

# CITY OF ARMADALE

## MINUTES

OF COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
ADMINISTRATION CENTRE, 7 ORCHARD AVENUE, ARMADALE ON TUESDAY, 4  
OCTOBER 2011 AT 5.30 PM

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**PRESENT:** Cr C J MacDonald (Chair)  
Cr G Best  
Cr P J Hart  
Cr Zelones JP (Deputy for Cr Butterfield)  
Cr W. Mauger  
Cr M H. Norman  
Cr D M Shaw

**APOLOGIES:** Cr R Butterfield

**OBSERVERS:** Cr J H Munn JP CMC  
Cr R J Tizard

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr R S Tame – Chief Executive Officer from 5.45pm  
Mr N Kegie – Executive Manager Community Services  
Ms F Tajam - Media Communications Officer  
Ms V Carpenter – Minute Secretary

**PUBLIC:** Nil

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## **DISCLAIMER**

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## **DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

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Nil

## **QUESTION TIME**

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Nil

## **DEPUTATION**

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Nil

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **RESOLVED**

**Minutes of the Community Services Committee Meeting held on 7 September 2011 be confirmed.**

**Moved Cr Hart  
MOTION CARRIED (7/0)**

## **ITEMS REFERRED FROM INFORMATION BULLETIN – ISSUES NO. 16/2011**

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The following matters were included for information in the Community Services section –

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*Committee noted the information and no further items were raised for discussion and/or further report purposes.*

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***DISABILITY ACCESS AND INCLUSION PLAN – 2011-2016***

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**WARD** ALL  
**FILE REF:** CD/D/7  
**DATE** 28 September 2011  
**REF** WH/KC  
**RESPONSIBLE MANAGER** Executive Manager  
Community Services

**In Brief:**

Following the closure of the public comment period, during which no feedback was received, this report recommends the Disability and Inclusion Plan 2011-2016 be endorsed.

**Tabled Items**

Nil

**Officer Interest Declaration**

Nil

**Strategic Implications**

- 1.1 Services that support community growth and development
- 1.2 Optimum quality of life for all citizens
- 1.3 Access to a wide range of cultural, arts and learning opportunities
- 1.4 Accessible health and other support services meet the needs of our community
- 1.5 Sport, recreation and leisure opportunities that contribute to community health and wellbeing
- 1.6 A safe community
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- 2.5 Safe and efficient movement of goods, services and people
- 2.6 Council buildings and facilities that meet community needs
- 4.3 An informed and engaged community
- 4.7 Innovate and accessible customer services and information systems

**Legislation Implications**

WA Disability Services Act (1993) amended 2004  
Commonwealth Disability Discrimination Act (1992)  
Equality Opportunity Amendment Act Western Australia (1984)

**Council Policy/Local Law Implications**

Nil

**Budget/Financial Implications**

The Disability Access and Inclusion Plan, as proposed in this report, is designed to direct current resources to priority areas rather than to generate new unfunded initiatives. Any projects that may be brought forward over and above those outlined in the proposed Plan and that require additional resources would be considered as part of the City's normal budgeting process.

**Consultation/Research**

- Department Managers
- Disability Advisory Team

- Disability Services Commission of WA *Count Me In – Disability Future Directions Strategy*;
- *Disability Services Commission of WA, Local Area Coordinators*
- Four week public comment period – July to August 2011

## BACKGROUND

At the ordinary meeting of Council on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2011 Council endorsed the draft Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2011 – 2016 (C16/7/11) and resolved to seek public comment on the draft plan for a period of four weeks. (**Refer to Separate Attachment “1”**)

To maximise the potential for feedback from the community, community groups, the disability sector and peak disability organisations, the City advertised the public comment period in the following ways:

- On the City’s website under the ‘Out for Comment’ section
- An advertisement in the Examiner
- Letters to 72 community organisations listed in the City’s community directory, local disability groups, and disability sector service providers. Organisations were requested to encourage feedback from their clients.
- Copies were distributed to the libraries.

The draft plan was also obtainable by contacting the Community Development Officer for Seniors, Access and Inclusion.

Submissions on the draft strategy could have been lodged in the following ways, by:

- Post to the City of Armadale or;
- Email to [whill@armadale.wa.gov.au](mailto:whill@armadale.wa.gov.au) .

The closing date for submissions was 24<sup>th</sup> August 2011, by which time no submissions were received.

## DETAILS OF PROPOSAL

This report presents the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2011 – 2016 for Council endorsement following a one month public comment period. No submissions were received during the out for comment period. However, the Disability Services Commission provided favourable feedback on the draft Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2011 – 2016 prior to Council endorsement of the public comment.

## COMMENT

The City of Armadale’s Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2011 – 2016 fulfils a legislative requirement to outline the City’s approach to meeting the needs, interests and aspirations of people with disability.

It provides a framework to the City’s approach by clearly identifying the guiding principles and actions required to achieve results within the key outcome areas. It highlights strategies and outcomes to guide the City of Armadale and the community in achieving positive change over the next five years.

## OPTIONS

The following options are presented for consideration:

1. Endorse the proposed City of Armadale Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2011-2016 for submission to the Disability Services Commission.
2. Amend the Plan and endorse an alternative version.
3. Not endorse the Plan.

Option 1 is recommended.

### Conclusion

The concept of the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan is widely promoted at a State level as the way forward in meeting the needs, interests and aspirations of people with disability.

The City seeks to facilitate the continuing inclusion of people with disability in the broad spectrum of community life and to provide opportunities for people with disability to remain valuable members of their community. The Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2011 – 2016 will guide the City in creating an accessible and inclusive community for all.

### **C27/10/11 RECOMMEND**

**That Council endorse the City of Armadale Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2011 – 2016 for submission to the Disability Services Commission.**

**Moved Cr Zelones  
CARRIED (7/0)**

**DEPARTMENT OF SPORT AND RECREATION CSRFF GRANT APPLICATIONS**

**WARD** Lake  
**FILE REF:** GS/RC/1  
**DATE** 16 September 2011  
**REF** KK/KC  
**RESPONSIBLE MANAGER** Executive Manager  
Community Services

**In Brief:**

This report recommends that Council:

1. Support the CSRFF grant application for the Piara Waters (North) Community & Sporting Facility (Pavilion) as the priority project for the 2012-13 funding round.
2. Write to Local Members of Parliament to seek their support for the City's CSRFF grant application for the 2012-13 funding round.

**Tabled Items**

Nil

**Officer Interest Declaration**

Nil

**Strategic Implications**

- Deliver a range of services to meet community needs.
- Maintain and improve the physical infrastructure to meet the needs of the local community
- Ensure that all activities have a strong focus on sustainability

**Legislation Implications**

Should funding for the project be approved, the works would need to be carried out in accordance with the Building Code of Australia and any other relevant legislation and/or Australian Standard.

**Council Policy/Local Law Implications**

RECN/1 Lighting on Sporting Reserves  
RECN/3 Clubs/Community Group Applications for Council support of capital works projects  
ENG 13 Asset management Vision  
Town Planning Scheme No. 4 – Developer Contribution Scheme

**Budget/Financial Implications**

The application nominates a financial contribution from Council as part of the funding arrangements. The nominated Council contributions have been included in the City's Plan for the Future. In addition, annual allocations for asset management (\$120,000) and renewal (\$136,500) costs have been included in the Plan for the Future.

**Consultation**

- Manex
- Asset Steering Committee
- Community, Development and Technical Services Staff
- Department of Sport and Recreation
- Stockland

- Forrestdale Sporting Association
- Forrestdale Steering Committee

## BACKGROUND

Each year the Department of Sport and Recreation (DSR) invites funding applications for capital works projects under the Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF).

The types of projects eligible for funding include:

1. Modifications and additions to existing facilities to increase opportunities for participation
2. Upgrading of existing facilities to better suit current and future needs
3. Construction of new sport and recreation facilities.

Funding is generally available for up to one third of the cost of eligible projects (maximum amount \$4 million), with the remaining funds to be provided by the Local Government and/or the club or community group.

The fund is open to not-for-profit sporting groups and Local Governments. There were no sporting group applications received this year (closing date 30 September 2011) and the report proposes the City submit one application for the construction of the Piara Waters (North) Community & Sporting Facility (pavilion and surrounds) in the forthcoming funding round. The report identifies the proposed funding arrangement for the project which has been included in the Council's Plan for the Future and the extent of any ongoing maintenance commitment required from council.

As in past years, it is Council's responsibility to determine the level of funding (if any) that Council is prepared to make towards the project in 2012/13 and/or subsequent years.

## DETAILS OF PROPOSAL

Details of the grant application is as follows:

### *1. Piara Waters (North) Community Sporting Facility Stage 2. – Construct new pavilion and surrounds.*

Applicant	City of Armadale
Grant Requested	\$ 500,000
Developer Contributions	\$2,097,000
Council Contribution (loan funds)	\$ 903,000
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	<b>\$3,500,000</b>

### Project Description

Construct new Pavilion at Piara Waters to cater for the rapidly developing community of Piara Waters and Harrisdale.

### Justification

The development of a new pavilion to work in collaboration with the playing fields at Piara Waters is one of the City's main strategic priorities for the next 3-5 years and forms part of the Plan for the Future, the 15 Year Financial Plan and the recently endorsed Community Infrastructure Plan (CS77/8/10).

A report to the September 2009 Community Services Committee Meeting presented the initial Draft of the site plan for the proposed new oval and pavilion and also recommended that Council defer commencement of the new facilities until 2011-12.

A further report to the February 2010 Community Services Committee presented the revised draft plans for the proposed new facilities and Council resolved (C3/2/10) to receive the plan and consult further with key stakeholders regarding both design and funding arrangements.

Residential development at Piara Waters and Harrisdale is proceeding at a rapid rate, with a projected 'build out' population of 25,000 people. The current population is estimated to be 6,000 people. As identified in the Active Sporting Reserves Needs Assessment Study, the City will ultimately require four to five senior sized sporting fields and associated facilities in Piara Waters and Harrisdale when the area reaches the "build out" population. The proposed new pavilion at Piara Waters is the first of a number of facilities required over the coming 10-15 years to meet the sporting and recreational need of the local community.

### Strategic Plan / Plan for the Future

The City's funding for this project is by the way of loan funds and is currently allocated in the years 2010-11 and 2011-12 of the City's Plan for the Future.

### Ongoing Cost to Council

Annual allocations of \$120,000 for asset management and \$136,500 for renewal costs for the proposed new facility have been included in the City's Plan for the Future.

### Recommended Priority Rating

This project is an important strategic priority for the City and as the only project considered for the 2012-13 CSRFF funding round, therefore, it is recommended that that project be allocated the No1. priority rating.

## **COMMENT**

### Analysis

Research undertaken as part of the Active Sporting Reserves Needs Assessment Study (2008) and development of the Community Infrastructure Plan (2010) supports the need for the proposed new pavilion at Piara Waters. The Pavilion will be centrally located on a major transport route and is well placed to meet the long term needs of Piara Waters and Harrisdale residents.

Construction of the facility has been staged to increase the City’s chances of receiving DSR funding for this project, with \$500,000 in funding for stage one already secured through the 2011-12 CSRFF grant round. Details of both stages of the project are as follows;

Stage 1 – 2011-12 (the subject of the previous grant)

- Construct new oval
- Oval floodlighting
- Cricket nets
- Pathways
- Drainage Swales
- Landscaping

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Stage 1 2011-12</b>
City of Armadale	368,000
Developer Contributions	2,542,000
Dept of Sport & Recreation	500,000
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3,410,000</b>

Stage 2 – 2012/13 (the subject of this CSRFF submission)

- Construct new pavilion
- Car park
- Playground

It is anticipated that stage one works will commence in December 2011 and be completed by June 2012. Based on the City’s recent experience with the redevelopment of Frye Park, construction of the whole facility is likely to take approximately 18 months to complete. That being the case and subject to the grant application being successful, construction of the pavilion would run over two financial years 2012-13 and 2013-14.

In terms of the financial arrangements for the pavilion, the most recent cost estimate is **\$3.5 million** (excluding GST). The following funding model is proposed for stage two of the project:

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Stage 2 2012-13</b>
City of Armadale	903,000
Developer Contributions	2,097,000
Dept of Sport & Recreation	500,000
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3,500,000</b>

The following comments are made in relation to the proposed financial arrangements for the project:

- While the CSRFF allows for grants of up to one third the total construction cost it is noted that the total pool of funds for the entire state is only \$20Million per year. The City has been successful for a number of years in drawing on funds though the CSRFF by taking a strategic approach over a range of projects (eg Frye Park upgrade, Aquatic

Centre Upgrade, Equestrian Facilities Upgrade). This request for \$500,000 which complements the \$500,000 received for stage one is seen as realistic and the most likely to have a good chance of success..

- In the event that the City is not successful in attracting grant funds for the project, Council will need to review its position and determine whether it was able to fund the shortfall itself or defer the project and reapply in the 2013/14 round.
- The nominated Council contributions are by way of loan funds and have been included in the City's Plan for the Future. The exact amount of the loans will be determined by the agreed level of contribution from the principal developer and the final cost of the project.

### Options

Council has the option of supporting the application or reversing its earlier decision (C3/2/10) and not support the project if it does not see the benefits of the proposal.

### **CONCLUSION**

The development of the Piara Waters facility is one of a number of major community infrastructure projects in the City's growth areas. It will have the capacity to meet the needs of a diverse range of community groups as well as sporting organisations and will be a significant facility for the emerging community in the North Forrestdale area.

### **C28/10/11 RECOMMEND**

#### **That Council:**

- 1. Support the CSRFF grant application for Piara Waters (North) Community Sporting Facility – Stage 2; and**
- 2. Write to Local Members of Parliament to seek their support for the City's CSRFF grant application to be submitted in the 2012-13 funding round.**

**Moved Cr Mauger  
CARRIED (7/0)**

**EQUESTRIAN FACILITIES - UPDATE**

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**WARD** ALL  
**FILE REF:** CD/D/7  
**DATE** 20 September 2011  
**REF** NK  
**RESPONSIBLE MANAGER** Executive Manager  
Community Services

**In Brief:**

This item provides an update on the upgrades to Palomino Park and Fletcher Park and also recommends that \$13,500 be provided to the Kelmscott Pony Club from the existing project allocation to assist with their relocation to the grounds of the Peel Pony Club.

**Tabled Items**

Nil

**Officer Interest Declaration**

Nil

**Strategic Implications**

- 1.1 Services that support community growth and development
- 1.5 Sport, recreation and leisure opportunities that contribute to community health and wellbeing
- 2.7 Assets and infrastructure managed over the long term to meet current and future needs

**Legislation Implications**

Nil

**Council Policy/Local Law Implications**

Nil

**Budget/Financial Implications**

Nil

**Consultation/Research**

- Department of Sport and Recreation
- Ongoing Consultation with Equestrian Clubs
- Relevant City of Armadale Departments

**BACKGROUND**

The upgrades to Palomino Park and Fletcher Park, along with associated consultation with the seven equestrian clubs that operate from City of Armadale facilities have been the subject of a number of previous reports to council through the Community Services Committee. (C23/6/10, C26/9/10, C30/10/10)

In summary; the City has three sites from which seven equestrian clubs operate. These are Pries Park in Kelmscott, Palomino Park in Champion Lakes and Fletcher Park in Wungong. Two of the clubs, the Kelmscott Pony Club and Kelmscott Adult Riders Club have been

operating from Pries Park for a number of years. With the decision to develop Pries Park came the need to assist these two clubs to relocate.

The City took the opportunity to use this issue as the catalyst for developing a closer understanding of the needs of the seven equestrian clubs and how the two remaining grounds could be optimised to cater for all seven clubs. To this point the condition of the grounds could best be described as basic with relatively minor ongoing maintenance carried out. Because of the condition of the grounds the clubs have not been able to operate year round; however they have also not been required to pay fees as with the majority of other sporting clubs that use City facilities.

Consultation with the clubs has been extensive, resulting in a prioritised list of works for upgrades to Fletcher Park and Palomino Park which would enable the grounds to be used year round and to allow them to accommodate additional riders. As a result of the consultation it was determined that the Kelmscott Adult Riders Club would relocate to Palomino Park and Kelmscott Pony Club would relocate to Fletcher Park.

The Department of Sport and Recreation has supported this process with a \$219,000 grant towards a total cost covering upgrades to the two grounds of \$690,000. As part of the process the management arrangements for the grounds including how the clubs would contribute financially to the ongoing operating costs of the grounds are currently being considered.

It was originally intended that the works at Palomino Park, including a major upgrade to the main riding surface be completed by February 2012, however it is now clear that a longer period is required to allow the new grassed surface to become established before riding can recommence. It is anticipated that the clubs will now be able to recommence at Palomino Park in May 2012. While it was originally intended that the Kelmscott Clubs cease operating from Pries Park by December 2011 it is possible that Pries Park can be used until May 2012 as an option for some of the activities of the Palomino Park Clubs while that ground is out of use.

Works at Fletcher Park are not so intrusive and should not result in any substantial inconvenience to the operations of the resident clubs.

While the City has provided the Kelmscott Clubs with an option to relocate within the City's boundaries, the Kelmscott Pony Club has recently written to the City advising that it has been in discussion with the Peel Pony Club located at Oldbury in the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale and has determined for a number of reasons that the best interests of the club would be served if it relocated to the Peel grounds. (**Refer to attachment "2" circulated separately**)

To assist with the relocation the Kelmscott Pony Club has also requested that an amount of \$13,500 which has been set aside as part of the Fletcher Park upgrade for the purpose of erecting a storage shed for the sole use of the club be provided as a cash contribution to the Club for the purpose of erecting a new storage shed at the Peel grounds.

The Kelmscott Adult Riders Club which operates quite independently to the Kelmscott Pony Club will relocate as originally intended to Palomino Park.

Through discussion with City officers and with the clubs operating from Fletcher Park a number of measures have been suggested to ensure that current Kelmscott Pony Club members are catered for within the City's boundaries should they decide not to move with the club to the Peel grounds with the rest of the club. These are outlined in the next section of this report.

## **DETAILS OF PROPOSAL**

This report recommends that an amount of \$13,500 which is currently allocated to the upgrade project at Fletcher Park for the construction of a storage shed for the Kelmscott Pony Club be provided to the club to assist with their relocation to the grounds of the Peel Pony Club.

As part of the proposed relocation arrangement the Wallangarra Pony Club at Fletcher Park has provided an assurance that any individual members of the Kelmscott Pony Club who do not wish to move to Peel Pony Club be guaranteed membership so that they can continue their equestrian pursuits within the City if they wish.

The report also notes that Palomino Park will not be available in February 2012 as originally intended as a result of the time required for the new surface to become established and that the Clubs using that ground can have access to Pries Park until such time as Palomino Park is ready to be used.

Further, this report notes that consultation is currently ongoing regarding the management arrangements for the clubs located at Palomino Park and Fletcher Park and that a further report will be provided to council through the Community Services Committee with proposed arrangement for both grounds.

## **COMMENT**

Consultation with all seven clubs including the Kelmscott Clubs on this matter has been comprehensive over the past 12 months. Until recently the Kelmscott Pony Club along with the Wallangarra Pony and Adult Riders Clubs has, with facilitation by City Officers, been working constructively towards collocation at Fletcher Park.

The Kelmscott Pony Club has since identified an opportunity to move to the grounds of the Peel Pony Club and feel that this would provide more room for the club to grow and would not require the same formal level of coordination and ongoing expense.

Officers consider that the Kelmscott Pony Club's request for funds to construct a storage shed at its desired location is reasonable given that is a cost neutral exercise. i.e. The shed does not need to be constructed at Fletcher Park, and also because it has been at the City's instigation that a relocation is necessary in the initial instance, as a consequence of the decision to develop Pries Park.

A consideration in this matter is that funds were sought from the Department of Sport and Recreation for the upgrades on the basis that the number of grounds used by local clubs would be rationalised from three to two and that the capacity of the remaining grounds would increase thereby increasing the number of riders who would use them. With no increase in the number of clubs using Fletcher Park the upgrade could be seen to be unnecessary.

While there would be no increase in the number of clubs using the grounds there will be an opportunity for the existing clubs to increase their memberships because of the improvements to Fletcher Park. The Wallangarra Pony and Adult Riders Club has for some time capped its membership and maintains a significant waiting list because the grounds cannot cope with additional usage. With the upgrade the Wallangarra Clubs are looking forward to taking the

opportunity to increase their membership and activities. In essence this achieves the same result as introducing a new club to the facility.

The Department of Sport and Recreation has been consulted on this matter and has confirmed that it is comfortable with the proposed arrangement so long as the original intention of making the grounds accessible to more riders is realised.

In discussing this with the Wallangarra Clubs officers have clearly stated that the clubs would need to be pro active in increasing their membership and activities and this increase be documented for reporting to council and to the Department of Sport and Recreation.

It is noted that a requirement of the recently endorsed Fletcher Park Bushland Management Plan is that there will be no increase in usage of the cross country course that occupies the North East section of the reserve. Regardless of the number of members or activities on the reserve it is understood by the clubs that usage of the cross country course, which is just one element of the overall reserve, will not increase. While the cross country course is an important element of the facility there is no intention to look at an increase of activity in this area with the increase expected throughout the other equestrian elements of the reserve.

## **OPTIONS**

The following options are presented for consideration:

Option 1. Endorse the following recommendations

- 1. Provide a cash contribution of \$13,500 to the Kelmscott Pony Club for the purpose of erecting a storage shed.**
- 2. Receive an assurance from the Wallangarra Pony and Adult Riders Club that they will guarantee membership to any current Kelmscott Pony Club members not wishing to relocate out of the area.**
- 3. Note that the upgrade to Palomino Park will be complete in May 2012 rather than February 2012 as originally intended and that the clubs have access to Pries Park over that time as an option for scheduling events.**
- 4. Receive a further report through the Community Services Committee on management proposals for clubs using Fletcher Park and Palomino Park.**

Option 2. Amend the Plan and endorse an alternative version.

Option 1 is recommended.

### Conclusion

Equestrian activity is a strong recreational past time in the City of Armadale and contributes to the character of the area. Importantly it provides a very good opportunity for younger girls to participate in sporting activities as there is a significant female membership amongst both the Pony (junior riders) and Adult Riders Clubs.

Equestrian activity is under pressure in a number of outer metropolitan areas as the increased level of development results in competition for land. The development of Pries Park is an example of this competing land use issue.

The City's approach in looking strategically at how equestrian activity can continue in the area through upgrades to Fletcher Park and Palomino Park and through closer cooperation between the clubs and the City is seen as a way of ensuring there is a better shared understanding of how equestrian activity can continue in a high growth area.

While the Kelmscott Pony Club has for its own reasons, decided to relocate away from the area, considerable work was undertaken to ensure there was an option for them to relocate within the City. In addition, the works to be undertaken will lead to improved facilities for the remaining clubs including the opportunity for them to grow their memberships.

**C29/10/11 RECOMMEND**

**That Council:**

- 1. Provide a cash contribution of \$13,500 to the Kelmscott Pony Club for the purpose of erecting a storage shed;**
- 2. Receive an assurance from the Wallangarra Pony and Adult Riders Club that they will guarantee membership to any current Kelmscott Pony Club members not wishing to relocate out of the area;**
- 3. Note that the upgrade to Palomino Park will be complete in May 2012 rather than February 2012 as originally intended and that the clubs have access to Pries Park over that time as an option for scheduling events; and**
- 4. Receive a further report through the Community Services Committee on management proposals for clubs using Fletcher Park and Palomino Park.**

**Moved Cr Best  
CARRIED (7/0)**

***KIDSSPORT PROGRAM***

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WARD ALL  
FILE REF:  
DATE 16 September 2011  
REF FG  
RESPONSIBLE Manager Leisure  
MANAGER Services

**In Brief:**

This report relates to the Department of Sport and Recreation funded program “KidsSport”.

Recommends that Council accept the KidsSport program in the City of Armadale for 4 years.

**Tabled Items**

Nil

**Officer Interest Declaration**

Nil

**Strategic Implications**

1. Community Wellbeing
- 1.2 *Increase engagement and participation of youth in the community.*
- 1.5 *Sport, recreation and leisure opportunities that contribute to community health and wellbeing.*

**Legislation Implications**

Nil

**Council Policy/Local Law Implications**

Nil

**Budget/Financial Implications**

Nil. All funding is from the Department of Sport and Recreation, including \$15,000 to establish administrative processes and launch to sport clubs.

**Consultation/Review Process**

- Community Development
- Department of Sport and Recreation
- City of Gosnells

**BACKGROUND**

The Sport for All program is a new \$20 million (4 year) State government initiative, through the Department of Sport and Recreation, to increase the number of children joining community and recreation clubs.

The program is made up of four parts:

- KidsSport (\$10 million)
- Club Volunteer Project (\$4 million)
- Club talk (\$4 million)
- Nature Play WA (\$2 million)

KidsSport is the first program being launched in the South East corridor. The program is \$10 million (\$200 per child) over 4 years to subsidise club membership fee for a season of sport for children who can't afford it. The age of applicants is 5 to 18 years.

The program will work with local governments, community professionals and sport clubs to identify the children that should benefit from this offer. Vouchers representing the club fees will then go directly to the clubs.

## **DETAILS OF PROPOSAL**

The City of Armadale has been approached as a local government partnering with KidsSport, to administer the program within the City of Armadale. As part of establishing the program and operational procedures we will be funded \$15,000 for the initial 12 months, this will be used for any expenses including staffing costs. The program will be coordinated through the Club Development Officer, with the support of casual staff to establish links with clubs.

KidsSport eligibility criteria from DSR (**Refer to Attachment “3”**), vouchers are unlimited and the City needs to nominate how many will be required per season. It is anticipated that up to \$80,000 will be funded within each region every season.

Referral organisations are currently being finalised and will include links with key Community Services groups including Champion Centre, Armadale Youth Resources and PCYC.

KidsSport is a fantastic initiative by the state government; however officers from local governments have raised concerns about the sustainability of this program after the initial 4 year funding. DSR have commenced work looking into corporate sponsors of the program and approaching the Minister after the four year period. DSR and the Minister are also keen to see it continue after the initial 4 year period.

## **COMMENT**

### **Analysis**

The program has no expense for the City, however we do need to take into consideration the long term sustainability of funding through the Department of Sport and Recreation.

### **Options**

1. Accept the KidsSport program in the City of Armadale for 4 years.
2. Not endorse the KidsSport program in the City of Armadale.

**Conclusion**

It is recommended that Council accept the KidSport program in the City of Armadale.

**C30/10/11 RECOMMEND**

**That Council accept the KidsSport program in the City of Armadale for 4 years, until 2015.**

**Moved Cr Shaw  
CARRIED (7/0)**

***MEMORIAL PLAQUES FOR PARKS AND RESERVES – LOCATION FOR NEW  
PLAQUE SPRINGDALE PARK***

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WARD ALL  
FILE REF: PR/S/5  
DATE 20 September 2011  
REF PLW  
RESPONSIBLE MANAGER Executive Director  
Community Services

**In Brief:**

This item recommends that Council endorse the proposed location for the memorial plaque at Springdale Park.

**Tabled Items**

Nil

**Officer Interest Declaration**

Nil

**Strategic Implications**

*To Promote and support community arts, historical and cultural facilities and events.*

**Legislation Implications**

Nil

**Council Policy/Local Law Implications**

Nil

**Budget/Financial Implications**

Nil

**Consultation**

- Supervisor Parks Maintenance
- Manager Leisure Services

**BACKGROUND**

Council, at its meeting held on 27 June 2011, approved the wording for a memorial plaque to be placed in Springdale Park. A further report was presented to the Community Services Meeting of 9 August 2011, recommending a location for the plaque. In deliberating on the proposed location, it was agreed that further consideration should be given to this matter and Council resolved at its meeting of 22 August 2011.

*C20/8/11 2. That consideration of the Springdale Park proposed location for placement of memorial plaques is recommitted to a future Community Services Committee.*

The recommitted item stated: *At a site meeting at Springdale Park the Supervisor Parks Maintenance and Jarrah Ward Councillor, Cr Hart, agreed to a location that is close to the pavilion such that it will be seen by members of the public, and where the ground conditions will allow for the stand for the plaque to be installed.*

This was considered by Council at its meeting of 12 September 2011 but there was some conjecture regarding the installation of the plinth in the recommended location due to the rocky nature of the terrain. As a result it was again resolved:

*C25/9/11 That consideration of the Springdale Park proposed location for placement of memorial plaques is recommitted to a future Community Services Committee.*

Further discussion has been held with the Supervisor Parks Maintenance in relation to this matter. He advised that the majority all of the terrain in the area is rocky and that the installation of any infrastructure poses a challenge. The goal posts installed to enable AFL football to be played on the grounds required use of appropriate machinery to ensure that the posts were secure. He suggested that by comparison, the installation of the plinth would not be insurmountable and could be achieved. He was of the opinion that any of the terrain in the vicinity of the club rooms would offer the same challenge and that the proposed location was the preferred one from the point of view of user interaction with the site.

## **DETAILS OF PROPOSAL**

The proposal is that Council endorses the recommended location of the plaque as described on the map of Springdale Park based on advice of the Supervisor Parks Maintenance and his knowledge of the terrain of Springdale Park and other infrastructure previously installed at the Park.

## **COMMENT**

### Options

1. Endorse the proposed location for the memorial plaque.
2. Recommend an alternative location for the memorial plaque.

### Conclusion

It is recommended that Council endorse the proposed location for the memorial plaque at Springdale Park.

## **C31/10/11 RECOMMEND**

**That Council endorses the proposed location for placement of a memorial plaque at Springdale Park as shown in the plan presented at (Refer to Attachment “4”), to these minutes.**

**Moved Cr Hart  
CARRIED(6/1)**

***COUNCILLORS' ITEMS***

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Nil

Cr MacDonald thanked Committee and staff for their hard work and support during her term of office.

Cr Best replied and also thanked the Chair for her hard work.

The Executive Manager Community Development thanked Committee for their support

**MEETING CLOSED AT 6.00pm**

**COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
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**4 OCTOBER 2011**

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**EQUESTRIAN FACILITIES -  
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## KIDSPORT OVERVIEW

### **KidSport overview**

KidSport will make it possible for Western Australian children to participate in community sport and recreation, no matter their financial circumstances. KidSport will allow eligible youth aged 5–18 years to apply for financial assistance to contribute towards club fees. The fees will go directly to the registered KidSport clubs participating in the project through their local government.

### **Criteria**

#### **What are the eligibility criteria?**

- Applicant must be aged 5–18 years.
- Applicant must have a Health Care Card or Pension Concession Card.
- Applicant's primary place of residence must be in the local government area they are applying to (*exceptions may apply*).
- It is preferred that applicants register with a club that is in their local government area.

#### **What else?**

- Funding will cover the cost of fees to join the nominated sport or recreation club (*this may include other related costs as identified by the club*).
- Maximum of up to \$200 per child.
- Applicants can only receive funding once per calendar year.
- Fees are only for the nominated registered season.
- No retrospective fees will be paid.
- No limitation to applications per family as long as criteria is met.
- An applicant can be 'validated' by a recognised referral agent (*e.g. school teachers, doctors, police, social workers, local area coordinators*).

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