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Venue:	Room 3, Level 5, Civic Centre, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde			
Date:	Monday, 16 February 2015			
Time:	6.00pm Started at: 6.00pm Closed at: 7.55pm			
Chair:	Deputy Mayor, Councillor Roy Maggio			
Meeting Support (MS):	Amanda Janvrin			
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
✓		Pat Gilchrist		Eastwood Croquet 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
✓		Michael Masulans		Eastwood St Andrews AFC
✓		Kim Clifton		Ryde Panthers Football Club
		Lina Candy		Putney Rangers Football Club

Additional Attendees

Name	Position Title	Organisation
Simon James	Acting Manager – Open Space	City of Ryde

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Tatjana Domazet	Acting Group Manager – Community Life	City of Ryde
Amanda Janvrin	Section Manager - Governance	City of Ryde

Details	5	Action	Responsibility and Date
1.	Present: As detailed above.	Noted.	
	Apologies: As detailed above	Noted.	
2.	Review of Minutes from last Meeting – 10 November 2014		
	The Minutes from the meeting held on 10 November 2014 were confirmed and endorsed with one amendment to Section 3 Safe Club Presentation to read as follows:-	Noted.	
	Safe Club was established in 2006 (not 2206).		
3.	Change Rooms / Canteen use and allocation		
	Councillor Maggio advised that for fairness and equity he believes that a canteen allocation policy needs to be developed and he is seeking feedback from all Committee members with respect to this. Mr James advised that within the Sportsground User Manual, the hirer of the sportsground has allocation of the canteen. Weekend allocation of grounds are made to association's who then determine who is the 'home' team and has access to the canteen at the ground. Feedback from the Committee members was that the Sportsground User Manual needs to be updated to take into account the casual hirer. Ms Domazet confirmed that Council staff will revise the document to incorporate the use of a casual hirer and bring the updated document	Council staff to review and expand the Terms and Conditions for hiring Council sporting fields to include additional requirements for canteen and change room use. Sportsground User Manual Document to be updated and provided to the Committee for review prior to implementation.	Simon James Next Committee Mtg
	back to the Committee. The Committee agreed for Council staff to review and expand the Terms and Conditions for hirers of Council sporting fields to include additional requirements for canteen and change room use.		



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4.	Skateboarding Facilities		
	Councillor Maggio advised that there is a need for a skateboard park in the City of Ryde.	Prior to the next meeting Mr James to distribute the latest consultant report together with the 2010 feasibility study to all Committee members.	Simon James Next Committee Mtg
	Mr James advised that Council initially looked at a number of locations (parks within the City of Ryde) and also a partnership with Macquarie University.	Consideration to be given to initiating a working party to explore options on a skateboard facility in the City of Ryde.	Next committee mig
	Ms Domazet confirmed that the location of the facility is only feasible if it ticks all the boxes including easy access via public transport, a highly visible area that is close to a shopping	Council staff to explore the option of a facility in Ryde Park (near the café and outdoor volleyball court)	
	centre. The most suitable location identified by staff was Eastwood Park.	That this matter be deferred to the next meeting so that further documentation/information could be presented (as outlined above).	
	The Committee agreed to defer this matter to the next meeting and also recommended the following actions:-		
	 Consider initiating a working party to explore options on a skateboard facility in the City of Ryde. Council staff to explore the option of Ryde Park (near to the café and outdoor volleyball court) and present further documentation/information at the next meeting. Mr James to distribute the latest report together with the 2010 feasibility study to all Committee members. 		
5.	Capital Works Priorities 2015/16		
	A document outlining the proposed projects for the 2015/16 was previously distributed to all members and included the following projects:-	Noted.	
	Sports Field Upgrade and Renewal		
	 Bremner – regrade, level, new irrigation system and returf. Meadowbank #7 and #8 Drainage. Eastwood Upper – return playing field area. 		
	 Peel Park – upgrade irrigation system. Christie Park #2 – upgrade irrigation system. 		
	 Fitness Equipment – Anderson Park. Magdala Park – replace existing fencing. 		
	 North Ryde Park – returf playing field area. Waterloo Park – upgrade of outdoor basketball court and extension of baseball 		
	fencing. 10. General Equipment Renewal – replacement of general sporting infrastructure, goals, cricket pitches etc.		
	11. Marsfield Park – improve drainage.		



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5. (cont)	 Sportsground Amenities Upgrades Renewal Marsfield Park. Meadowbank Park (LH Waud). Tyagarah Park. Grandstand Repainting. 	Noted.	
	Floodlighting	Noted.	
	 Eastwood Upper – upgrade of existing lighting. ELS Hall Field #1 – upgrade of floodlighting to service the synthetic turf field. 		
	Mr James asked Committee members for their feedback regarding the proposed projects and the following was raised:-	Condition Assessment Form to be distributed to Committee members.	Simon James
	Raising the level of #7, #8 and #4 at Meadowbank		
	Mr James advised that there are no immediate plans to raise the level of numbers 7, 8 and 4 at Meadowbank Park and in fact this has not been identified as a project for the next four years. The drainage works will therefore proceed as planned.	Noted.	
	Poor Condition of #5 and #6 at Meadowbank		
	The issue of the condition of the playing fields # 5 and #6 at Meadowbank Park being almost unplayable was raised.	Operational matters of this nature to be raised with Council staff directly.	
	Mr James advised that this is not listed as a project for next year, however, Council staff can undertake an assessment at the end of the year and then look at prioritising of a schedule for the works. Mr James confirmed that a Council officer can meet the sport group representative on site to review the grounds and assess the situation. Review of Maintenance and Practices of Sporting Facilities Mr James further advised that Council has engaged a consultant to undertake a review of the maintenance and practices of the sporting facilities. The review will include a survey which will be distributed and all groups who are all encouraged to complete the survey so that the consultant can	Noted – Upon receipt of the survey, all groups are encouraged to complete the survey and provide their feedback.	
	come back with a report including recommendations and a proposal for capital works.		



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6.	Proposed Fees and Charges 2015/16 Mr James advised that Council is reviewing its fees and charges and is proposing to increase user fees for the sports fields by 7%.	Noted.	
	For winter season users, this increase will come into effect in April 2016, however for cricket and sporting groups who use floodlighting etc. this would come into effect this year from 1 July 2015.		
	Mr James outlined that this increase, however, does not get the users to the required level of 25% and that it would probably take at least another year to reach the required level of 25%.		
7.	Review of Committee's Terms of Reference		
	The Committee reviewed the Terms of Reference and Ms Domazet advised that as a result of a recent Council Resolution, the Terms of Reference need to be altered to reflect that membership can include more than one representative from a particular sporting club.	The Terms of Reference be altered to include an additional dot point under Part 3. Membership, Chairperson and Voting to read as follows:- • Or by Council resolution.	Tatjana Domazet
	The Committee agreed to alter the Terms of Reference under Part 3. Membership, Chairperson and Voting to include an additional dot point to read as follows:-		
	Or by Council resolution.		
8.	General Business		
	Community Sports Grants Program		
	Mr James confirmed that he would send information regarding the Community Sports Grant Funding Program out to all members and also invited the Committee members to check the City of Ryde website to see if any group was eligible to apply for grant funding under this category.	Mr James to send out information regarding the Community Sports Grants Program to all Committee members.	Simon James
	Pre-season Training and Trials		
	Mr James reminded all Committee members that for winter sports, no boots are to be worn either during pre-season training or trials. This is to assist Council in maintaining the grounds for the winter competition.	Noted.	

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8. (cont)	Synthetic Sports Surfaces Action Plan Councillor Maggio advised Committee Members that a Synthetic Sports Surfaces Action Plan was approved by Council last Tuesday evening, 10 February 2015.	Noted.	
	State Championships and District Carnival The State Championships at being held at Meadowbank on 27, 28 and 29 June 2015 and the District Carnival is being held on 26 April 2015. Mr James advised that Council has been working with ERNA and all of the associations with respect to the State Championships.	Noted.	
	ELS 1 – Synthetic Turf Mr James advised that the Council's project team are undertaking a detailed site analysis and once that information is compiled they will put together the tender documentation to go out to market which should be in the next month or so.	Noted.	
	Fit for the Future Councillor Perram advised Committee members that this Council may cease to exist as of the election this year as the Government is proposing to amalgamate Councils. Ryde is proposed to be split into two and what this will mean is that some grounds currently within the City of Ryde will become part of Parramatta and the rest will become part of Northern Sydney Councils. Councillor Perram confirmed that Council has indicated that the City of Ryde is against amalgamations and tomorrow night (Tuesday, 17 February 2015), an Extraordinary Council Meeting will be held to discuss the City of Ryde's submission which is due by 30 June 2015, with the Government to make a decision by October	Noted.	
9.	Next Meeting The next meeting is scheduled for 11 May 2015.	Noted.	