



Hockey Working Group Notes – 11 May 2023



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## 1 Opening

Meeting opened at 5.30pm

## **Acknowledgement of country**

Ngany kaaditj Noongar moort keny kaadak nidja Wadjak Noongar boodja. Ngany kaaditj nidja Noongar birdiya – koora, ye-ye, boorda, baalapiny moorditj Noongar kaadijtin, moort, wer boodja ye-ye.

I acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land and respect past, present and emerging leaders, their continuing cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land, which continues to be important today.

### 2 Attendance

**Hockey Working Group Community Members** Kristi Annear

Michelle Smart Stuart Lamont James Savundra Graeme Hall

**Councillors** Cr Claire Anderson

Cr Wilfred Hendriks

**ToVP Representatives** David Doy (Manager Place Planning)

Tracy McQue

Meeting secretary Shelly Woods

**Presenters** Dave Lanfear

**Observers** Nil

**Apologies** Eddie Bartnik

Cr Jesse Hamer

Natalie Martin Goode (Chief Community

Planner)

Paul Gravett (Manager Community)

#### 3 Presentations

#### 4 Items for discussion

#### **4.1 Draft Business Case**

Reporting officer	Tracy McQue – Place Leader Strategic Planning David Doy – Manager Place Planning
Attachments	Nil

### Purpose of the item

- 1. To discuss the draft Business Case and clarify any elements.
- 2. To seek feedback from the Hockey Working Group's regarding the Business Case contents
- 3. To discuss and confirm progress toward the preferred option.
- 4. To discuss the agreed milestone at which the Hockey Working Group will be disbanded.

### **Outcome/Discussion**

David Lanfear from Otium Planning Pty Ltd provided an overview of the process and the draft analysis and recommendations.

Mr Lanfear advised the financial model still required some inputs from the Club and would be completed in the next few weeks.

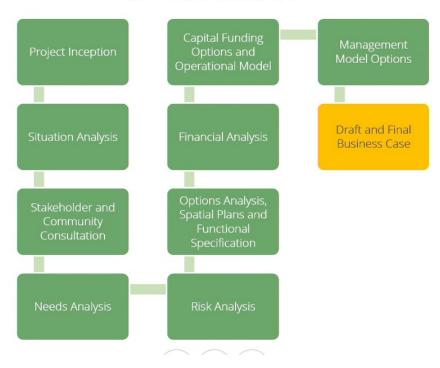
There was general discussion of the analysis, including if there was any value in looking at the models operating in other local government areas. However, the feedback from the consultant and Hockey WA was that each situation was different and difficult to make useful comparisons across local governments.

Councillor Anderson requested that some history of the Club and their role in the community be included in the front of the business case.

The Hockey Club raised a concern they require more time to review the draft business case and Town officers concurred they also needed more time, including review of the financial model. As such, it was agreed to postpone presenting the business case to Council to the June Concept Forum, and then July Agenda Briefing and Ordinary Council meetings where permission would be sought for the Town to proceed with a preferred option (site).

The Hockey Club also raised concerns about managing information released to the community, including club finances and potential concerns.

## **METHODOLOGY**



- The importance of securing a base for the future growth one of the biggest clubs within the Town to provide the potential opportunity to support the tourism, sport, leisure, and events sector.
- Enabling the community to improve their physical and mental health and wellbeing is aligned to the Town's Strategic Community Plan.
- The Town is committed to protecting and enhancing its environment (key consideration: existing management plans related to both water use and foreshore management).
- The provision of contemporary sporting infrastructure should be supported.
- The proven financial viability of sporting clubs is critical.
- A balance needs to be struck between a long term lease or annual licence which protects both the financial viability of new infrastructure and the management of the asset.
- Guidelines produced by The FIH, Hockey Australia, Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries and complementary international guidelines inform the facility specification.
- Demographics: Similar catchments for Paterson / G.O. Edwards and Taylor/ McCallum Reserves. Existing Catchment at a state level for Perth Hockey Stadium.

## **Strategic outcomes**

Civic Leadership	
Community priority	Intended public value outcome or impact
CL3 - Accountability and good governance.	A business case which investigates the feasibility and benefits of a potential investment.
Environment	
Community priority	Intended public value outcome or impact
EN5 - Providing facilities that are well-built and well-maintained.	The business case seeks to progress toward a facility that will meet the needs of the VPXHC and the local community is benefits.

#### **Next steps**

- Consultant to finalise financial model.
- Hockey Club to circulate their feedback on the draft business case.
- Reschedule briefing Elected Member at June Concept Forum (not public) presenting the options to Elected Members and opportunity for discussion and clarification.
- Reschedule final business case presentation to the July round of Council meetings (public) report seeking Council support to proceed with a preferred option.

#### **Further information**

Nil.

### **5 General business**

Nil

# **6 Actions from previous meetings**

Nil

### 7 Close

Meeting closed at 6.45pm