Introducing the new
COMMUNITY SPORTS CENTRE
for the Western Region Community

3000m²
MULTI-USE INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES

This project is a great example of how a school can offer its facilities to support services to its local community.
Benefits for Henley High School

- New teaching spaces for theory lessons, plus new indoor court spaces for practical lessons
- Enhanced court availability for Specialist Sport Program and Health and Physical Education use within school grounds
- Modern, purpose-built facilities to enhance student athlete development, high performance pathways and the school’s reputation as a leading sporting school
- Ability to host whole-of-school assemblies, graduations and other large events
- Other facilities like the hall and gym will become available for other important uses such as the Performing Arts and Gymnastics which do not have access to adequate facilities
- Reduction in travel time, costs and external venue hire by remaining onsite
- Creation of capacity for the potential introduction/transition of Year 7s to be part of high school.

Benefits for the Western Community

- New sport and recreation facilities including high quality courts, kitchen/canteen facilities and multi-purpose meeting space which is available to the sporting and wider community
- Suitability to a wide range of indoor sports (e.g. basketball, volleyball, netball, futsal, etc.)
- Increased capacity within existing facilities, like the hall and gym, for current (e.g. Gym West, Indoor Cricket nets) and new sporting and community users
- Support for the growth of sporting teams, competitions, activities and participation across the community
- Potential to host national sporting competitions, in conjunction with the new St Clair facility
- Additional opportunities for girls and women to participate in sport with female-friendly facilities
- Sport and recreation participation opportunities for people of all abilities, achieved through universal design
- Operating efficiencies by consolidating competitions in a single larger purpose-built venue.
Henley High School, established in the 1960s, has experienced significant growth in recent years due to increasing residential density within the school zone and the many new enrolments attracted by the school’s successful Specialist Sport Programs. Because of this high growth, the school’s facilities no longer meet the needs of the school or the community. Additionally, there is a broader undersupply of indoor recreation facilities in the western region of Adelaide.

This exciting project will create a premier sports centre for the use by the western suburbs community while providing Henley High School with modern facilities that benefit all students.

Development of a 3000m² multi-use indoor sports centre and associated facilities that will service the needs of the western region community. Facilities include four indoor courts, flexible community meeting/learning spaces, gym weights room and school staff offices.

The scope of this project includes:
- Constructing a 4 court indoor Sport Centre
- Constructing a multi-purpose function/learning space
- Constructing a facility with retractable tiered seating for large school and community events
- Constructing staff offices
- Creating safe, passive recreation spaces in open areas for community use
- Upgrading the car park, ensuring it is safe and secure, and maximising off-street parking
- Redeveloping/demolishing the existing DECD recreation courts on Cudmore Terrace
- Improving and increasing the usage of sporting ovals
- Reconfiguring the existing hall to improve the learning spaces for Performing and Visual Arts
- Developing gym/weights facility for both school and community use
- Redeveloping the current Gymnasium to support multi-purpose use with indoor training facilities

The following stakeholders have been identified for this project:
- Henley High School, Department for Education and Child Development
- West Adelaide District Basketball Club
- SA Government
- Henley Hawks Volleyball Club
- City of Charles Sturt and Western Shores Community
- West Torrens Cricket Club
- Gym West
- Gymnastics SA
- Basketball SA
- Volleyball SA
- Netball SA
- Community Lifestyle Fitness

**PROJECT COST**
$15 Million

**PROJECT READINESS**
Immediate

**PROJECT TERM**
18 months – 2 years
Project Location
The site for the proposed Henley High School Community Sports Centre is located on Cudmore Terrace, Henley Beach adjacent to Henley High School and connected to John Mitchell Reserve.

Strategic Objectives
The Strategic Infrastructure Plan for South Australia supports the development of sporting facilities by:
- Increasing the use of school land and buildings
- Creating integrated recreation and sporting hubs
- Coordinating with state and local governments to develop sustainable, multi-use, adaptable facilities that meet changing community needs
- Providing indoor recreation and sports centres.

The following sections summarise how the project will contribute to current key State and Commonwealth strategic priorities. This information is supported by the Western Adelaide Sporting Facility Demand & Supply Study, conducted by Tredwell Management Group. The study recommends providing sporting and active-recreation facilities that meet changing community needs, and that support improving the health and well-being of Western Adelaide residents.

SA Strategic Plan
The SA State Strategic Plan states that “The way we plan communities in terms of infrastructure and easily-accessible facilities can greatly contribute to positive health benefits for the community.” It seeks to:

Increase the proportion of South Australians participating in sport or physical recreation at least once per week to 50% by 2020.

39.5% of adults in the inner west of the City of Charles Sturt are physically inactive. This is around 5% higher than the metropolitan Adelaide (35.1%) and Australian averages (34.3%).

Developing the Henley High School Community Sports Centre into a contemporary facility and improving the open space will encourage all community members to greater physical activity.

‘Schools as Community Hubs’ Policy
The Department for Education and Child Development policy aims to ensure school facilities are accessible to the wider community, and to enhance the education and well-being of students.

The vision is to provide a range of services and activities outside of school hours so the broader community can enjoy a place of activity, safety and learning.

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The 30 year plan for Greater Adelaide
The population of Adelaide’s Western Region is expected to increase by 83,000 over the next 30 years, so planning community and social infrastructure is critical. The Western Adelaide region needs to meet population targets set by the 30 Year Plan for Greater Adelaide through urban growth, with an emphasis on infill development and urban renewal.

But higher urban density creates pressure on open space which impacts its capacity for sports and active recreation. The partners will need to consider future development opportunities, triggered by changes to land use and ensure that land use and asset planning is relevant to the new and existing communities.

Office for Recreation and Sport Strategic Plan
The South Australian Office for Recreation and Sport’s strategic priority and action is to: “Deliver better places to participate and perform - Implement a sports hub approach to the development of shared local and regional facilities.”

The Henley High School Community Sports Centre aligns with this priority by sharing its facilities with multiple sporting clubs and associations. In addition, the School’s expanded venues can be used to improve the health and well-being of the western community.

National Sport and Active Recreation Policy
The Commonwealth National Sport and Active Recreation Policy states that: “In relation to national outcomes for sport and active recreation, it is important that all Australian governments work together to achieve optimal outcomes from the investment of public funds.”

Henley High School is eager to work collaboratively with all levels of government including local, state and federal to deliver this project.

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