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REQUEST FOR COMMUNITY FEEDBACK AND COMMENTS

Following the release of the Annual Plan 23-24 survey, an opportunity for the community to provide feedback was provided and is presented below in a summarized form.

The survey was open for public comment for a period of 4 weeks, from 6 January to 6 February 2023. The comment period was advertised via social media, Council website, local radio and LinkedIn. Feedback was received via email and post to Council office.

There were two feedback submissions received in relation to the proposal.

Name: Mt. Lyell Strahan Picnic Committee Inc.

Thank you for the opportunity to contribute to the West Coast Council Annual Plan 2023/2024.

The Mt. Lyell - Strahan Picnic Committee Inc. operate as the not-for-profit organisers of the annual Mount Lyell Strahan Picnic held at West Strahan Beach. We have long enjoyed a partnership with West Coast Council and currently maintain access to the West Strahan Beach Picnic Shed where we store a growing number of assets for our use, and the community's use upon request.

As such, we offer the following items for consideration to Councillors when developing the 2023/2024 annual plan:

Reference Document	Specific Item	Comment
West Coast Community Plan 2015-2025	<p>1. 1 The West Coast, communities are accessible and safe for residents and visitors to the Region.</p> <p><i>1.1.1 Create and maintain community spaces and infrastructure.</i></p> <p>1.3 Active participation in sport, recreation, and leisure opportunities.</p> <p><i>1.3.1 Continually develop the Sport & Recreation plans for the Region to promote efficient use of existing sporting facilities and identify future sporting facility requirements.</i></p> <p>3.1 Well planned and resourced assets and infrastructure.</p>	<p>The Picnic Committee request that Council invest in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ongoing maintenance and upkeep of the Picnic Shed building,• Installation of proper flooring (food safe compliant) in the kitchen area, to allow the Picnic Shed to be used for the <i>production</i> and sale of food products,• Auditing of the building and identifying a maintenance/works/upgrade schedule to ensure;

	<p><i>3.1.3 Create and continually improve Council asset management (AM) plans and systems to manage and maintain all assets in a sustainable manner.</i></p> <p><i>3.1.4 Plan accordingly for Council buildings and facilities to meet community needs.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ That the building remains fit for purpose, ○ That it remains compliant (e.g., plumbing, electrical, food safe, etc) ○ That it is maintained to prevent further deterioration, ○ That the building remains secure through the provision of additional security measures, e.g., to discourage vandalism and prevent theft.
West Coast Sport and Recreation Plan Medium Term Implementation Guidance	Building longevity improvements (Page 5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address the condition of the running track <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ And seek to grade the running track to address the bumps and unevenness ○ And resow the grass • Address the corrosion of the running track leading to the exposure of the concrete footings (attached to the veranda)
West Coast Community Plan	<p>1.2. More connected and inclusive communities.</p> <p>1.2.3 Support initiatives for the Regions youth</p>	The Picnic Committee request that Council commit to ongoing support of the annual Mount Lyell Strahan Picnic, through cash sponsorship and in-kind support to ensure the event's longevity and success.
West Coast Sport and Recreation Plan	12.4: Assist clubs, associations and schools to gain external funding to contribute towards facility upgrades and developments, club development initiatives and participation programs.	The Picnic Committee request that Council employ a 'grants officer' to help organisations such as ours (who rely on volunteer capacity) to apply for and access grant funding.
West Coast Community Plan	<p>1.2. More connected and inclusive communities.</p> <p><i>1.2.4 Encourage and recognise volunteering which supports a range of community safety, recreational, sporting and cultural activities.</i></p>	<p>This will;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Ensure the longevity of our event, b) Assist to manage the workload of our volunteers

Name: Peter Downey

I have three submissions for council:

1. **Council owned gyms:** I believe that some or ALL the gyms are underutilized. By regular use of the equipment may deter vermin e.g. mice, rats, snakes etc from setting up house and extend the life of the equipment. Suggestions:

- (a) 30 day free one off trial.
- (b) future reduced rates for concession card holders.
- (c) the \$25 card swipe registration to remain.

2. **Lack of signage.** This is a common thread when talking to locals and tourists. There are no signs depicting where bush walk/biking areas are located, when on trails there are very few arrows etc. the 4x4tracks are poorly signed and there should be a major sign set up in each town. Suggestion that all towns have a sign with the following information:

- a) all accessible walking trails.
- b) all accessible push bike trails.
- c) all dedicated 4x4tracks.
- d) include a "you are here "dot.

This could be a stand-alone structure on council/ public land. Every town that I've been to has its own "mud map", except for the West Coast region. My proposal is to enlist the services of each town's men's shed to manufacture the signs for their towns where applicable. Council to supply the materials (wood etc) and would oversee the project, complying with councils by-laws for signage. Council would then negotiate the purchase of the signs thus giving the men's sheds much needed funds and a community project. This could extend to other stakeholders e.g.. forestry, parks, mines etc.

Thirdly, the Rosebery public swimming pool has been closed for some time now. Apparently on the mainland some councils open their pools during the off season for fly fishing clubs/people for the purpose of honing or practicing their casting techniques. How about this council look into the viability of doing this for the west coast region and charge a small fee to cover costs?