

## Adelaide Hills Council | Community & Recreation Facilities Framework

### Service Levels for existing Community, Sport and Recreation Facilities

To assist in the planning of community, sport and recreation facilities, sites will be defined under a classification hierarchy. This practice is particularly important when assessing service levels for each class of facility; it also identifies the recommended elements and associated facilities within a site. This approach ensures diversity of facilities and experiences throughout the region; that the facility will meet the needs of the catchment it services; assists with allocation of resources and can be used as a tool when reviewing the locations of community, sport and recreation facilities to ensure that there is an appropriate provision. The following table is also reflected in Council's Sport & Recreation Strategy.

Hierarchy Level	General Characteristics
<b>State/National</b> <i>Primary catchment of South Australia attracting users and visitors from interstate and overseas.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides for the highest level of sporting competition which may include International events and competitions, National League(s) and associated state and national team and squad training centre(s).</li> <li>Facilities also assist to promote sports and provide community access and pathway opportunities for participants.</li> <li>May also provide a Headquarters for State or National Sporting Organisation administration.</li> </ul>
<b>Regional</b> <i>Primary catchment of local users with extended catchment across multiple local Council areas, primarily for competition and events.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Integrates competition and recreational forms for participation and provides a broad range of sport and recreation activities and programs for a large number of participants across local and regional geographic catchments, generally beyond a single local Council area.</li> <li>Generating usage via sporting events and specialised (for multi-sports) venue or sport specific services is also a core role and function of regional facilities.</li> <li>Regional facilities are best provided at high profile sites in accessible locations with links to transport nodes and / or commercial / community centres and services.</li> </ul>
<b>District</b> <i>Primary catchment area of local communities single local Council areas.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides a focus for Association competition, as well as service a local catchment to provide a mix of recreational, competitive and program formats of participation.</li> <li>Facilities may also provide a primary function as a local finals venue or a central venue that facilitates regular competition for multiple clubs / teams.</li> </ul>
<b>Neighbourhood</b> <i>Primary catchment area of local townships or single suburb areas.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Generally, services the needs of local communities and sporting clubs for home and away fixtures, training activities and for participation programs.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Local</b> Primary catchment area usually within walking distance of most users.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Small sites on local road networks that provide basic facilities and landscape treatments. Local facility locations are not considered suitable for larger facilities as they are generally provided in residential settings and have limited or constrained function for multiple activities and events.</li> </ul>
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The following service levels have been developed to assist Council and the community in maintaining facilities to an appropriate level. In general, Council will provide the venue for a community, sport or recreation activity. Maintenance of the asset will be undertaken to an appropriate community standard.

Asset	Service Level
<p><b>Playing Surface / Sportsground (Turf)</b></p>	<p>Condition appropriate for community use in the Adelaide Hills Council region.</p> <p>Turf should be in good condition and appearance appropriate for sporting / recreational activities, with mature healthy growth.</p> <p>There should be less than 20% bare patches, cracks, ruts or depressions in the turf playing surface area.</p> <p>Compacted soils should be rectified with aeration, coring and /or application of gypsum as required.</p> <p>Uneven surfaces should be rectified with top dressing as required.</p> <p><b>Weed Management &amp; Herbicide Treatments</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fertilising: 6 monthly</li> <li>Insecticide / Pesticide spraying: annually, or as required</li> <li>Broadleaf spraying: 6 monthly, or as required</li> <li>Scarifying / top dressing: following assessment, as required</li> <li>Verti-drain: bi-annually, or as required</li> </ul> <p><b>Mowing:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Number of cuts per year: 30 (approximately)</li> <li>Summer grass height: 20-25mm</li> <li>Winter grass height: 50-75mm</li> </ul> <p>Out of sequence service:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Additional mowing may be required prior to or after an event takes place. When this occurs, the event organiser shall be responsible for the mowing costs occurred.</li> <li>• Additional mowing required to improve the standard of maintenance above the prescribed standard, &amp; requested by the club shall be the financial responsibility of the club. Works undertaken by the club will require appropriate approvals.</li> </ul> <p>The classification applied to the site should also be considered when determining the level of service necessary.</p>
<b>Playing Surface / Sportsground Irrigation</b>	<p>Maintenance and repair of irrigation systems to ensure the provision of adequate water supply.</p> <p>Principles from the Resilient Hills &amp; Coasts Climate Change Adaptation Plan should also be considered when planning irrigation system maintenance or upgrades.</p> <p>The classification applied to the site should also be considered when determining the level of service necessary.</p>
<b>Playing Surface / Sportsground (Acrylic Courts)</b>	<p>In line with relevant state or national peak body guidelines, or what is practical / average for other Adelaide Hills Council region sites.</p> <p>The classification applied to the site should also be considered when determining the level of service necessary.</p>
<b>Sports Amenity</b>	<p>Relevant state or national peak body guidelines shall be used as a guide, &amp; / or relevant Australian Standards.</p> <p>The classification applied to the site should also be considered when determining the level of service necessary.</p>
<b>Sports Lighting</b>	<p>In line with relevant state or national peak body guidelines, &amp; / or relevant Australian Standards.</p> <p>Council's commitment to energy efficiency and sustainability, as outlined in Council's Carbon Management Plan should also be considered in any lighting projects.</p> <p>The classification applied to the site should also be considered when determining the level of service necessary.</p>
<b>Cricket Wickets &amp; Nets</b>	<p>In line with relevant state or national peak body guidelines, relevant Australian Standards, or what is practical / average for other Adelaide Hills Council region sites.</p> <p>The classification applied to the site should also be considered when determining the level of service necessary.</p>

<b>Amenity Lighting</b>	<p>Conforms with appropriate standards (inc. Local Government Act, the Australian Energy Regulator &amp; Australian Standard AS1158.3.1).</p> <p>Council's commitment to energy efficiency and sustainability, as outlined in Council's Carbon Management Plan should also be considered in any lighting projects.</p> <p>The classification applied to the site should also be considered when determining the level of service necessary.</p>
<b>Driveway, Carpark, Site Drainage &amp; Traffic Management</b>	<p>Condition appropriate for community use in the Adelaide Hills Council region.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sealed or unsealed surface</li> <li>• Some rutting, corrugation, potholing or looseness acceptable</li> <li>• Some carpark marking, where applicable, but predominantly unmarked</li> <li>• Some designed drainage structures where applicable</li> <li>• Basic traffic management signage (eg. speed, crossing)</li> <li>• All weather access, where appropriate</li> </ul> <p>Maintenance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reactive / urgent maintenance to rutting, corrugation, potholing or looseness that poses a risk to the community.</li> <li>• Proactive bi-annual maintenance</li> </ul> <p>The classification applied to the site should also be considered when determining the level of service necessary.</p>
<b>Signage</b>	<p>All relevant by-laws for the site must be considered.</p> <p>In line with Council's Directional Signage Policy.</p>
<b>Recreation and Sport Fencing and Gates</b>	<p>In line with relevant state or national peak body guidelines, or what is practical / average for other Adelaide Hills Council region sites.</p> <p>The classification applied to the site should also be considered when determining the level of service necessary.</p>
<b>Recreation &amp; Sport Buildings (inc. sheds, changerooms, clubrooms, canteens &amp; storage sheds)</b>	<p>In line with relevant state or national peak body guidelines, or what is practical / average for other Adelaide Hills Council region sites.</p> <p>The classification applied to the site should also be considered when determining the level of service necessary.</p>

<b>Community Halls</b>	Community Halls will be maintained and upgraded to a level suitable to meet community needs for the provision of an indoor community space for basic community needs such as meetings, social gatherings, indoor recreation activities
<b>Public Toilets</b>	To be determined by Council's Public Toilet Strategy
<b>Vegetation (inc. trees)</b>	Any vegetation maintenance must comply with all relevant Federal and State environmental legislation (eg. EPBC Act, 2003; National Parks and Wildlife Act, 1972; Landscapes SA Act, 2019; Environment Protection Act 1993; Native Vegetation Act, 1991)
<b>Waste Management</b>	In line with Council's Waste & Resources Management Strategy
<b>Insurance</b>	<p>Recreation &amp; Sport buildings are insured by the lessee/tenant to an appropriate level of cover sufficient to replace the building should it suffer a complete loss.</p> <p>Community Halls are insured by the owner of the building to an appropriate level of cover sufficient to replace the building should it suffer a complete loss (Council will reimburse the owners of non-Council owned community halls for their building insurance).</p> <p>All Clubs and Associations are responsible for their Association, Public Liability and Contents insurance.</p>