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RYDE KICKS A GOAL WITH FIFA WORLD CUP LIVE SITE

Soccer fans will be able to kick off the FIFA World Cup in style with the City of Ryde to broadcast Australia's first game of the tournament live on a big screen at ELS Hall Park, North Ryde following unanimous support from Council at this week's meeting.

This year's FIFA World Cup will take place in Russia with Australia beginning their tournament against France on Saturday 16 June.

The live site at ELS Hall Park will be a family friendly event with food and fun activities planned throughout the evening.

City of Ryde Mayor, Cllr Jerome Laxale, said the FIFA World Cup live site will be a great opportunity for fans from across the City of Ryde to get together and cheer on Australia in what is now arguably the biggest sporting tournament in the world.

"Ryde is full of football fans and it is only right that they have the chance to come together and watch Australia begin their World Cup campaign at this dedicated live site," Cllr Laxale said.

"It will be a terrific family event with great food, great football and great company. So mark it in your diary for 16 June, 6pm for an 8pm kick off and let's all get together to cheer on Australia.

"The City of Ryde is determined to enhance its night time economy and initiatives like the FIFA World Cup live site help achieve that."

Cllr Laxale said the success of the FIFA World Cup live site event will help inform the feasibility of staging similar events for other sporting tournaments in the future.

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