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PLAN OF MANAGEMENT FOR APPIN PARK, APPIN

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PUBLIC EXHIBITION AND INVITATION TO MAKE SUBMISSIONS ON DRAFT PLANS

Public Consultation

This draft plan has been prepared to meet the core objectives for the management of community land pursuant to Section 36 of the Local Government Act 1993.

The Council adopted the draft plant at its meeting on 19 July 2004.

The Council is now seeking submissions in relation to this draft plan. All submissions will be considered before the plan is adopted in its final form.

Public Exhibition of Draft Plans of Management

The draft plans of management may be inspected at the Council's Offices, 62-64 Menangle Street, Picton, between 8.00am and 4.00pm, Mondays to Fridays (public holidays excepted) from **Tuesday 3 August 2004 until Friday 3 September 2004**.

Invitation to Make Submissions on any or all of the Draft Plans of Management

Any person may make a written submission in relation to any or all of the draft plans of management. Submissions will be received until 4.00pm on **Friday 17 September 2004**. Any written submission may become a public document.

Enquiries may be directed to Mrs Kath McKay, Planning Coordinator Recreation and Buildings, on phone 4677 1104.

PART 1 INTRODUCTION

Local Government Act 1991

Council is required in terms of Section 36 of the Local Government Act 1993 to prepare plans of management for its community lands.

Please refer to Attached Schedule for information relating to the preparation of plans of management.

Other Considerations

In preparing these plans, Council has endeavoured to ensure compatibility with a range of other plans and policies previously adopted by the Council, including:

- The State of Wollondilly Report incorporating Council's Social Plan.
- Wollondilly Vision 2025 (Visions for the separate communities and the Shire as a whole.)
- Local Environmental Plan 1991.
- "Supporting Communities" Plan for Community and Recreation Facilities for Wollondilly by 2010.
- Wollondilly Section 94 Contributions Plan.
- Stormwater Management Plans (Upper Georges River, Upper Nepean River and Wollondilly District).
- Stonequarry Creek Floodplain Management Plan.
- Strategic Management of Council's Assets Policy.

Should any specific item provided for in a community land plan of management be incompatible with existing plans or policies, then the provisions of those previously adopted plans and policies shall generally have precedence.

Please refer to the attached schedule for information relating to the Wollondilly Vision 2025.

Proposed Future Management of the Land

The plan outline strategies for the ongoing management of the land detailing Council's expectations in relation to matters such as general condition and useability, suitability for all people regardless of physical ability, health and safety concerns, environmental concerns and cost effectiveness.

Council will continue to seek ways and means of improving its management of land for the benefit of the public at large. It proposes to develop a comprehensive asset management program and to continue to develop its asset maintenance program to achieve a high level of service at an affordable and sustainable cost.

Council's focus in these plans is to:

- Improve accessibility for people of all ages and levels of ability.
- Upgrade and improve existing facilities rather than build new facilities.
- Improve the standard of amenities provided.
- Improve the level of service provided.

- Address health and safety issues.
- Address environmental issues.
- Provide cost effective services.

Proposed Future Development

The plan is generally conservative, providing in most instances for relatively further minor development. This is because of the high cost of new development and the desire to maintain the open space values of the land. There is of course always room for improvement and the plans provide for future improvements and upgrading existing improvements subject to need and subject to the availability of funding.

Council will consider the provision of new facilities in the future to meet the needs of the expanding communities (significant growth is anticipated over the next 20 years). This will also be considered in the Section 94 Contributions Plan when reviewed and also in each year's Five Year Asset Development Plan.

PART 2 – PROPERTY DETAILS

1. LAND SUBJECT TO THIS PLAN

This Plan of Management applies specifically to Appin Park, Appin.

Appin Park comprises two parcels of land in different land ownership, although both parcels are under the control of the Council.

1. Lot 20 DP 23717
Zoning: 6(a) Open Space
Location: Appin Road, Appin
Owner: Wollondilly Shire Council

2. Lot 7001 DP 92836
Zoning: 6(a) Open Space
Location: Bounded by Appin Road and Market Streets, Appin
Crown Reserve – Public Recreation Reserve

The Council owned portion is classified as community land and is subject to the Local Government Act 1993.

The balance is a Crown Reserve (R 61301) managed by the Council as the Appin Public Recreation Reserve Trust.

While a Crown Reserve is not community land pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 and there is no requirement for Council to undertake a Plan of Management for the Crown land portion, Council considers it appropriate to prepare this plan as if both areas were community land to provide for consistent management of the land.

Council has prepared this draft plan of management/management strategy plan to provide the basis for the future management of the reserve and to provide specifically for the construction of new facilities on the land and the upgrading or replacement of existing facilities as considered desirable.

This plan applies specifically to Appin Park. A locality plan is shown in Figure 1 below:

Figure 1



2. DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND AT THE TIME OF PREPARATION OF THE PLAN

The land is generally level or near level.

Lot 20, which contains a number of mature trees, has been partially developed for mainly passive recreation such as picnics.

Lot 7001 has been partly developed as a sportsground with outdoor sports courts, a grassed, irrigated oval and a clubroom/canteen building. Approximately half of the land has not been developed except for the erection of a dog off-leash enclosure. This land contains a number of large mature trees which, while not mapped as Cumberland Plain Vegetation, are in many cases species associated with Shale Sandstone Transitional Forest.

The land is in the Appin Mine Subsidence District and pre-mining inspection reports have been provided assessing the condition of buildings and other infrastructure before new mining areas are developed.

The town water supply is connected to this land. Waste water is currently treated in a septic tank system pending a reticulated sewerage service in the village.

3. LAND STATUS AND OWNERSHIP

Lot 20 DP 23717 is Council owned freehold land classified as “community” land in terms of section 27 and clause 6 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 1993.

Lot 7001 DP 92836 is Crown Reserve land and is not classified as community land pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993. The Department of Lands (Crown Lands NSW) has advised that while there is no requirement to undertake a Plan of Management for the Crown Reserve unless directed to do so by the Minister of Lands, the Crown has no objections to the inclusion of Lot 7001 in the plan for the balance of the park. The plan as it affects Lot 7001 could be considered to be management strategy plan or similar and will not be formally adopted under the Crown Lands Act 1989.

4. LAND CLASSIFICATION

Lot 20 DP 23717 is classified as “community” land in terms of Section 27 and clause 6 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 1993.

Lot 7001 DP 92836 is Crown Reserve.

5. CURRENT MANAGEMENT REGIME

Council currently directly manages the land and the facilities.

6. CONDITION OF THE LAND AND STRUCTURES ON ADOPTION OF THE PLAN

The oval is generally in good order with good grass cover suitable for the limited use for active sports (currently only used for occasional rugby union or soccer games).

Facilities on the land include:

- Sports Courts (asphalt) – one in better condition than the second.
- Change room/Kiosk – small brick building with verandah. Interior needs to be upgraded. Exterior woodwork requires maintenance. Attached toilets at rear of building with “accessible” facilities that require further modification.
- Toilets (Male and Female) – Older style stand alone toilet blocks in poor condition. They do not meet current accessibility standards.
- Oval – good turf cover.
- New fence (erected March 2004).
- Sight screens in need of repair and repainting.
- Picnic settings – older style with limited shelter.
- Park seating – limited.
- Barbecues – solid fuel type unsuitable for use in this area.
- Enclosed dog exercise area – good condition.
- Town Clock in a courtyard garden entrance area at the corner of Appin Road and Market Street. Clock and bollards are in a good condition. The courtyard garden requires upgrading.

7. LAYOUT OF EXISTING FACILITIES

Attached as **Appendix 1** is a plan showing the layout of the facilities at the time of adoption of the plan.

8. USE OF THE LAND AND STRUCTURES AT THE DATE OF ADOPTION OF THE PLAN

The oval is used for the playing of a range of sports and games, principally rugby union and soccer. The land surrounding the oval is used also as the venue for the Appin Markets which are currently held once a month.

The sports courts are currently used only infrequently on an informal basis.

The dog off leash area is used as a dog exercise area.

The park appears to be used principally as a travellers rest area and as public open space, ie as a visual amenity rather than for community based passive recreation.

PART 3– MANAGEMENT ISSUES

1. COUNCIL’S STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

To create opportunities in partnership with the community. To enhance the quality of life and the environment, by managing growth and providing services and facilities of the highest quality.

2. WOLLONDILLY VISION 2025

Derived from community workshops held in February and March 2003 Council adopted " A Vision for Wollondilly 2025" incorporating nine separate visions covering all aspects of the Shire’s future having regard to the lifestyle needs of the residents through to the uniqueness of the rural countryside and the various towns and villages.

The Vision provides Council with a framework to develop new strategies and policies and to guide the organisation so that it can effectively play its vital role in the delivery of the Vision.

Visions 1 and 7 are particularly relevant for the management of community lands and Crown Reserves under the care and control of the Council.

Please refer to the attached Schedule for details of the Visions and Vision Strategies that particularly affect Council managed land.

3. RECREATION DEMAND AND OPPORTUNITIES

A preliminary pre-publication Summary Report on the Western Sydney Regional Recreation Demand and Opportunities Study has identified, among other things, that the following issues affect the acquisition and/or development of future recreational assets.

Demand for Informal Use of Parks

Note: Refer to Key Vision Strategy 7.1

Demand for Access to Water (Visual and Physical)

Note: Refer to Key Vision Strategy 7.8

Demand for Interaction with Nature

Note: Refer to Key Vision Strategy 7.2

Connections and Travel on Trails and Routes

Note: Refer to Key Vision Strategies 7.4 and 7.7.

4. OTHER EXPRESSED DEMANDS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Targeting Youth

Note: Refer to Key Vision Strategy 7.5

Targeting People with a Disability

Note: Refer to Key Vision Strategy 7.1

Targeting People from Non English Speaking Backgrounds

Note: Refer to Key Vision Strategy 7.1

Cultural and Civic Spaces

Note: Refer to Key Vision Strategy 7.5

Demand for Sports Facilities

“Existing facilities should where necessary be upgraded and demand managed through greater use of mid week competitions and multi purpose use of grounds between seasons and sports types.”

Note: Refer to Key Vision Strategy 7.5

5. SUCCESS FACTORS

Council has identified a number of factors, which contribute towards the success of public places. The first four key qualities affect particularly the users of the place; the fifth factor, value for money, affects both users and providers.

- Access and Linkages
- Comfort and Image
- Uses and Activities
- Sociability
- Value for Money

Please refer to the attached Schedule for further information about the key success factors identified.

PART 4 – MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES

1. LAND “CATEGORISATION”

Council is required to categorise the land according to its use type and to manage it so as to achieve the core objectives for the land categories.

The Act provides guidelines for choosing the category or categories to be applied. A parcel may be categorised as one or more separate categories according to its use and the characteristics of the land.

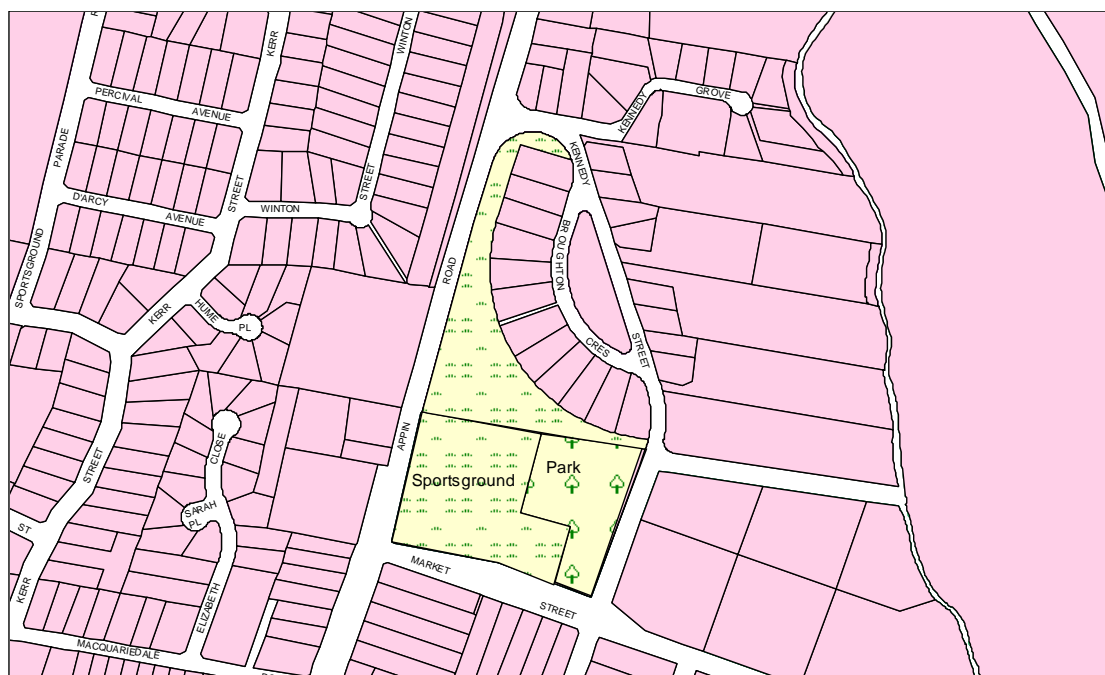
Please refer to the attached Schedule for the guidelines for categorisation of community land according to its proposed use and land characteristics.

Council proposes to manage Appin Park as part “sportsground ” and part “park”.

Plan Showing Proposed Land “Categories”

The land in this plan is to be “categorised” as part “sports ground” and part “park” as shown in Figure 2 below.

Figure 2



2. MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES

1. CORE OBJECTIVES FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF COMMUNITY LAND

The Local Government Act prescribes “core objectives” for managing community land according to its category. These core objectives help councils to focus on the essential aspects of each area of land and to determine key performance targets.

Council proposes to manage the various parts of the reserve according to the Local Government Act core objectives and Council’s other objectives.

Sportsground

Objectives

1. to encourage promote and facilitate recreational pursuits in the community involving organised and informal sporting activities and games;
2. to ensure that such activities are managed having regard to any adverse impact on nearby residences.

Park

Objectives

- (a) to encourage, promote and facilitate recreational, cultural, social and educational pastimes and activities; and
- (b) to provide for passive recreational activities or pastimes and for the casual playing of games; and
- (c) to improve the land in such a way as to promote and facilitate its use to achieve the other core objectives for its management.

2. PRINCIPLES OF CROWN RESERVE MANAGEMENT

Where the land is **Crown Reserve** managed and controlled by a council, the management strategy needs to be in accordance with the principles for land management under the Crown Lands Act 1989, namely:

- a) that environmental protection principles be observed in relation to the management and administration of Crown land;
- b) that the natural resources of Crown land (including water, soil, flora, fauna and scenic quality) be conserved wherever possible;
- c) that public use and enjoyment of appropriate Crown land be encouraged;
- d) that, where appropriate, multiple use of Crown land be encouraged;

- e) that, where appropriate, Crown land should be used and managed in such a way that both the land and its resources are sustained in perpetuity; and
- f) that Crown land be occupied, used, sold, leased, licensed or otherwise dealt with in the best interests of the State consistent with the above principles.

3. COUNCIL'S OTHER OBJECTIVES

- 1. Public Safety and Risk Management
- 2. Bushfire Hazard Management
- 3. Traffic Management
- 4. Economically sustainable development
- 5. Community development – building social capital

3. THREATENED SPECIES LAW

Part of the land (shown as “Veg “1 in *Figure 1*) has been identified as containing remnants of Shale Sandstone Transition Forest (Low Sandstone Influence). Shale Sandstone Transition Forest has been scheduled as an endangered ecological community under the Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995.

The dominant tree species are *E. (Eucalyptus) fibrosa* (Broad-leaved Ironbark), *E. creba* (Narrow-leaved Ironbark), *E. molluccana* (Grey Box) and *E. tereticornis* (Forest Red Gum) The land has been developed in past years for recreational use and there is estimated to be considerably less than 10% crown cover and no understorey. The Council is of the view that the remnant bush on this part of the land is not significant enough to warrant categorisation of part of the land as “bushland”.

While this plan does not provide for the categorisation of the land as “bushland”, it recognises that Council and the community place great value on these trees because they contribute significantly to the amenity landscape values of the park and indeed of the main commercial heart of Appin Village. Council will protect the existing remnant stands in the park in accordance with its Wollondilly Tree Preservation Order 1991 and any succeeding Development Control Plan.

Although Council proposes minor development of part of the “park” land, it will endeavour to retain all existing trees unless they are considered to be a hazard to users of the land or their removal is considered essential to accommodate the proposed new toilet block.

4. FUTURE USE OF THE LAND

The Council proposes to continue to use this land as a sports ground and as a park.

It anticipates that the land will become a focal point for community activity such as outdoor gatherings and market days, and it supports the use of the land for such purposes subject to development consent being granted if required and the payment of appropriate fees and charges if applicable.

It intends to continue to provide for active sports by continuing to maintain the tennis/basketball court and the sports oval. Council will allow the oval to be used for a range of sporting activities or public events, subject to the oval being booked for

and provided that the proposed use will not damage the turf or in ground infrastructure.

Council reserves the right to charge for the use of its sportsgrounds and associated facilities. Charges will be in accordance with the Council's Schedule of Fees and Charges as amended from time to time.

5. FUTURE USE AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE LAND

1. Schedule of Permitted Uses and Permitted Development

Attached as **Appendix 2** is a schedule in terms of Section 36(3A)(b) specifying the purposes for which the land and any existing buildings or improvements will be permitted to be used, the purposes for which any further development of the land will be permitted whether under lease or licence or otherwise and the scale and intensity of any such permitted use or intensity.

2. Management Strategies and Performance Measures

Council has prepared strategies to enable it to effectively manage this reserve, and has established some means of measuring its performance. The strategy plan is attached as **Appendix 3**.

3. Master Plan

Attached as **Appendix 4** is an indicative master plan for the reserve. Detailed design work has yet to be undertaken; this may result in some adjustments to the final layout plan but will not be considered as grounds for amending or reviewing the plan.

4. Development Plan

Attached as **Appendix 5** is a proposed development plan, which outlines proposed future development. As all future capital expenditure must be able to be justified in terms of the Strategic Management of Council's Assets Policy and is subject detailed design and to the availability of funding, Council is unable to provide more than an indicative time frame or a "rough order" estimate of costs for these proposed future works.

6. LEASES LICENCES AND OTHER ESTATES

1. Authorisation

The Plan expressly authorises the lease or licensing of all or part of the land and buildings or the granting of any other estate over the land subject to the provisions of sections 45 and 46 of the Local Government Act 1993 (community land portion) or subject to the leasing provisions of the Crown Lands Act 1989 (Crown land portion). Any lease or licence of the Crown Land portion is subject to the consent of the Council as Manager of the Reserve Trust and subject also to the consent of the Minister responsible for the administration of the Crown Lands Act 1989.

Applications for a lease, licence or grant of an estate will be considered on their merit.

Any lease or licence would need to be for the purpose of meeting the core objectives for the land and the principles of Crown reserve management.

2. Tendering for Leases Licences and Other Estates

A lease or licence for a term exceeding 5 years may be granted only by tender in accordance with Division 1 of Part 3 of the Act unless it is granted to a non-profit organisation. The Council may however apply a tender process in respect of the grant of any particular licence or estate over the land.

7. APPROVALS FOR WORKS ON THE LAND

1. Wollondilly Local Environment Plan 1991

The land is zoned Zone 6(a) Open Space "A" (Recreation).

Any development on the land must be in accordance with the objectives and permitted works applying to that zone.

2. Activities Requiring Council Approval (Section 68, Part D, Local Government Act 1993)

This plan provides that the following activities on the land will be permitted only with the prior approval of the Council in writing:

- Engage in a trade or business.
- Direct or procure a theatrical, musical or other entertainment for the public.
- Construct a temporary enclosure for the purpose of entertainment.
- For fee or reward, play a musical instrument or sing.
- Set up, operate or use a loudspeaker or sound amplifying device.
- Deliver a public address or hold a religious service or public meeting.

Note: the erection of an advertising sign is considered to be engaging in a trade or business.

3. Advertising and Signage

The erection or display of advertising and signage within New South Wales is subject to State Environmental Policy No 64 – Advertising and Signage.

- (1) This Policy applies to all signage:
 - (a) that, under another environmental planning instrument that applies to the signage, can be displayed with or without development consent; and
 - (b) is visible from any public place or public reserve, except as provided by this Policy.

Note:

Public place and public reserve are defined in section 4 (1) of the Act to have the same meanings as in the Local Government Act 1993.

- (2) This Policy does not apply to signage that, or the display of which, is exempt development under an environmental planning instrument that applies to it.

4. Gaming Machines Act 2001

Section 44 of this Act prohibits the display of gambling related signs:

- (1) A hotelier or registered club must not display or cause to be displayed any gambling-related sign:
 - (a) anywhere outside or in the vicinity of the hotel or club; or
 - (b) anywhere inside the hotel or club so that it can be seen from outside the hotel or club.

Council will not permit gambling related signs to be erected on its community lands or other lands under its control.

5. Prohibited Activities

This plan prohibits the following activities on the land:

- Camping (with or without a tent, caravan or vehicle).
- Driving of vehicles unless within a designated traffic areas (except reserves maintenance or emergency services vehicles or to take sports equipment to and from the oval).
- Riding trail bikes or other vehicles or riding of horses unless in a part of the sportsground where such activities are specifically provided for.
- Lighting of fires unless in a purpose built barbecue facility or approved fireplace provided on site specifically for the purpose.
- Carrying or discharge of firearms other than sports pistols or rifles used in association with recognised and supervised sporting events for which the Council has given specific consent.
- Cutting down or removal of any tree, shrub or other plant material by other than an authorised person.
- Dogs are not generally permitted off leash except in off leash areas (if provided) or at such times as Council may specify by notice erected on the

land. Dogs will generally be permitted on leash where the person in control of the dog has a means of removing that dog's faeces and safely disposing of them in an approved container.

- Dogs are not permitted in or around children's' play areas (whether on or off a leash).
- Flying model aircraft, unless in an organised event for which specific Council approval has been granted or at such times as Council may specify by notice erected on the land.
- Playing of golf.
- Any activity that interferes with the public's use and enjoyment of the premises (including littering, breaking glass, writing graffiti on structures or intentionally damaging the grounds or structures).
- The sale or consumption of alcohol or soft drink in glass bottles.
- Any activity that is contrary to a notice erected by the Council (Section 632 Local Government Act 1993).

Appendix 1 – Layout of Existing Facilities

Appendix 2 – Permitted Uses and Development (subject to development consent if required).

Purposes for which the land and any existing buildings or improvements will be permitted to be used.(Sec 36(3A)(b)(i))	Purposes for which any further development of the land will be permitted whether under lease or licence or otherwise.(Sec 36 (3A)(b)(ii))	The scale and intensity of any such permitted use or development. (Sec 36(3A)(b)(iii))
PARK		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Passive recreational activities • Community open space • Picnics including group picnics or social gatherings • Weddings • Fairs and markets • Car parks and access • Shared pathways • Public toilets • Rest areas • Heritage information signs • Bushfire hazard reduction works. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public facilities as required from time to time to meet the needs of the community • Community Centre /public building • Picnic shelters and other park furniture, amenity lighting, fencing, • New toilet facility and Installation of services including sewerage or septic tanks • Storage facilities associated with use of the land. • Car parking and access • Shared pathways • Signage, including new heritage information sign Children’s playground 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As required and in keeping with the scale of the Park. • Small – not to impact on open space values. • Low impact development. • “Heritage” design and scaled to meet local needs. • As an extension of the club room building if required. • Low impact and not so large as to impact adversely on open space values. • As shown on landscape plan. • Standard Council signs. Heritage sign to be in keeping with heritage theme. • Small playground suited to younger children.
SPORTSGROUND		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organised and informal sports and games. • Public events, festivals and gatherings • Market days and filming projects • Carnivals (sport and other) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New sports equipment or facilities • Sportsground lighting • Seating • Shared pathways • Installation of services including sewerage or septic tanks. • Car parking and access • Extensions or alterations to club house/kiosk or replacement with new public building. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council will not permit development to compromise the land’s open space values. • Not to intrude onto adjoining properties. • Low impact park style seating. • As shown on landscape plan. • As required to support service delivery. • Smaller landscaped car parking areas. • Not so large as to jeopardise the open space values of the land.

Appendix 3 – Management Strategies & Performance Measures

Key Vision Strategies & Management Objectives	Proposed Practical Steps to be Taken (subject to funding)	Success Factors (universal values)	Performance Measures
PARK			
Encourage, promote and facilitate recreational pursuits in the community. S7.1 Develop appropriate, well designed, accessible open spaces uses in town centres.	1(a) Upgrade the park by providing new community facilities, defining traffic and car parking areas and improving the general standard of maintenance.	Sociability, Access and Linkages, Uses and Activities Comfort and Image	1(a) Council's customer satisfaction surveys indicate increased customer satisfaction and use.
	1(b) Provide suitable directional signage within the township.		1(b) Suitable directional signage is installed and maintained
	1(c) Provide universal park information signs.		1(c) Universal information signs are installed.
	1(d) Provide tactile signs on some facilities, such as toilets and marker posts.		1(d) Tactile signs installed as appropriate.
S 7.5 Provide needed recreation and cultural facilities, activities and events and major park upgrades).	2(a) Provide new accessible public toilets in a style sympathetic to Appin's "heritage town" theme.	Sociability, Access and Linkages, Uses and Activities, Comfort and Image, Value for Money	2(a) New toilets constructed and old toilet blocks demolished.
Provide for passive recreational activities or pastimes and for the casual playing of games and improve the land in such a way as to promote and facilitate its use.	2(b) Provide a small playground for children.		2(b) Playground constructed.

Key Vision Strategies & Management Objectives	Proposed Practical Steps to be Taken (subject to funding)	Success Factors (universal values)	Performance Measures
	2(c) Provide accessible picnic shelters.		2(c) Accessible picnic shelters provided.
	2(d) Provide adequate security/amenity lighting around the park.		2(d) Facilities and pathways are well lit.
	2(e) Provide for a new heritage interpretation and information sign with seating.		2(e) Heritage sign installed.
	2(f) Provide for a bandstand rotunda in a style that is sympathetic to Appin's "heritage town" theme.		2(f) Bandstand rotunda constructed.
	2(g) Provide for additional planting of predominantly local native shrubs and perennials.		2(g) Additional garden areas provided.
	2(g) Consider options for future day to day management of all or part the land by community organisations such as a committee of management or licensee.		2(g) Management options reviewed.

Key Vision Strategies & Management Objectives	Proposed Practical Steps to be Taken (subject to funding)	Success Factors (universal values)	Performance Measures
SPORTSGROUND			
S 7.5 Provide needed recreation and cultural facilities, activities and events (including youth facilities, riparian reserve/picnic facility enhancements, cultural venues and major park upgrades).	3(a) Periodically review in terms of the Strategic Management of Council's Assets Policy the facilities provided to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the community.	Sociability, Uses and Activities	3(a) A system is established to enable reviews to be conducted cost effectively.
Encourage, promote and facilitate recreational pursuits in the community involving organised and informal sporting activities and games.	3(b) Encourage clubs and other organisations to provide and manage recreational facilities and activities on the land.		3(b) Increase in number of facilities or activities provided and/or managed by clubs and other organisations.
	3(c) Upgrade sportsground facilities and maintenance standards,		3(c) Annual surveys indicate increased satisfaction with provision and level of service.
	3(d) Develop management regimes which will improve the ability of the sports field to stand up to increased use.		3(d) Reduction in number of days the grounds are closed for remedial works (other than programmed renewals).
	3(e) Promote the use of the grounds in the summer season.		3(e) Increased bookings for the oval and other facilities in the summer season.

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	3(f) Provide a new open sided shelter on the existing (upgraded) concrete slab in a style that is sympathetic to Appin's "heritage town" theme.		3(f) New shelter constructed.
	3(g) Investigate opportunities to refurbish the existing courts to increase opportunities for use.		3(g) Investigation undertaken within five years of adoption of the plan,
	3(h) Upgrade existing toilets attached to the sports club building to meet current accessibility standards (AS 1428.1, 2001).		2(h) Toilets upgraded.
	3(l) Upgrade existing club room building to provide also for more general community use.		3(l) Club room building upgraded.
	3(j) Upgrade corner garden and seating area.		3(j) Corner garden area is upgraded within 12 months of adoption of the plan.

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Ensure that activities are managed having regard to any adverse impacts on nearby residences.	4(a) Restrict the use outdoors of loud hailers, amplified music machinery and other noise making devices to the hours of 9 am to 6pm Monday to Saturday and 11am to 5pm on Sundays, except for special events approved by the Council when a variation to the time restrictions would be considered.	Uses and Activities, Comfort and Image	4(a) There are no complaints from neighbours about out of hours noise.
	4(b) Ensure that lighting installed on the playing fields is directed at the fields and does not extend to the adjoining roads or to neighbouring properties.		4(b) There are no complaints from passing motorists or adjoining residents about glare from the lights
	5(a) Adopt best practice guidelines and controls for the general application of fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides on the land.		5(a) No evidence of inappropriate use of chemicals.

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	5(b) Be conservative with the application of irrigation water.		5(b) No evidence of excessive use of water caused by over watering or by failure of the irrigation system.
COUNCIL'S OTHER OBJECTIVES			
Public Safety and Risk Management Adequately address all public safety and risk management issues.	6(a) Inspect the park each six months to ensure that there are no risks to public health and safety.	Uses and Activities, Comfort and Image	6(a) Inspection reports identify required works if any; action reports indicate remedial work has been done.
- Playgrounds	6(b) Inspect the playground equipment twice yearly and repair, replace or remove (if appropriate) any items identified as requiring attention.		6(b) Inspection reports identify required works if any; action reports indicate remedial work has been done.
- Vegetation and built structures	6(c) Undertake repairs at the earliest opportunity and make areas safe.		6(c) No complaints about the condition of the equipment or infrastructure
- Infrastructure	6(d) Act promptly upon any requests for repairs to or maintenance of any facility or infrastructure within the park.		6(d) No complaints of long outstanding requests for action.

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<p>Bushfire Hazard Management</p> <p>To specifically provide for the management of bushfire hazards on the land.</p> <p>S1.1 Take account of Bushfire Hazard Management Guidelines or Policies</p>	<p>7(a) Reduce the risk of fire on the land by regularly clearing litter bins and keeping the grounds clean and tidy and free of windblown debris and other flammable materials.</p>	<p>Uses and Activities, Comfort and Image</p>	<p>7(a) No complaints of overflowing litter bins or of windblown refuse or debris littering the grounds.</p>
	<p>7(b) Replace any fuelled fired barbecue facilities or open fireplaces with electric barbecues</p>		<p>7(b) Electric barbecues are installed within the park.</p>
	<p>7(c) Abide by the provisions of the Wollondilly Bush Fire Risk Management Plan affecting the land.</p>		<p>7(c) Management of bushfire hazards is in accordance with the Bush Fire Risk Management Plan as adopted.</p>
	<p>7(d) Prepare a bushfire risk management plan for Council's community lands/Crown reserves.</p>		<p>7(d) Bushfire risk management plan adopted and implemented.</p>

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	7(e) Comply with asset protection zones and strategic fire advantage zones in line with the Bushfire Environmental Assessment Code 2003.		7(e) No complaints of asset protection zones or strategic fire advantage zones being non compliant.
Traffic Management To provide for safe pedestrian and vehicular traffic within the park.	8(a) Provide shared access pathways through the land.	Access and Linkages, Uses and Activities, Comfort and Image	8(a) A sealed shared pathway is formed on the land within 3 years of adoption of this Plan.
	8(b) Rationalise existing internal vehicular access to address health safety and risk management issues. Upgrade and seal the internal access road, provide some sealed carparking areas and additional paved areas.		8(b) Council has upgraded and sealed the internal access road and provided some sealed carparking areas and additional paved areas within five years of adoption of this Plan.
	8(c) Restrict vehicular traffic and car parking within the park by appropriate landscaping and design including a low fence or bollards along the Appin Road frontage.		8(c) Traffic within the park does not interfere with the public's use and enjoyment of the land.

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Vision Strategy 7.4	8(d) Facilitate the linking of the park with other community lands in Appin by providing for a shared pathway to be constructed on part of the land.		8(d) Provision is made on the development plan to accommodate the Alternative Transport Committee's proposed shared pathway.
<p>Economically Sustainable Development</p> <p>To ensure that any new landscape design and construction is in line with the Council's commitment to economically sustainable development.</p> <p>S1.1 Support the restoration of native vegetation on private and public lands.</p>	9(a) Minimise the cost of grounds maintenance by ensuring that any new landscape design and construction makes provision for predominantly native plants that are drought tolerant, have little or no requirement for fertilizer application, that are suitable for use in a public area and are generally low maintenance plants.	Value for Money, Comfort and Image	9(a) Attractive landscape design that is appropriate to the use of the land and is cost effective to maintain.
	9(b) Limit the amount of new built infrastructure; upgrade existing facilities where practicable.		9(b) New facilities constructed in accordance with the Strategic Management of Council's Assets Policy.
	9(c) Constructed new facilities so as to require a minimum of ongoing maintenance.		9(c) Low annual maintenance costs.

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	9(d) Design new facilities to be energy-wise and water-wise, to conserve natural resources and to reduce costs.		9(d) Low annual energy and water costs.
Community Development – Building Social Capital			
<p>Assets are provided where considered necessary to support Council's service delivery objectives.</p> <p>Vision 9: The community has access to ...cultural and recreational facilities.</p>	10(a) Advocate for provision by others of facilities and amenities to meet the needs of the community and provide additional assets required to support and maintain the best interests of the community.		10(a) There is an appropriate range of social and recreational facilities to meet the needs of the community.
<p>Special consideration is given to the social and recreational needs of young people.</p>	10(b) Consider the special needs of youth when planning new community recreational and social facilities.		10(b) A greater range of entertainment and recreational activities are available to youth.

Appendix 4 – Indicative Master Plan

Appendix 5 – Development Plan

Item	Action	Timing	Capital Cost (estimate)	Priority	Recurrent Cost
1(b)	Provide universal signs within the park.		\$5,000	Low	
1(d)	Provide tactile signs in appropriate locations.		\$5,000	High	
2(a)	Construct new accessible toilet facility	When Appin is sewerred.	\$120,000	High	Nil additional
2(b)	Construct new playground		\$40,000	Medium	
2(c)	Construct accessible picnic shelters		\$40,000	High	
2(d)	Provide additional security/amenity lighting		\$10,000	Low	
2(e)	Provide heritage sign/seating		\$15,000	Medium	
2(f)	Construct heritage style bandstand rotunda		\$50,000	Low	
2(g)	Develop landscape plan and provide new garden areas.		\$25,000	High	
3(f)	Construct new heritage style “open” shelter near courts.		\$15,000	Medium	
3(g)	Refurbish courts		\$35,000	Low	
3(h)	Upgrade club room toilets to AS 1428.1		\$20,000	High	
3(l)	Upgrade club room building		\$15,000	Low	
3(j)	Upgrade corner garden and seating area		\$5,000	High	
7(b)	Provide electric barbecues (one accessible)		\$10,000	High	
8(a)	Construct sealed access pathways		\$10,000	High	
8(b)	Construct sealed road and car parks		\$40,000	High	
8(c)	Provide fence or bollards on Appin Road frontage		\$5,000	High	

