

Ordinary Meeting of Council

Date: Friday 25th September 2020



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- ★ Item CEO7 Regional Community Hub – Finalisation of Schematic Design

BOULIA SHIRE COUNCIL

Report for Ordinary Meeting held on 25th September 2020

TITLE:	Regional Community Hub – Finalisation of Schematic Design	DOC REF: Item CEO7 LATE REPORT
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REPORT BY:	Lynn Moore Chief Executive Officer	DATE: 25/09/2020
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CORPORATE PLAN REFERENCE:

Key Priority 1: A strong supportive community environment

1.1: Promotion of community events, services and facilities

1.1.3 Maintain a high quality of life by providing facilities and resources that encourage a secure, interactive and progressive community lifestyle

Key Priority 3: Economic Development – A sustainable local economy

3.1: Facilitate employment and investment opportunities

3.1.3 Facilitate networks and partnerships between local business, industry groups and government

3.2: Support local business and advocate for the region

3.2.1 Support opportunities for new and existing businesses

3.2.2 Actively support networks and partnerships between local businesses, industry groups, relevant organisations and State and Federal government

3.3: Innovate and explore opportunities

3.3.1 Identify economic opportunities and enablers for the Shire

3.3.2 Enhance digital connectivity opportunities for the Shire

3.3.3 Grants, commercial and regulatory functions and other revenue sources increases

3.4: Promote Boulia Shire and the RAPAD region as a region for tourism and development opportunities

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Key Priority 4: Caring for the environment

4.1: Well managed

4.1.2 Facilitate land and infrastructure planning and development that meets the needs of the community

PURPOSE:

To advise Council of the finalisation of the Schematic Design of the proposed Regional Community Hub.

CONTENT:

Thanks to grant funding received under the Maturing the Infrastructure Pipeline Program 2 (MIPP2) from the Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning, Council has been able to embark on a project to commence the ground work in investigating the potential for a Regional Community Hub in Boulia.

Following the commencement of the feasibility study in 2018, the project has gone through two main phases, the community consultation phase which was undertaken by Mead Perry Group, with initial concept designs being drafted by Griffith University, and the schematic design phase which was outsourced to Architect's People Orientated Design (POD).

POD have done a large amount of work on the design, inclusive of consultation with staff and Councillors, and the inclusion of specialist surveyors and consultants to ensure the necessary site surveillance has been accounted for and an accurate cost estimate for the building has been able to be obtained.

This report presents to Council the final Schematic Design produced by POD and seeks Council's endorsement of the document so that the grant funding acquittal can be finalised.

CONSULTATION: Nil	
GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS: The final schematic design is required to be endorsed by Council in for the MIPP2 grant acquittal to be finalised and the final funding payment to be made to Council.	
RECOMMENDATION: That Council approve the Boulia Regional Community Hub Schematic Design Report as attached to the Regional Community Hub – Finalisation of Schematic Design report.	
TABLED DOCUMENT: Boulia Regional Community Hub Schematic Design Report	
Chief Executive Officer	Ms Lynn Moore