

11.1 Ballina Seagulls Rugby League Club - Crown Lease Review.DOC





RE: Ballina Seagulls Lease

To whom it may concern.

I am writing to council to express an interest in changing our lease arrangements from a direct lease with Crown to a Reserve Trust tenure. Our lease at this point is with lands office which expires on the 28th February, 2017. So we would ask council to commence the lease as from the 1st March, 2017.

After a meeting with Libby Weldon from the Lands Department our options were discussed. The committee are going to propose the sale of all our poker machine entitlements to our members at a special meeting on 19th January, 2017 and as such we will just hold a liquor licence to operate as we do now on a part-time basis. With the sale of the poker machine licences the club would then do all repairs to bring the building up to standard that council approve and put a maintenance program in place so no cost should fall on council finances for repairs during the period of the lease with council.

I hope you will consider our request and that the Ballina Seagulls and The Ballina Shire Council can continue to work together for the future of Rugby League and sport in our community.

Max Beecher
President