

3.2. Capital Works Program update

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PURPOSE:

To update the Reference Group on capital works projects that were scheduled to be completed within the last financial year 2020/21 as well as planned projects for 2021/22

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report presents an update on capital works projects that were scheduled to be completed within the last financial year 2020/21 as well as planned projects for 2021/22

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Funding for these projects is included in the adopted 2020/21 and 2021/22 capital works budgets.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the report be received.

LINK TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The relationship with the Community Strategic Plan is as follows:

1. Our Living Environment

1.4 Public open space and recreation facilities and services meet community needs

BACKGROUND

As part of Councils delivery plan the following Sport and Recreation projects were scheduled to be completed through the 2020/21 financial year

- St Leonard's Park Masterplan – Stage 2 Tunks Way
- Grasmere Reserve Playground Upgrade
- Hodgson Lookout Upgrade
- Kurraba Reserve
- Smoothey Park

As part of Councils delivery plan the following Sport and Recreation projects are scheduled to be undertaken through the 2021/22 financial year

- St Leonard's Park Masterplan
 - Stage 3 Southern Lawn
 - Playground Upgrade
- Coal Loader
 - Irrigation System replacement
 - Pop up Bar
 - Tunnel #2 resurfacing
 - Shade system
- Anderson Park Plan of Management Implementation – Sportsfield and Exercise Equipment projects
- Merret Playground Upgrade
- Hayes Street Wharf Amenities Upgrade
- Small Watercraft storage/Access
 - Primrose Park
 - Playground Upgrade
- Green Park Tennis Court Refurbishment

CONSULTATION REQUIREMENTS

Community engagement will be undertaken in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Protocol.

DETAIL

The sustainability implications are of a minor nature and did not warrant a detailed assessment.

Projects Allocated in the 2020/21 Financial Year

St Leonard's Park Masterplan – Stage 2 – Tunks Way

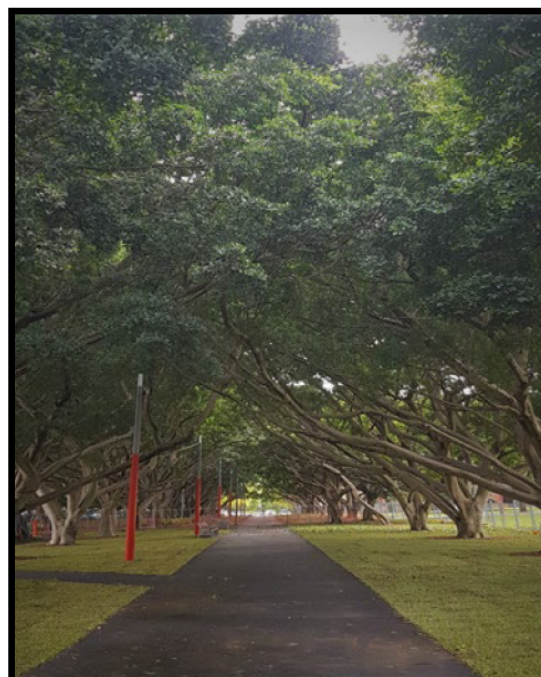
The much-anticipated stage two of St Leonards Park Master Plan Tunks Way footpath through St Leonards Park is now open to the public after numerous improvements, including widening of the walkway to three metres.

New upgraded lighting has been positioned from the middle of the footpath to the side of the pathway, providing better lighting for users of the park, allowing an unobscured view and creating a very grand feel to Tunks Way.

Light pruning of the Fig trees in the northern half of Tunks Way has allowed filtered light for improved grass and plant growth yet still maintaining the sense of tranquillity and protection from the canopy above.

More seating has been provided in many locations along the pathway and new low level gardens have been planted to help soften the appearance of the North Sydney Oval wall.

The field gun will be moved to a more prominent location on the northern end of Tunks Way.



Grasmere Reserve Playground Upgrade -- A budget of \$150,000 has been provided by the Federal Government for this project of which is currently under construction.

Hodgson Lookout Upgrade - A budget of \$250,000 is allocated to this project of which is

project of which is currently under construction.

Kurraba Reserve Entry Road– A budget of \$110,000 was allocated to this project of which has recently been completed. It has provided essential access and landscape upgrade works to Kurraba Reserve which included:

- demolition of existing bitumen road,
- installation of sandstone retaining walls and blocks, and
- construction of new access road.

Following the installation of the hardscape elements, NSC’s gardeners installed suitable planting to complement the project.

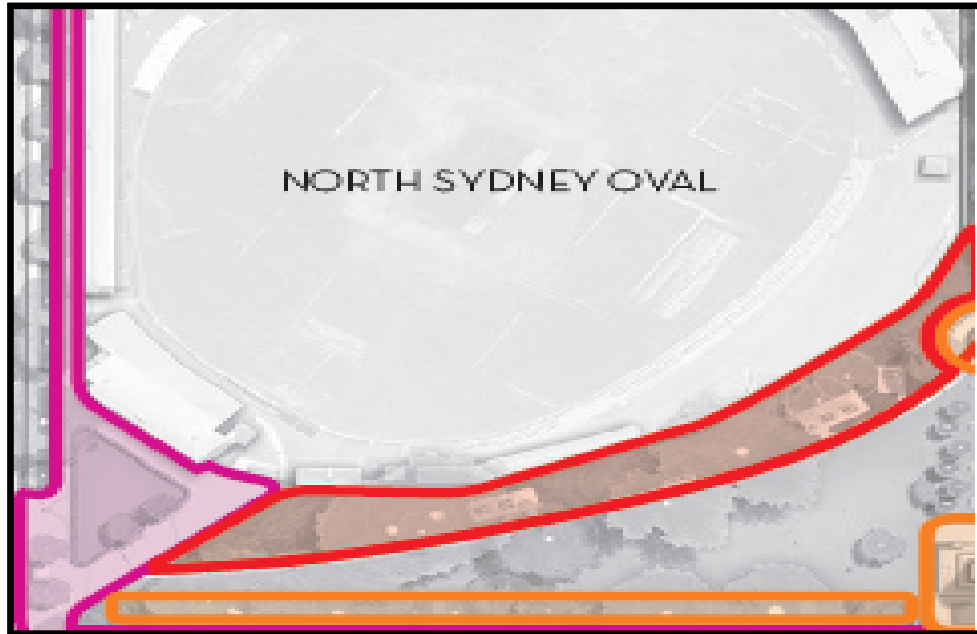


Smoothie Park – A budget of \$300,000 is allocated to this project of which is due to start construction next month. The majority of the works will be centred around Pathway & Access Improvements within the Park. It will also improve the current mismatched furniture, signage, fencing and lighting. Upgrading and consolidating these elements into a single suite that is in keeping with Council’s Public Domain Style Manual and Design Codes.

Projects Allocated in the 2021/22 Financial Year

St Leonard’s Park Masterplan

- **Stage 3 Southern Lawn** - The area of works is located to the South and Southwest of North Sydney Oval. The snippet below gives an indication of the area that the works will occur



Works will include the realignment of the asphalt pathway, new upgraded lighting, more seating and new low level gardens similar to what has been done in stage 2

At present the final design and tender documentation is well underway. Once the tender process has been completed it is expected that construction will commence in early 2022

- **Playground Upgrade** – Council has been awarded \$700,000 of grant funding to undertake an upgrade of the St Leonards Park Playground in line with the Masterplan. Whilst it will not be as elaborate as what was originally proposed it will be the most expensive playground upgrade ever conducted within North Sydney. There is a large amount of preliminary works required for this project including surveys, design and public consultation before construction can begin in May of 2022

Coal Loader

- **Irrigation System replacement** – This work will see the replacement of the existing Drip Irrigation within the turf area and the Western Planter Beds. The turf area will have a pop up sprinkler system installed and the western planters will have an upgraded drip system and renewed planting
- **Pop up Bar Space**- \$290,000.00 has been allocated to this project. Once initial designs are completed, construction is tentatively scheduled to take place in March 22
- **Tunnel #2 resurfacing** – The surface of the main public tunnel will be resurfaced to remove any potential hazards that are currently identified. \$100,000.00 has been allocated to this project
- **Shade system** – \$200,000.00 has been allocated to this project will include erecting shade sail cloth on selected sections of the colonnade to provide shade on the platform

Anderson Park Plan of Management Implementation – Council has been awarded grant funding of \$782,000.00 through the Greater City Sport Facility Fund 2020/21. Further detail will be provided in the separate report.

Merret Playground Upgrade - An allocation of \$260,000.00 has been provided for this project. After competition of a design, public consultation and tendering the installation is expected to start in March 2022

Hayes Street Wharf Amenities Upgrade – Council has negotiated with Transport for NSW to make the toilet facility currently located on Hayes Street (close to the Ferry Wharf) available to the public. Council has allocated \$130,000.00 of funding to upgrade these toilets, so they are suitable for public use. It is expected that construction on this project will commence in early 2022.

Small Watercraft storage/Access - \$130,000.00 has been allocated to the below projects

- **Primrose Park** – There are 2 locations within the bushland area of Primrose Park where improved access and storage will be constructed
- **Cremorne Reserve** - There is the potential for 1 or 2 locations along the water's edge of Cremorne Point where improved access and storage will be constructed

Primrose Park Tennis Court Refurbishment - The Primrose Park Tennis Courts Refurbishment project will primarily be funded through the \$2.1 million Federal Government grant from the Local Road and Community Infrastructure Program. Council will cover any other costs, as necessary.

The project is expected to be complete in six to nine months. Once complete, the upgraded facility will include four new tennis courts with synthetic grass and line markings, new court lighting, a new 'hit-up' practice wall, and new equipment including nets, fencing and seating. There will also be new change facilities, a tennis shop, a new communal BBQ area, and a small children's playground. Artists impression of the completed facility below



The Primrose Park Tennis Court Operator has been granted use of the Green Park tennis courts during the period in which the Primrose Park tennis courts will be refurbished. This temporary use arrangement is to be through a formal lease and has specific operation times. This will enable the general public times to use the courts as well.

Council awarded the tender for the works at Primrose Park Tennis Courts on 26 April 2021 and commenced construction on 21 June 2021. Photos of site construction below

