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Dear Mr Archer

**INCREASE TO THE COMMUNITY SPORTING AND RECREATION FACILITIES FUND AND
THE NEW CLUB NIGHT LIGHTS FUNDING PROGRAM**

The State Government, through the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (the department), administers the Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF) program. The program provides financial assistance to community groups and local governments to develop basic, sustainable infrastructure for sport and recreation. It aims to increase physical activity, participation in sport and recreation and to ensure the rational development of good quality, well designed and well utilised facilities.

As the new Minister for Sport and Recreation, I am delighted to announce the 2022-23 CSRFF Annual and Forward Planning round will open on **1 June 2021** and close on **30 September 2021**, with successful projects likely to be announced in January 2022.

In addition to this, the July 2021 Small Grants round will open on **1 July 2021** and close on **31 August 2021**, with successful projects likely to be announced in November 2021.

From the 2022-23 round, the CSRFF budget has been increased to \$12.5 million per year. The additional \$500,000 allocated to the CSRFF program will support projects that improve the usability of facilities for female participants. Projects that address this including the provision of lockable individual showers and the installation of toilet cubicles in lieu of urinals, will be prioritised.

It is also my pleasure to announce the establishment of a new capital works fund. The Club Night Lights Program will provide \$10 million over four years to fund sports floodlighting at community sporting venues. The inaugural round will also open on **1 June 2021**, and close on **30 September 2021**, with successful projects likely to be announced in January 2022.

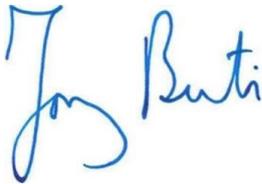
Copies of the 2022-23 CSRFF policy manual, guidelines for applicants and application forms for the upcoming rounds will be sent electronically to your organisation, as well as the Club Night Lights Program guidelines and application form.

In response to the adverse impact of COVID-19, capital investment by local governments was an important contributor to Western Australia's economic recovery.

I wish to reinforce the benefits of using local contractors to complete projects, including the use of Aboriginal business where possible. The department may request you report on job creation for projects over \$1 million in value should you be successful in receiving a grant. I also encourage the use of waste avoidance and resource recovery strategies in infrastructure development.

Thank you for your involvement in the CSRFF and Club Night Lights Program process and for your commitment to the provision of quality infrastructure for sport and recreation. I look forward to continuing the partnership between the State Government and City of Busselton in this endeavour.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tony Buti". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "T" and "B".

Dr Tony Buti MLA
MINISTER FOR SPORT AND RECREATION