



## **Shire of Dumbleyung Secures \$1.6M Federal Government Funding for Dumbleyung Swimming Pool Redevelopment**

The Federal Government announced earlier today that the Shire of Dumbleyung had been successful in securing \$1.6M in grant funding for the Dumbleyung Swimming Pool Redevelopment Project.

This funding forms part of the Federal Government's Growing Regions Program which aims to drive regional economic prosperity by providing access to funding for community focused infrastructure projects.

The Shire of Dumbleyung had (re)submitted a grant funding application into the second round of the Growing Regions Program following an unsuccessful bid lodged for a first round submission.

Shire President Amy Knight said, 'This is an amazing outcome for the Shire and community of Dumbleyung'.

'The Shire of Dumbleyung was previously successful in securing another \$1.6M from the State Government through the Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF)'.

'This brings the total Federal and State Government grant funding available for the Dumbleyung Swimming Pool Redevelopment Project to \$3.2M'.

'The more grant funding available means a lower financial impact on Shire ratepayers, noting the final project funding model is unable to be determined until contract tender pricing is known'.

Shire CEO Gavin Treasure said, 'There's been lot's of investigations, planning and business case development work progressed for this important project over the past three years, which has culminated in these successful grant funding outcomes'.

'In the case of the Federal Government Growing Regions Program, the Shire of Dumbleyung is competing with much larger and better resourced Local Government Authorities right across Australia.'

'Only well planned and considered projects with compelling business cases are shortlisted for grant funding consideration, so the significant effort exerted by the Shire and its support team has been instrumental in this success; thank you to everyone involved.'

'Next steps include entering into a Grant Agreement with the Federal Government to access the \$1.6M grant funding. A contract for redevelopment works cannot progress until these grant access arrangements have been formalised.'

'We will continue to keep our local Shire of Dumbleyung community informed as to project progress.'

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