



TOWN OF
VICTORIA PARK



Urban Forest Implementation
Working Group
Notes – 21 November 2022



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1 Opening

1.1 Opening

Meeting opened:

Acknowledgement of country

Ngany kaaditj Noongar moort keny kaadak nidja Wadjak Noongar boodja. Ngany kaaditj nidja Noongar birdiya – koora, ye-ye, boorda, baalapiny moorditj Noongar kaadijin, moort, wer boodja ye-ye.

I acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land and respect past, present and emerging leaders, their continuing cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land, which continues to be important today.

2 Attendance

UFS Implementation Group Members

Nadia D'Hart
Heather Johnstone
Rowena Skinner
Emma Monk

Councillors

Cr Peter Devereux
Cr Bronwyn Ife

ToVP Representatives

Natalie Martin-Goode (Chief Community Planner)
David Doy (Manager Place Planning)
Deniqua Boston (Place Leader, Urban Forest)
Pierre Quensel (Strategi Projects Manager)
Gregor Wilson (Manager Infrastructure Operations)
Penny Fletcher (Parks Technical Officer)
Stephen Szydlowski (Team Leader Natural Areas)

Meeting secretary

Shelly Woods (Executive Assistant, Chief
Community Planner)

Presenters

Jack Hobbs (Place Leader, Strategic Planning)

Observers

Aleisha Hunter (Community Projects Officer)

Apologies

Cr Luana Lisandro
Ngarie Howard
Ben Whitehouse

3 Presentations

3.1 METRONET – Status Update

Reporting officer	Jack Hobbs
Attachments	220817_Urban Forest Strategy A Lowres

Purpose of the item

Provide an update to the UFS IWG of the METRONET works and associated impacts for our urban forest

Outcome/discussions

UFS IWG is informed of the planned works and the impact on the town green infrastructure

Q: Which ones are being remove are they being replanted, can the Town have them

A: JH will check on this

3.2 Urban Ecosystem - Summer Watering Schedule

Reporting officer	Deniqua Boston + Stephen Syzdlowski
Attachments	Urban Ecosystems Review – Tube Stock Replacement

Purpose of the item

Inform IWG of the cost associated with watering of 1st year planted tube stock and provide opportunity to discuss alternate options.

Outcome/discussions

Establish an approach for the 22/23 watering season.

- Review watering quote for the UE sites (2022 planting season).
- Options for cost saving and alternative long-term approach to reduce watering and increase planting infill in subsequent planting seasons

Urban Ecosystems Watering Breakdown 2022.23		Weeks 24						
Planting Season	Site	No. tubestock planted 2022	m2	total no. waterings	cost/m2 - 1000L truck	A - cost/year - 1000L truck x 12	C - No water to select sites	D - Forecast using liquid brew
PS22	Forward Reserve	4019	2650	12	\$ 0.70	\$ 22,260.00	\$ 22,260.00	\$ -
PS22	Kent Street Verge Stage 2- Tech Park	6360	7250	12	\$ 0.70	\$ 60,900.00	\$ -	\$ 6,600.00
PS22	Fraser Reserve - embankment	950	3500	12	\$ 0.70	\$ 29,400.00	\$ -	\$ 4,950.00
PS22	Fraser Reserve - old playground	600	695	12	\$ 0.70	\$ 5,838.00	\$ -	\$ 4,050.00
PS22	Carlisle Reserve ecozone extention	469	469	12	\$ 0.70	\$ 3,939.60	\$ 3,939.60	\$ -
PS22	76 Canterbury Terrace	865	450	12	\$ 0.70	\$ 3,780.00	\$ 3,780.00	\$ -
PS22	3 Merton Street	300	94	12	\$ 0.70	\$ 789.60	\$ 789.60	\$ -
PS22	20 Huntington Street	300	246	12	\$ 0.70	\$ 2,066.40	\$ 2,066.40	\$ -
PS22	11 Esperance Street	300	249	12	\$ 0.70	\$ 2,091.60	\$ 2,091.60	\$ -
Total ex GST		14,163	15,603			\$ 131,065.20	\$ 34,927.20	\$ 15,600.00
Cost to replace failed tubestock						\$5,013.70	\$24,292.01	\$9,191.79
Total cost including yr 1 infill planting						\$ 136,078.90	\$ 59,219.21	\$ 24,791.79

- How do we want to move further with our planting practice and weather we want to change to test other theories.

- Trial at George Street – tube stock planting 75% success rate with not water. Planting done end of July.
- Keep the tube stock alive for the long term

Q: Will we continue to use compost combining and liquid brew.

A: Would have you look at the cost measure as the liquid brew is more expensive

Opportunity for the Town to capitalise on business growth for the nursery business and tie into apprenticeships, upskilling students. Economic multiply, creating jobs in the nursery area.

Healthy Catchments Program – Work with a lot of Community group lot of restoration trial and analyst on survival rates. Water holding crystals and water in on the day (water again until the soaking rains come). Emma M will get back to you with the information

Community variables - Volunteer engagement. Highlighted the need to ensure community training on how to plant the tubestock. Adopt a plant.

Poor outcome if plants are not planted with adequate soil coverage. Support liquid brewing. How the liquid brew will work with our community days.

Propagation - seed bombing, direct seeding and tissue culture as other methods of getting diversity. Include the community in the trials.

4 Items for discussion

4.1 Urban Ecosystem – Care Strategy

Reporting officer	Deniqua Boston
Attachments	Nil

Purpose of the item

Reflecting on the watering strategy, discuss the care portion of UF projects to ensure they are developed with design integrity and maintained as an asset to the town.

Outcome/discussion

Identify concerns and items for consideration as to how this impacts/ guides our planting seasons moving forward.

- Supplementary planting allocation
- Allocation of funds and resources for ongoing maintenance and care
- Planting strategy and methodology

Proposal of reducing watering in the low public amenity areas and supplement with planting in later years

4.2 Urban Forest - Program Planning 2023

Reporting officer	Deniqua Boston
Attachments	Nil

Purpose of the item

1. Review the project proposals list and select areas for UF focus 2023
 - a. 76 Planet St – Sump
 - b. Bone Street Verge – Skinny Streets Program
 - c. Rotary Park - UE
 - d. Kent St, Hayman Rd verge - UE

Project Proposal	Notes	Proposed By
Micro Parks and Sumps		
Corner Asteroid Way and Mercury		Chris Buckley
10 Axon Way	Low POS amenity area	Mike Middleton
J A Lee Drainage Basin		
205 Washington. Cnr Rathay		
27 Odea St	Low POS amenity area	
Sumps Only		
76 Planet St		
11 Esperance		
3 Merton St		
20 Huntingdon St		
Leafy Streets		
Austral Ave		
Teddington St	(Twickenham Rd, Asquith St completed)	
Forward St, East Vic Park	Infill planting. 4 empty spots along footpath	Hugo Jorge
69 Cornwall St	Query timing of Orrong Rd lowering, whether planting is wise where trees will be removed in the short term	Donna French
Urban Centre Greening		
25 Gallipoli St	Trees to street parking	
259 Berwick St		
Bus Stop Thank you		
79 Oat St		Janice Bryant
140 Kent St		
Urban Eco System		
117 Swansea St		Monique O'Donnell
Beaconsfield Verge		

Outcome/discussion

Identify areas of UF focus 2023

Q: Projects that did not come from community members what was the discussion making

A: Looking at the mapping, overlapping the POS

4.3 Kent Street Sand Pit Status

Reporting officer	Deniqua Boston
Attachments	Kent St Sand Pit Detailed Design Review – Overview – UFSWG

Purpose of the item

Present UFS IWG with the detailed design of the Kent Street Sand Pit for review prior to moving into detailed design.

Outcome/discussion

Inform the working group of the design stage of the works and validate the project intentions have been reflected and articulated in the design.

RS: How many trees will be planted

DB: This is only a Concept plan and exact numbers will be identified through detail design.

5 General business

UFS IWG - Re-Election of Presiding Position

To re-elect a presiding member to take over from Heather who is currently in the role.

- Call for nominations: Chair; Rowena Skinner, Deputy Chair; Emma Monk
- Moved by Heather Johnstone, seconded by Cr Ife
- Vote on nominated members

Bird Waterers

Identify how and where bird waterers are being utilized in Vic Park and any updates

- One proposed in the Rotary Park renovation
- Upgraded bird waterer is scheduled to replace the existing one at the end of Etwell St with build in face recognition to monitor the species that are utilizing the waterer

Awards

- AILA Award – National Award of Excellence
- AIPH Award – Highly Commended

6 Actions from previous meetings

Action	Responsible Officer	Status / Comments
Next stage of Rutland Avenue. Detailed design underway.	DB	Provide update at the next UF IWG meeting
PQ to investigate volunteer grove as recognition of service and volunteering associated with the UFS.	PQ	Proposed delay until after planting season 2022. September
Ensure LSP2 document includes the significant tree register.	DB	Review by end on January 2023
IWG Terms of Reference Review		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposing 2-year term, maximum of 3 consecutive terms. Elected members to be re-elected in alternate years to community members to sustain knowledge in the group
Program Planning - send around for people to make comment - via spreadsheet	DB	Issued to members Monday 28 th Dec. 76 Planet St. to replace 91 Planet St.
Review UF Implementation Action plan	DB	Date to be proposed in Jan or Feb 2023

7 Close

8:45am