


Community Development Report

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Applicant	Dalkeith Nedlands Bowling Club
Officer	Anthony Minchin – Senior Community Development Officer Marion Granich – Manager Community Development
Director	Michael Cole – Director Corporate and Strategy
Director Signature	
File Reference	CMS/505
Previous Item	PD48.12 Final Endorsement of the DC Cruickshank Master Plan – 27 November 2012

Executive Summary

A funding request from Dalkeith Nedlands Bowling Club has been received by the City. The club has requested funding for preliminary works required to be undertaken before they are eligible to apply for an upcoming Community Sport and Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF) grant. The club intends to apply for a CSRFF grant in September 2014, to upgrade their premises, in accordance with the approved David Cruickshank Master Plan.

Recommendation to Committee

Council approves a grant of \$10,000 to the Dalkeith Nedlands Bowling Club for preliminary works and a concept design, as preparation towards a CSRFF application.

Strategic Plan

KFA: Community Development

Building community partnerships and enhancing the community's capacity to meet its own needs by supporting local community organisations and sporting clubs.

The City's Strategic Recreation Plan identifies six major sporting reserves as priority areas for sporting facility development. The David Cruickshank Reserve is one of these priority reserves. Therefore this project is consistent with priorities identified in the City's Strategic Recreation Plan.

Background

The Dalkeith Nedlands Bowling Club was first formed in 1948 and the first two greens planted on the then Point Resolution Reserve in September that year. The club's official opening occurred in November 1950, with proceedings attended by the club president Dr A.P. Davis and Paul Hasluck, MHR.

The Dalkeith Nedlands Bowling Club is located on the David Cruickshank Reserve. It currently has 360 active members, of which approximately 55% are City of Nedlands residents. There are five greens in regular use as well as clubhouse facilities. The club prides itself on delivering sport and recreation as well as catering for a wide range of community uses. The club leases their facility from Council.

On 27 November 2012, Council approved the David Cruickshank Reserve Master Plan. The aim of this Master Plan is to provide for coordinated development on the reserve, with a focus on providing recreational facilities that meet the long term needs of the current and future users. The Dalkeith Nedlands Bowling Club participated actively in the development of this Master Plan, which recommended substantial renovation of the club's current premises.

The purpose of the Community Sport and Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF) is to provide State Government financial assistance to community groups and local government authorities, to develop basic infrastructure for sport and recreation. The program aims to increase participation in sport and recreation, with an emphasis on physical activity, through rational development of sustainable, good quality, well-designed and well-utilized facilities. The maximum standard CSRFF grant from the Department of Sport and Recreation will be no greater than one-third of the total estimated cost (excluding GST) of the applicant's project. The club and local government authority contribute the remaining two-thirds of the cost of the project.

Key Relevant Previous Council Decisions:

Final Endorsement of the DC Cruickshank Master Plan – 27 November 2012. The Master Plan is the guiding document for future development on the David Cruickshank reserve.

Consultation

Required by legislation:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Required by City of Nedlands policy:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

This funding request has been generated by the Dalkeith Nedlands Bowling Club. The City has liaised closely with the Club in response to this request.

Council Policy

Council Policy Subsidies and Donations – Capital Development Grants to Sporting Clubs and Community Organisations has associated guidelines which state that:

- Priority will be given to sporting clubs and community groups located on reserves managed by the City of Nedlands.
- Priority will be given to projects identified in the City’s Recreation Plan.
- Priority will be given to those sporting clubs and community organisations that can demonstrate that they are sustainable e.g. financial and membership.
- Priority will be given to those sporting clubs and community organisations that also receive financial support from other funding bodies (e.g. Department of Sport and Recreation’s CSRFF).
- To facilitate the ‘intent’ of the policy Council shall give a higher priority to capital development projects that are designed to be used by more than one group or club, particularly where such bodies are not now sharing premises.
- Projects must be of a capital nature and financial assistance will not be provided for operational or maintenance purposes.
- The level of support will be based upon the benefit the project will provide to the City of Nedlands community. This will include, but not be limited to, resident membership (total and proportional), support for junior sport, and level of community access.
- The City of Nedlands will always retain the right not to provide funding in response to funding applications.

Budget/Financial Implications

Within current approved budget: Yes No
 Requires further budget consideration: Yes No

In the current financial year’s budget, Council approved \$100,000 for expenditure on CSRFF grants to sporting clubs. Of this amount \$30,535 remains unspent. There are no further CSRFF funding rounds in the current financial year. Therefore, approving this grant can be achieved within the current financial years approved budget.

Risk Management

The main risk of not supporting this funding request is the Club may not be able to complete works required to be undertaken before they can apply for CSRFF Funding. Consequently, The Club may not be in a position to apply for a CSRFF grant from the Department of Sport and Recreation in the 2014/15 financial year.

Discussion

On 21 January 2014 a letter from the Dalkeith Nedlands Bowling Club was received requesting that Council considers the co-funding of various essential works needing to be undertaken by the Club to enable the development of a quality CSRFF grant application to upgrade their clubhouse and green facilities.

The works required to be undertaken in preparation for submitting a CSRFF application in 2014/15 include:

- Electrical Compliance Report
- Essential electrical works (Urgent)
- A Building Construction and Audit Report

- Concept Design drawings sufficient for the intended CSRFF application
- Costing of the works shown in the Concept Design.

Summary of Current Costs of this Project:

Costs of high priority remedial electrical works	\$ 2,800
Costs of reports and drawings	\$ 17,564
Total	<u>\$ 20,364</u>

These works need to be undertaken before the club can submit a CSRFF application to the Department of Sport and Recreation in September 2014.

The Club has requested \$13,756 from Council (2/3 of the total \$20,364 required for this project). While the club has requested that Council contribute 2/3 of the cost of this project, it is recommended that a Council contribution of \$10,000 is appropriate in this instance, with both the club and the City approaching this project on an approximately equal basis.

It is recommended that Council approve this funding request, on the following basis:

- Undertaking this project is necessary preparation that will enable the Club to submit a quality funding application to DSR in the 2014/15 financial year.
- A key strategic priority for Council is the upgrade of its stock of aged sporting facilities.
- The D C Cruickshank Master Planning process considered various options for upgrading this reserve and recommended the option of renovating the bowling club's facility rather than replacing it, as the most cost-effective option. This option was supported by the Club.
- As well as contributing to the physical activity levels, this facility is also used by a wide range of community groups and organisations, thereby providing a wider community benefit beyond the physical health benefits.
- With close to 200 City of Nedlands residents who are active members of the Club, an upgrade of this facility will provide a direct benefit to the local community.
- While there is little benefit to junior sport because of the type of sporting activity, two other community benefit factors should be noted. Firstly, the Club has in the past run activities aimed at involving younger members of the community; and secondly, the Club is a major contributor to health, fitness and well-being for seniors, which can be expected to be an issue of increasing importance, given the aging population and associated health issues.

Conclusion

Therefore it is recommended that Council approves a grant of \$10,000 to the Dalkeith Bowling Club for essential works to be undertaken before a quality CSRFF application to the Department of Sport and Recreation can be submitted in 2014/15.

Attachments

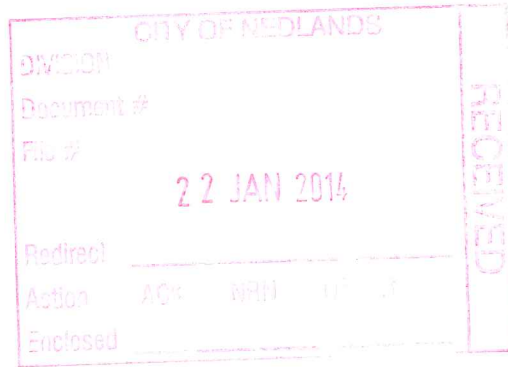
- Attachment 1 - Letter from Dalkeith Nedlands Bowling Club



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21 January 2014

Mr Greg Trevaskis
CEO
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Dear Greg

We request that the City of Nedlands give due consideration to the co-funding of the costs of various essential works that the Dalkeith Nedlands Bowling Club Inc. (DNBC) has needed to undertake to enable us to develop a quality CSRFF grant application for the upgrading of the DNBC clubhouse and greens facilities.

To date the DNBC has funded:

- An Electrical Compliance Report on the building electrics conducted by Boss Electrical, office at 1/30 Howson Way, Bibra Lake 6164 at a cost of \$400 + GST.
- Essential high priority electrical works (as identified in the Boss Electrical Report) completed by Universal Electro Tech, PO Box 6453 East Perth 6892 completed at a cost of \$2800 + GST.
- A Building Construction & Audit Report conducted by JMG Building Surveyors , office at Unit 1/85, Corner Queens Rd, Mt Pleasant 6153 at a cost of \$3800 + GST.
- Completion of "Concept Design" drawings sufficient for the submission of a CSRFF grant application, by Pandal & Neille, office at 5 Northwood St, West Leederville WA 6007 at a cost of \$12,364 + GST.
- Costing of the Concept Design drawings by Construction Cost Consultants Ralph Beattie Bosworth (RBB) office at 12 Kings Park Rd, West Perth WA 6005 at a cost of \$2000 + GST.

Summary of DNBC expenditure to date:

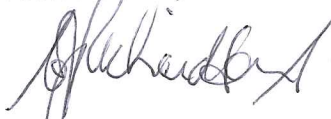
Costs of various reports and drawings	\$17,564
Costs of high priority remedial electrical works	\$ 2800
Total	\$20,364



Given the general tone of discussions over the past couple of years in regard to any proposed re development of club facilities on the DC Cruickshank Reserve has been that clubs should fund 1/3 of the cost of works, we respectfully request that Council consider contributing \$13,756 of the \$20,364 committed to date by DNBC in preparation for the submission of a CSRFF grant application, in 2014, to help fund various works that are required to ensure that the DNBC is well placed to satisfy the facility needs of bowlers and the wider community over the next 25 years.

We look forward to your positive response to our request.

Yours sincerely



Chris Richardson
Chair
DNBC Strategic Planning Committee