

Heathridge Park – Draft Concept Plan

Community Consultation

Introduction

In 2019 the City initiated a Needs Analysis and Feasibility Study (the Study) to determine the current and future use of Heathridge Park. The Draft Concept Plan is an outcome of the Study undertaken by consultants Dave Lanfear and Associates, which included initial consultation with key sporting and community groups associated with Heathridge Park.

The Study has reaffirmed existing observations about inadequacies with the ageing infrastructure at Heathridge Park. The Draft Concept Plan is intended as an early concept to provide direction and focus for the future use of the whole of the site. The Plan proposes a new multi-functional community and sporting facility and upgraded sporting and public space infrastructure.

The estimated construction costs associated with the redevelopment is approximately \$15.7 million. There is currently no capital funding allocated by the City. The City will seek funding contributions from both State and Federal Governments. It is estimated that the Draft Concept Plan would result in operating savings to the City.

The key findings from the Study were considered by Council at its meeting held on **Tuesday 15 September 2020** (CJ138-09/20 refers) and it was resolved to endorse the Draft Concept Plan for the purposes of community consultation. This consultation is being undertaken with key stakeholders, user groups and the local community to seek feedback on the Draft Concept Plan.

Feedback will assist in the development of a refined concept plan which will be used for further scoping of the project including site investigations, financial analysis and preparation of a business case and funding strategy.

Background information

Heathridge Park is a 9.3 hectare active sporting park located at 16 Sail Terrace, Heathridge. The Park consists of three sporting/community buildings and associated sporting infrastructure and public amenities. Over 30 groups/sporting clubs regularly utilise the various buildings and sporting facilities and numerous local residents and visitors undertake recreation activities at Heathridge Park.

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Based on the initial stakeholder engagement as part of the Study, an early concept proposal (see over) was drafted by Dave Lanfear Consulting and Consultant Architects Hodge Collar Preston for sporting and recreational improvements, including:

- A new multi-purpose building to replace the three existing buildings.
- Enhanced/reconfigured car parking facilities.
- Reduced number of tennis courts from 10 to six.
- Realignment of seniors playing field with associated lighting infrastructure.
- Outdoor half-court basketball court.
- Relocated cricket nets with associated lighting infrastructure.
- Nature play area.
- BBQ/picnic areas.
- Optional informal amphitheatre/seating event space.
- Footpath/exercise loop.
- Re-vegetated areas to account for tree loss in other areas (tree replacement on a six to one basis).
- New Juniors Oval and realignment of existing Seniors Oval (both with floodlighting).

Submissions accepted:

Thursday 26 November –

Thursday 17 December 2020

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AREAS / USES LEGEND			
AREA ① - EXISTING CAR PARKING TO BE ENHANCED	AREA ⑥ - PROPOSED 6 x TENNIS COURTS	AREA ⑫ - NEW RETAINING WALL	AREA ⑰ - RE-VEGETATED AREA ACCOUNTING FOR TREE LOSS IN OTHER AREAS - TREE REPLACEMENT ON 6 TO 1 BASIS
AREA ② - EXISTING BUILDING & TENNIS COURTS TO BE DEMOLISHED	AREA ⑦ - PROPOSED BASKETBALL HALF COURT	AREA ⑬ - EXISTING BUILDING DEMOLISHED SHOWN DASHED	AREA ⑱ - EXISTING CAR PARK TO BE ENHANCED & RECONFIGURED - ONE ENTRY / EXIT CLOSED OFF TO INCREASE CAPACITY
AREA ③ - PROPOSED COMMUNITY / SPORTING FACILITY (2340m ²) - COVERED VIEWING AREAS FACING THE OVALS & TENNIS COURTS	AREA ⑧ - PROPOSED CRICKET NETS (OPTIONAL TURF OR SYNTHETIC PITCH)	AREA ⑭ - EXISTING DRAINAGE SUMP TO BE CAPPED, FILLED & RELOCATED	AREA ⑲ - EXISTING RETAINING WALL TO BE RETAINED & MODIFIED FOR NEW FOOTPATH
AREA ④ - EXISTING SENIOR'S OVAL TO BE RE-ALIGNED NORTH - SOUTH (165m x 135m, 5m RUN-OFF) - FLOOD LIGHTING TO BE PROVIDED (FL) (OPTIONAL SYNTHETIC PITCH)	AREA ⑨ - PROPOSED PLAY & BBQ AREAS WITH SHADE	AREA ⑮ - POTENTIAL LOCATION OF PROPOSED DRAINAGE SUMP TO BE ESTABLISHED	→ RAMP / STAIR ACCESS
AREA ⑤ - PROPOSED JUNIOR'S OVAL (110m x 80mm WITH 5m RUN-OFF) - FLOOD LIGHTING TO BE PROVIDED (FL)	AREA ⑩ - PROPOSED DESTINATION NATURE PLAY FEATURE WITH BBQ & SHADE / PICNIC AREAS	AREA ⑯ - PROPOSED FOOTPATH / EXERCISE LOOP	
	AREA ⑪ - INFORMAL AMPHITHEATRE SEATING / EVENT SPACE (OPTIONAL)		