



9 January 2013

Mr. Tony Brun  
CEO  
City of Greater Geraldton  
Civic Centre  
Cathedral Avenue  
Geraldton WA 6530

Dear Tony

I am writing to confirm the support of Football Federation Australia (FFA), the national governing body of the sport, for the La Fiamma Sporting Club's submission to the "Sporting Futures Report".

I have been briefed on the proposed development of the club's Salvatore Sciuto Stadium and associated facilities and am of the opinion this investment would deliver many community benefits for Geraldton and the surrounding region.

The development is needed to improve the facilities, which in the view of FFA is a prerequisite to increased participation in the sport. To this end, the funding would benefit not only La Fiamma, but also the Geraldton Junior Soccer Association and the Midwest/Gascoyne Junior Academy, which share the facility.

In particular, the proposed upgrade of the venue and floodlights would allow FFA to support the Geraldton football community's desire to host more high-profile matches involving Football West and Perth Glory.

As a club with 450 members and over 300 active players, La Fiamma Sporting Club has made a substantial contribution to the health and well-being of the Geraldton community over the club's 54 year history. The funding the club has requested can only increase the benefits that active sport participation delivers.

On behalf of FFA, I offer my endorsement to the La Fiamma submission and look forward to hearing about the progress of football in Geraldton in the years ahead.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Gallop', written over a white background.

**David Gallop**  
Chief Executive Officer

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