# 1. FOWLER STEAM ENGINE (16163) UPDATE

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Link to Strategic Plans CSP – 3.1.4 Ensure preservation and maintenance of the

Shire's heritage buildings, objects and places of interest.

### **Executive Summary**

Mr Tony Walsh of the New England Heritage Traction Club Inc. has provided Council with an update of progress with the restoration of the Fowler Steam Engine which his club has undertaken to restore on Council's behalf. The last update was reported to the July 2018 Council meeting. There is a requirement in the legal agreement that regular updates be provided to Council.

#### Report

Mr Walsh has indicated that progress since the last report has focused on the front of the engine including fixing a badly worn front axle, bearings and perch bracket as well as repairing the steering shaft and rebuilding the steering assembly.

While progress on the project is not as quick as originally intended work on the restoration of the Fowler Engine does continue.

An image of the perch brackets and front axle disassembled from the Fowler Engine can be seen below.



# 1. FOWLER STEAM ENGINE (16163) UPDATE (Cont'd)

### **Financial Implications**

Council will fund the parts needed and the Club will provide all labour free of charge.

### Legal and Regulatory Compliance

A legal agreement was entered into with the New England Heritage Traction Club Inc. which outlines the responsibilities of the Club and Council.

# **Risk Management Issues**

There are no perceived risks at this stage.

#### Internal/External Consultation

My Tony Walsh (New England Heritage Traction Club Inc.), Director Community and Economic Development

#### **Attachments**

- Nil

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the report be noted.

# 2. FLY NEIGHBOURLY POLICY, NARROMINE AERODROME

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Link to Strategic Plans CSP – 2.2.03.02 Update/ Review Aerodrome Strategic

Master Plan

CSP-3.5.05.02 Maintain the Narromine aerodrome facility to meet reasonable user expectations and CASA

requirements within the allocated budget

# **Executive Summary**

This report details the development of a Narromine Aerodrome Fly Neighbourly Policy.

# 2. FLY NEIGHBOURLY POLICY, NARROMINE AERODROME (Cont'd)

# Report

Fly Neighbourly Advice (formerly "Fly Neighbourly Agreement") (FNA) are described by Australia's Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) in the Airspace Risk and Safety Management Manual (2017) as "a voluntary code of practice established between aircraft operators and communities or authorities that have an interest in reducing the disturbance caused by aircraft within a particular area".

Narromine Shire Council recognises that there are many stakeholders on the aerodrome, adjacent to the aerodrome and with businesses that rely on visitation as a result of the aerodrome. The aerodrome is an important economic driver for the Narromine community and will be important to its future growth. This is balanced of course by the development of the residential area particularly to the east of the main runways and in future to the industrial area established to the south of the main runway.

This Fly Neighbourly policy provides a formal balance to the needs of the many stakeholders during events.

The draft policy is attached for consideration (See Attachment No. 1).

### **Financial Implications**

Nil

# **Legal and Regulatory Compliance**

Narromine Shire Council is the owner and operator of the Narromine Aerodrome and as such has overall management responsibility for the operations of the aerodrome.

The Civil Aviation Safety Authority is the Australian national authority for the regulation of civil aviation. It is the government body that regulates Australian aviation safety as well as licencing pilots and registering aircraft.

### **Risk Management Issues**

Continue to reduce risk of noise and inconvenience to neighbours while balancing needs of aviators and those holding events at the aerodrome.

### **Internal/External Consultation**

Initial consultation with known stakeholders of aerodrome. The draft policy will be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days. Council will then consider written submissions.

# 2. FLY NEIGHBOURLY POLICY, NARROMINE AERODROME (Cont'd)

#### **Attachments**

- Narromine Aerodrome Fly Neighbourly Policy

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That draft Narromine Aerodrome Fly Neighbourly Policy be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

#### 3. STRONGER COUNTRY COMMUNITIES FUND

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CSP – 4.3.3- Ensure sufficient resources to meet current and
future needs of the community; 4.3.3.1 Maximise
opportunities for utilising grants to supplement and support
identified Council priorities and projects; 4.3.3.2 Identify
projects suitable for grant applications; 1.1.09.02 Upgrade
to Trangie sporting fields; Promote recreational
opportunities for all ages

#### **Executive Summary**

This report is provided to Council in order to confirm priorities for funding applications to be submitted under the Stronger Country Community Fund Round 3.

#### Report

The third round of the Stronger Country Communities Fund opened on Monday 1 July, with \$50 million available for community projects and \$50 million available for youth-related projects in regional NSW.

Community projects include projects such as local community and sporting infrastructure, street beautification, and community programs and events.

Youth projects are targeted at 12-24 year olds and include projects such as sports programs, creative arts and culture projects, and mentoring and training programs.

Applications are open to regional NSW councils, Joint Organisations, incorporated not-for-profit organisations or other organisations that have a public purpose and carry out activities in regional NSW, including Local Aboriginal Land Councils.

The minimum grant amount is \$50,000 and maximum is \$1 million, however applications above \$1 million require a financial co-contribution of 25%.

# 3. STRONGER COUNTRY COMMUNITIES FUND (Cont'd)

Projects must commence within 12 months of approval and be completed within three years.

The fund is open now and applications close at 5pm Friday 27 September 2019.

The Deputy Premier has confirmed that \$779,478 is available to be applied for from Narromine Shire Council.

# **Suggested Works**

Given the focus on youth projects for this round of Stronger Country Community Funding the following projects are recommended. These projects are in line with recent precinct master planning, strategic planning and asset management.

#### Tomingley

\$20,000 increased contribution towards Tomingley street beautification.

#### Narromine

\$250,000 redevelopment of the Dundas Park Play equipment \$444,000 allocated to the multicourt play area at Cale Oval, includes paving, new netball club amenities, lighting, additional paths. Identified in the Cale Oval Concept Plan.

# Trangie

\$200,000 redevelopment of the Trangie Sporting precinct play equipment, including removal of the hill and additional pathways.

The total project amount is budgeted at \$914,000.

### **Financial Implications**

Income for the project is allocated from:

\$779,478- Stronger Country Community round three \$96,715- Funds allocated to playground upgrades in 19/20 \$37,807- General fund allocation

#### **Legal and Regulatory Compliance**

Council must conduct its tendering processes in accordance with section 55 of the Local Government Act 1993, Part 7 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005 and the Tendering Guidelines issued by the OLG.

#### Risk Management Issues

Council's policy sets out the procedures applying to the acquisition of goods and services by Council in accordance with applicable procurement principles.

# 3. STRONGER COUNTRY COMMUNITIES FUND (Cont'd)

The General Manager has delegated authority to accept all tenders except tenders to provide services currently provided by Council staff in accordance with Section 377 (1)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993.

### **Internal/External Consultation**

The Narromine Shire Community Strategic Plan has set in place a number of priorities in regards to the communities recreations spaces, youth development and sporting precincts.

Extensive consultation was undertaken at the time of the Community Strategic Plan development.

Recent consultation has also been undertaken in relation to the Cale Oval Concept Plan and Trangie Sporting Concept plan. All of this planning has been considered in regards to the recommendation.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council apply for \$779,478 in funding through the Stronger Country Community Fund.

That Council confirm and prioritise the projects to be funded as:

- 1. \$20,000 Tomingley street beautification.
- 2. \$250,000 redevelopment of the Dundas Park Play equipment
- 3. \$444,000 allocated to the multicourt play area at Cale Oval, includes paving, new netball club amenities, lighting, additional paths. Identified in the Cale Oval Concept Plan.
- 4. \$200,000 redevelopment of the Trangie Sporting precinct play equipment, including removal of the hill and additional pathways if required.

Phil Johnston

**Director Community and Economic Development** 



# Fly Neighbourly Policy

Created By	Version No	Date Adopted by Council	Review Period
Director Community and Economic Development	1.0		4 Years

#### **FLY NEIGHBOURLY**

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#### **STAKEHOLDERS**

Narromine Shire Council recognises that there are many stakeholders on the aerodrome, adjacent to the aerodrome and with businesses that rely on visitation as a result of the aerodrome. The aerodrome is an important economic driver for the Narromine community and will be important to its future growth. This is balanced of course by the development of the residential area particularly to the east of the main runways and in future to the industrial area established to the south of the main runway.

This Fly Neighbourly policy attempts to provide a more formal balance between the needs of the many stakeholders during formal events. This policy relates to the operation of powered planes. Elements of this policy **may** be utilised in approving other events if required such as fly ins and other competitions.

### **EVENTS**

Application for use of Narromine Aerodrome for an event is required when there is a reasonable expectation of increased usage from the activity proposed.

The application will include:

- Name of person responsible
- Name of Organisation
- Description of event
- Date of event
- Insurance details
- Risk Management documentation

All applications must be received by Council at least 2 months prior to the event.

All applications for events will be posted on Council's website at the earliest opportunity and members of the public will be able to subscribe to receive electronic advice when there are new postings.

As aviation events are inherently dependant on weather conditions the Aerodrome Manager may make variations to the timing of approved events without the need for further notification.

### **AEROBATIC EVENTS**

The aerodrome will be available for practice of participants during the 5 days prior to the event between the hours of 8.00am and 5.00pm (Winter) or to 6.00pm (Summer, Daylight savings).

Pilots will be required to avoid flying over populated areas where possible and if they must fly over them to do so in a way that reduces noise impact (ie. At lower revs) and with no aerobatic activity to occur above populated areas. (Marked on enclosed map). Aerobatic events may include State and National championships, Aerobatic schools/ master classes, competitions.

#### **AEROBATIC PRACTICE**

Other than for training associated with events being run on the aerodrome aerobatic practice sessions are to be limited to a maximum of four consecutive days per week and generally on non-consecutive weekends between the hours of 8.00am and 5.00pm (Winter) or to 6.00pm (Summer, daylight savings).

Pilots will be required to avoid flying over populated areas where possible and if they must fly over them to do so in a way that reduces noise impact (ie. At lower revs) and with no aerobatic activity to occur above populated areas. (Marked on enclosed map). Note that normal circuit height is 1000 feet above ground level and no turns to be performed below 1000 feet over built up areas.

To co-ordinate aerobatic practice outside events use of the aerodrome by aerobatic aircraft is to be booked with the Aerodrome Manager at least 7 days prior to such use. All bookings for aerobatic operations will be posted on Council's website at the earliest opportunity and members of the public will be able to subscribe to receive electronic advice when there are new postings.

The Aerodrome Manager is able to vary booked use to cater for prevailing weather conditions and other extenuating circumstances. Only one aircraft is permitted to be practising aerobatics over Narromine airfield at any time.

IMPORTANT: Conduct all aircraft operations in accordance with ERSA and CASA regulations. Yellow square marks the approximate Aerobatic Box location. Nearest noise sensitive residence is 250m east of box edge

#### **TIMES**

Generally 8-00am to 5-00pm weekdays (Winter) and 8-00am to 6.00pm (Summer, daylight savings).

#### **TAKE OFF**

Suggested direction to the west on runway 11/29 if prevailing weather conditions permit. Where possible avoid flying into competition area from the south east.

#### PERSON RESPONSIBLE

The person responsible for the event should be nominated. Including best contact details and email. Note that any complaints and correspondence will be sent to person responsible.

#### **COMPLIANCE**

Compliance will be monitored by the Aerodrome Manager. Depending on the nature of non compliance an event can be cancelled, conditions modified or future bookings put in jeopardy.

Note that from time to time reasonable variations to the Policy may need to be put in place. For example to finalise an event or to take into account future known weather. These may be considered and allowed by the Aerodrome Manager on request from the event organiser.

#### **CASA**

5.1 CIVIL AVIATION REGULATION (CAR) 1555.1.1 CAR 155 specifies rules limiting the conduct of aerobatic flight. Aerobatics pilots should be familiar with all the provisions of CAR 155 and the following provides a summary of the main elements of the regulation:

- Aerobatics must only be conducted in visual meteorological conditions (VMC) by day.
- A pilot must not perform aerobatics in aircraft unless the Certificate of Airworthiness (COA) or flight manual for the aircraft specifies that the aircraft can perform aerobatics.
- Straight and steady stalls or turns with not more than 60 degree bank, are not classified as aerobatics.
- Aerobatics must not be conducted below 3000' above terrain or objects on the ground without the written permission of CASA.
- Aerobatics are not permitted over populous areas or public gatherings without the written permission of CASA.
- Before conducting aerobatics, pilots must ensure that:
- There are no loose articles in the aircraft
- All locker and compartment doors are fastened
- Safety harnesses on vacant seats are secured so as not to foul controls
- Dual controls are removed or passengers are briefed not to interfere with the controls and there is adequate communication with the pilot. (See Civil Aviation Regulation (CAR) 226 and Civil Aviation Order (CAO) Section 20.16.3)

All occupants are secured with correctly adjusted safety harnesses.

# **COMPLAINT REGISTER**

A complaints register will be kept with forms available on line. The register will include:

Time	
Receiving person/department	
Name and details of complainant	
Address; • Phone Number	
Nature/description of complaint (with as much detail as possible)	
Identify if further contact required – if yes, forward to Event Representative•	
Action taken and response overview	
Event representative completed	
Method of advice/feedback; • Indication of whether complaint has, or will be, forwarded to CASA; • Date complaint actioned (if required)	
Timing for follow up (if required)	
Outlining how complaint was finalised.	

# **MAP**

The below map highlights the approximate location of the Aerobatic Box and the Location of Skypark residential area. The Box provided is typical of that used in recent times for aerobatic use. It is recognised that it is important that those practising for competitions do so over the competition area.

Note that if practice is unobserved and is for example for body conditioning then this should occur further to the west over vacant farm land.



