Minutes 24 July 2025



Port Macquarie-Hastings Sports Council

Present

Councillors and Staff:

Councillor Nik Lipovac (Chairperson)

Councillor Lisa Internann (Alternate)

Director Community Planning and Environment (Melissa Watkins)

Group Manager Liveable Communities (Lucilla Marshall)

Recreation and Community Strategy Manager (Katrina Boulet)

Kirsty Speelman (Secretariat Service)

Community and Business Representatives:

AFL North Coast, Brad Greenshields

Basketball NSW, Cristi Juffermans

NSW Touch Football, David Stone

Football Mid North Coast, Gregg McDonald

Cricket NSW, Kate Jackson

Cricket NSW, Trent Sigalas

Tennis NSW, Sonia Close

Port Macquarie Hockey Association, Simon Thresher

Group 3 Rugby League Referees Association, Tim Gumbleton

Port Macquarie Little Athletics, Trudi Wilmot

Hastings Valley Netball Association, Linda Dewbery

The meeting opened at 4.01pm.

01 **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY** The Acknowledgement of Country was delivered. 02 **APOLOGIES** That apologies received from the following be accepted: **Barry Spencer** James Turton. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES** 03 Consensus: That the Minutes of the Port Macquarie-Hastings Sports Council Meeting held on 27 May 2025 be confirmed. 04 **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST** There were no disclosures of interest presented. 05 **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES** Nil **Draft Recreation and Open Space Action Plan 2025-2030** 06 Consensus: That the Port Macquarie-Hastings Sports Council: 1. Noted the information provided in this report

2. Recommend the projects for inclusion in the Draft Recreation and Open Space Action Plan 2025–2029, to be presented at the August 2025 Ordinary Meeting of Council.

07 Sporting Venue Sponsorship Program Investigation

CONSENSUS:

That the Port Macquarie-Hastings Sports Council:

- 1. Note the information contained in the April 2025 Council report in Attachment 1 Investigate a Sporting Venue Sponsorship Program and the additional feedback from the Port Macquarie Hastings Sport Council.
- 2. Recommend that Option 2 Develop a policy be presented to the August 2025 Ordinary Council Meeting for consideration.
- 3. Port Macquarie-Hastings Sports Council to undertake a further review of the policy prior to adoption.

08 General Business

Consensus:

That the Port Macquarie-Hastings Sports Council:

- 1. Council to distribute the Have Your Say website link for feedback on the proposed Sporting Fees and Charges.
- 2. Council to note the proposed NSW Cricket Carnival scheduled for December 2025.
- 3. Note that Cricket are advertising for a new curator. Inquiry raised regarding the outcome if the recruitment process is unsuccessful.
- 4. Note the current Committee's tenure concludes in October 2025. A revised charter will be prepared and presented to Council, followed by an Expression of Interest process for membership, and then returned to Council for adoption.

The meeting closed at 4.58pm.