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Please find enclosed a submission from Kensington Junior Netball Club.

Thank you,

Max.

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Monday October 4, 2021

Victoria Planning Authority
c/- Arden Precinct
Level 25, 35 Collins St
Melbourne VIC 3000

Dear Sir / Madam,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a submission regarding the exciting Arden Precinct development.

We strongly support the submission by the Kensington Sports Club, of which we are a part, and appreciate the Arden Precinct plan's recognition of the importance of active recreation in the community.

As a volunteer-run netball club for 165 local kids, we urge in particular the inclusion of netball spaces:

1. Netball is Australia's **#1 participation sport among girls and women**.
2. Like basketball, netball is one of the world's **most space-efficient sports**, making it ideal for the inner city.
3. The local area lacks any **public accessible netball spaces** for children to play and practice in their own time, which acts as a significant brake on those who live in flats and small homes.

Arden Precinct offers a rare opportunity to rectify a traditional gender imbalance. Historically, most inner-city Melbourne suburbs were developed during a time when women's and girls' sporting preferences were not considered, leading to a proliferation of male-preferred community sporting facilities. Since then, demand among girls and women for active recreation has soared, but there is no free space left to provide netball courts.

As recently as 2017, City of Melbourne was unable to identify a single site to take advantage of \$9.6 million from Victoria State Government's "Inner City Netball" program. This resulted in the building of 67 new netball courts in 20 locations across Yarra, Moreland, and Darebin, but none in the City of Melbourne.

Kensington Junior Netball Club has 165 registered players in 18 teams, and is growing at approximately 20% year on year. We having a waiting list of players, and have seen especially strong growth among our youngest teams, which implies that numbers will continue to rise into the foreseeable future.

We anticipate that Arden Precinct will add significantly to local demand for community netball, but it is difficult to imagine how this could be absorbed by our club, which is already constrained by a lack of facilities.

Many kids live in flats or small houses, and are totally dependent on public facilities for practice and play in their own time.

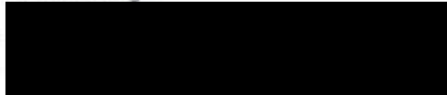
We therefore propose:

- At least two public netball / basketball courts in the **Arden North** community-based active recreation area.
- At least one netball court alongside or incorporated into the proposed government primary school in **Arden Central**.
- At least one other small ancillary netball shooting space elsewhere in the precinct.

Yours sincerely,



Max Barry



SPACE REQUIRED PER PLAYER



33m²

NETBALL



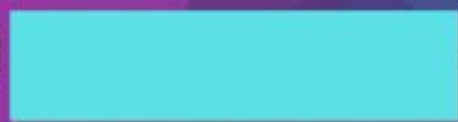
33m²

BASKETBALL



68m²

TENNIS



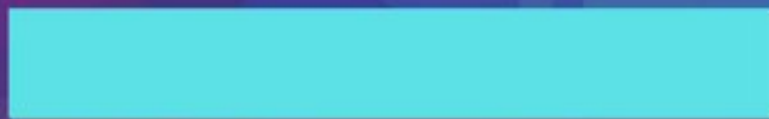
255m²

SOCCER



180m²

HOCKEY



432m²

FOOTBALL



706m²

CRICKET



JUNIOR NETBALL

IN KENSINGTON & FLEMINGTON



165 PLAYERS
18 TEAMS

0 PUBLIC COURTS

0 PUBLIC GOAL RINGS

50 GIRLS AGED 7-10
115 GIRLS AGED 11-15
10% GIRLS FROM PUBLIC HOUSING & CALD



INCLUSIVE NETBALL COMMUNITY OF THE YEAR:
KENSINGTON JUNIOR NETBALL CLUB

**All Fired Up
Nowhere to Play**



50% OF AUSTRALIAN GIRLS QUIT SPORT BY AGE 15

GIRLS NEED SOMEWHERE TO PRACTICE & SOMEWHERE TO PLAY

SUPPORT NETBALL SPACE IN KENSINGTON

* SUNCORP 2019 AUSTRALIAN YOUTH CONFIDENCE REPORT

