

City of Mitcham Community Engagement Plan

Information and Plans of Existing Amplitel Mobile Telecommunications Tower

Background

Eden Hills Landfill Reserve, Eden Hills (the Reserve) is located at Colebrook Drive, Eden Hills and was a former Council dump site. The Reserve is currently leased to three tenants, the Lions Club of Blackwood for their Bargain Centre, and to both Amplitel (Telstra) and Vodaphone for land upon which the telecommunications tower and ancillary equipment is located. The mobile telecommunications tower was erected in 2004/05 by Telstra and is utilised by Amplitel (Telstra) and Vodaphone. Amplitel (Telstra) have occupied the land for 20 years under lease from Council.

In September 2023 Amplitel approached Council and requested a new lease for the land upon which the mobile telecommunications tower is located

Mobile Telecommunications Tower

The Mobile Telecommunications tower is an existing structure erected circa 2004 and has been subject to existing leases since August 2005. The current and proposed leases are consistent with the Community Land Management Plan. Image 1 shows the area under consideration (shaded in yellow) and occupied by the mobile telecommunications tower for the past 20 years and subject to the proposed for the lease.



Image 1 - Location of mobile telecommunications tower

Existing leases

The Reserve is leased to the Lions Club of Blackwood for their Bargain Centre, and is also leased to Amplitel (formerly Telstra) for the land upon which the mobile telecommunications tower is situated. In addition Council leases a separate parcel of land to Vodaphone for telecommunications equipment which links to the Telstra Mobile phone tower. Vodaphone have a separate licence with Telstra for their use of the mobile phone tower.

Community Land Management Plan (CLMP)

The area is located within the Lions Club of Blackwood - Eden Hills Reserve Community Land management plan as shown in image 2. The CLMP provides for leases to the Lions Club of Blackwood together with Telecommunications and Utilities Organisations (see Attached document). Therefore this proposed lease is permitted by the CLMP for the Reserve.



Image 2 - Community land management plan areas