

MINUTES

Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee

Thursday, 13 November 2025

6:00 PM

Dragon Room
Georges River Civic Centre
Hurstville

UNCONFIRMED



GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL

ATTENDANCE

COUNCILLOR MEMBERSHIP

Councillor Oliver Dimoski (Chairperson)
Councillor Natalie Mort
Councillor Kathryn Landsberry.

COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIP

Ray Barbi – St George Basketball Association
Jeffrey Barrett – St George Cycling Club
Ross Bernays – Oatley Rugby and Sporting Club (Apology)
Sean Brohier – Football de Brazil
Warren Driscoll – St George Rugby League Football Club
Julian Finch – Connells Point Netball (Apology)
Kevin Greene – Cricket NSW (Apology)
Scott Henderson – St George Touch Association
Scot Holmes – St George OZTAG, (Apology)
Darryl Lane – St George Little Athletics Club (Apology)
Nicholas Smerdely – Football St George
Mark Smith – Swimming Metro South East (Apology)
Tanya Smith – Golf NSW (Apology)
Sal Torrisi – St George City
Dale Widders – St George Australian Football Club.

GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL STAFF

David Tuxford – General Manager
Kristie Dodd – Director Community and Culture
Bryce Spelta – Director Assets and Infrastructure
Tom Heath – Manager City Technical Services
Greg Knight – Executive Manager City Presentation and Operations
Peter Gray – Head of City Sport Maintenance
Kent Stroud – Executive Manager City Futures
Margaret Le – Manager Sport, Community Facilities and Events
Luke Galle – Coordinator Sport and Recreation
Andrew Williams – Coordinator Community Property and Venues
Melinda Gray-Schwarz, Senior Venue and Recreation Officer
Ben Taylor – Acting Coordinator Community Capacity Building
Mark Tadros – Team Leader Technology Business Support
Shannon Tomarchio – Personal Assistant to Manager Sport, Community Facilities and Events
Marisa Severino – Executive Services Officer.

COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE

The Mayor, Councillor Elise Borg
Councillor Oliver Dimoski (Chairperson)
Councillor Kathryn Landsberry
Councillor Natalie Mort.

EXTERNAL PRESENTERS

Carolyn Duggan – Office of Sport
James Punch – Office of Sport
Jeff Apitz – Office of Sport.

OPENING

The Chairperson, Councillor Dimoski, opened the meeting at 6.03pm.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chairperson, Councillor Dimoski acknowledged the Bidjigal people of the Eora Nation, who are the Traditional Custodians of all lands, waters and sky in the Georges River area. He paid his respect to Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who live, work and meet on these lands.

WELCOME

Councillor Dimoski introduced himself, noting it was his first time chairing the meeting and welcomed the Mayor, Councillor Elise Borg to the meeting and external presenters from the Office of Sport.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

MOTION: Councillor Mort, Councillor Landsberry.

That apologies on behalf of Ross Bernays, Scott Holmes, Julian Finch, Kevin Greene, Darryl Lane, Mark Smith and Tanya Smith be accepted and a leave of absence be granted.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Member Barbi - St George Basketball Association, Member Barrett - St George Cycling Club, Member Brohier - Football de Brazil, Member Widders - St George Australian Football Club, Member Smerdely - Football St George, Member Driscoll – St George Junior Rugby League, Member Torrisi - Director of St George City, Chair Dimoski

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

NOTICE OF WEBCASTING

The Chairperson, Councillor Dimoski advised staff and the public that the meeting is being recorded for minute-taking purposes and is also webcast live on Council's website, in accordance with section 5 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice. This recording will be made available on Council's Website.

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CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

SAC017-25 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on 14 August 2025
(Report by Personal Assistant to Manger Sport, Community Facilities and Events)

RECOMMENDATION: Member Widders, Councillor Mort.

That the Minutes of the Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on 14 August 2025, be confirmed.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort,

Member Barbi - St George Basketball Association, Member Barrett - St George Cycling Club, Member Brohier - Football de Brazil, Member Widders - St George Australian Football Club, Member Smerdely - Football St George, Member Driscoll – St George Junior Rugby League, Member Torrisi - Director of St George City, Chair Dimoski

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SAC018-25 Carss Park Pool Update

(Report by Executive Manager City Futures)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Mort, Member Smerdely.

That the Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee receive and note the update provided by the Office of Sport regarding the Carss Park Pool (formerly known as the Carss Park Aquatic Centre) project, including the current status, confirmed project scope, and timeline.

Record of Voting

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On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

SAC019-25 Sport, Community Facilities and Events Update

(Report by Manager Sport, Community Facilities and Events)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Landsberry, Member Widders.

That the Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee receive and note the presentation from the Manager Sport, Community Facilities and Events and the Executive Manager City Presentation & Operations outlining an overview of Sport and Recreation facilities across the local government area.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Member Barbi - St George Basketball Association, Member Barrett - St George Cycling Club, Member Brohier - Football de Brazil, Member Widders - St George Australian Football Club, Member Smerdely - Football St George, Member Driscoll – St George Junior Rugby League, Member Torrisi - Director of St George City, Chair Dimoski

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

SAC020-25 Sporting Infrastructure Capital Works Update
(Report by Acting Director Assets and Infrastructure)

RECOMMENDATION: Member Smerdely, Member Widders.

That the Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee receive and note the presentation from the Manager City Technical Services providing an update on Sporting Infrastructure Projects within Council's Capital Works Program 2025/26.

Record of Voting

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CONCLUSION

The Meeting was closed at 7.08pm

Chairperson

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