



# HOW TO VOTE TO SUPPORT SPORTS

CITY OF MELVILLE SPECIAL MEETING

## VOTE BY SECRET BALLOT VOTE FOR MOTION 4 ONLY

Vote Motion 4 to help relieve the pressure on community sport across the entire City of Melville.



### SPECIAL MEETING OF ELECTORS JOHN CONNELL RESERVE MOTIONS



**SUPPORT MOTION 4 -  
COMMENCE CLEARING**



**SUPPORT SPORT.  
SUPPORT MOTION 4.**

Motion 4 asks the City to commence clearing and early works within the permit timeframe, while staging non-time-critical floodlighting for later grant opportunities.

**Motions 1, 2 and 3 would pause, restart, or remove budget support for the project.**

Only Motion 4 gives our Juniors a chance to play

### CITY OF MELVILLE RATEPAYERS ONLY

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#### MOTION 1

**Pause John Connell  
Reserve Field Extension**



DO NOT SUPPORT

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#### MOTION 2

**Reactivate the John Connell  
Masterplan (pauses oval)**



DO NOT SUPPORT

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#### MOTION 3

**Remove John Connell oval  
expansion from budget**



DO NOT SUPPORT

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#### MOTION 4

**Commence Clearing and  
the John Connell extension**



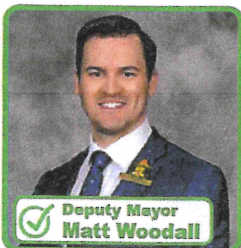
SUPPORT THIS MOTION

**SUPPORT THIS ONE**

**WE MUST VOTE AGAINST MOTIONS 1, 2, 3, AND  
VOTE IN FAVOUR OF MOTION 4**



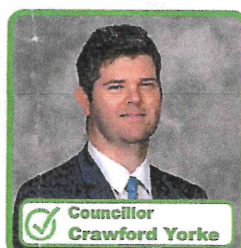
✓ Mayor  
**Katy Mair**



✓ Deputy Mayor  
**Matt Woodall**



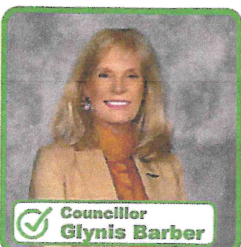
✓ Councillor  
**Jen Spanbroek**



✓ Councillor  
**Crawford Yorke**



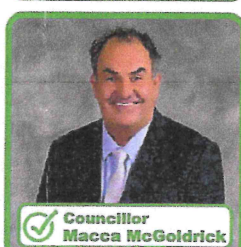
✓ Councillor  
**Scott Green**



✓ Councillor  
**Glynis Barber**



✓ Councillor  
**George Panayotou**



✓ Councillor  
**Macca McGoldrick**

### COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED AGAINST MORE SPACE FOR SPORT IN OUR COMMUNITY:



**Karen Wheatland**

*Up for re-election in October 2029*



**Clive Ross**

*Up for re-election in October 2029*



**Jason Meotti**

*Standing for election October 2027*



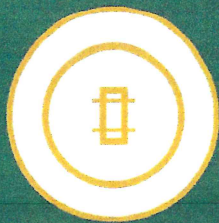
**Soo Hong**

*Up for re-election in October 2027*



**Daniel Lim**

*Up for re-election in October 2027*



# GET THE FACTS

## JOHN CONNELL RESERVE PROJECT

Over \$4 million of investment in Leeming that delivers more sporting fields, major environmental upgrades and floodlighting for all.



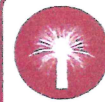
Area in question to be cleared in yellow, some 0.3ha total

Important to note the cost of the project also includes floodlight upgrades bundled in with the overall project



### SUPPORTING COMMUNITY SPORT

Delivers improved facilities and extra playing space with additional fields for both cricket and soccer.



### NATIVE BUSHLAND RESERVE REMAINS

The pristine bushland to the south is entirely untouched – only contaminated section next to the rubbish tip is needed.



### INCREASING TREE CANOPY

With \$1.3m to plant over 17,500 trees, this will be the biggest investment for tree planting in Melville history.

### Estimated Cost by City: \$4.68m

|             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| \$1,255,000 | New LED Soccer Floodlights   |
| \$1,300,000 | Tree Planting & Revegetation |
| \$979,601   | Estimated Contingency Fees   |
| \$1,150,000 | Actual Clearing & Extension  |
| - \$470,000 | Cricket Club's Contribution  |



Gives our female and junior players the space they need



Takes pressure off other clubs and sport reserves in Melville



Ensures today's kids aren't turned away tomorrow



Finally delivers a decades-long community sporting need



### WAY MORE THAN AN OVAL EXTENSION

Delivers 10 brand new or upgraded LED floodlights and a dedicated training space for our junior players.

## DON'T BE MISLED: GET THE REAL FACTS ABOUT THE JOHN CONNELL RESERVE EXPANSION PROJECT

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### THIS IS NOT A CRICKET-ONLY PROJECT

The upgrade delivers more playing space for multiple sports: cricket expands from one oval to two, and soccer capacity increases from two pitches to four. This has been in the works since the 1990s.

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### \$4M FOR HALF A CRICKET PITCH IS ALL NONSENSE

The actual cost breakdown clearly shows the extension and oval works cost \$1.15m, and when you take out the cricket club's contribution of \$470,000 the **actual cost to the City is \$680,000.**

3

### THIS IS NOT A TINY CLUB WITH SMALL MEMBERSHIP

The Spartan Cricket Club is 108 years old and fields 19 junior and senior teams. Plus, with its winter cricket tournament and the soccer club – **thousands of local residents** benefit from these facilities each year.

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### THIS IS DEGRADED LAND NEXT TO A RUBBISH TIP

The City's own environmental reports have identified the area in question as being 'completely degraded' due to its proximity next to the old rubbish tip. It won't get any better and is not part of Ken Hurst Park. This section has **always** long been reserved for recreation and sports.

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### CITY-WIDE DEMAND HAS NEVER BEEN HIGHER

Demand for more cricket, soccer, and AFL grounds is higher than ever as all sports see record increases in numbers. John Connell is the **only reserve in the entire City that can be expanded** to increase playing space – and this section of degraded bushland has always been intended for this purpose.

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### RATES ARE NOT GOING UP BECAUSE OF THIS

The City's 4.9% rate rise is **not** because of John Connell Reserve. Melville confirmed only \$200,000 is budgeted for design work in this Fin Year – 0.085% of total expenditure. The Mayor confirmed that this project has **zero** impact on the rate rise and is actually due to CPI increases.

PLEASE SUPPORT THE JOHN CONNELL EXPANSION FOR THE FUTURE OF SPORT IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE CAN'T LET THE LOUD MISINFORMATION DERAIL A DECADES-LONG CRITICAL PROJECT.