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Dear Dave

Extracts of Bunbury-Wellington Sports Facilities Plan

In reference to the request from Ms Marina Quain seeking information pertaining the Bunbury-Wellington Sports Facilities Plan, the following is extracts of this document that are relevant to Bunbury Basketball Association (BBA) and the South West Sports Centre (SWSC).

In summary, this document incorporates the Local Government areas of Bunbury, Capel, Collie, Dardanup, Donnybrook-Balingup and Harvey. It is an over-arching document that incorporates local planning documents, providing a snapshot of sports facility infrastructure and considers growth patterns and potential future facility requirements.

This plan was completed in November 2013 and is a guide to future opportunities and aims to provide Local Government with supporting information to assist with provision of facilities across all forms of sport and recreation across the sub-regional area. There are no plans for this document to be reviewed or updated in the near future.

Specific to BBA, the following has been extracted:

Page 9, point 7

- With regards to sports facility recommendations, basketball was listed as needing further investigation to ensure all of the indoor facilities within the region are developed in a coordinated fashion.

Page 15, point 2 | Page 56, section 8.1.10

- As the SWSC has the highest potential to contribute to the economic growth of sports in the region, the facility's indoor sporting infrastructure should be viewed as a priority to cater for the attraction of major sporting events.
- Redevelopment of current facility infrastructure should be supported and endorsed, such as SWSC, as it is vital to regional sport and recreation.

Page 43, Basketball, Issues/Opportunities/Comments

- The State Basketball League (SBL) team, SW Slammers currently play at Eaton Rec Centre after previously being based at SWSC. The report recommends that the SWSC should be used to host the SBL while the Eaton Rec Centre should focus on the sports development growth.



- SW Slammers as well as elite basketball programs should be based out of the SWSC.
- The report states that there are currently 10 LGA controlled indoor basketball courts between Leschenault, Eaton and Bunbury. There is a possibility to extend this to 15 courts by adding another 2 courts at Eaton Rec Centre and 3 courts at the SWSC. "There is a need to prioritise the development of this infrastructure to ensure that all centres maintain and generate sufficient level of income"

Page 66, section 2.7, Implementation Plan for Basketball

- Recommendation is that further investigation is needed to ensure that all indoor facilities within the district are developed in a coordinated fashion.
- Justification is that there have been proposals to develop additional courts at both Eaton Rec Centre and SWSC.
- The future development and use of indoor space is to be agreed upon by the LGAs. The SWSC is ranked first in the suggested hierarchy of provision. "Regional level provision for state level competition but is subject to the SWSC masterplan."
- The responsibility lies with the district's LGAs, to be delivered on a short/medium timeframe with a high priority.
- KPI's include the hierarchy of provision agreed upon, determination of appropriate levels for regional competition and identification of the capacity issues and opportunities to coordinate the club development across all indoor facilities.

Other relevant Items:

Page 16, section 3.1.3, point 3| Page 52, Section 8.16

- The plan identifies that the dual use school facilities by community groups should be adopted.

Page 20, point 4

- Basketball participation rates has remained static.

Page 27, point 3

- The co-location of facilities can more efficiently meet the needs of the community.

Page 30, section 5.1.2, point 6

- The use of facilities for multiple functions should be utilised.

As mentioned, this document covers a wide range of activities from traditional sports like basketball through to outdoor recreation opportunities across the 6 separate Local Government Authorities. It provides the platform for those relevant Local Governments to plan future facility needs.

I hope this satisfies the request of your Association.

Yours sincerely

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