

## ADMINISTRATOR'S MINUTE

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### **Proposed A-League Team**

It was recently announced that a consortium has been formed to push for the establishment of "Southern Expansion", a new A-League (football) franchise to represent the St George District, Sutherland Shire and the Illawarra regions.

Whilst Football Federation Australia hasn't announced when an expansion of the A-League will occur, the consortium (which has announced it has a financial backer) is pushing ahead with its bid.

The bid, supported by the three member associations, St George, Sutherland Shire and Illawarra, proposes an A-League, W-League and Youth League teams to represent the region.

Potentially the elite teams would play a number of games at Jubilee Oval adding to the mix of content at the Council facility.

There will be competition from other regions for a place in the A-League and there will be opposition to this bid. However given the strength of and interest in football in the region, the bid should be supported by Council.

### **MOTION:**

1. That Council indicate to Football Federation Australia its support for the Southern Expansion's bid for inclusion of an A-League team based in this region.

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