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AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETING OF COUNCIL **FOR** **WEDNESDAY 28 APRIL 2021** **TO BE HELD AT COBRAM CIVIC CENTRE** **COMMENCING AT 5:00 PM**

RECORDING

Consistent with section 12.3 of our Governance Rules, Council officers have been authorised to record the public session of this meeting using an audio recording device.

LIVE STREAMING

Council meetings will now be lived streamed to allow those interested in viewing proceedings greater access to Council decisions and debate, without attending the meeting in person.

1. CALLING TO ORDER – CEO

2. PRAYER

Almighty God we humbly ask you to guide our deliberations for the welfare and benefit of the Moira Shire and its people whom we serve.

Amen

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We, the Moira Shire Council, would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land upon which we meet and pay our respects to their Elders both past and present.

4. APOLOGIES & REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

5. DECLARATION UNDER ACTS, REGULATIONS, CODES OR LOCAL LAWS

6. DECLARATION OF ANY INTEREST OR CONFLICT OF INTEREST

7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Recommendation: “That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 24 March 2021, as prepared, be confirmed.”

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QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC GALLERY

Questions of Council are an opportunity for the general public to submit a question prior to the Ordinary Meeting and receive a response from Council in the Questions of Council time.

- (1) The Council will hold Questions of Council Time for up to 30 minutes duration at the beginning of each Ordinary Meeting to allow questions of Council. Extension of time may be granted at the discretion of the Mayor.
- (2) Questions of Council are an opportunity for the general public to submit a question prior to the Ordinary Meeting and receive a response from Council in the Questions of Council time.
- (3) Council meetings are recorded and broadcasted to the public, this includes community questions and responses.
- (4) Questions of Council time will not apply during any period when the Council has resolved to close the meeting in respect of a matter under section 66 (1) of the Act.
- (5) Questions of Council may be on any matter relevant to the jurisdiction of the Council except if it:
 - (a) is considered malicious, defamatory, indecent, abusive, offensive, irrelevant, trivial, or objectionable in language or substance;
 - (b) relates to confidential information as defined under the Act;
 - (c) relates to the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer; or
 - (d) relates to any other matter which the Council considers would prejudice the Council or any person.
 - (e) Deals with a subject matter already answered
- (6) No more than two questions will be accepted from any person at any one meeting.
- (7) Where the Chief Executive Officer does not accept a question, the submitter is to be informed of the reason or reasons for which their question was not accepted.
- (8) A question submitted in writing by a member of the public, which has been disallowed by the Chief Executive Officer will be provided to any Councillor on request.
- (9) Questions may be read by the submitter where they are present at the meeting. Where the submitter is not present they shall be read by a delegate of the Chief Executive Officer and may be abridged to get to remove unnecessary commentary and only state the question.
- (10) Questions submitted to the Council must be:
 - (a) in written form;
 - (b) contain the name, address and email or contact telephone number of the person submitting the question;
 - (c) in a form approved or permitted by the Council (Template available on Council's website);
 - (d) addressed to the Chief Executive Officer; and
 - (e) submitted no later than the day prior to the meeting by email to info@moira.vic.gov.au clearly stating is a question for the meeting.

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ACHIEVER'S AWARD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Adopt the attached Achievers Award Assistance Program Policy and
2. Revoke the version previously adopted.

1. Executive Summary

This reports seeks the adoption of the revised Achievers Award Policy.

Council policies provide guidance as to Council's intent on the many functions, activities or services it provides. All policies previously adopted are regularly reviewed for relevancy to the corporate direction of Council.

The Achievers Award Assistance Program policy was initially adopted by Council on 28 July 2003, with the latest version being adopted on 22 March 2017. A review of the Achievers Award Program policy has shown that it remains relevant with only minor amendment required.

2. Background and Options

A review of the policy has resulted in some minor editing to reflect changes to the Victorian Local Government Act 2020 and formatting changes.

The Achievers Award Assistance Program policy sets out an assistance program to recognise the dedication and efforts of Moira Shire citizens who, through their ability or initiative, have been selected to participate in a leadership, sporting or cultural event or activity. All applicants are evaluated against the below funding criteria:

- Your regular place of residence must be within the municipal district of Moira Shire.
- You must be participating in a leadership, sporting or cultural event or activity. Cultural for the purpose of this program is defined as:
 - Relating to the culture of a society; or relating to the arts and intellectual achievements.
 - For sporting events applicants must be competing at a regional, state, or national level, or representing Australia at an international level.
- Applications must be made in advance and ideally should be lodged at least four weeks prior to the event or activity.

In addition to the criteria funding exclusions include applicants who have already received donation under the Achievers Award.

3. Financial Implications

The Achievers Award Assistance Program is a budgeted item.

The following summarises funding awarded by Council over the past seven financial years under the program:

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| 2014/15 | |
|-------------------------|---|
| \$300 | 2014 ICF World Marathon Canoe Championships |
| \$300 | The Rural Youth Ambassador Program |
| \$300 | World Showski Championship |
| \$300 | Basketball Victoria Country Junior State Championships – U12 Boys |
| \$300 | Basketball Victoria Country Junior State Championships – U12 Girls |
| \$300 | Basketball Victoria Country Junior State Championships– U14 Boys |
| \$300 | Basketball Victoria Country Junior State Championships – U14 Girls |
| \$500 | 2015 Pony Club Association of Victoria State Games |
| Total \$2,600.00 | |
| 2015/16 | |
| \$300 | CFA Fire Running Regional and State Competition |
| \$500 | World Ski Show Tournament |
| Total \$800.00 | |
| 2015/16 | |
| \$300 | IWWF World Titles Ski Show |
| \$300 | IWWF World Titles Ski Show |
| Total \$600 | |
| 2016/17 | |
| \$300 | IWWF World Titles Ski Show |
| \$300 | IWWF World Titles Ski Show |
| \$300 | The National University of Singapore Summer Science Camp |
| Total \$900 | |
| 2017/18 | |
| \$300 | 2017 Victorian Kickstart |
| \$300 | Worldskill Australian National Championship |
| Total \$600 | |
| 2018/19 | |
| \$300 | 2018 National Australian Veterans Championship |
| \$300 | London International Youth Science Forum |
| Total \$600 | |
| 2019/20 | |
| \$0.00 | Events cancelled and no funds awarded due to the global pandemic |

4. Risk Management

The Achievers Award Assistance Program policy and its implementation address risk management by:

- Council's and the applicant's responsibilities being clearly identified in the Achievers Award Program's guidelines and terms and conditions.

5. Internal and External Consultation

Input has been provided by the Governance and Corporate Management Team.

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The program is advertised quarterly in the local papers.

The proposed changes to the policy will not require a change to current practice. It is therefore considered community consultation is not required.

6. Regional Context

The Achievers Award Assistance Program recognizes residents of Moira Shire Council who as a result of their efforts, are participating in a leadership, sporting or cultural event at regionally, state, nationally or internationally.

7. Council Plan Strategy

A well run Council.

8. Legislative / Policy Implications

The Victorian Local Government Act 2020.

9. Environmental Impact

There are no direct environmental implications associated with this policy. Achievement in an environment field can be recognised through this policy.

10. Conflict of Interest Considerations

There are no conflict of interest considerations associated with this report.

11. Conclusion

A review of the Achievers Award Program Policy has shown that it remains relevant with only minor amendment required.

Attachments

- 1 DRAFT Achievers Award Assistance Program Policy
- 2 Draft Achievers Award Assistance Program Funding Guidelines
- 3 DRAFT Achievers Award Assistance Program Application Form

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Achievers Award Assistance Program Policy



| | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Policy type | Council |
| Adopted by | Council |
| Responsible General Manager | Chief Executive Officer |
| Responsible officer | Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer |
| Date adopted | |
| Scheduled for review | This policy will be reviewed four years from the date of adoption, or sooner if required. |

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide an assistance program to recognise the dedication and efforts of Moira Shire citizens who, through their ability or initiative, have been selected to participate in a leadership, sporting or cultural event or activity.

This policy should be read in conjunction with the Achievers Award Assistance Program Funding Guidelines.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all residents of the municipal district of Moira Shire.

DEFINITIONS

| | |
|---------------|--|
| Cultural | Relating to the culture of a society; or relating to the arts and intellectual achievements. |
| Family member | Victorian Local Government Act 2020 |

POLICY

1. About the Achievers Award Assistance Program

- 1.1. Council's Achievers Award Assistance Program provides an opportunity for Moira Shire residents to make an application for financial assistance, to recognise the dedication of Moira Shire residents, who as a result of their efforts or achievements, are participating in a leadership, sporting or cultural event or activity.
- 1.2. If an application is successful, the amount awarded will be up to \$300 per person, whether competing as an individual or as a member of a team or group. A limit of up to \$500 per team will apply. For example, if there were four eligible members in the same team, the payment would be up to \$125.00 per person.
- 1.3. If applications are received separately from individuals who belong to the same team or group, they will be treated as an application from a team or group.
- 1.4. Applicants are encouraged to explore other forms of fund raising, for example: sponsorship through local businesses, donations from other sources, or contacting the relevant governing body for information on potential grants or scholarships.
- 1.5. Council will endeavour to allocate an amount during the budget process each year to fund this program. However, in the event of budgeted funds becoming exhausted, no further donations may be made in that financial year.

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- 1.6. The Chief Executive Officer will submit a report to Council, by October each year for the previous financial year, listing the applications received and what donations were made.

2. Funding Principles

- 2.1 The level of the sporting or cultural event or activity. For example, for a sporting event, participation at a regional, state, national or international level.
- 2.2 The benefits an applicant hopes to gain, both for themselves and the Moira Shire community, from participating in the event or activity may be taken into consideration.
- 2.3 Where the total costs associated with participation are less than the amount that the person is eligible for, the lesser amount will be awarded.
- 2.4 Efforts by applicants to explore other forms of fundraising will be taken into consideration.

3. Funding Exclusions

- 3.1 Applicants who have already received a previous donation under the Achievers Award Assistance program are not eligible.
- 3.2 Applications for an event or activity that has commenced or has already taken place.
- 3.3 Applicants who are in debt to Council.
- 3.4 Applicants that don't reside in the municipal district of Moira Shire.

4. Application Process

- 4.1 Applications for financial assistance are able to be submitted all year round. There will not be an advertised period for applications, or a funding round.
- 4.2 The program will be advertised quarterly in local newspapers.
- 4.3 Details of the program will be included on Council's website.
- 4.4 Applications should be submitted on the Application Form (or an exact copy) by the person who is applying for the award.
- 4.5 Applications must be made in advance and ideally should be lodged at least **four weeks prior** to the event or activity.

5. Evaluation of Applications

- 5.1 Applications will be evaluated against the Achievers Award Assistance Program Funding Guidelines, by the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer, with the process being administered by the Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer.
- 5.2 Assessment will be based on the information provided with the application.
- 5.3 Advice on the outcome of evaluation will be provided to applicants as soon as possible after assessment is completed.
- 5.4 If the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer, consider it appropriate they may choose to refer an application to Council for assessment.
- 5.5 Council reserves the right to fund or not fund an application.

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- 5.6 The decision made on an application is final and not subject to any appeal or review.
- 5.7 Successful applicants will be required to sign their agreement to Council's Terms and Conditions of Funding, as detailed in the Achievers Award Assistance Program Funding Guidelines.

RELATED LEGISLATION

Local Government Act 2020

Charter of Human Rights & Responsibilities Act 2006

REFERENCES

Moirá Shire Council Achievers Award Assistance Program supporting documentation including *Funding Guidelines, Application Form & Terms and Conditions of Funding*.

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Funding Guidelines

Adopted by Council xxxxxx 2021

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ATTACHMENT No [2] - Draft Achievers Award Assistance Program Funding Guidelines

Achievers Award Assistance Program Funding Guidelines



1. INTRODUCTION

Moir Shire Council has adopted an Achievers Award Assistance Program Policy and these Funding Guidelines to recognise the dedication and efforts of citizens who, through their ability or initiative, are participating in a leadership, sporting or cultural event or activity. The program provides encouragement and financial assistance to eligible persons, in the form of a donation, towards assisting with the cost of participation.

Council will endeavour to allocate an amount during the budget process each year towards the Achievers Award Assistance Program. If budgeted funds become exhausted, no further donations will be made during that financial year.

Applications for financial assistance are invited and will be received year round. There will not be an advertised period for applications, or a funding round.

The amount of assistance has been set at up to \$300 per person for successful applicants, whether competing as an individual or as a member of a team or group. A limit of up to \$500 per team applies. For example, if there were four eligible members in the same team, the payment would be up to \$125.00 per person. If applications are received separately from individuals who belong to the same team or group, they will be treated as an application from a team or group.

2. FUNDING PRINCIPLES

The following principles are taken into account when making a decision on funding an application:

- 2.1 The level of the leadership, sporting or cultural event or activity. For example, for a sporting event, participation would be at a regional, state, national or international level.
- 2.2 The benefits an applicant hopes to gain, both for themselves and the Moir Shire community, from participating in the event or activity will be taken into consideration.
- 2.3 Where the total costs associated with participation are less than the amount that the person is eligible for, the lesser amount will be awarded.
- 2.4 Efforts by applicants to explore other forms of fundraising will be taken into consideration.

3. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for making an application for funding under the Achievers Award Assistance Program:

- 3.1 Your regular place of residence must be within the municipal district of Moir Shire.
- 3.2 You must be participating in a leadership, sporting or cultural event or activity. Cultural for the purpose of this program is defined as relating to the culture of a society; or relating to the arts and intellectual achievements.
- 3.3 For sporting events, applicants must be competing at a regional, state, or national level, or representing Australia at an international level.
- 3.4 Your application must be made in advance and ideally should be lodged at least four weeks prior to the event or activity.

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4. FUNDING EXCLUSIONS

The following applications are not eligible for funding:

- 4.1 Applicants who have already received a previous donation under the Achievers Award Assistance program are not eligible.
- 4.2 Applications for an event or activity that has commenced or has already taken place.
- 4.3 Applicants who are in debt to Council.
- 4.4 Applicants that don't reside in the municipal district of Moira Shire.

5. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF FUNDING

- 5.1 Successful applicants will be required to sign their agreement to Council's Terms and Conditions of Funding, as detailed below, prior to funds being paid:
 - (a) Expenditure of funds will only be spent on participating in the nominated event or activity identified in your application form.
 - (b) Funding recipients must be prepared to provide Council with a written report on the event or activity within 4 weeks of participating, and If requested by Council:
 - (i) receive the award in person; and
 - (ii) agree to have your photograph taken, which Council may choose to distribute to local and or regional media with an associated article and or use in a Council publication, Councils website or social media.
 - (c) If for any reason participation in the event or activity does not take place unexpended funds must be returned to Moira Shire Council.
- 5.2 Funds will be paid to successful applicants as soon as possible after receipt of a signed agreement to the Terms and Conditions of Funding.

6. ACQUITTAL (POST EVENT REPORTING)

In return for funding, applicants are required to provide a written report to Council within 4 weeks of participating in the event or activity. This is included in the Terms and Conditions of Funding, as covered in point five above.

7. EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS

- 7.1 Applications will be evaluated against these Guidelines as they are received by the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer, with the process being administered by the Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer.
- 7.2 Assessment will be based on the information provided with the application.

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- 7.3 Advice on the outcome of evaluation will be provided to applicants as soon as possible after assessment is completed.
- 7.4 If the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer consider it appropriate they may choose to refer a particular application to Council for assessment.
- 7.5 Council reserves the right to fund or not fund an application.
- 7.6 The decision made on an application is final and not subject to any appeal or review.
- 7.7 Applicants may be requested to provide additional supporting information should it be considered appropriate.

8. HOW TO APPLY

- 8.1 Applications for financial assistance are able to be submitted all year round. There will not be an advertised period for applications, or a funding round.
- 8.2 Applications should be submitted on the Application Form (or an exact copy) by the person who is applying for the award. The application form is available on Council's website or by contacting Council.
- 8.3 Applications must be made in advance, and ideally should be lodged at least four weeks prior to the event or activity.
- 8.4 Applications should be typed where possible or completed in black ink.
- 8.5 Any application that is considered incomplete or not in the required format may not be accepted.

If you are concerned about your eligibility, or require further information, please contact the Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer on (03) 5871 9222 before you apply.

Applications should be completed and forwarded to:

Chief Executive Officer
Moir Shire Council
PO Box 578
COBRAM VIC 3643

Email: info@moira.vic.gov.au

In person to: 44 Station Street, Cobram or
100 Belmore Street, Yarrawonga

REVIEW OF GUIDELINES

These guidelines will be reviewed four years from the date of adoption, or sooner if required.

RELATED POLICIES

Achievers Award Assistance Program Policy

RELATED LEGISLATION

Local Government Act 2020

Charter of Human Rights & Responsibilities Act 2006

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ATTACHMENT No [3] - DRAFT Achievers Award Assistance Program Application Form

A P P L I C A T I O N

Achievers Award Assistance Program



Please refer to Moira Shire Council's Achievers Award Assistance Program Policy and Funding Guidelines before completing this application. This Application must be made by the person seeking the award.

Terms and Conditions

1. If this application is unsuccessful, no further correspondence will be entered into.
2. If successful, Council will require you to sign a Terms and Conditions of Funding form prior to funding being paid, agreeing to the following:
 - (a) Expenditure of funds provided by Council will only be spent on participating in the nominated event or activity identified in your application form.
 - (b) Funding recipients must be prepared to provide Council with a written report on the event or activity within 4 weeks of participating, and if requested by Council:
 - (i) receive the award in person; and
 - (ii) agree to have your photograph taken, which Council may choose to distribute to local and or regional media with an associated article and or use in a Council publication, Council's website or social media.
 - (c) If for any reason participation in the event or activity does not take place, unexpended funds must be returned to Moira Shire Council.

Please note: Applicants who have already received a previous donation under the Achievers Award Assistance Program are excluded from making another application.

Please send your completed application form to:

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Email: info@moira.vic.gov.au

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Collection Statement

Moirā Shire Council is collecting the personal information for your Achievers Award Assistance Program Application. The information collected will be used for the purpose of the Achievers Award Assistance Program and/or directly related purpose. The Information may be disclosed in Council Meeting Agendas and Minutes, Council publications, website, social media and to local media outlets or if required or authorised to do so by law. Your information may also be disclosed to other team members who have made an application under the program (if you are a member of a group/team). If you do not provide the information required, we may not be able to process your application. If you require access to the information you have provided, please contact Council.

For further information, including Council's information privacy statement please visit our website at www.moira.vic.gov.au.

Applicant Details

| | | | |
|----------------|--|---------|--|
| First Name | | Surname | |
| Postal Address | | | |
| Email Address | | | |

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ATTACHMENT No [3] - DRAFT Achievers Award Assistance Program Application Form

APPLICATION

Achievers Award Assistance Program



Contact Number

About the Event/Activity

| | | |
|--|--|---|
| What is the event or activity for which you are seeking financial assistance towards the cost of participating? | | |
| How does the event or activity fit into Council's criteria of leadership, sporting or cultural? | | |
| What benefit/s do you hope to gain, both for yourself and the Moira Shire community, from participating in this event or activity? | | |
| When is it being held? | Start Date: | Completion Date: |
| Where is it being held? <i>Include Country if overseas</i> | | |
| For sporting events, please indicate whether you are competing at | <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Level <input type="checkbox"/> State Level <input type="checkbox"/> National Level | <input type="checkbox"/> International Level <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |

Financial

What are the anticipated costs of participating in this event or activity?

** Please attach any additional or supporting information*

| Item | Amount (\$) |
|--------------|-------------|
| | |
| | |
| | |
| | |
| Total | |

Have you sought financial assistance from other sources?

☐ Yes

☐ No

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APPLICATION

Achievers Award Assistance Program



What financial support do you expect to receive from other sources?

| Source | Amount (\$) |
|--------|-------------|
| | |
| | |
| | |
| Total | |

Referee

Please provide the name of a referee who can support in your application.

**The referee must sight and sign this form*

| | | | |
|----------------|--|---------|--|
| First Name | | Surname | |
| Postal Address | | | |
| Email Address | | | |
| Contact Number | | | |

Referee Declaration

☐ I confirm that I have read this application and understand the collection notice contained on this form.

Signature: Date:

Applicant Declaration

☐ I declare that I have read and understand the terms & conditions and the collection statement contained on this form.

☐ I have attached supporting information.

Signature: Date:

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PROPOSED LEASE AGREEMENT AT THE YARRAWONGA AERODROME

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1 Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to:
 - a) give public notice of Council's intention to enter into a new lease agreement with the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) for the defined area within the parcel of land at the Yarrowonga Aerodrome;
 - b) make the lease proposal available for public inspection;
 - c) invite submissions in accordance with Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989;
 - d) receive submissions until 5pm Wednesday 2nd June 2021; and
 - e) if no submissions are received sign and seal the lease.
- 2 If required:
 - a) convene a Committee of Council meeting comprising Cr_____, Cr_____ and General Manager Corporate and/or delegate to meet at 5pm Monday 7th June 2021 at the Cobram Civic Centre, Punt Road Cobram to hear any person wishing to be heard in support of their written submission.
 - b) consider a recommendation to proceed with the lease with or without amendment at the 23rd June 2021 Ordinary Council meeting.

1. Executive Summary

The Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) currently lease an area of approximately 256m² within the parcel of land owned by Council at the Yarrowonga Aerodrome for the purposes of a Weather Watch Radar Station. The BOM intend to construct a new weather watch radar station adjacent to the current site and decommission the existing infrastructure and therefore wishes to enter into a new 20 year lease (10+5+5).

The new lease proposes essentially the same lease conditions as the current lease with the exception that the proposed lease has been prepared using current writing styles and legal requirements. The rental will remain the same and is currently set at \$1 per annum.

Council is requested to authorise the publication of a public notice advising the community of Council's intention to enter into the lease in accordance with section 190 of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act), and invite submissions under section 223 of the Act.

A Committee of Council meeting may be convened to hear any objections received. If no objections are received, Council authorisation for the Chief Executive Officer to sign and seal the lease documents is sought.

2. Background and Options

The current lease with the BOM over approximately 256m² of Council land located within the Yarrowonga Aerodrome commenced on 1 July 2001 is due to expire on 30 June 2021. The Weather Watch Radar Station is currently located on the leased area which has operated, without issue, for the duration of the current lease.

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PROPOSED LEASE AGREEMENT AT THE YARRAWONGA AERODROME
(cont'd)

The BOM wish to lease a larger portion of land adjacent to the current site for a period of 20 years (10 + 5 + 5) and it is proposed that the new lease commence from 1 July 2021.



The existing Weather Watch Radar Station will be decommissioned and the site will be made good following the construction of the new radar station.

3. Financial Implications

The proposed rental is \$1 per annum, which is the same as the current rental agreement amount.

4. Risk Management

The BOM will carry all risks associated with the leased area and their continued operations. The proposed lease imposes no significant additional risk to Council and is protected from liability associated with the BOMs operations by the terms and conditions of the lease.

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PROPOSED LEASE AGREEMENT AT THE YARRAWONGA AERODROME (cont'd)

5. Internal and External Consultation

The intent of this report is to seek Council's consent to give public notice of Council's intention to enter into a new lease arrangement with the BOM. If Council's consent is given, public notice will be given in accordance with section 190 of the Act.

6. Regional Context

The Weather Watch Radar Station constructed by the BOM at Yarrawonga is a vital component of the local and regional weather monitoring system.

7. Council Plan Strategy

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8. Legislative / Policy Implications

Council will comply with section 190 of the Act by advertising the proposed lease arrangement and inviting submissions in accordance with section 223 of the Act.

9. Environmental Impact

The BOM already occupy a portion of land at the Yarrawonga Aerodrome and will make good this existing site following the construction of the new Weather Watch Radar Station.

The BOM have on-going lease obligations to address any environmental issues associated with their equipment and activities.

10. Conflict of Interest Considerations

There are no known conflict of interest considerations.

11. Conclusion

The BOM wish to secure tenure over a new leased site at the Yarrawonga Aerodrome for a period of 20 years (10+5+5) from the expiry date of their current lease.

The new lease will contain essentially the same lease terms and conditions as the current lease and proposes a 20 year lease term (10+5+5) with a rental on commencement of \$1 per annum.

A Council resolution is sought to give public notice of Council's intention to enter into a new lease with the BOM, convene a Committee of Council to hear objections if necessary and to authorise the CEO to sign and seal the lease documents if no objections are received.

Attachments

Nil

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ITEM NO: 10.2.2

MOIRA SHIRE COUNCIL DRAFT BUDGET 2021/22

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Accept the draft 2021/22 Budget.
2. Authorise commencement of the statutory (S223) community consultation process for the draft budget and in doing so:
 - Receive written submissions until 5pm Wednesday 2 June 2021.
 - If required, convene a Committee of Council Meeting comprising all available councillors to meet at 5pm Monday 7 June 2021 to hear any person wishing to be heard in support of their submission.
 - Consider adoption of the 2021/22 Budget at the scheduled Council meeting at 5.00pm on Wednesday 23 June 2021 with or without amendment.

1. Executive Summary

This report requests council's approval to seek community feedback on the draft 2020/21 Budget through the community consultation process required under the Local Government Act 1989 (Section 223).

If approved,

- The draft 2021/22 Budget will be available for public inspection at Council Service Centres and on council's website from **Friday 30 April 2021**.
- Members of the community will be invited to view and make written submissions on the draft Budget by **5pm Wednesday 2 June 2021**.
- A Committee of Council Meeting will meet on **Monday 7 June 2021** to hear any person who has indicated in their written submission that they would like to speak in support of their submission on the draft 2021/22 Budget, and
- Council will consider the submissions before considering a recommendation to adopt the draft 2020/21 Budget with or without amendments at the Scheduled Council Meeting to be held on **Wednesday 23 June 2021**.

The timelines will ensure council fulfils its obligation to adopt the Annual Budget by 30 June 2021.

2. Discussion

The Local Government Act requires councils to:

- Prepare, seek community feedback on and then adopt an Annual Budget by 30 June each year and submit the adopted Budget to the Minister within 28 days of adoption.

The draft 2021/22 Budget has been prepared through a series of council and management workshops and briefings.

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MOIRA SHIRE COUNCIL DRAFT BUDGET 2021/22 (cont'd)

3. Financial Implications

The draft 2021/22 Budget enables the Council to fund its approved operational activities and capital projects for the year ending 30 June 2022.

4. Risk Management

The Budget seeks to balance the competing needs and interests expressed by the community with council's legal obligations that are defined in many acts and regulations.

5. Legislative / Policy Implications

The proposed Budget has been prepared in accordance with the Local Government Act and Regulations and the Model Financial Report.

6. Conflict of Interest Considerations

There are no officer conflict of interest issues to consider within this report.

7. Conclusion

The draft 2021/22 Budget seeks to service the many and often competing needs of the Moira community in a financially sustainable manner that is equitable across a large geographic Shire.

This report seeks Council's endorsement of the proposed budget and authorisation to commence community consultation through a statutory S223 process to further test and understand community acceptance of the proposed Budget.

Attachments

- 1 Draft Moira Shire Council Budget 2021/22 - *printed in separate document*

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4. A WELL RUN COUNCIL

ITEM NO: 10.2.3

DRAFT MOIRA SHIRE COUNCIL PLAN 2021 - 2025

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Authorise the draft Council Plan 2021-2025 for community consultation and make the draft plan available for public inspection at Council Service Centres and on council's website by Friday 30 April 2021.
2. Receive written submissions on the draft Plans until 5pm Wednesday 2 June 2021.
3. Consider all submissions before considering a recommendation to adopt the draft Council Plan 2021-2025 with or without amendments at the Scheduled Council Meeting to be held on Wednesday 23 June 2021.

1. Executive Summary

The purpose of this report is to request Council's approval to seek community feedback on the draft Moira Shire Council Plan 2021-2025.

Council is required to develop a Council Plan in the year following a general election.

If approved:

- The draft Council Plan 2021-2025 will be made available for public inspection at Council Service Centres and on council's website from **Friday 30 April 2021**.
- Members of the community will be invited to view and make written submissions on the draft Plans by **5pm Wednesday 2 June 2021**.
- Council will consider the submissions before considering a recommendation to adopt the draft Council Plan 2021-2025 with or without amendments at the Scheduled Council Meeting to be held at **Wednesday 23 June 2021**.

Council has undertaken a deliberative community engagement process that included:

- A facilitated Councillor workshop;
- Extensive advertising on radio, local newspapers, and social media;
- A community survey with feedback sought via our 'Have Your Say' section on the website;
- A series of community conversation sessions held in Cobram, Yarrawonga, Nathalia and Numurkah.

2. Background and Options

The Act (s90) requires Council to prepare and adopt a Council Plan of at least the next 4 financial years by 31 October in the year following a general election.

The Council Plan addresses the following:

- the strategic direction of Council;
- the strategic objectives for achieving that direction;
- strategies for achieving the objectives (for at least 4 years);
- strategic indicators for monitoring achievement; and
- description of initiatives and priorities for services, infrastructure and amenity.

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DRAFT MOIRA SHIRE COUNCIL PLAN 2021 - 2025 (cont'd)

The Council Plan is centered around five key strategic objective pillars – a welcoming and inclusive place; a diverse and dynamic economy; a clean green environment; customer focused and responsive; and transparent and accountable governance.

Community Engagement Process

Councillors were involved in a facilitated workshop in February 2021 to brainstorm and develop the strategic objective of Council.

Our community plays a major role in developing the vision and priorities for the Council Plan 2021-2025. We have consulted widely with the community, ensuring they have their say for the future of Moira Shire, using deliberative engagement methods in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2020* during the development of this Council Plan.

Community engagement enables a deeper understanding of community members' perceptions of the topics and contexts on a particular issue and facilitates stronger relationships among and between community members.

As part of the deliberative engagement process, councillors and staff held four community consultations in the main centres of Moira Shire – Cobram, Nathalia, Numurkah and Yarrawonga; a comprehensive survey was put on our website with hard copies available to those with no internet access; and an extensive advertising campaign was conducted including newspaper, radio and social media platforms.

The community also has another opportunity to have their say when the draft Council Plan 2021-2025 is released for feedback, with further extensive advertising across various media platforms. We appreciate the time people have taken to have their say on the future of our municipality and we thank them for their input.

3. Financial Implications

There are no additional financial implications.

4. Internal and External Consultation

Councillors, Corporate Management Team, Managers and community members have all had an input in developing this plan.

5. Regional Context

All Victorian Councils are required to develop a Council Plan.

6. Council Plan Strategy

Aligns with Council Plan Strategy 4 – A well run Council.

7. Conflict of Interest Considerations

There is no officer conflict of interest considerations.

8. Conclusion

That Council authorises the draft Council Plan 2021-2025 for community consultation prior to considering the recommendation for adoption at the June Council Meeting.

Attachments

- 1 Draft Moira Shire Council Plan 2021-2025 - *printed in separate document*

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ITEM NO: 10.2.4

DRAFT MOIRA SHIRE COUNCIL FINANCIAL PLAN 2021 - 2031

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Authorise the draft Moira Shire Council Financial Plan for community consultation and make the draft plan available for public inspection at Council Service Centres and on council's website from Friday 30 April 2021.
2. Receive written submissions on the draft plan until 5pm Wednesday 2 June 2021.
3. Consider all submissions before considering a recommendation to adopt the draft Moira Shire Council Financial Plan with or without amendments at the Scheduled Council Meeting to be held on Wednesday 23 June 2021.

1. Executive Summary

The purpose of this report is to request Council's approval to seek community feedback on the draft Moira Shire Council Financial Plan.

The development of a Financial Plan is a new requirement that forms part of the implementation of the *Local Government Act 2020* (the Act).

If approved:

- The draft Financial Plan will be made available for public inspection at Council Service Centres and on council's website from **Friday 30 April 2021**.
- Members of the community will be invited to view and make written submissions on the draft Plans by **5pm Wednesday 2 June 2021**.
- Council will consider the submissions before considering a recommendation to adopt the draft Financial Plan with or without amendments at the Scheduled Council Meeting to be held at **Wednesday 23 June 2021**.

Council has undertaken a deliberative community engagement process that included:

- A facilitated Councillor workshop;
- Extensive advertising on radio, local newspapers, and social media;
- A community survey with feedback sought via our 'Have Your Say' section on the website;
- A series of community conversation sessions held in Cobram, Yarrawonga, Nathalia and Numurkah.

2. Background and Options

A new requirement of the Act (s91) requires Council to develop and adopt a Financial Plan that includes an outlook for at least 10 years. This plan is also due by the 31 October in the year following a general election.

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DRAFT MOIRA SHIRE COUNCIL FINANCIAL PLAN 2021 - 2031 (cont'd)

Financial Plan

The Financial Plan must:

- describe the financial resources required to give effect to the Council Plan and other strategic plans of Council;
- provide information about decisions and assumptions on which it is based; and
- outline any other resource requirements considered appropriate or contained in the regulations.

The Financial Plan defines the broad financial boundaries for the Council Plan, Asset Plan, other subordinates policies and strategies and budget processes.

Community Engagement Process

Councillors were involved in a facilitated workshop in February 2021 to brainstorm and develop the strategic objective of Council.

Our community plays a major role in developing the vision and priorities for the Financial Plan 2021-2031. We have consulted widely with the community, ensuring they have their say for the future of Moira Shire, using deliberative engagement methods in accordance with the Local Government Act 2020 during the development of this Financial Plan.

Community engagement enables a deeper understanding of community members' perceptions of the topics and contexts on a particular issue and facilitates stronger relationships among and between community members.

As part of the deliberative engagement process, councillors and staff held four community consultations in the main centres of Moira Shire – Cobram, Nathalia, Numurkah and Yarrawonga; a comprehensive survey was put on our website with hard copies available to those with no internet access; and an extensive advertising campaign was conducted including newspaper, radio and social media platforms.

The community also has another opportunity to have their say when the draft Financial Plan 2021-2031 is released for feedback, with further extensive advertising across various media platforms. We appreciate the time people have taken to have their say on the future of our municipality and we thank them for their input.

3. Financial Implications

There are no additional financial implications.

4. Internal and External Consultation

Councillors, Corporate Management Team, Managers and community members have all had an input in developing these plans.

5. Regional Context

All Victorian Councils are required to develop these plans.

6. Council Plan Strategy

Aligns with Council Plan Strategy 4 – A well run Council.

7. Conflict of Interest Considerations

There is no officer conflict of interest considerations.

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DRAFT MOIRA SHIRE COUNCIL FINANCIAL PLAN 2021 - 2031 (cont'd)

8. Conclusion

That Council authorises the draft Moira Shire Council Financial Plan for community consultation prior to considering the recommendation for adoption at the June Council Meeting.

Attachments

- 1 Draft Moira Shire Council Financial Plan 2021-2031 - *printed in separate document*

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4. A WELL RUN COUNCIL

ITEM NO: 9.2.5

DRAFT MOIRA SHIRE COUNCIL REVENUE AND RATING PLAN 2021 - 2025

RECOMMENDATION

That Council authorises:

1. The draft Revenue and Rating Plan to be made available for public inspection at Council Service Centres and on council's website from Friday 30 April 2021.
2. Receive written submissions on the draft Plan until 5pm Wednesday 2 June 2021.
3. Council will consider all submissions before considering a recommendation to adopt the draft Revenue and Rating Plan with or without amendments at the Scheduled Council Meeting to be held on Wednesday 23 June 2021.

1. Executive Summary

The purpose of this report is to request Council's approval to seek community feedback on the draft Revenue and Rating Plan.

Council is required to develop a Revenue and Rating Plan by 30 June in the year following a general election.

The Plan provides a medium-term strategy for how Council will generate income to deliver on the Council Plan, program and services and capital works commitments over a 4-year period.

If approved;

- The draft Revenue and Rating Plan will be made available for public inspection at Council Service Centres and on council's website from **Friday 30 April 2021**.
- Members of the community will be invited to view and make written submissions on the draft Plan by **5pm Wednesday 2 June 2021**.
- Council will consider all submissions before considering a recommendation to adopt the draft Revenue and Rating Plan with or without amendments at the Scheduled Council Meeting to be held at **Wednesday 23 June 2021**.

This timeline will allow Council to meet the requirement to adopt the Revenue and Rating Plan by 30 June 2021.

2. Background and Options

The Local Government Act 2020 (the Act) (s93) requires council to prepare and adopt a Revenue and Rating Plan by 30 June after a general election.

The Revenue and Rating Plan is a new requirement and must be for a period of at least 4 financial years. It provides a medium-term plan for how Council will generate income to deliver on the Council Plan, program and services and capital works commitments over a 4-year period. It defines the revenue and rating 'envelope' within which Council propose to operate.

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**DRAFT MOIRA SHIRE COUNCIL REVENUE AND RATING PLAN 2021 - 2025
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The Revenue and Rating Plan incorporates:

- how revenue will be generated through rates on properties (including differential rates on different property classes)
- fixed service charges that might be applied on services such as waste or recycling
- fees and charges for services and programs
- developer contributions and other revenue
- revenue generated from use or allocation of Council assets (including the application of discounts and waivers)
- recurrent and non-recurrent operational and capital grants from other levels of government
- Other activities established to deliver programs or services and generate income or reduce costs.

This plan also includes transparent consideration of the policy objectives and social, economic, and environmental benefit delivered through subsidies, waivers, and discounts.

3. Financial Implications

There are no additional financial implications.

4. Internal and External Consultation

Councillors, Corporate Management Team & Financial Controller provided feedback.

5. Regional Context

All Victorian Councils are required to develop a Revenue and Rating Plan.

6. Council Plan Strategy

Aligns with Council Plan Strategy 4 – A well run Council.

7. Conflict of Interest Considerations

There are no officer conflict of interest considerations.

8. Conclusion

That Council authorises the draft Revenue and Rating Plan for community feedback.

Attachments

- 1 Draft Revenue and Rating Plan - *printed in separate document*

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ITEM NO: 10.4.1

COBRAM BUSINESS PARK - POST PUBLIC EXHIBITION

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Accept the recommendations of the Planning Report for 34 Ritchie Road Cobram to rezone the land from Farming to Commercial 2 and apply the Development Plan Overlay and Parking Overlay over the land.
2. Amend the Planning Report and proposed Development Plan in accordance with the recommendations to the submission responses.
3. Prepare draft Planning Scheme documents in accordance with recommendations of the Planning Report.
4. Seek authorisation from the Minister for Planning to prepare a Planning Scheme Amendment pursuant to Section 8A of the Planning and Environment Act 1987.

1. Executive Summary

The subject land at 34 Ritchie Road Cobram has been earmarked as a potential business park at least since the implementation of the Cobram Strategy Plan (2007).

A planning investigation has been undertaken to determine the best and most appropriate land use for the subject land and to apply the relevant planning controls which are by rezoning to Commercial 2 and use the Development Plan Overlay to control how the land should develop and also apply the Parking Overlay as with all other land that is zoned Commercial.

The Planning Report and Development Plan were placed on public exhibition for 4 weeks and 8 submissions have been received. No changes are proposed to the recommended rezoning and overlay controls.

It is recommended to accept the planning consultant's recommendations and therefore seek authorisation from the Minister for Planning to prepare an amendment to the Planning Scheme.

2. Background

The subject land has an area of 31 hectares and is currently is zoned as Farming Zone under the Moira Planning Scheme. The land is surrounded with Commercial 2 Zone to the east and south, Mixed Use Zone and Industrial 1 Zone to the north, and Special Use Zone and Farming Zone to the west.

The Moira Planning Scheme currently contains the Cobram Framework Plan under its Local Area Policy (Clause 21.07) and identifies the subject land as "*Short term business expansion – Potential business park*".

In 2016, a planning permit application was lodged for the use and development of the land for caravan and cabin accommodation, however, it was considered to be best described as a Residential Village. The application was refused on the grounds that a Residential Village is prohibited in the Farming Zone. The applicant made an application for review to VCAT and to amend the proposal, however the Tribunal decided to affirm Council's decision and that no planning permit be granted.

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In making its decision, the Tribunal considered whether the proposal was appropriate in the context of the strategic policy framework. It noted the strategic history of the land forming part of the Cobram Strategy Plan 2007 which designated the land as a future business park and the strategy's continued relevance in the 2016 Municipal Strategic Statement Review which was considered by a Planning Panel as part of Planning Scheme Amendment C77.

The Tribunal found that the Cobram Strategy Plan provided clear strategy and policy support for the industrial /light industrial/bulky goods type uses to be on the west side of town and considered that a Commercial 2 zone for the site was not inappropriate provided that suitable measures were imposed to protect amenity of Green Palms Village opposite.

The Major Towns Strategy Review 2018 concluded that *'further investigation is needed to facilitate future development opportunities at the Ritchie Road site, potential options to explore include Mixed Use Zone and Commercial 1 Zone.*

This report and its attachments concludes the further investigation as recommended by the Major Towns Strategy Review 2018. The findings of the further investigation are that Commercial 2 zoning is the most appropriate rezoning option given the sites location and proximity to the town.

The recommendation to rezone the land Commercial 2 rather than Commercial 1 reflects the findings of the Cobram Village planning panel report, regarding maintaining the core commercial area of retailing on the Cobram CBD side of Koonoomoo Road. Zoning of the land for any residential purpose was not recommended given the clear separation of the commercial and industrial land uses to the west of the town, and the residential land to the east, one of the prime strategies of the recently reviewed Cobram Strategy Plan.

3. Project findings

In preparing the planning report, the consultants undertook an economic assessment and traffic and engineering assessment along with a strategic planning assessment including an analysis of land uses and options for planning controls.

The recommended planning controls are:

- Rezone the land at 34 Ritchie Road, Cobram from Farming to Commercial 2;
- Apply the Development Plan Overlay over the land;
- Apply the Parking Overlay over the land.

4. Financial Implications

A budget for strategic planning projects was provided in this 2019/20 financial year and it was identified that this project be undertaken within the year.

There are statutory fees associated with Planning Scheme Amendments including Panel costs if there are submissions against any amendment that is prepared. These fees and costs are accommodated for within the budget.

5. Risk Management

This report will form part of a statutory process for inclusion into the Moira Planning Scheme involving, Council seeking authorisation to prepare an amendment to the Planning Scheme, Public Exhibition of the Amendment, consideration of any

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submissions, possible Planning Panel, Council consideration to adopt the Amendment and Ministerial consideration to approve the Amendment.

6. Consultation

In preparing the planning report the planning consultants contacted relevant statutory authorities seeking comment and advice on their servicing requirements.

The Planning Report and plans were placed on public exhibition for 4 weeks in February last year and 8 submissions were received. These submissions were forwarded to the planning consultant for review and to provide comment and recommendations. These submissions are outlined in a spreadsheet with comments from the consultant which is attached to this report.

The responses to the submissions will result in some changes to the Planning Report, however there are no changes to the recommendations to rezone the land to Commercial 2 and apply the Development Plan and Parking Overlays accordingly.

7. Regional Context

This project is localised to one site within Cobram township, without having regional implications. Cobram is a supportive town to the 5 major towns within the Hume Region for growth and lifestyle opportunities.

8. Council Plan Strategy

The objective of the Strategy 2 - A thriving local economy is:

- *We will support local businesses and attract new investment to generate employment opportunities*

The project and recommendations of the Planning Report met this objective.

9. Legislative / Policy Implications

This strategic planning report will provide the basis for an amendment to the planning scheme to rezone a parcel of land that is important to the growth and development of Cobram township. The Planning and Environment Act 1987 provides the statutory process for the planning scheme amendment.

10. Environmental Impact

The subject land contains a few remnant native trees. The proposed treatment of these trees are to incorporate most of them in an open space area on the Development Plan.

11. Conflict of Interest Considerations

There are no officer conflicts of interest in the preparation of this report.

12. Conclusion

The planning investigation into the future use and development of the site at 34 Ritchie Road, Cobram has been undertaken analysing the site characteristics, servicing constraints, land uses, planning controls and land economics, as well as the planning history which included, the formation of the Cobram Strategy Plan 2007, review of the MSS 2016, Major Towns Strategy Review 2018, Planning Panel Report on Amendment C77 and a VCAT case which discussed strategic matters in relation to a proposed development for the site.

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The planning report and outline development plan was placed on public exhibition whereby submissions were received however they did not influence any change to the recommendations to rezone the land to Commercial 2, and apply the Development Plan and Parking Overlays.

The recommendations of the planning report are considered sound therefore in order to implement the recommendations, a request to the Minister for Planning to prepare a Planning Scheme Amendment is required.

Attachments

- 1 Planning Report
- 2 Proposed Development Plan
- 3 Economic Assessment
- 4 Traffic and Drainage Assessment
- 5 Summary of Submissions

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ATTACHMENT No [1] - Planning Report



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1 Introduction

This Planning Report has been prepared by Echelon Planning for Moira Shire council to investigate options for the future use of the site at 34 Ritchie Road, Cobram (herein referred to as the 'subject site').

Cobram is located within the Moira Shire municipal area and is one of two major towns within the municipality, with the other centre being Yarrawonga, which is located 30km to the east. The population of Cobram at the 2016 Census was 6,014¹. The overall municipality population is currently estimated at 29,000 and is expected to grow to 31,660 by 2031².

The subject site is located within the western edge of the settlement boundary of Cobram, approximately 2km from the town centre. The site is currently zoned Farming Zone and has been previously identified in the Cobram Strategy Plan as a possible location for a business park.

This Report provides a review of the subject site and its physical and policy context, to determine the most appropriate future land use and zone for the site.

This report is accompanied by the following documents that have been prepared to inform this investigation:

- Economic Assessment (prepared by Blair Warman Economics)
- Context Plan (prepared by Patch Design) – see Attachment 1
- Traffic Engineering & Drainage Advice (prepared by Transport and Traffic Solutions)

In preparing this report, discussions were held with the landowner's planning representative and existing infrastructure provision and the corresponding locations were sought from Goulburn Valley Water, CitiPower/Powercor, Telstra and NBN Co.

¹ ABS 2016 Census

² Victoria in Future 2019 – LGA VIF2019 Profiles.



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2 Site Surrounds

2.1 Site Interfaces

The subject site is located approximately 2 kilometers west of the town centre of Cobram. The site has three key interfaces which are described in the table below.



Figure 1. Aerial Photo





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| <p>North-east (700m boundary length to Cobram Koonoomoo Road)</p> | <p>The site is bound by the Cobram-Koonoomoo Road to the north east. Cobram Koonoomoo Road is an arterial road (Road Zone Category 1). To the north-east of the subject site is the Oasis Village, which is developed and used as a Caravan Park and Mobile Home Park (zoned Mixed Use Zone). A large area of Industrial 1 zoned land is located further north east of the site that includes the Cobram meatworks site.</p>  <p>Looking south east along Cobram – Koonoomoo Road with the subject site to the right of the photo.</p> |
| <p>South-east (820m boundary length to the rear of C22 lots)</p> | <p>Land directly abutting the south-eastern boundary of the site is zoned Commercial 2 Zone and has been developed for a range of uses including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cobram Italian Social Club (Place of assembly) • Advanced Dairy Systems, Totalspan Cobram and GM Plastic Molding and Packaging (Rural Industry and Service Industry) • Cobram Auto Body, Cobram Windscreens (Motor repairs) • Murray Valley Marine (Motor vehicle, boat, or caravan sales) <p>Lots located along this edge front onto Murray Valley Highway and generally range in size between (900 sqm and 18,600 sqm).</p>  <p>Looking east from Richie Road with subject site in the foreground and the back of the C22 lots that front the Murray Valley Highway in the background.</p> |
| <p>West (1070m boundary length to Ritchie Road)</p> | <p>The site is bound by Ritchie Road to the west, which is a local rural road. Further west of the site is land zoned Special Use Zone – Schedule 1 which is being developed as a residential village development (Green Palms Village, Cobram).</p> |



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The location of the site in relation to the wider town is illustrated on the Context Plan at Attachment 1.

2.2 The Site

The site is approximately 31 hectares and is identified as Lot 1 and 2 of LP112844. The property is triangular in shape and is a vacant lot with some trees scattered across the northern portion of the site and clustered along the road frontages. The site is relatively flat, with low points within the north-western and most eastern points of the site.

The site currently has a single informal access point from Cobram – Koonoomoo Road and two formalised access points along Ritchie Road. The site is served by the Cobram Town service public bus route, however this only runs once per day on Tuesdays and Fridays. There is a shared path for pedestrians and cyclists on the north side of Cobram-Koonoomoo Road which connects to the town centre and a path through the site connecting to Green Palms Drive. Refer to the Traffic Engineering and Drainage advice for further details of the transport network.

The site has access to the following services:

Electricity

High voltage overhead lines are located within the eastern edge of the road reserve along Ritchie Road, with substations located in proximity to the existing subdivision at 85 Ritchie Road. High voltage overhead lines also run along Cobram – Koonoomoo Road on the north eastern side of the road.

Water

Water mains run along the western edge of Ritchie Road, and partially along Murray Valley Highway and Cobram-Koonoomoo Road (within the vicinity of the site).

Sewer

Sewer mains run along the north eastern edge of Cobram-Koonoomoo Road, terminating approximately 120m past the eastern corner of the subject site.

Telecommunications

Telstra cables (trenching) run along the north eastern side of Cobram – Koonoomoo Road and along the western side of Ritchie Road, terminating at the southern boundary of 85 Ritchie Road.

Storm water

Council supplied data indicates that stormwater drains and pits exist adjacent to the north east corner of the subject site (near the intersection of Cobram – Koonoomoo Road and Racecourse Road).



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Natural Gas

Existing gas infrastructure (gas pipelines) run along the north eastern side of Cobram – Koonoomoo Road and along the western side of Richie Road.

2.3 Zoning

Clause 35.07 Farming Zone – Schedule 1

The site is located within the Farming Zone – Schedule 1. The purpose of this zone is:

- To implement the State Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement and local planning policies.
- To provide for the use of land for agriculture.
- To encourage the retention of productive agricultural land.
- To ensure that non-agricultural uses, including dwellings, do not adversely affect the use of land for agriculture.
- To encourage the retention of employment and population to support rural communities.
- To encourage use and development of land based on comprehensive and sustainable land management practices and infrastructure provision

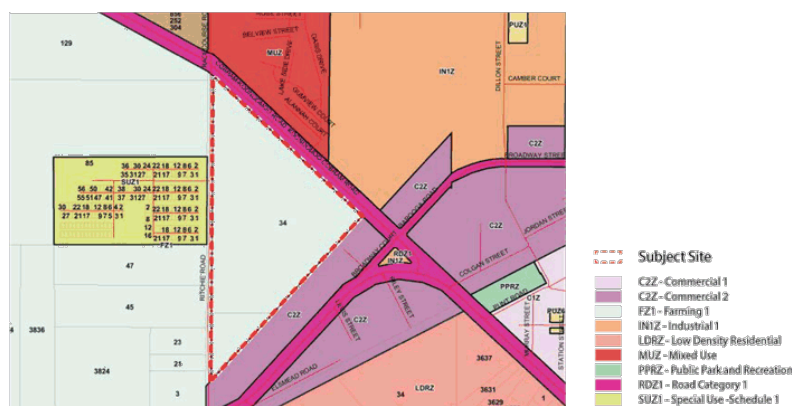


Figure 1. Zone Plan

Section 1 uses, permit as of right, under the existing Farming Zone Schedule 1 include, but are not limited to:

- Agriculture
- Bed and breakfast (maximum 10 persons)
- Cattle feedlot (less than 1,000 head)
- Dwelling (one per lot)
- Rural Store (in conjunction with Agriculture)

Section 2 uses, permit required, under the existing Farming Zone Schedule 1 that might be anticipated on a site with similar characteristics to the subject site include, but are not limited to:



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- Camping and caravan park
- Emergency services facility
- Group accommodation
- Industry
- Manufacturing sales
- Place of assembly (other than Amusement parlour, Night club, Carnival and Circus)
- Primary school
- Secondary school

Schedule 1 to the Farming Zone specifies additional spatial requirements to ensure subdivision and/or buildings and works are consistent with the overall zone purpose while responding to local conditions. Notable requirements include a minimum subdivision size of 60ha and the requirement to include a minimum setback of 100m for most uses from a dwelling not in the same ownership.

2.4 Overlays

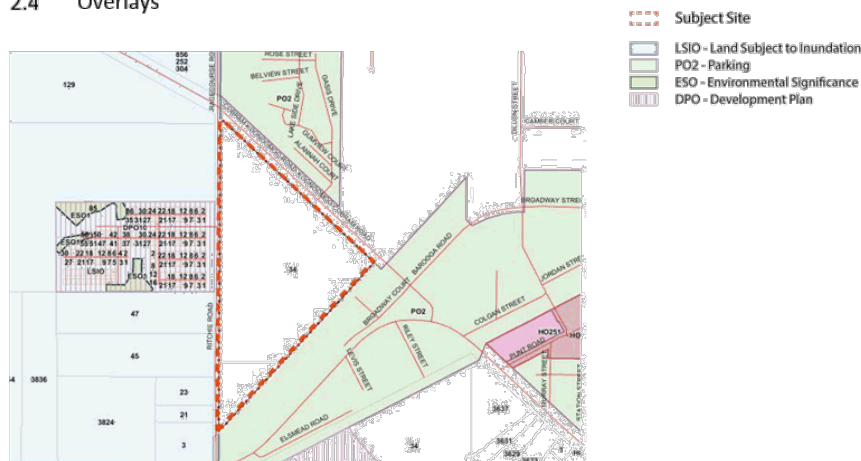


Figure 2. Overlay Plan

No overlay affect the site.

2.5 Other provisions

The requirements of Clause 52.19 – Road access are relevant to the future development of the site. As Cobram – Koonoomoo Road is classified as a Category 1 Road Zone, a permit is required to alter or create access to the roadway.

Dependant on any future use or buildings and works, additional provisions of the Moira Planning Scheme might apply. For example, under Clause 53.01 Public Open Space Contribution and Subdivision, all subdivision is to contribute 5% of the land intended to be used for residential, industrial or commercial purposes, or a percentage of the site value of such land, or a combination of both.

2.6 Cultural Heritage



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3 Planning Policy Context

The following section outlines the key policy considerations of the Planning Policy Framework and Local Planning Policy Framework as well as the planning controls which apply to the site.

3.1 Planning Policy Framework

The Planning Policy Framework seeks to guide development in a manner which benefits local communities and the wider region.

The following clauses are relevant to future rezoning considerations of the site.

- Clause 11 – Settlement
- Clause 12 – Environmental and Landscape Values
- Clause 15 – Built Environment and Heritage
- Clause 16 – Housing
- Clause 17 – Economic Development
- Clause 18 – Transport
- Clause 19 – Infrastructure

The key policy directions which emerge from these include:

- *Develop sustainable communities through a settlement framework offering convenient access to jobs, services, infrastructure and community facilities (Clause 11.01-1S)*
- *Guide the structure, functions and character of each settlement taking into account municipal and regional contexts and frameworks (Clause 11.01-S)*
- *Create and reinforce settlement boundaries (Clause 11.01-S)*
- *Limit urban sprawl and direct growth into existing settlements (Clause 11.01-1S)*
- *Deliver networks of high-quality integrated settlements that have a strong identity and sense of place, are prosperous and are sustainable (11.01-1S). Relevant strategies to achieve this include:*
 - *Providing for appropriately located supplies of residential, commercial, and industrial land across a region, sufficient to meet community needs in accordance with the relevant regional growth plan.*
- *Ensure land that may be required for future urban expansion is not compromised (Clause 11.01-S)*
- *Support growth and development in the existing urban settlements and foster the sustainability of small rural settlements (Clause 11.01-R)*
- *Hume Regional Growth Plan – Support growth in these urban locations and lifestyle opportunities (Clause 11.01-R)*
- *To ensure a sufficient supply of land is available for residential, commercial, retail, industrial, recreational, institutional and other community uses (11.02-1S)*



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- *Ensure the ongoing provision of land and supporting infrastructure to support sustainable urban development (11.02-1S)*
- *Restrict rural residential development that would compromise future development at higher densities (Clause 11.02-1S)*
- *Ensure that new land is released in areas of growth in a timely fashion to facilitate coordinated and cost-efficient provision of local and regional infrastructure (Clause 11.02-1S)*
- *Consider the distinctive characteristics and needs of regional and local places in planning for future land use and development (Clause 11.03-6S)*
- *Protect the visual amenity of valued rural landscapes and character areas along township approaches and sensitive tourist routes by ensuring new development is sympathetically located (Clause 15.01-6S)*
- *Identify land suitable for rural living and rural residential development (16.01-5S). Relevant strategies to achieve this include:*
 - *Manage development in rural areas to protect agriculture and avoid inappropriate rural residential development.*
 - *Encourage the consolidation of new housing in existing settlements where investment in physical and community infrastructure and services has already been made.*
 - *Demonstrate need and identify locations for rural residential development through a housing and settlement strategy.*
- *Protect and strengthen existing and planned employment areas and plan for new employment areas (Clause 17.01-1S)*
- *Encourage appropriate new and developing forms of industry, agriculture, tourism and alternative energy production (Clause 17.01-1R)*
- *Plan for an adequate supply of commercial land in appropriate locations. (17.02-1S)*
- *Ensure commercial facilities are aggregated and provide net community benefit in relation to their viability, accessibility and efficient use of infrastructure. (17.02-1S)*
- *Avoid approving non-industrial land uses that will prejudice the availability of land in identified industrial areas for future industrial use (Clause 17.03-1S)*
- *Consider all modes of travel, including walking, cycling, public transport, taxis and private vehicles (passenger and freight) in providing for access to new developments (Clause 18.01-2S)*
- *Ensure police, fire, ambulance and other emergency services are provided for in or near activity centres (Clause 19.02-5S)*
- *Provide an adequate supply of industrial land in appropriate locations including sufficient stocks of large sites for strategic investment (17.03-1S)*



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3.2 Local Planning Policy Framework

Local Planning Policy provides localised direction in relation to land use and development objectives within the municipality.

The following clauses are relevant to the site:

- *Clause 21.03 Settlement*
- *Clause 21.04 Environment and Heritage*
- *Clause 21.06 Economic Development*
- *Clause 21.07 Local Areas*

The key policy directions which emerge from the above clauses of the local planning policy relevant to the subject site are outlined below:

- *Ensuring development is consistent with adopted and incorporated strategy plans and town framework plans. (Clause 21.03-2)*
- *Avoid inappropriate encroachment of residential and rural residential development adjacent to rural areas not identified for urban expansion, and industrial areas (Clause 21.03-2)*
- *Clause 21.03-7 provides the following guidance regarding the application of zones and overlays in Moira:*
 - *Apply the General Residential Zone to established urban residential areas*
 - *Apply the Low Density Residential Zone to existing rural residential areas*
 - *Apply the Mixed Use zone to areas within Yarrowonga which have been identified as having mixed use potential*
 - *Apply the Commercial 1 Zone to the retail centres of the four major towns*
 - *Apply the Commercial 2 Zone to areas where highway business activity is encouraged*
 - *Applying the Industrial 3 Zone to existing light industrial development*
 - *Apply the Development Plan Overlay to areas identified for future urban use, where particular issues of design and development need to be resolved*
- *Support the processing and value adding agricultural industries (Clause 21.06-3)*

The key planning issues and challenges relating to economic development include:

- *Facilitating the expansion of the Shire's value adding processing industries*
- *Facilitating retail and industrial growth in the urban areas... (21.06-1)*

Of particular relevance to this site is the policy at Clause 21.07 of the Moira Planning Scheme which provides the following policy guidance specific to Cobram:

- *The existing structure of Cobram, with its clear division between land use activities, should not be compromised.*
- *Short term residential development will be directed to land already zoned.*
- *Medium and long term residential development should be directed to the south east and south once the existing land supply has reduced to around 10 years.*
- *Ensure that open space is provided in strategic locations and avoid the provision of land for 'pocket parks'.*



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- Industrial development will be focused to the north west. A mix of large and small lots will be retained for long term manufacturing and service industrial expansion.
- Low density residential land will be directed to the south west of the town. This area should be serviced with reticulated infrastructure.
- Encourage the establishment of a Cobram Business Park in the area defined by the Murray Valley Highway, Cobram-Koonoomoo Road and Ritchie Road [underline our emphasis].
- Discourage the expansion of existing caravan park to the west of town.

The above points are summarised in figure 2 below.

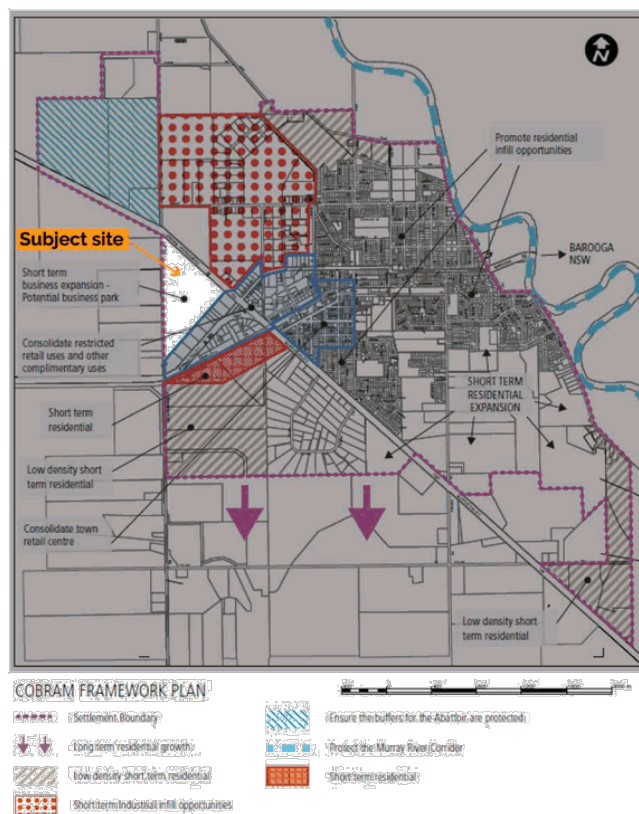


Figure 4. Cobram Framework Plan, Clause 21.07-1 Cobram, Moira Planning Scheme



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3.3 Strategic Documents

Hume Regional Growth Plan

The Hume Regional Growth Plan (HRGP) is referenced in state policy at Clause 11.01-1R and it notes the following relation to the role of Cobram:

"A number of other urban localities in the sub-region will continue to accommodate some growth including Tatura, Numurkah, Nagambie, Nathalia, Euroa, Yarrawonga and Cobram. Some of these locations offer natural attractions and lifestyle opportunities such as rural settings and access to significant water bodies. These towns will continue to support surrounding rural communities by providing services and access to services in larger urban localities. Some of these localities offer unique growth opportunities related to natural characteristics, but growth needs to be managed to protect environmental assets and values and limit exposure to natural hazards, especially bushfire and flood.

*Cobram and Yarrawonga are located on the Murray River (Victoria-New South Wales border) and form part of the cross-border twin towns of Cobram-Barooga and Yarrawonga-Mulwala. These urban locations will continue to provide services to communities on both sides of the border. Cobram is strategically located near the intersection of key transport routes linking Melbourne and Brisbane and Albury-Wodonga and Adelaide."*⁵

Cobram 2025: Cobram Strategy Plan, November 2007

The Cobram Strategy Plan is a reference document in the Moira Planning Scheme and has been utilised to heavily inform the Cobram Framework Plan in Clause 21.07-1. The plan was prepared in 2007, and given effect into the Moira Planning Scheme via amendment C41 on 4 June 2009.

The Strategy Plan sets out the preferred future growth and development strategies/directions for Cobram and it was informed by analysis of future land supply demands needs for the township. The Strategy Plan seeks to reinforce the existing clear division of land uses that existing in Cobram.

The Strategy Plan also raises and discusses the development of a proposed residential village in the south west corner of Cobram – Koonoomoo Road and Richie Road. Three of the key reasons of consideration to the general location (which includes the subject site) are outlined below:

Cobram is fortunate to be structured with a clear division of its economic role in discrete and separate industrial and manufacturing areas; its business role as a service centre embodied in the town centre; its residential role and areas as a housing provider and its recreation role around the river environs. These are clear areas with distinct boundaries...

...A fundamental tenant [sic] of residential and community planning is proximity and access to services, particularly on a daily basis, and the integration of communities into coherent and sustainable neighbourhoods. The proposal is unable to meet these policy objectives in a meaningful way. The project would represent a high concentration of a group of people (approximately 1,300 people based on 1.75 persons/dwelling) whose socio-economic profile suggests that with time, they will become more dependent in a location relatively isolated from services with a poor integration with the rest of the community, as the proposed site is surrounded by industrial or rural land...

⁵ Hume Regional Growth Plan, page 47



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...As part of the consultation for this strategy, Goulburn Valley Water has expressed a clear preference for residential development to be located to the south east of the Cobram town centre as this area can be readily serviced with reticulated water and sewerage⁶.

The Strategy Plan refers to 'The Triangle' (i.e. the subject site) in the Strategy Plan as part of the Commercial Land Strategy, as outlined below:

However in recognising the limited opportunities within these areas [being areas closer to the town centre] it is further recommended that a 'business park' be established in the triangle defined by The Murray Valley Highway to the south east, Cobram Koonoomoo Road to the north east and Ritchie Road to the west [emphasis added]. These three roads are main arterial roads and afford high exposure, particularly the former two. Subject to traffic and transport assessment, it is expected that Ritchie Road will carry increased traffic volumes, especially to provide access to the existing and proposed industrial areas to the north and west of the town centre⁷.

The above recommendation for a business park is reflected in the framework plan and *Local area implementations* in Clause 21.07-1. The strategy plan itself is listed as a reference document in the Moira Planning Scheme.

Major Towns' Strategy Plan Review (Yarrawonga, Cobram, Numurkah and Nathalia) June 2018

The Major Towns' Strategy Plan Review prepared for Moira Shire Council is a periodical review of the 4 major town strategies. The purpose of the review is to *ensure the objectives of the strategies* [of the Moira Planning Scheme] *are realised through policy and future planning scheme amendments into the Moira Planning Scheme⁸.*

The Review makes numerous findings with respect Cobram as follows:

Residential land supply and housing stock

- *There is no need for additional areas for residential development to be identified beyond the existing framework plan.*
- *Growing need to consider new forms of dwellings i.e. units and medium density form, due to:*
 - *an ageing population;*
 - *peak population (transient workers); and,*
 - *smaller family units (2.1 person households).⁹*

Retail and Commercial floor space

- *There is an increased demand for additional retail floorspace to 2031 is expected to range from 7,512m² (2.2m² per person) to 11,567m² (2.4m² per person), depending on retail floorspace ratios (per capita).*
- *It has been identified that there is the need for additional consolidated Commercial 1 Zone, that will allow for the development of a large scale center to allow for a new DDS or large size supermarket 'type' development.*

⁶ Cobram 2025 – Cobram Strategy Plan 2007, page 44-45

⁷ Ibid, page 57

⁸ Major Towns' Strategy Plan Review 2018, page 4

⁹ Ibid, page 24



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- The Ritchies Road site [being the subject site] should be further investigated for future rezoning, potentially to Mixed Use Zone or Commercial 1 Zone, to facilitate future growth.
- Demand for commercial and office floor space is unlikely to grow above and beyond recent trends with future growth in key services sectors such as health, education and professional services likely to define future requirements for commercial floor space.¹⁰

To summarise, the review support for further investigations to be undertaken on the suitability of the subject site to accommodate a 'business park' type use. It does not identify the need for alternative uses on the site such as residential or retail uses on the site.

The review found that there is no need for additional residential areas given the conservative growth rates experienced (and the amount of residential land available and corresponding lower development rates).

The Strategy Plan contained in the Review changes the label for the site from "Short term business expansion – Potential business park" to "Future Investigation".

Retail Policy Framework for Cobram and Yarrawonga 2017

The Retail Policy Framework Options Report and Background Report was prepared as a background study for the MTSP review. It provides guidance on the retail development options of Yarrawonga and Cobram.

This report noted that of the anticipated growth of 2,105 to 2031, it is anticipated that Yarrawonga will see an increase of over 1,980 while Cobram is anticipated to increase its catchment by 126 people.

Using national average retail floorspace ratios, the report applied a range of 2.2m² to 2.4m² of retail floor space per person which based on the projected population of Cobram at 2031, requires a total floor space increase of 7,150m²¹¹. However, of the 7,150m² over 6,500m² is attributable to a calculated existing floorspace shortfall. This shortfall is identified on the basis that currently Cobram has approximately 1.85m² of retail space per person, well below the national floorspace 2.2m² average applied in the options report.

The Framework supported the current spatial forms of Cobram, which were described as follows:

- A compact centralised town centre functioning around Punt Road, William Street, Bank Street and Main Street.
- Bulky goods (hardware) and other retail developments within a centralised C2Z area with frontage to the Murray Valley Highway and Broadway Street.
- A small retail node clustered around Mookari Street within the C1Z.

Cobram has over 8 Ha of C1Z zoned land that is either vacant or used for residential purposes, and over 11ha of vacant zoned C2Z land. This is theoretically adequate supply to accommodate the projected current and future retail development needs of Cobram¹².

The options report makes the following comment in relation to the subject site:

AREA Z - PROPOSED COBRAM BUSINESS PARK

¹⁰ Major Towns' Strategy Plan Review 2018, page 25

¹¹ Rate of 2.2m² per person, including consideration of tourism and 10% leakage to other regional centres

¹² Retail Policy Framework for Cobram and Yarrawonga 2017 Options report, page 17



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Although the C2Z land supply is considered adequate to meet projected demand, there are limited sites capable of accommodating a larger floor plate development (such as Bunnings) with exposure to the highway. Should a development of this scale be required and not accommodated by utilising vacant land or redevelopment of properties in the C2Z, the proposed Cobram Business Park could be a viable alternative in the future to expand the C2Z area.¹³

However, the Options Report provides the following commentary on the potential timing for release of the land through potential rezoning:

The findings of this analysis does not support the development of additional C2Z in the short term due to adequate zoned land supply. However, should Council wish to expand C2Z floor space and provide a development opportunity in Cobram for large scale restricted retail to reduce potential loss of expenditure to other larger centres this location, or wish to ensure adequate long term C2Z land availability integrated with existing C2Z land, a section of this land could be reserved for C2Z use. It must be noted however that:

- *the additional C2Z land supply should be of scale commensurate the development need or long term land supply requirements*
- *there is already two national chain hardware stores in Cobram and an economic impact assessment should accompany any development application for this type of use to ensure the development will complement the town centre offer*
- *the design and layout of the area should integrate with the existing zoned area and not create a stand-alone development node.¹⁴*

The views of stakeholders were sought during the preparation of the Background Analysis report with considerable support for maintaining a focus on a strong urban core:

Decentralised development is not supported. There are two relatively large parcels suitable for retail development proximate to the retail core (old saleyards site and site behind Woolworths). These could be developed to support and extend the town centre.

Do not split Cobram town centre by allowing new development outside the centre, like Shepparton has done.¹⁵

Murray Region Destination Management Plan 2018

This plan provides a strategy for the Murray River tourism region that includes Cobram within the study boundary. Specifically, Cobram is located within the broader Mid Eastern Murray sub-region, that has experienced an increase in both the overnight and day trip visitors.

The DMP sets out some public realm improvement project within the town centre of Cobram and in proximity to the Murray Rive to improve the amenity and facilities of the township. Additional detail on this is provided in the report prepared by BWEC as background to this planning report.

¹³ Retail Policy Framework for Cobram and Yarrawonga 2017 Options Report, page 24

¹⁴ Ibid, page 25

¹⁵ Retail Policy Framework for Cobram and Yarrawonga 2017 Background analysis, page 84-85



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3.4 Planning decisions and proposals

Oasis Homes Australia Pty Ltd v Moira SC [2017] VCAT 1227

This VCAT case considered a proposal for the use and development of the subject site for caravan and cabin accommodation, comprising 24 cabins and site for 24 caravans. The proposal considered by VCAT was a substantial reduction from the original application submitted to Council that comprised around 297 caravan/cabin sites.

Council opposed the granting of a permit for the amended proposal on the grounds that it:

- does not include sufficient information to be adequately assessed;
- is contrary to the settlement strategy at clause 21.04-4 of the Moira Planning Scheme; and
- is contrary to the Cobram Town Structure Plan at clause 21.04-5 of the Moira Planning Scheme, which shows the subject land as 'Short term Business expansion' and 'Investigate Potential for Business Park'¹⁶

The VCAT Member agreed with Council that a permit should not be granted for the proposal, stating the following:

"...the site is not identified in strategic planning policy as being appropriate for the proposed caravan park/cabins. Rather, the site has been identified in planning policy as the place for new commercial/light industrial businesses to locate, potentially in a business park development, so that Cobram can continue to attract these businesses to the town in the face of competition from other townships in the area..."¹⁷

Moira Planning Scheme Amendment C88

Amendment C88 sought to rezone land at 2-6 Colgan Street Cobram from Commercial 2 Zone to Commercial 1 Zone for the purposes of facilitating the development of two supermarkets, a medical centre and retail premises totaling 8,615 sqm in floorspace.

Subsequently, the independent planning panel that considered this proposal concluded *that the Amendment should be abandoned, and the planning permit should not be granted*¹⁸.

The Panel found that the proposed rezoning would result in community disbenefit for several reasons. These included insufficient strategic justification within the Moira Planning Scheme to support rezoning 31,500sqm of land to Commercial 1 Zone, local policy that encouraging specialty retail to be consolidated within Cobram's existing retail core (not in the proposed location) and the scale of the rezoning, which represented Cobram's floorspace needs for approximately a decade.

The Panel Report was considered by Council at its 26 June 2019 meeting, where Council resolved to adopt the Amendment and it has now been submitted to the Minister for Planning for a final decision.

Emergency services facility

The State Government has committed funds to purchase land for the development of a new State Emergency Service facility in Cobram. A preferred location has been canvassed for this facility within the study area.

¹⁶ Oasis Homes Australia Pty Ltd v Moira SC [2017] VCAT 1227, paragraph 8

¹⁷ Oasis Homes Australia Pty Ltd v Moira SC [2017] VCAT 1227, paragraph 9

¹⁸ Moira Planning Scheme Amendment C88, Panel Report, 3 June 2019, page ii



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4 Analysis

This section of the report considers potential future zoning options for the subject site, having regard to the existing strategic planning policy framework that applies to it. This analysis also considers a range of possible future uses of the site having regard to the site's location and strategic planning context. This includes investigating residential, industrial, commercial and public uses (e.g. open space, cultural facilities, emergency services facilities) for the subject site.

4.1 Land demand and supply

This analysis has been informed by the various recent strategic planning studies completed by the Shire over the past 5 years, together with the more recent economic analysis prepared by Blair Warman Economics.

4.1.1 Residential

The Major Town Strategy Plan Review (2018) identifies that there is an adequate residential land supply, and it concludes that *Moirā Shire Council does not need to undertake any additional residential rezoning at this time due to the moderate take up of areas previously rezoned as part of Amendment C41*¹⁹.

The Cobram Framework Plan identifies a long-term residential growth area to the south of the township. Both the Strategy Plan Review and the BWEC report, identify the need to consider different types of housing due to substantial changes in household structures in Cobram. Clause 21.07-1 of the Moira Planning Scheme already identifies that medium density housing is encouraged around the commercial fringe of the town centre, near public open space and local neighbourhood centres and access that is within walkable distance of existing and potential public transport routes²⁰.

Considering the ageing population in the Cobram SA2 area (Statistical Area 2, being areas that present a community that interacts together socially and economically) detailed in the BWEC report, Clause 21.03-3 Housing Diversity outlines the strategy to *promote alternative forms of supported housing such, as retirement and nursing homes, in existing urban centres with a high degree of accessibility to community and social infrastructure*²¹.

4.1.2 Industrial

The Strategy Plan review 2018 found that there are sufficient areas for industrial development at this time²².

The BWEC report found that, whilst there is a significant supply of undeveloped industrial land in Cobram, there is only an estimated 13.4ha of 'development ready' industrial land. Based on a 1.3ha average annual land consumption, this equates to approximately 10 years of industrial land supply²³. The BWEC report also identifies that:

Given the relatively large area of sites compared to the historical take-up rate for industrial land, the ability to also develop sites for compatible uses such as peripheral sales/bulky goods retailing, recreational and tourism related activities will support the commercial viability of redeveloping sites and attracting interest from potential developers. As a result, sites that are located closer to the Cobram town centre and offer exposure to major roads offer greater opportunities for industrial development.

¹⁹ Major Towns' Strategy Plan Review 2018, page 33

²⁰ Clause 21.07-1 Cobram, Local area implementation

²¹ Clause 21.03-3 Housing Diversity, Strategy 1.2

²² Major Towns' Strategy Plan Review 2018, page 33

²³ The area currently under consideration for Amendment C88 includes 2.9ha or approximately 2 years supply



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While there is a considerable supply of undeveloped industrial zoned land, much of this land may potentially not become available for redevelopment in the foreseeable future given the likelihood of existing uses being maintained. In addition, significant upfront development costs combined with a relatively low take-up by traditional industrial activities, is likely to make the development of these sites commercially unviable.

In order to meet both the potential physical requirement for industrial land, as well as provide a wider choice of locations for potential new businesses, Council may consider increasing the supply of industrial zoned land. Any additional industrial zoned land should be strategically located to also support a mix of compatible non-industrial land uses resulting in a faster take-up of land than has been historically achieved. The subject site would offer such an opportunity.

The report also identifies that if existing restricted retail businesses currently located in Cobram's industrial areas had the opportunity to relocate to the subject site, this would free up serviced industrial land for new industrial businesses.

4.1.3 Commercial/Retail

The Retail Policy Framework (2017) found that there is 19.8ha of Commercial 1 Zone and 47.2ha of Commercial 2 Zone land in Cobram of which 10.33% of the C1Z land is vacant and 23.3% of the C2Z land is vacant²⁴. The Framework found that there is adequate supply in both the C1Z and C2Z zoned land to support the anticipated demand for commercial/retail land in land area terms, but that there are limited large sites zoned C2Z or similar with main road frontages in Cobram.

The BWEC report makes the following conclusions in relation to Cobram:

- It is relatively underserved by trade supply, building and automotive supplies retailers when compared to other regional centres of similar size (and proximity to larger townships). The creation of a higher profile restricted retail precinct would provide a more attractive opportunity for these businesses to establish themselves in Cobram.
- Continued restructuring within the local dairy industry combined with a recent improvement in milk prices is expected to support improved profitability, production and on-farm investment. This will have a positive flow-on impact upon the food processing sector, demand for farm supplies and machinery, local business activity and employment in Cobram.
- Restricted retailers are scattered across Cobram and would benefit from being located together within an identifiable precinct with main road exposure.
- If less intensive uses such as car dealerships were able to relocate to a higher profile restricted retail precinct, this would free up land in the town centre for more intensive retail development.
- Cobram's tourism sector is expected to continue to benefit from further population growth in Melbourne and Victoria generally. However it will need to improve its competitiveness relative to other tourist destinations through offering an expanding range of attractions to encourage increased visitation and longer stays. This could include:
 - 'Beverage tourism' activities such as a craft brewery or distillery. This would also provide an opportunity for an associated cafe/restaurant that may also promote local agricultural produce.
 - Indoor play centre or water park that may appeal to younger families.
 - Indoor rock climbing/trampoline centre that may appeal to teenagers and adults.
 - A golf driving range that introduces tourists to the sport before visiting nearby golf courses.

²⁴ Retail Policy Framework for Cobram and Yarrawonga: Background analysis, page 51.



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4.1.4 Public uses

The western part of Cobram has limited access to open space as illustrated in the context plan shown in the Conext Plan at Attachment 1 of this report.

There is also a need to provide land for the new State Emergency Services facility, which will require highway access and separation from residential uses. A preferred location has been canvassed for this facility within the study area.

The BWEC report identifies that Cobram could benefit from increased tourism through the provision of arts, heritage and cultural facilities such as a museum/heritage centre that provides an insight into Cobram's history and agricultural industries. This may also serve to promote the Murray Farm Gate Trail through offering local produce for sale and providing information on producers.

4.1.4 Summary

Based on the various economic and land use studies completed over the past 5 years, the land demand and supply considerations for Cobram can be summarised as follows:

- Residential = It is projected that approximately 500 additional dwellings will be needed in Cobram between 2016 and 2036. The short, medium and long term demand can be met in the urban growth area identified to the south of the township in the existing Cobram Framework Plan.
- Industrial = Cobram has an average annual industrial land take-up rate of 1.3ha. Whilst there are large areas of undeveloped industrial land, there is only approximately 13.4ha of 'development ready' land, which equates to approximately 10 years of supply. Providing areas for existing non-industrial uses to move from the industrial precinct to another site could free up more serviced industrial land in the township.
- Commercial/Retail = There is adequate supply of C1Z and C2Z land to support the anticipated demand for commercial/retail land in raw land area terms. However, there are limited large sites zoned C2Z or similar with main road frontages in Cobram. The creation of a new high-profile restricted retail precinct might:
 - Provide a more attractive opportunity for trade supply, building and automotive supplies retailers (who are currently under-represented in Cobram)
 - Allow existing scattered restricted retail businesses to benefit from being located together in a high-profile location
 - Allow low intensity uses such as car dealerships to relocate from the town centre
 - Could include tourism and recreation uses to encourage increased visitation and longer stays
- Public Uses = The western part of Cobram has limited access to open space, a new State Emergency Services facility is required, and the provision of additional tourism facilities could be of benefit.



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4.2 Strategic Planning Context

The Moira Planning Scheme contains a Framework Plan (at Clause 21.07-1) which sets out the preferred future long-term land use and direction of growth for the township. This plan seeks to maintain a clear division between different land use activities, which comprise the following elements:

- a clearly defined town centre;
- residential uses in the east,
- rural-residential uses to the south-east;
- industrial areas to the north-west;
- commercial uses positioned along the Murray Valley Highway, and;
- business park uses on the subject site.

The Framework Plan includes a township boundary which runs along the western edge of the subject site.

The local planning policies contained in Clause 21.07-1 seek to ensure that development is generally consistent with the Cobram Framework Plan 2007 and contained within the settlement boundary. They note that the existing structure of Cobram, with its clear division between land use activities, should not be compromised.

The Framework plan directs residential growth to the south and south east and industrial growth to the north of the existing township, within the designated township boundary.

At a more local scale, the subject site has a direct interface with commercial uses and is also in proximity to industrial and farming uses. In addition to these uses, the Oasis Village and Green Palms residential villages/caravan parks are also located to the north and west of the site respectively.

The Green Palms Village is located outside of the designated settlement boundary for the township under the Cobram Framework Plan.

These existing residential uses are relatively isolated from the primary residential areas of the township and they do not neatly fit within the employment and business park land use vision for this location.

The following local planning policies apply to the subject site and its surrounds:

- Encourage the establishment of a Cobram Business Park in the area defined by the Murray Valley Highway, Cobram-Koonoomoo Road and Ritchie Road.
- Discourage the expansion of existing caravan park to the west of town.

The Major Towns' Strategy Plan Review included a review of the 2007 Framework Plan. It did not recommend changes to the land use framework plan for Cobram. It noted that although other influences have had an impact on Cobram, there has not resulted in a requirement to change the land use form or the Strategy Plan²⁵.

In undertaking the current review, we have again considered the strategic merit of a range of possible alternative land uses for the subject site, having regard to both the current land use framework for Cobram identified in the Moira Planning Scheme, the findings of the 2018 review, and the land supply analysis summarised in chapter 4.1 of this report.

The following conclusions are made in relation to the strategic merit of possible alternative land uses for the subject site:

²⁵ Major Towns' Strategy Plan Review 2018, page 6



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- Residential – The Cobram Framework Plan identifies substantial areas of land in the south and south-east of the township for both short and long term residential growth. There is no need to set further land aside to cater for residential, and in any event the subject site is not a suitable location for such use because it is not contiguous with other existing/planned residential neighborhoods. The Oasis Village and Green Palms residential villages/caravan parks are anomalous uses in their local context and are not considered to be an appropriate precedent or justification for further residential uses on the subject site.
- Industrial – The Cobram Framework Plan identifies substantial areas of land in the north-west of the township for industrial growth. However, the land supply review (as summarised in section 4.1 of this report) has found that there is a relatively limited supply of larger lots for commercial and industrial activities in that area.
- Commercial – The Cobram Framework Plan identifies the subject site are being suitable for a business park. Our review has found that the subject site continues to be appropriate for such uses, given its main road exposure, and its proximity to existing commercial uses and services.
- Recreation and tourism uses – Whilst the site is not specifically identified for potential recreation and tourism uses, the proximity of the site to the town centre and its main road exposure may well make it a suitable location for a range of possible recreation and tourism uses. These would ideally be catered for as part of a wider masterplan for the site that also made provision for business park and other employment generating commercial uses.
- Public uses – There are a range of public uses that might potentially be appropriate for the site. For example, the site could be suitable for the new emergency services facility as it has frontage to the highway and it is located near the Cobram town centre. Such a use would be compatible with the broader aspiration for the site to become a business park. Part of the site could potentially be set aside to meet future needs for local open space within the township.



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4.3 Recommended land uses

Based on the analysis above, it is recommended that the following land uses be considered for the site:

- A business park with a focus on restricted-retail uses to provide opportunities for businesses currently under-represented in Cobram to establish. Zoning the land for this purpose would also create the opportunity for existing restricted-retail businesses and low-intensity uses such as car dealerships located elsewhere in the town to relocate. This would free up these more central locations for alternative retail and community uses. The business park could also provide land for the State Emergency Services facility, and provide for uses catering to visitors such as recreational and cultural facilities.
- An area of public open space to provide access for people living and working in the vicinity.

4.4 Zoning and Overlay options

In order to facilitate the development of a business park on the site, the Commercial, Industrial and the Mixed Use zones are contemplated as potential standard zoning options. The suitability of the subject site to be included within a 'special purpose' type of zone is also discussed.

4.3.1 Standard zoning options

Table 1 assesses the Commercial 1, Commercial 2, Industrial 3 and Mixed Use Zones as potential options.

The following land uses are considered in regards to providing a restricted-retail business park with potential tourism-focused uses:

- Preferred uses (in **bold font** on Table 1):
 - Indoor recreation facility
 - Industry
 - Museum
 - Office
 - Outdoor recreation facility
 - Restricted retail premises
 - Service industry
 - Trade supplies
 - Warehouse
- Potential complementary uses (in regular font on Table 1):
 - Food and drink premises
 - Service station
 - Takeaway food premises
- Inappropriate uses (in **red font** on Table 1):
 - Dwelling
 - Supermarket – these should instead be directed to the town centre
 - Retail premises – these should instead be directed to the town centre
 - Shop – these should instead be directed to the town centre



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Table 1 - Comparison of standard zone options²⁶

| Zone purpose | Commercial 1 Zone (C1Z) | Commercial 2 Zone (C2Z) | Industrial 1 Zone (I1Z) | Industrial 3 Zone (I3Z) | Mixed Use Zone (MUZ) |
|----------------|---|---|---|--|---|
| | <p>To create vibrant mixed use commercial centres for retail, office, business, entertainment and community uses.</p> <p>To provide for residential uses at densities complementary to the role and scale of the commercial centre</p> | <p>To encourage commercial areas for offices, appropriate manufacturing and industries, bulky goods retailing, other retail uses, and associated business and commercial services.</p> <p>To ensure that uses do not affect the safety and amenity of adjacent, more sensitive uses.</p> | <p>To provide for manufacturing industry, the storage and distribution of goods and associated uses in a manner which does not affect the safety and amenity of local communities.</p> | <p>To provide for industries and associated uses in specific areas where special consideration of the nature and impacts of industrial uses is required or to avoid inter-industry conflict.</p> <p>To provide a buffer between the Industrial 1 Zone or Industrial 2 Zone and local communities, which allows for industries and associated uses compatible with the nearby community.</p> <p>To allow limited retail opportunities including convenience shops, small scale supermarkets and associated shops in appropriate locations.</p> <p>To ensure that uses do not affect the safety and amenity of adjacent, more sensitive land uses.</p> | <p>To provide for a range of residential, commercial, industrial and other uses which complement the mixed-use function of the locality.</p> <p>To provide for housing at higher densities.</p> <p>To encourage development that responds to the existing or preferred neighbourhood character of the area.</p> <p>To facilitate the use, development and redevelopment of land in accordance with the objectives specified in a schedule to this zone.</p> |
| Section 1 uses | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dwelling (any frontage at ground floor must not exceed 2 metres) Food and drink premises Museum Office Restricted retail premises Retail premises Shop Supermarket Takeaway food premises | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food and drink premises (up to 100sqm) Industry (other than Materials recycling and Transfer station) Museum Office Restricted retail premises Service industry Takeaway food and drink premises (up to 100sqm) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Industry Service industry Service station Takeaway food premises Warehouse (other than mail centre or shipping container storage) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Service industry Service station Takeaway food premises Warehouse (other than fuel depot, mail centre or shipping container storage) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dwelling Food and drink premises (up to 150sqm) Industry (other than Materials recycling and Transfer station) Museum Office (other than Medical centre; up to 250sqm) Shop (up to 150sqm) Takeaway food premises (up to 150sqm) |

²⁶ The lists of uses are brief lists that excludes some potential conditions/limitations listed in the use tables. Please check the corresponding zone within the Moira Planning Scheme to determine any applicable conditions.

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| | Commercial 1 Zone (C1Z) | Commercial 2 Zone (C2Z) | Industrial 1 Zone (IN1Z) | Industrial 3 Zone (IN3Z) | Mixed Use Zone (MUZ) |
|----------------|--|---|---|--|---|
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trade supplies | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trade supplies Warehouse (other than mail centre) | | | 150sqm |
| Section 2 uses | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indoor recreation facility Industry Outdoor recreation facility Service industry Service station Warehouse | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indoor recreation facility Outdoor recreation facility Retail premises (other than food and drink premises, restricted retail premises, supermarket, trade supplies) Service station Supermarket (up to 1,800sqm and associated shops up to 500sqm) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food and drink premises Indoor recreation facility Outdoor recreation facility Museum Office Outdoor recreation facility Restricted retail premises Retail premises (other than shop and takeaway food premises) Trade supplies | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food and drink premises Indoor recreation facility Industry (other than Service Industry) Museum Office Outdoor recreation facility Restricted retail premises Retail premises (other than shop and takeaway food premises) Supermarket (up to 1,800sqm and associated shops up to 500sqm) Trade supplies Dwelling | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indoor recreation facility Industry (other than Materials recycling and Transfer station) Outdoor recreation facility Restricted retail premises Retail premises (other than food and drink premises and shop) Service industry Service station Supermarket Trade supplies Warehouse |
| Section 3 uses | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dwelling | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dwelling Shop Supermarket | | |
| Discussion | <p>The purpose of the C2Z is best aligned with realising the strategic vision for the subject site to fulfill a role as a business park focusing on the creation of a restricted retail/bulky goods retailing. With as-of-right office, restricted retail, trade supplies and warehousing the C2Z is best suited to ensuring a few planning barriers exist for the development of the subject site as a business park. It provides for all preferred uses (apart from indoor and outdoor recreation) as Section 1 uses. This approach would also represent a logical extension of the existing C2Z area that directly adjoins the south-east boundary of the site. Clause 21.03-7 of the Planning Scheme also seeks to apply the C2Z to areas where highway business activity is encouraged. Whilst does provide for small supermarkets and associated shops and retail premises as permit-required uses, planning scheme policies could be included to strongly discourage these to give Council the ability to refuse to grant permits in order to protect the town centre.</p> <p>The IN1Z could facilitate the development of a business park, although restricted retail premises would be a permit-required uses. The zone is more aligned to providing for industry uses, which could impact on Oasis Village and Green Palms. This zone does have the advantage of prohibiting supermarkets and shops.</p> <p>The IN3Z while allowing for some limited commercial industry, is more aligned to providing for service industry uses and dealing with amenity issues and buffers from more intensive industry uses (typically contained in Industrial 1 Zones). While the subject site is in proximity to Industrial 1 Zoned land, the only surrounding land use that could be considered to potentially require such a buffer is the Green Palms development (noting that the Oasis Village development already directly adjoins Industrial 1 sites). The IN3Z provides for some uses that are consistent with the strategic intent of the site, however given the zone purpose, the uses more associated with business park and restricted retail are shifted into discretionary uses (section 2).</p> <p>The C1Z and MUZ provide for a range of uses that could support some elements of an office park, however having a dwelling use as-of-right would remove any Council discretion to ensure residential growth is directed towards existing residential areas and land already zoned for this purpose. Dwellings are prohibited uses in the C2Z and IN3Z. The MUZ would require a planning permit to be obtained for almost all preferred uses, and whilst the C1Z provides for some preferred uses as Section 1 uses, there are still several that would require a planning permit. The MUZ also generally relates in almost wholly residential outcomes.</p> | | | | |

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The following conclusions are drawn from Table 1:

- The Commercial 2 Zone provides the greatest number of Section 1 (as-of-right) uses associated with a business park, and it prohibits dwellings. It does provide for small supermarkets and associated shops and retail premises as permit-required uses, however policies could be included to strongly discourage these to give Council the ability to refuse to grant permits in order to protect the town centre.
- The Industrial 3 Zoning provides for some business park style uses, however given the Industrial purpose of the zone, the development of key preferred land uses such as restricted retail premises and offices are not as-of-right which removes certainty for planning approval.
- The Commercial 1 and Mixed Use Zones provide for some as-of-right uses that are compatible with business park precincts, however dwellings are Section 1 (as-of-right) uses which would remove the ability for Council to apply discretion and to direct residential development to areas that are planned for residential development and are in closer proximity to established services.

4.3.2 'Special purpose' zoning options

The Special Use, Comprehensive Development and Activity Centre Zones each have specific purposes under the Victorian planning system. They are generally intended to be used in circumstances where applying standard zones (in combination with local policy and/or overlays) cannot achieve the intended planning outcome.

The Practitioners Guide to Victoria's Planning System provides the following guidance in relation to these zones:

"Where the strategic intent of a site is unknown or the application of a combination of zones, overlays and local policies is not able to achieve the desired planning outcomes, a special purpose zone may be used. These zones include the Special Use Zone, the Comprehensive Development Zone, the Urban Growth Zone and the Activity Centre Zone."

Maintaining consistency of planning controls across Victoria is a VPP principle. Using a special purpose zone is therefore discouraged unless there is clearly no suitable alternative."²⁷

Planning Practice Note 3 ('Applying the Special Use Zone') also notes that a Special Use Zone can be considered in circumstances when either:

- An appropriate combination of the other available zones, overlays and local policies cannot give effect to the desired objectives or requirements, or;
- The site adjoins more than one zone and the strategic intent of the site, if it was to be redeveloped, is not known and it is therefore not possible to determine which zone is appropriate.

It also notes that application of the Special Use Zone is not appropriate when an alternative zone can achieve a similar outcome, with appropriate support from local policies and overlays.

Considering the above, the existing alternative zones can achieve the desired outcomes of the site to become a 'business park' style development that is complementary to the surrounding uses.

²⁷ Practitioners Guide to Victoria's Planning System Version 1.1. Page 33



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4.3.3 Overlay options

At 31ha and within the Cobram Settlement Boundary, the subject site is a sizable portion of the township area.

Development considerations for the site will include:

- The arrangement of uses (including employment uses, open space and areas for drainage)
- Lots sizes
- Staging of development
- Access network
- Retention of vegetation
- Built form and landscaping that respond to the surrounding context and provide high amenity outcomes

To facilitate the orderly development of the site, the below overlays are considered to ensure this occurs.

Development Plan Overlay

The Development Plan Overlay has the purpose:

To identify areas which require the form and conditions of future use and development to be shown on a development plan before a permit can be granted to use or develop the land.

Clause 21.03-7 of the Planning Scheme also seeks to "Apply the Development Plan Overlay to areas identified for future urban use, where particular issues of design and development need to be resolved".

Given the considerations listed above, a schedule to the Development Plan Overlay can address these by requiring a development plan to be prepared to the satisfaction of the responsible Authority, before an application for use, buildings and works, and/or subdivision can be approved.

The following requirements are typical of a DPO schedule in the Moira Planning Scheme:

- *The means of servicing to lots including the provision of reticulated water and sewerage to all lots;*
- *Layout of internal roads, service roads and defined access points and the impact on the surrounding road system;*
- *The design and make up of lot density in a manner that reflects demand of the area;*
- *The need for open space and any other community infrastructure as considered necessary by the responsible authority; and*
- *The impact of the development on any sites of flora or fauna significance, archaeological significance or significant views that may affect the land.*

In addition to the typical development plan inclusions outlined above, it would be anticipated that a schedule relating to the subject site would include reference to the staging of the development.

Planning Practice Note 23 (Applying the Incorporated Plan and Development Plan Overlays) identifies that a strategic framework should be prepared before the overlay is applied to:

- *identify and address opportunities and constraints for the development of the land*
- *provide direction about development outcomes and the overall form of development*
- *provide certainty to landowners and third parties about the form of development*
- *assist in choosing the appropriate planning tools to achieve the desired development outcomes and form of development*



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- ensure the schedule to the overlay is drafted to achieve the desired development outcomes and facilitate the development.

This can be achieved by including an Outline Development Plan in the schedule that sets out the high-level design considerations for the site. The detailed Development Plan prepared as part of the schedule would need to be in general accordance with the Outline Development Plan.

The Outline Development Plan could also identify land use precincts and seek to list inappropriate uses that would be discouraged (e.g. supermarkets). This would assist Council to refuse to grant permits for the Development Plan and any subsequent applications for inappropriate uses as these would not be generally in accordance with the Outline Development Plan or Development Plan.

Design and Development Overlay

The Design and Development Overlay (DDO) has the purpose to:

To identify areas which are affected by specific requirements relating to the design and built form of new development.

The Moira Planning Scheme currently only has one area subject to a DDO, being a small area of General Residential Zone land on River Road. As there are no specific design and built form requirements that apply on the subject site, there is no need to apply this overlay.

Parking Overlay

The Parking Overlay has the purpose to:

*To facilitate an appropriate provision of car parking spaces in an area.
To identify areas and uses where local car parking rates apply.
To identify areas where financial contributions are to be made for the provision of shared car parking.*

Areas to the south and north of the subject site (including all existing C2Z land) are affected by Schedule 2 to the Parking Overlay, which has the following car parking objectives to be achieved:

- To identify car parking rates to be provided for the use of land in the Business Zones and the Mixed Use Zone in Cobram;
- To ensure that the supply of car parking is responsive to demand and local conditions;
- To provide a mechanism for cash-in-lieu payments for car parking.

The Parking Overlay Schedule 2 includes modified parking rates for various uses in Cobram's Commercial and Mixed Use Zones.

The schedule should be extended to the subject site to provide a consistent approach between all C2Z land.



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5 Recommendations

Recommendation 1 - Apply the Commercial 2 Zone to the site to ensure there is future land within Cobram to facilitate the development of a business park and provide adequately size lots for bulky goods/restricted retail businesses. This could be undertaken in a staged manner so that land along the higher-profile Cobram-Koonoomoo Road is rezoned first, with additional land to the south along Richie Road rezoned at a later date when required.

Recommendation 2 - Apply the Development Plan Overlay to the entire subject site via a site-specific schedule which includes an Outline Development Plan that includes land uses precincts (and lists inappropriate uses) and the following requirements:

- The means of servicing to lots including the provision of reticulated water and sewerage to all lots;
- Layout of internal roads, service roads and the impact on the surrounding road system;
- The means whereby safe access to Cobram – Koonoomoo Road is provided and rationalised intersection design can be provided to the satisfaction of VicRoads.
- The design and make up of lot density in a manner that reflects demand of the area;
- The staging of development;
- The need for open space and any other community infrastructure as considered necessary by the responsible authority; and
- The impact of the development on any sites of flora or fauna significance, archaeological significance or significant views that may affect the land.
- Design requirements and setbacks.

Recommendation 3 - Apply the Parking Overlay to the entire subject site as this applies to all existing C2Z land in Cobram.



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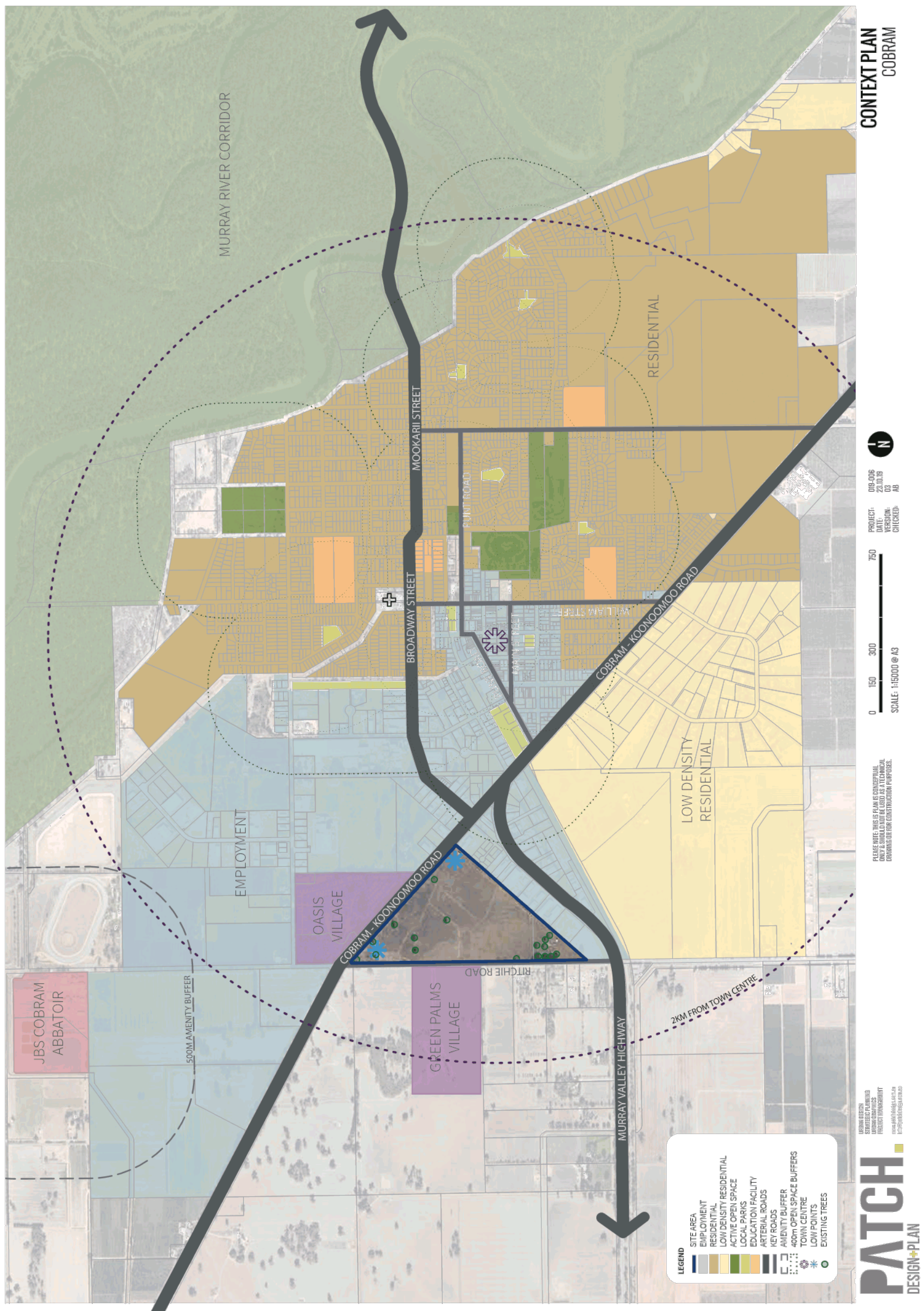
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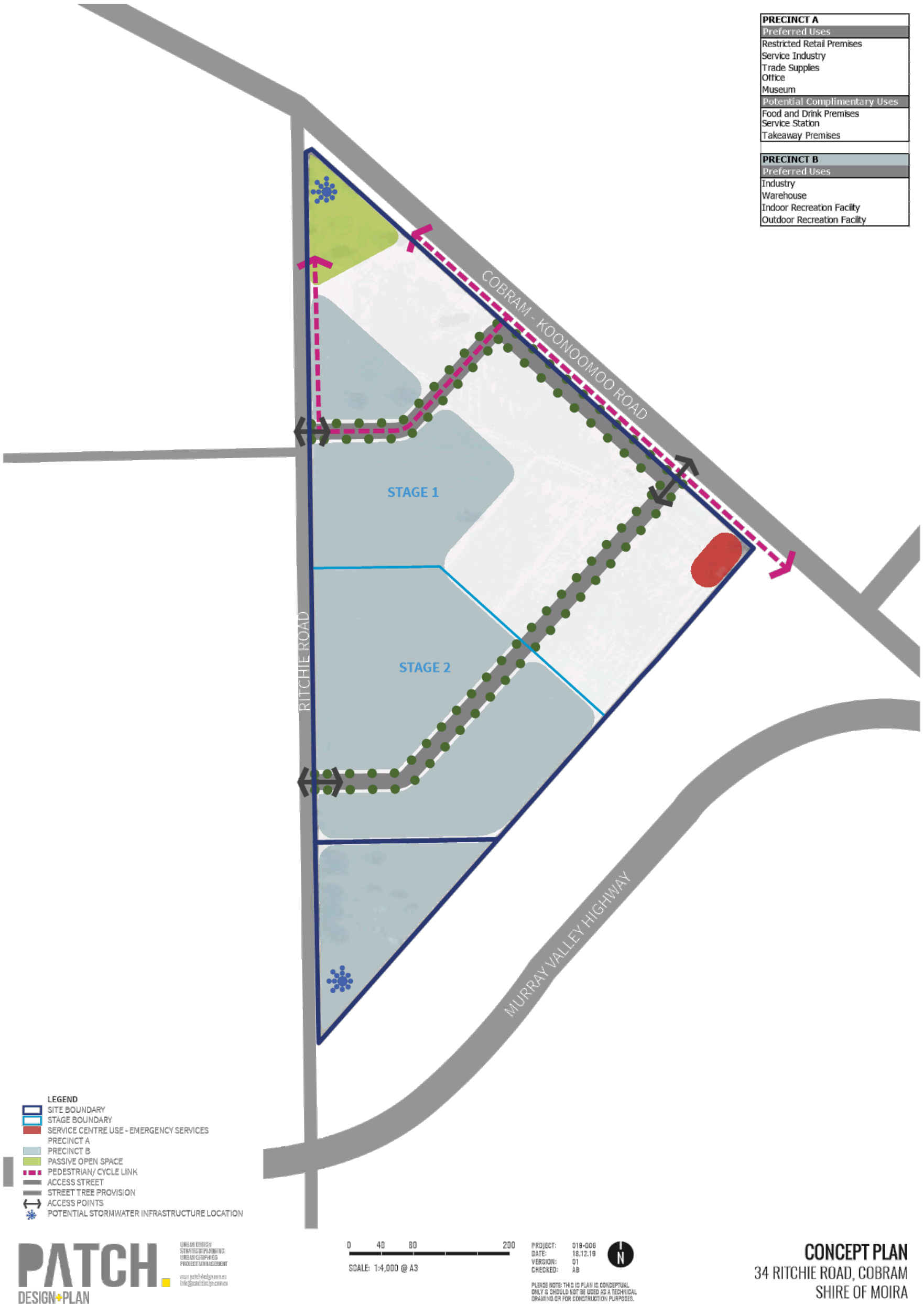
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1. Executive Summary

A study team led by Echelon Planning was appointed by Moira Shire Council in April 2019 to assess future land use opportunities for the site previously identified as a potential business park location at 34 Ritchies Road Cobram.

Future development opportunities for the site will be determined by both its key attributes as well as local economic conditions. The site's proximity to the Cobram town centre together with its dual frontage to Cobram-Koonoomoo Road and Ritchies Road provides the opportunity for a wider mix of land uses than that available to the adjacent industrial zoned areas. This includes both restricted retailing and tourism/recreational activities that may attract additional visitors to the area.

While the existing supply of vacant industrial land exceeds that which is likely to be demanded within the foreseeable future, much of this land may continue to be actively used for agricultural production. Limited depth of demand for non-agricultural uses, combined with upfront development costs, will negatively impact upon the commercial viability of developing these sites as industrial estates.

Recent signs of improvement in the local dairy industry combined with anticipated growth in tourism activity will support further growth in demand for both industrial and retail goods and services. Demand for industrial land is expected to continue to increase at the long-term historical rate of approximately 1.3 ha per annum. Similarly, there may be the opportunity for a number of new trade, building and automotive supplies outlets to establish in Cobram if a higher profile restricted retail precinct were available.

The subject site represents a key strategic opportunity for a mix of complimentary land uses including industrial, restricted retail and recreational/tourism activities. The development of a higher profile restricted retail precinct will provide the opportunity for existing car dealerships within the Cobram town centre to relocate and potentially expand alongside similar businesses that also benefit from being within a more prominent location. Similarly, a number of restricted retail businesses within the adjacent industrial area would also benefit from such a location. Sites vacated by car dealers may then be occupied by more intensive retail activities that consolidate and expand the role of the Cobram town centre. Vacated properties within the adjacent industrial area would also provide greater accommodation options for new industrial businesses to establish within Cobram.

The site's proximity to the Cobram town centre together with its exposure and accessibility may potentially support a range of recreational and tourism related activities, subject to further investigation. This may attract additional visitors, and extend the length of stays, which will benefit other businesses within Cobram.



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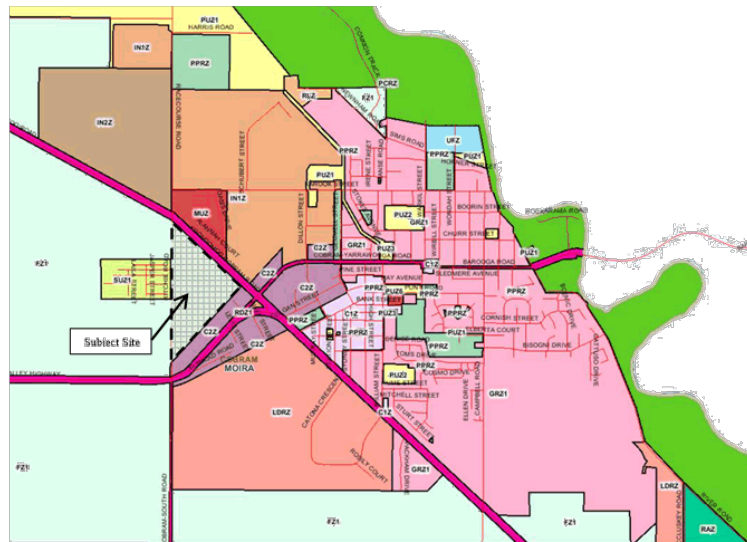
2. Introduction

In April 2019 the Moira Shire Council appointed a study team lead by Echelon Planning to investigate potential future land uses for site located at 34 Ritchies Road Cobram. This site was previously identified in the Cobram Strategy Plan as a possible location for a business park. This report assesses future development opportunities for the site based upon its key attributes and the strategic role that it may play in Cobram's future economic development.

2.1 Location

The subject site is bounded by Cobram-Koonoomoo Road to the north-east, Ritchie Road to the west and existing Commercial 2 zoned land to the south-east fronting the Murray Valley Highway (refer Figure 1). At its nearest point, the site is located approximately 700 metres north-west of the Cobram town centre. Cobram-Koonoomoo Road with provides a direct connection to Goulburn Valley Highway (A39) and southern New South Wales townships to the north.

Figure 1: Subject Site Zoning Context



Source: Land Channel

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3. Policy and Strategy Review

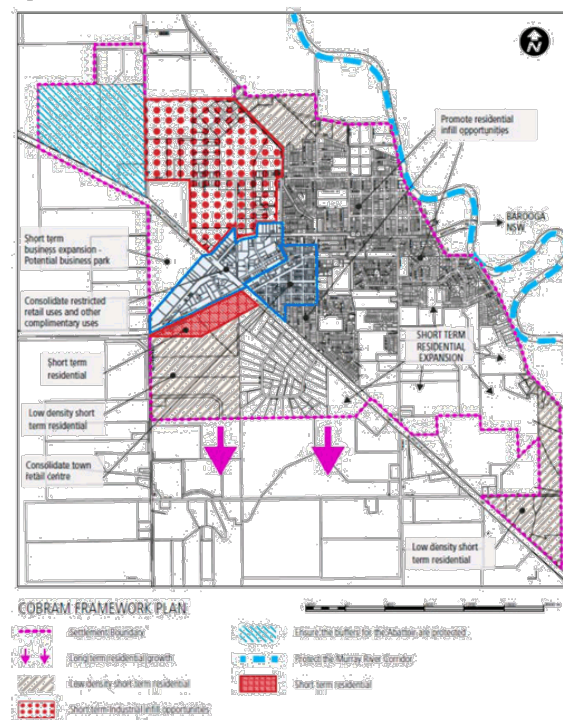
3.1 Moira Planning Scheme

The Moira Planning Scheme highlights Cobram's role as a service centre for the horticulture and dairy industries as well as a major tourist destination. This includes the food processing industry which also generates demand for engineering, transport and specialist services.

The planning scheme provides a number of clear directions for the future pattern of land use within the Cobram township including:

- A clear division between land use activities.
- The encouragement of medium density housing around the commercial fringe of the town centre near public open space and local neighbourhood centres.
- Medium and longer term residential development to be directed to the south-east and south once the existing land supply has been reduced to approximately 10 years.
- The orderly development and coordinated provision of roads and infrastructure, community services and facilities for areas identified for residential development.
- Industrial development to be focused to the north-west with a mix of large and small lots.
- Encouraging the establishment of a Cobram Business Park.

Figure 2: Cobram Framework Plan



Source: Moira Planning Scheme

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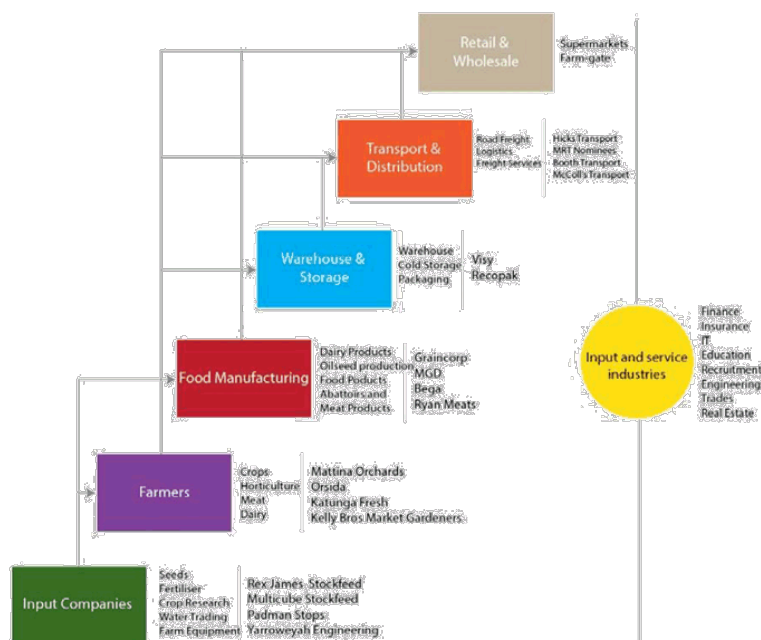
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3.2 Moira Shire Economic Analysis (Urban Enterprise 2016)

While this study was based upon 2011 Census data it still contains valuable information of relevance to this assessment. This includes the following figure which indicates the flow-on demand for farm supplies and services. The report also identifies the potential for value adding within the horticulture industry which would significantly increase the sector's contribution to the local economy.

The report highlights the declining profitability of dairy production which has flow-on impacts upon other sectors. However since this report was completed, the Commodity Milk Price Index has increased by approximately 30%¹, although farm profitability is yet to improve due to the impact of reforms to irrigated water allocations.

Figure 3 Food Sector Supply Chain:



Source: Urban Enterprise

Cobram's accessibility via the Murray Valley Highway and Goulburn Valley Highway is identified as being a key factor supporting its retail and rural services sectors with its catchment population estimated to be 17,720 persons in 2011 (refer Figure 4).

¹ <http://www.agriculture.gov.au/milkpriceindex#>

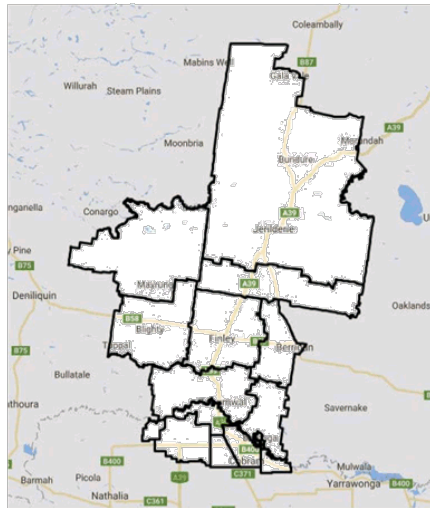
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Figure 4: Cobram Catchment Area



Source: Urban Enterprise

3.3 Major Towns Strategy Plan Review (June 2018)

This review of the Cobram Strategy Plan 2025 was undertaken to provide strategic direction for Moira's four main towns with respect to future housing, jobs and investment. The key findings of this review with regard to Cobram include:

Housing

- No requirement for additional zoned residential land beyond that contained within the existing framework plan.
- A growing need to consider new forms of housing to cater for an ageing population, transient workers and smaller families.

Retail and Commercial Floorspace

- Cobram is well catered for in terms of the amount and mix of retail floorspace and plays a strong regional role in meeting the needs of a large catchment.
- There is demand for additional 7,500-11,500 m² of retail floorspace over the period to 2031.
- The fragmentation of Commercial 1 zoned sites and the continuation of existing uses on Commercial 2 zoned sites limits the ability to offer appropriate sites for retail development.
- Further investigation of the potential for the Ritchie's Road site to be rezoned to a Mixed-Use or Commercial 1 zone to facilitate further growth is recommended.

Industrial Floorspace

- Sufficient industrial zoned land exists to meet current and forecast needs.

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3.4 Retail Policy Framework for Cobram and Yarrawonga (SED 2017)

This study was undertaken to provide direction for future retail development within Cobram and Yarrawonga and includes an assessment of future retail floorspace demand. It estimates that the current provision of retail floorspace per capita within the Cobram catchment is 1.85 m² per person and within the Yarrawonga catchment 2.39 m² per person. The provision rate for the combined catchments is 2.09 m² per person.

Adopting a higher provision rate (2.2-2.4 m² per person) that is consistent with the national average suggests the potential for an additional 7,512 m² - 11,567 of retail floorspace to be supported within the Cobram catchment by 2031. This assessment includes potential demand from tourists but not seasonal workers. This analysis does not distinguish between conventional retail floorspace and bulky goods floorspace. A typical provision rate of 0.6 m² per person is adopted in assessing demand for bulky goods floorspace.

The report notes that the current supply of Commercial 2 zoned land is sufficient to support any bulky goods development, thereby reducing escape expenditure. It however notes that there are limited sites of sufficient size to accommodate larger retailers (e.g. Bunnings) that also offer highway exposure. It notes further that the proposed Cobram Business Park site may potentially support such development.

The views of key stakeholders were also sought during the study, and who identified the following opportunities:

- Entertainment facilities (e.g. waterpark, bowling alley) as a potential attraction for the town centre.
- New bulky goods (e.g. Bunnings) together with the relocation of existing car dealerships adjacent to the Commercial 2 area.

3.5 Murray Region Destination Management Plan (Urban Enterprise 2018)

This plan provides a strategy for the Murray River tourism region which extends from Mildura to Albury Wodonga. The plan is based upon four themes that reflect activities related to:

- The Murray River,
- The natural environment,
- Sport and recreation.
- Food, drink and a key business.

The attributes of the Murray Region as a tourist destination have been classified as:

- Primary strengths, being those synonymous with the Murray region's competitive advantage (water sports, food wine and produce, fishing, houseboats/river cruise, festivals and events, history and heritage).
- Secondary strengths which provide an important complimentary offering for visitors (nature based activities, business events).
- Emerging strengths being tourism products that are currently limited in the region but have the opportunity to develop over time (indigenous, arts and culture, adventure).

These strengths and the four themes reflect a number of identified opportunities and trends that include:

- The role of sport and recreation as a driver of visitation to the region.
- The rise of 'beverage tourism' including distilleries, cideries and craft breweries together with the wine industry, as well as the enforcement of the importance of food and agri-tourism.
- Growth of arts and cultural related infrastructure in the region and the need to develop a contemporary interpretation of the region's heritage.
- Opportunities to capture a greater share of international visitation, particularly from key Asian growth markets.

The plan identifies the underlying strength of the Murray region's tourism market with a 21% increase in the number of visitors to the region over the past decade, with the majority of this occurring since 2012. Assuming that the Murray region continues to capture its share of the Victorian tourism market, the plan projects that the



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number of domestic overnight visitors to the region to increase from 2.7 to 3.8 million over the period 2017-2030. Similarly it projects that the number of domestic day trips to the region will increase from 2.7 million to 4.1 million over the same period. The number of international visitors is similarly projected to increase from 64,500 to 155,850 over this period.

The Mid Eastern Murray sub-region which includes Moira Shire has also experienced an increase in overnight visitors of approximately 20% over the past decade, and similar growth in the number of day trippers.

There may be the opportunity for the Cobram Business Park site to play a role in delivering activities that align with the key themes identified in the Plan which relate to:

- Sport and recreation.
Investment in major sporting venues across the Murray Region is identified as providing opportunities to host various events which attract visitors from across Australia.
- Food, drink and agribusiness.
Despite the strength of the region's food industry, the plan highlights the lack of opportunities for visitors to engage with food experiences. It does however identify the growth in craft 'beverage tourism' (e.g. distilleries, cideries and craft breweries) as a key opportunity for the region.
- Arts, heritage and culture.
The Plan identifies examples of facilities that relate to various aspects of the region's history including immigration (Bonegilla), military history (Bandiana Army Museum), links to Federation (Corowa), aviation history (Lake Boga), and Greater Hume's museum trail.

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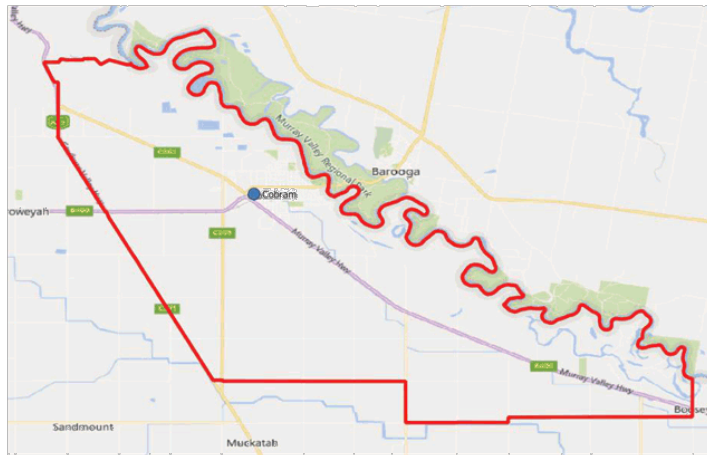
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4. Demographic and Industry Analysis

4.1 Population Growth

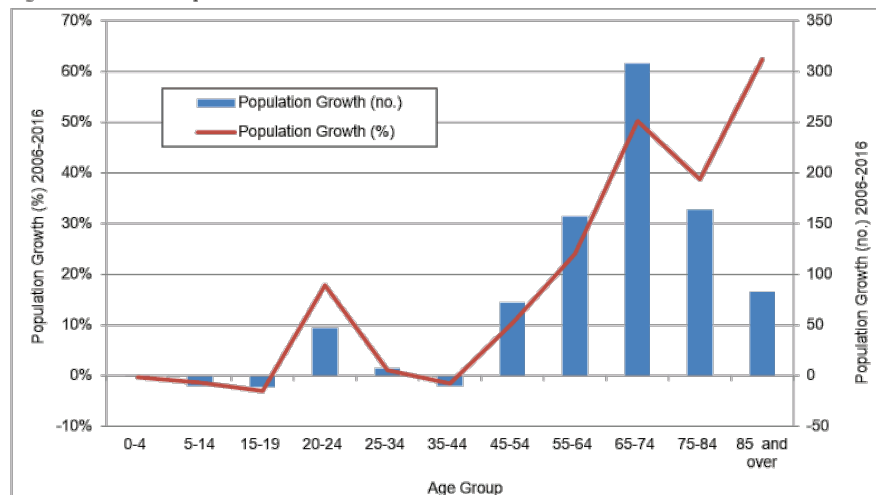
The population of the Cobram SA2 (Statistical Area 2) area increased from 5,528 to 6,348 over 2006-2016, representing an annual growth rate of 1.4%. As shown in Figure 6, older age groups have accounted for virtually all of this growth as well as the highest rates of population growth. As a result, the median age of residents increased from 41 years to 46 years over this period.

Figure 5: Cobram SA2 Area



Source: ABS

Figure 6: Cobram SA2 Population Growth 2006-2016



Source: ABS Census

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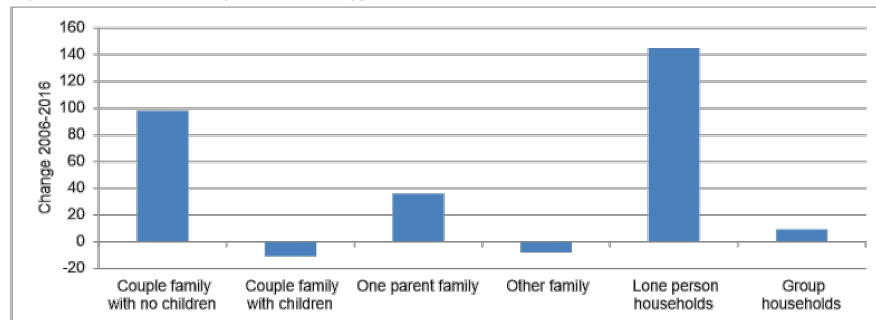
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This ageing of the population has coincided with a relatively large increase in the number of 'couple households with no children' and 'lone person households' (refer Figure 7). The implication of this trend is a potential growth in demand for smaller, lower maintenance, dwellings.

Figure 7: Cobram SA2 - Change in Household Type 2006-2016



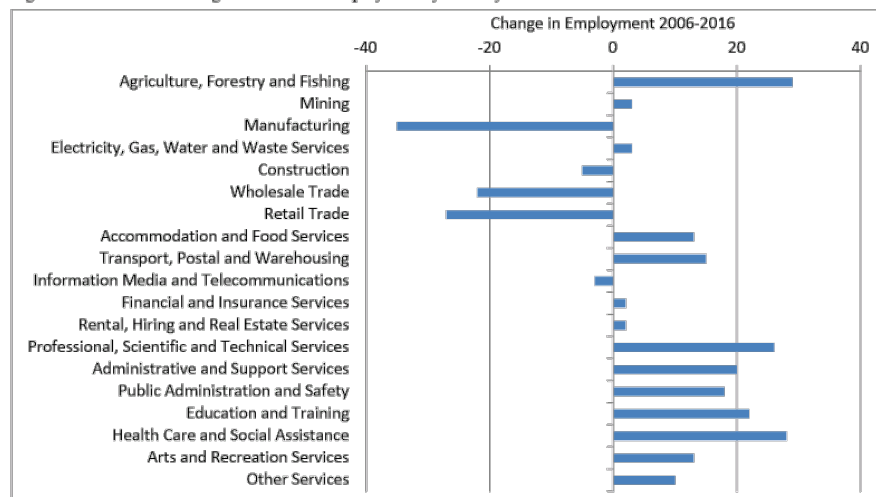
Source: ABS Census

4.2 Employment Activity

An indication of the performance of the local economy may be gained from both the change in employment of Cobram residents, as well as the level of employment generated by local businesses. The number of residents working full-time increased by 6.3% over 2006-2016 from 1,348 to 1,433, while the number of residents working part-time has increased from 12.3% from 660 to 741 persons.

Figure 8 indicates that the services sector has accounted for much of the overall growth in employment. While there are 35 fewer jobs in manufacturing, this represents a decline of only 8% over this 10 year period which is relatively modest compared to that which has occurred at a state and national level. This most likely reflects the dominance of food manufacturing within Cobram which has been less impacted by overseas competition.

Figure 8: Cobram SA2 Change in Resident's Employment by Industry 2006-2016



Source: ABS Census

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Employment growth at an occupational level also provides some insight into the level of economic activity. As shown in Figure 9, there has been employment growth in blue collar occupations such as technicians and trade workers, machinery operators and drivers, and labourers.

Figure 9: Cobram SA2 Change in Resident's Employment by Occupation 2006-2016



Source: ABS Census

The total number of jobs with businesses located in the Cobram SA2 area increased by 7.7% over the five-year period 2011-2016² (refer Figure 10 and Figure 11). While Cobram's manufacturing sector expanded by 33 jobs, the wholesale trade sector contracted by 69 jobs. However these figures may be impacted upon by an increased number of 'inadequately described' and 'not stated' responses. Nevertheless, this suggests that the manufacturing sector has performed reasonably well with employment increasing by 5%.

Figure 10: Cobram SA2: Working Population by Industry 2011-2016

| Industry | 2011 | 2016 | Change (no.) | Change (%) |
|---|------|------|--------------|------------|
| Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing | 282 | 302 | 20 | 7.1% |
| Mining | 0 | 0 | 0 | - |
| Manufacturing | 670 | 703 | 33 | 4.9% |
| Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services | 50 | 47 | -3 | -6.0% |
| Construction | 188 | 206 | 18 | 9.6% |
| Wholesale Trade | 152 | 83 | -69 | -45.4% |
| Retail Trade | 428 | 407 | -21 | -4.9% |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 158 | 180 | 22 | 13.9% |
| Transport, Postal and Warehousing | 115 | 120 | 5 | 4.3% |
| Information Media and Telecommunications | 9 | 12 | 3 | 33.3% |
| Financial and Insurance Services | 56 | 47 | -9 | -16.1% |
| Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services | 41 | 50 | 9 | 22.0% |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical Services | 108 | 130 | 22 | 20.4% |
| Administrative and Support Services | 52 | 55 | 3 | 5.8% |
| Public Administration and Safety | 181 | 177 | -4 | -2.2% |

² Journey to Work data is not available for 2006 using the ABS's table builder product.

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| Industry | 2011 | 2016 | Change (no.) | Change (%) |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| Education and Training | 179 | 220 | 41 | 22.9% |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 324 | 321 | -3 | -0.9% |
| Arts and Recreation Services | 15 | 10 | -5 | -33.3% |
| Other Services | 116 | 145 | 29 | 25.0% |
| Inadequately described | 32 | 132 | 100 | - |
| Not stated | 3 | 63 | 60 | - |
| Not applicable | 0 | 0 | 0 | - |
| Total | 3,146 | 3,389 | 243 | 7.7% |

Source: ABS Census

The number of jobs in Cobram according to occupation may provide a better indication of the performance of the industrial, retail and services sectors. Employment increased across all occupations with the exception of machinery operators and drivers which declined by 2.2% over 2011-2016. The number of technicians and trades workers increase by 1.5% and the labourers by 15.5%. Community and personal services workers recorded the strongest growth with 52 additional jobs, representing an increase of 23.2%.

Figure 11: Cobram SA2: Working Population by Occupation 2001-2016

| Occupation | 2011 | 2016 | Change (no.) | Change (%) |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| Managers | 444 | 461 | 17 | 3.8% |
| Professionals | 396 | 396 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 456 | 463 | 7 | 1.5% |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 224 | 276 | 52 | 23.2% |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 367 | 388 | 21 | 5.7% |
| Sales Workers | 340 | 344 | 4 | 1.2% |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 270 | 264 | -6 | -2.2% |
| Labourers | 619 | 715 | 96 | 15.5% |
| Inadequately described | 22 | 29 | 7 | 31.8% |
| Not stated | 9 | 54 | 45 | - |
| Not applicable | 0 | 0 | 0 | - |
| Total | 3,146 | 3,389 | 243 | 7.7% |

Source: ABS Census

The above employment statistics generally indicate that Cobram and the surrounding region have performed reasonably well in terms of economic activity and employment growth. In particular, the manufacturing sector has fared much better than at a state level where employment has declined by 21.5% over 2011-2016.

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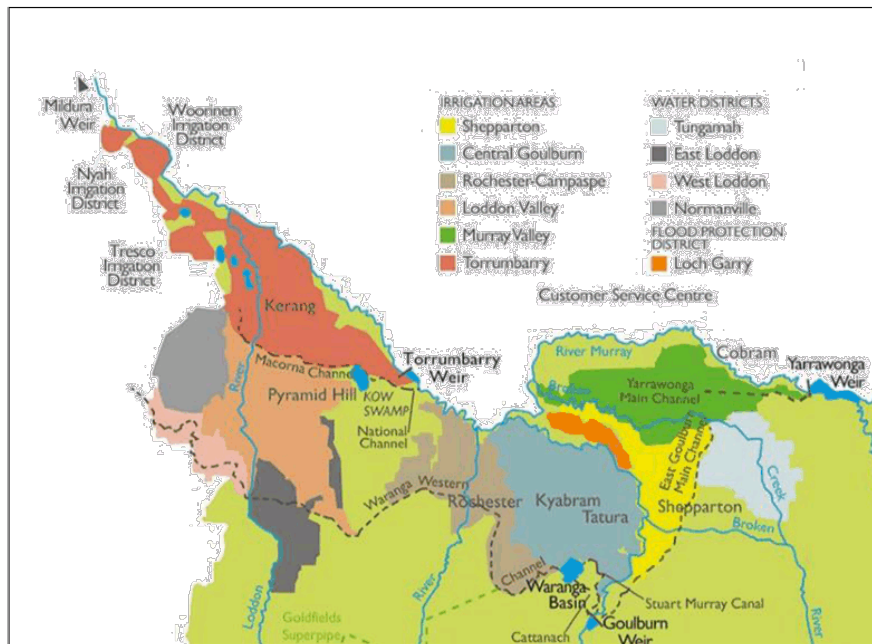
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4.3 Agriculture

Cobram is located at the eastern extent of the Goulburn Murray Irrigation District (GMID), adjacent to the Murray Valley Irrigation Area (refer Figure 12).

Figure 12: Goulburn Murray Irrigation District



Source: Goulburn-Murray Water

The GMID's dairy industry has experienced a significant contraction over the past 15 years as a result of market and environmental conditions (refer Figure 13). Despite the ending of a drought in 2009, milk production has not returned to the levels of the early 2000s. This reflects a combination of reduced availability and affordability of water initially due to the 2012 Murray – Darling Basin Plan followed by weakening milk prices. Reduced access to guaranteed supplies of irrigated water has increased costs and production risks for dairy farmers, resulting in a need to adapt on-farm production methods.

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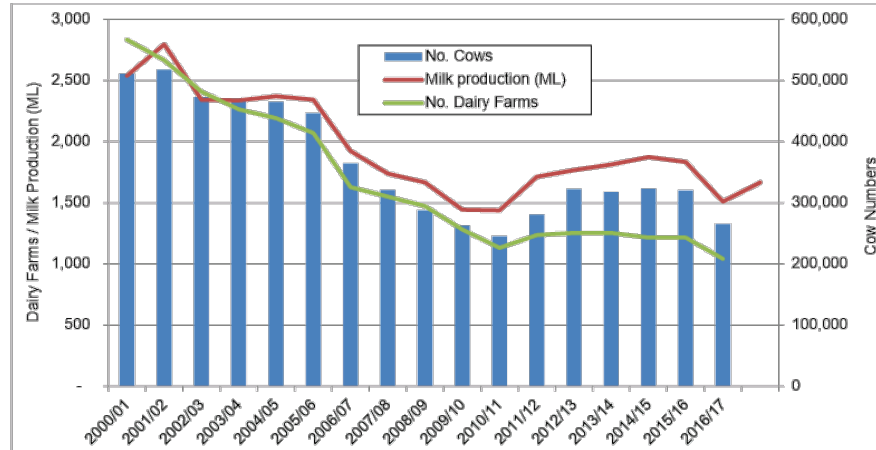
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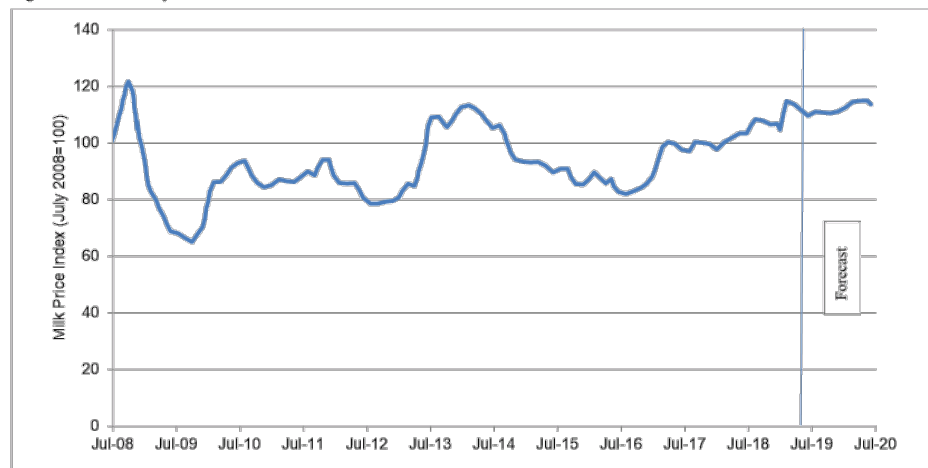
Figure 13: Goulburn Murray Irrigation District – Production Trends



Source: Murray Dairy Future Focus Report 2019

Milk production increased by approximately 10% in 2017/18 which may reflect a recovery in milk prices (refer Figure 14). With recent price rises forecast to be maintained, there may be the potential for further growth in milk production.

Figure 14: Commodity Milk Price Index



Source: agriculture.gov.au/milkpriceindex/

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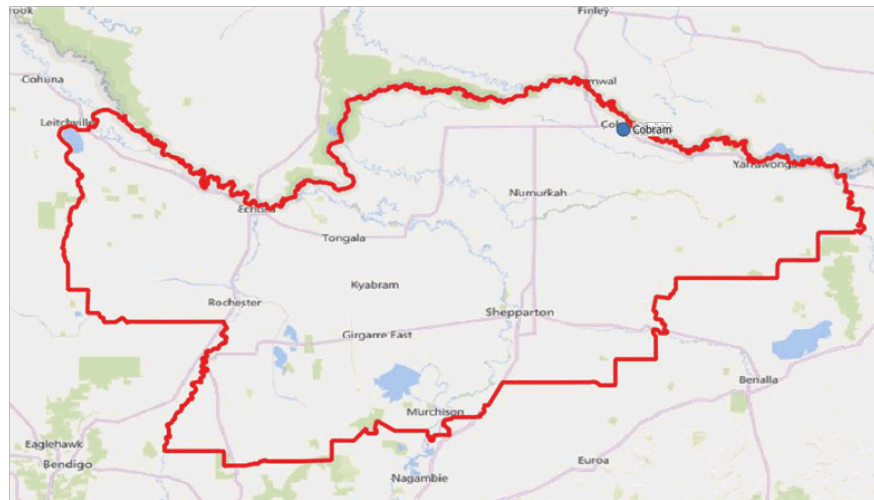
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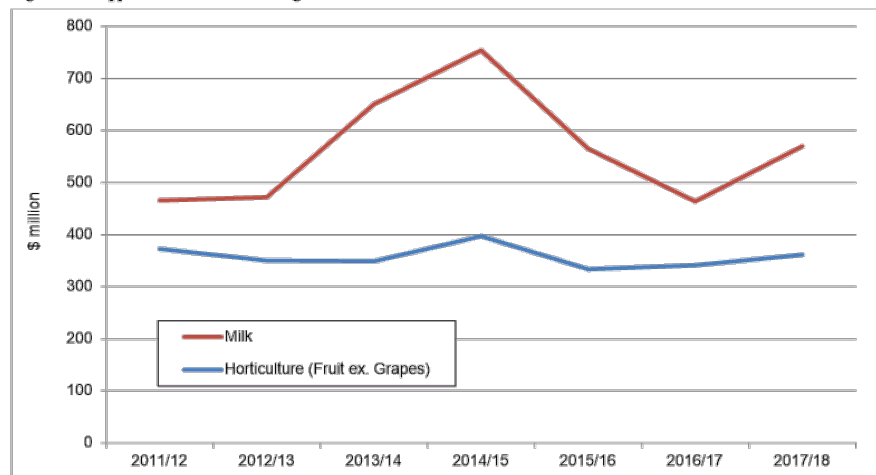
In terms of other agricultural industries, Cobram is located within the Shepparton SA4 (refer Figure 15) where the fruit (excluding grapes) industry is the next largest industry after dairy. Together these two sectors accounted for 50% of the total value of agricultural production in 2017/18. Whereas the value of milk production in this region has declined for the reasons discussed above, the fruit industry has exhibited much greater stability albeit experiencing little longer-term growth (refer Figure 16).

Figure 15: Shepparton SA4 Area



Source: ABS

Figure 16 Shepparton SA4 – Value of Agricultural Production



Source: ABS Cat No.7503.0

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4.4 Tourism

The Murray Region Destination Management Plan identifies reasonably strong growth across the region's tourism sector, with further growth projected to occur over the next decade. This will support the local economy and provide a buffer against future uncertainty within the local dairy industry. Continued innovation and development of new tourism products will create opportunities for Cobram to attract new investment in attractions that may support increased visitation and support for the local economy.

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5. Development Opportunities

This section provides an assessment of potential development opportunities for the subject site.

5.1 Industrial

Existing vacant industrial zoned land within Cobram comprises six identified areas (refer Figure 17) being:

- **Area 1:** Commercial 2 zoned land immediately south of the subject site and adjacent to Murray Valley Highway and Broadway Street. Within this precinct there is a total of 8.5 ha of vacant industrial land.
- **Area 2:** Industrial 1 zoned land located south of Karook Street where there are currently two adjacent vacant sites with a combined area of 16.2 ha.
- **Area 3:** Industrial 1 zoned land within Schubert Street (north of Karook Street) where there is currently 4.9 ha of vacant land together with a large vacant site of 22.8 ha to the east.
- **Area 4:** Industrial 1 zoned land immediately west of Area 3 which is currently used for cropping with a total area of 37.2 ha.
- **Area 5:** Industrial 1 zoned land being the Cobram meatworks site.
- **Area 6:** Industrial 2 zoned land currently being cropped with a total area of 92 ha.

While there is a significant supply of industrial land contained in larger sites many of these sites appear to be actively used for cropping and may potentially continue to be in the future. The development of industrial zoned sites will be dependent upon landowners or developers committing to infrastructure works and other up-front costs which may encourage the continuation of existing agricultural activities. It is notable that Council undertook the development of the Schubert Street industrial estate which most likely reflected an unwillingness of the private sector to undertake such a development.

The likelihood of vacant development sites within Area 2 being developed may be limited by the majority of this land forming part of the site occupied by Saputo, which acquired Murray Goulburn's operations in 2018, and whose products include infant milk powder. Given the growing export demand for infant milk powder it would be expected that Murray Goulburn would retain this land for any potential future expansion. The remaining site in Area 2 is only 5 ha with limited road frontage and appears to be a rural residential property which would be expected to limit its potential for industrial development.

A significant 22.8 ha site in Area 3 would be the next most likely source of potential future supply of industrial land for development. This will however be dependent upon the intentions of the current landowner. Similarly, the potential for land within Areas 4 and 6 to be developed will be dependent upon the intentions of these landowners who appear to be still actively cropping this land.

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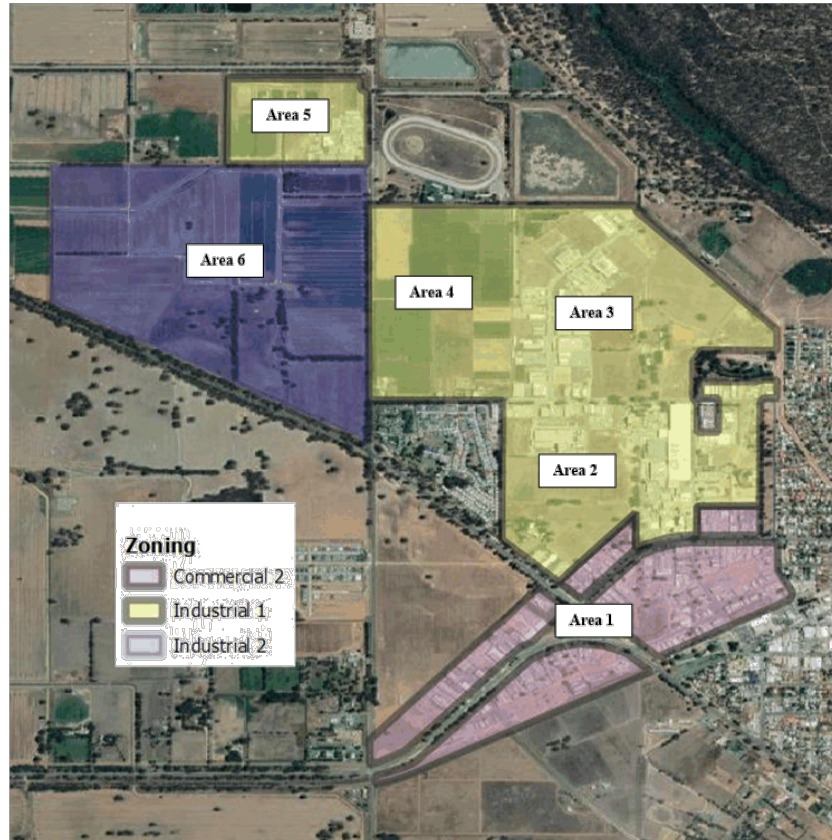
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Figure 17: Industrial Zoned Land



The amount of development ready land is likely to therefore be in the order of 13.4 ha comprising 8.5 ha within Area 1 and 4.9 ha in Area 3. The rate of development of industrial land within Cobram has been calculated from aerial photographs, with 17.1 ha developed over the period 2005-2018 which equates to an average of 1.3 ha per annum. The existing supply of 'development ready' industrial land (13.4 ha) therefore equates to 10 years supply.

Given the relatively large area of sites compared to the historical take-up rate for industrial land, the ability to also develop sites for compatible uses such as peripheral sales/bulky goods retailing, recreational and tourism related activities will support the commercial viability of redeveloping sites and attracting interest from potential developers. As a result, sites that are located closer to the Cobram town centre and offer exposure to major roads offer greater opportunities for industrial development.

While there is a considerable supply of undeveloped industrial zoned land, much of this land may potentially not become available for redevelopment in the foreseeable future given the likelihood of existing uses being maintained. In addition, significant upfront development costs combined with a relatively low take-up by traditional industrial activities, is likely to make the development of these sites commercially unviable.

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In order to meet both the potential physical requirement for industrial land, as well as provide a wider choice of locations for potential new businesses, Council may consider increasing the supply of industrial zoned land. Any additional industrial zoned land should be strategically located to also support a mix of compatible non-industrial land uses resulting in a faster take-up of land than has been historically achieved. The subject site would offer such an opportunity.

5.2 Restricted Retail / Bulky Goods Retailing

The Retail Policy Framework for Cobram and Yarrawonga (refer Section 3.4) includes a high level assessment of per capita total retail floorspace provision. However it does not specifically include an analysis of restricted retail and bulky goods floorspace provision. While the framework does consider there to be an adequate supply of Commercial 2 zoned land to support projected demand for such floorspace, it states that this would not be adequate for larger retailers (e.g. Bunnings) or where highway exposure is a requirement. The framework identifies Cobram Business Park as an opportunity to address this deficiency.

Figure 18 identifies the distribution of various restricted and bulky goods retailers across townships within Victoria and southern New South Wales. These locations have a comparable population to either Cobram or the combined population of both Cobram and Yarrawonga, or are notable due to their proximity to Cobram. These retailers cover trade supplies, automotive parts and accessories, and hardware (Bunnings).

Cobram currently has none of the three trade supplies surveyed (Reece Plumbing, Middy's Electrical, Paint Place), although the former two retailers have stores in Yarrawonga. It is however notable that all three retailers have stores in both Leongatha and Wonthaggi which have smaller populations than Cobram and Yarrawonga and are a similar driving distance apart. Similarly, all three retailers are located in Benalla. This suggests that there may be the capacity for a number of new trade supplies outlets to be supported in Cobram.

Currently there is only one auto parts retailer in Cobram (Repco) and one in Yarrawonga (Supercheap Auto). By comparison Swan Hill and Colac, which have a comparable populations, have four and three auto parts retailers respectively. Similarly, Leongatha and Wonthaggi each have two retailers while Griffith and Echuca, which have populations similar to the combined population of Cobram and Yarrawonga, have four and three retailers respectively. Although Shepparton offers four auto parts retailers within a 45 minute drive of Cobram, Colac with three retailers is a 60 minute drive from Geelong. Based upon this comparison with other towns, there may be the capacity for an additional one or two auto parts retailers in Cobram.

The Retail Policy Framework raised the issue of whether a large format retailer such as Bunnings may be accommodated within Cobram. While Bunnings is located in smaller towns such as Swan Hill, Colac and Wonthaggi, it is not located in similar sized towns like Benalla and Leongatha which have many of the above retailers. Given that Bunnings already has a store in Yarrawonga, the potential for a store in Cobram may be limited.

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Figure 18: Peripheral Sales / Bulky Goods Retailers

| Township and 2016 Population | | Cobram / Barooga 8,002 | Yarrawonga / Muiwala 9,810 | Behuca / Moama 20,424 | Swan Hill 10,600 | Griffith 18,874 | Korang 3,633 | Kyabram 5,899 | Shepparton - Mooroomba 46,199 | Seymour 5,844 | Benalla 9,298 | Wangaratta 18,566 | Gibborne 9,822 | Killmore 6,952 | Kyneton 4,866 | Castlemaine 9,932 | Colac 11,891 | Maryborough 7,496 | Leongatha 5,119 | Wonthaggi 7,917 | Warragul - Drouin 26,163 |
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| Trade Supplies | Reece Plumbing | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Middy's Electrical | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Paint Place | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Tradelink | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Auto Parts / Accessories | Repco | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Supercheap Auto | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Burson | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Autobarn | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Autopro | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hardware | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | | Yarrawonga / Mulwala | 9,810 | |
| | | | Hobuca / Moama | 20,424 | |
| | | | Swan Hill | 10,600 | |
| | | | Griffith | 18,874 | |
| | | | Kerang | 3,633 | |
| | | | Kyabram | 5,899 | |
| | | | Shepparton - Mooroopna | 46,199 | |
| | | | Seymour | 5,844 | |
| | | | Benalla | 9,298 | |
| | | | Wangaratta | 18,566 | |
| | | | Gisborne | 9,822 | |
| | | | Kilmore | 6,952 | |
| | | | Kyneton | 4,866 | |
| | | | Castlemaine | 9,932 | |
| | | | Colac | 11,891 | |
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Car, caravan and machinery sales and trade supplies often co-locate in main road locations resulting in an easily identified precinct as is the case in other towns including

- Echuca (Northern Highway).
- Shepparton (Midland Highway).
- Seymour (Emily St /Goulburn Valley Highway).
- Benalla (Sydney Road),
- Wangaratta (Tone Road and Parfitt Road).
- Kilmore (Northern Highway).
- Leongatha (Hughes Street and Anderson Street).
- Warragul (Queen Street and Pearse Street).

Co-locating in precincts on major roads outside of the town centre often establishes a higher profile for businesses, and being located near similar businesses offers greater exposure to potential customers. In addition, businesses often have the opportunity to occupy larger sites that allow them to expand in the future. Locating restricting retailers in dedicated precincts offers the opportunity for sites within town centres to be better occupied by activities that have a stronger synergies with retailers and other business.

Restricted retailers are scattered across Cobram and would be expected to benefit from being located together within an identifiable precinct with main road exposure. Examples of these businesses and the sites they currently occupy are:

- West Motors (Ford / Hyundai) 38-42 Punt Road 6,715 sqm
- De Maria Mitsubishi 85-91 (984 sqm) and 93-107 (1,947 sqm) Station Street
- Cobram Caravans 104 Broadway Street 4,088 sqm
- Cobram Motorcycles 98 Broadway Street 4,049 sqm
- Cobram Toyota 79 Broadway Street 4,000 sqm
- Carpet Court 69 Broadway 2,037 sqm
- Tyrepower Cogan Street 2,165 sqm
- Repco Cogan Street 1,095 sqm

These businesses occupy a combined total area of 2.7 ha.

The above analysis suggests that there may be the opportunity to establish a new bulky goods/restricted retail precinct within Cobram for existing and new businesses that would benefit from being co-located in a higher profile precinct. The subject site would be expected to be a suitable location for such a precinct given its frontage to Cobram-Koonoomoo Road and proximity to the Cobram town centre. The relocation of existing businesses that would benefit from such a precinct will increase the availability of properties for new businesses to establish within Cobram.

5.3 Tourism and Recreation

The Retail Policy Framework report identified tourism as being a significant contributor to Moira Shire's economy, accounting for 580 jobs or 6.3% of total employment. Tourism demand however accounts for 28% of employment within the retail, food and accommodation sectors within the Shire. Given the increasing uncertainty associated with traditional agricultural industries, Moira Shire's economy may become more reliant upon tourism in the future. Identifying strategic opportunities to increase the number of visitors to Cobram through investment in new attractions and recreational activities will therefore become increasingly important.

The subject site may potentially be a key location for tourism and recreational activities given its proximity to the Cobram town centre and its exposure and accessibility. The Murray Region Destination Management Plan identified a number of potential activities, some of which may be appropriate for the subject site including:

- 'Beverage tourism' activities such as a craft brewery or distillery. This would also provide an opportunity for an associated cafe/restaurant that may also promote local agricultural produce.



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- Arts, heritage and cultural facility such as a museum/heritage centre that provides an insight into Cobram's history and agricultural industries. This may also serve to promote the Murray Farm Gate Trail through offering local produce for sale and providing information on producers.

In addition, there is a range of tourism/recreational activities that may potentially locate upon the subject site to service both local residents and visitors to Cobram. Identifying the potential types of activities is however beyond the scope of this report as it would require more detailed market research.

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Future development opportunities for the subject site will be determined by conditions within the Murray region's agricultural sector, as well as the potential to further develop the local tourism industry through the creation of new attractions for visitors to the region.

Continued restructuring within the local dairy industry combined with a recent improvement in milk prices is expected to support improved profitability, production and on-farm investment. This will have a positive flow-on impact upon the food processing sector, demand for farm supplies and machinery, local business activity and employment in Cobram.

Cobram's tourism sector is expected to continue to benefit from further population growth in Melbourne and Victoria generally. However it will need to improve its competitiveness relative to other tourist destinations through offering an expanding range of attractions to encourage increased visitation and longer stays.

The longer-term consumption of industrial land may be expected to continue at the historical rate at around 1.3 ha per annum. While there is a considerable supply of industrial zoned land, the majority of this is held in larger landholdings currently being actively cropped. The commercial viability of industrial development upon these sites may be limited by significant up front development costs combined with limited depth of demand in these locations. As a result, the availability of industrial land that may be feasibly developed will be considerably less than the existing amount of existing industrial zoned land.

The subject site is strategically significant given its proximity to the Cobram town centre and frontage to both Cobram-Koonoomoo Road and Ritchie's Road, both of which provide exposure and accessibility for any future activities upon the site. Given its location and overall site area, the subject site offers the opportunity for a mix of land uses and activities that may potentially complement each other and establish a recognised destination precinct. Potential demand from non-industrial land uses such as restricted retailing and tourism / recreational will increase the depth of demand, thereby supporting the commercial viability of being developed.

The proximity of the subject site to the Cobram town centre offers the opportunity for less intensive uses such as car dealerships to relocate to a higher profile restricted retail precinct, thereby making vacated sites available for more intensive retail development. For example, the West Motors site in Punt Road may be a potential future supermarket site.

Similarly, restricted retail businesses currently located in Cobram's industrial areas will also benefit from being located within such a precinct, thereby making industrial properties available for new industrial businesses looking to establish in Cobram. The creation of a higher profile restricted retail precinct upon the subject site would also provide a more attractive opportunity for a range of trade, building and automotive supplies outlets that are currently not represented in Cobram.

The subject site's proximity to the town centre may also offer the opportunity for tourism and recreational activities that reinforce Cobram's role as a holiday destination. While the commercial viability of such activities will require additional market research, there may be a role for Council involvement given the potential economic benefit to the local economy.



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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

Transport & Traffic Solutions Pty Ltd (T&TS) has been engaged by Echelon Planning to provide traffic engineering and drainage advice in support of determining potential development opportunities at 34 Ritchie Road, Cobram.

1.2 Site Location & Land Use

The subject site a vacant rural property is located at 34 Ritchie Road, Cobram approximately 600 metres north-west of the Cobram Town Centre. The site is triangular and has two road frontages, Ritchie Road to the west (approximately 1,120 metres) and Cobram-Koonoomoo Road (C367) to the north-east (approximately 745 metres). Existing commercial properties including vacant land are located along the south-eastern boundary of the site. Refer Figure 1.1 below for the site location.

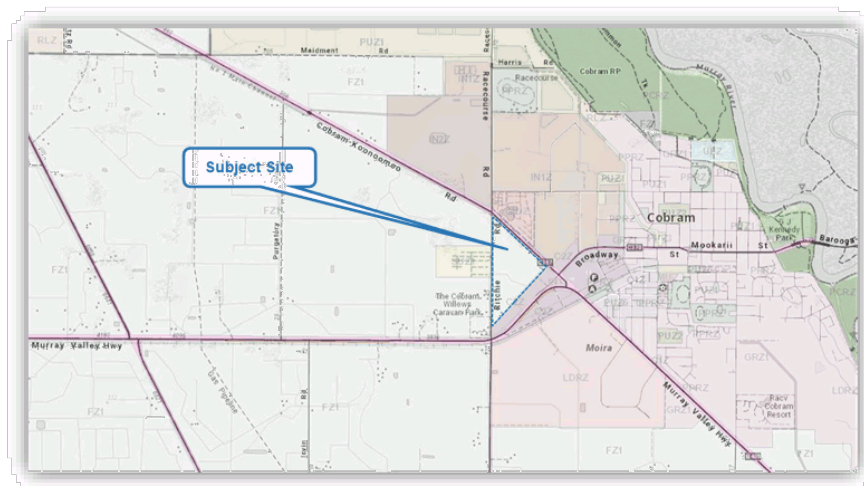


Figure 1.1: Locality Plan¹

The site is flat with an existing dam located in the north-west corner of the site. A gravel path runs through the site connecting Green Palms Drive (west of Ritchie Road) to Cobram-Koonoomoo Road (C367).

The site is strategically located with direct access to:

- New South Wales via Cobram-Koonoomoo Road (C367) and the Goulburn Valley Highway (A39) in the west and Broadway Street/ Mookarli Street/ Barooga-Cobram Road (C370) in the east,
- Victoria's north-west, central and southern areas via the Murray Valley Highway (B400) and Cobram South Road (C368) to the south, and
- Victoria's north-east via the Murray Valley Highway (B400).

The site is located in a Farming Zone 1. Key land uses surrounding the subject site include:

¹ [VicPlan Version 2.2.0](#), Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, State Government of Victoria, July 2019

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- Road Zone Category 1 to the north-east (Cobram-Koonoomoo Road);
- Commercial 2 Zone to the south-east;
- Special Use Zone 1 and Farming Zone 1 to the west of Ritchie Road; and an
- Industrial 1 Zone and Mixed Use Zone 1 to the north-east of Cobram-Koonoomoo Road.

1.3 Existing Road Network Characteristics

1.3.1 Ritchie Road

Ritchie Road is a sealed two-way two lane undivided Council managed road. It runs in a north to south direction connecting Cobram-Koonoomoo Road (C367) in the north to the Murray Valley Highway (B400) in the south. Referring to Moira Shire Council's register of public road, Ritchie Road is classified as a Collector Road.

A posted speed limit of 80km/h applies to Ritchie Road.

1.3.2 Cobram-Koonoomoo Road (C367)

Cobram-Koonoomoo Road (C367) is a sealed two-way two lane undivided VicRoads declared arterial road. It runs in a north-west to south-east direction connecting the Goulburn Valley Highway (A39) in the north-west to the Murray Valley Highway (B400) in the south-east.

A posted speed limit of 60km/h applies to Cobram Koonoomoo Road between the Murray Valley Highway and 125 metres north-west of Oasis Drive. North-west of Oasis Drive the posted speed limit changes to 80km/h.

1.3.3 Murray Valley Highway (B400)

Murray Valley Highway (B400) is a sealed two-way two lane undivided VicRoads declared arterial highway. It runs in an east to west direction connecting the Hume Freeway (M31) in the east to the Sturt Highway (A20) in the west.

A posted speed limit of 80km/h applies to the Murray Valley Highway.

1.3.4 Cobram-Koonoomoo Road/ Ritchie Road/ Racecourse Road Intersection

The Cobram-Koonoomoo Road/ Ritchie Road/ Racecourse Road intersection is a four leg intersection. Cobram-Koonoomoo is the major road leg, where-as Ritchie Road and Racecourse Road form the minor road legs controlled by Give-Way signage. A median island is provided on both minor road legs to separate entering and exiting traffic.

1.3.5 Murray Valley Highway/ Ritchie Road/ Cobram South Road Intersection

The Murray Valley Highway/ Ritchie Road/ Cobram South Road intersection is a four leg intersection. Murray Valley Highway is the major road leg, where-as Ritchie Road and Cobram South Road form the minor road legs controlled by Give-Way signage.

A Basic Right Turn Lane and Auxiliary Left Turn Lane are provided on Murray Valley Highway to separate traffic turning into Cobram South Road from the through traffic. A median island is provided on both minor road legs to separate entering and exiting traffic.

1.3.6 Murray Valley Highway/ Cobram-Koonoomoo Road Intersection

The Murray Valley Highway/ Cobram-Koonoomoo Road intersection is a T- intersection. Murray Valley Highway is the major road leg, where-as Cobram-Koonoomoo Road forms the minor road leg controlled by Give-Way signage.

A Channelised Right Turn Lane and a High Entry Angle Channelised Left Turn lane treatment are provided on Murray Valley Highway to separate turning traffic from through traffic. A median island and a High Entry Angle Channelised Left Turn lane treatment is also provided on Cobram-Koonoomoo Road to separate entering, exiting and turning traffic.

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1.4 Existing Road Network Traffic Volumes

Traffic volume data was sourced from Moira Shire Council for Ritchie Road and the VicRoads data base for the Murray Valley Highway and Cobram-Koonoomoo Road. The average daily traffic volumes recorded on these roads are as follows:

- Ritchie Road (February 2016) - 757 vehicles per day (vpd) two-way.
- Murray Valley Highway (2019) – 7,500 vpd two-way (estimated).
- Cobram-Koonoomoo Road (2019) - 2,800 vehicles per day two-way (estimated).

The traffic volumes recorded on both Ritchie Road and Cobram-Koonoomoo Road are well below the expected capacity of these roads 3,000 - 7,000 vpd and > 7,000 vpd respectively. Where-as the traffic volume recorded on the Murray Valley Highway is well within it's expected capacity of 7,000 to 18,000 vpd.

1.5 Sustainable Transport

1.5.1 Public Transport

The subject site is serviced by the Cobram Town Service public bus route. Two bus stops (northbound) are located 125 metres north of the Murray Valley Highway and on Ritchie Road immediately north of Green Palm Drive, where-as one public bus stops (eastbound) is located on Cobram-Koonoomoo Road near the intersection with Oasis Drive. Buses service these stops once a day on a Tuesday and Friday only.

1.5.2 Pedestrian & Cyclists

A shared gravel pedestrian and cycle path is located on the north side of Cobram-Koonoomoo Road. The shared path runs from the Cobram Town centre in the east to Oasis Drive in the west.

A gravel path runs through the site connecting Green Palms Drive (west of Ritchie Road) to Cobram-Koonoomoo Road (C367).

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2 TRAFFIC ASSESSMENT

It is recommended that an internal road network similar to the one detailed below and illustrated in Figure 2.1 below be adopted for the site. It is noted that this proposed road network is based on discussions with Regional Roads Victoria.

1. Provide an internal Access Road that connects Cobram-Koonoomoo Road to Ritchie Road. The internal Access Road should run parallel to the site south-eastern boundary so that its connection to Cobram-Koonoomoo Road is perpendicular. The intersection of the internal Access Road with Cobram-Koonoomoo Road should be located a minimum of 250 metres from the Cobram-Koonoomoo Road/ Barooga-Cobram Road (C370) (Broadway Street) intersection.

Further the internal Access Road should turn clockwise away from the site's south-eastern boundary so that its connection to Ritchie Road is also perpendicular.

2. Provide a Service Road that connects the internal Access Road to Ritchie Road. The service Road should be located within the site and be aligned parallel to Cobram-Koonoomoo Road if frontage to Cobram-Koonoomoo Road is required.

At the north-western end of the site the Service Road should turn anti-clockwise away from the Cobram-Koonoomoo Road so that its connection to Ritchie Road is perpendicular. The Service Road access point connection to Ritchie Road should be located 25 metres north of the Ritchie Road/ Green Palms Drive intersection to maintain the existing pedestrian path connection within the site.

Further the Service Road should not connect to Cobram-Koonoomoo Road to avoid right turn movements into and out of the Service Road from / to Cobram-Koonoomoo Road which may present a safety issue.

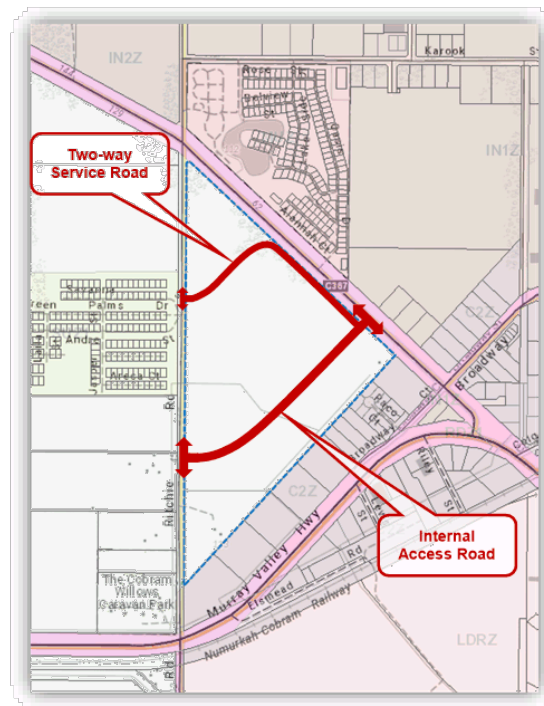


Figure 2.1: Indicative Road Network Layout

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3 DRAINAGE ASSESSMENT

The subject site is located within the Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority (GBCMA). Referring to the GBCMA 1% (100 Year ARI) Flood Level Contour Atlas, it is noted that the subject site is not subject to inundation.

Moira Shire Council is the responsible drainage authority for the site.

As detailed in Section 1.2 the subject site is relatively flat with an existing dam located in the north-west corner of the site.

The existing drainage network adjacent to the site consists of open drains within the road reserve. The nearest underground drainage network is located to the east of the site within the town. It is understood from discussions with Council that the open drains within Ritchie Road and Racecourse Road adjacent to the north-west corner of the site fall towards Cobram-Koonoomoo Road and then north-west along Cobram-Koonoomoo Road.

Based on the above site conditions and the exiting drainage network located adjacent to the site, it is considered that there are multiple options available for the discharge of stormwater from the subject site once fully developed. A few options available are detailed below.

1. Provide two retardation basins adjacent to the sites north-west and south-west corners and discharge the 10% AEP (10 Year ARI) at pre-development levels into the existing open drains located within the Ritchie Road and/ or Cobram-Koonoomoo Road road reserve. It is expected that this proposal will require filling of the site to ensure that the drainage outlet point from the retardation basin is located above the invert level of the existing open drain.

Drainage from each individual lot within the site including the internal road network will need to be conveyed to the retardation basin via a system of underground pipes and/ or open drains.

2. Provide an on-site detention system within each lot and discharge the 10% AEP (10 Year ARI) at pre-development levels into swale drains that are constructed along the internal road network. The swale drains are to then connect into the existing open drains located on Ritchie Road and/ or Cobram-Koonoomoo Road. This proposal will also require filling of the site to ensure that the proposed swale drains can connect into the existing open drains at grade.
3. Provide a retardation basin adjacent to the sites south-east corner and discharge the 10% AEP (10 Year ARI) at pre-development levels to the nearest existing underground town drainage system via a pump station and rising main network. Drainage from each individual lot within the site including the internal road network will need to be conveyed to the retardation basin via a system of underground pipes and/ or open drains.

Note these options are not an exhaustive list of options and there could be more suitable options including combinations of options available.

Therefore, the proposed drainage system servicing the subject site should be thoroughly investigated prior to the development of a lot layout plan and the permit application process. Further any drainage system should be developed in accordance with Council's requirements.

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4 CONCLUSION

Based on the above traffic engineering and drainage advice it is recommended that when an application for a planning permit associated with the site is made it must include the following as a minimum:

1. A *Traffic Impact Assessment Report* prepared by a qualified traffic engineer that considers:
 - The future traffic volumes on the internal and external road network.
 - The proposed internal road layout and hierarchy.
 - The intersection treatment required at the Cobram-Koonoomoo Road/ Access Road intersection.
 - What impact traffic generated from the development will have on both the Murray Valley Highway/ Ritchie Road/ Cobram South Road and Cobram-Koonoomoo Road/ Ritchie Road/ Racecourse Road intersections and where adverse impacts are identified the upgrade measures required to mitigate the impacts.
 - The appropriate speed environment on Ritchie Road.
 - A shared path network linking the site to the existing shared path on Cobram-Koonoomoo Road.
 - A pedestrian path network linking the site to the existing public transport facilities on Cobram-Koonoomoo Road and Ritchie Road.
 - Maintaining the existing pedestrian path that connects Ritchie Road adjacent to Greens Palm Drive to Cobram-Koonoomoo Road.

The Traffic impact Assessment Report must be prepared to the satisfaction of both Council and Regional Roads Victoria.

2. A *Stormwater Management Plan* prepared by a qualified drainage engineer that considers
 - How stormwater will be collected, conveyed, stored, and discharged from the planned development whilst achieving water quality improvements consistent with established WSUD principles.
 - How discharge of the minor and major stormwater flows from the site will not impact adversely on the capacity of the local drainage system.
 - The scale and location of WSUD quality treatment facilities where required.
 - The scale and location of stormwater retardation basins and on-site detention systems.

The plan must be prepared in accordance with the guidelines contained within the Infrastructure Design Manual and consider ongoing maintenance of the stormwater management measures.

The Stormwater Management Plan must be prepared to the satisfaction of Moira Shire Council.

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1 May 2020

34 Ritchie Road, Cobram – Summary of Consultation

| Submission | Comment | Response |
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| 1 | Who owns it? Who gains financially? | The ownership of land within the precinct does not have any bearing on the planning of the precinct. Council to provide response. |
| 1 | Is it going to be more infrastructure to support the dense budget dwelling already established in the area? | No residential development is proposed on the site (noting that the comment refers to dwellings). Additional servicing infrastructure would be required as part of the development of the site (water, drainage, sewerage, power, gas, telecommunications) but this would be installed by the developer. |
| 1 | Is it going to offer more to our local economy for families and tourism? | The rezoning of the land will facilitate a range of new business opportunities, some of which may cater for families and tourists. Section 4.3 of the Planning Report recommends that the business park could "provide for uses catering to visitors such as recreational and cultural facilities". Recommended change to Planning Report: Amend Section 4.3 to refer to the how the business park could "provide for uses catering to residents and visitors such as recreational and cultural facilities". |
| 1 | Will it be more single rate land so the local shire doesn't benefit? | The potential future rating structure that applied to this land has not been a relevant issue in determining the preferred land use outcomes for the precinct. Council to provide response. |
| 1 | Is there a conflict of interest with local council? | The consultants involved in the preparation of this advice do not have any conflict of interest issues in relation to land within this precinct. The consultant team has prepared independent recommendations, and the landowner (the mayor) did not attend the part of the Council workshop where the consultant team presented their findings. |
| 1 | If there is more dense ageing, budget dwelling will the hospital and medical system be able to cope seeing as we already wait 2+ hours to see a GP? | No residential development is proposed on the site. |
| 2 | How much did VCAT cost the moira shire fighting re zoning this land already? If the mayor of the shire owns it and the shire spent ratepayer money fighting it already. | The Council was legally obliged to participate in the VCAT hearing. Council to provide response on budget for VCAT cases. |
| 2 | Dragging people further away from the CBD when there is empty shops and struggling businesses. Didn't the proposed shopping centre get squashed already. | The proposed planning controls (Commercial 2 Zone and Development Plan Overlay) will not allow a new shopping centre to be established on the site, or for uses that would normally be in the town centre, as 'as of right' uses. It will only provide for a business park to be established on the site. Any proposals for shopping centres etc on the site would be inconsistent with the proposed planning controls and policy approach. |
| 3 | I think it is a good idea as long as you use it for something useful. | Noted. |
| 4 | I do NOT agree on 34 Ritchie Road, To being re-zoned as Commercial 2. I feel that they are not attractive situations and should be further out of town and not so close to the two villages. | It would not be appropriate to locate commercial land further away from the town. As an urban use, it needs to be adjacent to an existing urban boundary so that it represents an expansion of the existing town boundaries. A commercial area that is separate from the town centre would require inefficient extensions to services (e.g. water, sewerage). |
| 5 | I think that rezoning land out of town for commercial reasons is purely for financial gain of the mayor. With all the vacant buildings we already have and lack of progressive development happening within the town itself I see it as counter productive for the residence, business owners and town but very beneficial for the mayor. | The consultant team has prepared independent recommendations to Council. The proposed planning controls (Commercial 2 Zone and Development Plan Overlay) will not allow a new shopping centre to be established on the site, or for uses that would normally be in the town centre, as 'as of right' uses. It will only provide for a business park to be established on the site. Any proposals for shopping centres etc on the site would be inconsistent with the proposed planning controls and policy approach. |
| 6 | As a resident of Green Palms Village, Ritchie Road, Cobram I am concerned that the proposed rezoning and any subsequent development may impact myself and other residents of the village due to close proximity. One concern is that rezoning and possible development of a business park would dramatically change the visual amenity from the current pleasant rural outlook including views of the gum trees on Cobram- | The site has been earmarked for urban uses for a number of years in the planning scheme, indicating that it would be subject to changes to its visual appearance in the future. The proposed recommendations include that as many trees onsite be retained, and that a park be created in the northern part of the site where the majority of the trees are located. |



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| | Koonamoo Road to potentially becoming hemmed in by large colourbond sheds which would block any views of trees or greenery. | Richie Road is classified as a collector road on Council's register of public roads (refer to Section 1.3.1 of Traffic Engineering & Drainage Advice). |
| 6 | I am also concerned that any development of this type would greatly increase the amount of traffic and trucks in particular that travel along Ritchie Road. Contrary to the Planning Report, which describes Ritchie Road as "a local rural road", this is already quite a busy road and is frequented by many trucks and other traffic travelling between the industrial areas around Karook and Schubert Streets as well as the Harness Racing facility, towards Cobram Sth Road and to access the Murray Valley Hwy. The Concept Plan appears to indicate the possibility of a road from within the development in question, entering Ritchie Rd very close to the entrance/exit road from Green Palms Village. As a large number of the residents of this village are elderly, I feel this poses a further risk. This is an entry/exit point for walkers and cyclists as well as vehicles. | Recommended change to Planning Report: Amend Section 2.1 to "The site is bound by Ritchie Road to the west, which is a local-rural-road collector road ". The design of the new access points onto Ritchie Road would need to be approved by Council's engineers and would include consideration of the impacts on vehicles, walkers and cyclists from Green Palms. |
| 6 | I am concerned about an increase in the amount and level of noise that could be created by industries so close to residential areas. | All new land uses proposed on the site are required to meet the noise standards set out in the EPA publication "Noise from industry in regional Victoria: Recommended maximum noise levels from commerce, industry and trade premises in regional Victoria (NIRV; EPA publication 1411)". |
| 6 | I am not opposed to the rezoning however I strongly believe that all of these concerns would need to be considered and addressed satisfactorily. | Noted. |
| 6 | I am pleased that some green space has been incorporated in the concept plan but would like to see more green space such as a green buffer or corridor along Ritchie Rd which would create a more pleasing outlook and help to mask any buildings. This could also provide a link to the proposed green space. | Recommended change to Outline Development Plan: It is recommended that the Outline Development Plan include a requirement for landscaping to be provided along the Ritchie Road frontage. |
| 6 | I would also hope that the large trees in the paddock would be retained. | Recommended change to Planning Report: Amend Section 5 to include the following Development Plan Overlay Requirement: "Identification and protection of any significant vegetation" . |
| 6 | I am pleased to see that a cycle/walking track is included in the concept plan but would like more details as to whether the cycle track would be sharing a road with vehicles or would be separate to the road like current tracks already in place in and around Cobram. | It is recommended that the cycle/walking tracks be provided as off-road shared paths. Recommended change to Planning Report: Amend Section 5 to include the following amended Development Plan Overlay Requirement: "Layout of internal roads, service roads, off-road shared paths and the impact on the surrounding road system". |
| 7 | I wonder how a rezoning of land can be completed by the shire when it's owned by the mayor of the shire after rezoning was already attempted by the mayor when he wasn't the mayor. | The consultant team has prepared independent recommendations to Council, and the landowner (the mayor) did not attend the part of the Council workshop where the consultant team presented their findings. It is common for Councils to instigate rezonings on private land where strategic planning has identified that a zoning change should occur. |
| 7 | With all the empty retail and commercial buildings the town already has I wonder if building more in the current retail climate is productive. | The proposed planning controls (Commercial 2 Zone and Development Plan Overlay) will not allow a new shopping centre to be established on the site, or for uses that would normally be in the town centre, as 'as of right' uses. It will only provide for a business park to be established on the site. Any proposals for shopping centres etc on the site would be inconsistent with the proposed planning controls and policy approach. |
| 7 | Considering the mayor pays caravan park rates for all those retirement homes rather than individual rates minimising [the] amount council makes from those residents for the pressure it puts on the local infrastructure, hospitals, doctors etc would these buildings be paying rates from the Owner or from the tenants? | The potential future rating structure that applied to this land does not have a relevant issue in determining the preferred land use outcomes for the precinct. Council to provide response. |
| 8 | It is not strategically justified or necessary to implement further Commercial 2 Zoned land in Cobram. As acknowledged within the Planning Report, Clause 21.07 of the Moira Planning Scheme and Cobram 2025: Cobram Strategy Plan, November 2007, recommend a business park be established on the subject land to; maximise the strategic location of the site on the outskirts of the town and with a main road frontage; encourage and accommodate the establishment of more large bulky goods retailers, who are currently under-represented in Cobram; and allow for existing restricted retail businesses and low intensity retail uses, | The economic report that has informed the plan contains the following conclusions in relation to Cobram: <ul style="list-style-type: none">It is relatively underserved by trade supply, building and automotive supplies retailers when compared to other regional centres of similar size (and proximity to larger townships). The creation of a higher profile restricted retail precinct would provide a more attractive opportunity for these businesses to establish themselves in Cobram.Continued restructuring within the local dairy industry combined with a recent improvement in milk prices is expected to support improved profitability, production and on-farm investment. This will have a |

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| | <p>such as car dealerships, to relocate from the town centre and free up space within the town centre for more intensive retail development.</p> <p>As a result of these strategic recommendations, the preferred land uses (as listed above) for the subject site were established to encourage the formulation of this 'business park' and subsequently, the recommendation for the Commercial 2 Zone was realised.</p> <p>However, our client submits the preferred land uses and zoning set out in the Planning Report fail to acknowledge other, more recent strategic undertakings and recommendations for the subject land and Cobram more broadly, which contradict the proposed land uses and zoning for the site included within older strategies and policies.</p> <p>As stated in the Retail Policy Framework for Cobram and Yarrawonga 2017, there is already over 11 hectares of vacant zoned C2Z land in Cobram, which is adequate to meet the projected current and future retail development demands. Whilst the Retail Policy Framework does recognise there are limited sites capable of accommodating a larger floor plate development (such as Bunnings) with exposure to the highway, and acknowledges a business park could be a viable alternative to expand the C2Z area and accommodate these types of retail developments, the plan goes on to note "there is already two national chain hardware stores in Cobram and an economic impact assessment should accompany any development application of this type of use to ensure the development will complement the town centre offer" and "additional C2Z land supply should be of a scale commensurate to the development need or long term land supply requirements".</p> <p>This analysis indicates that there isn't in fact the demand for further C2Z land, or necessarily the demand for larger floor plate retail developments in Cobram, contradicting recommendations of older strategies and policies.</p> <p>Furthermore, the Future Directions Paper: Major Towns Strategy Plan Review (Yarrawonga, Cobram, Numurkah and Nathalia), June 2018, suggests "the demand for commercial and office floor space is unlikely to grow above and beyond recent trends with future growth in key service sectors such as health, education and professional services likely to define future requirements for commercial floor space" as opposed to the bulky goods and industry based retailers suggested by earlier policies and maintained in the Planning Report. The Future Directions Paper also identifies no new areas of industrial land are required.</p> <p>As a result of these findings, our client submits that the proposed list of preferred uses for the subject land, including industry, warehouse and restricted retail premises are not appropriate having regard to the recommendations of updated strategies, and thus also the provision of the Commercial 2 Zone, which incorporates these uses as 'as of right' uses and states its purpose is to "encourage commercial areas for offices, appropriate manufacturing and industries, bulky goods, retailing, other retail uses, and associated business and commercial services."</p> <p>Furthermore, our client submits that the simple provision of additional C2Z land on the outskirts of the centre would not be enough to encourage businesses within the town centre, such as car dealerships as identified in the Planning Report, to relocate. The uplift of the land value within the town would not be a strong enough cost incentive to relocate. As a result, the newly zoned C2Z land would more likely be utilised by new businesses, which the strategies clearly identify there is sufficient existing C2Z and industrial land to accommodate and not enough anticipated future demand to warrant the creation of large expanses of further C2Z land.</p> | <p>positive flow-on impact upon the food processing sector, demand for farm supplies and machinery, local business activity and employment in Cobram.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Restricted retailers are scattered across Cobram and would benefit from being located together within an identifiable precinct with main road exposure.If less intensive uses such as car dealerships were able to relocate to a higher profile restricted retail precinct, this would free up land in the town centre for more intensive retail development.Cobram's tourism sector is expected to continue to benefit from further population growth in Melbourne and Victoria generally. However it will need to improve its competitiveness relative to other tourist destinations through offering an expanding range of attractions to encourage increased visitation and longer stays. This could include:<ul style="list-style-type: none">'Beverage tourism' activities such as a craft brewery or distillery. This would also provide an opportunity for an associated cafe/restaurant that may also promote local agricultural produce.Indoor play centre or water park that may appeal to younger families.Indoor rock climbing/trampoline centre that may appeal to teenagers and adults.A golf driving range that introduces tourists to the sport before visiting nearby golf courses. <p>The Outline Development Plan identifies two stages of development, and the Planning Report recommends that Council considers applying the Development Plan Overlay to the whole site, and just rezone Stage 1 in recognition that it may take some time for the demand to increase.</p> |
| 8 | <p>The proposed rezoning of the entire site to Commercial 2 Zoned land does not respond appropriately to the site's direct interfaces</p> <p>The proposed rezoning of the land to the C2Z would not encourage uses that are compatible with the site's immediate surrounding context and abutting zones, creating potential adverse amenity issues for existing land owners and occupiers.</p> | <p>It is common for Commercial 2 land to be located on the opposite side of the road from residential uses. In these circumstances, dwellings often face directly onto the road, whereas the dwellings in Green Palms have a considerable setback from Ritchie Road and have an existing fence blocking most views from the road.</p> <p>The purpose of the Commercial 2 Zone includes "To ensure that uses do not affect the safety and amenity of adjacent, more sensitive uses", and decision guidelines include consideration of "the interface with adjoining zones, especially the relationship with residential areas". Industrial uses are only 'as of right' under the</p> |



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| | <p>The C2Z encourages more robust and intrusive commercial and industrial uses, that are ordinarily reserved for sites that are well separated from sensitive land uses, either by the provision of the less intrusive C1Z, a major road, or other natural land buffer. Whilst the IN 1Z land to the north and C2Z land to the south provide appropriate interfaces for further industrial or robust commercial developments, it must be acknowledged that the Cobram Oasis Residential Village contained within the Mixed Use Zoned land to the north of the subject site, and the Green Palms Residential Village contained within the Special Use Zone adjacent to the west of the subject site, are established, sensitive residential uses that would be adversely affected by an abuttal to many of the preferred land uses intended for the site as outlined in the Planning Report and encouraged by the proposed C2Z.</p> <p>Despite their relative isolation and the lack of significant strategic policy support for the location of these residential villages, our client submits it is inappropriate that the Planning Report fails to acknowledge and assess the potential adverse amenity impacts of the proposed preferred land uses for the subject site on the abutting residential properties, and the subsequent implications of future conflicting amenity expectations of the sites existing and encouraged land use context.</p> <p>It is an objective of planning in Victoria (as captured in the Planning and Environment Act 1987) that responsible authorities facilitate development in accordance with the provision of fair, orderly, economic and sustainable use and development of land.</p> <p>Our client submits it would be an unjust, unfair, disorderly and unsustainable outcome to impose C2Z land in a location that shares an abuttal to existing and well-established residential properties, as the preferred and exempt land uses under the C2Z would likely be to the detriment of the amenity of current and future landowners and occupiers.</p> | <p>Commercial 2 zone if they satisfy the separation distance requirements contained in Clause 53.10 of the Moira Planning Scheme. Otherwise a planning permit is required for such use and the potential adverse amenity impacts of such uses on nearby sensitive uses can be addressed.</p> <p>The Outline Development Plan could include a landscaping requirement along the Ritchie Road frontage.</p> <p>Recommended change to Outline Development Plan: It is recommended that the Outline Development Plan include a requirement for landscaping to be provided along the Ritchie Road frontage.</p> |
| 8 | <p>The land would be better suited to the Mixed Use Zone, or a combination of the Mixed Use Zone and Commercial 1 Zone</p> <p>Having regard to the above, our client believes the land would be better suited to the Mixed Use Zone in the first instance, or otherwise, a combination of the Mixed Use Zone for the northern portion of the site and the Commercial 1 Zone for the southern portion of the site, for the reasons outlined below.</p> <p>The purpose of the MUZ, "to provide for a range of residential, commercial, industrial and other uses which complement the mixed-use function of the locality" and the C1Z, "to create vibrant mixed use commercial/centres for retail, office, business, entertainment and community uses" and corresponding land use categorisations of the zones to achieve these purposes, are more appropriate having regard to the recent strategic work undertaken for the site and the sites abutting interfaces.</p> <p>The MUZ categorises key land uses, such as food and drinks premises, medical centre, museum, office and shop as Section 1, as of right uses, whilst the C1Z categorises key land uses, such as office, retail premises and shop as Section 1 uses.</p> <p>As such, these zones would allow for the establishment a large and succinct commercial precinct in Cobram that is able to provide the additional areas of retail floor space required to accommodate the projected population growth, better serve tourists to the town and the anticipated shift in growth of key service sectors such as health, education and professional services, in line with the strategic imperatives outlined for the site in the Future Directions Paper. The establishment of these zones would also not prevent restricted retailers from relocating to a higher profile retail precinct if desired, in accordance with the strategic recommendations of Clause 21.07 of the Moira Planning Scheme and the Cobram Strategy Plan, 2007.</p> <p>In addition to facilitating the preferred future growth as outlined in recent strategic undertakings for the subject land, if required, the MUZ and C1Z would allow for the establishment of select, less sensitive uses, such as industry, warehouse, place of assembly and leisure and recreation, which are categorised as Section 2 uses, requiring a permit. Thus, whilst not eliminating the potential establishment of these types of uses if required, the permit process would simply allow Council to better monitor the expansion and</p> | <p>The Planning Report assesses the potential suitability of the Mixed Use and Commercial 1 Zones and concluded the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Mixed Use Zone would enable residential development with dwellings being an as-of-right, whereas the Planning Report and the Major Towns Strategy Plan Review (Yarrawonga, Cobram, Numurkah and Nathalia), June 2018 both identified that there is no need for additional land for residential development to be set aside in the township beyond the existing framework plan.• The Commercial 1 Zone would result in an inappropriate extension of the town centre which could not be contiguous with the existing Commercial 1 Zone boundary. Allowing 'main street retail uses in this location would have a deleterious impact on the Cobram town centre• The Commercial 2 Zone would allow for existing larger-format uses to move out of town centre, making room for the establishment of other retail uses, plus health, education and professional services.• The Outline Development Plan identifies two stages of development, and the Planning Report recommends that Council considers applying the Development Plan Overlay to the whole site, and just rezone Stage 1 in recognition that it may take some time for the demand to increase. |

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| | <p>implementation of uses which may be better located in other, existing, underutilised commercially or industrially zoned land in Cobram, or that are likely to carry adverse amenity impacts.</p> <p>Furthermore, our client submits the purpose, objectives and land uses of the MUZ would better provide the opportunity to utilise the subject land to achieve key retail development objectives whilst protecting the amenity of the established, adjoining residential villages and thus, the site would be best suited to a full rezoning to the MUZ.</p> <p>However, if this was not to be supported, our client submits a combination of the MUZ and C1Z would also be appropriate. In this scenario, our client submits the C1Z should be focused towards the southern end of the site, to facilitate the orderly transition between the residential properties to the west of the site and the direct abuttal with C2Z land to the south. The MUZ on the other hand, should be focused towards the north of the site, to establish a relationship with the existing parcel of MUZ to the north and allow for a transition from the more robust industrial uses contained within the IN1Z to the subject site.</p> <p>Moreover, in addition to identifying the need for additional consolidated C1Z land in Cobram to facilitate the establishment of Cobram as a major rural retail centre, it is identified within the Future Directions Paper itself that the subject site would be well suited to the MUZ or C1Z. Our client agrees with these recommendations for the rezoning of the subject land.</p> <p>In addition to the above, the Future Directions Paper recommends the policy objectives and structure plan map included within the MSS and Cobram Strategy Plan be revised and updated to accurately reflect Cobram's current and future land use needs.</p> <p>Whilst the MSS and Cobram Strategy Plan hold more statutory weight than the more recent strategies, our client agrees that these older policies and strategies the Planning Report primarily relies upon are outdated and that further research and consideration of Cobram's land use needs is required to ensure the proper and orderly future planning of the site.</p> | |
| 8 | <p>The location of the open space contribution identified within the Concept Plan should be flexible.</p> <p>Our client submits the location of the open space contribution, as identified on the Concept Plan, should be flexible. At this early stage, the exact type and location of future development within the land parcel cannot be determined and as such, nor can the most logical and appropriate location for the open space contribution.</p> <p>Our client submits that if for instance, the majority of future commercial development was to be concentrated adjacent to the existing commercial corridor to the south of the site, it would be unreasonable to locate the public open space contribution at the northernmost point of the site. In such instances, it would be a more effective use of the land to locate the open space area amongst the commercial properties at the southern end of the site, to ensure employees are able to maximise use of the space.</p> | <p>The open space location has been identified as it incorporates several of the existing trees and would provide a gateway treatment for the town. It would also provide public open space within walking distance of the business park employees, Oasis Village and Green Palms. It also allows for the potential co-location of the park with drainage infrastructure as the northernmost part of the site features an existing dam.</p> <p>However, to provide further flexibility the Development Plan Overlay could provide for Council to consider an alternative location.</p> <p>Recommended change to Planning Report: Amend Section 5 to include the following Development Plan Overlay Requirement: <u>"Identification of public open space either in accordance with the Outline Development Plan or in an alternative location that provides for access to local workers and residents"</u>.</p> |



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1. A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE

ITEM NO: 10.4.2

JOINT LETTER -REQUEST FOR FOOTPATH IN HUME STREET, YARRAWONGA

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Include the construction of a new 1.5m wide concrete footpath in Hume Street between Piper Street and Witt Street in its 2021/22 new footpath investment program.
2. Thank the signatories of the joint letter / petition for their work and advise the first mentioned author of the joint / letter petition of Council's decision.

1. Executive Summary

A joint letter / petition has been received requesting construction of a new footpath in Hume Street between Piper Street and Witt Street.

Preferred option is to construct a 1.5m wide concrete footpath on the west side of Hume Street between Piper Street and Witt Street at an estimated cost of \$26,400 Ex GST.

Council already has an annual new footpath investment program in its Capital Works Budget with a forecast budget of \$150,000 per annum for the next four years.

The proposed path meets the Principals for Warrants under the new footpath investment program.

It is recommended that the construction of the footpath be included in the 2021/22 new footpath investment program.

2. Background and Options

a. Joint Letter & Petition

A joint letter and petition with 88 signatories has been received from residents in Hume Street, Yarrowonga and the public requesting Council to provide a footpath in Hume Street, Yarrowonga. Their request is based on the number of elderly residents residing in Hume Street and that there is no footpath between Witt Street and Piper Street.

b. Option for Footpath

Preferred option is to construct a 1.5m wide concrete footpath on the west side of Hume Street between Piper Street and Witt Street. This will provide access for abutting residents and will link up existing footpaths in Hunt Street, Piper Street and Witt Street. Plus, it will provide a continuous footpath link on the west side of Hume Street from McNally Street to Witt Street.

Total estimated cost for the footpath is \$26,400 Ex GST.

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Locality Plan of Proposed Footpath



3. Financial Implications

Council each year in its capital works budget has been allowing a sum of \$150,000 for new footpath investment program with the priority of completing missing links of footpaths in urban areas such as access to towns central business districts (CBD), schools, aged care facilities, hospitals and other medical facilities.

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The construction of this missing link footpath fits in this priority as the path will provide a continuous link to the CBD in Belmore Street and facilities located in Hume Street such as the hospital, aged care residential centre and medical centre.

4. Risk Management

There is some risk of disruptions during works for abutting properties, however, abutting property owners and residents will be notified in advanced of works commencing.

The risk to pedestrians in having to walk along the naturestrip or on the road pavement due to no suitable footpath is eliminated with the construction of the footpath.

5. Internal and External Consultation

Internal consultation has involved both the Construction & Assets Department and the Operations Department for determining construction costs and priority of the proposed path under the Council's new footpath investment plan.

6. Regional Context

The construction of this missing link of footpath in Hume Street will provide access for pedestrians of all ages and abilities to the main shopping centre in Belmore Street, Yarrawonga Hospital & Aged Care residential centre and to other nearby medical facilities in Hume Street.

7. Council Plan Strategy

The request for the footpath is linked to the Council Plan's Strategy 1 – "A great place to live" under the strategic action "Continuing to maintain and provide facilities and services that our community values and need".

8. Legislative / Policy Implications

Council has had previous attempts to implement special charge schemes for footpath woks under the Council's Special Charges and Rates Policy. However, proposed schemes have proven to receive very little support from abutting property owners to participate in a scheme as the Scheme requires that abutting property owner to contribute 50% of the cost.

In lieu of a Special Charge Scheme, Council has been allocating a sum of \$150,000 in its annual capital works budge for new footpath investment to fully fund new footpaths. This funding program has been in place since its introduction in the 2019/20 financial year and Council has forecast \$150,000 per year in its forward four-year capital works budget.

Priority for construction of new paths are determined based on the Principals for Warrants that was developed and presented to Council at the December 2018 Council Briefing prior to the introduction of the funding program in the 2019/20 financial year. A copy of the Principals for Warrants is attached is Appendix One.

The construction of this path meets the following Principals:

- Principal 3 – Connectivity of missing links that provide reasonable pedestrian routes between residential areas and towns' CBD, industrial areas, hospitals, childcare centres, kindergartens, aged care facilities, playgrounds, other recreational facilities and tourist attractions.

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This section of proposed footpath will complete the missing link between existing paths for residents in Hume Street connecting to Belmore Street Shopping Centre, Yarrawonga Hospital & Aged Care Centre, other health services and the lake foreshore;

- Principal 4 - Footpath connectivity within 500m radius of schools, health services, CBD, regional playgrounds and aged care facilities. Belmore Street Shopping Centre.

Yarrawonga Hospital & Aged Care Centre and other health services are within 500m of this section of Hume Street for the proposed footpath.

- Principal 5 – Pedestrians that require all abilities access, e.g. elderly, very young, injured and disabled pedestrians plus identified in any disability access plan.

The proposed path will provide access for elderly residents that reside in Hume Street.

- Principal 6 – Existing streets without any footpaths take priority over streets with a footpath on at least one side.

There is currently no footpath in Hume Street between Piper Street and Witt Street.

9. Environmental Impact

Long term, the constructed footpath will have little impact on the environment but will have some short term impacts during construction works such as sediment run off in wet conditions. This can be mitigated with sediment control devices being in place during construction works.

10. Conflict of Interest Considerations

There are no Officer conflicts of interest with respect to this report.

11. Conclusion

The abutting residents in the joint letter / petition have requested that Council provide a footpath in Hume Street between Piper Street and Witt Street.

Council already has an annual new footpath invest program in its Capital Works Budget with a forecast budget of \$150,000 per annum for the next four years.

The proposed path meets the Principals for Warrants under the new footpath investment program. It is recommended that the construction of the footpath be included in the 2021/22 new footpath investment program.

Attachments

- 1 Principals and Design Standards for New Paths

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ATTACHMENT No [1] - Principals and Design Standards for New Paths



Principals and Design Standards for New Paths

December 2018

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ATTACHMENT No [1] - Principals and Design Standards for New Paths



Principals and Design Standards for New Paths

Principals for Warrant of New Paths.

1. Priority will be given to footpaths where adjoin landholders contribute 50% to cost of providing the footpath.
2. Evidence of naturestrips being used regularly by pedestrians. E.g. Worn tracks
3. Connectivity of missing links that provide reasonable pedestrian routes between residential areas and towns' CBD, industrial areas, hospitals, childcare centres, kindergartens, aged care facilities, playgrounds, other recreational facilities and tourist attractions.
4. Footpath and / or shared paths connectivity within 500m radius of schools, health services, CBD's, regional playgrounds and aged care facilities
5. Pedestrians that require all abilities access, e.g. elderly, very young, injured and disabled pedestrians plus identified in any disability access plan.
6. Existing streets without any footpaths take priority over streets with a footpath on at least one side.
7. Footpaths for new residential and commercial development to meet the requirements of the Infrastructure Design Manual and Council's Planning Scheme.
8. Public safety infrastructure such as rail level crossings for pedestrians and lighting.
9. Provides a crossing point for major arterial roads
10. Bus stops
11. Footpaths on both sides of the street for urban roads and streets that are classified as Link or Collector Roads under the Council's Road Hierarchy.

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ATTACHMENT No [1] - Principles and Design Standards for New Paths



Principals and Design Standards for New Paths

Design Standards

- Existing 1.2m wide paths be upgraded to 1.5m wide at time of renewal.
- New paths to be 1.5m wide.
- Shared paths to be 2.5m wide.
- Urban areas to have concrete paths.
- Urban and township reserves paths to remain gravel with edging
- Shared paths to be constructed in concrete.
- Inter town paths to have a sprayed seal surface treatment.
- Existing low use gravel paths to remain as gravel surface.
- Existing high use gravel paths will be upgraded to a sealed surface at time of renewal or when increase in pedestrian traffic occurs, where warranted and as agreed.
- Recreational paths and loops to remain as gravel surface.

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NUMURKAH PLAY SPACE UPGRADE PROJECT

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Note the progress of the Numurkah Play Space Upgrade Project and the results of the two consultation processes
2. Endorse the overall project and the concept design comprised of the following three elements:
 - (a) Renewal and upgrade of the Apex Park playground,
 - (b) The extension of the skatepark with the addition of a junior skatepark, and
 - (c) The installation of a 'wombat' pedestrian crossing to provide a safer link across Tunnock road between the two play areas

1. Executive Summary

The Numurkah Play Space Upgrade Project comprises three elements;

1. Renewal and upgrade of the Apex Park playground,
2. The extension of the skatepark with the addition of a junior skatepark, and
3. The installation of a 'wombat' pedestrian crossing to provide a safer link across Tunnock road between the two play areas.

Two consultation processes have been undertaken, the first in August last year on the overall project concept, and the more recent one in February seeking feedback on the proposed concept design of the junior skatepark.

Contracts have been awarded for the playground equipment and the works are planned for completion by the end of June to meet the requirements of the funding for the project.

2. Background and Options

Prior to COVID, Council received \$1million in drought support funding from the Federal government and allocated \$150,000 of the funding toward providing an area attached to the Numurkah Skatepark dedicated for younger less experienced users of the facility.

This was prompted by requests from users of the skatepark that there needed to be some separation between the experienced and inexperienced to minimize the risk of conflict and injury and to also give an opportunity for learners to be able to develop their skills before venturing onto the larger and more challenging skatepark.

In June 2020, the Federal Government announced a COVID stimulus package of which Council was allocated approximately \$2.5 million from the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program. Of these funds, Council allocated \$360,000 toward the renewal and upgrade of the Apex Park and to provide a safe pedestrian link between the two play areas on either side of Tunnock Road.

A concept plan for the playground works was prepared and a consultation process seeking feedback on the proposed works was undertaken in August 2020. Given the COVID restrictions, an online survey was used, advertised in local media, social media, and on large signs placed at the park.

The response was very good with 67 responses received through the online survey and 14 written submissions, 13 of which were presented by hand at the Cobram Office.

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The survey asked two questions and provided an opportunity for respondents to any additional comments they saw fit and advise how they heard about the survey. The two questions were:

- What do you like about the proposed plan?
- What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

A copy of the responses are attached for Council's information.



Figure 1: Numurkah Play Space Upgrade, showing the three elements of the project

In response to the first question, responses generally thought the upgrade was a positive thing for the town and great for children and families with 26 mentioning the upgraded play equipment, 13 the safe road crossing, and 12 commenting on the family friendly and inclusive nature of the project.

In response to the second question, responses generally focused on different equipment for different ages and abilities and a focus on amenities such as shade, seating and fencing with 24 offering suggestions for different play equipment and 20 requesting more shade, seating and fencing.

The 14 written submissions were more focused on the following:

- Moving the skate park to the Lion's Park
- Objecting to the wombat crossing due to noise for local residents, concerns regarding safety of children with amount and speed of traffic using Tunnock Road

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- Objection to the number of paths through park as they feel it will limit green space available for large groups to use for picnics etc

The most recent survey in February this year was focused on the concept plan for the Junior Skatepark and it also generated an acceptable response with 86 responses to the online survey and three written submissions.



Figure 2: Location of junior skatepark

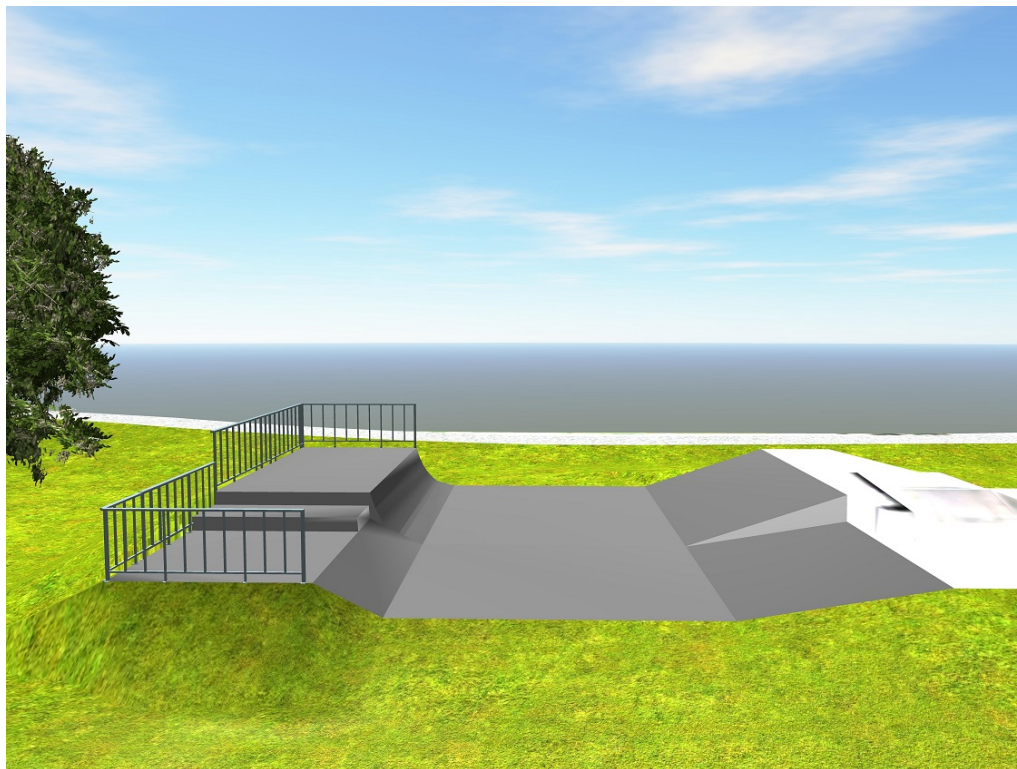


Figure 3: Junior Skatepark concept plan

Of the 86 responses, 71 or 82% liked the proposed concept design while 15 or 17% did not. 49 of the respondents provided some further comments to support their response and a copy has been provided for Council's information. The comments have been

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coded to enable a quick assessment of the nature of the comment and quite a number of design ideas have been provided and these will be forwarded onto the designer once Council appoints one.

The written submissions (also attached) focus more on the location of the skatepark and the plan to construct the 'wombat' pedestrian crossing. The safety of children in close proximity of the creek is one issue raised and also the safety of the 'wombat' crossing is also questioned.

With respect to the wombat crossing it was following complaints from members of the community living in Tunnock Road that Council has undertaken a number of counts and speed measurements of traffic along Tunnock Road. Those speed measurements demonstrated that there was a speeding issue where between Harbison and Thornton Street, the average mean speed was 50.5km/hr (east bound) and 57km/hr (west bound). The 85th percentile speed based upon the traffic data for both directions was 59 km/hr.

An accepted traffic engineering solution for slowing vehicles down in residential streets is the installation of raised pavement devices such as road humps or raised pavements. These can be combined with a pedestrian crossing to create the 'wombat crossing' combining the benefit in reducing speeds provided by the raised pavement device and the pedestrian crossing providing a measurably safer place for pedestrians to be able to cross Tunnock Rd.

This will not only be a benefit for the children and their parents moving between the two play areas but will also be of assistance to pedestrians walking between the residential areas south of Numurkah to the retail area of Melville St north of the creek.

Wombat crossings have proved effective in the main street of Numurkah and also in the Cobram retail area. Council has also been awarded a grant for the installation of Wombat crossings in the Hay Rd, Punt Rd precinct to provide safe crossing points for pedestrians around the school and kindergartens. They are also a 'major traffic control' item under the Road Safety Act and approval from Regional Roads Victoria must be given before works will be able to commence.

Given concerns raised, a preliminary road safety design has been undertaken on the design for the wombat crossing. Issues raised within the audit have been addressed within the plans for the proposed works for the wombat crossing and the adjoining park areas. A copy of the road safety audit is provided for Council's information.

3. Financial Implications

The Numurkah playspace project is funded through the first round of the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program (\$360K) and Drought funding (\$150K, junior skatepark component).

4. Risk Management

During initial scoping of the playground and skatepark works, the frequency of pedestrians crossing between the two play spaces was observed to be reasonably high and would be expected to be even higher once the improvements are made.

The traffic speed surveys undertaken following complaints from residents within Tunnock Rd showed that vehicles were travelling at higher speeds than they should be for a residential street.

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The installation of a wombat crossing will address the two issues by reducing the speed of vehicles through the raised pavement and providing priority for pedestrians crossing Tunnock Rd over vehicles travelling along Tunnock Rd.

5. Internal and External Consultation

The consultation processes provided useful feedback to assist in the refinement of the design of the Play Space project.

Based on feedback from the consultation process, the junior playground area was expanded on with the addition of a sandpit and a junior cubby house. More rubber surfacing has been added to provide all abilities access to the two swing sets and Numurkah Depot will expand the natural play elements within the playground. Additional park furniture through the playground and park, additional shade structures and sails, and an inclusive BBQ to be installed in the existing BBQ area have all been included.

The playground will now be fully fenced and fence panels will be installed either side of the footpath where it meets the wombat crossing to slow children down and funnel the pedestrians onto the crossing.

At the most recent Traffic Liaison Committee meeting, Regional Roads Victoria (RRV) and Victoria Police indicated in principle support for the installation of the wombat crossing and formal approval from RRV has been requested to install the major traffic control item to allow works to commence.

6. Council Plan Strategy

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7. Legislative / Policy Implications

A wombat crossing is a major traffic control item under the Road Safety Act and approval is required from RRV before works can commence on its installation.

8. Conflict of Interest Considerations

The author of the report has no conflict of interest with the subject of this report

9. Conclusion

The Numurkah Play Space Upgrade project is progressing well with works about to commence on the playground renewal and upgrade.

Feedback from the community has been generally supportive of the project although the wombat crossing has received mixed reviews. However, the wombat crossing is considered to be the most effective engineering solution to addressing the issue of vehicle speeds in the area and providing a safer means for pedestrians to cross Tunnock Rd between the two play spaces.

Based on the consultation, Council is in a position to endorse the project concept and design.

Council is currently seeking quotations from suppliers to design and construct the junior skatepark in line with the approved concept plan. Once RRV provide formal approval to install the wombat crossing, works will commence.

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- 1 First survey - summary of results
- 2 First survey - online results
- 3 First survey - written submissions
- 4 Second survey - online results
- 5 Second survey - written submissions
- 6 Raised Pedestrian Crossing Preliminary Design Road Safety Audit

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ATTACHMENT No [1] - First survey - summary of results

Numurkah Play Space Upgrade Consultation – summary of submissions

Total submissions received online – 67

Total submissions via paper – 13

Total submissions via letter - 1

Online Survey Summary

What do you like about the proposed plan?

In general submissions thought the upgrade was a positive thing for the town and great for children and families.

Number of mentions of each item:

- 26 – upgraded play equipment
- 13 – safe road crossing (wombat) between the two parks
- 12 – Family friendly and inclusive
- 10 – accessibility including the new footpaths
- 10 – safe for children, particularly fencing
- 6 – natural elements
- 4 – shelter and seating

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

In general submissions focussed on different equipment for different ages and abilities and a focus on amenities such as shade, seating and fencing.

Number of mentions of each item:

- 24 – suggestions for different play equipment
- 20 – request more shade, seating and increased fencing or relocated fencing
- 8 – requested a splash park or water play
- 5 – more accessible items such as wheel chair swing
- 5 – expressed safety concerns related to skate park extension proximity to water or the wombat crossing
- 4 – wanted the parks moved from the current location
- 1 – wanted the paths reduced to enable more green space for gatherings

Additional comments

The comments that are in addition to improvement comments include general support for the playground; hope that we can re-use any removed playground where possible; request for the

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trampoline to be deep enough for 8-10 year olds to use; additional seating and picnic tables at the skate park; upgrade the pool fence to ensure children cannot get through; storyboards showing Aboriginal and educational components; and a BMX track.

Paper Submissions Summary

Some of these submissions were also entered into the online survey (identical wording) but they focus on the following:

- Moving the skate park to the Lion's Park
- Objecting to the wombat crossing due to noise for local residents, concerns regarding safety of children with amount and speed of traffic using Tunnock Road
- Objection to the number of paths through park as they feel it will limit green space available for large groups to use for picnics etc

Letter Submission Summary

This letter focuses on safety concerns for children in relation to proximity of parks to water and a road.

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Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

The undercover picnic area.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

More undercover areas

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Great for all ages,
Crossing is a great idea

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Nothing

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Such a good idea for our town

Q4

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Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Nothing

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Cancel this waste of my rates

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

There is very little use of these facilities. And I can't see that changing in the a Covid future.
Many other things need attention in Numurkah, the flood mitigation plan being the most urgent, spend my rates on that, not this.

Q4

Word of mouth

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Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

From the pictures it looks like more inviting play space for children

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Bring the natural elements back into the play space rock stepping stone wooden beam pathways

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Such an excellent investment for our town

Q4

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Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

All ability access

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

What other existing equipment can be reused?

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Good to see more shade

Q4

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Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

i like the idea

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

include the bbq area plans are very hard to read

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

I think it looks great, would be a great area for our community

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

I would like to see a splash park incorporated like they have in Tocumwal and Yarrawonga.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Plenty of seating and shaded areas need to be incorporated in the plans.

Q4

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Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

The footpath along the road

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

More seating around the playgrounds

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

I like that it is a fresh innovative and all access plan. Children's safety is highly considered and it allows for the park to be a family friendly place. I really like the proposed wombat pedestrian crossing as I see that as a major kids crossing area

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Find a better use for the area outside the fence where the playground used to be

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

All equipment enclosed behind fence

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Larger play space, natural area/ sand/ water etc. hand pump with Riverbed maybe.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Love the fish theme.
Splash park at the pool refurb could also work well between the pool and the park.

Q4

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Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

A safe crossing for the children to use from skate park to playground

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

More shade, more seating and another BBQ covered area

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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Word of mouth,

Other (please specify):

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Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

New playground. It seems very outdated currently. Suitable for different age groups

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Water play area with the rocks. Different sized boulders. I'm hoping these plans include shade sails it's hard to see in the plans.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Would love to see a gravel bmx track Included

Q4

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Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

More to do spread out, safer for the children.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

A splash park

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Catching up with the times and improving the playground. Give the children something to do!! We love going to other towns to use their playgrounds as sooo much better than numurkah.

Q4

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Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Too hard to see everything on my phone

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Is there a water drinking fountain for humans and dogs? One hi for humans. One lo for animals. Thank you.

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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Time Spent: 00:04:07
IP Address: 119.12.178.230

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

The safer crossing and just having more equipment for the kids of the town

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

A splash park would be perfect for the area.

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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Other (please specify):

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Last Modified: Monday, August 31, 2020 8:30:44 PM
Time Spent: 00:01:52
IP Address: 124.189.206.114

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

As the person that designed that kids skate section, I love this whole idea!

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Fencing around the skate park along Tunnock Rd to stop children from going on the road.

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

Word of mouth

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#17

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Last Modified: Monday, August 31, 2020 8:32:03 PM
Time Spent: 00:02:15
IP Address: 116.250.166.171

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Garden areas.
Path Linking the spaces

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

A natural play space - wood, rocks etc
Vegetable /community garden

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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#18

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Time Spent: 00:02:14
IP Address: 58.169.246.54

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Safer for the kids and it's updated

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

I think it looks great

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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#19

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Last Modified: Monday, August 31, 2020 8:41:07 PM
Time Spent: 00:00:41
IP Address: 139.216.183.167

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Incredible! Will be so good for our town!

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

I like the proposed plan

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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Last Modified: Monday, August 31, 2020 8:57:01 PM
Time Spent: 00:03:58
IP Address: 49.199.12.172

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

A safe and beautiful place for families to spend time outdoors!

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Extra seating and toilets to be lightened up (they're quite dark inside).

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Soap in the public toilets would be really appreciated!!

Q4

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#21

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Time Spent: 00:01:19
IP Address: 203.214.94.28

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Love the expansion to the skatepark and the wombat crossing to the Apex park.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Adding a splash park to the Apex park

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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#22

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IP Address: 49.193.255.180

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

I like that you are including natural elements like the logs.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

More natural play like the nature play area in Castlemaine. Also some equipment to challenge older kids.

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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#23

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Last Modified: Monday, August 31, 2020 9:16:52 PM
Time Spent: 00:03:14
IP Address: 211.27.74.209

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

It looks nice and hopefully goes ahead

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Maybe a little area for dogs .or a basketball ring .there are alot of young boys who like to shoot hoops and often have to use the local schools on weekends

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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IP Address: 110.140.138.14

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Higher fencing

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Upgrade toilets and ensure there's hand soap available

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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Other (please specify):

Local Facebook page

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#25

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Time Spent: 00:04:49
IP Address: 120.144.136.207

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

More trees, a junior skate park, a safer crossing across Tunnack Rd, accessible parking and more entrances to the enclosed area.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Toilet accessibility from the enclosed playground, without having to leave the fenced in area.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

I would love to see the fences/gates kept in good working order. The "safety" gate that is there now is useless.

I would also expect some sort of fencing between the junior skatepark and the creek.

Q4

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Numurkah Facebook page.

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#26

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Time Spent: 00:03:00
IP Address: 149.167.61.15

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

I love this! Your keeping the best parts about the park and adding well needed revisions.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Having compost/recycling bins would be incredible!

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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Other (please specify):
Community facebook age

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Time Spent: 00:06:27
IP Address: 1.136.107.219

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Yes it's about time for an upgrade

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

All playground is all in one section in SUCH a large area. I feel it's not being utilised to its full potential. I feel more research should be placed into this space. Look at Wallan's play space and it brings people into the town from all over Melbourne. This space could be so much more and a draw card to the district as a tourist attraction!!

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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Time Spent: 00:02:12
IP Address: 121.219.9.25

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

All play equipment in fenced area

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

The higher fence that kids can't climb out

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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#29

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Time Spent: 00:00:57
IP Address: 49.199.116.59

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

More for the younger kids to play on.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

I think there should be a wheelchair swing for the disabilities.

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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Time Spent: 00:03:00
IP Address: 124.189.223.252

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Much more fun for kids, more garden areas, exploration areas for kids, more seating for families

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Maybe a small bike circuit with signs etc, a safe place for young kids to learn to ride their bike and learn about the various signs that are on real roads (bike education area)

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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#31

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Last Modified: Tuesday, September 01, 2020 9:59:56 AM
Time Spent: 00:42:21
IP Address: 120.146.83.123

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

The theme being tied into our local wildlife and environment assets and potentially tied into our aboriginal cultural heritage.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Accessible car parks are located too far away from the accessible toilets, from both Harbison Ave and Tunnock Rd. When it's raining or extremely hot weather, either using a wheeled walker or pushing a wheelchair or even someone on crutches, they would be wet through from rain or collapsing from the heat by the time they reach them. I know this all too well as I am a full time carer and find this problem in the many places I take my family member. It is a great disabler and is the reason why we have to travel onto another location if time allows. All paths need to be wide enough for two wheelchairs to pass.

At least one of the toilet blocks (accessible) need to be located on a boundary, to enable realistic and achievable accessibility by mobility impaired persons, either child or adult - independence needs to be encouraged and enabled in these groups. This area will have dual use by the travelling public and locals young and old. Older people take their grandchildren to parks and playgrounds too. The path surfaces need to be firm and safe for use by those with poor or reduced mobility. The accessible car parks need to be adjacent to a fully accessible toilet.

Seating needs to include seats which are higher off the ground and equipped with arm rests to assist the elderly to transfer on and off the seat. There needs to be plenty of them. This encourages the elderly to interact and join in even if only sitting and watching the children play. Wheelchair friendly picnic tables needed too.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Can you tie in an educational component to the park with story boards dotted around the park with stories about our local wildlife? Aboriginal dreamtime stories about the origin of the birds and animals would be awesome too.

Q4

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#32

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Time Spent: 00:15:51
IP Address: 119.18.17.74

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

The different play spaces that are separated.

The link between the playground and the skatepark.

I love the tree sculpture idea - such a beautiful calming space for all ages.

The new fencing that is child safe.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

I believe that the fence should incorporate the space where the existing climbing net structure is - to allow kids a space where they can kick a ball, play chase etc.

I also would like to see 4 swings be put in (two toddler and two adult).

I think there needs to be 3 trampolines (presuming they are the small single user type).

I also believe it would be beneficial for families if the toilets were included in the gated area - less worry that a child will run off toward the road and will help with the supervision of other children.

The toilets in general need updating. Small children find them dark and scary.

It would be amazing if, in the future, a splash park could also be incorporated in this space - I believe it would bring in more visitors to the town and could carry on the fish theme you are starting with the playground.

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Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Is there going to be an access gate from the park to the pool? In the past there have been safety issues where there have been holes in the fence between the pool and the park that small children can get through. Will this fence be updated to be more secure?

I think it is fantastic that you are looking to update the park in Numurkah. We love using the park in Numurkah and I have friends that travel from Shepparton to use the facilities as it is fenced and has the wonderful big trees to provide shade.

Another small idea would be to install a flying fox that was themed around a fishing rod and line catching a fish.
Another option that would appeal to the tween aged children in the town.

Q4

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Time Spent: 00:07:44
IP Address: 58.171.157.218

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

the park really needs a facelift so this is great. i think it's a great idea to have a crossing for families linking the skatepark to Apex park.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

I would have liked some water play features included. the kids love these areas in other playgrounds. it would be a huge draw card to Numurkah.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Kids also love interactive play areas. eg corowa playground.

Q4

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Time Spent: 00:56:31
IP Address: 124.182.41.253

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

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Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

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Q3

Additional comments (optional)

The original skate park committee gave \$5000 to Moira Shire Council after the skate park was completed to be put towards shade sail type structure over the skate park. There were also plans for the wombat crossing and safety details.

Q4

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#35

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Time Spent: 00:05:38
IP Address: 120.147.132.18

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Improvement/upgrade of play equipment. New fencing, just hope it's high enough that younger kids can't climb it.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

fencing all around Apex Park. All of the grassy area would be better utilised by families if it was more secure from 2 busy roads. A second undercover bbq area. So many groups use this one, particularly during warmer months, for events & get togethers. More facility = more users.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

a water play area/splash park would be ideal. Similar to Barooga or Yarrawonga.

Q4

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#36

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Time Spent: 00:04:49
IP Address: 121.220.160.240

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Looks great

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

add a splash park area, more activities like more swings ect , and something for the ages around 6,7,8,9 throwback wall , a kids tractor digger sand pit things , maybe those big bored games like a chest games or something like that

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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#37

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Time Spent: 00:10:04
IP Address: 1.152.106.33

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Looks good. I like the tree carving.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Solar sensor lighting

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

I would rather a walking track around the lake and linked to the wetlands

Q4

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#38

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Last Modified: Wednesday, September 02, 2020 12:48:49 PM
Time Spent: 00:02:38
IP Address: 114.198.101.194

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

The different spaces to move between

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

More climbing and interactive music type things to play on

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

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Last Modified: Thursday, September 03, 2020 8:54:54 AM
Time Spent: 00:22:51
IP Address: 203.39.10.194

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

I like the additional play equipment proposed for the Apex Park Space Upgrade

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Think about the location of this project.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

What I don't like is the Wombat Crossing. This would mean a congestion of the traffic in the area, and I think would reduce the very limited amount of parking space currently available. Also the upgrade would potentially encourage addition patronage and therefore put further strain on parking and safety aspects of the area. I think that better, safer facilities could be found elsewhere. Whilst there is no specifications re the proposed Junior Skatepark from the diagram, the proposed area seems to be on the north side of the existing skatepark and would be very close to the creek. This would seem to be a safety issue. Whilst I like the concept of additional facilities, I think that putting all of this in a very busy area (Melville Street and Tunnock Road Intersection) would pose a significant safety risks. (Congestion, Traffic and Parking)

Q4

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Time Spent: 00:05:43
IP Address: 110.143.22.78

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Lots of shade and accessible equipment

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

A wheelchair accessible swing would be great. Are there boards around the mulch and gravel? This would restrict access for a person who cannot step over

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

There is no access for a parent or carer into the playground equipment area. If a child has a fall or needs help a parent with ambulatory issues would not be able to access them.

Q4

Word of mouth

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#41

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Started: Friday, September 04, 2020 8:43:46 AM
Last Modified: Friday, September 04, 2020 8:52:25 AM
Time Spent: 00:08:38
IP Address: 120.156.134.87

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Health benefits being both mental and physical from people attending and enjoying facilities.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Adequate safety and access eg wheelchairs for all ages..to all of areas

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Please partial fencing for corner areas near roads.. I watch in horror some days as I drive past our present site in Numurkah.. and I have voiced to a councillor very early days of construction . Young children do not have the distance awareness to road and cars as adults . Hence the so many near misses with cars and younger children is frightening. We do not want a fatality for something to be done. Great to have these facilities for our kids and families.

Q4

Please tell us how you heard about this survey

Council Facebook,
Newspaper,
Word of mouth

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#42

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Collector: Web Link 1 (Web Link)
Started: Friday, September 04, 2020 12:36:40 PM
Last Modified: Friday, September 04, 2020 12:41:08 PM
Time Spent: 00:04:28
IP Address: 124.184.116.194

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Fantastic to have a welcoming play space for children to play with different activities to engage

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Think Numurkah desperately lacks a play space for young children. All the equipment at the parks at the moment are for those that are competently walking/climbing. Would be so beneficial to have a space for children of crawling/exploring age. This is also a time for a mother when she can feel most isolated often on maternity leave and lacking social interaction. A space accomodating this age group would be very beneficial.

My daughter grew up in Nhulunbuy in the NT and the play grounds there were fantastic from the time she could crawl. They had steps she could crawl up, bridges to cross and a tunnel all with slides each end. These were utilised by all age groups. I would be happy to provide photos of these for reference.

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

Council Facebook

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#43

COMPLETE

Collector: Web Link 1 (Web Link)
Started: Friday, September 04, 2020 3:52:52 PM
Last Modified: Friday, September 04, 2020 4:13:26 PM
Time Spent: 00:20:33
IP Address: 120.144.7.220

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

I like that all the play equipment is all in one fenced area. I also like the wombat crossing to the skate park and that the skate park is getting an extension

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

I think that some more picnic settings are required currently there are 4 picnic settings to sit and eat at but it looks with the proposed plan this is being reduced to 3

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

I would also hope that there would be picnic settings to sit and eat at in the open area and the skate park needs more picnic settings and park seats with backs for parents/carers to watch children. Could the trampoline also be deeper to allow older children 8-12 years to bounce on.

Q4

Please tell us how you heard about this survey

Other (please specify):

facebook page that had shared the council facebook page

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#44

COMPLETE

Collector: Web Link 1 (Web Link)
Started: Friday, September 04, 2020 8:02:35 PM
Last Modified: Friday, September 04, 2020 8:19:15 PM
Time Spent: 00:16:40
IP Address: 1.136.108.200

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Everything! The fact that the equipment is all in the same area, the new paths and more trees.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

An all abilities swing would be amazing. We have a few people who attend PALS group activities that have to travel to Shepparton or Yarrawonga to access something like that.

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

Other (please specify):

Please tell us how you heard about this survey

School newsletter

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#45

COMPLETE

Collector: Web Link 1 (Web Link)
Started: Sunday, September 06, 2020 8:23:50 PM
Last Modified: Sunday, September 06, 2020 8:25:02 PM
Time Spent: 00:01:11
IP Address: 1.152.105.206

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Pedestrian crossing and updated play equipment

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Few more high aged equipment. Upper primary.

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

Please tell us how you heard about this survey

Other (please specify):

Numurkah fb page

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#46

COMPLETE

Collector: Web Link 1 (Web Link)
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Last Modified: Monday, September 07, 2020 12:33:21 PM
Time Spent: 00:03:15
IP Address: 182.239.200.165

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Natural elements

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

More natural elements eg. Things to go through, climb over and to play chasing around. Things like rocks/boulders, hollow tree stump, bamboo forest.
Add a sandpit and water feature.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

We're schools and their families provided information for comment?
Was the kindergarten and childcare given information?

Q4

Sign at the park

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#47

COMPLETE

Collector: Web Link 1 (Web Link)
Started: Tuesday, September 08, 2020 8:07:03 AM
Last Modified: Tuesday, September 08, 2020 8:22:14 AM
Time Spent: 00:15:10
IP Address: 203.37.26.146

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

My kids were impressed

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

My kids want to see big things to climb, really big slides and swings.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

My kids were impressed

Q4

Word of mouth

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#48

COMPLETE

Collector: Web Link 1 (Web Link)
Started: Wednesday, September 09, 2020 10:37:35 AM
Last Modified: Wednesday, September 09, 2020 10:58:04 AM
Time Spent: 00:20:28
IP Address: 203.39.10.194

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

I think the proposed additions and upgrade of the Apex Park Play Space is needed.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Some more adventurous activity for older children. (eg Bigger slides, swings etc)

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

I don't think that the additional pathways through the park, and the Wombat Crossing are a good thing. Firstly the additional pathways would reduce the amount of grassed area, and these areas are used by family gatherings and ball games. (pathways would cut across these areas). The wombat crossing would, I believe not improve safety, but would give children a sense that they could run across the road unsupervised. This crossing would be close to the intersection of two very busy roads (Melville street and Tunnock Road) which in itself would be a safety issue. Also I think parking would be an issue as there is little parking available at present.

Q4

Word of mouth

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#49

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Started: Wednesday, September 09, 2020 10:58:03 AM
Last Modified: Wednesday, September 09, 2020 11:04:39 AM
Time Spent: 00:06:35
IP Address: 122.105.105.106

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Shelter and seating within the fenced area, trampoline, different play spaces, use of natural materials, added greenery/trees

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

BBQs in the shelters inside fenced area.

Wall to project movies onto - introduce kids movies in the park. Potential partnership with the Numurkah movie group

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

What is the age recommended age for fish themed playground? Is there an area (slide etc..) for under 3-5 that is accessible to climb up to get to it??

Q4

Council Facebook

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#50

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Time Spent: 00:04:02
IP Address: 182.239.223.134

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

The upgrade of the play park

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Do not connect it with the skate park as Tunnock Rd is a very busy road and any crossing would still be dangerous for kids

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Remove the existing skate park and rebuild a better one in the Lions Park next to the Netball Courts

Q4

Word of mouth

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#51

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Collector: Web Link 1 (Web Link)
Started: Wednesday, September 09, 2020 9:26:14 PM
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Time Spent: 00:03:21
IP Address: 1.159.56.191

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

All of it

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

id like to see the skate park plans

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

Please tell us how you heard about this survey

Council Facebook,
Word of mouth

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#52

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Time Spent: 00:03:03
IP Address: 101.181.120.158

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

More equipment

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Shelter. Equipment for older children

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

Other (please specify):

Please tell us how you heard about this survey

St Joesph primary school Facebook page

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#53

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Last Modified: Thursday, September 10, 2020 5:09:46 AM
Time Spent: 00:08:26
IP Address: 103.246.180.97

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

More play equipment. Safety travelling between venues.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

plenty of picnic table seating
Play incorporating all the senses (taste, touch, feel, sound, smell) - think Whitehills Playground in Bendigo with interactive storytelling
fencing, gardening experience, etc.

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

Other (please specify):

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School facebook group

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#54

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Last Modified: Thursday, September 10, 2020 4:32:34 PM
Time Spent: 00:03:53
IP Address: 172.197.164.69

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

The crossing is a great idea

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

It would be nice to have something like in Bright with more climbing equipment and different levels for different aged children.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

The town really needs some better play facilities and encourages outdoor play.

Q4

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Other (please specify):

St Joseph's

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#55

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Time Spent: 00:03:43
IP Address: 218.214.182.6

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

New play equipment

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

More natural landscape discovery for play. Hills and twisting paths. Water and other sensory elements. Native gardens.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

It would be great to see more of an adventure style playground for all ages rather than single pieces of equipment placed on flat ground. Engaging a landscape architect to add some more creative nature play would be beneficial.

Q4

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Other (please specify):

A post in Numurkah LOL

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#56

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Time Spent: 00:10:35
IP Address: 101.161.215.192

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

I think the upgrade and improvements to the existing Apex park are well worthwhile and very inviting.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Lessen the pathways as limits space for larger gatherings on the lawn.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Do not think the Wombat crossing is wise. There is safe adequate path for crossing at the Melville St end of Tunnock Rd. Younger children using skatepark should have parental presence or supervision anyway. Tunnock Rd traffic user rights outweighs the pedestrian crossing needs in this instance. Older skate park children are a danger to just race out into the crossing and increase the likelihood of accidents. The crossing may be an invitation for disaster.

Q4

Word of mouth

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#57

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Time Spent: 00:01:21
IP Address: 180.150.36.12

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Nothing

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Don't do it

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Please spend this money on flood mitigation for the residents of Numurkah.
Waste of my rate money.

Q4

Newspaper

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#58

COMPLETE

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Last Modified: Friday, September 11, 2020 10:44:56 PM
Time Spent: 00:05:33
IP Address: 124.176.104.136

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

I love that it is a more nature based design. I like that the skate park will have an area for small children/beginners.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

A sandpit might be good.
A climbing hill.

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

Newspaper

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#59

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Time Spent: 00:03:42
IP Address: 1.136.107.25

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Making it all abilities friendly, will enable everyone to play in an inclusive environment. Additional footpaths

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

The location of the secondary skate park is close to the water, may need to review safety measures

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

I hope any equipment which is going to be removed can be reused in other play areas in Numurkah as there is limited options

Q4

Word of mouth

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Time Spent: 00:03:06
IP Address: 121.214.0.24

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

All abilities is great.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Need more seating around park for parents and grandparents while supervising the children. Needs extra picnic tables, so more than one family can use area for a gathering.
Jumping trampoline looks too small.

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Additional comments (optional)

Q4

Word of mouth

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#61

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Last Modified: Sunday, September 13, 2020 10:12:13 AM
Time Spent: 00:19:33
IP Address: 121.221.162.155

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Probably the only thing of the PROPOSED plan this the upgrade of equipment in the playground.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

All of the equipment that I can see is geared towards smaller children and I believe there should be playground equipment for an older group.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

On the above plan there is a lot of new paths proposed. I don't think these are necessary as they would cut back substantially on the grassed areas. These area are used by family group gatherings and children playing ball games. Also I believe the Wombat Crossing would be more of a safety issue rather than proving safety as it would congest the area and give false confidence to children, given that it is close to major road intersections (Melville Street and Tunnock Road). It would also reduce parking in the area which is already limited.

Finally whilst the title is described as proposed, from what information I have been able to glean it would seem that this is already a done deal?

Q4

Please tell us how you heard about this survey

Council Website,
Newspaper,
Word of mouth

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#62

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Started: Sunday, September 13, 2020 11:30:23 AM
Last Modified: Sunday, September 13, 2020 11:49:16 AM
Time Spent: 00:18:52
IP Address: 1.136.104.195

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Not much. Why complicate a great area that is used by joggers elderly people on scooters, people walking dogs ect. If it is made into a bigger skate park , which is on a flood plane, the people that use this area now would have to relocate to make way for more cement and noise.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Put it where the unused netball courts are now behind the bowling green and aqua moves gym and the tennis courts. This is a sports area which could cater for large car park and is away from quiet residential area. Would make entrance to Numurkah more appealing.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

The proposal for a Wombat crossing in Tunnock Rd. to link the two parks is very dangerous. The amount of cars that use that as a speedway, especially when football training is on, would not be able to stop for a small child thinking it was safe to run between the two parks.

Q4

Please tell us how you heard about this survey

Council Website,

Newspaper,

Word of mouth,

Other (please specify):

Money should be spent on utilizing the area where the unused netball courts are. This would enhance the beauty of that part of Numurkah.

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#63

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Started: Sunday, September 13, 2020 1:13:17 PM
Last Modified: Sunday, September 13, 2020 2:09:31 PM
Time Spent: 00:56:13
IP Address: 121.221.163.96

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

I feel any proposal put forward regarding activity for children is a necessity in many aspects I.E. children's health and wellbeing and future growth for the town.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

I agree wholeheartedly with the first element of this proposal, being the renewal of the Apex Park Playground, as we need to keep up with the ever changing needs and safety aspects in regards to playgrounds.

In regards to the 2nd element, being a Junior Skate Park, I feel there are many questions to be asked regarding the safety of the location and its proximity to the lake.

I also think the existing Skate Park would be deemed junior, given its size and limited activity range. So I feel any upgrade to the Skate Park should be a step up from the existing, and in a separate location with less congestion. And without the need for the 3rd element of this proposal, being a Wombat Crossing.

Child Safety must be the Shires no 1 Priority in this proposal, so to expand on the existing Skate park, right on the lake and the use of a crossing on busy Tunnock Rd, which is the Gateway to all sporting facilities, will create many dangers for our children.

The proposal itself is a great idea, but it needs to be placed in a safer area in my opinion. And that area is the underutilised Lions Park.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Yet again the Moira Shire have given its citizen very limited consultation time on a proposal. And given recent miss handling of other important Projects in the town of Numurkah. I.E Flood Mitigation and Rowe St pond, I feel Numurkah residents deserve better treatment.

Q4

Word of mouth

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Started: Sunday, September 13, 2020 2:09:53 PM
Last Modified: Sunday, September 13, 2020 2:17:48 PM
Time Spent: 00:07:55
IP Address: 1.136.105.142

Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

Upgrade to the children's playground and equipment. Upgrade to skate park only if it doesn't interfere with existing landscape.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Safety concerns regarding wombat crossing as could give children false security crossing the road

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Concerns that wombat crossing so close to major intersection as cars often come around the corner quite fast or speed up once around the corner. Is this crossing necessary as children should be supervised crossing roads.

Q4

Please tell us how you heard about this survey

Sign at the park,
Council Website,
Newspaper

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NUMURKAH PLAY SPACE UPGRADE PROJECT (cont'd)

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Numurkah Play Space Upgrade - Resident/Users Survey

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Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

having a great park is great but the location is ridiculous why would you have a skate park over the road on a busy intersection , I use this road most days for work and have seen several near misses not sure a wombat crossing will rectify this problem at all. I also think how ridiculous to pop a brand new swing and climbing frame outside an enclosed park this is an accident waiting to happen .

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

move the park and skate park to a better position not on a corner of a busy intersection you can be vigilant and watch your kids but they can run straight across a road into traffic wombat crossing or no crossing

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

maybe an overpass crossing is in need or indeed a better option if the park cannot be relocated

Q4

Word of mouth

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Page 1: What do you think?

Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

It's great to see updates to the play equipment for the children.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

Not too sure about the wombat crossing. It may be a bit too close to the main road to ensure the safety of the children as some drivers zoom around that corner.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

I think that any extension to the skate park would detract from the tranquil beauty of The Broken Creek. Could a more appropriate area be found for such an extension? Could that largely untouched parkland at the entrance to Numurkah (McNamara Drive I think it may be) be better suited? And could it even be a draw-card for the area if it was turned into a really large (world class even) skate park? just a thought

Q4

Newspaper

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Q1

What do you like about the proposed plan?

I like that we are catering for our families by creating a conducive play space and safe gathering area. I also like the positioning of the upgrade - it is in a central town position in an open area accessible to all.

Q2

What do you think could be improved about the proposed plan?

I think this is great progress.

Q3

Additional comments (optional)

Keep the good work coming by investing in facilities that serve our families and provide our children and youth with positive and active choices.

Q4

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Newspaper

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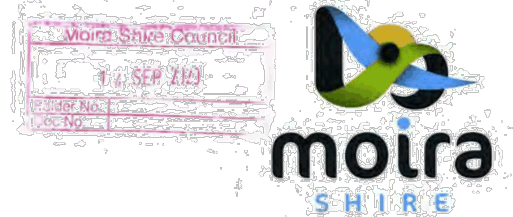
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D20/62973

14 September 2020



[REDACTED] presented to Customer Service in Cobram to hand in submissions in relation to the proposed Numurkah Play Space. The community members who wrote in are:

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[REDACTED]
13/09/2020

Councilors and CEO
Moirā Shire Council

Reference : The proposed Play Space, Wombat Crossing and Junior Skate Park.

As a Numurkah resident of many years at the above address, I know how busy this area is. While I think that the renewal of playground equipment is good, please leave the larger park as it is.

Many groups use it and it doesn't need to be divided up by pathways. This is from daily observation.

The Wombat Crossing is potentially dangerous, giving children a false sense of security.

The skate park needs to be relocated. This was a last minute decision from a previous Council, and not what the community voted for. The community was ignored. Lets get it right so that it can be fully enjoyed by all age groups. It needs to be relocated.

I am dismayed at the way in which this consultation has been carried out.

Yours faithfully

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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ATTACHMENT No [3] - First survey - written submissions

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Numurkah, Vic 3636
12th Sep 2020

Councilors and CEO
Moirā Shire Council

Re: Proposed extension to Numurkah Play Space, Wombat Crossing and Junior Skate Park.

Child safety is of paramount importance. A Wombat Crossing while looking good on paper with the flow on effect, in reality could give the children a false sense of security, and not be helpful in establishing in them a good life long respect for road rules.

Apex Park does not need to be carved up by pathways. Many large groups gather for celebrations in this park, and the paths would interrupt their activities. It is a great park, and it is a pleasure to see so many people enjoy it as it is. A path connecting the barbeque rotunda to the toilets does however need to be constructed, so that people with physical disabilities and their carers can have easier access.

The playground refurbishment needs more discussion about what will be selected. The dimensions of the equipment and their suitability for the various age groups.

I have lived for many years in this vicinity, and I know how busy these roads can be

You need to rethink the Skate Park location for the safety of all.

Yours Sincerely

[REDACTED]

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Wunghnu
Vic 3633
13/9/20

Moira Shire
44 Station street
Cobram
Vic 3644

Attention:
CEO Moira Shire -Mark Henderson
CC:
General Manager Infrastructure Moira Shire Andrew Close

Re: Numurkah Play Space

A skate park is a skate park where older kids ride skates at great speed and are often unaccompanied by adults. They also often arrive by bicycle which they lay on the ground creating an obstacle for other park users. On the other hand, a playground should be a safe place where Families and toddlers can gather to play and socialize . The two park uses are not compatible.

I strongly object to the proposal to establish a wombat crossing on Tunnock Road to encourage children to cross from the skate park side of the road . I also object to the proposed establishment of an additional "junior" skate park on the banks of the Broken Creek for the following reasons---

1 Safety- The area can be very busy with traffic not always adhering to the speed limit . There are several other significant issues which make it the wrong place for a crossing aimed at children. The proposed wombat crossing is too close to the intersection- there are often several families gathering together on the Barbeque side of the park which is likely to confuse, distract and block the motorists view of kids crossing the road - particularly motorists turning left out of Harbison Avenue or right into Tunnock Road from Melville Street
The divided road increases the risk factor as kids often act impulsively . There is not enough room anywhere between the Harbison Street , Tunnock Road corner and the Melville Street Tunnock road corner to safely place a crossing with children in mind. The area is far too busy to have children running across the road from one park to another.

Many elderly people ride their mobility buggies around that area-to access the Aged care facilities and the hospital -I believe the creation of another skate area closer to the creek will pose a risk to our elderly citizens and compromise their egress to and from their homes in Aged Care .

2. The establishment of the existing skate park attracted a significant number of objections regarding the location, safety issues and the ambience of the park area .The park was established regardless and nearby residents and older citizens have been forced to live with the many social problems created by the skate park .

3.One of Numurkah's unique features is the natural beauty of the creek frontage. The existing skate park is a concrete eyesore on what could otherwise be a restful area of natural beauty for the enjoyment of the entire community and visitors to the town. The existing skate park is not at all conducive to relaxation and enjoyment for most of us and is fact a place to be avoided.

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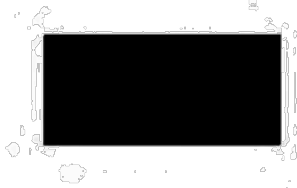
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The addition of another patch of concrete in the natural environs of the creek should be avoided at all costs.

I am sure there is a much safer option for the establishment of a children's skate precinct in Numurkah. One which is not divided down the middle by a two-lane road, does not detract from the other family friendly areas of the park and one which does not create social issues for the nearby residents.

Yours sincerely

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D20/62973

Numurkah
Vic 3636
9/9/20

Moira Shire
44 Station street
Cobram
Vic 3644

Attention: CEO Moira Shire - Mark Henderson
CC: General Manager Infrastructure Moira Shire Andrew Close

Re: Numurkah Play Space

Submission to object to the proposed Numurkah Play Space

I wish to register my objection to the proposed Numurkah Play Space on the corner of Tunnock Road & Melville Street in Numurkah.

The concept of a Numurkah Play Space is a good idea, but the location leaves a lot to be desired, my reasons are listed below.

Traffic Hazard and Road Safety

I would have to say that the designer of the proposed Numurkah Play Space spent very little time in Numurkah, if they did they would be very conscious of the traffic volume and speed along Tunnock Road either entering Melville street or entering Tunnock Road from Melville street.

On any given day (even in Covid restriction times) traffic volumes are high and fast but on days when football and cricket training and matches are on or on most days when there are bowling, golf and shooting competitions run, traffic volumes are even higher.

There would be more than one occasion in recent months where I have had to stop travelling east along Tunnock Road due young skaters coming close to if not skating off the skate park into the path of traffic.

The proposed wombat crossing on Tunnock Road to supposedly ensure safe egress between the two campuses is not a safe solution, it would run the risk of being seen as just an extension of the skate park causing more close calls for vehicle skater clashes.

Respect for residents local to the park

Ever since the skate park was developed in Numurkah - may I add under strong objection by the local community - it has seen constant on going disruptive behavior mostly by unsupervised teenage aged youths, who seem to choose to flout the Moira Shire Skate Park rules of use and certainly the behavior does not respect the ratepaying residents that live close to the park. It therefore goes without saying that this proposed Numurkah Play Space if introduced will only add to the disruption the rate payers and residents that reside near the park endure.

Unfortunately, because the Numurkah Police station is not a 24-hour operation, disruptions at the skate park are not managed by police but the residents and this is a very unfair burden that they should not have to shoulder.

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Wombat Crossing vehicle noise.

Vehicle noise from traffic crossing the wombat crossing would dramatically affect the amenity for local residents which is an imposition that should not be imposed on local residents, especially when it is not a necessary requirement and there are other options for the council to consider. I can imagine the noise would be a constant source of annoyance especially on a road that sees high traffic volumes.

It seems to me that the proposed Numurkah Play Space is nothing more than a quickly developed plan to spend some allocated grant money, it is not a plan that has been well thought out by any means, it especially does not consider safety nor the amenity of the residents close to the area.

There are alternates that if considered, where if reasonable design and thought were applied, could develop a safe non disruptive arena for all the community to enjoy, not the proposed poorly thought through 'tack-on' that will only incur safety and amenity issues.

I call on the Moira Shire to demonstrate the responsibility you are charged with and go back to the drawing board and develop a plan that is safe and respectful of local community and don't run the risk of lumbering Numurkah with the legacy similar to the Numurkah Child Care Centre positioned on the GV highway with no traffic barriers ... where all the children entrusted to the centre are basically positioned as sitting ducks for a rouge semi - trailer.

Yours



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Moira Shire
44 Station street
Cobram
Vic 3644

Attention:
CEO Moira Shire - Mark Henderson
CC:
General Manager Infrastructure Moira Shire Andrew Close
Re: Numurkah Play Space Consultation

Submission to object to the proposed Numurkah Play Space

I wish to register my objection to the proposed Numurkah Play Space on the corner of Tunnock Road & Melville Street in Numurkah.

To quote a line from Star Trek has the Moira Shire "gone cotton pickin' mad"?!!!!

In the 11 years I have been a [REDACTED] resident I have noticed the traffic levels have continued to rise and speed up. This effect to my mind only increases the safety concerns at the current Numurkah skate park. Too often in my travels along Tunnock Road I have seen teenage aged youths and young children come very close to rolling off that sate park into moving traffic.

Suffice to say the skate park should never have been located in such a perilous position - near a busy road and a water way - initially.

Now for the Moira Shire to plan to encourage more skater activity including regular crossings on an increasingly busy Tunnock Road I question that you have "gone cotton pickin' mad".

Why invest valuable grant funds on what seems like a poorly thought out project which will only increase the safety risk to anyone attending the proposed Numurkah Play Space, instead use the funds to establish a much safer Numurkah Play Space in a location that would not run into one of Numurkah's busier roads that feeds into (in Non Covid times) our sporting precincts servicing football(games & training), cricket(games & training), golf, bowls and shooting.

Please register my concern to this project that would simply create a massive safety issue, and consider instead a better and far more responsible delivery of a Numurkah Play Space in a family and community safe location - not where it is currently proposed.

Yours



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D20/62973

Katunga
Vic 3640
9/9/20

Moira Shire
44 Station street
Cobram
Vic 3644

Attention: CEO Moira Shire - Mark Henderson

CC: General Manager Infrastructure Moira Shire Andrew Close

Re: Submission to object to the proposed Numurkah Play Space.

By chance I noticed the call for community consultation on the proposed Numurkah Play Space.

This proposal is very concerning to me.

In non-covid times I commute regularly along Tunnock Road and there have been many close calls with skaters and more worryingly young children (even supposedly supervised) as I pass the skate park.

It would seem that the extension to this arena would only increase the pedestrian traffic crossing Tunnock Road and therefore increase the opportunity for a worrying incident with skaters or young children.

For this reason alone, I call on the Moira Shire to re-think the proposed Numurkah Play Space, maybe use the funds to relocate the arena to a safer location, away from the very evident traffic and water hazards of the current location.

Yours

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D20/62973

Mr Mark Henderson
Chief Executive Officer
Moirā Shire
PO Box 578
Cobram
Victoria 3643

13th September, 2020

Submission: Numurkah Play Space Upgrade Project

Dear Sir,

I would like to record my formal objection to the proposed location of the Numurkah Play Space Apex Park upgrade, inclusive of the extension of the skate park and the wombat crossing.

While I enjoy the concept and agree with the necessity for added contemporary play spaces for the Numurkah community, the proposed location lends itself to:

1. increased road safety risks for children
2. loss of current rest and recreational areas for the travelling public
3. loss of natural environmental amenity along the creek reserve and environs

1. Increased road safety risk

The anticipated increase and concentration of young children using the play space area adjacent to two major roads being Melville Street and Tunnock Road is of concern. The complacency that will come with children and families regularly using a wombat crossing, exiting and entering vehicles, loss of visibility from increased car parking and new plantings in the vicinity, along with the fact that these are two busy road traffic thoroughfares is a perfect mix for an accident waiting to happen. Have you risk rated this project from this perspective?

2. Loss of rest and recreational areas for the travelling public

The Apex Park is ideally placed within close walking distance (for the able bodied) to Numurkah's main shopping strip. Numurkah really lacks a well serviced rest stop area for the travelling public and locals alike. The current park facilities are poorly placed to provide easy access to the toilet block, lack of accessible seating, accessible picnic tables, wheelchair and 4 wheeled walker friendly pathways etc. The toilet block is too distant from the parking bays (I don't think there is a wheel chair bay currently) and no accessible path to the toilet block. It currently denies those with mobility issues, access the toilets (try pushing a wheelchair or walker over grass or with accessing the path on Melville St - it is not accessible) and the park. It is worse still if the weather is wet or very hot.

"For my husband if the accessible toilet is at the end of a long path it means I have to get the wheelchair out of the car (if there is a park) and transfer him into that and then push him the distance, then transfer him from the wheelchair to the toilet and back into the chair again. If the accessible toilets are adjacent to the accessible car parks then he can walk independently using his 4 wheeled walker, the short distance and be independent in using the toilet. Much less manual handling for me, the full time carer and retention of independence and dignity for the person with mobility limitations."

The above personal considerations would need to be addressed irrespective of development of the area for childrens' play space or a rest and recreation area for travellers.

The area would benefit greatly for providing better all abilities amenities to support travellers and the many people who frequently use the walking tracks and creek verges. With suitable

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access to the park, a greater number of those with mobility issues and disability would benefit from using this space.
There is room for larger vehicle parking and the area would not be congested by large numbers of vehicles.
There are other alternative sites suitable and available for the proposed for the Apex Park play space upgrade.
Has the proposed Apex Park Play Space Upgrade project been sent to the Moira Shire Disability Committee for consideration and comment?

3. Loss of natural environmental amenity along the creek reserve and environs
The parklands, the creek and open spaces in Numurkah are among our town's best assets. The Apex Park playground plan does not show if any of the existing native trees will remain. The view across this existing park area to the creek frontage, as newcomers enter the town from the south entrance is very pleasing and attractive. Minimal built infrastructure, minimal plantings and minimal interference to this vista would be the best outcome for the park. Wheelchair friendly tracks criss crossing the park, relocation of the toilet block to be adjacent to the accessible car parks and an adequate number of accessible parks, along with suitable height seating and eating areas, would be all that is needed.
The existing skate park is an eyesore on our beautiful creek environs and should never have been located there in the first place. It should not be extended.

Alternative sites for a children's play space, including skate parks would be:

- the old netball courts
- the Youth Club oval
- greenspace areas in the residential areas.

Incorporate playgrounds into where the children live eg. near their homes.

Finally, a very good example of a well designed play space is Echuca's Hopwood Gardens, located in quiet side streets and it is hugely popular (4.7 stars). I drive my grandchildren there to play – no plantings of shrubbery shielding parents from having a clear view of their children playing and a very stimulating paddle steamer theme in playground equipment. The area is not fenced and yet because of the high visibility and the quieter location, children play quite safely.

I trust you will give consideration to my submission,

Regards



Numurkah,
Victoria 3636



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D20/62973


Numurkah, Vic 3636
14th Sep 2020

Councillors and CEO
Moirā Shire Council

Re: Proposed extension to Numurkah Play Space, Wombat Crossing and Junior Skate Park.

The refurbishment of the playground is a good idea. I would like to see a model scaled version of the proposal, to appreciate the size, space needed and positioning of the suggested equipment. I would also like to see what choices are available.

Screening of the toilets is not a good idea. Visibility of movements within a park are essential for safety reasons.

The wombat crossing is not the answer for safe passage between two parks. The skate park is in the wrong location.

Safety for both children/pedestrians and motorists/cyclists/motor cyclists is the crucial issue. The roads in this area

lead to and from many sporting venues. We have golf, football, netball, soccer, cricket, boxing gym, swimming and the popular pokies as well as agricultural activities..

Residential numbers have increased considerably.

This area is a very busy area.

I think that the Skate Park needs to be relocated to a safer location for all.

Yours Sincerely



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14-9-2020

To the CEO and Councillors
Reference: The proposed Play Space, Wombat Crossing and Junior Skate Park

The Numurkah Lions Club, which has been operating for 51 years, has a proud history of delivering projects in the local community, as well as being part of projects at a state, federal and international level.

The Numurkah Lions Park is one such initiative. This park has a toilet block, six netball courts with lighting, a very comfortable clubhouse which the Numurkah Netball Association uses, along with the Lions, and a fenced children's playground. It also has an unsealed area that is equivalent to three netball courts, and a railed area for car parking.

This beautiful area is greatly under utilised. Nearby are the magnificent lawn tennis courts, croquet greens, squash courts, indoor swimming centre and lawn bowls.

Our club recently supported Diabetes Awareness activities held at this park, and are committed to the Numurkah Park Run when conditions allow. We actively promote health and wellbeing for all members of our community.

We would like this site to be considered for a skatepark that caters for all ages and abilities and offers greater enjoyment.

The current skatepark is not in a safe position, and the wombat crossing along with a junior skatepark that is being proposed, is fraught with child safety issues.

This site offers great potential for future development. The sealed courts could be used for children on training wheels and bike ed activities in a safe environment. The unsealed area could be used for the skatepark that suits all needs.

We look forward to your serious consideration of our proposal, and would be very happy to work and assist the Moira Shire on this proposal.

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To CEO & Councillors.

Numurkah
12-9-2020

Reference: The proposed Play Space, Wombat Crossing and Junior Skate Park

We are extremely disappointed with the manner and method of consultation that is being conducted by Moira Shire Council.

This is a \$360,000 project which is a considerable amount of money. We feel that this money could be better acquitted than what is currently proposed.

We are pleased that the playground equipment is being revisited. The play ground equipment needs to be more interesting. It needs to incorporate motor skills as well as being a fun and enjoyable experience, and one which has enquiry based learning involved.

We don't think that the screening of the toilets is advisable in a public park. There needs to be clear sight at all times.

The larger park works very well as it currently is.

Pathways are proposed through the main park, where large gatherings are frequent and involve people of all ages, diversity and abilities.

The pathways would be limiting the size of the groups, and skateboards / scooters do not mix with people having picnics and playing other games.

We would like to reiterate that this park is a public park

The wombat crossing is fraught with many safety issues. This is a very busy area with no room for mistakes.

The tranquility of the creek does not need to be disturbed any further.

RELOCATE THE SKATEPARK.

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Objection to "Wombat Crossing" on Tunnock Road

Proposal Re Skate Park

Playground, pathways & picnic area
& Wombat Crossing

"To Whom it may Concern,"

We are writing with concern on the changes mentioned to the above area.

The park on the corner of Melville Street, Tunnock Road and Harbison Avenue. This area is frequently used by all ages from tiny children to the older generation of the public for picnic times, reunions etc.

Yes we agree to some of the new play equipment, but strongly object to all the pathways you are including. It is a great picnic and play area being divided up.

The 'wombat crossing' is going to be a total disaster. Obviously you have taken a count on the amount of traffic that travels Tunnock Road at all speeds. 'A speed way for some'. There is a considerable amount of traffic on this road - people travelling to the Football / Netball, Cricket, Golf Club and general use.

If the "counter" in Tunnock Road recently was used to count the traffic, please stop and think it was during the lockdown virus. When all sporting venues were banned. Your count would not be accurate.

A 'wombat crossing' is supposed to slow traffic,

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"maybe", but what about the neighborhood listening to cars stopping and the accelerating of the cars moving on. We live on the [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] so we always hear the noise of the road traffic.

The second small skate park - questions us - what happens to the walking track, what about the long awaited levy bank is very important - ???

We are asking you to please rethink what you are planning - consideration given to the neighbourhood in the immediate surrounds. Maybe more consultation with the "Public"

[REDACTED]
Numurkah. 3636

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To Ceo & Councillors of Moira Shire. After looking over plans for "Play Space Project" I wonder how much consideration has been taken for OHS detail.

Turncock Rd & Harrison Ave. are both very busy roads now & not needing anymore distractions with a Wombat pedestrian crossing. As children are impulsive not taking time to assess where they are going or what they are doing. Not to mention an eye sore to a very attractive corner of parks & open spaces, where families, older groups eg. Pioneer Lodge, Pals etc. can gather in larger groups in peace without noise from skate boards etc. not to say having to dodge them.

I think a lot more practical thought & consultation should be taken before any decisions be taken.

That brings me to the most unimaginable play ground which are now in our playgrounds. Play grounds in Old Lave fabulous playgrounds which cater for older & young kids they are imaginative & fun at the same time. What would be wrong with putting in a water play thing which sends sprays of water up at odd times etc. We have the creek near by so it shouldn't be too hard to do so. A cement lizard or whatever for kids to climb over, just to mention a few.

PLEASE be a bit more practical & O.H.S. aware of the decisions you are making for our citizens & town.

Your sincerely,

[REDACTED]

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To the C.E.O & Councilors

Of the Moira Shire Council.

We write this letter in regards to the Numurkah Play Space Project, and its 3 elements.

This Project and its concept have real merit, but all projects need funding and there is no mention of this critical point on Moira Shires web page. We feel the Rate Payers have a right to know if the money has been allocated for the project and where it is coming from.

We feel any proposal put forward regarding outdoor activity for children is a necessity in many aspects. I.E Children's health and wellbeing and future growth for the town.

We agree wholeheartedly with the 1st element of this proposal, being the renewal of the Apex Park Playground, as we need to keep up with the ever changing needs and safety aspects in regards to playgrounds. Safety being no 1 priority.

In regards to the 2nd element, being a Junior Skate Park, we feel there are many questions to answer regarding Safety of the location and proximity to the lakes edge. We also think the existing skate park would be deemed Junior, given its size and limited activity range. So we feel any upgrades to the skate park should be a step up from the existing and in a separate location with less congestion. And without the need of the 3rd element of this proposal, being a Wombat Crossing.

Child Safety must be the Shires no1 priority in this proposal, so to expand on this existing skate park on the lake and the use of a crossing on busy Tunnock rd, which is the gateway to all sporting facilities, will create many dangers for our children and the parents alike.

The 2nd element of this project is a great idea, but it needs to be placed in a safer and uncongested area in our opinion. And that area is the underutilized Lions Park.

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Yet again the Moira Shire has given its citizens very little consultation time and limited information on a Proposal. And given recent mishandling of other important projects in the town of Numurkah. I.E Flood Mitigation and Rowe st pond, we feel Numurkah residents deserve better treatment and transparency into all projects.

Sincerely yours.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Numurkah.

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14 September 2020

Attention: CEO, Mayor and Councillors
Moirā Shire Council
PO Box 578
Cobram VIC 3643

By email: info@moira.vic.gov.au

Dear Sir/Madam

Numurkah Play Space Upgrade Project

We act on behalf of [REDACTED]. Our clients have provided us with a survey plan and other associated information with regard to the proposed Numurkah Play Space Upgrade Project.

We are instructed that a number of objections have been submitted to Council raising matters in relation to a flooding, appropriateness of the proposed site and general planning issues.

Our clients particularly wish to raise a further issue in relation to child safety. In that regard, we note:

1. That there will be unrestricted access to an area of water adjacent to the proposed development;
2. That it is proposed that the area be developed on either side of a busy local road (Tunnock Road);
3. Council has undertaken recorded observations of the speeds of motor vehicles along Tunnock Road. The results indicate that it is an area of persistent non-compliance with relevant speed limits;
4. Our clients are concerned that the above represents at least two identifiable sources of significant risk for younger children;
5. Our clients initially seek your advice as to whether a full and proper analysis has been undertaken of the potential risks to which young children using the facility would be exposed from the above and other aspects of the development; and

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We trust that the above will receive appropriate consideration by Council as this matter goes forward.

Yours faithfully



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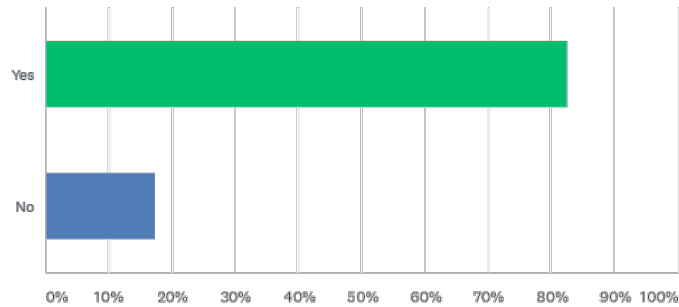
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ATTACHMENT No [4] - Second survey - online results

Numurkah Skate Park Beginners Area - Community Survey

Q1 Do you like the proposed concept design?

Answered: 86 Skipped: 0



| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES | |
|----------------|-----------|----|
| Yes | 82.56% | 71 |
| No | 17.44% | 15 |
| TOTAL | | 86 |

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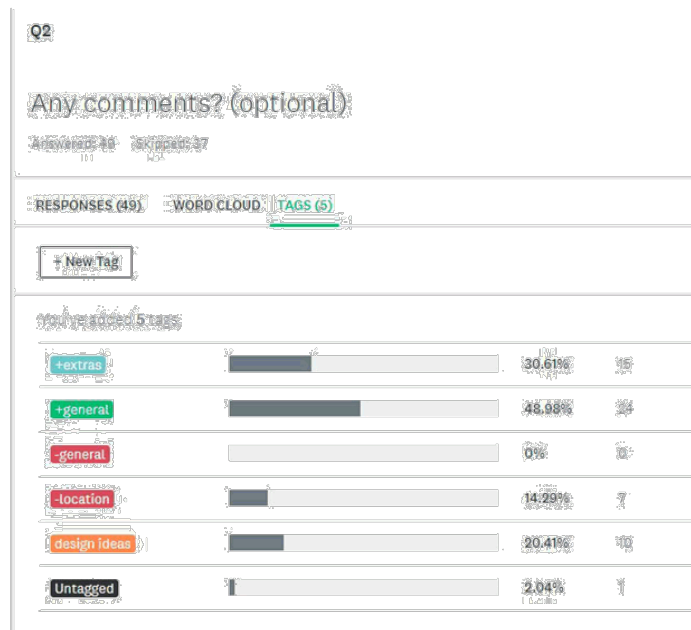
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Q2 Any comments? (optional)

Answered: 49 Skipped: 37



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| # | RESPONSES | DATE |
|----|--|--------------------|
| 1 | -location It is too close to a major road. I can see accidents just waiting to happen. The children are not supervised. | 2/27/2021 5:03 PM |
| 2 | -location It's in the wrong location. The amenity of the creek frontage is being destroyed. There are numerous safety issues-refer to objection email. | 2/27/2021 1:47 PM |
| 3 | +general Great for the town! | 2/27/2021 1:18 PM |
| 4 | -location i think that the little kids should be over near the bbq & playground area. this is way too close to the road & i presume it has been moved to here because of one person's complaints that complains about everything & you idiots let them get away with it every time | 2/25/2021 4:53 PM |
| 5 | +extras +general I think it is a positive development for the local community and see it as an opportunity to attract young families to this particular recreation area assuming very young skaters would attend with some supervision by parents or adults. I would STRONGLY recommend that the plans include provision of a shaded retreat if this project is sincere in looking after the interests of the community from a sun-safe perspective as well as a haven where adults can rest and view. Hope to see this incorporated. | 2/24/2021 11:59 AM |
| 6 | +general It's a safe idea to extend and have additional sections. We love the skate park!! | 2/22/2021 6:05 PM |
| 7 | -location It is unsafe to extend according to these plans. There is no provision for car parking and small children will be getting out of cars on a busy main road, used by people from golf club, football oval ect. This extension brings it closer to Melville St. Constantly used by Ambulance and Fire Brigade at high speed. Small children and parents have to cross a busy road to toilet facilities. Accident waiting to happen. Might be safer to extend out the other end and provide safe parking. | 2/18/2021 8:37 AM |
| 8 | +general Great idea to give our youth a place they can enjoy and be physically active | 2/15/2021 9:48 PM |
| 9 | -location I think it's a great option for the beginners but it needs to be across the road towards the bbqs . It's getting too close to the tocumwal Tunnock rd corner as it is children regularly spill out onto the road and parents cars need to park in a safer location like around the corner at bbqs of the main busy Tunnock rd it just makes a lot of common sense for this plan not to go ahead and be built across the road | 2/12/2021 4:10 PM |
| 10 | +extras Shade cloth over skate park | 2/11/2021 7:23 PM |
| 11 | +extras A public drinking fountain is needed and some sun shading | 2/11/2021 7:23 AM |
| 12 | +extras Large wifi speakers for 24hr music please | 2/10/2021 3:36 PM |
| 13 | +extras It would be nice if the exiting sign is straightend up | 2/10/2021 2:01 PM |
| 14 | +general Very much needed. | 2/10/2021 7:58 AM |
| 15 | +general Please build ! Kids active V Kids Stationary No Brainer | 2/9/2021 10:13 PM |
| 16 | +extras design ideas Are A should be 5mt h area C should be 4 metres. Many younger kids won't be confident in using the A edge until more experienced. | 2/9/2021 9:54 PM |
| 17 | +extras Shade cloth over the park | 2/9/2021 5:37 PM |
| 18 | +general The skate park has needed an upgrade for years! | 2/9/2021 5:07 PM |
| 19 | +extras design ideas I think it needs a small box ramp so those learning can practice to ease themselves into the bigger one. Also a small straight ledge and straight rail would be awesome for kids to learn on | 2/9/2021 4:04 PM |
| 20 | design ideas The ramps and banks on the left side seem like they would be way to harsh to ride. I'd recommend getting 'convic' to design the skatepark. They have made many good parks | 2/9/2021 2:40 PM |
| 21 | +extras +general Any positive development to enhance the young members of our community is excellent . As I am a resident and required to drive , walk past this facility I wish to bring to your the attention the absolute need for a fence structure of some description on the street corner of the skate area . Particularly as younger people will be here. The seating at present is far from this area. T I have witnessed x 2 near incidents with children running out on the road (requiring cars to stop) at the corner turn from Melville Street . . As a result I choose another road option to my residence . This is a busy corner with multiple sporting clubs down Tunnock Rd. Thankfully no fatalities to date. | 2/9/2021 1:29 PM |
| 22 | -location It should be on the south side of tunnock road away from the bigger kids & closer to bbq & play ground | 2/9/2021 1:25 PM |

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| 23 | +general | I think it's a fantastic ideas for the little ones | 2/9/2021 1:08 PM |
| 24 | +general | Would be good to see it be completed. We do need our skatepark to be bigger. | 2/9/2021 9:00 AM |
| 25 | design ideas | I think it would be handy to get a real skateboard park designer to help out with this. I have planned many holidays around going to good parks. This new design is about 30 years old. Please look up https://concreteskateparks.com/services/ or https://grindprojects.com/ to help out | 2/9/2021 8:45 AM |
| 26 | +general | Great idea for the safety of the little ones. More inclusive for all the community and allow the bigger ones a safer ride too. | 2/9/2021 7:33 AM |
| 27 | | The original skate park committee gave money to Moira Shire to hold for future extension of current skate park to build a beginners/young children's area. It is hoped these funds would be returned for the intended use. | 2/8/2021 10:37 PM |
| 28 | +general | Where is it going to be built?? Take up more park land | 2/8/2021 10:18 PM |
| 29 | +general | Would be great for the smaller riders as they sometimes get in the road of the older more experienced skaters. This new area would prevent some of the injuries to the young skaters. | 2/8/2021 10:07 PM |
| 30 | +general | It will be fabulous to have this addition in Numurkah. We have keen boys who love the skatepark but not when it is busy..they shy away when there is lots of people. Having this addition is much appreciated for the younger kids. Great work team! | 2/8/2021 9:25 PM |
| 31 | +general | This will be a very welcomed area for beginners. | 2/8/2021 8:08 PM |
| 32 | +extras design ideas | Could the design be more rounded at ends to blend a bit more rather than just another block of concrete | 2/8/2021 7:43 PM |
| 33 | +general | Hopefully this is just the start of further expansions. The kids will love it. | 2/8/2021 7:03 PM |
| 34 | +general | Great idea keep the kids away from the bigger people who are scary to our little one although would be good the see the other side get a update | 2/8/2021 6:44 PM |
| 35 | +general | Will be good for the youth | 2/8/2021 6:35 PM |
| 36 | design ideas | Too basic and boring, yes it's a beginner park but even children will get bored of that quick, needs a bowl off to the side. An actual half pipe boxes ledges grind rails something that attracts all bmx scooter skateboards etc to point building a little boring park when you can do it right The first time and build something good that will keep people going and attract riders from other areas to numurkah. When I was younger and use to ride bmx we would travel to skateparks and then into for lunch wether it be the bakery or something. Bring more money to the town. | 2/8/2021 6:09 PM |
| 37 | +general | Do it, You wouldn't... you're too scared | 2/8/2021 5:53 PM |
| 38 | +extras | Fence? | 2/8/2021 5:48 PM |
| 39 | +general | Hopefully its big enough to cater for the high volume of kids and adults that use the skate park. Especially the little ones. Our current skate park is too small and dangerous for the little kids when primary and secondary school kids are there | 2/8/2021 5:22 PM |
| 40 | design ideas | Very poor design. Looks like a early 90s skate park before they got skateboarders to design them. | 2/8/2021 4:46 PM |
| 41 | location design ideas | The whole thing needs to be bigger & moved AWAY from the main roads!! Closer to the football field. I have actually seen a small child zoom straight out onto the road...This spot is ridiculous & I've seen better skateparks in towns half the size of Numurkah.. | 2/8/2021 4:32 PM |
| 42 | +general | I think this is perfect. There's finally a safe space for young beginners to have a go without the fear of being knocked over by an older person/potentially injuring themselves on the bigger drops. | 2/8/2021 4:23 PM |
| 43 | +general | This is a great start, will be nice to see it progress. My child uses this a lot after school. | 2/8/2021 4:09 PM |
| 44 | design ideas | I think you should make something for the more better skaters like a new ramp | 2/8/2021 4:06 PM |
| 45 | +extras | I am concerned that this 'beginners area' will be used as an extension of the existing skate park and will not be available for the true beginners. Will there be a fence separating the 2 areas? | 2/8/2021 3:34 PM |

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| 46 | +extras design ideas | A small flat rail to grind in the middle of the front ramps would be good, considering there isn't anywhere to practice or learn grinds at the park | 2/8/2021 3:24 PM |
| 47 | +general | Please do it | 2/8/2021 3:18 PM |
| 48 | +extras | Are there plans for adult seating along the edge? Beginners would be attending with parents. | 2/8/2021 3:18 PM |
| 49 | +extras +general | Any addition for the smaller kids is a plus. Needs more shaded areas for seating though. | 2/8/2021 3:05 PM |

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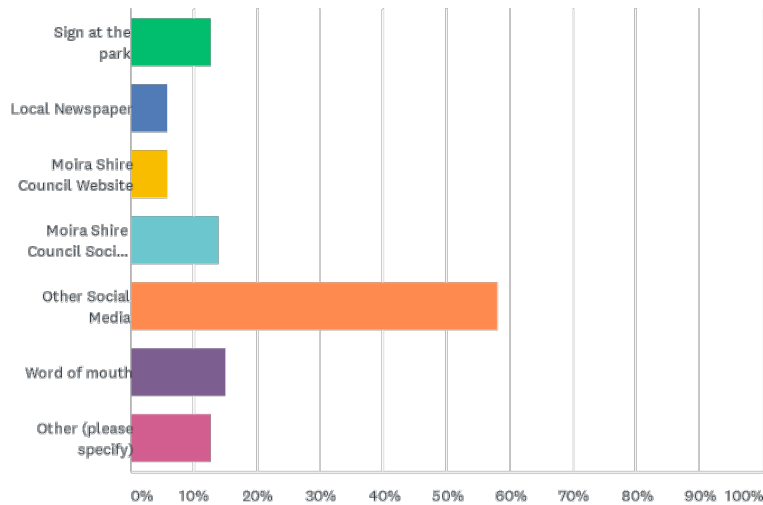
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Q3 Please tell us how you heard about this survey (please tick all that apply)

Answered: 86 Skipped: 0



| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES | |
|----------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Sign at the park | 12.79% | 11 |
| Local Newspaper | 5.81% | 5 |
| Moira Shire Council Website | 5.81% | 5 |
| Moira Shire Council Social Media | 13.95% | 12 |
| Other Social Media | 58.14% | 50 |
| Word of mouth | 15.12% | 13 |
| Other (please specify) | 12.79% | 11 |
| Total Respondents: 86 | | |

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ATTACHMENT No [5] - Second survey - written submissions

26 February 2021

Moirā Shire Council
PO Box 578
COBRAM 3643

Your ref: Numurkah Playground

By email: info@moira.vic.gov.au

Dear Sir/Madam

Numurkah Play Space Upgrade Project

We refer to previous correspondence and confirm that we still hold instructions in this matter.

We wish to reiterate the matters referred to in our letter of 14 September 2020 (copy enclosed).

Our clients are profoundly concerned that the configuration and site of the proposed playground development, will expose children and members of the public generally to excessive risk of motor vehicle and other accident.

Our clients are presently seeking expert advice with regard to those matters.

We would request provision of copies of any safety audits or assessments which were carried out with regard to the matters referred to in the enclosed correspondence.

Yours faithfully

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Cobram VIC 3643

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Upgrade Project

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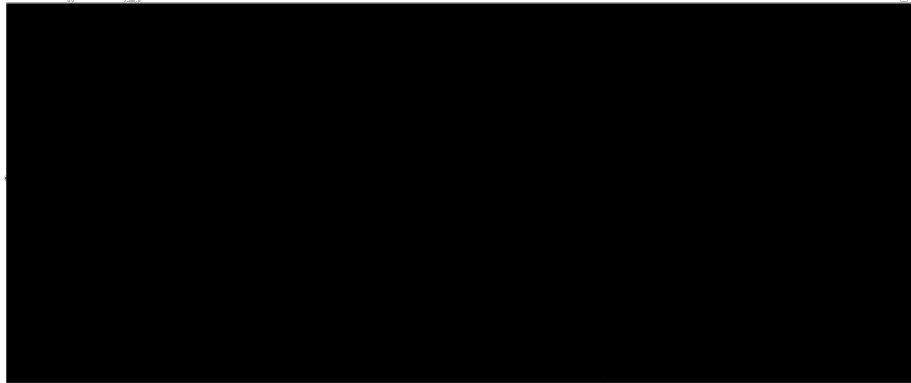
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Numurkah
Vic 3636
26/02/21

Moira Shire
44 Station street
Cobram
Vic 3644

Attention: CEO Moira Shire -Mark Henderson
CC: General Manager Infrastructure Moira Shire Andrew Close
Moira Shire Councillors

Re: Numurkah Junior Skate Park

Submission to object to the proposed Numurkah Junior Skate Park

Frankly, I am perplexed, without any acknowledgment let alone a response to a submission by myself and my husband (also attached), and no doubt by extrapolation other folk that entered submissions in relation to the proposed wombat crossing in Tunnock Road - where we stated our grave concern for the safety of pedestrians that would use such a crossing and particularly young children using this crossing, even in the shadow of a potentially disastrous and tragic outcome the Moira Shire Council seem to be barrelling on with this project!!!

Primarily the concern with this crossing is the intended location of a very short distance from the corner of Tunnock Road & Melville Street - noted as 2 of the busiest streets in Numurkah - such that vehicles would struggle to stop safely in time for pedestrians and if they do, cause an unnecessary traffic jam for motorists that are looking for clear passage in their travels. In relation to young children's use of the proposed wombat crossing, studies have proven that young children have little effective peripheral vision, therefore, cannot safely cross roads unattended until this peripheral vision has developed - and in most cases, this is for all of the primary school years.

For the Moira Shire to seemingly be proceeding with this evidently very dangerous crossing - as feedback is now being called for a junior skate park, I wish to further register my objection to this proposed wombat crossing in Tunnock Road. To proceed would be nothing short of negligent behavior, simply because the objective of wombat crossing is to promote a safe crossing passage, which for the reasons mentioned above simply cannot meet the criteria of SAFE! It then becomes a double indemnity such that the crossing is anything but safe but will encourage unguarded crossing by pedestrians like young children - those most vulnerable to injury from moving vehicles.

Surely some commonsense and duty of care must apply here. I call on the Moira Shire to use the available funding to work with the community to relocate the skate park and the play space to a safe location - many of which have been flagged with the council -specifically-

- Lions Park Numurkah
- Open space in Exhibition Street Numurkah
- Youth Club oval Numurkah

It, therefore, goes without saying until a safer play space location that doesn't call for - in this instance -an **UNSAFE WOMBAT CROSSING** can be secured by the Moira Shire any plans for a junior skate park should e be abandoned, if for no other reason than for the protection of some of our most vulnerable community members - young children.

Yours

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Sent: Thursday, 25 February 2021 4:28 PM
To: Moira Shire Council
Subject: Community Consultation. Att. Planning Department, Council Officers and Elected Councillors Ed Cox, Kevin Bourke, Wayne Limbrick, Libro Mustica, Marie Martin, Peter Elliot, Peter Lawless, Julie Brooks

Dear Moira Shire Planning Department, Council Officers and Elected Councillors,

I am writing to share my concerns regarding the level of Community Consultation and input available to the ratepayers of Moira Shire prior to the commencement of public works which impact the amenity and have the potential to change the face of our towns- in particular I refer to the recent call for input (Numurkah Leader Wed. 17th Feb.) regarding the proposed additions to the skate park on the banks of the Broken Creek in Numurkah.

Back in September I answered a similar call for feedback and lodged a formal objection on several grounds. To this day I have not received any response whatsoever regarding that objection. My concerns at the time were, and still are, not that the town doesn't need a skate park but that the original park was built in the wrong place despite strong objections from the community at the time. There are many safety concerns not only for the young users of the park but for the older residents and families who liked to use the creek frontage for safe passive recreation. This is no longer possible due to the number of bicycles left lying on the grass near the concrete skate ramp and kids riding bikes and skateboards on nearby footpaths. The 'dividing' of Apex park by footpaths will allow skate boards access to that area which is currently enjoyed by many families with toddlers and elderly members. Apex park will no longer be safe for these families.

The configuration and proximity of the streets around the skate park area make it a less than ideal site for a child's playground. The area is much too close to the busy corner of Melville Street and Tunnock Road and in a perfect position for a car to career around the corner and straight on to the skate park area. The construction of a wombat crossing may well give the kids a false sense of security and facilitate them crossing the road on skate boards-it will not prevent cars from speeding around the corners or along Tunnock Road.

The skate park also detracts considerably from the aesthetics of the creek frontage which is one of Numurkah's major natural attractions.

I also note that current members of Council Staff have been commenting on Social Media about the proposed additions to the skate park which I believe contravenes council policy.

On January the 21st I came across two ladies at a table in Newman Square-I stopped and asked them who they were to be told they were Moira Shire employees conducting a Community consultation. There were no signs identifying them as from the council and only two other people had put their names on the contact list. I now know the "event" was advertised in that morning's Leader. Given that the Consultation was for a short time commencing at 12 noon I do not consider it to have been a genuine opportunity for community consultation.

I am greatly disappointed in Council and feel 'lip service' only is given to all the 'right' things but I certainly do not feel

Informed, consulted, involved, collaborated with or empowered by my contacts with council.

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I am hoping our elected councillors will take note of my concerns. I am looking forward to hearing from some of you.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

Yours sincerely



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ATTACHMENT No [6] - Raised Pedestrian Crossing Preliminary Design Road Safety Audit



Tunnock Road,
Numurkah

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ATTACHMENT No [6] - Raised Pedestrian Crossing Preliminary Design Road Safety Audit



Raised Pedestrian Crossing

Preliminary Design Road Safety Audit

Client:

Moirā Shire Council

Project No. 200746

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INTRODUCTION

Trafficworks has been engaged by Moira Shire Council to undertake a preliminary design road safety audit of the proposed raised pedestrian (wombat) crossing along Tunnock Road in Numurkah between Melville Street and Harbison Avenue.

The audit was conducted by:

Stuart Redman [BEng (Civil)(Hons)]

Senior Road Safety Auditor and

Paul Mihailidis [BEng (Civil), GradCert Mgt]

Senior Road Safety Auditor

The audit included an inspection of the site during the afternoon and the night of 11 March 2021. Conditions during the day inspection were fine and sunny, and at night, the conditions were clear and calm.

Description of the site

Existing conditions

Tunnock Road is classified as an 'access' road by the Council and is generally aligned in an east to west direction. It provides a connection between Melville Street to the west and Powell Road to the east. This section of Tunnock Road is configured as a divided carriageway with one traffic lane in each direction.

At the northern end is a skate park and park land (south of the Broken Creek) and to the south is a park with toilets, play equipment and a barbecue area.

The urban default speed limit of 50 km/h applies to Tunnock Road.

The road and the surrounding road network are shown in Figure 1.

Proposed conditions

The proposal includes the following:

- installation of a raised pedestrian (wombat) crossing on Tunnock Road between Melville Street and Harbison Avenue
- modification of the kerb on both sides of Tunnock Road and the installation of a central raised median island
- installation of tactile ground surface indicators (TGSIs), heavy duty bollards and two street lights.

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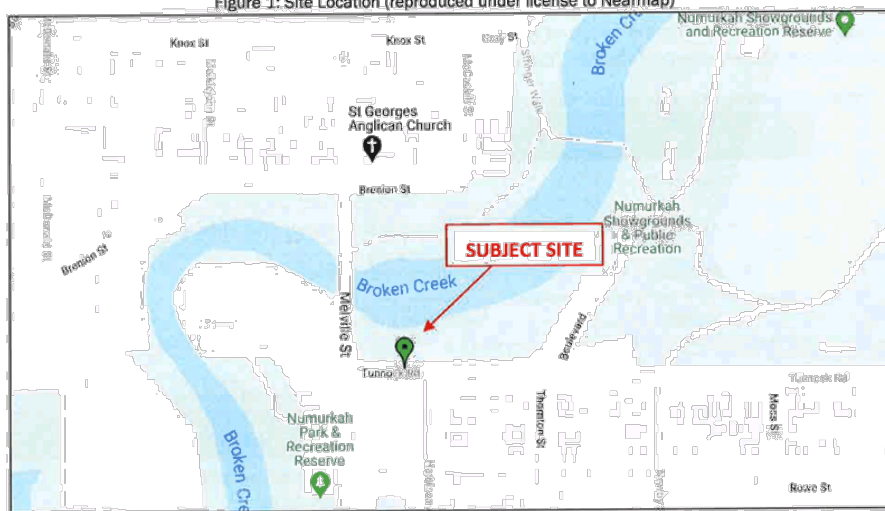
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Figure 1: Site Location (reproduced under license to Nearmap)



Supporting information used in the audit

The following plans were used when conducting the audit:

- 'Tunnock Road Numurkah Raised Pedestrian Crossing' prepared by Moira Shire Council, sheets 1 to 5 (drawing numbers and issue dates not provided).

Road safety audit process

This Road Safety Audit has been conducted in accordance with the procedures set out in the Austroads Guide to Road Safety Part 6: Managing Road Safety Audits (2019) and Austroads Guide to Road Safety Part 6A: Implementing Road Safety Audits (2019). It has reviewed the site and the details contained within the supporting documentation to identify issues which affect road user safety. The auditor cannot guarantee that every issue that affects road user safety has been identified. Although the adoption of the audit recommendations will improve the level of safety of the site it will not, however, eliminate all the road user safety risks.

The findings included within the audit have been given a risk rating based on the likelihood of a crash occurring because of the deficiency together with the potential consequence of that crash.

The risk ratings adopted are as follows:

- Intolerable
- High
- Medium
- Low

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Trafficworks also denotes a risk rating of "Note only" for drafting errors, omissions, issues recognised to be outside the scope of works, and items to be noted within the scope of works that do not constitute a road safety risk. Tables 1 – 3 demonstrate the risk rating assessment process.

Table 1: Likelihood of a crash (source: Austroads Guide to Road Safety Part 6A: Implementing Road Safety Audits)

| Frequency | Description |
|------------|---|
| Frequent | Once or more per week |
| Probable | Once or more per year (but less than once a week) |
| Occasional | Once every five to ten years |
| Improbable | Less often than once every ten years |

Table 2: Likely severity of a crash (source: Austroads Guide to Road Safety Part 6A: Implementing Road Safety Audits)

| Severity | Description | Examples |
|--------------|---|--|
| Catastrophic | Likely multiple deaths | High speed, multi-vehicle crash on a freeway Car runs into crowded bus stop Bus and petrol tanker collide Collapse of a bridge or tunnel |
| Serious | Likely deaths or serious injury | High or medium speed vehicle/vehicle collision High or medium speed collision with a fixed roadside object Pedestrian or cyclist struck by a car |
| Minor | Likely minor injury | Some low speed vehicle collisions Cyclist falls from bicycle at low speed Left-turn rear-end crash in a slip lane |
| Limited | Likely trivial injury or property damage only | Some low speed vehicle collisions Pedestrian walks into object (no head injury) Car reverses into post |

Table 3: Resulting level of risk (source: Austroads Guide to Road Safety Part 6A: Implementing Road Safety Audits)

| | Frequent | Probable | Occasional | Improbable |
|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| Catastrophic | Intolerable | Intolerable | Intolerable | High |
| Serious | Intolerable | Intolerable | High | Medium |
| Minor | Intolerable | High | Medium | Low |
| Limited | High | Medium | Low | Low |

The Safe System Approach has been formally adopted by Department of Transport and Austroads. Research has found the chances of surviving a crash decrease markedly above certain speeds, depending on the type of crash:

- Pedestrian struck by vehicle 20 to 30 km/h

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- Motorcyclist struck by vehicle (or falling off) 20 to 30 km/h
- Side-impact vehicle striking a pole or tree 30 to 40 km/h
- Side-impact vehicle to vehicle crash 50 km/h
- Head-on vehicle to vehicle (equal mass) crash 70 km/h


Road Safety Audits are a formal process and the audit findings and recommendations should be responded to by the client in writing. If recommendations are not accepted by the client then reasons should be included within the written response. A client is under no obligation to accept all the audit findings and recommendations and should consider these in conjunction with all other project considerations. It is not the role of the auditor to approve the client's response to the audit.

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| FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS | | | | |
|------------------------------|---|--|-------------|---|
| No | Audit Findings | Audit Recommendations | Risk Rating | Client Response Accept: Yes / No Reasons / Comments |
| 1 | GENERAL TOPICS | | | |
| 1.1 | Drainage | | | |
| 1.1.1 | The plans do not include pavement contours making it difficult to determine if satisfactory surface drainage of the roadway will be achieved. However, the plans do indicate where two new drainage pits are to be located. | Consider the preparation of a drainage plan to show that satisfactory surface drainage will be achieved. | NOTE ONLY | Yes Drainage details are included in the updated design and plans. |
| 2 | DESIGN ISSUES (GENERAL) | | | |
| 2.1 | Design Standards | | | |

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| | Audit Findings | Audit Recommendations | Risk Rating | Client Response | |
|-------|--|---|---|---------------------|---|
| | | | | Accept: Yes / No | Reasons / Comments |
| 2.1.1 | Swept path analysis plans were not provided with the preliminary design plans. The proposed pedestrian crossing needs to be checked to ensure satisfactory operation for the design vehicle, the check vehicle and service / emergency vehicles. | Carry out swept path analysis of the final design in accordance with Austroads Guide to Road Design Part 4: Intersections and Crossings – General (AGTRD4). | NOTE ONLY | Yes | Refer to the revised design for the swept path showing a 12.5m single unit truck/bus manoeuvring around the corner and over the raised pedestrian crossing. |
| No | | | | | |
| 2.1.2 | On the approaches to the wombat crossing, kerb outstands are proposed to be installed to reduce the pedestrian cross walk and improve visibility of pedestrians at the crossing to approaching motorists. Heavy duty bollards are proposed for the kerb outstands. There is a risk that motorists may strike the kerb and/or the bollards at the kerb outstands on both approaches to the crossing. | Consider installing D4-1-2 unidirectional hazard markers at the start of the narrowing and/or line marking to delineate the kerb outstands. | Likelihood: Improbable Severity: Limited Risk Rating: LOW | Yes | Refer to the revised design for the signage and line marking details. |
| 2.2 | Roadway layout | | | | |



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| No | Audit Findings | Audit Recommendations | Risk Rating | Client Response | |
|-------|--|---|---|------------------|--|
| | | | | Accept: Yes / No | Reasons / Comments |
| 2.2.1 | In accordance with Section 2.4.3 of AS1742.13, raised pedestrian crossing devices should be installed at right angles to the travelled path, to ensure both front wheels on a vehicle begin to rise or fall concurrently. Due to the close proximity of the crossing to Harbison Avenue, the location of the proposed platform may result in vehicles traversing the ramps with wheels at different levels, potentially causing instability and resulting in a crash. | Confirm through a swept path assessment that the travelled path is at right angles to reduce the risk of vehicle instability. | Likelihood: Improbable Severity: Minor Risk Rating: LOW | Yes | Refer to the revised plans for the swept path showing a 12.5m single unit truck/bus manoeuvring around the corner and over the raised pedestrian crossing. |
| 2.2.2 | There is a risk of rear end or side swipe collisions if a turning vehicle from Harbison Avenue must suddenly stop for a pedestrian on the crossing. | Reconsider the crossing location to reduce the risk of rear end crashes. | Likelihood: Improbable Severity: Minor Risk Rating: LOW | | Refer to the signage and line marking design – pedestrian crossing sign on Harbison Street coming up to Tunnock Road. |
| 3 | SPECIAL ROAD USERS | | | | |



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| TRAFFIC WORKS | | | | | Client Response | |
|---------------|---|---|---|-----|--|-----------------------|
| | | | | | Accept: Yes / No | Reasons / Comments |
| 3.1 | Pedestrians | | | | Risk Rating | Audit Recommendations |
| 3.1.1 | There are two existing pedestrian layback crossings to the east and west of the proposed new crossing. The plans do not show if these crossings will be retained or removed. | Review the existing pedestrian crossing point immediately to the east and west. Remove if no longer required, particularly the crossing near Harbison Avenue. | Likelihood: Improbable Severity: Serious Risk Rating: MEDIUM | Yes | Existing laybacks to be demolished shown in revised design. | |
| 3.1.2 | No new path connections are shown on the plan, particularly on the southern side of the road. Connectivity between the existing path network and the new crossing should be included to reduce the risk of a pedestrian tripping on an uneven surface. | Provide a connecting footpath on the southern side of the crossing. | Likelihood: Improbable Severity: Serious Risk Rating: MEDIUM | Yes | Refer to updated design showing a connected footpath on the southern side of the crossing. | |
| No | Audit Findings | | | | | |


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| 3.1.3 | <p>The following issues have been identified with the TGSi arrangements at the wombat crossing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> northern side - the TGSi's should extend across the path southern side - a connecting footpath with TGSis is required (refer item 3.1.2) <p>Missing TGSis could cause confusion to vision impaired pedestrians resulting in risk of a pedestrian tripping on an uneven surface.</p> | Update TGSi arrangements leading to the wombat crossing. | <p>Likelihood: Improbable</p> <p>Severity: Serious</p> <p>Risk Rating: MEDIUM</p> | <p>Yes</p> <p>Refer to updated design showing the extension of the TGSi's.</p> |
| 4 | SIGNS AND LIGHTING | | | |
| 4.1 | Lighting | | | |
| 4.1.1 | <p>The design plans show the inclusion of two new lights at the proposed crossing. However, there were no public lighting assessment plans provided for the audit.</p> <p>As such, street lighting was not assessed as part of this audit.</p> | Undertake a public lighting assessment to confirm that the proposed new lighting is satisfactory. | NOTE ONLY | <p>Yes</p> <p>Lighting design has been completed.</p> |
| 4.2 | Signs | | | |
| 4.2.1 | <p>There were no signs and linemarking plans provided for the audit. The location of all signs and line marking in accordance with AS1742.2 needs to be shown.</p> <p>Furthermore, no advance warning signs are shown for the proposed 'Wombat Crossing'.</p> | Provide a signs and linemarking plan for auditing. | NOTE ONLY | <p>Yes</p> <p>Refer to the updated signage and line marking design.</p> |
| No | Audit Findings | Audit recommendations | Risk Rating | Client Response |

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| TRAFFICWORKS | | | |
|---------------------|--|--|---|
| Accept: Yes / No | Reasons / Comments | | |
| Yes | NOTE ONLY | Consider when updating the design plans. | Refer to the updated signage line marking design. |
| | 4.2.2 According to Clause 4.3.4 of AS 1742.13, 'road hump' warning signs should not be used at a raised pedestrian crossing. | | |

Client response completed by:
Andrew Close

General Manager Infrastructure

Name: Moira Shire Council

Signed:

Date: 13 April 2021

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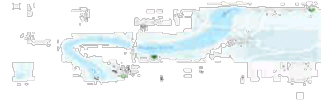
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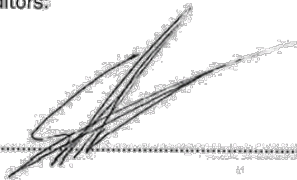
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CONCLUSION

This Road Safety Audit has been conducted in accordance with the procedures set out in the Austroads Guide to Road Safety Part 6: Managing Road Safety Audits (2019) and Austroads Guide to Road Safety Part 6A: Implementing Road Safety Audits (2019). The site has been inspected and the supporting documentation has been examined. The findings and recommendations are provided for consideration by the client and any other interested parties.

Auditors:



(Friday 19 March 2021)

Stuart Redman [BEng (Civil)(Hons)]
Senior Road Safety Auditor



(Friday 19 March 2021)

Paul Mihailidis [BEng (Civil), GradCert Mgt]
Senior Road Safety Auditor

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4. A WELL RUN COUNCIL

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C033/20 - MAINTENANCE AND SERVICING OF AIR CONDITIONING UNITS

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Award the contract for C033/20 Maintenance and Servicing of Air Conditioning Units to Airmaster Australia Pty Ltd; and
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to sign and seal the contract documents.

1. Executive Summary

Moirā Shire Council invited submissions for the maintenance and servicing of air conditioning units in council service centers and buildings.

After consideration of the submissions, the evaluation panel recommends that contract C033/20 be awarded to Airmaster Australia Pty Ltd.

2. Background and Options

The scope of works under contract include:

- Cleaning filters
- Confirming system operation and cycle through thermostat
- Comparing voltage and amp. drawn on all motors to rating
- Checking and if required lubricating fan motor and bearings
- Checking alignment of blower belt, adjust belts for proper tension
- Checking and cleaning if required evaporator coil and condensing coil
- Examining contactors and capacitors
- Removing cage fan and cleaning if required
- Examining all wiring and electrical connections, repair, cap or tape loose wiring
- Checking and cleaning of all type air filters including air intake filters and internal external filters.

This is a Schedule of Rates contract for an initial term of 1 year commencing 22 July 2021.

Upon mutual agreement the contract may be extended by single periods of 12 months to a maximum contract period of three years (1+1+1).

Date of Public Notice

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| TenderSearch | 23 January 2021 |
| Border Mail | 23 January 2021 |
| Shepparton News | 26 January 2021 |
| Cobram Courier | 27 January 2021 |
| Numurkah Leader | 27 January 2021 |
| Yarrawonga Chronicle | 27 January 2021 |

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**C033/20 - MAINTENANCE AND SERVICING OF AIR CONDITIONING UNITS
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Submissions closed 17 February 2021.

Receipt of Tenders

8 submissions were received.

Supervision

Superintendent: Executive Manager Operations

Superintendent Representative: Coordinator Facilities and Maintenance

Panel Membership

Staff in the following positions independently evaluated the submissions:

- Executive Manager Operations
- Coordinator Facilities and Maintenance
- Team Leader Facilities and Maintenance

The Procurement Coordinator moderated the tender evaluation.

Non-conforming tenders

No submission was considered to be non-conforming.

Tender Evaluation

The following evaluation criteria and weightings were used:

| Evaluation Criteria | Evaluation Weighting |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| Price | 30% |
| Track Record | 20% |
| Staff and Resources | 15% |
| Management of Schedules | 15% |
| Compliance with Specification | 10% |
| Contribution to Local Economy | 10% |

A summary of the evaluation is provided in the confidential attachment.

3. Financial Implications

The recommendation is within the approved budget.

4. Risk Management

To minimise the risks associated with the works under contract, the following conditions must be met:

- The successful contractor is to be the holder of Public Liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$20 million.
- Works under contract will be governed and construed by the Australia Standard General Conditions of Contract AS4919-2003 – General Conditions of Contract for Maintenance and Other Services.
- Prior to the commencement of works, the successful contractor must supply the

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Superintendent the following occupational Health and Safety documents:

- Contractor Verification Checklist
- Coordination Plan
- Job Safety Analysis Statements
- All on-site personnel are required to undertake a Moira Shire Council Site Induction.

5. Internal and External Consultation

The tender was advertised on Council's TenderSearch website, Border Mail, Shepparton News and the local newspapers.

The Team Leader Facilities and Maintenance, Manager Operations and General Manager Infrastructure approved the tender documentation.

6. Regional Context

This project contributes to the strategic objective of continuing to maintain and provide facilities and services that our community value and need.

7. Council Plan Strategy

The Council Plan addresses the need for a well-run Council by implementing a transparent, engaging and accountable governance structure for current and future generations. The processes undertaken to award the contract meet the legislative and policy requirements relating to procurement and tendering.

8. Legislative / Policy Implications

The tender process was undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the section 186 of the *Local Government Act* and Council's adopted Procurement Policy.

9. Environmental Impact

Clause 1.24 of the Specification stipulates the contractor's environmental responsibilities and will form part of the contract.

10. Conflict of Interest Considerations

There was no conflict of interest declared for this tender evaluation process.

11. Conclusion

The recommendation is to award contract C033/20 to Airmaster Australia Pty Ltd.

Attachments

- 1 C033/20 Maintenance and Servicing of Air Conditioning Units - APPENDIX A (CONFIDENTIAL) -

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ITEM NO: 10.4.5

C037/20 - REPLACEMENT OF WRIGHTS BRIDGE, WRIGHTS BRIDGE ROAD

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Award the contract for C037/20 Replacement of Wrights Bridge, Wrights Bridge Road to Nelmac Pty Ltd.
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to sign and seal the contract documents.

1. Executive Summary

Moirá Shire Council invited submissions from suitably experienced contractors for the replacement of Wrights Bridge on Wrights Bridge Road, Barmah.

After consideration of the submissions, the evaluation panel recommends that contract C037/20 be awarded to Nelmac Pty Ltd.

2. Background and Options

The project comprises of the removal of the existing timber bridge and construction of a new dual lane bridge on the same alignment.

The scope of work includes:

- Site establishment including traffic management around the site. (Detours, permits etc.)
- Removal of the existing timber and steel structure and disposal of waste off-site (Reusable timber is to be salvaged by Moirá Shire Council for community use)
- Salvage of existing steel girders for reuse in the new structure
- Supply and installation of steel piles and construction of piers
- Supply and installation of cast-in-situ concrete abutments
- Installation of salvaged steel girders and other girders supplied by the Council
- Supply and installation of concrete bridge deck
- Construction of approach roadworks
- Supply and installation of 'low performance' bridge barrier rail
- Cleaning up, demobilising and making good the site

Alternative designs complying with all Australian Standards and SM1600 loading criteria was also accepted and encouraged.

Works are to be completed within 30 weeks from the date of acceptance and will be paid as lump sum.

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| TenderSearch | 27 February 2021 |
| Border Mail | 27 February 2021 |
| Shepparton News | 2 March 2021 |
| Cobram Courier | 3 March 2021 |
| Numurkah Leader | 3 March 2021 |
| Yarrawonga Chronicle | 3 March 2021 |

Submissions closed 24 March 2021.

Receipt of Tenders

2 submissions were received.

Supervision

Superintendent: Manager Construction and Assets

Superintendent Representative: Coordinator Design and Construction

Panel Membership

Staff in the following positions independently evaluated the submissions:

- Manager Construction and Assets
- Coordinator Design and Construction
- Consultant - Construction and Assets

The Procurement Coordinator moderated the tender evaluation.

Non-conforming tenders

Alternative non-conforming tenders were invited from tenderers to assess alternative design possibilities.

After evaluation, the conforming tender submissions was considered over the non-conforming submissions.

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Tender Evaluation

The following evaluation criteria and weightings were used:

| Evaluation Criteria | Evaluation Weighting |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Price | 40% |
| Track Record | 20% |
| Staff and Resources | 10% |
| Management of Schedules | 10% |
| Compliance with Specification | 10% |
| Contribution to Local Economy | 10% |

A summary of the evaluation is provided in the confidential attachment.

3. Financial Implications

The recommendation is within the approved budget.

4. Risk Management

To minimise the risks associated with the works under contract, the following conditions must be met:

- The successful contractor is to be the holder of Public Liability Insurance with a minimum coverage of \$20 million.
- Works under contract are to comply with the VicRoads Standard Specification for Roadworks and Bridgeworks and the Local Government Infrastructure Design Manual.
- Works under contract will be governed and construed by the Australia Standard General Conditions of Contract AS4000-1997.
- The successful contractor is required to submit a COVID-19 Management Plan including how they intend to implement the Government Guidelines.
- The successful contractor will be appointed as the Principal Contractor and is authorised to have management or control of the workplace and discharge of duties in relation to the Occupational Health and Safety Act and Regulations.
- Prior to the commencement of works, the successful contractor must supply the Superintendent with a Traffic Management Plan, Environmental Management Plan and a Health and Safety Co-ordination Plan inclusive of:
 - Contractor Verification Checklist
 - Coordination Plan
 - Safe Work Method Statements
- Various hold points will be applicable where the work may not proceed without review and approval by the Superintendent.
- All on-site personnel are required to undertake a Moira Shire Council Site Induction.
- A Plant Risk Assessment is required for each item of heavy plant to be supplied, hired or expected to enter the work site.

FILE NO: C037/20
4. A WELL RUN COUNCIL

ITEM NO: 10.4.5

**C037/20 - REPLACEMENT OF WRIGHTS BRIDGE, WRIGHTS BRIDGE ROAD
(cont'd)**

5. Internal and External Consultation

The tender was advertised on Council's TenderSearch website, Border Mail, Shepparton News and the local newspapers.

The Manager Construction and Assets and General Manager Infrastructure approved the tender documentation.

6. Regional Context

This project contributes to the strategic objective of continuing to maintain and provide facilities and services that our community value and need.

7. Council Plan Strategy

The Council Plan addresses the need for a well-run Council by implementing a transparent, engaging and accountable governance structure for current and future generations. The processes undertaken to award the contract meet the legislative and policy requirements relating to procurement and tendering.

8. Legislative / Policy Implications

The tender process was undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the section 186 of the *Local Government Act* and Council's adopted Procurement Policy.

9. Environmental Impact

Clause 1.24 of the Specification stipulates the contractor's environmental responsibilities and will form part of the contract.

In addition, the contractor is required to provide an Environmental Management Plan prior to the works commencing.

10. Conflict of Interest Considerations

There was no conflict of interest declared for this tender evaluation process.

11. Conclusion

The recommendation is to award contract C037/20 to Nelmac Pty Ltd.

Attachments

- 1 C037/20 - Replacement of Wrights Bridge, Wrights Bridge Road - APPENDIX A (CONFIDENTIAL) -

FILE NO: C001/21
4. A WELL RUN COUNCIL

ITEM NO: 10.4.6

C001/21 - YARRAWONGA SHOWGROUNDS INTERNAL ACCESS ROAD AND DRAINAGE UPGRADE

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Award the contract for C001/21 Yarrawonga Showgrounds Internal Access Road and Drainage Upgrade to BR Excavations Pty Ltd.
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to sign and seal the contract documents.
3. Approve the allocation of \$300,000 from cash reserves toward the variation and installation of services for the future Yarrawonga Multisport Stadium.

1. Executive Summary

Moira Shire Council invited submissions for the internal road construction and associated works at the Yarrawonga Showgrounds, Dunlop Street Yarrawonga.

After consideration of the submissions, the evaluation panel recommends that contract C001/21 be awarded to BR Excavations Pty Ltd.

The works being undertaken under this contract will potentially be impacted in the future with the installation or variation of services for the future Yarrawonga Multisport Stadium. It is recommended that Council allocate \$300,000 of funds from cash reserves to undertake the installation or variation of services concurrently to minimise the risk of future damage to the works completed under this contract.

2. Background and Options

The scope of works under contract include:

- Excavation
- Drainage
- Concrete kerb and channel
- Road pavement
- Asphalt surfacing
- Linemarking and signage

Works are to be completed within 14 weeks from the date of acceptance and will be paid as lump sum.

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| TenderSearch | 13 February 2021 |
| Border Mail | 13 February 2021 |
| Shepparton News | 16 February 2021 |
| Cobram Courier | 17 February 2021 |
| Numurkah Leader | 17 February 2021 |
| Yarrawonga Chronicle | 17 February 2021 |

Submissions closed 10 March 2021.

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C001/21 - YARRAWONGA SHOWGROUNDS INTERNAL ACCESS ROAD AND DRAINAGE UPGRADE (cont'd)

Receipt of Tenders

8 submissions were received.

Supervision

Superintendent: Manager Construction and Assets

Superintendent Representative: Coordinator Design and Construction

Panel Membership

Staff in the following positions independently evaluated the submissions:

- Manager Construction and Assets
- Coordinator Design and Construction
- Project Engineer Construction and Assets

The Procurement Coordinator moderated the tender evaluation.

Non-conforming tenders

No submission was considered to be non-conforming.

Tender Evaluation

The following evaluation criteria and weightings were used:

| Evaluation Criteria | Evaluation Weighting |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| Price | 40% |
| Track Record | 20% |
| Staff and Resources | 10% |
| Management of Schedules | 10% |
| Compliance with Specification | 10% |
| Contribution to Local Economy | 10% |

A summary of the evaluation is provided in the confidential attachment.

3. Financial Implications

The project is being funded through Stage 1 of the Federal Government Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program (LRCIP). The current budget allocation for this project is insufficient to cover this contract as well as the previously approved Dunlop St works.

LRCIP funds are also being used to fund the Yarrawonga Boat Ramp project and Parks Victoria's decision to leave the access road as unsealed has reduced the project cost significantly.

These savings are to be reallocated to this project and cover the shortfall of funds to allow the contract to be awarded and to provide a contingency.

4. Risk Management

The works under the contract take place between Dunlop Street and the proposed site for the Yarrawonga Multisport Stadium. The building project will require the installation or variation of services, water, gas, sewer, and power, for the building to be able to function.

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C001/21 - YARRAWONGA SHOWGROUNDS INTERNAL ACCESS ROAD AND DRAINAGE UPGRADE (cont'd)

To minimize the risk to the works under this contract it is proposed that any necessary works to install or vary the location of these services is undertaken before the works under this contract are completed.

This will require Council to allocate \$300,000 for its cash reserves to fund these works.

To minimise the risks associated with the works under contract, the following conditions must be met:

- The successful contractor is to be the holder of Public Liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$20 million.
- The successful contractor is required to submit a COVID 19 Management Plan including how they intend to implement the Government Guidelines.
- The successful contractor will be appointed as the Principal Contractor and is authorised to have management or control of the workplace and discharge of duties in relation to the Occupational Health and Safety Act and Regulations.
- Prior to the commencement of works, the successful contractor must supply the Superintendent with a Traffic Management Plan, Environmental Management Plan and a Health and Safety Coordination Plan inclusive of:
 - Contractor Verification Checklist
 - Coordination Plan
 - Safe Work Method Statements
- Various hold points will be applicable where the work may not proceed without review and approval by the Superintendent.
- All on-site personnel are required to undertake a Moira Shire Council Site Induction.
- A Plant Risk Assessment is required for each item of heavy plant to be supplied, hired or expected to enter the work site.

5. Internal and External Consultation

The tender was advertised on Council's TenderSearch website, Border Mail, Shepparton News and the local newspapers.

The Coordinator Design and Construction, Manager Construction and Assets and General Manager Infrastructure approved the tender documentation.

6. Regional Context

This project contributes to the strategic objective of continuing to maintain and provide facilities and services that our community value and need.

7. Council Plan Strategy

The Council Plan addresses the need for a well-run Council by implementing a transparent, engaging and accountable governance structure for current and future generations. The processes undertaken to award the contract meet the legislative and policy requirements relating to procurement and tendering.

8. Legislative / Policy Implications

The tender process was undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the section 186 of the *Local Government Act* and Council's adopted Procurement Policy.

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C001/21 - YARRAWONGA SHOWGROUNDS INTERNAL ACCESS ROAD AND DRAINAGE UPGRADE (cont'd)

9. Environmental Impact

Clause 1.20 of the contract specific clauses stipulates the contractor's environmental responsibilities and will form part of the contract.

In addition, the contractor is required to provide an Environmental Management Plan prior to the works commencing

10. Conflict of Interest Considerations

There was no conflict of interest declared for this tender evaluation process.

11. Conclusion

The recommendation is to award contract C001/21 to BR Excavations Pty Ltd.

It is also recommended that Council allocate \$300,000 from cash reserves toward the installation or variation of services to support the future Yarrawonga Multisport Stadium project.

Attachments

- 1 C001/21 Yarrawonga Showgrounds internal access road and drainage upgrade - Tender Evaluation Report - *Confidential* -

FILE NO: C045/20
4. A WELL RUN COUNCIL

ITEM NO: 10.4.7

C045/20 - BITUMINOUS RESEALING

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Award the contract for C045/20 Bituminous Resealing to Primal Surfacing Pty Ltd.
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to sign and seal the contract documents.

1. Executive Summary

Moira Shire Council invited submissions from suitably qualified organisations or individuals for the bituminous resealing of designated local roads throughout the municipality.

After consideration of the submissions, the evaluation panel recommends that contract C045/20 be awarded to Primal Surfacing Pty Ltd.

2. Background and Options

This contract provides for the following works:

- a) Design of bitumen/binder application rate;
- b) Design of aggregate spreading rate;
- c) Supply, delivery and mixing of binder and additives;
- d) Supply and delivery of sealing aggregate including preparation of stacksites;
- e) Advising residents in urban areas of the works prior to commencement;
- f) Installation of temporary signing and control of traffic during and after sealing works;
- g) Sweeping and cleaning of surface prior to spraying;
- h) Placing temporary raised pavement markers to locate existing line markings;
- i) Remove and dispose of raised reflective pavement markers and repair pavement;
- j) Surface pre-treatment of hungry areas;
- k) Supply, placing, removal and disposal of paper for protection;
- l) Loading, heating and application of binder;
- m) Loading, pre-coating, carting, spreading of aggregate;
- n) Rolling of aggregate;
- o) Removal of excess aggregate from sealed pavement surface;
- p) Reinstatement of line marking;
- q) Provision of sealing records;
- r) Maintenance of works.

This is a Schedule of Rates contract for an initial term of 1 year commencing 22 July 2021. Upon mutual agreement the contract may be extended by single periods of 12 months to a maximum contract period of three years (1+1+1).

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C045/20 - BITUMINOUS RESEALING (cont'd)

Date of Public Notice

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| TenderSearch | 20 February 2021 |
| The Age | 20 February 2021 |
| Border Mail | 20 February 2021 |
| Shepparton News | 23 February 2021 |
| Cobram Courier | 24 February 2021 |
| Numurkah Leader | 24 February 2021 |
| Yarrawonga Chronicle | 24 February 2021 |

Submissions closed 17 March 2021.

Receipt of Tenders

7 submissions were received.

Supervision

Superintendent: Executive Manager Operations

Superintendent Representative: Superintendent Works and Services

Panel Membership

Staff in the following positions independently evaluated the submissions:

- Executive Manager Operations
- Superintendent Works and Services
- Team Leader Roads West

The Procurement Coordinator moderated the tender evaluation.

Non-conforming tenders

One tenderer submitted an alternative non-conforming tender. This submission was not considered by the evaluation panel.

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C045/20 - BITUMINOUS RESEALING (cont'd)

Tender Evaluation

The following evaluation criteria and weightings were used:

| Evaluation Criteria | Evaluation Weighting |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| Price | 30% |
| Track Record | 30% |
| Compliance with Specification | 5% |
| Skills and Resources | 10% |
| Management of Schedules | 15% |
| Contribution to Local Economy | 10% |

A summary of the evaluation is provided in the confidential attachment.

3. Financial Implications

The recommendation is within the approved budget.

4. Risk Management

To minimise the risks associated with the works under contract, the following conditions must be met:

- The successful contractor is to be the holder of Public Liability Insurance with a minimum coverage of \$20 million.
- The successful contractor is required to submit a COVID-19 Management Plan including how they intend to implement the Government Guidelines.
- Prior to the commencement of works, the successful contractor should provide the council a Traffic Management Plan and an Environmental Management Plan.
- Prior to the commencement of works, the successful contractor must supply the Superintendent the following Occupational Health and Safety documents:
 - a. Contractor Verification Checklist
 - b. Coordination Plan
 - c. Job Safety Analysis Statements
- All on-site personnel are required to undertake a Moira Shire Council Site Induction.
- A Plant Risk Assessment is required for each item of heavy plant to be supplied, hired or expected to enter the work site.

5. Internal and External Consultation

The tender was advertised on Council's TenderSearch website, The Age, Border Mail, Shepparton News and the local newspapers.

The Executive Manager Operations and General Manager Infrastructure approved the tender documentation.

6. Regional Context

This project contributes to the strategic objective of continuing to maintain and provide facilities and services that our community value and need.

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C045/20 - BITUMINOUS RESEALING (cont'd)

7. Council Plan Strategy

The Council Plan addresses the need for a well-run Council by implementing a transparent, engaging and accountable governance structure for current and future generations. The processes undertaken to award the contract meet the legislative and policy requirements relating to procurement and tendering.

8. Legislative / Policy Implications

The tender process was undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the section 186 of the *Local Government Act* and Council's adopted Procurement Policy.

9. Environmental Impact

Clause 1.25 of the Specification stipulates the contractor's environmental responsibilities and will form part of the contract.

Section 161 – Part D of VicRoads Standard stipulates the Environment management requirements the contractor has to follow and will form part of the contract.

10. Conflict of Interest Considerations

There was no conflict of interest declared for this tender evaluation process.

11. Conclusion

The recommendation is to award contract C045/20 to Primal Surfacing Pty Ltd.

Attachments

- 1 C045/20 Bituminous Resealing - Evaluation Report - APPENDIX A (CONFIDENTIAL)

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FILE NO: C004/21
4. A WELL RUN COUNCIL

ITEM NO: 10.4.8

C004/21 - PUSHING UP AND CRUSHING OF HILL GRAVEL

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Award the contract for C004/21 Pushing Up and Crushing of Hill Gravel, to Mibus Bros (Aust) Pty Ltd.
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to sign and seal the contract documents.

1. Executive Summary

Moir Shire Council invited submissions for the pushing up and crushing of hill gravel from Councils pit at School Road, Tungamah.

After consideration of the submissions, the evaluation panel recommends that contract C004/21 be awarded to Mibus Bros (Aust) Pty Ltd.

2. Background and Options

The purpose of the contract is to produce approximately 160,000 tonnes of material over two years to be used in Council's road re-sheeting and construction programme. Raw hill gravel and gravel crushed to a diameter of 40mm or less and 60mm or less is to be produced in the following quantities in the first year of the contract:

- **80,000 Tonne** of raw hill gravel

This 80,000 tonne of raw hill gravel is to be supplied as follows:

- **15,000 Tonne** crushed to **40mm or less**, and
- **65,000 Tonne** crushed to **60mm or less**.

The quantities in the second year of the contract will be confirmed by both the Contract Superintendent and the Contractor. The quantities may vary according to Council needs over the contract term.

This is a Schedule of Rates Contract for an initial term of 1 year, commencing 1 September 2021. Upon mutual agreement of the Council and the Contractor, the contract may be extended by single periods of 1 year to a maximum contract period of 3 years (1+1+1).

Date of Public Notice

| Paper | Date |
|----------------------|------------------|
| TenderSearch | 06 February 2021 |
| The Age | 06 February 2021 |
| Border Mail | 06 February 2021 |
| Shepparton News | 09 February 2021 |
| Cobram Courier | 10 February 2021 |
| Numurkah Leader | 10 February 2021 |
| Yarrawonga Chronicle | 10 February 2021 |

Submissions closed 3 March 2021.

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ITEM NO: 10.4.8

C004/21 - PUSHING UP AND CRUSHING OF HILL GRAVEL (cont'd)

Receipt of Tenders

15 submissions were received.

Supervision

Superintendent: Executive Manager Operations

Superintendent Representative: Superintendent Works and Services

Panel Membership

Staff in the following positions independently evaluated the submissions:

- Superintendent Works and Services - Operations
- Leading Hand - Operations
- Team Leader - Tungamah

The Procurement Coordinator moderated the tender evaluation.

Non-conforming tenders

No submission was considered to be non-conforming.

Tender Evaluation

The following evaluation criteria and weightings were used:

| Evaluation Criteria | Evaluation Weighting |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| Price | 30% |
| Track Record | 30% |
| Staff and Resources | 10% |
| Management of Schedules | 10% |
| Compliance with Specification | 10% |
| Contribution to Local Economy | 10% |

A summary of the evaluation is provided in the confidential attachment.

3. Financial Implications

The recommendation is within the approved budget.

4. Risk Management

To minimise the risks associated with the works under contract, the following conditions must be met:

- The successful contractor is to be the holder of Public Liability Insurance with a minimum coverage of \$20 million.
- The successful contractor is required to submit a COVID-19 Management Plan including how they intend to implement the Government Guidelines.
- Prior to the commencement of works, the successful contractor should provide the council a Traffic Guidance Plan while undertaking crushing operations.
- Prior to the commencement of works, the successful contractor must supply the Superintendent the following occupational Health and Safety documents:
 - Contractor Verification Checklist

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- Coordination Plan
- Job Safety Analysis Statements
- All on-site personnel are required to undertake a Moira Shire Council Site Induction.
- A Plant Risk Assessment is required for each item of heavy plant to be supplied, hired or expected to enter the work site.

5. Internal and External Consultation

The tender was advertised on Council's TenderSearch website, The Age, Border Mail, Shepparton News and the local newspapers.

The Executive Manager Operations and General Manager Infrastructure approved the tender documentation.

6. Regional Context

This project contributes to the strategic objective of continuing to maintain and provide facilities and services that our community value and need.

7. Council Plan Strategy

The Council Plan addresses the need for a well-run Council by implementing a transparent, engaging and accountable governance structure for current and future generations. The processes undertaken to award the contract meet the legislative and policy requirements relating to procurement and tendering.

8. Legislative / Policy Implications

The tender process was undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the section 186 of the *Local Government Act* and Council's adopted Procurement Policy.

9. Environmental Impact

Clause 1.25 of the Specification stipulates the contractor's environmental responsibilities and will form part of the contract.

10. Conflict of Interest Considerations

There was no conflict of interest declared for this tender evaluation process.

11. Conclusion

The recommendation is to award contract C004/21 to Mibus Bros (Aust) Pty Ltd.

Attachments

- 1 C004/21 Pushing Up and Crushing of Hill Gravel - APPENDIX A (CONFIDENTIAL) -

FILE NO: 1
4. A WELL RUN COUNCIL**ITEM NO: 13.1****PETITION - MOIRA SHIRE TO TAKE A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN RESOLVING
ISSUES RELATING TO LAKE NUMURKAH****RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. notes the petition for Moira Shire to take a leadership role in resolving issues relating to the Numurkah Lake;
2. continue to discuss the management of Numurkah Lake with its owner;
3. continue to develop, including in consultation with the community, a concept plan for Lake Numurkah in line with a set of four key guiding principles outlined in this report;
4. thank the signatories of the petition for their work and advise the first mentioned signatory of the petition of Council's decision; and
5. respond to any further petitions received on the lake in accordance with the decision of Council on the current petition without further referral to Council.

1. Executive Summary

Council has received a petition requesting the *“Moira Shire to take a leadership role in resolving issues relating to the extremely poor condition of Numurkah Lake.”*

We are aware that the Moira Shire is not the only stakeholder in the lake issues, but recognize that by draining a large section of Numurkah directly into the lake, the Shire has contributed greatly to the poor condition of the water”.

This petition, which had 209 signatories, was tabled at the 24 February 2021 Ordinary Council meeting. Subsequently this petition (#1) was addressed at the Council meeting held on the 24 March 2021. Council resolved to endorse the recommendations listed 1:4 above.

Furthermore, at the 24 March 2021 Council Meeting a second petition (#2) was received. The wording of petition #2 was identical to that of number 1 and had 516 signatories. This report responds to petition #2.

This report also reiterates the information provided in the March 2021 Council papers relating to the current Lake Numurkah situation. As Petition number 1 and 2 were received within a month of one another the information provided is similar. This report does provide further information reflecting progress in relation to this matter. It specifically defines four key principles that will be applied to guide the development of the Lake Numurkah concept plan.

Council acknowledges that there are now over 700 signatories between the two petitions. Therefore, included in this report is a further recommendation regarding how to respond to future petitions about this matter.

2. Background and Options

Previous reports to Council note the following salient points in relation to Lake Numurkah:

- the lake at Numurkah was constructed in the late 1970's by a private developer over a combination of private land, crown land, creek frontage reserve and road reserves;

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**PETITION - MOIRA SHIRE TO TAKE A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN RESOLVING
ISSUES RELATING TO LAKE NUMURKAH (cont'd)**

- Numurkah Shire Council supported development of the lake which it saw as providing a lake that the community could enjoy as well as development opportunities for the private interest that owned most of the land;
- the proposal involved minimal if any construction and ongoing maintenance by the Council;
- the private land holders as the major land holders were responsible for the lake and for filling it with water from a privately held allocation;
- the owners of the lake have a water entitlement;
- Council does not own, manage or control any water supply specifically associated with the lake except for some town drainage outfalls; and
- the estimated average annual evaporation from the lake is 155Ml per annum.

Ownership and management of the lake is summarized in the following table:

| Owner | Area | Percentage of total |
|-----------------------------|----------------|---------------------|
| Private ownership | 8.2 ha | 58% |
| DELWP owned and managed | 1.9 ha | 13% |
| DELWP owned Council managed | 4.2 ha | 29% |
| Total | 14.3 ha | 100% |

During the millennium drought there was a significant decline in the condition of the lake. This resulted in the preparation of the Concept Plan for Lake Numurkah which was adopted on the 18 July 2011. This decision was taken post a two staged community consultation. Firstly, the consultation commenced with the establishment of the Numurkah Lake Advisory Committee who sought input from the community in the preparation of the draft concept. Secondly a broad consultation phase regarding the proposed draft took place.

Key features of the Concept Plan included a series of deep pools and connecting channels, ephemeral marshlands, wetlands, pedestrian circulation and a series of activity zones.

A number of significant things have occurred since 2011. This includes the floods of 2012, and the adoption of the Murray Darling Basin Plan and with it substantial reform of the water industry. These factors have contributed to the concept plan not progressing.

Since the millennium drought northern Victoria has experienced a series of wetter years' which saw the lake return to levels considered more 'normal'. However, over recent years' drought conditions have lowered the lakes water level once again. This has resulted in a decline in water quality and loss of recreational activity, habitat and amenity.

Furthermore, provision for future growth in Numurkah is northward of Wattle Drive. Storm water from this future development will ultimately need to discharge to the Broken Creek.

In response to the issues noted above, as well as increasing concern being raised by the community, an allocation of \$50,000 was made in the 2020/2021 Council budget. This allocation is to further develop, including in consultation with the community, a concept plan for Lake Numurkah.

A set of four key principles are proposed to guide the development of the Lake Numurkah concept plan. The guiding principles are:

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1. retaining a portion of the lake for ornamental/ recreational purposes;
2. use Integrated Water Management for water treatment;
3. incorporate wetlands into the design; and
4. provide a drainage outcome for the current and future drainage needs including considerations of future development that may occur northward of Wattle Drive.

Council Officers and representatives of the owners of Lake Numurkah have been in frequent contact over recent months and continue to discuss issues and explore future options regarding the lake. The owners of the lake are critical stakeholders in any matters relating to it and their input and cooperation is essential for any long term and permeant solution to what is otherwise a recurring issue for the Numurkah community.

The petition states that *“the Shire has contributed greatly to the poor condition of the water”*. The cause of the poor quality of water in the lake is unknown and may be a result of storm water discharge or evaporation concentrating naturally occurring contaminants, or a combination of both. A feature of the concept plans (both 2009 and proposed) is to provide areas that would remove sediment, nitrogen and phosphorous and therefore improve water quality.

3. Financial Implications

The cost of the works identified in the concept plan was estimated at the time to be approximately \$1.5 million + earthworks.

In recent years Council has undertaken a number of activities and made the following improvements in and around the lake:

- tree planting along Madigan St;
- installed exercise equipment along Madigan St;
- quarterly Water Quality readings (since January 2019) which has resulted in on site signage and media releases;
- aquatic Weed Management Plan 2018 prepared;
- aquatic Flora Survey 2018 prepared;
- fish Relocation 2019 in partnership with the Lake owners and Vic Fisheries; and
- photo point Monitoring – Ad Hoc basis since 2019

In addition, approx. 500 plants will be planted along Lake Numurkah in 2021 to fill in the gaps for shade, amenity and biodiversity purposes.

These works have cost approximately \$40,000.

4. Internal and External Consultation

Members of the public have approached Council numerous times over the past 18 months raising concerns about the condition of Lake Numurkah. This has resulted in a number of meetings and ongoing discussion between representatives of the owners of the lake, the manager of Lakeside resort and Council.

Therefore, Council is aware that many people have a strong interest in Lake Numurkah and value it highly for a variety of recreation activities and also as an environmental asset.

In February 2021 Council received a petition, which had 209 signatories. This petition (#1) was addressed at the Council meeting held on the 24 March 2021. Council has now

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**PETITION - MOIRA SHIRE TO TAKE A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN RESOLVING
ISSUES RELATING TO LAKE NUMURKAH (cont'd)**

received a second petition (#2) which this report has been prepared to respond to. The wording of petition #2 was identical to that of number 1 and had 516 signatories. This current report provides a further recommendation regarding how to respond to future petitions about this matter.

Community consultation will be undertaken in further advancing the concept plan for Lake Numurkah.

5. Conflict of Interest Considerations

There are no Officer conflicts of interest to consider in relation to this report.

6. Conclusion

Council has recently received a petition, with 516 signatories, requesting *“Moira Shire to take a leadership role in resolving issues relating to the extremely poor condition of Numurkah Lake.*

We are aware that the Moira Shire is not the only stakeholder in the lake issues, but recognize that by draining a large section of Numurkah directly into the lake, the Shire has contributed greatly to the poor condition of the water”.

This report outlines key information about Lake Numurkah and the history of its management. Council acknowledges that members of the community, including the signatories of the current petition have a strong interest in the lake.

Therefore, an allocation of \$50,000 is in the current year’s budget for further development of a concept plan for Lake Numurkah. This report defines four key principles that will be applied to guide the development of the Lake Numurkah concept plan. Community consultation will also be an important part of the concept planning process.

Council Officers and representatives of the owners of Lake Numurkah have been in frequent contact over recent months and continue to discuss issues and explore options regarding the lake.

Recommendations are made for Council to:

1. note the petition for Moira Shire to take a leadership role in resolving issues relating to the Numurkah Lake;
2. continue to discuss the management of Numurkah Lake with its owner;
3. continue to develop, including in consultation with the community, a concept plan for Lake Numurkah in line with a set of four key guiding principles;
4. thank the signatories of the petition for their work and advise the first mentioned author of the petition of Council’s decision; and
5. that any further petitions on this matter will be responded to as per the petitions received without further referral to Council.

Attachments

Nil

FILE NO: VARIOUS

ITEM NO: 15

GENERAL BUSINESS**6.4. General business**

(1) If the Agenda for a Meeting makes provision for urgent business, business cannot be admitted as Urgent Business other than by resolution of Council and only then if:

- (a) It relates to or arises out of a matter which has arisen since distribution of the Agenda; and
- (b) deferring the item until the next Meeting will mean a decision on the item will not have any effect on the matter; or
- (c) the item involves a matter of urgency as determined by the Chief Executive Officer; and
- (d) it cannot be addressed through an operational service request process.
- (e) the matter does not:
 - substantially affect the levels of Council service;
 - commit Council to significant expenditure not included in the adopted budget;
 - establish or amend Council Policy; or
 - commit Council to any contractual arrangement.

(2) A Councillor proposing a matter be admitted as urgent business must lodge it in writing to the Chief Executive Officer four (4) hours prior to the Meeting.

(3) The Chief Executive Officer will advise the Mayor of any matter he or she determines appropriate for Council to consider admitting as urgent business.

FILE NO: VARIOUS

ITEM NO: 16

MEETING ADJOURNMENT**RECOMMENDATION**

That the meeting be adjourned for 10 minutes.

RECOMMENDATION

That the meeting be resumed.

RECOMMENDATION

That pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Act 2020 (the Act), the meeting will now be closed to members of the public to enable the meeting to discuss matters in items 17.1 which the Council may, pursuant to the provisions of Section 66 (2) of the Act resolve to be considered in closed session.

RECOMMENDATION

That the recommendations of the "Closed" Meeting of Council be adopted.