



THE CITY OF NEWCASTLE

BRIEFING COMMITTEE

Councillors,

In accordance with section 367 of the Local Government Act, 1993 notice is hereby given that a Briefing Committee Meeting will be held on:

DATE: Tuesday 6 December 2016

TIME: 5.30pm

VENUE: Council Chambers
2nd Floor
City Hall
290 King Street
Newcastle NSW 2300

Frank Cordingley
Acting Interim Chief Executive Officer

**City Administration Centre
282 King Street
NEWCASTLE NSW 2300**

25 November 2016

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BRIEFING COMMITTEE REPORTS

ITEM-10 **BR 6/12/16 - NEWCASTLE HOCKEY INTERNATIONAL CENTRE DEVELOPMENT**

REPORT BY: **PLANNING AND REGULATORY**
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MANAGER DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING

PURPOSE

Representatives from the Newcastle International Hockey Centre will provide a briefing on the proposed future redevelopment plans for the Centre.

BACKGROUND

Newcastle Hockey Association Limited was formed in 1985 with the purpose of establishing a Centre of excellence for Newcastle field hockey players. Newcastle International Hockey Centre Limited (name changed in 1991) has been in operation since 1989 and was established as a regional Hockey Centre in agreement with Newcastle, Lake Macquarie and Maitland City Councils. The Centre presently caters for over 400,000 players and spectators annually.

On the 5th October 2016, Parliamentary Secretary for the Hunter and Central Coast Scot MacDonald MLC announced funding of \$10 million for the redevelopment of the Centre. The redevelopment will:

- provide grandstand covered seating
- more change rooms
- a full set of amenities on the southern field
- rainwater tanks to provide grey water for toilets
- an upgrade to the watering system and lighting
- security fencing and car parks along the western side of the site and internally

The funds will assist in making the Centre a world class venue, capable of attracting and hosting not just local, but state, national and international events.

A development application is currently being prepared for consideration by Council early in the new year. It is hoped that the redevelopment works will be completed in 2018.

RECOMMENDATION

The briefing be received.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.