

Sport and Recreation Plan

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Shire of

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Shire of Chittering recognises the importance of sport and recreation to the Shire's residents. The Shire and the community play an important role in the provision of sport and recreation opportunities which are part of our social fabric and provide enjoyment and generate community cohesion.

This Plan has been prepared by the Shire of Chittering and follows on from the 2003 - 2008 Shire of Chittering Sport and Recreation Plan developed by the Shire of Chittering Sport and Recreation Development Plan Steering Committee and the Report prepared by Creating Communities Australia Pty Ltd in 2002.

The plan has been developed to establish a ten (10) year plan to help the Shire and the community determine a strategic direction for the future planning, provision and management of sport and recreation. It provides strategies and actions designed to improve the planning and provision of sport and recreation in the Shire of Chittering over the next ten years.

Previous consultation has shown the key factors that will influence sport and recreation development over the next ten years revolve around the development and delivery of support services to clubs, associations and community groups.

Key findings from previous consultation were as follows

- The current population of Chittering is estimated at 4,427 (Australia Bureau of Statistics 2011) and is expected to grow to 9,600 by 2026 with the majority of the growth occurring in the southern part of the Shire.
- The north-eastern metropolitan growth will continue, further narrowing the perceived gap between "country and metro".
- The Shire's population is characterised by a higher than national average proportion of younger people (978 children under 14 years) and older people (1,547 people 50 years plus).
- Future growth will be focused in the southern localities i.e. from Bindoon south.
- The Shire's emerging employment pattern is characterised by an increase in the number of commuters i.e. people commute from the Shire to work in the metropolitan area and vice versa.
- There is a shift from participation in organised sport to a desire to participate in less structured active and passive recreation.
- The Shire is the major provider of sport and recreation facilities.
- The benefits of physical activity from a health and well being perspective are recognised by all levels of government.
- There is a need to develop a shared community vision for sport and recreation.
- Changing work and leisure patterns affect participation rates in sport and recreation and the types of activities undertaken.
- The community is becoming more diverse with changing expectations.
- Community facilities are dispersed and cater for relatively small catchment populations.

- Community hubs or meeting places play an important role in community development.
- Joint use and multi-purpose community facilities provide innovative solutions to local provision challenges.
- The natural environment is an untapped recreation resource that requires sound management practices.
- There is the potential for stronger links between sport and recreation and other aspects of community such as youth, seniors, tourism, education and economic, social and environmental development.
- The Shire alone cannot provide all facilities, services and programs. There is a need to build partnerships and foster innovation and self-management to meet desired outcomes.
- Triggers for change include: proposed Perth-Darwin Highway, public open space acquisition, outdoor recreation and tourism opportunities, Bindoon townsite subdivision, southern region subdivision developments (Maryville, Wandena, Blue Plains Estate, Lake Chittering Heights, Chittering Rise etc) and commercial and industrial developments.

It has been determined that these findings are still current and the Shire has elected to move forward and address the implementation of the Plan.

Sport and recreation opportunities contribute to the health and wellbeing of individuals and communities. Chittering residents should be provided with opportunities to participate and have access to a wide range of sport and recreation activities.

The Sport and Recreation Plan provides a coordinated and strategic approach to sport and recreation facility development and planning based on identified community need and ensures that a range of sport and recreation development, training and funding programs and services are provided to the community.

These programs and services will be aimed at supporting sport and recreation groups with a view to increasing the capacity of these groups to more effectively and efficiently manage their organisations. The plan enables the Council to achieve the following objectives:

- Encourage effective and efficient administration of sport, recreation and community groups.
- Promote opportunities for groups to access funding through various sport and recreation funding programs.
- Facilitate other development opportunities for sport and recreation groups within the Shire.
- Improve the sustainability of sport and recreation organisations by providing greater support to volunteers.

OVERVIEW OF THE SHIRE

The Shire of Chittering southern boundary is located approximately 55kms from Perth CBD and covers an area of some 1,220 square kilometres.

Generally the Southern part of the shire is composed of small rural subdivisions, wineries and some broad acre farming and a small amount of industry including extractive industry, Tronox and The Livestock Centre.

North of Bindoon is generally broad acre farming, with some vines and orchards and extractive industry.

There are three gazetted townships in Chittering, Bindoon (where the Shire offices are located and main shopping area), Muchea to the South of Bindoon and Wannamal to the North. There is also a strong sense of community in the districts of Upper Chittering and Lower Chittering, both south of Bindoon.

The Shire of Chittering borders the Cities of Swan and Wanneroo and Shires of Gingin, Toodyay and Victoria Plains and a large portion of the boundary with the Shire of Toodyay comprises the Julimar Forest Reserve.

The Shire comprises of five localities:

- Bindoon;
- Lower Chittering
- Muchea;
- Chittering; and
- Wannamal.

The town / areas of Wannamal, Muchea, Lower Chittering and Bindoon provide the focus for community life for a predominantly peri-urban population that includes a significant number of absent landowners.

The nearest district service centre is the town of Bullsbrook which is 5 kms from the southern boundary whilst regional service centres are located at the metropolitan cities of Midland and Joondalup approximately 45 minutes drive from the townsite of Bindoon.

Population

Census data of Population and Housing from the Australian Bureau of Statistics 2011 Census records show that the population for Chittering in 2011 was 4,427. It is expected to grow to 9,600 by 2026. The annual (June 2010 to June 2011) population growth rate of 4.9% is significantly above the State average.

Most population growth is occurring in the southern part of the Shire with people choosing a semi-rural lifestyle.

There are approximately 2,738 current rateable lots within the Shire. A further potential 2,612 +/- lots have been identified throughout the Shire but not developed at this stage.

The Shire has the second largest youth population in the Wheatbelt, Northam being the largest. (*Wheatbelt Youth Strategy 2012-2017*) *Regional Development Australia Wheatbelt WA*.

There are a comparatively large number of children aged 0-14 living in the Shire (978 or 22.1% of population) but this figure drops significantly for the 15-29 age bracket (representing 615 or 14% of the population). *Source ABS 2011*.

It appears youth tend to migrate to Perth for education, employment and social opportunities not available within the Shire.

It is anticipated that the recent population growth trends will continue with a strong focus on the southern localities within the Shire.

The northeast metropolitan area will continue to grow, in line with the *Western Australian Planning Commission "Direction 2031 and Beyond Strategic Plan"* and with this growth comes the potential to provide improved transport systems and access to and from the Shire. In particular, Bindoon and areas south will become an even more viable option for people seeking a semi-rural lifestyle whilst still able to access metropolitan employment opportunities. Conversely access to local tourist destinations and services for metropolitan visitors will also be improved.

Over recent years residents purchasing property in Chittering are seeking a semi-rural lifestyle whilst still maintaining an expectation to have access to services and facilities equivalent to the metropolitan area. An ever-increasing number of people are commuting to Perth for work and there is a high level of absent landowners who perhaps are in a transition, gradually relocating from metro to country or establishing a retirement hideaway.

There is an expectation within some sections of the community that Council needs to take on more responsibility with regard to sport and recreation provision to deliver what they may have received from their metro local authority.

The Chittering community resembles a series of communities with differing needs and expectations. The balance between accepting differences whilst endeavoring to build a strong sense of community and belonging is a difficult task.

ROLE OF COUNCIL

The Council, through appropriate resources such as the Shire's Development Services Department, Technical Services Department, Club and Community Development Officer undertakes the following functions in relation to sport and recreation in the Shire of Chittering:

- Identify, understand and respond to the sport and recreation needs of the Shire.
- Ensure that the Council's sport and recreation facilities are well maintained and managed to a high standard.
- Identify opportunities to promote participation in sport and recreation activities.
- Encourage participation by local residents in a diverse range of sport and recreational activities.
- Provide strategic advice in relation to issues affecting the provision of sport and recreation opportunities.
- Create opportunities for partnerships between the Council, other levels of government, the sport and recreation sector and the wider community in the pursuit of high quality sport and recreation outcomes for the Shire of Chittering.
- Advocate and source funds on behalf of the Shire of Chittering for improved sport and recreation services, programs and facilities.
- Build the capacity of sport and recreation clubs in the Shire of Chittering with respect to administration, management and fund raising functions.

ROLE OF THE PLAN

The role of the Shire of Chittering Sport and Recreation Plan is to assist the Council in continuing to provide quality sport and recreation services, programs and facilities to the local community.

This plan will be used in conjunction with other Plans and planning documents including the Strategic Community Plan, Community Development Plan 2014 – 2024 and the Shire of Chittering Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2012 to 2017.

The Sport and Recreation Plan provides recommendations in relation to the following:

- Facility development and planning.
- Coordination and management of community recreation.
- Club development.

PURPOSE OF THE PLAN

The Shire of Chittering Sport and Recreation Plan provides information about the role of the Council in supporting and advocating for the needs of the local community, sporting groups and other community organisations with respect to sport and recreation.

This plan identifies the Council's vision for the delivery of sport and recreation services, programs and facilities in Chittering and the values, principles and objectives that will guide the Shire in this area.

The Council has a leadership role in ensuring that local residents have access to high quality sport and recreation services, programs and facilities and this plan will assist the Council in providing access to a range of sport and recreation opportunities that contribute to the ongoing health and wellbeing of all residents of the Shire of Chittering

VISION

Our vision is for Chittering to be a dynamic, thriving community that values its diverse range of sport and recreation opportunities.

The Chittering community prides itself on its continued strong links with tradition, heritage and its relationship with the land. The role that sport and recreation has played is recognised as being a pivotal element of Chittering's unique lifestyle.

Maintaining these links with tradition and the natural environment form a critical path for the future direction of sport and recreation in the Shire. The range of recreational opportunities provided through the provision of facilities, services and programs will reflect and nurture our vision.

Our vision will be achieved by:

- **Consolidation of current facilities** - The construction of new sport and recreation facilities should be considered as only one of many strategies to achieve community goals. Making the best use of current facilities and facilitating new programs and services should be considered prior to the construction of new facilities.
- **Multi functional and flexible facilities** - Community facilities should be able to meet the changing needs of the community. The components and nature of activities undertaken within the facility should not be limited to sport and recreation. Consideration should be given to other programs and services such as health, youth, child care, library etc. Opportunities to create multi functional and flexible community hubs should be actively encouraged.
- **Working together through partnerships, team work and collaboration** - Community goals can best be achieved by working together and tapping into a broad range of expertise and resources. There are many untapped resources that can be found at a local level that can be harnessed to achieve quality outcomes. The involvement of external organisations, agencies and commercial providers can also prove to be mutually beneficial. Providing an environment that is conducive to identifying and supporting partnerships is critical.
- **Maintaining a holistic approach to planning** - Sport and recreation is not a distinct, stand-alone component of community development. There are many aspects that have strong links to other areas such as tourism, environmental management, education, health, arts, crafts and heritage. Planning should reflect the need to consider the 'whole picture' and avoid isolating one aspect and more importantly look for opportunities to build on great concepts.
- **Being realistic in our endeavours** - Chittering is a relatively small municipality on the fringe of the metropolitan area comprising of five small dispersed communities. It is unrealistic to expect that a comprehensive range of facilities and services can be provided in each of the communities. Understanding the limitations and setting achievable goals will ensure best use of finite resources.

- **Seeking innovative solutions to new challenges** - Maintaining the status quo is not an option available to Chittering. The population growth and proximity to the encroaching metropolitan sprawl will ensure that new challenges will arise in the future. These challenges may become new opportunities if an innovative and proactive approach is undertaken.

CLUB AND ASSOCIATION ISSUES

Clubs create more than just opportunities for people to play sport or participate in a recreational pursuit. They provide a chance for people to get together and find support and friendship from likeminded people. This support is what makes Clubs such an important part of the Community and therefore it is important to make sure that the Shire does what we can to help these clubs develop and grow.

The Shire has appointed a Club and Community Development Officer to create an open line of communication with our Clubs and to assist them in building the capacity of the club by attracting volunteers / members, education, facilitation and communication. The Club and Community Development Officer works very closely with the sporting clubs, holding regular user meetings to ascertain their changing needs

Problems identified through the consultation process with clubs are:

- Many committees are run by long term members of the community and there are fewer young people becoming involved. Long term volunteers are burning out and the sustainability of many clubs is at risk.
- There are no plans in place to guide the future of sport and recreation organisations.
- Very few clubs are budgeting for a profit, they just meet the bottom line every year or dip into cash reserves to survive.
- Most clubs know that grants are available; however, few have members with skills to apply to maximise this income generation option.

Most clubs have indicated that their membership is stable, with the attraction and retention of participants one of their biggest challenges (excluding junior sports) which has grown every year.

Actions Taken

The Club and Community Development Officer has been working with the clubs to encourage them to use the resources on the “Clubs on Line” website provided by the Department of Sport and Recreation. This assists clubs with organisational development, governance and provides templates for clubs to use to improve volunteer membership, committee responsibilities and Healthy Club Checklist.

There has also been improvement on clubs applying for grants where available due to the Shire of Chittering hosting grant writing workshops.

ACTIONS / PROJECTS IDENTIFIED DURING THE CONSULTATION PROCESS

Consultation was conducted in a variety of ways.

Community and club surveys (undertaken in March 2012) and meetings with users of the facilities were the key methods of consultation used and the information and data identified through this method has been used to form the basis of the Facilities Audit 2012 (Appendix 1).

Survey Forms

Club and Community Group survey forms were emailed to the various Progress and Sporting Associations to disseminate to all groups using the facilities they controlled. The forms were also emailed to all contacts on the Shire's Community Groups Contact List and were made available on the website. Fifteen responses were received including those from the Lessors of Council owned facilities and these responses provided a list of all groups and people using their facilities. The results demonstrate that the current facilities are well utilised with some now not meeting the requirements of the community, for various reasons including size, location, lacking in resources etc.

Council, as part of the Integrated Planning Process, sent a survey to each landowner in the Shire seeking their input into the development of their Community Strategic Community Plan. One of the questions was "What priorities should the Shire focus on to maintain and build our future?" Over one hundred and fifty responses were received, with the key themes pertaining to sport and recreation being:

- Provide more sporting and recreational facilities, especially for children / teenagers and young families including early child care centre, youth facilities, schools;
- Aged Services;
- Multi-purpose health facility;
- Halls and heritage buildings need to be restored and maintained;
- Footpaths, cycle, motorcycle and bridle paths;
- Caravan Park;
- Tourist trails;
- Public transport; and
- Playgrounds and other facilities updated to provide services for children and adults with disabilities.

During 2013/14 and 2014/15 the following was achieved:

- Bindoon Town Hall restoration completed by September 2014 as a result of a Lotterywest grant.
- Lower Chittering Hall redecoration of interior including repolishing of floors completed.
- Approximately 12kms of footpaths completed within Chittering.
- Annual playground audits now in place.
- Bindoon townsite Tale Trail and the Carty Reserve walk trail completed.
- Sussex Bend new playground with lighting, picnic area and BBQ completed 2013.
- Adoption of the Chittering Trails Network Master Plan 2012-2023.

Meetings

Council staff met with representatives of each user group using Council owned facilities to discuss services provided, current and future requirements and issues impacting on their club/group.

Maintenance items is one of the key issues identified by the user groups meeting with staff.

Council and staff also undertook a facilities inspection on 4 April 2012 as part of the strategic planning process.

It is acknowledged that all community needs may not have been identified through the consultation process and Council should not rely exclusively on information and data generated for this Plan. Council will need to monitor community needs on a regular basis

Actions taken

Regular User meetings have been held by the Club and Community Development Officer throughout the district (at least every three months) to identify any changes to the sporting and recreational club needs.

A further community and club survey to ascertain key methods of consultation used and information and data identified, will be programmed for March 2015.

ACTION PLAN AND GOALS

The Action Plan and Goals have been identified and prioritised using the Facilities Audit 2012, Appendix 1. The Audit was compiled from the results of the returned surveys, meetings with groups representing each facility identified in the Audit, Council and staff consultation and consultation with the former Midlands Be-Active Coordinator.



Sussex Bend Playground under construction



Muehea Netball Courts

Action

Funding for the Be Active Coordinator will no longer be available after 30 June 2014.

SPORT AND RECREATION ACTION PLAN – PROJECTS FOR IMPLEMENTATION
Facilities

Goal 1: Ensure that facilities support and enhance sport and recreation into the future	Responsibility	Priority	Timeframe	Evaluation	Status
1.1 Prepare 10 year maintenance plan for all facilities. Prepare funding applications for projects identified in the Maintenance Schedule and Building Audits, such as resurfacing of courts and bowling greens.	Building Coordinator CDO / Building Coordinator	High High	1 July 2013 As required	Reviewed annually to ensure budget met 10 Year Maintenance Plan sustained	Completed Bindoon bowling green resurfaced through a DSR/Shire grant in December 2013. A financial contribution from the Bindoon Bowling Club for 1/3 was received.
1.2 Continue to develop facilities as community hubs and promote joint use and shared facilities	CDO	High	Ongoing	_ Club Survey programmed every 3 years.	No longer a DSR requirement.
1.3 Upgrade Chinkabee Complex – extension of the Play Group area & build disabled toilets, storage areas and upgrade power	Building Coordinator	High	30 June 2013 for stage 1, remove power boards, construction of toilets and play group extension	Stage 1 completed 30 June 2013; further stages included in forward financial plan.	Completed

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<p>1.4 Prepare Plan and grant application for the renovation of the Bindoon Hall as per the Conservation Plan Bindoon Hall 2000. Plan is to include disabled access.</p>	<p>Building Coordinator / CDO</p>	<p>High</p>	<p>30 June 2013 Plan completed and Grant application submitted</p>	<p>Grant application successful. Completion of works.</p>	<p>Grant from Lotterywest for \$438,000 for renovations approved. Works commenced in May 2014 and were completed in September 2014.</p>
<p>1.5 Upgrade of Lower Chittering Hall – (; installation of lighting on oval and parking area;; electrical upgrade; air conditioning bar and main hall).</p>	<p>EMDS/ EMCS / Building Coordinator / CDO</p>	<p>High</p>	<p>30 June 2013</p>	<p>Funding approval</p>	<p>Completed however soft-fall under play equipment not deemed necessary.</p>
<p>1.6 Refurbishment of Sandown Park Polocrosse Grounds – irrigate grounds, construction of new toilet/shower block</p>	<p>EMTS / CDO / EMCS</p>	<p>Medium to long term</p>	<p>30 June 2014 (or later depending on Group) work with Polocrosse Association & Pony Club to source CSRRF Grant to complete toilet shower block</p>	<p>Successful application for funding (CSRRF) lodged by Association in conjunction with the Shire</p>	<p>Community Grant to assist with the purchase of an irrigator not irrigation as such, approved in May 2014.</p>

Goal 1: Ensure that facilities support and enhance sport and recreation into the future	Responsibility	Priority	Timeframe	Evaluation	Status
<p>1.7 Prepare or assist with funding requests and applications for installation and upgrading of facilities such as lighting, courts, sheds, toilets, disabled access, playgrounds, skateparks etc as identified by the community in the facility surveys.</p>	CDO	High / Medium	As required	Facilities meet the needs of the community.	<p>Grant application submitted for Bindoon Bowling Club for replacement of synthetic turf and Lower Chittering Cricket Club new practice wicket successful 2013/2014 financial year. This work has now been completed.</p> <p>Application for upgrade to Chinkabee courts and bowling club lighting has been submitted to the DSR for a CSRFF grant. Outcome of this will not be known until end of November 2014.</p>
<p>1.8 Bindoon – investigate the potential of the Gray Road property for use and expanding of the current facilities.</p> <p>Investigate other options.</p>	EMTS / EMCS / EDO / CDO	Medium	<p>By 30 June 2015- Identify the need for a feasibility study;</p> <p>If supported undertake study; community consultation; prepare plans and apply for funding.</p>	<p>Community support</p> <p>Funding approval</p>	Ongoing

Club Sports

Goal 2: Club Sports – Continue processes to address issues confronting sport and recreation organisations through appropriate club development programs and services	Responsibility	Priority	Timeframe	Evaluation	Status
2.1 Continue to support the Shared Midlands Be-Active Coordinator Position.	EMCS / CDO / _	High	Every two years, 1 July 2012 – 30 June 2014	Reviewed annually to ensure objectives and projects are being met	Funding for Be Active Coordinator no longer available from 1 July 2014.
2.2 Continue to support the Club Development Program by facilitating seminars eg, club management, volunteering and insurance issues	CDO / _	High	1 July 2013	Reviewed annually to ensure objectives are being met	Two Professional Development workshops attended yearly.

Community Recreation

Goal 3: Ensure recreation facilities and public open space is made available to meet the needs of the growing community	Responsibility	Priority	Timeframe	Evaluation	Status
3.1 Continue to work with developers to ensure recreational areas and public open space is provided in new development applications	EMDS	High	All new development applications	Outcome of individual applications	Ongoing
3.2 Continue to seek funding to provide new recreation facilities as needed and land identified. Sussex Bend Reserve and Playground Future BMX track at Sussex Bend Reserve	CDO / EDO EMTS	High High	As grants become available 30 June 2013 Approved in 2014-15 budget	Increase in facilities available for community use Community feedback	Ongoing Completed 2013. This facility is well utilised and attractively landscaped with lighting, picnic area and BBQ.
3.3 Undertake a Sport and Recreation Feasibility Study for the establishment of two major recreation facilities in Bindoon and Maryville. When property is released by the Developers for Stage 11 of Maryville Downs, develop a plan for Community Facilities on the land and seek funding opportunities.	EDO EMDS / CDO / EDO	High Medium	30 June 2014 When land is released.	Need for each centre determined. Facilities provided for the Maryville / Lower Chittering area to meet the needs of the growing community	Budget allocation made for 2014/15 for Lower Chittering feasibility study. 10 hectare site has been released to Council 2014/15.

Goal 3: Ensure recreation facilities and public open space is made available to meet the needs of the growing community	Responsibility	Priority	Timeframe	Evaluation	Status
<p>3.4 Establishment of a new community gym in Bindoon.</p>	<p>CDO / EMTS</p>	<p>High</p>	<p>Community Survey by 14 September 2012</p> <p>Report to Council by February 2013</p> <p>Depending on community and Council support - preparation and submission of grant application 30 June 2013</p> <p>Completion of project by 30 June 2014</p>	<p>Community feedback</p> <p>Council support</p> <p>Grant application approved / rejected</p> <p>Community feedback</p> <p>Facility usage statistics</p>	<p>Survey undertaken in 2013 with 60% preferring an indoor gym facility.</p> <p>Completed.</p> <p>There is no Grant funding for gym equipment available.</p> <p>Further investigation in 2014/15 for possible venue.</p>

SHIRE OF CHITTERING SPORTS AND RECREATION FACILITIES AUDIT AS AT 2012						
DISTRICT	FACILITY	SHIRE OWNED / OTHER	IDENTIFIED NEEDS - NEXT TEN YEARS	Approx Cost \$	FUNDING BODY	STATUS
	Bindoon Theatre Group					
	Arts Group					
	Computer Club					
	Meetings, Functions & Events					
	Annual Wildflower Show					
	Annual Agricultural Show	Also has own shed on Shire land at oval				
	Bindoon Sing Australia					
	Bindoon Outdoor Gym Group	Shire	Outdoor (\$45,800) / indoor gym (\$84,200)	\$130,000	Dependant on Grant funding	Originally this was included in audit as a result of requests received from the public for an outdoor gym in 2012. A Further survey was achieved on community needs in 2013 for outdoor or indoor gym. 60% preferred an indoor gym. No grant funding available for equipment.
	Chittering Bindoon CWA	Leases own room from the Shire				

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DISTRICT	FACILITY	SHIRE OWNED / OTHER	IDENTIFIED NEEDS - NEXT TEN YEARS	Approx Cost \$	FUNDING BODY	STATUS	
	Chinkabee Complex - Leased to the Bindoon Sport & Recreation Ass – Sporting clubrooms, kitchen, toilets, meeting room, airconditioning, bowling green (synthetic), basketball courts, netball courts, tennis courts, oval, and cricket pitch. Playgroup has own area – airconditioner, kitchen area	Shire owned				Shire, Community Group and Grant Funding	The Bindoon oval was removed from the Bindoon Sport & Recreation Association lease and the Shire resumed responsibility on 1 July 2014.
	Bindoon Sport & Rec Association		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disabled access / toilets and extension for Playgroup extra activity room and storage and electrical upgrade CCTV Playground soft fall replacement Playground replacement shade sail 	\$165,604 \$ 30,000 \$ 10,000 \$ 50,000	Shire, Community Group and Grant Funding	Extension completed May 2013 from grant funding. Grant application for CCTV's lodged October 2014. Not considered necessary as sand is working fine at this stage.	

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DISTRICT	FACILITY	SHIRE OWNED / OTHER	IDENTIFIED NEEDS - NEXT TEN YEARS	Approx Cost \$	FUNDING BODY	STATUS
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 Year Maintenance Plan 	\$ 4,500		
	Bindoon & Districts Bowling Club		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Electrical upgrade; Synthetic surface needs replacing now and ongoing budget for resurfacing of green; Upgrade lighting Upgrade to premises - additional rooms needed. 	\$100,000 Club	Shire, Community Group and Grant Funding	Electrical and lighting upgrade to courts and bowling greens has been included in CSRFF grant application, outcome known end of November 2014. CSRFF grant for replacement of artificial turf to bowling greens successful in 2013. Work Completed in January 2014.
	Bindoon Basketball Association		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flood lighting Lighting upgrade Resurfacing of courts 	See tennis courts	Shire, Community Group and Grant Funding	Subject to CSRFF grant approval November 2014. If successful programmed for January 2015.
	Bindoon Cricket Club		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget for pitch resurface in 10 Year Maintenance Plan 	\$ 10,000	Shire, Community Group and Grant Funding	Subject to budget approvals in 2015/16.
	Bindoon Netball Club		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flood lighting 		Shire,	Subject to CSRFF grant

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DISTRICT	FACILITY	SHIRE OWNED / OTHER	IDENTIFIED NEEDS - NEXT TEN YEARS	Approx Cost \$	FUNDING BODY	STATUS
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lighting upgrade Resurfacing of courts – 10 Year Maintenance Plan (see tennis court) 		Community Group and Grant Funding	approval November 2014. If successful programmed for January 2015.
	Bindoon Tennis Club		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget for resurfacing of courts – include in 10 Year Maintenance Plan 	\$120,000	Shire, Community Group and Grant Funding	
	Bindoon Chittering Retirees – indoor bowls					Not been requested at any Chinkabee User meetings.
	Bindoon Playgroup		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extension for extra activity room and storage 	See Bindoon Sport & Rec	Grant funding	Completed when extension done in May 2013.
	CWA – Playing cards					
	Darts					
	Hiring for events – TAFE, meetings etc					
	Brockman Centre - Museum & Old Roads Board leased by Bindoon & Districts Historical Society/Arts &	Shire owned				Peppercorn lease in place.

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DISTRICT	FACILITY	SHIRE OWNED / OTHER	IDENTIFIED NEEDS - NEXT TEN YEARS	Approx Cost \$	FUNDING BODY	STATUS
	Crafts lease the house & depot shed					
	Bindoon & Districts Historical Society		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Men's Shed Disabled toilet / access Window treatments (ORB) Maintenance schedule 	\$100,000 \$ 3,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grant Shire / grant funding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bindoon Men's Shed is expected to be completed by December 2014. Lotterywest grant funding.
	Old Roads Board Building Museum		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Painting 	\$ 11,980	Grant funding	
	Bindoon Arts & Crafts		Disabled access / ramps to buildings	Completed	Shire / grant funding	Completed 2013/14
	Clune Park	Shire owned	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replace Bbq New drinking fountain Upgrade to playground equipment / skate park as required inc: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soft fall rubber to play equip for disable access Replace shade sail Upgrade CCTV for black spots 	\$ 6,000 \$ 2,500 \$ 15,000 \$ 75,000 \$ 9,000	Shire and grant funding	Replacement BBQ 2014/15 budget CCTV upgrade subject to grant application approval, lodged October 2014.

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DISTRICT	FACILITY	SHIRE OWNED / OTHER	IDENTIFIED NEEDS - NEXT TEN YEARS	Approx Cost \$	FUNDING BODY	STATUS
				\$ 7,000		
	BMX Track Bindoon	Shire owned				
	Edmonds Place Reserve	Shire owned				
	Lot 979 Reserve	Shire owned				
	Blackboy Ridge	Shire owned				
	Bindoon Country Club POS	Shire owned				
	Other	Shire owned				
	Bindoon Pony Club	Catholic Agricultural College				
	Chittering Riding Club	Catholic Agricultural College	Own riding area Set-up	To be determined	Shire – land Group and Grant Funding	
	Little Athletics	Bindoon Primary School	Investigate suitable location if required		Grant funding	
	Investigate new recreation facilities to meet the needs of the growing population in Bindoon.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shire owned property - Gray Road, Bindoon; or Purchase of land surrounding existing facilities in Bindoon; or Upgrade current 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate and plan Recreation Centre (netball, basketball etc) and move oval (cricket & football), show ground facilities and lawn bowls to Gray Road property 	\$6,015,000	Shire / grant funding	
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community 			

SHIRE OF CHITTERING SPORTS AND RECREATION FACILITIES AUDIT AS AT 2012						
DISTRICT	FACILITY	SHIRE OWNED / OTHER	IDENTIFIED NEEDS - NEXT TEN YEARS	Approx Cost \$	FUNDING BODY	STATUS
			Consultation and if supported, prepare plans and apply for funding.			
Muchea	Sandown Park - Leased by South Midlands Polocrosse Association – polocrosse grounds, pony club arena, clubrooms and old ablution facility	Shire owned				
	South Midlands Polocrosse		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reticulated playing fields • New ablution / shower facilities • New yards • Maintenance schedule 	\$105,741 \$200,000 \$ 30,000	Shire, community groups and grant funding	Ongoing South Midlands Polocrosse installed temporary ablution block
	South Midlands Pony Club					
	Muchea Playgroup					
	John Glenn Park	Shire owned	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrade to skate park • Shade sail replacement • Replace bbqs 	\$ 50,000 \$ 18,000 \$ 9,000	Shire and grant funding	
	BMX Track Muchea	Shire owned				
	Muchea Hall - managed by the Shire – Kitchen, ablutions, clubrooms, hall,	Shire owned	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintenance schedule • Kitchen and hall needs 	\$ 43,860	Shire, community	Upgrade of kitchen completed 2014.

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DISTRICT	FACILITY	SHIRE OWNED / OTHER	IDENTIFIED NEEDS - NEXT TEN YEARS	Approx Cost \$	FUNDING BODY	STATUS
	netball courts, oval, cricket pitch and football poles Seats 180 people.		to be upgraded, Clubroom windows need window treatment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sand and seal floors • Upgrade & increase parking areas to take vehicles and people off road • Replace shade sail • Install fencing around oval • Storage room for Judo and hall equipment • CCTV for car park • Disable access to ovals 	\$ 20,000 \$ 60,000 \$ 4,000 \$ 30,000 \$ 12,000 \$ 5,000 \$ 30,000	groups and grant funding	
	Chittering Junior Football Club					
	Muchea Senior Cricket Club		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resurface cricket pitch; • New cricket pitch on the oval, include in the 10 Year Maintenance Plan; 	\$ 3,200 \$ 12,000	Shire, Community Group and grant funding	

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DISTRICT	FACILITY	SHIRE OWNED / OTHER	IDENTIFIED NEEDS - NEXT TEN YEARS	Approx Cost \$	FUNDING BODY	STATUS
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replace carpet to practice net. 	\$ 4,500		
	Muchea Junior Cricket Club					
	Muchea Judo Association					Storage room budget in 2014/15.
	Muchea Netball Club		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan for re-surfacing of the netball courts Maintenance every three years \$9,044 	\$ 84,240 \$ 9,044	Shire, community group, grants if available	
	Zumba Dance Group					
	Muchea Badminton		Investigate size required and if sufficient organise court		Shire and community group	
Upper / Lower Chittering	Lower Chittering Hall -- kitchen, hall, shed, oval, cricket pitch, tennis courts. Seats 250 people.	Shire owned				New practise cricket wicket completed 2014 from CSRFF grant funding
	Chittering Valley Progress Assoc		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upgrade hall and facilities to meet the needs of the growing community Replace shade sail to playground 	\$168,157 \$ 5,000	Shire, community group and grant funding	Completed including varnished floors in 2014.

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DISTRICT	FACILITY	SHIRE OWNED / OTHER	IDENTIFIED NEEDS - NEXT TEN YEARS	Approx Cost \$	FUNDING BODY	STATUS
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sand and seal floors Maintenance schedule 	\$ 20,000		
	Lower Chittering Cricket Club		Install lighting around oval	\$ 3,000 / pole	Shire, community group, grant funding	Completed 2012
	Zumba					
	Scouts					
	Tennis Courts		Tennis courts to be relocated as not viable to resurface existing courts due to poorly constructed base	\$120,000	Shire, community group and grant funding	
	Football		oval too small to play football		Shire, community group and grant funding	
	Playgrounds in southern part of the Shire		Suitable locations to be identified, plan developed, funding sourced		Shire and grant funding	New playground installed at Sussex Bend 2013
	Combined community / recreation facilities in southern part of the Shire		Once land is released, develop plan and seek funding	\$4,000,000	Shire / grant funding	

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DISTRICT	FACILITY	SHIRE OWNED / OTHER	IDENTIFIED NEEDS - NEXT TEN YEARS	Approx Cost \$	FUNDING BODY	STATUS
	Sussex Bend POS	Shire owned	Currently being developed	\$244,433	Shire / grant funding	Completed 2013. This facility is well utilised and attractively landscaped with lighting, picnic area and BBQ.
	Chittering Rise POS	Shire owned				
	Wandena POS	Shire owned				
	Santa Gertrudis POS	Shire owned				
	Blue Plains – Hidden Valley POS	Shire owned				
	Lake Chittering Heights POS	Shire owned				
	Chittering Springs POS	Shire owned				
Wannamal	Wannamal Community Centre – land is leased by the Wannamal Community Centre Inc – Hall, meeting room, kitchen, patio, ablutions, tennis courts, synthetic bowling green. Seats 200 people.					
	Wannamal Community Group Incorporated		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electrical Upgrade • Playground soft fall • Repair Wall 	\$ 39,484 \$ 10,880 \$ 3,811		

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DISTRICT	FACILITY	SHIRE OWNED / OTHER	IDENTIFIED NEEDS - NEXT TEN YEARS	Approx Cost \$	FUNDING BODY	STATUS
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Floor tiling and disability access Upgrade existing bore Develop 10 Year Maint Plan 	\$ 9,550 \$ 9,025 \$ 5,000		
	Koorunga CWA					
	Wannamal Tennis Club		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> More seating and shade Upgrade fencing Resurface courts 	\$ 50,000 \$ 30,000 \$130,000	Shire / community group CSRRF Grant	
	Wannamal Bowling Club		Budget for resurfacing of court in 10 Year Maintenance Plan	\$30,260	Shire, community group and grants if available	
Other	Community / Rec Centres; playgrounds; skate parks etc		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify locations to meet the needs of the increasing subdivisions; develop plan; investigate funding opportunities 		Shire and grant funding	

APPENDIX 2 – CHITTERING TRAILS NETWORK MASTER PLAN 2013-2023

The *Chittering Trails Network Master Plan 2013-2023*, adopted by Council in December 2012 (available on the Shire's website), has also been linked to the Shire of Chittering Sport and Recreation Plan 2012-2022 as walking trails are considered recreation facilities.

Extracts from the Chittering Trails Network Master Plan 2013-2023:

Page 6 – Objective "Recreation – the network will be promoted as an additional component to the range of low cost recreational opportunities within the Shire"

Page 7 – Definition of Trail - "...any corridor, route or pathway which has as its primary land usage any one of - or combination of - recreational walking, mountain biking or horse riding - and which passes through or has a strong connection to the natural environment."

Page 7 – The Role of Trails - it is recognised by a range of agencies including tourism operators, local government authorities and health organisations that recreation trails perform a number of highly beneficial roles in the broader community:

- Provision of low-cost unstructured passive recreation for residents and visitors;
- Enablement of users to gain fitness, in turn fostering general well-being;
- Attraction of visitors when marketed well;
- Instillation of a positive conservation ethic; and
- A means of education, especially when good interpretation is a feature of the trail.



Blackboy Ridge Walk Trail

The (proposed) Shire of Chittering Sport and Recreation Plan 2012-2022 highlights the following relevant key findings from previous consultation;

- There is a shift from participation in organised sport to a desire to participate in less structured active and passive recreation;
- The natural environment is an untapped recreation resource that requires sound management practices.
- There is the potential for stronger links between sport and recreation and other aspects of the community such as youth, seniors, tourism, education and economic, social and environmental development.

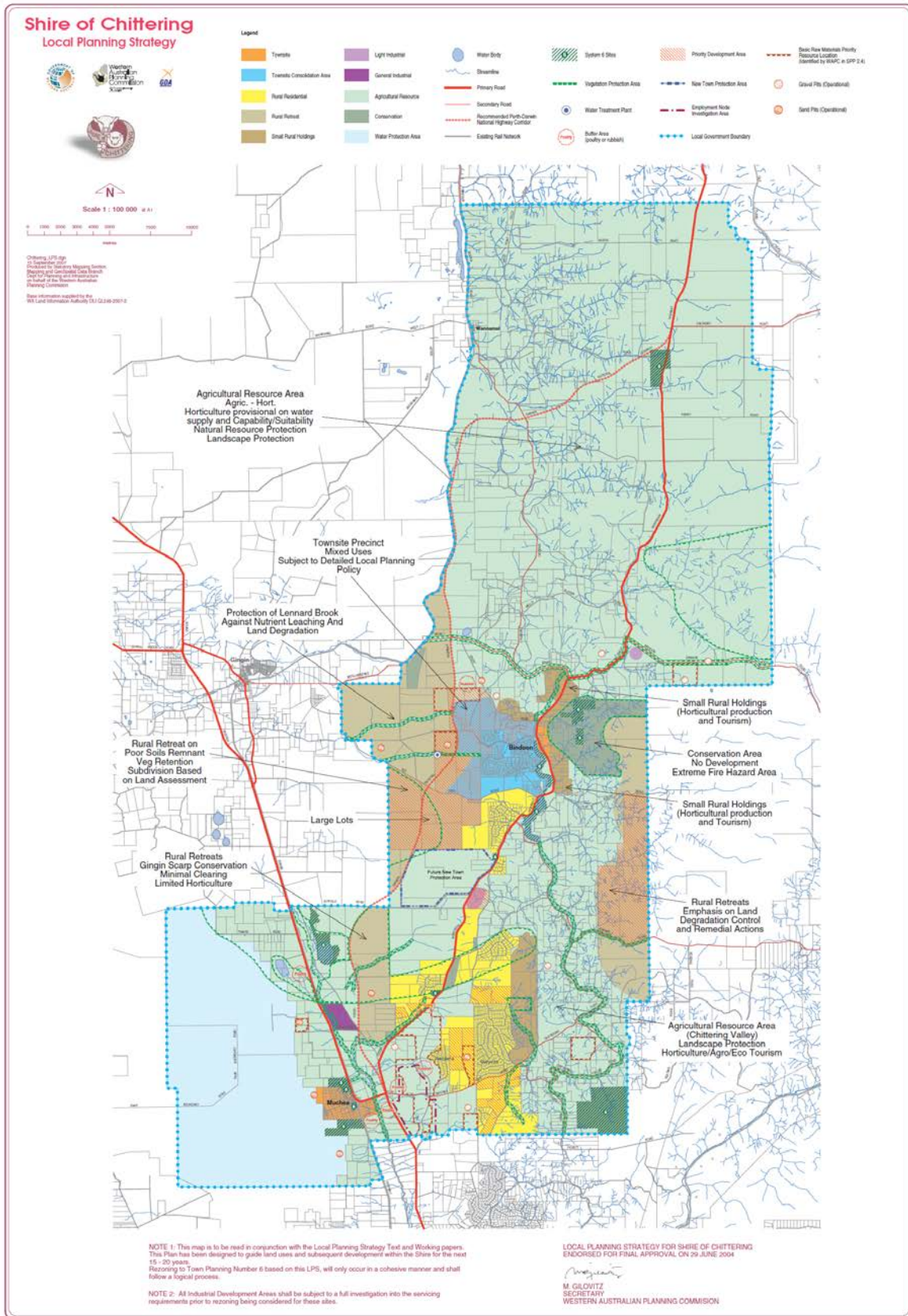
- A community requirement for; footpaths, cycle paths, motorcycle tracks, bridle paths and tourist trails.

Action taken

- The Chittering Trails Network Master Plan 2013-2023 was reviewed in April 2014
- Bindoon Townsite Heritage Walk (renamed Tale Trail) completed
- Blackboy Ridge walk trail programmed for 2016/17
- Carty Reserve walk trail completed
- Mountain Bike Trail Plan (linked to Local Dual Use Bike Plan) underway 2014/15
- Wannamal Heritage Trail (enhancement) programmed for 2016/17
- Chit Chat Trail notes complete
- Bridle Trails research underway



APPENDIX 2 – SHIRE MAP



APPENDIX 3 – REFERENCES

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