



Rural City of  
**Wangaratta**

# Agenda

For the Ordinary Council Meeting  
Council Chambers, Municipal Offices  
62-68 Ovens Street, Wangaratta **24 May 2022**



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### 1. Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

*We acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we are meeting. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging and to Elders from other communities who may be here today.*

### 2. Opening Prayer

*Almighty God, we humbly ask thee to bless and guide this council in its deliberations so that we may truly preserve the welfare of the people whom we serve. Amen*

### 3. Present

### 4. Absent

Councillor Irene Grant.

### 5. Acceptance of Apologies & Granting of Leave of Absence

## Order of Business

### 6. Citizen Ceremony

### 7. Confirmation of Minutes

#### Recommendation:

That Council read and confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 26 April 2022 as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of the meeting.

## 8. Conflict of Interest Disclosure

In accordance with section 130 of the Local Government Act 2020 a councillor who has a conflict of interest in respect of a matter must disclose the conflict of interest in the manner required by Council's Governance Rules and exclude themselves from the decision making process in relation to that matter, including any discussion or vote on the matter and any action in relation to the matter.

Clause 28.1 of Council's Governance Rules requires a councillor to indicate that they have a conflict of interest by clearly stating:

- (a) the item for which they have a conflict of interest; and
- (b) whether their conflict of interest is general or material; and
- (c) the circumstances that give rise to the conflict of interest.

**Immediately prior to the consideration of the item in which they have a conflict of interest, a councillor must indicate to the meeting the existence of the conflict of interest and leave the meeting.**

A councillor who discloses a conflict of interest and leaves a Council meeting must not communicate with any participants in the meeting while the decision is being made.

## 9. Reception of Petitions

## 10. Hearing of Deputations

### Presentation Of Reports

## 11. Councillor Reports

Nil

### Officers' Reports

## 12. Executive Services

Nil

## 13. Community Wellbeing

Nil

## 14. Corporate Services

Nil

## 15. Infrastructure Services

### 15.1 Merriwa Park Masterplan adoption

Meeting Type:	Ordinary Council Meeting
Date of Meeting:	24 May 2022
Author:	Project Officer
File No:	IC22/96

No Council officers or contractors who have provided advice in relation to this report have declared a conflict of interest regarding the matter under consideration.

#### Executive Summary

This report is presented to Council to with a recommendation to adopt the Merriwa Park Masterplan, following a 60-day public exhibition period which received 55 formal submissions.

The final Masterplan has provided a 10-year action plan for implementation and delivery of future works. Whilst establishing a key vision for the park “to protect and enhance Merriwa Park’s beautiful natural environment and provide an environment of fun and relaxation, with activities for the whole family to enjoy”.

Council Officers are satisfied the appropriate community consultation has occurred and incorporated where possible into the final plan.

#### Recommendation:

That Council adopts the Merriwa Park Masterplan April 2022.

#### Background

Merriwa Park is located in Ryley Street, Wangaratta tucked away within Wangaratta’s CBD. Merriwa Park is a large, beautiful park.

The existing Masterplan for Merriwa Park was developed in 2014. Since this Masterplan was developed Council have completed several plans and feasibility studies which have impacted on the usage of Merriwa Park and its aging infrastructure.

The Masterplan will assist Council to confidently plan future investments within the park and ensure the park is developed in line with the community’s expectations.

At the November Council Meeting last year, the draft Masterplan was recommended for public consultation. Following the 60-day public consultation period, 55 formal submissions were received. Overall submissions received were supportive, identifying the below key themes which have been incorporated into the final Masterplan.

**Key themes:**

- Concerns no bus parking
- Removal of the Bike Hub
- Tree removal Ryley Street
- Artwork & Wayfinding Signage
- Fernery Improvements
- Water Quality Concerns
- Concerns around the promotion of fishing within the lagoon
- Request for additional improvements to the Soundshell
- Rear car parking
- Rear toilets to remain
- Footpath construction to be gravel / natural

**Implications****Policy Considerations**

Procurement Policy.

**Financial/Economic Implications**

The 10-year masterplan has an estimated implementation cost of \$6.5M (ex GST), which will be incorporated into Council's Long Term Financial Plan.

**Legal/Statutory**

There are no legal/statutory implications identified for the subject of this report.

**Social**

The Masterplan will continue to build on the characteristics of Merriwa Park and enhance the park's natural environment to provide a fun and relaxing environment for locals and visitors to enjoy.

**Environmental/Sustainability Impacts**

A key feature of the Master Plan is to maintain the existing biodiversity of planted species both native and introduced.

The Masterplan will preserve the significant remnant vegetation throughout Merriwa and Kaluna Parks for future generations. The lagoon system is to be upgraded with a new recycling water system to reduce water usage. The nature play elements and seating within the park will be constructed from sustainable and recycled materials.

**Strategic Links****Council Plan 2021 – 2025**

This report supports the 2021-2025 Council Plan through the following objectives and actions:

**1. Strengthening our Leadership**

Adopt and maintain a responsible and transparent 10 Year Financial Plan

**2. Valuing our Environment**

Enhance urban vegetation corridors for environmental, recreational, and aesthetic benefit to the community.

### 3. Expanding our Lifestyle

Develop a Masterplan to improve the waterways and community infrastructure at Merriwa Park including the junction of the Ovens and King Rivers.

#### Rural City of Wangaratta 2033 Community Vision

This report supports the 2033 Community Vision through the following objectives:

- Beautiful and accessible parks, gardens and open spaces  
*"We maintain our parks and gardens, reserves and open spaces to ensure the safety and enjoyment of our people and the protection of our spaces".*

#### Risk Management

##### Risk Management Framework

Risks	Likelihood	Consequence	Rating	Mitigation Action
Community dissatisfaction	Possible	Moderate	Medium (6)	Community consultation
Budget expectations	Possible	Major	High (7)	Actions adopted into the LTFP where possible / External funding will be required.

#### Consultation/Communication

Prior to the development of the draft Masterplan online stakeholder engagement sessions were held with key stakeholders shown below to capture their needs for the future development of Merriwa Park.

Key stakeholders:

- Wangaratta Lawn Tennis Club
- Wangaratta Lions Club
- Wangaratta Urban Landcare Group

Community feedback was captured through one online community engagement sessions which received only three attendees, in addition to an online survey which received 30 detailed responses.

The draft Masterplan was placed on public exhibition for 60 days. The draft Masterplan was further promoted via signage installed throughout the park and social media posts.

Following public consultation 55 submissions received, which identified the below key themes.

A summary of how these key themes were addressed in the final plan is reflected below:

<b>Themes</b>	<b>How will this be achieved?</b>
Concerns no bus parking	Bus parking is proposed on Ryley Street, with improvements to be undertaken to improve pedestrian access to the park. Consideration for bus access during events will remain.
Removal of the Bike Hub	Proceed to relocate / determine usage requirements as per draft plan.
Tree removal Ryley Street	Trees to remain.
Artwork & Wayfinding Signage	Improve this action, particularly around Ryley Street.
Fernery Improvements	Build on current actions to include additional infill planting, re-establishment of the "loop track" and path improvements.
Water Quality Concerns	Develop a management plan to undertake improvements to improve water quality, via water filtration and sediment control.
Concerns around the promotion of fishing within the lagoon	Fishing to be removed from the plan.
Request for additional improvements to the Soundshell	Provide support to the Lions Club to seek funding for future upgrades.
Rear car parking	Rear parking provisions will remain and further highlighted in the final plan.
Rear toilets to remain	Rear toilets are to be removed. New toilets suitable for small events installed closer to the playspace. Adequate space has been retained for portable toilet hire at the rear of the park for large events.
Footpath construction to be gravel / natural	Final plan will reflect granitic paths where suitable.

All formal submissions have received a personalised response from Council on how their feedback was included, or how their needs will be addressed outside of this Masterplan.

Officers believe that appropriate consultation has occurred, and the matter is now ready for Council consideration.

### Options for Consideration

1. Adopt the final Merriwa Park Masterplan
2. Defer the adoption of the Masterplan, recommending further review

### Conclusion

Council Officers are satisfied that appropriate community engagement has been undertaken and recommend adopting the Merriwa Park Masterplan.

### Attachments

- 1 Merriwa Park Masterplan [↓](#) 

## 15.2 Cell 6 construction at Bowser Landfill

Meeting Type:	Ordinary Council Meeting
Date of Meeting:	24 May 2022
Author:	Director Infrastructure Services
File No:	IC22/880

No Council officers or contractors who have provided advice in relation to this report have declared a conflict of interest regarding the matter under consideration.

### Executive Summary

This report is presented to Council to provide an update on the Cell 6 Construction Works and the financial impacts associated with an increase in the quantities and changes to the approved plans.

Due to a significant increase in waste disposal in 2021 at Bowser Landfill attributed to the bushfire waste, the expected serviceable life of Cell 7 has been significantly reduced. To ensure practical completion of Cell 6 construction occurred prior to Cell 7 reaching capacity, the tender was released in August 2021. Although changes can be made at any stage it was expected these changes would be minor and could be covered by the contingency in the contract. Unfortunately, when the final review was completed, several additional items were noted. These items are only partly covered by the contingency.

Additional design requirements in the November 2021 review included:

- 8250 sqm layer of drainage geo-composite (leachate drainage net to side walls)
- 7875 sqm of 'smooth' HDPE liner to reduce drag effect on other liners.
- 130 m of increased diameter leachate pipework to accommodate
- 17200 sqm of constructed Compacted Clay Liner to floor.

Reduced design requirement in the November 2021 review included:

- 7045 sqm in geotextile cushion liner (protective layer).
- 10,595 m<sup>3</sup> reduction in 'in-situ' bulk out clay material.

Applying available contingency sums to the pricing received on the additional items the net variation result to Council totals \$195,247.87ex GST. Covid-19 has had a major impact on global shipping markets and commodity prices, these significantly increased following the tender award and further impacted pricing on these items.

In line with Council's Procurement Policy, all contract variations relating to a lump sum contract amount that exceeds the CEO's financial delegation, requires Council approval.

Council Officers have reviewed the contract scope of works and cannot identify any areas for potential savings without compromising the final deliverables.

**Recommendation:**

That Council approve a variation of \$195,247.87 (GST ex) resulting in a revised contract value of \$1,596,787.87 (GST ex) for Contract C32183 Cell 6 Construction Works at Bowser Landfill and adjust the total project budget to \$1,665,631.87 (GST ex).

**Background**

Bowser Landfill has 8 landfill cells. Five cells are now filled (1, 2, 3, 4 and 8), and one cell is still active (7) with two cells to be constructed in the future (5 & 6). After a landfill cell is filled it is temporarily capped with clay until an engineered cap is constructed on top of it. Cell 1 is the only landfill cell that has been capped at the Bowser Landfill, with Cells 2 & 8 capping currently being finalised.

As Cell 7 is now nearly full, Council have been preparing for the construction of the next cell, Cell 6. This has come earlier than anticipated due to receipt of the 2020 bushfire waste last year.

Cell 6 is to be built in accordance with the EPA's Best Practice Landfill Guideline. The construction contract was awarded to Winslow Contractors Pty Ltd at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 28 September 2021.

**Implications****Policy Considerations**

Waste Management Strategy 2018 - 2023

**Financial/Economic Implications**

These works are funded via the waste reserve. The waste reserve is funded through fees and charges raised for the provision of the waste service. Identified projects are assessed and projected in the 10-year capital works plan and Council's Long Term Financial Plan. Funds raised through fees and charges allocated to the waste reserve can only be used for waste capital infrastructure.

Total adopted capital budget was \$1,600,000, to date actual expenditure is \$68,844. The existing contract award is \$1,401,540.00. The proposed variation of \$195,247.87 (GST ex) would result in an adjusted forecast expenditure, including actual of \$1,665,631.87 (GST ex).

**Legal/Statutory**

The Environment Protection Act 2017, as significantly amended by the Environment Protection Amendment Act 2018.

**Social**

While the community continue to produce single use waste products, landfills still perform a vital role in waste management. The standards applied to the cell construction by the EPA allows for the control of pollutants, particularly leachate and gases, while also controlling development around sensitive repositories.

**Environmental/Sustainability Impacts**

Council continues to work with the community on reducing waste to landfill. This includes education, FOGO and possible glass collection. The standards applied to the cell construction by the EPA

allowing the control of pollutants, particularly leachate and gases, while also controlling development around sensitive repositories. The leachate and gases are controlled during the filling of the cell and then after capping.

Clay will be sought from the site reducing the impacts of cartage and recycled organic material from Council's facility will be used for topsoiling and rehabilitation.

### Strategic Links

#### Council Plan 2021 – 2025

This report supports the 2021-2025 Council Plan through the following objectives and actions:

### 3. Valuing our Environment

#### 3.2 Reduce waste and enhance resource recovery.

Ensure services and facilities are operated in compliance with the updated Environmental Protection Act.

#### Other strategic links

This report supports the Waste Management Strategy and Waste Services Policy.

### Risk Management

Tender evaluation, award and consideration of variation have been done in accordance with Council's Procurement Policy.

### Consultation/Communication

Officers believe that appropriate consultation has occurred, and the matter is now ready for Council consideration.

### Options for Consideration

1. Approve the variation proposed in this report.
2. Do not approve the variation proposed in this report. This will result in significant delays in the practical completion of the project. It may also result in the contractor disputing the contract.

### Conclusion

Officers have reviewed the variation claim from the contractor and found it to be reasonable. To allow the works to continue Council officers recommend that the variation be approved to gain final approval to commence filling Cell 6 upon practical completion.

### Attachments

Nil.

### 15.3 Kerbside Glass Collection Service

Meeting Type:	Ordinary Council Meeting
Date of Meeting:	24 May 2022
Author:	Acting Waste Services Coordinator
File No:	IC22/966

No Council officers or contractors who have provided advice in relation to this report have declared a conflict of interest regarding the matter under consideration.

#### Executive Summary

This report is presented to Council to seek approval to proceed to community consultation on the Kerbside Glass Collection Service Model before considering the feedback and proposed service model at a future Council meeting.

The proposed Service Model includes:

- Monthly collection of 'purple lidded' kerbside glass bins for all tenements currently receiving a comingled recycling service.
- Accessible glass 'drop off' facilities within transfer stations for all other tenements.

The proposed kerbside glass collection service model reflects a future service model that enacts Council's obligations under the Victorian Government's Circular Economy (Reduction and Recycling) Act 2021.

Noting that the implementation and commencement date of the proposed kerbside glass collection service model is subject to the completion of the 'Resource Recovery Collective - Hume' collaborative procurement activity, community feedback and Circular Economy (Waste Reduction and Recycling) Act 2021.

#### Recommendation:

That Council:

1. Endorse the community consultation process for the proposed kerbside glass collection service model for a 28-day public exhibition period, inviting submissions from the community and stakeholders, and
2. Review and consider adopting the proposed kerbside glass collection service model at a future Ordinary Council Meeting taking into consideration submissions made via the community consultation process.

#### Background

In late February 2020, the Victorian Government released its circular economy policy Recycling Victoria and 10-year action plan for waste and recycling. The policy committed to developing the Victorian Government's Circular Economy Reduction and Recycling Act 2021 (the Act) and establishing a waste authority regulator (Recycle Victoria).

Amongst several proposed changes to existing waste management practices and procedures delivered by Council, the Act requires councils to 'transition' kerbside waste service delivery models to 4 specific waste and recycling streams to all residents by 2030.

The four streams are:

1. Combined food and garden organics (FOGO) (already implemented)
2. Glass (2027)
3. Combined paper, plastic, and metals (Comingled recycling)
4. Residual household waste (Garbage)

In August 2020 the Victorian Government provided Council funding to assist in developing a 'kerbside transition plan' providing details of how Council intends to transition to the four-core kerbside collection service model, including timing of service introductions, infrastructure needs, education requirements and consultation periods. Addressing glass collection requirements formed a priority of the activity given Council having already successfully implemented FOGO collection in 2015.

The 'kerbside transition plan' was informed by extensive analysis, modelling and benchmarking of metrics and data obtained from Council's existing kerbside collection service along with several Victorian Councils which have existing kerbside glass collection services.

Council officers assessed each waste service delivery model based on service delivery, accessibility, forecast glass material diversion rates, potential ancillary costs (i.e., illegal dumping/contamination) and how each option addressed expectations based on Victorian Government policy and communications.

Pending endorsement of the recommended service model, community consultation is planned to commence early June 2022 which aims to seek feedback from the community on the proposed Kerbside Glass Collection Service Model, prior to presentation of a final service model to Council at a future Ordinary Council meeting, taking into consideration submissions made via the community consultation process.

## Implications

### Policy Considerations

Victorian Government Circular Economy Policy and 10-year action plan for waste and recycling.

### Financial/Economic Implications

Initial estimates of key activities associated with the delivery of the preferred service model are:

- Roll-out (delivery) of 80l kerbside glass bins to urban and township tenements \$380,000
- Commissioning of Transfer Station glass 'drop off' facilities \$343,000
- Delivery of ongoing kerbside collection service and materials processing \$380,000 (\$45 per tenement serviced)

Council has been successful in obtaining the following funding toward the key activities:

- DELWP \$214,000 funding assistance to offset transition costs to 4 stream collection.
- DELWP \$343,000 funding assistance to commission Transfer Station glass 'drop off' facilities.

This leaves a shortfall of \$166K to be funded by Council.

Council is currently participating in a regional collaborative procurement activity with 13 other councils and Alpine Resorts throughout the Hume and Goulburn Valley region for provision of kerbside waste and recycling services. The existing procurement project schedule indicates that the tender evaluation process will be complete in October 2022. This activity will provide service delivery options based on the recommended service model resulting in significant financial benefits to the community in the delivery of the additional service. This will be detailed in a report to Council following the completion of the activity.

**Legal/Statutory**

Victorian Governments Circular Economy Reduction and Recycling Act 2021 (the Act).  
Waste authority regulator (Recycle Victoria).

**Social**

The introduction of a glass service will reduce waste to landfill while maintain the viability of the comingled sorting stations. Improving end user outcomes.

**Environmental/Sustainability Impacts**

The introduction of a glass service will reduce waste to landfill.

Removing glass from the comingled recycling stream will allow greater opportunity for high value recycling to be produced without the glass containment.

Glass will be able to be sorted into high and low value glass for better overall recycling results.

**Strategic Links**

**Council Plan 2021 – 2025**

This report supports the 2021-2025 Council Plan through the following objectives and actions:

**3.2 Reduce waste and enhance resource recovery**

3.2.1 Reduce waste and enhance resource recovery.

(3.2.1.2) Ensure service delivery is in accordance with the Recycle Victoria Policy

(3.2.1.5) Introduce a third glass-only bin into the community. Provide educational resources to households to ensure a successful uptake.

**Rural City of Wangaratta 2033 Community Vision**

This report supports the 2033 Community Vision through the following objectives:

M2 Strengthen positive behaviours throughout the community to minimise the negative impact of waste

**Risk Management**

Risks	Likelihood	Consequence	Rating	Mitigation Action
Negative community response: potential costs of service	Medium	Poor uptake and difficult implementation	6	Continued participation in collaborative

Risks	Likelihood	Consequence	Rating	Mitigation Action
				procurement activity
Negative community response: requirement of additional bin	Medium	Continued contamination	6	Implement communications plan
Adequacy of collection frequency and location	Low	Continued contamination	4	Implement communications plan
Demonstrating compliance with Council's obligations under the Victorian Government's Circular Economy (Reduction and Recycling) Act 2021.	Low	Unowned under the Act	4	Continued participation in collaborative procurement activity

### Consultation/Communication

Officers believe that appropriate consultation has occurred and the matter is now ready for Council consideration.

### Options for Consideration

1. Endorse the community consultation process for the proposed kerbside glass collection service model for a 28-day public exhibition period.
2. Do not endorse the community consultation process for the proposed kerbside glass collection service model.

### Conclusion

It is recommended Council endorse proceeding to Community Consultation on the Kerbside Glass Collection Service Model for a 28-day public exhibition period, inviting submissions from the community and stakeholders until close of business on Thursday 30 June 2022.

### Attachments

Nil.

## 16. Development Services

### 16.1 Tourism Events Grant Program

Meeting Type: Ordinary Council Meeting  
 Date of Meeting: 24 May 2022  
 Author: Economic Development & Tourism Officer  
 File No: IC22/888

No Council officers or contractors who have provided advice in relation to this report have declared a conflict of interest regarding the matter under consideration.

#### Executive Summary

Applications for funding under Council's Tourism Events Funding Program for events taking place between July and December 2022, recently closed. The allocated budget for this part of the program is \$20,000. Council received eight applications with a total funding request of \$21,480 for this period.

An assessment process has been undertaken with a recommendation that all eight events are funded with a total allocation of \$20,000.

#### Recommendation:

That Council awards the total of \$20,000 to fund the following eight events as part of Round 1 (July - December 2022) of the Tourism Events Funding Program for the 2022/2023 financial year:

Event Name	Organisation	Date of Event	Grant Amount Recommended
Transmoto 8-Hour Enduro Wangaratta 2022	Transmoto Pty Ltd	24-25 September 2022	\$4,100
Eldorado Gold Flag Trail Day 2022	El Dorado Tourism Business Group Incorporated	3 December 2022	\$1,980
King Valley Challenge	Vigor Coaching	5 November 2022	\$2,000
Victorian Junior Road Championships	Carnegie Caulfield Cycling Club	13-14 August 2022	\$2,000

Victorian Salami Festival	Dal Zotto Wines	1 December 2022	\$2,000
Victorian Swimming Club Open Meet	Wangaratta Amateur Swimming Club	26-27 November 2022	\$1,500
La Dolce Vita	Wines of the King Valley	19-20 November 2022	\$5,000
Country Music Festival Wangaratta	Da Vinci Social Club Inc	11-13 November 2022	\$1,420

### Background

Each year Council's Tourism Events Funding Program provides financial assistance to event organisers for the promotion and development of their festivals and events.

The objectives of the Tourism Events Funding Program is to –

- maximise economic and community benefits;
- provide significant branding and marketing opportunities for the municipality and region;
- substantially build the profile of the event to attract visitors from outside of the Rural City of Wangaratta; and
- promote the tourism product strengths of the Rural City of Wangaratta.

Grants are available up to \$5,000 for major and marquee events (events that attract over 500 visitors) and up to \$2,000 for minor events (events that attract less than 500 visitors).

This round of the program, which is providing funding for eligible events taking place from 1 July to 31 December 2022, received eight applications. The total amount requested for this round was \$21,480 with an estimated economic value add to the local economy of \$1.56 million.

The program is split into two rounds per year to provide the best opportunity for Rural City of Wangaratta to capture and support a range of events. Applications must ensure they adhere to any requirements for permits and all COVID19 regulations to conduct their event.

Applications were assessed against the program criteria including their ability to attract visitation to the region, their potential to develop into a key tourism or visitor attraction event in the foreseeable future, a marketing plan well researched and targeting beyond the immediate municipality and other relevant criteria. Following this assessment, eight events are recommended to receive funding.

### Implications

#### Policy Considerations

The program applications have been assessed by a panel of three Council officers from multiple departments with funding allocation recommendations made in line with the Council Plan objective

for tourism, the key directions of the Economic Development and Tourism Strategy and the grant program assessment criteria.

**Financial/Economic Implications**

Council has an allocation of \$20,000 to fund this portion of the program for 1 July to 31 December 2022. The recommendation on the current round under review is to allocate a total of \$20,000 to the successful applicants.

**Legal/Statutory**

There are no legal/statutory implications identified for the subject of this report.

**Social**

Events have the capacity to increase the level of local interest and participation within the community and strengthen regional values. Increased local pride and community spirit, as well as an increased awareness of non-local perceptions.

**Environmental/Sustainability Impacts**

Environmental and sustainability impacts were included as an assessment criterion for the grants. The aim is to increase events participation and awareness of waste, water reduction and reducing the impact on the environment.

**Strategic Links****Council Plan 2021 – 2025**

This report supports the 2021-2025 Council Plan through the following objectives and actions:

**Expanding our Economy** (Council Plan 2021 – 2025 Section 4)

- Promote the diverse tourism offering within the region
- Drive visitation by generating awareness and consideration of RCOW as an attractive regional tourist destination
- We encourage and support responsible growth of our existing businesses and industries.
- Support the development of small and medium enterprises.
- Enhance the activity in our rural townships.

**Rural City of Wangaratta 2033 Community Vision**

This report supports the 2033 Community Vision through the following objectives:

Tourism continues to thrive, with visitors attracted to the region's natural beauty, food and wine, cycling tracks, art facilities, cultural heritage and festivals.

**Other strategic links**

This report supports the Economic Development and Tourism Strategy 2018-2023.

**Risk Management**

Risks	Likelihood	Consequence	Rating	Mitigation Action
Event organisers ability to contribute cash and in-kind	(3) possible	(2) minor	Medium	Ask for financial commitment and financials in application
Event organisers capacity to deliver the promised event	(3) possible	(2) minor	Medium	Constant communication with event organisers to ensure event success

**Consultation/Communication**

Level of public participation	Promises to the public/stakeholders	Tools/Techniques
Inform	Provide an event funding program	The Chronicle Industry eNewsletter Digital Media Channels Council website
Empower	Provide support to event organisers	Advice on completing and submitting applications

Officers believe that appropriate consultation has occurred and the matter is now ready for Council consideration.

**Options for Consideration**

**Option 1: (Recommended)**

Council approves the allocation of a total of \$20,000 to fund the recommended eight events as part of Round 1 of the 2022/2023 Tourism Events Funding Program.

**Option 2: (Not Recommended)**

Council rejects or amends the allocation of a total of \$20,000 to fund the recommended eight events as part of Round 1 of the 2022/2023 Tourism Events Funding Program and does not proceed with the program as per council officers' recommendations.

**Conclusion**

Following a detailed assessment, eight applications were recommended for funding. They are listed in this report, and it is requested that Council approves the allocation of a total of \$20,000 to fund these events.

### Attachments

- 1 Tourism Events Grant Program (July-Dec 2022) - Applications Summary & Panel Scores - Confidential

## 17. Special Committee Reports

Nil

## 18. Advisory Committee Reports

## 19. Minutes of Advisory Committee Meetings

### 19.1 Minutes of Advisory Committee Reports

Meeting Type: Ordinary Council Meeting  
 Date of Meeting: 24 May 2022  
 Author: Executive Assistant Corporate Services  
 File No: IC22/382

No Council officers or contractors who have provided advice in relation to this report have declared a conflict of interest regarding the matter under consideration.

#### Executive Summary

Minutes of Advisory Committee Meetings and committee reports are reported to Council for information (please refer attachments.)

Date	Meeting Details	Refer
15 February 2022	Audit and Risk Advisory Committee Minutes	Attachment 1
16 February 2022	Sport and Recreation Advisory Committee	Attachment 2
02 May 2022	Arts, Culture, Events and Heritage Advisory Committee	Attachment 3

#### Recommendation:

That Council notes the minutes of these Advisory Committees.

#### Attachments

- 1 Audit and Risk Advisory Committee Minutes - 15 February 2022 [↓](#) 
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Nil

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**Attachments**









































































































































