

Bowning Hall Playground Shade Sail

Bowning Hall Association

Yass Valley Council

Funding requested: \$65,000

Summary: The Bowning Hall Association Inc. is proposing the installation of a shade sail over the community playground located at 5 Short Street, Bowning NSW. The shade sail, approximately 14m x 12m in size, will provide essential sun protection, allowing children, youth, and families to safely use the playground during hot summer days. The playground is a key gathering point for the local community, offering a space for social interaction, recreation, and connection. This project aligns with the Bowning Village Masterplan, which identified the need to upgrade the toddler play space with new equipment and shade to improve safety and usability.

Community value: The Playground Shade Sail Project will enhance community wellbeing, safety, and connectivity in Bowning. By providing protection from extreme heat, the shade sail will increase the usability of the playground throughout the day, encouraging outdoor activity and social interaction among children, youth, and families. As the only public meeting point for local youth, the playground plays a vital role in reducing social isolation and fostering community engagement. The project supports HumeLink's priority areas of community connection and social legacy by improving public infrastructure and creating a more inclusive, accessible environment. It also aligns with broader community planning goals and complements ongoing upgrades to the playground and surrounding parkland. Long-term sustainability will be ensured through the Hall Association's maintenance program, supported by Yass Valley Council.



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