

## FAQs – Lake Charlegrark Precinct Development

### **How will this project impact on my rates?**

The contribution by council for this proposal has been incorporated into council's Long Term Financial Plan. Therefore, council does not expect the project to have any impact on rates. The remaining funding variance is expected to be achieved through a combination of sources ie. Community fundraising, government grant opportunities.

### **What is the funding break down for this project?**

In May 2016, Member for Mallee Andrew Broad advised West Wimmera Shire Council it was eligible to receive funding through the Commonwealth's Drought Communities Program. Council has allocated a notional amount of \$300k from this Program to the Hub.

At the Ordinary Council Meeting November 2015, council resolved to contribute \$50k to this project. Several community partners are putting financial and in-kind support towards the project, including:

- Lake Charlegrark Committee of Management
- Lake Charlegrark Country Music Marathon
- Goroke Apex

Additional funding is currently being sought through Regional Development Victoria programs to cover the deficit.

### **Why is Council doing this?**

The proposal has been discussed at length over many years. Council believes this project will achieve significant economic benefit for West Wimmera, as well as many social and environmental benefits for the community.

### **What will the project include?**

There are two major components to this project:

1. Power upgrade: installation of three phase power to Lake Charlegrark
2. New amenities: construction of a new ablutions block (including sewerage connection)

Minor works included in the project involve new table and seating, a BBQ, a second toilet block and repairs to the jetty.

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There are a number of ideas as to how the site could be further developed. Once this enabling infrastructure is installed, it is expected that the Committee of Management, council and other stakeholders will discuss the potential next stages.

### **Will there be any disruption to services?**

Council will aim to minimise disruption to services. However, there may be a stage where the use of Lake Charlegrark is restricted to the public. Council and the Committee of Management will ensure sufficient notification is given to anyone wanting to use the area during this time.

### **When will the works be completed?**

It is proposed construction could commence during the first half of 2017, and council is looking to have the works completed within a year. However, all works are dependent on constraints such as weather, contractor availability, etc.

More information |

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