Applicant: Karratha Enduro & Motocross Club Inc
Project Title: Building a Better, Safer Track: Karratha Motocross Equipment Upgrade

Description of organisation - Karratha Enduro & Motocross Club Inc is a volunteer-run not-for-profit organisation with approximately 95 member families, including a strong junior rider cohort. The club provides a safe, inclusive and welcoming environment for motocross participation, social connection and regional sporting competition. The club hosts race events, ride days and coaching activities that attract participants and visitors from across the Pilbara and wider North West.

Description of project – The project involves the purchase of a Power Harrow, Packer Roller, Hydraulic Kit and associated delivery costs, to improve the condition and ongoing maintenance of the Karratha motocross track. . The equipment will enable the club to better maintain and improve the track surface, reducing reliance on hired machinery. Regular maintenance will help to provide a more consistent riding surface, improve rider safety and support the needs of riders of varying ages and abilities, particularly for junior riders. The project forms part of the club's long-term track master planning initiative and will support the ongoing maintenance while improving the facility's capacity to host local and regional motocross activities.

Project Budget – Income (includes donations, volunteer labour, additional grant funding, organisations contribution)

City of Karratha Large Community Grant	Not Confirmed	$27,000
Karratha Enduro & Motorcross Club Savings	Confirmed	$4,903
Nor West Sand & Gravel Tractor Hire (In-Kind Sponsorship)	Not Confirmed	$4,500
Volunteer Labour (In-Kind)	Confirmed	$22,099
Diesel Contribution	Confirmed	$12,825
	INCOME TOTAL	**$71,327**

Project Budget – Expenditure

Power Harrow, Packer Roller, Hydraulic Kit and Delivery	$31,903
Tractor Hire (In-Kind)	$4,500
Volunteer Labour (In-Kind)	$22,099
Diesel	$12,825
EXPENDITURE TOTAL	**$71,327**

City of Karratha Funding Received Last 3 years

Foregone revenue through $10 annual peppercorn lease (Land Only) – No valuation on file	**$0**

Key Considerations

- Volunteer-run organisation with approximately 95 member families, including around 60% junior riders.
- Significant support from local businesses including Brooks Hire, Karratha Machinery Hire, JMK Hire, Quintent Plant Hire, Kennards Hire, Norwest Sand & Gravel and CORPs.
- Project will proceed without City funding however, costs would need to be absorbed by the club, reducing resources available for future development and operations.
- Club has committed financial contributions and substantial in-kind volunteer support valued at over $22,000.
- External motocross track specialists, Protraxx, have provided advice and a track development plan to guide the project.
- The organisation leases the land from the City of Karratha. The development and maintenance of the track is the responsibility of the lessee.
- The project reinforces the Community Infrastructure Plan 2025-2035 principle of maximising existing infrastructure by improving the current track rather than pursuing relocation.

Community Benefit

- Improves rider safety through better track conditions, particularly benefiting junior and less experienced riders.
- Supports increased participation, training opportunities and track usage throughout the year.
- Reduces volunteer workload and improves efficiency of track maintenance.
- Strengthens Karratha's ability to attract regional motocross events and visitors from across the Pilbara and Kimberley, generating economic benefit through visitor spending and overnight stays.
- Provides a safer and more sustainable recreational facility for current and future members of the community.

Strategic Alignment

☐ Goal 1 - We resect Aboriginal peoples' Cultural Authority and Connection to Ngurra (Country)

☒ Goal 2 - Our community is welcoming, connected, vibrant, healthy and safe
☒ Goal 3 -. Everyone is included
☐ Goal 4 - Our places and spaces are functional, attractive and reflect our unique identity
☐ Goal 5 - We respect and care for the natural environment
☒ Goal 6 - The local economy is diverse and thriving, with opportunities for all
☐ Goal 7 - Our civic leaders are innovative, listening and balanced in meeting community needs.

Project Total	$71,327	**Aggregated Assessment Panel Score (%)** 77%
Amount Requested From City of Karratha	$27,000	
Amount Recommended	***$27,000***	

RECOMMENDATION:
Officers recommend funding the full requested amount of $27,000 towards the purchase of a Power Harrow, Packer Roller, Hydraulic Kit and associated delivery costs.

The project demonstrates alignment with Council Plan Goals 2, 3 and 6 by supporting safer sporting participation, improving the functionality of existing community recreation infrastructure and strengthening the club's capacity to maintain its facility, and to host local and regional motocross activities.

The proposed equipment will enable the club to undertake more effective track maintenance, reduce reliance on hired machinery and improve riding conditions, particularly for junior and less experienced participants. The club supports approximately 95 member families and has demonstrated its commitment through financial contributions, volunteer labour and local business support.

Officers acknowledge that the club has indicated the project could proceed without City funding. However, the proposed grant would reduce the financial burden on the volunteer-run organisation, preserve resources for ongoing operations and support the timely implementation of improvements identified through its track development planning.

Full funding is recommended on the basis of the identified safety benefits, the ongoing value of the equipment and the substantial organisational and community contributions supporting the broader project.