

**Summary of public consultation feedback and responses**

<b>Issue Raised</b>	<b>Response</b>
<b>Disability access</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Nambour Showgrounds needs to consider accessibility for people with disabilities, including compliant access throughout the site, seating and carparking.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The master plan has been revised to ensure that accessibility for people with disabilities is addressed on site. Additional provisions have been included within the “Access and Circulation” section of the master plan.</li> </ul>
<b>Linkages</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Need to ensure priority pedestrian and cycle links to other key open spaces in Nambour (Nambour Central Park, Nambour Aquatic Centre and the Nambour CBD).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The “Access and Circulation” section of the master plan has been amended so that recommended internal connections and external connections are clear and well defined.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Environmental linkages need to be considered along Petrie Creek.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The master plan focuses specifically on the Nambour Showgrounds site. The master plan however does not preclude the establishment of environmental linkages along Petrie Creek.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Public transport linkages – allow bus traffic to traverse showgrounds regularly as part of public transport corridor/ routes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The master plan has been amended to investigate this opportunity in the future.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Potential future tramway corridor could connect with the Showgrounds site.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The master plan has been amended to nominate a potential corridor for a future tramway.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planned recreation trail/ bikeway in existing riparian strip along Petrie Creek.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It is acknowledged that council has nominated a recreation trail connecting Nambour, Bli Bli and Coolum to be established in the long term. The master plan does not preclude this from occurring in the future.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide permanent walking and cycling link (open 24/7) from Crusher Park to town centre through Quota Park.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A link connecting the Nambour Showgrounds, Quota Park and Crusher Park is identified on the master plan. Addressing the connectivity of this link, particularly during events, will need to be addressed at the detailed design stage.</li> </ul>
<b>Cricket relocation</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oppose cricket club relocation. Key reasons:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tradition/ history</li> <li>- Infrastructure developments and financial contributions to date</li> <li>- Cost of relocation to ratepayers</li> <li>- Ongoing costs to the cricket club once they are relocated</li> <li>- No apparent demand for events</li> </ul> </li> <li>Proposal for extension to the clubhouse if cricket is retained.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The concerns of the submitters which have raised these issues have been considered and acknowledged throughout the master plan development process.</li> <li>The master plan addresses the ongoing clashes which occur on site between the event function and community uses. The master plan aims to give long term direction to the Nambour Showgrounds, so that council and the community can understand the role and the potential of the Nambour Showgrounds.</li> <li>There will be costs associated with the relocation of the cricket club, and these have been included within an implementation plan within the master plan. It is expected that the cricket club will have increased ongoing costs once they are relocated, which will be in line with other cricket clubs operating on the Sunshine Coast.</li> <li>Future management should seek to attract or create new events that have potential local and regional economic benefits.</li> </ul>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The location of an alternative site for cricket needs to be identified.</li> <li>Council responsibility to provide sporting facilities.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council acknowledges that there is a level of uncertainty for the Nambour Cricket Club, as an alternative site has not yet been identified. Seeking an alternative site for cricket uses is an ongoing task for council, as it is recognised that there is a shortage of open space within the Nambour locality. Council will engage with the Nambour Cricket Club once a site has been identified, and work with the club in the transition to a new, suitable facility with similar infrastructure provisions. Given current funding constraints, it is anticipated that this will occur in the medium - long term.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Propose to move equestrian uses at the Showgrounds, and use existing equestrian areas and Crusher Park for major events.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It is considered that the relationship between the Showgrounds and equestrian uses is favourable, particularly with the connection with the Sunshine Coast Agricultural Show. In addition, the Nambour Showgrounds already contains the infrastructure which makes the facility ideal for holding events.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Master plan is inconsistent with the permitted uses of the Reserve.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council has consulted with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines about the recommendations of the master plan. The Department of Natural Resources and Mines had no concerns with the master plan direction or recommendations. Council has also received advice from its Planning Assessment team that additional events occurring at the Showgrounds would not trigger a planning application.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding for cricket relocation needs to be identified.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The master plan has been amended to include an implementation plan which includes estimated costs.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Removal of cricket is a high priority</li> <li>Cricket uses should be relocated within the next two years to help drive economic potential.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The master plan does recommend the relocation of cricket uses, however this will be subject to funding and finding an alternative site for the cricket club. A medium to long term timeframe has been identified to enable adequate planning for land acquisition and development of facilities for cricket.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Nambour Cricket club could be relocated to the Woombye Soccer Club.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This option was investigated by council staff and was found not to be feasible due to land size constraints and tenure issues.</li> </ul>
<p><b>RV parking</b></p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oppose the proposed caravan and camping activities on site.</li> <li>Raises a number of policy and legislative issues.</li> <li>Inconsistent with Council's Local Laws for caravan parks</li> <li>Suggestion Council adopts the Qld Caravan Parks Association "Overflow" policy – only allowing use of showgrounds for RV's when caravan parks are full.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Initial consultation for the master plan did identify RVs as an opportunity which could be introduced at the Showgrounds, which could have benefits for the Nambour township. It is understood that establishing the Nambour Showgrounds as an RV friendly site does have a potential impact on other holiday parks on the Sunshine Coast, and does present a number of logistical matters to be addressed by council. The master plan has been amended so that RVs will only be permitted on site once council has established its policy position and / or made a determination on the suitability of the showgrounds to accommodate RV's given local competition factors. This will ensure a consistent outcome is applied across the region. Such a policy should outline whether RV parking on council controlled land is preferred. If so, the policy or determination should also outline restrictions on length of stay, dumping, restrictions to designated areas, restrictions to self-contained RV vehicles only etc.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Suggestion that RV vehicles could be restricted to one area rather than fragmented.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The logistics of the Nambour Showgrounds becoming an RV friendly site will be finalised once council adopts its policy position or localised determination on this matter.</li> </ul>

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<b>Main Pavilion/New multipurpose facility</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oppose the demolition of Main Pavilion, as this facility could accommodate the Antique Car Club.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A new multipurpose facility is proposed on site, which would have the capacity to accommodate the Antique Car Club if required.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Query future access to upstairs Main Pavilion and whether this may be difficult due to bigger events.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>With the Showgrounds anticipated to become more available for events in the future, the level of access to the Showgrounds for regular users during major events may be affected. Minimising the impact on regular users will be addressed at the operational level.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New building and entry designs to be in keeping with heritage theme.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The master plan has been amended to include a Guiding Principle which addresses the heritage value of the site. The heritage theme of the front entry will need to be addressed at the detailed design stage.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Query re show society office and whether it would be removed. An office must be maintained.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It is considered that the redesign of the front entry to develop a 'green square' will benefit from the relocation of the Show Society office. An office presence for the Show Society will remain on site. This has been clarified within the master plan.</li> <li>The master plan has been amended to clarify that any users displaced will need to be adequately accommodated elsewhere.</li> </ul>
<b>Management</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lease request for Nambour Pony Club at the Showgrounds.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To allow for the Nambour Showgrounds to be more flexibly used in the future, the master plan recommends that no long term leases are provided in the future. Council is willing to work with the Nambour Pony Club in the future to look to improve access to the equestrian facilities located on site.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disagree with recommendation regarding no long term leases.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The master plan aims for the Nambour Showgrounds to be a flexible space in the future. It is considered that flexible licenses will best facilitate this outcome in the future.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concerns re user groups expanding and sectioning off their facilities during events.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This matter is acknowledged and will be addressed as the need arises at the operational level.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retain use of old Caretaker's House for accommodation during show events.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The master plan has not recommended any changes to how the Caretakers House is to be used in the future.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Desire to discuss management rights for the Showgrounds, and the Show Society's involvement in management of the grounds.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultation results indicated that user groups were generally favourable of the current management arrangement of the Showgrounds. The master plan therefore does not propose a change to recommended management structure, other than the realignment internally to fall within a Major Venues unit. Council will continue to consult with, and work alongside the Show Society in the future.</li> </ul>
<b>Heritage</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognition of Native Title and cultural heritage value needed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The master plan has been amended to include a Guiding Principle which addresses the heritage value of the site.</li> <li>Council has consulted with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, which has confirmed that Native Title has been extinguished from the Nambour Showgrounds and that no items of cultural heritage significance have been identified.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New building and entry designs to be in keeping with heritage theme while giving the grounds a modern feel.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The master plan has been amended to include a Guiding Principle which addresses the heritage value of the site.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Address removal of buildings named after significant people.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The master plan has been amended to include a recommendation which ensures that any new building or infrastructure has a dedication to the significant people after whom demolished</li> </ul>

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<b>Traffic management</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Access and traffic management – needs to be adaptable from one event to another.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The master plan has included a number of traffic enhancements. These enhancements allow for the site to be flexibly used from one event to another.</li> <li>A traffic management template has been prepared for the Nambour Showgrounds for use by event organisers.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Access for public transport needs to be provided externally as well as internally for events that use all internal space.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The master plan has been amended to clearly nominate bus drop off zones.</li> </ul>
<b>Other</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Levelling and modifications to areas should not be to detriment of, or create financial burden for existing users.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This matter is acknowledged and will be addressed as the need arises at the operational level.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clear implementation dates are needed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The master plan has been amended to include clear timeframes for delivery, as well as costs for the proposed work.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parking is needed for 800 cars.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The master plan proposes the formalisation of some carparking areas on site. It is anticipated that events will still need use surrounding facilities, such as schools, Crusher Park and the connection with the train station, in order to provide adequate parking for events (depending on the scale of the event).</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Drainage and flood proofing is a high priority.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Drainage improvements are included within the master plan. Further work into addressing drainage issues will be addressed at the detailed design stage.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improved budget to improve facilities.</li> <li>Ensure economic funding and Council support is commensurate of regional importance – feel that the plan is “deliberately narrow”.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An implementation plan has been included within the master plan to provide an indication of the costs to implement the master plan initiatives. Implementation of the master plan is subject to council’s available funding. Funding has been allocated within the 2013/14 financial year, with further implementation funding proposed in ensuing years.</li> <li>The master plan does provide a tool for council, as well as the regular users, to apply for external funding sources. Accessing external funding has the potential to implement the master plan initiatives at a faster rate.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Suggestion that it would be better to move the showgrounds to a larger facility out of town to cater for one regional show with such a development funded by selling the Nambour Showgrounds (valuable real estate).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The majority of the Nambour Showgrounds is owned by the State, which makes this option not practical. Nonetheless, the Nambour Showgrounds is uniquely located in the centre of Nambour, which has been found to have social and economic benefits for the Nambour locality.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retain as major events centre, however there no links to potential demand for major revenue generating events and activities.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A key component of the master plan vision is to develop the showgrounds as an events hub, and to secure new events, and grow existing events.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider amphitheatre design in Green Square.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There is no apparent slope within the proposed green square area to facilitate the development of an amphitheatre. This suggestion is not considered practicable on the ground.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not supportive of additional</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The master plan does not propose additional parking at the</li> </ul>

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on-site parking as a high priority due to availability of off-site parking and fundraising opportunity for the school.	Nambour Showgrounds. The master plan instead proposes to formalise some areas in order for these spaces to be more practicable. It is anticipated that events will still need use surrounding facilities, such as schools, Crusher Park and the connection with the train station, in order to provide parking for events.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Retain old school building as an historical building rather than relocating off site.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The master plan does not recommend the relocation of the Old School Building.</li></ul>

