



MINUTES: SPORT AND RECREATION REFERENCE GROUP MEETING HELD IN THE SUPPER ROOM, NORTH SYDNEY VIA ZOOM, ON MONDAY 16 AUGUST 2021 AT 6.00PM.

PRESENT

Councillor Keen in the Chair and Councillor Brodie (attended remotely)

Staff: Robert Emerson, Director Open Space & Environmental Services (attended remotely)
David Manson, Manager Parks & Reserves (attended remotely)
Peita Rose, Governance Officer (Minutes)

Citizen Members: (all in attendance remotely)
Christine Cannon, North Sydney Women's Hockey/
Mosman Hockey
Ted Wziontek, Resident
Toni Field, Northern Suburbs Netball Association
Simon Cox, North Sydney United Football Club
Cameron Herbert, North Sydney Junior Cricket
Layton Gould, Cammeray Golf Club
Mark Ohlsson, Cammeray Golf Club
Anne Simmons, Sydney University Hockey Club (Juniors)
Kim Ryan, Northside Running
Matt Dawson, North Sydney Parkrun
Rick Miller, Resident
Andrew Capelin, North Sydney Brothers Rugby League
Daniel Martinez, North Sydney Indoor Sports Centre
Ineke Walker Northern Suburbs Netball Association

Apologies were received from Rob Lavery, North Sydney District Cricket Club, Tristan Liles, Australian Catholic University

9. Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 15 March 2021, copies of which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

The Motion was moved by Toni Field and seconded by Christine Cannon.

Voting was unanimous.

10. 3.1. Anderson Park Masterplan Implementation

Report of David Manson - Parks and Reserves Manager

This report presents information on the Anderson Park Masterplan Implementation.

Recommending:

1. **THAT** the report be received.

The Motion was moved by Toni Field and seconded by Christine Cannon.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

1. **THAT** the report be received.

11. 3.2. Capital Works Program update

Report of David Manson - Parks and Reserves Manager

This report presents an update on capital works projects that were scheduled to be completed within the last financial year 2020/21 as well as planned projects for 2021/22

Recommending:

1. **THAT** the report be received.

The Motion was moved by Christine Cannon and seconded by Toni Field.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

1. **THAT** the report be received.

12. 3.3. Tunks Park Cricket Wicket Renewals

Report of David Manson - Parks and Reserves Manager

This report presents information on an upgrade to the Synthetic Cricket Wickets at Tunks Park

Recommending:

1. **THAT** the report be received.

The Motion was moved by Cameron Herbert and seconded by Toni Field.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

1. **THAT** the report be received.

13. 3.4. Hybrid Turf Trial Update August 2021

Report of David Manson - Parks and Reserves Manager

This report provides updated information on the trial of Hybrid Turf.

Recommending:

1. **THAT** the report be received.
2. **THAT** Council continue to monitor the performance of the Hybrid turf over the high impact winter season.

A Motion was moved by Christine Cannon and seconded by Anne Simmons.

1. **THAT** a report be put forward for the possibility of a hockey field at Primrose Park.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

1. **THAT** the report be received.
2. **THAT** Council continue to monitor the performance of the Hybrid turf over the high impact winter season.
3. **THAT** a report be put forward for the possibility of a synthetic hockey field at Primrose Park.

14. General Business

Cricket Nets in Forsyth Park -

At present there isn't any updates on this item.

St Leonards Park

Matt Dawson has requested an update be provided on timing and scope

Matt Dawson asked if there were any updates on the next stage of development in St Leonards Park, as Parkrun have reconfigured their course to take into account the upgrades that have been done to Tunks Way, and it would be good to know when there is going to be further disruption to the park.

Council's Director Open Space and Environmental Services stated that the detailed design is to go out to tender for construction of stage 3, that includes the whole area between North Sydney Oval and Ridge Street.

Council is pushing for this to go to tender as soon as possible to enable us to commence construction in approximately 3 months' time.

The existing playground will also be upgraded, with an objective to have the upgrade completed by the end of the calendar year.

Matt Dawson from Parkrun stated that they have heavy equipment that needs to be lugged back and forth each weekend, and wanted to know if there was any space they could store their cart.

Matt Dawson will take a photo of the cart and send to the Director Open Space and Environmental Services to see if it is possible to find some storage onsite.

General Discussion – Touching base on how clubs are coping with the COVID-19 Pandemic

General Business Item requested by Jessica Keen, Councillor and Co-Chair of the Reference Group.

Anne Simmons - Sydney University Hockey Club (Juniors)

Anne stated that all their competitions have stopped for the year due to covid restrictions. They are hoping to be able to play some summer hockey.

Christine Cannon - North Sydney Women's Hockey/Mosman Hockey

Christine stated that all the winter sports have been cancelled due to covid restrictions. They are hoping for an indoor competition as Willoughby Leisure Sports Centre has welcomed them to play indoor hockey at their facility.

Andrew Capelin- North Sydney Brothers/North Sydney Bears

Andrew stated their Comp has been cancelled due to Covid restrictions and that they were looking towards having an Oz tag competition for the summer season if it permits.

Daniel Martinez - North Sydney Indoor Sports Centre

Andrew stated that North Sydney Indoor Sports Stadium is the most visited site in the North Sydney LGA, 10,700 visitors per week attend the centre but at the moment it is closed.

Simon Cox - North Sydney United Football Club

Simon stated that the winter season has been cancelled due to covid restrictions and they are hoping to be running some summer soccer if it permits.

Matt Dawson - Parkrun

Matt stated that they were out of action for about 9 months last year. They did get 6 months up until end of June this year. They will wait to hear from Parkrun HQ as to when they can start again.

Layton Gould/Mark Ohlsson - Cammeray Golf Club

Layton stated that the Golf Club is different from everyone else, they are extremely busy at the moment and have had to turn people away. Golf is an important part of the community sporting mix. On the Golf Course they are busy, but their Golf Club is closed at the moment.

Cameron Herbert - North Sydney District Junior Cricket Club

Cameron stated that the cricket season is due to commence in October, but he doubts they will commence on time. They are looking at maybe having a late kick off in November.

Tunks Parks Amenities Building.

Council's Director Open Space stated that Council received a \$250,000 funding grant for the upgrade of the Tunks Park amenities building and that Council would go ahead with this upgrade.

Bon Andrews Oval

Council has received a grant from Cricket NSW which Council will then add 50% towards the cost of works at Bon Andrews Oval. North Sydney Council is buying full wicket batting cages, replacing the site screens and increasing the size of the wicket table on Bon Andrews Oval.

The Meeting concluded at 7.25pm.

CHAIRPERSON

GENERAL MANAGER