

Van park moves in

By LEIGH BOTTRELL

A PRIVATELY operated caravan park with 100-plus sites in Common Street, Goulburn, has edged closer to being realised.

A development application by Funtime Investments Pty Limited, which has been before Goulburn Mulwaree Council for two years, has now negotiated earlier planning

and environmental hurdles.

But at its last meeting, the council deferred determining the application, subject to Funtime providing details of:

1. An amended project staging plan;
2. A revised proposal based on a single lot for the long-term sites, and future development subject to an integrated development application;
3. Preparation of suitable design guide-

lines to promote high quality development of the long-term sites.

Funtime, a long-established Goulburn-based Burrows family company, wants to build 64 short-term caravan sites in Common Street as well as 41 leased long-term ones.

It also plans a manager's residence and reception area, plus amenities to serve the development.

In a report to the meeting, Council's Development Control manager, Richard Davies, and Planning and Community Services manager, Chris Stewart, recommended a 60/40 split between short-time and long-term sites.

This was based on environmental planning objectives, and would be consistent with other Goulburn caravan parks.

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Hello sunshine. So nice to see you petal

SUNSHINE and roses . . . what better way for Goulburn to show it takes more than floods and weeks of rain to put a dampener on things?

And this was certainly borne out by this year's Rose Festival and superb Rose Show at the

Soldiers Club over the weekend.

Visitor numbers, spectacular floral displays and competition entries were up on last year, when all the elements had been in the event's favour. As author and TV gardening expert Jennifer Churchill said when

officially opening this year's event: "It shows the extraordinary commitment the Rose Committee and all of Goulburn have."

Ms Churchill, who is also a vet, and owns the acclaimed Killoren property at Crookwell with its Edna

Walling -designed garden, said it was noticeable after now 19 years of Rose Shows, that the event and roses in general had "truly become part of the Goulburn landscape."

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GREEN THUMBS: The Cockburn kids from Goulburn weren't tall enough to smell the roses, but the five cousins still thought the Rose Show was sweet. From left to right: Bailey, 3, Georgie, 7, Chloe, 5, Maddison, 5, and Hunter, 4. Photo: Leigh Bottrell

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