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Dear Community Member

**Council to Vote on the proposed Sport and Recreation Centre this Thursday 23rd March**

The proposed \$75m Sport and Recreation Centre at Lane Cove Golf Club will be voted on this Thursday to progress to Tender Stage.

Council staff recommendation in the Business Papers, inter alia, is to:

*" Proceed with Stage 1 procurement of a Demolition, Sediment Control and Bulk Earthworks contractor (Early Works) and Stage 2 procurement of a Construction Contractor (Major Works), with five contractors selected from the Expression of Interest process"*

Councillors are being asked to approve this despite no Development Approval being place or final design documents being available.

Similarly, the feasibility issues raised with Council by the GCA remain unresolved - as does the method by which Council is going to manage the facility - either internally or outsourced. GCA remains of the view that the project does not represent value for money.

Both management methods (internal or outsourced) have very different financial outcomes and risk profiles for Council, and the GCA believes this is a critical element to be addressed before undertaking any tender process.

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Whilst the GCA recognises the need for more indoor sports facilities in the area it would prefer to see a

This approach would significantly mitigate Lane Cove Council's financial risk of undertaking such as large project on its own, one that will absorb virtually all its "free" reserves as well requiring a \$10m loan.

If community members wish to have further input on this matter, then please either email Councillors on: [councillors@lanecove.nsw.gov.au](mailto:councillors@lanecove.nsw.gov.au) or speak at the meeting - either live or via Zoom. If you do not wish to speak but are concerned, then come along to the Council meeting and show your support for people who speak.

To register to speak at the meeting follow this [link](#)

Registration must occur 24 hrs ahead of the meeting.

Kind regards

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