

# Addendum to Item: 8.2

## **Local Sports Infrastructure Fund 2022 grant proposals**

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ATTACHMENTS Nil

### **REVISED OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

#### That Council:

- 1. Endorses the following projects to be submitted under the 2021-22 Local Sports Infrastructure Fund:
  - 1.1 Eastern Reserve netball courts surface upgrades and installation of spectator grandstand seating, to be submitted under the Local Sports Infrastructure Fund Community Facilities Stream, seeking a State Government grant of \$117,068 and including a Council contribution of up to \$50,000.
  - 1.2 Elliminyt Recreation Reserve oval lighting upgrades, including a power upgrade, to be submitted under the Local Sports Infrastructure Fund Community Sports Lighting Stream, seeking a State Government grant of \$250,000 and including a Council contribution of up to \$200,000.
- 2. Notes that further community consultation for the Elliminyt Recreation Reserve oval lighting upgrades is currently being undertaken to meet the requirements of the Local Sports Infrastructure Fund program guidelines, and that any feedback on the project (concluding 3 February 2022) will be provided to all Councillors.
- 3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to submit applications for the endorsed projects to the 2021-22 Local Sports Infrastructure Fund at their discretion, subject to having considered community feedback to the Elliminyt Recreation Reserve oval lighting upgrades.
- 4. Notes that any community members or groups who provide feedback to the Elliminyt Recreation Reserve oval lighting upgrades will be advised of the outcome of point 3.
- 5. Subject to the application(s) being successful, pre-allocates funds to meet its contributions to the successful projects in the 2022-23 Budget.

### **Further information regarding current community consultation**

The Elliminyt Recreation Reserve oval lighting upgrade project is a key priority in the Elliminyt Recreation Reserve Master Plan, finalised in 2018 following extensive community consultation.

Whilst the project had full community support based on the master planning process, Sport and Recreation Victoria (SRV) has very recently introduced new engagement requirements for the Local Sports Infrastructure Fund whereby applicants need to provide evidence of project-specific community consultation where there is a potential foreseeable impact on residential or community amenity (real or perceived). The recently released Guidance Note from SRV specifically mentions the upgrade of sports lighting as projects that potentially have amenity impact and require specific community consultation.

In line with SRV's requirements, officers are currently undertaking engagement with residents in the immediate vicinity of the Elliminyt Recreation Reserve, as well as key reserve user groups.

This consultation has taken the form of a direct-mailed letter, Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) and a brief online survey which has the dual purpose of providing background information and an opportunity for respondents to provide feedback. In all communication, it has been highlighted that upgraded lighting will achieve less lighting spill into private properties than what currently exists.

This engagement is in addition to the extensive engagement undertaken as part of the development of the Elliminyt Recreation Reserve masterplan in 2018, during which there was no opposition expressed relating to proposed lighting upgrades.

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