# **TOWN OF COTTESLOE**



# PUBLIC OPEN SPACE WORKING GROUP NOTES

MAYOR'S PARLOUR, COTTESLOE CIVIC CENTRE

109 BROOME STREET, COTTESLOE

4.30pm, Wednesday 27 March 2024

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Chief Executive Officer

27 March 2024

#### PUBLIC OPEN SPACE WORKING GROUP

# **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Working Group is to consider improvements to all public open space outside of the Central Foreshore Precinct and the SVGC/Harvey Field Recreation Precinct provided by the Town which will enhance their use and enjoyment by the community.

#### **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

- a. To advise Council on infrastructure and policy requirements to improve all public open space provided by the Town (outside the of the Central Foreshore Precinct and the SVGC/Harvey Field Recreation Precinct); and
- b. Make recommendations to Council on matters relevant to the Committee.

#### CONFIDENTIALITY

These papers are not confidential on the whole; however, they will not be published on the Town's website or made available for public distribution. Elected Members/Committee Members are not prevented from discussing any topic raised in these papers in general terms; however, they should not be distributed as there are parts that are confidential for a host of reasons (e.g. the presence of legal advice).

The purpose of the meeting is for Members to provide informal feedback / raise issues with the progress of nominated projects. No decisions can be made at this forum and any matter that ultimately requires a Council decision will be presented to a Council meeting.

As no decisions can be made at the meeting and many of the topics could be considered confidential at this stage, the forum will not be open to the public.

The notes contained within these papers are in note form, they are not finalised reports. Members have an opportunity to ask for information to be considered for inclusion in reports on these matters, which will be considered by the officers when reports are finalised.

Officers are very aware of the need to maintain transparency in the decision making process. As noted in the departmental guidelines on such forums, the best way to maintain transparency in decision making is to ensure that all decisions are made in public meetings. With this in mind, officers have deliberately omitted any recommendations from these notes, instead noting how we suggest we proceed with the matter at hand. Members will be free to provide feedback on these suggestions; however, no specific direction should be given or debated.

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# 1 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

# 1.1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to begin by acknowledging the Whadjuk Nyoongar people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet today, and pay my respects to their Elders past and present. I extend that respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples here today.

# 2 DISCLAIMER

Refer to the Disclaimer on the inside of the cover page

# 3 APPOINTMENT OF PRESIDING MEMBER

Cr Harkins nominated and appointed unopposed

# 4 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION

The meeting will be recorded, solely for the purpose of confirming the correctness of the Minutes.

# 5 ATTENDANCE

# **Members**

Cr Melissa Harkins Elected Member
Cr Sonya Heath Elected Member

Ms Angela Moore Community Representative Mr Mark Powell Community Representative

Ms Julie Cox Cottesloe Coastcare Representative

# **Deputy Member**

Cr Chilla Bulbeck Elected Member/Deputy Member

#### Staff

Mr Matthew Scott
Mr Shaun Kan
Director Engineering Services
Mr Renuka Ismalage
Ms Tin May
Coordinator Infrastructure
Ms Rachel Cranny
Executive Services Officer

#### **Apologies**

Cr Brad Wylynko Elected Member

Ms Kerryn Briody Community Representative
Ms Kirsty Barrett Community Representative

# **Visitors**

Tim Davies Design Consultant (TDL)
Elisha Quintal Design Consultant (TDL)

# 6 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil

# **7 PRESENTATIONS**

TDL (Note officer's report comments and attached presentation)

# 8 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

# 8.1 HARVEY FIELD PLAYGROUND UPGRADE - CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT

Item by: Shaun Kan, Director Engineering Services

#### **SUMMARY**

The working group is asked to discuss the design vision/opportunities with TDL (Tim Davies Landscaping); the appointed consultant, and provide feedback for the design consult's principles.

#### BACKGROUND

A budget of \$303,767 was allocated in the 2023/2024 financial year for the Harvey Field playground to be upgraded in line with the current public open space and playground strategy.

The Administration requested TDL to develop a sports-themed playground concept and detailed design for the existing Harvey Field playground.

#### OFFICER'S COMMENTS

Harvey Field is located along Broome Street and is bound by the Sea View Golf Club to the west. The existing playground location and facilities are presented below.



Figure 1: Existing Playground Area



Figure 2: Existing Facilities (Dual-seat swing, play forts, spring seat, periscope)

The working group is asked to discuss and provide the consultant feedback on:

- The playground opportunities (play space themes), queries, and the scale of the playground envisaged for the space (Extent of the current survey area is provided in Figure 3 below)
- Imagery that will be required for the public consultation various play equipment, benches, landscaping, etc.

Completion of the above would then allow the consultant to develop a concept for adoption by the Council to go out to public consultation.

The anticipated timeframes are as follows:

- 1. Public Consultation
- 2. Concept Development
- 3. Detailed Design Development
- 4. Construction Phase

May 2024 June 2024 to July 2024 August 2024 to October 2024 From November 2024



Figure 3: Extent of survey area

#### INTENDED OUTCOME FROM MEETING

- 1. Introduction of the Design Consultants (TDL); and
- 2. Provide feedback on the design vision for the concept plan

#### **ATTACHMENT**

7.1. (a) Attachment A – Harvey Field Playground – TDL Presentation

#### 9 GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Heath - Basketball hoop at Grant Marine – Investigate Incorrect height? and could we please look into half court marked lines (3pt line)

Cr Bulbeck - Public Open Space Strategy for a micro basketball court in Andrews Place park

Shaun Kan – Asset Management Strategy, Council will need to give priorities which ones in the strategy require action first

Cr Heath – tweak the 2019 ranking of playgrounds in the POS Strategy

Cr Harkins – stay on track with the current playground timeline

Mark Powell – Advised that the Napier St playground has been a talking point on social media over how tired it looks

Cr Harkins – Could the fence at Napier St playground be painted?

# 10 MEETING CLOSURE

5.33pm

#### **MEETING NOTES**

CEO opened the meeting at 4.31pm and called for nominations for the Presiding member

Presiding member appointment to Cr Harkins

Introductions around the table for new POS members

Presentation from TDL asking for feedback with thoughts and ideas from the Working Group

Cr Harkins – We cannot go above the budget, has to remain within \$303,767 including contingencies

Cr Bulbeck – visibility of swings / equipment may draw kids to play is an advantage

Cr Harkins – This playground must have a fence, proximity to the road

Mark Powell – Loves the location under the trees, would like something where you meet and play

- With a iconic item to distinguish this playground from others

Cr Heath – Very popular when kids playing sport on Harvey Field especially younger ones

Great shade

Angela Moore – focus on play for 1-3yr olds, integrating the natural elements to continue the natural theme around Cottesloe

Julie Cox - natural plants with natural finishes (Allen Park in Swanbourne is a good example even if it is a little plastic)

Cr Harkins – Concentrate on 1-6yrs, all agree on a swing and a slide for a visual aspect

Mark Powell - Elongation

Tim Davies – Fencing whole park, meandering paths, colourful nature play ideas, established root system on NIP that is a slight challenge to be aware of, also is there existing irrigation? (need an irrigation plan from the Town)

Cr Bulbeck – sitting area – maybe more for parents

CEO – Asked TDL about what equipment might be able to be used within our budget?

TDL – Will be as clever as they can with the space they have

Cr Bulbeck – maybe have more than one swing if it is a busy playground during footy season

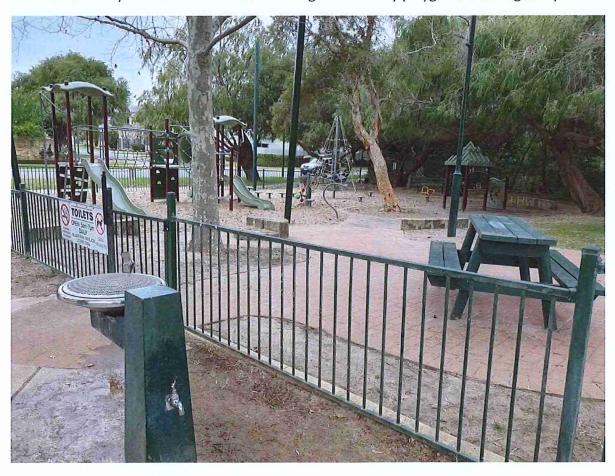


Photo Allen Park, Swanbourne

Shaun Kan - Concept based on today's discussion to then use that to go to community consultation — Aspirational Survey

Preamble for public consultation — Playground is 'Like to Like" upgrade — This is the playground we are planning if you have any feedback ....

- 1. Concept Development May 2024
- 2. Public consultation June to July 2024
- 3. Finalise concept August 2024
- 4. Detailed Design Development Aug to October 2024
- 5. Construction phase from November 2024