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Yorke Peninsula Council

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the next ordinary meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday 9th November 2016, in the Council Chambers, 57 Main Street, Minlaton commencing at 5.30pm

van

Andrew Cameron
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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AGENDA

ITEM 1 YORKE PENINSULA COUNCIL

- 1.1 Welcome by Mayor meeting declared opened
- 1.2 Opening Prayer
- 1.3 Present
- 1.4 <u>Leave of absence</u>
- 1.5 Apologies

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

IA/ITEM 4.3

1. STRONGER COMMUNITIES GRANT FUNDING SUCCESS

PURPOSE

To inform Elected Members of a recent successful grant submission under the Stronger Communities Federal Grants Programme.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal:

4 Community Engaged and Supported

Strategy:

4.1 Invest in youth activities and events

4.7 Foster productive working relationship with Progress

Associations

Goal:

5 Responsible Governance

Strategies:

5.2 Effective leadership and informed decision making

5.4 Seek alternate income streams and ensure financial sustainability 5.10 Celebrate, communicate and promote Council's achievements

BACKGROUND

Elected Members would be aware that staff continue to research and seek funding opportunities to increase Council's ability to support and work with local communities to provide projects and facilities that improve and enhance community well-being, build capacity and provide connections and collaboration.

DISCUSSION

Utilising the existing Youth Activities programme as the springboard, the Governance Officer has researched and successfully sourced funding under the Stronger Communities Federal Grants programme for a project entitled Active Ardrossan and Energised Edithburgh outdoor gym and nature play space.

The anticipated project cost is \$44,000 (GST inclusive) with Council receiving a 50% contribution through the funding programme. Other in-kind support will be provided by Country Health SA, Ardrossan and Edithburgh Progress Associations, with Council contributing the remaining 50% from within the Youth Services budget.

The project description outline is to provide outdoor gym equipment and nature play spaces for Ardrossan and Edithburgh townships. The Progress Associations and members of both the Ardrossan and Edithburgh communities have identified that outdoor gym equipment and landscaping on their foreshore areas would be of significant benefit to the communities.

Local schools will be involved with the design and development of the space and landscaping of the area which will include areas of nature play for young people.

Natural spaces offer the best opportunities for children to play freely outdoors. Nature play has flow on benefits in health, cognitive, social and emotional development and in the building of resilience and creativity.

The project outcomes identified within the application are as follows:

- Development of an outdoor gym equipment and nature play spaces at Ardrossan and Edithburgh.
- Young people from the local schools working together with the Ardrossan Progress
 Association, Edithburgh Progress Association and Yorke Peninsula Council in the design
 and landscaping of the gym and nature play space. This will provide young people and
 adults within the communities an opportunity to mentor and learn from each other, have
 ownership for the community asset that they are developing and contribute to community
 vibrancy and viability.
- There are no gym facilities in Ardrossan or Edithburgh and the outdoor free gym
 equipment will allow members of the community to utilize the equipment to improve their
 health and to participate, particularly the disadvantaged. This fits with the Yorke
 Peninsula's commitment in the Yorke Peninsula Alliance Regional Public Health Plan
 2014-2020 priority area of "increasing opportunities for healthy living, heathy eating and
 being active".
- There will be opportunities for local sporting clubs and community groups to utilize the gym equipment as groups to increase social interactions in an active way.

This project is another way to showcase to the community, how a collaborative, partnership approach can achieve the goals and aspirations of the Council and community providing positive outcomes for all involved. We look forward to seeing this project come to fruition and providing a long term sustainable outdoor gym and space, in these communities, contributing to increased well-being. The Governance Officer is to be commended on her initiative and the pro-active way she is building relationships with community partners to achieve great outcomes.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PLAN

Level 1 - Inform

Information will be made publicly available via Council's website.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

In preparing this report, the following Yorke Peninsula Council officers were consulted:

- Chief Executive officer
- Governance Officer

In preparing this report, the following External Parties were consulted:

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The anticipated total project cost is \$44,000 (GST inclusive) with financial and in-kind support being provided from both Ardrossan and Edithburgh Progress Associations, Country Health SA, Council and the provision of grant funding, the Council's contribution has been included in the Youth Activities budget.

RISK/LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Act 1999

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

School student Josh Absalom, Edithburgh Progress Association president John Edwards and personal trainer Brenton Burt

Plans for outdoor gym

From: Sent: To: Subject:	Diana Sweeney <kevana.ds@gmail.com> Monday, 1 May 2017 12:08 PM Mary Herrmann; Steve Mcneair (steve.100line@gmail.com) Fwd: RE: Edithburgh outdoor gym</kevana.ds@gmail.com>
Categories:	Save
Hi Mary and Steve	
Could you both please read the outdoor equipment.	attached emails by the residents directly across from the site of Edithburgh's
We will need to address these c	oncerns asap.
Thanks Diana Forwarded message From: "BM & J Mill" <abjlmill "diana="" 1="" 11:20="" 2017="" <a="" am="" date:="" edithburgh="" href="kevana." may="" outdoo="" re:="" subject:="" sweeney"="" to:="">kevana. Cc:</abjlmill>	@gmail.com> or gym
Thanks for your reply. This new in	nformation has however prompted more questions.
1.Can you please advise the cons	ultation process used?
2.Please advise the timeline.	
3.What exactly is a "set of equipal along the track, like Point Turton	ment"? We were under the impression that there were individual stations set up
4.Please advise the size and heig	ht of the equipment and the actual footprint (i.e. how many square metres)?
5. Please advise the materials be	ing used.
Your reply says that the area is " minutes it states "between the b	to the left of the shelter". Obviously this has come as quite a shock to us as in your like track and the shelter". 1

So this is now of immediate concern to us as it is directly in front of our residence and will have implications for our property's value. This is also in the <u>direct straight line</u> of our view.

The gap between the road and path is quite narrow in front of our place. Other sections of the foreshore area have a far greater distance to the cliff from the road and other residences are set quite back or more elevated. We are quite close and privacy is an issue. As you can see we have just completed our fence design and had it specifically measured as to allow no obstruction of our view.

Our house is low, only has flat, forward facing windows and we have no deck or balcony as others do, (to enable us to see over the equipment).

This really is quite shattering news for us and we are distraught and feel targeted. We will be the only residents to have this impingement. Please do not underestimate our grief.

Please know that we think the idea of an outdoor gym is wonderful and we look forward to working with you, not against you, to reach a compromise prior to council approval.

Jillian and Andrew Mill

From: Diana Sweeney [mailto:kevana.ds@gmail.com]

Sent: Friday, 28 April, 2017 8:53 AM

To: BM & J Mill

Subject: Re: Edithburgh outdoor gym

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Thank you also for your comments on the work that we do for the community. Our Progress association is a very active one with enthusiastic people on the committee. We also welcome all thoughts from the residents on our activities.

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I will also read this correspondence out at the next Progress meeting.

Thank you again for your interest.

With kind regards

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Mary Herrmann Diana Sweeney <kevana.ds@gmail.com> From: Sent: Tuesday, 9 May 2017 2:48 PM To: Mary Herrmann Subject: RE: Objection to the outdoor gym I don't believe so no. On 9 May 2017 2:44 pm, "Mary Herrmann" < Mary. Herrmann@yorke.sa.gov.au > wrote: actually Vanderveer Hi Diana, Sorry, I am very behind in emails at the moment. I have also had a conversation with Julie O'Halloran. I do need to know though if there has been any contact (aside from the complaints) with the affected residents though? I think Jo was going to touch base with the key ones but not sure if she had the chance as yet? I will get on to it as soon as possible. Kind Regards, Mary. From: Diana Sweeney [mailto:kevana.ds@gmail.com] Sent: Tuesday, 9 May 2017 2:41 PM To: Mary Herrmann < Mary. Herrmann@yorke.sa.gov.au >; Steve Mcneair (steve. 100 line@gmail.com) <steve.100line@gmail.com> Subject: Objection to the outdoor gym

I forwarded to you both some emails I had received from Mr and Mrs Mills at Edithburgh regarding their concerns regarding the outdoor gym equipment.

Have you had a chance to read that email? We are having a meeting tonight and I'd like to be able to table your responses to the email.

Cheers Diana

From: Diana Sweeney [mailto:kevana.ds@gmail.com]

Sent: Friday, 12 May, 2017 8:59 AM

To: BM & J Mill

Subject: Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Equipment

Good morning Mr & Mrs Mills

Edithburgh Progress discussed your concerns at our meeting on Tuesday evening and feel that, given the Council is coordinating the Development Approval and public consultation process, it would be best for you, if you have further concerns, to please contact the Council directly - admin@yorke.sa.gov.au

Thank you for contacting us and please be aware that we have requested Council re-look at the location of the equipment.

With kind regards

Diana Sweeney

Please respond as a matter of priority, via return email, as this was brought to council's attention April28th.

Jillian and Andrew Mill

17/39292

Mary Herrmann

From:

BM & J Mill <abj|mill@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, 29 May 2017 2:07 PM

To:

Corporate Email Address; Mayor Ray Agnew

Subject:

development Edithburgh

Attachments:

EPAyptimes.jpg

Hello,

We would like to bring this matter to your attention.

Further to our phone call to your office, please forward to Mick Cartwright. Manager: Development Services Please find below the original correspondence that Allan Cotton requested from us, after our initial phone call on 28/4/17. He stated to us that he would get back to us, but to no avail. We have been extremely disappointed to have NOT received ANY correspondence from ANYONE ELSE re information on this issue. As it is now into the fifth week we are expecting an immediate response.

As explained to Allan, we were first made aware of this issue from the attached Country Times article. We have had much correspondence with the Edithburgh Progress Association, the very latest being the outcome from their last meeting, where our concerns were raised. HOWEVER I see no mention of it either in your council's meeting minutes OR agenda items, even though it is obviously an ongoing project and there is a committee involved. Further to this, our specific issue was raised in April and we believe 4 weeks is ample time to collect information, prioritise and reply to us, even if on leave from the office. The fact that this pressing issue has been left unattended is of great stress to us. Please rectify.

This was our original email...
Hi Allan,

Please find attached YP Times article and email correspondence from the Edithburgh Progress Association.

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B. Please note that there have been many emails in-between, with discussion on this issue, but this is the latest

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Response to 17/39292_

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From:

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Sent:

Wednesday, 31 May 2017 9:35 AM

To:

'abilmill@gmail.com'

Cc:

Point Turton Progress Association

Subject:

HPRM: Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space

Record Number:

17/39720

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Thanks for your patience, Kind Regards, Mary.

Thank you for taking the time to contact me and provide feedback. I welcome and look forward to hearing your thoughts.

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From: BM & J Mill <abjlmill@gmail.com> Sent: Sunday, 9 July 2017 12:24 AM To:

Mary Herrmann

Subject: RE: Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space

Categories: Save

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From:

Mary Herrmann

Sent:

Friday, 14 July 2017 9:56 AM

To:

BM & J Mill

Subject:

HPRM: Re: Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space

Record Number:

17/75132

Thanks for your email.

From my last discussions with Progress, they were going to talk over the location in consideration of different opinions and let me know thief collective thoughts then we were going to determine the method of consultation. I haven't heard back yet but I promise that I will let you know when I know. I'm on leave until the 24th July but I will catch up with the minutes and follow up with Progress when I get back. I will let you know as soon as I know.

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Sent from my iPhone

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YORKE PENINSULA COUNCIL

18 September 2017

PRINCIPAL OFFICE: 8 Elizabeth Street, Maitland Telephone (a8) 8832 0000 ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: PO Box 57, MAITLAND, SA 5573

> Fax (08)88532494 Email: admin@yorke.sa.gov.au Website: www.yorke.sa.gov.au



Dear Ratepayer,

Energised Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space

In partnership, the Yorke Peninsula Council ("Council"), the Edithburgh Progress Association ("Progress"), and the Yorketown Area School ("the School") were successful in securing funding under the Sustainable Communities Programme to create an outdoor gym space in Edithburgh.

The Stronger Communities Programme supports the Australian Government's commitment to deliver social benefits across Australia by funding small capital projects and input from the community is a key element.

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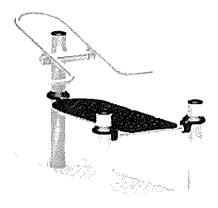
The Project Team have also identified the preferred location as the grassed area in front of the existing gazebo, located on O'Halloran Parade, adjacent to Cross Street, as shown in Attachment 3. Now, we would like your feedback as to the proposed location. By selecting either Option 1 – O'Halloran Parade, Edithburgh, adjacent to Cross Street or Option 2, where an alternative location can be nominated, and returning the slip at the bottom of this letter by Wednesday, 11 October 2017, you can have your say about where you would like to see the equipment located. Responses can be returned via email to mary.herrmann@yorke.sa.gov.au, to any Council office or via mail to PO Box 57, Maitland SA 5573.

For further information, please contact Mary Herrmann at the Yorke Peninsula Council on 8832 0000 or via the above email address.

Your participation will be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely
Mary Herrmann
GOVERNANCE OFFICER

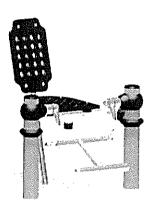
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Have your say!		
Where do you prefer the Edithbur	gh Outdoor Gym to be located?	
☐ Option 1 - O'Halloran Parade	, Edithburgh, adjacent to Cross Street	
□ Option 2 – Alternative Locatio	n	
Please return by Wednesday, 1	1 October 2017	



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Develops pectorals, deltoids and triceps.

Lay on the bench with head under the bar, hold onto the bar. Push the bar upwards using your arms then lower to the starting position.

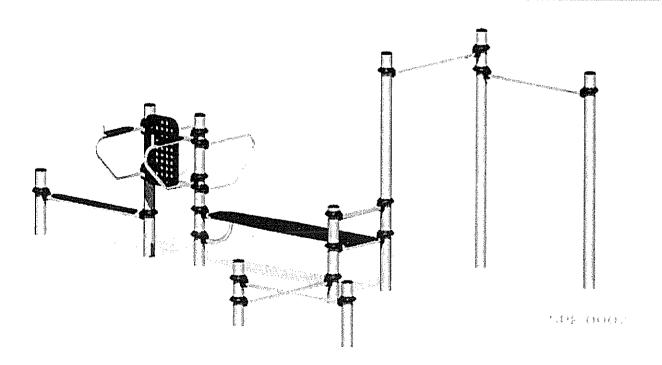


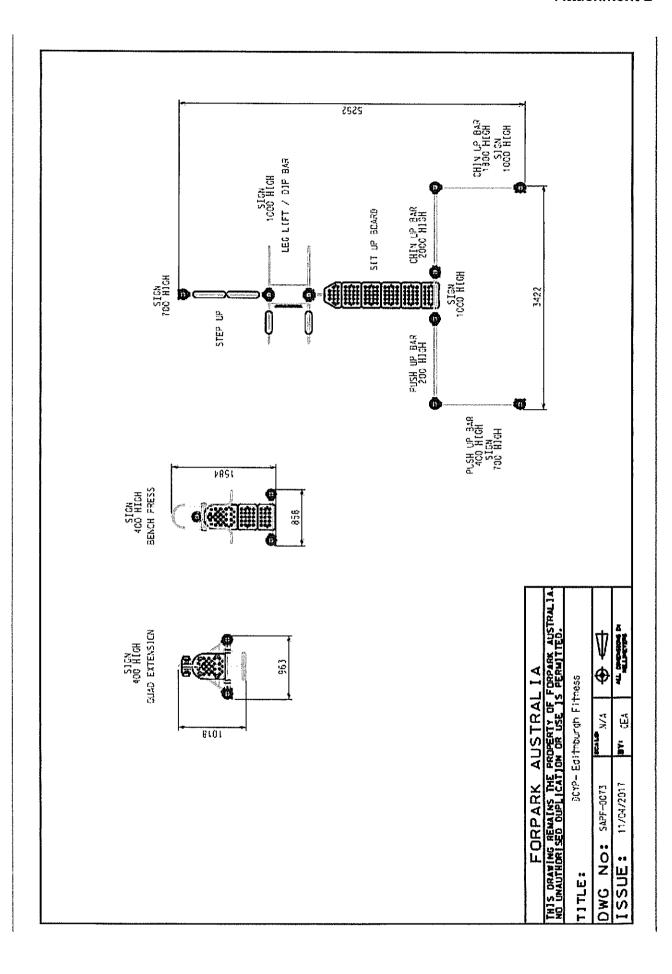
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Develops quadriceps.

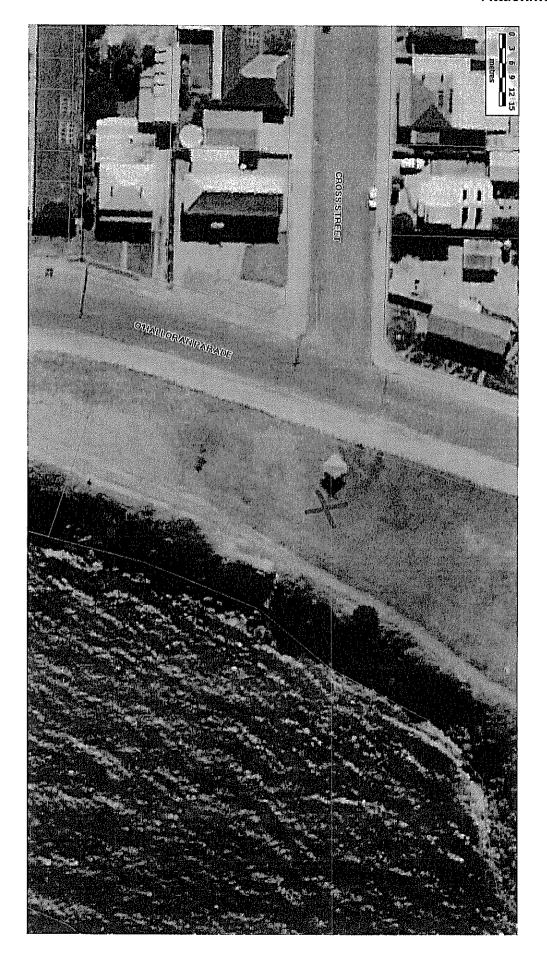
In a seated position, place knees over the top bar and with ankles under the lower front bar. Move lower legs forward and upward until knees are straight. Return to original position.

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Attachment 3



From: Mary Herrmann

Sent: Tuesday, 19 September 2017 2:23 PM

To: abjlmill@gmail.com

Subject: Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space

Attachments: Consultation - Letter to Edithburgh Ratepayers.pdf

Categories: Save

Dear Jillian and Andrew,

I am writing to provide you with an update regarding the outdoor gym space in Edithburgh.

Council have decided to consult with all of the ratepayers within the Edithburgh township to seek feedback on the location of the gym. Please find attached a copy of the letter for your information and you will receive an original in the mail.

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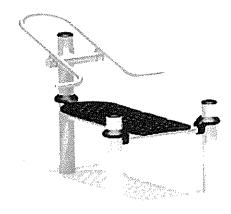
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Yours sincerely Mary Herrmann **GOVERNANCE OFFICER**

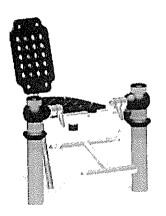
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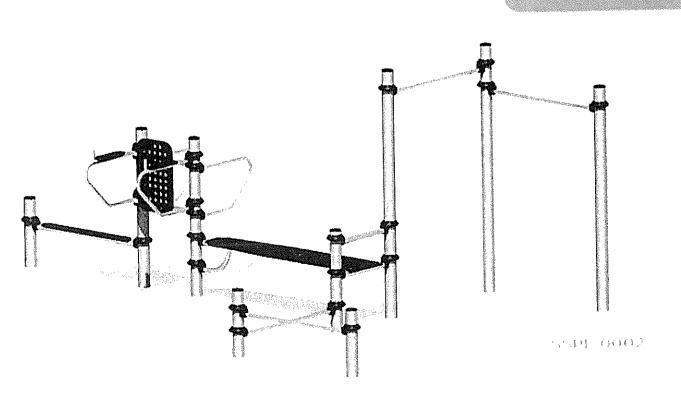


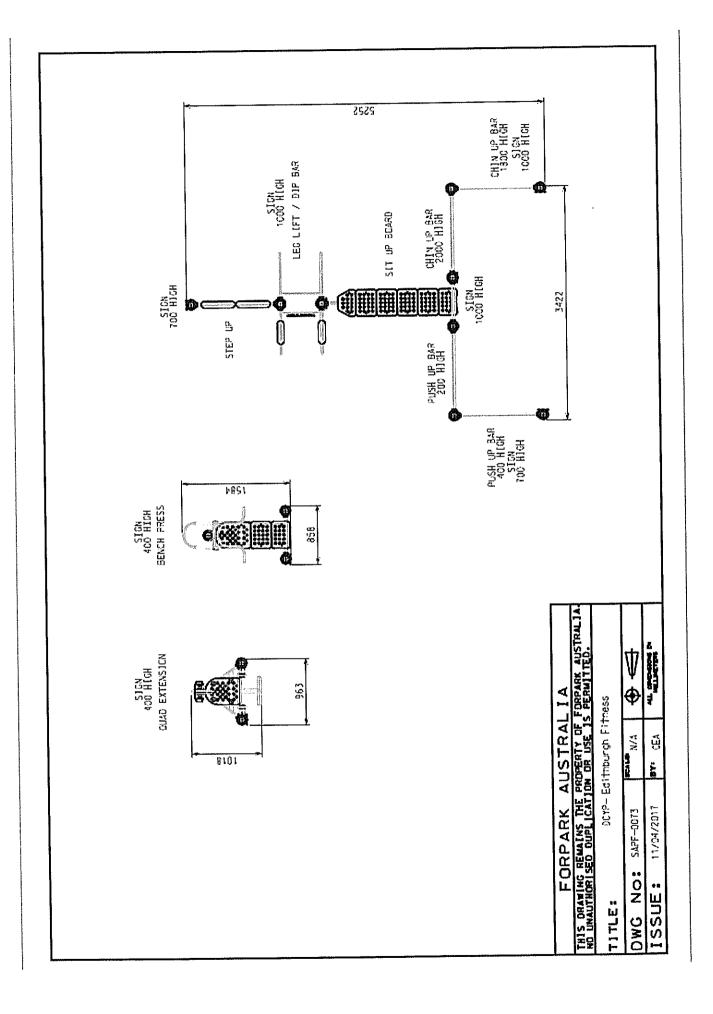
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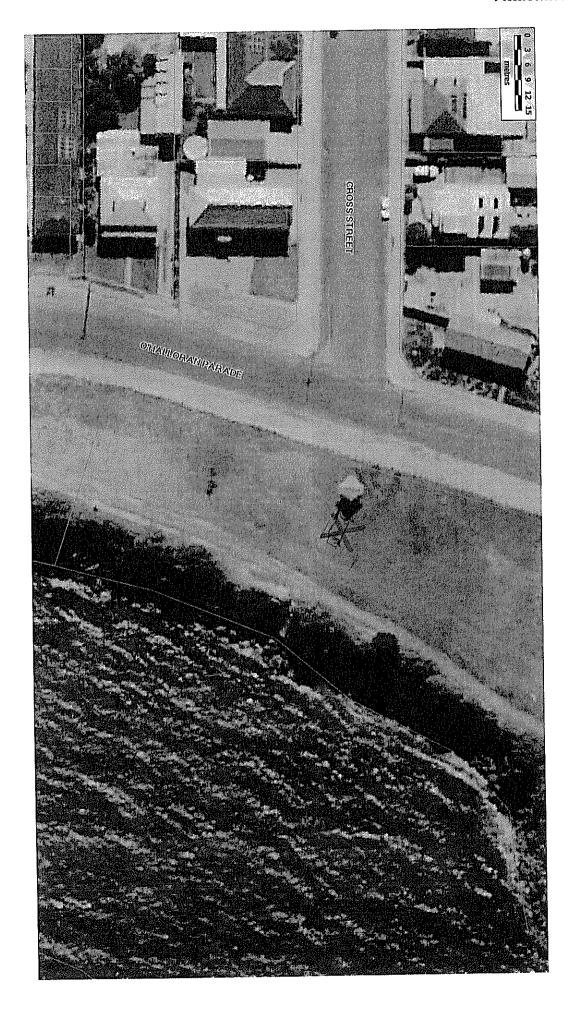
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Friday, 20 October 2017 10:46 AM Sent:

Mary Herrmann To:

HPRM: RE: Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space Subject:

17/75121 **Record Number:**

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Upon further advice and investigation we have been advised to ask the following:

The regulations that we are referring to our those of your own.

We are still questioning if this has been compliant with council policy, including but not limited to the Community Engagement Policy, PO057.

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Level 1 consultation is defined as "we will keep you informed".

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please provide us with:

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When there was a letterbox drop.

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please provide us with:

details of when the public notice was put in The Country Times.

When there was a letterbox drop.

AND particularly WHEN the "letter of advice to affected properties "was mailed.

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In reference to the votes being collated and presented at the next meeting... How will all the councillors hear about these issues to ensure a fully rounded conversation before they cast their vote?

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This whole process has not been handled well and we implore you to see things from many perspectives and think about your actions and policies, particularly in regards to the foreshore and the Edithburgh community.

Andrew and Jillian Mill

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Sent: Tuesday, 17 October, 2017 1:02 PM

To: <u>abjlmill@gmail.com</u> **Cc:** Mayor Ray Agnew

Subject: RE: Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space

Dear Jillian and Andrew,
I have responded to each of your questions below.

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Thanks Mary.

In light of the recently received letter, we have been advised to seek answers to the following questions. Have council met their obligations? I.e. satisfied the requirements prescribed by the regulations.

I am not sure which regulations you mean however I am not aware that any regulations have been breached. I will be happy to provide you with a more specific answer in relation to specific regulations as required.

Communication is the key and we have had a hard time finding out information.

I am sorry to hear that you feel that way; I believe that I have provided you with everything that you have asked of me and also invited you to contact me if anything further was required.

In the letter there is mention of "the project team". We are wondering who is on this team? (Reps from EPA and YP Council)?

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Indeed there is no project listed, no communication plan, list of stakeholders affected, detailed consultation process AND implications to be found on the council website.

Where can the community access information?

The method of engagement was determined by Council staff in accordance with <u>Council's Community Engagement</u> Policy PO057.

Of immediate concern is the process that you are following. This voting slip has prompted many questions and we have been advised to reply by asking you to provide further detailed information in regards to the process being implemented as well as the process once the voting period has ended.

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As above, via public Council agenda/minutes.

The current total number of rate payers that were contacted eligible to vote.

All ratepayers within the Edithburgh township (as per the information Council holds for rate notices).

The number of voting slips needed to be returned to deem the vote valid.

There was no set figure in this regard; typically a return rate of ten percent can be anticipated for this type of survey and this has been well exceeded.

The percentage of votes returned that will be deemed a fair and valid vote.

All completed, returned slips.

The number of votes either as a percentage of total rate payers or percentage of total voting slips received (or outright number of votes) needed to proceed with a decision.

The number of voting slips sent out, the number of responses, the nominated locations and the number of votes will all be provided in the public report.

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The Project Team discussed a number of locations and simply felt that this was the best option. Council staff decided to leave Option 2 open so as not to restrict new community ideas/opinions.

Originally we had submitted three (oval, pool, playground). Have they been ruled out?

No.

Please provide details regarding the process you will use to deal with the "option two" ideas.

We have indeed been asked to find out if the option 2 ideas will then be listed and be presented equitably and without bias to the community for their voting?

Will they be listed as alternate locations and therefore address the issue of keeping the rate payers informed having other options in front of them to consider equally in an informed vote thus alleviating the weighting of the current ballot?

Will there be a public meeting for this public space? We have been advised that it is procedure.

The alternate locations will be clearly listed and presented equally for the Elected Members to consider. No other public meeting will be held and Community Engagement Policy PO057 does not require that there is.

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The Elected Members will be asked to consider selection of the location.

Once again we are asking for the footprint size of the equipment when installed. We originally asked this question in an email dated May 1st, with no response. On your map it is the size of a small cross. <u>Please provide actual</u> dimensions of ground footprint.

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When is the next meeting of the project team?

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We would appreciate you treat the responses to these questions as a priority.

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Sent: Tuesday, 19 September, 2017 2:23 PM

To: abjlmill@gmail.com

Subject: Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space

Dear Jillian and Andrew,

I am writing to provide you with an update regarding the outdoor gym space in Edithburgh.

Council have decided to consult with all of the ratepayers within the Edithburgh township to seek feedback on the location of the gym. Please find attached a copy of the letter for your information and you will receive an original in the mail.

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Sunday, 29 October 2017 9:32 AM Sent:

Mary Herrmann To:

RE: Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space Subject:

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The preferred location determined by the Project Team was relevant to the consultation process.

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Council staff determined the level of consultation.

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PLEASE do not underestimate the personal stress and indeed the monetary costs this has placed upon us. Also the disruption and delays in our future planning have taken their toll.

What is the "public report" that you refer to? When/where/how will this be relayed?

Can you please advise the time, date and location of the public council meeting? Is it on Wednesday November 8th Is it 530pm at Minlaton still?

A couple of points we are still not sure on:

In reference to the votes being collated and presented at the next meeting... How will all the councillors hear about these issues to ensure a fully rounded conversation before they cast their vote?

How and when is all our information being shared with the council? Obviously we did not have enough room on the voting slip to raise all our ideas and concerns. Have our previous emails being presented to council? Where is our voice being heard and how? Will this letter then be presented and discussed? OR emailed prior to councillors? It mentions in the Appendix 1 community engagement that written submissions can be received by council within 21 days. How is this to be when it was posted on your website (last November, yet we only knew about it when an article and photo appeared in The Country Times in April this year)!

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- (1) Before a council adopts a management plan for community land it must -
 - (a) Make copies of the proposed plan available for inspection or purchase at the council's principal office; and
 - (b) follow the relevant steps set out in its public consultation policy."

When we look at that that policy we cannot follow where that has been done.

This whole process has not been handled well and we implore you to see things from many perspectives and think about your actions and policies, particularly in regards to the foreshore and the Edithburgh community.

Andrew and Jillian Mill

From: Mary Herrmann [mailto:Mary.Herrmann@yorke.sa.gov.au]

Sent: Tuesday, 17 October, 2017 1:02 PM

To: abjlmill@gmail.com
Cc: Mayor Ray Agnew

Subject: RE: Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space

Dear Jillian and Andrew.

I have responded to each of your questions below.

Kind Regards,

Mary.

From: BM & J Mill [mailto:abjlmill@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, 9 October 2017 11:09 AM

To: Mary Herrmann < Mary. Herrmann@yorke.sa.gov.au >

Subject: RE: Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space

Thanks Mary.

In light of the recently received letter, we have been advised to seek answers to the following questions. Have council met their obligations? I.e. satisfied the requirements prescribed by the regulations.

I am not sure which regulations you mean however I am not aware that any regulations have been breached. I will be happy to provide you with a more specific answer in relation to specific regulations as required.

Communication is the key and we have had a hard time finding out information.

I am sorry to hear that you feel that way; I believe that I have provided you with everything that you have asked of me and also invited you to contact me if anything further was required.

In the letter there is mention of "the project team". We are wondering who is on this team? (Reps from EPA and YP Council)?

I did confirm to you in my email of 31 May this year, that the project team was made up of students from Yorketown Area School, the Edithburgh Progress Association and YP Council representatives. This was also described in the letter to the ratepayers (as described in the first to fourth paragraphs). The Project is auspices by the Yorke Peninsula Council and the Project Team is not a formally established group, rather an informal group of representatives of the partners to the funding.

Where are the references to this project team meeting and recorded decision making? We have looked extensively through progress and council agendas and minutes and cannot find any reference to this team.

The Project Team are an informal working party, not formally established by Council. The Project was valued at \$20,000 and there was no requirement to establish a formal committee to manage it. An <u>information agenda report</u> about the Project was presented to Council on 9 November 2016 (pages 12-14) is available on Council's website (I will be happy to send you a copy if required). It's my understanding that Progress have also tabled the Project from time to time at their meetings and Diana Sweeney should be able to help you out there. The names of the students would not usually be published without first obtaining parental consent as they are all under the age of eighteen years.

Indeed there is no project listed, no communication plan, list of stakeholders affected, detailed consultation process AND implications to be found on the council website.

Where can the community access information?

The method of engagement was determined by Council staff in accordance with <u>Council's Community Engagement Policy PO057</u>.

Of immediate concern is the process that you are following. This voting slip has prompted many questions and we have been advised to reply by asking you to provide further detailed information in regards to the process being implemented as well as the process once the voting period has ended.

Council staff are individually entering all the voting results, along with the comments received, into a spreadsheet. Once all of the feedback has been captured into the spreadsheet, it will be provided to the Council for consideration of all of the proposed locations during a public Council meeting. Council will ultimately make the decision as to the location. You may also make a verbal presentation to Council if you would like the opportunity to do so. We normally allow 5-10 minutes to address the Council. Please advise me if you would like to do this and if so, if you agree to your details being included in a public agenda.

In providing the details of the steps used to determine the outcome please also clearly indicate: How will the results be published and publicised?

As above, via public Council agenda/minutes.

The current total number of rate payers that were contacted eligible to vote.

All ratepayers within the Edithburgh township (as per the information Council holds for rate notices).

The number of voting slips needed to be returned to deem the vote valid.

There was no set figure in this regard; typically a return rate of ten percent can be anticipated for this type of survey and this has been well exceeded.

The percentage of votes returned that will be deemed a fair and valid vote.

All completed, returned slips.

The number of votes either as a percentage of total rate payers or percentage of total voting slips received (or outright number of votes) needed to proceed with a decision.

The number of voting slips sent out, the number of responses, the nominated locations and the number of votes will all be provided in the public report.

Also we are requiring a <u>list of any reasons</u> as to why "The project team have also identified the preferred location as the grassed area in front of the existing gazebo, located on O'Halloran Parade, adjacent to Cross Street". No information in regards to how this was arrived at are provided in this letter. Why was not the same type of location but adjacent to THOMAS street not considered? We cannot find any reasons as to why this location is recommended in our search of all minutes. <u>Please provide the reasons as to why this sole location was the only option spruiked in your voting letter.</u>

Also we are asking if you know why the other alternatives for the locations were NOT included on the ballot to ensure ALL options got an equal chance?

The Project Team discussed a number of locations and simply felt that this was the best option. Council staff decided to leave Option 2 open so as not to restrict new community ideas/opinions.

Originally we had submitted three (oval, pool, playground). Have they been ruled out?

No.

<u>Please provide details regarding the process you will use to deal with the "option two" ideas.</u>
We have indeed been asked to find out if the option 2 ideas will then be listed and be presented equitably and without bias to the community for their voting?

Will they be listed as alternate locations and therefore address the issue of keeping the rate payers informed having other options in front of them to consider equally in an informed vote thus alleviating the weighting of the current ballot?

Will there be a public meeting for this public space? We have been advised that it is procedure.

The alternate locations will be clearly listed and presented equally for the Elected Members to consider. No other public meeting will be held and Council's Community Engagement Policy PO057 does not require that there is.

What are the processes in place for the next round of alternate location choices.

The Elected Members will be asked to consider selection of the location.

Once again we are asking for the footprint size of the equipment when installed. We originally asked this question in an email dated May 1st, with no response. On your map it is the size of a small cross. <u>Please provide actual</u> dimensions of ground footprint.

Since apologies for my misunderstand that you required the actual dimensions. Please find attached a diagram showing the dimensions along with a brochure showing pictures of the equipment. I will be happy to clarify further as you require.

We have heard that part of the submission actually required the equipment to be placed along the foreshore. Is this correct and what else do we need to know?

No, that's not correct.

We have found in the EPA minutes Feb 14th, "J. Forbes to confirm whether equipment has to be on foreshore." Once again we have been unable to find any response to this question in any minutes.

We would think that you would all be aware that Edithburgh's open seafront area is such a precious resource for the town and that you would sincerely regard that as a sacred asset, and therefore not start the process of the downward spiral of cluttering these spaces.

When is the next meeting of the project team?

The Project Team have achieved its objectives and are not scheduled to meet again.

We would appreciate you treat the responses to these questions as a priority.

Jillian and Andrew Mill

From: Mary Herrmann [mailto:Mary.Herrmann@yorke.sa.gov.au]

Sent: Tuesday, 19 September, 2017 2:23 PM

To: abjlmill@gmail.com

Subject: Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space

Dear Jillian and Andrew,

I am writing to provide you with an update regarding the outdoor gym space in Edithburgh.

Council have decided to consult with all of the ratepayers within the Edithburgh township to seek feedback on the location of the gym. Please find attached a copy of the letter for your information and you will receive an original in

Kind Regards. Mary.

Mary Herrmann I Governance Officer Yorke Peninsula Council I Principal Office - Maitland

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From: BM & J Mill <abjlmill@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, 9 November 2017 7:27 PM

To: Mary Herrmann

Subject: HPRM: RE: Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space

Record Number: 17/82334

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From: Mary Herrmann [mailto:Mary.Herrmann@yorke.sa.gov.au]

Sent: Thursday, 2 November, 2017 12:09 PM

To: BM & J Mill

Subject: Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space

Dear Jillian and Andrew,

Please find below, in green, the further responses that you have asked me provide.

Andrew Cameron is reviewing all of the information to hand and will provide a response to the further matters contained within your complaint as soon as possible.

From: Mary Herrmann

Sent: Thursday, 26 October 2017 9:57 AM

To: 'BM & J Mill' abjlmill@gmail.com

Subject: RE: Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space

Dear Jillian and Andrew,

Just a quick email to let you know that the report to Council will be put on hold until the CEO, Andrew Cameron, has considered and provided a response to your complaint. I am working on another urgent matter at the moment but do want to let you know that I will respond to the rest of your questions shortly and provide you with detailed results of the feedback from the consultation process (it certainly was not a "clean sweep" for option 1).

In the meantime, I have attached Council's Complaints Policy for your reference as this is the policy under which complaints are managed. The policy requires that an initial response is provided to the person(s) who have made the complaint within ten working days.

Kind Regards,

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From:

BM & J Mill <abj|mill@gmail.com>

Sent:

Thursday, 9 November 2017 7:34 PM

To:

Andrew Cameron

Subject:

Edithburgh outdoor gymnasium complaint

Dear Andrew,

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This is separate from our complaint re council not following their own processes/policies.

Andrew and Jillian Mill

From: Mary Herrmann

Sent: Wednesday, 15 November 2017 11:20 AM

To: 'BM & J Mill'

Subject: HPRM: RE: HPRM: RE: Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space

Record Number: 17/82347

Dear Andrew and Jillian,

Thanks for letting me know. I confirm that you will have up to ten minutes, including questions, to make a submission/deputation at the December Council meeting. The agenda items are still being collated, so I will be able to let you know what time during the meeting will be set aside for you closer to the date.

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Sent: Thursday, 26 October 2017 9:57 AM

From:

Jackie Reddaway

Sent:

Friday, 17 November 2017 2:26 PM

To:

'abjlmill@gmail.com'

Subject:

Letter from CEO re Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space

Attachments:

Letter to Andrew and Jillian Mill - Edithburgh Outdoor Gym.pdf; PO037 - Council

Policy - Internal Review of a Council Decision.pdf; PO147 Complaints Policy.pdf

Good Afternoon

Please find attached correspondence from CEO Andrew Cameron in response to your complaint about the Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space.

Kind Regards

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16 November 2017

Andrew and Jillian Mill
Via email: abjlmill@gmail.com

Dear Andrew and Jillian,

Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Space

I am writing in response to the concerns you raised in your email of Friday 20 October 2017, addressed to Mary Herrmann and the Yorke Peninsula Councillors and to the further email you sent to me last Thursday, 9 November 2017. Thank you for taking the time to set your concerns out in writing so as to facilitate a clear understanding of the issues.

In accordance with Council's Complaint Policy PO147 (attached), I have undertaken a review of the process undertaken by Mary, as the project manager, to plan for and create an outdoor gym space within the Edithburgh Township.

For the purposes of continuity and correlation, I have set out the issues raised in your emails below and provided a corresponding response to each.

Email Friday 20 October 2017

Firstly, thank you to Mary for your detailed responses. You have personally been very helpful to us. Please understand that we have indeed had a particularly hard time accessing information from the very moment we were shocked to first hear about the project from the photo in The Country Times in April. Since dealing with you directly communication has definitely improved, but prior to this we were definitely given the run around. We are asking why these documents and links were never referred to or brought to our attention at any time throughout the past 7 months. Indeed YP Council staff were not aware of the project and who was in charge when spoken to on the phone and emails were left unanswered, which we find unacceptable given that you have now provided us with the link to the information agenda report, which was back in NOVEMBER!"

The information agenda is a publicly available report. This would not typically be distributed to individual residents in relation to any Council project to be undertaken. At the time of the article being placed in the Country Times, the project was still in the development stage and it was always the intention to undertake further consultation with the community.

I am aware that you were expecting a response to the email you refer to that you had sent to Allan Cotton and Mary has apologised for the delay in response in that regard. I have considered all the documentation since that time and it appears that you have received responses to all of your communications with Council.

Council staff deal with many and varied matters across the organisation and within departments; it is common that for smaller projects such as this, Council staff in one department may not be aware of projects being undertaken by others.

"Upon further advice and investigation we have been advised to ask the following: The regulations that we are referring to our those of your own."

Council have the power to make By-Laws but not regulation. I do not believe that we have breached any By-Law or any Law or Regulation however if you are able to specify which By-Law, Law or Regulation you believe that Council have breached I will be able to investigate this further.

"We are still questioning if this has been compliant with council policy, including but not limited to the <u>Community Engagement Policy, PO057.</u>

We cannot find any evidence/record of community consultation. This complaint is required to be addressed."

In addition to the newspaper article, consultation was undertaken by a letter/survey being distributed to all ratepayers within the Edithburgh Township. This is in line with Level 2 Consult under Council's Community Engagement Policy PO057. Due to the concerns that you and another resident had raised, Council staff determined to exceed the Level 1 consultation required. The consultation process undertaken is considered appropriate for the Edithburgh Outdoor Gym Project (the Project).

"We have looked at the YP Council website often. This information has been extremely hard for us to find"

This is a Project that the Project Team develop over a period of time. Council would not typically report on small projects in detail on the website, particularly those that only relate to a specific township and are not directly affecting the broader community. Mary has also offered to assist in providing you with any information you require since the initial contact with you.

"and we find the site overwhelmingly difficult to pin point exact documents, even using the search function. (e.g. do you realise that typing in community engagement policy or Edithburgh outdoor gym do not bring up anything, and that is just 2 of many searches we tried)."

Thank you for your feedback in this regard, I have passed it on to our Information Technology Team for consideration in the further development of our website.

"We found the information agenda report in the Nov 9 agenda. We were looking in the minutes as we would expect it to be in the minutes recorded as items presented/discussed.

We are of the opinion that the committee should have kept minutes. How are the public to be kept informed?"

There was no formal committee established to administer this Project, which is the case for all small projects. The Project Team are an informal group of people and it has been made clear who the representatives were. The Project was valued at \$20,000 and there was no requirement to establish a formal committee to manage it.

"We are particularly concerned about the information agenda report.

The goal listed in it is "community engaged and supported". What is that referring to as we were never engaged with this project/ or indeed informed?"

You have been provided with the same information and opportunity to have your say as the other rate payers of the Edithburgh Township. Additionally, the email correspondence between you and Mary, in my view, shows that you have had the opportunity to put forward your views and to request information as required.

"Also of grave concern is top of page 13 "The Progress Associations and members of both the Ardrossan and Edithburgh communities have identified that outdoor gym equipment and landscaping their foreshore areas would be of significant benefit to the communities". We have read all the Coo-ee's and EPA minutes and have never seen any reference to provide input or request for comment from the community about landscaping the foreshore. Please advise when/ where this occurred. ("communities have identified...")"

"Never have the community been asked to identify any landscaping of the foreshore areas."

That is the message conveyed to Mary Herrmann during initial conversations with Progress. You will need to contact the Progress Association to gain further information about why you have been unable to locate this information in the records of their meetings.

"Under the project outcomes dot point one mentions nature play spaces...please define this."

This means encouraging children to touch and interact with the natural environment in their everyday play. This was a consideration should the preferred location of the gym be in a place that would benefit from the creation of a nature play space, enhancing the family experience of the gym. There is quite a bit of information available about nature play on the internet.

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I understand that Mary misunderstood what you were requiring and has since provided you with this information.

"Dot point two also mentions landscaping of the gym and nature play space". Exactly what is next to come? How can we access the foreshore plan?"

The Project Team are of the view that should the gym equipment be located on the foreshore, the natural experience was enough and no further landscaping would be required.

"Last dot point refers to "opportunities for local sporting clubs and community groups to utilize the gym equipment as groups". Where are the car parking spaces? What provisions does council have for these?"

Given the amount of people who can use the equipment at any one time, additional parking is not considered a requirement.

"And if that's the case then surely it makes sense to have it at the sporting area of the town, as we first suggested. Please explain why it can't go there. Once again we are seeking reasons as to WHY the committee recommended the foreshore... no reasons were given in their mail out for voting and we have twice asked for their rationale."

The Project Team felt that the gym would not be as visible in other areas away from the foreshore and were concerned that this would mean it would be under-utilised. They felt that it was important that the equipment be as visible as possible to maximise use by locals and visitors alike. In particular, it was intended that the gym would enhance the Walk the Yorke experience. The Project Team determined that the cliff top setting made the most contribution to a pleasurable experience while exercising.

""This project is another way to showcase to the community, how a collaborative, partnership approach can achieve the goals and aspirations of the Council and community providing positive outcomes for all involved." We take offence at this quote from your document. We absolutely once again assure you that at NO time has there been collaboration."

As Mary has mentioned, the Project has been made possible by the collaboration between Council, the Edithburgh Progress Association and the Yorketown Area School. Additionally and as previously

mentioned, consultation was also undertaken with a local personal trainer and each ratepayer within the township has been provided with the opportunity to have their say.

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As per the information I have provided above and in line with the Community Engagement Policy, Council would typically consult primary and/or secondary property owners for this type of project and not the broader community.

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"When there was a letterbox drop."

As you are aware, letters were distributed via mail and email as requested. The letters were distributed between 18 and 27 of September 2017. A three week response time was provided.

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As above.

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I am unable to identify any breach based on the evidence I have to hand.

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This is specifically referring to the timeframe for responding to the consultation process; which you met.

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- (1) Before a council adopts a management plan for community land it must
 - (a) Make copies of the proposed plan available for inspection or purchase at the council's principal office;
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 When we look at that that policy we cannot follow where that has been done."

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Thursday, 9 November 2017

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I am of the view that the rate payers were provided with information that was appropriate and adequate to enable an informed assessment of the project's magnitude and impact.

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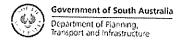
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Yours sincerely

Andrew Cameron

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



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Parent Title(s)

Creating Dealing(s)

RT 8854020

Title Issued

17/03/2000

Edition 2

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11/05/2013

Estate Type

CROWN LAND (UNALIENATED)

Owner

THE CROWN

Custodian

MINISTER FOR SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION OF ADELAIDE SA $5000\,$

Description of Land

SECTION 618 HUNDRED OF MELVILLE IN THE AREA NAMED EDITHBURGH

TOTAL AREA: 1.49HA (APPROXIMATE)

Easements

NIL

Schedule of Dealings

NIL

Schedule of Interests

Licence Number

Description

OL020959

ANNUAL LICENCE TO YORKE PENINSULA COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY PURPOSES

COMMENCING ON 01/12/1993 AND EXPIRING ON 30/11/2017

Notations

Dealings Affecting Title

NIL

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NIL

Registrar-General's Notes

NIL

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Also from CEO's response (please see letter page 3) he states that the Progress Association conveyed the message to you (in regards to any initial community consultation – listed in the information agenda report). And he goes on to suggest that we once again go back and ask progress this, even though they have previously stated "it would be best for you, if you have further concerns, to please contact the Council directly." We approached EPA first with these questions and then Council and now we have been re directed back to the EPA by the CEO.

Andrew's reference back to Progress directly related to your question about why the Progress thought that outdoor gym equipment and landscaping the foreshore areas would be of benefit to the community and why you had not been able to locate any reference to this in their documentation. They are questions that Council can't answer.

It was appropriate for the Progress to direct you to Council in relation to concerns about the Project Team, the gym equipment, the proposed location and the consultation process undertaken by the Council.

We can definitely state that at NO time has progress ever consulted the community regarding this or neither prior to stating it had actually done this as listed in its submission to council last November.

I am not sure what you mean by this; Council undertook the consultation?

When we queried them in regards to not having records in their minutes, they stated that they keep some minutes just for progress...so HOW can we ever know what they are doing when they write their minutes not documenting

decisions, and omit correspondence in and out? We are trying to ascertain the facts and gain information and not having success. Can you please advise what power the Progress Association has? Can we have a copy of their constitution? We see other projects listed there as "Council to be advised regarding the concept once Progress has given support to it, as it will need Council approval." What exactly is EPA and council's relationship?

The Progress are an incorporated body and completely separate from Council. In South Australia, incorporated bodies are governed by the <u>Associations Incorporations Act 1985</u>. They are not a public organisation like the Council. You will need to ask Progress for a copy of their constitution. They may also have a terms of reference and/or some rules, along with a strategic plan or something similar.

There is no particular relationship between Council and the Edithburgh Progress Association other than partnerships relating to external funding applications, such as the outdoor gym space, from time to time. As is the case with all progress associations.

Also in regards to the December meeting, I'm not sure how you list our agenda item, but I wanted to let you know that we have also been approached to speak on behalf of the group of concerned residents, who have given their opinions and ideas to me.

That's fine Jillian.

Thanks again Mary for all your efforts in helping us understand this process and obtain clear answers.

You are welcome. Would you still like me to give you a phone call as well?

Sincerely, Jillian and Andrew Mill