

8. Landscape Concept Plan

A Landscape Concept Plan, Figure One, was developed in conjunction with this Plan of Management. The Landscape Concept Plan was discussed at community meetings and amendments to the Plan as discussed at the community meetings have been incorporated. The Plan responds to the values expressed by the community, the magnificent viewing potential of the site, and the indigenous bush theme.

The Landscape Concept Plan required a unique design which:

- Applies the principles of ecologically sustainable development and reflects the physical, natural, social and cultural context of the areas;
- Integrates the remaining bushland into the design;
- Restores and revegetates the disturbed, degraded and barren areas;
- Incorporates features that reflect the historical occupation and reconciliation with indigenous people;
- Has minimum whole of life maintenance costs, including vegetation maintenance, watering, cleaning and vulnerability to vandalism;
- Has minimum adverse impact on the local bushland;
- Requires minimum movement of materials on or off site;
- Maximises use of existing resources of the site; and
- Protects the water quality of South Creek during construction.

Works within the Plan have been separated into two stages in accordance with priorities for works and available funding. Stage one works are to be funded partly by the Section 94 funds, whilst the remaining stage one and stage two works will have to compete against other Council projects for the additional funds.

The first stage of works includes construction of trails to link the two areas of open space (Red Hill Park and Golden Grove Park), restoration of the Red Hill area, boardwalks over South Creek and along the Golden Grove Valley Trail, and bushland regeneration. Stage two works will include the implementation of the environmental art design in the form of landscaped mounds and associated bushland regeneration and interpretation, development of viewing platforms and rationalisation of vehicle access and parking.

8.1 Scope of works

Following is a list of works to be completed during each stage of the Landscape Concept Plan. Section 94 funds were collected during the Landcom subdivision development, these funds are to go towards stage one of the development.

Table 4: Stage One and Stage Two Works as per the Landscape Concept Plan.

	Stage 1	Stage 2
Red Hill	Trails - mulch surface - crushed sandstone	Land art/environmental art elements
	Drainage works	Viewing deck and stairs
	Restore existing trail - rip, fill & regenerate	Interpretation Signage
	Earthworks - cut to fill	Planting patterning to “Land art”
	Bush regeneration (7,920m2)	
	Picnic tables, benches, etc.	
	Car park (25-30 cars) – terraced with dry stone walls	
	Dryland grass	
	Preliminaries	
Golden Grove	Trails - mulch surface - crushed sandstone	Picnic tables & playground elements
	Bush regeneration	Interpretation signage
	Drainage allowance	Reynolds Crescent bridge
	Main bridge	
	Preliminaries, etc.	