

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council
held at Council Chamber, 15 Stead Street Ballan
on Wednesday 15 May 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Members:

Cr. Paul Tatchell (Mayor)	Central Moorabool Ward
Cr. John Keogh (Deputy Mayor)	East Moorabool Ward
Cr. David Edwards	East Moorabool Ward
Cr. Tonia Dudzik	East Moorabool Ward
Cr. Jarrod Bingham	East Moorabool Ward
Cr. Tom Sullivan	West Moorabool Ward
Cr. Pat Toohey	Woodlands Ward

Officers:

Mr. Derek Madden	Chief Executive Officer
Mr. Phil Jeffrey	General Manager Community Assets and Infrastructure
Mr. Satwinder Sandhu	General Manager Community Planning
Mr. Danny Colgan	General Manager Community Development

Derek Madden
Chief Executive Officer

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1. OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor, Cr Tatchell opened the meeting at 6.03pm.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY

We respectfully acknowledge the traditional owners of this land, their spirits and ancestors.

3. PRESENT

<i>Cr. Paul Tatchell (Mayor)</i>	<i>Central Moorabool Ward</i>
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<i>Mr. Steve Ivelja</i>	<i>Chief Financial Officer</i>
<i>Mr. Ian Waugh</i>	<i>Manager Community & Recreation Development</i>
<i>Ms. Yvonne Hansen</i>	<i>Manager Governance, Risk and Corporate Planning</i>
<i>Ms. Michelle Morrow</i>	<i>Coordinator Governance / Minute Taker</i>

4. APOLOGIES

<i>Cr. David Edwards</i>	<i>East Moorabool Ward</i>
<i>Cr. Tom Sullivan</i>	<i>West Moorabool Ward</i>
<i>Cr. Pat Toohey</i>	<i>Woodlands Ward</i>

5. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Under the Local Government Act (1989), the classification of the type of interest giving rise to a conflict is; a direct interest; or an indirect interest (section 77A and 77B). The type of indirect interest specified under Section 78, 78A, 78B, 78C or 78D of the Local Government Act 1989 set out the requirements of a Councillor or member of a Special Committee to disclose any conflicts of interest that the Councillor or member of a Special Committee may have in a matter being or likely to be considered at a meeting of the Council or Committee.

Definitions of the class of the interest are:

- a direct interest
 - (section 77A, 77B)
- an indirect interest (see below)
 - indirect interest by close association (section 78)
 - indirect financial interest (section 78A)
 - indirect interest because of conflicting duty (section 78B)
 - indirect interest because of receipt of gift(s) (section 78C)
 - indirect interest through civil proceedings (section 78D)
 - indirect interest because of impact on residential amenity (section 78E)

Time for Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest

In addition to the Council protocol relating to disclosure at the beginning of the meeting, section 79 of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act) requires a Councillor to disclose the details, classification and the nature of the conflict of interest immediately at the beginning of the meeting and/or before consideration or discussion of the Item.

Section 79(6) of the Act states:

While the matter is being considered or any vote is taken in relation to the matter, the Councillor or member of a special committee must:

- (a) leave the room and notify the Mayor or the Chairperson of the special committee that he or she is doing so; and
- (b) remain outside the room and any gallery or other area in view of hearing of the room.

The Councillor is to be notified by the Mayor or Chairperson of the special committee that he or she may return to the room after consideration of the matter and all votes on the matter. There are important reasons for requiring this disclosure immediately before the relevant matter is considered.

- Firstly, members of the public might only be in attendance for part of a meeting and should be able to see that all matters are considered in an appropriately transparent manner.

- Secondly, if conflicts of interest are not disclosed immediately before an item there is a risk that a Councillor who arrives late to a meeting may fail to disclose their conflict of interest and be in breach of the Act.

Nil.

6. PRESENTATIONS / DEPUTATIONS

The Council has made provision in the business of the Ordinary Meetings of the Council for the making of presentations or deputations to Council in relation to matters presented on the agenda for Council consideration.

Presentations or deputations are required to be conducted in accordance with the requirements contained within the **Presentation/Deputations Protocols and Procedural Guidelines**.

Persons wishing to make a presentation or deputation to Council on a matter included in the agenda shall inform Council prior to the meeting by contacting the Chief Executive Officer's office and registering their name and agenda item being spoken to.

At the meeting the Mayor will invite the persons wishing to make a presentation or delegation to address the Council on the agenda item.

The person making the presentation or deputation is to stand and address Council on the item. No debate on the item is permitted between the person making the presentation or delegation and the Council.

A maximum of three minutes per presentation or delegation will be allocated. An extension of time may be granted at the discretion of the Mayor.

Councillors, through the Mayor, may ask the person making the presentation or delegation for clarification of matters presented.

The Mayor may direct that a member of the gallery ceases speaking if the above procedure is not followed.

List of Persons making Presentations/Deputations other than in relation to a planning item listed on the agenda:

Nil.

List of Persons making Presentations/Deputations to a planning item listed on the agenda:

Individuals seeking to make a presentation to the Council on a planning item listed on the agenda for consideration at the meeting will be heard by the Council immediately preceding consideration of the Council Officer's report on the planning item.

Nil.

7. BUSINESS

Cr. Keogh provided a preamble to the recommendation to item 7.1 - Consideration of the Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget

7.1 Consideration of the Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget

Introduction

Author: Steve Ivelja
CEO: Derek Madden

Background

This report relates to the commencement of the process for Council to adopt the 2019/20 Annual Budget, in accordance with Section 127 of the *Local Government Act 1989* (as amended).

The process includes giving public notice to allow 28 days for submissions to be made by members of the public and such submissions will be heard prior to Council adopting the 2019/20 Annual Budget.

In accordance with Section 127 of the *Local Government Act 1989* (the Act) and part 3 of the *Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014* (the Regulations), Council is required to commence the statutory process to adopt the Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget.

The proposed budget recognises the importance of setting a clear direction for the future, achieving measurable objectives, encouraging community input and consultation, and being financially responsible. It is part of a four-year Strategic Financial Plan that aims to secure a viable and sustainable path to achieve the Shire's objectives.

The budget proposal is for a 2.50% rate increase for 2019/20. The rate increase is to fund the Capital Improvement Program, New Initiatives, service growth and Council operations. The budget document appended to this report (**Attachment 7.1**) provides detailed information with regard to the major impacts for 2019/20. It also provides details with regard to Council's financial management principles to ensure a financially sustainable future.

Proposal

Key Influencing Trends

Revenue

The 2019/20 budget includes a 2.50% rate increase. For the 2019/20 financial year, Council resolved to not apply for a rate cap variation and has chosen to keep rate increases contained within the 2.50% rate cap as set down by the Minister for Local Government.

Expenditure

Total operating expenditure is budgeted to decrease by 1.08% or \$0.564 million as compared to the 2018/19 Forecast Actual. The major changes by expenditure category are shown below:

- Total employee costs are budgeted to increase by 10.42% as compared to the 2018/19 Forecast Actual. This is larger than expected mainly due to the impact of proposed New Initiatives. Also, the impact of EBA increments and banding movements. The increase is also distorted due to the 2018/19 Forecast Actual containing adjustments for vacancies.
- Expenditure on Materials and Consumables is budgeted to decrease by 15.62% as compared to the 2018/19 Forecast Actual. This is primarily due to the forecast for 2018/19 containing costs for the Blackwood Localised Septic Program and Flood/Storm Recovery. It can also be attributed to a focus on cost control of discretionary expenditure.
- Depreciation charges are budgeted to increase by 4.92% as compared to the 2018/19 Forecast Actual.
- Borrowing costs are predicted to increase by 6.65% as compared to the 2018/19 Forecast Actual which reflects \$10.736 million in new borrowings for 2019/20.

In addition to the planned delivery of recurrent services, the 2019/20 Annual Budget is proposing to fund a number of New Initiatives. Some of these being:

- LED Street Light Upgrade Program (\$0.828 million net cost)
- Community Strengthening and Capacity Building Program (\$0.060 million net cost)
- Annual masterplan delivery (\$0.050 million net cost)
- Wind Farm Noise Compliance Assessment (\$0.040 million net cost)
- Western Bulldogs Leadership Program- Full Program (\$0.015 million net cost)
- Bacchus Marsh Irrigation District Planning Study (\$0.025 million net cost)
- Senior Citizen Club Project (\$0.035 million net cost)
- Ballan Library - extended opening hours (\$0.017 million net cost)
- Marveloo on the move! (\$0.015 million net cost)
- Youth Strategy - Youth Mental Health Program (\$0.015 million net cost)
- Senior Citizen week celebrations and people living with disability (\$0.007 million net cost)
- Rural Land Use Strategy (\$0.080 million net cost)
- Industry Based Learning program (\$0.080 million net cost)
- Arts and Culture Officer (\$0.040 million net cost)
- Infill Contributions Plan (\$0.040 million net cost)
- Infringement Efficiency Improvements (\$0.030 million net cost)
- Local Area Traffic Management (LATM) Study Stage 3 (\$0.030 million net cost)
- Traffic Counts (\$0.039 million net cost)

In total, Council will invest \$2.061 million in new service initiatives across service areas. The investment in New Initiatives of \$2.061 million will be delivered whilst at the same time achieving minimal growth in overall expenditure, and ensuring a sustainable operating budget surplus.

Capital Projects

Council's Capital Works program maintains a mix between the need to maintain existing infrastructure and build new assets to meet community expectations. Included in the 2019/20 budget is \$26.858* million (includes \$4.779 million in estimated works carried forward from 2018/19) in funds set aside for the delivery of the Capital Improvement Program. Some of the projects proposed as part of the 2019/20 Capital Program include;

- Bacchus Marsh Racecourse Reserve Stage 1 (\$2.786 million)
- Sports Field Lighting Program (\$1.608 million)
- Old Melbourne Road, Dunnstown - Sealed Reconstruction (\$1.304 million)
- Werribee Vale Road, Maddingley - Sealed Reconstruction (\$1.300 million)
- Parwan Employment Precinct - Contribution to Gas Connection (\$1.000 million)
- Dunnstown-Yendon Road, Yendon - Sealed Reconstruction (\$0.998 million)

- Inglis Street Stage 3, Ballan - Sealed Pathway (\$0.750 million)
- Bacchus Marsh Indoor Recreation Facility - Preplanning (\$0.550 million)
- Ballan Depot - Construction Stage 1 (\$0.500 million)
- McCormacks Road/Griffiths Street, Maddingley - Roundabout (\$0.500 million)
- Paces Lane, Rowsley - Gravel Road Resheeting (\$0.383 million)
- Ballan-Greendale Road, Ballan - Sealed Reconstruction (\$0.350 million)
- Masons Lane - Western Pavilion Extension (\$0.350 million)
- Blackwood Street, Ballan - Sealed Reconstruction and Stabilisation (\$0.300million)
- Ballan Recreation Reserve Pavilion (\$0.300 million)
- Grey Street Stage 1, Darley - Replace Kerb & Channel (\$0.300 million)
- Duncan Street, Ballan - Replace Kerb & Channel (\$0.250 million)

*Not included in these figures is an election promise of \$1.4 million towards the Bacchus Marsh Racecourse and Recreation Reserve. Once confirmation of this grant has been received, the budget will be adjusted.

Parameters

The original budget parameters used in formulating the 2019/20 budget were a 2.50% rate increase, a projected CPI increase of 2.25%, and population growth within the Shire of 2.4%. Council has made significant savings in Operating budget expenses to accommodate the proposed 2.50% rate increase in the face of a difficult fiscal environment with major areas of Operating budget expenses increasing at a rate significantly lower than the original budget parameters.

Rates

Rates will increase by an average of 2.50% in the 2019/20 budget raising total rates and charges of \$36.170 million. This includes rates raised through supplementary valuations, and waste management charges.

The Waste Management Service Charge will reduce from \$87.00 to \$85.00* and the overall Waste Collection Charge will increase from \$176.00 to \$187.00. The State Landfill Levy will stay remain the same at \$36.00 and the optional Kerbside Green waste service will increase from \$71.00 to \$77.00 for 2019/20.

*there is a proposal being put forward to Council for the introduction of tip tokens being distributed to residents. If this proposal is approved, it has the potential to increase the Waste Management Service Charge somewhere between \$25 and \$35 per tenement. The Adopted Budget will be adjusted to reflect the outcome of Councils decision.

Loan Funding

The 2019/20 budget includes new borrowings of \$10.736 million which will be used to mainly fund the 2019/20 CIP Program. Of the \$10.736 million, \$4.214 million relates to loans budgeted for in the current financial year that are proposed to be carried forward to the 2019/20 year.

The 2019/20 budget also includes loan principle repayments of \$4.146 million.

Cash Management

Overall, total cash and investments of \$17.717 million are forecast as at 30 June 2020.

Policy Implications

The Council Plan 2017-2021 provides as follows:

Strategic Objective 1: Providing Good Governance and Leadership

Context 1C: Our Business and Systems

The proposal Consideration of the Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget is consistent with the Council Plan 2017 – 2021.

Financial Implications

The 2019/20 Budget contains details of the financial resources required to deliver the Council Plan.

Communications and Consultation Strategy

After Council has accepted the Proposed 2019/20 Budget, an advertisement will be placed in local newspapers. The process includes giving public notice to allow 28 days for submissions to be made by members of the public and such submissions will be heard prior to Council adopting the 2019/20 Annual Budget.

Copies of the Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget will be available for inspection on weekdays between 8.30am and 5.00pm from Tuesday 21 May, 2019 up to and including Tuesday 18 June, 2019 at Council offices at:

- 15 Stead Street, Ballan;
- 215 Main Street, Bacchus Marsh; and
- 182 Halletts Way, Darley

Copies of the Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget can also be viewed on Council's website: www.moorabool.vic.gov.au

Residents are invited to make submissions in relation to the Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget until 5.00pm on Tuesday 18 June, 2019.

Feedback should be made in writing and be addressed to:

The Chief Executive Officer
Budget Submission
Moorabool Shire Council
PO Box 18
Ballan VIC 3342

Alternatively, submissions can be emailed to info@moorabool.vic.gov.au or submitted online at haveyoursaymoorabool.com.au

Any person requesting that he or she be heard in support of a submission is entitled to appear before the Special Meeting of Council either personally or by a person acting on his or her behalf. Any person who wishes to be heard in support of a submission should indicate this request in their written submission. A special meeting to hear submissions is scheduled to occur on Wednesday 26 June, 2019 at 6.00pm, at the Council Chambers, Ballan.

Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006

In developing this report to Council, the officer considered whether the subject matter raised any human rights issues. In particular, whether the scope of any human right established by the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities is in any way limited, restricted or interfered with by the recommendations contained in the report. It is considered that the subject matter does not raise any human rights issues.

Officer's Declaration of Conflict of Interests

Under section 80C of the *Local Government Act 1989* (as amended), officers providing advice to Council must disclose any interests, including the type of interest.

Chief Executive Officer – Derek Madden

In providing this advice to Council as the CEO, I have no interests to disclose in this report.

Author – Steve Ivelja

In providing this advice to Council as the Author, I have no interests to disclose in this report.

Conclusion

The proposed budget presents Council's immediate and longer-term financial strategy and links the actions set out in the Council Plan. It also identifies the capital works and services the community can expect from Council during the 2019/20 financial year and beyond.

Resolution:

Crs. Dudzik/Keogh

1.1 That having considered the details of the 2019/20 recurrent and capital budget appended to this report, which includes:

1.1.1 – Link to the Council Plan

1.1.2 – Services and Service Performance Indicators

1.1.3 – Financial Statements

1.1.4 – Notes to the Financial Statements

1.1.5 – Financial Performance Indicators

1.1.6 – Appendix A – Fees and Charges Schedule

that the proposed operating and capital budget 2019/20 be the budget prepared for the purposes of section 127 of the Local Government Act 1989.

1.2 That in accordance Part 3 of the Regulations, Council declares its intention to borrow \$10.736 million. Loan redemption for 2019/20 will be \$4.146m.

1.3 General Rates

1.3.1 That in accordance with Section 158 of the Local Government Act 1989, Council declares a General Rate for the rating period commencing 1 July 2019 and ending 30 June 2020.

1.3.2 It be further declared that the general rate be raised by the application of differential rates.

1.3.3 A differential rate be respectively declared for rateable land having the respective characteristics specified in the Schedule to this resolution, which characteristics will form the criteria for each differential rate so declared:

Category	Cents/\$CIV
Commercial & Industrial Rate	0.005307
Commercial & Industrial Vacant Land	0.007876
Extractive Industry Rate	0.010683
Farm Rate	0.002671
General Rate	0.003424
Vacant Land General	0.007191
Vacant Land FZ and RCZ	0.003424
Vacant Land GRZ	0.007876
Residential Retirement Villages	0.003082

1.3.4 Each differential rate will be determined by multiplying the Capital Improved Value (CIV) of each rateable land (categorised by the characteristics described in the Schedule to this Resolution) by the relevant percentages.

1.3.5 It be recorded that Council considers that each differential rate will contribute to the equitable and efficient carrying out of Council functions, and that:

1.3.5.1 the respective objectives of each differential rate be those specified in the Schedule to this Resolution; and

1.3.5.2 the respective types or classes of land which are subject to each differential rate be those defined in the Schedule to this Resolution; and

1.3.5.3 the respective uses and levels of each differential rate in relation to those respective types or classes of land be those described in the Schedule to this Resolution; and

1.3.5.4 the relevant
(a) uses of;
(b) geographical locations of; and
(c) Planning Scheme zonings of; and
(d) types of buildings on the respective types or classes of land be those identified in the Schedule to this Resolution.

1.4. Municipal Charge

1.4.1 It be confirmed that no municipal charge is declared in respect of the 2019/20 Financial Year.

1.5. Annual Service Charge

1.5.1 An annual service charge be declared in respect of the 2019/20 Financial Year.

1.5.1.1 The annual service charge be declared in respect of the period 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020.

1.5.1.2 The annual service charge be declared for the collection and disposal and management of refuse from land.

1.5.1.3 The annual service charge be in the sum of, and be based on the criteria, set out below:

- (i) \$187 per annum for each property that is within the defined urban service area to which a domestic waste collection service is available;**
- (ii) \$187 per annum for each property that is within the defined rural service area to which a domestic waste collection service is available;**
- (iii) \$187 per annum for each property that is not within a defined service area, to which a domestic waste collection service is provided;**
- (iv) \$85 per annum for all rateable properties in all Wards including:**
 - (a) each rateable land that is "farm land" within the meaning of section 2(1) of the Valuation of Land Act 1960 and is a 'single farm enterprise' within the meaning of Section 159(8) of the Local Government Act 1989; and**
 - (b) each other rateable land, from which there is capable of being generated waste which can be deposited by a ratepayer or resident at a landfill or waste transfer station or any other litter facility.**
- (v) \$36 per annum for all rateable properties in all Wards including:**
 - (a) each rateable land that is "farm land" within the meaning of section 2(1) of the Valuation of Land Act 1960 and is a 'single farm enterprise' within the meaning of Section 159(8) of the Local Government Act 1989; and**
 - (b) each other rateable land, from which there is capable of being generated waste which can be deposited by a ratepayer or resident at a landfill or waste transfer station or any other litter facility.**
- (vi) \$77 per annum non-compulsory and optional charge within the urban (residential and low density residential) areas of Bacchus Marsh and Ballan for kerbside greenwaste collection service.**

The defined service areas outlined above, and the designated routes are defined on a plan, which can be viewed at the Council offices.

1.6. Rebates & Concessions

1.6.1 It be recorded that Council grants to each owner of rateable land who is an "eligible recipient" within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 1986, a rebate of an amount determined by the Department of Human Services in respect of their principal place of residence. The criteria for "eligible recipient" is also determined by the Department of Human Services.

1.7. Payment

1.7.1 All rates and charges to be paid in four instalments, in accordance with Section 167 (1) and (2) of the Local Government Act 1989.

1.7.2 Unless Council resolves otherwise, a person may only pay rates and charges as a lump sum if payment is made on or before 15 February 2020.

1.8. Consequential

1.8.1 It be confirmed that, subject to sections 171 and 172 of the Local Government Act 1989, Council will require a person to pay interest on any rates and charges which:

1.8.1.1 that person is liable to pay;

1.8.1.2 have not been paid by the date specified for their payment.

1.9 That it is proposed that an amount of \$36,170,000 be declared as the amount Council intends to raise from the general rates and charges (including Supplementary and Special Rates) for the period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020.

1.10 That in accordance with Section 158 of the Act and Regulation 8 of the Regulations, detailed information concerning General Rates and Special Rates and charges is appended to this report.

1.11 That as part of the public presentation process for the proposed budget, the following actions will be undertaken in accordance with:

1.11.1 Sections 127 and 129 of the Act and Part 3 of the Regulations – that the proposed 2019/20 budget be made available for public inspection.

1.11.2 Section 129 of the Act and Part 3 of the Regulations – that the Chief Executive officer be authorised to give public notice that the Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget has been prepared and is available for public inspection.

1.11.3 Sections 158 to 162 of the Act and Part 3 of the Regulations - that Council give public notice and have ready for public inspection all prescribed information to be available from 21 May until 18 June 2019.

1.12 That Council resolves to allow 28 days for submissions to be made by members of the public and that all submissions are to be made in the prescribed manner. Council will hear submissions on Wednesday 26 June 2019 at the Special Meeting of Council, at 6pm, in the Council Chamber, Ballan.

1.13 That in accordance with Section 130 of the Act, Council resolves to notify and place on public notice its intention to adopt the 2019/20 Annual Budget on Wednesday 3 July 2019 at the Ordinary Meeting of Council, at 6pm, in the Council Chamber, Ballan.

SCHEDULE

Differential Rating Categories

General Land

Definition:

General Land is any land:

- **on which a dwelling is lawfully erected and occupied for the principal purpose of physically accommodating persons; and**
- **which does not have the characteristics of:**
 - **Commercial and Industrial Land;**
 - **Vacant Commercial and Industrial Land;**
 - **Extractive Industry Land;**
 - **Farm Land;**
 - **Residential Retirement Villages Land;**
 - **Vacant General Land;**
 - **Vacant Farming Zone or Rural Conservation Zone; and**
 - **General Residential Zone Land within the Moorabool Planning Scheme.**

Objective:

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the –

- 1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and**
- 2. Development and provision of health and community services; and**
- 3. Provision of general support services.**

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

The differential rate will be used to fund those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council. The level of the differential rate is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Geographic Location:

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land:

Any use permitted under the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning:

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings:

All buildings which are lawfully erected on the land.

Residential Retirement Villages

Definition:

Residential Retirement Land is any land within the meaning of ‘retirement village land’ under section 3 of the Retirement Villages Act 1986.

Objective:

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the –

- 1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and**
- 2. Development and provision of health and community services; and**
- 3. Provision of general support services.**

To ensure that the Residential Retirement Land rate is lower than the General Land rate in recognition of the services and infrastructure undertaken by the retirement village sector.

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

The level of the differential rate is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Geographic Location:

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land:

Any use permitted under the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning:

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings:

All buildings which are now constructed on the land or which are constructed prior to the end of the Financial Year.

Commercial/Industrial Land**Definition:**

Commercial/Industrial Land is any land which is lawfully used:

- **for the principal purpose of carrying out the manufacturing or productions of goods;**
- or**
- **for the principal purpose of carrying out trade in goods or services.**

Objective:

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the –

- 1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and**
- 2. Development and provision of health and community services; and**
- 3. Provision of general support services.**

To ensure that such rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, having regard to the capacity of such land to be used to yield income and the demands such land make on Council's infrastructure. The differential rate also recognises that Council rates and charges may be claimed as a tax deduction.

Types and Classes:

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described in the above definition.

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

The level of the differential rate is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Geographic Location:

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land:

Any use permitted under the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning:

The zoning applicable to rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings:

All buildings which are lawfully erected on the land.

Vacant Commercial/Industrial Land

Definition:

Vacant Commercial/Industrial land is any land:

- **located within an Industrial or Business zone under the Moorabool Planning scheme; and**
- **which is vacant; or**
- **not lawfully developed for the principal purpose of carrying out the manufacturing or production of goods or trade in goods or services; and**
- **which does not have the characteristics of Vacant General Land, Vacant Farming Zone or Rural Conservation Zone Land or General Residential Zone Land.**

Objective:

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the –

- 1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and**
- 2. Development and provision of health and community services; and**
- 3. Provision of general support services.**

To encourage the development of land for commercial and industrial purposes.

To discourage land banking and ensure an adequate supply of Commercial and Industrial zoned land to meet market demand.

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

The level of the differential rate is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Geographic Location:

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land:

Any use permitted under the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning:

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings:

Any buildings that are not lawfully erected on the land.

Extractive Industry Land

Definition:

Extractive Industry Land is any land:

- ***which is used primarily for the purpose of extraction, removal or treatment of minerals, earth or stone; or***
- ***on which activities of the extraction, removal or treatment of minerals, earth or stone has been discontinued but which has not yet been rehabilitated to environmental standards as required by law.***

Objective:

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the –

- 1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and***
- 2. Development and provision of health and community services; and***
- 3. Provision of general support services.***

To ensure that such rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, having regard to the capacity of such land to be used to yield income and the demands such land make on Council's infrastructure. The differential rate also recognises that Council rates and charges may be claimed as a tax deduction.

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

The level of the differential rate is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Geographic Location:

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land:

Any use permitted under the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning:

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings:

All buildings which are now constructed on the land or which are constructed prior to the end of the Financial Year.

Farm Land

Definition:

Farm Land is any rateable land within the meaning of 'farm land' as defined by section 2(1) of the Valuation of Land Act 1960.

Objective:

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the –

- 1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and***
- 2. Development and provision of health and community services; and***
- 3. Provision of general support services.***

To provide economic support and relief to farmers.

To encourage further development and appropriate use of Farm Land, as defined under the Valuation of Land Act 1960.

To encourage persons engaged in farming activities (as referred to in the definition of 'farm land' in the Act) to further develop farm land and value-add to their products in the local community to create more employment opportunities in the industry.

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

The level of the differential rate is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Geographic Location:

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land:

Any use permitted under the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning:

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings:

All buildings which are now constructed on the land or which are constructed prior to the end of the Financial Year.

Vacant General Land**Definition:**

Vacant General Land is any land;

- ***on which no building is lawfully erected; and***
- ***which does not have the characteristics of:***
 - ***Vacant Commercial/Industrial Land; or***
 - ***Vacant Farming Zone, Rural Conservation Zone; or***
 - ***Vacant General Residential Zone Land in the Moorabool Planning Scheme.***

Objective:

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the –

- 1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and***
- 2. Development and provision of health and community services; and***
- 3. Provision of general support services.***

To encourage development of Vacant General Land.

To discourage land banking and ensure an adequate supply of appropriately zoned land to meet market demand.

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

The level of the differential rate is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Geographic Location:

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land:

Any use permitted under the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning:

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings:

Any buildings that are not lawfully erected on the land.

Vacant Farming Zone or Rural Conservation Zone Land**Definition:**

Vacant Farming Zone or Rural Conservation Zone land within the Moorabool Planning Scheme is any land;

- on which no building is lawfully erected; and***
- which is located within the Farm Zone or Rural Conservation Zone under the Moorabool Planning Scheme; and***
- which does not have the characteristics of Farm Land.***

Objective:

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the –

- 1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and***
- 2. Development and provision of health and community services; and***
- 3. Provision of general support services.***

Specifically, the objective of the vacant Farming Zone or Rural Conservation Zone rate category is to recognize the lower likelihood of development on this type of land as a result of planning and development restrictions or other encumbrances which limit the development opportunities and use of the land.

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

The level of the differential rate is set at 1.00 and is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Geographic Location:

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land:

Any use permitted under the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning:

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings:

Any buildings that are not lawfully erected on the land.

Vacant General Residential Zone Land**Definition:**

Vacant General Residential Zone Land is any land:

- *on which no dwelling is lawfully erected; and*
- *which is located within the General Residential Zone under the Moorabool Planning Scheme.*

Objective:

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the –

- 1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and***
- 2. Development and provision of health and community services; and***
- 3. Provision of general support services.***

To encourage the development of land for residential purposes.

To discourage land banking, and ensure an adequate supply of residential zoned land to meet the market demand.

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

The level of the differential rate is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Geographic Location:

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land:

Any use permitted under the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning:

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the Moorabool Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings:

Any buildings that are not lawfully erected on the land.

CARRIED.

Report Authorisation

Authorised by:



Name:

Derek Madden

Title:

Chief Executive Officer

Date:

Thursday 09 May 2019

7.2 Draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision)

File No.: 02/02/002
Author: Danny Colgan
Chief Executive Officer: Derek Madden

The purpose of the report is to present the draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) and to recommend that the Council place the document on public exhibition inviting public inspection and submissions for consideration.

Background

A review of the 2017-2021 Council Plan has been conducted which has resulted in adjustments to the document. In accordance with Section 125 of the *Local Government Act 1989* (the Act), Council must consider whether the Council Plan requires any adjustment and if there are adjustments, Council must seek public submissions under Section 223 of the Act.

The draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) has been reviewed by Councillors and officers and adjustments have been made to confirm actions for the next financial year which will support the objectives and strategies contained within the Council Plan.

The reviewed draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) is shown in **Attachment 7.2**.

Strategic Resource Plan

Council must also develop a Strategic Resource Plan as per Part 6 Section 126 of the Act. The Strategic Resource Plan details the resources required to achieve the objectives and strategies outlined in the 2017-2021 Council Plan. It includes the following information for the next 2 financial years:

- the standard statements describing the required financial resources in the form and containing the information required by the regulations; and
- statements describing the required non-financial resources, including human resources.

The Strategic Resource Plan for each financial year is subject to final determination as part of Council's Annual Budget process. The Comprehensive Income Statement, Balance Sheet, Cash Flow Statement and Statement of Capital Works in the Council Plan will require updating to align with the draft Budget once it is reviewed by Council.

Proposal

That Council, in accordance with section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, places the draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) on exhibition, inviting public submissions during the prescribed period of no less than 28 days as required under the Act.

Policy Implications

The Council Plan 2017-2021 provides as follows:

Strategic Objective 1: Providing Good Governance and Leadership

Context 1B: Our People

The proposal to review the draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) is consistent with the Council Plan 2017-2021.

Financial Implications

In accordance with Section 126 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, Council has prepared a draft 2017-2021 Strategic Resource Plan that details the resources required to achieve the 4 strategic objectives outlined in the draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) being:

1. Providing Good Governance and Leadership
2. Minimising Environmental Impact
3. Stimulating Economic Development
4. Improving Social Outcomes

The Strategic Resource Plan includes the standard statements describing the required financial resources in the form and containing the information mandated by the regulations from 1 July 2017 and concluding 30 June 2021.

The standard statements section of the Strategic Resource Plan shows the:

- Comprehensive Income Statement
- Balance Sheet
- Cash Flow Statement; and
- Capital Works

The draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) to be placed on exhibition will be updated to reflect the Council's resolution in relation to the 2019/20 Annual Budget.

Over the 4 year life of the 2017-2021 Council Plan, the Strategic Resource Plan will be updated as part of Council's Annual Budget Process.

Risk & Occupational Health & Safety Issues

There are no risk or occupational health and safety issues identified in relation to this report.

Communications and Consultation Strategy

Under section 125(3) of the *Local Government Act 1989*, a person has a right to make a submission under section 223 on the proposed draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision).

A communications plan has been developed to advise the community via Council's website, media release, social media, Council's community consultation website: haveyoursay.com.au and with hard copies available at all Council offices.

Advertisements are being placed in regional and local papers and members of the community will have no less than 28 days to make a submission.

In preparing the draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision), Councillors and Council staff were afforded the opportunity to provide their input and comments.

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1989*, the draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) and Strategic Resource Plan will progress through the following consultation and adoption process:

Timetable for the consultation and adoption of the 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) inclusive of the Strategic Resource Plan	
SMC - Draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) presented to Council	Wednesday 15 May
Advertise draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision), inviting public inspection and submissions according to Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989, in both regional and local newspapers. Moorabool News – Tuesday 21 May 2019 Ballarat Courier – Saturday 25 May 2019	Advertising cut-off Thursday 16 May
Have your Say Moorabool website update.	From Friday 17 May to Tuesday 18 June
Statutory advertisement period ends (allows for no less than a 28-day consultation period).	Tuesday 18 June
SMC - Consideration of Submissions on draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision)	Wednesday 26 June
OMC - Adoption 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision)	Wednesday 3 July
Checklist Post-Adoption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notice of Adoption of Council Plan Ballarat Courier – Saturday 6 July Moorabool News – Tuesday 9 July • Copies for Public Inspection at Council Offices • Submit Council Plan 2017-2021 (2019 Revision) to Minister for Local Government 	Monday 8 July Friday 5 July

Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006

In developing this report to Council, the officer considered whether the subject matter raised any human rights issues. In particular, whether the scope of any human right established by the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities is in any way limited, restricted or interfered with by the recommendations contained in the report. It is considered that the subject matter does not raise any human rights issues.

Officer's Declaration of Conflict of Interests

Under section 80C of the *Local Government Act 1989* (as amended), officers providing advice to Council must disclose any interests, including the type of interest.

Chief Executive Officer – Derek Madden

In providing this advice to Council as the Chief Executive Officer, I have no interests to disclose in this report.

Author – Danny Colgan

In providing this advice to Council as the Author, I have no interests to disclose in this report.

Conclusion

The draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) and Strategic Resource Plan is presented for Council's consideration, in accordance with section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, to place on public exhibition inviting public submissions during the prescribed period of no less than 28 days as required under the Act.

Resolution:

Crs. Dudzik/Keogh

1. ***That, having considered the details of the draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) attached to this report, Council, in accordance with the requirements of Part 6 Section 125 and 126 of Local Government Act 1989:***
 - 1.1 ***authorises the Chief Executive officer to give public notice that the draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) has been prepared and is available for public inspection; and***
 - 1.2 ***gives public notice and have ready for public inspection all prescribed information to be available from 21 May 2019 until 18 June 2019.***
2. ***That Council resolves to allow no less than 28 days for submissions to be made by members of the public and that all submissions are to be made in the prescribed manner. Council will hear submissions on Wednesday 26 June 2019 at a Special Meeting of Council to be held in the Council Chamber, 15 Stead Street, Ballan commencing at 6.00 pm.***
3. ***That in accordance with Section 125 of the Local Government Act 1989, Council resolves to notify and place on public notice its intention to adopt the Council Plan 2017-2021 (2019 Review) on Wednesday 3 July 2019 at the Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held in the Council Chamber, 15 Stead Street, Ballan commencing at 6.00 pm.***

CARRIED.

Report Authorisation

Authorised by: 

Name: Derek Madden
Title: Chief Executive Officer
Date: Tuesday 07 May 2019

7.3 Victorian Government Country Football Netball program 2019-20

Author: Ian Waugh
General Manager: Danny Colgan

Introduction

The purpose of the report is to advise Council of the outcomes of the Expression of Interest (EOI) process completed for the Victorian Government 2019-20 Country Football Netball Program (CFNP) and endorse the grant application for the Wallace Recreation Reserve Oval Irrigation project.

Background

The CFNP is a Victorian Government funding program delivered in partnership with the AFL, AFL Victoria and Netball Victoria which provides funding to assist grassroots country football and netball clubs, associations and umpiring organisations to develop facilities in rural, regional and outer metropolitan locations.

Grants of up to a total **maximum of \$100,000** (excluding GST) are available for projects that improve facilities, including new or redeveloped change rooms, installation of improved turf, drainage and irrigation, new or upgraded netball courts or installation of sports lighting for courts or ovals. This can comprise of **one large project seeking \$100,000 or up to three smaller projects across different sites**.

Only local Councils are able to submit applications, and the Moorabool Shire has a required funding ratio of Sport and Recreation Victoria (SRV) \$2:\$1 local. The 'local' funding can comprise of both Council and club cash and in-kind contributions. Funding models are encouraged that demonstrate stakeholder commitment to the project.

All of the country football and netball clubs within the municipality were given the opportunity to register their interest via an expression of interest (EOI) process. Correspondence was circulated to all Football Netball Clubs in the Shire notifying them of the program and requesting EOIs to be submitted.

Two Expressions of Interest were received from Moorabool clubs – Dunnstown Recreation Reserve Committee and Darley Football Netball Club. Officers have reviewed the two (2) submissions and recommend that neither project proposal proceed to the final application stage for submission to SRV in this round of funding. The EOIs were reviewed by Council's officers and evaluated considering the following criteria:

- Alignment with CFNP guidelines
- Alignment with Council advocacy projects list
- Alignment with Council strategic documents including master plans and the Recreation & Leisure Strategy 2015-2021
- Alignment with regional football and netball plans
- Project scope, design and costing development and clarity
- Compliance with relevant sporting codes and standards
- Project shovel readiness
- Financial contributions and risk for Council
- Financial contributions from clubs
- Compliance with funding ratio requirements

Proposal

It is proposed that the Council does not submit an application for the following projects in this round of funding and Council officers continue to work with the clubs to further develop the project proposals for future funding consideration:

Dunnstown Community Centre Unisex Change Rooms Upgrade

This project proposal was submitted under the previous round of the Victorian Government's Female Friendly Facilities Fund (FFFF); however, the application was unsuccessful in progressing past the Expression of Interest stage following assessment from Council officers and feedback from Sport and Recreation Victoria (SRV) that further demonstration of female participation and planning was required as well as further development on the pavilion plans and costings.

The Dunnstown Recreation Reserve Committee of Management and user groups had previously developed preliminary concept plans and basic cost estimates for redevelopment of the pavilion. These plans include components such as a meeting room, storage room, entry space, toilets and kitchen facilities based around the social space in the pavilion, however these components are beyond the scope of the CFNP guidelines. The redevelopment of the player and umpires change rooms and amenities identified in the plans would be the focus of the CFNP EOI application and act as a 'Stage 1' of the pavilion development.

To address and demonstrate the female participation outcomes desired by Sport & Recreation Victoria (SRV), the Dunnstown Recreation Reserve Committee of Management, Dunnstown Football Club, Dunnstown Netball Club, Dunnstown Tennis Club and Dunnstown Cricket Club are partnering with the Moorabool Shire in the 'Girls in Sport' project which aims to identify barriers to participation and develop an action plan to address these barriers moving forward, as well as participation in the This Girl Can and Premier's Active April campaigns.

Scope: Upgrade of the existing player and umpire change rooms and amenities to be unisex facilities to support both male and female participation at the reserve

Proposed Funding Model:	Proposed <u>Project Budget:</u>	<u>\$200,000</u>
	Dunnstown user groups	\$50,000 cash contribution
	Moorabool Shire	\$50,000 from CIP
	Required grant funding	\$100,000

Since the submission of the EOI the user groups have engaged qualified consultants to refine the pavilion plans and develop an associated cost plan from a quantity surveyor. This cost plan was intended to confirm project cost estimates against the proposed project budget.

The cost plan for the proposed pavilion redevelopment has outlined an estimated 'Stage 1' cost relating to the CFNP EOI of \$299,811 ex GST which is beyond the proposed project budget of \$200,000.

Whilst this project meets the CFNP funding ratio and is considered the most shovel ready of the EOI's received, the maximum dollar amounts available through the CFNP (\$100,000) and the user groups financial contributions (\$50,000), it would leave a funding shortfall of \$99,811 based on the indicative Council contribution of \$50,000 in the draft Council budget.

Funding Status:	<u>Project Cost Estimate</u>	<u>\$299,811</u>
	Dunnstown user groups	\$50,000
	CFNP Grant	\$100,000 (if application successful)
	Moorabool Shire	\$50,000 (draft 2019-20 CIP budget)
	Funding Shortfall	\$ 99,811

As such, it is recommended that Council officers, in partnership with the Dunnstown user groups, work to identify future SRV funding program opportunities which offer greater State Government funding contribution opportunities to help meet the indicative project funding shortfall.

Darley Park Community Courts Upgrade

Scope: Re-surfacing, line marking and new netball rings for the disused courts area at Darley Park

Proposed Funding Model:	<u>Proposed Project Budget:</u>	<u>\$135,000</u>
	Darley FNC	\$0
	Moorabool Shire	\$35,000
	Required grant funding	\$100,000

Officers will undertake further project development work with the club. This will primarily focus on clarification of scope of works, development of more detailed and compliant designs (e.g. courts plans) as required in the CFNP guidelines, obtaining quotes which match the proposed project budget, confirmation of the required funding ratios and the associated Club/Council contributions to enable the unsuccessful project to be in a 'shovel ready' position when future funding programs are announced.

Should an alternate SRV funding program become available which would allow more significant investment into the Dunnstown project, or when the Darley Park court project scope and costings are further refined, a financial contribution from Council may then be recommended as part of the funding models to deliver these community projects in the future.

Based on the above information, no funding submission would be made to the Victorian Government 2019-20 Country Football Netball Program (CFNP) for either of the project proposals received through the EOI process. The two clubs who submitted an EOI would need to be informed of this outcome.

However, following this process the Wallace Recreation Reserve Oval Irrigation project was identified as an alternate project which may be suitable to be submitted for funding under this round of the CFNP. This project is listed on Council's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) project list and Priority Projects and Advocacy list to be delivered. Oval irrigation plans and cost estimates, as well as liaison with relevant stakeholders will need to be completed prior to the CFNP submission deadline of 3 June 2019.

Subject to oval irrigation plans and cost estimates being completed, the proposed Council contribution from the 2019-20 Council budget would be \$50,000 with a funding request of \$100,000 from the 2019-20 CFNP.

Proposed Funding Model:	<u>Proposed Project Budget</u>	<u>\$150,000</u>
	Springbank FNC	\$0
	CFNP Grant	\$100,000 (if application successful)
	Moorabool Shire	\$50,000 (draft 2019-20 CIP)

Expression of Interest Evaluation

The following table summarises the assessment process undertaken by Officers to determine which applications were considered suitable to progress to the submission stage. MSC received expressions of interest from two Moorabool clubs and evaluated their submissions using the following evaluation matrix.

Evaluation Criteria	Club	Dunnstown Football Club	Darley Football Netball Club
	Reserve	Dunnstown Recreation Reserve	Darley Park
	Project	Dunnstown Community Centre Unisex Change Rooms Upgrade	Darley Park Community Courts Upgrade
Funding Ratio Compliant		Yes	No
Costing Estimates		Since submission of the EOI, further pavilion plans, and an associated cost plan have been completed which indicates a cost estimate of \$411,873 (ex GST) for the project. This amount is significantly more than the proposed project budget.	Quote for \$50,000 (ex GST) was submitted for asphaltting of the existing disused courts area. Quote does not match the proposed project budget of \$135,000 and lacks details required for a funding application. Funding ratio as per the CFNP guidelines was also not met.
Alignment with CFNP Guidelines		Yes	Yes
Present in Council Advocacy Projects List		No	No
Shovel Ready		High	Low
General Comments		User groups have been working in partnership with Council to address the feedback received from the previous EOI submitted for the project. Given the subsequent cost plan completed, the project should be deferred to a future funding program. This will be communicated with the community and a subsequent review of the project funding model to be addressed.	It is proposed that a qualified courts contractor conducts a site assessment and provides a proposal including a full scope of works, courts concept plan and associated cost estimates to inform future funding applications for the club.
Supports participation outcomes		Yes	Yes
Overall Assessment Ranking		Not recommended	Not recommended

Policy Implications

The 2017– 2021 Council Plan provides as follows:

Strategic Objective 4 Improving social outcomes

Context 4A Health and wellbeing

The Expression of Interest process completed, and proposal to submit an application for potential funding under the Victorian Government Country Football Netball Program is consistent with the 2017-2021 Council Plan.

Financial Implications

The CFNP funding program has been discussed by the Capital Improvement Program Control Group and the proposed Council contribution to the project cost has been incorporated into the draft proposed CIP for 2019/20.

The proposed council contribution requested towards the project dependant on the outcome of the application is as follows:

Wallace Recreation Reserve Oval Irrigation – a \$50,000 contribution has been included in the draft Capital Improvement Program for the 2019/20 Council budget.

The Council contribution, and submission of the CFNP full application, is also subject to the completion of the oval irrigation plan and cost estimate being in alignment with, or below, the proposed project budget of \$150,000.

Should an alternate SRV funding program become available which would allow more significant investment into the Dunnstown project, or when the Darley Park court project scope and costings are further refined, a financial contribution from Council may then be recommended as part of the funding models to deliver these community projects in the future.

Risk & Occupational Health & Safety Issues

Risk Identifier	Detail of Risk	Risk Rating	Control/s
Community Needs	Current community needs for additional capacity at facilities for both males and females will not be met if facility improvements are not made	Medium	Strategic planning to ensure that priority projects are identified and included in Council's strategic financial planning and capital improvement program to allow opportunities for leveraging of funds
Financial	Funding required to deliver identified improvements to the facilities	Medium	Planning completed to ensure that projects are identified within Council's strategic financial plans and external grant funding and club contribution can be added to the project funding models.

Communications and Consultation Strategy

The outcomes of this report will be communicated to all clubs who submitted expressions of interest.

Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006

In developing this report to Council, the officer considered whether the subject matter raised any human rights issues. In particular, whether the scope of any human right established by the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities is in any way limited restricted or interfered with by the recommendations contained in the report. It is considered that the subject matter does not raise any human rights issues.

Officer's Declaration of Conflict of Interests

Under section 80C of the Local Government Act 1989 (as amended), officers providing advice to Council must disclose any interests, including the type of interest.

General Manager – Danny Colgan

In providing this advice to Council as the General Manager, I have no interests to disclose in this report.

Author – Ian Waugh

In providing this advice to Council as the Author, I have no interests to disclose in this report.

Conclusion

It is recommended that the Wallace Recreation Reserve Oval Irrigation project progresses to full application and is submitted for funding under the Victorian Government's 2019-20 Country Football Netball Program (CFNP) with an indicative Council contribution of \$50,000 from the 2019-20 budget.

It is recommended that neither of the project proposals from Dunnstown Recreation Reserve and Darley Park submitted via the Expression of Interest (EOI) process for the 2019-20 Country Football Netball Program (CFNP) progress to full application.

The Dunnstown project requires further funding either from Council or an alternate funding program through SRV to address the funding shortfall identified following the completion of the formal project cost plan. The Darley Park project proposal requires further development including the scoping, costing and a funding model to meet the SRV funding ratio requirements.

It is proposed that Council officers continue to work with these clubs to further develop the project proposals and to identify future funding offered through SRV which may be appropriate for funding based on the scope and cost of each project.

Resolution:**Crs. Dudzik/Bingham**

That Council, subject to allocation of Council's contribution in the 2019/2020 budget, and subject to alignment of the project cost estimate with the proposed project budget, endorses the submission of the following project for funding under the State Government Country Football Netball Program 2019-20:

- ***Wallace Recreation Reserve Oval Irrigation (\$50,000 Council contribution towards project).***

CARRIED.

Report Authorisation**Authorised by:****Name:**

Danny Colgan

Title:

General Manager Community Development

Date:

Wednesday 8 May 2019

8. FURTHER BUSINESS AS ADMITTED BY UNANIMOUS RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL

Nil.

9. CLOSED SESSION OF THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Nil.

10. MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 6.14pm.

Confirmed.....Mayor.