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Venue:	Room 3, Level 5, Civic Centre, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde	
Date:	Monday, 9 th November 2015	
Time:	6.00pm	Started at: 6.00pm Closed at: 7.20pm
Chair:	Deputy Mayor, Councillor Roy Maggio	
Meeting Support (MS):	Linda Smith	
Staff Convenor:	Simon James, Section Manager – Sport and Recreation	
Circulation and attachments	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  Sportsgrounds, Amenities, Floodlighti </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  Labosport Report Executive Summary.p </div> </div>	

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
✓		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

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	✓	Jason Cowland		Community Representative
	✓	Pat Gilchrist		

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
Richie Griffiths	Senior Coordinator – Sportsgrounds, Parks and Gardens	City of Ryde
Linda Smith	EA to the Mayor and Councillors	City of Ryde
Kelvin Gray		Northern District Cricket Association
Glenn Hillier		North Ryde Junior Rugby League Club

Details	Action	Responsibility and Date
1. Present: As detailed above. Apologies: As detailed above Cllr Maggio opened the meeting with an apology to Simon James for distributing emails with inappropriate comments to members of sporting groups.	Noted. Noted. The apology was accepted.	
2. Review of Minutes from last Meeting – 10th August 2015 The Minutes from the meeting held on 10 th August 2015 were confirmed and endorsed.	Noted.	

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<p>3. City of Ryde Sport and Recreation Strategy and synthetic turf action plan update</p> <p>An update on the above strategy was provided by David Mason of Strategic Leisure – consultants</p> <p>The key objectives of the strategy are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to set out a prioritised ten year plan for sport and recreation facilities (costed for 4 years). - Look at best practice - Look at the model for capital contributions from sporting groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The study began at the end of July 2015. • An examination of background documents, trends, population profile, interviews with stakeholders and community has taken place • Now analysing the findings and looking at funding/partnership options. • It was noted a great deal of planning has already been undertaken by Council • In 2013, a community research study looked at attitudes towards Council facilities • Parks and playgrounds were ranked 7/39 as contributing to peoples overall satisfaction with Council • 54% of residents were satisfied with the level of services provided. • With the current study consultation has been undertaken with the community via surveys, focus groups, surveys in shools, COR Staff, state sport organisations, at venues such as YMCA, RALC, Macquarie Uni etc. • The 2015 population of Ryde is 113,422. • By 2026 the population is expected to be 129,538, an increase of over 16,000. • Consultation has also occurred with the surrounding 6 NSROC Councils. • A key issues is the change in population demographics – resulting in non traditional needs. • Bowls and tennis are in decline – Tai Chi increasing • Fields currently have a max capacity of 30 hours use per week • Many will soon exceed this • Synthetic fields would relieve some pressure on the wear of natural turf fields • Planning for indoor facilities should be undertaken • Partnerships with schools to use their fields should be examined • Discussions with NSROC Councils has identified that some areas are developing their golf courses to fund sport and rec improvements • The majority of allocations of fields are to associations not clubs 	<p>The information was noted.</p> <p>Late surveys to be submitted to Simon who will forward them to the consultant.</p>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allocations are seasonal • Some groups are given a long term lease for capital input • Clubs and associations carry out minor maintenance but most work is undertaken by Council • Capital contributions are permitted but do not entitle groups to formal tenure • Leases for buildings are usually 5 year duration • Synthetic fields are being installed in other areas • Kiosks, cafes and personal trainers are permitted in other areas • Some charge fees to users such as personal trainers. • NSROC is examining introducing standard fees in NSROC Councils <p>The consultants are examining Christie Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looking at the use of synthetic surfaces and modelling demand due to population growth • Looking at changes to field lighting and possible use of synthetic surfaces • Consultants are looking at where improvements can be made to take the pressure off existing fields and uses • A workshop with Councillors will be held on 1st December 2015 • It was noted that lots of informal use of fields occurs • The investigation regarding hours of usage to date has focussed on winter sports due to the impact they have on ground condition • Following workshop a draft report will be prepared • The report will go to user groups for feedback then to the community for feedback • A chart showing hours of usage of fields was displayed • Some underutilised fields need financial input from users to make them viable • The use of synthetic surfaces will displace some clubs and sports and they need to be included in discussions about this. • Traffic, parking, opportunities for partnerships will all come into play re synthetic surface debate and displacement of users • Residents may have issues with these proposals • No new tracts of land are available to meet long term needs so lighting and synthetic fields might be needed to meet demand • Late surveys will be accepted by the consultant 		

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<p>4. Proposed Capital Works 2016/17</p> <p>A list of proposed works is attached to these minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The amount provided for project management fees was queried. • Simon advised this is an internal charge and forms part of the cost of delivering projects • ERNA noted that funding of new courts was not mentioned. • Simon advised that item 6 relates to netball. • It was noted that court 24 is currently unplayable. • ERNA would be pleased to see this court decommissioned and provide funds to assist with the construction of a new court in a new location • Simon advised an investigation is to be undertaken of all court areas prior to any new works being commenced. • Repairs only will be made to Court 24 • It may be necessary to look at changing the hours of play to accommodate more use of the courts. • RE Meadowbank playing fields, it was noted that the lights on fields 7 and 8 need new globes • Most of the Medowbank fields have lighting that does not meet the relevant Australian standard 	<p>Comments regarding the proposed capital works to be submitted to Simon via email.</p> <p>A meeting to be held between ERNA, Group Manager and Simon James re netball courts at Meadowbank</p>	
<p>5. Sport Field Assessment Report</p> <p>The report by Labosport was considered and is attached to these minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simon James, Richie Griffiths and his team are working to implement the recommendations of the above report where appropriate • Some works are already underway • The report only looks at a sample of the fields under Council’s control. • Monitoring will continue over the summer season • The demands on some grounds are already well above the carrying capacity of those grounds • Action is needed to improve the usage practices as well as the maintenance practices • Changing the time of use doesn’t change the level of use. • Sportsfield lighting improvements may assist in spreading the wear across the field 	<p>The information was noted.</p>	

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<p>6. Fees and charges – Sportsgrounds and lighting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The fees and charges imposed by Council for training are comparable with other NSROC Councils • The fees and charges for weekend use is significantly less than proposed NSROC fees • The current floodlighting fees in Ryde Council are calculated in a complicated manner, however overall are significantly less than proposed NSROC fees • This detail will be taken into account when setting the 2016 fees and charges 	<p>The information was noted.</p>	
<p>7. Skate Working Party Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was noted that the possible consideration of Eastwood Oval as a skate facility site had been raised at Council as a result of an objection to this suggestion by Eastwood St Andrews Soccer. • It was noted that consideration of a number of sites is underway by the working party. • The right of youth to take part in informal sport such as skateboarding was raised • It was noted that not everyone can afford to take part in organised sport and that the rights of all users need to be considered. • A workshop will be held with Councillors next year to consider sites recommended by the working party. 	<p>The information was noted</p>	
<p>8. Meeting dates for 2016</p> <p>Simon will forward a list of proposed dates for meetings in 2016.</p>	<p>Advice to be provided to Simon if proposed dates are not suitable</p>	
<p>9. General Business</p> <p>West Ryde Rovers – have purchased a defibrillator which will be installed in January 2016.</p> <p>Upcoming Events</p> <p>Santa in Ryde Park for Community Day on 6th December 2015</p> <p>Australia Day event will be held at North Ryde Common</p> <p>Clr Maggio wished all committee members a Merry Christmas.</p>	<p>Clr Maggio congratulated the West Ryde Rovers on this purchase</p>	