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Open Spaces and Reserves

Strategic Open Space Projects

At its Ordinary Meeting held 21 September 2020 Council adopted the concept designs for Beaufort Street Park and Belubula River Precinct.

Both schematic designs focus on the utilisation of currently underutilised Council held land and road reserves, seeking to obtain greater utilisation and provide the Blayney community with improved passive recreation open space opportunities.

The schematic landscape designs expanded upon the two proposed concepts previously identified within, either the Blayney Shire Sport and Recreation Master Plan (2017), Blayney Active Movement Strategy (2016) and/or Blayney 2020 Master Plan (2016).

Beaufort Street Park

The Frape / Beaufort Street Park area is bounded by Frape, Cook and Beaufort Streets with a pathway access to Roseberry Place. The schematic design proposes shared path linkages through the park, with playground and shadesails, fitness equipment, BBQ with seating, toilet block, open grass areas and associated landscaping.

Belubula River Precinct

The Belubula River Precinct stretches from Dakers Oval in the North through to Martha Street and Heritage Park in the South, with multiple linkages to local roads, primarily along Lower Farm Lane. Council has also undertaken preliminary discussions with an adjoining landholder to improve and make available a piece of land known as "the island" near Newbridge Road for public passive recreation such as fishing and bird viewing.

The schematic design proposes the closure of the section of Lower Farm Lane between Charles and Stillngfleet Streets and repurposing of this section to provide for a shared path. The shared path will service the full length of the route from Dakers

Oval to Heritage Park, offering the community a safe pedestrian and cycling off-road track enhancing local connectivity across Blayney.

Works also identified, include the removal of existing noxious and invasive species such as willow and elm along the river alignment, a pedestrian bridge to service "the island", viewing decks, bird hide, associated landscaping, and other environmental enhancements.

The strategic designs have been developed in consultation with the community, to provide Council with clear direction for future grant funding opportunities.

Private Events held in Parks and Reserves

Blayney Shire Council maintains a number of parks & reserves which may be used for private functions. A private function is an event from which the general public is excluded. The applicant is not entitled to exclusive use of any reserve area and access by the general public is to be available at all times. If the event involves use of barbecues, undercover areas, or other facilities available at a reserve, please be considerate of other users.

For more information contact Council's Environmental Services Department by phoning 6368 2104 or [book on-line](#).

Heritage Park



Heritage Park, located in Blayney's main street includes a mouse house, flying fox, climbing gym, swings, giant chess board and a sand pit. Heritage Park was first constructed in 1993 in time for the Blayney sesqui- centenary. Prior to this the land was used as a BMX venue, waste land and an area for grazing stock. In the late 90's, community groups became involved with the park's development and various improvements were made. In 2006 generous funding was sourced through corporate and community organisations. The injection of this funding facilitated the construction and provision of state of the art playground equipment which has become the envy of the Central West region and a focal point for the Shire's community. The development of Heritage Park included the installation of a 'Mouse Wheel' which is the first of its kind in Australia.

In 2012, Heritage Park won the National Parks' Management Award in recognition of excellence in Park management by Parks and Leisure Australia. By winning this award, Blayney received national recognition for their work.

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