



MINUTES: SPORT AND RECREATION REFERENCE GROUP MEETING HELD IN THE ROS CRICHTON PAVILION, NORTH SYDNEY, ON MONDAY, 15 AUGUST 2022 AT 6.00PM.

PRESENT

Councillor Beregi in the Chair, The Mayor Councillor Baker, Councillor Bourke, Councillor Santer, Councillor Lamb and Councillor Welch

Staff:

David Manson, Manager Parks & Reserves
Kieran Meurant, Turf Manager Parks and Reserves
Ian Curry, Manager Council & Committee Services
(Minutes)

Citizen Members:

Layton Gould, Cammeray Golf Club
Toni Field, Northern Suburbs Netball Association
Anne Simmons, Sydney University Hockey Club
(Juniors)
Christine Cannon, North Sydney Women's Hockey/
Mosman Hockey
Cameron Herbert, North Sydney Junior Cricket
Simon Cox, North Sydney United Football Club
Rick Miller, Resident
Diana Brown, Northern Sydney & Beaches Hockey
(online)
Matt Dawson, North Sydney Parkrun
Duncan Bendall (remotely)

1. Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 16 May 2022, copies of which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Beregi and seconded by Ms Simmons.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

THAT the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 16 May 2022, copies of which had been previously circulated, be taken as read and confirmed.

3.1 Primrose Park Reconfiguration and Hockey Opportunities

AUTHOR: David Manson, Manager Parks and Reserves

To present information on the potential for the return of Hockey to Primrose Park.

The purpose of this report is to provide the Reference Group with advice on the Primrose Park reconfiguration with the potential for the return of Hockey. Funding for the feasibility and concept design of the Primrose Park Sportsfield Reconfiguration project has been allocated in the current financial year 2022/23.

Funding for the implementation of the Primrose Park Sportsfield Reconfiguration project has been allocated in the following financial year 2023/24.

No funding has been allocated to the implementation of a Synthetic Hockey Pitch at Primrose Park.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the report be received.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Beregi and seconded by Ms Cannon.

1.THAT the Primrose Park reconfiguration be made a standing item for the Sport and Recreation Reference Group.

2.THAT a copy of the Ryde Council report and resolution regrading synthetic playing surfaces be circulated to the Sport and Recreation Reference Group members.

2.THAT a presentation of the progress and improvements of hybrid hockey playing surfaces be made to the next Sport and Recreation Reference Group meeting.

4.THAT all sporting groups make submissions to NSROC requesting urgent action in relation to increasing the supply of playing fields and courts, both indoor and outdoor, throughout the NSROC area.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

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2.THAT a copy of the Ryde Council report and resolution regrading synthetic playing surfaces be circulated to the Sport and Recreation Reference Group members.

3.THAT a presentation of the progress and improvements of hybrid hockey playing surfaces be made to the next Sport and Recreation Reference Group meeting.

4.THAT all sporting groups make submissions to NSROC requesting urgent action in relation to increasing the supply of playing fields and courts, both indoor and outdoor, throughout the NSROC area.

3.2. Cammeray Park Usage and Extension of Operating Hours

AUTHOR: David Manson, Manager Parks and Reserves

To present information on the requirements to extend the hours of use at Cammeray Park Sportsfield.

This report presents information on the requirements to extend the hours of use under the current Development Application (DA) conditions at Cammeray Park Sportsfield.

No funding has been allocated to this project.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the report be received.

A Motion was moved by Mr Cox and seconded by Ms Simmonds.

1.THAT the Reference Group requests that Council progress the Development Application to extend the hours of operation at Cammeray Park.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

1.THAT the Reference Group requests that Council progress the Development Application to extend the hours of operation at Cammeray Park.

3.3. Informal Bike Tracks/Jumps

ENDORSED BY: Peter Massey, Acting Director Open Space and Environmental Services

To present information on opportunities to provide a Mountain Bike jump track in the North Sydney LGA.

This report presents information for discussion on potential sites within the North Sydney LGA for the installation of a Mountain Bike jump track.

No funding has been allocated to this project

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the report be received.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Beregi and seconded by Mr Cox.

1. THAT the report be received.

2.THAT Council's Youth Services and Partnerships Coordinator be asked to engage with local youth to determine the best site for any bike tracks at Forsyth Park.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

1. **THAT** the report be received.
2. **THAT** Council's Youth Services and Partnerships Coordinator be asked to engage with local youth to determine the best site for any bike tracks at Forsyth Park.

3.4. Wet Weather Approach and Sportsfields

AUTHOR: David Manson, Manager Parks and Reserves

To present information on wet weather procedures and Sportsfields.

This report presents information on the current process of assessing North Sydney Council's Sportsfields for suitability of play during wet weather. It also presents details on the problems many Councils have been faced with for the duration of this current period of extreme rainfall.

No financial implications.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** the report be received.
A Motion was moved by Councillor Beregi and seconded by Mr Cox.
1. **THAT** the report be received.
2. **THAT** the Reference Group extends its thanks to the Parks and Reserves teams for their efforts in keeping what grounds they can open during what has been a difficult sporting season.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

1. **THAT** the report be received.
2. **THAT** the Reference Group extends its thanks to the Parks and Reserves teams for their efforts in keeping what grounds they can open during what has been a difficult sporting season.

3.5. General Business**Update on the Commemorative Plaque for the Sydney Olympic Marathon Start Line (Matt Dawson – North Sydney Parkrun)**

Council's Historian has advised that he has been waiting for at least 6 months for the sign which will mark the significance of the blue line to arrive from the manufacturer in Melbourne. He doesn't have an eta despite enquiring several times.

A Motion was moved by Mr Dawson and seconded by Councillor Beregi

1. **THAT** the Reference Group receive an update on this matter at its next meeting.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

1.THAT the Reference Group receive an update on this matter at its next meeting.

The Meeting concluded at 7.06pm.

CHAIRPERSON

GENERAL MANAGER