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DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	CODE
Aquatic Facility Safety Assessment -		GST
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To: Executive Group Manager, Service Design and Delivery

TRIM No.: EDU19/26

File Ref: Nil

From: Executive Branch Manager, Learning and Teaching

Subject: Swimming Pool 5 Star Accreditation

Critical Date: 12 February 2019

Critical Reason:

Recommendations

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Executive Group Manager's Comments:

Thank you for the excellent work done. Please place an update on the MUIB

Executive Group Manager: Ross Hawkins

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Background

On 7 January 2019, Learning and Teaching met with [redacted] of Phillip Swimming and Ice Skating Centre. At

the meeting, [redacted] venues were advised that the current checklist supplied to [redacted] and Phillip Swimming and Ice Skating Centre for the purposes of 5 star self-accreditation was now out of date. Pool owners were informed that, in 2019 and the Directorate will mandate that ACT public schools can only use aquatic venues that are Royal Life Saving Australia (RLSA) 5 Star accredited. The Directorate also indicated that they would pay for the 2019 RLSA assessment on a one off basis.

RLSA 5 Star Accreditation remains current for a period 12 months. The Directorate has been pro-active in working with and/or supporting [redacted] venues, schools and Royal Life Saving ACT (RLSACT) in managing impacts relating to the Directorate's policy change. This has included organising access to an appropriately qualified assessor for [redacted] venues with RLSACT,

[redacted]

The Directorate will continue to work in good faith with [redacted] venues to encourage ongoing commitment to providing continuing safe access for ACT school students to swimming and carnivals and aquatic activity based events.

On [redacted] 24 February 2019, [redacted] Phillip Swimming and Ice Skating Centre were assessed by RLSNSW respectively for 5 Star accreditation.

On 24 January 2019, [redacted] from RLSACT advised the Learning and Teaching Branch that [redacted] Phillip Swimming and Ice Skating Centre had not met the requirements for RLSA 5 Star accreditation. [redacted] provided a copy of the report to [redacted] Phillip Swimming and Ice Skating Centre, and the Learning and Teaching Branch on 25 January 2019.

Issues

[redacted]

Phillip Swimming and Ice Skating Centre

Phillip Swimming and Ice Skating Centre underwent an assessment of their Phillip facility by an RLSNSW assessor on 24 January 2019. [REDACTED] provided a copy of the report to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Phillip Swimming and Ice Skating Centre underwent an assessment of their Phillip facility by an RLSNSW assessor on 23 January 2019.

The RLSA Aquatic Facility Safety Assessment (AFSA) covered a full assessment of the facility against the GPSO. The results of the assessment appear in Appendix 3. The 5 Star Accreditation assessment is contained within the full assessment. The results of the 5 Star accreditation appear in Appendix 4.

Phillip Swimming and Ice Skating Centre has been provided with a two month timeframe (from 25 January 2019) to correct the 5 Star non-compliance items identified throughout the report. RLSNSW requires evidence of compliance to each area of non-compliance in the form of documentation/photo/or face to face (site visit) to award a 5 Star accreditation within the 2 month period.

The Directorate met with [REDACTED] on 29 January 2019 to discuss the outcomes of the report. [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] would attempt to meet the 5 Star accreditation assessment criteria by 20 February 2019 when Alfred Deakin High School was booked to run their swimming carnival.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] was not confident that [REDACTED] would be able to meet the deadline.

Learning and Teaching recommends that:

Consultation with Strategic Finance and Funding Implications

The Learning and Teaching Branch will be invoiced for the [redacted] assessments at an approximate cost of \$3000. The cost will be met from within existing Branch budget.

Consultations

[redacted]

Media

[redacted]

Media would be briefed on key messaging as appropriate.

[redacted]

Executive Branch Manager

Jason Borton

13/02 /2019

SWIMMING POOL ACCREDITATION





Phillip Swimming and Ice Skating Centre

- The Directorate met with [REDACTED] of Phillip Swimming and Ice Skating Centre on 7 January 2019 and indicated that the current checklist supplied to Phillip Swimming Pool for the purposes of 5 star self-accreditation was now out of date and, that in 2019 the Directorate will mandate that all ACT public schools can only use aquatic venues that are RLSACT 5 star accredited.
- The Directorate indicated they would pay for the 2019 RLSACT assessment on a one-off basis.
- At the meeting [REDACTED] indicated [REDACTED] would contact RLSACT to organise an assessment. [REDACTED] also indicated that the outcome of the assessment would determine [REDACTED]'s decision to become accredited based on any prospective costs in becoming compliant.
- The Directorate will provide written confirmation of the changes to the Directorate's policy position to [REDACTED] and include reference to [REDACTED] indication [REDACTED] would organise a

RLSACT 5 Star Accreditation assessment prior to the commencement of the 2019 school year.

