

Barmera group eyes first goal

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The first project for Barmera's latest community group will be a playground designed to attract tourists to the town.

Approximately 100 people attended the meeting about the future of the Lake Bonney District, held earlier this week.

The playground proposal will now go out for community consultation, but group co-ordinator Ian Penno said a likely location for the playground would be on council land near the old Sunset Boulevard.

Mr Penno said another suggestion was to place the playground in a position which would "join the main street and the lake and make it more attractive to walk from the lake up to the shops".

He said although attendance numbers at the meeting were below expectations, those present were confident the group could attain some tangible outcomes.

"Word will get out that this time we are going to achieve something," he said.

Mr Penno said he is keen to get the community involved in every aspect of the project and already has a landscape artist working on the playground's design.

The playground will have a theme of "playful education" and include elements of indigenous culture and history.

"This will be a benefit to the community and a drawcard to visitors," Mr Penno predicted.

"It will be an excuse for people to pull off the highway for a rest and make use of our businesses and services."

Another meeting will be held in June to continue the planning process.