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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION.

This is a Plan of Management for Community Land categorised as a Park.

#### 1.1 What is "Community" Land?

All land owned by or under the control of Council (known as Public Land) is classified as either "Community" Land or "Operational" Land. This is a requirement of the Local Government Act 1993. Under the Local Government Act, 1993, a road or land to which the Crown Lands Act, 1989 applies, is not public land.

The essential difference between the two classifications is that Community Land is subject to restrictions as to how Council may lease or sell the land. Operational land is not subject to such restrictions. Community Land is primarily made up of Council's open space areas.

Chapter 6 of the Local Government Act, 1993 regulates Community Land. Community Land is required to be used and managed in accordance with a Plan of Management applying to that land.

#### 1.2 What is a Plan of Management?

The Local Government Act, 1993 also requires Councils to prepare Plans of Management, in consultation with the community, for all Community Land. Plans of Management are essential tools which identify the important features of the land, clarifies how Council intends to manage the land and identifies how the land may be used or developed.

Council has prepared a number of Plans of Management to cater for its Community Land. These include Plans of Management for Parks (small parks and playgrounds and larger parks), Sportsgrounds and General Community Use areas. These Plans of Management are known as generic plans, because they each refer to a type of Community Land serving a specific function.

Plans of Management have also been prepared for land identified as comprising the habitat of threatened/vulnerable species/population/community such as Peter Hislop Park and Auburn Golf Course. Further, a specific Plan of Management has also been prepared for the Auburn Botanic Gardens because it contains threatened/vulnerable species/population/community. The Auburn Botanic Gardens also require unique strategies to manage this regional facility.

In addition, a geographic Plan of Management has been prepared for the Duck River Foreshore. This plan covers areas relating to a common geographic feature, Duck River.



#### 1.3 What is the Purpose of this Plan of Management?

The purpose of this plan is to provide a management structure for Council's Parks (small parks and playgrounds and larger parks). This structure is to reflect the needs and views of the users of these areas, as well as those of Council's staff who are responsible for managing these areas. This Plan of Management also provides a framework to develop a balanced response to future pressures.

#### 1.4 Land Covered by this Plan of Management.

This Plan of Management applies to land listed in Table 1.

These Parks are scattered within the Auburn Local Government Area which is located at the juxtaposition of the inner/middle and outer western suburbs of Sydney - approximately 20 kilometres west of the Sydney Central Business District.

The Parks provide active and passive recreation for the community and contribute towards the aesthetic appearance of the Auburn Local Government Area.

There are a number of buildings, playground and play equipment on some of the parks. A list of Community Land with playground and play equipment is in Appendix 2.

#### 1.5 Land Ownership and Restrictions to the Use of the Land.

The property description and ownership details of land covered by this Plan of Management are provided in Appendix 1.

Auburn City Council does not own all the land covered by this Plan of Management. There is some Crown Lands within the Auburn Local Government Area under the care and control of Council and some land that are privately owned and owned by other public authorities. For example,

- Silverwater Park (Reserve No. 56754, appointed 29.2.1924)
- Lidcombe Remembrance Park (Reserve No. 84404, appointed 12.7.1963)
- Newington Reserve (R80360)

are Crown Lands reserved for public recreation. Some of these Parks are vested in Council and are subject to corporate trusts.

Others parks, such as:

- Greatrex Reserve
- Kibo Reserve
- Dawes Reserve
- Grandin Park
- Cutcliffe Reserve



#### • Spencer Reserve

are owned by other public authorities, but managed by Auburn City Council.

Under the Local Government Act, 1993, Council is not obliged to prepare Plans of Management for land to which the Crown Lands Act, 1989 applies.

Certain Crown Lands and private land not owned by a public authority are included in this Plan of Management for Council's management purposes (See Appendix 1). The provisions of Chapter 6 in regard to Community Land, of the Local Government Act, 1993 do not apply to these lands.

The property titles of land not owned by Council are included in Appendix 1. Some of the land not owned by Council are subject to trusts, estates, interest, conditions, dedications, restrictions or covenants imposed by the owner. This Plan of Management does not contain any provisions inconsistent with these trusts, estate, interest, dedication, condition, restrictions, conditions or covenant. Further, the Plan of Management does not contain any provisions that override any provisions, trusts, estate, interest, dedication, condition, restrictions, conditions or covenant imposed by the owner.

#### 1.6 What is the Land Category?

The Local Government Act 1993 also requires Community Land to be categorised as one or more of the following:

- (a) a natural area;
- (b) a sportsground;
- (c) a park;
- (d) an area of cultural significance;
- (e) general community use.

The Local Government Act 1993 requires that Community Land that is categorised as a natural area is to be further categorised as one or more of the following:

- (a) bushland;
- (b) wetland;
- (c) escarpment;
- (d) watercourse;
- (e) foreshore;



(f) a category prescribed by the regulations to the Act.

This Plan of Management applies to land classified "Community" under the generic category of "Park".

Some of the land covered by this Plan of Management have more than one category due to their nature and their diverse use and are included in other Plans of Management.

A list of all the Community Land and their categories are provided in Part A – General Information.



#### 1.7 Authorised Activities.

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993, the following are authorised by this Plan of Management:

a) Leases, and licences or granting of estates.

The Local Government Act, 1993 requires any leases and licences or granting of estates of Community Land to be authorised by a Plan of Management.

This Plan of Management expressly authorise Council to enter into a lease or licence with any person or organisation or entity for the use or occupation of part of or the whole of the subject land affected by this Plan of Management. The lease or licence or estate may be granted for any purpose that is consistent or ancillary to the objectives of the Plan of Management and in compliance with Chapter 6 of the Local Government Act, 1993. (See Appendix 3 for extracts from the Local Government Act, 1993).

Leases and licences or granting of estates, are to be granted in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 as amended, as prescribed in the Local Government Regulations and in accordance with any leasing, licensing and or hire policy or plan adopted by Auburn City Council. (A copy of Council's Policy for Leasing or Hire of Council's Sporting and Recreational Facilities is provided in Appendix 3).

Community Land cannot be leased or licensed or any other estate granted over the land for more than twenty-one (21) years. Leases and licences for more than five (5) years are allowed after community consultation.

b) Use or hire of the site with the consent of Council.

Council may grant consent to use or hire of the site in accordance with the objectives of this Plan of Management, the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 as amended, as prescribed in the Local Government General Regulations and in accordance with any leasing, licensing and or hire policy or plan adopted by Auburn City Council.

Use of the site should also be consistent with the provisions of any environmental planning instrument, deemed environmental planning instrument or development control plan adopted by Auburn City Council and the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 as amended.

c) Development of Community Land with the consent of Council.

Development of Community Land and construction of buildings, structures and facilities are to be consistent with the objectives of this Plan of Management and the provisions of any environmental planning instrument, deemed environmental planning instrument or development control plan



adopted by Auburn City Council. Development of Community Land should also be consistent with the requirements of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 as amended.

Section 47E of Chapter 6 of the Local Government Act, 1993, as amended, makes provisions relating to development of Community Land. (See Appendix 3 for extracts from the Local Government Act, 1993).

Council will consider the preparation of a Plan of Management to address development proposals that have the potential to significantly affect the environment and or cause interference to the existing and future amenity of adjoining occupations, surrounding areas and or the neighbourhood in general.

d) Use of Land for drainage purposes.

Provision of drainage easements in favour of upstream properties, subject to the following conditions:

- the easement is situated to the park's boundaries;
- appropriate compensation is sought for the easement burdening the park;
- the drainage easement shall not interfere with the use of the park;
- the stormwater pipe within the easement shall have a 1 in 100 year capacity;
- the stormwater pipe within the easement shall be constructed to Council's standards and specifications;
- all costs associated with the creation of the drainage easement shall be borne by the applicant; and
- the drainage easement shall be granted at the discretion of Council.
- e) Construction and or dedication as public road in accordance with the objectives of this Plan of Management and with Council approval.

The Local Government Act, 1993 requires that community land may not be dedicated as a public road under the Roads Act, 1993 (See Appendix 3 for extracts from the Local Government Act, 1993) unless:

- i) the road is necessary to facilitate enjoyment of the area of Community Land on which the road is to be constructed or any facility on that land, and
- ii) Council has considered means of access other than public road access to facilitate that enjoyment, and
- iii) there is a Plan of Management applying to the land concerned and provision of a public road is expressly authorised by the Plan of Management.



The following are exempt from the above provision:

- i) dedication of land for the purpose of widening an existing public road, or
- ii) dedication of land for the purpose of other road works of minor character authorised by the Plan of Management applying to the land, in respect of existing roads or roads, or
- iii) dedication of land for the purpose of a road that is subject to an order under Division 1 of Part 5 of the Roads Act, 1993.
- f) Fees and Charges.

Fees and charges shall be in accordance with the fees and charges specified in Council's annual Management Plan. Net proceeds should be used towards the general purpose and management of the parks.

g) Any activity or purpose which is consistent with the objectives of this Plan of Management, the Local Government Act, 1993, the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, deemed environmental planning instruments, environmental planning instruments and development control plans or policy adopted by Auburn City Council.



(Refer to Appendix 1 for locality maps and ownership details)

| Map<br>Number | Name   | Address   | Land Description   |
|---------------|--|---|--|
| 1             | Amy Street Reserve<br>(Guilfoyle Park)       | Amy Street,<br>REGENTS PARK                       | <ul><li>Lot 1 DP 434367</li><li>FI 1/434367</li></ul>  |
| 2             | Angus Park                                   | Renshaw Avenue,<br>AUBURN                         | <ul> <li>Lot 4 DP 29738</li> <li>Lot 61 DP 12790</li> <li>Lot 80 DP 12790</li> </ul>   |
| 3             | Apex Reserve                                 | Cnr Olympic Drive<br>& Church Street,<br>LIDCOMBE | • Part Portion 31 (See DP 432009 & DP 435879).   |
| 4             | Auburn Botanic Gardens                       | Chiswick Road,<br>AUBURN                          | • Part Lot 1 DP 2223666  |
| 5             | Auburn Community Picnic<br>Area              | Killeen Street,<br>AUBURN                         | <ul><li>Lot 1 DP 938994</li><li>Lots 26-29 DP 6713</li></ul>   |
| 6             | Auburn Landfill - Jamieson<br>Street Reserve | Jamieson Street,<br>SILVERWATER                   | <ul> <li>Lot 404 DP 48210 GG No. 6, 14<sup>th</sup> January, 1983 &amp; GG No. 161, 29<sup>th</sup> November, 1985.</li> <li>Lot 422 DP 824053 GG No. 73 27<sup>th</sup> June, 1969</li> </ul> |
| 7             | Auburn Park                                  | Macquarie Road,<br>AUBURN                         | • Reserve No. 1237-3000  |
| 8             | Bangor Park                                  | Bangor Street,<br>AUBURN                          | <ul> <li>Lot 7010 &amp; 7011         DP 93895 – Closed Road </li> <li>Lot 1 DP 72101</li> <li>Lot 2-6 Sec 5         DP 975152 </li> </ul>  |
| 9             | Beaconsfield Street Reserve                  | Beaconsfield<br>Street,<br>SILVERWATER            | <ul> <li>Lot 176 DP 6424</li> <li>FI 176/6424</li> <li>Lot 179 DP 6424</li> <li>FI 179/6424</li> </ul>   |
| 10            | Belgium Street Reserve                       | Belgium Street,<br>AUBURN                         | • Lot 5 DP 8215  |



| Map<br>Number | Name                     | Address   | Land Description            |
|---------------|--------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| 11            | Birnie Avenue<br>Reserve | Birnie Avenue, Homebush<br>Bay  | • Lot 3 DP 589764           |
| 12            | Boorea Street Reserve    | Cnr Boorea Street and<br>Olympic Drive,<br>LIDCOMBE                                 | • Lot 1 DP 787579           |
| 13            | Bridge Street Reserve    | Bridge Street,<br>LIDCOMBE  | • Lot 15 DP 262763          |
| 14            | Byrne Street Reserve     | Cnr Byrne Street and<br>Rawson Street,<br>AUBURN                                    | • Lot 11 DP 245064          |
| 15            | Carroll Street Reserve   | Carroll, Mathew, and<br>Neville Street,<br>LIDCOME                                  | • Lot 1 DP 948405           |
| 16            | Chadwick Reserve         | John Street and Olympic<br>Drive,<br>LIDCOMBE                                       | • Lot 1 DP 904525           |
| 17            | Chisholm Reserve         | Chisholm Road,<br>AUBURN  | • Lot 19-20 DP<br>35187     |
| 18            | Civic Park               | Auburn Road,<br>Norval Street,<br>AUBURN  | • Lot 11-15<br>Sec 1 DP 873 |
| 19            | Coleman Park             | Georges Avenue, Joseph<br>Street, Leila Street and<br>Nottinghill Road,<br>LIDCOMBE | Cnr Lot and Closed<br>Road  |
| 20            | Coronation Park          | Helena Street, AUBURN   | • Lot 9-10<br>Sec 6 DP 873  |
| 21            | Cutcliffe Reserve        | Corner of Lewis<br>and Cutcliffe<br>Avenue,<br>REGENTS PARK                         | • Lot C DP 35706            |



| Map<br>Number | Park Name                 | Address   | Land Description  |
|---------------|---------------------------|---|---|
| 22            | Dawes Reserve             | Between Dawes Avenue<br>and Smith Street,<br>REGENTS PARK | • Lot A DP 36144  |
| 23            | Deakin Park               | Deakin Street, AUBURN                                     | <ul> <li>Lot 55-61 DP 6673</li> <li>Lot 1 DP 366455</li> <li>Lot 1 DP 663270</li> <li>Lot D DP 14369</li> <li>Lot 68-73 DP 6673</li> <li>Lot 5-8 &amp; Lot 16-20 DP 712004</li> </ul> |
| 24            | Dudley Park               | Vaughan Street,<br>Dudley Street,<br>LIDCOMBE             | • Lot 10 Section 11<br>DP 1493  |
| 25            | Dunbar Avenue Park        | Kingsland Road and Dunbar<br>Street,<br>REGENTS PARK      | Part of Kingsland<br>Road<br>(private<br>subdivision road)  |
| 26            | East Street Reserve       | East Street,<br>LIDCOMBE                                  | • Lot 65 DP 35510   |
| 27            | Eric Crescent<br>Reserve  | Eric Crescent, LIDCOMBE                                   | • Lot 22 DP 219238  |
| 28            | Fraser Reserve            | Fraser Street, AUBURN                                     | <ul><li>Lot 16 DP 224829</li><li>Lot 18 DP 224829</li><li>Lot 42 DP 238330</li></ul>  |
| 29            | Friends Street<br>Reserve | Marsden and Davey Streets,<br>AUBURN                      | • Lot 38 DP 192190<br>in Bk 909 No. 763   |
| 30            | Grandin Park              | Georges Avenue,<br>LIDCOMBE                               | • Lot 46 DP 35510   |
| 31            | Greatrex Reserve          | Greatrex Avenue,<br>REGENTS PARK                          | • Lot 109 DP 35559  |



| Map<br>Number | Name                      | Address  | Land Description  |
|---------------|---------------------------|--|---|
| 32            | Grey Box Gum<br>Reserve   | Park Road, St John's<br>Road,<br>AUBURN          | • Lot 1 DP 828311   |
| 33            | Guilfoyle Park            | Regent Street,<br>REGENTS PARK                   | <ul> <li>Lot 8-9 DP 190860</li> <li>Lot A-B DP 365758</li> <li>Lot C-D DP 380701</li> <li>Lot A DP 360815</li> <li>Lot 29-32 Sec. 6<br/>DP 568</li> <li>Lot A, B&amp;C<br/>DP 346325</li> <li>Lot A DP 446023</li> <li>Lot 1 DP 209432</li> </ul> |
| 34            | Hampstead Road<br>Reserve | Hampstead Road,<br>AUBURN                        | <ul> <li>Lot 2 DP 9973188</li> <li>Lot 21–22<br/>DP 524272</li> </ul>   |
| 35            | Harold Moon Reserve       | Mary Street, and<br>Chisholm Street,<br>AUBURN   | • Lot 10 DP 56294   |
| 36            | Hill Road Reserve         | Hill Road, and Carter<br>Street, HOMEBUSH<br>BAY | • Lot 48 DP 225351  |
| 37            | Hume Park                 | Bligh Street, AUBURN                             | <ul> <li>Lot 7,8,9 Sec 4 DP 66707</li> <li>Lot 163-167 DP 6424</li> <li>Land resumed for Park and Recreation – Notation Plan16069-3000.</li> </ul>  |
| 38            | Jack and Jill Reserve     | Tilba Street and<br>Cambridge Street,<br>BERALA  | <ul> <li>Lot E-F DP 15632</li> <li>Lot 18 Sec 4<br/>DP 435</li> </ul>   |



| Map<br>Number | Name                         | Address  | Land Description   |
|---------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| 39            | Jewish Reserve               | Davey Street and<br>Raphael Street               | • Lot 1 DP 568130  |
| 40            | Kennington Oval              | Kennington Oval,<br>AUBURN                       | • Part of DP 974986  |
| 41            | Kibo Park                    | Fourth Avenue, Bradley Avenue, Kibo Road, BERALA | • Lot 2 DP 607318  |
| 42            | Kingsland Road Reserve       | Cnr Hyde Park Road,<br>BERALA                    | • Lot 14 Sec. 1 DP 778   |
| 43            | Kulgan Reserve               | Park Road and Kulgan<br>Avenue,<br>AUBURN        | <ul><li>Lot 9 &amp; 10 DP 5934</li><li>Lot 4 DP 232715</li></ul>   |
| 44            | Leonie Crescent Reserve      | Leonie Crescent and<br>Kingsland Road,<br>BERALA | <ul> <li>Lot 5 DP 31745</li> <li>Lot X DP 406836</li> <li>Lot 4 DP 31745</li> <li>Lot 13 DP 30544</li> </ul> |
| 45            | Lidcombe Remembrance<br>Park | Joseph Street,<br>LIDCOMBE                       | • Crown Land<br>(Reserve No. 84404<br>dated 12.7.1963)   |
| 46            | Lower Duck River<br>Reserve  | Rhyl Street,<br>AUBURN                           | • Lot 32-33 Sec 1 DP<br>975152   |
| 47            | Newington Reserve            | Holker Street,<br>SILVERWATER                    | • Lot 399 DP 45152<br>(R80360)   |
| 48            | Newton North Reserve         | Newton Street,<br>SILVERWATER                    | • Lot 2 DP 713708  |
| 49            | Norman Park                  | Park Road, AUBURN                                | • Lot 2 DP 623447  |
| 50            | Olympic Drive Reserve        | Olympic Drive,<br>LIDCOMBE                       | R60119for Public     Recreation vide GG     18 <sup>th</sup> November, 1927     Folio5419.                   |



| Map<br>Number | Name                            | Address   | Land Description  |
|---------------|---------------------------------|---|---|
| 51            | Olympic Drive<br>South Reserves | Olympic Drive,<br>LIDCOMBE  | <ul> <li>Lot 5 DP 261550</li> <li>Lot 4 DP 261550</li> <li>Private Subdivision Road,<br/>Vol. 492 Folio 174, 5 in DP<br/>1767</li> </ul>  |
| 52            | Phillips Park                   | Nicolas Street, Dalley<br>Street, Princess Street,<br>Martin Street and<br>Platform Street,<br>LIDCOMBE | <ul> <li>Lot 19 Sec 3 DP 831</li> <li>Lot A DP 395946</li> <li>Lot E DP 395945</li> <li>Lot G DP 395943</li> <li>Lot K DP 395944</li> <li>Portion 130-133, 135-137, 139-142 &amp;178-179,</li> <li>Portion 134 FI 134/752036</li> <li>Lot 1 DP 972311</li> <li>Lot 1 DP 972512</li> <li>Lot 1-4 DP 323804</li> <li>Portion 182 FI182/752036</li> <li>Portion 180 &amp; 181 ac913-158</li> <li>Portion 143 FI143/752036</li> <li>Portion 144 &amp;177 AC3520-66</li> </ul> |
| 53            | Pine Park                       | Pine Road and<br>Chestnut Road,<br>AUBURN   | • Lot 101-103 & 116 DP 1638.  |
| 54            | Potts Hill Reserve              | Nottinghill Road  | <ul><li>Nottinghill Road</li><li>Lot 85 DP 35567</li></ul>  |
| 55            | Princes Park                    | Princes Road west,<br>AUBURN  | <ul> <li>Lot B DP 420401</li> <li>Lot 6 Sec 22<br/>DP 192307</li> </ul>   |
| 56            | Railway<br>Memorial<br>Reserve  | Railway Parade,<br>LIDCOMBE   | • Lot R DP 751  |
| 57            | Railway Park                    | Rawson Street, and<br>Station Road,<br>AUBURN   | <ul><li>Conveyance Bk 1237 No. 20;</li><li>Conveyance Bk 1856 No. 465.</li></ul>  |



| Map<br>Number | Name                                | Address   | Land Description   |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| 58            | Silverwater Park,                   | Silverwater Road,<br>AUBURN   | <ul> <li>Lot 1-2 DP 85506</li> <li>Crown Plan 16070-<br/>3000 GG No. 20<br/>8<sup>th</sup> February, 1957</li> </ul> |
| 59            | Spencer Reserve                     | Spencer Street,<br>BERALA<br>(through way to<br>Sixth Avenue and<br>Kingsland Road) | • Lot 101<br>DP 803615   |
| 60            | St Johns Reserve                    | St Johns Avenue,<br>AUBURN  | • Part of DP 974986  |
| 61            | Stan Hedges Reserve                 | Dartbrook Road and<br>Simpson Street,<br>AUBURN                                     | • Lot 2 DP 959197  |
| 62            | Station Road Reserve                | Station Road,<br>AUBURN   | • Lot 34-35 Sec 8<br>DP 1251   |
| 63            | Swete Street Reserve                | Swete Street,<br>LIDCOMBE   | <ul> <li>Portion 98 (R 72595) GG 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 1948. </li> <li>Crown Road</li> </ul>                      |
| 64            | Upper Duck River<br>Reserve         | Princes Road west,<br>REGENTS PARK  | • Pt Lot 8 Sec 5,<br>Conveyance Bk<br>2588 No. 835   |
| 65            | Vivian Crescent<br>Drainage Reserve | Vivian Crescent,<br>BERALA  | • Lot 24 DP 202032   |
| 66            | Vivian Reserve                      | Vivian Crescent,<br>BERALA  | • Lot 22 DP 202032   |
| 67            | Woodburn Road<br>Reserve            | Woodburn Road,<br>BERALA  | <ul> <li>Lot 40 Sec. 1</li> <li>DP 435</li> <li>Lot 2 DP 301052</li> </ul>   |
| 68            | York Street Reserve                 | York and Lidbury<br>Streets, BERALA   | • Lot 17-19 & 37-38<br>Sec 1 DP 977  |



#### 2.0 MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES.

#### 2.1 Objectives.

This Plan of Management establishes general management objectives and issues which will be used as a guide for design and future management of Council's Community Land categorised as a Park.

The core objectives for Parks are:

- (a) To encourage, promote and facilitate recreational, cultural, social and educational pastimes and activities.
- (b) To provide for passive recreational activities or pastimes and for the casual playing of games.
- (c) To improve the land in such a way as to promote and facilitate its use to achieve the other core objectives for its management.

Other objectives for Parks are:

- a) To provide a quality system of parks for use by members of the community.
- b) To ensure the park's primary purpose for public recreation is retained.
- c) To ensure structured events are properly authorised.
- d) To balance the management of the resource to the community's expectations but within staff and budgetary constraints.
- e) To provide a range/diversity of playgrounds for use by all members of the community.
- f) To provide passive recreational opportunities for children, adults and persons with a disability.
- g) To provide a healthy and aesthetically pleasing environment.
- h) To enhance the use of this community asset for the active/passive recreational, aesthetic, environmental and cultural benefit of the community, including non-residents.

The means by which Council proposes to achieve the objectives and performance targets and the manner of assessing its performance in respect to the objectives and performance targets, are detailed in Table 2 of this Plan of Management. A list of issues for management of the Parks have been identified and are listed.



Regular review of the management strategies should be undertaken to ensure their relevance and consistency with changing community expectations and budgetary constraints.



**TABLE 2 – MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES** 

| Management Issue                                 | Objectives &<br>Performance Targets  | Means of Achievement   | Manner of Assessment   | Responsibility   |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| Recreation and<br>Recreational<br>Opportunities. | <ul> <li>To provide for recreational opportunities.</li> <li>To allow games which are suitable within parks.</li> <li>To ensure that the opportunities for recreation do not adversely affect the environment and the surrounding area.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Investigate the type of recreational facilities needed.</li> <li>Where possible improve existing facilities and enhance existing parkland areas.</li> <li>Use of regulatory signage.</li> </ul> | Number of comments about available opportunities.      Number of comments about activities permitted.      | <ul> <li>Department of Service<br/>Planning.</li> <li>Department of Service<br/>Delivery.</li> </ul> |
| • Equity.  | To ensure a balanced provision of parks, especially parks with playground facilities, throughout residential areas.  | The acquisition of parkland and enhancement of playground equipment in line with Council's Section 94 Contributions Plan for Open Space.   | Number of parks (with<br>playground equipment)<br>located within 500m of<br>the majority of<br>residences. | <ul> <li>Department of Service Planning.</li> <li>Department of Service Delivery.</li> </ul>         |



| Management Issue | Objectives & Performance Targets   | Means of Achievement  | Manner of Assessment   | Responsibility  |
|------------------|--|---|--|---|
| • Park design.   | <ul> <li>To ensure parks are of high quality design and have an appropriate size and shape in accordance with their demand and purpose.</li> <li>To design high quality parks which are visually attractive and enhance use of the parks.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Appropriate design of Parks.</li> <li>Consistency with Council's Section 94 Contribution Plan.</li> <li>Appropriate design and selection of materials to ensure a balance between cultural and indigenous landscapes.</li> <li>Preserve and reinforce indigenous plantings.</li> <li>Incorporation of mounding where appropriate.</li> <li>To ensure design is consistent with Council's regulations.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Number of comments about quality of design of park and aesthetics of the area.</li> <li>Comments about visual impact and attractiveness of the park.</li> <li>Comments relating to use by the public.</li> <li>Number of comments relating to public acceptance, use, durability of the landscape character.</li> </ul> | Department of Service Planning.     Department of Service Delivery. |



| Manage     | ement Issue        | Objectives &  | Means of Achievement   | Manner of Assessment  | Responsibility  |
|------------|--------------------|---|--|---|---|
|            |                    | Performance Targets   |  |   |   |
| • Building | gs and Facilities. | <ul> <li>To provide for buildings and facilities to meet identified needs.</li> <li>To provide aesthetically high quality and suitable buildings and facilities which are ancillary to the operation of the parks and complementary to the design of the park.</li> <li>To provide safe, clean, convenient and hygienic facilities for persons of all abilities.</li> <li>To provide for multipurpose use of buildings and facilities.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Application of relevant Council codes, plans, policies, Building Code of Australia and relevant Australian Standards (example Australian Standard 1428.1 – Design for Access and Mobility- General Requirements for Access).</li> <li>Appropriate design of building and facilities and use of materials and equipment.</li> <li>Appropriate level of cleaning and maintenance.</li> <li>Regular assessment of buildings and improvements.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Incidents of noncompliance with Council's codes and policies, relevant regulations and Australian Standards.</li> <li>Comments relating to design of parks and adequacy of buildings and facilities.</li> <li>Number of comments on maintenance and hygiene.</li> <li>Number of maintenance per year.</li> </ul> | Department of Service Planning.     Department of Service Delivery. |



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| Telecommunications.  (example Satellite dishes, telephone poles etc)                                   | To minimise the visual and environmental impact of telecommunications equipment on parks and surrounding areas. | <ul> <li>Approval from Council and Service Authorities.</li> <li>Compliance with Council's planning regulation and relevant regulations.</li> </ul>          | Number of community<br>comments regarding<br>environmental and visual<br>impact.  | <ul> <li>Department of Service Planning.</li> <li>Department of Service Delivery.</li> </ul> |
| Outdoor Furniture and Facilities.  (example tables, seats, bins, bubblers, planter tubs, tree guards). | To provide quality designed furniture at suitable locations.  | Provision of quality and appropriate outdoor furniture.  | <ul> <li>Incidents of (non) compliance with approvals.</li> <li>Number of comments about suitability, location and style.</li> </ul>    | <ul> <li>Department of Service Planning.</li> <li>Department of Service Delivery.</li> </ul> |
| Tree Preservation.   | Manage, protect and control existing and future trees in the park.  | <ul> <li>Application of Council's<br/>Tree Preservation Order.</li> <li>Application of correct<br/>horticultural and tree<br/>surgery techniques.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Number of breaches of<br/>the Tree Preservation<br/>Order.</li> <li>Number of reported<br/>incidents of sick trees.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Department of Service Planning.</li> <li>Department of Service Delivery.</li> </ul> |



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| Vegetation Management. | <ul> <li>To ensure growth of suitable and appropriate species.</li> <li>To control weed invasion.</li> <li>To regenerate areas of remnant bushland.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Planting regimes to enhance indigenous plantings and reduce further weed growth.</li> <li>Ensure exotic species are appropriately located.</li> <li>Use of suitable organic mulches at appropriate depth.</li> <li>Regular maintenance and weed removal.</li> <li>Government employment programs in revegetation.</li> <li>Encouragement of schools in revegetation programs.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Number of comments about public acceptance.</li> <li>Level of park usage.</li> <li>Degree of turf encroachment into planted areas.</li> <li>Presence of weeds maintained at controllable levels.</li> <li>Increase numbers of participants in revegetation programs.</li> <li>Additional revegetation programs undertaken.</li> <li>Number of comments about quality of vegetation.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Department of Service Planning.</li> <li>Department of Service Delivery.</li> </ul> |



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| Community     Awareness,     Education and     Involvement. | To ensure community awareness of open space resources.  To allow use of parks for environmental, social, educational and cultural pastimes. | <ul> <li>Provision of guidance and publicity by Council.</li> <li>To set up education programs about parks.</li> </ul>              | Reported achievements by the Community.      Comments regarding acceptance and appreciation of parks.   | <ul> <li>Department of Service Planning.</li> <li>Department of Service Delivery.</li> <li>Department of Corporate Services.</li> </ul> |
| Transport Links.  | To enable the connection of parks with other recreational and transport facilities and nodes.   | <ul> <li>To link parks with transport nodes.</li> <li>To ensure safety of users.</li> <li>Appropriate signage for users.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Number of transport links available and provided.</li> <li>Level and number of vehicular and pedestrian conflicts.</li> <li>Number of comments relating to safety and congestion.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Department of<br/>Service Planning.</li> <li>Department of<br/>Service Delivery.</li> </ul>                                    |
| Vehicular Traffic.  | To ensure safe traffic flow.  | Appropriate design and<br>management of roads<br>and traffic.   | <ul> <li>Number of inspections by<br/>Council's Law Enforcement<br/>Officers.</li> <li>Number of vehicle / pedestrian<br/>accidents.</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Department of<br/>Service Planning.</li> <li>Department of<br/>Service Delivery.</li> </ul>                                    |



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| • Parking.         | <ul> <li>To ensure safe parking.</li> <li>To minimise the spill over of car parking into surrounding residential streets.</li> <li>To exclude unauthorised private parking in the parks.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Maintain car parking areas.</li> <li>Appropriate layout, design, location and construction of parking areas.</li> <li>Application of relevant regulations and Australian Standards. (example Australian Standard 2890.1-1993 (Parts 1-5 Parking Facilities and Australian Standard 1428.1-1993 Design for Access and Mobility).</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Existing car parking areas maintained to useable standard.</li> <li>Number of comments regarding parking impacts.</li> <li>Number of parking infringements.</li> <li>Number of comments about adequacy of parking.</li> </ul> | Department of Service Planning.     Department of Service Delivery.                                  |
| Pedestrian Access. | <ul> <li>To ensure safe and accessible pedestrian access on defined tracks, paths, accessways etc.</li> <li>To manage and control cycle/skate access where</li> </ul>                               | <ul> <li>Adequate design,<br/>construction and<br/>maintenance.</li> <li>Use of appropriate<br/>signage.</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Reported incidents of unauthorised use.</li> <li>Number of comments about suitability of access.</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Department of Service<br/>Planning.</li> <li>Department of Service<br/>Delivery.</li> </ul> |



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| Access for People with Disabilities. | Provide access for people with<br>disabilities to and within parks<br>where appropriate and<br>practical.   | High quality and appropriate design of pavements, facilities, structures and parking to comply with relevant Australian Standards.                                    | Number of comments on<br>ease of use and access.  | <ul> <li>Department of<br/>Service Planning.</li> <li>Department of<br/>Service Delivery.</li> </ul> |
| Bike / Cycle Tracks.                 | <ul> <li>To allow integration and linking of cycle paths, particularly along Duck River to Parramatta River.</li> <li>To allow integration of children cycle tracks into playground facilities.</li> <li>To ensure appropriate location of cycle/skate tracks.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Integrate cycle planning<br/>and design of<br/>development of parks<br/>where appropriate.</li> <li>Provide safe and<br/>functional cycle tracks.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Comments about community satisfaction and level of use.</li> <li>Minimal/no injuries.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Department of<br/>Service Planning.</li> <li>Department of<br/>Service Delivery.</li> </ul> |



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| Use of Parks-      Motor Bikes.     Cycle and Skate Access.     Vendor Ice-cream carts.     Animals.     Informal recreation.     Kiosks. | <ul> <li>To provide opportunities for appropriate access to and use of parks.</li> <li>To regulate and manage entry into parks and pedestrian areas where appropriate.</li> <li>Allow licensing, leasing and or hiring of parks in accordance with the objectives of this plan of management and as approved by Council.</li> <li>To allow for the management of park usage times, special events and user groups.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Appropriate leasing and licencing agreement(s).</li> <li>Use of Regulatory signage and appropriate control measures.</li> <li>Council approval for vendor-ice-cream carts.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Comments about motor bike use.</li> <li>Number of Police and Council Law Enforcement Officer investigations.</li> <li>Number of comments about vendors in public places.</li> <li>Number of (new) licences granted per year.</li> <li>Breaches of Council approval.</li> <li>Number of unauthorised special events and group activities.</li> </ul> | Department of Service Planning.     Department of Corporate Services. |



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| General Hiring.   | <ul> <li>To provide for informal hire of parks.</li> <li>To allow special events within parks, which is consistent with the overall objectives and which have minimal adverse environmental impact.</li> </ul> | Council approval.     Assessment of requests for hire on a case by case basis.  | <ul> <li>Parks available for hire.</li> <li>Number of comments<br/>about special events.</li> <li>Number of events and<br/>attendance</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Department of Service Planning.</li> <li>Department of Corporate Services.</li> </ul>       |
| <ul> <li>Playgrounds –</li> <li>Design and Location.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>To incorporate a variety of playground equipment.</li> <li>To provide high quality playgrounds.</li> <li>To ensure playgrounds are planned and integrated into the physical setting.</li> </ul>       | <ul> <li>Playground design,<br/>materials and layout to<br/>relevant safety standards<br/>equipment.</li> <li>Playground sited away<br/>from physical hazards.</li> <li>Playground equipment to<br/>be located so children<br/>using the equipment can<br/>be easily supervised.</li> </ul> | Number of accidents and injuries attributed to unsafe design, siting and layout.   | <ul> <li>Department of Service<br/>Planning.</li> <li>Department of Service<br/>Delivery.</li> </ul> |



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| <ul> <li>Playgrounds -</li> <li>Access.</li> <li>Fencing.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>To provide playgrounds and associated facilities which satisfy statutory requirements.</li> <li>To allow for the provision of playgrounds which are accessible to all persons including persons with a disability.</li> <li>To allow for the provision of fencing around playground areas for safety and supervision.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Compliance with the requirements of relevant Council approvals.</li> <li>Compliance with relevant Australian Standards.</li> <li>Compliance with other regulatory requirements (example Commonwealth Disability Discrimination Act, 1992).</li> <li>Provision of suitable fencing where appropriate.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Number of incidents of non-compliance with Council approval.</li> <li>Number of comments on community satisfaction of accessibility of playground facilities.</li> <li>Compliance with relevant regulations.</li> <li>Number of reported incidents relating to fencing.</li> </ul> | Department of Service Planning.     Department of Service Delivery. |



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| Playgrounds - • Safety. | <ul> <li>To provide safe and functional playgrounds.</li> <li>To ensure safe location of playground.</li> <li>To provide shade devices where appropriate.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Playground equipment to be located to minimise the effect that passing traffic could have on the safety of playground users.</li> <li>Playground equipment to be located so that children using the equipment can be easily supervised.</li> <li>Ensure design of playground equipment has regard to safety issues and regulations</li> <li>(example Playground and play equipment Australian Standard/New Zealand Standard 4486.1:1997).</li> </ul> | No accidents or injury associated with its use. | <ul> <li>Department of Service Planning.</li> <li>Department of Service Delivery.</li> </ul> |



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| • Playgrounds - • Safety. | To provide adequate lighting.    | <ul> <li>Number of comments about impact of vandalism on playground use.</li> <li>Use of sun shading devices (eg. for sandpits and climbing equipment.</li> <li>Use of softfall as a surface in the play area to comply with relevant Australian Standard (example Playground Surfacing Australian Standard/New Zealand Standard 4422:1996. Specifications and Test Methods).</li> <li>Investigate a program for the provision of lighting throughout parks where appropriate.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Number of comments on lighting and a sense of security within parks.</li> <li>Provision of lighting within parks.</li> </ul> | Department of Service Planning.     Department of Service Delivery. |



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| • | Playgrounds -  • Maintenance. | To provide safe and functional playgrounds.   | Routine assessment and inspections for safety and functionality.  | Comments about community satisfaction.   | <ul> <li>Department of Service<br/>Planning.</li> <li>Department of Service<br/>Delivery.</li> </ul> |
| • | Impacts on surrounding areas. | <ul> <li>To minimise impacts on surrounding areas.</li> <li>To manage and control impacts of noise from park usage on surrounding areas.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Council approval.</li> <li>Regulatory signage.</li> <li>Use of acoustic design principles.</li> <li>Community education.</li> <li>Controlled background noise and hours of usage.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Reports of related excessive noise.</li> <li>Council's Law Enforcement Officer and Police investigation.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Department of Service<br/>Planning.</li> <li>Department of Service<br/>Delivery.</li> </ul> |



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| Waste Management.                      | <ul> <li>To provide bins for users.</li> <li>To prohibit rubbish dumping and littering.</li> <li>To encourage and promote recycling.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Regulatory signage at suitable locations.</li> <li>Community education.</li> <li>Provide garbage and recycling bins for glass, aluminium, and plastics.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Number of incidents of illegal dumping.</li> <li>Cost of clean-up and litter collection per year.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Department of Service Planning.</li> <li>Department of Service Delivery.</li> </ul>         |
| • Funding.                             | To ensure adequate<br>funding for necessary<br>maintenance and<br>enhancement of parks.   | Conditions of parks<br>assessed as part of<br>Council's annual<br>budgeting process.  | Adequate funds available.   | Council.   |
| Alcohol Possession and<br>Consumption. | To regulate / prohibit the consumption/possession of alcohol, except within appropriate premises and other leased concession areas.             | <ul> <li>Regulatory signage.</li> <li>Investigation of<br/>Council's Law<br/>Enforcement Officers<br/>and Police.</li> </ul>  | Number of comments<br>and investigations.   | <ul> <li>Department of Service<br/>Planning.</li> <li>Department of Service<br/>Delivery.</li> </ul> |



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| Regulatory Breaches. | To control breaches of prohibited or inappropriate activity within parks. | <ul> <li>Regulatory signage.</li> <li>Council's Law<br/>Enforcement<br/>Officers/Police<br/>investigations.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Number of breaches reported.</li> <li>Number of successful investigations and prosecutions.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Department of Service Planning.</li> <li>Department of Service Delivery.</li> </ul> |
|                      |   | • Prosecution of offenders where appropriate.  |   |  |



# **APPENDIX 1**

Land Inventory Maps.

Relevant Copies of Property Titles and Government Gazettes.

