Quinns Rocks Caravan Park Redevelopment
Q/A Document

Q1. What is the scope of this investigation?
Answer: The City is investigating potential feasible options to establish a “tourist” park on the site of the former Quinns Rocks Caravan Park - Lot 211 Quinns Road, Mindarie. There is currently no proposal and no options from which to select. The City is engaging early with the community to ensure that community and stakeholder feedback will be considered in our decision-making for any future proposal at the site.

Q2. What’s the difference between the proposed “tourist park” and previous “caravan park”?
Answer: A tourist park may consist of a mix of caravans, tents, cabins or apartments for short-term holiday accommodation for holiday makers in the area. Before the previous caravan park was closed down in 2014, it was attracting mainly permanent residents and no longer holiday makers.

Q3. Why was the historical Quinns Rocks Caravan Park closed down?
Answer: The Park was first established in 1946 and over time became run-down. It was owned and operated by the City and needed to close due to health and safety concerns and because it was no longer financially viable.

Q4. Why does the city need a tourist park?
Answer: The land, which has been vacant for four years, has been zoned for Parks and Recreation purposes since the 1940’s. It is close to amenities and the beach and addresses a significant shortfall for accommodation in Perth’s northern coastal area. The City regularly gets enquiries from visitors and tourists on the nearest caravan parks and motorists with caravans still driving to the site looking for a place to stay. A tourist park will activate the site, providing valuable employment opportunities and helping to support surrounding businesses.

Q5. What size will the proposed tourist park be?
Answer: The size of the potential tourist park has not yet been determined. The aim will be to utilise the existing Caravan Park site (2 hectares, with approximately 50 sites) – not the entire Lot 211 site, which is (11 hectares and includes the current carpark, Portofino’s, surf club / community centre, bushland and foreshore public open space).

Q6. What is the timing of the investigation?
Answer: The idea of creating a prime tourism location at the site was developed through the City’s draft economic development strategy, which was advertised for public comment in early 2016. In August 2017 the City began examining the feasibility of redeveloping the Mindarie site. The study has now moved into the next phase where we will further examine the technical and financial considerations, as well as market conditions and demand for this option. This phase of the study is likely to be completed by mid-2019.

Q7. What are the anticipated outcomes of the investigation?
Answer: Our aim is to gather sufficient information to identify if the option of creating a tourist park is viable. If so, we would then go to the market seeking Expressions of Interest for the development and/or ongoing management of the site.

Q8. What level of involvement will the community and stakeholders have during the study?
Answer: During this next phase, interested stakeholder and community groups, as well as local residents, are invited to get involved and have a say on the study. We will invite interested stakeholders, community groups and residents to participate in the engagement, ensuring any concerns and aspirations for the site are captured and considered. A series of workshops are being planned and community representatives will be invited to participate. The consultation period has been extended to December 2018 to give more people the opportunity to be involved and better understand the investigation.

Q9. How can I stay informed in the study or get involved in it?
Answer: Through our Your Say Community Engagement Hub on our website, you can subscribe to this project. You will then receive email updates leading up to and after important milestones, including invitations to participate in relevant activities and events.