

# Draft Amended Community Services and Infrastructure Planning (Major Policy) 2021

Brimbank City Council, at its meeting on 17 August 2021, endorsed the draft amended Community Services and Infrastructure Planning (Major Policy) 2021 to proceed to Community Consultation:

## **The objectives of the updated draft Community Services and Infrastructure Planning (Major Policy) are:**

- Providing Council with a consistent, responsive and evidence based approach to its planning and delivery of local, connected and sustainable community services and facilities.
- Developing and maintaining a network of quality, flexible and responsive community services and infrastructure that are designed and operated to meet the diverse needs of the communities of Brimbank.
- Applying an evidence-based planning approach to understand universal needs and demands as well as addressing specific areas of disadvantage and inequity.
- Building and supporting an inclusive, healthy and resilient community.

## **The changes to the updated draft Community Services and Infrastructure Planning (Major Policy) are:**

- Addition of sport and recreation facilities in the policy scope to enable it to cover Councils Sports Facility Development Plan and Indoor Sports Facilities Feasibility Study.
- Minor updates and consolidation for Policy aims, objectives and definitions to cover added plans under the expanded scope.
- Updated guiding principles
- Inclusion of high level framework for assessing community infrastructure needs
- Updated related Council Policy and Strategy

## **The nature, purpose and rationale of the changes are:**

Council has three community infrastructure related Plans of which only one is currently covered by the existing Community Services and Infrastructure Planning (Major Policy) due to plans being developed at different times. Changes have been made to the updated draft Major Policy so it now covers and provide strategic direction for all of Councils community infrastructure plans.

The updated draft Community Services and Infrastructure Planning (Major Policy) is available on Council's website [www.brimbank.vic.gov.au](http://www.brimbank.vic.gov.au)

In accordance with the Governance (Major Policy Consultation) Local Law any person may make a written submission on the updated draft Community Services and Infrastructure Planning (Major Policy).

Written submissions must be received by 5pm on 20 September 2021, and can be sent to:

**Email:** [Leisurefeedback@brimbank.vic.gov.au](mailto:Leisurefeedback@brimbank.vic.gov.au)  
(Att: Manager Leisure and Community Facilities)  
or

**Post:** Manager Leisure and Community Facilities, Brimbank City Council,  
PO Box 70, Sunshine VIC 3020

Anyone who makes a written submission should also indicate if they wish to be heard by a Hearing of Submissions Committee, in support of their written submission. The Hearing of Submissions Committee meeting will be held at 6pm on 5 October 2021, as part of a virtual meeting. Details on how to access this meeting will be provided to all submitters wishing to be heard prior to the hearing.

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