

## 9.1. Sport and Recreation Reference Group Minutes - 9 May 2023

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<b>ATTACHMENTS</b>	1. Minutes Sport & Recreation Reference Group - 9 May 2023 [9.1.1 - 6 pages]
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### PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to report the proceedings of the Sport and Recreation Reference Group to Council, and for Council to consider any recommendations from the Reference Group.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

- This report presents the recommendations of the last meeting of the Sport and Recreation Reference Group held on 9 May 2023.
- The Minutes are attached for the information of Council.

### RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. THAT** Council notes the ongoing efforts to liaise with Schools Infrastructure NSW (SINSW) on shared use of school facilities.
- 2. THAT** Tessa Pentony of SINSW be thanked for her attendance at the meeting.

## Background

The Charter of the Sport and Recreation Reference Group states:

*10.4 A report on the proceedings of Reference Group meetings are to be submitted to the next available meeting of Council for endorsement, including all recommendations. Any Councillor, irrespective of whether that Councillor is a member that Reference Group, may be the mover or seconder of a motion to confirm the proceedings of a Reference Group meeting.*

## Report

Section 7.2 of the Reference Group Charter states that:

*The Reference Group does not have the power to bind the Council.*

This report presents the recommendations of the last meeting of the Sport and Recreation Reference Group held on 9 May 2023.

The Reference Group recommendations for action to Council are considered below.

### **3.2. School Infrastructure NSW - Asset Sharing**

The Committee made the following recommendations:

- 2. THAT Council's Parks and Reserves Manager continues to liaise with Schools Infrastructure NSW on shared use of school facilities.*
- 3. THAT the Sport and Recreation Reference Group thank Tessa Pentony of SINSW for her attendance at the meeting.*

These recommendations of the Reference Group are supported, amended as follows as a recommendation to Council:

- 2. That Council notes the ongoing efforts to liaise with Schools Infrastructure NSW on shared use of school facilities*
- 3. THAT Tessa Pentony of SINSW be thanked for her attendance at the meeting.*



## MINUTES

The Minutes of the **Sport and Recreation Reference Group Meeting** held in the Ros Crichton Pavilion, 200 Miller Street, North Sydney on Tuesday 9 May 2023.



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

**Staff:** Therese Manns, General Manager  
Peter Massey, Acting Director Open Space and Environmental Services  
David Manson, Manager Parks & Reserves  
Kieran Meurant, Turf Manager Parks and Reserves  
Helen Connell, Business Partner  
Peita Rose, Governance Officer (Minutes)

**Citizen Members:** Layton Gould, Cammeray Golf Club  
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  
David Chapman, Tennis Coach Dalbech Primrose Park  
Tennis  
Patrick Lindsay, President North Sydney District  
Cricket Club (remote)  
Tom Radovanic, Resident (remote)

**Visitors:** Tessa Pentony, School Infrastructure NSW  
Pat Turner, Resident  
Diana Brown, Northern Sydney & Beaches Hockey  
(remote)

**Apologies** were received from Anne Simmons-Sydney University Hockey Club (Juniors), Ted Wziontek-Resident

### **1. Confirmation of Minutes**

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 15 November 2022, copies of which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

Moved by Councillor Welch and seconded by Councillor Bourke.

### **2. Disclosures of Interest**

Nil.

### **3. Committee Reports**

The School Infrastructure NSW - Asset Sharing report was brought forward to allow Tessa Pentony of School Infrastructure NSW to address the Reference Group on this item.

### **3.2. School Infrastructure NSW - Asset Sharing**

**AUTHOR** David Manson, Manager Parks & Reserves

The purpose of this report is to present information on how asset activations can open public schools for joint and shared use of school facilities within the North Sydney LGA. This includes use outside of school hours as well as during school holidays to help provide more active open space to the community.

This report provides information on the potential for Council to:

- collaborate with Schools Infrastructure NSW (SINSW) on joint use and shared use of school facilities outside of school hours; and
- increase the availability and use of active infrastructure within the North Sydney LGA.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. THAT** the report be received by the Sport and Recreation Reference Group.
- 2. THAT** Council's Parks and Reserves Manager continues to liaise with Schools Infrastructure NSW on shared use of school facilities.
- 3. THAT** the Sport and Recreation Reference Group thank Tessa Pentony of SINSW for her attendance at the meeting.

The Motion was moved by Simon Cox and seconded by Christine Cannon.

Voting was unanimous.

#### **Resolved to recommend:**

- 1. THAT** the report be received by the Sport and Recreation Reference Group.
- 2. THAT** Council's Parks and Reserves Manager continues to liaise with SINSW on shared use of school facilities.
- 3. THAT** the Sport and Recreation Reference Group thank Tessa Pentony of SINSW for her attendance at the meeting.

### **3.1. Council as a Child-Safe Organisation**

**AUTHOR** Helen Connell, Business Partner People & Culture

The purpose of this report is to provide an overview regarding Council's compliance as a Child Safe organisation and background as to actions taken to date.

The NSW Government amended the Children's Guardian Act 2019 to include the Child Safe Scheme. It came into operation on 1 February 2022. The amendment will enable the Office of the Children's Guardian (OCG) to audit an organisation's systems and processes to ensure compliance with the Child Safe Scheme. Council is working with the Sport and Recreation Committee to ensure the obligations under the Child Safe Scheme are met by Council and the Committee's members.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. THAT** the Sport and Recreation Committee receive a verbal update and presentation on this topic.

Council's Business Partner made a presentation to the Reference Group on this item.

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

Voting was unanimous.

**Resolved to recommend:**

1. **THAT** the verbal update and presentation on the Child Safe Scheme be received.

### **3.2. School Infrastructure NSW - Asset Sharing**

*(This matter was considered earlier in the meeting, see page 4)*

### **3.3. 2022/23 Capital Works Project Updates**

**AUTHOR** David Manson, Manager Parks & Reserves

To inform the Sport and Recreation Reference Group members of the status of the capital works projects within the current financial year 2022/23.

This report presents an update on capital works projects that are scheduled to be completed within the current financial year 2022/23.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. **THAT** the Sport and Recreation Reference Group receive this report.

The Motion was moved by Christine Cannon and seconded by Rick Miller.

Voting was unanimous.

**Resolved to recommend:**

1. **THAT** the 2022/23 Capital Works Project Updates report be received.

### **3.4. Sports Field Fees and Charges 2023/24**

**AUTHOR** David Manson, Manager Parks & Reserves

The purpose of this report is to provide the Sport and Recreation Reference Group members with information on changes and additions to the Sports field fees and charges structure commencing on July 1st, 2023.

- All existing and proposed sports field fees and charges have been assessed under Council's Revenue Policy.
- 3 new Sports field fees and charges are proposed.
- 1 change to an existing Sports field fee is proposed.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. **THAT** the Sport and Recreation Reference Group receive the report on amended sports fields fees and charges.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Welch and seconded by Simon Cox.

Voting was unanimous.

**Resolved to recommend:**

1. **THAT** the Sports Field Fees and Charges 2023/24 report be received.

#### **4. General Business**

The General Manager presented an update to the Reference Group on the following items:

- North Sydney Olympic Pool.
- future Capital Works budget allocations.

#### **5. Closure**

The meeting closed at 7.35pm.