

PLAN OF MANAGEMENT FOR COMMUNITY LANDS

(Part 2, Division 2 of the
Local Government Act, 1993)

ESPLANADE PARK Fairlight



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Environmental Services Division

1. DESCRIPTION

1.1 Title, Area, Ownership

Title: Asset Management Nos. 34, 101, 109

Lot 1, DP 569379, King Street

Lot 4, DP 949689, Lauderdale Avenue

Lot 2, DP 525068, Esplanade Park near Margaret Street

Area: No. 34 120.5m² No. 101 113.8m²
No. 109 2.3m²

Owner: Manly Council

1.2 Landform, Vegetation, Use

These areas of community land provide access primarily to the Esplanade Park along the northern foreshores of North Harbour from King Avenue to Margaret Street. Landform is mostly flat following the contours of the foreshore.

1.3 Links to Other Areas and Adjacent Land

The community land provides an important element in the open space pedestrian system linking the foreshore open space with surrounding residential development.

Adjacent land is primarily the residential development and the foreshore.

1.4 Reserve History

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1.5 Available Plans

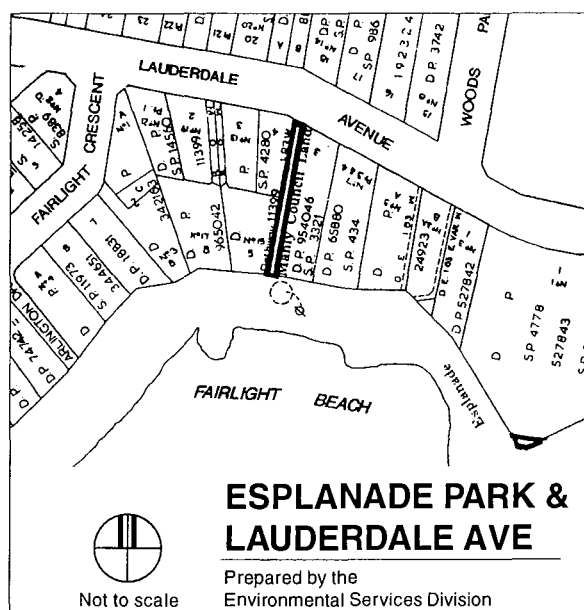
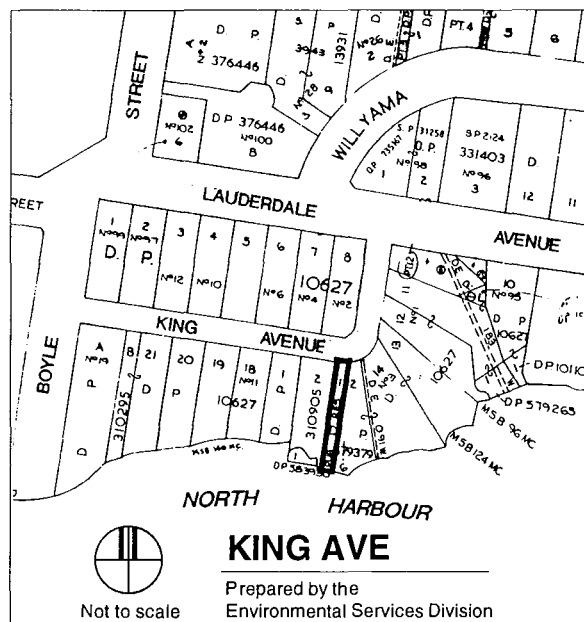
Not applicable

1.6 Leases

None

1.7 Council File References

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2. CONTEXT

2.1 Classification under the Local Government Act, 1993

Lot 1, DP 569379 King Street, and Lot 4, DP 949689 Lauderdale Avenue are classified as operational. These areas are subject to reclassification as community land.

Lot 2, DP 525068 Esplanade park is classified as Community Land and is categorised as Natural Area Foreshore.

2.2 Other Legislation

- Manly Local Environmental Plan 1988
- Zoning: Open Space. Listed as foreshore scenic protection area
- SEPP 19 - Bushland in Urban Areas. Refers to the degraded bushland at the western end of the Reserve.
- Esplanade Park is an item of environmental heritage.

2.3 Reports and Studies

- Landscape Study, 1977
- Recreation Study, 1978.

3. STATEMENT OF FUNCTION AND VALUE

3.1 Values and Function of the Land

The Community Land is primarily of local and district significance providing a linkage from the residential area to the harbour foreshores. The land provides an effective pedestrian thoroughfare to the foreshore of Fairlight Beach and is a valuable part of Manly's foreshore open space system.

VALUE AND FUNCTION	SIGNIFICANCE						
	Local	District	Regional	Metropolitan	State	National	International
Natural	■	■					
Visual	■	■					
Social							
Recreational	■	■					
Cultural							
Educational							
Future Generational	■	■					
Heritage							

Values and function of the land

Esplanade Park
Fairlight

4. MANAGEMENT

4.1 Means of Achieving Objectives:

4.2 Issues for the Master plan

Issues, Concerns, Opportunities

1. Need for signposting of the accessways.
Response: Address this issue in the Master plan.
2. Consider future action on the maintenance and planting of the accessways.
Response: Address this issue in the detailed Master plan.

3**OBJECTIVE**

Integrate local drainage needs into park design and bushland management.

MEANS OF ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVE

1. The preparation of the Master plan should include consultation on neighbourhood drainage requirements and design proposals where appropriate.
2. Utilize contemporary skills in the design of multi-function drainage areas eg. sediment detention basins.
3. Ensure all drainage designs address: bushland maintenance; erosion; siltation and pollution controls; flooding issues; penetration for water table improvement and compatibility with recreational and aesthetic interests.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

1. Drainage issues included in the preparation of the Master plan.
2. The drainage designs reflect current knowledge on drainage issues.
3. Drainage issues are addressed in park design and bushland management; and reviewed in relevant reviews of environmental factors.

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OBJECTIVE

To manage all open space land in a flexible manner and ensure that local needs are met.

MEANS OF ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVE

1. Liaise with the local neighbourhood when assessing future facilities for reserves to determine needs which may include play areas, dog areas, toilets, picnic and barbeque area and space for ball games.
2. Include identified needs in the Master plan.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

1. Liaison with local groups undertaken during the planning process.
- 2.1 Identified needs if assessed for compatibility, demand and availability of resources.
- 2.2 Appropriate facilities included in the Master plan.

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OBJECTIVE

Provide a major open space connection between harbour and ocean foreshores, creek and lagoon edge, and the national parks.

MEANS OF ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVE

1. Provide appropriate paths and signage in each applicable reserve.
2. Identify the walkway route in each applicable Master plan as one particular function for that reserve.
3. Work to bring private land on the harbour foreshores into the connection, either by public ownership or other agreement.
4. Liaise with National Parks and Wildlife Service to obtain connections into national park lands.
5. Publish a guide to the circuit walkway once the connections are substantially in place.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

1. Paths and signage installed as required.
2. Publicise linkages.
3. Master plans include walkway function and location.
 - 3.1 Continue negotiation with private land holders.
 - 3.2 Land brought into public use within a reasonable time preferably for inclusion in Project 2000.
4. Connections with national park lands obtained within reasonable time by the Year 2000.
5. A guide published and distributed.

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OBJECTIVE

To encourage local participation in design, development and management.

MEANS OF ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVE

1. Continue liaison with local Precinct Committees and other groups prior to undertaking works in reserves other than day to day maintenance.
2. Continue where appropriate to hold on site gatherings with neighbours and other relevant groups or individuals as part of any exercise to plan the future form and use of a reserve.
3. Continue with joint Council and community maintenance and improvement teams like the C-Scheme for particular reserves and projects.
4. Consider inviting neighbourhood groups or individuals to be directly involved in ongoing planning and management of reserves.
5. Publish guides and educational pamphlets to Council's reserves and the activities available therein, possible topics being harbourside access, botanic gardens walk, circuit linear park and North Head Walk.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

1. Evidence of liaison undertaken to the satisfaction of local groups without undue delay and inefficiency for Council programmes.
2. On-site meetings held where appropriate.
3. Joint Council and community works teams continued and expanded.
4. Confirm efforts to invite neighbourhood groups or individuals to directly participate in on-going planning and maintenance of reserves.
5. Guides and educational pamphlets published providing information on Council's reserves.

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Provide for user health, safety and enjoyment.

MEANS OF ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVE

1. Determine any necessary control on undesirable activities.
2. Determine any necessary control on dogs within reserves. Dog toilet areas provided if necessary.
- 3.1 Production of competent designs for reserves prior to major works being undertaken.
- 3.2 Inclusion of local neighbourhood and user groups in future design and management of reserves.
4. Regular assessment of maintenance needs to ensure minimum public safety risk from the facilities.
5. Consider the provision of additional activities where permitted and consistent with other objectives in order to increase recreational opportunities.
6. Make facilities and access to reserves generally suitable for those with mobility impairments.
7. Ensure that leases and licences include adequate provisions to minimise public risk as well as insurance cover.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

1. Undesirable activities controlled.
 - 2.1 Park users not threatened by dogs.
 - 2.2 No scattered dog excrement within reserves.
- 3.1 Greater public use of reserves and reduced vandalism.
- 3.2 Local community needs are being met when consideration is given to this objective.
4. Minimum accidents from use of facilities.
5. Additional activities provided after consideration.
6. Facilities and access to reserves generally suitable for those with mobility impairments.
7. Leases and licences include adequate provision to minimise public risk as well as insurance cover.

