



TOWN OF
VICTORIA PARK



Hockey Working Group

Notes – 9 April 2024



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1 Opening

Acknowledgement of country

Ngani 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

Stuart Lamont – Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club
James Savundra – Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club
Eddie Bartnik– Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club
(Deputy Chair)
Graeme Hall – Hockey WA

Councillors

Mayor Karen Vernon
Cr Jesse Hamer

ToVP Representatives

Natalie Martin Goode (Chief Community Planner)
David Doy (Manager Place Planning)
Paul Gravett (Manager Community)
Tracy McQue (Place Leader Strategic Planning)

Meeting secretary

Presenters

Nil

Observers

Nil

Apologies

Cr Claire Anderson
Kristi Annear – Community Representative
Michelle Smart – Community Representative
Shelly Woods

3 Presentations

3.1 Australian Hockey Centre Redevelopment

Time	<i>15 minutes</i>
Presenter	<i>Graeme Hall</i>
Attachments	Nil

Purpose of the item

Update

Discussion/Outcome

Graeme Hall from Hockey WA (HWA) provided an update on the redevelopment of the Perth Hockey Stadium (PHS) as follows:

- A meeting is scheduled for late April between HWA, Department Local Govt, Sport and Culture (DLGSC) project team (including architect), user groups (3 hockey clubs and schools) and local government, to provide an update on the schematic design and allow for questions/answers.
- The schematic design of the facility is in the final stages. The detailed design phase of the project will commence once the schematic design is finalised.
- HWA have commenced discussions with Venues West (asset owners) and HWA.

Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club (VPX) requested information on the project governance/decision-making framework. Graeme Hall advised he would speak with Dept Local Government (project manager).

Graeme Hall advised that the proposed Strategic Facilities Plan for Hockey is being considered by the Board in the next week, with recommendations for the distribution of synthetic turfs over the next 10 years to meet needs and encourage hockey participation around the metro area. However, the plan would not obstruct Clubs from developing other synthetic turfs where sustainable business cases could be made.

Action:

1. HWA to advise if the governance/decision-making framework for the project can be shared with the Hockey Working Group.
2. The Town and VPX to attend the meeting with DLGSC re the PHS.

Strategic outcomes

Nil

4 Items for discussion

4.1 Business Case Progress

Reporting officer	David Doy/Tracy McQue
Origin of request	Council decision – February OCM 2022
Attachments	Nil

Purpose of the item

To agree to the next steps and timeframes for finalizing the draft hockey business case.

Outcome

Agreed actions and timeframe for finalizing the draft business case.

Discussion

- Given the details of the financial and turf arrangements for Option 3 (Perth Hockey Stadium PHS) will be some way off, Dave Lanfear has advised he would like to finish his current contract and finalise the next version of the draft business case showing a separate clubhouse at Option 3 (Perth Hockey Stadium).
- This requires finalizing the financial modeling with the Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club and other further comments from the Town on asset management arrangements and costs for Options 1 and 2.
- VPX stated their preference is for the whole club to be one venue and Option 3 PHS does not give the club this outcome however, they understand they are working within the confines of the PHS project.
- VPX re-stated their preference is not to consult with the community on other options until PHS option is fully explored.
- The Town will set up a meeting between VPX, the Town and the consultant to finalise the financial modelling.
- The next version of the draft business case is likely to take 2 months in reality.

Action:

3. The Town will set up a meeting between VPX, the Town and the consultant to complete the next version of the business case, in particular the financial modelling.

Strategic outcomes

Civic Leader	
CL03 – Well thought out and managed projects that are delivered successfully	The Business Case process ensures the necessary pre-work is completed (in a fully transparent manner) to inform Council decision making.

Next steps

Nil

Further information

Nil

4.2 Advocacy Update

Reporting officer	David Doy/Tracy McQue
Origin of request	N/A
Attachments	Nil

Purpose of the item

To note advocacy efforts to date and decide on future actions.

Discussion

- In the last six months, the following advocacy actions have been undertaken:
 - Town staff met with DLGSC Project Manager and Engagement Lead.
 - Mayor letter request to meet with Minister David Templeman MLA.
 - Hockey Club met with Minister Hannah Beasley (local member) MLA.
 - Are there any further advocacy actions the group would like to undertake?
- The Town advised Town staff had met with DLGCS who are project managers of the PHS redevelopment project, where the Town advocated for involvement of VPX and the Town in the design of the facility and concerns that opportunities for input were decreasing as the design progressed.
- The Mayor advised a letter had been sent to Minister Templeman requesting a meeting to advocate for involvement of VPX and the Town in the design of the facility however, a meeting has not been requested, but the Town continues pressing for one.
- VPX advised they had met with Hannah Beasley (local member) to provide an update on the Clubs aspirations and actions for a synthetic turf and input into the PHS redevelopment.
- The group did not require any further advocacy actions at present.

Action:

4. The Town to share the briefing note on meeting with DLGSC in late 2023, with the HWG.

Strategic outcomes

Civic Leadership

Strategic outcome

Intended public value outcome or impact

CL02 Communication and engagement with community

To ensure the Club has sufficient input into the design of any new facility to meet their needs and provide for future growth

Next steps

Nil

Further information

Post meeting update:

- December 2023 - David Doy met with the DLGSC PHS redevelopment in late December 2023 re Town controlled local roads around the stadium. This provided David with an opportunity to provide a brief update on the Club's preferences, and a follow up meeting was requested to discuss the issue in more detail, but DLGSC advised they wanted to speak with HWA first.
- 7 February 2024 – the requested meeting was held, and the Town (David Doy / Tracy McQue) provided an outline of the Town and VPX concerns that the design of the PHS was progressing without input from key users. DLGCS stated they would speak with HWA regarding a design briefing session as soon as possible.

5 General business

- VPX/Town to provide an update to HWG on the key take outs / any urgent actions arising from meeting with DLGSC re PHS redevelopment.
- Next HWG meeting in approx. 3 months, pending any urgent need to discuss outcomes of April DLGSC meeting.

6 Actions from previous meetings

Request the Town's CEO to brief Federal member Zaneta Mascarenhas on the project to explore the potential for Federal funding opportunities	scheduled
Place Planning staff to carry out further engagement with the State Government regarding approval processes and funding streams	Ongoing

7 Close

Meeting closed at 5.45pm