



# Trafalgar Recreation Precinct Master Plan Review

2019 review





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## 1. Introduction

The Trafalgar Recreation Precinct Master Plan was developed to provide a clear guide on the type and location of recreation facilities required for the current and future recreation needs of the Trafalgar community.

The Plan was adopted by Council on 25 March 2009.

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.

During 2018/2019, a further review of recreation master plans has been undertaken with community and stakeholder consultation.

Updated estimated costs have been prepared and the priority of projects have been determined on a Shire wide basis utilising the 'Facility Prioritisation Assessment Matrix' from the Recreation Strategy as at May 2019.

The plan focuses on sporting facilities and associated infrastructure located at the Trafalgar sporting precinct.

## 2. Master Plan Review Summary/ Progress Report

Between 2009 and 2014, the following recommendations were implemented at the Reserve:

- An asset management audit including existing lighting infrastructure was undertaken;
- Construction of two new grass sports pitches with sand profile, drainage and irrigation, associated lighting and pavilion;
- Expansion and resurfacing of netball facilities to meet Netball Victoria run off requirements;
- Feasibility study for community wetland for storm water reuse and
- Designs of new recreation reserve entry.

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

- Provision of a new player and officials shelter at the netball courts;
- The playground fencing has been secured;
- New entry from Reserve Road including road widening, kerb and channel, ticket box, new boundary fencing, footpath, drainage improvements and line-marking works at the intersection of Waterloo and Reserve Roads;
- A gravel parking area for approximately 50 cars on the western side of the Reserve for pitches was constructed;
- A lighting upgrade to provide a minimum of 200 lux LED lighting to both netball courts has been funded and will be delivered in the 2018/2019 financial year;
- A funding application to install the final two light towers and floodlights for the western soccer pitch has been successful. This project is expected to be delivered in the 2018/2019 financial year.

Although not part of the Masterplan, the following item also occurred during this time:

- Construction of a rising sewer main at Trafalgar Recreation Reserve, including connection to the existing septic systems at a cost of \$243,886.

In total approximately \$1,718,408 has been spent delivering 21% of the total value of projects identified in the masterplan for Trafalgar Recreation Precinct between 2009 and 2018.

The current version of the masterplan follows.

# Trafalgar Recreation Reserve

1. New senior size oval (165m x 135m) with 4-5 turf benches (turf to be maintained by club) and 1 synthetic cricket pitch and training lights
2. Refurbishment of existing main pavilion. Scope to meet AFL/ Cricket/ Netball sporting code requirements for female friendly change rooms and amenities for players and umpires, external access toilets and access to social space. Once completed, existing netball and cricket buildings to be demolished
3. New multi-use pavilion for western side of reserve to service soccer fields and second oval. Scope to include 6 x female friendly change rooms/ amenities, officials space, external access toilets, veranda, storage, office, timekeeping box, canteen, and boxing gym. Location to be between soccer fields and oval.
4. Investigate sustainable water solutions for reserve
5. New enclosed (fencing) synthetic cricket training nets / multi use facility (4 pitches + 1 public use pitch= 5 in total) to be located with a north south orientation on the west side of the 2nd oval
6. Open space for warm up spaces, casual use and events
7. Provide formalised parking for 200 cars on the western side of the reserve. Scope to include some parking around the eastern side of the second oval and the remainder in the carpark located between the soccer fields and second oval
8. Consider traffic management/ safety improvements for the roadway/ parking areas around oval 1
9. Consider central location for playground when it is due for renewal
10. Consider additional car parking and the potential for a CFA training track on the eastern side of the soccer pitches- low priority
11. Investigate an entry to the reserve from Contour Road, primarily servicing the west side, but also considering how it may link to the north eastern side of the reserve
12. Oval 1 improvements including automatic irrigation system, new perimeter fence and extended spoon drain around oval
13. Provide spectator seating for soccer fields
14. Work with equestrian groups to ensure current facilities at Reserve Road/ Contour Road site meet user requirements
15. Undertake a vegetation assessment in order to protect existing significant vegetation and mature native trees. Utilise native plant species to define the boundaries of the precinct and maintain



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### 3. Financial and Implementation Plan

This Plan is one of many recreation plans across the municipality and represents only a small section of Council's total asset groups.

Ongoing ownership, monitoring and delivery of individual reserve master plan recommendations will require a planned approach from tenant clubs, Council and partnering stakeholders.

Each master plan recommendation has been nominated a suggested stakeholder(s) responsible for the initiation, planning and funding (or co-funding) of individual reserve recommendations. Suggested stakeholder responsibilities are to be used as a guide only and may be subject to change. All projects where Council is listed in the 'Stakeholder responsibility' column will be referred to Council's Long-Term Infrastructure Plan.

The priority of projects has been determined on a Shire wide basis by asset class utilising the 'Facility Prioritisation Assessment Matrix' from the Recreation Strategy as at June 2019.

Estimated costs and scores will be reviewed annually in line with the Council Plan, Council's budget process, funding partner priorities, new opportunities, changes in community demands and continuous improvement principles. The annual budget process allows for public submissions.

In some instances, projects may be delivered out of priority sequence due to external funding opportunities and criteria, site or asset bundling opportunities (e.g delivering related projects together to minimise user disruption or achieve cost efficiency) and budget constraints.

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.

Actions	Stakeholder Responsibility	Score/ Priority	Estimated cost \$
<b>Trafalgar Recreation Precinct</b>			
1. New senior size oval (165m x 135m) with 4-5 turf benches (turf to be maintained by club) and 1 synthetic cricket pitch and training lights	Council/ Club/s/ Funding partners	21	\$1,800,000
2. Refurbishment of existing main pavilion. Scope to meet AFL/ Cricket/ Netball sporting code requirements for female friendly change rooms and amenities for players and umpires, external access toilets and access to social space. Once completed, existing netball and cricket buildings to be demolished	Council/ Club/s/ Funding partners	27	\$1,728,000
3. New multi-use pavilion for western side of reserve to service soccer fields and second oval. Scope to include 6 x female friendly change rooms/ amenities, officials' space, external access toilets, veranda, storage, office, timekeeping box, canteen, and boxing gym. Location to be between soccer fields and oval.	Council/ Club/s/ Funding partners	Design funded 18/19  Construction proposed funding 20/21	Design \$100,000  Construction estimate \$2,800,000
4. Investigate sustainable water solutions for reserve	Council/ Gippsland Water/ Club/s/	26	\$82,700
5. New enclosed (fencing) synthetic cricket training nets/ multi-use facility (4 pitches + 1 public use pitch= 5 in total) to be located with a north south orientation on the west side of the 2nd oval	Council/ Club/ Funding partners	17	\$175,000
6. Open space for warm up spaces, casual use and events	Council	19	TBD
7. Provide formalised parking for 200 cars on the western side of the reserve. Scope to include some parking around the eastern side of the second oval and the remainder in the carpark located between the soccer fields and second oval	Council	21	\$1,000,000

Actions	Stakeholder Responsibility	Score/ Priority	Estimated cost \$
8. Consider traffic management/ safety improvements for the roadway/ parking areas around oval 1	Council	24	\$20,000
9. Consider central location for playground when it is due for renewal	Council	-	-
10. Consider additional car parking and the potential for a CFA training track on the eastern side of the soccer pitches- low priority	Council/ CFA	18	\$355,000
11. Investigate an entry to the reserve from Contour Road, primarily servicing the west side, but also considering how it may link to the north eastern side of the reserve	Council	28	\$15,000 design only
12. Oval 1 improvements including automatic irrigation system, new perimeter fence and extended spoon drain around oval	Council/ Club/s/ Funding partners	26	\$680,000
13. Provide spectator seating for soccer fields	Club/s/ Council	30	\$6,000
14. Work with equestrian groups to ensure current facilities at Reserve Road/ Contour Road site meet user requirements	Council/ Club/s/ Funding partners	TBD	TBD
15. Undertake a vegetation assessment in order to protect existing significant vegetation and mature native trees. Utilise native plant species to define the boundaries of the precinct and maintain landscape character	Council	-	-
		TOTAL	\$8,661,700