Introduction + Principles

Introduction

ASPECT Studios were commissioned by Marrickville Council in collaboration with The Miller Group to prepare a Master Plan for Sydenham Green. The scope included consultation with the local community as well as relevant stakeholders to gain an understanding of the sites current issues and to unlock potential future upgrades and new uses.

The Master Plan scope consists of a largly unprogrammed site of approximately 4.5 hectare located on Unwins Bridge Road in Sydenham. The former residential land was acquired and homes demolished in the mid 1990's due to the affects of aircraft noise from the third runway at Sydney Airport. The current park consist of a series if smaller rectangular land parcels divided by a grid of streets and laneways which reflect the former built form pattern of the neighbourhood. Although large in size, the park remains largely underutilised due to aircraft and road noise, the poor level of public amenity and lack of programme.

The proposed Master Plan for Sydenham Green provides a vision for the future upgrade of the park based on community and stakeholder feedback and the outcomes of Council's Plan of Management for the site. The plan seeks to reinvigorate Sydenham Green by increasing the site's programme of uses, upgrading current poor amenities and establishing a strong identity for the park in which the various parcels of land become stitched together.

Community Consultation

Marrickville Council commissioned the Miller Group to undertake community consultation research to provide an evidence base to underpin the development of the new Master plan and Plan of Management for Sydenham Green. This included three community consultation sessions and an on line survey which aimed to gather both community and various stakeholder opinions on the current use and future aspirations for the site.

Key comments raised by the community included:

- Toilet facilities are poor and often locked
- The Children's playground is very poor (this has since been upgraded in 2013)
- Informal grass areas were appreciated
- Safety and antisocial behaviour occurs within the site
- Maintenance is poor
- More trees for more shade and to enclose the park
- Extend dog off leash area

Design principles

The ASPECT Studios has developed a number of overarching design principles to guide the evolution of the master plan. These principles have been developed following an analysis of the current conditions and use of the site and community consultation feedback.

These design principles are outlined below:

1. Stitch Park Together

- Bring together the various land parcels that are currently divided by streets and lanes through the implementation of shared zones and avenue tree planting
- Establish a strong identity for the site through colour, graphics and signage which unifies and defines the park

2. Programme

· Enhance existing park uses through improved amenities

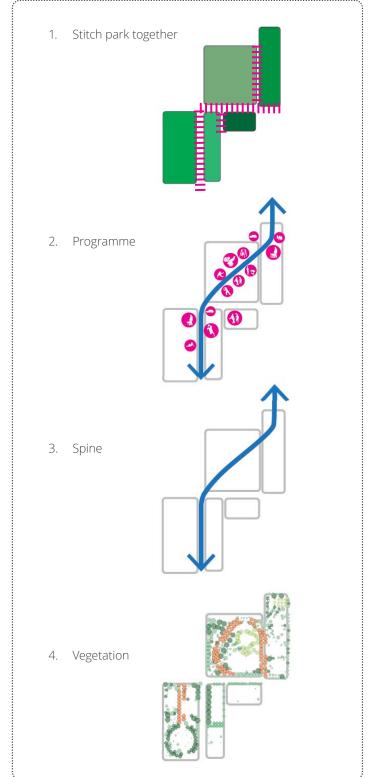
- · Introduce new uses / building programme compatible with community and stakeholder aspirations
- Provide activity for all age groups, increasing occupation and surveillance of the site resulting in increased safety

3. Spine

- · Establish a clear path of travel through the site which links all activities within the park
- Increase lighting along spine creating a safe through site link during the night

4. Vegetation

- Retain all existing trees of cultural, heritage and ecological value
- · Introduce proposed decorative overlay of deciduous and flowering trees adding colour and seasonal variance throughout the park
- Introduce a native understorey planting layer in appropriate locations to buffer park boundaries from noisy streetscapes
- · Create planting diversity and wildlife habitat
- · Consider lifecycle of trees through sucession planting



Precedent Images

Urban Square



Lawn







Shade



Public Art





Community Garden

Bryant Park

Planting



Rios Clementi Hale Studio Shared Zone

Play

Purple Pleasure

Carve Architects, Netherland

Pirrama Park Pvrmont, Sydney



Saint Joseph's Community Ga Newtown, Sydney

Youth facilities





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Unwins Bridge Road

Кеу Park North 1. Town Square with unit paving, banded brickwork, grove tree planting with seating under 2. Existing fenced dog off leash zone with increased seating and periphery planting 3. Pedestrian / cycle circulation paths 4. Existing fenced children's play zone with play equipment and softfall 5. Large play net on softfall, catering for a wide range of age groups 6. Swings and spinner on softfall with seating for supervising parents 7. Proposed toilet with adjacent waiting area ti 8. Existing 'fireplace' kiosk retained to cater for possible coffee cart or community co-operative 9. Urban lounge at edge of play space 10. BBQ zone with picnic tables and BBQs under planted shade canopy 11. Urban forest with opportunity for Bush regeneration / bush care providing planted buffer to Railway Road 12. Un-programmed lawn for informal play / ball games Railway Road 13. Park circuit for walking, jogging, children's learn to ride. Flowering deciduous feature trees provide seasonal colour around the circuit 14. Buffer planting to periphery of existing housing to be retained 15. Shared way treatment to Rowe Street including removable bollards and site specific graphic applied to asphalt surface 16. Shared way treatment to Henry Street including 10km / hr speed limit and site specific graphic applied to asphalt surface 17. Outdoor fitness zone with equipment on softfall





- 20. Proposed carparking to Reilley Lane
- 21. 2 x basketball courts with seating and planting to periphery
- 22. Community Garden (final design by community garden group) utilising roof water and reflected heat from adjacent factories



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 Proposed graphic art wall (similar to Mays Lane in St Peters)
Proposed retaining wall with interpretation of former residential fences that once lined Railway Road

Park South

25. Former Coptic Church

- 26. Decorative Avenue tree planting to Park Lane
- 27. Proposed off leash dog area with periphery planting

28. Existing BBQ and shade structure retained

- 29. Continuation of formal path connecting Park Lane to BBQ facility
- 30. Proposed ring of native evergreen tree planting
- 31. Increased tree planted buffer Railway Road
- 32. Stone Villa Artists Studio
- 33. Future SES Site

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Landscape Sections

Section A-A _ Children's Playground 1:200



Understorey planting under treees

Existing 'fireplace' kiosk / coffee cart Circulation path Children's play with space net and rocks for seating

Circulation path

Shaded seating zone

Informal shaded lawn

Section B-B _ Youth Quarter 1:250



2 x Basketball Courts with lighting, seating and public art wall on adjacent factory wall	Reilly Lane	Off street parking	Circulation & Seating	Skate park	Buffer planting to Railway Road

Section C-C _Town Square 1:100

