

**Redfern Oval
Proposed Licence Agreement
City of Sydney Council and South Sydney Rabbitohs**

Redfern Park Plan of Management

The Redfern Park Plan of Management adopted by Council on 23 October 2006 authorises leases and licenses that may be entered in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993.

The Plan of Management (p28) reads:

“Licences for the purpose of providing the South Sydney District Rugby League Football Club (Rabbitohs) training venue; licence for the purpose of training and playing junior and district junior rugby league competitions; for other team and school sports use.

Licence to play eight pre-season/exhibition Rabbitohs fixtures per calendar year;

Licence to provide home ground venue for Redfern based junior/district Rugby League Football Club (e.g. Redfern All Blacks).”

City of Sydney Council Resolution

At its meeting of 17 September 2007 Council resolved that:

“(A) the proposal to grant a licence for the use of Redfern Oval and its facilities to the South Sydney Members Rugby League Football Club Limited, as detailed in paragraphs 6, 19, 20 and 21 of the report to the Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee on 10 September 2007, be placed on public exhibition for 28 days, as required under Section 47 of the Local Government Act 1993; and

(B) a further report on the draft licence agreement, including details of submissions received and any required changes to the agreement, be brought to Council for its consideration upon completion of the exhibition period.

The Licence Agreement

The Licence Agreement will be between the Council of the City of Sydney and the South Sydney District Rugby League Football Club (Rabbitohs). It will cover a term of 10 years with an option for a second term of 10 years. Council will manage maintenance and use (bookings) for the site.

Key Terms of Licence

The proposed licence agreement provides for passive and active community use of the field and facilities as designated public space. The Rabbitohs will have:

- use of the oval and grandstand for the purpose of playing and training rugby league;
- use of the oval for 10-20 hours per week from November to September each year; and
- exclusive use of part of the grandstand building.