



Dumbleyung Swimming Pool Community Update

Significant progress has been achieved on a number of project planning activities relating to the Dumbleyung Swimming Pool Redevelopment Project.

Planning

A major project planning milestone was achieved with the Dumbleyung Swimming Pool Redevelopment reaching detailed design status. This places the project in a state of project readiness subject to a suitable funding strategy being implemented. Work will now commence to prepare appropriate tender documentation in readiness for a potential project commencement.

An updated Quantity Surveyor's (QS) estimate was sought following the completion of the detailed design phase. This QS advice has indicated an increased estimated capital expenditure cost for the project at circa \$5.775M.

Funding

On 24th November 2023, the Shire of Dumbleyung was informed by the Federal Government that its Expression of Interest submission into the Growing Regions Program (Round One) was successful. Through this notification, the Shire of Dumbleyung was invited to lodge a full Application by the closing date of 15th January 2024. A full project Application, including Business Case and various supporting project planning documentation, was successfully completed and submitted by this deadline. The Shire of Dumbleyung is seeking circa \$2.665M as a Federal Government grant contribution towards the project. No return date has been advised when applicants will be informed of the outcomes from their application. The Federal Government has informed that the program has been heavily oversubscribed so there are no guarantees of success.

Earlier, the Shire of Dumbleyung had also pulled together a project funding submission seeking \$1.632M in State Government grant funds from the Community Sporting & Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF) by the closing date of 30th September 2023. This is also a competitive grant funding program with eligible applicants from right across the State i.e. Perth metropolitan area(s) and regional Western Australia. The Shire is also awaiting feedback on this funding application.

A final project funding strategy will be determined by the Shire of Dumbleyung once the outcomes of these two important grant funding submissions are known.

Site Hydrology

The Shire of Dumbleyung has procured the services of expert hydrology with additional civil and structural engineering support to assist the Shire in better understanding the subsurface drainage issues impacting the immediate pool precinct and surrounding areas. The aim of this work is to identify and integrate a subsurface drainage solution that protects both the pool site and adjacent buildings into the future. Whilst subsurface water issues remain, it would be premature (and unwise) to issue a tender and contract for new pool construction works. At present, subsurface water levels are remaining constant, despite the pool being decommissioned. The Shire is gradually lowering the existing water level in the main swimming pool basin in preparation for further potential drainage treatment activities.

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