

MINUTES

Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee

Thursday, 14 August 2025

6:00 PM

**Dragon Room
Georges River Civic Centre
Hurstville**



GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL

COUNCILLOR MEMBERSHIP

Councillor Sam Stratikopoulos (Chairperson) (Apology),
Councillor Kathryn Landsberry (Alternate Chairperson),
Councillor Natalie Mort.

COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIP

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

GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL STAFF

David Tuxford - General Manager,
Kristie Dodd - Director Community and Culture,
Tom Heath – Acting Manager City Operational Services,
James Magee – Acting Manager City Technical Services,
Kent Stroud – Executive Manager City Futures
Margaret Le - Manager Sports, Community Facilities and Events
Naomi Bryant – Head of Operations City Life
Luke Galle – Coordinator Sports and Recreation
Lee Fermor – Technology Business Support Officer
Billie Johnson, Acting Executive Assistant to Director Community and Culture
Shannon Tomarchio – Personal Assistant to Sport, Community Facilities and Events

COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE

The Mayor, Councillor Elise Borg
Councillor Kathryn Landsberry (Alternate Chairperson)
Councillor Natalie Mort

EXTERNAL PRESENTERS

Mark Roach – Office of Sport
Kristian Whittaker – Alcohol and Drug Foundation

OPENING

The Chairperson, Councillor Landsberry, opened the meeting at 6.05pm.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chairperson, Councillor Landsberry acknowledged the Bidjigal people of the Eora Nation, who are the Traditional Custodians of all lands, waters and sky in the Georges River area. She 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.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

MOTION: Member Widders, Member Lane

That apologies on behalf of Councillor Stratikopoulos, Jeffrey Barrett, Scot Holmes, Jeff Killick and Nicholas Smerdely be accepted and a leave of absence be granted.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Member Barbi, Member Bernays, Member Brohier, Member, Member Greene, Member Henderson, Member Lane, Member Tanya Smith, Member Mark Smith, Member Widders, Member Driscoll.

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

NOTICE OF WEBCASTING

The Chairperson, Councillor Landsberry 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.

CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE

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CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

SAC012-25 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on 22 May 2025

(Report by Executive Assistant to Director Community and Culture)

RECOMMENDATION: Member Greene, Member Brohier

That the Minutes of the Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on 22 May 2025, be confirmed.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Member Barbi, Member Bernays, Member Brohier, Member, Member Greene, Member Henderson, Member Lane, Member Tanya Smith, Member Mark Smith, Member Widders, Member Driscoll.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SAC013-25 Sporting Infrastructure Capital Works Update (Report by Acting Manager City Technical Services)

RECOMMENDATION: Member Finch, Member Widders

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

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Member Barbi, Member Bernays, Member Brohier, Member, Member Greene, Member Henderson, Member Lane, Member Tanya Smith, Member Mark Smith, Member Widders, Member Driscoll.

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

SAC014-25 Carss Park Aquatic Facility Update (Report by Executive Manager City Futures)

RECOMMENDATION: Member Mark Smith, Councillor Mort

That the Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee receive and note the update within this report from Executive Manager City Futures on the Carss Park Aquatic Facility.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Member Barbi, Member Bernays, Member Brohier, Member, Member Greene, Member Henderson, Member Lane, Member Tanya Smith, Member Mark Smith, Member Widders, Member Driscoll.

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

SAC015-25 Respectful Environments in Community Sport (Report by Manager Sport, Community Facilities and Events)

RECOMMENDATION: Member Finch, Member Greene

That the Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee receive and note the presentation provided by the Senior Community Development Officer – Good Sports Program, from the Alcohol and Drug Foundation and Project Officer – Policy and Planning from the NSW Office of Sport, outlining the strategic framework of the Good Sports Program and Office of Sport resources.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Member Barbi, Member Bernays, Member Brohier, Member, Member Greene, Member Henderson, Member Lane, Member Tanya Smith, Member Mark Smith, Member Widders, Member Driscoll.

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

SAC016-25 Sport, Community Facilities and Events Update
(Report by Manager Sport, Community Facilities and Events)

RECOMMENDATION: Member Finch, Councillor Mort

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

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Member Barbi, Member Bernays, Member Brohier, Member, Member Greene, Member Henderson, Member Lane, Member Tanya Smith, Member Mark Smith, Member Widders, Member Driscoll.

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

CONCLUSION

The Meeting was closed at 6.56pm.

Chairperson