GIPPS STREET RECREATION PRECINCT

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. WHAT TIME DOES THE PRECINCT OPEN AND CLOSE?

The gates will be open daily from 6am until 10.30pm.

The floodlights over the dog park, youth zone, and multi-sport courts will be on until 9pm daily. Formal sports are required to be finished by 10pm.

2. HOW CAN I ACCESS THE PRECINCT?

There are two pedestrian entrances – one at either end of Gipps Street. Today, we only have the pedestrian entrance on the corner of Gipps Street and Fowler Street open.

The pedestrian entrance on the corner of Gipps Street and the northern end of Sunflower Drive will open in late 2024.

Vehicles can access the precinct via the intersection of Gipps Street and the northern end of Sunflower Drive.

3. CAN I PRE-BOOK THE PICNIC TABLES AND BBQS FOR AN EVENT?

You cannot pre-book the picnic tables or BBQs. These are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

4. CAN I MAKE A BOOKING FOR MY SPORTS CLUB?

Council conducts an annual Expressions of Interest process for seasonal bookings at the facility. Following the EOI process, select sports clubs and associations were given formal approval to use Gipps Street Recreation Precinct by Council in June 2024.

Casual bookings will commence in 2025. You can contact the Community Facilities and Recreation team for more information on (02) 4732 7930 or recreation@penrith.city

For more information visit: **penrith.city/gippsstsportsfacilities**

5. CAN I BRING MY DOG TO THE PRECINCT?

Yes, you can bring your dog to the precinct. They must remain on a leash unless you are in the off-leash dog park, which will open in October 2024.

6. CAN I RIDE MY BIKE IN THE PRECINCT?

You can ride your bike in the pump track area. You cannot ride your bike on the footpath.

7. HOW MANY PARKING SPACES ARE AVAILABLE?

There are 518 parking space throughout the precinct, including accessible spaces.

8. ARE THERE ACCESSIBLE TOILET FACILITIES AVAILABLE?

Yes. The main amenities building includes ambulant toilets, MLAK-fitted accessible toilet with shower, and a MLAK-fitted 'Changing Place' facility with a height-adjustable adult-sized change table, ceiling track hoist system, centrally-located peninsula toilet, privacy screen, and automatic door.

9. ARE THERE BABY CHANGING FACILITIES AVAILABLE?

Yes. The main amenities building includes a parent's room with baby change table facilities.

10. IS THE WATER PLAY AVAILABLE EVERY DAY?

The water play area will operate at the following times:

- September to April: from 9am until 8pm
- May to August: from 10am until 4pm

11. CAN I HIRE THE AMENITIES BUILDING FOR EVENTS?

No, it cannot be hired for community events. It is for use by the sports groups and associations with formal agreements in place. Council has facilities available for hire at: **penrithcity.nsw.gov.au/facilities-recreation/halls-centres/hire-a-hall**

12. WHERE CAN I FIND MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PRECINCT?

- For general information: **penrith.city/gippsstreet**
- For sports facilities: **penrith.city/gippsstsportsfacilities**
- Email: **gippsstrecreationprecinct@penrith.city**
- Call: 02 4732 7777