

PRESENT: Cr Kodi Brady (Chairperson), Cr Jason Newton, Mr Stephen Walton (CRLFC), Mr Gary McKernan (Boxing), Mr Ian Clifton (CRUFC), Mrs Emmah Watton (Netball) and Mr Tim Evans (CJRNC).

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr Gary Murphy (Director Technical Services) and Mrs Nicole Benson (Manager Urban Services and Facilities).

APOLOGIES: Ms Deborah Mukhar (Soccer).

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

6/2223 RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the Coonabarabran Sporting Complex Advisory Committee meeting held on 9 November 2022 be confirmed.

Newton/Walton

BUSINESS ARISING

- Balance of Works at No 3 Oval – an update was provided and Council are awaiting quotations for flooring works in toilets.
- Emmah Varty reported that the new pole for moving the basketball hoops works well. Staff to be thanked and congratulated for their innovation.

AGENDA ITEMS

a) Greyhound Track

- MUSF advised that she had made several more unsuccessful attempts to contact Greyhound Racing NSW. The latest was an email enquiry through the website advising that Council is about to remove and dispose of the infrastructure. A letter will be posted in the mail advising the same and giving a notice period.
- Gary McKernan had raised the matter with a person involved in greyhounds. It was also suggested that other local greyhound clubs such as Moree and Coonamble be contacted about the equipment.
- Storage for Netball was discussed and it was agreed that the sheds closest to the netball courts are to be used in future for netball storage but, not until the matter with Greyhound Racing NSW has been resolved.

b) Resources for Regions Round 9 Funding for New Amenities

- Manager Projects, Rejoice De Vera was introduced to the Committee. Discussion was held around the scope of the project and the next steps. A concept plan used for the funding application was tabled and discussed. It was agreed that requirements for the new amenity block are:
 - Central location between No 2 and No 3 Ovals.
 - Storage to be larger than shown on plan. WSC staff to look at the size of the storage at No 1 and propose something slightly larger.
 - Two divisible change rooms (to make four change rooms) incorporating more bench seating than shown on the plan, four showers in each change room. It was noted that adding showers would add costs and a discussion was held around the frequency of dividing the change rooms and using all four at once. Each represented group gave examples of when this would occur.
 - Referee room and first aid room.

- Kiosk needs to contain lockable storage, be large and face both fields and also open up on one end of the building with an awning for protection.
- Two more public toilets plus a urinal should be added.

A discussion around the timing of the Masterplan was held. It was agreed that a Masterplan with the building already identified on it would be beneficial as some of the preliminary work such as location of services etc would already be completed. A modular system is being proposed as they are cheaper to construct and flexible in that they can be added to in future stages. For this project the budget is \$889,716 and the facility that is constructed must be within that cost including investigations, design, construction and project management.

ACTION – A site meeting with all Committee members to show the first draft concept and potential locations will be held once Council has completed site investigations and developed a draft concept.

c) Oval Bookings

- Bookings have been advertised and an email sent to all groups in the Shire to apply for winter use. The changes, while not quite an electronic/online system, are aimed at ensuring facilities are ready for use; that usage conflicts are mitigated; and to assist in managing staff workloads.
- It was noted that some groups may not be able to be too specific with trial or competition dates as draws have not been finalised. MUSF advised that this is understandable and that WSC is flexible around these situations.

GENERAL BUSINESS

The following items were discussed:

- Stronger Country Communities Round 5 awarded Council \$430,892 for a 'Shire Wide Sporting Facility Upgrade Program'. Council applied for more than this so are in the midst of negotiating scope and budget changes with the funding body. It is hoped that funding will be provided to complete more fencing at No 3 Oval and remediation at No 2 Oval.
- Sowing of ovals with rye grass was discussed.
- BBQ and tree planting at the skate park and pump track was raised and the MUSF advised that the BBQ had arrived. Trees are also to be planted to complete the project and it was agreed that the community could be part of this and to celebrate the upgrade of the area.
- Paper wasps at the netball courts have nests under the power box near the tap and around some of the hoops. There is also a large nest at Native Grove Cemetery. MUSF to arrange removal.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.15pm.

The next meeting will be held in the Gallery Meeting Room, Coonabarabran on Thursday, 23 March 2023 commencing at 5.00pm.

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CHAIRPERSON