

(INNER CIRCLE) LINEAR PARKLANDS

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

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Implementation Plan

The implementation plan for the parklands is a strategic roadmap that prioritises projects based on their impact on the entire parklands, specific precincts within the park, and key moments in their development. This plan will ensure that council resources are allocated efficiently to maximise the overall benefit of the parklands. Council can strategically time and sequence projects to create a cohesive transformation of the parklands into the future. This implementation plan will be reviewed and updated over the life of the masterplan.

Project	Reserve	Details/Notes	Priority	Year/s	Indicative Cost	Funding	Project lead	Delivery lead
Shared User Path and pedestrian path upgrades	All	Developing a design for a wider Shared User Path and secondary pedestrian gravel path. Implement a staged delivery of path upgrades that are coordinated with other projects along the corridor.	High Ongoing	2025-2035			Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces	Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces
Wayfinding, Art and Interpretation Signage	All	- Development of a parkwide design - Implement a staged delivery approach to integrate with other projects with costs staged over the 20 year programme	Ongoing	2025 - 2045	\$1,900,000		Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces	Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces Arts and Culture
Shared User Path lighting upgrades	All	- Development of a parkwide design - Implement a staged delivery of lighting to improve the safety of the parklands identified as a key issue with the community	High Ongoing	2026 - 2036	\$3,500,000	State Gov.	Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces	Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces
Suite of typical precinct materials, furnitures and structures suite	All	- Development of a parkwide design	High	2025 - 2026	In house		Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces	Open Space Planning and Design
AREA C: Public Toilet	Linear Park Reserve	- Composting public toilet - Installation delivery by Building Projects team	High	2026 - 2027	\$ 400, 000		Building Projects	Building Projects
AREA D: “The Play Plateau” Sports and Play Precinct	Park Street Reserve	- Play space upgrade identified in draft Play Space Strategy - Enhance the active sport offerings	High	2027 - 2030	\$3,800,000	Federeal Gov.	Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces	Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces
AREA A: “The Commons” Community Precinct” between Bowen Crescent And Lygon Street	Hardy Gallagher Reserve	- WSUD feature - Upgrades identified in Yarra Open Space Strategy	Medium	2028-2030	\$ 2,500,000	State Gov.	Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces Merri-bek	Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces
AREA A: Public Toilet	Hardy Gallagher Reserve	- Composting public toilet - Installation delivery by Building Projects team	High	2029 - 2030	\$400,000		Building Projects	Building Projects
AREA C: Fenced dog off leash area			High	2029 - 2030	\$ 600, 000	State Gov.	Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces	Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces

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AREA C: “Under the peppercorns” located between Nicholson Street and Brunswick Street		- WSUD feature - Former platform remediation and upgrade	Medium	2030 – 2034	\$ 1,500,000	State Gov.	Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces	Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces Roads Stormwater and drainage
AREA C: Play space upgrade	Holden Byrne Reserve	- Play space replacement as identified in draft Yarra Place Space Strategy	Medium	2033 – 2035	\$800,000		Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces	Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces
AREA A: Playspace upgrade	Hardy Gallagher Reserve	- Play space upgrade in draft Play Space Strategy.	Medium	2032 – 2034	\$800,000		Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces	Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces
AREA C: “Janet Millman Ecological Park” located between Brunswick Street North to St Georges Road	Janet Millman Reserve and Holden Byrne Reserve	- Several small to medium scale projects funded through minor capital works and delivered by different teams across Yarra - Major upgrades identified in Yarra Open Space Strategy	Ongoing	2025-2045	\$850,000		Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces	Biodiversity Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces Urban Agriculture
AREA A: “The Commons” Community Precinct” between Bowen Crescent And Lygon Street	Hardy Gallagher Reserve	- Several small to medium scale projects will be funded through minor capital renewal works and delivered by different teams across Yarra - Portion of this space is also on Merri-bek land - Upgrades identified in Yarra Open Space Strategy	High	2025–2045	\$700,000		Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces Merri-bek	Biodiversity Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces Urban Agriculture
AREA A: “Beyond the Picket Fence” Community Precinct” between Bowen Crescent And Lygon Street	Hardy Gallagher Reserve	- Several small to medium scale projects will be funded through minor capital works and delivered by different teams across Yarra - Upgrades identified in Yarra Open Space Strategy	Ongoing	2025–2045	\$500,000		Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces	Biodiversity Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces
AREA D: “The Hill” Discovery Precinct located between Bennett Street and Rushall Station	Thomas Kidney Reserve	- Several small scale projects funded through minor capital works and delivered by different teams across Yarra	Ongoing	2025 – 2045	\$450,000		Strategic Projects, Parks and Open Spaces	Biodiversity Strategic Projects Delivery Urban Agriculture

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Priority Crossings - Upgrade all existing non-signalised crossings to priority crossings		As above	High	2025 - 2045	TBC	State Gov.	Strategic Transport	Strategic Transport
Signalised Intersections - Upgrade all existing signalised crossings		As above	High	2025 - 2035	TBC	State Gov.		
“AREA B: “The Learning Forest”” Education Precinct Design and Construction Located Between Lygon Street and Rathdowne Street”	Linear Park Reserve	- The majority of this site is located on City of Merri-bek - Timing and budget to be confirming following community consultation	Medium	TBC	TBC			Merri-bek
AREA B: “The Front Yard” and “The Marketplace” located between Rathdowne Street and Nicholson Street	Linear Park Reserve	- The majority of this site is located on City of Merri-bek - Timing and budget to be confirming following community consultation	Medium	TBC	TBC			Merri-bek

