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Sent: Monday, October 16, 2023 10:46 AM
To: Lisa Miscamble <Lisa.Miscamble@wsc.nsw.gov.au>
Cc: Stephen.Jones.MP@aph.gov.au; 'Taylor, Angus (MP)' <Angus.Taylor.MP@aph.gov.au>; 'ElectorateOffice Goulburn' <ElectorateOffice.Goulburn@parliament.nsw.gov.au>; 'ElectorateOffice Wollondilly' <ElectorateOffice.Wollondilly@parliament.nsw.gov.au>; Shaun Robinson <Shaun.Robinson@wsc.nsw.gov.au>; 'CE Mailbox' <ce@sport.nsw.gov.au>
Subject: Re Community and Recreational Sports Facilities Strategy

Dear Lisa,

We hope this finds you well.

Please see attached letter re CRFS.

From your early days in the Shire I believe you saw the value in the proposed SHISH and supported us in stadium upgrades by way of letters of support and support in Council.

We encourage to bolster that support by giving our proposal serious consideration.

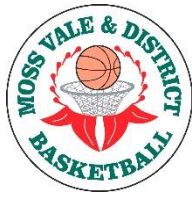
We are also concerned the downsizing of Lackey Park Regionals Sports Hub, effectively dismisses Gymnastics new home, a rapidly growing sport, particularly for children?

Also attached a series of local, business, local and state sporting bodies and political letters of support for your information.

Regards

On behalf of the MVDBAI Board.

Paul Barcicki
Director MVDBAI
Asset and Sponsorship
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Attn Ms L Miscamble,
General Manager
Wingecarribee Shire Council
October 17. 2023.

Dear Lisa,

Re Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub,

The Board acknowledges the proposal by Council to continue to support Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Inc in pursuit of funding and the provision of letters of support to secure the construction of the Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub as part of the Community and Recreational Facilities Strategy.

We would, however, reiterate our request of 10/10/2021 for financial support from a WSC grant, up to \$110,000, to conclude all DA studies for the SHISH.

Clearly, as can be seen in the feedback from the public exhibition of the Community and Recreational Facilities Study, bearing in mind many of the responses to the survey, in favor of the Lackey Park Regional Sports Hub Masterplan, INCLUDED the SHISH, the decision of Council to separate the SHISH from Lackey Park after the fact is questionable. There is significant support from the community for the project and attached is a list of community sporting and political letters of support held by the association, attachment 1, letter of support from the Office of Sport, Attachment 2, and significantly a letter from Chief Inspector John Klepczarek Hume Police and Disaster Action Management, highlighting the significance of the project in community safety in a bush fire prone area, Attachment 3.

There has been a significant delay in progressing SHISH due to Council studies etc. As Council and MVDBAI had previously entered into a MoU to progress LPRSH, including SHISH, to DA status, MVDBAI and WSC invested significant time and money into DA studies which would now appear to be wasted. MVDBAI have already invested 1000's of voluntary hours and over \$65,000 in members funds into the project. Given further support from WSC this work can be utilised in the DA application for the SHISH in isolation.

Stephen Jones MP has repeatedly stated, without a DA the SHISH is just a great idea, with a DA it is a project he is happy and willing to support. We have continued expressions of support from Angus Taylor MP, Wendy Tuckerman MP, Judith Hannan MP, a letter of support from the Office of the Chief Executive, NSW Office of Sport. Our experience is that "DA approval" is required to receive government funding for these projects.

Since the Tredwell 'drop-in' to the MVDBAI stadium we have completed over \$700,000 in stadium upgrades with State and Federal Government grants. We have an email from Steven Manning,

Regional Manager, South East and Tablelands, Office of Sport, 8/9/2021 confirming;

The current Regional Sports Facility Fund Guidelines state for a project to be eligible, it must take place on one of the following land types within NSW, and as part of the application, the applicant must provide a signed letter of consent from the landowner for the project on the land on which the facility is to be developed:

- Crown Reserve Land;
- land owned by a public authority (for example, municipal property);
- land held for public purposes by trustees under a valid lease, title or trust deed that adequately protects the interests of the public;
- land vested in NSW Aboriginal Land Councils under the NSW Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983; and
- *private land that benefits the community's interests in sport and active recreation.*

The funding guidelines and eligible land types may change from one grant to another. These funding guidelines will be published when each fund is opened for applications.

The grant applications for funding these upgrades have been based on ongoing staged improvements to the current stadium, supported also by the (WSC GM) letter of support, in line with the ultimate goal of establishing the SHISH.

The recommended Motion for the October 18, 2023, Council Meeting appears to block any funding for the MVDBAI project for the life of the strategy? With respect, we would like to see this amended to say Council “May provide funding” opening the options for current and future administrations to invest should they see fit. We would have thought the current administration would like to be seen as open and progressive, not another pothole in the WSC road to the future.

We request WSC amend the recommendation to Council (IA), as per the 18/10/2023 agenda, and grant the funding of up to \$110,000 to MVDBAI to complete studies and submission to DA for SHISH. This would seem to be an insignificant amount to WSC given the council's funds and time already invested on studies etc for this project, but this is holding back MVDBAI progressing. By comparison, the significant time and members funds already invested in this valuable community project by MVDBAI it would seem WSC's investment in DA process would be warranted. The Administrator proposed support for MVDBAI by WSC with letters of support and funding applications is mute without a DA.

The recommendation to WSC to immediately pursue an aquatic and indoor sports facility in the north, funded by future developer contributions, may take 10 to 15 years given the WSC capital plan to upgrade the Mittagong treatment works, after Moss Vale and Bowral, in line current approved developments, lack of location, business plans etc. These factors alone may make a facility in the north unacceptable, then where would the community be without a plan B? The SHISH is significantly advanced in design, planning, community and political support, business planning. Once the DA is complete the project can quickly progress applications for funding, final designs etc. We request the strategy be amended to support SHISH by way of funding the DA studies and fees and leave open the option for future funding if Council see fit.

Regards

Paul Barcicki (Life Member)
Director Asset and Sponsorship
Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Inc.



Attachments 1

List of Letters of Support

- LOS Basketball NSW
- LOS Dept of Sport 09032022
- Ongoing support from Wendy Tuckerman MP and Judith Hannan MP.
- LOS, Nathaniel Smith Former State MP
- LOS, Stephen Jones Fed MP
- LOS, Angus Taylor Fed MP
- LOS, Hon Wes Fang Former State MLC
- LOS Office of Sport CEO 6/10/23
- LOS, Principal St Paul's Primary School
- LOS, Tom Porter, Former Publican, Hotel Moss Vale
- LOS, Highlands Hockey
- LOS, Hockey NSW
- LOS, Netball NSW
- LOS, Volleyball NSW
- LOS, Highlands Soccer
- LOS, Soccer (Football) NSW
- LOS, Illawarra Academy of Sport
- LOS, Moss Vale Gymnastics
- LOS, Southern Highlands Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- LOS, Chief Inspector John Klepczarek Hume Police and Disaster Action Management
- LOS, Wingecarribee Shire Council 2018.
- LOS, Local Indigenous representative Mellissa Wiya.
- Support offered by The Hon Natalie Ward MLC, Former Minister for Sport
- WSC letter of commitment to SHISH project; Commitment from WSC to collaborate with combined Lackey Park and SHISH projects, finance all combined DA studies and consider finance SHISH specific studies. Aim is to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding on commitment Feb 2021, shovel ready by July 2021, Nov 2021 now TBD.

WSC/MI Associates Feasibility Study, October 2020, Lackey Park Regional Sports Hub Masterplan.

Attachment 2

The Office of the Chief Executive
NSW Dept of Sport,

Dear Mr Barcicki,

Thank you for your correspondence of 7 September 2023 regarding indoor sport infrastructure in the Wingecarribee Shire.

I would like to acknowledge the recent completion of the Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub upgrade and thank Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Incorporated for delivering the project supported by a NSW Government grant of under the 2021/22 Regional Sport Facility Fund.

The Office of Sport is currently undertaking the 2023 Future Needs of Sport Infrastructure Study survey. This survey collects information on sport and active recreation infrastructure priorities across NSW from councils and State Sporting Organisations to provide an evidence-base to help support Government decision-making.

The NSW Government, through the Office of Sport, administers grant programs to assist participation in sport and active recreation, including facility development. Information about grant programs, including the opening of the recently announced \$30 million Level the Playing Field Program, is available at the Office of Sport's website at www.sport.nsw.gov.au/grants.

A further resource of NSW Government funding is available at www.nsw.gov.au/grants-and-funding. The Australian Government also provides grant information on the GrantConnect website which is available at <https://help.grants.gov.au>.

I encourage the Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Incorporated to explore grant opportunities as they become available and to continue to liaise with Basketball NSW and Wingecarribee Shire Council to garner support for the the Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Stadium project.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Sincerely,

Karen Jones

Chief Executive

Attachment 3

Paul Barcicki

Director

Moss Vale & District Basketball Association Inc.

Po Box 76

Moss Vale NSW 2577

RE: Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub letter of support

To whom it may concern

I am writing this letter in support of the Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Incorporated following a presentation of architectural plans and designs for the Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub and the Lackey Park Regional Sports Hub.

As the Chief Inspector - Officer in Charge of the Southern Highlands Police Station I am encouraged by the development and community support shown to young person and community within the Southern Highlands. Your new development proposal will give a cross section of our local community a state of the art facility which can be used by young and old.

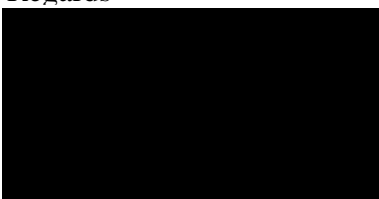
I would like to provide further support of your proposal in my capacity as the Local Emergency Operations Controller (LEOCON) for the Wingecarribee Shire. Your proposed development will provide the Local Government (LGA) Area genuine option for a mass Evacuation Centre for the local community in a time of emergency. As we saw last summer, catastrophic weather events occur in our LGA we need to have the option for a safe venue for a large amount of people if needed. During last years fire season, I was requested to identify a venue for people from outside our area to be housed temporarily in a safe and comfortable location. I did make inquires with your current venue about this possibility which you strongly supported. Your current venue provides for a basic option, but your proposed development would meet the new criteria for a community evacuation centre.

Your proposed development would also give the Local Emergency Management Committee an alternative location on this side of the LGA for an Operations Centre for the emergency services to work from.

This proposed development has many possibilities for our local community, which is why I have strongly supported your application.

Please do not hesitate to give me a call if you require any further information, or if those assessing your application would like clarification about the issues I have raised in this letter. I wish you success in your application and development.

Regards



John KLEPCZAREK
A/Superintendent
The Hume Police District
12 September, 2020

Letter of Support Cover Sheet

Proposal: Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub

Basketball New South Wales: Self-Assessment Table	
Identification	
Organisation/Association/Club	Moss Vale and District Basketball Association
Project Name/Description	Southern Highland Indoor Sports Hub – Lackey Park
Project Codename or Reference	Nil

Basketball New South Wales Strategic Goals Alignment 2016 – 2020					
BNSW Strategic Pillars		BNSW Strategic Event or Activity		SportAus FTEM Framework Athlete	
Facilities	●	Community	●	Foundation	●
Participation	●	Domestic	●	Talent	●
Culture & Inclusion	●	Regional	●	Elite	
Awareness		State	●	Mastery	
Competition	●	National			
Elite Pathways		International			
Leadership		Professional			
Centre of Excellence					

NSW Office of Sport Goals Alignment					
Key Objectives		Key Design		Key Financial	
Increases the number and type of sport facilities	●	Is a Regionally Significant Facility	●	Project Cost is between \$500k and \$5m.	●
Improves the standard of existing sport facilities	●	Is a Sport Hub/Precinct		If greater than \$1m, a \$250,000 contribution is guaranteed by applicant(s).	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increases participation in sport	●	Has a “Female Friendly” project goal	●		
Matches Future Needs of Sport study	●	Has a “Minority and Disadvantaged Group” goal	●		
		Is a Multisport Venue	●		

Criteria: ● Met In Progress Not Met

Letter of Support (continued)

Proposal: Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub



Basketball New South Wales
Underwood Road, Homebush
New South Wales
4th August 2020

Wingecarribee Shire Council

and

Mr. Chris Alleyn of Moss Vale and District Basketball Association

Please accept this letter in support of the proposed Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub at Lackey Park in Moss Vale, New South Wales.

Moss Vale and District Basketball Association is a long standing and enthusiastic member of Basketball New South Wales. With around 700 members, the Association is regarded as a significant regional association that attends BNSW events on a regular and successful basis. The management team provide a place for people of all ages and abilities to play casual or organised basketball throughout the year, giving everyone a chance to be part of a broader community.

MVDBA has a growing base and also provides indoor court space and facilities for other sports in a facility that can no longer accommodate anymore patrons. Approximately 15 years ago the Association identifies the need for new facilities and has been tirelessly working toward a project that will make this a reality. The latest proposal adds additional court space and integrates with the wider project concepts at Lackey Park. A successful project will mean the stadium can increase the number of people who attend the stadium on a regular basis and also provide new or expanded activities in:

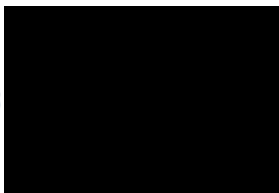
- Netball
- Indoor Hockey
- Futsal
- Volleyball
- Badminton
- Martial Arts, and
- Gymnastics

Such a centre also provides an often overlooked contribution to regional areas, encouraging development in roles for Sports Officials, Exercise Science, Small Business and Club Administration. These roles and opportunities can often be fulfilled by people looking for work-experience and achieving the high goals of Duke of Edinburgh Award schemes.

Please support this important project.

Regards

Jeremy Purden



Infrastructure & Partnerships, Basketball New South Wales

D22/14327

Mr Paul Barcicki
Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Inc
PO Box 76,
MOSS VALE NSW 2577

Email: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr Barcicki

Thank you for your correspondence of 22 September 2021 regarding the Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub. Please accept my apology for the delay in responding. The Minister has asked that I respond to you on his behalf.

Indoor sports facilities and regional sports hubs are essential components for building active communities. [The South East and Tablelands Sport and Active Recreation Plan](#) outlines some strategies to address this outcome under the 'Fit for Purpose Facilities' stream.

From discussions between the Office of Sport and Wingecarribee Shire Council (WSC), I understand that WSC is revisiting the Lackey Park Regional Sports business case and are seeking a single report that reviews the Lackey Park Sports Hub and the Southern Highlands Sports Hub to take both from current design to detailed design.

I have asked our regional delivery team to monitor this project and continue offering support in relation to the proposal. I also note that the Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Inc was recently successful with a Regional Sports Facility Fund grant to the value of \$546,477 for Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub Phase 1 Existing Facility Upgrade. This grant funding is an excellent step towards upgrading the existing facility, and I wish you success in completing the upgrade.

Should you wish to discuss local infrastructure planning further, please contact Mr Steve Manning, Regional Manager, South East and Tablelands, Office of Sport, via email at: steve.manning@sport.nsw.gov.au.

Thank you for taking the time to write.

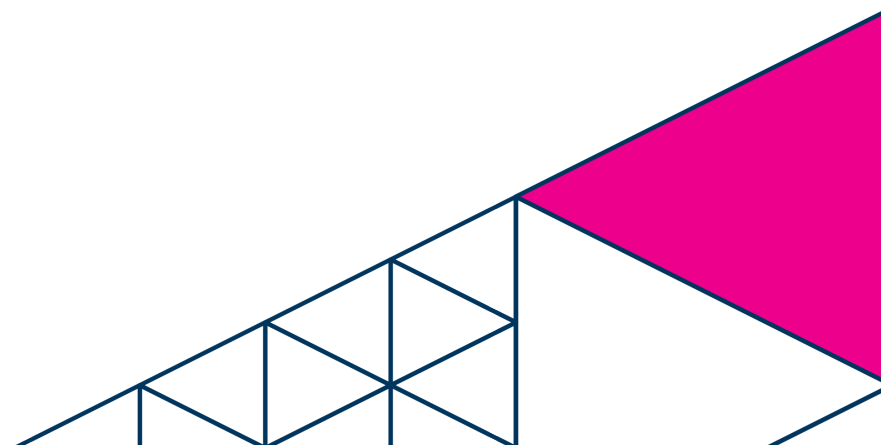
Yours sincerely



Karen Jones
Chief Executive
8 March 2022

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6th September 2021

Mr Paul Barcicki
Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Incorporated

Dear Mr Barcicki,

Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Inc. (MVDBAI) - Facility Refurbishment

I write in support of your endeavour to refurbish the Moss Vale and District Basketball Association's facility.

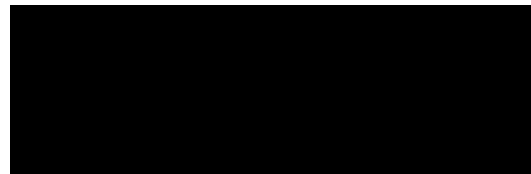
The MVDBAI has serviced the Southern Highlands for over 60 years, currently operating with approximately 700 members who come from a wide range of ages, abilities and backgrounds. The facility and its programs provide benefits of both physical and mental health to their members and visitors.

I understand that the MVDBAI facility floorboards and backboards are in desperate need of repair and without upgrade could result in reduced use of the facility and subsequently reduced membership.

The *Wingecarribee Shire Council Regional Economic Development Strategy: 2018-2022* (REDS) framework prioritises sport and recreation. Specifically, upgrade and development of the basketball facilities to for the benefit of regional competitions and cultural events, with the aim to bring visitors and economic activity to the region. The REDS supporting analysis also details that the Wingecarribee LGA is has ample sporting facilities at the end of their economic life and require refurbishment and upgrade. The indoor basketball facility is 'shovel ready' and could be used for multiple purposes including cultural and entertainment events.

I commend the Moss Vale and District Basketball Association on their application and initiative. I wish you every success with this project.

Yours sincerely,



Wendy Tuckerman, MP.
Member for Goulburn



Nathaniel Smith MP
Member for Wollondilly



16th February 2021

Mr Paul Barcicki
Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Incorporated

Dear Mr Barcicki,

I am writing with regard to the proposal by the Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Inc. (MVDBAI) to develop advance plans for an Indoor Sports Hub. Although the location of the Sports Hub falls just outside my electorate, I am aware that many of my constituents would make good use of this facility.

The Wingecarribee LGA was severely impacted by the 2019/20 bushfires and COVID-19 pandemic and I believe that the completion of this project would provide benefits to the community in their recovery from events of the last year.

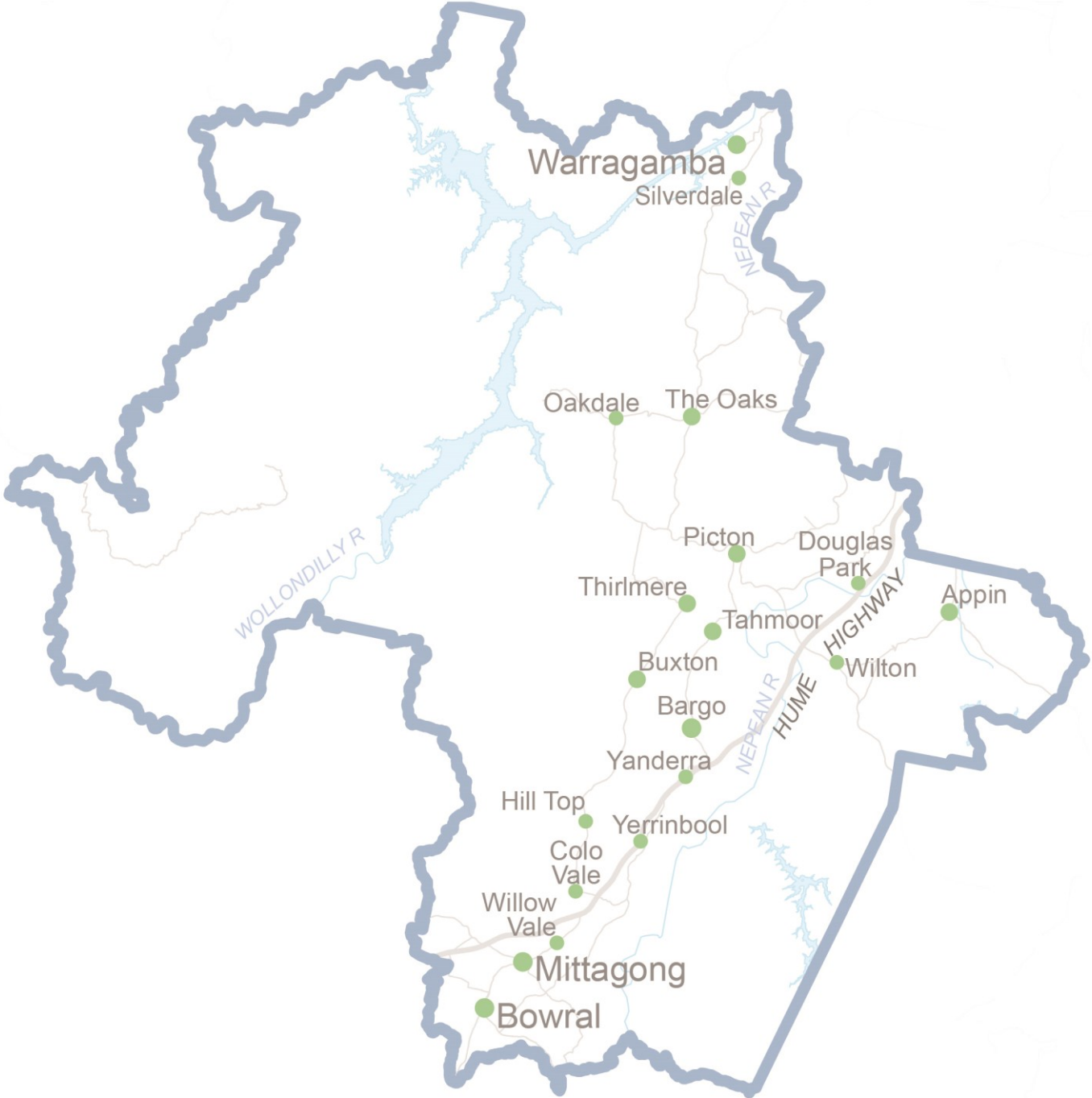
The MVDBAI has serviced the Southern Highlands for over 60 years and have operated with around 700 members from a range of backgrounds, ages and abilities. It is the centre point for the Wingecarribee Shire Council in which many of my constituents live and therefore will use. The MVDBAI has had a significant impact on the wider community including those in my electorate who use your facility for recreational and fitness purposes and will continue to do so in the near and distant future.

As an avid sportsman myself, I endorse the Moss Vale and District Basketball Association on project and drive to provide better service to the members in the community. I wish you all the best with this project.

Kind regards,

Nathaniel Smith
Member for Wollondilly

Wollondilly Electorate



A strong local voice for Wollondilly.



STEPHEN JONES MP

FEDERAL MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT

1 June 2021

To whom it may concern

I write in support of the proposed Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Centre (SHISC), a multi-purpose facility that will join the existing facilities at Lackey Park in Moss Vale to create a Regional Sporting Hub.

SHISC will facilitate multiple sports and major events in the Southern Highlands. The proposed stadium in conjunction with the current stadium will provide 6 basketball courts, up to 6 netball courts and at least two indoor soccer or hockey courts. Additionally, it is proposed that there will be capacity for badminton, volleyball, gymnastics, martial arts, and cricket.

Given that Wingecarribee Shire has been identified by the NSW State Government as one of the fastest growing Local Government Areas, with an anticipated 16 per cent population increase by 2031, there needs to be an adequate local sporting facility where residents are able to stay fit while having fun.

Local sporting events hosted in the Goulburn Veolia Arena prove how successful regional sport can be. Moreover, having an indoor sports facility helps provide flexible recreational opportunities to support diverse lifestyle and working arrangements, with indoor sport a growing alternative to outdoor grass-based sport. The temperature extremes in the Southern Highlands have been accounted for in an indoor facility that is insulated and includes natural air flow designs to ensure the year-round provision of sport and activities.

The SHISC will accommodate 800-1000 people comfortably, enough to allow visiting national and sports teams to play locally.

Furthermore, the SHISC will contain a commercial standard Café kitchen that will benefit local industry and the larger community, as well as a meeting and administration center for all Southern Highlands sporting groups.

The SHISC will provide an estimated economic benefit to the community of approximately \$29 million over twenty years. It has been announced that the SHISC will be powered by sustainable energy and aims to have a minimal environmental footprint.

It is imperative that the Southern Highlands have access to a modern multi-purpose sporting facility. I am delighted to support this proposal for a Regional Sporting Hub.

Yours sincerely 



Stephen Jones MP
Federal Member for Whitlam
Shadow Assistant Treasurer
Shadow Minister for Financial Services and Superannuation





ANGUS TAYLOR MP
FEDERAL MEMBER FOR HUME

A strong voice for Hume



Paul Barcicki
Director MVDBAI
Asset and Sponsorship

Dear Paul

Letter of Support – Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub

I am pleased to support the proposed Indoor Sports Hub in Moss Vale. The location of the Sports Hub falls just outside my electorate, however, would provide a venue that would have substantial participation from Hume residents.

The LGA of Wingecarribee was severely impacted by the 2019/20 bushfires and then COVID-19 pandemic. A project such as this, which thus far will house 6 different sporting organisations, would be of tremendous benefit to these communities in their recovery by promoting physical activity. It will provide the communities with a positive focus and opportunity to strengthen their identities in the wake of the events of 2019/20.

I am a keen sportsman and see the value in type of facility, it has the potential to be a first class venue which will attract visitors from outside the area to visit Wingecarribee Shire.

This initiative will support the broader economy of these areas and benefit these communities through the attraction of visitors from out of the area. The location of the Sports Hub Park and proximity to the Illawarra, Goulburn and Metropolitan area would see the facility be well utilised. It will also showcase the local area, grow the local and regional economies, by providing employment and attracting tourism. It will benefit the local communities through their participation in sporting activities which promotes both physical and mental health.

The bushfires impacted significantly on the people of Hume, their economy, individual's properties and their mental health. Although a resilient community, I believe projects like this would provide an invaluable community hub to help them into the future.

I believe it is an exceptional venture and I would be delighted to see the Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub become a reality.

I am delighted to support in principle the proposed endeavours of all the stakeholders involved.

Yours sincerely

ANGUS TAYLOR MP
Federal Member for Hume

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HON **Wes Fang** MLC
MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

29 October 2020

Mr Paul Barcicki
Director of Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Inc

Dear Mr Barcicki

I am writing with regard to the proposal by the Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Inc (MVDBAI) to develop an indoor sports hub in the Southern Highlands of NSW (SHISH).

Such a central activity space would facilitate multiple sporting and major events and would add significant value to the Southern Highlands community.

Sporting facilities are an important means for developing stronger community relationships as well as the physical and mental well-being that is linked with fitness and recreational activities and pursuits.

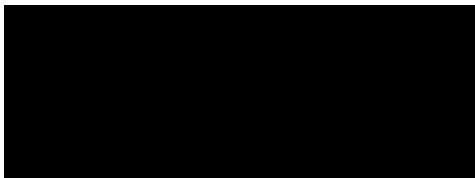
Organised sport carnivals throughout Australia are a growing economic and social initiative ranging from junior sporting carnivals to university and master level championships.

I believe the SHISH would provide a valuable service to the greater Southern Highlands community, of all ages, and increase community activity, act as a potential emergency evacuation centre, increase tourism, and contribute significantly to the Highlands community income.

As such, I am supportive of this important initiative.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on (02) 9230 2888 or wes.fang@parliament.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely



The Hon Wes Fang MLC



Mr Paul Barcicki
Director
Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Inc.
PO Box 76
Moss Vale NSW 2577

Email: [REDACTED]

Re: Indoor sport infrastructure in Wingecarribee Shire

6 October 2023

Dear Mr Barcicki,

Thank you for your correspondence of 7 September 2023 regarding indoor sport infrastructure in the Wingecarribee Shire.

I would like to acknowledge the recent completion of the Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub upgrade and thank Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Incorporated for delivering the project supported by a NSW Government grant of under the 2021/22 Regional Sport Facility Fund.

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I encourage the Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Incorporated to explore grant opportunities as they become available and to continue to liaise with Basketball NSW and Wingecarribee Shire Council to garner support for the the Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Stadium project.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

Karen Jones

Chief Executive

PORTERHOUSE

BISTRO

MOSS VALE
HOTEL

5th August 2021

Mr Paul Barcicki

Moss Vale & District Basketball

Dear Paul,

Re: Basketball Association Facility Refurbishment and Sporting Hub in Moss Vale.

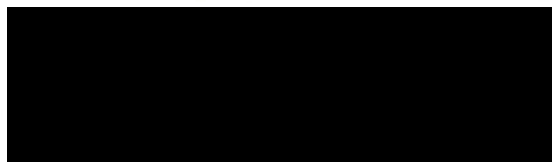
I am writing to you to support the application that you have submitted to the NSW Government for a grant to improve the current facilities, and to develop a first-class Indoor Sporting Hub, that will benefit several different sporting groups within the Wingecarribee Shire.

The Moss Vale and District Basketball Association has been servicing the Southern Highlands for over 60 years, of which I have been a sponsor for the past 35 years. The Association has been instrumental in furthering the sporting careers of many sportspersons in the Southern Highlands.

I understand that the current facility is in need of some upgrading in the Administration and Canteen areas, and the timber flooring needs to be replaced.

I think that this is a great proposal by the Association and I wish them every success with the project.

Yours sincerely,



Tom Porter

Moss Vale Hotel



SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS HOCKEY Inc.

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Bowral NSW 2576

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DATE 18^h March 2020

Dear All Concerned

RE: Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Facility Project

We are writing to extend our strong support for the proposed Multipurpose Indoor Sports Facility located at Moss Vale.

Southern Highlands Hockey has for a long period of time now been participating in NSW indoor hockey state programs without the ability to run our own indoor competition. This does have an effect on our ability to promote the full package of what our sporting brand has to offer.

2019 saw an opportunity for Southern Highlands Hockey and Moss Vale Basketball come together to be able to run our Representative hockey program and training at the Basketball Stadium. This had a massive effect on our development and participation. At the 2019 NSW State Championships We took away multiple teams across all of our age groups. Where in the past we have been lucky to field a team in each. Just to have the facility to provide a training program saw a considerable growth, with five of the 11 junior teams playing Semi Final hockey in NSW State Tournament. It is a massive achievement for our Association to compete at this level without playing in a regular competition.

U13s Boys – 2 Teams

U13s Girls – 3 Teams

U15s Boys – 1 Team

U15s Girls – 2 Teams

U18s Boys – 2 Teams

U18s Girls – 1 Team

We would love the opportunity to once again have our own indoor competition with the full support of our affiliated clubs Mittagong HC, Moss Vale HC, Robertson HC, Bowral HC, Burrawang Revels HC, Burrawang Mens HC and Mittagong Sports HC.

Not only would we be able to have our own competition again, it would give us the ability to apply to host State Championships and really showcase the Southern Highlands and what we as a community have to offer.

Yours sincerely
Dan Parker

SHHI Representative



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04 March 2022

To Whom It May Concern

RE: SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS MULTIPURPOSE INDOOR SPORTS STADIUM

Hockey NSW would like to offer our full support to the Southern Highlands Multipurpose Indoor Sports Stadium project.

Hockey NSW is the peak body for the sport of Hockey in NSW. As such, the organisation has oversight of the development of appropriate facilities, pathways and activities which impact participation and sporting progression.

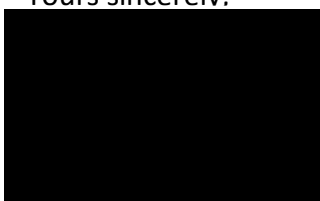
Hockey NSW recognises the potential for this project to be regionally significant and a key contributor to promoting community participation, inclusion and cohesion. This project aligns with Hockey NSW's strategic drivers of supporting hockey clubs and associations in increasing participation opportunities across all levels of hockey and strongly advocating for the development of quality facilities that can support this participation growth.

The development of this facility will help meet projected demand for the region as well as provide the opportunity to positively influence increased sport and active recreation, ultimately leading to significant contributions to the health, economy, social wellbeing and liveability of the Southern Highlands region.

The project has the potential to meet the facility design requirements to host state level events, that provide a substantial financial benefit to local business. Hockey NSW State Championships are held over three days, with an average of 512 participants and 1,280 spectators, providing an estimated \$1M financial injection to the local economy.

Hockey NSW fully supports the proposed project given the potential to not only drive increased participation in hockey but also enhance the opportunity for increased competition and event attraction to the area.

Yours sincerely,



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April 27th 2022

Letter of Support for Moss Vale Basketball Association of the Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Centre

To whom this may concern

As the State Sporting Organisation for Volleyball in NSW and the state member to Volleyball Australia, I am writing this letter in full support of Moss Vale Basketball Association for the planned construction of the Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Centre.

Volleyball is a rapidly growing sport across Australia driven by multiple factors including the recent success at the Tokyo Olympics with our women's team winning a Beach Volleyball Silver Medal. Locally, Illawarra Volleyball Association drives Volleyball in this area and is one of our biggest affiliates. Volleyball is also an active member of the RASi network with the biggest program in NSW being based in the region.


The construction of the Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Centre will allow for a greater reach for the sport in the area and allow more people to engage at all levels with the sport. This venue will allow for VNSW to proactively encourage events and activity to the location which could include, but not limited to, recreational competitions & training, weekly competitive leagues, RASi Training groups, Junior State & National Development Camps and State level competitions.

VNSW has an active and positive relationship with Basketball NSW supporting each other in several projects for the benefit of local communities and each sport as a whole. This project would seamlessly be included in the scope of the relationship.

VNSW is extremely excited to support Moss Vale Basketball Association in this project and will closely work with all stakeholders to ensure the venue has a positive impact to the sport and local community.

I am more than happy to discuss this further should more information be required.

Yours sincerely



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12 August 2022

Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub
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Ref: 2022/061

Dear Paul,

Re: Letter of Support – Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub

I write to confirm that Football NSW offers its support for the development of the four court multi-purpose facility in the Southern Highlands.

The complex links directly to the NSW Football Infrastructure Strategy and the five key pillars of the strategy. The strategy recognises that football demand is already exceeding facility supply with the sport's large numbers across the state and country. The above project strongly aligns to the pillars, Planning for Growth and Demand and Inclusive Football Facilities within the strategy.

This complex will dramatically increase capacity and quality of futsal courts in the Highland Soccer Association region. The venue would have the potential host tournaments such as the Football NSW School Futsal Championships. The school futsal championship is a competition against a variety of schools, i.e., state, private and independent schools. The Futsal Schools Championships has several age categories to offer, from Primary (10 years) to Secondary (Opens), male and female.

Highlands Soccer Association currently hold the Futsal licence for the Highlands area. There is demand for Futsal in the Wingecarribee Shire exceed 600 players year-round. The market demand far exceeds indoor playing space capacity in a Shire that does not have any dedicated indoor sport facility except for the existing MVDBA facility in Moss Vale.

If this project is successful in receiving grant funding it has the potential to support increased participation in futsal and enhance the overall sporting experience of community futsal members.

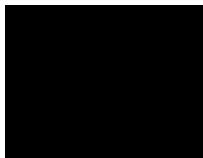
With Australia and New Zealand hosting the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup we expect there to be a huge spike in girls' participation right across Australia and NSW. Previous men's World Cups (overseas) and Asian Cups (hosted in Australia in 2015) has seen growth in participation with Australia. With these previous signs we can pre-empt similar spikes in growth with a home World Cup.

Football estimates that there will be another 187,000 new female participants in Australia by 2027 due to the flow on effects from the Women's World Cup. An increase in participation requires widespread investment in infrastructure to ensure no participant, male or female misses the opportunity to participate in the world game.



Football NSW supports the development of a multi-purpose indoor facility in the Southern Highlands. This project will allow players of all abilities, coaches, referees, and volunteers to enjoy their futsal experience whilst at the venue. We know this project will make a significant and long-lasting contribution to football and all the participants from the local community.

Yours sincerely,



Daniel Ristic
Manager – Government Relations, Funding, and Infrastructure
Football NSW



Letter of Support – Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Centre

To Whom it may concern,

The Illawarra Academy of Sport is very happy to provide a letter of support for the construction and development of an advanced Indoor Sports facility such as is proposed with the Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Centre (SHISC).

The IAS clearly recognize the need for appropriate sporting facilities in the regional areas and the proposal presented for the SHISC enables the progression and development of multiple sports and major events in an area that is important to the Southern Highlands community and adjoining areas.

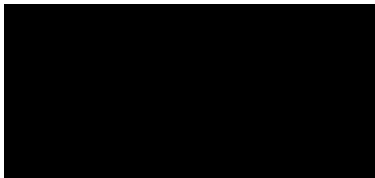
Catering for Basketball and Netball at its core, the facility proposes to be able to cater for 6 Basketball courts, up to 6 Netball courts, a minimum of 2 indoor soccer/Futsal courts or 2 Indoor hockey courts. In addition, Badminton, Volleyball, Gymnastics, Martial Arts and Cricket can all be accommodated within the proposed activity areas.

This multi-purpose approach is essential for the development of each of these sports and to enable appropriate athletic progression. The IAS is proud to provide the support and development opportunities for emerging talented athletes within the Wingecarribee Shire and the development of this complex will be an essential boost to the region in this regard. Without effective and modern equipment and facilities, the IAS is limited in its capacity to develop the athletes to the level required to be competitive in Australia.

Additional to its playing space, the forward-thinking design of incorporating a “sporting administration hub” is in line with prospective building developments in the Illawarra and Shoalhaven region and one that will enable the continued growth of the sports within the region.

We fully endorse the development and the essential upgrading of facilities in the region to enable better representation of athletes at the local, regional and national level.

Yours sincerely



John Armstrong
CEO Illawarra Academy of Sport

27 April 2022



Highlands Soccer Association (Inc.)

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17 July 2022

Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub) SHISH)
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Attn: Paul Barcicki – Director

Re: Letter of support for the development of SHISH

Firstly, on behalf of Highlands Soccer Association Inc., I commend MVDBA on the sustained effort to identify the need, develop a concept to meet the need and follow through with a strategic plan to enable a hopefully near future delivery of a multi-sport facility in the Wingecarribee Shire.

Soccer (football) in the Highlands is generally only available as an outdoor sport in the Wingecarribee Shire and is often affected by weather. Participation in competition matches, recreational/social games, skill training is often affected by the weather.

Winter football participation of playing members exceeds 1600 players in winter and exceeds an additional 1000 players in summer.

Our 12 Member Clubs and Schools, our playing members, their families and supporters support the development of a facility that would enable access to football indoors for training and without doubt, FUTSAL (FIFA, FFA and Football NSW affiliated indoor soccer structure).

Highlands Soccer Association currently hold the FUTSAL licence for the Highlands area with very limited access to one court at the PCYC facility in Mittagong. This facility can service approximately 50 players only. A commercial operator using hired space in a community hall in the north of the Wingecarribee Shire in Hilltop conducts a social competition at capacity with approximately 50 players.

There is a market demand for FUTSAL in the Wingecarribee Shire that exceeds 600 players year round. The market demand far exceeds indoor playing space capacity in a shire that does not have any dedicated indoor sport playing facility except for the existing MVDBA facility in Moss Vale which itself is unable to meet capacity demands for basketball or any other sport or community activity.

Additionally, a minimum of 2 regional/state FUTSAL events could be accommodated at the proposed SHISH facility per annum (per HSA Inc. feedback and as noted Table-6 of the MVDBA commissioned 'Feasibility and Facility Concept Design Southern Highlands Multi-Purpose Indoor Sport Centre' final report February 2016).

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There is no current indoor sport facility capable of meeting the demands for FUTSAL and the SHISH proposal is best placed to meet the growing community desire for indoor recreational space.

So, please accept this letter as an indication of our sustained support in your endeavours to bring SHISH to a reality. There is no other indoor sport facility capable of meeting the demands for FUTSAL.

Highlands Soccer Association Inc. looks forward to being able to operate FUTSAL at SHISH and across the Wingecarribee for the community.

Regards,

Danny Josipovic
Chairperson
Highlands Soccer Association Inc.

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2nd April 2020

Dear All Concerned

RE: Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Facility Project

We are writing to extend our strong support for the proposed Multipurpose Indoor Sports Facility to be located in Moss Vale.

Gymnastics has been a popular sport in Moss vale for the past 31 years. The club has been affiliated with Gymnastics Australia and Gymnastics NSW throughout this time. For the past 17 years the club has had many gymnasts representing Moss Vale in Gymnastics NSW competitions at State level with a great deal of success.

Due to a lack of facilities in the area we have never been able to host any events ourselves and have always had to travel away from the area. For this reason we are unable to offer our members the full experience of what our sporting brand has to offer.

Gymnastics NSW offer many Gymsports which attract large numbers of participants. Some of these Gymsports are Women's and Men's Artistic Gymnastics, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Acrobatics, Trampolining, Cheerleading, Gymnastics for All, Free G, and Aerobic Gymnastics. Moss vale Gymnastics has a current membership of approximately 120 and had four of the leading teams in the State Team Gym Championships in 2019 and would be very keen to host competitions in this area. We would also like to run Coaching and Judging clinics to promote the growth of gymnastics in the area. Currently there are two clubs in the area, Moss Vale Gymnastics and the Southern Highlands PCYC. Between these two clubs gymnastics has a very strong following with a potential future membership around the 1,000 participants.

Once again, we would very strongly support the proposed project and hope that it can become a reality.

Yours Sincerely

Kim Morse-Evans (Moss Vale Gymnastics Representative)

Wingecarribee Shire Council and
Mr. Chris Alleyn of Moss Vale and District Basketball Association

Please accept this letter in support of the proposed Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub at Lackey Park in Moss Vale, New South Wales.

Moss Vale and District Basketball Association is a long-standing and enthusiastic member of the local community within the Wingecarribee Shire. With around 700 members, the Association is regarded as a significant regional association that attends BNSW events on a regular and successful basis. The management team provide a place for people of all ages and abilities to play casual or organised basketball throughout the year, giving everyone a chance to be part of a broader community.

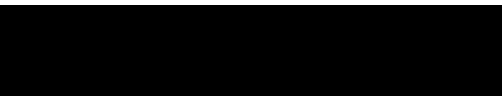
MVDBA has a growing base and also provides indoor court space and facilities for other sports in a facility that can no longer accommodate any more patrons. Approximately 15 years ago the Association identified the need for new facilities and has been tirelessly working toward a project that will make this a reality. The latest proposal adds additional court space and integrates with the wider project concepts at Lackey Park. A successful project will mean the stadium can increase the number of people who attend the stadium on a regular basis and also provide new or expanded activities in but not limited to:

- Netball
- Indoor Hockey
- Futsal
- Volleyball
- Badminton
- Martial Arts, and
- Gymnastics

Such a new look centre provides an often-overlooked contribution to regional areas, encouraging development in roles for Sports Officials, Exercise Science, Small Business and Club Administration. People looking for work-experience and achieving the high goals of Duke of Edinburgh Award schemes can often fulfill these roles and opportunities in this environment.

We request that you please support this important project.

Yours faithfully,



SHCCI (Southern Highlands Chamber of Commerce & Industry)
Name | Steve Horton
Position | Chair





NSW Police Force

Paul Barcicki
Director
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RE: Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub letter of support

To whom it may concern

I am writing this letter in support of the Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Incorporated following a presentation of architectural plans and designs for the Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub and the Lackey Park Regional Sports Hub.

As the Chief Inspector - Officer in Charge of the Southern Highlands Police Station I am encouraged by the development and community support shown to young person and community within the Southern Highlands. Your new development proposal will give a cross section of our local community a state of the art facility which can be used by young and old.

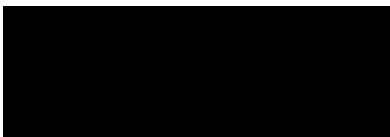
I would like to provide further support of your proposal in my capacity as the Local Emergency Operations Controller (LEOCON) for the Wingecarribee Shire. Your proposed development will provide the Local Government (LGA) Area genuine option for a mass Evacuation Centre for the local community in a time of emergency. As we saw last summer, catastrophic weather events occur in our LGA we need to have the option for a safe venue for a large amount of people if needed. During last years fire season, I was requested to identify a venue for people from outside our area to be housed temporarily in a safe and comfortable location. I did make inquires with your current venue about this possibility which you strongly supported. Your current venue provides for a basic option, but your proposed development would meet the new criteria for a community evacuation centre.

Your proposed development would also give the Local Emergency Management Committee an alternative location on this side of the LGA for an Operations Centre for the emergency services to work from.

This proposed development has many possibilities for our local community, which is why I have strongly supported your application.

Please do not hesitate to give me a call if you require any further information, or if those assessing your application would like clarification about the issues I have raised in this letter. I wish you success in your application and development.

Regards



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21 February 2018

NSW Government
Regional Sports Infrastructure Fund

Letter of Support – Project: Southern Highlands Multi – Purpose Indoor Sports Centre

The following letter is provided to confirm Wingecarribee Shire Council's strong support for the construction of the Southern Highlands Multi – Purpose Indoor Sports Centre (SHMISC) proposed by the Moss Vale and District Basketball Association (MVDBA) at Parkes Road Moss Vale.

Council understands that the proposed development includes the construction of a new indoor stadium providing both additional courts and a refurbishment of the existing facilities to provide an integrated multi-purpose indoor sport facility that caters for basketball and a range of other indoor sports at a local and regional level.

Council believes that such a facility would provide significant benefit to our local community to accommodate the growth of basketball in our region and to facilitate the playing of other sports such as cricket, hockey, netball etc. in an indoor environment. The facility would also offer significant economic benefits to our region as the facility would likely facilitate regional and state level competition as well as the opportunity to host NBL games.

Council also has a larger vision for a regional sporting hub that encompasses the SHMISC in an integrated development of the adjoining Lackey Park Oval to accommodate Rugby League, Rugby Union, Cricket, Soccer and Netball fixtures at a regional and state level as well as NRL and Super Rugby games.

Council therefore strongly supports an integrated proposal for the Southern Highlands Multi – Purpose Indoor Sports Centre proposed by the Moss Vale and District Basketball Association with State Government funding to include development of the SHMISC and Stage 1 of the Lackey Park development, which would provide essential parking and the main vehicular access for the SHMISC.

Council is advised that the indicative costing for Stage 1 of the Southern Highlands Multi – Purpose Indoor Sports Centre is \$7.6m and Council's estimates for development of the essential roadworks, drainage and parking to accommodate the needs of the SHMISC total \$2m.

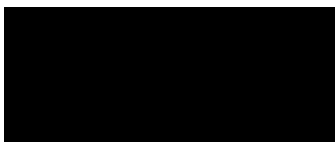
It is Council's position that such a facility, if supported by the State Government, would deliver all of the desirable outcomes targeted by the funding including:

- Providing an economic benefit, increased tourism and creation of jobs
- Meeting a demonstrable need in the community
- Establishing regional sports hubs
- Could be used by more than one sporting code
- Would be financially sustainable
- Would increase participation opportunities in sport
- Would provide infrastructure that enables economic growth and boosts productivity.

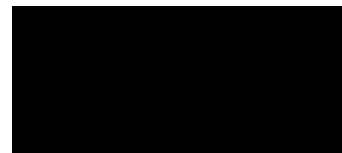
Council believes that the delivery of the above project would have very significant benefits to our community as it would promote physical activity for all ages, facilitate regional and state competitions and attract elite sports people to our region. The economic benefits to the region would also be significant and would build on our region's strong reputation as a tourist mecca and, in the regional context, offer a much needed indoor sporting facility that is not currently available between Canberra and the Sydney region.

Council is therefore strongly supportive of the proposal from Moss Vale and District Basketball Association seeking funding of \$9.6m via the State Government's "Regional Sporting Infrastructure Fund" to facilitate the completion of stage 1 of the SHMISC and to complete essential infrastructure upgrades required to Lackey Park Moss Vale to provide the necessary infrastructure for access and parking for the SHMISC.

Yours sincerely



Ann Prendergast
General Manager



Cr Ken Halstead
Mayor

3 July 2021

Mr Paul Barcicki

Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Incorporated

Dear Mr Barcicki,

Re: Moss Vale and District Basketball Association Inc (MVDBAI) proposed Southern Highlands Indoor Sports Hub (SHISH)

MVDBAI, combined with Wingecarribee Shire Council, are developing plans for a four court, multipurpose indoor sports and community facility to be located as part of the Lackey Park Regional Sports Hub in Moss Vale. This will be a tremendous asset to the general community, sporting organisations, public and private schools, Emergency Disaster support and I fully support the project.

As a long-time member of MVDBAI and a proud Arakwal Bundjakung woman. I have been an active member of the local Aboriginal community, a domestic and representative player of MVDBAI and parent of a domestic/representative player/coach. I have always found MVDBAI very supportive of their families, individuals, various cultures ethnics and backgrounds and encouraged women in sport through the I'm a Girl I Can Do Anything program. The association, and its programs, provide both physical and mental health benefits to a wide range of community members.

I appreciate the benefits offered by MVDABI and congratulate them on the initiative. The new facility will provide multiply opportunities for local and regional community, cultural events employment and business opportunities. I encourage the granting of funds for this project.

Yours Sincerely,


Melissa Wiya,

Aboriginal Community Development Officer


Our ref: 1234/56
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29 September 2020

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Dear 

Thank you for your recent letter to Council received by email on the 10 September 2020. The Mayor has asked me to respond to your initial proposal and to outline how Council's envisages the Lackey Park Regional Sporting Hub will proceed, inclusive of the SHISH.

Council acknowledges the financial challenges the MVDBAI is contending with and as per my previous discussions with Mr Paul Barcicki, Council intends to assist MVDBAI in conjunction with the development of the Sporting Hub, as the success of the overall facility in our opinion is reliant upon both proposals being included in all necessary planning and design processes.

The mechanism by which this assistance will be provided is outlined below.

Council staff have engaged with the NSW Office of Sport and following their advice have appointed M.I Associates to undertake a project review and feasibility study, including a roadmap and recommendations to progress through the various phases. The SHISH proposal is included as part of scope to be undertaken by M.I Associates.

Following the completion of the project review/feasibility study, a further report will be brought to Council outlining the results of the study, along with the data compiled from the public exhibition.

Pending an appropriate resolution of Council, staff will then commence the procurement process to engage a suitably qualified principal consultant to undertake detail design (dependant on budget availability) of the required infrastructure, access and parking, the outdoor fields/lighting and finally the grandstand. Through this design process, the immediate goal would be to obtain all necessary studies, reports and analysis relating to development requirements and at the 50% design stage have a package ready for submission for a Development Application.

It is suggested that the MVBDAl's design would be developed to a similar point, with all the common reports, studies and investigations undertaken by Council, and one holistic submission presented for Development Application assessment.

In terms of timing, staff expect to present a report to Council in the coming months and anticipate having a Principal Consultant engaged and commencing in the new year. It is forecast, although it may be ambitious, to submit the Development Application by mid-2021.

Working with you

It is also proposed that in terms of construction phasing, all efforts will be focused first on undertaking the backbone infrastructure requirements which serves to facilitate the needs of both the indoor and outdoor projects prior to their construction.

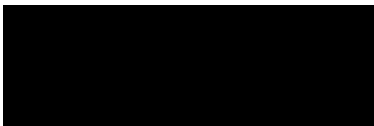
In the event that you would still like Council to formally consider your request for funding of \$75,000, a formal report would be required to be presented to Council. So this report can clearly articulate the request made by the MVDBI, Council staff have requested clarification as to how this amount has been determined.

Staff suggest that this figure may be conservative, although it would be beneficial for Council to understand the assumptions used to determine the required funding. Council's Group Manager-Capital Projects, Mr Ned Tripkovic would be happy to meet with members of the MVDBAI to discuss in more detail.

I trust this letter provides MVDBAI the information and confidence that Council is supportive of the SHISH multi use facility and that Council has committed to further collaboration to ensure that the project progresses, and constraints are understood by all parties.

We look forward to working with you on this important project for the Shire and help shape the future of sport and recreation in the region.

Yours sincerely



Barry W Paul
Acting General Manager



The Hon. John Barilaro MP

Deputy Premier
Minister for Regional New South Wales,
Minister for Skills and Minister for Small Business

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Dear Clr Halstead,

I am writing to inform you of important changes to the Regional Sports Infrastructure Fund.

The NSW Government is committed to supporting regional sport hubs and regionally significant sport facilities through the Regional Sports Infrastructure Fund. We are also committed to supporting local sports infrastructure projects through programs such as the Stronger Country Communities Fund. These programs are part of the NSW Government's \$1.3 billion Regional Growth Fund which will support growing regional centres, activate local economies and improve services in communities.

Since the Regional Sports Infrastructure Fund was launched in 2017, feedback has indicated that criteria are too strongly focused on economic benefits and do not adequately recognise the community benefits and other merits of quality regional sports infrastructure projects. The NSW Government is making changes to the program to address these concerns.

To ensure that projects are assessed on the full range of benefits they bring to regional communities, the NSW Government is revising the criteria for funding under the Regional Sports Infrastructure Fund. New program guidelines will be released in the coming weeks and expressions of interest under these guidelines will be accepted from Monday 12 March 2018 until Friday 4 May 2018. A detailed application or business case stage will follow, with successful projects to be announced in October 2018.

Expressions of interested will not be accepted under the current Regional Sports Infrastructure Fund guidelines after 5pm on Wednesday 7 March 2018. Applicants who submit an expression of interest under the current guidelines, and are unsuccessful, will not be precluded from re-applying under the new Regional Sports Infrastructure Fund guidelines.

Details about the changes to the Regional Sports Infrastructure Fund, including new program guidelines, will be available at www.nsw.gov.au/regionalsportsinfrastructure.

I look forward to the exciting projects that will be supported and funded by the NSW Government as a result of our Regional Sports Infrastructure Fund.

Yours sincerely



The Hon. John Barilaro MP
Deputy Premier
Minister for Regional New South Wales
Minister for Skills and Minister for Small Business

Large NSW Regional Centres ranking by Population excluding Greater Sydney, Newcastle, Wollongong and Central Coast – Updated 26-4-2022

Location/Status	LGA Population (2018 estimate)	Ownership/management	Facility
Shoalhaven Opens October 2019, \$16.4M complex	104371 Note this is whole of LGA population, mainly northern Shoalhaven area will be serviced with other facilities in the southern portion	Council /Shoalhaven Basketball and Management committee	Shoalhaven Indoor Sports Centre at Bomaderry – Four additional indoor multi-purpose courts. Currently two Basketball courts on Council property that will be renovated once the new facility becomes operational. Completed facility will have 6 courts.
Tweed	91371	PCYC	Unknown
Mid Coast (Taree/Forster)	93288	Council and Basketball Association	Existing 2 courts being renovated and additional 3 courts added (DA 2021/2110 cost \$8.86M)
Maitland	83203	Council (?)	4 court facility
Port Macquarie Hastings regional	83161	Council /contract run	A 7 court facility in a recently completed upgrade, multiple sport usage including gymnastics (1 court)
Coffs Harbour	76551	Coffs Harbour Council	Currently 4 court facility at Sportz Central. Further 2 court facility Planned at Woolgoolga (North of Shire) Regional Indoor Sports Facility as part of Coffs Coast Regional Sports Hub – planned further 6 courts by 2035
Wagga	64820	\$9.2M finished 2018 Wagga City Council Federal Government - \$4.4M funding under the National Stronger Regions Fund Netball Wagga - \$250,000 contribution	Located at the Wagga Wagga Exhibition Centre (Equex), the Multi Purpose Stadium (MPS) will provide a high-quality sporting, community and entertainment/event space in the heart of the city. The MPS will feature three indoor courts, change rooms, seating for more than 600 spectators and a function space with catering facilities.
Tamworth Regional Council Constructed 2011 and extended 2019	59663	Council	Tamworth Sports Dome; 7 indoor courts – 4 wooden sprung floors and 3 Aura Pulastic sports floor courts. Show court seating for 600 people. Outdoor courts, 2 basketball and 18 Netball.

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			Utility/function room, Multi-purpose room, Board/function room Gymnasium area, Cafeteria with indoor and outdoor seating. Areas available for weddings and functions.
Queenbeyan	59959	Council/Queanbeyan Basketball ?	In 2018 \$4.5M extension (\$2.25M Federal, \$2.25M Council) with 3 indoor court, 2 squash courts and cricket added. Previous facility has 2 courts. Significant facilities available in ACT
Albury	53767	Albury City Council	Lauren Jackson Sports Hall 5 multi usage courts There is also a four-court indoor privately run facility called Major League Indoor Sports running cricket, netball, volleyball and Futsal. Note that Wodonga also has a 4 court Basketball facility.
Dubbo	53240	Council /Public Works /Charles Sturt University	Announcement August 2020 Stage 1 of the Dubbo Regional Sports Hub project involves the construction of a \$23.3 million Indoor Multi Sport Facility with multiple indoor courts that will feature a PCYC, basketball, gymnastics, indoor hockey and tennis courts, providing an all-weather venue for the region's sporting talent. NSW Regional Sports Infrastructure Fund (49.3M) 2017-18. DA lodged October 2021 for 5 indoor court , gymnastics and gym, boxing, multipurpose stadium
Wingecarribee	50493	MVDBAI Council	Current 2 court facility fully utilised by Basketball Mittagong PCYC provides one additional court generally unavailable
Ballina	44000	Council - \$3.5M grant from NSW Regional Sports Infrastructure Fund 2017-18	New Two court centre links directly to further two courts at adjoining High School - meeting rooms, retractable seating 530
Lismore	43135	Unknown Council (and University ?)	Lismore Basketball Stadium 2 courts Goonellabah Stadium – Netball, Futsal – 2 courts

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Bathurst Regional Council	43206	Council / Basketball NSW	Bathurst Indoor Sports Stadium includes four courts for a variety of sports including Basketball, recent grant for upgrade. Bathurst also has a separate PCYC.
Orange City Council Constructed 2011/2012	42056	Council/Council and PCYC	Orange Indoor Sports Centre has 4 Indoor courts, multi purpose space, large gymnastics/sports hall adjacent, 8 outdoor netball courts. Council is currently looking to expand number of indoor courts due to demand. Orange also has a \$2.2 Million Indoor Cricket Centre planned.
Goulburn/Mulwaree	30852	Crown reserve with Council as trustee managing the complex through a committee of management with representatives of each of the main user groups.	Existing showground has Two full and one small basketball court. Veolia centre opened in 2014 provides additional Multi use stadium housing two additional multi sport courts that double as a conference and large community event facility.
Griffith	26 882	Total \$26.5M The new Sporting Precinct Project, which includes the recently opened 50m pool at Griffith Regional Aquatic Leisure Centre, is the result of the Australian Government investing \$4.5M under the Building Better Regional Fund, \$10M from the NSW Regional Sports Infrastructure Fund, and Council contributing up to \$17M.	New sports Hub from 2 to 7 indoor courts , 7 netball courts , athletics , 2xhockey 6.6Ha total area