



RECREATION & CULTURE POLICY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

5 AUGUST 2025

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 that a **RECREATION & CULTURE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING of ORANGE CITY COUNCIL** will be held in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE** on **Tuesday, 5 August 2025**.

David Waddell

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

For apologies please contact Executive Support on 6393 8391.

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS, SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

The provisions of Chapter 14 of the Local Government Act, 1993 (the Act) regulate the way in which Councillors and designated staff of Council conduct themselves to ensure that there is no conflict between their private interests and their public role.

The Act prescribes that where a member of Council (or a Committee of Council) has a direct or indirect financial (pecuniary) interest in a matter to be considered at a meeting of the Council (or Committee), that interest must be disclosed as soon as practicable after the start of the meeting and the reasons given for declaring such interest.

As members are aware, the provisions of the Local Government Act restrict any member who has declared a pecuniary interest in any matter from participating in the discussion or voting on that matter, and requires that member to vacate the Chamber.

Council's Code of Conduct provides that if members have a non-pecuniary conflict of interest, the nature of the conflict must be disclosed. The Code of Conduct also provides for a number of ways in which a member may manage non pecuniary conflicts of interest.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Committee Members now disclose any conflicts of interest in matters under consideration by the Recreation & Culture Policy Committee at this meeting.

2 COMMITTEE MINUTES

2.1 MINUTES OF THE SPORT & RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING - 18 JUNE 2025

RECORD NUMBER: 2025/1353

AUTHOR: Ben Keegan, Sport and Recreation Coordinator

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Sport & Recreation Community Committee met on 18 June 2025 and the recommendations for this meeting are provided to the Sport & Recreation Policy Committee for adoption.

LINK TO DELIVERY/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The recommendation in this report relates to the Delivery/Operational Plan strategy “13.3 Provide opportunities for widespread and quality engagement and, where appropriate, shared decision making”.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

- 1 That Council acknowledge the reports presented to the Sport & Recreation Community Committee at its meeting held on 18 June 2025.**
- 2 That the minutes of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee from its meeting held on 18 June 2025 be adopted.**

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Consideration has been given to the recommendation’s impact on Council’s service delivery; image and reputation; political; environmental; health and safety; employees; stakeholders and project management; and no further implications or risks have been identified.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 SRCC 18 June 2025 Minutes**
- 2 SRCC 18 June 2025 Agenda, D25/75324**

ORANGE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE

SPORT & RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

HELD IN COMMITTEE ROOM 3, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE

ON 18 JUNE 2025

COMMENCING AT 5:30 PM

1 INTRODUCTION

ATTENDANCE

Cr Tammy Greenhalgh (Chairperson) (Deputy Mayor), Cr Graeme Judge, Cr M Ruddy, Cynthia Jarratt, Chris Doucas, Jodie Kelly, Brendan Stuart, Ken McCarron, Mark Thomas, Kate Pulbrook, Peter Solomon, Director Community, Recreation and Cultural Services, Sports and Recreation Coordinator.

1.1 Apologies and Leave of Absence

RESOLVED

Cr G Judge/Member C Doucas

That the apologies be accepted from Cr Melanie McDonell, Cr Gerald Power, Cr Jamie Stedman, Liam Dilon, Shahreen Alford, Judy Tarleton and Adam Horton for the Sport & Recreation Community Committee meeting on 18 June 2025.

1.2 Acknowledgement of Country

The Chairperson conducted an Acknowledgement of Country.

1.3 Declaration of pecuniary interests, significant non-pecuniary interests and less than significant non-pecuniary interests

Nil.

2 PREVIOUS MINUTES

RESOLVED

C Doucas/Cr G Judge

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee held on 9 April 2025 (copies of which were circulated to all members) be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee meeting held on 9 April 2025.

3 PRESENTATIONS

3.1 CHAIRPERSON PRESENTATION - RECREATION & CULTURE POLICY COMMITTEE - 6 MAY 2025

TRIM REFERENCE: 2025/1194

Cr Greenhalgh advised the Committee that the recommendations in the minutes of the previous Sport & Recreation Community Committee meeting were considered at the Recreation & Culture Policy Committee meeting on 6 May 2025 and were adopted without discussion.

RECOMMENDATION**Cr M Ruddy/Cr G Judge**

That the Chairperson's presentation regarding the Recreation & Culture Policy Committee meeting of 6 May 2025 be noted.

4 GENERAL REPORTS

4.1 SPORT AND RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN - 2025

TRIM REFERENCE: 2025/1130

RECOMMENDATION**C Jarratt/K McCarron**

That the Sport & Recreation Community Committee Action Plan be reviewed and updated.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.45PM.



SPORT & RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

18 JUNE 2025

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 that a **SPORT & RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING of ORANGE CITY COUNCIL** will be held in the **COMMITTEE ROOM 3, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE** on **Wednesday, 18 June 2025** commencing at **5:30 PM**.

David Waddell
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

For apologies please contact Ben Keegan on 6393 8535.

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EVACUATION PROCEDURE

In the event of an emergency, the building may be evacuated. You will be required to vacate the building. The Committee Clerk will now identify the emergency muster point.

Under no circumstances is anyone permitted to re-enter the building until the all clear has been given and the area deemed safe by authorised personnel.

In the event of an evacuation, a member of Council staff will assist any member of the public with a disability to vacate the building.

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SPORT & RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

18 JUNE 2025

1 INTRODUCTION

MEMBERS

Cr Tammy Greenhalgh (Chairperson) (Deputy Mayor), Cr Graeme Judge, Cr Melanie McDonell, Cr Gerald Power, Cr M Ruddy, Cr Jamie Stedman, Gary Norton, Cynthia Jarratt, Chris Doucas, Jodie Kelly, Brendan Stuart, Ken McCarron, Liam Dillon, Shahreen Alford, Judy Tarleton, Mark Thomas, Adam Horton, Kate Pulbrook, Peter Solomon, Matthew Chisholm, Director Community, Recreation and Cultural Services, Manager City Presentation, Recreation Planner, Sports and Recreation Coordinator, Community Project Officer

1.1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

1.2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet today, the people of the Wiradjuri Nation. I pay my respects to Elders past and present, and extend those respects to Aboriginal Peoples of Orange and surrounds, and Aboriginal people here with us today.

1.3 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS, SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

The provisions of Chapter 14 of the Local Government Act, 1993 (the Act) regulate the way in which Councillors and designated staff of Council conduct themselves to ensure that there is no conflict between their private interests and their public role.

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Committee Members now disclose any conflicts of interest in matters under consideration by the Sport & Recreation Community Committee at this meeting.

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2 PREVIOUS MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee held on 9 April 2025 (copies of which were circulated to all members) be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate records of the proceedings of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee meeting held on 9 April 2025.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Minutes of the Meeting of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee held on 9 April 2025

ORANGE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE
SPORT & RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE
HELD IN COUNCILLORS WORKROOM, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE
ON 9 APRIL 2025
COMMENCING AT 5:30 PM

1 INTRODUCTION

ATTENDANCE

Cr Tammy Greenhalgh (Chairperson) (Deputy Mayor), Cr Melanie McDonell, Cr Gerald Power, Cr Graeme Judge, Chris Doucas, Ken McCarron, Liam Dillon, Judy Tarleton, Mark Thomas, Kate Pulbrook, Sports and Recreation Coordinator, Strategic Engineer (Courtney Smolenski)

1.1 Apologies and Leave of Absence

RESOLVED

Cr G Power/Cr G Judge

That the apologies be accepted from Cynthia Jarratt, Jodie Kelly, Shahreen Alford, Adam Horton for the Sport & Recreation Community Committee meeting on 9 April 2025.

1.2 Acknowledgement of Country

The Chairperson conducted an Acknowledgement of Country.

1.3 Declaration of pecuniary interests, significant non-pecuniary interests and less than significant non-pecuniary interests

Nil.

2 PREVIOUS MINUTES

RESOLVED

Member L Dillon/Member K McCarron

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee held on 5 June 2024 (copies of which were circulated to all members) be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of the Sport & Recreation Community Committee meeting held on 5 June 2024.

MINUTES OF SPORT & RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

9 APRIL 2025

3 GENERAL REPORTS

3.1 SPORT & RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE - CHARTER

TRIM REFERENCE: 2025/508

RECOMMENDATION

Cr T Greenhalgh/Cr G Power

That the Charter for the Sport & Recreation Community Committee be adopted with the following amendments:

- Membership – Up to 15 community members and minimum 3 Councillors
- Quorum – At least five community members and two Councillors.
- Meeting Frequency – Quarterly with specific dates and times to be determined by the Committee.

3.2 SPORT & RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE - CODE OF CONDUCT

TRIM REFERENCE: 2025/509

RECOMMENDATION

Member K Pulbrook/Cr G Power

That the Sport & Recreation Community Committee acknowledge the requirements set by the Code of Conduct, and members commit to act in accordance with the Code of Conduct at all times while on Committee/Council business.

3.3 SPORT & RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE - 2025 MEETING DATES & TIMES

TRIM REFERENCE: 2025/510

RECOMMENDATION

Member C Doucas/Member L Dillon

That the Sport & Recreation Community Committee meetings be held quarterly at 5.30pm on the first Wednesday of the month commencing from Wednesday, 4 June 2025.

3.4 OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION STRATEGY & ACTIVE TRANSPORT STRATEGY

TRIM REFERENCE: 2025/538

RECOMMENDATION

Cr M McDonell/Member K McCarron

That the Sport & Recreation Community Committee note the report on the Open Space and Recreation Strategy & Active Transport Strategy.

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9 APRIL 2025

3.5 SPORT & RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN - 2025

TRIM REFERENCE: 2025/512

RECOMMENDATION

Cr G Power/Member K Pulbrook

1. That the Sport & Recreation Community Committee notes the outgoing Committee's Action Plan.
2. That the Sport & Recreation Community Committee consider and discuss items to be included on the New Action Plan.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.40PM.

SPORT & RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

18 JUNE 2025

3 PRESENTATIONS

3.1 CHAIRPERSON PRESENTATION - RECREATION & CULTURE POLICY COMMITTEE - 6 MAY 2025

The Chairperson will inform the committee of any amendments to the recommendations from the previous Sport & Recreation Community Committee meeting that were adopted by Council.

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4 GENERAL REPORTS

4.1 SPORT AND RECREATION COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN - 2025

RECORD NUMBER: 2025/1130

AUTHOR: Ben Keegan, Sport and Recreation Coordinator

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Attached for information and discussion is the Sport and Recreation Community Committee Action Plan.

LINK TO DELIVERY/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The recommendation in this report relates to the Delivery/Operational Plan strategy "15.3. Provide opportunities for widespread and quality engagement, and where appropriate, shared decision making".

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

That the Sport and Recreation Community Committee Action Plan be reviewed and updated.

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Consideration has been given to the recommendation's impact on Council's service delivery; image and reputation; political; environmental; health and safety; employees; stakeholders and project management; and no further implications or risks have been identified.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Sport & Recreation Community Committee Action Plan - 2025, D25/64745

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COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN

SPORT & RECREATION

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ACTION OR PROJECT	COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN REFERENCE	TASKS	RESPONSIBILITY OF	COST IMPLICATIONS	START DATE	END DATE	COMMENTS/PROGRESS
Pedestrian/Cycle connection between Machin Park north and south (Franklin Road and Gardiner Rd)	2.4		Council Property and Legal Team	To be determined if/when the property is sold.			A flag has been placed on the property file of 79 Gardiner Road so when the property is placed on the market for sale, Council will have the opportunity to consider purchasing.
Installation of Bike Maintenance Stations	2.4		Ben Keegan	\$1,500			Bicycle maintenance stations were installed at the Lake Canobolas Mountain Bike Park and Moulder Park Velodrome. The Moulder Park Velodrome station was removed due to continued vandalism. A new station will be purchased and installed in the new financial year.
Installation of half/quarter court basketball at various locations throughout the City	2.1			To be determined			Consideration to be given to installing half or full basketball courts in the north (possibly Brendon Sturgeon Oval) and western areas of the City.

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Expansion of the Orange Hockey Centre to include an additional artificial turf field (water based) on the existing cricket field.	2.1			To be determined			Orange Hockey completing a major upgrade to the Smith Field with financial support from Council and the State Government. Given the Association's financial commitment to the upgrade of the Smith Field construction of an additional synthetic field would only be possible with significant funding from external sources.
Extension of Sir Neville Howse Stadium (PCYC) to accommodate continued growth of user groups	2.1			To be determined			Concept plan completed in 2020. Next phase will be the preparation of DA documentation for the project.
Review Open Space Plan/ Recreation Needs Study	1.1 2.1 7.1		Open Space and Recreation Strategy Project Team		March 2025	December 2025	Council has awarded the contract for the development of the Orane Open Space and Recreation Strategy to Cred Consulting. The Strategy is to provide the evidence base to support the ongoing planning of Orange's public open space and recreation network. The Strategy is to support Council by providing strategies and actions that can support Council in developing contributions plans, negotiating planning agreements, and provide an implementation plan that can support Council's Delivery and Operational Plans.

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							Community consultation has commenced with Committee members actively encouraged to participate.
Review and update Active Travel Plan including the continued development of the City's shared path network	2.4		Active Travel Plan Project Team		May 2025	December 2025	Council has engaged The Institute for Sensible Transport to develop Council's new Active Transport Strategy and Implementation Plan. The Active Transport Strategy provides a strategic blueprint to guide investment and policy decisions to increase people's access to walking and cycling. Community consultation has commenced with Council seeking feedback on how residents travel around now and for what purpose, and what are the barriers that stop residents walking or cycling more. Committee members are encouraged to participate by completing online surveys or attending one of the two workshops on 25 & 26 June 2025.
Investigate the implementation of an exercise trail for the elderly.	2.1 2.2						Project to be considered as part of the Orange Space and Recreation Strategy.
Additional amenities at	2.1			To be determined			Council to investigate options for possible expansion of existing

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Brendon Sturgeon Oval							amenities building or constructing a separate building at the venue.
Orange Regional Sporting Precinct	2.1		Scott Maunder and Sports Precinct Project Team	State Government has allocated \$59.5M to the project with a further \$15M from the Federal Government			Construction of the 8 multipurpose fields has been completed with a handover to Council in July. The Development Application for the John Davis Stadium (main stadium) and Athletic amenities building has been lodged. Detailed designs for both buildings are being finalised with tenders to open in June/July. Following an Expressions of Interest for construction of the Stadium, Council will be running a selective tender process with 6 companies invited to tender.
Mt Canobolas Mountain Bike Trail Centre	2.1						Council submitted an independent environmental assessment to the State Government and has been advised of the detailed requirements that need to be supplied for further consideration. Council to consider options as part of future budget discussions.
Playground projects	7.1		Ben Keegan	\$80,000 – allocated for Alf Read Park playground renewal	August 2025	September 2025	Contract for the renewal of the Alf Read Park playground in Spring Hill has been awarded with work to commence in August 2025.

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Indoor playground				To be determined	TBC		Council has made several attempts to seek an interested external party to develop an indoor play facility in Orange without success. Councillors recently attended a briefing and workshop to discuss the potential for a Council led project.
Future squash court provision in Orange	2.1						The Orange Squash Club continues to use 3 squash courts that have been retained by the owners of One Strength (gym) in Moulder St, however it is unclear if this facility will remain a long-term option for the Club.
Pump Track	2.1				TBC		Concept plan developed for a pump track on the old netball courts on Moulder Park. Awaiting a suitable grant program for funding opportunities.
Parkour Park	2.1				TBC		Concept plans developed. Awaiting a suitable grant program for funding opportunities.
Indoor Learn To Swim Centre	2.1				TBC		Concept plan developed for a purpose built facility to be constructed within the grounds of the Orange Aquatic Centre. Awaiting a suitable grant program for funding opportunities.