

MINUTES

Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee

Thursday, 26 February 2026

6:00 PM

Georges River Civic Centre
Hurstville - Dragon Room

UNCONFIRMED



GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL

ATTENDANCE

COUNCILLOR MEMBERSHIP

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

COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIP

Jeffrey Barrett – St George Cycling Club
Ross Bernays – Oatley Rugby Club
Caroline Braddick – St George Touch Football
Warren Driscoll – St George Junior Rugby Club
Jodie Gatehouse – St George District Rugby League Football Club
Kevin Greene – Cricket NSW (Apology)
Kim Mok - Australian Chinese Soccer Association
Oleksandr Reipolskyi - Southern Cross Tennis
Nicholas Smerdely – Football St George
Mark Smith – Swimming Metro South East Inc. (METSEA)
Tanya Smith – Golf NSW
Paul Thanos - St George Basketball Association
Sal Torrisi – St George City FA (Absent)
Dale Widders – St George Australian Football Club
Kris Wylie - Cricket (St George District Cricket Association)

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
Margaret Le - Manager Sport and Community Facilities
Andrew Williams – Coordinator Community Property and Venues
Luke Galle - Coordinator Sport and Recreation
Naomi Bryant – Head of Operations
Melinda Gray-Schwarz - Senior Venue and Recreation Officer
Chris Stojanovski - Technology Business Support Officer
Shannon Tomarchio - Personal Assistant to the Manager Sport and Community Facilities
Marisa Severino – Executive Services Officer

COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE

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

OPENING

The Chairperson, Councillor Dimoski, opened the meeting at 6.00pm.

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.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

MOTION: Councillor Mort, Councillor Landsberry.

That apologies on behalf of Kevin Greene be accepted and a leave of absence be granted.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Chair Dimoski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Member Barrett - St George Cycling Club, Member Bernays - Oatley Rugby and Sporting Club, Member Braddick - St George Touch Association, Member Driscoll – St George Junior Rugby League, Member Gatehouse - St George District Rugby League Football, Member Mok - Australian Chinese Soccer Association, Member Reipolskyi - Southern Cross Tennis,, Member Smerdely - Football St George, Member Smith – Swimming Metro South East Inc (METSEA), Member Smith – Golf NSW, Member Thanos - St George Basketball Association, Member Widders - St George Australian Football Club, Member - Cricket (St George District Cricket Association.

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

ABSENCES

Sal Torrisi – St George City FA.

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.

CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE

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CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

SAC001-26 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on 13 November 2025
(Report by Manager Sport, Community Facilities and Events)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Landsberry, Member Smerdely.

That the Minutes of the Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on 13 November 2025, be confirmed.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Chair Dimoski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Member Barrett - St George Cycling Club, Member Bernays - Oatley Rugby and Sporting Club, Member Braddick - St George Touch Association, Member Driscoll – St George Junior Rugby League, Member Gatehouse - St George District Rugby League Football, Member Mok - Australian Chinese Soccer Association, Member Reipolskyi - Southern Cross Tennis,, Member Smerdely - Football St George, Member Smith – Swimming Metro South East Inc (METSEA), Member Smith – Golf NSW, Member Thanos - St George Basketball Association, Member Widders - St George Australian Football Club, Member - Cricket (St George District Cricket Association).

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

SAC002-26 Carss Park Aquatic Facility
(Report by Executive Manager City Futures)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Mort, Councillor Landsberry.

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: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Chair Dimoski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Member Barrett - St George Cycling Club, Member Bernays - Oatley Rugby and Sporting Club, Member Braddick - St George Touch Association, Member Driscoll – St George Junior Rugby League, Member Gatehouse - St George District Rugby League Football, Member Mok - Australian Chinese Soccer Association, Member Reipolskyi - Southern Cross Tennis,, Member Smerdely - Football St George, Member Smith – Swimming Metro South East Inc (METSEA), Member Smith – Golf NSW, Member Thanos - St George Basketball Association, Member Widders - St George Australian Football Club, Member - Cricket (St George District Cricket Association).

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

SAC003-26 Sporting Infrastructure Capital Works Update
(Report by Manager City Technical Services)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Mort, Councillor Landsberry.

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

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Chair Dimoski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Member Barrett - St George Cycling Club, Member Bernays - Oatley Rugby and Sporting Club, Member Braddick - St George Touch Association, Member Driscoll – St George Junior Rugby League, Member Gatehouse - St George District Rugby League Football, Member Mok - Australian Chinese Soccer Association, Member Reipolskyi - Southern Cross Tennis,, Member Smerdely - Football St George, Member Smith – Swimming Metro South East Inc (METSEA), Member Smith – Golf NSW, Member Thanos - St George Basketball Association, Member Widders - St George Australian Football Club, Member - Cricket (St George District Cricket Association).

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SAC004-26 Feedback from Sports Advisory Committee Workshop - 13 November 2025 - Sporting Amenities and Storage Facilities (Report by Coordinator Community Property and Venues)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Member Smerdely, Member Widders.

That, the Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee:

- (a) receive and note the outcomes of the Georges River Council Sports Advisory workshop held on 13 November 2025;
- (b) note that Council officers will conduct broader community consultation on the proposed mixed management model for sporting amenities and storage facilities; and
- (c) note that a future report will go to Council on the outcome of the community consultation.

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

SAC005-26 Sport, Community Facilities and Events Update (Report by Manager Sport, Community Facilities and Events)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Member Smerdely - Football St George, Councillor Mort

That the Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee receive and note the presentation from the Manager Sport and Community Facilities 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, Chair Dimoski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Member Barrett - St George Cycling Club, Member Bernays - Oatley Rugby and Sporting Club, Member Braddick - St George Touch Association, Member Driscoll – St George Junior Rugby League, Member Gatehouse - St George District Rugby League Football, Member Mok - Australian Chinese Soccer Association, Member Reipolskyi - Southern Cross Tennis,, Member Smerdely - Football St George, Member Smith – Swimming Metro South East Inc (METSEA), Member Smith – Golf NSW, Member Thanos - St George Basketball Association, Member Widders - St George Australian Football Club, Member - Cricket (St George District Cricket Association).

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CONCLUSION

The Meeting was closed at 7.03pm

Chairperson

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