

## **Bassendean Oval Lights – Frequently Asked Questions**

### **How tall are the new light towers?**

The four new light towers at Bassendean Oval each stand 42 metres tall.

### **Why were the new lights installed?**

The lighting upgrade is part of a long-term Council strategy to meet WAFL training standards. All WAFL ovals are required to have lighting of at least 200 lux, with many reaching over 500 lux.

### **What approvals were required for this project?**

Council approved the project, which is jointly funded by the Federal and State Governments, WA Football Commission, Swan Districts Football Club and the Town of Bassendean. The only statutory approval required was from the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) due to the site's proximity to the two airports. This approval was obtained before construction began.

### **Will more light towers be installed in future?**

No, the current four towers are the final installation.

### **Could more lights be added to the existing towers?**

Yes, the towers have been designed to allow additional lighting in the future—up to 500 lux—if needed. Currently, the lighting operates at 200 lux. There is no funding allocated at this time for further upgrades.

### **How much light will spill into surrounding areas at night?**

Minimal light spill is expected. The new LED technology is designed to direct light precisely onto the oval, reducing glare and spill compared to older systems. As with the previous lights, the new lights will be turned off after training sessions.

### **Are there any restrictions on when the lights can be used?**

While there are no formal restrictions, the lights will only be used during night-time oval use. Typically, they will be switched off by around 9.30pm on training nights and will not operate if the oval is not in use.

### **Are the towers connected to plans for future high-rise development?**

No. The lighting upgrade is unrelated to any redevelopment proposals for the precinct. The towers' height is required solely to achieve the safe lighting levels for WAFL use.

### **What if the lights impact my property?**

If you believe the lights are affecting the enjoyment or amenity of your property, please contact the Town.

### **Why install lights on the current oval if it may be reoriented in future?**

Any significant changes to the oval layout are at least 6–8 years away. If the oval is reconfigured as part of future redevelopment, the towers and lights will be relocated as needed.

### **Why does one of the towers block the scoreboard for some spectators?**

One tower on the southern side may partially obstruct the scoreboard from certain viewpoints. This location was chosen to optimise lighting coverage while working around existing buildings and infrastructure. There are no plans to move the towers.