1.2 PROPOSAL TO NAME ASHWOOD RESERVE HOCKEY PITCH TO THE ‘HEDLEY HULL FIELD’.
(RES 6: CMcL)

Responsible Director: Carolyn McClean

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approves the naming of Ashwood Reserve Hockey Pitch to the ‘Hedley Hull Field’.

INTRODUCTION

Ashwood Reserve has been the home of Waverley Hockey Club since 1988. Waverley Hockey Club and Council have funded a number of projects at Ashwood Reserve, including the refurbishment of the existing pavilion, installation of a new synthetic pitch and the addition of new change rooms.

Council has a lease agreement for Ashwood Reserve with Waverley Hockey Club that is due to expire in 2021, with an option that extends to 2036.

The hockey pavilion at Ashwood Reserve is known as the Bob Trewin Pavilion in recognition of the person who established the club and worked tirelessly with Council to relocate the club from Electra Reserve.

The Waverley Hockey Club provided a submission to Council proposing that the new hockey pitch be named in honour of services provided by Mr Hedley Hull to Waverley Hockey Club and the Monash community. The Committee and Club members fully supports this proposal.

BACKGROUND

Mr Hull’s tenure at Waverley Hockey Club spans seventy years as a player, secretary, committee member and umpire. Mr Hull was a founding member and has also had significant involvement with Hockey Victoria, Victorian Hockey Umpires Association, Appointments and Examination Committee and Junior Umpire Development Committee.

Waverley Hockey Club feels the naming of the hockey pitch in his honour will ensure that his efforts to the sport and the club will be recognised for the long term.

CONCLUSION

It is recommended that the Council approves the naming of the Ashwood Reserve Hockey Pitch to the ‘Hedley Hull Pitch’ in honour of services provided by Mr Hedley Hull. The proposal and recommendation fully complies with Council’s existing ‘Criteria and procedures for naming Council facilities’.
Plaques outlining the deeds of Mr Hull should be unveiled as part of the commemoration arranged by the Waverley Hockey Club.