



KINGSTON HAWTHORN CRICKET CLUB

Date: 9 November 2022

The Hon. Ros Spence
Minister for Community Sport

Dear Minister Spence

Re: South-East Sports Hub

The Kingston Hawthorn Cricket Club formerly supports the South East Sports Hub and wishes to advocate for the benefits of this project for the cricket community.

As one of the Premier Cricket Clubs in the state, we understand the need for fit-for-purpose facilities in the region. We have been proactively identifying opportunities for new facilities for the past 5-10 years and are familiar with the current shortages of high-quality facilities, and also the challenges associated with finding new facilities.

As a newly merged Premier Club we have quickly recognized a distinct shortage of turf cricket facilities within our region, and are currently utilizing a second rate Council facility, with changing amenities that do not meet the standards required of Cricket Victoria.

The SESH is a once in a lifetime project for the community and we specifically note:

- The benefits of creating 70 hectares of new, integrated community recreation facilities in Bangholme (City of Greater Dandenong).
- The SESH has been master planned and designed to specifically address immediate and forecast needs for the region over the next 25+ years, particularly for the nearby municipalities of Dandenong, Kingston, and Frankston.
- SESH will assist Cricket Australia and Cricket Victoria in its strategic community cricket infrastructure development and activation priorities within the Southern, Eastern and South East Metropolitan region.
- The project will enable our club to expand our pathway program for aspiring and talented cricketers in the region.
- The project will enable our club to provide more programs and development opportunities to the next generation of cricketers in the region.
- Once approved the first phase of development is not reliant on any public funding and will support the Government's economic stimulus and job-creation priorities.

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Cricket is a sport with highly visible and successful role models for young girls and boys.

Major events such as the WBBL, BBL and locally-hosted World Cups create significant opportunities to grow the sport and the health and social outcomes of having young people participating.

We would like to see you and your colleagues support the SESH to enable this project to be delivered for the community.

I'd be happy to elaborate further if so desired.

Kind regards

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Brett Sebire
PRESIDENT