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Dear Admin,

You have received the following enquiry from the Shire of Denmark Site.

Name	██████████
Email Address	████████████████████
Phone Number	██████████
Comments	I have just answered your survey online. I answered no to your proposal. I feel that there should have been an option to give my opinion as to why I said no. I am strongly in favour of a swimming pool but not the format that you have put forward. Why was there no other option put forward? If the result is a no then does that mean that no other propoal will be put forward so that the Shire has got there wish that there will be no pool in Denmark! This no better than the Howard referendum on the republic the odds are stack in favour of the no pool advocates on the shire.
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To Teiga Murray,

Hi there , I've just completed the online survey for the Aquatic Facility, but would like to comment on why there has been no consideration to a ocean pool ?

I've seen some very nice ocean pools over east , full length 25 mtr , that are elevated from sea level for easy access for every one. These ocean pools could be heated and partly enclosed and would be cheaper to operate. Plus it would use sea water and not our rain water from the quickup dam !

The State Government was encouraging coastal communities to go for ocean pools as they are cheaper to operate and had offered Albany 5M for a ocean pool when they already have a indoor pool that operates at a huge loss!

Seeing as there are proposals for upgrading Prawn Rock Channel area, perhaps an ocean pool could be incorporated !!. If Albany didn't accept the 5m offered from the state government, perhaps Denmark could get that funding !

I hope my comments are of use and await the outcome of the pool survey.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]



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Dear Admin,

You have received the following enquiry from the Shire of Denmark Site.

Name	██████████
Email Address	██
Phone Number	██████████
Comments	I am disappointed with the Aquatic Pool Survey. It really should have had 2 or probably 3 questions to answer. Do you agree with the Shires proposal, yes/no. Do you agree with DACCI proposal yes/no. Do agree that Denmark should have a pool yes/no. I think some people who want a pool will be misinformed of what plan they agreeing to! Your survey is flawed.
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Dear Sir /Madam,

I am presently travelling around Australia, and as a resident of Denmark, would like to voice my opinion regarding the proposed consideration to build an aquatic facility in Denmark.

The latest survey proposes scaling down the suggested 6 lane heated pool and offers a choice of Yes or No to a learn to swim/hydrotherapy pool.

As a past President of the Newman/Churchlands College Masters Swimming Club I cannot strongly enough encourage the Denmark Shire to fully investigate the many benefits to Denmark residents, ranging from learn to swim, school students, keep fit, serious swimmers and retired residents, that a minimum of a 6 lane 25 meter pool will bring.

The shire reminds residents of Denmark close proximity to Albany. Has the shire considered the number of people between Walpole and Denmark who would regard Albany as too far to travel. If not considered this effectively doubles the number of people to likely make use of such a facility in Denmark.

I would encourage a shire representative to speak to Masters Swimming WA to get an informed opinion as to the numbers of swimmers registered and the benefits swimming brings to many thousands of swimmers and this does not consider the benefits to learn to swim and school swimming.

My travels have taken me north through Western Australia and it is my understanding that we are one of two shires throughout the state not to have a swimming pool.

I do not support the present proposed learn to swim/hydrotherapy approach and believe nothing should be done till at least a minimum of a 6 lane 25 meter heated pool is planned.

Yours faithfully,

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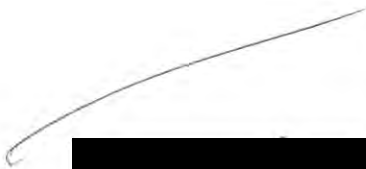
To whom it may concern. I just wanted to let you know that I don't think there is much point in my filling in the survey for the pool. I own land at Bow Bridge and realise that as a ratepayer I have been asked to do this, but I reside in Albany full time and do not consider that I can speak on behalf of the town of Denmark. I am sure you will receive many excellent responses - it is a wonderful facility for a rural town to have. Regards [REDACTED]

28 August 2015

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RE: Online Survey for the Denmark Pool

Dear Cnr Ross Thornton

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[Redacted]

I am very disappointed with the recent online survey you released giving ratepayers the option of voting yes or no for the pool as proposed by the council. Whilst the survey on the surface, seemed to be a simple voting matter, I feel that the Denmark Shire has used this survey to ensure they obtain the result they desire, which is a normal tactic when obtaining and presenting statistics for any organisation.

The fact is that many ratepayers want a pool, but you are forcing them to vote for the desire for a pool and the design of the pool in one vote, which will provide misleading statistics. If the council was serious about listening to your voters you would be adopting the DACCI design that many Denmark ratepayers want and have already been consulted about. Your current proposal is not a design for the future of this community and will be quickly rendered inadequate with our growing and aging population.

As such, I would like to rescind my recent Yes vote and vote No. My voting identification number is [Redacted]

Regards

[Redacted signature]

[Redacted]

ISUB159846

Hello,

I have read the information regarding the proposed swimming pool and have completed the survey, but I haven't seen anything concerning a public appeal for funds to build the facility. Has this been considered by the council and/or the community? I realize that it would not help with ongoing operating costs, and these would have to be taken out of admission prices, subscriptions or council funds (or government grants?), but I am surprised that in all the literature I have received about a swimming pool for Denmark, I haven't been asked for a donation.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

ISUB159847

Dear Cr Thornton

We have just returned from a business/holiday trip overseas to find that the survey re the aquatic centre has now closed.

The three weeks notice was insufficient in my opinion as many people take four week holiday breaks, and letter delivery etc makes the available period even shorter.

I wish to record our opposition to the current proposal. The proposal will not meet our needs with a small child and exercise programs, a larger pool is needed, as originally proposed and as has been supported strongly.

Yours sincerely

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ISUB159848

Both myself and my wife [REDACTED] would like to register our objection to the above proposal. Unfortunately we were away and were not able to complete the survey by the 4th Sept. However we would like to offer some suggestions:

1. There is a perfectly good facility at the Albany Aquatic Centre (which runs at a loss) . Those who want heated pools can car pool or organise a community bus to take them into Albany. This would not burden the rest of the ratepayers.
2. All our children learned to swim in a perfectly good ocean. We can see no reason why this should not continue .

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED]
Sent from my iPad

Mr. Ross Thornton
Shire President
Denmark WA 6333.
12/08/2015

Dear Mr. Thornton,

I was surprised at the style of the meeting format you presided over yesterday evening to discuss the proposed new aquatic facility. Mr. Stewart's interview with the Denmark Bulletin indicated that he prides himself on his ability to consult with community with clarity and consistency. I expected this to be reflected in a friendly collaborative style of meeting procedures.

On arrival on such a cold bleak evening, it would have been welcoming to be able to enter the building. I could see people milling around inside and I, and I am sure I and the others waiting, would not have interfered with their preparations if we had been allowed in.

I will not go into a long diatribe regarding the meeting but wish to state I expected the meeting to be genuinely prepared to allow community discussion. Expecting questions before the power-point presentation did not allow for those present to ask informed questions. Stating that you wanted to be out by nine was a discourtesy to all who had driven, some quite a long way, to be there. I for one gave up a group that I really enjoy to be there, and I am sure most would rather have been home by the fire. Your reference to DACCI as a pressure group was inappropriate as they are the committee that I, along with many others in the community, gave a mandate to many years ago to speak and act on our behalf. The closure of the meeting so abruptly I felt treated us all with contempt. Wasn't there another page of questions on the window that never got an answer?

In my former life as Director of a large non- government Care Centre in Fremantle I had a lot of dealings with the Fremantle City Council and I do not remember, despite long and protracted negotiations over many sorts of developments ever being given such short shrift as I was last evening. A Councilor's role is often onerous and time consuming and I am sure seemingly thankless at times. However Councilors put themselves forward, and are elected, to represent resident's views and interests thoughtfully, honestly and fairly, even though these views may at times be quite different, or even conflicting with their own.

Yours faithfully,

[Redacted signature]

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Shire Of Denmark

26.08.15

Mr. Greg Harwood,
Denmark Shire Council,
Denmark - 6333.

COUNCILLORS

CEO

MGR of FINANCE

MGR of PLANNING

MGR of INFRASTRUCTURE

MGR of COMMUNITY

Dear Mr. Harwood,

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to take part in your survey. Not only do we agree with the building of the swimming pool, but we are very disappointed on your decision for a 25m. pool. What an oversight!

Libraries are run at a loss (I presume) so why should not other facilities!

Your next project should be a half size hockey field, later to be extended to a full size one. It is so badly needed!

Wishing you all the best with your projects.

I remain
yours sincerely,

Denmark Shire Enquiries

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Mr Ross Thornton
Shire President.

Dear Ross,

Thankyou for the opportunity of filling in the (survey)? or at least I thought it would be a survey. From my understanding a survey has a number of questions, options etc that can gauge the opinions of the person being surveyed.

I have been provided with only one option. The sub-standard option proposed with a yes or no answer. The survey is designed to get the no response. It reminded me of John Howard's republic referendum. Designed to fail. This model or no model. As a result I voted No. I do want an aquatic facility but not this model.

I am a believer in do something once and do it right. Lets have something wonderful for Denmark.

Regards
[Redacted]

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WATER INFRASTRUCTURE	
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27.8.15

To
President and Shire Councillors
Denmark Shire Council
9th Coast Highway
Denmark.

Dear Council Members

This is a question & a statement about the Aquatic Survey sent out to Denmark Residents.

My Question is: "Why is there no space on the Survey to put a comment on the reason your vote was Yes or No."

This would at least give the Council a vision to what the town wanted.

My comment is: I attend a very necessary class of Hydrotherapy run by a Physiotherapist at the Albany Hospital's Hydro Pool. I am one of many who need this type of therapy on a regular basis for many medical reasons eg (a) deteriorating Physical Health due to age or recovering from surgery or injuries of every age from the young to very old.

We have been told ~~that~~ by my Physiotherapist the class I attend would not fit into the Pool together.
(b) The second reason for the Vote NO is that many Denmark Families for many years have travelled into Albany for regular swimming lessons & recreation swimming so the plan for the pool area as planned

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for now, still will not cater for a large section of the Denmark Community.

The worry I have is that many people are saying that "Something is better than nothing" and are deciding to vote Yes.

This vote is still not going to give the Community a facility that is adequate in size or design.

Surely a fairer way to get a result from the survey would be to get Residents to let you know the reason for their vote Yes or No.

Yours truly,

