

MINUTES

Sports Advisory Committee

held at

Council Administration Centre Committee Room 180 Mort Street, Lithgow

on

Wednesday 10 April 2024

at 5:30 PM

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The Chairperson declared the meeting open at 5:32 pm.

1. Acknowledgement of Country

The Chair acknowledged Wiradjuri Elders past and present of the Wiradjuri nation - the original custodians of the land on which the Lithgow's communities reside and extended respect to our neighbouring nations.

2. Present

| Councillor Maree Statham | Mayor |
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| Councillor Almundena | Chair |
| Richard Marjoram | Lithgow Basketball Association |
| Mark Fordham | Lithgow District Football |
| Romesh Kamalaharan | Wallerawang Indoor Sports Association |
| Peter Morris | Lithgow Workies Wolves |
| Eric Mahony | Lithgow Workies Wolves |
| Robyn Millar | Lithgow Hockey Association |
| Suzy Morris | Lithgow Storm JRL |
| Eric Wood | Lithgow Swimming Club |
| Mark McAulay | Lithgow Table Tennis |
| Cassandra Coleman | Lithgow Netball Association |
| Dominic Smith | Lithgow Workies Soccer Club |
| Nigel Llyod | Lithgow District Football Association |
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Officers:

| David Anderson | Buildings and Recreation Facilities Manager |
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| Trish Haynes | Recreation Works Coordinator |
| Kaitlin Cibulka | Minutes |

3. Apologies

| Danny Whitty | Reg Cowden Trust |
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| Robyn Whitty | Reg Cowden Trust |

4. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the Sports Advisory Committee held 14th February 2024 were presented to Council on 25th March 2024.

ACTION

THAT the Minutes of the meeting of be taken as read and confirmed.

MOVED: R Marjoram

SECONDED: M Fordham

5. Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made.

6. Financial Assistance Requests

6.1. Financial Assistance Requests

A request for financial assistance has been received from *Taj Jenkins* after his selection in the Australian Team to compete at College Basketball Competition in the USA. It is recommended that Council provide *Taj Jenkins* with \$500.00 toward the cost of participating, as participation will see *Taj* representing Lithgow in Basketball.

It should also be noted that 3x requests were received and were expedited to a Council meeting to ensure that the recipients received the funding prior to them competing. Council endorsed the following at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 25th March 2024.

| Alexander Evans | Swimming – 2024 Australian Aged Championships held on the Gold Coast – April 2024 | Provided \$300.00 |
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| Charlie Evans | Swimming – 2024 Australian Aged Championships held on the Gold Coast – April 2024 | Provided \$300.00 |
| The Cream Team | Basketball - 2024 National 3x3 Championships held in Western Australia March 2024 | Provided \$300.00 |

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- Budget approved \$2,500.00
- **Cost centre –** 800158 Governance Section 356 Donations & Contributions

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council provide Taj Jenkins with \$500.00 toward the cost of participating in the College Basketball Competitions in the USA.

MOVED: S Morris

SECONDED: R Millar

7. LJ Hooker Reg Cowden Memorial Sports Star of the Year Awards

7.1. LJ Hooker Reg Cowden Memorial Sports Star of the Year Awards

SUMMARY

JUNIORS

There were no written Junior nominations for the month of *December 2023 / January 2024* received.

There were no written Junior nominations for the month of *February 2024* received.

Junior nominations for the month of *March 2024* were received from:

Automatic Nomination – Financial Assistance Recipient

• The Cream Team - (Basketball) - 3 locals Jai McMillan & Jai Simcoe and Riley George competed in a team competed in the 3x3 Junior National Championships held in Western Australia on 29th & 30th March 2024. Update on performance is yet to be received.

Floor Nomination - Elka Lee (Basketball) competed also in the 3x3 national championships held in Western Australia in March 2024

It was noted that the cream team had a one member that was not a local therefore making the team ineligible for the monthly award. The committee decided to award the individuals being Jai McMillan , Jai Simcoe and Elka Lee

SENIORS

There were no written Senior nominations for the month of

- December 2023/January 2024
- February 2024
- March 2024

ACTION

THAT The 2024 LJ Hooker Reg Cowden Memorial Junior Sports Star of the Year Award for March 2024 be awarded to Jai McMillian , Jai Simcoe and Elka Lee (Basketball).

MOVED: P Morris

SECONDED: S Morris

8. Booking Requests

SUMMARY

The following bookings were received and do not conflict with any other approved bookings.

Blast Furnace Park

- Walk N Talk Saturday 4th May 2024
- Lithglow Saturday 11th May 2024
- Walk N Talk Saturday 1st June 2024
- Walk N Talk Saturday 6th July 2024
- Walk N Talk Saturday 3rd August 2024
- Walk N Talk Saturday 7th September 2024
- Walk N Talk Saturday 5th October 2024
- Walk N Talk Saturday 2nd November 2024
- Walk N Talk Saturday 7th December 2024

Conran Oval

• No Bookings

Glanmire Oval

• No bookings

Jim Monaghan Oval

- Cooerwull Public School Cross Country Thursday 28th March 2024 9am to 3pm Backup Date – 5th April 2024
- Cooerwull Public School Athletics Training Wednesday 10th April 2024 11:00am to 3:00pm
- Cooerwull Public School Athletics Training Wednesday 1st May 2024 11:00am to 3:00pm
- Zig Zag Public School Athletics Carnival Friday 3rd May 9:00am to 3:00pm
- Lithgow Public School Athletics Carnival Tuesday 7th May 8:30am to 3:30pm
- Cooerwull Public School Athletics Carnival Friday 10th May 2024 9am to 3pm Back up date 14th May 2024
- Hampton Public School Athletics Carnival Thursday 16th May 2024 8:30am to 3:30pm
- St Patricks Primary School Athletics Carnival Friday 17th May 2024 9:00am to 3:00pm Back Up Date 31st May 2024
- La Salle Academy Athletics Carnival Friday 24th May 2024 8am to 3:30pm

Kremer Park

- Portland Central School Athletics Carnival Thursday 16th May 2024 8:00am to 4:00pm
- Reopening of Kremer Park Grandstand Saturday 1st June 2024
- Portland RSL Sub Branch Swap Meet –27th October 2024

Lake Wallace

- St Patricks Primary School Cross Country Friday 5th April 2024 9:00am to 3:00pm Backup Date Tuesday 9th April 2024
- Wedding Event Saturday 21st September 2024 10:00am to 8:00pm

Marjorie Jackson Oval

• 2024 Soccer Season – 1st April 2024 to 30th September 2024

Saville Park

- Creative Community Concepts Tuesday 16th April 2024 1pm to 3pm
- Creative Community Concepts Tuesday 30th April 2024 4pm to 5pm
- Creative Community Concepts Tuesday 7th May 2024 4pm to 5pm
- Creative Community Concepts Tuesday 14th May 2024 4pm to 5pm
- Creative Community Concepts Tuesday 21st May 2024 4pm to 5pm
- Creative Community Concepts Tuesday 28th May 2024 4pm to 5pm
- Creative Community Concepts Tuesday 4th June 2024 4pm to 5pm

Tony Luchetti

- Cooerwull Public School Cross Country Friday 5th April 2024 9:00am to 3:00pm
- Cooerwull Public School Athletics Carnival Friday 10th May 2024 9am to 3pm
- St Patricks Primary School Athletics Carnival Friday 17th May 2024 9:00am to 3:00pm Back Up Date 31st May 2024
- Lithgow Ute Show Saturday 9th November 2024 7:00am to 5:00pm

Wallerawang Oval

• Wallerawang Junior Rugby League – Trainings – Thursday & Fridays -4pm to 6pm April to September

Watsford Oval

- Lithgow High School Sporting Event Wednesday 3rd & Thursday 4th April 2024 9am to 3pm
- Creative Community Concept Events
 - \circ 16th April 2024
 - o 5th June 2024
 - $\circ \quad 12^{th} \, June \, 2024$
 - \circ 19th June 2024
- Lithgow Public School Cricket Match Friday 3rd May 2024 9:00am to 3:00pm

Zig Zag Oval

• No bookings

ACTION

THAT All bookings detailed in Item 7 be noted.

MOVED: R Millar

SECONDED: M Fordham

9. New Members

SUMMARY

- Correspondence has been received from *Lithgow Workmens Senior Soccer Club* advising of a change in Sports Advisory Committee delegates, being Dominic Smith.
- Correspondence has been received from *Lithgow Swimming Club* advising of a change in Sports Advisory Committee delegates, being Eric Wood.
- Correspondence has been received from *Lithgow District Soccer Association* advising of a change in the Sports Advisory Committee delegates being Shane Milne and Nigel Llyod
- Correspondence has been received from *Lithgow District Netball Association* advising of a change in the Sports Advisory Committee delegates being Cassandra Coleman and Stephanie Rochester

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

THAT

- 1. Council accept Dominic Smith the Sports Advisory Committee representatives from *Lithgow Workmens Senior Soccer Club; and*
- 2. Council accept Eric Wood as the Sports Advisory Committee representatives from *Lithgow Swimming Club; and*
- 3. Council accept Shane Milne and Nigel Llyod as the Sports Advisory Committee representatives from *Lithgow District Soccer*.
- 4. Council accept Cassandra Coleman and Stephanie Rochester as the Sports Advisory Committee representatives from *Lithgow District Netball*.

MOVED: S Morris

SECONDED: R Marjoram

10. General Business

Turf 3 – Tony Luchetti Sportsground

A request was received by Council from the Lithgow Storm in relation to the removal of the Turf # 3 at Tony Luchetti Sportsground to have a dedicated football field (Field 3) all year round. The Lithgow Storm have approached both junior and senior Cricket about this matter and they have supported this request for the removal of Turf #3. It should be advised that Council has no objection to the request and has been brought to the committee for noting. The committee should also be advised that once the turf has been removed, it is unlikely that Council would have funding to reinstall if requested in the future. This particular turf wicket has been redundant for a number of years.

The committee raised no issues with this.

Kremer Park – Grandstand Renaming

24 -55 RESOLVED

THAT the proposal to name the Kremer Park Grandstand to the "Gary (Snag) Taylor Grandstand" be placed on public exhibition for 28 days and in the event of no objections that the Grandstand is named after "Gary (Snag) Taylor".

MOVED: Councillor S Ring SECONDED: Councillor C Coleman

This matter has been placed on the agenda for comment/feedback from the committee as part of the community consultation process.

The committee noted this proposal with no issues raised.

Lithgow Show Society - Successful Grant Funding - PA System

Lithgow Show Representative - Lauren Elkins (on behalf of Greg Allchin) advised the committee that the show committee were recently successful in gaining a grant from the Ag Society under the Community Future Grants for a new PA system for the Tony Luchetti Showgrounds. The show committee have been awarded \$25,000 for new system to be installed in the precinct. It was discussed that a working party be formed with users of the precinct to come together to find a suitable system that covers all users' needs and this working group may also assist with apply for other grant programs. Contact details will be emailed around to members to contact the show society to be involved in this working party.

Graffiti - Tony Luchetti Showground

Lauren Elkins also raised that there is a small shed near the trotting sheds, internally is covered graffiti. It was noted that this particular building shouldn't have been used as there are works required. Council to investigate and work with users about reinstating this shed.

Wallerawang Indoor Sports Centre

Romesh Kamalaharan raised 3 matters the WISA committee wanted to raise with Council:

- Alternate Access to the Site as the current access is through the school.

- Seeking Sponsorship from local business to subsidise users fees to be financially viable to run the centre. Would require Council approval for signage to be installed within the centre to advertise local business who are providing sponsorship.

- The committee are looking at grants for solar power / batteries and with this need to know if the building can cater for panels.

David Anderson to work with the committee about the above mentioned matters.

Netball

Cassandra Coleman thanked Council for the recent upgrade of the outdoor courts that have been great for Spring Comps and School Galas. It was noted that the Netball Winter comp is commencing on 5th May 2024. The committee also noted that the association are working well with the WISA centre management.

Hockey

Robyn Millar noted that the new fencing is being installed and raised concerns about security whilst the works are being carried out and access for premier league training / comp. David Anderson advised that extra security patrols will be carried out and access will still remain for users during this period. Works are expected to be completed in 3 weeks.

Basketball

Richard Marjoram advised the committee that there was no notification to the community about having a large cement truck parking in the Basketball parking area to carry out works on the Women's Shed development. This matter was raised with Jonathon Edgecombe at the time it occurred. The administration will contact the developer to discuss this matter.

Richard also requested that Council look at the feasibility of a pedestrian crossing near the basketball stadium / skate park. There is a concern with the high flow of traffic and pedestrians in the area. It was advised that this matter would need to be referred to the Traffic Committee for investigation.

Soccer

Mark Fordham asked about the progress of the feasibility study as there has been no contact with the committee about a walkthrough of facilities as previously discussed. David Anderson advised that he will follow this up with the consultant.

Nigel Llyod advised that the change rooms at the soccer field are in need of maintenance as they are not to a usable standard. It was noted that the doors on the shower cubicles were off their hinges and the facilities require cleaning as there are mold spores. David Anderson advised that he will further investigate this matter.

Rugby League

Suzy Morris asked when the Women's Shed Development is expected to be completed as there is little parking in the precinct and its coming into the rugby league season. Administration will investigate the expected completion date and will provide advice back to the committee.

11. Meeting Close

Next Meeting: Wednesday 12th June 2024 at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers There being no further business the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 6:15pm.