Meeting with Glen Waverley Tennis Club

Date: 2pm Monday 12 August 2019 at Monash Civic Centre
Attendees: Paul Bowman - President GWTC; Tony Oulton - Manager Active Monash; Jackie Grieve - Strategic Leisure Planner; Chris McEwan – Active Planning & Projects Officer

Meeting Notes:

1. Meeting held to discuss explore future opportunities for GWTC, in light of:

    a. Findings of 2MH Condition Audit (2018) for GWTC which recommends reconstruction of the courts due to base failing/shifting attributable to poor base construction methodology and court non- compliance with current TV standards.

    b. The recent Tennis Forum findings and Tennis Discussion Paper which is scheduled for Council consideration at the upcoming Briefing Session on Tuesday 15 August – it is envisaged that this process will inform the development of a framework to guide future Council investment in tennis facilities based on optimising community benefit outcomes.

    c. Evidence of the court issue as per email by Paul Bowman (emailed on 26/07/19) highlighting pooling of water at rear of courts 5 and 6 (MARC end). This court surface here has subsided and led to pooling of water. This situation has become worse over the past two months as per image below:



d. Findings of MARC Needs Assessment community consultation which highlight community (and club) concerns around the adequacy of car parking on-site to service MARC and tennis club members/users and a growing need to expand the range of facilities and services on offer at MARC.

e. Upcoming expiry of all tennis club leases - present an opportunity to consider future tennis management and occupancy arrangements.

2. It was noted that GWTC is a strong, well-managed club in a good financial position unlike several other clubs on Monash. Membership is growing with current membership likely to reach up to 340.

3. Without prejudice, and in partnership with the GWTC, Council officers would like to explore future opportunities (e.g. SWOT analysis) to ensure the ongoing success and sustainability of the GWTC and tennis broadly in Monash which may/may not include:
   a. Rebuilding the existing tennis courts on-site
   b. Reviewing the management model e.g. club licence
   c. Relocating the tennis club to a new site
   d. Relocating the club to an existing nearby site e.g. expand a neighbouring tennis/bowls club to accommodate GWTC?
   e. Other – any other options put forward by the club?

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5. In the interim, officers to seek quote from 2MH Consulting to undertake low-cost remedial works to the base of courts 5&6 to extend life of these courts for a further 4-5 years.

Meeting Close 2.45pm