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Exciting future for Broome sport as aspirational plan endorsed

Local sporting infrastructure is set for a significant boost in upcoming years after the Shire of Broome Council endorsed a new ambitious Sport and Recreation Plan.

The new Sport and Recreation Plan 2021-2031 was unanimously supported by Councillors at the April 2022 Council Meeting last week, with an exciting blueprint put in place for the future of Broome sport.

The Shire of Broome has undertaken significant consultation with the local sporting community and incorporated the received feedback into the new Plan.

Some of the future priorities set to become a reality over the next 10 years include an overhaul of the Broome Recreation and Aquatic Centre (BRAC) to incorporate a gym and fitness facilities, additional squash courts, an indoor childrens' playspace and a feasibility study to establish a 50m swimming pool.

Other high priorities in the Plan include tennis court upgrades, central pavilion at the BRAC playing fields, additional club storage spaces and lighting upgrades.

Shire of Broome president Harold Tracey said a lot of work had gone into establishing a thorough and detailed Plan.

"We have invested heavily in sporting infrastructure in recent years, including the multi-use court upgrades at BRAC, improved sports field lighting and a new stakepark set to be delivered by the end of July," he said.

"However, the Shire understands just how important sport and recreation is to our residents – that was very clear during all our consultation this year. We're particularly grateful for the extensive feedback from our sporting clubs.

"This new Sport and Recreation Plan is an ambitious and aspirational document that will act as a blueprint for the Shire over the next decade.

"The commitment to fund some of these projects and look to improve our facilities and programs is a massively positive move from the Shire, for the benefit of our sport-mad community."

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