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Council Advances Regenerating the Alice Town Centre Project - Update

Alice Springs Town Council is continuing to move forward with the exciting *Regenerating the Alice Town Centre* project, a \$20 million initiative designed to reimagine and revitalise the heart of our town.

Council have partnered with the Australian Government to deliver the project, aimed at enhancing community spaces and creating a more vibrant, welcoming town centre for residents and visitors. Three key areas were identified at the beginning of the project, being Todd Mall, Leichhardt Terrace, and the Hartley Street carpark.

As part of early concept planning, Council explored the possibility of creating a community space and at the site of the Uniting Church lawns. Following discussions however, an agreement could not be reached for the use of this land. While this particular location will not proceed, Council remains committed to delivering a dynamic and engaging town centre for all to enjoy and will explore alternate locations to place key elements from the community space concept.

Focus will now turn to Leichhardt Terrace, where plans are underway to transform this area into a thriving, connected space. Plans for Leichhardt Terrace include a half basketball court with shade and seating, elements of a cultural walk, in situ seating along with new trees for shade and water fountains. This aims to encourage greater community interaction, improve public amenities, and create an inviting destination that reflects the unique character of Alice Springs along the banks of our iconic Todd River Lhere Mparntwe.

"Our vision for the Alice Springs town centre is one that is welcoming, inclusive, and active," Mayor Paterson said.

"It's disappointing we could not progress aspects of the project, but we're excited about adapting key design elements and the opportunities that lie ahead. This project will be truly transformative for our town, creating spaces where families and friends can meaningfully connect."

Further updates on the *Regenerating the Alice Town Centre* project will be provided as planning progresses. Council thanks the community for its continued support and looks forward to sharing more details soon.

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