

**ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
14 SEPTEMBER 2009**

9	COMMUNITY FACILITY FUNDING (SPORT AND RECREATION) PROGRAM 2010/2011 – MINOR FACILITIES
LOCATION/ADDRESS:	VARIOUS
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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report presents Council with the applications received in response to the Department of Community Planning and Development's Community Facility Funding Program under the Minor Facilities Category.
- 1.2 The submissions are due by 17 September 2009

2. RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 2.1 Submits three applications to the Department of Community Development and Planning's Minor Facilities Program being for the following projects:
 - 2.1.1 Installation of Female change and disability access to Murphy Reserve Pavilion (Port Melbourne Colts Football Club)
 - 2.1.2 Development of toilets and change areas at St Kilda Sports Club (St Kilda City Sports Club)
 - 2.1.3 Improvements to disability access to the Stuart King Pavilion
- 2.2 Notes that officers will require further detailed costing and confirmation of funding from clubs for each of the above projects prior to a final decision of Council to proceed in the 2010/11 year.
- 2.3 Notifies the applicable clubs that their projects are being forwarded to Department of Community Development and Planning for consideration and that Council will consider its funding contribution as part of the 2010 / 11 Budget and Service Planning Process.

3. BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT

- 3.1 Council last considered this matter at the 10 August 2009 Ordinary Meeting of Council in a report that outlined the application process for the Minor Facilities Category.
- 3.2 All sporting clubs were written to and provided with an application form to return to Council by 17 August 2009.
- 3.3 Four applications were received by the closing date and assessed against the selection criteria provided by Sport and Recreation Victoria.

4 CONSULTATION AND STAKEHOLDERS

- 4.1 All community sporting clubs were written to and asked to submit applications by 17 August.
- 4.2 Parks and Open Space and Asset Services were consulted to see if the City of Port Phillip also had any projects which met the guidelines.

5. DISCUSSION

5.1 OPTIONS

- 5.1.1 The applications received by Council have been assessed by officers against the funding criteria supplied by the Department of Community Development and Planning.
- 5.1.2 The funding criteria is outlined and weighted as follows by DPCD:
 - 5.1.2.1 Why – 20% - response to need and alignment with planning and policy
 - 5.1.2.2 How – 20% - environmental considerations, ability to complete in timeframe
 - 5.1.2.3 Who – 10% - evidence of stakeholder support, managed by qualified team
 - 5.1.2.4 What – 50% - increases participation, improves quality, maximises multi-use, access for disadvantaged groups.

5.1.3 The following proposed ranking of projects in order of best fit with criteria based on officers assessment of the projects:

Applicant	Project	Ranking	Club contribution	Council Contribution Request	Grant Request	Total Project Cost
St Kilda Sports Club	Construction of new toilet and change facilities including accessible toilet and shower at St Kilda Sports Club	1	\$0	\$45,460	\$45,460	\$90,920
Port Melbourne Bowling Club	Resurfacing green	2	\$0	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$50,000
Port Melbourne Colts Football Club	Fit out and improvements to Murphy Reserve pavilion for better female change facilities, storage, medical use and disability access.	3	\$0	\$180,000	\$60,000	\$240,000
Elwood Sailing Club	Purchase of boats for Training Squad	4	\$26,710	\$0	\$26,710	\$53,420
Powerhouse	Disability access to Stuart King Pavilion	5	\$30,000	\$0	\$30,000	\$60,000

5.1.4 Sport and Recreation Victoria have indicated that the project submitted by Elwood Sailing Club does not meet the eligibility criteria as it is for the purchase of equipment rather than facility development. Officers will pursue other more appropriate funding sources to support this project.

5.1.5 Sport and Recreation Victoria have indicated that the Port Melbourne Bowling Club Project will also be eligible under their Drought Relief Funding Program due to be announced in September. It is the intention of officers to submit this project under the drought relief funding at that time.

5.2 ALIGNMENT TO COUNCIL PLAN

5.2.1 The Council Plan contains the following relevant actions:

- Build an active and Creative Community (Strategy 3.2.1)
- Ensure Open Spaces support active communities through integrated planning and sustainable management (Strategy 4.1.3)

5.3 POLICY IMPLICATIONS PLAN

5.3.1 The proposed applications are in accordance with existing Council policy, specifically the Sport and Recreation Strategy 2008 and the Open Space Strategy 2006.

5.4 FINANCE / RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

5.4.1 Should any of the recommended applications be successful Council will need to allocate its contribution to the projects through the 2010/2011 budget process.

- in the case of Port Melbourne Colts this would be \$180,000
- in the case of St Kilda Sports Club this would be \$45,460
- in the case of Powerhouse this would be \$0

5.5 LEGAL & RISK IMPLICATIONS

5.5.1 There are no known risks or legal implications arising from the recommendations in this report.

6. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

6.1 TIMELINE

6.1.1 Complete and submit three applications for Minor Facilities Grants by 17 September 2009.

6.1.2 Announcements of successful funding applications will occur in December 2009 and March 2010.

6.1.3 The receipt of funding will occur in the 2010 / 11 Financial year which is the point at which Council will be required to make any agreed commitment to funding.

6.2 COMMUNICATION

- 6.2.1 All applicants under the Minor Facilities Category will be advised of the outcome of their application via direct mail including the reasons for the decision.
- 6.2.2 Key messages are that the City of Port Phillip is an Active and Creative City and that the provision and development of good facilities is important in encouraging participation and ensuring a positive experience.
- 6.2.3 Council is providing it's 'in-principle' support for these projects and will consider the viability and compatibility of each project as part of the 2010/11 budget process.

7. OFFICER DIRECT OR INDIRECT INTEREST

- 7.1 No officers involved in the preparation of this report have any direct or indirect interest in the matter.