



Leeming Sports Association

an Alliance between



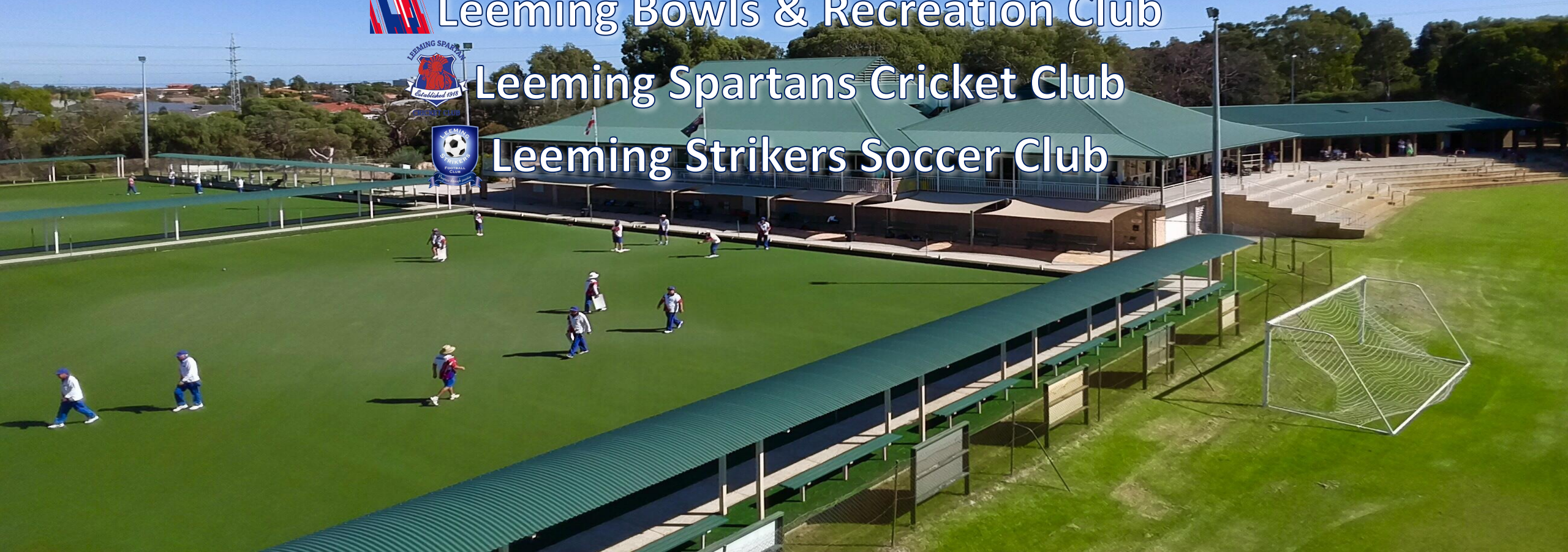
Leeming Bowls & Recreation Club



Leeming Spartans Cricket Club



Leeming Strikers Soccer Club



THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE THIS PRESENTATION

WE PRESENT TO YOU

- information in support of our request for 21-year leases over the John Connell clubhouse facility and the adjacent bowling greens currently leased by Leeming Sports Association and Leeming Bowls & Recreation Clubs respectively.
- information on our plans to invest in improvements to our facilities into the future and how those plans will be dependent on 21-year leases.
- information on the significant contribution we make to our sports and the community generally.

LSA
Leeming Sports Association

SUPPORTING THE CLUBS
THAT SUPPORTS US

JOHN CONNELL FACILITY

- The City of Melville started development of the present clubhouse building in September 1998; and it was officially opened in October 2003.
- The clubhouse facilities were built to support the three clubs that together form the Leeming Sports Association.
- The three clubs stand alone as clubs but share the clubhouse facilities and manage its use through the alliance that is Leeming Sports Association.
- The clubhouse building and change room facilities are presently leased by Leeming Sports Association on a five-year basis.
- The land on which the bowling greens are located has been leased by the bowls club since 1986 on a five-year basis.

LSA
Leeming Sports Association



CRICKET CLUB



LEEMING SPORTS ASSOCIATION

- LSA has managed the John Connell Facility for over 18 years.
- LSA represents over 1,300 members across the 3 clubs.
- Leeming Bowls and Recreation Club has been bringing lawn bowls to our community since 1986, for over 35 years, and has 250 members.
- Leeming Spartans Cricket Club, formed in 1918, has been bringing cricket to our community for over 100 years and has 850 members.
- Leeming Strikers Soccer Club has been bringing soccer to our community since 1970, for over 50 Years, and has over 250 members.
- The LSA model is unique to the John Connell Facility and has proved to be very successful for the collaborative management of the facility.
- As far as we are aware, the management & operation of the John Connell Facility is different to any others in the City of Melville.



APPLICATION FOR 21 YEAR LEASES

- Long-term leases are an imperative to maintain the incentive for our Clubs to invest in improvements to our facilities as a means to maintain the viability of our Clubs.

21-YEAR LEASES WILL PROVIDE US THE SECURITY OF TENURE REQUIRED TO CARRY OUT OUR DEVELOPMENT PLANS AND TO SUSTAIN OUR CONTRIBUTION TO OUR CLUBS AND THE COMMUNITY.

- We can see no detriment to the City of Melville or the community.
- We are only asking for what we believe has already been granted to a number of other clubs in the City of Melville.



INVESTING IN THE FUTURE

IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

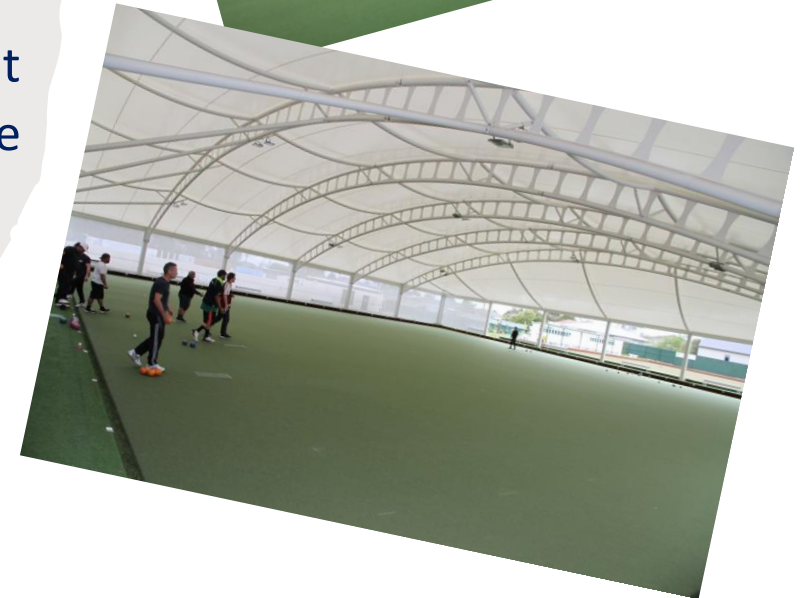
- It is important for our Clubs to invest in improvements to the John Connell Facility, in order to maintain the viability of our Clubs, to meet health and safety obligations to our members, to sustain our ability to attract members and, therefore, sustain our community involvement.
- Our clubs have a history of being very active in using their own resources to make upgrades and improvements to the Facility without recourse to the City of Melville for funding.
- The cricket club has recently raised almost \$700K for upgrade of the John Connell changerooms, primarily to accommodate female cricket and soccer players. This work should commence early in 2022.
- The cricket club will also replace its practice nets this year at a cost of \$250K.
- The bowls club will resurface two of its bowling greens in April 2022 at a cost of \$300K.
- The bowls club's future plans also include construction of a shade structure over one or more of its bowling greens within the next 5 years.



COVER OVER THE BOWLING GREENS

PURPOSE

- Shade structures are becoming more and more the norm at bowling clubs, particularly where new facilities are being built.
- Cockburn, Rossmoyne, Kardinya, Byford, Warnbro and Innaloo clubs are examples.
- The move to covering bowling greens has been driven by awareness that ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun is an invisible killer that can't be seen or felt.
- With many of our players in the older demographic it is imperative that we have adequate shade to protect them from UV radiation and the effects of heat on hot summer days.
- A shade structure over the bowling greens will provide all-weather protection for players, particularly protection from UV radiation; will maximise the ability to extend playing time and give an additional protected space for associated club activities.



COVER OVER THE BOWLING GREENS

AN EXAMPLE OF THE TYPE OF COVER PROPOSED FOR LEEMING BOWLS CLUB



COVER OVER THE BOWLING GREENS

FUNDING

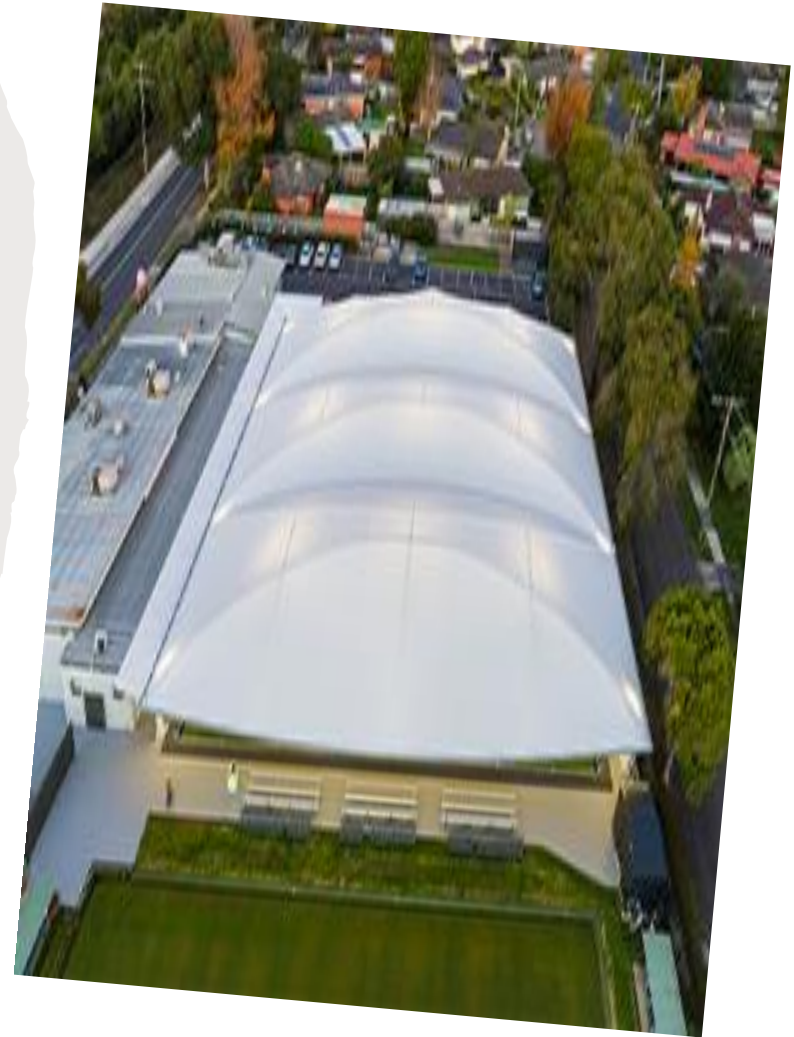
- A cover over the bowling greens similar to the example shown in the previous slide will cost in the order of \$1.5 million to cover two greens.
- This will require a substantial funding effort by the bowls club, which they are prepared to undertake.
- Shade shelters, viewing areas and verandahs are specifically excluded from Community Sporting & Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF) grants.
- This means funding will have to come from other more conventional sources.
- The bowls club will be looking to other State and Federal funding, fundraising events and loan funding.
- In order to obtain funding from some of these sources we are advised that we will need to demonstrate security of tenure for at least 20 years.
- **WOULD IT BE PRUDENT FOR A CLUB TO INVEST \$1.5 MILLION IN A COMMUNITY FACILITY WITHOUT SECURITY OF TENURE?**



COVER OVER THE BOWLING GREENS

JOHN CONNELL FACILITY AND BOWLING GREENS

- The proposed cover over the bowling greens will become an integral part of the John Connell Facility.
- The bowling greens and the clubhouse will be dependent on each other.
- It follows that the bowling greens and the clubhouse should each have 21-year leases.
- 21-year leases can allow us to facilitate a major upgrade of the John Connell Facility.



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

LSA AND ITS THREE MEMBER CLUBS MAKE A SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO OUR COMMUNITY

- LSA hosts a Lions Club, a senior's club, a ladies sewing group and a church group.
- It provides a safe environment for the church's seriously intellectually handicapped group.
- It has provided an alternative venue for handicapped kids to participate in music programmes.
- It has hosted fundraising activities for cancer groups and other charitable organisations.
- There is something going on at the John Connell Facility every day and most nights of the week.



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

LEEMING BOWLS CLUB

- is very active with community & social bowls events, community bingo, bowling for handicapped kids and other local businesses and schools.
- has students from 2 local high schools participating in coaching programmes at the Club.
- runs a very successful social winter bowls programme on Tuesday Thursday and Saturday afternoons during the winter.

SPARTANS CRICKET CLUB

- has active men's, women's and junior participation across its 850 members.
- is host club for the State Visually Impaired Cricket Club, men's and women's.
- host its free annual community Christmas party for kids, free to all kids in the community.

STRIKERS SOCCER CLUB

- has active men's, women's and junior participation across its 250 members.
- has club championships and various social competitions for members and the community.



IN CONCLUSION

THE INFORMATION SEEMS COMPELLING

We hope we have provided sufficient information for your favourable consideration of 21-year leases for Leeming Sports Association and Leeming Bowls & Recreation Club.

We are all volunteers who give our time and expertise solely for the betterment of our Clubs and the community in which we live.

We assure you of our good intentions with our application.

THANK YOU

LSA

Leeming Sports Association

