

'The Hive'

a community lifestyle centre

**Health and fitness gym
Enhanced library services
Visitor Information Centre
Cinema/theatre/exhibitions
Public artworks
Telecentre, conference and training facilities**

**The Coolah District Development Group, with assistance from
Warrumbungle Shire Council, has developed this concept
into 'The Hive'**

**For the Coolah Shire Hall to become the hub
of our main street**

We need your support

'The Hive' - a community centre for culture, lifestyle and fun

The redevelopment of Coolah Shire Hall

What is it?

The Hive describes Coolah's community vision of a cultural and lifestyle hub in the town's main shopping and business area. *The Hive* is really a combined cultural and health fitness centre, providing a gym, enhanced library facilities, cinema, theatre, exhibitions and tourist information. Together these services create a multi-functional community venue located in the heart of Coolah.

What has happened so far?

The Coolah Shire Hall building currently accommodates the Council Library, the Coolah District Development Group's (CDDG) office and telecentre, and public toilet facilities. These services are located at the Hall's rear, incorporating the old 'stage' and 'backstage' area. The main hall area is currently vacant.

In 1996 the Coolah community identified priority projects for the direction of Coolah's future. Many of these projects have been realised, such as the Main Street Redevelopment and 'Jazz in the Tops'. The next level of Coolah's future development has arisen from the success of these projects, creating an ideal platform for redeveloping the Shire Hall into a community cultural and lifestyle hub – *The Hive*.

The Hive will incorporate the following facilities and services:

- Health and fitness lifestyle centre - *Hive Live*
- Enhanced library services
- Visitor Information Centre (tourism)
- Telecentre services (existing)
- Multi-Use Entrance Foyer – exhibitions/cinema/theatre
- Public Artworks
- Training and conference rooms
- Public toilet facilities (existing)

What will it give Coolah?

The Hive will provide a facility for individuals and community groups to pursue their interests and develop opportunities. From fitness and preventative health activities, to dropping in whilst in the main street for a casual read of magazines, to browsing through an exhibition, checking the latest out on the Internet, attending a theatre or movie – this is all available in the one venue with the proposed redevelopment of the Coolah Shire Hall.

Want to see this happen?

If you, or your community group, are interested in *The Hive*, then please contact us. Simply write or email to the address below. We need support in the form of donations, volunteers, and interested people or organizations wishing to run activities at *The Hive*. This is Coolah's community centre for our community's interests.

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