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To: Mayor Shane

Cc: 'Dave Allan' 'Lawson Douglas'

Subject: Blue Heelers - Tip Fee concession request.

Hi Shane,

Thanks again for your time today to discuss this, as mentioned I would like to request a concession of 75% of the relevant tip fees for the works associated with the demolition of the Blue Heelers and Lester Avenue properties. If the council is prepared to do this then we would like also like to offer the Blue Heelers Marine Terrace site to be opened up for the public to park on over the busy December and January period (prior to our construction start). This support can then be publicised through both Pollinators and Euphorium social media channels, as well as any other releases you wish to make (council to approve wording prior to any release).

Our team (including Pollinators and Euphourium) are excited to have been awarded the REDS grant recently which will enable us to undertake this project. This project for us has never been about making money, it was driven by community engagement and what we can do to support and build further capacity in the arts, culture and small businesses/producers industries of Geraldton. This project also has the benefit of demolishing and beautifying over 8,000 sqm of land which has traditionally been a derelict blight on The West End and a significant gap in activity along a premium section of Marine Terrace.

Given this is not a profit-making project for use, we have a ceiling on the funds that we can allocate to the project and a minimum we must spend on it under the conditions of the REDS grant (both are the same number). If Council agrees to a concession on the tip fees then this money will not end with us but will instead be directly reinvested into the project. This will enable us to spend more on containers, lighting, signage, furniture and other items that will help to enhance the visual and experiential aspects of the project.

Thanks in advance for Council's consideration.

Regards,



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