

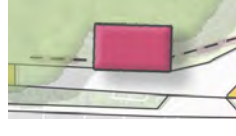



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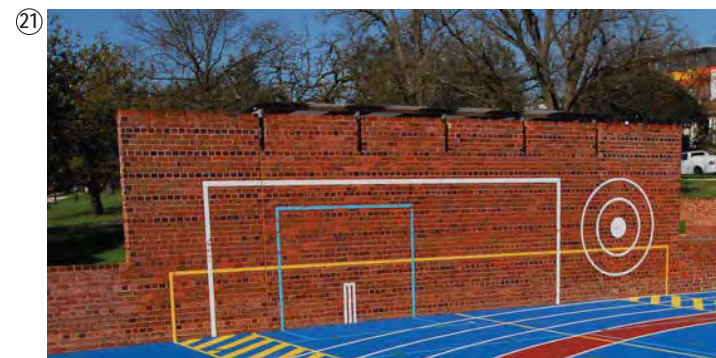
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27 Assess future use of the oval and consider resurfacing if appropriate.

your thoughts...

If you are unable to attend the community consultation session to provide your thoughts and feedback on the Stud Park Issues & Opportunities Plan and preliminary Draft Masterplan attached, please take a few minutes to provide some feedback and suggestions by answering the questions below:

1. I go to Stud Park Reserve because?

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2. I enjoy Stud Park Reserve because?

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3. Stud Park Reserve could be improved by?

.....

4. How do you see Stud Park Reserve being used in the future?

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Getting your comments back to us:

If you would like to provide any comments on the proposed works, you can do so by visiting the Knox City Council website and following the links to our Parks and Reserves page, or alternatively:

Email

StudparkM@knox.vic.gov.au

Talk

Call us on 9298 8000 or visit us at
 Knox City Council
 511 Burwood Highway
 Wantirna South 3152

Post it to us - no stamp required

Attention: Open Space & Landscape Design Team
 Knox City Council
 Reply Paid 70243
 Wantirna South Vic 3152

Please leave your contact details if you would like to stay involved.

Name:

Address:

Email Address:

what's next?

We value your thoughts reaching us by close of business on **23 October 2015**.

Your feedback and ideas will inform the design of the Masterplan.

Following review of your feedback, Preliminary draft Masterplan will be further developed to guide improvements to the park. We will seek your feedback on the revised Masterplan prior to it being completed.

If you have any questions, please call us on 9298 8000 and ask for one of the landscape design team members.

Find out what's happening at Stud Park Reserve, Rowville and how you can be involved in planning for the future of this community space.



The Masterplanning Process...

Work has begun preparing a Masterplan for Stud Park Reserve in Rowville but Council would like your thoughts to help identify all the opportunities for the future of this Park.

Stud Park Reserve is located in Rowville and is bordered by Stud Park Shopping Centre to the west, Fulham Road to the north, Rowville Primary School to the south and Simon Avenue and Bridgewater Way to the east. The park is comprised of a regional playground, Rowville Community Centre, infrastructure for a variety of sporting clubs, a sports oval, established trees and car parks.

This Community Bulletin is to let you know that Council is looking at ways to improve the Park and to invite you to share your thoughts with Council and contribute to the design of Stud Park Reserve Masterplan.

Council will also be undertaking a CPTED (Crime prevention through environmental design) audit of the site.

A Police officer will be present at our next consultation session to listen to your feedback and help finalise the Masterplan for Stud Park Reserve.

A **community consultation session** will be held on **Saturday 10 October** in Stud Park Reserve, between the playground and the oval.

Please drop in and have a chat any time between **10.30am and 11.30am**. Council looks forward to your involvement and interest.

When complete, Stud Park will be a place that:

- is a vibrant, active, and open public space which encourages more community activity;
- has better connections between the various areas within the park and around the park;
- provides multiple uses to activate the space, and
- is more attractive and more inclusive.

free morning coffee Community Information Session

Come along to the onsite community information session at Stud Park Reserve

When?

Anytime between **10.30 - 11.30am on Saturday 10 October 2015**




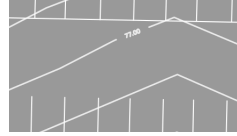
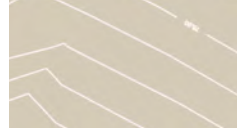




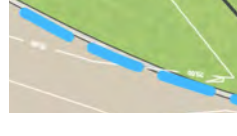




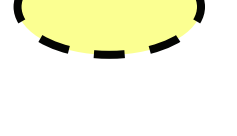
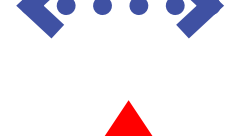
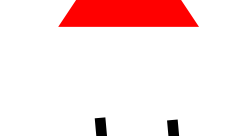

Where?

Between the playground and the oval in **Stud Park Reserve**

Why?

To talk to Council Staff about the project and share your thoughts.



- ### LEGEND
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 -  Existing Buildings
 -  Existing Public Toilets
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 -  Existing Contours
 -  Existing Playground Area
 -  Pedestrian Desire Lines
 -  Vehicular Entry Points
 -  Steep Batter

SITE ANALYSIS ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES

PATH NETWORK AND ACCESS

- ① Lack of formal pathway network within the Reserve. Consider establishing a 2m wide concrete pathway network throughout the Reserve to provide strong links to all major facilities. Consider the inclusion of fitness stations at various points along the pathway network to create a fitness circuit for community amenity.
- ② Lack of signage and definition of entry points into the reserve. Consider improving entry points through signage and feature entry treatments.



- ③ A steep embankment divides the Reserve creating a physical barrier and lack of connection between the upper and lower sections of the reserve. Consider providing accessible links between the upper and lower sections of the Reserve



- ④ Existing 1.8m high chain wire mesh fence along the Simon Ave creates a physical barrier to the Reserve. Consider replacing chain mesh fence along Simon Ave with a lower fence to improve permeability and accessibility.



- ⑤ Existing path connection between playspace and oval is narrow, steep and uneven. Providing a DDA compliant access path between the oval and playspace.



- ⑥ Poor connections and lack of all abilities access between the reserve and Rowville Primary School. Improve connections and interfaces between the Reserve and Rowville Primary School.



- ⑦ Poor accessibility to the tennis courts and pavilion due to steep grades and stepped paving levels. Consider rationalising level changes to provide improved access to the Rowville Community Centre Pavilion.



- ⑧ There are a number of conflict points between pedestrians and vehicles around the community centre due to lack of dedicated access routes and crossing points. Consider providing dedicated pedestrian access routes and crossing points to community centre.



- ⑨ Poor interface between the rear of the Stud Park Shopping centre and lack of pedestrian access into the Reserve. Future planning of the Stud Park Shopping Centre should consider activating the interface with the Reserve to encourage synergies and a strong relationship with the Reserve. Explore options to improve pedestrian and cycling links to the Stud Park Shopping Centre.

CAR PARKING AND VEHICULAR ACCESS



- ⑩ Gravel carpark around oval is uneven and degraded. Consider providing a sealed carpark with formalised line marking.



- ⑪ Sealed carpark to south west of community centre lacks formal line marking, tree planting and pedestrian access. Consider improving the carpark through additional tree planting, formalized line marking and pedestrian access.



- ⑫ Existing maintenance access. Consider converting to a formal entry to the Reserve for access to community recreation facilities.

FACILITIES

- ⑬ A separate master plan for the Rowville Community Centre will be undertaken to assess existing and future use and potential redevelopment. Improve access to the centre in the short term.

Lack of even distribution of park furniture throughout the Reserve and spectator seating around sporting infrastructure. Increase the provision of park furniture throughout the Reserve and develop a consistent suite of furniture.



- ⑭ Existing public toilet facility within the playspace is in poor condition and is not easily accessible. Consider upgrading the public toilet facility and relocating to a more accessible location.



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- ⑯ Existing oval pavilion. Investigate the current and future use of the existing oval pavilion and consider upgrading.



- ⑰ Lack of dedicated shelters over picnic areas within the playspace. Consider upgrading picnic areas to include picnic shelters. Consider an additional picnic area to service the potential community based amenity north east of the playspace.



- ⑱ Existing netball/ basketball courts are in poor condition and could be consolidated into new multiplay courts to the open grassed area south. Consider converting netball courts into a multiplay courts and fitness circuit.

- ⑲ Potential location for new multiplay courts, fitness stations and grassed area for community amenity. Consider new public toilet in this area for centralised access to community based recreation.

TREES AND VEGETATION

In general, trees and vegetation planted are well established, are of high environmental significance and provide great value and amenity to the reserve and should be protected and enhanced.



- ⑳ Dense stands of trees planted on the steep embankment in the centre of the Reserve amplifies the physical barrier that divides the reserve and increases the sense of disconnection between the upper and lower sections. Assess and consider vegetation retention/ removal to improve visual permeability/ sight lines and connection between the upper and lower sections of the Reserve.





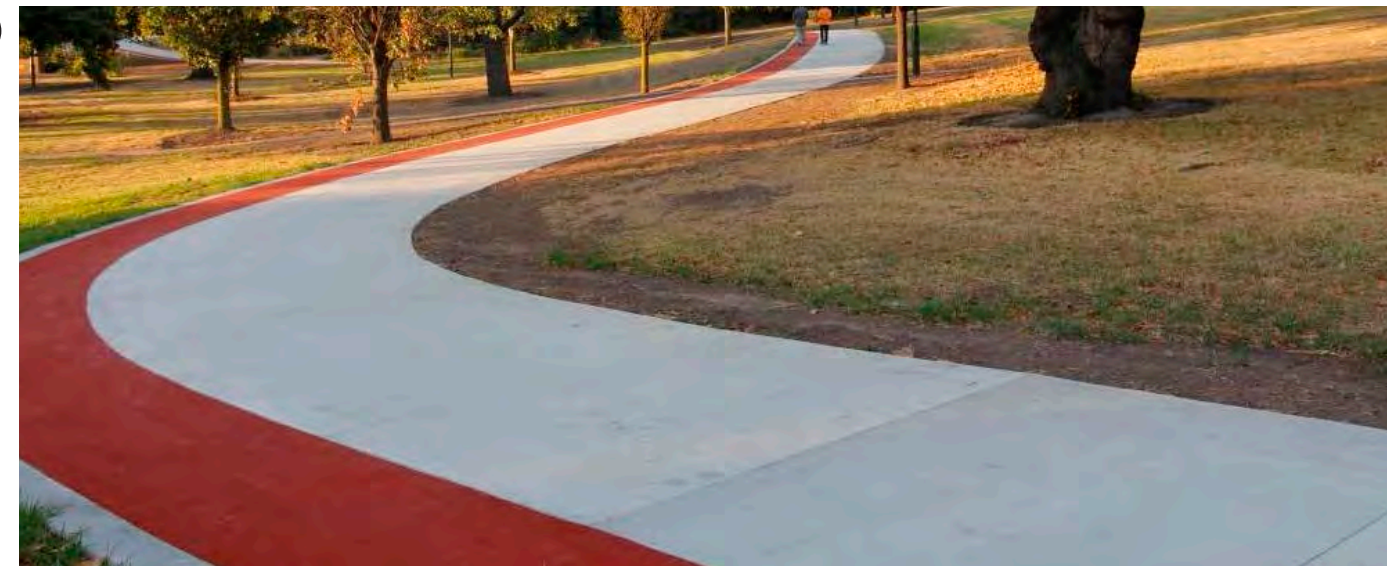
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CAR PARKING AND VEHICULAR ACCESS

10 Explore opportunities to improve connections between Stud Park Reserve and Stud Park Shopping Centre as part of the future Stud Park Shopping Centre Development Plan.

11 Consider future elevated access link between Stud Park Shopping Centre and the Rowville Community Centre as part of any future building development works to improve access.

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Consultation and Key Findings Report – November 2015



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1. INTRODUCTION

Introduction and purpose

The Stud Park Reserve Master Plan has been commissioned by the City of Knox to provide clear direction on the future improvement and enhancement of sport, community and event infrastructure at the reserve.

The recently adopted Rowville Structure Plan identified Rowville as an area of significant change and sets the vision and direction for the residential neighbourhoods, commercial areas, and community facilities over the next 20 years. A key action in the Structure Plan was the development of a Master Plan for Stud Park Reserve to ensure the site continues to provide a broad range of active and passive sport and recreation opportunities for the community.

As part of the development of the Master Plan a user group and community stakeholder consultation program was undertaken to identify the needs and preferences of key users and to determine what key features are most valued at the reserve.

The consultation program provide a range of opportunities for existing sporting clubs, community groups and local residents to provide input into the development of the Draft Master Plan and provide feedback on proposed reserve recommendations and priorities.

The purpose of this report is to deliver a summary of the key issues, opportunities and development priorities identified by existing reserve users, local residents and Council. This report also identifies the key themes from the consultation process and proposes a number of planning and development principles to help guide future development opportunities.

Stud Park is a local level reserve located in Rowville which is highly valued by the local community and current user groups. The reserve is located beside the Stud Park Shopping Centre and within close proximity to residential properties.

Key features of the reserve include a regional play space, community centre, outdoor sports ground and sports courts, and is the site for the annual Stringybark Festival, attracting thousands of people every year.

The reserve is well utilised by the community and is a destination for a variety of formalised sport and recreation activities including cricket, junior football, tennis, netball and personal training. The regional playground and existing pathways and open space areas are popular and provide opportunities for casual recreation, social gatherings and relaxation.

The Rowville Primary School and Rowville Secondary College have an affiliation with the reserve due to their close proximity and use the oval and other facilities regularly for sport and physical education classes. The majority of land occupied by the sports oval is owned by the Department of Education, providing a partnership opportunity for the future development and improvement of sporting infrastructure at the reserve.

The site is very car dominated with minimal functional or connecting pathways to encourage pedestrian traffic. Access and car parking can be difficult and was identified as a key issue by regular users and nearby residents due to its existing topography, partial perimeter fencing and shared parking with other facilities such as the Rowville Shopping Centre.

The reserve is also heavily vegetated, creating issues for natural surveillance and clear sightlines, and contributing to a range of social issues at the reserve including loitering, homelessness and vandalism.

The development of the Draft Stud Park Reserve Master Plan considers the key stakeholder and community consultation findings identified in this report and should be used by Council to establish a clear vision and direction for the reserve over the next twenty years.



2. MASTER PLAN CONSULTATION

Consultation program

Stud Park Reserve user groups, local residents and Council staff were consulted and have informed the development of the Master Plan.

A targeted consultation program was undertaken by Council to determine the communities and key stakeholder views and preferences for future improvements to the Reserve, and to inform the outcomes of the Master Plan.

The following consultation activities were undertaken in order to identify the current and future needs and priorities for the reserve by key users and the local community.

Internal stakeholders:

- **Commencement meeting** with the Project Manager to confirm project scope and objectives.
- **Group interview with officers from across the following Council departments** to determine site issues, constraints and potential development opportunities.
 - Festivals and events
 - Traffic and Transport
 - Strategic Planning
 - Health
 - Cultural Development
 - Sport and Recreation
 - Parks

- **Onsite inspection of Stud Park Reserve** with Council and ACLA Landscape Architects to identify existing conditions and functionality.

Community stakeholders:

- **Stud Park Reserve User Group Workshop** to provide an opportunity for input into the development of the Draft Master Plan. The workshop was attended by the following organisations.
 - St Simons Football Club
 - St Simons Auskick
 - Black and White Fitness
 - Eildon Park Cricket Club
 - Knox Leisure Staff
 - Knox Community Centre Staff
 - Local residents
- **Online user group survey** to confirm usage, participation trends, facility requirements, site issues and opportunities and to provide input into the development of the Draft Master Plan.
- **Online community survey** distributed to local residents to understand broader community use.
- **Onsite community consultation sessions providing opportunity for feedback on the Draft Master Plan**

A summary of overall consultation responses from user groups, Council and the community is provided on the following pages.

Online survey findings

An online survey was developed by Council to seek input from user groups on the development of the Draft Master Plan for Stud Park Reserve.

The survey was sent directly to the following groups and asked specific questions around current and future usage, participation, needs and future improvement priorities.

- St Simons Football Club (*survey received*)
- St Simons Auskick (*survey received*)
- Rowville Primary School (*survey received*)
- Eildon Park Cricket Club (*survey received*)
- Rowville Community Centre (*survey received*)
- Knox Council Leisure Staff (*survey received*)
- Black and White Fitness
- Rowville Secondary College
- Rowville Netball Club
- Millenium Tennis
- Muscillo Tennis Academy

The first six groups listed above provided a response to the survey. Responses were not received from the remaining five groups.

The following analysis provides a summary of key highlights and findings. Full survey responses are included in the appendices to this report.

1. Welcome to the Stud Park Reserve Master Plan Survey

Welcome

Stud Park Reserve in Rowville provides for a range of sport and recreation activities and open space opportunities for local sporting groups and Knox residents.

The Reserve is home to local football, cricket, netball and tennis clubs, and hosts Council's annual Stringybark Festival. The Rowville Community Centre and Stud Park Regional Playground are also popular community assets located at the site.

The Knox City Council recently commissioned the development of a Master Plan for the reserve to establish a clear direction for the future planning, provision, enhancement and improvement of facilities and open space. Through the development of this Master Plan, Council is aiming to identify future development and improvement opportunities that respond to community need and improve and enhance access and use of this reserve.

As a regular user of the reserve Council is seeking your input into the development of the Master Plan to help shape its future direction.

How do I get started?

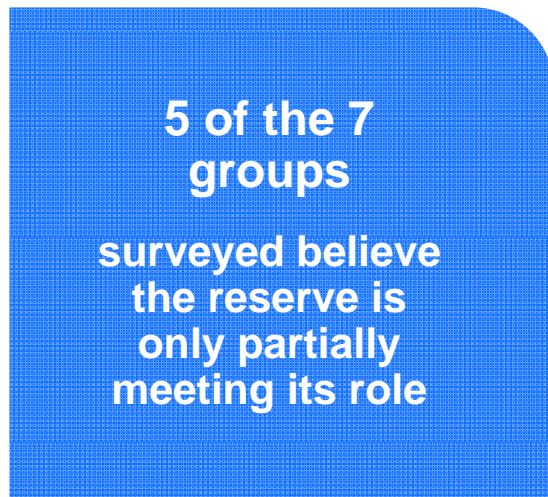
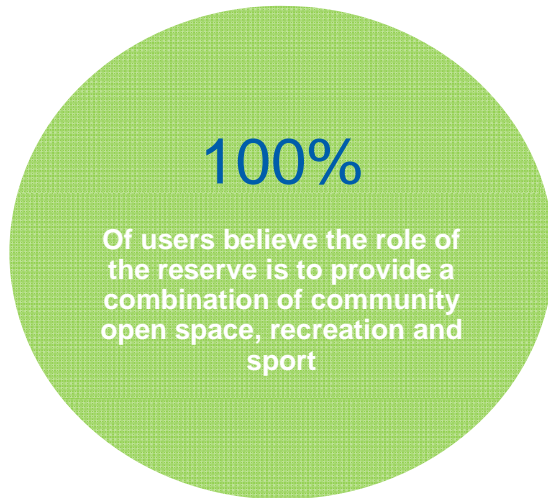
This survey will take approximately 10 to 15 minutes to complete and will close at 9pm on Wednesday 16th of September 2015. Only one survey response is required per group.

To begin the survey, please scroll to the bottom of the page and select "Next".

All responses and survey data will be treated with strict confidentiality.

If you encounter any technical difficulties, please contact project consultants at *insideEDGE* via email gavin@iesip.com.au

Role & Purpose of Stud Park Reserve



Summary comments

Oval surface is in poor condition

Inadequate toilet facilities

Not enough barbeques

Not enough covered seating

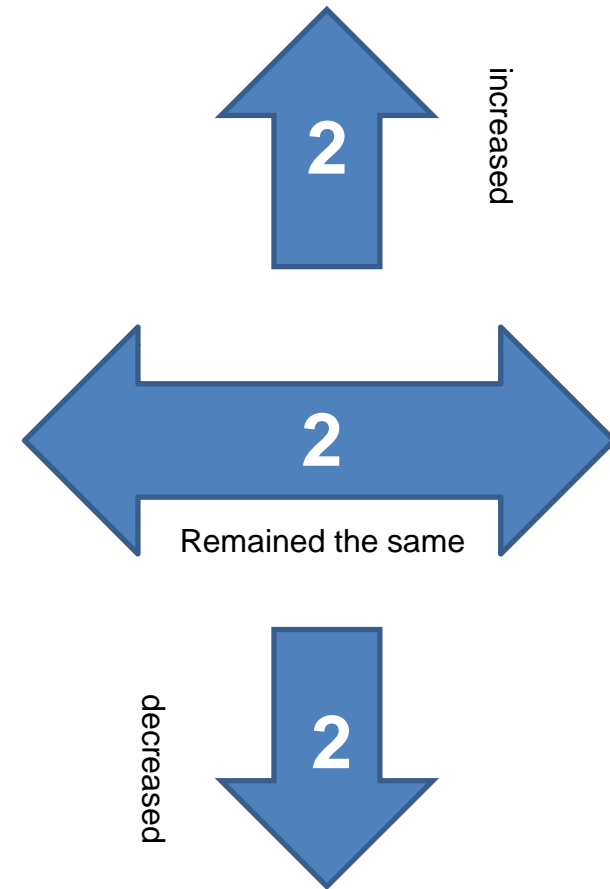
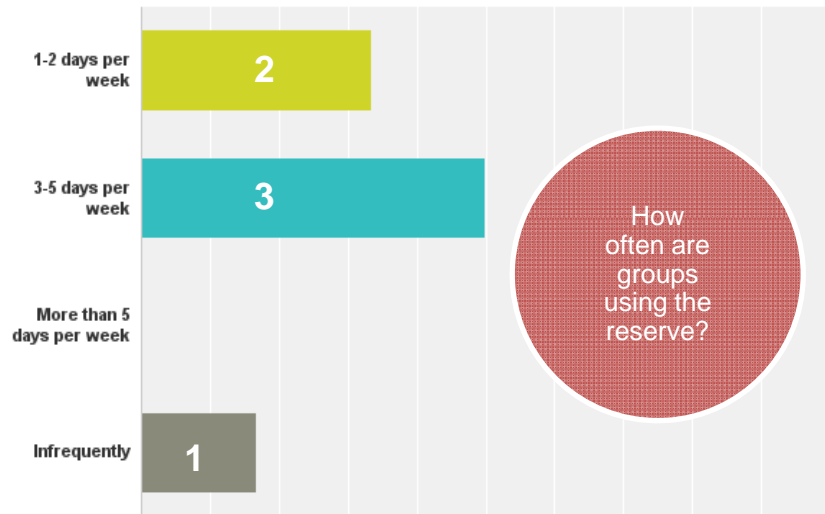
The reserve has an unsavoury feel to it

The roads, car parks and facilities are outdated

The shrubs around the reserve are a haven for people to loiter

Poor sightlines into the reserve create safety issues

User group participation



Participation trends in the last 3 years experienced by existing groups

Barriers to increasing participation

poor condition of oval surface

quality of facilities

major competitions from other codes

cost of participation

ageing population in the Rowville area

access and parking

Reserve development opportunities to increase participation

athletics track

better pathways

improved toilet facilities

increased car parking

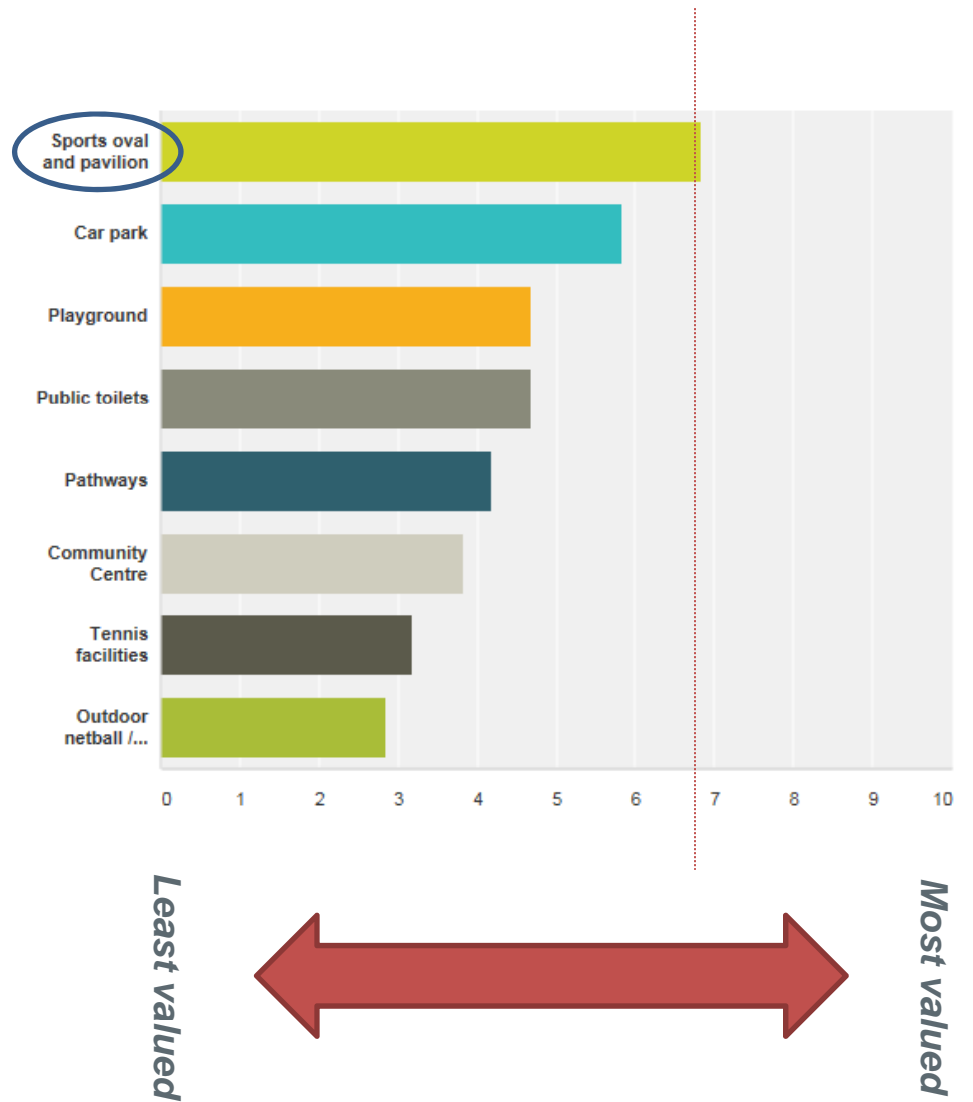
ground upgrade and lighting

Access

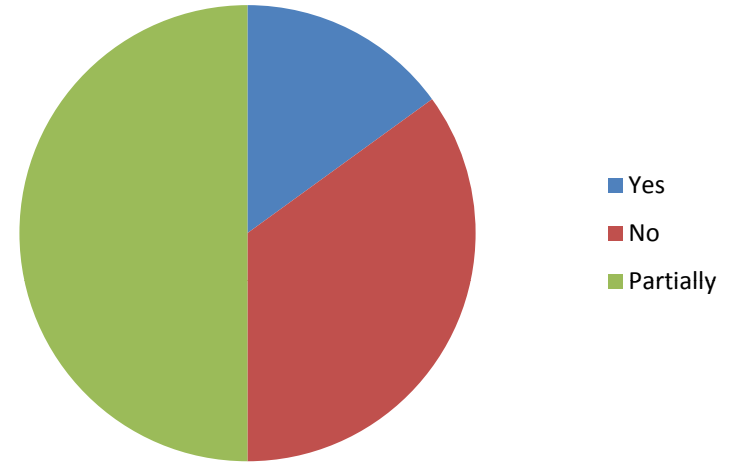


100%
Of users travel to the reserve by car.

What facilities are most valued at the reserve?

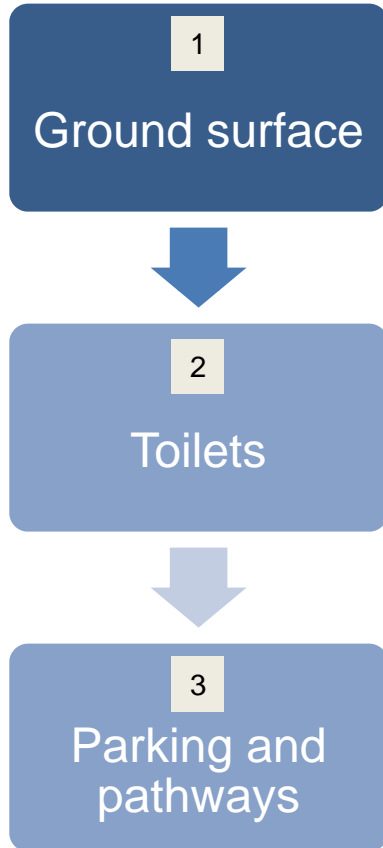


Facilities rating



Are the sport and recreation facilities and infrastructure at Stud Park Reserve currently meeting the needs of your club or group?

Facility priorities



Reserve development opportunities



Running / athletics track



Outdoor gym equipment



Sports pavilion upgrade

Summary of stakeholder workshops

Stakeholder	Key issues	Opportunities
Council workshop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The site is very car dominated. Traffic management, car parking and access and egress to the site, particularly on big event days is challenging. ○ No distinct bike paths in the area which also limits access on event days. ○ The topography of the site impacting access and participation. ○ Prevalent drug and alcohol use around the proximity of the playground. Poor sight lines into the reserve creating social issues. ○ Remnant vegetation in the eastern part of the reserve and some significant trees that would be unable to be removed. Maintenance is challenging due to the steepness of the site ○ Reserve is extensively used by personal training groups, the schools sports academy and junior football club as an overflow venue. ○ Outdoor netball courts only used for training purposes as the netball club have relocated to Rowville Secondary College. ○ The role of the Community Centre has changed in the last five years and is more community focussed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Funding opportunities for the implementation of the Master Plan will likely come from asset renewal, the open space reserve fund and other grants via State Government. ○ Providing better site integration and access to facilities and adopt a plan that will guide future capital works funding and investment. ○ The design of the Master Plan should consider the needs of the Stringybark Festival in regards to parking, access and traffic flow and an amphitheatres for the event and broader community use. ○ There has been some interest through groups using the community centre to establish a community garden on site. ○ Fitness stations are popular and may work along the eastern boundary with support from an integrated and well connected trail. ○ Opportunity to better connect surrounding paths to the site as well as adjacent schools to maximise use of the reserve. ○ Incorporating art work into the Master Plan should be a consideration.

Stakeholder	Key issues	Opportunities
User group workshop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Issues with homelessness and loitering. Litter and broken bottles around the oval regularly. ○ The topography of the site impacts access for spectators and there is not enough signage to provide opposing teams with information about access and parking. ○ Public toilets are unsafe are normally locked and in a poor location. Users of the playground generally access the community centre toilet which is not ideal. ○ The oval is an overflow venue for cricket and footy and is not a home venue so is considered a low priority. Cricket club also do not train at the site. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Clearing vegetation around the oval will open up the space and improve sight lines. ○ Rowville Secondary College use the oval regularly and are investigation the feasibility of a cricket academy. ○ Relocate public toilets to make them more accessible, safe and functional, and improve the internal path network to create better connections to facilities. ○ Site used as a school drop off / pick up area. The reserve is one of the main drop off and pick up points for both schools. improving vehicle and pedestrian access and safety of car parks for the school, clubs and community use is a high priority. ○ Tenant cricket club would like an improvement to the entrance and all oval users are seeking an upgraded surface.

Community survey responses

The broader community were invited to complete a short questionnaire (sample below) if they couldn't attend the Master Plan information sessions. Key questions asked include why people go to Stud Park, what they value about the reserve and how they feel it could be improved in the future. The following pages provides a brief summary of the ten responses received.

your thoughts...

If you are unable to attend the community consultation session to provide your thoughts and feedback on the Stud Park Issues & Opportunities Plan and preliminary Draft Masterplan attached, please take a few minutes to provide some feedback and suggestions by answering the questions below:

1. I go to Stud Park Reserve because?

4. How do you see Stud Park Reserve being used in the future?

2. I enjoy Stud Park Reserve because?

3. Stud Park Reserve could be improved by?

I...THINK...THE...GOLF...NEED...UPGRADING... I...THINK...THAT...THE...PLAYGROUND...IS... WONDERFUL... BUT... I...THINK...IT...IS...LACKING... IN...AN...AREA...FOR...VERY...SMALL...CHILDREN... MY...GRANDCHILD...IS...UNDER...2...+...I...DON'T... FEEL...THAT...THE...AGE...IS...REALLY...CATERED...FOR... THERE...ARE...LOTS...OF...PLAYGROUND...ACTIVITIES.../... EQUIPMENT...THAT...COULD...BE...INSTALLED...IN...A... DEDICATED...AREA...FOR...UNDER...3'S...

Getting your comments back to us:
If you would like to provide any comments on the proposed works, you can do so by visiting the Knox City Council website and following the links to our Parks and Reserves page, or alternatively:

Email
StudparkM@knox.vic.gov.au

Talk
Call us on 9298 8000 or visit us at Knox City Council 511 Burwood Highway Wantirna South 3152

Post it to us - no stamp required
Attention: Open Space & Landscape Design Team Knox City Council Reply Paid 70243 Wantirna South Vic 3152

Please leave your contact details if you would like to stay involved.

Name:

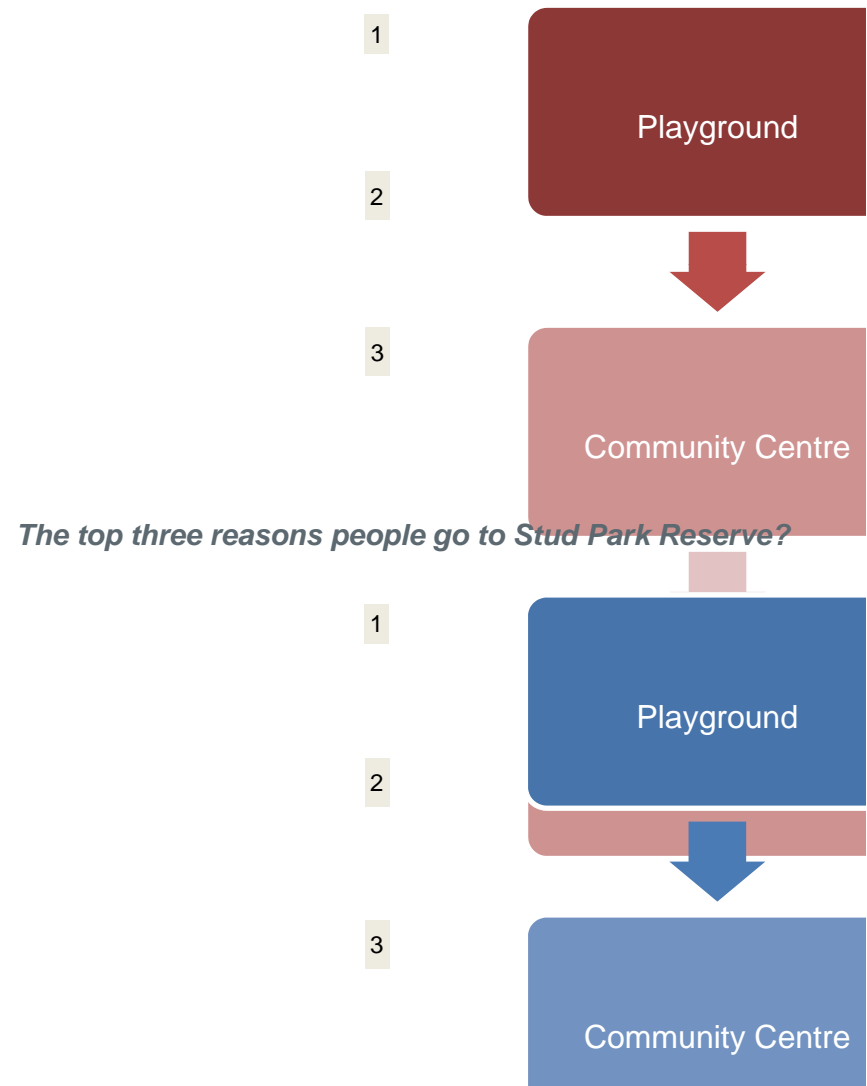
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what's next?

We value your thoughts reaching us by close of business on **23 October 2015**. Your feedback and ideas will inform the design of the Masterplan. Following review of your feedback, Preliminary draft Masterplan will be further developed to guide improvements to the park. We will seek your feedback on the revised Masterplan prior to it being completed. **If you have any questions, please call us on 9298 8000 and ask for one of the landscape design team members.**

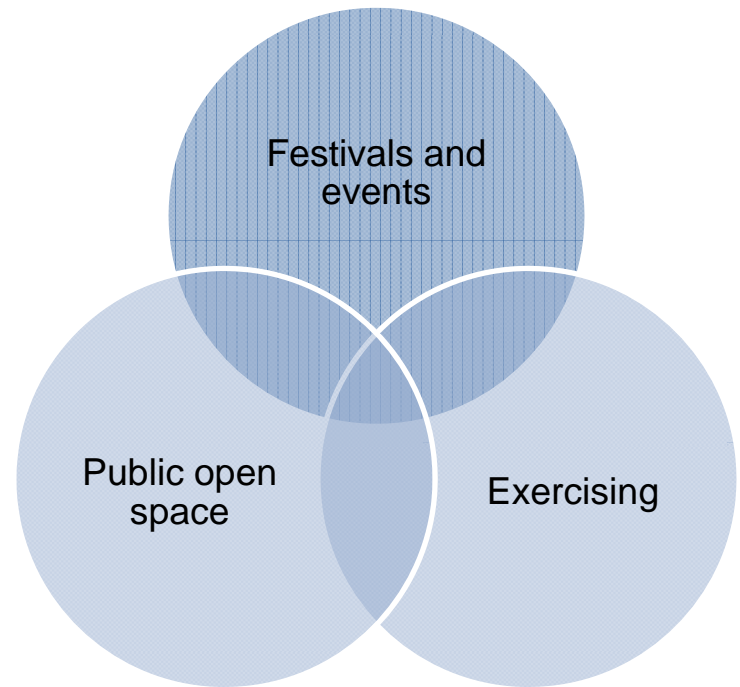
What people enjoy most about Stud Park Reserve?



How could Council improve Stud Park Reserve?



How do you see Stud Park being used in the future?





3. KEY THEMES AND DEVELOPMENT PRINCIPLES

Key Master Plan Themes

At the completion of community consultation and stakeholder meetings the following themes were evident and will be used to help guide the future planning and design of the Stud Park Reserve Master Plan.

1. Accessibility

- Includes challenges with site topography, pathway connectivity, vehicle access, car parking and general site access for events and other activities.

2. Community infrastructure and social amenity

- Location and condition of public amenities such as toilets and shelters, and existing trees and landscaping impacting public surveillance and sightlines through the reserve.

3. Facility development

- Use and condition of the sports oval and supporting amenities that meet minimum standards, and better integration of existing facilities including the community centre and regional playground.



Accessibility



Community infrastructure



Facility development

Future planning and development principles

The following planning and development principles will be used to guide the interpretation, consideration and preparation of design options for Stud Park Reserve and underpin Master Plan directions.

Access

- Provide a diverse range of accessible facilities and open space areas that meet the needs of the local Rowville community.
- Improve and link walking paths, footpaths and road networks to encourage healthy and active living and promote walk ability.
- Enhance connectivity and integration with sporting and community infrastructure including schools and the community centre.
- Improve vehicle entry, egress and car parking provision to meet expected day-to-day usage and sporting and community event requirements.
- Provision of walking paths/tracks/trails that allow for both recreational opportunities and destination based routes.
- Ensure that the reserve is accessible, safe and appealing for people with a disability (Disability Discrimination Act compliance).
- Ensure the reserve is safe and secure for older adults (security lighting, car park provision, access into and around facilities).

Community infrastructure and social amenity principles

- Improve the functionality of open space areas to promote and encourage informal recreation use of the reserve.
- Facilitate passive and social use of the reserve by continuing to provide paths, seats, tree planting and BBQ and picnic facilities.
- Develop and maintain high quality and safe community infrastructure in accordance with Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design guidelines (CPTED) to meet the needs of the local Rowville community.
- Promote and support opportunities for people to enhance their health and wellbeing through the provision of accessible community infrastructure.
- Continue to support and deliver event related infrastructure at the reserve to strengthen its community capacity and liveability.
- Enhance and develop the physical amenity and visual appearance of the reserve through additional tree planting and landscaping.

Facility development

- Replace redundant and functionally obsolete buildings and amenities with facilities that meet shared sport, community, event and education objectives.
- Provide facilities that maximise shared usage and flexibility to meet the changing community needs and aspirations.
- Facilities shall provide safe and supportive environments for all participants with opportunities to provide for new (unstructured) recreational pursuits.
- Consider Universal and Healthy by Design Principles along with sustainability best practices to underpin future facility planning and design.
- Continue to develop and provide facilities that support the growth of junior and female sport including football, tennis, netball and cricket, and the high demand for personal training space.
- Strengthen partnerships with local schools to integrate management and use of public facilities and further investigate the future facility requirements of the Rowville Secondary College.
- Continue to ensure high levels of playing field provision and conditions are maintained to meet levels of training and competition requirements.
- Strengthen the capacity of local sporting clubs and community groups by seeking to improve the quality of reserve facilities.
- Maintain dedicated playing field areas, ensure they are appropriately sized and dimensioned and maximise their use and flexibility for configuration and usage by additional sports or community activities.

3. THE DRAFT STUD PARK MASTER PLAN



Feedback on the Draft Master Plan

A Draft Master Plan for Stud Park Reserve was developed following the first round of consultation, and a set of key themes and development principles proposed based on these consultation findings.

Council invited feedback on the Draft Master Plan from all existing user groups and the local community.

- The Draft Master Plan and 'feedback form' were distributed to local residents within 250m of the reserve (sample adjacent).
- The Draft Master Plan was displayed on Council' web site with opportunity to provide online feedback.
- The Draft Master Plan was presented by Council officers at the Stringybark Festival in October.
- Two community 'drop in' sessions were arranged onsite to provide opportunity for feedback on the Draft Master Plan.

A total of sixteen written submissions were received by Council from the community in response to the Draft Master Plan. The 'feedback form' asked people what they liked about the proposed Master Plan, what they would do differently and if there was anything missing or that has not been considered.

The feedback on the Draft Master Plan was generally very positive with the majority of respondents believing the proposed changes were suitable for all ages and had 'something for everybody'. There was also a consensus that the plan was thoughtful, well considered and provided a good balance between active sport and passive recreation opportunities. The following page provides a summary of feedback received on the Draft Master Plan.

Building a better Stud Park Reserve
community survey

1. What do you like about the Draft Masterplan?
Every feedback!

2. What would you do differently in the Draft Masterplan?
Nil

3. Is there anything Council has not considered in the Draft Masterplan?
No

Thank you for providing us with feedback.

THIS survey folds into a reply paid envelope. Fold and seal the envelope with tape or staples and return free of charge by post. All submissions close at 5pm 27th January 2016. If you need assistance please call 0398 8360 and ask for one of the Landscape team.

Sample only



What respondents liked most about the draft plan

- Proposed fitness stations
- Additional and improvements to the shared pathway
- Enclosed cricket practice nets
- Recreational hit up wall
- Proposed location of the public toilet
- New floodlighting on the oval



What would respondents change

- More drinking fountains near recreational areas
- Not enough seating or rubbish bins, particularly near the children's playground and opposite the police station
- More fitness stations and a softer trail surface
- Proposed fence type at Simon Avenue
- Additional lighting to encourage after hours use
- No smoking signs near the children's playground
- Remove proposed planter boxes from car park and new tree near the sports pavilion
- Resurface oval with winter grass



Is there anything missing?

- Preventing rubbish and water discharge onto the reserve
- Playground equipment for two year olds and younger
- Zebra crossing on Fulham Road to facilitate safe access from the Peppertree Hill Retirement Village
- Skate / BMX Park
- Athletics track for community use
- Community Centre upgrade
- Onsite Café or kiosk
- Adequate car parking and a new scoreboard for sports club use

4. APPENDICES



building a better Stud Park Reserve

November 2015

Council has prepared a draft Masterplan for Stud Park Reserve in Rowville and would like your feedback .

thank you for your input

In October this year, an issues & opportunities plan and a preliminary Draft Masterplan for Stud Park Reserve was presented to the local community via letterbox drops and an onsite information session.

The Draft Masterplan is intended to ensure that Stud Park Reserve;

- is a vibrant, active and open public space which encourages community activity;
- has good connections between the various areas within and around the Reserve; and
- provides multiple uses for the Reserve.

Council received great feedback on the preliminary Draft Masterplan.

help Council complete the plan

Council has taken the feedback you provided and combined it with other information, including a CPTED (Crime prevention through environmental design) assessment of the site undertaken with local Police.

The revised Draft Masterplan considers the police recommendations and your feedback and Council is now seeking your review of the updated Draft Masterplan to ensure it reflects your aspirations for the Reserve.

have your say

The Draft Masterplan is now available for further community feedback.

These plans can be reviewed and comments received until Wednesday 27 January 2016.

Your feedback will inform the Final Draft Masterplan, which will then be presented to Council for consideration.

You may provide feedback in the following ways:

- Meet the project team and provide feedback at the upcoming consultation session on 5 December 2015 (see details below).
- Complete the enclosed survey and return, free of charge via post by Wednesday 27 January 2016.
- Complete the survey online at knox.vic.gov.au/Studpark.

Have Your Say

Enjoy a **Free Coffee** and receive a Voucher for a

Free Indigenous Plant

from Knox Environment Society (KES)
(Voucher to be redeemed at Knox Environment Society,
1010 Burwood Highway, Ferntree Gully)

WHEN

Saturday 5 December

anytime between 9:30 to 10:30am

WHERE

Between the Playground and the oval
at Stud Park Reserve.

what else has been happening around your neighbourhood?



Deschamp Reserve Playground



Arcadia Reserve Masterplan



Hillside Reserve Playground

to find out more

knox.vic.gov.au/Studpark

or alternatively:

Email

StudparkM@knox.vic.gov.au

Visit

Knox City Council
511 Burwood Highway
Wantirna South

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Call

9298 8000
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of the landscape
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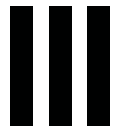
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DRAFT MASTERPLAN RECOMMENDATIONS

PATH NETWORK AND ACCESS

- 1 Establish a 2m wide concrete pathway network throughout the Reserve to provide strong links to all major facilities.



Provide a 1km marked jogging circuit around the Reserve

- 2 Provide a 100m running circuit incorporated into proposed multipurpose court facility.

- 3 Install permanent, interpretive and directional signage within the Reserve to promote new infrastructure and improve access.

- 4 Improve connection between the upper and lower sections of the reserve through a new access link including a DDA compliant walkway.



Remove existing 1.8m high chain wire mesh fence along Simon Ave and replace with a timber post and rail fence.

- 5 Provide new access links between the Reserve and Rowville Primary School including DDA compliant walkways to negotiate the steep embankment.

- 6 Demarcate pedestrian crossing points over access roads to improve safety



Provide a new DDA compliant access link between the playspace and proposed multipurpose courts and youth/community recreational facilities. Incorporate terraced seating overlooking the open grassed area for amenity and event usage.

CAR PARKING AND VEHICULAR ACCESS

- 10 Provide a sealed carpark with formalised line marking and security lighting west of the oval.

- 11 Improve sealed carpark to south west of community centre with formal line marking, new tree planting and pedestrian access.

FACILITIES

- 12 Undertake a separate master plan for the Rowville Community Centre to assess existing and future use and potential internal refurbishment.



- 13 Provide a new consistent suite of park furniture throughout the Reserve.



Provide fitness stations at various points along the 1km jogging circuit to create a fitness circuit.



Remove existing degraded public toilet facility within the playspace. Provide new public toilet facility in a more accessible location between the playspace and new multipurpose courts and youth/ community facilities.

- 14 Undertake investigation into the the current and future use of the existing oval pavilion and consider upgrading in the future if required



Install new shelters over existing picnic areas within the playspace.

- 15 Provide a new shelter and picnic facilities to service the proposed multipurpose court/ community facilities area.



Upgrade existing public netball/ basketball courts into new multipurpose courts and youth/community recreational facilities.



Provide new community recreational facilities such as table tennis tables.



Provide new hit up wall to multipurpose courts.

- 16 Proposed open lawn area. Potential to be used during events for a stage setup linked to terraced seating.



Consider new cricket practice net facility for the cricket clubs, potential cricket academy and public use.

TREES AND VEGETATION

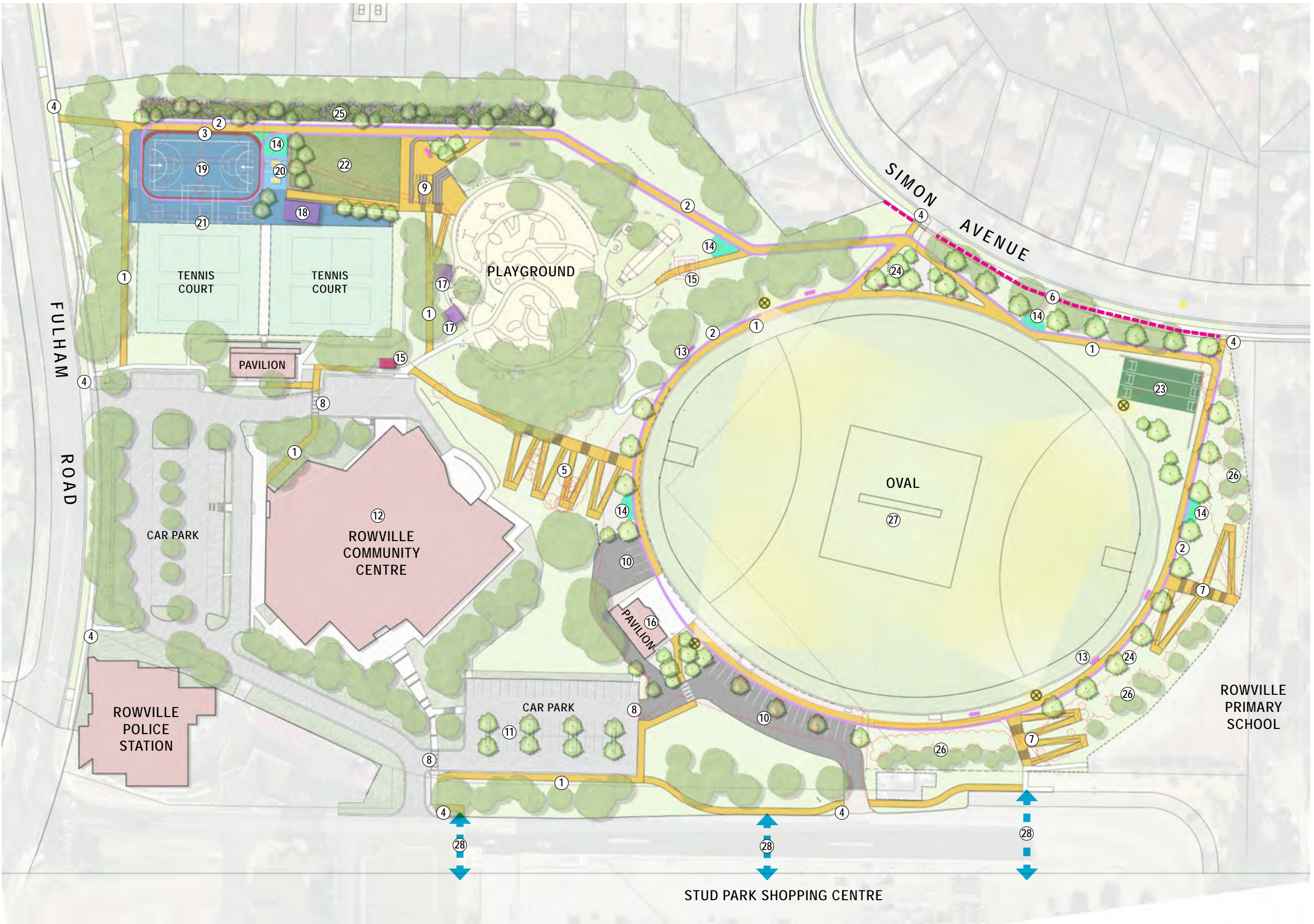
- 17 Improve visual amenity of the reserve via additional landscaping and tree planting.

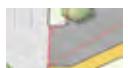


Provide a new vegetated drainage swale to capture and treat stormwater runoff along the eastern edge of the new multipurpose courts and youth/ community facilities.

- 18 Assess and reduce dense scrubby vegetation to embankments between the Reserve and Rowville Primary School, retaining larger single trunked trees to improve visual permeability/ sight lines/ safety

- 19 Assess future use of the oval and consider resurfacing if appropriate.



- ### LEGEND
-  Existing Trees
 -  Proposed Trees
 -  Proposed items to be demolished
 -  Proposed Concrete paving
 -  Proposed Asphalt Paving to Carpark
 -  Proposed Drainage Swale
 -  Proposed Multiplay Courts
 -  Proposed 1km Jogging Circuit
 -  Proposed 100m Running Circuit
 -  Proposed Fitness Stations
 -  Proposed Picnic Shelter
 -  Proposed Public Toilet
 -  Proposed Timber Post & Rail Fence
 -  Proposed Pedestrian Crossings
 -  Proposed Seats
 -  Proposed Sports Field Lighting

