
Sent: 20/09/2023 1:04:27 PM
Subject: Development Application (DA2023/1237)

Dear Northern Beaches Councillors,

I am writing to express my support for the Development Application (DA2023/1237) for the establishment of an indoor cricket facility at 11 Boola Place, Cromer. The benefits of such a facility for the Northern Beaches community are manifold and substantial, and I urge you to approve this valuable project.

First and foremost, cricket is a sport that has been gaining remarkable traction, not just among males but also among an increasingly diverse and expanding female player base. The absence of a dedicated, all-weather facility in our area has hindered the growth and practice of this inclusive sport. Given the unpredictable and increasingly variable weather conditions, an indoor facility would provide a consistent and dependable environment for practice and development.

Moreover, it's important to acknowledge the positive impact that sports and recreation centers have on the mental well-being of community members. Given the pressures of modern life, a dedicated space for physical activity can be a sanctuary that improves mental health, provides stress relief, and fosters social bonds.

Most critically, having a safe and dedicated recreational space like this could be invaluable for the children and youth in the area. Such a facility can serve as a hub where young people can engage in a constructive activity, develop teamwork skills, and stay physically active. This not only nurtures their talents but also contributes to building a healthier, happier, and more cohesive community.

The proposed indoor cricket facility represents far more than just a sporting venue; it's an investment in the well-being and future of our community. I strongly advocate for the approval of the Development Application for the benefit of all residents of the Northern Beaches.

I look forward to your positive and swift action on this application.

Sincerely,
Lachlan Barnsley
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