

CL23.470 Boongaree: Update on Sequencing of Future Stages and Engagement Activities

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Department: Recreation Projects - Planning & Delivery

Approver: Jane Lewis, Director - City Lifestyles

Attachments: 1. Final Deed Boongaree Stages 5 & 7 (councillors information folder)

Reason for Report

The purpose of this report is to:

1. Provide an update to Council on the outcomes of meetings with sporting groups (clubs) that utilise existing sportsgrounds and associated amenities at Boongaree Recreation Precinct regarding the sequencing of the delivery of future stages.
2. Seek endorsement from the Council to prioritise delivery of Stage 5 – Junior Sports Fields and postpone delivery of Stage 7 – Senior Sports Fields (pending the allocation of funding).

Recommendation

That Council:

1. Note the contents of the *Boongaree: Update on Sequencing of Future Stages and Engagement Activities* report as a summary of consultation with sporting groups (clubs) that utilise existing sportsgrounds and associated amenities at Boongaree Recreation Precinct.
2. Endorse the prioritisation of Stage 5 – Junior Sports Field and postpone delivery of Stage 7 – Senior Sports Field at Boongaree Recreation Precinct, pending the allocation of sufficient additional funding, and;
 - a. Direct the Chief Executive Officer (Director – City Lifestyles) to proceed with negotiations with the NSW Government's *Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund 2021-22* to reduce the scope of the funding agreement from delivery of Stages 5 & 7 to delivery of Stage 5 only, in line with revised cost estimates, site constraints, and the outcomes of key stakeholder consultation.
 - b. Pending the outcome at Part 2a of this resolution, direct the CEO (Director – City Lifestyles) to finalise tender documentation and proceed to advertise a tender for the delivery of Stage 5 – Junior Sports Fields, in accordance with Section 55 of the *NSW Local Government Act 1993* and Part 7 of the *Local Government General Regulations 2005*.
 - c. Direct the Chief Executive Officer (Director – City Lifestyles) to provide a future report to Council, upon completion of Part 2a & 2b of this resolution, outlining revised deliverables and budgets for all remaining stages of work at Boongaree.

Options

1. Adopt the recommendation as proposed.

Implications: City Lifestyles staff will commence negotiations with the NSW Government *Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund 2021-22* to agree to a reduced scope for the funding agreement from Stages 5 & 7 to Stage 5 only, in line with revised cost estimates, site constraints, and the outcomes of consultation with sporting groups (clubs) that utilise the

sporting facilities at Boongaree Recreation Precinct (herein Boongaree). Council endorsement for the prioritisation of Stage 5 over Stage 7 may increase the likelihood of successfully negotiating a variation to the grant agreement with the funding body. Risks arising from this option are outlined at the end of this report under the heading 'Risk Implications'.

2. Defer a decision on the sequencing of future stages at Boongaree, including Stage 5 and Stage 7.

Implications: In accordance with the Council resolution made on 27 November 2023 [MIN23.687], City Lifestyles staff will commence negotiations with the NSW Government *Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund 2021-22* to agree a reduced scope for the funding agreement. Council's negotiating position may be weaker due to a perceived lack of clarity from the elected Council on delivery priorities for Boongaree. Further risks arising from this option are outlined at the end of this report under the heading 'Risk Implications'.

3. Adopt an alternative recommendation.

Implications: Council would need to provide further direction to the Chief Executive Officer, in line with the outcomes of Council's deliberations on the matter.

Background

The Boongaree project aims to transform existing, aging local recreation facilities into a contemporary Destination Park. Boongaree has already cemented its role as a popular gateway attraction to the Shoalhaven area.

Completed Stages

The Rotary Nature Play Park and Learn to Ride facility were delivered in January 2022. Cricket practice nets and new netball courts were delivered in late 2022. A skate park and pump track were completed in March 2023. Lighting was installed and activated at the skate park in August 2023.

Future Stages

Construction is yet to commence on the following components identified in the Boongaree Master Plan:

- Stage 4b – Reconciliation Garden.
- Stage 5 – Junior practice fields (cricket and football).
- Stage 6 – Fenced dog off-leash exercise area.
- Stage 7 – Senior sports fields.

Stage 5 will include:

- Junior fields (up to age 11) for rugby league, soccer, and cricket.
- On-street carparking facilities.
- (Note: Long-vehicle parking has been removed as per the Council resolution of 14 August 2023 [MIN23.430]. For more information on the decision on long vehicle parking, see [comments under the heading 'Long Vehicle Parking' below](#)).

Stage 7 will include:

- A senior multi-use field with realigned cricket pitch.
- Upgraded lighting for senior rugby league games.
- [Additional off-street parking infrastructure adjacent to North Street & Woodhill Mountain Road, including carparking and bus set down and parking.](#)

Both fields are designed to have integrated irrigation and drainage, incorporating above-ground tanks for water capture and supply to each field.

Resolution of Council on 27 November 2023

At the Ordinary Council Meeting on 27 November 2023, Council acknowledged that it is necessary to agree priorities for delivery of Stages 4b – Reconciliation Garden; Stage 5 – Junior Sports Fields; Stage 6 – Fenced dog off-leash area; and Stage 7 – Senior Sports Fields due to revised cost estimates and site constraints [MIN23.687].

This report recommends prioritisation of Stage 5 – Junior Sports Field and postponement of delivery of Stage 7 – Senior Sports Field (pending allocation of funding) based on the outcomes of engagement with sporting groups (clubs) that utilise existing sportsgrounds and associated amenities at Boongaree,

This report does not include a proposed revised sequencing plan for the delivery of Stage 4b, Stage 6 and Stage 7. A proposed revised sequencing plan for these stages will be reported to Council in due course, as directed by Council at the Ordinary Meeting on 27 November 2023 [MIN23.687]. This will allow sufficient, genuine, and culturally appropriate engagement with key Aboriginal stakeholders and Aboriginal communities to be undertaken in relation to the proposed reconciliation garden.

Council’s immediate endorsement of the prioritisation of Stage 5 is considered necessary to facilitate negotiations with the grant funding body and enable reduction of the scope of the grant agreement from Stages 5 & 7 to Stage 5 only. Milestones in the current funding and budget schedule have not been achieved. It is therefore considered imperative that revised timing and scope is agreed as soon as possible and in line with key stakeholder and community expectations.

The current funding agreement with NSW Government *Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund 2021-22* is provided at **Attachment 1 – Funding Agreement - NSW Government Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund 2021-22 (Councillors Information Folder)**.

Revised cost estimates for Stages 5 & 7

Revised cost estimates for Stages 5 & 7 provided a suitably qualified external consultant are as follows:

- □ Stage 5 Junior Sports Fields & Parking.....\$3.3m
- □ Stage 7 Senior Sports Field & Parking \$6.6m

NSW Government *Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund 2021-22* grant for Stages 5 & 7 is for a total of. Council has provided by a 50% co-contribution in loan funding. This provides a total budget of \$3,642,795 for Stages 5 & 7, equating to a shortfall of **\$4.8m**.

If a reduction in scope is agreed by the grant funding body from delivery of Stages 5 & 7 to delivery of Stage 5 only, Council will have sufficient funds to deliver the full scope of Stage 5 works.

Assuming a successful negotiation outcome with the grant funding body to revise the scope of the project, Council will then have **\$1.97m** funding available from a total of \$5.27m to redirect to the delivery of Stage 4b, Stage 6 and Stage 7.

Further information on revised cost estimates and funding for the overall Boongaree project is provided under the heading ‘**Financial Implications**’ in this report.

Further information on past decisions of Council relating to Stages 5 & 7 at Boongaree is provided in chronological order below.

Councillor Briefing

An update on Boongaree was provided to the Council on 19 October 2023. Information presented at this meeting covered:

- Long Vehicle Parking – Notice of Motion – MIN23.430.
- Overview of Staging Plan.
- Works Completed to Date.
- Future Stages & Status Update.
- Actions Taken to Give Effect to MIN23.430.
- Project Budget.
- Moving Forward.

Resolution of Council - 27 November 2023 [MIN23.687]

At the 27 November 2023 Ordinary Meeting of Council, Council made the following resolution [MIN23.687]:

That Council:

1. *Acknowledge:*
 - a. *Sequencing for the delivery of future stages requires further consideration, as a result of revised costs estimates and site constraints.*
 - b. *It is necessary to agree priorities for the delivery of the following stages identified in the Boongaree Master Plan (adopted in 2018 and revised in 2021):*
 - i. *Stage 4b – Reconciliation garden.*
 - ii. *Stage 5 – Junior sports field.*
 - iii. *Stage 6 – Fenced dog off-leash exercise area.*
 - iv. *Stage 7 – Senior sports fields.*
2. *Direct the Chief Executive Officer (Director – City Lifestyles) to negotiate with the NSW Government's Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund 2021-22 to agree on a revised list of deliverables for Stage 5 (junior sports field) and Stage 7 (senior sports fields) in line with updated budgetary and site constraints.*
3. *Direct the Chief Executive Officer (Director – City Lifestyles) to complete the following engagement activities in relation to the delivery of future stages at Boongaree:*
 - a. *Convene an onsite meeting with sporting groups (clubs) that utilise existing sportsgrounds and associated amenities, including the Touch Football Club, Cricket Club, Soccer Club and Rugby League Club to discuss options for the delivery of sports infrastructure and receive feedback in relation to sequencing of staging delivery.*
 - b. *Undertake culturally appropriate engagement with Aboriginal stakeholders, including local Aboriginal Land Councils, Elders and Aboriginal communities with a connection to lands and waters in and around Berry, in relation to concept designs prepared for Stage 4b (reconciliation garden).*
4. *Direct the Chief Executive Officer (Director – City Lifestyles) to provide a future report to Council outlining:*
 - a. *Engagement activities (consultation) undertaken with:*
 - i. *Sporting groups (clubs) that utilise existing sportsgrounds and associated amenities at Boongaree, including the Touch Football Club, Cricket Club, Soccer Club and Rugby League Clubs.*
 - ii. *Aboriginal stakeholders, including local Aboriginal land councils, Elders and Aboriginal communities with a connection to lands and waters in and around Berry, in relation to concept design prepared for Stage 4 (reconciliation garden).*

- b. *A proposed revised sequencing plan for the delivery of Stage 4b (reconciliation garden), Stage 5 (junior sports field), Stage 6 (fenced dog off-leash exercise area) and Stage 7 (senior sports fields) utilising funding allocated to Boongaree in the Delivery Program Operation Plan & Budget 2023 / 24.*
- c. *Opportunities to procure sponsorship funding (in full or partially) to support the delivery of Stage 6 (fenced off-leash dog exercise area);*
- d. *Revised deliverables agreed with the NSW Government's Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund 2021-22 for Stage 5 (junior sports field) and Stage 7 (senior sports fields).*
- e. *Grant funding opportunities available to deliver all remaining stages (that are subject to an identified funding shortfall).*

Council staff have actioned Part 2, Part 3a, Part 4a, and portions of Part 4b as outlined in this report.

All other directions in MIN23.687 will be actioned and reported to Council in due course.

Previous Council decisions in relation to Boongaree are recorded at: MIN22.581; and MIN23.430.

Internal Consultations

This report has been prepared by Recreation Projects – Planning and Delivery Department within the City Lifestyles directorate.

External Consultations

City Lifestyles staff will commence negotiations with the NSW Government's *Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund 2021-22*, as the grant funding body for Stage 5 - Junior Sports Fields and Stage 7 - Senior Sports Fields, to agree a revised list of deliverables in line with revised cost estimates, site constraints, and the outcomes of consultation with sporting groups (clubs) that utilise the facilities at Boongaree.

If Council endorses the recommendation to prioritise Stage 5 – Junior Sporting Fields and postpone Stage 7 – Senior Sporting Fields (pending the allocation of funding) Council staff will make representations to the NSW Government *Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund 2021-22* on behalf of Council and the Berry community, noting:

- Council endorsement to proceed with Stage 5 – Junior Sporting Fields and to postpone delivery of Stage 7 – Senior Sporting Fields (pending the potential future allocation of funding).
- Support from relevant sporting groups (clubs) to proceed with Stage 5 – Junior Sporting Fields and to postpone delivery of Stage 7 – Senior Sporting Fields (pending the future allocation of funding).

City Lifestyles staff have advised the funding body that a variation to the project schedule will be required. Milestones in the current funding and budget schedule have not been achieved. It is therefore considered imperative that both revised scope and timing is agreed as soon as possible and in line with community and key stakeholder expectations.

Community Consultations

Berry Shoalhaven Heads Junior Rugby League Club, Berry Tennis Club, Berry Netball Club

City Lifestyles staff convened a meeting with representatives from Berry Shoalhaven Heads Junior Rugby League Club, Berry Tennis Club, and Berry Netball Club from 2 - 3.30pm on Thursday 30 November 2023. All four Ward 1 Councillors were in attendance. The meeting was held at the Berry School of Arts due to inclement weather.

The meeting was well-attended with a total of:

- 2 representatives from Berry Shoalhaven Heads Junior Rugby League Club

- 3 representatives from Berry Tennis Club
- 2 representatives from Berry Netball Club

The purpose of the meeting was to determine how the proposed prioritisation of Stage 5 – Junior Sporting Fields and postponed delivery of Stage 7 – Senior Sporting Fields (pending allocation of funding) would impact the sporting groups (clubs).

Berry Shoalhaven Heads Junior Rugby League Club, Berry Tennis Club, and Berry Netball Club stated that the prioritisation of Stage 5 – Junior Sporting Fields and postponed delivery of Stage 7 – Senior Sporting Fields (pending allocation of funding) would not have a considerable impact on their activities and were broadly supportive of the proposed prioritisation of Stage 5.

A detailed summary of feedback from Berry Shoalhaven Heads Junior Rugby League Club, Berry Tennis Club, and Berry Netball Club is provided below.

Comments from Berry Shoalhaven Heads Junior Rugby League Club:

- *New proposed staging will not have a considerable impact on their activities.*
- *Satisfied with current playing surfaces.*
- *Raised concerns about a lack of amenities and the limited ability to service an increase of female participation.*
- *Raised flooding concerns in the Northeast corner of the Senior Fields.*
- *Raised ongoing parking availability and maintenance concerns.*
- *Discussed the possibility of moving the astroturf cricket pitch to allow for the use of two fields on the Eastern side.*
- *Proposed parking at 7b should be prioritised. If parking is delayed, interim measure could include upgrading the existing gravel carpark accessed from Woodhill Mountain Road with minor earthworks.*
- *Lighting on the Eastern fields is not adequate to service two fields during winter training.*
- *Requested removal of existing netball nets on grass fields.*
- *Requested a concrete path on the eastern side of the rugby league building to the nearest carpark.*

Council staff response:

- Acknowledged limited amenities – This is currently not identified in the Boongaree Master Plan and will have to be addressed in the future. Currently there is no budget to allow for an amenities facility upgrade. This will likely require grant funding and is estimated to cost between \$1.9 - \$2.6m.
- Will investigate moving the cricket pitch to allow use of two fields.
- Will investigate lighting on the Eastern fields to service night training.
- Will investigate the removal of existing netball pole/nets on grass fields.
- Parking at 7b may not be able to be delivered before the fields at 7a due to drainage factors.
- A concrete path is not part of the Master Plan and will have to be actioned in the future – separate from the staging proposed in this meeting. The concrete path is estimated to cost between \$20-\$40k.

Comments from the Berry Tennis Club:

- *Proposed staging will not have a considerable impact on their activities.*

- *Raised lighting concerns. There is limited accessibility to the carpark once the lights have been turned off. Also mentioned various trip hazards that are difficult to identify when the lights are off.*
- *Raised concerns with current fencing.*

Council staff response:

- Council will investigate the implementation of lighting to improve access to the carpark. This may consist of bollard lighting.
- Fencing can be considered in works program for the upcoming financial year.
- (Note: Shoalhaven Swim Sport Fitness is now in receipt of a request for a letter of support from Berry Tennis Club to fund the upgrade of fencing to the tennis courts at Boongaree.)

Comments from the Berry Netball Club:

- *Proposed staging will not have a considerable impact on their activities.*
- *Raised concerns about parking availability.*
- *Raised access concerns due to the unfinished pathway near the courts.*
- *Raised lighting issues and nighttime access to the carpark after the lights are out.*
- *Limited changeroom facilities to service netball participants.*
- *Raised concerns about requests for a halfcourt basketball facility. Does not want this to affect the netball courts.*

Council staff response:

- Works have commenced to complete the unfinished pathway near the netball courts.
- A new amenities building is not part of the Master Plan and will have to be actioned in the future – separate from the staging proposed in this meeting. This will likely require grant funding and is estimated to cost between \$1.9 - \$2.6m.
- Staff will provide access to existing public toilets to Berry Netball.
- A halfcourt basketball is not part of the Master Plan and will have to be considered in the future

Berry Shoalhaven Heads Cricket Club

In a separate meeting, City Lifestyles staff met with Berry Shoalhaven Heads Cricket Club. The meeting took place onsite at Boongaree from 4-5pm on 5 December 2023. A total of x1 representative from Berry Shoalhaven Heads Cricket and x1 Ward 1 Councillor attended the meeting.

Berry Shoalhaven Heads Cricket Club stated that the prioritisation of Stage 5 – Junior Sporting Fields and postponed delivery of Stage 7 – Senior Sporting Fields (pending allocation of funding) would not have a considerable impact on their activities and were broadly supportive of the proposed prioritisation of Stage 5.

Additional comments from Berry Shoalhaven Heads Cricket Club are provided below:

- *Proposed staging will not have a considerable impact on their activities.*
- *Agreed to moving the existing cricket pitch 20m to the east so that the Stage 5 fields can be used for junior rugby league. This would be a temporary measure until Stage 7 is developed.*
- *Requested that the cricket pitch be made wider, it is currently too narrow.*

- Agreed with feedback from Berry Shoalhaven Heads Junior Rugby League Club, Berry Tennis Club, and Berry Netball Club including requests for a concrete path on the eastern side of the rugby league building to the nearest carpark.
- Was pleased that on-street parking would form part of Stage 5 works.

Council staff response:

- Provided in-principle support for widening the cricket pitch.
- A concrete path is not part of the Master Plan and will have to be actioned in the future – separate from the staging proposed in this meeting. The concrete path is estimated to cost between \$20-\$40k.

Berry Women’s Touch and Berry Junior Mixed Touch Clubs

- Berry Women’s Touch Club was contacted by City Lifestyles staff but have not yet responded.
- Berry Junior Mixed Touch Club was also contacted but the organisation has disbanded.

Policy Implications & Strategic Alignment

Community Strategic Plan

The *Shoalhaven 2023 Community Strategic Plan* identifies 11 key priorities, categorised into four themes:

1. *Resilient, Safe, Accessible & Inclusive Communities.*
2. *Sustainable, Liveable Environments.*
3. *Thriving local economies that meet community needs.*
4. *Effective, Responsible & Authentic Leadership.*

Implementation of the Boongaree Master Plan aligns with the following key priorities:

- 1.3: *Support community wellbeing through fostering active and healthy communities.*
- 2.1: *Manage our infrastructure for long term sustainability to meet community need.*
- 3.2: *Deliver safe, vibrant & attractive public spaces.*
- 4.1: *Deliver reliable, high quality services.*

Community Infrastructure Strategic Plan 2017 - 2036

Shoalhaven City Council’s *Community Infrastructure Strategic Plan 2017 - 2036* makes the following recommendation in relation to Boongaree (also known as North Street Park): *North Street Park: develop site as a district recreation park, as per Berry District Park Master Plan* (ref. p. 144)

Financial Implications

The current funding allocation for delivery of community infrastructure at Boongaree is recorded in the *Delivery Program Operational Plan & Budget 2023 / 24*:

Line 246: Boongaree Berry – Stage 2 to 7 (ref. p. 129)	\$5.27M
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Cost estimates provided by a suitably qualified external consultant provide an impartial assessment of future costs. This has prompted the need for the Council to reconsider and rearrange the delivery sequence for the remaining stages.

Original cost estimate (2018)	\$13.8m
Expenditure to Date	\$10.1m
Estimated Cost to Deliver Future Stages	\$10.8m
Funding Available for Future Stages (DPOP 2023/24)	\$5.27M
Estimated Funding Shortfall	\$5.53m
Revised cost estimate (2023)	\$20.9m

Estimated costs for future stages are as follows:

Stage 4b Reconciliation Garden	\$ TBD
Stage 5 Junior Sports Fields	\$ 3.3m
Stage 6 Dog Fenced Off-Leash Area	\$ 0.7m
Stage 7 Senior Sports Field & Parking	\$ 6.8m
Total estimate (excluding Reconciliation Garden):	\$10.8m

The NSW Government *Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund 2021-22* grant for Stages 5 & 7 is for a total of \$1,821,398 (excluding GST). Council has provided a 50% co-contribution in loan funding of \$1,821,398 (excluding GST). This, along with other contributions, provides a total budget of \$5.27m for Stages 5 & 7, equating to a shortfall of **\$4.8m**.

Budget Components: Stage 5 & Stage 7	\$ (ex. GST)
NSW Government <i>Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund 2021-22</i> grant for Stages 5 & 7	\$1.8m
Council 50% grant co-contribution (loans)	\$1.8m
Other loans	\$1.6m
Total Available Budget (Stage 5 & Stage 7)	\$5.3m
Total Estimated Cost to Deliver Stage 5 & Stage 7	\$10.1m
Estimated Shortfall (to deliver Stage 5 & Stage 7)	(\$4.8m)

If a reduction in scope is agreed by the grant funding body from delivery of Stage 5 & 7 to delivery of Stage 5 only, Council will have sufficient funds to deliver the full scope of Stage 5.

Budget Components: Stage 5 (only)	\$ (ex. GST)
NSW Government <i>Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund 2021-22</i> grant for Stages 5 & 7	\$1.8m
Council 50% co-contribution (Low-Cost Loan Initiative)	\$1.8m
Total Available Budget (Stage 5)	\$3.6m
Total Estimated Cost (to Deliver Stage 5)	\$3.3m
Estimated Funds Remaining (potential carry forward to other stages)	\$0.3m

Assuming successful negotiation with the grant funding body to revise the scope of the project, Council will then have **\$1.97m** funding available from its total of \$5.27m to redirect to the delivery of Stage 4b, Stage 6 and Stage 7, and assuming agreement is reached with the grant funding body to carry forward unspent funds from Stage 5 to Stage 7.

Budget Components: Stages 4b, 6 & 7	\$ (ex. GST)
Estimated Funds Carried Forward (unspent from Stage 5)	\$ 342,795
Estimated Total Available Budget (Stages 4b, 6, 7): remaining unspent funds from <i>Delivery Program Operational Plan & Budget 2023 / 24, Line 246: Boongaree Berry – Stage 2 to 7 (ref. p. 129), including assumed carry forward from Stage 5</i>	\$1,627,205
Total Available Funds	\$1,970,000
Estimated Cost (to deliver Stage 6 & 7)	\$7,500,000
Estimated Shortfall (to deliver Stages 6 & 7, excluding 4b)	(\$5,530,000)

A proposed revised sequencing plan for the delivery of Stage 4b, Stage 6 and Stage 7 will be reported to Council in due course, including a report on opportunities to procure sponsorship for Stage 6 and grant funding opportunities to assist in the delivery of remaining stages.

The current funding agreement with NSW Government *Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund 2021-22* is provided at **Attachment 1 (Councillor Information Folder)**.

The figures provide are quantity estimates only and the cost to deliver the project will not be known until the request for tender process has been undertaken on the open market.

Risk Implications

Option 1 - Risks of adopting report recommendations

Reputational risk

- Engagement with sporting groups (clubs) has occurred over the 2-week period since Council's resolution on 27 November [MIN23.687]. There is a potential reputational risk for Council resulting from the possible perception of consultation being rushed and/or limited. Council staff have met with representatives from 4 out of the 5 sporting groups still in operation that book sporting facilities at Boongaree. This risk is considered low. Reporting the information contained within this report is considered a mitigation measure in relation to this risk.

- Prioritisation of Stage 5 – Junior Sporting Fields and postponed delivery of Stage 7 – Senior Sporting Fields (pending allocation of funding) is likely to result in delays to the provision of parking in Stage 7. Additional parking at Boongaree has been identified by the Berry community and key stakeholders as a priority.

Option 2 - Risks of not adopting report recommendations

Financial risk

- Failure to clarify Council prioritisation of Stage 5 works at Boongaree, in line with community feedback, may weaken Council's position in negotiations with the NSW Government's *Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund 2021-22* to revise the scope of the grant. As delivery of Stage 5 & 7 is no longer considered feasible under the current funding agreement due to revised cost estimates and site constraints, failure to agree on a reduced scope may result in the wholesale loss of \$1,821,398 of grant funding.
- Deferral of a decision on the prioritisation of Stage 5 works may cause unacceptable delays to the delivery of future stages at Boongaree and the loss of grant funding. The current funding and budget schedule under the NSW Government's *Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund 2021-22* grant agreement has an estimated milestone completion date for handover and 100% completion of the construction works of April 2024. For this reason, it is considered imperative that revised timing and scope is agreed as soon as possible and in line with community and key stakeholder expectations.