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# WINGECARRIBEE SHIRE COUNCIL

## APPENDIX A - REVIEW OF WINGECARRIBEE OPEN SPACE, RECREATION, CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES NEEDS STUDY (2004)



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### 1: Strategy Integration

Status	Key Outcome
✓	Update capital works program.
✓	Explore developer agreements
✓	Review Councils Section 94 Plan to incorporate key findings of this study.

### 2: Rationalisation of Surplus Open Space

Status	Key Outcome
✓	Confirm the appropriateness of selling identified sites – considering existing and future needs in regard to local open space.

### 3: An Indoor Leisure Centre

Status	Key Outcome
✓	Council to evaluate a range of sites against agreed criteria and centre facilities. Preliminary site layout for preferred site to be developed.
X	Council to commission concept designs for the preferred site and prepare cost estimates.
X	Review costs and Council decision to proceed.
X	Tender for construction developed as next step.

### 4: Rationalising the Existing Swimming Centres

Status	Key Outcome
X	Prepare and implement a patronage monitoring plan.
X	Assess access / transportation comparisons for each pool site to consider catchment potential and social implications.
✓	Develop a strategy for the Shire's existing pools in tandem with the leisure centre strategy.

### 5: A 'Home' for Individual Sports

Status	Key Outcome
X	Council to prepare and release a proposal regarding 'homes' for individual sports for community discussion and comment.
X	Council seeks expressions of interest from sport and recreation bodies to confirm the homes of sport concept and where appropriate enter into lease agreements.
X	Following finalisation of a strategy, Council to prepare an audit of parks and establish works required to enable the teams to establish.

## 6: Enlivening Our Parks, Gardens and Public Spaces

Status	Key Outcome
✓	Council prepares a Pedestrian Access Mobility Plan for each of the towns and villages in the LGA.
✓	Council undertake a cost/benefit analysis of the Tulip Time Festival.
X	Council investigates the feasibility and potential sites for a 'Central Park' facility.

## 7: Playgrounds

Status	Key Outcome
✓	Council to undertake a detailed audit of its existing Council playgrounds.
✓	Council to prioritise fencing of existing playgrounds next to main roads, and upgrades to meet safety standards.
✓	Assess future needs for playgrounds in each precinct

## 8: Extending and Enlivening Our Shared Pathways

Status	Key Outcome
✓	Council commences pre-planning for land acquisitions for all proposed pathway developments – see Precinct Plan.
X	Council engineer and planner to inspect the heritage Loop Rail Line and the Wilson Drive Road reserve (Colo Vale to Hill Top).
✓	Council Recreation and Cultural Planners to inspect and review the existing and proposed shared pathway network and determine ideal locations for seats, toilet facilities and public place making art.

## 9: Enhancing Our Natural Areas

Status	Key Outcome
✓	Council sustainably manage and continue to implement Wingecarribee Our Future Environment projects which focus on improving the quality of Council's natural areas.
✓	Council to develop a 'Natural Areas Walkways Strategy' to examine the need for and prioritise funding for upgrades to existing walkways and signage in Council owned/managed natural areas.
✓	Council's Promotions Strategy to include promotion of the Shire's existing walkways within Council owned/managed natural areas.
✓	Council to hold workshop/consultations with NSW State Forests, NPWS and NSW Department of Tourism, Sport and Recreation to clarify and develop opportunities for coordinating recreation strategies.

## 10: A Community Working Art Space

Status	Key Outcome
✓	Council revises their motion to support in principle a Regional Art Gallery and focus on developing the concept of a working creative space that has good accessibility and includes gallery facilities.
X	Council establishes a committee to work on the working art space concept.

X	Council co-ordinate the investigation into the detailed needs associated with working art spaces.
X	Council considers a management structure for the facility and consult with TAFE.
X	Council considers locations for the working art space.
X	Council engages architects to develop site concept designs to the agreed budget.
X	Council sign-off on preferred location and design and finalise funding scenario.

#### 11: Community Facility Precincts and Community Based (Non-Government) Services and Organisations

Status	Key Outcome
X	Council endorses the principle of Council managed community precincts in the strategic locations identified above.
X	Council formulates a policy and strategy to accommodate community-based services or organisations.
X	Council gather information on the specific accommodation needs of community-based organisations and some government agencies.
X	Council integrates these recommendations with community halls recommendations.
X	Council negotiates the relocation of some existing community-based organisations

#### 12: Making Better Use of Our Community Halls

Status	Key Outcome
✓	Council to seek expressions of interest from community organisations (including recreation and community services organisations) and the wider community for the use of Council's existing halls.
✓	Council confirms needs requirements and recommendations for community halls – continue present use, reuse for another community activity, or rationalise. Apply criteria identified above.
✓	Where appropriate, Council enter into lease agreements with users or negotiate the relocation of some existing community-based services or organisations.
X	Council allocates funds to increase the flexibility and storage of those halls which are to be retained.
X	Council engages an architect to design for more storage and provide more flexible spaces for identified needs.

#### 13: Centralised Youth Facilities

Status	Key Outcome
X	Council to discuss relocation options with the Loseby Youth Centre.
✓	Council supports the existing proposal for a Library Youth Facility in Bowral
✓	Council employs a full-time youth worker to facilitate flexible youth programs in response to specific needs and locations.
✓	Council seeks funding (grants) for youth programs.
X	Council considers relocating the Loseby Park skate facility to the park on the corner of Bong Bong and Bowral Streets, Bowral.

#### 14: Libraries

Status	Key Outcome
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| ✓ | Council supports the existing proposal for a Library Youth Facility at the Bowral Memorial Hall.   |
| X | Council considers accommodating an expansion of the Mittagong library in the former Mittagong Bowling Club.  |
| X | If the leisure centre is located at Moss Vale Community Oval, Council considers incorporating a new and expanded library facility as part of this development. |
| X | Council introduces a section 94 plan component to collect funds for additional library resources (books, computers etc.).                                      |

#### 15: Electronic Media

Status	Key Outcome
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| ✓ | Council to support the proposal to develop a Library Youth Facility at the Bowral Memorial Hall.  |
| X | Council endorses the principle of providing outreach internet services in the north, east and south of the Shire and the concept of 'Connecting the Wingecarribee'. |
| ✓ | Council examines potential NSW State Government funding sources for community development of internet facilities.   |
| X | Council develops a Strategy for Connecting Wingecarribee communities.   |
| ✓ | Council to consider funding scenarios and budget requirements.  |

#### 16: An Indigenous Meeting Space

Status	Key Outcome
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| ✓ | Council's cultural officer to meet with indigenous groups to identify their ideas and needs for an Aboriginal Centre.  |
| ✓ | Council, the Indigenous Advisory Committee and necessary service providers identify a Council owned residence for a 5-year lease to accommodate the Aboriginal Centre. |

#### 17: Community Access

Status	Key Outcome
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| ✓ | Develop Community Access Strategies for all large facilities proposed within this strategy: including the leisure centre and working art space/s. |
| ✓ | Council implements recommendations 10.6 and 10.8 regarding shared pathways and footpaths in Wingecarribee.  |

#### 18: Promotion and Community Information Management

Status	Key Outcome
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| X | Council or an external body prepare a Promotions Policy to guide the promotion of Council's activities and facilities. |
| ✓ | Council utilise the inventory attached to this report as the basis for a facility database.                            |

X	Expand the function of the libraries to include a local recreational and cultural facilities information node.
X	Council utilises the existing Wingecarribee Today newsletter to promote Council's facilities.
X	Council allocate budget for promotion of new major community facilities such as the leisure centre and community art space.
✓	Council updates its website and link it to other key sites.

## 19: Precinct Plan

Status	Key Outcome
X	Ensure new development in New Berrima accommodates new areas of passive open space.
✓	Promote the New Berrima Community Centre as a location for hire (e.g., children's parties)
X	Develop larger playground at Glebe Park, Bowral; and implement new playgrounds already proposed in East Bowral
✓	Upgrade Loseby Park – new signage at entrance; seal tennis club car park and access road; add landscaping; fix drainage problem at tennis courts
✓	Upgrade entrance and driveway to Eridge Park.
X	Develop proposed netball court at Bundanoon Park
X	Upgrade Ferndale reserve - walkways; bbq/picnic facilities; investigate aboriginal heritage and incorporate heritage interpretation if appropriate.
X	Develop facilities for children at Bundanoon Pony Club.
X	Upgrade Bundanoon Park/Oval – lighting and toilets; move skate ramps off basketball court.
✓	Promote Jurd Park for baseball, and softball and install floodlights
X	Upgrade Exeter Park – control parking to protect trees; and add seating in the shade.
X	Upgrade Boronia Park Oval – relocate children's playground away from access and parking area; upgrade playground (shade cloths, Softfall areas); complete fencing; improve access to cricket nets; upgrade car park; upgrade floodlighting; add seating and gas bbq facilities.
✓	Upgrade Lake Alexandra Reserve to be Mittagong's main passive open space areas with substantial improvements to bank stabilisation, signage, formal concrete pathways of short length and nature/bush walkways of longer lengths
X	Convert one of the tennis courts at Mittagong Oval into a recreation slab/skate ramp.
X	If Moss Vale is selected as site for leisure centre incorporate upgrade of Moss Vale library into development – expand (including electronic services).
X	Upgrade Yerrinbool Oval/sporting precinct – develop permanent recreation slab on tennis courts; fix fencing; and upgrade bmx track.