

Community Update

CHC, The GIL, Library Hub...



Thursday, 25 March 2021



AGENDA

What's on Today...

- Gilgandra Cultural Precinct & Activation
- Windmill Walk as strategic link
- Coo-ee Heritage Centre upgrades
- The GIL Library Hub update
- Proposed plaza upgrades
- Questions & answer
- What's New: Under the Gums, BIG Ideas, Signs
- Next session
 - Wednesday, 31 March @ 5.30pm





GILGANDRA CULTURAL PRECINCT

What GCP will achieve...

- Promotion of 3 key themes
- Increased visitation
- Community ownership
- Commercial lease opportunity
- Gatherings/functions
- Links with rural museum
- Complement CBD activation

VISION

A multi-purpose community and cultural precinct that enables a sense of place and identity about Gilgandra and regional NSW for our communities and visitors.

OUTCOMES

- 1. Local community ownership, use and pride of Gilgandra Cultural Precinct (GCP)
- 2. Recognition of Gilgandra and the GCP as tourist destinations in regional NSW
- 3. Support and encourage local and regional creative and artistic expression
- 4. Understanding and respect for local history and heritage
- Increased visitation to benefit the regional and economic development of Gilgandra Shire



GILGANDRA ACTIVATION BLUEPRINT

TAKE BRAVE STEPS.

TELL US YOUR IDEAS FOR THE FUTURE.

START YOUR IDEA.

COMPLETE YOUR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST HERE.

BE PART OF THE ACTION.

HAVE YOUR SAY.
GILGANDRA ACTIVATION BLUEPRINT.

"We are excited to present this to our community, and the plan focusses on bringing together current projects, plans and ideas and creating a single focused vision that we all are aware of and as a community we can collectively work towards."

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WINDMILL WALK TO MILLER ST

- Gilgandra Activation Blueprint
- Windmill Walk upgrades
- Painted windmills
- Coo-ee silhouettes + marchers story
- Laneways and linking to windmills, murals – INSPO
- The GIL Library Hub connections and events
- Coo-ee Oval Freedom Camping
- Link to Rural Museum















CONSTRUCTION ELEMENTS





- Painting, flooring & new entrance
- Covered in verandah
- Decking area for view of Castlereagh
- Air-conditioning
- Upgrades to amenities, office and kitchen
- Upgrades to Allan Wise with glass, displays and entrance
- 360 counter for security and view
- Entrances to all galleries from central point

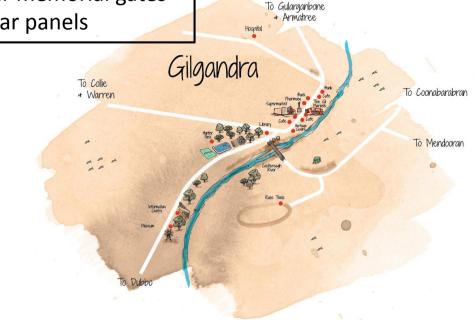
EXTERNAL ELEMENTS





- Rural Museum links
- Signage
- Landscaping
- Security Stage 2
- War memorial gates
- Solar panels

- Working windmill
- Car park (including relocation of lemon squeezer & BBQ and any suggestion for change in traffic movements between CHC & Rural Museum)
- Sculpture garden, bush tucker + yarn circles



RURAL MUSEUM LINK

OPPORTUNITIES & IDEAS





- Signage, entrance, landscaping and opening front
- Linking through Windmill Walk & drive access
- Joint tickets available online
- Local passports
- Success with recent community grant applications for upgrades



Transition of the GIL...



- Stay within the GIL until construction of the Hub commences
- Working with stockists:
 - New private venture
 - Existing private businesses
 - Starting their own business
- VIC is Council's core service
- EOI in April for relocation in interim









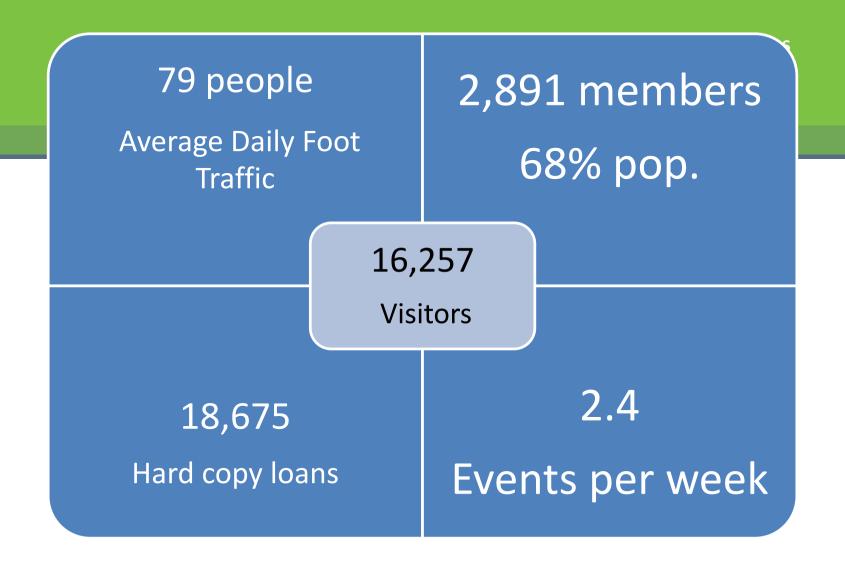
Council's Goals



The goal of the new Gilgandra Library & Community Hub is to:

- Attract locals and visitors to the CBD invigorating Miller Street
- Expand the library to meet current and future demand for its services and offer additional services to more people
- Extend access to new technology and information services
- To support new and existing local businesses
- Expand access to services and facilities for locals and visitors

Gilgandra Shire Library 2019/20



Activities which will occur in the new building

Information for travellers **Information** for the community Meetings with services Local business meetings One-on-one tutoring and training Casual social gatherings **Community** gatherings Film viewing Studying Working Relaxing with a friend or alone Learning-self guided or training Youth Technology Makerspace- sound & film production

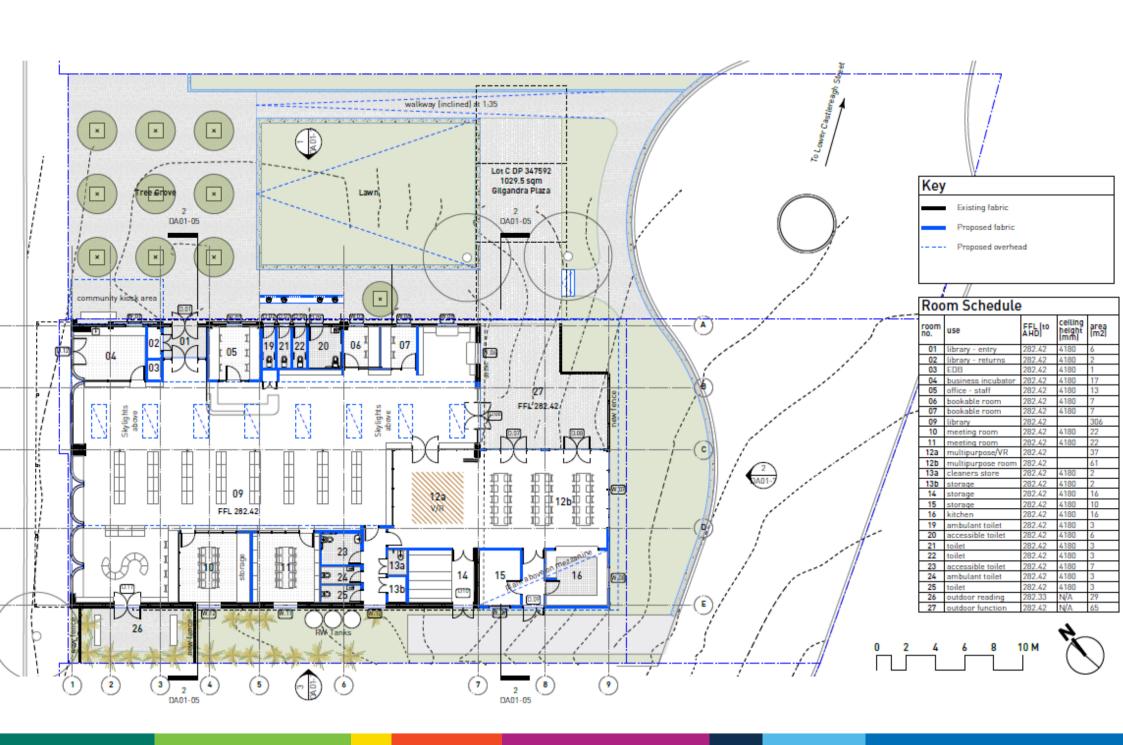
Children's activities- Storytime, afterschool activities about technology and creativity

Activities for youth- technology, training and creativity

Activities for adults- creative, social and learning activities – technology training, workshops, guest speakers, films, groups, training.

Community-led activities- gatherings, festivals, performances

Commercial and Community- displays relating to business or community activities





Public amenities – December report

- The architects considered the relationships between the building and the plaza.
- Retaining the current amenity structure limits the potential for opening up the building to the plaza.
- There is currently limited space for gatherings and the existing amenity block is the focal point for the plaza, limiting the plaza's potential to become a welcoming multi-use public space.
- The architects explored several options to improve the relationship between the plaza and the new building, including:
 - Retaining all structures
 - Removing all structures
 - Keeping some structures

History...

Construction: 2011

Cost: \$167,000

Strengths of this option are identified as:

- The opportunity to improve connectivity between the plaza and the new building, allowing activities to spill outside into the plaza
- Providing amenities that service both the new Library and Community Hub, after hours activities that may occur in the new building and public access
- Improving safety within the plaza area by increasing activity in line with safer by design principles
- · Reinforcing the link between Miller Street and the river frontage
- The cost of replacement is wholly met within the project grant budget.

Weaknesses of this option:

- · Amenities are 10 years old
- · Demolition may be viewed as wasteful.

Community Steering Group

- The Community Steering Group endorsed this recommendation on the proviso that the new design delivered publicly accessible toilet facilities.
- The importance of these to the Miller Street commercial areas was emphasised.
- The group also strongly recommended that temporary accessible public toilet facilities be provided in the main street during the construction period.

High street grant application concept





Gilgandra Plaza Upgrade

Proposed Ground Plan water tanks for langecape irrigation (×) Castlereagh River electric vehicle charging station library and community hub 30-32 Miller Street new disabled parking (x) street amenities planting ubrary entry cwa stand (x) covered stage blister public future future blister connection 2.5 5 7.5 10 12.5M

















Have your say...

Question & Answer...

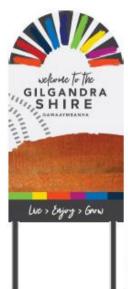
- Website for feedback forms
- Call us 6817 8800
- council@Gilgandra.nsw.gov.au
- Next session
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 - Regular updates to continue

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OVERALL SIGNAGE PROJECT



















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