

<b>Sporting Facilities Support Review Consultation Feedback</b>	
<b>Peter Herbert - Grennough Oval (Rovers FC)</b>	
<b>Response</b>	<b>City Comments</b>
<p>The Rover Football Club is seeking your support in reviewing the criteria for the Club in being reassessed as a Tier 2 service level ground.</p> <p>The Club considers within the following criteria we can improve our scoring for advance into the next tier: Demand</p> <p>Could the calculations for the ground users be revisited.</p> <p>I consider the ground usage would be comparable to Woorree park, Mullewa Rec, Alexander park, 8th Street West and Rec Ground.</p> <p>Suggested Scoring - 1.5</p>	
<p>Profile</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Upgrade of Clubrooms – The Club has recently invested in excess of \$50,000 into the upgrade of the facilities which includes the following areas:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. All internal walls – gyprock fitted and painted</li> <li>2. Ceiling maintenance and painted</li> <li>3. Lighting upgrade</li> <li>4. Carpet replacement</li> <li>5. Security system upgrade</li> <li>6. Projector/large screen and speaker installation</li> </ol> </li> <li>• A new bistro has commenced offering the Club and community a vast arrangements of meals.</li> <li>• Club Newsletter is attached for your information</li> </ul> <p>The current facility would equal any Tier 1 facilities throughout the region.</p> <p>Suggested Scoring – 2</p>	
<p>Community Expectations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Woorree, Deepdale and surrounding suburbs allow for a rural lifestyle, with city convenience and very low volumes of traffic. For residents seeking large lots close to the city and sea these suburbs are becoming extremely popular and the area is continually expanding.</li> </ul> <p>It has been noted that families expect a recreational space within 5-10 minutes of their house of residence. The grassed area is also important for young families and the Greenough Oval is the only high class</p> <p>Suggested Scoring – 2</p>	
<p>Cost</p> <p>Uncertain how this area is calculated</p> <p>Suggested Scoring - ?</p>	
<p>Diversity &amp; Multi-use</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Greenough Oval is listed as single use – the following sporting Clubs/organisations also utilise the oval:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Batavia Mariners AFL Masters – Train twice weekly and host several carnivals during season – Under LIGHTS</li> <li>2. AFL 9's – two competitions. November/December and Late January/February one night per week – Under LIGHTS</li> <li>3. Softball Association – Utilise ground/facility during State Competition Late August</li> <li>4. Baseball Association has enquired into utilising the ground this year for 2 pitches for events</li> </ol> </li> <li>• Popular exercise resource for the surrounding community</li> </ul> <p>Suggested Scoring - 2</p>	

<p>Strategic Alignment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Within the Sporting Futures Report and subsequent follow up sporting community reviews all sporting clubs/grounds users have submitted projects and development areas which have been prioritised based on specific criteria.</li> </ul> <p>During this process the Rover Football Club had been advised that they were to be relocated from the Greenough facility to the Southern Districts Sporting Facility. Over a period of approximately five years COGG staff including CEO Tony Brun had numerous meetings with the Club addressing sensitive areas relating to the relocation. The committee was extremely proactive throughout this era and encouraged the benefits of the relocation to disgruntled members.</p> <p>During this time and up until recent times the Club has been reluctant to invest capital funds or submit for grants/development areas due to the innethable. This was totally supported by COGG community sporting officers</p> <p>Our Club considers the following statement within the Report is a general view that would have formed a basis in the working groups scoring of our Club in the strategic alignment area and we consider it misrepresenting in the current status involving relocations and developments - "The City has identified the Greenough Oval, home to the Rover Football Club, as a land development opportunity due to the fact that the land is 'freehold' to the City and not subject to the same state government conditions as other recreational spaces within the City. Negotiations with the Rover Football Club over several years has led to an 'in-principle' agreement that Rover Football Club be relocated to the Southern Districts Sporting Facility allowing this land development to proceed. Net return from the land development would be used to provide premier oval facilities at Southern Districts Sporting Facility."</p> <p>Due to the Southern Districts venue being delayed indefinitely Rover FC considers the Club should be rated the same as other football grounds until some certainty is tabled for our committee/members to work with. This is due to willingness of our Club to cooperate with the City during sensitive discussions and the financial investment the club has outlaid throughout the years.</p> <p>Suggested Scoring – 2</p>	<p>Noted SP should be at a tier 2 along with other football grounds from meeting with them.</p>
<p>Tier 3 – Sub standard or lack of Service levels</p> <p>Tier 3 does not support the Club facility and ground users in the following service levels:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is no toilet and change room maintenance</li> <li>• Line marking at the commencement of the year</li> <li>• Boundary fencing upgrades</li> <li>• Arena fencing</li> <li>• Goal posts upgrades</li> </ul>	
<p>The following areas I will be discussing with several COGG staff on the quiet to provide some insight before submitting:</p> <p>The proposed reduction of wetting agents used on the oval will have devastating effect on the playing surface over future years as the ground maintenance staff have fought to bring the surface up to standard with salt contaminants</p>	<p>GG also happy to alter their level to a 2.</p>
<p>Check the amount of mowing and upkeep (i.e fertiliser, Herbicide etc)</p>	
<p>In summary the Rover Football Club is fully supportive of the Tier system as it creates a basis to overcome the perceived opinion of the uneven levels of funding and the differing levels of support given to sporting groups. The Club however is still concerned that throughout this current system</p> <p>.</p>	