

FAQs, July 2024

Powerful Owl Park



Where is Powerful Owl Park?

The new Powerful Owl Park soccer facility is located on Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Country at 27-59 Templestowe Road, Bulleen.

What does it include?

The new facility includes:

- three soccer fields (two natural turf and one synthetic pitch)
- a sports pavilion with tiered seating and player change rooms, umpire and first aid amenities
- 176 car park spaces
- a playground area; and,
- walking and cycling connections to the Yarra River.

When did the facility open?

The facility was completed in June 2024.

How was the facility named?

North East Link Program led the naming process in consultation with a number of stakeholders, including Manningham Council.

Who built the facility?

Development Victoria worked in conjunction with North East Link Program to manage the delivery of this project. Construction was undertaken by 2Construct.

Who is managing the facility?

Manningham Council is managing the facility as part of its overall management of its sporting reserves and sport infrastructure program.



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Did Manningham Council fund the facility?

No, the State Government funded construction of the facility. We worked diligently alongside North East Link Program and the State Government for a commitment to deliver the facility and to ensure community impacts are minimised by changes at Bulleen Park.

Who will use the facilities?

FC Bulleen Lions will transition to use the facility with priority use planned for the Summer 2024/2025 season and Winter 2025 season.

Future use of this facility will be managed in accordance with our seasonal allocation and casual allocation process. Seasonal allocations will be considered for the summer 2025/26 season and managed in accordance with our Sporting Facilities Allocation Policy or equivalent policy.

See Council's Sporting Facilities Allocation Policy at manningham.vic.gov.au/sites/default/files/sporting_facilities_allocation_policy_-_2020.pdf

Will facilities be available to the general community?

General public, schools and community groups may request to use the sports fields and open space outside of any scheduled training or matches subject to availability and Council's discretion and prior written approval.

At what times will sports field floodlights be used?

Floodlighting will be used based on allocations of the fields, up until 9.00pm.

Are the facilities accessible?

Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) compliant ramps, amenities and facilities have been incorporated at the site.

Are security measures in place?

Lighting has been installed in nearby areas surrounding the pavilion, amenities and car parks to maintain a level of security.

What benefits will it provide?

Participation in sports and recreational activity can help our community in many ways. Physical activity can contribute to improving physical and mental health. It can also aid in developing valuable life and social skills, such as teamwork and leadership.

This facility provides opportunities for volunteers and a place for diverse groups of people to meet and feel a sense of purpose and belonging through social connection. It also offers the community better access to open space and walking trails along the Yarra River.

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Were any trees removed during construction?

Works were carefully planned and designed to avoid tree removal as much as possible, but some trees have been removed to build the facility. Additional trees have been planted and the new facility will be fully landscaped.

Areas identified as home to threatened fauna species were protected and not impacted by the construction or final design.

Two replacement trees will be planted for every tree removed during construction of the North East Link Program.

Is alcohol permitted at the site?

Powerful Owl Park users are not permitted to BYO alcohol.

Alcohol is only permitted in accordance with the Victorian Commission for Gambling and Liquor Regulation. The VCGLR is the independent statutory authority that regulates Victoria's gambling and liquor industries.

Questions?

- Email us at manningham@manningham.vic.gov.au
- Call us on 9840 9333

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- Head to Victoria's Big Build website at bigbuild.vic.gov.au/projects/north-east-link
- Call North East Link Program on 1800 105 105 - 24 hours a day, seven days a week
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