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Have your say on western suburbs sporting needs

People living in the City of Cockburn's western suburbs are encouraged to have their say about future sporting and recreation facilities and reserves in the area.

A survey can be completed at the City's community engagement portal Comment on Cockburn at https://comment.cockburn.wa.gov.au/ until 24 August.

The City has completed a Western Suburbs Sporting Precinct Study draft report to analyse the future recreation needs for suburbs west of Stock Road where the population is expected to increase from 34,108 to 57,211 people over the next decade.

The study investigated increasing the use and capacity of existing and potential future sporting sites, plus the estimated cost of development works:

- Beale Park (\$9.11m)
- Lucius Park and Dalmatinac Park (\$3.02m)
- Edwardes Park and Watsons Park (\$3.22m)
- Wally Hagan Basketball Stadium and Dixon Park (three options ranging from \$17.23m -\$36.17m)
- Davilak Oval (\$7.66m)
- Santich Park (\$1.48m), and
- The proposed Cockburn Coast oval (\$3.99m).

Some of the report's other recommendations include lease negotiations with Landcorp about the Cockburn Coast oval proposal, talks with Main Roads WA about acquisition of the road reserve adjacent to Wally Hagan stadium and Dixon Park, and geotechnical, heritage and environmental assessments to further establish remediation costs for the Wally Hagan, Dixon Park and Davilak Reserve sites.

The City has sent more than 6,000 letters to people living within 400m of these locations to encourage participation in the survey.

Meetings are also being held with more than 25 community groups to discuss the draft report, with the results of community consultation due to come before Council by the end of the year.

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