



MINUTES

The Minutes of the **Sport and Recreation Reference Group Meeting** held in the Ros Crichton Pavilion, 200 Miller Street, North Sydney on Tuesday 8 August 2023.



Councillor Beregi in the Chair, Councillors Baker, Santer and Welch.

Staff: Therese Manns, General Manager
Gary Parsons Director Open Space and Infrastructure
David Manson, Manager Parks & Reserves
Kieran Meurant, Turf Manager Parks and Reserves
Peita Rose, Governance Officer (Minutes)

Citizen Members: Layton Gould, Cammeray Golf Club
Cameron Herbert, North Sydney Junior Cricket
David Chapman, Primrose Park Tennis
Anne Simmons, Sydney University Hockey Club
(Juniors)
Rick Miller, Resident

Apologies were received from Patrick Lindsay, President North Sydney District Cricket Club and Simon Cox, President North Sydney United Football Club

1. Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 9 May 2023, copies of which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

Moved by Councillor Baker and seconded by Councillor Welch.

2. Disclosures of Interest

Nil

Council's newly appointed Director of Open Space and Infrastructure, Gary Parsons presented to the committee what his role entails and his experience before joining North Sydney Council.

3. Committee Reports

3.1. Capital Works Program 2023/24

AUTHOR David Manson, Manager Parks & Reserves

This report provides an update on sport and recreation Capital Works projects for the current financial year 2023/24.

This report presents an update on capital works projects that are scheduled to be completed within the current financial year 2023/24.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the Sport and Recreation Reference Group receive the Capital Works Program 2023/24 report.

The Motion was moved by Anne Simmons and seconded by Rick Miller.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

1. THAT the Sport and Recreation Reference Group receive the Capital Works Program 2023/24 report.

3.2. Lane Cove Council Indoor Sports Centre Update

AUTHOR David Manson, Manager Parks & Reserves

This report presents information to the Sport and Recreation Reference Group on the status of the proposed Indoor Sports Centre in Lane Cove.

This report provides relevant sport and recreation information from within the NSROC (Northern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils) district. The construction of a new Sport and Recreation facility in Lane Cove is of similar nature to issues within the North Sydney LGA.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the Lane Cove Council Indoor Sports Centre update report be received.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Welch and seconded by Anne Simmons.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

1. THAT the Lane Cove Council Indoor Sports Centre update report be received.

3.3. Draft Plan of Management for Foreshore Parks and Reserves

AUTHOR David Manson, Manager Parks & Reserves

This report presents information to the Sport and Recreation Reference Group on the Draft Plan of Management (PoM) for Foreshore Parks and Reserves that is now on exhibition.

The new draft PoM for Foreshore Parks & Reserves is the fifth Crown land PoM to be prepared for North Sydney. When adopted, it will supersede Council's Foreshore Parks and Reserves PoM 2017.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the Sport and Recreation Reference Group receive the Draft Plan of Management for Foreshore Parks and Reserves report.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Santer and seconded by Anne Simmons.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

1. THAT the Sport and Recreation Reference Group receive the Draft Plan of Management for Foreshore Parks and Reserves report.

3.4. Reconfiguration of Primrose Park Update

AUTHOR David Manson, Manager Parks & Reserves

The purpose of this report is to provide the Sport and Recreation Reference group with the outcome of the Primrose Park Sports Fields Reconfiguration proposal.

That at its meeting on the 26 June 2023, the Council resolved to discontinue the Primrose Park Reconfiguration project and that a compromise on the proposed reconfiguration will be to improve current drainage, which will increase the playing hours.

An assessment and financial costings of the improved drainage will be undertaken in the 2023/24 financial year with a view to undertaking these works in the 2024/25 financial year.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the Sport and Recreation Reference Group receive the Reconfiguration of Primrose Park Update report.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Welch and seconded by Councillor Santer.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

1. THAT the Sport and Recreation Reference Group receive the Reconfiguration of Primrose Park Update report.

4. General Business

Waverton Bowling Club

Anne Simmons asked what is happening with the Waverton Bowling Club and if Council has lost the option to acquire the Club.

The Mayor advised that their market is either Council or the state government to acquire it back, and due to there being a lot of projects going on at the moment with Council, at present acquisition is not on the current cards.

North Sydney Oval – Mollie Dive Function Centre

Rick Miller asked if the local clubs could share the Mollie Dive Function Centre after their games, and that there be more memorabilia at the facility.

Council's Turf Manager advised that any of the clubs are more than welcome to use the facility after their games.

Council's Turf Manager advised there is some memorabilia on show already especially on level 2. Council's General Manager advised that consideration needs to be taken into account, in regard to hosting alternate events and functions as the centre is not just used by Rugby Union.

5. Closure

Meeting closed at 6.50pm.