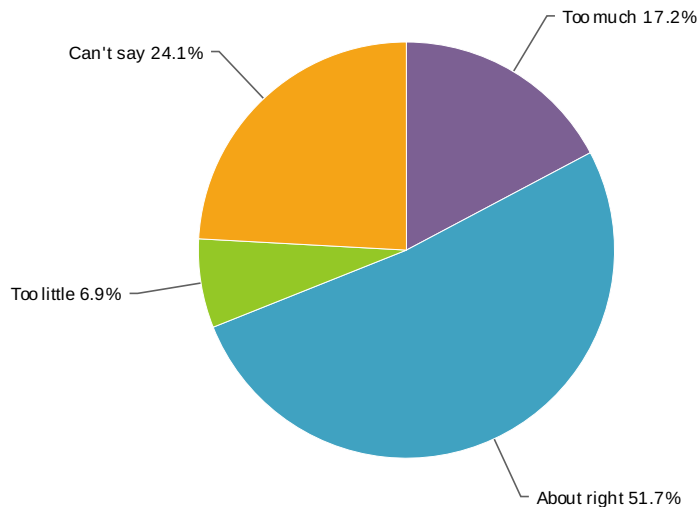


1. Council charges clubs user fees that contribute towards 15% of maintaining sports and recreation facilities. Do you think this contribution of 15% is:



Too much	17.2%		5
About right	51.7%		15
Too little	6.9%		2
Can't say	24.1%		7
Total			29

Comments

Count	Response
1	Agree that Council have some revenue in store from Clubs for maintaining sports venues
1	Big increase for Junior Football Clubs.
1	Clubs would struggle to pay more than that.
1	but it depends on the club
1	more info is required to make an accurate comment
1	Clubs need some subsidies, but 85% is too much. Less money for club subsidies, more money for walking - paths, trees, fountains, seats, shade etc
1	For our club i think that is reasonable however I am not sure what fees other clubs pay and what services they get from the council.
1	Have concerns with the amount of maintenance Council undertakes with respect to said facilities versus the amount

being paid and support provided for clubs. Sporting and Recreational facilities are utilised by other users who take advantage of said facilities but do care nor contribute to the maintenance and upkeep of the facilities. Some users do not respect the rights of others and create friction.

2. How strongly do you agree that sporting recreational clubs should be rewarded or given incentives for the following: (please answer using a scale from '0' (totally DISAGREE) to '10' (totally AGREE))

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Can't say	Responses
Having greater social diversity and accessibility	1 3.4%	1 3.4%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	3 10.3%	0 0.0%	2 6.9%	7 24.1%	4 13.8%	10 34.5%	1 3.4%	29
Management and governance	1 3.4%	1 3.4%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	3 10.3%	0 0.0%	3 10.3%	5 17.2%	5 17.2%	10 34.5%	1 3.4%	29
Working with Council to look after the community	1 3.4%	1 3.4%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1 3.4%	0 0.0%	2 6.9%	3 10.3%	4 13.8%	15 51.7%	2 6.9%	29

Comments

Count	Response
1	Excellent initiative rewarding those doing the right things.
1	Finding people with the right skills and passion is sometimes difficult.
1	This should be a requirement for them - not optional. Ratepayers shouldn't have to reward them for normal requirements to meet human rights and equality laws, governance laws etc
1	Sporting recreational clubs should be rewarded for encouraging social diversity groups, also for their management of these projects and totally agree to work with Council to give the community opportunity to use the sporting facilities in the Darebin District..

3. How strongly do you agree that Schools in Darebin should continue to have access at no charge to most Council maintained sporting ovals: (please answer using a scale from '0' (totally DISAGREE) to '10' (totally AGREE))

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Comments

Count	Response
1	All should share in the costs
1	As a Government school teacher I know the shortfalls of school budgets.
1	Government schools should be free. Private schools should have a fee attached.
1	Not sure about tennis courts unless the teachers in charge have some knowledge
1	Only if the ovals can sustain this (e.g.: in drought periods this won't be a priority).
1	Some programs by schools are funded from external sources and a nominal fee is acceptable.
1	It's great if schools can access facilities however it should work both ways. They should make their own facilities available as well.
1	Consideration should also be given to the ability of the club and its members to pay for the fees. There should always be an element of cross subsidy. We will need some more clarification of the pricing structure, but overall, the draft policy has merit in addressing the leisure strategy.
1	A small fee could be charged for venues, and if Schools have free access to the venues in Darebin, however when our tennis club charges \$8 per hour - how does this work - does it mean that schools in the Darebin District should be able to use our venue without any charge.

4. How strongly do you agree that Fees charged by Council for access to pavilions and ovals should reflect the quality and size of the venue provided: (please answer using a scale from '0' (totally DISAGREE) to '10' (totally AGREE))

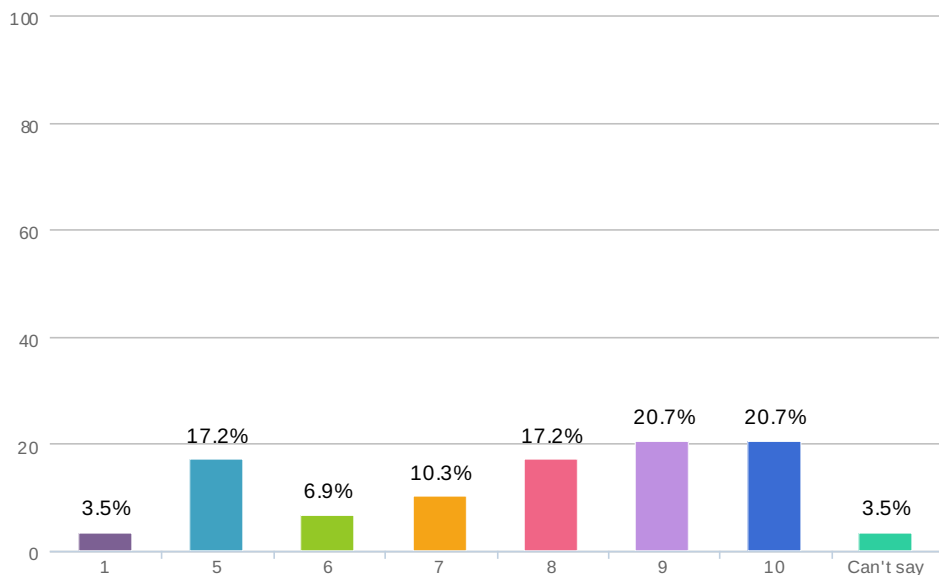
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Comments

Count	Response
1	Again it depends on fundraising capacities of clubs.
1	It should reflect the league the teams are in and amount of teams. And quality of grounds
1	There should still be a cap for Junior Clubs that are independent of Senior Clubs.
1	WE are a tennis club and are unaware of the cost structure. Our facilities are suitable for us.

- 1 Not quite sure about this - but if it refers to sports other than tennis the other clubs should provide this answer, but if they continually use the facility yes a fee for size could be considered.
- 1 Financial consideration - discount - should be given to those clubs who maintain and help with the up-keep of said facilities/pavilions, as well as, disposing of rubbish, broken glass and dog/animal (?) excrement.

5. How strongly do you agree that Licence and lease agreements for periods longer than 12 months should be granted only where clubs partner with Council in program or venue development: (please answer using a scale from '0' (totally DISAGREE) to '10' (totally AGREE))



				Statistics	
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3	0.0%	<div style="width: 0%;"></div>	0	Max	10.0
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5	17.2%	<div style="width: 17.2%;"></div>	5		
6	6.9%	<div style="width: 6.9%;"></div>	2		
7	10.3%	<div style="width: 10.3%;"></div>	3		
8	17.2%	<div style="width: 17.2%;"></div>	5		
9	20.7%	<div style="width: 20.7%;"></div>	6		
10	20.7%	<div style="width: 20.7%;"></div>	6		
Can't say	3.5%	<div style="width: 3.5%;"></div>	1		
Total			29		

Comments

Count Response

1	Happy with current arrangements, less hassle. But clubs need to be monitored on a regular basis.
1	Once again. Not all clubs have the same fund raising capacity.
1	Totally agree with this.
1	I don't think we should have longer than 12 months bc clubs change, presidents and committees change and Council's priorities change (e.g.: drought). So if Council locks into a longer period these issues can make it problematic.
1	My only input into this draft is that full access (aside from game and training times) should be given to all grounds and facilities. I have had lengthy correspondence with council relating to Bill Lawry Oval and its exclusion to virtually all of community due to earth mounds, barbed-wire fences and padlocked gates. Pull the fences down and give the football club free rent to cover the loss of gate takings. Want inclusivity? Here's a start to initiate a community hub such as Victoria Park in Collingwood has become.
1	Council may want to grant licence to clubs who over the years have promoted and continue to promote social inclusion and cohesion.Licences may be granted on the basis of contribution to "common good" (program development) rather than venue development as some clubs are not as financially viable as others.

6. Do you have any other suggestions or feedback? Please write it in the field below:**Count Response**

1	I feel that some of the questions do not relate to Tennis clubs in the City of Darebin.
1	More explanation required regarding 3.3.3 performance subsidies.
1	We are the sole users of KP Hardiman Reserve Pavilion and close to sole users of the hockey field. We provide the goals used on this field and all repairs to these are conducted by us. Casual users of the facility cause significant damage to these goals and have been known to damage the light box and other facilities provided. Fencing repairs are required urgently. Our club has an almost 50/50 split of male and female members, many of which live in the Darebin area. Our new juniors (running for nearly 5 years now) has grown through locals joining in large numbers.
1	The pavilion usage charge should reflect the condition of the facility. There should be provision for the club granted seasonal access to request for facilities that are below acceptable standards to be repaired to a level that meets minimum safety standards at Councils expense.
1	We as a club strongly oppose the increases proposed on the following points: 1) The running of track is an open facility to the general public who in most cases abuse the surface rather than use it. Bike riding, motor bike riding, skateboarding etc... 2) the track is only six lanes and not up to competition standards and is only a training facility for our club 3) the surface is causing injuries to our athletes who are now leaving to train elsewhere 4) we are not able to derive any income from the canteen as it is not a competition venue 5) the security of the facility due to poor lighting around the running track 6) these re some of the issues raised with Don Nicholson at our meeting on 15 July
1	I believe that Junior component of fees should still have some sort of discount up front even before any incentives. For example, 20% as juniors are our future and an integral part of shaping society. Going from the capped amount to new rates may be an issue from a broader perspective.
1	Money spent on clubs should reflect how highly it rates in the Leisure Strategy in terms of participation in Darebin - meaning that less should be spent on clubs and more on walking. Look at the Leisure Strategy results which show that walking is much higher than sports clubs in terms of

recreation in Darebin. Investment into walking should reflect this.

1 Responses to questions 1-5 have already been provided via email. Our club recognises that some of our members have difficulty paying fees, which we try to keep as low as possible for these families we offer the option of payment plans. We also have a discounted membership fee for families with health care cards. In the present economic climate we are finding it difficult to obtain sponsorship to the same extent that we have had in previous years, so registration fees remain our main source of income. Increasing the fees for ground and facility hire is an added impost and retaining the cap on fees for junior sports clubs would assist us in limiting fee increases in coming seasons. We would also be interested in discussing a longer term license agreement rather than a seasonal lease. Thank you for taking the time to meet with us.

1 A cap should still be available for Junior Clubs not connected directly to a senior club. Discount should recognise a Club that has provided financial contribution to the improvement of a ground or facility. Discount should recognise not just women on the Committee but also women in other official positions eg. Coaches.

1 Don't agree with the comments that council would provide longer term agreements if tenants agree to 'maintain' the building.

1 This policy suggests that Clubs must keep increasing use of the venue putting into place different programs to entice the Darebin Community into playing sport. With the upgrading of all the ovals I am sure that this will eventually happen around the area. The key factor is to continually target the correct areas by advertising your venue and the programs offered.

1 Darebins sports facilities should be primarily for the residents and youth of Darebin NOT for residents of other municipalities. Council should put money into clubs that encourage memberships and community involvement.

1 Need to update conditions in club-house as we do not have wash basins in the recently installed toilets.

1 Lighting needs to be upgraded at grounds with insufficient lights. Instead of allocating ground with multiple light towers give all grounds better lights

1 Council may want to consider allowing access to ovals at no cost especially for social games which are geared towards promoting community interaction and social cohesion.

1 fees should be according to what clubs are prepared to contribute. And past history and payments towards the ground/venue should be given credence.

1 Concerned about charging schools from outside Darebin who may be in our catchment area. We need to encourage children to play in Darebin.

1 I am unclear how these changes will impact on SEDA's use of the pavilions and potential costs involved. Whilst we are a commercial organisation, we make a significant contribution to the local community and I am concerned this is not reflected in the table on page 11 (Fees for lease access). I look forward to discussing this further with council when possible.

7. If you are from a group, to which club/group do you belong?

Count	Response
1	Cranross Tennis Club
1	East Preston Park Tennis Club
1	Fitzroy Baseball Club
1	Holy Trinity Cricket Club

1	Junior Club.
1	Kingsbury Tennis Clubs
1	Keon Park Tennis Club Inc
1	Keon Park Youth Club and Community Hall
1	La Trove University Hockey Club
1	Mere resident
2	Northcote Junior Football Club
1	Northcote Park football club
1	Northern Football League
1	Northern Rugby Club
1	Northern Socials Cricket Club
1	Panthers FC
1	Parkside Junior Football Club & Parkside Sporting Club
1	Preston Athletic Club Inc
1	Preston Boxing and Youth Club
1	Preston Cricket Club.
1	Preston Footballers Cricket Club Inc
1	Preston Lions Football Club
1	Preston YCW District Cricket
1	SEDA
1	Victorian Rugby League
1	West Preston SC