

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN CRICKET INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY REFRESH (SACIS)



SACA is refreshing its Infrastructure Strategy to guide facility planning and development to 2030. Building on the progress made from the 2019 Strategy, the Refresh will respond to changing participation trends, population growth and community needs. Consultation with a broad range of stakeholder groups occurred in August and identified the priorities that will shape the direction and investment in cricket infrastructure for the next 5 years.

What We Heard!



A comprehensive state-wide consultation program was delivered through online surveys and targeted workshops with community clubs, associations, state and local government and Premier Cricket clubs. The following key themes were identified:

- **Playing Surfaces** – Limited oval access and resource-intensive turf maintenance with ongoing irrigation and drainage challenges.
- **Training & Lighting** – Strong demand for improved practice facilities and access to indoor facilities.
- **Inclusive Infrastructure** – Outdated amenities; need for universal, modern and accessible facilities.
- **Schools & Shared Use** – Unlocking school and alternative venues will relieve pressure on existing Council assets.
- **Volunteer & Funding** – Operational, funding and compliance pressures highlighted the need for stronger support.

Infrastructure Objectives to 2030



Our revised objectives for the next five years are shaped by a clear understanding of stakeholder needs, existing gaps in the facility network and the directions set through government growth area planning. These objectives provide a focused framework to guide future planning and investment.

1. Prioritise safe, welcoming & accessible facilities.
2. Enhance facility capacity & sustainability.
3. Foster partnerships and shared investment.
4. Expand our facilities footprint & plan for growth.
5. Embrace innovation to respond to cricket needs.

Infrastructure Targets to 2030



**35 change
room upgrades
per year**



**10 new synthetic
pitches laid
per year**



**8 practice
facility projects
per year**

► NEXT STEPS

- Develop Draft Infrastructure Framework.
- Finalise the SACIS Refresh and Priority Project List by late 2025.
- Coordinated advocacy and implementation framework to guide investment and partnerships through to 2030.