

Open Space Precinct Plan Graysharps Road, Hurstbridge Project Reference Group Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday 7 March 2018

Time: 6.30pm – 8.30pm

Venue: Hurstbridge Community Hub

50 Graysharps Road, Hurstbridge

Chair: Cr Karen Egan

Item	Key discussion point	Action
1	Welcome	
	 Apologies 	Lorna Smith was an apology
2	Attendees	Cr Karen Egan, Chair
		Helen Legg, David McKinnon, Peter Clark, Anne Fitzpatrick, Rosalie Morgan, Karen Mcalear, Sue Simpson, Matt Davis, Tracey East,
		Adrian Cully - Director Business and Strategy, Mel Holt – Acting Manager Connected Communities, Paige Macdonald: Leisure Projects Officer
3	Minutes of previous meeting	Agreed
4	Jane Keddie (Hanson Partnerships)	Jane presented a Draft Precinct Masterplan and spoke about particular areas having options within them.
		Area 1 – Lot 1 site
		This Site would be the location of a Natural-Water Based Play Space. This would complement the inclusion if either a Natural Billabong Style pool or the retention of Lot 1 as Open Space.
		Area 2 – Basketball Stadium
		This area would have a new larger stadium replacing the current stadium, which would allow for two compliant sized courts. It would also contain change rooms to service these courts and the East Oval, and externally accessed public toilets.
		An option exists to include two additional outdoor courts to the East side of the building. These are to be roofed and lit to ensure maximum use. This site has been chosed to minimise impact on Lot 1 where old courts are currently located. With the extension of the new stadium and re-alignment of roads and pathways around the stadium, only one court can be retained in the current location.
		Area 3 – Men's Shed
		An option exists to provide a new Men's Shed facility on leased land from VicTrack. This could be intergrated with a 'bicycle workshop', located between the carparks of the Community Hub

		and the Football Club.
		Area 4 – Nature Based Play
		Option to undertake further works in the Northern Area, focusing on the introduction of a landscaped trail with sensory plantings and exploratory play elements. This would run parallel to the existing trail to the west of the Hurst graves and could have a strong focus on environmental education.
5	Presentation Feedback	Area 1
		The inclusion of the natural billabong would be subject to cost and available funding opportunities.
		Area 2
		The inclusion of the outdoor courts at the new location was well received. Currently the netball club could operate with only one court roofed.
		It was raised that there is a memorial site located where the old school cricket nets are located. This memorial will need to be retained in any precinct development.
		The retention of the single court in the current location was questioned. It could be a flexible space that could service the amphitheatre or be removed. This will be tested when the draft plan goes out for exhibition.
		Area 3
		This would be subject to an agreement with Victrack
		Current lease at this location is about to end.
		Could be used as a Repair Café.
		Council to investigate with Victrack feasibility of this option.
		Area 4
		It was noted that replanting work was currently taking place and should be postponed until the future of this space was properly determined.
		Paige will follow this up internally and report back to the group
5	Any other business	The reference group wished to acknowledge the work of Nichole Johnson and are pleased to know that she would continue working with the Project Team.
6	Next steps	Draft Precinct Plan will be taken to the Ordinary Council Meeting on 1 May, for endorsement of the Precinct Plan Exhibition
		Public Exhibition – May to June 2018
		Council Ensdoresement – July/Aug 2018
7	Next meeting:	Scheduled for Monday 7 th May
		6:30pm at the Hurstbridge Community Hub
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