



RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

Committee Brief

The duties of the committee shall be:

- *prepare a draft Shire of Plantagenet Recreation Strategic Plan for the consideration of the Council;*
- *utilise the July 2008 Plantagenet Sport and Recreation Needs Assessment and any other report considered pertinent by the Committee; and*
- *liaise as necessary with community groups Recreation Centre Advisory Group, the Department of Sport and Recreation and other bodies.*

A meeting of the Recreation Advisory Committee
held in the Council Committee Room, Lowood Road, Mount Barker
at 4.00pm on Friday 4 June 2010

Rob Stewart
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Committee Members:

Cr K Clements, Cr A Budrikis, Cr S Etherington JP, Cr J Moir, Cr S Grylls (Deputy) – 313/09, 232/08)

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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

4.00pm The meeting was declared open.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIESPresent

Members:

Cr Ken Clements - Chair

Cr Jeff Moir

Cr Andrus Budrikis

Cr Sue Etherington

Officers:

Mr Rob Stewart

Mrs Nicole Selesnew

Special Guest:

Mr David Williamson

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Cr Jeff Moir, seconded Cr Andrus Budrikis:

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Recreation Advisory Committee held on 11 May 2010, be accepted.

CARRIED (4/0)

Action: A letter is to be sent to the Kendenup Community Recreation Centre Committee regarding the Recreation Advisory Committee's recommendation to the Council, as detailed in the Minutes from 11 May 2010 – Recreation Developments in Kendenup.

The letter to also clarify the key outcomes required from the Kendenup Community Recreation Centre Committee Feasibility Study.

4 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Part 5 Division 6 Local Government Act 1995

Cr Andrus Budrikis declared a Code of Conduct – Perceived Interest — Recreation Developments – Kendenup Rail Precinct Alternatives, Agenda Item 5.

5 RECREATION DEVELOPMENTS – KENDENUP RAIL PRECINCT ALTERNATIVES

Code of Conduct Disclosures (S5.103 LGA/Reg 34C Local Government Administration Regulations). A perceived interest (Clause 2.3 Code of Conduct) was made by Cr Andrus Budrikis.

Nature and Extent of Interest: Owner of land nearby but not adjacent to the subject site.

Cr Andrus Budrikis advised that his Interest was perceived only and would be remaining in the meeting to participate, debate and to vote.

Background

The Council adopted a Recreation Precinct Development Plan for the Kendenup townsite on 13 October 2010 including passive recreation developments along the western portion of the rail corridor.

A licence will be required from WestNet Rail Pty Ltd in order to develop the rail corridor land.

The Council considered signing a licence for the Rail Corridor Land adjacent to Hassell Street, for community use purposes including a skate park, at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 25 May 2010.

The motion to sign the licence was lost and the matter was referred to the Recreation Advisory Committee.

Some of the reasons for reconsidering the skate park site were:

- Safety concerns associated with the proximity to the railway line;
- The duplication of infrastructure proposed for the long term vision along the rail precinct, for example the need for additional public toilets, picnic and bbq areas, shelter areas and playground equipment; and
- The ongoing planning regarding a community and recreation centre in the Agricultural Grounds would create a focus for recreation facilities at the site.

To assist identify a different skate park site, a map highlighting public toilets and footpaths within Kendenup is attached.

Potential Sites:

An area adjacent to the Glen Hawker Bulldozer exhibit was discussed at length. The site is located in the rail corridor adjacent to Hassell Avenue, but in close proximity to public toilets, a gazebo, bbq facility and playground site (all located across the road at the Town Hall).

Fencing would still be required but should be extended around the Bulldozer exhibit and past the potential skate park area to provide maximum safety protection.

The area is currently bitumised and used as a parking space.

A map showing the proposed site is attached.

Moved Cr Sue Etherington, seconded Cr Andrus Budrikis:

That it be a recommendation to the Council:

That:

1. **With regard to the development of a skate park in Kendenup, the preferred site is on railway reserve land immediately north and adjacent to the Hawker Bulldozer and the Chief Executive Officer be requested to immediately discuss this site with the Public Transport Authority, with a view to licensing or leasing of the land.**
2. **The Chief Executive Officer be further requested to advise the Kendenup community of the above decision noting that the site is close to Council controlled toilets, recreation facilities, and the Kendenup Town Hall and will therefore attract passive supervision.**
3. **Further, this site, if developed will enhance safety for other nearby facilities.'**

CARRIED (3/1)

6 COMMUNITY SPORT AND RECREATION FACILITIES FUND – FUNDING PRIORITIES FOR SOUNNESS PARK

Work is progressing on the drainage and reticulation improvement plans for Sounness Park, Mount Barker, of which there is \$100,000 of Royalties for Regions funding set aside in the 2009/2010 budget.

The priority for new developments at Sounness Park, determined at the Committee meeting held on 21 December 2009, was a new cricket / soccer and hockey pitch followed by the Sounness Park club rooms / change rooms.

Negotiations have begun with representatives from the Mount Barker Football Club regarding the sale of a piece of land adjacent to Sounness Park, required for the recreation developments. A sale price has not been proposed as yet.

If a price cannot be negotiated to purchase the land adjacent to Sounness Park, the recreation plans will need to be reviewed. The priorities for development will also change and the club rooms / change room development may be the first to progress.

If the sale does progress, the Shire will be looking to submit a funding application to the Community Sport and Recreation Facilities Fund to start the oval developments.

Action:

Rob Stewart to progress negotiations with the Mount Barker Football Club for the purchase of land adjacent to Sounness Park, Mount Barker.

Nicole Selesnew to prepare a timeline and corresponding budget for the proposed recreation developments at Sounness Oval, from 2010/2011 to 2013/2014.

Attachments:

(1) – Map of the Kendenup public toilet sites and footpath facilities.

(2) – Proposed site for the Kendenup Skate Park.

7 NEXT MEETING

To be advised

8 MEETING CLOSURE

5.45pm

CONFIRMED: CHAIRPERSON _____ **DATE:** ____ / ____ / ____