

The logo for Central Coast Council is a white circle containing the text "Central Coast Council" in a dark blue, sans-serif font, arranged in three lines.

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Community Grants Program

2023-2024

Community Grants Program

- Council's Community Grants Program plays a critical role in strengthening our community by supporting local community groups and organisations to deliver worthwhile projects, programs and events to the community.
- Council offers 3 grant programs to the community: The Community Support Grant Program (CSP), Community Development Grant Program and the Community Events and Place Activation Program.
- Grass roots groups and organisations are often the pulse of local communities, and the glue holding the community together. These groups need advice, support, and small amounts of funding to get going, keep going and continue to provide much needed support, programs, activities and events to the community.



Image: Gosford Youth Regatta



Image: Five Lands Walk

Community Grants Program

- Without small amounts of funding from Community Grants Programs, many of the supported activity would never get off the ground, and the value of the services/ programs/ events/activities that these groups provide, the volunteers they attract, and their impact on communities would be lost.
- Grant funded community-based programs, activities, and events contribute to tackling the root causes of costly social issues, which in turn save vital dollars for ratepayers and government.
- In economic terms, analysis undertaken indicated a return on investment of 8:1 for Council's Community Grants. For every dollar allocated through the Community Grants program eight dollars was effectively delivered in community outcomes.



Image: China Australia Friendship

| Grant Name | Annual Funding | Recommended Amount | Application Numbers | Recommended Applications | Maximum Funding per Application |
|--|----------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Community Support Grant | \$300,000 | \$124,609 To date | 9 This Round | 8 This Round | \$5,000 |
| Open all year | | \$29,808 This Round | | | |
| Community Development Grant | \$300,000 | \$299,667 | 62 | 22 | \$20,000 |
| Community Events and Place Activation Grant | \$300,000 | \$297,375 | 48 | 21 | \$20,000 |

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Ordinary Council Meeting
31 October 2023

Acquisition of Land for Public Purpose –
235 Scenic Drive Colongra

Proposed Colongra Sporting Facility

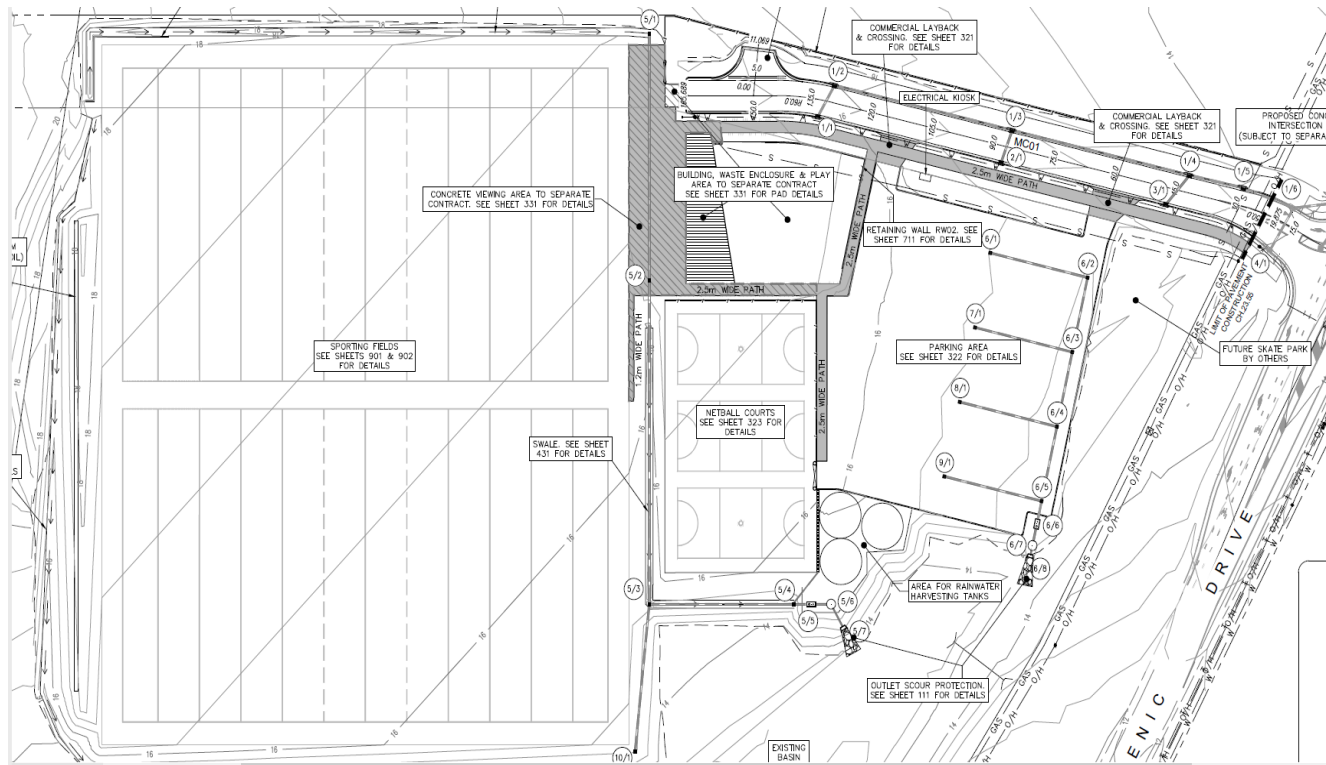
- Multi sport design
- Netball/Basketball courts
- Formalised parking
- Fit for purpose amenities building
- Irrigation and drainage
- Competition standard lighting
- Accessible playspace



Site of Proposed Land Acquisition for Construction of Colongra Sporting Facility



Next Steps



- Finalise land purchase
- Review detailed designs
- Review approvals
- Tender for construction
- Appoint contractor and construct