

# Northern Grampians Shire Council

## Stawell Recreation Advisory Group Meeting - Agenda

The meeting to be held at **6.00pm** on 21 July 2025 at **North Park Clubrooms**

**Chair: Cr Hyslop (Open at 6 25pm)**

**To be Present:** Cr Karen Hyslop, Cr Jack Blake, Reg Smith, Ian O'Donnell, Steve Walker, Jessie Newton, Marc Brilliant, Malcolm Raggatt, Andrew Christian, Nic Baird (NGSC)

**Apologies:** Brian Barber, Samantha Winter (NGSC), Richard Hackwill, Rob Lembo

1. **Minutes of the previous meeting:** Steve Walker moved that they were true and correct, Malcolm Raggatt seconded. happy
2. **Introduction to CR Jack Blake as first meeting with group.** As this was Cr Blake's first meeting with the Stawell Recreation Group the group did a quick introduction for Cr Blake.

**3. Business arising from the previous meeting:**

**4. General Business**

Item	TOPIC	Discussion	Action/ Outcome
1.1	Project Update	<p><b>Central Park Netball Court:</b> Timeline for the project is: Tender opened in July and Council meeting for award of contract come 6 October. Construction to start after then and to be completed by Easter 2026. Tony Dark has met with the Central Park Club (combined project committee) to explain the current timeline and all implications and will keep communicating with them as the project progresses. Concept design in appendix below</p> <p><b>North Park Playground</b> Feedback on questions for the North Park playground due to some public comments re dangerous rocks around the playground and no fence in an area that also shares cars: 1. We can get an assessment by the playground assessor to give a ruling on the rocks for safety and recommendation. 2. We can source funding to install a fence (L shaped) to cover the car park / vehicles risk. 3. We can source funding to install a fence around the whole playground</p> <p><b>Issues raised from Stawell Recreation Advisory Group:</b></p>	<p><b>Action:</b> <b>Nic send out designs</b> <b>Nic follow up Heath re Newington road</b> <b>Nic to confirm shade sail at NP Playground</b></p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reversing an issue near the playground with limited sight when in a vehicle.</li> <li>Issues with jagged/sharp rocks</li> <li>Ian mentioned about the motion moved to keep Newington road gate locked concern if cars come around that way. Nic to raise with Parks and Gardens team about keeping it locked where possible.</li> </ul> <p>A motion was raised by Ian to follow the following options from above firstly look into Option 1 for an assessment and then either option 2 or 3 for fencing pending what the assessment calls for, Malcolm seconded the motion and all were in favour.</p> <p>A question was asked whether there was to be a shade sail installed at the Playground. Nic said the project did not include a shade sail but will double check to ensure he was correct.</p> <p><b>Navarre Project update</b>  New changerooms all but completed.  Works to start on the Social Space come the end of the football and netball season.</p>	
1.2	<b>Agreements and User Fees</b>	<p>Reminder to clubs about Licence Agreements requirements (Liquor Licence, Schedule of use, bookings)  User fee update (timing for send out).  Marc asked about user fees (cricket): Is there a possibility of a casual booking price for Swifts/GCA user pays doesn't work for the cricket club. SWGCC likely to use Great Western and Central Park rather than North Park moving forward for senior cricket.  Club or Horsham Cricket Association to book and pay?  Pitch needs replacing is this on council/club. GCA has a little money left to help. Nic to follow up with this.</p>	<p><b>Action: Nic to follow up re cricket fees.  Nic follow up Pitch at NP.</b></p>

### Other business:

Ian:

Whiteboard in first aid room group happy. Nic to follow up maintenance (swifts have board can fix it in place).

Old shed from netball club for storage between net and fence on Lamont street may need a permit and a cultural assessment, Nic to ask Heath/Mark/Dom about where shed is. Stawell Recreation Advisory Group happy with placement of the shed (if it ticks off all other requirements), Swifts/Ian to provide site plan once further down the line.

A couple of new TVs for "honour boards" Swifts to pay for TV's and installation and can be shared with the users. Stawell Recreation Group happy with this.

Shade sail on the area just near netball court (closest to aths track), Swifts have asked about Letter of Support for shade sails, Swifts investigating about nets behind goals.

Jessie:

Memorial for Kaye at North Park, Nic to get a cost for Interchurch and what they can provide towards it before any other contributions

Steve:

Goal Posts at North Park can these be left in over the summer for pre-season? Nic will follow up with Parks and Gardens team. Last year was a grass maintenance issue so hopefully this year maybe different.

Goal Posts at Central Park, new posts needed at Central regional standard at 10M high. Shane has had discussions with Tony and Heath about timeframes and that looking at grants, Stawell advisory happy to support SFNC in this project.

Stawell Football Netball Club asking about a playground (fenced one to help with kids not going to Cato playground) at Cato Lake end near big tree idea stage only. Nic to speak with Tony about this and get an answer.

Malcolm:

Council safety inspection (who did this) at Tennis Club. Test tag, fire blanket first aid kit. Nic to ask some questions about who this might have been.

Reg:

Stawell hosting the CFA state championships 2026/27. Works starting on some upgrades most of these are minor upgrades nothing that will have a major effect on any user groups.

**4. Close time: 7:28pm**

**5. Next meeting: TBC**

## Appendix 1 Central Park Netball Court Concept Design

