



Example of similar scale Bowls Lighting project (courtesy of Webb Australia)

Winchelsea Bowls Club Sports Lighting Project

The Winchelsea Bowls Club is located at 45 Hesse St, Winchelsea. Although an aspiration of the club for many years, in November 2022, this sports lighting project was proposed to the Surf Coast Shire Council via the online community project proposal portal. In April 2023, detailed investigation of the project began involving a project working group comprising Bowls Club board members and a Bowls Australia representative, with assistance from Council's Community Project Development Program. The group worked with sports lighting consultant, Webb Australia, and by October 2023 the sports lighting project investigation was complete with designs to a tender ready stage and a detailed cost estimate for the \$151,157 project.

Need

With projected growth in Winchelsea's population and current extensive use of the Bowls Club facilities for pennant, coaching, social bowls and social functions, sports lighting has become the club's priority capital project. Lighting will enable the club to compete in a night competition with other clubs in the district (Colac, Inverleigh and Bannockburn) and also expand their social bowls program and make it more accessible.

Project scope

The project will deliver a corner lighting system with LED luminaires designed to minimise glare to bowlers and minimise light spill to surrounding areas. The lighting system meets relevant sports lighting standards and Bowls Australia guidelines for night competition, with lighting also able to be dimmed down for training, social bowls and other bowls related events.

Funding opportunity

Given the project is fully designed, scoped and costed, an application will be submitted to the Victorian Government's *Local Sports Infrastructure Fund* (Community Sports Lighting), closing on 13 December 2023. The club has committed 25% of the total project cost, meeting the required funding ratio of \$1 (local): \$3 (state). The outcome should be known by May 2024.

For further information and feedback

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Drop-in session at the Bowls Club

The club is committed to listening to and addressing any questions or concerns that anyone may have. Drop in anytime between **4pm-6pm on Friday 15 December 2023**. Come and have a bowl while you are here.