



7 June 2021

### **Support for Item 4.1.1.6 – Federal Village Masterplan**

Federal Village Masterplan Steering Group, working closely with Byron Shire Council, is leading the Federal Village Masterplan process. Council's support for this process was resolved on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2020 at the Council (Planning) Meeting (refer Resolution 20-689).

The exhibited draft Operational Plan 2021-22 confirms Council's support for continuing with and finalising The Federal Village Masterplan on page 66 at 4.1.1.6: Support the Federal Community Village Masterplan Steering Group to undertake community led Masterplanning for Federal.

The Federal Village Masterplan Steering Group supports the inclusion of Item 4.1.1.6 in the Operational Plan 2021-22.

### **Request for Additional Item – Federal Village Main Street Movement and Place Detailed Design**

Resolution 20-689 from 10 December also included point 7: That Council acknowledges that a detailed design of the Federal Village main street is a priority 'construction grant ready' project, and that a forward budget bid be considered for the 2021/22 operational plan process.

The project scope for this work is included at Appendix A which notes a required budget of approximately \$65,000 - \$75,000 (TBC).

The Masterplan Steering Group considers it imperative that the funds necessary to progress this resolution be allocated as a matter of urgency to address current movement and access safety issues in Federal.

This video and photo show the extent of some of these safety issues. Additional reports have also been included as background to these matters (see References 1, 2 and 3).

- Link to Federal Video: <https://vimeo.com/538910381/1bc1ce8b49>



The Masterplan Steering Group and many members of the community have completed considerable data, survey, and consultation work to feed into the preparation of a detailed shovel ready plan which would enable Council to be ready to apply for future grants to construct main street upgrades.

**Therefore, the Steering Group urgently submits that this modest budgeting item be explicitly included within the 2021/22 budget.**

This budget bid is supported also by the Place Planning Collective – refer Appendix B.

# Appendix A

From Council resolution resolved on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2020 at Council's Ordinary Meeting (planning): File No, 13.4 Resolution 20-689

## ***Short Term Urgent Project – Federal Village Movement and Access Detailed Plan***

While many of the Federal Village Masterplan actions will not be described in detail until the process is complete, it is clear from previous work and the motivation of this project that there is an urgent need to fund and commence a Movement & Access Detailed Plan for the Federal main street. Identified as the number one concern of residents, this item should not wait to begin until the end of initial community discussions because it is the core of all other discussions. It is the foundation block for detailing the remaining focus points of the Masterplan, whose details cannot be advanced without the results of this item.

Establishing this detailed plan would enable Council to be ready to apply for future grants to construct the main street upgrades when they arise.

This project study area and scope is detailed below.



*Image of Movement and Access Detailed Plan study areas*

Title	Federal Village Masterplan Movement and Access Detailed Plan
<b>Scope</b>	<p>Refer to plan below in relation to scope Study Areas. The Plan should where possible anticipate future needs into design outcomes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For Primary Study Area (red): Provide a detailed plan for Federal, - 300m approximate length. Plan to include detailed design of pedestrian paths and crossings, cycle provisions, carriage way, bus stops, parking, speed limits, landscaping, and stormwater management;</li> <li>For Secondary Study Area (yellow): Provide a integrated plan for approach roads to the main street to identify speed limits, traffic calming measures and other consideration which arise (e.g. PAMP/Bike Plan requirements); and</li> <li>Cost estimate of works</li> </ul>
<b>Project Preparation Work</b>	<p>Background Movement and Access study. This could be carried out by community and staff and is aligned with the Council Resolution from 27 August 2020 (<i>refer Res 20-418</i>). Study to analyse:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>pedestrian movements and barriers to these;</li> <li>cyclist movements and barriers to these;</li> <li>bus networks;</li> <li>private vehicle movements and car parking;</li> <li>other key streetscape elements such as stormwater management and landscaping; and</li> <li>gather and consolidate current &amp; previous town planning information around pedestrian and bike paths with a view to acknowledgement and perhaps expansion during this Movement Study.</li> </ul> <p>Detailed project brief development by Steering Group and staff. To include project aims and objectives etc.</p>
<b>Background</b>	<p>Establishing this detailed plan would enable Council to be ready to apply for future grants to construct main street upgrades.</p> <p>The outcomes of this detailed plan will have a large bearing on other parts of the Federal Village Masterplan under discussion.</p>
<b>Cost Estimate</b>	\$65,000 - \$75,000 (to be confirmed)
<b>Timing</b>	July to December 2021 (if survey already complete)
<b>Responsibility</b>	<p>Byron Shire Council to procure consultant to undertake the work.</p> <p>The Federal Village Masterplan Steering Group to be part of the brief development and tender selection process.</p>
<b>Category</b>	Infrastructure
<b>Impact Rating</b>	<p>High</p> <p>This project would be a step forward to address existing pedestrian safety risks. It would also provide broad benefit to residents, businesses and visitors who all use the village centre.</p> <p>The outcomes of this detailed plan will have a large bearing on other parts of the Federal Village Masterplan under discussion.</p>
<b>Strategic Consistency</b>	<p>Would need to align with the Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan Action FE001.</p> <p>To align with community action plans around road safety, greenspace and 'Living Village'.</p>
<b>Consultation</b>	The consultant would work closely and directly with the Federal Village Masterplan Steering Group and key stakeholders.

# Appendix B

## Letter of Support from Place Planning Collective



The General Manager  
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**7 June 2021**

To whom it may concern,

We are writing to express our support for the Federal Village Masterplan Submission to the 2021/2022 Council Budget.

As a group of community members who have experience in the Masterplanning space, we know the value of having funding for priority projects, and the community support and enthusiasm this can bring for a project.

We believe the Federal Main Street design project urgently needs the financial support of Council, as this is a major safety issue for the Federal community.

We also note the extensive work that the Federal Village Masterplan Steering Committee have already put into this and will continue to do.

The Place Planning Collective requests that Council consider the bid for \$70,000 (TBC) for the 2021/2022 budget to undertake a detailed design of the Federal Main Street, as this project is of the utmost importance.

Yours sincerely,

**The Place Planning Collective – Community Members**

- Clare Hopkins
- David Brown
- Jack Dods
- Jenny Bird
- Alan Goldstein
- Jenna Reed Burns
- Madeleine Faught
- Natalie Eggenberger
- Sasha Mainsbridge

## References

Refer to <http://www.bit.ly/federalmasterplan>

1. Federal Village Masterplan Movement Study
2. Federal Village Masterplan Door-to-door Survey Summary
3. Online Survey Results