



Mitcham Court Precinct Capital Works Improvements and Activation – Zone 1

Detailed Design and Capital Works for Zone 1 of the Mitcham Court Precinct

Description

Proposal

Detailed design and capital works to activate Zone 1: Lawns and picnic area, and planting buffer, as per the Master Plan currently being prepared (which is subject to community consultation and Council endorsement).

Background

Mitcham Court Precinct is located in Hawthorn, bound by the Mitcham Memorial Library, Brown Hill Creek, Hawthorn Community Centre and residential houses. It includes the RAAF Mitcham Branch building, former lawn bowls greens and heritage stables. The site is currently underutilised and provides a range of options for activation and use by the community.

Council has committed once-off operating funding in the 2022/23 financial year to engage with stakeholders, prepare a Master Plan and update the Community Land Management Plan for the Mitcham Court Precinct.

It is envisaged that Council will endorse a preferred Master Plan for the site by July/August 2023, which will guide future use and activation of the site. Implementation is anticipated to be in a number of stages, as Council, State and Federal funding becomes available.

Zone 1 is proposed as the first stage for implementation. It is predominantly the former bowling greens, which is proposed for a planting buffer, lawns and picnic areas.

Community Benefits

- Activation of a currently underutilised site
- Improved amenity and creation of a public space for use by the community
- Reduced graffiti and anti-social behaviour

Rate Impact: 0.16%
Capital (Council): \$1,000,000
Ongoing (Council): \$97,000
External funding required: For future stages

Primary Theme

Theme 3.1 Placemaking*

Community Insight

I enjoy using the public places in my local area

Other Information

- ☐ Pending Grant Funding
- ☒ Future Grant Funding Request
- ☒ Priority Theme
- ☐ Non-Priority Theme

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