



SOMERVILE PARK CONCEPT DESIGN

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**CITY OF
PARRAMATTA**

CONCEPT DESIGN

LEGEND

GENERAL

--- SITE BOUNDARY

EXISTING FEATURES

- 1 EXISTING GROUNDSKEEPER SHED
- 2 EXISTING CRICKET NETS
- 3 EXISTING CHILDCARE CENTRE
- 4 EXISTING COMMUNITY AND GATHERING SPACE
- 5 EXISTING AMMENITIES BUILDING
- 6 EXISTING PRIVATE RESIDENCES

PROPOSED FEATURES

- 7 PROPOSED MULTI USE COURT
- 8 PROPOSED PLAYGROUND
- 9 IMPROVEMENT OF EXISTING RIPARIAN AREA
- 10 UPGRADED MAINTENANCE VEHICLE GATE
- 11 ADDITIONAL CARPARKING
- 12 NEW CONCRETE PATH CONNECTION FROM PEARL AVENUE
- 13 PROPOSED CONCRETE CIRCUIT PATH
- 14 UPGRADED SPORTSFIELD LIGHTING TO IMPROVE LIGHTING LEVELS
- 15 PROPOSED OUTDOOR FITNESS STATIONS
- 16 RE-ALIGNED RUGBY FIELD AND TRAINING FIELD



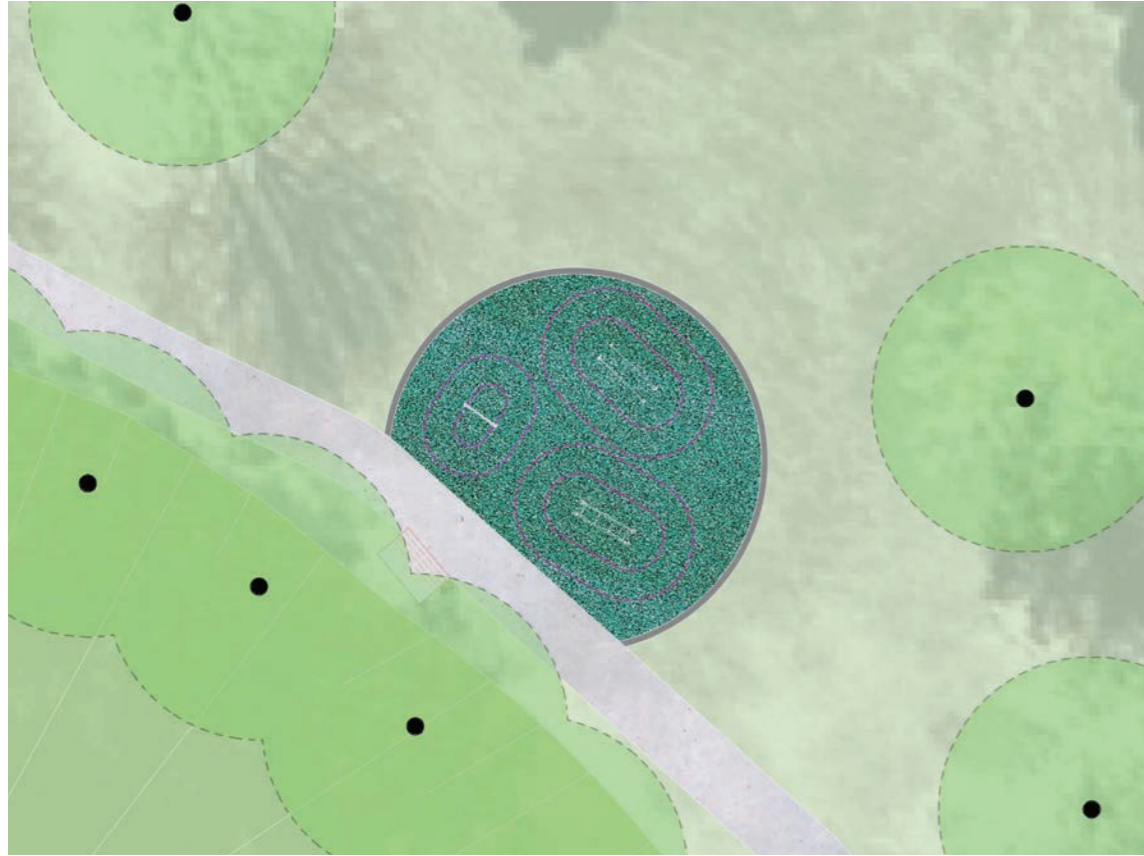
PROPOSED PLAYGROUND & MULTI-USE COURT



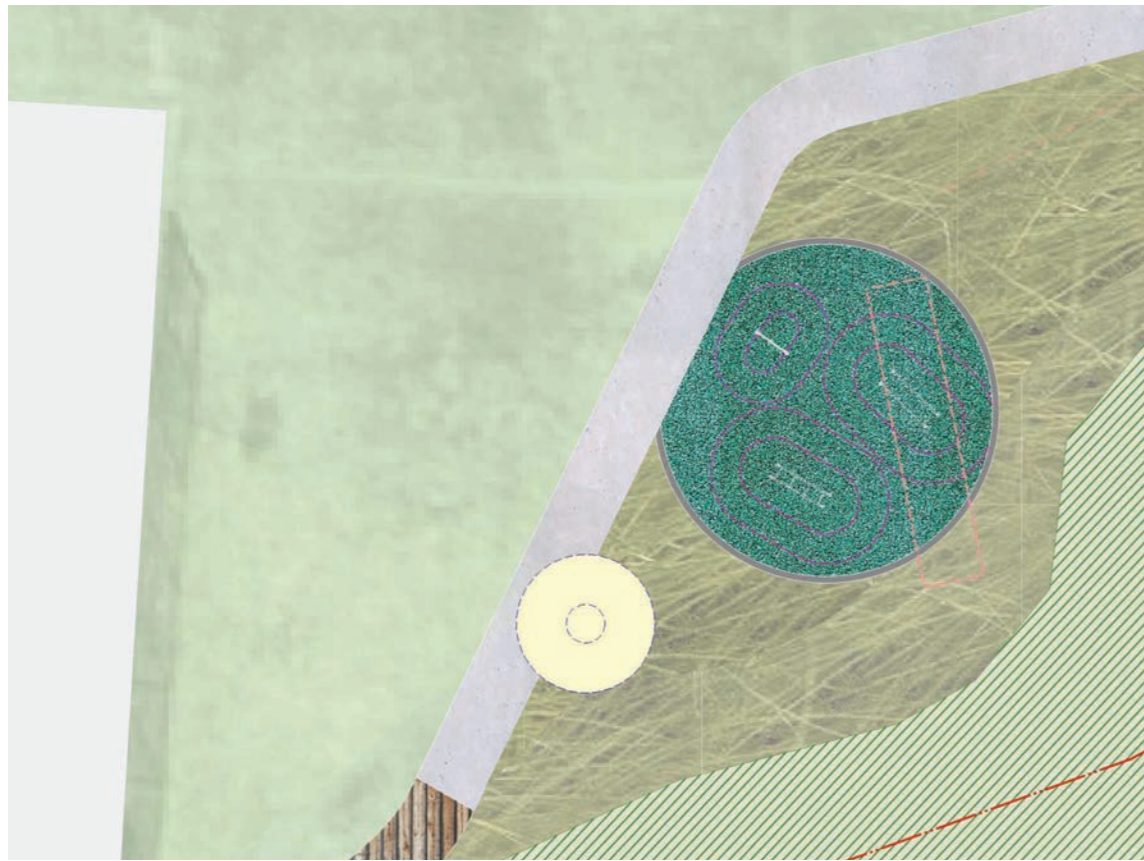
PROPOSED PLAY EQUIPMENT



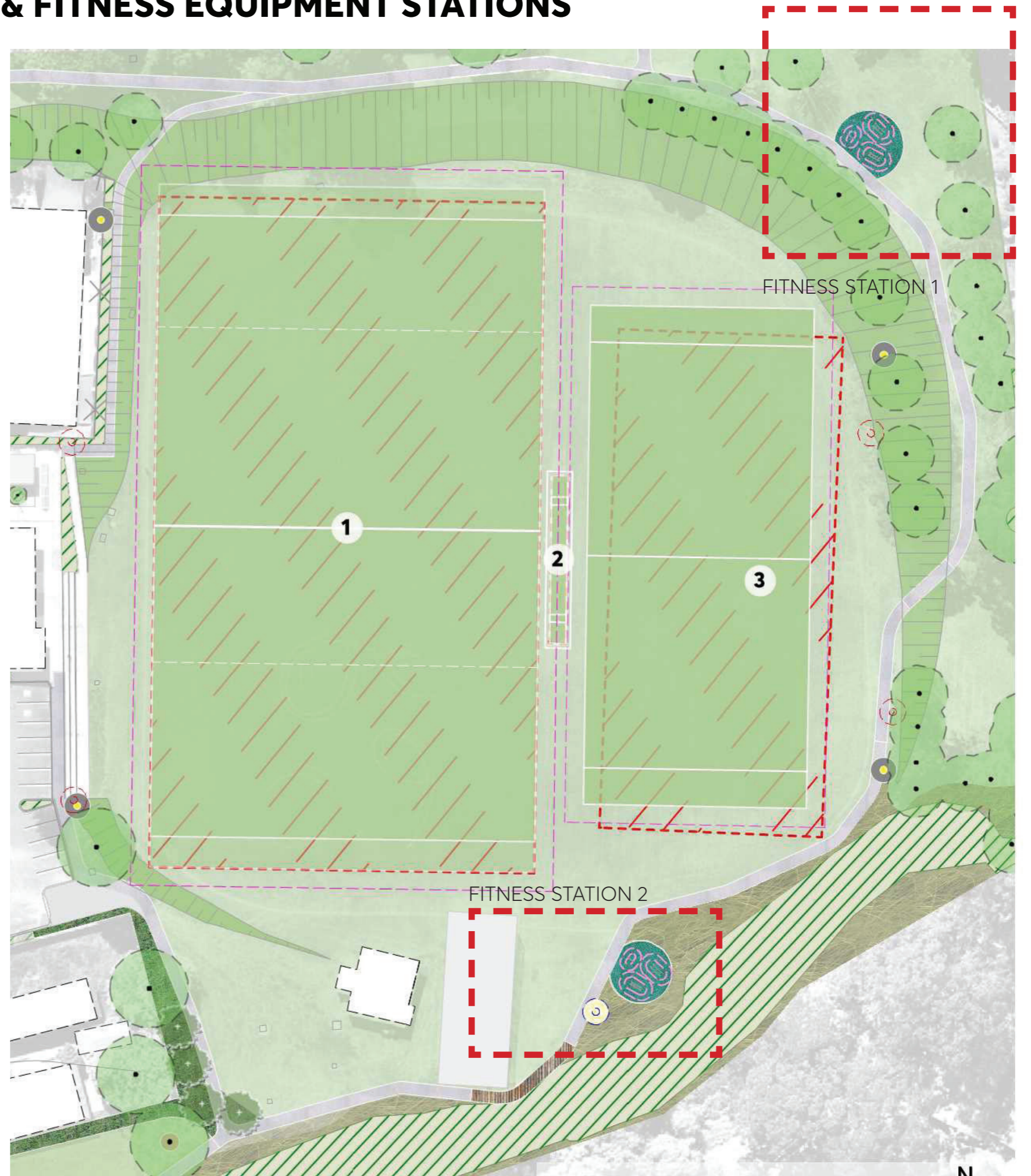
PROPOSED SPORTSFIELD, CIRCUIT PATH & FITNESS EQUIPMENT STATIONS



FITNESS STATION 1



FITNESS STATION 2



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The current playground is limited for age to older children. A lot of toddlers in the area and nearby (childcare centre indicates) so something more accessible to both ages groups or across ages for families use?

Please ensure that slides are accessible to little kids (aged 2-5 years) and particularly that ladders or stairs for climbing up are safe. 3 year olds are more than capable of using a tall slide often can't get to it safely.

It is vital that the new playground caters to older kids as well as younger ones. Upper primary/early highschool aged kids need a fun outdoor space where they can climb, be challenged and have fun.

Options for older as well as younger kids would be good

The equipment chosen caters to a wide demographic consistent with broad age range of site users within Somerville Park. The tower structure has rope and wall climbing elements, two slides and plenty of other play elements integrated into the design as well as standalone junior play elements so there's something for everyone!

Consider Shade!! Some sort of covering. Do your best to protect the kids and adults against skin cancer. And consider the direction of the sun at all times of the day.

There is no shade during summer and too much during winter

More shades from trees

Shade has been highly considered throughout Somerville Parks playground upgrade, the main element of the tower is partially enclosed, providing protection from the harsh sun. Trees will also be planted as part of the works, adding to the existing Blue Gum High forest vegetation community that Somerville Park is located within.

Need greater connections to improve access from surrounding streets / bush track

A lot of locals use the oval as walking track.

The works see the delivery of a fully enclosed circuit track around the park and an improved connection between Pearl Avenue and the Park.

It's in an inconvenient position given the size of the childcare centre

Don't put it way at the back of the area - no one will know it is there. And fence it properly - playgrounds near a road need a safety fence.

Parramatta should not be building children's playgrounds without appropriate fencing

The playground remains in a similar location with amendments made to maximise space and safety, The play area will be bordered to create an enclosed playspace and reduce risk.



Q: From the following play element categories, please select the option you would most like to see delivered at Somerville Park ?



Sliding + Climbing play elements (31.4%)

- ① - Twisting Slide
- ② - Junior Slide
- ③ - Rope Course (Spiral and Spider)
- ④ - Enclosed Bridge
- ⑤ - Boulder Mound

Dynamic + Active (20.9%)

- ③ - Rope Course (Spiral and Spider)
- ⑥ - Rope Ladder
- ⑦ - Boulder Mound
- ⑧ - Steppers

Spin Rock + Swing (9%)

- ⑨ - Triple Swing
- ⑩ - Multi Rocker

Crawling + Balancing (24.4%)

- ⑤ - Boulder Mound
- ⑥ - Rope Ladder
- ⑧ - Steppers

Natural + Adventurous (12.8%)

- ⑧ - Steppers
- ④ - Enclosed Bridge
- ① - Twisting Slide