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<b>Venue:</b>	Room 3, Level 5, Civic Centre, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde	
<b>Date:</b>	Monday, 10 <sup>th</sup> August 2015	
<b>Time:</b>	6.00pm	Started at: 6.00pm      Closed at: 7.00pm
<b>Chair:</b>	Deputy Mayor, Councillor Roy Maggio	
<b>Meeting Support (MS):</b>	Linda Smith	
<b>Staff Convenor:</b>	Simon James, Section Manager – Sport and Recreation	
<b>Circulation:</b>		

**Committee Role:****The primary role of the Sport and Recreation and Wheeled Sports Advisory Committee is to:**

- Act as a central point of communication between Council and the sporting and recreational groups in the City of Ryde.
- Foster the appreciation, development and maintenance of sporting and recreational facilities, clubs and opportunities in the City of Ryde.
- Assist clubs where possible, in the application process for grants/sponsorships.
- Make recommendations to Council in respect to both the operation of sporting and recreational facilities and Capital Works Program through the Management Plan.
- Assist in the promotion of sport and recreation in the City of Ryde.
- Provide a link to bond and strengthen the diverse background within the City of Ryde through the utilisation of our parks and sport and recreation facilities.
- Advise and make recommendations to Council on the potential options for developing a skate park.
- Advise Council on the need for wheeled sports' facilities in the City of Ryde.

**Committee Members as per the Terms of Reference**

Present	Apology	Name	Position Title	Organisation
✓		Councillor Roy Maggio	Chairperson	City of Ryde
✓		Councillor Terry Perram	Delegate	City of Ryde
✓		Elizabeth Lawrence		Macquarie Dragons Football Club
	✓	Chris Harvey		Ryde Rugby Club
✓		Sandra Donovan		Ryde Concord Sailing Club
	✓	David Fletcher		Ryde Community Sports Centre (ELS Hall Park)
✓		Anne Doring		Eastwood Ryde Netball Association
✓		Christie Rudge		Ravens Sports Club
		Thomas Jubb		North Ryde Dockers
		Simon Farrow		Ultimate Frisbee
✓		Craig Menzies		Northern District Cricket Association
		Chris Ranine		Ryde Hornsby Baseball League
	✓	Matt Anderson		Anderson Events
✓		Buck Findley		Gladesville Hornsby Football Association and North West Sydney Women's Football Association
✓		Judy Watt		Eastwood Ryde Netball Association
		Chris Rutter		Putney Rangers Football Club
✓		Lindsay Donald		West Ryde Rovers Sports Club
		Karen Waud		West Ryde Rovers Sports Club
		Keith Alden		West Ryde Rovers Sports Club
✓		Michael Masulans		Eastwood St Andrews AFC
	✓	Kim Clifton		Ryde Panthers Football Club
✓		Lina Candy		Putney Rangers Football Club
✓		Jason Cowland		Community Representative

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**Additional Attendees**

Name	Position Title	Organisation
Simon James	Section Manager – Sport & Recreation	City of Ryde
Ian Andrews	Acting SUM – Open Space	City of Ryde
Daniel Ristic	Sports Ground Liaison Officer	City of Ryde
Linda Smith	EA to the Mayor and Councillors	City of Ryde
Clr Jerome Laxale	Councillor	City of Ryde

Details	Action	Responsibility and Date
1.	<p><b>Present:</b> As detailed above.</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> As detailed above</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted.</p>

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<p>2. <b>Review of Minutes from last Meeting – 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2015</b></p> <p>The Minutes from the meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2015 were confirmed and endorsed.</p> <p>Live Action List update on actions to date:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Skate Park – 1<sup>st</sup> meeting has been held and was attended by representatives of Hunters Hill Council. Next meeting to be held at the end of August 2015.</li> <li>• Field signage – name of club/open/closed/ comment similar to Leichardt/club sign – Still awaiting feedback from General Counsel. Information should be received prior to next meeting.</li> <li>• Disabled parking at ELS Hall Park – This matter was raised at the recent user group meeting. YMCA is considering the provision of temporary parking for disabled drivers. This is required for reasons of safety. It is difficult for drivers to see wheelchair users.</li> <li>• Consideration of funds for resurfacing of carparks in next budget discussion – This matter to be considered in November 2015.</li> <li>• Name change for this committee – No feedback received.</li> <li>• Bill Mitchell Park drainage – some drainage issues have been addressed in conjunction with the Ryde River Walk upgrade. A long term solution is still being sought.</li> <li>• Comments re additional parking at sporting venues – The only comment received was from Buck Findlay.</li> <li>• Electricity testing and tagging – thank you to those who have finalised this. Any groups that have not undertaken this work please ensure it is completed by the end of August.</li> <li>• Sport &amp; Recreation Strategy – Expression of Interest sought from Committee members – comments from Jason Cowland – separate agenda item.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted</p>	

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<p>3. <b>Signage and Banners</b></p> <p>It was noted that in some areas, banners relating back to 2011 are still being displayed.</p> <p>The relevant state legislation ISEPP, provides for banners to be erected for 14 days and then removed two days after an event.</p> <p>Council is willing to allow banners advertising season registration to be displayed for longer. Periods covering school holidays etc will also be taken into account.</p> <p>It was noted that all clubs should be treated equally.</p> <p><u>Defibrillators.</u></p> <p>A request was made that Council's website note that a defibrillator is available at Waterloo Park. Appropriate signage to be provided at Waterloo Park advising of the location of the defibrillator.</p>	<p>The information was noted. There is no need for an extra policy to be created. Clubs are required to seek Council's approval prior to the erection of banners.</p> <p><b>Action Item</b> Staff to investigate promoting on Council's website and to be updated with advice regarding provision of defibrillator at Waterloo Park.</p>	
<p>4. <b>City of Ryde – Sport and Recreation Strategy</b></p> <p>The first meeting of this group will be held on 19<sup>th</sup> August 2015.</p> <p>Strategic Leisure has been appointed to undertake the strategy and a preliminary meeting has been held with the General Manager.</p> <p>It was noted that the number of participants in sport in the local area is increasing all the time and that limited open space is available for use by sporting groups.</p> <p>The Sport and Recreation Strategy is seen as an opportunity to set the future direction of sports in the local area.</p> <p>The charter and scope of Strategic Leisure's involvement is to be circulated to members of the committee.</p>	<p>The information was noted.</p> <p>Simon to provide Jason Cowland the project brief for the Sport &amp; Recreation Strategy</p> <p>This committee to receive regular updates following meetings of the strategy group.</p> <p>The findings of the group will be placed on public exhibition early in 2016 prior to the matter being determined by Council – possibly in Feb / March 2016.</p>	

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<p>5. <b>Management of parking at sports grounds</b></p> <p>Issues regarding dangerous parking practices in sporting ground carparks were discussed.</p> <p>There have been numerous near misses at Meadowbank due to conflicts between pedestrians and vehicles.</p> <p>People with mobility issues, using walkers, prams and the disabled are all at risk in carparks where motorists can be distracted or not see individuals.</p> <p>Suggestions were made as to the need for vehicles to reverse into spaces, have designated drop off areas, allow parking on grass areas etc.</p> <p>ERNA advised that it has trained 14 people in traffic management to assist with parking issues at its games.</p> <p>It was noted that some grounds have blind spots which the use of mirrors may assist.</p>	<p>The issue of parking to be referred to the Sport and Recreation Strategy group for consideration.</p> <p>The matter also to be referred to Council’s traffic section for advice back to this committee.</p>	

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<p>6. <b>Closure of grounds – review process</b></p> <p>It was noted that Councillors had attended a workshop on this matter.</p> <p>It is now necessary for Council officers and Association and Club members from both winter and summer sports to review this matter.</p> <p>Upon formation of a new procedure, all clubs and associations to be advised.</p> <p>It was noted that player safety needs to be paramount.</p> <p>Most present supported Councils decision to close the grounds and were grateful that the decision was made early enough to allow notification to players.</p> <p>It was agreed that closing the grounds for training sessions to maintain integrity for games was a good strategy.</p> <p>The use of split rounds due to partial closures is an issue.</p> <p>It was noted that grounds need to rest prior to summer season. The current two week rest period is not enough.</p> <p>Better maintenance and preparation of grounds is required between seasons. No amount of rest will make up for poor preparation.</p> <p>Eg of Peel Park and divots was provided.</p> <p>The foundations of Peel Park are poor and the area does not receive much sun.</p> <p>The drainage at Meadowbank 7 and 8 is poor and ELS Hall also needs a lot of work.</p> <p>The committee was advised that there were 16 days where there were full ground closures and 14 days of partial ground closures this season.</p>	<p>Better preparation not just rest, is considered necessary to improve the quality of fields when they pass from one season to another.</p> <p>Examination of fields to be carried out which are noted as having issues such as drainage and poor foundations.</p>	

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<p>7. <b>General Business</b></p> <p><b>Co-contribution models</b></p> <p>Various models for seeking co-contributions from clubs and tenancy arrangements were raised.</p> <p>It was noted that clubs are not cash rich and that efforts are made to keep costs low so that children can afford to take part in sport.</p> <p>It was mentioned that playing fields are public parks and their upkeep should be the responsibility of Council.</p> <p>There was discussion regarding the practice in some areas of levying clubs and targeting specific grounds each year.</p> <p>It was noted that actions such as installing lights at Waterloo Park create a benefit to the wider community through allowing people to ride their bikes and walk through the area at night.</p> <p>Clr Maggio mentioned that greater contributions from clubs allow Council to improve facilities.</p> <p><b>PINK Football girls soccer</b></p> <p>The recent day held at Morrison Park was a great success. It is hoped to hold the day again next year.</p> <p>Some of the girls may now enter the mainstream competition.</p> <p><b>ERNA State Age Championships</b></p> <p>Anne advised that the day had been a great success and that much positive feedback had been received.</p> <p><b>Upcoming events.</b></p> <p>Eastwood Park will be used for major activities at the Granny Smith Festival.</p> <p>The Korean Moon Festival will also be held at the park on 26<sup>th</sup> September.</p> <p>The walk for cancer will be held at Meadowbank in the first week of November.</p> <p><b>Capital Works Update</b></p> <p>Morison Bay Park – DA is currently being assessed.</p> <p>Tyagara Park – toilets to be constructed in December/January.</p> <p>Synthetic turf – Tenders currently under evaluation</p> <p>ELS 1 – tenders are being evaluated.</p>	<p>Council’s User fees and contributions policy have been sent out to the clubs.</p> <p>These fees recognise the contributions by clubs.</p> <p>Advise to be provided to ERNA on progress of work on court 24.</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	

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<p>9. <b>Next Meeting</b></p> <p>The next meeting is scheduled for 9<sup>th</sup> November 2015.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>	