



Mansfield Shire

Mansfield Shire Council Sports Facilities Strategy Update



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1. Introduction

In 2018, Mansfield Shire Council adopted the *Mansfield Shire Sport Facilities Strategy (Strategy)*, that detailed Council's vision, principles, strategy, and actions in relation to the provision of sports and recreation facilities over the ten years to 2028. While the *Strategy*, continues to support Council's objectives for a connected and healthy community, the demographic context supporting the *Strategy* has progressed more quickly than anticipated at that time, warranting a review of the *Strategy's* Action Plan.

At that time, the forecast population for 2031 was 9,596. At 30 June 2023, based on Forecast id. Data, the population of Mansfield Shire is 10,403 which is estimated to increase to 12,451 by 2031 – well in excess of the *Strategy* projections and well ahead of schedule. Also, since development of the *Strategy* in 2018 new policies and trends have impacted participation across numerous sports.

The understated population forecasts and changes in sports participation have resulted in a need to review the required provision of sporting facilities, supported by strong evidence that the current levels of provision are not adequate to address existing or future sporting facility requirements.

To address this shortfall, a review of the *Strategy's* Action Plan has been undertaken. This review is not intended to alter the vision or principles behind the *Strategy*, but to provide an overview of relevant background material and contextual demographics to guide an update of Council's actionable priorities that provide for the sporting facility requirements of our growing communities through to 2028.

2. Council's Role

In reviewing the *Strategy's* sporting facilities Action Plan, Council's role has focused on the following two *Strategy* defined categories:

- + **Plan:** Facilitate the planning and renewal of sport and leisure facilities, services and opportunities to address identified (current and future) community needs.
- + **Provide:** Support the provision and development of sport and leisure facilities, services and programs to meet the needs of the current and future community.

Detail of Mansfield community sporting facilities is provided for reference in Appendix 1.

3. Vision and Principles

3.1. Vision

“Enhancing community health and wellbeing through sport, recreation, and leisure.”

Council will contribute to all residents achieving a high level of physical and mental wellbeing by ensuring sport facilities and services reflect community needs and the realistic capacity of key stakeholders to sustainably support.

3.2. Guiding Principles

The Vision is supported by the following guiding principles:

Equity of Access:

- + Council recognises that all residents should have access to an appropriate range of sport, recreation, and physical activity participation opportunities regardless of their socioeconomic status, ethnicity, age, gender or ability.
- + All new (or redeveloped) sport facilities and infrastructure will consider opportunities to incorporate Universal Design and Female Friendly Sport Infrastructure principles as standard practice to encourage access for all.
- + Council will strive for an equitable allocation of resources that promotes inclusiveness and a balance between formal sport and informal recreation opportunities that reflect community needs.

Diversity and Choice:

- + Council encourages and supports a variety of physical activity participation options that enable individuals to make choices based on their needs and interests.
- + Lifelong Involvement:
- + Council will support opportunities for participation in physical activities for individuals and groups across all age groups and life stages, i.e., children, adults and seniors.

A Sustainable Approach:

- + The standard, scale and scope of sport facilities will primarily focus on servicing local Shire residents. Therefore elite, specialist or low participation facilities that are designed to service larger catchments beyond the Shire’s population capacity are unlikely to be a priority within the life of this plan.
- + Council encourages and supports the development of sustainable sport and recreation facilities and operational environments having regard to the financial capacity of Council, key stakeholders, demonstrated demand, lifecycle costs and effective asset maintenance capacity.

Research and Planning:

- + Council supports appropriate research and planning that identifies current and future recreation needs and informs sound decision making. An ongoing commitment to community consultation, engagement and relationship building will be critical in this regard.

Shared Use and Flexibility:

- + The provision of open space settings (particularly active / formal sports reserves) and leisure facilities shall maximise opportunities for shared use and in-built flexibility to adapt or change over time to respond to potential variations in community needs or aspirations.
- + Opportunities for co-location of leisure facilities with other compatible community facilities will be explored to create vibrant multi-use community activity hubs.

4. Scope of this review

The *Strategy* review will provide Council with an updated action plan for the remaining four years of the *Strategy* to guide development of sports facilities in the Mansfield Shire with due consideration of the growing residential population, changes in participation trends and the aspirations of clubs, groups, and State Sporting Associations.

The updated plan will inform:

- + Existing facilities that need upgrading and by when.
- + Additional facilities that are required, where and by when.

This review will exclude strategies and actions specifically targeted to promote an active lifestyle to the community, as this is addressed by the RESPOND and other programs. It also excludes active recreational activities such as hiking/bushwalking, cycling, and fishing which are performed outdoors where the need does not impact built facilities, and these specific needs are addressed through other strategies.

While the *Strategy* review focuses on Council owned and managed sporting facilities, it is to be noted that private local operators who are managing gym, dance, Pilates, and yoga facilities and those developing swimming and hydro-therapy facilities are addressing some of the sporting and recreational demand.

4.1. Context and Situation

As part of the Strategy development in 2018, sporting clubs were asked to nominate the top three priorities for sport and recreation facilities across the entire Shire over the next ten years.

The highest priorities suggested by clubs (in order) were:

- + Maintenance and refurbishment of existing facilities
- + Establish pavilion and change room facilities at Lords Oval
- + 2-court indoor multi-use indoor sports stadium at Mansfield Sporting Complex, potentially including permanent gymnastics area
- + Complete the Additional Playing Fields at the High School to cater for soccer and potentially junior football/cricket.

4.2. Current Assessment of the Action Plan

Strategy actions completed or in progress on sporting facilities since 2018 include:

- + Construction of the Dual Court Stadium at Mansfield Secondary College

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- + Lords Reserve cricket nets upgrade
- + Bonnie Doon Netball Court renewal works undertaken including resurfacing
- + Tiered seating at the Bonnie Doon Recreation Reserve
- + Mansfield Botanic Park Masterplan adopted
- + Funding application submitted in January 2024 for the development of the community hub and refurbishment of the toilets and existing cricket rooms at Lords Reserve

Projects additional to the *Strategy* action plan completed or in progress are as follows:

- + Grant funding obtained for drainage works on Lords Reserve with works planned to be undertaken in 2023-24.

Key outstanding actions from the *Strategy* include:

- + Permanent gymnastics area (sprung floor)
- + Complete the High School Additional Playing Fields project
- + Upgrade the Mansfield Showgrounds facilities to support multi use
- + Pursue multi use options of Mansfield Racecourse facilities
- + Rifle Butts Reserve Mountain Bike Park public toilets and trail head facility
- + Lords Reserve external lighting.

4.3. Planning Influences

After an independent enquiry, the Victorian Government has included a requirement for all Victorian local government authorities to have a Fair Access Policy in place by 1 July 2024 to remain eligible for state government community sports infrastructure funding.

The Fair Access Policy aims to improve the access to, and use of, community sports infrastructure for women and girls. The implementation of this policy will impact requirements around facility upgrades and developments.

4.4. Trends

The rising popularity of AFLW has impacted local participation which has experienced 10% growth since 2018. This is expected to grow exponentially over the next five (5) years. The latest figures from the AFL show women represent one in every five registered players¹.

The Women's Soccer World Cup effect, which has been dubbed 'the Matildas effect', is expected to have far-reaching impacts well beyond the hype of the actual event. Soccer is Australia's most widely played team sport with 570,000 Australians aged 14+ playing regularly according to the 2022-2023 National Sports Participation report from Roy Morgan². Further detail on the increase in sporting participation will be available in early 2024 when registration figures are released. Regardless the trends confirm the growth and participation forecasts underpinning the *Strategy* are conservative.

¹ <https://www.abc.net.au/news/2023-10-17/nt-matildas-effect-rippling-through-to-the-grassroots/102975588>

² <https://www.roymorgan.com/findings/9278-australian-sports-participation-rates-among-children-and-adults-march-2023>

5. Considerations

5.1. Demand assessment review

Consistent with the *Strategy*, a demand assessment review has been undertaken to assist determine the current required facilities and the forecast out to 2028.

The change in demand for sporting facilities largely reflects a combination of the change in:

- + the municipality's population,
- + the increase/decrease in residents participating in sports, and
- + the mix of participation across sporting activities.

With such a mix of variables, that may also be impacted by a variety of personal, environmental, policy, availability, and economic factors, accurately forecasting demand for sporting facilities is made difficult.

The demand for facilities for the remaining *Strategy* period to 2028 has been estimated based on:

- + a November 2023 population forecast provided by Forecast .id. that uses the 2021 census data updated for trends in factors such as migration data, housing supply etc³
- + the 2017 to 2023 growth rate of the municipality participation numbers by sport as provided by local sporting clubs/associations, extrapolated to 2028
- + consideration of the municipality participation by sport compared to the Victorian averages as published by Ausplay (an information and knowledge sharing platform for Australian sport⁴).

5.2. Current population and growth forecasts

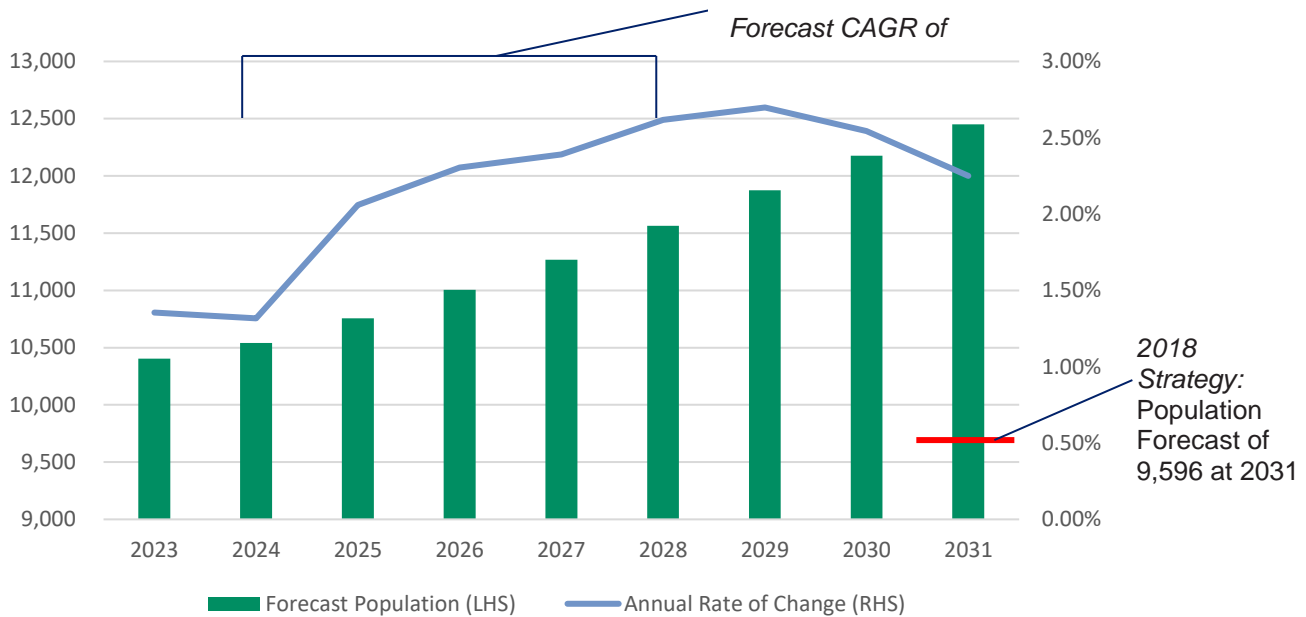
The June 2023 population of Mansfield Shire is 10,403 (Source: Forecast .id), which significantly exceeds the population forecast at the time of developing the *Strategy*. The gap (variance) between the 2018 *Strategy* forecasts and the current (November 2023 Forecast .id) forecasts continues to grow over the strategy horizon – reflected in the current 2031 estimate of 12,451 compared to the 2018 forecast for 2031 of 9,596.

The current Forecast .id data shows an annual rate of change for Mansfield Shire of between 2.1% and 2.6% over the remaining four years of the *Strategy* period (to 2028), equating to a compound average growth rate (CAGR) of 2.34%. Refer to Chart 1 below.

³ <https://forecast.id.com.au/mansfield/about-the-forecasts>

⁴ <https://www.clearinghouseforsport.gov.au/home>

Forecast Population (source: Forecast id.)



5.3. Current Participation data

The Strategy predicted that participation would increase 10-20% between 2018-2028.

Local sporting participation growth rates from development (2017) of the Strategy to current (2023) are presented in Table 1. below, based on local club membership numbers.

As presented the population participation rate of growth per sport increased over the period other than for Netball where the change in the percentage of population participants playing netball declined by 0.13%. While Basketball experienced the largest increase in player (participant) numbers, Cricket experienced the highest increase in the participation ratio (participants as a percent of population).

Table 1 - Mansfield Shire Change in the Population Participating per Sport between 2017 and 2023

Mansfield Shire	Population						
	Base	Cricket	Soccer	Basketball	AFL	Netball	Tennis
2017 Participation	8,584	55	80	350	430	298	180
<i>Participation Ratio</i>		0.006	0.009	0.041	0.050	0.035	0.021
2023 Participation	10,403	80	114	450	536	348	228
<i>Participation Ratio</i>		0.008	0.011	0.043	0.052	0.033	0.022
Change in Participation	1,819	25	34	100	106	50	48
Change in Participation Ratio		20%	18%	6%	3%	-4%	5%

The participation per sport has been forecast to 2028 assuming the compound average growth rate per sport experienced between 2017 to 2023 applies from 2023 to 2028. These 2028 forecasts are presented in Table 2.

Table 2. 2028 Forecast Estimate of Mansfield Shire Population Participating per Sport

Mansfield Shire	Population						
	Base	Cricket	Soccer	Basketball	AFL	Netball	Tennis
2028 Forecast Participation	11,563	104	145	525	610	375	263
<i>Participation Ratio</i>		<i>0.009</i>	<i>0.013</i>	<i>0.045</i>	<i>0.053</i>	<i>0.032</i>	<i>0.023</i>
Change in Participation vs 2023	1,160	24	31	75	74	27	35
<i>Change in Participation Ratio</i>		<i>16%</i>	<i>14%</i>	<i>5%</i>	<i>2%</i>	<i>-3%</i>	<i>4%</i>

For comparison Table 3 provides the Victorian participation and the change in participation per sport between 2018 and 2023 based on estimates published by Ausplay.

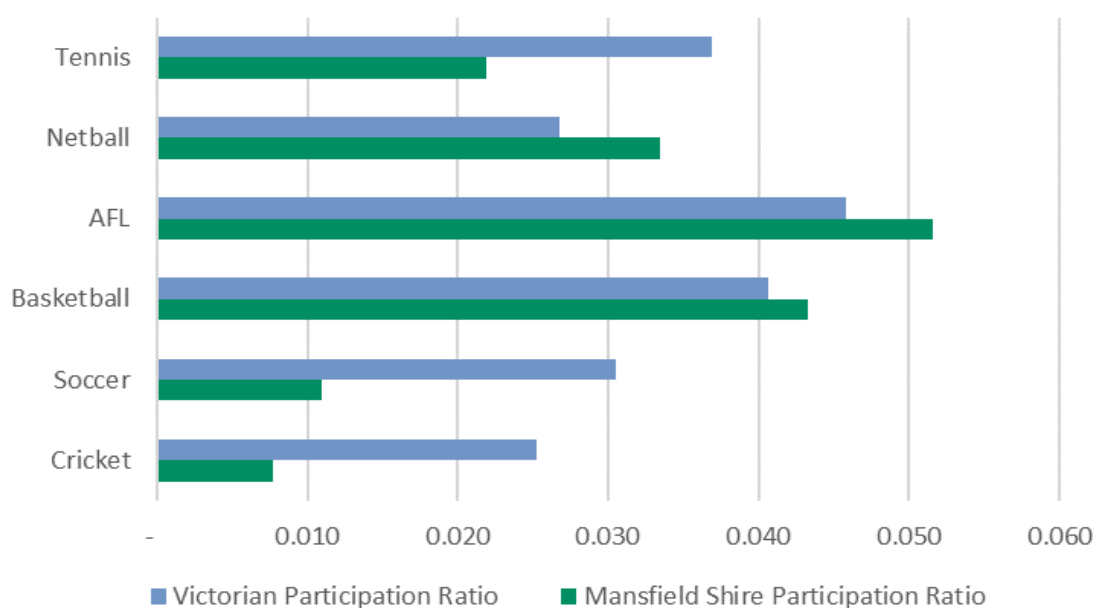
Table 3. Victorian Change in the Population Participating per Sport between 2018 and 2023

Sports Club/Association Participation, Victoria	Cricket	Soccer	Basketball	AFL	Netball	Tennis
2018 Participation Estimate	162,973	169,734	253,603	302,803	176,552	223,112
<i>Participation Ratio</i>	<i>0.026</i>	<i>0.027</i>	<i>0.042</i>	<i>0.049</i>	<i>0.028</i>	<i>0.036</i>
2023 Participation Estimate	181,138	215,702	292,213	328,704	187,046	261,687
<i>Participation Ratio</i>	<i>0.025</i>	<i>0.031</i>	<i>0.041</i>	<i>0.046</i>	<i>0.027</i>	<i>0.037</i>
Change in Participation	18,165	45,968	38,610	25,901	10,494	38,575
<i>Change in Participation Ratio</i>	<i>-2%</i>	<i>12%</i>	<i>-2%</i>	<i>-7%</i>	<i>-4%</i>	<i>2%</i>

Comparing the change in participation ratios in Table 1 and Table 3, it’s interesting to note that the 4% decline in the Shire’s change in Netball participation is the only change in line with the Victorian estimate. Overall, the Mansfield Shire experienced outperformance in attracting participants to organised sports (other than Netball) over the 2018-2023 period.

Chart 2 provides a comparison of the Mansfield Shire participation ratios to the Victorian estimates. The chart highlights the significantly lower participation in both Soccer and Cricket within the Shire – which will need to be considered when assessing the demand assessment outcomes per sport.

Chart 2. 2023 Mansfield Shire and Victorian Participation Ratio Comparison per Sport



5.4. Facility assessments

The existing strategy included the cricket pitch at Botanic Park as part of the facilities available for use. An assessment of this pitch has demonstrated that it is not suitable for use for competition and as such, this facility has been removed from consideration.

Details of Mansfield Shire’s community facilities are in provided in Appendix 1.

5.5. Updated demand assessment

Referencing the population data, the participation data and the facilities assessment as detailed above, the sporting facilities demand assessment has been updated as presented in Table 4.

The demand assessment has been provided for the Shire’s current and 2028 population base and participation. The 2028 demand assessment is presented for three growth scenarios to provide a potential range of required sporting facilities.

The 2018 Benchmark Ratios used in the *Strategy* were generally used industry planning ratios and it was noted that the use of the ratios provides an effective guide to likely future sport facility needs. These 2018 ratios have been updated for the change in participation since 2018 and also for the outcome of the assessment of Mansfield Shire participation ration compared to the Victorian average.

Table 4. Estimated Sporting Facilities Demand, 2023 and 2028

Sport	2018 Benchmark Ratio	2023 Updated Ratio	Participant Numbers	Available Facilities	Required Facilities 2023	Required facilities 2028		
						Low Growth 1.30%	Base Growth 2.14%	High Growth 2.7%
	<i>Facility per Population</i>	<i>Facility per Population</i>	<i>As at 2023</i>	<i>As at 2023</i>	<i>10,403</i>	<i>11,097</i>	<i>11,564</i>	<i>11,885</i>
AFL Oval	1:4,500	1:4,365	536	2	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.7
Cricket Oval	1:3,000	1:6,000	80	3	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.0
Tennis Court	1:1,500	1:2,500	228	11*	4.2	4.4	4.6	4.8
Outdoor Netball Courts	1:5,000	1:5,200	348	6	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.3
Indoor Courts**	1:7,500	1:7,050	450	3	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.7
Soccer	1:5,000	1:10,000	114	1	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2

* 7 Tennis Courts with lights

** Indoor court facilities are suitable for basketball, netball, volleyball, badminton, handball, table tennis and futsal

The assessment indicates that over the current period to 2028 additional facilities are required for AFL and Soccer.

5.6. Further considerations

The demand assessment provides a guide as to the need for additional sporting facilities and should be considered along with the following identified gaps and limitations.

5.6.1. Identified Gaps and limitations

+ The demand assessment assumes the facilities are fully available to meet the needs of the

individual sport, however most of Mansfield’s sporting facilities are multi-use and shared among several sport disciplines. Refer to Appendix 3 for current usage data.

- + The Mansfield Recreation Reserve is multi-use and has a period where the ground is changed from football to cricket and vice versa, with the installation and removal of a pitch. In addition, this change over places strain on the affected clubs for installation of the pitch and reinstatement of the grass each season.
- + The Mansfield Recreation Reserve is required for the full cricket season and football season not allowing for outside-of-traditional-season use by either clubs.
- + Use of the Mansfield Recreation Reserve for school groups during school hours limits other groups using this site during these times.
- + Use of outdoor facilities (ovals, courts) during the winter period are limited due to lack of lighting/ cover.
- + The current soccer facilities are not compliant with the soccer code and therefore are available for social (non League) use only. This limitation may impact local participation rates.
- + Gymnastics and Jiu Jitsu clubs memberships have increased over recent years. There is currently no facility available in the Shire with a sprung floor to meet the needs of these sports.
- + Higher than expected use of the Dual Court Stadium for basketball indicates that the use of these courts may be over capacity and limiting use of these court for other sports, such as netball on bad weather days or gymnastics. This is demonstrated by the below figures of usage by the MDBA:

Facility	Anticipated hours (annual)	Actual hours (2023)	Additional hours	% Increase usage
Dual Court Stadium	650	913	263	40%
Sporting Complex	100	225	125	125%

- + Participation in Little Athletics is growing, with a current membership of 100 children. Little Athletics currently operates from Lords Reserve in Mansfield, which at present has no purpose-built running track (a grass marked track only).
- + While female participation continues to increase across a range of sports, some clubs have limited ability to cater for increased female participation as facilities space is currently at a maximum for usage.
- + Identified future green open space could address recreational needs but are not suitable for larger facilities. Refer to Appendix 4.

5.6.2. Opportunities

- + The Mansfield Racecourse has been identified as a potential location for future sporting facilities, in partnership with the Mansfield District Racing Club. Drainage and access will need to be investigated to ensure the feasibility of this site.
- + The Showgrounds have been identified as a potential location for a new multi-use facility, in partnership with the Agriculture & Pastoral Society.

- + There is potential to work with Department of Education for further development of College Park.
- + Mansfield Shire Council's 10-year capital works plan includes a funding allocation toward the Mansfield Open Space Strategy. Refer to Appendix 5.
- + The installation of lights at Lords Oval and College Park facilities would allow play for longer periods and increase usability of these facilities. .
- + Multiple AFL teams have approached Council to utilise the Mansfield Recreation Reserve for training. Due to the shared nature of this facility, this has not been possible. Additional facilities would allow Mansfield to benefit from the social and economic yield this activity and other events would bring.
- + Private local operators who are managing gym, dance, Pilates, and yoga facilities and those developing swimming and hydro-therapy facilities are addressing some of the demand.

6. Recommendations

Based on the analysis of the demand assessment and consideration of the gaps, limitations and opportunities, the following is required:

Immediate needs:

1. Provision of one additional shared oval/facility for AFL and Cricket that is able to be set up on a permanent basis for both sports.
2. Provision of one additional soccer pitch is required to meet growing demand
3. Install lights at Lords Oval.

Needs in the next 5 years – dependent on the continued population and participation growth rates:

1. Provision of a second additional shared oval/facility for AFL and Cricket.
2. Provision of a second additional soccer pitch is required.
3. Indoor Sprung floor for Gymnastics, Jiu Jitsu.
4. *Additional cricket nets (to be confirmed with the club)*

7. Action Plan [draft]

Need	Potential Use (Multi or Single)	Potential location	Key Stakeholder	Time/ priority	Date (TBD)
New Facility	AFL Cricket Soccer Athletics	Racecourse (crownland - owned by DEECA)	Partnership Mansfield Racing Club	Assess feasibility and confirm appropriateness of location. Commence discussions with the District Racing Club re potential use of Racecourse. Continue Discussions with DEECA re change to committee of management.	
New Facility	AFL Cricket Soccer Athletics	Showgrounds (Crown Land)	Partnership Pastoral Society	Commence discussions with the Pastoral Society re potential use of showgrounds for multi use facility	
Install Lights	Cricket	Lords Oval	Grant funding bodies	Investigate grant funding opportunities – possible application for the 2024 Regional community infrastructure Fund – closing 27 March 2024. Funding ratio of 4 to 1. https://sport.vic.gov.au/grants-and-funding/our-grants/regional-community-sports-infrastructure-fund	
Playing field / Install lights / other facilities	Soccer	College Park		Assess feasibility and confirm appropriateness of location. Investigate grant funding opportunities – possible application for the 2024 Regional community infrastructure Fund.	
Playing field	Multi-use	College Park – Additional Field	Mansfield Secondary College	2024: Commence discussions with Secondary College regarding further development of College Park	
Indoor Sprung Floor	Gymnastics, Jiu Jitsu			Assess the feasibility of locations and funding options.	
Refurbish Bonnie Doon Court	Netball			2024/2025 – pending completion of the Master Plan.	
Indoor Court	Multi-use	Review need		Review the need for an additional indoor court in 2026/2027.	

Appendix 1 – Mansfield Community Sporting Facilities

Facility	Assets	Facility Name and town	Users
AFL Oval	2	Mansfield Recreation Reserve	Mansfield Football Club, Mansfield Soccer Club (Seniors), Delatite Cricket Club.
		Lords Reserve	Mansfield Athletics, Mansfield Little Athletics, Mansfield Junior Football Club (not up to AFL comp. code), Mansfield Croquet Club, Delatite Cricket Club
		Bonnie Doon Recreation Reserve	Bonnie Doon Football Club
		College park -	Mansfield Junior Football Club (training only), Mansfield Soccer Club (Juniors), Mansfield Secondary College (not up to AFL comp. code).
Cricket Oval	2	Mansfield Botanic Gardens - Oval and Cricket Pitch	Deemed unsafe for use.
		Mansfield Recreation Reserve	Mansfield Football Club, Mansfield Soccer Club (Seniors), Delatite Cricket Club.
		Lords Oval	Mansfield Athletics, Mansfield Little Athletics, Mansfield Junior Football Club, Mansfield Croquet Club, Delatite Cricket Club
		Merton Racecourse and Recreation Reserve	Merton Cricket Club
Tennis Courts	2 locations	Mansfield Tennis Courts	Mansfield Tennis Association
		Jamieson Tennis Courts	
		Bonnie Doon Recreation Reserve	Bonnie Doon Tennis Club
Outdoor Netball Court	6	Bonnie Doon Recreation Reserve	Bonnie Doon Netball Club
		Dual Court Stadium - outside	Mansfield District Basketball Association, Bonnie Doon Netball Club. Mansfield Secondary College
		Mansfield Recreation Netball Courts	Mansfield Netball Club
Indoor Courts	2	Mansfield Sporting Complex	Mansfield District Basketball Association, Mansfield Netball Club, Mansfield Badminton Association, Mansfield Gymnastics Club, Mansfield Junior Football Club, Mansfield Table Tennis Club, Robinson Jui Jitsu, Mansfield Primary School.
		Dual Court Stadium	Mansfield Secondary College, Mansfield District Basketball Association
Soccer	1	College Park	Mansfield Junior Football Club (training only), Mansfield Soccer Club (Juniors), Mansfield Secondary College. (Not up to competition code)

Source: Council Property and Asset Management Systems

Appendix 2 – Assessment of Action Plan

An assessment of delivery against the *Strategy's* Action Plan has been undertaken as presented in the table below.

Ref	Facility	Recommended Directions	Priority	2024 Status
1	Mansfield Secondary College	Construct Dual Court Stadium, potentially including a permanent gymnastics area	High	Complete, without gymnastics area
2	Mansfield Recreation Reserve (Netball Courts)	No major works proposed	High	N/A
3	Lords Reserve	+ Pavillion + Toilet upgrade + Upgrade nets	High High Low	Grant submitted for pavilion and toilet Nets upgraded with grant
4	Additional Playing Fields	Establish Additional Playing field	High	One field has been upgraded. One still requires upgrade
5	Mansfield Showgrounds	+ Improve surface + Joint use facility for Pony Club and MADEC + Improve water facilities and toilet block	High High High	No works undertaken
6	Mansfield Racecourse	+ Establish BMX Track + Bike Club Facility + Power and water upgrade	High High High	No works undertaken
7	Rifle Butts Reserve	+ Public Toilet + Trail head facility	High High	No works undertaken
8	Bonnie Doon Recreation Reserve	+ Master Plan + Tennis/netball court renewal + Oval upgrade	High High High	Masterplan being developed 2023/24 Existing court renewal works undertaken 2023/24 Design for new court and oval upgrade in 2023/24
9	Goughs Bay Sports and Recreation Facility	+ External lighting and security + Upgrade of building and roads	High	Grant funded upgrade being undertaken
10	Mansfield Swimming Pool	+ Upgrade existing changeroom + Feasibility for renewal or replacement + Improve play options	Medium	Grant funding being sought for the 2024/25 Financial Year
11	Lords Reserve	External lighting	Medium	No action to date
12	McCormack Park	+ Power upgrade + Amenities provision + Include access on Council's maintenance program	Medium	No agreement at this time
13	Mansfield Tennis Centre	Develop Hot Shots Court area Upgrade carparking Upgrade toilets	Low Low Low Medium	Management assumed by Tennis Club through Community Asset Committee
14	Mansfield Clay Target Club	Confirm future priorities	Low	NA
15	Mansfield Sport Complex	Maintain	Ongoing	NA

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16	Mansfield Sport Complex (Gymnastics)	Increase programming for gymnastics when Basketball moved	Ongoing	NA
17	Mansfield Recreation Reserve (Social and Change Rooms)	Maintain	Ongoing	Needs to be reviewed to improve access for female access
18	Mansfield Bowling Club	No works proposed	Ongoing	NA
19	Mansfield Golf Club	No works proposed	Ongoing	NA
20	Mansfield Botanic Park	Retain and maintain	Ongoing	Masterplan created and adopted
21	Tolmie Recreation Reserve	No works proposed	Ongoing	NA
22	Merton Recreation Reserve	No works proposed	Ongoing	NA
23	Jamieson Tennis Courts	No works proposed	Ongoing	NA
24	Jamieson Recreation Reserve	No works proposed	Ongoing	NA
25	Mansfield Recreation Reserve	No works proposed	Ongoing	NA

Appendix 3 - Mansfield Community Sporting Groups Facilities Usage

User Group	Community Sporting Facility	2023 Usage	2017 Usage
Mansfield Football and Netball Club	Recreation Reserve/Drama Room	6 months a year - 5 days a week	20-30hr/week in season, 5-10hr/week out season
Mansfield Netball Club	Netball Courts	6 months a year - 5 days a week	6 months a year - 5 days a week
Mansfield Junior Netball Club Inc	Mansfield Netball Courts	6 months a year - 5 days a week	6 months a year - 4 days a week
Mansfield Junior Football Club	Recreation Reserve/Lords Oval/ Drama Room	6 months a year - 5 days a week	no data
Mansfield Soccer Association	College Park	6 months a year - 2 days a week	0 the field was under construction
Delatite Cricket Club	Recreation Reserve/Lords Oval	6 months a year - 5 days a week	6 months a year - 3.5 days a week
Mansfield District Basketball Association	Dual Court Stadium/ Sporting Complex Stadium	6 months a year - 5 days a week both stadiums	All year - 6 days a week
Mansfield Gymnastic Club	Sporting Complex Stadium	All year - 1 day a week	All year - 1 day a week
Mansfield Primary School	Sporting Complex Stadium/ Recreational Reserve	Ad Hoc	Ad Hoc
Mansfield Secondary College	Dual Court Stadium/College Park	All Year - 5 days a week	Not built
Mansfield Badminton Association Inc.	Sporting Complex Stadium	All year - 1 day a week	All year - 1 day a week
MACE Social Badminton Club	Sporting Complex Stadium	All year - 1 day a week	All year - 1 day a week
Bonnie Doon Netball Club	Bonnie Doon	6 months a year - 5 days a week	6 months a year - 3 days a week
Bonnie Doon Football Club	Bonnie Doon	6 months a year - 5 days a week	6 months a year - 4 days a week
Mansfield Little Athletics	Lords Oval	6 months a year - 2 days a week	6 months a year - 1 day a week
Mansfield Athletics	Lords Oval	6 months a year - 2 days a week	no data
St Mary's Primary School	Lords, Mansfield Recreation Reserve, Sporting Complex	All Year - 5 days a week - Sporting Complex, AD hoc others	no data
Mansfield Croquet Club	Lords Oval	All year - 2 day a week	All year - 2 day a week
Auskick	Mansfield Recreation Reserve	2 months a year - 1 day a week	no data
Mansfield Steiner School	Lords, Mansfield Recreation Reserve	Ad Hoc	no data
Mansfield Line Dancing	Anglican church - not our property	All year - 1 day a week	no data

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User Group	Community Sporting Facility	2023 Usage	2017 Usage
Bonnie Doon Tennis Club	Bonnie Doon	6 months a year - 1 day a week	6 months a year - 1 day a week
Mansfield Tennis Association	Tennis Club	All year - every day	All year - 5 days a week
Mansfield Swimming Club	Pool	5 months - every day	5 months - every day
Mansfield Soccer Club (Seniors)	Mansfield Recreation Reserve	6 months a year - 1 day a week	Lords Reserve 6 monthly a year - 1 day a week
Mansfield Table Tennis Club	Sporting Complex - Drama Room	All year - 1 day a week	no data
Robinson Jui Jitsu	Sporting Complex - Drama Room	All year - 1 day a week	new

Source: Council Property System

Appendix 4 - Identified future green open space

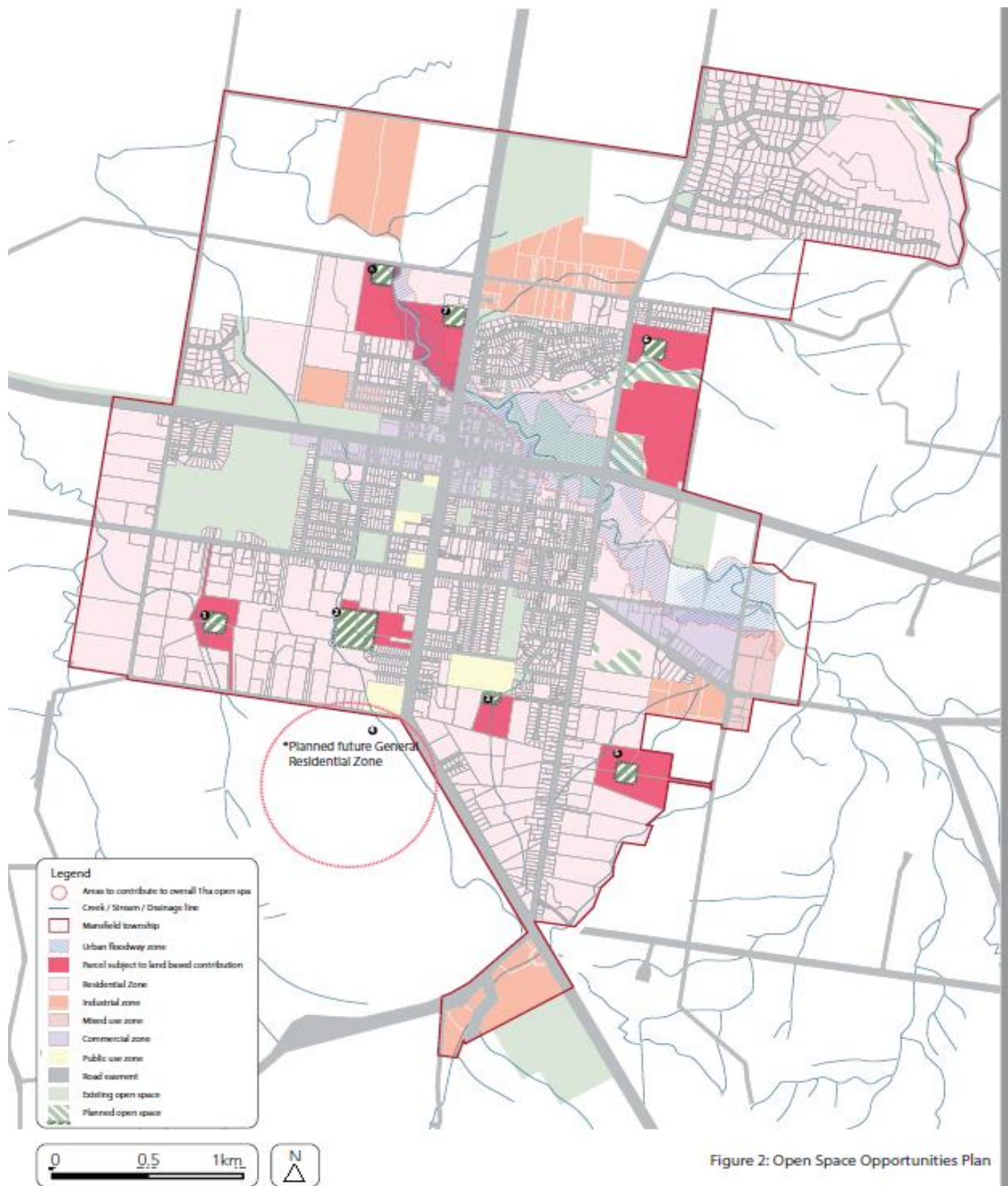


Figure 2: Open Space Opportunities Plan