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# CHRISTIE PARK Lifestyle and opportunity SPORTING FACILITY UPGRADE

#### Is Christie Park being prepared to be sold?

No. Christie Park is classified as 'community land'. This proposal does not alter the land classification, only the land categorisation. Community Land is protected by the Local Government Act 1993 and cannot be sold.

#### What is land classification?

All public land must be classified as either 'operational land' or 'community land'. The land classification effects Council's ability to use and dispose of the land. Christie Park is classified 'community land', protected by the Local Government Act 1993 and cannot be sold.

#### What is land categorisation?

Council is required by the Local Government Act 1993 to categorised 'community' land' as either; natural area, sportsground, park, area of cultural significance, general community use, bushland, wetland, an escarpment, a watercourse, or foreshore. These categories inform how Council manages the land in accordance with the core objectives of each category.

The core objectives for land categorised as park is to encourage, promote, provide and facilitate recreational, cultural, social and education pastimes and activities for passive recreational activities and the casual playing of games.

The core objective for land categorised as sportsground is to encourage, promote and facilitate recreational pursuits in the community for organised and/or informal sporting activities and games. The land is to be managed having regard to any adverse impact on nearby residences.

The core objective for land categorised as general community use is to promote, encourage and provide for use of the land and facilities on the land to meet the current and future needs of the local community and wider public. Typically, when the proposed use of the land does not align with the other core objectives, the land should be classified as general community use.

# Why is Council recategorising land within Christie Park?

Council is proposing to recategorise land within Christie Park to better serve the growing number of residents within the City. Council proses to recategorise a portion of 'park' to 'sportsground' and 'sportsground' to 'general community use'. Recategorising the land will ensure that the future use aligns with the core objectives of the land. This will allow Council to build multiple synthetic playing

fields, a grandstand and a futsul facility to provide more active recreational opportunities for the community.

#### How much land at Christie Park if affected?

Category	Existing		Proposed	
	m2	%	m2	%
Natural Area	7,760	15%	7,760	15%
Park	15,420	30%	14,725	28%
Sportsground	28,260	54%	20,980	40%
General	765	1%	8,740	17%
Community Use				
Total	52,215	100%	52,214	100%

#### What is a Plan of Management?

A Plan of Management identifies important features of the land, clarifies how Council manages the land and how the land may be used and improved.

### When will the masterplan be fully realised?

The masterplan has been split into four stages. The first stage includes constructing two synthetic fields and realigning associated infrastructure. Stage two includes a new centralised grandstand including new amenities. Stage three is the development of a futsal centre. Stage four is the development of a third synthetic field. At this stage, Council has allocated funding to stage one.

## When will stage one be completed?

Construction is expected to be completed in 2017.

# Who will manage the synthetic fields?

Council will continue to manage the booking of the fields at Christie Park according to Council's current allocation policy. When the fields are constructed, please contact Council on 9952 8222 for booking enquires.

#### How do I make a submission?

Submissions must be received in writing and clearly marked 'Christie Park – Sporting Facility Upgrade'. They can be lodged by;

- Webpage: <u>www.cityofryde.gov.au/haveyoursay</u>
- Email: <a href="mailto:cityofryde@ryde.nsw.gov.au">cityofryde@ryde.nsw.gov.au</a>
- Post: General Manager, City of Ryde, Locked Bag 2069, North Ryde NSW 1670.

# How will my submission be used?

Your submission will be considered and responded to in the subsequent report to Council for the adoption.

## How long do I have to make a submission?

All submissions must be received by 4:30pm on Monday 5 September 2016.