



Sport and Recreation Reference Group

Report SR03 - 16 March 2020

Attachments:

Nil

SUBJECT: Provision of Basketball and Netball Hoops

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report presents information on potential locations for the installation of new Basketball and Netball hoops within the North Sydney LGA.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There is no current funding allocated to implement the recommendations within this report and this issue will need to be considered in future budget considerations.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council consider funding for the installation of Netball and Basketball hoops in future capital works budget processes.

2. THAT Council consider installing Netball and/or Basketball hoops at the following locations:

- Brightmore Reserve;
 - Bradfield Plaza;
 - Bradfield Park Central (synthetic surface);
 - St Leonards Park and
 - Waverton Bowling Club.
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LINK TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The relationship with the Community Strategic Plan is as follows:

Direction: 1. Our Living Environment
Outcome: 1.4 Public open space and recreation facilities and services meet community needs

BACKGROUND

A Notice of Motion was adopted at the Council meeting held on 28 October 2019:

Notice of Motion No. 10/19 – Cr Brodie - 23/10/19 Re: More Basketball Hoops and Netball Goal Rings for Informal Play in North Sydney

1. THAT Council requests a brief report to evaluate installing basketball hoops on existing hard surfaces and netball rings on grass and hard surfaces in North Sydney. The report to include cost, suggested locations where hard surfaces already exist that are suitable for basketball and grass areas suitable for netball goal rings in areas that are not in close proximity to residential areas. Suggested areas to include: Anderson Park, area under the Sydney Harbour Bridge and the Coal Loader.

CONSULTATION REQUIREMENTS

Community engagement will be undertaken in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Protocol.

SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

The sustainability implications are of a minor nature and did not warrant a detailed assessment.

DETAIL

This report provides information regarding the provision of additional Basketball and Netball hoops across the North Sydney LGA. The report considers suggested locations as well as estimated costs for the supply and installation of selected styles of equipment.

SUGGESTED LOCATIONS

Green Park Tennis Courts – The Green Park Tennis Courts currently provides one Basketball hoop on the northern side of the court. It is possible that the southern side of the court could accommodate an additional netball or basketball hoop. There is currently a dividing fence that would need to be removed and the surface drainage would also need to be adjusted to make the area generally flat and safe. Additionally this side of the court faces towards Cammeray Road

so would see shots that miss the backboard travel towards the road which is not ideal.



Brightmore Reserve - The concrete strip that covers the Sydney Water culvert at the rear of the tricycle track is close to level and approximately 4.5m wide. The area would not fit a full Basketball key without adding additional hardstand, however could accommodate a Basketball and/or Netball hoops for casual use.

At present the area is a construction site for Sydney Water whilst they undertake significant maintenance to the sewer line. Sydney Water have advised that they maybe onsite for another 12-18 months. There maybe an opportunity for Council to ask for some improvements and equipment to be installed when they reinstate the site as a public park.



Bradfield Plaza - The area currently houses one table tennis table and measures approx. 750m² and could accommodate a Basketball/Netball hoop or two.



Bradfield Park Central – The old bowling greens have been converted to a natural turf and synthetic surface for informal recreation and the site of the Kirribilli Markets. There are opportunities for both types of hoops to be installed on the synthetic surface here for casual play.



Anderson Park – Potentially a netball or basketball hoop could be installed in the turf area indicated below. However, this area of the park is not irrigated, and this type of use would make it impossible to retain a healthy cover of grass.



Forsyth Park - A netball hoop (or 2) could be installed in the turf area indicated below



There has been a report previously to this group at the meeting held on 20 May 2019 regarding the installation of a dual Cricket net at Forsyth Park. It was resolved:

- 1. THAT the report in relation to the Forsyth Park Proposal to Construct Practice Cricket Nets be received.***
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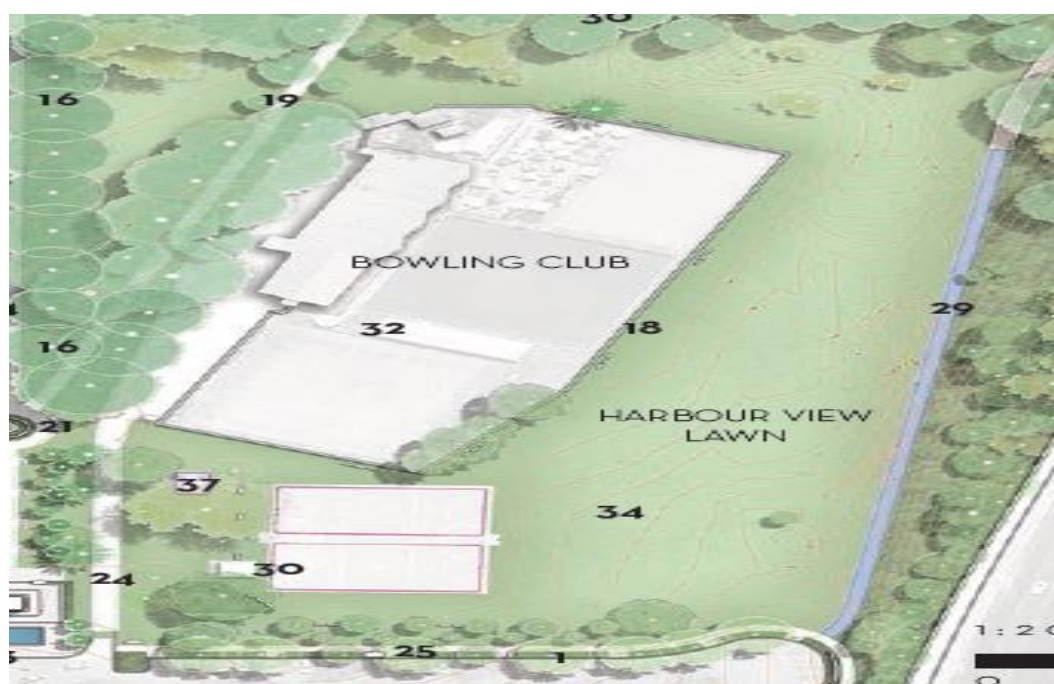
This report indicated the dual net Facility would be installed in the current location of the long jump pit of which is highlighted in red above.

St Leonards Park

As part of the St Leonards Park Masterplan the area of grass on the eastern side of the existing courts “The Harbour View Lawn” is an area allocated for improvements. The snippet taken from the Masterplan below indicates regrading of this existing turf area to create a level turf surface that could be used for a range of recreational uses.

This regarding work would offer a similar size area to that of the exiting hardsurface Netball/Basketball courts. Once completed there would be an opportunity to add two netball hoops/courts to this site.

Open Space and Environmental Services were planning on proceeding with this component of the Masterplan however due to the potential use of this area as a construction compound for the proposed Western Harbour Tunnel the project was placed on hold.



Waverton Bowling Club

As previously reported to the Sport and Recreation Reference Group, Council currently hold a temporary lease on this property after the Bowling Club went into liquidation.

Open Space and Environmental Services have undertaken community consultation on this site through a 2-stage process. Whilst there were differing views on what specific purpose the site should be ultimately used for i.e. passive recreation (54% of respondents) or active recreation (42% of respondents) parkland or a mixture of both. The strong position is that the land must be reintegrated into the existing Waverton Park Reserve for the purpose of providing parkland for public recreation that meets the community’s needs.

There is an opportunity at this site to include multi-sport courts such as basketball, netball, small sided football and tennis if the Council attains a longer term lease or care and control of this space.



TYPES OF EQUIPMENT AND COSTS

1. Multi-sport Unit



<p>Description</p> <p>The Multi-Sport unit offers Basketball, Netball and Soccer as base. Activities and can be fitted with additional activity-based panels such as rear targets, Striker Goalie or side Cricket panels which will increase the number of activities on offer.</p> <p>Costs</p> <p>Supply and install (excluding freight) approx. \$22,000 + GST</p>

2. NextGen Basketball Tower



Description

The NextGen Basketball Tower is designed to complement new or existing open space areas. This Tower is available in a range of modern colours.

Costs

Supply and install (excluding freight) approx. \$8,000 + GST

3. BT23- Basketball Tower



Description

This Tower comes in a galvanised finish with a heavy duty 'anti dunk' ring and all weather ply backboard 1800 x 1050mm. It has a 10 year structural warranty.

Costs

Supply and install (excluding freight) approx. \$4,000 + GST

4. Reversible Basketball/Netball Tower



Description

This Tower comes in a galvanised finish with a heavy duty 'anti dunk' ring and all weather ply backboard 1800 x 1050mm. It has a 10 year structural warranty.

Costs

Supply and install (excluding freight) approx.
\$5,000 + GST

5. Netball Pole



Description

This pole comes in a galvanised finish with a heavy duty ring.

Costs

Supply and install (excluding freight) approx.
\$1,500 + GST
