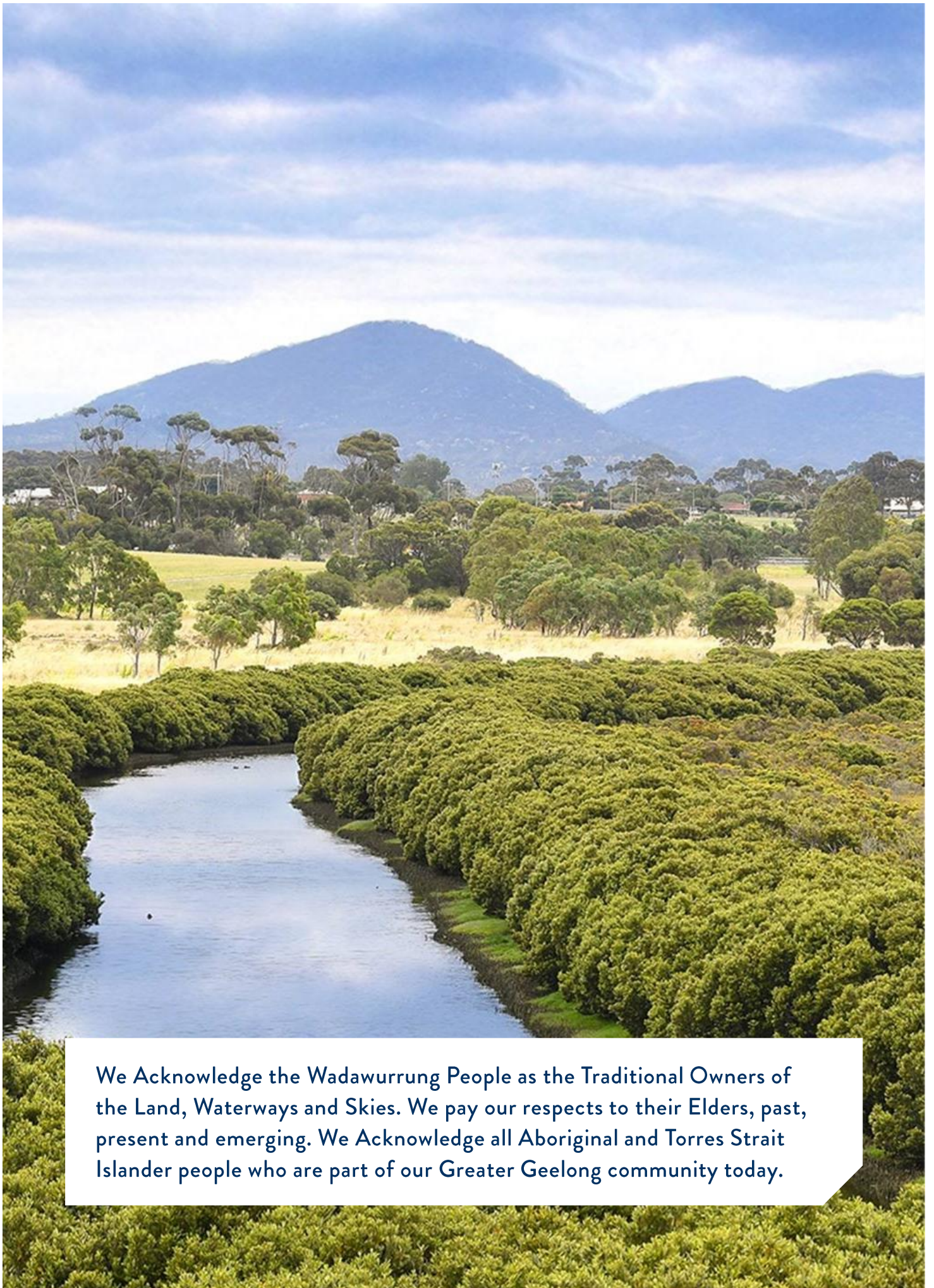




OCEAN GROVE SPORTING INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN

2025



We Acknowledge the Wadawurrung People as the Traditional Owners of the Land, Waterways and Skies. We pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging. We Acknowledge all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who are part of our Greater Geelong community today.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Ocean Grove Sporting Infrastructure Plan 2025 (OGSIP) establishes the priorities for the development of sporting reserves across Ocean Grove and Wallington to ensure our community can participate in a diverse range of sport and recreation activities.

The update of the previous Ocean Grove Sporting Infrastructure Plan (2010) identifies changes in sports participation, club needs and community demographics, all of which are driving the need for increased provision of sporting infrastructure.

Ocean Grove and Wallington are growing at a steady rate, with the population forecast to reach approximately 24,000 residents by 2035, representing 14.6% growth over a 10-year period.

Club participation has been growing across the majority of existing sports over the last five years, with a number of clubs struggling to meet demand due to the limitations of existing facilities:

Participation Growth

Sport	2019	2024	+/-
Baseball	100	116	+16 (+16%)
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The OGSIP provides a plan to improve the provision of infrastructure for community sport across Ocean Grove and Wallington.

The key pillars of the OGSIP are:

- 1. Facility Provision:** The Ocean Grove and Wallington community has access to sports facilities that support future growth and provide a diversity of opportunities to participate
- 2. Sustainable Clubs:** Our clubs are successful and sustainable, with access to high quality facilities that meet user needs and enable efficient club operation
- 3. Access & Inclusion:** Our facilities are accessible and inclusive, creating more opportunities for all people to play, officiate, volunteer and spectate

The OGSIP identifies the need to retain existing facilities as well as provide additional infrastructure to support participation, including:

- An additional baseball diamond;
- An additional oval for AFL/Cricket;
- An additional court for Netball;
- Additional pitches for Soccer; and
- Retention of existing tennis courts.

To enable the continued growth of sports participation and the health of local clubs, the OGSIP identifies opportunities to improve infrastructure across six reserves (see Key Development Priorities on page 5).

The staged implementation of the OGSIP will ensure that the residents of Ocean Grove and Wallington are healthy, active and connected.

KEY DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES

Across the six sporting reserves identified within the OGSIP, the following infrastructure development priorities are:

Shell Road Reserve

1. Construct a second oval on the site of the existing soccer pitches and upgrade other infrastructure including change rooms, amenities and canteen.
2. Upgrade and expand the cricket practice facility (one additional lane), and provide an adjacent cricket storage facility.
3. Construct one additional undercover netball court (show court), and provide fit-for purpose off-court netball facilities.

Collendina Reserve

1. Upgrade the pavilion to provide compliant gender-neutral player and umpire change rooms, and improved social and kitchen facilities.
2. Upgrade the cricket practice facility, including the installation of a fourth lane.

Devlins Road Reserve

1. Construct soccer pitches, a pavilion and associated supporting infrastructure in the southern section of the reserve to support the relocation of Ocean Grove Soccer Club to the reserve.

Memorial Reserve

1. Complete detailed investigations and preliminary design work to determine the viability of an extension of the recreation hall to the west.
2. Upgrade the pavilion, including the provision of gender-neutral player and umpire change rooms, and additional storage space for user groups.

Arthur Powell Reserve

1. Reconstruct the two public tennis courts to provide two new compliant acrylic courts with sportslighting.

Wallington Recreation Reserve

1. Redevelop the existing senior baseball diamond to comply with guidelines and plan for a future second junior-sized diamond as demand is demonstrated.
2. Upgrade the pavilion to provide gender-neutral player and umpire change rooms, improved social and kitchen facilities, and public toilets.



BACKGROUND & CONTEXT

ABOUT OCEAN GROVE

Ocean Grove is a coastal community on the Bellarine Peninsula, approximately 23 kilometres south-east of Geelong.

Renowned for its pristine beaches and natural environment, Ocean Grove is a growing community, with the population forecast to grow to over 24,000 by 2035, representing an increase of 14.6%.

The total number of residents in the ‘active age’ cohort (5-39 years), will grow by 9.5% by 2035, increasing the demand for community sporting infrastructure.

The older adults cohort (60+ years) is projected to have the largest increase, growing by 28.6% by 2035.

The demographic profile of Ocean Grove represents a growing community, with the total number of residents to increase across all age cohorts other than a marginal decrease in the number of young children (0-4 years).



21,015

Projected Population 2025

24,088

Projected Population 2035

+3,073

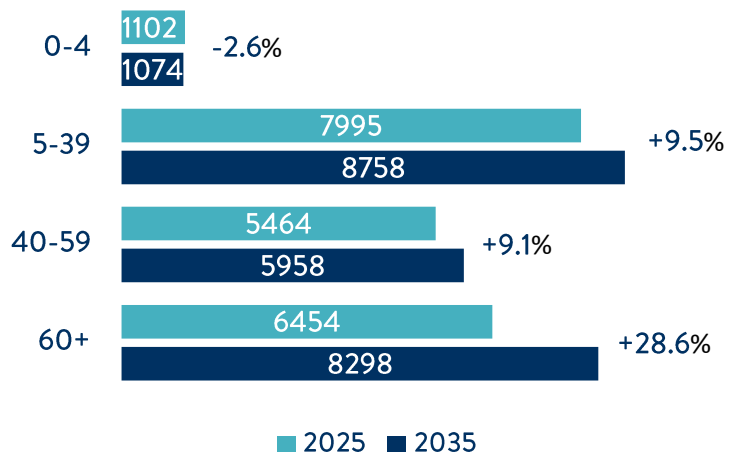
Population 2025 -2035

+14.6%

% Growth 2025 -2035

Source: Victoria in Future
Catchment: Ocean Grove Statistical Area Level 2 (SA2)

Age Profile 2025 – 2035



ABOUT THE OCEAN GROVE SPORTING INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN

The Ocean Grove Sporting Infrastructure Plan (OGSIP) establishes the investment priorities for sporting facilities within Ocean Grove to meet the needs of a growing and active community.

The OGSIP 2025 builds on the original Ocean Grove Sporting Infrastructure Plan developed in 2010 (OGSIP 2010). Since the development of the OGSIP 2010, Ocean Grove has continued to grow, placing additional pressure on facilities.

Planning for Change: OGSIP 2010

The OGSIP 2010 established the sporting infrastructure needs of Ocean Grove, with a focus on the transformation of Shell Road Reserve to cater for the needs of Ocean Grove Soccer Club (formerly Surfside Waves Soccer Club) and the transition of the Ocean Grove Football Netball Club and Ocean Grove Cricket Club to the site.

The OGSIP 2010 was successful in delivering investment in priority projects, including the development of the new pavilion, netball courts and cricket practice facility, and upgrade of the oval and soccer pitches.

The outcome of the OGSIP 2010 saw the successful co-location of Australian football, cricket, soccer, netball and tennis at Shell Road Reserve.

A New Perspective: OGSIP 2025

Since the implementation of the key priorities from the OGSIP 2010, participation in organised sport has continued to grow across Ocean Grove and Wallington, with a number of clubs now requiring additional infrastructure to support demand.

The co-location of sports at Shell Road Reserve has also led to conflicts in usage of facilities between clubs, as well as club activities being split across multiple reserves throughout the township.

The OGSIP 2025 examines the future needs of sports clubs and the community to determine the best use of facilities to support growing participation and accessibility.

Key objectives of the OGSIP 2025:

1. Assess the adequacy of sporting infrastructure provision to meet the current and future needs of the Ocean Grove and Wallington community
2. Examine trends in sports participation and the implications for sporting infrastructure needs
3. Establish the sporting infrastructure development requirements to meet club, user group and community needs
4. Update existing reserve master plans and develop master plans for new active open space
5. Prepare a prioritised implementation plan for recommended projects

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The development of the OGSIP 2025 has been informed by a range of plans and strategies, ensuring that the OGSIP aligns with local, municipal and regional directions for community infrastructure and sporting facilities.

Ocean Grove Sporting Infrastructure Plan 2010 (OGSIP 2010)

The OGSIP 2010 was prepared to guide the future development of Shell Road Reserve, Collendina Reserve and Memorial Reserve.

The Plan focused on the improvement of Shell Road Reserve to better provide for the needs of Ocean Grove Soccer Club (formerly Surfside Waves Soccer Club), and enable the transition of Ocean Grove Football Netball Club and Ocean Grove Cricket Club to the site from Memorial Reserve.

The implementation of the OGSIP 2010 has seen the delivery of a new pavilion at Shell Road Reserve, upgraded oval and soccer pitch surfaces, construction of four new netball courts and new cricket practice facilities.

Existing netball courts at Memorial Reserve were decommissioned and sportslighting upgraded at Collendina Reserve.

Ocean Grove Structure Plan (Amended 2016)

The Ocean Grove Structure Plan provides a strategic framework for the development of Ocean Grove, ensuring that future growth and development is supported while retaining the character of the coastal township.

Key directions from the Structure Plan relevant to sporting infrastructure include:

- Development of a regional public open space (8 ha) in the north-east growth area, including two ovals, netball courts, pavilion and informal park facilities through the use of developer contributions (partially actioned and superseded by site master plan)
- Develop Shell Road Reserve, including a \$6 million pavilion, to be shared by Ocean Grove Football Netball Club, Ocean Grove Cricket Club and Ocean Grove Soccer Club (formerly Surfside Waves Soccer Club) (actioned)

Other plans and strategies that have influenced the development of the OGSIP 2025 include:

- Our Community 2021-2025 (Council Plan)
- Social Infrastructure Plan – Generation One 2023-2025
- Bellarine Peninsula Distinctive Areas and Landscapes
- Ocean Grove Principal Pedestrian Network: Consultation Findings (2016)
- Fair Play Strategy 2017
- G21 Regional Football (Soccer) Strategy 2023-2033
- G21 & Cricket Victoria Barwon Regional Strategy (2019)
- G21 & AFL Barwon Towards 2030 (2020)
- Barwon Tennis Strategy 2024-2034

CLUB PARTICIPATION

Participation in organised sport in Ocean Grove and Wallington has grown significantly between 2019 and 2024, with sporting clubs attracting new participants and participation rates continuing to increase.

All club-based sports have attracted new participants over the five-year period to 2024, with existing sporting infrastructure under pressure to cater for growing demand.

With the population of Ocean Grove and Wallington forecast to grow to by 14.6% by 2034, participation in organised sport is expected to continue to increase, with additional sports facilities provision required to cater for demand.

Participation by Club

Sport / Club	2019	2024	2019-2024	Participation Rate	
	Participation	Participation	Growth	Ocean Grove/ Wallington	Victoria*
Baseball					
Bellarine Bears Baseball Club	100	116	+16 (+16%)	0.6%	0.2%*
Cricket	441	435	-6 (-1%)		
Ocean Grove Cricket Club	191	65	-126 (-67%)	2.1%	2.7%
Collendina Cricket Club	170	183	+13 (+8%)		
Wallington Cricket Club	80	187	+107 (+134%)		
AFL	701	1,044	+343 (+49%)		
Ocean Grove FNC (Football)	301	440	+139 (+46%)	5.1%	4.6%
Ocean Grove Cobras Junior FC	400	604	+204 (+51%)		
Soccer					
Ocean Grove Soccer Club	280	495	+215 (+77%)	2.4%	2.8%
Netball					
Ocean Grove FNC (Netball)	176	250	+74 (+42%)	1.2%	2.7%
Tennis					
Ocean Grove Tennis Club	420	369	-51 (-12%)	1.8%	3.5%

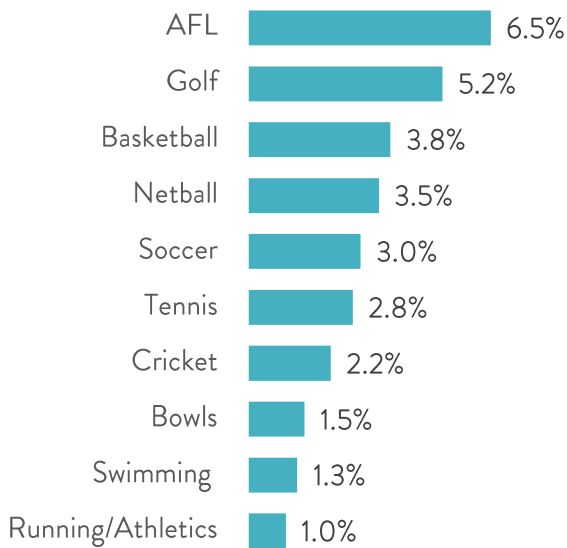
**Note: Victorian Participation Rate is derived from the AusPlay Victorian Club Participation Rates (collated data 2015-2023)
Club Participation Rate for baseball is not available, with the overall participation by activity rate used for comparison purposes*

PARTICIPATION TRENDS

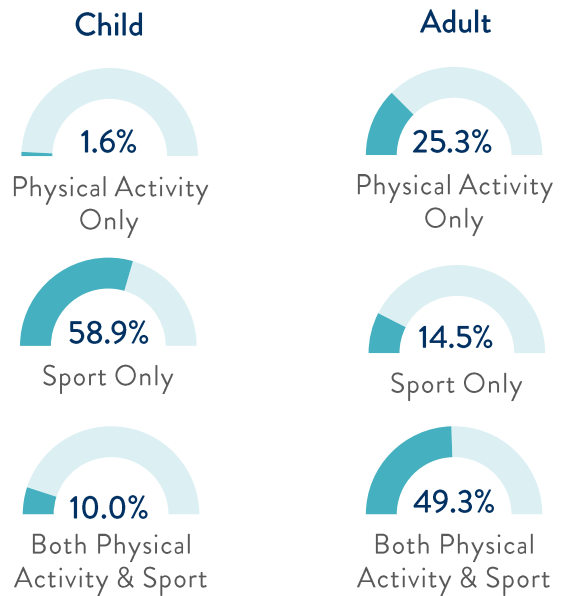
Trends in participation continue to evolve, with communities participating in ways that are driving the need for increased sporting infrastructure provision.

The national AusPlay participation survey identified the top club-based participation sports within the City of Greater Geelong between 2015-2023 (see below) and sets a baseline for the type and frequency of participation undertaken by adults and children (2022-2023).

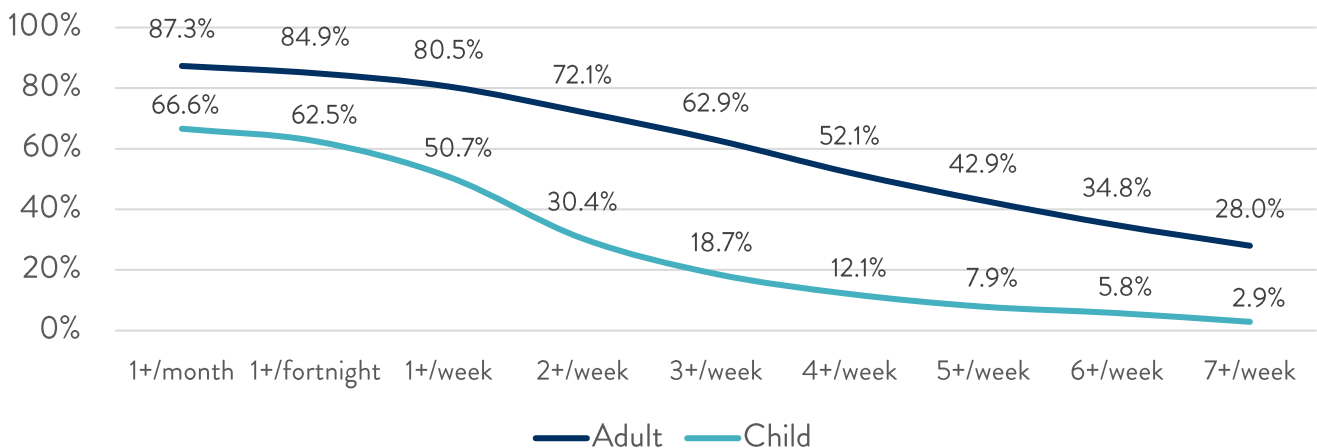
Top Sports Club Participation Activities:
City of Greater Geelong
AusPlay (Collated 2015-2023)



Participation Type: Victoria
AusPlay (2022-2023)



Participation Times Per Week: Victoria
AusPlay (2022-2023)





FACILITY DEMAND ASSESSMENT

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Ocean Grove and Wallington must increase sports facility provision to cater for growing population and participation rates across the community.

An assessment of facility demand supports the need for sports facility development relative to population provision ratios and participation growth over the next 10 years.

Facility Provision by Population

Facility Type	Current Provision	Provision Ratio	2025		2035	
			Provision required	Surplus / Deficit	Provision required	Surplus / Deficit
Baseball Diamond	1 diamond	1:40,000	0	+1	0	+1
Cricket Oval	6 ovals	1:4,000	5	+1	6	0
AFL Oval	4 ovals	1:5,000	4	0	5	-1
Soccer Pitch	2 pitches	1:5,000	4	-2	5	-3
Netball Court	5 courts	1:5,000*	4	0	5	-1
Tennis Court	17 courts	1:3,000	7	+10	8	+9

**Note: The netball court provision ratio has been calculated by applying the Netball Victoria participant-to-court ratio for regional areas (1:60) to determine the current number of courts required and calculating an adjusted provision ratio of 1:5,000 based on population data*

Participation Analysis by Sport

Sport	Participation			Participation Rate		Forecast Participation 2035 (based on participation rate)
	2019	2024	Growth	Ocean Grove/ Wallington	Victoria**	
Baseball	100	116	+16 (+16%)	0.6%	0.2%**	145
Cricket	441	435	-6 (-1%)	2.1%	2.7%	506
AFL	701	1,044	+343 (+49%)	5.1%	4.6%	1,228
Soccer	280	495	+215 (+77%)	2.4%	2.8%	578
Netball	176	250	+74 (+42%)	1.2%	2.7%	289
Tennis	420	369	-51 (-12%)	3.6%	3.5%	867

***Note: Victorian Participation Rate is derived from the AusPlay Victorian Club Participation Rates (collated data 2015-2023) Club Participation Rate for baseball is not available, with the overall participation by activity rate used for comparison purposes*

FACILITY DEMAND ASSESSMENT

Based on the Facility Demand Assessment, the following sports infrastructure needs have been identified for Ocean Grove and Wallington:

Baseball	Provision of an additional baseball diamond due to participation at Wallington Reserve and the broader service catchment across the Bellarine Peninsula
Cricket	Provision of an additional oval to cater for growing participation and mitigate the need for clubs to use ovals outside of the Ocean Grove/Wallington area for home matches
Australian Football	Provision of an additional oval to cater for demand generated through population and participation growth
Netball	Provide an additional court to cater for growing demand, and provide flexible use and fixturing options for clubs and user groups
Soccer	Provision of two additional soccer pitches to cater for existing needs and projected participation growth
Tennis	Retention of existing courts to cater for club needs within Ocean Grove (12 courts) and public access at Wallington (5 courts)





CLUB & FACILITY USER NEEDS

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Based on the analysis of facility provision and consultation with clubs and user groups, the following club and user group needs have been identified to optimise club and user group operations, and continue to grow participation.

Club	Facilities Used	Infrastructure Needs Analysis
Ocean Grove Football Netball Club (Football)	Shell Road Reserve (1 oval) Memorial Reserve (1 oval)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two ovals meet club needs for matches and training, with a preference for two ovals to be located at Shell Road Reserve to centralise club operations Upgraded sportslighting and coaches boxes, and behind goal netting required on the oval at Shell Road Reserve
Ocean Grove Football Netball Club (Netball)	Shell Road Reserve (4 courts)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing netball courts at Shell Road Reserve are adequate to meet club needs Improvements to seating, shelter and player amenities Addition of fifth court (show court) as demand grows
Ocean Grove Cricket Club	Shell Road Reserve (1 oval) Memorial Reserve (1 oval)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two ovals meet club needs for matches and training, with a preference for two ovals to be located at Shell Road Reserve to centralise club operations Upgrading the practice facility at Shell Road Reserve from 3 lanes to 4 lanes would enable the consolidation of club training
Ocean Grove Soccer Club	Shell Road Reserve (2 pitches)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two pitches are reaching capacity, with an additional pitch required to meet club needs Fixturing clashes with OGFNC on match days create pavilion access issues
Ocean Grove Cobras Junior Football Club	Collendina Reserve (1 oval) Memorial Reserve (1 oval) Shell Road Reserve (1 oval)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two ovals meet current club needs, with access to an additional oval required within five years. Change facilities require upgrading to meet accessibility and inclusion requirements
Collendina Cricket Club	Collendina Reserve (1 oval) <i>Bellarine Secondary College (1 oval)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two ovals meet club needs for matches and training Upgrade of the practice facility to four lanes and improve condition Upgrade of pavilion and change facilities

CLUB & FACILITY USER NEEDS

Club	Facilities Used	Infrastructure Needs Analysis
Ocean Grove Tennis Club	Arthur Powell Reserve (7 courts) Shell Road Reserve (5 courts)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retention of access to all existing courts required to meet club needs Upgrade of public courts and installation of sportslighting at Arthur Powell Reserve to increase capacity and accessibility
Bellarine Bears Baseball Club	Wallington Reserve (1 diamond)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upgrade of current baseball diamond to comply with requirements for senior baseball Access to a second diamond to cater for additional teams as demand is demonstrated
Wallington Cricket Club	Wallington Reserve (1 oval) <i>Devlins Road Reserve North (Oakdene) (1 oval)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two ovals meet club needs for matches and training, with a preference for access to a second oval in Ocean Grove / Wallington Upgrade of change rooms to meet user needs
Memorial Reserve Hall Committee of Management	Memorial Reserve Hall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete detailed investigations and preliminary design work to determine the viability of an extension of the recreation hall to the west Retain access to the recreation hall and improve access to storage for equipment for active clubs and user groups Provision of suitable change facilities for children Investigate options to access additional courts for pickleball at Memorial Reserve, Shell Road Reserve or Wallington Reserve as demand is demonstrated



STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

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<h2>1. Facility Provision</h2> <p>The Ocean Grove and Wallington community has access to sports facilities that support future growth and provide a diversity of opportunities to participate</p>	<h2>2. Sustainable Clubs</h2> <p>Our clubs are successful and sustainable, with access to high quality facilities that meet user needs and enable efficient club operation</p>	<h2>3. Access & Inclusion</h2> <p>Our facilities are accessible and inclusive, creating more opportunities for all people to play, officiate, volunteer and spectate</p>
<p>1.1 Increase the capacity of existing facilities to support growing participation</p> <p>1.2 Improve the capability of facilities to meet user needs and create new opportunities to participate</p> <p>1.3 Establish new facilities in areas of population growth and residential development</p>	<p>2.1 Enable clubs to prosper through the appropriate provision of facilities for club needs</p> <p>2.2 Optimise facility use arrangements to enable efficient club operation and minimise impacts on volunteers</p> <p>2.3 Support our clubs and user groups in advocating for investment in facility development priorities</p>	<p>3.1 Create sports facilities that are accessible to people with diverse needs</p> <p>3.2 Increase the flexibility of facilities to provide new opportunities for participation</p> <p>3.3 Provide infrastructure that engages our community as participants, officials, volunteers and spectators</p>

Strategic Sporting Infrastructure Provision Recommendations

Sport	Strategic Infrastructure Priorities
Baseball	Provision of a second baseball diamond at Wallington Recreation Reserve as increasing demand is demonstrated
Cricket	Provision of an additional oval at Shell Road Reserve to cater for demand
Australian Football	Provision of an additional oval at Shell Road Reserve to cater for demand
Netball	Provision of an additional covered court and courtside player/umpire amenities at Shell Road Reserve to cater for demand and provide flexibility of use
Soccer	Provision of two soccer pitches at Devlins Road Reserve to enable the transition of soccer to the site from Shell Road Reserve
Tennis	Retain existing courts and explore opportunities to expand use

Note: While this plan focuses on the provision of outdoor sporting infrastructure, it also acknowledges broader trends across the sporting network. This includes the City's 2022 review of the Geelong Indoor Recreation Facilities Strategy, which serves as a key supporting document and outlines a strategic approach to the provision, enhancement, and development of indoor facilities over the next 20 years. The plan also recognises the growing popularity of emerging sports, including pickleball.



RESERVE SUMMARIES



Sporting Reserves

No.	Reserve	Address	Existing Sporting Facilities	Proposed Sporting Facilities
1	Shell Road Reserve	2A Shell Road, Ocean Grove	Two soccer pitches, one AFL/cricket oval, four netball courts, five tennis courts, cricket nets (three lanes)	Two AFL/cricket ovals, five netball courts (including a covered court), five tennis courts, cricket nets (four lanes)
2	Memorial Reserve	123-127 The Avenue, Ocean Grove	One AFL/cricket oval, recreation hall, scout hall, cricket nets (three lanes)	One AFL/cricket oval, recreation hall, scout hall, cricket nets (three lanes)
3	Collendina Reserve	18A Minerva Close, Ocean Grove	One AFL/cricket oval, cricket nets (three lanes)	One AFL/cricket oval, cricket nets (four lanes)
4	Devilins Road Reserve	152 Devilins Rd, Ocean Grove	One AFL/cricket oval	One AFL/cricket oval, two soccer pitches, soccer training area
5	Arthur Powell Reserve	139-161 Asbury Street East, Ocean Grove	Seven tennis courts	Seven tennis courts
6	Wallington Recreation Reserve	481-487 Wallington Road, Wallington	One cricket oval/baseball diamond, cricket nets (three lanes), five tennis courts	One cricket oval/two baseball diamonds, cricket nets (three lanes), multipurpose hardcourts

SHELL ROAD RESERVE

Shell Road Reserve is a sub-regional sport and recreation reserve that hosts a range of sport and active recreation activities, including Australian football, cricket, soccer, netball and tennis.

The reserve is located centrally within Ocean Grove at the corner of Shell Road and Tuckfield St.

The reserve currently provides one AFL/cricket oval, two soccer pitches, three-lane cricket practice facility, four netball courts, five tennis courts and a main pavilion.

Ocean Grove Football Netball Club requires access to additional facilities after growing significantly in the past five years (AFL: +54%, Netball: +42%), while Ocean Grove Soccer Club requires further room to expand after growing by 77% since 2019.

Growth in participation and conflicting user needs have created the need for change at Shell Road Reserve to ensure all clubs are sustainable in the future.

Key Development Drivers

1. Consolidation of club operations for Ocean Grove Football Netball Club and Ocean Grove Cricket Club at Shell Road Reserve.
2. Increase the capacity of facilities to cater for AFL, cricket, netball and tennis, with the transition of soccer away from Shell Road Reserve.
3. Mitigate pavilion access conflicts created by the concurrent fixturing of senior AFL and soccer matches.
4. Improve equity of access to change facilities and amenities for female participants.
5. Retain the existing site use for tennis.
6. Improve supporting infrastructure to cater for increasing use by clubs, user groups and the community.

Facility Development Recommendations

1. Construct a second oval on the site of the two soccer pitches and upgrade other infrastructure including the western change rooms, amenities and canteen.
2. Following the relocation of the Ocean Grove Soccer Club to Devlins Road Reserve, seasonally allocate the new oval to Ocean Grove Football Netball Club and Ocean Grove Cricket Club.
3. Upgrade and expand the cricket practice facilities (one additional lane), and provide an adjacent cricket storage facility.
4. Construct one additional undercover netball court (show court), and provide fit-for purpose off-court netball facilities.
5. Retain and upgrade the public tennis courts and pavilion, and when demand arises, overlay line-marking for pickleball on to two courts.

Shell Road Reserve

Master Plan

Scale @ A3: 1:2000

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RECOMMENDATIONS

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| <p>1 New AFL/ Cricket Oval, including sub-surface irrigation and drainage, floodlights to training standard, player shelters, synthetic surface cricket pitch, and perimeter fence.</p> <p>2 Install protective netting behind each goal.</p> <p>3 New electronic scoreboard.</p> <p>4 Install an oval perimeter path (1.5m).</p> <p>5 Western side will require a retaining wall to be constructed to allow for change in grade.</p> <p>6 New multipurpose active recreation space, investigate feasibility of reusing the existing sub-surface irrigation and drainage.</p> <p>7 New sealed car park (34 spaces) with pedestrian path linking the existing pedestrian path to the new oval perimeter path</p> | <p>8 Convert the existing 4 soccer change rooms to two AFL compliant change rooms, enlarge the canteen space, and extend the undercover viewing area.</p> <p>9 Repurpose the existing netball rooms within the main pavilion once the courtside facilities have been constructed.</p> <p>10 When courts are resurfaced, ensure court line marking achieves 4 compliant courts.</p> <p>11 New undercover netball show court with competition sports lighting compliant to Netball Victoria's Infrastructure Development Guidelines.</p> <p>12 New court-side netball change facilities and storage.</p> <p>13 Terraced spectator seating.</p> | <p>14 Consider an alternate fence treatment to better integrate the Ocean Grove Neighbourhood Centre with the reserve.</p> <p>15 Explore the viability of including additional parking along Tuckfield Street.</p> <p>16 Retain existing local-level play space and renew the at the end of useful life via the City's asset renewal program. Consider any changes or additional embellishments as demand demonstrates.</p> <p>17 Upgrade existing non-compliant synthetic run-ups and add an additional lane and storage to the cricket practice nets.</p> <p>18 New pedestrian path.</p> <p>19 Upgrade the tennis court surface and sports lighting as required and when demand arises, overlay line-marking for Pickleball to two tennis courts.</p> <p>20 Redevelop the existing tennis pavilion to support the current and future needs of the tenant club.</p> | <p>21 New sealed path to replace existing asphalt path.</p> <p>22 New home club coaches box.</p> <p>23 Strengthen the tree planting throughout the reserve (location subject to further investigation).</p> |
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LEGEND

- SUBJECT AREA
- P CAR PARKING
- NEARBY BUS STOP
- LIGHTING
- PS PLAY SPACE

MEMORIAL RESERVE

Memorial Reserve, formerly Ocean Grove’s primary sporting reserve, plays an important role in providing a diverse range of participation opportunities for the Ocean Grove community.

Prior to the Ocean Grove Football Netball Club (OGFNC) and Ocean Grove Cricket Club (OGCC) relocating to Shell Road Reserve in 2016, Memorial Reserve was the home facility for both clubs. Since the transition, the site has been used as a secondary facility for organised sport.

With the redevelopment of Shell Road Reserve to provide a second oval and centralised use of the reserve by OGFNC and OGCC, Memorial Reserve will play an important role in providing additional facilities for Cobras Junior Football Club and Collendina Cricket Club.

In addition to use for organised sport, the recreation hall provides a central venue for a range of organised activities including badminton, table tennis, calisthenics, soft tennis and pickleball.

The site is also home to a scout hall, which is primarily used for scout group activities.

Key Development Drivers

1. Extend the recreation hall and improve facilities to better cater to the needs of user groups and community.
2. Retain and improve the capability of the reserve to host football and cricket matches and training.
3. Enhance the open space character of the reserve to promote increased unstructured use by the community.

Facility Development Recommendations

1. Complete detailed investigations and preliminary design work to determine the viability of an extension of the recreation hall to the west.
2. Implement an integrated upgrade to the pavilion, including the provision of gender-neutral player/umpire change rooms and improve accessibility throughout the facility.
3. Upgrade sportslighting to competition standard for AFL.
4. Following the completion of the second oval at Shell Road Reserve, seasonally allocate Memorial Reserve to the Cobras Junior Football Club and Collendina Cricket Club.
5. Remove surplus sporting infrastructure and enhance informal open space with landscaping embellishments.

Ocean Grove Memorial Reserve

Master Plan

Scale @ A3: 1:1000

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RECOMMENDATIONS

- ① Remove surplus sporting infrastructure and return to open space.
- ② Retain existing cricket practice facility and maintain for club and community use. Upgrade as demand is demonstrated.
- ③ New electronic scoreboard.
- ④ Improved access to car-parking within the reserve to reduce on-street parking burden during peak periods.
- ⑤ Retain existing local-level play space and renew at the end of useful life via the City's asset renewal program. Consider any changes or additional embellishments as demand demonstrates.
- ⑥ Increase tree planting throughout the reserve, and other landscape embellishments.
- ⑦ Upgrade the sports lighting to the playing surface to support training and competition.
- ⑧ Improve the accessibility throughout the the recreation hall and the pavilion.
- ⑨ Build additional storage for hall user groups and sports clubs.
- ⑩ Upgrade player change rooms, umpire change rooms and associated amenities.
- ⑪ Upgrade the existing public toilets to include an accessible toilet and toilets within the pavilion.
- ⑫ Complete detailed investigations and preliminary design work to determine the viability of an extension to of the Hall to the west.

LEGEND

- SUBJECT AREA
- P CAR PARKING
- BUS NEARBY BUS STOP
- ☀ LIGHTING
- PS PLAY SPACE

COLLENDINA RESERVE

Collendina Reserve is a local sport and recreation reserve that hosts AFL and cricket matches and training.

The reserve is located on Bonnyvale Road in the south-east of Ocean Grove, with access to the reserve off Minerva Close.

The site provides a single oval, three-lane cricket practice facility and pavilion, as well as a playspace for community use.

While the existing oval meets club needs for Collendina Cricket Club, a pavilion and change facilities upgrade is required to ensure facilities are inclusive and accessible. The cricket practice facility also requires an upgrade and expansion to cater for club needs.

Increased use of the reserve by the broader community can be encouraged through improved supporting infrastructure and improved safety.

Key Development Drivers

1. Retain use of Collendina Reserve by existing clubs
2. Improvement of the pavilion and change facilities to comply with facility guidelines and increase accessibility for all users
3. Improvement of infrastructure relating to the oval
4. Improvement of internal roadways and parking to increase user safety
5. Create infrastructure that encourages greater unstructured use of the reserve by the local community

Facility Development Recommendations

1. Upgrade and extend the pavilion to provide compliant gender-neutral player and umpire change rooms, and improved social and kitchen facilities.
2. Improve infrastructure relating to the oval, including boundary fence and building for timekeepers, storage, first aid and spectators.
3. Upgrade the cricket practice facility, including the installation of a fourth lane.
4. Construct new internal roads and car parking to improve user safety.
5. Encourage increased community use through the construction of a new path network and other landscape improvements.

Collendina Reserve

Master Plan

Scale @ A3: 1:1500

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RECOMMENDATIONS

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| <p>① Formalise the access road and install a sealed path with Minerva Close.</p> <p>② Seal car-park and line-mark to approx 30 space</p> <p>③ Relocate or remove the existing water tank subject to further design and investigations.</p> <p>④ Upgrade and extend the pavilion to include a larger social room, accessible toilets, relocated and extended kitchen, covered spectator viewing platform, and gender-neutral change rooms.</p> <p>⑤ Redevelop existing local-level play space in line with the City's asset renewal program. Consider changes to location or additional embellishments as demand demonstrates.</p> | <p>⑥ Retain reserve gate.</p> <p>⑦ Sealed Concrete Path.</p> <p>⑧ Install an oval perimeter fence with chain-mesh infill to restrict access to and from the oval to three locations as shown, and also prevent cricket balls from entering the canal.</p> <p>⑨ New gravel road and turnaround bowl.</p> <p>⑩ New electronic scoreboard.</p> <p>⑪ Retain as open space and utilise for overflow parking, as required.</p> | <p>⑫ New unsealed path around the oval and connecting to existing pedestrian bridges over the canals.</p> <p>⑬ Upgrade and reorient the cricket practice facility and install a 4th lane.</p> <p>⑭ Strengthen the tree planting throughout the reserve (locations subject to further investigation)</p> |
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LEGEND

-  SUBJECT AREA
-  CAR PARKING
-  NEARBY BUS STOP
-  LIGHTING
-  PLAY SPACE

DEVLINS ROAD RESERVE

Devlins Road Reserve is a new reserve located within Ocean Grove’s northern growth corridor, forming part of the open space contribution aligned with the Kingston and Oakdene residential estates.

The reserve is partially developed, with a senior-sized AFL/cricket oval constructed on the northern side of the site.

The southern section of the reserve is currently undeveloped, with space allocated to provide additional sports playing fields, pavilion, playspace, and supporting infrastructure such as paths and landscape improvements.

The development of Devlins Road Reserve will enable the transition of use across a number of sites, with the transfer of Ocean Grove Soccer Club to the site enabling the development of a second oval at Shell Road Reserve.

Key Development Drivers

1. Increase the playing field capacity within Ocean Grove to cater for participation growth across soccer, AFL and cricket
2. Creation of new home facility for soccer in Ocean Grove, enabling the transition of Shell Road Reserve to provide ovals primarily for AFL and cricket use
3. Activate use of the site as an overflow venue for football and cricket.

Facility Development Recommendations

1. Develop soccer pitches, a pavilion and associated supporting infrastructure in the southern section of the reserve and relocate the Ocean Grove Soccer Club to the reserve.
2. Seasonally allocate the northern oval to the Ocean Grove Soccer Club for junior soccer as the priority winter sport, and to the Cobras Junior Football Club for overflow junior football, to be scheduled around soccer use.
3. Seasonally allocate the northern oval to the Wallington Cricket Club as an overflow oval.

Devlins Road Reserve

Master Plan

Scale @ A3: 1:1500

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RECOMMENDATIONS

1 SOCCER PITCHES

- Construct 2 new soccer pitches (105mx68m) with at least 3m run-offs for both.
- Provide netting behind goals as required.
- Provide sports lighting to both fields compliant to Football Victoria's competition standard subject to detailed design aligning with Australian Lighting Standards.
- Provide new connections to Devlins Oval pathway network.

2 NEW SOCCER PAVILION

- Construct new pavilion.
- Once constructed existing change facilities at Oakdene Reserve will be demolished/re-located. Vacated area to be returned to car parking.

3 TRAFFIC, CAR PARKING AND ACCESS

- Sealed car parking including designated accessible car parking spaces. Security lighting within the sealed area of the car park to comply with Australian Standards.
- Connect new car park into existing car park at Devlins Road Reserve North.
- Allow for car park expansion to the north of the show pitch.

4 PLAY SPACE AND TOILETS

- New community district-level play space aligned with play space strategy and guidelines.
- Provide new public toilets and ensure toilets are provisioned as per public toilets guidelines.

5 TRAINING AREA

- Future informal training area (68m x 68m with 3m run-offs with lights to training standard.
- Delivery of synthetic pitch to be investigated.

6 PATHWAYS

- Provide new inter-connecting pathways across the reserve to improve accessibility.
- 3m wide gravel path to allow for maintenance and emergency vehicle access if required. Add access gate to

7 DRAINAGE AND STORM WATER

- Optional new storm water basin to be located in an appropriate area pending future investigations.
- Install site-wide drainage to be directed to on-site basin as required.

8 TREES AND OPEN SPACE

- Remove Cypress Trees as required and in line with the staged delivery with the reserve.
- Re-nature and establish new trees. Explore opportunities to achieve 15% tree canopy across the Reserve with indigenous plantings to off-set the loss of Cypress trees in between both ovals.

LEGEND

- SUBJECT AREA
- CAR PARKING
- NEARBY BUS STOP
- LIGHTING
- PLAY SPACE
- LEFT-IN / LEFT-OUT
- PROTECTIVE NETTING

ARTHUR POWELL RESERVE

Arthur Powell Reserve is Ocean Grove’s primary tennis facility and the home of the Ocean Grove Tennis Club.

The reserve is centrally located on Asbury Street East, Ocean Grove, 150 metres north of Memorial Reserve.

The site provides seven courts, with five exclusive use club courts (synthetic grass) and two public access courts (hard court surface). The club courts are in good condition and have sportslighting, while the two public courts are in poor condition, are non-compliant, and have no sportslighting.

Ocean Grove Tennis Club is a vibrant community club with a large membership base, requiring access to additional courts to support competition, coaching and social play.

Integration of the public access courts with the club courts to provide a seven-court club facility with access to the community outside of times of use by the club will enable growth in organised tennis participation.

Key Development Drivers

1. Integration of the club courts and public access courts to provide an improved facility to support tennis participation.
2. Improvement of the condition and compliance of the public access courts.
3. Retain options for public access of tennis courts at the site outside of times of club use for competitions, programs and coaching.

Facility Development Recommendations

1. Reconstruct the two public tennis courts into two new compliant acrylic courts with floodlights by extending the footprint to the south-east.
2. Redevelop the existing club tennis courts to comply with facility guidelines
3. Allocate the new courts to the Ocean Grove Tennis Club for a total of seven onsite courts, making sure the courts remain accessible to the public via a book-a-court system when not required by the club (in accordance with the City of Greater Geelong’s Fair Play Strategy 2017).
4. *Note: The tennis pavilion at Shell Road Reserve will be upgraded to support access to tennis.*

Arthur Powell Reserve

Master Plan

Scale @ A3: 1:1000

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RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1 Redevelop the existing public courts to meet compliance with Tennis guidelines.
- 2 Allocate the redeveloped courts to the Ocean Grove Tennis Club for a total of seven onsite courts, making sure they remain accessible to the public via a book-a-court system when not required by the club (in accordance with the City of Greater Geelong's Fair Play Strategy 2017).
- 3 Complete detailed site investigations to determine the viability of the extension of public courts to the south-east.
- 4 Ensure a universal connection from clubrooms to the public courts by extending the existing concrete path for better access.
- 5 Retain and maintain passive open space
- 6 Retain and maintain the existing on-street car-parking on Madeley Street and Karri Close.
- 7 Retain existing local-level play space and renew at the end of useful life via the City's asset renewal program. Consider any changes or additional embellishments as demand demonstrates.

LEGEND

- SUBJECT AREA
- CAR PARKING
- NEARBY BUS STOP
- LIGHTING
- PLAY SPACE

WALLINGTON RECREATION RESERVE

Wallington Recreation Reserve is the primary sport and recreation reserve within Wallington, located approximately 6 km north-west of the Ocean Grove town centre.

The reserve provides a diverse range of facilities, including an oval (incorporating a baseball diamond), cricket and baseball practice facilities, pavilion, five tennis/netball courts and associated clubroom.

While the facilities at the site create opportunities to participate in a range of activities, improvements are required to comply with sport guidelines and encourage the future growth of clubs and user groups.

Key Development Drivers

1. Expand the provision of compliant playing fields that support baseball participation, while retaining use for cricket
2. Increase accessibility within the pavilion, change facilities and public amenities
3. Retain public access to tennis and netball facilities at the site

Facility Development Recommendations

1. Retain use of the reserve for cricket (Wallington Cricket Club) and baseball (Bellarine Bears Baseball Club).
2. Construct a compliant senior baseball diamond, and master plan for a future second diamond (junior size) as demand is demonstrated.
3. Install sportslighting on the senior baseball diamond.
4. Upgrade the pavilion to provide fit-for-purpose and gender-neutral player and umpire change rooms, and improved social and kitchen facilities, and public toilets.
5. Consider the future potential to upgrade the tennis courts and netball court, and add a hardcourt area for additional potential ball sports.

Wallington Recreation Reserve

Master Plan

Scale @ A3: 1:1500






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RECOMMENDATIONS

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| <p>1 Remove the required number of Cypress pines to enable a new compliant senior baseball field to be constructed. Works include realignment of the baseball field, new back net, dug-outs, scorers box and gates.</p> <p>2 New Womens / Junior baseball field back net and in-field to be constructed as demand is demonstrated.</p> <p>3 Existing cricket store.</p> <p>4 Existing outdoor baseball training facility and adjoining cricket practice facility.</p> <p>5 Existing indoor baseball training facility.</p> | <p>6 Formalise the reserve road and car parking. Ensure clear site lines at the reserve entry, and in the future consider the need for slip lanes.</p> <p>7 Install baseball sports lighting</p> <p>8 Remove the public toilet block and incorporate facilities into the pavilion redevelopment.</p> <p>9 Upgrade and extend the pavilion to provide two compliant baseball/cricket changerooms, a shared kitchen/canteen, bar, social space, internal toilets and storage. Allow for external sensor lights to light the car park.</p> <p>10 Investigate options to resolve poor drainage issue.</p> <p>11 Retain existing local-level play space and renew at the end of useful life via the City's asset renewal program. Consider any changes or additional embellishments as demand demonstrates.</p> | <p>12 Bellarine Pigeon Club pavilion. Review usage of the asset and explore alternative usage options commensurate with future demands.</p> <p>13 New path to connect the courts with the new public toilets within the pavilion redevelopment.</p> <p>14 Divert the unsealed road around the baseball backnet.</p> <p>15 Retain as open space.</p> <p>16 Consider future potential to upgrade the tennis courts and netball court, and add hardcourt area for additional potential ball sports as demand is demonstrated.</p> | <p>17 Strengthen the tree planting throughout the reserve.</p> <p>18 New unsealed path.</p> <p>19 New electronic scoreboard.</p> |
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LEGEND

-  SUBJECT AREA
-  CAR PARKING
-  NEARBY BUS STOP
-  LIGHTING
-  PLAY SPACE



IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

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The Ocean Grove Sporting Infrastructure Plan establishes recommendations for development of sport and recreation reserve across Ocean Grove and Wallington. The implementation of the OGSIP will occur in a staged approach, with projects prioritised based on community need, funding availability and required project sequencing.

This implementation plan outlines the proposed facility development projects for each reserve, including estimated project cost, priority level, predecessors and responsibilities.

The implementation of the recommendations of the OGSIP will require a collaborative approach between Council, stakeholders and the community.

Project Prioritisation

Facility development recommendations are allocated into high, medium and low prioritisation categories.

While the prioritisation categories provide an indicative order of implementation, the categories do not indicate specific timeframes for the delivery of projects within the implementation plan.

The implementation of projects is subject to a range of factors, including:

- Funding availability
- Further investigation, research, design and consultation
- Current and future priorities of the City of Greater Geelong, the relevant sporting clubs and user groups, and other community stakeholders.

Project Costs

Indicative cost estimates have been developed as part of the report and are based on the best available information at the time of preparation.

- Estimates have been prepared using conceptual details known at the time and may change as the project progresses though further detailed design and site investigations.
- Each cost component is subject to funding availability, meaning the estimates provided are not final and will require further review.
- As additional project details are confirmed and funding is secured, cost estimates and underlying assumptions will need to be reassessed to ensure accuracy and alignment with the final project scope.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

No.	Development Priorities	Priority
Shell Road Reserve		
1.	Construct a second oval on the site of the two soccer pitches and upgrade other infrastructure including change rooms, amenities and canteen.	High
2.	Upgrade and expand the cricket practice facility (one additional lane), and provide an adjacent cricket storage facility.	Medium
3.	Construct one additional undercover netball court (show court), and provide fit-for purpose off-court netball facilities.	Medium
Memorial Reserve		
1.	Complete detailed investigations and preliminary design work to determine the viability of an extension of the hall to the west.	High
2.	Upgrade the recreation hall and social rooms, including the provision of gender-neutral player and umpire change rooms, and additional storage space for user groups.	High
Collendina Reserve		
1.	Upgrade the pavilion to provide compliant gender-neutral player and umpire change rooms, and improved social and kitchen facilities.	High
2.	Upgrade the cricket practice facility, including the installation of a fourth lane.	High
Devlins Road Reserve		
1.	Develop soccer pitches, a pavilion and associated supporting infrastructure in the southern section of the reserve to support the relocation of Ocean Grove Soccer Club to the reserve.	High
Arthur Powell Reserve		
1.	Reconstruct the two public tennis courts to provide two new compliant acrylic courts with sportslighting.	Medium
Wallington Recreation Reserve		
1.	Redevelop the existing senior baseball diamond to comply with guidelines and plan for a future second junior-sized diamond as demand is demonstrated.	Medium
2.	Upgrade the pavilion to provide gender-neutral player and umpire change rooms, improved social and kitchen facilities, and public toilets.	Medium

