

Minutes

Benalla Indoor Recreation Centre Redevelopment Project Steering Committee

Date: Thursday 1 August 2022

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

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Chair	Adrian Gasperoni	Manager Assets and Infrastructure
Committee	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
	Jake Keogh	Basketball Victoria
	Terry Nowland	BIRC Committee of Management
	Simone Sammon	Community Member
	In attendance	Tom Arnold
Dean Steegstra		Open Space Coordinator
Bree Glass		Administration Officer
Laura Heyning		Brand Architects
Peter Muhlebach		Brand Architects

Acknowledgement of Country

The Chair opened the meeting at 5.30pm 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 Keith Biglin.

Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting

There are no previous minutes of the Benalla Indoor Recreation Centre Redevelopment Project Streeting Committee.

Business

1. Introductions

The Chair lead committee introductions.

2. Terms of Reference

The *Benalla Indoor Recreation Centre Redevelopment Project Steering Committee Terms of Reference* were provided to all committee members. No comments or changes were provided.

3. Project Plan and Schedule

The Chair lead a discussion on the project plan and schedule. The project schedule will be provided to committee members once it's available.

4. Project Site, Concept Ideas and Opportunities

The Chair lead a discussion on the project site, concept ideas and opportunities.

The *Benalla Indoor Recreation Centre Masterplan* was adopted by the Council at its meeting on 13 November 2019. The *Benalla Indoor Recreation Centre Masterplan* and Council report were provided to all committee members.

- The committee discussed the Barkly Street site. MAI advised that Council is working toward an agreement to obtain the land required for the project.
- It was noted the Council gave in principle support for the Benalla P-12 College Barkly Street Campus as the preferred site location for the *Benalla Indoor Recreation Centre Redevelopment project* at its meeting on 24 April 2024. There may be future factors and issues that arise throughout the project that could potentially impact this site as the preferred site.
- Wally asked if the current basketball stadium at the Barkly Street site will be demolished or utilised with the new BIRC design. The Chair advised that this should be considered by the committee.
- Noel asked if squash courts could fit into the current basketball stadium at the Barkly Street site, that way it could be utilised rather than demolished. The Chair advised the structure is in reasonable condition and could be an option for the committee to considered.

5. Project Design, Community Consultation and Next Steps

Laura and Peter of Brand Architects presented the project background and preliminary concept design proposal to the committee. Laura advised that the design is indicative and provides an idea and a starting point for what the funding could provide.

Peter advised that there could be potential to allocate funds to refurbish the current basketball stadium at the Barkly Street site.

Laura and Peter also presented a draft community engagement plan and program.

6. Petition: The Council to Include Squash Courts in the *Benalla Indoor Recreation Centre Redevelopment Project*

A petition containing 615 signatories has been received requesting the Council include six squash courts in the *Benalla Indoor Recreation Centre Redevelopment Project*.

The Council at its meeting on Wednesday 31 July 2024 resolved, that the *Benalla Indoor Recreation Centre Redevelopment Project Steering Committee* consider the issues raised within the petition during the design stage of the *Benalla Indoor Recreation Centre Redevelopment Project*.

7. Information Sharing

The Chair discussed the importance of frequent meetings initially and would like the Steering Committee to hold fortnightly meetings in the initial stage of the project.

The Committee agreed that the most suitable day and time is Thursday's at 11am.

8. Actions

The Actions List was provided to committee members.

Closure of Meeting.

The meeting closed at 7.10pm.

Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 15 August 2024
Time: 11am
Venue: Civic Centre (Council Meeting Room)
13 Mair Street, Benalla