



Office of the Mayor,
Councillor Jami Klisarls

20 February 2017

Dear Ms Clegg,

I am writing in response to the questions that you submitted in writing for the Council meeting held on 6 February 2017. The responses have been prepared by Council Officers.

Question 1

What firm did Council commission to do the "evidenced-based study" in March 2015?

Response

@Leisure Planners

Question 2

What was the brief given?

Response

The objectives of the needs analysis included:

- Identify current and future trends and participation rates of indoor stadium sports (especially netball and basketball);
- Review the existing provision of indoor stadiums and determine if they are adequate to meet the current and future needs of stadium users;
- Analyse the information gathered to determine the current and future needs of indoor stadium sports and make recommendations within the feasibility study;
- Provide a strong evidence base for Council to make an informed decision pertaining to multi-court indoor stadium(s) provision; and
- Respond to the Prahran Netball Association's request for additional indoor netball courts in Stonnington by confirming needs and providing short, medium and long-term solutions.

Question 3

Where can a copy of their full report be found?

Response

This background report is not a public document.

Question 4

Council Officers have stated "extensive community consultation will take place" regarding the proposed indoor stadium. Please define, in a geographical sense, (i.e. the area that will be consulted) the term "community".

Response

There will be targeted consultation with specific stakeholder groups and opportunities for input from all members of the Stonnington community.

Question 5

The Agenda Item 8 of Council Meeting Dec 8 states "An extract of that report is included as an attachment to this report and outlines the process followed and reasons for the decision to nominate the preferred site". Please provide the full report mentioned here.

Response

As a report considered as an item of confidential business it is not a public document. Access to the full report will need to be sought via the Freedom of Information Act 1982.

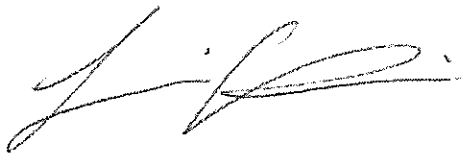
Question 6

I notice that in Council's papers on the 21st Nov and 3rd Dec, under the "headings of "Key elements of the feasibility study to include" and "Next Steps" that community consultation is not mentioned once. Isn't this further evidence of Council Officers complete disdain for the effect their recommendations have on our community and that the "feasibility study" is mere tokenism?

Response

Each of the elements of the feasibility study will include consultation. For some aspects of the study this will be targeted and involve specific stakeholders and at other stages will involve the whole community.

Yours sincerely



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Councillor for East Ward