



Pinks Reserve, Kilsyth

Master Plan

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Executive Summary

Pinks Reserve in Kilsyth is a valuable community resource which provides a wide range of recreational, social and sporting opportunities for residents and visitors.

This master plan provides a comprehensive planning document to guide future directions for the reserve. It is a vision for the future, with short to long-term goals and objectives for infrastructure and activities that impact the leisure, recreation and sporting participants at the reserve. Specifically it provides Council with a working document that outlines:

- Objectives for the provision of sport and recreation facilities at Pinks Reserve;
- A strategic approach for the future provision of sport and recreation facilities for Kilsyth and surrounding communities into the future;
- A reference to determine the suitability of any proposed works within the Reserve;
- A planning document to assist in seeking funds for improvements to the Reserve.

Following an extensive background review, site analysis and community and stakeholder engagement, A strategic masterplan has been prepared for this important reserve around three key themes;

Stadium Improvements and Upgrades;

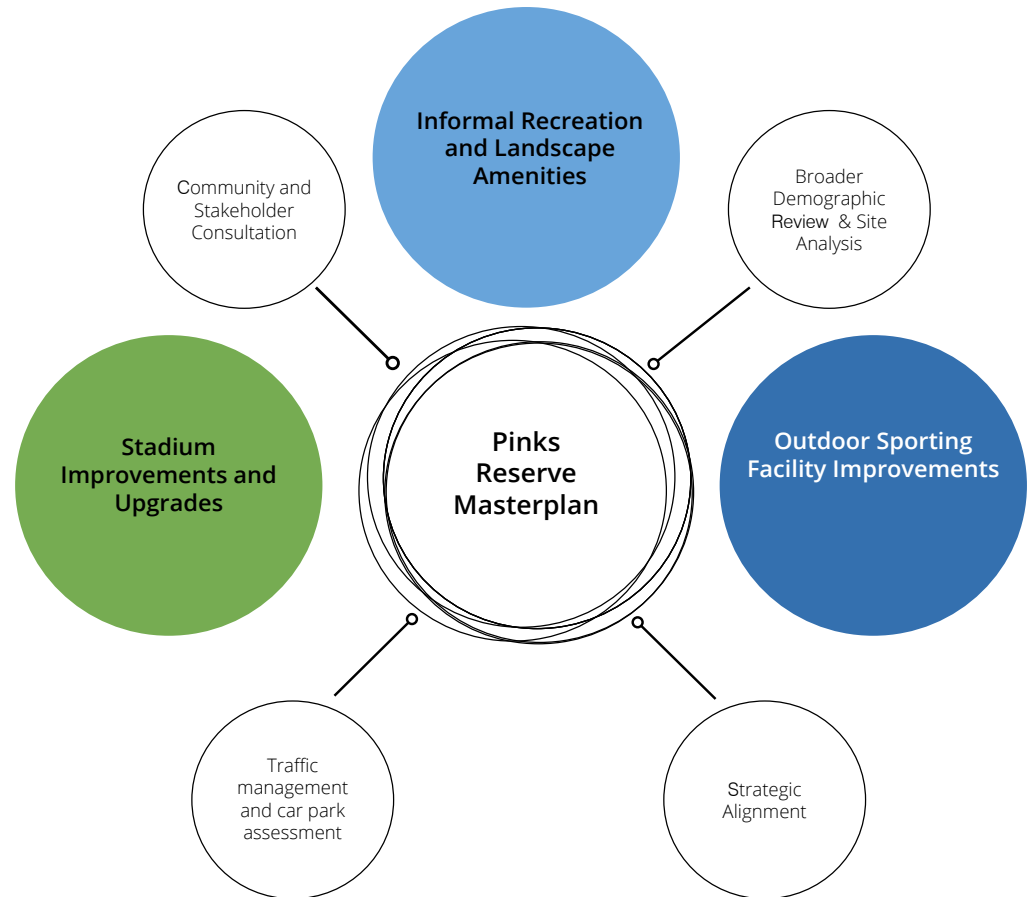
- *Ensure that the stadium can accommodate the growing participation in basketball with consideration of additional court/s ensuring universal design principles are applied to meet accessibility requirements.*
- *Ensure that the Table Tennis and Badminton Associations can continue to provide appropriate playing conditions now and into the future.*

Outdoor Sporting Facility Improvements;

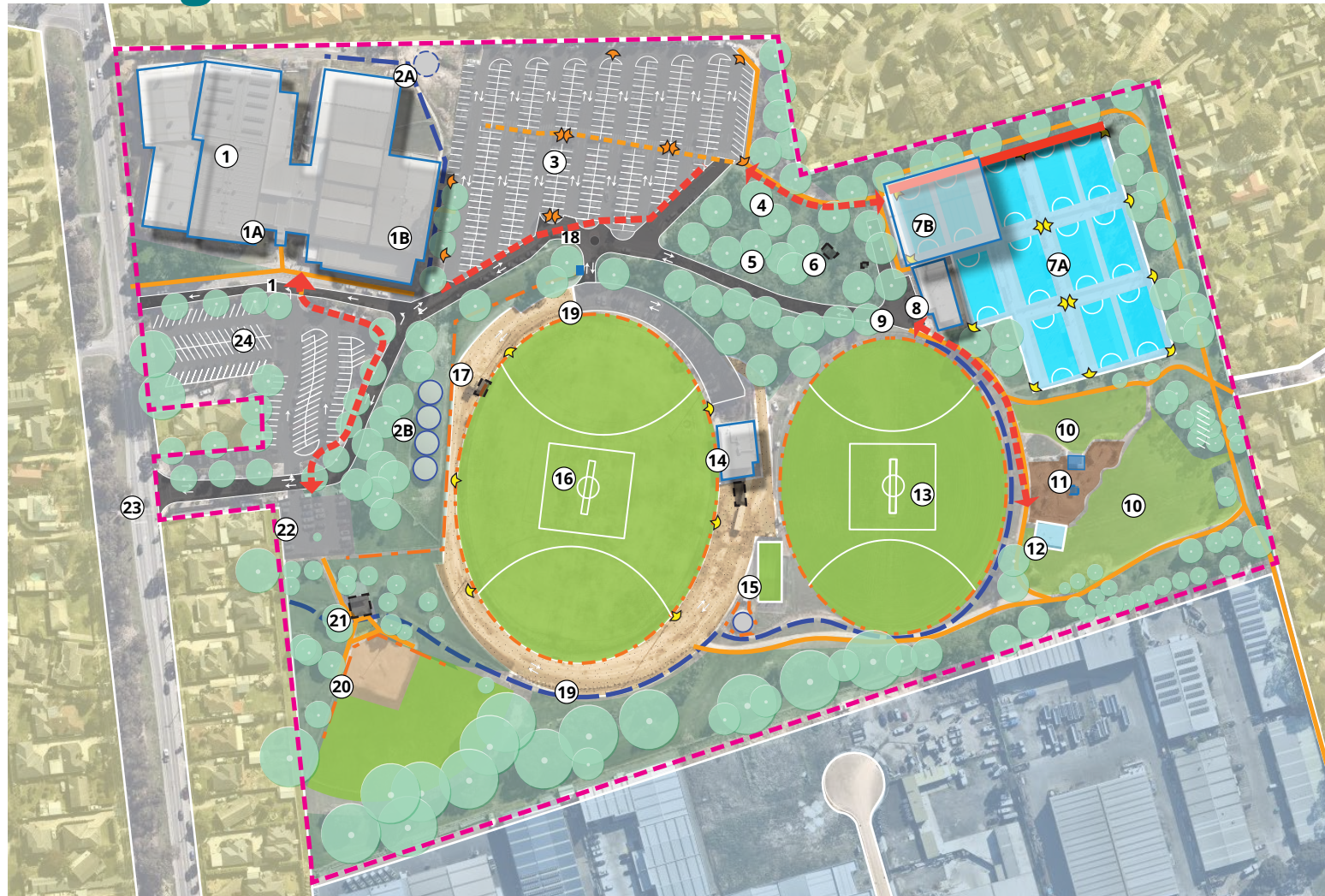
- *Support the continued growth of female and junior participation in sport with female friendly facilities.*
- *Upgrade to Gary Tait pavilion for improved accessibility for all.*
- *Amenities surrounding playing fields to support sporting participation such as fences nets to contain balls and improved access and parking.*
- *Additional shade/shelter for all weather participation for netball.*
- *Provide improved spectator and training facilities for softball participants.*

Informal Recreation and Landscape Improvements;

- *Upgrade car parking and make traffic flow, access and parking easier to the those using the sporting facilities and reserve users.*
- *Ensure the reserve is more connected with additional pedestrian paths and lighting.*
- *Incorporate new public toilet facilities in pavilion upgrade.*



Existing conditions



LEGEND

- SITE BOUNDARY
- EXISTING BUILDING
- PORTABLE TEMPORARY CHANGES ROOMS
- RESIDENTIAL ZONE
- INDUSTRIAL ZONE
- SEALED CAR PARK/ WITH LINE MARKING
- UNSEALED CAR PARK
- OPEN SPACE
- EXISTING VEGETATION
- EXISTING PLAYGROUND
- EXISTING DRAINAGE (OPEN SWALE)
- EXISTING FENCE
- EXISTING PATH
- EXISTING SOUND ATTENUATION WALL
- EXISTING WATER TANK
- ★ EXISTING SPORTS LIGHTING
- ★ EXISTING SECURITY LEVEL LIGHTING



Existing Features

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| 1 Kilsyth Stadium A) Basketball Entry B) Badminton/ Table Tennis Entry | 7 A) Netball Courts B) Covered Netball Courts | 13 Roy Baldwin Oval (Junior Oval) | 19 Car-park 4 (Cricket Football) |
| 2 A) Underground Water Tanks B) Water Tanks | 8 Netball Pavilion | 14 Gary Tait Pavilion | 20 Softball Field |
| 3 Car-park 2 (Badminton/ Table Tennis/ Netball) | 9 Car-park 3 (Netball) | 15 Cricket Nets | 21 Softball Club Rooms |
| 4 Netball Access Path | 10 Open Space | 16 Main Oval | 22 Car-park 5 (softball) |
| 5 Remnant High Value Trees | 11 Existing Playground with shelter and picnic tables | 17 Score Board | 23 Pinks Reserve Entry with Traffic Lights |
| 6 Existing Public Toilet | 12 Existing Half court basketball court | 18 Cricket/ Football entry with ticket booth | 24 Car-park 1 (Basketball) |

Background

Introduction

Pinks Reserve is located off Liverpool Road in Kilsyth. Pinks Reserve is surrounded on three sides by private residential properties and an industrial zone to the south.

Pinks Reserve has had a long history with sporting activities on site. It has served a vital role for the progression of sporting clubs in the Yarra Ranges. It is host to many clubs and associations that have rich history within their respective disciplines.

The reserve is home to the Kilsyth Sports Centre, incorporating regional basketball, badminton and table tennis, regional netball, AFL football, cricket and softball. Intermingled with these sporting activities is a playground, picnic area, half-court basketball and a path network popular with joggers and dog walkers.

Facility components include:

- *Basketball - 6 courts*
- *Badminton - 12 courts*
- *Table tennis - 22 courts*
- *Netball - 12 courts*
- *Sports grounds - two ovals (senior and junior size)*
- *Softball pitch (training only)*

The Pinks Reserve Masterplan was prepared following a comprehensive site analysis, detailed review of the demographics of the area and a review of relevant Council plans, strategic documents and industry literature.

Community Consultation

As part of the Pinks Reserve Masterplan Process, extensive community consultation was undertaken. This included an online survey involving 635 respondents, door to door interviews with adjacent residents, and ongoing engagement with key stakeholders and tenants including:

1. The Kilsyth Stadium committee

- Croydon & District Table Tennis Association
- Kilsyth Basketball Association
- Mountain District Badminton

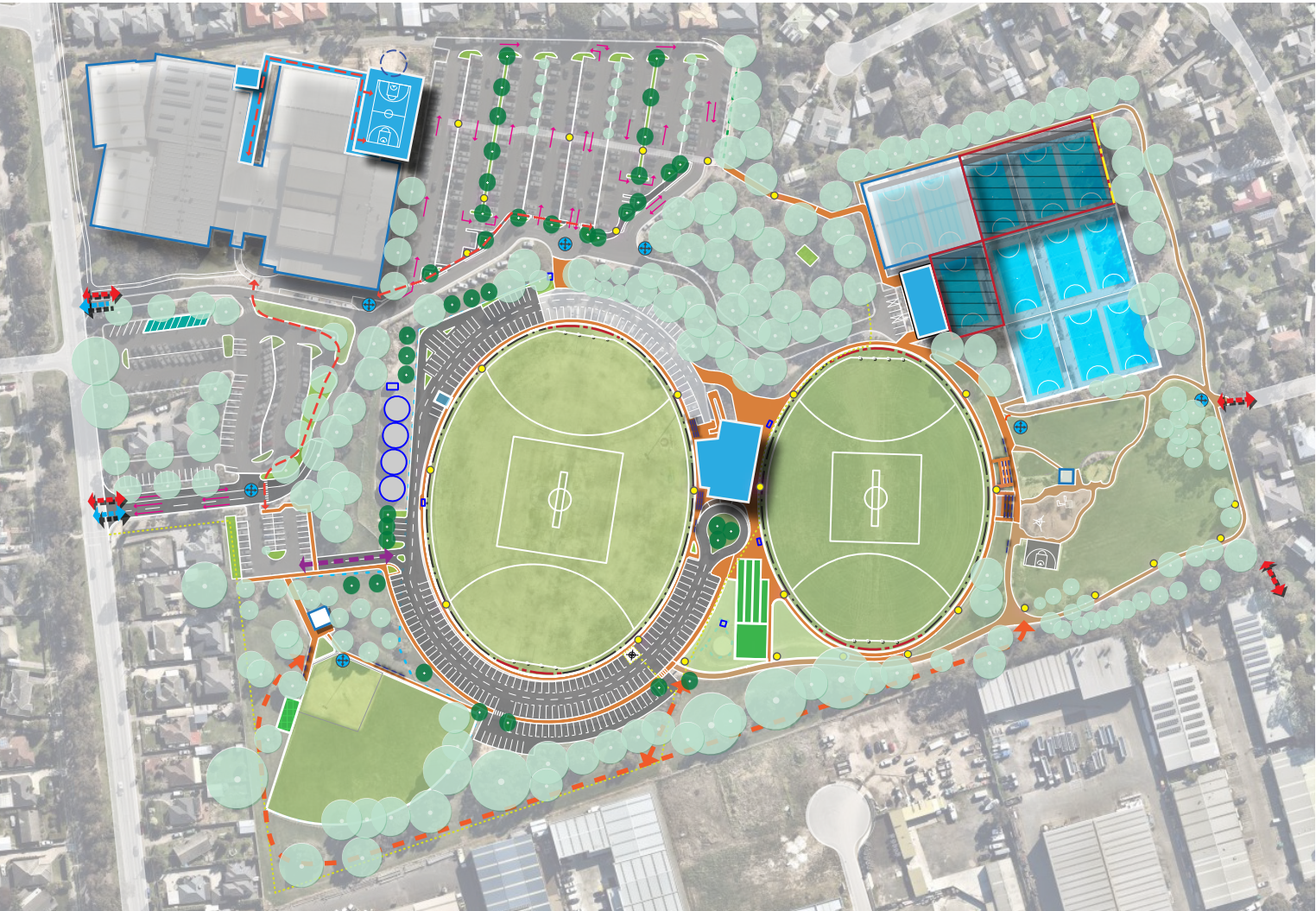
2. Sports Clubs

- Kilsyth Cricket Club
- Kilsyth Football Club (Junior and Senior)
- Lilydale Ejays Softball Club
- Lilydale and Yarra Valley Netball Association

3. Kilsyth Community Action Group

The information collected from this and ongoing involvement through the Project Reference Group, has been used to inform the masterplan accordingly.

Overall Masterplan



LEGEND

EXISTING BUILDING

PROPOSED BUILDING UPGRADE

PROPOSED COVERED NETBALL COURTS

PROPOSED ROAD/ SEALED CAR PARK WITH LINE MARKING / DISABILITY CARPARKS

EXISTING CARPARK

EXISTING PATH

PROPOSED SEALED PATH

NEW FENCE

HIGH SPORTS NETS

SOUND WALL

NEW TRAFFIC FLOW (INDICATIVE ONLY. SUBJECT TO DETAIL DESIGN)

WAY FINDING SIGNAGE

LIGHTING

PROPOSED TREE

EXISTING TREE

EXISTING WATER TANK

EXTERNAL PEDESTRIAN ACCESS

EXTERNAL VEHICLE ACCESS

PROPOSED NEW ROAD

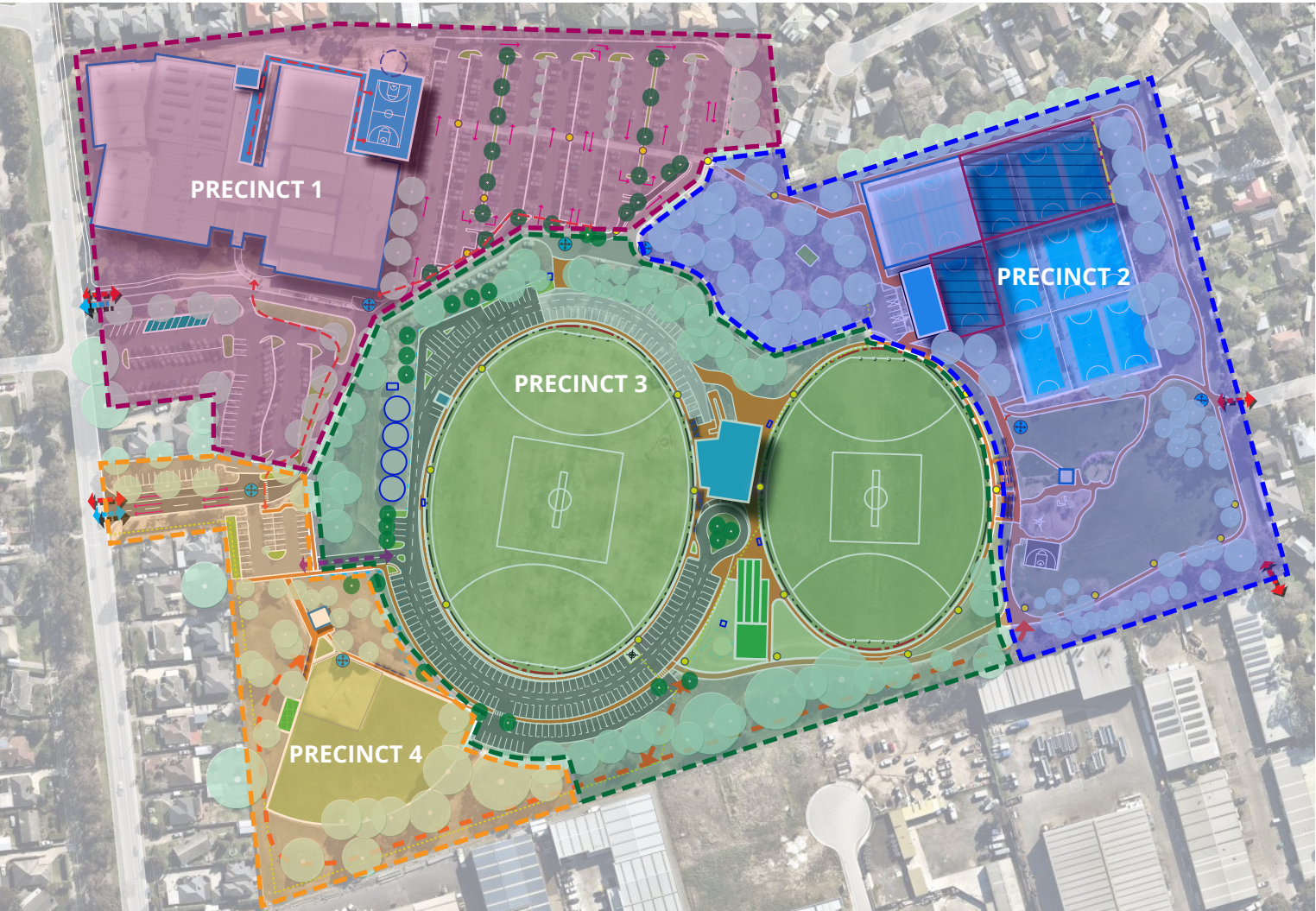
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Masterplan - Precinct Plan



Precinct Key

- Precinct 1: Sport Stadiums
- Precinct 2: Netball Courts and Playspace
- Precinct 3: Sport Ovals
- Precinct 4: Softball Pitch and Surrounds



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Masterplan implementation

General Park Improvements

Overall the masterplan recommends broad-scale improvements to the reserve including potential power upgrades and an improved path network to improve connections and accessibility throughout the reserve.

There is also a focus on upgrades to existing car parks and roads to improve traffic flow, way-finding and safety.



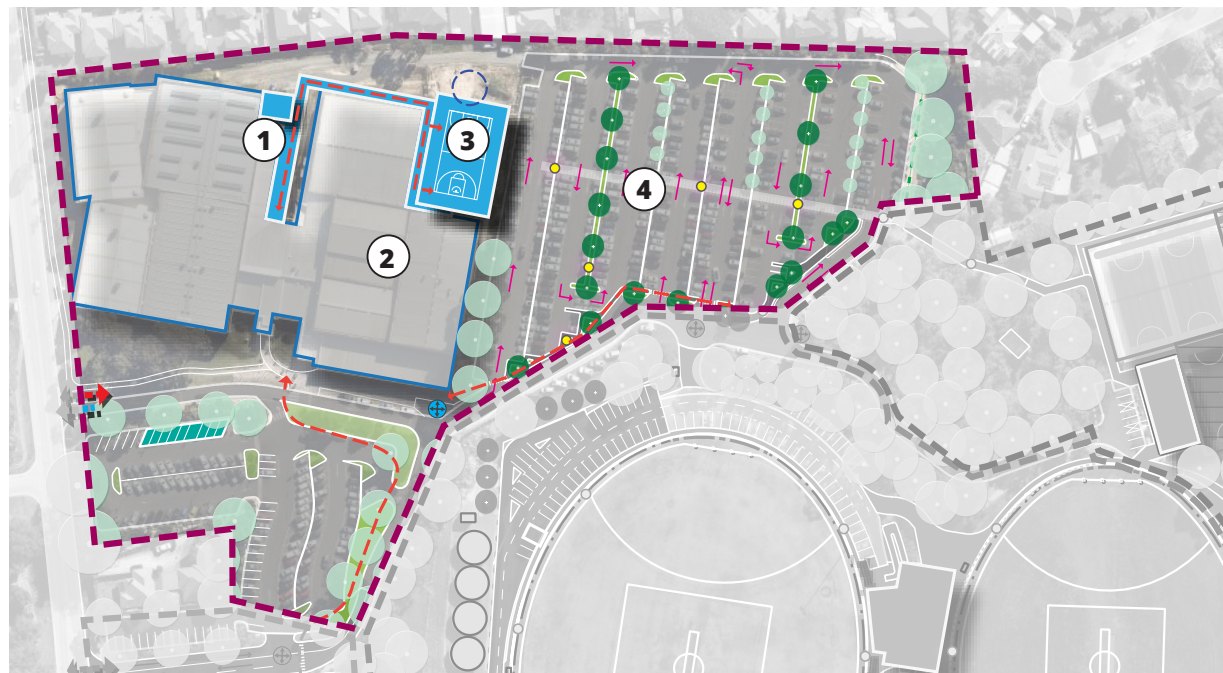
Map Reference	Recommendations	Estimated Cost	Implementation	Council/Other contribution	State Govt. Contribution
General	Investigative Studies and preliminary works (site investigations, power upgrade, planning and approvals)	\$350,000	Years 1 - 3	\$110,000	\$240,000
General	Broader Park improvements (New and improved path network around reserve including path widening, lighting, seating, signage and landscaping)	\$950,000	Years 3 - 5	\$445,000	\$505,000
General	Road and carpark improvements (Improve connectivity and flow, formalise car parking, improved lighting)	\$625,000	Years 3 - 5	\$625,000	
General	Water fountain placement (Consider strategic placement of water fountains around the reserve.)	General works	Years 3 - 5		

Precinct 1: Sports Stadium

The first major precinct within the Masterplan focuses on works with the Kilsyth Sports Stadium. Key recommendations include a major improvements to the Basketball stadium with a focus on new accessible amenities and the introduction of a new competition court.

There are also improvements and rectification works to the Badminton and Table tennis wall insulation and kitchen areas.

External works include improved signage and circulation to the existing car parking whilst there is also a recommendation to look at the feasibility of the possible future relocation of the Table Tennis courts to a new location.



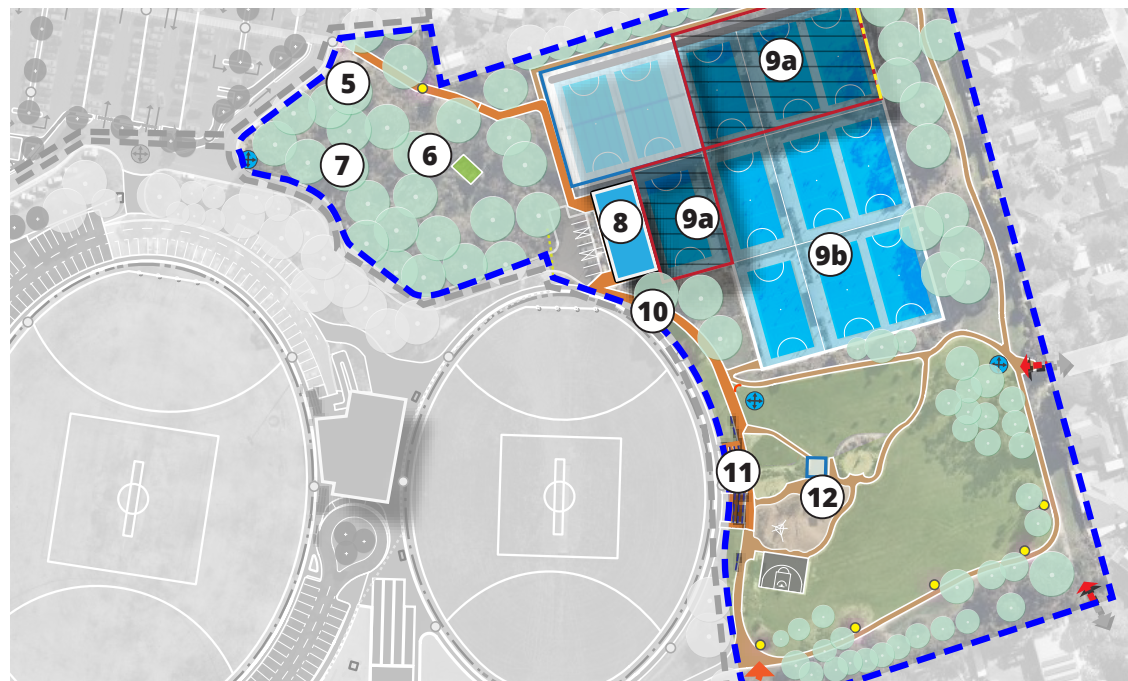
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1	Basketball - stadium amenities improvements - Refurbishment of basketball showcourt amenities & seating area, new accessible amenities for players	\$1,516,000	Years 1 - 4	\$951,000	\$565,000
2	Badminton and Table Tennis - stadium wall insulation	\$465,000	Year 1 - 2		\$465,000
2	Table Tennis - Kitchen/social area upgrade	\$25,000	Years 6 - 10	\$25,000	
2	Badminton - Kitchen refurbishment	\$25,000	Years 6 - 10	\$25,000	
3	Basketball - Extension of stadium to include an additional competition grade basketball court	\$3,500,000	Years 1 - 4		\$3,500,000
4	Car Park - signage and circulation improvements	General works	Years 3 - 5		
Further investigation	Stadium Planning - Work with associations to investigate opportunities and feasibility to relocate badminton and table tennis, or basketball to achieve overall improved conditions for all participants.	tbc	Years 10+		

Precinct 2: Netball Courts and Playspace

The second major precinct within the Masterplan focuses on works with the Netball Courts and Playspace. The focus of these works in the masterplan include;

Broad-scale access improvements with path widening and removal of existing toilets to be relocated to the redeveloped football pavilion. Protection and retention of existing significant trees throughout the reserve.

The possible expansion of the Netball pavilion is also outlined as well as additional improvements to the netball courts including walling, drainage works and potential covers over the remaining courts. From a playspace perspective there is recommendations to improve the paths to the playspace and adding in new viewing terraces with the possible future expansion of the playspace in time.



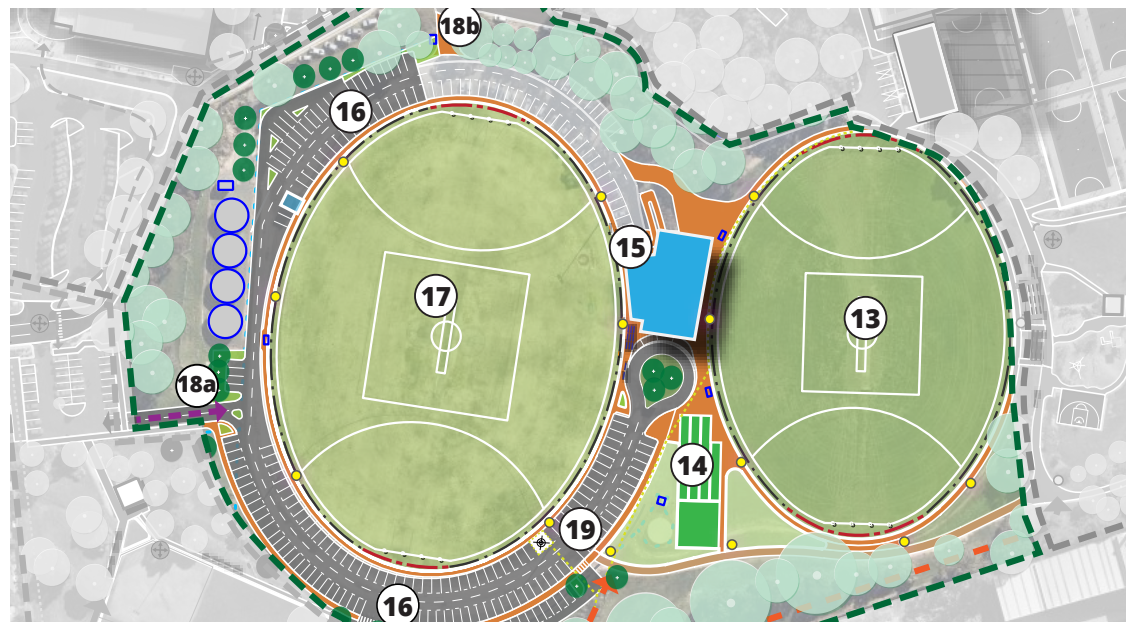
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5	General - Widen existing access path to netball courts	General works	Years 3-5		
6	Public Toilets - Demolish and relocate amenities with the redeveloped Gary Tait pavilion	Included in pavilion cost	Year 4		
7	Landscape - Retain and Protect existing trees	General works	Ongoing		
8	Netball - Consider future expansion of the netball pavilion to provide additional player support facilities	tbc	Years 10+		
9a)	Netball - Covers over 4 additional courts, extension of sound wall and associated drainage works	\$2,615,000	Years 1 - 2	\$200,000	\$2,415,000
9b)	Netball - Consider covers over remaining 6 courts	tbc	Years 10+		Seek grant
10, 11	General - Widen and seal existing gravel path to playspace. Terraced seating to embankment between oval and playspace	General works			
12	Playspace - Upgrade existing playspace to increase diversity of play, including disability friendly elements	tbc	Years 10+		

Precinct 3: Sport Ovals

The third major precinct within the Masterplan is centered around the two main ovals within Pinks Reserve.

Recommendations include the resurfacing of Oval 2, fencing and sports level lighting as well as improved lighting to the cricket nets. There is also the major upgrade to the Gary Tait pavilion, focusing on improved access and amenities to support female participation.

There is also a focus on improving the flow of vehicular movement around the oval including potential new entrances and formalization of car parking and paths as well as the installation of a new Optus tower.



Map Reference	Recommendations	Estimated Cost	Implementation	Council/Other contribution	State Govt. Contribution
13	Football / Cricket - Oval 2 upgrade and resurface. Upgrades to include improved drainage, irrigation, new perimeter fence, high net fence behind goals and sports level lighting.	NA	Under construction	Prior budget allocation	Previous funding
14	Cricket - Improved lighting to cricket nets for extended evening use	\$80,000	Years 10+		
15	Football / Cricket pavilion - upgrade Gary Tait pavilion to improve amenities to support female participation, provide additional change room facilities, improve social and spectator space.	\$5,100,000	Years 1 - 4	\$3,050,000	\$2,050,000
16, 17	Football / Cricket - Oval 1 surrounds upgrade and seal existing car park including line marking. Restrict movement behind the existing pavilion to allow for future expansion. New perimeter fence, high fence behind goals.	\$1,080,000	Years 1 - 5		\$560,000
18a),18b)	Football / Cricket - a) Potential for a new entry point to Oval 1 and b) block off existing entry with a gate / removable bollards to limit access.	General works	Year 5		
19	Optus - New telecommunications tower to be installed	NA	tbc	NA	NA

Precinct 4: Softball pitch and Surrounds

The fourth and final precinct is on the western edge of the resource.

The softball diamond area will be upgraded including improved viewing and additional training lighting and potentially a batting cage. Existing vegetation constrains the site to training purposes only.

There is also consideration to look into possible relocation of the softball if feasible in the long term if a suitable location can be found that can accommodate improved facilities.

Recommendations for this area include improving vehicular access in and out of the reserve including consideration of new light sequencing and additional exit lanes at Liverpool road.



Map Reference	Recommendations	Estimated Cost	Implementation	Council/Other contribution	State Govt. Contribution
20	Softball - upgrade / repair of fencing, additional lighting for training, additional spectator seating. Batting cage addition to existing fence	\$200,000	Years 1 - 2		200,000
21	General - provide line marking to existing car park.	General works	Year 5		
22	General - retain / improve informal walking trail along boundary, including path lighting.	General works	Years 1 - 5		
23	General - widen and extend exit lanes at Liverpool Road. Investigate opportunities to change light sequencing to help improve traffic flow.	General works	Year 5		
Further investigation	Softball Planning - Work with the Lilydale Ejays Club to investigate opportunities and feasibility to relocate softball to an alternate site that could accomodate regulation size playing facilities.	tbc	Years 6 - 10	tbc	Seek grant