NEW LAMBTON FOOTBALL CLUB INCORPORATED

NEW LAMBTON FC JUNIORS

FOOTBALL FACILITY PROJECT PLAN 2023 - 2030

TO BE CONSIDERED IN CONJUNCTION WITH NEW LAMBTON FOOTBALL CLUB JUNIORS' OPERATIONAL PLAN 2023 - 2027

SECTION 1 – CLUB INFORMATION

1. CLUB AND CONTACT DETAILS

CLUB DETAILS

Name: New Lambton Football Club Juniors

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Post Code: 2305

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CLUB INFORMATION

Incorporation Number: Y0543830

ABN: 83 179 573 024

CLUB PARTICIPANTS DETAILS

Number of Teams: 73

Number of Male Players: 601

Number Female Players: 258

Total Players: 859

Highest level of Competition: Zone League

Participation numbers and growth over the past 5 years: Number have declined marginally due to COVID

2. ABOUT THE CLUB / BACKGROUND

New Lambton was originally a coal mining township, with the New Lambton Colliery situated to the east across the railway in what is now Adamstown and became a municipality on 8 January 1889 covering 2,560 acres (10km2) until it was eventually incorporated into Greater Newcastle.

The suburb is home to the New Lambton Football Club, one of the largest football clubs based on members in Northern NSW and we play games out of Novocastrian Park and Regent Park.

New Lambton Football Club traces its origins back to 1896 when Scottish miners from South Lambton first played football, which became an official club in 1917 as returned servicemen came home from the Great War to again work in the mines.

The first competitive game was played somewhere near the corner of Mackie Ave and St James Rd and New Lambton played a team made up of Miners from Lambton. This history is honoured by the miner's lamp and date on New Lambton's crest.

New Lambton has been home to a number of legends of Newcastle, National and International football. Both Ray Baartz and Colin Curran, heroes of our 1974 World Cup campaign, both played junior football for New Lambton South.

In 1974, New Lambton played in the final of the then State Cup and followed on to win the championship – a tournament similar to today's FFA Cup.

In 2007 with approximately 250 players, New Lambton FC Juniors moved from Alder Park to the larger and better-supported Novocastrian Park, with the vision to build the "club of choice" in Newcastle.

Today, with approximately 900 registered players, New Lambton FC Juniors is well represented at the community grass-roots level, guiding talented players through a development pathway and acting as a feeder Club for the number of local Premier Clubs in the local area.

New Lambton FC Juniors are continuing to be the best they can be and work hard to remain a leading Junior football Club in the local community – in both male and female codes.

3. SITE ANALYSIS AND EXISTING FACILITIES

NOVOCASTRIAN PARK: 22 Orchardtown Rd New Lambton NSW 2305

Playing Fields: 2, plus room for mini-roos fields

Lights - Training: 2 fields

Lights - Playing: 1 field

Canteen: Yes

Change Rooms - Male: Yes

Change Rooms - Female: No

Toilets - Male: Yes

Toilets - Female: Yes

Referees Room: Yes

Storage Sheds: Yes

Drainage: Partial

Irrigation: Partial

Fenced: No

REGENT PARK: 31 Regent St New Lambton NSW 2305

Playing Fields: 1, plus room for mini-roos fields

Lights - Training: No

Lights - Playing: No

Canteen: No

Change Rooms - Male: Yes

Change Rooms - Female: No

Toilets - Male: Yes

Toilets - Female: Yes

Referees Room: No

Storage Sheds: Yes

Drainage: No

Irrigation: No

Fenced: No

4. SITE LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

NOVOCASTRIAN PARK: 24 Orchardtown Rd New Lambton NSW 2305

Owner: Local Council

Council: Newcastle City Council

REGENT PARK: 31 Regent St New Lambton NSW 2305

Owner: Local Council

Council: Newcastle City Council

5. CLUB FACILITY PROJECTS

NOVOCASTRIAN PARK: 24 Orchardtown Rd New Lambton NSW 2305

N1. Installation of Tiered Seating - Field 1

a. Description: This project involves the procurement and installation of 6 x purpose-built, tiered spectators stands at New Lambton FC Junior's home ground, Novocastrian Park. The park currently has 2 full size playing fields, and it is proposed to place 6 spectator stands at Field 1, with the flexibility to be able to move the seating between pitches as demand dictates. Each stand can seat 40 people, is structurally engineered, includes footrests and backrests with an extra safety support bar, is built-to-last with a durable fabricated aluminium frame and is warranted for 7 years.

b. Estimated Cost: $50,000

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 04/2023

N2. Storage Area Replacement / Upgrade

a. Description: Replacement of current 3 x 6m storage containers with 3 x 12m storage containers, including suitable footings, widening of the current northern footpath to the side of the southern-most storage container, connection of mains power and installation of awnings on the eastern and southern sides. Additional storage area required for secure storage of goal posts, additional playing / training equipment, equipment currently stored in the Canteen and the Referees Room.

b. Estimated Cost: $110,000

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 09/2023

N3. Installation of CCTV

a. Description: Current levels of anti-social behaviour, theft and vandalism are unacceptable. Require suitable CCTV systems to monitor facilities.

b. Estimated Cost: $17,500

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 12/2023

N4. Upgrade to Existing Changing Room Areas

a. Description: Current facilities are not to a suitable standard to facilitate mixed gender teams and games. There is a minimum requirement to have changing areas gender neutral / female friendly. Installation of one unisex, fully accessible change room / shower / toilet. Install access ramps at entrance to both existing change rooms so as to allow wheelchair access.

b. Estimated Cost: $275,000

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 09/2023

N5. Conversion of Referee's Room

a. Description: Current facilities are not to a suitable standard to facilitate mixed gender officials. There is a minimum requirement to have a shower and toilet, changing area and a rest area.

b. Estimated Cost: $50,000

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 11/2023

N6. Upgrade to Canteen

a. Description: Current Canteen is outdated and does not meet the minimum requirement for a large community Club.

b. Estimated Cost: $90,000

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 11/2023

N7. Installation of Adequate Field Drainage

a. Description: Currently not all relevant fields are drained adequately. All fields need to have adequate subsurface drainage installed, and current drainage cleaned and refurbished and / or replaced.

b. Estimated Cost: $250,000

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 11/2023

N8. Review Field Optimisation

a. Description: Currently there are 2 full-size playing fields. By reducing playing field sizes marginally and reconfiguring the fields (but ensuring compliance with regulations), there could be potential to increase the number of full-size playing fields to 3, increasing capacity by 50%.

b. Estimated Cost: $5,000

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 11/2023

N9. Upgrade to Lighting

a. Description: Require additional playing lights to be installed, upgrade of current outdated lighting to LED. Required capacity for both fields to accommodate competition nighttime gates - 200 lux. This shall increase night-time capacity for the facility.

b. Estimated Cost: $200,000

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 11/2023

N10. Installation of Tiered Seating - Field 2

a. Description: This project involves the procurement and installation of 6 x purpose-built, tiered spectators stands at New Lambton FC Junior's home ground, Novocastrian Park. The park currently has 2 full size playing fields, and it is proposed to place 6 spectator stands at Field 2, with the flexibility to be able to move the seating between pitches as demand dictates. Each stand can seat 40 people, is structurally engineered, includes footrests and backrests with an extra safety support bar, is built-to-last with a durable fabricated aluminium frame and is warranted for 7 years.

b. Estimated Cost: $50,000

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 11/2023

N11. Installation of Solar System, inc. Battery

a. Description: Solar installation includes a 10kW inverter, 32 x 415W panels and a Tesla storage battery.

b. Estimated Cost: $30,000

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 04/2024

N12. Installation of Team and Officials Seating

a. Description: This project involves upgrades to the current participant and officials seating at Novocastrian Park, for use on game days. Seating is installed between both main fields, adjacent to the current cricket pitch, and is used by home and visiting teams and officials. Equipment is able to be secured with subsurface anchors, although can be removed if necessary for repairs or replacement, due to vandalism or malicious damage, etc.

b. Estimated Cost: $75,000

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 04/2024

N13. Installation of Additional Changing Room Areas

a. Description: Current facilities are not to a suitable standard to facilitate mixed gender teams and games. There is a minimum requirement to have both male and female segregated changing areas.

b. Estimated Cost: $225,000

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 09/2023

N14. Review Feasibility to Demolish Existing Amenities and Construct New Fit-for Purpose Facilities

a. Description: Current facilities are approximately 60 years old, and are no longer fit-for-purpose.

b. Estimated Cost (for review): $15,000

c. Estimated Cost (for construction project): $2.25M

d. Estimated Commencement Date (for review): 02/2024

e. Estimated Commencement Date (for construction project): 2030

REGENT PARK: 31 Regent St New Lambton NSW 2305

R1. Review Use of Existing Changing Room Area

a. Description: Current facilities are not to a suitable standard to facilitate mixed gender teams and games. As this park is classified by CN as a recreation park, not a sports park, there may be an option to convert the changing room into a canteen and install a service window in the front (under the awning).There is a minimum requirement to have changing areas gender neutral / female friendly.

b. Estimated cost (for review): $2,500

c. Estimated Cost (for upgrade / conversion): $200,000

d. Estimated Commencement Date (for review): 11/2023

e. Estimated Commencement Date (for upgrade / conversion): 2024 / 2025

R2. Storage Area Replacement / Upgrade

a. Description: Modification of current storage area to provide adequate security. Install additional storage (consider 1 x 12m storage container).

b. Estimated Cost: $75,000

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 02/2024

R3. Installation of CCTV

a. Description: Current levels of anti-social behaviour, theft and vandalism are unacceptable. Require suitable CCTV systems to monitor facilities.

b. Estimated Cost: $17,500

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 12/2023

R4. Installation of Adequate Field Drainage

a. Description: Currently there is no drainage at this facility. Field needs to have adequate subsurface drainage installed.

b. Estimated Cost: $125,000

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 09/2024

R5. Installation of Training Lights

a. Description: Require training lights to be installed. This shall all night-time training capacity for the facility.

b. Estimated Cost: $125,000

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 09/2024

R6. Installation of Perimeter Fencing

a. Description: Perimeter fencing at the facility would help stop sports balls from encroaching on the nearby roadway (both sides of the field are in close proximity to bust suburban roads) as well as provide a barrier to stop inattentive sportspersons from running onto the road.

   NOTE: The perimeter fencing would need to be designed in a manner as to be sympathetic to the local suburban aesthetics as well as allowing clear and easy access to the park for community users at all times.

b. Estimated Cost: $100,000

c. Estimated Commencement Date: 09/2024

SECTION 2 - REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

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5. Football NSW Limited (2015), *Football Lighting*
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7. Football NSW Limited (2015), *Grass Field Maintenance*
8. Football NSW Limited (2015), *Project Management*
9. Football NSW Limited (2015), *Provider Procurement and Management*
10. Football NSW Limited (2015), *Synthetic Fields*
11. Football NSW Limited (2015), *Football Scoreboards*
12. Local Council – *Sport and Recreation / Open Space Strategy*
13. Office of Sport – *Strategic Plan 2018-22*