

1. FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR TURF CLUB FOR SHOWGROUND MAINTENANCE

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Link to Strategic Plans	CSP – 4.1.2 – The Council elected members are representative of the community and provide strong and visionary leadership. CSP – 4.3.5 – Ensure Council meets the requirements of local government reforms and proactively engages in any processes. CSP – 4.1.3 – Provide opportunities for community members to participate in Council's decision making processes. CSP- 4.4.5 – Assist in facilitating partnerships and collaboration at a local level between communities, groups, businesses and community organisations.

Executive Summary

The Turf Club seek Council support for some of the works that they are routinely undertaking at the Narromine Showground.

Report

Over the past several months the Executive of the Narromine Turf Club have been discussing the potential for ongoing support of some of the routine work that is undertaken by the Turf Club. Largely the support would be a contribution towards some of the ground keeping works undertaken as well as financial relief for the water usage.

Turf Club Executive have outlined that this work is undertaken by the Turf Club for the benefit of the whole Community and as such a greater contribution from the community is warranted.

Financial Implications

At this time the financial or works contribution suggested has not been nominated.

Some further investigations are required by Council staff to determine the costs being paid by the Turf Club, the benefits to the community and the costs that Council would incur if Council undertook the maintenance.

Legal and Regulatory Compliance

Crown Lands Management Act 2016

Local Government Act 1993

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Risk Management Issues

Risk management issues are considered minimal in the adoption of the recommendation.

Consultation

Initial discussions only with Turf Club representatives. In developing a further report there will be additional consultation with Council Departments and the draft Narromine Showground Plan of Management.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council request that staff develop a report outlining options for further supporting the Narromine Turf Club and the upkeep of the Narromine Showgrounds.

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