

Reference Number	Town	Feedback on Multi Purpose Centre Feasibility Study
1	Tumbarumba	I am a homeowner in Tumbarumba. I do not support this project. I will not be using this facility as I cannot justify driving almost a 2 hour roundtrip. Is this facility meant to be funded and maintained by the now combined Snowy Valley council? The shire consists of more townships than Tumut. Rate payers of Tumbarumba, Batlow, Adelong, Cabramurra, Khancoban, Rosewood and Talbingo and all the places in between should not have to pay for a facility that services Tumut only. The last census showed Tumut had a population of 6230 residence. The population of the entire combined shire is estimated at 14953. So more than half this shire will not benefit from this ridiculously expensive proposal. From page 16 of your proposal, the township of Tumbarumba is excluded from your targeted demographic.
2	Talbingo	It's all about Tumut. Would be more appropriately placed nearer Shires geographical centre. In any event, pedestrian and vehicular traffic cause significant distraction and trouble on the Highway, even only due to the Netball Courts. The facility, and the Netball Courts, should not be on the Highway.
3	Tumut	I could see my kids using the facility through school and sporting groups. I am concerned that financials provided in the report seem unrealistic, for example insurance costs are predicted as approximately \$3000 per year, which seems a small fraction of what it will cost to insure a \$15m build in addition to public liability insurance and other insurances that will be required. From my experience, having managed indoor aquatic centres and sports centres, I can suggest that the use of the indoor pool is likely to be reduced during summer months, as people prefer to swim outside, however the report doesn't reflect seasonal changes in revenue. It also doesn't mention how the pool shall be treated, so I can't understand \$8000 per year for chemicals. More accurate costing is required.
4	Tumbarumba	This project is an appalling waste of our money and will continue to be into the future. There can not be any reason that this project should go ahead. The cost vs benefit ratio is so out of proportion no sane council could ever even consider it. One wonders why on earth this project has already had thousands of dollars wasted on it and why is it the priority over all other already community accepted projects? Why is Council so hell bent on this appalling scheme? Why does Council want to spend over half the annual budget on something that will send the Council further into debt every year? Put simply, this project must not go ahead and no further rate payers money wasted.

5	Tumut	I personally support the Multi Purpose Centre. It will be an asset to the Snowy Valleys community. The current location I am not a fan as it's too close to an important asset in the water treatment plant. So much infrastructure would have to be moved or modified(eg. rising water mains and storm water main high and low voltage power lines etc) to incorporate the centre in that location. If it needs to be built on the highway let's move it up from the water plant say around 250 meters and build there. Or build it on the bull paddock where the Turf wicket is and relocate the turf wicket down to the river glade complex. Another location could be Jack Lockeridge park across from the hospital. It would be a perfect spot for a multi purpose centre. Just a thought.
6	Tumbarumba	I do not support the development of the Multipurpose Centre proposed for Tumut. It is a poorly conceived idea which burdens the community with ongoing and crippling debt. The feasibility study fails to demonstrate the need for such a facility beyond anecdotal appeals from groups with strong vested interests. It also fails to fully account for the capital costs (such as the necessary moving the council depot) which will inevitably blow out massively. Further, the proposed centre will be no benefit to the southern half of the shire, as a round trip of two hours to go swimming or similar doesn't make sense. SVC has proceeded with this project to feasibility stage without consulting the community, without including the idea in the Community Strategic Plan. This arrogance must stop.
7	Tumbarumba	I think this is another example of the stupidity of Local Government. Whatever you do don't communicate with ratepayers - they might torpedo your grand scheme. I do not believe that this could be a money spinner in any small community such as Tumut. Time an administrator was put in charge instead of the clowns trying to run the show.
8	Tumbarumba	Saying that I am disgusted with this proposal, is not enough, you talk about svc serving everyone across the shire and you come up with this proposal, it will only be used by tumut and surrounding areas, not down sth of tumut at all, tumut is getting a new swimming pool and now this, then you have the hide to say that you are serving all of the shire, BULLSHIT
9	TUMBARUMBA	Please do not proceed with project. The residents of Tumbarumba are already looking at a rate increase because of the merger and we do not wish to continue to prop up projects, ill conceived, expensive and unlikely to be of benefit to any Tumbarumba or any Southern residents

10	Tumbarumba	I don't support the proposed development. Money would be better spent developing heated pools in Tumbarumba and Tumut in a manner such as in Junee or Guyra. The aim of having an indoor Centre is to make swimming available throughout winter. By building the Centre in Tumut, it leaves it unavailable to the population centers.
11	Tumbarumba	No I do not support this so-called 'Regional' Multi-Purpose Centre for the Snowy Valleys region. It is for Tumut not the region. I do not go to Tumut. I will not use it. It will be a great financial burden to all in the region. It will deprive the children and young people in my village and other villages in SVC of finances and investments of finances for facilities in other villages in SVC. If you really need something like this for the people of Tumut - build something that is much less expensive and will be able to have an income that covers the ongoing operational cost. Councillors - you are spending and committing our money that we can not afford. Who put this proposal to the councillors? Why are councillors voting on something that is not even on the Strategic Plan?????
12	Tumbarumba	The feasibility study is a waste of time both towns have pools and basketball courts which can be utilised quite well. Tumbarumba swimming club is a thriving club which has improved the strokes of many a swimmer. Have a look at the Oasis in Wagga and ask how well that is travelling has been a money pit of Wagga for years. The population projected is declining so who would fund the future of the Multipurpose centre. It looks to me that the centre is a status symbol for councillors to put their name too.
13	TUMBARUMBA	Before I go any further I don't know why my email address is required or why I'm asked for my phone as before when I have given both and requested a reply and I know that the Tumut run council as always are going to do what they want and send another council broke the same as the previous council. Answers to each question in same order as asked. . Not at ALL . Not at ALL . IT'S a WASTE of Rate payers and Tax payers money ' The only comment about Design it should be put in the FIRE . If the council is that arrogant to build this sports centre when they know how much of a burden it is going to be on the ratepayers then either user pays or let those who live in the northern end of the council who benefit from this building pay the extra in their rates.

14	Tumbarumba	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * I do not see any benefit for the southern end of the shire * Not at all * N/A *N/A * User Pays
15	Tumbarumba	<p>I do not support the building if this complex. I think it's extremely unprofessional and irresponsible to build such a thing when there are shire hot spots desperately needing urgent repairs & improvements to maintain or god forbid improve the lives of existing rate payers. This is yet another example of mis management of funds & failure the have any idea of succession planning towards a better & more financially viable future. God help us. As no government seems to give a crap.</p>
16	Khancoban	<p>I was not able to attend the meeting in Khancoban but I can't believe that any Council would put its Ratepayers into a situation where they will be forever in debt for something that most of them don't want and will not use. I never go to Tumut and cannot envisage a 4 hour round trip over bad roads with ice and snow in Winter to use the Multi Purpose Centre. Khancoban people travel to Albury which takes the same amount of time to attend Medical specialist appointments or for major shopping. I don't know of anyone in Khancoban who travels to Tumut unless they are on their way to Sydney for holidays. The Khancoban community doesn't even have a place to meet or to hold a function so why would we support a Taj Mahal in Tumut which will make our rates rise and give us no benefit.</p>

17	Tumut	<p>I would support RMPC for the SVC in Tumut, I really would say it's an urgent requirement for this town and region as sport can change peoples lives and the RMPC is atleast 20 years overdue.</p> <p>I'm definitely would use it if indoor sports such as indoor cricket was to make a comeback but my three kids and friends definitely would severalbtimes of the week for sports such as basketball, netball, indoor cricket, indoor soccer etc I do see this facility as a great place for the reemergence of these indoor sports that use to be played in tumut.</p> <p>The concept plans look good but has there been a review and feasibility study on procuring and turning the old RSL club into a RMPC or part of the plan? I'm only saying this as the structure is already there with parking and close to town etc Is there plans for refurbishment of the boys club?</p> <p>Has there been discussions with the RMS about limiting the speed limit on Fitzroy st? As this is a foreseeable hazard currently and needs addressing more urgently now than in the future! But a complex like this will require planning a limiting speed, Is there an option for parking and access from the bottom of the bullpaddock?</p> <p>Will this centre impact on the future pool complex costs and building funding?</p> <p>Can a cycle way be built into the complex or a starting point for a cycle way and facilities for this?</p> <p>To be honest the cost is something irrelevant as the town and region needs this and we as the SVC and region will be able to fund it with rates, costs at the gate, rental costs, funding etc</p>
19	Tumut	<p>This multi purpose centre would be a great asset to not only this town but the entire region. It will give us the opportunity to hold more events therefore bringing more people into the area. We can not be a town that just thinks about it, we need to make it happen. The old saying is true, you have to spend money to make money, and I feel that with this centre that saying would be 100% correct.</p>
20	Tumut	<p>I believe the centre would be a great asset to the community. My daughter would benefit from the heated pool alone. A gold coin donation for entry for the short to medium term (with information as to why the gold coin is asked for) would be helpful to recoup some of the loss.</p>

22	Tumut	This should have happened a long time ago. Tumut sports a vibrant sporting community. We have sports people, young and old that are exposed to the dangers of traveling in country Australia, only to excell in the sport that they love. People having to travel to Wagga Wagga in the early hours of the morning for swimming. We have school going kids that are still out at the basketball courts at 10 pm at night as there are just too many people playing basketball and not enough courts to cater for their needs. In my opinion the basketball following would grow significantly with more and better facilities. Not to mention the opportunity for our town to host basketball carnivals that would generate enormous revenue for our town.
21	BURRA	I do not support this proposal, it would provide for a minority and very limited number of residents, it is not supported by any planned funding within Council's mandated community strategic planning processes, is of questionable utility even to that limited number of residents, and will be an ongoing drain on council's already strained finances requiring increased rates for ratepayers ad infinitum. It is nothing more than one councilor's vanity project, not supported by the majority of councilors. Council should get on with its community's strategic priority projects and stop wasting money and resources. No more funds should be spent on trying to kill this off - a vote of councilors is all that is required to achieve that outcome.
23	Batlow	Looks terrific. Definately needed. As a senior I would use the gym and pool. Pool entrance TOO EXPENSIVE. The Oasis, Wagga has 10 passes for \$37 or 20 for \$35 for seniors. This works better than weekly cost, if going twice to 3 times a week. This centre not suitable for Tumbarumba or Khancoban area. They need the same type of facility.
24	Tumbarumba	If you have not realised it by now every one outside Tumut does not want ths centre. Bite the bullett and scrap it. You may just make a few friends. How do you sleep at night knowing about 93% of the Murray end of the shire just dont like your council, they loathe it with a vengence and will not surrender until we are Tumbarumba again.
25	Tumbarumba	I am opposed to this multi purpose centre because it will only benefit Tumut. And to build something to estimated to run at a loss for years to come is lunacy. If you are hoping the social benefits will outweigh the cost I think you'll be disappointed, it will only drive the wedge deeper between the current council and the residents of the former Tumbarumba Shire. Why should people and their descendants who will never use this facility pay for the residents of Tumut and Batlow to? Tumut is not a sports hub for Tumbarumba and Khancoban. This faculty going ahead won't change that either as these towns already play sports in mostly different leagues and codes. Save the money for upgrading current infrastructure across the shire and prove it aims to be harmonious with all.

26	Adelong	I'm very excited to see the plan includes indoor heated pools as there are many older people in our area who would use them as a form of exercise and rehabilitation from injuries ,desperately needed
27	Tumut	It is much needed! As a mum of 3 we play all sorts of sports. Basketball, Netball, Swimming, Soccer, Union, Tag etc. We travel lots and see all sorts of wonderful venues. Tumut is in desperate need so we too can hold events / carnivals in our area. We would use this venue daily! I think with Snowy Hydro 2.0, Visy and grants going, now is a fantastic time to build for the now and the future.
28	Tumbarumba	To quote tennis player John Macenroe " YOU CANNOT BE SERIOUS " How on earth did such a ridiculous concept even get to feasibility stage !!?? And the council is even spending ratepayers dollars to have engage a consultancy firm to tell them what must be plainly obvious . IE it's not feasible . To spend tens of millions of dollars of someone elses money (ours) on a facility which is not needed , only caters to part of the shire (Tumut) and is not financially viable is just plain disgraceful . This is exactly the sort of nest feathering that residents of Tumbarumba Shire feared would happen post the forceful amalgamation of our strong , independent , financially sound council and must not be allowed to proceed any further . Stop it NOW .
29	Tumbarumba NSW 2653	The project can not go ahead. Council has declined lower cost projects that would have spread benefits throughout the shire claiming a lack of funds, they should be ahead of this white elephant. Tumbarumba residents who require these type of amenities already travel to Wagga & Albury where they have established connections and therefore would not change to using the Tumut facilities. Too much rate payer money is being wasted by this council and it should be looking a reducing the rate/ red tape burden on residents.
30	Tumut	Just build it, Tumut needs this, been wanting this for years!
31	Batlow	My understanding from Matt Christensen's comments in the paper is that most of the Snowy Valleys region is not in the catchment area for the Facility. So I am of the opinion that if we do have such a facility it should be located in Tumbarumba - the heart of the region, otherwise how can ratepayers be expected to fund such an expensive project with major ongoing costs. Everyone I have spoken to thinks the money could be better spent on projects throughout the region rather than on a single project in Tumut, which is reminiscent of the previous Tumut Council's focus and does nothing to progress the merged council's image.

32	BATLOW	Needs to be energy efficient. I believe the allocated budget is totally extravagant for Tumut. I would prefer to see that amount reduced and the remainder spent improving sport facilities in the smaller communities of the SVC region.
33	batlow	Great idea if it was built central to all in the SVC population.
34	Tooma	I DO NOT support this facility. I would never use it. There are enough other options for these activities without burdening the ratepayers with the costs of a new facility. It is not necessary at this time, perhaps the concept could be revisited in 10 years.
36	Tumbarumba	I think the Snowy Valley Council area lacks the rate base to justify such a centre as similar facilities in larger centres like Wagga Wagga and Albury with a rate base of 60,000 plus can't pay for themselves. This proposal is touted as being a Regional facility yet excludes the residents of Talbingo, Khancoban, Tooma, Jingellic, Rosewood and Tumbarumba. From the figures provided at the Council Consultation sessions the facility is expected to realistically only have 1,200 patrons out of the 16,000 residents that make up the Shire. The rise in rates and cuts to services for the entire SVC area to cover the ongoing losses of this facility against the fraction of those in the SVC area that will actually use it . MEANS THIS PROPOSAL MUST BE SCRAPPED
37	Tumbarumba	Waste of money , with no return, better to build a BMX track an have X sports in tumut, attract world events
39	Tumut	The addition of new multi-purpse courts and indoor swimming pool will be a great benefit to our community. However, from the plans, the position of the synthetic fields impact heavily on the existing cricket oval. This requires further consultation with the cricket assosiation/clubs.
40	Tumut	I really want to see a sporting centre be constructed in Tumut that provides a centre for mixed indoor sports. Being a surveyor and experienced in developments, the location increases the construction costs and there is an alternative at the NE corner of Clarence n Quinn Streets. To best use the chosen location the water works would be better relocated, however the netball courts could be relocated as a far cheaper option, which would also solve the problem with pedestrians on Saturday's associated with netball. The other flaw in this designs location is the elevation difference between the street level and the oval. There is more than 4 meters height difference which is more likely to be about 10 meters, which makes this concept unachievable without redesign and higher construction costs.

41	TUMBARUMBA	This multi purpose centre should not be built the Council cannot afford it and it will not service the whole shire. The idea only creates a bigger division between the towns in the shire. As a ratepayer in Tumbarumba I really resent having to pay for huge crap ideas that so called councillors bring to the fore. I'd like to know how much my rates I will be in 5 years time. We strongly object to this proposal.
42	Tumut	From Individuals to ALL Sports groups and Healthcare business, The potential benefits the centre will offer are evident. I believe the centre will possibly change the routines of all participants. For eg. The centre will be factored in to training and injury rehabilitation of the Tumut Rugby league players. Just one example. There is no doubt the region is going through a "growth spurt". There is also no doubt the standards of regions sporting Facilities deserve an upgrade along with voluntary committees connected to them deserve the facility upgrade. The running costs are definitely an issue and need to met by usage. However the positives of what centre will bring to the region may be immeasurable. For eg. the ability to attract sort after sports events to the region become a reality.
43	MANNUS	No, I don't support a regional multi purpose centre in Tumut. I can't see myself using the facility. Despite the it being located in the "region", it is not located in my hometown of Tumbarumba so I can't see myself using it. Let's face it, it would be for Tumut residents. I don't support this centre as it is not in any of the SVC plans. Council should be spending money on things that are in the destination management plan, such as the identified cycling facilities for Tumbarumba.
44	Adelong	I just can't help but think if this was a business proposal you wouldn't go ahead with it, knowing that the projections are that it will run at a loss each year, never to make a profit. My concern would be that we would still pay council staff to maintain all the grounds that we currently have but they would no longer be utilised and if sporting fees were to increase in order to help pay for the multipurpose centre than I think it would have a negative impact on getting us all active. The bottom line is Council can't afford this and the residents can't either. Concentrate on delivering the long list of projects that we have on the go already and delivering them on time and on budget. I am all for progress but I think this is so unnecessary.

45	Maragle	<p>I do not support a Regional Multi-Purpose Centre for Tumut region for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I will be unable to use the facility due to the substantial travelling time and distance from my residence in Maragle. 2. This project is not included in the Community Strategic Plan 2028 prepared by the Council in consultation with residents of the whole Council area. 3. Funding for this project needs to be secured from alternative sources outside the Council 4. This project is fiscally irresponsible due to lack of money for maintenance 5. Duplicates existing facilities
46	Adelong	<p>I support building a Multi Purpose Centre. I would use the gym and hopefully for yoga. I would also use the indoor pools. I would like to see a environmentally friendly, energy efficient building that is fit for purpose. I think the council would need to manage the cost carefully. I have no idea about this but maybe carefully marketing aimed at corporate and large sporting groups to bring large events to use the facility. Nothing would be achieved if we just looked at the financial cost of proceeding with a project. We have to take into account the social and health benefits for residents now and into the future.</p>
47	Tumbarumba	<p>We totally oppose the construction as a perpetual and outrageously expensive extravaganza. It has very limited shire wide accessibility with maximal shire wide financial load. This project if approved will greatly exacerbate the ill feeling still very prevalent from the forced merger of Tumbarumba with Tumut. Finish the Tumbarumba Caravan Park!</p>
48	Tumbarumba	<p>I am opposed to the idea for the multi purpose facility to be built in Tumut. This has massive expenses, it will only benefit areas closer to Tumut, not Tumbarumba and surrounds. I have a young family and will not ever see myself or children using this. The travelling time to use it and the expenses to use it would make it unattainable for majority of the population. Tumut has a wonderful sports area as it is. Upgrade what is there, if needed, don't be greedy. Regardless I can see is the Tumbarumba area residents paying for the Tumut community to use something that they won't have frequent access too.</p>

49	Tumut	<p>No. I do not support the current Regional Multi-Purpose Centre proposal.</p> <p>My only interest is in the heated pool.</p> <p>There is no logical or economic sense in having the heated pool on a different location to the existing outdoor facility. This will only result in duplication of resources and additional cost to ratepayers.</p> <p>The Tumut Region Aquatic Centre Masterplan is the result of 6+ years of genuine community consultation and significant investment by rate payers in several concept designs. This plan was adopted as part of our community plan and should be the priority project.</p> <p>On 25th July 2018, Council held an invitational meeting for sporting clubs to give feedback on the Proposed multi-purpose sports centre. Only Tumut Basketball Assoc supported the concept!!</p>
50	Tumbarumba	<p>As a Tumbarumba resident I am unlikely to use the facility. This is acknowledged in the document with the feeder area being within a 30 minute drive.</p> <p>I am concerned that the SVC policy of free pool entry has not been considered in the estimated revenue. Free pool entry will reduce the income because even if the MPC charges it will be competing with a free product. While obviously there will be facilities in SVC that are not intended to service the entire area, it is unfair to provide such facilities that will have such an undesirable financial impact on the whole of SVC. To cover the ongoing cost of the centre one possibility is to apply a charge to all ratepayers in the feeder area that will cover the deficit.</p>