From: 2357 Secretary

Sent: Wednesday, 26 January 2022 4:25 PM

Subject: Draft MOU

Dear Mr Bailey,

The 2357 Development Group Inc. have considered the draft MOU:

Memorandum of Understanding, Community Development Coordinator Program, Warrumbungle Shire Council, 2021 - 2025 Draft Consultation Document

There was only one comment of concern to all members present at the meeting last Thursday.

In section 1. It states that Council's financial contribution would be \$25,000 + GST per annum for the three years. This is the amount of contribution to the program for the past three years and the three years before that. After discussion the meeting decided it was fair and reasonable to request that consideration be given to increasing this to \$30,000 + GST per annum.

In making this request we considered:

The draft states that the amount of external funding to be sourced per annum has risen from \$50,000 to \$70,000. Considering the time required to work on an additional \$20,000 it would be reasonable to consider increasing the contribution.

We note that costs are generally going up. The CPI in the December quarter saw an increase of 1.3% and the financial year to date an increase of 3.5%. This with the uncertain economic recovery from the Pandemic justifies requesting consideration to the modest contribution increase requested.

We would like to thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft MOU and for considering the request we make in good faith.

Also my apologies for not sending you this information yesterday. There was an unplanned trip by ambulance yesterday that interrupted the day. All is well.

Your sincerely,

Sue Freebairn

Hon Secretary 2357 Development Group Inc.