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ITEM 9.1 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION RESULTS ON SKATE PARK
CONCEPT AND LOCATION - BRAIDWOOD

ATTACHMENT 1 BRAIDWOOD SKATE PARK - CONSULTATION RESPONSES

Braidwood Skate Park Consultation Responses October 2019

Survey Response				
Which skate park design and location do you prefer?	Why do you prefer this location?	Do you have any general comments on the skate park design/s?	Age(deleted)	Year of birth
Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>I prefer the rec ground because it's near the current DIY skate park, and won't be much of a hassle to get there from where many people in town live. Also, it will be useful for people who come along with their siblings to soccer/football. And because there is a new playground there so it will attract more kids. (Comment from Morgan, age 11)</p> <p>I also prefer the rec ground because it's near to the current DIY skate park and I prefer to go there. I want to see the big people play soccer and the other kids. (Comment from Eden, age 8)</p>	<p>I would like to see enough rubbish bins in the area so it doesn't get all trashy like other skate parks I've visited. I'd also like to see smaller half pipes/ramps for beginners as well as more advanced options for people with more skills. Keeping the beginner/advanced elements separate would help ensure no one gets in each others' way. Not too many trees/shade. Enough light coming in. (Comment from Morgan, age 11)</p> <p>I would like to have some easy skate ramps and little bowls for beginners. (Comment from Eden, age 8).</p> <p>As a parent, I am a little concerned that the rec ground design has the floodway running right through the middle of the skate elements. This seems to be a serious safety issue. Moreover, in rainy periods, water could potentially pool in the area leading to the formation of slippery moss/mould that would undermine the integrity/usefulness of the park. Our kids are already playing in a storm drain in the DIY skatepark, which is less than ideal. The ideal of making this a permanent feature of the council built skate park seems weird. It's worth noting, that my kids disagree with me on this and their opinion matters more than mine. Other than that, I am really happy that the council is creating more facilities for our youth. (Comment from parent)</p>	36-45	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	It's part of the whole recreation ground hub. If we go there with the family there are others facilities available as well. It will suit everyone. Plus there are toilets.	The recreation ground is a much better option	26-35	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	This location is nearer to other infrastructure I think young people will also use and benefit from such as the new playground, BMXX track and rec ground toilets. It is also very close to the home made skate park young people have made themselves.	<p>Incorporating the overland flood path into the skate park is bound to create major problems and render the primary skate element useless.</p> <p>1. Obviously this area cannot be used during or for some time after rain as water will run through it. Counter to safe practice children will use an area that will be subject to recognized dangerous flood water flows. I am unsure why this heightened risk is added.</p> <p>2. Flood waters will deposit silt and gravel along the base of this element after the water has ceased to flow compromising the viability of this major element of the skate park. Perhaps there are plans for a responsible person/organization to remove the debris however this creates ongoing cost and logistical considerations.</p>	46-55	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	It would be less dangerous at the Rec ground. Some of the bigger kids could possible skate on the road. The traffic that come along the Kings highway can be intense, and the drivers leave little to the imagination. They don't understand slow!	I would leave the design to the experts.		1948

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Braidwood Recreation Ground	Skaters already congregate close to this location and providing a place for them close to other recreational facilities in town provides a stronger sense of inclusion	Both designs look good to me, but then I haven't used skate parks very much.		1980
Braidwood Recreation Ground	The rec ground is becoming a hub of activity for the kids with basketball, football, playground, tennis, so makes sense for the skate park to be there. All activities in one place, visual and safe		26-35	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	We like the Rec location because of the other facilities available. The bicentennial park location is a bit isolated	Having a good array of designs suited to beginners and advanced skaters would be ideal		1985
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	Elevated position, no highways to cross		36-45	
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street			36-45	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	There is much more overall space for this important facility at the Rec Ground, where it will not compromise the look and use of the area but rather complement existing facilities there. Many recreational and sporting facilities are already located in that area, including a purpose built building. In contrast, Bicentennial Park, a beautiful natural parkland with trees and undulating open spaces, would be hugely impacted by this facility, which would take up much space there and completely change the park ambience and appearance. Currently used by regular tai chi groups, dog walkers (dogs off leads), and residents and visitors walking quietly along the creek to look for resident platypuses. These rare creatures might well be frightened away by the noise of a skate park and related activity.	Not really, I am not a skater.	Over 65	1946
Braidwood Recreation Ground	I like the idea of keeping sporting activities together. There are already the required amenities there to support the activity, such as, toilets, electrical, water and parking, which will keep costs down. The location has more oversight from public to hinder poor behaviour. Families can utilise the space and partake in different activities.	No, I'll leave that to people who know how to skate and understand skating requirements and what makes a great skate space.		1970
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Because the Recreation ground is where other sport/activities are already happening (eg basketball court, new playground, tennis courts), whereas the proposed area of Bicentennial park is quiet, and has bush areas, and has more traffic passing (usually Canberrans speeding, trying to take a short cut, on their way to the coast).	NO	56-65	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Larger space with less traffic.			1969
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Because it's next to the BMX track so it makes sense to put it there	Could you please add a small size down rail so it's on a angle going down a bank or stairs with a medium Size grind ledge going down as well		16/12/2000
Braidwood Recreation Ground	I think this location is better for a number of reasons. Its proximity to the bmx track the oval and having many houses around makes for a safer environment. The bicentennial park location is quite out of the way which could have negative safety issues.	I think the bicentennial park design is stronger but I do understand that both designs are location based.		1987
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	Just to keep it away from the rec ground and sports and maybe less room at the rec	Both designs are decent could be a little bit better		1979
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Close to other sports activities and so a more inclusive and safer location.			1986

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Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	More room to build a decent sized skatepark. The recreation ground is already congested.	I went to the adult meetings in the old Braidwood Library building, there was lot of great concepts. Please listen to what was said. We need a smooth transition skatepark for the varying skaters abilities. Get plans from other councils of skateparks. Check out the top rated facilities in Australia. Listen to the skaters. Let's build a fantastic skatepark, that can hold competitions for skaters & scooter riders.		1975
Braidwood Recreation Ground	I am presuming, that this area will become the playing hub of Braidwood, instead of bits & pieces strewn over the town, maybe a canteen area		56-65	1952
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Brings the activities together		26-35	1983
Braidwood Recreation Ground	the area is utilised more with the tennis courts, life center, sports ground and new park	needs more shade be it natural trees or shade cloth		1972
Braidwood Recreation Ground		Looks good.		1982
Braidwood Recreation Ground	It's where everything sporting is, and isn't hidden away, out of sight.			10/10/72
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Because with all the other amenities in place and planned the skate park will be a part of a hub of activity	No		1979
Braidwood Recreation Ground	The Rec ground houses most of the other sporting activities in town eg the tennis courts, football fields, BMX Track and the new netball/basketball courts. A no brainer.	No		1955
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Away from houses/homes so less Braidwood residents disturbed by noise. Also the creek seems to be nearby the other location... which means it is a prime spot for wildlife. The skate noice would disturb the wildlife	No		1981
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Closer to other rec facilities	it looks great please fund this for our children	26-35	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Good central location, away from the Main Street, fitting with the rec ground environment for sports, good open location to keep an eye on the kids	No		1985
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	Central in the town. Less noise for residents Less likely to cause antisocial behaviours when in a very public place. Close to amenities and services			1985
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	Do we really want a skate park. There are very few people who use skate boards in Braidwood. Perhaps 8 to 10 people only. The numbers can be pushed up artificially if required. But here is my opinion. Close to the swimming pool. Opposite to the Police Station. Plenty of car parking. Easy access for Ambulance. Passive surveillance as the main road is close by, as is the Police Station and three local business houses. Only 5 houses will be impacted by noise.	It should be smaller rather than larger. Noise is a serious factor as skate boards clatter and are very noisy when used. Also as we have no after hours police call out in Braidwood late night gathering of youth may well be an issue. Do we actually want a skate park?????????????		1972
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	Better location for kids and families			1980

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Braidwood Recreation Ground	Better facilities for kids and more space already available in this area. Other options could potentially do more damage to waterways and surrounding environment.			1984
Braidwood Recreation Ground	The Bicentennial Park option does not seem to be seriously developed, as there is no detail at all on how it would relate to what is there already, just a rectangle on the map. The skate park would substantially change Bicentennial Park. It would occupy the central largest space. The Park is an off-leash dog area, not a good mix with kids, and the dog space would be significantly reduced. There would be noise from skate boards, kids and possibly radios, affecting houses quite nearby. There are platypus in the adjacent creek, and the activity could disturb them. The 'nature' ambiance of the Park would be seriously affected, replacing green with a large concrete area. It is regularly used by a Tai Chi group and is a welcome quiet area on the edge of town. How would the skate facility relate to the adjacent Exercise Park? Do the planners even know it is there?	The skate facilities are surprisingly large for a small town. Is it serious, or is it an ambit claim?		1944
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	I believe the Bicentennial park to be better suited for families who wish take their children to skate park and get out and about themselves.	I believe the skatepark design for Bicentennial park to be more versatile and better suited for riders of all levels		1993
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Now that the council has covered the creek, there should be room for a good sized skate park between the tennis court and the soccer fields. This area is becoming quite busy, a safer place for children to play now. The life centre and the netball court are often being utilised, so the skate park would be visible from quite a few venues.	I don't know enough about skating to give an opinion, i'll leave that to the skaters themselves.	Over 65	
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	It is on the main street with and not surrounded by houses from every angle. This will make the skaters feel far more comfortable and as though they can be themselves in the area without the constant onlook of windows.			2001
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	more available space	no		1948
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Braidwood Rec Ground is becoming a nice sporting / play hub, and the location of the Skate park there would complement this multi-use area. The plan of the Skate park at the Rec Ground also appears to fit nicely into the available space, without impinging on other current uses. Further, as Braidwood Ridge development comes to fruition it will move the geographical centre of Braidwood closer to the Rec Ground and further from Bicentennial Park. On the other hand, the skate park in Bicentennial Park may dominate the park. Although it is unclear from the plan where the skate park will actually go in Bicentennial Park or its size (~50m long?), it seems that it would take up a good part of the park making it difficult to have alternative uses. In particular, Bicentennial Park is the only on-lead dog area in Braidwood and would potentially jeopardise this use. Finally, my main concern overall is that the Skate Park goes ahead and is actually constructed and that this opportunity is not lost due to disagreements over the best location.	Not qualified to comment.	56-65	1956

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Braidwood Recreation Ground	The Recreation Ground has a number of sporting facilities and enables parents to supervise and have fun with their children of varying ages. Therefore this is a great place to also have a skate park.	The Bicentennial Park has a number of tree scape areas which should not be removed to make way for a skate park. It is the 'off lead' area for local dogs and those visiting the area, there a number of groups which currently use this park for exercise and Tai Chi. The creek houses many snakes during the warm weather season and it would not be good to have a child bitten by one. In addition there are minimum of 4 platypus in the creek and since these endangered wildlife seek quiet areas a skate park would not be suitable for this park.	56-65	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Because other rec facilities are there and it is and has been for many years, a designated Recreation Area. It would be awful to wreck the lovely natural Bicentennial Park which landcare put so much work into, with a skate Park.		46-55	
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	I slightly prefer the Bicentennial Park option as it appears to have more interest for skateboarders. If it goes there, hopefully it may generate additional use of the northern end of town. The Recreation Ground option makes more sense if Council is prepared to 'build out' this precinct into a decent activity area. It is a fair way from shops etc and would be good if it was better linked to town through a cycleway/shared all-weather footpath etc.	Both are terrific options - just as long as one is picked I will be happy. These kids, and the kids coming after them, deserve something they can do which is not just hanging around the little kids in a playground or waiting for adults to organise sports for them.		1963
Braidwood Recreation Ground	More central and family friendly given recent upgrades to facilities. Night lighting, toilet amenities. Range of activities in one area for all family members to participate in healthy outdoor activities	I think the shade structures could be built to reflect the existing amenities, a little less industrial, and possibly tone down the bright yellow/gold' themed surfaces to a more earthy tones. Concepts are otherwise great, very user friendly! Thankyou		1980
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	The rec is used for more sports that require the space and taking more space of the oval is only shortening the activities			1999
Braidwood Recreation Ground	It's out of the way if the town and ensures the park is kept for the numerous visitors and younger members of the community. It also avoids any negative connotations of the area, i.e it's unsafe or unfriendly.	It needs to be more minimalist, the skating community is small in Braidwood and the entire town would benefit greatly if the funds were put towards another project. This would ensue a larger population being satisfied with town developments.		2002
Braidwood Recreation Ground	It is the community sports area in the Braidwood township. Keep all these activities in one place, families can use all aspects available in the one visit to the Rec.			1970
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	Much more central location--accessible to children, youths, families and other individuals. Gives Braidwood a stronger sense of community, thus expanding such community by having it visible and accessible in "known" park of this town.	Think of the ergonomics		31/12/99
Braidwood Recreation Ground	This is a hub of rec facilities - tennis, soccer, rugby, netball, Life Centre - obvious, music, BYPA activity, bike track - let's keep it centralised please	No real skill here - will be happy to look at design options, liaising with my architect comrade😁		04/12/56
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Smart use of overland flood pan to use as skate ramp. It seems to fit the environs. Maybe a bit out of place in bicentennial park. One location for rec activities.	Could it be further up the flood pan at rec to make more use of this area for the skate users.		1974
Braidwood Recreation Ground	It fits with the current facilities at the rec ground. Recreation is the purpose of the site, and the skate park is a recreation activity			1996

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Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	<p>Closer to both schools, kids can access skatepark safely via pedestrian crossing. NO PEDESTRIAN crossing to rec ground location, kids will have to cross the deadly Kings Highway. Will be a boost for businesses that end of town. Rec ground only scored 50% in Convic's site analysis, the local skate community NEVER wanted a skatepark at the rec ground and feel justified by Convic's report. Historically, skateparks located near organised sporting facilities has led to conflicts between users. The rec ground is already overdeveloped with too many things going on, skaters need enough space to express themselves. The site at the rec ground is also prone to flooding, Bungendore's skatepark floods regularly and is cracking, sinking, shifting as a result. Please adopt Convic's advice and build it at Bicentennial Park.</p>	<p>I prefer the Bicentennial Park design, it links both the street and transition elements in a more flowing design, it looks more fun to skate, has a bowl section etc. Whereas the rec ground design clearly separates both these sections, due to the fact that the design has to allow for flood waters to pass through, which dictates how the park has to be set up. There isn't enough space at the rec, no chance to extend in the future...</p>	26-35	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>I have 3 kids they all play sport and to have it all in one place makes sense</p>			1982
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	<p>Local skaters/users prefer the design for Bicentennial-Park as -- it has better integration of the transition and street elements, -- is a more central location, closer to the local schools etc. -- it is also less likely to require users cross Kings Highway without a crossing.</p>	<p>The placement of the skate park within Bicentennial park should be carefully chosen to balance and optimise accessibility, use of natural shade, noise (both for nearby houses and the local wildlife living in the creek), and esthetics.</p>		1986
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	<p>people who are driving thru braidwood will see it and there will be more use from them. more central.</p>	<p>thank you for giving us a proper place to skate.</p>		2001
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	<p>It's close to main street attracting tourist and in public sight</p>	<p>Parking lot</p>		2001
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	<p>its further away from the diy and more convenient</p>	<p>i like the shade</p>		2003
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	<p>I prefer the design for Bicentennial park from a skaters perspective. The location is far better suited as there is no flood water risk and it has better public surveillance. Also Bicentennial Park is closer to the centre of town and is just off the main street so it could help boost the local economy with families and tourists stopping and making use of multiple amenities.</p>	<p>I hope the people of Braidwood are heard this time round.</p>	Under 18	
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street				21/01/2002
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street			Under 18	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>Facilities are already there. Ease of access. Can be used while other events are on.</p>		26-35	30/04/1987
Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>The proposed location in the Rec Ground has the benefit of proximity to a public space in the town that is becoming quite a hub of local communal youth activities - with the team sports on the well-lit playing fields, to the tennis courts, the Braidwood Life Centre building, and the new playground (currently under construction).</p>	<p>I'm not sure if adequate lighting is an issue that needs to be included or addressed? The current street lighting on Araluen St (or on McKellar Street for that matter, if the other site is chosen) is too poor to allow for use of the skate park after dark. It probably shouldn't have the lights on until the wee hours, but as a public space it should probably be lit for some time from a safety perspective, and for people who want to use it after dark in the winter months - face it, it gets dark before 5 in June and July.</p>	26-35	

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Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	It's in a much safer and more social environment rather than being alone down the opposite side of town with no one there if anything happens	They both look good although the rec ground one doesn't look as flowy	Under 18	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Its where most of the town's sport is played and it's out off site of passing traffic	Nil		1982
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	Closer to public amenities, better public surveillance, not in a floodway, recommended by Convic Skateparks, the leading designer of skateparks in Australia, who actually know what works and what doesn't.	Please listen to the professionals who actually know what they're talking about!	18-25	
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	There is already too much infrastructure at the Recreation Ground and there is no room for a skate park that is suitably far enough away from residences. Also this type of activity needs to be out in the open where it can be monitored and policed because of the sort of people that it attracts, the noise it generates and to stop vandalism, such as graffiti. My choice would be not have one anywhere within the town.			1956
Braidwood Recreation Ground	The rec ground is the most suitable place for the skate park it is where all the other sporting facilities are and would make an excellent integrated sporting and recreation area with excellent facilities all together. Bicentennial Park is most certainly not suitable, it is too close to residences. I understand that the rules governing the siting of skateparks would rule Bicentennial park out as it too close to houses. I certainly hope the rules are not being set aside to accommodate the lobbying of a minority group. The skatepark would take up most of the park land, where would we exercise our dogs off leash as this would most certainly not be permitted any longer to accommodate the children that would be there. Where would there be a tranquil place for the Tai Chi group who have been using the park for many years? What about the outdoor gym? What about parking? What about the flood issue? I would not like to be living in McKellar St with the increased traffic, the increased noise, the change in the ambiance of the whole park area. I most certainly would not want to have to put up with the rubbish, graffiti, the noise and the unsocial behavior at all hours that seem to be a part of skateparks. Who is going to monitor all this so the residents can still have their quiet clean street. What about the regular users of this park where do they go? NO the proper and only sensible place for the skate park is the rec ground.	I like the design for the skate park for the rec ground it looks challenging with all types of skill levels. The viewing areas are also good.	56-65	1957
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	It better meets convic recommendations	The elements work better in Bicentennial location - however amenities such as toilets should be considered	26-35	
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	I don't have a preference for the location - moreso the design	I prefer the design on the Bicentennial Park proposal. It has some good separation of areas, provision for plenty of different skill levels and mostly it has a great flow.		1983
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	I think that the Recreational Park is too out of the way, it should not be hidden, it should be in plain view.		56-65	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	It's the logical place! A place where RECREATIONAL activities can take place	They both look great		1987

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Braidwood Recreation Ground	Recreation ground has become a family friendly area in the redevelopment. Bicentennial park could be kept as a natural environment for dog walkers etc.	Utilising floodways is a smart idea.		1990
Braidwood Recreation Ground	It is a larger area so more suitable for the skate park...and joins other sports at the rec...	Don't know anything at all about skate parks so letting those who do have their say...	56-65	15 06 1956
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street		Should be in Ryrie Park	46-55	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	The Rec Ground is more suitable for such activity, with other facilities in the area. While noise will be an issue, the Rec Ground site should affect less residents (although I pity those living near by). Traffic in McKellar St can be busy as cars heading to the coast use this back road to avoid main street congestion - children active nearby risk being hit by these cars. To reach this park the children have to travel along the road, with no footpaths. A local bar owner prefers a site (Bi-Centennial Park) near his business . He is looking at attracting adult skate boarders - drunk skateboarders - not good! Braidwood is a small town - any site (Rec Ground) is within easy reach for residents.	Design it for the children - good to encourage them to play outside and off their computers. Adults can find other activities and will only deter the young ones from using this facility.		1956
Braidwood Recreation Ground	I think it is good to consolidate the towns sporting and recreation assets in the one place, that way it can become a real attraction for families. The higher concentration of family activities in the one place the more families are likely to use it. A great example of this is the new playground we spotted near the proposed skate park site in the rec grounds, I can see many families including mine taking their child to the skate park and then using the play equipment after their child has a skate. It is great to have different activities in the one place.	I love the design of the Overland Flood path being incorporated into the design, it kind of builds on the makeshift skate park the kids have constructed on Wallace St. A couple of BBQs and picnic tables in the area would be a good idea too, it is a nice idea have to somewhere for the parents to be while the kids are using the skate park. It would encourage adults to be around while children are using he skate park which could alleviate some people's concerns about unruly kids. Also it would be good to run activities there, maybe we could get guest speakers to run courses for the kids. I know it is not a part the building project but it would be a great community program. Last but not least and again it's not a part of this project but all good community infrastructure like this needs infrastructure feeding it. The footpaths in Braidwood are shocking, children should be able to get to the skate park without have to be on the dangerous roads all the time. There should be feeder footpaths coming from all directions which include pedestrian crossings on the main hwy, this would help get children safely to the skate park and back.		1982
	Neither	Build it elsewhere. Queanbeyan would be good. Waste of rate payers money on vocal minority		1968
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Close to other sporting facilities and public amenities	I like the local character of the design and the size of the park including lots of elements for skaters.		1983

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Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	<p>This site is big enough to expand the park in the future, if needed. In comparison, the chosen site for the recreation ground seems to have been squashed in amongst the many other recent additions there.</p> <p>It will help to activate that part of the Main Street and make it a more inclusive part of the whole Wallace Street upgrade.</p> <p>It will have passive surveillance, which is highly important in minimising antisocial behaviour. This park is a nice spot to sit with families and watch kids skate and there are shade trees established there. The slope of the park creates a more interesting design.</p> <p>The consultants have identified this site as their preferred site, now that Ryrie Park is no longer an option and local skaters, including my children, are keen to have it there.</p>	<p>I think designs both looks good, given there is no funding as yet and so the budget for this is hypothetical. There are elements of both designs that are desirable to skaters.</p> <p>The elements of shade, drinking water and rubbish disposal are key to most skateparks we have used. The combination of skate elements for different skill levels, enabling children to work up to different ability in stages, is also vital to a safe and enjoyable skatepark.</p> <p>I am assuming that what we actually end up with will ultimately be governed by how much money can be secured to actually construct it. Convic are experts in their field and I'm sure that they will build the best skatepark possible within the budget they are given.</p>	46-55	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>I like the design of the actual skate park for this site better. I feel like it will blend in with the environment better, and families will be able to make use of the rest of the facilities that the Rec ground has to offer. It will be particularly good when the BBQ area at the tennis club is complete.. Many families and friends can enjoy the space</p>	<p>I think the designs are great. I feel like the Bicentennial park one looks a bit more challenging, my children would prefer the rec ground one.</p>		1986
Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>Because the safety risks from the surrounding roads is reduced. Council current crash data does highlight pedestrian crash risk for young males aged 13-17 years while using 'wheeled devices' as pedestrians which includes skateboards and scooters. A skatepark would generate this pedestrian activity and may see pedestrians skating or scootering on or near the road. Selecting a less busier road with lower average speeds is one way to reduce the risks for this pedestrian activity. Council traffic data has 85th speeds on McKellar St at 56-58km/h and some very high top speeds (106.6km/h) and ADT at 285. Araluen St has ADT at 166, 85th at 40km/h and top speeds around 73km/h. The data would suggest the road risks are less at Braidwood Recreational Ground</p>	<p>The design is amazing - well done. Just providing some traffic and road safety feedback to consider in site selection.</p>	36-45	
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	<p>It's a nice park to hang out in. There is more space and trees there. It's close to the Main Street and park and pool. It's not far to walk to the toilets at Ryrie Park. The toilets at the rec are mostly closed.</p>	<p>I like elements from both of the designs. They both look pretty good but I'd be happy to look at other ideas too.</p>		2006
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	<p>It's nicer there. Canberra skaters will probably visit on their way to the coast. It's close to Ryrie Park which is also a nice place to play or swim.</p>	<p>They both look big but it's hard to tell from a picture.</p>		2011
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	<p>It's fairly close to town amenities and shops, there is plenty of space for constructing it without it impacting other facilities. It is a location that will encourage people passing through town to stop and use it. I imagine we would go there as a family and have picnics and hang out with our kids while they skate.</p>	<p>It looks good. Anything will be a welcome addition to what they are skating on here now.</p>		02/8/2006
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street				1983
Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>I believe it is very important for the activities to be together. The Bicentennial Park is a profoundly important ecological space and nature reserve. The people of McKellar Street actively chose this location because of its quietness. The space is used as an important community space.</p>	<p>We have followed the design process with great interest. I am aware of the design process involved and the recommended design. I do believe profoundly that this is best situated at the Recreation Ground. I think there will be appropriate infrastructure there and that families will learn to use the Recreation Ground in an exciting way.</p>		1947
Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>Provides access to the existing pump track, allowing for a variety of activities. You could also hold larger events catering for a variety of disciplines which utilise both the skate park and the pump track.</p>	<p>I am in favor of the design catering for beginner to intermediate, do not want the mistakes of Bungendore skate park to be repeated where only one small portion of the facility is used due to the difficulty.</p>		14/03/81

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Braidwood Recreation Ground	In very recent years the Rec Ground has been attracting more and more families especially now that the Life Centre is being used more often and the Basketball courts are finished. There's a great playground for the younger kids being built now and it could become a real hub of activity for kids and families. Bicentennial Park should remain a quiet peaceful area.	Love it! Just make sure there's as much shade provided as possible.	46-55	
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	From speaking to skaters, the design is better at Bicentennial Park (better flow for skaters).	Keen to see it go ahead for our skaters.		1970
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	Recommended by Convic	I would like it to be suitable for beginners as well as more experienced skaters; have areas for viewing by non-skaters; be in sympathy with the landscape (if it's sited at Bicentennial Park) and have landscaping around it to soften the visual impact.	46-55	
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	It's better in every single way.			1998
Braidwood Recreation Ground	the site has parking already available toilets and drinking water are located on the site the rec is central to the village site is not frequented by coast bound traffic dogs are already prohibited from the playing field the lighting is in place and would require minimal alteration there are no platypus living in that area of flood creek the rec ground area was originally designated as recreation and sporting facility there is clear view of the whole facility from the surrounding boundary roads there is sufficient distance from roads to protect wandering children	As I am not a skater I cannot assess the merits or otherwise of the design. As a parent and grand parent I would encourage consideration be given first to the safety and containment for activities in which vulnerable minors are engaged. Hopefully parental supervision will be enforced regardless of where the skate park is located.	56-65	16/11/19 52
Braidwood Recreation Ground	The Braidwood recreation Ground area is designated as a community recreation area. It is the best area to keep all the sports together so that the whole family can participate in the one place. It is also adjacent to the new housing development.	I am very pleased that that the youth of Braidwood will at last have a skate board area. It is a good design to include all ages. It would be too large and inappropriate for Bicentennial Park Mackellar St which was designated for a sculpture park; is a Land Care area for people walking and for walking dogs and also a quiet viewing area for platypus in the creek		1934
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	Near the new park, keeping an eye on our community is a safe place for the children/ skaters	Get the local skate community involved so the funds used to facilitate the park are used to its full capacity, this should assist the local businesses too.		1980
Braidwood Recreation Ground	The Bicentennial Park is a beautiful and peaceful location where the creek is home to platypuses and the trees are full of birdlife. Tai chi is practised during the week three times there and it is one of the rare quiet places of contemplation in nature in Braidwood. The Recreation Ground is by far the most sensible location where we already have soccer, rugby, afl, tennis, the bike track, the netball court and now a children's playground. So the skate park would make it a complete sporting hub for the young (and old).	While I am not a skateboarder I studied the two designs and think the one for the Recreation Ground looks to be the most innovative and fun. The Bicentennial design looks to me more boring.		17/10/19 38
Braidwood Recreation Ground	The Recreation Ground is by far the most sensible option or the skate park....it's where many other children's (and adults) sporting activities take place...it is already well lit and having the skate park there will make it a most exciting sporting hub. Bicentennial Park is a lovely peaceful park where you can sit by the creek and observe the platypus and the abundant bird life. The skate park would spoil the character of that park.	The Recreation Park design looks the most exciting.		27/07/19 41

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Braidwood Recreation Ground	this location is in an area where youngsters would meet, and skate, without undue noise or many restrictions, which would happen in the other location.	one looks too big to me, but maybe the kids would love it. did anyone ask their opinion!!		1944
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Central location, allowing all ages to safely access the skatepark, it also allows other family members to use the rec ground facilities, ie tennis, football, bmx. The site is also overlooked by many houses to give the entire area passive security. This site does not appear to hide the skate park in an out of site location.	The concept design is very good.		7-5-1962
Braidwood Recreation Ground	I believe this area suits better for the skate park. Also the Bicentennial Park is a quite place where people of the community meets to do activities like Tai Chi. We love the fact that is a green area to enjoy in peace. Most important, the Bicentennial Park is home of a family of Platypuses, we are so lucky that we can go there and watch these rare, shy and amazing creatures in the wild every day. It would be a shame to disturb them and scare them away; or even worse, destroy their habitat. I believe it is extremely important to respect the habitat of this vulnerable animal, it is a treasure that we should love and protect at the Braidwood Community.	I hope it won't take a big green area and trees. We would love more grass, flowers and trees. And just the necessary amount of concrete.		1989
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Because I like the Bicentennial Park, it is a green and peaceful place. I would not like to see a Skate Park there. And also there are Platypuses in the creek of that park and we should take care of their habitat.			1988
		On a recent Holiday Park visit I saw a Modular Pumptrack. I believe this may be a better option to a fixed and more expensive Skate Park. There are multiple designs, can be used by a variety of human propelled wheeled items, suits a broader demographic, is modular, could be purchased, stored and maintained by Council & rotated around the Shire for set periods, is expandable and hireable. See Parkitect website or Modularpumptrack.com.au		1940
Braidwood Recreation Ground	It is close to toilet facilities and closer to the town centre. Bicentennial park has no toilet facilities and is further from the centre of town.	Council should have had the skate park next to the pool. I'm beyond disappointed in councils inability to listen to the advice of professionals and instead listen to those who believe to be the Braidwood 'elite'. It is disappointing and is resulting in young people moving from the town. Get your act together	18-25	1996
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Because of existing use as a sports precinct and established amenities. Well patronised with local sporting groups and already high visitation on weekends. The Recreation Ground is central to the Braidwood Community and surrounded by more of the community. The other option is on the edge of town and out of the way, a bad option.	Designs look good but I'm not a skater, please make sure you get input from at least a dozen local Braidwood skater's before going ahead.	46-55	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	It will add to the created sporting hub that has and is the process of being updated, it has toilets, lighting and a range of other sporting facilities in the one area, residents in the direct locality have bought and purchased property knowing that it is a recreational facility.... Bicentennial Park on the other hand is used as a passive recreational space and leads to a rural vista, residents that overlook the park have bought there for its scenic views to the north and I feel will be negatively impacted by the skate park. In summary my initial concerns for the recreation ground being unsuitable was due to its isolation however after the recent upgrades it is now far from isolated and with the wide variety of facilities there are a number of residents using the area frequently... Bicentennial Park should and must be left as a pathway where residential meets rural	I'm not a skater and the design should be left to those who know more than me and	46-55	

		<p>I am contacting you in the hope that you will see sense in my points below. I live in 39 Mackellar Street right across from the Bicentennial Park (BP) in a very quiet and beautiful part of Braidwood. So, the idea of setting up a skate park in the Bicentennial Park is, in my view, not an option. For close to 20 years I have observed the BP being used by locals and visitors alike, all enjoying the beautiful park, watching the wildlife and birdlife, walking along the Creek taking pleasure in the peace and quiet of the Park.</p> <p>Today</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">•People can unleash their dogs which enjoy being able to roam, run and sniff•The open-air gym is used daily by locals and visitors, school children included•People go for picnics in the Park and enjoy the peace and quiet the Park provides•The BP is also used by sports groups working out on the grass•The Park is used for children's ball games, is a playground•As a location for mothers' groups who exercise using the open-air gym and the Park while their toddlers are safe when playing•The creek and the nature of the park attract tourists as well as locals•Tourist buses and caravans are widely benefitted by the Drop-Point•The 'free water' tap is made use of daily by several trucks, utes and caravans/mobile homes. <p>The BP is an oasis in Braidwood, and setting up a skate park in the Park will diminish Braidwood's reputation as beautiful place to visit. People living in McKellar Street will be deeply affected by a skate park in regard to increased traffic, parked cars, noise and sight. And a much-appreciated oasis in Braidwood will be destroyed. Therefore, I strongly object to a skate park being placed at the Bicentennial Park.</p>		
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Braidwood Recreation Ground	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nearer to other facilities - Better matches current usage 	No		1955
Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>Location of a "Skatepark"</p> <p>The Recreation Ground was set aside for (wait for it) RECREATION.</p> <p>The youth of today appear incapable of amusing themselves without spoonfed provision of non mechanical devices. If any public money (including ratepayers funds) is to be spent on a "skatepark" it is my opinion that :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Funding should not exceed dollar for dollar raised by enthusiasts # The location should be at the Recreation Ground # The location should NOT be at the Bicentennial Park # It should only be constructed if Council is clearly absolved of ALL responsibility in perpetuity for the inevitable injuries 			

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Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	Location is better	Design is ok but would be great to work on a more flowing park		30/09/1982
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Toilet facilities, lighting already there. Also closer to cafes and supermarket. Near the BMX track, netball court and oval.	Great that the skaters will have a place for their sport	56-65	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Being a more regularly populated area reduces the risk of becoming just a hang spot. Also can serve to entertain children / siblings while other sports are being played.	<p>Design 1 has more open area between riding lines reducing the risk of cross over contact.</p> <p>I would like to mention that Convic Parks build great parks but are known for using too tight of a transition on the half pipes/quarter pipes. I would suggest asking them to use a more mellow 8ft transition on there 4ft+ half and quarter pipes. This more mellow transition lends its self better to beginners and scooter riding. Scooter riding being the far more dominate sport in the urban roller sport culture in Australia.</p> <p>Best Regards Aaron Gardner Owner/Operator The Bank Indoor Skate Park.</p>		1986

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<p>I have just received a letter in regards to the placement of the new skate park proposed for Braidwood. It has been made to look like it came from the council but has in fact been sent by "the friends of Bicentennial park", and I have never seen such a heavily biased, unscrupulous misrepresentation of the facts. The points in this letter are as follows.</p> <p>1. Green space area, serenity, and contemplation v concrete sprawl. Ans: why should we living at the rec have NO green space, contemplation and another concrete sprawl on our already very busy space?</p> <p>2. wildlife viewing area, quiet habitat for platypus, water birds, snakes and lizards. Ans: we are only devoid of wildlife because of the removal of habitat to accommodate even More of the facilities that others "don't want in my back yard" I refer of course to the removal of many trees which to this date have not been replaced and no answer as to if they ever will be.</p> <p>3. Impact to heritage zoning of the park and town. Ans: Funny, I thought the recreation ground was also a part of the heritage of the town but it has not been given the same consideration when you see the continual urban ugliness that keeps appearing trees gone, massive lighting systems, the second playground etc etc.</p> <p>4. Well used tranquil park – town's leash free dog walking, tai chi group, walkers and quiet gym area and more. Ans: The rec also has a "lead free dog area" the whole rec in fact, many people both local and tourists stop or come down to walk the dog and give it exercise, most leave a calling card as there are no facilities for people to collect and dump that calling card. And what does the writer suggest when stating "and more".</p> <p>5. Flawed site assessment report- developer biased perspective with limited heritage or environmental consideration. ANS: One could argue that the site assessment for the park to be placed at the rec was also flawed and lacked environmental or heritage consideration</p> <p>6. less than 50meters from adjacent homes – with the tranquil park setting to be replaced by noise, lights and a concrete mass. Ans: "Well what the devil do these people think we already have here at the rec" it is quite acceptable however for those living 50meters from the rec to have all the noise anti-social behaviour, lights that go into the evening, inadequate parking to the point that you find vehicles parked in your drive and young men in your garden or on the nature strip relieving themselves because they are too lazy to walk to the toilets, and don't even talk about the rubbish left behind, and how dare these people consider that it's OK for us at the rec to look at a concrete mass when they shun it.</p> <p>7. No family facilities available which are already available at the rec – toilets, canteen/cafe parking, BMX track basket ball, netball, tennis, family play centre, flood lights parking now of course add a new children's playground. Ans: firstly those who watch games and park in Clyde street rarely use the toilets supplied, they prefer to urinate behind the Tegra sign or behind their vehicles or through my fence into the garden or on council grass verg sometimes in full view of children. Parking is mentioned twice so one could be forgiven for thinking there is plenty, the opposite is in fact the truth, more than once the council verg at the front of the house has been torn up by 4x4s and more than once I have had to risk confrontation to ask people not to park in my driveway. I think it must be agreed that the list above is quite extensive to the amount of facilities available at the Recreation ground burdening the local environment and it's inhabitants now of course add a new children's playground. 8. Rec ground closer to the new demographic centre of town - major new developments are approved on the southern end of town. Ans: Now there's a massive leap of faith in people taking up those options or even having children, because, let us not lose sight of the fact that this is the hidden agenda in this negative epistle, "I want somewhere for my kids to play but not to near me".</p>	<p>9. Bicentennial Park is further from the Supermarket and cafes. Ans: Really, what kids need to go to the Supermarket when their skateboarding? And most young ones I know don't go in for café latte so that whole argument is void, and one thing I would point out is it is in fact safer to walk to the cafe's from Bicentennial Park because you do not have to cross the main road and you have two pedestrian crossings as opposed to none from the rec to the shops.</p> <p>10. Isolated site without proper oversight. Ans: You will find as much oversight in the rec as in any park, there are no regular Police patrols, it is not the responsibility of the people who live nearby to oversee the area, we rarely see a council ranger (if we actually have one) the lights are only activated in the evening for games or training. Which begs the question do the parents of the skateboarders expect the skate park to be lit at all times?</p> <p>11. Recreation Ground has a readymade site for the installation of a family friendly skate facility.....why not proceed. Ans: Bicentennial Park has a readymade site for installation of a family friendly skate facility.....why not proceed. In conclusion I would like to add, I am not anti children as some would believe, I am not anti facility, but I am concerned that the rec ground is reaching capacity given the regular addition of just one more family friendly item with little, or at least uncommunicated information about how the local roads of large vehicles, speeding cars, children on pushbikes, young ones unattended wandering the general area as they come and go to all these facilities, I have witnessed some close calls on what are small local roads with no real limitations on speed (50km being too fast) and no weight restrictions on fast moving VERY HEAVY vehicles.</p>		
<p>Further to my email of the 02/10/2019 I wish to add the following.</p> <p>It has been suggested (probably as a wind up) that the future plan for the Braidwood Recreation Ground is to include the building of more tiered seating and said seating would be placed on the Clyde street side of the Recreation Ground, could you please confirm or deny the validity of that statement?</p> <p>I ask because with the current difficult and often dangerous parking that occurs during major sporting fixtures the situation would become extremely dangerous and intolerable. (Please see attached picture)</p> <p>As you will see from the attached photo, and this is not the worst I have seen, the corner becomes obscure to traffic or people walking the road as often happens due to uneven footpath, very often mothers with young children or prams plus the dog get to and from the recreation ground by walking, as not all use the car.</p> <p>As I pointed out in my previous missive it is not just the totally inadequate parking it is also the fact that a number of people spend the entire afternoon having a beer which leads me to suggest that that these drivers are not as aware as perhaps they should be.</p>			

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Braidwood Recreation Ground				1945
Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>Amenities are already there..toilets,lights,parking other family recreation facilities. Much safer than Bicentennial Park and closer to the main supermarket, cafes and new housing developments.</p> <p>Will preserve the natural beauty, wildlife and heritage value of Bicentennial Park.</p>			nineteen sixty
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Braidwood Recreation Ground	For several reasons: (1) Because it is by far the most appropriate location for a skatepark. QPRC has supported a number of great improvements to the Rec Ground over the past few years and a skatepark will add even further value to this great community asset. (2) Because the Bicentennial Park site is totally inappropriate. I'm a longstanding member of the Braidwood Urban Landcare Group. Volunteers of this group created that site in association with Talaganda Council, and with help from other groups including the local fire brigade. Before doing so we conducted a community survey to be sure we created something the community would value. We designed the park to have clumps of native plantings with open spaces in between. These open spaces are what current users appreciate and use for walking and relaxation. They are an essential part of the design. The proposed skatepark is intended to occupy the largest of these spaces, pushing other users into a much smaller area. (3) Because the Bicentennial Park site would be an extremely dramatic imposition upon local residents along Mackellar St. They have long appreciated the Park as it is and share it with local and visitors. They bought their houses at a premium in part because of the location. A skatepark directly across the road would likely mean significant financial loss for some. They were not consulted before this was proposed. Several are extremely agitated and stressed about the proposal, including one woman I know who was recently bereaved and really didn't need this added burden. (4) Because the main opposition to the Rec Ground is just a very vocal and unpopular minority who is holding up the skatepark for everyone in Braidwood, especially local skaters. The sooner the Rec Ground is chosen, the better for all of us.	Yes, two: (1) the Rec ground design incorporates the flow line of Rec Ground Creek. I'm not sure how flowing water would behave or whether debris would be deposited in this section of the facility. I think it would make sense to have some kind of overpass built into the facility too, so that the park can expand to the other side of the creek in a way that can be used in all weather. (2) the report and recommendation provided by the skate park designer is really flawed. The table on page 8 is a joke, full of inaccuracies. The recommendation of Bicentennial park cannot be supported based on the criteria they have chosen. They have given several of them completely backward ratings which bias the whole thing to Bicentennial park. I hope no Councillor or community member is swayed by their poor effort in this regard.		1971
Braidwood Recreation Ground	I prefer the idea of locating the skate park at the southern end of town together in a common sporting facilities area. This would also allow for Bicentennial Park to remain a 'green space' so to speak.	Both designs cater for the beginner through ton more advance riders - my children would be happy with either design therefore either design would be welcomed by me.		03 May 1972
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	skaters aren't looking for a community experience such as would be encountered at the rec ground. skaters have more in common with surfers than football or other coached or managed activity; not unlike those individuals choosing the separateness of the existing exercise at the park. The mix of ages is a good reason to keep the park in town and the bicentennial park provides the perfect mix of security with out watch tower.	I go with the users.		1 11 45
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Bicentennial Park was once an unused wasteland. Then it was transformed into what it is today — a beautiful natural sanctuary on the edge of town, where all of us who crave calm and peace and the natural world can and do go. There is no other place like it within reach of the town, and it is precious for the very many people who use it. Bushland birds seen nowhere else through the trees, platypus live in the pools, the native plantings create a sense of tranquil beauty. Many of us go to this sanctuary for quiet contemplation, including the calm and meditative tai chi group that regularly practices there. Young people need their special places, but so do peace-lovers and particularly the elderly for whom Bicentennial Park is such a precious resource. It would be utter desecration to take this wonderful resource, whose maintenance costs the community next to nothing and that gives so much to the community, and transform it into a skate park. The Recreation Ground is the area in Braidwood set aside for recreational games and sports. Surely that is the obvious place for the skate park! Please leave Bicentennial Park in peace, for all of us who need the peace it so wonderfully and uniquely provides!			1950
Braidwood Recreation Ground	This location is well serviced, has toilets, is close to most of the town dwellings. The bicentennial part is a wildlife viewing area, a great dog walking area and a skate park would ruin this. Also, it's close to a pub and restaurant with a bar which would provide easy access by drunk men to children playing in the park.			1956

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Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>There is little difference between the site selection scores for the two locations (neither appears to be ideal!), but in my view the disruption to the current usage of Bicentennial Park would be significant if this site were chosen.</p> <p>Bicentennial Park is a peaceful, attractive location with grass, trees and shrubs and a natural meandering feel as it follows the creek. The space is regularly used by residents and visitors to Braidwood for Tai Chi, dog walking, running, outdoor gym users and picnickers. The site is especially popular for older residents (the average aged of Braidwood residents is well above the state average) and the siting of the skate park would cause considerable disruption to the size and feel of the space. The installation of a large swathe of concrete would completely alter the site and displace many of the current users.</p> <p>I am especially concerned that the plan would involve the destruction of existing vegetation in the Park. The established trees and shrubs in this area are intrinsic to the park's peaceful environment.</p> <p>I am fully supportive of a skate park being built in the town - but the Rec Ground is a much more suitable site and a place where many young people already hang out.</p>			01/03/19 67
Braidwood Recreation Ground	great design + embedded in existing infrastructure			1983
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	Much more practical and a nice location for everyone / friends and family	as long as the park has a good flow to it , and the people designing it are we'll experienced it should all be good		2003
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	<p>Braidwood Skatepark site options</p> <p>It is our earnest desire that a skate park be built in Braidwood as soon as feasibly possible. We are sympathetic to the need for the skate park and we believe the youth of Braidwood has gone without for far too long.</p> <p>However, we are deeply concerned at the process that Council has adopted to establish the preferred site and believe that the process is flawed. To offer Bicentennial Park as an option without completing due diligence may be offering a site that in the end may not be available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There has been no investigation, analysis and reporting on the impact on wildlife habitat. • The land is within the curtilage of the State significant heritage listed town and there has been no review of the impact on heritage values. • The land is within Council's flood planning area and there has been no reporting on the impact of the proposal with regards flooding. • The land is bushfire prone and there has been no investigation as to the effect on the proposal. • The land is riparian water course land and is part of the Sydney water catchment area and there is no reporting on whether the proposal will have any impact. • There has been no investigation of potential aboriginal heritage. <p>Further, although zoned RE1 Recreation, the site has been used as passive recreation continuously and consistently to date. To change that accepted use into active recreation will have a major impact on those residents who use the land for passive recreation, especially as there is no offer of alternative land for that use.</p> <p>Negative reporting on any of the above could eliminate the site altogether and place Council in a compromised position.</p> <p>We request that Council reconsider the process of asking community opinion when the site evaluations are incomplete.</p>			
<p>Braidwood Recreation Ground</p>	<p>I am a Braidwood & District ratepayer.</p> <p>I would like to vote for the park to be located at the Recreation Ground.</p> <p>It seems very logical to have as many sporting interests in the one location. This saves doubling up on things eg toilets,</p> <p>Also there maybe different interest groups within a family - some may be involved in netball, others in footbal, others in skating etc.</p> <p>Ambulance facilities are closer, especially on the times of heavy use eg weekends.</p> <p>Bar-b-que facilities available. Also parking, And likely to be other people around for increased safety.</p>			
<p>Braidwood Recreation Ground</p>	<p>I support the continued use of this parkland (Bicentennial Park).</p> <p>I do not wish the skate park to be moved from its present location.</p> <p>Alan Martindale, Elrington Street</p>			

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Braidwood Recreation Ground	For ALL the reasons already listed by the friends off Bicentennial Park (see their petition!): The Recreation Ground is FAR more suitable because it belongs with the other recreational facilities in Braidwood and does not isolate skateboarders on the other side of town. To desecrate the lovely Bicentennial Park would be a form of vandalism, depriving residents and visitors of a beautiful, peaceful park and making the lives of nearby residents extremely unpleasant. I have friends who live close by and they are devastated at the thought of a skatepark destroying their views and their peace and quiet. PLEASE dismiss the idea of using this location for the skatepark. I would welcome its presence at the Rec Ground.	The design for the Recreation Ground is entirely suitable for that location but any design at all for skateboarding in Bicentennial Park would be completely out of place with the character of the park. PLEASE put it in the Rec Ground where it would have more use and be close to other facilities.		1948
Braidwood Recreation Ground	It is the COMMUNITY RECREATION GROUND! Why should a family with several children have to cover two sites for family recreation? The Bicentennial park is too close to a number of private residences and DOESN'T have public toilets. The warm surface at the bicentennial site near the creek would provide great sunbathing sites for snakes and create a danger to users of the facility.	It should be designed for the younger generation to learn on and not provide advanced features that would be dangerous for small children or lead to their exclusion by older more aggressive skate boarders		1945
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Away from busy highway traffic	No		02.08.42

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Braidwood Recreation Ground	At the Braidwood Recreation Ground the skatepark would sit alongside a range of other outdoor facilities like the netball courts, oval and tennis courts. It would be part of a recreational hub. The Rec is an open, publicly visible space where children using the skatepark would be kept safer than if they were playing alongside a backroad in Bicentennial Park. The map in the consultants report is deceiving in not highlighting all of the access roads around the Recreation Ground. We don't need a regional scale venue - this is a small country town.	while Convic present great ideas for the skatepark design for both locations the site comparison analysis is inadequate and inappropriate to use to compare the two sites. I am at a loss to see how they could have scored the Rec Ground lower on criteria such as impact on existing users and frequency of anti-social behaviour. Bicentennial Park provides quiet secluded spots for personal contemplation and connection with nature. If there was anti-social behaviour going on in Bicentennial park you wouldn't even know about it because it would be hidden from view. This location is not compatible with a skateboard park - please put the skateboard alongside other sporting facilities - at the Rec Ground.	1972
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Most sensible in many ways. More child friendly area. Rec ground is already a hub, so we don't have to annoy the wildlife in other areas.		1960
Braidwood Recreation Ground	Because it is located near to other sporting facilities and to our home. The other location is too near the creek where there are snakes and the snakes are sure to find the concrete skatepark appealing to warm themselves in the sun. Children are more likely to be bitten down in that area, as plenty of dogs have been bitten in Bicentennial Park.	There should be a variety of levels, some harder aspects so that older kids will remain engaged.	1975
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	email submitted		18 10 1943
Braidwood Recreation Ground	This location (Recreation Ground) is a "no brainer" as all other recreational facilities are available at this location, eg oval, tennis courts, childrens' playground. It beats me why Council would even contemplate the Bicentennial Park as a location for the skate park, there is nothing else there to interest the kids/teens/adults. At least with the Recreational Grounds, if the skate park has too many participants, the others can go and kick a ball around the oval.	I don't see a "skate bowl" in the design. Is this not being contemplated?	09/03/19 51
Braidwood Recreation Ground	It would make more sense to keep all recreational activities in one area and as the Recreational Grounds already have ovals, tennis courts etc, it would be more practical to have the skate park here. The Bicentennial Park is too far out of the way and as such has no other facilities to keep kids occupied. Also there are no car parking spaces for visitors to Braidwood to use these facilities at the Bicentennial Park whereas there is enough car parking facilities at the Rec Grounds.	I have seen better skate park designs and I am sure Council could find better designs rather than take the one that Convic are putting forward.	26.4.194 5

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Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>Part of the sports precinct. The area is more open so security will be better.</p>		24/08/1979
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Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>I vote for Recreation Ground because it is highly compatible with existing uses, involves minimal impact to existing uses and the development would represent an enhancement of existing spatial values rather than a degrading of current values, as would be the case if the development takes place at Bicentennial Park. The Recreation Ground site has good connectivity with other activities and services, is well serviced by existing amenities, has good access and parking and is well able to accommodate larger events. It is a safe and central location with many other compatible activities occurring there and with greater local traffic and good visibility. There will be much less environmental impact if the development is located at Recreation Ground. This development at Bicentennial Park would be very damaging to existing uses of the park and the community's appreciation of the green space and the natural creek environment. Recreation Ground is already a hub of recreational activity and it would readily incorporate skating into the mix. The current location being used by local skaters is very close to the Recreation Ground site.</p>	<p>I am not a skater so can't really judge the schemes. I believe a skilled design team should be able to include the desired features into a well considered scheme at the Recreation Ground site. In Convic's proposal, there is no scale provided on the concept plan for Recreation Ground, while the Bicentennial Park concept is shown as being approximately 40m in length. A thorough comparison is not possible without scaled measurements for both proposals!</p> <p>I do feel the flood path in Recreation Ground Creek needs to be very carefully engaged with. A design where flood debris deposits are able to build up on the skate surface is not acceptable. The design of a facility at Recreation Ground will have to engage creatively with flooding and ensure water and debris it is directed through a piped drain, the upper side of which could be utilised as a skate feature. The current vehicle access to the tennis courts and new playground (off Araluen St) should be moved further south to ensure the largest possible area is available for the Skate Park within the space between the road, playground, edge of new playing field expansion and the rear of the Life Centre building and sporting sheds. Doing this would bring the edge of the Skate Park into a beneficial relationship with the mature tree. This will ensure ample space for a facility of a similar length to that indicated for Bicentennial Park. Continuation of the piping of the creek up to Araluen Street should be considered if this improves the scope for a design that better delivers appropriate skate features.</p>	46-55	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>Neither of the options for a skatepark in Braidwood, presented by Council, are ideal or even approach the ideal site. Both options will create noise pollution for residents and are unsafe for younger skaters as they are out of public view, so that acts of vandalism and possible attack can readily occur. Braidwood skaters are young people who do not participate in organised sports, but tend to be more creative kids. There have been earlier incidents of aggression against the skaters by the rough and tough elements and so it is important that the skatepark is visually public to safeguard the young people from such potential acts.</p> <p>The obvious omission of Ryrie Park as a possible site for a skatepark is an act of stubborn blindness on the part of Council to the needs of young people in Braidwood. The southern side of south Ryrie Park is not well used and has all the necessary requirements of a safe skatepark site for the very young to older high school aged skaters. It is close to both schools, noise will not impact residents, school truants are easily seen, police are readily available, council workers are there daily, toilets are close by and it is under constant visual supervision. QPRC has to understand that Braidwood is not the same as Queanbeyan or Bungendore. Braidwood has a strong sense of community, with concern and care for all of its citizens. We don't want to put our kids "out of sight and out of mind". We want to be able to protect them from bullying and facilitate their development into competent adults with a sense of responsibility and knowledge of their rights. We care for their welfare and wellbeing, yet neither of the options presented appear to consider these needs.</p> <p>The Bicentennial Park / Monkitee Creek option has been a passive green space for many years. There are platypus living and breeding in the creek along the park. This area is used by Tai Chi practitioners and classes, dog walkers and picnickers, parents and children. Many locals stop for a quiet contemplation of platypus when they are about. I observed two platypus in separate pools at the bottom of the park last week. This is one of the only two passive areas in Braidwood available to locals within walking distance in town and not just for passers-through; the other passive green space is along Bombay road in the Community garden area. A skatepark in Bicentennial Park would increase the pollution in the creek. Run off and associated littering have been an ongoing issue and to lose the platypus as a result of pollution would be an environmental loss that is hard to justify. Bicentennial Park has no toilet facilities and this would become a source of complaint and possible hygiene-pollution. There is no</p>	<p>Convic are renown for excellence in skate park design. The matrix they designed and used to assess suitability of sites suggests that council could have located a far better site. The features of the two designs incorporate many things that the kids were hoping for.</p>	1949	

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Braidwood Recreation Ground	Because there is infrastructure there already le toilets and parking Bicentennial park is quiet and relatively unspoilt It is home to platypuses ducks and off leach dogs And many locals why not just skate elements?			25.04.52
Bicentennial Park, McKellar Street	Mine is an evidence-based decision, as recommended by experts, in this case, Convic. While Bicentennial Park is not the ideal location for a skatepark (a more centrally located skate park would have been ideal), it has scored better in this report than the Rec Ground.		36-45	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	The Rec ground is a hub for sporting and recreational activities. My preference is for Bicentennial parkland to remain a green walking and wildlife space.	Just awareness of flood potential at the site.		28 Feb 47
Braidwood Recreation Ground	The Recreation Ground has seen significant upgrades which now make it a central sports hub for the town. I believe a skate park will add to the facilities there, and will encourage the perception and acceptance of skating activities as mainstream and suitable for all ages. With the new playground, and public toilets close by, this is a more suitable site than Bicentennial Park. Increased visibility across the site will help to make it a safer location. Increasing use of all sports facilities there will assist in making it a safe location. Bicentennial Park is valued by many community members as a beautiful green space for passive recreation. It has been developed by the community over the years, including many tree plantings and landscaping. It is a habitat for native animals including platypus. It is also the only off-leash area for dogs in the town. This use would be incompatible with a skate park. It is also more isolated, with limited passive surveillance, and is a long way from the nearest public toilets. I would like to see it preserved for quiet passive recreation.	I believe we need a skate park that suits our local population. It does not need to cater for regional competitions etc, as suggested by the consultants. The design needs to cater for different ages and abilities, and to suit the chosen site and the local demand. The consultations with local skaters should be used as a guide. Thank you for the opportunity to comment,	Over 65	
Braidwood Recreation Ground	The Rec Ground is not a nature reserve. It is already being built over so, is lost as a green space. Ryrie Park, now called Bicentennial Park lower down, has a deep natural pond with a platypus resident, is near an old swimming site and offers peace and solitude to residents. However both plans are flawed, as they are both on Braidwood Flood Plain.	The developer is probably Sydney based. Its planners seem unacquainted with local needs, having seemingly consulted neither a local hydrologist nor geologist, who would have noted the flooding dangers. The Rec Ground was flooded recently because while surrounding houses are on stumps, the new Life Centre there was built flat, and suffered accordingly. The other site is apparently also prone to flooding. Some say that local and wider interests pushing one or the other site; but only a local, neutral expert can and must decide. Many feel that a concrete carbuncle on flood-prone green spaces, eg either of the sites proposed, will end in cracked cement, later slurry liable to block waterways. There are other sites beyond the flood plain. Enthusiasts or their parents can surely drive a little out of town?		1947
Braidwood Recreation Ground	The rec ground has had significant improvements since the earlier plans to build a skate park. With the new playground and upgraded BMX track, the site is much more suitable than it would have been previously. I know many families with young children who have said they prefer the rec ground for convenience.	I was one of the parents who fought against the previous planned skate park at the Rec ground. My reasons included that the small budget and lack of community engagement was a message to the skate community that they were not important. Shoving a skate park in a spare spot with no consultation about what the skaters wanted was a terrible idea, and sent a poor message to the youth that they were not included. The current process of community consultation and the new proposed design shows the skate community that they are getting something of value. We would be proud to have this skate park in town, regardless of where it's placed. Placing at the Rec Ground allows for even more people to be introduced to skating and to empower an entire community, of all ages, in healthy, outdoor play.	26-35	

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<p>Braidwood Recreation Ground</p>	<p>Because it is much more suitable to a range of activities nearby, not only but including human activities. Elderly Braidwood residents now enjoy observing platypus in the creek at McKellar St. Neither those residents in their twilight years, nor those remarkable creatures, would cope well with the noise of the skatepark. Existing users of the Rec Ground often create noise. Toilets are much closer at Rec Ground (apart from the Life Centre there is a toilet at the petrol station on the corner of Lascalles and Wallace Sts, which is much closer than any public toilets to McKellar St). The Rec Ground is much closer to most shops. Rec Ground is generally less secluded so any concerns re safety of the skaters (e.g. after accident, or from nasty strangers) are likely to be less there. A key factor is the proximity of the Ambulance Station (next to petrol station). This is less than 200 metres from the Rec Ground site. While most skaters may be proficient on their boards, there is bound to be an element of risk linked to a potentially serious injury. Even if all other factors were equal (which they are not), the proximity of the Rec Ground to the Ambulance station is a decisive factor favouring the Rec Ground. The saga about the proposed skatepark has gone on for quite some time. Council's previous decision was to build it at the Rec Ground. An alternative site now would appear very strange.</p>	<p>With all due respect, the consultant from "Convic" who prepared the document seems poorly educated regarding grammar and depicting trees in imaginative or semi-realistic ways. On p 5 there is a wayward apostrophe (it's = it is). On p 19 in the first line of the second para the word communities should read community's. (There are enough people in Richmond VIC who know how to spell for simple errors such as those to have been eliminated.) More seriously the depiction of trees in the designs is woeful. Taken literally, the McKellar St site (in Convic's image) seems to have been denuded of trees. Is that really part of their design, i.e. to cut down all the trees at the McKellar St parkland, or are they just city slickers with no idea of where the wind blows in Braidwood? While the design at the Rec Ground is clearly better, a lot of the trees near that location were recently cut down (much more than was needed for the drainage activity there, though that is another story). Trees are important for shade. It is possible that they may even soak up some noise from the skatepark, although I doubt that this hypothesis has yet been scientifically tested. Anyway, more trees are clearly needed at the Rec Ground so that should be part of the final design there. The other point the planners need to be fully aware of is the flood level at the Rec Ground. The construction of the skatepark should be such that it cannot be damaged by flooding, as occurred on 7 Feb 2019, when the flood water went in the western door of the Life Centre building. Given the current building activities near the creek (re drainage) it is probable that the skatepark at the Rec Ground could be designed (e.g. being put lower into the ground, with good drainage toward Flood Ck direction = SW) in such a way that this facility improves rather than diminishes the flood mitigation risk at that location. This might benefit people living opposite the Rec Ground in Araluen St, and be a mitigating factor in them accepting a rather noisy skatepark there. It is vital that the final design of the skatepark be prepared in consultation with existing users of the Rec Ground, most especially the Braidwood Life Centre.</p>		<p>1962</p>
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<p>Neither location is preferred.</p>	<p>Following Queanbeyan Palerang Regional Council's recent community consultation regarding a skate park for Braidwood, the Braidwood and Villages Business Chamber would like to highlight the significant business opportunities that a well thought out skate park, cleverly located, could provide to Braidwood businesses.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Skate parks attract families and a broad cross-section of age groups.• Skate boarding has been popular since the 1970's. Although predominantly younger, like surfing, significant numbers of people in their 30's, 40's and even 50's still skate.• Skaters will travel considerable distances and even make skate park visits part of their travel plans• It is well documented that skate park tourists spend money on refreshments, meals, supermarket goods and fuel.• Local skaters combined with skate park tourists will provide a significant boost to local food outlets• Where the skate park is conveniently located close to shops, parents of skaters often wander off to the shops whilst their teens are skating.• Parents of skaters and older skate park tourists make non-food purchases in the same way as general tourists <p>It is well documented that skate parks located in busy, populated areas are offered passive security by adjacent activity and offer passive security to the immediate location for the same reason.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All the major skate park design firms advise locating skate parks in locations of high civic value as they are used more and valued more• Skate park tourism is a year-round activity• Income from skaters in the quieter winter months will assist Braidwood businesses in the colder months when trade slows down significantly• Activities which can increase Braidwood's business activity, enhance Braidwood's heritage value as they help to secure the businesses which pay rent to the landlords who are more able and willing to maintain the buildings which comprise the heritage streetscape. <p>With the above points in mind, we ask QPRC to give serious consideration to locating a skate park closer into the centre of town where our local businesses, collectively a major employer and source of income into this community, may positively benefit from a potentially significant new source of income.</p> <p>We understand that the previously proposed site at Ryrie Park did not attract support from</p>
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<p>Braidwood Recreation Ground</p>	<p>Braidwood Skate Park Proposals</p> <p>Having had the opportunity to read the information on Council's website regarding the above proposal I am concerned about the scant detail provided in the Site Selection Report which seems to lack any understanding regarding the original concept of the Bicentennial Park with its intention for use in perpetuity by locals and visitors as quiet green space with its native plantings to attract fauna and display local flora.</p> <p>The weight/ support given to the construction of the skate facility and the anticipated future extensions of that facility totally negate the above concept.</p> <p>While the report poses numerous questions for consideration there is no detail as to how the conclusions reached were obtained. The results seem purely arbitrary and subjective with no detail to support them. It must also be said that some of the criteria are disproportional to what was initially proposed as a facility for local youth.</p> <p>For the construction of a skate park within the confines of Bicentennial Park and to contemplate a skate rink would in effect create a 2nd Recreation Precinct in competition with the existing facility.</p> <p>Accordingly I am strongly opposed to the Council adopting the proposal for the park to be constructed at Bicentennial Park.</p> <p>Notwithstanding I would however support the skate park being sited at the Recreation Grounds as the majority of the criteria for a successful local facility are already in existence there in particular availability/access to food vendors, water and toilet services as well as the BMX, sporting facilities and open spaces.</p> <p>Yours sincerely Robert Greig 31 Wilson Street Braidwood</p>			
<p>Braidwood Recreation Ground</p>	<p>Submission re Skate Park in Braidwood</p> <p>I am a person who walks for 50-60 minutes early each morning and as such I have the opportunity to notice the natural environment as I walk.</p> <p>Braidwood is a beautiful town and as it was settled early in the 19th century, the buildings and plantings reflect this. The majority of trees in both private gardens and as street plantings are deciduous European species, particularly blossom trees and especially crabapples. They are beautiful and I congratulate council for the new plantings at the Bombay Road park and for maintaining the path from Garvey Street down across the creek to Bombay Road.</p> <p>However there is a lack of habitat for small native birds. Introduced sparrows and, increasingly, starlings are everywhere in Braidwood. The large native birds - ravens, currawongs, magpies, corellas, cockatoos, galahs, king parrots and crimson rosellas - make good use of the introduced trees. There are few plantings of native trees apart from some street trees in Elrington and Monkittee Streets and a few trees and shrubs in some private gardens. Small woodland birds need cover and protection from larger birds and other predators.</p> <p>The ideal place for small native birds is Bicentennial Park. This is the only place where I have heard native birds. Bicentennial Park was planted with native shrubs in 1998 by members of the Braidwood Urban Landcare Group with assistance from GreenCorps. I don't know if the understory plantings have been maintained by council in the past but there is very little understory now as what is there has grown.</p> <p>I propose that council should investigate renewed planting of native shrubs such as hakeas, callistemons, acacias, banksias and grevilleas to extend small bird habitat in Bicentennial Park and make it a beautiful park for residents and visitors alike.</p>	<p>I oppose the location of the proposed Skate Park at Bicentennial Park for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There is existing infrastructure at the Recreation Ground to support use of a skate park such as toilets and parking. 2. There are other sporting facilities at the Recreation Ground such as tennis courts and basketball court. 3. There is children's play equipment at the Recreation Ground, providing an environment for whole family use and enjoyment. 4. The recreation ground is closer to the new dwellings in South Braidwood, with their younger families. 5. The Recreation Ground is closer to the IGA supermarket, bakery and cafes, as well as the rumoured 1 Kings Highway development. 6. There is safer pedestrian access to the Recreation Ground. <p>Bicentennial Park is a place of quiet enjoyment and contemplation of nature. A skate park will destroy this. For this reason and the others above I am against the construction of the skate park in Bicentennial Park.</p>		

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<p>Braidwood Recreation Ground</p>	<p>Item - Braidwood Skate Park Heritage Status - Part of NSW State listed Braidwood Conservation Area – Residential within historic town boundary Matter - The Braidwood Skate Park Site Selection Report was presented to the Braidwood HAC by Debbie Sibbick on 10.10.19. This advice arises from discussions thereafter. Advice - Two potential sites are identified, the Recreation Ground and Bicentennial Park. The Bicentennial Park site is the recommended site. Bicentennial Park is part of the Former Police Paddock which is identified as Precinct 6 in the Braidwood Conservation Area. The Braidwood DCP outlines that the objective for conservation of this precinct is to retain its important historic, aesthetic, social and technical significance by continuing to be used for low intensity development, primarily as open space for grazing. I note that the area of Bicentennial Park is not used for grazing, rather it has been developed over the last 20 or so years as a pleasant treed reserve adjacent to the creek. I note there are several exercise stations discretely grouped within the park but consider these to be a relatively low intensity activity. In my opinion the construction of a Skate Park in this location has the potential to have a detrimental impact on heritage significance. I believe it is not a low intensity development and will have substantial visual and acoustic impacts. I also note that is closer than the desired 50m minimum distance from houses in McKellar St. I would prefer that the Skate Park be located at the Rec Ground. Although not currently a site under consideration I believe there is scope for a skate park in Ryrie Park North adjacent to the swimming pool, subject to appropriate design and landscaping. David Hobbes Heritage Advisor 16/10/19</p>			
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Braidwood Greens submission on skateboard park proposal for Bicentennial Park
The Braidwood Greens fully support the provision of a skate park for the town but believe that Bicentennial Park is an entirely inappropriate place for it. We also believe that the recreation ground is not ideal, though a slightly less worse option.
We oppose the option of Bicentennial Park for the following reasons:

- Bicentennial Park is a quiet, beautiful green space near residential properties
- Its current usages are well established – leash-free dog walking, tai chi, outdoor gym, informal picnic area
- Siting of a park here may cause increased traffic and speeding issues
- There is no pedestrian crossing for people coming from the north-western end of town over what is the Wallace St section of the Kings Highway, a major thoroughfare and very busy at times
- The park is adjacent to a creek which is a platypus habitat
- There are European heritage issues for the placement of such a facility here, and there has been no investigation of whether there may be Aboriginal heritage issues also
- It is close to the edge, rather than in the middle of town
- There are no public toilets in the vicinity
- The land is part of the riparian zone and part of the Sydney water catchment
- The land is within the flood planning area and there has been no flood impact report
- It is an isolated site without adequate oversight

In conclusion, we believe that not enough care has been given to consideration of suitable sites and the reasons they may be suitable/unsuitable.
Thankyou for the opportunity to make a submission,
Catherine Moore
on behalf of Braidwood Greens
October 17, 2019

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<p>Braidwood Recreation Ground</p>	<p>I am writing to give feedback on the concept designs for a potential skate park in Braidwood.</p> <p>Deciding on the location of a skate park in a historic town such as Braidwood is difficult and should be approached with great care and after much consultation with all members of the community.</p> <p>I oppose siting the skate park in Bicentennial Park. Firstly, the purpose of that park is appreciation and enjoyment of the natural environment. The presence of a skate park there would conflict with current uses. Secondly, the site is not in the public eye which allows the possibility of anti-social behaviour. Thirdly, it is off the tourist trail and therefore unlikely to be used as much.</p> <p>The Rec Ground option is a better fit in many ways, but, as above, it is off the tourist trail. However there would be better oversight of activities there, due to being surrounded by housing. And a skate park fits well with a site used regularly for sport and recreation.</p> <p>Council has not presented Ryrie Park (northern end) as an option for the skate park. To me it is the obvious site, given that it is in a built-up area, close to the schools and shops, and next to the pool where concrete is also the main feature. It is a prominent site for tourism and well-attended at most times on weekdays and weekends. In Queanbeyan there is a popular skate park next to the pool, also on a main road.</p> <p>I note that in the Consultants' report there is mention of research into existing skate parks in Canberra and Batemans Bay, yet Bungendore is not mentioned even though the skate park there was designed for a wide range of ages, so that it's suitable for beginners and older more experienced skaters and BMX riders. I wonder if QPRC has looked into the Skate Park establishment process in Bungendore as it provides a useful model.</p> <p>Bungendore Skate Park was a community-driven project with widespread consultation, lots of fund-raising and considerable effort towards creating a facility that would be used to the</p>			
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<p>Braidwood Recreation Ground</p>	<p>We commend the Council on its commissioning of the report and the opportunity that it has provided for interested rate payers and other citizens to provide comment in response to the report. We are concerned, though, that the report has failed in its assessment on criteria numbered Five (Impact on existing facilities, adjoining uses and users) and Six ('distance from housing and incompatible land use'). Our objections we outline as follows:</p> <p>(1) The Failure of the Assessment to Recognise the Likely Magnitude and Impact of Noise from Use of a Skate Park at the Bicentennial Park on the Adjacent Residential Homes. We note that the Bicentennial Park and McKellar Street on its Southern flank are at present largely quiet areas of Braidwood, aside from Canberra rat-runners racing to and from the beach via McKellar and Elrington streets on either side the weekend and the occasional heavy lorries avoiding the challenges of the main street. We note also that the Bicentennial Park and its bordering McKellar Street, on the upper side of which are residential dwellings, are situated in and aligned along a substantial valley through which flows Gillamatong Creek. That situation creates a sound-shell effect, in which sound is deflected up the sides of the valley - on the South side over McKellar Street and the residential dwellings above it - and is seemingly magnified in volume. The notion used as a standard in the site assessment of the houses being safely remote from nuisance sound arising from the proposed skate park because they are at least 50 meters distant is thus an egregious misuse of an entirely inappropriate standard. Demonstrably, the nuisance sound from other skate-board parks is of a very high order: the noise from the wheels alone is substantial, punctuated repeatedly with loud bangs from boards landing on aerial manoeuvres. The participants' repeated shouts of joy, encouragement, amazement and criticism are necessarily also at high volume, both from the emotion of the engagement and so that they can be heard over the skate-board noise and the extremely loud music that is often broadcast as part of the engagement. Given the situation of the proposed skate park in the Bicentennial Park, that noise would be overwhelmingly intrusive and health-threatening to persons living in the houses above and beyond McKellar Street.</p> <p>(2) The Failure of the Assessment to Acknowledge the Present Extensive use of the Bicentennial Park for Passive Recreation. The Bicentennial Park has been maintained by the Council until recently largely by mowing the grass at appropriate intervals and removing fallen branches on such-like. More recently, the Council has extended the mowed area to embrace the previously overgrown Western end of the Park, which has enlarged the publicly usable space. That use has long been of major significance to both local residents and visitors. It may best be described formally as 'passive recreation': individuals, families and small groups walking, sitting, stretching, reflecting, contemplating, enjoying the tranquility, the trees, the creek, the wildlife and the seeming remoteness from urban bustle. The Park offers a unique opportunity for such recreation in Braidwood. There is, in other words, no other such space in the town that is so accessible, not only to those able to drive, but also those on foot, cycle or with mobility assistance. We urge the Council to recognise that it has a duty to the citizens of Braidwood to provide and maintain such a space: a duty underlined by the growing number of both elderly residents and those with small children. The proposed skate park would not only take away an important grassed area of the Park from passive recreational use, it would substantially destroy the features of the remaining Park area that provide for such recreation. (3) The Failure of the Proposal to Recognise the likely Impact of the Proposed Skate Park on the Bicentennial Park as a Wildlife Haven. The site impact assessments have not apparently given any serious consideration of the likely impact of the proposed skate park on the natural history and wildlife of the area. Treeplanting in the Park and natural regenerative growth along the Creek have progressively enhanced its value as a wildlife haven. While none of the many bird species that frequent the Park may be seen sensibly as dependent on it for their survival, it nevertheless clearly serves as much-needed oasis for them, and their presence transforms the Park into an enchanting space. The platypus that have lived and nested in Gillamatong Creek beside the Park are testament to the Park's special nature and they add to the joy that quiet observers obtain from seeing them feeding and playing in the Creek. Without doubt, the noise from the proposed skate park in the Bicentennial Park would render the Park uninhabitable to platypus, the platypus being one of the few species that generally inhabit</p>	<p>(4) The failure of the Proposal to Take into Consideration the Intentions for the Bicentennial Park at the Time of its Creation. The Bicentennial Park was created as a public space to recognise and honour the two centuries of settlement and development since the arrival of the first fleet of settlers in New South Wales. Its creation was part of the Commonwealth/State Bicentennial Commemorative Program. It stands in recognition of those who have worked over the two centuries - including both settlers and Indigenous peoples - to make Braidwood the heritage town that has become. And it stands in recognition of the importance of the natural environment to the development of the town and peoples of Braidwood. As such, the Park stands as a recognition of Braidwood as the heart of its rural district. That recognition is reflected in memorial plaques honouring individuals (Judith Wright, Carina Clarke, Neil Waddell, and John Loveday) and in tree plantings honouring our ancestors as whole. It is reflected also in the proudly recorded work of the Braidwood Landcare Group and the Green Corps who have worked to sensitively facilitate the natural development of the Park, so that it serves its intended purpose. Bicentennial Parks in other towns across the country have been developed to embrace a diversity of modern-day recreational interests - including skate-boarding - but those parks are noticeably either much larger than is Braidwood's (and hence are able to readily accommodate multiple uses) or they are in districts that do not have the particular rural and natural history that characterise Braidwood. We argue that the relatively small size of the Braidwood's Bicentennial Park renders it unable to accommodate contemporary recreational interests like skate-boarding without destroying its special character and meaning to the people of Braidwood. In Conclusion We also take this opportunity to respectfully suggest that this proposal might be used by the Council as an opportunity to give serious consideration to providing appropriate facilities in and management of the Bicentennial Park to support and enhance its current usage for passive recreation - such as the installation of appropriately placed and spaced seating, the conversion of McKellar and Elrington streets to local-traffic-only roads, continuing and furthering the recently enhanced maintenance of the park, further</p>	
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<p>Braidwood Recreation Ground</p>	<p>Subject: Braidwood Skatepark - location and design</p> <p>Firstly I would like to thank the team members in Braidwood who are doing a terrific job day to day, improving, and keeping our small township in good order.</p> <p>I would also like to see a real win-win outcome for Braidwood residents by locating any proposed skatepark within the upgraded Recreation Ground area.</p> <p>ie. deliver skating facilities for the children and youth of Braidwood, and, retain the natural beauty of the Bicentennial Park which is arguably the most pristine natural creek and open space area accessible by the public for passive recreation in Braidwood.</p> <p>I also think the proposed design for the Recreation Ground is more innovative in that it effectively uses the existing creek contour lines, as opposed to extensive bulldozing being required elsewhere.</p> <p>Additionally, I have reviewed the Convic Site Assessment report, and am very troubled by what I read. This assessment is seriously flawed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The natural environment and heritage value of Bicentennial Park is not taken into account • Current passive recreational uses of Bicentennial Park have not been considered. ie walking, quiet exercise, off leash dog walking, wildlife observation, meditation and yoga groups use. • Essential infrastructure and amenities now established in the Recreation ground are not duly prioritised and weighted (toilets, parking, canteen facilities) • New family friendly recreational facilities established at the Recreation Ground have not been duly weighted (BMX track, playcentre, basketball/netball hoop, tennis courts.) • The growth area of the town is south of the Recreation Ground making the Rec Ground far more central in the coming years. • Weightings around access and safety are fully arguable and contentious <p>A key factor appears to be the Convic (skatepark builders) view that a larger Region event sized skatepark could be fitted into the Bicentennial Park area.....definitely not what the Braidwood citizens are being asked to comment on or need.</p> <p>In summary, I urge Council to seek a win-win outcome for Braidwood residents, by locating a terrific skatepark in the Recreation Ground area, and retaining the natural beauty of Bicentennial Park as the passive recreation area.</p> <p>Sincerely</p>			
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Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>This communication is a letter of objection to the idea of a Skatepark located in Bicentennial Park between the residential housing along McKellar Street and Monkitee Creek.</p> <p>This area was landscaped in 2000-2002 through the planning efforts and hard labour of the Braidwood Urban Landcare Group. Since then plants, originally planted as tube stock, have matured into valuable trees and shrubs to provide important habitat for birds and small animals. The creek itself is a haven for a diverse range of animal life from platypus (Michael sighted one for several minutes on morning of 2nd October) and ducks to coots and frogs etc. This area has also become the site for a tree planted in memory of Judith Wright and the planting of a group of trees to mark World Refugee Day in 2004. It has also become the site of an information panel about the achievements of Landcare and for the placement of a large rock with a metal plaque in memory of the Landcare heroes Carina Clarke (Windellama), Neil Waddell (Upper Deua) and John Loveday (Bombay).</p> <p>In the last decade especially the Park facilities have been enhanced by the addition of gym equipment. Over time, too, it has become a favourite place for people, locals and visitors passing through Braidwood, to stroll through the open parkland, often with dogs. Importantly, Council has designated it as an off-leash area, the only such area in Braidwood. It is also regularly used by a group of Tai Chi enthusiasts. All these activities have a low impact on Bicentennial Park. They don't degrade or change the environment in the manner of the proposed skate park.</p> <p>Bicentennial Park, located very close to residential housing, has attributes that are completely out of context with the demands of a skatepark. From the Site Assessment Report (Appendix 2.1, page 19/21 of Site Selection Report & pages 13-15/21 of Draft Concept Report), it appears as if the Landcare Information Panel and related structures will need to be relocated. This is not acceptable.</p> <p>The authors of the Consultant's Assessment Report obviously display little regard for the achievements of Landcare.</p> <p>The needs of a skatepark would be much better served if it was located at the existing recreation ground between Keder and Bowler Streets. This is an area well served by public toilets, generous car parking spaces and other sporting facilities such as football, tennis and netball. This location has all the attributes required for the ideal skate park site.</p>			
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Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>I would like to register my preference for the Recreation Ground site, and register my strong objection to construction of a skatepark in the Braidwood Bicentennial Park. I have listed my concerns and reasons</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flawed Site Assessment report —biased to skatepark developer point of view - no obvious environmental or heritage input. • Bicentennial Park is a key element in Braidwood's heritage listing - the Park and Police Paddock zone provide a clear definition between the town and surrounding countryside. A skatepark in this space is contrary to Braidwood's heritage value and should not be located there. • This park was established by and for the citizens of Braidwood as a quiet area of greenspace, creek habitat, and trees to be preserved for future generations to enjoy. A concrete skatepark does not belong here. • This is a significant wildlife habitat and viewing area with resident platypus, waterbirds and reptiles providing delight to all those who patiently and quietly observe them. A skatepark would ruin this important aspect of the Park. • Bicentennial Park is the main off leash dog walking area in town and regularly used by walkers and quiet exercise groups. A skatepark is incompatible with these uses and jeopardises use as the off leash dog area. • Bicentennial Park is located on the town's perimeter, without paved access or regular oversight or management at night. The Recreation Ground is now a more central and family friendly area for skateboarding activities. • There are no facilities available in Bicentennial Park to facilitate general family ie. toilets, canteen/café, parking, BMX track, basketball/netball hoop, tennis, family playcentre. These are now built and open for business in the Recreation Ground. • The Recreation Ground is now closer to the demographic centre of Braidwood as major new housing developments are approved and constructed on the southern side of town. Looking to the future, this is where the towns recreation facilities will be most needed. • Bicentennial Park is further from the main supermarket and cafes than the Recreation Ground, and, has no pedestrian crossing of the Kings highway on the northern side of town. With proposed improvements to the Lascelles Street / Kings Highway intersection, there will be 			
Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>I wish to register my support for the concept design and construction of a skate park at the Braidwood Recreation Ground and my objection to any skate park or similar facility being constructed at Bicentennial Park. The Braidwood Recreation Ground already has the infrastructure and similar sporting focus to support a skate park whereas Bicentennial Park has none.</p> <p>The advisory report which recommends Bicentennial Park makes no mention of the present community uses of Bicentennial Park including dog walking, tai chi groups and the simple pleasures of walking in a peaceful green space. The construction and use of a skate park and the infrastructure identified as needed to support it would mean the end of a suitable location for these activities. It would result in a radical change to the character of the park and flies in the face of the time and effort that members of the community have put into making the park the tranquil place it is today.</p> <p>No one would want to deny the opportunity for skate boarders to enjoy their sport but not at the expense of the many others for whom the green space, one of the few remaining in town, is a valued and much used community asset.</p> <p>Robert Crombie</p>			

9.1 Community Consultation Results on Skate Park Concept and Location - Braidwood
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Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>We write further to the above topic and note that there are currently two proposed sites under consideration by QPRC: the Recreation Ground and Bicentennial Park.</p> <p>While recognising the desire to create a skatepark in Braidwood, we would like to register our preference for the Recreation Ground.</p> <p>Bicentennial Park is a haven of tranquility with the creek running alongside it being home to wildlife and is bordered closely on the south side by houses whose owners would be severely impacted by the siting of a skatepark there.</p> <p>A skatepark needs room to "breathe" and Bicentennial Park does not have a natural space for this kind of construction.</p> <p>The Recreation Ground has several advantages for the siting of the proposed skatepark and the increase in sporting activities: space, the distance from houses, lighting, toilet amenities and parking, among other existing facilities.</p> <p>Please acknowledge our strong support for the Recreation Ground as the site for the proposed skatepark.</p> <p>Thank you Keith Potger and Elizabeth Hawkes 85 Wallace Street, Braidwood</p>			
Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>We cannot quite believe that someone has put forward Bicentennial Park as a preferred site to the Recreation Ground, for a skate park! This lovely park was planted out by the Braidwood Landcare Group some years ago, and the resulting trees, shrubs, and great rocks for seating makes for a delightful entrance to the Town, used by many folks for dog walking and training, Tai Chi, exercise groups and just people needing a peaceful getaway.</p> <p>My brother and I share a house at the end of Mackellar Street, and we use this park a great deal, as George requires a wheelchair to go about, and we enjoy going often to the park where it is quiet and safe.</p> <p>Apart from all that, the residential housing is so close, that we imagine the noise of a skate park at their front doors would upset the owners. There are no toilet facilities in the park, not to mention the lack of parking, and a pedestrian crossing would be required for safety, seating, sun cover and new gutters in Mackellar Street.</p> <p>We doubt the original Landcare Group who put so much work into beautifying this end of town would appreciate their fine concept being wrecked in this way.</p> <p>We say a definite NO to a skate park situated here.</p>			

9.1 Community Consultation Results on Skate Park Concept and Location - Braidwood
 Attachment 1 - Braidwood Skate Park - Consultation Responses (Continued)

		<p>I refer to the Braidwood Skate Park Draft Concept Report that has been carried out by the company called CONVIC and submitted to the Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council for consideration.</p> <p>The report has assessed the two possible locations in Braidwood which are at the Recreation Grounds and at Bicentennial Park and says on page 37 that: "the site assessment works have demonstrated that the Bicentennial Park site is most appropriate for a new skate park".</p> <p>I make this submission because I do not think that the Bicentennial Park location is suitable for a skate park. It does appear that aspects of the park environment that have significance to the residents, to the town and to the environment have been ignored or not properly addressed and that an appropriate and thorough review has not been undertaken.</p> <p>The omission of significant and important factors does raise questions about the completeness of the advice that has been provided to the council in the CONVIC report. I draw these items to the attention of any persons who are involved in reading the CONVIC report and who rely on it to make a decision on the possible location of the skate park. Key points to note are as follows:</p> <p>1 - Bicentennial Park is a flourishing natural area encompassing trees, shrubs, wetland areas and natural grasses which borders the Gillamatong Creek and is the environment for platypus, ducks, birdlife, snakes and insects. A walk through the park at any time of the day and particularly in the morning or evening demonstrates</p>		
Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>I wish to comment that I believe the location for the proposed skate park should be at the Recreational Ground (Araluen and Keder Sts). The Rec Ground is close to the shops, has facilities such as lighting, toilets, playing fields, basket ball court etc. It also has parking space. It has recently had the creek boxed in to a culvert and is reasonably central. Bicentennial Park has none of these features – it is a quiet area for relaxation and contemplation with bird life and platypus. The consultants preferred location seems to have been assessed using peculiar weightings. It doesn't appear to have given any consideration to heritage values or the vista seen as visitors approach from the north.</p>			

9.1 Community Consultation Results on Skate Park Concept and Location - Braidwood
 Attachment 1 - Braidwood Skate Park - Consultation Responses (Continued)

<p>Braidwood Recreation Ground</p>	<p>I am writing regarding Council's request for feedback on the proposed design and recommended location of a skate park for Braidwood and to register my preference for site 01 Braidwood Recreation Ground and my strong opposition to such a facility at site 02 Bicentennial Park.</p> <p>I have read the Convac reports which recommend site 02 Bicentennial Park as the preferred location and believe this advice is seriously flawed. Specifically -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * the report places excessive value on the need for the facility to be as large as possible with the potential for future expansion and so the assessment loadings significantly favour site 02. Braidwood is a small town and we must provide for our youth but the demographic projections for Braidwood are for an older population not a younger one, so one would question the need for anything larger than the design proposed for site 01. * The report significantly undervalues the importance of maximising existing facilities and integrating the skate park and its users into the broader community activity based at the Recreation Ground. It also fails to consider the additional costs of replicating facilities and infrastructure at Bicentennial Park. * A site on the edge of town is a security nightmare. Practically, it cannot be manned at all hours so efforts to ensure physical safety, protect young children and youth and deter its misuse and abuse will inevitably involve yet more intrusions on the general amenity of the area. * In considering access issues and the relative merits of both sites, the report ignores the fact that growth in Braidwood is greatest in the south-east quarter where the recreation Ground is located. The north-east sector where Bicentennial Park is located is separate from the other three quarters of the town by the Kings Highway on both its western and southern sides. * The report ignores the heritage classification of the area in which Bicentennial Park is located. Residents in this quarter of town are subject to strict compliance rules when it comes to renovation or building that has an impact on the heritage character of the area. A skate park and associated parking provision, lights and other infrastructure is totally at odds with this. 			
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Attachment 1 - Braidwood Skate Park - Consultation Responses (Continued)

Braidwood Recreation Ground	<p>To begin this submission, I want to express my appreciation for the design consultation process, especially where it has enabled young people a direct input to this process.</p> <p>I also want to stress how important it is that the community are delivered this facility as soon as feasible, as currently the community's youth are forced to skate in very unsuitable circumstances, and they deserve much better.</p> <p>As a built environment design professional, a parent of 3 school-aged children and a person actively involved with young people, I vigorously support the option for location of the proposed skate park at the Recreation Ground.</p> <p>I believe it is a more appropriate location for several reasons as explained below.</p> <p>In brief, these reasons are:</p> <p>1) Recreation Ground is suitable because it:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Is highly compatible with existing uses;b. Is well serviced by existing amenities;c. Has good connectivity with other activities and services;d. Involves minimal impact to existing uses;e. Represents an enhancement of existing spatial values;f. Has good access and parking;g. Is well able to accommodate larger events. <p>2) Bicentennial Park is unsuitable because it:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Is isolated from existing related activities;b. Is poorly equipped with amenities and other services;c. Will have high negative ecological impacts;d. Involves high impact on existing uses and residents;e. Involves loss of valuable open space;f. Has numerous associated safety risks;			
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<p>Braidwood Recreation Ground</p>	<p>BULG and Bicentennial Park</p> <p>The Braidwood Urban Landcare Group (BULG) has well over twenty years of experience planning and implementing community projects in the public spaces along Braidwood's Creeks. Our goal has been to increase the public amenity of the three creeks that flow through Braidwood and support the natural values of these areas, including water quality and habitat for plants and animals.</p> <p>BULG planned, coordinated and lead the planting of the native trees and shrubs in 1999 that has created the peaceful, secluded, close-to-nature ambience that you now experience when you walk through Bicentennial Park. We constructed the public path along Bombay Road and up to Garvey Street and built the bridge that allows this path to cross over Flood Creek. We created the Community Gardens and instigated the constructions of play and exercise equipment, plantings and seating in this area. With a demonstrated commitment to supporting amenity of public spaces for the local Braidwood community we are well placed to consider an appropriate location for a new public space facility.</p> <p>BULG appreciate the challenges of selecting an appropriate site for new facilities. Public spaces are complicated – there are multiple value sets, different demographics with different needs as well as environmental values and constraints. We understand this because of the extensive planning and consultation we undertook before commencing work in Braidwood's public spaces.</p> <p>In the late 90's BULG gathered information on willow and creek management and circulated a brochure on the issue to the residents of Braidwood. We undertook survey work along all of the creeks to establish the values and issues of the natural environment. We circulated a questionnaire to gather community thoughts on how they valued the creek environments and what concerns they had about the creeks. We summarised all this information into a poster display which was exhibited at the National Theatre. We then ran an ideas day designed to gather public views and then wrote a detailed management plan for Braidwood's Creeks with all of the community input and information gathered. With a sound understanding of community views and needs, and the characteristics of the creeks, we then commissioned a design plan for planting in</p>			
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		<p>Location of Braidwood Skate Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Information provided in current community consultation is so light on detail it does not appear to be a serious proposal. There is simply insufficient detail to be able to make an informed decision.<input type="checkbox"/> Is it rather, I suspect, a tactic to generate positive community feeling towards location at the Recreation Ground, a location which has previously proved unpopular with a large section of the community; the section who will actually use it<input type="checkbox"/> The suggestion of Bicentennial Park appears chosen to generate outrage and fear. It has succeeded in generating fear and unwarranted stress....to the older residents who live close to Bicentennial Park. I find this somewhat callous and inappropriate <p>Just in case you're serious...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Bicentennial Park was created as a peaceful open area where residents can let their dogs off the lead and wander along an attractive section of Monkittee Creek. It offers tranquility and shade<input type="checkbox"/> It is also the location of the outdoor gym, a popular facility with young and old alike. It is the location for Tai-Chi practice throughout the year<input type="checkbox"/> Bicentennial Park is located at the northern end of the Heritage Precinct and as such provides a natural boundary between the built area of the Georgian grid and the rural curtilage<input type="checkbox"/> Bicentennial Park provides an attractive open outlook to the residents who live in MacKellar Street. A skate park would alter that view dramatically<input type="checkbox"/> Ample parking would need to be provided as people travel from other towns to use different skate parks. This would further impinge on the current amenity of the location<input type="checkbox"/> Both local people and those who travel from elsewhere to use the skate park require refreshments offered by local cafes and bakeries. Neither location offers easy access to those thereby depriving our local businesses of useful opportunities, especially in wintertime when business is much slower		
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9.1 Community Consultation Results on Skate Park Concept and Location - Braidwood
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<p>I would like to register my concern regarding the proposed Skate Park in Bicentennial Park. In 1998, Bicentennial Park consisted of one tree and two mounds of dirt. The Braidwood Urban Landcare Group (of which I was President at the time) put a submission to Tallaganda Shire Council for the development of the park. This proposal was accepted by council who then worked with our group over a two to three year program of clearing willows from the creek and establishing a planting program. As part of this development, the Landcare group also undertook surveys of the area to identify the flood zone so that the plantings would not impede flood flow or cause any impact up or downstream. The current skate park proposal I believe is within the flood zone we identified. We also consulted extensively with the local residents to ensure the plantings would not impede their view of the creek and the rural land opposite as well as Braidwood Wilson's Hill and grave site.</p> <p>The purpose of the proposal was to provide an area for contemplation and reflection. This has been achieved as locals and visitors alike use the area for quiet recreation, off leash dog area, Tai Chi, outdoor gym and other forms of gentle exercise.</p> <p>The area adjacent to the creek also provides a quiet viewing area to observe the resident platypus, waterfowl and reptiles.</p> <p>As someone who was involved in the development of the park from the beginning, I believe I am well qualified to provide this briefing. For all the reasons listed above I feel the installation of a skate park in this area is incompatible with the original purpose of the park's establishment. There are very few potential users of the facility currently living in the north end of town which means most users would need to travel considerable distance to reach the site, and parents may not wish their children to walk to or be in an area unsupervised. Additionally, there are no toilet or drinking facilities available at the park.</p>	<p>If this was not considered to be an issue why was Hassall's Reserve not considered as a site for this facility. It is adjacent to the Walking Track next to Bombay Road and recently completed outdoor under utilised, gym facilities which are being used regularly by families. It is an area which is under-utilised, and is closer to the school and resident child population in the western end of town. The original proposal for the walking track put to council, again by the urban landcare group, identified a site for a low bridge crossing similar to that at the Community Gardens, linking Hassall's Reserve to the walking track which would tie a skate park directly to the track's southern gym facility. This option would prevent the Recreation Ground from becoming overcrowded with facilities given the recent developments. It would also link recently developed recreation facilities on the western edge of town to the town itself, be closer to the main street shopping precinct than either the Recreation Ground and the Bicentennial Park. An island crossing, if needed, at the junction of Lascelles Street and Ryrie Street would provide a safe crossing point. As the reserve is a relatively large area the skate park can also be sited well away from nearby residents. Because it is an open area the skate park would be visible from both sides of the creek, and the potential for vandalism is diminished. As the town develops, it will need more recreation facilities to service the growing population. There are newly established recreation facilities already in the area and council could develop a long term plan to make this area Braidwood's second recreation site with the walking track, the outdoor gyms, a skate park, future toilet and picnic facilities and the golf course all linked.</p> <p>I believe this suggestion should be given serious consideration as an alternative to Bicentennial Park or the Recreation Ground.</p>		
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9.1 Community Consultation Results on Skate Park Concept and Location - Braidwood
 Attachment 1 - Braidwood Skate Park - Consultation Responses (Continued)

<p>Braidwood Recreation Ground</p>	<p>BRAIDWOOD SKATE PARK concept designs</p> <p>I write in support of the document recently issued under the above title by the Friends of Bicentennial Park in Braidwood.</p> <p>I believe their opposition to the use of any part of Bicentennial Park (McKellar Street) as a skate park is well founded. They should be congratulated on the comprehensiveness of their submission and the lucidity of its expression.</p> <p>As a person with a former serious involvement in tourism in Braidwood, I believe they have not laid sufficient emphasis on the heritage implications and the possible adverse effects on the economic prosperity of Braidwood.</p> <p>Modern tourism is a nasty competitive business. The dedication of Braidwood as a Heritage Town indicated a belief by the State Government that we had something more to offer visitors than mere building sites. This implies the upkeep of the whole town as a unified heritage asset. Any dilution of this quality is bound to have an adverse effect on our competitive desirability from the point of view of potential visitors. If we water down this quality with inappropriate development on inappropriate sites, we are also watering down our economic assets.</p> <p>The is in my opinion absoltely no case for building a Skate Park in Bicentennial Park. There is every case for building one at the Recreation Ground, for which there is an already dedicated and financed site.</p> <p>A minor point: has anybody enquired whether there are any disabled and/or frail elderly persons currently living in the houses in McKellar Street which face the proposed site of the Skate Park?</p>			
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QUEANBEYAN-PALERANG REGIONAL COUNCIL

Council Meeting Attachment

27 NOVEMBER 2019

ITEM 9.2 DA MODIFICATION 66-2018.A - TWO LOT SUBDIVISION - 419
CAPTAINS FLAT ROAD, CARWOOLA

ATTACHMENT 1 66-2018.A - 419 CAPTAINS FLAT ROAD - SECTION 4.55
MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

s4.55 REPORT - 66-2018.A

SUMMARY

Proposal:	Two Lot Subdivision: Modification to amend conditions 18, 20 and 23 relating to the provision of alternative energy supply requirements, erection of twenty ground mounted solar panels and shipping container
Address:	419 Captains Flat Road CARWOOLA NSW 2620
Property description:	Lot 4 DP 777829
Applicant:	Timothy John Arnold Giffard Booth
Owner:	Timothy John Arnold Giffard Booth
Date of lodgement:	13/08/2019
Assessment officer:	Kaycee Dixon-Hilder
Zoning:	E3 Environmental Management
Heritage:	NA
Flood affected:	No
Bushfire prone:	Yes – Partially
Recommendation of officer:	Approval with modified conditions of consent

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The original modification for the development application was for the removal of conditions 16, 20 and 23 amendment to condition number 18 and the erection of roof mounted solar panels to service the lot and future dwelling.

Through discussions, the applicant agreed to change the and as such, the modification to the development application is for:

1. The erection of twenty ground mounted solar panels to supply electricity to proposed Lot 1 and installation of a shed (shipping container) to house batteries and associated equipment; and
2. Amendments to conditions 18, 20 and 23.
3. Inclusion of a new Condition 23A

The applicant understands electricity must be supplied at subdivision stage and is proposing to erect the ground mounted solar panels to ensure this is done. For the purposes of the subdivision, the applicant will provide solar panels prior to issue of subdivision certificate to meet Queanbeyan Local Environmental Plan 2012 (QLEP) requirements.

Modified Conditions of Consent

Condition 18

Prior to the Issue of Subdivision Certificate (Torrens), a Notice of Arrangement (NOA) shall be requested from Essential Energy which states that satisfactory supply arrangements have been made for the provision of electricity to the proposed development.

Alternatively, an off-grid ground mounted solar system complying with the approved specifications provided by Gasniers Electrical Pty Ltd, Ref No: Booth 2 may be installed to provide power to any future dwelling. Prior to the issue of Subdivision Certificate (Torrens) a statement from a suitably qualified solar supplier must be obtained which states that the solar electricity supply has generally been installed to satisfactorily allow for the provision of electricity to sustain the lot and any proposed dwelling house.

Condition 20

Prior to the issue of any Subdivision Certificate written evidence from the relevant service authority or a suitably accredited person that satisfactory arrangements have been made for the supply of reticulated electricity, telephone services and fibre-ready facilities if available to each lot must be submitted to Council. If servicing for telephone and fibre ready facilities is not available, evidence from the relevant body is required to be submitted to Council.

Condition 23

Remains the same. While no electrical services will be constructed in the easement under this approval, the easement needs to be in place should a future owner wish to connect to the grid at their own cost.

New Condition 23A

A section 88B legal instrument burdening proposed Lot 1 is to be created prior to issue of a subdivision certificate. It is to specify that the on-going maintenance and replacement of any panels, batteries, inverters and any parts that form part of the operation of the solar electricity supply system for the life of the dwelling must be maintained in good order and condition. Prior to any sale, evidence as to the age of the system and its maintenance status is to be provided to any potential purchasers.

The applicant understands electricity must be supplied at subdivision stage and is proposing to erect the panels to ensure this is done. For the purposes of the subdivision the applicant will supply the panels prior to issue of subdivision certificate to meet Queanbeyan Local Environmental Plan 2012 (QLEP) requirements.

BACKGROUND

The development application was approved on the 25 March 2019. The following historic approvals have been issued on the lot:

Subdivision 3/88 approved on 21-4-1988
176-1998 – Carport
107-1999 – Bed and Breakfast
193-2003 – Two-storey dwelling house, shed and tanks
159-2018 – Home Industry and Shed

DESCRIPTION OF THE SITE AND LOCALITY

The subject site is legally described as Lot 4 DP 777829 and is commonly known as 419 Captains Flat Road. The site is located on the northern side of Captains Flat Road and has an area of 35.76ha.

Existing development on the site comprises a dwelling house and a number of ancillary structures including sheds and water tanks. Vehicular access is provided to the site via an existing driveway from Captains Flat Road that will become a right of way as it passes through proposed Lot 1.

Existing development within the locality consists of rural-residential development such as dwelling houses and sheds.



Figure 1: Locality plan

PROPERTY BURDENS AND CONSTRAINTS

An electricity line intersects proposed Lot 2 running from north-west to south east. This line connects to a power pole located on the adjacent lot and was the pole to be used as per the original assessment. This is relevant to this assessment for the fact that if any future owners do want to connect to the grid there is a power pole in close proximity already as shown in the approved subdivision plan in red below:



Figure 2: Power Pole Location

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

The application seeks Council approval for modifications to wording of condition number 18 and the deletion of conditions 16, 20 and 23.

CONSENT AUTHORITY

In accordance with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act) the modified proposal is considered to be local development and Council is the Consent Authority.

SECTION 4.10 DESIGNATED DEVELOPMENT – EP&A Act, 1979

The modified proposal is not designated development.

SECTION 4.47 INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT – EP&A Act, 1979

The modified proposal is not integrated development and existing GTA's will not change.

REFERRALS

INTERNAL REFERRALS

NA

SECTION 4.55 MODIFICATIONS – GENERALLY EP&A ACT, 1979

4.55(1A) Modifications involving minimal environmental impact

A consent authority may, on application being made by the applicant or any other person entitled to act on a consent granted by the consent authority and subject to and in accordance with the regulations, modify the consent if:

- (a) it is satisfied that the proposed modification is of minimal environmental impact, and
- (b) it is satisfied that the development to which the consent as modified relates is substantially the same development as the development for which the consent was originally granted and before that consent as originally granted was modified (if at all), and
- (c) it has notified the application in accordance with:
 - (i) the regulations, if the regulations so require, or
 - (ii) a development control plan, if the consent authority is a council that has made a development control plan that requires the notification or advertising of applications for modification of a development consent, and
- (d) it has considered any submissions made concerning the proposed modification within any period prescribed by the regulations or provided by the development control plan, as the case may be. Subsections (1), and (2) do not apply to such a modification.”

Comment:

In regards subclause ‘a’, it is considered that the modification(s) sought as part of this application is of minimal environmental impact with the amended and new wording for conditions shown in the below table.

Condition Number	Approved Wording	Proposed Modified Wording
18	Prior to the Issue of Subdivision Certificate (Torrens), a Notice of Arrangement (NOA) shall be requested from Essential Energy which states that satisfactory supply arrangements have been made for the provision of electricity to the proposed development.	Prior to the Issue of Subdivision Certificate (Torrens), a Notice of Arrangement (NOA) shall be requested from Essential Energy which states that satisfactory supply arrangements have been made for the provision of electricity to the proposed development. Alternatively, an off-grid ground mounted solar system complying with the approved specifications provided by Gasniers Electrical Pty Ltd, Ref No: Booth 2 may be installed to provide power to any future dwelling. Prior to the issue of Subdivision Certificate (Torrens) a statement from a suitably qualified solar supplier must be obtained which states that the solar electricity supply has generally been installed to satisfactorily allow for the provision of electricity to sustain the lot and any proposed dwelling house.
20	Prior to the issue of any Subdivision Certificate written evidence from the relevant service authority or a suitably accredited person that satisfactory arrangements have been made for the supply of reticulated electricity, telephone services and fibre-ready facilities to each lot must be submitted to Council.	Prior to the issue of any Subdivision Certificate written evidence from the relevant service authority or a suitably accredited person that satisfactory arrangements have been made for the supply of reticulated electricity, telephone services and fibre-ready facilities if available to each lot must be submitted to Council. If servicing for telephone and fibre ready facilities is not available, evidence from the relevant body is required to be submitted to Council.

23	An easement for provision of electricity supply must be created across proposed Lot 2 in favour of proposed Lot 1. The easement must be created to Essential Energy's requirements and where the creation of this easement affects adjoining properties, written permission must be obtained from affected land owners for the creation of this easement.	Remains the same. While no electrical services will be constructed in the easement under this approval, the easement needs to be in place should a future owner wish to connect to the grid at their own cost.
New 23A	New condition to ensure future prospective purchasers are aware that the premises is serviced by an off grid solar electricity supply	A section 88B legal instrument burdening proposed Lot 1 is to be created prior to issue of a subdivision certificate. It is to specify that the on-going maintenance and replacement of any panels, batteries, inverters and any parts that form part of the operation of the solar electricity supply system for the life of the dwelling must be maintained in good order and condition. Prior to any sale, evidence as to the age of the system and its maintenance status is to be provided to any potential purchasers.

In regards to subclause 'b', Council is satisfied that the development to which the consent as modified relates is substantially the same development for which consent was originally granted. In answering this threshold question, a comparative analysis of the approved development as modified has been undertaken.

With regards subclause 'c' and 'd', the application was not required to be notified in accordance with Part 1 of the QDCP 2012.

SECTION 4.15 CONSIDERATIONS – EP&A Act, 1979

In determining a development application, the consent authority is to take into consideration the following matters of consideration contained within section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 as relevant to the development application:

4.15(1)(a) the provisions of:

- (i) any environmental planning instrument**

None Applicable

QUEANBEYAN LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN (QLEP) 2012

An assessment of the proposal against the general aims of QLEP 2012 is included below:

Cl. 1.2(2)	Aims	Complies
(a)	<i>To facilitate the orderly and economic use and development of land in Queanbeyan based on ecological sustainability principles.</i>	Yes

(b)	<i>To provide for a diversity of housing throughout Queanbeyan.</i>	Yes
(c)	<i>To provide for a hierarchy of retail, commercial and industrial land uses that encourage economic and business development catering for the retail, commercial and service needs of the community.</i>	Yes
(d)	<i>To recognise and protect Queanbeyan's natural, cultural and built heritage including environmentally sensitive areas such as Queanbeyan's native grasslands, the Queanbeyan River and Jerrabomberra Creek.</i>	Yes
(e)	<i>To protect the scenic quality, views and vistas from main roads and other vantage points within Queanbeyan of the escarpment and Mount Jerrabomberra.</i>	Yes
(f)	<i>To maintain the unique identity and country character of Queanbeyan.</i>	Yes
(g)	<i>To facilitate the orderly growth of the urban release area in Googong in a staged manner that promotes a high level of residential amenity and the timely provision of physical and social infrastructure through appropriate phasing of the development of land.</i>	Yes

Comments: It is considered that the proposal is consistent with the aims of the QLEP 2012. Specifically, the proposal maintains the unique country character of the area whilst protecting Queanbeyan's natural heritage and environmentally sensitive areas.

Suspension of Covenants, Agreements and Instruments

Under Clause 1.9A, no covenants or agreements restricting the development have been identified.

Permissibility

The subject site is Zoned E4 Environmental Living zone under Queanbeyan Local Environmental Plan 2012. Development for the purposes of a **farm building** such as is proposed is permissible within the E4 Environmental Living zone with consent.

Zone Objectives

An assessment of the proposal against the objectives of the E4 Environmental Living zone is included below:

Objectives	Complies
➤ To provide for low-impact residential development in areas with special ecological, scientific or aesthetic values.	Yes
➤ To ensure that residential development does not have an adverse effect on those values.	Yes
➤ To encourage development that is designed to recognise the bushland character of the locality where appropriate and to minimise the impact of urban development, particularly on the edge of the urban area.	Yes

➤ To ensure that rural residential development provides for integrated rural residential communities in its design.	Yes
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Comments: The proposal is considered to be consistent with the objectives of the E4 Zone. The proposal is low-impact residential development that recognises the bushland character of the area through the relatively small-scaled scale of the dwelling and garage.

Demolition

Under Clause 2.7 of the QLEP 2012, the proposal does not involve demolition of an existing structure.

Part 4: Principal development standards

An assessment of the proposal against the relevant provisions contained within Part 4 of the QLEP 2012 is provided below.

Height of building

<i>Cl.</i>	<i>Standard</i>	<i>Controls</i>	<i>Proposed</i>	<i>Complies</i>
4.3	<i>Height of building</i>	NA	NA	NA

Comments: The proposed shipping container has a maximum height of 2.5 metres above natural ground level (NGL). The Height of Buildings Map under QLEP 2012 does not apply to the subject site. It is considered that the height of the proposed structures is appropriate for the site and is consistent with existing and proposed development within the locality.

Part 5: Miscellaneous Provisions

The relevant provisions contained within Part 5 of the QLEP 2012 are addressed below as part of this assessment:

5.10 Heritage conservation

The proposed development will have a minimal impact in relation to heritage. The site is not heritage listed, is not adjacent to a heritage item and is not located within a Heritage Conservation Area.

5.11 Bush fire hazard reduction

The application **does not** involve any bush fire hazard reduction works.

Part 7: Local Provisions

The relevant provisions contained within Part 7 of the QLEP 2012 are addressed below as part of this assessment:

7.1 Earthworks

Clause 7.1 of the QLEP 2012 establishes a number of matters requiring consideration for development involving earthworks. Earthworks associated with the development are proposed and form part of this application. The proposed earthworks will not have a detrimental impact on drainage patterns and soil stability or the existing and likely amenity of adjoining properties. The development application will be condition to mitigate the potential impact of soil erosion and the like during construction.

7.2 Flood planning

Clause 7.2 of the QLEP 2012 makes provision for developments within the flood planning area. The site **is not** identified as “flood planning area” on the Flood Planning Map, and **is not** at or below the flood planning level.

7.3 Terrestrial biodiversity

Clause 7.3 of the QLEP 2012 makes for provision for developments that impact on terrestrial biodiversity. This clause **is** considered relevant to the proposed development as the site **is** identified as “Biodiversity” on the Terrestrial Biodiversity Map.

- (3) *Before determining a development application for development on land to which this clause applies, the consent authority must consider:*
- (a) *whether the development is likely to have:*
- (i) *any adverse impact on the condition, ecological value and significance of the fauna and flora on the land, and*
 - (ii) *any adverse impact on the importance of the vegetation on the land to the habitat and survival of native fauna, and*
 - (iii) *any potential to fragment, disturb or diminish the biodiversity structure, function and composition of the land, and*
 - (iv) *any adverse impact on the habitat elements providing connectivity on the land, and*
- (b) *any appropriate measures proposed to avoid, minimise or mitigate the impacts of the development.*

An assessment was carried out against the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 as part of the original subdivision conducted last year. A building envelope was identified which ensured minimal environmental impact occurred. The panels are located within the envelope and does not require tree removal. It is considered that the development is not likely to have an adverse impact on the condition, ecological value and significance of the flora and fauna of the land.

7.4 Riparian land and watercourses

Clause 7.4 of the QLEP 2012 makes provision for developments within riparian land and watercourses. This clause **is** considered relevant to the proposed development as the site is identified as “Watercourse” on the Riparian Land and Watercourses Map”. However, the watercourse lies within the northern section of the lot, not within proximity to the proposed new lot. As such no impact will occur.

7.5 Scenic protection

Clause 7.5 of the QLEP 2012 makes provisions for developments impacting on scenic protection land. This clause **is not** relevant to the proposed development as the site **is not** identified as “Scenic Protection Area” on the Scenic Protection Map. Subclause (3) of this clause is required to be assessed before the application is determined.

7.6 Airspace operations

Clause 7.6 of the QLEP 2012 makes provisions for developments located in areas that are affected by airspace operations and aircraft noise. The proposed development **will not** penetrate the Obstacle Limitations Surface Map for the Canberra Airport. Therefore the application **was not** required to be referred to the relevant Commonwealth body for comment.

7.7 Development in areas subject to aircraft noise

Clause 7.7 of the QLEP 2012 makes provisions for developments subject to aircraft noise. This clause **is not** considered relevant to the proposed development as the site **is not** located near the Canberra Airport or within an ANEF contour of 20 or greater.

7.8 Active street frontage

This clause **is not** considered relevant to the proposed development as the site **is not** identified as “Active street frontage” on the Active Street Frontages Map”.

7.9 Essential services

Clause 7.9 of the QLEP 2012 requires satisfactory arrangements to be made for water supply, stormwater drainage, solid domestic waste, sewage, and the treatment and disposal of effluent. Along with the supply of electricity and suitable vehicle access.

Development consent must not be granted to development unless the consent authority is satisfied that any of the following services that are essential for the development are available or that adequate arrangements have been made to make them available when required:

- (a) *the supply of water,*
- (b) *the supply of electricity,*
- (c) *the disposal and management of sewage,*
- (d) *stormwater drainage or on-site conservation,*
- (e) *suitable vehicular access.*

Initially, the proposed application did not propose to provide electricity supply at subdivision stage but relied on electricity being provided as part of a development application for a future dwelling house on the proposed allotment. This would have meant it could not comply with this clause 7.9(b) or be supported within this application by Council.

However, the applicant now proposes to install a photovoltaic solar power system to supply electricity to proposed Lot 1 as part of the subdivision works. The system will be ground mounted which will form part of this modification. The applicant has supplied documentation for a solar

infrastructure system that can supply proposed Lot 1 with 7.5 kW of power. The application states that:

This type of system is equivalent to a grid supply of 7.5KW but would be more reliable given its battery storage with generator backup capabilities.

Essential Energy states within the 'Connecting to Network Information Pack' that a rural block would require 3kW of power meaning the solar system would actually produce and store more than Essential Energy's requirements. As such, the Council is satisfied that this solar system would be able to make adequate arrangements for power for the new proposed lot with the existing buildings on proposed Lot 2 remaining connected to the grid.

Clause 7.9 does not specify that the lot must be connected to Essential Energy's grid, just that a suitable supply must be available to the lot. By constructing the solar system up front the electricity supply can be implemented at subdivision stage and, as such is considered to meet the requirements of the clause.

If the recommendation for approval is accepted by Council, existing conditions will be amended requiring the ground mounted solar system to be installed and operational prior to the issue of the subdivision certificate.

7.10 Development near Cooma Road Quarry

This clause **is not** considered relevant to the proposed development as the site **is not** identified as "Buffer Area" on the Quarry Buffer Area Map".

7.11 Development near HMAS Harman

This clause **is not** considered relevant to the proposed development as the site **is not** located within 2 kilometres of HMAS Harman or within Zone IN1 General Industrial or Zone IN2 Light Industrial.

4.15(1)(a)(ii) any draft environmental planning instruments

There are no applicable draft planning instruments that are or have been placed on public exhibition, to consider as part of this assessment.

4.15(1)(a)(iii) any development control plan

QUEANBEYAN DCP 2012 COMMENTS		
Section	Controls	Compliance / Conditions
PART 1 – ABOUT THIS DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN		
1.8	Public Notification Of A Development Application The development application was not required to be notified to adjoining owners.	NA
PART 2 – ALL ZONES		
2.10.4	General Subdivision Submission Requirements for rural and environmental zones Part 2 of the QDCP 2012 falls silent on what type of electricity is to be provided to a subdivision lot. Under Clause 2.10.4 it states an	Yes

environmental review is required and must include:

*The environmental review must give a clear understanding of the development and its likely environmental impact, describe the proposal, the location, the local topography, adjacent development, adjacent land uses, lot size and layout pattern, land ownership **and available services such as roads, electricity, transport, education facilities and emergency services.** Layout of subdivisions should be based on an appreciation of the capability of the land to support the development.*

In the instance of 64 Molonglo Place, no electrical services were to be provided to the new lots and this would be left to the future owner's, transferring a large financial burden from the developer to the future owners.

In the case of the modification application at Captains Flat Road, the applicant has agreed to provide the electrical services up front and thus bears the cost of providing electricity to the site. In fact it would be cheaper for the applicant to provide an on-grid connection to proposed Lot 1 but they are committed to providing a sustainable off-grid supply. In addition, the applicant has advised that he has pre-sold the lot to a family member who already have a dwelling design drafted.

Summary of Assessment

There are a number of factors supporting proposed Lot 1 being provided with solar power:

1. Solar powered systems are a sustainable source of power compared to finite resources that provide power to the grid;
2. Ground mounted panels at subdivision stage can provide electricity supply at subdivision stage ensuring compliance with the QLEP;
3. The lot has been pre-sold to a family member and draft dwelling plans have already been created for this lot based on sustainable design; and
4. The application is small scale compared to 64 Molonglo Place in that proposed Lot 2 is already connected to the grid and as such the solar supply is for one lot only.

There are also negative aspects to the proposal being:

1. The lifecycle (15-25 years) of the panels does not last as long as the grid in the short term and may impose financial burdens onto future land owners. However, given Essential Energy's grid is powered by a combination of natural finite resources such as gas and coal and more sustainable sources like wind and solar farms, this system is more sustainable long term; and,
2. The disposal of solar panels and the associated parts is not sustainable.

	<p>This application needs to be carefully considered. The use of sustainable energy resources is always preferred however, setting a precedence for future large subdivisions should be avoided unless a developer is willing to propose a suitable alternative system upfront that, at a minimum, equals Essential Energy's kW output. Where there is more than one new lot being created this will be difficult because the off grid power source would have to be created under some sort of community title ownership.</p> <p>In this instance the applicant has shown that a solar system can do this. Given the application is for one lot only, can provide adequate power to supply the lot and future dwelling and proposes a suitable energy source, the application can be approved.</p>	
PART 5 – Rural and Environmental Zones and R5 Large Lot Residential Zones		
5.12.13	<p>Shipping Container A shipping container is proposed to store the solar panels to avoid damage and theft. This is permitted under this Clause, is within the building envelope and will not be able to be viewed from the streetscape.</p>	Yes

4.15(1)(a)(iia) any planning agreement or draft planning agreement

No planning agreement has been entered into under section 7.4 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

4.15(1)(a)(iv) matters prescribed by the regulations

Clause 92 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment (EP&A) Regulation 2000* requires Council to take into consideration Australian Standard AS2601–1991: *The Demolition of Structures*, in the determination of a development application.

Having regard to this prescribed matters, the proposed development does not involve the demolition of a building for the purposes of AS 2601 – 1991: *The Demolition of Structures*.

4.15(1)(a)(v) any coastal zone management plan

Council is not subject to a coastal zone management plan.

4.15(1)(b) the likely impacts of the development, including environmental impacts on both the natural and built environments, and social and economic impacts in the locality

The proposed modification will not have any significant negative social, environmental or economic impact.

4.15(1)(c) the suitability of the site for the development

The subject site is relatively unconstrained and is considered to be suitable in its current state for the purposes of the proposed development.

4.15(1)(d) any submissions made in accordance with this Act or the regulations

The application was not notified in accordance with Section 1.8 of the QDCP 2012.

4.15(1)(e) the public interest

The public interest is served through the detailed assessment of this development application under the relevant local planning controls and legislation and consideration of any submissions received relating to it by Council. The proposed development is not considered to be contrary to the public interest.

SECTION 64 CONTRIBUTIONS

Section 64 of the Local Government Act 1993 allows contributions to be levied towards the provision of water, sewerage and stormwater infrastructure. Section 64 Contributions are not applicable to the proposed development.

SECTION 7.11 CONTRIBUTIONS

Section 7.11 of the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979* permits councils to require as a condition of development consent, the reasonable dedication of land or the payment of monies, or both, for development that is likely to require the provision of, or increase the demand for public amenities and public services within the area. Section 7.11 Contributions are not applicable to the proposed development.

CONCLUSION

The application has been assessed having regard to Section 4.55(1A) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, and is considered to be satisfactory for approval subject to the recommended conditions of consent.

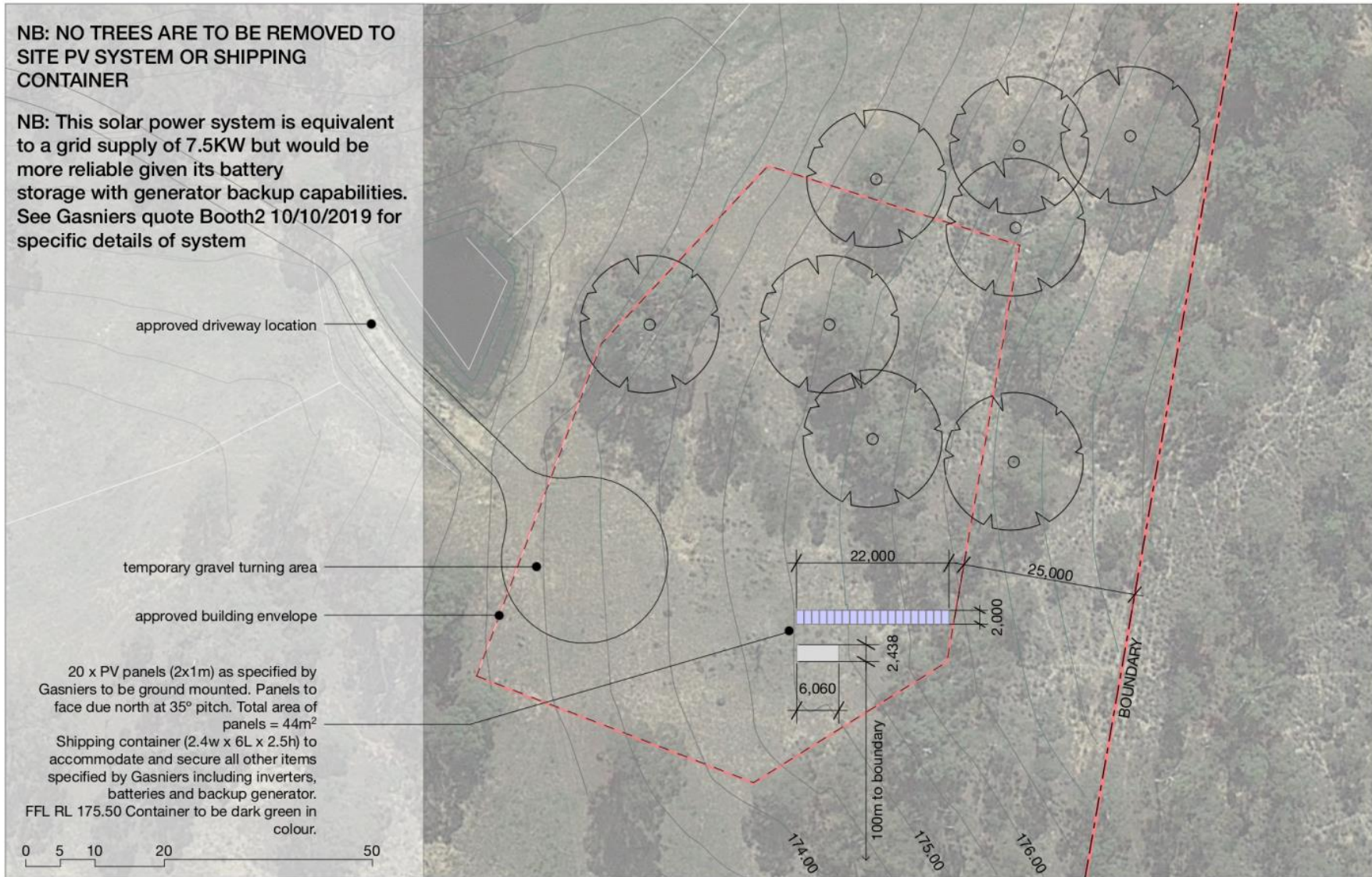
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CAPTAINS FLAT ROAD, CARWOOLA

ATTACHMENT 2 66-2018.A - 419 CAPTAINS FLAT ROAD, CARWOOLA -
PROPOSED MODIFIED PLANS



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SPECIFICATION:
 The proposed building works must comply with all relevant Australian Standards and the National Construction Code.



Project 419 CAPTAINS FLAT RD, CARWOOLA
 LOT 4 DP 777829
 Client BOOTH
 Job no. 1701

Title **SOLAR PANEL LAYOUT**
FOR MODIFICATION OF DA 66-2018.A
 Drawn / Checked LW / LW
 Scale 1:500 @ A3

Drawing No. / Revision

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Project Stage
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ATTACHMENT 3 66-2018.A - 419 CAPTAINS FLAT ROAD, CARWOOLA -
PROPOSED SOLAR PANEL SPECS



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10/10/2019

Quotation

To: Tim Booth
419 Captains Flat Road
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NSW
2620

Ref No: booth2

Order No:

Site: 419 Captains Flat Road
Carwoola, NSW, 2620

Item

Amount

419 Captains Flat Road Carwoola

SCOPE OF WORKS

1. Supply & install 20 x Suntech 325 watt solar panels (6500 watt array) on Shed roof.
2. Supply & install 1 x Selectronic SP Pro SPMC 482-AU inverter charger in new shed. (This configuration would give 7.5kW continuous power plus available solar energy. Please see SP PRO data sheet attached for surge specs)
3. Supply & install 1 x Fronius Primo 6.0 Selectronic certified string inverter in new shed.
4. Supply & install 24 x Hoppecke VRL 1250 batteries (1412AH @C100 = 67.77KWh of storage @C100 48V) in shed.
5. Supply & install all AC & DC switch gear to Australian Standards.
6. Supply & install main switchboard in new shed.
7. Supply & install 1 x Honda EU70is 7kVA generator with 2 wire start module and battery charger.
8. Supply & install 63 amp single phase circuit breaker for house electrician connection point.
9. Supply & install all required signage to Australian standards.
10. Program, test & commission system.
11. This type of system is equivalent to a grid supply of 7.5KW but would be more reliable given its battery storage with generator backup capabilities.
12. Essential energy calculations are based around each individual house receiving approximately 5-7.5kw each

NOTE:

1. No allowance has been made to carry out work outside normal working hours (Mon-Fri 7am-4pm)
2. Quoted price is based on solar panels being installed on corrugated tin roof of shed.
3. Quoted price is based on SP Pro, string inverter, main switchboard and batteries being installed in new shed or a similar weatherproof space.
4. No allowance has been made to supply a battery enclosure.
5. No allowance has been made to supply a generator enclosure.
6. This PV system will supply a minimum of 18-20kWh per day in June on a clear day. Battery usage at this time of year is unknown as we have no night time usage figures however if night time usage only discharges the batteries 30% (16.37 kWh of usage) you would get a battery service life of 5500 cycles. (15.07 years). If
7. This system will continually provide 7.5kW of power plus available PV power during the day and generator back up if required up to 63 amps at 240 volts.
8. Quoted price is based on the 97 STC credits this installation would generate being signed over to Gasnier's Electrical as this has been deducted from the quoted amount. Please be aware that STC prices change daily and may be higher or lower at the time of the system install. Please check with Gasnier's at the time of installation if you proceed so the final price can be confirmed.
9. For the sake of comparing quotations please be aware that all material quoted in this quotation is premium quality and Gasnier's workmanship is of the highest standards. If you would like any photos, customer testimonials or a site visit to a previous installation please do not hesitate to contact us.
10. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call Gavin Gasnier direct on 0412 002 858.
11. Gasnier's Electrical terms & conditions apply to this quotation.
12. Gasnier's reserves the right to change the quotation after a site visit.
13. Quotation valid for 30 days.

Subtotal	\$46,653.84
GST	\$4,665.39
Total	\$51,319.23

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ITEM 9.5 OUTCOME OF NOISE MONITORING FROM SECURITY
 AWARENESS TRAINING AT GOOLABRI COUNTRY
 RESORT

ATTACHMENT 1 6 JUNE 2019 NOISE REPORT BY AECOM



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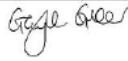
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1.0 Introduction

1.1 Background

Hart International Australia Pty Ltd (Hart International) currently operates security awareness training at 202 Goolabri Drive, Sutton, NSW. The security awareness training includes two main activities per day, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Training is typically undertaken once per fortnight. The activities comprise simulated scenarios involving a shooter and number of other people.

AECOM Australia Pty Ltd (AECOM) has been commissioned by Hart International to prepare a noise impact assessment of the security awareness training activities on existing neighbouring residential properties.

1.2 Scope of work

This report will:

- Determine appropriate noise emission criteria for firearm noise at neighbouring residential properties in accordance with NSW Government Guidelines *Environmental Noise Control Manual* (ENCM) and *Target Shooting Ranges: Application Note for Assessing Noise Compliance*;
- Complete noise measurements of the operation of the firearms at various distances from the firearms, under the typical operating conditions;
- Based on the attended noise measurements calculate the likely levels of firearm noise levels at neighbouring residential properties likely to be affected; and
- Recommend, if necessary, indicative measures to reduce the impact of firearm noise.

1.3 Site description

The security awareness training is undertaken within a 95 hectare site at 202 Goolabri Drive, Sutton. The site is zoned 'E4 – Environmental Living' under Palerang Local Environment Plan 2014. The site includes a function centre and disused golf course.

The site is surrounded by large residential lots, with the Federal Highway located around 500 m away to the north west. The closest noise sensitive receiver, 158 Goolabri Drive, Sutton, is located to the north east of the site, with the dwelling around 125 m from the facility boundary. It is noted that three shooting ranges are located nearby in Majura, ACT, around 3.5 km to the south west of the activity 2 measurement location. These are as follows:

- SSAA Shooting Complex;
- Canberra Rifle Range; and
- Majura Park Gun Club

Figure 1 below shows the site location, indicative locations where the firearm was used and the measurement locations.

1.4 Scenario description

It is understood that around two security awareness training days take place each month. Generally two simulated activities are undertaken during security awareness training. These are described below:

1.4.1 Activity 1

Activity 1 starts at 11:30am and lasts approximately 10 to 15 minutes. A shooter moves from behind some bushes close to the central dam on the site and "chases" trainees southwards toward the function centre. Around 30-40 blank shots (half-loads) are generally fired from an AK47 rifle.

1.4.2 Activity 2

Activity 2 starts at 1:30pm and lasts approximately 1 to 1.5 hours. A shooter shoots from two locations. The shots are fired in four bursts and repeated for two groups of trainees. Around 100 blank shots (half load) in total are generally fired from an AK47 rifle.

Figure 1 Location plan of Hart International Security Awareness Training facility



2.0 Acoustic criteria

2.1 Target Shooting Ranges: Application Note for Assessing Noise Compliance

The NSW EPA *Environmental Noise Control Manual* (ENCM) 1994 presents a guideline for established shooting ranges during the day (10am to 5pm) and the evening (5 pm to 10 pm) in terms of a linear peak level.

In addition the NSW EPA issued an application note, *Target Shooting Ranges: Application Note for Assessing Noise Compliance*, in 2015. The application note includes the relevant chapter from the ENCM and additional information regarding compliance assessments.

The criteria are presented in Table 1 below.

Table 1 NSW EPA existing shooting range criteria

	Residential Level dB $L_{Z_{peak}}$										
	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100	105	>105
	Maximum usage days(nights) per week										
Day	7	7	7	7	7	7	5	4	3	2	1
Evening	3	3	2	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	-

2.2 Summary

Given that the security awareness training activities are undertaken a maximum of one day per week, the appropriate criterion would be $L_{Z_{peak}} >105$ dB.

3.0 Noise measurements

Noise measurements were made on site on Tuesday 14 May 2019. Details are presented below.

3.1 Measurement location

The criteria apply at the assessment location boundary closest to the shooting range. If the boundary closest to the shooting range is more than 30 metres from a receiving residence, then the assessment point is 30 metres of the residence in the direction of the shooting range. The microphone should be placed at a height of 1.2 – 1.5 m above ground level and at least 5 m from any other sound reflection surface.

During the site visit, Activity 1 gunshots were measured at a distance of between 75 and 150 m. During Activity 2 the gunshots were measured at two distances, 250 m and 350 m.

3.2 Measurement methodology

The application notes provide details of a manual measurement methodology and a post-processing methodology. In this instance the post-processing methodology was used. The sound level meter was set up to store linear peak levels (L_{Zpeak}) at one second intervals.

The attended measurements at the shooting ranges were conducted using a Bruel and Kjaer 2270 sound level meter, designated as a Type 1 instrument having an accuracy suitable for field measurements. The instrument was calibrated before and after the measurements with no drift in calibration exceeding ± 0.5 dB. All equipment used for this assessment has current calibration certificates.

The data were then reviewed to identify all the peak levels relating to shots. An arithmetic mean was then calculated from all the measurement data.

During Activity 1, 27 gunshots were measured, and during Activity 2, 73 gunshots were measured.

3.3 Attended noise measurements

During the Activity 1 measurements the weather conditions were fine, partly cloudy with a NNW wind up to 1.9 m/s. During the Activity 2 measurements the weather conditions were fine, partly cloudy with a NNW wind with an average speed of 2.7 m/s. These are taken from the Bureau of Meteorology station at Canberra Airport, located approximately 12 kilometres from the measurement location.

The results of the Activity 1 measurements are summarised in Table 2 and the results of the Activity 2 measurements are summarised in Table 3.

Table 2 Measured L_{Zpeak} levels during Activity 1

Distance (m)	Number of gunshots	Average L_{Zpeak}	Minimum L_{Zpeak}	Maximum L_{Zpeak}
75-150	27	113 dB	108 dB	122 dB

Table 3 Measured L_{Zpeak} levels during Activity 2

Distance (m)	Number of gunshots	Average L_{Zpeak}	Minimum L_{Zpeak}	Maximum L_{Zpeak}
250	37	98 dB	97 dB	100 dB
350	36	95 dB	92 dB	98 dB

It was noted that gunshot noise from shooting activities within the Majura shooting ranges was also audible throughout the day, although this was at a reduced level compared with the training activities.

4.0 Noise impact assessment

Section 3.3 presents the results of the noise measurements during typical security awareness training. The minimum distance from the closest residential receiver to the shooting activities is 250 m. Although noise measurements were not made on site at the residential receiver, 37 shots were measured directly at 250 m. The average L_{Zpeak} noise level at this distance was 98 dB and the maximum L_{Zpeak} noise was 100 dB. It is noted that the measurements taken at 250 m are consistent with only a 3 dB variation between 37 shots.

An L_{Zpeak} level of 98 dB is compliant with the *Target Shooting Ranges: Application Note for Assessing Noise Compliance* noise criterion of >105 dB, discussed in Section 2.1.

The shooting activities are limited to one, fifteen minute period in the morning and one period in the afternoon which may last around 1.5 hours.

Given the noise levels at 250 m are within the NSW EPA criteria and the fact that the shooting activities are constrained to two periods in one day per fortnight, the noise levels are considered to be compliant.

It is understood that currently neighbouring residents are informed about the timings of security awareness training activities; this is considered to be good practice and should be continued. In addition community consultation could be undertaken to avoid any days of particular sensitivity for nearby receivers.

5.0 Conclusions

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1.2 Scope of work

This report will:

- Determine appropriate noise emission criteria for firearm noise at neighbouring residential properties in accordance with NSW Government Guidelines *Environmental Noise Control Manual* (ENCM), *Target Shooting Ranges: Application Note for Assessing Noise Compliance* and *Noise Policy for Industry (NPfI)*;
- Complete noise measurements of the operation of the firearms at various distances from the firearms, under the typical operating conditions;
- Based on the attended noise measurements calculate the likely levels of firearm noise levels at neighbouring residential properties likely to be affected; and
- Recommend, if necessary, indicative measures to reduce the impact of firearm noise.

1.3 Site description

The security awareness training is undertaken within a 95 hectare site at 202 Goolabri Drive, Sutton. The site is zoned 'E4 – Environmental Living' under Palerang Local Environment Plan 2014. The site includes a function centre and disused golf course.

The site is surrounded by large residential lots, with the Federal Highway located around 500 m away to the north west. The closest noise sensitive receiver, 158 Goolabri Drive, Sutton, is located to the north east of the site, with the dwelling around 125 m from the facility boundary. It is noted that three shooting ranges are located nearby in Majura, ACT, around 3.5 km to the south west of the activity 2 measurement location. These are as follows:

- SSAA Shooting Complex;
- Canberra Rifle Range; and
- Majura Park Gun Club

Figure 1 shows the site location, indicative locations where the firearm was used and the measurement locations.

1.4 Scenario description

It is understood that around two security awareness training days take place each month. Generally two simulated activities are undertaken during security awareness training. These are described below:

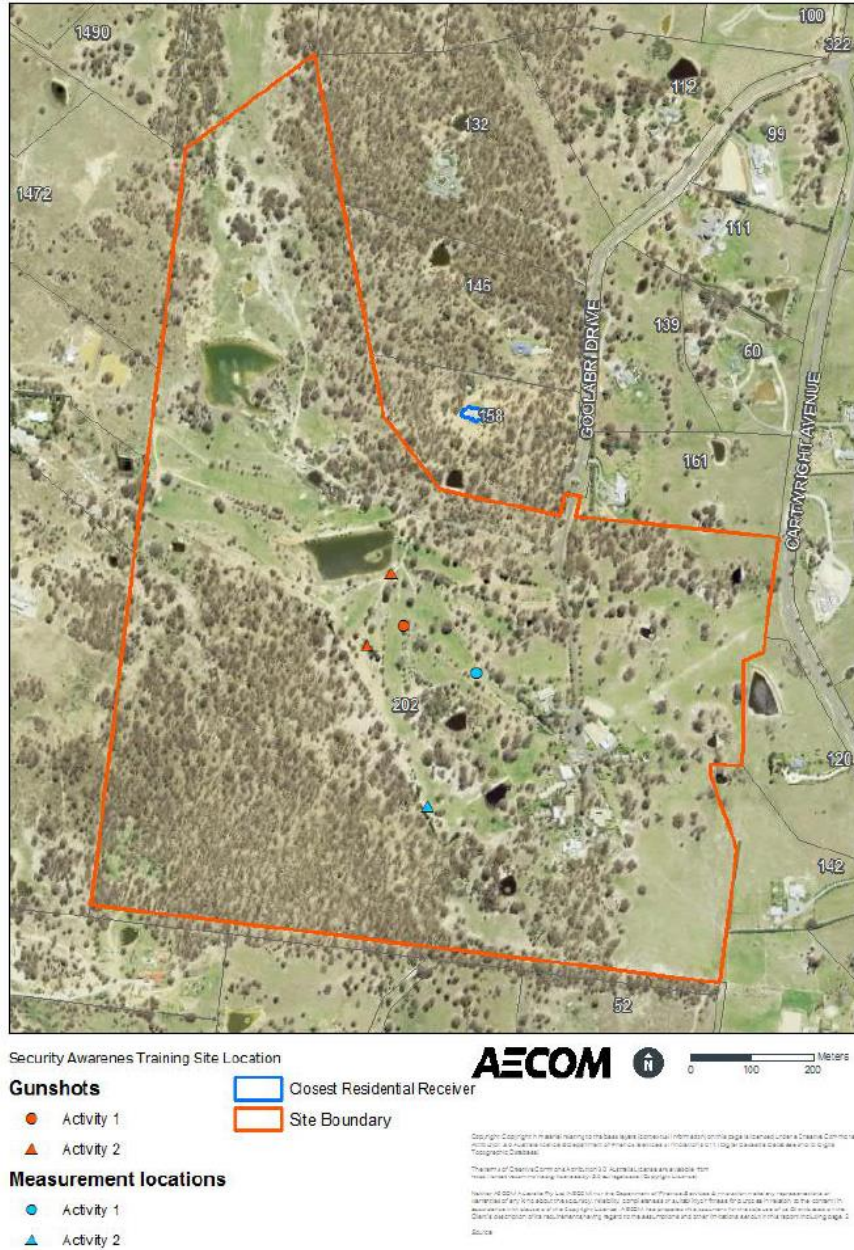
1.4.1 Activity 1

Activity 1 starts at 11:30am and lasts approximately 10 to 15 minutes. A shooter moves from behind some bushes close to the central dam on the site and "chases" trainees southwards toward the function centre. Around 30-40 blank shots (half-loads) are generally fired from an AK47 rifle.

1.4.2 Activity 2

Activity 2 starts at 1:30pm and lasts approximately 1 to 1.5 hours. A shooter shoots from two locations. The shots are fired in four bursts and repeated for two groups of trainees. Around 100 blank shots (half load) in total are generally fired from an AK47 rifle.

Figure 1 Location plan of Hart International Security Awareness Training facility



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2.0 Acoustic criteria

2.1 Target Shooting Ranges: Application Note for Assessing Noise Compliance

The NSW EPA *Environmental Noise Control Manual* (ENCM) 1994 presents a guideline for established shooting ranges during the day (10am to 5pm) and the evening (5 pm to 10 pm) in terms of a linear peak level.

In addition the NSW EPA issued an application note, *Target Shooting Ranges: Application Note for Assessing Noise Compliance*, in 2015. The application note includes the relevant chapter from the ENCM and additional information regarding compliance assessments.

The criteria are presented in Table 1 below.

Table 1 NSW EPA existing shooting range criteria

	Residential Level dB L_{Zpeak}										
	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100	105	>105
	Maximum usage days(nights) per week										
Day	7	7	7	7	7	7	5	4	3	2	1
Evening	3	3	2	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	-

2.2 Noise Policy for Industry

The NSW *Noise Policy for Industry* (NPfI) provides guidance in relation to acceptable noise limits for industrial noise emissions.

It should be noted that the NPfI does not apply to noise from shooting ranges however as the Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council has requested that noise associated with the security awareness training be assessed against the NPfI it has been included in this assessment.

The assessment procedure in the *Noise Policy for Industry* has two components:

- controlling **intrusive** noise impacts in the short term for residences
- maintaining noise level **amenity** for residences and other land uses.

Both components are assessed at the boundary of the noise sensitive receiver site, or if the site boundary is more than 30 metres from the noise sensitive building, a distance of 30 metres from the noise sensitive building.

2.2.1 Intrusive noise impacts

The *Noise Policy for Industry* states that the noise from any single noise source should not be greatly above the prevailing background noise level. Industrial noise sources are generally considered acceptable if the A-weighted equivalent continuous sound pressure level of noise from the source, measured over a 15 minute period ($L_{Aeq,15 min}$) does not exceed the Rating Background Level (RBL) by more than 5 dB(A) for the period under consideration. This is termed the Intrusiveness Criterion.

The RBL is the background noise level to be used for assessment purposes and is determined by the methods given in the *Noise Policy for Industry*. In this case the RBL was not measured but minimum values assumed in line with the *Noise Policy for Industry*.

The RBL and the respective intrusive criteria for the day, evening and night periods are provided in Table 2.

Table 2 Intrusive criteria

Location	Period	RBL (L_{A90}), dB(A)	Intrusive criteria (RBL+5), dB(A)
Residential receivers	Day	35	40

2.2.2 Protecting amenity

To limit continuing increase in noise levels, the maximum ambient noise level within an area from all industrial noise sources should not normally exceed the acceptable noise levels specified in Table 2.1 of the *Noise Policy for Industry*. That is the noise level should not exceed the level appropriate for the particular locality and land use. This is often termed the “background creep” or “amenity criterion”.

The recommended amenity noise levels represent the objective for total industrial noise at a receiver location, whereas the project amenity level represents the objective for noise from a single industrial development at a receiver location. Where cumulative industrial noise is not a necessary consideration because no other industries are present in the area, the project amenity level is equal to the recommended amenity level.

The project amenity $L_{Aeq(Period)}$ level is then converted to an $L_{Aeq(15\text{ minute})}$ period by adding 3 dB(A). The project amenity noise levels applicable to the facility are provided in Table 3.

Table 3 Project amenity noise levels

Type of receiver	Indicative noise amenity area	Time of day	Project amenity noise level, dB(A)	
			$L_{Aeq(Period)}$	$L_{Aeq(15\text{ minute})}$
Residential receivers	Rural	Day	50	53

2.3 Summary

Given that the security awareness training activities are undertaken a maximum of one day per week, the appropriate criterion would be $L_{Zpeak} > 105$ dB. A summary of the relevant criteria is shown below.

Table 4 Acoustic criteria summary

Guideline	Descriptor	Criteria
ENCM - Target Shooting Ranges	L_{Zpeak}	> 105 dB
NPfI	L_{Aeq} (daytime)	40 dB(A)

3.0 Noise measurements

Noise measurements were made on site on Tuesday 14 May 2019. Details are presented below.

3.1 Measurement location

The criteria apply at the assessment location boundary closest to the shooting range. If the boundary closest to the shooting range is more than 30 metres from a receiving residence, then the assessment point is 30 metres of the residence in the direction of the shooting range. The microphone should be placed at a height of 1.2 – 1.5 m above ground level and at least 5 m from any other sound reflection surface.

During the site visit, Activity 1 gunshots were measured at a distance of between 75 m and 150 m. During Activity 2 the gunshots were measured at two distances, 250 m and 350 m.

3.2 Measurement methodology

The application notes provide details of a manual measurement methodology and a post-processing methodology. In this instance the post-processing methodology was used. The sound level meter was set up to store linear peak levels (L_{Zpeak}) at one second intervals.

The attended measurements at the shooting ranges were conducted using a Bruel and Kjaer 2250 sound level meter, designated as a Type 1 instrument having an accuracy suitable for field measurements. The instrument was calibrated before and after the measurements with no drift in calibration exceeding ± 0.5 dB. All equipment used for this assessment has current calibration certificates.

The data were then reviewed to identify all the peak levels relating to shots. An arithmetic mean was then calculated from all the measurement data.

During Activity 1, 27 gunshots were measured, and during Activity 2, 73 gunshots were measured.

3.3 Attended noise measurements

During the Activity 1 measurements the weather conditions were fine, partly cloudy with a NNW wind up to 1.9 m/s. During the Activity 2 measurements the weather conditions were fine, partly cloudy with a NNW wind with an average speed of 2.7 m/s. These are taken from the Bureau of Meteorology station at Canberra Airport, located approximately 12 kilometres from the measurement location.

The results of the Activity 1 measurements are summarised in Table 5 and the results of the Activity 2 measurements are summarised in Table 6.

Table 5 Measured L_{Zpeak} and $L_{Aeq(15 min)}$ levels during Activity 1

Distance (m)	Number of gunshots	Average L_{Zpeak}	Minimum L_{Zpeak}	Maximum L_{Zpeak}	$L_{Aeq, 15 min}$
75-150	27	113 dB	108 dB	122 dB	54

Table 6 Measured L_{Zpeak} and $L_{Aeq(15 min)}$ levels during Activity 2

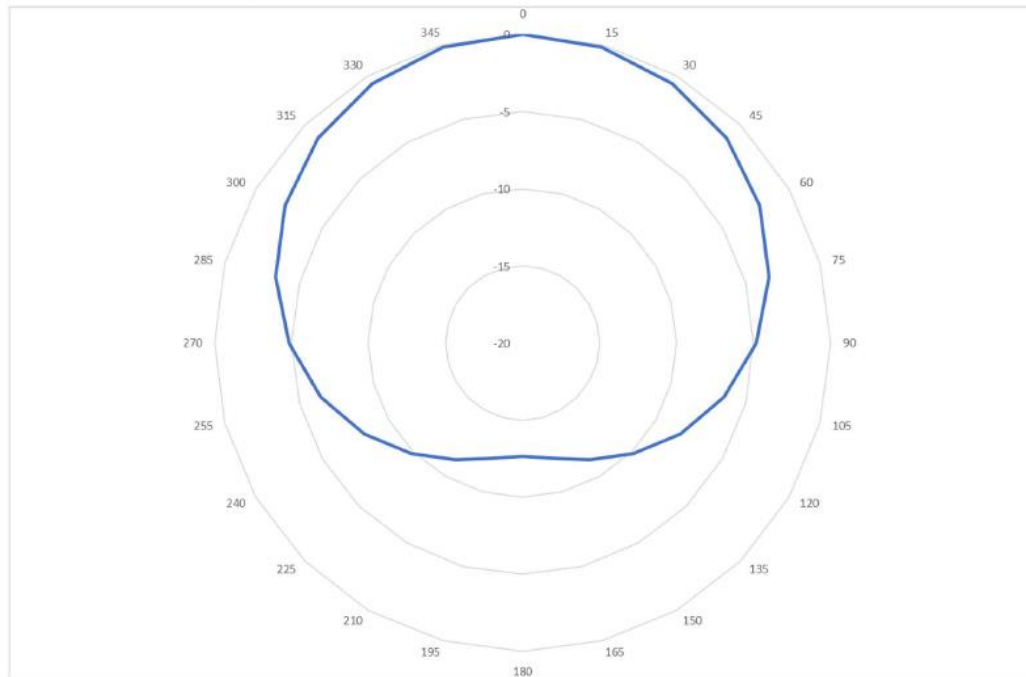
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It was noted that gunshot noise from shooting activities within the Majura shooting ranges was also audible throughout the day, although this was at a reduced level compared with the training activities.

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Rifles often exhibit strong acoustic directivity. ISO CEN 17201-2 "Acoustics — Noise from shooting ranges – Part 2: Estimation of muzzle blast and projectile sound by calculation" provides guidance on estimating the directivity of gunshots. The directivity for a rifle such as those used in the training activities is shown below in Figure 2.

Figure 2 Rifle directivity – dB correction vs angle

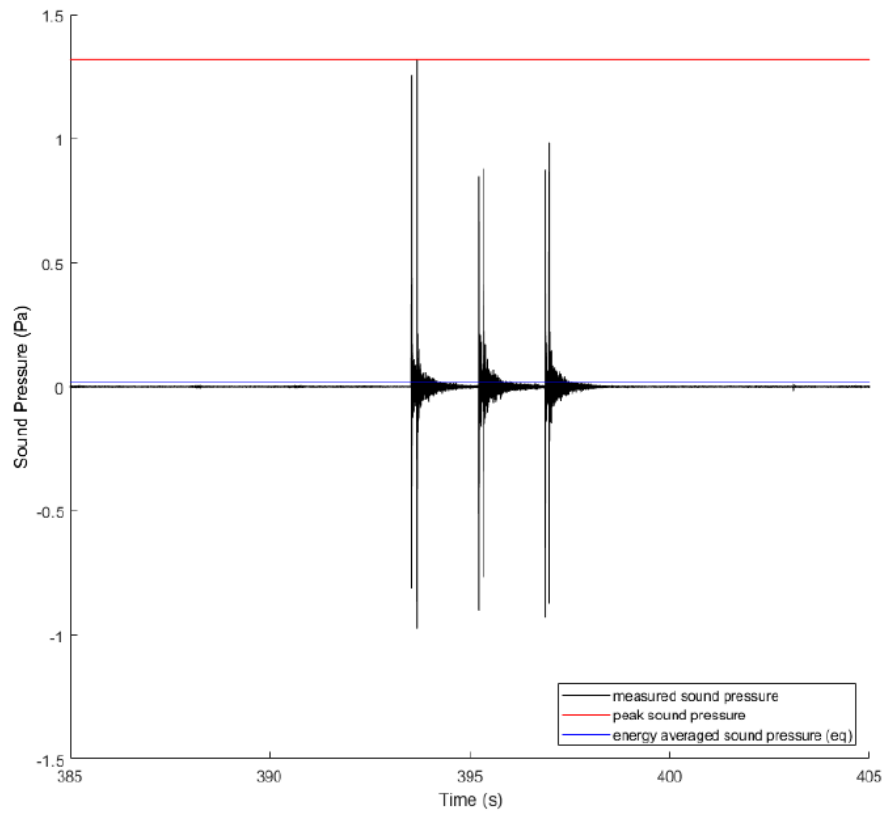


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Figure 3 Measured sound pressure for a gunshot (black), peak (red), energy average (blue)



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Table 7 Predicted noise levels at 158 Goolabri Drive

Location	Descriptor	Criteria	Predicted sound pressure level	Exceedance
158 Goolabri Drive, Sutton	L_{Zpeak}	> 105 dB	89 dB ¹	-
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We are also keen to let people know that we encourage you to contact us if there are any questions or concerns you wish to discuss with us regarding these activities.

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Kind Regards,

Ben, Dan and James
Goolabri Country Resort
Contact m: 0452 443 294

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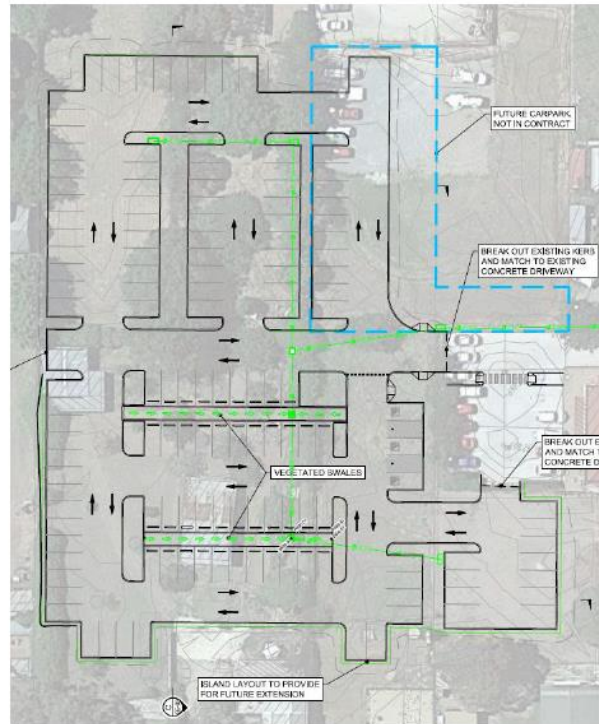
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Bungendore Carpark Community Consultation



Ref: Doc Set ID XXXXXXXX

Report - Community engagement – Bungendore Carpark

Executive Summary of engagement report:

The Bungendore Carpark project community consultation was undertaken on YourVoice between 15 July 2019 and 14 August 2019. The intention of this community consultation was to gain feedback from the community on the existing design and gauge the community's opinion on additional facilities within the carpark.

Community consultation was undertaken using Councils YourVoice webpage. It was also advertised on various online platforms with referrals received from the-riotact.com, www.canberratimes.com.au, Bing, Google, Email, Facebook and government websites. Council also accepted feedback via email with 3 submissions received via email. This report reflect the feedback received from the public exhibition, and makes recommendations based on the feedback for incorporation into the detailed design of the new car park.

Below is the list of key issues and recommendation raised by the community during public exhibition.

- Toilet facilities
- Electric Vehicle Charging Stations
- Smart Lighting, CCTV and proper Signage
- Big shade Trees
- Larger parking spaces for Caravans and RV's
- Cost of Construction

Participation in engagement:

Aware:

- On the QPRC Yourvoice page, 414 people visited the project page.
- On Councils Facebook page, Council's post on the Bungendore Carpark public consultation reached 7,223 people.

Informed:

- 242 people downloaded the plans
- On Councils Facebook page, Council recorded 2,018 post clicks, 29 "Likes", 2 "Haha's" and 11 people shared this post elsewhere with 86 interactions on these shared posts.

Engaged:

- 44 people made submissions via YourVoice.
- On Councils Facebook page, 24 people commented on the submission. These comments were captured and included in the public consultation feedback. 68 additional comments were posted on shared posts, As these were not posted within the public domain or aimed at Council (ie shared on facebook groups) these have not being included within the consultation.
- Council also received two external and one internal email submissions which have been included in the consultation feedback.

The majority of feedback was received from residents and business owners within Bungendore with a median age of 48.7 years old. 25 males and 19 females responded via YourVoice.



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Comments received:

Survey Question 1:

What additional uses/facilities do you require of the car park? Do you think the car park should include toilet facilities, smart lighting, electric vehicle charging stations etc?

	Council response	Recommendation
Shade trees, electric vehicle charging stations, lighting for safe access at night, good pedestrian access from surrounding streets and within carpark, bicycle parking	Feedback Noted	Council consider additions to project as requested.
Integrated, Innovative and Sustainable Urban Design Concept design should incorporate *Big shade trees. *Subsurface water storage (harvested storm water from car park and other impervious surfaces via noted vegetative swales) and filtered and pumped re-use for landscape). *Solar powered lighting (sensor activated). *Clearly defined pedestrian movement corridors within the car park and to adjoining car-parks and desired destinations (equal access - of course) *Porous pavement to increase infiltration *Q? Where are the charging bays ? *Q? Need a context plan as I can't comment on the relation ship to other land uses. *Q? Where are the sections? *Q? Why not include purpose built site for container deposit scheme and recycled goods (Salvos, Vinnies and others).	Feedback noted, Q1) Council has not selected a location for charging bays. This will be determined when the updated detailed design is completed. Q2) Noted, Land surrounding the carpark is predominantly privately owned. Q3) Sections will be completed in the updated detailed design Q4) Council does not have any arrangements with the return and earn scheme. Council will be including electrical power to the site, If the scheme wishes to enter into an agreement and use the carpark in future.	Council consider additional trees, Council liaise with designers regarding water storage options for landscaping use.
Definitely public toilets to be included as there isn't any at that end of town. Smart lighting, electric vehicle charging stations a must.	Feedback Noted	Council consider additions to project as requested.
Yes to toilets, electric charging, also garbage bins with underground compactor mechanism, cctv. Not sure what is smart lighting	Feedback Noted. An underground compactor mechanism is generally used for higher volumes of waste. Council won't support domestic household waste being dumped within the carpark.	Council consider additions to project as requested with the exception of the underground compactor mechanism.



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	Smart lighting is lighting that is activated by sensors rather than a timer.	
Public toilets, rubbish bins, adequate smart lighting, bike racks. Vegetation swales should contain trees that will mature and provide parking shade and soften the mass of concrete and bitumen.	Feedback Noted	Council consider additions to project as requested.
Car park is a wonderful idea. As a resident I normally stay away from the area on the weekends as street parking is taken up and too busy. New car park would relieve that congestion. Another amenities block would be great as well. Too far to walk to the park if you are a kid or elderly.	Feedback Noted	Council consider additions to project as requested.
Electric charging stations whilst good are I believe a not one charger fits all electric cars. If u put one in I think yu need to look at the different ones that are used and incorporate a range of different ones.	Feedback Noted.	
Toilet facilities and good lighting for the area are a great idea as the nearest public toilets are at the top of Gibraltar Street, and most of Bungendore's street lights are not very bright. I would also suggest that some space be set aside for RVs and longer vehicles such as cars with trailers, boats and caravans. I also think that it should join onto the car park behind the butcher's so that there is another entry/exit.	Feedback Noted. The carpark behind the butchers is privately owned.	Council consider additions to project as requested.
toilet facilities, smart lighting, ev charging in that order	Feedback Noted.	Council consider additions to project as requested.
Toilets facilities free camping if self contained or a small donation. Easy access	Camping facilities are offered by QPRC at the Bungendore Showground.	Council consider toilet facilities and access.
As a resident of Bungendore I don't require a car park of that size, and with toilet facilities opposite the Police Station how about good signage and traffic control measures pointing in that direction and simply have the peak period visitors park further up the main street - they can stroll further than the Woodworks-Carrington "commercial" centre based off the Highway. Well designed and maintained green space would be a much better option, including for community events, along with a better promotion of Gibraltar Street and the parking that isn't just outside the local shops.	Feedback Noted.	Ensure signage is appropriate to guide vehicles to appropriate carparks.

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If the carpark is to host community markets, toilet facilities and smart lighting would be advantageous	Feedback Noted.	Council consider additions to project as requested.
Toilets would be great and electric charging is progressive and may attract tourists. I plan to buy electric in the next 10 years.	Feedback Noted.	
Toilet facilities Smart lighting CCTV Return & Earn recycling facility Refillable bottle/water drinking fountains	Feedback Noted. Council will be providing an electrical connection suitable for a Return and Earn facility to be retrofitted in future, if NSW government wish to place a vending machine within the carpark.	Council consider additions to project as requested.
Lighting and toilets Pedestrian crossing	Feedback Noted. Council is unsure where the respondent would like a pedestrian crossing	
Public toilet as there is only one in the town business precinct, smart lighting for safety, free of charge, bike racks, shaded parking	Feedback Noted.	Council consider additions to project as requested.
Public Toilet facilities are a good addition.	Feedback Noted.	Council consider additions to project as requested.
The car park should contain toilet facilities, smart lighting, a charging station and a stand alone laundry facility. Traveling overseas last year in Ireland I found these amazing stand alone laundry facility in car parks. In Galway it was near a shopping centre so you could drop off your laundry go shopping and come back in 1 hour and it was done. There are lots of tourists passing through Bungendore and it would be so valuable for them and the residents There should also be a range of car park sizes. There are lots of vehicles that travel into Bungendore with trailers and boats and caravans. These people need to park their vehicles safely so they can buy some lunch or do some shopping. Even room for coaches would be good so people who are on an outing in a bus can stop and shop.	Feedback Noted. A laundry will likely be a commercial venture and outside of the scope of Council's core business. It is unlikely that a bus will be able to access the space in which the carpark is proposed. Bus infrastructure is already located within walking distance to most shops in Bungendore.	Council consider additions of toilet, smart lighting and a charging station as requested.
I think the car park should have toilet facilities	Feedback Noted.	Council consider additions to project as requested.

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Ideally all of the above facilities could be included. As a resident on the boundary of the car park it would be appreciated that high boundary fences are included to maintain privacy. CCTV & activated lighting for security would be an ideal inclusion.	Feedback Noted.	Council consider additions to project as requested.
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Survey Question 2:

If you are a business owner, how will the car park assist your business? Will additional signage /infrastructure assist this further?

	Council response	Recommendation
I have been a business owner located in this block in the past. Two things about the design of this carpark would help businesses nearby. 1. Safe and convenient pathways connecting carpark with surrounding streets. 2. Enabling businesses to address the carpark from around the carpark perimeter eg. with signs, new entries, no new high fences or other barriers between carpark and businesses	Where fencing is to be installed, Council will liaise with affected businesses to achieve a mutually convenient result. Council will be installing parking signage both within the carpark and guidance to the carpark.	Ensure safe and convenient pathways connecting the car-park.
I am a business owner but not in Bungendore. I believe that a clearly legible pedestrian moment corridor to surrounding commercial destinations would be of great benefit to local trade.	Council will be signposting access to the carpark	Revise pedestrian access to the carpark
Not a business owner but can see how building a car park in that position might entice someone to open a business given the car park will open up access between the "two" main streets in Bungendore.	Noted	Nil
Not a business owner but extra signage pointing to car park	Noted	Ensure signage guides pedestrians and vehicles to carpark
If it's close by to businesses it will make people stop in and look at the businesses as they can get a car park	Noted	Nil
Not a business but resident on the boundary of the car park.	Noted	Nil

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Survey Question 3:

Please provide any general feedback on the car park's design and usability.

	Council response	Recommendation
<p>Carpark layout is illegible and unnecessarily confusing for no apparent reason. Rotating the aisles in the SW corner 90 degrees so that they align with the layout further north would solve the problem and it appears to fit. I will forward a mockup to Council that I did in 2015 when this carpark design was first circulated. Design lacks consideration of how pedestrians will move between the carpark and the surrounding streets to access businesses. I think space for shade trees will be more important than vegetated swales. Concrete/heat absorbing surfaces should be minimised where they cannot be shaded in summer.</p>	<p>The layout of the carpark has been selected to optimise the number of car spaces within the carpark. This will be reconsidered when designing additional infrastructure within the carpark.</p>	<p>Explore additional accesses and include trees for shade.</p>
<p>I think I have made sufficient comment. I think you should upload more details to address my matters before consultation time finishes.</p> <p>Are you considering timed car parking. It should be noted whether it is publicly or privately operated and whether it is free ? Perhaps free for 2 hours (genuine tourists and shoppers ? My vote is it should be free if the community can afford it. Is there a safe and legal truck car park ? Is there a demonstrated need for one. If so consider nominating one bay 7am-7pm for overnight truck parking.</p> <p>Thank you for the opportunity to comment M</p>	<p>Council engineering staff do not read any feedback until after consultation has closed.</p> <p>Timed parking is not being considered at this stage. This will allow vehicles to not be constrained for their shopping/activities within the CBD.</p> <p>Long vehicle parking will be considered within the CBD however may not be within the carpark.</p>	<p>Nil</p>
<p>I think the car park is a great initiative and long overdue for the town, as on weekends / holidays, parking is in short supply. It would be great to have public toilets included as there is none down this end of town. Public toilets would also benefit events that are held in Ellendon Street (eg: Harvest Festival, gallery openings etc)</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>Nil</p>
<p>Great location, hope there is a one way in from Ellendon Street and one way out from Gibraltar Street with well lit foot paths in both directions.</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>Explore additional accesses.</p>
<p>Love that someone is thinking to open up useful space to try and activate the town a bit more.</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>Nil</p>



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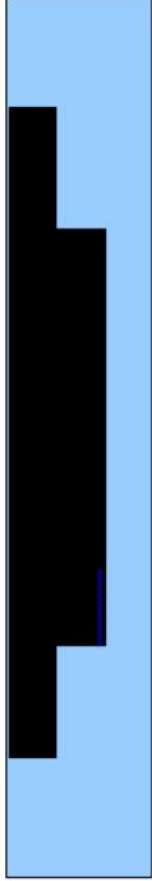
I hope that some of the large trees that are situated in the sections that are dividing the car park spaces are retained. This space will be rather hot in summer and the shade will be beneficial to users and will make the large space look significantly less barren	Shaded trees will be retained where possible.	Consider planting additional trees for shade.
I feel that just having a single entrance and exit is not sufficient, especially as the lane beside the Community Bank building is quite narrow. Due to the access larger vehicles such as motorhomes, cars with trailers, caravans etc will probably still park on the street or in the IGA car park as they currently do.	Council will explore the option of including long vehicle parking within the carpark. If this is not feasible Council will explore alternative options for long vehicle parking in other locations within Bungendore.	
need multiple entries and exits	Noted	Explore additional accesses.
We need more parking in the town especially for longer vehicles and toilet facilities closer to town centre especially around the bakery / leather shop. Caravan / RV parking with overnight stopping only if self contained.	Long vehicle parking will be included into the greater car parking plan. If long vehicle parking is not feasible within the carp park, Council will explore placing long vehicle parking elsewhere within walking distance. Overnight stopping is provided at the Bungendore showgrounds and won't be provided here.	Explore options for long vehicle parking.
It is not possible to provide useful feedback on the plan as the document as presented is incomplete. There are no details to provide plan-to-ground orientation; what is the street the car park entrance feeds from; what is housed beneath the building with the red roof; where is the associated 'data' that suggests a car park of that size; what are peak periods; will the NSW Govt be funding this; will this be like the plan for a roundabout for 'peak periods' and a short-term plan to provide an apparent fix for something that really isn't a problem.	Plan to ground orientation will be completed in the updated design. The carpark will be completed in stages as growth in car parking requirements becomes apparent. Council has funding allocated in accordance with Councils financial plans. The carpark is not related to the roundabout.	
Most cars are family cars / SUV / 4wd. People passing through with caravans/trailers. Good spacing and parking bays would be handy	Long vehicle parking will be included into the greater car parking plan. If long vehicle parking is not feasible within the carp park, Council will explore placing long vehicle parking elsewhere within walking distance.	Explore options for long vehicle parking.

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Similar to the iga would be great and a different entry and exit point would work well	Noted	Explore additional accesses.
Ensure parking space sizes are adequate - even possibly larger than the standard size space	Council must follow the Australian Standards for minimum car parking size.	
It needs to be a well lit area with a Pedestrian crossing and toilets	Council intends to install smart lighting, Toilet facilities and pedestrian infrastructure within the carpark,	
I think it's important to keep the parking free of charge Size of car park may be overkill as already a lot of parking options in Bungendore for public use.	There is no plan on charging users for parking in the carpark. The carpark will be completed in multiple stages allowing the carpark to be expanded as demand grows.	
The car park needs to have clearly sign posted entry and exit points and a designated pathway for shoppers. So people can be seen especially people who may have small children and prams or people using scooters or mobility aids.	Noted	Ensure signage guides pedestrians and vehicles to carpark
There is a need to ensure that residents maintain privacy; cars currently would be able to see into our existing windows; our house was required to be elevated by 600mm due to Council flood planning regulations. High boundary fencing & measures to discourage after hours unsociable behaviour including activated lighting & CCTV would address these. Thankyou	CCTV, smart lighting and other security measures will be installed as part of the smart infrastructure within the project.	Liaise with residents regarding appropriate fencing.

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Email 1



12 August 2019

Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council
PO Box 90
QUEANBEYAN
NSW 2621

Dear Sir,

SUBMISSION RE BUNGENDORE CAR PARK

The members of [REDACTED] have agreed the following comments which include a proposed alternative plan for the car park (attached).

Firstly, the Committee commends Council for advancing this project which has been the subject of much discussion and previous input from both this Committee and [REDACTED]

These comments are referenced to the advertised car park plan. The proposed alternative plan is a concept plan which includes these comments.

Points of difference:

- Many trees have been added (at the expense of some parking spots) to alleviate the summer heat in the carpark and encourage use and ambience of the area in the village. The provision of a strong tree canopy reduces the urban heat island effect making the design more environmentally friendly. It is recommended to plant large deciduous trees with colour (such as Acer rubrum October Glory Maple) to add character to the carpark and make it a feature of the village during autumn. The deciduous trees will provide shade in summer and allow sun in winter.
- The design configuration allows water sensitive urban design. Clever level design will allow the pavement to shed water into the parking median island using castellated kerbs and passively water the trees.
- Moved the northern extent (behind Nos 11 & 13 Gibraltar Street to the correct location.
- Aligning all the bays in a symmetrical manner to assist in location and context. The proposed design has a logical flow with uniform direction. This makes the carpark more functional than a multiple direction design.
- Reinforcement of the east west axis along the driveway from Ellendon Street by placement of a feature on the western boundary.
- Construction of an amenities block in an appropriate place without being visually imposing. The WC could be in the area behind Bendigo bank for passive surveillance.

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- Development of pathways from Malbon Street, Ellendong Street and possibly Gibraltar Street.
- Noted that the zoning for the area is such that the car park may not be extended further west, and a future extension should not be advertised. An entry/exit to the west onto Molonglo Street would be highly desirable and Council should be alert to opportunities which may arise to implement one.
- Encouragement of active frontages to the car park by allowing this to be an access to subdivision of some lots to the south, west and north (indicative examples shown).

The Committee strongly believes a critical component missing from the Bungendore Village is a central gathering place for markets and other small gatherings. The placement of shade trees and perhaps a stage would encourage this use. There is a perceived conflict with traffic rules in doing this in NSW and we request that the Council look at ways to allow this to easily occur without traffic control plans, advertising and long lead times. The car park needs to be pedestrian friendly. Events (for instance the Bungendore Car Show) could be held in the carpark without the need to shut streets.

The Committee noted the references in the Draft Structure Plan (Clause 1.7 Development Principles) to encouraging pedestrian links throughout the central business district. The car park should be seen as an opportunity to implement these rather than closing off options. There should be as many pedestrian accesses to the car park as possible and access from the rear of commercial properties adjoining the car park should be encouraged.

The Committee thanks Council for the opportunity to provide input to this planning initiative to make it an even more positive impact on the development of Bungendore.

Yours sincerely,

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Email 2

Please can you forward this mockup sketch to the staff designing the new Bungendore Car Park (community comment ends today). It shows that a simple modification to the basic layout appears feasible and delivers a much more legible design. Landscape elements based on DSB plan from 2015 are not particularly relevant to the current discussion although they do show more consideration of provision of shade and pedestrian access than the plan issued for community comment.

Regards



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Email 3 (internal email)

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With regards to Bungendore Car Parking Facility the features to consider for the car park, from community feedback I've received and working with stakeholders in region include:

- Mobility parking
- Long vehicle parking – this request has been particularly raised by Kings Highway Partnership that peak holiday time there is an increased amount and frequency of vehicles towing along the Kings Highway and stopping in the townships of Bungendore and Braidwood are challenging due to the lack of long vehicle parking. Vehicle tow boats, trailers, caravans, campers etc
- Motorbike parking – I've been asked for designated motorbike parking before for Bungendore and aware groups of motorbike riders often ride to the town as a destination
- Facilities to convey pedestrians that are separate to vehicle access points to the car-park so pedestrians aren't walking in and out of the car-park via drive-ways

Regards

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Council response to Emails

Email 1-

Council will explore the option of adding additional trees into the carpark. Council's urban landscapes team will select the tree species based on public feedback, aesthetics of Bungendore and practicality. Council will consider watering of these trees when updating the design of the carpark. If the updated design includes toilet infrastructure additional watering facilities will become available from roof top runoff.

The multiple direction design will be re-assessed in the updated design of the carpark.

Pedestrian access will be considered for both Malbon Street and Ellendon Street. The properties between Gibraltar Street and the carpark are privately owned and agreements would need to be put in place for this access to take place. Council will consider this in future stages of work.

The intention of the carpark is also to serve the community in other ways. This email has requested that the carpark be used for a central meeting place without the need for traffic control plans etc. In the event that the carpark is closed a traffic control plan will be required however its implementation will be far simpler than what is required to close a road.

Email 2-

The plan within email 2 has been noted. Council will consider the differences between the current plan and the emailed plan when the updated design is completed. Council will pay particular attention to the number of trees proposed and where possible increase this number. Council will also look at the orientation of the carpark.

Email 3-

Mobility parking will be constructed in accordance with Australian Standards and the Building Code of Australia. There will be a minimum of 2 mobility parks for the first 50 spaces and an additional park for every 50 spaces thereafter.

Council recognises that long vehicle parking is required within Bungendore. Council will look at the feasibility of including this long vehicle parking within the carpark, however it is also recognised that this may not be viable given the limited space. Council will look at including long vehicle parking elsewhere within walking distance to the centre of Bungendore's retail and commercial areas. Council will also investigate motorbike parking within the carpark.

Council engineers will look at adding additional pedestrian and vehicle access to the carpark.

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Recommendations and Conclusion

The results from public consultation has guided the following significant recommendations:

1. Addition of public toilet facilities be added to the design
2. Addition of additional vegetation to the carpark (in particular trees) be added to the design
3. Addition of CCTV and smart lighting be added to the design
4. Exploration of the feasibility of long vehicle parking (caravans/trailers etc)
5. Exploration of the feasibility of an additional entrance/exit/s.

Council will update the design with all recommendations considered. Council will then progress these designs through the relevant approvals with construction to commence. It is likely that construction will be completed in multiple stages with the first stage including the selected additional infrastructure recommended within this report.

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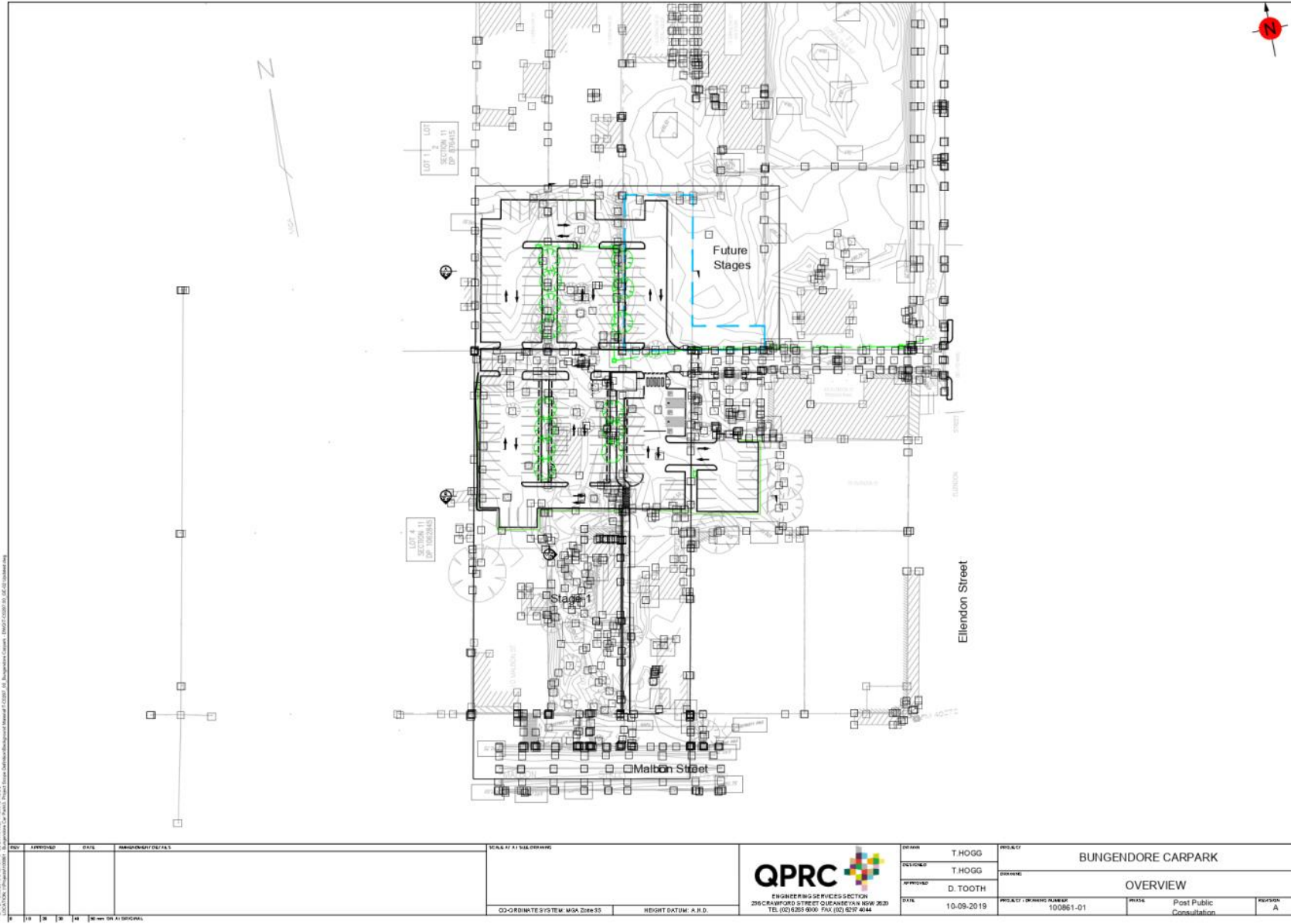
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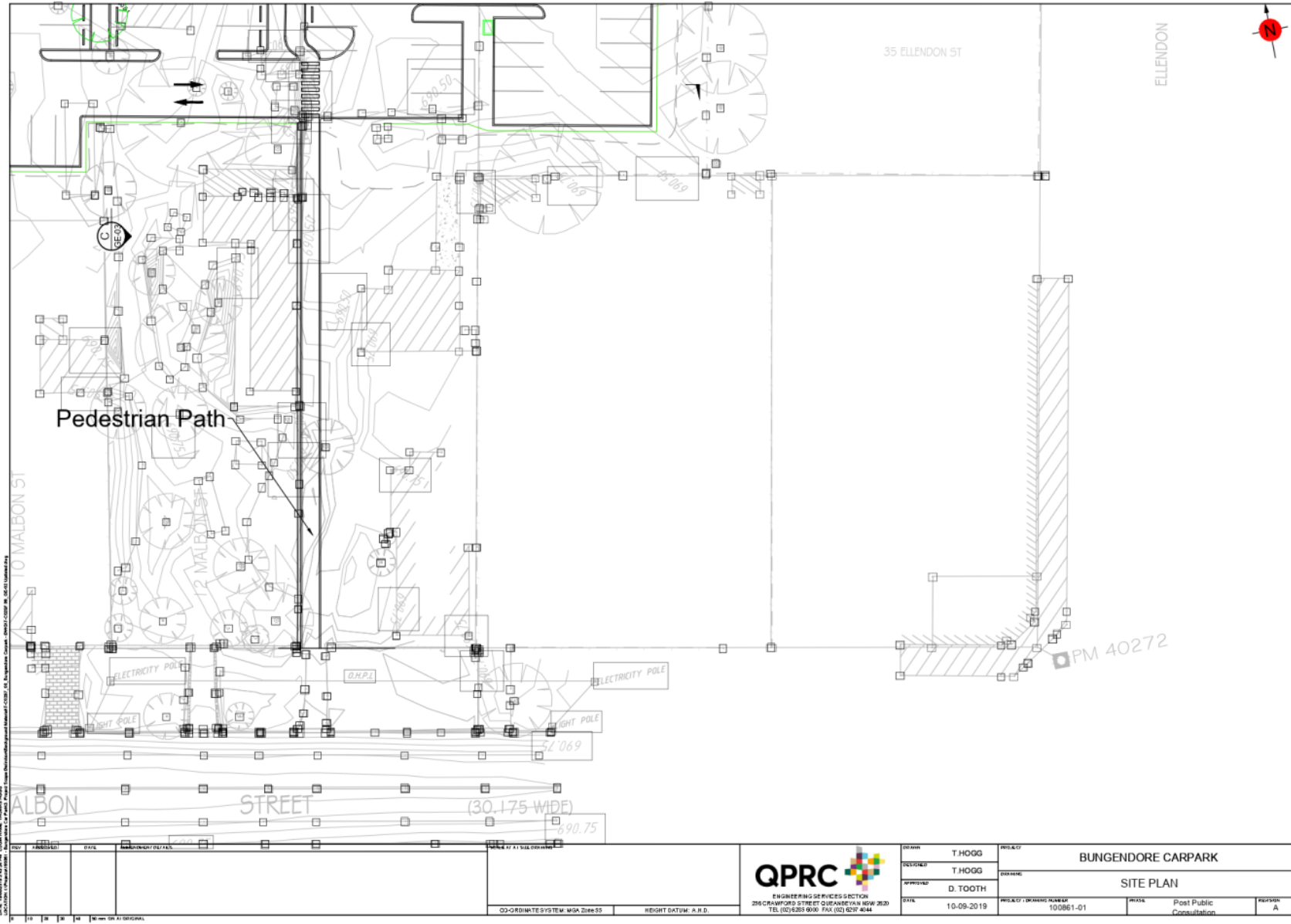
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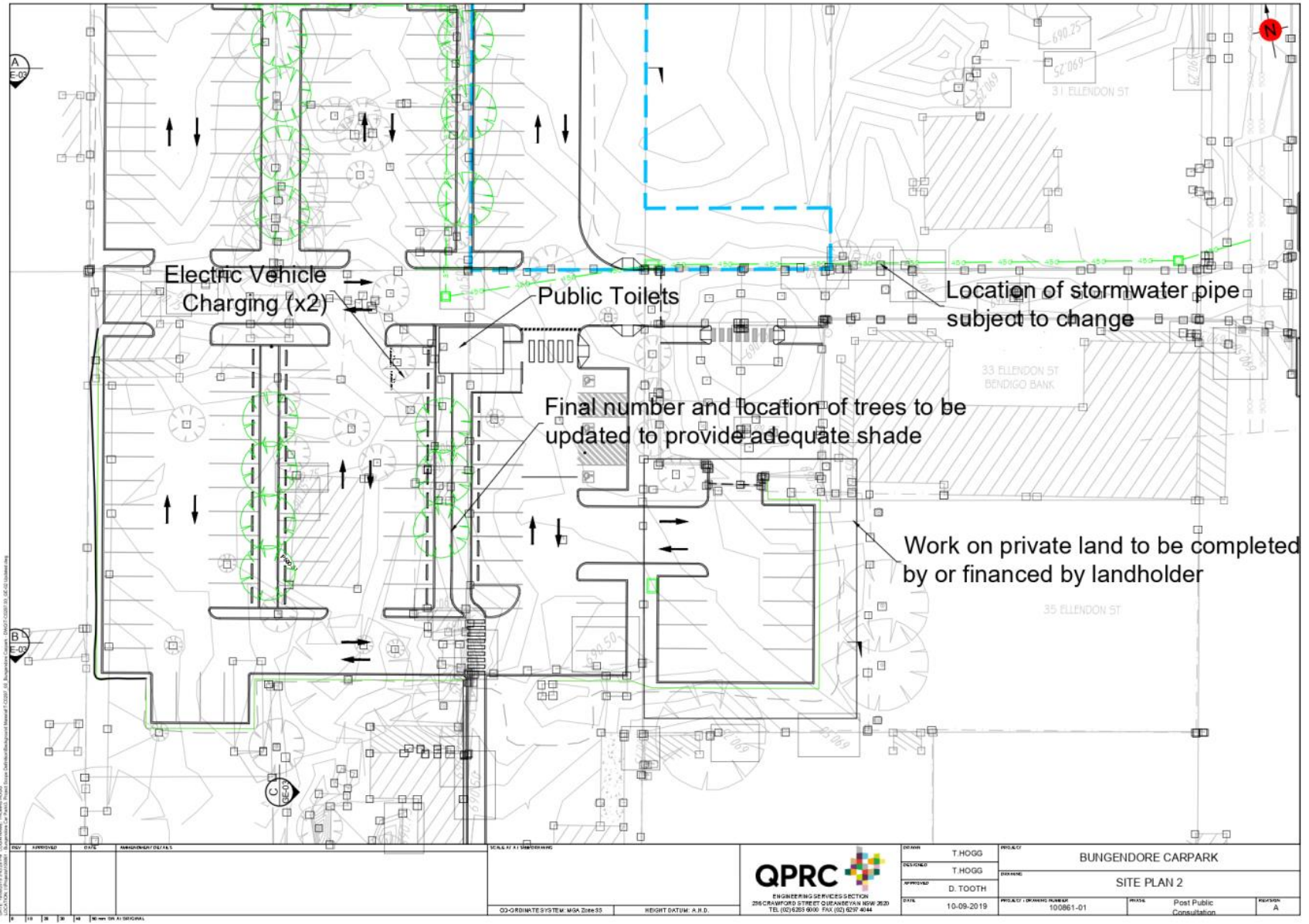
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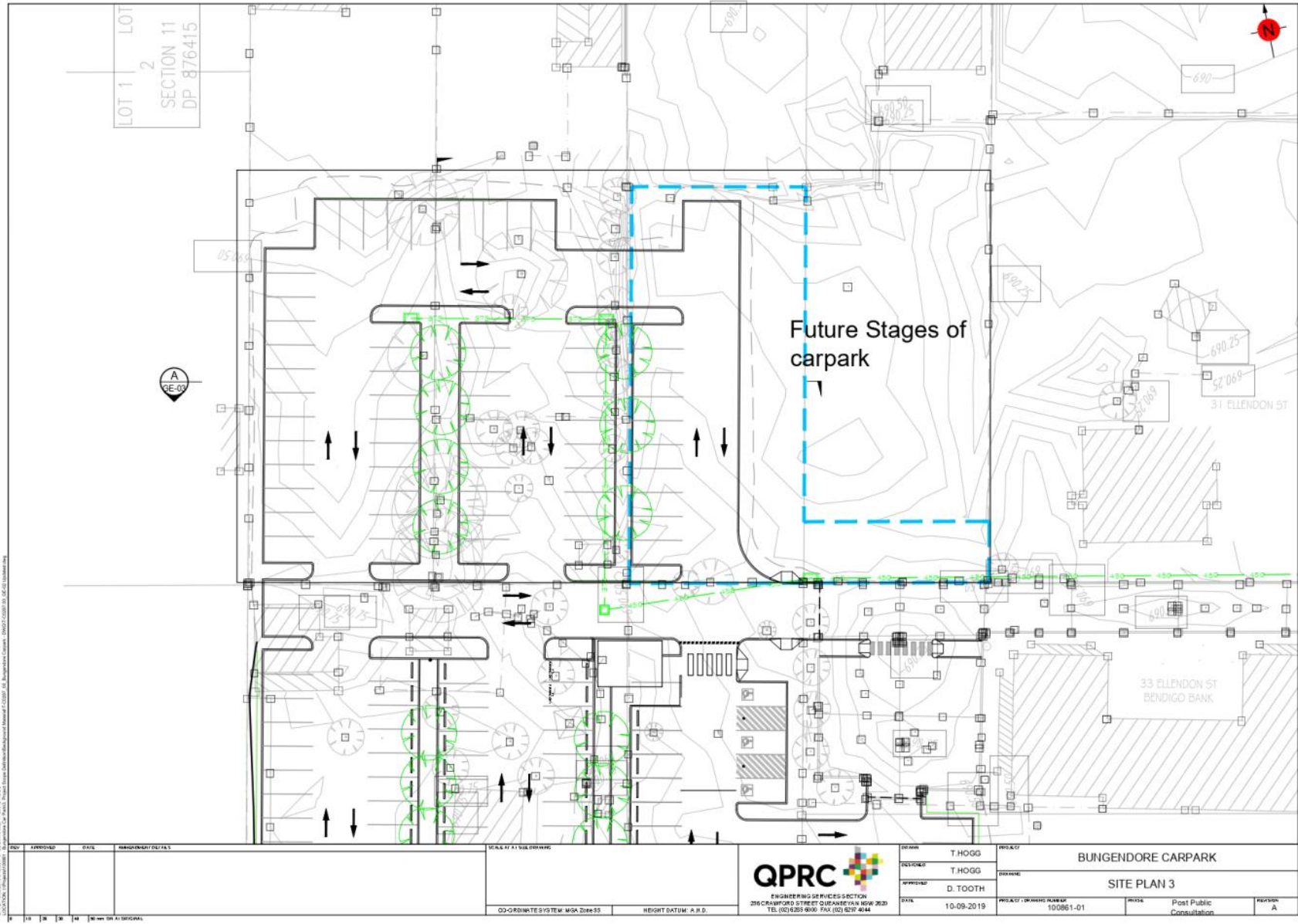
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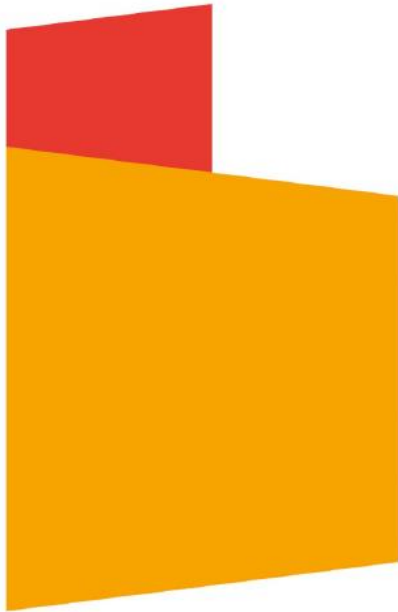
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ITEM 9.13 QPRC DIRECTIONAL SIGNAGE POLICY

ATTACHMENT 1 QPRC DIRECTIONAL SIGNAGE POLICY 2019



Draft
**Directional Signage
Policy**

Date policy was adopted:	... 2019	CEO Signature and date
Resolution number:	.../2019	
Next Policy review date:	2022/2023	
Reference number:		
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Directional Signage Policy 2019

1. OUTCOMES:

- 1.1 Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council (QPRC) recognises tourism as an important driver of the local economy, providing jobs and investment.
- 1.2 Directional signage at street junctions gives advance notice to road users, particularly visitors, about the location of key destination points of interest.
- 1.3 This policy provides a framework for a high standard of branded, coordinated and complementary directional signage that will:
 - (a) improve awareness and ease of navigation for travellers seeking access to tourist activities, services and facilities in QPRC;
 - (b) increase business activity for tourist and service operators;
 - (c) adopt technical standards which not only facilitate recognition and comprehension for travellers, but also ensure that QPRC complies with relevant Australian Standards and other procedures for the design, construction and safety standards of directional signage;
 - (d) consolidate directional signage in major towns by utilising white-on-blue recreation/facility signage at major intersections indicating name and distance; and white-on-brown attraction signage at key intersections indicating the type of attraction and distance.

2. SCOPE

- 2.1 This policy covers all directional signage to tourist businesses, attractions, services and community facilities proposed within road and recreation reserves under the care and control of QPRC.
- 2.2 The function of such signage is directional and informative only.

3. DEFINITIONS

“As of Rights” signs — directional signage erected by a public authority or road manager that does not require Council’s consent.

Banner — a large, stitched cloth bearing information, strung between two brackets either landscape or portrait style.

Community facilities — are generally of a non-commercial nature and are likely to be sought by a significant number of residents and visitors unfamiliar with the area. They include emergency medical facilities, public toilets, public telephones, churches and police (refer AS1742.5 and 6 for further descriptions).

Community facilities signs — white on blue signage for community service establishments and features of interest to tourists.

Directional signage — gives notice to road users of destinations that provide a service or a location of interest. Directional signage erected by Council or another public authority does not require development consent. It does not include advertising or promotional signage that is often erected on private property.

Prohibited signs — all signage placed within the road or recreation reserve without the approval of Council or the relevant authority.

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Road users — all persons using the street and road network whether in a motor vehicle or as a cyclist or pedestrian on a pathway.

Roadside stopping places — information bays, public toilets, truck parking etc. as noted in AS1742.6.

Sail — a piece of cloth attached by one edge to a rope or pole, bearing a distinctive design.

Commercial Service signs — white on blue signage that directs the travelling public to commercial services such as fuel, accommodation (including caravan parks), and refreshments as described in AS1742.6.

TASAC — acronym for the Tourist Attraction Signposting Assessment Committee formed by the NSW Government to have overall responsibility for the planning and implementation of tourist signposting systems.

Tourist attraction signs — white on brown signage that signals commercial and non-commercial tourist establishments and destinations of interest to tourists.

Tourist businesses — businesses which:

- are a Core Business Activity
- have all relevant state and local government licences
- are open to the public at appropriate times
- have a documented promotional plan
- are appropriately signed within the property line.

Tourist routes — routes that link experiences, attractions and services offered by different destinations, generally seeking to encourage visitors to explore tourism products that are not located on main roads.

4. LEGISLATIVE OBLIGATIONS AND/OR RELEVANT STANDARDS

This policy is to be read in conjunction with the following documents:

- *NSW Local Government Act 1993*
- *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*
- *State Environmental Planning Policy 64 – Advertising and Signage*
- *Road Transport Act 2013*
- Australian Standard for Street Name and Community Facility Signs, AS1742.5 “Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices, Part 5: Street Name and Community Facility Name Signs”
- Roads and Maritime Supplement to AS1742.5-2017: Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices – Part 5: Street name and community facility name signs
- Australian Standard for Street Name and Community Facility Signs, AS1742.6 “Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices, Part 6: Tourist and Service Signs
- Australian Standard for Service and Tourist Signs AS 1743 “Road Signs – Specifications”
- Tourist Signposting Manual – Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) and Destination NSW, Version 4.0, February 2012 (responsibility of TASAC)
- QPRC Local Orders Policy – Temporary Community Signs on Roadsides 2015
- Queanbeyan CBD Masterplan
- Bungendore Structure Plan

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5. POLICY

5.1 Council is the road authority for signage on roads that are not controlled by Transport NSW (RMS). As such, it must ensure that all signage conforms to relevant design, construction and safety standards and planning requirements.

5.2 For the purposes of this policy, the following QPRC organisational responsibilities apply:

5.2.1 Transport

- Town and locality signage
- Advance warning signs
- Speed limit signs
- Information bays
- Reassurance signs
- Roadwork signage
- Parking and other regulatory signs
- Real Estate signs
- Community facilities signs
- Commercial services signs
- Tourist information signs

5.2.2 Character

- Business identification signs
- Other advertising signs on private property
- Facility signs for parks, reserves and sporting centres

5.2.3 Business

- Point of reference in establishing whether a business qualifies for tourist or services signage
- Provision of initial advice and assistance to tourism businesses wishing to obtain tourist signage

5.3 Permissible Signs

Permissible signs are defined as:

- (a) Street name signs for all roads and road-related areas as defined in Part 2 Division 1 of the Road Rules 2008.
- (b) Emergency Service signs e.g. police, hospitals, ambulance, fire brigades and medical centres.
- (c) Service signs (white on blue) which direct road users to essential and desirable service facilities.

5.4 "As of Rights" signs – see **Schedule 1**

These are signs or notices erected by a public authority or road manager, not requiring Council's consent, notifying the public of possible hazards or of activities in a public area, e.g. roadwork signs, underground electricity; and any sign on a registered motor vehicle used principally for conveyance of goods or passengers.

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- 5.5 Community Facilities Signage (White on blue background) – see **Schedule 2**
- 5.5.1 The purpose of community facility directional signage is to advise road users of the direction to generally non-commercial facilities which are located on side streets and are likely to be sought by a significant number of visitors. This may also include signage at the facility. The number of facilities which can be effectively signposted at any one point should be limited, as proliferation or over-usage can confuse road users.
- 5.5.2 These signs use internationally recognised approved symbols and are typically for community service establishments and facilities of interest to tourists such as:
- airports/aerodromes
 - arts centres and galleries
 - car parking (timed/all day)
 - childcare centres
 - churches, mosques, synagogues
 - council buildings
 - golf courses
 - hospitals
 - interpretation centres
 - major institutions such as universities
 - racecourses
 - recreation/sporting centres
 - schools and pre-schools
 - swimming pools
- 5.5.3 As specific community facilities are likely to be sought by name, the shortest name by which the facility is commonly known should be shown on the sign. In the case of a religious facility, a denominational name may be included.
- 5.6 Service Signage (White on blue background) – see **Schedule 2**
- These signs generally use Australian Standard symbols to direct travellers to facilities and services that may benefit them, such as:
- accommodation facilities
 - caravan and camping parks
 - parking areas
 - public toilets
 - rest areas
 - service stations
 - visitor information centres
- 5.7 Tourist Attraction Signage (White on brown background) – see **Schedule 3**
- These signs indicate commercial and non-commercial tourist establishments and features of significant recreation and cultural interest to tourists. They include:
- botanic gardens
 - boutique businesses catering for tourists
 - conservation parks
 - heritage items
 - historic sites, buildings or towns
 - museums and historic properties
 - national parks and forests
 - natural features on the landscape or streetscape
 - scenic lookouts
 - tourist drives and trails

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- wineries catering for tourists

5.8 Street Banners and Sails

- 5.8.1 Upon application, and subject to Council's prior approval, street banners and sails may be erected to promote festivals, significant events, public awareness campaigns and community activities.
- 5.8.2 Council-sponsored events will take precedence. Community groups and special events will be given priority over other external users.
- 5.8.3 Council's decision to accept or reject applications for a booking is final and not open to appeal.
- 5.8.4 Material deemed inappropriate or offensive to the community at large, or a particular community sector, will not be permitted.
- 5.8.5 Banners and sails are to be constructed of a sturdy material such as PVC or canvas that will not tear in the wind and thereby present a hazard to traffic (TYVEK is not an acceptable material for banners).
- 5.8.6 Organisations will be limited to making one booking per year for each event, unless otherwise approved.
- 5.8.7 Council will not accept street banners and sails that are of a commercial nature.

5.9 Illuminated Signage/Festoon Lighting/Nature Walk Signage

- 5.9.1 Council will consider requests for festoon lighting within the Queanbeyan CBD, Bungendore, Braidwood and Captains Flat town centre areas.
- 5.9.2 Illuminated and/or sponsored street or facility signage is not permitted. (Note: Illuminated sponsored street signage in place at the time of adopting this policy may continue to be used while ever it is maintained in good repair and condition).
- 5.9.3 Signage directing or guiding pedestrians along tourist, river, bushland, park or other nature walks is permitted.

5.10 Prohibited signs

- 5.10.1 Under this policy, the following signs are prohibited:
 - (a) items attached to trees, power poles, telecommunication poles, existing signage poles;
 - (b) any sign on a trailer, whether registered or not, which is used principally as an advertisement rather than as a vehicle or trailer;
 - (c) any sign or bill poster placed within the nature strip/verge (1.2m from kerb/gutter as shown in Council's Street Verge Management Policy) or road reserve (e.g. power or telecommunication poles, existing signage poles etc).
- 5.10.2 Cultural event signage, such as for festivals, is restricted, being permitted for up to two weeks prior to the event and removed within one week after the event (see QPRC Local Orders Policy – Temporary Community Signs on Roadsides 2015).

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- 5.10.3 SEPP 64 and the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* apply to signage for elections.
- 5.11 Priority and Number of Signs
- 5.11.1 To avoid a proliferation of signs, a maximum of two community facility and/or tourist attraction signs may be placed at any one location, in addition to street name signs and “As of Rights” signs.
- 5.11.2 Space on a signpost is to be allocated to signs in the following priority order:
- Priority 1: Street name
 - Priority 2: Emergency services (ambulance, hospital, police and medical centres)
 - Priority 3: “As of Rights”
 - Priority 4: Service
 - Priority 5: Tourist attraction/community facilities
- 5.11.3 Consideration will be given to ensure road safety is not compromised due to the distraction of road users.
- 5.12 Installation of Signs
- 5.12.1 Signs will be designed and installed as per AS1742.5.
- 5.12.2 Community facility and tourist attraction signage may only be placed on existing signposts holding street signs.
- 5.12.3 Additional community facility signs that are installed must have 2m clearance with the top of the kerb, unless the sign is above a pedestrian walkway. Where a street sign hangs above a pedestrian walkway, a clearance of 2.5m is required between the walkway and the bottom of the sign.
- 5.13 Costs
- 5.13.1 Application fees for a permit to display signage apply for:
- accommodation facilities
 - caravan and camping parks/areas
 - commercial tourist operations
 - golf courses
 - major institutions such as universities
 - racecourses
 - school signs that include the name of the school
 - service stations
 - wineries catering for tourists
- 5.13.2 The following signs are exempt from an application fee:
- airports/aerodromes
 - arts centres
 - botanic gardens
 - churches
 - conservation parks
 - emergency services
 - historic sites/buildings/towns
 - national parks

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- natural features
- non-commercial tourists operations
- parking areas
- public toilets
- recreation centres
- rest areas
- scenic lookouts
- swimming pools
- tourist drives and trails
- tourist information bays
- visitor information centres

5.13.3 The cost to design and install signage is the responsibility of the applicant.

5.13.4 The cost of maintenance and removal of signage is the responsibility of Council.

5.13.5 It is the applicant's responsibility to immediately notify Council to remove all directional signage to the property in the event of the business closing.

5.13.6 The signage remains the property of Council.

6. REVIEW

6.1 This policy will be reviewed every four years.

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Schedule 1

S1.1 Examples of "As of Rights" signage



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Schedule 2

S2.1 *Examples of internationally recognised approved symbols for community facilities and service signage*

(Generally white on blue background)



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Schedule 3

S3.1 *Examples of internationally recognised approved symbols for tourist establishments and features of significant recreation and cultural interest signage*

(White on brown background)



Winery



Walking track



Scenic lookout



Historic Village



Gallery



Aboriginal

