- c. That the hours of operation of the Club at the premises be no later than midnight Saturday and 10.00pm all other days (except where otherwise approved by the CEO for special events).
- 2. On the basis that Items 1(a)-(c) of this recommendation are met and/or agreed to by the Club to the satisfaction of the CEO, authorise the CEO to execute a Lease Agreement for an initial term of ten (10) years with an annual fee of \$1.00 (peppercorn).
- 3. On the basis that Item 2 is completed, authorise the CEO to negotiate and execute a Licence Agreement for a mutually agreed term not in excess of ten (10) years with an annual fee of \$1.00 (peppercorn over the portion of land at 9 Bowling Ave, Port Lincoln (CT 5787/373) to be used as public car parking.

12.2. <u>DRAFT ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN 2024-2025 & DRAFT LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN</u> 2025-2034 SUMMARY – COMMUNITY CONSULTATION REPORT

REPORT PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is for Council to receive the Draft Annual Business Plan 2024/2025 and Draft Long Term Financial Plan 2025-2034 Summary Community Consultation Report and to endorse the report as a summary of the consultation process, the submissions received, matters raised through the consultation process, and for the report to be published on Council's website.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- Having regard to the process undertaken, is satisfied the community consultation has met the requirements of Council's Public Consultation and Community Engagement Policy and the relevant provisions within the Local Government Act 1999;
- 2. Endorse the Draft Annual Business Plan 2024/25 and Long Term Financial Plan 2025-2034 Financial Summary Public Consultation Report as a summary of the consultation process, the submissions received (including XXX submissions received at this Council meeting), matters raised through the consultation process, and that the report be published on Council's Website.

12.2 <u>DRAFT ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN 2024/2025 AND DRAFT LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2025-</u> 2034 SUMMARY - COMMUNITY CONSULTATION REPORT

REPORT INFORMATION				
Report Title	Draft Annual Business Plan 2024/2025 & Long-Term Financial Plan 2025-2034 Summary - Community Consultation Report			
Document ID	32436			
Organisational Unit	Corporate & Community			
Responsible Officer	Manager Finance & Business - Bonnie Kelso			
Report Attachment/s	Yes 32765 Draft ABP Public Consultation Submissions Report			
REPORT PURPOSE				
Draft Long Term Financial Plan endorse the report as a summar	Council to receive the Draft Annual Business Plan 2024/2025 and 2025-2034 Summary Community Consultation Report and to y of the consultation process, the submissions received, matters process, and for the report to be published on Council's website.			
REPORT DECISION MAKING CON	REPORT DECISION MAKING CONSIDERATIONS			
Council Role	Regulate - Specific role in response to legislation and compliance - direct, specific or general in nature (such as duty of care)			
Strategic Alignment	SDP GOAL: Goal 3: Governance and Leadership SDP ACTION: 3.5 Implement Business Excellence and continuous improvement, including service reviews for relevance, efficiency and effectiveness			
Annual Business Plan 2023/24	ABP INITIATIVE: Not Applicable ABP PROJECT: Not Applicable			
Legislation	Local Government Act 1999			
Policy	Public Consultation & Community Engagement 2.63.1			
Budget Implications	Not Applicable			
	DESCRIPTION BUDGET AMOUNT \$ YTD \$			
	Budget assessment comments:			
Risk Implications	Low Risk			
Resource Implications	Not Applicable			
Public Consultation	Yes - Mandatory			
IAP2 Commitment	CONSULT - We will keep you informed, listen to and acknowledge concerns and aspirations, and provide feedback on how public feedback input has influenced the decision.			

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Having regard to the process undertaken, is satisfied the community consultation has met the requirements of Council's Public Consultation and Community Engagement Policy and the relevant provisions within the Local Government Act 1999;
- 2. Endorse the Draft Annual Business Plan 2024/25 and Long Term Financial Plan 2025-2034 Financial Summary Public Consultation Report as a summary of the consultation process, the submissions received (including XXX submissions received at this Council meeting), matters raised through the consultation process, and that the report be published on Council's Website.

REPORT DETAIL

Statutory Compliance

The Local Government Act requires that Council adopt an annual business plan and budget each year. Section 123 of the Act requires that the annual business plan should include:

- a summary of the Council's longer-term objectives, as set out in its strategic management plans;
- significant influences for the year including financial factors, asset renewal needs and progress on continuing projects;
- the Council's specific objectives for the next year against which its performance will be measured;
- the activities (services and projects) that the Council intends to undertake to achieve its objectives;
- a summary of the proposed sources of revenue for the year;
- Council's proposed approach to rating for the year and what it means for ratepayers.

The Act also sets out requirements for consultation before adopting an annual business plan.

Process

The Annual Business Plan engagement process followed a strategic communication action plan in line with Council's Public Consultation and Community Engagement Policy to ensure the community would be informed and feedback was invited and carefully considered.

In addition to fortnightly information and notices in the Port Lincoln Times, the consultation included:

- Media Advertising –Radio and Print
- Media Release
- Website Information
- Social Media posts
- Community Information Sessions
- An hour set aside at the commencement of the June Ordinary Council Meeting held on 17 June 2024 to allow members of the public an opportunity to make a verbal submission.

Councillors participated with staff through Council information sessions to consider the development of the Draft Annual Business Plan for 2024/2025. This process informed the drafting of the Annual Business Plan and Annual Budget for Council's consideration and community consultation and feedback.

The consultation process was run through Council's YourSay Engagement Hub, Council's online community engagement platform where community are able to review the relevant documentation, read the Frequently Asked Questions section, and make their submissions.

Council's engagement hub reported that 155 individuals accessed the Draft Annual Business Plan document. At the completion of the consultation period, Council had received 6 written submissions.

Running concurrently with the Annual Business Plan consultation process, Council also engaged with the community on the Review of the Basis of Rating Paper. This allowed community to have their say with respect to the legislated transition from Site Value to Capital Value as the basis for rating purposes.

Two community information sessions were held on Tuesday 11 June 2024 at 2pm and 6pm, where briefings were held, and ratepayers were also given the opportunity to make specific enquiries with respect to changes to their rates.

In total, seven community members attended both these sessions.

Council's Audit & Risk Committee would usually review this report prior to the Council meeting, however, on this occasion, the dates for meetings could not be aligned. The Audit & Risk Committee will be presented with this report on Wednesday 19 June 2024, with a view to Council adopting the Annual Business Plan 2024/25 and other strategic plans at a Special Meeting of Council scheduled for 24 June 2024. This will allow the Audit & Risk Committee the opportunity to provide their recommendation to Council prior to final adoption.

Draft Annual Business Plan & Budget 2024/2025 and Long Term Financial Plan 2025-2034 – Financial Summary Public Consultation Report

Subject	Description	Response
Brinkworth Reserve	Firstly, the Friends of Brinkworth Reserve, again thank your Council for supporting the National Trust and its volunteers in contributing to the new toilet block at the Reserve. We are pleased with the finished results, as are visitors to the reserve. We believe about 98% of the visitors to the reserve are Port Lincoln residents, and in reality is simply another open space for the residents of Port Lincoln and surrounding area to use. Around 10 years ago we sought funding assistance to cover essential maintenance costs at the reserve and the Lower Eyre Council has been allocating \$5,000 in its budget each year for this purpose. Inflation, together with increased maintenance tasks has made this amount insufficient to cover these costs. To assist the National Trust and our volunteer group, we ask your Council to consider allocating a similar amount (\$5,000) each year to ensure all necessary maintenance can be undertaken in a timely manner.	It is understood that the Friends of the Brinkworth Reserve will be presenting to Council at the meeting on 17 June 2024 on this request. Although the logic of the request is understood and in part agreed with. It is recommended that Council not support this request because this would be paying for ongoing maintenance of a reserve outside of the Council boundary. There are many residents from the immediate vicinity around Port Lincoln and the broader Eyre Peninsula that utilize the parks, gardens, roads, car parks etc. within the COPL area. This does not mean that Council can send an invoice to those groups or Councils. Although it may seem an arbitrary logic, in many ways it is the only reasonable logic to distribute costs between Council areas at this time. This request should also be seen in light of the \$20,000 contribution made to the toilet block recently.
Pioneer Cemetery signage upgrade	The Port Lincoln History Group have had approval from previous CEO's, our desire to apply for funding to replace the existing 'Section / Row' marker pegs at Pioneer Cemetery, Port Lincoln. The existing peg markings do not correspond with Sections and Rows and cause confusion for cemetery researchers and visitors.	This project is supported and should be considered in light of the recent vandalism at this cemetery. For this reason, \$10,000 has been included in the draft 2024/25 budget for this purpose in discussions with the Port Lincoln History Group.

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	Several years ago, our Group attached some temporary tags to the markers to indicate correctly. Our desire is to replace the old markers with, perhaps, new recycled plastic posts with engraved tags. We are seeking your permission to proceed with this, and enquire about the possibility of the City contributing towards the project, both in-kind and monetary.	
Draft 2024/25 Budget	As a resident of Cove View Drive who was promised completion of Lincoln Cove East Reserve back in 2017, I am in full support of the Council's allocation of resources to this project. I look forward to the upcoming consultations regarding what this space may look like.	\$476,000 has been included for the development of the Lincoln Cove East Reserve. It is noted that although this has been included, this is a significant project and will require negotiation with the Developer to progress.
Rate cap and consideration of amalgamation	Council should consider implementation of a general rate cap to stop any future harsh rate rises. Council should also consider amalgamating with DCLEP as a lot of built up areas are extending into the port Lincoln adjoining area and using port Lincoln council services. This means council is incurring the cost of providing these services and equipment to the Lower Eyre Peninsula people, which is a benefit to them. As such, an amalgamation would benefit both parties.	The rate setting processing is driven from Council's long term financial planning process. Council has done its utmost to cut back the increase that was previously project of in the order of 7.8% to 6.3% noting the cost-of-living impact on residents. However, this needs to be seen in conjunction with a continuing operating deficit and significantly escalating costs for Council. Amalgamation is a broader strategic question for Council and would need to be considered as part of the Strategic Planning Process currently underway.

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Follet street drainage	I would like to know of any development for infrastructure on the drainage of the intersection of Stamford terrace and Follet street. This corner is prone to flooding in heavy downpours, affecting house on the corner.	The draft Stormwater Management Plan, being presented to Council on 17 June 2024, includes \$550,000 for an upgrade to the Stamford/Follet Street stormwater drainage from 2025 to 2028.
RUSTLERS GULLY PLAY AREA	This letter was sent to council on April 1 to Jaedyn Rayner concerning the state of Rustlers Gully Playground and our concerns to propose an upgrade We have been residents of the Rustlers Gull area since 1982 when we built a house on Yardea Street. At the same time the Rustlers Gully Playground was also erected as a result of the Rustlers Gully Progress association We are writing to enquire to what steps we need to begin to request an application for an upgrade to the playground facilities. Puckridge Park having recent upgrades. In the 80's there were swings, a slippery dip, monkey bars and a flying fox. Very little has ever been added but more so removed. Currently there are 2 swings, a climbing frame and a very old metal slippery dip. Far from being inviting. We are aware of many young families in the close vicinity of the playground but it is not comparable to any others in Port Lincoln. 5 nearby houses to us in Yardea Street have 12 children under 5. There are many more in Miltalie St, Milton St and Blacker Court that we are aware of. This is without the many grandparents like us who care for their grandchildren. We are 4 km from the centre of town and believe that the council should consider upgrades to this facility. We should not have to travel into town each time we want to visit a playground with the young ones We are therefore asking what action needs to be taken to have this taken into	It is agreed that the Rustlers Gully Playground has been assessed and is due for renewal. A design has been completed and the cost of a renewed playground will be in the order of \$100,000. This project was seriously considered as part of the 2024/25 budget. However, the Netball Playground at Ravendale was assessed as the priority based on: The playground is also due for renewal. The playground has higher utilization (based on anecdotal evidence). The fact that the playground is currently closed due to safety issues. Whereas the Rustlers Gully Playground is still functional albeit dated. The Netball Association has offered to co-contribute to this project. It is noted that Council has a number of playgrounds that are nearing their renewal stage and a longer term plan will need to be developed to renew playgrounds in an affordable manner, which may require fewer, better playgrounds.

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	consideration by the Port Lincoln City Council. Jaedyn's reply stated "Thank you for reaching out regarding the condition of the Park. I'm pleased to inform you that we've already taken steps to address the outdated equipment. I've initiated contact with various playground suppliers to explore options for improving the equipment onsite. As part of this process, I'll be putting together a rough budget proposal for consideration in the next Financial Year's budget. I appreciate your willingness to collaborate further on this project. I'd be more than happy to meet with you onsite to discuss your preferences for the park and any other concerns you may have. Your input is crucial in ensuring that the improvements align with the needs and expectations of the residents. Please let me know a convenient time for you to meet, and I'll make the necessary arrangements. Since making contact with Brad Tolley a replacement personnel we have been informed according to the Draft Plan that no provision has been made for this to occur. Reading the Draft Plan money is allocated to replacement at Nelson Courts for non compliance. The Rustlers Gully has 3 pieces of equipment only. 2 swings a climbing frame and a slippery dip which is metal and surely would not meet the safety compliance We are urging the council to take this into consideration for the residents of the Rustlers Gully Area Unable to attach word file or images (Later received via email)	It is recommended that the Rustlers Gully playground be reassessed as a potential project in the 2025/26 financial year.