

# Eaton Advisory Group Meeting

Eaton Administration Centre

Wednesday, 10 February 2021

## Notes

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### Attendance

#### Elected Members

Cr. M Bennett	Chairperson
Cr. C Boyce	Advisory Group Member
Cr. S Gillespie	Advisory Group Member
Cr. J Dow	Elected Member
Cr. M Hutchinson	Elected Member

#### Community

Ms. Julie King	Community
Ms. Jenna Priddle	Community
Mr. Graham Lord	Community
Ms. Kate Swayne	Community
Ms. Dorothy Dye	Community
Mr. Zee Rijkuris	Community
Mr. Ken Lowth	Community
Ms. Caroline Gregorio	Community
Ms. Joy Coatalen	Community

#### Staff

Mr. Andre Schönfeldt	Chief Executive Officer
Mr. Luke Botica	Director Infrastructure
Ms. Susan Oosthuizen	Director Sustainable Development
Mr. Nathan Ryder	Manager Infrastructure Planning & Design
Ms. Vicki Pretorius	Landscape Design Officer
Ms. Lucy Owen- Conway	Manager Place & Community Engagement
Ms. Peta Nolan	Governance Officer

#### Apologies

Cr. P Perks	Deputy Chairperson
Mr. Paul Docherty	Community

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## Meeting Open 4.35pm

### Welcome

Welcome and Acknowledgment of Country by Mr. Andre Schönfeldt.

### Overview of Governance

- Disclosure of Interest

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### Disclosure of Interest

The following members declared a proximity interest:-

Mr André Schönfeldt – Chief Executive Officer  
Mr Michael Bennett – Shire President  
Cr Stacey Gillespie – Elected Member  
Ms Julie King – Community  
Graham Lord – Community

The following members declared an impartiality interest:-

Mr André Schönfeldt – Chief Executive Officer  
Mr Michael Bennett – Shire President

It was agreed that members would participate in all discussion.

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### Community Engagement Projects

#### Lucy Owen- Conway – Manager Place and Community Engagement

#### 2020/2021 events, projects and public art debrief;

- Spring out Festival
- Buy it back Fair
- To come – Walk on the Wild Side
- Summer in the Park – a number of local events
- School Holiday Programs
- Youth Programs
- Library Programs
- Public Art – Peninsula Lakes and Hamilton Road (Advisory Group suggestion - note fences on Eaton Drive and Sindhi Park to be included in future programs)

**Did Advisory Group hear about the events** – people saw advertising on Facebook and emails.

- Suggestion to use electronic messaging boards more – approach Citygate for space at Eaton Fair Shopping Centre. Displays to be major entries at Eaton Drive and Hamilton Road.
- Promote to local schools to include in family e-newsletters.
- Instagram and Tik Tok should be used for youth. Target local schools and the local sporting groups.

#### 2021/2022 events, projects and public art group discussion;

Ideas to include or continue with:-

- Spring out Festival
  - Buy it Back Fair
  - Food Trucks Event – Dinner – International Food Fair
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- Arts and Culture at the Eaton Foreshore
  - Winter Events – Arts Festival with Digital Art component. Light Festival. Involve the school students. Possible joint event with the Shire of Harvey. Look at Mandurah for examples of events on the foreshore.

Contact Lucy if you have any other ideas.

Community and Event Funding available – contact staff for details. If you have any ideas for bigger projects come forward to Council and we can assist.

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### **Launch of The Shire of Dardanup 2050 Vision André Schönfeldt – Chief Executive Officer**

Video was presented on the process leading to the launch of the Vision document.  
The Official launch to be held on Thursday 11 February 2021 at the Community Forum for the New Civic Centre.

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### **Master Planning**

#### **Peninsula Lakes Park – Masterplan Vicki Pretorius – Landscape Design Officer**

Master Plan was tabled and each item presented.

The playground was installed by Council late in 2019 and then there was an expansion planned, therefore a Master planning process was commenced. The draft plan has been presented to the Assets Team who have developed a standards guide - this park is intended as a neighbourhood park which influences the type of improvements included. Planning using principles to make the park more accessible and to use the space wisely is important.

Following this meeting it is proposed to take the draft plan to the February Council Meeting to be endorsed for community comment.

- Discussion about inclusion of a toilet facility - it was advised that as a Level 2 Class neighbourhood park toilets would not be considered but that signage to let park users know of the location of the nearest public toilets could be looked at;
- It is a positive to see bike racks to encourage cycling;
- An accessible picnic table will be included and will be the standard for future parks;
- Bus stop – shire to liaise with PTA regarding bus routes;
- Integration of natural environment to be considered. How can facilities be developed to complement the natural feel?

#### ***Eaton/Millbridge Community Facilities Plan*** **Nathan Ryder - Manager Infrastructure Planning and Design**

#### ***Proposed and possible future improvements tabled for discussion:-***

- No 11. to be removed from the Plan;
- Tennis Courts and Basketball Courts – these may possibly be relocated in the future. Also look at full courts that can be used by community for outdoor basketball (see Boyanup example). Consider proximity to housing due to noise; Consider design to prevent anti-social behaviour.

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### **Watson Reserve – Masterplan**

**Vicki Pretorius – Landscape Design Officer**

- Original Plan has gone to Community Consultation for feedback;
- Currently liaising with the Aboriginal Elders Group;
- Plan will go to Council for final endorsement;
- Parts of the Plan are already being implemented;
- The Plan has also been extended up to the scout hall;
- Consider safety concerns of speed of cyclists travelling along the path. Shared use area signage to be included along the path;
- Query regarding the colour of path – red was a requirement of DBCA. Black asphalt will go red over time;
- The Fenced Dog Exercise Area was a location site under consideration for Watson Reserve previously however following consultation the location has been removed from the site considerations due to the size requirements of the FDEA;
- Seats close to the water need to be looked at and secured due to the erosion occurring;
- Consider supplementary planting particularly near the dog beach near the path to Leake Street and assess the current vegetation;
- DBCA recommended that a barrier (e.g. section of fencing) between the open grassed area and the bush/wetland area be included in the Plan.

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### **Eaton Drive – Intersection Treatments Update**

**Nathan Ryder - Manager Infrastructure Planning and Design**

A handout of proposed treatments was tabled at the meeting identifying the following projects :

1. Forrest Highway – additional right turn lane from Eaton Drive on Forrest Hwy
2. Lavender Way – Left in only
3. Lofthouse Avenue – Traffic Light installation
4. Millard Street – Roundabout at Lofthouse Street
5. Recreation Drive – Traffic Lights synced with Lofthouse Avenue
6. Hamilton Road – 2022-2023 – Traffic Light installation
7. Ann Street – Left out only from Cul de Sac
8. Hands Avenue – Left in and Left out only
9. U Turn provision along Eaton Drive – location to be confirmed.
10. Glenhuon Boulevard – Traffic Light installation
11. Peninsula Lakes Drive – Traffic Light intersection - no timeframe
12. Blue Wren Drive – possible future roundabout subject to traffic modelling
13. Council Drive realigned to connect to Eaton Drive – timing will depend on expansion of Eaton Fair.

This proposal of treatments has been submitted to MRWA and will then go out for Community Consultation. There will be direct consultation with affected residents also.

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### **Fenced Dog Exercise Area – Update**

**Vicki Pretorius – Landscape Design Officer**

Community Consultation undertaken - 3 weeks using Ethelo engagement. Feedback received gave information about what the dog park should ideally looklike and to guide the site selection.

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From the analysis of the consultation people asked for:-

- District level facility to serve all residents and people will drive to the facility or travel there on the pathway network. 4000sqm would be an ideal size;
- Design to be based on Best Practice and on design ideas previously gathered;
- Distance to Toilets – a short walk up to 1km;
- Car parking – about 12 bays close by (50m);
- Connected to existing pathway network (50m);
- Proximity to neighbouring residents – about 75m away;
- Proximity from playgrounds – 25 m;
- Hours of Opening – daylight hours only – no lighting provided;
- Shade trees – considered very important;
- Landscaping – medium shrubs and trees, low level planting;
- Mix of ground surfaces. Sustainable maintenance;
- Irrigation.

The selection criteria was tabled for members

#### ***Where to from here?***

- Shire staff are currently selecting sites which will include three new sites to add to the current foreshore sites;
- There will be a Council workshop to review site locations and concepts;
- Selected concepts will then be referred to Council Meeting for endorsement and then to Community Consultation;
- Affected residents will be consulted;
- There will be a final concept design prepared;
- Report to Council for Final Concept Design.

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## **2020/2021 Budget Delivery – Projects Update**

**Nathan Ryder - Manager Infrastructure Planning and Design**

### ***Waterfront Historic Trail – Aboriginal Heritage signage consultations***

The path is completed and the official opening was held in January by Sally Talbot. Shire staff met with local aboriginal elders to discuss signage. The signage will include creation stories and some early settlement information. Bench seats to be installed also.

### ***Eaton Bowling Club Redevelopment***

BGC has demolished clubrooms and the Bowling Club are operating out of temporary facilities. Bulk earthworks are being undertaken. The ground slab to go in late in March. The anticipated project completion is September 2021. This is a design and construct project by BGC where the design can occur alongside the initial construction stages..

The Car Park at the river is a separate project and a design is currently being prepared. Traffic counts are currently being undertaken. This will be a traffic calming project. The design is close to finalisation and will go out for community consultation.

### ***Eaton Skate Park***

The original concept design was developed in 2019 in consultation with community. Council endorsed 50% detailed design with minor changes to fit in with development of the area. The project will need to go out to tender to include a concrete skate park and pump track with shade structure and drinking fountain for \$1 million. Then there will be future elements when funds become available- lighting, more landscaping etc. There will be upgrades to oval lighting for clubs that will accommodate the skate park in the meantime.

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## ***New Civic Centre***

- The design and construct tender closed today. This will be assessed and presented to Council.
- The current Library has a lease until 2023 so the community will need a new building to accommodate the library.
- The Current administration building is 20 years old and needs upgrading – it is now too small and there is a need for more modern facilities.
- The project provides opportunities for Makers Space, tertiary education and other activities. It will be an Innovation hub.
- Letters of support for this project for Shire would be greatly appreciated as a Building Better Regions Funding application is being submitted.
- There is a Community Forum being held on Thursday 11 February 2021 about the facility and the use of the spaces within the community. There will also be an Official launch of the 2050 workshop.
- We need to provide facilities to attract people to the area. New employment opportunities for the future.
- Consider the regional approach and how the facility will complement the future for the region.

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## **2021/2022 Budget – Major Projects**

### **Nathan Ryder - Manager Infrastructure Planning and Design**

***Eaton Oval Precinct Masterplan*** – A working group was established in 2019 at which time a Master Plan was developed. The Plan is to continue with this project and finalise the Plan to include conversations with all user groups and facilities.

***Eaton Oval Pavilion*** – The Shire is lobbying for the government to assist with funding for new clubrooms. Designs are being considered. Football and Cricket Club members are currently in conversation.

***Glen Huon Boulevard Intersection*** – A design has commenced. This will be constructed next financial year.

***Cycling Plan and shared path along Forrest Highway study*** – grant funding has been successful for \$19,000 to engage a consultant to prepare a bike plan for the whole shire. Public Consultation will occur as a part of this program.

\$22,500 has also been secured for a Feasibility study into a cycleway that would connect Eaton Drive to Vittoria Road on the north side of the highway. This project is a joint initiative with the City of Bunbury. The path will be located well off the highway.

### ***Pathways program***

Some pathways have been brought forward due to government stimulus package funding. There are 3 existing paths proposed for renewal;

1. Peppermint Way – Old Coast Road (Bus Stop, 78m)
2. Charterhouse Street - Eaton Family Centre (Adjacent to carpark & centre entry, 63m)
3. Diadem Street (School carpark – Millard Street, 253m)

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**Meeting was closed at 6:56pm**

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