

Request to be heard?: No

Precinct: Sandridge

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Organisation: Port Melbourne Football Club

Affected property:

Attachment 1: 14th_December_

Attachment 2:

Attachment 3:

Comments: Fisherman's Bend Draft Framework Submission. The Port Melbourne Football Club are providing this submission on behalf of the Club and all Club Members (1,167 individuals). The Port Melbourne Football Club has been located at its current location at North Port Oval (NPO), 252 Williamstown Road, for over 140 years and has been an institution within the community. The Club has grown and evolved with the community throughout this time and wishes to continue to provide support and a sense of identity to the community moving forward through to the next stages of evolution of the precinct. The Club has identified the upcoming changes to the revised planning framework as an opportunity to strengthen its role within the community to provide further social and recreational support to the local residents, new and existing. We have identified short, medium and long term opportunities for our Club to work with State Government, Local Government, the AFL as well as other community organisations to achieve a high level of community benefit. We ask that the Fisherman's Bend Planning Taskforce take the following items within this submission into account in their final Planning Framework submission to the Planning Minister's Office; 1. North Port Oval – Sporting Precinct We request that the planning authority consider the North Port Oval and surrounding sites to serve the community as a high performance sporting precinct with the development of both open and enclosed facilities for the use of high performance athletes as well as that of the local community. Development opportunities may include but are not limited to; a training oval with running track, enclosed basketball court(s), high performance training facility/ community gym, sports medicine facilities and suites, community recreational headquarters/ office, low standing tiered seating stadium with change room and sports mixed use facilities, café' and or mixed use buildings (i.e PMFC History Museum). 2. North Port Oval – Potential Master Planning Development The Club has requested that the CoPP upgrade the ground surface. The AFL have identified North Port Oval as being one of the premier second tier stadiums in Melbourne. AFL Victoria have made note that the oval is under consideration to be a premier playing field for AFL Women's and AFL Victoria Women's as well as training facility for the AFL Umpires whilst continuing to be the AFL men's premier stadium. Such uses would require the use of the ground for football full time for 12 months of the year. These High performance, professional and semi-professional sporting competitions are well televised throughout the state and highlight the location of the ground as well as the Port Melbourne area/ Fisherman's Bend Precinct in general. Should this potential be realised the ground and associated facilities would be available for community use as well. Community uses may include but is not limited to; Junior Football, Primary School Sports,

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2. North Port Oval – Potential Master Planning Development

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Should this potential be realised the ground and associated facilities would be available for community use as well. Community uses may include but is not limited to; Junior Football, Primary School Sports, Primary School Football Carnivals, High School Sports, Community Football (Reclink).

A stadium upgrade may include but is not limited to the following; a new low level grandstand catering for several thousand people, new change room facilities, new indoor sports training facility, new light towers and ground lights, removal of the cricket pitch (and relocation of the cricket club).

We request that the planning authority consider the above when finalising the Planning Requirements of the surrounding rezoned sites as well as master planning for the recreational facilities of the entire precinct.

Specifically we request that the planning authority have a focuses on converting North Port Oval into the premier Football facility in the Fisherman's Bend Precinct.

In order for the ground to meet AFL standard requirements for the uses listed the above, the ground and its facilities would have to be upgraded which may occur at a later date. To that end we request that the Planning Authorities consider the following;

- Should Ingles street ever be narrowed than we'd request consideration be given to extend the eastern boundary of North Port Oval into the newly created open space created by the road narrowing.
- We'd request that planning requirements for neighbouring sites consider the potential light pole and lighting upgrade to facilitate twilight and evening matches.
- The ground maintains a level of security during after hours periods.

3. North Port Oval – Fenced Security

The Club understands that the Draft Planning Framework aims to encourage and result in further open space for sports and recreational purposes through master planning and development planning requirements. It is also clear that the sites surrounding the North Port Oval will be/have been compulsory acquired by the authorities so that those sites will be converted into recreational open spaces.

Should the surrounding sites to North Port Oval be converted to open space, the Club wishes to note that a level of site security will be required to securely close the North Port Oval to ensure that the ground, grandstand, Sandridge Function Centre and all other assets of the Club secure from trespassers, vandalism and other breaches of security.

The Club proposes that this detail of Ground Security is worked through with the appropriate planning authorities and stakeholders to ensure that level of fenced security is maintained whilst public access when required is facilitated in a welcoming and open manner.

4. North Port Oval – Overshadowing by Development.

It was noted that in the Draft planning framework sites located north of North Port Oval have the opportunity to achieve unlimited height as per the proposed Floor Area Ratio requirements. It has also been noted that the Fisherman's Bend Planning authority had considered the potential overshadowing of the oval in their draft planning framework but it is the Clubs understanding that this is only during certain periods, i.e the summer equinox.

Due to the intended uses 12 months of the year at the ground, for both training and games, we request that the planning authority consider an absolute zero overshadowing effect to the North Port Oval for all periods of the year.

5. Integration of Club History with establishment of the New Community

The Club requests that the planning authorities consider the Clubs history when working through the naming of newly created streets, laneways, parks etc.

The Club has had over 2000 players and officials contribute to its long history with some individuals contributing significantly to the Port Melbourne Community as well as providing exceptional service to the Football Club.

The Club also requests that the planning authority considers requirements to embrace the history of the community (including the football club) with the street architecture, development architecture as well as elements of street art and interior design for public and private developments.