community wellbeing.

To ensure tourism remains a positive force for our region, Noosa Council is developing a community-led Destination Management Plan (DMP). This long-term strategy puts community values and environmental care at the heart of the visitor economy.

You can read the draft DMP in the documents library. There are also a series of Fact Sheets that explore some of the key issues in more detail.

See the new Plan at: <https://yoursay.noosa.qld.gov.au/en/projects/draft-destination-management-plan-for-noosa-shire>

j) **State Government –SEQ Regional Plan/ Shaping SEQ-** Groups are encouraged to visit <https://www.planning.qld.gov.au/planning-framework/plan-making/regional-planning/south-east-queensland-seq-regional-plan-under-review> and register interest in receiving updates. Opportunity for preliminary Have Your Say comments but there is no time-line for formal consultation.

What have our respective Councils advised the State Government re changes they want to see in the SEQRP. Have ratepayers and community groups been updated on Council's recommendations/suggestions to the State?

As transparency has long been an important governance issue for Local Government – should OSCAR members propose a motion?

The OSCAR executive will report on this over the next week or so.

k) **OSCAR Executive Report** and motions for consideration:

- i. Write letter to TMR re SIGs – see above
- ii. Olympics – OSCAR seek meeting with the Mayor and Debra Robinson re Olympics
- iii. Draft Conflict of Interest Policy and Draft Social Media Policy discussed –some further refinement/examples being done.
- iv. Locations for future face to face meetings – June – Peregian Springs, August and October TBD
- v. Empowering Local Government Legislation –walks back some of the previous changes made following the Belcarra Report
- vi. Current representatives to various SCRC and State Government CRGs and CAG