TIMELINE SUMMARY:

2015 / 2016

The **Boroondara Sport & Recreation Strategy**, endorsed by Council, identified that netball was "experiencing a high growth in demand and would require additional access to facilities in the future....".

2017 / 2018

The Myrtle Macleay Park Management Plan once again outlined and confirmed the same issues.

The **Statewide Facilities Strategy**, an independent report commissioned by the State Government, was released identifying the City of Boroondara as lacking appropriate facilities to cater for netball participation & growth in the area stating the significant need for outdoor lit courts in Boroondara. The **Eastern Metropolitan Zone Profile** provides Boroondara data comparing neighbouring LGAs for reference.

Netball Victoria nominated that the expansion of the Boroondara Netball Centre was a "priority project".

2018 / 2019

April 2018: Project Working Group (PWG) established = Council Officers, Netball Vic and BNA

April 2019: **State of Play Report** released = data prepared by Sport Australia providing accurate information on trends in netball participation & opportunities to maximise participation & engagement.

April 2019: Election commitment of **\$1.2mill** for 4 additional courts and lighting for BNA announced by Josh Frydenberg

July 2019: Data prepared by BNA & Netball Vic for **Demand Analysis and Gap Analysis** > submitted to Council Includes current & desired usage documentation

Nov 2019: PWG advised by Council Officers that the "netball project is a priority...working towards resourcing a master plan for the whole site"

2020

Advised by Council Officers that our final report was to be presented to Council at a Council Meeting on Feb 24. No correspondence regarding the outcome of this meeting was received by BNA or Netball Victoria – we do not even know whether Councillors received the information.

Request from Council to support their application for a Community Sports Infrastructure Grant for a 2 court stadium +/- 4 outdoor courts (??) at Fritsch Holzer Reserve > request **denied** as no prior consultation on this option. Data previously provided to Council Officers had stressed the reasons & importance of a single venue, not split.

July 2020: email from CEO advising that:

- the "ideal outcome at Macleay Park is unable to be delivered" > no reasons given
- netballers should "welcome" 4 courts even if they are at another site
- funds provided to BNA could be deployed to this alternative project

2021

Grant finds to be "spent" no later than June 10, 2021