

# Epping North East Recreation Reserve Master Plan

The following section describes major site features and facilities (Figure 17)

## Open Space Link

The electrical transmission easement provides an open space and potential trail link between the ENERRR / Soccer Stadium Reserve area and future development areas to the north and east, including the proposed school.

1. Regional trail link
2. Trail link to neighbourhood Activity Centre
3. EVC compliant indigenous groundcover planting
4. Secondary road access that can be used at peak use times with lockable traffic barrier
5. Low shrub, groundcover & tree planting to reserve edge, allowing views from the residential street into the reserve

## Electrical Transmission Easement

Existing grassed transmission easement.

6. Overflow parking or temporary use area (subject to Authority approval)
7. Existing stony rise formation retained and enhanced through EVC planting where possible

## Regional Playground Precinct

New regional level play and passive recreation facility.

8. Paved entry and seating areas
9. BBQ and picnic area with planted pergola and seating
10. Public toilet (Exelloo type) with baby change & disability access features. The facility will have automatic locking that will operate during playground use times.
11. Toddler Playground (1 – 5 years) setting, fenced on the northern & eastern sides (min)
12. Junior and senior Playground (6 years +). No fencing preferred.
13. Playground car park – 63 spaces.
14. The 'Paved Forest' – a paved seating and informal play space where Red Gum tree planting and basalt forms are used as major design elements and as a visual reference to the natural character of the site.
15. Existing Red Gum surrounded within an indigenous garden
16. Path system – a combination of dedicated pedestrian paths and road / parking spaces that allow pedestrian movement around the site.

## The Link Reserve

Existing tree preservation reserve area that potentially acts as a recreation link between the Regional Playground setting and the RSL Sports & Conservation Precinct

17. Possible raised pavement slow point with pedestrian crossing.
18. Possible future shared path

## Netball & Basketball Precinct

A court sports area that will accommodate netball competition and informal basketball play and social use.

19. Netball courts (x2) with shelters and lighting
20. Casual seating & spectator area
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22. Pavilion to Council standard
23. Informal grassed recreation area
24. Low shrub & groundcover planting

## Football & Cricket Oval Precinct

Regional level football & cricket ovals and support facilities

25. Oval 2 spectator car park – 57 spaces
26. Pavilion player & spectator car park – 97 spaces
27. Maintenance access
28. Oval 2. Ovals 1 & 2 are 165m x 135m and oriented with Sport & Recreation Victoria Guidelines and lighting to club standard (minimum)
29. Pavilion to Council standard, including externally accessible public toilets and veranda shelters
30. Paved spectator viewing area
31. Social space including planted pergola, BBQ, seating walls and random bluestone feature paving
32. Stone retaining wall with remnant stony rise habitat area behind
33. Cricket practice nets (x3). Adjacent grassed area can be used for training purposes or for additional nets if required.
34. Main Car park North – 295 spaces
35. Access to overflow car parking area – 210 spaces

## Sports and Recreation Centre Precinct

Major sports centre including gymnasium, multi-use rooms and ancillary facilities. The building footprint is indicative only and based on a two level TRAC design option.

36. Main site entry at Champions Parade and Harvest Home Road will be signalled with the capacity for variable signal programming to accommodate peak use times.
37. Sports & Recreation Centre building
38. Main entry & meeting space
39. Bus & car drop off bay

40. Lawns and seating spaces
41. Main Car park South – 166 spaces

## **Epping Road Precinct**

42. Existing stony rise features rehabilitated with EVC compliant vegetation
43. Existing low lying areas developed as permanent or ephemeral wetlands. Water to be supplied through a combination of surface runoff and bio filtration runoff from road and car park paved surfaces
44. Possible pedestrian access to commercial development (likely restaurant)

## **Harvest Home Road Precinct**

45. New Red Gum planting on road edges, set back in informal groupings to allow greater clearances to traffic lanes and selected views to the ENERRR.

## **Tennis precinct**

This facility is likely to operate as a local level club on the basis of the number of courts. Parking requirements are met adjacent to the tennis courts.

46. Pavilion to Council standard with pergola and social space
47. Six tennis courts
48. Pavilion, player and spectator car park - 40 spaces

## **RSL Lawn Bowls & Commemorative Precinct**

49. Two new bowling greens maintained and operated by the RSL Club
50. New Bowls pavilion and viewing area
51. Possible new RSL commemorative setting or decorative garden space

## **RSL Southern Parklands precinct**

Parkland area with enhanced ecological and landscape functions.

52. New EVC planting to stony rise landscape areas
53. New permanent & ephemeral wetland areas based on existing site conditions
54. New path connections to the local & regional trail network

## **Epping Soccer Stadium Reserve Precinct**

55. Existing Soccer Stadium and facilities
56. Future car park proposed in the existing soccer precinct master plan

## **WSUD initiatives**

Water sensitive urban design will be incorporated through the following:

- Car parks will be developed with a system of surface runoff directed to bio filtration swales.

- Existing low lying areas at the edge of stony rise formations or in natural depressions will be developed as permanent or ephemeral wetlands.
- Water will be supplied through a combination of surface runoff and bio filtration runoff from road and car park paved surfaces
- Pavilions and the future Sports and Aquatic Centre will include water tanks, water recycling and water efficiency features such as water saving toilets and low water use appliances.
- Site trees will be passively watered by redirected runoff.
- Irrigation will be limited to specific intensive use areas – oval surfaces, the Regional Playground setting and the Sports & Aquatic Centre lawns.

## Conservation initiatives

Conservation and ecological values will be developed through the following initiatives:

- Protection and replanting of part of the existing stony rise features. The central stony rise area is significantly affected by the oval and pavilion development however a section of this feature will be retained around the cricket practice and social areas.
- Development of permanent and ephemeral wetland areas linked to the stony rise landscapes.
- The use of EVC compliant vegetation within the site.
- The use of water infiltration throughout the site to maintain soil conditions and minimise off site impacts. This can be achieved through directed runoff from parking areas into swale / bio-filtration trenches which discharge outlets via the proposed wetland system.

The maximum development of pedestrian / bicycle path systems to encourage pedestrian and bicycle use and minimise car use.