



PLAN OF MANAGEMENT EASTON PARK, ROZELLE

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1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose of the Plan of Management

This Plan of Management has been developed to guide Council and the community in the future development, maintenance and management of Easton Park, Rozelle.

Leichhardt Council has established broad objectives in relation to public open space management:

- a) To improve the amenity of open space within the Leichhardt Local Government Area;
- b) To prepare and establish Plans of Management including Landscape Master plans for each area of open space that guides the future development, management and maintenance of its open space facilities;
- c) To actively engage community input in the preparation of Plans of Management for parkland areas and provide informed planning advice to Council;
- d) To reduce ongoing maintenance costs through the improved design and management of facilities;
- e) To implement sustainability principles with consideration of Council's Leichhardt 2020+ Strategic Plan; and
- f) To establish a proposed and documented program for staged improvement works which are prioritised and agreed to by Council.

This Plan of Management also supports the vision and directions outlined in Council's 2020+ Strategic Plan in relation to community well-being; accessibility; and a sustainable environment and specifically the objective to Plan open space and other developments to increase open space, enhance the natural environment and native biodiversity.

1.2 Overview of Easton Park

Easton Park is located within the suburb of Rozelle and is bounded by Lilyfield Road, Denison Street and Burt Street. Refer to Figure 1 for a location plan and Figure 2 for an aerial photograph of the park. The land is legally described as Lot 1 of Deposited Plan 723951 and Lots 1 & 2 of Deposited Plan 797903. The Park is approximately 2.06 hectares in area.

Easton Park is owned by Council and is classified as Community Land.

The site comprises passive open space areas and a local sports field utilised for soccer in the winter months and junior cricket in the summer. It also contains an enclosed children's playground; a public toilet; and heritage listed sewer pumping station owned by Sydney Water. The parkland is defined by the curvilinear street edges to the south and west, a reflection of the site's historical topography and settlement pattern, near the edge of Rozelle Bay. It contains significant Hills Fig trees at the northern and western border which create much of the character of the Park.

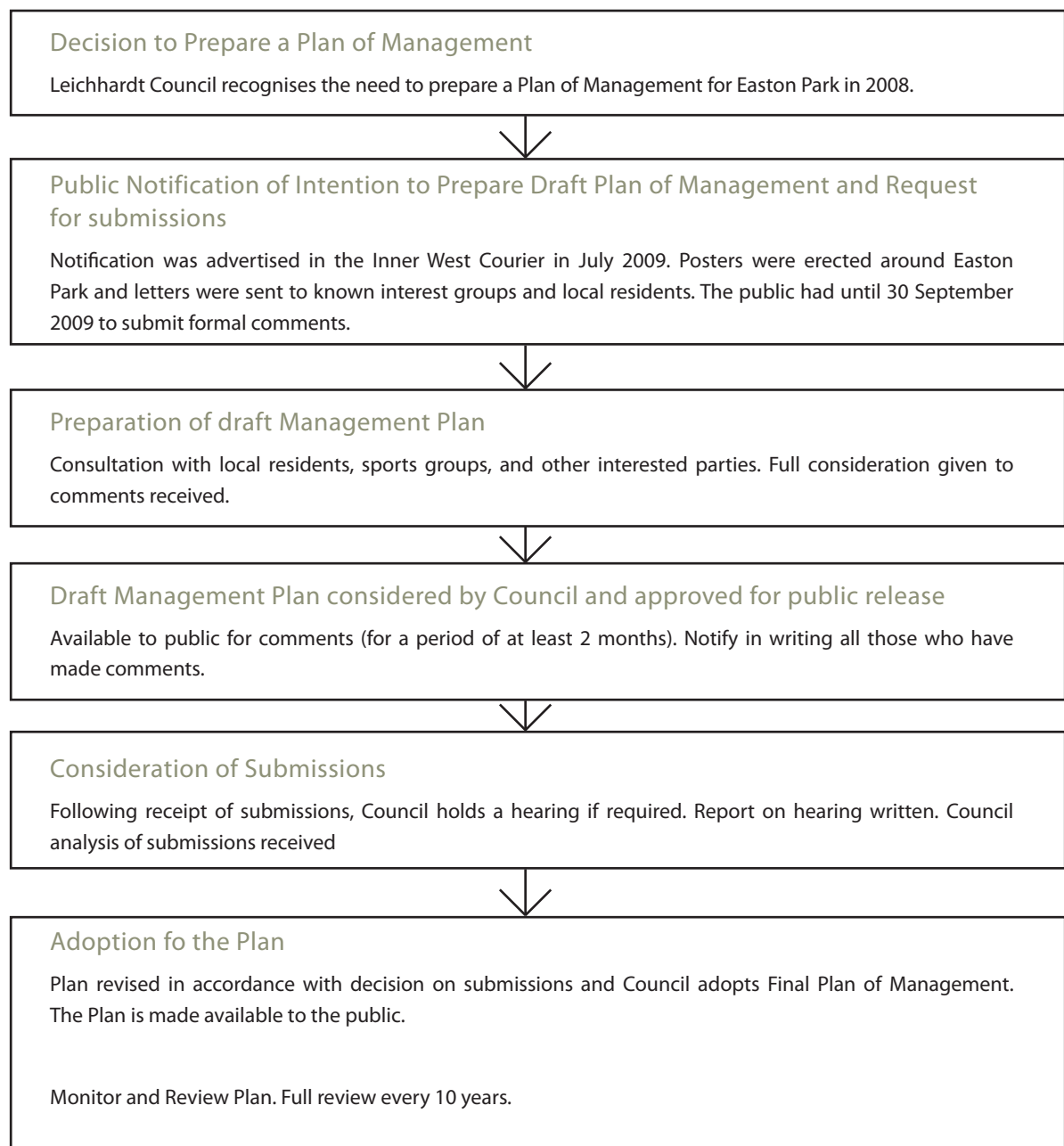
The park is used for passive public recreation, including walking, dog walking, and playing in addition to the active use of the playing field. Use of the park for dog walking is governed by Council Policy in relation to leashed and off-leash use.

The Park is located at the base of the southern slope of the peninsula. The surrounding land uses comprise primarily residential uses, other than for the timber yard and the rail lands across Lilyfield Road.

Easton Park was established as a park in the late 1800's. An aerial photograph below shows Easton Park in 1943. On this date, improvements included the cricket field, the sewer pumping station and, as the photograph was taken during the second world war, a local air raid shelter.

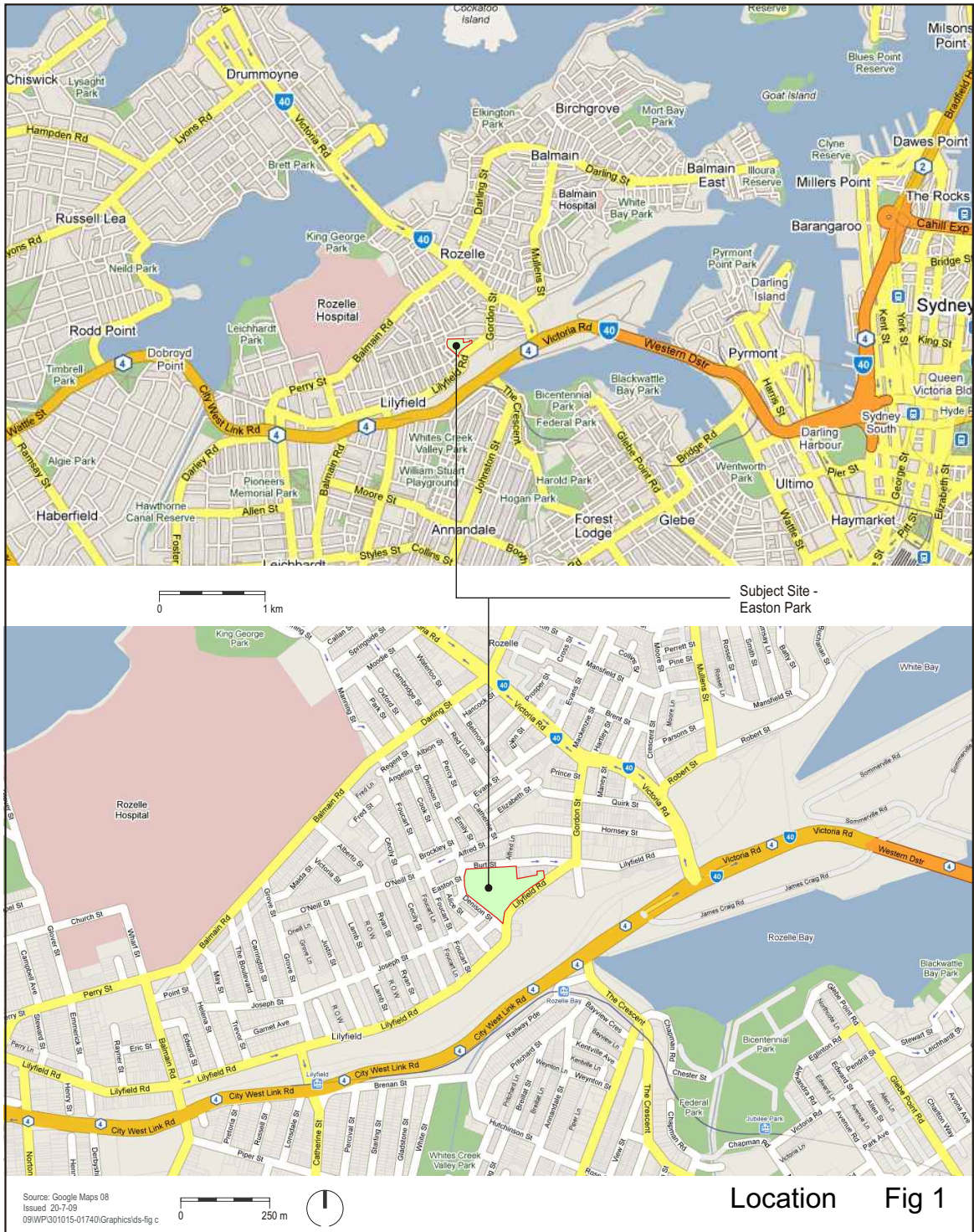


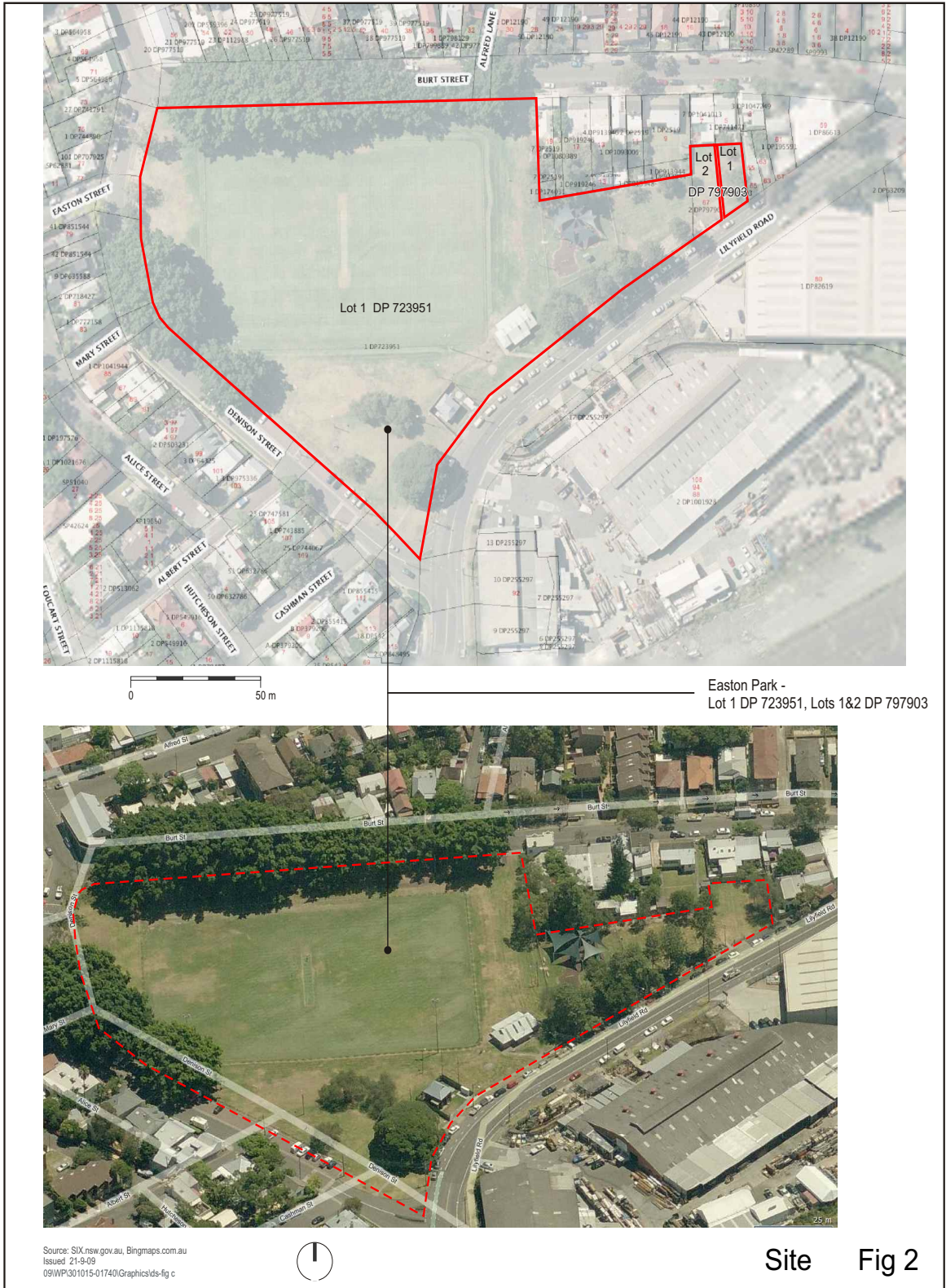
Process to Prepare Easton Park Plan of Management





Aerial view of Easton Park in context. The curvilinear nature of Lilyfield Road at the southern edge is reflective of the historical topography and landform.





Site Fig 2