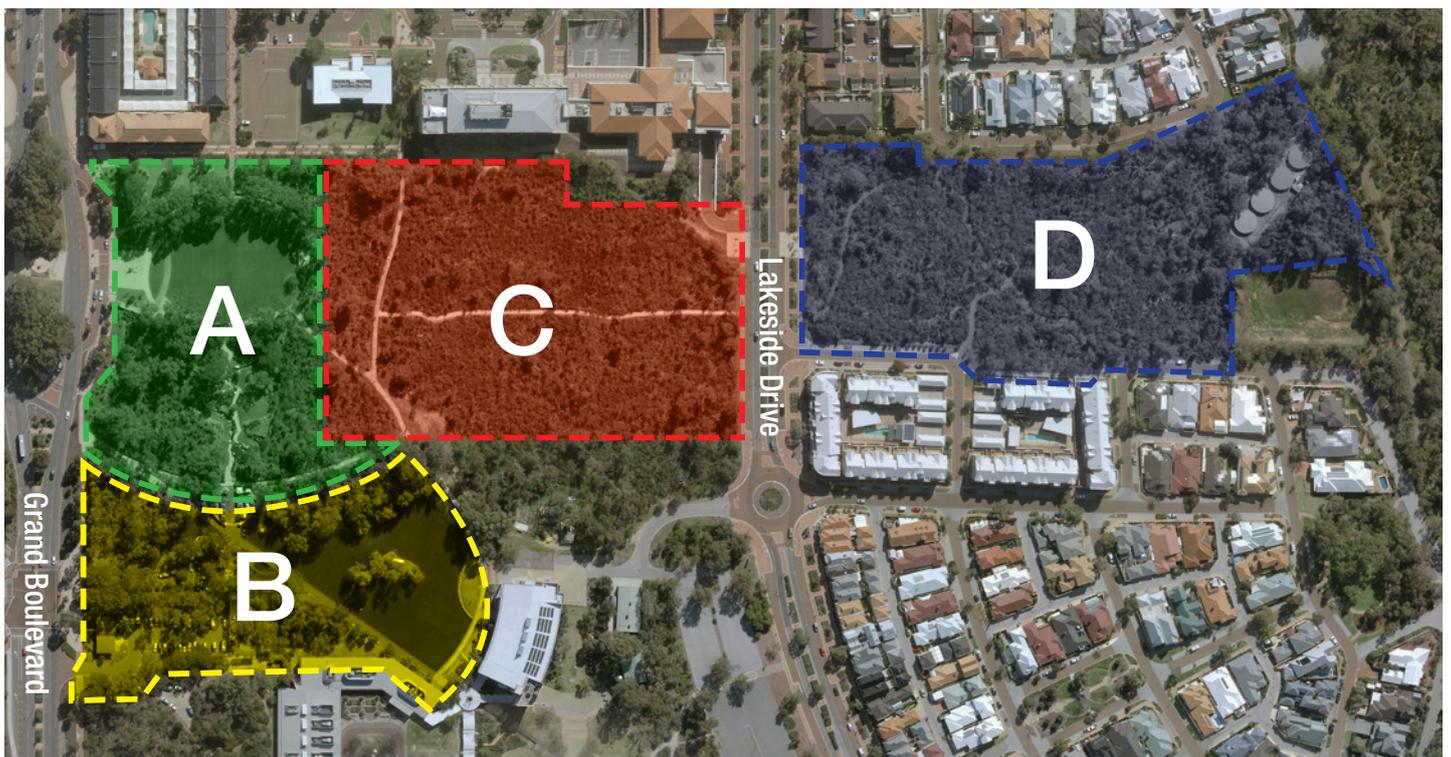


Proposal to Change Dog Control Measures — Central Park and Lakeside Park, Joondalup

Frequently Asked Questions

Image: Map of Central Park (A, B and C) and Lakeside Park (D), Joondalup.



What is the purpose of the consultation?

The City of Joondalup is seeking community feedback on a proposal to change where dogs can be exercised on/off-lead within Central Park and Lakeside Park, Joondalup.

This consultation follows a petition submitted to the Council by the Joondalup Farmers' Market requesting dogs be allowed into Central Park during the operation of the markets.

At its February 2019 meeting, Council resolved to publish its intention to change the designated on/off-lead provisions at Central Park and Lakeside Park, Joondalup:

- Dogs on-lead in Central Park South (B) and the entirety of Lakeside Park (D)
- Dogs prohibited in Central Park North (A) and Central Park Natural Area (C)

Where is Central Park, Joondalup located?

Central Park, Joondalup (shown as A, B and C in the map above) is located in the Joondalup City Centre. It is bounded by Grand Boulevard to the west, private residential and commercial to the north, North Metropolitan TAFE to the south and Lakeside Drive to the east.

Where is Lakeside Park, Joondalup located?

Lakeside Park, Joondalup (shown as D in the map above), is located on the eastern side of Lakeside Drive, opposite Central Park Natural Area. It is bordered on the north and south by private residential, and to the east by Neil Hawkins Park and Yellagonga Regional Park.

What are the features of the parks?

A — Central Park North contains the Joondalup War Memorial, a mix of manicured gardens, an artificial stream, designated pathways and natural areas to the east. It is used for recreational 'pick-up' matches and for community events such as Anzac Day commemorations, Australian Day citizenship ceremonies and Joondalup Festival.

B — Central Park South contains a freshwater lake and a grassed area. It is used for informal recreation and is home to the weekly Joondalup Farmers' Market on Saturday mornings.

C — Central Park Natural Area contains natural bushland and fauna species, including Carnaby's Black Cockatoos and Forrest Red Tail Cockatoos. It provides an ecological linkage, via Lakeside Park, to Yellagonga Regional Park.

D — Lakeside Park contains natural bushland and fauna species, including Carnaby's Black Cockatoos and Forrest Red Tail Cockatoos. Similar to the Central Park Natural Area, it provides an ecological linkage to Yellagonga Regional Park.

What are the current dog control measures?

A — Central Park North is currently designated as a dog exercise area meaning that dogs are able to be exercised off-lead. However, it has been generally accepted that dogs are not permitted in this space and dogs are not currently exercised there.

B — Central Park South is currently designated as a dog exercise area meaning that dogs are able to be exercised off-lead. However, similar to Central Park North (A), it has been generally accepted that dogs are not permitted in this space and dogs are not currently exercised there.

C — Central Park Natural Area is currently designated as a dog prohibited area due to the sensitive bushland contained within.

D — Lakeside Park is currently designated as a dog exercise area meaning that dogs are able to be exercised off-lead. This park is known to be currently utilised by the community for exercising dogs.

What are the proposed changes to dog control measures?

A — Central Park North is proposed to change to a dog prohibited area. This is due to the space being heavily used for recreational 'pick-up' matches and for community events such as Anzac Day commemorations, Australian Day citizenship ceremonies and Joondalup Festival. The City considers that dogs should be prohibited from this space to prevent excess dog excrement impacting on users.

B — Central Park South is proposed to change to a dogs on-lead area. This would allow visitors to walk through and enjoy the Joondalup Farmers' Market on a Saturday morning and also allow dog owners to walk through the southern portion of Central Park to Grand Boulevard.

C — Central Park Natural Area is proposed to remain a dog prohibited area. This is due to the risk of interaction with the high biodiversity values of the flora and fauna contained within the space, including Carnaby's Black Cockatoos and Forrest Red Tail Cockatoos. It is also considered that the presence of dogs within this space would have the potential to introduce diseases such as pathogens to the area.

D — Lakeside Park is proposed to change to a dogs on-lead area. This would allow community members to continue exercising their dogs in this space whilst reducing the risk of interaction with the high biodiversity values of the flora and fauna contained within the space, including Carnaby's Black Cockatoos and Forrest Red Tail Cockatoos.

Who is being engaged on this proposal?

The City has directly contacted the following stakeholders for feedback:

- Local residents/ratepayers within 400 metres radius of Central Park and Lakeside Park, Joondalup
- Community Engagement Network members residing in Joondalup
- Friends of Yellagonga Regional Park
- Joondalup Farmers' Market

In addition, all information is available on the City's website at joondalup.wa.gov.au Anyone interested in the proposal is encouraged to provide feedback.

What happens next?

After the close of the consultation period, the City will consider all submissions received and prepare a report for Council on the outcomes of consultation. The outcomes will also be made available via the Community Consultation section of the City's website at joondalup.wa.gov.au

If you would like to be informed via email when the outcomes of the consultation are presented to Council, please tick the box on the Comment Form and ensure you provide your email address.