



AGENDA

INFRASTRUCTURE, COMMUNITY AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

16 OCTOBER 2017

MEMBERSHIP: Councillors B Shields, J Diffey, V Etheridge, D Grant, D Gumley, A Jones, S Lawrence, G Mohr, K Parker and J Ryan

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In accordance with provisions of Section 9 (2A) of the Local Government Act 1993 the General Manager is of the opinion that consideration of this item is likely to take place when the meeting is closed to the public for the following reason: information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it (Section 10A(2)(d)(i)).

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The Committee had before it the report dated 9 October 2017 from the Director Infrastructure and Operations regarding Tender for Sewer Maintenance Cleaning and CCTV Reporting 2017/2018.

In accordance with provisions of Section 9 (2A) of the Local Government Act 1993 the General Manager is of the opinion that consideration of this item is likely to take place when the meeting is closed to the public for the following reason: information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it (Section 10A(2)(d)(i)).

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The Committee had before it the report dated 22 September 2017 from the Manager Recreation and Open Space regarding Tender for the Supply and Installation of an Amenity Block for Dubbo Regional Botanic Garden.

In accordance with provisions of Section 9 (2A) of the Local Government Act 1993 the General Manager is of the opinion that consideration of this item is likely to take place when the meeting is closed to the public for the following reason: information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it (Section 10A(2)(d)(i)).

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The Committee had before it the report dated 5 October 2017 from the Manager Recreation and Open Space regarding Tender for the Construction of Landform and Pathways at Dubbo Regional Botanic Garden Playground.

In accordance with provisions of Section 9 (2A) of the Local Government Act 1993 the General Manager is of the opinion that consideration of this item is likely to take place when the meeting is closed to the public for the following reason: information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it (Section 10A(2)(d)(i)).

ICARC17/12 TENDER FOR THE DESIGN, SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF SPORTS LIGHTING FOR VICTORIA PARK NO. 2 (ID17/1748)

The Committee had before it the report dated 4 October 2017 from the Sporting Asset Coordinator regarding Tender for the Design, Supply and Installation of Sports Lighting for Victoria Park No. 2.

In accordance with provisions of Section 9 (2A) of the Local Government Act 1993 the General Manager is of the opinion that consideration of this item is likely to take place when the meeting is closed to the public for the following reason: information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it (Section 10A(2)(d)(i)).

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The Committee had before it the report dated 9 October 2017 from the Manager Fleet Services regarding Tender for the Replacement of Plant Numbers 711, 712 & 2715 Three Dual Control 6x4 Garbage Collection Trucks.

In accordance with provisions of Section 9 (2A) of the Local Government Act 1993 the General Manager is of the opinion that consideration of this item is likely to take place when the meeting is closed to the public for the following reason: information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it (Section 10A(2)(d)(i)).

ICARC17/14 OUTCOME OF RELINING OF STORMWATER DRAINAGE PIPES TENDER DELEGATED TO THE GENERAL MANAGER (ID17/1675)

The Committee had before it the report dated 10 October 2017 from the Director Infrastructure and Operations regarding Outcome of Relining of Stormwater Drainage Pipes Tender Delegated to the General Manager.

In accordance with provisions of Section 9 (2A) of the Local Government Act 1993 the General Manager is of the opinion that consideration of this item is likely to take place when the meeting is closed to the public for the following reason: information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it (Section 10A(2)(d)(i)).



DUBBO REGIONAL
COUNCIL

REPORT: Restart NSW Funding Deed - Boundary Road Extension

AUTHOR: Director Infrastructure and Operations
REPORT DATE: 9 October 2017
TRIM REFERENCE: ID17/1426

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has been successful in attracting funding through the NSW State Government's Housing Acceleration Fund in the amount of \$4,000,000 to construct Stage 1 of the extension of Boundary Road from Wheelers Lane to Sheraton Road. Council is required to enter into a Deed of Agreement for the grant funding and where the execution of the Agreement requires the fixing of the Common Seal of the Council. This Deed of Agreement is therefore presented to Council to formally accept this grant.

ORGANISATIONAL VALUES

Customer Focused: The construction of the Boundary Road extension will serve to provide a significant improvement in road connectivity for the Keswick and Southlakes subdivisions and greatly improve accessibility to the school's precinct in Sheraton Road.

Integrity: Council has presented a thorough cost benefit analysis in its business case to the State Government which supports this project as being the highest priority for construction in the Dubbo Transportation Strategy to 2045.

One Team: The Boundary Road Extension Project has been endorsed by all Divisions of Council as being the highest priority transport network development project for Dubbo at the present time.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The Boundary Road Extension project is a two stage development of the greenfield construction of a new sub arterial connecting road between Wheelers Lane and Sheraton Road with a total cost estimate of \$9,133,249.

Stage 1 has cost estimate of \$4,344,080 with the project to be funded from monies held in restricted asset as approved in the 2017/2018 budget in combination with the Housing Acceleration Fund grant of \$4m.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That the funding offer of \$4,000,000 from the NSW State Government's Housing Acceleration Fund to construct the extension of Boundary Road, be accepted.**
- 2. That all necessary documents be executed under the Common Seal of the Council.**

Chris Devitt

Director Infrastructure and Operations

BACKGROUND

The construction of the extension of Boundary Road from Wheelers Lane to Sheraton Road is an integral transport servicing requirement for the development of the Keswick and Southlakes Estates and provides strategic linkages to developments in Sheraton Road including the school's precinct and the quarry at the southern end of Sheraton Road. The 1.6km of new road has a cost estimate of \$9.1m and is to be constructed over two stages, the first stage being from Wheelers Lane to Alexandrina Avenue. Due to the high cost of this project Council has been seeking grant funding through initiatives such as Resources for Regions, Building Better Regions but has been unsuccessful to date. Council has also entered into a Voluntary Planning Agreement with Alkane Resources in respect of the Dubbo Zirconia Project for capital contributions of \$2.3m over a ten year period given the likely housing accommodation requirements of this \$1.3bn project

Through approaches made to the Local State Member for Dubbo, Troy Grant, Council has received a grant offer of \$4m from the Minister for Planning, Anthony Roberts under the Housing Acceleration Fund with such announcement being made on site, on 9 June 2017.

REPORT

In order to receive infrastructure funding, Council is required to enter into a Deed of Agreement which is to be executed under the Common Seal of the Council and signed by the Mayor and General Manager. The Agreement contains details of Council's commitment as to the cost estimate and timeframe the project is to be completed within as well as the reporting requirements to keep the Minister informed as the project progresses. It will be a requirement that appropriate signage be erected on site recognising the source of the funding for the project.



REPORT: Exercising the Right to the Freedom of the City of Dubbo Parade - Temporary Road Closures

AUTHOR: Senior Traffic Engineer
REPORT DATE: 9 October 2017
TRIM REFERENCE: ID17/1762

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On 24 June 2007 Council granted the 313 (City of Dubbo) Squadron Air Force Cadets the Freedom to the City of Dubbo. At its Ordinary Meeting of Council held in July 2017, following a request from the Cadets, Council resolved that they could be permitted to exercise their right to the Freedom of the City on Saturday 18 November 2017. Council is the Organiser for the Freedom to the City of Dubbo Parade.

The Event encompasses on and off road activities incorporating two ceremonies, street parade between the Cenotaph and the Rotunda and temporary road closures in and along Church Street. The Event activities will predominately occur between 1.00pm and 3.00pm with general set up and pack down occurring from 6.00am to 4.00pm. Temporary road closures of variable times will be required of Darling Street, Carrington Ave, Brisbane Street and car parking spaces near the Rotunda and in Church and Darling Streets. Access will still be required in Darling Street to facilitate activities at the Dubbo Regional Theatre and Convention Centre and Victoria Park No. 1 Oval.

It is considered that there will be minimal disruption to the transport network and access within the locality for the short period of the road closures. The Event and Traffic Management plan is attached to the report.

It is recommended that temporary road closures and the allocation of on street parking spaces be approved to facilitate the 313 (City of Dubbo) Squadron Australian Airforce Cadets to exercise their right to the Freedom of the City of Dubbo on Saturday 18 November 2017 in accordance with Council's Plan TM 7152 attached to the report.

ORGANISATIONAL VALUES

Customer Focused: Approval for the conduct of the Freedom to the City of Dubbo is an important event in the recognition of the Councils traditional good will and support for inter organisational relationships within the Community.

Integrity: The approval meets all statutory requirements of other government agencies.

One Team: Not applicable

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The allocation of funds for the Freedom to the City of Dubbo Parade will be made from the Governance Fund.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATION TO THE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

It is recommended that Council approval be granted for the temporary road closure of Church Street and partial closure of the intersections with Darling Street, Carrington Avenue and Brisbane Street including the allocation of selective on street parking to facilitate the 313 (City of Dubbo) Squadron Australian Airforce Cadets to exercise their right of the Freedom to the City Parade as detailed on Council's Plan TM 7152.

LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

This matter was considered by the Local Traffic Committee by electronic means in accordance with Clause 5.3.1 of the RMS document "Delegation to Councils for the Regulation of Traffic". One concern was raised by the Roads and Maritime Service representative which has been addressed. The Committee had unanimous support in the adoption of the recommendation shown below.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council approval be granted for the temporary road closure of Church Street and partial closure of the intersections with Darling Street, Carrington Avenue and Brisbane Street including the allocation of selective on street parking to facilitate the 313 (City of Dubbo) Squadron Australian Airforce Cadets to exercise their right of the Freedom to the City Parade as detailed on Council's Plan TM 7152.

Dennis Valantine
Senior Traffic Engineer

REPORT

In March 2017 the 313 (City of Dubbo) Squadron Air Force Cadets approached Council requesting the opportunity to Exercise their right of the Freedom of the City, which was granted to them on 20 June 2007.

At its Ordinary meeting of Council held 24 July 2017 it was resolved:

- “1. That the 313 (City of Dubbo) Squadron Australian Airforce Cadets be permitted to exercise their right to the Freedom to the City of Dubbo on Saturday 18 November 2017.*
- 2. That Council take the necessary actions to facilitate such Freedom of the City.*
- 3. That any necessary documents be executed under the Seal of Council.”*

The Event recognises the 50th Anniversary of the Cadet Unit with the granting of the Freedom of Entry to the City that has been enacted for a number of centuries and being traditionally a sign of trust to allow armies the opportunity to rest within the City limits.

Council is the Event Organiser and has prepared a Special Event application with an Event Management Plan and associated documents for the consideration of the Local Traffic Committee.

Event Details

Date to be Held: Saturday 18 November 2017
Time: from 11am to 4pm (this will include set up and pack down)
Size of Event: approximately 150 – 200 people
Location: Cenotaph, Church Street Rotunda, Church Street, part Darling Street and Brisbane Street Roundabout

The event will be held between two locations commencing at the Cenotaph and involving a parade, blessing of the squadron’s new banner, a march along Church Street where the Squadron will be issued with a challenge by police at Brisbane Street and then continuing onto the Rotunda for the speeches and presentation of the new Scroll.

Event setup will begin at 11am where Council Staff will commence setting up the event at both the Cenotaph and Rotunda, road barricades will arrive in preparation for temporary road closure.

The formalities will start at 1.15pm where the officials, guests, cadets will be seated and form up on the Cenotaph. The Ceremony on the Cenotaph will take approximately 1 hour.

A short break in proceedings will occur at approximately 2.15pm where the Officials and Guest will be required to walk to the Church Street Rotunda, the Cadets will regroup and step off the Cenotaph onto Darling Street and march along Church Street to the Brisbane Street roundabout. This is where the Challenge will occur between Police and Cadets, once Cadets are allowed through they will continue to march to the Rotunda and form up on the pavers

adjacent to the Rotunda facing Macquarie Street, speeches and presentation of an updated scroll will occur and then the event will conclude.

It will be necessary to secure on street parking spaces at the end of Church Street adjacent to the Rotunda to allow for the Cadets to arrive and form up and ensure that there is no vehicular movement whilst the ceremony is underway.

Accordingly this event will require the temporary closure of a number of roads and traffic management, as follows:

The closure of 16 car parking spaces in Church Street and

Implementation of a temporary U-turn facility from 6.00am – 4.00pm

The closure of 11 car parking spaces adjacent to Council.

Civic Administration Building in Church Street to allow busses to park from 6.00am – 4.00pm

The closure of the Darling Street and Church Street intersection from 1.00pm – 2.45pm

The closure of Church Street from Darling Street to the Rotunda from 2.30pm – 3.00pm

The closure of the Church Street and Brisbane Street Intersection from 2.30pm – 2.45pm

The closure of Church Street and Carrington Avenue Intersections from 2.30pm – 2.45pm

A Traffic Control Plan (TCP) has been developed for the Event and is attached to the report as TM 7152.

On the same day there will be two other activities in the vicinity of Darling Street that will require access to parking facilities, Dubbo Regional Theatre and Convention Centre – Dubbo Theatre Company's Christmas Pantomime Show and local cricket at the No.1 Oval Victoria Park. Discussions have been undertaken with both the venues management/organisers on the restricted access arrangements. The closure of the Church and Darling Streets intersection will restrict through traffic in Darling Street but not access to the venues. The Darling Street road closure points will be strategically placed both north and south of the intersection of Church and Darling Streets at the existing centre median breaks to allow access to both of the facilities and enable U-turn movements to Talbragar Street or Wingewarra Street.

Communication

Council will forward correspondence in advance to all businesses and residents in Church Street including the cross streets, Darling Street, Carrington Avenue and Brisbane Street, to emergency services and Dubbo Radio Cabs advising of the event and temporary road closures, parking and access restrictions.

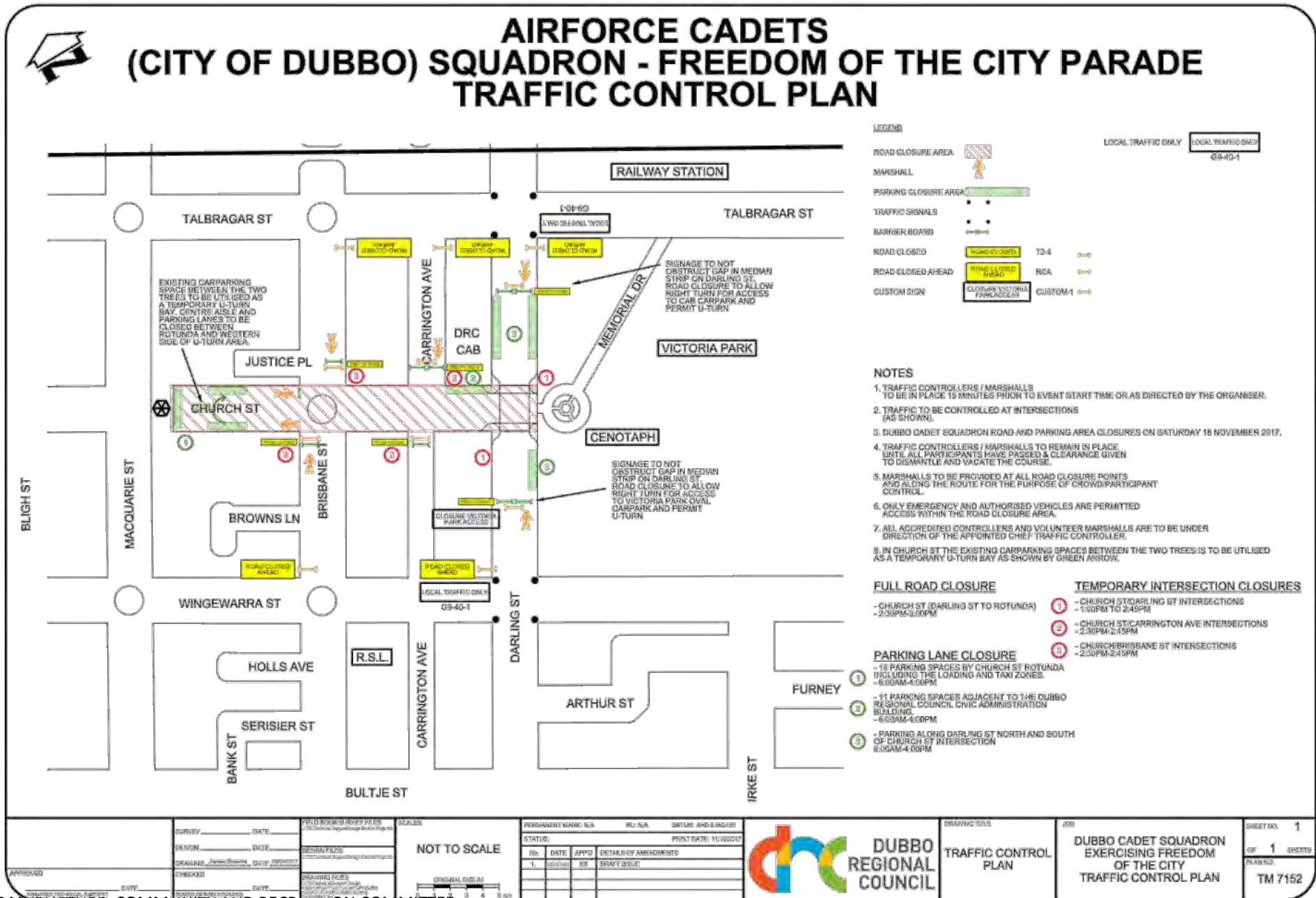
A public notice will also be placed in print media as required by the Roads (General) Regulation 2000. There will be notice of the event circulated in Media Releases, and on Council's Social Media.

The proposed event will have minimal impact on the road network given that the predominant road closures are over 15 min, 30 min and 1.5 hours. Some car parking will be unavailable in Church St between 6am and 4.00pm however there is still ample parking availability. There is a considered need to provide additional awareness of local traffic only in the cross through streets as the turnaround locations cannot support long vehicles.

In consideration of the matter it is recommended that Council approval be granted for the temporary road closures of Darling Street, Church Street, Carrington Avenue and Brisbane Street and use of selective on street parking spaces to facilitate the 313 (City of Dubbo) Squadron Australian Airforce Cadets – Freedom of the City event as detailed on Councils Plan TM 7152.

Appendices:

- 1 [↓](#) Traffic Control Plan - Airforce Cadets Squadron - Freedom of the City Parade



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TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN	DUBBO CADET SQUADRON EXERCISING FREEDOM OF THE CITY TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN

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PLAN NO.	TM 7152



DUBBO REGIONAL
COUNCIL

REPORT: Bodangora Community Benefit Fund

AUTHOR: Director Community and Recreation
REPORT DATE: 9 October 2017
TRIM REFERENCE: ID17/1764

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The former Wellington Council entered into a Planning Agreement with Infigen - Bodangora Wind Farm Pty Ltd., dated 1 March 2013. Contained within the agreement is detail surrounding 'Development Contributions.' Three streams of payments to Council are required and are identified as:

1. Community Benefit Fund
2. Road Maintenance
3. Project Related Council Administration and Observations.

The Community Benefit Fund is defined as \$50,000 paid per annum for 25 years, with 50% payable on 1 July and 50% payable on 5 January each year.

Council has received its first payment of \$50,000 and the matter was discussed at the Bodangora Wind Farm Community Consultation Committee (BWFCCC) held on 29 August 2017. The Consultation Committee agreed to a framework for the Community Benefit Fund as articulated in the proposed Bodangora Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund Round 1 Guidelines.

It was considered appropriate by the BWFCCC that the funding be treated as a community grant in a similar manner to the Stronger Communities – Community Grant Round although it is proposed to be restricted to the Wellington/Bodangora district. Given the community has been exposed to the guidelines of the Stronger Community Fund, the proposed Bodangora Community Benefit Fund Guidelines have used a similar format.

It is a recommendation of this report that only Round 1 be committed at this time to allocate funds to a community group grants program. Council may determine that future instalments of funds be allocated to community assets that require upgrading such as facilities identified in new master plans such as those for Cameron Park, Kennard Park, Rygate Park and Pioneer Park or an upgrade to the Wellington Civic Centre as something that the whole district would utilise.

ORGANISATIONAL VALUES

Customer Focused: The community benefit program provides to successful organisations funding which enables them to improve the quality of life for the Wellington/Bodangora community.

Integrity: All applications shall be considered in a transparent manner with regards to the funding criteria contained within the funding application. The independent probity advisor shall ensure Council is provided with recommendations for funding that are in accordance with the adopted guidelines.

One Team: Council is working with Infigen and community members of the Community Consultation Committee to create an equitable and transparent Round 1 grant funding program for the Wellington/ Bodangora district.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council has received the first instalment in July in accordance with the Planning Agreement which has been allocated to restricted assets to support the Bodangora Community Benefit Fund.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the report by the Director Community and Recreation, dated 16 October 2017, be noted.
2. That the guidelines for the Community Benefit Fund Round 1 be adopted, subject to incorporating any additional requirements as resolved by Council.
3. That the Fund Assessment Panel consist of:
 - Members of the Bodangora Wind Farm Community Consultation Committee (excluding any staff representative of Dubbo Regional Council) who are at the time of writing:
 - Ms Pip Smith
 - Mr Ian Rogan
 - Mr Cameron Tomkins
 - Mr Joe Mason
 - Mr Bob Sewell
 - Mr Simon Barton
 - Mr Brad Rodgers
 - Mr Tony Clark (Infigen)
 - Mr Stuart Black (Infigen)
 - The 2 Councillors of Dubbo Regional Council elected from the Wellington Ward
 - An independent probity advisor appointed by Council to advise the Panel on their deliberations and assessment process.
4. That the Fund Assessment Panel provide Council with its recommendations, via a report submitted to the Infrastructure, Community and Recreation Committee as to which bodies should receive funding and that subsequently Council determine the Community Benefit Fund allocation of funding.
5. That the Community Benefit Fund Round 1 process commence as soon as practicable after the October 2017 Ordinary meeting of Council.

Murray Wood

Director Community and Recreation

BACKGROUND

Council has an existing Planning Agreement with Bodangora Wind Farm Pty Ltd, entered into by the former Wellington Council. The Planning Agreement details development contributions required to be paid to Council. The details are illustrated in table 1 below.

Table 1: The Development Contributions

Allocation of Payments	Total Sum of Payments	Payment Schedule
Community Benefit Fund	\$1,250,000	\$50,000/year paid for 25 years with 50% payable on 1 July and 50% payable on 5 January each year.
Road Maintenance	\$625,000	\$25,000/year paid for 25 years with 50% payable on 1 July and 50% payable on 5 January each year.
Project Related Council Administration and Observations	\$250,000	\$10,000/paid for 25 years with 50% payable on 1 July and 50% payable on 5 January each year.

The proponent is not required to make any further ad hoc contributions to Council or the community under the terms of the agreement but may *“at its discretion make other donations for community purposes.”*

Within the agreement document there is no other descriptor nor detail provided as to what the Community Benefit Funds can be allocated to. Indeed the agreement states:

“This Agreement contains everything to which the Parties have agreed in relation to the matters it deals with. No Party can rely on an earlier document, or anything said or done by another Party, or by a director, officer, agent or employee of that Party, before this Agreement was executed except as permitted by law.”

REPORT

A meeting was held on 29 August 2017 at Wellington of the Bodangora Wind Farm Community Consultation Committee (BWFCCC). An agenda item for the independently chaired meeting was “The Community Benefit Fund.” The group sought a framework whereby the BWFCCC would be able to review proposed projects to be funded by the Fund. It was articulated by the Council representative, the Director Community and Recreation, that the Development Contributions were paid directly to Council so the BWFCCC could only make recommendations to Council as to how to allocate Council monies. An outcome of the meeting was that draft guidelines would be issued by the Director Community and Recreation to the BWFCCC for comment and subsequently a report would be submitted to Council for determination.

The draft Guidelines were submitted to the group via the independent chair and any feedback subsequently provided via the chair. The Draft Guidelines were endorsed by 11 September 2017. They are attached as **appendix 1** to this report.

The guidelines are based on the Stronger Communities Fund – Community Grants for which Council has previously undertaken significant publicity. Given there is still another round of the Stronger Communities Round to be rolled out, it was thought it would be easier for community members to be using a consistent set of guidelines criteria for the Community Benefit Fund.

The Guidelines articulate the process by which funding allocations shall be made by Council, with a proposed Fund Assessment Panel providing recommendations to Council in this regard. The Guidelines currently state:

“The Fund Assessment Panel shall use the defined criteria to assess and recommend to Council projects for funding. The panel is to include:

- *Members of the Bodangora Wind Farm Community Consultation Committee (excluding any staff representative of Dubbo Regional Council)*
- *2 Councillors of Dubbo Regional Council elected from the Wellington Ward*
- *An independent probity advisor appointed by Council to advise the Panel on their deliberations and assessment process.*
- *Other members appointed by Council as required.*

A report with the recommendations of the Fund Assessment Panel and a separate report from the Independent Probity Advisor shall be submitted to the Council meeting occurring immediately after the Fund Assessment Panel meeting.

Council shall consider the report of the Fund Assessment Panel and determine the applications that shall receive funding.”

The following paragraphs are an excerpt from the funding guidelines that articulate the grant funding criteria. They articulate funding criteria that is consistent with Council, Infigen and BWFCCC values and allow for a broad cross section of community interests.

To be successful for funding, community projects must meet the following criteria:

1. *Deliver social, cultural, economic or environmental benefits to local communities of the Wellington district.*
2. *Address an identified community priority*
3. *Demonstrate that any ongoing or recurrent costs of the project can be met by the community group once grant funding has been expended*
4. *The organisation must demonstrate the capacity to manage funds and deliver the project.*

The maximum grant allocation available per project nomination is \$10,000.

There can only be one application per organisation in Round 1.

Applications will be assessed by the Fund Assessment Panel established by Council.

Acquittal reporting on all funded requirements will be a requirement of grant acceptance.

All applicants will be notified of the outcome in writing.

The Fund Assessment Panel reserve the right not to approve funding if the project:

- *is salary, remuneration or profit based*
- *is for a single person*
- *is religious or political in nature*
- *requires ongoing funding for continuity*
- *supports beauty pageants or similar contests*
- *provides gambling or games of chance*
- *does not reflect community standards*
- *denigrates, excludes or offends minority groups*
- *degrades the natural environment.*

It should be noted that Planning Agreement provides no details as to how or what should be funded beyond the broad description of “Community benefit.” Whilst this report is recommending for Round 1 to be a community grants funding round, Council may consider allocating future contributions directly to community infrastructure with formal feedback sought from the BWFCCC as a means by which Council could measure community views.

Facilities in need of capital investment that are utilised by a broad cross section of the community in Wellington include:

- Rygate Park
- Pioneer Park
- Cameron Park
- Kennard Park
- Wellington Pool
- Wellington Civic Centre

Appendices:

- 1 [Bodangora Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund Round 1 Guidelines v 2](#)

Bodangora Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund

COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND 2017- GUIDELINES AND SUBMISSION DIRECTION

The Bodangora Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund has been created from Development Contributions arising from the Planning Agreement between Council and Infigen Bodangora Wind Farm Pty Ltd.

For the 2017 Round 1 the Community Benefit Fund shall provide grants to incorporated not-for-profit community groups for projects identified and assessed using an open call for applications.

To be successful for funding, community projects must meet the following criteria:

1. Deliver social, cultural, economic or environmental benefits to local communities of the Wellington district.
2. Address an identified community priority
3. Demonstrate that any ongoing or recurrent costs of the project can be met by the community group once grant funding has been expensed
4. The organisation must demonstrate the capacity to manage funds and deliver the project.

The maximum grant allocation available per project nomination is \$10,000.

There can only be one application per organisation in Round 1.

Applications will be assessed by the Fund Assessment Panel established by Council.

Acquittal reporting on all funded requirements will be a requirement of grant acceptance.

All applicants will be notified of the outcome in writing.

The Fund Assessment Panel reserve the right not to approve funding if the project:

- is salary, remuneration or profit based
- is for a single person
- is religious or political in nature
- requires ongoing funding for continuity
- supports beauty pageants or similar contests
- provides gambling or games of chance
- does not reflect community standards
- denigrates, excludes or offends minority groups
- degrades the natural environment.

HOW ARE THE PROJECTS TO BE ASSESSED?

The Fund Assessment Panel shall use the defined criteria to assess and recommend to Council projects for funding. The panel is to include:

- Members of the Bodangora Wind Farm Community Consultation Committee (excluding any staff representative of Dubbo Regional Council)
- 2 Councillors of Dubbo Regional Council elected from the Wellington Ward
- An independent probity advisor appointed by Council to advise the Panel on their deliberations and assessment process.
- Other members appointed by Council as required.

A report with the recommendations of the Fund Assessment Panel and a separate report from the Independent Probity Advisor shall be submitted to the Council meeting occurring immediately after the Fund Assessment Panel meeting.

Council shall consider the report of the Fund Assessment Panel and determine the applications that shall receive funding.

GRANT MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES

Should your organisation be successful in its application for funding?

Project Scope

As part of your grant application you provided Council with a project scope which includes timeframes and what is being 'purchased' with the funds. The scope must be achieved by the end of the project. It is not acceptable, without written consent of Council to change the scope of the project.

Any change of scope that is not approved by Council's General Manager may result in the original grant amount being reduced or cancelled requiring funds to be returned to Council.

Auspice

Projects may be auspiced through incorporated organisations. If the grant will be managed through an auspice arrangement then the relevant information must be submitted with the application and detailed within the funding agreement.

Use of Grant Funds

Grant funds may be used to leverage grants external to Council. The Bodangora Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund monies cannot be used in conjunction with existing or future Council grants.

Project Finances

Project finances are to be managed to ensure that the project is completed within the budget proposed. Any project costs above the budget provided in the application are the responsibility of the recipient organisation.

Council shall not provide additional funds towards the project other than the grant provided. Grant funds that are not expended on the project shall be returned to Council.

GST is to be treated in accordance with Australian Taxation Office rules.

Project grants are to be expended within 12 months of the grant being provided. Failure to do so without written permission may result in the original grant amount being reduced or cancelled requiring funds to be returned to Council.

Council reserves the right to conduct a financial audit of the project either during the project or on completion of the project.

Recognition

Recipient organisations are required to recognise Council and the Bodangora Wind Farm developer as the funding source on all media, promotional material and project signage. The text to be used is as follows:

“Bodangora Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund: Dubbo Regional Council & Infigen.”

Project Reporting and Acquittal

The recipient organisation is to report to Council via Council’s nominated Council Officer of the project monthly. The report should address:

1. Progress
2. Expenditure
3. Issues
4. Photographs showing progress/ completion of the project.

If there is no progress, then a simple telephone call or email to the nominated Council Officer identifying no progress and the reason is sufficient.

At the end of the project, the organisation is to complete the project acquittal form within 4 weeks of completion and provide it along with copies of receipts to Council. Where the project is via an auspice arrangement, the auspice organisation must provide the acquittal for each individual project. All receipts relating to the project grant are to be provided with the project acquittal.

Expenditure should match funding at the end of the project. Where it doesn’t comments must be provided on the acquittal as to why expenditure is less than or more than the original project budget.

Liability

Council and its officers, Infigen and its officers, members of the Bodangora Wind Farm Community Consultation Committee and other members of the Fund Assessment Panel shall not be responsible for any liabilities incurred or entered into by the recipient organisation as a result of, or arising out of that organisation's responsibilities under the Funding Agreement.

The recipient organisation shall indemnify the Council and its officers, Infigen and its officers, members of the Bodangora Wind Farm Community Consultation Committee and other members of the Fund Assessment Panel against any claim, demand, liability suit costs, expenses, action arising out of or in any way connected with the activities of the organisations or agents in consequence of the Funding Agreement except where the claim, demand, liability, costs or action are caused by the Council and its officers, Infigen and its officers, members of the Bodangora Wind Farm Community Consultation Committee and other members of the Fund Assessment Panel.

Public Liability Insurance may be required for your grant to be approved. If it wasn't submitted within the application then a Certificate of Currency shall be submitted prior to the project commencing.

Future Maintenance or Renewal

Unless agreed in writing at the time of funding approval Council has no obligations regarding ongoing maintenance or renewal of assets created by the project.



REPORT: Kennard Park Master Plan

AUTHOR: Manager Recreation and Open Space
REPORT DATE: 8 October 2017
TRIM REFERENCE: ID17/1763

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Kennard Park is a sporting venue located in South Wellington. The primary users of the facility are the Wellington Cowboys Senior Rugby League Club, Wellington Redbacks Rugby Union Club and Wellington Junior Rugby League Club.

Dubbo Regional Council, the primary stakeholders (identified above) and the Dubbo Regional Sports Council – Wellington worked collaboratively to initially develop a draft Kennard Park Master Plan. This master plan was then placed on public exhibition (2 – 30 August 2017) and the community given the opportunity to make further comment on the future development of the Complex. The aim of the Kennard Park Master Plan is to provide a strategic approach in the future development of the Complex.

ORGANISATIONAL VALUES

Customer Focused: The draft Kennard Park Master Plan was developed initially through extensive consultation with the primary stakeholders / user groups and the Dubbo Regional Sports Council – Wellington. The Master Plan was placed on public exhibition 2 to 30 August 2017 seeking further feedback to ensure that the needs of the broader community are met.

Integrity: Dubbo Regional Council has demonstrated its ongoing commitment to actively engage with our community in the development of the Kennard Park Master Plan.

One Team: The Recreation Coordinator, Sporting Asset Coordinator and Manager Recreation and Open Space have all contributed time and effort in meeting with the user groups on several occasions to facilitate the development of the Kennard Park Master Plan.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

At the present time there are no funds specially allocated in Council's forward budgets to progress the Kennard Park Master Plan. The adoption of the Kennard Park Master Plan will allow Council to seek funding through upcoming grant opportunities, and to request the \$200,000 previously announced by the Federal Member for Calare, Mr Andrew Gee MP, for the future development of the Complex (Wellington Times, 27 June 2016).

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the report from Manager Recreation and Open Space dated 8 October 2017 be noted.
2. That the draft Kennard Park Master Plan be adopted, with residents who made a submission through the public exhibition period be thanked for their contribution.
3. That Council write to the Federal Member for Calare, Mr Andrew Gee MP in regards to Council being allocated \$200,000 as previously announced to the community of Wellington for the improvement of the Kennard Park Complex.

Ian McAlister

Manager Recreation and Open Space

BACKGROUND

Kennard Park is a sporting venue located in South Wellington. The primary users of the facility are the Wellington Cowboys Senior Rugby League Club, Wellington Redbacks Rugby Union Club and Wellington Junior Rugby League Club.

Following an inspection of the facility by Dubbo Regional Council staff it was identified that Kennard Park was in a generally poor condition and needed a considerable amount of investment to bring it up to an acceptable standard. It was identified that this provided an opportunity to work collaboratively with the Wellington community to develop a master plan that once adopted, could assist in securing non-rate revenue for the future improvements to the facility.

Additionally it was seen that there were opportunities to encourage the general public to better utilise the area through the provision of improved recreational facilities including a fitness centre, playground and walking / fitness path around the perimeter of the ground. This supporting infrastructure has the potential to draw more people into this recreational complex and encourage a more active lifestyle that has positive and long lasting flow-on benefits to the health of the community. A further benefit on encouraging people into the space who are using responsibly and for the intended purpose is that it provides a higher degree of passive surveillance that usually results in a lower level of vandalism in the general area.

Following an initial meeting with the stakeholder clubs a draft master plan was developed and tabled at the Dubbo Regional Sports Council May 2017 General Wellington Meeting. This meeting was attended by representatives from Wellington Cowboys Senior Rugby League Club and Wellington Redbacks Senior Rugby Union Club as well as a number of other sporting organisations that don't utilise the facility directly but provided comment.

As a result of feedback received from the Sports Council meeting another meeting was held with the user groups with Ray Fabar - Wellington Cowboys Senior Rugby League Club, David Grant - Wellington Redbacks Senior Rugby Union Club and Louise Austin - Wellington Junior Rugby League Club attending. This meeting resulted in further changes to the draft Master Plan including:

- a further re-alignment of the perimeter fence
- the inclusion of an irrigated junior field and warm up area
- improved car-parking facilities
- a new amenity block on the eastern side
- scoreboard, and
- internal fencing to the football field itself

The revised Kennard Park Master Plan was tabled at the Dubbo Regional Sports Council Wellington General Meeting, held on the 11 July 2017, where it was subsequently endorsed with a note to further review the plan to see if it was possible to accommodate a second senior warm-up area for the visiting teams.

The draft Kennard Park Master Plan (CCL17/99) was presented at the July 2017 Council meeting recommending that it should go out on public exhibition for 28 days to allow the broader community to make comment on the proposed plans for the Complex. It was also recommended that following the close of the public exhibition a further report be presented to Council for consideration. These recommendations were adopted and the draft Kennard Park Master Plan was placed on public exhibition for 28 days (2 – 30 August 2017). A total of nine (eight external and one internal) submissions were received. These submissions were reviewed and, where appropriate, incorporated into the new draft Master Plan for Kennard Park.

REPORT

A draft Master Plan for Kennard Park was prepared through collaboration with the primary stakeholders (Wellington Cowboys Senior Rugby League Club, Wellington Redbacks Rugby Union Club and Wellington Junior Rugby League Club) of the facility. Following a report to Council in July 2017, and to enable the broader community, especially those residing in Wellington, to have input into the future development of the facility the draft Master Plan was placed on public exhibition for 28 days (2 – 30 August 2017). The draft Master Plan was publicly promoted through media outlets and also through a stall at the Wellington bicentenary celebrations held at Cameron Park on the 19 August 2017.

Following the close of the public exhibition period Dubbo Regional Council had received nine submissions, with eight of these being received from residents and one submission from Council's Infrastructure Strategy (stormwater) function.

In summary the following issues were raised:

Issue / Comment	Number
Amenities / Canteen – old and/or need to be repositioned to improve accessibility and safety	3
Need to retain the ability for cars to park around the perimeter of the field	3
Addition of bench seating around oval	2
Lack of storage facilities for sporting groups	1
Need to provide fencing around the playground	1
Request for an additional warm-up area	1
Extension of asphaltic carpark	1
Covered disabled car parking	1
Consideration for stormwater basins as part of the Apsley drainage network	1

As a result of the feedback received the following amendments have been made to the draft Master Plan for Kennard Park:

Amenities / Canteen

A new amenity block has been included on the western side of the oval, immediately north of the proposed asphaltic carpark. This amenity block would be linked through a path network that would comply with the Mobility and Access Australian Standard (AS 1428) to both to the concourse and the carpark.

A new amenity block is also shown on the eastern side of the ground that can service both the sporting facility and the passive parkland. This amenity block replaces the existing amenities that are in a poor condition.

Carparking around the Oval

It was not the intent of the original draft Master Plan to remove the carparking around the perimeter of the field.

This situation has been clarified with cars being shown on the revised draft Master Plan indicating that parking around the oval will be retained.

Addition of bench seating around the oval

To accommodate this request bench seating has been allowed for at either end of the field as well as the eastern side. The positioning of the bench seating has been chosen to make use of the height differential between spectators in their cars and those using the seating in an effort to enhance viewing opportunities and reduce potential conflict.

Lack of Storage Facilities for Clubs

This is related to the provision of a new amenity block on the western side of the oval. Once the new amenities are constructed the two existing amenity blocks can then be converted into additional storage for the Clubs.

Fencing around the playground.

Fencing has not been included around the proposed playground facility to prevent it from becoming a pseudo-daycare facility. Fencing of playgrounds enable parents and guardians of children to drop their wards off and leave them unattended on the belief that they are safe. By leaving the playground unfenced it encourages direct supervision of children by their parents and / or guardians. Only in exceptional circumstances, such as close proximity to high traffic flow areas, all-access playgrounds, etc., is playground fencing considered.

Inclusion of an additional warm-up area

Due to site constraints it has not been possible to include a separate second warm-up area. However the size of the Junior Field and Senior Warm-up Field has been maximised to accommodate warm-up areas for both senior sides.

Extension of the Asphaltic Carpark Area

The original draft Master Plan showed a much larger carpark on the western side of the oval behind the grandstand. This carpark was reduced following feedback from the stakeholders requesting the addition of the Junior Field / Senior Warm-up area. It is considered that the request to further enlarge the carpark cannot be accommodated without negatively impacting on this field.

Covered Disabled Carparking

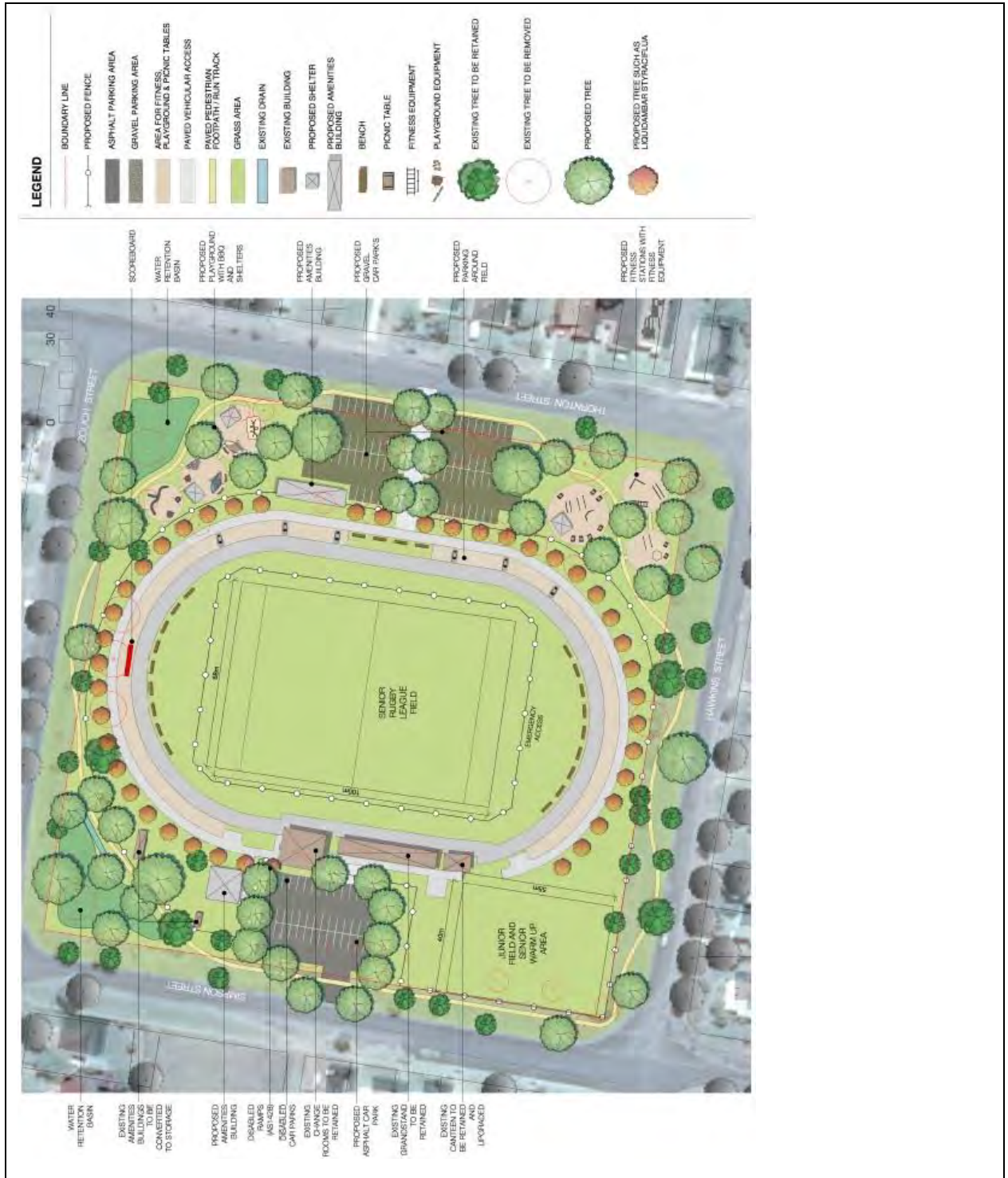
One request for covered disabled carparking was received. This facility is not provided at Kennard Park and whilst it would be identified by the Disabled Parking icon it would be difficult to police, especially in wet weather. As such it has not been included in the revised Master Plan but can be further investigated as the plan is implemented.

Stormwater Basins (Apsley Drainage System)

Prior to the amalgamation the former Wellington Council's Engineering Division had commenced design on upgrading the capacity of the Apsley Drainage System that runs along the northern side (Zouch Street) of the Complex.

Following discussions with the Manager Infrastructure Strategy and Stormwater Engineer an allowance for water retarding basins on both the north east and north west corners of Kennard Park has been allowed for. As detailed designs progress for the water retarding basins the path and playground layout can change to accommodate the identified capacity and dimensions of the basins.

As a result of the public comments received from the public exhibition of the draft Kennard Park Master Plan it has been revised and the new draft master plan for the Complex is provided below.



SUMMARY

The draft Kennard Park Master Plan has been developed through an extensive community consultation process involving the primary stakeholders of the facility and the broader community. The resulting Master Plan provides a strong strategic direction for the future development of the Complex, and provides Council the opportunity to seek further financial support to undertake the identified improvements.

As part of the funding strategy it shall also be recommended that the Federal Member for Calare, Mr Andrew Gee MP be approached in regards to Council being allocated the \$200,000 that was an election commitment to the community of Wellington for the improvement of the Kennard Park Complex.



REPORT: Cameron Park Master Plan

AUTHOR: Manager Recreation and Open Space
REPORT DATE: 8 October 2017
TRIM REFERENCE: ID17/1776

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Cameron Park is located in the CBD of Wellington and dates back to 1859. It was officially proclaimed in 1882 as Bell Park. During the early 20th century the park layout was formalised and was renamed Cameron Park in 1910 to honour the then Mayor, Alderman Thomas Cameron for his work in establishing the park.

Once known for its *“marvellous towering trees, giving welcome summer shade and cool”* (Stuart Read), the quality of the park has unfortunately declined in recent years with many of the trees either in an advanced state of decline, or have been removed altogether. Although some replacement planting has been undertaken over the years it appears to lack any formal structure that is paramount to the philosophy of Victorian era parks. While the formal layout (paths) has remained largely intact over the years, the infrastructure within the park has declined to such an extent that it now detracts from its appeal as a regional quality park.

The draft master plan for Cameron Park has been developed to provide a pathway that Council, and the community, can follow to restore the park back to its former glory.

ORGANISATIONAL VALUES

Customer Focused:

Being located in the Central Business District of Wellington, and adjacent to the Mitchell Highway Cameron Park is a high profile park and a focal point within the Wellington community for passive recreation and for the hosting of events. By inviting the public to make comment on the draft Cameron Park Master Plan enabled the community to have a say in the future development of the park.

Integrity: Dubbo Regional Council is committed to actively engaging with our community in the development of the Cameron Park Master Plan. By placing the Master Plan on public exhibition and inviting their feedback this demonstrates our commitment to this process.

One Team: As part of the public exhibition phase Community and Recreation has worked with Corporate Services to provide information to our community.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Dubbo Regional Council has \$560,000 identified for the commencement of works with \$280,000 from the Stronger Communities (Major Projects) for the Regional Playground Development and a further \$280,000 for the replacement of the amenities. Council is also seeking additional funding through a number of avenues including Infrastructure NSW and

Stronger Country Communities.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the report from Manager Recreation and Open Space dated 8 October 2017 be noted.
2. That the Cameron Park Master Plan be adopted noting that;
 - a) the perimeter wall immediately adjacent to the brick gates near the playground precinct shall be removed and a smaller section replaced
 - b) the Visitor Information Centre building whilst identified is not considered as an element of the Cameron Park Master Plan.
3. That residents who made a submission through the public exhibition period be informed in writing as to the outcome of their submission and thanking them for their participation in the process.

Ian McAlister

Manager Recreation and Open Space

BACKGROUND

Located in the CBD of Wellington is Cameron Park. The park's history dates back to 1859 where following lobbying from the Wellington Improvement Society five acres was set aside between the winding Bell River and the town's main street. It was officially proclaimed in 1882 as Bell Park.

The park was laid out in 1909 - 1910 by Andrew Alfred (A.A) Patterson and was based on Princes Street Park in Edinburgh, Scotland. It was renamed Cameron Park in 1910 to honour the then Mayor, Alderman Thomas Cameron for his work in establishing the park.

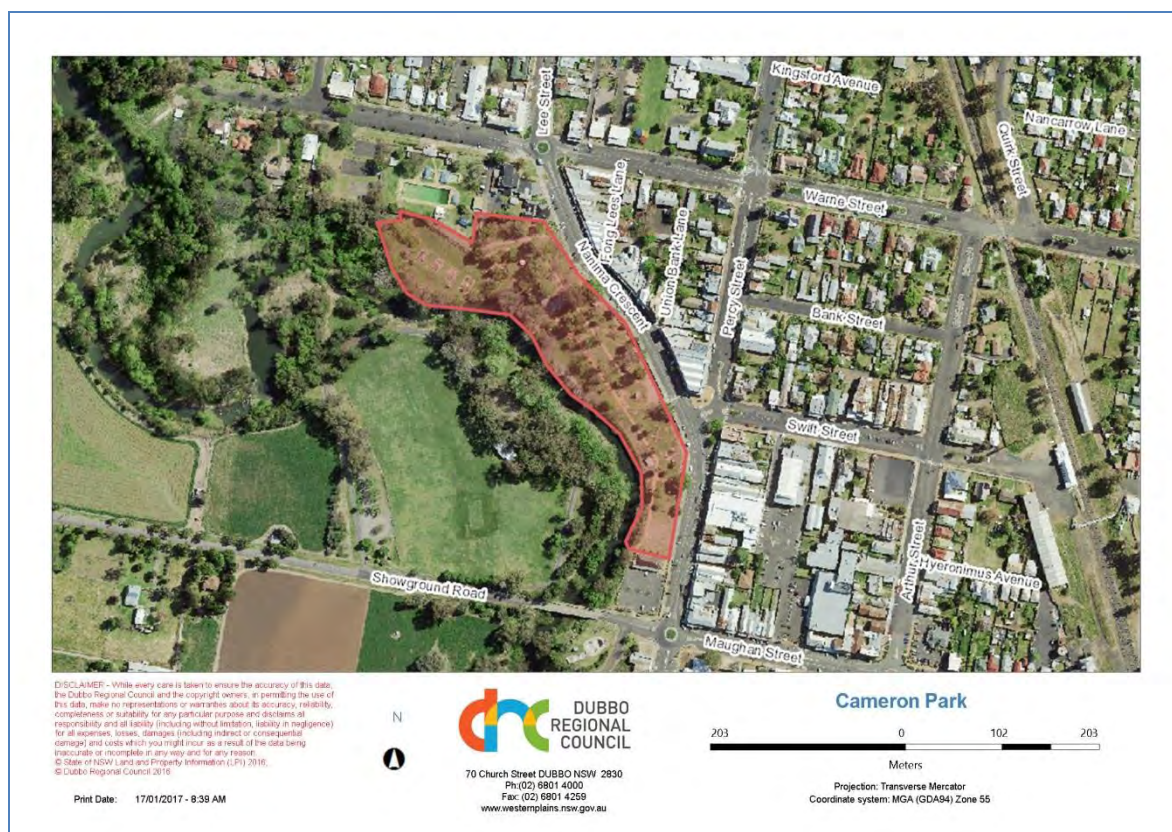


Figure 1. Location of Cameron Park – Wellington

Cameron Park has typical ingredients of 'second wave' Victorian era parks that includes a formal layout, wide and generous strolling paths, ample seats in shady spots, a band rotunda, sculptures and monuments such as World War 1 memorials and weapons, and formal gate ways. The Bell River that runs along the western edge provides a beautiful back drop to the park and provides a cooling effect to the immediate area, and interest through light and sound as a result of water movement.

A major feature of the park is the war memorial, with a sculpture by Marrickville sculptor Gilbert Doble (dedicated in 1933).

Past descriptions of the park include *"marvellous towering trees, giving welcome summer shade and cool."* (Stuart Read). While the formal layout (paths) has remained largely intact

over the years, the infrastructure within the park has declined to such an extent that it now detracts from its appeal. Similarly, many of the original trees have been removed over the years, with the few original trees now in advanced state of decline. Replacement tree planting has occurred over time however it appears to lack any formal structure that is paramount to the philosophy of Victorian era parks.

A draft master plan for Cameron Park was developed for the purpose of continuing public consultation with the Wellington community. An important consideration during the development of the draft Cameron Park Master Plan was the retention and enhancement of its Victorian character. These elements include its path layout, rotunda, fountain and cenotaph precincts. Another major component that was addressed is the immediate commencement of succession planting of the park to restore its tree canopy.

Following a report (WSC17/52) that was considered at the July 2017 Council meeting it was resolved that the draft Cameron Park Master Plan should go out on public exhibition for 28 days to seek further feedback from the community. The draft Cameron Park Master Plan was subsequently placed on public exhibition 16 August – 13 September 2017 and was publicly displayed at the Council's Administration Office and library at Wellington, promoted at the Wellington bicentenary celebrations (19 August 2017) and advertised through media outlets. As a result of the public exhibition Council received four submissions. These submissions have been reviewed and where appropriated incorporated into the revised draft Cameron Park Master Plan.

The ultimate aim of having the Cameron Park master plan adopted to provide long term direction in helping to restore the character of the park for future generations to enjoy.

REPORT

A draft master plan for Cameron Park was prepared through the assistance of Moir Landscaping Architects using information previously gathered, and advice from Council staff and the Wellington Rotary Club.

Following a report to Council in July 2017, and to enable the Wellington community to have input into the future development of the facility the draft Master Plan was placed on public exhibition for 28 days (16 August – 13 September 2017). The draft Master Plan was publicly displayed at the Council Administration Building (Wellington) and the library and promoted through media outlets, and at a stall at the Wellington bicentenary celebrations held at Cameron Park on the 19 August 2017.

In the draft Cameron Park Master Plan the key elements included the following:

1. The planting of avenues from Warne Street into Cameron Park to strengthen the connection between the residential and commercial zones and the park.

2. Wellington Pool Complex: The Cameron Park Master Plan does not deal specifically with the pool, however opportunities exist to enhance the connection between the park and the pool that will be considered under the Wellington Pool Master Plan.
3. The development of a strong avenue along the western pathway that would run the full length of the park. The tree species for this avenue is *Liriodendron tulipifera* (Tulip Tree). Additional plantings of this tree species are proposed in the garden bed that runs behind the wall on Nanima Crescent to complete the connection of the park. These plantings will complement the new street plantings in Namina Crescent (*Acer fremanii* "Autumn Blaze").
4. Redevelopment of the Sunken Garden: This section of the park is currently under-utilised and is a shadow of its former glory. To increase use of this area it is proposed to develop a small stage area and formalise the grassed terraced seating to encourage events, weddings, etc.
5. Council's Administration Building (Wellington): Improve gardens and visual amenity around the building.
6. Undertake restoration of the rotunda and adjacent lawn areas. Restoration of the rotunda was completed due to safety concerns prior to the Wellington Bicentenary in August.
7. The relocation and renewal of the existing playground from its present site, immediately south of the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, to a location closer to the Visitor's Information Centre. The new position would enhance the visibility and profile of the playground, and would assist in attracting travellers to stop in the town.

The new playground would be constructed as a regional level playground and is being funded through the Stronger Community (Major Projects) stream.

8. The development of an open plaza area connecting Nanima Crescent and the Central Business District to the Park. As part of the development it is proposed to remove a section of the wall that has already been significantly modified (cut down to approximately 300mm). Additional lawn areas will be created directly connecting the footpath and the park. This will allow improved porosity and flow into the park by pedestrians.

The existing amenities block will be removed from their current position and relocated closer to the Visitor Information Centres and playground. It is proposed that they also be rotated 90 degrees to reduce their street frontage that detracts from the park. To compensate for their loss of visibility the standard "Public Toilets" signage would be installed at appropriate locations.

9. Suspension bridge renewal and bank terracing: The suspension bridge provides a strong link between two recreational reserves and the Central Business District and it

needs to be identified whether the existing bridge be replaced / renewed or removed. If it is retained there is the opportunity to also provide a secondary RV parking area at Pioneer Park for travellers.

The existing bank adjacent to the suspension bridge is steep and is difficult to maintain safely. It is proposed to formalise the bank through terraces that will increase accessibility, provide additional picnic and viewing opportunities and reduce the risk to staff in maintaining this area.

10. Market area: The markets are currently operating out of the northern end of the park. This area is heavily shaded, damp, and not highly visible from the highway. It is proposed to shift the markets to the southern end of the park that is more open, and from discussions, their preferred location.
11. Macquarie Regional Library- Wellington: No major changes in this area apart from some general landscaping and garden bed improvements.
12. Bell Park conversion: Bell Park currently exists as a recreational facility catering largely for basketball. The current Wellington Pool Master Plan has this site identified as a carparking facility supporting the new Wellington Pool Complex.

Following the close of the public exhibition period Dubbo Regional Council had received four submissions.

The major comments received from the public exhibition period resulted in the following comments/concerns or issues. Due to the small number of respondents they can be dealt with individually.

Respondent 1: *“Looks amazing, playground in open and not too near the fence. Toilets near the playground but not too close. Please keep the trees”.*

Outcome:

The position of the playground as shown on the master plan is indicative and will be greatly influenced by the design of the playground itself. As part of the finalisation of the design of the playground the Wellington community will be requested to provide input into the final design.

The distance between the toilet block and the playground has been reduced from its current form to make them more accessible from the Visitor Information Centre, playground and the proposed plaza. Additional signage to direct travellers to the location of the newly located amenity block is also proposed.

Council has undertaken an audit of all the trees within the park to ascertain their health, risk and longevity. It has been identified that some of the trees are nearing the end of their Useful Life Expectancy and replacement planting to accommodate this transition has already

commenced. Tree removal will be limited to the bare minimum to allow the transitional plantings to develop.

Respondent 2: *“More play items for younger children”.*

Outcome:

The playground as shown in the plan is indicative only to show the proposed location. As part of the finalisation of the design of the playground the Wellington community will be requested to provide input into the final design.

Respondent 3: *“ I would like to commend Council for the creativity shown for the proposed improvements to our beautiful Cameron Park. These improvements will not only enhance the experience of time spent in this calming environment for our community members but provide a pleasant place for visitors to our town to enjoy.”*

Respondent 3 also raises the issue of the removal of a section of the old wall at the northern end. This is the section that has been cut down to approximately 300 – 400 mm above ground level. *“ . . . the integrity of the lower sections of the wall have been compromised over the years to the point that the original wall is basically non-existent. The proposed removal of the lower wall to open up the park space would likely improve the vista of the Park from the street, and make the area more inviting which is a positive. I would like however like to see the reinstatement of perhaps one or two panels in the original format on either side of the heritage gates (erected 1939). This proposal would not only provide a balanced curtilage to the gates but also pay respect to the heritage listed wall and its meaning to the community.”*

Outcome:

It is noted that the removal of the low wall may be sensitive to the Wellington community. However as indicated by Respondent 3 the low wall is highly modified to the extent that it doesn't truly reflect the original wall. It is suggested that the proposal put forward to recreate a section of the wall in the original format immediately adjacent to the heritage gates would be a reasonable compromise that re-establish the context of the heritage gates and still improve public accessibility into the park.

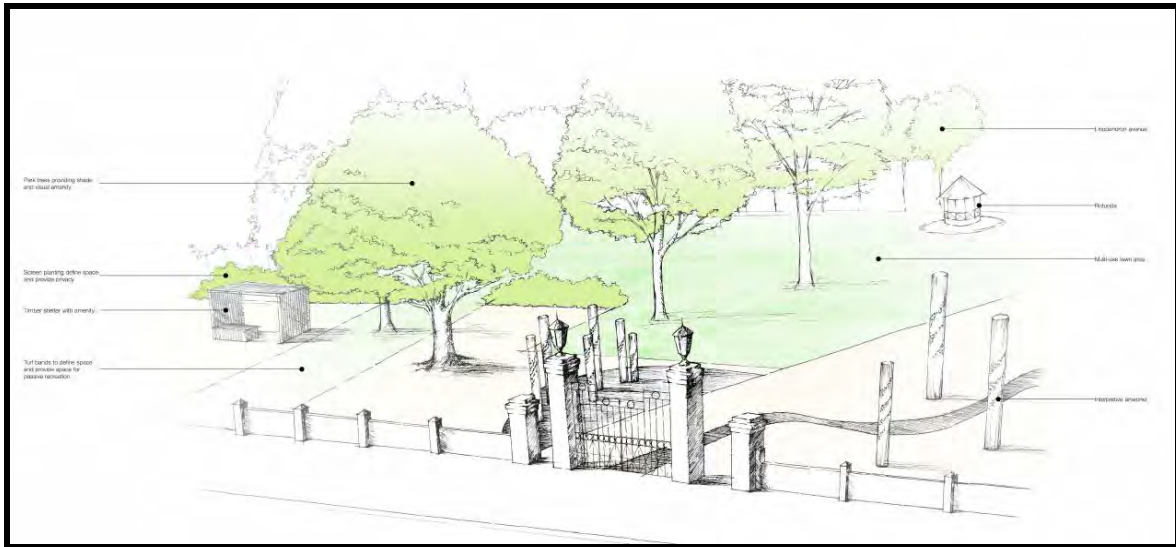


Figure 2. Artist's impression of the reinstated wall providing context to the heritage gates. Note: the wall would have a "scalloped" top rather than the flat top as shown.

Respondent 4:

- a) *"Area 12 (i.e. Bell Park) currently infrequently used as netball courts would be better put to dual use as RV parking with a formal pathway linking south of current pool enclosure to the main Cameron Park."*
- b) *"Introduction of loaner scooters, loaner golf carts or loaner bicycles, they are very popular in countries os (overseas)"*
- c) *The Warne St connection (1) would link currently proposed cycleways throughout Wello"*
- d) *Site (13) Potential daytime only RV parking – great idea"*

Outcome:

Respondent 4 comments have been noted.

Under the Wellington Pool Master Plan Bell Park (Area 12) has been identified as a future carparking area to support the new pool complex. This carpark will only progress as funds are identified with the current focus being the renewal of the pool complex itself. It should also be note that within the new pool complex a hard court facility has been allowed for.

In addition a master plan for Rygate Park has also been developed that includes the upgrading of the existing courts that will help to establish Rygate Park as a sporting hub for the Wellington community. It is expected that up to 10 sports will be accommodated at the revamped facility.

As part of the Cameron Park Master Plan a formal link between Cameron Park and Bell Park is proposed. This pathway would be constructed from decomposed granite and the proposed avenue plantings would extend the entire length of the park – from the library to Bell Park.

It is currently not envisaged that motorised scooters or carts would be provided in the park due to restrictions by the RMS and the ability to monitor their use.

As a result of the public comments received from the public exhibition of the draft Cameron Park Master Plan it has been revised and the new draft master plan for the park is provided below:







REPORT: Quarterly Plant Report

AUTHOR: Manager Fleet Services
REPORT DATE: 9 October 2017
TRIM REFERENCE: ID17/1698

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides relevant information on plant and vehicle operation from 1 July 2017 to 30 September 2017, the end of the first quarter.

It should be noted that much of the content of this report relates to Fleet Operations of the former Dubbo City Council. As the integration of the two former council's continue, this report will ultimately address the operations of Dubbo Regional Council.

Crash damage was experienced to three light vehicles and two plant items for the July to September period. The continued monitoring of crash reports indicates if there are any unexpected or serious issues associated with the fleet operation. No such issues were indicated.

It is considered that the plant and vehicle operation is satisfactory up to the end of the first quarter of the 2017/2018 financial year.

The plant utilisation rate to 30 September 2017 is 87.37% against a target of 85%. The specialised plant utilisation rate is 51.83% against a target of 55%.

ORGANISATIONAL VALUES

Customer Focused: The aim of the Quarterly Plant Report is to provide Council and Fleet Services clients with a brief review of motor vehicle and plant operation at quarterly intervals.

Integrity: The Quarterly Plant Report provides details in regards to the operational cost of owning and maintaining a diverse fleet. The information in this report is transparent and designed to provide an honest overview of the fleet performance.

One Team: Provision of fleet services for the whole organisation.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information contained in the report of the Manager Fleet Services, dated 6 October 2017 be noted.

Steven Colliver
Manager Fleet Services

REPORT

The aim of the Quarterly Plant Report is to provide a brief review of motor vehicle and plant operation at quarterly intervals during the course of the financial year. This method of reporting formalises the fleet management control process and provides an overview of the operation of the fleet for the year to date.

The utilisation percentages are calculated from data collected through the time sheet system and the result is based upon the premise that, "if the plant or vehicle is out of the depot it is working". This is the same system applied by any hire company providing plant or vehicles under a "dry hire" agreement, "dry hire" meaning supply of the plant or vehicle without an operator.

The hire rates that are currently applied to the plant are calculated on a utilisation formula, which is based upon a figure of 1600 hours, this being the maximum number of "normal" working hours available under the current Award conditions. For specialised plant, the "normal" working hours available is varied according to the individual plant item and the "average hour's experience" for that item. Where this average is below 1000 hours, the justification to continue ownership of the item is investigated.

Fleet Operational Costs

In reviewing the operational costs of the plant and vehicle fleet for this quarter, the fleet exception reporting system indicates that the costs to date for maintenance and repair associated with the following item is above the average for the particular class of equipment:

Plant No 2234

Volvo FM380 Tipping Truck

Plant number 2234 was purchased in September 2008. The maintenance cost for this period is \$7,390.50 above normal expenditure for this class of equipment for the period under review. This expenditure was due to replacing new steering box and reservoir.

No change to the standard replacement schedule for this plant item is indicated or recommended as a result of this repair.

Plant No 2153

Isuzu FVY1400 PaveLine Truck

Plant number 2153 was purchased in November 2009. The maintenance cost for this period is \$1,482.80 above normal expenditure for this class of equipment for the period under review. This expenditure was due to replacement of the lifting cylinder on the delivery boom.

No change to the standard replacement schedule for this plant item is indicated or recommended as a result of this repair.

Plant No 161

Isuzu FRR600 Tabletop Truck

Plant number 161 was purchased in April 2012. The maintenance cost for this period is \$1,244.41 above normal expenditure for this class of equipment for the period under review. This expenditure was due to the replacement of the clutch assembly.

No change to the standard replacement schedule for this plant item is indicated or recommended as a result of this repair.

Plant No 712

Dennis Eagle Garbage Truck

Plant number 712 was purchased in January 2014. The maintenance cost for this period is \$1,670.69 above normal expenditure for this class of equipment for the period under review. This expenditure was due to the replacement of the cabin tilt latch assembly.

No change to the standard replacement schedule for this plant item is indicated or recommended as a result of this repair.

Workshop

The Fleet Services Hawthorn Street Workshop has developed a number of KPIs in order to assess its competitiveness and operational effectiveness against commercial repair facilities. The primary comparison is in the Annual Plant Report. There is however one KPI that is measured on a quarterly basis being the clearance ratio of service and maintenance defects. This KPI is reported in the Quarterly and Annual Plant Reports.

A target of 90% clearance of defects within a fourteen day period has been set. The defect clearance for the first quarter of the 2017/2018 financial year is 93%. The workshop staff are aware of the importance of this customer service indicator to the Fleet Services function of Council and are working hard to sustain this level of service.

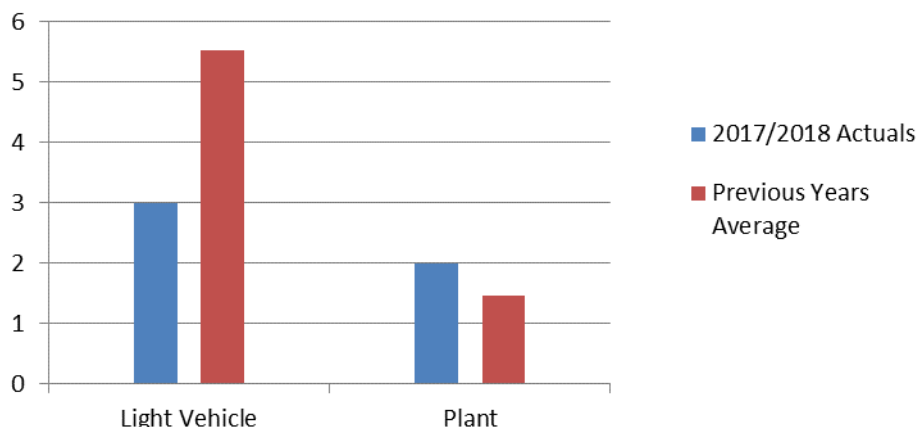
Plant Utilisation

The plant utilisation rate to the 30 September 2017 is 87.37% against the adopted policy target of 85%. The specialised plant utilisation rate is 51.83% against a target of 55%.

Crash/Damage Experience

The graph below is a summary of crash data for the first quarter of the 2017/2018 year and a comparison with previous year's averages (1999 to 2016):

First Quarter

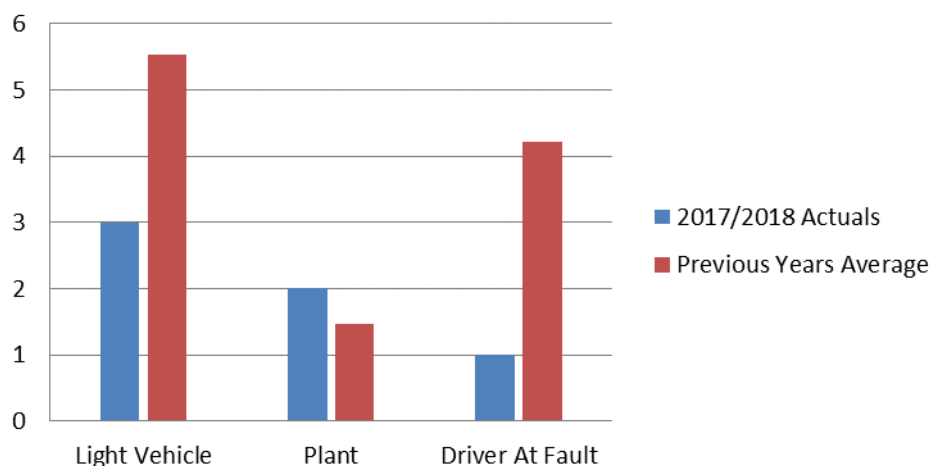


The total cost of the reported crashes during the first quarter is \$16,357.87. The total cost to Council, considering Council only pays the excess (\$1,000) on those crashes where an insurance claim is lodged, is \$4,440.00.

There is one significant crash that occurred during the first quarter that is yet to be assessed by the Insurance Company. Indications are that this vehicle may be “written off” as a result of a third party failing to give way at a Stop sign.

The graph below is a summary of crash data for the year to date figures of the 2017/2018 year and a comparison with previous years’ averages (1999 to 2016):

Year To Date

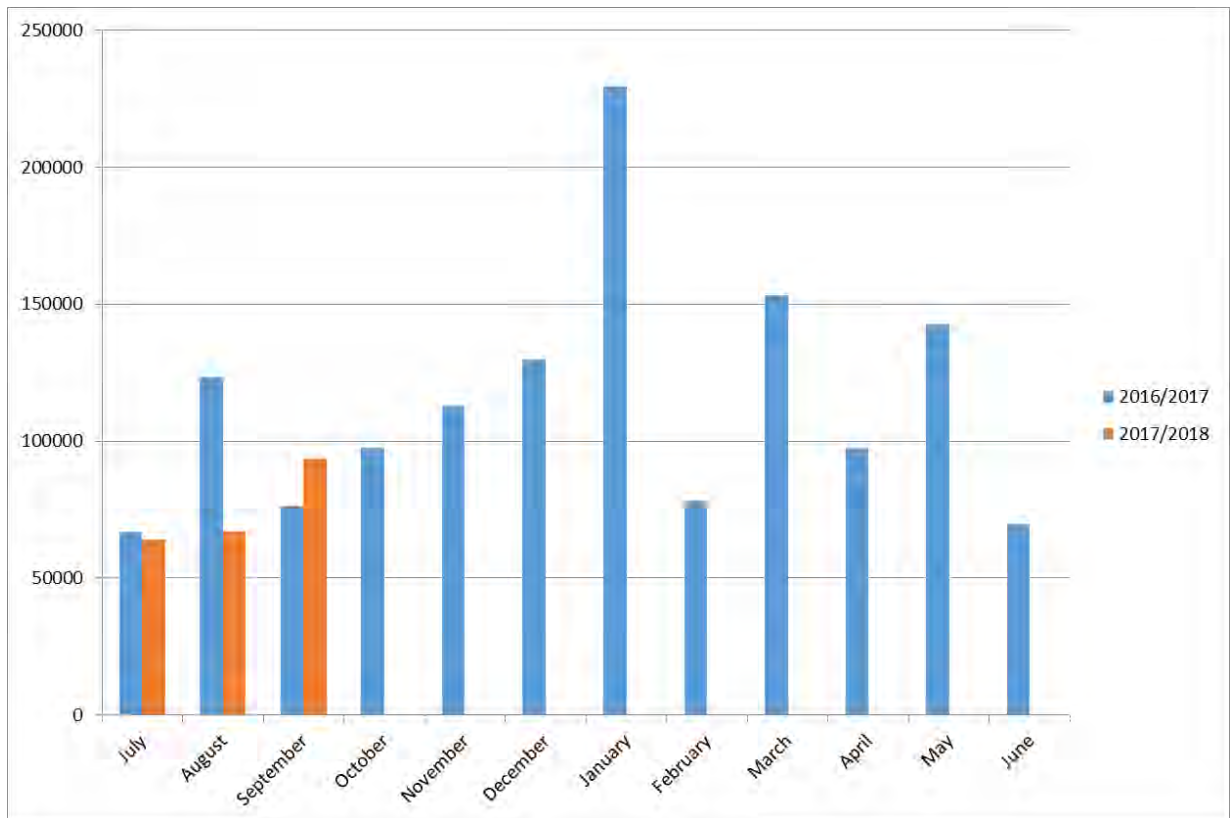


The reported crashes for this financial year to date are three for light vehicles, which is 2.53 less crashes than the average for the same year to date period in the previous financial years. The reported crashes for this financial year to date are two for plant, which is 0.53 more crashes than the average for the same year to date period in the previous financial years. The number of drivers at fault is one, which is 3.21 less than the average for the same year to date period in previous years. The number of claims made against Council's insurer for the

year to date period is four. This is 1.84 more than the average for the same year to date period in previous financial years (1999 to 2016).

External Plant Hire

The graph below is a summary of external plant hire costs for the first quarter for the 2017/2018 year and is as follows:



The external plant hire year to date total expenditure to 30 September 2017 is \$224,850.30. The external plant hire expenditure for the same period in the previous financial year was \$266,739.77.

SUMMARY

The results of the fleet operations are considered to be satisfactory. Plant hire costs recovery will continue to be monitored closely during the financial year to ensure that cost recovery is sufficient to meet the costs associated with the operation of the fleet.