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Share your feedback

Respond to a short survey at yourcityyourvoice.com.au/WFCFP or share any comments with the Recreation and Open Space team via phone or email by midnight Sunday 17 September 2023.

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Chat with us in person

- 10am, Saturday 2 September at Shorten Reserve Pavilion
- 6pm, Wednesday 6 September at RecWest

What's next?

Funding has been allocated in the current years budget to progress design works on the final Shorten-Barrett Reserve Master Plan once refined based on your feedback and endorsed by Council.

Government has also committed \$10 million to support delivery of the project. Given Shorten Reserve was built on a former quarry and RecWest on a former landfill, the site will need to be treated and stabilised before upgrades can be undertaken.



Shorten-Barrett Master Plan Update

We've made some modifications to the Shorten-Barret Reserve Master Plan (inc. RecWest) that was endorsed in 2020.



Revised Shorten-Barrett Reserve Master Plan

We know our community is keen to see works progress, and we are getting ready to deliver – but first – after completing further due diligence and additional geotechnical and environmental investigations, we’ve made some changes to the adopted Master Plan we want to share with you for your feedback.

This includes:

- relocation of the sports pavilion to the northwest of Shorten Reserve
- upgraded competition grade AFL oval circled by a walking track
- new car parking
- fully enclosed four lane cricket nets, to increase training capacity and improve public safety
- modified footprint of RecWest Community facility incorporating a second indoor sports court and new area for the Scouts
- the realignment and transformation of Market Street into an open-air plaza.

These changes will further enhance the user experience at Shorten and Barret reserves, now and into the future, increasing the capacity for tenants and casual users to enjoy the space while also reducing ongoing maintenance costs.

The new pavilion location will support access to the shared facilities for players and visitors from all sporting codes. It also allows for a consolidated equipment storage area on the site of the old pavilion.

The addition of a reconfigured oval will provide for competition games to be hosted at Shorten Reserve, with a walking track around the perimeter providing enhanced opportunities for informal recreation.

The addition of second indoor sports court at RecWest recognises the challenges for our municipality around indoor sports provision generally. The relocation of the bocce court and incorporation of the Scouts inside the building will allow us to maximise the surrounding outdoor space to support community connection and events. This includes the proposed outdoor plaza linking Shorten and Barrett reserves.



Proposed Stage 1 Upgrades

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| 1 New pavilion located away from residential properties | 7 Proposed 19 car spaces (on-street parking on Blandford Street with drop off zone and accessible parking) |
| 2 Upgraded competition grade AFL oval with 4Turf cricket wickets | 8 Relocated existing scoreboard |
| 3 New goal posts with safety netting | 9 Designated parking areas (22 car spaces on Essex Street) |
| 4 Reconfiguration of the existing cricket nets to provide the full amount of run-up | 10 Bicycle hoops |
| 5 Spectator seating and coaches/player interchange shelter | 11 Designated parking area (38 spaces) |
| 6 Spectator seating and viewing area | 12 Perimeter path |
| | 13 New curator store and emergency/maintenance access to the oval |

Overall Master Plan

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| 1 New RecWest facility including two indoor courts and co-located Scout facilities | 9 New power substation and community battery |
| 2 New sheltered picnic and BBQ facilities | 10 New pedestrian crossing |
| 3 Bocce court with seating and arbour | 11 Fire tanks |
| 4 Relocated and playground expanded around existing trees | 12 Rain water tanks |
| 5 Proposed closure of Market Street with drop-off area | 13 Scout group gas cannisters |
| 6 Cyclable plaza and connection between Market and Essex streets – community market/event area, bollards and street furniture | 14 Possible rain garden for storm water treatment |
| 7 Car park with designated accessible spaces and loading zone (71 spaces) | 15 Hydration station |
| 8 Formalise on-street parking on Graham Street (35 spaces) | 16 Cafe break out |
| | 17 Existing speed hump upgraded to priority pedestrian crossing |