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Community Grants Committee Meeting

Tuesday, 21 April 2026

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19 August 2025

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Community Grants Committee Meeting

Tuesday, 19 August 2025

Date:	Tuesday 19 August 2025
Time:	10:30am
Location:	Ashburton Hall, Ashburton Avenue, Paraburdoo
Distribution Date:	Friday 22 August 2025

Shire of Ashburton
Community Grants Committee Meeting

The Chief Executive Officer recommends the endorsement of these minutes at the next Community Grants Committee Meeting.

Dr Garry Hunt PSM
Chief Executive Officer (Temporary)
22 August 2025

These minutes were confirmed by Council as a true and accurate record of proceedings at the Community Grants Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 19 August 2025.

Presiding Member _____

Date _____

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1 Declaration Of Opening

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 10:30am.

1.1 Acknowledgement Of Country

As representatives of the Shire of Ashburton Council, we respectfully acknowledge the local Indigenous people, the traditional custodians of this land where we are meeting upon today and pay our respects to them and all their elders past, present and emerging.

2 Announcement Of Visitors

The Presiding Member welcomed members of the public to the gallery.

3 Attendance

3.1 Present

Elected Members:	Cr K White	Deputy Shire President (Presiding Member), Onslow Ward
	Cr M Lynch	Tom Price Ward
	Cr B Healy	Tom Price Ward
Employees:	G Hunt PSM	Chief Executive Officer (Temporary)
	J Sangster	Deputy Chief Executive Officer
	C McGurk	Director Community Development
	D Kennedy	Director Corporate Services
	G Harris	Director Infrastructure Services
	J Watson	ICT System Officer
	A Johnston	Manager Media and Communications
	R Marlborough	A/Manager Governance
	J Rouse	Governance Officer
	M Malinowska	Council Support Officer
Guests:	Nil	
Members of Public:	There were no members of the public in attendance at the commencement of the meeting.	
Members of media:	There were no members of the media in attendance at the commencement of the meeting.	

3.2 Apologies

3.3 Approved Leave Of Absence

Cr M Gallanagh Pannawonica Ward From 8 July 2025 to 23 August 2025

4 Declaration By Members

4.1 Due Consideration By Elected Members To The Agenda

Elected Members will be requested to note they have given due consideration to all matters contained in this agenda.

4.2 Declaration Of Interest

A member who has an Impartiality, Proximity or Financial interest in any matter to be discussed at this meeting must disclose the nature of the interest either in a written notice, given to the Chief Executive Officer, prior to the meeting, or at the meeting immediately before the matter is discussed.

A member who makes a disclosure in respect to an interest must not preside at the part of the meeting which deals with the matter, or participate in, or be present during any discussion or decision-making process relative to the matter, unless the disclosing member is permitted to do so under Section 5.68 or Section 5.69 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

The following declarations of interest are disclosed –

6.5 Request to Approve Pannawonica Dingoes Round 2 FY24/25 Funding in FY 25/26	
Name	Cr M Lynch
Nature of interest	Indirect Financial
Interest description	I am an employee and tenant of Rio Tinto. I am paid a salary by Pilbara Iron.

6.6 2026 Jarndunmunha (Nameless) Festival Sponsorship	
Name	Cr M Lynch
Nature of interest	Indirect Financial
Interest description	I am an employee and tenant of Rio Tinto. I am paid a salary by Pilbara Iron.
Name	Cr B Healy
Nature of interest	Indirect Financial
Interest description	My partner works for Rio Tinto. We do not live in company housing. My partner does however receive a Housing Subsidy Payment from Rio Tinto.

6.3 Signature Events and Activities Funding Applications 2025/2026	
Name	Cr B Healy
Nature of interest	Impartiality
Interest description	I am a member of the Tom Price Baptist Church and my business is engaged in volunteer capacity providing dance performances involved in the Tom Price Community Carols by way of volunteering.

5 Confirmation Of Minutes

5.1 Confirmation Of Previous Minutes

5.1.1 Minutes Of The Community Grants Committee Meeting Held On 15 April 2025

Committee Decision

Moved **Cr M Lynch**

Seconded **Cr B Healy**

That the Minutes of the Community Grants Committee Meeting held 15 April 2025 (Item 5.1.1 Attachment 1) be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Carried 3/0

6 Public Agenda Items

6.1 Community Previous Grants Review [FY 2022/2023 to FY 2024/2025]

File Reference	GS01
Applicant or Proponent(s)	Not Applicable
Author	J Murphy, Strategic Partnership Officer
Authorising Officer	C McGurk, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Previous Meeting Reference	Nil
Disclosure(s) of interest	Author – Nil
	Authorising Officer – Nil
Attachments	1. August 2025 - Community Grants Review

Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide the Committee with an overview of all applications received from small assistance donations, Inspiring Youth Leader's Fund, and Community Support Grants.

The Committee is requested to endorse the review and recommends that Council accepts the grants review document, as provided at Attachment 1.

Background

Over recent years the Council Policy – Community Donations, Grants and Funding has undergone several amendments. To ensure transparency, accountability, and effective use of resources a review has been conducted of all applications since the commencement of the 2022/2023 financial year from Small Assistance Donations, Community Support Grants, and the recently introduced Inspiring Youth Leaders Fund to provide Council an overview of all outcomes across the Shire.

This review aims to provide a clear and detailed account of how grant funds are being utilised and highlight any gaps or inefficiencies in the application and allocation process to enhance future grants management.

Comments

The table below provides an overview of financial contributions to each town across each category, which can also been seen in Attachment 1.

Category	Town	21/22 Expenditure	22/23 Expenditure	23/24 Expenditure	24/25 Expenditure
Community Support Grant	Onslow	$-	$12,490.67	$4,570.00	$5,000.00
	Pannawonica	$10,000.00	$5,000.00	$0.00	$17,500.00
	Tom Price	$12,500.00	$35,400.00	$11,552.00	$20,319.51
	Paraburdoo	$12,500.00	$22,067.00	$2,500.00	$3,375.00
Signature Events Grant	Red Dirt Rock	$10,000.00	$9,300.00	$10,000.00	$10,000.00
	Tom Price Campdraft	$10,000.00	$10,000.00	$10,000.00	$10,000.00
	Onslow Rodeo	$9,090.00	$10,000.00	$10,000.00	$10,000.00
	Carols By Glowlight			$5,000.00	$5,000.00
	Ashburton Anglers	$2, 500.00	$2,500.00	$10,000.00	$10,000.00
	Other	$10,000.00	$10,000.00	$4,000.00	$3,700.00
Small Assistance Donations	Onslow		$500.00	$1,000.00	$824.00
	Pannawonica		$1,000.00	$-	$-
	Paraburdoo		$500.00	$660.00	$2,972.00
	Tom Price		$6,000.00	$1,500.00	$1,500.00
Council Initiated	Education Donations		$6,953.00	$6,992.00	$6,920.70
	Emergency Services		$5,000.00	$4,000.00	$4,000.00
Youth Grants	Onslow				$1,500.00
	Pannawonica				$-
	Paraburdoo				$-
	Tom Price				$750.00

Consultation

Nil

Strategic Community Plan Shire of Ashburton Strategic Community Plan 2022-2032

Strategic Objective	1. People - We will support opportunities for the community to be safe, socially active, and connected.
Strategic Outcome	1.2 Communities connected with opportunities
Strategy	4 Support and develop sustainable clubs and groups, providing opportunities for meaningful participation in arts, culture, sport, and recreation.

Council Policy

Council Policies » Shire of Ashburton

Community Donations, Grants and Funding

Financial Implications

Current Financial Year

Nil

Future Financial Year(s)

Nil

Legislative Implications

Nil

Risk Management

Risk has been assessed against the Shire of Ashburton Risk Management Framework.

Theme	Risk	Likelihood	Consequence	Inherent Risk Rating	Risk Treatment
Compliance	Grant applications do not align with Council's Strategic Community Plan.	Unlikely (2)	Minor (2)	Low (1-4)	Provide Council with a regular review of all applications approved under delegation.

Based on the inherent risk rating and risk treatments, the residual risk to the Shire is considered to be low.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That the Community Grants Committee recommends that Council accepts the Community Grants Review undertaken, as detailed in Attachment 1.

Committee Decision

Moved **Cr M Lynch**

Seconded **Cr B Healy**

That the Community Grants Committee recommends that Council accepts the Community Grants Review undertaken, as detailed in Attachment 1.

For: **K White, M Lynch and B Healy**

Against: **Nil**

Carried 3/0

10:33am Director Community Development - Chantelle McGurk left the room.

6.2 2026 Mack10K Fishing Competition Sponsorship

File Reference	GS01
Applicant or Proponent(s)	Not Applicable
Author	T Taylor, Manager Communities
Authorising Officer	G Hunt PSM, Chief Executive Officer (Temporary)
Previous Meeting Reference	Ordinary Council Meeting May 2023 - Item 14.2 – 082/2023
Disclosure(s) of interest	Author – Nil
	Authorising Officer – Nil
Attachments	Nil

Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is present information to the Community Grants Committee (Committee) in order to seek Council support in the sponsorship of the Ashburton Anglers, 2026 Mack10K Fishing Competition.

The Committee is requested to recommend that Council support the Ashburton Anglers, 2026 Mack10K Fishing Competition with a sponsorship of $20,000.

Background

The Mack10K Fishing Competition, hosted annually by the Ashburton Anglers as an entirely volunteer community group, is a premier recreational fishing event held in Onslow each year. Established in 2019, the competition has quickly become a highlight on the Pilbara's sporting calendar.

Since 2019 the Mack10K Fishing Competition has grown significantly and fast become one of the premier fishing competitions in Western Australia, drawing anglers from across the state to compete in a single species challenge targeting Spanish Mackerel.

Since its inception in 2019, the Mack10K has seen substantial growth in participation and community engagement. The number of anglers has increased 335% from 92 in its first year to 400 in 2025. Prize categories have expanded from five to 17, enhancing the event's appeal. Local business sponsorships have grown by 35%, reflecting strong community support and investment.

The event's name, Mack10K, reflects its original major prize of $10,000 awarded to the angler who lands the heaviest Spanish Mackerel. In 2025, to commemorate 100 Years of Onslow, the top prize has been doubled to $20,000, thanks to the continued support of local business Munro's Contracting.

Beyond the competition, the Mack10K fosters community spirit, tourism, and marine education. The event regularly partners with Recfishwest and the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) to support the Fishing for Science program. In 2023, the competition saw a record 76 Spanish Mackerel samples donated for scientific research, contributing to valuable data on fish age, size, and reproductive health.

Held over a weekend in August each year, the Mack10K celebrations are based at the Onslow Sports Club and features a family friendly atmosphere, merchandise, and community engagement activities. The competition not only celebrates Onslow's rich fishing

culture but also supports local businesses and promotes tourism for Onslow and sustainable fishing practices.

Council has supported Ashburton Anglers Mack10K in 2023, 2024 and 2025 with a Signature Event Grant of $10,000, helping to ensure the continued success and growth of this iconic community-led event.

Comments

The Mack10 Fishing Competition has evolved into the largest blue water fishing event in Western Australia, with the 2025 competition selling out within eight hours of going live online. Its growing reputation continues to attract both participants and spectators from across the state, positioning Onslow as a premier destination for recreational fishing and regional tourism. The event contributes significantly to local economic activity, community pride, and visitor engagement.

Organised by the Ashburton Anglers, a dedicated volunteer-run community group, the Mack10K Fishing Competition has been successfully delivered since 2019. As the events scale and profile continue to grow, so too do the logistical and operational demands. The volunteer committee now faces increasing challenges in managing the event, including coordination, compliance, safety, and stakeholder engagement.

Importantly, the Mack10K has grown beyond just a fishing competition. It has become one of Onslow's premier annual events offering a family friendly atmosphere and a range of community engagement activities that appeal to residents and visitors alike whether or not they are participating in the competition. The event fosters a strong sense of community, celebrates Onslow's fishing heritage, and promotes sustainable practices through partnerships with organisations such as Recfishwest and DPIRD.

Ashburton Anglers have also secured a professional photographer and videographer for the 2025 competition. The images and footage will be used to promote the event and enhance Onslow's reputation as a top tourist destination, benefiting the Onslow community and the Shire's continued efforts in promoting Onslow.

A sponsorship of $20,000 from the Shire of Ashburton would provide critical support to the Ashburton Anglers Fishing Club, enabling them to:

- Engage professional event management and security services to ensure smooth delivery and compliance.
- Enhance visitor experience through improved infrastructure and event coordination.
- Strengthen marketing and promotional efforts to increase sponsorship visibility and media coverage.
- Support volunteer capacity by alleviating pressure on the organising committee.

This sponsorship aligns with the Shire of Ashburton strategic objectives to:

- Promote regional tourism and economic development.
- Support community-led initiatives that foster pride and participation.
- Encourage sustainable event growth that benefits the broader Pilbara region.

A sponsorship of $20,000 for the 2026 event will help to ensure the Mack10K remains a safe, successful, and sustainable celebration of Onslow's identity and community spirit.

Consultation

Ashburton Anglers
Manager Communities
Manager Finance
Manager Business & Economic Development

Strategic Community Plan

Shire of Ashburton Strategic Community Plan 2022-2032

Strategic Objective	1. People - We will support opportunities for the community to be safe, socially active, and connected.
Strategic Outcome	1.2 Communities connected with opportunities
Strategy	4 Support and develop sustainable clubs and groups, providing opportunities for meaningful participation in arts, culture, sport, and recreation.

Council Policy

Council Policies » Shire of Ashburton

Community Donations, Grants and Funding

Financial Implications

Current Financial Year

Available funds from GL – C3649 Signature Events Non-Specific Funding

Future Financial Year(s)

Ashburton Anglers have been advised of the Shire of Ashburton's Council Policy - Community Donations, Grants and Funding which outlines our process to provide funding to Signature Events. Future funding will be considered under this policy.

Legislative Implications

Nil

Risk Management

Risk has been assessed against the Shire of Ashburton Risk Management Framework.

Theme	Risk	Likelihood	Consequence	Inherent Risk Rating	Risk Treatment
Reputation (social/community)	Failing to support such a major event in Onslow could cause reputational damage to the Shire	Likely (4)	Moderate (3)	Low (1-4)	To provide sponsorship support to the event that also supports Council strategy and policy.

Based on the inherent risk rating and risk treatments, the residual risk to the Shire is considered to be low.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That the Community Grants Committee recommends that Council:

1. Approves a one-year sponsorship of $20,000 to the Ashburton Anglers to support the delivery of the 2026 Mack10K Fishing Competition;
2. Acknowledges that Shire officers will assess the sponsorship value and acquittal at the conclusion of the 2026 event; and
3. Notes that a further report will be provided to the Community Grants Committee on the outcome of the assessment which will consider the potential for sponsorship in future years.

Committee Decision

Moved **Cr B Healy**

Seconded **Cr M Lynch**

That the Community Grants Committee recommends that Council:

1. **Approves a one-year sponsorship of $20,000 to the Ashburton Anglers to support the delivery of the 2026 Mack10K Fishing Competition;**
2. **Acknowledges that Shire officers will assess the sponsorship value and acquittal at the conclusion of the 2026 event; and**
3. **Notes that a further report will be provided to the Community Grants Committee on the outcome of the assessment which will consider the potential for sponsorship in future years.**

For: **K White, M Lynch and B Healy**

Against: **Nil**

Carried 3/0

10:34am Director Community Development - Chantelle McGurk returned to the room

Cr B Healy disclosed an impartiality interest in Item 6.3 (detailed in Item 4.2).

6.3 Signature Events and Activities Funding Applications 2025/2026

File Reference	GS01
Applicant or Proponent(s)	Not Applicable
Author	J Murphy, Strategic Partnership Officer
Authorising Officer	C McGurk, Director Community Development
Previous Meeting Reference	Ordinary Council Meeting - 9 May 2023 - (082/2023)
Disclosure(s) of interest	Author – Nil
	Authorising Officer – Nil
Attachments	1. 2026 Signature Event Applications 2. 2026 Signature Event Application Summary

Report Purpose

The Community Grants Committee (the Committee) is required to consider the Signature Event and Activities applications in accordance with Council Policy – Community Donations, Grants and Funding.

The purpose of this report is to provide the Committee the applications received for review.

At the close of the application period, eight (8) applications were received for Signature Events and Activities (refer to Attachment 1).

The Committee is requested to receive these applications and the recommended outcome for each and support the recommendation presented for Councils consideration.

Background

The Shire supports the Signature Events and Activities funding under Council Policy – Community Donations, Grants and Funding as follows:

> *"Applications are available to incorporated and unincorporated associations for events and activities that provide a broad community benefit. Applications and amounts are assessed and determined by Council. Approved applications are set an allocation in the following years budget."*

Previously, this funding was part of a three-year commitment from Council. That arrangement has now concluded, and applications will be submitted annually. This change aligns with the My Pilbara Home strategies, and all future applications will be reviewed each year to ensure strategic alignment.

Council Policy – Community Donations, Grants and Funding requires, as a minimum, the following criteria must be met to be successful:

- Applicant is to reside or operate within the Shire or be able to show a direct and substantial benefit to residents within the Shire.
- Assistance is not available retrospectively.
- Funds are to be used only for the purpose for which they are given or via agreed variations.

- Successful applicants are required to complete an acquittal report and submit this to the Shire within three months on the agreed completion date.

Comments

The Signature Events and Activities funding was promoted directly to clubs and organisations via email and on the Shire's public notice boards, website, and social media platforms.

At the close of applications on 12 August 2025, eight (8) applications were received.

- Tom Price – Five (5) applications
- Onslow – Two (2) applications
- Pannawonica – One (1) application

Unfortunately, no applications were received from Paraburdoo, multiple emails and attempts to contact clubs and groups in town such as the Paraburdoo Red Dirt Rocks committee and Karingal were made with no response.

All applications have been assessed on the:

- criteria outlined in Council Policy – Community Donations, Grants and Funding,
- general conditions, and
- criteria and compliance information provided.

The table below provides a summary of the applications received (refer to Attachment 2 for further information).

Town	Organisation	Project	Amount requested	Proposed Action	Reason
Tom Price	Tom Price Soccer Club	2026 Northwest Soccer Tournament	$15,000	Approve	Aligns with Strategic Community Plan and Policy Guidelines
Tom Price	Tom Price Campdraft Inc	2026 Tom Price Campdraft	$10,000	Approve	Aligns with Strategic Community Plan and Policy Guidelines
Onslow	Onslow Rodeo	2026 Onslow Rodeo	$10,000	Approve	Aligns with Strategic Community Plan and Policy Guidelines
Pannawonica	Robe River Rodeo	2026 Robe River Rodeo	$10,000	Approve	Aligns with Strategic Community Plan and Policy Guidelines
Tom Price	AWARE	2026 AWARE Gala	$10,000	Approve	Aligns with Strategic Community Plan

Town	Organisation	Project	Amount requested	Proposed Action	Reason
					and Policy Guidelines
Tom Price	Nintirri	International Women's Day Expo	$10,000	Approved	Aligns with Strategic Community Plan and Policy Guidelines
Tom Price	Tom Price Baptist Church	Carols by Glowlight	$10,000	Approved	Aligns with Strategic Community Plan and Policy Guidelines
Onslow	Park Run	Park Run	$8,600	Decline	Not aligned with community strategic plan

The ongoing development of the My Pilbara Home Strategy encompasses several Council strategies, including events and programs. Recognising this as a valuable opportunity, we aim to align our events and grant processes with these strategies ensuring maximum benefit for the community.

As the current sponsorship agreements for the Tom Price Campdraft, Onslow Rodeo, Pannawonica Rodeo, and Paraburdoo Red Dirt Rocks are set to conclude this year, it is recommended that the budget allocation for these events be increased for the upcoming financial year. This adjustment will ensure adequate support for each event during the transition period. Moving forward, the intention is that the revised allocation will be sufficient to meet ongoing sponsorship needs, reducing the requirement for annual increases and supporting long-term planning and sustainability.

An overview of the required budget for FY 25/26 is provided below included the current approved Signature events and the proposed applications for approval.

	No. of Applications	No. of proposed for Approve	Amount $	No. proposed for decline	Amount $	No. of Current Applications	Amount $	FY 25/26 NO. of Signature Events *(If approved)*	Amount
Tom Price	5	5	$ 55,000.00	0	$ -	2	$ 15,000.00	7	$ 70,000.00
Pannawonica	1	1	$ 10,000.00	0	$ -	1	$ 10,000.00	2	$ 20,000.00
Paraburdoo	0	0	$ -	0	$ -	1	$ 10,000.00	1	$ 10,000.00
Onslow	2	1	$ 10,000.00	1	$ 8,600.00	2	$ 20,000.00	3	$ 30,000.00
Onslow Mack 10 (Sponsorship)	1	1	$ 20,000.00	0	$ -	0	$ -	1	$ 20,000.00
*please note Onslow Mack 10 Sponsiorship is a separate report									
Total	9	8	$ 95,000.00	$ 1.00	$ 8,600.00	6	$ 55,000.00	14	$ 150,000.00

Consultation

Executive Leadership Team
Relevant clubs and associations
Local non-for-profit organisations

Strategic Community Plan

Shire of Ashburton Strategic Community Plan 2022-2032

Strategic Objective	1. People - We will support opportunities for the community to be safe, socially active, and connected.
Strategic Outcome	1.2 Communities connected with opportunities
Strategy	4 Support and develop sustainable clubs and groups, providing opportunities for meaningful participation in arts, culture, sport, and recreation.

Council Policy

Council Policy – Community Donations, Grants and Funding provides the guidelines for the applications and the criteria for assessment.

Financial Implications

Current Financial Year

Each item will need to be listed in the Council FY25/26 Budget, with an increase to the GL C3649 of $50,000.

Future Financial Year(s)

Nil

Legislative Implications

Local Government Act 1995

Section 6.7 – Municipal fund

Money held in the municipal fund may be applied towards the performance of functions and the exercise of the powers conferred on the local government by the *Local Government Act 1995* or any other written law.

Risk Management

Risk has been assessed against the Shire of Ashburton Risk Management Framework.

Theme	Risk	Likelihood	Consequence	Inherent Risk Rating	Risk Treatment
Reputation (social/community)	Unsuccessful applicants publicly criticise the Shire.	Possible (3)	Insignificant (1)	Low (1-4)	Ensure appropriate Policy procedures are in place and followed. Ensure applications are approved based on the criteria in the policy. Officers to collaborate with clubs to improve future applications.

Based on the inherent risk rating and risk treatments, the residual risk to the Shire is considered to be low.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That the Community Grants Committee recommends that Council:

1. Approves the following Signature Event applications for inclusion in the 2025/2026 Annual Budget
   (a) Tom Price Soccer Club for the 2026 Northwest Soccer Tournament - $15,000;
   (b) Tom Price Campdraft Inc for the 2026 Tom Price Campdraft - $10,000;
   (c) Onslow Rodeo for the 2026 Onslow Rodeo - $10,000;
   (d) Robe River Rodeo for the 2026 Robe River Rodeo - $10,000;
   (e) Tom Price AWARE for the 2026 AWARE Gala - $10,000;
   (f) Tom Price Nintirri for the International Women's Day Expo - $10,000; and
   (g) Tom Price Baptist Church for the Carols by Glowlight - $10,000.
2. Decline the following application:
   (a) Park Run.

Committee Decision

Moved **Cr M Lynch**

Seconded **Cr B Healy**

That the Community Grants Committee recommends that Council:

1. Approves the following Signature Event applications for inclusion in the 2025/2026 Annual Budget
   (a) Tom Price Soccer Club for the 2026 Northwest Soccer Tournament - $15,000;
   (b) Tom Price Campdraft Inc for the 2026 Tom Price Campdraft - $10,000;
   (c) Onslow Rodeo for the 2026 Onslow Rodeo - $10,000;
   (d) Robe River Rodeo for the 2026 Robe River Rodeo - $10,000;
   (e) Tom Price AWARE for the 2026 AWARE Gala - $10,000;
   (f) Tom Price Nintirri for the International Women's Day Expo - $10,000; and
(g) Tom Price Baptist Church for the Carols by Glowlight - $10,000.
2. Decline the following application:
   (a) Park Run.
3. The Council Policy - Community Donations, Grants and Funding be reviewed at the next Community Grants Committee Meeting.

For: **K White, M Lynch and B Healy**

Against: **Nil**

Carried 3/0

Reason for change:

Point 3 added to provide the opportunity to formally review the Council Policy - Community Donations, Grants and Funding to ensure alignment to Councils position on grants.

6.4 Community Support Grant Applications Round 1 - 2025/2026

File Reference	GS01
Applicant or Proponent(s)	Not Applicable
Author	J Murphy, Strategic Partnership Officer
Authorising Officer	C McGurk, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Previous Meeting Reference	Nil
Disclosure(s) of interest	Author – Impartiality
	Authorising Officer – Impartiality
Attachments	1. 2026 Community Support Grant Application Summary 2. 2026 Community Support Grant Applications_Round 1

Report Purpose

The Community Grants Committee (the Committee) is required to consider the Community Support Grant applications in accordance with Council Policy – Community Donations, Grants and Funding.

The purpose of this report is to provide the applications received for Community Support Grants (refer to Attachment 1) to the Committee for review. At the close of the application period, 11 applications were received.

Council is requested to support the Committee's recommended outcome for each application.

Background

The Shire provides Community Support Grants in accordance with Council Policy – Community Donations, Grants and Funding.

Grants are offered in two funding rounds each year, in July and February. There are two Tiers to this grant round as recently adopted by Council.

Tier 1 offers a value up to $2,500 and Tier 2 offers a value of up to $5,000. Applications are considered by the Community Grants Committee for subsequent recommendation to Council for determination.

Council Policy – Community Donations, Grants and Funding requires, as a minimum, the following criteria must be met to be successful:

- Applicant is to reside or operate within the Shire or be able to show a direct and substantial benefit to residents within the Shire.
- Assistance is not available retrospectively.
- Funds are to be used only for the purpose for which they are given or via agreed variations.
- Successful applicants are required to complete an acquittal report and submit this to the Shire within three months of the agreed completion date.
- Applicants who do not submit an acquittal will not be considered for future funding and they may be requested to return unused funds.

Comments

Round 1 of the Community Support Grants was promoted directly to clubs and organisations via email, and notices were placed on the Shire's public noticeboards, website and social media platforms.

As the Council policy and the Community grant guidelines were also recently introduced each previous applicant over the last two years was contacted and invited to attend a one-on-one teams discussion to go over any potential projects and applications.

At the close of the Round 1, 11 total applications were received, as follows:

- Onslow – one (1) application,
- Pannawonica – five (5) applications,
- Tom Price – three (3) applications,
- Paraburdoo – two (2) applications.

Furthermore, each applicant at the close of the round was contacted individually to discuss their application and followed up with an email requesting any supporting information. There are a number or groups that are still following up information, and if an application is approved, they have been advised that funds cannot be released without the supporting information.

All applications have been assessed on the:

- criteria outlined in Council Policy – Community Donations, Grants and Funding,
- general conditions, and
- criteria and compliance information provided.

The table below provides a summary of the applications received (refer to Attachment 2 for further information).

Tier 1

Town	Organisation	Project	Amount requested	Proposed Action
Tom Price	Tom Price Community Garden	CCTV and Shelving	$2,500	Approve
Paraburdoo	Paraburdoo Women's Softball Association	Carnarvon 2025 Northwest Softball Championships in September	$2,500	Approve
Tom Price	Ashburton Little Athletics Centre	Heavy Duty Trolleys and Large Storage Boxes	$2,500	Approve
Pannawonica	Pannawonica Golf Club	Golf clinic and lessons	$2,500	Approve
Pannawonica	Pannawonica Junior Sports	Purchase 2 x Soccer Goals	$2,190	Approve
Onslow	Onslow Sports Club (Bingo)	Purchase Bingo Calling System	$1,600	Approve
Pannawonica	Pannawonica Fishing Club	Fishing Competition over 2 weeks	$2,500	Approve

Town	Organisation	Project	Amount requested	Proposed Action
Pannawonica	Pannawonica Pythons	LED Score Board	$2,500	Approve
Paraburdoo	Paraburdoo Golf Club	Father's Day Event - Golf Tournament	$2,000	Approve

Tier 2

Town	Organisation	Project	Amount requested	Proposed Action
Tom Price	Mountain View Sporting Club	9 Tee Box upgrades	$4,000	Approve
Pannawonica	Pannawonica P & C	Fan Installation and 4 square painting	$5,000	Approve

The below table summarieses the distribution of the Community support grant allocation and the resulting availble funds subject to Council approval.

	GL	GL Amount	No. of Applications	No. of proposed for Approve	Amount $	GL Amount Remiaing
Tom Price	C0936	$ 15,000.00	3	3	$ 9,000.00	$ 6,000.00
Pannawonica	C0939	$ 15,000.00	5	5	$ 14,690.00	$ 310.00
Paraburdoo	C0945	$ 15,000.00	2	2	$ 4,500.00	$ 10,500.00
Onslow	C0953	$ 15,000.00	1	1	$ 1,600.00	$ 13,400.00
Total	CU24075	$ 60,000.00	11	11	$ 29,790.00	$ 30,210.00

Consultation

1. Clubs and groups – Each applicant was called to discuss the application and this was followed up with an email.
2. Communities Team – Members from the community team were consulted with to discuss and potential conflicting events or programs with the applications, and to ensure alignment with the Community Strategic Plan.
3. Council Grants Committee – The Grants Committee were emailed all correspondence, applications and attachments for review.
4. Executive Leadership Team – Through review of the Council report.

Strategic Community Plan

Shire of Ashburton Strategic Community Plan 2022-2032

Strategic Objective	1. People - We will support opportunities for the community to be safe, socially active, and connected.
Strategic Outcome	1.2 Communities connected with opportunities
Strategy	4 Support and develop sustainable clubs and groups, providing opportunities for meaningful participation in arts, culture, sport, and recreation.

Council Policy

Council Policies » Shire of Ashburton

Council Policy – Community Donations, Grants and Funding provides the guidelines for the applications and the criteria for assessment.

Financial Implications

Current Financial Year

The 2025/2026 Annual Budget provides $60,000 for both rounds of the Community Support Grants Tier 1 and Tier 2. If the applications are approved as per the recommendation a total of $29,790 will be spent from General Ledger CU24075.

Future Financial Year(s)

If the applications are approved as per the recommendation there will be $30,210 remaining on General Ledger CU24075 for FY 2024/2025 Round 2 in February 2026.

Legislative Implications

Local Government Act 1995

Section 6.7 – Municipal fund
Money held in the municipal fund may be applied towards the performance of functions and the exercise of the powers conferred on the local government by the *Local Government Act 1995* or any other written law.

Risk Management

Risk has been assessed against the Shire of Ashburton Risk Management Framework.

Theme	Risk	Likelihood	Consequence	Inherent Risk Rating	Risk Treatment
Reputation (social/ community)	Unsuccessful applicants publicly criticise the Shire.	Possible (3)	Insignificant (1)	Low (1-4)	Ensure appropriate policy and procedures are in place and followed. Officers to collaborate with clubs to improve future applications.

Based on the inherent risk rating and risk treatments, the residual risk to the Shire is considered to be low.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That the Community Grants Committee recommends that Council:

1. Approves the following applications:
   (a) Tom Price Community Garden for CCTV and Shelving - $2,500;
   (b) Paraburdoo Women's Softball Associations for the Carnarvon 2025 Northwest Softball Championships, September- $2,500;

(c) Ashburton Little Athletics Centre for Heavy Duty Trolleys and Large Storage Boxes - $2,500;

(d) Pannawonica Golf Club for Golf Clinic and Lessons - $2,500;

(e) Pannawonica Junior Sports for the purchase 2 x Soccer Goals - $2,190;

(f) Onslow Sports Club (Bingo) for the purchase of a Bingo Calling System - $1,600.

(g) Pannawonica Fishing Club for a Fishing Competition over 2 weeks - $2,500;

(h) Pannawonica Pythons for a LED Score Board - $2,500;

(i) Paraburdoo Golf Club for a Father's Day Event - Golf Tournament - $2,000.

(j) Mountain View Sporting Club for 9 Tee Box upgrades - $4,000; and.

(k) Pannawonica P&C for Fan Installation and 4 square painting - $5,000.

2. Notes that funds will not be released until all required supporting documentation has been provided by the applicant.

Committee Decision

Moved **Cr B Healy**

Seconded **Cr M Lynch**

That the Community Grants Committee recommends that Council:

1. Approves the following applications:

(a) Tom Price Community Garden for CCTV and Shelving - $2,500;

(b) Paraburdoo Women's Softball Associations for the Carnarvon 2025 Northwest Softball Championships, September- $2,500;

(c) Ashburton Little Athletics Centre for Heavy Duty Trolleys and Large Storage Boxes - $2,500;

(d) Pannawonica Golf Club for Golf Clinic and Lessons - $2,500;

(e) Pannawonica Junior Sports for the purchase 2 x Soccer Goals - $2,190;

(f) Onslow Sports Club (Bingo) for the purchase of a Bingo Calling System - $1,600.

(g) Pannawonica Fishing Club for a Fishing Competition over 2 weeks - $2,500;

(h) Pannawonica Pythons for a LED Score Board - $2,500;

(i) Paraburdoo Golf Club for a Father's Day Event - Golf Tournament - $2,000.

(j) Mountain View Sporting Club for 9 Tee Box upgrades - $4,000; and.

(k) Pannawonica P&C for Fan Installation and 4 square painting - $5,000.

2. Notes that funds will not be released until all required supporting documentation has been provided by the applicant.

.For: K White, M Lynch and B Healy

Against: Nil

Carried 3/0

Cr M Lynch disclosed an indirect financial interest in Item 6.5 (detailed in Item 4.2).

6.5 Request to Approve Pannawonica Dingoes Round 2 FY24/25 Funding in FY 25/26

File Reference	GS01
Applicant or Proponent(s)	Not Applicable
Author	J Murphy, Strategic Partnership Officer
Authorising Officer	C McGurk, Director Community Development
Previous Meeting Reference	Ordinary Council Meeting 15 April 2025 – [173/2024]
Disclosure(s) of interest	Author – Nil
	Authorising Officer – Nil
Attachments	Nil

Report Purpose

This report seeks the Community Grants Committees support to seek Council approval for the Pannawonica Dingoes Community Support grant application submitted in Round 1 of the FY2025/26 funding cycle.

The application requests retrospective funding for the purchase of a line marker, originally approved in Round 2 of FY 2024/25.

Background

On 15 April 2025, Council endorsed a grant of $2,500 to the Pannawonica Dingoes under the Community Support Grant Program (Round 2 FY 2024/25). The funding was allocated for the purchase of a line marker intended for shared use by the Pannawonica Football Team and the Pannawonica Cricket Club.

A letter of agreement was issued to the club on 29 April 2025, accompanied by a request to return the signed agreement and a completed new supplier form to facilitate payment. Due to the club representative's extensive involvement in coordinating multiple community events and programs, the required documentation was not returned until 21 July 2025.

In accordance with related Council policy and the Community Grant Guidelines, unclaimed funds within the approved financial year require a new application in the subsequent round. As such, the current submission is considered a request for retrospective funding.

Comments

While the guidelines clearly outline the requirement to reapply if funds are not claimed within the financial year, the club representative was unaware that this would apply in their case. The line marker was purchased with the understanding that reimbursement would follow, based on the original grant approval.

Given the circumstances, it is recommended that Council consider the application. The club acted in good faith and has demonstrated a commitment to enhancing community sports in the town. This situation also highlights an opportunity for the Shire to improve communication and support processes to ensure community members are fully informed of grant conditions and deadlines.

Consultation

Pannawonica Dingoes and Pannawonica Sports Club Committee was consulted with via phone and email, with a follow up site visit in July 2025.

Strategic Community Plan

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Strategic Outcome	1.2 Communities connected with opportunities
Strategy	4 Support and develop sustainable clubs and groups, providing opportunities for meaningful participation in arts, culture, sport, and recreation.

Council Policy

Council Policies » Shire of Ashburton

Community Donations, Grants and Funding

Financial Implications

Current Financial Year

There is currently $15,000 proposed in General Ledger C0939 Pannawonica Community Support grant budget allocation, if this is approved the remaining General Ledger allocation will be $12,500.

Future Financial Year(s)

Nil

Legislative Implications

Local Government Act 1995

Section 6.7 – Municipal fund
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Risk Management

Risk has been assessed against the Shire of Ashburton Risk Management Framework.

Theme	Risk	Likelihood	Consequence	Inherent Risk Rating	Risk Treatment
Reputation (social/ community)	If the grant is not approved it may cause discontent, and the club will have to raise funds to reimburse the purchase.	Unlikely (2)	Minor (2)	Low (1-4)	The Shire will continue to work with the committee for alternative funding methods, or programs and events to fundraise. The Shire will also work to improve processes to ensure it is well communicated in the future.

Based on the inherent risk rating and risk treatments, the residual risk to the Shire is considered to be low.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That the Community Grants Committee recommends that Council approve $2,500 towards the retrospective funding for the purchase of a line marker, originally approved in Round 2 of FY 2024/25 for the Pannawonica Dingoes.

Committee Decision

Moved **Cr M Lynch**

Seconded **Cr B Healy**

That the Community Grants Committee recommends that Council approve $2,500 towards the retrospective funding for the purchase of a line marker, originally approved in Round 2 of FY 2024/25 for the Pannawonica Dingoes.

Carried 3/0

Cr M Lynch disclosed an indirect financial interest in Item 6.6 (detailed in Item 4.2).

Cr B Healy disclosed an indirect financial interest in Item 6.6 (detailed in Item 4.2).

6.6 2026 Jarndunmunha (Nameless) Festival Sponsorship

File Reference	GS01
Applicant or Proponent(s)	Not Applicable
Author	J Murphy, Strategic Partnership Officer
Authorising Officer	C McGurk, Director Community Development
Previous Meeting Reference	Nil
Disclosure(s) of interest	Author – Nil
	Authorising Officer – Nil
Attachments	1. Jarndunmanha (Nameless) Festival Program and Budget Summary

Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek Council support in the sponsorship of the 2026 Jarndunmunha (Nameless) Festival.

Council is requested to support the 2026 Jarndunmunha (Nameless) Festival with a total sponsorship package of $150,000, with $75,000 from the Inspire Community Partnership and $75,000 from Shire funds.

Background

The Nameless Festival, also known as the Nameless Jundunmunnah Festival, is a significant annual event held in Tom Price. The festival has been an iconic event, run by an entirely volunteer committee and has been an integral part of the isolated community of Tom Price.

Beginning in 1969 as a one-day show made up entirely of novelty events. It then progressed in the late 1970's to a weeklong event. The festival included a variety of events such as a Teen Dance, a ball, crowning of the Nameless Queen, quizzes, music, art exhibitions, fireworks, and novelty events.

In the 1980's, the festival expanded to include an open-air concert, wood chopping and axe throwing competitions, bottomless boat races, inter-town tug of war with Paraburdoo, mini-Olympics, and a ball.

The 1990's saw the Great Camel Race staged in front of a large crowd with four camels racing five circuits of the oval. In 2011, the festival added the aboriginal name Jundunmunnah which means 'place of rock wallabies' in the language of Eastern Guruma, the Traditional Landowners.

The festival continued to evolve and grow, attracting bigger numbers each year and was cancelled in 2020 due to Covid-19, with a welcome return in 2022.

Comments

With a newly formed committee re-establishing the event as a key feature of the Tom Price community calendar. The committee plan to deliver a full four-day program reflecting both a celebration of the town's heritage and a strategic investment in its cultural and economic

future. The festival continues to hold strong relevance by fostering inclusivity, promoting regional tourism, supporting local businesses and artists, and encouraging youth engagement and volunteerism.

The proposed 2026 program retains iconic elements such as the King of the Mountain Race (in a new location), the Gardenia Ball, and the Festival Weekend, which includes a VIP Sponsors Evening, Twilight Markets, and a full-day festival program. These events are designed to engage both long-standing residents and new arrivals to town. The festival has already attracted interest from vendors and performers beyond the Pilbara region, signalling strong momentum and broad appeal.

The total projected budget for the festival is $450,000, with confirmed and proposed contributions from key stakeholders including Rio Tinto and the Shire of Ashburton ($75,000 each), and $100,000 allocated from committee reserves. A $200,000 grant application to Lotterywest is also planned, supported by professional grant consultants. The Nameless Committee has successfully held its Annual General Meeting, filled all executive positions, and commenced planning.

While a detailed delivery plan and budget overview have been provided (Attachment 1), further discussion is required to finalise sponsorship packages.

While the newly formed committee has demonstrated strong initiative and early planning for the 2026 festival, it is important to acknowledge that the event has faced challenges in recent years due to the inability to form a functioning committee. This history raises a level of risk in approving significant funding prior to the next AGM, as there is no guarantee of sustained leadership or operational continuity. While supportive of the current committee's efforts, any early release of funds should be carefully considered in light of this context, with appropriate safeguards or conditions to ensure accountability and delivery.

Consultation

Nameless committee via regular meetings in person and emails since the committee was able to form.

Rio Tinto, the upcoming application and forming of the committee has been discussed at regular partnership meetings and details in the Inspire Community project pipeline.

Strategic Community Plan

Shire of Ashburton Strategic Community Plan 2022-2032

Strategic Objective	1. People - We will support opportunities for the community to be safe, socially active, and connected.
Strategic Outcome	1.2 Communities connected with opportunities
Strategy	3 Provide, promote, and deliver social and cultural community celebrations, events, and activities.

Council Policy

Council Policies » Shire of Ashburton

Community Donations, Grants and Funding

Financial Implications

Current Financial Year

If approved, the 2026 Jarndunmunha (Nameless) Festival will be a total sponsorship package of $150,000, with $75,000 from the Inspire Community Partnership and $75,000 from Shire funds utilising General Ledger C3634.

Future Financial Year(s)

The Nameless Committee have been advised of the Shire of Ashburton's Council Policy - Community Donations, Grants and Funding which outlines our process to provide funding to Signature Events. Future funding will be considered under this policy.

Legislative Implications

Local Government Act 1995

Section 6.7 – Municipal fund

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Risk Management

Risk has been assessed against the Shire of Ashburton Risk Management Framework.

Theme	Risk	Likelihood	Consequence	Inherent Risk Rating	Risk Treatment
Reputation (social/community)	Failing to support such a major event in Tom Price could cause reputational damage to the Shire	Possible (3)	Minor (2)	Moderate (5-9)	To provide sponsorship support to the event that also supports Council strategy and policy.

Based on the inherent risk rating and risk treatments, the residual risk to the Shire is considered to be low.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That the Community Grants Committee recommends that Council endorse a sponsorship of the 2026 Nameless Jarndunmunha Festival for the amount of $150,000 from General Ledger C3634, subject to this funding being approved in the 2025/2026 Annual Budget and the following conditions being complied with:

1. The allocated sponsorship funding is not to be disbursed until the Chief Executive Officer is satisfied that the Nameless Festival Committee:
   (a) has held a successful Annual General Meeting by 31 December 2025, in accordance with the requirements outlined in their Constitution to ensure they have a committee to deliver the 2026 Nameless Jarndunmunha Festival;
   (b) has provided the Shire with a detailed 2026 Nameless Jarndunmunha Festival sponsorship package.

Committee Decision

Moved **Cr B Healy**

Seconded **Cr M Lynch**

That the Community Grants Committee recommends that Council endorse a sponsorship of the 2026 Nameless Jarndunmunha Festival for the amount of $150,000 from General Ledger C3634, subject to this funding being approved in the 2025/2026 Annual Budget and the following conditions being complied with:

1. The allocated sponsorship funding is not to be disbursed until the Chief Executive Officer is satisfied that the Nameless Festival Committee:
   (a) has held a successful Annual General Meeting by 31 December 2025, in accordance with the requirements outlined in their Constitution to ensure they have a committee to deliver the 2026 Nameless Jarndunmunha Festival;
   (b) has provided the Shire with a detailed 2026 Nameless Jarndunmunha Festival sponsorship package

.For: **K White, M Lynch and B Healy**

Against: **Nil**

Carried 3/0

7 New Business Of An Urgent Nature Introduced By Council Decision

Nil

8 Next Meeting

The next Community Grants Committee Meeting will be held at a date to be determined.

9 Closure Of Meeting

There being no further business, the Presiding Member closed the meeting at 10:45 am.

Agenda Item 6.1 - Attachment 1

Round 2 FY25_26 Grant Summary Review

Town	Club / Group	Project Name	Estimated project time	Risks	Total Project Cost	Application Notes	Request ($)	Officer Recomendation	Reason
Onslow	Onslow Sports Club	Onslow Sports Club Committee Compliance Training	Jun-26		$ 2,500.00	This project will support the upskilling of our volunteer committee members through essential accredited training, including Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA), Approved Managers, and Food Safety certification, depending on the role and responsibilities of each committee member.	$ 2,500.00	Approve	Alligns to Club Development Strategy
Onslow	NAIDOC Darts Association	NAIDOC Darts 2026	Jul-26	Onslow Sports club are also applying for a grant this round	$ 5,000.00	The NAIDOC Darts tournament is a fantastic and long-standing event that has been running for many years, drawing skilled players from all over the Pilbara. It's a highlight on the local calendar and offers a unique opportunity to celebrate NAIDOC Week through friendly competition, cultural pride, and community spirit. Beyond the darts itself, this event plays a significant role in bringing people together, fostering strong community ties, and promoting cultural recognition and inclusion. Onslow businesses will benefit from the additional people attending the event and supporters who will utilise the towns facilities and spend money at local businesses.	$ 2,500.00	Approve	Alligns to Community Strategic Plan
Pannawonica	Pannawonica Amateur Swim Club	Coaching Training and Accreditation		Under Auspice of the Pannawonica Sports club, who also auspiced three other groups in round 1	$ 2,498.00	The Pannawonica Amateur Swim Club is seeking funding to train and accredit three local volunteer coaches to meet the minimum safety, compliance, and coaching standards required in Western Australia. This project will cover the essential training pathway set by Swimming WA and Swimming Australia, including introductory coaching education, nationally recognised Development Coaching accreditation, annual coaching licences, CPR/First Aid renewal, Swimming WA memberships, and Working With Children Checks. This training is required for volunteers to safely deliver structured squad programs, support junior swimmers, and coach at sanctioned swim meets.	$ 2,498.00	Approve	Alligns to Club Development Strategy
Paraburdoo	Paraburdoo Men's Shed	Car Wash Bay	Completion in 12 months	Planning Application still under review, second hand container	$ 10,000.00	The Para Men's Shed aims to invest in the sustainability and longevity of our car maintenance equipment by establishing a designated area, known as the car wash bay. The committees invision for this station is that there will be 2 sea containers and a dome shelter positioned inside our boundary fence line so that members of our community can come to the shed and give their much-loved vehicles a clean by using our filtered water high-pressure wash trailer and car safe cleaning products.	$ 2,500.00	Approve	Alligns to Club Development Strategy, approval only if planning approval occurs
Paraburdoo	Paraburdoo Drive In	Sea Container for safe storage	Jun-26	Purchasing a second hand container	$ 2,500.00	Purchase a sea container to use as storage for property maintenance items ie- ride on mower, weed sprayer BBQ, maintenance tools and equipment, movie night merchandise and more	$ 2,500.00	Approve	
Parburdoo	Paraburdoo Saints Football Club	New Clubroom Stools	May-26		$ 1,985.00	The Paraburdoo Saints Football Club is seeking funding to replace worn bar table stools in our clubhouse. Due to years of regular use during games and club events, our existing seating is no longer safe or suitable and needs to be replaced. The club room is used regularly during home games and acts as a central meeting space for players, families, volunteers and community members. Providing safe and stable seating will improve comfort and accessibility for everyone who attends. This project will help ensure the clubhouse remains a welcoming and functional space for the Paraburdoo community to gather during football activities and other informal events held at the club.	$ 1,985.00	Approve	Alligns to Club Development Strategy
Tom Price	Tom Price Netball Association	Tom Price Netball Association	Jun-26	Approved in 2024 for the same thing, didn't apply in 2025 due to Grant guidelines	$ 40,000.00	We are seeking funding support to assist Tom Price Netball Association's travel and accommodation for our representative teams to compete in the 2026 Fuel to go & Play Association Championships in Perth held from 29th May to 1 June 2026. Competing in sports at Youth Level can be extremely expensive and costs add up quickly. Requested amount $2500 (to be applied specifically toward airfares and accommodation)	$ 2,500.00	Approve	Alligns to Club Development Strategy
Tom Price	Tom Price Sporting Shooter Association	Equipment & lighting purchases	Aug-26		$ 2,655.00	We would like to apply for this grant to have a custom-built rifle rack manufactured. These racks are not available as off the shelf items, and due to our local weather conditions, we require a purpose built solution that will provide long term durability. We have obtained a quote for the fabrication of this item through a supplier in Perth. In addition, we would like to purchase extra solar lighting to be installed at the ranges. This lighting is necessary to ensure safe access to the facilities after hours when natural light is not available. Installation will be carried out by our local qualified club members to minimise costs.	$ 2,500.00	Approve	Alligns to Club Development Strategy
Tom Price	Pilbara Inland Chamber of Commerce and Industry	PICCI Business Engagement & Feedback Sessions – Tom Price & Paraburdoo	Jun-26		$ 5,000.00	PICCI proposes to deliver Business Engagement & Feedback Sessions in both Tom Price and Paraburdoo to ensure equitable access for local businesses across the Shire of Ashburton. These sessions will provide a structured, inclusive environment where business owners can share their priorities, challenges, and expectations. The project is designed to foster stronger connections, encourage participation, and support a sense of belonging among local businesses. Through facilitated discussion, surveys, and open conversation, PICCI will gather meaningful insights that directly inform our service planning, workshop calendar, advocacy focus, and business support offerings for 2026 and beyond. Delivering the project in two towns ensures broad community benefit and aligns with the Shire's Community Access and Inclusion Plan. This approach strengthens regional economic development by ensuring PICCI's programs are shaped by the diverse needs of the business community.	$ 2,500.00	Approve	Alligns to Community Strategic Plan

Town	Club / Group	Project Name	Estimated project time	Risks	Total Project Cost	Application Notes	Request ($)	Officer Recomendation	Reason
Tom Price	Tom Price BMX Club	Tom Price BMX Club - Thrive Development Coaching	May-26		$ 4,650.00	Tom Price BMX Club is looking to host a Skills development weekend in May 2026. We would like to fly up 2 expert development coaches; Kesia & Shane, to upskill our riders. Kesia & Shane would like to work with all of our riders, from our Mini Wheelers Group, up to our adult riders. Tom Price BMX Club is a family orientated club that believes in supporting all riders feel confident in their skills on the track.	$ 2,500.00	Approve	Alligns to Club Development Strategy
Tom Price	Fusion Fitness	Fusion Fitness	Jul-26	Cardio Equipment & decorations for Mothers Day Clasic	$ 2,500.00	Fusion have run the Mothers day classic for the past 2 years, we would like to use some of this funding to purchase decorations for the day Additionally we would like to purchase a Cardio rower and ski erg to expand our equipment available. Mothers day classic has had 90+ local participants each year, we also raise funds that directly go to the charities. This day brings families together to enjoy a morning out. The additional equipment will assist us to cater our classes for injuries and individuals with limited movement	$ 2,100.00	Approve	Approve for the Cardio Equipment purchase - long term equipment, previous acquittal has been received
Onslow	Onslow Occy Swimming Club	Pilbara Champs 2026	Oct-26	They were previously approved for the same purpose in previous financial year - not in line with guidelines	$ 2,500.00	To support swimming families by reducing the financial burden of regional travel for competition participation. Funds will be used to assist with accommodation costs and will be distributed equitably based on the number of nights each swimming family stay (one or two nights).	$ 2,500.00	Decline	The applicant has requested funding to support travel and accommodation costs associated with attendance at the Pilbara Championships 2026. While officers acknowledge the value of supporting regional participation in sporting competitions, this application does not comply with the Community Support Grant Guidelines, as funding was approved for the same purpose in the previous financial year.
Pannawonica	PANNAWONICA PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED	ECE Outdoor play equipment upgrade	Oct-26	Have previously received a grant of $4000 towards fan installation in this Financial period	$ 7,450.00	The Pannawonica School P&C Association is seeking funding through the Shire of Ashburton's Community Support Grant Program to upgrade the Kindergarten (Early Childhood) outdoor play environment at Pannawonica Primary School. This project aims to provide safe, developmentally appropriate, and inclusive outdoor play equipment that supports the wellbeing, physical development and social engagement of children aged three to five years	$ 2,500.00	Decline	The applicant seeks funding to upgrade the Kindergarten (Early Childhood) outdoor play environment at Pannawonica Primary School. Officers acknowledge the merit of the project and its potential benefits for early childhood development; however, the applicant has already received $5,000 in Community Support Grant funding during the current funding round for a separate project.
Tom Price	Football West	North West Championships	Jun-26	Tom Price Soccer Club is currently a recipient for the Northwest Championships for $15,000 contribution, this could be considered a duplicated application	$ 29,487.00	Football West, in partnership with the Tom Price Soccer Association, will deliver the North West Championships in Tom Price from 28 May to 1 June 2026, bringing together junior teams, coaches, referees and volunteers from across the Pilbara and Kimberley regions of Western Australia. The event will combine competition with targeted development opportunities designed to strengthen regional football capacity.	$ 2,500.00	Decline	Tom Price Soccer Club is already a recipient of a $15,000 Signature Event Grant for the delivery of this same event. As the application relates to an event that has already been funded through an alternative Shire grant stream, this request is considered a duplicated application.

Agenda Item 6.1 - Attachment 2

Round 2 FY25_26 Grant Summary

	Initial			Applications				Final
Town	No. of Applications	Round 1 Expenditure	Remaining Budget	No of approval recommendations	Applications for approval	No of decline recommendations	Application for decline	Remaining Budget (after approvals)
Tom Price	6	$ 6,500.00	$ 8,500.00	5	$ 12,100.00	1	$ 2,500.00	-$ 3,600.00
Paraburdoo	2	$ 5,875.00	$ 9,125.00	2	$ 5,000.00	0	$ -	$ 4,125.00
Onslow	3	$ 1,600.00	$ 13,400.00	2	$ 5,000.00	1	$ 2,500.00	$ 8,400.00
Pannawonica	2	$ 17,190.00	-$ 2,190.00	1	$ 2,498.00	1	$ 2,500.00	-$ 4,688.00
	13	$ 31,165.00	$ 28,835.00	10	$ 24,598.00	3	$ 7,500.00	$ 4,237.00

Agenda Item 6.2 - Attachment 1

Grants Review 2025-2026

shire of Ashburton

Inspiring Youth Leaders Fund & Small Assistance Donation 6-month Review

FY25/26

Financial Summary

Category	Town	21/22 Expenditure	22/23 Expenditure	23/24 Expenditure	25/26 Expenditure
Small Assistance Donations	Onslow	$500.00	$1,000.00	$824.00	$500.00
	Pannawonica	$1,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
	Paraburdoo	$500.00	$660.00	$2,972.00	$1,000.00
	Tom Price	$6,000.00	$1,500.00	$1,500.00	$500.00
Council Initiated	Education Donations	$6,953.00	$6,992.00	$6,920.70	Upcoming
	Emergency Services	$5,000.00	$4,000.00	$4,000.00	Upcoming
Youth Grants	Onslow			$1,500.00	$750
	Pannawonica			$0.00	$750
	Paraburdoo			$0.00	$0
	Tom Price			$750.00	$2,250.00

Inspiring Youth Leaders Fund

Town	Application Received	Who	What	Amount	Comments
Tom Price	Aug-25	Domenosoul Rangimarie Taua-Latu	Driving Lessons	$750.00	Application Cancelled – as they received funding from another source
Tom Price	Aug-25	Mitchell O'Dea	3D Business Start up	$750.00	Approved
Onslow	Oct-25	Emily Spencer	First Aid Course	$750.00	Approved – but not claimed
Pannawonica	Dec-25	Maeson Harvey	YACWA's Youth Project Design Workshop	$750.00	Approved
Tom Price	Mar-26	An Le	To attend Talented and Gifted education (GATE) Camps	$750.00	Approved

Small Assistance Donation

Town	Application Received	Who	What	Amount	Comments
Paraburdoo	Sep-25	Karingal	Halloween Trivia Night	$500	Approved
Paraburdoo	Nov-25	St John of God - Paraburdoo	St John of God - Paraburdoo - Awards Night / Volunteer Recognition	$500	Approved
Onslow	Dec-25	Onslow Cricket Blast	Running Onslow cricket for free for young children in town - facility hire	$500	Approved
Tom Pirce	Feb-26	Cora Delaporte	Cora to attend junior state swimming championships	$500	Approved

Outstanding Community Support Acquittals

Town	Month Applied	Who	What
Tom Price	Aug-24	Impala Kart Club	Purchase of secured sea container
Onslow	Mar-25	Pilbara Trailblazers / Onslow Gazelles	Mothers Day Classic - 4 x Car Fuel for event, Accommodation in Karratha
Tom Price	Mar-25	Tom Price Motorcycle Club INC	help fix a few maintenance issues on our toilet & shower blocks & purchase additional retic supplies
Pannawonica	Aug-25	Pannawonica Golf Club	bring a golf pro to town to run a golf clinic and lessons
Pannawonica	Aug-25	Pannawonica Fishing Club	Fishing Competition over 2 weeks
Pannawonica	Aug-25	Pannawonica Junior Sports	Soccer Goals
Pannawonica	Aug-25	Pannawonica Dingoes Cricket Club	Line Marker
Pannawonica	Aug-25	Pannawonica Pythons	LED Score Board
Tom Price	Aug-25	Mountain View Sporting Club	9 Tee Boxes
Pannawonica	Aug-25	Pannawonica P&C	(2) x External Fans:, (3) x Four Court Squares: