

# Draft Masterplan

Knox Regional Netball Centre, Ferntree Gully





# **Design Vision**

The Knox Regional Netball Centre is a regional hub for netball activities, providing the largest participation in sport by women and is the premier netball centre in Knox. In 2018, Council completed a feasibility study and the findings have informed the development of the draft masterplan. With over 6000 participants visiting the facility on a weekly basis during the season, the study identified that there is substantial demand for additional indoor courts, in order to accommodate current and future use. Below is a list of draft masterplan items for consideration:

#### Legend **EXISTING TREES** MOWN GRASS **NEW BUILDING** NEW BIKE RACKS PROPOSED TREES **EXISTING PATHS/PAVING EXISTING PLAY GROUND** EXISTING TREES TO BE REMOVED **NEW PATHS/PAVING** PEDESTRIAN CROSSING **REVEGETATION GRAVEL PATH** EXISTING WATER TANK **GARDEN BED**

### **Features of the Masterplan**

- STADIUM EXPANSION
  Council propose to provide an additional two new indoor netball courts at the site.
- OVERFLOW CARPARK
  Provide approximately 180 additional formalised parking bays with shade trees in keeping with the adjoining Ferny Creek corridor character.
- SITE VEHICLE ENTRY
  Improve the entry experience with new signage and upgrade line-marking to allow for safer vehicular movements and more legible traffic flow, especially in and out of the site.
- EXISTING CARPARK
  Retain existing sealed carparking (approximately 260 spaces).
  Consider pedestrian lighting enhancement along pathway to improve visibility to and from the carpark.

#### 5 STADIUM FORECOURT

Replace existing paving in forecourt area and thin existing trees (4 proposed to be removed) to reduce pavement issues. Create new garden bed areas around retained trees with integrated seating opportunities. Existing play space to be retained.

## **KEVIN AVENUE LINK**

Extend forecourt towards Kevin Avenue to improve pedestrian access and provide an improved vehicle drop-off zone. The creation of this new space will result in the loss of one outdoor netball court (and the realignment of the second to a north-south alignment).

#### OUTDOOR SHOW COURT

Provide an outdoor show court to the Netball Victoria standard/preferred north-south orientation with sufficient spectator space and lighting.

#### NEW OVERFLOW PARKING

Provide approximately 35 additional formalised parking bays as required.

#### **EXISTING COURTS**

Retain 17 outdoor courts. The option of realigning the outdoor courts to the preferred north-south alignment has been investigated, and shown to require both significant cost and the loss of additional outdoor courts.

#### NEW PATH CONNECTIONS

Create stronger pedestrian links between the facility and the Ferny Creek shared trail. Install bike racks to encourage active transportation to the site.

#### REVEGETATION AREA

In accordance with the Knox Revegetation Plan, undertake revegetation works to the sloped grassy area to enhance biodiversity and habitat connectivity along the Ferny Creek corridor.



Indicative image of the proposed stadium.



Aerial view of the site



Indicative image of the proposed stadium forecourt, including seating and garden beds around selected existing trees.

# Have your say on what matters to you in Knox

We're currently seeking community feedback on the Draft Masterplan. Submit your feedback at knox.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay or call 03 9298 8000 and ask for the Open Space team.

HAVE YOUR SAY

Come and chat to us at Knox Regional Netball Centre Forecourt on Saturday 27 April 10am to 12noon