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Condolence Motion: Matthew Bowden, Owner of Marburg Hotel**Ordinary Council | Thursday, 9 December 2021**

I move that Council express its condolences, on behalf of the city, to the family of Mr Matthew Bowden.

We wish to celebrate Matthew's life and his immense contribution to the Marburg community.

Matthew passed away on the 24th November at the age of 42, after a brave battle with cancer.

Matthew was a sportsman, family man, had a hilarious sense of humour and was loved by more than he knew.

He was always up for a chat and was the sort of bloke everyone wanted to call their friend.

The leading man of the Marburg Hotel, Matthew lived and breathed the community's pub.

He was the third generation to take the reins of the hotel, following in the footsteps of his father Dan and grandfather Yub.

The family's story began in 1936 when a young Yub Bowden came to the small country town of Marburg with a dream.

The family struggled to keep the pub going through the Great Depression, the Second World War, and the closure of the coal mines.

But, eight decades later, the Bowden family still provide a place where the people of Marburg and tourists can gather, celebrate special occasions, make life-long friends and, of course, grab an ice-cold beer at the end of a long day.

To this day, regular patrons of the Marburg Hotel say it's like being in an extended family.

The Marburg Hotel was run for decades by Yub and was known as Yub's Pub for a long time.

Matthew's father, Dan, bought it 40 years ago and Matthew was at the helm of the community hub for most of the last decade.

Matthew shared his father and grandfather's love of the pub and the community. Yub was known for saying that if there was a light on inside, it was okay for people to come in and have a beer. No matter the time.

Matthew was excited to take over the pub from his father Dan, and said his aim was to get the pub back as the town's focal point.

"It was such a big part of the town over the years, and I think its lost that a bit," he said to the Queensland Times in 2015.

Matthew was determined to put his own stamp on the pub and keep the family legacy going into the future.

He was well and truly on his way and was instrumental in slowly but surely bringing the old pub back to life.

Up until his final days, Matthew continued to keep an eye on operations at his beloved pub.

Family and friends celebrated Matthew's life on 2 December at St Mary's Church followed by an interment at Tallegalla Cemetery.

The Marburg community, as are we, are heartbroken by the passing of Matthew. On behalf of the city, I offer our thoughts and prayers for his partner Lauren and five-year-old daughter Milla.

We are grateful for the time and passion Matthew put into the Marburg community. He is, and will continue to be, well and truly missed.

Petition to Ipswich City Council

11 October 2021

Attention

Deputy Mayor Jonic, Cr Tully, Planner Reece Wenzel, Ipswich City Council.

Ratepayers sent an Email to Council in regards to shade and seating in dog park at Camira recreation park dated 27/08/2017

Council reply 19/09/2017 It was recommended to plant trees along western side fo shade and install benches, Service No 170918-000329.

As no trees have been planted we the undersigned would like Council to consider our request as discussed with with Cr. Joni, Tully and Planner Reece Wenzel.

Proposed plan to extent big dog park to include Figus tree to provide shade.

Urgently needed small dog park as set out in proposed drawings.

5 small dogs were attacked with one fatal in big dog park this year.

There is no water tap for small dogs in park.

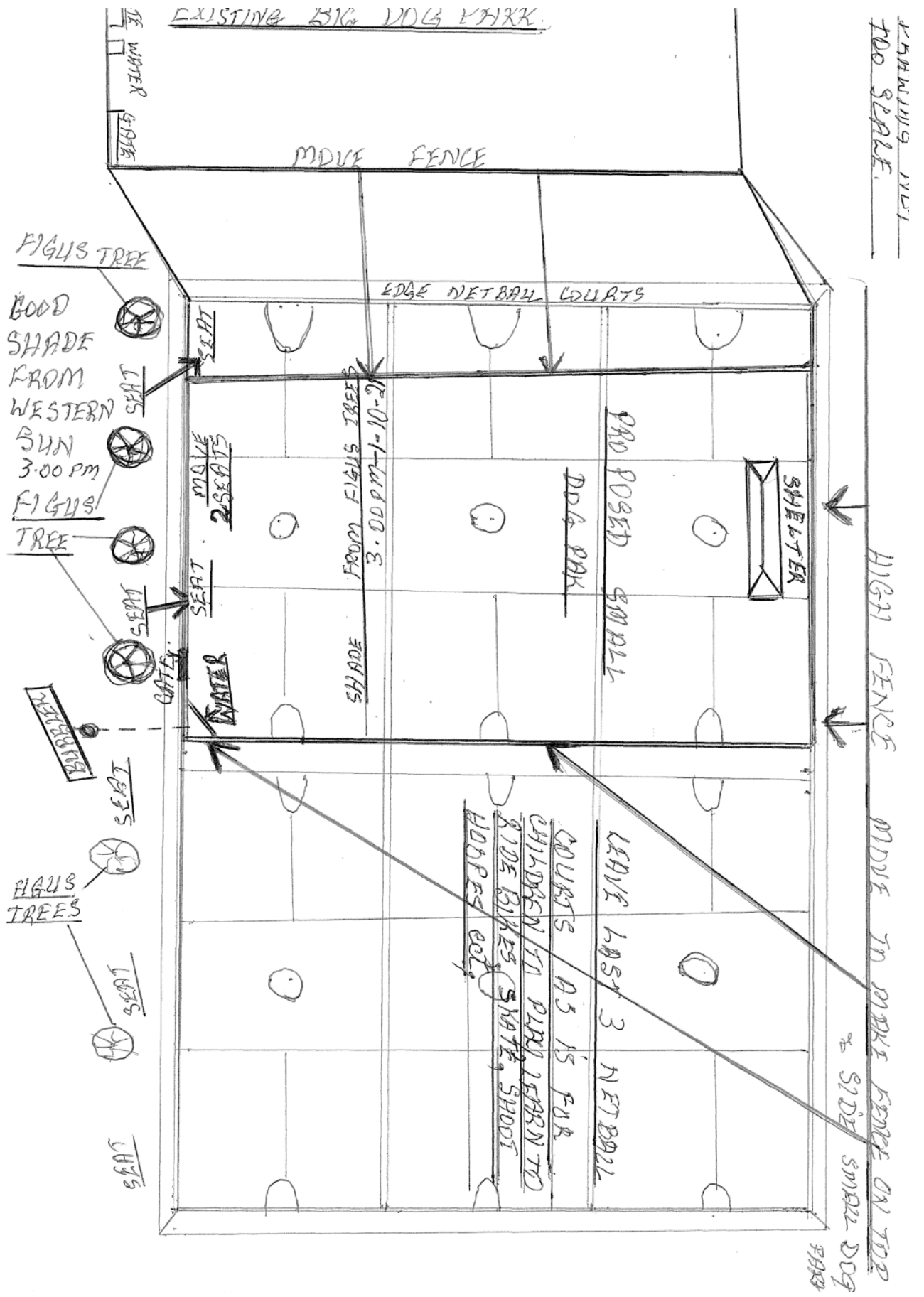
We trust Council will consider our request favorably .

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TITLE: MAYORAL MINUTE – DE-NAMING OF PISASALE LANDMARKS

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Since our election in March 2020, this Council has made significant progress in advancing the City of Ipswich and putting to bed the city's challenges of the past.

In the past 20 months, we have done a lot to repair the reputation of our city and have established this Council as one of the most open and transparent in Australia.

From the launch of the Transparency and Integrity Hub, to livestreaming and documenting our decision-making processes for all to see, the appointment of our new CEO as well as the incredible progress made in revitalising our once-forgotten CBD - there is a lot for this Council to be proud of.

However, in closing the door to Ipswich's past, there is one issue that we have not yet resolved. Like many of you, it is something I made a commitment to address as part of my election campaign – and something I believe is still important to the Ipswich community.

The name of a former Mayor, who has been found guilty of serious crimes, such as 27 counts of fraud, attempting to pervert the course of justice, perjury, official corruption and two counts of sexual assault against a 23 year old woman, remains etched into our public places, and is seen by many in the community as an embarrassing reminder of a previous era.

Council's Naming Procedure (PD-006), section 1.4.15 states that Council may consider re-naming a road or other named facility where the name is that of a person who has been convicted of an indictable offence under the Criminal Code, or an electoral offence contrary to the Local Government Act.

I am not proposing we re-write our city's history and remove all references to this former Mayor. However, feedback from residents and businesses suggests there is interest in re-visiting the naming of two assets that continue to be a source of embarrassment for our city.

This motion proposes re-naming of two Council-owned assets connected to Paul Pisasale – Paul Pisasale Bridge and Pisasale Drive, Yamanto - and conducting community consultation to re-name them in line with Council's Naming Procedure.

I believe our community wants to move on from the actions of the past and should be given the opportunity to have a say on how we close the book on this chapter.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

- A. That Council de-name the Paul Pisasale Bridge, Springfield Central, and conduct community consultation on re-naming in line with Council's Naming Procedure.**
- B. That Council de-name Pisasale Drive, Yamanto, and conduct landholder and community consultation on re-naming in line with Council's Naming Procedure.**
- C. That a report be prepared for a Council meeting, no later than May 2022, that outlines community sentiment on the renaming, costs associated, and options for the potential renaming of these assets in line with Council's Naming Procedure.**