

6.2 FEE STRUCTURE REVIEW FOR ALL ABILITY AND MASTERS TEAMS

Submitting Councillor: Cr McCuskey

MOTION

That Council agrees to amend the fee structure for Masters teams for players above the age of 50 and All Ability teams playing on Council reserves to pay the same rate as a junior team.

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Motion is to consider a request from Mazenod Panthers Football Club (MPFC) and the Waverley Warriors Masters Football Club (WWMFC) to have their fees reduced, to be structured and charged at the same rate as a junior club, which is half the rate of a senior team.

DISCUSSION

Mazenod Panthers Football Club has two teams that play in the Victorian FIDA Football League, which is an all ability team comprising of members with an intellectual disability. All levels of disabilities are catered for to create necessary skills and confidence for participants to enjoy integration with the community and sport. Currently, MPFC play and train at Central Reserve North Oval and since partnering with Mazenod Old Collegians Football Club the price of playing at a 'Class A' venue is making their fees inaccessible for the club and its members.

Waverley Warriors Masters Football Club has four teams playing in the Victorian Metropolitan Superules League, three men's and one Women's. This club caters for playing members over the age of 35 (three teams) and 50 (1 team), who would no longer be playing under normal circumstances if it were not for this club and Masters Football League.

Both groups play games every second week and typically only train one night a week which is less than standard senior team. It is therefore, proposed that the all Masters and All Ability teams be charged at the junior rate under the current Active Monash fee structure to encourage participation.

The below table illustrates the current and proposed charges for both the clubs:

	Current	Proposed
MPFC Class A Pav & oval	Ground hire - \$1,684 per team (x2) Pavilion hire - \$539.40 per team (x2)	Ground hire - \$842 per team (x2) Pavilion hire - \$268.60 per team (x2)
	Total \$4,446.80	Total \$2,221.20
WWMFC Class B – Oval Class A – Pavilion	Ground hire - \$833.60 per team (x4) Pavilion hire - \$539.40 per team (x4)	Ground hire - \$833.60 per team (x3) Pavilion hire - \$539.40 per team (x3) Ground hire - \$416.80 per team (x1) Pavilion hire - \$268.60 per team (x1)
	Total \$5,492.00	Total \$4,804.40

Reducing these two fee structure will show Council supporting and encouraging older people and people with a disability to be more active within the municipality in their chosen sport by reducing the cost barrier to participate.

CONCLUSION

It is recommended that Council amends the Active Monash Fee structure for All Ability and all masters teams above the age of 50 to be charged at the junior rate (based on half usage) and that charges be amended retrospectively for the winter 2019 and summer 2019 – 2020 seasons.

Currently there are three ability teams and 10 teams in total that would benefit from such a reduction and the total cost to Council is estimated to be less than \$10,000 per annum.