Appendix 25

Badminton

Badminton currently has extensive single purpose facilities which provide for their immediate and long term needs.

The courts are recognised as being amongst the leading facilities in the state; however the building is quite aged and will shortly enter a period where it will require significant renovation or redevelopment.

The site of Badminton is also critically in the alignment of the proposed recommend multi-purpose facility. Such an impact was assessed to be unavoidable as the existing building is within the most logical alignment of a new (north south structured) multiuse use stadium. The existing building also is in a position which aligns with the most optimal road entry solution for the precinct via a new roundabout and extended car parking arrangement.

Proposed Arrangements

The recommendation regional proposes the integration of badminton into the proposed new common user facility. How the recommendation is that badminton is provided an exclusive enclosed area which re-uses the existing high quality flooring. Such a proposal would yield a 3 court facility. For larger events and growth the 6 multi-use courts would provide significant capacity.

Interim Arrangements

It is recognised that during a redevelopment phase that Badminton would be adversely impacted. It is proposed that during such a period that they are provided alternate facilities such as access to venues such as the currently being developed indoor facility at Nagle.

Basketball & Netball

One of the most significant issues raised during the consultation period, has been the request from Netball and Basketball to remain autonomous or independent.

The original proposal recommended in this report facilitates such an outcome based on the continuation of their respective facilities in their current form. However the report clearly identifies that any future indoor hall expansion would be at a common multi-use facility.