

# ABOUT OUR MACMILLAN PRECINCT

The Town of Victoria Park's Macmillan Precinct is a much-valued hub of community services, incorporating the Town Library, Leisurelife, Bowls Club, John Macmillan Park, Community Centre, Arts Centre and other community services.

The Town is going through a period of population growth and change; which means we are facing some important decisions about the future of our assets, facilities and services we offer to the community. Many of the facilities within the Macmillan Precinct are aging and operating costs are increasing.

A facility audit commissioned by the Town shows that in the near future these facilities will reach a point where the costs to operate them outweigh the service levels they provide to the community.

# FIRST OF ITS KIND PLACE-MAKING APPROACH FOR VIC PARK

The Town of Victoria Park sees the Macmillan Precinct Redevelopment project as a unique opportunity to build a first of its kind place-making approach in the Town – a vibrant and innovative hub for living, learning, culture, wellness, community and opportunities.

Together with key stakeholders and the wider community, the Town has been and is working collaboratively through key stages of the Macmillan Precinct Redevelopment.

#### A VISION FOR THE FUTURE

To help guide the Macmillan Precinct Redevelopment was established by the community through Stage 1. This Vision was accompanied by a set of Guiding Principles of "Green Forever", "Space for All", "Mixed Together" and "Celebrate Character."



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#### **STAGE 1: A COMMUNITY VISION**

#### (COMPLETED, APRIL 2020)

The Macmillan Precinct Community Vision was developed together with local club members, residents and community group representatives who shared their values, priorities and concerns through surveys, interviews and a Vision workshop in the first half of 2020.

The Vision for the Macmillan Precinct sums up how we imagine the Precinct will be in the future and guides all major decisions over the coming years.



The Macmillan Precinct is Victoria Park's shared commons, where culture, community and creativity intertwine.

Welcoming community facilities, immersive green spaces and an eclectic mix of uses and events shape a unique destination connected to history while embracing a bold future.

# **STAGE 2: A CONCEPT PLAN**

#### (COMPLETED. APRIL 2021)

The Macmillan Precinct Concept Plan is a high level guide for the future detailed Masterplan (Stage 3) which has been developed based on more than six months of wider community feedback from the Vic Park community – residents, businesses, sporting clubs, community groups and facility operators.

The highest community rated elements of three co-designed scenarios have been included in the Concept Plan to set a clear and exciting future direction.

Three distinctive places are envisaged within the Precinct and together they form a cohesive but varied place capable of meeting the future needs of the community.

**Heart:** focus of the Precinct is the upgraded John Macmillan Park and new community hub.

**Highway:** a lively and dynamic network of urban lanes, shops, offices and community space east of John Macmillan Park, complementing Albany Hwy.

**Hood:** quieter and leafy settings for residentials, aged care and community services surround west of John Macmillan Park.





#### **STAGE 3: A MASTERPLAN**

#### (IN PROGRESS, FROM MAY 2021 ONWARDS)

The Macmillan Precinct Masterplan process will build on the Concept Plan ideas to look at how public spaces and community facilities should be designed, how existing services and its users are best accommodated and the costs and funding implications of these decisions.

Key decisions include the future location of the Vic Park/Carlisle Bowls Club, the design of the Community Hub and how other community services will be incorporated into the wider Precinct.

The Masterplan stage will be delivered over six phases:
Design Brief Development | Bowls & Hub Option
Selection | Design Development (Hub & Public Space)
| Design Development (Wider Precinct) | Masterplan
Report | Public Advertising & Council Approval.





### **STAGE 4: A PLANNING FRAMEWORK**

#### (IN PROGRESS, FROM MAY 2021 ONWARDS)

The Planning Framework is the planning mechanism which will allow the Town to implement the Macmillan Precinct. While being run concurrently with Stage 3 – Masterplan, this stage of the project is being delivered as part of the overall Albany Highway Precinct Structure Plans.



## **FUTURE STAGES**

The Macmillan Precinct Redevelopment is a long term, sustainable project, with many future stages, including:

**Stage 5:** Delivery Options, exploring funding options that complement the Macmillan Precinct's Vision.

**Stage 6:** Delivery Planning, planning the preferred delivery option including procurement and detailed design.

**Stage 7:** Capital Works, a staged approach to bring the Macmillan Precinct Masterplan to life.



# FAST FACTS

#### WHAT IS MACMILLAN PRECINCT?

The Macmillan Precinct is located in East Victoria Park and is bounded by Sussex Street, Kent Street, Gloucester Street and Albany Highway and contains key Town facilities such as Leisurelife, the Town library, Vic Park/Carlisle Bowls Club and John Macmillan Park.

#### WHY A REDEVELOPMENT?

Findings from the Town of Victoria Park's 2018 Building Condition Assessments for Macmillan Precinct identified emerging challenges which will require significant renewal and investment over the coming decades. To address the challenges, a Masterplan fit for the future needs of Vic Park's community is needed.

# WHAT IS CURRENTLY HAPPENING WITH THE PROJECT?

The Town of Victoria Park is currently working with urban planners Hatch RobertsDay, its community, local groups and businesses on Stage 3: Masterplan and Stage 4: Planning Framework.

### WHEN WILL THE PROJECT FINISH?

The Macmillan Precinct Redevelopment is a long term, sustainable project, with many future stages. Please refer to the website below for more information on each stage.

### **HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?**

Involvement in the Macmillan Precinct Redevelopment project is welcomed at key stages for consultation, feedback and engagement. Please refer to our website below for previous and future involvement opportunities.

#### MORE INFORMATION

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