

UNDERSTANDING YOUR EXPECTATIONS

The Upper Hunter Shire Council (to be referred to as “the Council” from this point forward) has called for Expressions of Interest from third parties to either:

- **manage** Gummun Place Hostel
- **lease** Gummun Place Hostel
- **purchase** Gummun Place Hostel.

The following questions are aimed at gaining an **initial understanding** of community expectations in relation to each of these circumstances.

EACH PERSON SHOULD COMPLETE THIS QUESTIONNAIRE ONCE ONLY.

Please answer all four questions. Consider each question carefully before answering.

The future of Gummun Place should be determined by the local community. The Progress Association’s role is to facilitate information so that the community can lobby Council and make their requirements known. This survey will assist with this process.

Gummun Place – MANAGEMENT

Question 1: Which **ONE** of the following statements best describes your attitude towards the management of Gummun Place Hostel? Please **choose ONLY** one answer.

- The Council should continue to manage Gummun Place (operational and financial) as per current practises but develop a plan for ensuring Gummun Place becomes financially self-sufficient (i.e. income equals expenditure) within 2-5 years.
- The Council should:
 - retain all financial management (accounts, reporting, financial reporting, etc.)
 - **and** outsource the operational management (day to day operations) to a qualified aged care **company**
 - **and** put in place a plan for ensuring Gummun Place becomes financially self-sufficient (i.e. income equals expenditure) within 2-5 years
- The Council should **not**, under any circumstances, continue to financially or operationally manage any aspect of Gummun Place.

Gummun Place – LEASING

Question 2: Which **ONE** of the following statements best describes your attitude towards the leasing of Gummun Place Hostel? Please **choose ONLY** one answer.

- The Council should lease Gummun Place to an aged-care provider of their choice (it is up to the Council to choose the company who will lease the facility).
- The Council should lease Gummun Place to an aged-care provider chosen by the Gummun Place Committee.
- The Council should lease Gummun Place to an aged-care provider **after** they have consulted with the community and the community has had a say in which organisation is chosen.
- The Council should **not**, under any circumstances, lease Gummun Place to a third party.

PLEASE TURN OVER

COMPLETE ONE QUESTIONNAIRE PER PERSON

Gummun Place – SELLING

Question 3: Which **ONE** of the following statements best describes your attitude towards the selling of Gummun Place Hostel? Please **choose ONLY** one answer.

- The Council should sell Gummun Place to an aged care provider of their choice (it is up to the Council to choose the company who will purchases the facility).
- The Council should sell Gummun Place to an aged care provider chosen by the Gummun Place Committee and/or the community.
- The Council should **not**, under any circumstances, sell Gummun Place to a third party (it must remain a community-owned asset).

Gummun Place – ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

Question 4: Which statement (or statements) best describes your attitude towards **other options** for Gummun Place? You may choose **MORE THAN** one.

- The Council should sell Gummun Place to the community for \$1 (so the title of Gummun Place is passed back to the community).
- The Council should sell Gummun Place to a specialist aged care provider and the community should **not** have a hand in owning or running Gummun Place.
- Gummun Place should be run (financial and operational management) by a Board of local **qualified** people on behalf of the community.
- Gummun Place should be run (financial and operational management) by an organisation that is a specialist aged care provider.

WHAT OTHER IDEAS DO YOU HAVE?

Do you have any other suggestions, ideas or thoughts about the future **ownership**, and/or the **financial management** and/or the **operational** management of Gummun Place?

Demographics

Gender ▶	<input type="checkbox"/> Male	<input type="checkbox"/> Female			
Age ▶	<input type="checkbox"/> 18-25	<input type="checkbox"/> 26-35	<input type="checkbox"/> 36-45	<input type="checkbox"/> 46-55	<input type="checkbox"/> 56 and over
Postcode ▶	<input type="checkbox"/> 2329	<input type="checkbox"/> 2337	<input type="checkbox"/> 2338	<input type="checkbox"/> 2336	Other <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/>

Please indicate your interest in Gummun Place (e.g. concerned local, relatives at GP). ▶

RETURN YOUR QUESTIONNAIRE

In person: Merriwa Pharmacy (there is a drop box on the counter).

By post: PO Box 144 Merriwa NSW 2329.

By email: Scan and email your completed questionnaire to merriwaprogress@gmail.com.

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