

Public Forum Question and Response

Subject: John Fisher Park – illegal use of lighting and water

Question from: Mr Vincent De Luca OAM

Meeting Date: 27 March 2007

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- a) I note in the Minutes of the last JFP Advisory Committee meeting that the issue of illegal use was to be referred to Council's Compliance Section - what action/monitoring has taken place since the referral to Council's Compliance Staff?
- b) What is Council doing to address the illegal use of lighting by children at the park turning on all 10 courts of lighting for skateboarding on court 1 only?
- c) What is Council doing to address the illegal use of taps/water at the park by people washing their boats?

Response: The Director Planning and Assessment Services advised in relation to a) and c) that Council officers have to see people doing the wrong thing in order to take action. He encouraged people who observe illegal use to report it immediately, especially on the weekends. Illegal use of water should be reported to Sydney Water.

b) The Director Customer and Community Services advised the key to the lights is widely distributed to members of sporting groups and other users. Council is currently investigating alternate switching systems and is trialling devices at Millers Reserve. If this trial is successful it may be extended to other facilities.