## Dial Regional Sports Complex Development and Penguin Recreation Ground

## **Project Update**

Thank you to the many residents and stakeholders who have contributed so far to the Dial Regional Sports Complex Development project and the vision for the Penguin Recreation Ground project. The contributions have been warmly appreciated and helped in completing the schematic designs for the sports ovals, pavilion and community hub space at the Dial. Similarly the postcard campaign for the future use of the Penguin Recreation Ground has given light to a number of interesting ideas from the Penguin community.

This Project Update Brochure provides you with some details about the progress of both of these exciting projects as we now look forward to their next stages in 2016. Involving the community and stakeholders in these next steps remains an important priority for the Council particularly as we move into the detailed design phase for the Dial project and continue with more targeted engagement for the Penguin Recreation Ground. You can help us greatly by providing your considered feedback on the Community Attitude Survey that is enclosed with this Brochure. Sharing your views with us will enable the Council and important partners to ensure these significant and exciting projects meet the needs for the communities of Penguin and surrounding region.

Jan Bonde Mayor, Central Coast Council





#### The Dial Regional Sports Complex Development project

The Dial Regional Sports Complex Development project will include the design and construction of:

- Two sports ovals suitable for AFL, cricket and other sporting codes such as soccer and rugby with fencing, lighting and a scoreboard.
- · A new access road and car parking.
- A shared pavilion facility to include function rooms, change rooms, undercover viewing/seating area, meeting spaces, kitchen, office space and kiosk.
- A central community hub of outdoor space for active and recreational use. Active spaces, play area with tracks and trails suitable for all members of the public.

The project will also include master planning for the existing Penguin Recreation Ground to identify a future vision and possible uses once the Penguin Football and Cricket Clubs have been relocated to Dial Regional Sports Complex.

#### Where is the project up to?

Following extensive consultation with key stakeholders, the Central Coast Council approved the final preliminary/concepts designs in October 2015. Details of the schematic designs can be viewed on the Council's website as well as at the Ulverstone Administration Centre and Penguin Service Centre. A 3D visual 'fly through' has been developed to give a realistic depiction of what the facilities are likely to entail and the experience of moving through the site and pavilion. It can be viewed at the static displays at the Council's Administration or Service Centres.

The detailed design phase for the final facility to be constructed will run from January 2016 to May 2016. Consultation with the key stakeholders on the finer points of the design will occur throughout the design phase.

#### Key dates for the next stages of the project:

Schematic Designs on display: December 2015 - March 2016
Detailed Design: December 2016 - May 2016

Building Approvals: May/June 2016
Construction commences: Late 2016

The master planning for Penguin Recreation Ground will run concurrently to the design work for the Dial Regional Sports Complex. Timeframes for implementation of this master plan will be determined once the vision and direction is known.

#### How will it be funded?

The project is estimated to cost in the order of \$10m with funds to come from the Council's budget, the sale of surplus land, loan borrowings and external grants. The surplus land has been identified east of the Dial Regional Sports Complex and will be prepared for sale to help fund the improvements. Funding submissions will be prepared in February and March 2016. Help these submissions by expressing your support for the project by completing the Community Attitude Survey (details overleaf).

# Penguin Recreation Ground Master Planning project

The Council has commenced a visioning process for the Penguin Recreation Ground in order to prepare a master plan for this central and significant site in Penguin. Community participation in this visioning process is vital and the Council is keen to see strong participation by the community.

Preliminary community consultation for the vision for the Penguin Recreation Ground commenced in August 2015 and included community forums and a Postcard campaign to every household in Penguin.



#### What has the community said?

There was strong interest in the Postcard campaign with 161 responses received and over 332 ideas generated. Key themes that emerged from the campaign included the following suggestions:

- Elderly or retirement living accommodation
- · Open space and parkland
- Housing subdivision
- Tourist accommodation
- · Community hub space
- · Aquatic facilities

### What's happening next?

A more in depth engagement process involving a **Community Reference Panel** made up of a cross-section of the Penguin community will commence in early 2016.

The Community Reference Panel will receive detailed social and economic trend information for the Central Coast region as well as the results from the early visioning activity to deliberate on a range of options for the future use of the Penguin Recreation Ground. These options will be characterised in architectural drawings and images.

The wider community will be able to view and understand these different options and provide feedback at a cultural "Fun Day" event midway through 2016. The feedback from the Penguin community and other key stakeholders will guide final deliberations by the Community Reference Panel and Council staff before a draft Master Plan is developed for consideration by the Council later in 2016.

Specific details of the consultation activities will be advertised in The Advocate, on flyers and included on the Council's dedicated webpage for this project. See over page for more details.

#### How can I get involved in these projects?

Feedback will be sought from users of Penguin Recreation Ground and Dial Regional Sports Complex, sporting code governing bodies, adjacent land owners, local business, community representatives and groups, potential users, as well as Penguin and Central Coast residents. Consultation will ensure that all future opportunities for the Dial Regional Sports Complex and Penguin Recreation Ground are considered and that both facilities incorporate the needs for the Central Coast community into the future.

#### Static Displays

Final Schematic Designs (details of ovals, buildings, supporting infrastructure, recreation areas and landscaping) for the Dial Regional Sports Complex Development are now on display at the Penguin Service Centre and at the Ulverstone Administration Centre.

#### Community Attitude Survey

The Council is seeking to understand the level of support and interest in the Dial Regional Sports Complex Development project, in particular the opportunities that are presented by the community hub, pavilion and sports ovals. A detailed Community Attitude Survey has been distributed to all households in Penguin and circulated to key businesses and community groups in the wider Central Coast region.

Community Attitude Survey will also be available at the static displays and a number of locations throughout Penguin, as well as on the Council's website.

#### **Fact Sheets**

A number of Fact Sheets have been developed to inform the community about different aspects of what is a complex and technical project. Aside from this Project Update Brochure, a Fact Sheet on Frequently Asked Questions has also been developed. Hard copy versions will be available at the static displays and at different locations around Penguin.

#### Web Page

A dedicated web page for the project has been created on the Council's website;

#### www.centralcoast.tas.gov.au

Look for "Dial Regional Sports Complex Development" in the Fast Find list on the Home page.

#### Project Email

If you have a query or information to submit to the Project Team you can direct these through the project email;

dialsportscomplex@centralcoast.tas.gov.au

#### E-Contact Register

If you are interested in being kept informed about the Dial Regional Sports Complex Development Project email us on dialsportscomplex@centralcoast.tas.gov.au and we will keep you on the Contact Database. This means that you will receive any future communication as the project progresses. Your contact details will not be used for any other purpose.

All stakeholders will be notified of their opportunities to share their views through local media, flyers and postcards, the Council's dedicated web page or direct mail.

#### Have questions or need more information?

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