Master Plan R.D EGAN LEE RESERVE, KNOXFIELD

VISION

RD Egan Lee is a neighbourhood reserve with predominately active recreation amenity, important biodiversity areas and some adjoining passive open space. Knox City Council have developed a Master Plan to guide future improvement and enhancement works over a staged period of time. Following community consultation the key vision for RD Egan Lee reserve is to retain the existing active sporting precinct, enhance and protect the valuable remnant bushland, it's biodiversity and habitat values; provide complementary passive and active recreation opportunities and provide improved pedestrian links.

PROPOSED WORKS

1 WETLAND



A small vegetated wetland is proposed, which will provide opportunities for improved water quality, provide habitat for flora and fauna. Establish a granitic gravel walking path with improved landscape amenity planting and seats under shade trees.

2 SWALE



The existing drainage swale along the northern boundary is proposed to be planted and transformed into a 'dry creek bed'. This will retain its important drainage function and create a more attractive planted edge to the space and a vegetated buffer to the neighbouring residences.





Consider a multi-purpose court to provide for a range of activities, including basketball, netball and an all-weather soccer pitch. A second node for outdoor exercise equipment is proposed near the Multi-Purpose Court.





The existing playground is to be retained in its current setting. Undertake upgrades to the Play Space that are reflective of the surrounding bushland character, with natural play features, a frog bog and shade trees. The space is also proposed to house exercise equipment.

5 VEGETATION: Indigenous and native tree planting and garden beds are proposed in a number of targeted areas, extending the environmental values and habitat of the bushland character. Apply a staged approach to planting for better establishment. The proposed planting will also function as a barrier to stray balls along the edge of the soccer pitches, and create a buffer between the reserve and private residences.



SCOUT HALL: The Master Plan supports the provision of space for a potential future storage space beside the Scout Hall.

(8) CAR PARK: Shade trees to be installed within the existing gravel car park, providing shade and better integrating of the car park with the rest of

BUSHLAND EDGE: The existing treated pine post and rail fence along Wallace Road is proposed to be removed and where applicable, replaced with natural barriers (such as rocks and logs), reinforcing the bushland character of this interface.

- REMOVAL OF PINE TREES: Undertake a staged removed of existing pine trees to northern boundary.
- (11) PATHS: It is proposed that gravel paths replace existing informal tracks at the south-west corner of the reserve, and between the play space and the soccer pitches. Investigate options for improved path connections to and within the reserve. Liaise with Council's Biodiversity team.
- SOCCER PAVILION: The Master Plan supports the future addition of all accessible change/toilet facilities.

PEDESTRIAN ACCESS: A pedestrian path separate from the entry road is proposed. Alignment of pedestrian network should be investigated to ensure paths are DDA compliant. Consider above grade path near existing trees.

- FENCE REMOVAL: Investigate removal of existing redundant gate and fence
- FURNITURE: Additional parkland infrastructure such as seats, signage, bins and picnic tables are proposed at strategic locations throughout the reserve.
- **EXISTING SITES OF BIODIVERSITY:** Continue to enhance the Site's biodiversity and with Council's Biodiversity team, investigate opportunities to enhance local gene pools and stage removal of pine trees and other weed species across the site.
- FORMER BASKETBALL COURT REMOVAL: Remove existing redundant concrete pad and reintstate grass as required.
- SYNTHETIC SOCCER FIELD: Council to investigate synthetic surfacing to one publicly accessible playing field to allow for all season use.
- FENCE TO SPORTS FIELDS: Fencing around the sports field to be improved once existing fence has come to the end of its lifespan.
- WALLACE ROAD CAR PARK: Council to investigate opportunities to provide additional car parks within the Wallace Road car park.

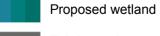
DRAWING KEY



Proposed indigenous trees



Proposed indigenous garden



Existing paths



Proposed concrete paths

