

Tarcutta Recreational Group Infrastructure Improvement Plan

Tarcutta Racecourse

Wagga Wagga City Council Funding requested: \$375,000

Summary: The Tarcutta Recreational Grounds Infrastructure Improvement Plan proposes a multi-stage upgrade to transform the site into a safer, more inclusive, and sustainable community hub. The project includes:

- Power upgrades to three-phase, reducing reliance on diesel generators and enabling larger events.
- Installation of 12 powered campsites to support multi-day events and generate income.
- Solar panels to reduce operational costs and environmental impact.
- Construction of 24 permanent horse yards and a concrete wash bay to improve safety and animal welfare.
- Development of a 70m x 40m all-weather enclosed arena for year-round equestrian and community use.
- Water infrastructure upgrades to support hygiene, maintenance, and animal care.

These improvements will enhance the site's capacity to host equestrian events, motorsports, community gatherings, and educational programs. The project will be delivered by a working group representing key user groups and supported by local trades and contractors.

Community value: This project will deliver long-term social, educational and economic benefits for Tarcutta and the wider region. Upgraded infrastructure will enable the grounds to host more frequent and diverse events, increasing community participation, tourism and local spending. The power upgrade and solar installation will reduce noise, emissions, and costs, while powered campsites will improve safety and visitor experience. Permanent horse yards and a wash bay will enhance animal welfare and event logistics, while the enclosed arena will support year-round use for equestrian sports, clinics and community events. The site will also serve as a venue for youth training in horsemanship, motorsports, and land management, with local contractors gaining employment and skills through project delivery. The project positions Tarcutta as a model for how small communities can leverage infrastructure investment for longterm benefit.



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