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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

This plan of management was adopted by Council on Tuesday 20th October 2009. As a requirement under the NSW Local Government (Land Management) Act of 1993, Local Councils are required to prepare Plans of Management for all Community Land, to ensure it is effectively planned and managed.

Community Land as defined by the Act, may be categorised as:

- Sportsgrounds
- Parks
- Natural Areas
- Areas of Cultural Significance
- General Community Use Areas (including drainage reserves)

Under these classifications, Jones Park, Merrylands is categorised as a 'Sportsground'. A Sportsground is defined as an area used or proposed to be used primarily for active recreation involving organised sports or the playing of outdoor games.

Categorisation of the park within the terms of Local Government regulations assists Council to formulate objectives for the long-term management of this open space resource.

The core objectives for management of community land categorised as Sportsground as identified by the Local Government Act are:

- (a) Encourage, promote, and facilitate recreational pursuits in the community involving organised and informal sporting activities and games;
- (b) Ensure such activities are managed having regard to any adverse impact on nearby residences.

The key objective of this Plan of Management (POM) is to guide future management and development of Jones Park within the legislative requirements of the Local Government Act, taking account of community expectations and the resources available to Holroyd City Council (HCC).

The park has a dual street frontage with entry for pedestrians from Banks, Burnett, Pitt and Landsdowne Streets and vehicular access from Banks and Landsdowne Streets (refer Figure L01).

The park currently provides recreational facilities including:

- Soccer/ cricket/ Rugby League fields (3)
- Cricket nets(2)
- Croquet lawns (2)
- Children's playground
- Community Halls (3)
- Amenities building(2) with toilets, change room & canteen

The park also provides amenity for passive recreation with attractive surrounding landscaped areas. The facilities attract key organised user groups. It is important to ensure that future development and management of the Park effectively responds to community expectations and requirements of both these organised groups and the general public.



Jones Park - Figure L01

Legend

- Chainwire fence
- Post and rail fence
- Maintenance Gate access
- Shared pedestrian/ cycle path
- Vehicular access
- Pedestrian access
- Pedestrian circulation
- Cycle link
- Concrete dish drain
- Trees canopy
- Park area

- Study area Jones Park
- Residential landuse
- Buildings
- Amenity block
- Carpark
- Croquet lawn
- Cricknet nets
- Shaded seating
- Sports oval
- Playground
- Concrete spectator seating

Fencing

- 1 Playground fence low pink palisade
- 2 Holroyd lawn croquet low black palisade
- 3 Carpark and Halls galvanised cyclone wire fence with 30ter barbed top
- 4 Jones Park Hall high black palisade
- 5 Amenities block fence
- 6 Treated pine post and rail
- 7 Galvanised post and rail
- 8 Shared pedestrian/ cycle path
- 9 Pedestrian path



Specifically this Plan covers land shown in Figure L01 and as listed in Section 1.2 Study Area at a Glance. Relevant property details for the park are listed under Council’s asset register database (TAMS). In addition this plan covers any other areas of Community Land acquired and developed by Council as part of this park during the period in which this POM is applicable.

1.2 Study area at a glance

The table following summarises existing features and management of the study area.

| Item | Description |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Site Name: | Jones Park |
| Address: | 31 Pitt Street, Merrylands – also adjoining Lansdowne Street, Banks Street, and Burnett Street |
| Ownership: | Community land owned by Holroyd City Council |
| Cmty land categorisation | Sportsground |
| Care, control, management: | Holroyd City Council |
| Area: | 53,832m2 |
| Zoning: | 6 (a) Open Space |
| Condition: | General park condition is good |
| Maintenance: | Holroyd City Council: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • grass mowing • maintenance of grass areas and tree planting • general maintenance, repairs and garbage removal • play equipment inspection and repairs • maintenance of fencing • maintenance of floodlighting • maintenance of irrigation • maintenance of all buildings • erection and removal of goal posts • covering and uncovering of cricket pitches Line marking is undertaken by sporting clubs |
| Assets: | Community Hall, Band Hall and Meeting Hall with toilets/storage, 3 playing fields, croquet lawns, 2 cricket nets, floodlighting, a playground, 2 carparks and 2 amenities buildings with toilets & change rooms, spectator building, 3 irrigation tanks, goal posts, and rubbish bin sheds (2), and rubbish bins |
| Condition of Buildings: | 3 community hall buildings and associated amenity blocks are in good condition Amenities block to Field 1 with toilets/change room in fair condition – requires additional storage & referee change room Field 2/3 Spectator shelter and Toilet block and change room building in poor condition – requires updating with increased capacity The cricket practice nets have been recently constructed and are in good condition. The rubbish bin sheds have been recently constructed and are in good condition |
| Existing Uses: | Community meetings and events, Sporting; Soccer, Cricket, Touch Football and Croquet |

| Item | Description |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Leases / licenses / bookings: | N/A |
| Caveats / easements: | N/A |

The three ovals in Jones park are numbered Fields 1, 2 &3 with No.1 being the most western oval.

The western portion of Jones Park incorporates three halls and the croquet lawn /facilities and is referred collectively as the Hall Precinct of Jones Park within this report.

1.3 Objectives of this Plan of Management

Jones Park has been developed by Holroyd City Council primarily for active recreation for associated user groups. The high quality landscape setting and adjoining passive recreational areas means that the park also has a strong local parkland role which complements active recreational use.

This Plan has been prepared to provide a coordinated framework for decision making on enhancement and management of the park and therefore aims to integrate the vision and needs of the community and Council in the park’s future management and development. Whilst needs are expected to continue to focus primarily on sporting activities, improvements would improve the long term quality of the park.

General objectives addressed in this plan include the programs and strategies expressed in HCC’s Management Plan and State of the Environment Report, along with Council Policies, Codes and its Delegated Authority Manual. Direction was also obtained via discussion with Council staff and relevant user groups. In addition to addressing the core objectives for open space management of community lands categorised as “Sportsground”, Council’s specific objectives of this POM are to:

- ensure that Jones Park is conserved for active and passive recreational purposes,
- ensure the park is a visually attractive, safe environment, available and accessible for use by all sectors of the community,
- achieve a consistent and responsible approach to the management and maintenance of the park’s resources,
- provide adequate, equitable, safe and appropriate services for the community that meet reasonable community expectations,
- manage, develop, protect, restore, enhance and conserve the environmental values of the park, to ensure it is sustainable for future generations while being visually attractive and pollution free, and operates with minimum impact on adjoining land holders.

1.4 Community Consultation

The Plan of Management has incorporated two community forums in its development. These have included an initial issues forum and a follow up actions and priorities forum. This draft document was placed on public display for 28 days plus a 14 day ongoing response period (42 days total) in accordance with the Local Government Act. The exhibition allows interested parties an opportunity to comment on the Plan of Management with comments to be considered by Council for inclusion in the final document where appropriate.

2 CONTEXT

2.1 Regional Significance

Covering an area of approximately 5.3 ha, Jones Park is located on Pitt Street, Parramatta and adjoins residential properties to all four street frontages including Burnett Street to the west, Pitt Street to the east, Banks Street to the north and Landsdowne Street west to the south (refer Figure L01).

Jones Park incorporates three ovals which are used primarily for soccer and touch football in winter and summer and cricket in summer. The Park forms an important component of the recreational facilities managed by Holroyd City Council and is an example of a sports oriented park also effectively catering for local passive recreational use.

The details of recreation demand for the Park are discussed in more detail in Section 2.5 of this Plan.

2.2 Cultural and Historical Significance

2.2.1 Aboriginal Heritage

Holroyd was traditionally occupied by people of the Darug Aboriginal Nation. The Darug nation consisted of many clans.

The Cennemegal or Weymaly clan occupied Prospect/Greystanes and the Bidjigal clan occupied Merrylands/Guildford/Villawood/Bankstown. The Bidjigal tribe included the famous warrior Pemulwuy who fought a guerilla war against white settlement from 1797 to 1802.

The Burramattagal clan of Parramatta/Granville were the western Eora clan. Eora land extends from Sydney Harbour to Parramatta.

Holroyd Local Government Area includes many areas of historical importance including Prospect Hill, which was the site of the first Aboriginal – European reconciliation held in 1805.

Like all Aboriginal people, the Darug people did not own the land but belonged to the land. They had a strong connection to the land; respected it and referred to the land as their mother. The Darug people had excellent land management skills which meant they did not have to artificially cultivate crops.

The Aboriginal population for the Sydney region in 1788 has been estimated as being between 5000 and 8000 people, of which about 2000 belonged to the inland Darug people: 1000 between Parramatta and the Blue Mountains and 1000 between what are now Liverpool and Campbelltown. The Darug people were thought to have lived in bands or communities of around 50 members each. Each band retained its own hunting district, and each lived a semi-nomadic lifestyle, regularly changing location within this district.

2.2.2 European Heritage

Merrylands is the largest suburb in Holroyd and contains the central business area of the city. Settlement of the area began in the late 1860's when the then Governor reserved a large section of land for churches and schools. Much of the early part of the suburb of Merrylands was built on this land when subdivision occurred. The most significant development occurred during the post-war years, particularly from the 1950s to the 1970s. The population has increased since the mid 1990s, a result of new dwellings being added to the area.

Jones Park Reserve was gazetted on 24 December 1861 and had been identified as a reserve as part of early settlement of Parramatta. A small weatherboard clad building once stood in the park, originally known as the Engineer's hut. Originally meetings by the Mays Hill Pensioners Association were held in the hut, today they meet in the Progress Hall under the renamed Mays Hill Cemetery Trust. Jones Park Hall was built by the Mays Hill Progress Association as a venue for hire by locals for weddings and parties. The running of the Hall was handed to the Council around the late 1980s following an incident involving a local man who demanded the return of his \$100 deposit (retained for damages and cleaning) from an association volunteer using a shotgun.

The suburb of Mays Hill derives its name from Thomas May who built his home 'Park Lodge' on the hill of his property purchased in 1859 from the first sub divisions of Government House, Parramatta's surrounding lands. The area at the time was predominately planted with citrus orchards. Mays Hill is significant locally as where the first council meeting was held and subsequently became the site of the first Council Chamber.

2.3 Physical Site Factors

2.3.1 Climate

The climate at Jones Park is typical of the western suburbs of Sydney. The months of highest rainfall generally occur from January to June and the area receives an average of 970mm of rain a year. Annual temperatures generally range between 4 and 34 degrees Celsius.

2.3.2 Landform and Drainage

The site was originally a creek, with the western portion about where fields 2 & 3 are situated, having an existing level approximately 2 metres below the level of the road. In the later part of last century the creek was piped and soil levels modified to create level playing fields. Today the site has a gently sloping topography with the natural highpoint along the northern boundary adjacent to Banks Street and the low point is close to the south eastern corner at Pitt Street.

2.3.3 Vegetation

Jones Park consists primarily of maintained grassed fields and planted native tree species (Eucalyptus, and Casuarina sp.) around the western, and south eastern boundaries. No significant remnant natural vegetation occurs within the Park. Some garden beds with simple shrub planting exist surrounding the playground and croquet lawn.

2.3.4 Fauna

Due to the limited extent of indigenous vegetation and maintained grass character of the site, the wildlife habitat of value within Jones Park is generally limited. In addition, the site is essentially isolated and has no physical connection with other areas of remnant indigenous vegetation.

Native tree planting around the perimeter of the park does provide limited habitat for those bird species and fauna that have adapted to the urban environment.

2.3.5 Buildings and Structures

Three community halls are situated in the hall precinct to the western most part of Jones Park and include; the Jones Park Hall, the Band Hall and the Pensioners Hall. A separate storage room and toilet block is also located adjacent the Jones Park Hall and is used by the halls and croquet lawn patrons.

Two amenities buildings are located within the central part of the park to cater specifically for sport related uses. The amenities block located adjacent to Field 1 was recently upgraded, however it still has some outstanding areas requiring long term improvement which include;

- poor pedestrian access around amenities block
- lack of formal path to car park or street
- no separate storage or referees change room
- direct visibility into change rooms from Bank St pathway

It is noted that the building may be replaced in the long term.

The second amenities building is located between Fields 2/3 and is highly utilitarian, being of 'municipal' style architecture. The building is in poor condition and not large enough to cater for the needs of the sporting clubs. Previously some conflicts between teams that share change rooms have occurred. A smaller separate shaded spectator stand sits adjacent the amenities block and is similarly in poor condition. Ideally long term replacement of both buildings with a central building that adequately serves both fields 2/3 concurrently during multiple games and includes storage facilities, toilets and separate referee change rooms should be provided.

A playground catering to under nine year olds is located in the north eastern corner of the park and appears to be well used and maintained in a good condition.

Permanent in-ground sporting facilities include:

- 2 cricket practice nets
- 2 cricket pitches
- Scorers shed (spectator building)
- 3 irrigation water storage tanks
- Croquet lawn with seating and shade shelter
- Goal posts as required

Field lighting was recently upgraded and provides 100Lux strength lighting that adequately accommodates training and club games to all three sporting fields.

The locations of buildings and structures are indicated on Figure L01.

2.4 Visual Character

The overall visual character of Jones Park is generally good and predominately generated by the wide open grass areas surrounded by mature native tree plantings along the boundaries.

Some negative aspects to potentially be addressed through park improvement works include:

- Mixture of different fence types / colours that make up the boundary fences,
- Lack of tree planting along eastern end of Landsdowne Street frontage

- Graffiti on rear walls of hall precinct buildings,
- Lack of formalised pathway and presentation landscape treatment to 90% of Landsdowne Street,
- Dated amenities/ facilities buildings between fields 2/3, and Field 1
- Lack of storage/ referee change rooms to amenities blocks,
- Lack of landscaped and shaded outdoor area to Hall precinct,
- Poor pedestrian amenity and safety to Pitt Street frontage,
- Lack of safety fencing to stop balls hitting vehicles in the central carpark and on cricket straight hits to adjoining streets,
- No cricket sight screens
- Poor quality scorers shed (spectator shed),
- Poor signage particularly at park entries relating to field numbering / closure,

2.5 Current Recreational Usage

Jones Park provides active recreational facilities to regional users. Open for use during the day and evenings, the grounds are used by organised sporting groups, individuals and informal groups for play, relaxation, private training and exercise.

The major groups using the park' s facilities include;

Sports Grounds

Used for soccer, cricket, touch football and rugby;

- Westmead Touch Football Association
- NSW Fire Brigade (for fitness training including touch football)
- Wentworthville Uniting Church Soccer Club
- NSW Churches Football Association.
- Parramatta District Cricket Club
- Croquet Club
- School groups use the fields for Winter and Summer games, plus the practice cricket nets
- Training academies

2.5.1 Soccer usage

- Season runs from March to August (some teams commence pre-season training in February)
- Games held weekly on Tuesday to Thursday night and Saturday / Sunday during the day
- Training on Monday to Friday evenings
- Local community members use the field for their own private training

2.5.2 Touch Football usage

- Monday and Tuesday evenings

2.5.3 Cricket usage

Season runs through summer – only Fields 2 & 3 are used for cricket with usage being largely Saturdays and Sundays. Training purposes and matches in conjunction with the cricket practice nets.

2.5.4 Croquet usage

The Croquet court was established in 1994 in the previously unused south west corner of the park adjacent the hall precinct. Whilst the club has experienced problems with low membership numbers, recently there has been a marked increase. The Jones Park Committee has recommended that council further help promote membership to ensure the club can sustain ongoing income to support itself and pay annual grounds fees.

The croquet facilities in Jones Park are considered very good with the potential to further increase membership possibly by targeting local retirement homes. Previous advertising by the club through banners attached to the front fence on Burnett Street and in local newspapers did not work effectively to increase membership numbers. The poor proximity of public transport to the park has been an issue for croquet and hall hire, although the availability for mini bus parking in the Landsdowne carpark provides a good opportunity to attract local retirement village residents.

Community Halls and Playgrounds

- Band Hall is used by the City of Holroyd Band
- Jones Park Hall and Playground
 - Senior Citizens Group
 - Playgroup
 - Hired for community events
 - Church Groups
- Pensioners Hall
 - Croquet club and
 - Friends Of Mays Hill Cemetery on 3rd Saturday Bi-Monthly (Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec)

2.5.5 Band Hall

The Band Hall is solely used by the City of Holroyd Band for weekly indoor practice sessions.

2.5.6 The Jones Park Hall and Playground

The Jones Park Hall measures 16.2m x 9.4m and is well used by both local groups and for special event hire. Some user groups such as the morning children's playgroup utilize the surrounding outdoor areas within the precinct for play. As such improvements to this area should consider the following;

- Fencing/ gates should be child proof and continuous around the precinct,
- New plant species should be child friendly and selected in line with Australian standards for childcare areas,
- Design improvements to outdoor areas, which cater to a wide range of user groups and ages. eg play friendly loop path system and open grass areas with permanent shade, movable seating and lighting will cater to both playgroup and pensioner needs.

The playground is currently used mainly in conjunction with the hall activities and not seen as important to sporting user groups and local residents. As such, the playground's current location is considered to be well placed and any plan to upgrade or extend the play area should maintain this close proximity to the hall precinct. Some negative aspects of the playground which should be reviewed include;

- proximity to busy Burnett street,
- lack of visibility/ connectivity to sports grounds,
- lack of shade to play equipment and adjacent adult seating.

These items are discussed further in this report in section 3.4 *Provision of Facilities*.

2.5.7 Pensioners Hall

The user groups to this hall regularly utilise the adjacent outdoor areas and have requested they be improved with a shaded seating area and upgraded landscape amenity i.e. pavements, plantings and lighting. Consideration should be given to special needs of this user group such as mobility.

2.6 Planning Considerations

2.6.1 Adjacent Land Use

Jones Park is located in the suburb of Parramatta and is approximately 2km south west of Parramatta CBD and train station. Ollie Webb Reserve sits to its east across from Pitt Street and is approximately 275m west to Freame Park on Rees Street across Burnett Street.

Lansdowne Street to the South and Banks Street to the north of the park are both residential streets with low level traffic. While the suburb has traditionally comprised of detached dwellings on large blocks, the last 20 years has seen a marked increase in 'infill' development (subdivisions of properties or redevelopment into apartments). This has a two fold impact on the park;

- increased number of residential properties front onto the park (previously rear fence of property) and desire improved presentation along street frontages (Lansdowne Street),
- increased number of people using the park for passive recreational purposes, requiring improved facilities such as a walking / jogging loop pathways, improved safety and amenity through landscape setting. Possibly may require larger playground and lighting.

2.6.2 Zoning and Planning Controls

Jones Park is zoned 6(a) Open Space and classified as community land.

The Holroyd LEP identifies the aims of this zoning as to:

- identify land which is currently used or is intended to be used for the purposes of open space or public recreation,
- allocate sufficient open space to serve the present and future recreational needs of residents and visitors,
- enable development associated with, ancillary to or supportive of public recreational use.

Within these areas the following works can be undertaken without development consent:

- landscaping
- gardening
- bushfire hazard reduction
- exempt and complying development within Council's DCP

The following activities are not permitted without development consent (except that Council may construct roads, stormwater drainage, recreation areas, public amenities, parking areas and cycleways in this zoning without obtaining its own consent):

Advertising structures; agriculture; building works; buildings for the purposes of landscaping; caravan parks; change of building use; child care centres; children's playgrounds; community uses; drill grounds; forestry; public baths; public reserves; racecourses; recreation areas and facilities; showgrounds; sportsgrounds; telecommunications facilities; tourist facilities; utility installations; uses or buildings associated with those purposes which are under the care, control and management of the Council.

Purposes other than those listed are prohibited in areas zoned 6(a) Open Space.

2.6.3 Access and Circulation

Vehicular access to the park is via Banks and Lansdowne Streets. "Back of house" access to the Jones Park Hall is available from the western end of Banks street.

Two sealed and gated car parks are located within the park. The main car park bisects the park between Fields 1 & 2 on an area of surveyed road called Franklin Street. It comprises approximately 2,319m² with 70 unmarked spaces and is accessed from Bank street only. Holroyd Council unlocks this car park gate in the morning and relocks it in the evening to discourage night time anti social behaviour such as drug dealing and 'burn outs' on the fields taking place. Club members have keys for access during night training and games. The second sealed car park (600m²) is accessed from Landsdowne Street with approximately 30 spaces including 1 disabled parking bay and services the Hall precinct and croquet lawn located to the western end of Jones Park. The relevant clubs associated with the croquet lawn and hall hold keys to the locked gate regulating vehicle access into this car park at all times. These car parks are also accessed by maintenance and garbage collection crews.

On street parking is available at all times along Banks and Landsdowne Streets. Currently only a small proportion of these streets have parking restrictions during the working week and much of the parking can be taken up by commuters accessing the Parramatta CBD.

No direct driveway access currently exists for ambulances onto fields 1 and 2, ambulances must access via the carpark. A maintenance driveway in poor condition with no signage is located to the Landsdowne street side of Field 3.

A shared pedestrian/cycle access path runs the length of Bank Street on the north side of the park connecting across Pitt Street to Ollie Web Reserve to the east and to Rees Street to Freame Park in the west. Currently pedestrians can access the park arbitrarily along the Banks, Pitt and Landsdowne Street frontages. Access into the western end of the park to the croquet lawn and hall precinct is limited to a single gated entry from Burnett Street.

No formalised path access exists along 90% of the Landsdowne frontage with access only via a grassed verge narrowing into a pinch point from the Hall Precinct carpark entry garden beds along to Burnett Street.

The Pitt street frontage has been identified as a problem area due to poor landscape amenity and a record of poor pedestrian safety.

The issues include;

- poor quality timber fence and entry points,
- utilitarian and constrained pedestrian space,
- low branching / inappropriate tree species to verge,
- no restriction for cricket balls etc entering Pitt Street and other street edges.

2.7 Statutory Requirements

2.7.1 Local Government Amendment (Community Land Management) Act 1998

The Local Government Act provides the legislative framework for a council's day to day operation. The Act emphasises a council's responsibility to actively manage land and to involve the community in developing a strategy for management.

Of particular relevance is the requirement for all council property classified as Community lands to be categorised in accordance with the guidelines for the categorisation listed in the Local Government (General) Regulation (cl.6B-6JA).

For lands categorised as Natural Area, specific planning and management strategies are to be provided. Strategies must reinforce and reflect the core objectives for community land listed in the Local Government Act (s. 36E-N).

2.7.2 Categorisation

The following tables outline the applicable community land categories of sportsground and General Community Use for Jones Park and includes the Guidelines for categorisation as listed in the Local Government (General) Regulation 1999 and core objectives for management of community land as listed in the local Government Act (Community Land Amendment 1998).

| Category | Guidelines for Categorisation | Core Objectives for Community Land Categories |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sportsground | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The land is used or proposed to be used primarily for active recreation involving organised sports or the playing of outdoor games. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage, promote and facilitate recreational pursuits in the community involving organised and informal sporting activities and games. Ensure such activities are managed having regard to any adverse impact on nearby residences |

2.7.3 How this Plan addresses the requirements of the Local Government Act

| Core Objective | Performance Criteria | Means | Assessment |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sportsground | | | |
| Encourage, promote and facilitate recreational pursuits in the community involving organised and informal sporting activities and games | The parks potential to cater for organised sporting use is optimised | Maintain active recreation usage of the park where compatible with physical carrying capacity of park and generally compatible with other park values | Existing organised sporting needs addressed Physical and usage conflicts minimised |
| | The park integrates a passive recreational role for the local community | Enhance extent and quality of non playing field areas catering for passive recreational use | Local resident use of park for passive recreational use is improved |
| Ensure that such activities are managed having regard to any adverse impact on nearby residences | Impacts arising from recreational use of park are minimised and effectively mitigated where unavoidable | Provide alternative commuter parking resources | Daytime parking impacts reduced |
| | | Provide parking restrictions to adjacent Banks and Landsdowne Streets during business hours | |

2.8 Management

Holroyd City Council is entirely responsible for the management of Jones Park. Apart from the standard regulations that apply to the park, groups using the park are generally regulated through the Jones Park Committee. Large groups need to apply to Council in order to hold formal gatherings or organised sports within the park. Coordination between Council and the Jones Park Committee is important to ensure that conflicts between user groups do not eventuate. Management responsibilities are discussed in more detail in Section 4.2.

General park regulations are notified by regulatory signage on site and enforced by Council.

Wet weather procedures are in place whereby Council will inspect the grounds in consultation with the Park Committee to determine their playing condition. If Council decides that use of the ground would be too damaging to its longer term condition and opening the ground would give rise to the potential risk to players, then the fields will be closed (fields closed sign at ground activated). Recorded messages are also uploaded to Council's general information phone line and website.

2.9 Maintenance

Maintenance of Jones Park is the responsibility of Holroyd City Council. Whilst a full analysis of maintenance activities is beyond the scope of the report, the following is a summary of current maintenance activities:

- maintenance of grass areas and tree planting,
- grass cutting throughout the year and during the warmer months when growth occurs,
- general maintenance including garbage removal and repairs as required,
- regular inspection of play equipment and implementation of repairs as required.
- Toilet cleaning
- Erection and dismantling of goal posts
- Covering and uncovering of cricket pitches

The Parks and Gardens Maintenance Crew operate from the maintenance depot and carry out landscape and general maintenance in the park. This crew also services other parks in surrounding areas.

Council's Building Maintenance Crew maintains all structures in the park.

Complaints about the upkeep of the park have been relatively few indicating a user perception that the park is generally well maintained.

The extensive open grass areas that are a feature of the park require a high level of maintenance. In addition, the large numbers of trees in grassed areas along the perimeter of the park are difficult to maintain. Replacement of grass with mulch or low level plantings may be considered in some of these areas in order to reduce ongoing maintenance costs or where maintenance is difficult.

2.10 Current Leasing Agreements

There are currently no lease agreements for any part of Jones Park.

2.11 Staffing

Maintenance of Jones Park is carried out by crews employed by council as identified in Section 2.9.

2.12 Community Involvement

Review and updating of this Plan of Management has incorporated two community workshop sessions with the Parks Committee and major stakeholders for Jones Park. Outcomes of these forums have been integrated within the Plan of Management strategies.

A public hearing / information session aimed at the broader community was also held during the public exhibition period.

Individuals and groups wishing to express opinions or request improvements for inclusion in a future works Parks Program can write to Council at any time.

2.13 Funding

The majority of funding for general maintenance and improvement works at Jones Park comes from rate revenue.

Improvements works are also funded by S94 contributions or grants, supplemented by Park Committee contributions where available.

3 MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES

3.1 Introduction

The primary objective of this Plan of Management (POM) is to provide a framework for the future management of Jones Park. Management of the park must align with Council's vision for the Holroyd Council Area and its objectives for land zoned 6(a) Open Space and other objectives stated in this document.

This Plan provides a basis for the ongoing care and development of Jones Park in response to demand and the availability of funding. Funding will be a major factor determining the timing of implementation of actions identified in the POM.

3.2 Management Philosophy

Council's management philosophy for Jones Park will be aligned with the aims adopted for areas zoned 6(a) "Open Space" as outlined in section 2.6.2, and the objectives listed in section 1.3 of this Report.

This plan addresses the management philosophy for the park by aiming to provide an effective range of facilities to facilitate community passive recreational use in an attractive and sustainable landscape setting.

This philosophy recognises the need for open space to be responsive and adaptable to ongoing and evolving community needs.

3.3 Community Values, Roles & Issues

Community values, roles and issues have guided the development of this Plan of Management. These are identified as:

- A multifunctional parkland addressing a variety of community needs
- A flexible parkland catering for both local and district usage.
- A landscape setting of renewal and ongoing evolution
- A landscape setting that enhances the quality of active and passive recreation and optimises the park's role as an urban open space.

3.4 Provision of Facilities

Playing fields

Field 1/2 - Soccer

Fields 2/3 – Cricket & Touch Football

Recreation Facilities

The recreation facilities provided within Jones Park have been developed in accordance with Council's past planning strategies and objectives to suit the needs of user groups. However, a number of issues need to be considered and addressed in ongoing park management:

- improving the quality of fence treatments to reduce the institutional character of the park compatible with security requirements and thus improve recreational experiences,
- shade tree plantings to improve the visual amenity of the park frontages,
- reinforcement of pedestrian and cycle access,
- upgraded lighting and signage to loop pathways,
- provision of visual amenity to hall precinct courtyard,
- playing surface condition (wet weather usability) to be improved

While the facilities provided at Jones Park have been developed to suit the needs of a range of user groups, a number of issues still need to be addressed in ongoing improvement of the park, including:

- the need to provide a formalised courtyard area within the hall precinct which caters for a wide range of ages and varied user groups,
- installation of continuous footpaths to perimeter of Landsdowne Street,
- provision of seating with shade, associated with the sporting fields,
- additional informal shaded sitting areas surrounding the sports fields for passive recreational purposes,
- shade associated with the children's playground,
- formal universal pedestrian access around amenities block,
- formal universal path access to car park /street to seating/ amenities block.

Croquet Lawn

Croquet facilities are suitable for competition purposes typified by multiple lawns and consolidated amenities. The Croquet club has previously experienced a fall in numbers and subsequently funding has been affected. Recent community promotion of facility has resulted in an increase in use. The lawn is seen as a positive aspect of the park by the parks committee and community. Croquet usage is discussed further in section 2.5.4 of this report.

Children's Playground

The existing children's playground is located in the north-western corner of Jones Park and faces onto both Burnett and Banks Streets. The playground was constructed in 1999 to cater for the under 9 age group and is well used in conjunction with activities associated with the halls such as playgroup. The configuration of the playground in the park is such that it is only accessed directly from Banks street or the Hall Precinct via a locked gate and is visually separated from sports fields to the east by a 1.8m high Photinia sp. hedge. The playground offers no shelter for children or accompanying adults.

Given the northerly aspect of the playground and user age group, permanent shade should be incorporated into the playground as a high priority. Other aspects such as improving connectivity to the hall precinct and visibility to sporting fields should be developed as funding permits. Future consideration should also be given to improving the playground experience through playscape landscaping to surrounding areas.

3.5 Access and Circulation

The Plan aims to address the need for convenient and safe access and circulation throughout the park by identifying objectives and by proposing solutions to key access issues.

The main access route is formed by the public verge footpath currently running adjacent to the perimeter of Banks, Pitt and Burnett Street frontages including a shared cycle access to the north along Bank Street. The western portion of Landsdowne Street terminates into a grassed verge and does not include a formalised path system.

In order to enhance access to all facilities additional paths may be considered. These should be evaluated against their potential to impact visual character and passive recreational amenity in the park. As such the key strategies would include:

- continued concrete path access along Landsdowne Street to form continuous loop pathway system to the perimeter of Jones park,
- Path access to amenity blocks and formal seating areas from adjacent carpark and street entry points,
- Loop path access for child's play should be retained/ enhanced as part of any future courtyard works to the Hall Precinct,
- Manage parking more effectively to park edges if required.

3.6 Health & Safety Issues

The park environment is generally well maintained and as a consequence health and safety issues identified at Jones Park are limited. Those items needing to be addressed include:

- the need for shade trees and the provision of shade over the play facility,
- the need for shaded seating adjacent to the play facility and near playing fields,
- the need for enhanced lighting along the perimeter loop path access route,
- improved visibility and sight lines for pedestrians to eastern frontage along Pitt Street,
- improved way finding signage including field identification numbers.

Owing to the general lack of shade, priority should be given to providing additional shade planting similar to the vegetation already growing in the park.

Where native tree canopy is the dominant tree character such as at Pitt Street frontage, the need to ensure that there are winter seating areas with solar access is important. Deciduous planting may also be appropriate but species selection should be considered carefully (refer Section 3.8).

3.7 Maintenance

In general there is user satisfaction with the standard of maintenance at Jones Park. However there are a number of maintenance issues that should be addressed, including:

- the need to reduce the extent of difficult to maintain areas,
- Investigation into more appropriate vandal resistant rubbish facilities,
- adequate recycling bins to allow waste types to be separated at the source,
- removal of graffiti from buildings, signage and water tanks.

Irrigation

Jones Park currently has three irrigation tanks which are filled from the Sydney Water mains. The potential for collection and storage of roof water from buildings for irrigation purposes to supplement or replace the existing town water supply should be investigated during any future upgrade works.

Ease of Maintenance

In order to reduce maintenance levels associated with lawn mowing, it is proposed to progressively replace grass with mulch/ native grass planting around boundary tree planting areas. Mulch should be topped up on a regular basis to ensure it continues to suppress weed regrowth with potential for establishment of native grass groundcover.

Litter

At present there is a problem with litter maintenance associated with vandalism of the garbage bins (regularly set on fire) located at the southern end of the Banks Street carpark. The construction of bin enclosures is hoped to largely address this issue. Sports users have identified a game day need for further bins around the playing fields.

Recycling

As part of Holroyd Council's commitment to recycling it is recommended that special bins for both aluminium cans and glass bottles be supplied near the central Landsdowne Street entrance next to the Banks Street carpark and also alongside the Hall Precinct service entrance located in the north west corner of the park.

3.8 Landscape Improvement

3.8.1 Introduction

Council sets aside funds annually for park landscape improvements, street tree planting and also for the supply of trees to ratepayers, schools, community groups and Local Committees upon request. These works are carried out as required and as funds permit.

Tree planting may be used to address a number of issues associated with poor physical and visual amenity.

Planting should take into consideration:

- areas particularly near buildings where shade is required in summer and sun penetration in winter,
- visual buffering of poor views such as the hall precinct 'back of house' should be integrated with built form improvements in this area,
- landscape enhancement of passive recreation to provide grassed areas with groups of shade trees to provide an open woodland character,

- playing fields should be broken in expanse by groves of trees at corners and between fields having regard for impacts on flood lighting and potential shading of turf areas
- planting along existing / new paths,
- landscape development associated with the pedestrian pathway system should aim to create a consistent element that threads through the park to unify the varying character of different areas and facilities,
- landscape treatment of facilities such as the children's playscape to within the hall precinct should aim to create distinctive visual character to Jones Park.

Any trees removed in the construction of the proposed building works should be replaced with appropriate species elsewhere on site, according to the considerations above.

Other landscape strategies not relating to planting include:

- refurbishment and upgrading of existing chain wire fences to reduce visual impact on park character
- mitigation of high rainfall impacts to playing fields

Detailed design of landscape treatments through out the park should be carried out as required and as funding permits, to integrate all design elements in a coordinated scheme.

3.8.2 Recommended Species

Planting strategies aim to perform the functions listed by using predominantly native species, supplemented by exotic species that are known to perform well on the Cumberland Plain and are able to provide shade for persons using facilities through out the park.

A number of issues related to planting have been identified at Jones Park, including desirability of additional tree canopy but also sufficient planting to ensure security levels are maintained for adjoining properties.

Design must consider the anticipated shade expected to be provided by these trees as they reach maturity as a basis for planning of additional shade tree planting.

Informal tree planting would be desirable around the perimeters of both sports fields to allow spectators to view sporting events without being exposed to direct sunlight.

The location of trees will need to ensure that shade does not affect the growth of turf or the ovals or interfere with lighting. Possible problems associated with falling tree leaves also needs to be addressed in the selection and placement of tree planting. Trees planted for this purpose should be at least six metres in height and protected with tree guards.

Provision of adequate water supply to allow tree watering during establishment and extended dry intervals is essential for the survival and growth of shade trees.

3.9 Planning Issues

Adjoining Land Use

The character of surrounding urban and residential areas is not expected to change significantly over time. However, increasing replacement of detached dwellings in the local area with higher density housing will result in an increased population in the area and greater demand for sporting and open space amenities.

Council should monitor issues related to the extensive residential interface to the park's surrounding streets. In addition to the desirable unification of fence treatments, landscape planting, and upgrading of amenities, the extent of local park passive recreational use and its flow on effect of creating a safer environment through passive surveillance needs to be encouraged.

In accordance with existing legislative requirements, owners of land adjoining the park will need to be consulted before any major works are undertaken. Through close liaison with Council issues affecting adjoining land users can be quickly and effectively addressed.

4 IMPLEMENTATION

4.1 Introduction

While the existing management structure of Jones Park has been effective in the care and control of this important open space resource, future management decisions will need to be addressed in the context of this Plan of Management. Implementation of the Jones Park Plan will be an ongoing process in response to community expectations, user requirements, the availability of funding and other circumstances as they arise.

4.2 Management Structure

As the management and development of Jones Park involves the cooperation of several major user groups, it is essential to have a clear definition of management responsibilities as well as the involvement of a range of people with the necessary management skills and experience.

These groups and their respective responsibilities are summarised below. It should be noted that some of the responsibilities described below represent current management practices.

Holroyd City Council

- Core responsibility for development and management of Jones Park,
- Budget allocation for development and maintenance of Jones Park,
- Allocation of resources (financial, human and physical) for effective development of the park,
- Assessment of applications for development of commercial recreation facilities,
- Maintenance of landscape works and passive recreation facilities in the park,
- Maintenance of Playing Fields and associated facilities,
- Identifying sources of funding.

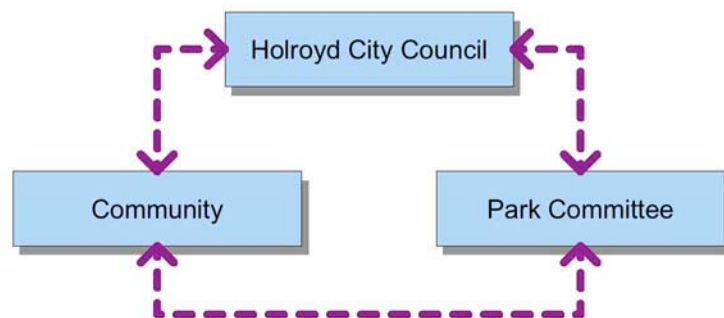
Jones Park Committee

- Seeking opinions, expectations and needs of community in relation to the park,
- Providing advice to Council on the requirements of the community as well as those of relevant authorities and organisations,
- Contributing to improvements where possible and appropriate,
- Management of the playing field and its associated facilities,
- Co-ordination of all user groups,
- Management of hiring of all the facilities – Halls booked through HCC,
- Reporting vandalism and misuse of the park to Council and proposing actions to prevent these,
- Presentation of requests and proposals to Council for development or upgrading of facilities in the park.

The Community

- Liaison with Council regarding use of the park,
- Presentation of requests and proposals to Council for development or upgrading of facilities in the park.

It is proposed that these three groups will work together to deal with park management issues as they arise. The relationship between these groups is illustrated in the following diagram.



4.3 Funding

The timing for implementation of this Plan will be directly dependent on the availability of funding. Such funding is required to cover capital expenditure as well as recurrent costs for repairs and maintenance. In allocating funds to the park, HCC needs to consider such expenditure within the context of its overall annual budget limits and priorities.

Holroyd Council provides funding for regular maintenance of the park in its annual budget. Council’s annual budget allocation is aimed at achieving a satisfactory level of maintenance and facility provision in all Community Land areas.

Funding for Jones Park should reflect its importance as a sporting venue and passive recreation destination.

Council has obtained grant funding that has allowed staged development of the park and facilities. While additional grant funding is likely to be available in future, the timing of this source of funding is difficult to predict. Section 94 funding may become a source of funding for the future, with the development of adjoining residential communities.

4.4 Priorities

In order to provide a framework within which to commence implementation of the Plan of Management a prioritised schedule of actions has been prepared. Prioritisation of works assists Council in allocating the financial, human and physical resources required for implementation of the Plan.

The following list of criteria has been used as a guideline when determining the priority rating for each action:

H - High Priority (Short-term)

- safety issues where there is high probability of injury occurring
- work needed to ensure the essential function of the park is not compromised
- work needed to eliminate/reduce severe environmental problems, eg. erosion, water pollution, etc, (eg. in line with the requirements of the Environmental Protection Act and Soil Conservation Act, EPA Act etc).

M - Moderate Priority (Medium-term)

- ongoing preventative and remedial maintenance of existing park assets,
- work needed to ameliorate adverse environmental conditions, (eg. insufficient shade, visual and noise intrusion, poor circulation and access),
- works aimed at reducing ongoing maintenance costs.

L - Low Priority (Long-term)

- works aimed at improving the aesthetic quality of the park,
- works aimed at enhancing habitat value.

The above criteria may require modification over time in response to special circumstances as well as changing community attitudes and expectations.

Implementation Schedule

The following schedule lists each proposed management action, giving it a priority rating as determined from criteria above. Each activity is also listed against a performance indicator and its current status is noted.

The status rating is as follows:

O - Ongoing - this denotes activities that take place as part of the normal maintenance routine of the park.

P - Proposed - these activities have been proposed by the Plan of Management, but work on these activities has not been commenced.

Co - Commenced - this refers to proposed activities for which work has already begun.

Cp - Complete - this refers to activities that have been completed (their performance indicators have been fulfilled) since the last Plan of Management Review.

Index for Symbols

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The following schedule should be reviewed annually for the purpose of scheduling works for inclusion in Council's annual works program, as well as for monitoring of performance indicators.

| No. | ACTIVITY | PRIORITY | RESPONSIBILITY | PERFORMANCE INDICATOR | STATUS |
|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| 0.0 | Planning & Management | | | | |
| | Generally | | | | |
| 0.1 | Design path extensions to best link in a universally accessible manner the Lansdowne Street frontage | H | HCC | Universal access provided | P |
| 0.2 | Provide improved landscape amenity for passive recreational pursuits to encourage user groups to utilise park outside sporting and organised event times, to increase passive surveillance, and deter anti social behaviour | M | HCC | Increased usage Decreased reports of security issues | P |
| 0.3 | Promote increased usage of croquet lawn and potential partnerships between Croquet Club and nearby nursing homes (equipment and tutelage) | H | HCC | Increased usage | P |
| 1.0 | Landscape Improvements | | | | |
| 1.1 | Presentation landscape tree planting to park frontages including potential native grass understorey | M | HCC | Plantings provided for improved park amenity | P |
| 1.2 | Shade planting around sports fields, playground and to park perimeter path access | M | HCC | Plantings provided for improved shade amenity | P |
| 1.3 | Amenity planting around hall precinct and amenities buildings | H | HCC | Plantings provided for improved hall precinct amenity | P |
| 1.4 | Review potential for providing a consistent hierarchical theme to fences across the park – allowing for pedestrian and vehicular entry | M | HCC | Implementation of fencing Entry and access points adequately catered for | P |
| 1.5 | Upgrade character of Lansdowne Street frontage -tree planting -tree/shade planting to fields -path link -signage | M | HCC | Plantings provided for improved park amenity | P |

| No. | ACTIVITY | PRIORITY | RESPONSIBILITY | PERFORMANCE INDICATOR | STATUS |
|------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| 1.6 | Upgrade courtyard to hall precinct providing -paving -soft landscaping (using child friendly species) - shade amenity | H | HCC | Improvement works implemented | P |
| 2.0 | Access & Circulation | | | | |
| 2.1 | Connect perimeter pedestrian path access to Landsdowne Street for passive looped walking jogging recreation | H | HCC | Effective Access provided | P |
| 2.2 | Provide improved access and visibility to playground | M | HCC | Increased usage through improved connectivity | P |
| 2.3 | Provide universal path access to between carparks/ street entry point and amenities blocks | H | HCC | Effective Access provided | P |
| 2.4 | Upgrade existing park signage | H | HCC | Signage upgrade works implemented | P |
| 2.5 | Provide improved function of entry to Landsdowne Street carpark | M | HCC | Improved vehicular access to carpark | P |
| 2.6 | Improve pedestrian safety to Pitt street frontage through control / thinning of tree canopy, & adequate lighting Remove existing seating due to poor use and isolation | H | HCC | Improved security monitored | P |
| 2.7 | Provide direct ambulance access from the central carpark to fields on either side (driveway kerb crossings) | H | HCC | Effective access provided | P |
| 2.8 | Manage parking to Banks and Landsdowne street frontages | L | HCC | All day commuter parking alleviated | P |
| 2.9 | Review opportunities to improve alignment of fence to Croquet Lawn | M | HCC | Safe pedestrian movement allowed & fence protected | P |
| 3.0 | Site Facilities | | | | |
| 3.1 | Upgrading of children's playground - passive surveillance -connection to hall precinct - playscape value | M | HCC | Improved passive security, connectivity to hall precinct and increased usage | P |

| No. | ACTIVITY | PRIORITY | RESPONSIBILITY | PERFORMANCE INDICATOR | STATUS |
|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| 3.2 | New consolidated amenities toilet block to location between fields 2 and 3 and cater for both fields concurrently -two sets of home and away change rooms -separate referee room -scoreboard Remove existing "Dugout" | H | HCC | New building constructed | P |
| 3.3 | Provide new field 1 amenities block to match fields 2/3 facilities including canteen | H | HCC | New facilities provided | P |
| 3.4 | Rationalise where possible and replace chain wire fencing surrounding hall precinct with palisade type | M | HCC | Upgrading of fences provided | P |
| 3.5 | Upgrade field identity signage | M | | Signage provided | P |
| 3.6 | Extend / complete concrete swale / path to base of embankment to field 1 to control drainage and provide for drainage | H | HCC | Drainage swale constructed | P |
| 3.7 | Provide additional protective fencing (or raise existing) to carpark adjacent fields 2/3, and to cater for straight hits to cricket wickets on street frontages | H | HCC | Effective fencing provided vandalism reduced | P |
| 3.8 | Provide additional water tank facilities to fields 2 & 3 proposed amenities building | M | HCC | Adequate water storage provided for required irrigation purposes | O |
| 3.9 | Upgrade to locked bin receptacle and improved access for garbage trucks | M | HCC | Effective upgrading of bins Improved security | C |
| 3.10 | Remove cricket scoring shed once new amenities have been implemented | L | HCC | Cricket usage effectively catered for | P |
| 3.11 | Trial bin provision at strategic locations (not in enclosures) | H | HCC | Rubbish effectively catered for and bins maintained | P |
| 3.12 | Public toilet facility provision to be reviewed – potentially as a stand alone building or as part of the new field 2/3 amenities building | M | HCC | Toilet is designed to maximise legitimate usage and minimise anti-social behaviour | P |
| 4.0 | Maintenance | | | | |
| 4.1 | Preventative maintenance | M | HCC | Park adequately maintained | O |

| No. | ACTIVITY | PRIORITY | RESPONSIBILITY | PERFORMANCE INDICATOR | STATUS |
|------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| 4.2 | Remedial maintenance | M | HCC | Park adequately maintained | O |
| 4.3 | Sustainable maintenance costs | M | HCC | Maintenance costs monitored | O |

4.5 Staffing

The current level of staffing at Jones Park is adequate to maintain an acceptable quality of landscape and recreational opportunities during non-peak periods. However, during peak periods additional staff may be required to address problems associated with weed proliferation and general turf wear. In addition maintenance capacity will need to be reassessed if new facilities are provided.

4.6 Commercial Development Opportunities

Holroyd City Council has no current plans for development of commercial facilities within Jones Park. Holroyd Council is not currently considering any applications by private or community organisations to develop commercial facilities in Jones Park.

4.7 Leases and Licences

What are leases, licences and other estates?

The Local Government Act, 1993 allows Council to grant leases, licences and other estates over all or part of community land. Leases and licences are a method of formalising the use of land and facilities. Leases and licences can be held by groups such as community organisations and schools, and by commercial organisations or individuals providing facilities and/or services for profit.

A lease will be typically required where exclusive use or control of part of Jones Park is desirable for effective management to meet community needs. A lease may also be required due to the scale of investment in facilities, the necessity for security measures, or where the relationship between a major user and facilities in the park justifies such security of tenure.

Licences allow multiple and non-exclusive use of an area. A licence may be required where intermittent or short-term use or control of all or part of the park is proposed. A number of licences for different users can apply to the same area at the same time, provided there is no conflict of interest.

The definition of "estate", under Section 21 of the Interpretation Act, 1987, includes other rights over land, such as easements, including "interest, charge, right, title, claim, demand, lien and encumbrance, whether at law or in equity".

Existing leases, licences and other estates

There are currently no existing leases, licences and other estates in operation at Jones Park.

Authorisation of future leases, licences and other estates

To comply with the Local Government, 1993, this Plan of Management must clearly specify the leases, licences and other estates that are authorised on community land within Jones Park. Occupation of community land by leases, licences and other estates that apply to the park are set out in Sections 46, 46A, 47, 47A, 47C and 47D of the Local Government Act, 1993.

Council may also consider leases or licences for uses that are compatible with the recreational and residential values of the park. Operation of such uses must be on the condition that fees / profits gained contribute to park maintenance and enhancement.

These and any other applications for granting of lease or license or for conducting of a temporary activity on site not addressed expressly by this plan must be assessed by Council in accordance with the Local Government Act.

Generally leasing or licensing other than that addressed will require revision and re-exhibition of this Plan of Management

4.8 Plan of Management

As noted in Section 4.4, priority works will be considered by Council each year for budgeting and setting of implementation targets as well as for consideration of other works as needed or determined.

In addition to this annual assessment, reviews of the Plan will be carried out when necessary to up date the plan to reflect any changing circumstances and community needs.