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LAKE CENTENARY CROWN RESERVE PLAN OF MANAGEMENT

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Plan of Management for Crown Reserve No. 97212,

Being a reserve for Public Recreation

420 Goldfields Way, Temora NSW

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1. Introduction

Lake Centenary is a man-made recreational water facility that opened to the public in 1982. The lake and associated parklands are approximately 55 hectares in size with the water surface of the lake covering approximately 22.5 hectares.

The land was originally part of the Reserve for Experimental Farm gazetted on 24 April 1912. Bill Speirs in his book 'The Wind in Lonely Places', describes that land as 'good agricultural land, centrally located..., with a good water supply at the Grecian Bend in the Trigalong Creek...'. When the community and Council together pressed for the establishment of a recreational lake, the Temora and District Lake Development Committee was formed to pursue funding opportunities through the New South Wales Department of Sport and Recreation.

Today, Lake Centenary is constructed upon Crown Reserve No. 97212, a reserve for Public Recreation, to which the Council of the Shire of Temora was appointed the sole trustee in the NSW Government Gazette on 6 April 1984. In accordance with the Crown Land Management Act 2016, Temora Shire Council has been appointed the Crown land manager and is required by this legislation to adopt a plan of management, using the framework for community land under the Local Government Act 1993.

The purpose of this Plan of Management is to meet the statutory requirements of the Crown Land Management Act 2016 that protects the current and future use of the Crown Reserve to ensure it continues to be used and developed consistent with its original reservation purpose of Public Recreation; and to develop a framework for the future management, use and development in consultation with the community.

1.1 Council objectives

Lake Centenary contributes significantly to the wellbeing and recreational needs of the community as well as contributing to the economic fortunes of local businesses through tourism and visitation. As a consequence, Temora Shire Council allocates appropriate funds in its annual operating budget to maintain and develop Lake Centenary in accordance with the objectives of its strategic community plan.

As part of this strategic community plan, Council has identified the development and use of Lake Centenary 'as a premier water sports facility' and its contribution towards:

- retaining a quality of life for the community by:
 - providing a safe and supportive living environment for residents and
 - enabling Council to provide the services required for excellent liveability in a rural community,thereby enabling Council to:
- engage and support the community through:
 - the provision of sport facilities that are well maintained, planned and meet the expectations of the community.

Temora Shire Council's Asset Management Plan sets out how Council intends to operate and maintain Lake Centenary to achieve the following strategic objectives:

1. maintain Lake Centenary, its buildings and facilities to a safe and functional standard
2. ensure capital renewal funding is maintained and completed on time
3. ensure capital upgrade funding is available through Council's 20-year management plan for its parks, gardens, sporting fields and buildings
4. ensure an efficient use of Council resources to contribute to the improvement of the asset and
5. ensure maintenance and presentation standards results in the reduction of complaints about the asset.

The main purpose of this Plan of Management is to provide the community and other stakeholders with a set of management guidelines and permissible uses for Lake Centenary that is consistent with its reservation for Public Recreation, meets the requirements of the Crown Land Management Act 2016 and the Local Government Act 1993 and is consistent with Temora Shire Council's Local Environmental Plan 2010.

1.2 Land to which this plan applies

This Plan of Management applies specifically to Crown Reserve No. 97212 for Public Recreation, known as Lake Centenary, made up of Lots 1211 and 1212 in Deposited Plan 45494. These parcels of land total approximately 55 hectares and front Goldenfields Way, approximately 4.5 kilometres north of Temora town centre. The land is located in the Temora Shire Council Local Government Area in New South Wales and within the State electorate of Cootamundra.



Figure 1: Aerial image of the boundary of Lake Centenary Crown Reserve

Address	Legal Description	Locality Description
420 Goldenfields Way, Temora NSW 2666	Crown Reserve No. 97212 for Public Recreation being Lots 1211 and 1212 in Deposited Plan 45494, known as Lake Centenary	Approximately 55 hectares fronting Goldenfields Way upon which a man-made lake of approximately 22 hectares is established. The site is linked to the town centre by Goldenfields Way and a pedestrian friendly footpath of approximately 4 kilometres in length.

1.3 Owner of the land

The land is owned by the Crown and is managed by Temora Shire Council as Crown Land Manager under the Crown Land Management Act 2016.

1.4 Categorisation of the reserve

In accordance with the Crown Land Management Act 2016, Temora Shire Council was required to categorise Crown Reserve No. 97212, known as Lake Centenary as if it were community land under the Local Government Act 1993. Council adopted the category of Park being the most closely aligned category to the original reserve purpose and reflecting the current development and use of the park for recreational purposes. The category of Park applies to the whole of Crown Reserve No. 97212.

2. Relevant legislation, policies and procedures

2.1 Local Government Act 1993

The Local Government Act 1993 requires that community land be categorised as; natural area, park, sportsground, area of cultural significance, or general community use.

The Local Government Act 1993 (the Act) requires a Plan of Management to be prepared for all public land that is classified as 'community' land under that Act.

A Plan of Management (PoM) is an important management tool, which is developed by council in consultation with the community. A PoM outlines the land's features, and clarifies how Council will manage, use or develop the land in the future. A PoM provides a transparent and co-ordinated approach to public land management.

Community land may include a wide variety of properties, ranging from small recreation reserves to iconic parks, and in some instances buildings.

Community land supports important aspects of community life, and is valued and appreciated by residents, workers, and visitors to the Temora Shire Local Government Area.

A PoM can be prepared for more than one parcel of land (Generic or Geographic) or for a single property (Significant or Specific).

In developing this Plan of Management, Temora Shire Council as the Crown Land Manager, is required under the Crown Land Management Act 2016, to consider the categorisation of the land in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993. The category chosen that best reflected the initial reservation purpose of the land, the current use of the reserve and community expectations was park.

Under the legislation, the core objectives for management of community land categorised as a park are:

- a) to encourage, promote and facilitate recreational, cultural, social and educational pastimes and activities, and
- b) to provide for passive recreational activities or pastimes and for the casual playing of games, and
- c) to improve the land in such a way as to promote and facilitate its use to achieve the other core objectives for its management.

2.2 Crown Land Management Act 2016

The Crown Land Management Act 2016 authorises councils to classify and manage its dedicated or reserved Crown land as if it were public land within the meaning of the Local Government Act 1993.

The purpose of this Plan of Management is to address the relevant statutory requirement of the Crown Land Management Act 2016. The principles of Crown land management are:

- a) that environmental protection principles be observed in relation to the management and administration of Crown land, and
- b) that the natural resources of Crown land (including water, soil, flora, fauna and scenic quality) be conserved wherever possible, and
- c) that public use and enjoyment of appropriate Crown land be encouraged, and
- d) that, where appropriate, multiple use of Crown land be encouraged, and
- e) that, where appropriate, Crown land should be used and managed in such a way that both the land and its resources are sustained in perpetuity, and
- f) that Crown land be occupied, used, sold, leased, licenses or otherwise dealt with in the best interest of the State consistent with the above principles.

With the above principles in mind, this Plan of Management aims to establish the objectives and performance targets for Lake Centenary while promoting its active land management and use in accordance with the purpose of its reservation as public recreation.

2.3 Native Title Act 1993 (Commonwealth).

The council-managed Crown land in question is not 'excluded land' (as defined by the CLM Act), therefore a Council must assume that native title exists. Council's Native Title Manager will provide advice on the validity of activities under the PoM in line with the NT Act.

2.4 Other relevant legislation and statutory controls

In addition to the Crown Land Management Act 2016 and the Local Government Act 1993, the management and use of Lake Centenary must comply with all applicable planning controls under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. Future development that may be approved by the Crown Land Manager under this Plan of Management will be subject to the Temora Local

Environmental Plan (LEP) 2010 and the Temora Shire Development Control Plan 2012 and any relevant environmental planning instruments and planning policies that may in future apply to the land.

Lake Centenary is subject to the provision of the Temora Local Environmental Plan 2010 and is zoned W2 Recreational Waterways.

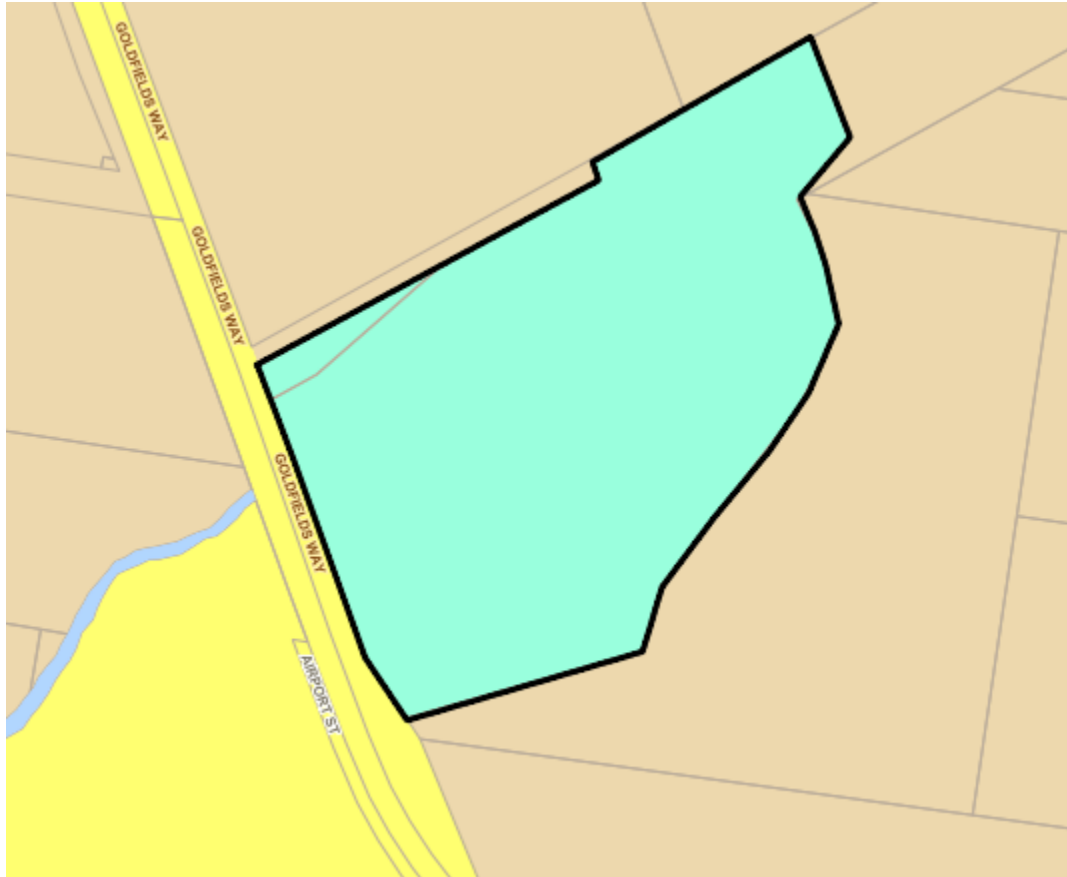


Figure 2: Lake Centenary Temora LEP 2010 zoning map

The objectives of the W2 Recreational Waterways zone area are as follows:

- To protect the ecological, scenic and recreation values of recreational waterways;
- To allow for water-based recreation and related uses;
- To provide for sustainable fishing industries and recreational fishing;
- To encourage and promote the ecologically sustainable management of Lake Centenary.

Development that may be permitted without consent include:

- Nil

Development that may be permitted with consent include:

- Aquaculture;
- Boat launching ramps;
- Boat sheds;
- Camping grounds;
- Caravan parks;
- Environmental facilities;
- Environmental protection works;

- Food and drink premises;
- Kiosks;
- Marinas;
- Mooring pens;
- Recreation areas;
- Recreation facilities (major);
- Recreation facilities (outdoor);
- Registered clubs;
- Water recreation structures

All other forms of development are prohibited on the Crown reserve known as Lake Centenary, in accordance with Temora Shire Council's Local Environmental Plan 2010. The use of the lake for recreation purposes is governed by the Marine Safety Act 1998 and the Marine Safety Regulation 2016. For the purposes of recreational fishing in Lake Centenary, the Fisheries Management Act 1994 applies and is administered by the NSW Department of Primary Industries.

2.5 Review of this plan

This document represents the initial Plan of Management for Lake Centenary undertaken by the Crown Land Manager and extensive community consultation was undertaken in determining the values and management objectives of the Crown Reserve. As the community is largely in agreement with most issues associated with Lake Centenary, it is considered appropriate to review this plan in five years from its acceptance by the Minister, or sooner should it be required.

2.6 Community consultation

Under section 38 of the Local Government Act 1993 councils are required to undertake community consultation in the preparation of plans of management, providing the community with opportunities to determine the values and issues detailed in a plan and to further encourage comment and feedback on the completed draft document before it is submitted to the Minister for acceptance. Specifically, councils must give public notice of a draft plan of management for a period of not less than 28 days and must specify that submissions can be made for a period of not less than 42 days from the commencement date of the public notice period. All documents referred to in the plan of management must be displayed and available for public access.

In accordance with Temora Shire Council's Community Engagement Strategy and Policy (2016), to ensure effective community engagement in the development of this initial Plan of Management the following process was adopted:

Initial discussions held with a representative of the Lake Centenary Management Committee (LCMC);
Offers made to address a meeting of the LCMC to outline the process for development of the draft Plan of Management – which was declined;

Public meeting was advertised and held on 13 May 2019 to provide the community with the opportunity to identify current and future issues;

To ensure the views of a broad cross section of the community was included in the consultative process a survey was developed and promoted by Council through its usual community channels inviting online or hard copy submissions. The exhibition period extended for a period of 42 days following the public meeting.

2.7 Value to the community

The consultation process outlined above provided the community with the opportunity to contribute to the development of this Plan of Management by citing what Lake Centenary means to them and what value the community places on being able to access an inland lake and park in an otherwise rural setting that has no river, dam or other significant natural water body available for recreational purposes.

The values the community place on having Lake Centenary and its associated parklands are:

- Residents are provided with a pleasant place to relax, play, exercise, socialise and enjoy the outdoors
- It is the only water body in town that provides the opportunity for water related sports and recreational activities
- It is a significant and much-loved park that allows large numbers of the community and visitors to congregate for recreational purposes year round
- Visitors to the park and lake for recreation purposes or special events, bring economic benefits that flow to businesses in the town
- The park and lake areas offer a variety of recreational areas that allow wide ranging recreational pursuits such as quiet reflection, active and passive relaxation, family gatherings, water sports, mixing with nature and playing with pets.
- Care, management and use of Lake Centenary creates local employment.
- The park, lake and the facilities create opportunities for special events such as sporting competitions, Rural Fire Service training location, outdoor movies, concerts etc.
- Community pride that Temora residents enjoy and appreciate the park, lake and facilities and the advantage their town has over other towns without similar facilities.

3. Development and use

3.1 Overview

As part of the Lake Centenary precinct, the surrounding parklands and facilities provide a wide range of recreational facilities and opportunities for the community. Temora Shire Council recognises the value to the community of these facilities and provides resources in its annual operating budget to maintain existing improvements to a high standard, while continuing to make capital improvements usually with financial assistance from other sources.

Recreational improvements and facilities include:

- 22.5ha lake for recreational water sports and activities, including water skiing, fishing, sailing, canoeing, kayaking and paddle boarding
- Access roads
- Walking and cycle tracks
- Boat ramp and access boom gate
- Sandy beach areas
- Separate area for swimming
- Outdoor fitness equipment
- Dedicated off leash area for dogs
- Wetlands Education Site
- Children's playground and equipment

- Kiosk
- Toilet and shower facilities
- Gas barbeques and shaded picnic areas
- Five lockable fire pits
- Picnic tables and seating
- Jet Boat racing circuit
- Sealed vehicular access roads and carpark
- 24 hour security surveillance
- Water ski slalom and jump course
- Caretaker's cottage (No. 3) fronting Goldenfields Way

Prohibited from the Lake Centenary precinct by adopted Council policy are:

Glass, camping, fires, vehicles, motorcycles and horses (other than on formed roads), and dogs on walking tracks (unless on leash).

3.2 Condition of the land and structures on adoption of the plan

At the date of adoption of this plan, the whole of Lake Centenary and its improvements and facilities are maintained to a high standard. Regular maintenance and a Council caretaker provide prompt attention to issues of general maintenance or safety. The main picnic and boat launching areas are grassed, well-watered and mowed to a high standard. Barbeques, seating, picnic tables, shade structures are also in good condition. The tiled toilet block facilities have been recently refurbished and are in excellent condition. All hard surface paths, walkways and carparks are in excellent condition. Signage is extensive, clear and generally in good condition. Introduced trees are in various stages of growth with a program of new trees being continually introduced, staked and watered until self-sufficient. The new off-leash area for dogs is fenced which is in excellent condition.

Areas set aside for natural vegetation, wetlands and educational purposes are well established and cared and contain a mix of native trees and introduced species. These areas make an attractive rest point for walkers however weed infestation requires further attention to provide comfort for people, cyclists and pets.

No inspection of the caretaker's cottage was undertaken and the condition is therefore not determined. Historically, this cottage was formerly part of the adjacent Crown Reserve No. 47731 for Experiment Farm and now known as the Temora Agricultural Innovation Centre. It became part of the current Lake Centenary reserve in a land swap in the 1980's to allow the construction of the lake. The caretaker's cottage is leased, with rental income used to maintain the dwelling.

Areas for future improvement were identified during the consultation process include:

- New playground equipment providing a variety of facilities to a broader range of age groups
- The exterior painting of the kiosk
- Some older directional and regulatory signs requiring upgrade and/or updating of information
- More trees
- More sand in the swimming area and adjacent to the boat ramp.

3.3 Use of the land and structures at the date of adoption of the plan

As indicated within Figure 3, areas of Lake Centenary have been developed or improved to provide a variety of recreational opportunities to a broad range of community users.



Figure 3: Lake Centenary Land Uses Map

There are two areas of Lake Centenary subject to an existing lease or licence arrangement that this Plan of Management seeks to expressly authorise in accordance with the Crown Lands Management Act 2016.

1. The lease of the Caretaker's cottage constructed on part of Lot 1211 DP 45494 which arose from the original swap of land to allow the construction of the lake in the 1980's. The caretaker has duties to clean the amenities, bbq area and assist with enforcing rules of no glass, no camping and dogs kept on leads. Lease signed 1 March 2021. The term of the contract is week to week and terminated by Council or tenant, giving two(2) months notice in writing. Council shall inspect the work subject of the contract at least once per month.



Figure 4: Location of Caretaker's Cottage at Lake Centenary

2. The licence for the use of part of Lot 1212 DP 45494 for V8 Superboat racing.



Figure 5: Location of V8 Superboat track Lake Centenary

The lease for the use of the jet boat track was signed on 14 September 2021 for a period of five (5) years with an option to renew for a further five (5) years.

The remainder of the Lake Centenary precinct is currently unrestricted, open access to the public for recreation purposes pursuant to the purpose of the Crown Reserve and consistent with the core objectives for management of the land categorised as a park under section 36G of the Local Government Act 1993; unless from time to time the Crown Land Manager imposes temporary access restrictions for safety reasons.

3.4 Permitted use and future use

Temora Shire Council as Crown Land Manager for Lake Centenary has conducted extensive consultation and sought feedback from the community regarding the use of Lake Centenary. The current permitted uses identified in association with Public Recreation purpose are:

- Recreation including swimming, fishing, walking, cycling, use of non-powered watercraft, use of playground, use of outdoor gym, use of kiosk
- Use of powered watercraft
- Use for community events including markets, festivals, fitness and training

The permitted uses, buildings and improvements are consistent with the core objectives for a park under the Local Government Act 1993 and does not propose to make any changes unless required by law or for safety reasons.

In line with community expectations and Council's strategic community plan future improvements to existing facilities or development of additional facilities are proposed and are set out below. By identifying future permitted uses or activities at Lake Centenary and its facilities, it in no way implies that Council will have resources available, unless otherwise stated, during the term of this Plan of Management.

This Plan of Management expressly authorises the lease or licence of the kiosk premises and up to 25 metres of adjoining grassed or concrete area, for community or business purposes, with the consent of Council.

3.5 Future activities expressly authorised by this plan

Activities expressly authorised by this plan subject to compliance with sections 45, 46 and 47 of the Local Government Act 1993 are:

- i. Lease, licence of hire of the site for any purpose, in accordance with the reserve purpose and categorisation, with the consent of Council;
- ii. Granting of easement with the consent of Council;
- iii. All necessary fire control exercises carried out by Council or its agents are authorised, such as fire hazard reduction, construction of fire trails or firebreaks etc
- iv. Construction of buildings and facilities as approved by Council.

3.6 Management Committee

Temora Shire Council has established a management and advisory committee in accordance with section 355 of the Local Government Act 1993. The name of the committee is the Lake Centenary Management Committee (LCMC). The role of the Committee is:

To encourage and promote the optimum usage of Lake Centenary by the Temora Shire Community.

The terms of reference of the Committee are:

- To manage the usage of Lake Centenary in accordance with Council guidelines
- To provide an information conduit between the users of Lake Centenary and Council
- To administer the rules and regulations for the use of Lake Centenary as set down by agreement between Council and the Committee.

Temora Shire Council permits the LCMC to determine the following operating rules and regulations for lake users:

The committee meets at least four times each calendar year, including the Annual General Meeting and makes recommendations to Temora Shire Council about operational and management issues, including setting operating rules and regulations for use of the lake and boat ramp, launch fees, special events, and user access coordination. As Crown Land Manager, Temora Shire Council considers the LCMC reflects a fair representation of community users and interest groups as membership is open to any member of the community.

4. Strategic Assessment

The following assessment of Lake Centenary summarises the main issues that were considered in the preparing this Plan of Management.

Strengths

- Creates a sense of community pride
- Jetboat events help town's economy
- Jetboats and other lake users work harmoniously to avoid conflict
- Irrigated grassed areas make for pleasant amenity
- Council has good record controlling, managing and maintaining recreational activities for the whole community
- There is a good safety record helped by self-regulation, community involvement and education
- Lake access fees represent good value and keep lake users/skiers in Temora
- Removal of boom gate to increase access times to lake

Weaknesses

- Limited wind protection
- Need enhanced playground equipment
- Increased commercial activity may impact existing town businesses
- Introducing camping and caravanning may increase vandalism or anti-social behaviour and create other safety issues eg broken glass, thereby requiring supervision
- Increase in visitor usage is at expense of local resident access and amenity
- Visitors may not appreciate the importance of broken glass to park and lake users' safety
- Improved signage required to better define different recreational lake activities
- Most visitors/users are self-sufficient and bring own food and drink affecting kiosk viability

Opportunities

- Increased commercial activity such as:
 - Pop up vendor or temporary food vans providing breakfasts, coffee etc
 - Kiosk operator to provide food during busy periods of use or special events
 - Hire operator offering boats, water craft etc
 - Camping and caravanning for short stays/special events
 - Temporary water/splash facility during hot weather for children
 - Lights at boat ramp to allow removal of boats in evening
 - Planting of reeds at concrete walls to reduce bank erosion
- Increased visitor numbers from out of town, injects money into the economy and could help make kiosk and/or temporary food business viable.
- Lake access fees for non-residents could be increased to help offset operational costs

Constraints

- Lake is generally too small and/or shallow for most sailing craft
- Future development of the park will be constrained by size of park land
- Despite community enthusiasm, legislative restrictions may apply to future proposed developments within the park
- Ongoing supervision required to monitor glass being brought into park that seriously impacts safety of park and lake users.
- Popularity of power boats using lake at expense of other non-powered water craft and fishers

5. POM administration and management

Temora Shire Council has categorised Lake Centenary as park under the provisions section 36G of the Local Government Act 1993, details of which are discussed in section 2.1 of this Plan. While Council as the Crown Land Manager has responsibility for the administration and management of the Crown Reserve, it actively encourages feedback from residents through the Lake Centenary Management Committee on matters relating to the care, control, management and development of the park.

As a result of consultation with the community, the following objectives and performance targets were developed together with manner in which Council proposes to assess its performance with respect to these objectives and performance targets. The following information is relevant to ensure capital and recurrent resources are used to achieve the identified objectives and performance targets where possible. The Plan of Management will also be useful in support of Government grants or other funding opportunities that might present in future, so that the community's support for future activities and development can be demonstrated through this Plan of Management

Management Issues	Objectives and Performance Targets	Means of achievement of objectives	Manner of assessment of performance
Access	Allow unrestricted, safe access to the Park by individuals.	All future works, improvements, pathways and overall park facilities comply with Australian Standards, meet Council's Codes, Policies and Regulations.	Number of comments about ease of access.
	Provide reasonable access paths and tracks for pedestrians and cyclists and where ever practical, provide access for people with disabilities.	Use of regulatory signs and enforcement.	Review of reported accidents or incidents.
	Facilitate recreational use of the lake for the broadest range of water activities to occur having regard to user safety.	Use of regulatory signs and enforcement. Temporary access restrictions for safety purposes if required, to allow major events to occur.	Assess user group satisfaction through surveys and observation. Number of comments received prior to granting consent to temporary closure of lake for major events.
	Maintain boat ramp to allow access for vessels and water craft into lake.	Meet safety requirements for launching of powered vessels into the lake.	Number of reported incidents or accidents.
	Allow ski training and competition equipment to be used on the lake	Meet all safety requirements.	Regular maintenance and inspection reports. Number of reports of accidents or incidents.
	Allow for management of park usage times for special events and user groups.	Council approval and regulatory signs for special events and group activities	Number of reported breaches of approval conditions. Number of unauthorised special events and group activities.

Management Issues	Objectives and Performance Targets	Means of achievement of objectives	Manner of assessment of performance
Buildings, amenities and services	Allow safe, clean, convenient and hygienic public amenity facilities for persons of all abilities.	Appropriate levels of cleaning and maintenance. Provision of adequate lighting. Provision of facilities for disabled persons. Application of relevant Council Codes, Policies and Regulations or Consent.	Number of comments about maintenance and hygiene. Number of reported incidents regarding safety or vandalism. Number of comments about ease of access.
	Allow buildings ancillary to the operation of the Park.	Approval of Council	Number of comments received prior to granting consent to usage and development of buildings.
	Allow multi-purpose use of buildings and facilities.	Maintain a flexible approach to building usage and development.	Number of comments received prior to granting consent to usage and development of buildings.
	Allow casual use of park, lake and buildings for special events, outdoor concerts, movies and the like.	Approval of Council	Number of patrons supporting casual events, concerts, etc by observation. Number of comments about special events.
	Allow for installation of services and utilities as required to support permitted site usage.	Approval by the appropriate Statutory Authority. Approval of Council	All facilities are adequately serviced, identified and located.
	Allow ongoing residential or other community uses in the Caretaker cottage (No. 3)	Property remains occupied for a permitted purpose.	Minimal vacancy of the property. Reduced vandalism.
Passive recreation, pastimes and games	Allow suitable recreational activities and games within the Park.	Designated areas to ensure safety of participants and avoid conflict with other park users. Use of regulatory signs.	Number of comments about park presentation and level of usage. Number of reported accidents or incidents.

Management Issues	Objectives and Performance Targets	Means of achievement of objectives	Manner of assessment of performance
Special Events	<p>Allow special events within the park with minimal adverse visual, physical, social and environmental impact.</p> <p>Wedding Ceremonies will be permitted, but not post-ceremony functions. Council will not grant exclusive use of Lake Centenary for any ceremony or private wedding function.</p> <p>Council does not support the erection of large temporary structures such as a marque.</p> <p>Allow short term camping and caravanning associated with special events only.</p>	Council approval.	<p>Assess user group satisfaction through surveys and observation.</p> <p>Level of usage.</p> <p>Number of special event approvals issued with conditions permitting camping and caravanning.</p>
Education	<p>Enhance the park and wetlands areas where appropriate, to be consistent with and complement the surrounding lake and parklands.</p> <p>Allow further development of appropriate areas to facilitate education pastimes and activities.</p>	<p>Partner with external groups or organisations to promote use of educational features of the park.</p> <p>Use grant funds, donations or Council resources to expand areas for educational purposes as appropriate.</p>	<p>Assess user group satisfaction through surveys and observation.</p> <p>Level of usage.</p>
Facilities and equipment	<p>Allow for the provision of adequate furniture, such as water stations, tables, seats, rubbish bins, bollards, cycle racks, tree guards, planter tubs etc at suitable locations.</p> <p>Allow seating throughout the park that is functional and safe.</p>	<p>Appropriate design, siting, use of materials and erection of furniture.</p> <p>Appropriate levels of cleaning and maintenance.</p>	<p>Number of comments about provision of adequate facilities and observation of usage levels.</p> <p>Number of reports of vandalism.</p>
	Provide safely designed and sited playgrounds.	<p>Playground design, materials and layout to relevant safety standards.</p> <p>Playgrounds sited away from physical hazards.</p>	Number of accidents and injuries attributed to unsafe design, siting and layout.
	Provide safely designed and sited fitness equipment.	Outdoor gym and fitness equipment design, materials and layout to relevant safety standards.	Number of accidents and injuries attributed to unsafe design, siting and layout.

Management Issues	Objectives and Performance Targets	Means of achievement of objectives	Manner of assessment of performance
	<p>Allow installation and use of fixed barbeques and covered fire pits.</p> <p>Allow the use of portable gas only barbeques, subject to fire restrictions in force at the time.</p>	<p>Design, locate and maintain permanently installed barbeques and covered fire pits.</p> <p>Regulatory signage.</p>	<p>Number of reported accidents.</p> <p>Number of reported failures.</p> <p>Number of facilities constructed.</p> <p>Number of structures erected.</p>
	Allow structures that provide shade and shelter in appropriate areas	Appropriate design, location and erection of structures.	Number of comments about adequate provision of shade or shelter structures.
	<p>Allow restricted access to the park for accompanied dogs.</p> <p>Allow on-leash dogs to accompany walkers along paths and walkways.</p>	<p>Provide a fenced off area to allow off-leash dogs to run and exercise.</p> <p>Regulatory signage.</p>	Number of reports of failures to comply with directions.
	<p>Ban and/or impound all animals that are not under the full control of owner/handler, except those in the designated off-leash area.</p> <p>Removal or cull of feral animals in breeding numbers.</p>	<p>Community education and involvement in monitoring.</p> <p>Regulatory signage.</p> <p>Pest management.</p>	<p>Complaints about loose dogs, attacks and waste.</p> <p>Complaints about feral animal numbers.</p>
Commercial opportunities	<p>Allow the licensing or leasing of outdoor concessions, kiosks, cafes etc as approved by Council and within a defined area.</p> <p>Allow operators appropriate tenure that best facilitates the provision of public access facilities, services or activities.</p>	<p>Subject to Council</p> <p>Leasing/Licensing Agreement to define permitted activities, locations, operator details etc.</p> <p>Preference given to lease or licence holders over casual concessions or pop-up vendors.</p>	<p>Number of reports of non-compliance with terms of Council approval or lease or licence conditions.</p> <p>Number of licences or leases granted.</p>
Vandalism	Minimise vandalism within the park, its facilities and equipment	<p>Encouragement of community involvement and education.</p> <p>Appropriate signage.</p> <p>Prompt repair of vandalised areas where possible.</p>	<p>Number of reported incidents of vandalism.</p> <p>Cost per annum attributed to repairs and maintenance arising from vandalism.</p>
	Prohibit rubbish dumping and littering.	<p>Regulatory signage.</p> <p>Ordinance inspections.</p>	<p>Number of incidents of illegal dumping.</p> <p>Cost of clean-up and removal per annum.</p>

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Public Safety	<p>Allow for adequate lighting to enable safe movement of pedestrians and vehicles as required.</p> <p>Allow for lighting of special events at night.</p> <p>Allow for lighting of architectural or landscaped features.</p>	<p>Set appropriate illumination levels.</p> <p>Design, site and install light facilities.</p> <p>Regulate times for lighting of special events.</p> <p>Council approval.</p>	Number of comments related to inadequate lighting.
	<p>Allow suitable information, regulatory, identification, interpretive and directional signage relating to the park.</p> <p>Regulate advertising signage.</p>	<p>Appropriate design and siting of signage in accordance with Council's DCP.</p> <p>Council approval</p>	Number of user comments.
	<p>Prohibit the bringing of glass bottles, utensils etc into the park.</p> <p>Encourage recycling.</p> <p>Minimise litter within the park.</p>	<p>Encouragement of community involvement and education.</p> <p>Provide and service enough waste management facilities in strategic locations.</p> <p>Appropriate signage.</p> <p>Ordinance inspections.</p>	<p>Number of reported incidents of broken glass, bottles etc.</p> <p>Number of garbage and recycling bins provided.</p>
	Implement controls to prohibit the consumption and/or possession of alcohol, except within designated or leased concession areas.	Use of regulatory signs and enforcement.	Number of complaints and investigations.
Landscaping, vegetation & biodiversity.	Allow for public and community artworks in appropriate locations.	<p>Use grant funds, donations or community groups to identify, commission and erect artworks.</p> <p>Council approval.</p>	Introduction of artworks into the Park.
	Allow water efficient watering systems that create pleasant and usable green space where appropriate.	Install, operate and maintain existing system and expand as required.	Cost per annum of irrigation water used to maintain landscaping features and grassed areas.

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	<p>Allow soft landscaping improvements, trees, mulch, grass and the like, including minor earthworks for aesthetic appeal, improved access and usage, educational purposes or safety purposes.</p> <p>Manage, protect and control existing and future trees in the park.</p>	<p>Use suitable organic mulches to control weeds and maximise water efficiency as required.</p> <p>Use indigenous or exotic species in suitable locations complementary to current landscape design.</p> <p>Control woody weeds and noxious weeds.</p> <p>Use shade trees for user comfort and protection.</p> <p>Use suitable landscape materials and design.</p> <p>Ensure works carried out are consistent with Council plans, specifications, Codes, Policies and Regulations or Consent.</p>	<p>Degree of weed growth.</p> <p>Number of trees lost due to drought or other incidents.</p> <p>Number of comments related to adequacy of trees for shade protection and beautification of park.</p> <p>Reduction in weed growth.</p>
	Protect and recover where possible, area for Inland Riverine Forest.	Use recommended low-impact weed control methods where necessary.	Evidence of suitable tree species being established.
	Maximise biodiversity of species within the park.	Develop where practical, reedy foreshore areas to create better quality and more diverse habitats for waterbirds and other fauna.	Evidence of suitable sites being established.
	Plant endemic canopy tree species such as Grey Box and Yellow Box species, at northern and south-western lake margins.	<p>Encouragement of community involvement and education.</p> <p>Use grant funds, donations or community groups.</p> <p>Council approval.</p>	Evidence of suitable sites being established.
Water	<p>Allow the introduction of artificial water features for play or aesthetics that are safe, hygienic and easily maintained.</p> <p>Allow the use of water within the landscape to beautify and enhance the site.</p>	<p>Appropriate functional and aesthetic design.</p> <p>Design and siting to maximise safety.</p> <p>Regular cleaning and maintenance.</p>	<p>Number of comments about water quality and appearance of the feature.</p> <p>Number of reported accidents.</p>

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Lake	Allow water based recreational activities upon the lake	Designated areas to ensure safety of lake users and avoid conflict with other water users. Encouragement of community involvement and education. Community involvement in monitoring. Use of regulatory signs and enforcement.	Number of reports accidents. Number of comments about shared access to the lake.
	Minimise detrimental impacts to watercourses feeding into the lake. Maintain watercourses in accordance with Council guidelines. Maintain surface run-off and a system that disposes of water adequately and safely.	Monitoring and inspections. Appropriate selection, design and construction, monitoring and maintenance of water control devices. Maintenance and cleaning as required.	Number of incidents of non-compliance with Council guidelines for stormwater and run-off. Number of comments about water quality in lake.

APPENDIX 1

Lake Centenary draft Plan of Management

COMMUNITY WORKSHOP MEETING SUMMARY

held at the Temora Ex Services Club on 15 May 2019 commencing at 7.05pm

Attendees:

Councillor Max Oliver, 6 community members, 3 Council officers, 1 independent workshop facilitator.

Apologies:

Mayor Councillor Rick Firman, Deputy Mayor Councillor Graham Sinclair

No.	Item
1.0	INTRODUCTION
1.1	Councillor Max Oliver welcomed all present and advised apologies above
2.0	CONSULTANT PRESENTATION
2.1	Victoria Dalglish from Community Development Initiatives (CDI) gave a short presentation that included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The agenda for the workshop Requirement that participants show respect for other views and conduct themselves in a courteous manner to ensure fairness during discussion Explanation as to why the public meeting and workshop was being conducted What is a plan of management (PoM) What the benefits to the community are of having a PoM Process beyond the workshop for developing a draft PoM

3.0	WHY ARE WE HERE?
3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the Crown Lands Management Act 2019 appointing Council as the Crown Land Manager • PoM's require consultation with the community • The process for developing PoMs comes under the Local Government Act 1993
4.0	WHAT IS A PoM?
4.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic framework for management, use, improvements & future development • Requires consultation with the community • Identifies important features • Establishes management and maintenance standards and performance measures • Must expressly authorise current licences or leases and future usage or development • Must identify how the reserve is managed consistent with its reservation purpose and in accordance with Crown land management principles
5.0	WORKSHOP DISCUSSIONS
5.1	What does the community value? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is a pleasant place to go for relaxation and enjoyment • It provides good places for improving fitness, exercising, walking and cycling • Can offer quiet respite when not being used by powered water craft • Provides excellent water sports capabilities • There are many family areas to enjoy • Brings economic benefit eg jetboat days, and brings visitors to town • Provides locals residents with a destination to go that keeps them in Temora for water skiing and fishing and general recreation • Areas reserved for bird life and wild life are valued • People can walk dogs or let off-leash for play in a specific area • Creates employment for the town • Brings to town events and entertainment opportunities eg triathlon, RFS training, outdoor concerts etc • Having an attractive lake is advantageous over other towns without one • Provides picturesque setting for weddings • Provides more opportunities for destination tourism • Creates community pride because it is recognised the 'town punches above its weight' having such an attractive recreational facility
5.2	What would the community like to see? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More protection from the wind • Enhanced playground facilities • Addition of lighting to help load boats in the evenings • Improvements to block wall to eliminate backwash from boats and subsequent erosion of banks
5.3	What opportunities did the community suggest? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commercial operators who might provide coffee/breakfasts on weekends through pop-up concessions, mobile food van or use of existing kiosk • Establishment of a water-side café • Hirers of boats or water craft for those not having access to their own craft • Provision of areas for camping and/or caravanning • Having the gate unlocked provides better access for people to use the lake and facilities at any time • More on and off lake activities eg water park, splash park, inflatable slides etc
5.4	What limitations or issues did the community acknowledge? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The walking track is too close to the highway for safety • Not everyone adheres to the water safety rules • Water levels in the lake can be a safety issue • Water quality in the lake can be a safety issue at times • More people using the lake can mean more vandalism • Open access to the lake and facilities can create a security issue • Not all dogs being restrained on leads create safety concerns • The overall size of the park for public recreation has been almost utilised to the maximum and would prohibit further expansion of the lake and possible other uses within the park

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insufficient patrons to make a kiosk financially viable, particularly when most people come prepared with own food and drinks • Threats to access and use of lake if legislative changes brought into effect following accident or injuries to users
5.5	<p>What potential conflicts did the community raise?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Threats to local residents and current users accessing the lake for their recreational enjoyment by attracting more people, particularly from other towns • Having a viable café would come at the expense of existing businesses in town • Rules and regulations to keep people safe are not always followed • Recent increase in boat launching fees represents good value and there was no backlash to the increase from users • Tensions between increasing visitation and lake usage versus economic benefit from increased tourism and visitation • User fees versus travelling out of town for similar water facilities may suggest the new fees are too low • Dominance of skiers and power boats is at expense of kayakers, fishers and other lake users • Current Lake Centenary Management Committee is dominated by water ski enthusiasts and not a balanced representation of user groups • Need to improve signage for kayak users to avoid conflict and treats to safety • Lake usage is largely self-regulated and generally well accepted • The lake is too small for most forms of sailing craft • Irrigation of lake side areas is attractive and adequate • Council's legislative powers to protect current and future developments and uses is a safeguard for community • Balance required between future opportunities for new business, eg functions, events, tourism activities etc, to not diminish residents' current access and enjoyment of the lake and surrounds • Don't let legislation interfere with capability to make things happen • Provision for general camping creates other problems, consider event only camping with conditions or rules • Issue of glass and impact on users and safety a major concern
6.0	<p>WHERE TO FROM HERE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community survey to be prepared and distributed for more feedback • Analysis and report for Council to consider • Preparation of draft Plan of Management and further community input.