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Inner West Council
acknowledges the Gadigal and
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Custodians of the lands in
which the Inner West Local
Government Area is situated.

We celebrate the survival of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, heritage, beliefs and their relationship with the land and water. We acknowledge the continuing importance of this relationship to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples living today, despite the devastating impacts of European invasion. We express our sorrow for past injustices and support the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to self-determination.



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Inner West Council has prioritised a list of open spaces for new or updated Plans of Management, identifying those most in need. Rozelle Parklands and Easton Park have been designated a high priority within the Inner West Council area.

This report includes the Plan of Management (PoM) and Master Plan (MP) for Rozelle Parklands and Easton Park, situated in Rozelle within the Inner West Council Local Government Area (LGA).

What is a Plan of Management

A Plan of Management is the principle document that guides Council's long-term future planning, design, development and management of public land.

Easton Park

Easton Park is bounded by Burt Street to the north, Denison Street to the west, low-density residences to the east, and faces south to Rozelle Parklands across Lilyfield Road. Proclaimed as a park by the Governor in 1890, Easton Park has been serving the community as a highly-used recreational space for over a century.

Covering approximately 2 hectares, the majority of Easton Park is Crown Land managed by the Inner West Council. The current Plan of Management for Easton Park, prepared in 2010, is now due for review to ensure it aligns with the Council's operational plans and objectives.

Rozelle Parklands

Across from Easton Park, the newly established Rozelle Parklands were developed as part of the WestConnex Rozelle Interchange project. These parklands cover nearly 10 hectares of multipurpose open space, making them one of the largest recreational and multi-purpose sporting areas in the inner city.

Owned by Transport for NSW (TfNSW), the Rozelle Parklands will continue to be enhanced and evolve. Inner West Council is working to reach an agreement with TfNSW for the use of the land as a public reserve. This agreement requires a Plan of Management and a proposed Master Plan for further community consultation. There is currently no Plan of Management in place to identify the long-term objectives and management of the Park.

The Plan of Management (PoM) and Master Plan (MP) for Rozelle Parklands and Easton Park provide the community, sporting groups, and Inner West Council with a clear framework for the future use and management of these parks.

This PoM has been prepared based on a detailed analysis of relevant planning and policy directions, a comprehensive assessment of existing site conditions and usage patterns, and extensive consultation with internal Council staff, key stakeholders, and the general community.

Relationship to other Plans, Policies and Documents

The Plan of Management forms the overall guiding document for the future management and future directions for Rozelle Parklands and Easton Park. The Master Plan provides direction to Council and the community on how the park will be developed and its key community and recreation features. Importantly the Master Plan seeks to improve local recreational opportunities and amenity, enhance community well-being and improve the natural environment.

How to use this document

Development of the Rozelle Parklands and Easton Park POM and Master Plan involved an overlap of research and analysis. The POM and Master Plan were undertaken simultaneously and are presented together within the same document.

Developing the Plan of Management and Master Plan involved the following processes:

- Policy review identifying the opportunities and constraints presented by national and local government initiatives.
- Demographic review identifying the local community profile.
- Review of site ownership and legal categorisation.
- Identification of applicable statutory conditions and legislation.
- · Undertaking a detailed site analysis.
- Undertaking Community Engagement though drop in sessions and an online survey.
- Analysis of the outcomes of the Context Review, Site Analysis and Community Engagement Outcomes to develop Key Objectives and Strategies for management and action.
- Application of the physical strategies within the Master Plans.

Structure of Plan

The Plan of Management is set out in the following format:

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Project Context
- Categorisation & Ownership, Statutory Conditions & Legislation
- 4. Leases & Licences
- 5. Master Plan Strategies
- 6. Master Plans
- 7. Implementation Strategy

The PoM appendix comprises:

- · Site Analysis Report
- Engagement Outcomes Reports

Key features of the Master Plans:

LILYFIELD ROAD

- New raised pedestrian and cyclist crossings at Easton Park's entry and Ryan St
- New Fig Tree Avenue on Lilyfield Road with 90-degree angled parking westbound where road width allows
- 3. New coach drop-off areas on Lilyfield Road and on Bayview Crescent
- New speed humps on Lilyfield Road and on Denison Street
- 5. Removal of marked cycle lane from Ryan Street to Victoria Road
- 6. Future Lilyfield Road Cycleway connecting to the GreenWay and the Bay Run
- 7. Remove turning lane at Denison Street/Lilyfield Road intersection
- 8. Kerb build-out at Gordon Street/Lilyfield Road intersection
- 9. Kerb build-out at Victoria Road/Lilyfield Road intersection
- 10. New footpath on southern side of Lilyfield Road from Denison Street to Ryan Street
- 11. Aerial bundling of power lines that currently run through the mature trees
- 12. Undergrounding of power lines that clash with new trees
- 13. Future separated cycleway on Gordon Street (from *Draft Rozelle Town Centre Master Plan*)
- 14. New roundabout at Lilyfield Road/Denison Street intersection

EASTON PARK

- New Raised pedestrian and cyclist crossings at Easton Park's main entry.
- 2. Park entry upgrade with generous ramps, signage, landscaping, seating, bike racks and bollards.
- 3. Existing amenity building to be demolished
- 4. New building incorporating storage, changing rooms and toilets. Design to address CPTED considerations and opportunity to incorporate public art on building facade.
- 5. New decking area overlooking the sporting ground. Provide BBQ facilities and DDA tables
- 6. New and relocated seating benches overlooking the sports ground.

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- 7. New pathway network:
 - » connecting eastern entry to the sporting ground
 - » along the angled parking at Denison Street
 - » along the west and south sides of the sporting ground
- 8. Maintain current use of existing sporting ground. Cricket nets and basketball half-court.
- 9. Designated area for the storage of football goal posts.
- 10. Replace three sides of fence around the Sewer Pump Station to match the front white fence.
- 11. Upgrade and expand the existing playground to include new play equipment, water play area, ping pong tables, seating, planting and shading structure. Opportunity for a new adventure playground.
- 12. Bush Tucker Garden with timber log trail and educational signages.
- 13. Upgrade existing planting to enhance park experience and biodiversity.
- 14. New community garden.
- 15. New Dog off leash area.
- 16. New 90-degree angled parking.
- 17. New roundabout at Lilyfield Road/Denison Street intersection

ROZELLE PARKLANDS

- New raised pedestrian and cyclist crossings at park entry align with Ryan Street
- 2. Future Lilyfield Road Cycleway connecting to the GreenWay and the Bay Run
- New Fig Tree Avenue on Lilyfield Road with 90-degree angled parking westbound where road width allows
- 4. Aerial bundling the overhead power line
- 5. The separation of pedestrian and cyclist paths by linemarking creates a false sense of security and increases the risk of conflicts and accidents. Consider future opportunities to introduce soft planting or other suitable median to further separate the pedestrian and cycle path
- 6. Cyclist Dismount markings at the beginning of footpath
- 7. New connection from yarning circle to footpath

- 8. New vegetated swales with pedestrian access/ decks at regular intervals
- 9. New park seatings overlooking the wetland
- 10. New shade structures for fitness area and playground
- 11. New toilet block (design and delivery by TfNSW)
- 12. Existing park entry removed and relocated
- 13. New park entry aligned with Easton Park entry and new raised pedestrian crossing on Lilyfield Road
- New pedestrian access/decks over existing turfed swales
- 15. Options for Cricket Wicket A: Synthetic turf wicket block on concrete base to allow winter usage B: Natural turf wicket subject to agreement that NSW Cricket will meet 50% of the total annual maintenance costs moving forward
- 16. Amphitheatre area includes permissible uses to allow for additional temporary seating, staging and storage to support cultural events
- 17. Sports ground lighting upgraded to support cultural and live music events
- 18. Council advocate to the NSW Government the repurposing of the two terraces houses on Lilyfield Road for uses which are consistent with the use of the parkland at no cost to Council. Potential uses may include a combination of the following: cafe, restaurant or pub with outdoor dining, childcare centre, community centre, bike hub and more.
- New amenity block to include change rooms and storage facilities (design and delivery by TfNSW)
- 20.Additional screen planting along fence to screen views of and noise from the heavy traffic on City-West Link
- 21. New coach drop-off areas on Lilyfield Road
- 22. Footpath widening at eastern park entry
- 23.Undergrounding of power lines that clash with new trees
- 24. Future separated cycleway on Gordon Street (from *Draft Rozelle Town Centre Master Plan*)
- 25.New BBQ facilities and picnic table sets
- 26.Mixed-purpose sports courts (design and delivery by TfNSW)
- 27. Future plaza connecting to the White Bay Power Station and the The Bays Metro Station
- 28.New footpath widening with existing parallel parking retained

- 29. Option for new picket fence around the oval
- 30.Option for a second cricket nets in addition to the ones at Easton Park
- 31. New roundabout at Lilyfield Road/Denison Street intersection

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 WHAT IS A PLAN OF MANAGEMENT + MASTER PLAN?

A Plan of Management (PoM) is a strategic document that outlines the management of community land owned or managed by Council. It describes how an area of open space will be used, improved and managed over the next ten years. In doing so the PoM informs Council's planning, budgeting for capital works and ongoing management and maintenance services.

A Master Plan is a landscape design report that outlines necessary actions for improvements, aiming to direct the physical transformation of the site over the next decade. It proposes how the strategies outlined in the Plan of Management can be implemented through specific site improvements tailored to the parks' needs.

1.2 REVIEW OF THIS PLAN

The Rozelle Parklands and Easton Park Plan of Management is to be reviewed in ten years to ensure it aligns with Council's operational plans and objectives.

1.3 BACKGROUND TO THIS POM

The Inner West Council has produced a Plan of Management Priority List to identify which open spaces within the Inner West LGA are most in need of review.

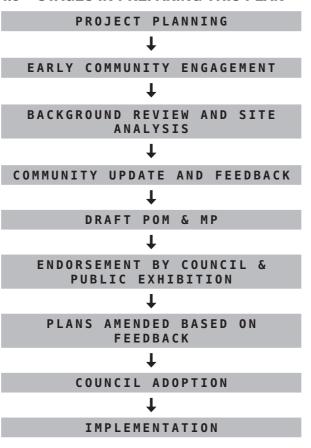
On December 5, 2023, the Council resolved to develop Plan of Management and Master Plan for Rozelle Parklands and Easton Park. This PoM will sit in line with *Local Government Act 1993* and the *Crown Land Management Act 2016*.

1.4 PURPOSE OF THIS PLAN

The purpose of this PoM is to provide a ten year strategic framework for the future use and sustainable management of Rozelle Parklands and Easton Park. The PoM is accompanied by landscape Master Plans and action plans to guide future asset management and capital works in and around the Parks. The action plans also detail other operational and management

actions required to support and complement asset management and capital works in order to successfully realise the desired outcomes.

1.5 STAGES IN PREPARING THIS PLAN



1.6 PLAN OF MANAGEMENT STAKEHOLDER TARGETS AND ACTIVITIES

The Plan of Management Process has a number of engagement targets both internally and externally. These Include:

Community and External Stakeholders:

- The Local Inner West community
- · Neighbouring properties
- Sports clubs
- User groups

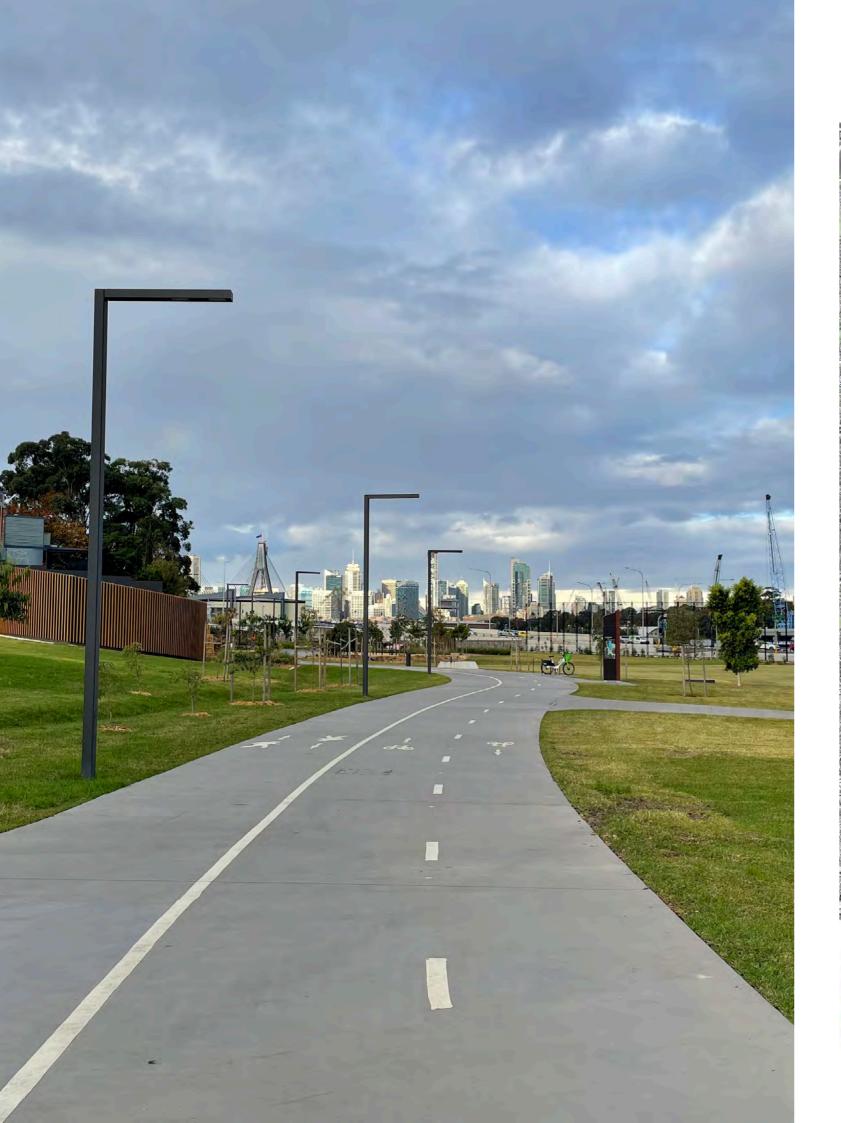
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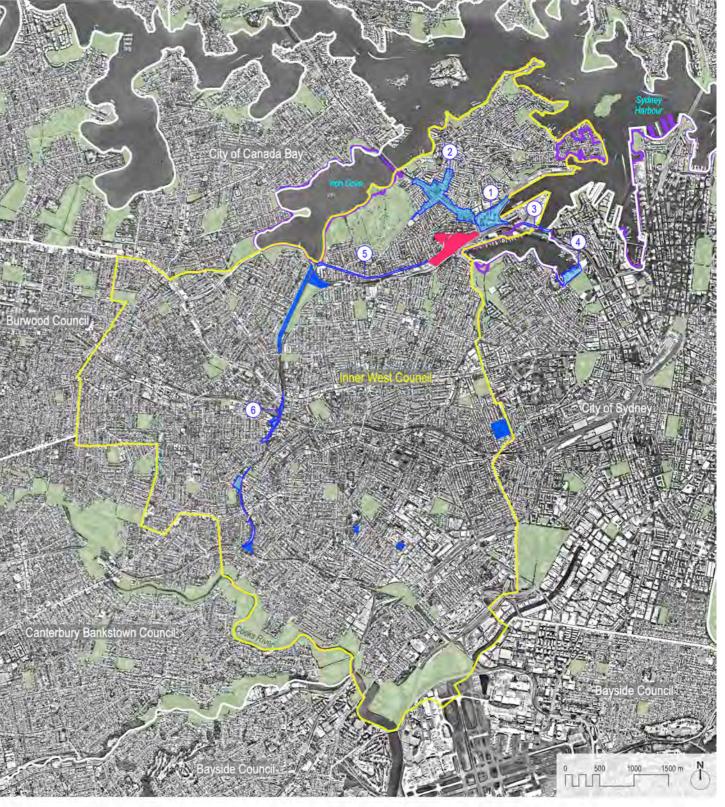
- Onsite drop-in sessions
- · Online survey, comment, and/ or discussion

Internal (Council) Activities Include:

- Internal workshops
- Online survey, comment, and/ or discussion
- Meetings, phone calls, and written submissions







- Inner West Council LGA
 LGA boundary
- UGA boundary
 Open spaces
- Recreational trails
- Easton Park & Rozelle Parklands
 Other IWC parks undergoing
 PoM&MP
- 1 The Bays Metro Station & White Bay Power Station
- 2 Draft Rozelle Town Centre Master Plan
- 3 Glebe Island Bridge
- 4 New Fish Market
- 5 Lilyfield Road Active Transport Link
- GreenWay Master Plan



2. PROJECT CONTEXT

2.1 REGIONAL CONTEXT

Inner West Council

The Inner West Council area is located five kilometres west of the Sydney Central Business District (CBD). It was established when the former councils of Ashfield, Leichhardt and Marrickville merged in May 2016. Five wards make up the council: Ashfield, Balmain, Leichhardt, Marrickville, and Stanmore,

The Inner West Council has a resident population of 192,000 people, and spans 36km² from the banks of Parramatta River at Birchgrove in the north east, to the Cooks River at Dulwich Hill in the south west.

In total (including non-Council owned land), there is 321.6 hectares of open space within the Inner West, making up 9.1% of the total land area. Based on the 2016 population, this equates to 16.4m2 of open space provision per person.

There are 278 Council-owned or controlled parks and sports grounds, totalling 256 hectares. This makes up 7.3% of the total land area of the Inner West.

Major strategic initiatives currently underway are set to transform Rozelle, including the master planning and priority projects for Rozelle Town Centre, Bays Precinct, GreenWay, Lilyfield Cycleway, and the new Fish Market.

Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands are key components of the open space and active transport network in Rozelle and Sydney. These two parks contribute to completing the active transport link from GreenWay and the Bay Run to the Bays Metro Station and the Sydney CBD. This will be further enhanced by the future Lilyfield Road Cycleway and the reopening of Glebe Island Bridge.

Existing Recreational Needs and Future Projections

Recreation Needs Study - A Healthier Inner West, published in 2018 and then updated in October 2021, is a study commissioned by Inner West Council in 2018 providing an analysis of the existing recreation facilities within the LGA, including their current and predicted usage. The document breaks down the Inner West into 4 catchment areas to provide accurate information regarding the future needs of each catchment.

Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands lie within Catchment 1 - North.

The Inner West community is expected to grow with an additional 34,815 residents projected by the year 2036. If new open space is not provided the amount of open space per person will decline from 16.4m² to 14.3m² per person within this timeframe.

Population growth will also result in additional pressure on current sporting and recreational facilities, and it is anticipated that additional facilities will be needed, and that current facilities will be required to intensify their usage to meet demand.

Based on industry benchmarks, by 2026 there will be a total gap of:

- 3 summer sporting grounds
- 5 winter sporting grounds
- 6 indoor (multi-purpose) courts
- 9 outdoor (multi-purpose) courts
- 0.9 indoor leisure centre (dry)
- 0.6 indoor leisure centre (aquatic)
- 0.5 skate park/facility.

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

Community engagement completed for this Study investigated recreation participation in the Inner West. Local participation in recreation broadly corresponds to national and state participation trends - walking is the most popular activity at a local, state and national level.

Across the spectrum of recreation activities. recreation" activities, with 80% of survey respondents participating at least weekly

This was followed by personal fitness, with 66% of people participating at least weekly

In total, 4.5% of people engaged did not participate regularly (at least weekly) in recreation (of any kind), and an additional 1.4% participated regularly in "passive recreation" but not any other kind of recreation.

Figure 18 shows the most popular ecreation activities across all community engagement types.

Key differences between different groups:

than the general community.

· Females used children's playgrounds, aquatic centres and footpaths more often, while males

used cycle paths, sporting fields and courts. and the Greenway more often than female

English at home used all facilities less regularly

(Most popular activity in the survey with 34% participating at least weekly, 3^{st} most popular in the community map, 5^{th} in the school workshops, popular in the multicultural focus groups)

Walking for transport

Playing in a playground/playing in a park/taking children to play

Personal fitness/outdoor fitness

(4th in the survey with 23% participating at least weekly

Relaxing in a park

Hockey*

Football (11th in the su

Tai Chi, table tennis, and badminton were also popular activities amongst the older population of people who speak a language other than English at home

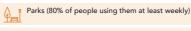
Figure 18 - Most popular recreation activities identified through community engagement completed for the Inner West Recreation Needs Study (Source: Cred Consulting, 2018)

POPULAR INNER WEST PLACES FOR RECREATION

The most popular recreation spaces in the Inner West identified through a range of consultation activities:

- Footpaths, streets and town centres
- Cycle paths
- Bay Run
- Cooks River foreshore path Leichhardt Park Aquatic Centre
- Annette Kellerman Aquatic Centre
- The GreenWay
- Steel Park Private gyms
- Hawthorne Canal/Richard Murden Reserve
- Enmore Park

non types of facility that people visited for recreation in the Inner Wes



Footpaths, streets and town centres (75% at least weekly)



Sporting fields/courts (38% at least weekly)



Children's playgrounds (36% at least weekly)

Figure 19 - Most common types of facility that people used for recreation in the Inner West identified through community engagement completed for the Inner West Recreation Needs Study (Source: Cred Consulting, 2018)





Recreation Needs Study (2018/ 2021)



Easton Park PoM (2010)

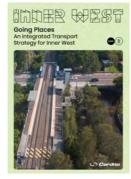
INNER WEST COUNCIL DOCUMENTS



Our Inner West 2036 Community Strategic Plan



Local Strategic Planning Statement (2020)



Going Places: An Integrated Transport Strategy for the Inner West



Draft Inner West Public Domain Design Guide (2021)



Tree Management DCP (2020)

STATE GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS



Government Architect NSW (2020)

Design of roads and streets



Greener Places, Government Architect NSW (2020)





Connecting with Country, Government Architect NSW



Biodiversity in Place, Government Architect NSW NSW Government (2020)



Walking Space Guide,

RELEVANT PROJECTS



Movement and Place Draft Urban Design Framework, TfNSW Guide, DPE (2021)



Sydney Green Grid - Central District, Government Architect NSW (2017)



Rozelle Interchange, Urban Design and Landscape Plan, HASSELL (2020)



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Bays West Draft Place Strategy, NSW Government (2021)

2.2 REVIEW OF CORPORATE **OBJECTIVES AND EXISTING POLICY**

Our Inner West 2036: The Inner West Community Strategic Plan (endorsed by council 06/2022)

This plan identifies the community's vision for the future, outlines long term goals, strategies to get there and how to measure progress towards that vision. It guides all of Council's plans, policies and budgets.

The strategic directions set out are:

- 1. An ecologically Sustainable Inner West
- 2. Liveable, connected neighbourhoods and transport
- 3. Creative communities and a strong economy
- 4. Healthy, resilient and caring communities
- 5. Progressive, responsive and effective civic leadership

Among the stated aims, those which apply directly to the regeneration of public parkland are to increase community satisfaction with: connected natural areas + increased biodiversity, improved health of waterways, public infrastructure which fulfils the needs of diverse communities, safe networks of transport.

Recreation Needs Study - A Healthier Inner West

Cred Consulting for Inner West Council, published 10/2018, (Updated Oct 2021)

This study is an analysis of the current and projected recreation needs of the Inner West community, with a view to both maintaining and improving social and mental health as the population of the Inner West Council (IWC) area continues on its projected path of growth and change.

The study identified that the IWC area lacked sufficient public open space for the growing population. It outlines a strategic 'action' framework and explores how this framework could be applied.

The study undertook extensive engagement with the community to determine both recreational participation within the Inner West as well as comments and suggestions about the quality of public open space within the LGA. These findings form a body of information about community needs and desires for public open space which have informed this Plan of Management and Master Plan.

Other Documents Reviewed:

- Easton Park Plan of Management (former) Leichhardt Council adopted July 2010
- Going Places An Integrated Transport Strategy for Inner West, adopted March 2020
- Local Strategic Planning (2020)
- Draft Inner West Public Domain Design Guide (2021)
- Leichhardt DCP 2013, for Annandale, Balmain, Balmain East, Birchgrove, Camperdown, Leichhardt, Lilyfield, Rozelle (updated 2022,
- Inner West Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan, August 2021
- Inner West Tree Management DCP (2020)
- Inner West Council Public Toilet Strategy, May
- Inner West Council Local Environment Plan 2022

Key findings from these 2 key documents and existing policy on dog exercise areas are provided on the following pages.



2.3 OUR INNER WEST 2036



SD1 - An ecologically sustainable Inner West

- 1. The Inner West community is recognised for its leadership in sustainability and tackling climate
- Provide the community the information, knowledge, and tools for a sustainable Inner West
- Share successes and publicise community and Council achievements in sustainability
- 2. An increasing and resilient network of green corridors provide habitat for plants and animals
- · Maintain and increase Inner West's urban tree canopy
- Manage and improve Inner West's mid and understorey vegetation
- Protect, connect and enhance natural areas, biodiversity corridors and sensitive habitat

1. Development is designed for

Pursue integrated planning

and urban design across

Monitor local development

public and private spaces to

benefit community and local

and ensure it meets leaislative

2. The unique character and heritage

planning and management that

respects heritage, accessibility

and the distinct characters of

of neighbourhoods is retained and

Provide clear and consistent

requirements for safety and

health and wellbeing of the

environment needs

community

enhanced

urban centres

sustainability, net zero and improves

- 3. Waterways are healthy and the community is water-sensitive, treating water as a precious
- Implement water-sensitive policies and projects to improve the health of our waterways
- · Capture and use water from Inner West catchments
- · Identify and plan for river swimming sites
- 4. Air quality is good and air pollution is managed effectively
- Improve air quality through effective regulation and education
- motor vehicle use to reduce exhaust emissions · Minimise air pollution through

policy and regulation

SD2 - Liveable, connected neighbourhoods and transport

accessible, clean and safe

3. Public spaces are welcoming,

public spaces and infrastructure

that fulfil and support diverse

positively to their surrounding

planning controls that retain and

protect existing public and open

4. People have a roof over their head

Increase social, community and

affordable, livable housing with

good amenity, across the Inner

spaces and provision of additional

community needs and life

• Ensure private spaces and

developments contribute

Advocate for and develop

public and open spaces

and a safe, secure place to call

public spaces

Plan, deliver and maintain

· Facilitate alternatives to private

- 5. Inner West is zero emissions. climate adapted and resilient to the changing climate
- Respond to the Climate Emergency and implement the Inner West Climate and Renewables Strategy to mitigate greenhouse gas emissions
- Develop and implement a whole of Council climate adaptation strategy to build resilience to the changing climate
- 6. Inner West is a zero waste community with an active share economy
- Move towards a circular economy to avoid waste, reuse, share and recycle through education, information, projects and initiatives
- Publicise and broaden access to local reuse and recycling infrastructure
- Increase recovery of organic material and provide a food organics recycling service to all households

Encourage diversity of housing

type, tenure and price in new

Assist people who are homeless

· Improve public transport services

that aligns to population growth

· Deliver safe, connected and well-

maintained networks of transport

Provide transport infrastructure

developments

infrastructure

or sleeping rough

5. Public transport is reliable,

accessible and interconnected

6. People walk, cycle and move

ground the Inner West with ease

Manage the road network to

private motor vehicles

Collaborate on innovative,

accessible transport options

increase safety and prioritise

active and public transport over



SD3 - Creative communities and a strong economy

- 1. Creativity and culture are valued and celebrated
- · Create opportunities for all members of the community to participate in arts and culture and • Enable creative and cultural pursue creative lives
- Celebrate and promote awareness of the community's history and heritage
- 2. Inner West remains the engine room of creative industries and services
- Promote the Inner West as a leading destination for creativity including street art, live music and performance
- industries to thrive through targeted investment and support
- Build new content, audiences and professional opportunities through local programs, including for young and emerging creatives
- 3. The local economy is thriving
- · Assist businesses growth, innovation and improvement
- · Encourage new enterprises in Inner West
- 4. Employment is diverse and accessible
- · Manage the strategic future of industrial and employment lands
- · Collaborate with business and industry on social and environmental initiatives



SD4 - Healthy, resilient and caring communities

- 1. The Inner West community is welcoming and connected
- · Celebrate, value and respect the diversity of the Inner West community
- · Foster inclusive communities where everyone can participate in community life
- Address social inequity, obstacles to participation and social exclusion
- 2. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and culture flourish and enrich the Inner West
- · Centre Aboriginal and Torres Strait

- Islander needs and voices at the heart of initiatives, policies and strateaies
- Celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and history
- 3. People have opportunities to participate, and develop their health and wellbeing
- · Provide facilities, spaces and programs that support community health and wellbeing
- Build connected communities and provide opportunities for social participation
- 4. People have access to the services and facilities they need at all stages of life and all abilities
- · Plan and deliver infrastructure and services for the changing population and those with disabilities
- Provide quality children's education and care services to ensure a strong foundation for lifelona learnina
- Provide facilities, resources and activities for lifelong learning
- Improve the quality and use of existing community assets

SD5 – Progressive, responsive and effective civic leadership

- 1. Council is responsive and servicefocused
- Deliver responsive and innovative customer service
- Monitor performance and implement continuous improvement to meet the changing needs of the community
- 2. Council makes responsible decisions to manage finite resources in the best interest of current and future communities
- · Undertake visionary, integrated, long term planning and decision

- making, reflective of community needs and aspirations
- · Ensure probity and responsible, sustainable, ethical and open local government
- Manage public resources to achieve financial sustainability
- 3. People are well informed and actively engaged in local decision making and problem solving
- · Inform communities through multi-channel communications
- · Support local democracy through inclusive participatory community engagement

- · Support evidence-based Council decision-makina
- 4. Partnerships and collaboration are valued and enhance community leadership creating positive change
- · Advocate for emerging community issues
- · Build resilience and capacity of local leaders, groups and communities
- · Work with suppliers to deliver positive outcomes for the community, economy and environment



2.4 RECREATION NEEDS STUDY - A HEALTHIER INNER WEST

Key Findings

A number of findings about recreation within the Inner West are highlighted by the report. These include its benefits and its changing perception and role within society generally. These have assisted in providing a foundation for the strategies and objectives of this Plan of Management and Master Plan. A summary of the key findings includes;

- Participation in recreation brings significant health and social benefits to individuals, including mental health benefits and improved development outcomes for children and young people.
- Recreation provides benefits at the community level, supporting community cohesion and community development and public health benefits.
- A majority of Australians participate in sport or other physical activities at least 3 times a week.
- Nationally, the most popular recreation activities include walking, fitness, swimming, cycling and running, and this is reflected by local participation trends in the Inner West.
- The major change in participation in recreation is a trend to more flexible and non-organised participation.
- Children have declining access to unsupervised participation in recreation activities, with Planet Ark estimating that only 35% of Australian children play outside every day, compared to 72% a generation ago.
- People with disability have lower levels of participation in recreation and are less likely to take part as a spectator.

Open Spaces

This Catchment has excellent access to highquality open spaces, and is above benchmarked demand of open-space provision per person currently, as well as through to 2036.

The study indicates that Rozelle, falling into Catchment 1, has an above average provision of public space per person at 34.4m2 and an expected 32.5m2 per person by 2036.

This Study assumed the delivery of 10 hectares of new open space at the Rozelle Parklands. However, even with the assumed delivery of this new open space, the benchmark for the combined LGA in 2036 declines to 15.4m2 per person by 2026, and 14.3m2 per person in 2036, as stated in this study.

Sporting Capacity

The study indicates the sporting grounds of Easton Park having an optimal capacity of 30 hours of use per week, which ensures a usable surface. The study suggests that the field is being used for 36 hours each week, exceeding it's maximum capacity. The study indicates that it was last upgraded in 2000.

This Catchment also has a good provision of summer and winter sporting fields, with benchmarking indicating no gaps currently, or through to 2036. The Study identified the opportunity to deliver 1-2 multi-purpose synthetic fields as part of the Rozelle Parklands.

Benchmarking indicates that there is existing demand for outdoor multi-purpose courts - with an existing below benchmark provision of 3.9 courts, which will increase to a below benchmark provision of 5.9 courts by 2036.

The Study recommended that access to outdoor multi-purpose courts be provided as part of the Rozelle Interchange Park, or through joint use arrangements with local schools.

By 2036, Catchment 1 North will have a gap of:

- 0 summer sporting fields
- 0 winter sporting fields
- 5.9 outdoor multi-purpose courts
- 0.53 indoor leisure centres (dry)
- 2 indoor multi-purpose courts
- 0 indoor aquatic centres

Objectives

The report found a number of opportunities for improving recreational spaces within the LGA through a needs and gaps analysis. These opportunities were grouped into broad themes.

Key opportunities which relate to the scope of this Plan of Management have been summarised below.

NEED	OPPORTUNITIES
Increased quality of open space to optimise use, address demand and meet higher and more	Multi-use, flexible open space that is designed to support sharing and reduce conflict between users
diverse needs	Targeted embellishment of existing parks, informed by a comprehensive review of all plans of management in the LGA
	Ensure that embellishments align with universal design principles, are inclusive of all abilities and genders, and can be enjoyed by all
Increased access to number of multi-purpose outdoor courts	Multi-purpose sports courts to be provided in Rozelle Parklands (design and delivery by TfNSW)
Well maintained public toilets, water bubblers and bins in parks.	Extend the Inner West Council Public Toilet Strategy, May 2020 recommendation that all residents and visitors be within 400m of a public toilet that is open during daylight hours throughout the LGA.
Picnic and BBQ facilities, seating and shade for informal social gatherings, as well as informal grassed passive recreation areas.	Provide space for social gatherings outside of the home
New facilities in parks including: table tennis tables; outdoor gyms including for seniors, and hard surfaces with shelter for tai chi.	Provide equipment and designated areas for a diverse range of outdoor activities.

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NEED	OPPORTUNITIES
Improving sporting building infrastructure, amenities blocks to increase usability and support safety, and support the participation of women and people with disability in sport.	Improved access paths to Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands to provide safe accessible entry.
Lighting and design of parks to increase (feelings of) safety. Lighting should be fauna-friendly and use sustainable technologies to support environmental outcomes. Improved lighting to support evening and night time recreation opportunities after work hours.	Street lighting around perimeter to connect park with surrounding streets. Lighting in specific areas of park for informal night time use, e.g. dog walking, running paths and areas for informal sport. New light towers around the sporting fields in Rozelle Parklands (design and delivery by TfNSW)
Improved walkable connections to open space and recreation opportunities	Improved connections to Rozelle Parklands and Easton Park from Victoria Road, Lilyfield Road, Rozelle Town Centre. Improved safety and connection for pedestrians and cyclists between Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands
Signage and wayfinding on cycle routes. Safer shared paths, and/or separate bike/pedestrian paths.	Review throughout the LGA. Future Lilyfield Road Cycleway
Cycling infrastructure including end of trip facilities and bike parking.	Cycling infrastructure at connections to public transport and recreation facilities.
Play spaces for older children / young people; Play opportunities for other age groups and abilities.	Expand existing playgrounds to include new equipment - water play, ping pong tables and shade structures.
	Innovative play spaces such as nature play, and adventure play and Bush Tucker Gardens with trails and signage and Community Gardens.
	Include inclusive play equipment in all playgrounds, rather than only in some dedicated inclusive playgrounds.
Increased access to recreation opportunities for older people.	Footpath improvements of paths into the parks. More recreation opportunities for older people. Community gardens
Informal, flexible and social recreation opportunities that cater to a time-poor population.	Improved lighting on streets and in parks to enable night time use including for informal activities.

NEED	OPPORTUNITIES
Inclusive recreation opportunities for people with a disability.	Prioritise accessibility in the upgrades of recreation facilities in parks, for example in new amenities buildings.
	Audit of Council's recreation facilities and parks and whether they are accessible
Inclusive recreation opportunities for people from the LGBTQI+ community	Welcoming bathroom amenities for gender diverse people.
Inclusive recreation opportunities for people from culturally and linguistically diverse	Recreation opportunities located close to public transport and promoted in community languages
backgrounds.	Recreation programs targeting people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds
	Recreation opportunities that reflect popular activities
New off leash dog parks, including dog swimming and water play;	Clarity in signage to enable regulation and enforcement.
Ongoing provision and maintenance of existing dog off leash areas;	Design of parks and playgrounds to minimise conflict e.g. planting borders 10m from playgrounds to identify dog free areas.
Managing and preventing conflicts between users of parks, particularly children and dogs.	New dog on and off leash maps for Easton park and Rozelle Parklands
Better connections to district and regional open space and recreation facilities via linear parks	Improve pedestrian and cycle connections along Lilyfield Road and connecting Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands with the GreenWay
	Enhance street tree canopy cover with new Avenue street tree plantings on Lilyfield Road



2.5 DOGS ON AND OFF LEASH AREAS MAP

The use of Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands for dog walking and exercising is encouraged and recognised by Council as creating a positive sense of community if conducted in a responsible manner. Dog walkers must ensure their dog is under effective control at all times and does not become a nuisance or impede on the enjoyment of other park users.

Dog walkers must clean up and properly dispose their dog's faeces. Although the majority of dog walkers are responsible, uncollected faeces in the off leash area make the park experience less enjoyable. Signage directly within this area reminding owners of their responsibilities and of the need to watch their dogs could be beneficial.

EASTON PARK

Current locations and areas for on and off leash dog exercise are indicated by the map on the next page.

- » Dogs must remain on a leash in eastern end of the park
- » Dogs are permitted off leash on most of the park's lawn area, including the sporting ground when there are no sporting activities taking place
- » Dogs are not permitted in the children's playground.

ROZELLE PARKLANDS

Subject to future care, control and management Council will consider making the parkland off leash when not being utilised for organised sports training or games (as highlighted on page 55 of this Plan of Management).

CURRENT DOGS ON AND OFF LEASH AREAS MAP FOR EASTON PARK



Site boundaryLot boundary

Dogs prohibited
On leash area

Off leash area

Off leash area unless organised sporting activities are taking place





3. CATEGORISATION & OWNERSHIP, STATUTORY CONDITIONS

& LEGISLATION

3.1 LAND TO WHICH THIS PLAN APPLIES

EASTON PARK

Most of the park's area is situated on Crown Land, with Inner West Council appointed as the Crown Land Manager. The reserve number is 500104 which was gazetted on 9 September 1890 for Public Recreation purposes. Lots 70 & 72 DP1254804, located at the eastern end of the park, are owned by Council.

ROZELLE PARKLANDS

The entire land on which the parklands sit is owned by Transport for NSW.

3.2 LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

The content of PoMs is prescribed by legislation that deals with the management of community land and Crown reserves in NSW, as summarised below.

Community Land - Local Government Act 1993

The Local Government Act 1993 (LG Act) provides the legal framework for managing the use and management of public land under Council's care and control.

The LG Act requires the preparation of PoMs for all community land. Together with the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 it provides a specific approach to the classification, categorisation and management of community land.

Public land as defined under the *Local Government Act 1993*, must be classified as either community or operational land.

Community Land is generally public park land set aside for community use. Development and use of this land is subject to strict controls set out in the Act such as Community Land cannot be sold, or leased or licensed for more than 30 years. In addition to these controls, the Act requires councils to have plans of management for all Community lands.

A plan of management places Community Land into categories which impact how they can be used. The Plan must categorise the land from five categories: Natural Area, Area of Cultural Significance, Park, Sports Ground and General Community Use. Community Land is still subject to zoning controls and a plan of management operates as an additional control over that piece of land.

Category	Core Objectives (as defined by the Local Government Act 1993)
PARK	The core objectives for management of community land categorised as a park are: (a) to encourage, promote and facilitate recreational, cultural, social and educational pastimes and activities, and (b) to provide for passive recreational activities or pastimes and for the casual playing of games, and (c) to improve the land in such a way as to promote and facilitate its use to
	(c) to improve the land in such a way as to promote and facilitate its use to achieve the other core objectives for its management.
GENERAL COMMUNITY USE	The core objectives for management of community land categorised as general community use are to promote, encourage and provide for the use of the land, and to provide facilities on the land, to meet the current and future needs of the local community and of the wider public—
	(a) in relation to public recreation and the physical, cultural, social and intellectual welfare or development of individual members of the public, and
	(b) in relation to purposes for which a lease, licence or other estate may be granted in respect of the land (other than the provision of public utilities and works associated with or ancillary to public utilities).
SPORTS GROUND	The core objectives for management of community land categorised as a sportsground are:
	(a) to encourage, promote and facilitate recreational pursuits in the community involving organised and informal sporting activities and games, and
	(b) to ensure that such activities are managed having regard to any adverse impact on nearby residences.

Crown Lands Act 1989

The NSW Crown Lands Act 1989 (CLA) was established to ensure that Crown land is managed to the benefit of the people of NSW through management, development and conservation that is consistent with the principles of Crown land management, as defined by the Act. The CLA also regulates the conditions under which Crown land is permitted to be occupied, used, sold, leased or licensed.

Crown Lands Management Act 2016

The Crown Lands Management Act 2016 (CLMA), together with the Crown Land Legislation Amendment Act 2017 implements reforms identified through the comprehensive review of Crown land management.

Once enacted, the CLMA will allow Councils to manage Crown land under the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1993* (LGAct) in respect of public land. It is expected that Crown reserves managed by councils will generally be classified as community land and categorised under the LGAct, with the Minister for Lands' approval.



Native Title Act 1993

The Commonwealth Native Title Act 1993 may affect use of Crown land, particularly development and granting of tenure. Under the CLMA, Council is required to obtain written advice from an accredited native title manager on the compliance with any applicable provisions of the native title legislation regarding Council's dealing and activities on Crown land.

Local Planning Control

The Inner West Local Environmental Plan 2022 (LEP) has been in force since 12 August 2022 which applies to the entire LGA. The LEP has zoned majority of lands covered by this PoM in the RE1 Public Recreation with a few exceptions.

Development or uses that are authorised in the PoM may still require a development consent granted pursuant to the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

Easton Park is listed as on of the Heritage Conservation Areas in the *Inner West Local Environmental Plan 2022 (LEP)*. The use and development of heritage conservation area will be regulated by Development Control Plans and/ or more specific Conservation Management Plans and may require consent.

Other Relevant Legislation and Policies

Legislation and policies that are highly relevant to the subject lands are listed as follows.

Federal Telecommunications Act 1997

The Federal Telecommunications Act 1997 permits carriers to enter land to install and maintain low-impact facilities without authorisation in a Plan of Management. Carriers are required to give prior written notice to the owner and occupier of the land before proceeding with the works.

State Government Legislation and Policies

- Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979
- State Environmental Planning Policies (SEPPs)
- Companion Animals Act 1998
- Disability Discrimination Act 1992
- Heritage Act 1977
- Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997
- Waste Minimisation Act 1995
- Pesticides Act 1999
- Retail Leases Act 1994
- Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995
- Water Management Act 2000
- Coastal Management Act 2016
- Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016.

Inner West Council Planning Instruments and Policies

- Our Inner West 2036: The Inner West Community Strategic Plan 2022
- Recreation Needs Study: A Healthier Inner West 2021
- Community Assets Needs Strategy 2021
- Inner West Local Environmental Plan 2022
- Inner West Comprehensive Development Control Plan (DCP) 2016
- Leichhardt Development Control Plan 2013
- Our Place Inner West: Local Strategic Planning Statement 2020
- Zero Waste Strategy 2021-2036
- Going Places: An Integrated Transport Strategy for the Inner West 2020

- Creative Inner West: Cultural Strategy 2022-2025
- Community Garden Policy 2020
- Dog Off-Leash Areas in Parks Policy 2019
- Events in Parks Policy 2018
- Events in Parks Guidelines 2018
- Land and Property Policy 2019
- Weed Management Policy 2019
- Inner West Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan 2021
- Inclusion Action Plan (for People with a Disability) 2017-21
- Public Toilet Strategy 2022.



3.3 LAND ZONING, OWNERSHIP AND CATEGORISATION

EASTON PARK

ZONING

Inner West LEP 2022: RE1 'Public Recreation'

LOTS AND LAND OWNERSHIP IN EASTON PARK



- Lot boundary
 Inner West Council land Community Land
 Crown land Community Land
- ① Lot 10 DP1254705 ② Lot 70 & 72 DP1254804

#	Identifier	Registered	Ownership,	Existing Major Features	Area
		Property Address	Categorisation		(m²)
1	Lot 10	Denison Street	Crown land. Crown Reserve	Sports ground, cricket pitch, cricket	19841
	DP1254705	Rozelle 2039	R500104; Sports ground and	nets, basketball half-court, amenities	
			General Community Use	building, Rozelle Sewage Pumping Station	
				playground, fig tree planting and lawn	
2	Lot 70 & 72	67 Lilyfield Road	Inner West Council; General	Tree planting and lawn	538.7
	DP1254804	Rozelle 2039	Community Use		

LAND CATEGORISATION



Note: The sports ground in Easton Park is used for winter soccer training and organised competition soccer on the weekends. In summer, organised sporting use is predominately cricket. Short term licenses are issued for sporting use, refer Section 4.5 Future Leases and Licences for details.

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ZONING

SEPP (Precincts - Eastern Harbour City) 2021

LOTS AND LAND OWNERSHIP IN ROZELLE PARKLANDS



- ③ Lot 17 DP255297
- 4 Lot 1 DP82619
- ⑤ Lot 2 DP63209
- 6 Lot 1 DP86948
- 9 Part Lot 7 DP1001928
- 10 Part Lot 108 DP1203811
- 11) Lot 22-24, part lot 25 DP863385

LOTS AND LAND	OWNERSHIP IN ROZELLE PARKLANDS

#	Identifier	Registered	Ownership,	Existing Major Features	Area
		Property Address	Classification		(m²)
1	Part Lot 24	Lilyfield Road	Transport for NSW	Yarning circle, outdoor gym, playground,	85025.4
	DP1194941	Lilyfield 2040		constructed wetland, sporting ground,	
				shared path and ventilation stacks	
2	Lot 4-7, 9-10, 13	92-94 Lilyfield	Transport for NSW	Shared path and lawn	1310.1
	DP255297	Road Rozelle			
		2039			
3	Lot 17 DP255297	Lilyfield Road	Transport for NSW	Shared path and lawn	748.7
		Rozelle 2039			
4	Lot 1 DP82619	80-84 Lilyfield	Transport for NSW	Shared path and lawn	4829.7
		Road Rozelle			
		2039			
5	Lot 2 DP63209	80-84 Lilyfield	Transport for NSW	Retained heritage terrace	498.4
		Road Rozelle			
		2039			
6	Lot 1 DP86948	78 Lilyfield Road	Transport for NSW	Retained heritage terrace	295
		Rozelle 2039			
7	Lot 1 DP746891	68-76 Lilyfield	Transport for NSW	Public toilets, ventilation building and	5272.3
		Road Rozelle		lawn	
		2039			
8	Part Lot 13	Brenan Street	Transport for NSW	Sporting ground and lawn	20865.1
	DP1226940	Lilyfield 2040			
9	Part Lot 7	The Crescent	Transport for NSW	Sporting ground	5488.2
	DP1001928	Rozelle 2039			
10	Part Lot 108	The Crescent	Transport for NSW	Lawn and elevated shared path	8937.8
	DP1203811	Rozelle 2039			
11	Lot 22-24, part	The Crescent	Transport for NSW	Elevated shared path	606.2
_	lot 25 DP863385	Rozelle 2039			
			#1_11 all Unclassified		

#1-11 all Unclassified

3.4 PARK CONDITION

Lot boundary

Sports

Playgrounds
Fence

Buildings and structures

EASTON PARK



	Use of land or structure (on adoption of the PoM)	Condition of the land or structure (on adoption of the PoM)	Future Condition (targeted following adoption of PoM)
1	Amenities building	Poor	Good - replace and maintain
2	Sewage pump building	Fair	Fair - maintain
3	Sports ground	Good	Good - maintain
4	Cricket nets	Good	Good - maintain
5	Basketball half-court	Good	Good - maintain
6	Playground	Fair	Good - upgrade and maintain
7	Fence	Very Poor	Good - replace and maintain
8	Low planting in general	Poor	Good - upgrade and maintain

8 Planting

② Sewage pump building

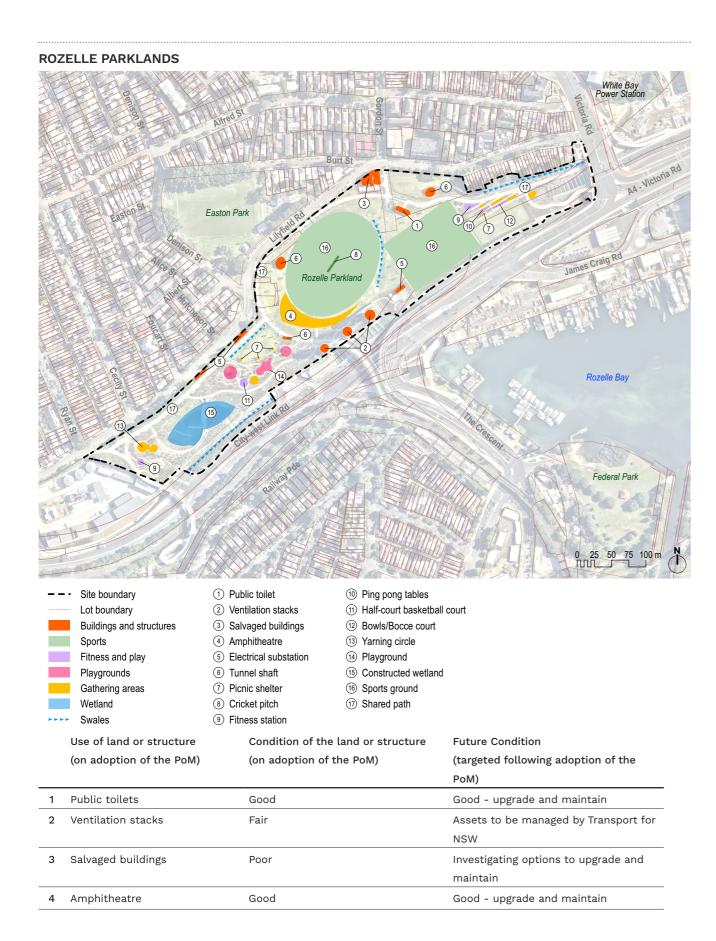
3 Sporting ground4 Cricket nets

6 Playground

5 Basket ball half-court

Area / Item	Purposes for which land or buildings are allowed to be used	Purpose for which further development of land will be permitted	Scale and intensity of permitted use
Amenities building	Storage for play equipment and nets; public toilets; change facilities.	Opportunity to demolish and relocate existing amenities building. Possible kiosk to operate under licence arrangement.	Refer to Master Plan.
Sports ground	Organised and informal recreation and sporting activities; off-leash dog exercise in accordance with this PoM.	n/a	Refer to Master Plan. To be consistent with existing Council policy relating to sports field management and evening training use including lighting.
Cricket nets & Basketball half-court	Organised and informal recreation and sporting activities.	n/a	Refer to Master Plan. To be consistent with existing Council policy relating to sports field management and evening training use including lighting.
Open space	Continue use for informal recreation, playground and off-leash dog exercise in accordance with this PoM.	Opportunities for further development of land including general park furniture and landscape improvements including new paths and decking area; improvement and expansion of the playground and equipment; a community garden.	Refer to Master Plan.





5	Electrical substation	Good	Assets to be managed by Transport for NSW
6	Tunnel shaft	Good	Assets to be managed by Transport for
			NSW
7	Picnic shelter	Good	Good - maintain
8	Cricket pitch	Good	Good - maintain or upgrade
9	Fitness station	Good	Good - upgrade and maintain
10	Ping pong tables	Good	Good - maintain
11	Half-court basketball court	Good	Good - maintain
12	Bowls/ bocces court	Good	Good - maintain
13	Yarning circle	Good	Good - upgrade and maintain
15	Playground	Good	Good - upgrade and maintain
16	Constructed wetland	Fair	Assets to be managed by Transport for
			NSW
17	Shared Path	Good	Good - upgrade and maintain
18	Low planting in general	Fair	Good - upgrade and maintain
19	Screen planting in general	Fair	Good - upgrade and maintain
20	Tree planting in general	Fair	Good - upgrade and maintain

For detailed existing park condition, site issues and design opportunities, refer *Appendix A - Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands Site Analysis Report*.





4. LEASES AND LICENCES

4.1 OVERVIEW

The Local Government Act allows council to grant leases, licences or undertake works over all or part of Community Land.

Where exclusive control of all or part of an area or facility is proposed or desirable, a lease is appropriate. There are also other factors which may influence the granting of a lease. These include the level or scale of investment, the necessity for security measures and the relationship between the activity on the land and the activity of the controller of the land.

The activities undertaken by a leaseholder should be compatible with any zoning or Council requirements and provide benefits and services or facilities for the users of the land. Terms and conditions of a lease should reflect the interest of the Council, protect the public and ensure proper management and maintenance.

Where short term, intermittent or non-exclusive occupation or control of all or part of an area or facility is proposed, a licence may be used. Providing there are no conflicts of interest, several licences may apply concurrently.

In considering whether to grant any lease or licence, Council should take into account the consistency of the proposal with the values and management strategies of this Plan of Management, particularly with regard to the following:

- The Lessee/Licensee is responsible for ensuring the area is maintained to a standard which is acceptable to Council.
- There is a need to define the times the land or facility will be available for use by the Lessee/Licensee, the impact of the lease/ licence on the public/private space use of the Parks, the impact on maintaining the Parks as one cohesive open space.
- The Plan of Management for Rozelle Parklands and Easton Park allows for the provision of leases and licences in accordance with the Local Government

Act 1993, and any subsequent legislation. Future leases and licences will be authorised consistent with this Plan of Management, the *Inner West Council Local Environment Plan* (2022) and any other applicable legislation. Any licences for biodiversity works are permitted.

4.2 WHAT ARE LEASES AND LICENCES?

- A lease is a contract between the land owner, and another entity granting to that entity an exclusive right to occupy, use or control an area for a specified time.
- A licence allows multiple non exclusive use of an area. Short term licences and bookings may be used to allow the best overall use of an area.
- Council's leasing and licensing is governed by its Land and Property Policy.

4.3 AUTHORISATION OF LEASES AND LICENCES

The Local Government Act 1993 (LG Act) requires a lease or licence of community land be authorised by a Plan of Management (PoM). The lease or licence must be for a purpose consistent with core objectives of its categorisation and zoning of the land.

The maximum period for a lease or licence is 21 years if granted by Council or 30 years if granted by Council with the consent of the Minister for Local Government.

This PoM expressly authorises Inner West Council as land manager of Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands to grant leases and licences for the purposes and uses which are identified or consistent with those in Table 1.01 and Table 1.02. The leases and licences authorised on this land align with original gazetted purpose of "Public Recreation".

Leases and licences for the use of an area of land need to permissible under this PoM, the LG Act, the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, the Inner West Council LEP 2022, and pursuant to a development consent if required.

Any proposed lease or licence for more than 5 years must be by tender unless it is to a non-profit organisation.

Any proposed lease, licence other than short term or casual public notice must be given and be in accordance with section 47 of the Act.

4.4 CURRENT LEASES AND LICENCES

None currently in place in Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands.

4.5 FUTURE LEASES AND LICENCES

This Plan of Management expressly authorises Inner West Council to grant leases and licences of Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands for the purposes and uses which are identified or consistent with those in the following tables.

	Type of arrangement/ categorisation and facilities	Purpose for which licencing/ leasing will be granted
	Licence: Sports Grounds	Organised sport including but not limited to soccer, rugby, cricket, oz tag
	Licence: Sports Grounds	School and community group recreation and education use
	Licence: General Community Use Building	 Seasonal Licences Sporting club and associated uses including but not limited to kiosk and storage.
	Licence: Park	School and community group recreation and education use

Type of arrangement/ categorisation and facilities	Purpose for which up to 12 month licence will be granted
Licence: Sports Grounds	Short-term licence/seasonal licence:
	 Sporting club and associated uses including but not limited to kiosk and storage Sporting fixtures and
	events
	 Uses reasonably associated with the promotion or enhancement of sporting groups, fixtures and events
	 Use as per the sporting ground allocations policy; school use: Tuesday - Friday, 9am - 3pm;
	 All ages training: Tuesday - Friday, 4.30pm - 9pm;
	 All ages games: Saturday 8am - 5pm + Sunday, 9am - 5pm
Licence: Sports Grounds	School and community group recreation and education use
Licence: Sports Grounds	Commercial fitness trainers
Licence: Park	School and community group recreation and

education use



Type of arrangement/ categorisation

Purpose for which up to 12 month licence will be granted

Licence: Park

- Delivering a public address
- Public performances
- Picnics and private celebrations such as weddings and family gatherings
- Conducting a commercial photography session
- Filming including film/ television
- Community events and festivals
- Playing a musical instrument or singing for fee or reward
- Advertising
- Catering
 - Community, training or education
- Environmental protection, conservation or restoration or environmental studies
- Exhibitions
- Functions
- Hiring of equipment
- Meetings
- Outdoor cinema
- Site investigations
- Sporting and organised recreational activities
- Storage
- Emergency purposes including training

4.6 SPORTS GROUND, COURT AND LIGHTING TIMES

Day	Sports ground Club Training Times	Multi- purpose Court Usage times
Monday	Rest Day for field	7am- 9.30pm
Tuesday	4.30pm- 9pm	7am- 9.30pm
Wednesday	4.30pm- 9pm	7am- 9.30pm
Thursday	4.30pm- 9pm	7am- 9.30pm
Friday	4.30pm- 9pm	7am- 9.30pm
Saturday	8am- 5pm	8am- 9.30pm
Sunday	9am- 5pm	8am- 9.30pm

Sports ground lights to be turned off no later than 9.15pm Tues - Fri.

No lights to sports ground Saturday to Monday inclusive.





5. MASTER PLAN STRATEGIES

5.1 OVERVIEW

The key objectives outline a broad vision for the future of Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands. They have been derived from the opportunities and constraints outlined in the Site Analysis (Appendix A) and Community Engagement Outcomes (Appendix B). They have also been informed through a precedent study of successful local, national and international parkland projects.

The key strategies in the next section offer practical measures for how these key objectives can be implemented within Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands.

The proposed methods of performance assessment for each of the strategies listed may be one, some or all of the following practical measures:

- Assessment of success through observation by Council staff generally
- The monitoring of use of implemented aspects of the Master Plan by Council staff
- Implementation of visitor surveys
- Assessment of success through observation and feedback of maintenance staff
- Monitoring use of particular areas by park wardens and/ or CCTV
- For new lighting and buildings: Assessment of energy consumption rates and projected life cycle energy consumption
- Assessment through observation by Council ecologists
- Assessment through consultation with key user groups, licence and lease holders.

KEY OBJECTIVES

ACCESS, INCLUSIVENESS & SAFETY

- 1. Improve access around and within Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands.
- 2. Ensure that both parks and their assets are accessible, welcoming and safe for all visitors.
- 3. Provide facilities which cater for a diverse range of ages, abilities and interests.

SENSE OF PLACE & COMMUNITY

- Emphasise the unique features and stories of the parks to foster community cohesion and a shared identity.
- 2. Provide high quality furniture and facilities.
- 3. Ensure continuous endeavour in community engagement.
- 4. Ensure continuous maintenance of existing park assets.

SUSTAINABILITY

- 1. Promote ecological sustainability and enhance biodiversity.
- 2. Optimise and consolidate storm-water strategy.
- 3. Embed ease of maintenance and material longevity.

SPORTS & RECREATION

- 1. Address the demand for sports facilities, amenities and playgrounds.
- 2. Facilitate sports and exercise for all.
- 3. Ensure a balance between sports activities and general community use of the parks while maintaining the sports and recreation facilities.



5.2 MASTER PLAN STRATEGIES

ACCESS, INCLUSIVENESS & SAFETY

Key Objectives

- Improve access around and within Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands.
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Master Plan Strategies

LILYFIELD ROAD

- Strengthen the connection between Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands through Fig Tree Avenue planting on Lilyfield Road.
- Install raised pedestrian crossings at Easton Park entry and at Ryan Street to provide safe access to and between Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands.
- Reduce the speed limit on Lilyfield Road to 40 km/h to enhance safety and create a more welcoming environment for pedestrians and cyclists.
- Increase parking capacity along Lilyfield Road
- New coach drop-off areas on Lilyfield Road and on Bayview Crescent.
- New speed humps on Lilyfield Road and Denison Street.
- Reclaim excessive road space for additional pedestrian space.
- Future Lilyfield Road Cycleway connecting to the GreenWay and the Bay Run.
- New footpath on southern side of Lilyfield Road from Denison Street to Ryan Street.
- Future separated cycleway on Gordon Street (from *Draft Rozelle Town Centre Master Plan*).
- New roundabout at Lilyfield Road/Denison Street intersection

EASTON PARK

- Upgrade the main entry points to Easton Park with signage, landscaping, seating and bike parking.
- Install new garden beds as barriers to prevent pedestrians from crossing Lilyfield Road at unsafe locations.
- Enhance views and improve visual connectivity with Rozelle Parklands by

- relocating the amenities block.
- New amenity block to address CPTED considerations.
- New internal pathways to enhance access and connectivity within the park.
- Upgrade and expand existing playground towards park entrance and include inclusive, adventure play elements and water play.
- Upgrade and rationalise existing seats, picnic sets, bollards and bubblers. Provide new bike parking, DDA picnic tables and BBQ facilities.
- New wayfinding and interpretive signages to be designed and placed in line with the guidance provided in the *Inner West Public Domain* Signage Manual.
- · Revised map of dog on and off leash area.
- A new lighting plan is required to facilitate use before and after daylight hours.

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- Relocate the park entrance to align with the new raised pedestrian crossing.
- Enhance safety for all users on shared path.
 The separation of pedestrian and cyclist paths by linemarking creates a false sense of security and increases the risk of conflicts and accidents. Consider future opportunities to introduce soft planting or other suitable median to further separate the pedestrian and cycle path
- · New cyclist dismount markings on footpath
- Install new garden beds as barriers to prevent pedestrians from crossing Lilyfield Road at unsafe locations.
- Provide a second toilet block near the playground (design and delivery by TfNSW).
- Provide additional BBQ facilities and DDA table sets at Rail Gardens and additional seatings overlooking wetlands.
- · Connect Yarning Circles to adjacent footpath.
- Improve access over existing turfed swales.
- · New map of dog on and off leash area.





Fig Tree Avenue

Raised pedestrian crossing

Entry signage and seating wall



Soft planting median for shared path



New wayfinding and interpretive signages



Planting to deter unsafe crossing



Access over swales



Off leash dog exercise area



Inclusive play elements



EASTON PARK PROPOSED DOG ON AND OFF LEASH MAP

Proposed locations and areas for on and off leash dog exercise are indicated by the map below.

- » New dedicated dog off leash area in eastern end of the park
- » Dogs are permitted off leash on most of the park's lawn area, including the sporting ground when there are no sporting activities taking place
- » Dogs are not permitted in the children's playground.



ROZELLE PARKLANDS PROPOSED DOG ON AND OFF LEASH MAP

Proposed locations and areas for on and off leash dog exercise are indicated by the map below.

- » Dogs are permitted off leash on most of the park's lawn area, including the sporting ground when there are no sporting activities taking place
- » Dogs must be on leash on the shared path and footpath, at outdoor gym area, Rail Gardens and the outdoor area around the potential repurposed heritage terraces
- » Dogs are not permitted in the children's playground, constructed wetlands and multi-purpose sports courts.



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SENSE OF PLACE & COMMUNITY

Key Objectives

- 1. Emphasise the unique features and stories of the parks to foster community cohesion and a shared identity.
- 2. Provide high quality furniture and facilities.
- 3. Ensure continuous endeavour in community engagement.
- 4. Ensure continuous maintenance of existing park assets.

Master Plan Strategies

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- Incorporate heritage interpretation into the design of the new park entrance, amenities block and playground to celebrate Easton Park's heritage significance.
- Recognise Indigenous heritage and embed Dharug/Wangal language, narratives and artworks into place names and placemaking.
- Establish community gardens and bush tucker gardens within the park with educational signages.
- New amenity block to echo the design languages used in Rozelle Parklands
- A new decking are overlooking the sporting field is proposed with BBQ facilities and DDA tables for gathering.
- Replace degraded fences around Sewer Pumping Station and along Denison Street Parking.
- Opportunity for pop-up cafes and market stalls to provide convenient refreshment options for park visitors and support local businesses.
- Ensure that signage adheres to the design guidance in the *Inner West Public Domain Signage Manual*.
- A new public art initiative is required to celebrate the park's identity

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 Council advocate to the NSW Government the repurposing of the two terraces houses on Lilyfield Road for uses which are consistent with the use of the parkland at no cost to Council. Potential uses may include a combination of the following: cafe, restaurant or pub with outdoor dining, childcare centre, community centre, bike hub and more.

- Maintain or frame city views to celebrate the park's location.
- Recognise Indigenous heritage and embed Dharug/Wangal language, narratives and artworks into place names and placemaking.
- Incorporate interpretive signages of Rozelle Railyards' past.
- Incorporate educational signages for native plants around playgrounds and yarning circles.
- Ensure that new signage adheres to the design guidance in the *Inner West Public Domain*Signage Manual.
- A new public art initiative is required to celebrate the park's identity.



Indigenous narrative and artworks

Design language for new amenity block at Easton Park



Decking for BBQ area or outdoor dining area



Opportunity for pop-up cafes and markets







Bush Tucker Garden with educational signages

SUSTAINABILITY

Key Objectives

- 1. Promote ecological sustainability and enhance biodiversity.
- 2. Optimise and consolidate storm-water strategy.
- 3. Embed ease of maintenance and material longevity.

Master Plan Strategies

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- Establish a Fig Tree Avenue on Lilyfield Road to combat urban heat and provide shade for new parking.
- · Retain and protect existing trees.
- · Aerial bundling overhead power lines around matured trees.
- Undergrounding overhead power lines around newly planted or proposed trees
- Introducing a diverse plant palette to enhance biodiversity within the park for both existing and additional garden beds.
- · Introduce a community gardens and a bush tucker plant learning garden near the playground.
- · Retain natural turf sports ground.
- Ensuring the material palette aligns with the Inner West Draft Public Domain Design Guide to provide longevity and ease of maintenance. Opportunity to reuse salvaged site material.
- Ensure the planting palette consists of species that are resilient and generally low maintenance.

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- More shade trees to mitigate urban heat island effect.
- Retain natural turf sports ground.
- Provide screen planting or evergreen vines to mitigate noise and views of traffic on City-
- Implement Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) treatments to increase the park's overall permeability and improve stormwater infiltration.
- Retain and protect existing trees.
- Encourage diversity in plant genus to increase biodiversity and provide habitats for wildlife.



Retain natural turf for sports ground













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SPORTS & RECREATION

Key Objectives

- 1. Address the demand for sports facilities, amenities and playgrounds.
- 2. Facilitate sports and exercise for all.
- 3. Ensure a balance between sports activities and general community use of the parks while maintaining the sports and recreation facilities.

Key Strategies to achieve in the Master Plan

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- Retain natural turf surface of the sports ground which is utilised by the community for general recreation and as off leash dog area unless organised sports activities are taking place.
- Provide football goal nets storage in appropriate and safe location.
- Upgrade and expand existing playground towards park entrance and include shade structure, inclusive and adventure play elements and water play.
- Introduce a community gardens or a bush tucker plant learning garden near the playground.
- · Provide a dedicated dog-off leash area.

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- New amenity block to include change rooms and storage facilities (design and delivery by TfNSW).
- New multi-purpose sports courts (design and delivery by TfNSW).
- New shade structure for outdoor gym, playgrounds and hammocks.
- Natural turf option for the existing cricket wicket.
- Amphitheatre area includes permissible uses to allow for additional temporary seating, staging and storage to support cultural events
- Sports ground lighting upgraded to support cultural and live music events.
- · Option for picket fence around the oval.
- Option for a second cricket nets next to the new multi-purpose sports courts in addition to the one at Easton Park.
- A drainage review is required to improve drainage around the sports ground.



Outdoor events at the Amphitheatre

Night time use of sports ground





Multi-purpose sports court

Growing and harvesting







Nature playgroun

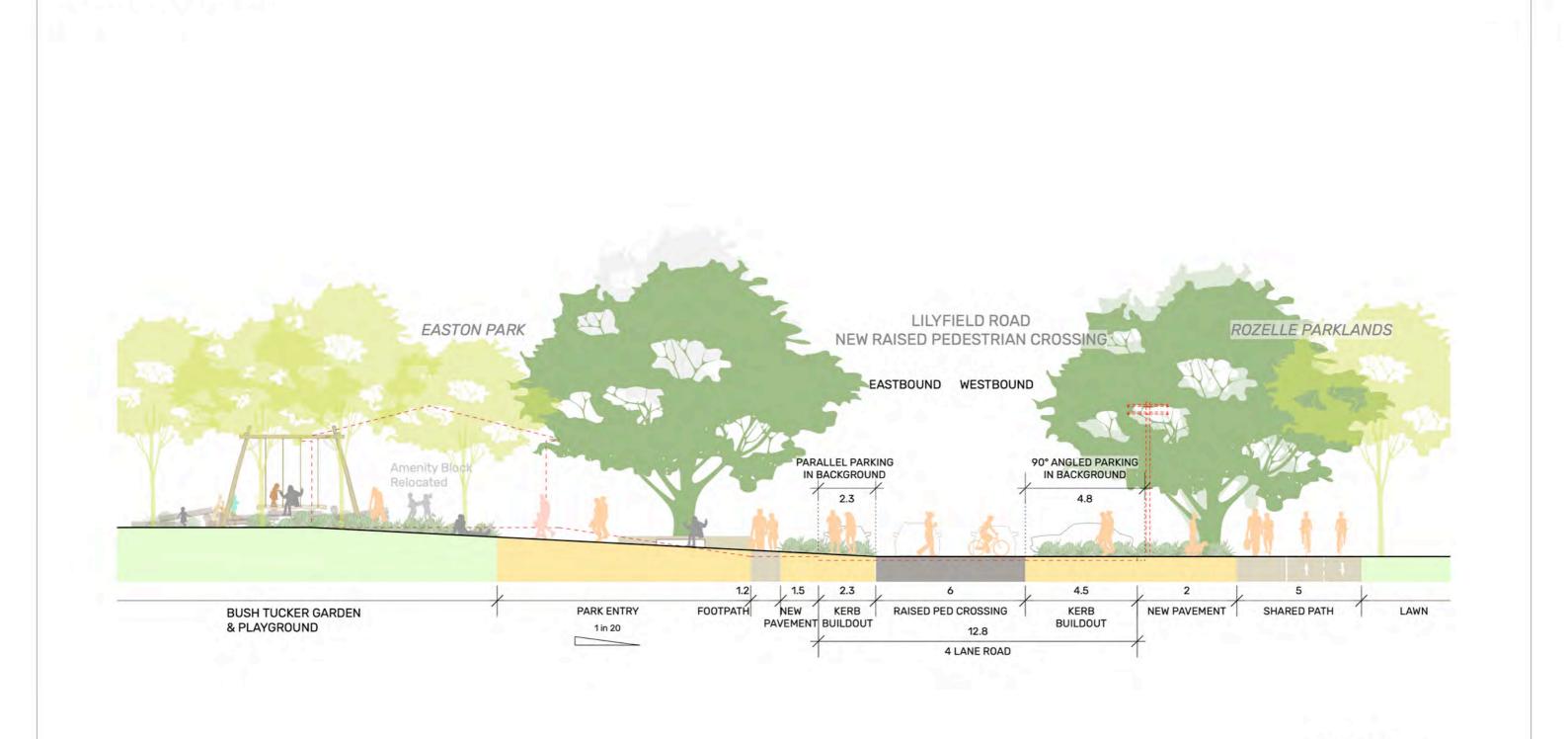


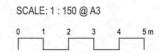
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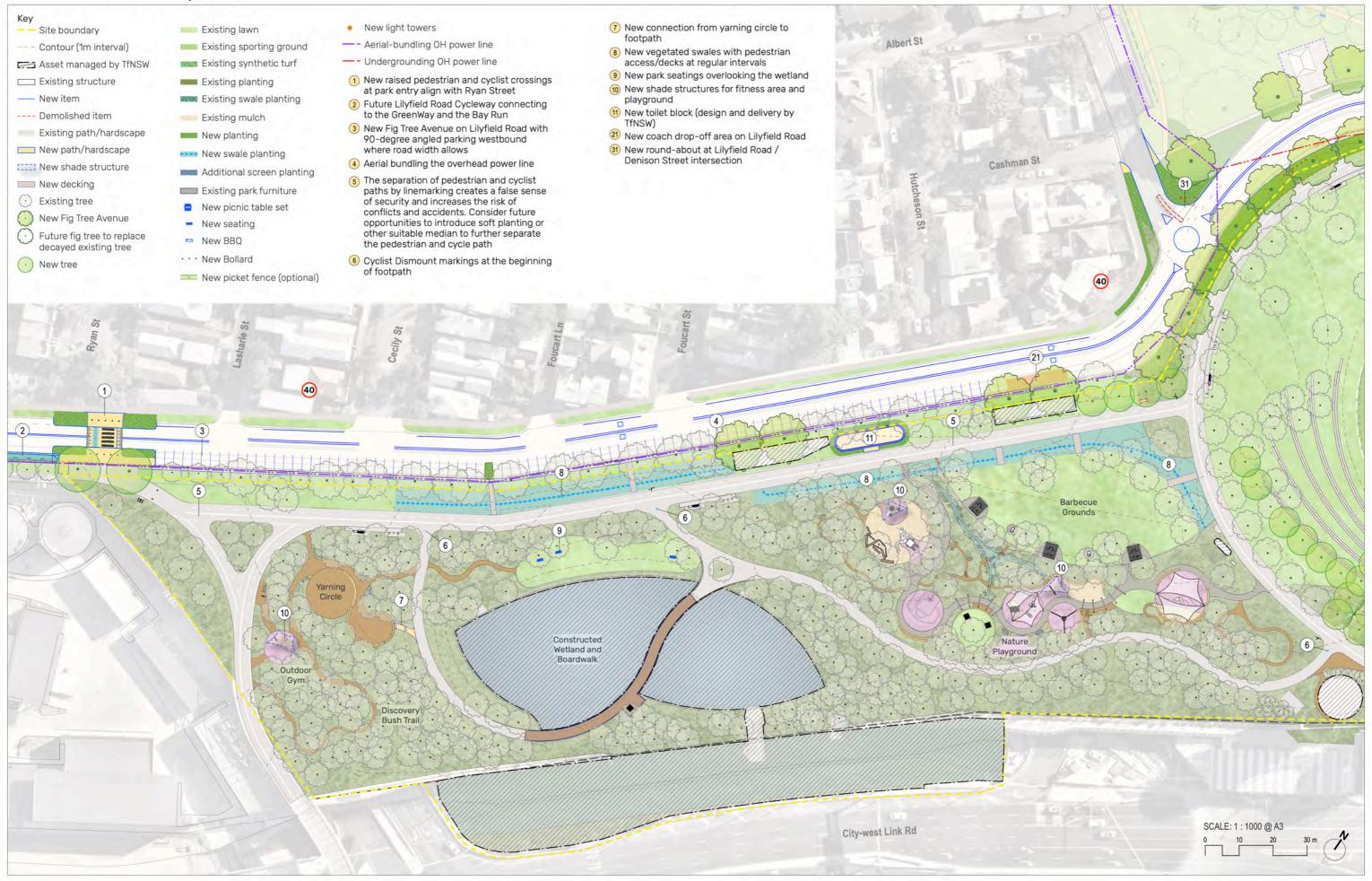
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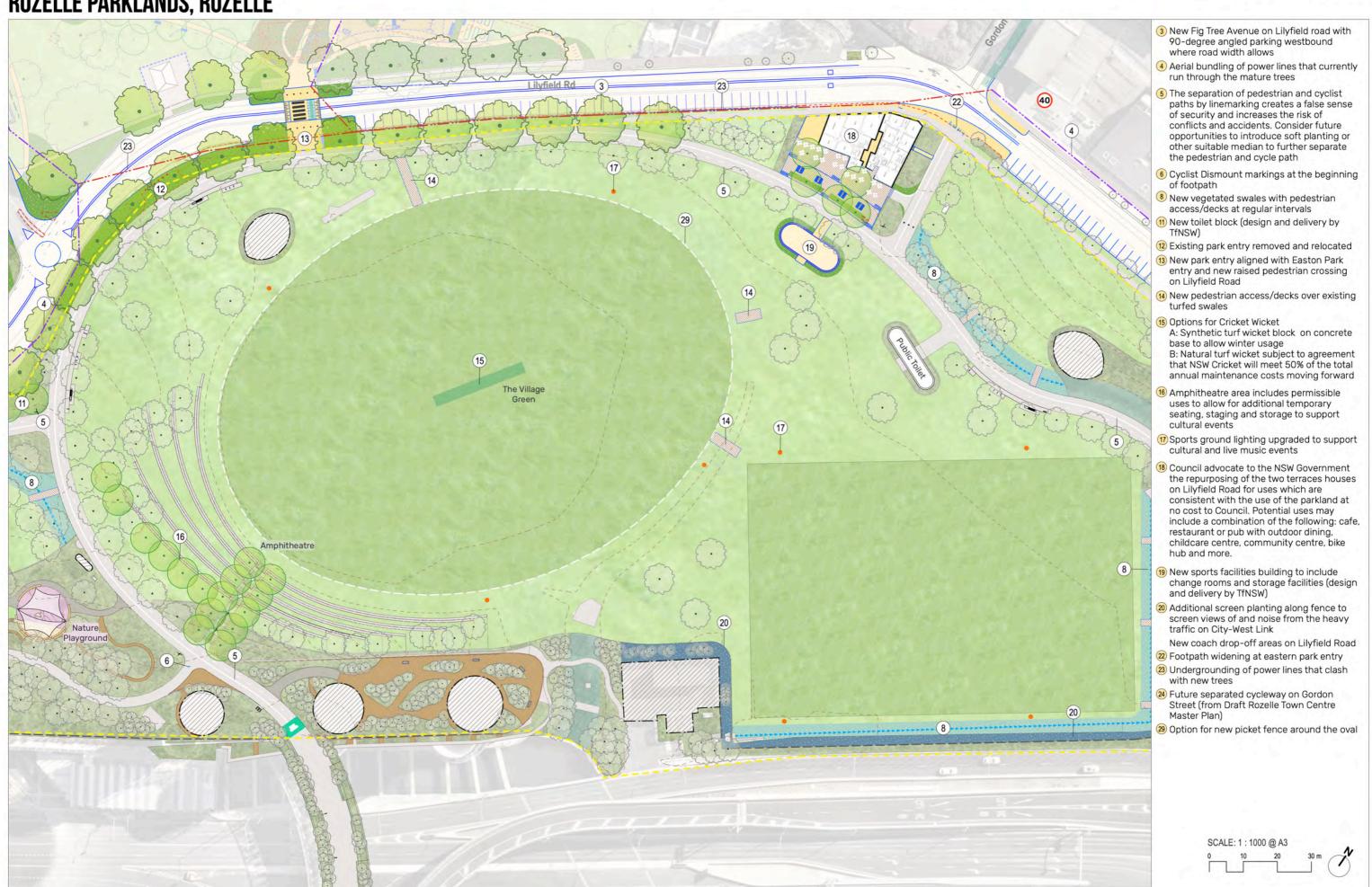
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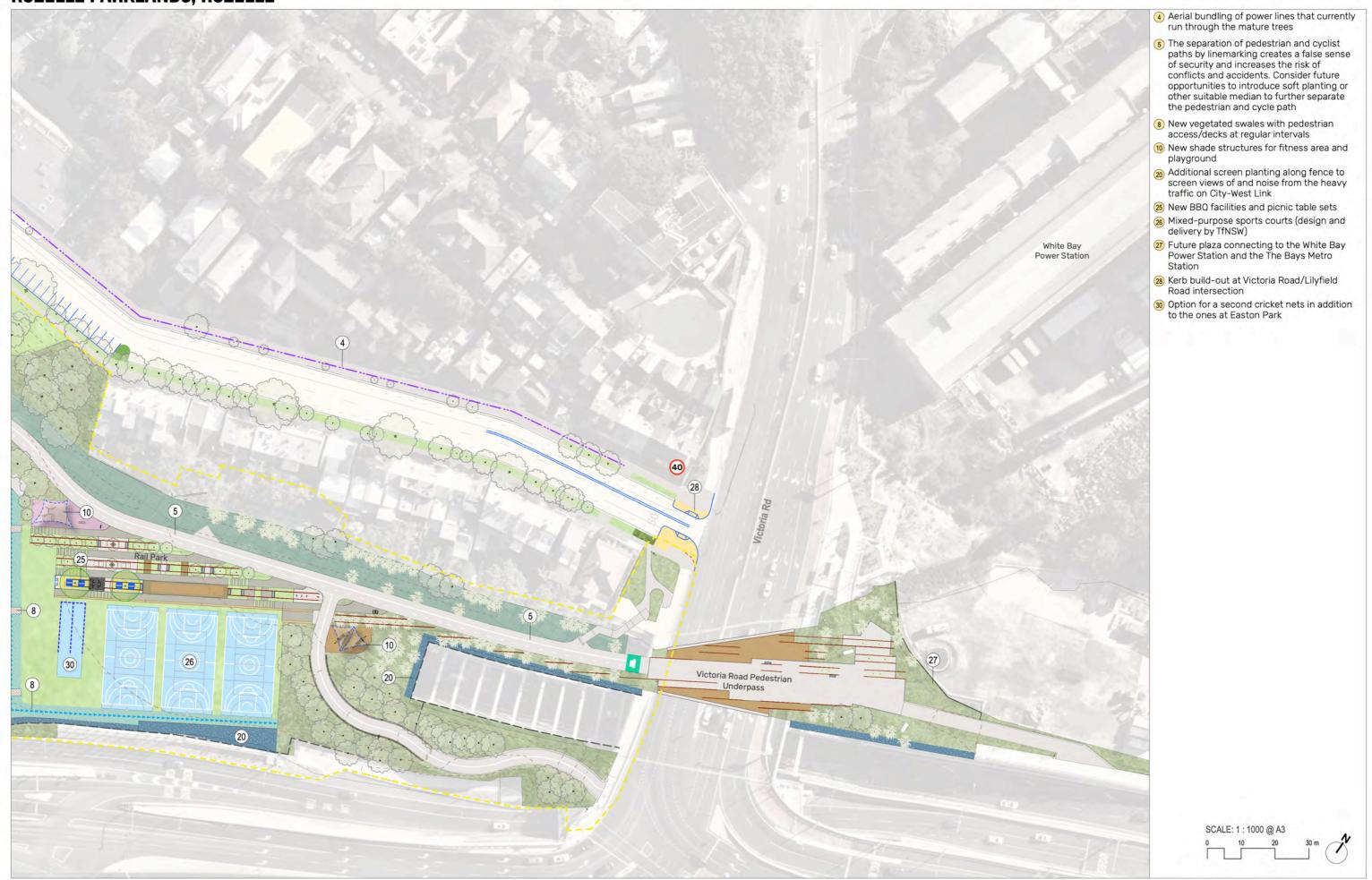
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7. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

The Action Plan below identifies management objectives, strategies and associated actions and priorities. The actions aim to:

- Improve the Park;
- Repair past damage;
- Prevent further degradation;
- Maintain and enhance the amenity of the area:
- · Continuously improve and maintain facilities;
- Manage the planned sharing of the Park by organisations involved in passive and active recreation; and
- Preserve the Parks as places for relaxation, passive recreation and places of cultural and heritage values.

The implementation of the actions in will be coordinated on a yearly basis in accordance with the assigned priorities. These priorities are linked to the following time frames:

- High: Commence within the next 2 years
- Medium: Commence in 2 5 years
- · Low: Commence after 5 years

It should be recognised, however, that the commencement and completion of the actions will be dependent on available Council resources and funding and on Council priorities in its yearly program. The priority of each action will need to be reassessed annually to determine its continuing relevance.

LILYFIELD ROAD ACTION PLAN

Key Objectives	Actions	Priority
ACCESS, INCLUSIVENESS & SAI	FETY	
Improve access around and	New Fig Tree Avenue planting	Н
within Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands.	2 x new raised pedestrian crossings at Easton Park entry and at Ryan Street	Н
	Reduce the speed limit to 40 km/h	Н
	New 90-degree parking	Н
	New coach drop-off areas	Н
	New speed humps on Lilyfield Road and Denison Street	Н
	Reclaim excessive road space for additional pedestrian space	М
	Future Lilyfield Road Cycleway connecting to the GreenWay and the Bay Run	М
	New footpath on southern side of Lilyfield Road from Denison Street to Ryan Street	Н
	Future separated cycleway on Gordon Street (from Draft Rozelle Town Centre Master Plan)	М
	New roundabout at Lilyfield Road/Denison Street intersection	Н

EASTON PARK ACTION PLAN

Ke	y Objectives	Actions	Priority
AC	CESS, INCLUSIVENESS & SAF	ETY	
1.	Improve access around and within Easton Park and Rozelle Parklands.	Upgrade the main entries to Easton Park	М
		New garden beds to deter unsafe crossings	Н
2.	Ensure that both parks and their assets are accessible, welcoming and safe for all visitors.	Demolish and relocate the amenity block	М
		New internal pathways	М
		Upgrade and expand existing playground	М
3.	Provide facilities which cater for a diverse range of ages, abilities and interests.	Upgrade and rationalise park furniture	М
0.		New wayfinding signages	М
		Revised dog on and off leash policy	М
		New lighting plan	M
SE	NSE OF PLACE & COMMUNIT	Y	'
1.	Emphasise the unique features and stories of the parks to foster community cohesion and a shared identity.	New interpretive signages of Easton Park Heritage Conservation Area	М
		Designing with Country in placemaking	Н
		New community garden	М
2.	Provide high quality furniture and facilities.	New bush tucker garden	М
		New decking and BBQ Area	М
3.	Ensure continuous endeavour in community engagement	Replace degraded fences	Н
		Opportunity for pop-up cafes or market stalls	Н
4.	Ensure continuous maintenance of existing park assets.	Ensure that new signage adheres to the design guidance in the <i>Inner West Public Domain Signage Manual</i>	Ongoing
		New public art initiative	М
		Continuous maintenance of existing park assets	Ongoing



EASTON PARK ACTION PLAN - CONT.

Key	/ Objectives	Actions	Priority
SU	STAINABILITY		
1.	Promote ecological sustainability and enhance biodiversity.	New Fig Tree Avenue planting	Н
		Retain and protect existing trees	Ongoing
2.	Optimise and consolidate	Aerial bundling overhead power lines around matured trees	Н
3.	storm-water strategy. Embed ease of maintenance and material longevity.	Undergrounding overhead power lines around newly planted or proposed trees	М
		Diverse plant palette for existing and new garden beds	М
		Retain natural turf sports ground	Н
		Ensuring the material palette aligns with the <i>Inner West</i> Draft Public Domain Design Guide to provide longevity and ease of maintenance	Ongoing
		Ensure the planting palette consists of species that are resilient and generally low maintenance.	Ongoing
SP	ORTS & RECREATION		
1.	Address the demand for sports facilities, amenities and playgrounds.	Retain natural turf surface of the sports ground	Н
		Designated football goal nets storage area	Н
2.	Facilitate sports and exercise	Upgrade and expand existing playground	М
۷.	for all.	New community garden	М
3.	Ensure a balance between sports activities and general community use of the parks while maintaining the sports and recreation facilities.	New bush tucker garden	М
		New dedicated dog-off leash area	Н

ROZELLE PARKLANDS ACTION PLAN

Ke	y Objectives	Actions	Priority
AC	CCESS, INCLUSIVENESS & SAF	ETY	
1.	Improve access around and within Easton Park and	Relocate the park entrance to align with the new raised pedestrian crossing	Н
2.	Rozelle Parklands. Ensure that both parks and their assets are accessible, welcoming and safe for all visitors.	Future opportunities to introduce soft planting or other suitable median to further separate the pedestrian and cycle path	М
		New cyclist dismount markings on footpath	Н
		New garden beds to deter unsafe crossings	Н
3.	Provide facilities which cater for a diverse range of ages, abilities and interests.	A second toilet block near the playground (design and delivery by TfNSW)	Н
		New BBQ facilities and DDA table sets at Rail Gardens	М
		New seatings overlooking wetlands	М
		Connect Yarning Circles to adjacent footpath.	М
		Improve access over existing swales.	Н
		New dog on and off leash policy	М
SE	NSE OF PLACE & COMMUNIT	Υ	
1.	Emphasise the unique features and stories of the parks to foster community cohesion and a shared identity.	Advocate to the NSW Government the repurposing of the two terraces houses on Lilyfield Road for uses which are consistent with the use of the parkland at no cost to Council	Н
		Maintain or frame city views	Ongoing
2.	Provide high quality furniture	Designing with Country in placemaking	Н
3.	and facilities. Ensure continuous	New interpretive signages of Rozelle Railyards' industrial past	М
	endeavour in community engagement Ensure continuous maintenance of existing park assets.	Educational signages for native plants	М
4.		Ensure that new signage adheres to the design guidance in the <i>Inner West Public Domain Signage Manual</i>	Ongoing
		New public art initiative	М

ROZELLE PARKLANDS ACTION PLAN - CONT.

Ke	y Objectives	Actions	Priority		
SU	SUSTAINABILITY				
1.	Promote ecological	More shade trees to mitigate urban heat island effect	Н		
	sustainability and enhance biodiversity.	Retain natural turf sports ground	Н		
2.	Optimise and consolidate	New screen planting or evergreen vines to mitigate noise and views of traffic on City-West Link	Н		
3.	storm-water strategy. Embed ease of maintenance and material longevity.	New swale planting with pedestrian access at regular intervals	М		
		Retain and protect existing trees.	Ongoing		
		Diverse plant palette for existing and new garden beds	М		
		Ensuring the material palette aligns with the <i>Inner West</i> Draft Public Domain Design Guide to provide longevity and ease of maintenance	Ongoing		
		Ensure the planting palette consists of species that are resilient and generally low maintenance.	Ongoing		
SP	ORTS & RECREATION				
1.	Address the demand for sports facilities, amenities	New amenity block to include change rooms and storage facilities (design and delivery by TfNSW)	Н		
2.	and playgrounds. Facilitate sports and exercise	New multi-purpose sports courts (design and delivery by TfNSW)	Н		
	for all.	New shade structures for outdoor gym, playgrounds and hammocks	Н		
3.		Natural turf option for the existing cricket wicket	М		
		Sports ground lighting upgraded to support cultural and live music events	Н		
		Amphitheatre area includes permissible uses to allow for additional temporary seating, staging and storage to support cultural events	Н		
		Option for new picket fence around the oval	М		
		Option for a second cricket nets in addition to the ones at Easton Park	М		
		A drainage review is required to improve drainage around the sports ground.	Н		





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REFER SEPARATE ATTACHMENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING APPENDICES:

APPENDIX A - SITE ANALYSIS REPORT

APPENDIX B - ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES REPORTS

