



Ku-ring-gai Council Play Space Strategy

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1. executive summary from volume 1

This Play Space Assessment aims to guide the provision, development and management of outdoor play spaces in public parks across the Ku-ring-gai municipality.

In **Section 1**, the two-volume report establishes a vision, philosophy, criteria and principles for effective play provision across the Ku-ring-gai Council.

Section 2 sets out a vision for play and explains the terminology and key concepts used in this report.

Section 3 introduces the location of play spaces and Map 1 shows their distribution across the Ku-ring-gai local government area (LGA). This section includes a table listing all the spaces and their classification.

Section 4 introduces some important planning principles applied to parks and play spaces, and sets out a classification system for play spaces in order to establish benchmarks for the provision of amenities and other design criteria expected for each site.

Section 5 takes a broader perspective and analyses demand and supply- the current distribution of play spaces and opportunities across all of the suburbs of Ku-ring-gai, and an overview of demographic factors affecting demand for play spaces. It includes a series of maps showing demographic data, play space distribution, areas of high dependence and areas poorly served by parks for play.

Section 6 introduces the qualitative aspects of play space design, and the approach taken to assessing play value on each site. This section introduces the ideas underlying the individual site assessments (Volume 2) and illustrates some of the qualitative aspects of play value. It raises the issue of nature play and encouraging play in bushland.

Section 7 highlights key issues, and makes recommendations for action resulting from the site assessments.

Section 8 discusses play space management, and maintenance. The objective is to develop an efficient, cost effective management approach to play provision that is also consistent with the Vision for play discussed at the beginning of this report.

Volume 2 is organised by Suburb and includes an assessment report for each existing play space, as well as an Appendix with a Play Space Evaluation checklist sourced from the Everyone Can Play Guideline. <https://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/-/media/Files/DPE/Guidelines/everyone-can-play-guideline-2019-02-20.pdf>

2. introduction to volume 2

Volume 2 is organised by suburb and includes an assessment report for each existing play space. It should be read in conjunction with the principles, terminology and background information set out in Volume 1.

Some basic principles used in this report are copied below from Volume 1.

Parks for play - some fundamental planning principles and assumptions

This report is based on information, research, observations, experience, benchmarks and common practice sourced from municipalities all over Australia. Some of the fundamental ideas that underlie the report and its recommendations are outlined below. This section also contains some important definitions that have been used in this report.

The role of play in the healthy development of children

Play in its many forms is significant in the healthy development of children and young people. The location, planning and design of parks have a significant effect on how they will be used. Parks and play spaces play a vital role in encouraging children and families and other community members to play out of doors and thus make a considerable contribution to community health and well-being.

Play provision as a system

Planning and designing places for play should not be seen as a one-off matter to be resolved on a single, park-by-park basis. Rather, each park and play space contributes to an overall 'package' available to the public across their residential precinct. These must be viewed as an overall system, with each individual park contributing to the diverse whole, and each complementing the other.

Definition of residential Suburbs and Precincts

Suburbs are the basic planning unit which have been used in this report to map and plan play provision across the municipality. Suburbs are residential areas contained by any physical or social boundaries or barriers such as busy roads, railway lines or water bodies that might affect the easy independent movement of children on foot or bike.

The Suburbs are based largely on administrative boundaries as used by Ku-ring-gai council for planning and administrative purposes. In some cases, the Suburbs have been further divided into Precincts, where busy roads or other barriers define smaller areas within the larger Suburb.

Walking distance
to parks from
residential areas

All residents should ideally have access to a park (of any category) within an approximate 10 minute walk¹, or approximately 400m.

The distance must be measured by approximate actual walking routes (not by the radius of circles drawn on a plan) and should not cross a busy road or railway line.

Where these distances are impractical, the *quality* and *diversity* of those play opportunities that do exist becomes more significant. Where residents only have limited options for access to parks or play spaces, those that are accessible need to be of a higher quality to make up for limits in choice.

Access and
inclusion for users
with a disability

Clearly there are many kinds of disability; each has its own implication for design. Numerically there are far more people with intellectual disability than the other disability types.

When the words *access* or *inclusion* are used in this context in this report, these terms are frequently aimed at providing inclusive physical access to parks, play opportunities and social spaces (such as a path and/or an accessible soft fall surface linking to the equipment). These will benefit not only users with mobility aids and especially wheelchairs but help define spaces and provide orientation for users with a vision impairment and/or intellectual disability.

Everyone Can Play Guideline- - Play Space Evaluation Checklists

The NSW Government has adopted and promoted the Everyone Can Play Guideline which is a guideline, funding program and stakeholder education program that is significantly funded into the future.

Appendix 1 in Volume 2 contains a series of Everyone Can Play checklists from this Guideline to help assess play space designs prior to completion of the design process.

Off-road
connections

It is not intended that any park should be expected to (on its own) meet the needs of every resident. It is therefore assumed that residents will have some choices as to where they play, so they can select the setting that suits their needs best within their residential precinct. This also assumes that people will be able to move around their neighbourhood between a choice of parks and play spaces.

It is therefore vital that there are **safe routes** for children to move around their neighbourhoods and between parks as they get older, via pedestrian and bike routes (preferably off road). Such routes are therefore an important factor in the assessment of the value and catchment of play spaces. This is a problem in many parts of Ku-ring-gai where there are no footpaths.

Dependence

In some cases, a larger than usual population may depend upon just one park to meet all of their local play and recreation needs. Such parks are classified as 'high dependence' and will require higher quality provision than might otherwise be expected of a similar sized park elsewhere. Refer to **Map 3**.

'Higher quality' might in such cases mean catering for a broader range of age groups; of activity types, and a higher level of accessibility than would otherwise be the case if there were more parks to choose from.

Diversity for play
within precincts
and parks

Diversity is a fundamentally important concept in the provision of places for play and recreation.

A diverse 'package' of play opportunities needs to be available within any one suburb or precinct (such as the parks, open spaces, play equipment, bushland, plazas, rivers or creeks, pedestrian zones and any other public spaces where children might play). This is critical in planning, design and management for play.

When a precinct contains more than one park or play space, the provision for play must be different in each park within that precinct so that children and families have access to a diverse range of play settings.

As some children and families will not have opportunities to move far afield, within each park there also needs to be some choice of opportunities and settings. The design of individual parks and parcels of open space needs to take this into account.

Classification of
parks

All parks for play and social/ family recreation are typically classified according to their position in a hierarchy. The classification serves a number of functions, one of which is to determine benchmarks for design and for management and levels of service. The classification also establishes the likely catchment from which users will be drawn, and the role of the park within the parks system.

Refer to the more detailed discussion below.

Refer to Map 1 showing the location of all Ku-ring-gai Council suburbs and play spaces.

TABLE 1 LIST of play spaces in Ku-ring-gai, by Suburb and Classification

Ledger no.	PLAY SPACE	SUBURB	LOCATION	CLASSIFICATION
843307	Gordon Glen	GORDON	55-63 Dumarsq Street	Local
843271	Nar-rang Reserve	GORDON	70 Ridge Street	Local
843350	Gordon Recreation Reserve	GORDON	63A Werona Avenue	District
843133	Darnley Oval/ East Gordon Park	GORDON	Elgin/ Darnley Streets	Local
843157	Allan Small Park	KILLARA EAST	Saiala Road opposite nos.33-41	Local
843152	Jane McGillivray Park	KILLARA EAST	cnr. Eastgate and Fairburn Avenues	Local
843155	Redfield Reserve	KILLARA EAST	cnr. Saiala and Redfield Roads	Local
843311	St Crispens Green	KILLARA	between nos.16-22 Albert Drive	Local
843314	Jinkers Green	KILLARA	between nos.31-33 Charles Street	Local
843318	Ticket of Leave Park	KILLARA	Coronga Cres /Fiddens Wharf Road	Local
843300	St Andrews Forest	KILLARA	between no's 80 and 82 Spencer Road	Local
843309	Honeysuckle Creek Reserve	KILLARA	corner Bowes and Gurin Avenue	Local
843172	Selkirk Park	KILLARA	cnr. Marian Street and Culworth Avenue	Local

Ledger no.	PLAY SPACE	SUBURB	LOCATION	CLASSIFICATION
800540	Greengate Park	KILLARA	Cnr Bruce Ave and Greengate Lane	Local
843365	Killara Park	KILLARA	Stanhope Road	District
843857	Killara Park - Tennis Courts	KILLARA	Koola Avenue - rear of 20-22 Birdwood Avenue	District
843782	Morona Ave Reserve	WAHROONGA	End of Morona Avenue	Local
843235	Sir Robert Menzies Park	WAHROONGA	cnr. Jordan Road and The Comenarra Parkway	Local
843225	Browns Field	WAHROONGA	no.97A Campbell Drive	Local
843216	William Lewis Park	WAHROONGA	corner Fox Valley Road and Lucinda Avenue	Local
843211	The Glade Oval	WAHROONGA	cnr. The Glade and Koora Ave south to Tanderra St	District
800351	Curtilage Park	WAHROONGA	1536 Pacific Hwy opposite Warrawee bowling club; next to Mahratta	Local
843	Balcombe Park	WAHROONGA	12 Woonona St	Local
843058	Wahroonga Park	WAHROONGA	Coonanbarra Road between Illoura Avenue Millewa Avenue and Stuart Street	District
843055	Eldinhope Green	WAHROONGA	opposite no.8 Morris Avenue	Local
843052	Cherrywood Reserve	WAHROONGA	no.9A Bunyana Avenue through to between nos.12 and 14 Cherrywood Avenue	Local
843002	Eric Evans Park	NORTH WAHROONGA	between 33 and 35 Barton Close	Local

Ledger no.	PLAY SPACE	SUBURB	LOCATION	CLASSIFICATION
843062	McMahon Park	NORTH WAHROONGA	between nos.70 and 72 Curtin Avenue	Local
843005	Golden Jubilee Field	NORTH WAHROONGA	end of Westbrook Avenue north side of Esk Street	District
843036	Orange Green	NORTH TURRAMURRA	between nos.16 and 24 Allara Avenue	Local
843006	Samuel King Oval (North Turramurra Park)	NORTH TURRAMURRA	east side of Bobbin Head Road opposite nos.289-299	Local
843210	Gwydir Avenue Reserve	NORTH TURRAMURRA	cnr. Stonecrop Road and Gwydir Avenue	Local
843013	Guiders Park	NORTH TURRAMURRA	no.34 Glengarry Avenue	Local
000710	St Colombans Park	NORTH TURRAMURRA	Bobbin Head Road	Local
843232	Mitchell Crescent Reserve	WARRAWEE	16 & 18 Mitchell Cres. to behind 16-22 Mitchell Cres.	Local
843218	Roland Reserve	WARRAWEE	between 40-46 Roland Avenue	Local
843327	Abingdon Road Reserve	LINDFIELD	corner Eton Road and Abingdon Road	Local
843321	Edenborough Park	LINDFIELD	end of Edenborough Road	Local
843173	Ibbitson Park	LINDFIELD	cnr. Wolseley Road to railway line	Local
843163	Lindfield Soldiers Memorial Park	LINDFIELD	opposite nos.91-115 Tryon Road (next to no.64 Tryon Road)	District
843328	Paddy Pallin Reserve	LINDFIELD	between nos.47-49A Highfield Road and 42-44 Provincial Road	Local

Ledger no.	PLAY SPACE	SUBURB	LOCATION	CLASSIFICATION
843339	Princes Park/Primula Oval	LINDFIELD	cnr. Highfield Road and Primula Street	Local
843330	Two Turners Reserve	LINDFIELD	between nos.24-26 Gladstone Parade	Local
843322	Airman's Park	LINDFIELD	southern end of Bradfield Road opposite nos.147-153	Local
843316	Queen Elizabeth Reserve	LINDFIELD	Bradfield Road corner Charles Street	District
843861	Queen Elizabeth Reserve - Tennis Courts	LINDFIELD	between Bradfield Road and opposite 25-29 Edmund Street	District
843652	Carlyle Road Reserve	LINDFIELD EAST	between 48 & 52 Carlyle Road	Local
843178	Dukes Green	LINDFIELD EAST	11 Wellington Road (East Lindfield Shops)	Local
843187	Follies Park	LINDFIELD EAST	next to no.11 Canberra Crescent	Local
843179	Pleasant Avenue Reserve	LINDFIELD EAST	1A Pleasant Avenue	Local
843073	Bannockburn Oval	PYMBLE	cnr. Bannockburn Road and Birubi Avenue	Local
843784	Kendall Green	PYMBLE	27 Kendall Street	Local
843080	Robert Pymble Park	PYMBLE	between Park Crescent and Alma Street	District
843130	Yarrowonga Reserve	PYMBLE	no.3 Yarrowonga Close	Local
843208	Bancroft Park	ROSEVILLE	between nos.43 and 47 Bancroft Avenue	Local
800600	East Roseville Community Centre	ROSEVILLE	cnr. Park Ave & Babbage Rd	Local

Ledger no.	PLAY SPACE	SUBURB	LOCATION	CLASSIFICATION
843333	Loyal Henry Park (West Roseville Park)	ROSEVILLE	next to no.45 Thomas Avenue south to next to no.48 Bromborough Road west to behind Abingdon Road	Local
843871	Roseville Park	ROSEVILLE	between 60 Clanville Road and Cranbrook Avenue	District
843198	Echo Point Park	ROSEVILLE CHASE	Middle Harbour foreshore opposite no 80 Babbage Road	Local
000711	Babbage Park	ROSEVILLE CHASE	Cnr Malga Ave and Babbage Rd	Local
843255	Balmaringa Reserve	SOUTH TURRAMURRA	corner Balmaringa Avenue and Auluba Road	Local
843263	City View Park (East End)	SOUTH TURRAMURRA	adjacent to no's 15 and 17 Geoffrey Street	Local
843245	Hicks Avenue Reserve	SOUTH TURRAMURRA	Corner Hicks and Parkinson Avenues	Local
843259	Kissing Point Village Green	SOUTH TURRAMURRA	cnr. Vernon Street and Kissing Point Road	District
843090	Athena Avenue Reserve	ST IVES	opposite no.30 Athena Avenue cnr. Hayle Street	Local
843134	Barra Brui Playing Field	ST IVES	entrance through no.2A Burraneer Avenue opposite no.2	Local
843086	Blackburn Reserve	ST IVES	cnr.Blackburn Street and Acron Road	Local
843021	Green Valley Reserve	ST IVES	no.20 Greenvalley Avenue	Local
843025	Hassal Park	ST IVES	no.352 Mona Vale Road between Mawson and Palm Streets	District
843022	Ku-ring-gai Wildflower Garden	ST IVES	no.420 Mona Vale Road	Regional

Ledger no.	PLAY SPACE	SUBURB	LOCATION	CLASSIFICATION
843115	Melaleuca Drive Park	ST IVES	between nos.39-47 Melaleuca Drive	Local
843030	Memorial Avenue Reserve	ST IVES	no.59 Memorial Avenue	Local
843107	Putarri Avenue Reserve	ST IVES	cnr. Putarri Avenue and Rosedale Road	Local
843024	St Ives Showground. Playground # 6	ST IVES	no.450 Mona Vale Road	Regional
843024	St Ives Showground. Playground # 4	ST IVES	no.450 Mona Vale Road	Regional
843024	St Ives Showground. Playground # 7	ST IVES	no.450 Mona Vale Road	Regional
843120	The Mall Reserve	ST IVES	158 Warrimoo Avenue adj.Shops	Local
843031	St Ives Village Green	ST IVES	PLAY SPACE near skatepark at St Ives Village Green	District
843091	Willis Avenue Reserve	ST IVES	no.14 Willis Avenue	Local
843113	Yarrabung Reserve	ST IVES	no.59B Yarrabung Road	Local
000709	Lapwing Reserve	ST IVES	14-18 Carcoola Rd	Local
843019	Warrimoo Oval	ST IVES CHASE	north of no.157 Warrimoo Avenue to opposite Gould Avenue east to behind nos.39-43 Dalton Road	Local
843039	Kent Playing Field	TURRAMURRA	south end of Kent Road and west end of Chester Road	Local
843044	Cameron Park	TURRAMURRA	cnr. Eastern Road and Gilroy Road	Local

Ledger no.	PLAY SPACE	SUBURB	LOCATION	CLASSIFICATION
8430254	Comenarra Playing Field	TURRAMURRA	opposite end Forwood Avenue Comenarra Parkway adjacent no.61	Local
843230	Duff Street Park	TURRAMURRA	Corner Duff and Cornwall Avenue	Local
TBC	Allan Ave Reserve	TURRAMURRA	Duff Street, Allan Ave and Holmes Street	Local
843247	Hamilton Park	TURRAMURRA	no.82 Kissing Point Road and between Boronia Avenue and Barellan Avenue	Local
843237	Howson Oval	TURRAMURRA	oval adjacent to no.39 Howson Avenue	Local
843040	Irish Town Grove	TURRAMURRA	opposite no.19 Adams Avenue south-west to cnr. Princes Lane/ Bannockburn Rd	Local
843251	Rofe Park/ Mimosa Oval	TURRAMURRA	no.40 Mimosa Road	Local
843042	Turramurra Memorial Park	TURRAMURRA	cnr Karuah Road and Eastern Road	District
843246	Yeramba Street Reserve	TURRAMURRA	cnr. Yeramba Street and Acacia Close	Local
843282	Applegum Way	WEST PYMBLE	next to no.11 Hillary Street through to next to no.12 Jugiong Street	Local
843298	Bandalong Reserve	WEST PYMBLE	corner Bandalong and Bolwarra Ave	Local
843289	Peewee Park	WEST PYMBLE	no.37 Kiparra Street opp.Dunoon Ave	Local
843288	Ku-ring-gai Bicentennial Park	WEST PYMBLE	End of Prince of Wales Drive.	Regional
843285	Bicentennial Park Lofberg Playground	WEST PYMBLE	cnr. Lofberg Road and Shaddock Avenue to opposite Grayling Road	Regional

Ledger no.	PLAY SPACE	SUBURB	LOCATION	CLASSIFICATION
843291	Boronga Avenue Reserve	WEST PYMBLE	Boronga Avenue opposite no.11-17	Local
843294	Claire Taylor Park	WEST PYMBLE	end of Camira Street	Local
843266	Frogmore Park	WEST PYMBLE	No.35 Wyomee Avenue to Warrowa Place	Local
843279	Phillip Lane Park	WEST PYMBLE	Yanko Rd/ Kendall St/Phillip Lane	Local
843265	Ramsay Avenue Reserve	WEST PYMBLE	Ramsay Avenue opposite end Evans St	Local
843281	Sequoia Close Park	WEST PYMBLE	No.4 Sequoia Close	local

3. assessment reports of play spaces in Ku-ring-gai, by suburb

Introduction to the Play Space Assessments

The individual PLAY SPACE assessments overleaf are grouped by Suburb. Refer to Table 1 to establish the suburb for each individual site.

Each suburb has been further divided into Precincts.

The assessments firstly describe the suburb overview, then the precinct overview, and finally a site by site assessment followed by a summary and recommendations.

A priority for action has been allocated as per the following summary.

Actions and Priorities

Following the assessment of each play space, a list of recommendations has been prepared, and these have been summarised. in the following pages.

Three levels of priority have been allocated to play spaces, as follows:

**Priority High
within five years**

Play spaces that need the most urgent attention due to demographic/demand factors, high levels of dependency, and/or those where the quality of the play space do not meet the needs of the community.

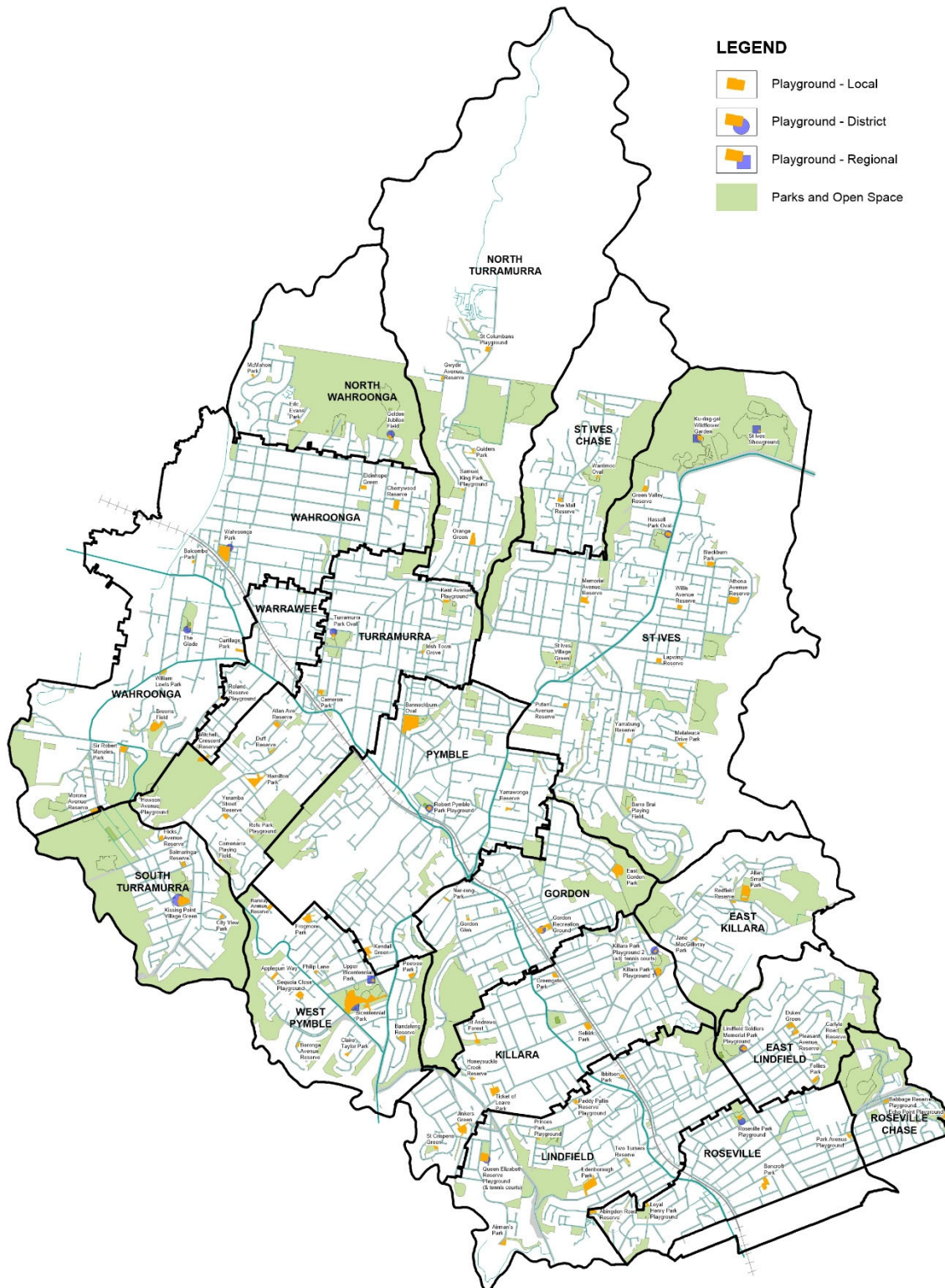
**Priority Medium
within ten years**

Play spaces where the current design is outdated; where there is a relatively high level of dependence on the space and where an upgrade would make a big difference to users

**Priority Low
within ten to
twenty years
or as required
(reviewed annually)**

Areas where there is no urgency to re-design the play space except for minor improvements as described in the Play Space Assessments and in the audit reports following safety inspections.

Precincts and Play Spaces in Ku-ring-gai – Location Map



MAP 1 Location of Play spaces and Suburbs in Ku-ring-gai LGA

North Turramurra

NORTH TURRAMURRA OVERVIEW

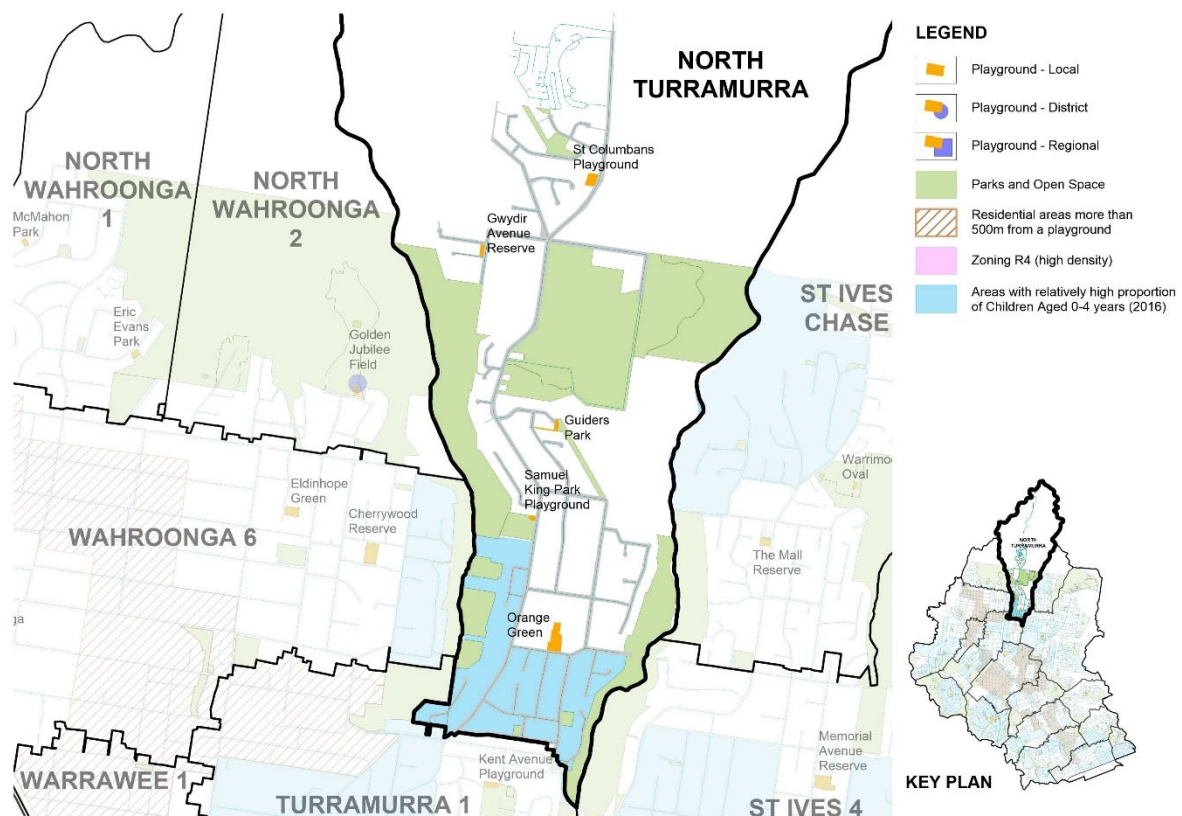
North Turramurra is a long narrow suburb at the extreme north of the municipality. Like St Ives Chase, it juts out into the Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park.



In the southern end of this suburb there is a high proportion of children in the population.

This suburb is experiencing growth in medium density housing which is probably explained by the large number of seniors living here.

There are five play spaces in this suburb, all of local classification.

Four of these local spaces offer only basic play value and are lacking access and variety which can be improved when they are upgraded.



NORTH TURRAMURRA		
RESERVE / Address	CLASS	
Orange Green Allara Ave	Local	 <p>This is a well located reserve on a prominent site with an attractive tree framework and a gentle slope. It backs onto a primary school. It is within an area with a high proportion of children in the population.</p> <p>The equipment here comprises a swing, climbing unit and carousel. It is reported to have reached the end of its useful life.</p>
Samuel King Park 289 Bobbin Head Rd	Local	 <p>This is a fenced park with a single oval surrounded by a framework of trees. The play space is located in a corner adjacent to Bobbin Head Road.</p> <p>The equipment, comprising a Kompan unit, see-saw, daisy swing & swing is reported to be still in good order, though it is ageing.</p>

NORTH TURRAMURRA

Guiders Park
Glengarry Ave

Local



This play space is located at the end of a street on the edge of a bushland reserve. There is a low possibility of public surveillance. It comprises only a single swing.

Gwydir Ave Reserve
Gwydir Ave

Local



This small corner park has some attractive trees. The play space comprises only a swing, a freestanding slide and a bin. The equipment has fairly low play value and is reported to be at the end of its useful life. The park is prominent.

NORTH TURRAMURRA**St Columbans****Local**

This Play space is part of a new development; the park, seats and swings are accessible via a path system.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Orange Green**

- Because of this good prominent location, upgrade in concert with the adjacent school to become an accessible District level play space
- **Priority high**

Samuel King Park

- No immediate work required.
- Retain a local play space here for use during sports and other oval uses
- Future upgrades should take into account any new development at Orange Green
- **Priority low**

Gwydir Ave Reserve

- This park should be upgraded with a new small local play space better located within the reserve, to also allow for a kickabout space. As the park is very narrow, a non-obtrusive fence may be appropriate here (but is not mandatory).
- The new design should complement the design of the St Columbans play space (ie not duplicate any aspect of it)
- Some natural elements may sit well here as play elements in this natural setting.
- **Priority low**

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NORTH TURRAMURRA**Guiders Park**

- Remove this equipment and do not replace.
- Investigate options for disposal.

St Columbans

- No action required
- **Priority Low**

North Wahroonga



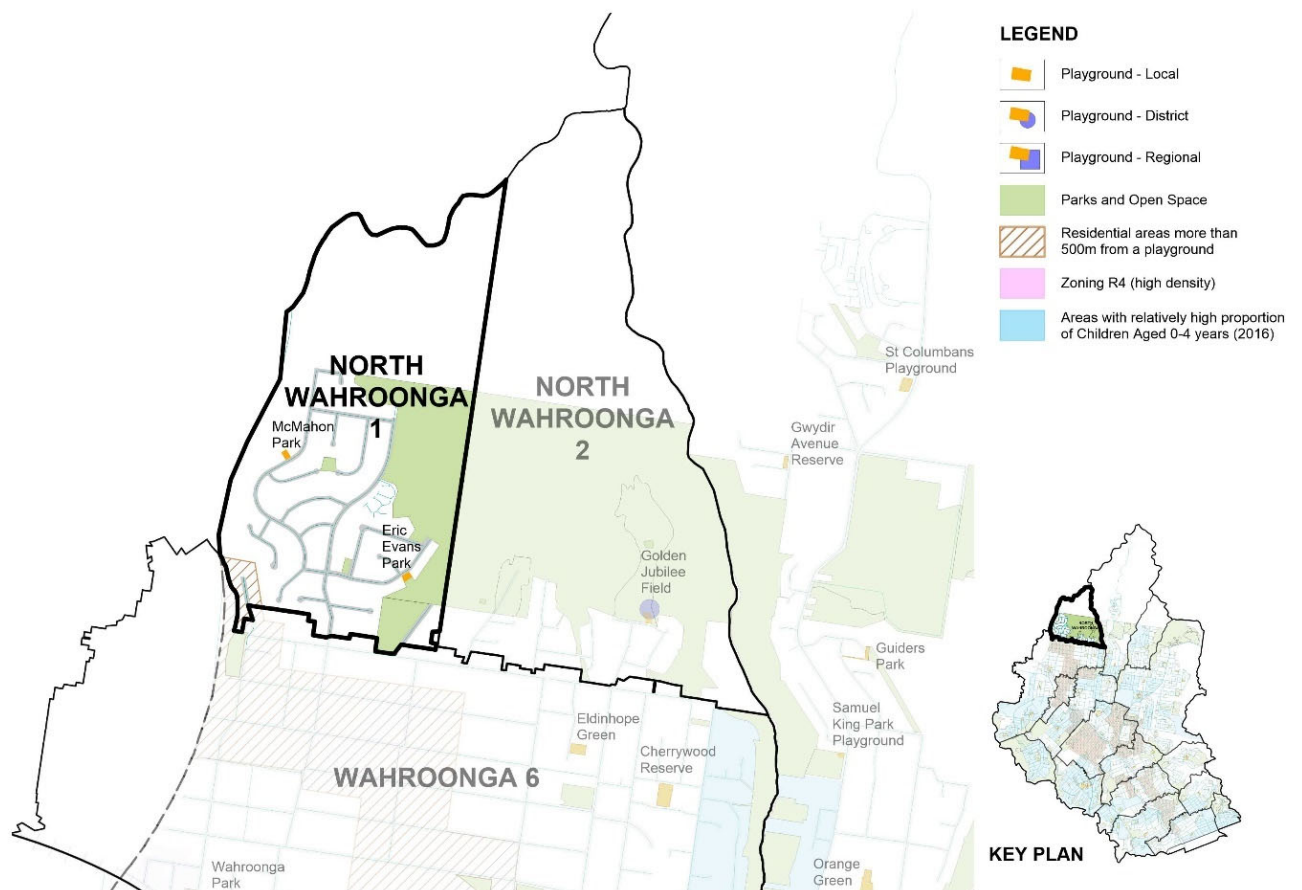
NORTH WAHROONGA OVERVIEW

North Wahroonga forms the north western corner of the municipality. The residential area is quite small with only three play spaces. The suburb backs onto the large Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park.



Though small, the suburb has two precincts. Both are well served by parkland.

NORTH WAHROONGA PRECINCT 1

This precinct is located to the west and has two play spaces. There is generally a high availability of open space, nature reserve and private open space.



NORTH WAHROONGA PRECINCT 1

RESERVE / Address	CLASS	
Eric Evans Reserve Barton Close	Local	 <p>This is a very attractive site set on the edge of Fraser Park- a larger reserve with dense bushland.</p> <p>The equipment here comprises a climbing unit, swings, & spring rocker. This is reported to older equipment, but in good order.</p>
McMahon Park Curtin Ave	Local	 <p>This is a small house-block sized reserve, backing onto the National Park. The equipment here comprises a swing and a freestanding slide. This is reported to be older equipment but in good order. The play value is very low.</p>

SUMMARY RECOMMENDATIONS**Eric Evans Park**

- No urgent action required
- **Priority low**

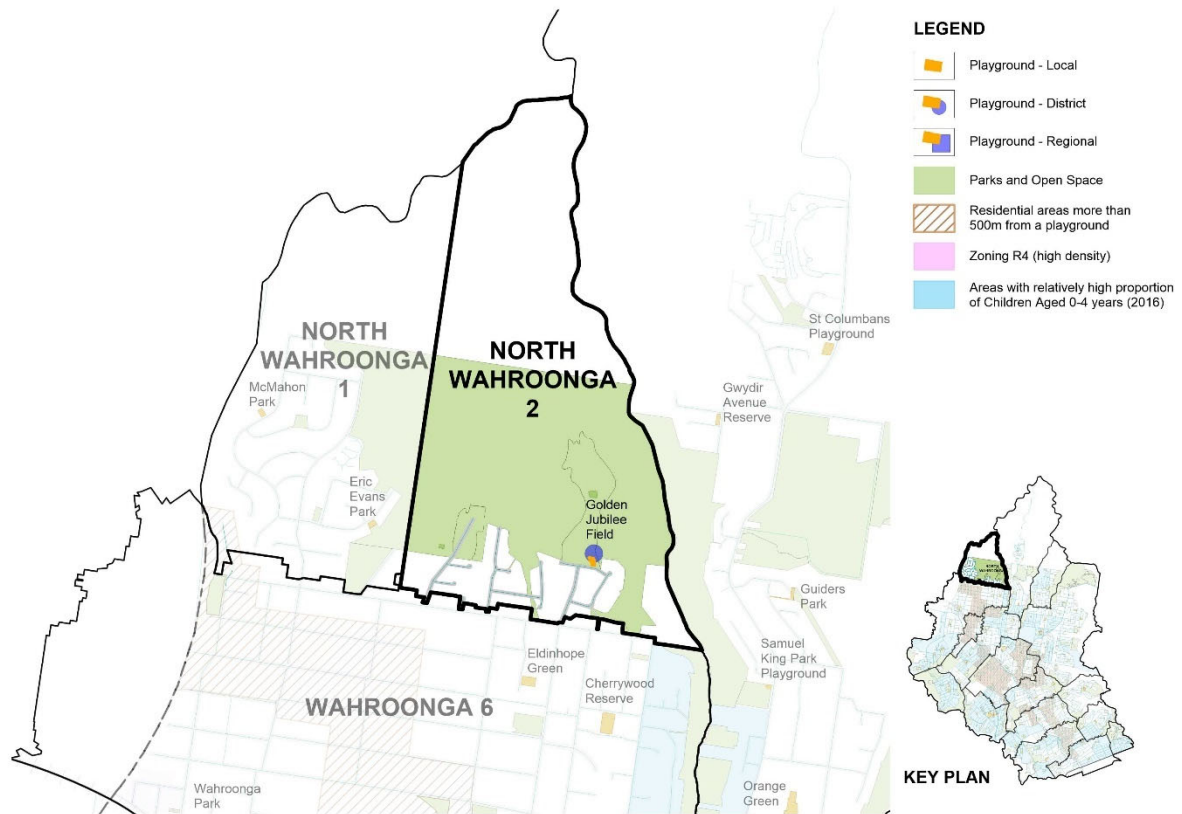
McMahon Park

- This play space should be re-designed when it reaches the end of its useful life. The new space should offer quite different experiences from Eric Evans Park.
- The new design should be very low key and should respond to the bush setting. Swings and rocking and spinning opportunities are excellent and important basic play activities but these are readily available in most other parks and there are many alternatives that provide children with a different set of opportunities for self directed play. Climbing boulders, logs and possibly net bridges could add to the opportunities of a new play space that blends with the adjacent bushland and encourages further exploration.

- **Priority medium**

NORTH WAHROONGA PRECINCT 2

This small precinct forms the eastern half of North Wahroonga. It has only one play space.



NORTH WAHROONGA PRECINCT 2

District

Golden Jubilee Field
Westbrook Ave



This play space is situated on the corner of an oval with baseball pitches, and a nearby mountain bike trail. The reserve juts out into the national park and is quite remote from most of the residential areas. It is close to the top of the ridge with good views. The equipment here was replaced in 2017. There is a path nearby but no picnic facilities.

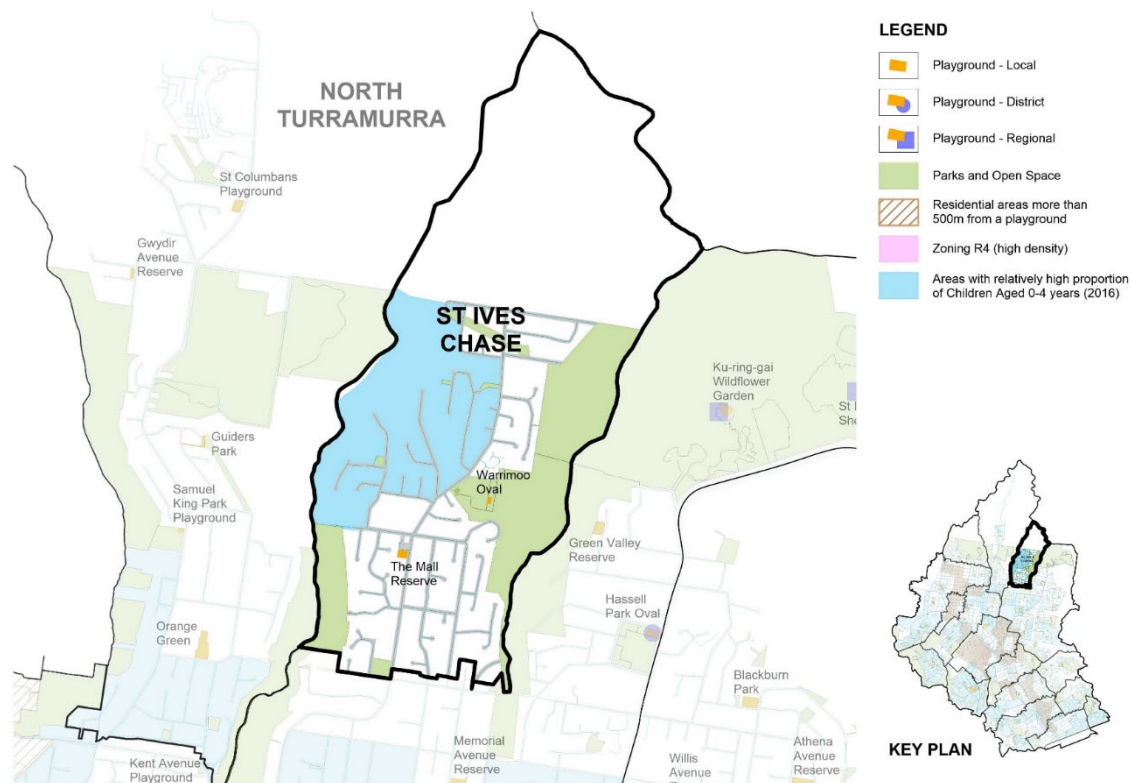
SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS

Golden Jubilee Field

- The play space was upgraded in 2017. No further action.

- **Priority Low**

St Ives Chase



ST IVES CHASE OVERVIEW

St Ives Chase is a small suburb at the north of the municipality, forming an extension of St Ives north of Toolang Rd. There is a high proportion of children in the population in area on the northwest corner of this suburb.

Nature reserves surround this suburb on the northern, eastern and western sides of the suburb. There are two play spaces in this suburb and both are of relatively high dependence, due to the reasonably large catchment.

ST IVES CHASE

RESERVE / Address	CLASS	
Warrimoo Oval Warrimoo Ave	Local	 <p>The equipment here was upgraded in 2016/7</p>
The Mall Reserve Warrimoo Ave	Local	 <p>This is an attractive small fenced park adjacent to the shops. The equipment is new.</p>

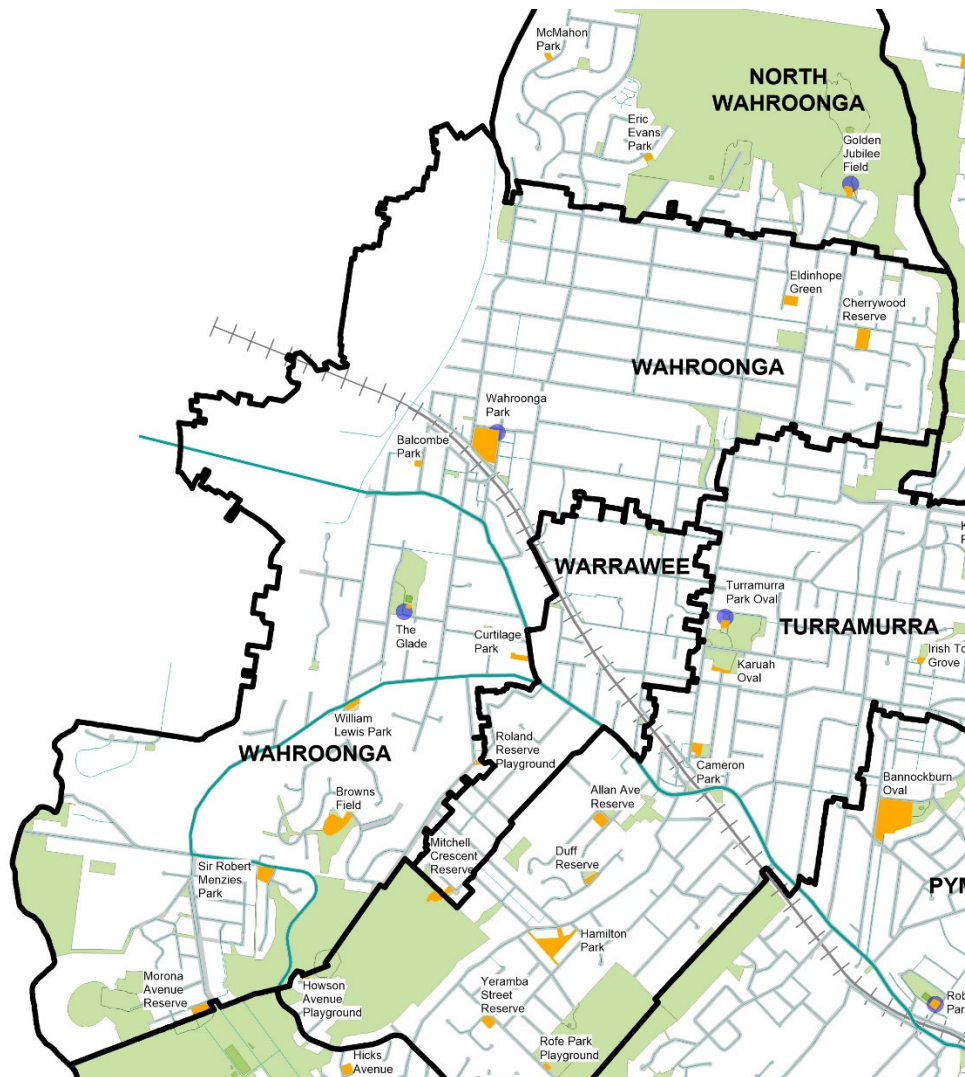
SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Warrimoo Oval**

- Upgrade Warrimoo Oval play space and make sure that this is completely different in character, style and range of activities from the Mall Reserve play space.
- **Priority medium.**

The Mall Reserve

- this site was upgraded in 2017, including an accessible link between park and shops, accessible parking, a shelter and furniture, and some new play equipment.
- No action required.
- **Priority Low**

Wahroonga



WAHROONGA OVERVIEW

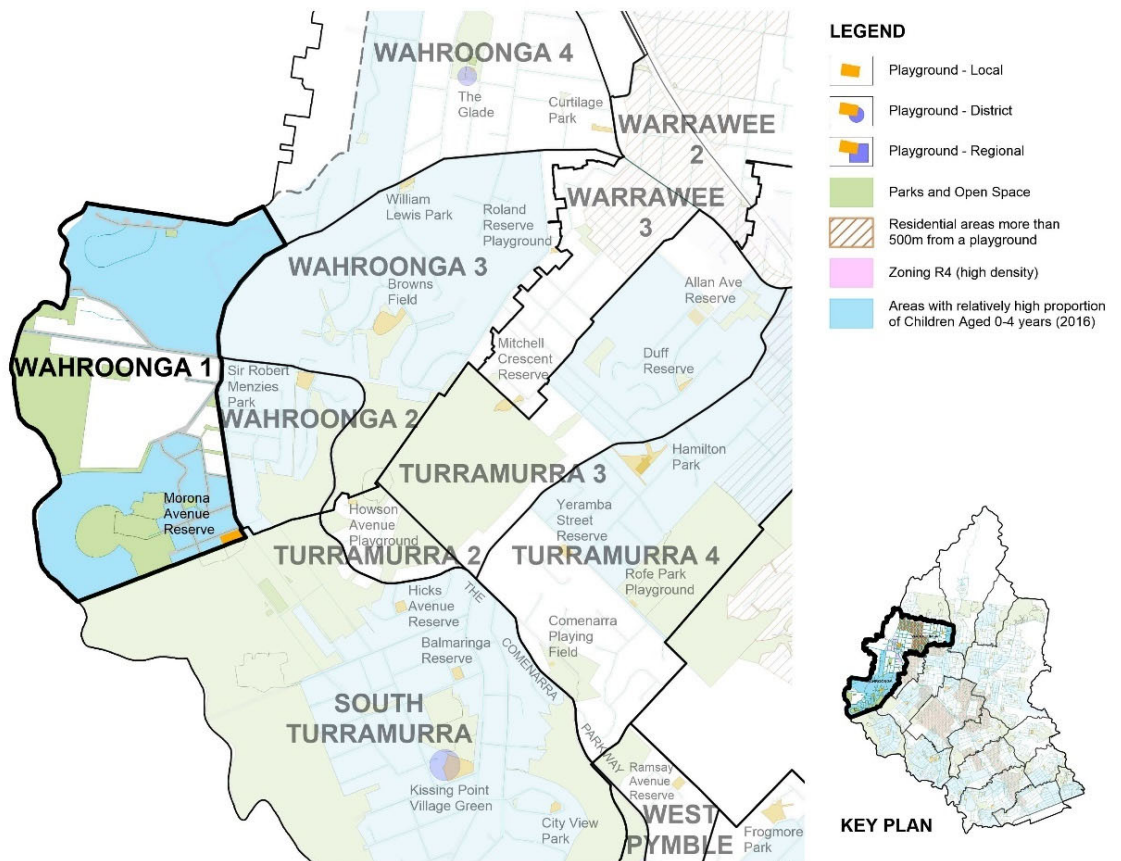
Wahroonga forms the western boundary of the municipality. It is divided approximately in half by the Pacific Highway and railway line and is further divided by the Fox Valley Road and Comenarra Parkway, forming six precincts in total.

There is a high proportion of children in the population, as well as some pockets of medium and high density housing, which is growing, especially in the zone close to the railway line.


WAHROONGA PRECINCT 1

This precinct is located in the south western corner of Wahroonga, south west of Fox Valley Rd. There are only small pockets of residential areas located along ridges above nature reserves of dense bushland.

There is only one play space here. There is generally a high availability of open space, nature reserve and private open space so this situation appears to be generally adequate.



WAHROONGA PRECINCT 1

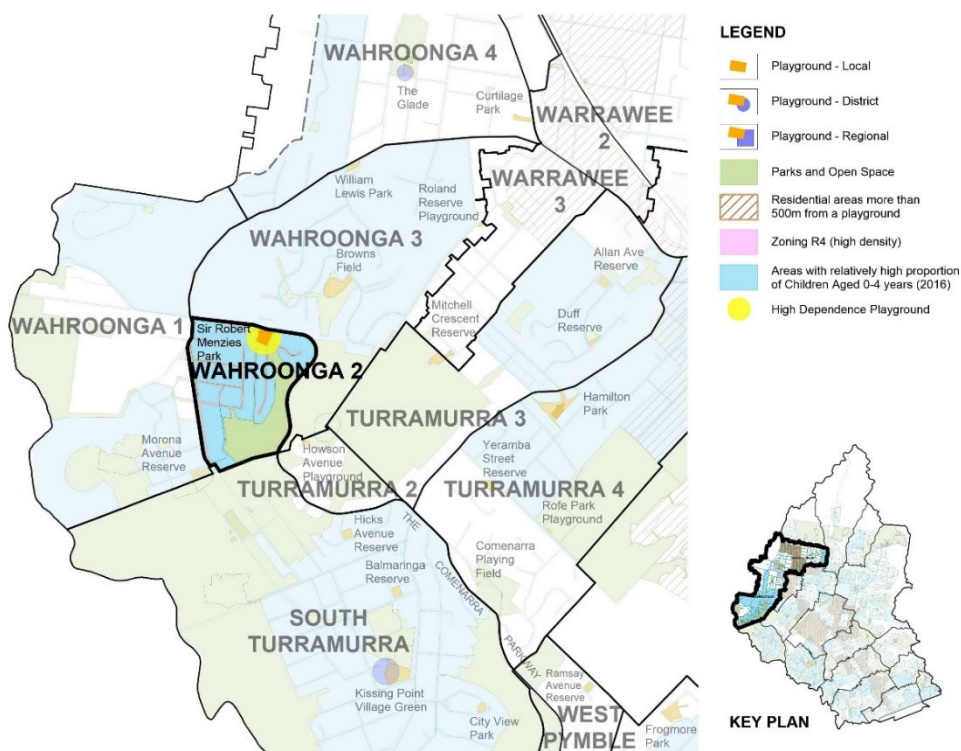
RESERVE / Address	CLASS	
Morona Ave Reserve Leuna Ave/ Morona Ave	Local	 <p>This is the only play space in this precinct. It is a park of high dependence.</p> <p>This play space is located in a good sized reserve at the backs of houses and addressing the nature reserve. It is not prominently located but there are four tennis courts and the reserve is large enough to attract visitors.</p> <p>The play space has been upgraded in 2019</p> <p>Note the site is geographically listed as in Turramurra South Precinct.</p>

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Morona Ave Reserve**

- This site is the dog off leash area for this precinct and is well used.
- It has a gazebo for shade and meeting.
- This site was upgraded in 2019. There are some appealing nature/ imaginative play areas within the fence. There are now some accessible play opportunities and a lot of care has been taken to create accessible routes through the space. It would be beneficial to add an activity onto the cubby deck to provide something to do from a wheelchair here. The speaker tube that could have served this purpose has been located off the deck and in the mulch where it is not accessible. The musical panel that is intended (on the plan) to be wheelchair accessible is not on the accessible surface and is also not positioned so a wheelchair user could use it front on. it is recommended that these be addressed.
- **Priority Low**

WAHROONGA PRECINCT 2

This small precinct is cut off between the Comenarra Parkway and Fox Valley Rd. There is only one play space in this precinct, which has a high proportion of children.



WAHROONGA PRECINCT 2

Sir Robert Menzies Park
Jordan Rd/
Comenarra Pkway

Local



This is a very attractive park carved out of a sloping site with a good framework of trees and bushland. The equipment here comprises a climbing unit, swing & footy challenge. It is older but reported to be in good order.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS

Sir Robert Menzies Park

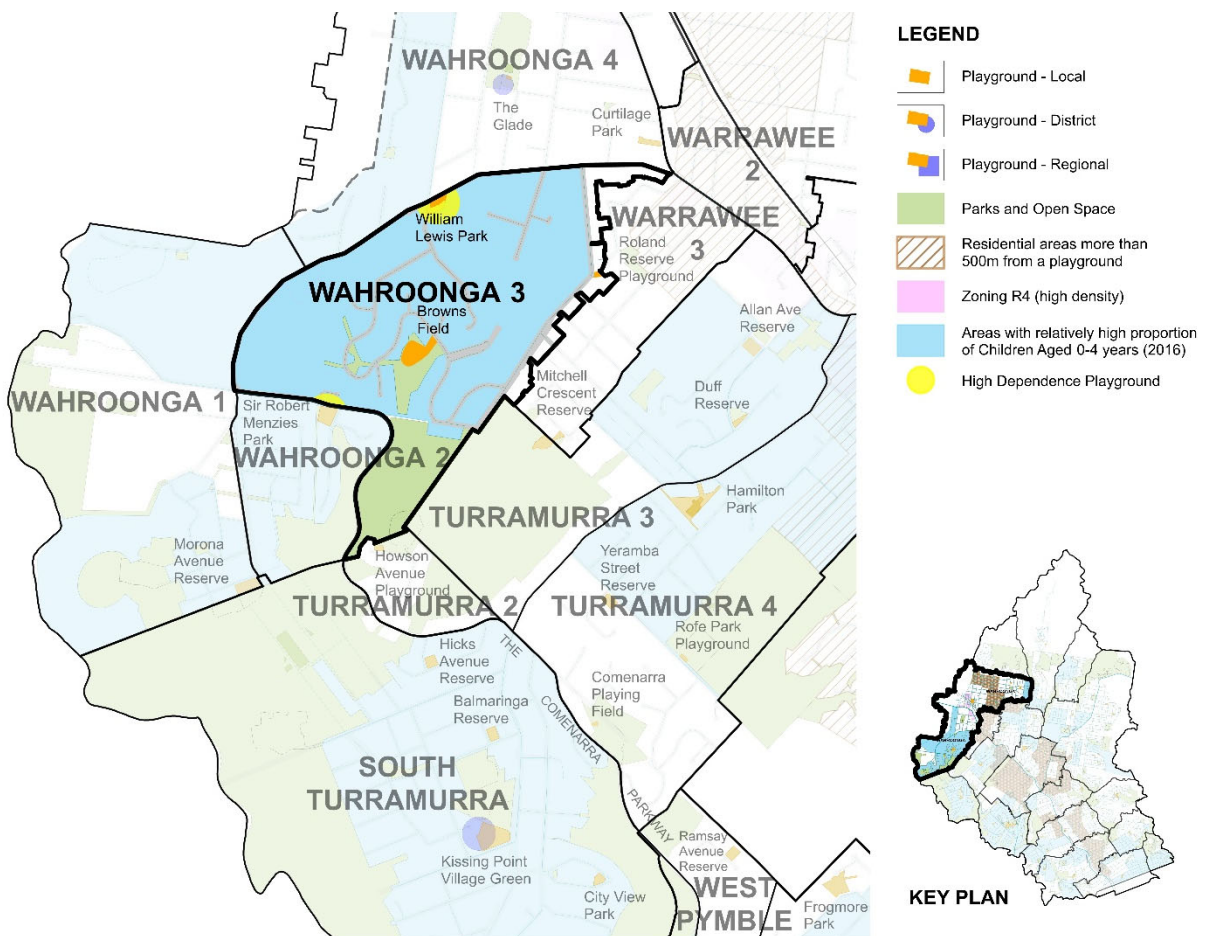
- Given the relatively high dependence upon this park and play space, it is recommended that this play space should receive some additional play development, especially of some natural elements to extend the play and to reflect the natural setting.
- Check that there is a path into the reserve and some accessible furniture.
- Priority medium**

WAHROONGA PRECINCT 3

This precinct is east of Fox Valley Road.

There is a high proportion of children in the population here.

The lack of a connected road layout means that the play spaces have quite disconnected distinct local catchments. Many of the residential lots are very large and there is no apparent shortage of private open space here.



WAHROONGA PRECINCT 3

Browns Field
Campbell Dr

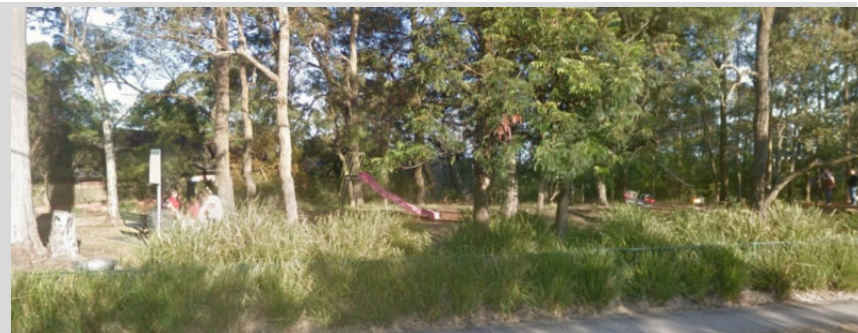
Local



This play space is located alongside with some sports fields cut into an attractive sloping bushland site. It appears to be relatively central but is not really accessible to any but the most local residents. The play space comprises only a swing and a slide in poor condition.

William Lewis Park
Fox Valley Rd /
Lucinda Ave

Local



This is a local play space with EEC constraints and adjacent to a busy road. The park is a good-sized, attractively treed reserve on a good prominent site. The play space comprises a swing, see-saw, free standing slide and a rocker and offers low play value for the size of the catchment that depends upon it.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Browns Field**

- This play equipment should be removed.
- The open space around the oval could be enhanced by some climbing logs or similar.
- There is a natural bushwalk and rain forest at the rear of the site that would provide great nature play for children. This should be promoted.
- Consider developing an embankment slide at the front of the site as a focal point for local children to meet and create imaginative play or kick a ball here.
- **Priority medium**

William Lewis Park

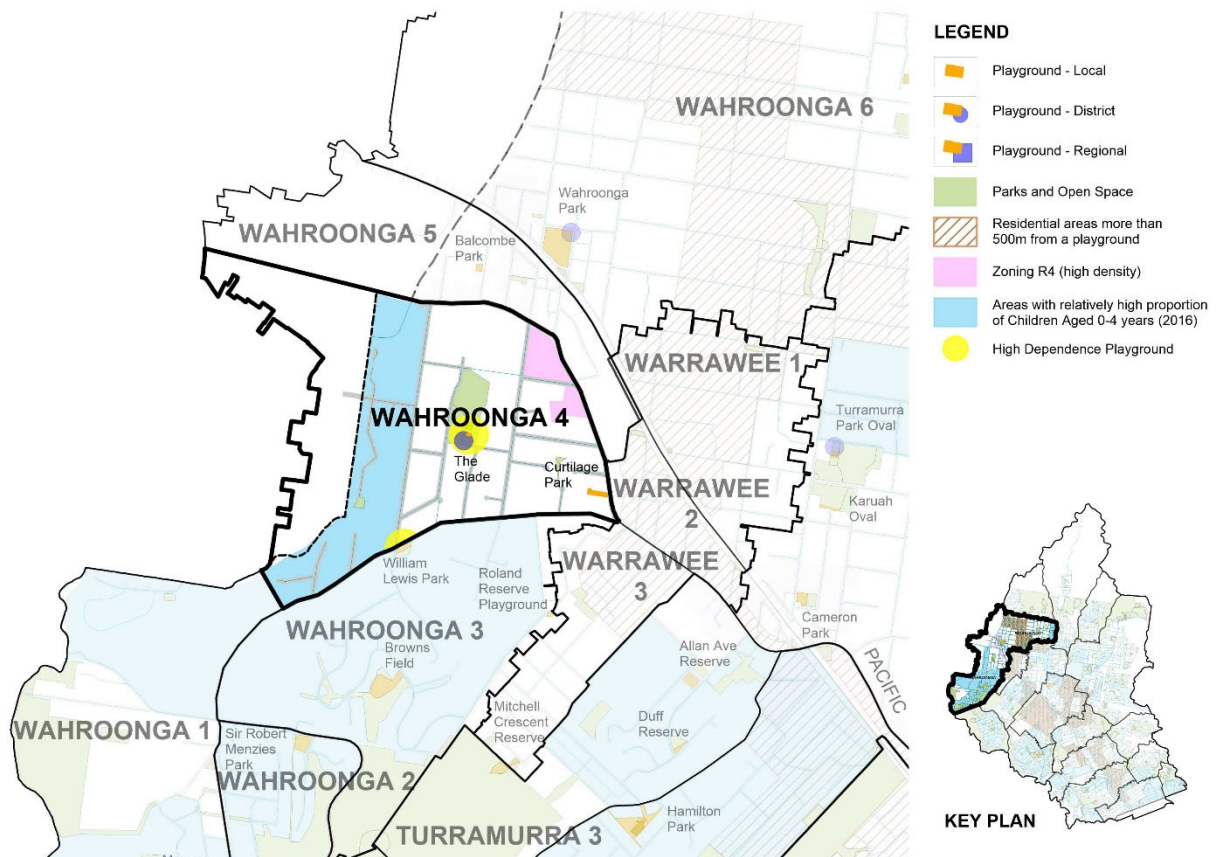
- This is the more prominently located park/play space in this precinct and is recommended that this be upgraded to a slightly higher level classification such as Local/District, and more attention be paid to creating a more diverse landscape for play for a wider range of age groups.
- Consider adding a ping pong table or similar for older children's physical and social activity.
- Consider adding a perimeter fence

- **Priority medium**

WAHROONGA PRECINCT 4

This precinct is located between Fox Valley Road and the Pacific Highway. It contains at least two schools. It currently has two play spaces, one of which is a large District park. There is some medium density housing developing at the northern end.

None of the play spaces are easily accessible to people with wheelchairs or mobility aids.



WAHROONGA PRECINCT 4

The Glade Oval
The Glade/
Tanderra St

District



This reserve is a good sized park with sports fields, courts, a pavilion, and treed grassy woodlands in a very lovely, bowl-shaped setting. It is centrally located and reasonably accessible to most residents here.

The equipment comprises a climbing unit with spiral slide, swing, rocker & boat spinner. It is approaching the end of its useful life.

Curtilage Park
1540 Pacific Hwy

Local



This site has a narrow opening onto the Pacific Highway and is an attractive green refuge from the busy traffic.

The equipment is relatively new and is set on a rubber surface. It comprises a swing, climbing unit, spring animals and a carousel.

The rubber surface does provide physical access to the play area, but the actual activities of the space are not easy for inclusion.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**The Glade Oval**

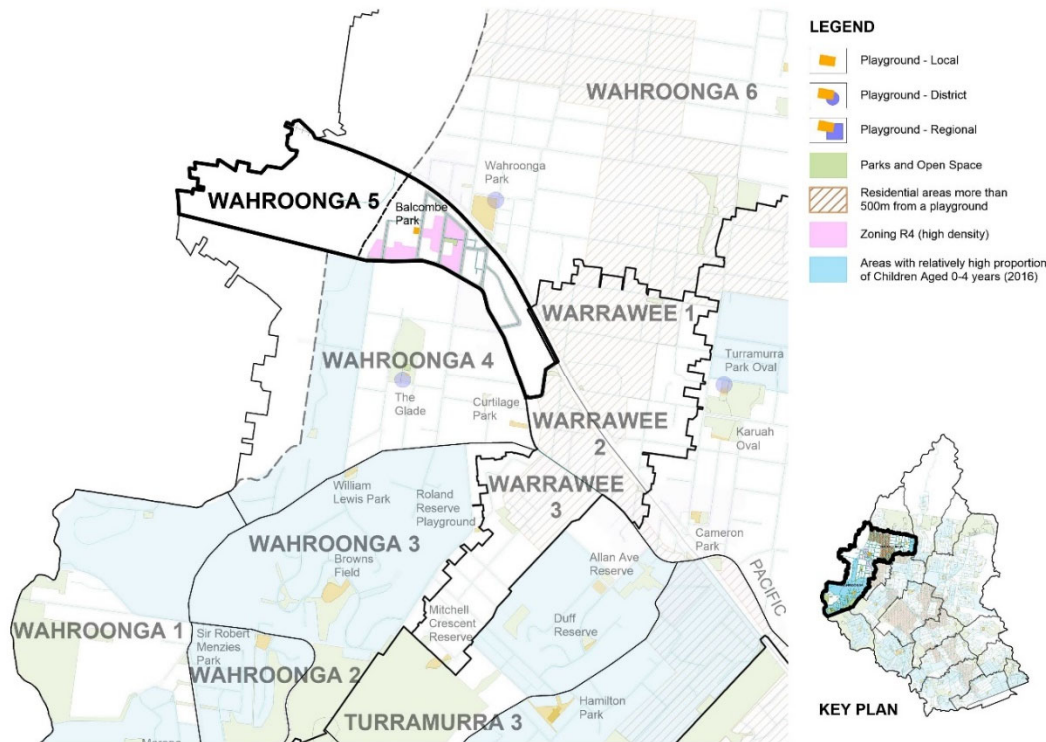
- This site will be subject of a landscape master-plan which will include a play space design offering increased play value and access.
- There is a picnic shelter next to the play space that can be reconfigured to provide a better connection to the play area.
- Incorporate a cycle and jogging path.
- **Priority high**

Curtilage Park

- Investigate ways of adding a few more inclusive activities accessible from the rubber surface, when funds become available.
- **Priority low**

WAHROONGA PRECINCT 5

This small precinct is set between the railway line and the Pacific Highway. There is only one small park here but the residential catchment is quite small.



WAHROONGA PRECINCT 5

Balcombe Park
Woonona St

Local



This site is constrained by its heritage significance as curtilage to 'The Briars' state listed heritage house. The play equipment comprises a swing frame and one spring toy. There is some rubber surfacing and a swing seat with back support and possibly a harness, which makes this usable for many children with a disability. There is some new planting and seating on this site. This is a park of high dependence even though the catchment of users is possibly quite small.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS

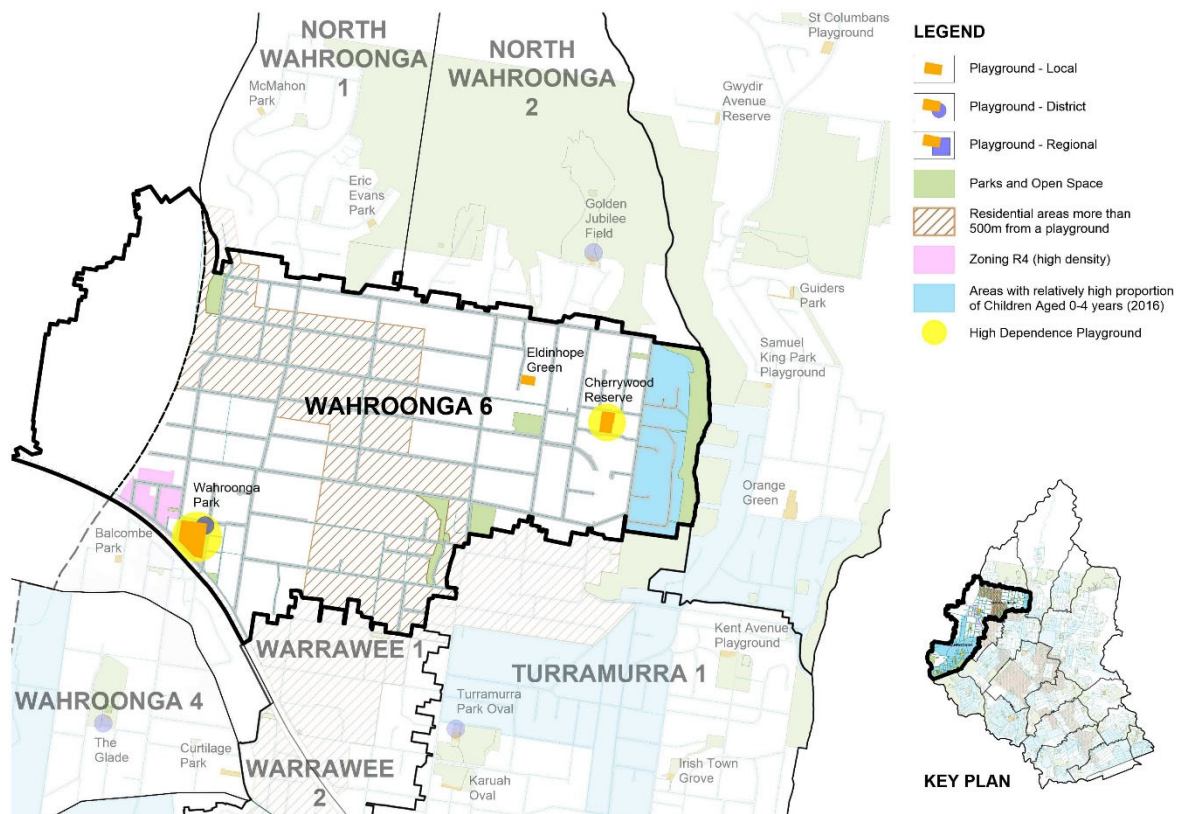
Balcombe Park

- No requirements for action.
- **Priority low**

WAHROONGA PRECINCT 6

This large precinct is located north of the railway line. There are at least three schools within this precinct. There is a large area in the centre of the precinct which is not served by play spaces. There is not an especially high proportion of children in the population here.

The south western corner of the precinct, south of Wahroonga Park, has a fast growing number of high density dwellings, which will place additional pressure upon parks, natural areas and play spaces.



WAHROONGA PRECINCT 6

Wahroonga Park
Coona-
barra Rd

District



This is an attractive, good-sized urban park, classified as District and well located in a prominent position. It is a heritage classified park. The play space is fenced off within the reserve. The equipment is relatively new and comprises swings, station, train, slide & rocker, senior unit and mast and other activities and caters for older and younger children. The park itself offers a range of spaces and opportunities.

Eldinhope Reserve
Morris Ave

Local



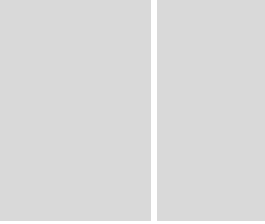
This medium sized site is not very prominent in the precinct but does address a street frontage with good surveillance opportunities.

This is an attractive small reserve. The equipment, comprising a climbing/slide unit, see-saw, spin pole, spring animal & swing was reported as only needing minor repairs.

Cherrywood Reserve
Cherry-
wood Ave

Local





Another very attractive, sloping site. The play space comprises a timber and net frame climber, a junior cubby, spring animal & see saw, a free standing slide, a swing and some balance logs. It is laid out in a rectilinear space that does not maximise much value from the site, although the retaining edges would provide some seating and balancing opportunities.

Warrawee



WARRAWEE OVERVIEW

Warrawee is one of the smaller suburbs within Ku-ring-gai, located between Turramurra and Wahroonga and divided in half by the Pacific Highway/railway line corridor. Children do not comprise a high proportion of the population here, but this suburb has the highest percentage of dwellings in Ku-ring-gai that are high density, and the number of high-density dwellings is growing.

A significant area of Warrawee is ranked as a high priority in Council's 2006 Open Space Acquisition Strategy.

There are only two play spaces in Warrawee, classified as local.

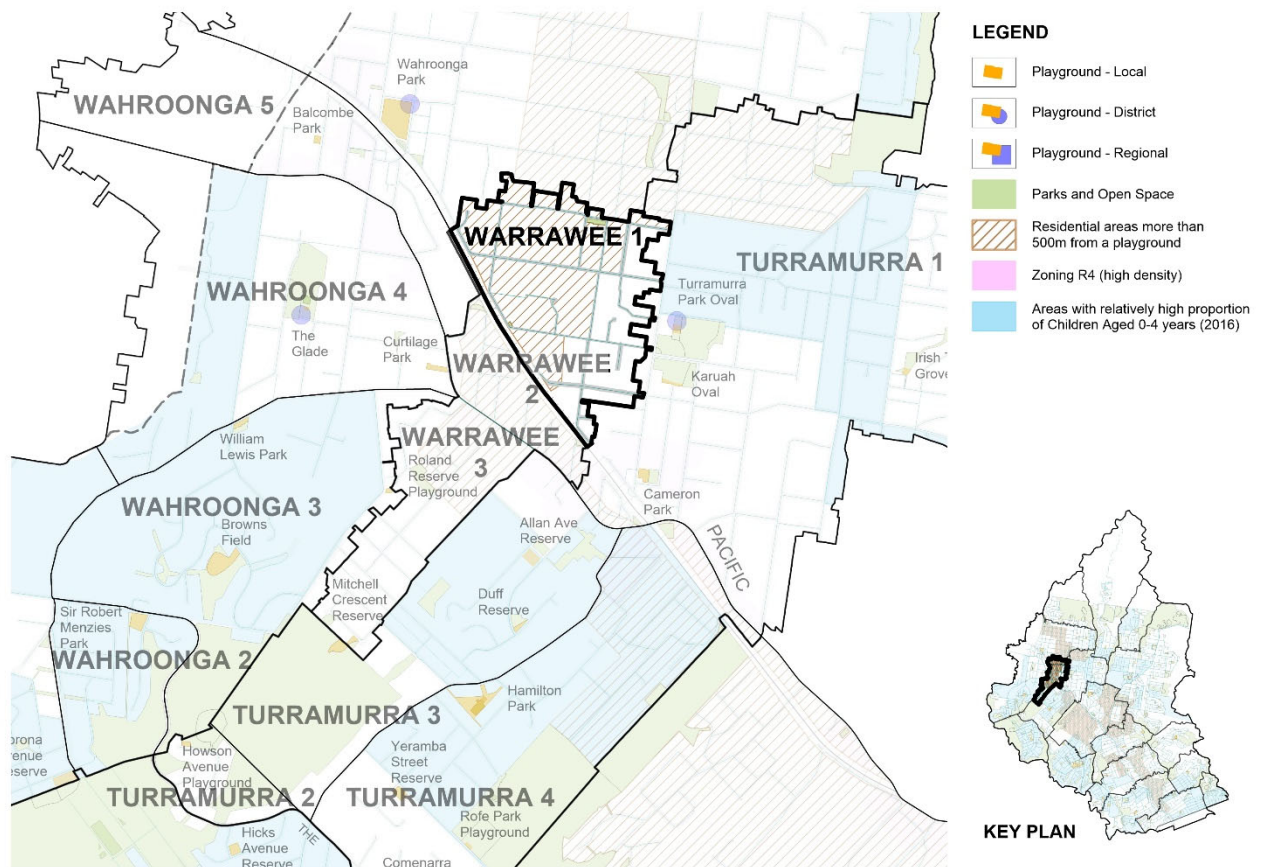
The suburb has been divided here into three precincts, due to the presence of major barriers across the suburb.

WARAWEE PRECINCT 1

This precinct is located north of the railway line. It does not have a play space. The eastern side of this precinct is also served by Turramurra Oval /Karuah Oval play spaces. To the north there is a large area of Wahroonga that also does not have access to any play spaces. This precinct is characterised by large residential blocks, many of which have tennis courts and swimming pools, so children here have access to private play opportunities.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS

- This area is not served by any public play spaces
- It would benefit from access to a good sized reserve with social amenities, and a range of play elements for all ages/abilities. The local park at Sainty Reserve could be developed and accommodate some play activities. This then provides a play facility within walking distance of Turramurra Park and Wahroonga Park.
- The types of activities that might be missing locally could be creative nature play (as in self directed play amongst vegetation, terrain formed by rocks, etc and with some loose natural surfaces and materials such as leaves, twigs, flowers, pebbles etc where children can imagine and create), and also hardcourts and ball games for older children.
- **Priority high**



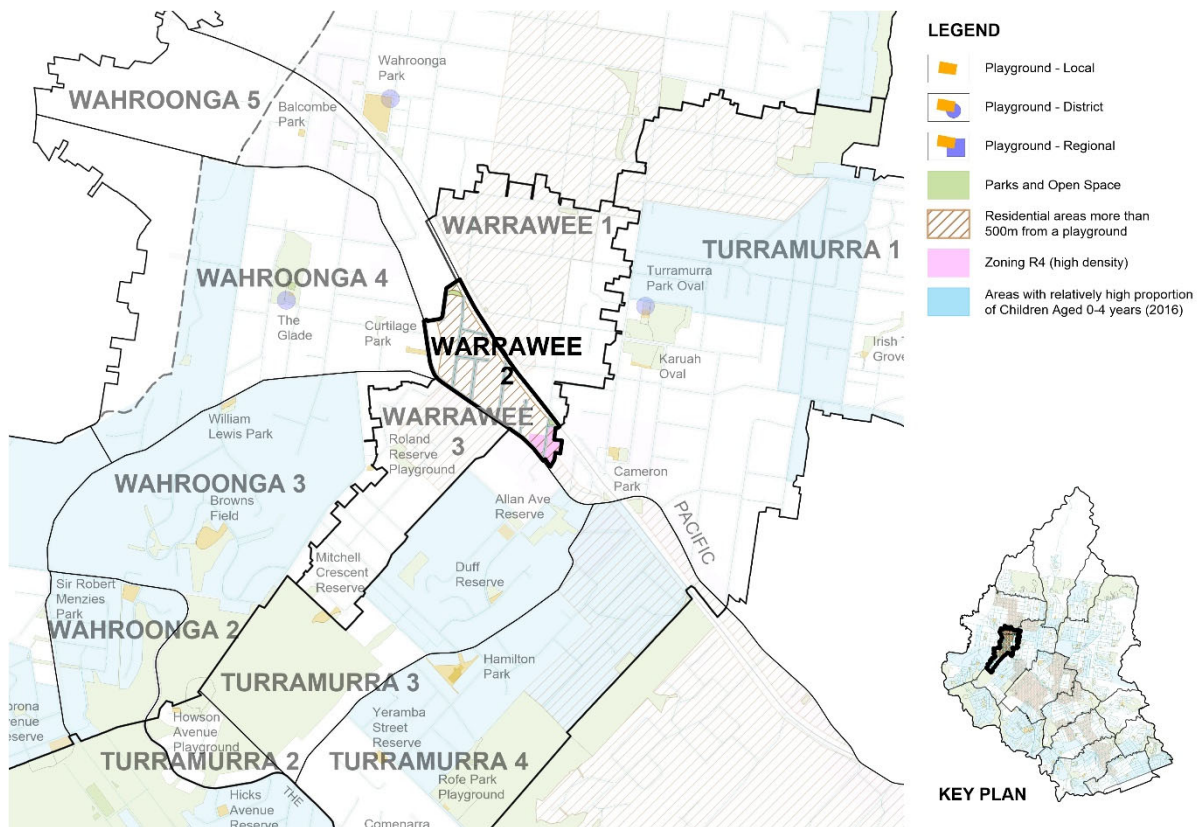
WARAWEE PRECINCT 2

This tiny precinct sits between the highway and the railway line.

Though it is in an area with a high proportion of high-density housing, there are still many large residential blocks. This area is adjacent to the Knox Grammar School.

There are no public parks in this precinct but there are signalised lights crossing the highway to Curtilage Park.

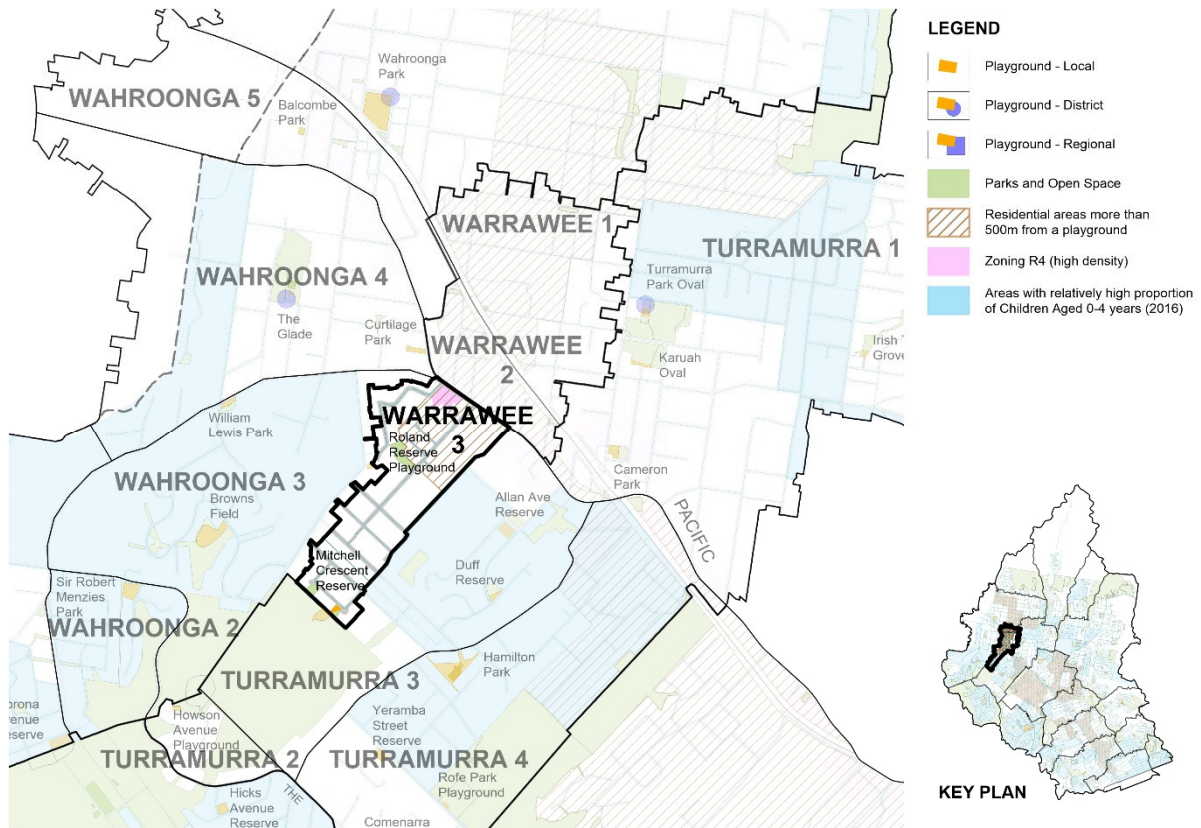
- **Priority Low**



WARAWEE PRECINCT 3

This suburb has only two play spaces. This area is highly dependent upon Mitchell Cres. Reserve and some residents here have access to Roland Reserve to the west.

This precinct is characterised by large private residential blocks. The topography in this area is limiting for park development.



WARAWEE PRECINCT 3

Mitchell Crescent Reserve
Mitchell Crescent

Local



The play space comprises some older equipment (a swing, see-saw & slide) reported to be in good order.

The play value here is very low. Although located at the backs of houses, Mitchell Cres. Reserve is also a track-head, fire-trail used for walking and biking and is a popular dog-off leash area. It plays a role in the local area as a community meeting place.

Roland Reserve
40-46 Roland Ave

Local



This is a small but very attractive play space in a strong bushland setting. It has a fence to the street. The play space comprises a slide, swing and spring see-saw and is reported to be in good condition.

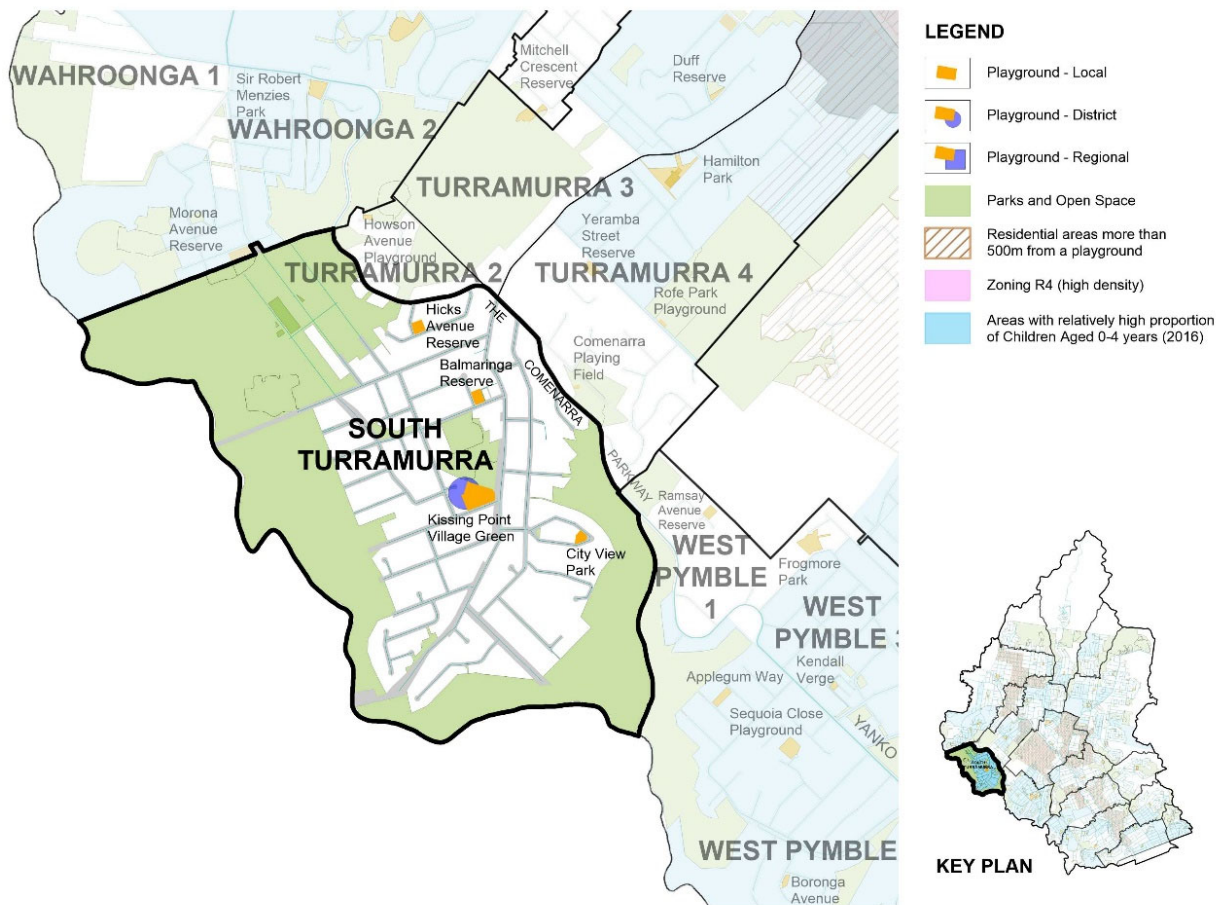
SUMMARY**Mitchell Crescent Reserve**

- This play space to be upgraded when it has reached the end of its useful life
- It should ideally provide a wider range of activities for different age groups, some of which need to be accessible, as well as accessible social amenities.
- Resolve fencing issues regarding the dog off leash area and the fire trail access.
- It is worth engaging with local residents regarding the prominence of this reserve, and their perceptions of it. If necessary it might require more promotion.
- Ensure that it can be seen from Mitchell Crescent if possible and add prominent signage or feature entry
- **Priority medium/ high**

Roland Reserve Play space

- When this equipment is due to be upgraded, provide a more interesting design with more connected play element making better use of the lovely bush setting.
- **Priority low**

South Turramurra






SOUTH TURRAMURRA OVERVIEW

South Turramurra sits south of the Comenarra Parkway; a smaller suburb surrounded on three sides by the bushland reserve catchments of the creeks that feed the Lane Cove River.


Most of the residential areas are well served by play spaces.

There is a high proportion of children in most of the residential areas of South Turramurra.

There are four play spaces in South Turramurra and all are classified as local.

SOUTH TURRAMURRA		
RESERVE / Address	CLASS	
Balmaringa Reserve Balmaringa Ave	Local	 <p>This is a well located, prominent play space in the heart of south Turramurra. It is close to a pre-school, a small commercial precinct and is across the road from the Auluba Oval /Sir David Martin Reserve and is subject to Landscape Masterplan adopted in 2007.</p> <p>The play equipment, comprising swings, junior and senior climbing units, animal, mound slide & spin poles is well integrated into the park design that also includes fencing, planting, terrain and a small path that can be used for access and for bike play. It was installed within the last five years.</p>
City View Park (East End) Geoffrey St	Local	 <p>This small park is located on the corner of a loop road. It has a good framework of remnant mature trees. The equipment is placed somewhat insensitively in the park with the mulch borders dominating visually, reflecting its 1980s construction date. It would benefit from being funded for a redesign.</p> <p>The play space comprises some older equipment (climbing/slide unit, comet and swings) reported to be in good order.</p>
Hicks Ave Reserve Cnr Hicks/ Parkinson Ave	Local	

SOUTH TURRAMURRA

		<p>This play space is located on the extreme western edge of the suburb close to the Comenarra Parkway. There is a relatively high dependence on this reserve locally, as this area is somewhat cut off, due to the street layout.</p> <p>It is set within an attractive reserve with a significant sloping bank leading to an open flat grassy terrace. This has some eucalypt planting that provides good character.</p> <p>The play space comprises some older equipment (a climbing/slide unit, spin pole, and spring animals) aimed at junior children and reported to be in good order.</p> <p>The play value is limited and the site topography could be better used.</p>
Kissing Point Village Green Cnr Vernon St/Kissing Point Rd	District	 <p>This play space is located between the playing fields within the larger Auluba reserve. It is a lovely play space setting, carved out amongst tall remnant eucalypt woodland which is a remnant of EEC Duffy's Forest Community. The play space is fenced and has a path system, shelters and furniture as well as the excellent shade trees.</p> <p>The equipment here is reported to have reached the end of its useful life.</p>

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS

This suburb offers an attractive range of settings with a reasonable variety of play elements, with a few activities that are accessible to children with disabilities (in Balmaringa Reserve).

Balmaringa Reserve

- No action required.
- **Priority low**

City View Park (East End)

- When this play space is due for renovation, ensure that the new equipment complements all other play spaces in the suburb;
- Use some landscape elements such as low flat rockwork and planting to retain the mulch and create play value
- **Priority low**

Hicks Ave Reserve

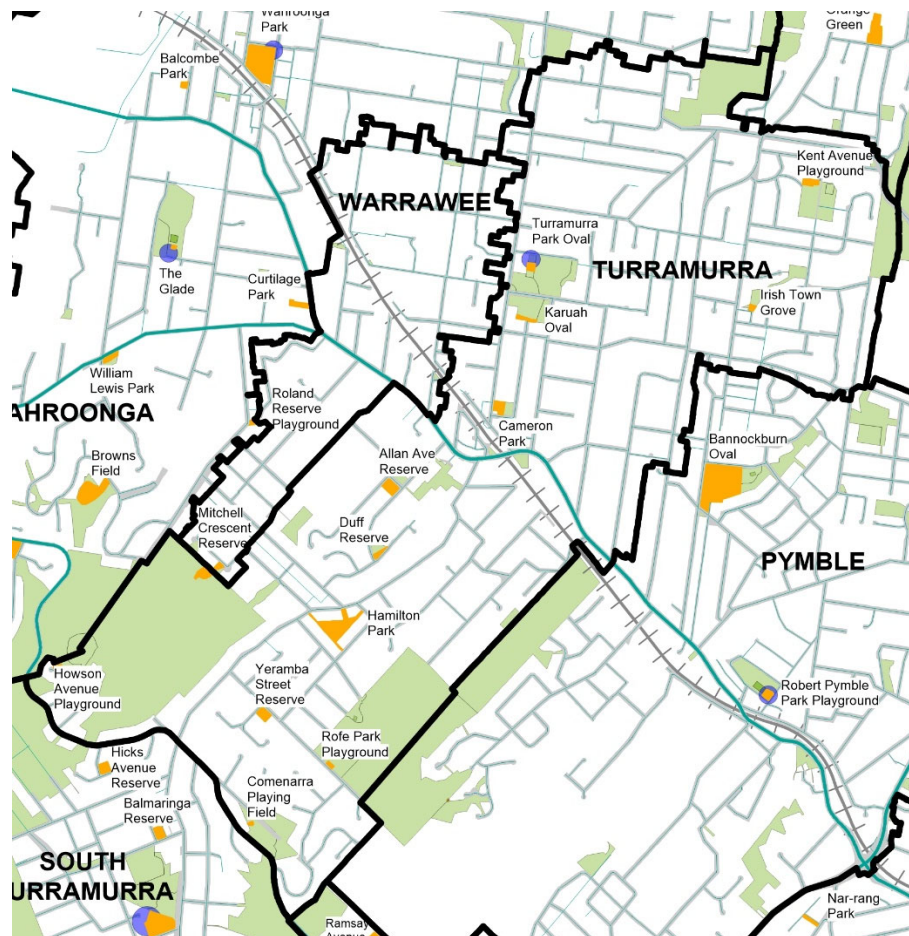
- When this play space reaches the end of its useful life it would be good to redesign some of the play elements here to provide more visual and play interest, for a wider range of ages.
- In particular it would be beneficial to rebuild the bank with tiered rocks that would provide for climbing and play, reduce the need for mowing, and provide small interstices for planting.
- **Priority low**

Kissing Point Village Green

SOUTH TURRAMURRA

- when this space is due for refurbishment take into account the other play spaces in this precinct. Consider the character of the existing space and the results of community input.
- **Priority medium**

Turramurra



TURRAMURRA OVERVIEW

Turramurra straddles the Pacific Highway /railway line corridor which divides the suburb into two. This suburb is experiencing growth in high density housing in this central zone on both sides of the highway /railway corridor. The rest of Turramurra is characterised by leafy streets, spectacular bushland reserves and large residential blocks. There is a high proportion of children in most of the residential areas of Turramurra.

The suburb has been divided into four precincts.

The area just south of the railway/highway corridor is poorly served by open space and play spaces and this is an area already noted in Council's 2006 Open Space Acquisition Strategy as being in the highest priority ranking.

Another zone in the north west corner of Turramurra 1 is also not served by play spaces.

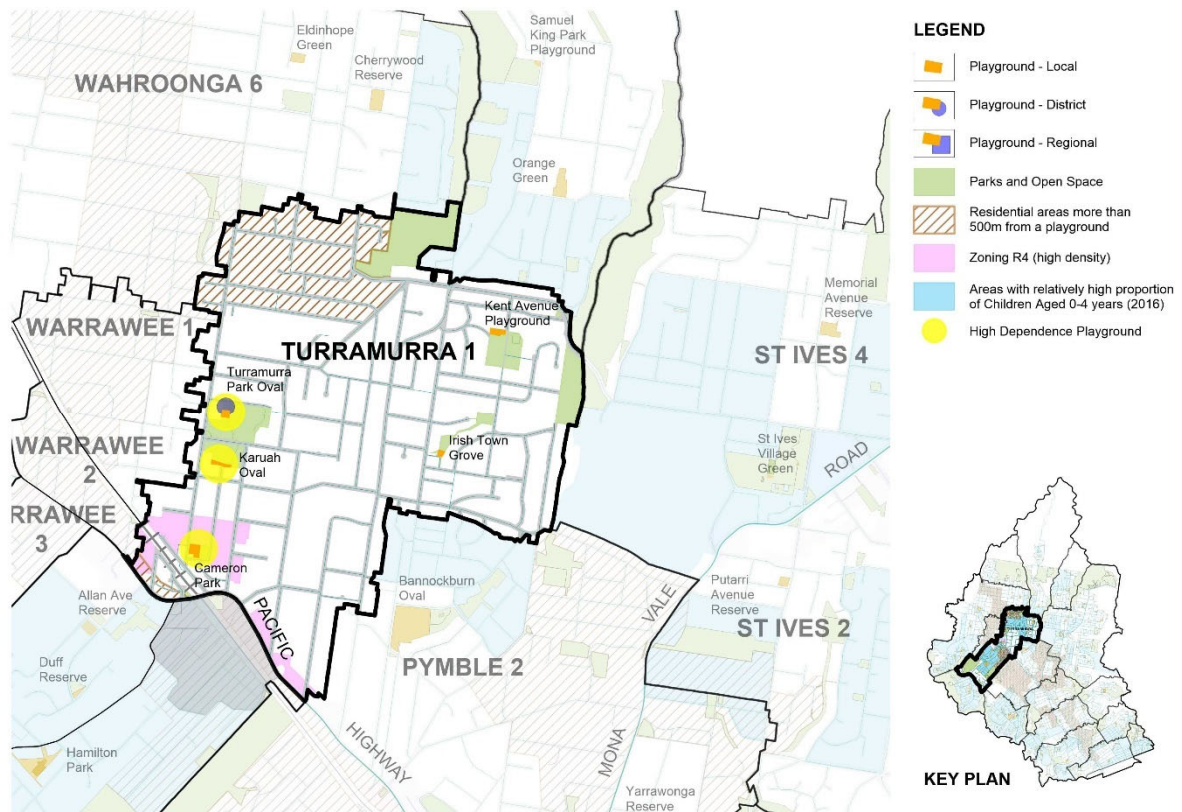
To address this shortfall, 4 residential blocks have been recently acquired for development into a local park, on the corner of Duff and Allan Streets. The park has been completed in 2020.

TURRAMURRA PRECINCT 1

This precinct sits north of the Pacific Highway /railway line corridor. The central part of this precinct has a high proportion of children in the population. There is a growing proportion of high density housing along the southern edge of this precinct.

This precinct has four play spaces plus one site with fitness equipment, and includes the only District reserve in the whole suburb.



The north west corner is not served by play spaces.



TURRAMURRA PRECINCT 1

RESERVE / Address	CLASS	
Kent Avenue Playground Kent Ave	Local	 <p>This site is not located in a prominent space. It is on the edge of a sports reserve with an oval, tennis courts, a few pavilions and other smaller spaces located at the end of two residential streets, and otherwise is addressed by the backs of houses. It also contains a dog off-leash area.</p> <p>The play space is set within an attractive space with a good framework of trees</p> <p>The equipment here comprises a swing, climbing unit and carousel. It has been refurbished and is in good condition.</p>
Irish Town Grove Adams Ave	Local	

TURRAMURRA PRECINCT 1

		<p>This reserve is an attractive, though narrow, green space with a strong tree cover. It is set behind a small shopping centre and there is a child care centre adjacent.</p> <p>The equipment is reported to have reached the end of its useful life. This is a small playspace but the area within its catchment is quite dependent upon it.</p>
<p>Turramurra Park Oval Karuah Ave/ Eastern Road</p>	District	 <p>This is a very attractive park in a leafy area on the western side of Turramurra. The park has an oval, tennis courts and other facilities. It is classified as a District play space. The recently completed recreation space includes a flying fox, spinning net, hammocks, basketball half court, ping-pong tables and picnic facilities with accessible paths and softfall, as well as exercise equipment.</p>
<p>Cameron Park Eastern Ave/ Gilroy Rd</p>	Local	 <p>This prominent park is well located, close to the commercial precinct and a church. This is a very important site as it is located in an area where housing densities are increasing and residents will have a growing demand for local parks and play opportunities.</p> <p>This park is very well shaded by mature trees. It has been refurbished in 2017 to double the size of the parkland and provide additional facilities such as accessible pathways, a unisex accessible toilet and picnic shelter and table tennis table set alongside a large free running grassy playspace. The existing equipment is aimed at younger children surrounded by a cycle path. The park is well known for its autumn display and falling drifts of leaves that are very popular for nature play, and the space includes a</p>

TURRAMURRA PRECINCT 1

giant caterpillar sculpture, a giant frog and mushroom seats set in softfall. The site is fenced.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS

Kent Avenue Playground

- No urgent action required.
- **Priority low**

Irish Town Grove

- This play space will be re-designed. The new design will be based on the local history of the area and on community consultation, and also considering its location adjacent to the shopping centre.
- The refurbishment of this site will use the character of the setting and local landscape to create a more interesting play space' as appropriate.
- *Construction completed 2020*
- **Priority low**

Turramurra Park Oval

- No action required
- **Priority low**

Cameron Park

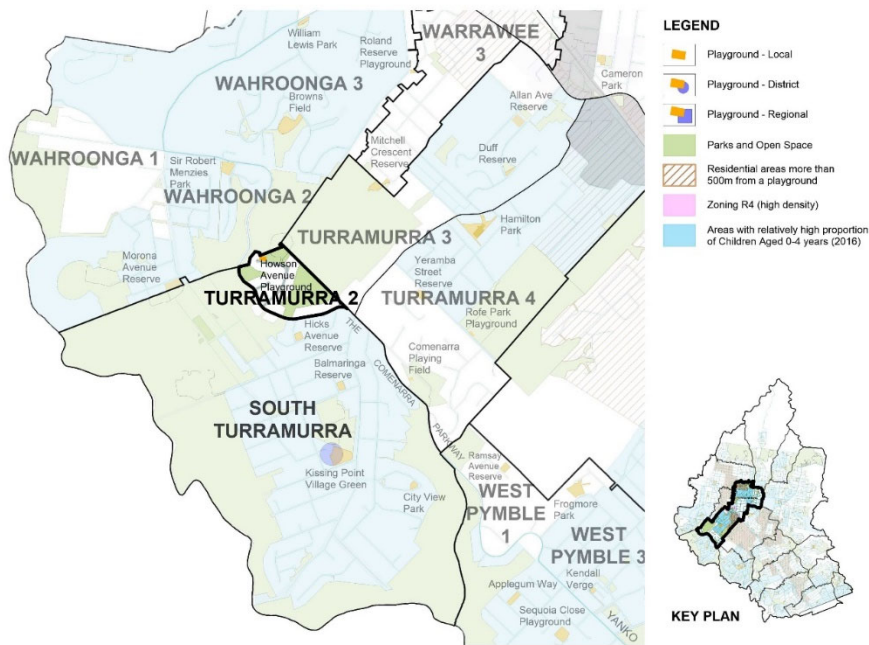
- No action
- **Priority low**

Karuah Park

- Fitness equipment (Not in scope).

TURRAMURRA PRECINCT 2

This is a small residential precinct located on the Comenarra Parkway and completely surrounded by nature reserve. It does not have a high proportion of children in the population and there is no shortage of private open space and public bushland reserve.



TURRAMURRA PRECINCT 2

**Howson Oval
Playground**
Howson Ave

Local



The equipment here comprises only a single swing and a freestanding slide. It is reported to be in good working order but the play value is very low.

TURRAMURRA PRECINCT 2**SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS****Howson Oval Playground**

- When the equipment reaches the end of its working life, the play space should be relocated within the oval precinct where it can be seen and also used by families using the sportsfield
- **Priority Low**

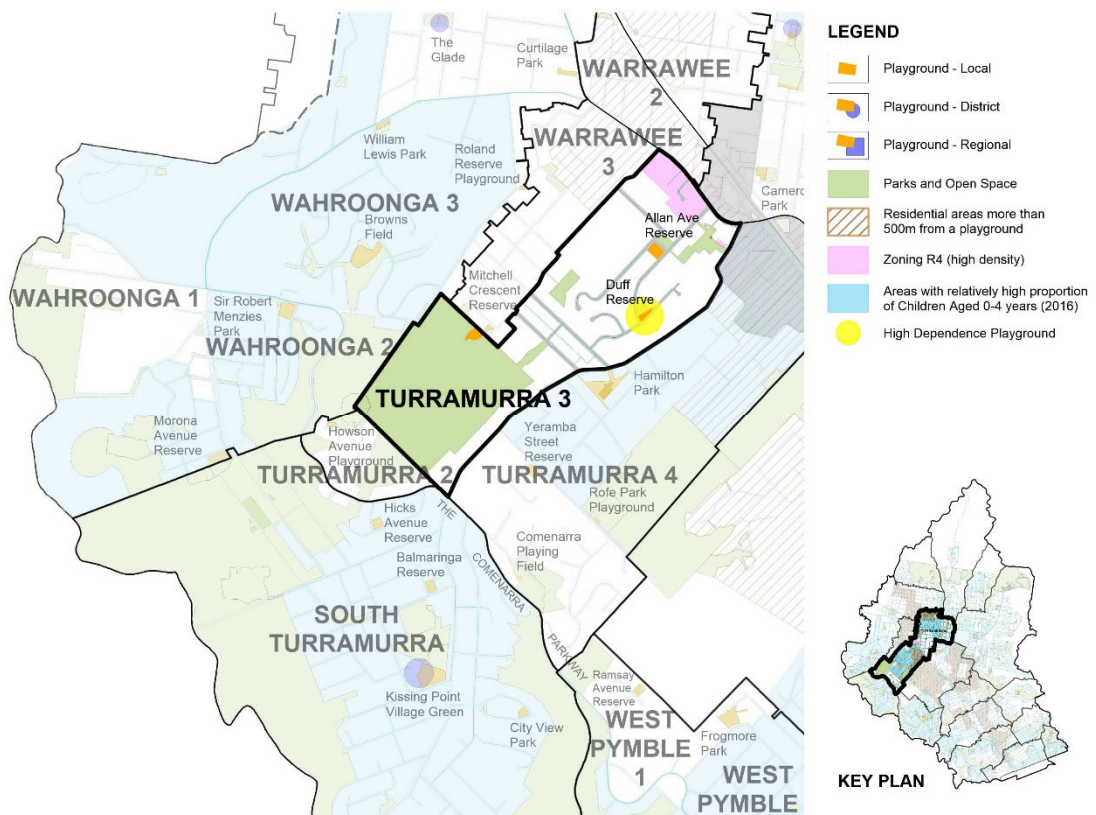
TURRAMURRA PRECINCT 3

This is a precinct with two distinct sub-zones.

- The northern end close to the highway is quite lacking in parkland or play spaces and there is increasing density in housing underway.
- South of Denman Ave the bulk of residential areas are characterised by very large residential blocks with large private gardens and access to bushland reserves/nature/open space.

There is a high percentage of children in the population in the area around Duff St Park.

There was only one play space in this area until Allan Ave was acquired; this will now form a valuable resource for this precinct. The new park has been completed in 2020.



TURRAMURRA PRECINCT 3**Allan Ave Reserve**

Alan Ave/ Duff
Street/ Holmes
Street

Local



The new play space has been completed in early 2020. The park includes a range of play activities for a range of ages and abilities; lawns, seats and an accessible path system.

Duff St Park

Duff St/Cornwall
Ave

Local



This tiny play space comprises only a swing, with a seat
It is located within a very steep corner of a nature reserve that has some magnificent remnant trees.
The equipment is reported to be at the end of its useful life.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Allan Ave Reserve**

The new play space has a wide range of activities and play settings and a highly accessible path system. It has been developed through community consultation.

- **Priority low**

Duff St Park

When the new park is constructed at Allan Ave Reserve, this play space will be removed and the site managed as bushland which has capacity for exploring and unstructured nature play.

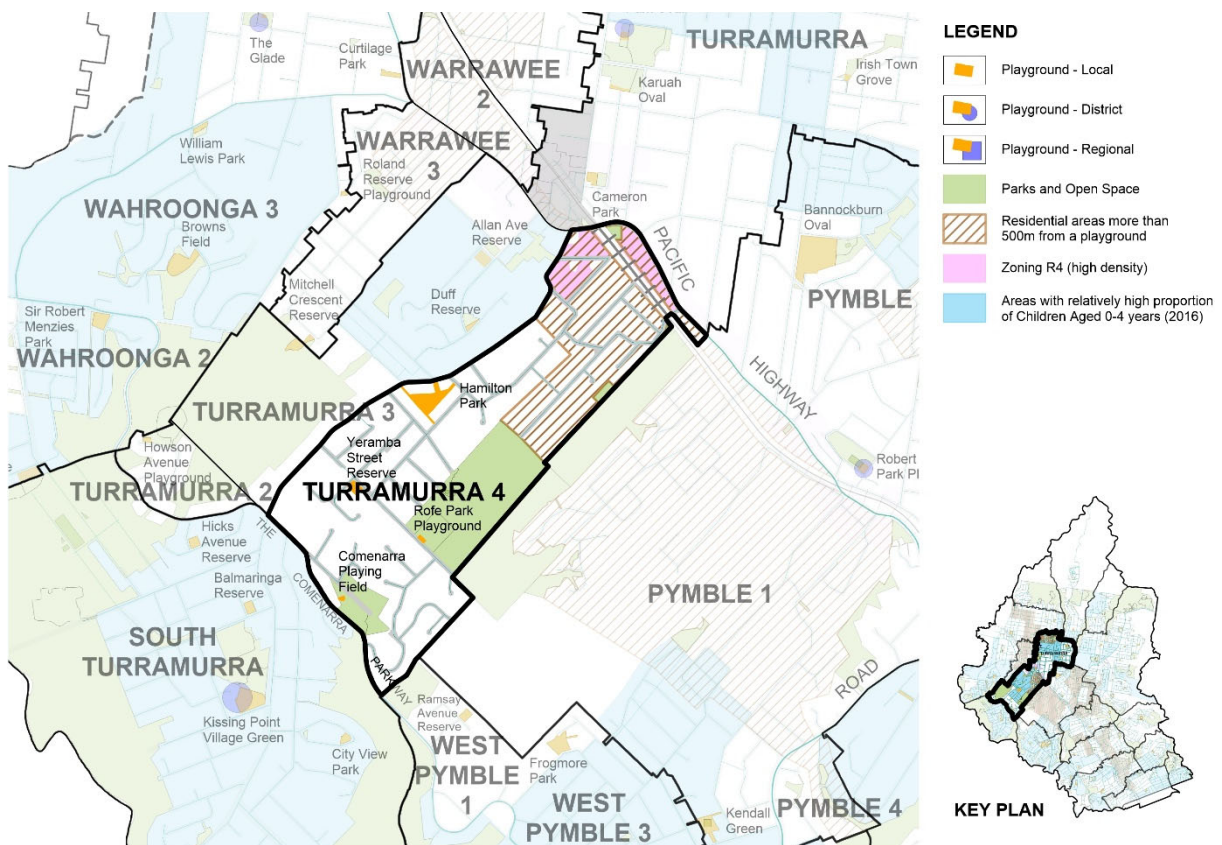
- **Priority low**

TURRAMURRA PRECINCT 4

Like Turramurra Precinct 3, the northern edge of this precinct is experiencing growth in higher density housing and does not have access to any play spaces. This zone is on Council's Open Space Acquisition highest ranking list. There is also a relatively high percentage of children in the population in this precinct.

The southern section of this precinct does have access to a very large nature reserve (Sheldon Forest).

All of the play spaces in this precinct reflect the design and provision from the 1990s, and are classified as local.



TURRAMURRA PRECINCT 4

Hamilton Park
82 Kissing Point
Road

Local



This site is only accessible via two narrow paths, off Kissing Point Rd, and Waratah Rd.

It has two double tennis courts as well as the play space here. The existing equipment comprised a free standing slide, spin bucket, truck, spring animal & swing.

**Yeramba St
Reserve**
Yeramba St

Local



This is a small corner reserve (approx. 50m x 45m) with good prominence.

It doesn't serve a large catchment due to the street configuration here although there is a walking connection nearby that links with Turramurra Public School. The equipment has low play value and is reported to be at the end of its useful life.

**Mimosa Oval/
Rofe Park
Playground**

Local



The play space is located on the edge of Mimosa Oval.

This is a relatively prominent location with car parking and a basic entry path.

This equipment comprises a climbing unit & swing and is reported to have reached the end of its useful life.

TURRAMURRA PRECINCT 4

Comenarra Playing field

61 Comenarra Parkway

Local



This is a small playing field set within attractive bushland. The play space is on the edge of the oval near a pavilion and small car park./turnaround.

This play space has been recently upgraded.

This is a relatively important play space locally for whole southern part of this precinct, as the local terrain and street layout makes it harder to reach the other play spaces.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS

Hamilton Park

- Refurbishment already underway. No further action.
- **Priority low**

Yeramba St Reserve

- This small park could be redesigned as a whole park (rather than as just a rectangle of mulch with play equipment in a corner).
- Consider a new path system, furniture, planting as well as an updated design for play.
- **Priority medium**

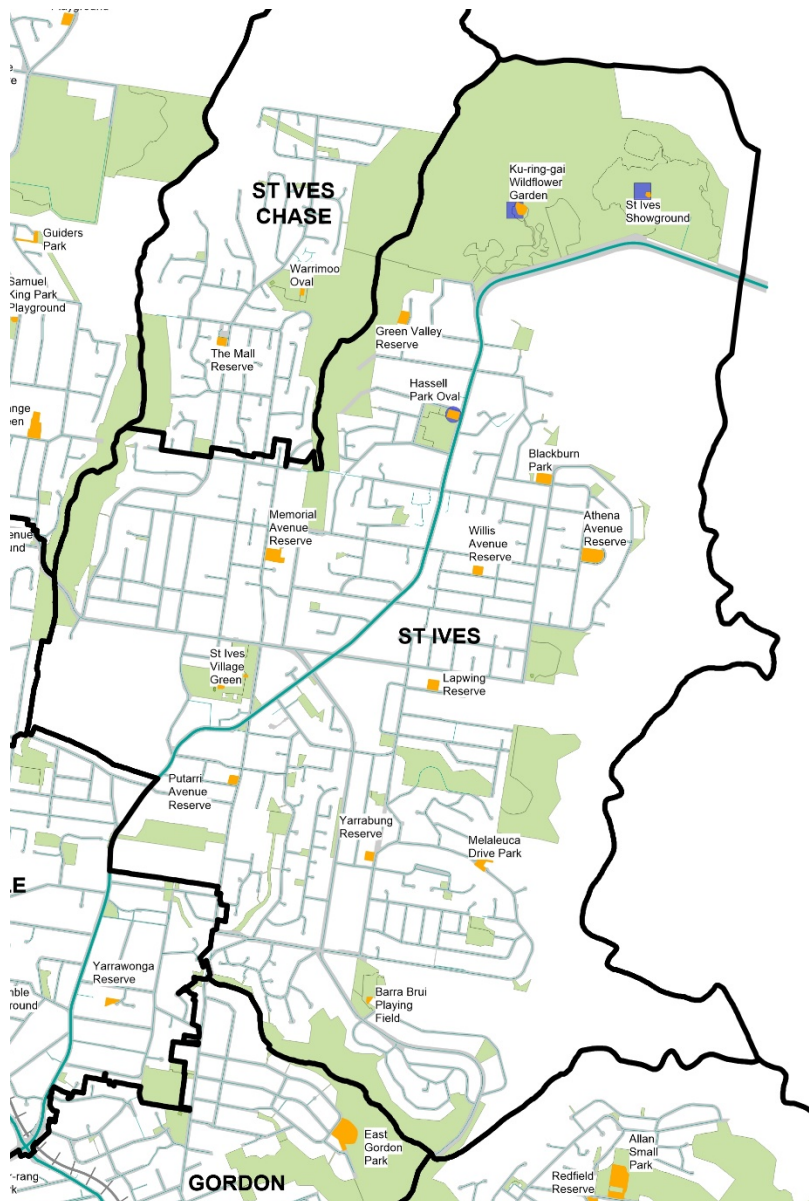
Rofe Park Playground/ Mimosa Oval/

- This space is considered a priority because it is one of the few play spaces in this precinct that is of a reasonable size, reasonably accessible to a range of residents, and is prominently located. Being part of the sports reserve it will provide for a range of users.
- This play space should be re-designed. It has good potential, and includes some existing features such as some existing planting which should be retained, as well as a car park, fence and a basic path system.
- The space may be able to incorporate the sloping corner of the reserve that may provide opportunities for more play interest (e.g clambering rocks)
- **Priority high**

Comenarra Playing Field

- When it is due for a refurbishment, investigate whether the play space site could be extended to make use of the land-form and the space in the car park area behind, which could be rationalised.
- The site on the oval is restricted by sporting use and adjacent bushland habitat for threatened red-crown toadlets.
- **Priority medium**

St Ives



ST IVES OVERVIEW

St Ives is divided by Mona Vale Road that runs approx. north–south. There is a high proportion of children in the population in the central areas as well as a growing area of increasing medium and high density housing.

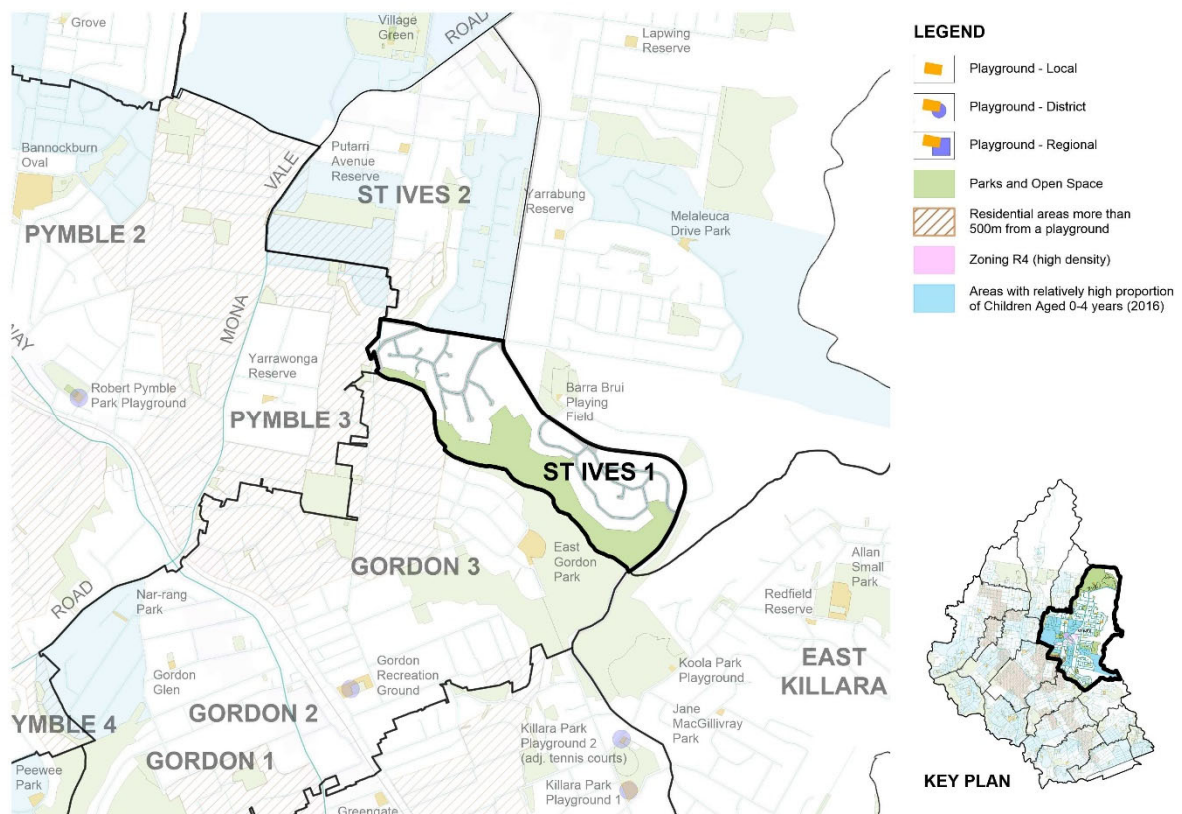
The eastern side of the suburb is bounded by nature reserves and national parks but the more central area is listed as a priority for open space acquisition in the light of a shortage of parks and increasing population. There is a shortage of sites for play in this central area.

The play spaces in this suburb offer generally low play value, as is characterised by playground design last century, with little variety from park to park. There are none that are accessible and they are all classified as local.

ST IVES PRECINCT 1

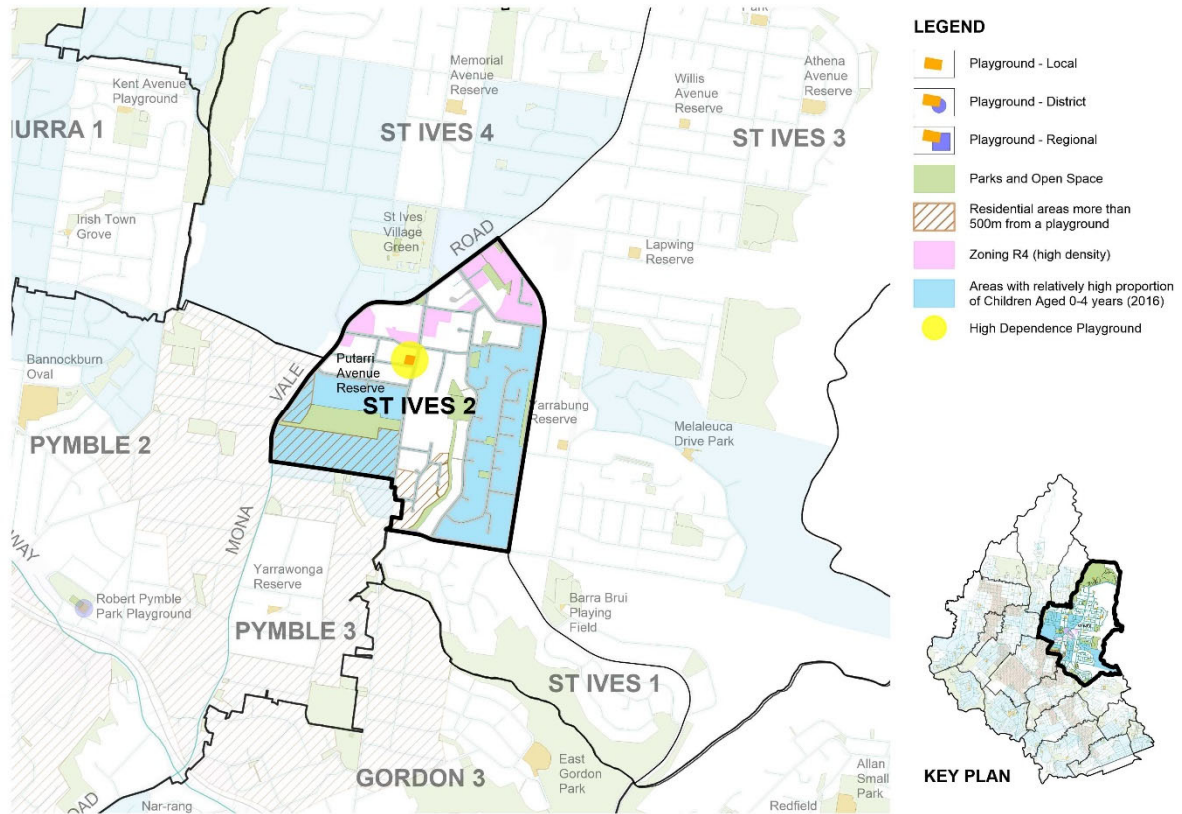
This small precinct forms the south eastern corner of St Ives and is bounded by the Eastern Arterial Road on one side, and a bushland reserve/ Degotardi Park on the other. It does not have a designated play space. There is a low proportion of children in the population here. Most of this area is low density, and there is a reasonably high occurrence of large private blocks, private tennis courts and swimming pools, so the population is not overall short of space for leisure.

- **Priority Low**




ST IVES PRECINCT 2

This precinct is located between Mona Vale Road and the Eastern Arterial. There is a high proportion of children in the population, as well as a growing area of increasing medium and high density housing. This is an area indicated in the Open Space Acquisition Strategy of 2006 as of the highest priority for acquisition of open space.



ST IVES PRECINCT 2

RESERVE / Address	CLASS	
Putarri Ave Reserve Putarri Ave/ Rosedale Rd	Local	 <p>This is the only reserve in this precinct and is an area of high dependence in a priority area. The park is small but well located on a prominent corner site with some mature trees.</p> <p>The equipment here comprises a swing, free standing slide, see-saw, animal & ball toss. It is older but reported to be in good order.</p>

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Putarri Ave Reserve**

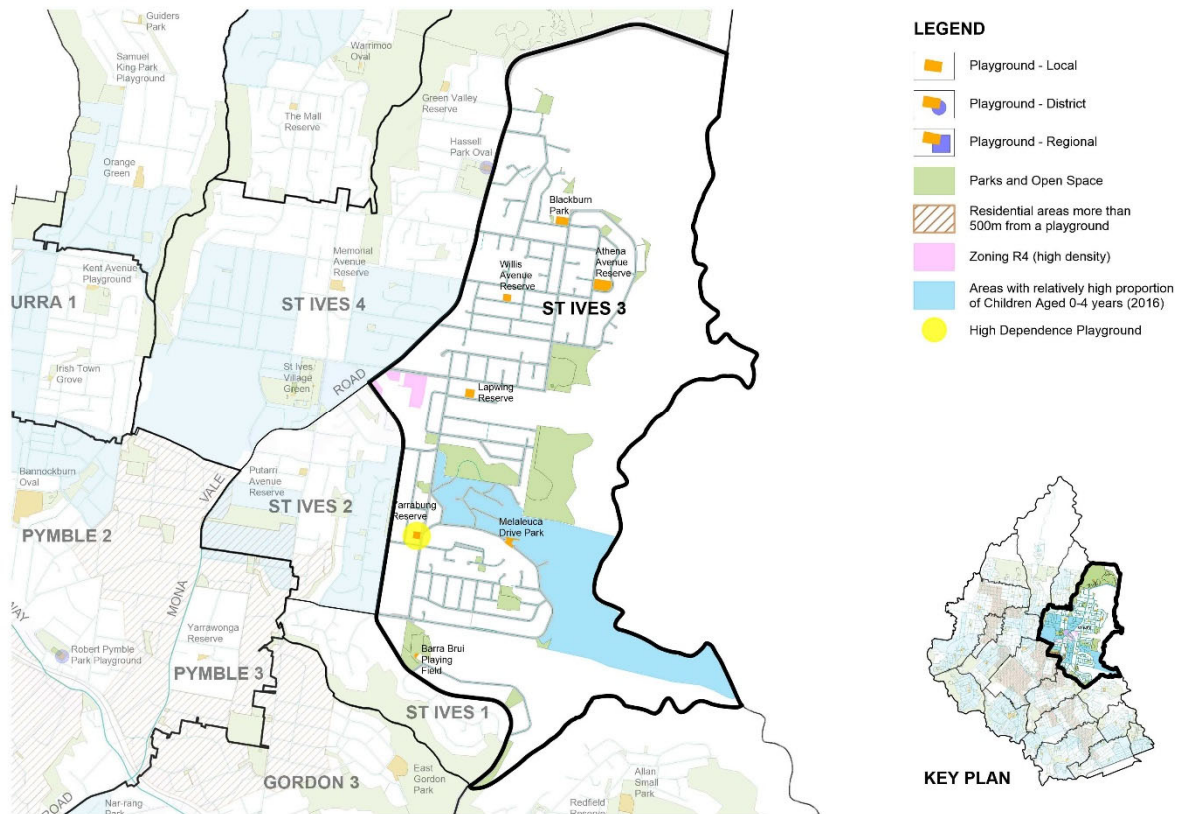
- This is a park of high dependence in a priority area. It has been funded for redevelopment to include a wider range of recreation opportunities. It is recommended that the whole park be redesigned to a higher standard, closer to a District level given the catchment that depends upon it.
- The site should ideally retain its green character and some open grass/kickabout space, but should include an accessible path system and social space, opportunities for nature play, and a better range of activities for a range of age groups and abilities.
- **Priority High**

ST IVES PRECINCT 3

This large precinct is located north east of the Eastern Arterial and East of Mona Vale Road.

It has seven play spaces. The area close to Melaleuca Drive Park has a high proportion of children in the population. There is a reasonably large area in the centre of the precinct that is not served by play spaces at all, though there is other parkland.

All of the play spaces within this precinct are classified as local, with no higher levels of provision here. The new Lapwing Reserve is accessible to people with physical disabilities, especially those using wheelchairs.



ST IVES PRECINCT 3

Barra Brui Playing Field
Off Burraneer Ave

Local



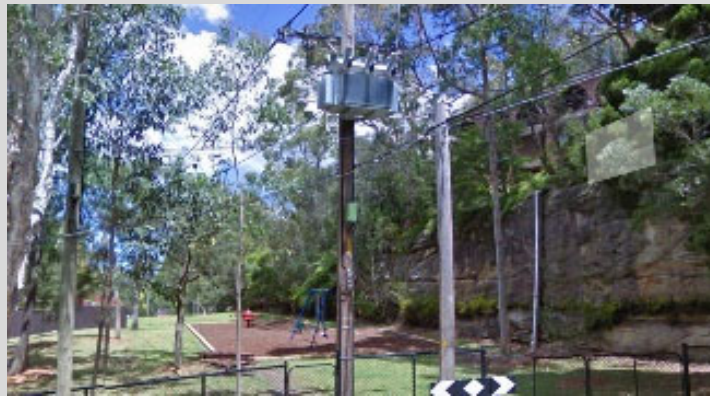
This reserve is a good sized park with a sports pitch carved out of bushland that surrounds the space. There are other community facilities here such as a scout hall and a pre-school. The play space is not prominent but there are paths linking with the adjoining roads and also walking tracks onwards to Middle Harbour. There is a bridge, creek walking track and bushland scrambles within 20 m of this play space.

It is the only play space in this end of the precinct but does only have a small immediate catchment.

The equipment comprises a swing, cubby, 4 way rocker & spider net.

Melaleuca Drive Park
Melaleuca Drive

Local



This site is narrow and fairly constrained, with a large electrical transformer at the entrance, and a beautiful sandstone cliff one side.

The equipment comprises a swing, spring animal, slide and carousel.

The play space could be better designed to reflect the site character. This is an area with a high proportion of children in the population.

ST IVES PRECINCT 3

Yarrabung Reserve
Yarrabung
Drive

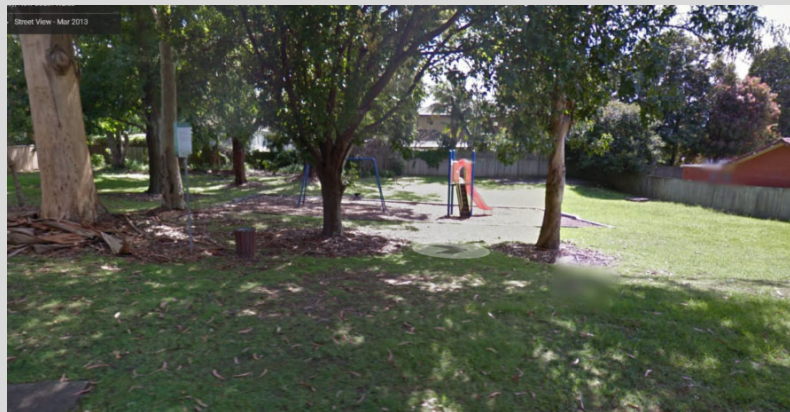
Local



This is a small corner play space in a sloping area with lovely bush character. The equipment comprises a swing, free standing slide, spin pole & spin table.

Willis Ave Reserve
Willis Ave

Local



This small park has some attractive trees. The play space comprises only a swing, freestanding slide and a bin. The equipment has fairly low play value but is reported to be in good order.

This site needs to remain as a play space but the play value needs to be improved.

Blackburn St Reserve East
Blackburn St
/Acron Rd

Local



This is an attractive corner site with a good framework of trees. It contains a slide, cubby & climber, and swings. These are less than five years old.

ST IVES PRECINCT 3

Athena Avenue Reserve
Athena Avenue/
Hayle St

Local



This play space is in an attractive bush setting. There is no path. It has a mix of low key equipment including a ground level cubby with activity panels. but this is not on a wheelchair accessible route.

Lapwing Reserve
Caroola Avenue

Local



This site is fully fenced and has a range of equipment including swings, see saw, accessible carousel, and log spinner and cubby; the design utilises the terrain for slides. The surfaces are highly accessible. there is a drinking fountain and a shelter as well as tree shade.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS

Barra Brui Playing Field

- This space should ideally be upgraded to respond to the local natural setting and improve accessibility.
- **Priority low**

Melaleuca Drive Park

- This is a small site but as there are few other purpose-designed play spaces locally, it would be worth redesigning the space to provide some different play elements that might respond to the site character and provide for a wider range of users as a local meeting place, given the high proportion of children locally.

ST IVES PRECINCT 3

- **Priority low**

Yarrabung Reserve

- When this equipment reaches the end of its useful life, upgrade the space with a landscape design for a play space that responds better to the setting, and provides for a wider range of age groups and activities.
- **Priority medium**

Willis Ave Reserve

- When this play equipment is due to be replaced, the space should be redesigned to create a higher quality local play space. It needs to be quite different from Blackburn and Athena reserves, and respond to local community input.
- **Priority low**

Blackburn St Reserve East

- No requirement for change in the foreseeable future.
- **Priority low**

Athena Avenue Reserve

- As the larger, and more central play space of the three neighbouring play spaces in this part of the precinct, it is recommended that the park and play space should be upgraded and redesigned to become a slightly higher level, Local/District play space. It needs to remain quite different in character and provision from Blackburn and Willis Reserves.
- It should be redesigned with community consultation and include additional activities and accessible paths and a cycle track.
- Consider adding some challenging elements into the design.
- **Priority medium/high**

Lapwing Reserve

- Council has constructed a new, accessible, local play space here in 2017 on two blocks acquired for this purpose.
- **Priority Low**

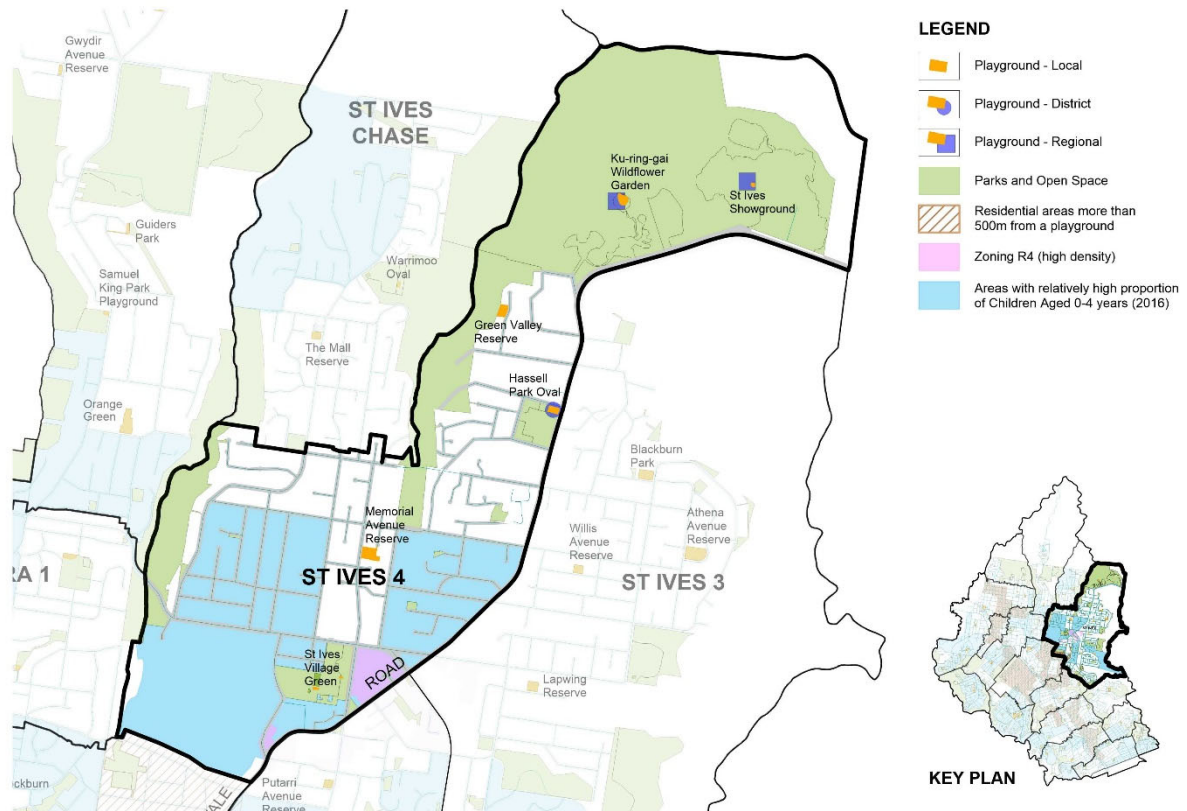
New Play Space

- Council has rezoned land as RE1 for public recreation adjoining the Bedes Forest Reserve with a view to acquire this land to extend the footprint of the existing reserve. This would include a new play space.
- **Priority Medium**

ST IVES PRECINCT 4

This precinct is west of Mona Vale Rd and has some large areas where the percentage of children in the population is relatively high.

All of St Ives' higher level Regional and District level reserves are located within this precinct and although the play spaces have not yet been upgraded to provide regional or district facilities, there are three major upgrades currently funded for construction in the 2016/17 financial year.



ST IVES PRECINCT 4

St Ives Village Green
Memorial Ave

District



This is a major sports reserve with a series of baseball pitches, tennis courts, bowling club, and a community centre. The site includes swings, and there is a larger play space adjacent to the skate facility and tennis courts.

This is an increasingly important park, as the only open space and play area catering for residents in the higher density areas near the shopping precinct.

Memorial Ave Reserve
Memorial Ave

Local



This is an attractive small park and play space with good tree cover and located in a prominent position on Memorial Ave. The equipment comprises a climbing unit, swings, spin pole, infinity climbing wall & spring animal and these offer reasonable play value. There is a short path but the equipment is not accessible.

Green Valley Reserve
Green Valley Ave

Local



ST IVES PRECINCT 4

		<p>This is an appealing site with interesting terrain and good tree cover, (EEC Duffy's Forest) backing onto a bushland reserve (Caleys Reserve). The equipment, comprising a Playworks unit, swing & see-saw, is approaching the end of its useful life.</p> <p>Because of the street layout here, this play space only serves a very small catchment of residents. The residences in this area have generally very large blocks and many have pools and tennis courts. There is a very large nature reserve adjacent here. Local dependence upon this play space is likely to be low.</p>
<p>Hassell Park Oval 352 Mona Vale Rd</p>	District	 <p>This site is classified as a District playspace because of the hierarchy of the park itself but the play space is only of a local standard. It is a large sports reserve located close to a school.</p> <p>The equipment comprises a swing, see-saw, spring animal & slide, offering fairly low play value.</p>

ST IVES PRECINCT 4

**Ku-ring-gai
Wildflower
Garden**
420 Mona Vale
Rd

Regional



This is a unique and special regional facility. There is a play space and an exercise equipment area here. The existing play equipment comprises a climbing unit, swing, see saw & junior spring items; this is reported to be nearing the end of its useful life.

**St Ives Show-
ground**
450 Mona Vale
Rd

Regional



ST IVES PRECINCT 4

St Ives Showground is Ku-ring-gai's largest sports and recreation venue with equestrian and dog training rings, soccer field, BMX riding facilities, BBQs and picnic tables. It plays host to numerous events throughout the year, from community markets to dressage competitions, and is also the venue for the annual St Ives Show.

There are at least three play spaces at the showground.

- One is smaller and toddler oriented with a picnic area and toilets near the horse facilities;
- One is located in the junior cycle track area with large picnic tables for family groups, and toilets at the nearby grandstand;
- The third is being upgraded in 2019

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**St Ives Village Green**

ST IVES PRECINCT 4

- Council has adopted the concept plan for a major upgrade to provide an intergenerational inclusive recreation precinct that will replace the existing skate facility and play space. This work was based on consultation.
- **Priority high**

Memorial Ave Reserve

- Check whether some accessible furniture can be added, accessed from the existing path .
- No other requirement for change in the foreseeable future.
- **Priority low**

Green Valley Reserve

- It is recommended that at the end of its useful life, this equipment should be removed. It may not be necessary to replace it.
- The park must be retained but it could be designed as an attractive park with social amenities and some low key recreation facilities
- Consult residents regarding this reserve.
- Upgrade Hassell Park oval play space to a higher level, by way of compensation.
- **Priority low.**

Hassell Park Oval

- In the light of the recommendations for Greenvalley Reserve above, it is recommended that this play space be upgraded to meet the requirements of a District level play space
- The space should have a path system, some accessible play and social amenities
- **Priority medium**

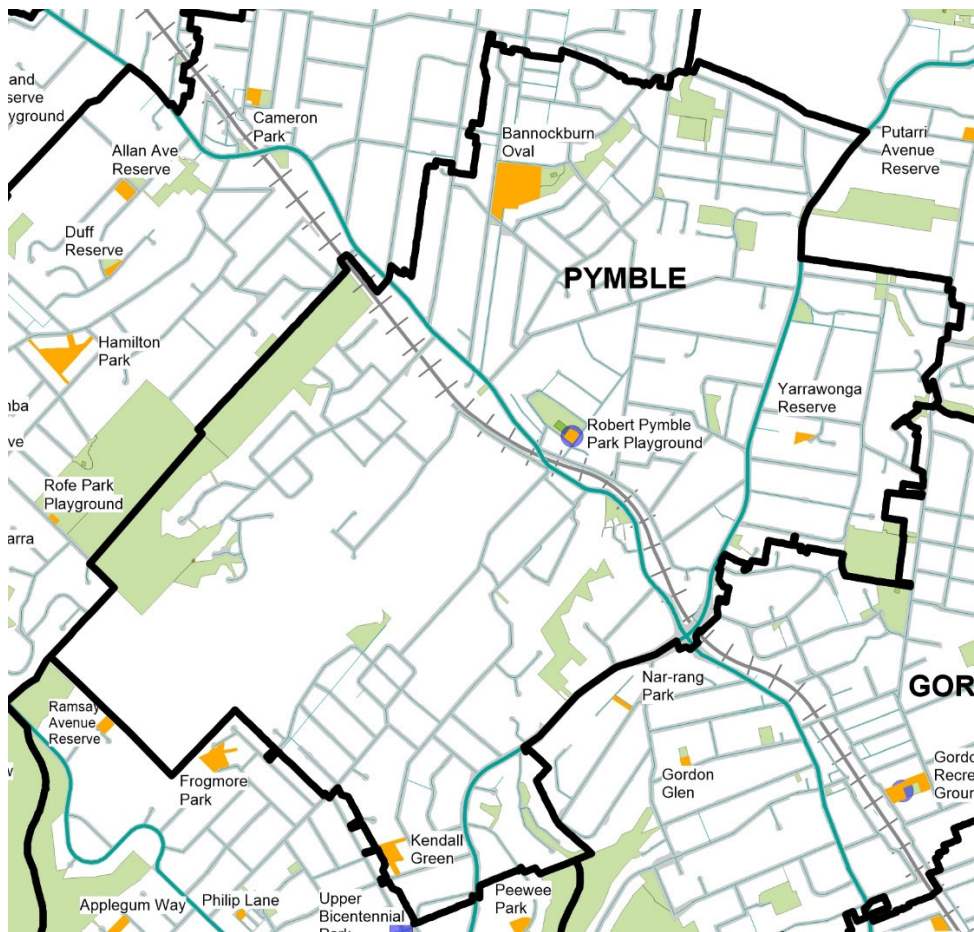
Ku-ring-gai Wildflower Garden

- This play space will be upgraded with the objectives of environmental education as a priority in consultation with the KWG users and educators. The adjoining bushland setting contains a variety of nature play experiences that can be highlighted.
- **Priority low**

St Ives Showground

- It is desirable to retain the three sites as separate play spaces.
- A new large inclusive and accessible play space is being planned with additional toilets, accessible parking and fenced areas, and associated picnic facilities. This is underway in 2019
- The show-ground play spaces should be developed to complement each other, while providing for different ages and abilities.
- At least one inclusive play space will cater for large numbers of users to add to the varied recreation opportunities at the site.
- **Priority low**

Pymble



PYMBLE OVERVIEW

Pymble is divided by the Pacific Highway that runs north-east to south-west, and Mona Vale Road that runs north-south.

It has been divided here into four Precincts.

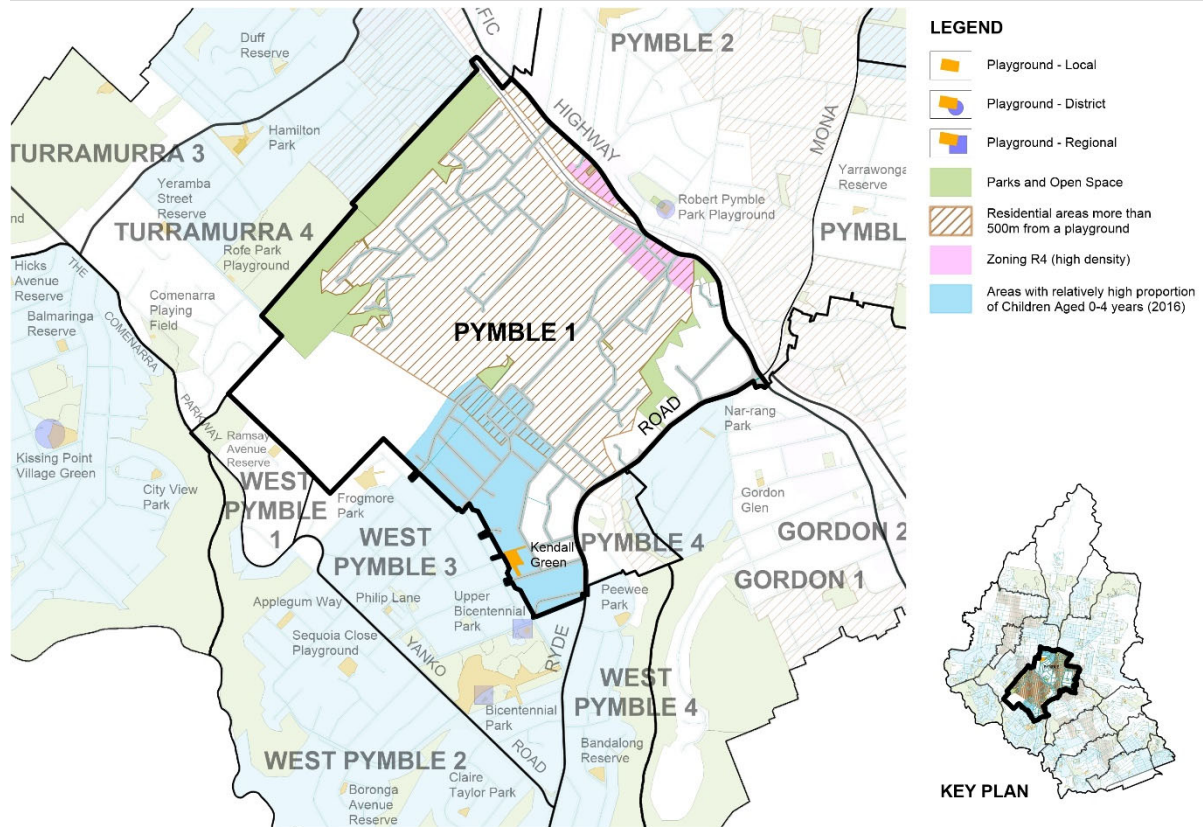
Yarrowonga Reserve is located in the area east of Mona Vale Road and is really the only play space serving that precinct.

North of the Pacific Highway there are two play spaces (Bannockburn Oval and Robert Pymble Park) as well as a reasonably large area not served by any play spaces, though there are other reserves in this area.


South of the Pacific Highway there is a large residential area without any parkland or play spaces. This precinct depends upon Kendall Green which is located at the very southern edge of the precinct, but is also close to Bicentennial Park in West Pymble.

PYMBLE PRECINCT 1

This is a large precinct south of the railway line and Pacific Highway. It has some nature reserves /parkland but only one, poorly located play space for this whole precinct. There is a moderately high proportion of children in the population here, and towards the north some increase in housing density. Most of this suburb is low density however, and there is a reasonably high occurrence of private tennis courts and swimming pools, so the population is not overall short of space for leisure.



PYMBLE PRECINCT 1

RESERVE / Address	CLASS	
Kendall Green 27 Kendall St	Local	 <p>This is a land-locked reserve located right on the southern edge of Pymble. There are tennis courts also located on the reserve. This is a park of high dependence.</p> <p>This is an old 1980s play space comprising a swing, slide and spring animals. It is coming to the end of its useful life.</p>

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Kendall Green**

- It is recommended that this play space be upgraded with new equipment and a bike path or other feature based on community consultation.
- **Priority High**

Potential New Park/Play Space

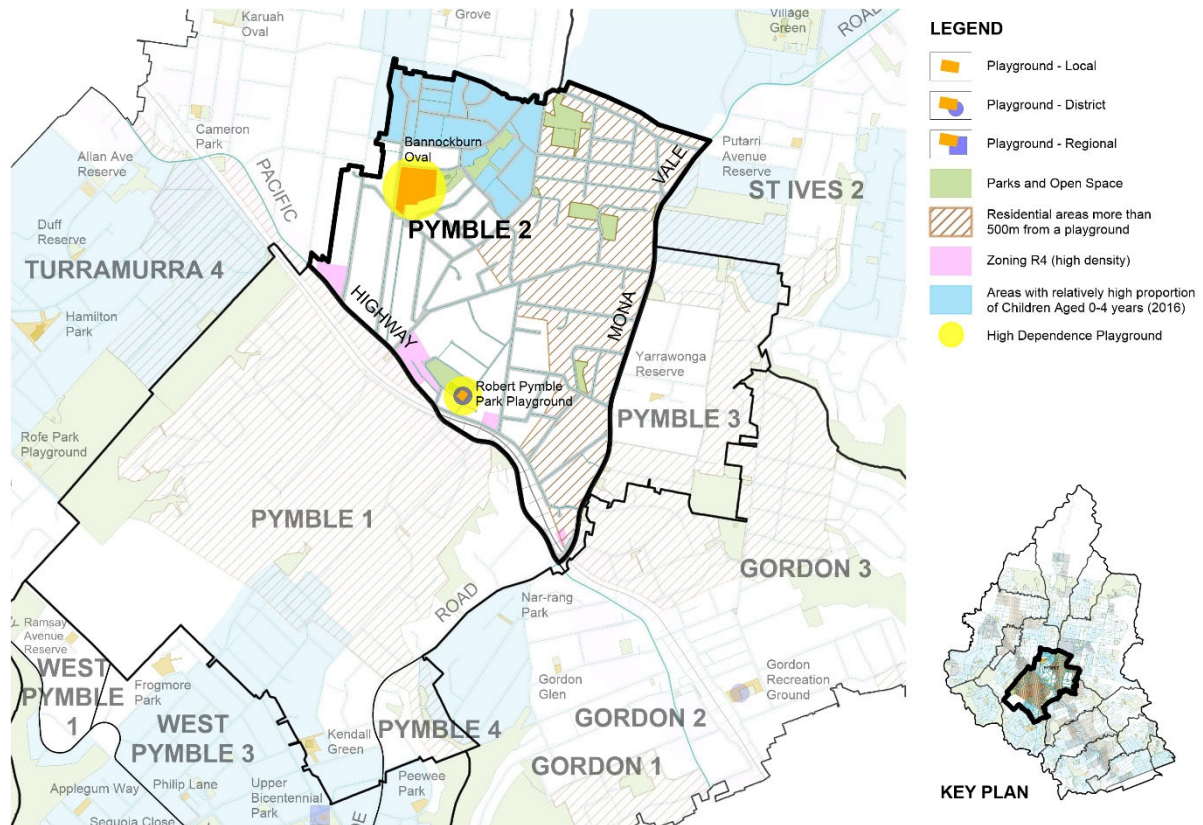
- As the northern end of this precinct develops further, there will be increasing pressure to provide a quality park and play setting closer to the Pacific Highway/railway line. Any opportunity to acquire a prominent, suitable parcel of land on a street easily accessed and with good surveillance by residents, should be taken. This is consistent with the 2006 Open Space Acquisition Strategy.
- **Priority High**

PYMBLE PRECINCT 2

This precinct is located north of the Pacific Highway/ railway line.

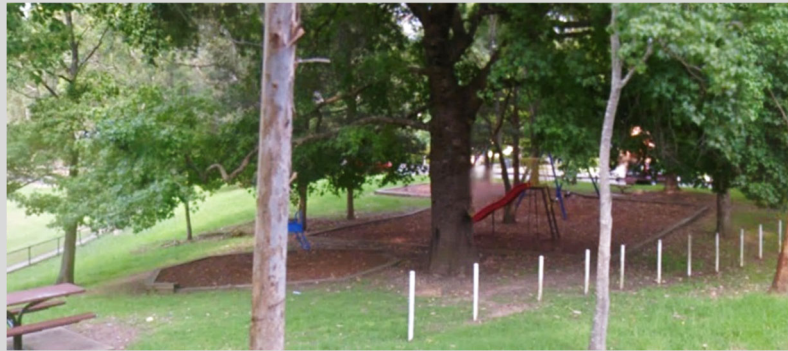
It has only two play spaces. The area north of Bannockburn Park/North Pymble Park has a high proportion of children in the population. There is a large area on the eastern side of the precinct (up to Mona Vale Road) that is not served by play spaces at all though there is a selection of parkland.

The south eastern corner of the precinct east of Wellesley Road is also not well served by play spaces, but there is a small nature reserve providing some open space and access to nature.



PYMBLE PRECINCT 2**Bannockburn Oval
/North Pymble
Park**

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Bannockburn Rd /
Birubi Ave**Local**

This play space is located on the corner of the oval, located on a very small footprint between the road and the field. It is well shaded by tall exotic trees and contains a swing, freestanding slide, climbing frame and 'bull worker'. It has older style equipment, in good order, but offering low play value considering the high level of dependence upon it.

**Robert Pymble
Park**between Park
Cres. and Alma St**District**

This is a large corner reserve with tennis courts. The play space is well located in a prominent location on Alma St.

The space is green and attractive with a framework of tall shady trees and a sloping terrain. The play space is partly fenced and uses a hedge as a partial barrier.

It contains some older equipment including a swing, freestanding slide, spinner, see saw, and spring toy.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Bannockburn Park/North Pymble Park**

- When this play equipment is due to be replaced the space should be relocated and designed to create a higher quality local play space. This needs to cater for a broader range of users and activities than a typical local play space because of the high level of dependence upon it.
- Investigate potential for larger local playspace in North Pymble Park at the Rushall Street frontage or the Station Street frontage with a network of link paths to the oval and car park areas.
- **Priority low**

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PYMBLE PRECINCT 2**Robert Pymble Park**

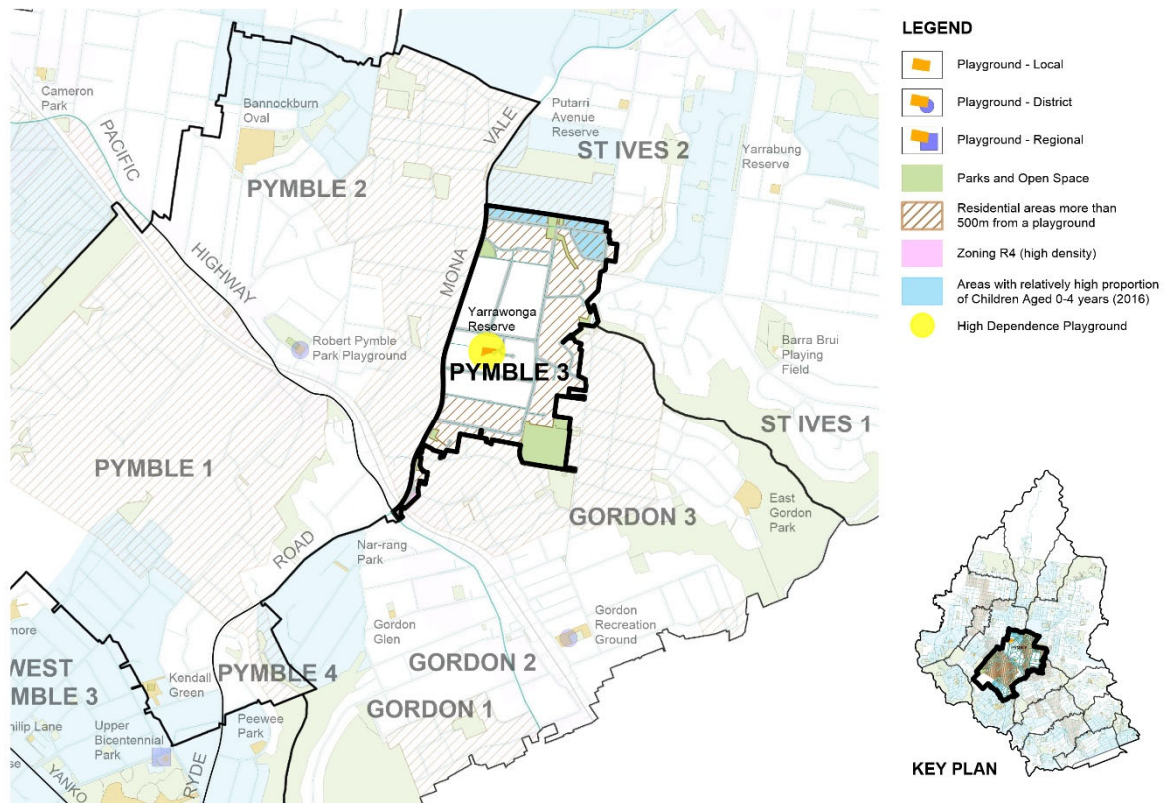
- This play space is very important as a District play space in the context of Pymble where there is only one other play space for the whole precinct north of the Pacific Highway/ railway line.
- A Landscape master-plan for the park is being prepared to guide future embellishment in consultation with the community and this will include the play space area and potential for improvement.
- **Priority high**

New site

- It is recommended that a new local/district level play space be created to serve the north/eastern area of Pymble. It is worth investigating Friars Field on Ganmain Road as a potential location. This reserve is reasonably prominent and accessible to this part of the precinct and is centrally located so that it would provide a good addition to the play spaces for this northern area. Any new design should carefully complement Robert Pymble reserve and Bannockburn Park.
- **Priority medium/low**

PYMBLE PRECINCT 3

There is only one play space in this precinct. The percentage of children in this population is not high relative to other precincts.



PYMBLE PRECINCT 3**Yarrawonga Reserve**

Yarrawonga Close

Local

The equipment here comprises only a swing and a see saw, and these are coming to the end of their useful life.

This site is an unsuitable location for a play space, nested at the end of a one way street. It is not prominent enough for users from across the precinct to know of its existence.

It is recommended that the equipment be removed.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Yarrawonga Reserve**

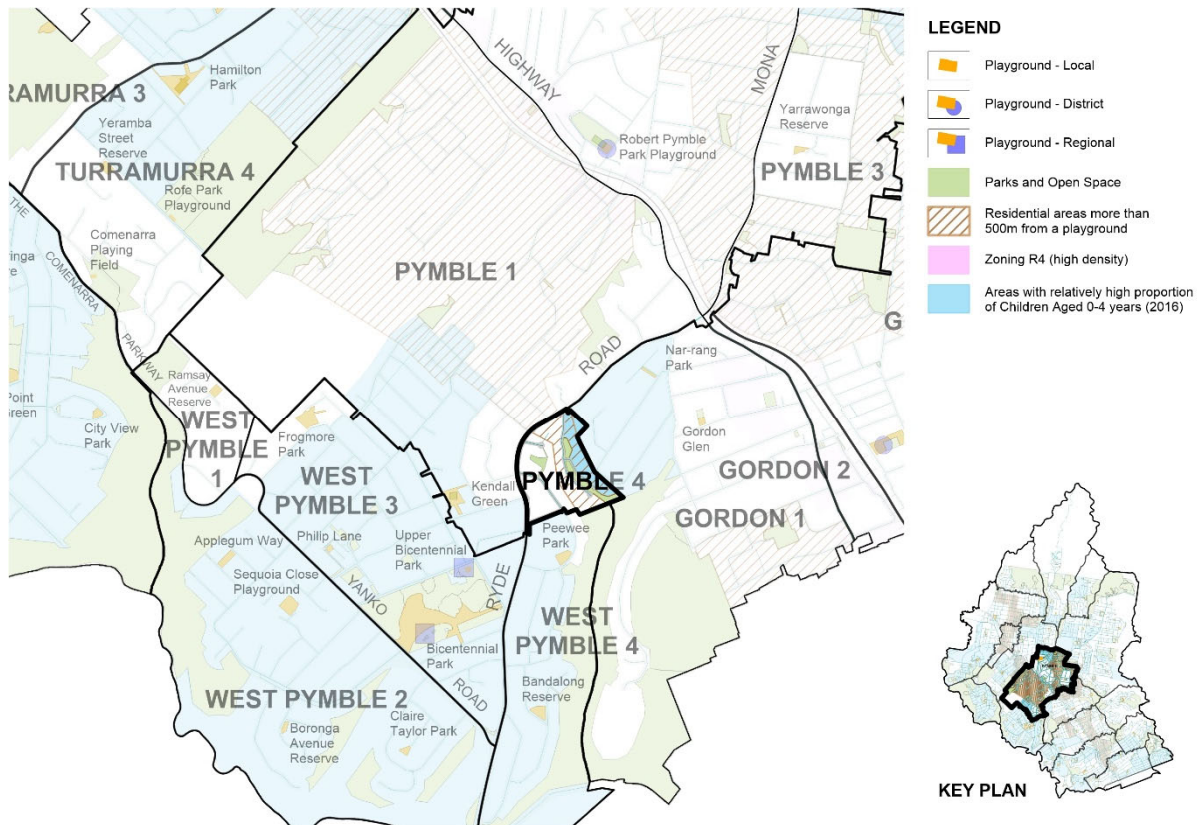
- It is recommended that the equipment be removed and not reinstated
- Consider disposal to purchase land in a better location for a local park or to provide funding to develop a play space at an undeveloped park such as Bowes Thystlethwaite.
- **Priority low**

Alternative New Park/Play Space

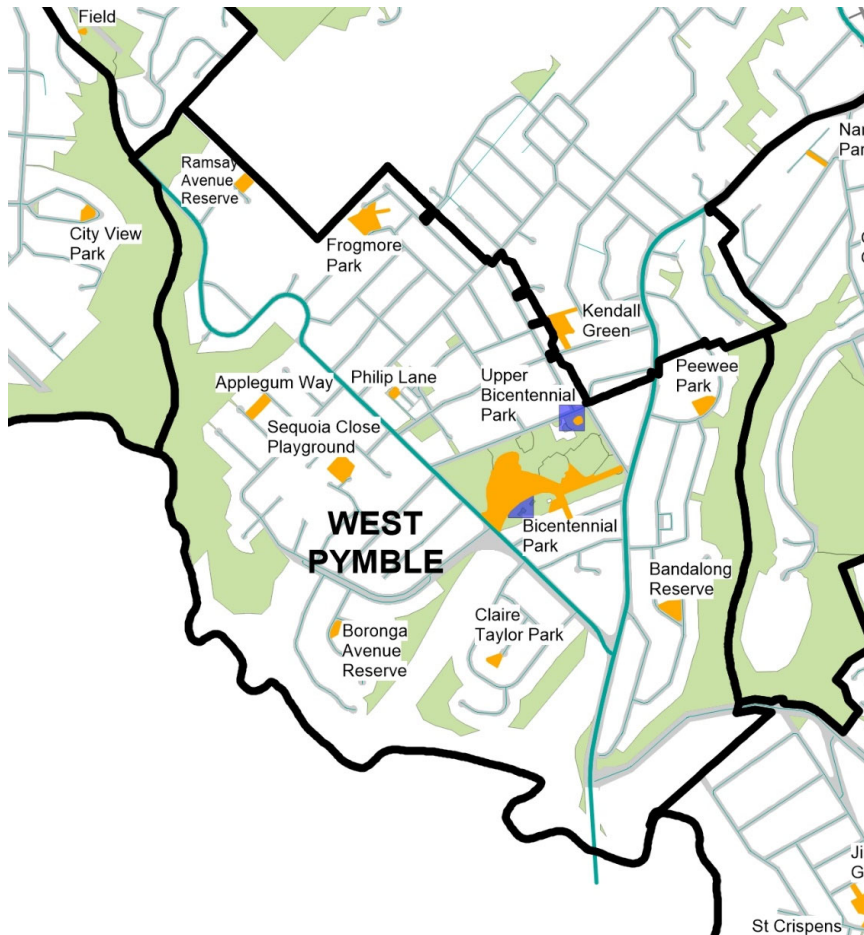
- It is recommended that council investigates a suitable alternative location for another play space in this precinct as there is a relatively large area not served at all by play facilities
- **Priority medium**

PYMBLE PRECINCT 4

This small corner of Pymble is located east of Mona Vale Road. It does not have a purpose-provided play space but does have easy access to Nature Reserves such as Blackbutt Creek Reserve and other smaller creek reserves. It does not have a high proportion of children in the population, nor medium or high density housing. It is not considered a high priority for play provision.



West Pymble



WEST PYMBLE OVERVIEW

West Pymble is located in the southwest of Ku-ring-gai. It is divided by the Yanko Road/Comenarra Parkway and drops to the Lane Cove river along the municipal boundary to the south west. There is a well-distributed network of play spaces with most residences within walking distance of play spaces, as well as access to creeks and bushland. There are reasonably high densities of children in West Pymble 2, 3 and 4. Housing densities are low.

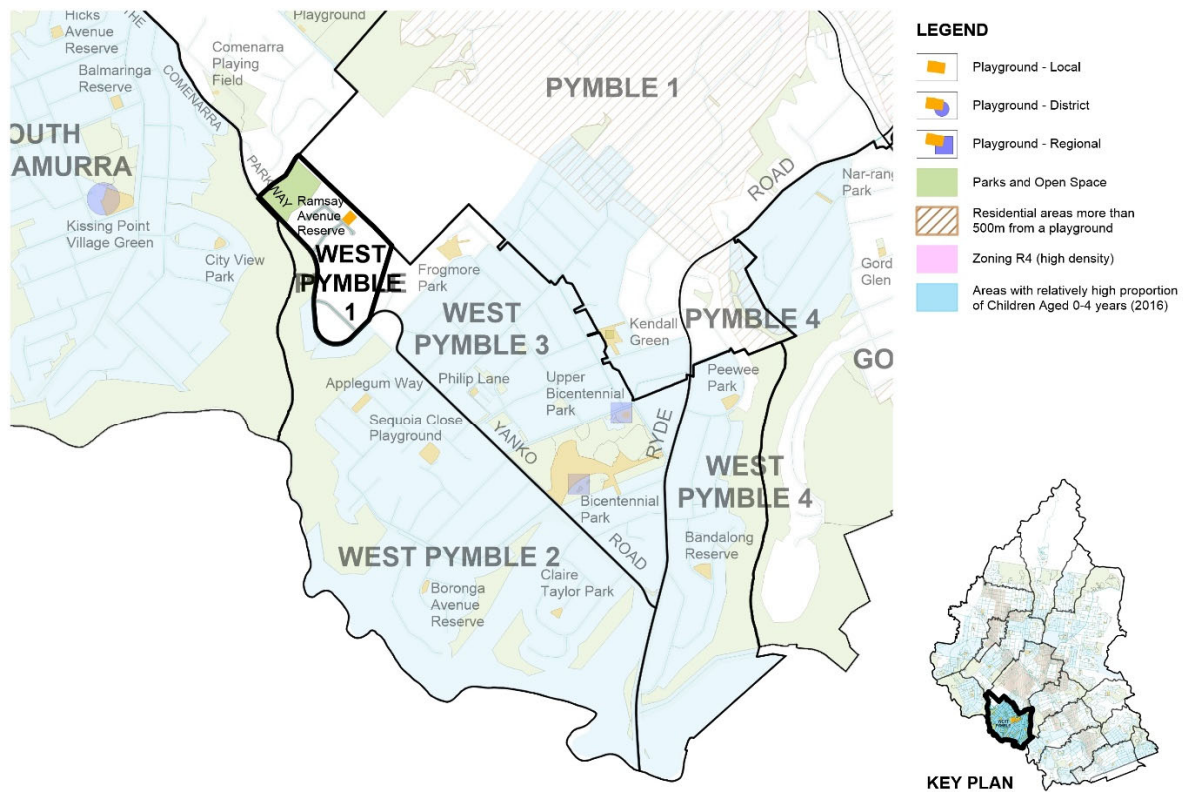
WEST PYMBLE PRECINCT 1

OVERVIEW


This precinct is a small island of residential land bounded by a golf course to the West; a bushland/nature reserve to the east, and the Comenarra Parkway to the south. It is effectively surrounded by open space.

The housing blocks are characterized by large private properties, in a leafy setting. The proportion of children as a percentage of the population in this part of West Pymble is lower than the rest of the suburb.

There is only one play space in this small precinct. It has only a very small catchment population.



WEST PYMBLE PRECINCT 1

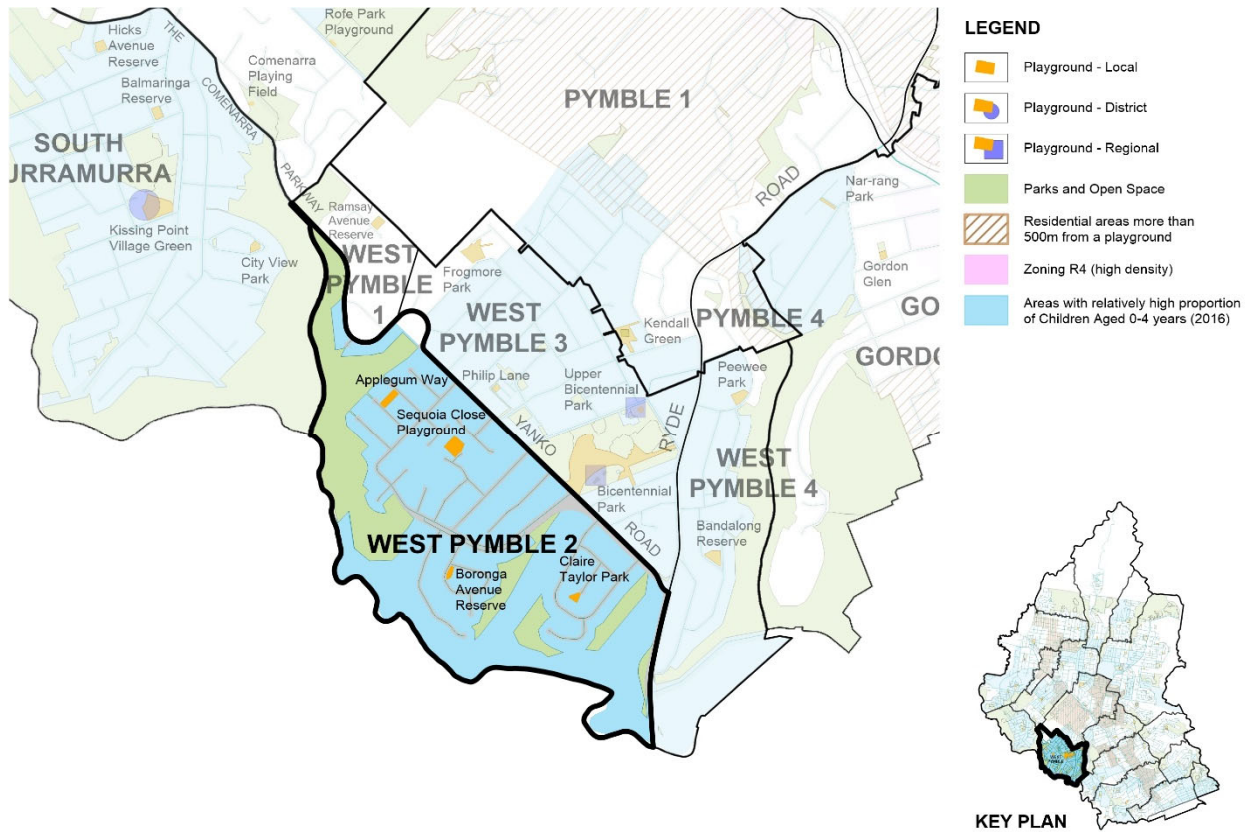
RESERVE / Address	CLASS	DESCRIPTION
Ramsay Avenue Reserve Ramsay Ave	Local	 <p>The equipment here offers poor play value and is not worth maintaining. It is recommended that the equipment be removed.</p>

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Ramsay Avenue Reserve**



- It is recommended that the equipment be removed.
- The park itself should remain. It provides a useful and attractive lawn / kickabout space for ball games and general play. Some furniture could be added if required. Links to other bushland trails could be added.
- **Priority Low**

WEST PYMBLE PRECINCT 2



This precinct is located in the southern section of West, south of Yanko Rd and bounded by the Lane Cove River. The southern edge of the residential areas comprises bushland. It is an area with reasonably high density of children in the local population.



WEST PYMBLE PRECINCT 2

RESERVE / Address	CLASS	DESCRIPTION
Applegum Way Reserve Hillary St	Local	 <p>This is an attractive treed park. This is not an ideal site for a public play space as it literally only caters for residents within a few hundred meters, because of the street layout.</p> <p>The equipment comprises a climbing unit, swings and spring toy.</p>
Sequoia Close Park Sequoia Close	Local	 <p>This reserve is located behind houses and cannot be seen from any street. The equipment comprises an Orbitor, tee swing, megatoy swing.</p> <p>The park is not far from a primary school that is also not located on a main street, and is hidden away at the end of two local streets.</p>

WEST PYMBLE PRECINCT 2

RESERVE / Address	CLASS	DESCRIPTION
Boronga Avenue Reserve Boronga Avenue	Local	 <p>This play space is centrally located on a narrow reserve which is prominent in its local residential area. It feels somewhat exposed to the road. The play space offers very poor play value (one swing and one freestanding slide).</p>
Claire Taylor Park Camira St	Local	 <p>This play space is located at the end of a cul de sac where few residents can see or access it. It has a swing, slide and see saw.</p>

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS

None of the play spaces here are well located within their precinct. With the possible exception of Boronga Ave Reserve, none of these sites are prominent, so few residents would know of their existence. The equipment is fairly basic in all of the reserves, many offer very low play value, and none appear to have paths or other embellishments. They therefore do not deliver good value for the investment in assets and maintenance.

It is recommended that Council considers the following suggestions:

- All four of the existing reserves should be retained as open space

WEST PYMBLE PRECINCT 2

RESERVE / Address	CLASS	DESCRIPTION
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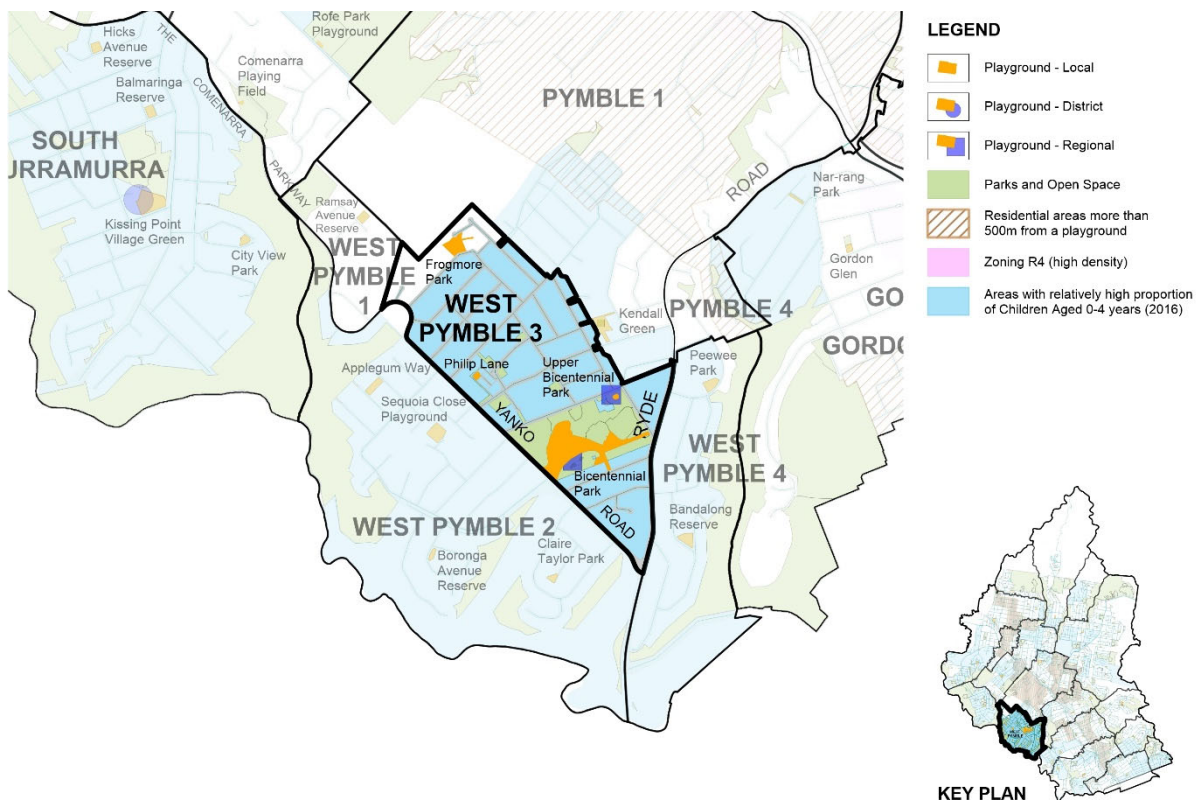
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remove all of the equipment in all four of these reserves (Applegum, Sequoia, Boronga, and Claire Taylor) Prepare a landscape master-plan with community consultation for the four sites Sequoia Close should be developed as the main local play space, as it is linked to the primary school. Claire Taylor can be provided with play equipment For Applegum and Boronga reserves, consult residents about future alternative play/recreation design options, choosing from a suite of lower maintenance elements such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a hard court of some kind bike circuit forest/ nature zones open grass kickabout area /goal posts boulders for clambering seating walking path /circuit other ideas that emerge. | | |
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Only low maintenance ideas should be considered.


- Priority high**

WEST PYMBLE PRECINCT 3

This precinct has a reasonably high proportion of children in the population. It includes the very large Bicentennial Park which is a regional park, and also has two smaller reserves. This precinct is reasonably well provided for in terms of access to play.



WEST PYMBLE PRECINCT 3

RESERVE / Address	CLASS	DESCRIPTION
Bicentennial Park Playground Prince of Wales Dr	Regional	 <p>Bicentennial Park is a large and complex Regional Park that offers a series of sporting and recreation precincts including netball, cricket, soccer, bowling and an aquatic centre, as well as trails and bushland. There are two play areas.</p> <p>Bicentennial Park playground has been upgraded in 2018/19.</p> <p>This play space is a regional facility. It is located deep within the reserve between the aquatic centre, the cricket oval and another low key sports field. This is a focal point for many activities such as school carnivals as well as family outings. There is no public surveillance from the road.</p>
Bicentennial Park Upper Playground Lofberg Rd/Shaddock Ave	Local	 <p>The Upper Playground in Bicentennial Park serves the north west corner of West Pymble.</p>

WEST PYMBLE PRECINCT 3

RESERVE / Address	CLASS	DESCRIPTION
		The Upper Playground was installed in 2017 adjacent to the pre-school and hall.
Frogmore Park Wyomee Ave	Local	 <p>This is an attractive, green park with a good framework of shade trees. It is well located within its residential zone on a reasonably prominent corner with links through to a back street. The park is fenced to Wyomee Ave. It is reported to be reaching the end of its useful life.</p> <p>The site has some excellent trees including one with very low branches that appear to be good for climbing.</p>
Phillip Lane Park Yanko Rd/ Kendall St/Phillip Lane	Local	 <p>This small park is located close to a small commercial precinct in West Pymble. On the neighbouring block is West Pymble Village Green</p> <p>Both sites are close to a Catholic primary school (Our Lady of Perpetual Succour) and St Marks Catholic Church. The school has no green space within its grounds.</p> <p>The play equipment has recently been repaired and the mulch area renovated, with a new fence to the road.</p>

WEST PYMBLE PRECINCT 3**SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the play spaces in this precinct be considered as follows:

Bicentennial Park Upper Playground

- Upgrade in progress.
- **Priority low**

Bicentennial Park Regional Play space

- This space was upgraded in 2018/19
- **Priority low**

Frogmore Park

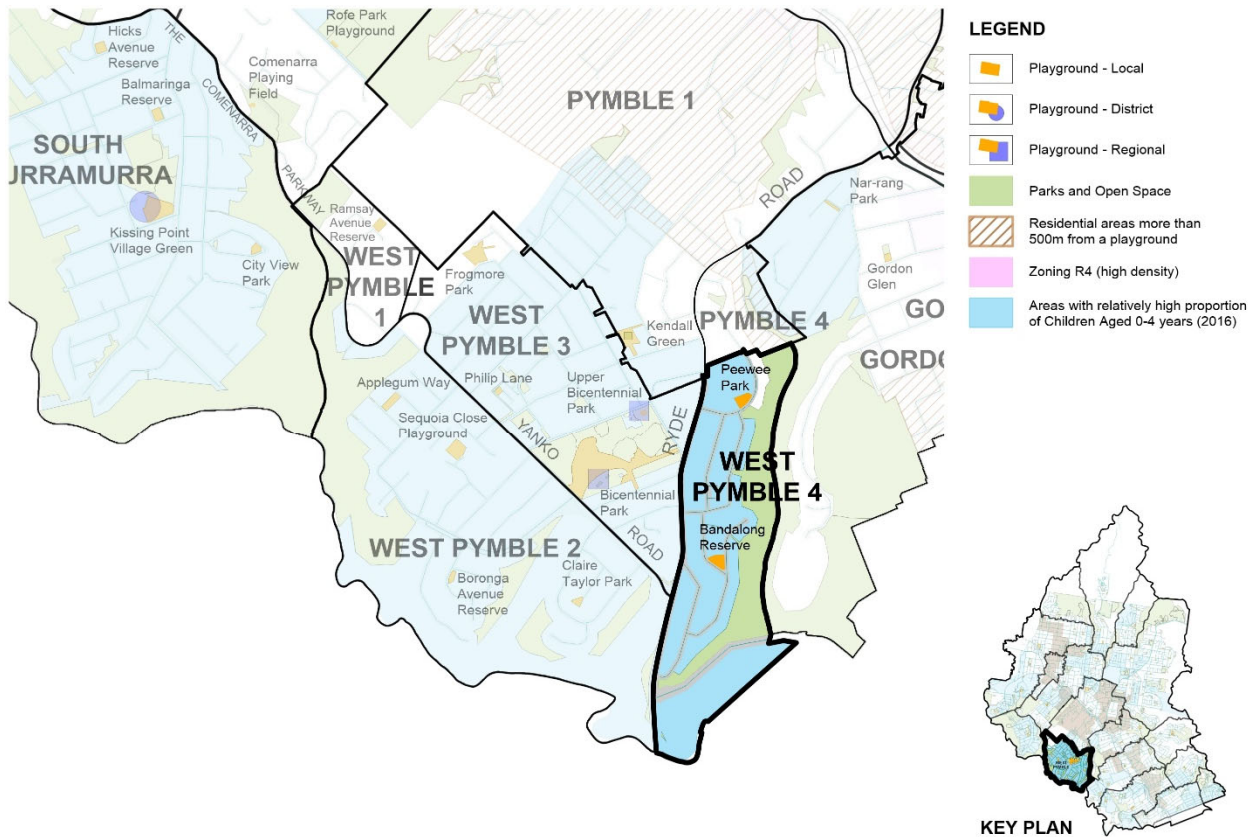
- When the equipment here comes to the end of its useful life the playspace should be re-designed. The character should reflect trees and nature and could possibly avoid too much colourful equipment.
- **Priority low**

Phillip Lane Park


- The play space has recently been renovated.
- **Priority low**

WEST PYMBLE PRECINCT 4


This precinct is located west of Ryde Road. It has two play spaces which are both well located to serve the precinct.



WEST PYMBLE PRECINCT 4

RESERVE / Address	CLASS	DESCRIPTION
Pee Wee Park Kiparra St	Local	 <p>This park is well located on a prominent street. It is connected directly through the fence line to Gordon West Primary School.</p>

WEST PYMBLE PRECINCT 4

		The equipment is listed by council's officers as reaching the end of its useful life. The site is fenced to the street and has an attractive stand of tall trees close to the rear fence adjacent to the school. There is a slope on the site which offers good play potential that has not been taken advantage of in the current design.
Bandalong Reserve Bandalong Ave	Local	 <p>This is a well located, attractive park on a prominent corner. It has a good framework of trees. The equipment offers a swing, double spring rocker and a climbing unit which offers a reasonable degree of complexity. There is some park furniture nearby but no path.</p>

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Pee Wee Park**

- It is recommended that when the current equipment has reached the end of its useful life, it should be redesigned and the whole play space be upgraded in consultation with the adjoining West Gordon Public School.
- Some suggestions for the new design include:
 - Treat this as a park with more potential for social interaction than other small parks, because of the relationship with the school. Parents and children might use this as a meeting place after school.
 - Some attention should therefore be paid to linking an accessible picnic table and seats to the play space and to the path.
 - Retain and protect the large trees on the site.
 - Consider adding some nature /imaginative play elements amongst the trees.
 - Remove the existing retaining wall and retain the slope with large sandstone rocks for clambering and low key climbing.
 - Re-design the equipment using the change in level to provide additional interest and play value.
 - Take into account the range of children's needs, from kindergarten to senior primary.
 - Make sure the style of design of all elements is different here from Bandalong Reserve and also make sure it differs from equipment in the school ground.
 - Make sure that a good sized, open, flat space is retained for ball games.
- **Priority medium**

Bandalong Reserve

- Upgrade when the equipment is ready to be replaced
- Ensure the new equipment is different from the Pee Wee Park design.
- **Priority low**

Gordon



GORDON OVERVIEW

Gordon is divided between north and south by the Pacific Highway /railway line corridor.

The suburb has been divided here into three precincts.

This suburb is experiencing growth in high density housing in this central zone on both sides of the highway /railway corridor. One pocket of Precinct 1, to the west, has a high proportion of children in the population.

Gordon has some large bushland reserves on the southern and the north eastern edges. Many areas have large residential blocks. The centre of Gordon is listed in Council's 2006 report as a priority for Acquisition of Open Space.

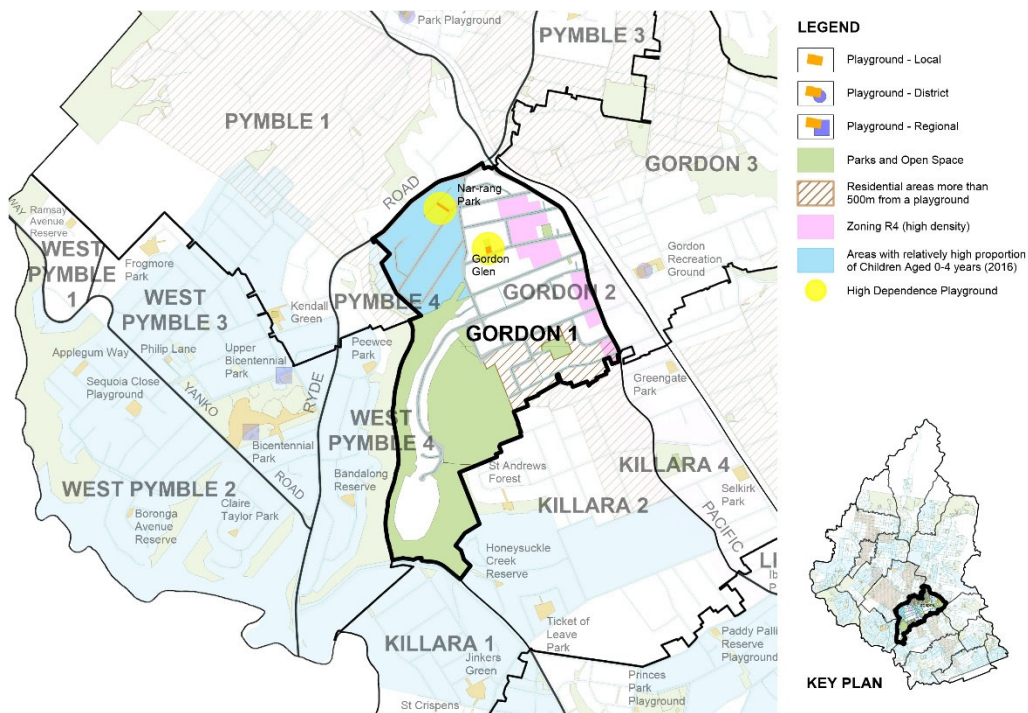
A large zone on the north west side of Gordon Precinct 1 is not served by play spaces.

GORDON PRECINCT 1

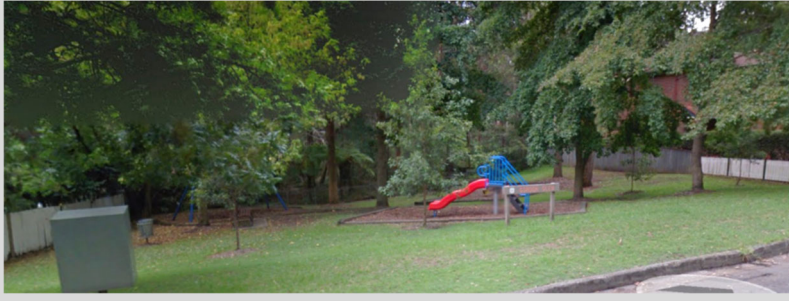

This precinct sits south of the railway line corridor. It has two small play spaces; both are classified as local. Both offer very limited space and play value.

The south eastern corner is not served by any play spaces.

This area has had some land acquired behind the chambers at the top of Dumaresq St.



GORDON PRECINCT 1

RESERVE / Address	CLASS	
Gordon Glen Dumaresq St	Local	 <p>This is a beautiful little park with a very poor play space.</p> <p>The equipment here comprises a swing, a slide and a see saw. The slide is new but the rest of the equipment is older.</p> <p>At the moment this is an important play space because of the high dependence upon it and only one other play space in this precinct.</p>
Na Rang Park Ridge St	Local	 <p>This reserve is an extremely narrow space, barely wide enough to contain the play equipment and softfall surface. The equipment is very basic with low play value, but is reported to be in good working order.</p> <p>There is some strong planting along the fence line that could offer some interest for children for cubby play.</p>

GORDON PRECINCT 1, cont.**SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**

Overall the play spaces offer poor play value here with emphasis on freestanding equipment, and few options for creative play with planting/ natural materials, use of landscape or site levels for play, access and inclusion, or challenging play opportunities for children.

Gordon Glen

- Prepare a concept plan for the site that takes into account the natural setting for exploration and play.
- There is opportunity to extend the space into the bushland; create inviting opportunities for a bushwalk in the bushland area of the park behind and a bridge over the creek would add value and open this site up to nature play. Consider adding a fence if required.
- The land acquired for a new Civic Centre (at the top of the hill) must incorporate a play space that provides access and variety.
- **Priority high**

Na-Rang Reserve

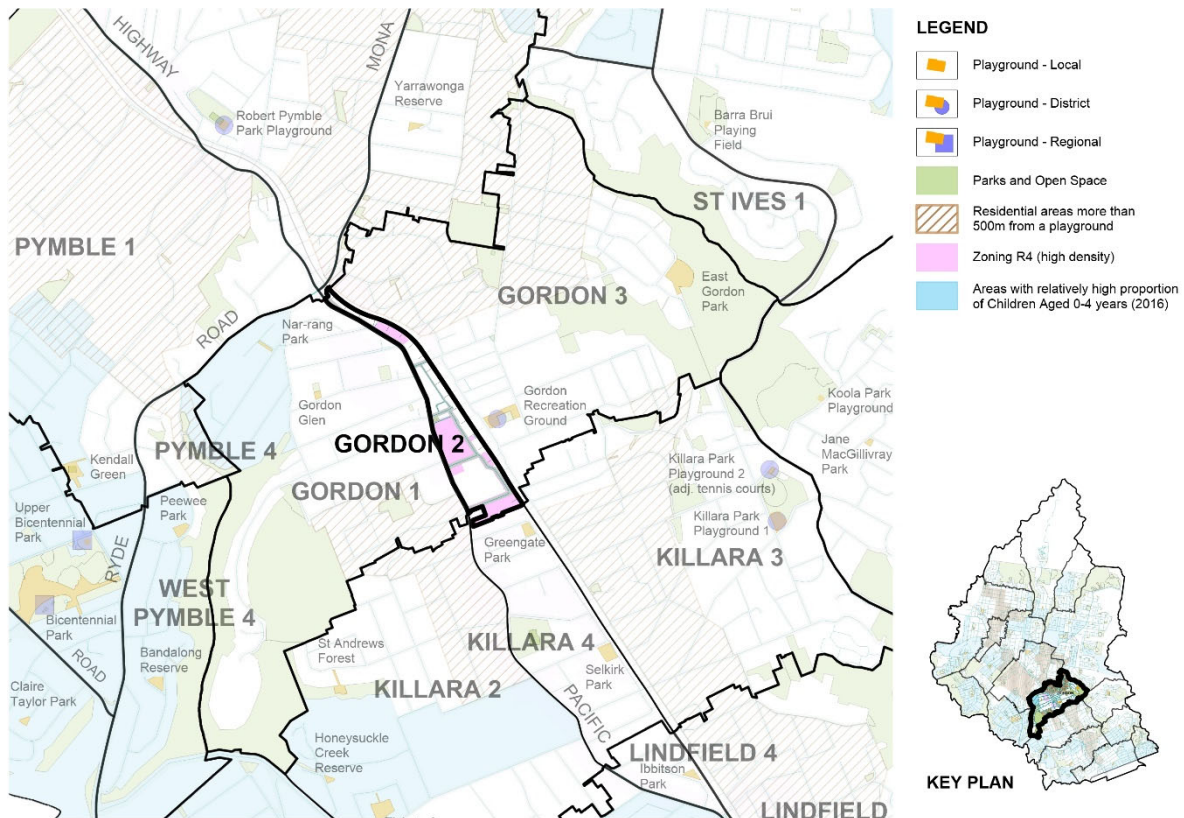
- Given the poor access to other play opportunities in this precinct, this reserve is more important than it would appear.
- This reserve could have some minor landscape elements added that would add some creative/ imaginative play , especially utilizing the vegetation hanging over the fence.
- A shade pergola, with seating and a low play deck could possibly be adapted here to this narrow space, in addition to the existing equipment.
- Add shade and more planting and maximise the access/inclusiveness of any new features
- **Priority high**

New play space

- A new play space should be provided in this precinct to support the functions of the new development of the land behind and including the current Council Chambers. This must incorporate a significant inclusive playspace with incorporated public art and shade.
- The design should be completely different/complementary to Na rang Reserve
- **Priority extremely high**

GORDON PRECINCT 2

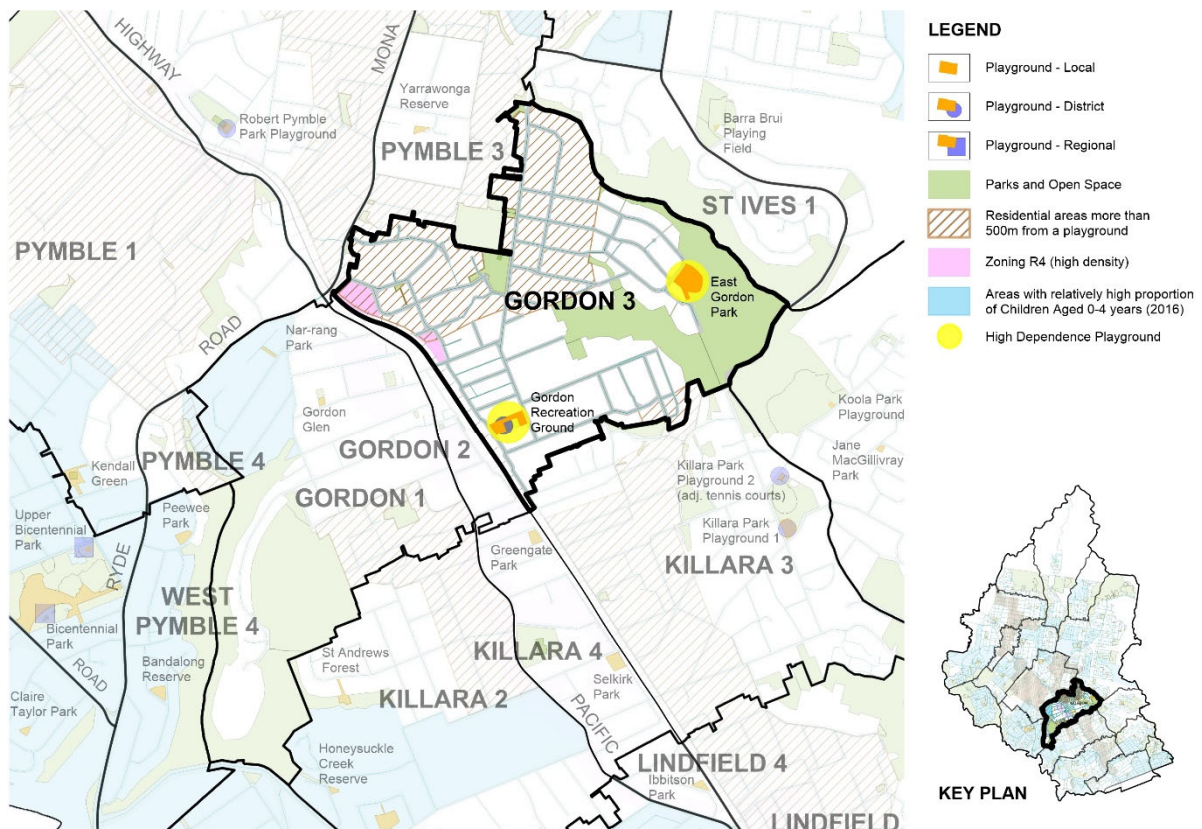
This small precinct lies between the railway line and the Pacific Highway. It is largely zoned commercial and includes a school; there is only a tiny pocket of residential land here. There are no play spaces, but it is not considered a priority for play space acquisition.



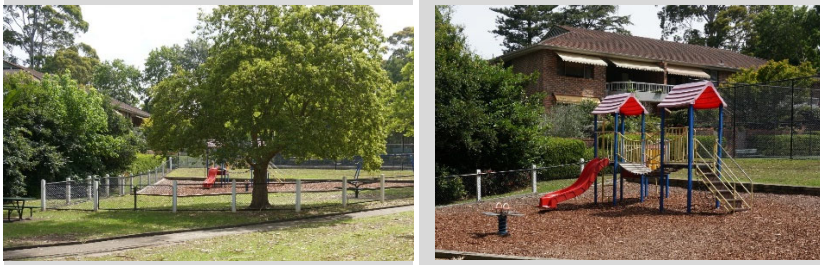

GORDON PRECINCT 3

This relatively large precinct has only two play spaces, and the western side is not served by play spaces at all.

There is a large amount of open space on the fringe of the precinct, in creek catchments and bushland reserves, but less available for active play and recreation. The bushland reserves offer excellent opportunities for nature play for children and their carers to explore.



GORDON PRECINCT 3

Gordon Recreation Ground Werona Ave/ Rosedale Rd	District	 <p>This is a very attractive, sloping park with tennis courts, some heritage buildings, and some important remnant turpentine trees as well as exotic species. It has a small, well used play space that is fenced; it is currently aimed at young children. The equipment is very basic and is reported to be at the end of its useful life.</p>
Darnley Oval/ East Gordon Park Elgin/ Darnley Sts	Local	 <p>The fenced play space is located on the narrow edge of an oval set between the residential area and the bushland reserve. This play equipment comprises swings, climber, slide, daisy swing, see-saw, spin pole & flying fox. These are reported to be in good order</p>

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Gordon Recreation Ground**

- This attractive site should have a new District level play space custom designed to provide access and to utilise the site levels for play value and visual interest. Upgrade with new landscape design for a range of ages and abilities. As a busy play space it must provide a good level of accessible social amenities.
- This site is currently the subject of a district park landscape Masterplan with input from the community, taking into account the Heritage listing and character of the park and EEC forest trees.
- The plan proposes to upgrade the existing play space area with more play opportunities and take advantage of the topography, with construction due to be completed in 2020.
- There are also considerations for a unisex family accessible toilet.
- **Priority high**

Darnley Oval/ East Gordon Park

- No action currently required
- **Priority low**

New play space

- The western side of this precinct is lacking in play spaces.
- Investigate the site at 32B Rosedale Road (the southern-most extremity of Richmond Park) to build a new play space.
- This should be designed in a sensitive manner that reflects the bushland setting.

- Add wayfinding signage on the link paths at entries from Richmond Park specifically to direct people through the park to the play space. The site will need to be fenced on all sides.
- **Priority** medium

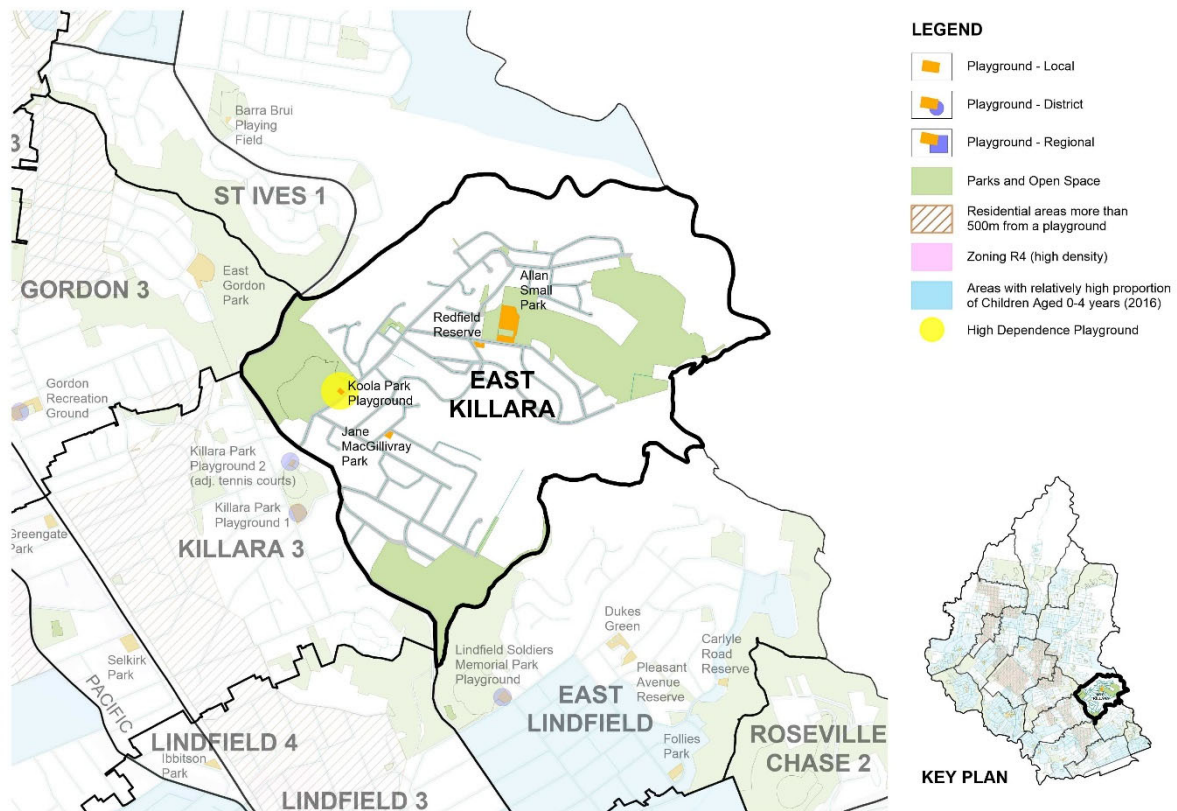
East Killara


EAST KILLARA OVERVIEW

Killara East is a promontory of residential land that juts out into the Garigal National Park above the upper waters of Middle Harbour.

This precinct is surrounded by national park and bushland. There is no high-density housing here. There are currently three parks with play spaces here and most residential areas have access to these, within walking distance.

There is also an exercise area (not play space) on the edge of the oval on Koola Road opposite the Killara High School, with a perimeter path for jogging and cycling and exercise stations around it for school use. this has been shown on the map.



EAST KILLARA			
No	RESERVE / Address	CLASS	
	Redfield Reserve Saiala /Redfield Rds	Local	 <p>This small park is located directly opposite Alan Small Park. The equipment is sub-standard and has been earmarked for removal. This play space is surplus given the proximity of Allan Small Park. Additional equipment such as swings that can be used by everyone can be incorporated into Allan Small site.</p>
	Jane McGillivray Park Eastgate/ Fairburn Ave	Local	 <p>This is an attractive, sloping, fenced, corner site with mature, exotic trees providing good shade. The play space is located on the other side of the suburb from Allan Small Park, and not far from the Killara High School. The equipment remains in good condition.</p>

EAST KILLARA , cont.

Allan Small Park
Saiala Rd

Local



This play space is set within the sports courts of a sports reserve. The arrangement is very confined but it does have some furniture, and young trees have been planted. It has two separate spaces that have been upgraded.

- The junior zone has a slide, cubby, swing and rocker and is fenced.
- The senior zone has a climber, spinner and rocker.
- There is no swing here.

There is plenty of access to play in adjoining bushland at this site.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS

Redfield Reserve

- Remove the play equipment and do not replace on this site. The land could be sold; the funds could be re-allocated to play space redevelopment in this area.
- **Priority Low**

Allan Small Park

- Add some rubber softfall rubber paths through the play areas to make access easier.
- A senior and junior double swing (preferably on two separate double frames) could ideally be incorporated into the play opportunities on this reserve if there is space; link these with the paths
- Consider seeking out other ways of using the embankment and bushland for to add to the play value of the overall space.
- Investigate an embankment slide and associated steps and fencing to create an exciting play entrance to this site.
- **Priority Medium**

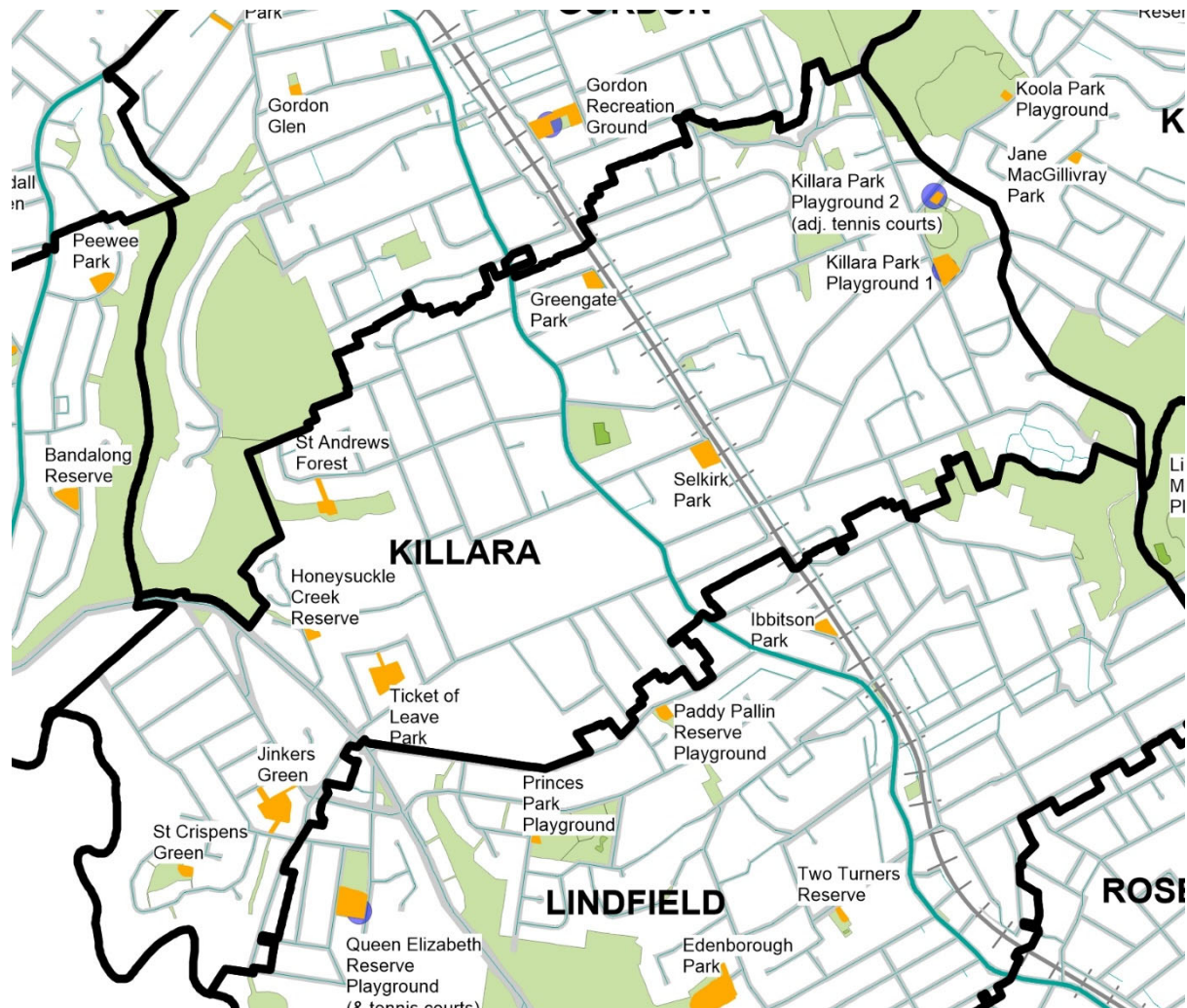
Jane McGillivray Park

- Some additional planting could be used to screen private boundaries
- a more open ended element such as a large, low deck should be added around one of the big trees to extend the play and social potential of this small park. Aim to make this accessible.
- **Priority Low**

Killara

KILLARA OVERVIEW

This Suburb straddles the Pacific Highway/Railway corridor. It has relatively high proportion of children in the population and some areas are not well served by play spaces. The central corridor is increasing in housing density but the character of the south western side of the suburb, especially, is predominantly bushland.



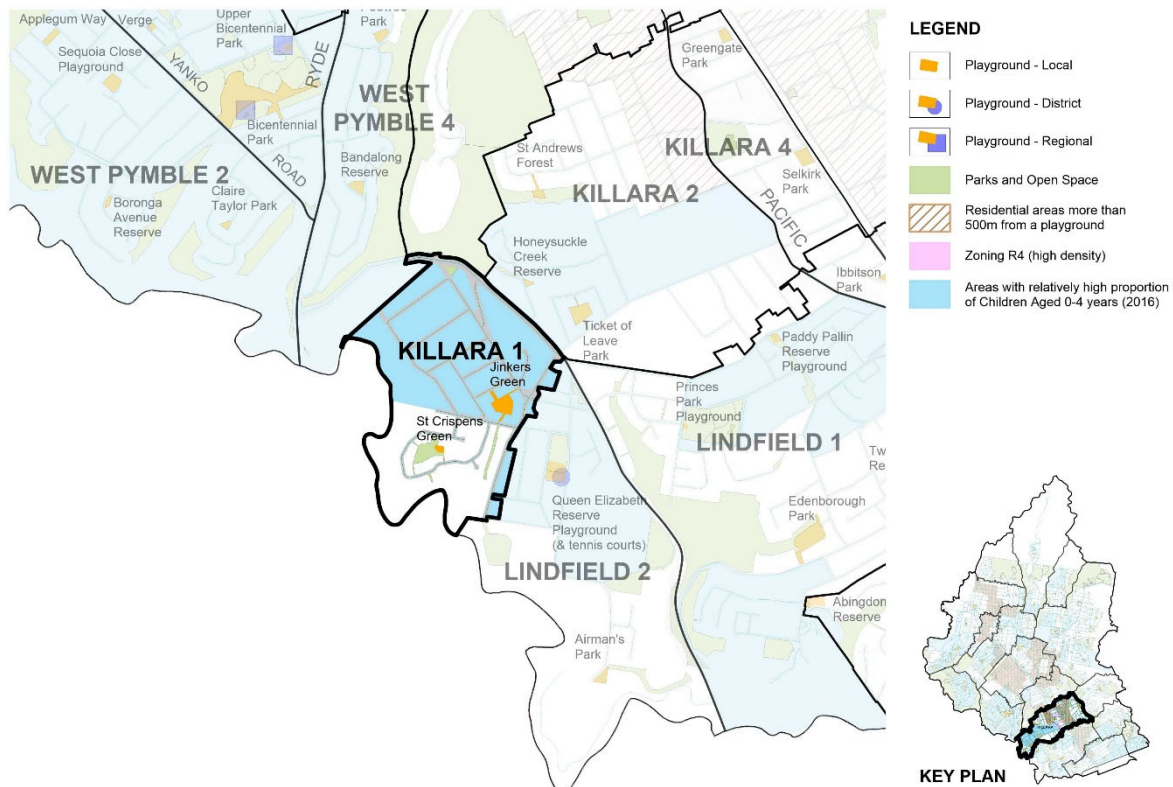
KILLARA PRECINCT 1

Overview


This precinct is characterized by large private properties, in a bushland setting. There are medium densities of children in the population.

There are two parks in this precinct. These are close to the Great North Walk along the Lane Cove River.

The parks are set back behind housing. The catchment of these two spaces is very small.



KILLARA PRECINCT 1

RESERVE / Address	CLASS	
St Crispens Green 16-22 Albert Drive	Local	 <p>This site has excellent views of the city. A tree falling in the park has resulted in some of the equipment being removed. A swing and see-saw are still in place</p>
Jinkers Green Charles St and Montreal Ave	Local	 <p>This site is more centrally located than St Crispens Green and is a very attractive reserve. It is important in the timber-getting history of the area as the location of local saw-pits from early colonial history (1805). This is also a major drainage easement</p> <p>The play space should be retained, as it will be the only remaining local play space in this precinct.</p> <p>This equipment includes swings, a spring toy, and a free standing slide. This equipment was not listed as requiring urgent attention in the 2015 audit. It offers low play value.</p> <p>It is recommended that the play equipment be retained until the end of its useful life.</p> <p>There is a proposal underway to increase the building density at a nearby shopping precinct at which time this site will become more intensively used.</p>

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS

KILLARA PRECINCT 1

Any proposals for these two local reserves need to be planned together so that they are complementary (ie differ from one another). The local community should be consulted.

St Crispens Green.

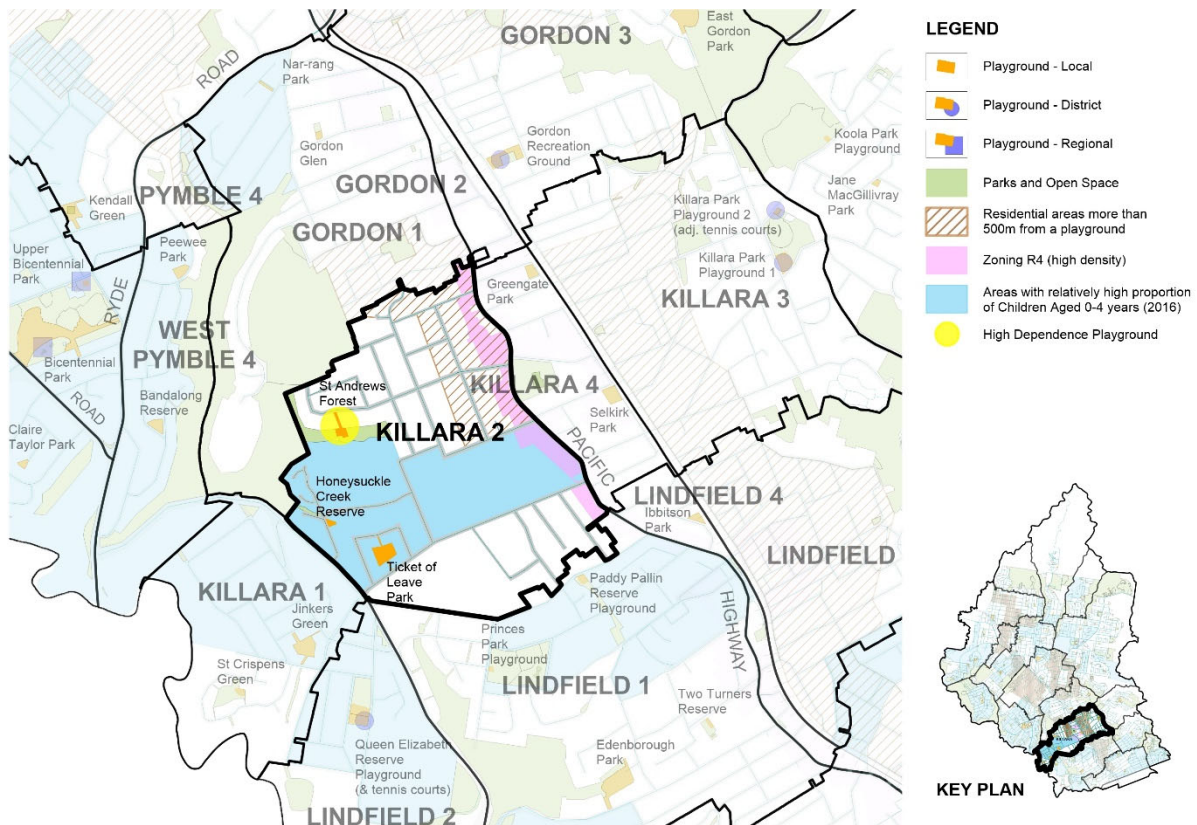
- The park would benefit from additional tree planting and to create an open lawn kickabout space for ball games and general play. Retain the reserve as open space
- Consider replacing the play space with a cycle/exercise path designed to create an alternative and accessible play opportunity here. Local children could be consulted regarding the design, possibly via the local primary school.
- Consider adding a viewing platform to watch fireworks
- Consider adding a heath habitat garden surrounding shelters and BBQ, keeping in mind the bush fire zone.
- Other activities here that could be added include a hard surface and basket ball/netball hoop and a ping-pong table. link these to a path system.
- **Priority Medium**

Jinkers Green

- Retain the equipment until the end of its useful life
- Consider adding some heritage interpretive play elements and some logs to reference the saw-pits.
- Retain a play space at this site and plan for additional development of play space equipment and recreation facilities when Stage 2 development of high-rise at the neighbourhood shopping centre proceeds. These must include accessible/inclusive element.
- Interpret the heritage and habitat and better delineate entrance points with some accessible paths.
- **Priority Low**

KILLARA PRECINCT 2

This precinct is located between Lady Game Drive and the Pacific Highway. It has only three play spaces. There is a large area devoted to golf courses. In spite of the leafy appearance of the south-western edge of this precinct, the eastern edge closer to the Pacific Highway is actually short of parks of any kind and especially short of parks with a quality play space. None of the play spaces in the leafier areas are ideal.



KILLARA PRECINCT 2

**Ticket of
Leave Park**
behind 55
Fiddens
Wharf Rd

Local



This is an attractive treed park in a glorious forest setting. The entrance could be marked in a more prominent way. There is a cycle track nearby.

The play space here was donated and built by a local resident in memory of his spouse and includes some plaques and memorials etc.

The equipment provides for only a narrow band of play activities. It is not listed as requiring repairs.

**Honeysuckle
Creek
Reserve**
Bowes and
Gurin Ave

Local



This is a tiny corner reserve close to Ticket of Leave Park. It is the only play space in this precinct that can be seen from the street.

The space is attractive with a framework of shady trees. It contains a drink bubbler, seating, and shade area and a swing, freestanding slide and spring toy. The play value of this equipment is low.

Because it will remain as the only play space in this part of the precinct, this play space should be redesigned and upgraded to provide a better range of inclusive activities.

KILLARA PRECINCT 2**St Andrews
Forest**8—82
Spencer Rd**Local**

This is another small play space in an unsuitable location, without prominence, surveillance or accessibility. It sits at the back of houses and is only accessed by a steep driveway between houses. It is unlikely that more than a few residents would be aware of it.

The park provides access to the Blackbutt Creek Walking Trail which is overgrown and not sign posted.

The equipment is very basic and is listed as requiring minor repairs. The equipment offers low play value and the qualities of the site itself offer equal value for play and recreation.

It is not considered worth continuing to repair equipment in such a location and it is recommended that this play space be removed and the land be reinstated as parkland.

Grass can continue to be mown and local families can use the space for a variety of play activities. Some elements such as large boulders for play could be designed into the space if desired.

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KILLARA PRECINCT 2, cont.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS

Ticket of Leave Park

- At the end of its useful life it is recommended that this play space be removed and a decision made as to how the space should be redesigned. Local residents should be consulted early regarding the treatment of legacy elements.
- Consider adding a walking/cycling path with some gym equipment stations.
- An artistic entry into the park at the entrance off Fiddens Wharf Road would make this a more prominent site to attract picnicking as part of the cycle route.
- Better marketing of this location would be valuable
- **Priority low**

Honeysuckle Creek Reserve

- Redesign the play space to provide a better quality and more inclusive local play space, recognising that it is a park of high dependence.
- **Priority medium**

St Andrews Forest

- Remove play equipment
- Continue to mow grass
- Consider adding some boulders or other landscape elements for play
- Clean up access to walking trail and add signs
- **Priority Low**

AREAS LACKING PARKS and PLAY SPACES

This is an area with a disparity in housing types, with increasing density closer to the Pacific Highway, a total lack of parks in that same area, and extremely low density towards the south east. Land values are extremely high. Solving the lack of play spaces is therefore complex.

New Acquisition -Priority High

It is worth investigating whether a new block of land could be acquired for a new public park and play space in this neighbourhood. This is in a Priority 2 Zone for land acquisition, according to the 2006 report on Open Space Acquisition.

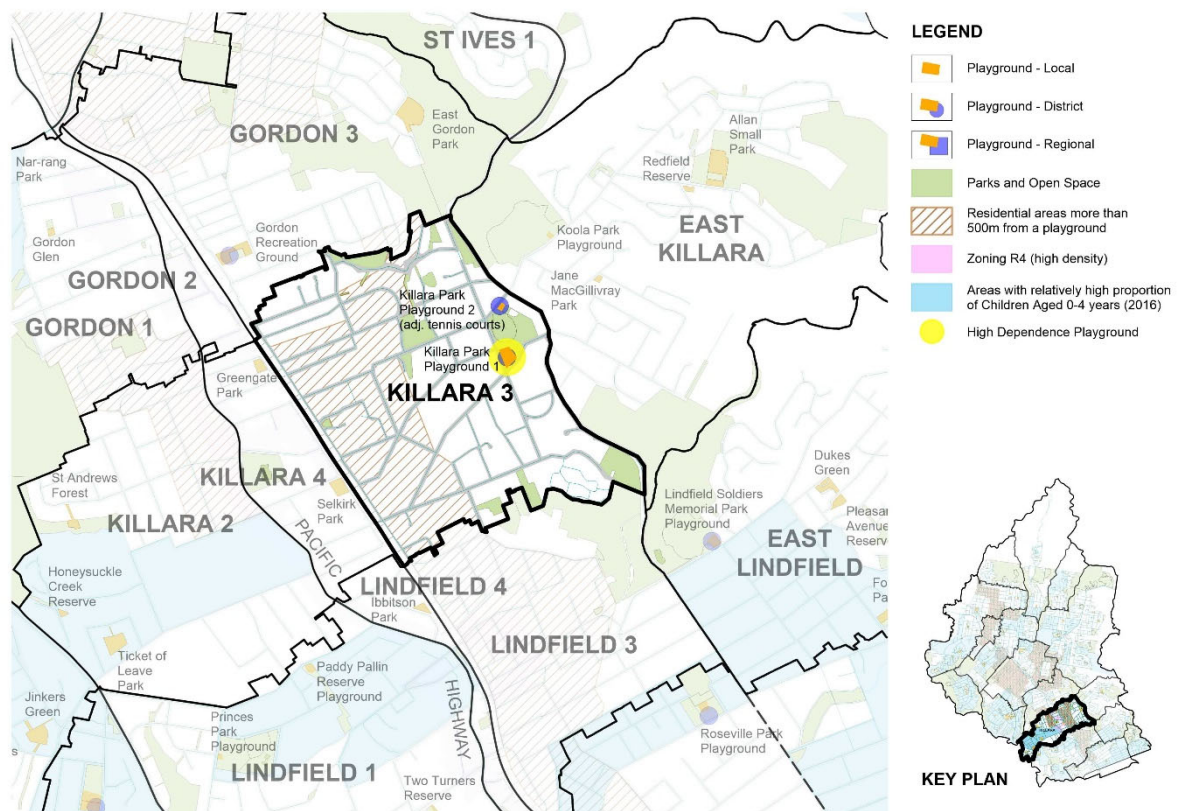
KILLARA PRECINCT 3

This precinct is located north of the railway line.

It has one major park that is located on the northern edge of the precinct and suburb; this park has two play spaces in different areas of the large reserve that also has a cricket oval and tennis courts.

About half of the Precinct between the railway line and Killara Park does not have access to any play spaces. There is a moderately high percentage of children in the precinct here and no high density housing.

There is a small attractive reserve on the corner of Lynwood Avenue, Werona and Maples Avenue. This does not have a purpose - provided play setting.



KILLARA PRECINCT 3

Killara Park Tennis
Koola Ave

District



This equipment offers a fair range of junior activity types (swing, group rocker climber/slide). It is in good condition and aimed at younger children. It is located close to the tennis courts. There is a toilet (accessible) proposed for this park that will be nearby.

The fenced space itself is dull and rectilinear and is not accessible via a path.

Killara Park
Rosebery Road

District



This is a beautiful setting in an important remnant of indigenous turpentine trees. As the only District Park in Killara (and East Killara) this play space is important. The play space was upgraded in 2017. It has a climbing complex that is good for older children. The play space includes an integral path system and a few accessible items. The natural bushland provides a valuable setting for nature play.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Killara Park Tennis**

- Add some planting in character with the park.
- Add a path system linking seating and the play space to enhance amenity and accessibility.
- A perimeter path could be used as a toddler bike circuit.
- Repair the fence and add gates.
- **Priority Low**

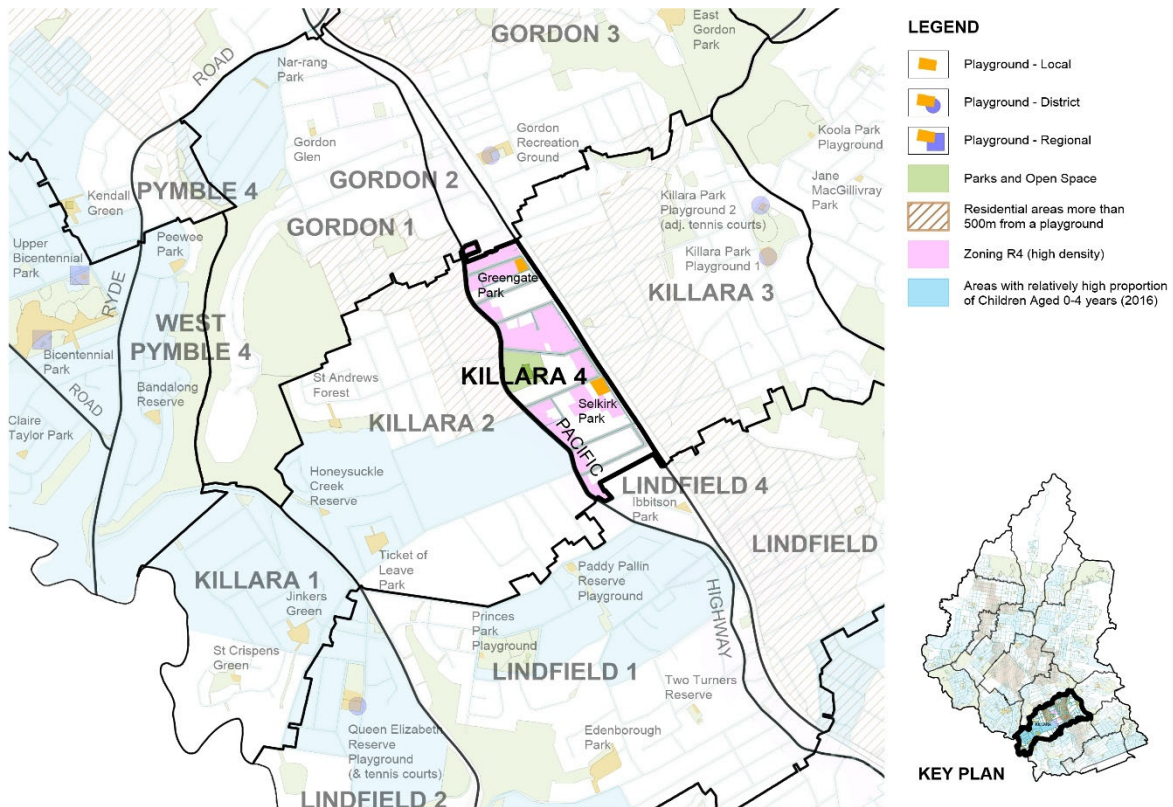
Killara Park (Rosebery Road)

- New equipment installed in 2017

▪ Priority Low

KILLARA PRECINCT 4

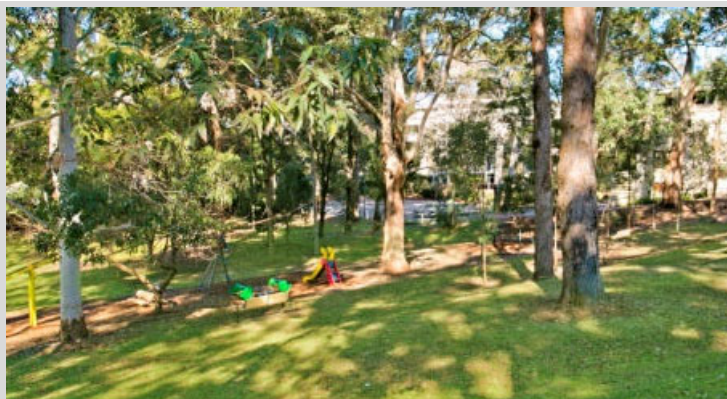
This precinct is located between the railway line and the Pacific Highway. it is a small precinct with a lot of higher density dwellings. There are two play spaces within the precinct which complement each other well.



KILLARA PRECINCT 4

Selkirk Park
cnr Marian St &
Culworth Ave

Local



This is a beautiful site with a dense cover of trees. It is well located on a prominent corner site. The Blue Gum High Forest is categorised as critical EEC and is riparian, making works here complex.

The site is almost completely fenced. Equipment includes a skale swing, slide, see-saw, climbing net, and two swings (one baby).

The space is a low priority for change because the setting offers other non-equipment based play opportunities.

In the interest of diversity across the precinct, play opportunities at Selkirk Park should remain nature based with opportunities to interact with the surrounding natural environment.

Further decision making can be carried out when the future of the adjacent theatre is decided.

Greengate Park
Bruce Ave

Local



This is a new park created by the consolidation of three house blocks. It is physically not far from Ravenswood Girls School. The space is wheelchair accessible though the accessible play opportunities there are possibly limited.

The park provides play equipment for junior children and their parents/carers, and some good social spaces as well as a grassed kickabout space. It has an urban character.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS

No action is required in these two parks.

Greengate Park

- **Priority Low**

Selkirk Park

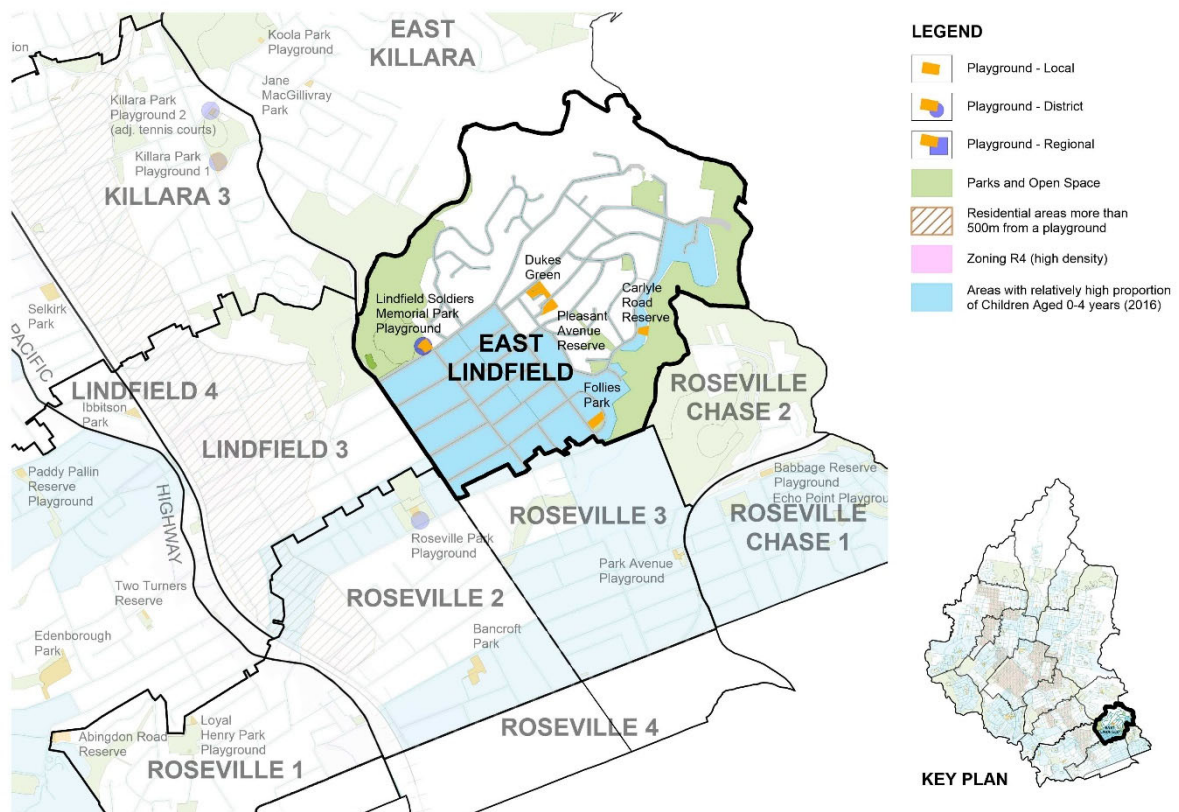
- **Priority Low**

East Lindfield

EAST LINDFIELD OVERVIEW

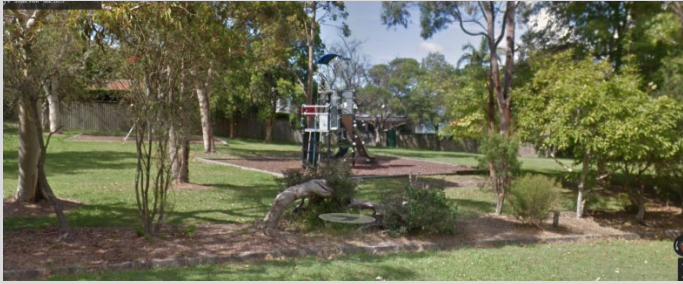

East Lindfield has a high proportion of children in the population, especially in the southern zone.

This suburb has five play spaces, all classified as local. These are reasonably well distributed and most residential areas have access to at least one play space. The north eastern edge of the suburb abuts a national park and there is an area of higher density dwellings (senior living) in this zone.



EAST LINDFIELD		
RESERVE / Address	CLASS	
Lindfield Soldiers Memorial Park Tryon Rd	District	 <p>This is a lovely, well vegetated, sloping site, located close to the Lindfield Oval and to walking trails</p> <p>It serves a reasonably large catchment of users and is reasonably close to a primary school.</p>
Carlyle Rd Reserve Carlyle Rd	Local	 <p>This play space is located on the edge of the nature reserve and is at the entrance to a fire maintenance track. It is unlikely to be known about by many residents other than those in this street. The equipment comprises only a see saw & swings, and offers relatively low play value.</p>
Dukes Green Wellington Rd	Local	

EAST LINDFIELD

		<p>This is an excellent site for a small urban park. It is right outside the local East Lindfield shops and is a natural focal point for the community.</p> <p>It has some magnificent trees on site.</p> <p>The existing fenced playspace is small and does not take advantage of the adjoining open landscape. The seats are positioned outside the fence.</p> <p>The equipment, targeted at the younger age groups and comprising a Kompan unit, spin pole & birdsnest swing, is reported to be in good order.</p>
Pleasant Ave Reserve Pleasant Ave	Local	 <p>This park is also located close to the shops but on the other side from the Duke's Green Park.</p> <p>It contains equipment aimed at older children, (Kompan unit & swings) reported to be in good order. This separation of the equipment into two sites presents a problem for families with children of more than one age group. It is not accessible.</p>
Follies Park Canberra Crescent	Local	 <p>This park serves the south eastern side of the suburb. It is a good sized reserve with some attractive tree cover. Existing equipment (swings & a free standing slide) are reported to be in need of refurbishment.</p>

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Lindfield Soldiers Memorial Park**

EAST LINDFIELD

- This play space should be redesigned with a choice of play elements to complement all the others in this suburb
- Design should suit a District classification
- The new design should provide accessible play elements to suit children of varying ages.
- *Construction of new play space completed 2020*
- **Priority low**

Carlyle Rd Reserve

- This reserve is poorly located and offers low play value
- The equipment is recommended for removal, not to be reinstated
- However, there would be justification to create a new improved play space in a new location to serve residents at the eastern end of the suburb. See below.
- **Priority high**

New play space Carlyle / Wellington Rds.

- it may be possible to create a new better quality play space at East Lindfield Park, somewhere near the intersection of Carlyle Rd and Wellington Rd.
- This could then serve families using the children's centre; the scouts; and visitors to the oval as well as to the seniors living.
- Such a new play space should be designed to be physically and socially accessible/inclusive.
- **Priority medium**

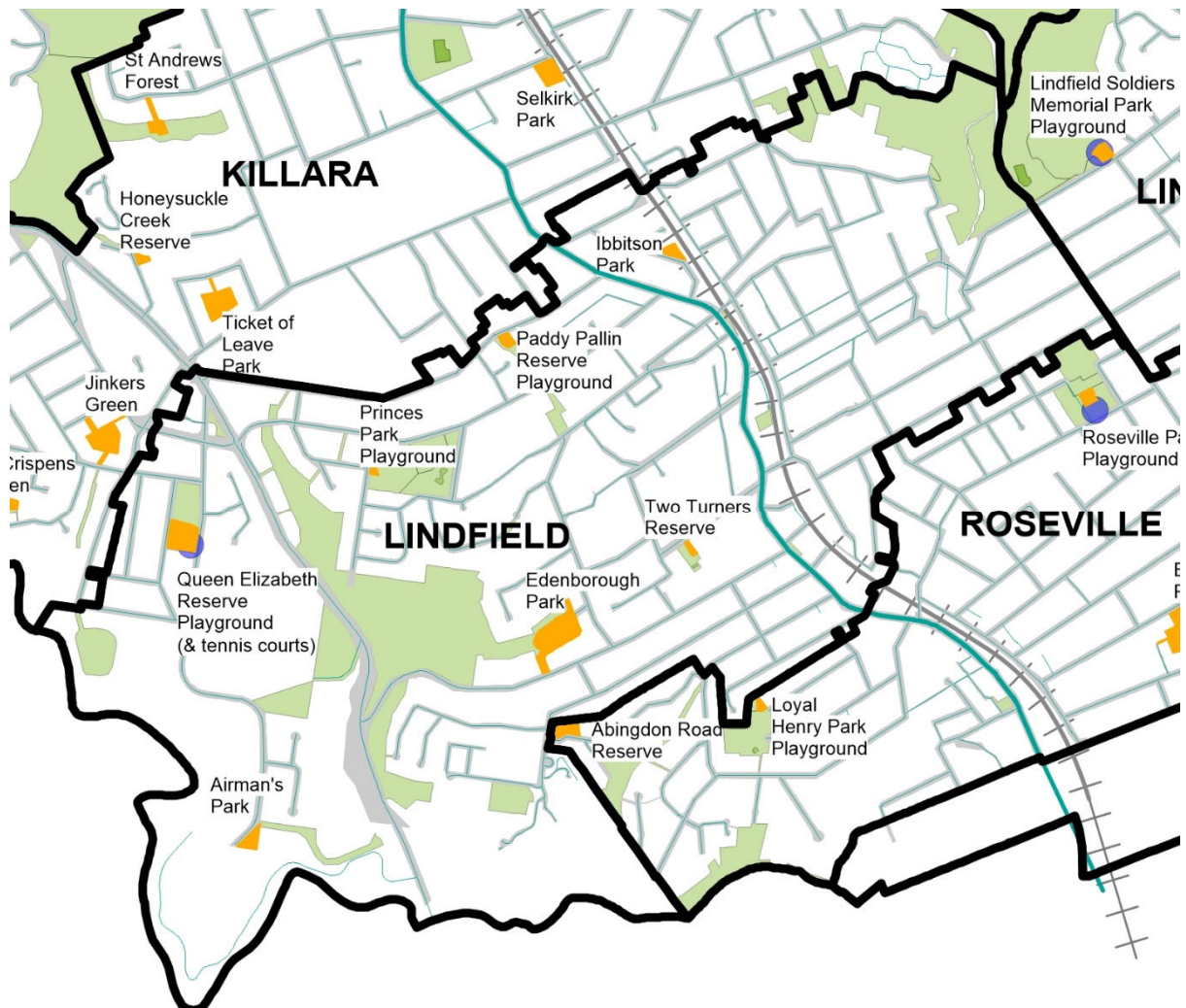
Dukes Green and Pleasant Ave Reserve

- Remove the play space equipment at Pleasant Avenue Reserve and relocate it to the play space at the shopping centre.
- Consider fencing the entire area and landscape the space to better serve both children and the senior community.
- **Priority high**

Follies Park

- This play space should be redesigned to provide a more interesting set of activities for a range of age groups and abilities. The new design must complement all the other play spaces in East Lindfield.
- **Priority low**

Lindfield



LINDFIELD OVERVIEW

Lindfield is divided east/west by the Pacific Highway /railway line corridor.

It has been divided here into four Precincts.

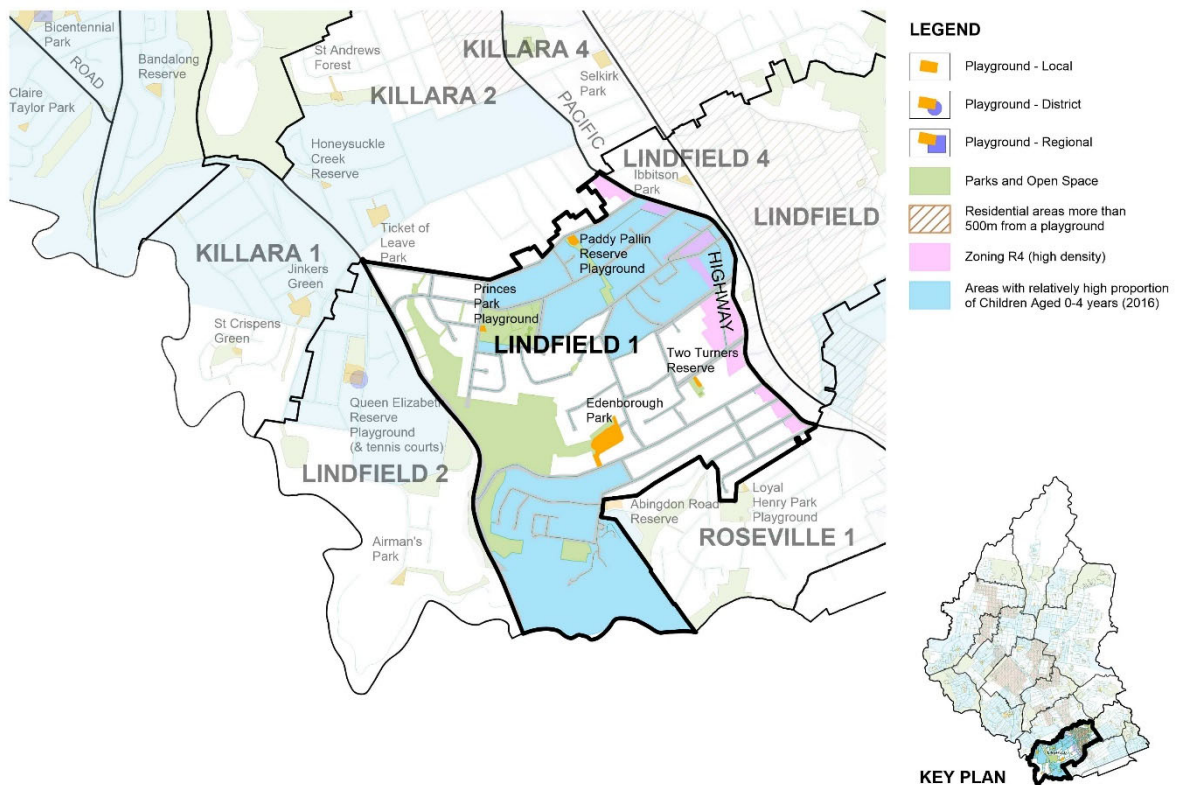
This suburb is experiencing growth in high density housing in this central zone on both sides of the highway /railway. There is a high proportion of children in the population especially in the south in both Lindfield Precincts 1 and 2.

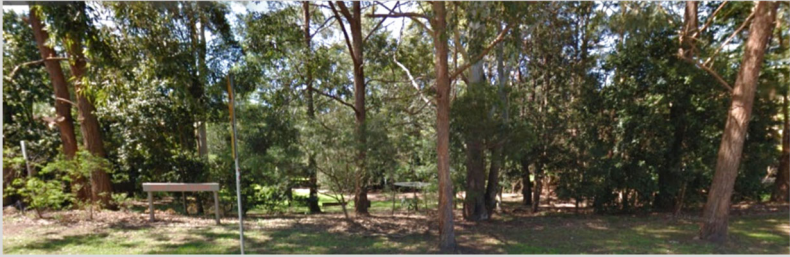

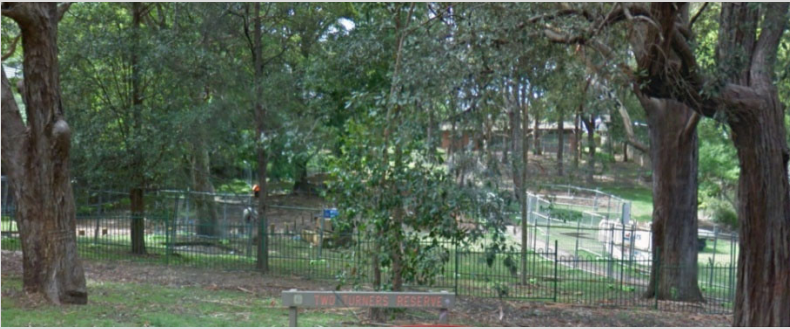
The southern edge of the suburb slopes down to the Lane Cove River with its bushland catchment, and there are some other significant reserves of bushland along other creeks that penetrate the suburb especially in the south, and along the Eastern Arterial in the north. There are also areas that are a high priority for acquisition of new open space, however, and these are clustered around the highway/railway corridor in the centre.

There are no play spaces at all in Precinct 3, north of the railway line.

LINDFIELD PRECINCT 1

This precinct sits south /west of the Pacific Highway corridor. It has four play spaces; all classified as local. There is limited variety amongst the play elements.



LINDFIELD PRECINCT 1		
RESERVE / Address	CLASS	
Paddy Pallin Reserve Playground Highfield Rd/ Provincial Rd	Local	 <p>This is a magnificent forest reserve with a creek and a walking path. Recently renovated; relatively new equipment comprises swings, see-saw & spring animal that offer low play value but it is hoped that enough value is provided by the setting itself.</p> <p>The equipment is not evident from the street.</p>
Princes Park/ Primula Oval Highfield Rd/ Primula St	Local	 <p>The play space here is located on the edge of a sports field. There is a public toilet nearby and the site is fenced. There is some shade and visual interest provided by some vegetation, shade trees and site levels.</p> <p>The equipment is reported to be in good order. It provides for a mix of ages and accommodates children with siblings and parents who are using the adjacent sports facilities.</p>
Two Turners Reserve Gladstone Pde	Local	 <p>This is a very attractive park with mature remnant woodland vegetation. It has been recently renovated with relatively new equipment.</p>

LINDFIELD PRECINCT 1

Edenborough Park
Edenborough Rd

Local



This play space sits in the corner above an oval with an attractive bushland perimeter. This older equipment comprises a freestanding slide, a swing, spring rocker and a multi-seat rocker reported to be in good order.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Paddy Pallin Reserve Playground**

- It is questionable whether a play space is necessary here.
- No immediate action required, but at the end of its useful life it might be worth investigating whether some low key landscape elements for play might be more suited to this magical setting and should replace this type of equipment here.
- **Priority low**

Princes Park/Primula Oval

- Strategically, this play space is important in this precinct as it is the most centrally located, it is the only site that is relatively prominent, and has the concentration of facilities that support visits for longer duration.
- In the medium term it is recommended that this site be re-designed and upgraded to District status, providing a more accessible, more interesting though small play space for a range of ages with accessible social amenities.
- Some of the existing equipment can be re-utilised
- The new design could take advantage of the site levels.
- **Priority medium**

Two Turners Reserve

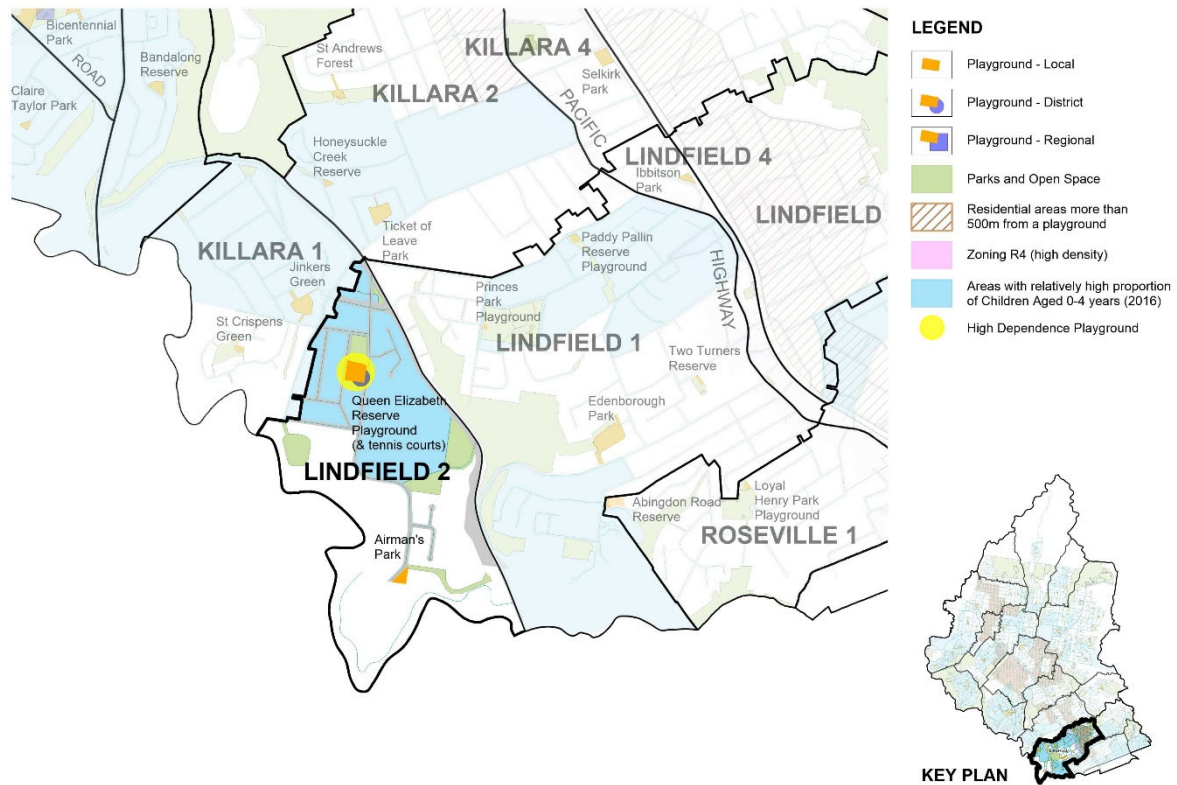
- No action required
- **Priority low**

Edenborough Park

- No action required
- **Priority low**

LINDFIELD PRECINCT 2

This precinct has only two play spaces. The area around Queen Elizabeth Reserve has a high proportion of children in the population.



LINDFIELD PRECINCT 2**Queen Elizabeth Reserve**

Corner Bradfield Rd
and Charles St

District

This is an important reserve with a war memorial, tennis courts and a sports field as well as a car park, a toddlers' bike track, fitness equipment, some picnic shelters, and some tall remnant eucalypt trees. The park is well –used.

The play equipment is reasonably extensive. The layout of the equipment in the park is divided in two by a concrete path. None of the play equipment is accessible, though the path itself is a valuable play element for children in wheelchairs as well as for children using small bikes, trikes and scooters. There is some additional small equipment behind the tennis courts.

Airman's Park

Bradfield Rd
(southern end)

Local

This play space is located at the end of a dead end road that serves only a very small outlying group of residences. It is situated on the edge of the Lane Cove National Park.

This equipment comprises a swing, a spring animal and a toddler freestanding slide. There is a drink fountain/bubbler on site.

The play value is very low

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Queen Elizabeth Reserve**

- It would be desirable to earmark this space for an upgrade in the future.
- As a District play space, the design will include accessible and inclusive design.
- This improved play space would be compensation for the removal of the nearby Airman's Park play space.
- Consider removing/relocating the equipment behind the tennis courts.
- **Priority medium**

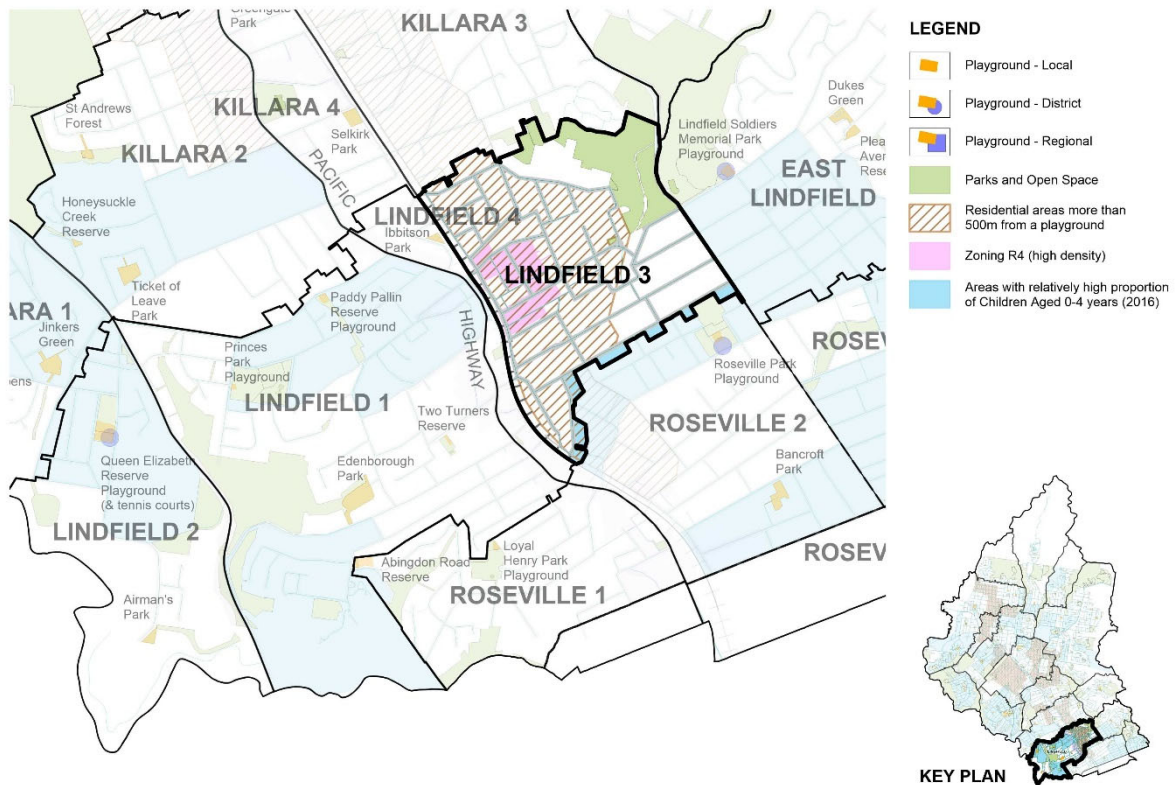
Airman's Park

- Remove this play equipment and improve the play space at Queen Elizabeth Reserve nearby.
- The amenity of this space could be improved as the track head for bush-walkers and cyclists using the National Park.
- **Priority low**

LINDFIELD PRECINCT 3

This relatively large precinct has no play spaces

There is a large amount of open space on the fringe of the precinct, in creek catchments and bushland reserves, but less available for active play and recreation.



LINDFIELD PRECINCT 3

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS

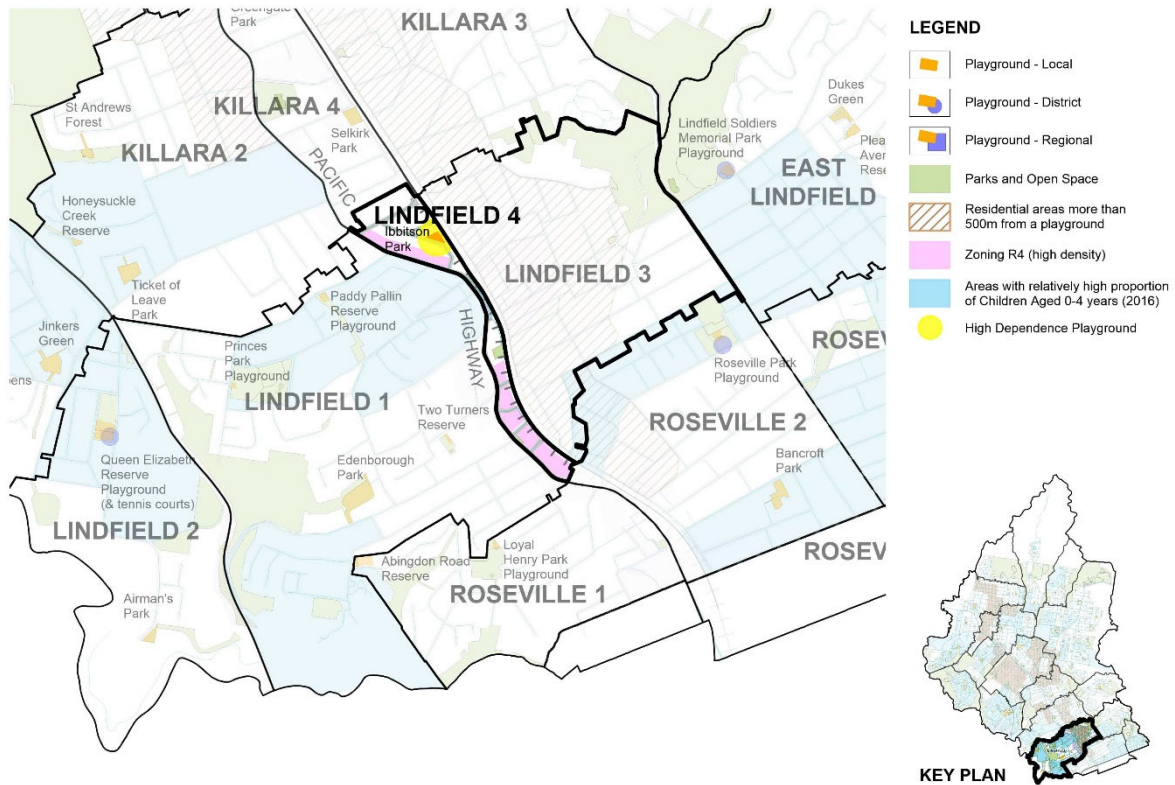
New Development

The Lindfield Village Green project has recently received approval to go to tender for construction. Whilst it does not include a play space it does offer an enhanced public domain and high quality open space.

http://www.kmc.nsw.gov.au/Current_projects_priorities/Works_and_upgrades/Lindfield_works_and_upgrades/Lindfield_Village_Green

LINDFIELD PRECINCT 4

This small precinct sits between the railway line and the Pacific Highway. It contains a mix of residential and commercial land-uses as well as a school. It has one small park.



LINDFIELD PRECINCT 4

Ibbitson Park
Wolseley Rd/
Railway Line

Local



This small site is the only park within this tiny catchment but given the barriers to movement formed by the highway and railway line, it is quite important.

The equipment comprises a freestanding spiral slide, a swing and a baby slide/cubby. It is reported to be relatively new. Play value is moderately low.

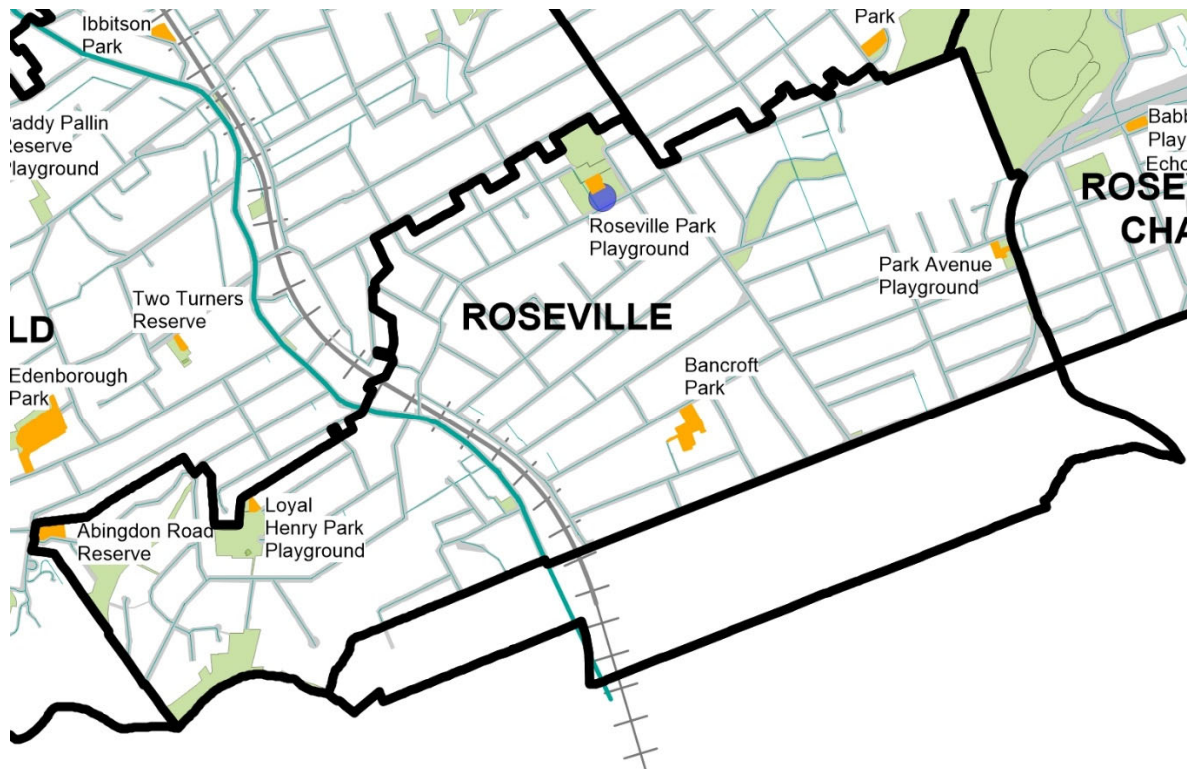
The site has some tall blue-gums and some basic amenities but no paths or other real design, for play or social interaction.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS

Ibbitson Park

- This site is earmarked for a new play space development designed in consultation with the community.
- Ensure the new design addresses the whole park
- **Priority low**

Roseville



ROSEVILLE OVERVIEW

Roseville is divided into four Precincts, by the Pacific Highway /railway line corridor, then again by Archbold Rd. and Boundary Street.

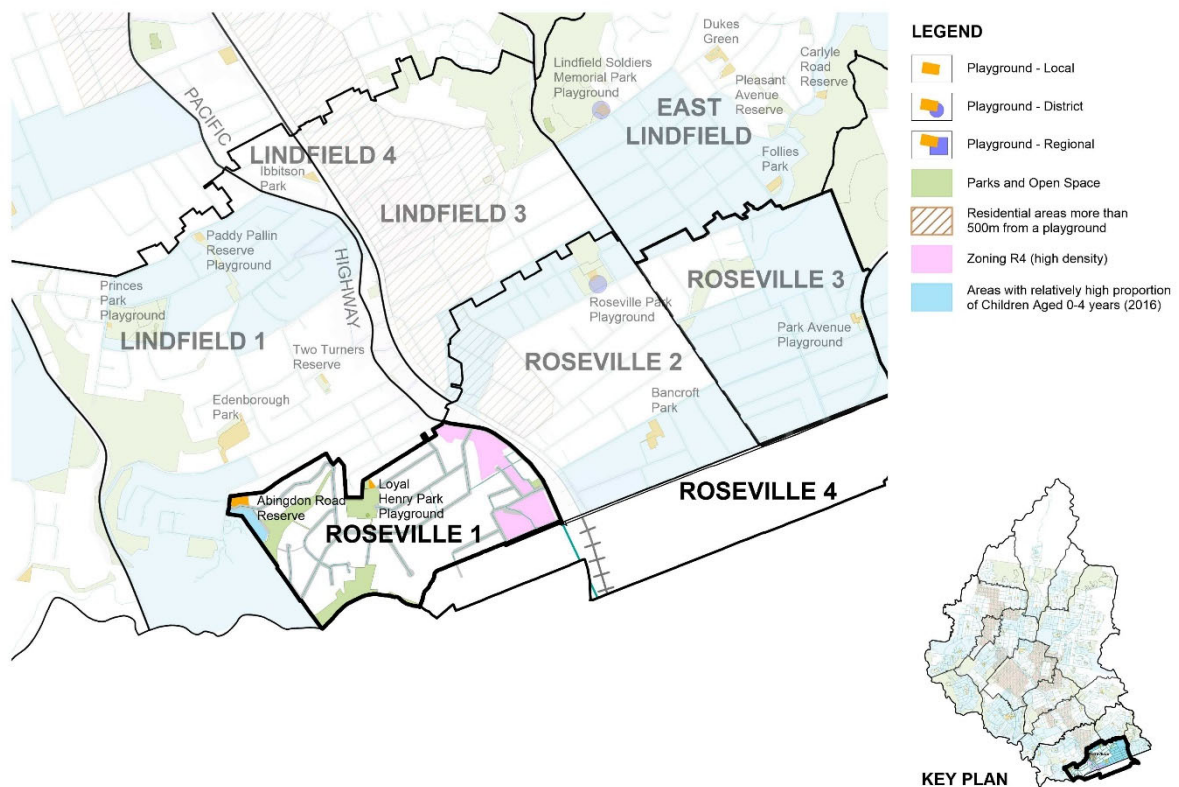
This suburb is experiencing growth in high density housing on both sides of the highway /railway, and along Boundary St. Most of Precinct 3 has a high proportion of children in the population

This is one of the few suburbs in Ku-ring-gai that does not have large areas of National Park penetrating the residential areas, but there are some creek catchments with bushland (Blue Gum Park in the south, in Precinct 1), and the creek adjoining Little Digger Park in the north east (Precinct 3).

The residents are therefore more dependent here upon smaller parks for their open space and experiences of nature. Each play space here caters for a larger than usual catchment, so the design of each is important to ensure that there is a network of complementary experiences and settings available for play and social interaction across Roseville.

ROSEVILLE PRECINCT 1

This precinct sits south /west of the Pacific Highway corridor. It has two play spaces; (both classified as local).



ROSEVILLE PRECINCT 1

RESERVE / Address	CLASS	
Abingdon Rd Reserve Cnr Abingdon Rd/Eton Reserve	Local	 <p>This is an attractive small corner park with some attractive trees. The equipment comprises a swing and a see saw, reported to be in good order. This equipment offers low play value on its own. There is a high proportion of children in the local population here.</p>
Loyal Henry Park Thomas Avenue	Local	 <p>This park has a sports field, pavilion and tennis courts set in a very attractive position, carved out of the sloping site and with some exposed sandstone and surrounded by attractive mature trees. The site has a poor relationship with the street and with houses and is located at the ends of three streets with no houses facing the reserve.</p> <p>The play equipment comprises a spider net climber, swings, free standing slide, rockers & spring animals and is reported to be in good order. The equipment is located close to the tennis courts. It is not accessible/ inclusive.</p>

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Abingdon Rd Reserve**

- It is debatable how much value this play space offers at present. It serves a catchment experiencing high growth rates and these residents are not otherwise served by a play space
- Consult residents regarding the space.
- It is recommended that the space be re-designed.
- Consider whether to retain the equipment, and how to also integrate natural elements into the design.
- **Priority High**

ROSEVILLE PRECINCT 1

Loyal Henry Park

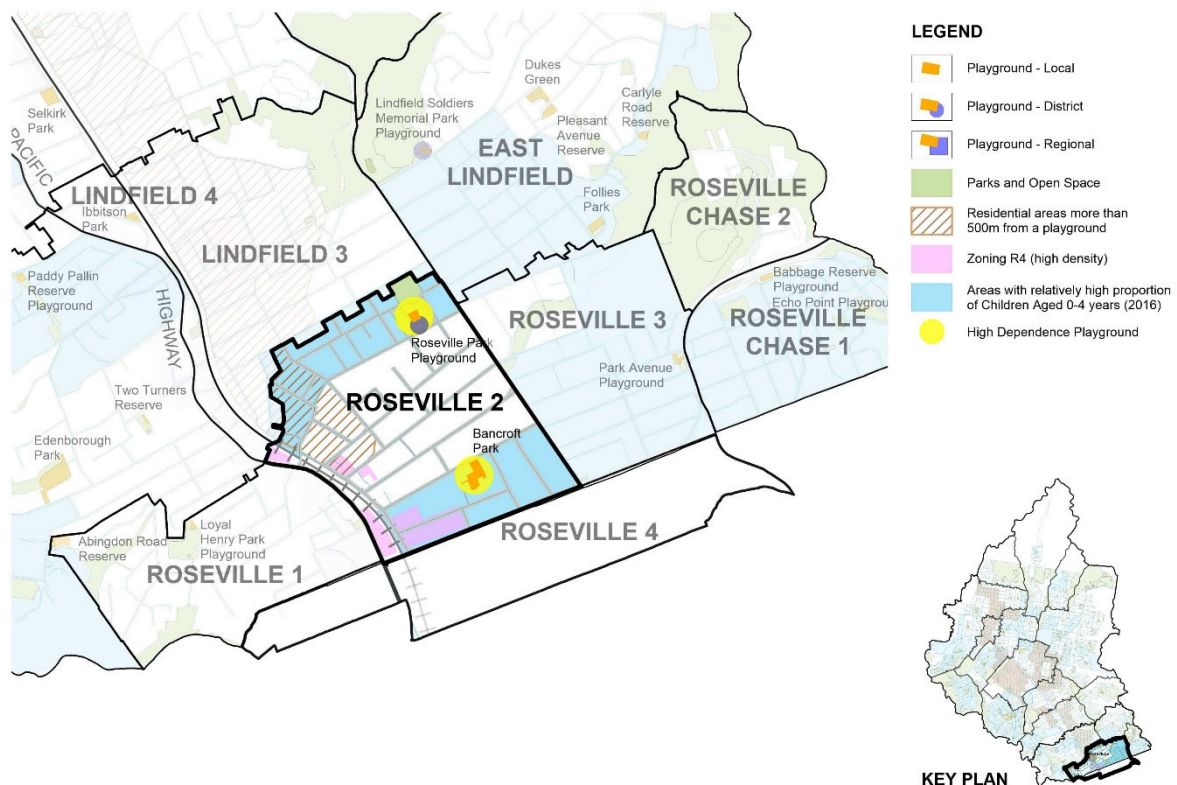
- This play space is more important than it appears. As one of only two play spaces in this precinct, it is the more central and slightly more accessible to residential streets. Its value is limited by its lack of a prominent location and the lack of informal surveillance from houses.
- Consider minor improvements to the landscape, and improved site design to make it more accessible and inclusive
- Promote play in the surrounding natural environment.
- Promote its location
- **Priority medium**

ROSEVILLE PRECINCT 2

This precinct has only two play spaces. The areas around both of them have a high proportion of children in the population, and the housing density is increasing near Bancroft Park.

The area southwest of Trafalgar Ave to the railway line is not served by any parks or play spaces.

This precinct has the only District level reserve in Roseville



ROSEVILLE PRECINCT 2

**Roseville Park
Playground**
Clanville
Rd/Cranbrook Ave

District

This is a large and important District Reserve with tennis courts and a sports field as well as an attractive, large urban park with mature trees.

The existing equipment comprises a Kompan unit, truck, spring animal, spin bucket, spin pole, see-saw & swings. This is reported to be a very busy play space and the play space needs to be upgraded in the near future to accommodate demand.

The existing play space is in the curtilage of the heritage listed property and grounds and for this reason this site cannot be expanded.

The site has had a landscape Masterplan adopted by Council that recommends a new play space on the Chelmsford Avenue Frontage of the site. Due to the risk of falling trees the play space site must be located clear of the trees.

It is essential to build a series of connecting pathways to the surrounding suburb to enable children to have access to the park and play spaces.

ROSEVILLE PRECINCT 2

Bancroft Park
Bancroft Ave

Local



This is an important site serving half of this precinct. It is located close to a school and to an area where the number of higher rise dwellings is increasing.

The site includes tennis courts and an arts precinct as well as the large and attractive park itself that has good mature tree cover.

The play space has some relatively new equipment comprising Proludic unit, carousel, see saw, cubby, animal & Playrope swing & viking swing.

Access is difficult due to the terrain.

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Roseville Park**

- The design a new District-level play space here to accommodate all abilities play, accessible social amenities and play for a range of age groups ins underway.
- **Priority high**

Bancroft Park

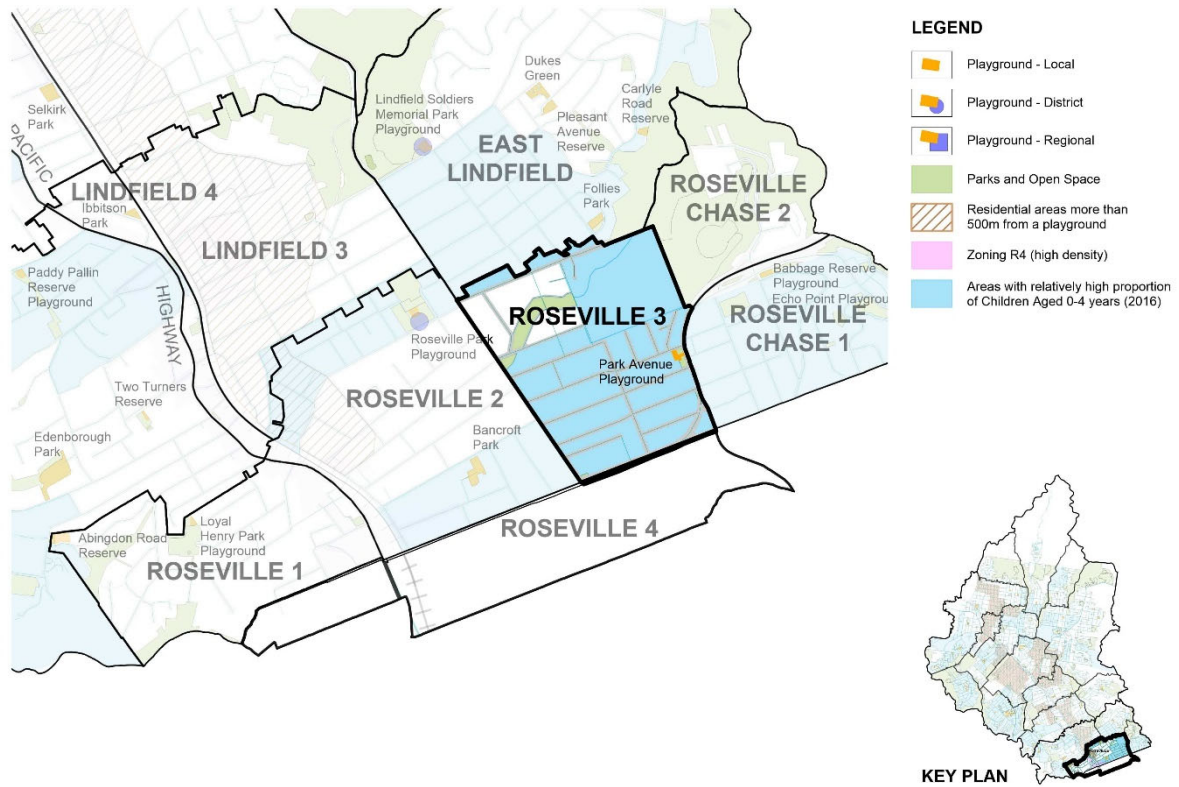
- Given the relatively high dependence upon this park, it would be ideal to improve accessible routes through the space but the terrain may prohibit this.
- **Priority low**

New Acquisition

- Consider acquiring land for a new park and play space
- A site at the rear of the shops in Hill Street has been identified as a potential location for a play space.
- **Priority Medium**

ROSEVILLE PRECINCT 3

This precinct has a high proportion of children in the population but has only one reserve and play space. As a park of high dependence the quality of the play provision here is important.



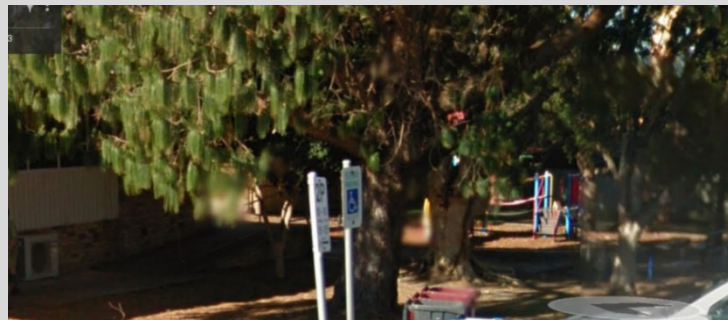
ROSEVILLE PRECINCT 3

**East Roseville
Community Centre**

**Park Avenue
Playground**

Park Ave/Babbage
Rd

Local



This small play space is located next to a pre-school/Community Centre. It is the only park within this large precinct. The site is located on a busy, prominent site.

The play space was upgraded in 2017

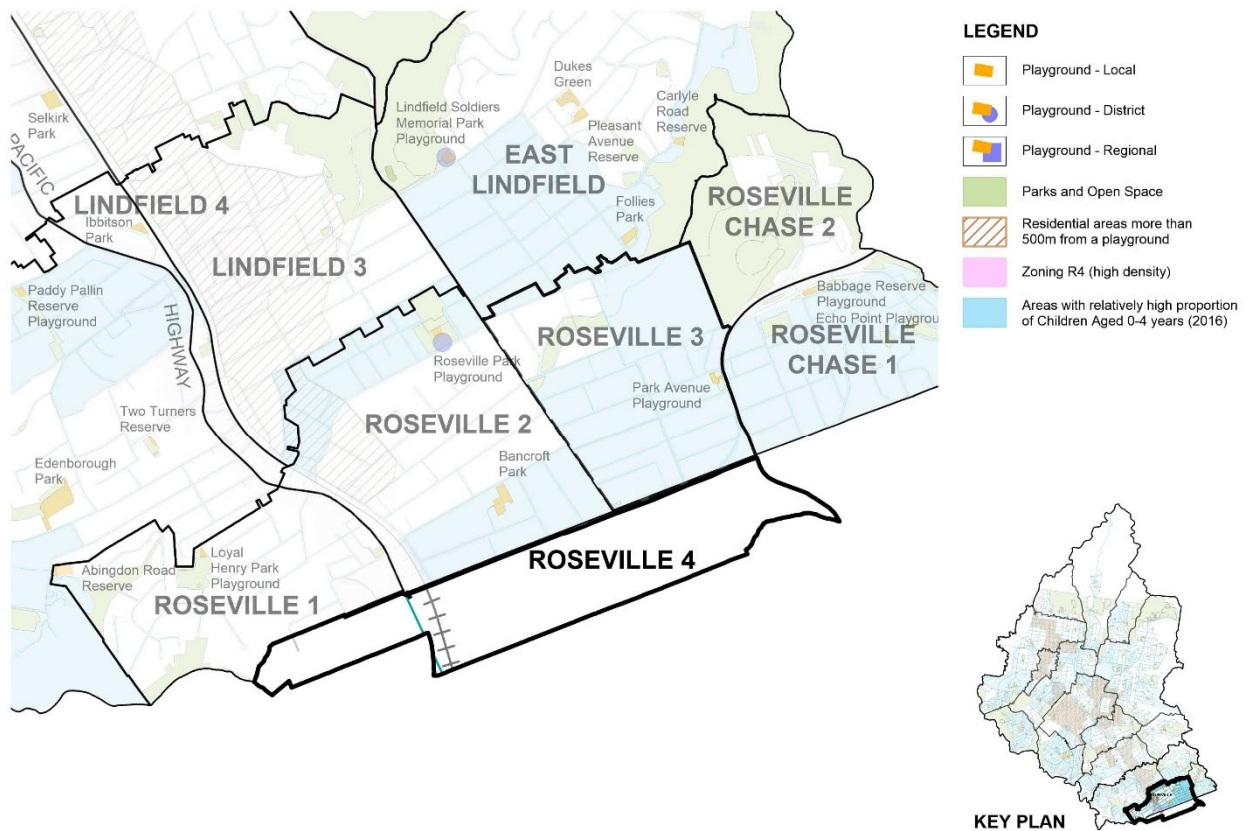
SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**East Roseville Community Centre/ Park Avenue Playground**

- This site has undergone a major upgrade in 2017.
- The play space was re-designed in consultation with Roseville KidsCare before and after school program.
- No action required.
- **Priority Low**

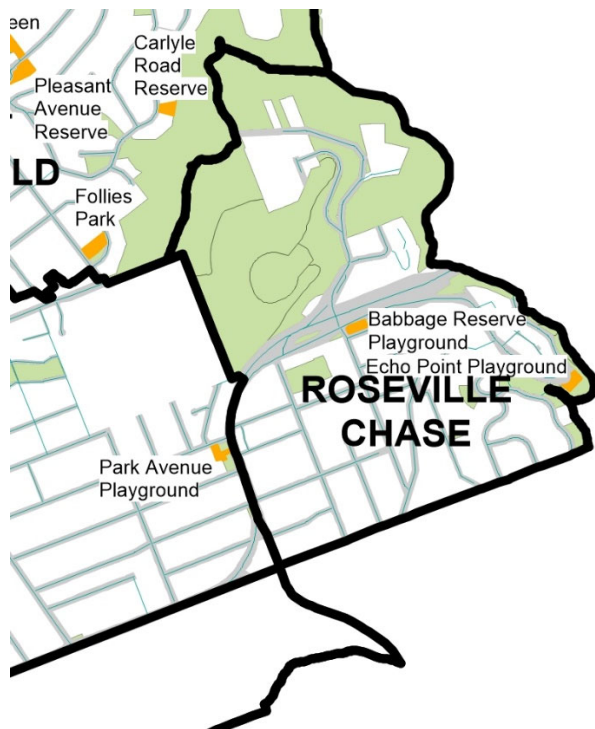
ROSEVILLE PRECINCT 4

This long and narrow precinct has no play spaces. However the area is served by Beauchamp Park which managed by the Willoughby Council.

No action required.



Roseville Chase



ROSEVILLE CHASE OVERVIEW

Roseville Chase is a compact suburb that sits above the upper reaches of Middle Harbour.

It is divided into two Precincts, by the busy Warringah Road

Most of Precinct 1 has a high proportion of children in the population. It is not well served by play spaces and there are no public reserves in the centre of this precinct create a social gathering and play space.

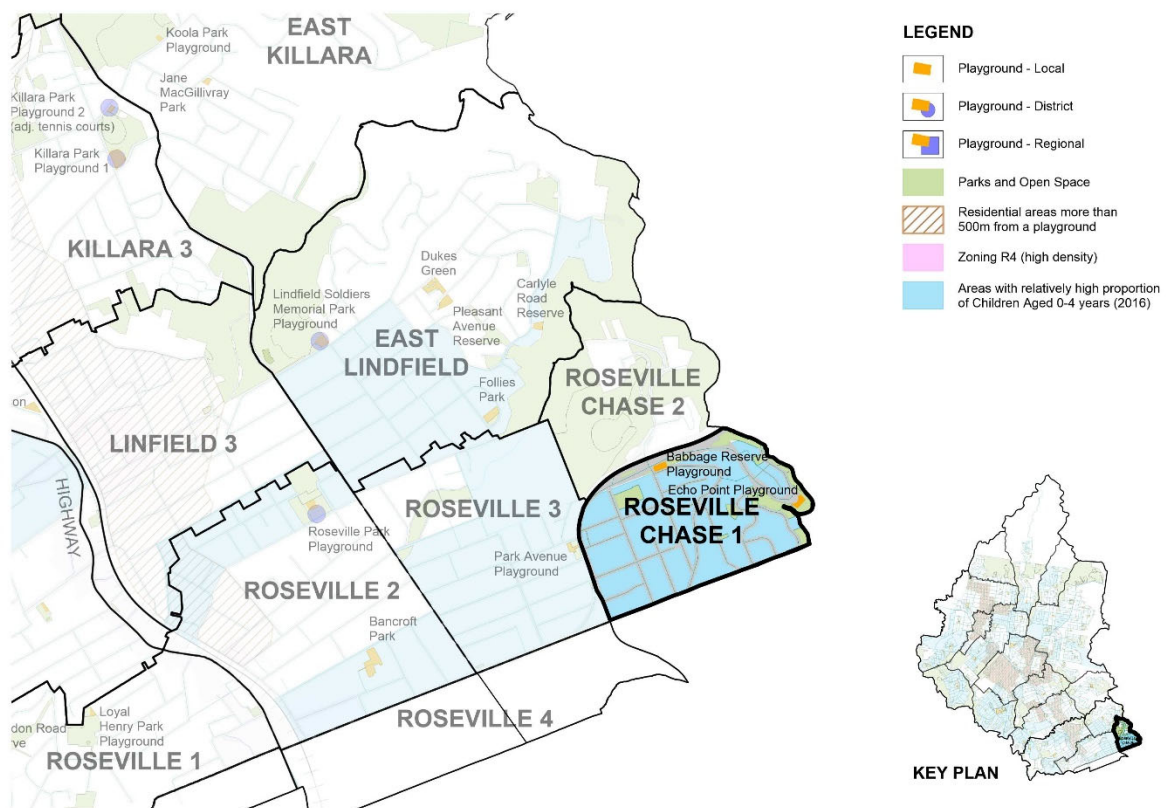
Precinct 2 largely comprises a large nature reserve and a golf course; there are three small residential precincts each somewhat isolated from the other and on very large blocks.

ROSEVILLE CHASE PRECINCT 1

This precinct includes most of Roseville Chase's population. There is one play space located on Echo Point overlooking Middle Harbour, and one at Malga Avenue close to Babbage Road (Babbage Reserve).

Babbage Reserve is the more developed of the two spaces and is therefore possibly a site of high dependence locally. There has been good attention paid to path access into the site, and it is fenced; it would therefore be reasonably appealing to parents of children with a range of disabilities. It has been recommended that some slight additions to accessible surfaces right into the equipment would further enhance access and inclusion.

This precinct has few 'formal' play spaces and parks, and the bushland and beach environment at the Echo Point foreshore park especially provides a high quality natural setting for play and recreation.



ROSEVILLE CHASE PRECINCT 1

RESERVE / Address	CLASS	
Babbage Reserve Malga Ave and Between Babbage Rd and Griffith Ave		  <p>This play space was constructed in 2015. It is an appealing space with level changes, sandstone rocks and a range of play types. There is a path system- it does not appear to provide access right into the play space (for example to under decks for cubby play, or to swings, or furniture.). There are not many activities usable by a child with a physical disability.</p>
Echo Point Park Off Babbage Rd	Local	 <p>This reserve is not easily accessible to children from any residential areas. There is no footpath and the road is narrow and winding. This is a lovely location for outings. The equipment includes a boat and slide, swing, spring animal, & surfboard.</p>

SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS**Babbage Reserve**

- The play space was constructed in 2015.
- Consider adding impact attenuating/rubber to connect the access paths to the surfaces under swings and other equipment, and to under cubbies with sufficient head room; add a few wheelchair accessible height interactive panels in these locations.
- **Priority medium**

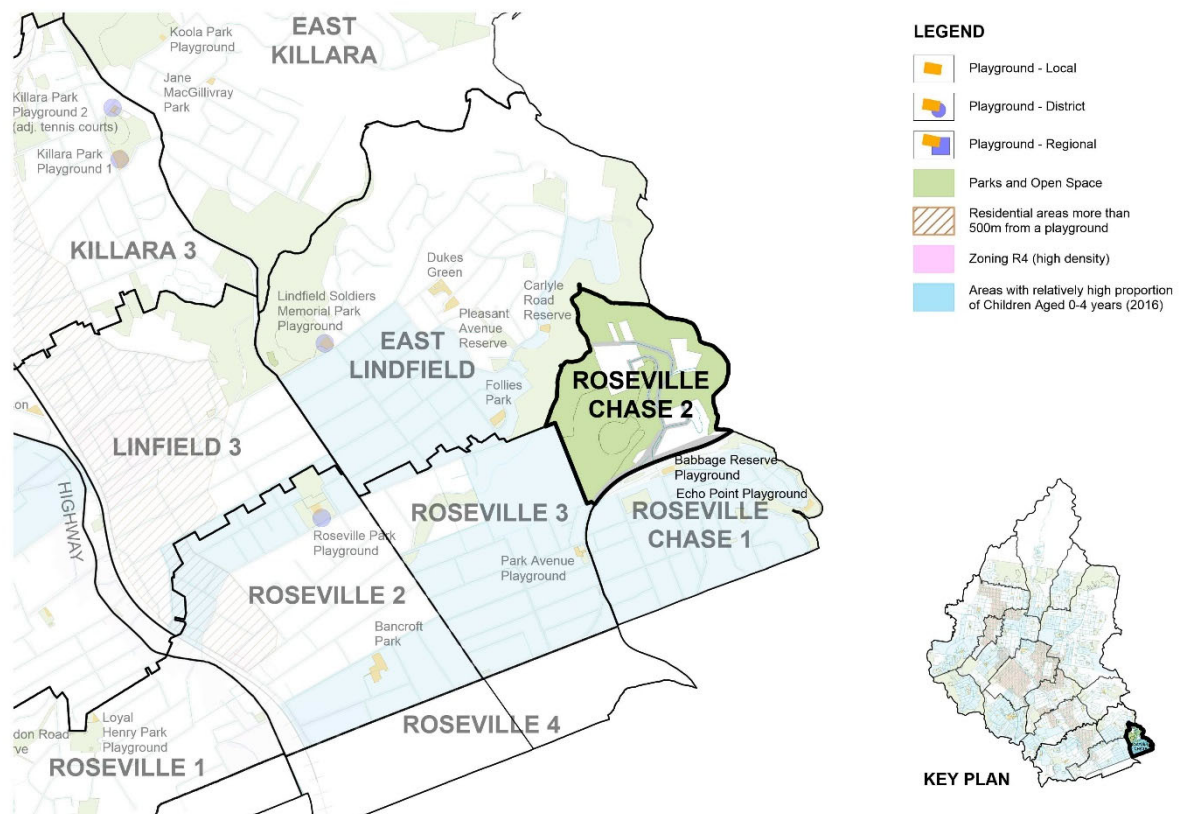
Echo Point Park

- No action.
- When this park is due for an upgrade the new design should reflect the unique natural setting.

- **Priority low**

ROSEVILLE CHASE PRECINCT 2

Though there are no play spaces here this precinct is estimated to have a low demand and is not considered a priority.



4. end notes

ⁱ The provision of open space guidelines, as contained in the GAA Precinct Structure Planning Guidelines include, in summary:

- Local parks within 400 metres safe walking distance of 95 per cent of all dwellings.
- Active open space within 1 kilometre of 95 per cent of all dwellings.
- Linear parks and trails within 1 kilometre of 95 per cent of all dwellings.

5. Appendix

Everyone Can Play – Play Space Evaluation Checklists

The following pages are an extract from:

Everyone Can Play Guidelines to create inclusive play spaces prepared by the Office of Open Space and Parklands, NSW Department of Planning and Environment 2019

<https://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/-/media/Files/DPE/Guidelines/everyone-can-play-guideline-2019-02-20.pdf>

NOTE: The missing page numbers in the checklists overleaf contained blank pages for notes, in the original. These have not been included here.

3. TOOLS

THE TOOLS TO TRANSLATE IDEAS INTO ACTION

Do the best you can with the resources you have!
The following tools will help ensure everyone can play.



Playspace Evaluation Checklist

A tool for reviewing existing playspaces and playspace designs.

Each playspace is unique and not all playspaces will meet every criteria of this Checklist.

Use the Everyone Can Play Evaluation Checklist to see where improvements can be made, in line with available budget, playspace size and location. Remember, it's about doing the best you can with the resources you have.

This Evaluation Checklist is designed to ensure more people can get to, play and stay at existing playspaces in our communities. It can also be used as a tool for reviewing inclusive playspace designs.

Playspace name:

Playspace address:

Can I get there?

Location

Information about the playspace is available before I go.

NO CHANGE POTENTIAL CHANGE CHANGE REQUIRED

Car parking is easily available/close to the playspace (e.g. street parking, a dedicated car park).

Accessible car parking bays are provided.

The playspace is connected to a shared path or cycle route.

There is a public transport link (bus stop, train station, light rail) close to the playspace.

The playspace's access point can be used easily and comfortably by most people without having to cross a main road or other barrier (e.g. unsignalised intersections, kerbs, streets without footpaths or pram ramps).

Layout

The layout of the playspace can easily be understood by a first-time user.

The playspace has signage or a map to aid navigation.

	NO CHANGE	POTENTIAL CHANGE	CHANGE REQUIRED
Points of entry and exit are easy to locate from inside and outside the playspace.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are pause points at the entry and exit to view and assess play opportunities on arrival.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There is an area within the playspace for carers to interact and supervise.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are clear lines of sight throughout the playspace for carers.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Play equipment for different age groups is grouped together without being separated from the main area of activity.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Formal and informal seating is provided in appropriate locations (e.g. at regular intervals, near shade, adjacent to activity areas).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Signage

Signage is easy to read, using simple language, graphics and high colour contrast.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Signage is located at a height that is easy to read for all playspace users, including children and those in wheelchairs.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Pictographs and braille are provided on key instructional and safety signage.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Access

There is an orientation path or circulation path within the playspace.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There is a flush edge from the path surface to the play surface for easy access by all users. (The entire surface does not need to be flush – just key transition points.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access gates can be operated by an adult using a wheelchair or mobility device.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Can I play?

Play experience

	NO CHANGE	POTENTIAL CHANGE	CHANGE REQUIRED
The playspace provides opportunities for a variety of age groups (e.g. toddlers, children, teenagers, adults).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Varied play types are provided.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are a variety of multi-user equipment pieces.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are opportunities for intergenerational play.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Equipment is challenging for multiple age groups and ability levels.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Play opportunities can be accessed at a variety of heights.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Everyone can access the main play piece and have meaningful play experiences.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are multiple opportunities for people with limited mobility.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are unprogrammed spaces for imaginative play.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are quiet points within the playspace for rest and passive relaxation.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Wayfinding

There is a map at the playspace entry to assist with navigation and decision-making.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Maps follow the points listed for inclusive signage (i.e. easy to read, located at a height for all users to see).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There is directional signage along activity trails.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There is a clear path network hierarchy (e.g. easy to distinguish between main orientation path, circulation paths and play paths).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There is an appropriate colour contrast between the paths and the play surfaces.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Access

The site's topography creates an obstacle or barrier to playspace access (e.g. steep slope with no footpath, stair-only access).

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Any barriers can be overcome with the inclusion of a ramp.

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There is an orientation path linking to, in and around the playspace that links to access points and key activity areas.

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The orientation path is clearly identifiable.

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The orientation path has a consistent width and surface finish.

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The orientation path conforms to relevant Australian access standards.

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The orientation path connects directly to all access points.

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The majority of play elements are connected to a circulation path.

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The circulation path has a consistent width and surface finish.

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Equipment

Equipment is well connected.

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The majority of equipment is designed so that adults can be fit in, on or under (e.g. swings, slides, climbing structures).

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Elevated equipment pieces include a ramped access point for people of various ages with limited mobility.

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Dynamic play pieces are arranged in a sequence promoting skill development.

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Equipment theming and the colour palette respond to the local context.

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Surfacing

There is an accessible edge or point of access (flush or ramped) from the circulation path to the majority of play surfaces.

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All accessible equipment pieces have an accessible surface treatment to enable ease of use.

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The majority of play pieces have an accessible surface treatment or accessible path to the equipment's entry and exit points to enable ease of use. (Consider relevant fall zone surfacing requirements.)

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Path surfaces provide sensory play opportunities through materiality or texture features.

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There is enough circulation space (beyond fall zone requirements) around the majority of equipment to provide safe movement.

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Can I play? Notes:

Can I stay?

Safety

	NO CHANGE	POTENTIAL CHANGE	CHANGE REQUIRED
The playspace can be clearly observed from the street or neighbouring properties.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are clear sight lines to all play equipment pieces from the pathways and seating options to ensure comfortable supervision by carers.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The playspace is protected from adjacent potential risks (e.g. busy roads, open water bodies).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There is a sufficient boundary enclosure to provide a secure environment (e.g. fence, natural features such as mounds, rocks, planting).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There is adequate lighting provided from the street or within the playspace to support appropriate time of day use.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Supporting facilities (BBQ, toilet, car park) are adequately lit.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Facilities

Seating provided is adequate for the scale and use of the playspace.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Seating provides various options to cater for a range of users (e.g. varied heights, back rests, arm rests).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Various seating arrangements, such as individual and group seating, are provided.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There is enough clearance space adjacent to the seat to park a pram, wheelchair or mobility device without blocking the circulation space or path.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are seating opportunities provided in a quiet location for retreat.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There is access to drinking water.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Water can easily be accessed by all playspace users and has fixtures that are easy to operate.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	NO CHANGE	POTENTIAL CHANGE	CHANGE REQUIRED
Rubbish bins are provided and suitably located.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Bins can be utilised by all playspace users.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Toilet access is available within the playspace or nearby.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There is an accessible toilet nearby that includes changing facilities for babies, children and adults.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are picnic tables provided within and adjacent to the playspace.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are BBQ facilities provided.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facilities are accessible to all users, are considerate of children's safety and are easy to operate.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Landscape

There is an adequate amount of shade to cover the majority of play activities.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There is an adequate amount of shade to cover seating areas and protect park users.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The surrounding landscape provides a comfortable and enjoyable environment to be in.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are views or visual links to the local context outside the playspace, to contribute to a sense of play.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Design Principles Checklist

A tool to assist determining priorities when designing a playspace.

The best practice recommendations are designed to inspire innovation, challenge existing processes and prompt designers to create inviting playspaces with inclusion top of mind.

Not all design recommendations will be relevant for all playspaces. Consider the unique context of the playspace to ensure the design is appropriate for the site's characteristics, size, budget and design aspirations.

Find

Location, layout and accessibility

Connect to street footpaths and the park entry with safe road crossing points.

Connect with transport networks and include appropriate arrival facilities: pedestrian and cycle routes, accessible parking, mini-van drop off zones, busy bays through close proximity.

Orientate and position the playspace to utilise the site's unique features, including views, existing vegetation, topography and passive surveillance.

Include an accessible path (without stair-only access) from/to the street, carpark and supporting facilities that are wide enough for a wheelchair and pram to pass each other with ease.

Consider a primary entry point that is linked by an orientation path to help people connect between all points of entry and exit.

Consider a formal entry zone that provides a sense of welcome to the playspace and a pause point to observe the layout, become familiar with the space and decide where to go first. A slow introduction to the playspace is important to some people.

Signage and wayfinding

Develop a map of the playspace that outlines the location of key features to help people navigate the space. (Primarily for destination playspaces only.)

LOW PRIORITY	MEDIUM PRIORITY	HIGH PRIORITY	N/A
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Play experience

Create a flexible, imaginative and unique playspace that is not solely reliant on equipment for play value.

LOW
PRIORITY

MEDIUM
PRIORITY

HIGH
PRIORITY

N/A

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Consider a range of dynamic play options to balance, climb, rock, slide, swing or spin.

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Provide multiple play opportunities (both comfortable and challenging) to engage people of different ages and ability levels.

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Position seating and shade directly adjacent to water play to ensure carers can closely supervise.

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Equipment and surfacing

Include equipment pieces for all abilities and ages (flush carousel, hammock or basket swing, in-ground trampolines, ramp access to feature structure) that are fully integrated into the playspace and reachable for everyone.

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Consider a variety of play surfacing to provide a contrast between activity, fall and circulation zones.

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Landscape

Develop a design that reflects the local environment and integrates the playspace into the surrounding landscape, utilising existing vegetation and key views.

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Safety

Ensure clear sight lines for passive surveillance from the street or surrounding property are not obstructed.

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Provide a formal or informal boundary enclosure (fence, gate, landform, planting) to provide a secure environment from potential risks. Risks could include busy roads and open water bodies.

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	LOW PRIORITY	MEDIUM PRIORITY	HIGH PRIORITY	N/A
Provide appropriate lighting provisions (streetscape or playspace specific) to ensure playspaces are safe at different times of the day.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide appropriate lighting to the orientation paths and facilities in larger playspaces to enhance time of day use opportunities and provide a feeling of safety.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Facilities

Create a gathering point with seating and shade to promote social interaction.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide variation of seating types (back and armrest, platform seating) at regular intervals on the orientation path to ensure everyone has appropriate rest options.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide bins, bubbler/water and bike racks near playspace entry points and picnic facilities. (Ensure these facilities are accessible to people of different sizes and mobility.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide appropriate, accessible picnic and BBQ facilities situated within the playspace or close by.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Include an accessible toilet/s and feature change facilities (babies, children, adults) near the playspace.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Fit

Location, layout and accessibility

Include an accessible path (without stair-only access) from/to the street, carpark and supporting facilities that are wide enough for a wheelchair and pram to pass each other with ease.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Include sufficient hard surface adjacent to all seats, allowing wheelchair and pram parking without obstructing the path.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	LOW PRIORITY	MEDIUM PRIORITY	HIGH PRIORITY	N/A
Ensure there is an appropriately located flush edge to the play surface from the access path to help wheelchairs, prams and people with limited mobility travel between the areas with ease.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Signage and wayfinding				
Include universally designed and multi-sensory entry signage and emergency/maintenance contact details if appropriate.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Develop a map of the playspace that outlines the location of key features to help people navigate the space. (Primarily for destination playspaces only.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Equipment and surfacing				
Ensure the majority of equipment pieces provide inclusive and engaging play experiences for all people.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Choose				
Location, layout and accessibility				
If possible, locate the playspace adjacent to supporting facilities, such as toilets, informal recreation spaces/kick-about and food and beverage facilities.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Consider a formal entry zone that provides a sense of welcome to the playspace and a pause point to observe the layout, become familiar with the space and decide where to go first. A slow introduction to the playspace is important to some people.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Include a vantage point/s with seating and shade from which the carers can see the whole playspace.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Create a quiet area away from the activity zones with seating and a sense of enclosure to provide a place for quiet play and rest.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	LOW PRIORITY	MEDIUM PRIORITY	HIGH PRIORITY	N/A
Arrange activity zones with subtle separation, without boundaries or significant distance between them.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Signage and wayfinding

Develop a map of the playspace that outlines the location of key features to help people navigate the space. (Primarily for destination playspaces only.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Play experience

Create a flexible, imaginative and unique playspace that is not solely reliant on equipment for play value.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Consider a range of dynamic play options to balance, climb, rock, slide, swing or spin.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Ensure fun and challenging individual and multi-user play options are included.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Create informal and imaginative play opportunities to encourage creativity.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Consider including sensory focused and natural elements. These could include interactive technology, music, sand, water and planting to stimulate the senses.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Explore opportunities for bike tracks and play paths. This could include directional or activity-themed markings, a variety of bumps, dips and level changes.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Equipment and surfacing

Include equipment pieces for all abilities and ages (flush carousel, hammock or basket swing, in-ground trampolines, ramp access to feature structure) that are fully integrated into the playspace and reachable for everyone.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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	LOW PRIORITY	MEDIUM PRIORITY	HIGH PRIORITY	N/A
Ensure surfacing to all abilities play pieces is accessible and compliant with the relevant Australian standards.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Create surfacing to sensory play and main equipment pieces that is comfortably trafficable by all, including those with limited mobility.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Landscape				
Include a landscape area (e.g. turf kick-about) close by to provide opportunities for unstructured play and connections to the local environment.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Safety				
Create a sense of distinction between quiet areas and activity spaces through landform, planting and surface materials.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide appropriate lighting provisions (streetscape or playspace specific) to ensure playspaces are safe at different times of the day.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facilities				
Provide variation of seating types (back and armrest, platform seating) at regular intervals on the orientation path to ensure everyone has appropriate rest options.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide appropriate, accessible picnic and BBQ facilities situated within the playspace or close by.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Join In				
Location, layout and accessibility				
Connect to street footpaths and the park entry with safe road crossing points.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	LOW PRIORITY	MEDIUM PRIORITY	HIGH PRIORITY	N/A
Connect with transport networks and include appropriate arrival facilities: pedestrian and cycle routes, accessible parking, mini-van drop off zones, bus bays through close proximity.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Include an accessible path (without stair-only access) from/to the street, carpark and supporting facilities that are wide enough for a wheelchair and pram to pass each other with ease.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Consider a primary entry point that is linked by an orientation path to help people connect between all points of entry and exit.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ensure there is an appropriately located flush edge to the play surface from the access path to help wheelchairs, prams and people with limited mobility travel between the areas with ease.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Arrange activity zones with subtle separation, without boundaries or significant distance between them.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Play experience				
Create a flexible, imaginative and unique playspace that is not solely reliant on equipment for play value.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Consider a range of dynamic play options to balance, climb, rock, slide, swing or spin.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide multiple play opportunities (both comfortable and challenging) to engage people of different ages and ability levels.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ensure fun and challenging individual and multi-user play options are included.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Create informal and imaginative play opportunities to encourage creativity.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Consider including sensory focused and natural elements. These could include interactive technology, music, sand, water and planting to stimulate the senses.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	LOW PRIORITY	MEDIUM PRIORITY	HIGH PRIORITY	N/A
Equipment and surfacing				
Include equipment pieces for all abilities and ages (flush carousel, hammock or basket swing, in-ground trampolines, ramp access to feature structure) that are fully integrated into the playspace and reachable for everyone.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ensure the majority of equipment pieces provide inclusive and engaging play experiences for all people.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ensure surfacing to all abilities play pieces is accessible and compliant with the relevant Australian standards.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Create surfacing to sensory play and main equipment pieces that is comfortably trafficable by all, including those with limited mobility.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Landscape				
Include a landscape area (e.g. turf kick-about) close by to provide opportunities for unstructured play and connections to the local environment.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Establish a well-considered planting palette specific to the playspace's context (orientation, shade and wind provision) and environment. This will create a micro-climate for year-round enjoyment with seasonal variation and maximise comfort at all times of day.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Include shade structures, sails and significant tree canopies to provide shade to play zones and seating areas.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Safety				
Ensure all playspace equipment, fall zones and surfacing complies with relevant Australian standards.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facilities				
Create a gathering point with seating and shade to promote social interaction.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	LOW PRIORITY	MEDIUM PRIORITY	HIGH PRIORITY	N/A
Provide variation of seating types (back and armrest, platform seating) at regular intervals on the orientation path to ensure everyone has appropriate rest options.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide bins, bubbler/water and bike racks near playspace entry points and picnic facilities. (Ensure these facilities are accessible to people of different sizes and mobility.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide appropriate, accessible picnic and BBQ facilities situated within the playspace or close by.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Include picnic facilities with a solid shade structure to provide year-round weather protection.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Include an accessible toilet/s and feature change facilities (babies, children, adults) near the playspace.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Thrive Location, layout and accessibility				
Create a quiet area away from the activity zones with seating and a sense of enclosure to provide a place for quiet play and rest.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Arrange activity zones with subtle separation, without boundaries or significant distance between them.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Play experience				
Create a flexible, imaginative and unique playspace that is not solely reliant on equipment for play value.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide multiple play opportunities (both comfortable and challenging) to engage people of different ages and ability levels.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ensure fun and challenging individual and multi-user play options are included.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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	LOW PRIORITY	MEDIUM PRIORITY	HIGH PRIORITY	N/A
Create informal and imaginative play opportunities to encourage creativity.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Consider including sensory focused and natural elements. These could include interactive technology, music, sand, water and planting to stimulate the senses.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Position seating and shade directly adjacent to water play to ensure carers can closely supervise.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Explore opportunities for bike tracks and play paths. This could include directional or activity-themed markings, a variety of bumps, dips and level changes.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Equipment and surfacing				
Include equipment pieces for all abilities and ages (flush carousel, hammock or basket swing, in-ground trampolines, ramp access to feature structure) that are fully integrated into the playspace and reachable for everyone.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ensure the majority of equipment pieces provide inclusive and engaging play experiences for all people.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Create surfacing to sensory play and main equipment pieces that is comfortably trafficable by all, including those with limited mobility.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Landscape				
Include a landscape area (e.g. turf kick-about) close by to provide opportunities for unstructured play and connections to the local environment.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Safety				
Provide a formal or informal boundary enclosure (fence, gate, landform, planting) to provide a secure environment from potential risks. Risks could include busy roads and open water bodies.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	LOW PRIORITY	MEDIUM PRIORITY	HIGH PRIORITY	N/A
Create a sense of distinction between quiet areas and activity spaces through landform, planting and surface materials.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ensure all playspace equipment, fall zones and surfacing complies with relevant Australian standards.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Belong

Location, layout and accessibility

Orientate and position the playspace to utilise the site's unique features, including views, existing vegetation, topography and passive surveillance.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
If possible, locate the playspace adjacent to supporting facilities, such as toilets, informal recreation spaces/kick-about and food and beverage facilities.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Include sufficient hard surface adjacent to all seats, allowing wheelchair and pram parking without obstructing the path.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Include a vantage point/s with seating and shade from which the carers can see the whole playspace.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Create a quiet area away from the activity zones with seating and a sense of enclosure to provide a place for quiet play and rest.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Arrange activity zones with subtle separation, without boundaries or significant distance between them.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Signage and wayfinding

Include universally designed and multi-sensory entry signage and emergency/maintenance contact details if appropriate.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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	LOW PRIORITY	MEDIUM PRIORITY	HIGH PRIORITY	N/A
Play experience				
Create a flexible, imaginative and unique playspace that is not solely reliant on equipment for play value.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ensure fun and challenging individual and multi-user play options are included.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Position seating and shade directly adjacent to water play to ensure carers can closely supervise.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Landscape				
Develop a design that reflects the local environment and integrates the playspace into the surrounding landscape, utilising existing vegetation and key views.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Establish a well-considered planting palette specific to the playspace's context (orientation, shade and wind provision) and environment. This will create a micro-climate for year-round enjoyment with seasonal variation and maximise comfort at all times of day.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Include shade structures, sails and significant tree canopies to provide shade to play zones and seating areas.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Safety				
Provide a formal or informal boundary enclosure (fence, gate, landform, planting) to provide a secure environment from potential risks. Risks could include busy roads and open water bodies.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Create a sense of distinction between quiet areas and activity spaces through landform, planting and surface materials.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide appropriate lighting provisions (streetscape or playspace specific) to ensure playspaces are safe at different times of the day.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	LOW PRIORITY	MEDIUM PRIORITY	HIGH PRIORITY	N/A
Provide appropriate lighting to the orientation paths and facilities in larger playspaces to enhance time of day use opportunities and provide a feeling of safety.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facilities				
Create a gathering point with seating and shade to promote social interaction.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide variation of seating types (back and armrest, platform seating) at regular intervals on the orientation path to ensure everyone has appropriate rest options.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide bins, bubbler/water and bike racks near playspace entry points and picnic facilities. (Ensure these facilities are accessible to people of different sizes and mobility.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide appropriate, accessible picnic and BBQ facilities situated within the playspace or close by.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Include picnic facilities with a solid shade structure to provide year-round weather protection.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Include an accessible toilet/s and feature change facilities (babies, children, adults) near the playspace.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>