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SUPPORT IN PRINCIPLE - BLACK SUMMER BUSHFIRE RECOVERY FUND GRANT APPLICATION - TOOMA RECREATION RESERVE COMMITTEE

Dear Ros

Thank you for contacting Council to advise of your plans to apply for a \$1.2M grant under the Black Summer Bushfire Recovery Fund, and to request a letter of 'Support in Principle' for your proposed project to upgrade the Tooma Hall.

Thank you also for providing to Council Officers the scoping and costing detail that you have been able to determine to date, to assist in informing Council's future maintenance and sustainability responsibilities.

As the owners of the land upon which the Tooma Hall resides, Council is happy to provide an 'in principle' letter of support for this project. It is agreed that the extent of upgrades that you envisage would certainly provide a central location for the residents of Tooma and surrounding region for gatherings.

Council requests that if your Committee is successful in attaining funds, the next step forward would be to finalise the project scope which would be presented to Council for approval via resolution. We also wish to advise that, as part of this process and ensuing sustainability discussions, Council may also investigate the option of transferring the ownership of the land to a suitable community custodian to ensure the project's ongoing success.

I commend you on your efforts to date and wish you all the best with your application. If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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