

## **CNSW Western Sydney Cricket & Community Centre - Wilson Park NEWINGTON GUNNERS FC PROJECT CONSULTATION**

### **Key Facts**

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- The facility will be the home of Cricket NSW, all of its top-level men's and women's cricket squads, and junior player development.
- The total budget for the project is \$54 million.
- The NSW Government, via Sydney Olympic Park Authority, has allocated \$30 million in funding; Cricket NSW a \$10 million contribution, the Federal Government, \$5 million; and the SCG Trust has provided Cricket NSW with \$9 million for relocation expenses associated with moving from its former headquarters at Moore Park.
- Wilson Park is a remediated land site and subject to EPA regulations
- The primary driver underpinning the Centre has been brought about by the need for Cricket NSW to vacate their former premises at Moore Park. The move was required in order for the redevelopment of the Sydney Football Stadium to occur. As such, the requirement to relocate triggered Cricket NSW to undertake a strategic assessment of its future needs and changing stakeholder requirements, resulting in the recommendation to establish the Centre to consolidate Cricket NSW headquarters and training facilities into a purpose-built facility in Sydney Olympic Park.
- The project was announced by the Minister Ayres on the 12th November 2018.
- One of the current users of Wilson Park was the Newington Football Club.
- SOPA and City of Parramatta agreed to collaborate on options for the club's training and matches moving forward and that SOPA would facilitate the consultation with the Club.

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12 November 2018		NSW Sports Minister announces CNSW Western Sydney Cricket & Community Centre - Wilson Park	Media announcement at Wilson Park, Sydney Olympic Park



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27 November 2018	1 <sup>st</sup> Meeting with Newington Gunners	To provide Newington Gunners with a full briefing on the project and to work through understanding the Clubs immediate and longer term needs	<b>Andrew Hirshhorn, Newington Gunners FC</b> <b>Ben Nilson, Newington Gunners FC</b> Andrew Jones, CEO CNSW Charles Moore, CEO SOPA Tony Houhlias, Snr Manager Sports Development Meeting held at SOPA Offices, Level 1 8 Australia Avenue, Sydney Olympic Park
27 November 2018	Meeting	CNSW & SOPA meet with City of Parramatta Council to discuss project and agree to collaborate on alternate options for Newington Gunners training and match play. SOPA requested from the Newington Gunners FC a schedule of their immediate requirements for the upcoming season in 2019 so that both City of Parramatta and SOPA could explore options.	Sue Coleman GM City of Parramatta Council Andrew Jones CEO CNSW Charles Moore CEO SOPA Tony Houhlias, Senior Manager Sports Development SOPA Meeting held at City of Parramatta Offices 126 Church Street, Parramatta - Level 12
31 January 2019	Meeting	Understanding of the Clubs requirements (short and long term) by City of Parramatta Council and SOPA. Newington Gunners FC provided an outline of their needs being: - 2 soccer fields - 3 nights training - Every Saturday and occasional Sundays City of Parramatta & SOPA agreed to review to look at the immediate and longer term options.	<b>Greg Moses, Newington Gunners FC</b> <b>Bas Farag, Newington Gunners FC</b> Greg Radford, City of Parramatta Council Tony Houhlias, Snr, Manager Sports Development, SOPA 8am -9am SOPA Offices Level 8, 5 Olympic Boulevard Sydney Olympic Park
12 March 2019	Email communication from Tony Houhlias, Snr, Manager Sports Development, SOPA to Newington Gunners	Email to update that SOPA and Parramatta Council have been discussing potential options for the 2020 season and that there appears to be a strong option shaping up as a location for the team. Both SOPA and Parramatta City Council are working through this option to identify approval and funding.	<b>Email to: Bas Farag, Newington Gunners FC</b> CC'd Greg Radford, City of Parramatta Council and Gary Moore City of Parramatta Council
March – May 2019	Internal Review City of Parramatta Council & SOPA Review locations and resourcing/funding	SOPA & City of Parramatta Conduct internal review to identify options for the Newington Gunners FC	Greg Radford, City of Parramatta Council Tony Houhlias, Snr, Manager Sports
13 May 2019	Letter To Bas Farag Newington Gunners FC	SOPA confirm in the letter that the existing Wilson Park Field will be made available up until the end of the 2019 season (31st August 2019) under the same arrangements to the club as the Council has provided. SOPA also advised that City of Parramatta City Council has identified Newington Reserve as a potential field for the club. SOPA also offered the use of SOPA's Tom Wills Community Field	Letter from Charles Moore, CEO SOPA to <b>Bas Farag, Newington Gunners FC</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2019	Letter From Charles Moore, SOPA	SOPA advised of the current review of our parklands areas which may uncover possibilities for playing fields in the longer term. The letter also indicated that City of	Letter to <b>Greg Moses, Newington Gunners FC</b> <b>Bas Farag, Newington Gunners FC</b>



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		<p>Parramatta Council had identified Newington Reserve as a potential new playing field but will require in the order of \$1.2M for an initial upgrade.</p> <p>Further to this it noted that the Federal Government had offered the Newington Gunners \$1.8M for facility upgrades prior the Federal election which was rejected by the Club.</p> <p>It concluded that at this stage it would appear there is a combined solution in Parramatta City Council's Newington Reserve and SOPA's Tom Wills Community Field with both facilities requiring funding for upgrades.</p>	
10 September 2019	Email From Greg Moses, City of Parramatta Council	<p>In the email City of Parramatta Council confirms that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Parramatta City FC have agreed to share Eric Primrose Reserve with the Newington Gunners for the 2020 Winter season.</li> <li>2. The City of Parramatta is committed to the redevelopment of Newington Reserve</li> <li>3. The Newington Gunners, GDFSA and Football NSW will be consulted all the way through this project to ensure the best possible outcome for the club and the community. A Concept Design of Newington Reserve of the new facilities was also provided.</li> </ol>	Email to <b>Greg Moses, Newington Gunners, Bas Farag, Newington Gunners, Ben Nilsson Newington Gunners, Robert Cologna</b> , Craig Bagley, SOPA, Tony Houhlias, SOPA, Gabrielle Dracopoulos , Football NSW.
28 September 2019	Community information session	The community information session provided information boards with details about the proposed development. The project team responded to questions asked by the general public.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wilson Park</li> <li>• The project team included representatives from Ethos Urban (Planning), COX (Architecture), and Waypoint and Mostyn Copper (proponent)</li> <li>• 18 interested stakeholders attended the information session including <b>Rob Cologna, President of Newington Gunners FC</b></li> </ul>
8 October 2019	Email	<p>Rob Cologna noted members of the Newington Gunners Club and Newington community were not notified of the community information session.</p> <p>Requested the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• organising a consultation session for Newington residents and mailbox drop the suburb of Newington to invite people to attend</li> <li>• provide Newington Gunners FC with copies of the consultation material in electronic form so we can distribute it to club members and give them an opportunity and appropriate timeframe to email comments to you</li> </ul>	Email from <b>Rob Cologna, President of Newington Gunners FC</b> to Ethos Urban Consultation email address.



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>meet with the appropriate person from the projects team.</li> </ul>	
16 October 2019	Email	Email from Rob Cologna – noting had not received any acknowledgement or response to the email on 8 October 2019.	Email from <b>Rob Cologna, President of Newington Gunners FC</b> to Ethos Urban Consultation email address.
23 October 2019	Email	Confirmed receipt of emails on 8 and 16 October and requested phone number from Rob Cologna to discuss.	Email from Belinda Thomas, at Ethos Urban to <b>Rob Cologna, President of Newington Gunners FC</b>
28 October 2019	Email	Follow up email requesting Rob Cologna's phone number.	Email from Belinda Thomas at Ethos Urban to <b>Rob Cologna, President of Newington Gunners FC</b>
29 October 2019	Phone Call discussion	<p>Rob Cologna provided further feedback from the community information session - requested we consider the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>organising a consultation session for Newington residents and mailbox drop the suburb of Newington to invite people to attend</li> <li>provide Newington Gunners FC with copies of the consultation material in electronic form so can distribute to club members and give them an opportunity and appropriate timeframe to email comments to you.</li> </ul>	Phone call from <b>Rob Cologna, President of Newington Gunners FC</b> to Belinda Thomas at Ethos Urban.
4 November 2019	Email	Requesting written response to previous emails.	Email from <b>Rob Cologna, President of Newington Gunners FC</b> to Belinda Thomas, at Ethos Urban
8 November 2019	Email	Requesting a meeting between representatives from Ethos Urban and Cricket NSW Rob Cologna and Greg Moses next week.	Email from Belinda Thomas at Ethos Urban to <b>Rob Cologna, President of Newington Gunners FC</b>
8 November 2019	Email	<p>Rob accepted invitation for meeting and suggested a time.</p> <p>Rob also requested if can advise in writing whether further consultation with <b>Newington Gunners FC</b> members and the broader Newington community will be undertaken.</p>	Email from <b>Rob Cologna, President of Newington Gunners FC</b> to Belinda Thomas, Planner at Ethos Urban
12 November 2019	Email	Requesting confirmation of email and provide a timetable for response.	Email from <b>Rob Cologna, President of Newington Gunners FC</b> to Belinda Thomas, Planner at Ethos Urban
12 November 2019	Email	Requesting new date to meet.	Email from Belinda Thomas, Planner at Ethos Urban to <b>Rob Cologna, President of Newington Gunners FC</b>
13 November 2019	Email x 2	Confirming Rob Cologna and Greg Moses' attendance at the meeting.	Email from <b>Rob Cologna, President of Newington Gunners FC</b> to Belinda Thomas, Planner at Ethos Urban
20 November 2019	Meeting	Update on the Project design and SDA submission. Presented by Ethos Urban and Waypoint	Attendees <b>Greg Moses, Newington Gunners FC</b>



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			<b>Rob Cologna, Newington Gunners FC</b>  Belinda Thomas, Ethos Urban, Gordon Kirkby, Ethos Urban, Chris Dare, Waypoint Simon Tiverios, Waypoint, Matt Mostyn, Mostyn Copper, Tony Houhlias, SOPA  9am to 10am SOPA Offices Level 8, 5 Olympic Boulevard Sydney Olympic Park
20 November 2019	Email	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requested position on providing the Newington Gunners access to part of the proposed community ground when the new Wilson Park site for Cricket NSW is completed.</li> <li>Requested confirmation of any additional consultation proposed to have with the Newington community regarding the DA</li> <li>Noted separately continue to work with SOPA regarding their broader parklands strategy and the Gunners securing our mid to long term home in Sydney Olympic Park.</li> </ul>	Email from <b>Greg Moses, Newington Gunners FC</b> to project team.
20 November 2019	Email	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requested Greg to provide a field dimension that this age group utilises for the proposed sessions on a Wednesday and Saturday.</li> <li>Additionally the number of these fields required and numbers of participants (and teams).</li> </ul>	Email from <b>Simon Tiverios Waypoint to Greg Moses, Newington Gunners FC.</b>
20 November 2019	Email	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provided dimensions of fields for various age groups and outlined numbers of teams</li> </ul>	Email from <b>Greg Moses, Newington Gunners FC</b> to Simon Tiverios Waypoint
2 December 2019	Email	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requesting follow up on response from previous email.</li> </ul>	Email from <b>Greg Moses, Newington Gunners FC</b> to Simon Tiverios Waypoint
3 December 2019	Email	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notes Cricket NSW are unable to commit to providing the Newington Gunners access to Oval #2 between the beginning of March and end of August</li> <li>Consultation with the community during the public advertising period will be strictly in accordance with the NSW Planning Dept requirements. These requirements do not require CNSW to consult directly with the Newington community.</li> <li>Encourages <b>Newington Gunners FC</b> to continue discussions with SOPA and the City of Parramatta with regards to solutions to <b>Newington Gunners FC</b> future needs</li> </ul>	Email from Simon Tiverios Waypoint to <b>Greg Moses, Newington Gunners FC.</b>