



# ATTACHMENTS

Special Council Meeting  
28 April 2026



**ATTACHMENT 5.1A**  
**Minutes – Community Benefit Fund Advisory**  
**Committee Meeting 7 April 2026**



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Committee Meeting  
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## NOTICE OF MEETING

Dear Committee Members,

You are hereby notified that the Ramelius Resources, Shire of Narembeen and Go Narembeen Community Benefit Fund Advisory Committee Meeting has been convened for:

**Date:** Tuesday 7 April 2026

**At:** Narembeen Community Resource Centre  
Churchill Street, Narembeen

**Commencing:** 4.00pm

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## 1. Official Opening and Welcome

The Chairperson welcomed everyone and declared the meeting open at 4.00pm.

## 2. Record of Attendance / Apologies / Leave of Absence

### Committee:

Cr Amy Hardham	Chairperson
Mr Damion Geier	Ramelius Resources – dialled in
Mrs Sheree Thomas	Go Narembeen

### Staff:

Ms Georgia Atkins	Shire of Narembeen (minute taker)
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### Apologies:

Nil

## 3 Disclosure of Interest

Cr Amy Hardham declared a proximity interest for the Narembeen Swimming Club application.

## 4 Confirmation of Previous Meetings

### 4.1 Community Benefit Fund Advisory Committee Meeting 12 November 2025 Attachment 4.1A

#### Recommendation – Item 4.1

That the minutes of the Ramelius Resources and Shire of Narembeen Community Benefit Fund Advisory Committee held on 12 November 2025 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings

**MIN 8148/26**

**Moved:** Daimon Geier

**Seconded:** Sheree Thomas

## 5. Financial Statement

Financials attached.

## 6. Assessment of Applications

Advisory Committee to assess grant applications from the following groups/clubs:

### 6.1 RRSNCBF

Club/Group	Project/Event	Amount
Mt Walker Sports Club	Sporting Challenge	\$1,500
Naremben Seniors Citizens Social Centre	Every Minute Matters	\$1,949.55
Naremben P&C	Art Mural	\$5,250
Naremben Cricket Club	Equipment Purchases	\$1,200
Naremben Playgroup	Fencing Project	\$2,727
Naremben Football Club	Equipment Update	\$5,680.35
Naremben CRC	Morning Coffee Club	\$1,300
Naremben Swimming Club	Pace Clock	\$1045.45
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$20,652</b>

### COMMENTS

#### Mt Walker Golf Club

This event has received funding previously. The current application was incomplete and lacked sufficient detail. Given the high number of applications received, it is recommended to partially fund this request to the amount of \$1,000.

#### Naremben Senior Citizens Social Centre

The application seeks funding for a defibrillator and storage case for the centre. Considering the primary users are seniors and the organisation is making a strong financial contribution; it is recommended that this application be fully funded.

#### Naremben P&C

This is a well-prepared application with a significant financial contribution from the organisation. It is recommended that the full amount requested be approved.

#### Naremben Cricket Club

The application lacks clarity, particularly regarding how the funds will be allocated. As the items can be sourced locally, it is recommended that the club be invited to provide further detail and submit a strengthened application in the October funding round.

#### Naremben Playgroup

Following relocation, the new premises lack appropriate boundary fencing for children, and the site is located on Shire land. The group has secured sponsorship and undertaken fundraising efforts. It is recommended that the application be approved.

### **Naremben Football Club**

This is a strong and detailed application. However, no additional financial contribution has been indicated, and the club is in a sound financial position. It is recommended to partially fund the application in the amount of \$4,500.

### **Naremben CRC**

It is considered that participants, particularly seniors, could contribute a small amount towards the proposed outing. It is recommended that the application be partially funded in the amount of \$650.

### **Naremben Swimming Club**

The existing clock is outdated and requires replacement. This is a strong application with clear justification. It is recommended that the application be approved.

## **Recommendation / Committee Resolution – Item 6.1**

That the Ramelius Resources and Shire of Naremben Community Benefit Fund Advisory Committee recommend that Council approve the following grant applications:

<b>Club/Group</b>	<b>Project/Event</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Mt Walker Sports Club	Sporting Challenge	\$1,000
Naremben Seniors Citizens Social Centre	Every Minute Matters	\$1,949.55
Naremben P&C	Art Mural	\$5,250
Naremben Playgroup	Fencing Project	\$2,727
Naremben Football Club	Equipment Update	\$4,500
Naremben CRC	Morning Coffee Club	\$650
Naremben Swimming Club	Pace Clock	\$1,045.45
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$17,122</b>

The acquittal date is to be completed prior to next round or when project/event is completed

**MIN 8149/26**

**Moved** Sheree Thomas

**Seconded** Daimon Geier

## 7. Other Business

### 7.1 Outstanding Projects

#### Wadderin Wildlife Sanctuary

The Committee have completed about 5km of the 20km project. The fence is approximately 10km and the scope includes replacing wire on the outside and inside of the fence. It is slow work due to the number of volunteers, however they are proud of the progress to date.

Go Naremben are partnering with Wadderin to hopefully recruit some additional volunteers from sporting groups who are wanting to raise money.

#### Naremben Lions Club

Merredin Cash for Containers pulled out, therefore conversations need to be revisited. The Lions Club are waiting on the Shire to arrange a meeting.

### 7.2 Ramelius Update

Daimon advised that Ramelius will no longer provide funding for the Community Benefit Fund. He noted that there are several matters occurring in the background that cannot be disclosed at this time. The next steps will be discussed with the Advisory Committee and the CEO.

### 7.3 Application Criteria

The application criteria should be updated to state that cash or in-kind contributions included within an application will be viewed favourably.

A meeting to be set up with Georgia, Sheree, Amy and Bec to discuss the criteria.

### 7.4 Suggested Round 11 Dates (to be confirmed)

Applications Open – 1 October 2026  
Applications Close – 31 October 2026  
Assessment Panel Meet – 2nd Wednesday after applications close  
Agenda Item Prepared for Council – Week prior to November 2026 meeting  
Recommendation Presented to Council – November 2026 Meeting  
Applicants Notified – End of November 2026  
Acquittal Due – Completion of Project OR before next round

## 8. Closure of Meeting

The next meeting is to be advised.

There being no further business, the chair declared the meeting closed at 4.29pm