

## Purpose

The purpose of the *Recreation Facility Development and Maintenance Policy* is to guide the enhancement and maintenance of infrastructure at recreation facilities.

## Scope

This policy applies to the development and maintenance of council owned and managed recreation and sporting facilities as well as requests made to the council by not for profit sport or recreation organisations.

## Policy

Council has four key areas for facility development which includes capital renewal, capital upgrade, capital expansion and maintenance.

Facilities are to be sufficiently managed to ensure safety of user groups. To do so the council will implement:

- A responsive and documented booking process;
- An inspection process of all recreation facilities; and
- Clearly defined responsibilities within licence or lease agreements for ongoing users.

The council supports and encourages multi-use at all of its facilities to achieve the maximum usage of community assets.

Sporting and recreation facilities will have a basic range of infrastructure suitable for a sport to be played at the level of competition that user groups participate in.

The council will enhance the long term viability of sports facilities (and user groups) by ensuring that:

- User groups do not overcapitalise on developments;
- User groups are able to demonstrate a sound history of fiscal responsibility;
- Facilities are located and designed so as to strengthen the sport and the existing club membership base; and
- Facilities are developed and maintained in a safe state.

User groups/tenants have a role to play by contributing to the development and maintenance of the council recreation facilities.

Any identified facility development will:

- Be in line with the council plans and/or strategies;

- Facilitate inclusion, equity and access for all;
- Have an agreement in place that outlines specific council and user group contributions in the early stages of planning;
- Develop appropriate documentation and cost estimates for budgeting processes; and
- Investigate opportunities and options for external funding sources.

## Attachments

Nil.

## Related policies

*Recreation Facility Development and Maintenance Directive*  
*Social inclusion Policy*  
*Governing Community Facilities Policy*

## Related legislation

Nil.

## References

Nil.

## Review

Council may review this policy at any time but unless otherwise requested at least every four years from date of adoption. Minor amendments to the policy may be authorised by the CEO at any time where such changes do not alter the substance of the policy eg: typographical errors, a change to the name of a related policy, or a change to the name of legislation.

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