

Regional Sports Lighting Upgrade Package

Supporting Participation, Safety and Active Communities

Sport is a cornerstone of community life in Greater Shepparton, with more than 140 sporting clubs and associations across the municipality. Participation continues to grow, particularly among women, girls and junior players, placing increasing pressure on existing facilities. Record participation rates across Victoria highlight the need for infrastructure that can support future demand.

Ageing sports lighting at several community venues is limiting evening training and competition opportunities and reducing facility capacity.

The Regional Sports Lighting Upgrade Package will deliver lighting upgrades at:

- Tatura Park Howley Oval 2
- Katandra West Recreation Reserve
- McEwen Tennis Club

Project Snapshot

Item	Details
Total Cost	\$1.5 million
Venues	3 community sporting facilities
Beneficiaries	Women and girls, juniors, clubs and community users
Outcome	Increased participation, safety and facility capacity

Investment Ask

Greater Shepparton City Council is seeking **\$1.5 million from the Victorian Government** to deliver upgraded sports lighting infrastructure across three priority community sporting venues.

Key Outcomes

This investment will:

- Increase evening training and competition opportunities.
- Improve safety and accessibility.
- Support participation growth, particularly for women, girls and juniors.
- Extend facility use throughout the year.
- Improve energy efficiency and sustainability.

Economic Benefits

The project will:

- Support local jobs and economic activity.
- Increase utilisation of existing community assets.
- Reduce operating costs through energy-efficient lighting.
- Support local sporting events and community participation.

Why This Matters

Modern lighting is essential to maximising the use of existing sporting facilities and ensuring local clubs can continue to meet growing community demand. This investment will create safer, more inclusive sporting environments while supporting healthier and more connected communities.

Call to Action

The Victorian Government is invited to partner with Greater Shepparton City Council to deliver the Regional Sports Lighting Upgrade Package and support the future of grassroots sport across the region.

Candidate Commitment

- Support funding for the Regional Sports Lighting Upgrade Package.
- Support investment in modern community sporting infrastructure across Greater Shepparton.
- Support increased participation opportunities for women, girls and junior athletes.

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Improved lighting will help our club accommodate growing participation while providing a safer and more flexible environment for training and competition. It will also create more sporting opportunities for the wider community.”

SAM NELSON

President - Katandra
Football Netball Club



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