



City of **HOBART**

Memorandum: Lord Mayor
Deputy Lord Mayor
Elected Members

Response to Question Without Notice

PERMANENT SOCCER FIXTURES FOR COMMUNITY USE

Meeting: Parks and Recreation Committee

Meeting date: 12 August 2021

Raised by: Lord Mayor Reynolds

Question:

Could the Director please advise which sporting fields have permanent soccer fixtures with nets for community use and the costs associated with the installation of additional soccer fixtures with nets.

Furthermore, could the Director please advise if there are any barriers foreseeable with the possibility of the City providing more of these forms of fixtures for community use?

Response:

Currently none of the City's multi-use reserves have permanent soccer fixtures installed for community use. As well as accommodating soccer over the winter period, Council grounds are set up for summer sports between October and April.

Preliminary discussions with suppliers indicate that the permanent installation of such fixtures would be a significant cost to the City.

The permanent placement of a fixture on sportsgrounds can also lead to over use and destruction of the goal square which impacts upon the suitability of the ground for organised sports and scheduled weekend matches.

All permanent goals on Council land are required to be installed to the Australian Standard which requires them to be sleeved into the ground as such cannot be rotated across areas of the ground to reduce this wear.

As signatory to this report, I certify that, pursuant to Section 55(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, I hold no interest, as referred to in Section 49 of the Local Government Act 1993, in matters contained in this report.



Glenn Doyle
DIRECTOR CITY AMENITY

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