

# Minutes

## Benalla Indoor Recreation Centre Redevelopment Project Steering Committee

**Date:** Thursday 15 August 2022

**Venue:** Civic Centre (Council Meeting Room)  
13 Mair Street, Benalla  
and MS Teams

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<b>Chair</b>	Adrian Gasperoni	Project Manager
<b>Committee</b>	Cr Don Firth	Councillor Representative
	Cr Bernie Hearn	Councillor Representative
	Wally Armstrong	Benalla Basketball Association
	Noel Baumgarten	Community Member
	David Booth	Community Infrastructure and Place, Sport and Recreation Victoria
	Tom O'Connor	Basketball Victoria
	Terry Nowland	BIRC Committee of Management
	Simone Sammon	Community Member
	<b>In attendance</b>	Tom Arnold
Dean Steegstra		Open Space Coordinator
Bree Glass		Administration Officer

### **Acknowledgement of Country**

The Chair opened the meeting at 11am and recited the following acknowledgement of Country:

*We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we are meeting.*

*We pay our respects to their Elders past and present and to Elders from other communities who may be here today.*

### **Apologies**

An apology was received from Councillor Bernie Hearn.

### **Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 1 August 2024 were circulated to Committee Members for review.

The minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed by the committee.

## Business

### 1. Project Opportunities

The Chair announced the resignation of Keith Biglin as Project Manager.

The Chair lead a discussion on the project opportunities.

### 2. Project Design and Community Consultation

The Chair lead a discussion on the project design and community consultation.

Brand Architects have developed a consultation package for the community with a questionnaire and feedback form. This consultation will run for a minimum of four weeks.

#### Strategy and Proposed Community Engagement Plan

- The first two weeks of engagement will be undertaken via Have Your Say website, Posters, postcards, Social media etc.
- Workshops for the second two week period, to understand needs.
- Potential for a 'drop in' centre if needed.
- Consultation to be more targeted to the current user groups in the first instance.
- Consultation will also be undertaken with Council's reference groups for advice – Disability Accessibility Working Group, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community.

Time sensitive: Re-brand and approval of consultation material will need to be ready by end of next week.

Need to be realistic and manage expectations for what can be delivered with the funding provided.

Opportunity to open use of the old facility for other sporting groups to utilise. The new multi sports complex may open opportunities for new user groups to participate with the new space.

It was noted that there are difficulties with the Barkly Street site due to limitations of space due to heritage buildings and an authority sewer running through the site.

Due to the possible confusion of the existing BIRC site and the new development it was discussed that a new 'Working Title' for the project should be considered. The following names were discussed.

- Benalla Multi Sports Stadium
- Benalla Multi Sports Complex
- Benalla Sports Stadium
- Benalla Indoor Recreation Centre Barkly Street
- Benalla Sport Precinct

The working group discussed that the 'Benalla Multi Sports Complex' is the preferred name.

### **3. Information Sharing**

A site visit will be held at 10am Monday 2 September 2024 at the Barkly Street site, prior to the meeting commencing at 11am.

### **4. Actions**

The actions list has been provided to committee members.

### **Closure of Meeting at 12.44pm**

**Date of Next Meeting:** Thursday 29 August 2024  
**Time:** 11am  
**Venue:** Civic Centre (Council Meeting Room)  
13 Mair Street, Benalla