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Venue:	Room 3, Level 5, Civic Centre, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde	
Date:	Monday, 11 May 2015	
Time:	6.00pm	Started at: 6.00pm Closed at: 7.45pm
Chair:	Deputy Mayor, Councillor Roy Maggio	
Meeting Support (MS):	Linda Smith	
Staff Convenor:	Simon James, Acting Manager – Open Space	
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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 Rainnie		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 Football Club
✓		Karen Waud		West Ryde Rovers Football Club
✓		Keith Alden		West Ryde Rovers Football 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	Acting Manager – Open Space	City of Ryde
Jeff Kerr	Project Manager – Project Development	City of Ryde
Michael Longworth	Casual Projects Liaison Officer	City of Ryde
Daniel Ristic	Sports Ground Liaison Officer	City of Ryde
Amanda Janvrin	Section Manager - Governance	City of Ryde
Vince Barbaro		Remember Mike – Save a Life

Details	Action	Responsibility and Date
1. Present: As detailed above. Apologies: As detailed above	Noted. Noted.	
2. Review of Minutes from last Meeting – 16 February 2015 The Minutes from the meeting held on 16 February 2015 were confirmed and endorsed.	Noted.	

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<p>3. Capital Works Update</p> <p>Jeff Kerr provided an update on the following items:-</p> <p><u>Morrison Bay Lights</u></p> <p>Additional information has been sought regarding acoustic and ecology details associated with the application.</p> <p>The additional information is expected by the end of May 2015.</p> <p>Following receipt of the information, a further meeting will be held with Council’s assessment team. The information will then be submitted to Council for consideration following a public exhibition period.</p> <p><u>ELS Hall</u></p> <p>There have been a number of technical issues with the proposal to provide synthetic turf including drainage issues.</p> <p>A design is being sought for No. 1 field.</p> <p>Provision for lights is to be included in the design.</p> <p>Construction is expected to commence in October 2015 and be completed by 2016.</p> <p>An information day for local residents and users of the site will be held on 30th May 2015.</p> <p><u>General Works</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gannan Park - Irrigation works are to be carried out at this site. • ELS Hall – upgrade of 2 baseball fields • Morrison Bay amenities building – roof replacement 	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>A copy of the audit of sports field lighting (when available) to be provided to the Committee</p> <p>A copy of the draft Capital Works programme for 2016/17 to be provided to the Committee at the November meeting.</p>	

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<p>4. Skate Park in the City of Ryde</p> <p>Councillor Maggio advised that he has a Notice of Motion before Council on 12th May 2015 regarding the provision of a skate park in City of Ryde.</p> <p>No action had been taken with regard to the construction of a skate park despite numerous reports and discussions over the past ten years.</p> <p>A previous assessment of the parks for their suitability for the location of a skate facility found Eastwood Park to be the most suitable location for a skate park.</p> <p>At the time the assessment was undertaken Council asked staff to undertake detailed investigation into Meadowbank Park, Blenheim Park, ELS Hall Park and within the grounds of Macquarie University.</p>	<p>The Committee noted that it formally supports the provision of a skate park in the City of Ryde.</p>	
<p>5. Unauthorised usage of grounds</p> <p>The use of various fields by informal groups was discussed.</p> <p>These groups do not pay hiring fees and are using the grounds on a regular basis without permission.</p> <p>They do not leave the fields when requested.</p> <p>They are causing damage to the fields by playing on them, even when they are closed due to bad weather.</p> <p>The Rangers will respond to calls advising of unauthorised use when resources allow and ask the groups to move on but the groups simply move to another field nearby.</p> <p>If signs are erected at the parks stating that fields are either closed or open, then the Rangers are more empowered to enforce this decision and can issue fines to people who act contrary to signage.</p> <p>It was noted that the Rangers have made close to 100 patrols to sports fields each month for the last 2 months.</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>The Committee Chairman requested a special meeting of this Committee to be held on 22nd June 2015 to further discuss this matter.</p> <p>All members of this committee are welcome to attend.</p> <p>Simon James to request a member of the Rangers Team and Paul Kapetas – Legal Counsel to also be in attendance.</p>	

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<p>6. Special Events Management</p> <p>The recent incident with a lack of bins provided for ERNA was noted. It was an issue with the contractor rather than Council.</p> <p>The lack of parking at all venues during both regular sporting events and special events was discussed.</p> <p>Suggestions such as utilising adjoining playing fields for parking were discussed.</p> <p>The major issue is that insufficient parking was provided at the time the fields were created.</p>		<p>Noted.</p> <p>Clubs to provide feedback to Simon with regard to the possibility of creating even a small number of additional spaces at the grounds they use.</p> <p>Simon to bring this information back to the Committee and works to be considered as part of the program for future Capital Projects.</p>	
<p>7. Defibrillators</p> <p>Vince Barbaro from Remember Mike – Save a Life spoke about Mike Hughes who died from a heart attack aged 38 leaving behind a nine week old baby.</p> <p>A subsequent fundraising night raised \$34,000 – enough to buy 15 defibrillators.</p> <p>City of Ryde has accepted 5 machines and a meeting will be held with staff in the coming weeks to finalise the locations of these machines.</p> <p>A training night will then be held for sporting groups in the use of the machines.</p>		<p>Mr Bailbaro suggested that clubs may wish to consider supporting the Remember Mike – Save a Life cause each year. Defibrillators can be purchased for just over \$2,000.00 and any money donated by the clubs would be used to provide machines in the local area.</p> <p>It was also noted that it is very important that defibrillators be located with the first aid kit and taken onto the field with the first aid kit so it is available in the case of an emergency.</p>	
<p>8. Signage within parks</p> <p>The provision of signage to be considered for inclusion into Council’s Capital Works Program each year.</p> <p>It was suggested that various options for signage be investigated.</p>		<p>Simon to ensure that the provision of signage is included as part of the process for prioritising projects for the Capital Works Program.</p>	
<p>9. Morrison Bay Users Meeting</p> <p>Councillor Maggio advised that a meeting between the various users is overdue.</p> <p>He has a Notice Of Motion before Council on 12th May recommending that a meeting be held between the various users of Morrison Bay fields.</p>		<p>Noted</p>	

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<p>10. Sport and Recreation Strategy discussion</p> <p>Simon advised that an EOI seeking a consultant to create a strategy for Sport and Recreation in COR is open until Mid May 2015.</p> <p>The consultant will examine areas such as parking, the increasing population of the area, need for additional facilities, increase in lighting of fields etc.</p> <p>The consultant will look at sport and rec and existing facilities across COR.</p> <p>They will examine current needs and options available over the next ten years.</p> <p>A project group comprising staff and a project reference group of interested stakeholders will be formed.</p>	<p>Noted</p>	

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<p>11. General Business</p> <p><u>Ryde Community Sports Centre</u></p> <p>Buck Findlay raised questions about the Ryde Community Sports Centre and the condition of the building including the roof and condition of the painting.</p> <p>He asked if Council could lodge an insurance claim against the builder who went bankrupt.</p> <p>Simon advised that a \$100,000 retention monies was available to put toward the cost of roof repairs and other building defects.</p> <p>Simon further advised that the painting works will be rectified at the painter's expense.</p> <p><u>Meadowbank Park Lighting</u></p> <p>Simon advised that the lights at Meadowbank Park are being repaired.</p> <p>Damage to the modem has caused a programming issue but this is being rectified.</p> <p>There will be no charge to users for lighting whilst it is not available.</p> <p><u>Ryde Riverwalk</u></p> <p>Street lighting is required to be repaired on this route in the vicinity of Putney at Ryde Bridge.</p> <p>This area is very dark as the lights are not working.</p> <p><u>Amenities at sporting fields</u></p> <p>It was reported that at multi user venues it would be useful to have greater supplies of items such as toilet paper and paper towel. Recently there was a lack of these items which caused some distress.</p> <p><u>Opening of amenities block – ELS Hall</u></p> <p>The official opening of the amenities block will be held on 19th May 2015. All are invited to attend.</p> <p><u>Banner Policy</u></p> <p>Chris Harvey advised he is still finalising a banner policy for consideration by the committee.</p>	<p>Repair works required to the roof to be followed up with Council's Public Works Section.</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Simon advised a call should be logged with Council's customer service centre to report this issue.</p> <p>Arrangements to be made to provide a greater supply of staple items at multi user venues.</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	

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<p>9. Next Meeting</p> <p>The next meeting is scheduled for 10th August 2015</p> <p>A special meeting will be held on 22nd June to consider unauthorised usage of sports grounds.</p>		<p>Noted.</p>	