

# Placemaking Program – Noojee Project Shortlist

# **Project List:**

# 1. Expand BBQ facilities

Indicative cost: \$45,000

Installation of an additional electric BBQ (with two plates) in BBQ area adjacent to the La Trobe River. As the BBQs are electric, an accompanying shelter structure will need to be constructed to protect the BBQ and provide shade to its users. A new BBQ unit costs approximately \$15,000 and shelter \$20,000. If the existing shelter can be utilised for this purpose, the indicative project cost could be reduced. Additional costs are for installation and associated building permits.

# This project involves:

- Approval from the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP)
- Design for the shelter and BBQ
- Building permit for the shelter structure (including post construction inspection)
- Connection to electrical services
- Concrete foundation
- Construction of shelter



Photograph 1 Example of BBQ facilities and shelter

#### 2. Tables and seating along walks and trails

Indicative cost: \$28,000

This project involves constructing a shelter, tables and seating at various locations as decided by the community. Picnic settings (table and benches) are estimated to cost approximately \$4,000 and seating \$2,500. This option's cost includes the provision of 2 picnic settings and 8 seats. This may be revised depending on community feedback.

The remaining funds would be used to install seating along the walks and trails in Noojee.

#### 3. Outdoor gym/fitness circuit

Indicative cost: \$40,000

Installation of outdoor gym equipment at a location to be determined. The equipment would be like the ones installed at Jindivick's Kydd Parke Reserve. Bases for the equipment are estimated to cost approximately \$20,000. The remaining funds will be used to purchase and install various pieces of gym equipment.

# This project involves:

- Construction of concrete base including installation of softfall material
- Installation of fitness equipment and associated signs



Photograph 2 Outdoor gym equipment at Kydd Parke Reserve, Jindivick

# 4. Bollards or roadside marker posts on the gravel path between the pub and town

Indicative cost: \$20,000

There is currently an existing gravel path between the pub and the town along Mt Baw Baw Tourist Road (Vic Roads). Total length is approximately 190m.

To undertake construction of a concrete footpath at this location the following is required:

- Approximately 120m of new kerb and channel
- Drainage pits and pipes to divert water off the road
- · Retaining walls with handrails where required

Constructing a concrete footpath is not achievable with the \$50,000 budget but in order to improve pedestrian safety of people using the existing gravel path, there is potential to install bollards or roadside marker posts behind the kerb line.

Bollards would be required for a 100m section with bollard spacing of 1.2m. A total of 84 wooden bollards are required which would match the bollards in front of the water wheel walk entrance. At approximately \$200 per bollard, this project could cost \$20,000. VicRoads approval would be required prior to the installation of any post system.

#### 5. Wayfinding signage to Noojee's walks and trails

Indicative cost: \$30,000

Similar to newly installed Walhalla wayfinding signage, this project would provide large map signs, 'park & walk' signs for specific locations and fingerboard signage throughout Noojee to direct people to and provide information on the walks and trails. One map sign would be located at the existing BBQ area and another one would be located at the Noojee Heritage Centre. As a provisional (depending on community agreement), a new large map sign will be installed at the waterwheel entrance.

This option includes a directional sign at the intersection of Bennett Street and Mt Baw Baw Tourist Road to direct vehicles to either the BBQ area or Heritage Centre.

Design is estimated to be \$10,000 and supply and installation of signs will be approximately \$20,000. This estimate is for up to three map signs, two 'park & walk' signs and seven fingerboard signs (quantities will be adjusted as required).



Photograph 3 Example of map sign in Walhalla

# 6. Heritage signage along the main street

Indicative cost: \$20,000

Heritage signage showcasing past photographs and historical information may be placed at significant locations as agreed by the community. Each sign could cost ~\$3,000 to supply and install.



Photograph 4 Example of historical signage from Palmerston St, Warragul

# 7. Signage audit including rationalisation and renewal

Indicative cost: \$15,000

Dependent on the extent of focus for the signage audit undertaken by Council officers. Each road or street sign would cost ~\$250 each to purchase and install. New street signs would include house numbering to assist emergency services. Where required, redundant signage would be removed.

### 8. Central car park

Indicative cost: \$50,000

Potential location at the tennis courts (approximate area of 270m<sup>2</sup>). Note that the extent of this project will be dependent on the existing condition of the gravel car park in relation to drainage and existing material.

#### Works would involve:

- Preparation of base material
- Shaping base and preparation for sealing
- Asphalt seal
- Information signage showing locations of points of interest



Photograph 5 Potential location for central car park

# Projects that could not be achieved through the Placemaking Program:

#### Noojee Library maintenance handover to Hall Committee

The building is owned by DELWP and currently maintained by Council. Through discussions with Council's facilities management officer, this is something that could be done independently from the Placemaking Program.

## Advertising signage or banners for the market

There is possibility for additional signage and banners for the market to be funded through other community grant type funds that are provided by Council.

#### Community event (i.e. bush dance or skills exchange)

This project was not deemed suitable for the Placemaking Program as it does not deliver physical infrastructure for the community to utilise throughout all times of the year. A community led event with potential funding through Council's community grants may be possible.

#### Contact us

If you have any queries about the Placemaking Program and survey, please send them through to connectingcommunities@bawbawshire.vic.gov.au or call 03 5624 2411 and ask for Matthew Robinson.