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Via email: Louise.Butterworth@stategrowth.tas.gov.au

Dear Louise

Re: Support for Glenorchy Sports Centre

Football Tasmania writes to lend its full support to the proposed Glenorchy Sports Centre, as an opportunity for the provision of additional courts that can be utilised for our highly popular futsal offerings.

Our futsal (indoor football) footprint in Southern Tasmania has been growing significantly and in 2024 saw a 10% participation growth. In the North, the sport is already at capacity owing to the facilities we have available.

The Glenorchy City Council area currently lacks the infrastructure to support indoor sports including futsal, leaving one of Tasmania's low socio-economic areas with a lack of access to facilities to engage in recreational sporting activities.

Currently, if players wish to participate in Futsal, they are required to travel to New Town. This creates an additional obstacles for anybody living in the Glenorchy area and remains an area of untapped potential for Futsal to grow its participation.

This new facility would enable us to have mid-week opportunities to engage the community with futsal training and competitions, which is not possible at any other facility in Southern Tasmania due to conflicting timetables with other sports and an ongoing bias from venues to provide additional support and access to courts for netball and basketball.



We welcome the opportunity to continue to be engaged on this project to ensure we can benefit from its development and provide more opportunities for people to have a healthy, enjoyable and connected life through participation in football and futsal.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tony Pignata', with a stylized, cursive script.

Tony Pignata
Chief Executive Officer