



PARKS, RECREATION AND SPORT COMMITTEE MEETING

AGENDA

25 SEPTEMBER 2019

Your attendance is required at a meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Sport Committee to be held in the Council Chambers, 232 Bolsover Street, Rockhampton on 25 September 2019 commencing at 12.30pm for transaction of the enclosed business.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
17 September 2019

Next Meeting Date: 30.10.19

Please note:

In accordance with the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, please be advised that all discussion held during the meeting is recorded for the purpose of verifying the minutes. This will include any discussion involving a Councillor, staff member or a member of the public.

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1 OPENING

2 PRESENT

Members Present:

Councillor C R Rutherford (Chairperson)
The Mayor, Councillor M F Strelow
Councillor R A Swadling
Councillor N K Fisher
Councillor M D Wickerson

In Attendance:

Ms C Worthy – General Manager Community Services (Executive Officer)
Mr E Pardon – Chief Executive Officer

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Councillor Ellen Smith - Leave of Absence from 23 September 2019 to 26 September 2019

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Sport Committee held 28 August 2019

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

6 BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Nil

7 PUBLIC FORUMS/DEPUTATIONS

Nil

8 OFFICERS' REPORTS

8.1 PROJECT DELIVERY MONTHLY REPORT - AUGUST 2019

File No: 7028

Attachments: 1. Project Delivery Monthly Report - August 2019 [↓](#)

Authorising Officer: Peter Kofod - General Manager Regional Services

Author: Andrew Collins - Manager Project Delivery

SUMMARY

Monthly reports on the projects currently managed by Project Delivery.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Project Delivery Monthly Report for August 2019 be received.

COMMENTARY

The project delivery section submits a monthly project report outlining the status of the capital projects. The following projects have a one page capital monthly report outlining progress against time and budget.

- A. 2nd World War Memorial Aquatic Centre - Shade Structure
- B. 42nd Battalion Memorial Pool - Perimeter Fence
- C. Botanic Gardens Pathways (W4Q)
- D. Cedric Archer Park 'Touch of Paradise' Landscaping
- E. Fraser Park Amenities
- F. Rockhampton Cricket Lighting Project
- G. Hugo Lassen Fernery
- H. Kershaw Gardens – Waterfall
- I. Mount Morgan Walking and Bike Trail (W4Q)
- J. Pump Track Gracemere (W4Q)
- K. Yeppen Roundabout

PROJECT DELIVERY MONTHLY REPORT - AUGUST 2019

Project Delivery Monthly Report - August 2019

Meeting Date: 25 September 2019

Attachment No: 1

PROJECT DELIVERY – MONTHLY REPORT

Reporting Month	August 19
Project	A. 2nd World War Memorial Aquatic Centre - Shade Structure
Project Number	1126039
Project Manager	Thomas Olsen
Council Committee	Parks, Recreation and Sport

PROJECT SCOPE

Create shade cover over the existing 25m pool.

PROJECT MILESTONES

ITEM	TARGET COMMENCEMENT DATE	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	COMMENTARY
Project Planning	October 18		
Design Development	January 19		
Procurement	February 19	March 19	Tenders have closed
Construction	April 20	July 20	Awaiting Budget approval

FINANCIAL PROFILE

Insufficient budget available to complete works based on Tenders received.

	Project Life				Current Year			
	Total Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget	Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget
Expenditure	\$50,000	\$7,915	\$0	\$42,085	\$43,126	\$1,041	\$0	\$42,085
External Funding	Nil							

PROJECT STATUS

Preferred design and contractor selected.
 Reviewing project budget.

PROJECT DELIVERY – MONTHLY REPORT

Reporting Month	August 19
Project	B. 42 nd Battalion Memorial Pool - Perimeter Fence
Project Number	1126000
Project Manager	Shirley Hynes
Council Committee	Parks, Recreation and Sport

PROJECT SCOPE

Replacement of boundary/security fence to perimeter of the property to Berserker Street, main entrance elevation and vacant lot to the north of the site (excluding Robinson Street, boundary Centenaries Park and Diggers Memorial Bowls Club).

PROJECT MILESTONES

ITEM	TARGET COMMENCEMENT DATE	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	COMMENTARY
Project Planning	December 18		Complete
Design Development	January 19		Complete
Procurement	June 19	August 19	Tenders closed
Construction	September 19	December 19	Works to be coordinated with other projects on the site, concrete footpaths & Water Slide maintenance

FINANCIAL PROFILE

Budget has been reduced to \$200K in the budget review process.

	Project Life				Current Year			
	Total Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget	Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget
Expenditure	\$200,000	\$3,858	\$116	\$196,025	\$199,006	\$2,864	\$116	\$196,025
External Funding	Nil							

PROJECT STATUS

Project progressing in accordance with program

- Design complete.
- Tender adjudication in progress. Three offers received and being evaluated. Project award anticipated early September 2019.

PROJECT DELIVERY – MONTHLY REPORT

Reporting Month	August 19
Project	C. Botanic Gardens Pathways (W4Q Round 3)
Project Number	1147289
Project Manager	Thomas Olsen
Council Committee	Parks, Recreation and Sport

PROJECT SCOPE

Priority 1 and 2 pathways renewal. Shade structures are excluded from these works.

PROJECT MILESTONES

ITEM	TARGET COMMENCEMENT DATE	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	COMMENTARY
Project Planning	August 19	December 19	Proposed scope of works now understood with project plan in development.
Design Development	September 19	December 19	Dates will be finalised upon project plan completion
Procurement	December 19	December 20	
Construction	August 20	May 21	Note Construction not due to start till august 20 in accordance with W4Q cash flow. Design development and procurement has 6 months float.

FINANCIAL PROFILE

Fully funded by the Works for Queensland Round 3. Funding has been split across two financial years;
 1920FY - \$200,000
 2021FY - \$200,000

	Project Life				Current Year			
	Total Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget	Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget
Expenditure	\$400,000	\$1,253	\$0	\$398,747	\$200,000	\$1,253	\$0	\$198,747
External Funding	\$400,000							

PROJECT STATUS

Surveyor engaged to assist in design development, due end September 2019.
 Works will not be complete for Botanical Gardens anniversary.

PROJECT DELIVERY – MONTHLY REPORT

Reporting Month	August 19
Project	D. Cedric Archer Park – Touch of Paradise - Landscaping
Project Number	0984225
Project Manager	Shirley Hynes
Council Committee	Parks, Recreation and Sport

PROJECT SCOPE

Complementary landscaping works to recently refurbishment lagoons. Installation of irrigation system, landscaping planting and installation of street furniture, seating, signage etc.

PROJECT MILESTONES

ITEM	TARGET COMMENCEMENT DATE	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	COMMENTARY
Project Planning	August 19	September 17	Preliminary meeting held with key stakeholders
Design Development	October 19	November 19	
Procurement	November 19	December 19	
Construction	January 20	June 20	

FINANCIAL PROFILE

Carry over budget process complete. Waiting for carry over approval.

	Project Life				Current Year			
	Total Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget	Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget
Expenditure	\$1,327,869	\$2,023	\$14,990	\$1,310,856	\$1,327,869	\$2,023	\$14,990	\$1,310,856
External Funding	\$Nil							

PROJECT STATUS

Project progressing in accordance with program

- Survey of existing planting underway
- Preliminary meeting held with key stakeholders

PROJECT DELIVERY – MONTHLY REPORT

Reporting Month	August 19
Project	E. Fraser Park Amenities
Project Number	1071733 / 1079363 / 1079665 / 1117029 / 1128509
Project Manager	Thomas Olsen
Council Committee	Parks, Recreation and Sport

PROJECT SCOPE

Replacement of Toilet Amenities

PROJECT MILESTONES

ITEM	TARGET COMMENCEMENT DATE	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	COMMENTARY
Stage 2B - Toilet Amenities			
Design and Approvals	August 19	January 20	
Procurement	February 20		
Construction	March 20	September 20	

FINANCIAL PROFILE

* Assumed carry over of budget not yet completed.

	Project Life				Current Year			
	Total Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget	Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget
Expenditure	\$600,000			\$600,000	\$600,000			\$600,000
External Funding	\$600,000							

PROJECT STATUS

Draft funding agreement received for the new amenities block proposal.
 Concept plan to be presented to a future Committee meeting.

PROJECT DELIVERY – MONTHLY REPORT

Reporting Month	August 19
Project	F. Rockhampton Cricket Lighting Project
Project Number	1128960
Project Manager	Thomas Olsen
Council Committee	Parks, Recreation and Sport

PROJECT SCOPE

Installation of Lighting to the Rockhampton Cricket Grounds.

PROJECT MILESTONES

ITEM	TARGET COMMENCEMENT DATE	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	COMMENTARY
Project Planning	January 2018	March 2018	
Design Development	October 2018	December 2018	
Procurement	January 2019	January 2019	
Construction	August 2019	January 2020	

FINANCIAL PROFILE

Carry over adjustments made.

	Project Life				Current Year			
	Total Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget	Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget
Expenditure	\$555,000	\$27,349	\$483,900	\$43,751	\$530,697	\$3,046	\$483,900	\$43,751
External Funding	\$Nil							

PROJECT STATUS

RCG lighting project – Contract has been engaged

- Contractor has mobilised to site
- Alternative lights have been approved and ordered, as specified lights had a 22-26 week lead time
- Switchboards have been ordered
- Poles and head frames have been ordered
- Waiting pole footing reinforcing to arrive to begin excavation onsite.

PROJECT DELIVERY – MONTHLY REPORT

Reporting Month	August 19
Project	G. Hugo Lassen Fernery
Project Number	1079794
Project Manager	Shirley Hynes
Council Committee	Parks, Recreation and Sport

PROJECT SCOPE

Investigation into the structural condition of the existing structure and options appraisal and proposal for development and remedial works; taking into consideration Heritage status of the Botanic Gardens environs and structures.

PROJECT MILESTONES

ITEM	TARGET COMMENCEMENT DATE	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	COMMENTARY
Project Planning	July 18		Timeline has been restarted as scope has been redefined.
Design Development	January 19	February 2020	Design and cost plan to be developed prior to Easter 2020.

FINANCIAL PROFILE

Budget to be confirmed following review of design options. Current budget of \$15,000 for preliminary design only.

	Project Life				Current Year			
	Total Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget	Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget
Expenditure	\$15,000	\$56	\$0	\$14,944	\$15,000	\$56	\$0	\$14,944
External Funding	Nil							

PROJECT STATUS

- Structural condition survey and report requested by Heritage has been completed.
- The perimeter of the Fernery has been cordoned off for safety.
- Preliminary design options have progressed, to be presented at Councillor Workshop.
- Consultation / liaison with Heritage commenced.

PROJECT DELIVERY – MONTHLY REPORT

Reporting Month	August 19
Project	H. Kershaw Gardens Waterfall
Project Number	0988034
Project Manager	Thomas Olsen
Council Committee	Parks, Recreation and Sport

PROJECT SCOPE

This project consists of three separate scopes of work:

1. Repairs to Façade (structural rehabilitation)
2. Improvement to Water Reticulation
3. Upgrade Works

PROJECT MILESTONES

ITEM	TARGET COMMENCEMENT DATE	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	COMMENTARY
Project Planning	November 19		
Design Development	February 19	October 19	Concept approved. Detailed design completed October
Procurement	November 19	December 19	
Construction	January 19	May 20	

FINANCIAL PROFILE

At this point in time, budget seems sufficient for upgrade works. Further cost determination will be undertaken during design development.

	Project Life				Current Year			
	Total Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget	Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget
Expenditure	\$480,426	\$28,716	\$11,599	\$440,111	\$453,960	\$2,250	\$11,599	\$440,111
External Funding	Nil							

PROJECT STATUS

Design completion expected in October. QS Cost plan also anticipated in October. Designs and costs to be taken to council for endorsement.

PROJECT DELIVERY – MONTHLY REPORT

Reporting Month	August 19
Project	I. Mount Morgan Walking/Bike Trail (W4Q Round 3)
Project Number	1147287
Project Manager	Thomas Olsen
Council Committee	Parks, Recreation and Sport

PROJECT SCOPE**PROJECT MILESTONES**

ITEM	TARGET COMMENCEMENT DATE	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	COMMENTARY
Project Planning		November 19	Target date is December 19. This could change depending on environmental studies and audits.
Design Development		December 2019	95% complete with the remaining 5% to be finalised after environmental studies.
Procurement	December 2019	January 2020	
Construction	January 20	November 20	

FINANCIAL PROFILE

Fully funded by the Works for Queensland Round 3. Funding has been split across two financial years.

	Project Life				Current Year			
	Total Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget	Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget
Expenditure	\$600,000	\$147	\$29,075	\$570,778	\$380,000	\$147	\$29,075	\$350,778
External Funding	\$600,000							

PROJECT STATUS

Environmental consultant Ecosure has been engaged to complete environmental impact, flora studies, and incidental environmental aspects of the project. The report is expected by mid October 2019.

The small portion of trail that is located on NRME's property is of concern as legislatively they have up to 2 years to make a decision, however early conversations have been positive. Alternative routes are also being investigated to bypass this land.

PROJECT DELIVERY – MONTHLY REPORT

Reporting Month	August 19
Project	J. Pump Track - Gracemere (W4Q Round 3)
Project Number	1147290
Project Manager	Thomas Olsen
Council Committee	Parks, Recreation and Sport

PROJECT SCOPE

Design and deliver Pump Track to Cedric Archer Park, Gracemere.

PROJECT MILESTONES

ITEM	TARGET COMMENCEMENT DATE	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	COMMENTARY
Project Planning		December 19	
Design Development		December 19	
Procurement	December 19	January 20	
Construction	February 20	May 20	

FINANCIAL PROFILE

Fully funded by the Works for Queensland Round 3. Funding has been split across two financial years.

	Project Life				Current Year			
	Total Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget	Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget
Expenditure	\$500,000	\$1,399	\$0	\$498,601	\$250,000	\$1,399	\$0	\$248,601
External Funding	\$500,000							

PROJECT STATUS

Trailscapes engaged to complete design. Waiting documentation for review, this is due mid-September. Design will be presented to Parks committee meeting.

PROJECT DELIVERY – MONTHLY REPORT

Reporting Month	August 19
Project	K. Yeppen Roundabout
Project Number	0988016
Project Manager	Shirley Hynes
Council Committee	Parks, Recreation and Sport

PROJECT SCOPE

Landscaping of the Yeppen Roundabout including a possible centrepiece upgrade.

PROJECT MILESTONES

ITEM	TARGET COMMENCEMENT DATE	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	COMMENTARY
Project Planning	July 19	September 19	
Design Development	October 19	June 20	
Procurement	September 19		Design Only
Construction			Works in 2019/20 comprise of design development

FINANCIAL PROFILE

	Project Life				Current Year			
	Total Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget	Budget	Actual to date	Committals	Remaining Budget
Expenditure	\$300,000	\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$0	\$0	\$300,000
External Funding								

PROJECT STATUS

Project progressing in accordance with program

- Installation constraints information received from DTMR
- Geotechnical information received from DTMR
- Preliminary stakeholder meeting held

8.2 NAMING OF PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE AT TOUCH OF PARADISE LAGOON, GRACEMERE

File No: 1313
Attachments: Nil
Authorising Officer: Colleen Worthy - General Manager Community Services
Author: Aaron Pont - Manager Parks

SUMMARY

Council endorsement is sought for naming of the recently constructed pedestrian bridge at Touch of Paradise Lagoons, Gracemere.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council endorse Councillor Smith's nomination to name the large suspension bridge at Touch of Paradise Lagoons Gracemere the 'Diane Close Bridge'.

COMMENTARY

In a recent Parks Committee meeting, Councillor Ellen Smith asked if the bridge within Cedric Archer Park was able to be named in recognition of a contribution to the community. Councillor Smith has proposed the bridge be named Diane Close Memorial Bridge. Diane Close was the Gracemere Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator and a long serving member of Gracemere Croquet Club and Gracemere Community Voice. Additionally, Diane was also heavily involved in her local church. Diane Close was the Mayor of Fitzroy Shire for 4 years and a staunch Community supporter for the 18 years her husband was a Councillor.

No formal process exists for the naming of Parks infrastructure, however related policies and procedures include:

- **Naming of Parks, Reserves and Sport Facilities:** Nominations received are assessed against criteria, with recommendations reported to Council for consideration in the first instance. Public consultation is then undertaken with final endorsement sought by Council.
- **Naming of Infrastructure Assets:** If instigated by Council, community consultation is undertaken via advertisements and feedback from other groups as necessary. Public can submit names at any time for consideration. Nominations received are assessed against criteria by General Manager and two officers, with recommendations then presented to Council for adoption.

Whilst the recommendation is to endorse Councillor Smith nomination other options include:

- Endorse the proposed name and undertake public consultation
- Council to seek public nominations for other name suggestions
- Bridge remaining unnamed
- Council to nominate an alternative name or naming process

BACKGROUND

Cedric Archer Park Reserve was first set aside as a Reserve for Recreation purposes under Council trusteeship on 27 November 1976. The Cedric Archer Park / Touch of Paradise Parkland Reserve were identified in the Regional Open Space Plan commissioned in October 2010 as a recreation precinct and the Reserve has been used for a diverse range of recreation activity including sport, playgrounds and wet play, skatepark, and walking paths.

Touch of Paradise Lagoons form part of Cedric Archer Park and was constructed in 1998 as a "Work for the Dole" project.

Recently, Council undertook remediation and restoration work of the 'Touch of Paradise Lagoon' system to improve the ecological health of the lagoons and increase the amenity of the park. The lagoon system had deteriorated and become over grown with aquatic weed, restricted by sediment build up and contained structures that required demolition.

The project included the construction of a large suspension type bridge that serves as both a pedestrian crossing point and a vantage point with good views over the lagoon and surrounds. This project reached practical completion on 19th June 2019, and further budget has been allocated for landscaping and beautification in 2019-20 financial year.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Appropriate signage would need to be added to the scope of Touch of Paradise landscaping project in 2019-20 financial year.

CONCLUSION

This report seeks to endorse Councillor Smith's nomination to name the large suspension bridge at Touch of Paradise Lagoons Gracemere the 'Diane Close Bridge'.

8.3 MONTHLY OPERATIONAL REPORT - AUGUST 2019

File No: 1464
Attachments: 1. Operational Report - August 2019 [↓](#)
Authorising Officer: Colleen Worthy - General Manager Community Services
Author: Aaron Pont - Manager Parks

SUMMARY

This report provides information on the activities and services of the Parks section for August 2019.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report on the activities and services of the Parks section for August 2019 be received.

COMMENTARY

- Botanic & Kershaw Gardens
 - Rockhampton Botanic Gardens
 - Kershaw Gardens
 - Nursery
 - Visitor Services
- Parks Operations
 - Mowing Maintenance
 - Irrigation
 - Horticulture
 - Sports Fields
- Parks Management
 - Sport and Education
 - Customer Service
 - Park Bookings
- Rockhampton Zoo
- Open Space Facilities
 - Cemeteries
 - Playgrounds
 - Park Furniture

The attached report contains information on the activities and services of these areas for August 2019.

MONTHLY OPERATIONAL REPORT - AUGUST 2019

Operational Report - August 2019

Meeting Date: 25 September 2019

Attachment No: 1

MONTHLY OPERATIONS REPORT

PARKS

PERIOD ENDED AUGUST 2019



1. Operational Summary

Botanical Nursery

- Sourcing and supplying plants for multiple projects across Council
- Advanced tree yard nearing completion

Kershaw Gardens

- Reconnecting water to irrigation system in Southern end of site following disconnection in late 2014
- Cleaning out of silt and debris from Rapid Waterfalls in the Southern Precinct

Botanic Gardens

- Rejuvenation pruning of Cenotaph and Japanese Garden Hedges
- Formative pruning of tree collection in the Band Stand precinct
- Site preparation for Tropicana

Visitor Services

- Undertaking tours of Botanic Gardens
- Reviewing current botanical layback signs and working on options for better presentation

Sport & Recreation

- Official opening of the Rockhampton Hockey second synthetic surface
- Official opening of the new carpet at Diggers Memorial Bowls Club
- Official opening of the amenities building at Rockhampton Netball Association

Parks Operations

- Ongoing parks improvement works (mulching and under pruning)
- Spraying of active and passive recreational areas for broadleaf weeds and bindii
- Ongoing aeration of sports facilities playing surfaces

2. Customer Service Requests

Response times for completing customer requests in the August reporting period

All Monthly Requests (Priority 3) Parks 'Traffic Light' report August 2019



	Balance B/F	Completed in Current Mth	Current Month NEW Requests		TOTAL INCOMPLETE REQUESTS BALANCE	Work Orders Issued	On Hold	Completion Standard (days)	Avg Completion Time (days) Current Mth		Avg Completion Time (days) 6 Months		Avg Completion Time (days) 12 Months		Avg Duration (days) 12 Months (complete and incomplete)
			Received	Completed											
Sport & Recreation - General Enquiry	0	0	6	5	1	0	0	10	●	3.80	●	7.11	●	13.51	3.94
Parks Booking Services Request ***Notification***	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	●	0.00	●	7.00	●	7.00	8.00
Tree and Stump Removal - Request	15	15	40	10	0	0	0	50	●	7.00	●	22.28	●	25.92	18.98
Parks Misc - Request	5	4	35	27	9	0	0	10	●	7.46	●	9.96	●	9.97	5.03
Tree Trimming - Request	34	34	57	34	1	0	0	40	●	4.00	●	15.15	●	84.04	84.33

3. Capital Projects

Details of capital projects not reported regularly to Council or a particular Committee in other project specific report updates as at period ended August 2019 – 17% of year elapsed



In terms of scope, schedule and budget, the project is;






on track










generally on track,
with minor issues








off track







Project	Planned Start Date	Planned End Date	On Track	Budget Estimate	YTD actual (incl committals)
<i>Irrigation Renewal Program</i>	<i>1 July 2019</i>	<i>30 June 2020</i>		<i>\$430,717</i>	<i>\$183,035</i>
Comments	Pilbeam Park upgrade being scheduled in conjunction with Club				
<i>Cedric Archer Park – Wetlands</i>	<i>1 July 2019</i>	<i>30 Jun 2020</i>		<i>\$1,000,000</i>	<i>\$267,488</i>
Comments	Scope and design currently being undertaken. Project to be delivered by Regional Services				
<i>Median Refurbishments</i>	<i>1 July 2019</i>	<i>30 June 2020</i>		<i>\$75,000</i>	<i>\$41,734</i>
Comments	Works ongoing Gladstone Road				

<i>Synthetic Roundabout Program</i>	<i>1 July 2019</i>	<i>30 June 2020</i>		<i>\$51,300</i>	<i>\$7,540</i>
Comments	Scope being developed				
<i>Ted Price Pk DOLA Enhancement – Gracemere</i>	<i>1 July 2019</i>	<i>30 June 2020</i>		<i>\$50,000</i>	<i>\$0</i>
Comments	Scope being developed in conjunction with Community Assets and Facilities				
<i>Kershaw – Divert Water Away from Sensory Garden</i>	<i>1 July 2019</i>	<i>30 June 2020</i>		<i>\$70,000</i>	<i>\$0</i>
Comments	Developing scope with Facilities and Asset Team				
<i>Kershaw Gardens Fairy tale Garden</i>	<i>1 July 2019</i>	<i>30 June 2020</i>		<i>\$50,000</i>	<i>\$0</i>
Comments	Scoping out project and in the process of connecting non potable water to the site for irrigation.				

Community Assets and Facilities – Capital Projects over \$50,000					
Project	Planned Start Date	Planned End Date	On Track	Budget Estimate	YTD actual (incl committals)
Parks Electrical Assets Upgrades	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$152,300	\$2,329
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poles at Huish Drive and Queens Park have commenced being systematically removed, modified with additional gussets, and replaced with new energy efficient Road LED street lights. • Inspection and scoping of switchboards for replacement has commenced. • Replacement of floodlighting at No.7 Big Dam Mount Morgan. 				
Amenities Program Renew and Upgrade	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$50,000	\$0
Comments	Scoping has commenced.				
Pool Plant Renewal Program	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$61,000	\$0
Comments	Not yet commenced				
Motorised Vacuum Cleaner (CBD Cleansing)	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$90,000	\$0
Comments	Scoping has commenced.				

Rockhampton Zoo	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$797,607	\$26,595
Comments	Various works are being conducted at Rockhampton Zoo: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project scopes are being finalised • Invitation to Quote for design works closes September 2019 • Soil testing completed • Survey works completed • Chimpanzee Enclosure – replacement of window frames due for completion September 2019 				
Playground Shade Construction Program	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$100,000	\$0
Comments	Program currently being finalised.				
Enhancement Program for (New) Local Parks	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$51,300	\$0
Comments	Program currently being finalised.				
Playground - Equipment Renewal Program	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$215,000	\$36,370
Comments	Program currently being finalised.				
Tables - Picnic Renewal Program	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$50,000	\$0
Comments	Currently being scoped.				

Footpaths Renewal Program	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$50,000	\$0
Comments	Currently being scoped.				
Water Fountain Renewals	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$50,000	\$1,802
Comments	Program currently being finalised.				
Division 5 - All-ability Playground Equipment - Kershaw Gardens	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$70,000	\$70,000
Comments	Awaiting installation.				
Cedric Archer Wet Play Surface Reseal	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$51,300	\$0
Comments	Not yet commenced				
Floral clock - Botanic Gardens	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$60,000	\$0
Comments	Finalising procurement.				
Extension of Gracemere Cemetery	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$210,000	\$79,544
Comments	Plans and scope currently being finalised.				


Mt Morgan Pool - Replace Filters & Plant Room	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$600,000	\$0
Comments	Scoped, awaiting tender.				
Finch Gazebo	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$70,000	\$16,025
Comments	Designs finalised. Tender preparations commenced.				
Tyre Bath and Wash Down Bay	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$100,000	\$0
Comments	Currently being scoped.				
Kershaw Gardens – Fuel Storage	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$50,000	\$0
Comments	Currently being scoped.				
Upgrade sub-soil drain Memorial Gardens	01 July 2018	31 October 2019		\$95,525	\$105,000
Comments	Final stage being installed. Waiting for confirmation of budget rollover from 2019/20				
Cenotaph FP & Create Interpretive Hub	01 July 2019	30 June 2020		\$80,000	\$0
Comments	Scope being finalised.				

4. Operational Projects


As at period ended August 2019 – 17% of the year elapsed




In terms of scope, schedule and budget, the project is;




on track



generally on track,
with minor issues



off track

Project	Planned Start Date	Planned End Date	On Track	Comment	Budget Estimate	YTD actual (incl committals)
Tree Planting	1 July 2019	30 June 2020		Program currently being developed	\$250,000	\$1,314

5. Budget

Financial performance as expected for the reporting period.



End of Month Budget Management Report - (Operating Only) - PARKS

As At End Of August

	Adopted Budget	Actuals	EOM Commitments	Total	Variance
	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
PARKS					
<u><i>Parks Operations</i></u>					
Revenues	(65,953)	(14,093)	0	(14,093)	21.4%
Expenses	6,522,295	999,346	273,377	1,272,724	19.5%
Transfer / Overhead Allocation	1,643,776	234,261	0	234,261	14.3%
Total Unit: Parks Operations	8,100,119	1,219,514	273,377	1,492,892	18.4%
<u><i>Parks Management</i></u>					
Revenues	(169,441)	(34,009)	0	(34,009)	20.1%
Expenses	5,482,149	550,880	13,993	564,874	10.3%
Transfer / Overhead Allocation	74,000	17,137	0	17,137	23.2%
Total Unit: Parks Management	5,386,708	534,008	13,993	548,002	10.2%
<u><i>Botanic & Kershaw</i></u>					
Revenues	(17,046)	(1,504)	50	(1,454)	8.5%
Expenses	1,956,977	303,733	116,907	420,640	21.5%
Transfer / Overhead Allocation	256,628	39,467	0	39,467	15.4%
Total Unit: Botanic & Kershaw	2,196,560	341,696	116,957	458,653	20.9%
<u><i>Rockhampton Zoo</i></u>					
Revenues	(15,654)	(4,696)	0	(4,696)	30.0%
Expenses	1,534,416	200,147	52,085	252,232	16.4%
Transfer / Overhead Allocation	45,000	13,610	0	13,610	30.2%
Total Unit: Rockhampton Zoo	1,563,762	209,062	52,085	261,147	16.7%
<u><i>Parks Administration Services</i></u>					
Expenses	0	2,518	773	3,291	-
Total Unit: Parks Administration Services	0	2,518	773	3,291	-
Total Section: PARKS	17,247,148	2,306,799	457,186	2,763,984	16.0%

6. Section Statistics

Service Level	Target	Current Performance	Service Level Type (Operational or Adopted)
Tenure Renewals – Resolved this financial year	23	4	Operational

Progressive Measures / Indicators	Same Month Last Year	Current Month
Zoo visitors (last year higher due to novelty of Capri)	11,191	11,100
Zoo donations	\$1,816	\$1,912
Volunteer Participation (hours) – Zoo	425	349
Parks bookings (number of events and celebrations in month / FYTD)	91 / 169	62 / 105

SAFETY STATISTICS	FIRST QUARTER		
	July	August	September
Number of Lost Time Injuries	0	0	
Number of Days Lost Due to Injury	0	0	
Total Number of Incidents Reported	9	8	
Number of Incomplete Hazard Inspections	0	0	

CEMETERIES							
Location	Category	Total no. Sites	Burials in JUNE	Sites used	Reserved sites	Vacant sites	Est life on current trends for new burials
GRACEMERE	LAWN	626		387	84	155*	>5 yrs
	MONUMENTAL	?					
MT MORGAN	LAWN	153	1	145	0	8^	>1 yr
	MONUMENTAL	?		?			
MEMORIAL GARDENS	LAWN	1253	1	1143	110	0	0 yrs
BAJOOL	BEAM	14	1	2	0	14	>10 yrs
	MONUMENTAL	?		80+	26+	129	
NORTH ROCKHAMPTON	MONUMENTAL	20000+	6	~16720	~370	~284#	>3 yrs

South Rockhampton Cemetery is closed to future interments, however site is still managed.

*Gracemere Cemetery has 42 sites set aside for the Islamic Society (115 balance available).

^One site full of hard blue rock. May not be suitable for grave.

#North Rockhampton vacant sites may be found to be unsuitable.

☆Cemeteries Staff assisted Funeral Directors with a service at Raglan.

8.4 ROCKHAMPTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL'S DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR RUGBY PARK**File No:** 12501**Attachments:**

1. Draft Development Plan Summary [↓](#)
2. Draft Development Site Plans and Flood Mapping [↓](#)

Authorising Officer: Aaron Pont - Manager Parks
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SUMMARY

In 2016, the Rockhampton Grammar School entered into a Trustee Lease with Council over Rugby Park, L379 Blackall Street, The Range (being Lot 522 SP120476). As per Special Condition 4 of the agreement, the School have supplied a draft development plan for the facility.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council receives the Rockhampton Grammar School's Draft Development Plan and considers flood mitigation options and Lease boundary expansion.

COMMENTARY

Rugby Park is State Reserve under Council's trusteeship located at L379 Blackall Street, The Range (being Lot 522 SP120476). In 2016, Council entered into a Trustee Lease agreement with the Rockhampton Grammar School (the School) following their successful purchase of the freehold property adjacent to the Reserve.

The Rockhampton Grammar School purchased the land adjacent to the reserve to extend their sporting capability beyond the facilities available at the main Rockhampton campus with a vision to undertake a significant renovation and redevelopment of the combined facility (Freehold and Trust Reserve) in order to host rugby union, rugby league, touch and soccer and athletics. The development of the facility would provide both the school and community access to additional sporting facilities.

A special condition of the Lease agreement states that the School supplies a draft development plan for the Premises by 30 June 2019 for Council's review and a final development plan for the Premises by 30 June 2021.

BACKGROUNDExisting Facilities, Current Usage and Community Relationships

The existing facilities on the Trust Reserve portion of the site include the main field with field lighting and spectator seating, a second practice sports field and unsealed carpark. The clubhouse building (which includes toilets, storage room, office space, commercial kitchen, cold rooms, bar, canteen and upstairs function area) and change rooms are located on the Freehold parcel to the East of the main field. The existing clubhouse is flood free; however the most of the remaining Lease area is flood prone.

As outlined in the Development Plan submitted by the Rockhampton Grammar School, there has been significant community use since the commencement of the Lease. The School has formed partnerships with a number of organisations who have benefited from utilising the facility.

The School has provided the estimated use of the facility for 2018 as well as potential future carnivals/events:

SUMMARY OF USE FOR 2018 (players only)		Player Numbers
School Sport	20 x School Rugby Union Matches	1000
	24 x Girls 7s Rugby Union Matches	400
	26 x Primary School League Matches	640
	32 x Secondary School League Matches	1600
	RDSS / Capricornia Rugby Union Trials	100
	RGS Cross Country Championships	1000
Club Sport	4 x Home Games for Frenchville Pioneers	400
	1 x Home Games for Brothers Rugby Union	100
	4 x Weekend Round for Capricornia Junior Rugby Union	400
School Training	Rugby League and Rugby Union Athletics and Touch	1200
Club Training	20 x Drovers Rugby Union Training Sessions	400
	Capricornia Junior Rugby Union Training - Sporadic	200
Total Number of Participants using Rugby Park		<u>7440</u>

POSSIBLE FUTURE USE OF RUGBY PARK		Player Numbers
Future Carnivals	Regional Rugby Championships - 6 Teams	150
	Rugby League Weekend - 8 Teams	200
	QSSS Rugby Union / League Championships - 10 Teams	250
	Bushrangers Muster - 16 Teams	400
	Confraternity Shield - 48 Teams	1200
	CQ Athletics Competitions	100
	Capricornia Senior Rugby Union	100
Future Connections	Linking with current local sporting organisations	?

Proposed Development

The School has provided two development options. The table below shows the new infrastructure proposed for each option:

Option One	Option Two
Additional Touch Football Field	Additional Rectangular Field (League/Union)
Lighting existing 2 nd Rectangular Field	Lighting existing 2 nd Rectangular Field
Synthetic Athletics Track	Synthetic Athletics Track
Multi-purpose Building	Multi-purpose Building
Equipment Store	Equipment Store
Carpark	Carpark
	Administration Office & Gymnasium
	Warm-up Area
	Spectator Seating

Option Two is the preferred option for the School, which requires expansion to the West of the existing Lease area. The school has proposed to extend the existing Lease area to adjoin the free range Zoo enclosure for functionality purposes.

The School have also identified that the main impediment to the development of Rugby Park is flood inundation and have suggested the prevention of flooding by either the extension of the South Rockhampton Flood Levee, or an alternative to allow a separate levee to isolate Rugby Park would be required in order to justify their expenditure.

PREVIOUS DECISIONS

Parks, Recreation and Sport Committee – 16 November 2016:

The Rockhampton Grammar School request for reassignment of lease over Digger's Park

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Should Council wish to support the Rockhampton Grammar School's Draft Development Plan of Rugby Park, budget consideration will be required to investigate flood mitigation options for the site.

CONCLUSION

The draft development plans from the Rockhampton Grammar School for Rugby Park does provide both the school and community access to a facility that is capable of holding larger championships and events however, significant consideration is required to determine if/how Council is willing to assist with flood mitigation options and potentially increasing the existing Lease area.

ROCKHAMPTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL'S DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR RUGBY PARK

Draft Development Plan Summary

Meeting Date: 25 September 2019

Attachment No: 1



Submission for Rockhampton Regional Council to meet Trustee Lease requirement
(Annexure A- Special Condition Item 4)

Draft Development Plan

TRUSTEE LEASE- L379 BLACKALL STREET, THE RANGE QLD 4700

17 June 2019

The following is a Draft Development Plan, lodged as a SPECIAL CONDITION of Trustee Lease between Rockhampton Regional Council (Lessor) and Board of Trustees of The Rockhampton Grammar School (Lessee).

Leaseholder LEASE 'A' ON SP 294288 IN LOT 522 ON SP 120476. Title Reference 49010590.

Lease commencement date 01 January 2017

Expiry date 31 December 2021

Annexure A, Special Condition 4- *'The Trustee Lessee must supply to the Trustee, a draft development plan or proposal for the Premises by 30 June 2019 for the Trustee's review.'*

Submission Contents

Written Submission

- o Executive Summary
- o Existing Facilities
- o Current Rugby Park Usage
- o Existing Community Relationships
- o Proposed Rugby Park Development
- o Flood Issue
- o Town Planning
- o Summary
- o Current Lease document

Drawings

- o Draft Development Site Plan- Option 1
- o Draft Development Site Plan- Option 2
- o Flood Hazard Map
- o 2011 Flood Aerial Photo

Executive Summary

- This submission is to provide Rockhampton Regional Council (Lessor) with a draft development plan as proposed by The Trustees of The Rockhampton Grammar School (Lessee) for the proposed use of Rugby Park at Blackall Street, The Range.
- The Trustees of The Rockhampton Grammar School wish to extend the school's sporting capability beyond facilities available on the main Rockhampton campus, where space is restricted.
- Land has been purchased and leased at Rugby Park- a venue within 5 kilometres of the school site.
- A proposal will be raised with Council for a logical increase of the lease area to the west of the current lease boundary- this is shown as Option 2 in the attached drawings, and is dependent on Council agreement.
- The site currently contains a club house and a formal rugby football field, and a second training field. Most of the area of the sporting fields is subject to flood inundation.
- The proposed development of the area would provide the school and the general community accessible sporting facilities. Also, if this area is flood proofed, it would provide a space for community sport events to continue to occur whilst other facilities are recovering from a flood event.
- The full extent of the development will involve significant expenditure, which, to be able to be justified, would require flood free status.



Existing Facilities

The Trustees of The Rockhampton Grammar School have purchased freehold property and entered into a lease agreement with Rockhampton Regional Council of adjoining fields at Rugby Park, a part of Digger's Park at Normanby Street, The Range, South Rockhampton. (Trustee Lease LEASE 'A' ON SP 294288 IN LOT 522 ON SP120476)

The existing facilities on site include:

- Main sports field (with flood lighting, spectator seating and spectator grassed mounds).
- Secondary practice sports field.
- Main clubhouse – commercial kitchen, cold rooms, bar, function area upstairs and canteen area, toilets, storage room and office space downstairs.
- Change Rooms- team change rooms.
- Paved area - can be used to cook BBQs or a meeting area for teams after games.

The existing club house site is flood free, however the fields and most of the remaining lease area is flood prone.



EXISTING RUGBY PARK SITE



RUGBY PARK VIEW TOWARDS THE SOUTH SHOWING MAIN FIELD, SPECTATOR MOUND AND CLUB HOUSE



EXISTING RUGBY CLUB HOUSE BUILDING



MAIN FIELD VIEW LOOKING SOUTH



MAIN FIELD VIEW LOOKING NORTH



RGS WELCOME



RRU WELCOME

Current Rugby Park Usage

The following table indicates the number of individual participants in each sport utilising Rugby Park throughout 2018. This does not include spectators or community use of the venue for general walking/running through general access (i.e. not planned group activities). Estimate ratio of spectator to player is 1:1 for regular activities and 2:1 for large carnivals.

SUMMARY OF USE FOR 2018 (players only)		Player Numbers
School Sport	School Rugby Union - 20 Matches	1000
	Girls 7s Rugby Union - 24 Games	400
	Primary School League - 26 Matches	640
	Secondary School League - 32 Matches	1600
	RDSS / Capricornia Rugby Union Trials	100
	RGS Cross Country Championships	1000
	Total - 4760	
Club Sport	4 x Home Games for Frenchville Pioneers	400
	1 x Home Games for Brothers RU	100
	4 x Weekend Round for Capricornia Junior RU	400
	Total - 900	
School Training	Rugby League and Rugby Union Athletics and Touch	Total - 1200
Club Training	20 Sessions for Drovers RU	400
	Capricornia Junior RU Training - sporadic	200
	Total - 600	
Total Number of Students using Rugby Park		<u>7460</u>

POSSIBLE FUTURE USE OF RUGBY PARK		Player Numbers
Future Carnivals	Regional Rugby Championships - 6 Teams	150
	Rugby League Weekend - 8 Teams	200
	QSSS Rugby Union / League Championships - 10 Teams	250
	Bushrangers Muster - 16 Teams	400
	Confraternity Shield - 48 Teams	1200
	CQ Athletics Competitions	100
	Capricornia Senior Rugby Union	100
Future Connections	Linking with current local sporting organisations providing office space, training and competition facilities.	?

Existing Community Relationships

Since The Rockhampton Grammar School purchased the Rugby Park clubhouse freehold blocks, and has taken over the lease of the surrounding sporting fields, the School has actively assisted local community groups to utilise the venue. While the facilities are used for the School's co-curricular programme, relationships have been established and developed with several community sporting groups. These include:

- Queensland Cricket - providing permanent office space and a training / meeting venue.
- Queensland Rugby Union – providing a venue for fixtures, coaching courses and meetings.
- Rockhampton District School Sport – The Rugby Park facility services schools from all education sectors (state and catholic), and not just The Rockhampton Grammar School. Friday afternoon primary school soccer and rugby league fixtures, secondary school sport, rugby league and rugby union fixtures, trial venue for a variety of sports. Day carnivals including Primary School Development Cup and Girls Rugby League Karen Murphy Cup.
- Capricornia School sport – Trial venue for rugby union and a training venue as required.
- Capras – Training venue as requested, once a week generally.
- Rugby Capricornia Juniors – Match days as requested in Term 2 and every Friday night Term 4.
- Drovers Rugby Union Club – Senior training venue 3 nights per fortnight plus match days as requested.
- Brothers Rugby Union Club – Junior and senior match days as requested.
- Frenchville Pioneers Rugby Union - Junior and senior match days as requested.
- Rugby Skills Academy – weekly training venue as requested.
- Warba Wangarunya Rugby League Carnival 2019 – This ran over 2 days and was a significant community event for the region. We are in the planning process for 2020.
- Regional Rugby Championships 2019 – RGS ran a weekend rugby union festival including travelling schools from Toowoomba, Sunshine Coast and Townsville as well as local schools for open, U15 and girls age groups. This will hopefully grow and become an annual event.

The Rockhampton Grammar School has already created significant community involvement in this space and would envisage further development of these associations by improving, adding to, and expanding the available facilities.

Proposed Rugby Park Development

Based on the current usage and knowledge of shortcomings, the following improvements/ additions to Rugby Park facilities are considered necessary if the full potential of the space is to be realized.

The attached Development Option 1 drawing is based on use of the area covered by the existing lease.

The attached Development Option 2 drawing is based on use of the area covered by the existing lease, plus space to the west, which the school will seek to negotiate with Council, for logical addition to the current lease area.

Some of the items listed below would require the additional lease area shown in Development Option 2.

Sporting Facilities

- Three rectangular rugby league/rugby union/football fields (current main field, 2nd field plus new third field).
- Warm up space/ training area.
- 400m synthetic athletics track (ideally or as a minimum, grass) 400m running track around one of the rectangular fields. (It should be noted that Rockhampton is the only regional centre without a synthetic athletics track).
- Lights on second and third fields, including the athletics track.
- Athletics spaces including throwing areas for shot put, discus and areas for long/triple jump and high jump, which can be accommodated on that field surrounded by the running track.

Support Facilities

- Multi-purpose building (seating, change rooms, canteen, toilets, function area, office space) in between the two fields. This space could include 200 seats, male/female change rooms, separate toilets, canteen space.
- Car parking facilities.
- Storage for grounds maintenance equipment.
- Separate shared office accommodation for multiple user groups.
- Gymnasium/ training/ indoor space (possibly linked to the separate office accommodation building).
- Access to all buildings on site (new and old).
- Under cover spectator seating as well as additional grassed mound seating.

Flood Issue

The main impediment to the development of the Rugby Park site as outlined above would be the flood inundation issue. The prevention of flooding by either the extension of the South Rockhampton Flood Levee, or an alternative to allow a separate levee to isolate Rugby Park would be needed.

The following engineering comments are provided to inform the discussion:

- The subject site is Lot 522 on SP120476, Digger's Park. It is often referred to locally as 'Rugby Park', and is located in the Rockhampton suburb of The Range, on the southern outskirts of Rockhampton adjacent to the Yeppen Lagoon. This area is subject to flood impacts when the Fitzroy River is in flood.
- As detailed in the survey pick-up compiled by Vision Surveys in Feb / Mar 2018, the existing ground levels in Digger's Park are generally between RL7.0m AHD and RL8.0m AHD. Note this is slightly lower than the contours on the RRC GIS Mapping website suggest. There are also two (2) discrete earth berms (for viewing and signage) adjacent to the existing main rugby field only, with top of berm levels in the order of RL10.0m AHD (western berm) and RL11.0m AHD (northern berm).
- As a result of the existing topography noted above, the site is subject to notable flood inundation when the Fitzroy River is in flood, sometimes for several days. Riverine flood events in 2011 and 2017 (and other flood events in previous years) affected the site, and caused notable impact to the playing fields and surrounding grassed areas as a result. The minimum 1% AEP riverine flood level on this site is RL9.165m AHD, and the maximum 1% AEP riverine flood level on this site is RL9.215m AHD, as detailed in the RRC Flood Search Property Report dated 15th March 2018. This means that the vast majority of the site is inundated in a 1% AEP riverine flood event, with approximately 1-2m of floodwater depth across the site.
- At present, the South Rockhampton Flood Levee (SRFL) is planned to terminate on the eastern side of the Bruce Highway, just south of Jellicoe St, generally to the east of Digger's Park. It is proposed that RRC consider providing flood protection to the subject site as an extension of the currently documented SRFL extents, with the anticipated construction method generally being a clay-core earth levee with a crest level in the order of RL9.715m AHD. This level is 0.5m above the maximum 1% AEP riverine flood level on this site, in order to provide an appropriate amount of freeboard and failure / breach protection. The proposed clay-core earth levee is generally proposed to be along the western and southern

boundaries of the subject site, to tie into existing adjacent embankments at MacGregor St and Normanby St / Blackall St. This would also require the local stormwater catchment that drains to this area, to be controlled and conveyed to a single collection point adjacent to the levee, in order to be pumped out through (or over) the levee wall in significant local rainfall events (regardless of whether there is a 1% AEP riverine flood event taking place or not). This discrete levee would protect the subject site from riverine flood conditions up to the maximum 1% AEP riverine flood level, therefore allowing higher standard built facilities and synthetic surface fields and athletics tracks to be considered and constructed. Without flood protection, such things cannot be considered due to the costly or irreparable damage that would result in a riverine flood event.

Town Planning

The following town planning comments are provided for information:

The subject site (Rugby / Diggers Park) currently accommodates two sport fields and associated amenities (club house). In accordance with the Rockhampton Region Planning Scheme 2016 (RRPS 2016), the subject site is located within the *Sport and Recreation Zone*.

The draft development options, which include the expansion of the sporting and recreational facilities across the site aligns with *RRPS 2016*, in particular the purpose of the Sport and Recreation Zone Code which encourages the provision of a range of sport and recreation uses, well distributed throughout the urban areas and easily accessible by all members of the community. The subject site is connected to all essential services, and well connected to the urban road network.

Summary

Based on the current lease area, the draft development plan is shown on the attached **Site Plan- Option 1** drawing.

However, the school's preferred use of the area would be to increase the lease boundary to the west, up to the boundary of the 'emu enclosure'. Should this development option be considered viable by Council, the draft development plan would be modified to that shown on the attached **Site Plan- Option 2**. The draft development plan Option 2 would provide a much improved functionality, and would avoid leaving the odd space between the current lease and the 'emu enclosure' unused and/or un-maintained.

To take full advantage of the Rugby Park site, to get the most out of facilities, and to justify the expenditure required, the proposed development would need to be flood free.

Development components particularly susceptible to flood damage would include new building facilities, the synthetic running track, athletics facilities as well as ancillary support infrastructure for spectators, maintenance and the like.

The demonstrated benefits of the development of Rugby Park for The Rockhampton Grammar School, other state and catholic schools, and community groups, have been outlined above and are the drivers for this draft planning proposal.

ROCKHAMPTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL'S DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR RUGBY PARK

Draft Development Site Plans and Flood Mapping

Meeting Date: 25 September 2019

Attachment No: 2



DRAFT DEVELOPMENT SITE PLAN - OPTION 1

(BASED ON CURRENT LEASE AREA)

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RUGBY PARK REDEVELOPMENT

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8.5 REQUEST TO ENTER INTO A FREEHOLD LICENCE WITH NORTHS CHARGERS SENIOR RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB AT MCLEOD PARK

File No: 8044
Attachments: Nil
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SUMMARY

Norths Chargers Senior Rugby League Club have outgrown their existing facility at the Gymmy Grounds, 2 Goodsall Street, Berserker (being Lot 182 LN1332) and require additional land in order to meet the needs of the Club.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council enter into a non-exclusive Freehold Licence with Norths Chargers Senior Rugby League Club at McLeod Park.

COMMENTARY

Norths Rugby League Football Club, is comprised of both a Junior (Norths Knights Junior Rugby League Club) and a Senior (Norths Chargers Senior Rugby League Club) Committee whose home base is the Gymmy Grounds located at 2 Goodall Street, Berserker (being Lot 182 LN1332). The Gymmy Grounds is State-owned land leased directly to Rockhampton Rugby League Inc. via a Deed of Grant in Trust (DOGIT).

Norths Rugby League Football Club was formed in 1921 and has been one of Rockhampton's most successful rugby league clubs winning 30 A-grade premierships in the Club's history. The Club has grown significantly in both juniors and seniors over the years and the Club is unable to cater all training sessions and junior fixtures and have limited ability to expand the Club given the space constraints.

The facility at the Gymmy Grounds has one full sized field with field lighting, one mini/mod sized field as well as basic canteen and amenities. The current infrastructure is deemed suitable by Queensland Rugby League (QRL) to host junior Rugby League games, however is not suitable to host senior games.

In the 2019 season, the Club had a total membership of 157 players, which formed the four (4) senior teams – A grade, Reserve grade, Under 20's and Women's. There has also been significant growth in juniors with at least one (1) team nominated in each age group.

As a result of the increase in numbers and limited space at the Gymmy Grounds, the senior teams have sporadically utilised Voss Park during 2019 in order to be able to train. Additionally, junior teams trialed using Church Park as a training facility.

BACKGROUNDCharacteristics of McLeod Park

McLeod Park is Freehold Land located at 85-135 Dean Street, Berserker (being Lot 1 RP602389). The playing surface area of McLeod Park is approximately 7.5 acres which has field lighting and a basic amenities block.

McLeod Park remains a significant asset for Council and is currently being utilised as an alternative venue for a number of organisations that have been temporarily relocated as a result of field remediation and/or irrigation works.

Request from Norths Senior Rugby League Club

The Club approached Council in 2018 seeking utilisation of McLeod Park for training purposes based on the inability to cater for training and junior fixtures at the Gymmy Grounds. During conversations, the Club expressed their desire to develop McLeod Park into a facility that will allow them to host senior games. The existing infrastructure at McLeod Park, will require significant capital investment in order to meet the facility requirements of QRL. At a minimum, it would involve a new clubhouse/change room facility and field lighting upgrade.

Following a number of meetings between the Club and Council officers, it was agreed that as a short term solution Council officers would seek approval to enter into a non-exclusive Licence agreement that would allow use of McLeod Park from the start of the 2020 season while providing Council the opportunity to further investigate the future use and purpose for McLeod Park.

The Club has advised that they would be more than willing to work with and share McLeod Park with other organisations.

Current Use of McLeod Park

Although McLeod Park is not formally leased to an organization, it is important to consider the current use and previous interest. Below outlines clubs and associations that have regularly utilised McLeod Park in 2019.

Club/Association	Day/Time	Purpose
Rockhampton Oztag Fixtures	Monday, Wednesday & Friday nights + some Sunday afternoons	Field remediation at Saleyards Park
Fitzroy Senior Rugby League Training	Tuesday and Thursday nights	Field remediation at Saleyards Park
Nerimbera Soccer Club Training	Tuesday and Thursday nights	Outgrowing Pilbeam Park and attempting to reduce impact on the playing surface for senior fixtures

Towards the end of 2018, Council relocated Rockhampton Oztag, Fitzroy Senior Rugby League and Fitzroy Junior Rugby League from Saleyards Park as a result of the poor condition of the playing surface. Since then significant work has been and continues to be put into the soil condition and playability of the surface, however based on the extensive use of Saleyards Park it is unknown if Saleyards Park will require annual rest periods and/or maintenance programs in order to remain in a playable condition. Should annual rest periods be required, McLeod Park is one of the few facilities in the Region that can cater for the number of fields required by Oztag.

Historically, there has been substantial interest by a number of Clubs in McLeod Park. In 2015, Rockhampton Cricket Inc. approached Council with a proposal to install an additional three (3) astro wickets at McLeod Park. At the time this request was not supported as the need for additional wickets was not justifiable. This proposal has since been raised in recent discussions with the Club following their concern with the two (2) existing astro wickets located at Victoria Park.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN

1.4.3.3 – Engage with and provide support to community and volunteer organisations in the delivery of sport and recreation activities.

CONCLUSION

Entering into a Freehold Licence with Norths Chargers Senior Rugby League will allow the Club to provide sufficient training venues for all grades, while allowing the Club to expand in the future.

9 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

10 URGENT BUSINESS/QUESTIONS

Urgent Business is a provision in the Agenda for members to raise questions or matters of a genuinely urgent or emergent nature, that are not a change to Council Policy and can not be delayed until the next scheduled Council or Committee Meeting.

11 CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with the provisions of section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may resolve to close a meeting to the public to discuss confidential items, such that its Councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the meeting be closed to the public to discuss the following items, which are considered confidential in accordance with section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, for the reasons indicated.

12.1 Commercial Recreational Use of Council-owned land

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

12 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

12.1 COMMERCIAL RECREATIONAL USE OF COUNCIL-OWNED LAND

File No: 8044

Attachments: 1. Proposed Land at Kele Park

Authorising Officer: Aaron Pont - Manager Parks
Colleen Worthy - General Manager Community Services

Author: Jacinta James - Supervisor Sports and Administration

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SUMMARY

An entity has approached Council seeking tenure on Council owned parkland for the purpose of commercial recreational use.

13 CLOSURE OF MEETING