



BEAUMARIS SECONDARY COLLEGE

NEW SPORTING FACILITIES

The Victorian Government has committed a total of \$20 million to develop the new Beaumaris Secondary College. The facility will include world-class sporting facilities built in partnership with the Melbourne Cricket Club (MCC).

Who is building the sporting facilities?

All of the facilities at Beaumaris Secondary College are being delivered by the Victorian School Building Authority. The Authority is a new infrastructure body that builds on the existing infrastructure planning and delivery strengths of the Department of Education and Training.

Why has the Department of Education and training partnered with the Melbourne Cricket Club?

In line with the Department's Community Joint Use Agreements policy, partnering with local councils, community and business organisations to share school facilities is encouraged. An injection of additional funds by a non-school partner provides the opportunity for the Department to construct facilities of an enhanced scale and standard.

The proposed partnership with the MCC will maximise the use of school facilities and provide significant education, economic and broader community benefits. These include stronger social networks between schools and communities, better availability of sports and other facilities and financial savings by sharing costs.

Examples of other successful partnerships include:

Department of Education and Training facility	Partner
Berwick Secondary College - hockey pitch	Casey City Council
Diamond Valley Secondary College & Diamond Creek Primary School - stadium	Nillumbik Shire Council
Hazel Glen College - scout & community centre	Scouts Association of Australia Vic Branch
Melbourne High School - hockey pitch and pavilion	Melbourne Cricket Club Foundation Ltd
Officer Secondary College - 3-court stadium and community hub	Cardinia City Council
Parkdale Secondary College - community precinct external playing fields	Kingston City Council
Western Heights Secondary College - library and oval precinct	Geelong City Council
Caroline Springs - library, sport & recreation centre, ovals	Melton City council

What agreements are in place with the MCC?

In establishing shared use agreements for school facilities, the financial and legal implications and obligations for all parties are clearly outlined in a formalised agreement.

A Development Agreement for Beaumaris Secondary College between the Minister for Education and the Melbourne Cricket Club Foundation Limited (MCC) has been prepared agreeing to joint use of the facility, including community use.

What sporting facilities will be provided?

The development will comprise the following new facilities:

- Indoor competition-grade netball/basketball court – DET funded
- Outdoor courts – DET funded
- Senior Oval (160m x 145m) – MCC funded
- Community Oval (140m x 115m) – MCC funded
- Multi-Purpose Pitch (110m x 75m) – MCC funded
- Pavilion – MCC funded

How will the facilities be used?

The School will have full use of the facilities during school hours (defined in the Agreement as 7am – 4:30pm when the School is open) with the exception of the centre cricket wicket on the Senior Oval which requires MCC approval.

Use of the Multi-Purpose Pitch by the MCC is limited to one night per week and one weekend day/night. The MCC will encourage use of the Community Oval by community groups outside of its own usage requirements.

Provision has been made for the school to use the Community Oval at least 8 times per year and the Multi-Purpose Pitch at least 3 times per term outside of school hours. This is to occur free of charge. In addition, the School Council is entitled to request additional use of any of the ovals and pitch subject to the MCC's requirements and existing bookings.

The MCC will utilise the Senior Oval and Pavilion outside of school hours. In exceptional circumstances the School Council may permit the MCC to use the Senior Oval and Pavilion during

school hours under strict conditions. Other school sports facilities will not be used by the MCC.

What factors have influenced the design of the MCC-funded sporting facilities?

SENIOR OVAL

The Senior Oval will be a premium facility for both the MCC and the students of Beaumaris Secondary College, designed to accommodate premier grade cricket and football. The oval will have 8-10 centre turf wickets.

At 160m x 145m, the Senior Oval meets the requirements under the AFL's Laws of the Game for senior grade competition. Due to the constraints of the site, the oval is smaller than the preferred size under the Laws of the Game and the Department of Education and Training's Building Quality Standards Handbook recommendation for secondary schools (both 175m x 145m including 5m run off).

The Senior Oval meets the minimum requirements for Premier Regional cricket (67.74m radius from the pitch used including 2.74m run off) and the recommended size for Open Age Community Club cricket (62.74m radius from the pitch used including 2.74m run off).

COMMUNITY OVAL

The Community Oval is 140m x 115m and is designed to meet the minimum requirements for Open Age Community Club level cricket (52.74m radius including 2.74m run off) and the recommended size for Under 16 cricket (57.74m radius including 2.74m run off). The oval will have six turf centre wickets and a practice wicket facility on the perimeter. The Community Oval size is below the recommended requirements for senior football under the AFL Laws of the Game, however the sizing was determined based on limiting intrusion into the adjacent vegetation whilst accommodating a wide variety of sporting activities to provide maximum benefits to the school and wider community.

MULTI-PURPOSE PITCH

The Multi-Purpose Pitch (110m x 75m) was designed with input from the local sporting community, including the provision to enable two junior soccer matches to occur simultaneously (each 51m x 71m including 3m run off). The Pitch will also accommodate MCC's lacrosse section and meets the Football Federation of Victoria's minimum requirements for senior soccer (106m x 66m including 3m run off).

A narrow perimeter path has been provided to both the Senior and Community Ovals and will serve a number of important functions. These include acting as a swale drain to capture water runoff, circulation for spectators and students and freedom to select their desired vantage point. Further, as the Community Oval will be free of fencing, the path will reduce the need to delve into bushland to retain footballs and cricket balls etc. Following feedback from the community, the design of the perimeter paths has been adjusted to enable the retention of existing trees.

What is the duration of the agreement?

The Agreement is for a period of 30 years, with provision to extend for a further 40 years.

How much will the MCC charge the community to use the facilities?

Hire rates for the Multi-Purpose Pitch and Community Oval will be similar to those charged by local government and other authorities for similar facilities.

Hiring of the Senior Oval is subject to reasonable terms and conditions given the nature of this facility.

Will the community be able to access the new ovals and the multi-use pitch?

Yes. The Multi-Purpose Pitch will be available for community sporting clubs use four nights of the week and one weekend day and night. Both ovals will be made available for community sporting club use when not in use by the MCC, along with other school sports facilities on the site being regularly available for hire. MCC sporting teams are not restricted to MCC members and are open for the community to participate.

The MCC will meet with the Bayside City Council and local community sporting clubs to understand needs and make a decision on allocation through the course of 2017.

When will new facilities be available?

The new school and sporting facilities will be completed for Term 1 2018, with the exception of the Games Hall which is subject to a further budget allocation.

Will the facilities be flood lit?

Yes, lighting is being considered for the ovals and Multi-Purpose Pitch to enable safe use of the facilities all year round. Extensive photometric mapping is currently being undertaken to ensure that the design is compliant with relevant standards and light spill is reduced to prevent adverse impacts on adjacent residences.

Will the school and sports facilities be fenced?

The Government supports community access to school sites outside of school hours with numerous entry points to remain. New and existing fencing of varying heights will be provided to parts of the school perimeter and sports facilities to ensure safety during sporting events as follows:

- 2m existing paling fence and mesh fence along the west boundary
- 1m mesh fence to Balcombe Rd / Granview Ave corner
- 2m mesh fence to Balcombe Rd west end
- 1m mesh fence to Balcombe Rd east end and Reserve Rd north end
- 4.5m mesh fences to the perimeter of the Multi-Purpose Pitch
- Existing 1m mesh fence to Long Hollow Heathland
- 0.8m picket fence to the Senior Oval

There will be no fence around the Community Oval.

Next steps

The Authority will work closely with the local community, the New School Planning Group and the MCC to ensure the needs of the School and the community are a key consideration as the joint operational model is refined.

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