

RECREATION AREA



LEGEND

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| PLAYGROUND       | SCOUT HALL   |
| PICNIC AREA      | PAVILLION<br>Provision for potential extension<br>Not to scale - Indicative only |
| MAINTENANCE SHED | CRICKET NETS<br>Indicative only  |

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| ACTIONS ((Refer to LD MP 02))                 | SITE BOUNDARY                  |
| PRIMARY WALKING TRAILS                        | MAINT/EMERGENCY VEHICLE ACCESS |
| NEW PRIMARY PATH ACCESS<br>To be investigated | INFORMAL WALKING TRAILS        |

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| WEST OVAL<br>Formal Sportsground<br>E.g. Cricket/football<br>Indicative only    | EXISTING AREA OF MANAGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS VEGETATION<br>As identified in the Native Vegetation Works Program |
| EAST OVAL<br>Informal Sports<br>E.g. Dog exercising/training<br>Indicative only | PROPOSED DISABLED CARPARK<br>At existing mobile vendor site  |

FLORA & FAUNA RESERVE



MASTERPLAN - AUGUST 2013  
CHELTENHAM PARK



VISION

Cheltenham Park is of regional significance for its remnant vegetation, indicative of the area.

Cheltenham Park is highly valued and respected for:

- It's informal, natural and wild character and ecological significance in terms of the abundance and diversity of its native flora and fauna.
- Recreation for formal sporting activities such as cricket and football, dog training, bushwalking and other passive pursuits.
- It's historical heritage importance.

PRINCIPLES

1. Enhance the 'informal, natural and wild' landscape character of the park.
2. Improve recognition as to the importance and significance of the parks':
  - Indigenous flora and fauna species
  - Diversity of flora and fauna species
  - History and heritage
3. Ensure formal sporting requirements are appropriately catered for without encroaching on the informal nature of the park.
4. Continue to involve the community in the management and maintenance of the Park.

PARK WIDE OPPORTUNITIES

- Enhance and showcase indigenous species and improve the public awareness of the indigenous flora present in designated areas.
- The road and car park surfaces are to be redesigned and improved to define circulation and parking. An improved surface will also assist in suppressing the dust and improve surface drainage and erosion. It is recommended that a natural material is used for the car park and driveway with the exception of the entry ramp which will be a sealed surface for safety. Carpark design subject to further community consultation.
- Upgrade the surface of all primary walking trails with an all weather, porous compacted material. Existing access tracks, north of the main oval, to Park Road to be formalised and surface upgraded. Cut back encroaching vegetation, particularly along the south east. Provide a circuit walk that encompasses the Flora & Fauna Reserve and the Recreation Area. Make provision for emergency vehicles. Investigate provisions for improved access where appropriate. This is to be achieved without the loss of established trees, although minor pruning may be required. Existing paths will not be widened, with the exception of the path for emergency access.
- Upgrade park furniture, including table/chair units and individual bench seats, through the replacement of dilapidated existing furniture with tables and benches. Respond to future community needs as required. Furniture within the Flora and Fauna Reserve to be naturalistic in appearance, whilst furniture in the recreation area to be traditional Bayside park furniture. Replace treated pine road barriers with timber bollards.
- Upgrade and rationalise park directional and interpretive signage. Format to be contemporary and consistent with Bayside City Council's Signage Guidelines. Upgraded signage is to:
  - Provide an insight into the Park's history dating back to the 1870s.
  - Acknowledge the former war memorial.
  - Provide an interpretive/discovery trail that educates the community about the ecological value of the Reserve.
- Improve current interfaces between the park and neighbouring golf course, cemetery and roads.
- Remove woody weeds from the park to protect and enhance vegetation.
- Exotic trees will be removed from Cheltenham Park through natural attrition.
- Provide better linkages and trails.

SPECIFIC OPPORTUNITIES (FLORA & FAUNA RESERVE)

(Refer to LD MP 01) \*Not in priority order

- ① Manage and maintain all vegetation and extend the management and re-vegetation of important areas of indigenous vegetation throughout the park. Action to ensure all indigenous vegetation restoration and management is consistent with the Ecological Vegetation Classes (EVC's) identified in the Bayside Native Vegetation Works Program (NVWP). **S-L \$ O**
- ② Improve the drainage and gravel surface of the pedestrian paths. Remove/relocate bluestone edging and provide a designated widened (2.5m) path for emergency vehicle access. Ensure protection of existing vegetation and appropriate construction and materials to minimise erosion and runoff. **S \$\$\$ C**
- ③ The centrally located maintenance shed is to be better utilised by an appropriate user/Friends group. **S \$ O**
- ④ Retain the Scout Hall and improve the general landscape amenity of the surrounding area. Provide an outside water tap with bubbler. **S \$ O**

**NOTE:** The endorsement of the Cheltenham Park Masterplan by Council does not constitute a decision to proceed with any identified opportunities. It provides a long term concept to guide decision making and will be subject to future decisions and funding considerations by Council.



WESTERN OVAL LOOKING WEST



EXISTING LANDSCAPE CHARACTER

SPECIFIC OPPORTUNITIES (RECREATION AREA)

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- ⑤ Upgrade and improve access and appearance of the vehicle entry point from Park Road. **M \$\$\$ C**
- ⑥ Replace the timber retaining wall along the Park Road frontage. Supplement the existing plantings with shrubs and groundcovers. Investigate provision for footpath from station to park entrance. **S \$\$\$ C**
- ⑦ Consolidate individual signage boards into an integrated signage/information panel. **S \$ C**
- ⑧ Improve the facilities within the cricket pavilion, including showers, storage and lighting. The opportunity exists to expand the footprint of the pavilion by enclosing the southern roofed area. **M \$\$\$ C**
- ⑨ Maintain the existing on/off leash areas for dogs and improve signage of these areas. **S \$ O**
- ⑩ Provide a covered shelter and shade structure/sail within the immediate vicinity of the recently upgraded bbq/play area. **S \$\$\$ C**
- ⑪ Improve delineation between golf course and park. Provide a continuous low level barrier and or bollards that pedestrians can pass through at strategic locations. Install appropriate signage to alert park users of risks associated with passing through the golf fairways. **S,M \$\$\$ C**
- ⑫ Investigate establishing a pedestrian connection between Park Road and the existing primary walking trail near the playground, with consideration to protecting the existing indigenous grasses. Investigate provision of new western oval perimeter path up to 1.5 metres in width. The path surface to be a porous material (i.e. granitic gravel) and construction to ensure no loss of trees. **M \$\$\$ C**
- ⑬ Install new furniture. **S-L \$\$\$ O,C**
- ⑭ Investigate installation of an additional cricket net and relocate vehicle entrance to the east oval. **M \$\$\$ C**
- ⑮ Enhance the area of woodland along the western boundary in conjunction with the golf club. **S-L \$\$\$ O**
- ⑯ Investigate future installation of sports ground lighting on west oval, with consideration to fauna requirements specific to the site ie: microbats. **M,L \$\$\$ C**
- ⑰ Confirm dimensions of both sports grounds to determine boundaries and vegetation maintenance requirements. **S \$ O**

LEGEND

Priorities		Order of Costs	
S	Short Term (0-3 years)	\$	\$0-20k
M	Medium Term (4-7 years)	\$\$	\$20k-\$100k
L	Long Term (7+ years)	\$\$\$	\$100k+
S-L	Implemented throughout the lifetime of the Management Plan		
Funding			
C	Capital funding required		
O	Operating expenditure (can be accommodated with existing operating budget, ie - open space budget)		

