

LONGREACH REGIONAL COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA

Thursday 26 October 2023

Civic Centre, 96 Eagle Street, Longreach

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Consideration of an 'Application for works on Council owned land' from the Longreach Tennis Club to refurbish courts 3, 4 and 5 at the Longreach Tennis Club.

Council Action

Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009

Building Act 1975

Policy Considerations

Nil

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL: BUILDING SERVICES & REGULATION			
Link to Corporate Plan	Activity	Key Performance Indicators	Operational Targets
4.1.4	Building certification services.	Building certification services comply with statutory requirements and are client connected and outcome driven.	100% of building applications assessed within 10 business days and without the need to extend the decision period. 95% of customer requests are responded to within 2 days.

Budget Considerations

The estimated cost for the project is \$400, 000. The Longreach Tennis Club would need to contribute 10% of the project total cost. The Longreach Tennis Club has \$10,000 available for the contribution and will be seeking the additional \$30,000 from Council.

Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter

Nil

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer: Kelli Doyle – A/Public Facilities Manager

Background:

The Longreach Tennis Club is currently in the process of applying for the Minor Infrastructure grant from the Department of Innovation Tourism and Sport, with the aim of resurfacing courts 3, 4 and 5.

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Courts 1 and 2 were refurbished a couple of years ago. Courts 3, 4 and 5 are in various stages of deterioration impacting the game of play during the matches. The resurfacing project will not only improve safety and quality but also extend the life of the courts, ensuring continued access for the members and future generations.

The Longreach Tennis Club has a rich history of providing opportunities for residents to engage in sports, promote health and wellness, it offers a space for the transient community to integrate into town and foster a sense of togetherness. However, like many organisations, they face challenges in maintaining their facilities to meet the expectations and needs of their members.

Issue:

The Longreach Tennis Club requires formal consent from Council to undertake work on Council owned land.

Risk Management Factors:

This matter has been assessed using Council's Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood: Possible
Consequence: Insignificant
Rating: Low (3/25)

Environmental Management Factors:

Nil

Other Comments:

Due to the total project cost being over \$50,000 Council would undertake the project management of the project.

The Longreach Tennis Club would continue to be responsible for the maintenance of the courts post re-surfacing/refurbishment.

Appendices

1. Longreach Tennis Club Submission to Council [↓](#)
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Recommendation:

That Council:

- (1) grants the Longreach Tennis Club permission to refurbish courts 3, 4 and 5 at the Longreach Tennis Courts and
 - (2) agrees to contribute \$30,000 towards the total project cost.
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Longreach Regional Council
96A Eagle St
Longreach
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Dear Longreach Tennis Club,

RE: Longreach Regional Tennis Club Submission to Council

Dear Longreach Regional Council,

On behalf of the Longreach Tennis Club, I am writing to seek the support of the Longreach Regional Council for the Longreach Tennis Club, an integral part of our community for many years. We are currently in the process of applying for the Minor Infrastructure grant from the Department of Innovation Tourism and Sport, with the aim of resurfacing courts 3, 4, and 5, crucial facilities for our club and community.

The Longreach Tennis Club has a rich history of providing opportunities for our residents to engage in sports, promote health and wellness, offers a space for the transient community to integrate into town, and foster a sense of togetherness. However, like many organisations, we face challenges in maintaining our facilities to meet the expectations and needs of our members.

Here are the key details we would like you to consider when providing your letter of support:

1. Grant Application: The Longreach Tennis Club is applying for Minor Infrastructure grant from the Department of Innovation Tourism and Sport to resurface courts 3, 4, and 5. The estimated cost for this project is \$400,000.

2. Club Contribution: To secure the grant, the Club is required to contribute 10% of the project total cost. Longreach Tennis Club has \$10,000 available for this contribution, we are asking if the council would be able to support us in providing the remaining \$30,000 to make up the 10% contribution.

3. Community Impact: The resurfacing of these courts is not only vital for our club but also for the broader community. Well-maintained facilities enhance sports participation, attract tournaments, promote coaching opportunities for school aged children, and boost local sports tourism, ultimately benefiting the local economy.

4. Enhanced Facilities: The resurfacing project will not only improve safety and quality but also extend the life of the courts, ensuring continued access for our members and future generations.

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We kindly request your assistance in providing a letter of support for the Longreach Tennis Club to accompany our grant application. Your endorsement will not only strengthen our case but also demonstrate the council's commitment to investing in our community's health, wellbeing, recreation, and infrastructure.

With your support, we can bridge the financial gap required for our contribution to this important project. This will help us maintain and improve our facilities, ensuring that the Longreach Tennis Club continues to be a valuable asset to our town.

If you require any additional information or would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact Chris Smith (0400 490 900) or tennislongreach@gmail.com. We are more than willing to provide any necessary documentation or attend a council meeting to address any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Chris Smith
President
Longreach Tennis Club



Application for works on Council owned land





Application for works on Council owned land

This application form is to request consent before carrying out works on Council owned land and/or facilities owned by Council.

Before you start

Discuss your project with the Community and Cultural Services Department to identify any site constraints and obtain advice on your proposal in the planning phase prior to submitting your application.

If you are applying for a grant to fund this work, you will need to submit your application for approval to complete the works well in advance of submitting a grant application to Council or other organisations.

To help you complete this form, there are important details that you need to be clear on and have on hand including:

- ▶ Details about discussions with a Council officer and who you spoke to
- ▶ Who will carry out works
- ▶ Project details
- ▶ Plans
- ▶ An understanding of ongoing maintenance costs for the proposed works

If you do not have this information, please contact the Longreach Regional Council, Community and Cultural Services Department on (07) 4658 4111.

When you need consent

You need to request the consent of Council for any proposed works on Council owned land including leased areas and buildings. Outlined below are examples of the type of work which require approval from Council:

- ▶ closed circuit television (CCTV)
- ▶ new buildings/structures
- ▶ extension to existing building/s
- ▶ field/court lighting
- ▶ fencing
- ▶ filling/earthworks drainage
- ▶ internal building work
- ▶ new fields/courts
- ▶ other lighting
- ▶ play equipment
- ▶ removal of buildings/structures
- ▶ signage
- ▶ sports fields
- ▶ sports field irrigation/bores
- ▶ tree or vegetation work
- ▶ water tanks

Work must not commence until Council provides written consent, and in certain cases, further approvals may be required from Council (e.g. development approval, advertising sign licence etc).

Initial discussions

Have you discussed the work with a Council officer?

Yes No

If so, what is the Officer's name?

Brett Walsh

During your discussion, did you find out about development approval permits?

- A planning permit is required
- An existing permit needs to be updated
- No permit required
- Didn't discuss permits





What happens next?

Complete this form and submit to Council via email assist@longreach.qldgov.au or hand into your local Branch Office

Application is assessed and a Council report created by Council Officers. You may be contacted if more information is required.

Report is tabled at a Council meeting where a decision on the application is made by Council.

You will be notified of the decision of Council within 5 business days after the Council meeting.

Contact Information

Name: (Group or Organisation)	Longreach Tennis Club Inc
ABN:	41 395 206 288
Contact Person:	Charlotte Welch
Postal Address:	PO Box 162 Longreach QLD 4730
Telephone:	
Mobile:	0401453970
Email:	tennislongreach@gmail.com

Organisation Vision/Mission

To further develop the Longreach tennis community
 To bring about more opportunities for kids to get involved in sports
 To provide opportunities for new residents in town to get out and meet people



Project Details

Provide as much detail as possible up front. If we need more detail on the application it may delay the application process.

Title of project:	Refurbishment of Tennis Courts
Project description:	<p>The Longreach Tennis Club is applying for Minor Infrastructure grant from the Department of Innovation Tourism and Sport to resurface courts 3, 4, and 5. The estimated cost for this project is \$400,000.</p> <p>We still require an engineer to do an assessment of the courts to get a better understanding of the level of refurbishment needed for the back three courts. Quotes are currently being obtained and can produce them upon request once received.</p>
Location/address of project:	Lot 168 Kite Street Longreach QLD 4730
Value of project:	\$400,000
Project duration/ Target completion date:	Depending on grant and skilled personnel availability 1-2 years
Other project milestones eg. funding closure dates:	Grant closure date 16th November 2023.



<p>Outline the need for this project:</p>	<p>Longreach Tennis Club currently has 5 courts on site. Courts 1 and 2 were refurbished a couple years ago and people are able to have a decent game of tennis on them.</p> <p>Courts 3,4 and 5 however, are in various stages of deterioration impacting the game of play during matches and is now getting to the point where they can be considered a safety risk.</p> <p>Court 3 in particular, has been quarantined due to how bad the surface is to play on.</p> <p>We have also had increasing numbers at tuesday social tennis and at the annual tennis competition and it makes it hard for everyone to have a equal playing experience when the back three courts are problematic.</p>
<p>Who is the target group for this project:</p>	<p>Longreach Tennis Club and the Longreach tennis community</p>
<p>If this is an infrastructure project, please outline who will be responsible for maintenance:</p>	<p>Longreach Tennis Club Committee will be responsible for courts post re-surfacing/refurbishment.</p>
<p>If this is an infrastructure project, please outline if development and building approval has been sought:</p>	<p>Development building approval has not been sought as unsure if it is required.</p>
<p>Annual estimate for maintenance costs:</p>	<p>up to \$1000 if that. Courts require minimal maintenance at an annual level.</p>
<p>If this is an infrastructure project, who will be responsible for managing construction:</p>	<p>Longreach Tennis Club</p>



Support Documentation

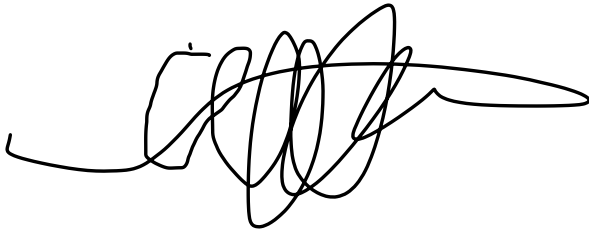
Plans, please make sure they include:

- ▶ permanent structures in relation to property boundaries
- ▶ proposed works
- ▶ dimensions of proposed works
- ▶ location and names of streets/street frontages
- ▶ a north point

Consent and Declarations

I certify that to the best of my knowledge, information detailed in this application (and relevant attachments) is true and correct.

I understand I may be asked to provide the Council with additional information as required

Signature: Note: If you are under the age of 18, your legal guardian must also sign this application	
Date:	19/10/23
Name in full:	Charlotte Welch
Community Group/ Organisation:	Longreach Tennis Club
Position in Group or Organisation: If applicable	Secretary

