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1 Introduction

In September 2017 the City of Greater Dandenong engaged the consultant team led by Michael Smith and Associates to prepare a Masterplan for Parkfield Reserve, Noble Park. One of the key aims of the master planning process was;

To develop a Master Plan that will strengthen and progress Parkfield Reserve's role as a district multi-purpose park that provides for a broad range of sports and recreational pursuits, that is well utilised and meets the recreational, growing population and social needs of the diverse Noble Park community.

1.1 Key Issues

Council identified the following key issues to be addressed in the preparation of the Masterplan. These are:

- The spatial planning and functional layout of the reserve which has a number of inefficiencies and compliance issues associated with the oval.
- Ensuring that all the sporting facilities meet the current Australian Standards for the codes of sport played at the reserve.
- The non-compliance and functional issues with regards to the sporting facility standards and requirements for the Parkfield Pavilion and Noble Park Tennis Club.
- The opportunities for the reserve if the underutilised cycling track was removed to facilitate an expansion of sports and

recreational uses, such as an enlarged oval and an improved shared path network.

- The gap between the existing car parking provision and the current and future onsite parking demand.
- Required infrastructure to support both existing uses and the future provision of sports facilities to cater for the changing sporting and recreational needs of the community.
- The future role of Ellendale Road Childcare Centre within the north eastern corner of the reserve.
- The existing flooding, drainage and retarding issues and opportunities for the oval and surrounds to integrate a response in a future design.
- Strengthening the cycle and pedestrian connections within the reserve that cater for people of all abilities and encourage a higher level of recreational participation.
- Planning for the future population growth and demographics of the area including capturing and accommodating the current and the future local sporting participation and trends.
- Consideration of the multi-cultural influences on sport and passive recreation.
- Strengthening integration of existing uses.
- Providing a balance of competition sports uses and facilities with passive recreation uses and open space.
- Improving the amenity of the reserve for passive recreation.
- Increasing shade and tree planting across the park.
- Removal of obsolete infrastructure.
- Upgrading the quality of the existing playground and informal play spaces to cater for a broader range of users.

1.2 Masterplan Objectives

Objective 1 -General Masterplan

- The design vision should integrate the recreation, sports, facilities, leisure, environmental, economic, cultural and community activities.
- Retain its role as a district multi-purpose park that provides for a broad range of passive and active recreational pursuits.
- The vision should be rigorous and also provide sufficient flexibility to cater for a range of actions and uses depending on circumstances and opportunities as they arise.
- Development of a park that respects the 'openness' of the reserve but provides nodes that work hard to provide a higher level of activity and multi-purpose facilities to service the diverse community needs and growing population.
- It will be recognised as a high-quality park with an emphasis on design excellence in terms of landscape, sports provision and built form.
- Responds to the identified growing population of Noble Park, in relation to its proximity to the Noble Park Activity Centre and the residential 'Substantial' (RGZ) and 'Incremental' (GRZ) change areas.
- Reflects the local community ideas and aspirations, as an outcome of the comprehensive community consultation process.
- To promote youth friendly design catering for emerging children's and teenage activities, as well as the needs of diverse age groups.
- To design solutions using "Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design Principles" (CPTED) to improve public safety and visibility.

Objective 2 - Sports Clubs and Grounds, Building Infrastructure and Community Facilities

- Prepare a summary of the existing reserve building uses, their role and a high-level assessment of the buildings' suitability for long term development in association with the future role of sporting clubs and community uses.
- Review and provide recommendations for the Noble Park Tennis Club and Parkfield Pavilion in terms of a potential footprint expansion, consolidation of sports club buildings and services.
- Provide an assessment of the existing oval and its capacity to provide multi use flexibility (synthetic and grass considerations) and cater for competition grade, training and senior and junior use.
- Undertake a capacity analysis of Parkfield Reserve to cater for a range of major sports facilities which cater for a range of sporting codes and which have an identified demand (i.e. Soccer & Cricket), or the expansion of a particular game. For example: open age community cricket, senior games, soccer's small sided games, 5 a side or Futsal.
- Identify opportunities for the tennis courts or surrounds to provide additional complementary sports uses such as informal netball, basketball, volleyball etc.
- Audit and provide recommendations on options for sports ground lighting to enable use for night time training.
- Areas for smaller scale community or cultural sports/ games, informal passive recreational areas.
- Provide recommendations on boundary fencing, rationalising infrastructure such as signage and bollards.

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- Provide recommendations on suitable locations for supporting infrastructure, i.e. power supply and water.

Objective 3 - Passive Recreation and Other Facilities

- Areas suitable for larger community gatherings such as BBQ and picnic areas.
- Provide recommendations on the existing playground.

Objective 4 - Movement, Access and Car Parking

- To identify the key issues and develop options relating to vehicle movement, access and parking to and from the reserve.
- To develop a car park precinct(s) design for Parkfield Reserve that considers both existing and future development options and future demand.
- To provide for an integrated pedestrian and shared bicycle path network.

Objective 5 - Environment, Landscape Design and Sustainability

- To protect and enhance any existing natural values within the site.
- To identify and highlight existing mature trees and significant vegetation that should be retained where possible.
- To substantially increase the tree canopy cover across the park.

Objective 6 - Flooding and Drainage

- Strongly consider the oval and its role in flood retardation and where practical, incorporate and take advantage of natural / drainage features.

1.3 Study Process

The table below outlines the steps involved in the development of the Parkfield Reserve Masterplan.

<i>Sep. – Dec. 2017</i>	<p><u>Research and Analysis</u></p> <p>Site investigation and analysis. Background / demographic and leisure trends, research and analysis. Michael Smith (MSA) and Martin Butcher attended a night time inspection of both reserves.</p>
<i>Dec.2017 – Mar. 2018</i>	<p><u>Consultation with Key Stakeholders</u></p> <p>Meetings with Greater Dandenong Council officers, the Ward Councillors, the Project Control Group established for the Master Plan and other key stakeholders. Meeting with the Parkfield Reserve Sports Clubs including Noble Park Tennis Club, Parkfield Cricket Club and Noble Park United Soccer Club. Notification to the sports clubs regarding the community consultation process in February 2018.</p>
<i>Dec.2017 – Mar. 2018</i>	<p><u>Community Consultation (Stage 1 and Stage 2)</u></p> <p>“Our Say” online engagement platform - Stage 1 (Future of Parks - Generic) “Our Say” online engagement platform - Stage 2 (Parkfield Reserve) Drop-in session held on Sat. 17 Feb.18;1pm-4pm</p>

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<i>Apr. 2018</i>	<p><u>Assessment of Merit</u></p> <p>An Assessment of Merit was developed to provide direction on the development of the preliminary concept layouts, particularly regarding infrastructure, the future of the cycling track, cricket and soccer uses in response to the existing and future demands of these sporting activities, improvements to sports room facilities and the location of the play space.</p>
<i>May 2018</i>	<p><u>Preliminary Concept Layout Plan</u></p> <p>Preparation of preliminary concept layouts, exploring sport allocation, community uses, infrastructure and asset improvements to buildings and sporting grounds, desirable uses and their functional arrangements on the site.</p>
<i>Jun. 2018</i>	<p><u>Draft Masterplan</u></p> <p>The Draft Masterplan was prepared following review and comment on the Preliminary Concept Layout Plan</p>
<i>Jul. – Aug. 2018</i>	<p><u>Stage 3 - Public Exhibition of Draft Masterplan</u></p> <p>The Draft Masterplan was exhibited for the period 11 July – 17 August, seeking comment from reserve user clubs and groups, the local community, agencies and authorities and other key stakeholders.</p>

<i>Sep. – Nov. 2018</i>	<p><u>Refinement of the Draft Masterplan</u></p> <p>Refinement of the Draft Master Plan into a staged Final Master Plan based upon feedback received during and after the exhibition of the draft master plan.</p>
<i>Dec. 2018</i>	<p><u>Final Masterplan</u></p> <p>Final Master Plan and report completed.</p>

2 Site Context

Parkfield Reserve is located between Dunblane Road to the west and Ellendale Road to the east side. The reserve lies similar distances of 400 metres to Heatherton Road to the south and to the Princess Highway to the north.

The surrounding land use is residential with a mix of house ages from post-World War 2 to modern contemporary style, including a significant number of recent unit and townhouse developments.

Parkfield Reserve is identified by the City of Greater Dandenong's Open Space Strategy (2009) as a District Park, in which providing multi-use sports and community facilities that will meet the long term requirements of the broader community. Parkfield Reserve also serves as a Sports Reserve catering for competition level tennis, soccer and cricket.

Parkfield Reserve is approximately 4.1 hectares in area and the reserve is predominately a sport focussed park. The sports oval is used in summer for cricket and in winter for soccer. The six en-tout-cas tennis courts are located to the Ellendale Road frontage.



Legend

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| ① Noble Park Tennis Club | ⑤ Local playground | ⑨ Ellendale Road Kindergarten |
| ② Parkfield Reserve Pavilion | ⑥ Cricket practice nets | ⑩ Shade shelter |
| ③ Cricket oval (1) and Soccer field (1) | ⑦ Scout Hall | ⑪ Hit up wall |
| ④ Cycle track (Maurice Kirby velodrome) | ⑧ New public amenity block location | ↗ Carpark entry |

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A play space and associated rebound wall are located to the south east corner of the reserve is well used by the community. To the north east corner, the Ellendale Road Kindergarten exists and is managed by the City of Greater Dandenong.

The Lord Casey Rover Crew Scout Hall is located at the south west corner of the reserve.

A new seven cubicle toilet facility is located to the north west corner of the reserve beside the access road that services the car park and Parkfield pavilion. The asphalt cycling track is used by locals for circuit walking and occasional informal riding of bicycles.

Council established a comprehensive community and stakeholder consultation and engagement process with major planning and organisational input from Council's communications team, contributing advanced programs and processes to engage with the multi-cultural community.



Cycling track and existing shelter



Existing Tennis Courts



Existing Tennis Clubhouse



Existing Parkfield Pavilion



Existing Playspace

3 History of Parkfield Reserve

In 1947 an Improvement Committee was formed at a roadside meeting that comprised of residents from the some twenty homes on Dunblane Road. A camaraderie was formed following the clearing of wattles and filling in potholes which led the group to discuss further matters such as asphaltting the road and the then Dandenong Council purchasing nine acres for a reserve between Dunblane and Ellendale Roads.

When Council at the time initially considered the £1,500 too expensive for the land, the locals formed a deputation and successfully changed the councils mind. A petition emphasised that 'children for whom it is intended especially to cater would not be forced to cross main highways to reach the ground' further to this, the residents were prepared to add £100 to the Council's £100 enabling the Council to obtain a '£2 for £1' grant from the Victorian Government for the development of 'Dunblane Park'.¹

In 1949 the Noble Park North and Harrisfield Recreation Reserve Committee was formed and organised a series of working bees to clear, grub, lay out a basketball court and set up swings and slides. A small hall was set up on the reserve amongst flowering gums and elms which were relics of Colonel Hutton's garden. It was officially opened with a bazaar and a speech from Councillor Ericksen in

¹ Hibbins, G.M, *A History of the City of Springvale*, (Lothian Publishing Pty Ltd, Port Melbourne 3207, 1936) 190

May 1952. In recognition of the committee's efforts the park was officially named Parkfield Reserve.

The preschool association was established six months later and was able to raise £170 at a barbeque fete under the pines of the old Harris' property located near the Harrisfield Store. Shortly after, the Harrisfield and District Progress Association were formed and in 1953 urged the Education Department to build a school in the area.²

Maurice Kirby was a sports broadcaster during the 60s on 3XY (now Macquarie Sports Radio) and later Channel Nine for a 35 year period. He was a well-respected local identity, owning a bicycle and electrical shop in Noble Park and creating the Pedal Club of Victoria. Maurice was involved in a lot of work for sporting services and charities and served on many committees. The asphalt velodrome was constructed between 1954 and 1955 within Parkfield Reserve and was named the Maurice (Maurie or 'Mocka') Kirby Velodrome in his honour. Progressively, soccer, tennis and cricket clubs evolved (junior and senior teams) and enjoy the use of the reserve.³

² Hibbins, G.M, *A History of the City of Springvale*, (Lothian Publishing Pty Ltd, Port Melbourne 3207, 1936) 191

³ <http://greaterdandenongcycle.wordpress.com/2018/08/26/who-was-maurice-kirby/> (2018)

4 Reserve Analysis

4.1 Sports Spaces and Facilities

Parkfield Reserve is quite contained being 4.1 hectares in area and has district status. There are three major sport facilities, being the tennis club's six en-tout-cas courts and the single sports oval which hosts cricket and a single senior soccer field. The perimeter of the sports oval is enclosed by the asphalt surfaced cycling track.

The existing oval has the dimensions of approximately 117 metres in diameter east-west and approximately 141 metres in diameter north-south. The cycle track is constraining the size of the cricket playing area for open-age community cricket, resulting in the playing area and the required runoff zone for open-age community cricket being too small in area and not complying with Cricket Australia guidelines and the requirements under their insurance. There are safety and conflict issues between cricket balls potentially being hit on to the cycling track, while cyclists use the facility.

The cycling track is constraining the size of the oval to cater for senior and junior soccer. A single senior soccer pitch can just be accommodated within the existing oval area however an additional senior pitch cannot fit within the bounds of the playing area. Football Federation Victoria (FFA) requires a senior soccer pitch to have a minimum size of 108m x 72m, which includes a four metre runoff on all sides. There also continues to be safety and conflict

issues with soccer balls potentially being kicked on to the cycle track.

The oval has a cross fall of approximately 2.5 meters northeast – southwest. The surface is a mix of grasses comprising of Kikuyu in summer with Rye and Winter Grass in the cooler months. The asphalt cycling track has a gentle slope toward the playing field and is used by locals for exercise / walking and recreational cycling.

To the immediate east of the cricket and soccer pavilion, there are three cricket practice wickets partly enclosed by chain wire mesh cages. A well-used concrete path links Ellendale Road to the Dunblane Road car park. The existing cricket practice nets are a major safety impediment to the function and safe use of the existing east-west connecting path, as the bowlers' run-up and batters hitting zone cross the existing pathway. The path is a major link across the park and also point of access to the sports pavilion.

The rebound wall located south of the tennis courts is well used by locals for soccer, cricket and tennis practice. There are opportunities to enhance the tennis courts and tennis clubrooms as well as the cricket ground.

Implications for the Masterplan:

- *Relocation of the existing cricket practice nets to the south-east flank of the cricket ground will resolve the problem and provide an ideal location for a new play space set amongst the shade of two large English Oak trees.*

- *Another location considered for the relocation of the cricket nets was behind the existing cricket pavilion, however an east – west orientation is not desirable.*
- *Consideration of the safety, risk and compliance issues. The competing needs of cricket, soccer and the cycle track and their use of the oval space needs to be strongly considered in relation to existing and proposed sports field infrastructure.*
- *The Masterplan needs to consider the increase in car parking demand if any additional sporting fields are proposed.*

4.2 Landscape Character

There are several very significant large trees within the reserve, these being two *Quercus robur* (English Oak) located east of the cricket practice wickets and a large *Eucalyptus yarraensis* (Hybrid Swamp / River Red Gum), which is a remnant indigenous tree. Within the reserve are a mix of gum trees, poplars, ashes and oaks. The reserve is of flat terrain however there is a steep embankment to the south west corner.

Implications for the Masterplan:

- *The significant remnant Yarra Gum (*Eucalyptus yarraensis*) south west of the existing oval needs to be protected if any earthworks are proposed to take place.*
- *The two English Oak trees provides opportunities for shade, which can be desirable when locating playground and other park amenities*

- *Substantially increase the tree canopy cover across the park by planting suitable evergreen and deciduous trees*

4.3 Existing Buildings

There are five main buildings and one minor building that currently exist on Parkfield Reserve. They are:

- Parkfield Reserve Pavilion
- Tennis Club Pavilion
- Toilet Block
- Scout Hall
- Kindergarten
- Grounds Maintenance Shed

4.3.1. Parkfield Reserve Pavilion

The cream brick Parkfield Pavilion used for the soccer and cricket clubs is located to the north end of the sports oval. The layout and internal functions of the pavilion do not meet the required standards and guidelines particularly in relation to female friendly facilities. The club rooms do not comply with Cricket Australia guidelines and the Football Federation guidelines. The club rooms are very small and outdated. The kitchen and areas for referees and the community to use are causing conflict as their function is not meeting the requirements of the guidelines.

4.3.2. Tennis Club Pavilion

The Tennis Clubrooms have a very poor functionality. The existing tennis pavilion is at the end of its service life and requires significant

upgrade to meet current female, junior and DDA building requirements. There is also a minimum provision of spectator's seats and shade available within the tennis courts area.

4.3.3. Toilet Block

At the vehicle access to the cricket and soccer pavilion from Dunblane Road, there is a recently constructed public toilet amenity block.

4.3.4. Scout Hall

The Scout Hall is set below the level of the cricket ground and cycling track to the south-west corner of the reserve. Discussions between Council Officers and the Lord Casey Rover Crew determined that the rover crew has another venue to accommodate their meetings and activities. Scouts Victoria identified that the Scout Hall is surplus to their needs and is not required. They support handing the Scout Hall back to Council.

4.3.5. Kindergarten

The Ellendale Road Kindergarten is to the north-east corner of the reserve. It is a brick building with external breakout spaces to cater for toddler's play.

Implications for the Masterplan:

- *Relocation and amalgamation of the cricket and soccer pavilion with the tennis club would serve a number of positive benefits in consolidation of building infrastructure, maintenance costs and providing a built-for-purpose facility*

that meets present day standards and provides an elevated (second level) viewing area and social rooms.

- *The toilet block needs to be integrated with the vehicle movement and parking requirements.*
- *Removal of the Scout Hall will provide additional parkland space.*
- *The kindergarten has the opportunity to have a closer association with a new playground.*

4.4 Play space

The existing play space to the south of the tennis courts and close to the south east corner of the reserve has no provision of shade. There are safety concerns in relation to the current location of the play space and its close proximity to Ellendale Road. It does not meet Council standards of being more than 20 metres distance from roadways.

Implications for the Masterplan:

- *Relocation of the existing cricket practice nets to the south-east flank of the cricket ground will provide an ideal location for a new play space set close to the shade of two large English Oak trees.*
- *The play space experience and amenity may be enhanced through provision of sensory play elements and additional seating.*

4.5 Movement and Access

4.5.1. Vehicle Circulation and Parking

There is a gravel car park area accessed from Dunblane Road and extends from the public toilet facility to the Parkfield Pavilion. It caters for approximately 20 cars parked randomly as there is no formal line marked car park within this area. There is a recently constructed approximate 35 car capacity car park on the Ellendale Road frontage. There is a narrow access lane along the western section of the park to the Scout Hall. The Scout hall has nine car spaces.

4.5.2. Pedestrian Cycle Movement

There are limited path networks through and within the park. There is no circuit walking path and the majority of the park is grass. The cycle track provides a place for informal walking and cycling for recreational purposes. The cycle track is sloped, rather than flat, which has implications for people of all abilities to comfortably use the track for recreational purposes. Opportunities exist to enhance the walking experience by the provision of fitness equipment around a circuit path.

Implications for the Masterplan:

- *As the gravel car park allows random and inefficient parking, a formalized, well-drained asphalt car park that incorporated WSUD opportunities would be a beneficial outcome.*
- *The narrow access lane may not be required if the Scout Hall is no longer needed. This opens up the park for improved recreational needs.*

- *The introduction of informal passive recreational facilities such as fitness equipment is an important consideration.*
- *The provision of a generous shared walking and cycling path that caters for children and adults of all abilities is a major consideration in the development of the draft master plan. Improving access within and around the park will support greater participation in informal recreation and community participation.*
- *The reserve is used as a thoroughfare; it is a good shortcut to the railway station. Maintaining access through the reserve is an important consideration.*

4.6 Drainage Infrastructure

The cycling track and the existing cricket ground serves as a retarding basin and there are several identified drainage issues within the reserve that need to be addressed as part of the Masterplan's process. The drainage issues include flooding of the residential properties along the southern boundary of the reserve due to the likelihood of organic debris blocking the pipe and overland flow path.

Implications for the Masterplan:

- *The Masterplan will need to investigate and address strategies to resolve the flooding issue to residential properties along the southern boundary of the reserve (ie. regular clearance of leaf litter and soil debris needs to be implemented).*

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- *Any impact of earthworks done on site must be managed to address the drainage issue above whilst continuing to serve the current and the future retarding basin function.*

4.7 Existing Park Infrastructure

4.7.1. Park Lighting

Inspection of the reserve at night revealed only ambient street lighting spill to the edges of the park with no lighting at all to the internal areas. The existing training lights for the oval and soccer field are inadequate in their capacity.

4.7.2. Informal Recreation Facilities

There are limited opportunities for informal recreation. Aside from the hit up wall and the playground, the park has a lack of fitness equipment, areas to gather and meet friends with picnic and barbeque facilities and seats.

Implications for the Masterplan:

- *Any new proposed sports fields will require new sports lighting to the current required standard of lux levels.*
- *The community suggested that fitness equipment would be of benefit if located along existing and new pathways.*
- *There is a need to address the provision of informal recreation opportunities within the reserve.*

5 Policy Context

5.1 Open Space in Noble Park

Noble Park has 34 hectares of public open space, comprising 29 parks. Noble Park contains a mix of passive parks, sports reserves and civic spaces. Cyclists and walkers can take advantage of the EastLink Regional Bike Trail, which connects to Port Phillip Bay at Carrum / Bonbeach.

Ross Reserve is the largest district park in Noble Park, with extensive sporting facilities and passive recreation areas including the new youth skate park, two playgrounds, three sporting ovals and a sealed athletic running track and the Noble Park Aquatic Centre (NPAC). Parkfield Reserve is located approximately 1km north of both Ross Reserve and the Noble Park Activity Centre.

Parkfield Reserve is a mid-size (4.1 ha) active and passive district park, providing a sports oval, the tennis club and club house, playground, cricket nets, pavilion and passive open space. An old and disused cycling track is located around the perimeter of the oval.

The majority of the public parks and reserves in Noble Park are smaller neighbourhood and local parks within the large central residential area. These parks provide local playgrounds, grass

areas to play, shaded areas to sit under trees and in some parks picnic and BBQ facilities.

5.2 Reference Documents

There are a number of important strategies, plans and policies as well as reference documents that are pertinent to Parkfield Reserve and have informed in the development of the Masterplan.

The key external and internal documents and relevant details on how they have helped inform the development of the masterplan are outlined below.

5.2.1. VPA Metropolitan Open Space Network

The Victorian Planning Authority has identified a series of fundamental network planning principles to guide assessment of open space provision across the metropolitan region, and to assist in identifying and prioritising potential interventions. The principles / pillars rest on the foundation objective of optimising access to, and use of, all practically available publicly owned land (inclusive of Restricted Public Land) for net community benefit.

The principles are based on the contention that no one element or factor in isolation can deliver a high quality open space network. Instead there are a range of universal “ingredients” that can be mixed and matched and used in different proportions to underpin spatial planning solutions that are responsive to local or regional circumstances.

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The principles have been crafted to:

- Provide direction and strategic planning for the metropolitan open space network as a whole.
- Provide a framework for local governments as they review and revise their existing open space strategies.

The overarching goal of the network planning principles is to achieve an integrated and accessible open space network that facilitates high quality and affordable communities, maximises the community benefit of all available public land and underpins and strengthens Melbourne's liveability, resilience and biodiversity.

The six principles (or the '6 Pillars') are as follows.

Equitable Distribution

Deliver a network of open spaces that are located to ensure community access within a safe 5-minute walk (approximately 400m) of 95% of residents.

Access and Connectivity

Create a network of open spaces that are accessible to all, free of charge and connected by safe pedestrian and cycle links, public transport options and where practicable co-located with community infrastructure.

Quality

Design, build and maintain open spaces to optimise their capacity and resilience, and to enhance community appreciation.

Quantity

Provide an appropriate amount of open space to cater for a range of community uses.

Diversity

Deliver a network of open space types (pocket, neighbourhood, community, district, municipal and regional parks) that provide for a range of uses, functions and differing levels of amenity.

Sustainability

Create a network that is planned and managed to support biodiversity and city amenity which is also fit for purpose, fiscally responsible and resource efficient.

Below is a summary of the key Council documents that have guided the development of the Parkfield Reserve Masterplan.

5.2.2. Open Space Strategy 2009

The objectives of the Open Space Strategy are to achieve a quality public park and reserve network, to meet the recreational and social needs of the existing and future Greater Dandenong community, over the next 20 years.

The goals of the strategy are to provide:

- A range of public parks and reserves within walking distance from most residents that are attractive, interesting, safe, readily accessible and comfortable places to be.

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- A comprehensive open space network that delivers environmental, social, health and well-being, and economic benefits to the community.

The Open Space Strategy outlines broad principles for the open space network, goals for open space provision, park development standards, strengths and issues regarding open space within the municipality.

Council's Open Space Strategy has identified Parkfield Reserve as a key priority area for detailed Masterplan development.

5.2.3. Playground Strategy 2010

The Playground Strategy and Action Plan 2010 provide a balanced approach with an emphasis on play value as well as maintenance and asset upgrading. It provides clear design guidelines to improve design standards, around play value, accessibility, integration within the park, artwork integration, community safety and environmental considerations.

The Playground Development Action Plan outlines the priority number for each playground's upgrade. Parkfield Reserve playground is identified as priority number 28 in the Action Plan.

5.2.4. Sport and Recreation Participation Study 2015

Sport and active recreation is recognised by the City of Greater Dandenong for its vital role in improving health and wellbeing, encouraging social interaction and creating healthier and more inclusive communities.

The 2015 Sport and Active Recreation Participation Study has been developed to provide a comprehensive understanding of participation trends in Greater Dandenong, to help Council and key stakeholders develop strategies to minimise barriers and increase participation in sport and recreation activities.

The consultation outcomes report provides a comprehensive analysis of the top ten most popular sport and active recreation activities in Greater Dandenong. Children's top ten organised sport and active recreation activities (outside of school hours) are also outlined.

- This study builds on the previous 2011 participation study by re-examining sport and recreation preferences and barriers to participation, in addition to seeking information about physical activity levels of residents, walking frequency and children's participation trends.
- The Study involved a total of 669 respondents and revealed the following key findings about sport and recreation participation in Greater Dandenong:
 - ✓ Half of Greater Dandenong residents do not engage in the recommended levels of physical activity (being 30 minutes of moderate intensity activity on most, preferably all days of the week);
 - ✓ Over half (54%) of residents spend less than 2.5 hours participating in physical activity per week.
 - ✓ Males have higher levels of physical activity than females, whilst lower levels of physical activity were noted amongst people with a disability and people aged 25 to 34 and 45 to 54 years.

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The key implications for Parkfield Reserve include:

- *Walking is the most popular active recreation activity (61% participation rate) in Greater Dandenong. This has implications on the provision of suitable pedestrian paths within the Parkfield Reserve.*

5.2.5. Sports Facilities Plan – Implementation Plan 2018

The Sports Facilities Plan - Implementation Plan 2018 guides the planning and strategic delivery of new and improved sporting facilities throughout the City of Greater Dandenong.

- Sport provides significant benefits for individuals and communities both directly and indirectly. The benefits include:
 - ✓ Individual health and well-being
 - ✓ Satisfaction and engagement in community life
 - ✓ Community pride in volunteering
 - ✓ Efficient use of economic and government resources with reduced poor health, absenteeism and anti-social behaviour
- The City of Greater Dandenong currently provides 25 sporting reserves throughout the municipality, and supports the community use of five (5) school sites.
- The extensive range of facilities within Greater Dandenong requires ongoing improvements to address ageing infrastructure, compliance with modern standards and to enable multi-purpose and maximum use

- New facilities are also required to cater for the growing population and respond to increasing participation levels and community demand.

Since the development of the previous Sports Facilities Plan, Council has invested over \$6 million towards the implementation of priority capital projects to improve the provision of outdoor sporting facilities in Greater Dandenong.

Six out of the nine selected sports for inclusion in the Sports Facilities Plan have shown strong growth:

- ✓ Rugby league - New club
- ✓ Baseball – 70.1%
- ✓ Netball - 27.3%
- ✓ **Cricket - 23.7%**
- ✓ Softball – 18.1%
- ✓ **Soccer - 4.2%** (Soccer participation numbers are based on FFV player registrations and do not include social / casual participation)

Cricket

The following information was provided in relation to cricket which is played at Parkfield Reserve.

- Ranked 15th most popular activity in CGD; 5% participation rate (CGD Participation Study).
- Strong growth in local participation, including Sunday League clubs and casual users, especially from CALD communities.

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- Male participation continues to dominate, but female participation is increasing due to the presence of a local women's club playing at a premier level.

Soccer

The following information was provided in relation to soccer which is played at Parkfield Reserve.

- Soccer is the most popular outdoor sport in Greater Dandenong, with a participation rate of 12%.
- Introduction of Premier League has contributed to an increase in the number of teams from 80 in 2013 to 102 in 2014.
- CGD is ranked 1st for the number of clubs and 29th for the number of players compared to other Victorian municipalities.
- High and increasing migrant population has contributed to the popularity of soccer over more traditional Australian sports.
- Overall increase in juniors and females, but female participation is still below the State average. Most clubs have no female players.
- Emergence of modified versions of the sport such as street soccer.
- Potential future need for additional pitches based on industry benchmarks (ranging from 3,500-5,000 people per pitch) current participation levels and projected population growth.

Implementation Priorities

Implementation Priorities identified in the strategy are:

- Removal of cycling track due to the constraints on the size of the oval and compliance issues, area reinstatement - Medium
- Lighting upgrade (training standard) - High
- Upgrade of cricket practice wickets - Medium
- Pavilion upgrade - Medium
- Ground upgrade - Medium

These priorities will be tested in the master plan process.

5.2.6. Tennis Plan 2015

The Tennis Plan 2015 provides a snapshot of the existing situation with respect to tennis in the City of Greater Dandenong (CGD) and provides future direction for how Council will develop and manage facilities in the future to ensure facilities are sustainable in the long term.

Directions Key directions of this plan include:

- Continue to improve facilities, especially courts, lighting and fencing.
- Significantly promote the public access facilities in the area with web, brochures and park signage, and through cultural and community groups and schools.
- Promote club tennis facilities frequently and highlight facility and service offerings.
- Through consultation and engagement with clubs and Tennis Victoria's 'Opening up Tennis' program or similar,

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investigate the concept of online booking, payment and code access to courts.

- Continue to engage with local schools and offer opportunities for them to play regular tennis.
- Assist clubs to become as self-sufficient as possible and to plan for the future funding of asset replacement.
- Promote the bringing together of ideas from all tennis clubs in the City and Tennis Victoria in order to promote the sport within the region.
- Encourage additional use of clubrooms and courts through a review of occupancy agreements, in conjunction with marketing efforts.
- Enhance asset management – upgrading of lights, fences, court surfaces and clubrooms, including lights and fences on public access facilities.

The Tennis Plan provides a detailed analysis of the Noble Park Tennis Club, including membership numbers, projected demand for tennis, infrastructure improvements and investigation of other uses for courts.

In relation to Parkfield Reserve, the Tennis strategy reports that the total membership numbers have remained the same at the Noble Park Tennis Club which is located within the reserve. It was reported that there are 10 less junior members in 2015 compared to 2008 and 10 more senior members in 2015 compared to 2008. The total number of members is 140.

Identified in the report is that the Noble Park Tennis Club's priority capital works and facility maintenance are:

- Court surface – issues with synthetic clay fibre (en-tout-cass) – High
- Club house layout – internal spaces are inefficient – Medium
- Fencing - Fencing is poor and requires attention in places – Medium

The Tennis Plan references the *Multi-Purpose Use of Community Facilities Policy* in the future planning of infrastructure.

5.2.7. Football Soccer Development Plan 2015

The overall purpose of the Football Soccer Development Plan is to provide a strategic direction for the future provision of soccer in the CGD.

More specific objectives for the CGD include:

- Provide strategic direction on the likely future facility and infrastructure requirements to service soccer needs within the municipality.
- Provide direction on possible locations for the provision of synthetic surfaces to service the needs of the soccer community.
- Identify issues, needs and roles in supporting the development and operation of sustainable clubs in the municipality.
- Provide opportunities for bringing together more community cohesion through involvement people in this popular and growing sport.

5.2.8. Activate Sport and Active Recreation Strategy 2014-19

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Vision: Council's vision is to build active, healthy and successful communities in the City of Greater Dandenong through increased participation in sport and recreation and the provision of well planned, accessible, affordable and sustainable facilities. This can be summarised as: more people – more active – more often.

Key themes

In order to achieve this vision, a number of strategic actions have been developed that have been grouped under the following key themes that are relevant for the Parkfield Reserve Master Plan:

- Creating active and engaged communities.
- Providing improved access to indoor recreation facilities.
- Maintaining access to outdoor sporting facilities.
- Providing informal recreation opportunities.
- Supporting structured sporting opportunities and club viability.

Included in the Action Plan are the following relevant actions:
Objective 3 – Maintaining the distribution and access to quality outdoor structured sporting facilities.

- 3.34 - Encourage clubs to affiliate with Tennis Victoria. Support CGD clubs to be more active in implementing Tennis Victoria programs and services.
- 3.36 - Work with tennis clubs to encourage more open days, casual / social play opportunities to increase tennis participation and membership.

5.2.9. Cycling Strategy 2017-24

When considering cycling infrastructure, Council seeks to ensure that provision is made for the various types of cyclists using the municipality and improve the cycling experience for these users. Leisure and recreational cyclists are the largest area of growth in terms of cycling within the municipality and infrastructure for these cyclists continues to be delivered. An example of new cycling infrastructure within the municipality is the new 17 kilometre Caulfield to Dandenong shared bike path, which provides connections to many open spaces and other regional cycling trails within the municipality.

5.2.10. Multi-Purpose Use of Community Facilities Policy

This policy outlines Council's commitment to the development and/or operation of community facilities on a multipurpose use basis. In relation to proposed community facilities at Parkfield Reserve, this policy will provide clear guidance for Council in making decisions about:

- Service planning for new facilities;
- Investment in community infrastructure;
- Allocation; and/or
- Use and consolidation of community facilities.

5.2.11. Sports Ground Floodlighting Policy 2015

The following informs the level of sports ground floodlighting to be considered in the development of sports lighting for Parkfield Reserve.

- *Council Policy 7.1 Floodlighting* - Council will provide and maintain sports lighting infrastructure at sports reserves to the appropriate standard and in line with the priorities for the provision of floodlighting as practically possible within

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financial budgeting and within the constraints of the existing infrastructure.

- *Council Policy 7.5 Floodlighting Suitable for Competition* – The cost of providing sports ground floodlighting suitable for competition purposes is much higher than the cost of training lights. Preference is given to the provision of training lights in order to benefit the largest possible number of local sports participants. Council recognises that it is necessary to have some selected facilities that are suitable for use at higher levels of competition. These will be informed by the priorities and recommendations contained within the Sports Facilities Plan.

5.2.12. Sports Pavilion Management Policy 2017

The aim of the Sports Pavilion Management Policy is to:

- Maximise shared use of pavilions to ensure minimum unnecessary wear and damage to pavilions and to ensure the pavilions are presented in the best possible condition.
- Provide a framework for the allocation of sports pavilions to ensure that maximum utilisation of Council infrastructure can be facilitated. This will ensure that sports clubs will be allocated adequately depending on the composition and needs of the club participants (senior, junior and female teams).
- Clarify the responsibility of maintenance and improvement works to ensure facilities are maintained to Council's standards.

The key implications for Parkfield Reserve include:

- *The Sports Pavilion Management Policy will have implications for Parkfield Reserve in that both, the cricket / soccer pavilion and the tennis pavilion don't meet current day use standards and the numbers of teams training and competing.*
- *Consolidation of the clubs needs into one pavilion with shared facilities meets Council's objectives. Consolidation of facilities will reduce running and maintenance costs.*

5.2.13. Dog Off-Leash Strategy 2010

Dog Off-leash areas were first introduced in the City of Greater Dandenong in 2001. Since their inception, they have proved extremely popular with dog owners as they provide a great outlet for dogs to get regular exercise and increase their socialisation skills.

The key outcomes of this Strategy include:

- A Dog Off-Leash Network Development Plan which will facilitate the expansion of the dog off leash network from seven parks to thirteen parks;
- The closure of the Police Paddocks dog off-leash area;
- The introduction of Dog Off-Leash Development Standards to guide the provision of ancillary infrastructure (such as bins, signage and fencing) in Off-Leash areas;
- A Dog Off-Leash Promotion and Education Program to promote responsible dog ownership and advise residents and park users of changes to the Off-Leash network;
- Incorporating the monitoring of Dog Off-Leash areas and the periodic review of the Dog off-Leash Strategy into Council's Domestic Animal Management Plan planning process; and

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- Provision for adequate ongoing capital funding for the establishment and ongoing operation of Dog Off-Leash areas.

The key implications for Parkfield Reserve include:

- *Council Off-Leash rules currently stipulate that dogs must not be allowed off-leash within 20 metres of a designated cycling path / track, unless separated from the track by a fence at least 1.2 metres in height.*
- *Dog's Off-Leash must not be within 20 metres of a playground at any time.*
- *Parkfield Reserve is classified as a sports reserve and is predominantly a sports focused park. Given the current demand of sporting activities within the reserve and Dog-Off-Leash regulations, there is limited space available for a Dog Off-Leash area within the reserve.*
- *Parkfield Reserve has not been identified as one of the 6 additional parks for a proposed Dog Off-Leash area in the Dog Off-Leash Strategy.*
- *The closest area with a proposed Dog Off-Leash area is Leon Trembath Reserve which is approximately 1 kilometre north-west of Parkfield Reserve.*

5.2.14. Sustainability Strategy 2016-2030

Vision – Making The City of Greater Dandenong is one of the most sustainable cities in Australia by 2030. This Strategy will help integrate sustainability into Council's operations, its programs and its services, at both a corporate and community level.

The table below outlines the ten specific themes and their goals which will be implemented through various Council strategies, plans

and policies relating to each of the ten themes. Reporting of Council's and the community's progress towards the objectives and targets identified in this strategy will form the basis of future Annual Sustainability Reports.

<u>Themes:</u>	<u>Our Goals:</u>
Biodiversity and Open Space	A Greener City
Water and Stormwater	A Water Sensitive City
Waste and Resources	A Waste Wise City
Transport and Movement	A Well Connected City
Climate and Energy	A Low Carbon City
Buildings and Places	A City Planned for the Future
Environmental Pollution	A Clean and Healthy City
Local and Sustainable Food	A City Connected by Food
Local Community and Culture	A Liveable City
Local Business and Economy	A City of Opportunity

The key implications for Parkfield Reserve include:

- *The Sustainability Strategy will continue to achieve its vision through the implementation of Council strategies relevant to the Parkfield Reserve Masterplan. For example, an objective of the masterplan is to substantially increase the tree canopy cover across the park, enhancing ecological value.*
- *The already established use of the park for walking, exercising and informal recreation reinforces the values of maintaining and enhancing the park for the benefit of the local community.*

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5.2.15. Council Plan 2017 – 2021 (Revised 2018)

The City of Greater Dandenong undertook an extensive consultation program for the Council Plan 2017-21 from July 2016 until June 2017. The program included a number of activities with the community, key stakeholders, Councillors and staff which have influenced the final priorities set for the next four years.

The key priorities which were highlighted through the consultation activities included:

- Streetscapes and public places
- Trees and our natural environment
- Roads, traffic and transport
- Arts and cultural heritage
- Attracting business
- Sustainability
- Physical activity
- Community participation
- Safety
- Parks and reserves
- Community hubs
- Youth unemployment and education
- Urban planning
- Marketing and promotion of businesses
- Jobs and innovation

5.2.16. Imagine 2030 Community Plan

In 2009 the outcomes of the consultation project were used to create the new Community Plan – Imagine 2030.

In 2017 a review of the plan was undertaken as part of the development of the new Council Plan. This review confirmed that the key themes expressed by the Greater Dandenong community in 2009 are still of high importance along with an additional priority focused on tourism and attracting visitors to the city.

The top shared community priorities identified in the 2030 Community Plan are:

- Livelihood – Employment, business opportunities and pathways to each.
- Travel and transport – Local travel choices and travel to outside Greater Dandenong.
- Feeling and being safe – Safety in streets and public places and improving perceptions of safety.
- Education and information – Pathways to jobs, information for personal and community well-being and for literacy.
- Friendly and helpful people.

The key implications for Parkfield Reserve include:

The strategy identified priorities among young people as “reaching one’s potential” and “outdoor activity and sports”. The following goals in the strategy support these priorities and are important factors to consider in the development of the Parkfield Reserve Masterplan:

- *Sport and recreation opportunities will be affordable, diverse and accessible to all, especially for young people, families and those less well off than others. There will be opportunities for people of all backgrounds and ages to take part.*

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- *Local sports and recreation clubs will be thriving centres of social activity and gathering across all cultures and generations.*

5.2.17. Municipal Early Years Plan 2010 - 2014

Victorian local government has a key legislated leadership role in working with local stakeholders to plan for their municipality. Its planning role in the early years is of particular importance, and is recognised by state and federal government. Local Municipal Early Years Plans (MEYs) are one of a range of plans that a council develops in partnership with its community to support enhancement of the well-being of its community.

The early childhood literature provides substantial evidence that the early years are crucial in setting the stage for later life. Young children develop through their relationships with others. Children's development is shaped by the balance between risk and protective factors.

Supporting families effectively requires a comprehensive, coordinated family-centred service system. Addressing disadvantage in the early years can end generations of disengagement for families and whole communities, and provide children with the opportunity of breaking the cycle of disadvantage

The key implications for Parkfield Reserve include:

- *Ellendale Kindergarten is located in the north eastern corner of Parkfield Reserve. The Parkfield Reserve Masterplan will enhance the relationship between the reserve and the kindergarten through infrastructure planning and facility*

provision that is child friendly and designed to meet the needs of all children.

- *An improved playspace closer to the kindergarten and close to large English Oak trees would create opportunities for play, learning and development of social skills in a family friendly environment.*

5.2.18. Youth Strategy 2016-2019

The Strategy has been developed within the context of the Council Plan and Community Well-being Plan, and aligns with the directions of these strategic documents. Its priority areas are:

- Leading collaborative service provision for young people
- Opportunities to work, learn and engage
- Support health and well-being of young people
- Recognising the strengths of young people as engaged citizens

Young people are those aged between 12-25 years who live, work, and study, socialise or are significantly attached to the municipality. This is in accord with the national and state definitions of young people.

The key implications for Parkfield Reserve include:

- *An objective in the Parkfield Reserve Masterplan is to promote youth friendly design catering for emerging children's and teenage activities, as well as the needs of diverse age groups.*

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- *This has been brought out in the continuation of the tennis, soccer and cricket clubs fielding junior teams as well as in need for an improved play space and the rebound wall.*

5.2.19. CGD Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS)

The Greater Dandenong Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS) is a concise statement of the Greater Dandenong Council's objectives and strategies in regard to land use and development.

The objectives and strategies are set out under four themes:

- Land Use
- Built Form
- Open Space and Natural Environment
- Infrastructure and Transportation

The four key themes will provide broad guidance for future development at Parkfield Reserve.

5.2.20. Noble Park Activity Centre Structure Plan 2010

Noble Park has been identified as a Major Activity Centre, a place of business growth and local employment opportunities, greater housing choices, safer and more appealing streets and open spaces, improved access to public transport and a more compact urban environment.

As part of the structure plan, the long term vision for Noble Park was identified by the community as "To create a welcoming, vibrant, safe village centre that responds to community aspirations for Noble Park".

This Structure Plan recommends that Noble Park be recognised as:

- A unique suburban activity centre.
- A centre with a village style layout and retail function.
- A centre well serviced by significant community facilities including Noble Park Aquatic Centre (NPAC), RSL, Ross Reserve Community Centre.

The Structure Plan further recommends that:

- Noble Park be acknowledged and actively promoted as a thriving village community with a focus on Noble Park being an ideal place to bring up a family or retire.
- Council builds on community facilities for young people and families.
- Council builds up services and organizations that support older people, including services that promote ongoing learning and reflect older persons needs like family history and historical services.
- Council continues to provide and upgrade suitable open spaces, public spaces and community meeting spaces including a Town Square within the Noble Park Activity Centre.
- Council continues to work to upgrade adjoining community facilities and open space including Ross Reserve and Mile Creek.
- Council continues to review and designate appropriate areas within and adjoining the Activity Centre for medium

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density housing, family housing and alternative forms of aged care accommodation.

- Council continues to actively plan and develop a retail mix for the centre to best meet the retail and employment needs of the community.

The key implications for Parkfield Reserve include:

- *The enhancement and provision of a diverse range of recreation experiences.*
- *Although Parkfield Reserve is outside of the study zone of the Structure Plan, the development of the masterplan should support ideas raised by the community in terms of:*
 - ✓ *Maintaining and enhancing open space.*
 - ✓ *Promoting places and activities for young people to engage them with community space.*
 - ✓ *Creating a safe and convenient pedestrian environment with links to the activity centre and.*
 - ✓ *Promoting sustainable building practices.*
 - ✓ *Recognising the significance of native plants in Noble Park, particularly gum trees.*

5.2.21. Community Well-being Plan 2010-2014

The Community Well-being Plan has been developed in parallel with the Council Plan 2013-17, to ensure the alignment of principles and actions to promote a healthy, active and safe community. The Community Well-being Plan acknowledges the importance of physical activity, leisure and recreational opportunities in improving health and well-being, encouraging social interaction and creating healthier and a more inclusive community.

The Community Well-being Plan 2017-21 draws on research and evidence of social and health outcomes, as well as consultation with children and young people, service agencies, organisations and Council staff. The four main priorities identified as part of the Community Well-being Plan. They are:

- Community, infrastructure, transport and environment,
- Learning and employment,
- Mental and physical health,
- Engagement, social cohesion and safety.

The key implications of the Community Well-being Plan for the Parkfield Reserve Masterplan are the emphasis on place, people and opportunity, in particular adhering to the following key objectives:

- *Create places for people to enjoy and actively participate in their local community, including open spaces and recreational opportunities.*
- *Increase engagement in and strengthen the benefits of education and employment for residents.*
- *Improve the health and well-being of all residents through collaborative planning and enhancing health promoting services and opportunities.*
- *Improve levels of social cohesion and actual and perceived levels of safety for all residents.*

5.2.22. Community Safety Plan 2015-2022

The vision identified in the Community Safety Plan is that “The City of Greater Dandenong is a diverse, safe and harmonious community where all people feel included and respected.”

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The Community Safety Plan for Greater Dandenong 2015-22 aims to improve community perceptions of safety and reduce the risk of crime and anti-social behaviour. The plan will work toward these aims by:

- Enabling all residents to enjoy and contribute to well-designed and accessible public spaces.
- Supporting respectful relationships and positive interactions between communities and individuals, so that all residents are safe in public and within their homes.
- Designing and maintaining public and private transport infrastructure for the safe movement of all residents.
- Addressing the causes and impacts of alcohol and other drugs through community education, regulation and designing harm minimising environments.
- Encouraging on-line safety while maximising the benefits of web based communications.

The Community Safety Plan addresses the following six priority areas:

- Supporting Diversity and Promoting Harmony,
- Preventing Family Violence,
- Creating Safer Public Places,
- Safety for Road Users, Pedestrians and Commuters,
- Addressing Alcohol and Other Drug Harms,
- Emerging Technology and Safety.

The key implications of the Community Safety Plan for the Parkfield Reserve Masterplan are the emphasis on creating safer public spaces, particularly the design, maintenance and activation to improve safety and perceptions of safety, safety for road users,

pedestrians and commuters and supporting diversity and promoting harmony.

6 The Demographics of the Noble Park Community and their Impact on Recreational Demand

6.1 The Demographics of the Noble Park Community

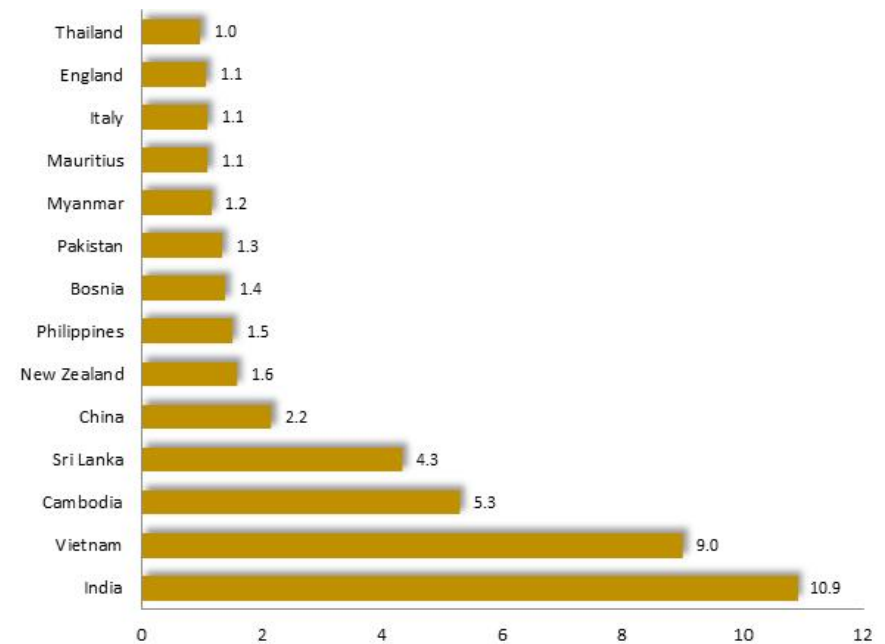
It is crucial to understand the City of Greater Dandenong is the most culturally diverse municipality in Victoria and the second most diverse in Australia. In the immediate Noble Park area, over 60% of people were born overseas.

The following demographic summary of Noble Park is taken from Council's website on 7th November 2018. The base information has been taken from the Australian Bureau of Statistics Census 2016.

In 2016, Noble Park had a population of 40,000 residents which is expected to grow by 10,186 people by 2028 which is adding a quarter of the suburbs current population. This additional population growth will put increasing pressure on Council's open space network.

The suburb is characterised by high levels of cultural diversity, relatively low incomes, elevated rates of early school leaving, substantial crime rates and a high density of flats. Rates of migrant settlement, however, are twice municipal levels.

Selected Birthplaces: Noble Park, 2016



The 2016 Census recorded that 65% of Noble Park residents were born overseas, similar to Greater Dandenong (64%) and more than the metropolitan percentage (40.5%). The 84 birthplaces of its residents include India, accounting for 10.9% of residents, Vietnam (9%) as well as Cambodia (5.3%), Sri Lanka (4.3%) and China (2.2%).

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A selection of birthplaces is illustrated in the accompanying diagram.

Languages other than English are spoken by about two-thirds of residents (69%) – nearly twice the metropolitan average of 38%. Reflecting this diversity of languages, 17% of Noble Park residents have limited fluency in the use of spoken English, similar to the municipal level of 18%, and nearly three times the metropolitan level of 6%. Patterns of religious faith are similar to those seen across the municipality, with 18% of residents adhering to Buddhism, 5% following Hinduism, and 11% Islam.

Contemporary educational outcomes are marked by a high rate of early school leaving, with 10.4% of young adults (20-24 years) having left school before completing year 11 – lower than the municipal average, but higher than the metropolitan level, of 8.3%.

Median individual gross incomes were \$484 - 72% of the metropolitan median and slightly higher than the municipal level.

Among the 12,000 homes in Noble Park, nearly one-fifth (19%) are flats – slightly higher than the corresponding proportion of 16% across metropolitan Melbourne. This high number of flats means that people rely on public open space for their outdoor recreation needs.

Fifty-seven per cent of homes in the suburb are owned or being purchased by their occupants which is the same as for metropolitan Melbourne.

	Noble Park	Greater Dandenong	Metropolitan Melbourne
% Born overseas	65.3	61.7	40.5
% Speak languages other than English at home	69.1	70.2	38.4
% Population with limited English fluency	16.9	17.8	6
% 20-24 year-olds who completed year 10 or less	10.4	13.0	8.3
Median weekly individual income	\$484	\$476	\$673
% Private dwellings that are flats	18.8	11.4	16.3

6.2 General Leisure Trends Impacting on Sport and Recreation Participation and Facilities

6.2.1. General Leisure Trends

The following section highlights the range of general sport and recreation trends that are likely to impact on the development and future sport and recreation provision for Greater Dandenong Council.

- **A gradual ageing of the population.** As life expectancy increases, birth rates stay low and the “baby boomers” of the 1950s and 1960s grow older. This is placing a new demand on providing specific older persons programs.
- **Flexibility in the times when people recreate.** As demands on people’s time increases and work practices change, people are seeking to take their sport and recreation at different times, over

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a broad spread of hours and at facilities that offer a lot of activities under the one roof.

- **Increased variety in sport and recreation options.** People's sport and recreation options are changing towards newer more varied activities offered over a greater range of timeframes compared to previous decades where limited variety in activities and scheduling occurred. This has supported the trend to more multi-use facilities to attract a broader range of users as well as multiple programs to meet different needs at the one centre.
- **Constraints to sport and recreation participation.** Lack of time, lack of facilities close by, family and work constraints, health problems and cost of service or use of facilities are the main constraints to many Victorians sport and recreation participation.
- **Changing employment structures, trading and work hours.** These trends often make participation in traditional sport and recreation activities difficult and therefore people are looking for facilities that are open longer hours and have a lot of activity options at the one site. This makes opportunities such as indoor pools and health and fitness centres and indoor sports courts attractive as their long opening hours and days open per year means usage can be made in a wide range of social, training, competition and educational settings.
- **Different people want different activities.** The different cultural, age, gender of the population sees the need for facilities to offer potential users a much more varied range of programs and services than previously offered. All year round

available indoor and outdoor sport and recreation facilities also provide the greatest diversity of activities throughout the different seasons impacted by Victoria's weather.

- **Provision of high standards and quality of facilities and services.** People are looking for high standard, high quality facilities and services to meet their sport and recreation needs. This has also seen the trend for indoor facilities becoming very popular as they allow activity in safe and secure spaces in all weather and environmental conditions.
- **Desire for activities to be affordable.** The development of multi-purpose aquatic, fitness and indoor sport centres has enabled the high operating cost activities, such as aquatics, to be cross-subsidised by more profitable activity areas such as health and fitness, food and beverage and entertainment areas. This has enabled many facilities to keep general entry fees low to encourage use whilst seeking users who want special services to contribute at a greater level to the cost of such activities. In general, there is a greater reliance on locally accessed and lower cost opportunities by those without the resources to travel and pay for more expensive activities.
- **Recognition of strong links between physical activity and health.** Preventative health care and active lifestyles are very important to many Victorians and aquatic and health and fitness and indoor and outdoor sport activities are becoming a large part of people's activity choices. There is increased recognition of the strong links between involvement in recreational activity and good health, and the development of appropriate activities and services, which support this.

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- **Expectations of equity and access.** Today's society expects people with special needs to be catered for in public facilities. This has seen improved design features to increase accessibility to and within such facilities. Added to this is the growing array of programs and activities offered to people of all different abilities, physical condition and skill levels.
- **Sustainable Development.** In addition to the trends above there are specific trends relating to leisure and sporting facility development such as sport facility planners and operators need to respond to community demand for more sustainable and eco-friendlier infrastructure.
- **Multi-use Facilities** are replacing single purpose buildings particularly in the area of pavilion and community centre development to maximise the use of Council resources and to provide more opportunities to the community within existing facility provision.

6.2.2. Impact on the Sports Participation and Facilities

All sports and recreation providers are operating in an environment of change. There are many challenges that will need to be dealt with including:

- **Consumer Expectations:** As a result of consumers being exposed to high quality programs, events and services through the media and other leisure industry providers they are expecting more and more from their sport and recreation programs. This includes quality of facilities, support amenity, player and spectator comfort, quality of service, coaching and expecting the service to be provided when they want it.

However this has meant that significantly less program space can be achieved per investment dollar.

- **Changing population demographics:** Australia's population is ageing. The percentage of population of 5 to 14 year olds will continue to decrease with the greatest growth in the 55+ age group. This will create a demand for programs and services in sport that go well beyond a focus on junior sport.
- **Competition for participants:** All Australia's sporting codes have recognised the need to recruit young players into their sport at an early age. Many of the sports face competition from large, well-funded junior programs and high profile sports as well as other forms of entertainment competing for the time and interest of young people. A key challenge for many sports and recreational activities is the retention of those recruits beyond their mid-teen years.
- **Facilities:** Maintaining and developing new facilities is a major challenge for the sport and recreation industry. The future may require sporting and recreation providers to partner in multi-sport/recreational developments either in local government or commercially built complexes.
- **Well-trained personnel:** volunteers predominantly service most sports. Recruiting and retaining paid staff and volunteers are critical to operations. In an increasingly regulated world, volunteers need and demand access to training and education in a flexible delivery model that responds to their busy lives. Coaches, officials and administrators must be supported to ensure the delivery of quality programs and competitions.

Supporting and recognising volunteers is a task not to be underestimated.

The 2009 Crawford Report on the Future of Sport in Australia identified a range of challenges for all sports including stating that:

- The infrastructure of community sport, made up of both people and facilities, is under threat. The supply of volunteers, often the lifeblood of any club or association is under pressure. There is no coherent approach to building community sports and the physical facilities they need.
- If participation levels are to grow or even be sustained, policy makers and sports administrators must find new ways to encourage and support volunteerism. Governments at all levels will have to increase their investment in community facilities if grass roots sport is to flourish.
- The tradition of volunteering is a competitive advantage for Australia, and is not replicated in many other countries. But sports organisations report increasing difficulties in securing enough volunteers. Modern lifestyles and flexible working hours do not fit easily into the schedules for community sport.

6.2.3. Sport Participation Rates 2016

This report provides the results of an analysis of participation in Victorian club-based sport across the lifespan. It combines data from Victorian State Sporting Associations (SSAs) for 12 major sports: Australian Football League, Basketball, Bowls, Cricket, Football (Soccer), Golf, Gymnastics, Hockey, Netball, Sailing, Swimming, and Tennis.

This report shows that the local government area of Greater Dandenong has a participation rate of 6.2 player registrations per 100 residents. This is the second lowest figure across the state after the City of Melbourne with 6.05. By comparison the Shire of Buloke had the highest levels of participation per head of population with 39.94 registrations per 100 residents.

Key Finding

The key findings for 2016 were the same as those for 2015:

- The rate of overall participation in organised community sport increased from 2015 to 2016. This was driven by increases in male and female participation rates, with male growth much higher than female growth.
- Sport participation is highest among young children (aged 5–14 years).
- Sport participation rates drop significantly during adolescence.
- Sport participation rates among females (11%) are almost half of those among males (21%).
- Sport participation rates are higher in regional Victoria compared to metropolitan Melbourne.

6.3 Parkfield Reserve Sports Club Participation

This section outlines the participation trends of the sporting clubs based at Parkfield Reserve.

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6.3.1. Parkfield Cricket Club

- The club is on an upwards trend fielding seven senior teams (including one female team). This compares to four senior teams, two years ago.
- The club currently has 237 active members compared to 123 (2017), 136 (2016), 113 (2015), 114 (2014), 94 (2013).

6.3.2. Noble Park Tennis Club

Membership over the last five years has been in decline with the following membership recorded.

- 2013 – 132 members
- 2014 – 127 members
- 2015 – 120 members
- 2016 – 88 members
- 2017 - 75 members
- 2018 - expected to increase to about 100 members by February 2019.

6.3.3. Noble Park United Soccer Club

- The club is on an upwards trend with currently 205 members compared to 200 members (2017) and 80 members (2016), 110 members (2015) and 265 members (2014).
- The club fielded 2 senior teams and 3 junior teams.
- They would like to field a female team but have not yet been successful at attracting females to the club.

7 Community Consultation and Stakeholder Engagement

Council and the Consultant Team undertook a range of mediums to engage with as many local users as possible. The detailed consultation process and outcomes are documented within the separate report “Parkfield Reserve Masterplan Community and Stakeholder Engagement Report” (refer to Appendix 3).

A summary of the stages of engagement and the key outcomes from the community and stakeholder engagement is presented below.

7.1 Stage 1 – Future of Park (Generic) Consultation

The Future of Parks community consultation was undertaken as part of Stage 1 and occurred between 14 December 2017 and 15 January 2018. This consultation was a general consultation regarding the future of parks in the municipality, not a specific park. Using the “Our Say” online engagement platform, the consultation was built around two questions, ‘How [do] you currently use parks?’ and ‘What would make you want to visit them more?’

The consultation was promoted on Council’s website, inviting the community to participate in the Our Say online engagement forum. An article, titled ‘Future plans for local parks’ was also placed in The City Magazine – Dec 2017-Jan 2018 Edition. The article informed

the community that the first stage of the master plan process would focus on researching how the parks are currently used and the community’s aspirations for the future and the opportunity for face to face consultation in February 2018.

Thirty eight members of the community responded to the ‘Our Say’- Stage 1 online engagement survey with the majority of respondents requesting play spaces, cafes in parks, additional trees, adult fitness stations, provision of public toilets, seating and tables, shade and paths.

7.2 User Group Consultation with Existing Sport Clubs

7.2.1. Noble Park Tennis Club

At a meeting with the Noble Park Tennis Club, the club advised they lease the facilities from the City of Greater Dandenong, the lease expires this year (2018). There are six en-tout-cas tennis courts. The clubhouse is approximately 50 years old. Membership has declined over the past several years. Currently there are 8 junior teams, 1 hot shots team and 2 senior teams. The courts are used each day of the week with coaching, competition and social play.

The club requested the following improvements:

- New fencing
- Clubrooms in terms of function and fit for purpose
- Spectator seating
- Court markings for hot shots
- Space for hot shots courts

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7.2.2. Parkfield Cricket Club

The cricket club is on an upwards trend, fielding seven senior teams including one female team. There are two junior teams. The clubrooms don't comply with football and cricket facility standards. During the consultation process the club suggested some issues, observation and ideas for improvements including:

- Cricket and tennis clubs agreeable to a co-location in a new facility,
- The location of the cricket nets and bowlers run-ups clash with people using the walking path,
- The tennis hit-up wall is well used,
- Fitness stations would be good,
- Cricket nets need replacing,
- Clubrooms upgrade in terms of function and fit for purpose.

7.2.3. The Noble Park Soccer Club

The Noble United soccer Club made comments during a phone call from the consultant team. The soccer club has a good relationship with the cricket club, though it is sometimes difficult to share facilities. In 2017 the clubs fielded 2 senior teams and 3 junior teams. The change rooms are too small and are not female friendly. Additional car parking is required.

7.3 Stage 2 - Parkfield Reserve Community Consultation

Stage 2 of the community consultation was undertaken between 22 January 2018 and 18 March 2018. This consultation was specific to Parkfield Reserve. The Stage 2 consultation was used to gain as much community input early in the master plan process to provide guidance on the development of the draft master plan.

The consultation also included an article in The City February 2018, the distribution of a postcard (6958 in number) within 1km radius of the park; three posters displayed in the park; the sports club buildings; Council's libraries and customer service counters. A drop-in community consultation session in the park was held on Saturday 17th February 1-4pm to enable residents to have a face to face conversation in the park.

The consultation on the "Our Say" online engagement platform was built around the same two questions as stage 1; 'How [do] you currently use parks?' and 'What would make you want to visit them more?' This consultation invited the community to provide comments on Our Say, or provide an email response to Council's 'futureofparks' email or phone a Council officer.

The key themes derived from the 'Our Say' – Stage 2 consultation was redevelop the cycle track, remove the cycle track, upgrade of sporting facilities improve playground and picnic facilities and provide more trees, shade, paths and picnic areas. It was identified that there are competing needs between improving the cricket oval dimensions to achieve a full compliance with Cricket Australia standards versus retaining the cycling track, which has gained community interest during the Masterplan process.

On the 17th of February 2018, a three hour Drop-in Session was held at the reserve by the Consultant Team and attended by two Council officers and a Ward Councillor. Representatives of the Noble Park Tennis Club and Parkfield Cricket Club and 15 residents

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also attended the session. The key themes from respondents attending the Drop-in session were:

- Retain the cycle track.
- If the cycle track is removed, install a circuit path.
- Make the playground more exciting, including activities for older children.
- Additional seating within the park including at the playground.
- The rebound wall is well used and should be enhanced.
- More shade at the playground.
- More seating and gathering spaces.

7.4 Stage 3 – Consultation and Engagement on the Draft Master Plan (Exhibited Version)

The draft master plan, which proposed the removal of the cycling track was presented to the Ward Councillors on the 7th June prior to undertaking the public exhibition of the draft master plan from 11th July 2018 – 17th August 2018.

The consultation was built around the questions; ‘Tell us if you support the plan? If not, why not?’, and ‘If you do, what are your three top priorities from the ideas listed on the plan?’. This consultation invited the community to provide comments on the Our Say engagement platform, or provide an email response to Council’s ‘futureofparks’ email or phone a Council officer. In addition, an email notification with the link to the Our Say Stage 3 survey and ‘futureofparks’ email was sent to all respondents who had participated in stages 1 and 2 of the process.

The Draft Masterplan poster was displayed at the reserve Council’s customer office counters and libraries.

During the Stage 3 ‘Our Say’ engagement forum -, forty people were engaged and raised 20 ideas, 14 comments and 77 votes. There was a high proportion of respondents to the ‘Our Say’ forum who wanted the cycle track retained and redeveloped. However, there was also a broad cross section of respondents who supported a wide range of park improvements, including the removal of the cycle track. This cross section of responses included support for a proposed new pavilion and redevelopment of cricket/soccer and tennis facilities, walking paths and more car parking,

Bicycle Network Victoria (BNV) was contacted by Council officer in 22nd August 2018 to seek their view on Parkfield Reserve’s cycling track. BNV does not see the Parkfield Reserve’s cycling track upgrade as a high priority action, particularly as it is not linked to existing or proposed bicycle trails in the vicinity. BNV consider that there are a significant number of bike trails/facilities currently available to the community. BNV believes that Cycling Victoria’s priority is on strategically located, high quality facilities and not facilities that are in a state of disrepair.

On 2nd October 2018, a Council Officer contacted Cycling Victoria to seek their opinion on the technical specification for competitive velodrome facilities and how Parkfield Reserve’s cycling track fits into this velodrome category. Cycling Victoria advised the cycling track at Parkfield Reserve would not fit into the competitive velodrome category.

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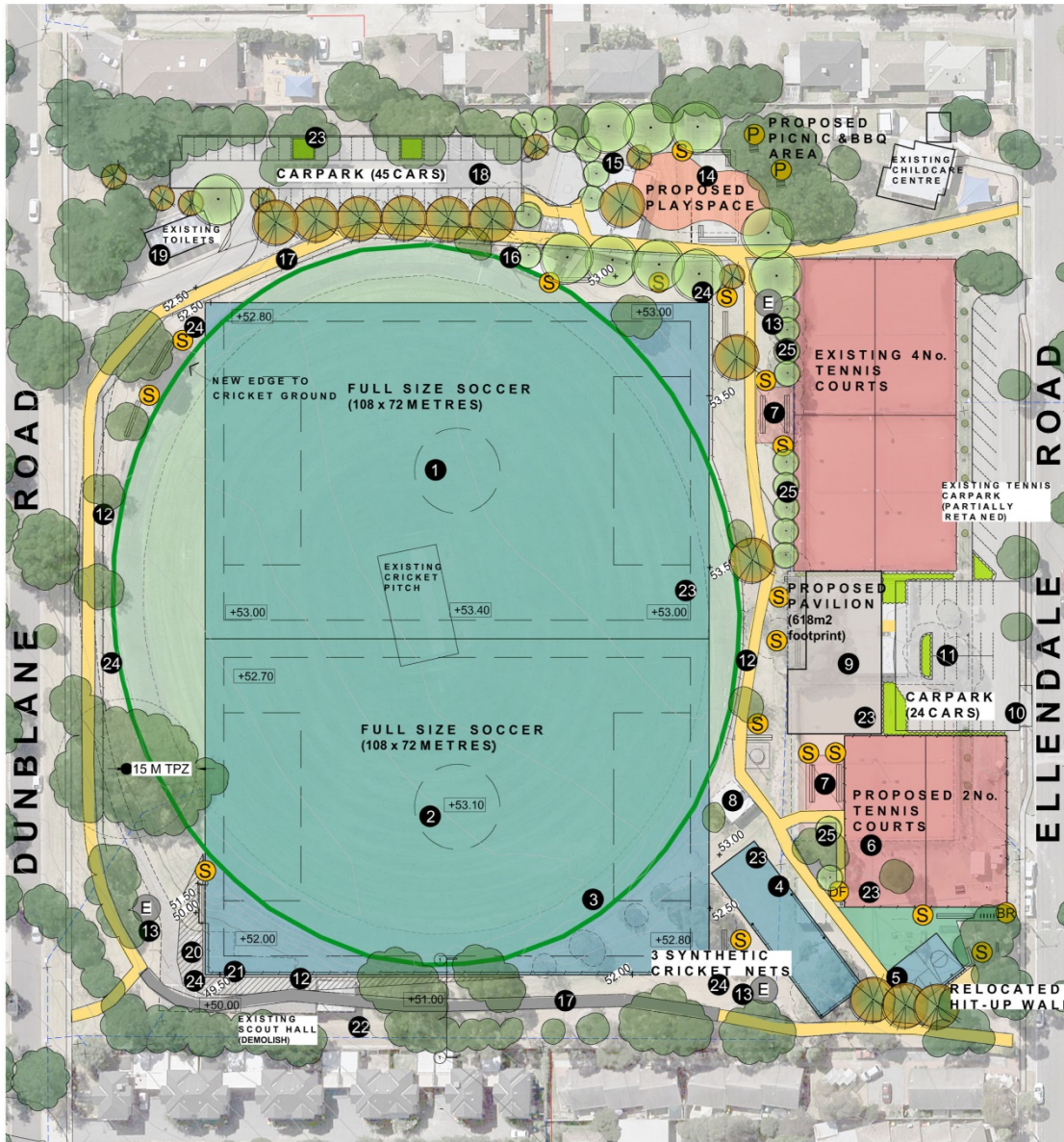
The most controversial strategy of the Draft Masterplan was the removal of the cycling track. During 'Our Say' - Stage 3, a total of 11 out of 21 respondents were opposed to removal of the cycling track. In the previous stage of 'Our Say' and the drop-in session, the upgrade of the cycling track was raised by a minority of respondents.

8 Development of the Draft Master Plan

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- 25 Screen west side of the tennis courts with large shrubs.

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8.1 Key Directions of the Draft Master Plan (Exhibited Version)

Following the three stages of community and stakeholder consultation and engagement, the following key directions were prepared for the draft master plan (Exhibited Version):

8.1.1. Enlarging the Oval with the removal of the cycle track

- Upgraded and fully compliant cricket oval (Cricket Australia Standards) with the removal of the cycling track to allow for the safe use of the oval for open-age community cricket.
- The enlarged oval will allow for two full sized soccer fields that comply with Football Federation Victoria playing dimensions for senior use.

8.1.2. Soccer Fields

- Construct two full-sized soccer fields as a natural grassed surface over and partly beyond the existing cricket field. This is an increase from one existing soccer field.
- The current demand for the soccer fields/ soccer club is strong. To keep up with this growing demand, it is beneficial to construct two full-sized senior soccer fields (108 x 72 metres) including providing opportunities for spectator's seating areas.
- The removal of the cycling track will allow the soccer fields to comply with the competition level standard including the provision of coaches boxes as per Football Federation Victoria guidelines. Ball catch nets will be provided behind

each of the goals and fringe zones either side of the goals. Netting would be of a draw string system.

- Retaining embankments and constructing retaining walls will be required to the south west corner of the playing field.
- Considerable earthworks are needed, with retaining walls to be constructed to the south west corner. Earth shaping is required to re-profile the existing playing field's surface and reconstruct the playing field with warm season grass such as kikuyu grass over sand and drainage pipework. The grassed area will require an in-ground automatic irrigation system.

8.1.3. Cricket Ground

- Expand the area of the existing cricket ground to comply with the Cricket Australia compliance guidelines for run off dimensions to open-age community level. This will necessitate removal of the existing cycling track.
- The proposed oval size is 130 – 154 metres diameter, which will meet the recommended run off of Cricket Australia standard.
- The current demand for cricket is strong. In parallel to the provision of two soccer pitches, the existing cricket ground, that is slightly undersized, is to be increased by approximately 12%. The infrastructure and ground works required is as per the comment above

8.1.4. Cricket Practice Net

- Construct three synthetic cricket practice wickets to the south east side of the cricket field.

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- The current cricket practice wickets are in a dangerous location with respect to conflict with pedestrians using the east-west path linking Dunblane Avenue to Ellendale Road.
- To address the current conflict with the existing mid-block pedestrian the three cricket practice nets need to be relocated. This will require relocation and reconstruction of three new synthetic cricket practice wickets / nets to the south east side of the cricket field. (29 x 11.5 metres), which requires removal of 1 Eucalypt and 2 Corymbias.
- The relocation of the proposed cricket practice wickets will improve its proximity to the entrance of the proposed pavilion, making it convenient for participants.

8.1.5. Consolidated Sports Club Pavilion

- Construct a 2-storey pavilion to be shared by the cricket, soccer and tennis clubs, an associated car park and storage for the cricket pitch roller. Entrance to the car park from Ellendale Road. Net gain of car parking to be 20 cars.
- One of the main infrastructure issues for Parkfield Reserve is the poor condition and function of the cricket and soccer clubs pavilion and the tennis club's pavilion. Council's strategic management objective is to provide and manage single buildings comprising of multi-disciplinary use incorporating shared facilities and the social rooms based on the seasonal use.
- Council's Open Space Strategy (2009) objectives are to provide multi-use sports facilities wherever possible. As there are three sporting clubs currently using two pavilions in the reserve, and neither pavilion meets current needs, the

solution is to construct a single purpose-built shared pavilion, to meet the needs of the cricket, soccer and tennis clubs, in agreement with Council.

- The most appropriate location for a multi-use pavilion is to the east edge of the oval with shared spectator viewing of cricket, soccer and tennis. To facilitate the construction of the pavilion, removal and relocation of the two most southern tennis courts is required.
- The proposed pavilion is a two storey building and will provide for social room(s), meeting rooms and administration rooms upstairs with change room/ toilet facilities downstairs. A lift should be provided for access for people of all abilities.
- Relocate the storage facility to the ground floor of the new pavilion.
- Remove the existing storage shed. Currently there is storage for the cricket wicket roller and tennis nets within a brick shed at the south east section of the playing field. The new pavilion will have purpose built storage for cricket, tennis and soccer apparatus and access for small maintenance machinery and equipment.

8.1.6. Tennis Courts

- Relocate two tennis courts to facilitate the construction of the proposed pavilion.
- Relocate the two tennis courts south east from their existing location, (36.6 x 34.7 metres total size)

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- Construct two shelters with seating integrated into the relocated tennis court's western fence and to the four tennis courts which will remain.
- It is important that weather protection, including sun protection for the relocated southern tennis courts and to the four tennis courts to the north is provided.
- Screen the west side of the tennis courts with shrubs.
- The establishment of dense large shrubs will provide some wind protection for people playing tennis. There will be two spectator viewing shelters at specific locations to the west side of the courts.

8.1.7. New Shared Circuit Path

- Provide a 2.5 metre wide shared trail circuit linking Dunblane and Ellendale Roads. The trail is to circumnavigate the perimeter of the reserve.
- The proposed trail is below the perimeter rim of the oval.
- The existing cycling track is used as a circuit loop path at present. If the cycling track is removed, there is the need to provide for a shared walking and cycling path that circumnavigates the perimeter of the reserve.
- Exercise stations would be provided close to the perimeter shared path. The perimeter path needs to be connected to car parks and to both adjoining streets.

8.1.8. Hit-up Wall (see the photo to the right-above)

- The existing hit-up wall adjacent to the play space has proven to be very popular for informal ball play including; tennis, soccer, basketball and cricket.

- The existing hit-up wall is to be demolished and relocated to facilitate the new pavilion location. And relocate a new hit-up wall and basketball hoop further south.
- Proposed new location for the hit-up wall can be closer to the cricket practice wickets. And the new hit-up wall can be designed with cricket wicket line markings and basketball hoop.



Existing tennis hit-up wall adjacent to the play space

8.1.9. Fitness Exercise Stations

- Provide fitness exercise stations at several sections of the reserve.
- During the consultation and engagement process in the preparation of the Masterplan, locals valued the opportunity to exercise in the reserve and envisaged that the provision of exercise stations would be of benefit to them.

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8.1.20. Playground / Play space

- The new location for the play space to the north end of the reserve is near and partly underneath two large English Oak tree specimens, combined with additional deciduous trees and shade sails.
- The current play space is well used, however it is within 30 metres of a road and therefore not compliant with Council's Playground Strategy. The current play space falls within the footprint of the proposed tennis courts relocation.
- The two large English Oak trees to the northern end of the reserve offer a wonderful opportunity to locate the new playground with seating and picnic facilities within the shade of the trees and nearby to the trees.

8.1.21. Car parking and Vehicle Access

- Formalise car parking to the north side of the oval with a sealed car park accommodating 45 cars with access to Dunblane Road.
- Incorporate several existing trees into the car park layout.
- Review locations of existing trees on site –adjustments to the existing car park layout may be required.
- The existing cricket pavilion and associated shelter are to be demolished to accommodate the play space and additional formalised car parking.
- The removal of the single storey brick cricket pavilion and a cricket shelter allow for additional formalised and sealed car park. The formalised car park double the capacity of the current random layout of car parking. It also allows the provision of a play space that is commensurate with a

District Level Park as defined in Council's Open Space Strategy (2009).

8.1.22. Public Toilet (see below photo)

- Retain the existing public toilets in their current location. The public toilet facility of contemporary design is in a suitable location.

8.1.23. Scout Hall (see below photo)

- Demolish the existing scout hall, revert the footprint to open space as a grassed area and construct the perimeter circuit shared path.
- The Scout Hall is home to the Lord Casey Rover Crew who has made other arrangements for their venue to conduct regular meetings and activities. The Scout Hall needs to be carefully removed and disposed of to meet current health and safety compliance standards.



New recently constructed toilet facilities (left) and existing Scout Hall (right)

8.1.24. Fencing

- Construct a 1.2 metre high sports field fence for at least half of the Dunblane Street frontage.
- Dunblane Street is a residential street which generates a substantial volume of traffic. With the extension of the cricket field to comply to 'open age' competition standards and the proposed 2x full-sized soccer pitches, the boundaries to the fields are much closer to Dunblane Street than the current cycling track fence line, which prevents most cricket and soccer balls entering the street.
- The provision of a new 1.2 metre high fence immediately east of the proposed shared trail will prevent cricket and soccer balls entering the pedestrian and vehicle zones. There will be need for ball catch nets behind the soccer goals and their transition edges to retain errant soccer balls.

8.1.25. Flooding / Drainage and WSUD

- Investigate strategies to resolve the flooding issue to residential properties along the southern boundary of the reserve.
- Currently several of the residential properties that adjoin the southern boundary of the reserve are subject to flooding from surface stormwater from the immediate edge of the reserve. There is need to increase the capacity of the existing overland flow path (channel) and adjustments to levels of the channel. Regular clearance of the leaves within the channel would assist, particularly in autumn. (*see the photo to the right*)

- Investigate the potential for incorporating Water Sensitive Urban Design solutions within paved areas and edges to pavements, grassed areas and garden beds.
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- The extent of new carpark surfaces, the existing and new pathways lend themselves to the formation of rain garden and passive irrigation to the immediate adjoining grassed areas, garden beds and trees.

8.1.26. Lighting

- Install compliant sports flood lighting to the corners of the sports fields.
- The installation of 4 training lights will allow soccer training at night and is commensurate with the provision of senior competition level facilities at a District Level Reserve.



Inadequate drainage and kerbing at the southern boundary of the reserve

9 Development of the Draft Masterplan Post Stage 3 Community Engagement

9.1 Council's and Design Team Response - Post to Stage 3 Community and Stakeholder Consultation

In response to the community members who had not responded in favour of the exhibited draft Master Plan which proposed to remove the cycling track, Council officers developed an alternative masterplan– 'Option B' which retained the cycle track. The purpose of 'Option B' was to test and demonstrate that the masterplan directions of Option A (Refined Draft Master Plan) were sound and that the benefits of Option A far exceeded the retention of the cycling track as seen in Option B.

Option A (Refined Draft Master Plan) and Option B (Alternative Draft Master Plan) were presented to a Councillor Briefing Session on 8th October 2018 for their consideration. The opportunities and constraints, net community benefit and cost estimation for each option were outlined to the Councillors.

This is summarised below.

- **Option A/ Refined Draft Master Plan**– *two full sized soccer fields, enlargement of the cricket ground (to accommodate run off), removal of the cycling track, interpretive sign, construction of a loop of shared walking and cycling path and construction of a new two-storey shared pavilion for the three sports club.*
- **Option B/ Alternative Draft Master Plan** – *retention and upgrade of the cycling track with a single senior soccer field infill, removal of the cricket ground and cricket practice net, construction of a loop of walking path and construction of a new single-storey tennis pavilion.*

9.2 Refined Draft Master Plan (Option A) – Remove the Cycling Track, (*Plan - refer next page 50*)

9.2.1. Option A's features

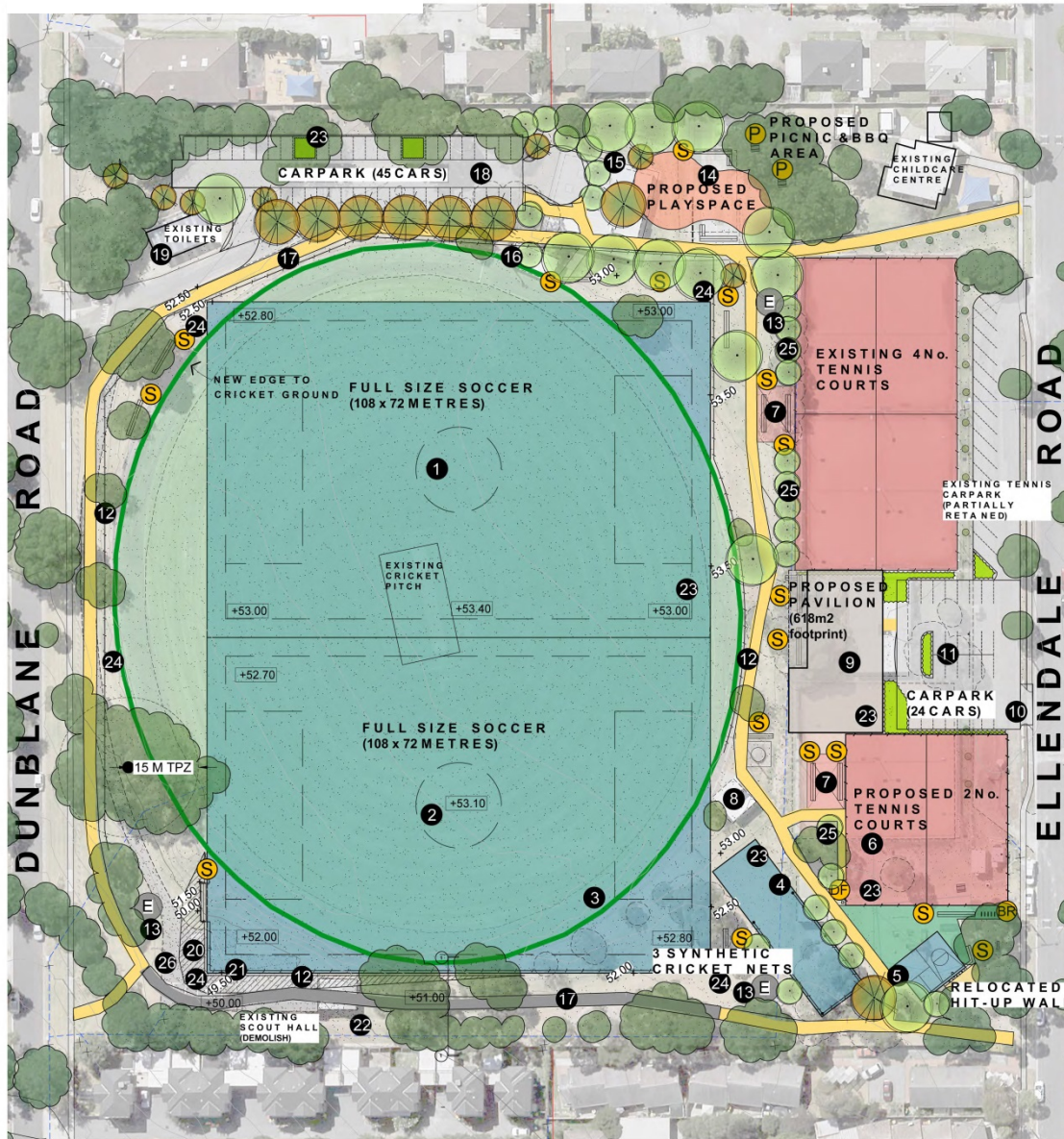
The features of Refined Draft Master Plan (Option A) include:

- Upgraded and fully compliant cricket oval (Cricket Australia Standards)
- Two full size senior soccer pitches, being an increase from one existing.
- A new two storey sports pavilion to be shared by the sporting clubs.
- Four upgraded existing tennis courts and two new relocated tennis courts
- New lighting (tennis and soccer)
- Three new practice cricket wickets / nets
- A new shared 2.5 metre wide concrete walking / cycling track and fitness equipment
- New playground
- An upgraded existing hit up wall with a basketball hoop
- Additional car parking spaces

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OPTION A - Master Plan



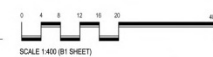
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9.2.2. Option A's pros and cons

Benefits of Option A (exhibited draft)	Constraints of Option A
A compliant cricket oval (Cricket Australia Standards)	Loss of the existing cycling track, which will be replaced by a new shared walking and cycling track
Two full size compliant senior soccer pitches	Removal of 3 trees to accommodate the new cricket practice wickets
Facilitate increasing participation in soccer and cricket by the local community	Additional car parking demand during soccer competition day (however offset by additional car parking)
A new consolidated two storey sports pavilion building that improves facilities for all sporting clubs.	
Upgraded and relocated tennis courts	
A new shared 2.5 metre wide concrete walking / cycling track	

Benefits of Option A (exhibited draft)	Constraints of Option A
Removal of the existing safety conflicts between the cycling track and other activities	
Three new relocated practice cricket wickets / nets	
Tree protection zone for the significant gum tree located on Dunblane Road	
Additional car parking spaces	
Improved sight lines with the removal of the cycling track.	
The master plan considered the future population trends, sports participation and social / passive recreational opportunities for the park which were demonstrated in the stages 1 and 2 consultation feedback.	

9.3 Alternative Master Plan (Option B) - Retain the Cycling Track, (*Plan - refer next page 53*)

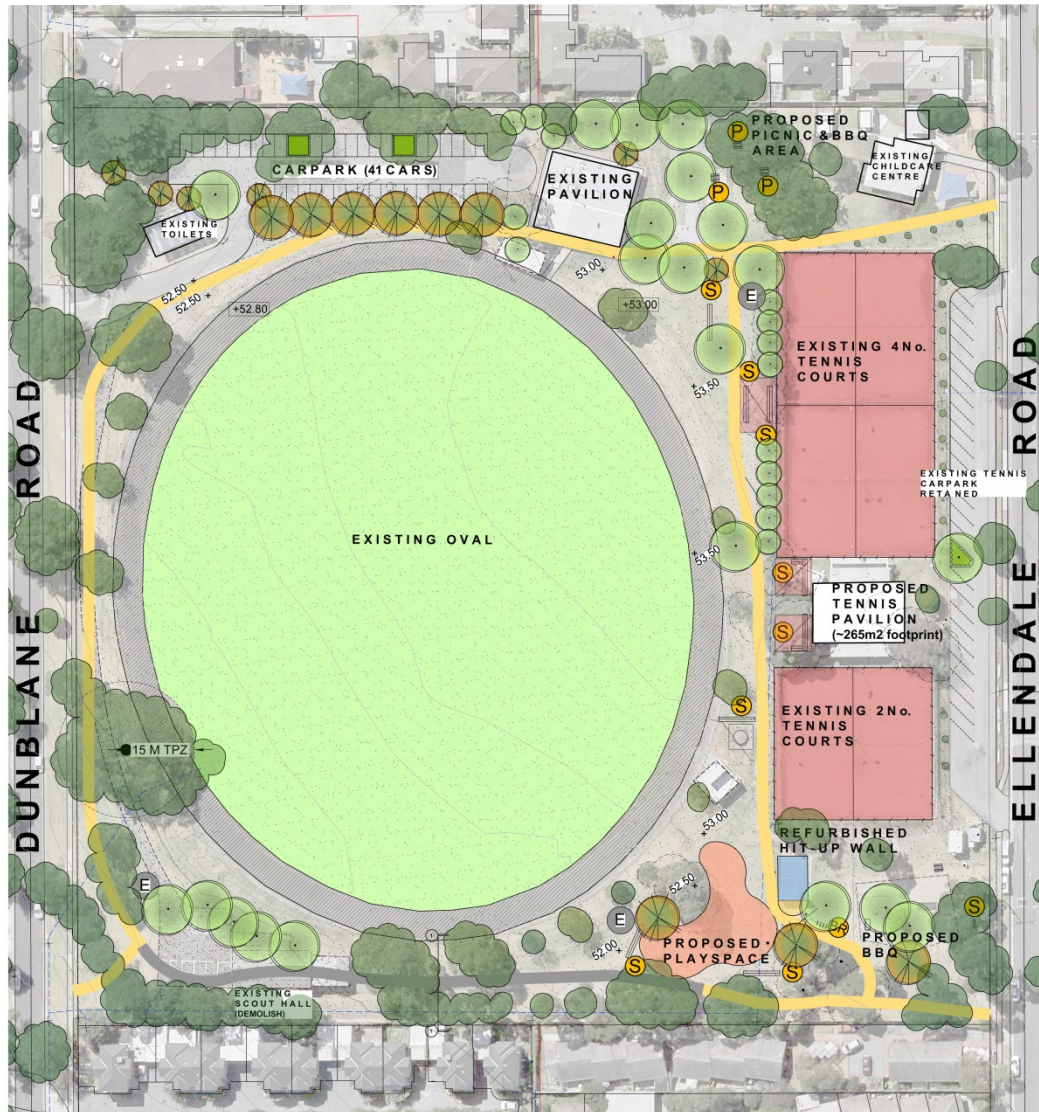
9.3.1.. Option B's features

The features of the alternative Master Plan (Option B) include:









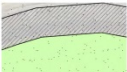
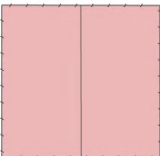
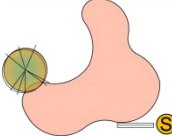

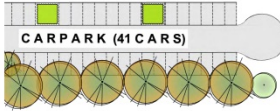



- Upgrade cycle track suitable for recreational cycling.
- The existing single soccer pitch would be retained.
- New single storey pavilion would be constructed for the tennis club, and courts upgraded.
- New shared 2.5 metre wide concrete walking / cycling track
- An upgraded existing hit up wall with a basketball hoop
- New playground

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OPTION B - Master Plan



LEGEND

-  EXISTING VEGETATION TO BE RETAINED
-  PROPOSED 2.5 METRE WIDE GRAVEL SHARED TRAIL
-  PROPOSED 2.5 METRE WIDE CONCRETE SHARED TRAIL
-  PROPOSED EVERGREEN TREES
-  PROPOSED DECIDUOUS TREES
-  PROPOSED SEATING
-  PROPOSED PICNIC SETTING
-  PROPOSED EXERCISE STATION
-  EXISTING CYCLING TRACK TO BE RETAINED AND RESURFACED. EXISTING GRASSED OVAL SURFACE TO BE RETAINED.
-  EXISTING TENNIS COURTS TO BE RETAINED
-  PROPOSED PLAYSPACE TO CATER FOR A WIDE RANGE OF AGE GROUPS
-  PROPOSED SEATING
-  PROPOSED ASPHALT CAR PARK
CARPARK (41 CARS)
-  PROPOSED SEATING
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9.3.2.. Option B's pros and cons

Benefits of Option B	Constraints of Option B
Retention of the existing cycling track (with resurfacing required) albeit it is limited for accommodating recreational cycling only.	The cycling track is still unsuitable for competition level and would not be classified as a velodrome.
Retains the only circular cycling track in the Greater Dandenong, thus providing a venue for recreational cycling for the locals and the broader cyclists in this region.	Velodromes have specific requirements in terms of length, width and banking, which this track does not comply with. To construct a velodrome on this site would impact on almost all other facilities on the site, and result in considerable loss of vegetation.
Provides a safe cycling space.	The improved cycling track remains unsuitable for cycling competition. The existing cycling track condition does not meet the requirements for cycling competition (UCI Cycling) and even with the possible improved resurfacing the angle and the inside track condition will not meet the competition 'velodrome' standards. Thus the improved cycling track would remain at best only suitable for recreational use.
Retains the legacy of Maurice Kirby.	The angle of the existing cycling track is not ideal for children learning to ride a bike compared to a flat shared pedestrian and cycling path proposed in Option A.

Benefits of Option B	Constraints of Option B
Retains the diversity of recreational cycling facilities and experiences currently available to Noble Park's residents.	The cycling track reduces lines of sight within the reserve due to the raised angled cycling track.
This is a significantly cheaper redevelopment option than Option A as the pavilion will be a single storey with a smaller footprint as to only accommodate the facility for the tennis club Cost saving in not requiring car park extension.	Cost associated with the resurfacing the cycling track and potential reconstruction of the sub-grade (foundation) that is unknown without further investigation.
Cost saving in not requiring to relocate the two tennis court and the tennis pavilion.	The cycling track reduces the versatility of use of the infill sports oval.
Cost saving in not requiring the formative earthworks associated with the construction of the two soccer fields, removal of the cycling track and levelling works.	The potential increased cycling activities remain uncertain as no official local cycling club exist in the local area and based on the current low demand use for the cycling track.
Cost saving in not requiring retaining walls to the south west corner of the two soccer fields that otherwise required for the new cricket practice net in the Option A.	Retaining the existing cycling track would result in the tenant cricket club (Parkfield Cricket Club) needing to move to another reserve due to the non-compliant cricket oval size to the Cricket Australia standards.

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Benefits of Option B	Constraints of Option B
<p>Lower Council \$ investment on this district park in the next 5-10 years.</p>	<p>The perimeter of the oval is 7 metres less (status quo) than the cricket ground with the two full sized soccer pitches (Option A). At its shortest point the radius is approximately 52 metres. Cricket Australia standards for Open Age Community is a minimum of 50 metres and recommended of 60 metres for the playing field, and additional run-off of a minimum of 2.74 metres (per side) is required to the fence line from the boundary. A buffer distance of between 20 to 40 metres from boundaries is preferable to reduce risk and increase park user and property safety.</p>
<p>. Avoid the removal of three mature trees located on the south east quarter of the reserve.</p>	<p>Only one senior sized soccer pitch 108 metres x 72 metres or one junior sized soccer pitch 88 metres x 67metres (could enlarge by approximately 8%) could be accommodated within the existing oval at any particular time.</p>
	<p>Soccer lighting may not reach sufficient LUX levels or may have some “dead spots” as the light towers are still outside of the cycling track.</p>

Benefits of Option B	Constraints of Option B
	<p>Access to the playing field from the pavilion is not ideal with the walk down to the oval on the existing cycling track hazardous.</p>
	<p>Less opportunity for participation in cricket and soccer by the local community than otherwise facilitated by Option A.</p>
	<p>To address the above the use of infill sports oval must be limited outside the booked hours of the cycling track usage and vice versa.</p>
	<p>Safety conflicts relating to possibility of soccer balls hitting cyclists and pedestrians using the cycling track during soccer matches and practice sessions.</p>
	<p>Less opportunity for a healthy root system to the large Yarra Gum tree located on Dunblane Road.</p>

9.4 Recommendations and Way Forward for the Development of the Final Master Plan

- Investing in the established Parkfield Reserve sports clubs facilities and sports grounds to support their long term future and growth in membership was seen as an important consideration in the evaluation of the two options. In this regard, the pros and cons analysis shows that Option A masterplan better addresses this particular consideration.
- More broadly, the active and passive recreational improvements to the park and increase in the provision of environmental improvements such as increasing tree canopy coverage were identified during the consultation as important for the local community.
- The health and wellbeing of the community and the opportunity to visit and use the park is also further enhanced by the introduction of passive recreational facilities that are needed in the park, in particular picnic and bbq areas, shelters and seating.

10 Final Master Plan

(Plan - refer next page 58)

The Parkfield Reserve master plan is the Refined Exhibited Master Plan (Option A). The objectives and the key features of the master plan are outlined in this chapter.

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LEGEND

- EXISTING VEGETATION TO BE RETAINED
- PROPOSED 2.5 METRE WIDE GRAVEL SHARED TRAIL
- PROPOSED 2.5 METRE WIDE CONCRETE SHARED TRAIL
- PROPOSED 1.2 METRE HIGH SPORTS FIELD FENCE
- PROPOSED EVERGREEN TREES
- PROPOSED DECIDUOUS TREES
- PROPOSED SEATING
- PROPOSED PICNIC SETTING
- PROPOSED EXERCISE STATION

- 1 Proposed full-sized soccer pitch with seating (108 x 72 metres) Natural grass surface
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- 3 Demolish the existing cycling track and expand the existing cricket oval. (Proposed size 130 - 154 Dia.)
- 4 Proposed 3 synthetic practice cricket wickets / nets. (39 x 11.5m) Removal of 1 Eucalypt and 2 Corymbias
- 5 Proposed new location for the hit up wall with cricket wicket linemarkings and basketball hoop. The existing hit-up wall is to be demolished.
- 6 Relocated tennis courts. (Moved south east from their existing location). (36.6 x 34.7m total size.)
- 7 Proposed shelter with seating. Integrated into the existing tennis court fencing.
- 8 Remove the existing storage shed. (Storage in new pavilion)
- 9 Proposed two storey pavilion with vehicle access, seats and car parking. Storage for sports equipment, roller with pavilion.
- 10 Relocated entry into the carpark from Ellendale Road. Loss of 6 car parking spaces.
- 11 Proposed car parking to service the new pavilion. (26 spaces)
- 12 Proposed 1.2m high sports field fence.
- 13 Proposed exercise stations.
- 14 Proposed new location of local playspace with proposed picnic and barbeque area, near two existing English oak trees.
- 15 Demolish the existing cricket pavilion.
- 16 Existing northern shelter to be demolished.
- 17 Proposed 2.5 metre wide shared trail circuit linking Ellendale Road to Dunblane Road. The proposed trail is below the perimeter rim of the oval.
- 18 Proposed car park extension for 45 cars (asphalt surface). Review existing trees on-site - existing adjustments to the layout may be required.
- 19 Existing toilets retained in the current location.
- 20 Proposed embankment wall approximately 2-2.5 metres high.
- 21 Demolish the existing scout hall and revert the footprint to grass and construct a perimeter path. The proposed path is below the perimeter rim of the oval.
- 22 Investigate strategies to resolve the flooding issue for the residential properties along the southern boundary of the reserve, i.e. increase the capacity of the overland flow path which includes increasing the freeboard to prevent storm water flows entering under the boundary fence lines into the residential properties.
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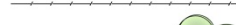




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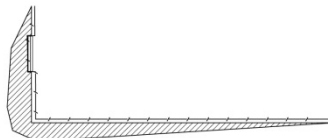
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LEGEND - PARKFIELD RESERVE

-  EXISTING VEGETATION TO BE RETAINED
-  EXISTING / PROPOSED GRASSED AREA AS NOTED
-  EXISTING BUILDING TO BE RETAINED
-  EXISTING GRAVEL TO BE RETAINED
-  EXISTING PARK FURNITURE TO BE RETAINED

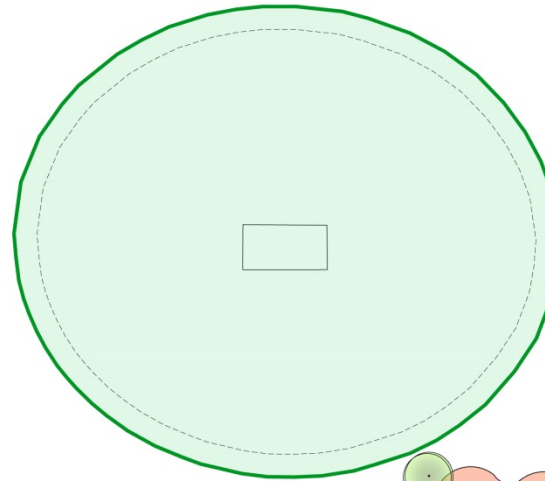
 EXISTING TENNIS COURTS TO BE REMOVED, UPGRADED AND RELOCATED AS PER MASTERPLAN.

-  EXISTING DRAIN PIPES TO BE RETAINED
-  EXISTING PATH / ROAD TO BE REMOVED
-  EXISTING NORTHERN SHELTER TO BE DEMOLISHED
-  PROPOSED 2.5 METRE WIDE GRAVEL SHARED TRAIL
-  PROPOSED 2.5 METRE WIDE CONCRETE SHARED TRAIL
-  PROPOSED 1.2 METRE HIGH SPORTS FIELD FENCE
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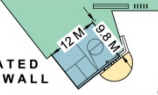
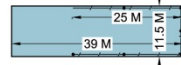

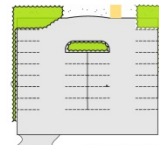



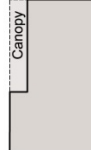


PROPOSED GRASSED FULL-SIZED SOCCER PITCH (108 x 68 METRES)

PROPOSED EMBANKMENT WALL APPROXIMATELY 2.5 METRES HIGH AT THE HIGHEST POINT. 1.2 METRES HIGH BLACK CYCLONE MESH FENCE TO THE PERIMETER OF THE SOCCER FIELD.



PROPOSED GRASSED CRICKET OVAL. PROPOSED SIZE 154 x 130m.

-  PROPOSED EXERCISE STATION
-  PROPOSED PLAYSPACE
-  PROPOSED HIT-UP WALL WITH CRICKET WICKET LINEMARKINGS, BASKETBALL HOOP AND LINEMARKINGS, ROCK CLIMBING, SEATING AND SURROUNDING HARD SURFACE
-  PROPOSED SYNTHETIC GRASS CRICKET NETS
-  PROPOSED SHELTER
-  PROPOSED CARPARKING (ASPHALT SURFACE) CARPARK SPACES ARE 5m x 2.6m WITH A NOMINAL 6m AISLE. PROVIDE 2 DISABLED CAR PARK SPACES IN PARKFIELD RESERVE.
-  AREA PRESENTLY OF HARD SURFACE OR BUILDING TO BE CONVERTED TO GRASSED OPEN SPACE.
-  EXISTING SITE SPOT LEVEL
-  PROPOSED SITE SPOT LEVEL
-  PROPOSED 2 STOREY PAVILION WITH CHANGE ROOMS AND COVERED CANOPY AREA TO THE GROUND LEVEL AND SOCIAL CLUBROOM TO THE SECOND LEVEL. TOTAL GROUND LEVEL FOOTPRINT (EXCLUDING CANOPY) = 618m², TOTAL FLOOR SPACE = 823m², CANOPY = 83m²

10.1 Objectives of the Master Plan

The Parkfield Master Plan has been developed to balance five key themes:

- Asset improvements to the sports grounds and building facilities
- Increasing sports development and participation levels across all age groups and genders
- Increasing community participation by developing facilities that will support population growth, future recreational trends and the health and wellbeing of the community.
- Informal passive recreational use that appeals to a broader cross section of the community
- Environmental improvements

The Master Plan provides a clear direction on how the proposed land uses should be developed, infrastructure, movement and access objectives, built form and environmental initiatives can be developed and implemented to support and balance existing and future park infrastructure and park improvements.

Incorporation of the following objectives was considered an important outcome of the final master plan:

- Support and increase the provision of formal sports usage that benefits the established sports clubs.
- Create safer environments and respond to the risk management issues associated with the cricket and soccer use and the cycle track
- Increase the broader community uses for passive recreation and social activities

- Provide a path network for bicycle and pedestrian circulation that can be used by people of all abilities.
- Increase the informal recreational options for play, exercise and social gatherings
- Rationalise vehicle access and parking to maximise the available space for open space purposes.
- Enhance the environmental attributes through increased tree canopy coverage.
- Improve the park infrastructure and address the flood mitigation within the reserve.

10.2 Master Plan Features

The overall master plan provides detailed direction in relation to the following elements as well as an implementation plan to guide the capital works program. For the purposes of this report the key elements have been summarised to demonstrate the master plan intent.

10.2.1. The Oval, Sporting Fields and Tennis Courts

- Upgraded and fully compliant cricket oval (Cricket Australia Standards) with the removal of the cycling track to allow for the safe use of the oval for open-age community cricket.
- Two full size senior soccer pitches - 108 x 72 metres including a 4 metre runoff on all sides (100 x 64 metres playing fields). This is an increase from one existing soccer field. This will address the growth in the Soccer Club and Cricket Club membership and enable the continued use of the park for both senior and junior competition and training.

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- Four upgraded existing tennis courts and two new relocated tennis courts to future proof the club and encourage growth in their membership base.
- New sports lighting (tennis courts and soccer fields) to enable the park to be used in the evenings and the support the growth of the sports clubs.
- Three new synthetic practice cricket wickets / nets relocated to the south east corner of the oval to respond to safety and conflict issues and bowlers' run-up requirements.

10.2.2. Buildings and Facilities

- Consolidation of the three existing buildings (tennis club, Parkfield Pavilion and Scout Hall) into one fit-for-purpose building. This rationalises the future asset management of the Council's building stock within the park.
- A new two-storey sports pavilion to be shared by the sporting clubs. Storage would also be relocated to this new pavilion. The Parkfield Pavilion and the Tennis Club building would be demolished to make way for this new facility. Replacing the old existing facilities which are near to end of life and do not meet the sporting code requirements, especially for female friendly sports facilities will support the growth in the sporting clubs membership levels. The facility would include community sports change rooms, social / multi-purpose rooms, umpires/ referees change rooms, kitchen and canteen, covered spectator area and storage.

- Demolition of the Scout Hall. This will facilitate the expansion of the oval and soccer field and also allow for flood mitigation works to occur.

10.2.3. Vehicle Circulation and Parking

- Provision of additional car parking spaces associated with the new two storey sports pavilion.
- Rationalising the car parking within the reserve to maximise the available space for open space purposes.
- Consolidation and formalisation of the northern car park to provide line marked spaces and to facilitate space for the 2.5 metre concrete circuit shared path and landscaping.
- Removal of the western access road and car park at the Scout Hall to allow for the new 2.5 metres wide shared circuit path. Removal of this access road will also improve the protection of the remnant Yarra Gum (*Eucalyptus Yarraensis*).

10.2.4. Infrastructure – Pedestrian and Cycle Paths

- A new shared 2.5 metre wide flat concrete walking / cycling track to allow children and adults of all abilities to exercise around a path circuit within the park.

10.2.5. Informal Recreation and Landscape Spaces

- New playground relocated to the north of the reserve, collocated near the proposed picnic and bbq area under the large English oak trees. The playground is relocated so that it is away from Ellendale Road and closer to the kindergarten.

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- An upgraded existing hit up wall with a basketball hoop to support its popularity and non-organised sport.
- New fitness stations around the circuit path to increase active participation and promote physical that is free for the community to use.
- New picnic and bbq areas and informal park seating.

10.2.6. Cultural Heritage Interpretation

- Recognition of Maurice Kirby's role in the development of the *Maurice Kirby velodrome* / cycling track and the early planning of Parkfield Reserve. His contribution to the local community as a sports commentator and as a highly respected local identity would be recognised within Parkfield Reserve.
- Maurice Kirby's legacy and his role in the early establishment of Parkfield Reserve would be told as a story for the existing and future community of Noble Park to learn about.
- Engagement with the Kirby family on Maurice Kirby's legacy and story would be an important part of this process.

10.2.7. Landscape Character and Environmental Improvements

- Protecting the existing trees and increasing the tree canopy cover across the reserve will create a more diverse landscape park experience as well as providing shade.
- Enhancing the significant vegetation within the park, such as the large English Oaks within the northern section of the park.
- Ensuring that tree protection zone for the significant Yarra Gum (*Eucalypus Yarraensis*) located close to Dunblane Road is maintained and managed.
- Improving the sight lines into the reserve from Dunblane Road by the removal of the cycle track. The new shared path and landscaping would also increase the activation of the western edge of the park.
- Providing improved drainage infrastructure to respond to the flood mitigation issues along the southern section of the reserve.

11 Implementation

(To be confirmed through Council programming and budgets)

The Implementation Plan provides the guidance on both the design and construction sequence that will need to be undertaken to implement the master plan. The implementation of the master plan is subject to the support and funding of capital works bids as part of Council's annual budget process.

The actions outlined below are numbered according to the sequential order required to implement the Master Plan.

Opinion of Probable Costs and Proposed Parkfield Reserve Masterplan Implementation (November 2018)

An Opinion of Probable Costs was prepared by Wilde and Woollard, Michael Smith and Associates Landscape Architecture and Urban Design with the input from Council.

Year 1 2018/19 (already funded):

Project Title	Supporting Strategy/ Service Plan	Category	Cost
Site feature and level survey Design and documentation of the expanded sports field area	Master Plan	Upgrade	\$100,000
		Total	\$100,000

Year 2

Project Title	Supporting Strategy/ Service Plan	Category	Cost
Tree Planting, Landscape and furniture	Master Plan	Upgrade	\$10,000
Velodrome Removal and Temp Drainage Mitigation	Master Plan	Upgrade	\$500,000
Relocation and improvement of existing path network	Master Plan	Upgrade	\$300,000
Disposal of Scouts Hall (Stage 1)	Building Disposal Program	Disposal	\$50,000
		Total	\$860,000

Year 3

Project Title	Supporting Strategy/ Service Plan	Category	Cost
Disposal of Scouts Hall (Stage 2)	Building Disposal Program	Disposal	\$50,000

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Exercise Stations	Master Plan	Upgrade	\$100,000
Construction of Oval Inc Lighting , Fencing, Goalposts, shelters and retaining walls and 2 x Scoreboards	Master Plan	Upgrade	\$2.0M
Tree Planting, Landscape and furniture	Master Plan	Upgrade	\$10,000
Demolition of hit-up wall	Master Plan	Disposal	\$35,000
		Total	\$2.195M

Year 4

Project Title	Supporting Strategy/ Service Plan	Category	Cost
New Pavilion – Concept Design	Master Plan, Sports Facilities Plan 2018	Upgrade	\$50,000
Tree Planting, Landscape and furniture	Master Plan	Upgrade	\$10,000
Relocation of Cricket nets	Master Plan	Upgrade	\$250,000
Tennis Club resurface and Relocate 2 tennis Courts - Design Lighting, courts and fencing	Master Plan, Sports Facilities Plan 2018	Upgrade	\$10,000
		Total	\$320,000

Year 5

Project Title	Supporting Strategy/ Service Plan	Category	Cost
New Pavilion – Detailed Design	Master Plan, Sports Facilities Plan 2018	Upgrade	\$150,000
Tree Planting, Landscape and furniture	Master Plan	Upgrade	\$10,000
Tennis Club resurface and Relocate 2 (5 & 6) tennis Courts - Construction Lighting, courts and fencing	Master Plan, Sports Facilities Plan 2018	Upgrade	\$500,000
		Total	\$660,000

Year 6

Project Title	Supporting Strategy/ Service Plan	Category	Cost
New Pavilion – Construction	Master Plan, Sports Facilities Plan 2018	Upgrade	\$4.5M
Tree Planting, Landscape and furniture	Master Plan	Upgrade	\$10,000
Disposal of Tennis Club Pavilion	Building Disposal Program, Master Plan	Disposal	\$50,000
Disposal of Old Pavilion (Cricket/Soccer)	Building Disposal Program, Master Plan	Disposal	\$50,000
		Total	\$4.61M

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Year 7:

Project Title	Supporting Strategy/ Service Plan	Category	Cost
Tree Planting, Landscape and furniture	Master Plan	Upgrade	\$10,000
Formalisation of Carpark	Master Plan	Upgrade	\$300,000
		Total	\$310,000

Year 8

Project Title	Supporting Strategy/ Service Plan	Category	Cost
Upgrade and renewal of Play-space in new location including BBQ and Picnic Facilities	Master Plan	Upgrade	\$250,000
		Total	\$250,000

Year 9

Project Title	Supporting Strategy/ Service Plan	Category	Cost
Resurfacing the existing Tennis Courts 1 to 4, new tennis lights and fencing Construction	Master Plan, Sports Facilities Plan 2018	Upgrade	\$500,000
		Total	\$500,000

TOTAL COST	Subtotal Excluding GST	\$9,805,000
	Contingency Sum 10%	\$980,500
	Total (Excluding GST)	\$10,785,000

12 Appendices

- **Appendix 1** - Lighting Notes prepared by Martin Butcher Lighting Design
- **Appendix 2** - Sport Code Requirements
- **Appendix 3** - Parkfield Reserve Masterplan Community and Stakeholder Engagement Report

13 Appendix 1- Lighting Notes

Prepared by Martin Butcher Lighting Design

Night time Inspection done on Tuesday 28th November 2017

13.1 General Observation

- The velodrome is likely to be removed to suit enlargement of the oval.
- The existing cricket pavilion has perimeter 18W Vandalite type luminaires.
- No lighting of access road or site pathways beyond.
- Seemed little justification for lighting internal pathways as no night transit functions or declared passive use being encouraged.
- All park facilities have a street frontage and associated dedicated car parking.
- Likewise all appear to have their own electrical supplies.
- The 4 facilities being:
 - ✓ Cricket pavilion serviced off Dunblane Road with supply point at driveway entry via underground supply at Pole 34012.
 - ✓ Child Care Centre off Ellendale Road Pole 0631384
 - ✓ Tennis club also appearing to be supplied off Ellendale Road. Note there was a pole with a switchboard at the carpark area on Ellendale Road but expect this is disused as it contained no meter just a rewirable fuse-board.

✓ The Existing Scout hall – aerial supply in off Dunblane Road.

- Important to obtain titles to confirm right to retain separate supplies and reduce exposure to site electrical consolidation costs.
- 6 Tennis courts have 4 Courts lit with 'Elsco' EVR2 lights using 6 lights per court being the 2 courts each side of the clubrooms.
- Area where playground and hit up wall is located is very dark.
- Adjacent streets are only lit as minor roads. A speed hump outside the tennis club had a higher wattage 150W HPS streetlight used.
- Attend to lighting of each carpark to bring up to code AS 1158.3.1. typically category P11c.
- Justify any further lighting.
- Demolish and remove existing oval lights as part of any oval sports lighting upgrade as they are too low and inadequate in capacity.
- Anticipate 16 No 2Kw floodlights for a small size oval and a power supply upgrade / consolidation for 100 Lux sports lighting.

13.2 Supplementary Note – Property Titles

- Further to the above inspection, Council forwarded details of titles.

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- The information contained in email advice 14 December 2017 shows the reserve appears to exist across 9 unconsolidated residential size suburban land parcels noted by Council as lots 244-247 (4 lots) and 263-267 (5 lots) on plan of subdivision Vol 3900 Fol 963 LP 9370 all physically coalesced to form the existing reserve but without a consolidation of the land titles.
- The current situation makes future servicing requirements from the utilities unclear and can be anticipated to be a key factor prompting utility servicing review under any future electricity supply upgrade requests. A clear title overlay for the reserve is recommended to provide a clear basis for any future utility dealings.

14 Appendix 2 - Sports Code Requirements

14.1 Cricket Field Technical Specifications

Cricket pitch orientation is a key consideration for planning any playing field and should ideally be oriented along the north / south axis (where sun is at its highest) to avoid risk associated with bowlers or batsmen directly facing the low sun. It is recommended that the pitch be oriented no more than 10-15 degrees beyond the north/south axis.

The following technical specifications for cricket have been taken from the following website on 21st November 2018

<https://www.sportscourtdimensions.com/cricket/>

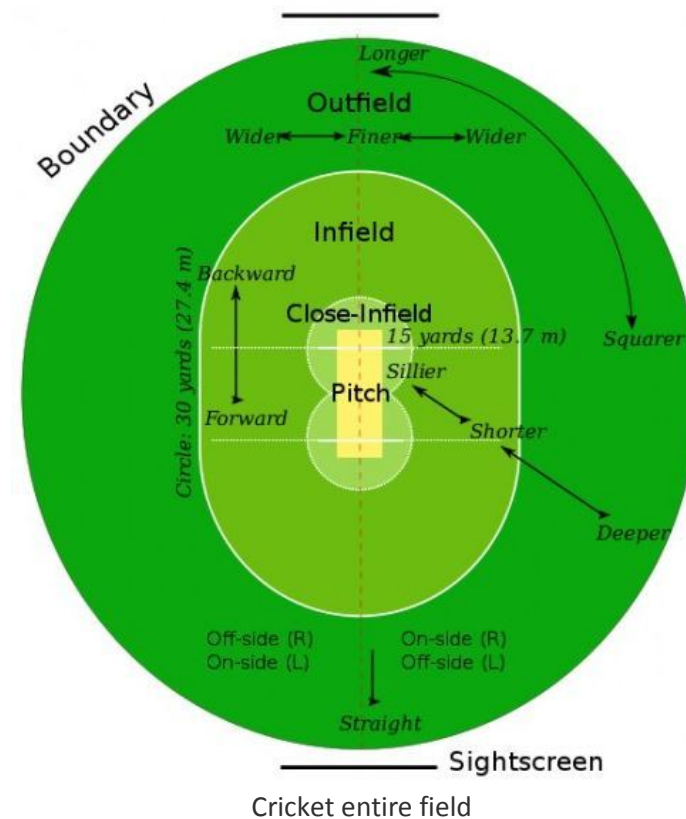
A typical cricket field is a large oval/elliptical shaped field with a rectangular strip at the centre. This rectangular strip at the centre of the field is the **pitch** where all the cricket actions takes place

The Field

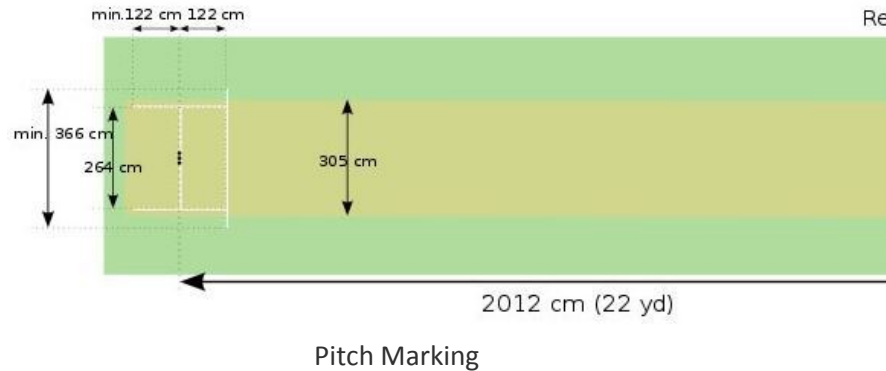
- There is no standard size of about how large is the playing area, but playing area with a low eccentricity field is prohibited.
- The playing area shall be a minimum of 150 yards (137.16 metres) from boundary to boundary square of the pitch, with the shorter of the two square boundaries being a minimum

65 yards (59.43 metres), according to Law 19.1 of ICC Test Match Conditions.

- The law also states that the straight boundary on both ends of the pitch are supposed to be no less than 70 yards (64.00 metres) in length. The centre of the pitch is the starting point for measurements.



The Cricket Pitch



Outlined in the table below are the preferred playing field dimensions set out by Cricket Australia for the different ages and levels of competition taken from the following website <http://premier.crickettas.com.au/files/1904/files/Community%20Cricket%20Facilities%20Guidelines.pdf> on 21st November 2018.

Cricket Australia has produced a resource to guide clubs and facility providers. The resource is titled “Community Cricket Facility Guidelines: Helping Local Communities Create Quality Cricket Facilities” and is available on the website.

LEVEL OF CRICKET COMPETITION	PREFERRED PLAYING FIELD DIMENSIONS	
	MINIMUM	RECOMMENDED
IN2CRICKET (AGES 5 TO 8)	25m	30m
Under 10	30m	40m
Under 12	40m	45m
Under 14	45m	50m
Under 16	45m	55m
Open Age (Community Club)	50m	60m
Premier/Regional	65m	75m

14.2 Soccer Field Technical Specifications

The following technical specifications for soccer playing fields have been taken from the Field Markings and Equipment: A guide to preparing your field for football, prepared by Football NSW found on the Football Federation Australia website, November 2018.

- FIFA recommendations for field dimension in professional soccer are 105 metres in length and 68 metres in width. Clubs are encouraged where possible to mark their fields in accordance with this standard. It is acceptable for the length to be between 100m – 110m and the width between 64-75 metres.
- There must be buffer zones between the field of play line marking and any advertising boards or perimeter fence. The minimum distance for a buffer zone from the touch line or

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goal line is 3 metres with the exception of the touch line on which side the technical area is located, which must extend 5 metres to allow for the team benches.

- Team benches in the technical area may be set back into the perimeter fence, resulting in the seating being in-line with the perimeter fence (ie 3 m buffer zone) and the back of the bench extending 2 metres beyond the perimeter fence.

The Technical Area must:

- Contain two (2) team benches, capable of seating nine (9) people in each bench
- Provide cover to protect the players and officials from the elements and missiles thrown by spectators
- Provide fixed seating in the team benches
- Provide identical fixtures for both teams
- Contain a table and chair for the 4th Official (should a 4th Official be appointed to any match)

Perimeter Fence

There must be a perimeter fence surrounding the entire field of play.

The perimeter fence must:

- Be located the required distance from the touch line and goal line as defined in the field of play dimensions
- Be at least one (1) metre in height
- Must be constructed of substantial material (i.e. cyclone wire). Plastic mesh and /or rope fences will not be permitted

14.3 Tennis Court Technical Specifications

The following technical specifications for tennis have been taken from the following website on 21st November 2018

[https://www.tennis.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/Court-and-](https://www.tennis.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/Court-and-Enclosure-Dimensions-2012.pdf)

[Enclosure-Dimensions-2012.pdf](https://www.sportscourtdimensions.com/cricket/) and from

<https://www.sportscourtdimensions.com/cricket/>

The dimensions of a tennis court are defined in the Rules of Tennis by the International Tennis Federation (ITF). Rule 1 defines the dimensions of a singles tennis court. Rule 34 defines the dimensions of the doubles tennis court.

- For practical purposes the vast majority of tennis courts are built to doubles dimensions, which allows for both singles and doubles.
- The ITF Rules also define that the width of all lines on the tennis court shall be a minimum of 2.5cm and a maximum of 5cm except the baseline, which may be 10cm, and the centre service lines and centre mark, which shall be 5cm.
- Courts should be oriented so that the sun inconveniences players as little as possible, with a north-south orientation preferred.
- For international standard tournaments the overall area required is defined, dependent upon the event. However, at club or recreational level, some suggested dimensions are given. As a guide the recommended minimum distances should be: the space behind each baseline 5.48 metres (18ft) and the space at the sides 3.05 metres (10ft).

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Service lines on both halves of the courts should be drawn 21 feet (6.40 metres) from the net. These lines should be parallel with the net. Getting the midpoint of the service line, a line is drawn across the net until it reaches the service line midpoint on the other side of the court, and this line signifies the centre service lines

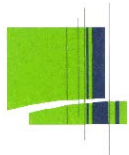
- Each baseline is divided into two and marked by a centre mark, a 4-inches (10-centimetre) long line drawn from the baseline. Its width should be 2 inches (5 centimetre)
- The other lines of the court shall be between 1 inch (2.5 cm) and 2 inches (5 cm) wide, except that the baselines may be up to 4 inches (10 cm) wide.
- All court measurements should be made outside of the lines

Court Dimensions	Club / Recreation	ITF (e.g. Pro Tour, Davis/Fed Cup Zonal ties)*	Stadium Court (e.g. Davis/Fed Cup World Group ties)*
Total Area	34.77m x 17.07m	36.6m x 18.3m	40.23m x 20.11m
Run-off at back of court	5.48m	6.4m	8.23m
Run off at side of court to fence	3.05m	3.66m	4.57m
Minimum distance between two courts (unfenced)	3.66m	5.48m	n/a
a Recommended distance between two courts	4.27m	n/a	n/a

15 Appendix 3 – Community and Stakeholders Engagement Report

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1 INTRODUCTION

This report provides a detailed summary of the community engagement process undertaken and the community feedback in the preparation of the draft Parkfield Reserve Master Plan. The consultation process was informed by Council's Community Engagement Policy and Framework.

Council has a park master plan programme which is a rolling program where master plans are prepared for identified parks and reserves across the municipality. In 2017/2018 four master plans are being developed of which the Parkfield Reserve master plan is one. The master plans guide the future development of the reserve over at least a 10 year period and inform Council's capital works and maintenance programs. Genuine and effective community engagement is a critical component in the preparation of the master plans to ensure the development and priorities identified through the master plans are reflective of the community needs and desires.

A range of methods were used to engage the community in the future planning of Parkfield Reserve. The engagement process and outcomes are outlined in Section 4 this report.

2 SITE DESCRIPTION

Parkfield Reserve is approximately 4.1 ha and has a sports focus park with the oval, cycling track and the tennis courts being the predominant use of the park area. There are scattered mature trees around the perimeter of the park. Ellendale Kindergarten is located in the north eastern corner, whilst the Scout Hall is in the south western corner.

3 MASTER PLAN OBJECTIVES

The preparation of the master plan had the following objectives which have been taken from the project brief.

3.1 General Master Plan Objectives

- The design vision should integrate the recreation, sports, facilities, leisure, environmental, economic, cultural, and community activities.
- Retain its role as a district multi-purpose park that provides for a broad range of passive and active recreational pursuits.
- The vision should be rigorous and also provide sufficient flexibility to cater for a range of actions and uses depending on circumstances and opportunities as they arise.
- Development of a park that respects the 'openness' of the reserve but provides nodes that work hard to provide a higher level of activity and multi-purpose facilities to service the diverse community needs and growing population.
- It will be recognised as a high-quality park with an emphasis on design excellence in terms of landscape, sports provision and built form.
- Responds to the identified growing population of Noble Park, in relation to its proximity to the Noble Park Activity Centre and the residential 'Substantial' (RGZ) and 'Incremental' (GRZ) change areas.
- Reflects the local community ideas and aspirations, as an outcome of the community consultation process.
- To promote youth friendly design catering for emerging children's and teenage activities, as well as the needs of diverse age groups.

- To design solutions using “Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design Principles” (CPTED) to improve public safety and visibility.

3.2. Sports Clubs and Grounds, Building Infrastructure and Community Facilities

- Review and provide recommendations for the Noble Park Tennis Club in terms of a potential footprint expansion and interfaces with the park etc.
- Prepare a summary of the existing reserve building uses, their role and a high-level assessment of the building’s suitability for long term development in association with the future role of sporting clubs and community uses.
- To provide for integrated amenities and services such as public amenities block (including disabled and baby change).
- Provide recommendations on suitable locations for supporting infrastructure, i.e. power supply and water.
- Undertake a capacity analysis of Parkfield Reserve to cater for a range of major sports facilities which cater for a range of sporting codes and which have an identified demand. (i.e. Soccer & Cricket), or the expansion of a particular game. For example: Soccer’s small sided games, 5 a side or Futsal.
- Provide an assessment of the existing oval and its capacity to provide multi use flexibility (synthetic and grass considerations) and cater for competition grade, training and senior and junior use.
- Identify opportunities for the tennis courts or area to provide additional complementary sports uses such as netball, basketball, volleyball etc.
- Audit and provide recommendations on options for sports ground lighting to enable use for night time training.
- Areas for smaller scale community or cultural sports / games, informal passive recreational areas.
- Provide recommendations on boundary fencing, rationalising infrastructure such as signage and bollards.

3.3. Passive Recreation and Other Facilities

- Areas suitable for larger community gatherings such as BBQ and picnic areas.
- Provide recommendations on the existing playground.

3.4. Movement, Access and Car Parking

- To identify the key issues and develop options relating to vehicle movement, access and parking to and from the reserve.
- To develop a car park precinct(s) design for Parkfield Reserve that considers both existing and future development options and future demand.
- To provide for an integrated pedestrian and shared bicycle path network.

3.5. Flooding and Drainage

- Strongly consider the oval and its role in flood retardation and where practical, incorporates and takes advantage of natural / drainage features.

3.6. Environment, Landscape Design and Sustainability

- To protect and enhance any existing natural values within the site.
- To identify and highlight existing mature trees and significant vegetation that should be retained where possible.
- To substantially increase the tree canopy cover across the park.

3.7. Implementation Plan

- To develop an implementation strategy, with opinion of probable costs which allows for the park to be upgraded or redeveloped in coordinated stages over the next 15 years.
- To provide initiatives which are achievable in the short, medium and longer term.
- To ensure that the master plan is comprehensive and able to be easily used for funding submissions from external authorities.
- To develop a park design that is sensitive to the limited ongoing resources of Council's capital, operations and park maintenance budgets.

4 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS AND OUTCOMES

A range of methods were used to engage with the community in relation to the future development of Parkfield Reserve including:

- The City Magazine Article (Dec 2017-Jan 2018 Edition)
- OurSay – Stage 1 and Email submission
- Engagement with the Sporting Clubs
- Postcards and Posters (prior to the draft masterplan)
- OurSay – Stage2 and Email submission
- The City Magazine Article (Feb 2018 Edition)
- The Drop-in Session at the park
- Development of the Draft Masterplan
- Posters and Display of the Draft Masterplan
- OurSay – Stage3 and Email submission
- Consultation with Bicycle Organisation

4.1. The City Magazine Article (Dec 2017- Jan 2018 Edition) and Social Media

The promotion of this project started with a general article explaining about how Council valued the importance of parks and open spaces and why Council was about to undertake the park masterplan project. This article was featured in The City magazine (Dec 17-Jan18 edition) that went out to all residents in the municipality with 'watch the space' message for the upcoming park masterplan consultation. This was also followed by Council's social media posts.

4.2. OurSay – Stage 1

Council provided an opportunity for the community to comment on the parks and open space in the City of Greater Dandenong (CGD) in general through the online survey; OurSay-Stage1 that was open for general public comments during 15 Dec 2017 until 15 Jan 2018.

The OurSay – Stage 1 was built around two main general questions including "How you currently use our park?" and "What would make you want to visit them more?" This was deliberately targeted to

a broader audience to provide a broad database that could be used to establish a general design and ideas framework when commencing consultation on each of the four park master plans.

Number of responses

The table below identifies the number of people engaged, the number of ideas presented and the number of comment and votes for the ideas people presented through this OurSay – Stage 1 survey.

Number of engaged	Number of ideas	Number of comments	Number of votes	Idea views
38	32	8	60	438

Email Submission	1 email
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During OurSay – Stage 1, 38 people engaged, with 32 ideas put forward with 8 comments and 60 votes received on those ideas. The forum pages were viewed by 438 times.

OurSay – Stage 1 key theme

The key themes coming from the broad consultation undertaken in OurSay - Stage 1 are summarised in the table below:

Theme	No of combined comments and or votes
Playgrounds – including all ages, sensory, adventure	22
Café in parks	18
More trees	18
Adult Fitness Station	11
Provision of toilets	11
Tables/seating	5
Passive recreation	4
Shade	4
Paths	4
Map of parks	2
Artwork	2
Visitor book	2
Update velodrome	2
Parking	2
Wild areas	2
Possum nesting boxes	2

As can be seen the quality and diversity of playground experiences was the area commented on most with combined 22 comments and votes received about this. The next most combined comments and votes on themes were having cafés in parks and more trees with 18, fitness stations and toilets with 11, tables/seating with 5, passive recreation, shade and paths with 4 and all other themes receiving combined 2 comments and votes.

As this consultation was broad, only the general comments applicable or related to Parkfield Reserve have been included into Appendix 1.

4.3. User Group Consultation with the existing Sport Clubs

A consultation meeting was held on Saturday 9 December 2017 with representatives from the Noble Park Tennis Club and Parkfield Cricket Club. A phone consultation was held with a representative of the Noble Park United Soccer Club.

Noble Park Tennis Club

The club lease the facilities from the City of Greater Dandenong with the lease expiring in 2018. The club have six synthetic clay courts. The building is approximately 50 years old. The club is financial with approximately \$5-6K surplus which they use for court and pavilion maintenance.

Membership

Membership over the last three years has been in decline with the following membership recorded.

- 2013 – 132 members
- 2014 – 127 members
- 2015 – 120 members
- 2016 – 80 members
- 2017 - 75 members
- Current – 40 members as it is only the start of the tennis season. It is expected to increase to about 100 members by February 2019.

Currently there are 8 junior teams, 1 hot shots team and 2 senior teams.

The club is part of the recently implemented “Book a Court program” and over the last two months has had an average of 17 casual uses of the court per month.

The courts are used by the club as follows:

- Monday night – fast four social competition
- Wednesday morning – midweek ladies
- Saturday morning and afternoon – interclub competition
- Sunday morning – social competition
- A coach uses the courts after school on Tuesday’s – Friday’s.

Other Users

- The Kindergarten located within the reserve use the courts occasionally.
- Nazareth Secondary College use the courts during Term 1 and 4 and pay \$40 per session.
- Melbourne Body Corporate regularly hire the clubrooms for meetings.
- B and D Sarajevo Group also use the clubrooms one night a week.

Facility Requirements

- New fencing – some stays are no longer in the ground
- Access to courts needs to be wider to allow court maintenance equipment to access the courts.
- Current clubrooms have very poor functionality. Note: The building is considered as part of the Sports Facilities Plan – Implementation Plan 2018.
- Seats and shade required on east side of courts for spectators.
- Hot shot, orange ball courts smaller.

Comments from the Noble Park Tennis Club at the Drop-in Session

- Agree that cricket nets need replacement.
- Retain velodrome, good for walking
- More pressure needed in the drinking fountain tap at the South East end of the tennis courts.
- If new club house is developed jointly for tennis and cricket clubs the tennis club would like to see the site of the existing club house used to develop Hot Shot orange ball courts for junior tennis development.

Parkfield Cricket Club

There is good cultural diversity in the cricket club particularly in the women's team. There are good synergies between the cricket and the tennis club.

Membership

- The club is on an upwards trend fielding seven senior teams (including one female team). This compares to four senior teams, two years ago.
 - 2013 – 94 members
 - 2014 – 114 members
 - 2015 – 113 members
 - 2016 – 136 members
 - 2017 – 123 members
 - Current – 237 members
- The club also have an under 11 and under 17 junior teams. The club cover all costs for juniors including the provision of equipment.
- The club would like to attract more juniors and plan to proactively work with local schools in the future.

Facilities

- The original clubrooms do not comply with Football Federation Victoria, Cricket Victoria guidelines and Councils' Sports Facilities Plan and are high priority on Council's Sports Facilities Plan – Implementation Plan 2018.
- Club would like to field more female teams, however the pavilion cannot accommodate them
- The cricket club and tennis club are open to the possibility of co-location in a new facility.
- The cricket nets are very poor and need to be relocated. There are to be no run ups on the playing surface.
- Ideally have a turf practice wicket (turf table for 3-4 practice wickets), however this is outside Council Policy.
- Cricket nets and bowlers run up clash with walking path.
- The shed with roller used for club's winter storage.
- Remove the velodrome
- Outfield is kikuyu grass. Slow outfield (the ball slows rapidly due to the spongy soft grass)
- Opportunity to formalise the car park near the pavilion and install lighting in the car park.

Comments from Parkfield Cricket Club at the Drop-in Session

- The park is well used by residents and many walk/cycle along the path.

- The tennis hit up wall is heavily used by the broader community for cricket and soccer.
- The installation of fitness stations would be good.
- Future of the scout hall is to be determined. Appears as though there are no regular users.

Noble Park United Soccer Club

They have a good relationship with the cricket club though sometimes it is difficult to share the facilities.

Membership

- The club is on an upwards trend
 - 2013 – (no data available)
 - 2014 – 265 members
 - 2015 – 110 members
 - 2016 – 80 members
 - 2017 – 200 members
 - Current - 205 members
- The club fielded 2 senior teams and 3 junior teams.
- They would like to field a female team but have not yet been successful at attracting females to the club.

Facilities

- The change rooms are too small
- The change rooms are not female friendly
- More car parking is required as on match day there is often more than 200 people in attendance

4.4. Postcards and Posters (prior to the draft masterplan)

Council prepared generic and specific consultation posters and postcards inviting people to attend the Drop-in Session and/ or to have their say about the four district parks subject to this master planning process. If the community could not attend the drop in session, then their comments could also be provided through OurSay – Stage2 survey, email or phone. These generic and specific posters and postcards were promoted to the public and residents during late Jan- mid March 2018.

The generic postcards were placed or made available at the following event/ locations:

- Australia Day event on 26 Jan 2018 at the Dandenong Park.
- Posters and postcards were placed at the Dandenong Library and Dandenong Civic Centre.

The specific Parkfield Reserve poster and postcard were promoted via the following means or made available at the following locations:

- Letter drop box to properties within the 1km catchment of the corresponding park occurred during late Jan- early Feb 2018 (2 weeks prior to the Drop-in Session)
- The Parkfield Reserve poster and postcard were placed at the Paddy O' Donoghue Centre (Noble Park) and Parkfield Reserve sport club rooms (Cricket/ Soccer and Tennis pavilion)
- 3x A1 sized posters displayed at multiple entry points of the park.

4.5. OurSay -Stage 2 and Email submission

The OurSay -Stage 2 forum was on Council’s website from 22 January – 18 March 2018. Like in the OurSay – Stage1, the consultation was built around the same two broad questions including “How you currently use our park?” and “What would make you want to visit them more?” However, this time it was asked in the context that related to the specific attributes of Parkfield Reserve for which the masterplan was being prepared.

Number of responses

The table below identifies the number of people engaged, the number of ideas presented and the number of comments and votes received for the ideas people presented through this OurSay – Stage2 survey as well as the number of email submission received through the ‘futureofparks’ email inbox during the same period of time.

Number of engaged	Number of ideas	Number of comments	Number of votes	Idea views
11	6	3	12	33

Email Submission	1 email
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During the OurSay – Stage2 survey, 11 people engaged in the consultation, with 6 ideas put forward and 3 comments and 12 votes received for those ideas. The forum pages were viewed 33 times. And in addition to the OurSay – Stage 2 responses there were another 1 email submission received through the ‘futureofpark’ email inbox, which added the total number of people engaged to 12 people.

OurSay – Stage2 key themes

The key themes coming from the consultation undertaken in OurSay –Stage 2 and Email responses are summarised in the table below with the full comments in Appendix 2.

Theme	No of combined comments and votes
Redevelop cycling track	7
Update sporting facilities	7
Remove velodrome	5
Promote the reserve	4
Artwork	4
More trees	4
Playgrounds – including all ages, teenagers	3
Path	3
BBQ, tables/seating	3
Parking	3
Drinking fountain	2

Of the comments and/ or votes that were received during OurSay –Stage 2 and Email submission, 7 combined comments and votes were interested in redeveloping the cycling track and updating of the sporting facilities each, 5 combined comments and votes were interested in having the cycling track removed, 4 combined comments and votes received in regard to the promotion of the reserve, installation artwork, more trees, paths, 3 combined comments and votes were interested in

improved playground and picnic areas, BBQ tables/ seating and improved carpark, and 2 combined comments and votes received in regard more drinking fountains.

4.6. The City Magazine Article (Feb 2018 Edition) and Social Media

The second article in the City magazine was featured in the February edition to promote the OurSay – Stage 2 survey as well as to invite people to the Drop-in sessions at the park. This was also followed by Council’s social media posts.

4.7. The Drop-in Session at the park

The drop –in session was held on Saturday 17 February 2018 between 1.00pm-4.00pm at the Parkfield Reserve to provide an opportunity for any residents to comment and guide the future development of the master plan. A Councillor, 15 residents and a Council Officer made comments. However, for the purpose of the overall summary ‘public’ consultation the Councillor and Council Officer comments have been excluded from the equation.

A representative of the Noble Park Tennis Club and Parkfield Cricket Club attended the pop up consultation. However, comments made by these representatives on this Drop-in session have been included in the previous sections of user group consultation; Noble Park Tennis Club and Parkfield Cricket Club.

Detailed Themes during the Drop-in Session

Community Members

Resident 1

- The area near the playground is a gathering place for a number of Seikh men – often older men. It would be good to have more seating and shade/shelter near the playground.

Resident 2

- Existing play space is limited, needs shade. Daughter rides bike and uses the velodrome.

Resident 3

- Play space needs more shade. There should be barbecue units in the park.
- If the velodrome is removed there would need to have a circuit path in lieu.

Resident 4

- The velodrome is good for people to walk around.
- Play space only appealing for preschool children. Climbing/ skills needed for older children.
- Potential garden, wildflower garden.

Resident 5

- Round table with seating, with a shade cover, to enable picnic with grandchildren.
- Barbecue unit would be good.
- Insufficient seating in the park.
- Shelters a good idea where there is seating.

Resident 6

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- Cyclist and son. Velodrome should be kept as we use regularly. Safer to ride on velodrome than it is on the streets. There is a family atmosphere in this area. Nearest velodrome is at Edithvale Recreation Reserve. Builds communities. Not many bike paths in the Noble Park area. It's a good alternative to the skate park.

Resident 7

- Parkfield Reserve is a park to relax after work etc. A place to re-group. Good park for community events.

Resident 8 & 9

- Two tennis boys. Hit cricket balls from the rebound wall into the tennis courts.

Resident 10

- The rebound wall is intensively used particularly for cricket. More space is needed around the area for casual cricket/fielders. The rebound wall is regularly vandalised with graffiti. Kudos to Council for prompt removal of graffiti.

Resident 11

- Lady with grandchildren. Play space is limited. Requested a basketball half court key. More seating. Dogs need drinking water.

Resident 12

- Don't touch the big tree.

Resident 13

- More seating around the park.

Resident 14

- Would like the playground to stay where it is.

Resident 15

- Strengthen the rebound wall.
- Repair the velodrome. Many people use it to walk around and ride their bikes on.
- The playground needs to be more exciting.

Summary of Drop-in Session key themes

The key themes from residents attending the pop up event are outlined below:

- Retain the velodrome x 3
- Make the playground more exciting including activities for older children x5
- More seating around the park x 4 (particularly near the playground)
- The rebound wall is well used and needs strengthening x 3
- More shade near playground x 4
- If velodrome removed install a circuit path x 1

4.8. Development of the Draft Masterplan

The consultation feedback up until this point was used to prepare the assessment of merit table (shown in the Appendix 4) which outlines all of the key ideas to be considered prior to the preparation of the draft masterplan. This assessment merit table was used by the design team to

further inform the development of the draft masterplan that was subject to the following OurSay – Stage 3 consultation.

The exhibited draft of Parkfield Reserve masterplan is included in Appendix 5.

4.9. Posters and Display of the Draft Masterplans

Following the preparation of the draft master plan, a series of posters of the draft master plan were exhibited during 11 July – 17 Aug 2018 to seek community comment and feedback on the draft master plan.

The posters and the draft masterplans were displayed as follows:

- 3x A1 size posters of the draft Parkfield Reserve masterplan were displayed at the multiple entry points and highly trafficked paths of the parks
- A3 size generic posters and the draft masterplan of the four parks were displayed at the Dandenong Library and Springvale Library,
- A3 size posters and draft masterplan of the four parks were displayed at Council’s customer service counters at Dandenong Civic Centre, Springvale, Parkmore Shopping Centre (Keysborough) and Paddy O’Donoghue Centre (Noble Park).

The poster included the OurSay link and the email address where people were invited to provide feedback on the draft masterplans through OurSay – Stage 3, email submission or phone.

4.10. OurSay – Stage 3 and Email submission on the Draft Masterplan

The City of Greater Dandenong Council provided an opportunity for the community to provide further feedback and comment about the draft master plan for Parkfield Reserve through the OurSay – Stage 3, email response, and phone. The consultation was built around the three questions including “Tell us if you support the plan? If not, why not? ”, and “If you do, what your top three priorities from the ideas listed on the plan?” This online survey was open for public comments on the OurSay – Stage 3 platform during 11 July – 17 August 2018.

An email notification with the link to the OurSay – Stage 3 survey and Council’s ‘futureofparks’ email address were also sent to all respondents from the OurSay-Stage 1 and Stage2 survey and the previous email submitters. Council officer also contacted representatives of the Sporting Clubs to seek their further feedback on the draft masterplan.

Number of responses

The table below identifies the number of people engaged, the number of ideas presented and the number of votes for the ideas people presented.

Number of engaged	Number of ideas	Number of comments	Number of votes	Idea views
40	20	14	77	438

Email Submission	2 emails including 1 email from the Tennis Club
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During this OurSay – Stage3, 40 people were engaged raised 20 ideas and 14 comments and 77 votes were received on those raised ideas. The forum pages were viewed 438 times. In addition to that

during this same period of time 2 persons submit an email including one repeated comment from the OurSay – Stage3 and another one from the Noble Park Tennis Club.

OurSay – Stage 3 key themes

The key themes and number of residents supporting each theme featured on the draft master plan during OurSay – Stage 3 are summarised in the table below.

Themes	No of combined comments and votes
Redevelop velodrome	72
Support for new pavilion	13
Support for development of tennis facilities	13
Remove velodrome	11
Support for development of cricket/soccer facilities	3
Support for walking path	2
Keep old pavilion in addition to new pavilion	2
Increased car parking	2
Support for new multipurpose cricket nets	1
No deciduous trees near tennis courts	1
Question of need for second soccer pitch	1

A number of people expressed their desire to retain the cycling track more than once. However, these repeated comments have only been counted once where it was from the same person.

As can be seen, the majority of those who participated in the OurSay – Stage3 were keen to retain and redevelop the cycling track with 72 combined comments and votes in favour of retaining the cycling track, 11 of those commenting and voting wanted to remove the cycling track, 13 combined comments and votes received in favour of the new pavilion and supporting the improved tennis facilities, and 3 combined comments and votes received in support of the development of cricket and soccer, 2 combined comments and votes was made in relation to supporting for walking paths, retaining the old pavilion in addition to the new pavilion, and increased car parking. And one person comments on supporting for new cricket nets and the desire for no deciduous trees near the tennis courts and queried the need for a second soccer pitch.

A full summary of the relevant comments is included in Appendix 3.

4.11. Consultation with Bicycle Organisations

Bicycle Network Victoria

Due to no official local cycling club existing in Noble Park, no consultation was undertaken with any official cyclist representative group. However, Council Officer engaged Bicycle Network Victoria (BNV) on 22 August 2018 to seek their view on the Parkfield Reserve’s cycling track as outlined below.

The Bicycle Network Victoria’s advice and views are summarised below:

- BNV does not see the Parkfield Reserve’s cycling track upgrade as a high priority action as there are other higher priorities actions in the City of Greater Dandenong for bike riding;

- Their membership have not raised any concern with the removal of the Parkfield Reserve’s cycling track;
- BNV believe that there are a significant amount of bike trails/ facilities currently available to the community and with more to be completed as part of the Caulfield to Dandenong rail trail. They do not see that Parkfield Reserve’s cycling track as a highly important facility as it is not linked to any existing and new bicycle trails in the vicinity.
- Velodrome’s are generally a focus for competition. Thus, Cycling Victoria is the relevant authority for these. Nevertheless, BNV believes that Cycling Victoria’s priority is on strategically located and high quality facilities and they prefer not to keep older style facilities that are falling apart, particularly when there is no demand from any official bike club.

Cycling Victoria

In addition to the above, Council Officer also contacted Cycling Victoria on the 02 October 2018 to seek their views on the technical specification for competitive velodrome facilities and how the Parkfield Reserve’s cycling track fits into this velodrome category.

- Cycling Victoria indicated that for the construction of velodromes in Australia they use the international governing bodies (UCI Cycling) regulations, as there are no other regulations specific to Victoria or Australia. The only exception to this (internationally) is that there are more specific requirements for Olympic standard venues.
- Apart from the series of technical requirements applicable to the standard construction of the velodrome, the UCI regulation also has very specific guidance about what type of use can and cannot be adhered to the inside track infrastructure.

Based on this engagement with Cycling Victoria it is understood that the existing cycling track in Parkfield Reserve would not fit into the competitive velodrome category and would not comply with the UCI regulations.

5 SUMMARY AND WAY FORWARD

5.1. Summary of Consultation

Overall number of responses and engagements

Below is a table that summarises the number of people who engaged during the entire consultation process. As can be seen, Stage 1 had the greatest number of people engaged as this was broad consultation about parks in general. Stage 2 had the least number engaged which related to specific input prior to the development of the master plan. Stage 3 had significant involvement due to the possible loss of a community facility.

Type of Engagement	No of responses	No of People and No of Engagement
OurSay - Stage1 (All Parks) and Email submission	438 views 60 votes 32 ideas	38 engaged

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	1 email	1 engaged
User Group Consultation	5 representatives from the three clubs	5 engaged
OurSay - Stage 2 and Email submission	33 views 12 votes 6 ideas 3 comments 1 email	11 engaged 1 engaged
Drop- in Session	15 residents	15 engaged
OurSay - Stage3 and Email submission	438 views 77 votes 20 ideas 14 comments 2 emails (1 duplicate)	40 engaged 2 engaged
Correspondence with Bicycle Organisation	2 representatives from two cycling bodies	2 engaged
Total engagement during the entire process		115 engaged

Overall consultation - key theme (removal of the cycling track)

The most controversial component of the draft master plan was the removal of the cycling track which saw a strong opposition from 11 out of 21 people engaged from OurSay –Stage 3 platform.

Prior to the development of the draft master plan, the cycling track upgrade was raised by 3 out of 15 people during the drop-in session, and 3 out of 9 people during OurSay –Stage2 and email submission. And one person specifically commented on the Parkfield Reserve cycling track upgrade during the OurSay – Stage 1 general park consultation.

Overall the opposition to the removal of the cycling track were raised by 19 out of 92 people engaged during the entire consultation process (see table below). Or when excluding the OurSay – Stage1 general park consultation it was raised by 18 out of 53 people engaged during the specific Parkfield Reserve community consultation.

The table below shows the number of people support and opposed the removal of the cycling track in the context of the overall number of responses.

	Support for the removal of the cycling track	Talk about other matters and/ or support the draft masterplan	Oppose to the removal of the cycling track	Total engaged
Stage 1	0	37 people	1 people	38 people
Stage 1 email		1		1 people
User group consultation	2	2	1	5 people
Stage 2	2 people	4 people	2 people	8 people
Stage 2 email			1	1 people

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Drop-in Session	1	11	3	15 people
Stage 3 (post draft MP)	6 people	4 people	11 people	21 people
Stage 3 email		1	1 (duplicate)	1 people
Correspondence with Bicycle Organisation	1	1		2 people
Total	12 people	61 people	19 people	92 people

Overall consultation - other key themes

The other ideas which received support were the upgrade of sporting facilities including a new consolidated sports pavilion, additional soccer and tennis facilities. There was also community support for a walking track, fitness stations and improved playground.

5.2. Way Forward

Council's and Design Team Response post to OurSay – Stage3

In response the OurSay – Stage 3 (Exhibited Draft Masterplan) outcome, two masterplan options for the future development of Parkfield Reserve have been subsequently prepared.

- *Refined Exhibited Draft Masterplan/ Option A – two full sized soccer fields, enlargement of the cricket ground (to accommodate run off), removal of the cycling track and construction of an interpretative sign for honouring the Maurice Kirby legacy, construction of a loop of shared walking and cycling path and construction of a new two-storey shared pavilion for the three sports club. This masterplan option would require Council's investment of an approximately \$ 11 million in the next 5-10 year time.*
- *Alternative new Masterplan/ Option B – retention and upgrade of the cycling track with a single senior soccer field infill, removal of the cricket ground and cricket practice net, construction of a loop of walking path and construction of a new single-storey tennis pavilion. This masterplan option would require Council's investment of an approximately \$ 4 million in the next 5-10 year time.*

The refined draft of Parkfield Reserve masterplan Option A and Option B are included in Appendix 6A and 6B. And their opinion probable costs of those two options are included in the Appendix 7A and 7B.

Pros and Cons of the two masterplan options

During the preparation of the two draft masterplan options, the pros and cons of the two masterplan options were considered as elaborated below.

Pros and Cons of Removing the Cycling Track (Masterplan - Option A)

Pros of Option A

- A compliant cricket oval (meeting the Cricket Australia Standard)
- 2x full-size complaint senior soccer pitches
- Facilitate increasing participation in soccer and cricket by the local community

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- A new consolidated pavilion building for the three existing sporting clubs
- A new shared walking and cycling track
- Remove safety conflicts between sporting activities
- Tree protection zone for the significant gum tree located on Dunblane Road
- Improved sightlines throughout the reserve
- Additional car parking spaces

Cons of Option A

- Loss of existing cycling track
- Removal of three existing trees at the south east quadrant of the reserve to accommodate the new cricket practice nets
- Additional car parking demand during soccer competition day, although this will be offset by additional car parking on site

Pros and Cons of Retaining the Cycling Track (Masterplan - Option B)

Pros of Option B

- Retention of the existing cycling track (with resurfacing required) albeit it is limited for recreational cycling only
- Retains the only circular cycling track in the Greater Dandenong, thus providing a venue for recreational cycling for the locals and the broader cyclists in this region
- Retains the diversity of recreational cycling facilities and experience currently available to Noble Park's residents
- Retains the legacy of Maurice Kirby
- Cost saving associates with the following:
 - o Not requiring the formative earthworks associated with the construction of the second soccer field, removal of the cycling track and levelling works
 - o Not requiring retaining walls to the south west corner of the second soccer field
 - o A single-storey new pavilion with a smaller footprint as to only accommodate the facility for the tennis club
 - o Not requiring to relocate the two southern tennis court and the tennis pavilion
 - o Not requiring car park extension
- Avoid the removal of three mature trees located on the south east quarter of the reserve associated with the construction of new cricket practice net in the Option A

Cons of Option B

- The oval has the dimensions of approximately 117 meters in diameter at its east-west shortest point (status quo), which is 13 metres less than the cricket ground with the two full sized soccer pitches (Option A – 130m). Cricket Australia standards for Open Age Community include the following requirements:
 - o A minimum of 100m diameter or a recommended of 120m diameter for the playing field, and additional run-off of 4 metres (per side) is required to the fence line from the boundary (adding up to a minimum 108 or a recommended total 128m)
 - o A buffer distance of between 20m to 40m from boundaries is preferable to reduce risk and increase park user and property safety

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- Based on the above, retaining the existing cycling track would result in the tenant cricket club (Parkfield Cricket Club) needing to move to another reserve due to the non-compliance cricket oval size to the Cricket Australia standards. This means less opportunity for participation in cricket by the local community than otherwise facilitated by Option A
- Only one senior soccer pitch with its run-off in an approximately 19 degree angle (of counter clock wise) could be accommodated within the existing oval at any particular time. This means less opportunity for participation in soccer by the local community than otherwise facilitated by Option A
- Soccer lighting may not reach sufficient LUX levels or may have some “dead spots” as the light towers are still outside of the cycling track
- The cycling track reduces the functionality and versatility of use of the infill sports oval including:
 - o Access to the playing field from the pavilion is not ideal due to walking down to the oval through the existing cycling track is considered hazardous
 - o Safety conflicts relating to possibility of soccer balls hitting cyclists and pedestrians using the cycling track during soccer matches and practice sessions
 - o To address the above the use of infill sports oval must be limited outside the booked hours of the cycling track usage and vice versa
- Without a complete redesign and reconstruction the improved cycling track remains unsuitable for cycling competition. The existing cycling track condition does not meet the requirements for cycling competition (UCI Cycling). And even with the possible improved resurfacing the angle and the inside track condition will not meet the competition ‘velodrome’ standards. Thus the improved cycling track would remain at best only suitable for recreational use
- Cost associated with the resurfacing the cycling track and potential reconstruction of the sub-grade (foundation) that is unknown without further investigation
- The cycling track reduces lines of sight within the reserve due to the raised angled cycling track
- The potential increased cycling activities remain uncertain as no official local cycling club exist in the local area and based on the current low demand use for the cycling track
- Less opportunity for a healthy root system to the large Yarra Gum tree located on Dunblane due to the associated sub-grade (foundation) required for the cycling track upgrade

Recommendations and Way Forward for the Development of the Parkfield Reserve Masterplan

With the above pros and cons analysis the consultant design team and the working group recommend the following way forward in the development of Parkfield Reserve masterplan and the community engagement response:

- If Councillors support the Option A masterplan, then Council can adopt this refined draft masterplan and a public notification can be done in accordance with Council’s Media and Communication Policy to advise submitters of this community engagement outcome.
- If Councillors support the Option B masterplan, then Council needs to undertake further consultation to give an opportunity to public particularly the supporter of the exhibited masterplan Option A to view and comment on this alternative masterplan option.

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APPENDIX 1 – OurSay-Stage1 Consolidated Comments

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Type	Name	Content	Votes	Key Theme
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	Barbeque facilities and bench seating.	0	<i>BBQ facilities</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	More trees and perhaps even vegetables patches or fruit trees.	2	<i>More trees</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>CoGD</i>	More shade trees at all parks. This would not only create a more natural environment but would also provide more areas for social gatherings.	10	<i>More trees</i>
<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident</i>	With the newer parks it's going to take a long time for any planted trees to mature to a state that they are actually providing quality shade. This makes shade structures a necessity.	0	<i>Shade structures</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>CoGD</i>	More spaces for passive recreation activities, such as walking paths and open grassed areas. - community feedback provided by user groups	0	<i>Passive recreation/paths</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>CoGD</i>	Local parks are a great place to explore the great outdoors and can be seen as an extension of your backyard. There's a rising popularity of fitness stations and adventure playgrounds in parks across Melbourne. It would be great to see new equipment for a variety of uses popping up in our parks. - community feedback provided by user groups	4	<i>Fitness Stations/adventure play</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	Have a park with a cafe attached in Greater Dandenong. For example, Pioneer Park in Berwick.	12	<i>Café</i>
<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident</i>	I agree with suggestion for a café		<i>Cafe</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	A comprehensive map of where parks are situated within the CGD area and what they include. Encourage sustainable practices in our parks and open spaces. Replace all the river red gums that have been removed because of LXRA works! Use the stored timber as art installations.	0	<i>Map of parks, artwork</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	A park with more shaded areas etc big trees that will provide more suitable areas for picnic.	0	<i>Shade</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	Teenagers need to be factored into the strategy. This age group needs are currently missing from current strategy.	0	<i>Provision for teenagers</i>

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Type	Name	Content	Votes	Key Theme
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	Teen girls need to be considered. They have different needs to males of the same age. The space needs to integrate the needs of both within close proximity.	0	<i>Provision for teenagers</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	Provision of toilets. Also BBQs to use, climbing and interactive play for kids, along with open space with goals, for footy & soccer. Parks within walking distance to everyone. Concrete pathways for kids to safely learn to cycle their bikes.	3	<i>Toilets, bbq, paths</i>
<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident</i>	Provision of toilets		<i>Toilets</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	More numeracy and literacy elements across our parks. It could be as simple as Abc, numbers and measurements stencils on footpaths.	0	<i>Numeracy & Literacy elements</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	More nature play elements to improve gross motor skills such as balancing, climbing etc.	6	<i>Nature play elements</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	Adult exercise equipment	4	<i>Fitness Stations</i>
<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident</i>	Lots of different types in a close proximity. So you don't have to be super fit to be able to run the full course.		<i>Fitness Stations</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	Maps digital or sign boards to encourage further active exploration between and within parks.	0	<i>Maps</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	Parks Visit booklet for children. Children download a master list, hunt for rubbing token post, use rubbing token located at park and use pencil to mark off they have visited park. With aim they would receive badges for visiting multiple parks within CGD. Similar to CGD 1000 books reward program, that provides inexpensive rewards like paper colouring sheets. USA Junior Rangers program use the post rubbing system.	1	<i>Park visitor booklet</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	Sensory playground spaces like this one featured in recent article http://mobile.abc.net.au/news/2017-12-29/sensory-friendly-playground-helping-people-with-autism-qld/9292498?pfmredir=sm	2	<i>Sensory play equipment</i>
<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident</i>	A sensory playground. Also, driving through Seville on the weekend, the water play park there is awesome. http://www.melbourneplaygrounds.com.au/melbourneplaygrounds-info.php?id=28366		<i>Sensory play equipment</i>

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Type	Name	Content	Votes	Key Theme
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	Senior play equipment http://mobile.abc.net.au/news/2017-12-30/seniors-playgrounds-on-the-cards-for-canberra/9253320?pfmredir=sm	3	<i>Senior play equipment</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	A very big park for all ages where families and singles can gather. Bicycling, running, walking, BBQ, theme playgrounds for children of various ages within the park. Park with kiosks selling ice cream, coffee/tea, snacks too. Please ensure ample parking!	1	<i>Large park, bbq, Café, parking</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	Parks in Dandenong need more "wild" areas. These are good for children to explore and also help retain some wildlife. Creek and lake areas should be surrounded by as much bushland as possible to improve the water quality and also provide shade.	1	<i>Wild areas</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	More trees. A kiosk at some parks would be great too. Water fountains with water drinking basins near the bottom for dogs and birds. Park benches are a must. Install possum nesting boxes so that they have protection and shelter Also, a pagoda like the one they have at the Dingley Library.	1	<i>More trees, café, seating, possum nesting boxes</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	Provision of toilets	2	<i>Toilets</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	Parkfield reserve: update velodrome, out in walking track, more benches closer to the playground, update the playground so toddlers and older children can enjoy, remove old scout building, and better bicycle and pram access from crossing the road and footpath from Ellendale Road, encourage yoga classes so perhaps the tennis wall area could be used.	1	<i>Update velodrome, playground, seating and paths</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	Playgrounds for all ages; for young children, teens and adults. Shaded areas. Big trees that cover play areas, as well as grassed and seating areas. Accessible and clean toilets. Ensure open spaces do not become places for youth gangs to loiter and vandalise. Having CCTV cameras will discourage unlawful behaviour and be beneficial in times when crimes are committed.	1	<i>Playgrounds for all ages, shade structures, toilets</i>
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	More trees, more native trees in parks, not only trees but 3 levels of flora, groundcovers, shrubs and trees. Planting more trees and shrubs would assist with attaining sustainability. Urban forests assist with lessening the heat island effect. Native plants should be used to attract and maintain habitat for native birds and animals. Toilets in every park with a BBQ.	0	<i>More trees and toilets</i>

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Type	Name	Content	Votes	Key Theme
<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident</i>	Please do not get rid of trees in any potential park. Circle the seating around the trees. BBQ's are popular. Creative, safe, adventurous covered, play equipment with security cameras. Camping type tables and chairs as popular parks fill up fast. Walkways for those who feel safer in open, well lit, parks with regular water stops. Animal friendly parks. Dog friendly rubbish bins and signs informing animal lovers that it is their responsibility to pick up doggie poop. Water fountains and clean safe toilet cubicles. Nicely placed pieces of Stone, Marble, and Wooden Art. Cultural pieces would be a bonus.	0	<i>Trees, adventure play, bbq's & more tables, artwork</i>

APPENDIX 2 - OurSay-Stage2 Consolidated Comments

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Type	Name	Content	Votes	Key Theme
Comment	Resident	<p>Important to keep our open spaces with overdevelopment happening throughout the city. Sporting precincts are important, but we need these reserves planted out responsibly as so many of our heritage trees (494) have been ripped out to make way for Skyrail. We need to green up the municipality again. Trees are desperately needed! Timber from the river red gums that were taken out could be an art installation, seating or tables. Keep it open space and refurbish the sporting facilities already there as town houses etc don't have backyards like we used to have. Smarten the reserve up and advertise its facilities and features. It's one of the best kept secrets in the city.</p>	3	<p>More trees Art installation Refurbish sporting facilities. Promote the reserve</p>
Comment		<p>Rebuilding Parkfield Reserve would give rejuvenate the whole suburb with a modern space (without harming lush green trees) and a great place for the public to get together and build community spirit.</p> <p>Almost all Reserves, Parks, Playgrounds and Ovals around Noble Park, Noble Park North, Dandenong, Springvale and Keysborough have been rebuilt or modified and Parkfield has been forgotten and long overdue for fresher outlook. (except for the Public Toilets that were rebuilt, just last year)</p> <p>Therefore, I believe it should be started and completed as soon as possible (at least within the next 5 to 6 years. Following are my list of requirements/changes needed for Parkfield Reserve.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Change the foot path to go "Behind" the cricket practice nets by moving forward the nets. This will be safer for pedestrians and give more space for the cricketers for practice. 2. Install new Cricket Practice nets The current ones are old, damaged and rusted 3. Rebuild the Club House to accommodate Soccer/Footy and Cricket players and separate areas for Male and Female players 4. Get rid of the "velodrome (sloping) Cycle Track" and build a Running/Walking Track 5. Replace the "old Hut" in front of the Club House with a proper "Grand Stand/Pavilion" which any community sportsman/sportswoman to walk in to the field through with their head held high or their families would be proud to sit and watch a game their loved one's play in. 6. Better lighting for the oval and lighting for the surrounding area 7. Higher standard cricket pitch and outfield 8. Better car park 9. BBQ area 	2	<p>Improve pavilion, cricket nets, oval lighting Bbq Carpark Half court basketball Remove velodrome and install track</p>

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Type	Name	Content	Votes	Key Theme
		10. Basketball court or a half court		
<i>Comment</i>		Fix the velodrome so it's better and safer to ride bikes. I love this park and use it every day. It's so family friendly	3	<i>Redevelop velodrome</i>
<i>Comment</i>		This is such a family park. The velodrome needs to be fixed. Also get the cycle club involved and have a display of all the old bike riders / cycles that have used the park	2	<i>Redevelop velodrome</i>
<i>Comment</i>		Need some of the large trees trimmed and a nice peaceful area for families to relax and spend some quality time. Velodrome to be transformed into a play area for the young kids and also some gym equipment for the older kids. Would like to see more drinking water fountains installed.	1	<i>Picnic area Remove velodrome Play area Equipment for teenagers Drinking fountain</i>
<i>Comment</i>		Sustainability of park and other open spaces. Parks are open public spaces for the benefit of community. There can be no excuse for transferring this land to private hands or housing development. We urgently need a law to automatically start investigation of possible corruption in such situations. 2. With over 50% of young residents being from non-English speaking background, it is crucial to give them opportunities for joint after school activities. I would like the Council to consider international practice of having council-funded sport and cultural activities on the on-going basis in local parks. Low socio-economic status of the population requires that social workers, sport trainers and youth council workers being literally 'on the field' working with the youth. The parks should team with different clubs after school hour	1	<i>After school activities in the parks</i>
<i>Comment</i>		Improve the play equipment		<i>Play area</i>

APPENDIX 3 - OurSay-Stage3 Consolidated Comments

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Line No	Type	Name	Content	Votes	Key Themes
1	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 1</i>	<p>As a cyclist, I am very disappointed that the Maurice Kirby velodrome at Parkfield Reserve is being dismantled. This will now mean cyclists will have to cycle on dangerous roads, often without segregated cycle lanes, to velodromes outside of the City of Greater Dandenong boundaries to be able to cycle recreationally. Other councils in Melbourne are able to maintain their cycling velodromes and facilities (see Hawthorn Velodrome recent upgrades) yet the City of Greater Dandenong cannot cater for recreational cyclists at all?</p> <p>This is a total loss for the cycling community in the region. There are no other accessible cycling velodromes within a 12 km radius of this one. This decision lacks any hindsight, considering at a time when there is an ever-increasing amount of motor vehicle traffic in the City's boundaries, we are not promoting cycling as a recreational sport or prioritizing cycling over other forms of transport. What's even more insulting on recreational cyclists is the council is not even considering at the slightest of replacing the velodrome elsewhere in the council's boundaries. The velodrome in the council's eyes is considered as 'disused' (as cited on the consultation before the release of the masterplan), yet on the popular cycling smartphone app Strava, this velodrome is still being used by cyclists every year, who come here to train or do cycling intervals. I am hoping the council reconsiders adding a cycling velodrome elsewhere within the city's boundaries, at the least, that's if Parkfield Reserve cannot be catered for recreational cycling infrastructure. Cycling is a joy, it shouldn't be attacked from all corners of society.</p>	14	<i>Redevelop the velodrome</i>
2	<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident 2</i>	<p>The paucity of velodromes is keenly felt by many of us. Look to Tempe velodrome in Sydney for a highly successful way to run an older outdoor facility. Their occasional track carnivals engage the whole community, not just cyclists, and the inner west is better for it.</p>		<i>Redevelop the velodrome</i>
3	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 3</i>	<p>Do not remove the velodrome. Have you seen the results Australian cyclists are achieving all over the world.</p>	10	<i>Redevelop the velodrome</i>

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			Those that choose to train on the track have the right to do so rather than being killed on your roads.		
4	<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident 1</i>	<p>Australian kids don't just want to grow up to soccer stars, tennis champions or cricket players. They also want to tour the world and win the Tour de France, Giro d'Italia, Paris Roubaix. and many more grand monuments on offer.</p> <p>Where will the kids ride their bikes as a recreational sport if Dandenong Council removes this velodrome? The velodrome allows children in the area to learn to ride their bikes off of dangerous roads and diversifies the sport on offer as Parkfield Reserve.</p> <p>The council even stated in their endorsed 2017-2024 Cycling Strategy that they will prioritize cycling as a recreational activity and as well as a sport. One year later the council has done a full 180 and gone and destroyed what they promised to keep.</p>		<i>Redevelop the velodrome</i>
5	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 4</i>	Please do not demolish this local velodrome. It is a great location for all cyclists to safely ride, away from the open roads. Children also love to ride laps and try to race each other and overall, the velodrome brings the community together - not just the cycling community but everybody.	8	<i>Redevelop the velodrome</i>
6	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 5</i>	<p>Removing the Maurice Kirby velodrome would be a great loss to the community. Not only is it a safe and fun environment for people to stay fit and healthy, but it's also an ideal training location for competitive cyclists.</p> <p>Velodromes provide families with a carless environment in which parents can ride along with the kids without worrying about drivers endangering them. Shared cycle paths are often dangerous due to pedestrians and their pets.</p> <p>Many riders of varying levels still use this velodrome regularly, from those who ride just for fitness, right through to those who represent Australia in international competitions.</p> <p>It is great that more sporting facilities are being created in his project, however it should not be at the expense of another pre-existing sporting ground which is not being replaced. I'm sure there would be another appropriate location in the City of Greater Dandenong to see a new velodrome constructed as a replacement to the current velodrome, or perhaps an alternative location for two new soccer fields and refurbish the current velodrome.</p>	9	<i>Redevelop the velodrome</i>

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			It would be a major disappointment if the Maurice Kirby velodrome were to be removed.		
7	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 6</i>	This is a great idea for the local community and children. I currently work in the youth justice system in this area and live in the area, I would love to see this development go ahead. I have spoken with the local cricket and soccer clubs and they are losing juniors due to poor facilities. If the facilities were upgraded, children and teens could get more involved within these club and prevent them from roaming the streets and committing crime and coming through my doors. We need facilities like this to involve the younger generation in a positive way within the local community.	2	<i>Support for cricket and soccer facilities</i>
8	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 7</i>	I think this is a great idea. My cousins are member of the junior team however due to insufficient facilities they need to train at other locations. If these facilities were to be built it would mean the world to the children that participate and would allow the children and parents to be able to get involved with the club and the local community.	2	<i>Support for development of tennis facilities.</i>
9	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 7</i>	My top three priorities are building two new soccer pitches, getting rid of the velodrome and building a new pavilion.	1	<i>Support for soccer pitches Remove velodrome Support for new pavilion</i>
10	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 8</i>	My top priority is ensuring the tennis facilities encourage more junior players to join. I am concerned at the placement of seating for viewing tennis. There are many people who watch tennis matches, particularly parents of junior players, given the number of junior members who currently play at the tennis club. The seating you have on the map currently are placed on the west side of the courts (i.e. between the tennis courts and the oval), however this places the seats behind the wind breakers that need to be attached to the fence to stop the court sand from being blown away.	7	<i>Support for development of tennis facilities</i>
11	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 9</i>	I would like the new pavilion to have large glass windows that allows you to have full view of people playing tennis on all 6 tennis courts	3	<i>Support for inclusion of glass windows on new pavilion</i>

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12	<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident 10</i>	We are incredibly lucky to be living in a state where one of the 4 major grand slam tennis tournaments (Australian Open) is held. This is driving the popularity of tennis, which can be seen in the fact that there's been a 140% increase in tennis players in Victoria in the last 3 years alone. Other initiatives like ANZ Hot Shots Tennis, and new formats like Fast4 Tennis have also helped. Tennis is also a sport which never stops - through both Summer and Winter seasons. I hope the redevelopment keeps this in mind through the design.		<i>Support for development of tennis facilities</i>
13	<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident 11</i>	Cycling is a great sport for everyone and is an Olympic sport. For you to close a vital piece of sporting infrastructure shows a lack of knowledge as to how sport and recreation work. We need more, not less. A velodrome is as important as football & soccer grounds, tennis courts and the rest. Also you will be removing the great Maurie Kirby's name from the landscape. Councils love the word 'consultation'. Usually means we are going to do what we want without the C word. Invest in the velodrome and it will become more popular.		<i>Redevelop the velodrome</i>
14	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 12</i>	<p>More shelter from wind around tennis courts as the wind keeps taking the sand away and the wind breakers keep ripping to shreds from the strong winds coming off the oval, plus the oak trees drop bins worth of leaves every week, needs taller fence on north side with netting.</p> <p>Bit concerned that courts 1 & 2 will be so far away from the rest of the courts as it makes the role of junior supervisor more difficult with further area to cover quickly.</p> <p>Viewing platforms to watch tennis for spectators is a great idea, especially covered, and if the pavilion can overlook the tennis courts as well it would be a bonus.</p> <p>Wanting to know how to work the pavilion when more than one sporting group is using the reserve at the same time.</p>		<i>Support for development of tennis facilities</i>
15	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 13</i>	It would be great to have a cycling course as there are not many in the south east area!	6	<i>Redevelop the velodrome</i>

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16	<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident 1</i>	<p>All the major cycling paths weren't even constructed by the council, they were provided by new state level funded infrastructure projects like the Dandenong bypass, east link and soon to be skyrail. On top of that, over the many year's council has gone and removed all their velodromes, have not maintained their only velodrome for decades until it is has become unusable and is now consulting with us, so they can remove their last one! This is deeply insulting for those who just want to ride for long periods without having to avoid pedestrians or joggers.</p> <p>Cycling is rising in popularity again as a means of transportation, but we should not just only promote it as a way of getting from A to B, as much as driving cars is not only seen as a means of transportation but is also considered to be a motorsport with specific racetracks for the purpose of recreation.</p> <p>To promote cycling as a sport per CGD's '2017-2024 Cycling Strategy', we need to have cycling specific velodromes built, not destroyed. If this last remaining velodrome is gone, it will most likely never get replaced and Maurice Kirby's legacy will forever be lost.</p>		Same person as Row 1
17	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 14</i>	<p>The Parkfield football ground has significance to many residents. The velodrome is an integral part of the reserve. Clearly those who propose its demolition have little interest in cycling, nor do they visit the reserve. Frequently people ride the track, it is also a safe environment to teach youngsters... Kids also practice skateboarding and roller blading in the park.</p> <p>We need a diversity of activities in CGD, you are making the suburb vanilla by reducing the range of things kids want to do. There are plenty of soccer and football grounds around, and they are declining in popularity as the population ages.</p> <p>Maurie Kirby is an old timer who did a lot for the people of Noble Park...Cycling was only one of many great things he promoted. Keep his name alive and show some respect towards his family.</p>	5	Redevelop the velodrome

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18	<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident 1</i>	<p>Velodromes can be used by the whole community, from young kids just starting out learning to ride, just like how Maurice Kirby of Noble Park got kids in the Dandenong area into cycling in the 1960s, to our older citizens who can ride laps to maintain health and fitness.</p> <p>See the Hawthorn velodrome to understand how the recent resurfacing and rejuvenation of that ground has positively impacted the area. Whenever I ride past the Hawthorn velodrome, it is a delight to see everyone on their bike doing laps there, especially the older citizens.</p> <p>CGD has instead diverted all its concentration into one sport, that is soccer, and is forgetting about cycling as a form of recreational sport. CGD will gain only one more soccer ground whilst losing the only velodrome it has after this consultation. The same velodrome named after Maurice Kirby, which the CGD has commemorated his achievement in sports in 2006 at Dandenong Park next to Pultney Street.</p> <p>Also with the popularity of the Strava smartphone app, it gives new riders more sense of achievement when riding, allowing riders to compete with each other, keeps them riding for life and helps build a cycling culture in the region, which the CGD is wanting to achieve, according to their '2017-2024 Cycling Strategy'. Without a proper velodrome, no one in the Dandenong region can do this. Build it and they will come.</p>		Same person as Row 1
19	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 1</i>	<p>Resurface or rebuild the velodrome. Council cannot just destroy it on a whim and erase Maurice Kirby's cycling legacy forever.</p> <p>Maurice supported all sports, including soccer as well. I don't think him nor his family would be happy to find out the council only has preferences for one sport.</p>	4	Same person as Row 1
20	<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident 11</i>	<p>Well put Resident 1. The recently revitalised Hawthorn velodrome is the reason why the Maurice Kirby facility should also be given the same upgrade. It looks great and as you said is used at all hours and at weekends it is packed with kids having a ball. GDC have you got into your car and gone down the freeway to see this track? I would say not as if you had done so scrapping it would not enter your head. Consult with Boroondara Council to see how they did it. Once it is gone that is it the council will never build one. Council you are very lucky to have a velodrome. Give it some TLC and reap the benefits.</p>		Same person as Row 13

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			All sorts of authorities bombard us with facts on obesity, lazy kids who need to be active. All just talk is it GDC? Must be. You don't dismantle any sporting facility, you build upon them. But perhaps it is just talk and council don't give a stuff. Council Rec dept get on your horse and battle the morons who occupy some office up the corridor.		
21	<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident 15</i>	This track needs more publicity but needs to be maintained as a historical marker to a man Maurie Kirby who did a lot in our local area Noble Park, in its infancy. CGD have about 70 historical sites and markers left in the whole LGA area ...this is one of them. Please leave Maurie Kirby's memory intact. Advertise the fact that there is a velodrome in the local area and support and encourage bike groups to use it.		Redevelop the velodrome
22	<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident 1</i>	Much like how Dandenong council has built specific facilities and skate parks for skaters to prevent delinquent teenagers from turning into criminals, council should be building specific facilities for cyclists to prevent kids from living unhealthy lifestyles, especially at a time when our hospital resources are at breaking point.		Same person as Row 1
23	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 16</i>	I would like to see this plan go ahead with the only change keeping the old pavilion as an extra community space. The Velodrome desperately needs to be removed. As much as it has offered an area for cyclists in the past, now it is only used by walkers and even so has deteriorated to the state that it needs to be ripped up. The Councils plan to flatten it and create more space for sports like cricket and soccer to take place will be very beneficial to the local community and sporting groups that use the facility. As stated above, if some of the car parking was sacrificed to keep the current Parkfield Pavilion, that could be used for community functions as well as over flow when events are double booked by the sporting clubs.	1	Keep old pavilion Remove velodrome Support for development of cricket and soccer facilities.
24	<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident 14</i>	Resident 1, council have little interest in protecting the kids with bikes...how many new cycle paths have they provided in recent history? They have not even had a cycling strategy for many years and were one of the few councils named and shamed by the Bicycle Victoria.		Redevelop the velodrome

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25	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 17</i>	Would love a bigger joint facility for the tennis club and sporting clubs using the oval. More carparking is a must. A running/ cycling track in the park with fitness stations would be amazing. Removal of the now very aged bike track and more shaded areas overlooking sports ground and tennis courts would be great.	1	Support new pavilion. More carparking Track & fitness stations. Remove velodrome
26	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 18</i>	I have spent a considerable amount of time at Parkfield reserve. I grew up at the park playing sports, working and enjoying a great piece of land in the noble park community. I had many school mates that also attended the facility for cricket and football and tennis. This reserve has been under developed for many years with tired facilities. The scout hall in the south west corner does it even get used anymore? The Maurice Kirby Velodrome once many years ago had a thriving cycle club (cricket balls in summer would cause havoc as they ran up the asphalt in the way of cyclists (an OHS disaster waiting to happen) ...but not anymore, the velodrome is in such a state of disrepair it is unsafe to walk around yet alone cycle round. Removing this is eyesore While will take some of the character from the park, it is needed. Is a second soccer pitch needed? there are already several pitches at Ross Reserve. The supplied dimensions for soccer are over stated 100m x 65m are the world cup pitch dimensions. I am not sure how many teams the current club has, or if they have a junior set up or plans to. A Dromana sand tan style track around the outside of a boundary fence would be ideal for a well-used reserve kids could cycle on it people could walk on ... the fence would prevent balls hitting people. win win. A great usable asset for clubs and public casual users alike. The pavilion is some distance from the fields and I question whether large enough with tennis soccer and cricket all requiring the rooms simultaneously during the seasons. 3 cricket training wickets will be great to have safe facility to train in for the club, 4 would be more suitable, and they are a long way away from car parks and pavilion considering the equipment that needs to be used and carried. Cannot understate adequate storage requirements. Perhaps the cricket nets could go next to the pavilion and the relocated tennis courts to the south east could move further down, thus allowing access to car parks for carrying equipment (not demeaning tennis but only carrying a racquet and some tennis balls)? The cricket nets could be soft divider nets that run out of lockable boxes at the end of nets. And the synthetic net area could be used as multipurpose warm up / social area if next to pavilion ?? just ideas ...BUT can		Remove velodrome Querying need for second soccer pitch Supportive of walking track Querying location of pavilion Supportive of new cricket nets – would prefer 4 multipurpose synthetic nets

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			I commend the council on finally instigating improvements to the reserve and for its community users. Whatever happens, most changes will be to benefit all. Even if some of the changes slightly affect clubs or casual users. Exciting times for the reserve I love !!!!		
27	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 19</i>	As he was my Father I'm bitterly disappointed that Dads ideas for kids of yester year had something to do and an interest in cycling to keep them off the streets as well as being an old identity of Noble Park his work and achievements now mean nothing.	3	Redevelop velodrome
28	<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident 15</i>	I do hope the Council sees the errors of their way and retains and rebuild the velodrome in your Father Maurie Kirby's name. Your Father saw an important issue many years ago to give children something to do. Not everyone is in to team sports, but many have bikes and cannot ride them safely on roads. There are sporting fields in Ross Reserve why do we have to duplicate these ovals in close proximity! We must maintain our history and continue to recognise people who made Noble Park great.		Same person as Row 21
29	<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident 20</i>	I totally agree with Resident 15, this should not be allowed to happen.		Same person as row 31
30	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 21</i>	The children need space to play and socialise with other children. I used to ride on the that velodrome when I was a kid. Back then we had big backyards. Today what have the children got? Make more parks for the children. If you want to ride your bike there are other alternatives where you can ride.		Remove velodrome
31	<i>idea</i>	<i>Resident 20</i>	I was a Springvale/Springvale South resident for over 40 years and was privileged enough to know the Maurice Kirby family directly. I didn't know Maurice, but I knew him through his television and greyhound associations. The fact that he was honoured with having this velodrome named after him speaks enormous amounts about his association with this tight knit community. Council should be seen to be doing the right thing by revitalizing the velodrome, not removing it!	1	Redevelop the velodrome
32	<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident 22</i>	Keep what features are already there and put the word out to cyclists so the velodrome can be reopened!!! What better way to help kids get to the Olympics. Make the gardens user friendly- as I've stated before have the Council run gardening programs for unemployed and/or youth doing community service then encourage folk to marry or have civil services here. Include bike paths to connect these parks with the new under area of our		Redevelop the velodrome

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			railway lines.		
33	<i>comment</i>	<i>Resident 12</i>	I was looking at the plan for Parkfield Reserve and noticed that there a few deciduous trees that are proposed to be planted around the courts. We already have issues with 2 oak trees dropping leaves that are located behind the kindergarten. You can find the leaves from these 2 trees on all 6 courts. As much as deciduous trees look lovely, is it possible that something else could be planted that does not drop a couple of bins worth of leaves each week?		Prefer non deciduous trees near tennis courts

APPENDIX 4 – Assessment Merit (prior to Draft Masterplan)

Assessment of Merit

The consultation feedback up until the Pop-Up Session (Feb 2018) was used by the consultant design team to prepare the assessment of merit table which outlines all of the key ideas to be considered prior to the preparation of the draft masterplan. This merit assessment captures the consultant team and the working group 'in-process' design thinking (Feb 2018) or prior-to the drafting process of the masterplan. However, this does not necessarily reflect the final design thinking on the exhibited draft master plan as per the one being exhibited during the OurSay - Stage3 and community consultation.

This merit assessment of prior-design community's feedback appears in the table below:

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OPPORTUNITIES	CONSULTANTS ASSESSMENT OF MERIT	
	Yes	No
INFRASTRUCTURE		
Upgrade and extend the gravel car park by providing a sealed surface and defined barriers.	✓	
<i>Resurfacing the car park area would assist in delineation of car bay locations. By the establishment of a multi-purpose pavilion to the north east flank of the oval, the space occupied by the existing cricket pavilion can become car park space with capacity for approximately 15 additional vehicles. WSUD opportunities can be explored to the edges of the sealed surface by deflection of drainage run off to trees and grassed areas.</i>		
Investigate the potential for incorporating WSUD opportunities into new works to treat run-off from impervious surfaces (i.e. rain gardens, tree pits, 'Smart Soakers' and permeable pavements).	✓	
<i>With the creation of new paths and hard paved surfaces there is opportunity to create passive irrigation of adjacent grassed areas with trees, through deflection of surface drainage water.</i>		
Investigate strategies to resolve the flooding issue for the residential properties along the southern boundary of the reserve.	✓	
<i>Increase the capacity of the overland flow path which includes increasing the freeboard to prevent stormwater flows entering under the boundary fence lines into the residential properties. For the immediate short-term increase the frequency of maintenance of clearing leaf litter from the existing drainage channel, particularly in Autumn and Winter.</i>		
Review access to the scout hall car park.	✓	
<i>There is potential for new access from Dunblane Road directly to the scout hall car park. First action is to determine the need for the Scout Hall. If the hall is not required by the Scout Group, the hall space and carpark could be returned to grassed parkland and could be the site of another picnic area.</i>		

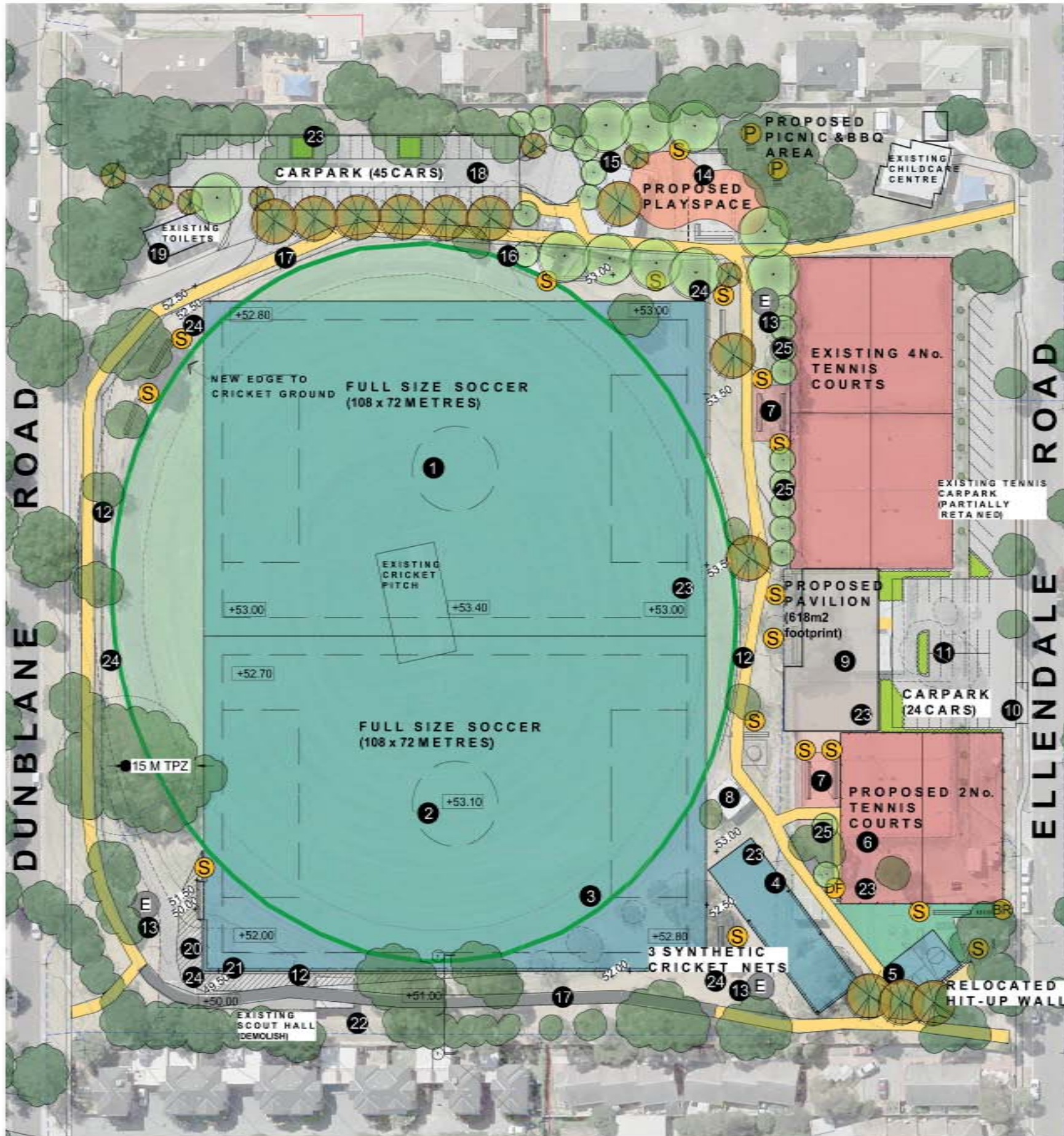
OPPORTUNITIES	CONSULTANTS ASSESSMENT OF MERIT	
	Yes	No
Opportunity to relocate the playspace closer to the pavilion and activity area, through consultation of the cricket club and tennis club in a co-location of a multi-purpose facility and relocation of the cricket nets.	✓	
<i>A major playspace can be created adjacent to the two English oak trees. This will be close to the existing childcare centre and close to the proposed site of the multi-purpose pavilion.</i>		
Investigate the potential of a new pedestrian pathway linking the east and west sides of the reserve.	✓	
<i>The east-west desire line across the reserve is well used by locals. A new 2.5 metre wide shared path should be provided in accordance with accessibility standards and could link to the circuit path around the reserve.</i>		
Expand the car park adjacent to the scout hall.		✓
<i>The future of the scout hall needs to be investigated and confirmed. If the scout hall is not used, the building can be removed, with the carpark and building site converted to open space.</i>		
The current location of the playspace and hit-up wall is dark at night.	✓	
<i>Consider inclusion of two lights if these facilities are ultimately to remain.</i>		
The existing training lights for the oval/ soccer pitch are poor and inadequate in capacity.	✓	
<i>Review with the soccer club. There are considerations in the provision of various pitch layout options. Upgrade of lights to training standard needs to be considered.</i>	☐	
Consolidate 9 land parcels that make up the reserve.	✓	
<i>Through consolidation of titles future servicing requirements from utility organisations more streamlined.</i>		
Consider the provision of CCTV cameras within the park.	☐	✓
<i>This came as a general comment for CGD parks in general. During the community consultation and engagement stage vandalism was not mentioned although drug dealings had been noted.</i>		
POTENTIAL ACTIVITIES AND PRESENTATION		
Relocate the cricket nets away from the existing path network (potentially south).	✓	
<i>The existing location of the cricket nets and the east-west connecting path clash. The most suitable location of the cricket nets is the south-east flank of the oval.</i>	☐	
Remove the existing cycling track and consider whether two soccer pitches can fit.	✓	
<i>Two full sized soccer pitches would not fit within the existing fenced area. Some respondents commented, the cycling track provides walking and cycling exercise and resurfacing would improve conditions for cyclists.</i>	☐	

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	Yes	No
<i>However with the introduction of a circuit pathway around the reserve this would equally provide an opportunity for cyclists and walkers to exercise.</i>		
Replace the existing tennis pavilion (Initial Concept Plans have been prepared by Council).	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓
<i>Rather than replace the tennis pavilion, the preferred direction is to combine the cricket and tennis clubs as one multi-purpose facility, located to the north east flank of the oval. Through this, the space occupied by the tennis pavilion can either become small sized tennis courts for young children or relocate the two existing tennis courts to the south to return the southernmost existing courts to open space parkland.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Provide fitness equipment stations along a new perimeter pathway.	✓	
<i>A popular activity generally in parklands is the provision of fitness equipment. Parkfield Reserve is ideally suited and has space for fitness apparatus. A perimeter pathway would provide another dimension to the reserve.</i>		
Construct two full size soccer pitches once the cycling track is removed.	✓	
<i>Two full-sized soccer pitches will not fit on the current fenced area of the oval space, that includes the 6 metre wide cycling track. There is major encroachment over the scout hall and to other functions of the park. There is a remnant Gum tree that should be retained on the west side of the oval. Two full-sized soccer pitches would create upheaval of grades and eliminate the potential multi-purpose pavilion west of the tennis courts.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Construct a full sized soccer pitch with junior pitches within the senior pitch. The cycling track can be retained.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<i>A full sized senior pitch (international standards) just fits within the oval space and the cycling track. Two junior under 9 pitches can be located within the senior pitches envelope.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Investigate the feasibility of a barbecue unit near the pavilion.	✓	
<i>A barbecue unit was high on the list of respondents during the community consultation process. A shelter, tap and cleaning items should be provided.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Advertise the parks facilities and features.	✓	
<i>Promotion of the local park is important and can be done through the sporting clubs and through Council's on-line services.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Conduct yoga classes within the pavilion or outdoor.	✓	
<i>This is a healthy leisure activity for Council and the community to foster.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Plant more trees and provide possum nesting boxes.	✓	
<i>These elements are consistent with Council's environmental strategies. Trees assist in the definition of congregating and social spaces.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

OPPORTUNITIES	CONSULTANTS ASSESSMENT OF MERIT	
	Yes	No
Incorporate Parkfield Reserve in a Park Visit Booklet for children to download and hunt for a rubbing token post, with the aim of receiving badges for visiting parks within the CGD.	✓	
<i>Prepare comprehensive maps of the parks. This is a healthy activity which will create interests and enjoyment for families. Maps of Council's parks will assist in visitation.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Investigate the demand for a community vegetable garden	✓	
<i>A community garden could be established within Parkfield Reserve. Only one person has mentioned the idea. It will require further consultation with the locals as community gardens require a dedicated group to manage its operation.</i>		
CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT		
Consider the provision of carefully sited artworks (stone, marble, timber etc) that reflect the multi-cultural communities within the area.	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓
<i>This reserve is primarily an active space reserve and may not be the most suitable site for artworks.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

APPENDIX 5 – Exhibited Draft Masterplan

Exhibited Draft Masterplan during OurSay – Stage 3 (11 July – 17 August 2018)



LEGEND

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- 10 Relocated entry into the carpark from Ellendale Road. Loss of 6 car parking spaces.
- 11 Proposed car parking to service the new pavilion. (26 spaces)
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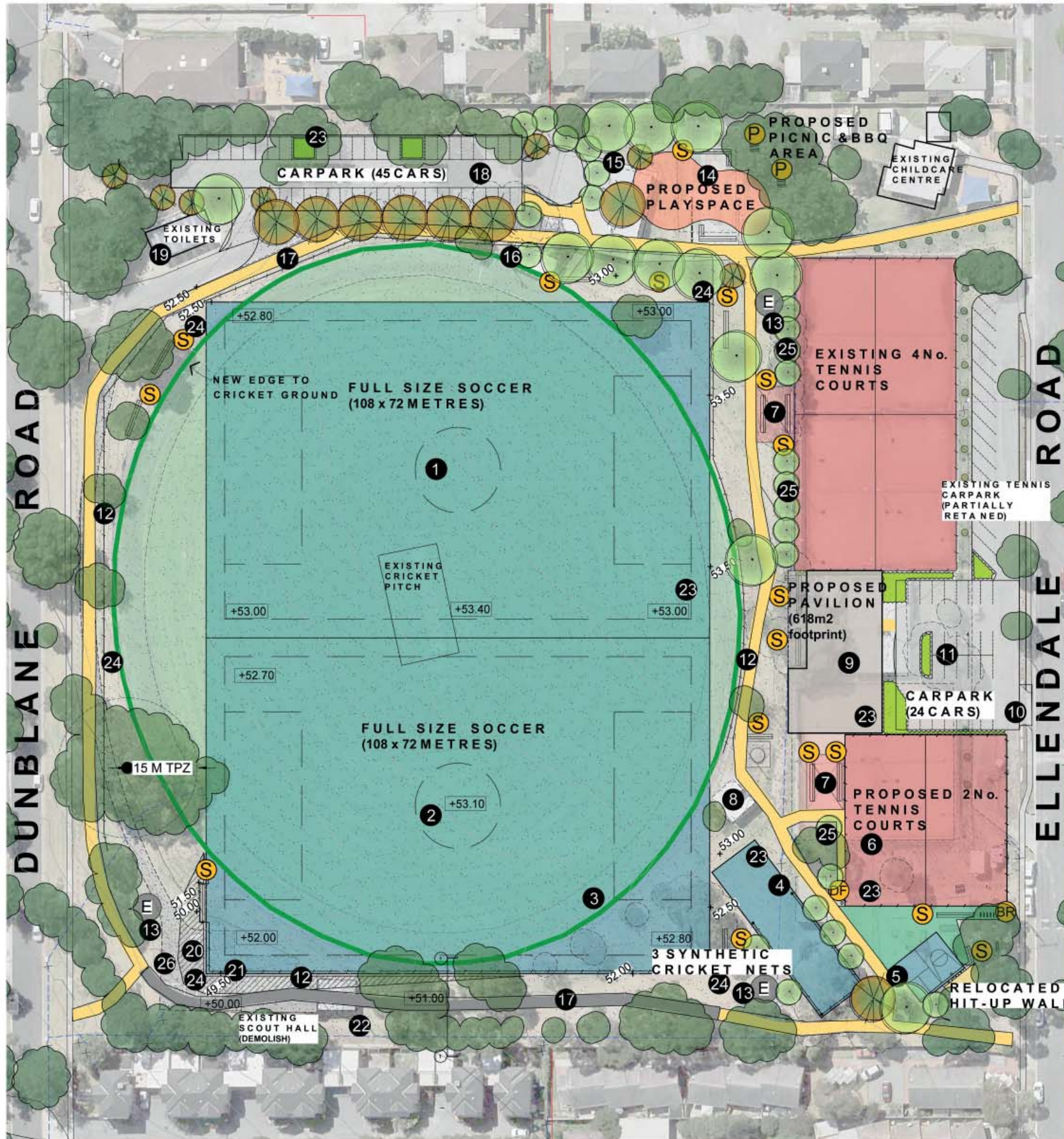
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APPENDIX 6A – Draft Masterplan Option A

Draft Masterplan Option A (Removal of the Cycle Track) post OurSay – Stage 3



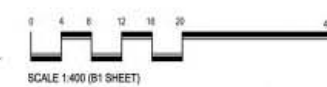
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- 26 Provide interpretive signage celebrating Maurice Kirby's legacy in the history of the park and the community.

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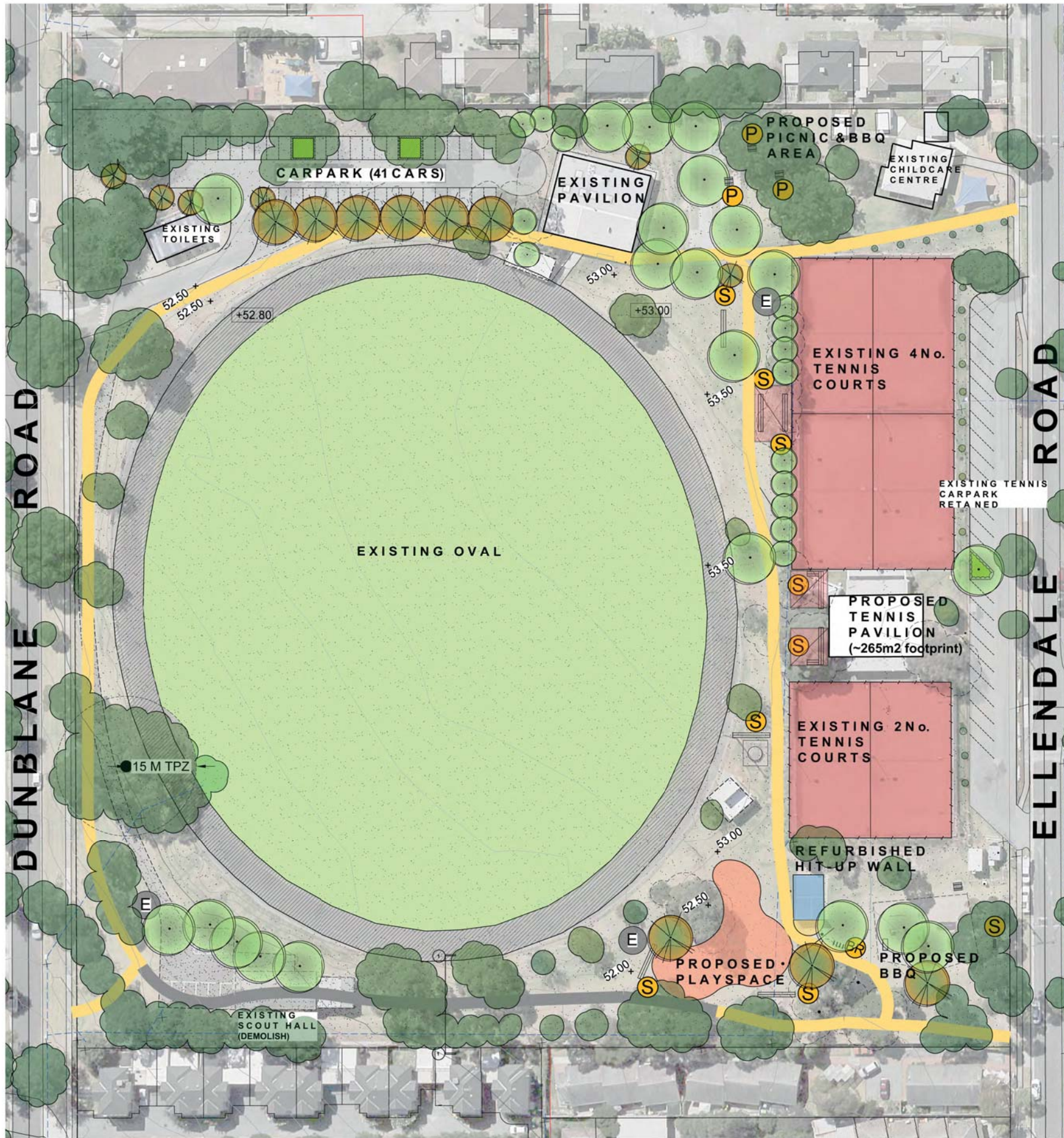
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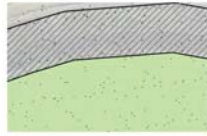
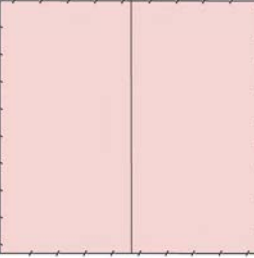
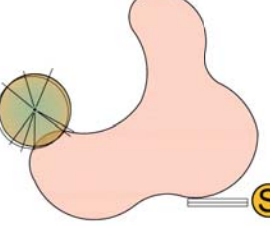
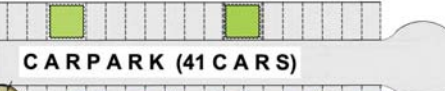


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APPENDIX 6B – Draft Masterplan Option B

Draft Masterplan Option B (Retention of the Cycle Track) post OurSay – Stage 3



LEGEND

-  EXISTING VEGETATION TO BE RETAINED
-  PROPOSED 2.5 METRE WIDE GRAVEL SHARED TRAIL
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-  PROPOSED EVERGREEN TREES
-  PROPOSED DECIDUOUS TREES
-  PROPOSED SEATING
-  PROPOSED PICNIC SETTING
-  PROPOSED EXERCISE STATION
-  EXISTING CYCLING TRACK TO BE RETAINED AND RESURFACED. EXISTING GRASSED OVAL SURFACE TO BE RETAINED.
-  EXISTING TENNIS COURTS TO BE RETAINED
-  PROPOSED PLAYSPACE TO CATER FOR A WIDE RANGE OF AGE GROUPS
-  PROPOSED ASPHALT CAR PARK
-  PROPOSED OUTDOOR SHELTER
-  PROPOSED TENNIS PAVILION

APPENDIX 7A – Probable Cost Estimation of Option A

Probable Cost Estimation of Draft Masterplan Option A (Removal of the Cycle Track)

**PARKFIELD RESERVE MASTER PLAN
CITY OF GREATER DANDENONG COUNCIL**

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND OPINION OF PROBABLE COSTS

Based on plan June 2018

PRIORITIES: H=HIGH; M=MEDIUM; L=LOW

1. INFRASTRUCTURE

ACTION	PRIORITY (H/M/L)	OPINION OF PROBABLE COSTS BASED ON 2018 COSTS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construct two full-sized soccer fields as a natural grassed surface. Allow for major earthworks to extend across the existing embankments to the west side, sandbase for kikuyu turf, agricultural drainage, automatic in-ground irrigation, ball catch netting, demolition of existing velodrome. Construction of masonry retaining walls to the south west corner of the playing field. Upgrade lighting 	H	\$2,040,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construct three synthetic cricket practice wickets, including cages 	H	\$250,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demolish the existing hit-up wall and locate a new hit-up wall and basketball hoop 	H	\$35,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demolish the existing single storey tennis pavilion to accommodate the new pavilion 	H	\$100,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relocate two tennis courts to facilitate the construction of the multi-purpose pavilion. Includes demolition of fencing and en-tout-cas. Supply and install of two synthetic tennis courts, new fencing, surfacing, line marking and lighting 	H	\$510,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supply and install two shelters (off the shelf type) with seating to enable viewing of tennis 	H	\$40,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relocate the storage facility to the ground floor of the new pavilion 	H	Refer to the Pavilion OPC
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construct a two storey pavilion to be shared by the cricket, soccer and tennis clubs with an associated sealed car park for 24 cars 	H	\$4,700,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construct a 1.2 metre high sports field fence to the perimeter of the sports fields 	H	\$75,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide exercise stations at several sections of the reserve. Assume 3 sites with 4 pieces of equipment at each site, including surfacing 	M	\$100,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construct a new playspace to the north end of the reserve near the two large English Oak trees, including seating and using play matta soft fall. Includes removal of the existing cricket practice wickets and cages 	H	\$150,000

• Provision of two shade sails for the play space area	H	\$100,000
ACTION	PRIORITY (H/M/L)	OPINION OF PROBABLE COSTS BASED ON 2018 COSTS
• Demolish the existing single storey cricket pavilion and associated shelter to accommodate the new carpark and play space	H	\$100,000
• Construct a 2.5 metre wide gravel shared trail circuit to circumnavigate the perimeter of the reserve including demolition of the internal road. Note, one section below the retaining walls is concrete.	H	\$35,000
		\$65,000
		\$45,000
• Construct an asphalt carpark with access to Dunblane Road to the north side of the playing field. Incorporate the several large existing trees within the carpark	M	\$150,000
• Demolish the existing scout hall and adjacent carpark and reinstate the area as a grassed surface. Includes asbestos. OH&S safety/hazard removal and disposal	M	\$50,000
• Investigate and act on strategies and infrastructure to resolve the flooding issue to residential properties along the southern boundary of the reserve	H	\$20,000
• Incorporate water sensitive urban design solutions to edges of paths and car park areas. This to include passive irrigation and rain gardens	H	\$20,000
• Install training lights on tall towers at each corner of the two soccer fields A total of four light towers.	H	\$500,000
• Establish screening shrubs to the west fencelines of the tennis courts	H	\$8,000
• Four Tennis Court resurface with synthetic surface, upgrade lighting and fencing	H	\$800,000
• Demolish existing cricket net	H	\$5,000
SUBTOTAL (Excluding GST)		\$9,898,000
TOTAL - HIGH PRIORITY ACTIONS (Excluding GST)		
TOTAL - MEDIUM PRIORITY ACTIONS (Excluding GST)		
TOTAL - LOW PRIORITY ACTIONS (Excluding GST)		
Add 10% Contingency Sum		\$989,800
Design Fee		\$80,000
TOTAL (Excluding GST)		\$10,967,800

APPENDIX 7B – Probable Cost Estimation of Option B

Probable Cost Estimation of Draft Masterplan Option B (Retention of the Cycle Track)

**PARKFIELD RESERVE MASTER PLAN
CITY OF GREATER DANDENONG COUNCIL**

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND OPINION OF PROBABLE COSTS

Based on plan September 2018

PRIORITIES: H=HIGH; M=MEDIUM; L=LOW

1. INFRASTRUCTURE

ACTION	PRIORITY (H/M/L)	OPINION OF PROBABLE COSTS BASED ON 2018 COSTS
• Re-surface existing cycling track		\$240,000
• Refurbish the existing hit-up wall and add basketball hoop	H	\$25,000
• Demolish the existing single storey tennis pavilion to accommodate the new pavilion	H	\$100,000
• Supply and install two shelters (off the shelf type) with seating to enable viewing of tennis	H	\$40,000
• Relocate the storage facility to the ground floor of the new pavilion	H	Refer to the Pavilion OPC
• Construct a new pavilion for the tennis club	H	\$1,100,000
• Provide exercise stations at several sections of the reserve. Assume 3 sites with 4 pieces of equipment at each site, including surfacing	M	\$100,000
• Construct a new playspace to the south end of the reserve including seating and using play matta soft fall including removal of the existing cricket practice wickets and cages	H	\$250,000
• Provision of two shade sails for the play space area	H	\$60,000

ACTION	PRIORITY (H/M/L)	OPINION OF PROBABLE COSTS BASED ON 2018 COSTS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construct a 2.5 metre wide gravel shared trail circuit to circumnavigate the perimeter of the reserve including demolition of the internal road. Note, one section is concrete. 	H	demolition 35,000 gravel 65,000 concrete 45,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construct an asphalt carpark with access to Dunblane Road to the north side of the playing field. Incorporate the several large existing trees within the carpark 	M	\$150,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demolish the existing scout hall and adjacent carpark and reinstate the area as a grassed surface. Includes asbestos. OH&S safety/hazard removal and disposal 	M	\$50,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate and act on strategies and infrastructure to resolve the flooding issue to residential properties along the southern boundary of the reserve 	H	allow 20,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incorporate water sensitive urban design solutions to edges of paths and car park areas. This to include passive irrigation and rain gardens 	H	allow \$20,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish screening shrubs to the west fencelines of the tennis courts 	H	\$8,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demolish existing Cricket nets 	H	\$5,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demolish existing Cricket/ soccer pavilion & shelter (although in the interim this can be used for the junior soccer club/ cycling club) 	M	\$50,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two Tennis Courts resurface with synthetic surface, upgrade lighting and fencing 	H	\$510,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Four Tennis Courts resurface with synthetic surface, upgrade lighting and fencing 	H	\$800,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remove cricket wicket 	H	\$20,000
SUBTOTAL (Excluding GST)		\$3,508,000
TOTAL - HIGH PRIORITY ACTIONS (Excluding GST)		
TOTAL - MEDIUM PRIORITY ACTIONS (Excluding GST)		
TOTAL - LOW PRIORITY ACTIONS (Excluding GST)		
Add 10% Contingency Sum		\$350,800
Design Fee		\$40,000
TOTAL (Excluding GST)		\$3,898,800