
**MM22/12 RYDE CITY BOWLING CLUB - The Mayor, Councillor
Ivan Petch**

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The attached letter from the RydeX Club identifies that the Club is interested in operating the former Ryde Bowling Club as a sports and bowling club. Further the Club is prepared to reinstate the top bowling green to competition standard.

As a result of the receipt of this letter, it is appropriate that Council invite the management of the RydeX Club to address Council and further that Council seek expressions of interest relating to the future use of the Ryde Bowling Club premises.

RECOMMENDATION:

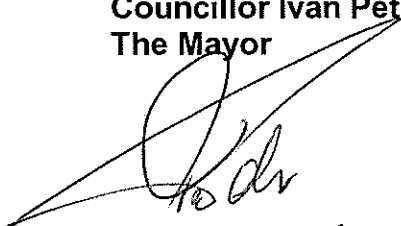
- (a) That Council receive and note the correspondence from the RydeX Club.
- (b) That Council request the General Manager to prepare an expression of interest/tender (EOI) document and seek submissions from the community with regard to the future use of the Ryde Bowling Club site for Council's consideration and that this EOI be issued as soon as legally practicable given the current receivership.
- (c) That Councillors input be sought, at a future workshop session, on the proposed assessment criteria to be used in evaluating the submissions prior to the close of the EOI/tender period.
- (d) That Council invite the directors of the RydeX Club and other parties who make a submission to the above process, to a future Council workshop to address Council with regard to their proposal for the Ryde Bowling Club.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Letter regarding Ryde Bowling Club

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DATE: 07/12/2012

RE: RYDE CITY BOWLING CLUB

Dear Councilors,

It has come to the attention of my clubs board the Ryde City Bowling Club has ceased trading. After discussions amongst the board I am writing on behalf of them and the 4000 community members they represent, to offer an expression of interest to open discussions for the potential future ongoing use of the site by this club.

Club Rydex as you would be aware are located only one block away from the Ryde City Bowling Club Site, and as such moving forward with plans to redevelop our own property in line with the principles of the 2011 LEP which has afforded us this opportunity, the board considers it strategically prudent at this stage to further investigate the potential to use this site for its intended purpose as a community club. This would incorporate using it for its original use in some form as a bowling and sporting club, and to bring back to life and in to local hands a community club that could be lost forever.

Club Rydex has been a long standing member of this community and believes its intentions in this matter to be honorable and in line with the objectives of the site, to provide community sporting infrastructure and a venue for social engagement in the City of Ryde, by most importantly a locally controlled club with its interests in this community.

I look forward to receiving your response and instruction in this matter.

Regards

Bradley Browne
Chief Executive Officer
Club Rydex