

MINUTES

SPORTS AND FACILITIES REFERENCE GROUP

HELD AT 5.15 PM ON WEDNESDAY 17 MARCH 2015



PRESENT	
Cr Janice Kershaw (Chair)	Mr Phil Frkovic
Mr Gary Brickell	Mr C Bannerman
Mr Garry Bull	Mr Mark Johnston
Ms Daniel Foster	Mr M Dobie
IN ATTENDANCE	
Mark Bond-Recreation Services Manager, Wollongong City Council	Steve Maidment-Recreation & Open Space Project Officer, Wollongong City Council

1 WELCOME

2 APOLOGIES – Apologies were received and accepted on behalf of Cr Vicki Curran, Mr Peter Coyte, Mr Shannon Fraser, Mrs D Elvy, Mr Brendan Sheedy, Mr Peter Woods, Mr D Allen and Mr Keith Wallace.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - Nil

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 29 JULY 2014

Recommendation: The minutes of the meeting held on 2 December 2014 be amended to reflect Gary Brickell's comments re condition assessment report, otherwise accepted as true and accurate report. Moved Gary Brickell, seconded Gary Bull

5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES- An update on the proposed insurance model provided.

Recommendation: Information be received and noted.

6 Project update- SM provided an overview of the current projects,

- Thomas Dalton Amenities- development of a new meeting room, extend office space, enlarged disable amenity, new referee's room, large undercover shade areas off new canteen service windows, due for completion early May
- Shared Baseball / Softball facility- construction completed, infield area need some refurbishment.
- Unanderra Drainage – works completed early January, all parties extremely satisfied with results, draining well.
- Fred Finch Netball courts now completed, new surface laid, new poles and nets installed and courts remarked.
- Ziems Park Corrimal Fencing- Awaiting additional funding announcement, planned to commence late to early May
- Keira Cricket Pavilion- DA submitted, working through CC issues planned for construction late 2015.
- Wollongong Tennis- refurbishment of Beaton Park courts completed.

Recommendation: Information be received and noted

7 General Business

Gary Brickell

Inconsistency in mowing heights is causing issues on site, tractors mow cricket boundary which cross numerous touch fields, the difference in heights may lead to injury, just need to be consistent.

Also need to have clear and established guidelines on what is and isn't provided when booking a field or using a facility- ie line marking of fields.

Sky Dive the Beach continue to land on Thomas Dalton which is causing damage to the playing surface particularly when the surface is wet, who is responsible for the damage.

Recommendation: Steve Maidment to speak to City Parks & Sports field Coordinator re mowing regimes and review terms and conditions on hiring of fields.

Steve Maidment to talk to Commercial Property staff to address the ongoing issue with Sky Dive the Beach.

Daniel Foster –

Football is having issues with cricket not booking the fields at Thomas Gibson Park which is causing conflict with the sports.

Recommendation : Mark Johnston to make inquiries with Thirroul cricket, SM to check booking system.

Gary Bull

Issue with tree in Hockey Illawarra's licenced area, he was advised to contact Council's Commercial Property staff and seek permission to apply for a Tree Management Permit to remove the tree.

Gary Bull also advised that he was seeking access to the 2015 sports reserve fund for a successful 2014 bid earlier this financial year to assist in the replacement of the water cannon system.

Recommendation Gary Bull to forward invoices to Steve Maidment for payment.

Chris Bannerman

Thirroul Rugby league still pursuing funding options, the club needs to review the preliminary concept developed by WCC. Helensburgh is still pursuing lighting upgrades and are currently working through the process.

Corrimal submitted numerous projects via the NRL process however were unsuccessful, Chris Bannerman helping club to understand the process.

Recommendation- Steve Maidment to attain concepts designs and forward to Chris Bannerman

The meeting concluded at 6.25 pm.

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 19 May 2015 5.15pm

Minutes to be confirmed at the next meeting date to be advised.

ACTION SUMMARY

Item	Action	Officer	Status
	SM to provide update when available on insurance	SM	Ongoing
7	SM to speak to plant operators re mowing heights, check terms and conditions for hire agreements and speak to Commercial Property re SDTB	SM	
7	SM to email concept design to CB		