



**MOUNT BARKER
DISTRICT COUNCIL**

NOTICE OF MEETING

Pursuant to Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1999 notice is hereby given that the following meeting will be held in the Laratinga Pavilion, Environmental Services Centre, 100 Springs Road, Mount Barker on Monday 1 February 2021.

7.00 pm

Council Meeting

A. Stuart
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

27 January 2021

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1. **COUNCIL OPENING**
EXPRESSION OF FAITH
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LAND
- 1.1 **Leave of Absence**
- 1.2 **Apologies**
2. **QUESTIONS FROM THE GALLERY (15 MINUTES)**
3. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**
 - 3.1 **Recommendation**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 18 January 2021 as circulated to members be confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.
4. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

Council Members are reminded of the requirements for disclosure by Members of material, actual or perceived conflicts of interest in relation to items listed for consideration on the agenda.
5. **DEPUTATIONS**
6. **QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE – COUNCILLORS**
7. **QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE – COUNCILLORS**
8. **MOTIONS ON NOTICE**

NIL

9. MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

For

- *requesting a report*
- *a simple matter with minor impact*
- *an urgent matter that without consideration by Council would result in a detriment to Council*

10. PETITIONS

NIL

11. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES**11.1 Special Regional Sports Hub Board – 22 January 2021**

The recommendation of the Regional Sports Hub Board is provided below for consideration by Council:

11.1.1	REPORT TITLE:	REGIONAL SPORTS HUB NAME - RESULTS OF COMMUNITY VOTE
	DATE OF MEETING:	22 JANUARY 2021
	FILE NUMBER:	DOC/21/6124
	ATTACHMENTS:	1. RSH NAMES – VOTING RESULTS DOC/21/6416 2. COUNCIL APPROVED NAMING PROCESS DOC/20/165574 <i>Attachments are provided at Item 12.1</i>

Recommendation

That Council note that the RSH Board recommends to Council that the facility currently known as the Mount Barker regional sports hub on Springs Road Mt Barker be formally named “Mount Barker Regional Sports Hub”.

Officer note: *The above recommendation is only for noting by Council because also included in this agenda at item 12.1 is further information for council consideration on this matter, including the rationale of the RSH Board in making the above recommendation to council.*

Greg Parker
Executive Officer to the Board

12. REPORTS**12.1 REPORT TITLE: REGIONAL SPORTS HUB NAME****DATE OF MEETING: 1 FEBRUARY 2021****FILE NUMBER: DOC/20/187593**

**ATTACHMENTS: 1. RSH NAMES – VOTING RESULTS
DOC/21/6416
2. COUNCIL APPROVED NAMING PROCESS
DOC/20/165574
3. RATIONALE FOR BOARD RECOMMENDATION
DOC/21/11612**

Key Contact Ian Hildebrand, Communications Manager

Manager/Sponsor Greg Parker, General Manager, Community Services

**Community Plan 2020-2035:
Leadership and good governance**

LGG Strategy 3

Provide opportunities for the community to access and participate in decision-making processes and fully integrate community engagement practices into Council activities.

Annual Business Plan:

5.1 Capital Project or Initiative (Regional Sports Hub Stage 1)

Purpose:

To inform Council of the results of the final community voting phase in relation to the nine (9) short-listed names and to recommend a name for the regional sports hub to Council for approval.

Summary – Key Issues:

1. Name suggestions were sought from the community via Your Say Mount Barker from 14 October 2020 – 3 November 2020 with ninety seven submissions received and twenty-eight unique names being assessed and scored.
2. Five names (Peramangk, Meruwatta, Clover, Karra-Watta and Mountain View) were shortlisted to be put to a community vote in December 2020, together with the four names suggested by the consultants OnCreative (Adelaide Hills, Mount Barker, Laratinga, Summit).
3. The voting process concluded on 29 December 2020 with 525 unique community responses.

4. The RSH Board considered the community vote and made an alternate recommendation. (see Agenda item 11.1 and Attachment 3)

Recommendation:

That Council:

1. (a) Approves the facility formerly known as the regional sports hub on Springs Road Mt Barker be formally named **Summit Sport and Recreation Park** based on the community vote.
or
 2. (b) Approves the facility formerly known as the regional sports hub on Springs Road Mt Barker be formally named **Mount Barker Regional Sports Hub** based on the RSH Board's recommendation.
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Background:

1. Ms Sue Cornwell from OnCreative presented four name options to the Regional Sports Hub Board (the Board) at their meeting 26 August 2020. Name options presented were:
 - a. Adelaide Hills
 - b. Summit
 - c. Mount Barker
 - d. Laratinga
2. At the 7 September 2020 meeting, Council endorsed a recommendation from the Board to undertake wider community consultation for an appropriate name for the site.
3. At the 6 October 2020 meeting, Council approved the process for formal naming of the Mount Barker regional sports hub as suitable to implement.
4. At the 2 November 2020 meeting, Council amended the Sports Hub naming process to read 'Board noting shortlisted names and make a recommendation to Council as to their preferences for shortlisted names'.
5. At the 7 December 2020 meeting, Council noted that the Board noted and advised Council of the 9 names to go to a public vote as per the Council approved naming process.

Discussion:

6. Name suggestions were sought from the community via Your Say Mount Barker from 14 October 2020 – 3 November 2020.
7. A promotional campaign (Game On!) was implemented to make the community aware and get them involved in the consultation.

8. Campaign materials on the Your Say site included details of the process which included shortlisting against objective criteria by an internal panel with representation from the following relevant work areas:
- a. Communications
 - b. Revenue and Property
 - c. Community Assets
 - d. Strategic Projects and Planning Policy
 - e. Community Development (Peramangk liaison)
 - f. Local History (Library)
9. Following the completion of the consultation period submissions were shortlisted by the internal panel using the approved criteria.
10. Ninety-seven name submissions were received.
11. Twenty-seven suggestions aligned with the suggestions put forward by OnCreative (Adelaide Hills, Summit, Mount Barker, Laratinga) and were not scored as these names will already be included in the public vote as per the approved process.
12. Fourteen suggestions were considered inappropriate or not suitable and were not scored.
13. Twenty-eight unique names were assessed and scored.
14. Eight of the valid submissions were suggested multiple times and this was considered in the weighting of final names.
15. Five names were shortlisted to be put to a community vote along with the four suggestions put forward by consultants OnCreative. The names and brief description are as follows:

Name	Connection	Voting Result % (n=525)
Peramangk	Name of the traditional owners of the land.	12.2
Meruwatta	Peramangk for people belonging to the same group.	9.5
Clover	The subterranean clover is a Mount Barker symbol and vital part of its agricultural history.	4.6

Karra-Watta	Peramangk for Red gum land.	10.5
Mountain View	Name should include the most prominent landmark in the region.	5.5
Adelaide Hills	Defines the facility as inclusive of a wider region.	7.2
Mount Barker	Clearly defines the town where the facility is located.	10.3
Laratinga	Peramangk meaning for Mount Barker Creek. Reflects immediate location of nearby Laratinga Wetlands and Trail.	18.5
Summit	Prominent landmark in the region clearly viewable from the facility.	21.7

16. As per the Council approved naming process, voting on Your Say Mount Barker commenced Wednesday 9 December 2020 and concluded on Tuesday 29 December 2020.

17. The results of the voting are included in the table above.

18. Local Peramangk elders were consulted initially (and following the voting process) and have not agreed on an assignment of a Peramangk name and confirmed the site itself does not have Peramangk significance in its own right, however a couple of respondents agreed that 'Laratinga' had significance in relation to the precinct of the Mt Barker Creek.

19. The voting process only included the primary name and not the suffix ('Sports Park' was attached to the nine options for voting purposes for simplicity).

20. The potential common names for the suffix to accompany the name are:

- a. Sports Hub
- b. Sports Centre
- c. Recreation Hub
- d. Hub
- e. Recreation Park
- f. Sport and Recreation Park
- g. Sports Complex

- h. Complex
 - i. Sportsplex
 - j. Arena
 - k. Recreation Grounds
 - l. Ground
 - m. Stadium
 - n. Sports Fields
 - o. Recreation Fields
 - p. Reserve (Consideration to be given to Aboriginal sensitivities)
 - q. Park
 - r. Sports Park
- (Please note the word “regional” could be applied to any of the above.)

21. Due to the precinct’s accessibility to the Council’s trail network and the intention for the facilities to be open to the public when scheduled sports events and practice is not occurring it is recommended that the name be accompanied by the suffix, *Sport and Recreation Park*.
22. This name is likely to be colloquially shortened to “*Summit Park*” or just “*the Summit*” but this is not deemed to be problematic.
23. Consistent with the Council approved naming process the results of the community vote were presented for consideration to the RSH Board on 22 January 2021 in a special zoom meeting.
24. The Board voted unanimously to recommend the following name to Council – *Mount Barker Regional Sports Hub*. The rationale for the Board’s recommendation is attached as Attachment 3.
25. An option for Council members is to have a temporary suspension of normal meeting procedures so Council members can discuss the matter informally with a view to this assisting in the subsequent decision making process via a motion and ultimately a resolution. As per the Local Government Regulations, this option will require support from at least two thirds of the council members present and during the suspension of normal meeting procedures, no motion can be moved.
26. To enact and subsequently conclude this option would require the following to be put and carried :
 - *That Council: Pursuant to regulation 20 of the Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations, suspends normal meeting procedures to enable a period of informal discussion of the name of the regional sports hub..*
 - *Ends the period of suspension of normal meeting procedures.*

27. Council has the ultimate discretionary decision making power on the official naming of the facility.

Community Engagement:

Informing only	Website
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Policy:

Road and Place Naming Policy

Public Consultation Policy

Long Term Financial Plan:

NA

Budget:

Accommodated in existing 2020/21 budget.

Statutory/Legal:

Local Government Act (1999) Section 219.

Staff Resource Requirements:

Within existing approved staff resource levels.

Some contracted work will be required with respect to marketing collateral and promotion of the name.

Environmental:

NA

Social:

Community involvement in selecting the name for the regional sports hub will give a sense of community inclusion and pride, and, therefore, enhance wellbeing.

Risk Assessment:

The risk of a segment of the community being opposed to the proposed name will be mitigated by brand management and promotion of the wellbeing outcomes.

Asset Management:

N/A

Conclusion:

A wide community consultation process in naming the regional sports hub has occurred and the most popular of the shortlisted names was "*Summit*".

Previous Decisions By/Information Reports to Council

Meeting Date	7 December 2020	HPRM Reference	DOC/20/162290
Title	RSH – Naming Shortlist		
Purpose	To seek endorsement for the shortlisted names to be put out to the community poll.		

Meeting Date	14 October 2020	HPRM Reference	DOC/20/126545
Title	RSH – COMMUNICATION PLANS		
Purpose	To provide information on the communication of construction and operational aspects of the regional sports hub stage 1 project up to the opening event for the facility.		

Meeting Date	26 August 2020	HPRM Reference	DOC/20/97812
Title	Regional Sports Hub - Naming		
Purpose	To seek Mt Barker Regional Sports Hub Board endorsement of the proposed RSH naming		

Attachment 1 to Item 12.1

Vote on a name for the regional sports hub

SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT

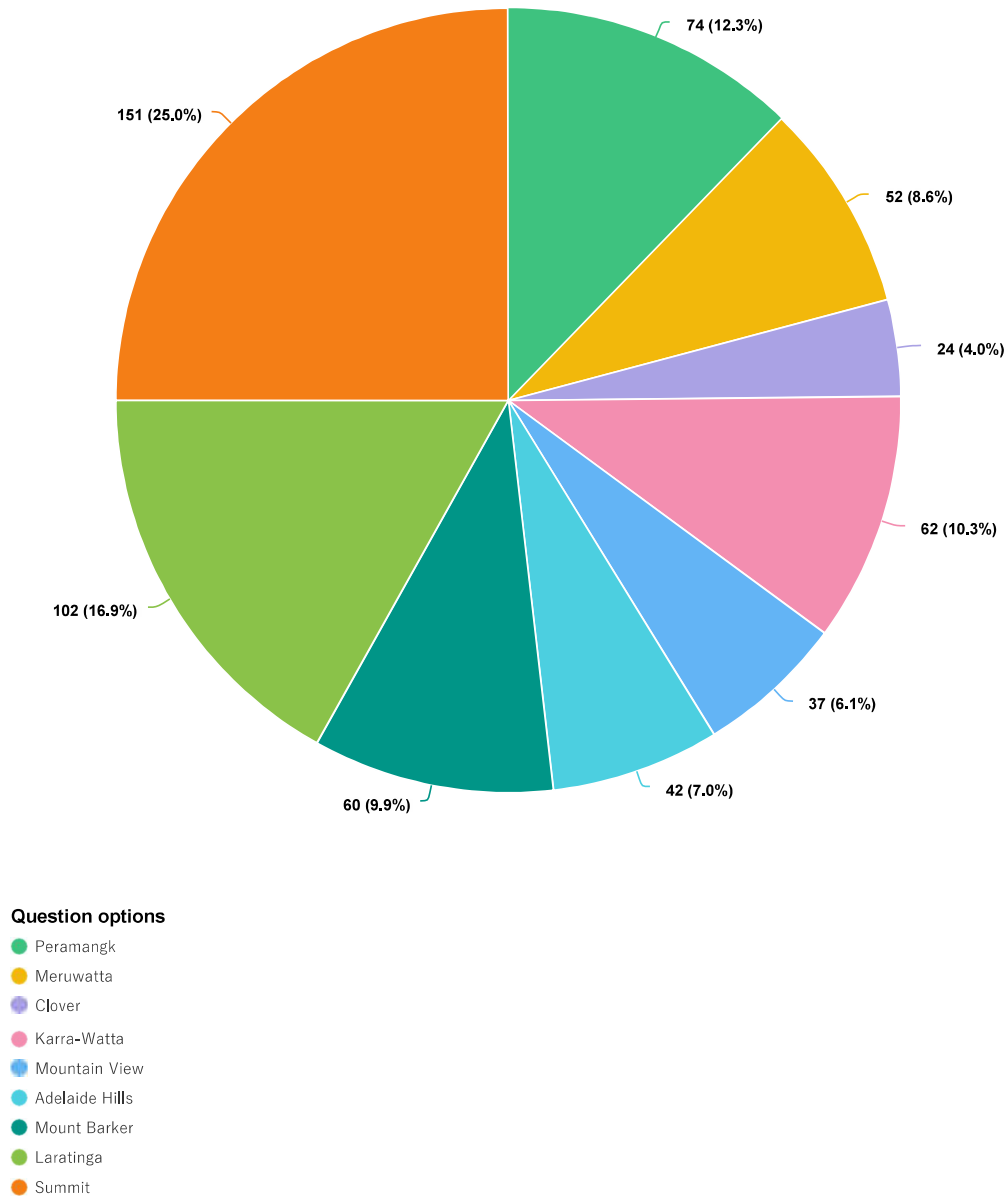
9 December 2020 to 29 December 2020

PROJECT NAME:

Game On - Vote Now!

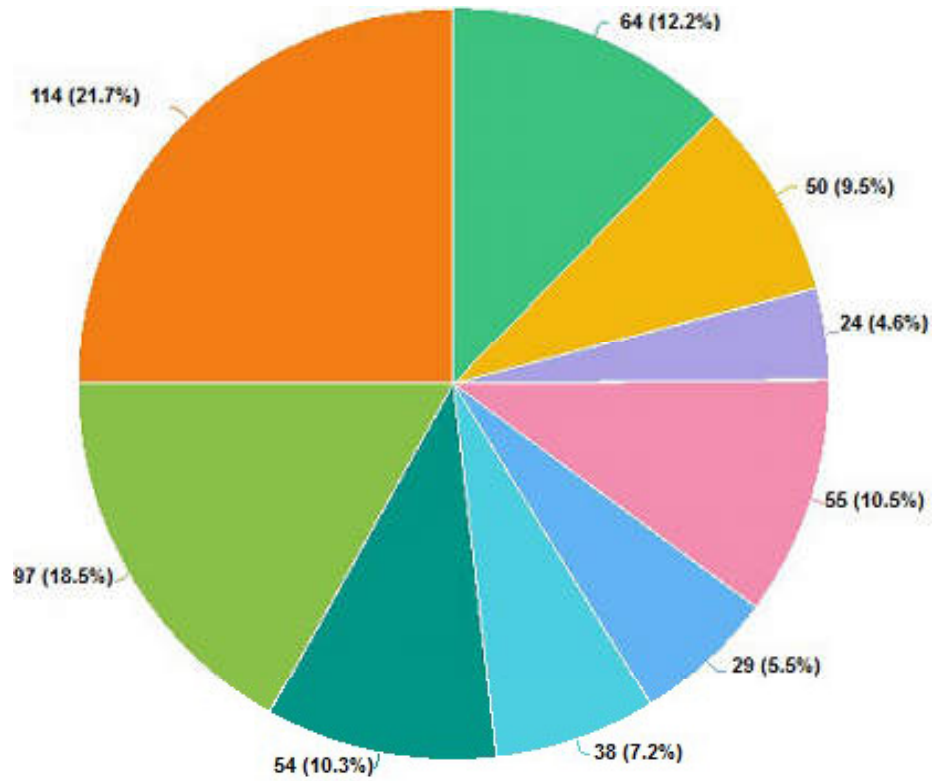
Vote on a name for the regional sports hub : Survey Report for 9 December 2020 to 29 December 2020

Q1 Shortlisted Name Votes (including duplicates from same responders) - 604 responses



Vote on a name for the regional sports hub : Survey Report for 9 December 2020 to 29 December 2020

Q1 Shortlisted Name Votes (excluding duplicates from same responders) - 525 responses



Question options

- Peramangk
- Meruwatta
- Clover
- Karra-Watta
- Mountain View
- Adelaide Hills
- Mount Barker
- Laratinga
- Summit

Attachment 2 to Item 12.1



Regional Sports Hub Naming Process

1. Purpose

The purpose of this document is to set out the process for the naming of the regional sports hub.

2. Background information

Council has a Road and Place Naming Policy (January 2020) that provides guidance on the naming of roads and public places. The regional sports hub satisfies the definition of a public place.

The naming of parks, reserves and sport facilities provides an opportunity to honour individuals and groups for contributions and achievements that deserve recognition. It also presents an opportunity to emphasise important landmarks, geographical features or history that may be more relevant.

Names identify a place and individualise it so it can be quickly and easily found — whether that's physically or in the mind. It will be spoken, written, read and heard, and as soon as the name is encountered, those who know it will know exactly what is meant.

Names evoke feelings. These feelings could be ones of excitement, inspiration, motivation, respect or belonging.

Names can build a sense of community. A well-chosen, evocative name can create a sense of community amongst those who use, work in, celebrate at or identify with the place.

To be efficient, evocative and community-oriented, the sports hub's new name needs to be:

- Unique and communicates something meaningful
- Easy to pronounce and spell
- A destination in its own right
- Representative of the community and broader region



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3. Definitions

Common name

A name:

- a) assigned to the public place using the road or street on which it is located, and/or
- b) used by more than one community of interest (for example community groups, schools, businesses, etc.), and/or
- c) referred to in local documentation (for example tourism brochures and local newsletters).

Dual name

Assigned to a public place where there is a geographical and/or topographical feature that has both a traditional Aboriginal name and an existing European name.

Formal name

A name resolved by Council, normally published in the Government Gazette and public notices.

Key Internal Stakeholder Group

A group of staff responsible for providing advice and feedback to inform an initial assessment of a formal name for the regional sports hub.

The principal members of the Key Internal Stakeholder Group (the group) will represent the following work areas:

- Communication/Engagement
- Revenue, Property and Records
- Community Assets
- Strategic Projects and Planning Policy
- Community Development
- Local History



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Proposed name

The name specified by the community during community engagement.

Recognised name

An existing name for a place, such as a formal, signed or recorded name.

Recorded name

The name by which a place is designated on a map, plan or other record.

Signed name

The name recorded on any on-site signage.

4. Name sources

The appropriate sources for place names are outlined in the *Road and Place Naming Policy*.

Preference should be given to Aboriginal names in areas where an Aboriginal name is deemed appropriate. In other locations preference should be given to historical names (such as early explorers, pioneers, and settlers, eminent persons, war/casualty lists), or names that match an identified theme for the area. The most appropriate name source(s) for each location will be identified by the Key Internal Stakeholder Group.

4.1 Criteria for assigning an Aboriginal name

Consultation with key local Aboriginal people will identify if an Aboriginal place name should/could be assigned.

Criteria 1 – the place has a common, recorded or formal place name which is Aboriginal

Criteria 2 – within or adjacent to the place there is a significant natural topographic feature

Criteria 3 – the place (or the area adjacent the place) is likely to be of significance for local Aboriginal people.



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4.2 Process for assigning an Aboriginal name

If any of the criteria in 4.1 are met, we will investigate if there is an existing Aboriginal name for the place. If advised that there is no known place name, we will seek advice in writing as to an appropriate Aboriginal name.

If an Aboriginal place name is proposed via another source we will seek advice from key local Aboriginal people on the name.

4.3 Permission to proceed to community engagement

A report will be presented to 6 October Council meeting seeking approval to proceed to community engagement for formal naming of the regional sports hub. The report will include the naming procedure as an attachment.

4.4 Community engagement

The purpose of community engagement is to invite feedback on the place name options presented by the consultant and seek additional suggestions for consideration.

Community engagement will be undertaken in accordance with legislative requirements and give consideration to the following process:





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Seeking name
suggestions

4.4.1 Stage 1 – seeking name suggestions (3 week consultation period)

Establish a rsh naming page on Council's Your Say site seeking name submissions for the regional sports hub.

The page to include:

- Brief background information
- An aerial map of the site
- Consultant's suggestions
- Call to action
- Naming criteria
- Place naming policy
- Contact person
- Submission form

Naming submissions should provide key information including origin, relevance to the region and any other information which will help determine the appropriateness of the proposed name, and support the decision making process.

Where a person's name has been nominated information provided should include:

- their full name
- date of birth/death
- occupation and/or education details



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- o brief biography including: civil and community achievements, details of the contribution a person has made to the community, honours and awards received.

Promotional activities will be regionally focussed and target:

- o School newsletters
- o Relevant regional sports club newsletters
- o rsh email list
- o Facebook – Council, neighbouring Councils, relevant Facebook groups
- o Newspaper advertising
- o Media release – print and broadcast
- o Digital screens – Library/VIC
- o Website – Latest News/rsh Page
- o Leaflets – service points

Shortlisting
(Internal)

4.4.2 Stage 2 – shortlisting

Following the completion of Stage 1 – seeking name suggestions, the Internal Stakeholder Group will shortlist appropriate names using the draft Shortlisting Weighting Tool (Appendix 1) as a guide and present a report to Council seeking permission to undertake the second round of community engagement (community poll).



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Community poll

4.4.3 Stage 3 – community poll on shortlisted names (3 week period)

Up to five names will be shortlisted by the Internal Stakeholder Group and put to a community vote along with the four names recommended by consultants from On Creative.

Add a poll to the rsh naming page on Council's Your Say site seeking community votes on the shortlisted names for the regional sports hub.

Promotional activities will be regionally focussed and target:

- o School newsletters
- o Relevant regional sports club newsletters
- o rsh email list
- o Facebook – Council, neighbouring Councils, relevant Facebook groups
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4.5 Naming decision by Council

At the completion of community engagement, the feedback and engagement outcomes will be reported to Council with a recommendation for the preferred place name as determined from the community poll.



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5. Timelines

Sports Hub Naming			
Activity/Objective	Channels	Timeframe	Responsibility
Establish Key Internal Stakeholder Group	Interaction Meeting	23 September 2020	Ian Hildebrand
Key Internal Stakeholder Group: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> consider assigning an Aboriginal name review draft shortlisting criteria review draft survey and Your Say page 	Consideration Meeting	7 October 2020	Key Internal Stakeholder Group
Seek Council approval for the naming process	Consideration Council report	6 October 2020	Ian Hildebrand Greg Parker
Prepare information/promotional material	Awareness School newsletters	September/October 2020	

September 2020



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	Sports Club newsletters Facebook Newspaper advertising Media release Digital screens – Library/VIC Website – Latest News/rsh Page Leaflets – service points		Andrew Rammell/Ian Hildebrand/Kylie Norris/Paula Overy
Implement Stage 1 community engagement	Awareness Activate promotion strategy Interaction Stage 1 Community engagement	14 October 2020 – 3 November 2020	Andrew Rammell/Ian Hildebrand Key Internal Stakeholder Group
Stage 2 - Name shortlisting	Consideration Meeting	November 2020	Key Internal Stakeholder Group



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Council endorsement to proceed to Stage 3 community engagement	Consideration Council report	7 December 2020	Ian Hildebrand
Implement Stage 3 community engagement	Awareness Activate promotion strategy Interaction Stage 3 Community engagement	9 December 2020 – 29 December 2020	Key Internal Stakeholder Group
Board recommendation	Consideration Board report	January 2021	Ian Hildebrand
Council endorsement of name	Consideration Council report	18 January 2021	Ian Hildebrand
Official notifications of name	Awareness Government Gazette Public Notices	January 2021	Key Internal Stakeholder Group
Promotion of name	Awareness Sports Club newsletters Facebook Media release	January 2021	Andrew Rammell/Ian Hildebrand/Kylie Norris/Paula Overy



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	Website – Latest News/rsh Page		
Launch/Branding	Conversion Signage Opening Event – Official Announcement	February 2021	Andrew Rammell Andy Glen



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APPENDIX 1: Draft Shortlisting Weighting Tool		
PROPOSED NAME:		
Submissions that have any of the following characteristics are to be detailed in the report to Council and allocated a zero score: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Are offensive, racist, derogatory, demeaning, likely to give offence or is out of place with surrounding names; - Could be construed as advertising commercial or industrial enterprise - Where an individual has nominated themselves. 		
Scoring Matrix – Scale 0-10 where 0 = does not fit criterion and 10 = fully fits criterion		
Criteria	Score	Comment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unique and communicates something meaningful • Easy to pronounce and spell • A destination in its own right • Representative of the community and broader region 	N=0, Partial =5, Y=10	
Name is suggestive of the peculiarity of a geographical feature (e.g. shape, vegetation, etc).	N=0, Partial =5, Y=10	



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Name has historical, cultural or local significance.	N=0, Partial =5, Y=10	
Nominee has made a significant contribution to the community over a substantial period of time.	N=0, Partial =5, Y=10	
Nominee has been recognised in their field of expertise at a national level or higher.	N=0, Y=10	
The name has already been used.	N=5, Y=0	
Name is unduly long	N=5, Y=0	
Criteria satisfied	Total score x 10	
Number of submissions		



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Percent of valid nominations		
Percentage Weighting	Percentage x 10	
TOTAL SCORE		

Attachment 3 to Item 12.1**Attachment 3****Recommendation of the RSH Board to council for the name of “Mount Barker Regional Sports Hub”**

Rationale for the Board’s recommendation:

1. The name should clearly reflect the geographical location.

Hence the inclusion of “Mount Barker” whereas other names such as “Summit” can apply to many different locations.

2. The name should reflect that the facility is a regional one.

Hence the inclusion of the word “Regional”.

3. The name should also convey the purpose of the facility.

Hence the inclusion of the word “Sports” with recognition that sports doesn’t in anyway preclude other uses, including recreational (such as walking or events)

4. The name shouldn’t be too lengthy.

Hence the non-inclusion of additional words such as “Recreation” or “Park”.

5. Community recognition.

The use of “Mount Barker regional sports hub” as an informal name for an extended period of time has seen the community become familiar with this wording.

6. Peramangk

Advice from council officers was that local Peramangk elders confirmed that the site itself does not have Peramangk significance in its own right.

12.2	REPORT TITLE:	BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020 AND QUARTERLY REPORT 2 – CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM 2020/21
	DATE OF MEETING:	1 FEBRUARY 2021
	FILE NUMBER:	DOC/20/181142
	ATTACHMENTS	ATTACHMENT 1 – CAPITAL WORKS STATUS ATTACHMENT 2 - DOC/21/9552 BUDGET REVIEW 2 STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2021 AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020
	<u>Key Contact</u>	Julie Scoggins, Manager Financial Services Martin Waddington, Manager Infrastructure Delivery
	<u>Manager/Sponsor</u>	Alexander Oulianoff, Chief Financial Officer

Mount Barker 2020-2035 – Community Plan:**Leadership and Good Governance:**

LGG Strategy 1.8 Maintain organisational and budget capacity for project delivery and effective and efficient programs and services.

Annual Business Plan 2020/2021:

Impact as included in report.

Purpose:

- **Budget Review** - The purpose of the budget review as at 31 December 2020 is to provide Council, the community and other interested parties, a record of the budgeted financial activities and the financial position of the Council (including Wastewater and Recycled Water), compared to the budget review 1 budget for the year ending 30 June 2021.
- **Capital Works Program Update** - To provide an update on the approved 2020/21 Capital Works Program at the end of Quarter 2 2020/21.

Summary – Key Issues:

The Capital Works Program performance for the second quarter is as follows:

- **Program Overview** - The 2020/2021 Capital Works Program consists of 124 projects \$45.2 million following Council adoption of Budget Review 1 in November 2020 (original budget was \$43.3m).
- **Quarter 2** - \$15.6 million has been spent year to date, against a year to date Budget Review 1 of \$22.6 million.
- **Completed Projects** - 11 projects have been completed at the end of the 2nd quarter of 2020/21.

- **New projects** – 1 project has been added to the program following the award of Local Roads and Infrastructure Grants.

Budget Review 2 reflects the following changes:

- **Operating Result** – The operating result at Budget Review 2 is broadly in line with Budget Review 1 following adjustments to reflect actual performance to date and the expected impact on the full year forecast.
- **Capital Works** – The budget has been amended aligned with the capital works program performance and latest scheduling of works.

Recommendation:

That Council adopts the attached revised budget for the year ending 30 June 2021 as at 31 December 2020 (Budget Review 2).

Background:

1. Following review of Council and Executive reporting the decision was taken to combine the Budget Review and Capital Works reports so that the information can be considered together to provide the following:
 - **Capital Works Program Update** – An update on the progress/status of the capital works program in terms of what has been completed, what has progressed and how this compares to target and the delivery status of capital works for the rest of the year. This will provide further insight into the changes made at the budget review.
 - **Budget Review** – Includes the financial changes that have made to operating and the capital works budgets (both expenditure and revenue).
2. **Budget** - The budget was adopted by Council in July 2020 and the capital works program budget was subsequently updated for capital carry forwards at the year-end at the Council meeting in September and further updated as at the end of September 2020 at the November Council meeting (as detailed below):

\$'k	Adopted Budget	Capital Budget Including Carry Forwards	Budget Review 1
Budget adopted at Council Meeting	July 2020	September 2020	November 2020
Operating Surplus before capital revenue	1,755	1,755	2,968
Capital revenue for new/upgraded ass	18,976	18,976	17,821
Capital expenditure	43,326	48,050	45,172
Net (borrowing)	(12,606)	(17,329)	(13,287)

3. **Capital Works Program** - The capital works program consists primarily of planned infrastructure works, both new and renewal, that deliver on the strategic objectives outlined in the Mount Barker 2020-2035 Community Plan.

Discussion:

1. **Year To Date Financial Performance** - The operating result as at 31 December 2020 before capital revenue is an operating surplus of \$3,458k, capital expenditure of \$15,573k and a net lending of \$880k.
2. **Budget Review 2** - This report reflects performance to the second quarter of the financial year and includes an update of operating revenue and expenditure, and changes to the budgeted capital revenue and expenditure for the financial year.

\$'k	Budget Review 1	Budget Review 2	Variance
Operating Surplus before capital revenue	2,968	3,186	218
Capital revenue for new/upgraded assets	17,821	15,820	(2,001)
Capital expenditure	45,172	43,697	1,475
Net (borrowing)	(13,287)	(12,775)	512

Draft Budget Review Statement of Uniform Presentation Of Finances:

3. **Full Year Forecast** - The Draft Budget Review for the end of financial year is now forecast to be as follows (as per the Uniform Presentation of Finances (UPF)):
4. The major variances contributing to the net (borrowings) are as follows:

Operating Result:

Operating Revenue – \$0.3m or 0.6% higher than Budget Review 1 (favourable variance) – Including the following significant variance:

- a. **Statutory Charges \$252k higher than Budget Review 1 (favourable variance)** – Including a forecast increase for Development Applications of \$150k resulting from higher growth experienced in the region and Trade Waste fees \$50k.
- b. **Grants, Subsidies and Contributions \$129k higher than Budget Review 1 (favourable variance)** – Including Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Phase 2 grant of \$100k (offset by \$100k additional capital expenditure) and COVID-19 grant for Australia Day \$21k (offset by matching operating expenditure).

Operating Expenditure (\$0.1m) or (0.2%) higher than Budget Review 1 (unfavourable variance) – Including the following significant variances:

- c. **Finance Costs \$120k lower than Budget Review 1 (favourable variance)** – As a result of lower borrowings, mainly due to the timing of the capital works program.
- d. **Materials, Contracts and Other Expenses (\$239k) higher than Budget Review 1 (unfavourable variance)** – Driven by the following:
 - **Temporary Staff Costs (\$95k)** – Additional costs incurred whilst backfilling staff vacancies, and to accommodate increased work volumes i.e. staffing in the City Development area to deal with additional development applications.
 - **Other Contracts (\$167k)** – Includes (\$45k) for wastewater network and treatment plant maintenance, (\$40k) for economic development activities funded by staff vacancy savings, (\$21k) for a COVID-safe Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony (fully funded by grant income) and (\$20k) for stormwater drainage, due to the increasing size of the drainage network.
 - **Refuse Management \$60k** – Lower than anticipated costs following the completion of kerbside waste contract negotiations.

Draft Capital Expenditure & Revenue:

Capital Expenditure \$1,475k lower than budget review 1 (favourable variance) - The revised draft capital expenditure total of \$43,697k is \$1,475k lower than Budget Review 1 (as adopted on 2 November 2020)(favourable variance), and (\$371k) higher than the original (adopted) budget (unfavourable variance).

Asset Class	Adopted Budget \$'000	Approved Budget \$'000	Budget Review 1 \$'000	Budget Review 2 \$'000	Variance BR2 favourable / (unfavourable) \$'000
Bridges and Culverts	658	709	709	709	0
Buildings	1,118	1,289	1,203	1,168	35
Drainage	480	516	134	151	(17)
Footpaths	1,596	1,864	1,989	2,005	(16)
Information Technology	38	69	69	69	0
Land	100	265	255	309	(54)
Plant and Equipment	1,134	1,424	1,424	1,290	134
Recreation	14,562	16,717	16,894	15,392	1,502
Roads	6,834	7,462	8,108	8,220	(113)
Unsealed Roads	1,895	2,192	2,230	2,230	0
Wastewater	11,381	11,728	10,699	10,695	4
Recycled Water	3,530	3,815	1,460	1,460	0
Total	43,326	48,050	45,172	43,697	1,475

The key drivers for the \$1,475k reduction in this year's capital works program (compared to Budget Review 1) are:

- i. **Deferred/Partially Deferred Projects \$592k lower than budget review 1 (favourable variance)** – Includes rescheduled works for: Hahndorf Academy Structural Repairs \$45k, Purchase of 8 Tonne Compactor \$134k, Littlehampton Greening \$200k, Hahndorf Tennis Club Court Contribution \$100k, Macclesfield Tennis Club Contribution \$50k (due to grant outcomes to partners not known), and the Miels Park Storage Shed \$80k.
- ii. **Previous Decisions Of Council (\$50k) higher than budget review 1 (unfavourable variance)** – City Centre Catalyst was allocated (\$50k) at the November 2020 Council meeting.
- iii. **Change of Scope (rsh) \$1,146k lower than budget review 1 (favourable variance)** - Following the amendment and execution of a funding agreement in October with Football Federation SA (FFSA) whereby the supply and installation of soccer pitches will be undertaken by FFSA.
- iv. **Other (\$100k) higher than budget Review 1 (unfavourable variance)** – Following confirmation of additional Local Roads and Infrastructure Grants funding.

Capital Revenue (\$2,001k) lower than budget review 1 (unfavourable variance) The key driver for the reduction for this year's capital revenue is:

- i. **Recognition of Project Delivery (\$1,939k)** – Following the change in accounting standards for revenue recognition the changes have been made at Budget Review 2 in recognition of funds received in prior years assuming that no further funds will be received in advance in this financial year. The majority of this adjustment, \$1,646k relates to Regional Sports Hub grant funding received in prior years.

Draft Budget Review Financial Indicators

5. A comparison of the draft budget review key financial indicators, which measure the financial sustainability and performance of Council, is 0.37% higher than Budget Review 1 for operating and 3.28% lower than Budget Review 1 for net financial liabilities and 0.98% lower than Budget Review 1 for the asset renewal funding ratio.

Financial Indicator	Budget Review 1	Budget Review 2	Target
Operating surplus ratio	5.61%	5.98%	> or equal to 1.0%
Net financial liabilities ratio	47.89%	44.61%	0 - 80%
Asset renewal funding ratio	75.59%	74.61%	100% +

Draft Budget Loan Funded Borrowings:

The loan funded borrowings of \$23,087k forecast for the year-end at Budget Review 2 are \$2,931k lower than Budget Review 1 of \$26,018k (favourable variance).

Capital Works Program Performance:

6. **Expenditure To Date** - As at 31 December 2020, \$15.6m has been spent year to date against a year to date budget review 1 budget of \$22.6m. The key drivers for this variance are:
- **Retiming of regional sports hub stage 1 works \$2.5m;** and
 - **Rescheduling of roads projects \$2.3m** - Including Springs Road Stages 3 and 4 were delayed, and are scheduled to be completed in early 2021, and the Sealed Roads Renewal Program was delayed due to contractor unavailability.
7. **Completed Projects** - 11 projects were completed by the end of quarter 2 with 4 completed in during the quarter.
8. **Covid – 19, government stimulus and the effects on resourcing** – Government stimulus funding has had an impact on the availability of contractors to undertake works in required timescales in the local market. This has led to delays to the commencement on a number of projects. In response officers are pursuing alternative procurement methodologies. These include splitting projects up into various disciplines and engaging smaller local contractors to service each discipline.

Community Engagement:

Informing only	The budget is available on Council's website
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Policy:

The Annual Business Plan assesses the financial requirements of the Council for the financial year and sets out a summary of its proposed operating expenditure, capital expenditure and sources of revenue and takes into account Council's long-term financial plan.

Long Term Financial Plan:

The Long Term Financial Plan 2020-2030 (LTFP) provides for borrowings to meet cash flow requirements.

Budget:

This is the second budget review for the 2020/21 financial year as at 31 December 2020.

The Net (Borrowing) will be decreased by \$512k to (\$12,775k) compared to the adopted Budget Review 1 position.

The forecast cash position of \$1,000k is in line with the Budget Review 1.

The loan funded borrowings of \$23,087k forecast for the year-end at Budget Review 2 are \$2,931 lower than Budget Review 1 position of \$26,018k (favourable variance).

Statutory/Legal:

The *Local Government Financial Regulations 2011* Part 2 Section 9 requires Council to reconsider its budget at least three times between 31 December and the 31 May.

Staff Resource Requirements:

As per budget/strategic plan – no comment applicable to this report.

Environmental:

As per budget/strategic plan – no comment applicable to this report.

Social:

As per budget/strategic plan – no comment applicable to this report.

Risk Assessment:

The *Local Government Act 1999* requires that Council assesses the financial requirements of the Council for the financial year and sets out a summary of its proposed operating expenditure, capital expenditure and sources of revenue and takes into account the Council's long-term financial plan and relevant issues relating to the management and development of infrastructure and major assets by the Council.

Asset Management:

The Annual Estimates address issues relating to the management and development of infrastructure and major assets of Council.

Conclusion:

Budget Review 2 - It is a legislative requirement that Council reconsiders its budget at regular intervals during the year. The budget assesses the financial requirements of Council for the financial year, it provides stability and certainty of financial outcomes and ensures continuation of delivery of essential community services and the efficient operation of infrastructure while maintaining a sound financial position.

Capital Works Program - The 2020/21 Capital Works Program is a significant undertaking by Council. The program has recently been significantly affected by increased pressure from stimulus funding adding projects into the years program during the year. This is a challenge that must be addressed with agility to ensure the successful delivery of the program. The program is constantly being reviewed and in cases projects have been brought forward from future years will be to capitalise on the grant opportunities.

Previous Decisions By/Information Reports to Council

Meeting Date	2 November 2020	HPRM Reference	DOC/20/142854
Title	BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER AND QUARTERLY REPORT 1 – CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM 2020/21		
Purpose	To provide Council, the community and other interested parties, a record of the budgeted financial activities and the financial position of the Council, compared to the adopted annual budget for the year ending 30 June 2021 and to provide an update on the approved 2020/21 Capital Works Program at the end of Quarter 1 2020/21.		

Meeting Date	7 September 2020	HPRM Reference	DOC/20/110593
Title	CARRY FORWARD 2019/20 CAPITAL WORKS IN PROGRESS BUDGETS		
Purpose	To provide the Council with details of the capital works in progress for the financial year ending 30 June 2020 to be carried forward to the 2020/21 budget.		

Meeting Date	6 July 2020	HPRM Reference	DOC/20/75706
Title	DRAFT : 2020-21 ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN, BUDGET AND RATING POLICY FOR ADOPTION		
Purpose	To provide the Council with the 2020-21 Draft Annual Business Plan, Budget and Rating Policy for adoption.		

ATTACHMENT 1 – CAPITAL WORKS STATUS REPORT (Q2 2020/21)**Completed Projects:**

- **Hahndorf Soccer Club Lighting** – Completed and commissioned in Q2 bringing with it a welcome opportunity for users to use the pitch to its full potential.
- **Callington Recreation Community Facility Renewal** - Is complete from Council's obligations (financial commitment), however, the building is expected to be physically completed in February 2021.

Projects in Progress:

- **Hahndorf Academy** – The cellar has been completed as well as the rebuilding of the historic wall which contained historical inscriptions on the old stone work. Each stone was painstakingly removed and catalogued and replaced on new footings in their original position and orientation. The landscaping component of the project was approaching completion at end of Q2.
- **Baker Street to Old Princes Highway Littlehampton Stormwater Drainage Upgrade** - Design is complete. The existing pipe has been cleansed and root intrusions removed providing good serviceability while awaiting replacement and upgrade. Construction will occur in 2021/22.
- **Childs Road Shared Path** – Civil designs are nearing completion. Delivery of the path will occur this financial year and any road upgrades will be considered in future years subject to timing with the adjacent development.
- **Footpath Renewal** - Program of works has commenced with Woodside Road Nairne largely completed awaiting works by Telstra. Other footpaths in Nairne in the vicinity of the old Chapmans factory site will follow in Q3 as well as other footpaths in Hahndorf, Echunga and Mount Barker.
- **Regional sports hub (stage 1)** - Is close to completion at the end of Q2. The synthetic soccer pitches and the oval lights which are being undertaken by Greenplay and are expected to be complete by early to mid-February 2021.
- **Nairne Village Green (stage 1)** - The design of Nairne Village Green has concluded. Tender was issued in October and a contract was awarded. Construction is to commence in February 2021 with completion planned for 2021/22.
- **Regional Nature Play** - Design continues with revised program report to Council due in April 2021.
- **Springs Road Wetlands** – Planting in front of the ESC is complete with numerous native shrubs being established. Installation of seating and other furniture will be delivered over the coming months as well as the sealing of the adjacent carpark in conjunction with the ESC access road.

- **Hahndorf Oval Switchboard** - Has now been installed which will enable each user to be separately metered with individual 100A 'whole current' meters. The board is in place and awaiting final approvals from SA Power Networks prior to energising by the power company.
- **Harrogate Road** - The design of the last unsealed section of Harrogate Road, from the Nairne approach, will be finalised in Q3 with preliminary works such as tree removals to occur towards the end of the financial year and balance of construction to occur in 2021/22.
- **Environmental Service Centre (ESC) Access Road** - Is currently being redesigned through a value management process. The road, carpark and intersection with Springs is expected to commence in the coming months subject to confirmation of cost which is being negotiated with the Springs Rd contractor under a schedule of rates arrangement.
- **Springs Road (Stage 3)** - Largely completed with the exception of line marking and the installation of guard rail which will be completed at the same time as like works in Stage 4.
- **Springs Road (Stage 4)** - Reconstruction was well under way at end of Q2. Practical completion is expected to be reached by mid-February including the installation of line marking and guard rails.
- **Road Reseal Program** - Patching work has commenced, full bitumen resealing works commencing in March 2021.
- **Mount Barker Caravan & Tourist Park** - Cabin renewal, replacement of power heads and other minor improvements continue on track.
- **Bridge Renewal** - Scour protection works at Gawler Street Bridge (Mount Barker), Military Road (Brukunga) and Field Road bridge (Echunga) to commence in Q4.
- **Culvert Renewal** - Culverts on Summit Road and Hawthorn Road will be renewed in Q4.
- **Bremer River Bridge** - The new pedestrian bridge across the Bremer River at Callington continues to be planned and designed. Construction is expected to occur in 2021/22 in conjunction with the Rural City of Murray Bridge and is the subject of grant funding (refer separate item in this agenda).
- **Wellington Road (east of Long Valley Rd)** - Construction of shoulder widening will commence on the first stage following tender issue in January 2021.

Attachment 2 to Item 12.2



MOUNT BARKER
DISTRICT COUNCIL

Budgeted Financial Statements

for the Period ended 31 December 2020

Mount Barker District Council

Statement of Comprehensive Income
for the Period ended 31 December 2020

		YTD	Budget	Budget	DRAFT Budget
2020	\$ '000	2021	2021	Review One	Review Two
				2021	2021
Income					
41 918	Rates Revenues	21 864	43 723	43 800	43 800
1 531	Statutory Charges	1 001	1 453	1 453	1 705
2 613	User Charges	1 010	1 609	1 745	1 745
3 043	Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	1 734	3 522	5 175	5 304
136	Investment Income	34	60	60	40
440	Reimbursements	118	252	252	235
464	Other Income	133	385	383	375
69	Net Gain - Equity Accounted Council Businesses		57	57	57
50 215	Total Income	25 894	51 061	52 924	53 261
Expenses					
15 826	Employee Costs	7 548	16 275	16 275	16 275
21 656	Materials, Contracts & Other Expenses	9 356	22 153	21 930	22 169
11 121	Depreciation, Amortisation & Impairment	5 368	9 989	10 826	10 826
368	Finance Costs	164	890	926	806
48 971	Total Expenses	22 435	49 306	49 956	50 075
1 244	Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	3 458	1 755	2 968	3 186
(1 297)	Asset Disposal & Fair Value Adjustments	(24)	(3 914)	(3 914)	(3 914)
7 417	Amounts Received Specifically for New or Upgraded Assets	8 059	18 976	17 821	17 759
33 017	Physical Resources Received Free of Charge	3 881	9 912	9 912	9 912
40 381	Net Surplus / (Deficit)	15 373	26 728	26 787	26 943

Mount Barker District Council

Statement of Financial Position
for the Period ended 31 December 2020

			Budget	Budget	DRAFT Budget
2020	\$ '000	2021	2021	Review One	Review Two
				2021	2021
ASSETS					
Current Assets					
3 858	Cash & Cash Equivalents	3 686	1 000	1 000	1 000
6 053	Trade & Other Receivables	25 409	6 091	6 091	6 091
6	Inventories	11	7	7	7
9 917	Subtotal	29 106	7 098	7 098	7 098
2 783	Non-Current Assets Held for Sale	2 223	2 223	2 223	2 223
12 700	Total Current Assets	31 329	9 321	9 321	9 321
Non-Current Assets					
1 654	Financial Assets	1 654	2 750	3 000	1 650
476	Equity Accounted Investments In Council Business	476	464	533	533
565 820	Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	564 417	607 179	611 520	610 094
12 318	Other Non-Current Assets	27 320	6 383	6 383	6 383
567 950	Total Non-Current Assets	566 548	610 393	615 052	612 277
592 968	TOTAL ASSETS	625 197	626 097	630 756	627 981
LIABILITIES					
Current Liabilities					
11 747	Trade & Other Payables	27 989	6 728	6 728	6 728
1 838	Borrowings	918	2 377	2 377	915
2 249	Provisions	2 278	2 285	2 285	2 285
15 834	Total Current Liabilities	31 185	11 390	11 390	9 928
Non-Current Liabilities					
8 313	Non Current Borrowings	9 817	26 596	23 641	22 172
287	Non Current Provisions	287	403	403	403
8 600	Total Non-Current Liabilities	10 104	26 999	24 043	22 575
24 434	TOTAL LIABILITIES	41 289	38 389	35 434	32 503
568 535	Net Assets	583 908	587 708	595 322	595 478
EQUITY					
251 083	Accumulated Surplus	266 457	270 838	277 871	278 027
298 224	Asset Revaluation Reserves	298 224	294 984	298 224	298 224
19 227	Other Reserves	19 227	21 886	19 227	19 227
568 535	Total Council Equity	583 908	587 708	595 322	595 478

Mount Barker District Council

Statement of Cash Flows

for the Period ended 31 December 2020

2020	\$ '000	2021	Budget 2021	Budget Review One 2021	DRAFT Budget Review Two 2021
Cash Flows from Operating Activities					
Receipts					
48 363	Operating Receipts	27 996	49 076	49 135	50 871
136	Investment receipts	34	57	60	40
Payments					
(37 159)	Operating payment to suppliers & employees	(20 677)	(37 606)	(38 877)	(39 117)
(344)	Finance payment	(164)	(890)	(926)	(806)
10 996	Net Cash provided by (or used in) Operating Activities	7 190	10 637	9 392	10 989
Cash Flows from Investing Activities					
Receipts					
10 101	Amounts Specifically for New or Upgraded Assets	6 609	18 976	17 821	15 820
321	Proceeds from Sale of Replaced Assets	180		270	270
39	Proceeds from Sale of Surplus Assets	837		310	820
4	Repayment of Loans by Community Groups			4	4
Payments					
(6 800)	Expenditure on Renewal/Replacement of Assets	(2 612)	(13 320)	(10 339)	(10 208)
(19 372)	Expenditure on New/Upgraded Assets	(12 961)	(30 006)	(34 834)	(33 489)
(150)	Loans Made to Community Groups		(1 100)	(1 350)	
(15 856)	Net Cash provided by (or used in) Investing Activities	(7 946)	(25 450)	(28 117)	(26 783)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities					
Receipts					
1 536	Proceeds from Borrowings	2 055	14 583	17 095	15 373
Payments					
(843)	Repayment of Borrowings	(1 166)	(229)	(1 229)	(1 780)
(11)	Repayment of Bonds & Deposits				
(641)	Repayment of Lease Liabilities	(305)			(657)
41	Net Cash provided by (or used in) Financing Activities	584	14 354	15 866	12 936
(4 820)	Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash Held	(172)	(459)	(2 858)	(2 858)
8 678	Cash & Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period	3 858	1 459	3 858	3 858
3 858	Cash & Cash Equivalents at end of period	3 686	1 000	1 000	1 000

Mount Barker District Council

Statement of Changes in Equity

DRAFT Budget Review Two
for the year ended 30 June 2021

\$ '000	Accumulated Surplus	Asset Revaluation Reserve	Other Reserves	Total Equity
Balance at end of previous reporting period	251 083	298 224	19 227	568 535
Net Surplus / (Deficit) for Year	26 943			26 943
Total Comprehensive Income	26 943			26 943
Balance at the end of period	278 027	298 224	19 227	595 478

Mount Barker District Council

Notes to and forming part of the Financial
Statements

for the Period ended 31 December 2020

Financial Indicators

		DRAFT Budget Review Two 2021	Budget 2021	Budget Review One 2021	DRAFT Budget Review Two 2021
2020	\$ '000				

These Financial Indicators have been calculated in accordance with Information paper 9 - Local Government Financial Indicators prepared as part of the LGA Financial Sustainability Program for the Local Government Association of South Australia.

1. Operating Surplus Ratio

2.48%	Operating Surplus	3 186	3.44%	5.61%	5.98%
	Total Operating Revenue	53 261			

This ratio expresses the operating surplus as a percentage of total operating revenue

2. Net Financial Liabilities Ratio

25.63%	Net Financial Liabilities	23 762	55.91%	47.89%	44.61%
	Total Operating Revenue	53 261			

Net Financial Liabilities are defined as total liabilities less financial assets (excluding equity accounted investments in Council businesses). These are expressed as a percentage of total operating revenue.

3. Asset Renewal Funding Ratio

77.20%	Net Asset Renewals	9 938	100.00%	75.59%	74.61%
	Infrastructure & Asset Management Plan required expenditure	13 320			

Net asset renewals expenditure is defined as net capital expenditure on the renewal and replacement of existing assets and excludes new capital expenditure on the acquisition of additional assets

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Uniform Presentation of Finances

			Budget	DRAFT Budget
			Review One	Review Two
2020	\$ '000	2021	Budget 2021	2021
50 215	Income	25 894	51 061	52 924
(48 971)	less Expenses	(22 435)	(49 306)	(49 956)
1 244	Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	3 458	1 755	2 968
	less Net Outlays on Existing Assets			
	Capital Expenditure on Renewal and Replacement of			
(6 800)	Existing Assets	(2 612)	(13 320)	(10 339)
11 121	less Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment	5 368	9 989	10 826
321	less Proceeds from Sale of Replaced Assets	180	270	270
4 642	Subtotal	2 936	(3 331)	757
	less Net Outlays on New and Upgraded Assets			
(19 372)	Capital Expenditure on New and Upgraded Assets	(12 961)	(30 006)	(34 834)
	less Amounts Received Specifically for New and			
10 101	Upgraded Assets	6 609	18 976	17 821
39	less Proceeds from Sale of Surplus Assets	837		15 820
(9 232)	Subtotal	(5 514)	(11 030)	(17 012)
(3 346)	Net Lending / (Borrowing) for Financial Year	880	(12 606)	(13 287)
				(12 775)

Mount Barker District Council

Capital Expenditure

for the Period ended 31 December 2020

\$ '000	YTD 2021	Budget 2021	Budget Review One 2021	DRAFT Budget Review Two 2021
Grand Total	15 573	43 326	45 172	43 697
Capital Renewal				
Bridges & Culverts	19	608	659	659
Buildings Asset	502	772	943	908
Drainage Asset	1	200	100	100
Footpaths	25	600	724	724
Plant & Equipment	523	1 038	1 358	1 358
Recreational Assets	2	310	405	284
Recycled Water		50	50	50
Roads	613	2 987	3 495	3 524
Unsealed Roads	863	1 895	2 230	2 230
Wastewater	64	4 860	375	371
Total Capital Renewal	2 612	13 320	10 339	10 208
New Capital				
Bridges & Culverts	3	50	50	50
Buildings Asset		346	260	260
Drainage Asset	24	280	34	51
Footpaths	325	996	1 265	1 281
Land Assets	204	100	255	309
Plant & Equipment		134	134	
Recreational Assets	9 930	14 252	16 489	15 108
Recycled Water	54	3 480	1 410	1 410
Roads	957	3 847	4 613	4 696
Unsealed Roads				
Wastewater	1 463	6 521	10 324	10 324
Total New Capital	12 961	30 006	34 834	33 489

12.3	REPORT TITLE:	ROADS TO RECOVERY SEALING UNSEALED ROADS PROGRAM - RECISSION OF TENDER AWARD AND ALTERNATIVE DELIVERY ARRANGEMENTS
	DATE OF MEETING:	1 FEBRUARY 2021
	FILE NUMBER:	DOC/21/9651
	ATTACHMENTS:	NIL
	<u>Key Contact</u>	Dan Caddy, Project Manager, Infrastructure Delivery
	<u>Manager/Sponsor</u>	Phil Burton, General Manager Infrastructure

Community Plan 2020-2035:

Community Wellbeing

CW Objective 5.3 Apply a strategic, planned and consistent approach to the provision, development and maintenance of roads and footpaths

Annual Business Plan 2020/2021:

The Annual Business plan is in support of the Roads to Recovery Program under the Urban Environment. Capital Project for Roads to Recovery (R2R) WO: 2995

Purpose:

To rescind decision OM20201207.06 from the Meeting of Council, 7 December 2020 and note an alternate approach to deliver the sealing unsealed roads program funded by Roads to Recovery (R2R).

Summary – Key Issues:

1. Council delivers an annual program of sealing unsealed roads utilising the Federal Government's Roads to Recovery (R2R) fund and has an overall project budget of \$742,382 for this program in 2020/21.
2. Following Council's decision at its meeting on 7 December 2020 to award a contract to Diverse Civil to carry out roads sealing works, the contractor has now advised that they are no longer in a position to fulfil their full contract obligations despite numerous attempts to negotiate with them.
3. As a consequence, Council staff have sought other suitable alternatives to deliver the full scope of works for 2020/21 to ensure that benefits can be delivered to the community in accordance with expectations.

Recommendation:

That Council:

1. rescind the decision OM202012.07.06 of 7 December 2020 ‘Roads to Recovery Funding Program and Contract Award’ as printed in italics immediately below due to Diverse Civil and Commercial Projects subsequently advising that they are no longer in a position to deliver what they provided in their tender submission:

That Council:

- 1. Authorises the award of the contract 2020.030 for Roads to Recovery Program to Diverse Civil and Commercial Projects (“Preferred Tenderer”) at the Preferred Tenderer’s tendered schedule of rates, for the 2020/21 program and then two additional terms of 12 months each for the 2021/22 and 2022/23 financial years, subject to satisfactory annual review being undertaken.*
 - 2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or his delegated officer being the General Manager Infrastructure to finalise and execute contract documents between Council and the Preferred Tenderer, including the annual reviews and contract extensions.*
 - 3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or his delegate being the General Manager Infrastructure to approve additional justified expenditure during the contract within the approved project budget.*
2. Note that the balance of works within this Program for 2020/21 will now be issued to other suitable contractors under existing financial delegations to officers and all further works for this Program i.e. for 2021/22 and 2022/23 will be the subject of a new tender process.

Background:

1. Roads to Recovery (R2R) is a 100% Federally funded program which has historically been used to fund the sealing of unsealed roads in the township areas of the Council district. The Federal Government has committed funds until the 2023/24 financial year.
2. This program has delivered multiple benefits to the community including a consistent service standard for township roads, reduced maintenance, improved road safety and enhanced wellbeing for residents.
3. Over the past three years the R2R program has funded a total of \$3.6m to improve the level of service of township roads in Mount Barker, Hahndorf,

Meadows, Macclesfield, Echunga, Nairne, Hahndorf, Littlehampton, Callington, Kanmantoo and Dawesley.

4. The list of roads identified below forms the scope for the 2020/21 year:
 - Leonard Road, Hahndorf (excluding the middle section which will remain unsealed)
 - Yantaringa Road, Paechtown
 - Paechtown Road, Paechtown
 - Morning Star Road, Wistow
5. A tender for these works, and other works of a similar nature, was released in Q1 of 2020/21. The tender received a poor response from the market and it was chosen to re-tender with a refined scope of works to make it more appealing to the market.
6. A second tender for a three year program of works, focussed on just R2R funded works, was issued in late 2020 and Diverse Civil was assessed to be the preferred tenderer with a contract approved to be awarded at Council's meeting on 7 December 2020.
7. Diverse Civil subsequently advised that they are no longer in a position to satisfy the requirements of the contract as tendered in terms of scope of works, required methodology and timeframes.

Discussion:

8. Alternative delivery arrangements have now been explored to deliver the original scope of works which includes profiling, laying bitumen, civil works and line marking.
9. A variety of locally based contractors will now be engaged to deliver the program of works for 2020/21. Future works will be the subject of a another tender process.
10. The value of works assigned to various contractors will fall within existing staff delegation limits and does not require approval by Council.

Community Engagement:

Informing only	Council minutes with agreed program to be held on the councils web site. Website updates and Facebook posts will also be used to inform the public of progress. Landholders directly affected have been and will continue to be contacted directly.
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Policy:

The tender process and the subsequent process detailed in this report to award works are in accordance with Council's Procurement Policy and associated procedures.

Long Term Financial Plan:

These works are consistent with the adopted Long Term Financial Plan.

Budget:

This program of work is 100% Federally funded through the Roads to Recovery program and the contracted works will be within the revised budget allocation of \$742,382 for 2020/21.

Statutory/Legal:

The scope of works complies with the current R2R program grant funding requirements set by the Federal Government.

Staff Resource Requirements:

This program will be managed internally by Council staff within existing resources. Specialist external support as necessary from consulting engineers to produce detailed design documentation. Internal project management costs are capitalised against each project and included in the budget.

Environmental:

The successful contractor must provide an Environmental Management Plan for approval prior to the start of construction.

Social:

Customers will see an increased level of service to the local road network and this will improve the overall wellbeing of the local community.

Risk Assessment:

Program construction risks have been assessed and documented with the contingency amount calculated to offset these risks. As a result of the extended procurement phase, works will be starting later than planned which will result in some works extending into the winter period and a risk for some of the works to be carried forward to next financial year. The successful contractors are required to effectively manage traffic movements for local residents throughout construction.

Asset Management:

The R2R program will raise the service level of the roads reconstructed which will result in higher renewal costs and increased depreciation. This will be offset by reduced ongoing unsealed road maintenance and associated costs. Asset plans will be updated to reflect this change.

Conclusion:

Diverse Civil are no longer able to fulfil the full requirements of the tendered Roads to Recovery program for 2020/21 and as a consequence an alternate delivery approach is required using suitable local contractors to complete the works as planned.

Previous Decisions By Council

Meeting Date	5 November 2018	HPRM Reference	DOC/18/111399
Title	ROADS TO RECOVERY PROGRAM 2018/19 TENDER AWARD		
Purpose	To gain Council's authority to award contract 2018.026 2018/19 Roads to Recovery Program to Diverse Civil and Commercial Projects ("Preferred Tenderer").		

Meeting Date	3 February 2020	HPRM Reference	DOC/19/161008
Title	ROAD SEALING PROGRAM 2019/2020		
Purpose	To gain Council's authority to award contract 2019.043, Road Sealing Program 2019/2020 to Metro and Country Civil Pty Ltd ("Preferred Tenderer").		

Meeting Date	7 December 2020	HPRM Reference	DOC/20/156925
Title	ROADS TO RECOVERY FUNDING PROGRAM AND CONTRACT AWARD		
Purpose	To gain Council's authority to award the first year of a three (3) year contract 2020.030, Road to Recovery program 2020/21 to Diverse Civil ("Preferred Tenderer") at their tendered schedule of rates (SOR). Furthermore, delegate contract renewal approval to the Chief Executive Officer or his delegated officer for the remaining two (2) years on a one plus one year basis pending a satisfactory review of performance.		

12.4	REPORT TITLE:	SUPPLY OF LIMESTONE QUARRY RUBBLE CONTRACT AWARD
	DATE OF MEETING:	1 FEBRUARY 2021
	FILE NUMBER:	DOC/21/6190
	ATTACHMENTS:	NIL
	<u>Key Contact</u>	Scott Thompson, Team Leader Civil , Maintenance and Operations
	<u>Manager/Sponsor</u>	Phil Burton, General Manager Infrastructure

Community Plan 2020-2035:

Community Wellbeing

CW Objective 5.3 Apply a strategic, planned and consistent approach to the provision, development and maintenance of roads and footpaths

Annual Business Plan:

Upgrade and maintain road, bridge, footpath, trail and stormwater assets.

Purpose:

For Council to award tender 2020.029 Supply of Limestone Rubble to Goolwa Quarries Pty Ltd as a schedule of rates contract, for the purpose of supplying limestone rubble for Council works, including the Capital Unsealed Roads Re-sheeting.

Summary – Key Issues:

- Council's previous contract with Goolwa Quarries for the supply of quarry rubble material expired on the 17th December 2020 and is currently under an extension until a new contract is established.
- An open tender process managed by the Adelaide Hills Council, in partnership with the Mount Barker District Council and the Rural City of Murray Bridge, to secure a suitable supplier of limestone rubble for Council road works, has now been completed.
- Goolwa Quarries has been identified as the preferred tenderer and it is recommended that a new contract be awarded to them for three years with an option to renew for a further two terms of 12 months each, at the sole discretion of Council

Recommendation:

That Council:

1. Approves the award of tender 2020.029 – Supply of Limestone Rubble to Goolwa Quarries Pty Ltd on a schedule of rates basis, for a three (3) year term (commencing 1 February 2021) and notes it may be extended for a

further two terms for the duration of twelve months each at the sole discretion of the Council.

2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or his delegate being the General Manager Infrastructure to execute the relevant contract documents.
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Background:

1. The previous contract with Goolwa Quarries for the supply of limestone rubble has recently expired.
2. In accordance with Council's Procurement Policy (the Policy), an open tender process has been undertaken for the supply of this material to support Council's ongoing unsealed road maintenance and re-sheeting programs. The Policy encourages strategic alliances with other Councils.
3. Mount Barker District Council (MBDC), Adelaide Hills Councils (AHC), and the Rural City of Murray Bridge (RCMB) have jointly participated in this tender process.
4. Each Council will have their own agreement directly with the supplier.
5. On average for the next three years, it is anticipated that MBDC will purchase between 60,000 and 80,000 tonne per annum under this contract. This equates to an estimated annual expenditure of up to \$1 million on quarry rubble materials.
6. The contract is not an exclusive arrangement and the Council may, at its discretion, engage other suppliers for the required materials.

Procurement Strategy

7. The tender sought a three (3) year term, to terminate on the 31 December 2023 with the option to extend by a further two terms, each for the duration of 12 months, at the sole discretion of the Council.

Tender Process

8. Pursuant to Council's Procurement Policy an open market tender was sought to secure a suitably qualified contractor to undertake the works.
9. The request for tender ("RFT") was issued by Adelaide Hills Council. Three (3) conforming tenders were received.

Evaluation Overview

10. The evaluation process comprised of assessment of the following qualitative criteria with pre-determined weightings as shown below:
 - a. Pricing / Schedule of Rates (55%)
 - b. Management Capability (10%)
 - c. Quality & Timing of Supply (10%)
 - d. Local business support (20%)
 - e. Recycled Content / Circular Procurement (5%)
11. The tenders were evaluated by a panel consisting of representatives from all participating Councils.
12. Post tender clarifications were sought from tenderers, particularly around capacity to supply and load rubble throughout the year. Given the total volume of material required under this tender for all Councils, it was imperative to ensure there was proven capacity to supply materials during peak times.

Basis of Decision

13. On the basis if the agreed evaluation criteria, Goolwa Quarries Pty Ltd were selected as the preferred tenderer for the supply of limestone rubble for the following reasons:
 - a. Proven experience in supplying quality limestone rubble to Council specification, which is evident from the high quality re-sheeting outcomes for the 2019/20 re-sheeting program.
 - b. Proven ability to meet the supply and loading requirements of all councils.
 - c. Local South Australian Company based just outside of the Mount Barker Council district.
 - d. Suitably implemented and maintained management plans to minimise contamination risks of Phytophthora. These measures, as well as the partnership approach with the Councils under the previous contract was recently awarded the Excellence in Project Innovation Award for 2020 by IPWEA SA. This demonstrates a high level of compliance to the specification which requests that all materials shall be produced under certified management plans and testing regimes so to ensure that it is free from Mineral and Pathogen based contaminants.

Policy:

The tender process has been undertaken in accordance with Council's Procurement Policy and associated procedures.

Long Term Financial Plan:

These materials will be used for works that are included in the Long Term Financial Plan as adopted by Council in December 2020.

Budget:

This contract is a schedule of rates that is largely consistent with those used to develop the 2020/21 and proposed 2021/22 budget. On this basis there is deemed to be adequate budget in 2020/21 to deliver on planned works.

Statutory/Legal:

Council has undertaken a competitive tendering process in accordance with its procurement policy. A formal contract will be executed between Council and the supplier.

Staff Resource Requirements:

Management of this contract will be undertaken by existing internal resources.

Environmental:

Goolwa Quarries holds a current EPA Environmental licence over the mining area and currently have a management plan in place for the treatment of Phytophthora.

Social:

The supply of quarry rubble to complete Council's planned road works program will have positive social outcomes for the community.

Risk Assessment:

In accordance with Council's procurement policies, the preferred tenderer has satisfactorily addressed areas of known risk e.g. WHS, public liability, financial, etc. The contract is not exclusive which means that Council may engage other suppliers for the specified materials.

Asset Management:

This contract will support and is aligned with the implementation of Council's adopted Strategic Asset Management Plan.

Conclusion:

It is recommended that Goolwa Quarries be awarded the tender for supply of quarry materials based on past performance, quality of product and ability to meet demand at an acceptable price.

12.5	REPORT TITLE:	PERIODICAL ELECTOR REPRESENTATION REVIEW – DRAFT OPTIONS PAPER FOR COMMUNITY CONSULTATION
	DATE OF MEETING:	1 FEBRUARY 2021
	FILE NUMBER:	DOC/21/11289
	ATTACHMENTS:	1. REPRESENTATION REVIEW STEPS 2. DOC/21/13178 – DRAFT REPRESENTATION REVIEW OPTIONS PAPER (PROVIDED AS SEPARATE ATTACHMENT)
	<u>Key Contact</u>	Sue Miller, Risk & Governance Officer/EA to Mayor
	<u>Manager/Sponsor</u>	Brian Clancey Deputy CEO/General Manager – Governance, Strategic Projects and Wastewater/Recycled Water

Community Plan 2020-2035:

Leadership and Good Governance

LGG Strategy 1.1 – Attract a diverse elected body that represents, promotes and reflects the composition of the community.

LGG Strategy 1.3 – Provide opportunities for the community to access and participate in decision-making processes and fully integrate community engagement practices into Council activities.

LGG Strategy 1.4 – Enable community leadership.

Annual Business Plan:

Undertake the district wide representation review (i.e. elected member composition and ward boundaries) – page 34 of the Annual Business Plan.

Purpose:

To endorse the draft Periodical Elector Representation Review Options Paper prepared by an independent consultant for community consultation for the prescribed period of 6 weeks, and outline the steps in the process to undertake the Representation Review.

Summary – Key Issues:

1. Section 12(4) of the Local Government Act 1999 (the Act) requires Council to comprehensively review all aspects of its composition and the division/potential division of the council area into wards at least once in each relevant period, as prescribed by the Minister from time to time (approximately every eight years).
2. A Representation Review is the mechanism to undertake such a review and assesses the advantages and disadvantages of various options available for

the composition and structure of the elected Council to ensure effective and efficient governance to meet future community requirements.

3. Council's current ward structure cannot be retained because the elector ratios in the Central and South Wards breach the specified 10% quota tolerance limit prescribed under Section 33(2) of the Local Government Act 1999.

Recommendation:

That Council:

1. note the report and indicative time frame to complete the prescribed Periodical Elector Representation Review, to be completed by October 2021; and
 2. endorse the draft Periodical Elector Representation Review Options Paper (separate attachment 2) for community consultation for the legislated period of 6 weeks.
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Background:

1. A Representation Review is held to determine whether a Council community would benefit from an alteration to its composition or ward structure.
2. Section 12(4) of the Local Government Act 1999 (the Act) requires Council to comprehensively review all aspects of its composition and the division/potential division of the council area into wards at least once in each relevant period, as prescribed by the Minister from time to time (approximately every eight years).
3. The latest schedule (published in the Government Gazette on the 9 July 2020) indicates that Mount Barker District Council is required to undertake a review during the period October 2020 – October 2021. The review should address the issues of:
 - a) the principal member of Council (i.e. elected Mayor or selected Chairperson)
 - b) the composition of Council
 - c) the number of elected members required to adequately represent the community and perform the roles and responsibilities of Council
 - d) the division (or not) of the council area into wards
 - e) the number of wards
 - f) the level of representation and elector ratio within each ward
 - g) ward names; and
 - h) the Council name (if required)
4. Council last completed a review of its elector representation in 2013.

5. An independent consultant Craig Rowe & Associates has been engaged by Council to examine demographic data and prepare the Representation Review Options Paper and Representation Review Report, conduct informal gatherings/workshops with Council Members, and public consultation sessions.

Discussion:

1. Council's current ward structure cannot be retained because the elector ratios in the Central and South Wards breach the specified 10% quota tolerance limit prescribed under Section 33(2) of the Local Government Act 1999.
2. The ward quota is the number of electors (not residents) for the Council area divided by the number of Council Members for the area who represent wards.
3. A proposal relating to the formation or alteration of wards must observe the principle that the number of electors (not residents) in a ward divided by the number of Council Members for that ward does not vary from the ward quota by more than 10% at the date the proposal is finalised.
4. The definition of elector must be understood with regard to the Local Government Act 1999 s14 – Qualifications for enrolment, and s15 – The Voters Roll.
5. Alternative ward structure options must be considered with the view to identifying a structure that:
 - a. provides a more equitable balance of electors (which can be maintained, within tolerance, over the extended period between reviews)
 - b. allows for likely fluctuations in elector numbers, primarily as a consequence of future population growth and residential development; and
 - c. exhibits an elector ratio that is similar, by comparison, to that exhibited by other councils of a similar size and type (i.e. avoids over-representation).
6. An informal gathering was held Monday 23 November 2020 to introduce Council Members to Mount Barker District Council's Periodic Review of Elector Representation to be conducted during 2021.
7. The consultant, Craig Rowe of Craig Rowe & Associates, provided a broad overview of the review process and the key issues to be addressed, and afforded Council Members the opportunity to ask questions about any matter relevant to the review. This assisted with the preparation of the draft Periodic Review of Elector Representation Options Paper.

8. A second informal gathering was held Monday 18 January 2021 4.30pm – 6.15pm to provide Council Members the opportunity to discuss ward options to be presented to the community as examples of how the council area could be divided under different levels of representation to include in the draft Periodic Review of Elector Representation Options Paper at Section 8.
9. Both informal gatherings were open to the public and no decision making occurred.
10. It is a legislative requirement that the draft Periodic Review of Elector Representation Options Paper is subject to an initial 6 week public consultation period. This agenda item seeks endorsement of the separately attached draft Options Paper so that community consultation can commence.

NOTE: *At the time of publication of this agenda the Options Paper (attachment 2) was in the process of being finalised. It is anticipated the Options Paper will be available on council's website by close of business Thursday 28 January 2021.*

11. When council decision making is to occur, Council Members conflict of interest is not applicable to a Representation Review pursuant to the Local Government Act and Regulations.
12. Council must refer the final report to the Electoral Commissioner who will determine if the statutory requirements have been met and if so a certificate of compliance will be issued. The Electoral Commissioner's determination cannot be questioned.
13. A table outlining the steps in the Representation Review process is provided as attachment 1. Further explanation of the steps is provided in Section 3 of the draft Representation Review options paper (attached).
14. The review is to be completed by October 2021. As a high-level *guide only*, the following is indicative timing to undertake the Review:

February to March 2021	Undertake the initial prescribed public consultation (6 weeks) of the draft "Representations Options Paper", Examine all public submissions and prepare a Submissions Report for consideration by Council. Council to consider the 'Submissions Report' at an informal gathering/workshop and reflect on a draft preferred future composition and structure.
April 2021 to May 2021	Prepare a Representation Review Report pursuant to Sections 12/(7) & (8) of the Local Government Act with a preferred future composition and structure. Endorse Representation Review Report pursuant to Sections 12/(7) & (8) of the Local Government Act with a preferred future composition and structure for prescribed public consultation (3 weeks).

May 2021 to June 2021	Undertake the second prescribed public consultation (3 weeks) on Council's preferred future composition. Examine all public submissions and prepare a second Submissions Paper for consideration by Council. Council to hear submissions if any such requests are received.
June 2021 to September 2021	Second Submissions Paper for consideration by Council. Prepare the final Representation Review Report to the Electoral Commissioner. Endorse the final Representation Review Report. Present the final report to the Electoral Commissioner. Consult with Electoral Commission SA during the certification process.

15. The Statutes Amendment (Local Government Review) Bill 2020, which was introduced into Parliament on 17 June 2020, proposes reforms to the local government legislation, including the provisions which relate to elector representation reviews.

16. As the Local Government Review Bill 2020 is currently with the Upper House and there is uncertainty regarding timing of the introduction of any reforms should the Bill pass, current legislation is applicable to Council's representation review now underway.

Community Engagement:

Community Input is sought	Periodic Review of Elector Representation Options Paper is subject to an initial 6 week public consultation. Consultation will be promoted via Council's website, social media pages and local printed media.
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Decision to be made	As detailed in the Elector Representation Review Report.
Key factors to be considered in decision (dot points)	Aspects that are fixed: If wards are retained the ward quota should not vary by more than 10% Key areas for community input: As detailed in the Elector Representation Review Report.
Area of community influence	Council Representation
Method of consultation, informing community & cost	People will be invited to make written submissions via the following: The Representation Review Paper will be on Council's Your Say site in early February 2021 Advertisements will be placed in the: Government Gazette The Courier The Advertiser

Feedback to stakeholders/Council	Submissions will be acknowledged and an invitation extended to address Council at a future Council meeting. All who made submissions will be notified of Council's decision when it considers the matter at a future council meeting.
Timeframe for consultation	As detailed in the Elector Representation Review Report.

Policy:

NA

Long Term Financial Plan:

NIL

Budget:

The Annual Business Plan 2020/21 includes \$16,000 for the Periodical Elector Representation Review and \$6,000 is proposed for inclusion in 2021/22 Annual Business Plan to cover the cost of the independent consultant engaged and public notices.

Statutory/Legal:

Section 12(4) of the Local Government Act 1999 (the Act) requires Council to comprehensively review all aspects of its composition and the division/potential division of the council area into wards at least once in each relevant period, as prescribed by the Minister from time to time (approximately every eight years).

Any changes will come into effect at the next Local Government periodic election in November 2022.

Staff Resource Requirements:

This will be incorporated into the existing work program of the Risk and Governance Officer.

Environmental:

NA

Social:

Social impacts are covered in the attached Options Paper.

Risk Assessment:

There is a risk the acceptable tolerances for elector representation will be exceeded due to high growth within the Mount Barker township, and to a lesser extent Nairne and Littlehampton townships, and a Representation Review may be triggered before the next legislated review is scheduled (2028) due to tolerances being exceeded.

There is a risk that no feedback is received from the community. Other risks are outlined in the Options Paper.

Asset Management:

NA

Conclusion:

The latest schedule (published in the Government Gazette on the 9 July 2020) indicates that Mount Barker District Council is required to undertake a review during the period October 2020 – October 2021. Council's current ward structure cannot be retained because the elector ratios in the Central and South Wards breach the specified 10% quota tolerance limit prescribed under Section 33(2) of the Local Government Act 1999. It is a legislative requirement that a draft Periodic Review of Elector Representation Options Paper is subject to an initial 6 week public consultation period.

Previous Decisions By/Information Reports to Council

Meeting Date	18 February 2013	HPRM Reference	DOC/13/10593
Title	Elector Representation Review Report		
Purpose	To provide Council with the Elector Representation Review Report dated February 2013 for its consideration and endorsement of one option for further community consultation.		

Attachment 1 to Item 12.5

Attachment 1Timeline for Decision Making (*guide only*)

Step 1	Initiate representation review project	
Step 2	Council considers current arrangements and future options An assessment of ward quotas (if relevant) is also required to ensure quotas do not vary by more than 10% (see footnote 2).	S33(2)
Step 3	Prepare a Representation Options Paper The Representation Options Paper is to be prepared by a "qualified person" and must examine matters considered in Step 1 and Step 2.	S12(5)
Step 4	Public Notice #1 Give public notice of Representation Review, availability of Representation Options Paper and invite public submissions on the Representation Options Paper allowing a period of at least six weeks.	S12(7)
Step 5	Prepare a Representation Review Report Following careful consideration of all the options and issues, and any public submissions, Council is to prepare a report documenting its deliberations and endorsed proposal for future composition and structure. The report must contain an analysis of how the proposal relates to the principals under s.26(1)(c) and s.33 of the Act. It should also include the reasons why Council has decided not to adopt other alternatives for change as indicated in the Options Paper or suggested in the public submissions.	S12 (8a)
Step 6	Public Notice #2 Give public notice of the availability of the Representation Review Report and invite public submissions allowing a period of at least three weeks	S12(9)
Step 7	Hearing of submissions by Council or Council Committee	S12(10)
Step 8	Conduct a Poll if proposed to change the method of selection of the principal member (chairperson to mayor, or mayor to chairperson)	S12 (11a-d)
Step 9	Finalise Representation Review Report	
Step 10	Submit final Representation Review Report to the Electoral Commissioner for certification	S12 (12-21)
Step 11	Technical description of boundaries if amendments occur to internal ward boundaries	
Step 12	Gazettal of the Review outcome after certificate of compliance issued by Electoral Commissioner	S15
Step 13	Implement changes to representative structure	S18

12.6	REPORT TITLE:	GRANT FUNDING SUBMISSIONS AND PROJECT REGISTRATION
	DATE OF MEETING:	1 FEBRUARY 2021
	FILE NUMBER:	DOC/20/186073
	ATTACHMENTS:	ATTACHMENT 1, SUMMARY OF PROPOSED COUNCIL GRANT FUNDING SUBMISSIONS, DOC/20/180219 ATTACHMENT 2, OFFICE FOR RECREATION, SPORT AND RACING FUNDING SUBMISSIONS, DOC/21/11751
	<u>Key Contact</u>	Maddie Walker, Team Leader Strategic Projects and Planning Policy
	<u>Sponsor</u>	Brian Clancey, Deputy CEO/General Manager – Governance, Strategic Projects and Wastewater/Recycled Water

Community Plan 2020-2035:

Economic Prosperity Objective 3.2 Collaborate on investment in new and existing infrastructure assets to underpin a sustainable economy.

Annual Business Plan:

Key objective: prudently manage Council's finances.

Purpose:

To seek endorsement for a range of projects submitted/to be submitted to various grant funding programs and to note a registered project.

Summary – Key Issues:

1. There are currently five State / Federal Government grant funding opportunities plus an opportunity to register projects with Infrastructure SA for inclusion in their Capital Intentions Statement.
2. Through a co-ordinated approach, Council staff have aligned suitable projects with relevant grant funding programs which will assist Council in achieving one of its key strategies to effectively and efficiently deliver on its capital works program.
3. A range of council projects have been identified to be submitted across the various funding programs.

Recommendation:

That Council:

1. Endorse the process and criteria (as outlined below in point 5 under the heading of ***Process for Selection of Recommended Projects***) by which the recommended council projects have been selected.
 2. Endorse the council projects listed in **Attachments 1 and 2** for grant funding / submission and registration.
 3. Note that, as shown below, some of the Office of Recreation and Sport grant funding submissions, if successful, will commit council to expenditure in 2021/22 and that this would need to be reflected in the draft 2021/22 budget, assuming that the outcome of these submissions is made known by the State Government in March/April 2021.
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Background:

1. Five State / Federal Government grant funding opportunities have been announced including:
 - a. Local Government Infrastructure Partnership Program;
 - b. Open Space and Places for People;
 - c. Local Roads and Community Infrastructure extended program (phase 2) noting point 2 below;
 - d. Infrastructure projects through three of the Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing funding programs;
 - e. Building Better Regions Fund Round 5.
2. At its September 2020 meeting, Council endorsed the following projects for phase 1 of the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure program:
 - a. Former Polo Grounds (Community Sports Fields) amenity and safety upgrades;
 - b. Yantaringa Reserve and landscape improvements;
 - c. Echunga RSL Garden of Remembrance trail connection;
 - d. Littlehampton Main Street upgrades;
 - e. Lord Robinson Park amenity upgrades (Macclesfield); and
 - f. Stage 1 Wellington Road, Wistow upgrade.
3. A Capital Intentions Statement (CIS) has also been released by Infrastructure SA. The CIS identifies major infrastructure projects or programs which should be given specific consideration or implemented in South Australia as a priority within the next five years. Infrastructure SA recently invited registration of projects which may ultimately be included within their CIS for upcoming years.

4. Discussion on the process for selection of recommended projects (both priority and alignment/fit with the preferred grant funding program) as well as detail on what projects are proposed to be submitted to each fund is provided under the heading below.

Discussion:

Process for Selection of Recommended Projects

5. The process by which the recommended projects have been selected is outlined as follows:
 - a) A number of senior officers from across all Departments collectively comprise the Strategic Development Group (SDG).
 - b) The primary purpose of the SDG is to make recommendations to the Chief Executive Officer.
 - c) The SDG meets on a needs basis and is chaired by the Deputy CEO/General Manager, Governance and Strategic Projects.
 - d) The SDG process for grant funding opportunities is structured and involves a number of steps so as to ensure that there is ample opportunity for projects to be nominated for initial consideration and then assessed and prioritised on merit.
 - e) Assessment criteria is normally against the pre-conditions of the particular grant funding program such as the required timing for completion of construction i.e. is the project realistically achievable.
 - f) Priority setting criteria has regard to decision making that has already occurred at Council meetings e.g. adoption of the Community Plan, Annual Business Plan and Budget, Asset Management Plan, Township Plans and the Long Term Financial Plan as well as feedback from council members collectively via council meetings and informal gatherings e.g. a desire to increase expenditure on new footpaths and trails.
 - g) Other considerations are of a strategic nature e.g. submit the project that if successful would provide the highest community benefit in a financial or other (environmental/social) sense; where possible, seek to achieve a level of geographical spread across the district (relative to need); and which project is considered to be the best 'fit' for a particular funding program. This is sometimes informed by council officers speaking directly to the administrators of the particular grant funding program in order to gain further insight.

- h) Recommendations from the SDG to the Chief Executive Officer are normally made as soon as is reasonably possible and following feedback on the recommendations, the projects to be submitted are firmed up and the necessary grant funding information is then prepared. This sometimes requires external input to supplement council resources.

Local Government Infrastructure Partnership Program (LGIPP)

- 6. The LGIPP has been established by the State Government to support councils to accelerate spending on community infrastructure projects that contribute to the future economic growth of the region, or support the Government's Growth State agenda, or improve local infrastructure facilities for businesses and community organisations to enable them to grow in the future, or upgrade key community facilities.
- 7. The fund will contribute up to 50% of the total project cost with submissions closing on 29 January 2021.
- 8. Taking into account the process for project selection detailed above, the Regional Indoor Aquatic and Leisure Centre Stage 1 for \$9.35million was submitted. This is predicated on that amount being matched by council, over and above the \$15million commitment from the Federal Government. If council is successful in securing that amount from the State Government, Stage 1 will also incorporate upgrades to the adjacent heritage barns and a new adventure playground. If however the State Government grant is for a lesser amount, then the project scope will be reviewed (for example, the heritage barn / playground element being reconsidered).

Open Space and Places for People

- 9. This State Government fund provides the means for open space and public realm investment across South Australia and can include projects such as:
 - a. Development of parks, civic spaces and main streets.
 - b. Planning and urban design to guide future development.
 - c. Land purchase.
- 10. The fund will contribute up to 50% of the total project cost with applications closing 19 February 2021.
- 11. Taking into account the process for project selection detailed above, the following projects are proposed to be submitted:
 - a. Nairne Village Green (stage 2) construction for \$297.5k;
 - b. Mount Barker Town Square detailed design for \$60k, noting further opportunities to externally fund the development of the City Centre Catalyst and its associated car parking will be explored and reported to Council should the opportunity present itself.

12. It should be noted the above project costs are indicative/preliminary estimates and subject to further detailed design and costings.

Local Roads and Community Infrastructure extension (phase 2)

13. Council has received an additional offer of \$1,412,237 (ex GST) from the Federal Government. There is no requirement for council to provide matching funding or a funding contribution.
14. As with phase 1 of the program, the intended outcomes are to provide stimulus, create short-term employment opportunities and to deliver broad community benefits.
15. Under Phase 2, Council is required to maintain its overall capital spending on roads and community infrastructure, funded by their own revenue, at or above their FY20/21 capital spending level.
16. Taking into account the process for project selection detailed above, it is proposed that this funding is allocated across footpaths/pedestrian linkages and Main Street upgrades as follows:
 - a. Footpath strategy (planning and design) – district wide for \$100k;
 - b. Bremer River pedestrian bridge (50% funding will be sought from Rural City of Murray Bridge, noting they have committed to 50% of the cost of design) for \$112.5k;
 - c. Improved pedestrian linkages from Byethorne Park to Nairne Main Street for \$760k;
 - d. Improved pedestrian connectivity along the eastern side of Venables Street, Macclesfield (stage 3) for \$414.7k;
 - e. Littlehampton Main Street upgrades (minor additional works to improve pedestrian comfort in conjunction with the Littlehampton Greening project) for \$25k.
17. It should be noted the above project costs are indicative/preliminary estimates and subject to further detailed design and costings
18. It should also be noted, the new footpath strategy is the subject of an informal gathering on 1 February 2021 where funding options to deliver an extended program of works will be discussed, aligned with the adopted Long Term Financial Plan. Options will include (but not limited to) a reprioritisation or deferral of other infrastructure projects, exploration of further grant funding opportunities to offset expenditure, reduction in specific asset renewal programs and increasing the level of funds being borrowed.
19. Revenue from the fund will be received in instalments following Federal Government approval of the projects.

Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing funding programs

20. This State Government fund comprises three separate funding streams which closed on 27 January 2021. The funding streams include:
- a. Community Recreation and Sport Facilities Program 2020-21.
 - b. Grassroots Facilities Program Round 1.
 - c. Regional and Districts Facilities Program Round 1.
21. All three programs closed on 27 January 2021 and a number of projects from the community and Council were supported with the full list shown in **Attachment 2**.
22. Attachment 2 has arbitrarily categorised submissions as Type:
- A** Council submissions
 - B** Community Submissions – for Council owned facilities with Council support but no Council financial contribution
 - C** Community Submissions – for Council owned facilities with Council support and a Council financial contribution in 2021/22
 - D** - Community Submissions – for Non-Council owned land but no Council financial contribution

Building Better Regions Fund Round 5

23. The Federal Government has announced round 5 of the Building Better Regions Fund with a total of \$200m available (\$100m is dedicated to tourism-related infrastructure projects).
24. The deadline for submissions to this program is 5 March 2021.
25. At the time of preparing this Council report, Council staff were undertaking the process for project selection (as described above) and will report back to the March Council meeting on the projects proposed to be submitted. A likely candidate is the upgrading and extension of wastewater infrastructure to service the town of Nairne including growth (greenfields and infill) for residential and other uses.

Community Engagement:

Informing only	Available on Council's website
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Policy:

Not applicable

Long Term Financial Plan:

Attachment 1 highlights the capacity of the Long Term Financial Plan to accommodate the projects having regard to Council's key financial ratios/indicators. The Long Term Financial Plan is reviewed annually in the first half of each financial year. Any changes to assumptions will be incorporated in the next review.

Budget:

The Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (Phase 2) is expected to have a minor impact on gross expenditure and matching grant funding of circa \$100k on the 2020/21 budget.

The impact of other grant submissions will be considered as part of the 2021/22 budget process and where appropriate, included.

Statutory/Legal:

Any successful grants will need to comply with funding agreements in relation to reporting, timing etc.

Staff Resource Requirements:

The cost estimates for the recommended projects include provision for project management which will require some external resources to supplement existing staff resources as they are additional to the capital projects in the council budget for 2020/21. These resources will be required to plan, design and deliver the required works within the required timeframe of the grant program.

Environmental:

Environmental impacts would be assessed on a project by project basis.

Social:

Social impacts would be assessed on a project by project basis.

Risk Assessment:

Risk assessments will be assessed on a project by project basis.

Asset Management:

All of the projects listed would give rise to new/upgraded council assets and hence responsibility for asset management rests with council with related implications for asset renewal, operation, maintenance and depreciation.

Conclusion:

The process by which the recommended projects to be submitted have been selected is structured as outlined above. The outputs of that process as outlined in **Attachments 1** and **2** are recommended for endorsement given the significant community benefits that would be achieved if the projects listed are successful in gaining grant funding.

Previous Decisions By/Information Reports to Council

Meeting Date	7 September 2020	HPRM Reference	DOC/20/93714
Title	Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program		
Purpose	To seek endorsement for 6 projects to receive funding via the Federal Government Local Road and Community Infrastructure Program.		

Attachment 1 to Item 12.6

ATTACHMENT 1: SUMMARY OF SUBMITTED / PROPOSED PROJECTS**{Excluding the Office of Recreation and Sport Submissions – refer separate attachment}****Table 1: Summary of State Government Grant Funding Projects**

Grant fund name	Project/s	Total amount requested from fund (ex. GST)	Total project amount / percentage requested	Budget implications	Within assumptions of LTFP? (Y/N)
Local Government Infrastructure Partnership Program (submitted)	Regional Indoor Aquatic and Leisure Centre Stage 1 – design and construction	\$9.35m	\$33.7m / 28%	Project proposed for inclusion in the draft 2021/22 budget.	Y
Open Space and Places for People (proposed submissions)	Nairne Village Green (stage 2) - construction	\$297.5k	\$595k / 50%	Project proposed for inclusion in the draft 2021/22 budget.	Y
	Mount Barker Town Square - detailed design	\$60k	\$120k / 50%	Project proposed for inclusion in the draft 2021/22 budget.	Y

Table 2: Proposed Local Roads and Community Infrastructure extension (phase 2) projects (\$1.4m)

Funding offer name	Proposed projects	Proposed amount (ex. GST)	Percentage of project to be funded by LRCle	Budget implications	Within assumptions of LTFP? (Y/N)
Local Roads and Community Infrastructure extension (phase 2) (LRCle)	<u>Footpaths and Pedestrian Linkages:</u> Footpath strategy - district wide (planning and design)	\$100k	100%	\$20k has been included in the proposed Budget Review 2 for 2020/21, with balance in proposed 2021/22 draft budget.	Y
	<u>Footpaths and Pedestrian Linkages:</u> Bremer River, Callington pedestrian bridge	\$112.5k	25%	Included in proposed 2021/22 draft budget.	Y
	<u>Footpaths and Pedestrian Linkages:</u> Byethorne Park to Nairne Main Street	\$760K	100%	\$55k has been included in the proposed Budget Review 2 for 2020/21, with balance in proposed 2021/22 draft budget.	Y
	<u>Footpaths and Pedestrian Linkages:</u> Venables Street, Macclesfield (eastern side) (stage 3)	\$414.7k	100%	Included in proposed 2021/22 draft budget.	Y
	Littlehampton Main Street upgrades (minor additional work)	\$25k	100%	Has been included in the proposed Budget Review 2 for 2020/21.	Y

Table 3: Project registrations

Organisation name	Proposed project	Project amount registered (ex. GST)	Within assumptions of LTFP? (Y/N)
Infrastructure SA Capital Intentions Statement	Delivery of the remainder of the connector road (Heysen Boulevard)	\$65million - no council contribution	N

Attachment 2 to Item 12.6

**ATTACHMENT 2: SUMMARY OF SUBMITTED OFFICE FOR RECREATION AND SPORT
GRANT FUNDING APPLICATIONS (Due Date was 27 January 2021)**

Type A - Council Submissions:

1. Adelaide Hills Recreation Centre – Court 3 Upgrade –\$60,610 total project cost - \$30,305 Council contribution;
2. RSH – Warm up space for Australian rules football - \$75,350 total project cost - \$37,675 Council contribution.

Type B - Community Submissions – for Council owned facilities with Council support but no Council financial contribution:

1. Hahndorf Cricket Club – Cricket Net Upgrade;
2. Hills Softball Association – Fencing & Turf Upgrade.

Type C - Community Submissions – for Council owned facilities with Council support and a Council financial contribution in 2021/22:

1. Hahndorf Tennis Club – Redevelopment – \$450,000 total project cost - \$170,000 Council contribution (note: \$100,000 is included in the proposed FY21/22 draft budget);
2. Littlehampton Netball Club – Storage shed (excluding demolition and make good of the Memorial Hall lean-to \$15,700) – \$74,300 total project cost - \$22,600 Council contribution (note: included in FY20/21 Budget Review 2 and the proposed FY21/22 draft budget);
3. Littlehampton Tennis Club – Court resurfacing (12 courts) – \$111,650 total project cost - \$37,000 Council contribution is included in the proposed FY21/22 draft budget;
4. Macclesfield Tennis Club – Court Reconstruction - \$166,822 total project cost - \$50,000 Council contribution is included in the proposed FY21/22 draft budget.

Type D - Community Submissions – for Non-Council owned land and no Council financial contribution:

1. Aston Hills Golf Club – Solar Panels;
2. Wistow Cricket Club – Practice Facility – Synthetic.

12.7	REPORT TITLE:	WARD DONATIONS
	DATE OF MEETING:	1 FEBRUARY 2021
	FILE NUMBER:	DOC/20/76036
	ATTACHMENTS:	NIL
	<u>Key Contact</u>	Ashleigh Norton, Executive Assistant to Chief Executive Officer
	<u>Manager/Sponsor</u>	Andrew Stuart, Chief Executive Officer

Mount Barker 2035 – District Strategic Plan:

Governance and Leadership

Annual Business Plan:

Nil

Purpose

To allocate ward donation funds to individuals or organisations.

Summary – Key Issues

- Council has budgeted an amount for 2020/21 of \$16,254 which equates to \$1478 for each Council Member to allocate to individuals and/or groups at the Council Members' discretion. This is known as a Ward Allowance.
- Council Members may nominate groups or individuals to receive a Ward donation from their allowance at each Council meeting.

Recommendation

That Council will make the following donations, given that each Member nominating the donation has given careful consideration to whether there is a conflict of interest:

Council Member	Amount	Group/Individual/Purpose

Background

1. Council receives many requests for assistance from individuals, community members and community groups. Requests may be received by Council Members via telephone, letter or via email, or direct to Council.
2. Council has budgeted an amount for 2020/21 of \$16,254 which equates to \$1478 for each Council Member to allocate to individuals and groups at the Council Members' discretion. This is known as a Ward Allowance.
3. The Representation Review process (completed in September 2013) ensures equal representation (Council Member per elector) in each Ward. No change was made to the number of Councillors in each Ward. This process ensures the amount of Ward Allowance available to the community is equal between each of the Wards. The Minister for Local Government has specified (by way of notice published in the Government Gazette on 9 July 2020) that Council is required to undertake and complete a Representation Review during the period October 2020 to October 2021.
4. At the end of each financial year, a report of the expenditure of Ward Allowances will be reported to Council.

Ward Donation Procedures

5. Members receive a print-out indicating how much is still to be spent.
6. Individual members of the community or community groups may require small financial assistance for projects/initiatives of community interest and benefit from Council.
7. These requests should be made directly to the Mayor and/ or Council Members for their consideration / assessment.
8. Any requests received directly by Council will be acknowledged by the Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer and Mayor, and advised that any such requests received will be provided to all Council Members who may choose to contribute some funds from their annual Ward Allowance.
9. When determining donations, Council Members should consider the community interest / benefit to be received and enjoyed by the community at large as a result of that donation.
10. As per section S73-75A of the Local Government Act 1999 Council Members should also consider and assess any material, actual or perceived conflict of interest as a result of making a particular donation or voting on the donations.

11. At each Council Meeting, Council Members may nominate members of the community or community groups to receive a donation from their Ward Allowance. These donations are reflected in the Council meeting minutes, available on Council's website www.mountbarker.sa.gov.au
12. Council Members are encouraged to advise the Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer and Mayor as soon as possible of any requests for ward donations received in advance of Council meetings in order for such requests to be included in the Council meeting agenda. The form can be found on the extranet under Forms.
13. When making a donation in the Council Meeting, the Council Member should:
 - a. Declare who the donation is to be made to, the amount and the purpose of the donation; and
 - b. Complete and submit a Ward Donation Form to the Minute Secretary (Sue Miller).

Community Engagement

Informing only	Notification by way of Council minutes. Recipients will be notified of any donation.
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Policy

There are currently no Council Policies in relation to Ward Donations.

Long Term Financial Plan:

Nil

Budget

The budget allocation for Ward Donations is \$16,254 which equates to \$1478 recommended expenditure by each Council Member. Any unallocated ward allowance balance is not carried over to the next financial year.

Statutory/Legal

There are no statutory/legal implications or requirements in relation to Ward Donations.

Section 73-75A of the Local Government Act 1999:

However, Council Members should be mindful of material, actual or perceived conflict of interest that may arise as a result of making a ward donation.

Staff Resource Requirements

This is incorporated into the existing responsibilities of the finance staff.

Environmental

There are no environmental implications arising from this report or its recommendations.

Social

Ward donations enable individual members of the community and community groups to request small donations to assist with their endeavours.

Risk Assessment:

It is the responsibility of each Council Member to assess the risks association with the ward donations.

Asset Management:

There are no asset management implications arising from this report or its recommendations.

Conclusion

Council Members have the opportunity to make ward donations.

13. INFORMATION REPORTS**Recommendation**

That the following information report be noted.

13.1	REPORT TITLE:	SOUTHERN & HILLS LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION UPDATE REPORT
	DATE OF MEETING:	1 FEBRUARY 2021
	FILE NUMBER:	DOC/21/9355
	<u>Key Contact</u>	Sue Miller, Risk & Governance Officer
	<u>Manager/Sponsor</u>	Brian Clancey, Deputy CEO/General Manager Governance, Strategic Projects, Wastewater/Recycled Water

Purpose:

To provide a report on the outcomes of the Southern & Hills Local Government Association (SHLGA) Board meeting on 11 December 2020.

Summary – Key Issues:

- A key outcome summary is provided following each SHLGA Board meeting.

Background:

1. Membership of the SHLGA Board comprises the Mayors and CEOs of each of the constituent Councils, being Adelaide Hills Council, Alexandrina Council, District Council of Yankalilla, City of Victor Harbor, Kangaroo Island Council and Mount Barker District Council.
2. Councillor Samantha Jones is Council's Deputy Board Member.

Discussion:

1. The key outcomes summary is available via the S&HLGA's website :

[Southern & Hills Local Government Association Key Outcomes Summary 11 December 2020](#)

and provides an update on:

- Regional Health Plan
- 2020 Regional Transport Plan
- RDA Regional Infrastructure Plan
- Regional Climate Change Adaptation Study
- CWMS Committee
- S&HLGA Advisory Group

2. The review of the S&HLGA Charter has been completed by the S&HLGA Advisory Group and the proposed new Charter will now be distributed to member Councils for review and feedback. This will be the subject of a future report to Council.

3. GM Crops

While the Board elected not to make a regional submission it is noted that remaining S&HLGA Councils have all passed motions and made submissions to remain GM free.

Kangaroo Island was granted exemption under the Act but have now been potentially joined by:

- Adelaide Hills
- Alexandrina
- Mount Barker
- Yankalilla
- Victor Harbor

In addition Barossa and Gawler Councils have passed similar motions to remain GM free indicating a desire for a peri-urban Greater Adelaide GM free regional ring.

It is noted the Minister for Primary Industry, David Basham has rejected the requests from several regional Councils to remain GM free.

4. Key Stakeholders Update

An update was provided by the Local Government Association, Regional Development Association – AHFKI and H & F Landscape Board.

Conclusion:

Regular reports will keep Council updated on matters involving the SHLGA.

Previous Decisions By/Information Reports to Council

Meeting Date	7 December 2020	HPRM Reference	DOC/20/163513
Title	Southern and Hills Local Government Association Quarterly Report		
Purpose	To provide a quarterly report on the outcomes of the Southern & Hills Local Government Association (SHLGA) Board meeting on 23 October 2020.		

Meeting Date	2 November 2020	HPRM Reference	DOC/20/145953
Title	Southern and Hills Local Government Association Annual Report		
Purpose	To provide the Southern & Hills Local Government Association (SHLGA) Annual Report 2019/20 for adoption and subsequent inclusion as an attachment to Council's Annual Report 2019/2020.		

Meeting Date	3 August 2020	HPRM Reference	DOC/20/94347
Title	Southern and Hills Local Government Association Quarterly Report		
Purpose	To provide a quarterly report on the outcomes of the Southern & Hills Local Government Association (SHLGA) meeting on 21 August 2020.		

Meeting Date	6 October 2020	HPRM Reference	DOC/20/131466
Title	Southern and Hills Local Government Association Quarterly Report		
Purpose	To provide a quarterly report on the outcomes of the Southern & Hills Local Government Association (SHLGA) meeting on 19 June 2020.		

Meeting Date	1 June 2020	HPRM Reference	DOC/20/61842
Title	SHLGA Annual Business Plan & Budget, Subscription Fees, Draft Annual Action Plan		
Purpose	To provide the Southern and Hills Local Government Association (SHLGA) draft budget and subscriptions; and draft annual action plan for approval.		

14. QUARTERLY REPORTS

NIL

15. MAYOR'S REPORT

16. MEMBERS' REPORTS

17. QUESTIONS ARISING FROM COUNCIL MEETING

18. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

NIL