



Warragul Outdoor Recreation Plan



Progress Report September 2018

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1. Introduction

The Warragul Outdoor Recreation Plan was developed to provide a policy position and clear direction for the provision of outdoor recreation facilities (excluding swimming pools) for Warragul to the year 2030.

The Plan was received by Council on 10 September 2008.

During 2013/2014, Council undertook a review of recreation masterplans, with the amended document being adopted by Council on 10 December 2014.

The Recreation Strategy 2017-2027 contains the following recommendation "E9-Review all Recreation Reserve Master Plans every four (4) years to update outstanding recommendations and to ensure they are still relevant."

A review of these documents every four years coincides with the term of office for Councillors. A review mechanism also ensures they remain current and able to meet the changing needs and expectations of Council, clubs and the broader community.

This document shows original masterplans for each site (2008), updated masterplan maps where appropriate (2014), discusses known current issues and provides a progress report on projects in the implementation plan.

During 2018/2019, a review of recreation master plans will be undertaken with community and stakeholder consultation, assessment of merit of identified projects, prioritisation of projects and further consultation at the Draft stage.

This plan focuses on sporting facilities and associated infrastructure located at the following recreation precincts in Warragul:

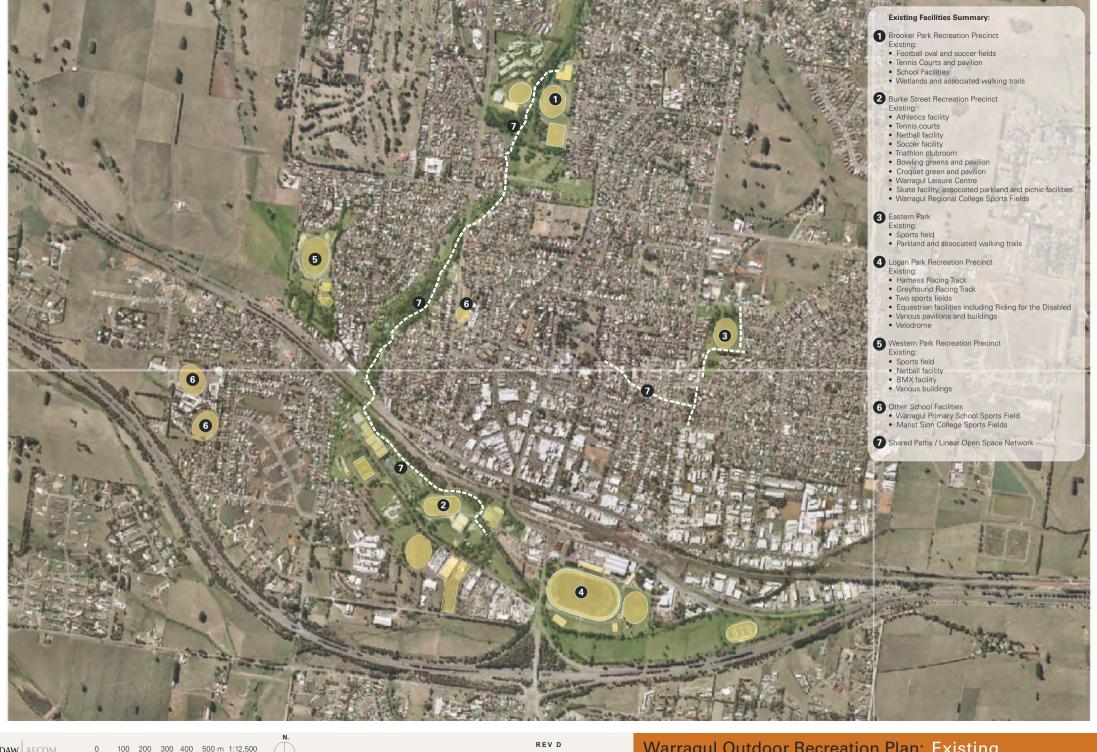
- Brooker Park
- Burke Street Recreation Park
- Eastern Park
- Logan Park
- Western Park



2. Facilities Plan

Warragul Township







Eastern Park

Master Plan Review Summary

A significant number of recommendations were implemented between 2008 and 2014 including:

- Formalising and sealing two car parks,
- Construction of a new pavilion,
- · New playground,
- · Levelling an area used as informal bike jumps,
- · Extension of the walking trail and
- A connection between the park and community services on Normanby Street.

The following recommendations have been implemented between 2014 and 2018:

- Lighting for oval to 100 lux
- Screening of urinals within pavilion
- Doors added to external privacy partitions to enable stretcher access into change rooms
- New toilet block with unisex disabled toilet, unisex ambulant toilet and parent's room with children's toilet and baby change table
- New 2.5m wide footpath along Normanby Street between Cambridge Drive and Stoffers Street
- Lighting along key access points

Current issues that we are aware of and will be subject to discussion as part of the 2018/2019 review include:

- Pavilion does not comply with AFL Preferred Facility Guidelines (amenities, change rooms, umpires rooms)
- Warragul Cricket Club have received funding to upgrade the cricket training nets and install a hard wicket (synthetic)
- Shelter for spectators and car parking close to the pavilion are concerns that have been raised by user groups.

The original and amended versions of the masterplan follow.



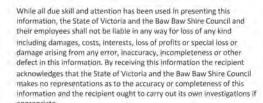


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Eastern Park

- 1. Training lights.
- 2. Improve unisex facilities by screening urinals or replacing with an additional toilet pan.
- 3. Review door / corridor widths and privacy partitions to ensure stretcher access
- 4. Single unisex public toilet to be low maintenance and include baby change.
- 5. Improve connectivity by installing a 2.5m wide footpath along Normanby Street between Cambridge Drive and Stoffers Street.
- 6. Lighting along key access points
- 7. Seating around ground.
- 8. Consider more ground entry gates.
- 9. Community garden.





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Burke Street Recreation Precinct

Master Plan Review Summary

Between 2008 and 2014, the following progress was made on the Plan:

- The bowling greens have been converted to synthetic and floodlit.
- A new pavilion including change rooms has been built at Marist Sion College adjoining the oval,
- Council has completed detailed designs for the tennis/ netball courts and multiuse pavilion,
- A design for a new off-road car park on the eastern side of Anderson Street was prepared along with a traffic and parking study for Burke Street in 2011,
- The surface in the center of Geoff Watt Track is being used as a multi-use space,
- Funding was received for the Warragul Leisure Centre redevelopment.

Between 2014 and 2018, the following progress was made on the Plan:

- Existing 6 tennis courts renewed
- Pine barrier along Geoff Watt Track has been replaced with a flat top bollard so that it can double as seating
- Warragul Leisure Centre redevelopment completed

Feedback that will be considered as part of the 2018/2019 review includes:

- There are two standard size croquet greens.
- The Bowling Club has identified toilet facilities at the other end of the bowling rinks as a club priority.
- The Warragul Bowling Club and Warragul Croquet Club have indicated they do not wish to share a pavilion and would like the project to be removed.
- Two proposals have been submitted under the Victorian Government's 'Pick My Project' campaign for public voting. These include a community labyrinth and a half-court basketball court to be located at Burke St Park.





Baxter Park

Between 2008 and 2014, a feasibility study including hydrology modelling and a functional layout diagram was completed for soccer to be located at Logan Park (refer Logan Park Summary).

During the 2014 review, no provision was made for soccer as the Club wished to pursue a new green-field site.

Between 2014 and 2018:

- The development of a Business Case for a proposed synthetic pitch at Baxter Reserve was undertaken following a request from the Warragul United Soccer Club during the development of the 2017/2018 Council Budget. The request responded to the Club's aim to have an improved ground surface for the Club's training and playing requirements at Baxter Reserve.
- The development of a synthetic pitch at Baxter Reserve was considered to meet the short term (10 to 15 year) needs of Warragul United Soccer Club as well as potentially providing an all-weather ground for some other use and users.
- Beyond this point, the Soccer Club have indicated a desire to be located at a greenfield site at Lillico Road identified in the Warragul Precinct Structure Plan.
- At a Council meeting on 11 July 2018, Council received and noted the Baxter Reserve Synthetic Pitch Business Case Report, requested officers seek feedback from the Warragul United Soccer Club and commence detailed designs for the synthetic pitch.

As part of the 2018/2019 review, the following factors will need to be considered:

- Feedback from the Warragul United Soccer Club on the Draft Baxter Reserve Synthetic Pitch Business Case Report
- Any detailed designs for the synthetic pitch
- Future role of Baxter Park and project costs

The concept designs for the synthetic pitch (options one and two) are presented on the following pages.



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PITCH

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Logan Park Recreation Precinct

Master Plan Review Summary

Between 2008 and 2014, the following progress was made on the Plan:

- Council purchased land at Lardner for a municipal equestrian facility, with the intent that the Warragul Pony Club will relocate to this site.
- The Hazel Creek Waterway Management Plan was commissioned by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and jointly funded by Baw Baw Shire in 2011.
- A feasibility study including hydrology modelling was completed for this site along with a functional layout diagram for soccer, however this was not progressed as the Warragul United Soccer Club did not wish to pursue this site. Refer to notes in Baxter Park section.
- In 2014, the Warragul Urban Drainage Strategy Update was prepared to support the Warragul Precinct Structure Plan, which was adopted by Council on 6 August 2014. This strategy identifies a wetland location in Logan Park.

Between 2014 and 2018, the following progress was made on the Plan:

- Warragul Pony Club relocated to the new Baw Baw Equestrian Centre at Lardner.
- Oval lighting upgrade to 100 lux
- Upgrade to RDA building including accessible toilet and small social space
- Demolition of old pavilion and development of new facility including change rooms, toilets and verandah
- Concept design prepared for the wetland (refer below)

As part of the 2018/2019 review, the following factors will need to be considered:

- Proposal from Warranor Junior Football Club for electronic scoreboard, spectator pavilion with coffee house, timekeeper's box and canteen extension
- Harness proposal for erection of a safety fence around horse living and movement areas and a secondary fence and garden beds to the home straight to reduce risks should a horse leave the track. Harness has also expressed a desire for horse yards
- Warragul Greyhound Racing Club proposal for converting undercover area near Danny's to a community space
- Warragul United Soccer Club's expression of interest in using Logan Park as a training and game day venue in 2019 and beyond.
- A proposal has been submitted by the Warragul Cycling Club under the Victorian Government's 'Pick My Project' campaign for public voting for a cycling cross track.

An original version of the masterplan, a functional layout completed for soccer in 2011 and the amended versions of the masterplan follow.





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Logan Park Recreation Precinct

- 1. Upgrade oval lighting to training standards.
- 2. Provide accessible toilet for RDA and small social space.
- Future wetland location

 consider future use for sports
 field irrigation and feasibility of
 criterium track around edge.
- Upgrade pavilion to meet training requirements - include basic change rooms, toilets and unisex facilities to comply with building standards.
- 5. Improve traffic management.
- Investigate mountain bike / cyclocross circuit track.



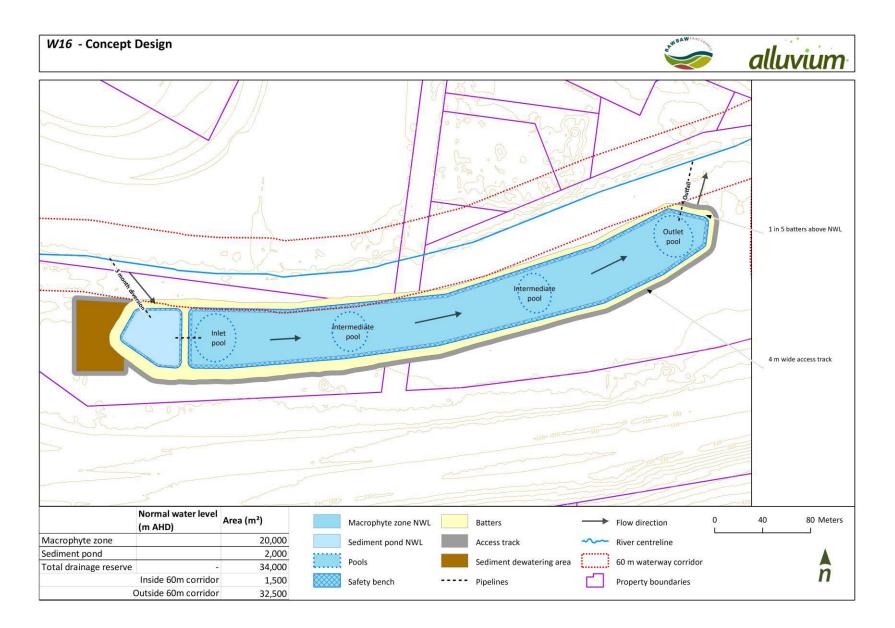
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Brooker Park Recreation Precinct

Master Plan Review Summary

Between 2008 and 2014, the following progress was made on the Plan:

- The new oval originally proposed by St Paul's Anglican Grammar School was abandoned and this area has been used to develop two new courts and an open space area.
- St Paul's Anglican Grammar School has built an indoor court facility.

On 25 July 2018, Council adopted a new Master Plan for Brooker Park.

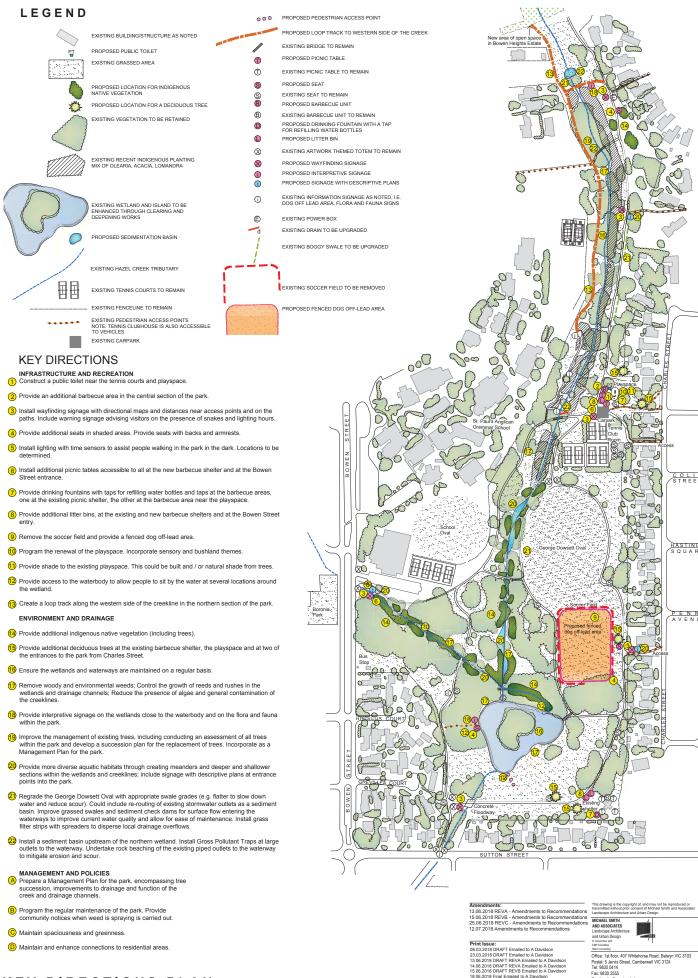
The original 2008 plan and new 2018 plan are outlined on the following pages.





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AUGUST 2008



KEY DIRECTIONS PLAN
BROOKER PARK MASTER PLAN
BAW BAW SHIRE COUNCIL



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Key Directions Plan Brooker Park Master Plan Date: 27.02.2018
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Western Park Recreation Precinct

Master Plan Review Summary

Since 2008, the following items have occurred in relation to the masterplan:

- Floodlighting to the existing sports field was upgraded to 100 lux.
- Open space has been set aside from the Waterford Rise subdivision across from Western Park.
- Removable bollards have been installed near the sports pavilion to prevent traffic in this area.

Between 2014 and 2018, the following progress was made on the Plan:

 Development of new oval on the west side of Tarwin Street along with associated drainage, irrigation, wickets, fencing, lighting, shelter, coaches boxes, unisex toilet, tiered seating, electronic scoreboard, netting, goal posts, pathways etc

As part of the 2018/2019 review, the following factors will need to be considered:

• The venue is now used for women's football, hence the female friendliness of the amenities will need to be considered e.g open showers should be avoided.







Western Park Rec Precinct

- Monitor stability of oval for movement. Manage environmental issues and land movement accordingly.
- 2. Renew light fittings for netball courts.
- 3. Upgrade pavillion to incorporate:
 - a. Sufficient club room space for netball and BMX
 - b. Storage, meeting space and canteen
 - c. Improve shelter for netball spectators.
- Develop new senior sports field including floodlighting for training purposes on western side of Tarwin St.
- 5. Future wetland/retardation basin.



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3. Financial and Implementation Plan

The implementation of the Warragul Outdoor Recreation Plan will be dependent on available funding and the priorities of funding partners. This Plan is one of many recreation plans across the municipality and represents only a small section of Council's total asset groups.

In order to reduce the overall financial commitment required from Baw Baw Shire, external funding opportunities and contributions will be explored from all potential stakeholders including clubs / associations, developers, schools, Committees of Management, Government Departments and associated authorities.

The financial commitments outlined below are indicative estimates only and may change following detailed design works. Cost escalations should be considered.

The actions were prioritised as part of the 2014 consultation process into high, medium or low priority rankings.

As part of the 2018 review, incomplete and any new projects will be scored and prioritised on a Shire-wide basis using the 'Facility Prioritisation Assessment Framework' from the Recreation Strategy 2017-2027.

Projects have been colour coded indicating those actions that have been completed (green), in progress (orange) and not commenced (red).



Actions	High	Medium	Low	Indicative Cost/ Comment
Eastern Park				
Formalise existing car park & possible expansion				Complete x 2
(sealed)				\$262,000
Level area used as informal bike jumps and create gateway landscape entrance				Complete
Remove fence between park and community services				Small section removed. Complete
Remove 'green shed'				Still required
Install new pavilion				Complete \$362,440
Install new playground				Complete \$281,507
Sports specific permanent infrastructure				Complete
Park equipment				Complete
Plant native vegetation at perimeter				Complete
Training lights for oval				Complete \$136,454
Improve unisex facilities in pavilion by screening urinals or replacing with an additional toilet pan				Complete
Review door/ corridor widths and privacy partitions to ensure stretcher access				Complete
Provide single unisex public toilet (to be low				Complete
maintenance and include baby change)				\$164,792
Improve connectivity by installing a 2.5m wide				Complete
footpath along Normanby Street between Cambridge Drive and Stoffers Street				\$102,908
Provide lighting along key access points				Complete
				\$24,803
Provide more seating around the ground			<u>√</u>	\$2,875
Install more ground entry gates near coaches boxes			√	\$5,750
Sub Total Completed Works				\$1,334,904
Sub Total Outstanding Works Burke Street Recreation Precinct				\$8,625
Install synthetic surface on bowling greens				Complete
				\$460,000
Upgrade surface in center of athletics facility for multi-use				Complete
Develop facility (incl. change rooms) at Marist Sion to replace current pavilion				Complete \$420,000
2 standard size croquet courts				Complete

Actions	High	Medium	Low	Indicative Cost/ Comment
Flood light one bowling green				Complete
Construct new multi-use pavilion	✓			Design completed \$2,816,000
Demolition of Burke St pavilion (building occupied by Wild Dog Tri Club)			✓	Included in court costs
Renew existing 6 tennis courts				Complete \$119,000
Renew existing tennis court fencing		✓		\$50,000
4 new netball courts		✓		Design completed \$632,500
6 multi lined courts (tennis and netball)			✓	Design completed \$2,024,000
Upgrade bowls clubhouse to accommodate croquet club/s		✓		\$460,000
Provide sufficient car parking (sealed) to accommodate projected use		✓		Design completed \$1,722,240
Upgrade walking track, when required, to meet relevant standards			✓	\$138,000
Upgrade Warragul Regional College sports oval surface			✓	\$23,000
Flood lighting sports field	✓			\$189,750
Upgrade athletics track / build new long jump			✓	\$115,000
Replace pine barrier along Geoff Watt Track with flat				Complete
tops to double as seating				\$5,660
Warragul Leisure Centre redevelopment				Complete
				\$14,000,000
Sub Total Completed Works				\$15,004,660
Sub Total Outstanding Works Bayter Park				\$8,170,490

Baxter Park

No costs were included in the original Plan for Baxter Park as soccer facilities were proposed elsewhere in Warragul. However, detailed designs for a synthetic facility at Baxter Park will provide a better cost estimate, however the high level cost estimates range between \$2,554,521-\$2,669,276

Logan Park Recreation Park

Feasibility Study (includes hydrology modeling to accommodate soccer facilities)		Complete
Upgrade oval lighting to training standards		Complete
		\$151,800
Provide accessible toilet for RDA and small social		Complete
space		\$127,000
Upgrade existing pavilion to meet training		Complete
requirements- include basic change rooms, toilets		\$217,200
and unisex facilities to comply with building standards		

Actions	High	Medium	Low	Indicative Cost/ Comment
Improve traffic management			√	\$5,750
Mountain bike/ cyclocross circuit track			✓	\$184,000
Feasibility and design of criterium track around edge of wetland			✓	\$28,750
Sub Total Completed Works				\$496,000
Sub Total Outstanding Works				\$218,500
Potential wetland				\$3,281,454
Brooker Park Recreation Precinct				
Indoor court facility and change rooms				Complete
Sub Total				-
Western Park Recreation Precinct				
Secure land as public open space				Complete
Upgrade floodlighting to existing sports field				Complete
				\$237,317
Install removable bollards in front of sports pavilion				Complete
Monitor stability of oval for movement. Manage				Ongoing as
environmental issues and land movement accordingly	✓			required
Replace floodlighting fittings at netball courts from type B to type C to reduce obtrusive light		✓		\$14,950
Upgrade netball pavilion to incorporate sufficient club				\$415,609
room, storage and meeting space and shelter for		✓		
spectators				
Develop new senior sports field including floodlighting				In progress
for training purposes on western side of Tarwin St.				\$1,803,570
Sub Total Completed Works				\$2,040,887
Sub Total Outstanding Works				\$430,559
Total cost/ % of completed works for W	arragul Outo	loor Recreation	Plan	\$18,876,451 68%
Total indicative cost/ % to implement re Outdoor Recreation Plan (excluding Lo synthetic)	\$8,828,174 32%			

Legend Project completed

Project commenced- refer to comments for detail
Project not started