

Presented to	OMC 21 September 2021
Related to Item	Motion with Notice (C Barton) – Attadale – Alfred Cove Master Plan Design
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Attachments	Nil

The Attadale Alfred Cove Foreshore Master Plan is being prepared by consultants Element Advisory. A key output from the investigative activities and engagement process has been the development of aspirational ideas, which were presented at the Charrette final community workshop on 29 July 2021.

The aspirational ideas were prepared on a sub-precinct basis in response to the stakeholder feedback, as well as various site issues and opportunities, and were aimed at supporting the vision and key principles identified through the consultation process.

Although feedback has been generally supportive of the environmental restoration proposals included in the aspirational ideas, the City has observed community concerns through sentiment on social media and other channels with some sectors regarding the inclusion of two football ovals identified as an option in the Attadale Reserve East sub-precinct plan.

The proposed Notice of Motion relating to ovals is similar to the petition received, objecting to ovals being included in the draft Attadale Alfred Cove Foreshore Master Plan. It should be noted that the aspiration ideas were presented to gain feedback from the community at the Open Design Studio on Day 3 of the charrette and at the Final Community Workshop on day 4 of the charrette.

The consultants are currently progressing the refinement phase of the Master Plan, which involves testing of the aspirational ideas and gaining feedback from key stakeholders affected by the proposals such as Troy Park Association, Attadale Netball Club, Melville Bowls, Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) and the Aboriginal Elder Group. The outcomes of further investigation and feedback from key stakeholders will inform the proposals included in the draft Master Plan.

Implications

The Attadale Alfred Cove Foreshore Master Plan has involved one of the most comprehensive and intensive community engagement programs undertaken in the City. The aspirational ideas were shaped by the input provided by the community, which included responses from young families favourable to establishing two football ovals on the Attadale Reserve for active recreation as well as those opposed for a range of reasons.

The Active Reserves Infrastructure Strategy (ARIS) identified the need for an additional football oval in the vicinity within the next 15 years (2036). This additional oval was planned to be established at Point Waylen, however feedback from the community and DBCA highlighted the environmental significance of this area and its incompatibility with conservation objectives. As such, an alternative location for an additional oval is required to be identified within the 20 year timeframe of the Master Plan.

In recognition of this, the consultants identified the eastern end of Attadale Reserve as the nearest alternative location for the additional oval and included this proposal as an aspirational idea option that included two ovals on the basis that the existing Troy Park oval could be rehabilitated and used to locate a Aboriginal and environmental interpretative centre (Option 2).

A decision on the additional oval to provide greater capacity for junior sport in the Troy Park area does not need to be considered for at least a decade, however it would not be prudent to rule out the option for an additional oval at this time due to the following:

- The draft Master Plan is still under preparation and the City should await the briefing by the consultants on the draft Master Plan on 28 September 2021
- Premature intervention in removing aspirational ideas would undermine the community engagement process and discount feedback from those that supported the concept
- The Elected Members can provide direct feedback to the consultants to understand their rationale for the aspirational ideas generated and request that it be removed if included as a proposal in the draft Master Plan.

The consultants will be providing a presentation on the draft Master Plan to Elected Members on 28 September 2021 prior to consideration to release for public review and submissions.

A final opportunity for the community to view the draft Master Plan and provide comment will be made available at the end of October 2021 for a period of 4-6 weeks. Taking into account public submissions received, it is anticipated that a report with a recommendation for adoption will be presented to Council in February or March 2022.

The Master Plan will also be referred to the DBCA and the Swan River Trust Board for their consideration.

Legislative and Policy Alignment

Any proposals or recommendations contained in the Master Plan will be required (as per normal process) to undertake a rigorous assessment and evaluation process, including further community consultation and the development of business cases, in order to secure the necessary approvals and funding from DBCA and/or Council to facilitate an investment decision and implementation.

Financial Implications

The scale of funding required to implement the Master Plan is yet to be determined, however the consultants will provide cost estimates based on their experience with similar projects.

It is relevant to note that the independent consultants have been engaged to prepare a Master Plan for the study area, however it is the Council and the DBCA that will make the final decision regarding what will or will not be implemented and when based on a range of factors such as priorities, funding, available resources, management requirements and operational needs.

The petition has been forwarded to the consultants Element Advisory for consideration in the preparation of the draft Master Plan. Council will make a decision on the final Master Plan and any proposals contained therein in February or March 2022, taking into account the petitions, community feedback received to date and any public submissions.



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