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COMMUNITY TO CONTRIBUTE TO COONAMBLE'S NEXT CHAPTER

Regionally based collaboration sala4D and Manning PR are excited by the opportunity to work with Coonamble Shire Council along with the community of the Coonamble Shire to develop a masterplan for the region, including the villages of Gulargambone and Quambone.

To do this they need the residents help.

The Coonamble Shire Council recently secured the landscape architecture firm and branding specialists to assist with strategic planning that will provide an exciting programme of works for the local government area.

Community consultation is an essential element of the masterplan and sala4D have already begun the process of gathering information through on-site conversations and face-to-face interviews, and along with Manning PR plan to hold group workshops, distribute a school student survey and invite individuals to provide their feedback through a digital and printed survey.

"The information we gather from community members is essential to the recommendations we present," said Manning PR director Holly Manning. "We'll compile the material gathered and this will be the foundations of plans for the future development of the Shire. It's a valuable process that ultimately will give us a greater understanding of the community, what it values in terms of infrastructure and natural attributes, and how residents and tourists will use the available spaces and facilities in the future."

The Coonamble Shire Masterplan will provide guidance for Council in investment planning, and certainty for the community in their expectations for delivery.

The principle objectives of the Masterplan are to:

- Revitalise Coonamble with a focus on its grounds, amenities, signage, Visitor Information Centre and attractions such as the bore baths;
- Provide an inviting street presence for locals and visitors and to establish Coonamble Shire as a preferred visitor stopover point;
- Reflect the heart and soul of the community;
- Deliver well-designed public places, such as the bore baths, that bring economic, social and environmental benefits to enhance the daily lives of our community;
- Create a theme and brand.

sala4d and Manning PR invite the community to participate in gathering an understanding of what residents see as the main features of the Shire. Surveys will be available via the Coonamble Shire Council website and office from 22 November. Members of the community are invited to attend the workshops below;

Community Consultation Workshops

Quambone 3-5pm Sunday 24 November, Quambone Hall

Gulargambone: 7-9pm Sunday 24 November, Gulargambone Hall

Coonamble: 7-9pm Monday 25 November, Bowling Club

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