11.3 Botobolar Community Committee

REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR COMMUNITY TO 20 APRIL 2022 ORDINARY MEETING GOV400098, P1234711

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. receive the report by the Director Community on the Botobolar Community Committee ;
- 2. reinstate the Botobolar Community Committee as a Council Advisory Committee ;
- 3. appoint Cr _____ as the nominated representative on the Botobolar Community Committee ;
- 4. appoint David Sargeant, Mat Lynch, David Swansson, Adam Ellis, Michael Burnicle and Dianne Burnicle to be community representatives on the Botobolar Community Committee ; and
- 5. invite the Rural Fire Service to provide a representative for the Committee.

Executive summary

Council has received representations from former members of the previous Botobolar Community Committee for the Committee to be re-instate. This report seeks Councils support to do so.

Disclosure of Interest

Nil

Detailed report

The Botobolar Community Committee was dissolved in the lead up to the December 2021 local government elections. It was not determined to be re-instated on the formation of the new Council in 2022.

Generally, Council has pursued a framework of encouraging community groups to become incorporated. Additional village subsidy funds are available for those incorporated associations who chose to do so, to assist in acquiring the necessary public liability insurance. The framework encourages this because it provides for a greater sense of ownership and greater flexibility for the community group to manage their affairs as they would like.

Botobolar is a unique situation. There is a small parcel of land of 1901m2 that is in Council's name. This land houses a multi-purpose facility including a community hall and a RFS shed. The land was bequeathed to Council by Mr Jim Lynch of "York Huon" in the 1990's for the benefit of the Botobolar community and as a fire shed.

As with other Advisory Committees, the intent would be to focus on strategic issues rather than operational issues and to hold two meetings per year.

Community Plan implications

Theme	Looking After Our Community
Goal	Vibrant towns and villages
Strategy	Maintain and promote the aesthetic appeal of the towns and villages within the Region

Strategic implications

Council Strategies Community Plan

Council Policies Not applicable

Legislation Local Government Act 1993

Financial implications

There are no material financial considerations with this recommendation.

Associated Risks

Council assets and community events not having appropriate management and governance practices that may include insurance coverage in a risk to both Council and community groups. The Committee's work will be focus on developing a framework for the use of the shed across Council, RFS and the local community.

SIMON JONES DIRECTOR COMMUNITY

1 April 2022

Attachments: Nil

APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION:

BRAD CAM GENERAL MANAGER