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Subject: Council Report CCL048-25 – North Cronulla SLSC Redevelopment Project Update

Dear Members,

I wish to inform you that the Sutherland Shire Council will formally consider the latest report on the North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club (NCSLSC) Redevelopment Project at its upcoming meeting on Monday 15 September 2025. The report will be publicly accessible from today, Tuesday 9 September 2025, via Council's website and I encourage all members to review it [here](#).

North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club continues to strongly support Council and its decision-making process. Since stepping in to lead the project, Council has demonstrated a clear commitment to collaboration, transparency, and timely communication with the Club and broader community. Their efforts have been extensive and deeply appreciated.

Following the Club's request for assistance in July 2024, Council assumed control of the site in December 2024 and has undertaken a necessary and significant due diligence process. This included engaging multiple independent consultants to evaluate the quality of work completed across all phases of the redevelopment. These investigations identified notable deficiencies and non-compliance with Australian Standards and the Building Code of Australia. These issues pose risks to the structural integrity and long-term durability of the facility.

To guide the path forward, the report presents the project in three distinct sections, each with multiple options, cost estimates, and asset lifetime projections. These options will assist the elected Council in determining the safest and most cost-effective way to complete the redevelopment.

I along with Craig McKinnier (Deputy President) were briefed on the contents of the report on Monday this week, ahead of the report being published. We are confident that Council staff have made informed recommendations based on comprehensive expert advice, and that these recommendations reflect a responsible and strategic approach to securing the future of the facilities the Club relies upon for its operations.

While North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club broadly supports the recommendations provided by Council staff, there is one recommendation in the report that we do not agree with. We are reviewing this carefully and the Club reserves its legal rights to review and adjust its position accordingly and will provide members with further information on the Club's position following the Council meeting. Our goal remains to ensure the redevelopment proceeds in a way that is safe, sustainable, and in the best interests of our members and the wider community.

Council remains committed to delivering this project at no net cost to ratepayers, and we are proud to continue working in partnership with them to ensure the long-term sustainability of North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club for generations to come.

In addition to the NCSLSC project update report, Council will also be considering the Planning Proposal to reclassify part of the land at the North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club site from 'Community Land' to 'Operational Land' at the meeting.

This proposed reclassification applies only to the commercial footprint of the site and is intended to provide Council and the Club with greater flexibility to secure commercial leasing arrangements that align with the original redevelopment plans and allow Council to recover commercial income, helping to ensure the redevelopment of the facility is delivered at no net cost to ratepayers.

It is important that we reiterate, Council has no intention to sell the land. The reclassification is about enabling the Club and Council to move forward with confidence and clarity, particularly in relation to leasing and operational arrangements that support the Club's future at this site.

The proposal has since undergone community consultation and a public hearing. The final decision on the reclassification will be made by the elected Council following consideration of all feedback received that is presented in the report.

I encourage members to stay informed and engaged as Council continues to work towards delivering a facility that meets the current and future needs of our community. You can source the accurate information and updates on the redevelopment project via [Council's website](#) and we are committed to continuing our regular updates with members to ensure you remain informed.

Thank you for your continued support.

Website links:

[go.ssc.nsw.gov.au/NCSLSC-redevelopment](https://www.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/NCSLSC-redevelopment)

<https://www.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/your-council/council-and-committee-meetings/council-and-committee-business-papers-and-minutes/council-and-committee-business-papers-and-minutes-2025>

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Geoff Budd', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Geoff Budd
President