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Community and sporting organisations in Gawler benefit from \$320,000 in funding

More than 20 local community and sporting organisations are being supported to recover from COVID-19, with a share of \$320,000 of funding from the Town of Gawler.

It was voted unanimously at the December 2020 Council meeting to provide the funding as part of Council's 2020/21 \$2 million Economic Stimulus Package.

The funding will support 21 sporting and community organisations that lease facilities from Council, to undertake minor upgrades and repairs or replace infrastructure.

Grants will also assist community organisations deliver community events and activities that make Gawler a great place to live, work and visit.

"Providing hundreds of thousands of dollars in funding is a fantastic way for Council to help local community and sporting organisations finish what has been a very challenging year," said Mayor Karen Redman.

"Gawler is home to many amazing community groups and sporting clubs that provide such important benefits and opportunities to thousands of kids, men and women across the town.

"The diverse array of events and projects that will be assisted by Council's funding shows how active local residents are in their community and how many exciting things are coming in the year ahead.

"Council has made it a priority to engage with local suppliers and contractors to be part of these projects and events, to maximise the tangible economic and social benefits the funding has for the community.

"An additional second round of funding for community events and activations will be released in the new year, so we encourage eligible organisations to apply."

Council's \$320,000 of funding was approved for organisations across three different stimulus programs:

- **Sporting organisation** provided to local sporting organisations leasing facilities from Council, to assist them in undertaking minor upgrades, repairs, or replacement to infrastructure that directly affects their provision of safe, functional, and fit for purpose active recreation and sporting facilities to the local community. Recipients include:
 - o Gawler & District Netball Association
 - o Gawler & District Tennis Association
 - o Gawler BMX Club
 - o Gawler Bowling Club
 - Gawler Central Sporting Club
 - o Gawler Petangue Club
 - o Karbeethan Sporting Association
 - South Gawler Football Club
 - o Willaston Football Club
- **Community facility upgrades** provided to local community organisations, that lease facilities from Council, to assist them in undertaking minor upgrades, repairs, or replacement to infrastructure that directly affect their provision of safe, functional, and fit for purpose facilities for the local community.

Recipients include:

- Evanston Gardens Progress Association
- o Gawler Community House
- Gawler Dog Training Club
- Gawler River Pony Club
- Gawler Scouts Group
- o Para Invitation Homing Pigeon Club
- o Willos Men's Shed
- **Community events and activation** provided to local community organisations to deliver community events and activation initiatives to help support a connected, inclusive, and creative town. Recipients include:
 - o Feros Care Gawler
 - o Gawler Agricultural, Horticultural & Floricultural Society
 - Gawler Apex Club
 - Rotary Club of Gawler Light
 - Zonta Club of Gawler

The second round of the stimulus program for community events and activations will be launched in February 2021, with more details to come.

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