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Frequently Asked Questions

Bayview Secondary College Sports Precinct Master Plan



WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

A hub of community sports facilities is being planned at Bayview Secondary College. These facilities will provide for the school during school hours and serve the growing Clarence Plains community and across to Howrah outside of school hours. A draft plan has been prepared for community comment.

WHY HAS THE MASTER PLAN BEEN PREPARED AND WHAT WILL BE THE BENEFIT?

Additional indoor and outdoor facilities are required in Clarence Plains and Howrah as there is population growth and limited availability of land for sport.

The Bayview Secondary College site will be the principal focus for any new sports facilities in Clarence Plains.

The proposed sports facilities will encourage residents to be more active, get involved in sport and provide

opportunities for students to develop sports skills and connect with local clubs.

This development will provide benefits for the school, the students, local sports clubs, and the community. It will also provide a social and sports hub for Clarence Plains.

WHAT ARE THE PRIORITY FACILITIES TO BE INCLUDED?

An indoor sports stadium for basketball, netball and a range of other sports are proposed, in addition to a dedicated gymnastic centre, two Australia rules football grounds and a football/soccer pitch.

The proposed sports facilities will:

- Provide local standard facilities suitable for school, junior club and foundation level sports, and a pathway to club and regional competitions elsewhere.





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- Provide multiple playing surfaces without fences to increase adaptability and allow for carnivals and club competitions.
- Provide for local and junior rectangular code and oval sports.
- Include both indoor and outdoor sports, basketball and netball.
- Include a dedicated space for gymnastics.
- Include a potential site for a future tennis facility, should it be required in the long term.

A perimeter exercise trail around the college site will connect to the rivulet track and adjacent residential areas.

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST TO BUILD?

The proposed development is estimated to cost in the order of \$35 million.

Key components of the precinct include an indoor sports centre (\$25.7 million), outdoor playing surfaces (\$4.7 million), site works and car parking (\$3.7 million) and a perimeter circuit trail (\$2 million).

The estimated probable costs include design, construction contingencies and fees.

Considerable external funding, in addition to council budget, is required to develop the precinct.

In its 2021 state election campaign, the Liberal Government promised \$8 million toward the planning, design and construction of the precinct.

HOW WILL THE SITE BE MANAGED?

It is envisaged that the role and responsibilities associated with the facilities will become the nature of an agreement between the Education Department, Bayview Secondary College, Clarence City Council, and one or more peak sporting bodies.

Council could become the manager of the outdoor playing fields and indoor sports courts outside school hours, and license these to sporting clubs. This is how

existing fields are managed in the City of Clarence.

The gymnastics facilities could be leased to a Gymnastics Centre which would contribute to the capital or fit out costs of the facility and be responsible for running costs and minor asset maintenance.

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST TO RUN?

Per year it is estimated that the facility will cost approximately \$203,000 including cleaning, utilities, maintenance, minor repairs, promotion, admin/banking, telecom and a centre coordinator's salary.

This figure excludes the approximate \$123,000 cost to resurface the ball courts every 15-20 years.

With further planning, council will gain a greater understanding of the true cost to manage and operate the entire precinct.

CAN THE DEVELOPMENT BE STAGED?

If staging is required, the three logical stages are:

1. The indoor sports courts and gymnastic centre.
2. The outdoor field facilities.
3. Trail extension and corridor works.

HOW CAN I PROVIDE FEEDBACK ON THE DRAFT MASTER PLAN?

We are seeking community feedback on the draft master plan.

You can have your say by completing our survey at www.yoursay.ccc.tas.gov.au.

