

## **CASSOWARY COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**

## **Media Release**



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## BEAUTIFICATION OF THE VILLAGE IN THE VALLEY

Cassowary Coast Regional Council endorsed the design concept for the Beautification of Banyan and Lions Park during the September 2023 Local Government Meeting.

Based on the outcomes of the community consultation, Council endorsed the staged delivery of Option One Concept Design, which will create a welcoming space for families and visitors.

Division Two Councillor Teresa Millwood thanked the community who actively engaged through the consultation process and provided valuable feedback on their preferred Concept Design Option.

"Thank you to the Tully and surrounding community members who took the time to provide feedback on the vision for Banyan Park.

"Delivered in Stage One will be improved landscaping, accessibility, and signage around the iconic Golden Gumboot. This will create a vibrant entrance to Tully CBD and play a key role in the storytelling of our region.

"The staged approach will also see an interpretive node, parking upgrades, iconic entry signage, an avenue of trees, as well as significant tree feature lighting on the iconic raintrees.

Council will be working to deliver Stage One within the next nine months in preparation for the Tully 100 celebrations, a highly anticipated and exciting event for our Town," said Councillor Millwood.

Council sincerely thanks the Tully community for their contributions to the engagement over the past months. The additional feedback provided by respondents allowed Council to understand the preferred elements and features, and how the concept design can be further improved through the detailed design phase.

After the consultation closed, Council received a petition in response to the Concept Design Options. Council addressed the issues highlighted in the petition through consultation with the primary principal petitioner. In response to the concerns raised through the petition, Council resolved to ensure a net increase in precinct parking is delivered as the detailed design process progresses.

The detailed design phase will involve engagement with adjacent businesses, property owners, and community to ensure that public concerns and aspirations are understood and considered.

Council is committed to the delivery of the short-term priorities through the Queensland Government Works for Queensland funding allocation in this current financial year.

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Council looks forward to delivering this project in the near future.

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