

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: KINGSWOOD SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB OVAL AND LIGHTING USAGE AND PROPOSED LIQUOR LICENCE ALTERATION

Kingswood Oval is located on the corner of Belair Road and Halsbury Avenue, Kingswood and comprises an oval, changeroom/clubroom building, cricket nets, storage shed and playground. The oval and recently upgraded facility are currently used as a home ground by the Unley Football Club and Unley Cricket Club which form the Kingswood Sports and Social Club (The Club).

In 2018, Council undertook a review of the Leasing and Licencing of Council's Sports Facilities and since that time Council have issued new leases and licenses to all sporting clubs for usage of ovals and sporting fields within the City of Mitcham. This process has included the Kingswood Sports and Social Club for their use of Kingswood Oval. The finalisation of a current Lease/Licence agreement for Kingswood Oval and Clubroom/changeroom building has not occurred due to the building redevelopment taking place and the Club wishing to extend their hours of use of the oval. Council have received correspondence from residents in relation to the Football Clubs hours of use and with the Club proposing a slight increase in hours, prior to executing a licence to the Club, Council believes it is appropriate to consult with the community on the proposed hours of use.

This summary has been developed to provide the community with further information and background on the proposed licence for use of the oval, renewal of the existing oval lighting and associated use and proposed liquor licence alteration.

This information will assist in preparing any feedback you may wish to provide during the community consultation period (Thursday 3 February 2022 through Wednesday 2 March 2022) via the following link yoursay.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au/have-your-say-kingswood-oval-usage-times

WHO ARE THE KINGSWOOD SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB?

The Kingswood Sports and Social Club consists of members from Unley Football Club and Unley Cricket Club.

The two clubs have been located at Kingswood Oval for over 30 years and between both clubs have a membership base of over 1000.

1. PROPOSED LICENCE FOR USE OF KINGSWOOD OVAL

Figure 1 – Location of Kingswood Oval



The Club has collated their proposed hours of use for a new licence for their use of Kingswood Oval and are proposing the following hours of use:

Football Use (April – September)

Monday – Friday	3:30pm – 9:30pm
Saturday	8:00am – 8:30pm
Sunday	8:00am – 5:30pm

Cricket Use (October – March)

Tuesday – Wednesday	5:30pm - 7:30pm*
Thursday – Friday	4:30pm – 7:30pm*
Saturday	8:00am – 6:30pm
Sunday	8:00am – 6:30pm

**If an upgrade to lights to support night time cricket was approved the club would be looking to increase their use on Tuesdays and Friday nights to 8:00pm.*

The Club reports that their previous usage which they have stated has been in place for 30 years was as follows:

Football Use (April – September)

Monday – Friday	3:30pm – 9:30pm
Saturday	8:00am – 5:30pm
Sunday	8:00am – 5:30pm

Cricket Use (October – March)

Tuesday – Wednesday	5:30pm - 7:30pm
Thursday – Friday	4:30pm – 7:30pm
Saturday	8:00am – 6:30pm
Sunday	8:00am – 6:30pm

The difference that the Football Club are reporting between what their previous usage in comparison to what they are now proposing is an increase in three hours on a Saturday evening.

The Unley Football Club have provided comments and further detail in relation to their usage in a letter which is provided on the Your Say page.

2. OVAL LIGHTING

Kingswood Oval currently has 4 x 25m light poles with halogen light fittings which are believed to have been installed in 2014/2015 and are used regularly during the football season (April – Sept). The lights in recent years have required regular maintenance. It is proposed that the existing oval lights be upgraded to LED to assist with increased energy efficiency and be in line with relevant standards.

Football Lighting Standards are 4 x 25m light poles with 150 LUX Infield and Outfield

Cricket Lighting Standards are 4 x 27m light poles with 300 LUX Infield and 200 LUX Outfield

It is proposed that these LED lights will be used in line with the proposed general hours of use, particularly by the Football Club who currently use the oval outside of daylight savings time. If an upgrade to lights to support night time cricket was approved the club would be looking to increase their use on Tuesdays and Friday nights to 8:00pm.

3. PROPOSED LIQUOR LICENCE ALTERATION (ALCOHOL SALE AND CONSUMPTION)

Kingswood Sports and Social Club have operated a bar since the original clubroom was built in the 1970's and according to Consumer Business Services were issued a liquor licence in 1998.

The Club currently have a liquor licence to sell alcohol within the existing building and the area of the small balcony which was previously on the building prior to its extension. As a result of the facility upgrade the Club are now required to apply for an alteration to the licenced area, particularly the balcony extension with the new proposed licence area outlined in red in the images below.

Figure 2 – Kingswood Oval Clubroom/Changeroom Ground Floor

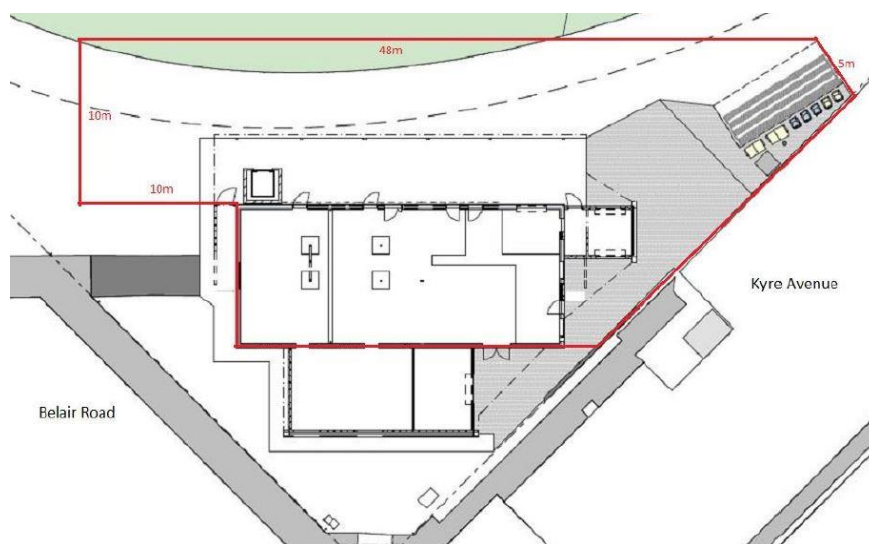
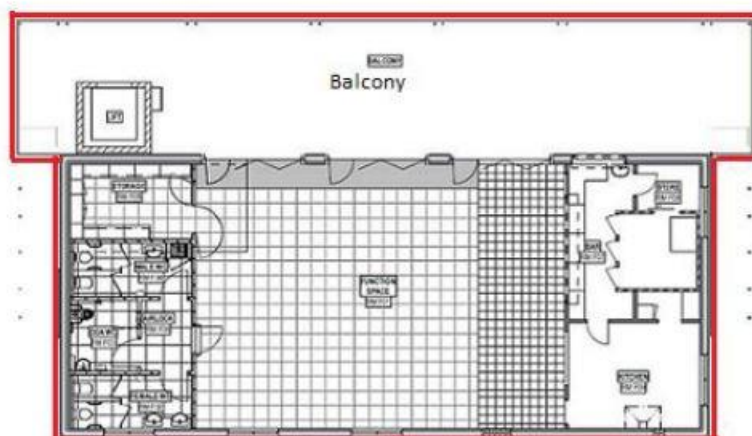


Figure 3 – Kingswood Oval Clubroom/Changeroom First Floor



Each year the Club apply for an extension to their licenced area for the sale of alcohol from their canteen and ground floor area for Finals and other events. This results in the Club contacting Council requesting approval to do so and they are also required to pay a fee for each application. The Club are now requesting that the area under the balcony as shown in Figure 2 is licenced all year so that they no longer have to pay one off fees or request approval from Council each time.

The Club are seeking a reduction in their existing liquor licence hours. The Club have stated that they generally begin serving at around 11am most days. Therefore, following hours are being proposed:

Monday – Wednesday	11:00am – 9:00pm
Thursday	11:00am – 11:00pm
Friday	11:00am - Midnight
Saturday	11:00am - 1:00am the following day
Sunday	11:00am – 9:00pm

HAVE YOUR SAY

For more information including accessing letters outlining the Clubs proposals and to complete the online survey please visit yoursay.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au/kingswood-oval-usage

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