Item 6: Notices of Motion or Rescission

6.1 Rural Road Inspection for Councillors

NOTICE OF MOTION LISTED BY CR PERCY THOMPSON TO 19 MAY 2021 ORDINARY MEETING GOV400088,

MOTION

That Council organise a bus trip for Councillors to inspect the condition of rural unsealed roads in our region, in particular, Lower Piambong Road with a view of increasing the rural road maintenance funding in the management plan.

Background

Lower Piambong Road, as well as many other unsealed roads in our region, is currently in an atrocious state. Council needs to make sure there is enough funding allocated in the Management Plan to allow for more maintenance and gravelling of the unsealed roads in the region.

Officer's comments

A report to Council in August 2017 highlighted that funding for gravel grading and resheeting were below desirable levels.

Recently parts of Lower Piambong Road have been graded with the remainder of the road scheduled for completion over the next two weeks. Gravel resheeting of the road is scheduled for next financial year.

A section of 2km between Lesters Lane and Upper Piambong Road is also scheduled for seal extension work next financial year.

The condition of our gravel network has generally improved following several years of drought, however there are isolated roads such as Lower Piambong which are in poor condition.