



**MINUTES OF THE KATHERINE SPORT PRECINCT NETWORK ADVISORY GROUP
MEETING - WEDNESDAY 11 AUGUST 2010, CIVIC CENTRE, STUART HIGHWAY,
KATHERINE**

1. OPENING

5-30pm

2. PRESENT

Trevor Ford (Chairman)	Alderman KTC
Kassie Mills	YMCA
Carrie Williams	YMCA
Tegan Forder	Netball
Carol Manfong	Softball
Bonny King	Softball
Kate Phillips	KROAKS
Geoff Brooks	KTC

3. APOLOGIES

Lisa Elliot	YMCA
Bill Daw	Alderman KTC
Toni Coutts	Alderman KTC

4. PREVIOUS MINUTES

Moved: Tegan Forder/Kassie Mills

That the minutes of the meeting held on 9 June 2010 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

6. ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION

Good Sport Program

Ms Sue Earl on behalf of the Australian Drug Foundation provided details of the Federal Government's Good Sport Program. The aim of this program is to better manage the consumption of alcohol in the sporting environment. Sue outlined three levels in the Good Sport Program. The first was Compliance (responsible service of alcohol and licences etc), the second Practises (Lite alcoholic drinks served with food) and the third a comprehensive Alcohol Management Plan.

It was noted that most sporting groups using Council facilities do not allow players and spectators to consume alcohol due to current dry zone restrictions.

KICS Lease of Disused Canteen near Playground

It was agreed to support the request by the Katherine Isolated Children's Service (KICS) to lease the disused canteen near the Children's playground for the purpose of storing play equipment and providing basic catering facilities for children's functions. The lease is to be offered for five years on the basis that KICS will fund the modifications necessary to return the building to service.

Sportsgrounds/Aquatic Centre Maintenance

The Municipal Plan sets out the operating budget for the Sportsground that can be summarised as follows:

Expenditure

- Ongoing maintenance – grass mowing, irrigation, etc - \$78,000
- Insurance – Public Liability and Buildings - \$12,000
- Power and Water - \$29,000
- Depreciation - \$125,000

Income

- User charges - \$7,700

The above figures do not include the Aquatic Centre which has a budget as follows:

Expenditure

- Maintenance KTC Staff - \$14,000
- Materials Chemicals etc - \$26,500
- Contractual Services YMCA and others - \$190,000
- Insurance - Public Liability and Buildings - \$11,500
- Power and Water - \$7,500
- Depreciation - \$88,000

Income

- Entry and other charges - \$39,500

The cost of vandalism for all facilities including the Sportsgrounds varies from \$50,000 to \$70,000 per annum. On a year to date basis costs at the Sportsgrounds are well in excess of past levels.

The Municipal Plan is available on Council's Web Site www.ktc.nt.gov.au and also at the Library and Civic Centre.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Aquatic Centre

It was agreed that the provision of a child proof gate should be investigated for the main entrance at the Aquatic Centre.

Damage to Canteens

It was reported that the Softball Canteen had been broken into five times in the last few months with the damage bill in excess of \$4,000. During the same period the Netball canteen was broken into on one occasion. Police are investigating the break-ins and it was suggested that sensor lights should be installed. Council will investigate upgrading the lighting in the vicinity of the two canteens.

8. CONTACT FOR MAINTENANCE

Sporting organisations are requested to report maintenance items direct to Council's Works section as they occur. Please contact Ross Cruden on (08) 8972 5500 or email ross.cruden@ktc.nt.gov.au

All sporting groups are encouraged to lodge their events online for inclusion in the events calendar available on Council's web site www.ktc.nt.gov.au

9. MEETING CLOSED

Meeting was closed at 6.35pm

10. NEXT MEETING

13 October 2010