

9. ADDITIONAL LIGHTING OF SOCCER TRAINING FIELD AT BARNETT PARK

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Corporate Plan Output: Consents (9.4.8)	

The purpose of this report is to enable the Board to make comment to the Parks Manager who has delegated authority to approve the erection of a further two training lights by Bays United Soccer Club upon Barnett Park.

FIELD AND LIGHTING LAYOUT

It is proposed that the soccer training area at Barnett Park be enlarged to accommodate a full size field (100 m long) (see plan attached). The field is to be lengthened by adding to the north end of the present field, this will require the field to be extended over the northern cricket wicket at Barnett Park. To the north of this field, two junior soccer fields are located. The extended lighted training area is required by the Bays United Soccer Club to cater for the increase in membership of the club, and consequently the increase in the number of teams being catered for. It is proposed that one light will be focussed over the extended large field, whilst the other over the adjacent junior soccer field, which will allow some off field training to occur.

It is intended to trial the operation of the extended training field over the existing cricket block, which is unformed, only having a pop up irrigation system placed around it for the next season (2001). If the wear of winter sport upon the cricket block proves to be unacceptable, there is room to move the junior soccer fields to the north, thereby creating enough room between the main field and the junior soccer field for the wicket to be placed. This will entail the moving of the pop up irrigation system. Officers are of the view that this expense would be warranted to allow full use to be made of the Barnett Park sports fields during both summer and winter. Full discussions have occurred between Council Officers, Bays United Soccer Club and Sumner Cricket Club, which cumulated in the above mentioned outcome, being arrived at. The proposal is to erect two 14m high concrete posts, upon which four sports field flood lights will be mounted. Resource Consent will be required for the erection of these lighting poles, because they exceed the 8m height restriction and intrude approximately 1.5m into the eastern recession plane with the neighbouring properties. The Club has obtained neighbours' consent from all adjoining neighbours that are deemed to be affected and therefore officers deem that no further consultation with adjoining neighbours is required.

Officers recommend that the concrete lighting towers be painted green flax, 12B21 in colour, thereby assisting to integrate them into the surrounding environment.

Recommendation: That the Board recommend to the Parks Manager that the application by Bays United Soccer Club to erect a further two training lights upon Barnett Park to cater for night training, be approved subject to the following conditions:

- (1) That the Bays United Soccer Club obtain the necessary resource and planning consents before erecting the lights upon the park.
- (2) That all costs associated with this application and resulting development be paid for by the applicant.
- (3) That the construction site be kept in a clean and tidy condition by the applicant or contractors at all times.
- (4) That, before the poles are erected, they be painted green flax in colour (12B21).
- (5) That, before construction commences, the applicant contact the Area Parks Officer at Linwood Service Centre to ascertain Council requirements during the construction phase of the development. This is to include the obtaining of all service plans including pop up irrigation and drainage layout before work commences upon the site.
- (6) That a bond of \$2,000.00 be paid to the Council (Area Parks Officer, Linwood Service Centre) before onsite work commences. The bond, less any costs incurred by Council, will be refunded when the work is completed.

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Recommendation:

That the officer's recommendation be adopted.