

# Juniper Park, Duncraig – Landscaping Works

## Frequently Asked Questions

### What is the purpose of the community engagement?

The City of Joondalup is seeking community feedback on proposed landscaping works for Juniper Park, Duncraig.

### Where is Juniper Park located?

Juniper Park lies in the suburb of Duncraig. It is bordered by Juniper Way and Sycamore Drive and shares a border with Davallia Primary School.

### Why has Juniper Park been identified for landscaping works?

Juniper Park was identified as part of the City's *Landscape Master Plan 2009–2019* as having a relatively high level of water consumption for its size and usage, largely due to its ageing irrigation infrastructure.

In addition to upgrading this infrastructure, the City is also proposing a number of other landscaping works to both maximise water efficiency and beautify the park.

### What landscaping works are being proposed?

There are a number of works proposed which are shown in the Draft Concept Plan, these include:

- Upgrading the existing irrigation system to incorporate hydrozoning principles
- Installing new concrete paths
- Installing new seating
- Upgrading existing maintenance vehicle access along Juniper Way
- Upgrading the existing single cricket net to a double net
- Installing a new barbeque, picnic shelter and picnic setting
- Removing the existing basketball pad and netball post and installing a new dual pad.

The Draft Concept Plan also proposes that the following park infrastructure be retained:

- All concrete paths
- All seating
- Drinking fountain
- Cricket wicket
- AFL goal posts
- Vehicle access gate along Rimu Place.

Works are **not** proposed for the toilets/changeroom or to any park lighting.

### Are there any other works proposed for Juniper Park?

Yes – the City is also proposing to replace the existing play space at the park with equipment suitable for children aged 2 to 12 years. The play space would include nature play elements, new seating, and new sand and rubber softfall surfacing.

### What is hydrozoning?

Hydrozoning is a method of applying different levels of irrigation to various zones according to their level of wear. For example, an active playing field is usually subject to much heavier wear than grass used for picnicking or recreational activities, so it would receive more water.

The impacts of hydrozoning can be varied, with some high watering areas becoming greener and reduced watering areas becoming less green.

### How will hydrozoning be applied to Juniper Park?

As part of the proposed hydrozoning, Juniper Park has been divided into three separate zones which are shown in the Draft Concept Plan:

- **Zone 1 – higher level of irrigation:**  
This zone would include the grassed playing surface which is currently used for sport and recreation. This area experiences the highest level of wear, so it would be watered at a higher level than the remainder of the park.
- **Zone 2 – medium level of irrigation:**  
This zone would include the grassed area and trees that surround the playing surface, playgrounds and the toilet/changeroom building. This area is still well used, but the nature of the activities undertaken in the space result in a lower level of wear. As such, it would be watered at a lower level than the playing surface.
- **Zone 3 – mulched/no irrigation:**  
This zone would include the tree-covered areas around the outer regions of the park. Fewer activities are undertaken in this space, so the existing grass would be replaced with mulch, and the irrigation switched off to reduce water consumption.

## Will any trees be removed as part of the proposed works?

Should the proposal be progressed, the City does not intend to remove any existing trees. However, if any trees are identified as being in poor structural condition, or dead and presenting a hazard, they will be removed and replaced with new trees in appropriate locations.

Pruning of trees that overhang the play space or new pathways/infrastructure would be carried out as required.

## When would the works be carried out?

Should the landscaping works be approved, they would be undertaken in April – June 2019. The play space would be replaced at the same time.

## How would park users be affected by the proposed works?

The City plans to schedule works during autumn/winter so that they would not impact on the summer playing season.

Upgrades would be staged and completed through each zone to ensure that other areas of the park are still useable as works are being undertaken.

## How would the proposed works be funded?

Funds have been allocated for works at Juniper Park in the City's *Capital Works Program 2018/19*. Funding for landscaping works have been set at a cost of \$505,000 and funds for the play space replacement have been set at a cost of \$110,000.

## Who is being engaged on this proposal?

The City is directly engaging with the following community stakeholders:

- All City of Joondalup landowners and residents within a 200 metres radius of Juniper Park
- Community Engagement Network members living in Duncraig
- Warwick Greenwood Senior Cricket Club
- Warwick Greenwood Junior Cricket Club
- Marmion, Sorrento, Duncraig Progress and Ratepayers Association Inc
- Davallia Primary School
- Local State and Federal parliamentarians.

In addition, signage has been erected in Juniper Park and all information is available on the City's website. Anyone interested in the proposed works can complete a Comment Form. Responses are limited to one per person.

## How do I provide feedback on the proposal?

If you are interested in providing feedback, please complete the online Comment Form via the City's website [joondalup.wa.gov.au](http://joondalup.wa.gov.au). Hard-copy Comment Forms are also available by contacting the City.

All responses must be received by **Monday 6 August 2018**.

## Who do I contact for further information?

For further information on the proposed works at Juniper Park, please contact the City's Infrastructure Services Customer Relations Team on **1300 369 972** or email [info@joondalup.wa.gov.au](mailto:info@joondalup.wa.gov.au)