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Hello,

You may have received notification from your peak sporting body to cease operations for a period of time, if not please consider the latest government directives regarding Covid-19 at <https://www.health.gov.au/>. Council is committed to supporting Queensland Health as the lead agency responsible for responding to novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and will ensure our community is kept informed. With quickly evolving information and updates, we wanted to ensure our lessees are up to date and acknowledge the level of consideration that needs to be made in regards to facilities.

Council acknowledges that on Friday, 13 March 2020 Australia's Chief Medical Officer recommended that mass gatherings of more than **500** people should be cancelled from Monday 16 March 2020. Further, this advice was updated today Wednesday, 18 March 2020 to include a ban on non-essential gatherings of **100 or more people indoors**.

While this is a very disturbing time for your clubs and members, it is something that council supports in line with Federal and State Government directives in the name of public safety.

From a facility viewpoint, some operational tasks you could undertake to alleviate costs during the lock-down time include:

- Suspend or reduce waste collection services as required
- Turn off and unplug fridges, freezers and any other electrical appliances not in use
- Reduce field maintenance to training level only if continuing to train
- Review security measures, e.g. security lighting, surveillance
- Safely store away any portable equipment
- Ensure you are following guidance from your peak bodies around any allowed continued activities
- If your facility continues to be used at a reduced capacity within government and peak body rules, increase cleaning routines to include thorough and regular disinfection however, if your facility closes cease any cleaning contracts
- Consider using this time for small working bees to keep some club contact/ culture going, e.g. cleaning out storage sheds, etc.

Please see the attached information from the Department of Health for your consideration.

Most importantly do what is necessary to keep yourselves and your club members healthy and safe.

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Kind Regards

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