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Finley PCP LTD, (Passionate Community Participants) is a group of community minded people, some with an association with the Finley Football and Netball Club who have worked together investing time, energy, and resources for over a decade and foresaw the need to generate funds for future community projects and improvements to community facilities. This vision has resulted in the purchase of a cropping farm to the east of Finley.

The primary aim of the non-for-profit organization is to hold rural land assets with an income earning capability, where ultimately the income generated can be used as a resource to drive worthwhile opportunities for the betterment of the Finley community through financial assistance. It is not for the Football and Netball Clubs benefit. The majority of the production work and costs are supplied voluntarily by local people. It enables all members of the community, both young and old to contribute.

Founding members are well known within the Finley Community, with long family connections to the town. Current directors are Chris Kelly, Mark Robertson, Ashley Haynes, John Taylor, John Hand, Paul Evans, Trevor McCaw, Greg McNamara and Sue Braybon. Additional members will join the management committee to achieve diversity and address whatever skill sets may be required in the future.

Financial and conceptional support has been given by Finley Apex Club, Finley Rotary Club, Finley Regional Care, Finley Golf Club, Finley Football & Netball Club, Finley Lions Club and the Finley Secondhand Shop. Generous donations have also been given by many local businesses and individuals.

Finley PCP have established a term loan and a working overdraft with the Commonwealth Bank of Australia. Discussions with major merchandise companies are expected to gain their support and forge partnerships for the supply of some crop inputs.

This venture has great potential for the local area and town to have a significant say in their own destiny and to have funds to leverage government grants, whilst bringing the community closer together and working in unison toward a common goal. Its aim is to create a future fund that will be available to community not-for-profit groups to be used to embark on projects that otherwise may have been financially out of reach.

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In early 2022, the purchase of "Mandalay" ,377 acres of prime cropping country was completed. Work is under way on the planting of crops and farm improvements. The Finley Apex Club are a vital component to this and have brought youth, technical skills and enthusiasm to the farming practices. In addition, the ongoing share farming of the original 400 acre property will continue by the original volunteers.

Though progress has been made, committee members stress that ongoing support will be required for their efforts to succeed and are calling upon individuals, groups, businesses, and corporate partners to contribute to the project. Priorities include reducing the bank loan and funding the sowing of crops. It is intended to repay most or all the bank debt before funds would be able to flow back into the community. This will be determined by the production from the two properties and what further donations are made. The weather and commodity prices are most favorable at present and will have a significant influence on the near term success.

The committee is grateful for the offers and ongoing assistance and appreciate all those who have made this a success thus far and in the future. There are several ways to help:

- Donation of monetary sums
- Giving of labour/time
- Donating use of equipment
- Donation of inputs (water/seed/fertilizer)

Please feel free to contact any of the committee members, some of whose details are below.

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Or via the website www.finleypcp.com.au

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