

Sports Facility Strategy **2023**

Planning sports facilities for the future growth in Playford



Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge and pay our respects to the Kaurna people, the traditional custodians whose ancestral lands we gather on. We acknowledge the deep feelings of attachment and relationship of the Kaurna people to country and we respect and value their past, present and ongoing connections to the land and cultural beliefs.



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1. Introduction

Investing in sports facilities has multiple benefits for our community, such as improved health and wellbeing. These benefits represent a significant return in investment for all levels of government.

1.1 Why this Strategy?

A lot has been achieved since 2014 through the implementation of the City of Playford Sportsground Directions Study. Much has also changed in the last eight years including the way we participate in sport and who participates. An example of this is the significant increase in women participating in those sports which were traditionally male. Sports are also adapting to our busy lifestyles with more people seeking flexibility.

One positive element for the City of Playford is that people are keen to be engaged in planning sports facilities. The challenge is to continue to take a Council wide perspective to planning for sports facilities, including growth areas, and the renewal of existing facilities. Therefore, it is important for Council to have a method that is consistent and equitable, to guide decision-makers in considering and prioritising projects for funding through Council's Annual Business Plan and identifying strong candidates for grant funding opportunities.

This Strategy:

- Considers the changing nature of sport and recent trends.
- Reviews the achievements and gaps from Council's Sportsground Directions Report and the Indoor Sports and Recreation Facility Study.
- Considers the outcomes of an extensive engagement process.
- Reviews the demand for sports facilities for our growing Council for the next 20 years.
- Provides an outline of Council's planning and facility funding process.
- Provides guiding principles.
- Provides criteria for evaluating projects.
- Provides a summary of future directions for sports and our individual sports facilities.
- Prioritises projects for the next 20 years.
- Considers options for new facilities in growth areas for the next 20 years.

This Strategy does not:

- Provide strategies to support club operations, governance and volunteers.
- Provide comprehensive facility design guidance however it supports the general principles of universal design, culturally sensitive design, environmentally sustainable design, water sensitive urban design, stormwater management and climate change resilience.
- Address tenure of facilities according to lease and licensing arrangements.
- Address facilities for recreation and parks.

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1.2 What is Sport?

A commonly referenced definition of sport, provided by the Australian Sports Commission is:

"A human activity involving physical exertion and skill as the primary focus of the activity, with elements of competition where rules and patterns of behavior governing the activity exist formally through organisations and is generally recognised as a sport."

The focus of this definition is clearly on rules and order.

However, the nature of sport is evolving, and the Australian Sports Commission has provided a recent and more nuanced description of sport that more appropriately accommodates our changing work and life patterns (see below). The City of Playford has seen an increase in 'social' and 'recreational' sport which has resulted in additional requests for ad-hoc use of playing fields and increased requests for basketball hoops and similar facilities in our parks.

A modern view of sport

Traditional Club

Rigid participation, competition and performance

Social **Sport**

More flexible, encouraging participation. AFL 9's Cardio Tennis Night Owls and 5 a side Soccer

Recreational **Sport**

More varied and flexible. Focused on fun and enjoyent. 3-on-3 **Basketball** Skate parks

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1.3 Why Plan for Sports Facilities?

The value of sport and recreation has long been assumed. In recent times however, due to an increased focus on evidence-based investment, there has been research that proves and quantifies the benefits of investing in sport facilities. In 2018, KPMG in partnership with the Australian Sports Commission, published the report The Value of Community Sport Infrastructure. This study synthesizes the evidence and provides a compelling business case for the investment in community sporting infrastructure.

The study estimates the annual value of sporting infrastructure to Australia as \$16 billion.

This value can be broken down into:

- 1. Economic impacts including:
 - Increased economic activity generated in construction and operations, and
 - Increased productivity of users
- 2. Health impacts, including:
 - Personal health benefits:
 - Cardiovascular health
 - Reduction in some cancers
 - Less risk of dementia
 - Less risk of type 2 diabetes
 - Less impact of mental health
 - Health system benefits (savings to the health system/budget)
- Social impacts, including: 3.
 - Human capital uplift of:
 - Educational outcomes
 - Positive employment outcomes
 - Urban improvement and green space
 - Wider community use of facilities



The estimated value of sports infrastructure is inevitably conservative as there is a range of others benefits which are proven but cannot be measured now, including:

- Community pride
- Social inclusion
- Reduced crime and anti-social behavior
- Volunteering
- Reduction in falls and drowning.

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1.4 The Value of Sport to Local Communities

In June 2021, the City of Logan, Queensland released a value statement for sports facilities after engaging KPMG to undertake an assessment of the costs and benefits of Council supported sport and recreation. This study concluded that for:

Every dollar of cost incurred by Council to support in-scope sport and recreation \$1.28 of benefit is supported within the City of Logan.'

The annual benefit supported by formal outdoor sport and recreation and indoor sports and aquatic centres in the City of Logan is approximately \$31.2M. This includes:

- \$7.0M (23%) in economic benefits
- \$13.2M (42%) in health benefits
- \$11.0M (35%) in social benefits.

Whilst Logan is approximately three times the size of Playford it shares many demographic similarities.

1.5 The Role of Local Government in Providing **Sports Facilities**

Core roles of Local Government (Local Government Act 1999) include:

- being a representative, informed and responsible decision-maker in the interests of its community, and
- providing and co-ordinating services and facilities that benefit its area, ratepayers, residents, and visitors.

These roles provide the core reason for developing this Strategy and to prioritise projects for Council consideration.

The National Sport and Recreation Policy Framework (NSRPF) provides further clarity on the role of local government in sport which is summarised below. This document is accepted by all Australian governments and was adopted in 2011 after a lengthy consultation process.

| Role of Local Government in Sport | | | |
|--|---|--|--|
| Core Role | Support Role | | |
| Strategic Planning for infrastructure and space Local management and access policies and procedures Investment in sport and recreation infrastructure Incorporate sport and recreation in council plans | Support local and regional program and venue providers Partner with non-government organisations that enable sport and active recreation participation Collaborate and partner across government departments on shared policy agendas | | |

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2. Strategic Context

2.1 City of Playford

After consideration of the benefits of sport, it is apparent that providing sporting infrastructure aligns strongly with many of the City of Playford's strategic objectives.

2.1.1 Playford Community Vision 2043

Sport facilities and participation in sport strongly support the aspirations of the Community Vision, in particular:

- Liveability
 - Connected communities
 - Safe communities
- Happiness
 - Ambitious and proud communities
 - Healthy living
- Prosperity
 - Educated and skilled
 - Community vitality

2.1.2 Strategic Plan 2020-2024 – Community and City Foundations

Planning for sports facilities, guided by our decision-making filters strongly supports the Community Themes in Council's Strategic Plan.

Decision-making filters

- Finish what we start in terms of our longer term projects that the community is expecting us to deliver.
- Work with other levels of government and stakeholder to ensure we maximise any opportunity to leverage external investment.

Community Themes

- 1. Improving safety and accessibility
 - Ensuring our public spaces, such as parks and playgrounds, are safe and accessible for our community.

2. Lifting city appearance

- Growing pride in the city and making it more liveable.
- Maintaining and uplifting the appearance of our parks and reserves, open spaces and verges within our existing resources.
- 3. Connecting with our community and each other
 - Assessing what we do to ensure the design of services and development of infrastructure meets the needs of our community.

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- 4. Supporting business and local employment opportunities
 - Supporting and leveraging opportunities we have to influence economic growth.
- 5. Using money wisely
 - Including maximising the number and variety of participants using a facility through innovative

The decision-making filters and community themes offer strong guidance to how we plan and prioritise our sports facility projects.

2.1.3 Sportsground Directions Study (2014)

The Study was developed by the City of Playford in 2014 with the aim to:

'Guide the future provision and development of sportsgrounds in the City of Playford over the next 20 years.'

The Study:

'Is a visioning and guideline document that identifies the requirements for sport and the opportunities for providing and improving sportsgrounds in existing suburbs and growth areas.'

2.1.4 Indoor Sport and Recreation Facility Study (2013)

In 2013, the Council developed the Indoor Sport and Recreation Facility Strategy. The aim of this strategy is to:

'Investigate the current and likely future needs for the City of Playford over the next 30 years.'

2.2 State and Federal Government Strategies

Development of sports facilities also aligns with multiple State and Federal Government strategic objectives including:

- South Australia's 20-year Infrastructure Plan
- South Australia's Sport Infrastructure Plan
- Game On Getting South Australia Moving
- Sport 2030 (Sport Australia)

These strategies have a common focus on delivering quality, inclusive and accessible sporting facilities, and developing strong business cases to facilitate investment in major sports facility projects.

Further detail is provided in **Appendix 1**.

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3. Trends, issues, achievements and gaps

3.1 Current trends

The City of Playford has identified the following trends that need to be considered when planning for future sports facilities:

- Significant population and development growth in the city with a forecast 48% increase in population from 2022-2041. Growth is also occurring generally in the northern metropolitan Adelaide region which, due to the catchment of some of our facilities, is likely to place additional pressure on demand in our city.
- An increase in demand for activities that are flexible and less structured to fit in with the pressures of modern life (e.g., 24-hour gyms).
- Increasing participation in sports that were previously considered extreme or novelty including the following included in the 2021 Olympics:
 - Skateboarding
 - o Freestyle BMX
 - Surfing
 - o Sport climbing
 - o 3 on 3 Basketball
 - Mountain biking
- Dramatically increased female participation in AFL, Cricket, Soccer and Rugby (League and
- Changes in standards and technology to improve safety, accessibility and design and address climate change.
- Increase in ageing facilities that are no longer 'fit for purpose' for a wide range of participants.
- Cultural diversity is increasing diversity in participation and sporting preferences.
- An increased focus on environmental sustainability which needs to be considered up front when planning for sports facilities.

A discussion paper was prepared for the community engagement on this Sports Facility Strategy that outlines these trends in more detail (see Appendix 2).

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3.2 City of Playford - Achievements and Gaps

3.2.1 Sportsground Directions Study (2014)

The Sportsground Directions Study (2014) has provided a strong basis for planning and delivering facilities including for growth areas and existing sportsgrounds. Since 2014 over \$40M has been invested in sports facilities including:

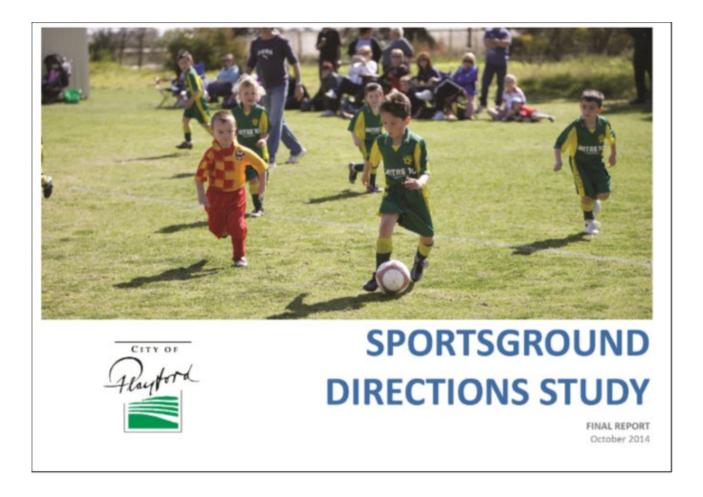
- Playford Regional Sports Precinct:
 - **Tennis Centre**
 - o Bowls Centre
 - o Adelaide United Football Club Training Facility
 - Elizabeth Oval new changerooms
 - Ridley Reserve Softball backstops and lighting
- Eyre Sports Park
- Angle Vale Community Sports Centre Stages 2 to 5
- Lighting of Kalara Reserve
- Multiple asset improvements to clubrooms and change facilities
- Planning studies for McGilp Recreation Park, Argana Park, Munno Para and Kooranowa Reserve
- Funding secured for upgrades of McGilp Recreation Park, Argana Park and Kalara Reserve.

Appendix 3 provides a scorecard of achievements, gaps and observations from the 2014 Sportsground Directions Study.

Overall, the achievements are significant in catering for our growing community. Since 2014, a greater value has been placed on inclusion and increased female participation in traditional male sports. As a result, there is an increased focus on the need for facilities, particularly changerooms, to cater for a greater diversity of users. This was echoed through our community engagement and needs continuing consideration in our asset management plans. Therefore, this strategy considers the level of service required when upgrading existing buildings and facilities and for new facilities.

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3.2.2 Indoor Sport and Recreation Facility Study (2013)

In 2013, the Council developed the Indoor Sport and Recreation Facility Strategy. The aim of this strategy is to:

'Investigate the current and likely future needs for the City of Playford over the next 30 years.'

The study provides the following recommendations:

- Support the redevelopment of the John McVeity Centre (JMC) at Smithfield Plains
- A district (2 court) indoor facility at Blakeview East, to be built in conjunction with school development(s)
- A regional level (3+ court) facility to be built at Playford Regional Centre (CBD)
- A district (2 court) facility at Munno Para Downs
- A district (2 court) facility at Buckland Park.

Whilst the JMC has been redeveloped, many recommendations from this study are yet to be implemented. This is in part due to the excessive cost of developing indoor facilities and the fact that there has not been a strong indication of need from the local community. Through this engagement process however, the Central District Basketball Club (currently based at Gawler) has indicated the need for multiple additional courts. Volleyball SA (South Australia) and Gymnastics SA have also indicated the need for additional venues in the northern metropolitan region.

In 2020, the Council signed a 'Council Enhancement Deed' with the education providers of Riverbanks College at Angle Vale.

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This process provided a partnership whereby Council negotiated community use of the school's two court stadium, a senior soccer pitch with lighting and a senior football (AFL) oval with lighting. Council has invested in these facilities and contributes towards the operation of these assets.

This partnership has the potential to offer multiple benefits to the school and local community. It also provides excellent value for money for Council because to build a stand-alone facility would cost more than \$10 million.

In August 2022, Council announced that after an extensive Expression of Interest (EOI) process the Pelligra Group will be developing land at the Elizabeth CBD as an entertainment precinct. It is proposed that this development will include ice sports, rock climbing and two multisport courts. This is a unique arrangement in the city of private ownership and management of significant sport facilities.

In recent years there has been consideration by State Government and Councils of the benefit of building multiple court (4+ courts) or multiple use indoor stadiums. This considers economies of scale, operational efficiencies, and the limited ability to run competitions during peak times with less than four courts. In recent times council facilities built within Metropolitan Adelaide have included:

- The Lights (2018) City of Port Adelaide Enfield, five courts
- St Clair (2018) City of Charles Sturt, six courts
- The ARC (2016) Campbelltown City Council, five courts
- Mitchell Park Sports and Community Centre (2022) City of Marion, two courts.

The Mitchell Park facility includes an indoor and outdoor sports hub with club and change facilities for cricket and Australian Rules Football, as well as a community centre. Subject to a review of Council's partnership with Riverbanks College at Angle Vale the best value model for Council to deliver 'district' level (2 court) stadiums is through a partnership with education providers or commercial entities and as a part of a multi-sport hub.

Council will continue to consider a regional level (4+ court) facility within the CBD subject to a feasibility study. This size facility supports sustainable operations and regional level competition. Partnerships should also be investigated for this facility to support multi-use.

Recommendation: Council will progress a feasibility study for a multi-use stadium of at least four courts in the CBD. This will consider existing and potential opportunities. Council will consider investment in shared school and community facilities at other locations.

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4. Community Engagement

4.1 How we engaged

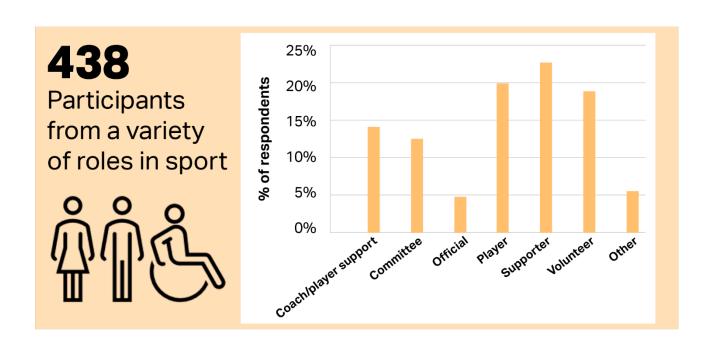
During May and June 2022, the Council engaged the community in an extensive process seeking input on issues and opportunities for our sports facilities.

The engagement was done through:

- Online survey
- Three sporting club workshops
- Sporting organisation and northern Adelaide regional council workshop
- Staff workshop



4.2 Who we engaged



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4.3 What we heard

Top five issues and opportunities

- 1. Renewing Ageing Facilities
- 2. New Facilities
- 3. Female Participation
- 4. Accessible Facilities
- 5. Environmentally Friendly Facilities

Key themes from the engagement

- Locate facilities to respond to population growth, club/sports growth demographic changes.
- Support female participation including design of more facilities for all.
- Ensure disability and cultural accessibility of facilities.



- · Adopt shared facilities for multiple clubs, sports and community use.
- Design well and build as designed (e.g., meet code standards, adequate storage, flexibility, security, lighting, environmental features, shelter, seating, technology).
- Support clubs with funding, volunteer management, information, maintaining members and to transition into shared facilities. *
- Include other recreation assets (e.g., playgrounds, trails, BBQs) next to sport facilities.
- Establish collaborative partnerships with clubs, sporting organisations, government, commercial operators, developers and schools.
- Involve clubs and community in the design of facilities.
- Consider non-mainstream sports and formats.
- Resourcing to support increased service levels and utilisation.

*In responding to community feedback this Strategy also notes that strategies relating to club management, membership, volunteers and programs are not within the scope of this strategy.



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5. Supply and Demand

5.1 Methodology

Supply and demand analysis uses a variety of data sources to estimate how our current facilities support participation including unmet demand. It also projects future demand for a variety of sports facilities based on trends and projected population growth. It is appropriate for this analysis to be done periodically due to changes in demographics. For this Strategy we have reliable population projections up to 2041 (Source: Forecast.id). Supply and demand analysis also considers the number of matches that can be scheduled for a competition day without scheduling conflicts. The following sources have been considered in supply and demand analysis for the city.

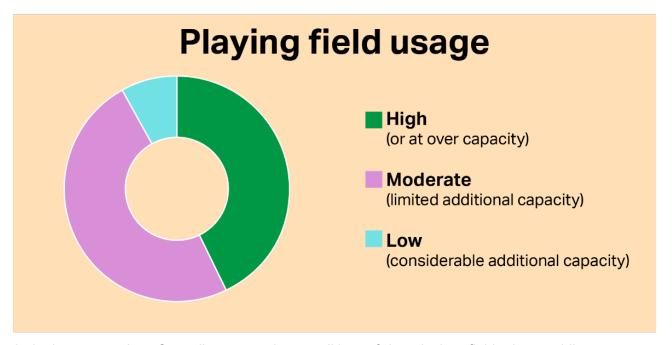


5.2 Current Sportsground Capacity

Another component of this supply and demand analysis is to use recommended standards to ensure that our grounds are fit for purpose and not overused. This considers the number of hours it is appropriate for team and casual use on the playing surfaces. This provides an understanding of the current overall capacity of Council's playing fields and shows there is limited capacity in our current facilities to cater for growth.

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It is important that Council protect the condition of its playing fields by avoiding overuse. Furthermore, in recent times there has been additional pressure on the playing fields due to the emergence of turf diseases, including fungal infections that affect the ability of turf to recover after use. Some of these conditions have become more prevalent due to the recent effects of climate change. Whilst Council will continue to explore chemical and curation remedies for these problems it will also explore other measures to maintain the condition of our playing fields including:

- Enforcing caps on playing field use and encouraging the use of overflow venues where fields are underutilised.
- Investigating future development of synthetic turf for playing fields.

Any cap on playing numbers will need to be accompanied by mechanisms to ensure equitable access for female teams is maintained.

Synthetic turf can carry about three times the capacity of natural turf; however, some Adelaide Councils have recently raised concerns about the overall benefits of synthetic turf due to:

- The contribution to urban warming compared to natural turf.
- High maintenance and replacement cost, and lack of contractors.
- Problems disposing of old synthetic turf in an environmentally responsible way due to lack of recycling options.
- Limitations on public access including dog walking.

A local government working group has been established to explore these issues further. Council will participate in and monitor the findings of this group before deciding to venture into developing synthetic playing fields.

Recommendation: Council will participate in and monitor the local government working group on synthetic pitches before developing synthetic playing surfaces.

To protect playing fields, Council will investigate the feasibility of placing a cap on club numbers per playing field based on recommended standards.





5.3 Participation, supply, and growth indicators

5.3.1 Demand for high participation sports

Three planning zones have been identified to consider the supply and demand for future facilities using a future 2041 population of about 50,000 in each zone. These zones also take in to account the main roads that significantly sever our community:

- Zone One east of Main North Road
- Zone Two west of Main North Road, ending before the Northern Expressway
- Zone Three west of the Northern Expressway and some areas along the eastern edge of the Northern Expressway.

Suburbs in zones are also combined according to census collection areas (SA2).

These zones are one tool for planning the spread of facilities across Council. People will however cross Zones to participate at their preferred facility, and it is apparent that currently in Zone Three, the Angle Vale facilities are catering for Zone Two residents and even attracting participants from Zone One, particularly due to the current lack of playing fields north of Curtis Road.

| Zone One | Zone Two | Zone Three |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| One Tree Hill | Elizabeth | Munno Para West |
| Blakeview | Elizabeth South, Grove and | Penfield and Eyre |
| Craigmore | Vale | Andrews Farm |
| Elizabeth North and Downs | Smithfield | Angle Vale (growth) |
| Elizabeth Park | Munno Para (Playford Alive) | Angle Vale (residual) |
| Elizabeth East | Munno Para (Railway) | Virginia (residual) |
| Hillbank | Smithfield Plains | Virginia (growth) |
| | Davoren Park - Edinburgh | Riverlea (Buckland Park) |
| | North | |
| | Playford North extension | |
| | (North) | |
| | Playford North extension | |
| | (South) | |





The following tables and maps indicate supply and demand for Playford's highest participation outdoor sports of cricket, soccer and Australian Rules Football (ARF). This gives an indication of the overall additional 'sportsfield open space' required by 2041 and will need to be reserved in growth areas.

| | 2021 | 2041 |
|------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Population | 100,568* | 152,767* |
| Australian Rules (ovals) | -2 (under supply) | 10 additional ovals needed, considering current under supply |
| Soccer (fields) | -1 | 13 additional fields needed |
| Cricket (ovals with pitches) | -1 | 3 additional ovals needed |

^{*}Population data sourced from forecast id.

5.3.2 Demand for lower participation sports

Other sports with less participation Council wide, which are organised on a regional or association model, need further consideration of future supply in conjunction with other councils in the northern metropolitan region, regional associations and State Sporting Organisations. The reason for this is that the provision of these facilities is highly dependent on the participation model, structure and scheduling used. Many of these sports (e.g., softball and baseball) are specialised and the playing surfaces do not lend themselves to use by other sports. These sports tend to be based around a single regional facility and growth needs to be monitored on a regional basis. Other specialised facilities such as synthetic hockey pitches and synthetic running track are high cost and not likely to be provided in each council due to their regional catchment.

Analysis using national standards show that supply of netball courts in the City of Playford will be more than sufficient up to 2041, particularly if more matches are scheduled away from Argana Park and at a wider range of times (e.g., proposed use of school courts at Munno Para and Riverbanks, Angle Vale).

Supply and demand analysis conducted on the same basis as soccer and Australian Rules Football indicates that Eyre Sports Park will be able to cater for the needs of Rugby League and Womma Reserve should continue to accommodate Rugby Union up to and beyond 2041.

Athletics will continue to be accommodated at Kooranowa and Duncan Anderson Reserves, with the addition of less specialised facilities at schools in consideration of the Little Athletics model of catchment.





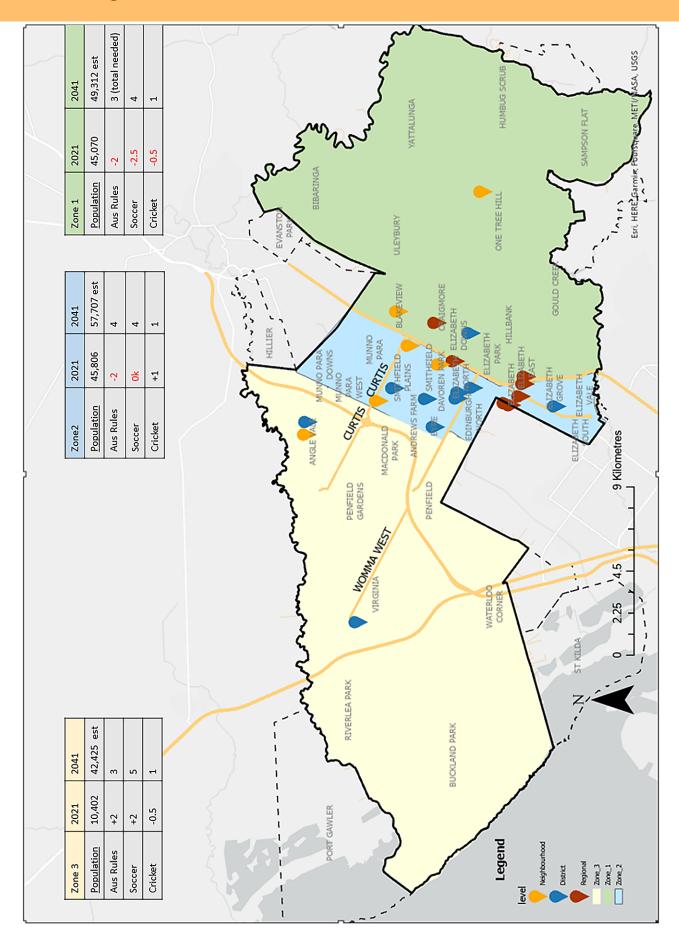
This planning direction for individual sports is further discussed in the Directions for Sport Section 10.1.

Recommendation:

Council will continue to plan for sports with lower participation and organised on a regional basis, in conjunction with other councils of the region and State Sporting Associations.

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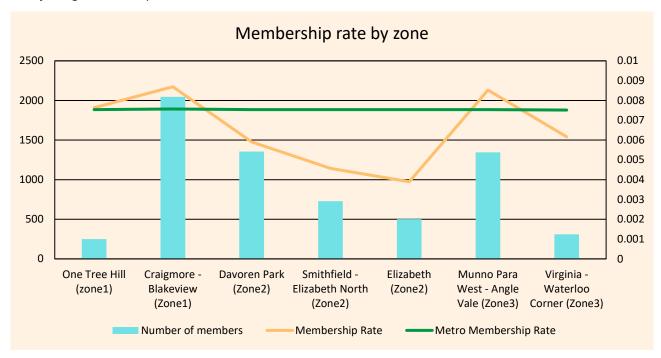
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Sport facility planning also needs to consider that participation rates vary depending on the demographics of a particular suburb. The implications of this are twofold:

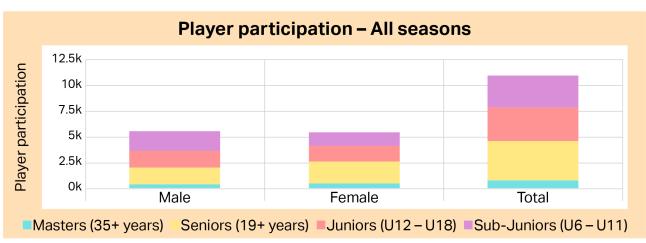
- Areas with greater participation rates may have greater demand for facilities and reflect the demographic of new areas of development.
- Those with lower rates could be targeted by sports for programs that encourage participation. These programs will in turn require appropriate spaces.

Club membership rates in newer growth areas are higher than established areas and this is likely to continue for new development areas due to the demographic they attract (e.g., new homeowners and younger families).

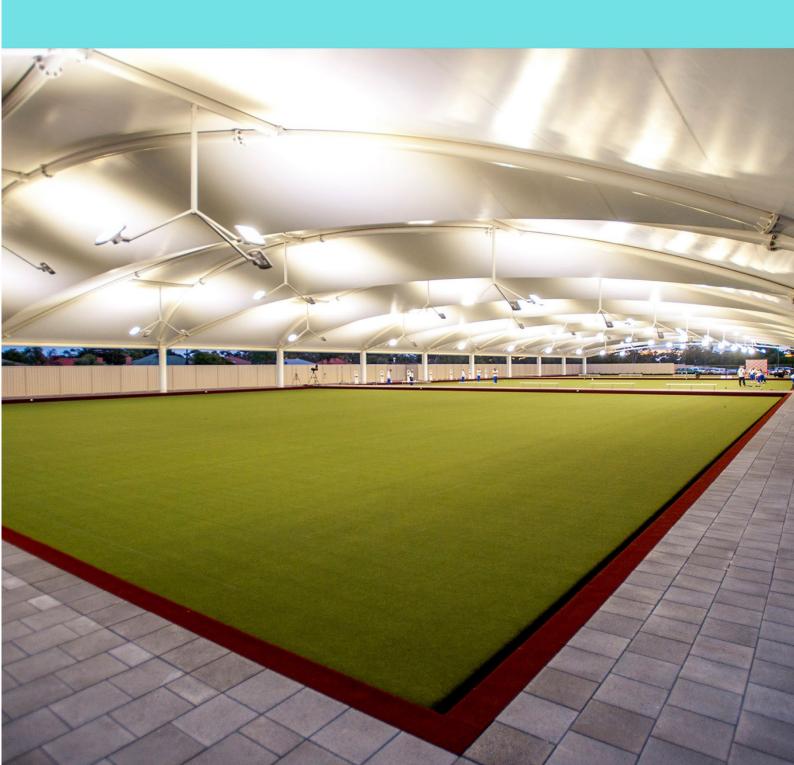


(Source: Active Exchange - limited to sports that contribute data to this platform, the above suburbs represent the name of SA2 census areas)

Player participation data (see below) also shows a strong cohort of junior participation, which in the coming years, will exacerbate the pressure on senior level playing fields and quickly fill any existing capacity where it exists.



Future directions and implementation



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6. Guiding Principles

The following guiding principles are drawn from a review of the Sportsground Directions Report (2014), community engagement undertaken for this Strategy, best practice sport facility planning published by sporting organisations and alignment with Council's Strategic Plan.

- 1. An equitable spread of facilities across the Council.
- 2. Facilities that are fit for purpose.
- 3. Facilities that are flexible and multi-use.
- 4. Strategic partnerships for the development and use of facilities.

These guiding principles influence all aspects of the planning process (Section 8).

6.1 An equitable spread of facilities across Council

This principle ensures reasonable access to playing fields, particularly for high participation sports across the whole Council area. It requires a 'hierarchy approach' to achieve a range of facilities that collectively support all skill and competition levels. Implementation of this principle considers supply and demand analysis and catchments for each facility. It supports the accessibility component of Council's Strategic Plan community theme of improving safety and accessibility and the theme of connecting with our community and each other in local areas.

The following definition of hierarchies align with Council's Community Land Management Plans for sportsfields and is supported by State Government.

| Hierarchy level | Catchment | Characteristics | Examples |
|-----------------------|---|---|---|
| State and National | Primary catchment of South Australia attracting users and visitors from interstate and overseas. | Provides the highest level of sporting competition. Facilities also assist in promoting sports and provide community access and pathway opportunities for participants. | Elizabeth Oval Elizabeth Regional Tennis Centre |
| Regional | Primary catchment of local users with extended catchment across multiple local council areas, primarily for competition and events. | Integrates competition and recreational forms of participation and provides a broad range of sport and recreation activities and programs for many participants across local and regional catchments. Generating usage via sporting events for multi-sports or sports specific services. Regional facilities are best provided at high profile sites in accessible locations with links to transport nodes and/or | Elizabeth Regional Sports Precinct Argana Park Aquadome Uley Reserve (potential) |





| Hierarchy level | Catchment | Characteristics | Examples |
|-----------------|---|--|---|
| | | commercial/community centres and services. | |
| District | Primary catchment area of local communities and single local council areas. | Provides a focus for Association competition, as well as service a local catchment to provide a mix of recreational, competitive and program formats of participation. Facilities may also provide a primary function as a local final's venue or a central venue that facilitates regular competition for multiple clubs/ teams. | Dauntsey Reserve Angle Vale Community Sports Centre Ramsay Reserve Womma Reserve Dwight Reserve Kooranowa Reserve JMC Mofflin Reserve (including Duncan Anderson) |
| Neighbourhood | Primary catchment area of local townships or single suburb areas. | Services the needs of local communities and sporting clubs for home and away fixtures, training activities and for participation programs. | McGilp Recreation Park Broadmeadows Reserve Virginia Oval |

(SA Regional Level Recreation and Sports Facilities Guidelines April 2016)

6.2 Facilities that are fit for purpose.

Council will endeavor to support clubs and the community through providing facilities that are fit for purpose according to State Sporting Organisation guidelines for a basic level of club competition according to service standards for the appropriate hierarchy level. To support equity across the Council, clubs aspiring to be a part of higher-level competitions may need to provide their own additional standard of facilities to meet these requirements.

In addition to sports facility standards, it is also important for facilities to be designed according to modern standards in a way that supports the Council's strategic direction. Principles for design include:

- Environmentally and ecologically sensitive design.
- Water sensitive design.
- Enhancing biodiversity within and around sports facilities particularly in buffer areas with other land uses.
- Universal Design design for all (accessible and inclusive of the widest possible diversity of abilities, culture, and gender).
- Crime prevention through environmental design (CPTED) i.e., safe, visible and lit areas.

It is important to include these elements up front when designing facilities rather than costly retrofits as circumstances change.

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This guiding principle supports the Strategic Plan 2020-24 community theme of improving safety and accessibility.

6.2.1 Facility Renewals and Asset Management

For existing facilities Council can ensure that facilities are fit for purpose through projects that include facility upgrades and providing additional infrastructure. Significant projects of this nature are new projects requiring new investment. Facilities are also upgraded or replaced through Council's Strategic Asset Management Plan when they have reached the end of their useful life. At this time, rather than replacing like for like the facility should be replaced with a modern-day equivalent.

It is also important that renewals are timed and prioritised in alignment with new projects identified in this document. This requires advanced planning and consideration of projects over several years, so that facilities are not replaced if they are substantially impacted by a new project (e.g. to be demolished) and, the timing of renewal has the ability to complement a new project (e.g. some changerooms due to be renewed when there is also a priority identified for additional new changerooms).

Traditionally, asset management plans have not considered the unique character of sporting facilities when considering the lifecycle of a sporting asset. For example:

- Plexipave required for tennis competition needs more frequent renewal than traditional bitumen.
- Some fences used for sport serve a particular purpose for safety e.g., backstops for baseball and softball and throwing cages for athletics. These need to fulfill safety standards which are an additional consideration for lifecycle of the asset.
- Concrete cricket pitches have a different lifecycle to a concrete path.

During the engagement process it was considered that many of our existing facilities were not up to standard to cater for a diversity of users. There was also a perception of a lack of appropriately designed facilities to cater for the rising number of female participants in traditional male sports. This was strongly identified for certain sites and needs to be addressed.

Recommendations (Asset Management):

- Council will renew assets with a modern-day equivalent through asset management plans.
- Four-year asset management plans will be developed for sporting facilities that align with and support the priorities in this Strategy.
- Asset lifecycle will consider the unique character of sports facilities.

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6.3 Facilities that are flexible, shared-use and multi-use

Many of our facilities, in particular clubrooms, are vacant or underutilised during much of the week, particularly in the daytime. Clubrooms can be appropriate for:

- meetings
- workshops and seminars
- social gatherings
- community group activities
- education
- exercise (yoga, Pilates, aerobics, meditation etc.)
- darts, 8-ball/snooker, cards.

It is an ideal opportunity for schools to use Council owned playing fields during the day as well as supporting infrastructure such as car parking.

Additionally, funding programs evaluate projects positively according to the variety of sports, participants and activities that they support. We have acknowledged the significant and important rise of female participation in soccer, cricket and Australian Rules Football. Whilst not rapidly increasing it is also important to acknowledge that there is also male participation in sports such as softball and netball. This affirms the need to adopt universal design for new facilities and upgrades.

This principle therefore aligns with the Council's strategic decision-making filter of leveraging external funding.

Shared-use also provides groups and clubs with the opportunity to share skills and costs.

It is important that clubrooms are designed to be flexible to cater for a range of community opportunities. (e.g., large function areas and small meeting rooms, with potential for moveable walls). Flexible design helps to future proof our facilities as trends change.

During the engagement process we heard that clubs wish to be involved in the design process for new and redeveloped facilities, this is particularly important when facilities are shared. We also heard that facilitating greater use of facilities, outside of club hours, should be structured in a way that does not place an additional burden on existing volunteers.

This guiding principle supports the Strategic Plan 2020-24 community themes of using money wisely, through maximising the use of facilities, and connecting with our community and each other through shared-use of spaces.

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6.4 Development of strategic partnerships

Recent large sporting facilities in Adelaide have been developed on the foundation of strong partnerships. Councils own and manage most of these facilities and in most cases are unable to bear the full cost of adequately providing for the local community and beyond. Regional level facilities are often funded by all three levels of government. However, there are a multitude of partnerships leading to successful funding outcomes including:

- Clubs collaborating about shared-use opportunities.
- Clubs and council identifying and scoping projects.
- Council, clubs and sporting organisation's advocating for the importance of facilities to elected members, State and Federal Government.
- Private enterprise partnering with clubs and council to develop multiuse community sporting
- Clubs and associations demonstrating good governance and future sustainability to support the community's investment in the facility.

Council continues to be successful in developing new facilities through strategic partnerships including:

- Planning and funding partnerships with Federal Government, Tennis Australia and State Government to develop the Playford Tennis Centre.
- A planning and funding partnership with the developer and clubs to develop Eyre Sports
- A planning and funding partnership with Department of Education and TESA education to develop and operate community use facilities at Riverbanks College, Angle Vale.
- A funding partnership with the Federal and State Government to develop the Angle Vale Community Sports Facility.
- The outcome of a successful EOI with private sector developers resulting in a proposal to develop ice sports, indoor courts and rock climbing in the Central Business District (CBD).

Partnerships need to consider the priorities of all parties and Council will negotiate the best outcome to achieve its strategic objectives for the benefit of the community. Whilst outside investment will help support facility provision it may restrict Council's influence on programs, services and price for users at a facility.

Council will continue to develop strategic partnerships for the development of sports facilities. Schools and the Department for Education will be important partners in addressing future supply needs for soccer, Australian Rules Football and indoor sports. Council continues to develop strong working relationships with schools and the Department of Education and has considerable experience in negotiating shared-use agreements.

Developers are discovering the benefits of designing communities for health and wellbeing and the essential role investing in sporting facilities plays in attracting new residents. Council will build on its experience of working with the developers of Eyre, Munno Para, Blakes Crossing and Riverlea to develop new facilities.

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Funding partnerships are essential for Council to provide for our rapidly growing community. Regional facilities have the greatest potential to attract funding from Federal and State government due to their size and catchment and potential to support sporting pathways and State level facilities.

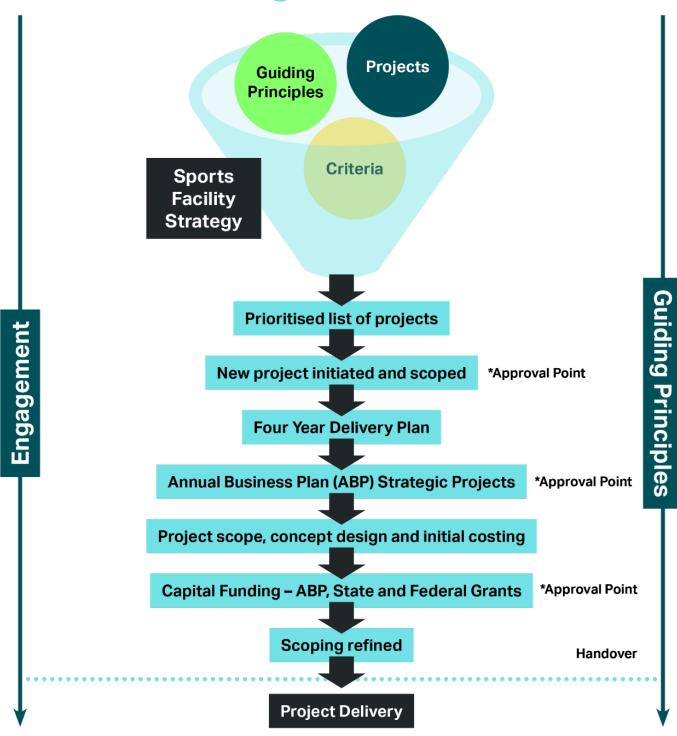
Recommendations:

- Investigate tenure mechanisms (license and leases) and resources to support community use of club buildings.
- Council will develop partnerships with education providers to develop facilities through shared investment, operations and use.

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7. The Planning Process



The City of Playford will continue to use the above process to plan for and deliver major sport facilities and upgrades. This ensures an equitable consideration of all projects, the best use of community funds and Council resources. This planning process requires appropriate planning, scoping and prioritisation which ensures projects are ready, where appropriate, to leverage external funding.

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8. Future Directions

Having considered:

- the value of sport
- recent trends strategic directions
- · Council achievements and gaps
- engagement with the local community, clubs, State Government, State Sporting Organisations, and other councils
- supply and demand analysis
- future growth and guiding principles

this section now considers future directions for sport and individual sporting grounds.

8.1 Directions for Sports - Existing

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| Sport | Directions | Rationale | |
| Athletics | Focus on maintaining Kooranowa and Duncan Anderson Reserves to a district standard that supports little athletics and transition to adult competition. Council acknowledges that Bridgestone Park is the Northern Adelaide Regional athletics facility. Council will only progress development of a full synthetic track subject to the outcomes of a feasibility study that considers the capital and ongoing operating costs. The feasibility study will consider external funding opportunities. Council will investigate some use of synthetic surfaces when facilities are upgraded (i.e. for a four lane 100m track similar to other district athletic facilities in Adelaide). Future need for facilities will be monitored and considered in growth areas as a new facility or school site. | The City of Salisbury has built a regional facility at Bridgestone Park. That has a potential catchment for senior competition across the northern metropolitan region. Athletics is not easily shared with other sports due to the equipment used and the nature of throwing activities. The athletics clubs should remain the primary tenants at their sites however other uses (e.g., soccer and archery) should be encouraged when facilities are not being used for athletics. | |
| Archery | There is an opportunity to explore expansion of complementary facilities for the Playford District Field Archers at the existing Ulebury location. This is owned by the Northern Adelaide Waste Management Authority | Council has been approached by archery clubs about suitable locations in the north. | |





| Sport | Directions | Rationale |
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| | (NAWMA) and under a Community Land Management Plan. Support future opportunities that arise including pack away shooting grounds at existing locations or field archery in suitable greenfield locations. | |
| Australian Rules Football (ARF) | Ensure existing facilities are fit for purpose and supporting growth in participation, particularly growing female participation. Ensure sufficient land is set aside in new developments to accommodate new demand. Negotiate shared-use arrangements with the public and private education sectors. Consider upgrade of school facilities with arrangements to include lighting. Facilities to be provided according to level of service outlined in Section 13. | ARF participation in Playford is growing at a significant rate. A high proportion of the growth in ARF participation is female participation. Many school ovals are available for additional use particularly as overflow club venues. Without sportsfield lighting their ability to be used is limited to daytime on weekends. A few ARF clubs currently do not have or have only limited junior programs. |
| Baseball | Maintain Broadmeadows Reserve as fit for purpose to serve the needs of Playford City Baseball Club. Consider the growth and future needs of baseball in conjunction with other councils in the region and Baseball SA. | Broadmeadows has served the needs of the Playford City Pirates for many years without major disruption to nearby residents. Baseball facilities cannot be easily shared with other sports due to the shape, backstops and mounds (which exist at Broadmeadows). Given the participation rate, future baseball facilities are best planned on a regional basis and not likely needed in the near future. |
| Boxing and Martial Arts | Develop Dauntsey Reserve facilities as fit for purpose to serve the needs of Northside Boxing Club and jiu jitsu. Make indoor facilities, including clubrooms, where appropriate, available for a variety of martial arts classes. | The boxing club is the community's longstanding dedicated boxing and martial arts facility. It serves as both the club's clubroom and sports facility. There is the opportunity for indoor spaces such as clubrooms and halls to be used by martial arts providers for classes. |





| Sport | Directions | Rationale |
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| Cricket | Future planning for cricket will take place in consideration of ARF and soccer. Ensure sufficient land is set aside in new developments to accommodate new demand. Facilities due for renewal will be done so according to the Cricket Australia Community Facilities Guidelines. As a baseline, develop new and upgraded facilities suitable for hard wicket competition according to the Cricket Australia Facilities Guidelines. Consider the feasibility and opportunities of maintaining or discontinuing turf wickets at Argana Park. Negotiate shared-use arrangements with the public and private education sectors. Consider growing interest in cricket during winter. Facilities to be provided according to level of service outlined in Section 13. | Council has cricket facilities shared with both soccer and ARF. Consideration needs to be given to cross over of seasons and potential training only venues. Council does not provide turf wicket maintenance service. Currently no cricket clubs in Playford playing turf cricket, and while there has been some interest flagged, the cost is prohibitive for them. Maintaining turf wickets is a significant additional cost to Council and will only be progressed with contribution by clubs and associations. Council has been approached by multicultural cricket clubs /groups for venues to use in winter. |
| Golf | Encourage private sector opportunities for a 'whole of golf' approach, across the northern metropolitan region with neighbouring councils and Golf SA. This includes: Driving ranges Mini golf Simulators Courses (6, 9 18 holes and par 3). | This aligns with Golf Australia's strategic direction. Traditionally golf has not been easily accessible to the northern metropolitan region due to cost and lack of facilities. |
| Lawn Bowls | Support the City of Playford Regional facility and monitor growth areas in planning zones one and three for future growth. Encourage the incorporation and community use of smaller facilities in retirement villages and aged care. | Playford Regional Bowls Centre is catering for current demand. Access to the site from those in zones one and three may be difficult and future demand towards 2041 will need consideration of smaller facilities in these zones. |
| Tennis | Maintain the Playford Tennis Centre as the primary regional tennis facility and fit for purpose as a state level facility to accommodate professional (satellite) tournaments. | Playford Tennis Centre is a high-level facility that should be maximised for competition and the focus of competition courts. |



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| Sport | Directions | Rationale |
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| | Negotiate use of school courts for public use. Negotiate an equitable spread of single community courts across Council in line with the open space obligations of developers and Council's Open Space Strategy. | Demand for community courts accessible across Council also needs consideration. |
| Rugby League | Maintain Eyre Sports Park as fit for purpose which should cater for use beyond the next 20 years. | Unlikely to outgrow Eyre Sports Park. |
| Rugby Union | Work with the Elizabeth Rugby Union Football Club (ERUFC) to support the appropriate mechanisms to maintain the facility at Womma Reserve as fit for purpose with a particular focus on changerooms. | Ownership model of clubroom and clubroom land will require further conversation with the club. |
| Soccer | Ensure existing facilities are fit for purpose and supporting growth in participation, particularly increased female participation. Council will provide facilities according to the level of service provided in Section 13. Ensure sufficient land is set aside in new developments to accommodate new demand and develop new facilities in growth areas. Consider site modifications, overflow venues or alternative sites for clubs that have outgrown their current sites. Negotiate shared-use arrangements with the public and private education sectors to cater for growth. Ensure there is a spread of informal space across Council, with goals to accommodate social games. Consider dedicated standalone soccer pitches at multi-use facilities to cater for year-round soccer use. Investigate feasibility of synthetic surfaces in conjunction with local government working group. | Increased participation including female participation. High interest in new and additional facilities. Clubs expected to contribute to bring facilities up to a higher level of competition if required. Requirement for soccer programs including women's world cup legacy program. Cross over of seasons can make shared-use difficult. |
| Softball | Maintain the softball facility at the Regional Sports Precinct to support the regional association with softball being the primary use. | Organised on a regional level basis with regional catchment. |



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| Sport | Directions | Rationale |
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| | Monitor growth in partnership with the association and consider potential for overflow at school facilities. Plan for future dedicated facilities in collaboration with councils in the region and Softball SA. | |
| Netball | Support the development of Argana Park as the primary regional netball facility. Explore potential to schedule more Association matches at Angle Vale and Virginia and the use of Riverbanks college as needed. Negotiate use of courts at Mark Oliphant College as a part of the Munno Para Regional Sport Precinct. Consider the potential for a new association facility in planning zone three in collaboration with the Elizabeth Netball Association, clubs in the zone and Netball SA. | A potential venue for a satellite or new association in planning zone three will make netball more accessible across the Council. Demand could be met by scheduling some matches away from Argana and on additional nights. |

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8.2 Directions for Sports – non-mainstream and emerging sports in the City of Playford

The previous section has considered directions for sports with relatively high participation, and these are easier to plan for due to data collection. The national AusPlay survey does not necessarily pick up trends in non-mainstream and emerging sports due to low numbers not registering as statistically significant in this sample survey.

It is important that the city provides for a range of facilities that can be used for both sport and active recreation to reflect the needs of our diverse community. This section identifies some opportunities to address the trends summarised in Section 3. 1 which include:

- Modern life requires sporting opportunities to be available and flexible. Sports such as disc golf and touch football tend to have more flexible participation arrangements and more social sport focus than traditional club sport.
- Some extreme sports are becoming more mainstream and popular. Climbing and mountain biking are examples of this.
- A diverse community is seeing demand for additional facilities, for example those in our community with Asian and European heritage may have traditionally participated in sports such as volleyball, badminton, futsal and water polo.

This section also acknowledges that many of our playing fields, clubrooms and indoor facilities are used for a variety of activities including sport and active recreation. Some of our clubrooms are used for 8 ball, darts and other activities and this is encouraged. Our playing fields are also used for outdoor fitness activity such as boot camps.

The AusPlay Survey shows a steady rise in active recreation participation such as in dance, pilates and aerobics. Much of this demand is taken up by private enterprise such as gyms, physios and private classes. There are however opportunities to continue to make our indoor spaces (clubrooms and halls) accessible for a wide range of activities.

| Sport | Directions | Rationale |
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| Indoor sports Volleyball Basketball Badminton Indoor soccer Indoor hockey Roller derby Indoor Cricket | Consider the feasibility of a regional facility (4+ courts) in the CBD. This will include exploring partnership models and have a focus on multi-use. The feasibility will take into consideration the development of the two-court facility proposed at the CBD and other existing and potential facilities including at schools. Two court facilities will be considered in growth areas as a shared-use with school operated facilities. | In consideration of Playford's growth and cultural diversity there is likely to be an increased demand for indoor facilities. The high cost of developing these facilities makes funding partnerships important. The feasibility and benefits of a minimum four courts will be considered considering existing and planned two court facilities. |



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| Sport | Directions | Rationale |
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| Gyms | Apart from community fitness groups at Council facilities, provision of gyms will continue as a commercial enterprise. | Significant provision provided commercially. |
| Aquatics | Maintain the Aquadrome as the primary regional aquatics centre. Continue to develop the facility for a wide range of users. Consider for inclusion in feasibility study for regional indoor court facility. Council will not consider developing new aquatics facilities alone. Opportunities may emerge for development of private facilities (schools and gyms) that will be available to the public. Therapeutic / rehabilitation facilities will be provided by the private sector. | High cost (capital and operating) facilities with strong demand best developed with funding partnerships. |
| Disc golf | Work with the SA Disc Golf Association and the City of Salisbury (Carisbrook Reserve) to establish a regional facility for competition and active recreation at Boundary Park. | The Association has already run bump in events with success including the SA Open and come and try. Future development subject to a review and understanding of costs. |
| Cycling | Consider the potential and gauge support for a trails /mountain bike strategy. Support any potential for on-road criterium events in liaison with Cycling SA and developers. Plan for and work with developers to ensure an even spread of BMX and pump tracks and align any proposals to the Open Space Strategy. Support informal road cycling and potential events through making public amenities available (toilets, drinking fountains, changerooms) at One Tree Hill, Angle Vale and Virginia. | Cycling has become one of the highest participation activities and needs to be considered in the context of the following: Transport Recreation Sport |





| Sport | Directions | Rationale |
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| Field Hockey | Consider the need for a synthetic hockey pitch (preferably multisport) with other councils of the region and Hockey SA. Consider partnerships with an education provider. | Growth on a regional level will potentially require a synthetic hockey pitch within the next 20 years. High cost makes partnerships important. Need to consider turf replacement and sustainable disposal. |
| Lacrosse | Monitor demand and consider in conjunction with councils of the region. Can be considered in conjunction with field hockey. Could be considered for underutilised sites. Potential at Playford Regional Sports Precinct in winter. | Currently Council has not experienced demand for this. |
| Table Tennis | Consider how we can utilise existing indoor sports facilities to provide opportunities for competition and/or social table tennis. Work with Table Tennis Australia to determine the need/interest. | Potential increase in participation. |
| Darts, 8 ball /snooker, cards | Promote the use of existing clubrooms for these activities. | Some clubrooms are already successfully utilised for these activities such as Broadmeadows, Smithfield and Elizabeth Vale. |
| Touch Football | Consider at rugby sites should demand arise or in flat open space parks (e.g., Stebonheath Park). | Potential social competition development. |
| Climbing | Climbing is being supported at private facilities such as Boulder and the proposed indoor entertainment facility at the CBD. Climbing walls could be considered for future indoor facilities. | Demand for climbing has emerged since sports climbing has been included in the Olympics. |





8.3 Directions for Sports Facilities

| Playing Fields and Hierarchy | Directions | Rationale |
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| Planning Zone One | | |
| McGilp Recreation Park - Neighborhood | Implement Master Plan. Consider a fourth lighting tower. | Funded in 2022/23 Annual Business Plan (ABP) and State Government Grant. Agreement not to construct lighting tower has now expired. |
| Blakes Crossing Oval - Neighborhood | Develop a concept plan to include small club/change room. Include lighting for training use. Consider Council's Social Infrastructure Plan regarding potential community centre. Maintain for flexible community use. Continue shared-use with school. | Change facilities are required to utilise the oval for club and overflow use. Align with Council's decision-making filters of finish what we start and leverage external funding. Potential overflow for clubs and programs (e.g., Auskick, T-ball, and Blast Cricket). |
| Uley Reserve - currently characteristics of a district facility with the capacity to be upgraded to regional level due to size and specialised soccer focus | Develop as a regional level soccer facility and in the long term consider additional amenities at the western end playing fields. Explore developing the reserve as a year-round soccer hub. | Change/shower amenities recently upgraded. Future capacity for additional users. Increased interest in all round use and season crossover. |
| Dwight Reserve - District | Consider upgraded clubrooms and changerooms, parking and entrance. Address the need to upgrade changerooms and additional toilets as a matter of short-term urgency. | Change room and toilet limitations need to be addressed as a matter of urgency. Club consider social space too confined for joint presentations. Strong feedback in engagement to support women's participation and spectators. |





| Argana Park - Regional | Implement Master Plan in a staged manner. Stage 1 - AFL Oval Lights, new shared netball, and soccer changerooms, entrance and car parking improvements. Stage 2 - Elizabeth Football Club change room improvements. Additional indented car parking on Garlic Road. Stage 3 - bring netball courts to current netball guideline standards. Progress to upgrade cricket according to hard wicket requirements. | Stage 1 funded in 2022/23 ABP and State Government Grant. Progress to align with Council's decision-making filter of finish what we start and leverage external funding. Make facility fit for purpose for female participation. Netball courts not up to Netball Australia Standard for run offs. Council does not provide turf wicket maintenance service. Currently no cricket clubs in Playford playing turf cricket, and while there has been some interest flagged, the cost is prohibitive for them. |
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| Playford Tennis Centre – Regional /State | Ensure surfaces are fit for purpose. Review use of space and hot shots courts to ensure best use and responding to need and event opportunities. | Review of general use and learnings from events. |
| Pistol Club (Jo Gapper Reserve) - Neighbourhood | Maintain according to club needs through the Asset Management Plan | A facility requiring no significant upgrade with stable participation. |
| Planning Zone Two | | |
| Playing Fields and Hierarchy | Directions | Rationale |
| Andrews Farm Community Oval (St Columba College) - Neighbourhood | Continue as is with school maintaining and clubs able to book for overflow. | Remains a cost-efficient solution for additional future capacity and flexibility. |
| Kooranowa Reserve - District | Implement Master Plan to address changerooms, car parking and field sport issues. Consider potential for overflow or events | A recent study has concluded that Munno Para Little Athletics remain on site and the site be upgraded according to its Master Plan. |





| | combined with school facilities. Consider other uses when not being used by athletics. | |
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| Smithfield Reserve - District | Maintain to serve club's purpose. Monitor need in conjunction with club growth and membership sustainability. | Clubroom/hall used by a range of community groups. |
| Broadmeadows Reserve - Neighbourhood | Maintain as fit for purpose for club needs. Consider additional storage. AMP improvements when due. | Considering needs of baseball it is considered best for club to remain at this site as the primary tenant. |
| Kalara Reserve - District | Master Plan required to consider consolidation of club and changerooms, car parking, active recreation and casual use. | Seed funding provided to plan for this site and to maximise its use through improvements. |
| Womma Reserve - District | Clubroom and changerooms in need of upgrade. Club placing priority within its own capability to upgrade social areas. Council and club consider a funding model for upgrading changerooms. Consider whole site in conjunction with Ramsay Reserve and opportunity for shared amenities. | Club ownership of clubrooms and associated land needs to be considered to develop a funding model for improvements. |
| Ramsay Reserve - District | Consider Master Plan for the site including consolidation and improvement of buildings, car parking and multi-use. Consider linkages from and through site to surrounding areas. Consider use of dead spaces for training pitches. Changeroom upgrade and additional changerooms required to support growing | Poor condition of outbuildings and need to improve amenities to support increased participation and appropriate level of service. |





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| | use and female participation. Consider whole site in conjunction with Womma Reserve and opportunity for shared amenities block. | |
| Eyre Sports Park – District | Any further storage or amenities as requested by clubs need to be considered when there is need for additional amenities block near the northern playing field. Maintain the site as accessible and providing a variety of recreation opportunities to the local community. | This will be dependent on surrounding growth. In addition to sport, the space is utilised by the local community. |
| Dauntsey Reserve - District | Consider development of a Master Plan including upgrade of facilities, opportunities for shareduse, improved parking and additional playing surfaces. A priority to be considered in master planning is the need for shared change facilities for boxing, soccer and cricket, expansion and upgrading of boxing gym. School use and shared development and use of facilities to be explored. Consider soccer and cricket club needs, if outgrowing the site, in future EOI's for growth projects. | Soccer clubrooms in good condition. Changerooms are not up to standard for cricket, soccer, or boxing/martial arts, particularly to accommodate increased female participation. Changerooms are the main potential for sharing. Include clubs and school in planning. |
| Elizabeth Oval - State | Review Venue Improvement Plan as a partnership between Council, Central Districts Football Club and South Australia National Football League A pressing priority is improved and safe | Plan requires upgrade considering current club vision. |





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| | linkages to Playford International College Oval. | |
| Playford Regional Sports Precinct – Regional General | Continue to develop the Playford Regional Sports Precinct according to the best practice principles outlined in the Master Plan. Key principles include: • Diversity of sports • Shared-use and multi-use • Include higher level and higher quality facilities. However also support school, community, and local sport use. • Integration of commercial and entertainment opportunities. | The Master Plan remains the guiding document for the Playford Regional Sports Precinct as a whole. |
| Playford Regional Sports Precinct – Regional Softball / West | Clubroom/changeroom and storage upgrade. Consider more permanent home plates to assist managing wear and tear. Include dugouts for feature diamonds. | Addition of men's association at the site adds to demand and use. New lights have potential to attract additional users and demand for changerooms. |
| Playford Regional Sports Precinct – Regional Soccer /East | Provide community facilities (change and clubrooms) for fields west of Adelaide United Football Club (AUFC) training centre. Develop facilities in conjunction with AUFC with a focus on community benefit. | AUFC has indicated desire to consolidate all squads at the training facility. Western grounds maintained but not able to be leased to community groups due to lack of amenities. Pending information from AUFC and further negotiations |
| Mofflin Reserve - District | Maintain buildings as fit for purpose. Need for new changeroom upgrade for Central United to bring up to appropriate service level. | Relatively low participation at site. Central United changerooms well below standard (no current female teams). Potential link to Asset Management Planning process. |





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| Duncan Anderson Reserve - District | Maintain to club needs. | Upgrades e.g., veranda extension to be dealt with through ABP minor works projects or AMP. |
| Aquadome - Regional | Review use and maintain as the major regional aquatics facility including consideration of outdoor space. Consider site in context of indoor facility feasibility study. | Well used and plays an essential regional role in the statewide aquatics hierarchy. |
| John McVeity Centre - District | Ensure courts are fit for purpose for indoor sports. Support directions of the Wellbeing Hub which is the current operating vision of the site. | Direction to be provided by the evolution of the Wellbeing Hub. |
| Munno Para Regional Sportsground (adjacent Mark Oliphant College) – Regional | Develop site in a staged manner in collaboration with the school. Use concept master plan as a guide. Consider contribution towards lighting netball courts if club demand requires. | Aligns with Playford Alive Master Plan and open space contribution for regional sports facility. Funding for kiss and drop facility and parking supports future sports facilities. |
| Planning Zone Three | | |
| Playing Fields and Hierarchy | Directions | Rationale |
| Angle Vale Community Sports Centre (AVCSC) - District | Consider all weather alfresco area flowing from existing clubrooms to cater for multi club needs. Future changeroom improvements to be included in Asset Management Plans to bring up to guideline standard Consider how clubs can use future (adjacent) community centre for events and functions to complement existing facilities. | Clubs constrained by social area size. Whilst this facility has experienced significant growth it is considered that the development of a new facility at Munno Para will absorb some of the demand currently being accommodated at AVCSC. |





| Angle Vale Community Oval (school) - Neighbourhood | Review future use for sport in consideration of Riverbanks College use. Consider role as community open space and overflow. Consider best option for land ownership across the multiple titles. | Consider future need in the context of all Angle Vale sports facilities and growth as currently multiple titles across the site and assets on Council owned sections not being maintained/renewed (i.e., tennis/netball court and car park of west side). |
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| Virginia Oval - District (Precinct includes use of school for soccer) | Secure use of Virginia Primary School pitches for the Virginia United Soccer Club for the long term. Explore potential use of currently unused land in the northwest corner of the Virginia Oval site, for additional soccer fields. Develop shared changeroom and clubroom improvements to cater for all future clubs in Virginia. Explore short term solution to provide the soccer club with accessible amenities to the school fields. | Soccer facilities inadequate, on school land with no appropriate changerooms and no potential for club to grow and accommodate the growing population. Football /cricket changerooms need refurbishment as a matter of urgency. |
| Riverlea – District | Develop at least two district and one regional facility as outlined in growth area section. Partner with Walker Corporation and education providers. Likely need for first district facility within five years containing soccer, Australian Rules Football, cricket and multi-use courts. | Currently the first district facility is in planning as a part of the development. |

Future directions and implementation



9. Project Criteria and Priorities

The following criteria have been devised to implement Council's planning and delivery process in a prioritised manner which reflects the guiding principles as outlined in Section 7. The criteria align with funding guidelines from the Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing and therefore supports Council's decision-making filters of leveraging external funding and finishing what we start.

The categories for projects also represent how they support existing uses, growth areas and the need for further planning before projects can be scoped.

9.1 Project eligibility

For facilities to be eligible for investment by Council, State Government and Federal Government, the tenant clubs must demonstrate good governance and long-term future sustainability (growth, financial and viability). This protects the community's investment in sporting infrastructure. This will be guided by the Council's best practice club governance criteria (currently used as guidelines for license discount criteria).

9.2 Criteria

| Criteria | Considerations | Measures | Weighting |
|--------------------|--|--|-----------|
| Usage | Actual use and /or the potential demand. It considers the number of participants and the size of the facility. It also considers the role in the facility hierarchy in terms of catchment. | Club membership and team numbers. Number of uses (mixed use). Programs and events run at the site. Catchment. | 40% |
| Need | Limitations of the facility to accommodate its use and ability to deliver on sports service standards according to hierarchy. Ability of the project to attract additional participation. Is the facility fit for purpose? Is the facility inclusively accessible? Safety. | Audits. Incidence reporting. Sporting standards. Community Engagement. | 40% |
| Value for money | Supports multiple uses. Attracts other funding sources and programs. Provides a longer-term solution. Cost is reasonable for outcome. Good design. | Cost and benefits.Longevity.Sustainability. | 20% |





9.3 Project Categories

| Project Type | Description | Comment |
|--|---|---|
| Infrastructure Projects – New Facilities | Growth areas (greenfield development sites) | Time critical due to: Growth area development (rate of growth) Partnership opportunities. Funding opportunities. Existing commitments and grants. |
| Infrastructure Projects - Existing Facilities | Replacement, major upgrades and additions to bring facilities up to appropriate level of service and cater for growing demand at existing facilities. | Bring facilities up to appropriate level of service and cater for growing demand at existing facilities |

Depending on the scope of the project various planning activities will need to occur such as master plans, concept plans and feasibility studies

Recommendation:

• Prior to investing in facilities, tenant clubs must demonstrate good governance according to Council's best practice club governance criteria.





10. Prioritised Projects

10.1 Infrastructure Projects – Current commitments (2023)

| Priority | Site | Project | Rationale |
|----------|--|---|--|
| High | McGilp Recreation Park | Implement Master Plan: | Time sensitive – funded, current commitment. |
| | Argana Park | Oval lightsShared changeroom for soccer and netball | Time sensitive – funded, current commitment. |
| | Kalara Reserve | Implement clubroom improvements from master planning | Time sensitive – funded, current commitment. |
| | Munno Para Regional Sportsground (adjacent Mark Oliphant College) | Kiss and drop and parking for school and sportsground Stage One sportsground Run an Expression of Interest for new users for consideration of new clubs or clubs who have outgrown their current facilities | Time sensitive – funded, current commitment. Finish what we start with the kiss and drop and build on land contribution and Playford Alive Master Plan. Need for facilities North of Curtis Road. |
| | Riverlea | Deliver first District Facility in collaboration with developer. | Time sensitive – Planning commenced. Need to maximise opportunity for shared-use / investment with school. Rapid development demand with potential capacity use within five years. |





10.2 Infrastructure Projects – Existing Facilities

| Priority | Site | Project | Rationale |
|----------|--|--|---|
| High | | | |
| 1 | Dauntsey Reserve | Implement priority projects from master planning exercise including: • Shared-use amongst all users including school and consolidation of buildings • Need for Boxing Club expansion and improvement • Improved and increased changerooms • School needs into the future • Consideration of surrounding land uses | Priority needs. Boxing Club: Clubroom is also their sport facility and very tight for space Unique catchment and character of users Shared-use with jujitsu. No room for spectators and parents Soccer Changerooms not up to standard Women's side now participating in Football South Australia Competition Use nearing capacity. Issues of extended season use and sharing with cricket Urgent need for storage for all clubs Soccer use at capacity at site Investigate Playford College needs in conjunction with Master Plan as school site constrained |
| 2 | Dwight Reserve | Eastern Park - changerooms, clubrooms and toilets *Urgent temporary measure needed for changeroom and toilets during planning and implementation*. Consider parking and entrance | Extreme need for upgraded and additional toilets and changerooms Female participation and spectators need to be catered for more appropriately |
| 3 | Playford Sports Precinct, Ridley Reserve East – Softball Precinct | Clubroom/changeroom upgrade | Current limited space for multiuse, male, and female, combined association. Winter sport uses (AFL and soccer) need lighting to increase use |





| Priority | Site | Project | Rationale |
|----------|--|--|--|
| 4 | Angle Vale Community Sports Centre | Expand clubrooms with additional flexible social space. | Multiple clubs participating concurrently – relatively low-cost solution to capacity problem for two major winter sports at one time. |
| 5 | Virginia Oval | Provide adequate facilities for the growth of the soccer club within the precinct including additional pitches and change facilities Consider change room improvements for multi /shared sports and male/female teams Consider temporary change facilities to accommodate soccer | Need to bring existing changerooms up to standard Accommodate the growth of the soccer club and maintain their identity as a Virginia based club Maintains and builds on existing use of school facilities |
| 6 | Ramsey Park | Changeroom improvements and additional changerooms required Consider in conjunction with potential of consolidating buildings | Changerooms needed to cater for both playing fields and growth in participation including female participation. |
| 7 | Elizabeth Oval | Pedestrian separation from roadway and crossing to Playford International College. | Build on change room and Playford International College improvements. |
| 8 | Playford Sports Precinct | Community soccer club /change room needed to further activate community fields. | Currently fields west of AUFC cannot be leased due to lack of amenities Potential use for programs to support new participants to the sport |
| 9 | Womma Reserve | Changeroom improvements and additional changerooms required. | Changerooms in bad condition. Club keen to focus on social area change room upgrade but cost likely beyond club means. Further mechanisms to progress these needs exploring in consideration of club building/land in club ownership. |
| 10 | Mofflin Reserve – Centrals United | Changeroom improvements. | Need to bring changerooms up to standard. |
| 11 | Argana Park. | Football (ARF) changerooms and Garlick Road parking. | Need to bring changerooms up to standard. |





| Priority | Site | Project | Rationale |
|----------|----------------|------------------------------|---------------------|
| 12 | Elizabeth Oval | Improve integration of | Identified by club. |
| | | disability viewing area with | |
| | | other amenities. | |

| Priority | | | |
|-----------|----------------------------|--|---|
| Medium | Kooranowa | Expand field sports area. | Enable greater use of infield – as |
| | Reserve | | per Master Plan. |
| | Kooranowa | Change room, parking, and entrance improvements. | As per Master Plan. |
| | Blakes Crossing | Change rooms/community use. Lights. | Complete for competition overflow use while allowing continued community use. |
| | Argana Park | Bring netball courts to standard as per Master Plan. | Next stage of Master Plan. |
| Low Prior | ity | | |
| Low | Uley Reserve | Veranda extension. | (Potential minor works) |
| | Uley | Secondary amenities block. | Monitor demand and use. |
| | Eyre Sports Park | Storage / secondary amenities block. | Monitor demand and align with need. |
| | Elizabeth Oval | Conference room and viewing platform. | Maximise community use of site – planning work needed in conjunction with club. Priority depends on funding model. |
| | Elizabeth Oval | Entrance Plazas and de- mounding. | In line with Venue Improvement Plan. |
| | Ridley Reserve Softball | Storage shed. | Potential minor works. |



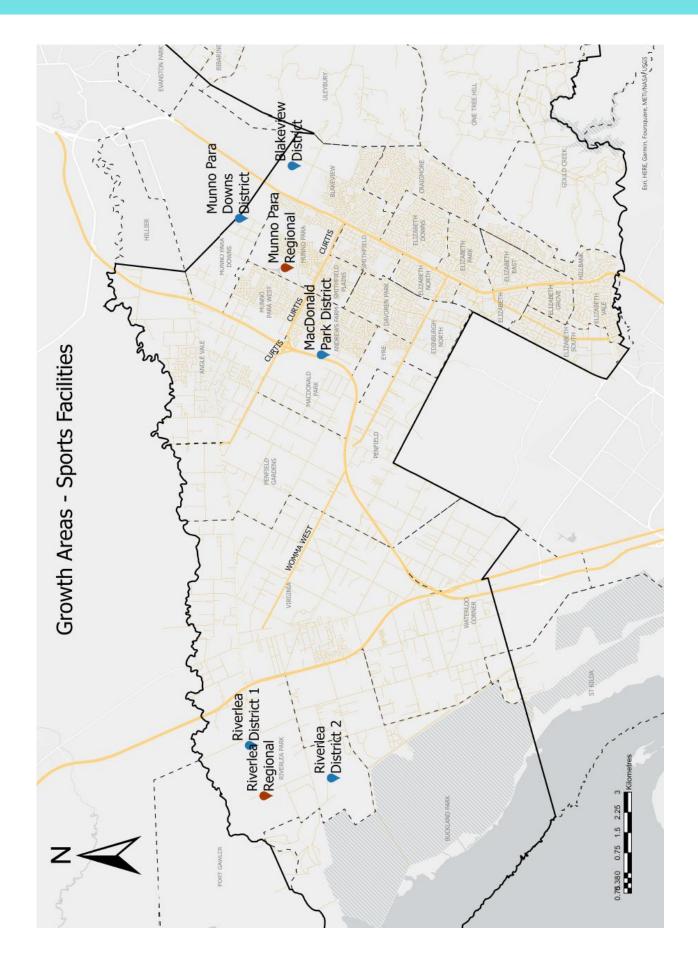


10.3 Infrastructure Projects – New Facilities

| Priority Projects (0-5 years) | Hierarchy/Stage | Time Critical / Leverage External Investment Opportunity |
|--|---------------------------|--|
| Riverlea Sportsground and Indoor Courts | District | Current negotiations |
| Munno Para Sportsground | Regional /Stage 1 | Stage Government funding for kiss and drop / stage 1 |
| Munno Para Downs Sportsground | District /Secure Land | Secure Land |
| Additional Project (5+ years) | | Indicative timing |
| Munno Para Sportsground | Regional Stage 2 and 3 | 5-10 years |
| Riverlea Sportsground | Regional | 5-10 years |
| Munno Para Downs Sportsground | District | 5-10 years |
| Mac Donald Park Sportsground | District | 5-10 years |
| Blakeview Sportsground and indoor courts | District | 10+ years |
| Riverlea Sportsground | District | 10+ years |

Future directions and implementation





Future directions and implementation



Recommendation:

Council will fund projects according to the priorities in 10.2 and consideration of time critical projects.

11. Future Demand and Growth **Areas**

Addressing demand for the next 20 years will include the strategy of working with developers to ensure there is adequate sporting space reserved in master planning. Riverlea is of particular importance due to its rapid growth and overall projected population of over 30,000.

Planning for Riverlea has focused on the overall need for sporting space the size of two district and one regional level sports precinct.

Growth in Blakeview and Munno Para Downs will need to be monitored for opportunities in liaison with Renewal SA.

Furthermore, given the increased participation of women in field sports additional capacity is required through negotiation of the shared community use of school facilities. This should happen at underutilised existing schools and planning of new schools in growth areas.

An indicative model for accommodating future demand is indicated below:

| Projected additional fields needed by 2041 (Council Wide) | 10 | 13 | 3 |
|---|-----|--------|---------|
| Potential Supply Pipeline up to 2041 (subject to further analysis and negotiations as population develops in new areas) | AFL | Soccer | Cricket |
| 2023-2031 | | | |
| Munno Para – (5 years) | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Riverlea (district) - (5 years) | 1 | 4 | 2 |
| 2031-2041 | | | |
| McDonald Park /Brookmont (district) | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| Riverlea (regional) | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Blakeview | 2 | 2 | |
| Munno Para Downs | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Total | 10 | 14 | 8 |

Note – 2041 is the extent of population projections currently. Additional capacity will be also sought through shared-use arrangements with schools.





12. General Recommendations

Throughout the Strategy, in the commentary and as a response to issues, there are general recommendations for Council to progress, not covered in the Directions section. recommendations are:

Recommendations

- Council will progress a feasibility study for a multi-use stadium of at least four 1 courts in the CBD. This will consider existing and potential opportunities. Council will consider investment in shared school and community facilities at other locations.
- 2 Council will participate in and monitor the local government working group on synthetic pitches before developing synthetic playing surfaces.
- 3 Council will investigate the feasibility of placing a cap on club numbers per playing field based on recommended standards.
- 4 Prior to investing in facilities, tenant clubs must demonstrate good governance according to Council's best practice club governance criteria.
- 5 Council will investigate tenure mechanisms and resources to support community use of club buildings including as community centres in growth areas.
- Council will develop partnerships with education providers to develop facilities 6 through shared investment, operations, and use.
- 7 Council will continue to plan for sports with lower participation, organised on a regional basis, in conjunction with other councils of the region and State Sporting Associations.
- 8 Council will renew assets with a modern-day equivalent through asset management
- 9 Four-year asset management plans will be developed for sporting facilities that align with and support the priorities in this Strategy.
- 10 Asset lifecycle will consider the unique character of sports facilities.
- 11 Council will fund projects according to the priorities in 10.2 and consideration of time critical projects.





13. Level of Service (standard) for **Sports Facilities**

The following represents the baseline provision of sporting facilities that the City of Playford will provide to community clubs. This applies to new facilities or renewals.

The aim of this guideline is to provide an equitable investment in all facilities across Council according to a baseline provision guide.

Clubs aspiring to improve the standard of facilities due to higher aspirations or levels of competition can seek approval with Council through club, association or sponsorship funding.

| Athletics | District Level | Neighbourhood |
|----------------------|---|---|
| | (Kooranowa and Duncan | |
| | Anderson Reserves) | |
| General | Council will maintain existing facilities appropriate for district level, little athletics competition. Council will not be seeking to develop a regional level athletics facility as this exists within the City of Salisbury to serve the area. | Council will consider negotiating use of school facilities in growth areas in line with Little Athletics SA guidelines. |
| Track | 400m circumference, minimum 6 lane, turf or dolomite. | Space for 400m track and informal field sports areas. |
| Jumping | Permanent, long jump, triple jump, and high jump areas. | |
| Discus | Permanent circle, ideally with cage. | |
| Shot put | Permanent circle. | |
| Lighting | Training standard. | |
| Spectator area | Shade and shelter for club / school events. | |
| Clubroom | | |
| Change room | 1 male and 1 female – each 2 WC and 1 shower. | |
| Public WC | 1 male, 1 female, 1 accessible. | |
| Small kiosk /kitchen | To be negotiated. | |
| Club meeting area | To be negotiated. | |
| Storage | Shed /storage - sufficient to reasonably store associated equipment. | |





| Australian Rules Football | District Level | Neighbourhood |
|----------------------------------|--|---|
| (ARF) | | |
| General | For this document, all facilities are considered district level, except Elizabeth Oval which is recognised as State level due to being home of CDFC and will be developed according to the Venue Improvement Plan developed in conjunction with the CDFC, SANFL and Council. | Blakes Crossing Oval to be developed as neighbourhood ARF facility. |
| Oval | Preferred Playing size 165 x135m Length between 130-180m Width between 110-155m Boundary run off 3-5m. Interchange boxes 4.8 x 1.2m Scoreboard Fixed goals | Preferred Playing size 165x135m Length between 130-180m Width between 110-155m Boundary run off 3-5m. Interchange boxes 4.8 x 1.2m Scoreboard Fixed goals |
| Lighting | 50 lux training | If required for training |
| Change Room | Home and away (55-75m2 x2), per full size oval | Home and away (45- 55m2x2) |
| Shower | 3 x separate lockable cubicle | 3 x separate lockable cubicle |
| Toilet | 3 x separate lockable cubicle | 3 x separate lockable cubicle |
| Viewing area | 50m2 | 50m2 |
| Kitchen/ kiosk | 20m2 | 20m2 |
| Storage | 20m2 | 20m2 |
| Public toilets | 2 x unisex 1 x accessible | 2 x unisex 1 x accessible |
| Umpires' room | Toilet Shower Change space. 20-25 m2 | Toilet Shower Change space. 20-25 m2 |
| Social space | 100m2 (function) | 30m2 (meeting room) |
| Utility | 5m2 min | 5m2 min |
| Meeting room | 15m2 | 15m2 |
| Trainer's room | 15m2 | 15m2 |
| Note – this guidance is taken fr | om the AFL (Australian Football Leag | gue) preferred facility |

guidelines





| Cricket | District Level | Neighbourhood |
|----------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| | Individual cricket facilities within Playford are considered district level, (new or renewed facilities should be designed according to Community Cricket Facility Guidelines) | |
| Oval | As per AFL | |
| Pitch | Synthetic pitches 25-28m long 2.4-2.8m wide | |
| Nets | 3 nets Council to provide portable matting | |
| Clubrooms Kitchen/kiosk | 15-25m2 | |
| Kitchen storage | 8m2 | |
| Social space | 100-150m2 | |
| Change room | 20-30m2 2 WC 2 shower - separate cubicle 2 changerooms per playing fields (match) Accessible toilets | |
| Umpires' room | 1x shower 1 WC | |
| Storage | 30m2 | |
| Shed | 60m2 | |
| Lighting | 100 lux training | |
| Turf cricket | Currently only turf cricket facilities are located at Argana Park. Service provision requires club/users to maintain turf wickets using own resources. Soccer facilities within Playford are considered district level | |
| Sacrat | except Uley Reserve which could be upgradeable to regional and McGilp Reserve which is neighbourhood level. | Noighboughood |
| Soccer | District Minimum 2 nitohoo | Neighbourhood |
| Pitch provision | Minimum 3 pitches. Synthetic pitch consideration. Council to provide fixed goals, with clubs responsible for portable goals. | Neighbourhood – 2 pitches |
| Clubrooms - social space | 100 -150m2 | |





| Changerooms | If over two pitches at least four changerooms should be provided. District 62m2 (home 37m2, away 25m2) Benches and hooks provided in | | |
|--|---|--|--|
| Shower and toilets | changerooms. Home and away – 18m2 each Each 2 wc and 2 shower locked | | |
| Kitchen/kiosk | cubicle 25m2 | | |
| Referees' room | 15m2 one shower and one WC lockable cubicle | | |
| Trainer's room | 15m2 | 15m2 | |
| | Regional | District | |
| Netball | District Level | Neighbourhood | |
| | Argana Park is the major netball facility of regional standard. It will be developed according to the Argana Park Master Plan which includes an upgrade of the facility according to netball Australia Standards. | District netball facilities also exist at Virginia and Angle Vale. | |
| Lighting | 200 lux (regional) | 100 lux (district) | |
| Change room | 25m2 3WC and 1 shower (consult with netball SA) | , | |
| General Provision for all Sport Facility | | | |
| Regional Facilities | | | |
| Regional Facilities - General Guide | provided for according to the description. • Social area for multi-sport sl | Social area for multi-sport shared facilities should be 200m2 if shared otherwise separate facilities adding up | |
| Change rooms | allow expanded use betwee events.Regional level facilities with characteristics for sports and | Regional level facilities with regional catchment characteristics for sports and holding regional events may have larger changerooms 76m2 (home 46m2, away | |



Future directions and implementation

| Lighting | If significant night use particularly night matches, lighting may be upgraded (100 lux for soccer and AFL) or according to sporting guidelines for other sports particularly small ball sports (baseball, softball, cricket). This should be strongly supported by external funding, and club and association support. |
|------------------------------|--|
| Playing fields and amenities | If clubs participate in higher level of competition that requires additional standard of facilities these should predominately be provided through external funding and club and association support. |

Appendices



Appendix one:

Strategic Context



Appendix 1 Strategic Context

1.1 City of Playford

1.1.1 Playford Community Vision 2043

Sport strongly supports the aspirations of the Community Vision, in particular:

- Liveability
 - Connected communities
 - Safe communities
- Happiness
 - Ambitious and proud communities
 - Healthy living
- Prosperity
 - Educated and skilled
 - Community vitality

1.1.2 Strategic Plan 2020-2024

- 1. Improving Safety and Accessibility
 - Ensuring our public spaces, such as parks and playgrounds are safe and accessible for our community.
- 2. Lifting City Appearance including:
 - Growing Pride in the City and making it more liveable, and
 - Maintaining and uplifting the appearance of our parks, reserves and open spaces and verges within our existing resources.
- 3. Connecting with our community and each other-including:
 - Assessing what we do to ensure the design of services and development of infrastructure meets the needs of our community.
- 4. Supporting business and local employment opportunities.
 - Supporting and leveraging the opportunities we have to influence economic growth.
- 5. Using money wisely
 - Including maximising the number and variety of participants using a facility through innovative design.

Appendix one: Strategic Context



1.2 Government of South Australia

1.2.1 South Australia's 20 Year Infrastructure Plan

Relevant objectives from the Infrastructure Plan include:

- Optimise current assets before building new, and
- Make evidence-based planning decisions.

This Plan contains the following priority regarding sport facilities.

Priority 17

"Develop business cases for investment in Sports infrastructure based on strategic need and prioritise multi-use facilities."

These directions affirm the need for evidence (data) based decision making.

1.2.2. Game on – Getting South Australia Moving

Game On is:

'A forward-looking framework that outlines a collaborative approach to ensure physical activity and play can fit seamlessly into the daily lives of South Australians. Game On



also seeks to provide a shared vision and common platform for the sport and recreation sector in South Australia.'

Game on has several targets to increase the activity levels, wellbeing and overall health of South Australians.

Of note for this project is to increase participation of youth in sport (currently 51% in Ausplay) to 55% in 2025 and 59% in 2030.

Game On seeks the following outcomes:

- Affordable sport and recreation opportunities
- Sustainable sport and recreation sector, and
- High Quality, inclusive and accessible sport, and recreation infrastructure.

Recent State Government funding programs have asked applicants to address these outcomes in relation to their project.

1.3 Government of Australia

To achieve the target of building a more active Australia, regarding infrastructure, Sport 2030 (P15) promotes:

'Coordinated investment in sport and recreation facilities to achieve sustainable outcomes for communities, with a focus on universal design to ensure sport is accessible to all Australians.'

Appendix two:

Discussion paper



Appendix 2 Discussion Paper



Sports Facilities Strategy

Discussion Paper

June 2022

Climate change

Over the past 40 years there has been increases in average temperature, evapotranspiration, the number and frequency of very hot days and nights, and the number of extreme fire danger days. Our rainfall patterns have changed and there has been a sea level rise of approximately 18cm.

In order to keep people safe, cool and sheltered these changes will continue to effect where and when we play sport. Climate change will also affect the comfort of our spectators, the quality of our playing surfaces, our use of water and potentially costs to run facilities.

Population characteristics

One in five residents in Playford were born overseas. The largest non-English speaking country of birth for the recent overseas arriving population in City of Playford in 2016 was Afghanistan, where 13.3% or 349 people were born; followed by Butan (10.1%), Nepal (7.6%) and Syria (5.1%). These cultures bring skills and preferences for different sports.

Comparing 2016 to 2011 data, the proportion of younger people in Playford has grown:

- 0-10 years from 11.9% to 16.5%
- 10-20 years from 11.7% to 13.3%
- 20-30years from 13.7% to 15.3%

These age groups are the ones most likely to participate in sport.

In our community there are 7.7% of people with a disability requiring assistance at home. Relative to other councils in metropolitan Adelaide, Playford also has a higher level of disadvantage.

All of these community characteristics need to be considered when planning to provide access to a variety of sporting facilities in a growing community.

Discussion

- · How can Council and clubs respond to changing trends in sport?
- How should Council prioritise which sport and recreation facilities to provide for and upgrade?
- How can we maximise the use of our existing facilities?

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Sports

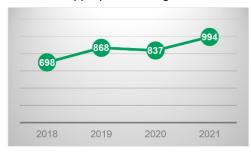
New sports at the 2021 Olympics included:

Skateboarding Freestyle BMX Surfing Sport climbing 3 on 3 Basketball

These sports previously considered novelty, informal or extreme are quickly becoming mainstream and they need new and specific facilities for participants. Some of these facilities will be provided by Councils and some by the private sector. Council needs to explore strategies to address this.

Female Participation

Female participation in sport is growing. Australia's national women's leagues for Soccer, AFL and Cricket are growing and increasing in popularity. This is also reflected through State and club participation data. In Playford, female participation in traditionally 'male sports' (AFL, Cricket, Soccer, Rugby League and Union) is also increasing and not at the expense of sports like softball and netball. Council is faced with the challenge of providing equitable access to playing fields and appropriate change rooms.



City of Playford female participation in traditional male

Population growth

The City of Playford is the fastest growing Council in South Australia with the population expected to grow from 101,274 in 2022 to 149,443 in 2041 (48%).

population Our growth is also accompanied by increasing development not just in one area but on several fronts including Angle Vale, Virginia, Munno Para, Andrews Farm, Blakeview and Eyre.

Ageing facilities

Our longstanding and valued sports facilities also need to be maintained and where appropriate updated to cater for our growth. Like most Councils many of our club and change rooms are 50- 60 plus years old and sporting standards have also changed significantly over this time.

A current trend to provide better facilities and shared experience is to provide shared and multi-use clubrooms.

Regional facilities

In addition to providing for our local clubs, some facilities are planned at a regional level with other councils. For example, Playford has the regional Tennis Centre and the Aquadome, while the City of Salisbury has the regional synthetic athletics track and the home of district cricket in the north.

Appendix two:

Discussion paper





Sports Facility Strategy

Discussion Paper

June 2022

Introduction

The City of Playford has 24 sportsgrounds measuring over 183 hectares in playing fields and courts and catering for approximately 80 clubs. To continue to plan for our rapidly growing community, Council is preparing a new City-Wide Sports Facility Strategy.

Much has been achieved since the last Strategy (2014) including the regional tennis and bowls centres, Eyre Sports Park, Elizabeth Oval Change Rooms and Angle Vale Community Sports Centre (see 2014 Strategy Report Card).

Our population, lifestyles, the way we play sport and participation have also changed significantly since 2014.

Planning for sports facilities

'It is well established that regular physical activity improves physical and mental health, boosts brain activity and brings communities together. (Game On, 2020)'.

Sports facilities are places where people can experience these health benefits and build community connections.

Recent research shows the many benefits of investing in community sport facilities. Some of these benefits include:

- the reduced cost to the community of preventing disease
- the value of wellbeing
- savings to the health system
- the benefits associated with community building
- increased productivity through increased health.

A Queensland study found that for every dollar a Council invests in sports facilities (both indoor and outdoor) \$1.28 of benefit is returned to the community in

benefit. This does not include many benefits that cannot currently be measured in dollar terms (e.g. greening the community). The total annual value is estimated at \$31.2 Million, made up of:



City of Logan and KPMG 2021

Recent changes and trends in sport

With changing patterns of work, including more casual jobs, people are experiencing pressures associated with managing time and finances. People are seeking flexible and individual activities to keep fit noting as an example the rapid increase of 24 hr. gyms over time. Walking, cycling aerobics and yoga are becoming people's go to physical activity due to convenience.

Time pressures have also led to decreased number of volunteers. Yet our sporting clubs remain strong in numbers and are growing with our growing community. We need flexible facilities to cater for a variety of structured and unstructured activities.

Appendix three:

Achievements and gaps



Appendix 3 Achievements and Gaps

| Priority | Statu | 2014 Directions | Achievements | Gaps / future directions | | | |
|--|-------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| | S | Summary | 7.0 | | | | |
| Complete /substantially complete Planning Phase On progress Needs Review | | | | | | | |
| High Playford Regional Sports Precinct | | Master plan as the primary guide 22 court tennis centre Consideration of synthetic hockey pitch | \$20+ million investment including: • Adelaide United Training Centre • Playford Tennis Centre • Playford Bowls Centre • Fitness loop • Elizabeth Oval Change rooms (x3) • Ridley reserve softball backstops and lighting • Lighting of Playford International College AFL oval | Consideration of hockey needs a further regional perspective including schools it is an unlikely fit at this site now Community soccer pitches need to be activated through additional change rooms Indoor stadium investigation (as per masterplan) – first step feasibility study Elizabeth Oval Venue Improvement Plan | | | |
| Argana Park (regional) | | Better connection of facilities Consolidation of some buildings Master plan required Consider relocation of Rugby league | Master plan complete including new lighted pathway connections, improved parking, and shared netball soccer change rooms Fencing and lighting of fields Relocation of rugby League to Eyre Sports Park | Implementation of master plan including traffic and parking issues, consolidation and upgrade of change rooms, path connections and bringing netball courts up to acceptable standard | | | |
| Ramsay Park (district) | • | Consider soccer hub in conjunction with Womma Park Consider options for Patriots including complete relocation or juniors only | Nil | Patriots previously indicated preference not to move to regional precinct Preference to expand into adjacent land Investigate further options and club needs Change rooms below standard | | | |
| Womma Park (district) | Q | See above | | Consider future rugby needs, understanding that they own their own building and associated land at Womma Park | | | |
| Kalara (district) | | Undertake improvements including new | Improvement of facility with sports lighting of entire site | Underutilised for its size and therefore has not warranted | | | |

Appendix three:

Achievements and gaps



| | | م م م م انام علم عا | | improvements suggested to |
|---|---|---|--|---|
| | | consolidated clubrooms, Fitness track and Master plan suggested due to size of facility | | improvements suggested to date Consideration of future use to maximize facility \$1m funding from State Government – focus on new club /change room |
| Angle Vale Community Sports Facility (district) | | Undertake Stage 2 improvements and consider acquiring land for future. | 5 stages now completed Riverbanks College. investment and agreement for overflow and indoor | Monitor use of Riverbanks College Upgrades to main clubrooms wanted by association, in particular social space |
| Medium Priority | | | | |
| Uley Reserve (regional) | * | Support existing uses and in long term improve buildings including viewing areas | Internal refit of change rooms with shower partitions Sportfield lighting complete | Directions still appropriate |
| Mofflin (district) | * | Consolidate buildings Maintain Quality Viewing areas Reduce fencing Flexible community spaces | Upgrade for Mofflin wellbeing park to service medical precinct is funded – includes fence removal and public toilets | Directions still appropriate |
| Dauntsey (district) | Q | Improvements including consolidation of buildings | | Highly utilised multi-sport facility. Further consideration is of boxing club needs, potential shared-use change rooms and future school needs and funding contribution |
| Kooranowa (district) | | Consider relocation of Athletics to Munno Para and establish as a flexible sport facility | Concept plans developed to inform this direction | Reconsider if athletics is a good fit at a multi-use site. Club preference is to remain at Kooranowa and develop that site |
| Virginia Oval (district) | | Building upgradeImprovement to courts and site | Tennis/netball courts have been upgraded | Review need in conjunction with Riverlea demand |
| Broadmeado- ws Oval (neighbourh- ood) | Q | Consider relocation (to Munno Para) and use for other sports | | Reconsider if baseball is really a good fit at a multi- sport complex and club needs |
| Smithfield Reserve | Q | Consolidate change and clubroom | Play space implemented | Directions appropriate |

Appendix three:

Achievements and gaps



| (neighbourho od) | | | | | | | | |
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| Low Priority | | | | | | | | |
| Dwight Reserve (district) | 8 | Upgrade change rooms and provide change rooms for junior oval. | Minor improvements/ maintenance | Change facilities below standard and design /privacy problems need overcoming. Re-evaluate priority | | | | |
| McGilp Reserve (neighbourh- ood) | | Moderate improvementsSealing car park | Master plan completedState Government funding committed | Implement master plan | | | | |
| Growth Areas | | | | | | | | |
| Eyre Sports Park | | Consider uses of Rugby and Soccer | Rugby, Soccer, Cricket, Change/Club room, paths and Play space completed | Monitor change room demand | | | | |
| Andrews Farm | × | Consider AFL, Soccer and Cricket | | Monitor Brookmont development /master planning | | | | |
| Munno Para | | Consider agreement with Mark Oliphant College for use of courts and fields Consider, baseball, athletics soccer and cricket | State Government funding for joint parking/kiss and drop committed – potential stimulus for stage one. | Land transfer Progress staged development and reconsider Athletics and Baseball | | | | |
| Blakes Crossing | | Neighbourhood | Oval completed- use by school and informal rec | Next steps to activate greater use of oval with change room/toilets | | | | |
| Blakeview | × | Consider future additional neighbourhood and district sportsgrounds | | Future Land ReleaseMonitor development staging and master planning | | | | |
| Riverlea (Buckland Park) | | Consider two District and one regional sportsfield | Supply and demand analysis reviewed and indicative uses for sport | Monitor development staging and master planning Liaise with Education Systems for shared-use | | | | |



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