



District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula

Working with our Rural and Coastal Communities

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION – 15 FEBRUARY 2010 FINANCE

F22 FINANCE REPORT

FN/03/19 EYES ON EYRE

Updated draft concept drawings from consultants, Birdseye Studio, were received on Monday. Staff have had limited time to review the sketches but have noted some issues which will need to be considered as the designs are finalised. Further consideration of the designs needs to be undertaken to enable a more detailed recommendation to be provided by staff to allow Council to consider its position in relation to development at both sites.

The concept drawings as received have been provided for the information of elected members.

(REFER FOLIO FN19.02.03)

Public consultation has been arranged by Regional Development Australia Whyalla & Eyre Peninsula in relation to both camp sites to occur on February 20 at the Nautilus Theatre and at the Marble Range Football Clubrooms.

The issues staff have identified that will need further consideration are: -

Fishery Bay

- The extent of the dispersal of campsites over 270m extending from the existing public conveniences to Whaling Station Rd, bringing into question the need for an additional public convenience.
- The likelihood of increased sand drift arising from a widening of the access to the beach.
- The need for increased water storage at the site and the possibility of a solar pump bore (if suitable groundwater is present). The alternative is increased water transport via the current tank replenishment arrangement that coincides with the rubbish bin run and check on the current toilets. This would require either more frequent visitation or the use a larger transport water tank.
- Council would need to consider the increased public convenience cleaning costs, and costs associated with the provision of clean water.

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Farm Beach

- The reduced number of camp ground sites as compared to the current lay-out.
- The impact of the soakage trench at the existing tractor site over which new camp sites are proposed.
- The impact of dust from the unsealed portion of Farm Beach Road on new camping at the existing tractor site.
- The impact by high/king tides at the proposed tractor parking area and on lower lying areas.
- Access to the proposed location of the tractor park with additional traffic driving past campers with associated noise and vehicle dust.
- The inclusion of a second public convenience and associated operational costs.
- The provision of quality water has been an issue at Farm Beach and needs to be considered as part of any solution.
- The vision of a board walk from the camp ground through to the beach, as providing an additional public convenience at the car park area would likely limit the use of the board walk from the perspective of day trippers.

It is suggested that Council again inspect the Farm Beach Camp Ground during its visit to the area on 1st March to consider the discussion points listed above.

In fairness to RDAWEP It would be reasonable that at the March Council meeting, following the first round of public consultation and a Council site visit, that Council will provide its vision as to how the Farm Beach Camp Ground will be developed as part of the Eyre on Eyre project.

RECOMMENDATION

“That Council advises Regional Development Australia Whyalla & Eyre Peninsula (RDAWEP) as follows in relation to the enhancement of the Farm Beach Camp Ground and development of the proposed Fishery Bay Camp Ground: -

- ***Council compliments RDAWEP on its vision to improve signage and develop camping nodes across Eyre Peninsula, noting the potential from this work to add to the visitor experience across the region;***
- ***Council has viewed the latest concept plans as prepared by Birdseye Studios for the two camp grounds, and notes the issues that have been relayed back to RDAWEP in this regard;***

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- *Council will further consider the concept plans at its March Council meeting following a further Council inspection of the Farm Beach area on 1st March, and with consideration of the views expressed at the public consultations sessions arranged by RDAWEP to be held on Wednesday 20th February at the Nautilus Theatre and the Marble Range Football Clubrooms.*
- *Council notes that the development of the concept plans is a fore-runner to the development of a business case justifying investment in the camp grounds by various levels of government; and*
- *Council requests that the business case, or advice in relation to both external and Council funding of the camp grounds be provided in a manner to coincide with the development of future Council budgets.*