



Office of the Mayor,
Councillor Jami Klisaris

20 March 2017

Dear Ms Wallish,

I am writing in response to the questions that you raised at the Council meeting of 6 March 2017. The responses have been prepared by Council Officers.

Question 1

In January I asked Council why it was recommending a proposal that directly contradicts their current Older Persons Strategy (see page 2.3.4 & 6). Your answer was the Older Persons Strategy was no longer current. You have since conceded that it is the current Older Persons Strategy (20.2.17), Could you please now answer the original question.?

Response

Underpinning your question appears to be a suggestion that Council will no longer support any older people currently participating in the activities at the Chadstone Bowls Club site.

To date Council has resolved to:

- complete a feasibility study into the proposed development of an indoor stadium in the north-western corner of Percy Treyvaud Memorial Park on land owned by Council and currently used by the Chadstone Bowls Club.
- Include as part of the feasibility study opportunities to accommodate the Chadstone Bowls Club and/or its members at alternate locations and the future provision of active recreation programs and services for older adults as part of that study.

These actions recognise that Council will endeavour to support the people currently involved in the activities that take place at the Chadstone Bowls Club following any decision about the future use of the site, in a manner that is consistent with the Stonnington Older Persons Strategy 2008-2012 to which you refer.

Question 2

Are Councillors aware that the Chadstone Bowls Club has over 300 members?

Response

I look forward to the Chadstone Bowls Club sharing information about their membership with the consultant appointed to engage with them so that accurate numbers can be considered as part of the feasibility study.

Question 3

Has Council re-assessed all sites it originally looked at against a more limited criteria?

Response

Officers reviewed the original list of 51 sites following the direction given by Councillors on 31 August 2015 to rule out the use of open space and sportsgrounds from further consideration.

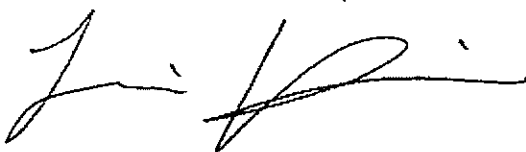
Question 4

If so, what was the criteria?

Response

Of the preliminary criteria, Displacement was removed in order to consider encumbered open space options and, recognising the difficulty in identifying a suitable site anywhere in Stonnington, Prahran Netball Association agreed to relax their requirement for a facility within their preferred catchment area.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jami Klisaris', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Cr Jami Klisaris, GAICD
Mayor of the City of Stonnington
Councillor for East Ward