See what's currently at John Connell Reserve

Click the **red information markers** to find out more about John Connell Reserve.



Explore the Draft Concept Plan to see the different options and share your thoughts in the survey

Based on feedback, there are different options, including:

- Moving existing uses around and the mix of uses, as well as adding in new uses
- Access to the site for vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians and those with mobility challenges
- Incorporating more (native) vegetation, planting, re-wilding and trees
- Providing new facilities (e.g. toilets, clubrooms, sports lighting)
- Balancing uses for all community demographics
- Providing for future sporting uses and demand in response to population growth and changing demographic profile of the community
- Affordable landscape and facility design and maintenance for the City and clubs



Previous uses and landfill

A portion of the site was previously used for landfill, and as a result some contamination is present in this area.

Currently the area is covered with a thin layer of clean soil capping. The contamination is largely construction and domestic waste, however, asbestos containing materials and soil leachate (heavy metals) were also present in some locations.

To enable safe use of the area for future activities it will need to be remediated. As the full extent of contamination has not been confirmed, through scientific investigation, the cost of remedication is currently unknown.



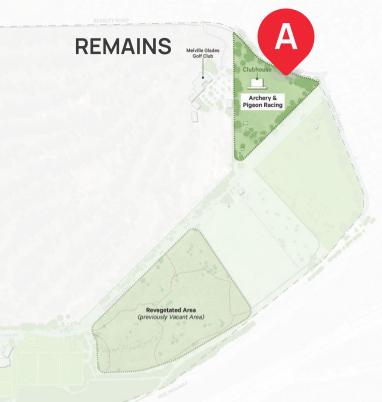


Archery & Pigeon Racing Options

There are two potential site options for the colocated Bowmen of Melville Archery Club and the Melville Homing (pigeon) Club. Share your preferred long term option in the survey.

Click A or B on the map to see more information about the options.

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If Archery & Pigeon Racing remain in place

Click the buttons below to view the options and share your thoughts in the survey.

- This is the preference of the Archery Club and the Homing (pigeon) Club.
- Access is currently via a dirt track (with gated access) from the Melville Glades Golf
- This location enables their preferred shooting orientation (south).
- Archery would be able to build new clubhouse in the shorter term. The area would require some remediation works to accommodate a building structure.
- The existing trees and vegetation enhance use of the area for field archery. Club, but this could be improved or considered for relocation.
- There is a large area within the vacant landfill site for developing passive walking trails and/or mountain biking trails.

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Playing Field Options

View two possible locations for an extra multiuse playing ground in line with the City's Active Reserve Infrastructure Strategy (2020).



□ > Option B

Access Road Options

View two options to improve access through the site to allow emergency vehicles easy access and a second exit route in case of a fire.



□ > Road B

Community Park

View the activities proposed for the John Connell Reserve community park

□ > View Options





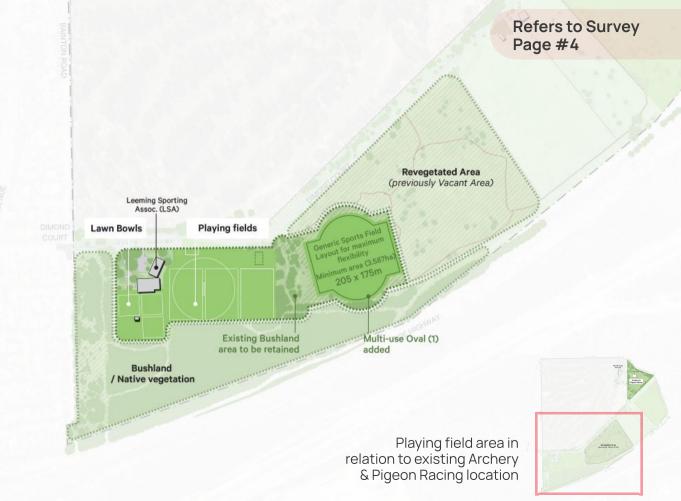
Playing Field Option A

If Archery & Pigeon Racing remains in place

An additional multi-use oval would be created and located on the vacant landfill area.

- The size of the multi-use oval could accommodate cricket and soccer, rugby or AFL
- The existing original bushland (Banksia Woodland) area shown on the map would be retained, which was preferred by the Aboriginal Elder Reference Group
- The existing Leeming Sports Association playing fields to the west would remain
- Additional parking and amenities would be provided nearby
- This would be delivered in the longer term, rather than short term, as remediation and site works for levelling is required beforehand
- The multi-use oval would not be directly connected to the existing Leeming Sports Association playing fields





□ > Option B

Playing Field Option B

If Archery & Pigeon Racing remains in place

An additional cricket oval would be created (including another soccer pitch) and located next to the existing playing fields by extending east into the bushland and toward the old landfill site.

- This is preferred by the Leeming Spartans Cricket Club
- The existing original bushland (Banksia Woodland) area shown on the map would need to be cleared.
- This is not preferred by the Aboriginal Elder Reference Group
- This option can be delivered in the shorter term and is adjacent to existing playing fields and facilities

Note: A clearing permit has been lodged, for the existing original bushland (Banksia Woodland) area shown on the maps below and is currently being assessed by the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation. This application is separate to the Master Plan process but the outcome may affect it.





Clearing permit

A clearing permit for the bushland east of the cricket oval was lodged with the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DEWR) in June and is currently being assessed.

The City, as land manager, gave permission for the Spartans Cricket Club to lodge a vegetation clearing application with DWER as the pre-requisite for a potential oval extension proposal.

DWER are the responsible authority for issuing the clearing permit, however, the oval extension has not been approved and would be subject to further design and cost estimates before any decision by Council. The oval extension project is likely to involve significant retaining works and there may be conditions imposed by DWER that need to be considered in terms of costs and practicability.

This application is separate to the Master Plan process but the decision may affect it.



□ > Option A

□ > Switch to Option B

Access Road Option A

If Archery & Pigeon Racing remains in place

Continue Dimond Court road through to Dundee Street between the Melville Archery Club and the community park.

- The additional entrance is opposite the existing shopping complex
- Additional parking adjacent to the community park
- There would be an additional road bordering the community park
- Traffic calming measure included to reduce speed, pictured below









□ > Option B

Access Road Option B

If Archery & Pigeon Racing remains in place

Continue the road northward through to Beasley Road between the Melville Archery Club and the Melville Glades Golf Course.

- Designated access to the Clubs via a bitumen road
- The road can be designed so that trees are retained
- The additional entrance would be opposite existing residential
- Traffic calming measure included to reduce speed, pictured below









Community Park Options

Click the icons on the image to view examples of the activities proposed for the John Connell Reserve community park.

Activities include:

- Social/Play space
- Youth hangout space
- Kickabout space
- Disc golf
- Dog park
- Pump track

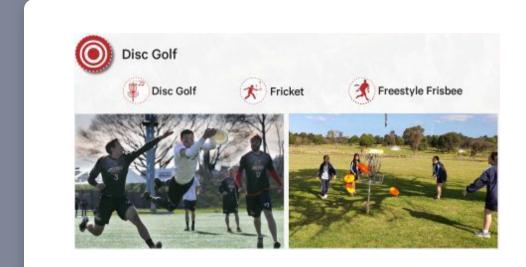
















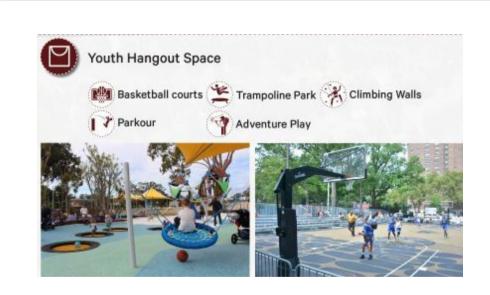












If Archery & Pigeon Racing relocates

Click the buttons below to view the options and share your thoughts in the survey.

- More space for both groups.
- There would be a separate access via the existing Dimond Court sealed road.
- The community park would be extended and enlarged.
- Remediation and site works to level the new area is required prior to the move.
- Archery is unable to construct a new clubhouse until remediation occurs.
- Additional vegetation required for field archery, may be constrained by existing landfill.
- A smaller area available within the vacant site for passive walking trails and/or mountain biking trails.

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□ > Option A

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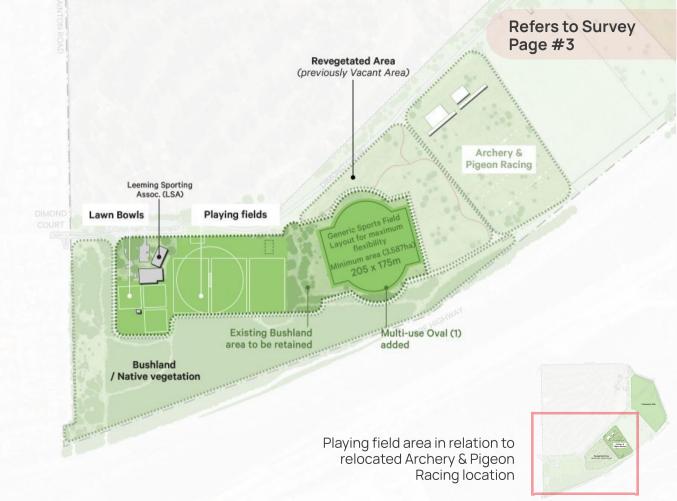
Playing Field Option A

If Archery & Pigeon Racing relocates

An additional multi-use oval would be created and located on the vacant landfill area.

- The size of the multi-use oval could accommodate a single cricket or AFL oval and 2 rectangular soccer or rugby pitches.
- The existing original bushland (Banksia Woodland) area shown on the map would be retained, which was preferred by the Aboriginal Elder Reference Group.
- The existing Leeming Sports Association playing fields to the west would remain.
- Additional parking and amenities would be provided nearby.
- This would be delivered in the longer term, rather than short term, as remediation and site works for stablising and levelling is required beforehand.
- The multi-use oval would not be directly connected to the existing Leeming Sports Association playing fields.
- A smaller amount of area would be available for walking trails nearby.





□ > Option B

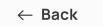
Playing Field Option B

If Archery & Pigeon Racing relocates

An additional cricket oval would be created (including another soccer pitch) and located next to the existing playing fields.

- This is preferred by the Leeming Spartans Cricket Club.
- The existing original bushland (Banksia Woodland) area shown on the map would need to be cleared. This is not preferred by the Aboriginal Elder Reference Group.
- This option (subject to DWER approval) can be delivered in the shorter term and is adjacent to existing playing fields and facilities.
- A larger amount of area would be available for walking trails nearby.

Note: A clearing permit was lodged for the existing original bushland (Banksia Woodland) area shown on the map which is currently being assessed by the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation.





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Access Road Option B

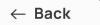
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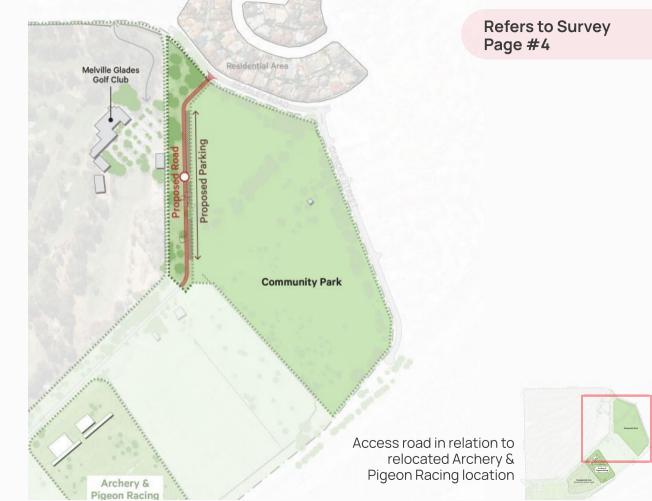
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- Creates a large continuous open green space
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