

6.19 Sporting Infrastructure Renewal

1. POLICY PURPOSE

1. To identify and analyse the present and future needs of sport and recreation facilities.
2. Identify and plan for funding applications, infrastructure developments and renewals.
3. Integrate sport and recreation facility planning into local government planning.
4. To determine the financial contribution for facility development and/or renewal.

2. POLICY SCOPE

This policy is intending to guide decision making, strategic planning in line with Council's Strategic Recreation Master Plan. Guiding the identification, analysis, planning, and development of sport and recreation facilities within the Shire of Merredin (the Shire).

3. LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

NIL

4. POLICY STATEMENT

To determine sporting facilities requiring current and future facility development or renewal within the Merredin Regional Community & Leisure Centre (MRCLC) precinct in conjunction with the sporting Associations and/or Clubs.

1. The Shire will meet with Clubs and Associations annually to discuss improvements, projects, wish lists etc.
2. Identified capital projects may be considered by Council and, where approved, be included in the proposed Strategic Recreation Master Plan and the Shire's LTFP and AMP.
3. Associated Sporting Associations and/or Clubs will be required to contribute financially towards identified projects based on a one third (1/3) contribution of the total development costs or such other contribution arrangement that may be agreed by the Shire. The Shire is responsible for contributing financially towards the identified projects up to two thirds (2/3) of the total development costs subject to the project being included in the relevant annual budget.

Active Sporting Areas	Council Contribution	Club/Association/User Contribution
External Precinct ie carpark, fencing, gardens	100%	0%
Bowling Greens, lighting and reticulation	67%	33%
Scoreboards	0%	100%
Indoor Courts	67%	33%
Outdoor Courts and Lighting	67%	33%
Turf and Lighting	67%	33%
Oval and Lighting	67%	33%
Golf Course	67%	33%

4. Contribution by the Shire will be subject to confirmed grant funding for a pre-

determined level of total project costs.

5. The Shire in conjunction with the associated Sporting Association and/or Club will seek external funding to assist with the cost of the project.
6. The Shire will Project Manage all identified infrastructure projects undertaken within the MRCLC precinct.
7. Infrastructure projects not identified in the Sporting Association and/or Club strategic plan and the Shire's LTFP and AMP will not be financially supported by the Shire of Merredin.

5. KEY POLICY DEFINITIONS

MRCLC – Merredin Regional Community & Leisure Centre

LTFP – Long Term Financial Plan

AMP – Asset Management Plan

6. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Recreation and Aquatics Manager is responsible implementing this Policy.

The Executive Manager Strategy and Community is responsible for monitoring this Policy.

7. MONITOR AND REVIEW

This Policy will be reviewed by the Recreation and Aquatics Manager in conjunction with the Executive Manager Strategy and Community annually.

A final review will be undertaken by the Executive Leadership Team (ELT) and recommended to be endorsed by Council.

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