

 <b>Adelaide Plains Council</b>	<b>21.4</b>	<b>Hart Reserve – Proposed Masterplan</b>
	<b>Department:</b>  <b>Report Author:</b>	<b>Development and Community</b>  <b>General Manager - Development and Community</b>
<b>Date: 23 September 2019</b>	<b>Document Ref:</b>	<b>D19/34690</b>

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- Master planning for this important parcel of public open space in the centre of Two Wells has never occurred in its 123 year tenure.
- Previous versions of the Two Wells Main Street Design Guidelines have not considered the site as being part of the main street, even though there is good pedestrian and cycling linkage between the two via Petticoat Lane.
- It is recommended that Council develop a masterplan for Section 812 DP 113928 CR 5755/746 known as 'Hart Reserve', that Jensen Plus be engaged; including the consideration of linking this with the most recent main street master planning entitled '*Five Design moves attracting Future Investment and Activity*' – also undertaken for Council by Jensen Plus, earlier this year.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**“that Council, having considered Item 21.4 – *Hart Reserve Masterplan*, dated 23 September 2019, receives and notes the report and in doing so instructs the Chief Executive Officer to appoint the services of Jensen Plus to prepare a master plan for Hart Reserve.”**

## **BUDGET IMPACT**

Estimated Cost:	\$9,800 (GST excl.) less half the cost ie via \$1 for \$1 matching funding offer (up to \$5000), made available from the Two Wells Community Fund, First Round of grant money.
Future ongoing operating costs:	Subject to agreed improvement in amenity of the reserve
Is this Budgeted?	Yes

## **RISK ASSESSMENT**

The risk of adhoc decisions being made on possible future uses for the land and in isolation, is increased without a master plan for this important public open space in Two Wells.

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## **Attachments**

1. Adelaide Plains Council Community Land Classification Register excerpt
2. Project Proposal - Hart Reserve Master Plan – Jensen Plus
3. Community Land Management Plan – Recreation Reserves

## **DETAILED REPORT**

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider developing a master plan for Hart Reserve, and accept the proposed quote from Jensen Plus to proceed.

### **Background/History**

'Hart Reserve' is a largely undeveloped parcel of public open space, totalling 2.023 hectares in area, located on the corner of Gawler and Old Mallala Roads. The area is planted with native trees with a small garden bed, established and maintained by members of the local community.

The reserve is adjacent to the Two Wells Primary School providing a linked walking path to the western entrance, with an 'all weather' unsealed 'kiss and drop' zone for parents dropping off students.

The reserve was dedicated as a '*Reserve for District Council purposes*' in 1896 and is under the care, control and management of Council. Formerly used as a pound for wandering stock, the pound was closed in 1961 and the reserve was planted with native trees as part of a motion of Council in that same year.

A drain and stormwater pump was installed in the north-west corner around 2016 to capture water run-off from Gawler Road and then pump this across to a culvert that empties into a drain along Windmill Road. A second open drain runs along the northern boundary and is the outlet from the Primary School. Water runs into the drain down to Mallala Road and flows onto the kerb and into the gutter. The drain regularly becomes blocked with rubbish and vegetative material.

Aside from the pathway to the school and the vehicle driveway/drop off zone, little has been undertaken on the reserve. As community land, Hart Reserve must have a management plan as defined in the Local Government Act 1999 (Section 196) (Attachment 1). Hart Reserve is included within Management Plan 3: Recreation Reserves (MP3) out of Councils nine Community Land Management Plan (CLMP). The main purpose of the MP3 is to guide the management of Recreation Reserves including recreation parks and linear parks that have a recreation focus (Attachment 3).

The Recreation Reserves in the Adelaide Plains Council are held as Community Land for the following reasons:

- To provide recreation destinations for community and visitors
- To cater for diverse informal recreation activities (picnics, play, casual sports)
- To support physical activity through walking, cycling, jogging and horse riding through the linear open space and trails
- To provide less developed places for rest and relaxation, including stop off area for visitors
- To contribute to the landscape and biodiversity value of open space (trees and plantings).

Recreation Reserves could include:

- Recreation parks and linear parks comprising significant improvements (amenities, trails, play spaces, exercise equipment, paths, shelters, seating)

- Less developed parks and reserves that contribute through their landscape appeal or open space connection value.

In 2016 the Community Land Management Plans were developed as part of an Open Space Strategy to provide a framework for the management, preservation and protection of open spaces. It is important to ensure that reserves are appropriately developed and managed. Hart Reserve is the largest and major dedicated public reserve for the local community in Two Wells. Should a master plan be supported and undertaken, this will provide better guidance in regard to future uses proposed for Hart Reserve.

## **Discussion**

Reserves are great community assets adding value and provide a focus for community activities, social gatherings and events. Reserves with trails parks support physical activity and all reserves add landscape value to the district. Hart Reserve is the largest dedicated public reserve in Two Wells and in close proximity to the main street, and is an important yet underutilised space.

The master planning of the reserve is an exciting opportunity for the Adelaide Plains Council to help make a low amenity and underutilised piece of public open space more usable and amenable, for the enjoyment of the community. It will guide its future ensuring the space is retained and meets the need of the growing population and the town.

Improvements could include new shrub and tree planting, furniture, pathways and pedestrian linkages, lighting improved road interface and possibly some play infrastructure incorporating an indicative design for a pump track, which could initially be temporary as a way of testing its popularity and level of use.

Water-sensitive urban design (WSUD) is a land planning and engineering design approach which integrates the urban water cycle, including stormwater, groundwater and wastewater management and water supply, into urban design to minimise environmental degradation and improve aesthetic and recreational appeal. Existing drains at the reserve could have water storage retention tanks and/or basins installed with the capacity to assist with the sustainability of a higher amenity reserve. The open drain is often laden with litter and this would need to be addressed as part of any future design.

The master plan can be designed to allow for staged implementation over time and delivered to suit budget and external funding opportunities.

## **Conclusion**

- Over the 123 year history of this central parcel of public open space in Two Wells it has never been master planned, so the time is right to consider doing so.
- Although there is good pedestrian and cycling linkage between the reserve and the main street via Petticoat Lane, previous versions of the Two Wells Main Street Design Guidelines have not considered the site as being part of the main street. This can now be rectified.

- A master planning exercise including public consultation, in particular with adjoining land owners, should be done for 'Hart Reserve'; including the consideration of linking this with the most recent main street master planning entitled '*Five Design moves attracting Future Investment and Activity*'.
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## **References**

### Legislation

*Local Government Act 1999*

### Council Policies/Plans

*Open Space Plan (2016)*

*Community Land Management Plan – Recreation Reserves*

*Five Design moves attracting Future Investment and Activity – Two Wells Main Street Design Guidelines*

## EXCERPT COMMUNITY LAND REGISTER: VOLUME 1 - COMMUNITY LAND - RECREATION RESERVES - TWO WELLS

Asset Number	CLMP Definition	Map Reference	Common Name	Street	Town	Specific	Certificate of Title	Parcel	Owner	Custodian	Tenure	Reservations / Dedications	Native Title Status	Community Land Classification	Zoning	Acquisition Date (year)	Asset Size (sqm)	General Description	Lessee
105	Recreation Reserves	MP3	<b>Hart Reserve</b>	Corner Gawler Road and Old Mallala Road	Two Wells	<b>Reserve</b>	CR 5755/746 Gaz 27/2/1896	Section 812	The Crown	<b>Adelaide Plains Council</b>	Care & Control	<b>Dedicated for use as a Council Reserve</b>	Yes	Community	Residential Zone	1896	20,230	Large corner reserve with some trees planted.	Nil
108	Recreation Reserves	MP3	Two Wells Dog Park	Wells Road	Two Wells	Dog Park	CR 5984/729	Allotment 53	The Crown	Adelaide Plains Council	Care & Control	Nil	Yes	Community	Town Centre Zone	1982	25,080	Near regular shaped inside allotment near level, fenced off for Off Leash Dog Park with small shelter.	Nil
111	Recreation Reserves	MP3	Two Wells Rose Gardens	Old Port Wakefield Road	Two Wells	Public Toilets	Part CR 5755/739 Gaz 16/7/1970	Section 713	The Crown	Adelaide Plains Council	Care & Control	Dedicated for use as a Council Reserve	Yes	Community	Town Centre Zone	1970	506	Small regular shaped inside allotment, near level comprising toilet block and raised garden.	Nil

Attachment 2 - Confidential



# COMMUNITY LAND MANAGEMENT PLANS

## OPEN SPACE PLAN

SEPTEMBER 2016





## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The District Council of Mallala has made a commitment to planning for open space and reserves through this Open Space Plan and a review of its Community Land Management Plans.

The planning has been supported through grant funding by the Office for Recreation and Sport.

The development of the plans has been managed by Council's Strategic Projects Team.

Council's Elected Members have contributed to the study and community members have also contributed through their participation in planning sessions in Dublin, Mallala and Two Wells and through a community survey.

The project has been led by Warwick Keates of WAX Design and Suzanne Suter of Suter Planners. The master planning of the sportsgrounds, mapping and liaison on GIS data has been undertaken by WAX Design.

## **CONTEXT**

Introduction

Plan 1: Major Sport and Recreation Precincts

Plan 2: Natural and Coastal Areas

Plan 3: Recreation Reserves

Plan 4: Other Sport and Recreation Facilities

Plan 5: Community Facilities

Plan 6: Formal and Memorial Gardens

Plan 7: Culturally Significant and Historic Areas

Plan 8: Cemeteries

Plan 9: Stormwater Management

District Council of Murrumbidgee Community Land Register

## Introduction

The Open Space Plan includes two report volumes as shown in the diagram on this page.

The study has involved a review of Council's Community Land Management Plans which is directly linked to Council's Community Land Register.

### Background Report

Information and findings that justify the directions including Research, Opportunities and Open Space Listing



### Directions Report

All directions including Vision, Themes, Objectives, Strategic Directions and Recreation Precinct Plan



### Community Land Management Plans

Community Land is defined in The Local Government Act 1999 (the Act) as, 'All local government land (except roads) that is owned by a council or is under the council's care, control and management'. The Community Land Management Plans have been developed in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1999.

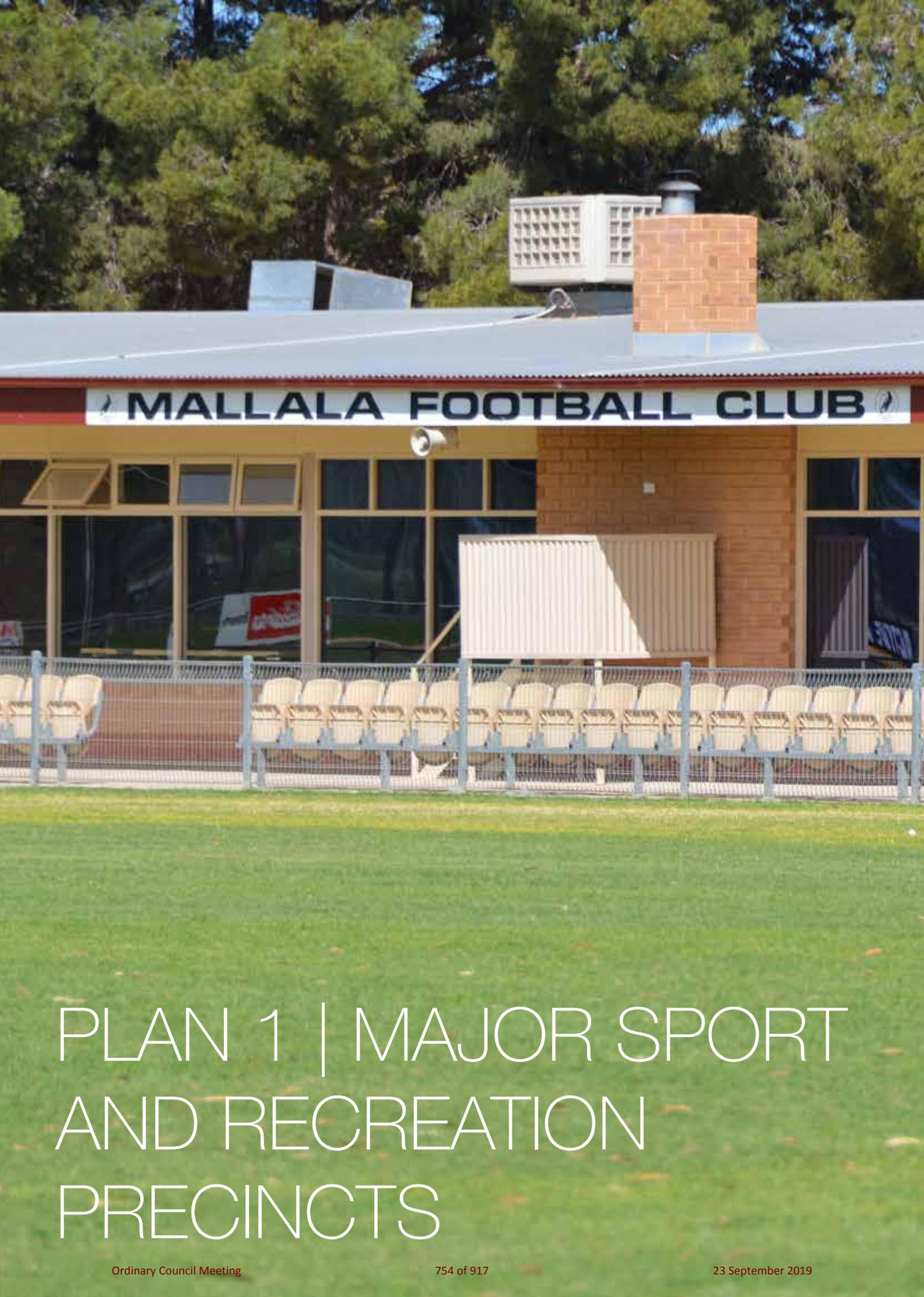
Reviewing and developing the Community Land Management Plans has involved combining some Plans and identifying new Community Land Management Plan titles. The previous and new Community Land Management Plan titles are outlined in the chart on this page.

Nine Community Land Management Plans (CLMP's) have been developed as follows:

- Plan 1: Major Sport and Recreation Precincts
- Plan 2: Natural and Coastal Areas
- Plan 3: Recreation Reserves
- Plan 4: Other Sport and Recreation Facilities
- Plan 5: Community Facilities
- Plan 6: Formal and Memorial Gardens
- Plan 7: Culturally Significant and Historic Areas
- Plan 8: Cemeteries
- Plan 9: Stormwater Management

The following table shows the previous CLMP titles and the link to the recommended new CLMP titles.

Previous CLMP Definition	New CLMP Definitions
Cemeteries	Cemeteries
Community Buildings	Community Facilities
Two Wells Car Park Land	Culturally Significant and Historic Areas
Historic Wells Reserve	Culturally Significant and Historic Areas
Formal Gardens	Formal and Memorial Gardens
Mallala Museum Gardens	Culturally Significant and Historic Areas
Undeveloped Open Space / Reserves with Minor Improvements	Recreation Reserves
Council Parks – Major Improvements	Recreation Reserves
Port Parham Sports and Social Club	Community Facilities
Sports / Recreation Facilities	Other Sport and Recreation Facilities
Stormwater Management	Stormwater Management
<i>New Plan Title</i>	Major Sport and Recreation Precincts
<i>New Plan Title</i>	Natural and Coastal Areas



MALLALA FOOTBALL CLUB

# PLAN 1 | MAJOR SPORT AND RECREATION PRECINCTS

# DISTRICT COUNCIL OF MALLALA

## MANAGEMENT PLAN 1

### *MAJOR SPORT AND RECREATION PRECINCTS*

September 2016

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#### **PURPOSE OF THE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

The Local Government Act 1999 requires the development of Management Plans for all land that is owned by a council or under the Council's care, control and management and classified as Community Land. This includes the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts across the District Council of Mallala that are defined as Community Land.

The main purpose of this Management Plan is to guide the management and future development of the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts located in Two Wells, Mallala and Dublin. The Major Sport and Recreation Precincts Management Plan will contribute to achieving a coordinated and consistent approach to managing and improving the major sportsgrounds in the District.

The Management Plan will support the implementation of master plans that have been developed for each Major Sport and Recreation Precinct as part of Council's Open Space Plan 2016. The Management Plans reflect community consultations undertaken through the open space planning.

Specifically, the Management Plan outlines the purpose of the major sport and recreation precincts and identifies objectives, policies and proposals recommended in the master planning as well as performance targets in accordance with the requirements of Section 196 of the Local Government Act.

#### **IDENTIFICATION DETAILS**

The three Major Sport and Recreation Precincts to which this Management Plan relates to includes:

- Two Wells Sport and Recreation Precinct
- Mallala Sport and Recreation Precinct
- Dublin Sport and Recreation Precinct

The location of these precincts in the District and a site plan and aerial of each sport and recreation precinct are provided in the Community Land Register.

## OWNERSHIP DETAILS

All three Major Sport and Recreation Precincts are owned and managed by the District Council of Mallala as highlighted in the Community Land Register. Whilst partnerships with sport and community groups are required to manage the precincts, the three sites are ultimately owned by Council.

The Community Land Register outlines:

- The owner of the land.
- The zoning and size of the land.
- The Tenure of the land and details of any trust, reservation, dedication or other restriction affecting the land.

## PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE LAND IS HELD

The main purpose of the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts is to provide communities across the District Council of Mallala with diverse and good quality opportunities to participate in sport and active recreation.

The Major Sport and Recreation Precincts cater for all age groups and family types within the towns and the surrounding districts. They provide a destination for sport and recreation as well as a place for social and community activities and community interaction.

Due to the spread of the population across the District Council of Mallala it is important to provide sport and recreation precincts in each of the three main towns in the District. Collectively they will cater for communities across the District Council of Mallala.

## REASON WHY MANAGEMENT PLAN IS REQUIRED

Developing Management Plans for Community Land is a requirement of Section 196 of the Local Government Act. In addition, a Management Plan will formally guide the use, management and development of Community Land, as resources become available and in accordance with other Council policy and priorities.

As the District Council of Mallala population increases in size there will be a need to improve and expand the Two Wells Sport and Recreation Precincts to support the existing and future communities. The other Sport and Recreation Precincts in Mallala and Dublin will justify improvements over time. The Management Plan will guide these improvements.

The land within the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts has been, or is to be, specifically modified or adapted for the benefit or enjoyment of the community and will therefore require directions relating to future improvements, usage and management.

The Major Sport and Recreation Precincts are significant parcels of Community Land with common aims, facility components and management practices. As such, it is appropriate to develop one Management Plan to guide the future management of the three Precincts.

## RELATIONSHIP TO COUNCIL PLANNING AND POLICIES

The Management Plan for the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts is consistent with Council policies and in particular it draws on the Council's Open Space Plan completed in August 2016. The Open Space Plan has considered and reflected broader planning including Council's overriding Strategic Plan 2013-2016.

As part of the Open Space Plan, master plans have been developed for each of the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts to guide developments and improvements to each Precinct. The master plans and their relevant directions are incorporated within this Management Plan.

## KEY OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

### Overriding Direction

Council's Open Space Plan 2016 includes an overriding direction for Sport and Recreation Precincts and Facilities which is relevant to the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts. The direction below indicates the broad objective for the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts.

Sport and Recreation Precincts and Facilities Direction:

Improve the quality and function of the main sportsgrounds in the District in accordance with the Sport and Recreation Precinct Master Plans in this Plan and adequately cater for other sport and recreation needs including for future communities.

Source: Open Space Plan 2016

### Key Objectives

The key objectives for the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts are as follows:

- To provide well designed and good quality sport and recreation destinations in the main towns of Two Wells, Mallala and Dublin to meet the needs of communities across the District Council of Mallala.
- To expand and improve the design, function and quality of the Two Wells Sport and Recreation Precinct to create a higher level facility, support events and cater for future population growth in the town and the surrounding areas.
- To improve the function and quality of the Sport and Recreation Precincts in Mallala and Dublin over time to support participation in activity and provide destinations for the surrounding communities.
- To ensure the appropriate use and management of the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts in partnership with community groups.

## PROPOSALS FOR MANAGEMENT OF THE LAND

Master plans have been developed for each of the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts.

The master plans for each Precinct in Two Wells, Mallala and Dublin, and listings of the recommended projects and directions relating to each master plan, are presented on the following pages.

These master plans and the project listings are the 'proposals for the management of the Major Sport and Recreation Precinct land'.

Note that the numbers in each listing match the numbering on the relevant master plan drawing.

The basis of the master plan directions is provided in Council's Open Space Plan (Volume 1 of the Plan for Open Space and Community Land Management).

A strategic and coordinated approach to achieving the master plans and managing the land will be required. This will include community groups continuing to play a lead role in guiding the improvements and the use and management of facilities and the land.

Ongoing and regular maintenance and management will also be required to ensure the land and the facilities are maintained to a high standard in accordance with the 'Precinct' level of the sportsgrounds.

## TENANCIES ALLOCATED FOR THE LAND

Council will continue to allocate leases and licences to guide the use, management and improvement of the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts and the related sport and recreation facilities. A partnership approach to managing the land and its facilities will be required to achieve quality Sport and Recreation Precincts.

Formal lease and licence arrangements will be established that clearly outline responsibilities and Council will monitor activities to ensure the terms and conditions of the agreements are appropriately met.

Details of the tenancies allocated at each Major Sport and Recreation Precinct are provided in the Community Land Register.

## Master Plan Directions for the Two Wells Sport and Recreation Precinct

1. Provide vehicular access to an event space
2. Establish a pedestrian connection to the main street development
3. Plan for a new skate park (potentially linked to the outdoor courts and in a high profile safe and accessible location)
4. Create a flexible hard standing area (future site for an indoor sport and aquatic facility if feasible)
5. Provide shelters for spectators
6. Relocate the existing Netball Courts to be closer to the main sports building and oval
7. Relocate the Cricket Nets so they are better positioned
8. Modification and extension of the Community Centre (to meet community needs)
9. Review tree removal practices (need to minimise and manage impacts on structures)
10. Create a Multi-Use Practice area
11. Establish a New Multi-Use Oval with lighting on the existing undeveloped land for training use and potentially other sports such as soccer or hockey (linked to expansion of the sportsground)
12. Upgrade the playspace to support main street activity
13. Reinforce pedestrian access to the Oval
14. Improve landscape amenity (trees, shade, drought tolerant plants)
15. Reduce the entrance area and rationalise access (this will assist in managing access on game days)
16. Rationalised car park with landscape treatments
17. Maintain the landscape edge of the sportsground and review drainage and flooding
18. Provide for and maintain service access
19. Create a new Playspace (with landscaping) within the sportsground
20. Integrate new toilet into the club building (as part of future expansion)
21. Provide service and local traffic access
22. Create a landscaped pedestrian plaza around the sports buildings and facilities
23. Provide for service access
24. Provide Overflow Parking
25. Upgrade playing field lighting

The numbering of each project connects to the numbers on the master plan on the following page.

Note that drainage will also need to be addressed across the site as part of reviewing and implementing the Two Wells Stormwater Management Plan.

# Two Wells Oval



## Master Plan Directions for the Mallala Sport and Recreation Precinct

1. Maintain the landscape edge around the sportsground
2. Maintain the landscape setting (picnic area) and upgrade the gazebo near the outdoor courts
3. Rationalise the carpark with accessible disabled parking and improved drainage
4. Provide new signage
5. Review the outdoor court surface and use and consider the potential for a multi-use court (basketball) and increased pedestrian entrances.
6. Create a pedestrian plaza (with improved drainage and landscaping) between the buildings and facilities
7. Relocate and improve the skate facility
8. Establish a new shelter and BBQ area
9. Redevelop the playspace (to be higher level)
10. Continue to support the upgrade of the club facilities to maintain function and quality (including verandah)
11. Retain the cricket nets and improve drainage and landscape amenity around the net area (including provide seating)
12. Integrate the emergency services parking into the paved areas
13. Allow for informal vehicular access (closed on match days)
14. Maintain the toilet near the recreation and camping area to support visitors (and connect to CWMS water supply)
15. Link a picnic setting to the camping area
16. Install an effluent disposal point
17. Establish a designated caravan entrance (with signage) linked to a designated RV/ Camping Zone
18. Establish an RV/ Camping Zone Approx. 10,800m<sup>2</sup>
19. Recognise the Community Waste Water Management System
20. Consider an off leash dog park with improved landscaping (utilising overflow/soakage from CWMS for irrigation) Approx. 12,400m<sup>2</sup>
21. Maintain the fenced boundary
22. Include an overflow parking area and support access to the off leash area (near the CWMS land)

The numbering of each project connects to the numbers on the master plan on the following page.



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metres



Major vehicular links



Secondary vehicular links



Pedestrian links



New vegetation (tree planting)

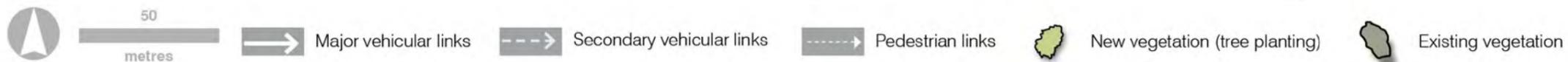


Existing vegetation

## Master Plan Directions for the Dublin Sport and Recreation Precinct

1. Provide new signage
2. Support the establishment of new club rooms (relocate the existing)
3. Improve the playspace
4. Facilitate the maintenance and upgrade the toilets (review their asset life)
5. Establish an area for youth (skate/ multi-use courts) or create an RV area (to be reviewed)
6. Improve the landscape edge of the sportsground
7. Develop a secondary entrance to improve traffic movement
8. Connection to The Parklands through pathway connections
9. Maintain and enhance BMX
10. Create a Bush Camping Area
11. Increase the landscape amenity and ecological value of the land to the west of the bush camping area
12. Maintain existing cricket nets (to support junior teams)
13. Increase the landscape edge of the eastern side of the sportsground
14. Create a new one way exit
15. Maintain and improve the oval
16. Allow for additional parking for match day
17. Improve the drainage to the edge of oval
18. Increase landscape amenity of the area between the oval and the camping area
19. Create a feature landscape (mounding) and viewing mound to create destination near the bush camping area
20. Maintain the oval car park with good access to all facilities

The numbering of each project connects to the numbers on the master plan on the following page.



## PERFORMANCE TARGETS AND MEASUREMENTS

Relevant performance targets and measures for the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts are provided below.

Focus or Facility	Performance Targets	Performance Measures
Two Wells Sport and Recreation Precinct	Implement the master plan for the Two Wells Sport and Recreation Precinct and achieve: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. An expanded sportsground with additional sports field areas (giving consideration to the function of the sportsground and the needs of existing users)</li> <li>2. A redesign of the sportsground and in particular relocation of the tennis courts</li> <li>3. Modifications and improvements to existing facilities</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Expanded sportsground achieved</li> <li>2. Tennis courts relocated</li> <li>3. Modifications and improvements achieved over time</li> </ol>
Mallala Sport and Recreation Precinct	Implement the master plan for the Mallala Sport and Recreation Precinct and achieve: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Modifications and improvements to existing facilities over time</li> <li>2. Improved pedestrian movement</li> <li>3. Upgrade and expansion of camping area</li> <li>4. Enhanced picnic area and amenities linked to the camping area</li> <li>5. Relocated recreation and youth spaces</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Modifications and improvements achieved over time</li> <li>2. Safe pedestrian movement</li> <li>3. Upgraded camping and picnic area</li> <li>4. High use by children and youth for recreation</li> </ol>
Dublin Sport and Recreation Precinct	Implement the master plan for the Dublin Sport and Recreation Precinct and achieve: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Modifications and improvements to existing facilities over time</li> <li>2. Enhancement of bush camping area</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Modifications and improvements achieved over time</li> <li>2. Bush camping area well used</li> </ol>

The implementation of the master plans will continue to be reviewed on an annual basis and the status of the master plans will be recorded.

Opportunities for grant funding will be sought on an ongoing basis to achieve the directions in the master planning for each Major Sport and Recreation Precinct.



# PLAN 2 | NATURAL AND COASTAL AREAS

# DISTRICT COUNCIL OF MALLALA

## MANAGEMENT PLAN 2

### *NATURAL AND COASTAL AREAS*

September 2016

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#### **PURPOSE OF THE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

The Local Government Act 1999 requires the development of Management Plans for all land that is owned by a council or under the Council's care, control and management, and is classified as Community Land. This includes all natural and coastal areas located within the District Council of Mallala that are defined as Community Land.

The main purpose of the Management Plan is to guide the management of the natural and coastal areas to ensure these lands remain a valuable natural resource for existing and future generations.

The Management Plan will ultimately contribute to strengthening the biodiversity and sustainability of the natural and coastal areas in the District. The Plan will also contribute to protecting areas of environmental and heritage significance, including Aboriginal heritage associated with waterways, the coast and natural areas.

The Natural and Coastal Areas Management Plan will ensure a coordinated and consistent approach to managing Community Land in the District that has a natural or coastal focus. This will include:

- Conserving and protecting natural and coastal environments
- Managing access and use
- Sensitively undertaking improvements
- Protecting the heritage value of the coastline and natural areas (e.g. Aboriginal heritage)
- Considering opportunities to respond to climate change through natural areas
- Identifying, conserving and managing native vegetation along roadsides

The Management Plan outlines the purpose of the natural and coastal areas and identifies objectives, policies and proposals. The directions in the Management Plan reflect recent open space and coastal planning and related community consultations undertaken by the District Council of Mallala.

## IDENTIFICATION DETAILS

The Management Plan primarily relates to coastal open space, riparian lands along the Gawler River, River Light and Salt Creek, and natural bushland.

The Natural and Coastal Areas Management Plan relates to:

- Naturally vegetated and undeveloped land along the Mallala coastline.
- Land within riparian corridors and along natural watercourses including rivers, lakes, wetlands and other water bodies.
- Undeveloped native and indigenous bushland areas.
- Natural areas with infrastructure improvements (trails, seating, signage, interpretation).
- Improved land within or near coastal settlements and destinations including land that supports boat ramps, picnic settings viewing areas, amenities and walking trails.
- Other natural and coastal lands.

Some of the coastal land will be linked to the settlements along the coastline including at Middle Beach, Webb Beach, Parham and Thompson Beach.

The most significant Natural and Coastal Areas Community Land includes:

- The Sapphire Coast (Conservation Reserve, Crown Land)
- Port Prime Conservation Reserve (Conservation Reserve, Crown Land)
- Part of The Heritage Parklands in Dublin (Council owned, in Trust to be used as Parklands)
- Other areas with natural value such as Light River Estuary, Light Beach, Point Gawler, and the clay pans and beach areas used by shorebirds

A listing of the land that is subject to the Natural and Coastal Areas Management Plan is provided in the Community Land Register.

## OWNERSHIP DETAILS

The natural and coastal land that is subject to this Management Plan includes:

- Crown Land that is under Council's care, control and management.
- Land owned by the District Council of Mallala.

The details of ownership are outlined in the Community Land Register. Specifically, the Community Land Register includes:

- The owner of the land
- The zoning and size of the land
- The Tenure of the land and details of any trust, reservation, dedication or other restriction affecting the land
- Identification of land that is subject to a Native Land Title claim

## ABORIGINAL AND NATIVE TITLE CONSIDERATIONS

The Culturally Significant and Historic Areas will be subject to the requirements of the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1988 and the Native Title Act 1993. Particular consideration should be given to the Kurna Peoples Native Title Claim (SAD6001/00) and the need to protect and appropriately manage land and sites with Aboriginal significance.

## PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE LAND IS HELD

The natural and coastal areas in the District Council of Mallala are held as Community Land for the following reasons:

- To protect and conserve the unique natural coastline and natural environments within the District.
- To provide diverse open spaces including natural settings that support active communities and provide opportunities for people to connect to nature.
- To contribute to protecting environments and habitat for shorebirds and other birds and wildlife.
- To protect Aboriginal sites of significance and appropriately manage the natural and coastal areas in accordance with the requirements of the Kurna Peoples Native Title Claim and the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1988.
- To preserve European heritage related to the coast, waterways and natural environments.
- To contribute to addressing climate change including potential rises in the sea level.

Overall, the natural and coastal areas contribute to the diversity and uniqueness of the District Council of Mallala and have high environmental and heritage value.

## REASON WHY THE MANAGEMENT PLAN IS REQUIRED

Developing Management Plans for Community Land is a requirement of Section 196 of the Local Government Act. In addition, a Management Plan will formally guide the use, management and development of Community Land, as resources become available and in accordance with other Council policy and priorities.

Currently the District Council of Mallala is responsible for the management of:

- 212.8 hectares of coastal community land (mostly undeveloped)
- 35.8 hectares of other natural areas (e.g. bushland, riparian land)

Collectively the natural and coastal Community Land totals 248.6 hectares, which represents 42% of all Community Land in the District Council of Mallala.

Much of the natural and coastal Community Land is environmentally significant and justifies protection, conservation and/or sensitive management. The coastal areas contribute to the function of the Samphire Coast, which is a significant shorebird destination and conservation area.

The protection and management of these lands through their Community Land classification is essential. Accordingly, the appropriate management of Natural and Coastal Areas Community Land through this Management Plan is a high priority for the District Council of Mallala and its community, as well as other levels of Government and environmental groups.

## RELATIONSHIP TO COUNCIL PLANNING AND POLICIES

The Management Plan for the Natural and Coastal Areas is consistent with Council policies and in particular it draws on the Council's Open Space Plan completed in August 2016. The Open Space Plan has considered and reflects broader planning including Council's overriding Strategic Plan 2013-2016.

In addition, the Management Plan reflects planning and consultations relating to the coastline and specific natural areas including:

- Coastal Access Strategy
- Coastal Settlements Adaptation Study
- Climate Change Vulnerability Report
- Native Vegetation and Biodiversity information and directions
- Samphire Coast information
- Gawler River Open Space Strategy
- Riverine Access Plan
- Other plans including those developed by other levels of government or groups, e.g. MANCAP, Light River Estuary Action Plan, Light Beach Action Plan, Parham Action Plan, Shorebird Management and Conservation Plan

## KEY OBJECTIVES OF THE PLAN

### Overriding Objective

Council's Open Space Plan 2016 includes an overriding direction for 'The Coast, Rivers and the Environment' and this is appropriate to use as the overriding objective for natural and coastal areas. The overriding objective is therefore as below.

The Coast, Rivers and the Environment Direction:

Protect, conserve and enhance natural environments within the District Council of Mallala with a particular focus on the coastline, Gawler River, River Light, distinctive natural settings and indigenous and native vegetation (including along roadsides).

Source: Open Space Plan 2016

### Specific Objectives

The specific objectives for Natural and Coastal Areas are as follows:

- To protect, conserve and strengthen the sustainability of the natural and coastal areas within the District Council of Mallala.
- To strengthen natural ecosystems, biodiversity and habitat value relating to the natural and coastal areas.
- To manage the use of and access to natural and coastal areas as part of protecting natural environments.
- To ensure improvements to natural and coastal areas are consistent with the environmental and heritage values.
- To preserve Aboriginal and European heritage related to the natural and coastal areas.
- To contribute to climate change adaptation and mitigation through the natural environments and coast.
- To appropriately manage and conserve native and remnant vegetation along roadsides.
- To contribute to increasing community awareness of the value of natural and coastal areas and the related heritage of the land.
- To contribute to the broader objectives and achievements of environmental organisations that have an interest in the District, e.g. relating to the International Bird Sanctuary.

## PROPOSALS FOR MANAGEMENT OF THE LAND

The main proposals relating to the management of the Natural and Coastal Areas Community Land are outlined below. The management proposals are based on Council's Open Space Plan which involved consultations with the community. Where a proposal relates to a specific site, this is highlighted.

### Conservation Projects

- Undertake and support conservation projects such as coastal rehabilitation and bush regeneration projects including by supporting community groups.

### Managed Access

- Develop and implement a Coastal Access Strategy in accordance with the Open Space Plan 2016 recommendations.
- Define areas where access requires management and undertake initiatives that achieve the appropriate level of access, e.g. through bollards, signage and information.

### Strengthened Vegetation

- Increase the planting and rehabilitation of vegetation within natural coastal areas, land that incorporates indigenous vegetation, river systems and undeveloped land within and around towns (e.g. to achieve urban forests), including through community projects.

### Management of the Samphire Coast

- Support existing plans and participate in conservation projects relating to the Samphire Coast.

### Strengthened River Systems

- Implement the Gawler River Open Space Strategy and in particular undertake projects that strengthen the biodiversity and habitat value of the Gawler River and River Light.

### Enhanced Bushland Areas

- Undertake projects that strengthen the biodiversity and sustainability of natural areas with a particular focus on The Parklands in Dublin, Rockie Reserve, Bakers Wetland and Barabba Scrub.

### Enhanced Visitor Areas

- Plan for appropriate and sensitively designed infrastructure in natural areas that have a visitor focus and where community access is appropriate (e.g. viewing areas, boat ramps, walking opportunities), with a particular focus on natural surface trails, low key seating and shelters, and innovative signage and interpretation.
- Undertake improvements to Middle Beach including paths and controlled vehicle access.

**Strengthened Heritage**

- Identify, protect and where appropriate inform the community and visitors of the Aboriginal and other heritage values associated with natural and coastal areas.

**Roadside Vegetation Management**

- Undertake a program of identifying and appropriately managing native and remnant vegetation along roadsides (including the identification of habitat corridors and priority roadsides).

**Community Awareness**

- With other organisations, provide information and promote the values of the natural and coastal areas to the community and visitors through various promotional material, web sites, on-site interpretation and other means.

**Planning Implementation**

- Implement plans and policies that contribute to achieving the objectives and directions in the Natural and Coastal Areas Management Plan including the focus on climate change (refer Relationship to Council Planning and Policies).
- Implement the Coastal Settlements Adaptation Study and undertake initiatives that respond to coastal issues, e.g. sea rise implications.

**Collaborative Partnerships**

- Identify, build and strengthen collaborative partnerships with the NRM Board, International Bird Sanctuary, Birdlife Australia and other agencies that have an interest in the coast and natural areas to ensure that projects and activities are mutually beneficial.

**TENANCIES ALLOCATED FOR THE LAND**

Generally formalised tenancies (leases and licences) will not be allocated to natural and coastal areas due to the overall commitment to protecting and managing the use of Community Land that has a natural or heritage value in the District.

However, Council may consider appropriate short term or other lease or licence arrangements that benefit the management and natural value of the natural and coastal areas. Such arrangements would need to be considered on a case by case basis and the benefits would need to be clearly defined and promoted to the community.

Instead partnerships will be established with community groups to enable and encourage groups to contribute to maintaining, protecting and appropriately managing the natural and coastal areas.

## PERFORMANCE TARGETS AND MEASUREMENTS

Relevant performance targets and measures for Natural and Coastal Areas are provided below.

Focus	Performance Targets	Performance Measures
Conservation Projects	Be involved in or support conservation projects.	Participation in or facilitation of at least one conservation project each financial year.
Managed Access	Develop Coastal Access Strategy.	Implementation underway by 2017.
Strengthened Vegetation	Undertake rehabilitation and urban forest projects.	At least one rehabilitation or urban forest project each financial year.
Samphire Coast	Samphire Coast conservation project involvement.	Ongoing support or involvement.
River Systems	Implement projects connected to Plans for the rivers (Gawler River and River Light).	Projects underway by 2017 and aim for at least one project each financial year.
Bushland Areas	Plan for and implement biodiversity and habitat projects.	Aim for at least one project each financial year.
Visitor Areas	Undertake infrastructure planning as part of detailed design.	Aim for at least one project underway each financial year.
Heritage	Develop a strategy for heritage areas and approaches.	Strategy developed and underway by 2017.
Roadside Vegetation	Establish a program of roadside native vegetation conservation and management.	Roadside vegetation program established and underway by the end of 2018.
Coastal Settlements	Implement the Coastal Settlements Adaptation Study and manage coastal impacts through various initiatives.	Adaptation initiatives implemented.
Community Awareness	Develop and guide promotion material and interpretation in partnership with other organisations.	Promotion material and interpretation developed.
Other Planning Implementation	Implement related plans and strategies including climate change initiatives.	Approaches and directions adopted and implemented.
International Bird Sanctuary	Aim for on-going communication and involvement with the International Bird Sanctuary.	Ongoing support or involvement achieved.
Funding and Resources	Pursue grant funding and project resources on an ongoing basis to achieve management proposals.	Funding and resources achieved each year to enable initiatives.
Partnerships	Establish partnerships with community groups, environmental groups and other levels of government.	Partnerships formed and outcomes achieved.

Some of the Performance Targets and Performance Measures could be related e.g. a conservation or vegetation project could relate to more than one Performance Measure. Also, some Performance Targets could be achieved by community groups and supported by Council. Resources will be required to implement the various plans and achieve initiatives.



# PLAN 3 | RECREATION RESERVES

# DISTRICT COUNCIL OF MALLALA

## MANAGEMENT PLAN 3

### *RECREATION RESERVES*

September 2016

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#### **PURPOSE OF THE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

The Local Government Act 1999 requires the development of Management Plans for all land that is owned by a council or under the Council's care, control and management, and is classified as Community Land. This includes all recreation reserves located within the District Council of Mallala that are defined as Community Land.

The main purpose of this Management Plan is to guide the management of Recreation Reserves including recreation parks and linear parks that have a recreation focus.

The Recreation Reserves Management Plan will contribute to achieving a coordinated and consistent approach to managing recreation reserves across the District. In addition, the Management Plan will contribute to guiding the development of recreation destinations across the District Council of Mallala as recommended in the Council's Open Space Plan 2016.

Specifically the Recreation Reserves Management Plan will guide the management of facilities and infrastructure located within recreation reserves, including trails, playspaces, activity areas, amenities, lighting, shelters, seating, paths and other infrastructure.

It should be noted that some recreation facilities and spaces will also be addressed through other Management Plans. For example:

- Recreation and play spaces located within the major sport and recreation precincts will be subject to the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts Management Plan.
- Some linear parks could be part of a Natural Area corridor and therefore consideration would also need to be given to the Natural and Coastal Areas Management Plan.

This Management Plan outlines the purpose of the recreation reserves and identifies relevant objectives, policies and proposals. The directions in the Management Plan reflect recent open space planning and related community consultations undertaken by the District Council of Mallala.

## IDENTIFICATION DETAILS

The Recreation Reserves Management Plan relates to:

- Recreation Parks
- Linear Parks and Trails (where the primary focus is recreation)

Some trails will be part of natural linear corridors such as the Gawler River and the community land linked to these trails will also be subject to the Natural and Coastal Areas Management Plan.

A listing of the land that is subject to the Recreation Reserves Management Plan is provided in the Community Land Register.

## OWNERSHIP DETAILS

The recreation reserves land that is subject to this Management Plan will include:

- Land that is owned by the District Council of Mallala
- Crown Land that is under Council's care, control and management

The details of ownership are outlined in the Community Land Register. Specifically, the Community Land Register includes:

- The owner of the land
- The zoning and size of the land
- The Tenure of the land
- Details of any trust, reservation, dedication or other restriction affecting the land

## PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE LAND IS HELD

The recreation reserves in the District Council of Mallala are held as Community Land for the following reasons:

- To provide recreation destinations for the community and visitors.
- To cater for diverse informal recreation activities (picnics, play, casual sports).
- To support physical activity through walking, cycling, jogging and horse riding through the linear open spaces and trails.
- To provide less developed places for rest and relaxation, including stop off areas for visitors.
- To contribute to the landscape and biodiversity value of open space (trees and plantings).

Recreation reserves could include:

- Recreation parks and linear parks comprising significant improvements (amenities, trails, playspaces, exercise equipment, paths, shelters, seating).
- Less developed parks and reserves that contribute through their landscape appeal or open space connection value.

Both improved and less developed recreation reserves are held and managed by the District Council of Mallala for the benefit and enjoyment of the community.

## REASON WHY THE MANAGEMENT PLAN IS REQUIRED

Developing Management Plans for Community Land is a requirement of Section 196 of the Local Government Act. In addition, a Management Plan will formally guide the use, management and development of Community Land, as resources become available and in accordance with other Council policy and priorities.

Recreation reserves add value to the community and visitors from a recreation, community service and landscape perspective. Higher level recreation destinations provide a focus for community activities, social gatherings and events. Trails and recreation parks support physical activity by the community. Other recreation reserves provide places for activity and all recreation reserves add amenity and landscape value to the District. As such, it is important to ensure that recreation reserves are appropriately developed and managed.

Currently the District Council of Mallala is responsible for the management of approximately 140 hectares of recreation reserves.

## RELATIONSHIP TO COUNCIL PLANNING AND POLICIES

The Recreation Reserves Management Plan is consistent with Council policies and in particular it draws on the Council's Open Space Plan completed in August 2016. The Open Space Plan has considered and reflects broader planning including Council's overriding Strategic Plan 2013-2016.

The views of the community and specific opportunities relating to recreation reserves identified in Council's Open Space Plan have been taken into consideration in the Recreation Reserves Management Plan.

## KEY OBJECTIVES OF THE PLAN

### Overriding Objective

Council's Open Space Plan 2016 includes an overriding direction for Recreation Reserves and Destinations and this is appropriate to use as the objective for Recreation Reserves. The overriding objective is therefore as below.

Provide diverse and appealing recreation reserves and destinations across the District that broaden recreation experiences and enhance the landscape value of open space. This includes a commitment to creating unique, accessible and age friendly destinations to cater for communities and visitors.

Source: Open Space Plan 2016

## Specific Objectives

The specific objectives for Recreation Reserves are as follows:

- To provide recreation destinations across the District Council of Mallala with quality facilities and infrastructure to cater for gatherings, events and community activities.
- To provide smaller recreation parks within towns and settlements that support community activity and provide visitor stop off areas.
- To provide diverse play and activity opportunities around the District to support a range of age groups and community activities.
- To provide linear connections within towns and across the District to provide opportunities for walking, cycling, horse riding and other activities.
- To strengthen the landscape and biodiversity value of all recreation reserves through indigenous and native plantings.
- To ensure infrastructure within recreation reserves including toilets, barbecues, shelters, seating, lighting, paths and car parking is appropriately provided and maintained.
- To develop and maintain all facilities and infrastructure within recreation reserves in accordance with the hierarchy and intended use of the reserve (as outlined in the Community Land Register).

## PROPOSALS FOR MANAGEMENT OF THE LAND

The main proposals relating to the management of the Recreation Reserves Community Land are outlined below. The management proposals are based on Council's Open Space Plan which involved consultations with the community. Where a proposal relates to a specific site, this is highlighted.

### Destinations

- Create unique recreation destinations linked to larger land parcels in Two Wells and Lewiston.
- Incorporate quality recreation facilities and areas within the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts (as part of major destinations).
- Enhance Hart Reserve through improved walking and bike paths, nature play and other activity opportunities, picnic settings and improved school link.

### Trails

- Continue to establish new trails across the District to increase the opportunities for diverse activities with a particular focus on walking, cycling and horse riding.
- Continue to maintain trails and pathways to a standard that appropriately responds to their level and type of use and ensures the safety of users.
- Establish some iconic trails between towns and through key open spaces linked to Gawler River and the coast.
- Improve the quality and accessibility of pathway networks within Towns.

## PROPOSALS FOR MANAGEMENT OF THE LAND (continued)

### Recreation Activation

- Incorporate infrastructure to support activities in key recreation parks such as half courts, exercise equipment, play spaces, skateable spaces and bike jumps.
- Plan for skate facilities and skateable spaces in Two Wells and Mallala (focussing on the sport and recreation precincts).
- Consider new and enhanced quality play opportunities in Two Wells (sport and recreation precinct and Hart Reserve) and Lewiston (wetlands, Bakers Wetland, adventure play).

### Smaller Recreation Reserves

- Improve the recreation and landscape value of smaller recreation reserves and linear open spaces in Two Wells and Mallala.

### Visitor Focus

- Sensitively create a low key recreation setting in the northern part of The Parklands in Dublin to support visitors (giving consideration to heritage requirements).
- Undertake improvements to the land around the Mallala museum.

### Dogs Off Leash

- Plan for new 'dog off leash' areas in Lewiston and Mallala.

### Landscape and Biodiversity

- Increase indigenous and native plantings in recreation reserves to strengthen their landscape and biodiversity value.
- Establish some smaller parks as 'landscape parks or urban forests' where the primary focus is on creating an appealing landscape and increasing biodiversity.

### Amenity and Infrastructure Management

- Ensure that amenities and infrastructure are maintained to a good standard through the regular inspection and maintenance of property and an ongoing maintenance and upgrade program.

## TENANCIES ALLOCATED FOR THE LAND

Generally formalised tenancies (leases and licences) will not be allocated to recreation reserves due to the importance of recreation reserves always being available to the general public for informal recreation use.

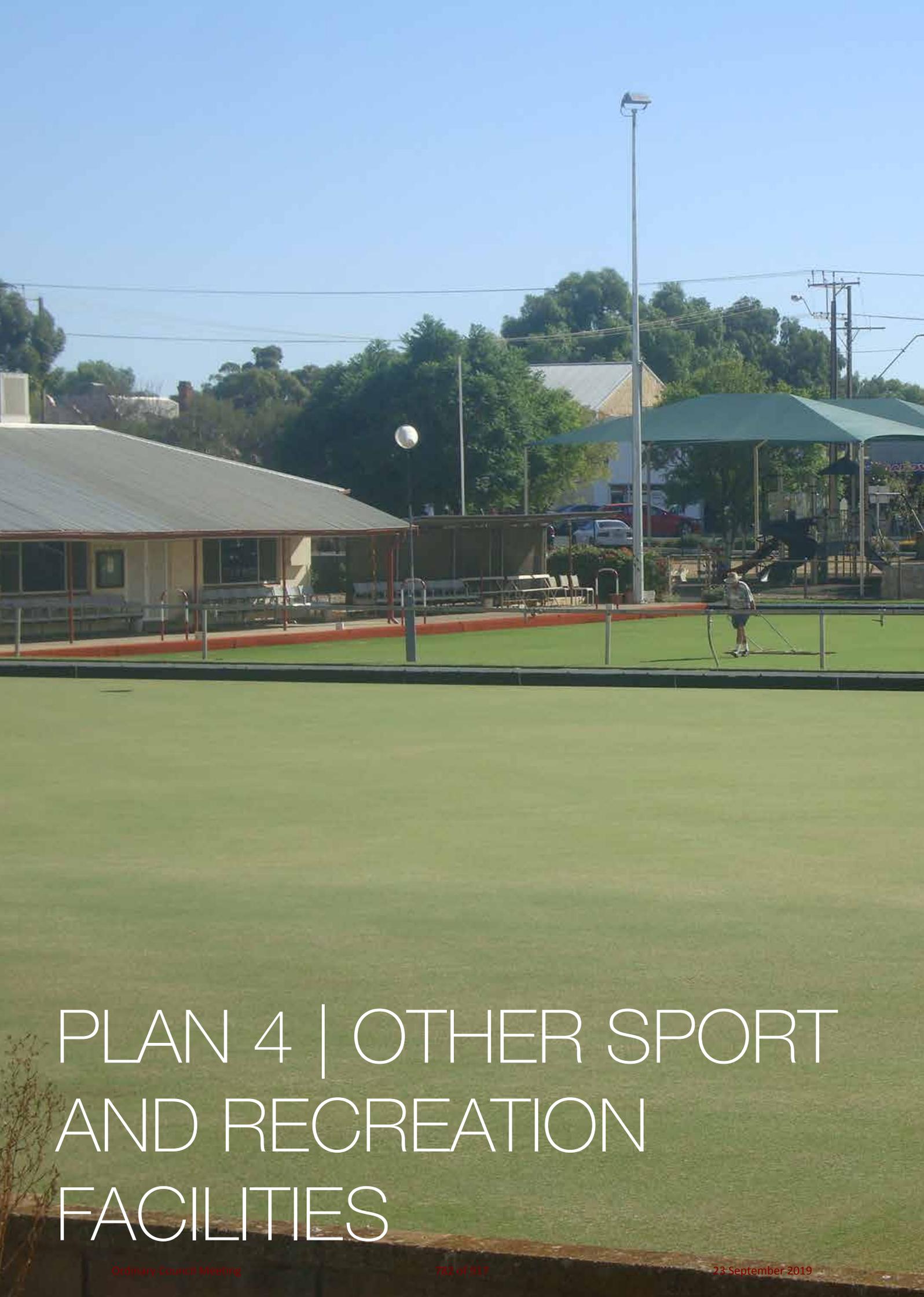
However, in some instances it will be appropriate to allocate a formal lease to ensure the appropriate management of the site for the benefit of the community. Details of any tenancies allocated to recreation reserves are provided in the Community Land Register.

## PERFORMANCE TARGETS AND MEASUREMENTS

Relevant performance targets and measures for Recreation Reserves are provided below.

Focus	Performance Targets	Performance Measures
Sport and Recreation Destinations	Design the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts to be unique and appealing recreation and sport destinations.	Integration of unique recreation features within the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts master plans.
Destinations in the Growth Area	Establish other recreation destinations in Two Wells and Lewiston to cater for the District (including linked to wetlands and key parks).	Destinations in Hart Reserve and Bakers Wetland created.
Iconic Trails	Plan for iconic linear trails in the District, focussing on the coast and river networks.	At least one iconic linear trail established within 5 years.
Horse Trails	Plan for some horse trails within and beyond Lewiston.	At least one horse trail established.
Pathway Networks and Loops	Establish quality pathway networks and loops around Two Wells, Mallala, Dublin and Lewiston.	Pathway networks improved in each town or settlement (including pathway upgrades and connections).
Recreation Activation	Integrate recreation opportunities including skateable spaces, bike riding areas and half courts in the key sportsgrounds and parks.	One activity opportunity included in a key recreation destination each year.
Smaller Recreation Reserves	Design smaller recreation reserves to be usable and provide appealing stop off and town connection spaces.	One smaller reserve upgraded to be more functional and usable each year.
Dogs Off Leash	Create defined dog off leash areas to support the district giving consideration to Lewiston and Mallala.	Up to two defined dog off leash areas established within 5 years and maintained to a high standard.
Landscape and Biodiversity	Increase the number of trees and plants within recreation reserves with a particular focus on indigenous and native species to create unique landscape parks and strengthen biodiversity.	Native and indigenous plantings to at least four reserves each year.
Amenity Servicing	Regularly review and maintain toilets to a good standard including through ongoing upgrades.	Building inspection process adopted and Asset Plan implemented with a focus on the upgrade of toilets linked to reserve hierarchy and quality.
Infrastructure Management	Continually review and maintain other infrastructure (car parking, lighting, paths, shelters, seating, signage) to a good standard, with a particular focus on higher level precincts and reserves.	Ongoing review of infrastructure and implementation of Council's Asset Plan.

A number of the above Performance Targets are included and expanded on in Council's Open Space Plan 2016 and Asset Management Plan. As such, the achievement of the Performance Targets will require implementation of these and other relevant plans. Some of the Performance Targets could be achieved through community groups and supported by Council.



# PLAN 4 | OTHER SPORT AND RECREATION FACILITIES

**DISTRICT COUNCIL OF MALLALA**  
**MANAGEMENT PLAN 4**  
***OTHER SPORT AND RECREATION FACILITIES***  
***(EXCLUDES THE MAJOR SPORT AND RECREATION PRECINCTS)***

September 2016

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### **PURPOSE OF THE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

The Local Government Act 1999 requires the development of Management Plans for all land that is owned by a council or under the Council's care, control and management, and is classified as Community Land. This includes Community Land in the District Council of Mallala that incorporates sport and recreation facilities.

The Major Sport and Recreation Precincts justify their own Management Plan (Management Plan1) and therefore this Management Plan relates to any other community land that incorporates formalised sport and recreation facilities such as lawn bowls clubs, golf courses, pony clubs, other equestrian facilities and dog obedience areas.

The main purpose of this Management Plan is to guide the management of reserves that include sport and recreation facilities that are **not part of the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts**. The Other Sport and Recreation Facilities Management Plan will contribute to achieving a coordinated and consistent approach to managing any other reserves across the District that support formalised sport and recreation groups and activities.

The Management Plan outlines the purpose of the Other Sport and Recreation Facilities reserves and identifies relevant objectives, policies and proposals. The directions in the Management Plan reflect recent open space planning and related community consultations undertaken by the District Council of Mallala.

## IDENTIFICATION DETAILS

The Other Sport and Recreation Facilities Management Plan relates to:

- Lawn bowls clubs
- Golf courses
- Pony clubs
- Other equestrian facilities
- Dog obedience areas
- Any other future sport and recreation facilities located on community land outside of the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts

A listing of the land that is subject to the Other Sport and Recreation Facilities Management Plan is provided in the Community Land Register.

## OWNERSHIP DETAILS

The community land that is subject to this Management Plan includes land that is owned by the District Council of Mallala and Crown Land that is under Council's care, control and management.

The details of ownership are outlined in the Community Land Register. Specifically, the Community Land Register includes:

- The owner of the land
- The zoning and size of the land
- The Tenure of the land
- Details of any trust, reservation, dedication or other restriction affecting the land

## PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE LAND IS HELD

The Other Sport and Recreation Facilities in the District Council of Mallala are held as Community Land for the following reasons:

- To provide other sport and recreation opportunities beyond those catered for by the Major Sport and Recreation Precincts.
- To support and encourage less traditional and standalone sports and organised activities across the District (e.g. lawn bowls, golf, equestrian, dogs).
- To support organised activities that reflect the rural character of the District and the specific interests of the community, e.g. equestrian activities.

All of the reserves defined as Other Sport and Recreation Facilities are held and managed by the District Council of Mallala for the benefit and enjoyment of the community.

## REASON WHY THE MANAGEMENT PLAN IS REQUIRED

Developing Management Plans for Community Land is a requirement of Section 196 of the Local Government Act. In addition, a Management Plan will formally guide the use, management and development of Community Land, as resources become available and in accordance with other Council policy and priorities.

Reserves with Other Sport and Recreation Facilities provide opportunities for people to participate in a greater diversity of organised sport and recreation activity. These reserves also support participation in less structured recreation activities such as a casual game of golf, horse riding and social bowls.

Other Sport and Recreation Facilities broaden the opportunities for activities and add value to the lifestyle of the community. Reserves that support equestrian activities reflect the rural character of the District and are likely to attract people from the wider region.

Currently the District Council of Mallala is responsible for the management of various Other Sport and Recreation Facilities reserves, and appropriately managing these reserves will ensure diverse sport and recreation activity opportunities remain in the District.

## RELATIONSHIP TO COUNCIL PLANNING AND POLICIES

The Recreation Reserves Management Plan is consistent with Council policies and in particular it draws on the Council's Open Space Plan completed in August 2016. The Open Space Plan has considered and reflects broader planning including Council's overriding Strategic Plan 2013-2016.

The views of the community and specific opportunities relating to recreation reserves identified in Council's Open Space Plan have been taken into consideration in the Recreation Reserves Management Plan.

## KEY OBJECTIVES OF THE PLAN

### Overriding Objective

The following overriding objective is provided to guide directions relating to Other Sport and Recreation Facilities. The overriding objective considers and builds on the direction for Sport and Recreation Precincts and Facilities included in Council's Open Space Plan 2016.

#### Overriding Objective for Other Sport and Recreation Facilities

Provide a range of sport and recreation activity opportunities and cater for diverse needs across the District by supporting and planning for other sport and recreation facilities beyond the major sport and recreation precincts.

## Specific Objectives

The specific objectives for Other Sport and Recreation Facilities are as follows:

- To continue to cater for diverse sport and recreation activity opportunities through community land located across the District where appropriate.
- To support planning for a future integrated equestrian facility on community land in Lewiston (subject to feasibility).
- To support and encourage improvements to facilities undertaken by sport and community groups, e.g. improvements to golf courses, bowls clubs, pony clubs, dog obedience clubs.
- To enable other sport and recreation facilities to be located on Community Land as appropriate in the future.

## PROPOSALS FOR MANAGEMENT OF THE LAND

The main proposals relating to the management of the Recreation Reserves Community Land are outlined below. The management proposals are based on Council's Open Space Plan which involved consultations with the community. Where a proposal relates to a specific site, this is highlighted.

### Equestrian Facilities

- Consider the development of a new integrated equestrian facility in Lewiston subject to planning and feasibility findings.
- Undertake improvements to pony club facilities across the District as required and subject to the availability of resources.

### Golf Courses

- Support improvements to the Two Wells Golf Course by the Two Wells Golf Club as appropriate.

### Dog Obedience

- Support the development of a dog obedience and off leash area in Lewiston as appropriate.

### Lawn Bowls

- Continue to encourage and support bowls clubs to maintain and improve their facilities as appropriate.

### Other Sports

- Consider opportunities to accommodate other sport and recreation facilities on community land subject to demand, the level of impact on the surrounding community and feasibility.

## TENANCIES ALLOCATED FOR THE LAND

Formalised tenancies (leases and licences) will be required for reserves that support Other Sport and Recreation Facilities to ensure the facilities are appropriately used and managed by community groups that have the expertise and interest to do so.

Details of the tenancies allocated to the Other Sport and Recreation Facilities reserves are provided in the Community Land Register.

## PERFORMANCE TARGETS AND MEASUREMENTS

Relevant performance targets and measures for Other Sport and Recreation Facilities are provided below.

Focus	Performance Targets	Performance Measures
Equestrian Centre	Plan for an integrated equestrian centre in Lewiston (subject to feasibility assessment).	Planning and feasibility analysis undertaken.
Pony Clubs	Support improvements to Pony Clubs.	Improvements to Pony Club facilities undertaken as required.
Golf Courses	Support improvements to the Two Wells golf course through grant funding and advice.	Grant funding achieved for Two Wells Golf Course upgrades.
Dog Obedience	Support the development dog obedience and off leash facilities in Lewiston.	Lewiston dog obedience and off leash facilities developed.
Lawn Bowls	Support improvements to lawn bowls clubs.	Improvements to Lawn Bowls facilities undertaken as required.
Other Sports	Assess opportunities for supporting other sports as per demands and feasibility.	New sports accommodated as appropriate.

Some of the Performance Targets are reflected in Council's Open Space Plan 2016 and as such the achievement of the Performance Targets will require implementation of that Plan.

Some of the Performance Targets will need to be achieved through community and user groups and supported by Council.



# PLAN 5 | COMMUNITY FACILITIES

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# DISTRICT COUNCIL OF MALLALA

## MANAGEMENT PLAN 5

### *COMMUNITY FACILITIES*

September 2016

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#### **PURPOSE OF THE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

The Local Government Act 1999 requires the development of Management Plans for all land that is owned by a council or under the Council's care, control and management, and is classified as Community Land. This includes Community Land in the District Council of Mallala that incorporates community facilities.

The main purpose of this Management Plan is to guide the management of community land that has a community facility located on it such as a library, institute building, community hall, social club or other community or council building.

The Community Facilities Management Plan will contribute to achieving a coordinated and consistent approach to managing community facilities and the associated community land.

#### **IDENTIFICATION DETAILS**

The Community Facilities Management Plan relates to community facilities and the land on which the community facilities are located. A community facility could include the following:

- Community service centres
- Community Centres and halls, e.g. Two Wells Community Centre, Thompson Beach Community Shed, scout and guide halls
- Libraries
- Institute buildings
- Social Clubs e.g. Port Parham Sports and Social Club

A listing of the land that is subject to the Community Facilities Management Plan is provided in the Community Land Register.

## OWNERSHIP DETAILS

The land that is subject to this Management Plan generally includes land that is owned by the District Council of Mallala, but could also include Crown Land that is under Council's care, control and management.

The details of ownership are outlined in the Community Land Register. Specifically, the Community Land Register includes:

- The owner of the land
- The zoning and size of the land
- The Tenure of the land
- Details of any trust, reservation, dedication or other restriction affecting the land

## PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE LAND IS HELD

The Community Facilities land that this Management Plan relates to is held as Community Land for the following reasons:

- To provide the community with opportunities to participate in indoor activities, meetings and social gatherings through the use of community buildings.
- To continue to support diverse services to the community including library and Council services.

Land that incorporates Community Facilities has generally been modified or adapted for the benefit or enjoyment of the community.

## REASON WHY THE MANAGEMENT PLAN IS REQUIRED

Developing Management Plans for Community Land is a requirement of Section 196 of the Local Government Act. In addition, a Management Plan will formally guide the use, management and development of Community Land, as resources become available and in accordance with other Council policy and priorities.

Community facilities provided by the District Council of Mallala add value to the community by providing opportunities for recreation and social activities, meetings, gatherings, learning, and accommodation.

Currently the District Council of Mallala is responsible for the management of approximately 67 hectares of land that supports community facilities.

## RELATIONSHIP TO COUNCIL PLANNING AND POLICIES

The Community Facilities Management Plan is consistent with Council policies including Council's overriding Strategic Plan 2013-2016.

The views of the community and specific opportunities relating to recreation reserves identified in past planning and communications have been taken into consideration in the Community Facilities Management Plan.

## KEY OBJECTIVES OF THE PLAN

### Overriding Objective

An overriding objective for Community Facilities is provided below.

Continue to provide, maintain and improve the provision of community facilities and related community land in order to cater for diverse community groups and needs across the District Council of Mallala.

### Specific Objectives

The specific objectives for Community Facilities are as follows:

- To continue to provide a range of community facilities to support diverse community activities, age groups and levels of ability across the District.
- To maintain community buildings and facilities to a good standard in partnerships with community groups.
- To undertake targeted improvements to community facilities as appropriate and subject to available resources and viability.
- To achieve diverse community facilities that are well used, good standard and valued by communities and visitors across the District.

## PROPOSALS FOR MANAGEMENT OF THE LAND

The main proposals relating to the management of the Community Facilities Community Land are outlined below. The management proposals are based on recent planning and consultations with community members.

### Library

- Continue to provide a quality library services to support communities across the District.

### Institute Buildings

- Facilitate and undertake a program of upgrading the Institute buildings in partnership with community groups and following strategic planning and assessments.

### Other Community Buildings

- Undertake a review of other community halls and buildings to determine future directions for individual buildings (e.g. maintain, upgrade, and consolidate).
- Support and encourage community groups to maintain and continue to improve community halls and buildings that should be retained.

### Social Clubs

- Support and encourage community groups to maintain and continue to improve social club facilities such as the Port Parham Sports and Social Club for the benefit of the community and visitors.

### Access and Function

- Through the planning and assessments of community buildings and other facilities, aim to improve the accessibility and function of the buildings and surrounding land.

### Landscapes

- Enhance the landscapes linked to community buildings to contribute to the amenity and appeal of towns and places.

## TENANCIES ALLOCATED FOR THE LAND

The tenancy arrangement will vary with community facilities where:

- The lease of a building and associated land will be appropriate in some instances, e.g. where the facility is fully managed by a community group.
- Licence or permit agreements will be appropriate to enable temporary use of a building for a specific activity or function.
- Some community facilities will be managed and used by Council.

Details of lease arrangements currently allocated to Community Facilities are provided in the Community Land Register.

## PERFORMANCE TARGETS AND MEASUREMENTS

Relevant performance targets and measures for Community Facilities are provided below.

Focus	Performance Targets	Performance Measures
Library	Continue to improve the Two Wells library and mobile library to achieve a quality library service for the District.	Improved and well used and valued library.
Institute Buildings	In partnership with community groups facilitate and undertake a program of Institute Building upgrades linked to a strategic plan for the facilities.	Strategic Plan developed and implemented over time.
Other Community Buildings	Undertake a review of needs and provision and determine a strategy for other community halls and buildings.	Review undertaken and actioned.
Social Clubs	Encourage and support the Port Parham Sports and Social Club to maintain and improve its community building and the associated land.	Social club improvements over time.
Access and Function	Enhance the accessibility and function of community facilities and the surrounding lands.	Accessible and functional site achieved.
Landscapes	Enhance the landscape quality and diversity of land linked to community facilities.	Landscape design enhanced at community facility sites.

An annual report on the maintenance and management of community buildings will be prepared to provide a record of the achievements and future works required each year.

Some of the Performance Targets could be achieved through community groups and supported by Council.



# PLAN 6 | FORMAL AND MEMORIAL GARDENS

# DISTRICT COUNCIL OF MALLALA

## MANAGEMENT PLAN 6

### *FORMAL AND MEMORIAL GARDENS*

September 2016

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#### **PURPOSE OF THE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

The Local Government Act 1999 requires the development of Management Plans for all land that is owned by a council or under the Council's care, control and management, and is classified as Community Land. This includes all Formal and Memorial Gardens located within the District Council of Mallala that are defined as Community Land.

The main purpose of this Management Plan is to guide the management and future improvement of Formal and Memorial Gardens. This Management Plan will ensure a coordinated and consistent approach to managing Community Land in the District that is a Formal or Memorial Garden.

The Management Plan outlines the purpose of both Formal and Memorial Gardens and identifies relevant objectives, policies and proposals. The directions in the Management Plan reflect recent open space planning and related community consultations undertaken by the District Council of Mallala.

#### **IDENTIFICATION DETAILS**

The Formal and Memorial Gardens Management Plan relates to:

- Reserves that have been designed to include a formalised or heritage landscape.
- Reserves that incorporate a memorial through a structure, sculpture, art work, landscape design or interpretation in remembrance of or to recognise a past event, achievement, happening, group or individual.

A listing of the land that is subject to the Formal and Memorial Gardens Management Plan is provided in the Community Land Register.

## **OWNERSHIP DETAILS**

The details of ownership of the Formal and Memorial Gardens are outlined in the Community Land Register. Specifically, the Community Land Register includes:

- The owner of the land
- The zoning and size of the land
- The Tenure of the land and details of any trust, reservation, dedication or other restriction affecting the land

## **PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE LAND IS HELD**

The Formal and Memorial Gardens in the District Council of Mallala are held as Community Land for the following reasons:

- To reinforce and promote the heritage of the District.
- To connect recreation and learning through garden design and related interpretation.
- To provide an alternative low key recreation space for visitors and the community.

Overall, the Formal and Memorial Gardens contribute to the appeal and diversity of the District's character.

## **REASON WHY THE MANAGEMENT PLAN IS REQUIRED**

Developing Management Plans for Community Land is a requirement of Section 196 of the Local Government Act. In addition, a Management Plan will formally guide the use, management and development of Community Land, as resources become available and in accordance with other Council policy and priorities.

The Formal and Memorial Gardens justify their own Management Plan due to the uniqueness of the gardens and their heritage and tourism value.

## **RELATIONSHIP TO COUNCIL PLANNING AND POLICIES**

The Management Plan for Formal and Memorial Gardens is consistent with Council policies and in particular it draws on the Council's Open Space Plan completed in August 2016. The Open Space Plan has considered and reflects broader planning including Council's overriding Strategic Plan 2013-2016.

## KEY OBJECTIVES OF THE PLAN

### Overriding Objective

Two of the Overriding Directions in Council's Open Space Plan 2016 relate to Formal and Memorial Gardens. The Directions are provided for 'Recreation Reserves and Destinations' and 'Heritage and Tourism' and both should be considered in the Formal and Memorial Gardens Management Plan. They highlight the dual (recreation and heritage) role of Formal and Memorial Gardens.

The directions are provided below as a guide for the Management Plan.

#### Recreation Reserves and Destinations:

Provide diverse and appealing recreation reserves and destinations across the District that broaden recreation experiences and enhance the landscape value of open space. This includes a commitment to creating unique, accessible and age friendly destinations to cater for communities and visitors.

Source: Open Space Plan 2016

#### Heritage and Tourism:

Conserve, promote and strengthen the unique heritage of the area and continue to support and encourage tourism across the District.

Source: Open Space Plan 2016

### Specific Objectives

The specific objectives for Formal and Memorial Gardens are as follows:

- To maintain and enhance the formalised gardens and memorial structures in the District.
- To continue to promote the heritage of the District through landscape design, memorial; structures, art works and interpretation.
- To continue to partner the community in maintaining and enhancing the Formal and Memorial Gardens within the District.
- To increase visitor awareness and use of the Formal and Memorial Gardens as part of the District's unique tourism experience.

## PROPOSALS FOR MANAGEMENT OF THE LAND

The main proposals relating to the management of the Formal and Memorial Gardens Community Land are outlined below. The management proposals are based on Council's Open Space Plan which involved consultations with the community. Where a proposal relates to a specific site, this is highlighted.

### Garden Design

- Maintain and continue to embellish the unique garden design of individual reserves.
- Review garden designs over time to improve appeal, function and access, including pathway design and opportunities for usability.

### Memorials and Features

- Maintain existing memorials located in Formal and Memorial Gardens to a high standard.
- Support the inclusion of new sculptures and art works to complement the focus of Formal and Memorial Gardens where appropriate and as desired by the community.

### Landscape Maintenance

- Continue to maintain the landscape associated with Formal and Memorial Gardens to a high standard in partnership with community groups.

### Interpretation and Information

- Integrate unique and dynamic interpretation within Formal and Memorial Gardens.
- Promote the heritage of the District and increase the awareness of the purpose of memorials through interpretation and information.

### Partnerships

- Continue to work with the community to achieve good quality and well used Formal and Memorial Gardens.
- Support projects connected to the Formal and Memorial Gardens through grant funding where appropriate.

### Usage and Promotion

- Where appropriate, use the Formal and Memorial Gardens as a unique place for community events that complement the heritage and formalised character of the reserves.
- Continue to develop and distribute material that will promote the Formal and Memorial Gardens to visitors.

## TENANCIES ALLOCATED FOR THE LAND

Partnerships will be established with community groups to enable and encourage groups to contribute to maintaining, improving and promoting the Formal and Memorial Gardens. This could involve some formalised arrangements.

Details of tenancies allocated to recreation reserves are provided in the Community Land Register.

## PERFORMANCE TARGETS AND MEASUREMENTS

Relevant performance targets and measures for Formal and Memorial Gardens are provided below.

Focus	Performance Targets	Performance Measures
Garden Design	Continued quality garden design through reviews and enhancements.	High appreciation of the gardens within the community and by visitors.
Memorials and Features	Maintained memorials and new features that complement the heritage character of the gardens.	New sculptures and art works incorporated within the gardens over time.
Landscape Maintenance	A regular program of maintaining and improving landscapes in Formal and Memorial Gardens.	High landscape standards achieved.
Interpretation and Information	Unique and dynamic interpretation incorporated within Formal and Memorial Gardens.	Additional and upgraded interpretation included in gardens.
Partnerships	Maintained and supported partnerships through resources and communication.	Partnerships established and strengthened.
Usage and Promotion	Targeted promotion of Formal and Memorial Gardens to the community and visitors.	Well used and appreciated gardens.

Note that some of the Performance Targets could be achieved by community groups and supported by Council.



# PLAN 7 | CULTURALLY SIGNIFICANT AND HISTORIC AREAS

**DISTRICT COUNCIL OF MALLALA**  
**MANAGEMENT PLAN 7**  
*CULTURALLY SIGNIFICANT AND HISTORIC AREAS*

September 2016

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### **PURPOSE OF THE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

The Local Government Act 1999 requires the development of Management Plans for all land that is owned by a council or under the Council's care, control and management, and is classified as Community Land. This includes all Culturally Significant and Historic Areas located within the District Council of Mallala that are defined as Community Land.

The main purpose of this Management Plan is to guide the management and future improvement of the Culturally Significant and Historic Areas. In particular, this Management Plan will ensure a coordinated and consistent approach to managing Community Land in the District that is a Culturally Significant and Historic Area.

The Management Plan outlines the purpose of the Culturally Significant and Historic Areas and identifies relevant objectives, policies and proposals. The directions in the Management Plan reflect recent open space planning and related community consultations undertaken by the District Council of Mallala.

### **IDENTIFICATION DETAILS**

The Culturally Significant and Historic Areas relates to:

- Sites with a historic and cultural value such as the Mallala Museum Gardens and sites with Aboriginal heritage significance.
- Sites that are subject to a Native Title Claim such as the Historic Wells Reserve.

A listing of the land that is subject to the Culturally Significant and Historic Areas Management Plan is provided in the Community Land Register.

## **OWNERSHIP DETAILS**

Details of ownership of the Culturally Significant and Historic Areas are outlined in the Community Land Register. Specifically, the Community Land Register includes:

- The owner of the land
- The zoning and size of the land
- The Tenure of the land and details of any trust, reservation, dedication or other restriction affecting the land

## **ABORIGINAL AND NATIVE TITLE CONSIDERATIONS**

The Culturally Significant and Historic Areas will be subject to the requirements of the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1988 and the Native Title Act 1993. Particular consideration should be given to the Kurna Peoples Native Title Claim (SAD6001/00) and the need to protect and appropriately manage land and sites with Aboriginal significance.

## **PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE LAND IS HELD**

The Culturally Significant and Historic Areas in the District Council of Mallala are held as Community Land for the following reasons:

- To reinforce and promote the heritage of the District.
- To continue to provide amenities to the community.
- To appropriately manage Aboriginal sites of significance in accordance with relevant legislative requirements.

Overall, the Culturally Significant and Historic Areas contribute to the diversity of the District's character.

## **REASON WHY THE MANAGEMENT PLAN IS REQUIRED**

Developing Management Plans for Community Land is a requirement of Section 196 of the Local Government Act. In addition, a Management Plan will formally guide the use, management and development of Community Land, as resources become available and in accordance with other Council policy and priorities.

The Culturally Significant and Historic Areas justify their own Management Plan due to the uniqueness of the sites and their heritage value.

## RELATIONSHIP TO COUNCIL PLANNING AND POLICIES

The Management Plan for Culturally Significant and Historic Areas is consistent with Council policies and in particular it draws on the Council's Open Space Plan completed in August 2016. The Open Space Plan has considered and reflects broader planning including Council's overriding Strategic Plan 2013-2016.

## KEY OBJECTIVES OF THE PLAN

### Overriding Objective

Council's Open Space Plan 2016 includes an Overriding Direction for Heritage and Tourism and this is relevant to Culturally Significant and Historic Areas. The direction is provided below as a broad guide for managing the Culturally Significant and Historic Areas.

Heritage and Tourism:

Conserve, promote and strengthen the unique heritage of the area and continue to support and encourage tourism across the District.

Source: Open Space Plan 2016

### Specific Objectives

The specific objectives for Culturally Significant and Historic Areas are as follows:

- To maintain the Culturally Significant and Historic Areas in the District to a good standard
- To protect and manage Aboriginal sites of significance in accordance with the requirements of the Kurna Peoples Native Title Claim, the Native Titles Act 1993 and the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1988.
- Recognise and appropriately manage sites where there is a Native Title Claim.
- To support ongoing improvements to the Malalla Museum Gardens.
- To promote Culturally Significant and Historic Areas in the District to visitors as appropriate.
- To identify additional Culturally Significant and Historic Areas in the future.

## PROPOSALS FOR MANAGEMENT OF THE LAND

The main proposals relating to the management of the Culturally Significant and Historic Areas Community Land are outlined below. The management proposals are based on Council's Open Space Plan which involved consultations with the community. Where a proposal relates to a specific site, this is highlighted.

### **Mallala Museum**

- Enhance and undertake improvements to the land around the Mallala Museum to create an appealing recreation and landscaped setting for visitors and residents.

### **Heritage Character**

- Plan for, design and manage Culturally Significant and Historic Areas to respond to the heritage character and values of the sites.

### **Aboriginal Significance and Native Title**

- Protect and maintain sites that have Aboriginal significance taking the Kurna People Native Title Claim and the requirements of the Native Title Act 1993 and the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1988 into consideration.

### **Landscape Maintenance**

- Continue to maintain the landscape associated with Culturally Significant and Historic Areas to a good standard in partnership with community groups.

### **Infrastructure Maintenance**

- Maintain the infrastructure linked to Culturally Significant and Historic Areas to a good standard, including supporting the function of the site (e.g. car park function).

### **Interpretation and Information**

- Support the inclusion of interpretation within Culturally Significant and Historic Areas where appropriate.

### **Supporting Partnerships**

- Support community groups involved in maintaining and promoting Culturally Significant and Historic Areas.

### **Further Site Identification**

- Consider and record other sites that should be identified as Culturally Significant and Historic Areas on an ongoing basis.

## TENANCIES ALLOCATED FOR THE LAND

Formalised arrangements could be established to enable and encourage community groups to contribute to maintaining, improving and promoting some Culturally Significant and Historic Areas. Details of tenancies allocated to recreation reserves are provided in the Community Land Register.

## PERFORMANCE TARGETS AND MEASUREMENTS

Relevant performance targets and measures for Culturally Significant and Historic Areas are provided below.

Focus	Performance Targets	Performance Measures
Mallala Museum	Improvements to the land around the museum undertaken.	Quality and functional visitor area achieved.
Heritage Character	The heritage character of Culturally Significant and Historic Areas to be increased.	Initiatives that reinforce heritage undertaken.
Aboriginal Significance and Native Title	Sites to be protected and maintained in accordance with the Native Title and Aboriginal Heritage legislative requirements.	Protected and well maintained sites.
Landscape Maintenance	Landscapes to be maintained to a good standard with community involvement.	Quality landscapes achieved.
Infrastructure Maintenance	Infrastructure to be maintained to a good standard.	Quality infrastructure achieved.
Interpretation and Information	Interpretation to be integrated and enhanced where appropriate.	Valued interpretation achieved.
Supporting Partnerships	Projects undertaken by community groups through grants and resources.	Community groups supported.
Further Site Identification	Additional Culturally Significant and Historic Areas identified and managed appropriately.	Increased sites identified and appropriate management practices adopted.

Note that some of the projects could be undertaken by community groups and supported by Council.



# PLAN 8 | CEMETERIES

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# DISTRICT COUNCIL OF MALLALA

## MANAGEMENT PLAN 8

### *CEMETERIES*

September 2016

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#### **PURPOSE OF THE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

The Local Government Act 1999 requires the development of Management Plans for all land that is owned by a council or under the Council's care, control and management, and is classified as Community Land. This includes all Cemeteries located within the District Council of Mallala that are defined as Community Land.

The main purpose of this Management Plan is to guide the management and future improvement of Cemeteries. In particular, this Management Plan will ensure a coordinated and consistent approach to managing Community Land in the District that is a Cemetery.

The Management Plan outlines the purpose of the Cemeteries and identifies relevant objectives, policies and proposals. The directions in the Management Plan reflect recent open space planning and related community consultations undertaken by the District Council of Mallala.

#### **IDENTIFICATION DETAILS**

The Cemeteries Management Plan relates to all cemeteries in the District Council of Mallala, including:

- Dublin Cemetery
- Shannon Cemetery
- Grace Plains Cemetery
- Barabba Cemetery
- Mallala Fetwell Cemetery
- Two Wells Cemetery

A listing of the land that is subject to the Cemeteries Management Plan is provided in the Community Land Register.

## OWNERSHIP DETAILS

The details of ownership of the Cemeteries are outlined in the Community Land Register. Specifically, the Community Land Register includes:

- The owner of the land
- The zoning and size of the land
- The Tenure of the land and details of any trust, reservation, dedication or other restriction affecting the land

## HERITAGE CONSIDERATIONS

Cemeteries are an important part of Australia's past. The monuments of our ancestors provide a history of the nation's growth and a valuable insight into its development. Cemeteries may be the only place where a person's life is recorded.

All cemeteries have social and historic value and potential cultural significance. A cemetery is generally considered to be of cultural significance if it has historic, social, artistic, religious, genealogical, creative/ technological, landscape, botanical or representative significance.

## PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE LAND IS HELD

The Cemeteries in the District Council of Mallala are held as Community Land for the following reasons:

- To provide a place for the burial of the dead and the location of cremation urns.
- To conserve the cultural value of people who have once lived, died and been buried in the District (giving recognition to past generations).

## REASON WHY THE MANAGEMENT PLAN IS REQUIRED

Developing Management Plans for Community Land is a requirement of Section 196 of the Local Government Act. In addition, a Management Plan will formally guide the use, management and development of Community Land, as resources become available and in accordance with other Council policy and priorities.

Cemeteries justify their own Management Plan due to the defined nature of Cemeteries and their heritage and cultural value.

## RELATIONSHIP TO COUNCIL PLANNING AND POLICIES

The Management Plan for Cemeteries is consistent with Council policies and in particular it draws on the Council's Open Space Plan completed in August 2016. The Open Space Plan has considered and reflects broader planning including Council's overriding Strategic Plan 2013-2016.

## KEY OBJECTIVES OF THE PLAN

### Overriding Objective

Council's Open Space Plan 2016 includes an Overriding Direction for Heritage and Tourism and this is relevant to Cemeteries. The direction is provided below as a broad guide to influence the management of Cemeteries in the District.

#### Heritage and Tourism

Conserve, promote and strengthen the unique heritage of the area and continue to support and encourage tourism across the District.

Source: Open Space Plan 2016

### Specific Objectives

The specific objectives for Cemeteries are as follows:

- To manage cemeteries and the related infrastructure to a good standard.
- To improve the accessibility, amenity and visitor appeal of cemeteries.
- To strengthen the cultural, heritage and tourism value of cemeteries.

## PROPOSALS FOR MANAGEMENT OF THE LAND

The main proposals relating to the management of the Cemeteries Community Land are outlined below. The proposals consider Council's Open Space Plan and the previous Management Plan.

### Infrastructure

- Upgrade infrastructure that supports the function of cemeteries, e.g. fencing and pathways (noting that upgrading and maintaining grave sites is not the responsibility of Council).

### Landscape Management

- Manage landscapes to ensure minimal impact on grave sites and pathways.
- Enhance the character and appeal of cemetery sites through landscapes and vegetation.

### Access and Amenity

- Aim to achieve sites that are accessible to all levels of ability (including people with a disability) through quality paths and accessible entry points.
- Enhance the amenity of the cemetery sites through shady trees, seating and shelters.

### Heritage and Tourism

- Integrate interpretation in cemeteries to promote the unique cultural heritage of the area.
- Promote cemeteries as a unique visitor experience.

### Partnerships

- Involve communities in enhancing and managing cemeteries where appropriate.

## TENANCIES ALLOCATED FOR THE LAND

It is not appropriate to allocate tenancies to cemeteries. These sites are managed by Council on behalf of the community. However, partnerships with the community are encouraged to achieve well managed and maintained cemeteries across the District.

## PERFORMANCE TARGETS AND MEASUREMENTS

Relevant performance targets and measures for Cemeteries are provided below.

Focus	Performance Targets	Performance Measures
Infrastructure	Upgraded infrastructure that supports the function of the cemetery sites.	Well functioning and good quality cemeteries.
Landscape Management	Enhanced and well managed landscapes in cemeteries.	Appealing landscapes achieved in cemeteries.
Access and Amenity	Improved pathways, seating and shelters linked to cemeteries.	Site upgrades undertaken.
Heritage and Tourism	Enhanced interpretation and awareness of heritage and culture.	Increased visitation to cemeteries by tourists.
Partnerships	Strengthened community involvement in enhancing cemeteries.	Community partnerships established or strengthened.

Note that some of the Performance Targets could be achieved by community groups and supported by Council.



# PLAN 9 | STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

# DISTRICT COUNCIL OF MALLALA

## MANAGEMENT PLAN 9

### *STORMWATER MANAGEMENT*

September 2016

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#### **PURPOSE OF THE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

The Local Government Act 1999 requires the development of Management Plans for all land that is owned by a council or under the Council's care, control and management, and is classified as Community Land. This includes all Stormwater Management reserves and initiatives within the District Council of Mallala linked to Community Land.

The main purpose of this Management Plan is to guide the management of reserves and initiatives with a Stormwater Management focus including:

- Drainage reserves
- Wetlands with a stormwater management focus
- Water retention areas

The Management Plan for Stormwater Management will contribute to achieving a coordinated and consistent approach to managing stormwater across the District. In addition, the Management Plan will contribute to managing the risks of flooding and will ensure a coordinated approach to water management and water sensitive urban design within the District.

The Management Plan outlines the purpose of Stormwater Management and identifies relevant objectives, policies and proposals. The directions in the Management Plan reflect recent open space planning and related community consultations undertaken by the District Council of Mallala.

#### **IDENTIFICATION DETAILS**

The Management Plan for Stormwater Management relates to:

- Drainage reserves
- Wetlands with a stormwater management focus
- Water retention areas

Some trails could also be linked to stormwater management sites such as around the Salt Creek estuary area.

A listing of the land that is subject to the Management Plan for Stormwater Management is provided in the Community Land Register.

## OWNERSHIP DETAILS

The stormwater management reserves and initiatives that are subject to this Management Plan could include:

- Land that is owned by the District Council of Mallala
- Crown Land that is under Council's care, control and management

The details of ownership are outlined in the Community Land Register. Specifically, the Community Land Register includes:

- The owner of the land
- The zoning and size of the land
- The Tenure of the land
- Details of any trust, reservation, dedication or other restriction affecting the land

## PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE LAND IS HELD

The stormwater management sites in the District Council of Mallala are held as Community Land for the following reasons:

- To manage stormwater runoff and minimise the risk of flooding.
- To contribute to water management and re-use, and therefore climate change adaptation.

Overall, stormwater management reserves and initiatives are held as Community Land for the benefit and safety of the community and as part of managing the environment and adapting to climate change.

## REASON WHY THE MANAGEMENT PLAN IS REQUIRED

Developing Management Plans for Community Land is a requirement of Section 196 of the Local Government Act. In addition, a Management Plan will formally guide the use, management and development of Community Land, as resources become available and in accordance with other Council policy and priorities.

Stormwater management sites are required to manage flooding and contribute to responding to climatic conditions. They ensure the protection of property and other open space as well as the safety of the community. In addition, stormwater management results in the retention and re-use of water which helps to reduce water use and associated costs. A Management Plan is required to reinforce the importance of stormwater management and related directions.

Currently the District Council of Mallala is responsible for the management of approximately 45 hectares of reserves where stormwater management is the primary focus.

## RELATIONSHIP TO COUNCIL PLANNING AND POLICIES

The Management Plan for Stormwater Management is consistent with Council policies. In particular the Management Plan relates to Council's Stormwater Management Plan and reinforces stormwater plans developed for specific towns and sites. The Management Plan also reflects Council's Open Space Plan completed in August 2016 and is consistent with Council's overriding Strategic Plan 2013-2016

The Management Plan for Stormwater Management is also closely related to the District Council of Mallala Climate Change Vulnerability Report as well as State Stormwater Management Guidelines.

## KEY OBJECTIVES OF THE PLAN

### Overriding Objective

Council's Open Space Plan 2016 includes an overriding direction for Water Management and Climate Change and this is appropriate to use as a broad objective for Stormwater Management. The overriding objective is therefore provided below.

Water Management and Climate Change Direction:  
Adopt practices that contribute to managed water usage and appropriate responses to climate change.

Source: Open Space Plan 2016

### Specific Objectives

The specific objectives for Stormwater Management are as follows:

- To ensure a planned approach to stormwater management in towns and significant settlements across the District.
- To ensure stormwater run-off is collected and managed in an effective and efficient manner.
- To utilise stormwater for providing cost effective water through water retention and re-use initiatives as appropriate.
- To establish multi-functional sites that provide stormwater management while also creating appealing sites for recreation.
- To mitigate the risk of flooding through WSUD initiatives and site design approaches.

## PROPOSALS FOR MANAGEMENT OF THE LAND

The main proposals relating to the management of the Stormwater Management Community Land are outlined below. The management proposals are based on Council's Open Space Plan which involved consultations with the community.

### Stormwater Management Planning

- Continue to implement Council's Stormwater Management Plan and be guided by State and regional planning and guidelines.
- Undertake specific stormwater management planning for towns, significant settlements and sites as appropriate.

### Wetland Maintenance

- Maintain existing wetlands to a high standard to ensure the function and structure of the wetlands is appropriate and for the health and safety of the community.

### Wetland Creation

- Establish additional wetlands where required to manage stormwater and minimise flooding risks, giving consideration to a nature based wetland linked to the Salt Creek estuary area and at other nature focussed sites.

### Multi-function Design

- Design reserves that have a stormwater function to also cater for community recreation and education through trails, paths, picnic settings, shelters, seating, landscapes and interpretation. Place a particular focus on enhancing Duck Pond Reserve (Mallala) and Bakers Wetland (Lewiston).

### Water Re-Use

- Design reserves to manage drainage and retain water on site for re-use where appropriate. This includes utilising the CMWS irrigation and water use project to cost effectively water Mallala oval.

### Other WSUD Initiatives

- Design streetscapes and particularly main streets to manage stormwater runoff and reduce flooding risks.

### Landscape Integration

- Integrate landscapes with stormwater management initiatives as part of stabilising land, improving water quality and strengthening biodiversity.

## TENANCIES ALLOCATED FOR THE LAND

Formalised tenancies (leases and licences) will generally not be allocated to reserves with a stormwater management function due to the role of Council in developing and managing these reserves.

## PERFORMANCE TARGETS AND MEASUREMENTS

Relevant performance targets and measures for Recreation Reserves are provided below.

Focus	Performance Targets	Performance Measures
Stormwater Management Planning	Implement Council's Stormwater Management Plan and develop plans for towns, significant settlements and specific sites as appropriate.	Stormwater Management Plans developed and implemented.
Wetland Maintenance	Enhance the water quality, landscapes and infrastructure of existing wetlands.	Well maintained existing wetlands
Wetland Creation	Plan for and achieve additional wetlands including around the Salt Creek estuary area.	Additional wetlands created.
Multi-function Design	Create appealing spaces with a recreation and education focus (e.g. trails, infrastructure, interpretation) as part of stormwater initiatives.	Appealing recreation spaces created and enhanced.
Water Re-Use	Design sportsgrounds and larger reserves to have stormwater retention and re-use function where feasible.	Affordable and cost efficient water re-use projects achieved.
Other WSUD Initiatives	Design streetscapes to have a stormwater function.	Streetscapes with good drainage achieved.
Landscape Integration	Plant trees and other landscapes around stormwater sites to enhance the function, amenity and biodiversity of the sites.	Increased plantings linked to stormwater initiatives.

A number of the above Performance Targets will relate to Council's Stormwater Management Plan and are included and expanded on in Council's Open Space Strategy 2016. As such, the achievement of the Performance Targets will require implementation of Council's Stormwater Management Plan and the Open Space Strategy 2016.