Emerald Park, Edgewater — Sports Floodlighting Upgrade
Frequently Asked Questions

What is the purpose of the community engagement?
To seek feedback from local residents, interested community members and park users about the proposed upgrade of sports floodlighting at Emerald Park, Edgewater.

Why is the City proposing to upgrade the floodlighting at Emerald Park?
Emerald Park is a local active park that is currently utilised by a number of junior and senior sporting clubs during the summer and winter sporting seasons. The City is proposing to upgrade the floodlighting to enable clubs to train and play matches in a safe and more accessible manner.

The existing sports floodlighting at Emerald Park consists of five floodlighting poles and older style luminaries which do not currently meet the relevant Australian Standards and are not suitable for competition games.

What works are being proposed as part of the upgrade?
The proposed upgrade would remove the existing poles and install four new (up to 35 metres tall) floodlighting poles as shown on the site plan. The existing luminaires will also be replaced with new, more efficient luminaires.

The new, taller poles would allow the luminaires to be aimed more directly onto the main playing areas, therefore reducing light spill onto nearby roads and residences.

The playing field sports floodlighting would be designed and constructed to meet the Australian Standard for Football (all codes) Amateur Competition (AS2560.2.3) and the Australian Standard for Control of Obtrusive Effects of Outdoor Lighting (AS4282). Budget permitting, the City may also consider additional floodlighting levels designed and constructed to meet Cricket Australia guidelines to allow for "class III" night cricket matches.

It is also proposed to install four smaller towers at the existing cricket practice nets.

How would the City manage the increased brightness levels of the floodlighting?
When designing floodlighting upgrades, the City’s approach is to meet or exceed the Australian Standards with regard to minimising the impacts of obtrusive light. This includes consideration of design features, such as horizontal positioning and floodlighting types.

In circumstances where amenity issues are identified, increased design features will be employed to minimise potential adverse effects.

Similar sports floodlighting has been installed at Admiral Park, Heathridge; Heathridge Park, Heathridge; and Ocean Reef Park, Ocean Reef.

How would the proposed floodlighting be managed?
The proposed floodlighting would be managed in relation to bookings made for the park by sporting clubs, schools, community groups and individuals in accordance with the City’s existing hiring processes.

Note that all floodlighting is usually switched off by 9.30pm, however if there are special event bookings the lighting may be required to be on later into the evening.

When would the works take place?
If supported, the works would take place in 2020/21.

How would the proposed floodlighting upgrade be funded?
The proposal has been listed in the City’s Five-Year Capital Works Program and if supported, will be included for consideration in the City’s 2020/21 Budget. The City would also be seeking funding support from the State Government.
Who is being engaged on this project?
The City is directly engaging the following community stakeholders:

- Residents and ratepayers within a 200 metres radius of Emerald Park.
- Community Engagement Network members residing in Edgewater.
- Representative from current and potential park user groups.
- Representative from the Edgewater Residents Association.

In addition, signage has been installed at Emerald Park and all information is available on the City's website. Anyone interested in the project can complete a comment form. Responses are limited to one per person, or one formal response per organisation.

How do I provide feedback on the proposal?
If you are interested in providing feedback, please complete the online comment form via the ‘Community Consultation’ section of the City's website at joondalup.wa.gov.au

When is the community engagement period open?
The community engagement period is open between Tuesday 4 June 2019 – Friday 28 June 2019.

What happens next?
The results of the community consultation will be collated and presented to Council seeking endorsement to progress to the next stage of the project in late 2019. This phase would involve confirming funding arrangements for the project including external grant opportunities. The summary of results of this consultation will be available for viewing on the ‘Community Consultation’ section of the City’s website at joondalup.wa.gov.au

Who do I contact for more information on the project?
Further information on the proposed floodlighting upgrade can be found on the City’s website at joondalup.wa.gov.au or by contacting the City’s Leisure Planning team on 9400 4090 or via email at info@joondalup.wa.gov.au

Site plan of Emerald Park

Existing sports floodlights to be removed.
New sports floodlights to be installed.
New cricket net floodlights to be installed.