

MEDIA STATEMENT



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City announces fair and equitable fee structure for clubs

The City of Bunbury will introduce a new fee structure for clubs and organisations which lease City-owned land after Council last night voted to adopt the revised policy.

The change to the policy will allow for a fair and equitable fee structure for all community and sporting organisations.

A decision to revise the current fee structure was made following feedback from the community and sporting groups at a workshop held in February.

Participating groups outlined they would like a policy that would provide a non-subjective and consistent framework to ensure equity across all clubs.

A new model was drafted up and presented at a subsequent workshop which was attended by 32 people representing 24 individual clubs.

The majority of those present supported the new model. All leases have a fee structure based on the total land area leased by the club.

Mayor Gary Brennan said while some clubs would see a significant hike in fees there was opportunity for these organisations to approach Council to discuss options and to receive support in addressing club sustainability.

“After extensive consultation with the clubs this was deemed the fairest and most equitable approach.” Mr Brennan said

The new policy will be applied on 1 July 2016.

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