

# Community Engagement Report Ardrossan Football Club Inc. Lease Proposal



The Yorke Peninsula Council is seeking public feedback on a proposal to renew the lease for the Ardrossan Football Club Inc. (the Club) located at Section 394 Maitland Road, Ardrossan.

Under the Local Government Act 1999, Council is required to formally undertake community consultation for a lease or licence over community land when the term is greater than five (5) years.

# **Lease Proposal**

- Term five (5) years with a further rights of renewal for three (3) by five
   (5) years with an overall lease term of twenty (20) years commencing on
   1 August 2023, pending the outcome of community engagement process.
- Ground only lease. Any buildings, structures, fences, improvements, and fixtures that are on that property now; or are erected during the term of this Lease; are acknowledged to belong to the Club.

- The annual rent being a peppercorn rental, consistent with that currently being paid by other community groups.
- The permitted use football, cricket, community and sporting functions.



## **Background**

The Ardrossan Football Club was founded in 1904 and despite present day challenges faced by many small regional community football clubs, the Ardrossan Football Club remains the only competing football club south of the Copper Coast area which has not merged or combined with another club.

The Club has a proud history and was particularly strong in the 1960's and 1970's where it played in 11 (eleven) consecutive senior grand finals. Last year the Club held a 50 year premiership reunion for the team that won the W.K. Grundy Shield three (3) premierships in a row in the Yorke Valley Football Association. The event attracted large attendances from former players and their families.

The oval and clubrooms are well maintained by the generous input of local club stalwarts, many have been deeply involved with the Club their entire lives. With the assistance of its sponsors, local grants and its own fundraising initiatives the Club has undertaken many improvements over the past few years, including but not limited to new goal posts and netting, earthworks, significant oval maintenance (fertiliser and weed control) and the extension of its canteen area with a viewing deck and verandah.

With the introduction to female participation in the junior grades, the Club is keen to explore the possibility of future change room upgrades.

The Ardrossan Cricket Club use the facility during the summer and the oval area is used for community events, like the Show n Shine and most recently the Ardrossan's 150<sup>th</sup> celebrations.

The Club is proud of their facilities and wish to enter into a long term tenure to continue with the upkeep and improvements to their facility so that it can be enjoyed by future generations.

#### **HAVE YOUR SAY**

The Yorke Peninsula Council welcomes your feedback on the proposed Ardrossan Football Club Inc. Lease.

To provide your feedback:

- By email admin@yorke.sa.gov.au
- By Post PO Box 57, Maitland SA 5573

## All feedback must be returned by 5pm on Wednesday 6 September 2023.

Please indicate in your submission if you wish to appear before Council in this matter.

## **Next Step**

Following the public consultation period, all submissions received will be provided to Council for consideration.

#### **More Information**

Got a question about the Lease proposal?

Contact Council's Property Tenure Officer, Sue Beech on admin@yorke.sa.gov.au or Ph: 8832 0000.

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