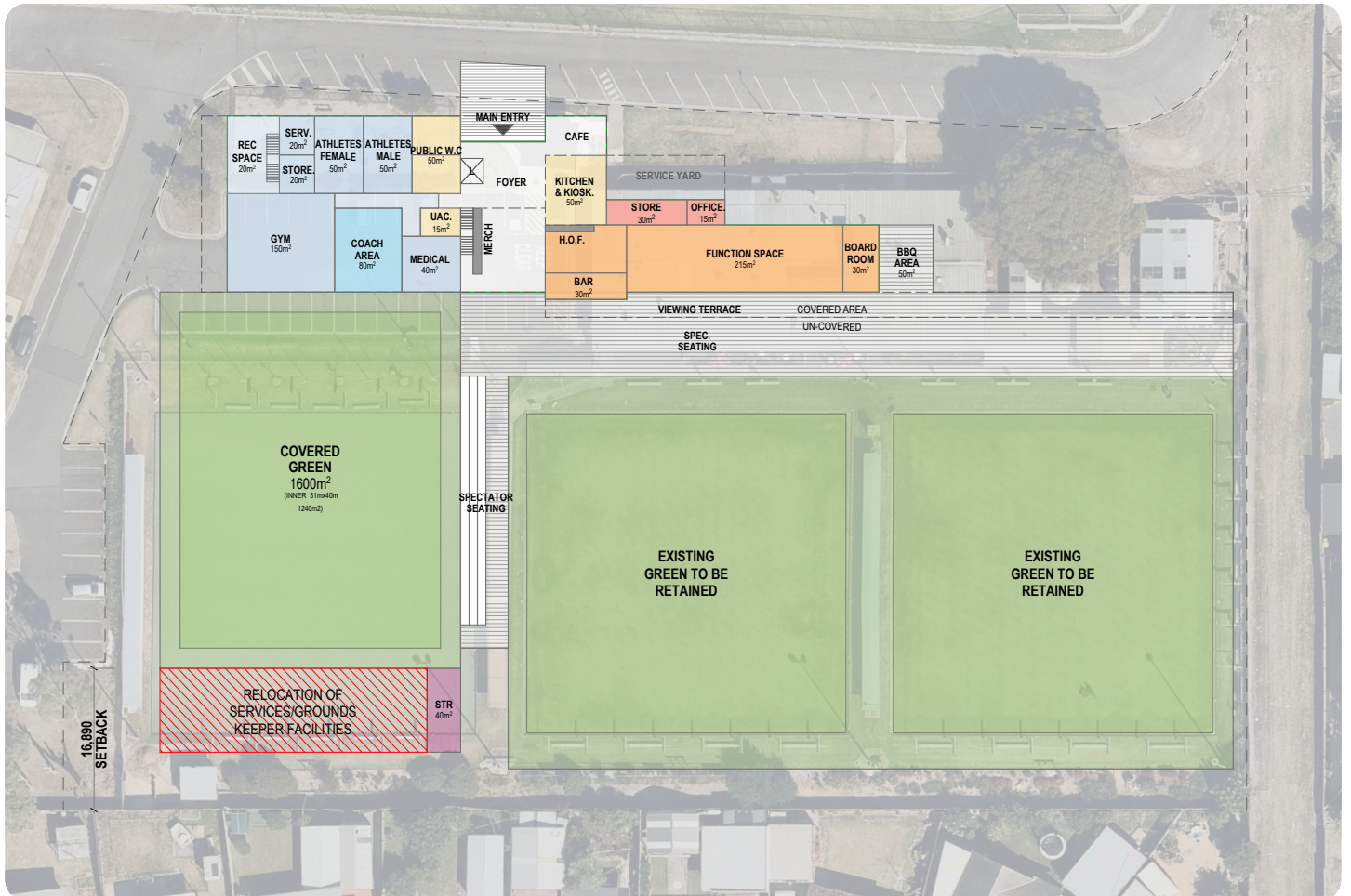


State Bowls Centre at Bundoora Bowls Club

Banyule Council supports the proposal by Bowls Victoria for funding for a new State Bowls Centre located at Bundoora Bowls Club. The project would be a partnership between Bowls Victoria and the Victorian Government with a \$750,000 Government investment for design concepts.



Why do we need a State Bowls Centre?

Bowls is a major participation sport in Victoria with no dedicated home base.

The proposed facility would be the administrative base for Bowls Victoria together with a fit-for-purpose centre of excellence that supports Bowls Victoria's high-performance program, coaching and sports development program.

The State Bowls Centre Feasibility Study 2021 confirmed the need, scope, site, and feasibility of a new State Bowls Centre in Victoria.

The previous State facility in Northcote is no longer a bowls facility.



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Who will benefit?

The facility will provide for the high bowls participation in the region and the local competition and programming needs of Bundoora Bowls Club. It will support Bowls Victoria's high-performance program and administration requirements.

The facility will be designed for regional tournaments, and for State representative team participants to use the high-performance facilities and programs.

Public groups and school groups will be able to hire the facility.

What is proposed?

The proposed State Bowls Centre includes:

- Community facilities with a multi-purpose room for athletic, community and umpire training, function space and commercial kitchen
- Bowls coaching and training area
- Undercover and outdoor greens
- Spectator amenities including viewing areas
- Food and beverage outlets for events
- Change rooms
- Gym and medical rooms
- Office space and amenities for Bowls Victoria staff, coaches and volunteers
- Car parking (minimum of 100 spaces)

The aim is for the Centre to be shovel-ready by 2025.

Bundoora Bowls Club site

The proposed site at Bundoora Bowls Club has the characteristics of a successful State/Regional sporting precinct and high-performance centre, including:

- High-profile site location, central to a high population area.
- A mix of high-quality greens and flexible social spaces supported by hospitality. The facility can be developed to support the State Bowls Centre facility requirements.
- Close to public transport, major arterial roads, accommodation options and within a sport and recreation precinct.
- Bundoora Bowls Club is a strong healthy club and is supportive of the shared development proposal.

