



**MINUTES OF THE KATHERINE SPORT PRECINCT NETWORK ADVISORY GROUP -
WEDNESDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2011, CIVIC CENTRE, STUART HIGHWAY, KATHERINE**

1. OPENING

5-30pm

2. PRESENT

Toni Coutts (Chairman)	Alderman KTC
Peter Hopkins	Baseball
Willem Westra van Holthe	Member for Katherine
Geoff Brooks	KTC

3. APOLOGIES

Trevor Ford	Alderman KTC
Rose Peckham	Softball

4. PREVIOUS MINUTES

Moved: Geoff Brooks/Peter Hopkins

That the minutes of the meeting held on 11 August 2010 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

6. ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION

Come and Try Sports Expo

This event has been organised for 12 February 2011 between 9.00am and 12 noon. Most sporting groups are being represented and as in previous years, a good attendance is expected.

Katherine Regional Softball Competition

This competition is scheduled for the Easter long weekend. A Little League Baseball competition is also being arranged for this weekend. Peter Hopkins is making contact with Softball organisers to co-ordinate both events.

2011 Seasonal Hire Arrangements

All sporting groups are requested to ensure that seasonal hire applications have been lodged.

NT Sports Facility Grant Application

Council is lodging a grant application for \$50,000 under the NT Government's Sports Facilities Program for the upgrade of the Baseball scorer's box, installation of irrigation at the Netball Courts and installation of a Netball practise ring. These items are identified in the Katherine Sports Facility Master Plan.

KTC Web Site – Sporting Event Calendar

All sporting groups are encouraged to lodge their events online for inclusion in the events calendar available on Council's web site www.ktc.nt.gov.au

Sportsgrounds Maintenance Expenditure

The Municipal Plan sets out the operating budget for the Sportsground that can be summarised as follows:

Expenditure

- Ongoing maintenance – grass mowing, irrigation, etc - \$78,000
- Insurance – Public Liability and Buildings - \$12,000
- Power and Water - \$29,000
- Depreciation - \$125,000

Income

- User charges - \$7,700

The above figures do not include the Aquatic Centre which has a budget as follows:

Expenditure

- Maintenance KTC Staff - \$14,000
- Materials Chemicals etc - \$26,500
- Contractual Services YMCA and others - \$190,000
- Insurance - Public Liability and Buildings - \$11,500
- Power and Water - \$7,500
- Depreciation - \$88,000

Income

- Entry and other charges - \$39,500

The cost of vandalism for all facilities including the Sportsgrounds varies from \$50,000 to \$70,000 per annum. On a year to date basis costs at the Sportsgrounds are well in excess of past levels.

The Municipal Plan is available on Council's Web Site www.ktc.nt.gov.au and also at the Library and Civic Centre.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Skatepark

Due to the very high utilisation of the skatepark it was agreed that the provision of a shade structure over the entire facility was very desirable. It was noted that such a structure is referred to in Council's Municipal Plan at an estimated cost of \$200,000. A possible second stage for the skatepark was discussed.

Baseball

Repairs to the canteen roof, leaking as a result of a recent break in, were requested.

OCHRE Card

It was noted that anyone working with children required a clearance in the form of an "Ochre Card".

8. CONTACT FOR MAINTENANCE

Sporting organisations are requested to report maintenance items direct to Council's Works section as they occur. Please contact Barbara Cummings on (08) 8972 5500 or email barbara.cummings@krc.nt.gov.au

9. MEETING CLOSED

Meeting was closed at 6.35pm

10. NEXT MEETING

13 April 2011