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TAHMOOR DISTRICT SPORT

The image shows the exterior of a modern sports facility. The building features a prominent concrete overhang with the text 'TAHMOOR DISTRICT SPORT' in large, black, sans-serif capital letters. Below the overhang, the building's facade is composed of vertical grey panels and a section of natural stone masonry. A glass entrance is visible. In the foreground, there is a concrete walkway, a low wall made of large, light-colored stone blocks, and a grassy area. The background shows a green field with a soccer goal and a cloudy sky.

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Introduction

The Community Sport and Recreation Needs Strategy (the Strategy) provides a framework to guide the development of sport and recreation infrastructure within Wollondilly Shire over the next 10 years. It addresses the challenges of a changing community profile and growing population, the urbanisation of some rural areas, and the pressures on existing community sport and recreation infrastructure.

Wollondilly Shire is situated on the rapidly growing southwestern periphery of the Sydney metropolitan region, situated approximately 75 kilometres from the Sydney CBD. The Shire covers an area of 2,556 square kilometres with an approximate population of 55,801 people (Profile ID 2022 ABS ERP).

There is significant growth forecast for Wilton Growth Area and Appin Growth Area. By 2051 the combined population of these two areas is expected to reach 115,420 people, more than double the current size of Wollondilly LGA.

Council plays important roles in facilitating sport and recreation through planning, facility management, partnerships and advocacy, service provision and funding.

Successful networks of sport and recreation facilities, clubs and programs are dependent on partnerships and ongoing cooperation between a wide range of organisations, including all levels of government, peak bodies, state sporting organisations (SSOs), clubs and associations, and the wider community.

In 2014, Council endorsed the *Open Space, Recreation and Community Facilities Strategy (2014)* which provided direction for the development of open space, recreation, and community facilities. This Strategy updates and builds on this.

The strategic direction for sport and recreation is influenced by a number of policies, plans, and strategic directions at international, national, state, and regional levels. These documents have guided the development of this strategic plan, particularly the following in the new growth areas of Wilton and Appin:

- *Wilton Community Needs Study, Cred Consulting (2023)*
- *Appin Growth Area Contributions Plan (2024)*
- *Wollondilly Contributions Plan (2020)*.

To support a comprehensive analysis of sport and recreation facility issues and opportunities across the Shire, 13 'precincts' have been used to categorise geographic areas. These precincts are aligned with the precincts created by *Profile.id* which provides data for the region relating to population, demographics, projected growth, economic and social indicators based off the ABS Census.

Participation, Demographics and Trend Analysis

In the contemporary landscape of sport and recreation, various prevailing trends, alongside the six global sporting megatrends identified by organisations like Sport Australia, are projected to shape the future of sport and recreation. These trends notably include:

- New pathways to sport, often through individualised activities
- Science and technology, altering the nature of the game.
- Imperatives for safety, sustainable, and inclusive for all
- Rising cost of sport participation
- Increasing participation of female in traditionally male dominated sports
- Sport becoming increasingly professional and commercial.

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The Office of Sport has also designed a series of initiatives across four strategic pillars in *Her Sport Her Way Strategy*. These are:

- Participation
- Places and Spaces
- Leveraging Investment
- Leadership.

The 'Her Sport Her Way' lens has been applied to each pillar to achieve the vision of enabling women and girls to be valued, recognised and have equal choices and opportunities to lead and participate in sport in NSW. Reflecting these priorities at a local level, Council has committed to achieving 50/50 gender participation in sport locally and gender all-inclusive facilities by 2032.

Supply and Demand Analysis

A primary consideration for the Shire is the growth forecast for Wilton Growth Area and Appin Growth Area. By 2051 the combined population is expected to reach 115,420 people, more than double the current size of Wollondilly LGA.

As the population accelerates, there will be a heightened demand for sport and recreation facilities, necessitating expansion and enhancement to meet evolving needs.

A demand analysis for key sports was conducted using the ActiveXchange SportsEye Platform. This platform allows for socio-economic and demographic profiling, along with an extensive lifestyle profiling database, applying 785 indicators to every household in Wollondilly to align with sport and activity demand. It also incorporates population growth forecasts and recent sport trends.

The analysis offers unique insights due to established data-sharing partnerships and access to actual club participation levels.

The key findings from the analysis reveal the actual membership and current demand for various sports relevant to the Shire, as well as the projected demand for 2030.

The top five sports for current membership and demand are:

- Football (soccer)
- Rugby league
- Netball
- Basketball
- Gymnastics.

By 2030, the top five sports will be:

- Football (soccer)
- Cricket
- Basketball
- Rugby league
- Netball.

Facilities

The facilities inventory of existing sport and recreation facilities across the Shire has been prepared based on information drawn from Council website and key documents, aerial imagery, site audits to key facilities and consultation.

The facilities inventory encompasses all the existing sport and recreation facilities within the Shire, based on existing information and data.

The condition of facilities across the Shire's network varies considerably. Each venue has been given a rating to reflect an assessment of its current condition. The condition assessment ratings use the system outlined in the Institute of *Public Works Engineering Australasia's (IPWEA) Condition Assessment and Asset Performance Guidelines*. It has been found that 5% are in very good condition, 5% have minor defects only, 16% require maintenance, 53% require renewal and 21% are under construction.

The hierarchy levels for sport and recreation facilities align with the Office of Sport's hierarchy classifications and assists in the provision analysis. The Shire boasts a diverse range of sport and recreation facilities, classified into district, local and neighbourhood levels to serve the community's varied needs. There are currently no international, national, state or regional facilities in Wollondilly.

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The district level sport and recreation facilities in Wollondilly are:

- Tahmoor District Sporting Complex
- Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre
- Botanic Gardens Playground
- Warragamba Civic Park Playground (Livvi's Place).

Consultation

The consultation undertaken as part of the Strategy was guided by a Communication and Consultation Plan which was developed at the beginning of the project. The objective was to ensure that the community and key stakeholders had the opportunity to contribute to the development of the Community Sport & Recreation Needs Strategy, and to ensure that the values and aspirations of the community and stakeholders are reflected.

The following mechanisms were used to engage with the community and key stakeholders:

- Community Online Survey
- Club/Association Online Survey
- Community Workshop (in person)
- Community Workshops (online)
- Councillor Workshop
- Key Stakeholder Interviews

The themes which emerged from the consultation processes include:

Positive Themes	Key Issues
Appreciation of natural landscape (bush setting, rural).	Increasing population (i.e. Wilton and Appin Growth Areas)
Accessibility and location of facilities.	Restrictions in new growth areas (i.e. topography, land size)
Community and social benefits.	Need for new facility developments to meet future demand (i.e. multi-use precincts & indoor sports facilities)
Success of recent upgrades to facilities.	Challenges relating to ageing or poorly designed facilities
Facility components tailored to each site.	Insufficient capacity at particular existing sport and recreation facilities
Wide range of activities and facilities.	Lack of all access and female friendly community sport facilities
Club relationships, participating in mutually supportive endeavours.	Programs not meeting community demand (incl. sports on the rise)
Increase in female participation in non-traditional sports.	Travel to neighbouring LGA's to access particular sport and recreation opportunities
Organisation and management provided by volunteers.	Climate impacts (i.e. sportsground closures due to drainage)
Friendly environments created by clubs and user groups.	Maintenance demands and required upgrades
	Increasing pressures on volunteers.
	Unable to cater for sports tourism (i.e. limit accommodation)

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The position of ovals, fields, courts, clubhouses, amenities, and affiliated infrastructure can significantly impact functionality, ease of use, access, management, maintenance, and servicing. Each sport should adhere to its respective code's 'Preferred Facility Guidelines or minimum requirements in the development and enhancement of existing or new venues.

For example a single sportsfield facility would be a minimum of 4.5ha, preferably 5ha that services the needs of the local community and sporting clubs for home and away fixtures, recreational sport, training activities and participation programs that cater for a range of sports. A double sportsfield facility layout is twice the size of a single sportsfield and would be a minimum of 9ha, preferably 10ha.

Vision and Principles

The sport and recreation vision for the Wollondilly Shire reflects the aspirations of the community



In Wollondilly, we envision a vibrant community where the beauty of our landscape serves as the backdrop for a rich tapestry of sporting and recreational activities. Our vision is anchored by the belief that sport and recreation are not just pastimes but essential elements in fostering physical well-being, social cohesion, and economic development. We strive to create an environment where residents of all ages and abilities have easy access to high-quality and fit for purpose sporting facilities and recreational spaces.

The planning principles have been developed based on community aspirations and industry best-practice, to guide the development and management of sport and active recreation across the Shire. These are:

1. Maximum Community Participation
2. Shared Precincts and Community Hubs
3. Sustainability
4. Partnerships and Community Engagement
5. Maximised and Validated Community Benefit
6. Effective Management and Maintenance

Strategy and Implementation

The Strategy and Implementation Plan for developing sport and active recreation across the Shire have been identified under the key focus areas of:

- Facilities
- Clubs and service providers
- Programs and events.

26 strategies have been developed, each strategy has a supporting rationale, actions with a corresponding timeframe, partners and an estimate of required resources.

Implementation of the Strategy and Implementation Plan will require significant resources from Council and its partners including state and federal government, schools, state sporting organisations, associations, clubs, community groups and the private sector including developers. There has been no financial commitment from the Council to implement the actions identified and relevant actions will be considered as part of normal annual business planning/budgeting and long-term financial planning processes

The Strategy and Action plan is guided by this Plan's Principles and strives to achieve the Vision for sport and recreation across the region.

A summary of the 26 strategies are included on the following page.

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Facilities

Number	Strategy
Growth Areas	
1.	Wilton Growth Area
2.	Appin Growth Area
Existing Facilities	
3.	Appin - Cataract - Darkes Forest
4.	Bargo - Yanderra - Pheasants Nest
5.	Buxton – Couridjah
6.	Camden Park - Mount Hunter – Cawdor
7.	Wilton
8.	Menangle – Razorback - Douglas Park
9.	Oakdale - Nattai - National Park
10.	Orangeville - Theresa Park – Werombi
11.	Picton - Mowbray Park – Maldon
12.	Tahmoor
13.	The Oaks - Belimbla Park – Glenmore
14.	Thirlmere – Lakesland
15.	Wallacia - Warragamba – Silverdale
Non-Council owned or Managed Facilities	
16.	Non Council Owned or Managed Facilities
Research and Planning	
17.	Research and Planning

Clubs and Service Providers

Number	Strategy
18.	Women in Sport
19.	Advanced Technology
20.	Governance, Training & Development
21.	Volunteering
22.	Partnerships

Programs and Events

Number	Strategy
23.	Events
24.	Communication
25.	Resourcing
26.	Accessibility and Inclusion

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Project Overview

Project Background

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The intention of the Strategy is to:


- understand the current and future sport and recreation needs of the Shire
- ensure a sound base to advocate for funding and resources from internal and external sources
- supersede the *Open Space, Recreation and Community Facilities Strategy, 2014*.

It also provides the Shire with a framework by establishing best practice benchmarks and an action plan to meet the needs of the current and future population of the Shire. In alignment with broader goals, it reinforces Council's commitment to achieving 50/50 gender participation in sport locally and gender all-inclusive facilities by 2032.

Note: Community Facilities included in the previous 2014 Strategy are not within the scope of this Strategy.

Project Methodology

The four stage project methodology included:

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- Stage 1: Informing
 - Stage 2: Preparation
 - Stage 3: Draft Community Sport and Recreation Needs Strategy
 - Stage 4: Final Community Sport and Recreation Needs Strategy

Key Definitions

For the purposes of this report, the following definitions have been used, aligning with those provided by the *Office of Sport Definition of Key Terms, NSW Government, 2019*.

Sport: *Physical activity that can be undertaken by a team or an individual in a social or competitive environment in pursuit of a result.*

Organised Sport: *Sport that consists of structured competition, follows a defined set of rules and is governed and officiated by an organised body.*

Social Sport: *Sport that is less formal where the motivation for participation has less emphasis on performance / result and a greater focus on social outcomes. There may be an element of competition present, and it may be held under the auspices of an organised body.*

Physical Activity: *Any activity that gets your body moving, makes your breathing become quicker and your heart beat faster.*

Active Recreation: *Physical activity for the purposes of relaxation, health and wellbeing or enjoyment which can be self-directed or facilitated by a provider or organisation.*

Facilitated Active Recreation: *Any type of active recreation facilitated by a service provider.*

Self-Directed Active Recreation: *Any type of active recreation that is not facilitated by a service provider.*

Multi-sport facility: *Any piece of infrastructure that caters to and provides access for more than one sport or active recreation activity.*

Stakeholder: *An individual or group who has a direct interest in or can directly affect or be affected by the actions of an organisation with respect to a specific issue.*

LGA: *Local Government Area.*

Wollondilly Shire Council Overview

Regional Context

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The Shire stretches from Yanderra in the south, Appin and Menangle in the east, Warragamba in the north, and the Nattai wilderness, Yerranderie and Burragarang Valley to the west.

The original inhabitants of the Wollondilly area were the Gundungurra, Dharawal and Darug Aboriginal peoples. The name Wollondilly comes from the Gundungurra Tribe and means 'water trickling over rocks'.

Fondly known as the *Dilly*, the region boasts rural lands, abundant native wildlife, and pristine bushland, of which two thirds is National Parks and water catchment areas, including parts of the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area.

The community has a strong connection with the natural surroundings, as the Shire's diverse landscapes, including bushland, rural expanses, gorges, waterways, ranges, and plains, not only enhance visual and cultural ties but also offer vital social, recreational, and tourism prospects.

Both residents and visitors value the country lifestyle offered by the area, appreciating its tranquillity, strong sense of community, and natural environment. Shire owned facilities, including recreation reserves, parks, sport complexes, the Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre and Warragamba pool play a pivotal role in delivering a wide array of services to the community.

Therefore, in light of the projected growth of the Shire, strategically positioned local, district, shire-wide, and regional social infrastructure is imperative to facilitate the well-being and social connectivity of its residents.



Figure 1: Wollondilly Shire Boundary

Council's Role in Sport and Recreation

Local government plays a major role in the development of sport and recreation, particularly at the community level. Successful networks of sport and recreation facilities, clubs and programs are dependent on partnerships and ongoing cooperation between a wide range of organisations, including all levels of government, peak bodies, state sporting organisations (SSOs), clubs and associations, and the wider community as outlined in Figure 2



Figure 2: Sport and Recreation Delivery Framework

Council plays an important role in facilitating benefits and achieving positive outcomes for its community through sport and recreation provision. This is outlined in Table 1: Council's Role.

Table 1: Council's Role

Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic planning • Master planning • Policy development
Facility Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asset management • Leasing and licensing • Compliance with legislation and industry standards • Ensuring equitable access and equity to facilities • Booking and maintenance
Partnerships and Advocacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocating on behalf of the community and clubs • Partnering with other Councils, State and Federal Government • Strengthening relationships with sporting clubs
Service Provision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for club development and training • Information provision • Sports club liaison/engagement • Assistance with special events • Support with inclusive programs
Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government funding sources (e.g. federal, state, local grants) • Direct Capital investment (e.g. capital works program) • Private investment (e.g. developer contributions)

Review of the Open Space, Recreation and Community Facilities Strategy (2014)

In 2014, Council endorsed the *Open Space, Recreation and Community Facilities Strategy (2014)* which provided direction for the development of open space, recreation, and community facilities.

There were four basic themes around which the Strategies were developed:

1. Making more of what we've got
2. Ensuring that all members of the community benefit
3. Achieving value for money
4. Matching provision to people.

In 2014, the Shire had 255 hectares of local open spaces and reserves including:

- 14 sportsgrounds
- 101+ parks and reserves
- 10 tennis courts
- 4 skate parks
- 1 BMX park
- 2 swimming pools, including one Leisure Centre.

Active sports available in the Wollondilly area included Rugby League, Rugby Union, Cricket, Tennis, Soccer, Netball, Athletics, AFL, BMX, Basketball, Softball, Swimming, and Golf.

The Strategic Implementation Actions and Priorities relevant to this Strategy included:

- A Shire-wide Sports Strategy to ensure future needs can be met
- A Play and Youth Strategy
- Integration of Open Space with Council's Tourism Strategy (focusing on sports tourism, adventure, river recreation and regional trails).

The following tables summarise the major high level passive parklands, outdoor sports and indoor leisure facilities proposed in the *2014 Open Space, Recreation and Community Facilities Strategy*.

Table 2: Passive Parklands 2014

Location	Passive Parkland
Warragamba	Integration of a regional passive parklands including a regional all abilities playground.
Picton Town Centre	Development of a new civic park in concert with redevelopment of District Community facilities hub
Wilton	District Level Town Park to be developed to match population thresholds
Appin	District Level Town Park to be developed to match population thresholds

Table 3: Outdoor Sports

Location	Action
Warragamba	Integration of a regional/subregional sports precinct integrating Warragamba Sportsground, Pool, and Recreation Reserve
Appin	Expansion and redevelopment of Appin AIS Sports Ground to accommodate more field training and courts
Wilton Junction	District Level sports facilities close to town centre adjoining town park
Picton	Consolidation and rationalisation of the suite of sports facilities that include Picton Sports Ground, Hume Oval and Victoria Park to form an integrated district level sports precinct
Thirlmere	Redevelopment and upgrade of Thirlmere Sportsground to increase capacity, including reconfiguration of greyhound track
Douglas Park	Reconfiguration of existing sports facilities
The Oaks	Reconfiguration of the existing Dudley Chesham Sportsground including consolidating buildings and better integration of equestrian facility

Table 4: Indoor Leisure

Location	Action
Picton	Extend/expand existing Leisure Centre and integrate with outdoor open space
Warragamba	Consider opportunity for indoor leisure/sports hall as part of upgrade of Warragamba Sportsground and integrate with pool.

Status of Major High Level Facilities Since 2014

The following tables provide a summary of the major high level facilities that were proposed for outdoor sports and indoor leisure in the *Open Space, Recreation and Community Facilities Strategy (2014)*. It details their proposed specifications and provides a current status of each initiative.

✓ Complete - Partially Complete X Not Commenced

Table 5: Passive Parklands Implementation Plan

Location	Key Outcome	Status
Warragamba	Integration of a regional passive parklands including a regional all abilities playground.	✓ <i>Complete</i> – Warragamba Civic Park, Livvi’s Place
Picton Town Centre	Development of a new civic park in concert with redevelopment of District Community facilities hub	- <i>Partially complete</i> – New civic park designed and to be delivered as part of Government Services Building project.
Wilton	District Level Town Park to be developed to match population thresholds	X <i>Not commenced</i> - Proposed master plan process to be determined for Appin AIS sports ground.
Appin	District Level Town Park to be developed to match population thresholds	X <i>Not commenced</i> - Proposed master plan process to be determined for Appin AIS sports ground.

Table 6: Outdoor Sports Implementation Plan

Location	Key Outcome	Status
Warragamba	Integration of a regional/subregional sports precinct integrating Warragamba Sportsground, Warragamba Pool and Warragamba Recreation Reserve (formerly SCA Picnic Grounds)	- <i>Partially complete</i> - Master plan adopted in 2022 and staged implementation to occur commencing 2024/2025.
Appin	Expansion and redevelopment of Appin AIS Sports Ground to accommodate more field training and courts (possible long term re-location of community centre to town centre to permit greater sports focus)	X <i>Not commenced</i> - Proposed master plan process to be determined for Appin AIS sports ground.
Wilton Junction	District Level sports facilities close to town centre adjoining town park	- <i>Partially complete</i> - Identified in structure plan and existing documents for Wilton Growth Area to be referenced.
Picton	Consolidation and rationalisation of the suite of sports facilities (courts and fields) that include Picton Sports Ground, Hume Oval and Victoria Park to form an integrated district level sports precinct	- <i>Partially complete</i> - Picton Parklands master plan adopted in 2022 and staged implementation in progress with multi-purpose amenities building extension completion due end of 2024. Master plan does not include Victoria Park. Separate master plan to be undertaken in 2024/2025.
Thirlmere	Redevelopment and upgrade of Thirlmere Sportsground to increase capacity, including reconfiguration of greyhound track	- <i>Partially complete</i> - Development of master plan underway for Thirlmere Memorial Park and Thirlmere sports ground. Since the adoption of the existing strategy, the greyhound track has been upgraded and will remain in place. As such reconfiguration no longer applicable.

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Location	Key Outcome	Status
Douglas Park	Reconfiguration of existing sports facilities to permit basketball, skate, reorganised tennis, little athletics and winter field sports (in train)	- <i>Partially complete</i> - master plan adopted in 2016, amendment 2021 and staged implementation underway.
The Oaks	Reconfiguration of the existing Dudley Chesham Sportsground including consolidating buildings and better integration of equestrian facility	- <i>Partially complete</i> - master plan adopted in 2019 and staged implementation in progress including multi-purpose amenities building completion due end of 2024.

Table 7: Indoor Leisure Implementation Plan

Location	Key Outcome	Status
Picton	Extend/expand existing Leisure Centre and integrate with outdoor open space	X <i>Not commenced</i> - master plan to be developed.
Warragamba	Consider opportunity for indoor leisure/sports hall as part of upgrade of Warragamba Sportsground and integrate with pool.	- <i>Partially complete</i> - Warragamba Open Space master plan adopted in 2022, this could be considered as part of future detailed design.

Key Milestones Since 2014

Wollondilly Shire Council has achieved notable progress since 2014 in sport and recreation informed by the following Master Plans:

- Thirlmere Memorial Park and Thirlmere Sportsground (2024)
- Picton Parklands (2022)
- Warragamba Open Space (2022)
- Douglas Park Sportsground (2021)
- Telopea Park (2020)
- Tahmoor District Sporting Complex (2019)
- Appin Park (2023)
- Dudley Chesham Sportsground (2019)
- Menangle Old School Site (2019)
- Redbank Reserve (2018)
- Wilton Recreation Reserve (2016).

The master planning process ensures a proactive and strategic approach towards planning for the future of existing facilities. Master plans are developed in consultation with the community through a process of community engagement. They provide a clear vision for how a site will look and the types of open space upgrades, improvements and embellishments the community can expect in the long term. These adopted master plans have enabled Council to successfully apply for a number of external grant funding opportunities and implement works in stages. They are also used to guide Council's capital works program and section 7.11 contributions plans.



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Key infrastructure projects aligned to adopted master plans and delivered by Council since 2014 include:

- Picton Sportsground Amenities Extension (Due for completion late 2024)
- Picton Botanic Gardens All Abilities Playspace and Accessible Amenities
- Dudley Chesham Sportsground all abilities playground
- Dudley Chesham Sportsground multi-purpose amenities building (due for completion late 2024)
- Outdoor exercise equipment; various sites
- Tahmoor BMX pump track
- Tahmoor District Sporting Complex – 12 new netball courts, athletics field, multi-purpose building (completed) and reconfiguration of western sports fields in progress (due for completion late 2024)
- Old Menangle School site; building refurbishment, new playground, amenities and pathways.
- Appin District Skate Park
- Telopea Park; playground, youth zone, amenities, connecting pathways.
- Barrallier Park water play facility.
- Birralee Park upgrades
- Wilton Recreation Reserve; new field, building refurbishment, multi-purpose amenities building and multi-purpose courts
- Picton Botanic Gardens; outdoor event stage
- Warragamba all abilities playground
- Appin AIS netball court upgrade.

New parks delivered by others (developers) since 2014 include:

- Fisher Street Reserve (The Oaks)
- Heritage Drive Reserve (Appin)
- Lake Victoria Way Reserve (Silverdale)
- The Acres Park (Tahmoor)
- Rotolactor Park (Menangle).



Picton Sportsground Amenities Extension



Picton Botanic Gardens All Abilities Playspace and Accessible Amenities

Source: <https://www.wollondilly.nsw.gov.au/shire-projects/projects/>

Background Documents

The strategic direction for sport and recreation is influenced by a number of policies, plans, and strategic directions at international, national, state, and regional levels. Partnerships and cross-agency collaboration allow for effective planning of sport and recreation facilities, programs and services which support various strategic outcomes, such as health, well-being, quality of life, a sense of pride and identity within communities, tourism and local economic development.

The following strategic documents may influence the directions for sport and recreation in the Shire and have been reviewed to inform this Plan.

International Level Document

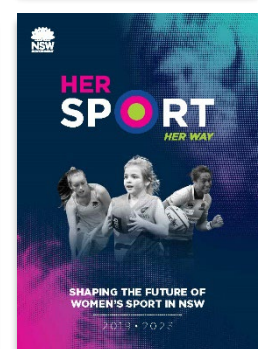
- *Global Action Plan on Physical Activity 2018-2030* (World Health Organisation, 2018)

National Level Documents

- *Sport 2030* (Sport Australia, 2018)
- *Blueprint for an Active Australia* (Heart Foundation, 2019)
- *Sport Governance Principles* (Australian Sports Commission, 2020)
- *Women's Safety Charter* (Greater Cities Commission 2023)
- *Sport Volunteering National Plan* (Australian Sports Commission, 2022)
- *AUSPlay National Sport and Physical Activity Participation Report - Oct 2023*

State Level Documents

- *Strategic Plan* (Office of Sport 2020-24)
- *State Infrastructure Strategy* (Infrastructure NSW 2022-42)
- *Everyone Can Play – A Guideline to Create Inclusive Play Spaces* (NSW Government 2023)
- *Her Sport Her Way Strategy*, Office of Sport, NSW
- *NSW Public Spaces Charter* (NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment 2021)
- *Greener Places* (Government Architect NSW 2020)
- *DRAFT Greener Places Design Guide Open Spaces for Recreation Urban Tree Canopy bushland and Waterways* (2020)



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Regional Level Documents

- *Wollondilly 2040 A Vision for the Future of Wollondilly, Local Strategic Planning Statement (2020)*
- *Community Strategic Plan (Wollondilly 2022/23 – 2032/33)*
- *Open Space, Recreation and Community Facilities Strategy (Wollondilly Shire Council, 2014)*
- *Disability Inclusion Action Plan (Wollondilly Shire Council 2022-2026)*
- *Generic Plan of Management Sportsgrounds (Wollondilly Shire Council 2015)*
- *Picton Parklands Plan of Management and Master Plan (2022)*

Masterplans

- *Thirlmere Memorial Park and Thirlmere Sportsground (2024)*
- *Picton Parklands Plan of Management and Master Plan (2022)*
- *Warragamba Open Space Master Plan (2022)*
- *Douglas Park Sportsground (2021)*
- *Telopea Park (2020)*
- *Tahmoor District Sporting Complex (2019)*
- *Appin Park Master Plan (2023)*
- *Dudley Chesham Sportsground (2019)*
- *Menangle Old School Site (2019)*
- *Redbank Reserve Master Plan (2018)*
- *Wilton Recreation Reserve (2016)*

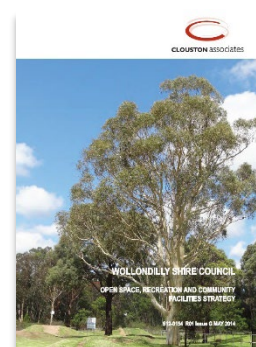
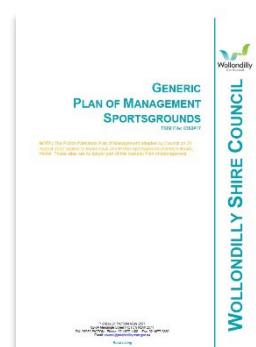
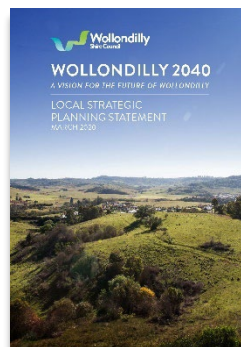
The Strategy has also been informed by the following plans to guide the growth of the new areas in Wilton and Appin.

- *Appin Growth Area Contributions Plan (2024)*
- *Wilton Community Needs Study, Cred Consulting (2023)*
- *Wilton 2040 – A Plan for the Wilton Growth Area, NSW Government*
- *Wollondilly Contributions Plan (2020)*
- *Capital Works Program*

The Wollondilly Community Strategic Plan includes a 4-year Capital Works Program which includes upcoming sport and recreation facility projects. Projects in the 2024/25 to 2027/28 Capital Works Program have been included in Section 7: Strategy and Implementation Plan where necessary.

Additionally, the following guidelines and frameworks have been used to ensure the development aligns with best practices in health, accessibility, and community well-being:

- *NSW Health Built Environments Checklist*
- *South Western Sydney Local Health District (SWSLHD) Position Statement on Healthy Urban Planning & Placemaking*
- *Healthy Streets Framework*
- *Transport for NSW Movement and Place Framework*
- *Female Friendly Sport Infrastructure Guidelines"*



Guidelines

- *Sports Dimension Guide for Playing Areas (Department of Sport and Recreation 2016)*

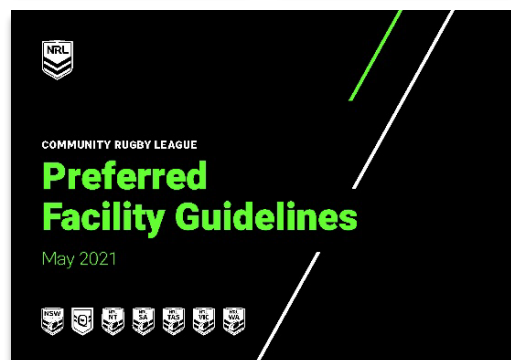
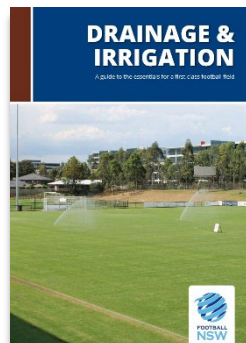
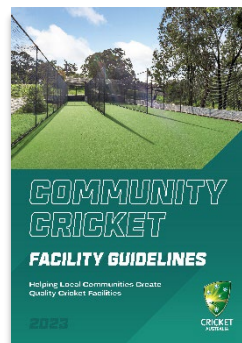
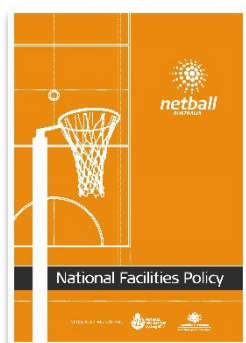
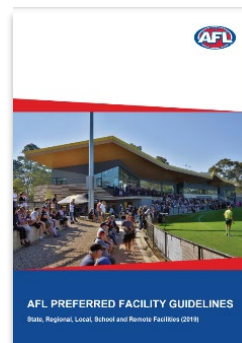
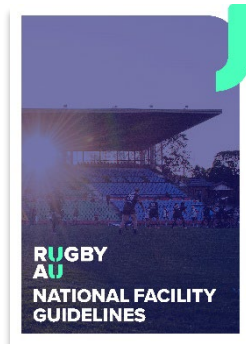
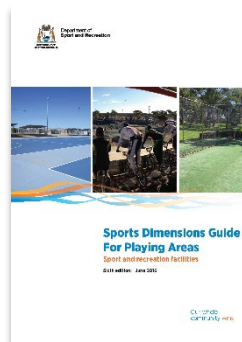
Sport Specific Infrastructure Guideline Examples:

- *Rugby AU National Facility Guidelines (2019)*
- *Football NSW, Football Facilities, Facility Guides*
www.footballfacilities.com.au/facility-guides
- *AFL Preferred Facilities Guidelines (2019)*
- *Basketball NSW Infrastructure Projects Facility Area Guide*
- *National Facilities Policy, Netball Australia (2016)*
- *Cricket Australia Community Cricket Facility Guidelines (2015)*
- *Tennis Australia Tennis Infrastructure Planning (2018)*
- *Minimal Requirements, Little Athletics 2021*
- *NRL Community Rugby League - Preferred Facility Guidelines May 2021*
- *Gymnastics Australia National Facility Facilities Guidelines*

Refer <https://www.sport.nsw.gov.au/community-sport-infrastructure-resource-library/strategy-and-planning>

Other:

- *Office of Sport Definition of Key Terms (2019)*



Planning Precinct

To support a comprehensive analysis of sport and recreation facility issues and opportunities across the Shire, 13 'precincts' have been used to categorise geographic areas.

These precincts are aligned with the precincts created by *Profile.id* which provides data for the region relating to population, demographics, projected growth, economic and social indicators based off the ABS Census.

Disclaimer: In accordance with Resolution 91/2025, the profile.id precinct boundaries have been altered, with Douglas Park now included in Precinct F alongside Menangle – Razorback.

The precincts are outlined using a unique reference letter as listed in Table 8 and shown in Figure 3. The precincts are included in the Facility Inventory which is included as Appendix A.

Table 8: Planning Precincts

Ref	Districts
A	Appin - Cataract - Darkes Forest
B	Bargo - Yanderra - Pheasants Nest
C	Buxton – Couridjah
D	Camden Park - Mount Hunter – Cawdor
E	Wilton
F	Menangle – Razorback - Douglas Park
G	Oakdale - Nattai - National Park
H	Orangeville - Theresa Park – Werombi
I	Picton - Mowbray Park – Maldon
J	Tahmoor
K	The Oaks - Belimbla Park – Glenmore
L	Thirlmere – Lakesland
M	Wallacia - Warragamba – Silverdale

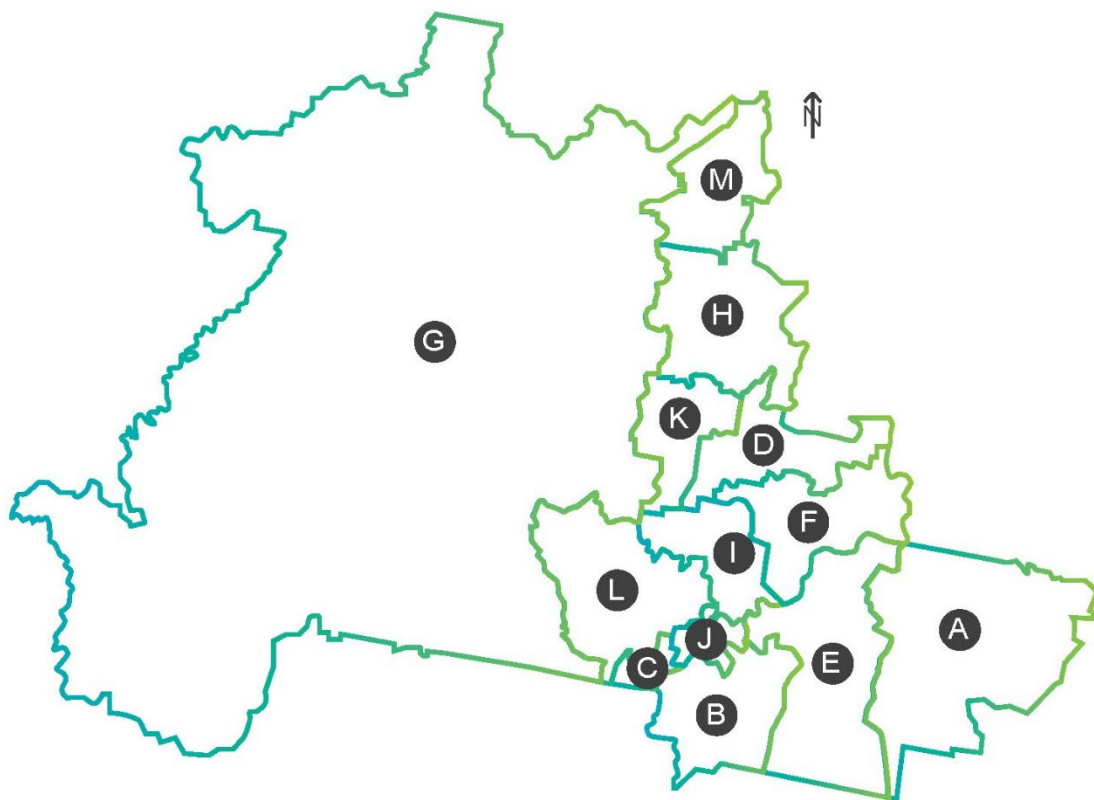


Figure 3: Planning Precincts

Benefits of Sport and Recreation

It is well recognised that sport and recreation activities provide social benefits, health benefits and economic benefits. Councils are key contributors through the provision of Council assets, including facilities and playing areas along with the provision of services and support. Without fit for purpose facilities being available, sport and recreation clubs, groups and community organisations would not be able to exist, grow and prosper.

Social benefits are realised by bringing people together and providing opportunities for social interaction. Clubs and organisations provide a network and sense of belonging, drawing together people of different backgrounds, ages, religions, and cultures. Sport and recreation clubs foster community pride and are the hub of community life. Clubs and organisations create volunteer opportunities to develop life skills and leadership abilities, contribute to lifelong learning and assist with finding work/life balance.

Health benefits are realised through increased physical activity, reduced obesity, reduced incidence of non-communicable disease and improved mental health. This results in reduced healthcare costs and eases pressure on the healthcare system. Reducing the incidence of disease extends life, reduces the rate of early mortality, and increases quality of life.

Economic benefits are generated through creation of opportunities for events and tourism, particularly drawing participants, officials, and spectators who contribute significantly to the visitor economy. Economic benefits also arise from construction, maintenance and operation of sport and recreation facilities, and the creation of short- and long-term employment activities. Sport and recreation also contributes to increased productivity of those who are physically active and healthy.

While the benefits of sport and recreation are particularly difficult to quantify, significant efforts have been made to quantify and publish the benefits of Australia's sport sector, as illustrated in Figure 4.



Close to **12 million** Australians participate in sport annually



A further **3.4 million** are involved in sport through non-playing roles (volunteering, coaching, officiating, administration)



Sport generates **2-3%** of Australia's gross domestic product



220,000 people are employed across the sports sector

Figure 4: Benefits of Australia's Sport Sector

Source: *Australian Sports Commission 2019 – 2022 Corporate Plan*

Value of Community Sport Infrastructure

Community sport infrastructure has an annual value of more than \$16.2 billion and beyond economic gains, it fosters increased productivity, enhances health, and cultivates invaluable social connections, as illustrated in Figure 5.

Value of Community Sport Infrastructure



Community sport infrastructure generates an annual value of more than **\$16.2 billion** to Australia, and **\$6.3 billion** worth of economic benefit

Plus construction, maintenance and operation of community sport infrastructure, **and** increased productivity of those who are physically active as a result of such infrastructure



\$4.9 billion worth of health benefit

Plus personal benefits to those who are less likely to contract a range of health conditions which are known to be associated with physical inactivity

Plus the benefits to the health system from a healthier population

And benefits to the health system from a healthier population



\$5.1 billion worth of social benefit

Plus increased human capital resulting from the social interactions that are facilitated by community sport infrastructure

And the broader community benefits of providing green space



Community sport infrastructure is supported by **56.5 million** hours of volunteer time annually, and is used by **8 million** people annually

Figure 5: Value of Community Sport Infrastructure

Source: *The Value of Community Sport Infrastructure (KPMG, 2018)*

Participation, Demographics and Trend Analysis

In order to strategically plan for sport and recreation, an understanding is required of the defining characteristics. This section provides a summary of the key participation, demographics, and trend analysis across the industry in Australia.

Trends

The CSIRO's 2022 report entitled *The Future of Australian Sport* identified six global sporting 'megatrends' that will likely influence the Australian sport sector over the next 30 years:

- Escalate The Exercise
- New Horizons
- The Next Arena
- Mind The Gap
- Our Best Sporting Side
- The Perfect Pivot.

In the contemporary landscape of sport and recreation, various prevailing trends, alongside the six global sporting megatrends identified by organisations like Sport Australia, are projected to shape the future of sport and recreation. These trends notably include:

- New pathways to sport, often through individualised activities
- Science and technology, altering the nature of the game
- Imperatives for safety, sustainable, and inclusive for all
- Rising cost of sport participation
- Increasing participation of female in traditionally male dominated sports
- Sport becoming increasingly professional and commercial.

Factors Influencing Women

A recent publication on Clearinghouse for Sport published a report using Ausplay 2023 and ABS 2023 data on what motivates girls and women to participate in sport and physical activity.

Several factors are particularly pertinent to, or highly influential on, the participation of women and girls:

- **Facilities:** Access to convenient and safe facilities, equipped with appropriate amenities, is crucial for attracting and retaining women and girls.
- **Physical Literacy:** Cultural and social influences may limit opportunities for women and girls to develop physical literacy.
- **Role Models:** Role models can inspire women and girls to engage in sports and adopt more active lifestyles.
- **Socio-cultural Factors:** A multifaceted interplay of social and cultural elements can influence the decision to participate in sports.
- **Uniforms:** The availability of suitable uniforms is paramount in instilling confidence in women and girls to be active participants in sports.

The Office of Sport has also designed a series of initiatives across four strategic pillars in *Her Sport Her Way Strategy*. These are:

- Participation
- Places and Spaces
- Leveraging Investment
- Leadership.

The 'Her Sport Her Way' lens has been applied to each pillar to achieve the vision of enabling women and girls to be valued, recognised and have equal choices and opportunities to lead and participate in sport in NSW.

Participation Rates

Participation rates in sport and recreation across Australia are monitored through the national *AusPlay* survey. In line with the national trends, the top five activities among NSW adults in 2023 were primarily individual fitness pursuits that fit into people’s increasingly busy lifestyles. While organised sport is less popular, Football/Soccer, Tennis, Golf, Basketball, Cricket feature within the top fifteen activities.

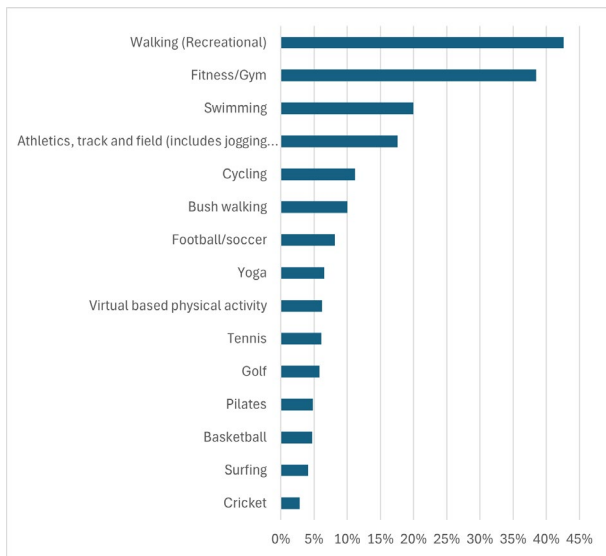


Figure 6: Top 15 Activities, NSW Adults 2023

According to the national *Ausplay* statistics, the participation rates for several sports not mentioned in the top 15 in NSW are as follows: Australian Football 2.90%, Volleyball 1.80%, Badminton 1.70%, Touch Football 1.50%, Hockey 1.00%, Table Tennis 0.90%, Rugby League 0.90%, Squash 0.80%, Rugby Union 0.70%, OzTag 0.40%, Baseball 0.30% and Softball 0.20%.

Children participate in sport and recreation at different rates than adults. For example, their involvement in swimming is significantly higher than that of adults and is overall generally higher in sports such as football/soccer and basketball. Children also participate in activities such as gymnastics and dancing at higher levels. The top 15 organised activities for children in NSW are shown in Figure 7.

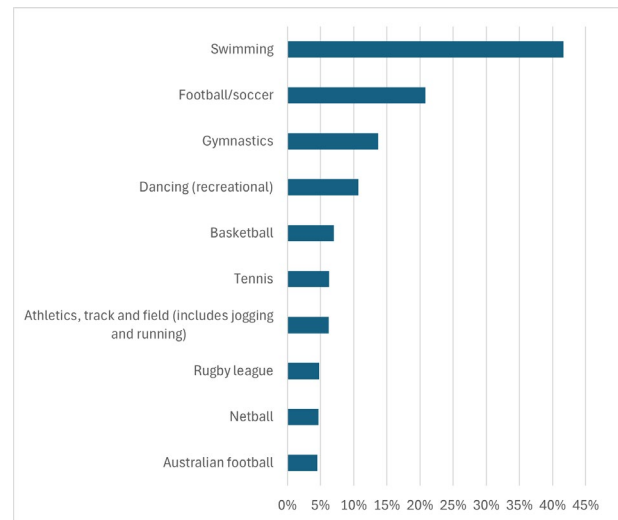


Figure 7: Top 10 Organised Activities, NSW Children 2023

In comparison, the national *Ausplay* statistics reveal that Swimming, Football/soccer, Gymnastics, Basketball, Dancing (recreational), Australian Football, Netball, Tennis, Athletics, track and field (includes jogging and running) and cricket are the most popular.

Demographics

A primary consideration for the Shire is the growth forecast for Wilton Growth Area and Appin Growth Area. By 2051 the combined population is expected to reach 115,420 people, more than double the current size of Wollondilly LGA.

As the population accelerates, there will be a heightened demand for sport and recreation facilities, necessitating expansion and enhancement to meet evolving needs.

Examining the demographics of neighbouring Camden, Campbelltown, Wollongong which have experienced similar growth patterns, indicates a diversification of ancestry to include residents of Indian, Bengali/Bangladeshi, Macedonian, Filipino, Chinese and Samoan background. This demographic shift may suggest potential changes in sport and recreational preferences.

The Shire currently has a higher proportion of children (under 18) and persons aged 60 or older than Greater Sydney (Profile ID 2021). This demographic trend is expected to continue as families move into the new growth areas. The ageing population also presents a significant consideration in addressing evolving needs within the realm of sport and recreation, necessitating tailored strategies to cater to diverse age demographics.

Demand

A demand analysis for key sports was conducted using the ActiveXchange SportsEye Platform. This platform allows for socio-economic and demographic profiling, along with an extensive lifestyle profiling database, applying 785 indicators to every household in Wollondilly to align with sport and activity demand. It also incorporates population growth forecasts and recent sport trends.

The analysis offers unique insights due to established data-sharing partnerships and access to actual club participation levels.

The key findings from the analysis reveal the actual membership and current demand for various sports relevant to the Shire, as well as the projected demand for 2030.

The top five sports for current membership and demand will be:

- Football (soccer)
- Rugby league
- Netball
- Basketball
- Gymnastics.

By 2030, the top five sports will be:

- Football (soccer)
- Cricket
- Basketball
- Rugby league
- Netball.

The current members and demand, current gap, conversion rate and 2030 demand for various sporting activities within the Shire of Wollondilly are displayed in Table 9. The leading sports are highlighted using sporting icons.

SportsEye Explainer

Total Members - Individual count of unique, playing members who have registered with the chosen sport, in the specified period and who reside in the selected geographic area.

Current Demand - Individual count of person(s) deemed to have a high propensity to participate in the chosen sport, in Wollondilly. Each sporting code has a unique demand profile, based on the attitudes, interests, beliefs and demography of their existing members. Demand reflects the potential market, finding similar/look-a-like audience of those who are actively participating in the sport.

ActiveXchange append the membership data received from each sporting organisation (DOB, Gender, Residential Address), against various third-party publicly available sources (e.g. Census, SEIFA Index) as well as third-party licensed data sources, including Experian's Mosaic Data Package.

ActiveXchange then creates a unique demand profile for each sport and extrapolates this unique demand profile across the selected area. The sum total of those who fit a similar profile becomes the demand count.

Current Gap - Individual count of person(s) difference between "Current Demand" and "Total Members".











Projected Gap in 2030 - Individual count of person(s) different between "Future Demand" and "Total Members".

Future Demand - Individual count of persons deemed to have a high propensity to participate in the chosen sport, in your selected area by 2030.

Utilising future population forecasts, existing member demographics and the unique demand profile for each sport, to estimate future demand at household level, which is visualised at SA2 level in the platform. Using the unique profile generated for each sport and the current relative participation rate, ActiveXchange then factors in projected population growth from trusted sources (such as ABS, ForecastID), to predict the "Future Demand".

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Table 9: Current members and demand, current gap and future demand for various sporting activities within the Shire of Wollondilly, SportsEye.

Sport	Current Members	Current Demand	Current Gap	Conversion Rate	2030 Demand
AFL	271	430	159	63%	528
Athletics	37	95	58	39%	117
Baseball	171	416	245	41%	508
Basketball	494 	1797	1303	27%	2202 
Cricket	329	2043	1714	16%	2502 
Football (soccer)	2400 	3230	830	74%	3957 
Gymnastics	481 	861	380	56%	1055
Hockey	170	333	163	51%	409
Little Athletics	430	582	152	74%	716
Netball	1076 	1346	270	80%	1650 
Pony Club	198	377	179	53%	463
Rugby League	1453 	1462	9	99%	1793 
Softball	94	230	136	41%	283
Swimming	164	268	104	61%	328
Tennis	155	618	463	25%	756
Touch Football	156	648	492	24%	795
Volleyball	3	117	114	3%	142
Water Polo	7	205	198	3%	251

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Audit



Audit Process

Prior to undertaking the site audits, the first step of the process was to identify all existing sport and recreation facilities for inclusion in the facilities inventory. This initial audit process involved comprehensive desktop research and collation and review of information regarding the existing sport and recreation facilities in the Shire. Aerial mapping programs were used to confirm the existence of each sport and recreation facility.

The subsequent site audits were undertaken. The site audits provided a detailed understanding of the existing sport and recreation facilities across the Shire including their condition, functionality, and key infrastructure. The site audits also helped to verify the key issues and opportunities. The spatial information, data and findings from the field were collected and documented. The additional information gathered from the site audits was then added to the facilities inventory.

Facilities Inventory

The facilities inventory of existing sport and recreation facilities across the Shire have been prepared based on information drawn from:

- Council website and key documents
- Aerial imagery
- Site audits to key facilities
- Consultation.

The facilities inventory encompasses all the existing sport and recreation facilities within the Shire, based on existing information and data. The facilities inventory does not include the following types of facilities:

- Community facilities (i.e. halls, community centres, senior citizen clubs)
- Parks (natural areas, pocket parks without recreation facilities)
- School facilities
- Privately owned facilities (i.e. fitness centres/gyms, Bingara Gorge, Picton Bowling Club)
- Trails.

Facility by Locality

The following existing community sport and recreation facilities, along with playgrounds are categorised by profile id planning districts with unique reference numbers. Further details relating to each facility are included in Appendix A: Facility Inventory.

Note: Some parks in Table 10 lack unique reference numbers because they do not have any sport or recreation infrastructure. They are referred to only in the Strategy and Implementation Plan - Action 17.5.

Table 10: Facilities by Locality (Profile.ID Precincts)

A: Appin - Cataract - Darkes Forest		J: Tahmoor	
A1	Appin AIS Sportsground	J1	Tahmoor District Sporting Complex
A2	Appin Park	J2	Emmett Park
A3	William Woods Reserve Playground	J3	Ibbotson St Reserve Playground
A4	Heritage Drive Playground	J4	Tahmoor Community Centre Playground
B: Bargo - Yanderra - Pheasants Nest		J5	Progress St Park Playground
B1	Bargo Sportsground	J6	The Acres Park
B2	Bargo Community Park Playground	K: The Oaks - Belimbla Park - Glenmore	
B3	Birrahlee Park	K1	Dudley Chesham Sportsground
C: Buxton – Couridjah		K2	Browns Rd Reserve Playground
C1	Telopea Park	K3	W.S Williams Park Playground
D: Camden Park - Mount Hunter – Cawdor		K4	Gundungurra Park Playground
D1	Cubbitch Barta Reserve	K5	Harold Noakes Park Playground
D2	Peppercorn Park Playground	K6	Barrallier Park Water Play Facility
E: Wilton		K7	Fisher Street Playground
E1	Wilton Recreation Reserve	L: Thirlmere – Lakesland	
F: Menangle – Razorback - Douglas Park		L1	Thirlmere Sportsground (including Thirlmere Memorial Park)
F1	Dean McGrath Park Playground	M: Wallacia - Warragamba – Silverdale	
F2	Rotolactor Park Playground	M1	Warragamba Sportsground
F3	Menangle Old School Site	M2	Warragamba Swimming Pool (Mary Walker Memorial Swimming Pool)
F4	Douglas Park Sportsground	M3	Warragamba Waterboard Oval (including Warragamba Recreation Reserve)
F5	Camden Road Reserve Playground	M4	Dunbar St Reserve Playground
G: Oakdale - Nattai - National Park		M5	Eugenie Byrne Park Playground
G1	Willis Park	M6	Lake Victoria Way Playground
G2	Oakdale Community Hall Park	M7	Warragamba Civic Park Playground
H: Orangeville - Theresa Park – Werombi			
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I: Picton - Mowbray Park – Maldon			
I1	Hume Oval		
I2	Victoria Park		
I3	Picton Sportsground		
I4	Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre		
I5	Botanic Gardens Playground		
I6	Wild Street Playground		
I7	Picton RSL Park Playground		

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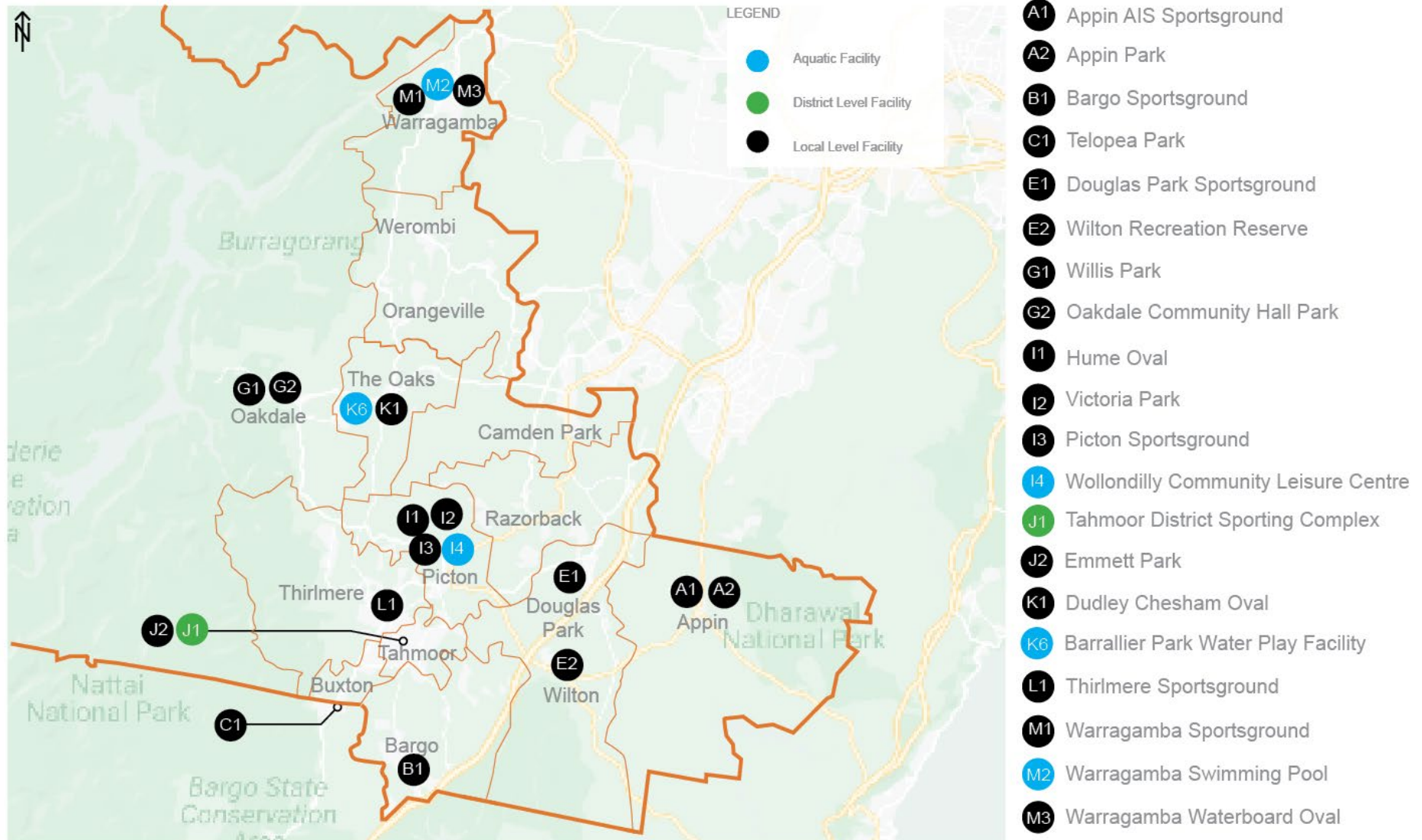


Figure 8: Key Sport and Recreation Facility Location Map

Facilities by Type

Table 11 below represents the facility type, the location and the number of places where the facility type is available within the Shire. Further details relating to each facility are included in Appendix A: Facility Inventory.

Table 11: Facilities by Type

Facility Type	Location	Quantity
Athletic Sites (Track and Field)	Douglas Park Sportsground, Tahmoor District Sporting Complex & Warragamba Sportsground	3
Sportsground Sites	Appin AIS Sportsground, Appin Park, Bargo Sportsground, Douglas Park Sportsground, Wilton Recreation Reserve, Willis Park, Hume Oval, Victoria Park, Picton Sportsground, Tahmoor District Sporting Complex, Dudley Chesham Sportsground, Thirlmere Sportsground, Warragamba Sportsground & Warragamba Waterboard Oval.	14
Indoor courts	Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre	2
Netball courts	Appin AIS Sportsground, Wilton Recreation Reserve, Tahmoor District Sporting Complex, Dudley Chesham Sportsground, Warragamba Sportsground	19
Basketball courts (outdoor)	Appin Park, Hume Oval & Warragamba Recreation Reserve	3
Tennis courts	Appin AIS Sportsground, Appin Park, Bargo Sportsground, Douglas Park Sportsground, Wilton Recreation Reserve, Oakdale Community Hall Park, Hume Oval, Emmett Park, Dudley Chesham Sportsground, Cubbitch Barta Reserve, Thirlmere Memorial Park & Warragamba Sportsground.	30
Multi-purpose outdoor courts	Douglas Park Sportsground, Wilton Recreation Reserve, Cubbitch Barta Reserve, Oakdale Community Hall Park & The Acres Park	6
Half Court	Telopea Park, Old Menangle School Site, Warragamba Sportsground & Birralee Park.	4
Cricket Nets	Bargo Sportsground, Telopea Park, Hume Oval, Tahmoor District Sporting Complex, Thirlmere Sportsground & Dudley Chesham Sportsground.	10
Cricket Pitches (cement/synthetic)	Appin AIS Sportsground, Bargo Sportsground, Willis Park, Hume Oval, Picton Sportsground, Tahmoor District Sporting Complex and Dudley Chesham Sportsground.	8
Cricket Pitches (turf)	Tahmoor District Sporting Complex	1
Fitness Equipment Sites	Appin Park, Bargo Sportsground, Birralee Park, Telopea Park, Peppercorn Park, Douglas Park Sportsground, Wilton Recreation Reserve, Menangle Old School Site, Willis Park, Cubbitch Barta Reserve, The Acres, Hume Oval, Emmett Park, Dudley Chesham Sportsground & Fisher Street Playground.	15

Facility Type	Location	Quantity
Play Space Sites	Appin AIS Sportsground, Appin Park, William Woods Reserve Playground, Heritage Drive Playground, Bargo Sportsground, Bargo Community Park Playground, Birralee Park, Telopea Park, Cubbitch Barta Reserve, Peppercorn Park, Douglas Park Sportsground, Wilton Recreation Reserve, Wilton Community Centre Playground, Camden Road Reserve Playground, Dean McGrath Park Playground, Rotolactor Park Playground, Menangle Old School Site, Willis Park, Botanic Gardens Playground, Wild Street Playground, Picton RSL Park Playground, Tahmoor District Sporting Complex, Emmett Park, Ibbotson St Reserve Playground, Tahmoor Community Centre Playground, Progress St Park Playground, The Acres Park, Dudley Chesham Sportsground, Browns Rd Reserve Playground, W S Williams Park Playground, Gundungurra Park Playground, Harold Noakes Park Playground, Fisher Street Playground, Thirlmere Memorial Park, Warragamba Recreation Reserve, Dunbar St Reserve Playground, Eugenie Byrne Park Playground, Lake Victoria Way Playground and Warragamba Civic Playground.	37
Skate Park	Appin Park, Bargo Sportsground, Telopea Park, Tahmoor District Sporting Complex, Dudley Chesham Sportsground and Warragamba Sportsground.	7
Splash Pad	Barrallier Park Water Play Facility	1
Swimming Pool Sites	Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre, Warragamba Swimming Pool (Mary Walker Memorial Swimming Pool)	2
Trotting Track (inactive)	Bargo Sportsground	1
Greyhound Track	Thirlmere Sportsground	1
Pony Club Sites	Dudley Chesham Sportsground & Tahmoor District Sporting Complex	2

Condition Rating

The condition of facilities across the Shire’s network varies considerably. Each venue has been given a rating to reflect an assessment of its current condition. The condition assessment ratings use the system outlined in the Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia’s (IPWEA) *Condition Assessment and Asset Performance Guidelines*.

The percentage of venues which fall within each of the five condition rating categories is outlined in table 12 (excluding play spaces).

Table 12: Facilities Condition Rating

Rating	Description of Condition	Percentage
1	Very Good Condition: Only normal maintenance required	5%
2	Minor Defects Only: minor maintenance required (5%)	5%
3	Maintenance Required: significant maintenance required (10 - 20%)	16%
4	Requires Renewal: significant upgrade/renewal required (20 - 40%)	53%
5	Asset unserviceable: over 50% of asset requires replacement	0%
	Under Construction	21%

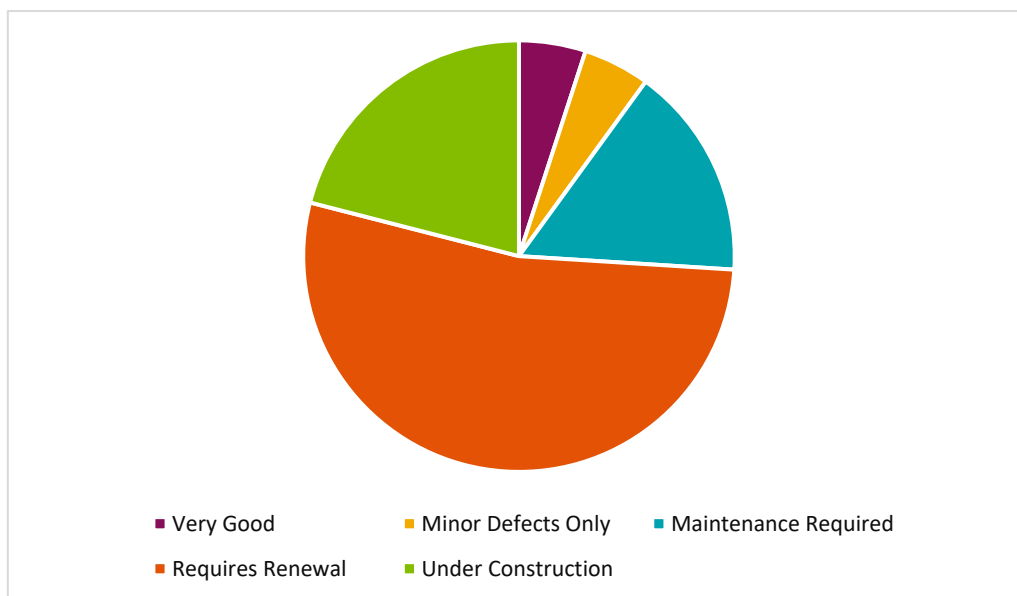


Figure 9: Shire of Wollondilly – Facilities Condition Rating

Land Tenure/Management

Land tenure/management has been informed by Council's geospatial data. The categories of land tenure and management which have been identified are provided in Table 13.

The purpose of the Sportsground Volunteer Engagement Panels is to support Council's objectives for the effective management of its sportsgrounds. The group serves as a key point of contact between Council's Facilities Team and user groups, enabling engagement on relevant issues and priorities at each facility. It also provides user representation, offering input and advice on the needs, interests, and perspectives of facility users. Additionally, the group contributes to the planning, delivery, and evaluation of site-specific projects, events, and other related activities.

Table 13: Land Tenure/Management

Category	Venue Examples
Council owned and managed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appin AIS Sportsground • Telopea Park • Willis Park • Oakdale Community Hall Park • Hume Oval • Picton Sportsground • Emmett Park • Dudley Chesham Sportsground • Barrallier Park Water Play • Warragamba Sportsground • Warragamba Swimming Pool • Warragamba Waterboard Oval
Council owned – Contracted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre Leisure • Antill Park Golf Club
Crown owned - Council managed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Victoria Park (part) • Appin Park • Bargo Sportsground (part) • Wilton Recreation Reserve
Crown owned - Council managed and Sportsground Volunteer Engagement Panels.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Douglas Park Sportsground • Tahmoor District Sporting Complex • Thirlmere Sportsground
Club owned and managed	Picton Bowling Club, Bingara Gorge Golf Club, Bargo Sports Club, Warragamba Sports Club, Oakdale Workers Club
Privately owned and managed	Dance Studios, gyms, indoor sports venues, outdoor recreation like go kart track.

Facilities Hierarchy

Establishing a hierarchy of sport and recreation facilities assists in the review of existing facilities, and the planning of new facilities. This is particularly important when assessing service levels for each class of facility and in obtaining external funding, as many of the funding programs are aligned to one or more levels of a facility hierarchy.

The hierarchy can be used to guide the strategic distribution of facilities and to ensure that service levels are appropriate to the intended level of usage and the population catchment which is catered for. The hierarchy levels for sport and recreation facilities align with the Office of Sport's hierarchy classifications and are outlined in Table 14.

Table 14: Facilities Hierarchy Overview

Classification	Overview
International	International facilities that meet requirements to conduct training and/or competitive events at an international level and draws users from international locations.
National	National facilities that meet requirements to conduct training and/or competitive events at a national level. A facility that draws users from across Australia.
State	State facilities that meet requirements to conduct training and/or competitive events at a state level. A facility that has a unique/high profile attraction that attracts people from wide catchments across NSW or beyond.
Regional (Shire-wide)	Regional facilities integrate competition and recreation. They should be accessible, with links to transport, commercial and community centres. The primary catchment of regional facilities are local users with an extended catchment across multiple local government areas, primarily for competition and events. They include regional sporting hubs, regionally significant sport facilities and sport and recreation centres. <i>Note: The Wilton Community Needs Assessment (2023) refers to Shire-wide which aligns with the criteria for Regional Classification.</i>
District	District facilities cater for association competition, hosting local finals or acting as a central venue for regular competition for multiple clubs and/or teams. They comprise a mix of recreational, competitive and program formats. The primary catchment area includes local communities within a single local government area.
Local	Local facilities service the needs of the local community and sporting clubs for home and away fixtures, recreational sport, training activities and participation programs. The primary catchment area includes local townships or single suburbs.
Neighbourhood	Neighbourhood facilities are small sites in local communities that provide basic facilities and landscape treatments. They are typically provided in residential settings and have limited or constrained function for multiple activities. The primary catchment area is usually within walking distance of most users.

The Shire boasts a diverse range of sport and recreation facilities, classified into district, local and neighbourhood levels to serve the community's varied needs. There are no international, national, state or regional facilities.

The district level facilities are:

- Tahmoor District Sporting Complex
- Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre
- Botanic Gardens Playground
- Warragamba Civic Park Playground (Livvi's Place).

The local level facilities are:

- Appin AIS Sportsground
- Appin Park
- Bargo Sportsground
- Douglas Park Sportsground
- Wilton Recreation Reserve
- Willis Park
- Oakdale Community Hall Park
- Hume Oval
- Victoria Park
- Picton Sportsground
- Tahmoor District Sporting Complex
- Emmett Park
- The Acres Park
- Dudley Chesham Sportsground
- Barrallier Park Water Play Facility
- Thirlmere Sportsground (including Thirlmere Memorial Park)
- Warragamba Sportsground
- Warragamba Swimming Pool (Mary Walker Memorial Swimming Pool)
- Warragamba Waterboard Oval (including Warragamba Recreation Reserve).

The remainder of the facilities are classified as neighbourhood.

Figure 10 illustrates the number of facilities throughout the Shire and their hierarchy classifications.

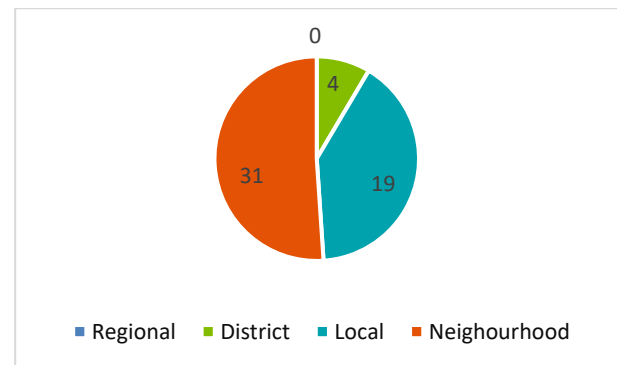


Figure 10: Number of Facilities by Hierarchy Classification

03

Consultation



Consultation Process

The consultation undertaken as part of the Strategy was guided by a Communication and Consultation Plan which was developed at the beginning of the project. The objective was to ensure that the community and key stakeholders had the opportunity to contribute to the development of the Community Sport & Recreation Needs Strategy, and to ensure that the values and aspirations of the community and stakeholders are reflected.

Key findings which emerged from the consultation processes are located in Table 17 and Table 18. A snapshot was developed and published on Your Say Wollondilly. This is provided as Appendix B.

The following mechanisms were used to engage with the community and key stakeholders:

- Community Online Survey
- Club/Association Online Survey
- Community Workshop (in person)
- Community Workshops (online)
- Councillor Workshop
- Key Stakeholder Interviews

A Project Information Flyer (refer Figure 11) was developed which provided an overview of the project background and information regarding the various engagement mechanisms. It featured a QR code that linked to *Your Say Wollondilly*. Promotion was carried out through Facebook posts, internal communications, Facebook Live, project information flyers through mobile library and Dilly Wanderer, ensuring widespread community awareness.

YOUR SAY Wollondilly

COMMUNITY SPORT AND RECREATION NEEDS STRATEGY

Community Consultation

PROJECT BACKGROUND

Wollondilly Shire Council in conjunction with Tredwell Management is preparing a Community Sport and Recreation Needs Strategy. This initiative aims to consider in depth the future development and upgrade of existing sports and recreation facilities within our community. The strategy will encompass provisions for both active and structured sport and recreation, as well as passive recreation activities.

This strategy's scope may include indoor recreation facilities, sports grounds, hard courts (sports courts/multi-sport courts), exercise equipment, playgrounds, skate/scooter/bike experiences and nature play areas.

The primary objective is to develop a forward thinking Community Sport and Recreation Needs Strategy to address the challenges of a changing community profile, urbanisation of rural areas and pressures on existing community sport and recreational infrastructure.

Your insights and contributions are invaluable to the success of this project. We invite you to engage with us by participating in our upcoming:

- Community Workshop or Virtual Workshop
- Online Survey

YOUR SAY WOLLONDILLY

Scan the QR Code to access Your Say Wollondilly, where you can find additional project details, participate in the survey and register for the online community workshop.

HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

You are invited to an in-person community workshop.

- Venue: Wollondilly Shire Hall, Bottlebrush Room, 52 Menangle St, Picton
- Date: Wednesday 10th April 2024
- Time: 6.30pm - 8pm
- Register: admin@tredwell.com.au

ONLINE COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

If you can't attend our in-person community workshop please join us online for one of our virtual zoom workshops.

- Date: Thursday 11th April 2024
- Time: 6.30pm - 8pm
- Date: Thursday 18th April 2024
- Time: 1pm - 2.30pm
- Register: Your Say Wollondilly

ONLINE SURVEY

Take a 10 minute online survey available on Your Say Wollondilly. The survey will be open for input from the 22nd March until 22nd April 2024.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For any further information regarding this project, please contact Wollondilly Shire Council on 4677 1100.

Wollondilly Shire Council **TREDWELL** **YOUR SAY Wollondilly**

Figure 11: Project Information Flyer

Community Online Survey

The online community survey was open for input 22nd of March to the 22nd of April 2024 and received 31 responses, with one additional late submission. Of the respondents 71% were female and 29% male. The majority of people who responded were between the age of 35-49 years (71%).

Table 15 shows the top 12 types of sport and recreation activities in which respondents participated, based on the highest daily participation (at least 5 days a week), followed by those participated in at least once a week, and then at least monthly. These activities reflect current trends in individualised pursuits.

Activity	Daily	Weekly	Monthly
Dog Walking	13	1	6
Walking	12	10	3
Fitness/gym (indoor)	8	8	3
Soccer	7	8	-
Jogging/running	5	7	7
Athletics	4	9	-
Fitness/gym (outdoor)	4	10	4
Swimming	3	15	6
Play (playgrounds)	3	15	4
Yoga/Pilates	2	4	1
Bushwalking	1	5	14
Oztag	1	7	3

Table 15: Participation Rates

When indicating the level of agreement with the statement *'I am satisfied with the sport and recreation programs (i.e. sports programs, fitness programs, tailored programs on interest) offered within the Wollondilly Shire'* just over a quarter of respondents stated strongly agree or agree.

Just over a quarter of respondents expressed satisfaction, with nearly half indicating neutrality, while the remaining quarter conveyed dissatisfaction.

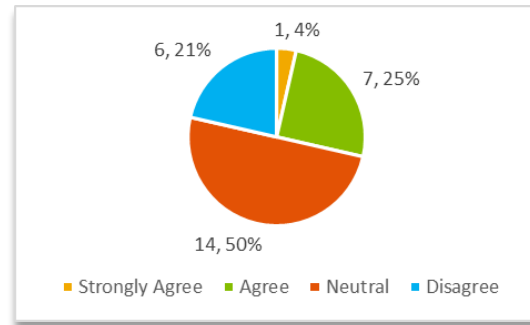


Figure 12: Program Satisfaction Level

Given the limited sample size, age, and gender breakdown the usage information relating to sport and recreation facilities within the Wollondilly Shire reflects the characteristics of this specific group. Despite this limitation, the survey captured a spectrum of facility usage, with participation levels ranging from frequent daily use to infrequent/never.

The attributes that respondents like about sport and recreation facility that they regularly use within Wollondilly Shire include aspects such as:

- Landscape (natural bush setting, rural)
- Community focus (social connections)
- Diverse activities
- Proximity (accessible)
- Parking
- Well-maintained
- Uncrowded.

The issues, constraints and potential enhancements related to the sport and recreation facility frequently used within Wollondilly Shire have been considered.

The survey asked respondents to indicate their level of agreement with various statements. The strongest agreement level (strongly agree/agree) related to:

'Sport and recreation are an important aspect of our community'.

While the strongest disagree level (strongly disagree/disagree) related to:

'The existing sport and recreation facilities are meeting my needs (eg sportsgrounds, indoor recreation centre, skate parks, playgrounds)'.

Club/Association Online Survey

The club/organisation online survey was active between the 22nd of March to the 29th of April 2024. The survey was distributed to a president and/or secretary of clubs/organisations within the Shire.

Throughout this period, the survey attracted 33 responses from the following clubs/organisations:

- Scouts NSW, Hume Region
- Tahmoor Soccer Club
- Wollondilly Netball Association
- Bargo Bunnies JRLFC
- Bargo Bunnies Masters
- Born To Ride Freestyle Association Inc
- Thirlmere Tahmoor Roosters JRLFC
- Appin RLFC
- The Oaks Netball Club
- The Oaks Burraborang Cricket Club
- Warragamba Senior Rugby League FC
- Bargo Yanderra Tennis Club
- Warradale FC
- Burraborang District Soccer Club
- The Oaks Pony Club
- Warragamba Netball Club Inc
- Thirlmere Tahmoor Junior Rugby League
- Tahmoor District Cricket Club
- Wollondilly Little Athletics Centre
- Douglas Park Wilton Physical Culture Club
- Wollondilly Knights Senior AFL Club
- Picton Rangers Soccer Club
- Tessa Elise Performance Training
- Douglas Park Sportsground Volunteer Engagement Panel
- Warragamba Wombats JRLFC
- The Oaks JRLFC
- Wollondilly Karate
- Wollondilly All Breeds Kennel Club Inc
- Thirlmere Oval Sportsground Volunteer Engagement Panel
- Celtic Explosion Scottish Dance Group
- Wollondilly Junior Australian FC
- Douglas Park Tennis Club
- The Oaks Senior Rugby League Club.

The key findings from the survey include:

Table 16: Overall Satisfaction with Facility

Satisfaction	Number
Very Good	3
Good	13
Fair	10
Poor	4
Very Poor	2
No Answer	1

Eleven of the clubs reported that they had strategic plans prepared or were in the process of preparing plans, such as master plan, concept plan or business plan.

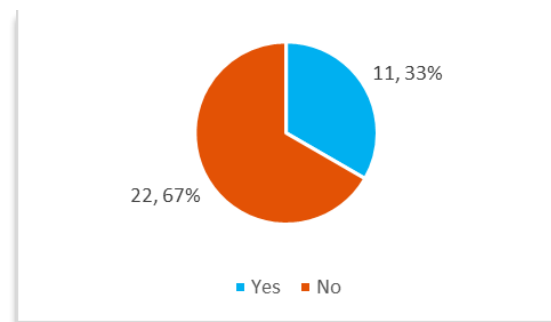


Figure 13: Club/Association Plans

All clubs/associations have pledged their support towards achieving the Council's resolution of a '50/50 gender participation ratio in sport locally and the use of Council facilities by the year 2032'. The majority of these clubs are actively working towards this objective; however, it is acknowledged that some codes may face challenges in meeting this goal due to established participation patterns and gender disparities in sport. Examples of their efforts include:

'This year we have our first ever Under 9s girls team, the first in western Sydney. We have also started an all Girls Auskick Program with the support of AFL NSW'

'We have female only tackle and league tag teams. We also have mixed teams for those females wishing to play in a mixed team'.

'Committee members are all female, all genders are welcome at our club'.

Community Workshops

The Community Engagement Sessions were held on:

- Wednesday 10 April (6.30 - 8pm); in person at the Shire Hall
- Thursday 11 April (6.30 - 8pm); on-line
- Thursday 18 April (1pm - 2.30pm); on-line.

The combined attendance across the three workshops amounted to 21 individuals, representing various clubs, organisations, or interest groups, as noted below:

- Rugby League
- Australian Rules Football
- Oztag
- Football (Soccer)
- Baseball
- Cricket
- Little Athletics
- Netball
- Karate
- Dog Agility
- Go 4 Fun Program.



Photo: Community Workshop

Key Stakeholder Interviews

Tredwell conducted the key stakeholder interviews in April 2024. The interviews were held online via Microsoft Teams with representatives from relevant State Sporting Organisations (SSOs), associations and state government departments.

The key stakeholder interviews provided relevant organisations the opportunity to provide input and share different perspectives regarding sport and recreation in the Shire to inform the Sport and Recreation Needs Strategy.

The key stakeholder interviews were conducted with the following:

- Office of Sport, NSW
- Cricket NSW
- Football NSW
- South-West Sydney Academy of Sport
- Tennis NSW
- School Infrastructure NSW
- Macarthur Football Association
- South-West Sydney Local Health District
- NSW Rugby
- Wollondilly Razorbacks Basketball
- Gymnastic NSW (via Gymtastic)
- Netball NSW
- Basketball NSW
- Wollondilly Netball Association
- AFL NSW/ACT
- Little Athletics NSW
- Wollondilly Shire Council Strategy Team
- Wollondilly Shire Council Community Development Team.

Key Findings

The themes which emerged from the consultation processes are outlined in the tables below with regards to key positive feedback (Table 17) and key issues (Table 18). Site-specific findings have been included in Appendix A: Facility Inventory.

Table 17: Positive Themes


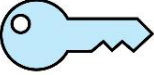
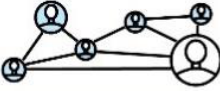


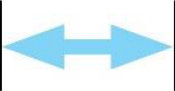





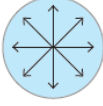







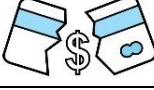


	Appreciation of natural landscape (bush setting, rural).
	Accessibility and location of facilities.
	Community and social benefits.
	Success of recent upgrades to facilities.
	Facility components tailored to each site.
	Wide range of activities and facilities.
	Club relationships, participating in mutually supportive endeavours.
	Increase in female participation in non-traditional sports.
	Organisation and management provided by volunteers.
	Friendly environments created by clubs and user groups.

Table 18: Key Issues

	Increasing population (i.e. Wilton and Appin Growth Areas)
	Restrictions in new growth areas (i.e. topography, land size)
	Need for new facility developments to meet future demand (i.e. multi-use precincts & indoor sports facilities)
	Challenges relating to ageing or poorly designed facilities
	Insufficient capacity at particular existing sport and recreation facilities
	Lack of all access and female friendly community sport facilities
	Programs not meeting community demand (incl. sports on the rise)
	Travel to neighbouring LGA's to access particular sport and recreation opportunities
	Climate impacts (i.e. sportsground closures due to drainage)
	Maintenance demands and required upgrades
	Increasing pressures on volunteers
	Unable to cater for sports tourism (i.e. limit accommodation)

04

Supply and Demand Analysis



04 Supply and Demand Analysis

Providing for Population Growth

The Shire is anticipating substantial population growth in the coming decades, largely due to housing developments in the Wilton and Appin growth areas. This will require comprehensive planning to ensure the supply of sport and recreation facilities meets the demand.

The Wilton Community Needs Study 2023 highlights that Wollondilly's population will more than double by 2051, and that strategically located sport and recreational infrastructure is needed to promote healthy and socially connected lifestyles.

Wollondilly Shire is poised for growth similar to the recent developments observed in Camden. As Wollondilly anticipates a significant increase in its population, it is expected to experience a demographic shift, resulting in a more diverse and younger community.

The influx of families and individuals seeking affordable housing and a better quality of life in Wollondilly will likely mirror the recent trends seen in Camden, Campbelltown, Liverpool and Wollongong Local Government Areas (LGA's). Young families are likely to be attracted by the promise of new residential developments, affordability, enhanced infrastructure, and the area's natural appeal. This will contribute to a dynamic community profile, with an increase in the number of young children and school-aged residents.

Additionally, the growth in Wollondilly, like Camden, will necessitate the development of comprehensive social and physical infrastructure. Educational facilities, healthcare services, and recreational amenities will need to expand to meet the needs of the burgeoning population.

Supply and Demand Factors

The provision of specialist data analytics relating to the Wollondilly region's sport and recreation requirements have been provided by specialists in this field, ActiveXchange.



The SportsEye Network, established and facilitated by ActiveXchange, uses integrated membership databases and facility inventories from several partners including Sport NSW and various State Sporting Organisations. Where required, this information has been supplemented with local facility and membership information, and participation trends and demographic structures sourced from Sport Australia's AusPlay Participation Data (2019).

Supply factors for the Wollondilly region have been obtained through the development of the Facility Inventory, which includes the following attributes of existing facilities:

- Number
- Capacity
- Hierarchy
- Location/distribution
- Plans in place.

Demand factors assessed have included:

- Up to date member numbers, distribution, and participation rates
- Forecast population forecasts and age structures
- Sport-specific demand segmentation modelling, based on mosaic population segmentations
- Actual and projected future conversion of estimated demand into memberships
- Benchmarking against facility provision and demand conversion in other LGAs
- Sport and recreation participation trends
- Drive-time decay (i.e. propensity to drive certain distances to access facilities)
- Member deprivation scores (i.e. level of affluence).

04 Supply and Demand Analysis

Population Trigger Points

The following population trigger points have been used for forecasting future sport and recreation facility requirements.

For regional (*shire-wide*) and district youth precincts, playgrounds, indoor courts, aquatic centres, and indoor recreation centres the following population trigger points were used.

Table 19: Population Trigger Points (Shire)

LGA	2031	2036	2040
Wollondilly Shire Council	75,044	87,245	98,401

For sports field, netball court, basketball court, tennis facility, multi-purpose outdoor courts, outdoor fitness equipment, youth precincts (skate/bmx) and local playground the population triggers were aligned with the planning precinct.

Table 20: Population Trigger Points (Precincts)

Planning Precinct	2031	2036	2040
Appin Cataract Darkes Forest	10,500	19,500	28,500
Bargo Yanderra Pheasants Nest	6,162	6,162	6,362
Buxton Couridjah	2,195	2,216	2,236
Camden Park Mount Hunter Cawdor	3,126	3,118	3,139
Douglas Park Wilton	20,567	30,249	39,163
Menangle Razorback	2,829	3,066	3,280
Oakdale Nattai National Park	2,357	2,496	2,637
Orangeville Theresa Park Werobi	3,750	3,974	4,227
Picton Mowbray Park Maldon	6,002	6,429	6,874
Tahmoor	6,933	7,424	7,779
The Oaks Belimbla Park Glenmore	3,886	3,947	4,031
Thirlmere Lakesland	6,978	7,242	7,461
Wallacia Warragamba Silverdale	6,828	7,449	7,838

Note: 2040 is the furthest projection provided by Forecast ID

Activity-Specific Provision Needs

To assess the facility provision requirements to cater for anticipated population changes across the Shire, supply and demand factors have been considered where possible across the following sport and recreation activities:

- AFL
- Athletics
- Baseball
- Basketball
- Cricket
- Football (soccer)
- Gymnastics
- Hockey
- Little Athletics
- OzTag.
- Netball
- Pony Club
- Rugby League
- Softball
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Touch Football
- Volleyball
- Water Polo

The Strategy and Implementation Plan outlines the projected future facility requirements and the directions for each of the activities listed above.

This analysis and directions are based on consideration of:

- Supply and demand factors used by ActiveXchange data analytics
- Facility inventory (including location, condition, usage, hierarchy)
- Council, club and community plans and aspirations for the facility network
- Strategic directions of the Federal Government, NSW Government, Council, State Sporting Organisations, clubs, and associations
- Population projections and trigger points
- Trends influencing sport and recreation
- Best-practice facility provision which includes multi-use, adaptable and flexible spaces.

05

Best Practice



Best Practice

The position of ovals, fields, courts, clubhouses, amenities, and affiliated infrastructure can significantly impact functionality, ease of use, access, management, maintenance, and servicing. Each sport should adhere to its respective code's 'Preferred Facility Guidelines or minimum requirements in the development and enhancement of existing or new venues.

Additionally, it is imperative that facilities are correctly designed and accurately marked for the enjoyment of the top competitor and social participant. For detailed specifications, refer to the Office of Sport, Design webpage <https://www.sport.nsw.gov.au/community-sport-infrastructure-resource-library/design>.

This site provides some examples for best practice principles used in planning, design and development of sports facilities, covering areas such as:

- Universal Design
 - Australia
 - Centre for Universal Design Australia
 - Queensland Government
 - Get in the Game
 - National Disability Authority (NDA)
 - 7 principles of Universal Design
 - Victoria State Government
 - Planning for equitable access
 - Planning for universal design
 - New South Wales
 - Everyone Can Play
- Inclusive Design
 - Inclusive Design Principles
- Accessible Design (Regulations and Guidelines)
 - Commonwealth Consolidated Acts
 - NSW Government
 - International Disability design and management

- Other Design Resources
 - Sport England
 - Female Friendly
 - Signage/Wayfinding/Placemaking
 - Western Sydney Parklands
 - Heart Foundation
 - Design for Dignity.

Each of the best practice models presented corresponds to a key need identified in the Strategy.

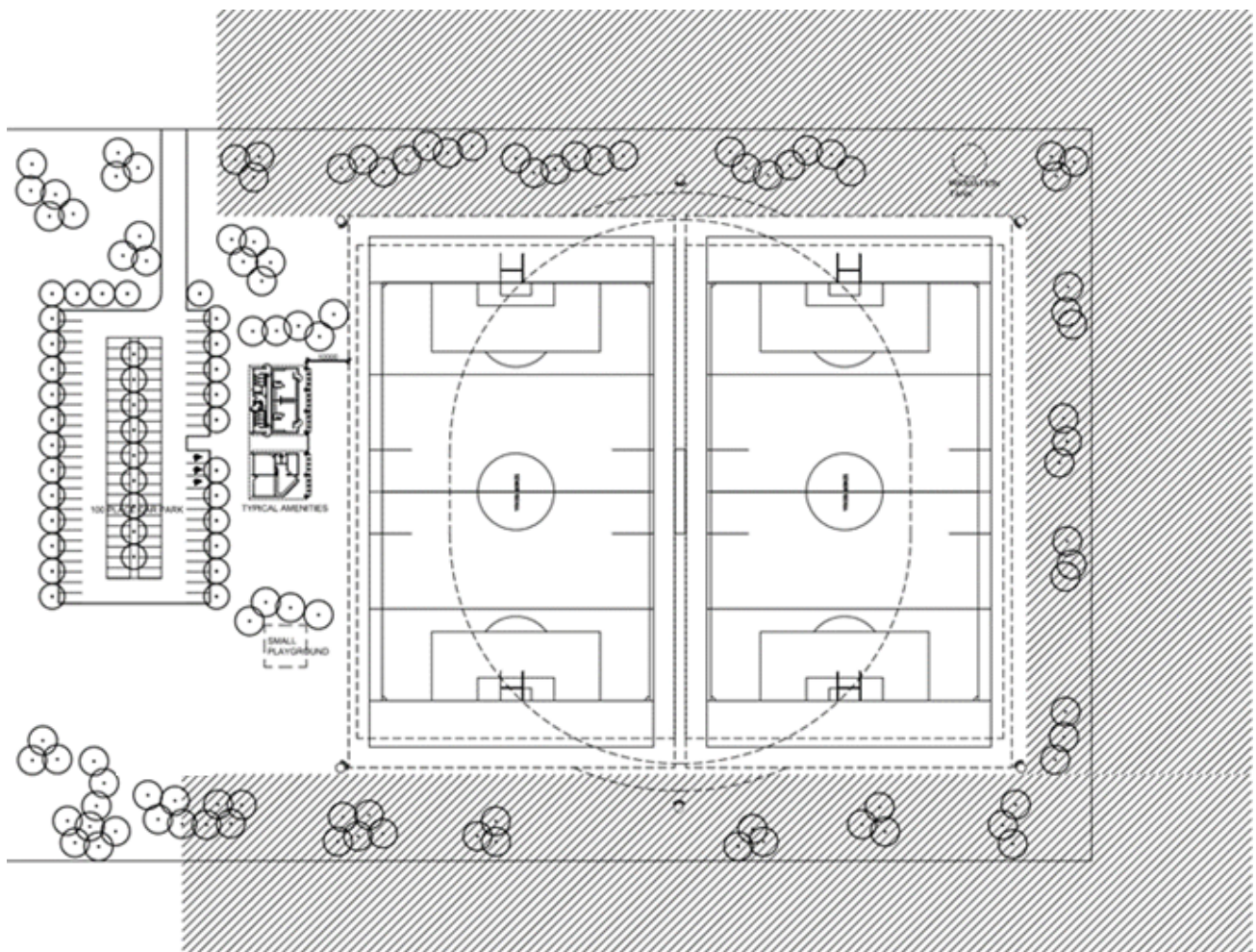
05 Best Practice

Single Sportsfield

A single sportsfield facility layout would be a minimum of 4.5ha, preferably 5ha. A single sportsfield services the needs of the local community and sporting clubs for home and away fixtures, recreational sport, training activities and participation programs that cater for a range of sports including:

Cricket | Australian Rules Football | Soccer | Rugby League | Rugby Union | Oz Tag | Athletics

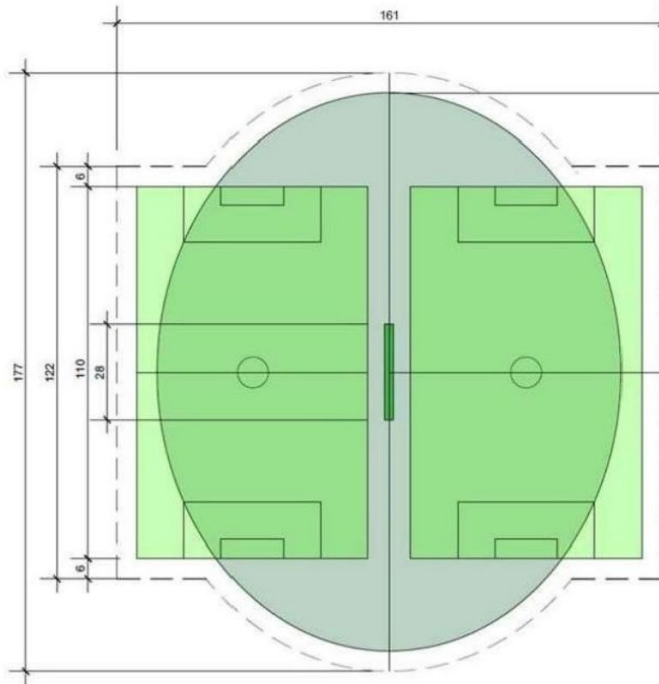
Below is a diagram provided by the NSW Government, Office of Sport showcasing a single sports field configuration orientated north/south which integrates the following components: one oval incorporating two rectangular pitches and 'typical amenities' (player, official, social & ancillary spaces and supporting infrastructure including parking).



Note: Image is not to scale.

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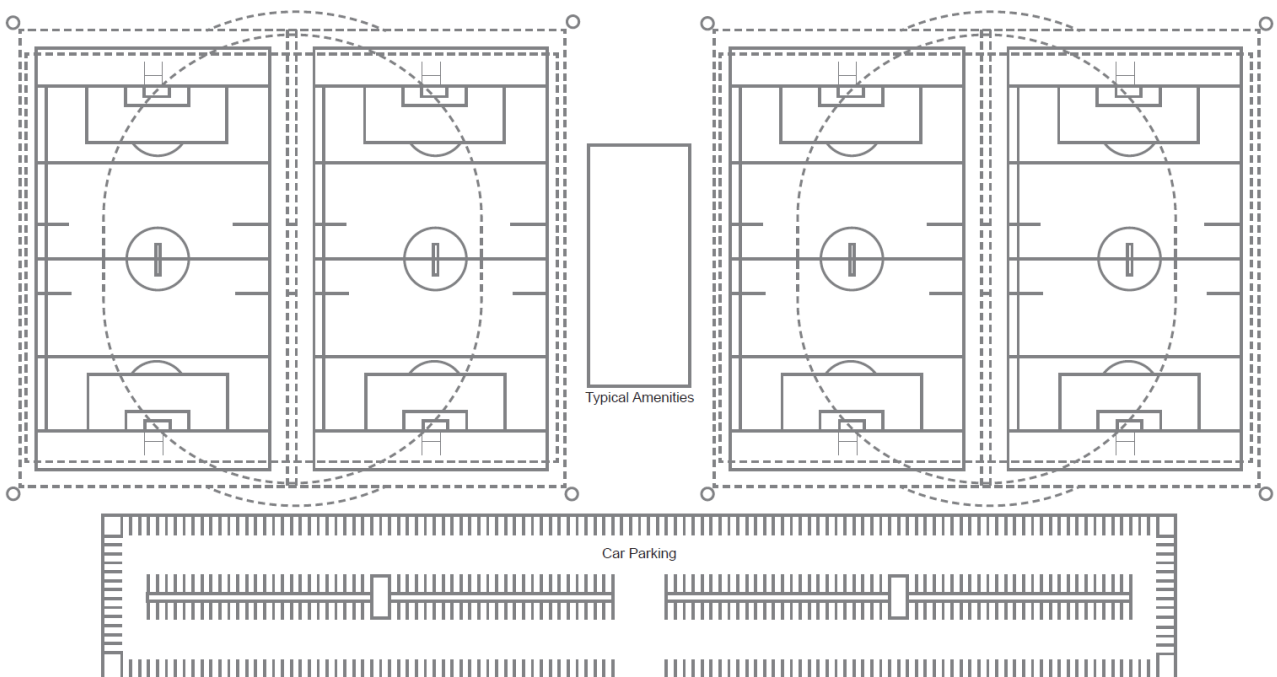
The dimensions for a typical layout for a single sportsfield are shown below.



Source: Appin Growth Area Contributions Plan (Transport Canberra and City Services TCCS publication) - Design Standards for Urban Infrastructure, 24 – Sportsground Design.

Double Sportsfield

A double sportsfield facility layout is twice the size of a single sportsfield and would be a minimum of 9ha, preferably 10ha. A double sportsfield consists of two cricket ovals, with a minimum of four rectangular fields. It is acknowledged that certain site conditions may require alternative placement of these components. Please note that the image provided below is not to scale.



Source: Tredwell, 2024 adapted from NSW Government, Office of Sport

Football (Soccer)

According to the comprehensive demand analysis using the ActiveXchange SportsEye Platform, football in Wollondilly is expected to undergo substantial growth. Current data reveals that football has 2400 members, but there is a projected demand of 3,957 by 2030. Football NSW also noted within the Macarthur Football Association (MFA) there was an increase of 11% in participation numbers from season 2023 and a 24% increase in female participation. This evidences the need for strategic planning and investment in facilities to accommodate the current & projected demand.

To meet the future needs of the football in the Shire, particularly within the Wilton and Appin Growth areas, it will be essential to establish new soccer facilities that not only serves the sporting community but also provides multifunctional spaces for a variety of activities. The *Football NSW Facilities Guides* provides information and guidance to assists clubs to plan and deliver facility development projects, while the *Infrastructure Strategy* also highlights key focus areas for the future planning and development of community football facilities and clubs across NSW.

Football NSW noted some of the best practice examples within the area to be Balmoral Road Reserve, Jack Brabham Reserve, and Arnold Avenue Reserve in this context. The Balmoral Road Reserve Sports Complex in Kellyville incorporates versatile design elements to support diverse sport, recreational and community needs. These elements include:

- Four multi-purpose fields which can be used for cricket, soccer and AFL
- Four tennis courts and two multi-use ball courts including lighting
- An amenities building containing changerooms, canteen, storage and meeting room
- A designated building within the park for Council's operational staff and storage for sports clubs.
- A carpark for 245 car spaces including 6 DDA spaces
- Playground, picnic facilities and kick-about area
- Shared pedestrian/cycling paths with lighting linking into the local trails network.

Water recycling and low-energy lighting is also used in the park as part of Council's efforts in mitigating environmental impact, including the preservation and enhancement of the existing woodland on the eastern boundary of the park.



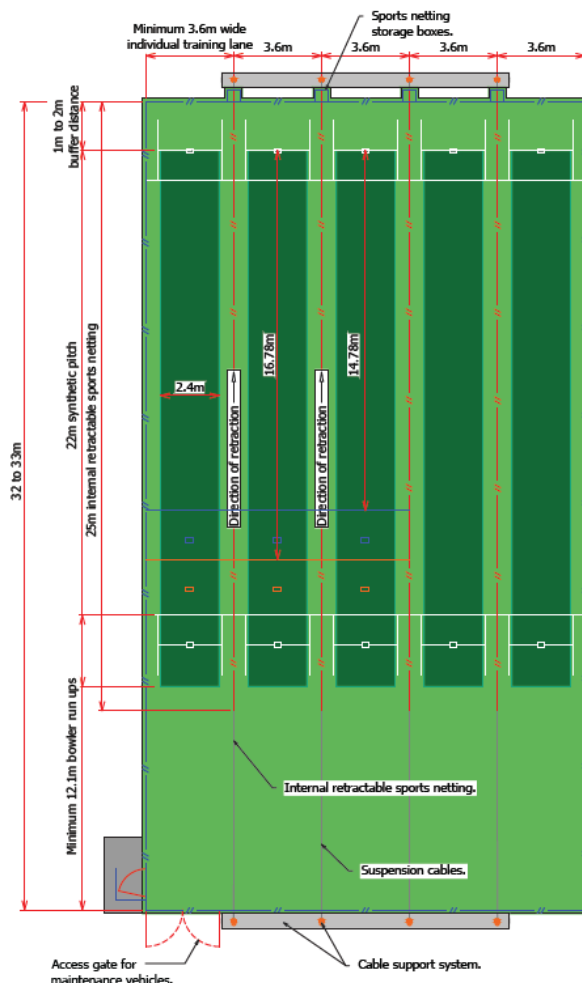
Source: www.thehills.nsw.gov.au/Venues/Parks-Recreation/Parks-Recreation-Directory/Balmoral-Road-Reserve-Sports-Complex

Cricket

According to a comprehensive demand analysis conducted using the ActiveXchange SportsEye Platform, cricket in Wollondilly has the potential to grow significantly. Current data reveals that cricket has 329 members, but there is an anticipated demand of 2,502 by 2030. The new developments in Wilton and Appin are likely to attract a more diverse population, including a significant number of cricket enthusiasts. This includes families from cricket-loving cultures who enjoy playing the sport year round.

The playing field dimensions outlined in the *Community Cricket Facility Guidelines, 2023* acknowledge that cricket playing field dimensions can vary dependent upon level of competition and primary use. However, all new fields being planned, realigned, developed, or upgraded should use the documented dimensions as a way to guide the desired level of play for each playing field. A minimum boundary clearance directive has been issued by Cricket NSW noting *a rope, soft dome marker or marked line must be placed a minimum distance of 2.74m (3yards) inside the perimeter fencing, advertising signs or any other hard or immovable object inside the perimeter fencing or advertising signs.*

Multi-use training facilities incorporating cricket practice nets are also growing in popularity due to their flexible nature and capacity to accommodate a range of activities and uses. To enable the flexibility of the space, the facility can incorporate nets rather than the rigid fixed chain-mesh fences. This is referred to as a retractable outdoor training facility design, as shown in the image below.



Refer: *Community Cricket Facility Guidelines, 2023*

Rugby

According to a comprehensive demand analysis conducted using the ActiveXchange SportsEye Platform, Rugby in Wollondilly has the highest conversion rate among all sports, standing at an impressive 99%. Consequently, it is anticipated that the emerging development areas of Wilton and Appin will likely attract many new rugby players.

The community *Rugby League, Preferred Facility Guidelines, May 2021* sets three hierarchy levels, State, Regional and Local. It is intended that Wollondilly will provide predominately local facilities that cater for local level clubs and competitions, including junior clubs and associations. The facility components supporting rugby league fit into three main categories:

- Main pavilion/amenities building
- Field of play
- Additional facilities.

NSW Rugby League has recognised Seddon Park, located on Newtown Road in Glenfield, as an example of effective facility development. This venue features two quality rugby league fields, and a centrally located synthetic cricket pitch. The site is further enhanced by a clubhouse, an additional circular cricket oval, outdoor courts and its strategic location along a railway line, ensuring convenient transport access.



Source: NearMap, 2024

Indoor Sports Centre

An indoor recreation centre is vital for any community as it provides for a versatile space for sport, recreation, and aquatic activities. The Wilton Community Needs Study, 2023 plans for:

Wilton	1	Shire-wide	Indoor recreation centre (sports courts and aquatic)
Appin	1	District	Indoor recreation centre (sports courts and aquatic centre)

According to the *Basketball NSW, Facility Area Guide* a four court facility should include:

Four Court Facility

Item	Single Level Area (m ²)	Two Level Area (m ²)
Building Footprint	5,341	5,341
Carpark Footprint	6,800	1,799
Landscape/External	1,821	1,071
Total Site	13,963	8,211

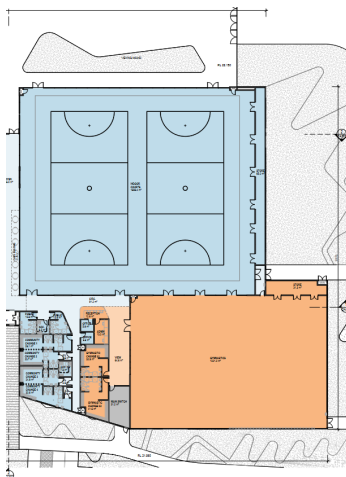
Space and Circulation Allowance (m ²)	34
Car Park Spaces	200

Space Type	Area (m ²)	%
Entry/circulation	781	14%
Services (reception, kiosk, merch etc.)	125	2%
Admin/Staff/Office	80	1%
Change/Amenities	350	6%
Courts	3,300	59%
Storage	180	3%
Meeting/Office/Commercial	150	3%
Ancillary (plant, seating etc.)	615	11%
Total Area (including mezzanine)	5,581	

Numerous indoor recreation models exist across Australia; consultation with associations and state sporting organisations have identified the following centres for their functionality.

PCYC Wagga Wagga - opened in November 2022, the indoor centre offers 4 multi-use courts along with a variety of community amenities. These include studios for martial arts, boxing, dance and yoga, a public café, conference, and meeting facilities, an out of school hours care, youth drop in hub and over 100 undercover parking spaces. Situated next to the Oasis Aquatic Centre and surrounded by ovals and courts this is a key sporting precinct.

Heffron Centre - Located in Heffron Park, the indoor multipurpose facility includes a two court indoor sports hall to accommodate netball, basketball, badminton, volleyball, and indoor futsal, as well as a dedicated gymnastic facility. It is also home to the South Sydney Rabbitoh's community and high performance centre. The image below highlights the separate gymnastics area, courts & amenities.

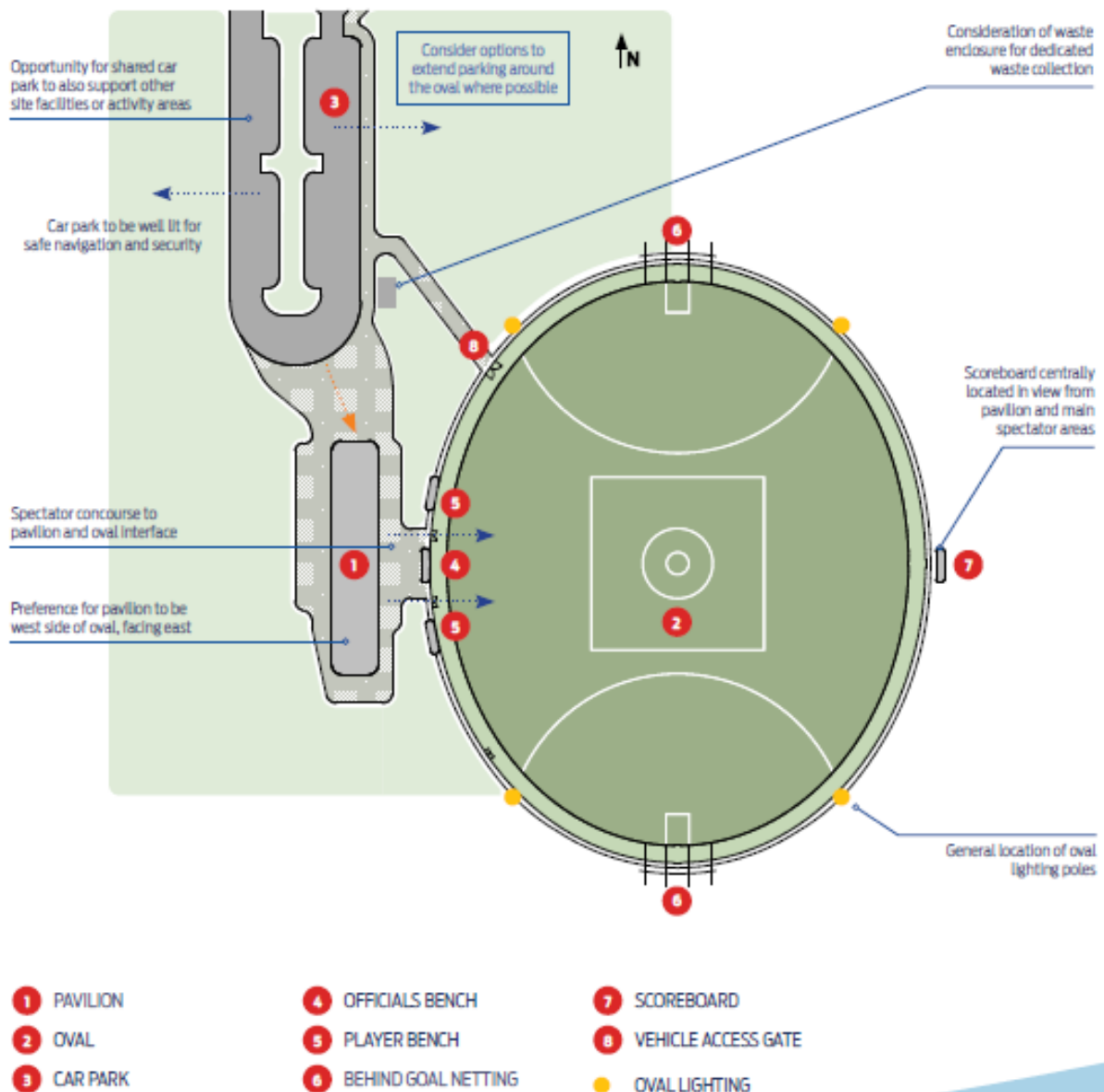


05 Best Practice

AFL

The sole AFL cub in Wollondilly is situated at Wilton Recreation Reserve, the demand analysis conducted using the ActiveXchange SportsEye Platform shows 271 members and a modest demand of 528 by 2030.

The existing facility may require future upgrades to comply with the AFL Preferred Community Guidelines 2024. For example, a single oval option would ideally adhere to the site layout option displayed in the image below and meet the local preferred provision in areas such as player facilities, office facilities, social spaces, ancillary spaces and supporting infrastructure. It is acknowledged that current locations and facilities may lack the ability to offer a similar layout or site conditions may require different designs.



Refer: AFL Preferred Community Guidelines 2024.

Covered Multi-use Courts

Covered multi-purpose courts offer numerous benefits, primarily enabling year-round participation. A key advantage is the protection it provides from weather elements such as rain, wind, and even intense sunlight. By facilitating a comfortable setting, these covered spaces can attract more users, ranging from recreational players to sports teams.

Netball NSW, provide the Ford Park Multi-use courts in Merimbula as a best practice facility. This venue features four covered multiuse courts with lighting, marked for both basketball and netball. The courts are utilised by the Merimbula Basketball Club and Merimbula Netball Club for competitions.

In relation to Wollondilly, the suggestion is to consider similar upgrades or new developments that incorporate covered, multi-use courts. This approach aims to enhance local sports infrastructure by providing all-weather facilities that can cater to a variety of recreational and competitive activities, aligning with the proven success of such designs in other regions.

Additionally, Netball NSW recognises the Sutherland Shire Netball Association as a benchmark example for netball. Although they do not have a covered multi-use court, their complex at Bellingara Road boasts a total of 34 sealed courts, including an indoor stadium that provides an all-weather facility.



Source: <https://begavalley.nsw.gov.au/community/merimbula-ford-park-multi-use-courts>

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Vision and Principles



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Vision

We've created a vision that reflects community aspirations for sport and active recreation. To bring the vision to life, we need partnerships between the Shire and the wider community, sport and active recreation clubs/groups, state and federal governments, agencies, and peak bodies.



In Wollondilly, we envision a vibrant community where the beauty of our landscape serves as the backdrop for a rich tapestry of sporting and recreational activities. Our vision is anchored by the belief that sport and recreation are not just pastimes but essential elements in fostering physical well-being, social cohesion, and economic development. We strive to create an environment where residents of all ages and abilities have easy access to high-quality and fit for purpose sporting facilities and recreational spaces.

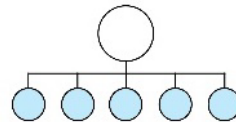
Focus Areas

Planning for sport and active recreation is multifaceted and interrelated. Consideration needs to be given to the three major components of planning: facilities, clubs and service providers; and programs and events which are detailed below. These focus areas cannot be considered in isolation.

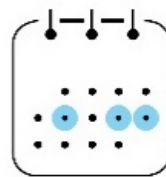
Facilities



Clubs and Service Providers



Programs and Events




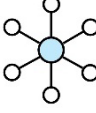


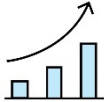

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Planning Principles

The planning principles outlined in Table 21 have been developed based on community aspirations and industry best-practice, to guide the development and management of sport and active recreation across the Shire.

The planning principles underpin the Strategy and Action Plan. The relationship of the components of sport and active recreation planning are illustrated in Figure 14.

Table 21: Planning Principles

Principle	Icon	Description
PRINCIPLE 1 Maximum Community Participation		Facilities, clubs and programs are designed to offer a range of accessible and equitable opportunities targeted to the needs of the community and deliver associated health benefits to all people regardless of gender, age, socio-economic status or ability. This principle advocates for a balanced approach in the provision of facilities across community-level participation, as well as elite pathways, programs, and events. Emphasising active lifestyles, these facilities support both informal recreation activities and competitive sport. Key considerations include strategic location within catchment areas to ensure equitable access, visibility, safety and connectivity to public transport, pedestrian, and cycling networks.
PRINCIPLE 2 Shared Precincts and Community Hubs		Where appropriate and practical, facilities are clustered and co-located with compatible users to optimise use whilst maintaining organisational identity and individual needs through adaptable and flexible designs. This approach encourages clustering or co-location to promote flexibility and multiple uses of facilities.
PRINCIPLE 3 Sustainability		Facilities, clubs, and programs effectively integrate long and short-term economic, environmental, social, and cultural considerations. Facility and program developments strategically align with Council strategies and plans to meet current and future community needs and provide value-for-money (i.e. Contribution Plans). Efforts are made to conserve natural systems, ensuring that sport and recreation facilities are designed and managed in ways that protect and enhance the natural environment. This includes implementing sustainable practices and preserve bushland to promote biodiversity and ecological balance (i.e. CPCP land and core koala habitat).
PRINCIPLE 4 Partnerships and Community Engagement		Collaborative approaches are used to plan, deliver and manage facilities, clubs and programs involving the community, government, clubs, associations, educational institutions and the private sector. These partnerships extend beyond sport and recreation to achieve broader community outcomes while ensuring compatibility with neighbouring uses. Effective engagement of clubs and the wider community in the planning and design of sport and recreation facilities fosters an inclusive culture. This includes club development programs, cultivating positive relationships, and providing facilities that support opportunities for all, while also celebrating culture and heritage.
PRINCIPLE 5 Maximised and Validated Community Benefit		Community benefit is identified, validated, and maximised through the investment of sport and recreation facilities. Investments that demonstrate the maximum local and regional community benefits are prioritised, contributing to the public domain and fostering a sense of pride.
PRINCIPLE 6 Effective Management and Maintenance		Facilities are managed and maintained in a manner that promotes safe condition, minimises financial liability and complies with relevant legislation, policies, and standards. They are designed to be of sufficient size and flexibility to enable future expansion and adaption, ensuring that they can continue to meet the evolving needs of the community.

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Figure 14: Interrelated Components of Sport and Recreation Planning

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Strategy and Implementation



07 Strategy and Implementation Plan

Overview

The Strategy and Implementation Plan for developing sport and active recreation across the Shire is detailed over the following pages. Each of the components of sport and active recreation planning have been addressed through a series of strategies and actions, which are guided by the planning principles, and strive to achieve the vision.

Each strategy is provided with a supporting rationale and a series of actions with corresponding timeframes, partners and estimated resource requirements.

The Strategy and Implementation Plan has been prepared with the intention of remaining flexible to adapt to dynamic influences such as community needs, funding opportunities, technological advances and delivery of infrastructure by external parties.

Timeframes

In assessing the priority for each of the strategies, the following factors have been considered:

- Alignment with the vision
- Alignment to strategic plans
- Identified need
- Community support
- Level of planning undertaken
- Feasibility
- Safety.

Based on this assessment, timeframes have been indicated for each action using the following scale:

- Short (2025 – 2031)
- Medium (2032– 2036)
- Long (2037 - 2040)
- Extended Term (2041 – 2050+)
- Ongoing.

The timeframe identified for the completion of each action is indicative and should be reviewed regularly. The staging of investment will allow maximum value from the existing facilities as well as the sustainable provision of new facilities, services, and programs.

Partners and Council's Role

The delivery of sport and active recreation across the Shire is achieved through partnerships between all three levels of government (local, state and federal), schools, state sporting organisations, associations, clubs, community groups and the private sector including developers. Without these collaborative arrangements to plan for and provide facilities, services and resourcing, sport and active recreation infrastructure and activities would not exist in the form they do today. These partnership arrangements need to be preserved and strengthened to ensure the ongoing development of sport and active recreation in the Shire. Regional planning and collaboration with relevant agencies should continue to be pursued along with specific initiatives to strengthen and support local service delivery through clubs and associations.

Partners who may be able to assist the Shire with the delivery of the strategies and actions detailed with the Strategy and Implementation Plan have been identified. It is stressed that without partner support it is unlikely that many of these actions will be achieved. The lead partner/s are identified in bold alongside the assisting partners.

Acronyms used:

- Wollondilly Shire Council (WSC)
- Sportsground Volunteer Engagement Panels (SGVEP)
- State Sporting Organisation (SSO)
- South Western Sydney Local Health District (SWSLHD)

Council's role will vary depending on the type of strategy and action and who is primarily responsible for delivery. The various roles are outlined in Table 22 and for each action detailed in the Strategy and Implementation Plan.

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Table 22: Council's Role

Role	Example of Activities
Advocacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verbal and written lobbying • Letters of support • Provision of supporting information
Representation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation in reference groups, steering committees, regional/State/Commonwealth organisations
Facilitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convening meetings • Establishing, supporting, and overseeing advisory committees and working groups • Providing referrals and introductions • Assisting in project development through terms of reference, briefs or calls for quotation
Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applying for grants and loans and entering into associated agreements • Commissioning consultants, contractors and other suppliers • Managing project reference groups and steering committees • Project reporting
Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertaking capital works and/or operational projects using in-house and externally sourced resources

Resources

Implementation of the Strategy and Implementation Plan will require significant resources from Council and its partners. An estimation of the financial resources required to implement each action have been identified. These are broad indicative estimates and should be reviewed prior to implementation.

There has been no financial commitment from the Council to implement the actions identified and relevant actions will be considered as part of normal annual business planning/budgeting and long-term financial planning processes.

The Strategy and Implementation Plan provides the following indicative financial resource requirements:

- Low (\$0 – \$500,000)
- Medium (\$500,000 – \$5,000,000)
- High (\$5,000,000+).

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The strategies which form the framework for the Action Plan are categorised into:

- Facilities
- Clubs and Service providers
- Programs and events.

The complete strategy, with corresponding rationale and actions is provided on the following pages.

Facilities

Number	Strategy
Growth Areas	
1.	Wilton Growth Area
2.	Appin Growth Area
Existing Facilities	
3.	Appin - Cataract - Darkes Forest
4.	Bargo - Yanderra - Pheasants Nest
5.	Buxton – Couridjah
6.	Camden Park - Mount Hunter – Cawdor
7.	Wilton
8.	Menangle – Razorback - Douglas Park
9.	Oakdale - Nattai - National Park
10.	Orangeville - Theresa Park – Werombi
11.	Picton - Mowbray Park – Maldon
12.	Tahmoor
13.	The Oaks - Belimbla Park – Glenmore
14.	Thirlmere – Lakesland
15.	Wallacia - Warragamba – Silverdale
Non-Council owned or Managed Facilities	
16.	Non Council Owned or Managed Facilities
Research and Planning	
17.	Research and Planning

Clubs and Service Providers

Number	Strategy
18.	Women in Sport
19.	Advanced Technology
20.	Governance, Training & Development
21.	Volunteering
22.	Partnerships

Programs and Events

Number	Strategy
23.	Events
24.	Communication
25.	Resourcing
26.	Accessibility and Inclusion

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Facilities

Growth Areas
<p>1. Strategy: Wilton Growth Area: Strategically plan for and locate Shire-wide, district, local sport and recreation facilities to meet the significant growth anticipated in Wilton, to maximise community participation and to encourage active lifestyles.</p>
<p>Rationale - The Wilton Growth Area is projected to experience significant growth, necessitating high quality sport and recreation facilities to enable active lifestyles and encourage maximum community participation. <i>The Wilton Community Needs Strategy, December 2023</i> provided recommendations for the required local, district, shire-wide and regional social infrastructure to facilitate social cohesion, health and wellbeing for Wilton Growth Area and Appin Growth Area within Wollondilly Shire Local Government Area (LGA) and is used as the basis for the actions and timeframes outlined below.</p> <p><i>The Wollondilly Contributions Plan, July 2020</i> prescribes the active playing fields, passive local parks, passive neighbourhood parks within the Wilton Growth Area. A visual representation of these provisions is available in Appendix C.</p>

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
	<p>Shire-wide Indoor Recreation Centre (Sports Courts and Aquatic Centre): Plan towards and deliver a Shire-wide Indoor Recreation Centre (Sports Courts and Aquatic Centre) <i>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023</i></p>	<i>Refer to each action below</i>		
1.1.	<p>Provision of an Indoor Recreation Centre with 4 multi-use indoor courts and a dedicated multi-purpose area that may accommodate gym sports (i.e. gymnastics, trampolining, cheerleading etc) for when the Shire population reaches 75,000.</p> <p>Key considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facility to cater for sports such as basketball, netball, futsal, volleyball, badminton and gymnastics, as well as activities like yoga and Pilates, and other sports as demand emerges in the Wollondilly region. • Features gym, café, creche and rooms for allied health professionals • Need for support facilities (e.g. clubrooms, changerooms, spectator facilities, offices etc) • Female friendly (e.g. universally accessible, fit-for-purpose, safe and welcoming) • Provision of adaptable courts/areas to allow for flexible use and responsiveness to future demand/participation trends. • Co-location of multiple sports to achieve efficiencies by sharing the facility, reducing operation costs, and fostering a vibrant community sports hub. • Provision of adequate off-street car parking to accommodate facility users and ensure ease of access • Integration of outdoor courts (refer Strategy 1.3) 	2025 - 2031	<p>WSC NSW Office of Sport Federal Government Developers SSO's Clubs/User Groups Community</p>	High

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
	<p>Undertake a Feasibility Study to develop a Shire-wide Aquatic Centre for when the Shire population reaches 100,000.</p> <p>Key considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complement the multi-use indoor courts. • Include a 50m pool (outdoor/indoor) for recreational and club water space with a program/leisure pool and/or leisure water space in addition to formal lap swimming facilities (<i>PLAWA Community Infrastructure Guidelines 2020</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Feature a centrally located boom that divides the pool, facilitating recreational swimming and club sports like water polo. This adjustable barrier allow for versatile use, accommodating different activities simultaneously. 	2037 - 2040	<p>WSC</p> <p>NSW Office of Sport</p> <p>Federal Government</p> <p>Developers</p> <p>SSO's</p> <p>Clubs/User Groups</p> <p>Community</p>	High
1.2.	<p>District double sportsfields: Plan towards and deliver x6 District double sportsfields <i>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023 & The Wollondilly Contributions Plan, July 2020</i></p> <p>Key considerations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A double sportsfield encompasses an area of approx. 10 hectares, with two ovals with four rectangular fields. • Future Proofing: scalability (design facilities that can be expanded or modified as the community grows and can evolve with changing sports trends) • Multi-use fields: design fields that can be used for multiple sports • Code Specific Standards: ensure high quality playing fields and supporting infrastructure (i.e. clubrooms, gender neutral changerooms, lighting, storage etc) that meets recommended sporting code facility requirements and dimensions. • Provision of adequate off-street car parking to accommodate facility users and ensure ease of access • Year-Round Usability: effective drainage systems are critical for year round usability and sustainability. • Engagement: Involve the SSO's, clubs, community in the planning process to ensure the facilities meet their needs 	Refer to each action below		

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
	x3 double sportsfield <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Primarily designed to accommodate sports such as football (soccer), cricket, rugby, oztag, with provision for baseball and little athletic pursuits based on future demand. Refer to Strategy 7.1 – upgrade Hannaford Oval Sportsfield to a winged sportsfield (one oval with two rectangular fields) after the development of a new sportsfield in Wilton to assist with the temporary relocation of codes during ground renovations. Consider including a District Level Athletics Facility with provision for a future tartan track within a timeframe of 2032 -2040 with a feasibility study to commence by 2025-2029 (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025) 	2025 - 2031	WSC Developers SSO's Clubs/User Groups Community	Medium
	x2 double sportsfield <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Primarily designed to accommodate sports such as football (soccer), cricket and rugby league 	2032 - 2036		Medium
	x1 double sportsfield <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sport participation trends to recommend code specific justification not currently available due to long term timeframe 	2037 -2040		Medium
1.3.	Local multipurpose outdoor courts: Plan towards and deliver x27 local multipurpose outdoor courts. <i>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023</i> Key considerations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Centralised Precincts: locate sport specific courts within a single precinct to create a central hub for activities. Future Proofing: scalability (design facilities that can be expanded or modified as the community grows and can evolve with changing sports trends) Code Specific Hierarchy Provision: local, regional, elite 	<i>Refer to each action below</i>		
	x2 Netball courts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider co locating netball courts with the Shire-wide Indoor Recreation Centre or Consider developing a multi-netball court precinct 	2025- 2031	WSC Developers SSO's Clubs/User Groups Community	Low
	x1 Netball court <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider incorporating in a multi-netball court precinct 	2032 - 2036		Low
	x1 Netball court <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider incorporating in a multi-netball court precinct 	2037 - 2040		Low

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
	x1 Netball court <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider incorporating in a multi-netball court precinct 	2041 - 2050+		Low
	x5 Basketball courts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider co-locating outdoor basketball courts with the Shire-wide Indoor Recreation Centre Note: Some demand for outdoor basketball court space could be met by the indoor court provision 	2025 - 2031	WSC NSW Department of Education Developers SSO's Clubs/User Groups Community	Low
	x3 Basketball courts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note: These courts could potentially be provided for through school court provision 	2032 - 2036		Low
	x2 Basketball courts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note: These courts could potentially be provided for through school court provision 	2037 -2041		Low
	x2 Basketball courts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note: These courts could potentially be provided for through school court provision 	2050+		Low
	x2 Informal multipurpose outdoor courts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider a centralised precinct: locate multi-purpose courts within a single precinct to create a central hub for court activities, such as tennis. Assess the suitability of half courts within inactive recreational spaces. 	2025 - 2031		WSC Developers Clubs/User Groups Community
	x3 Informal multipurpose outdoor courts	2032 - 2036	Low	
	x2 Informal multipurpose outdoor courts	2037 - 2040	Low	
	x3 Informal multipurpose outdoor courts	2041 - 2050+	Low	
	Outdoor fitness stations: Plan towards and deliver x4 local outdoor fitness stations. <i>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023</i>	<i>Refer to each action below</i>		
1.4.	x1 outdoor fitness equipment	2025 - 2031	WSC	Low
	x1 outdoor fitness equipment	2032 - 2036	WSC	Low
	x1 outdoor fitness equipment	2037 - 2040	WSC	Low

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
1.5.	<p>Shire-wide playground: Plan towards and deliver a Shire-wide playground. <i>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Note: A Shire-wide playground acts as a central recreational hub for the region and includes a diverse range of activities, often featuring thematic designs or unique attractions that make it stand out.</i> 	<i>Refer to each action below</i>		
	x 1 Shire-wide playground	2041 - 2050+	WSC Developers Community	Medium
1.6.	<p>District playgrounds: Plan towards and deliver x4 District playgrounds. <i>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Note: A District playground is a recreational area designed to serve multiple suburbs or towns, typically offering more facilities than local playgrounds but fewer than shire-wide playgrounds.</i> <i>Refer to 17.6 - Playspace and Outdoor Fitness Strategy</i> <i>Ensure equal distribution throughout Wilton for optimal accessibility.</i> 	<i>Refer to each action below</i>		
	x1 District playground	2032 - 2036	WSC Developers Community	Medium
	x1 District playground	2037 -2040		Medium
	x2 District playgrounds	2041 - 2050+		Medium
1.7.	<p>Local playgrounds: Plan towards and deliver x 22 Local playgrounds. <i>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Note: A local playground is a small scale recreational area located within a residential area, intended to provide children and families with easily accessible and essential play facilities.</i> 	<i>Refer to each action below</i>		
	x8 Local playgrounds	2025 - 2031	WSC Developers Community	Low
	x4 Local playgrounds	2032 - 2036		Low
	x5 Local playgrounds	2037 - 2040		Low
	x5 Local playgrounds	2041 - 2050+		Low

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
1.8.	<p>Shire-wide youth precinct: Plan towards and deliver x1 Shire-wide youth precinct. <i>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023</i></p> <p>Key considerations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Location: situated within regional parks • Ability Level: cater for all skill levels, beginner, intermediate and advanced • Recreational Facilities: include a variety of recreational options such as skate parks, pump tracks, parkour circuits, playgrounds, fitness equipment, half courts and open spaces for casual play. • Multi-functional Spaces: design versatile areas that can be used for various activities and events. • Parking: provision of adequate off-street car parking to accommodate facility users and ensure ease of access • Amenities: toilets, seating & shelter areas, water fountains, WIFI • Accessibility: Ensure the precinct is accessible for all, with features such as inclusive play equipment. • Cultural and Artistic Elements: Integrate public art and cultural installations 	<p><i>Refer to the action below</i></p>		
	2041 - 2050+			
1.9.	<p>Local youth precincts: Undertake a Feasibility Study to consider the viability and implementation of x5 Local youth precincts (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025). <i>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023</i></p> <p>Key considerations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Location: situated within local parks • Size: smaller scale than a Shire-wide youth precinct • Ability Level: may cater for select skill levels • Recreational Facilities: include smaller scale recreational options such as skate parks, pump tracks, playgrounds, fitness equipment, half courts, open spaces for casual play. • Multi-functional Spaces: design smaller versatile areas for various activities and events. • Parking: provision of adequate off-street car parking to ensure ease of access • Amenities: Desirable to include toilets, seating & shelter areas, water fountains • Accessibility: Ensure the precinct is accessible for all, with features such as well-designed access paths. 	<p><i>Refer to each action below</i></p>		

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
	x2 Local youth precinct	2025 - 2031	WSC	Low
	x1 Local youth precinct	2032 - 2036	Club/User Groups	Low
	x1 Local youth precinct	2037 - 2040	Community	Low
	x1 Local youth precinct	2041 - 2050+		Low
	Parks: Plan towards and deliver x34 parks. <i>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023</i>	<i>Refer to each action below</i>		
1.10.	x2 Shire-wide parks	2025 – 2050+	WSC Developers Club/User Groups Community	Medium - High
	x12 District parks			Medium
	x20 Local parks			Low – Medium
1.11.	Planning Alignment: Identify the planning pathway to amending the Wilton Structure Plan to align this strategy with the existing structure plan and any resourcing implications (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).	2025 - 2031	WSC	Low
1.12.	Rugby League Precinct: Investigate in consultation with relevant Rugby League Clubs the planning and establishment of a District Level Rugby League precinct at Wilton (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).	At the completion of the Victoria Park Master Plan, Picton	WSC Club/User Groups SSO	Medium

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Growth Areas

2. Strategy: Appin Growth Area: Strategically plan for and locate shire-wide, district, local sport and recreation facilities to meet the significant growth anticipated for Appin, to maximise community participation and to encourage active lifestyles.

Rationale - The Appin Growth Area is projected to experience significant growth, necessitating high quality sport and recreation facilities to enable active lifestyles and encourage maximum community participation. The Wilton Community Needs Strategy, December 2023 provided recommendations for the required local, district, shire-wide and regional social infrastructure to facilitate social cohesion, health and wellbeing for Wilton Growth Area and Appin Growth Area within Wollondilly Shire Local Government Area (LGA) and is used as the basis for the actions and timeframes outlined below.

The Appin Growth Area Contributions Plan, 2024 prescribes the double playing fields, active, passive-playground and community facilities (incl. indoor recreation facility) within the Appin Growth Area. A visual representation of these provisions is available in Appendix C.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
	<p>District Indoor Recreation Centre (sports courts and aquatic centre): Plan towards and deliver a District Indoor Recreation Centre (sports courts and aquatic centre) <small>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023 & The Appin Growth Area Contributions Plan, 2024</small></p>	<i>Refer to each action below</i>		
2.1.	<p>Provision of an Indoor Recreation Centre with 4 multi-use indoor courts for when the Shire population reaches 100,000.</p> <p>Key considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facility to cater for sports such as basketball, netball, futsal, volleyball, badminton, gymnastics and squash, as well as activities like yoga and Pilates, and other sports as demand emerges in the Wollondilly region. • Need for support facilities (e.g. clubrooms, changerooms, spectator facilities) • Female friendly (e.g. universally accessible, fit-for-purpose, safe and welcoming) • Provision of adaptable courts/areas to allow for flexible use and responsiveness to future demand/participation trends. • Co-location of multiple sports to achieve efficiencies by sharing the facility, reducing operation costs, and fostering a vibrant community sports hub • Provision of adequate off-street car parking to accommodate facility users and ensure ease of access • Integration of outdoor courts (refer Strategy 2.3) 	2037 -2040	<p>WSC NSW Office of Sport Federal Government Developers SSO's Clubs/User Groups Community</p>	High

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
	<p>Undertake a Feasibility Study and Business Case to develop a District Aquatic Centre for when the Shire population reaches 150,000.</p> <p>Key considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complement the multi-use indoor courts with the potential for co-management Incorporate a 25m lap pool, program pool and/or leisure water space (water play) Incorporate a 50m pool (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025). 	2041 - 2050+	WSC NSW Office of Sport Federal Government Developers SSO's Clubs/User Groups Community	High
2.2.	<p>Double sportsfields: Plan towards and deliver x8 District double sportsfields <small>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023 & The Appin Growth Area Contributions Plan, 2024</small></p> <p>Key considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A double sportsfield encompasses an area of approx. 10 hectares, with two ovals with four rectangular fields. Future Proofing: scalability (design facilities that can be expanded or modified as the community grows and can evolve with changing sports trends) Multi-use fields: design fields that can be used for multiple sports Code Specific Standards: ensure high quality playing fields and supporting infrastructure (i.e. clubrooms, gender neutral changerooms, lighting, storage etc) Provision of adequate off-street car parking to accommodate facility users and ensure ease of access Year-Round Usability: effective drainage systems are crucial for year round usability and sustainability. Engagement: Involve the SSO's, clubs, community in the planning process to ensure the facilities meet their needs 	Refer to each action below		
	x2 double sportsfield <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Primarily designed to accommodate sports such as football (soccer), cricket and rugby. 	2025 - 2031	WSC Developers SSO's Clubs/User Groups Community	
	x2 double sportsfield <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Primarily designed to accommodate sports such as football (soccer), cricket, rugby & oztag. 	2032 - 2036		Medium
	x2 double sportsfield <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sports participation trends to recommend code specific justification not available 	2037 - 2040		Medium

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
	x1 double sportsfields x1 sportsfield (one oval with two rectangular fields) x1 sportsfield (one oval with two rectangular fields) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Sports participation trends to recommend code specific justification not available</i> 	2041 – 2050+		Medium
2.3.	Multipurpose outdoor courts: Plan towards and deliver x42 local multipurpose outdoor courts. <i>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023</i> Key considerations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Centralised Precincts: locate sport specific courts within a single precinct to create a central hub for activities. Future Proofing: scalability (design facilities that can be expanded or modified as the community grows and can evolve with changing sports trends) Code Specific Hierarchy Provision: Netball – local, regional, elite 	<i>Refer to each action below</i>		
	x1 Netball court Investigate options to bring forward delivery of the first netball court by 2027 – 2032 and the rest by 2040 (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).	2032 - 2036	WSC Developers SSO's Clubs/User Groups Community	Low
	x2 Netball court <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Consider co locating netball courts with the District Indoor Recreation Centre, or</i> <i>Consider developing a multi-netball court precinct</i> 	2037 - 2040		Low
	x5 Netball court <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Consider developing a multi-netball court precinct</i> 	2050+		Low
	x2 Basketball courts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Consider the benefits of an outdoor sports cover to provide shelter</i> 	2025 - 2031	WSC Developers SSO's Clubs/User Groups Community	Low
	x2 Basketball courts	2032 - 2036		Low
	x2 Basketball courts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Consider co locating outdoor basketball courts with the District Indoor Recreation Centre</i> <i>Note: Some demand for outdoor basketball court space could be met by the indoor court provision</i> 	2037 - 2040		Low

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
	x11 Basketball courts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note: Courts could potentially be provided for through school court provision 	2041 - 2050+	NSW Department of Education	Medium
	x3 Informal multipurpose outdoor courts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider a centralised precinct: locate multi-purpose courts within a single precinct to create a central hub for court activities, such as tennis. Assess the suitability of half courts within inactive recreational spaces. 	2025 - 2031	WSC Developers SSO's Clubs/User Groups Community	Low
	x2 Informal multipurpose outdoor courts	2032 - 2036		Low
	x2 Informal multipurpose outdoor courts	2037 - 2040		Low
	x10 Informal multipurpose outdoor courts	2041 - 2050+		Low
2.4.	Outdoor fitness stations: Plan towards and deliver x6 Local outdoor fitness stations. <small>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023</small>	Refer to each action below		
	x1 outdoor fitness equipment	2032 - 2036	WSC	Low
	x1 outdoor fitness equipment	2037 - 2040		Low
	x4 outdoor fitness equipment	2041 - 2050+		Low
2.5.	District playgrounds: Plan towards and deliver x5 District playgrounds. <small>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023</small> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> High benchmark 4-5, Low benchmark 2-3 Note: A District playground is a recreational area designed to serve multiple suburbs or towns, typically offering more facilities than local playgrounds but fewer than shire-wide playgrounds. 	Refer to each action below		
	x1 District Playground	2025 - 2031	WSC Developers Community	Medium
	x1 District Playground	2032 - 2036		Medium
	x1 District Playground	2037 - 2040		Medium
	x2 District Playground	2041 - 2050+		Medium
2.6.	Local playgrounds: Plan towards and deliver x34 Local playgrounds. <small>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023</small> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note: A local playground is a small scale recreational area located within a residential area, intended to provide children and families with easily accessible and essential play facilities. 	Refer to each action below		

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
	x2 Local Playground	2025 - 2031	WSC Developers Community	Low
	x4 Local Playground	2032 - 2036		Low
	x5 Local Playground	2037 - 2040		Low
	x23 Local Playgrounds	2041 - 2050+		Low
2.7.	Local youth precincts: Plan towards and deliver x6 Local youth precincts. <i>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023</i> Key considerations			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Location: situated within local parks • Size: smaller scale than a Shire-wide youth precinct • Ability Level: may cater for select skill levels • Recreational Facilities: include smaller scale recreational options such as skate parks, pump tracks, playgrounds, fitness equipment, half courts and open spaces for casual play. • Multi-functional Spaces: design smaller versatile areas for various activities and events. • Parking: provision of adequate off-street car parking to ensure ease of access • Amenities: Desirable to include toilets, seating & shelter areas, water fountains • Accessibility: Ensure the precinct is accessible for all, with features such as well-designed access paths. 			
	x1 Local youth precinct	2032 - 2036	WSC Club/User Groups Community	Low
	x1 Local youth precinct	2037 - 2040		Low
x4 Local youth precinct	2041 - 2050+	Low		
2.8.	Parks: Plan towards and deliver x40 parks. <i>Wilton Community Needs Assessment, Dec 2023</i>		<i>Refer to each action below</i>	
	x2 Shire-wide parks	2024 – 2050+	WSC Developers Club/User Groups Community	Medium - High
	x13 District parks			Medium
	x25 Local parks			Low – Medium

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3. Strategy: Appin - Cataract - Darkes Forest - Ensure that Wollondilly Shire Council offers a balanced network of sport and recreation facilities across its towns and rural localities through provision of strategically distributed, quality and diverse regional, district and local-level facilities.

Rationale

The Appin area is projected to experience significant growth, necessitating the development of additional local, district, shire-wide and regional social infrastructure, as outlined in Strategy 2. Currently, the area has two local-level sportsgrounds: Appin AIS Sportsground and Appin Park. It will be crucial to maximise the use and efficiency of the existing sportsgrounds while new facilities are developed. Appin Park's playing field is primarily used for rugby league, while the surrounding areas are highly valued and well utilised for youth, fitness, play and outdoor court activities. The Appin AIS Sportsground features an oval used for football (soccer) and cricket, along with netball and tennis courts. It also has built support facilities in varying conditions. Developing a masterplan of this precinct will ensure the best options for development are chosen in the short, medium and long term, resulting in the highest level of community benefit.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
3.1.	<p>Appin AIS Sportsground: Prepare a staged master plan for the AIS Sportsground to guide the short, medium and long-term provision of high-quality, local level sport and recreation facilities.</p> <p>Key considerations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sports field reconstruction including drainage and irrigation • Infrastructure upgrades and enhancements (i.e. clubhouse, lighting, seating, playground, parking facilities and pedestrian movement) • Strategic co-location <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Clubhouse (shared use facility) ○ Tennis courts/netball ○ Cricket nets/oval ○ Playground/fitness equipment. 	2025 - 2031	<p>WSC</p> <p>Club/User Groups</p> <p>Community</p>	Medium – High
3.2.	<p>Appin Park: Implement, in stages, the Appin Park Master Plan (2019)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include a focus on delivery of multipurpose courts at Appin Park (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025). • Review Master Plan at expiry. 	2025 - 2031	<p>WSC</p> <p>Club/User Groups</p> <p>Community</p>	Medium

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
3.3.	<p>Playspaces: Retain and maintain the provision of playspaces, including regular assessments of existing equipment to identify aging or outdated installations. Prioritise the timely replacement of aging playground equipment with modern, trend-aligned installations to enhance safety, improve accessibility and enhance user engagement.</p> <p>Playgrounds exist at the following locations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • William Woods Reserve Playground • Heritage Drive Playground 	Ongoing	WSC Community	Low
3.4.	<p>New Sport and Recreation Infrastructure - Implement additional local, district, shire-wide and regional sport and recreation infrastructure. Refer Strategy 2</p>	-	-	-

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4. Strategy: Bargo - Yanderra - Pheasants Nest - Ensure that Wollondilly Shire Council offers a balanced network of sport and recreation facilities across its towns and rural localities through provision of strategically distributed, quality and diverse regional, district and local-level facilities.

Rationale - The Bargo-Yanderra-Pheasant Nest area, situated in the southernmost part of the Shire, spans across 7,836 hectares surrounded by expansive conservation areas and national parks. As of 2024, the population, according to Forecast ID, stands at 6,024 residents, with a gradual increase projected to reach 6,362 by 2041. Notably, the area has a lower proportion of children (under 18) and a higher proportion of people aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire. At the heart of community activity lies the Bargo Sportsground, featuring an oval encircled by a disused trotting track, complemented by the Bargo Community Hall, playspace, fitness equipment, tennis courts, skatepark, BMX jumps and other built support facilities of varying conditions. Approximately 5km south of Bargo, Birralee Park services the Yanderra community, strategically located next to the Yanderra Public School. It comprises a half-court basketball and netball area, as well as fitness and play equipment, catering to the recreational needs of residents in the area.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
4.1.	<p>Bargo Sportsground: Prepare a staged master plan for the Bargo Sportsground to guide the short, medium and long-term provision of high-quality, local level sport and recreation facilities.</p> <p>Key considerations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removal of the trotting track • Realignment of the rugby fields to NW-SE • Sustainable drainage and irrigation • Field fencing • Consolidation of outbuildings • Relocation of tennis courts within the sportsground site • Consideration of multi-use courts to accommodate various activities • Potential for future enhancements to the youth zone area • Improvements to the Bargo Community Hall, envisioning it as a central hub to cater to the diverse needs of all clubs and the wider community. • Review at Master Plan at expiry 	2025 - 2031	<p>WSC</p> <p>Club/User Groups</p> <p>Community</p>	Low
4.2.	<p>Playspaces: Retain and maintain the provision of playspaces, including regular assessments of existing equipment to identify aging our outdated installations. Prioritise the timely replacement of aging playground equipment with modern, trend-aligned installations to enhance safety, improve accessibility and enhance user engagement.</p> <p>Playgrounds exist at the following locations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bargo Community Park Playground • Birralee Park 	Ongoing	<p>WSC</p> <p>Community</p>	Low

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
4.3.	Playspace: Investigate establishment of a new east Bargo park through acquiring land or through establishing a strategic partnership with NSW Department of Education to upgrade the existing playground to cater to the school students and community on the eastern side of the railway (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).	2025 - 2031	WSC Community NSW Department of Education	Low
4.4.	Berrico Park: Embellish Berrico Park, Bargo as a local park (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).	2025 - 2031	WSC	Low

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5. Strategy: Buxton – Couridjah - Ensure that Wollondilly Shire Council offers a balanced network of sport and recreation facilities across its towns and rural localities through provision of strategically distributed, quality and diverse regional, district and local-level facilities

Rationale

Buxton is approximately 8kms from Tahmoor, and Couridjah can be considered as an extension of Tahmoor. As of 2024, the population for Buxton-Couridjah, according to Forecast ID, stands at 2,213 residents, with a gradual increase projected to reach 2,236 by 2041. The area is well serviced for organised sport due to the new Tahmoor District Sporting Complex, which offers facilities for football (soccer), athletics, cricket and netball.

Within Buxton, Telopea Park provides a contemporary precinct with a half-court basketball area, a cricket net, village green, fitness equipment, a youth zone including a skate park, and a playground. It is important that this precinct is maintained to catering to the recreational needs of residents in the area.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
5.1.	<p>Telopea Park: Retain and maintain the Telopea Park. Including formalisation of the car parking arrangements as per the masterplan (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).</p> <p>Consider opportunities to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve the cricket nets • Ensure the grass area is kept in optimal condition to support sporting activities • Support community events and gatherings 	Ongoing	WSC Community	Low

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6. Strategy: Camden Park - Mount Hunter – Cawdor - Ensure that Wollondilly Shire Council offers a balanced network of sport and recreation facilities across its towns and rural localities through provision of strategically distributed, quality and diverse regional, district and local-level facilities

Rationale - Camden Park - Mount Hunter – Cawdor area, is surrounded by rural lands and is bounded by Greater Western Sydney. As of 2024, the population, according to Forecast ID, stands at 3,229 residents, with a gradual decrease projected 3,139 by 2041. Notably, the area has a higher proportion of children (under 18) and a lower proportion of people aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire.

The area is well serviced for organised sport due to the proximity to the Greater Western Sydney suburbs, providing sporting venues within a reasonable commuting distance. Examples of this include the:

- Narellan Sports Hub, Narellan: offering a synthetic athletics track, multipurpose fields, forty-four netball courts
- Hilder Reserve, Elderslie: catering for the Camden Red Sox Baseball Club with six diamonds
- Doohan Reserve, Oran Park: offering 4 full size pitches and modern split level clubhouse for the Oran Park Rovers Football Club (Soccer), along with eight tennis courts and two multipurpose courts
- Worrell Park, Ruse: also called J Peters Field this park caters to both cricket and rugby league.

Cubbitch Barta Reserve offers one multi-purpose court and one tennis court, along with a playground and fitness equipment to accommodate local recreational needs of the community.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
6.1.	<p>Playspaces: Retain and maintain the provision of playspaces, including regular assessments of existing equipment to identify aging our outdated installations. Prioritise the timely replacement of aging playground equipment with modern, trend-aligned installations to enhance safety, improve accessibility and enhance user engagement.</p> <p>Playgrounds exist at the following locations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cubbitch Barta Reserve • Peppercorn Park Playground 	Ongoing	WSC Community	Low
6.2.	<p>Cubbitch Barta Reserve: Retain and maintain the courts (tennis and multi-purpose) at Cubbitch Barta Reserve to cater to the recreational needs of the local community.</p>	2025 - 2031	WSC Club/User Groups Community	Low

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7. Strategy: Wilton - Ensure that Wollondilly Shire Council offers a balanced network of sport and recreation facilities across its towns and rural localities through provision of strategically distributed, quality and diverse regional, district and local-level facilities

Rationale - The Wilton area is projected to experience significant growth, necessitating the development of additional local, district, shire-wide and regional social infrastructure, as outlined in Strategy 1. Currently, the area has only one local-level sportsground: Wilton Recreation Reserve. It will be crucial to maximise the use and efficiency of the existing sportsgrounds while new facilities are developed.

Wilton Recreation Reserve consists of an oval, rectangular pitch, courts and built support facilities. The Wilton Recreation Reserve Landscape Master Plan was completed in 2016 with football (soccer) and court facilities subsequently developed. Hannaford Oval, the home of the only Australian Rules Football competition within the Shire, requires development and upgrades, with an emphasis on creating a female friendly community sports facility.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
7.1.	<p>Wilton Recreation Reserve: Implement, in stages, the remaining Wilton Recreation Reserve Landscape Master Plan (2016) which includes Hannaford Oval Sportsfield renovations and improvement.</p> <p>Consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upgrade to winged sportsfield (one oval with two rectangular fields) The establishment of rectangular fields overlaying the existing Hannaford Oval should not be undertaken until such time as alternative facilities are provided for AFL (noting it is the only AFL facility in the Shire). Review at Master Plan at expiry 	2025 - 2031	<p>WSC</p> <p>Club/User Groups</p> <p>Community</p>	Medium – High
7.2.	<p>Playspace: Retain and maintain the provision of playspaces, including regular assessments of existing equipment to identify aging our outdated installations. Prioritise the timely replacement of aging playground equipment with modern, trend-aligned installations to enhance safety, improve accessibility and enhance user engagement.</p>	Ongoing	<p>WSC</p> <p>Community</p>	Low
7.3.	<p>New Sport and Recreation Infrastructure - Implement additional local, district, Shire-wide sport and recreation infrastructure. Refer to Strategy 1</p>	-	-	-

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8. Strategy: Menangle – Razorback - Douglas Park - Ensure that Wollondilly Shire Council offers a balanced network of sport and recreation facilities across its towns and rural localities through provision of strategically distributed, quality and diverse regional, district and local-level facilities

Rationale

Menangle is located 5km north of Douglas Park and 15km east of Picton. As of 2024, the population for Menangle-Razorback, according to Forecast ID, stands at 2,513 residents, with a steady increase projected to reach 3,280 by 2041. The area is well serviced for playspaces, featuring Dean McGrath Park Playground, Rotolactor Park Playground and the current rejuvenation at The Old Menangle School to create a destination park. Additionally, nearby sports precincts such as Douglas Park Sportsground and the Wollondilly Leisure Centre offer aquatic and organised sport opportunities with reasonable commuting distances. The demand projections have identified the future requirement of less than one court for each of netball, basketball, tennis and multi-purpose use. With a population of 3,280 there is a need for one multi-purpose court to accommodate these sports and serve the community.

Douglas Park Sportsground is located in Douglas Park, with the primary route from Appin and Wilton requiring travel under the motorway, navigating a river crossing and narrow road passage. This route may present challenges particularly during peak times or adverse weather conditions, to cater for the Appin and Wilton Growth Areas. The sportsground is well utilised for soccer, athletics, dog agility, tennis and passive recreation such as play and fitness. Despite its current utility, there is potential for further development to enhance its capacity and functionality.

Review Strategy 8 alongside any major employment lands proposals before rezoning occurs (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
8.1.	Menangle Old School Site: Continue to implement the Menangle Old School Site for optimised activation of this site for the benefit of the community.	Complete	WSC Community	Medium
8.2.	Douglas Park Sportsground: Continue to implement, in stages, the Douglas Park Sportsground Landscape Master Plan (2021) with the intention to review at expiry. Include opportunities to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhance ground drainage Improve car parking capacity and infrastructure including use of nearby paper road Implement the next stage of the adopted masterplan BMX bike facility (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).	2025 - 2031	WSC Club/User Groups Community	High
8.3.	Playspace: Retain and maintain the provision of playspaces, including regular assessments of existing equipment to identify aging our outdated installations. Prioritise the timely replacement of aging playground equipment with modern, trend-aligned installations to enhance safety, improve accessibility and enhance user engagement. Playgrounds exist at the following locations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dean McGrath Park Playground Rotolactor Park Playground Camden Road Reserve Playground. 	Ongoing	WSC Community	Low

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
8.4.	Multi-purpose court: Plan towards and deliver x1 multi-purpose court in future development areas (Timeframe: 2037 – 2040)	2030 – 2036 (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).	WSC Club/User Groups Community	Low
8.5.	Razorback Lookout: In consultation with the community, explore opportunities to develop the site as a tourism stop and potentially as an area for passive recreation.	2037 - 2040	WSC Community	Low
8.6.	Sportsfields: Plan towards and deliver additional sportsfields (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).	2041 - 2050+	WSC Community	Medium
8.7.	Nepean River Reserve: Investigate pedestrian linkage to the existing Nepean River Reserve providing local access to natural swimming facilities (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).	2041 - 2050+	WSC	Medium
8.8.	Douglas Park Causeway (“Archies Crossing”): Investigate a strategy for Douglas Park Causeway (“Archies Crossing”) at Douglas Park to improve access and safety to natural swimming and recreation facilities (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).	2041 - 2050+	WSC	Medium

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9. Strategy: Oakdale - Nattai - National Park- Ensure that Wollondilly Shire Council offers a balanced network of sport and recreation facilities across its towns and rural localities through provision of strategically distributed, quality and diverse regional, district and local-level facilities

Rationale - The Oakdale - Nattai - National Park area, spans across 160,140 hectares of which the majority is National Park or Conservation Area. As of 2024, the population, according to Forecast ID, stands at 2,181 residents, with a gradual increase projected to reach 2,637 by 2041. Notably, the area has a lower proportion of children (under 18) and a similar proportion of people aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire. At the heart of Oakdale is Willis Park, featuring an oval with built support facilities catering for soccer and cricket, with play and fitness equipment located in the park area adjacent to Burragorang Rd. There is also the Oakdale Workers Sporting and Recreation Club, a privately owned Rugby League facility catering to the Oakdale Workers Rugby League Football Club.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
9.1.	<p>Willis Park: Continue with progressive facility enhancements at Willis Park (i.e. carpark, driveway) to foster community pride.</p> <p>Consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upgrades in field lighting (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025). 	2025 - 2031	<p>WSC</p> <p>Club/User Groups</p> <p>Community</p>	Low
9.2.	<p>Oakdale Community Hall Park: In consultation with the community and user groups, review the function of the Oakdale Community Hall Park and ensure that a strategic direction is provided for this facility to meet the needs of the community. Accommodate for flexible use and diversification of programs for further activation of the facility.</p> <p>Including delivery of the new hall and prioritise any outstanding embellishments for the site, like parking, should it be needed in the future (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).</p>	2032 - 2036	<p>WSC</p> <p>Club/User Groups</p> <p>Community</p>	Medium
9.3.	<p>Council Owned Land: Identify and investigate the embellishment of the council owned land adjacent to Braycharlo Estate to a local level park (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).</p>	2041 - 2050+	WSC	Medium

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10. Strategy: Orangeville - Theresa Park – Werombi - Ensure that Wollondilly Shire Council offers a balanced network of sport and recreation facilities across its towns and rural localities through provision of strategically distributed, quality and diverse regional, district and local-level facilities

Rationale - Orangeville - Theresa Park – Werombi is bounded by the locality of Silverdale and the southern edge of Gulguer Nature Reserve in the north, the Nepean River and Sickles Creek in the east, Burragorang Road, Mount Hunter Rivulet, Flaggy Creek, Tabers Creek, the locality of The Oaks and Silverdale Road in the south, and Werriberri Creek in the west. As of 2024, the population for Orangeville - Theresa Park – Werombi, according to Forecast ID, stands at 3,409 residents, with a steady increase projected to reach 4,227 by 2041.

The area does not have any Council owned or managed sport or recreation facilities and relies on nearby sports precincts such as Dudley Chesham Sportsground to the south, Warragamba Sportsground and Swimming Pool and Waterboard Oval to the north and neighbouring Council owned venues such as Doohan Oval in Oran Park to meet demand. This model is suitable as the population density is 0.33persons per hectare, indicating a dispersed residential layout with a reliance on broader community facilities.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
10.1.	Future facility requirements: Continue to monitor sport and active recreation needs in the area to determine any future facility requirements.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups Community	Low

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11. Strategy: Picton - Mowbray Park – Maldon - Ensure that Wollondilly Shire Council offers a balanced network of sport and recreation facilities across its towns and rural localities through provision of strategically distributed, quality and diverse regional, district and local-level facilities

Rationale – The Picton-Mowbray Park - Maldon stands as the central administrative hub for the Wollondilly Shire. As of 2024, the population, according to Forecast ID, stands at 5,576 residents, with an increase projected to reach 6,874 by 2041. The Picton - Mowbray Park – Maldon area boasts a variety of sport and recreational facilities including Hume Oval, Victoria Park, Picton Sportsground and Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre.

The demand projections have identified the future requirement of less than one court for each of netball, basketball, tennis and multi-purpose use. With a population of 5,576 there is a need for an addition of two multi-purpose court to accommodate these sports and serve the community. One multi-use court will be provided through the upgrade of the existing basketball court at Hume Oval, while the proposed additional outdoor court at the Wollondilly Community Recreation Centre would further support training and playing capacity.

Currently, there are no local youth precincts. To better meet the needs of youth, it is recommended a youth precinct be developed in a central location with adequate transport links. Additionally, Redbank’s Reserve should consider integrating features such as parkour facilities, Wi-Fi-enabled zones, lighting and security.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
11.1.	<p>Hume Oval Precinct Master Plan: Implement, in stages, the Picton Parklands Master Plan (2022).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review Master Plan at expiry 	2025 – 2031	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	High
11.2.	<p>Victoria Park: Prepare a staged master plan for the Victoria Park to guide enhancement.</p> <p>Key considerations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Victoria Park (crown land, managed by WSC) Private ownership of Picton Showground area (Picton District Agricultural, Horticultural & Industrial Society Inc) Optimise drainage/irrigation (subject to flooding Stonequarry Creek) Provision of fit-for-purpose facilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NRL Preferred Facility Guidelines Picton Showground requirements Cater for semi-professional local First Grade competition Provision of playspace & youth precinct. Optimise connectivity Review Master Plan at expiry. 	2025 - 2031	<p>WSC PDAHIS Inc Club/User Groups Community</p>	Low

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
11.3.	<p>Picton Sportsground: Implement, in stages, the Picton Parklands – Plan of Management and Master Plan (2022).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review Master Plan at expiry. 	2025 – 2031	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	Medium – High
11.4.	<p>Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre: Investigate the feasibility of developing a multi-purpose outdoor court at the Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre.</p>	2025 - 2031	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	Low
11.5.	<p>Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre: Develop and implement an asset management plan for the Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre.</p>	2025 - 2031	WSC	Low
11.6.	<p>Redbank Reserve: Implement the Redbank Reserve Master Plan (2022) with consideration for integrating youth-orientated elements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review Master Plan at expiry. 	2025 - 2031	<p>WSC Community</p>	Medium
11.7.	<p>Local Youth Precinct: Plan towards and deliver x1 local youth precinct (skate/bmx)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refer 11.2 – Victoria Park 	2025 - 2031	<p>WSC Community</p>	Medium
11.8.	<p>Local playgrounds: Plan towards and deliver x2 Local playgrounds</p>	<i>Refer to each action below</i>		
	<p>x1 Local Playground at Redbank Reserve (Refer Strategy 11.6)</p>	2025 - 2031	<p>WSC Community</p>	Low
	<p>x1 Local Playground</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In consultation with relevant landowner, user groups and the community determine the ideal location for a local playground (e.g. Picton Sportsground, Victoria Park) 	2037 - 2040	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	Low

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
11.9.	<p>Playspace: Retain and maintain the provision of playspaces, including regular assessments of existing equipment to identify aging our outdated installations. Prioritise the timely replacement of aging playground equipment with modern, trend-aligned installations to enhance safety, improve accessibility and enhance user engagement.</p> <p>Playgrounds exist at the following locations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Botanic Gardens Playground (All-inclusive playground, 2024) • Wild Street Playground • Picton RSL Park Playground 	Ongoing	<p>WSC Community</p>	Low
11.10.	<p>Antill Park Country Golf Club: Retain and continue to develop a strategic partnership framework with the private management provider to enhance the overall value and impact of the Antill Park Golf Club for the community.</p>	Ongoing	<p>WSC Private Management</p>	Low

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12. Strategy: Tahmoor - Ensure that Wollondilly Shire Council offers a balanced network of sport and recreation facilities across its towns and rural localities through provision of strategically distributed, quality and diverse regional, district and local-level facilities

Rationale: Tahmoor is bordered by Myrtle Creek to the north, the Nepean River to the east, the Bargo River and Buxton to the south, and Couridjah and Thirlmere to the west. As of 2024, the population, according to Forecast ID, stands at 6,123 residents, with an increase projected to reach 7,779 by 2041. Notably, the area has a higher proportion of children (under 18) and a lower proportion of people aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire. The Tahmoor District Sporting Complex is an impressive asset, catering to athletes from across the region with facilities for football (soccer), athletics, cricket, and netball. The redevelopment of the soccer fields is currently underway. The precinct also features a skate park, bmx track and an all abilities playground, though these facilities require upgrading in line with the Tahmoor Sporting Complex Landscape Master Plan.

The population and demand projections have identified the need for additional outdoor basketball/multi-purpose court, however due to its proximity to the Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre of approximately 5kms, it would be strategically beneficial to support the development of an additional court at the Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
12.1.	<p>Tahmoor District Sporting Complex: Continue with the enhancements at Tahmoor District Sporting Complex for activation at the district-level, as well as to support the attraction of competitions and events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review Master Plan at expiry. 	Current	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	Medium
12.2.	<p>Tahmoor District Sporting Complex: Retain and maintain the provision of Reserve R56019 to meet the needs of the Tahmoor Riding for the Disabled and Pony Club Facility now and into the future.</p>	Ongoing		Low
12.3.	<p>The Acres Park: Retain and maintain The Acres Park.</p>	Ongoing	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	Low
12.4.	<p>Multi-purpose court: Plan towards and deliver x1 multi-purpose court.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If feasible, develop an additional court at the Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre (Refer Strategy 11.4) Also, consider the opportunity of converting one of the existing tennis courts at Emmett Park into a multi-purpose court to cater for demand in traditional court sports. 	2025 - 2031	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	Low
12.5.	<p>Emmett Park: Retain and maintain Emmett Park.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refer to Strategy 12.4 Conversion of a tennis court into a multi-purpose court. 	Ongoing	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	Low

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
12.6.	<p>Multi-purpose court: Plan towards and deliver x1 multi-purpose court. Consider establishing a strategic partnership with the NSW Department of Education (Tahmoor Public School) to upgrade the existing basketball court to a multi-purpose court to cater to the school students and community for maximum benefit.</p>	2037 - 2040	<p>WSC NSW Department of Education Community</p>	Low
12.7.	<p>Playspace: Retain and maintain the provision of playspaces, including regular assessments of existing equipment to identify aging our outdated installations. Prioritise the timely replacement of aging playground equipment with modern, trend-aligned installations to enhance safety, improve accessibility and enhance user engagement.</p> <p>Playgrounds exist at the following locations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ibbotson St Reserve Playground • Wild Street Playground • Tahmoor Community Centre Playground • Progress St Park Playground 	Ongoing	<p>WSC Community</p>	Low
12.8.	<p>District Park: Plan towards and deliver a potential District Park at Tahmoor Park (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).</p>	2041 - 2050+	WSC	Medium

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13. Strategy: The Oaks - Belimbla Park – Glenmore - Ensure that Wollondilly Shire Council offers a balanced network of sport and recreation facilities across its towns and rural localities through provision of strategically distributed, quality and diverse regional, district and local-level facilities

Rationale - The Oaks - Belimbla Park - Glenmore is bordered by Orangeville to the north, Mount Hunter to the east, Mowbray Park to the south, and Oakdale to the west. As of 2024, the population, according to Forecast ID, stands at 3,823 residents, with a modest increase projected to reach 4,031 by 2041. Notably, the area has a higher proportion of children (under 18) and a lower proportion of people aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire.

The Dudley Chesham Sportsground serves as a focal point for the community’s sporting and recreational activities and is currently undergoing enhancements with a new amenity building and community facility. Planned future stages involve reconfiguring and upgrading tennis and netball courts, as well as improvements to the rugby field, cricket oval and nets (refer Strategy 13.1). Additionally, the Shire’s first small scale water play facility was built at Barrallier Park (2024), strategically located near the town centre for convenient accessibility and visibility. The population and demand projections have identified the need for additional outdoor basketball/multi-purpose courts.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
13.1.	<p>Dudley Chesham Sportsground: Implement, in stages, the Dudley Chesham Sportsground Master Plan (2019).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prioritisation of lighting of sports field, multipurpose courts and carpark at Dudley Chesham in the next stage of development (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025). • Review Master Plan at expiry. 	2025 - 2031	WSC Club/User Groups Community	High
13.2.	<p>Multi-purpose court: Plan towards and deliver x2 multi-purpose courts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When upgrading the netball courts at Dudley Chesham Sportsground (x3 courts as specified in the Master Plan), consider incorporating multi-purposes court to enhance facility versatility. 	2025 - 2031	WSC Club/User Groups Community	Low
13.3.	<p>Barrallier Park Water Play Facility: Implement a comprehensive maintenance plan to uphold the facility’s functionality and safety standards.</p>	Ongoing	WSC	Low
13.4.	<p>Playspace: Retain and maintain the provision of playspaces, including regular assessments of existing equipment to identify aging our outdated installations. Prioritise the timely replacement of aging playground equipment with modern, trend-aligned installations to enhance safety, improve accessibility and enhance user engagement. Playgrounds exist at the following locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Browns Rd Reserve Playground • W S Williams Park Playground • Gundungurra Park Playground (Inconsistent signage spelling observed in park) • Harold Noakes Park Playground • Fisher Street Playground 	Ongoing	WSC Community	Low

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14. Strategy: Thirlmere – Lakesland - Ensure that Wollondilly Shire Council offers a balanced network of sport and recreation facilities across its towns and rural localities through provision of strategically distributed, quality and diverse regional, district and local-level facilities

Rationale - Thirlmere – Lakesland is bordered by Sheehys Creek Road, Oakdale, Rockbarton Road, Barkers Lodge Road, Fergusson Road, Mowbray Park, and the Stone Quarry, Cedar, and Matthews Creeks to the north. To the east, it is bounded by Picton, Tahmoor, and Nattai Street. The southern boundary includes Slides Road, Couridjah, West Parade, Buxton, and Wingecarribee Shire, while Little River defines the western edge. As of 2024, the population, according to Forecast ID, stands at 6,086 residents, with a modest increase projected to reach 7,461 by 2041. Notably, the area has a lower proportion of children (under 18) and a higher proportion of people aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire.

Adjacent to the Thirlmere Public School, Thirlmere Sports Ground is undergoing a Master Planning process currently that includes Thirlmere Memorial Park. This precinct is highly valued by the community and the vision is to create an active and vibrant green spine that unites the heart of Thirlmere Village and provides for the social and recreational needs of the community. Thirlmere benefits from its proximity to Tahmoor District Sporting Complex, just 2km away, and the Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre, located 5kms away, enhancing access to additional sport and recreation facilities.

The population and demand projections have identified the need for additional outdoor basketball/multi-purpose courts, youth precinct, outdoor fitness and playgrounds. This requirement can be effectively addressed through the implementation of the Memorial Park & Thirlmere Sportsground Master Plan, alongside the installation of a playground within an existing park, that is surrounded by new housing.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
14.1.	<p>Thirlmere Sportsground: Implement, in stages, the Memorial Park & Thirlmere Sportsground Master Plan (2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review Master Plan at expiry. 	Ongoing	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	High
14.2.	<p>Outdoor fitness equipment: Plan towards and deliver x1 outdoor fitness equipment Refer to Strategy 14.1</p>	2025 - 2031	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	Low-Medium
14.3.	<p>Multi-purpose court: Plan towards and deliver x2 multi-purpose courts. Refer to Strategy 14.1</p>	2025 - 2031	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	Low
14.4.	<p>Local Youth Precinct: Plan towards and deliver x1 local youth precinct (skate/bmx): Refer to Strategy 14.1</p>	2037 - 2040	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	Low

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
14.5.	Memorial Park: Implement, in stages, the Memorial Park & Thirlmere Sportsground Master Plan (2024)	Ongoing	WSC Community	Medium
14.6.	Local playgrounds: Plan towards and deliver x2 Local playgrounds	<i>Refer to actions below.</i>		
	x1 Local Playground Progress planning for the funded play space in East Thirlmere, with consideration for land acquisition and additional funding opportunities (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).	2025 - 2031	WSC Community	Low
	x1 Local Playground	2032 - 2040	WSC Community	Low

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15. Strategy: Wallacia - Warragamba – Silverdale - Ensure that Wollondilly Shire Council offers a balanced network of sport and recreation facilities across its towns and rural localities through provision of strategically distributed, quality and diverse regional, district and local-level facilities

Rationale - Wallacia - Warragamba - Silverdale is defined by the Nepean River to the north and northeast, Liverpool City and the Nepean River to the southeast, the southern border of Gulguer Nature Reserve and the area of Werombi to the south, and Werriberri Creek and the Warragamba River to the west. As of 2024, the population, according to Forecast ID, stands at 6,180 residents, with a modest increase projected to reach 7,838 by 2041. Notably, the area has a higher proportion of children (under 18) and a lower proportion of people aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire.

The Warragamba Sportsground, Warragamba Swimming Pool (Mary Walker Memorial Swimming Pool) and Warragamba Waterboard Oval (including Warragamba Recreation Reserve) serves as a focal point for the community’s sporting and recreational activities. The Warragamba Open Space Master Plan is a visionary document that involves significant works to be delivered over time. The area is currently undergoing enhancements is the Warragamba Waterboard Oval upgrade and new netball courts project. The population and demand projections have identified the need for additional outdoor basketball/multi-purposes and netball courts if all of the courts are changed to netball only.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
15.1.	Warragamba Swimming Pool (Mary Walker Memorial Swimming Pool): Develop and implement an asset management plan for the Warragamba Swimming Pool.	2025 - 2031	WSC Club/User Groups	Low
15.2.	Warragamba Swimming Pool (Mary Walker Memorial Swimming Pool): Implement, Warragamba Sportsground Master Plan swimming pool long term 10-20 year cycle pool refurbishment. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review Master Plan at expiry. 	2037 - 2040	Community	Medium
15.3.	Warragamba Recreation Reserve & Warragamba Sportsground: Implement, in stages the Warragamba Open Space Master Plan. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review Master Plan at expiry. 	2025 – 2036	WSC Club/User Groups Community	High
15.4.	Playspace: Retain and maintain the provision of playspaces, including regular assessments of existing equipment to identify aging our outdated installations. Prioritise the timely replacement of aging playground equipment with modern, trend-aligned installations to enhance safety, improve accessibility and enhance user engagement. Playgrounds exist at the following locations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dunbar St Reserve Playground Eugenie Byrne Park Playground Lake Victoria Way Playground Warragamba Civic Park Playground Warragamba Recreation Reserve Playground and Kimpara Playground 	Ongoing	WSC Community	Low

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Non-Council owned or Managed Facilities

16. Strategy: Support the continued provision of high-quality sport and recreation facilities at non-council owned/managed venues, contributing to a balanced network across Wollondilly Shire Council.

Rationale – Sport and recreation facilities owned and managed by organizations other than the Council (e.g., schools, clubs, private operators) are important components of the region’s sport and recreation facility network. There are some activities, such as golf, lawn bowls, fitness, and dance, which rely on provision from providers other than the Council, and continued access for community use is to be encouraged.

School facilities offer important capacity options for sport and recreation. In the context of a growing population and increasing pressure on sport facilities, there may be opportunities to achieve synergies between the facility needs of schools/education bodies and those of the community. It is important for the Council to maintain collaborative relationships with schools and the NSW Department of Education (School Infrastructure). Consideration of the:

- Education Facilities Standards Guidelines (EFSG 2.0): Provides information and tools required to design and build new school assets, utilizing a set of standard components. It also provides guidance for undertaking school upgrades, based on a clear set of design principles and space requirements.
- Expression of Interest (EOI): The NSW Department of Education is interested in receiving EOIs from those interested in joint use agreements or shared use licenses on school sites.
- Best Practice Example: PCYC Port Macquarie is a purpose-built facility offering quality activities across various sports and activities.
- Case Study: Bella Vista Public School's sporting facility, which includes a full-size synthetic football field and a two-court sports hall, was made possible through an agreement between The Hills Shire Council and the Department of Education, allowing public access outside school hours.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
16.1.	<p>School Infrastructure: Establish a strategic partnership with the NSW Department of Education (School Infrastructure) to develop shared use recreational and sports facilities in new and expanding areas, such as Appin and Wilton.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Ensure the development of venues, facilities and amenities meets the typical minimum levels of provision recommended in the code specific facility guidelines (i.e. minimum run-off area, lighting, fencing, changerooms etc)</i> • <i>Encourage and support clubs, organisations to submit expression of interests (EOI) for joint use agreements or shared use licences on school sites.</i> • <i>Continue to identify school facilities in the Shire to identify suitable sites for ‘Share Our Space’ program to allow community members to use the school’s outdoor facilities during holidays for a wide range of activities, from sports and recreation to cultural events and celebrations</i> 	Ongoing	<p>NSW Department of Education</p> <p>WSC</p> <p>Club/User Groups</p> <p>Community</p>	Medium - High

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
16.2.	<p>Non-Council owned or Managed Facilities: Support and encourage the continued provision of high quality sport and recreation facilities which are used and valued by the community, host events and encourage active lifestyles. Examples of non-Council owned or managed facilities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Picton Bowling Club • Oakdale Workers Sporting and Recreation Club • Bargo Sports Club • Bingara Gorge 	Ongoing	<p>Facility Owners/Clubs Clubs/User Groups WSC</p>	Low
16.3.	<p>Private Gyms, Fitness Centres and Independent Studios: Continue to support the provision of high-quality, commercially viable gyms, fitness centres, yoga, Pilates and dance studios to facilitate active lifestyles for the growing population.</p>	Ongoing	<p>Facility Owners/Clubs Community WSC</p>	Low
16.4.	<p>National Parks and Conservation Areas: Work collaboratively with NSW National Parks and Wildlife Services and other key stakeholders to promote the regions trail opportunities relating to walking, running, mountain biking, horse riding and canoe/kayaking.</p>	Ongoing	<p>NSW National Parks and Wildlife Services WSC</p>	Low

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Research and Planning

17. Strategy: Strategically research and plan for the continued progression of sport and recreation across the Wollondilly Shire Council area to ensure the provision of a balanced network of facilities to meet the needs of current and future populations.

Rationale – Given the anticipated growth predicted for the Wollondilly Shire Council is it imperative to consistently enhance the sport, recreation, and open space infrastructure. This involves responding to identified strategic programs and demonstrated community needs to ensure that investments in facilities yield maximum community benefit. While the development of the Community Sport and Recreation Needs Strategy has involved extensive consultation with stakeholders and the community, alongside an assessment of future requirements, further consultation and evaluation are necessary. This is particularly important during phases of growth areas such as Wilton and Appin.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
17.1.	<p>Community Facilities: Prepare a Community Facilities Strategy to strategically plan for future infrastructure needs and programming, encompassing the aspects related to community facilities outlined in the <i>Open Space, Recreation and Community Facilities Strategy (2014)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complement the <i>Community Sport and Recreation Needs Strategy 2024</i>. 	2025 - 2031	<p>WSC Clubs/User Groups Community</p>	Low
17.2.	<p>Hierarchical Provision of Facilities: Where opportunities arise, align facilities with strategic hierarchies/directions identified by state sporting organisations.</p> <p>For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tennis NSW Venue Hierarchy (2021), <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Regional and Metro Performance Hub (Min 8ITF courts plus 2 practice courts), Premier Community Venue (10-16 competition courts), Full-Service Community Venue (6-12 courts) and Community Venue (4-8 courts) or Community Access Venue (1-3 courts) • Community Rugby League – Preferred Facility Guidelines (2021) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Facility Hierarchy - State, Regional and Local Facility Components – Main Pavilion/Amenities Building, Field of Play and Additional Facilities 	Ongoing	<p>WSC Clubs/User Groups SSOs</p>	Low
17.3.	<p>Master Plans: Continue to prepare master plans to guide the development and enhancement of sport and recreation precincts.</p> <p>Master plans identified within the Strategy include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Wilton and Appin Growth Area Precincts • Appin AIS Sportsground • Bargo Sportsground • Victoria Park 	Ongoing	<p>WSC Clubs/User Groups SSOs Community</p>	Low

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
17.4.	Integration with Strategic Plans: Ensure that strategic direction for sport and recreation is integrated into Council's suite of strategic planning documents and implemented accordingly, for example <i>Wollondilly 2033 – Community Strategic Plan 2022/23 – 2032/33</i> .	Ongoing	WSC	Low
17.5.	Parks Hierarchy Plan: Develop a Parks Hierarchy Plan as a strategic framework to guide the current and future provision and services of parks and open space across the Wollondilly region. Incorporate the delivery of unique architectural playgrounds, design aspects and destination playgrounds like Wadanggari Park, Sydney and Bradbury Park, Brisbane. Review Council's land register to ensure all parks and recreation areas are captured when developing the Parks Hierarchy Plan (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025). Parks such as Razorback Lookout, Glenrock Reserve, Apex Park, Pot Holes Reserve, Tahmoor Park, Lin Gordon Reserve, Bell Street Reserve, Berrico Park, Ninth Street Park, Dam Builders Reserve and Sixth Street Park.	Ongoing	WSC	Low
17.6.	Playspace and Outdoor Fitness: Review the distribution of playspaces and outdoor fitness equipment across the Wollondilly region to ensure a strategic direction.	2025 - 2031	WSC	Low
17.7.	Recreational Trails Strategy: Prepare a Wollondilly Regional Recreational Trails Strategy to strategically plan for the enhancement of existing trails and the development of new trails across the region, assessing opportunities relating to walking, mountain biking, horse riding and canoe/kayaking.	2025 – 2031	WSC Clubs/User Groups Community	Low
17.8.	Strategic Facility Planning Training: Support and encourage clubs and service providers to prepare strategic facility plans. Consider introducing the requirement for business/facility plans to be prepared and submitted by the lessee/club when seeking future facility leases and for major funding applications through Council.	Ongoing	WSC Clubs/User Groups	Low
17.9.	Healthy and Inclusive Cultures: Promote active and healthy lifestyle choices across all sport and recreation providers (i.e. responsible alcohol consumption, healthy eating) to encourage community involvement and facilitate a healthy, inclusive culture.	Ongoing	WSC Clubs/User Groups	Low

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
17.10.	<p>Employment Lands: In cases where proposed zoning leads to new major employment generating developments, ensure the provision of local sport, recreation and amenities for workers including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local parks / passive open space, sporting fields, seating and shade structures, connected network of footpaths, outdoor fitness equipment, multipurpose outdoor courts, bicycle infrastructure (i.e. cycleways and bicycle parking). 	Ongoing	<p>WSC Developers Community</p>	Low
17.11.	<p>Facilities Design Manual: Prepare a Facilities Design Manual to provide guidelines and best practice for construction of future infrastructure needs and the renewal of existing facilities. Encompassing aspects such as but not limited to preferred equipment, provision of amenities, landscaping and fencing.</p>	2025 <i>Regular updates in line with standards.</i>	<p>WSC SSOs</p>	Low

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Clubs and Service Providers

<p>Women in Sport</p> <p>18. Strategy: Implement measures to promote gender inclusivity and enhance accessible sporting facilities and initiatives across the Shire, aiming to achieve to achieve equal participation opportunities with a balanced 50/50 gender participation ratio in local sports and Council facilities.</p>
<p>Rationale</p> <p>The Council resolved on the 26 July 2022:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commit to a goal of 50/50 gender participation in sport locally and the use of council facilities by 2032 • Commit to a goal of having Wollondilly sporting facilities gender all-inclusive and accessible with suitable change facilities where required for teams and referees.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
18.1.	<p>Gender All-inclusive: Facilitate the continuous development and improvement of sport and recreation facilities to establish gender all-inclusive and accessible environments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Embed the Greater Sydney Commissions 'Women's Safety Charter' in the renewal and development of facilities and open space.</i> 	Ongoing	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	Low
18.2.	<p>Female Representation: Implement initiatives to ensure that the Sportsground Volunteer Engagement Panels achieve a minimum of 50% female representation in their next election cycle.</p>	2025+		Low
18.3.	<p>Fees and Charges: Update the fees and charges and hire policies to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prioritise seasonal bookings for sporting clubs that have female teams or participants, or • provide evidence that they are actively developing female participation or teams and/or have inclusive policies and pathways for women in their local club. 	2025+		Low
18.4.	<p>Marketing Campaign: Continue to promote and celebrate female athletes and their achievements, aiming to inspire increased participation among girls and women in sport.</p>	Ongoing	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	Low
18.5.	<p>Training Programs: Encourage and work with state and national bodies to consider providing localised, cost effective training programs tailored for women and girls (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).</p>	Ongoing	<p>WSC SSO's Community</p>	Low

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18.6.	Annual Progress Review: Report annually on progress towards Council's goal of all-inclusive facilities and 50/50 participation in sport (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups	Low
18.7.	All-inclusive Facilities Audit: Conduct and audit and provide a report to Council on the current state of gender all-inclusive facilities and a recommended priority works list to be incorporated in the Capital Works Program (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).	2025 – 2031	WSC	Low
18.8.	Future Sports Demand Analysis: Periodically assess participation rates and demand for sports not yet catered for in Wollondilly, like Hockey and ensure early planning is considered for their needs (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).	Ongoing	WSC SSO's Community	Low

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Advanced Technology

19. Strategy: Adopt strategic IT implementations to enhance operational efficiency, improve customer service, and increase financial viability of all of Council's sport and recreation facilities.

Rationale - Incorporating advanced technology is essential to modernising facilities, enhancing operational efficiency, and improving overall service delivery to the community. The adoption of strategic IT implementations aligns with Wollondilly's commitment to providing accessible, inclusive, and sustainable sport and recreation opportunities. An example of successful technology integration is demonstrated by the North Narrabeen Community and Tennis Centre. When booking a court online, users receive a unique access PIN via email or SMS upon payment confirmation. This PIN grants exclusive access to the court during the scheduled session times, thereby, reducing the administrative burden on volunteers and creating a revenue stream.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
19.1.	<p>Incorporate Advanced Technology: Integrate state of the art technology solutions such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • app-controlled lighting, irrigation systems, and locking mechanisms for facilities, to enhance operational efficiency and security. • Smart sensors and monitoring systems to optimise resource usage (water, electricity) and reduce operational costs 	Ongoing	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	Low
19.2.	<p>Enhance Customer Experience: Continue to support and improve the existing online booking system, facility reservations and program registration platform to further enhance user convenience.</p>	Ongoing	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	Low
19.3.	<p>Sustainability: Integrate eco-friendly technologies, such as solar panels and water tanks where practical, fostering sustainability and facilitating proactive resource management strategies for enhanced environmental stewardship.</p>	Ongoing	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	Low
19.4.	<p>Enhancing Access: Locate access keys where feasible in local towns and villages for better customer experience in the short term and to investigate and implement keyless facilities and improved online booking systems in the medium to long term (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).</p>	Ongoing	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	Low
19.5.	<p>Asset Protection: To install CCTV Cameras where antisocial behaviour or high value assets require additional surveillance (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).</p>	Ongoing	<p>WSC Club/User Groups Community</p>	Low

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Governance, Training and Development

20. Strategy: Support training and development opportunities for volunteers and administrators of sport and recreation clubs, associations and service providers to continually improve their governance and management.

Rationale - Local government can play a key role in supporting local clubs, associations and service providers through the facilitation of training and development opportunities for volunteers, staff, coaches and officials. Organisations such as the Office of Sport, NSW Volunteering, Sport NSW and various State Sporting Organisations provide training opportunities and there is an opportunity to partner with these organisations to deliver training and development programs. Up-skilling key stakeholders who manage provision of sport and recreation will assist in ensuring a more professional and effective sporting service will be provided to the community.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
20.1.	Sports Operational Meetings: Continue to facilitate Sports Forum on a biannual basis to discuss and proactively improve day to day operations and functions unique to a sport.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups Community	Low
20.2.	Training and Development: Support members of the Wollondilly region volunteering community to upskill and attend relevant training courses which enhance the operations of sport and recreation clubs and build upon community-based leadership capacity. This may include training in subjects such as strategic facility planning, child protection requirements, recruitment, retention and management of volunteers, event planning, financial management, risk management and governance.	Ongoing	WSC SGVEP Club/User Groups Community	Low
20.3.	Club Accreditation: Encourage all sport and recreation clubs to become accredited with relevant schemes such as <i>Good Sports</i> , Football's <i>National Club Accreditation Scheme</i> (NCAS) or Rugby League's <i>Blue Shield Program and She Hoops</i> , which encourage good governance, and safe and inclusive environments which maximise community participation.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups Community	Low
20.4.	Healthy and Inclusive Cultures: Promote active and healthy lifestyle choices across all sport and recreation providers (i.e. responsible alcohol consumption, healthy eating) to encourage community involvement and facilitate a healthy, inclusive culture.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups Community	Low

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Volunteering

21. Strategy: Assist clubs and service providers in developing and maintaining strong volunteer bases

Rationale

Volunteers are the backbone of all community-based clubs and associations. Without volunteers, community-level sport and recreation would not function effectively. Sporting volunteers are the largest section of the volunteer market and there is a need to recognise this major contribution to the community through positive social, health and economic impacts. Council currently facilitates an annual Australia Day Award which includes the Wollondilly Citizen of the Year. In 2024, this honour was bestowed upon a longstanding member of the Wollondilly Pony Club, who has contributed 35 years of service to the Wollondilly Riding for the Disabled.

A dedicated Volunteering page has been created on <https://www.wollondilly.nsw.gov.au/events-and-community/volunteering/> and offers training for community volunteers and opportunities at Council.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
21.1.	Volunteer Recognition and Awards: Recognise and honour volunteers in sport and recreation by enhancing the celebrations during National Volunteer Week (20-26 May). Additionally, maintain the tradition of hosting the Citizen of the Year awards ceremony to acknowledge outstanding contributions by sport and recreation volunteers, such as administrators, coaches and officials	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups Community	Low
21.2.	Volunteer Webpage: Update the Volunteering on Wollondilly webpage regularly to provide current information that connects individuals with training opportunities and volunteer position available in compatible organisations.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups Community	Low
21.3.	Volunteer Training Courses: Support members of the Wollondilly region volunteering community to upskill and attend relevant training courses which enhance the operations of sport and recreation clubs and build upon community based leadership capacity.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups Community	Low

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Partnerships

22. Strategy: Foster partnerships with sport and recreation clubs, associations, service providers, schools, other Local Governments, state and federal governments to develop and provide sporting opportunities in the Wollondilly region.

Rationale - The delivery of sport and recreation across the Wollondilly region is achieved through partnerships between all three levels of government (local, state and federal), schools, state sporting organisations, associations, clubs and the private sector. Without these collaborative arrangements to plan for and provide facilities, services and resourcing, sport and recreation activities would not exist in the format they do today. These partnership arrangements need to be preserved and strengthened to ensure the ongoing development of sport and recreation in the region.

Ensuring the appropriate allocation of land for sport and recreational infrastructure is crucial for meeting the community needs. It requires advocating firmly and collaboration when working alongside developers. Staying resolute in advocating for adequate land provisions that are specifically tailored for sport and recreation ensures that facilities are not only sufficient but also well-suited for their intended purposes.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
22.1.	Establish and Maintain Partnerships: Establish and maintain partnerships with national and state peak bodies, private industry, government, non-government organisations, health and education bodies to enhance club development and participation. (i.e. advocate during the early stages of planning projects to integrate sport and recreation infrastructure into the overall project design)	Ongoing	WSC Developers Office of Sport School Infrastructure SSO's SWSLHD	Low
22.2.	Regional Sport and Active Recreation Council: Regularly meet with staff responsible for sport and recreation planning from other local government areas (i.e. Camden, Wingecarribee, Wollongong) to discuss and collaborate on regional sport and recreation matters	Ongoing	WSC Neighbouring Councils SSO's	Low
22.3.	SSO Regional Strategic Plans: Encourage state sporting organisation's (SSOs) to formulate and distribute strategic plans for the advancement of their sports within the region.	Ongoing	WSC SSO's	Low
22.4.	Cross-Sport Member Attraction: Support and encourage clubs and service providers to collaborate with other sports to attract members across different sports seasons, particularly those that complement each other in winter and summer.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups	Low

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Programs and Events

<p>Events 23. Strategy: Actively seek opportunities to host sport and recreation events in Wollondilly and support organisers to maximise the associated economic benefits.</p>
<p>Rationale Events play an important role in promoting sport and active recreation to residents and visitors and bringing benefit to the regional economy.</p>

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
23.1.	Events Strategy: Seek strategic opportunities to host and support sport and recreation events in Wollondilly, aiming to enhance community engagement and economic benefits.	Immediate	WSC Club/User Groups	Low
23.2.	Events Inventory: Compile and promote a comprehensive events inventory and promote on Council's website & visit Wollondilly. Collaborate with neighbouring regions if feasible to promote regional event coordination.	2025 - 2031	WSC Neighbouring Councils Club/User Groups	Low
23.3.	Partnership Development: Establish and nurture partnerships with local organisations, clubs, and regional event organisers to secure hosting rights for a variety of sport and recreation events.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups SSO's	Low
23.4.	Operational Support: Provide operational support to sport service providers such as expertise in training, marketing and event management to support service providers to deliver successful events, programs and services across the Wollondilly region.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups	Low
23.5.	Data Collection and Analysis: Collect data relating to significant sport and recreation events to allow for retrospective analysis of the economic impacts to the regional economy, and to inform projections for future events.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups	Low

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Communication

24. Strategy: Develop a range of informative and innovative communication initiatives to keep the community engaged and informed about sport and recreation opportunities in the Wollondilly region.

Rationale

Continually developing and maintaining strong communication and relationships with sport and recreation stakeholders is a key pillar of this Plan. Providing relevant and timely information through various communication platforms will be required on a regular basis.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
24.1.	Sport and Recreation Contacts: Ensure that a comprehensive database of sport and recreation clubs and organisations is kept up to date to support club development, club sustainability and ongoing relationships. Ensure that contact details are routinely updated.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups SSO's	Low
24.2.	Sport and Recreation Webpage: Further develop and continually maintain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data.wollondilly https://data.wollondilly.nsw.gov.au/pages/parks-sportsgrounds/ Council's web page Offer timely and relevant information on activities and facilities, sportsgrounds for hire, applications for seasonal and casual hire. Consider enabling the community to sign up for alerts when new information is added which is relevant to their topic/s of interest.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups	Low
24.3.	Marketing and Promotion: Continue to market and promote sport and recreation opportunities and programs to the community. For example, social media posts, YourSay, regular press releases or articles for local media highlighting local initiatives.	Ongoing	WSC	Low

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Resourcing

25. Strategy: Obtain the necessary resources to effectively coordinate the implementation of the Community Sport and Recreation Needs Strategy.

Rationale

A significant level of resources will be required to implement the actions and initiatives identified within this Strategy including staff resources, internal and external funding support. There is an opportunity to access a range of funding programs in which recreation developments and programs are eligible to be funded.

No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
25.1.	Budget Allocations: Ensure ongoing budget allocations for Council's Parks and Recreation Division to support the implementation of the Community Sport and Recreation Needs Strategy.	Ongoing	WSC	Low
25.2.	Grant Information Sessions: Provide education and information sessions for sport and recreation organisations regarding best-practice for accessing grant funding. This may be linked with training courses relating to governance (Refer to Action 20.2)	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups	Low
25.3.	Support for Funding Applications: Provide letters of support to community organisations for funding applications which align with the vision and principles of this Strategy.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups	Low
25.4.	Developer Contribution Implementation: Develop and implement a formal approach to engage with developers to secure contributions (facilities) for implementing infrastructure benchmarks (i.e. Refer Strategy 1 & 2 Appin and Wilton Growth Areas)	Ongoing	WSC Developers	Low
25.5.	Private Investment and Commercial Partnerships: Explore options for private investment and commercial partnerships for the continued provision of high-quality sport and recreation opportunities across the region.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups	Low
25.6.	Strategy Monitoring and Review: Include a minor review every 4 years and a major review every 8 years and prior to any review of the Wollondilly Contributions plan (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).	Ongoing	WSC	Low

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Accessibility and Inclusion

26. Strategy: Improve the accessibility of sport and active recreation opportunities for all members of the community.

Rational

Inclusivity in sport and recreation is an important aspect of development within a community. The benefits of active lifestyles are obtainable by all community members if opportunities are inclusive and accessible. Universal Design aims to foster inclusivity in design, ensuring that people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds are accommodated.

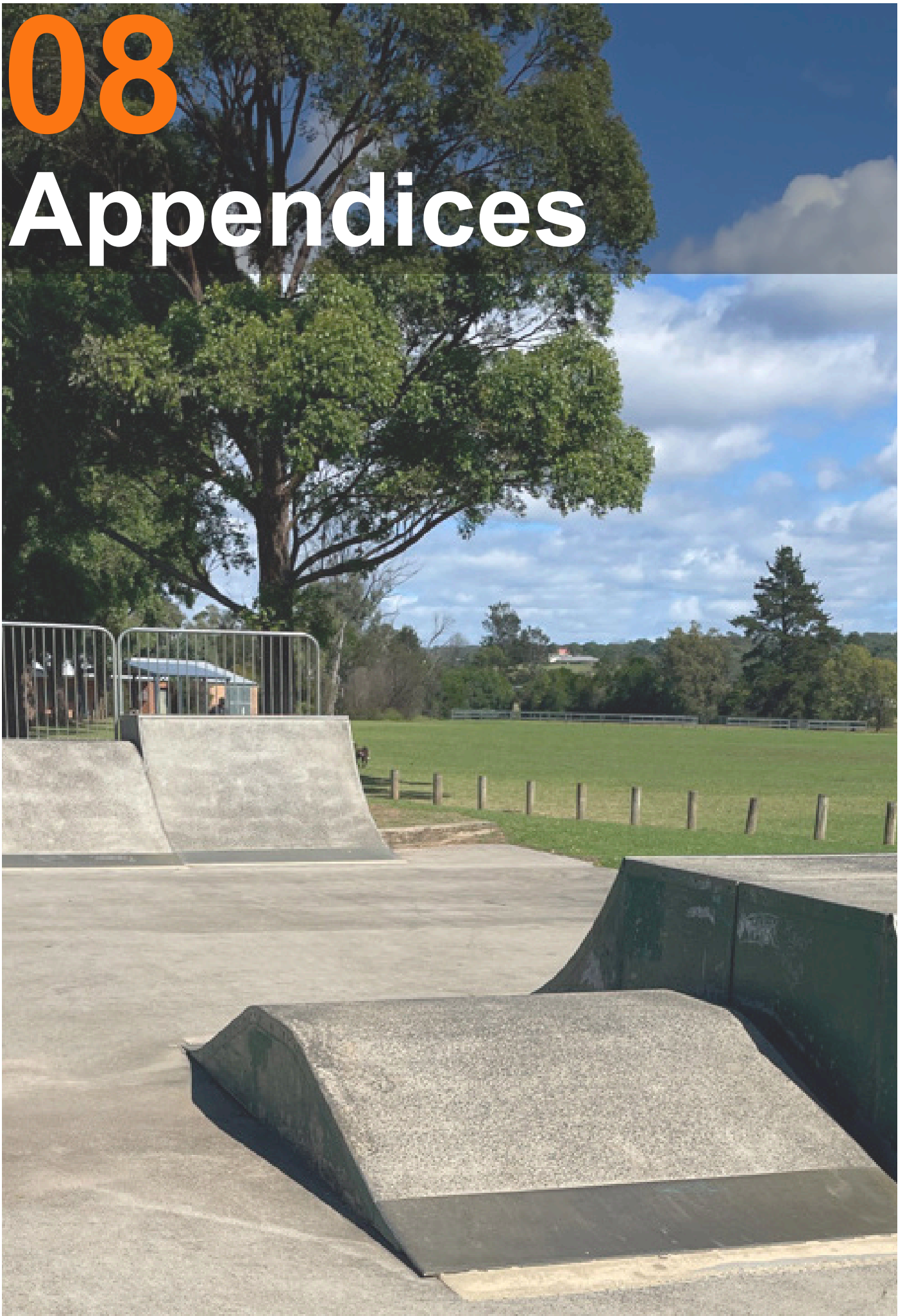
No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
26.1.	Introductory Activities: Support clubs and service providers who conduct 'Come n Try' days and similar participation events on a regular basis for both children and adults. Encourage integration with clubs and service providers to provide ongoing participation opportunities and encourage a noncompetitive environment to encourage new participants.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups	Low
26.2.	Third Party Initiatives: Support programs and initiatives which are facilitated by other organisations (e.g., the Active and Creative Kids Vouchers facilitated by Service NSW) to encourage the breaking down of barriers which prevent community members from participating in sport and recreation. Encourage clubs, service providers and schools to cross-promote such initiatives.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups	Low
26.3.	Targeted Programs: Support the delivery of sport and active recreation events, programs and services which target people who are not currently participating in sport and recreation, or leading healthy and active lifestyles.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups	Low
26.4.	Modified Activities: Support service providers with the provision of modified versions of sport and active recreation activities to encourage maximum community participation.	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups	Low
26.5.	All Abilities: Ensure that all new sport and recreation facilities are accessible to all people, and that a program of works is established to adapt existing facilities to be inclusive. For example, ensuring that facilities comply with the Office of Sport Universal Design, Inclusive Design, Accessible design and Female Friendly guideline, which include key principles such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equitable use. • Flexibility, Simple and intuitive use. • Perceptible information. 	Ongoing	WSC Club/User Groups	Low

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No.	Actions	Timeframe	Partners	Cost
26.6.	<p>Transport: Explore the feasibility of a Regional Sport and Recreation Transport Network, potentially volunteer-operated, to support people living in outlying areas to access sport and recreation facilities, programs and events.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>E.g. This initiative could be operated as a volunteer-driven program aimed at assisting vulnerable residents in reaching various programs, such as the Wollondilly Wanderer.</i> 	Ongoing	WSC Transport for NSW	Low
26.7.	<p>Flexible Use: Ensure that sport and active recreation facilities and spaces are accessible to the community for casual/informal participation, as well as organised sport.</p>	Ongoing	WSC	Low
26.8.	<p>Active Transport Network: Develop an Active Transport network plan to connect sportsgrounds and town centres, facilities, and other transport nodes (Refer Appendix D – Resolution 91/2025).</p>	2032 - 2036	WSC	Low

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Appendices



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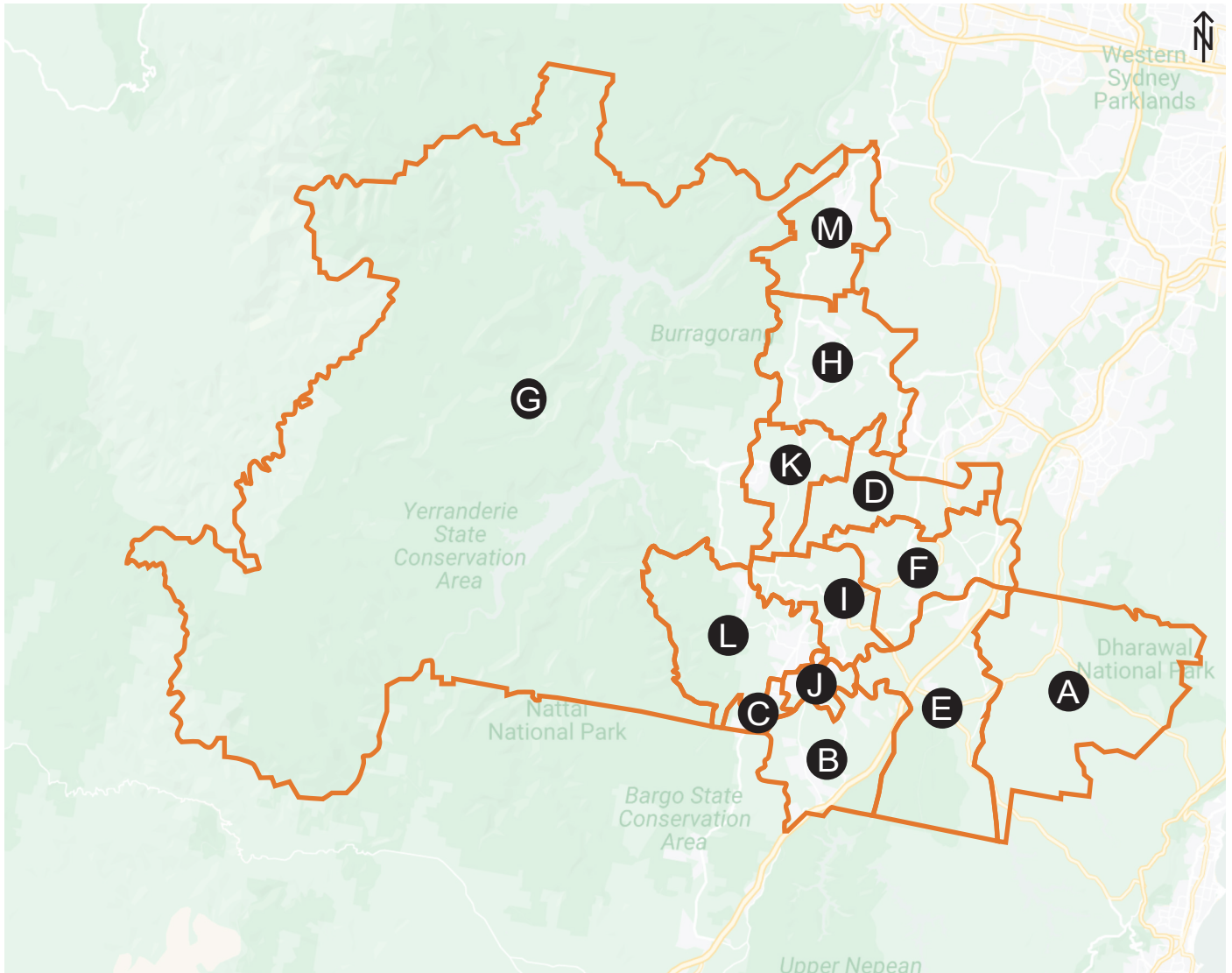
APPENDIX A FACILITY INVENTORY



Precincts

Precinct Locations

Wollondilly Shire Council Area:



Precinct Index

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|--|---|
| (A) Appin - Cataract - Darkes Forest | (H) Orangeville - Theresa Park – Werombi |
| (B) Bargo - Yanderra - Pheasants Nest | (I) Picton - Mowbray Park – Maldon |
| (C) Buxton – Couridjah | (J) Tahmoor |
| (D) Camden Park - Mount Hunter – Cawdor | (K) The Oaks - Belimbla Park – Glenmore |
| (E) Wilton | (L) Thirlmere – Lakesland |
| (F) Menangle – Razorback - Douglas Park | (M) Wallacia - Warragamba – Silverdale |
| (G) Oakdale - Nattai - National Park | |

Disclaimer: In accordance with Resolution 91/2025, the profile.id precinct boundaries have been altered, with Douglas Park now included in Precinct F alongside Menangle –Razorback.

Condition

Assessment Rating System

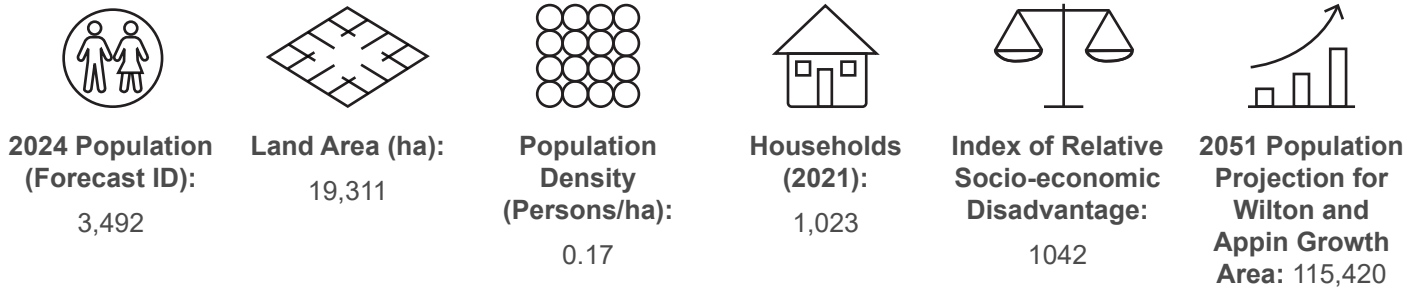
The condition assessment ratings have used the system outlined in the Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia’s (IPWEA) Condition Assessment and Asset Performance Guidelines, as outlined below.

Note: Condition was assessed on only a high level based on existing information and visual assessment where possible. It is recommended that a specific building/ facility report is undertaken for each facility.

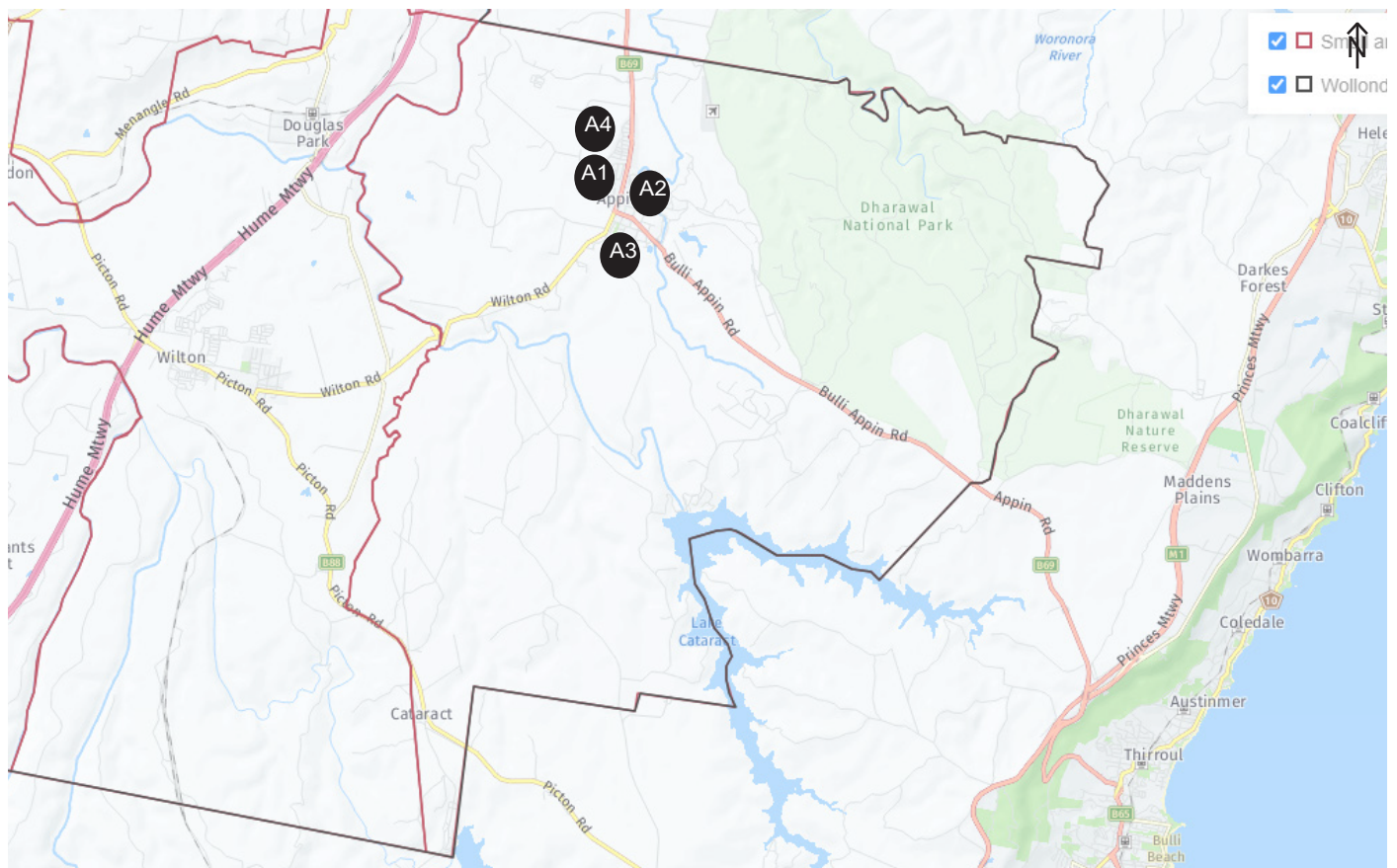
Rating	Description of Condition
1	Very Good Condition: Only normal maintenance required
2	Minor Defects Only: minor maintenance required (5%)
3	Maintenance Required: significant maintenance required (10 - 20%)
4	Requires Renewal: significant upgrade/renewal required (20 - 40%)
5	Asset unserviceable: over 50% of asset requires replacement

A: Appin - Cataract - Darkes Forest

Precinct Overview:



Existing Sport and Recreation Facilities:



Reference

- A1 Appin AIS Sportsground
- A2 Appin Park
- A3 William Woods Reserve Playground
- A4 Heritage Drive Playground

Public open space & recreation facilities needs:

- 2x Shire-wide parks, 13x District parks, 25x local parks
- 1x District - indoor recreation centre (sports + aquatic centre)
- 8x District double sportsfields
- 42x Local multipurpose outdoor courts
- 6x Local outdoor fitness stations
- 6x local youth precincts
- 5x District playgrounds, 34x Local playground
- 3X District fenced dog areas, 9x Local dog off-leash areas.

Source: Wilton Community Needs Study, 2023

A1 Appin AIS Sportsground

Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Requires Renewal: significant upgrade/renewal required (20 - 40%)
Key Activities	Football (Soccer), Cricket, Netball, Tennis, Play
Key Facilities	<p>Gordon Lewis Oval (x1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cricket Pitch (x1) - Rectangular Pitch (line-marked for football x1 Senior x4 Junior) - Sports lighting - Clubhouse <p>Netball Courts Outdoor (x2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sports lighting (wireless/app control) - Clubhouse <p>Playspace</p> <p>Tennis Courts (x2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sports lighting - Clubhouse
Key Support Facilities	Parking, Shelter, Seating, Toilets Mens Shed
Primary Purpose	Organised Sport
Notes:	<p>2014 OSRCFS - Expansion and redevelopment of Appin Sports Ground to accommodate more field training and courts (possible long term re-location of community centre to permit greater sports focus)</p> <p>Works Program 2024-2026/27 - Sportsfields reconstruction including drainage and irrigation \$550,000 Design/Construct</p> <p>2024 WCSRNS - Key Opportunities and Challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parking: informal, lacks defined markings • Oval/tennis access: steep, posing safety risk • Oval/pitch drainage: currently inadequate • Oval sports lighting: not wireless/app controlled • Seating: significant variation in condition • Playground: necessitates renewal/relocation • Clubhouse(s): functionality is suboptimal. <p>Future Considerations:</p> <p>To address current challenges and anticipated future requirements consider a Masterplan for the site. This could strategically explore co-locating the outdoor courts, additional multipurpose court opportunities, cricket nets, fitness stations, playground and an improved clubhouse (female friendly community sport facility).</p>



A2 Appin Park

Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Crown owned - Council managed
Venue Overall Condition	Requires Renewal: significant upgrade/renewal required (20 - 40%)
Key Activities	Rugby League, Basketball, Tennis, Skate park, Play, Fitness
Key Facilities	Rectangular Pitch (x1) -Sports lighting -Clubhouse Tennis Court (x1) Basketball Court Outdoor (x1) Fitness Equipment Skate Park Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Public Toilet , RV Dump
Primary Purpose	Organised Sport



Notes:

Appin Park Master Plan (Adopted July 2019)



Works Program 2023-2026/27

- Appin Park Master Plan - Stage 3 Amenities Extension for community space \$200,000 Design (2024/25) and \$800,000 Construct (2026/27)
- Essential Community Sport Program Funding -Sportsfield Renovations/ Improvement \$82,900 Design/Construct (2023/24) and \$82,900 Procure/Construct (2024/25)

Future Considerations:

Continue advancing with the execution of the Appin Master Plan.

A3 William Woods Reserve Playground

A4 Heritage Drive Playground



Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Maintenance Required: significant maintenance required (10 - 20%)
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Path
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Very Good Condition: Only normal maintenance required
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Nil
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Notes:

Padestrian path runs from Toggerai St to the playground.

The playground serves the needs of the local residential community.

Future Considerations:

Consider the timely replacement of aging playground equipment with modern, trend-aligned installations to ensure safety and enhance user engagement.

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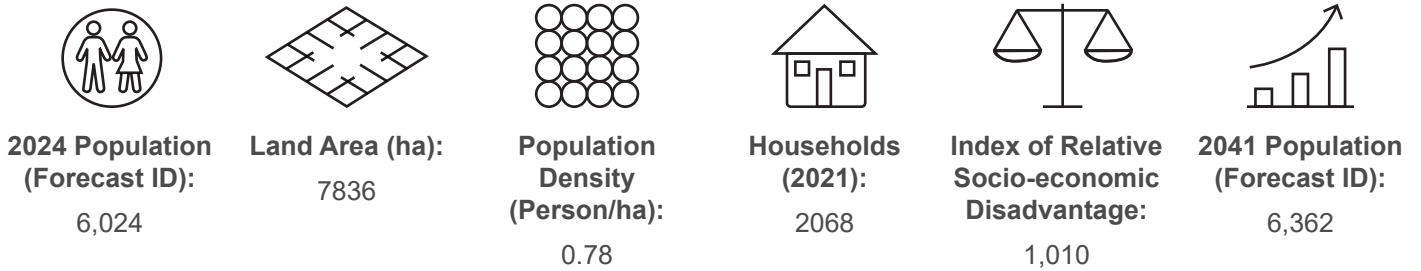
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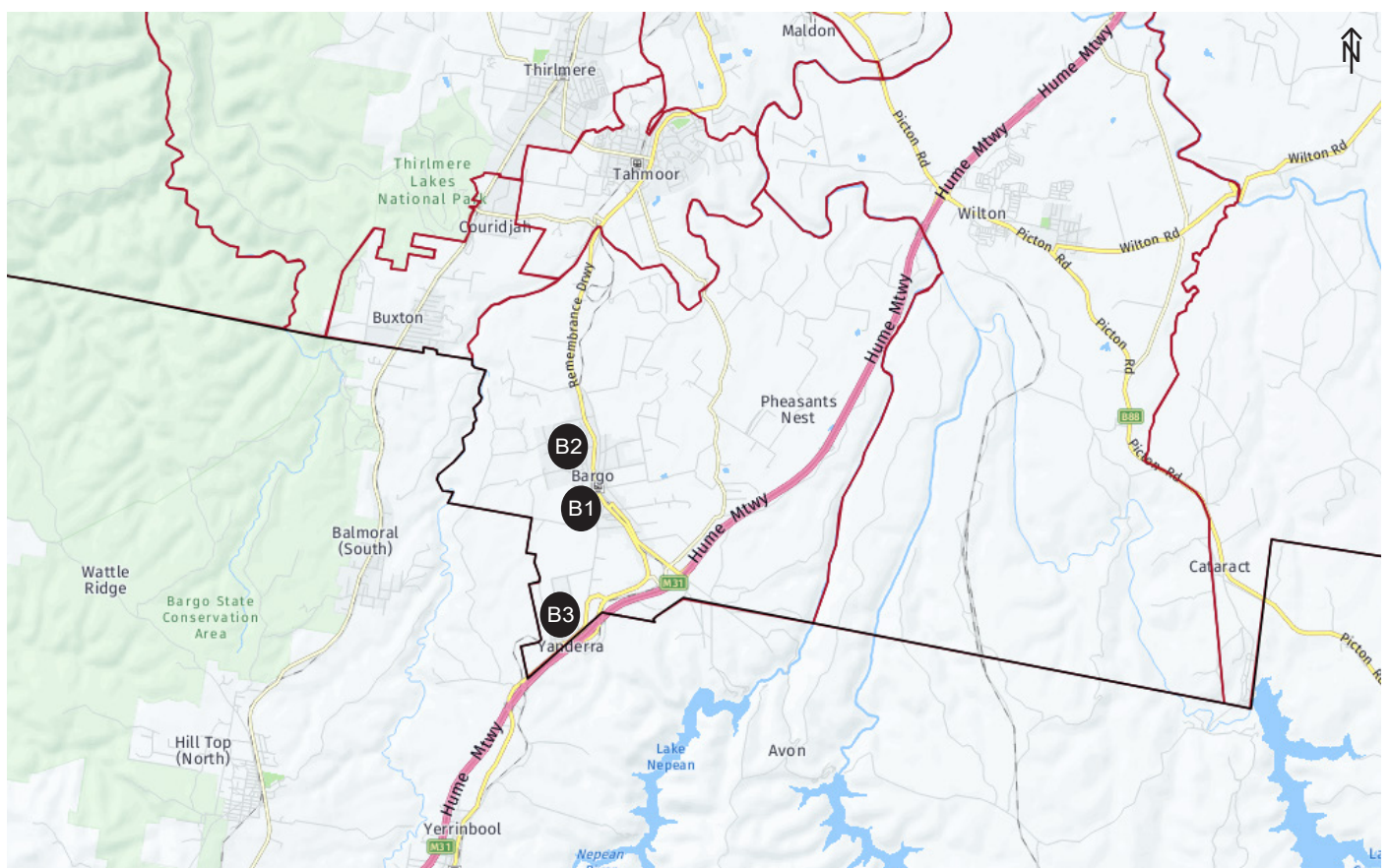
Ensure the ongoing upkeep of the playground through routine maintenance to preserve safety standards and optimise user enjoyment.

B: Bargo - Yanderra - Pheasants Nest

Precinct Overview:



Existing Sport and Recreation Facilities:



Reference

- B1 Bargo Sportsground
- B2 Bargo Community Park Playground
- B3 Birralee Park

Key Demographics:

- In 2021, Bargo - Yanderra - Pheasants Nest had
- lower proportion of children (under 18) and a higher proportion of persons aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire.
 - 36.1% of households were made up of couples with children, compared with 41.3% in Wollondilly Shire.
 - 11.0% of the population reported doing some form of voluntary work in 2021.
 - The three largest ancestries were Australian, English and Irish.

B1 Bargo Sportsground

Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Crown owned - Council managed
Venue Overall Condition	Requires Renewal: significant upgrade/renewal required (20 - 40%)
Key Activities	Rugby, Cricket, Tennis, Skate, BMX, Play, Fitness
Key Facilities	<p>Oval (x1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cricket pitch - Cricket net (x1) - Rectangular Pitch (line-marked for Rugby League x1 Senior x1 Mod) -Sports lighting -Clubhouse, kiosk, storage, grandstand -Trotting track (disused) <p>Skate Park</p> <p>BMX Jumps</p> <p>Playspace</p> <p>Fitness Equipment</p> <p>Tennis Courts (x2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sports lighting - Clubhouse
Key Support Facilities	Public Toilets
Primary Purpose	Organised Sport
Notes:	<p>2014 OSRCFS - Action: Undertake improvements to the Bargo Community Hall.</p> <p>2024 WCSRNS - Key Opportunities and Challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oval: the trotting track restricts sports • Oval/pitch drainage: currently inadequate • Oval configuration: cricket pitch within Rugby field of play • Clubhouse(s): does not adequately meet user needs • Tennis courts: accessibility issues • Youth zone: skate park & bmx jumps feature older designs. <p>Future Considerations:</p> <p>To address current challenges and anticipated future requirements consider a Masterplan for the site. Refurbishment may include the trotting track removal, realignment of rugby fields to NW-SE, field fencing, consolidation of outbuildings, relocation of tennis courts & conversion of the courts to accommodate various activities and contemporary youth zone features. Additionally, there is an opportunity to renovate the Bargo Community Hall, envisioning it as a central hub to cater to the diverse needs of all clubs and the wider community.</p>



B2 Bargo Community Park Playground

B3 Birralee Park



Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Maintenance Required: significant maintenance required (10 - 20%)
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Seats
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation
<p>Notes:</p> <p>The playground serves the needs of the local residential community.</p> <p>Future Considerations:</p> <p>Consider the timely replacement of aging playground equipment with modern, trend-aligned installations to ensure safety and enhance user engagement.</p>	

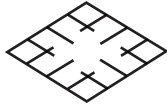
Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Very Good Condition: Only normal maintenance required
Key Activities	Play, Fitness, Basketball/Netball
Key Facilities	Playspace Fitness Equipment 1/2 Court Basketball 1/2 Court Netball
Key Support Facilities	BBQ, Shelter, Seats
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation
<p>Notes:</p> <p>The court features a full outdoor court, including both a half-court netball and basketball area with a children's path around the court perimeter.</p> <p>Birralee Park is located next to the Yanderra Public School.</p> <p>Future Considerations:</p> <p>Ensure the ongoing upkeep of the courts and associated play/fitness equipment through routine maintenance.</p>	

C: Buxton – Couridjah

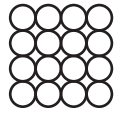
Precinct Overview:



**2024 Population
(Forecast ID):**
2,213



Land Area (ha):
1,146



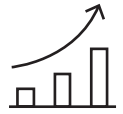
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Density
(Person/ha):**
2.09



**Households
(2021):**
764

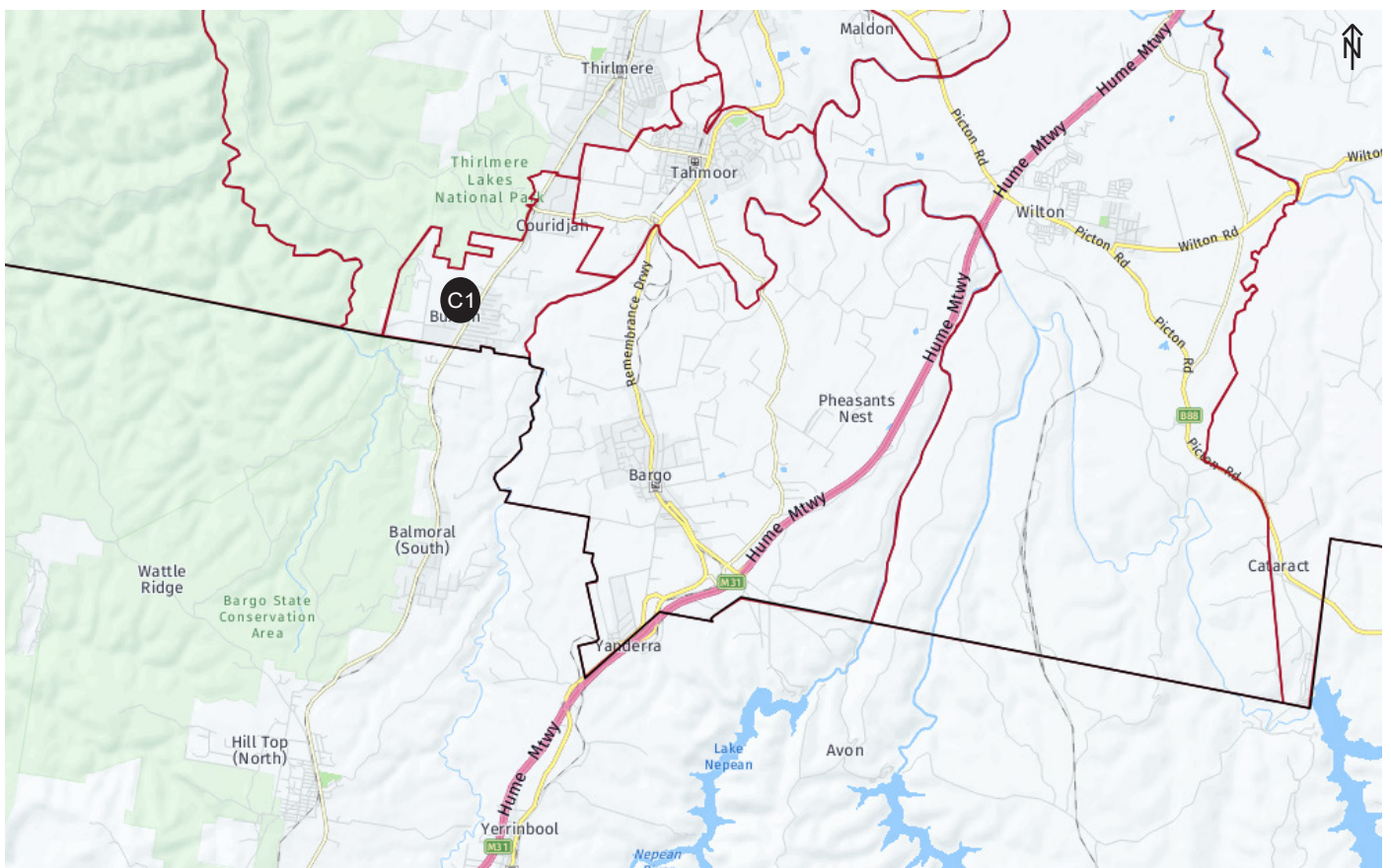


**Index of Relative
Socio-economic
Disadvantage:**
1,010



**2041 Population
(Forecast ID):**
2,236

Existing Sport and Recreation Facilities:



Reference

C1 Telopea Park

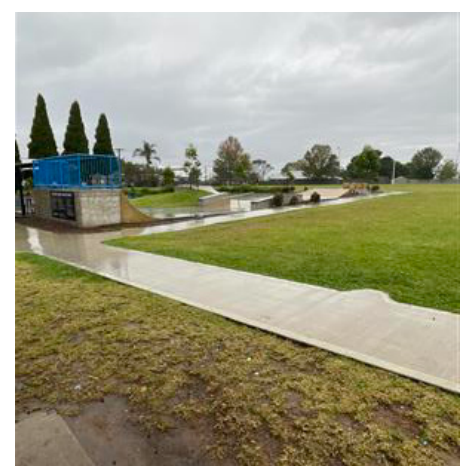
Key Demographics:

In 2021, Buxton - Couridjah had

- similar proportion of children (under 18) and a lower proportion of persons aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire.
- 39.9% of households were made up of couples with children in 2021, compared with 41.3% in Wollondilly Shire.
- 9.1% of the population reported doing some form of voluntary work in 2021.
- The three largest ancestries were Australian, English and Irish.

C1 Telopea Park

Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Minor Defects Only: minor maintenance required (5%)
Key Activities	Basketball, Cricket, Skate park, Play, Fitness
Key Facilities	1/2 Court Basketball Cricket Net Green Space (recreational area) Fitness Equipment Youth Zone (Skate park) Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Public Toilet, Shade
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation



Notes:

2024 WCSRNS - Key Opportunities and Challenges

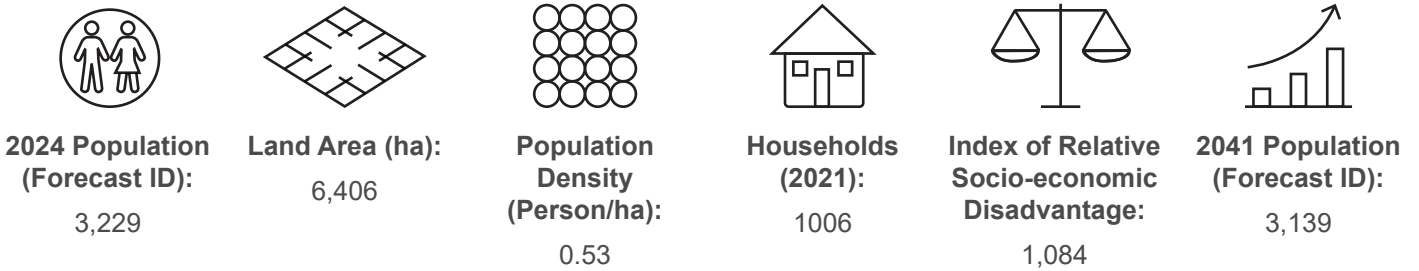
- The cricket net is showing signs of wear and tear, particularly near the batting area where they are noticeably torn.

Future Considerations:

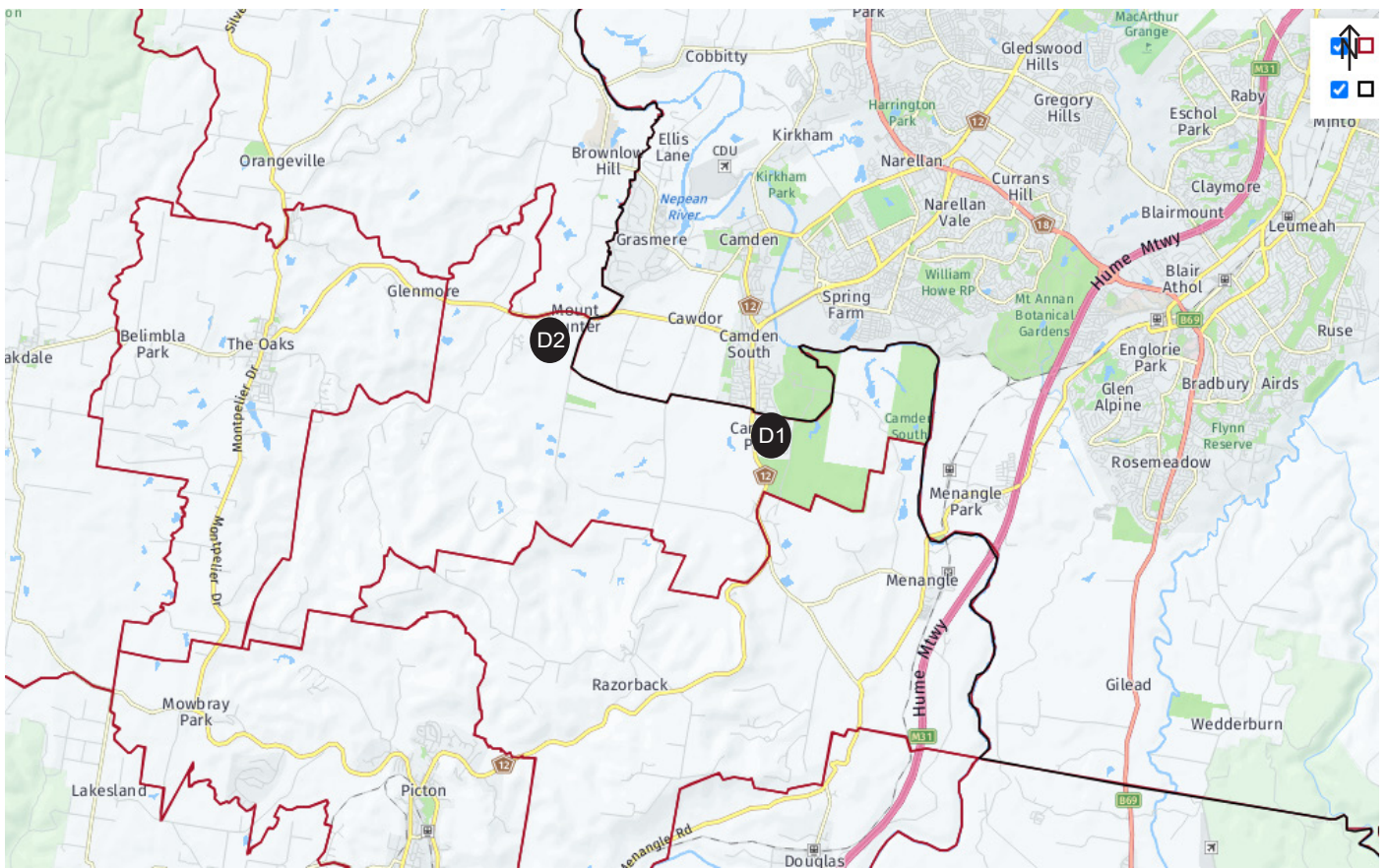
Ensure the continual maintenance of the park's green space, cricket nets, half-court basketball court, youth zone, playground, and fitness equipment to support both active and passive recreational activities.

D: Camden Park - Mount Hunter – Cawdor

Precinct Overview:



Existing Sport and Recreation Facilities:



Reference

- D1 Cubbitch Barta Reserve
- D2 Peppercorn Park Playground

Key Demographics:

- In 2021, Camden Park - Mount Hunter - Cawdor had
- higher proportion of children (under 18) and a lower proportion of persons aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire.
 - 52.4% of households were made up of couples with children in 2021, compared with 41.3% in Wollondilly Shire.
 - 15% of the population reported doing some form of voluntary work in 2021
 - The three largest ancestries were Australian, English and Irish.

D1 Cubbitch Barta Reserve

D2 Peppercorn Park Playground



Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Very Good Condition: Only normal maintenance required
Key Activities	Play, Fitness and Court Sports
Key Facilities	Playspace Fitness Multi-purpose court Tennis court
Key Support Facilities	BBQ, Seats/Shelters
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation
<p>Notes:</p> <p>The playground serves the needs of the local residential community.</p> <p>Future Considerations:</p> <p>Ensure the ongoing upkeep of the playground through routine maintenance to preserve safety standards and optimise user enjoyment.</p>	

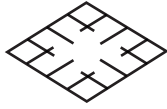
Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Very Good Condition: Only normal maintenance required
Key Activities	Play, Fitness
Key Facilities	Playspace Fitness Equipment
Key Support Facilities	BBQ, Seats/Shelters
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation
<p>Notes:</p> <p>The playground and fitness equipment serves the needs of the local residential community.</p> <p>Future Considerations:</p> <p>Ensure the ongoing upkeep of the playground and fitness equipment through routine maintenance to preserve safety standards and optimise user enjoyment.</p>	

E: Wilton

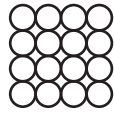
Precinct Overview:



2024 Population (Forecast ID):
7,668



Land Area (ha):
13,599



Population Density (Person/ha):
0.42



Households (2021):
1,578

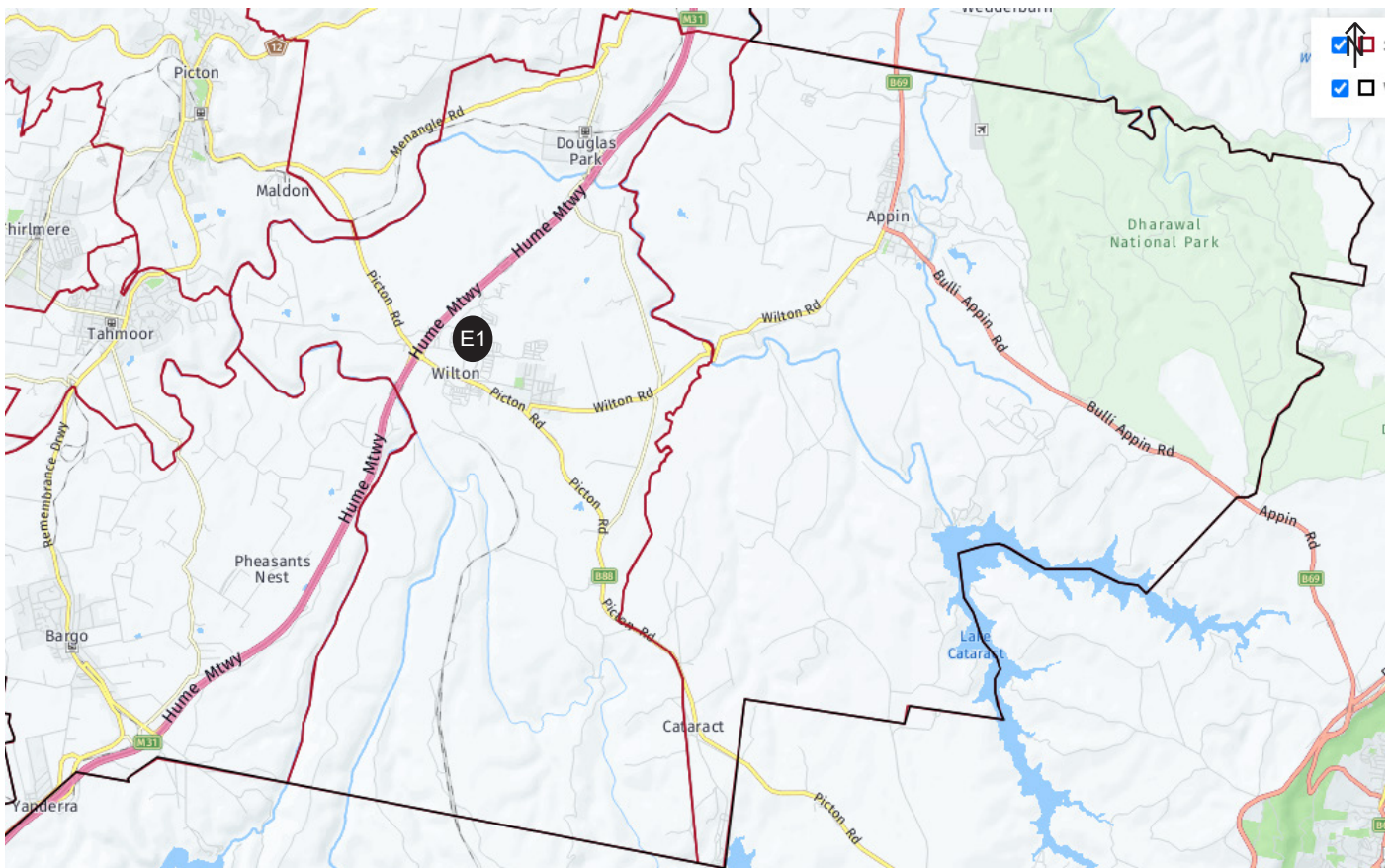


Index of Relative Socio-economic Disadvantage:
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2051 Population Projection for Wilton and Appin Growth Area: 115,420

Existing Sport and Recreation Facilities:



Reference

E1 Wilton Recreation Reserve

Public open space & recreation facilities needs:

- 2x Shire-wide parks, 12x District parks, 20x local parks
- 1x Shire-wide - indoor recreation centre (sports courts + aquatic centre)
- 6x District double sportsfields
- 27x Local multipurpose outdoor courts
- 4x Local outdoor fitness stations
- 1x Shire-wide youth precinct, 5x local youth precincts
- 1x Shire-wide playground, 4x District playgrounds, 22x Local playground
- 2x District fenced dog areas, 5x Local dog off-leash areas.

Source: Wilton Community Needs Study, 2023

E1 Wilton Recreation Reserve

Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Crown owned - Council managed
Venue Overall Condition	Requires Renewal: significant upgrade/renewal required (20 - 40%)
Key Activities	Football (Soccer), Australian Rules Football, Basketball, Netball, Tennis, Futsal, Play, Fitness
Key Facilities	Hannaford Oval (x1) -Sports lighting -Clubhouse Rectangular Field (x1) Football -Sports lighting -Clubhouse Tennis Court (x1), Multi-use Court (x1), Netball Court (x1), Netball/Basketball Court (x1) -Sports lighting Playspace Fitness Equipment
Key Support Facilities	Community Hall
Primary Purpose	Organised Sport

Notes:

2016 - Wilton Recreation Reserve Landscape Master Plan Report

2024 WCSRNS - Key Opportunities and Challenges

- Proximity: Close to Bingara Gorge (Private Estate with Golf Course, Swimming Pool, Tennis, Basketball, Skate Park etc)
- Hannaford Oval: dated facilities, not female friendly

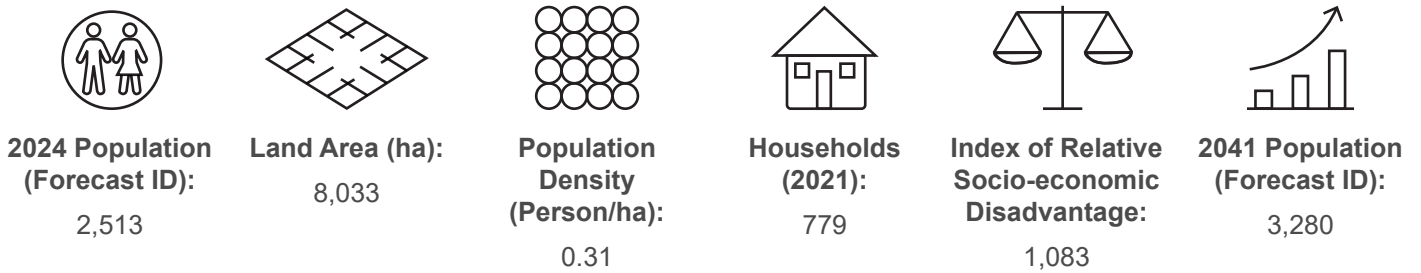
Future Considerations:

Complete the final stages of the Wilton Recreation Reserve Landscape Masterplan which includes female-friendly upgrades to the existing Hannaford Oval amenities.

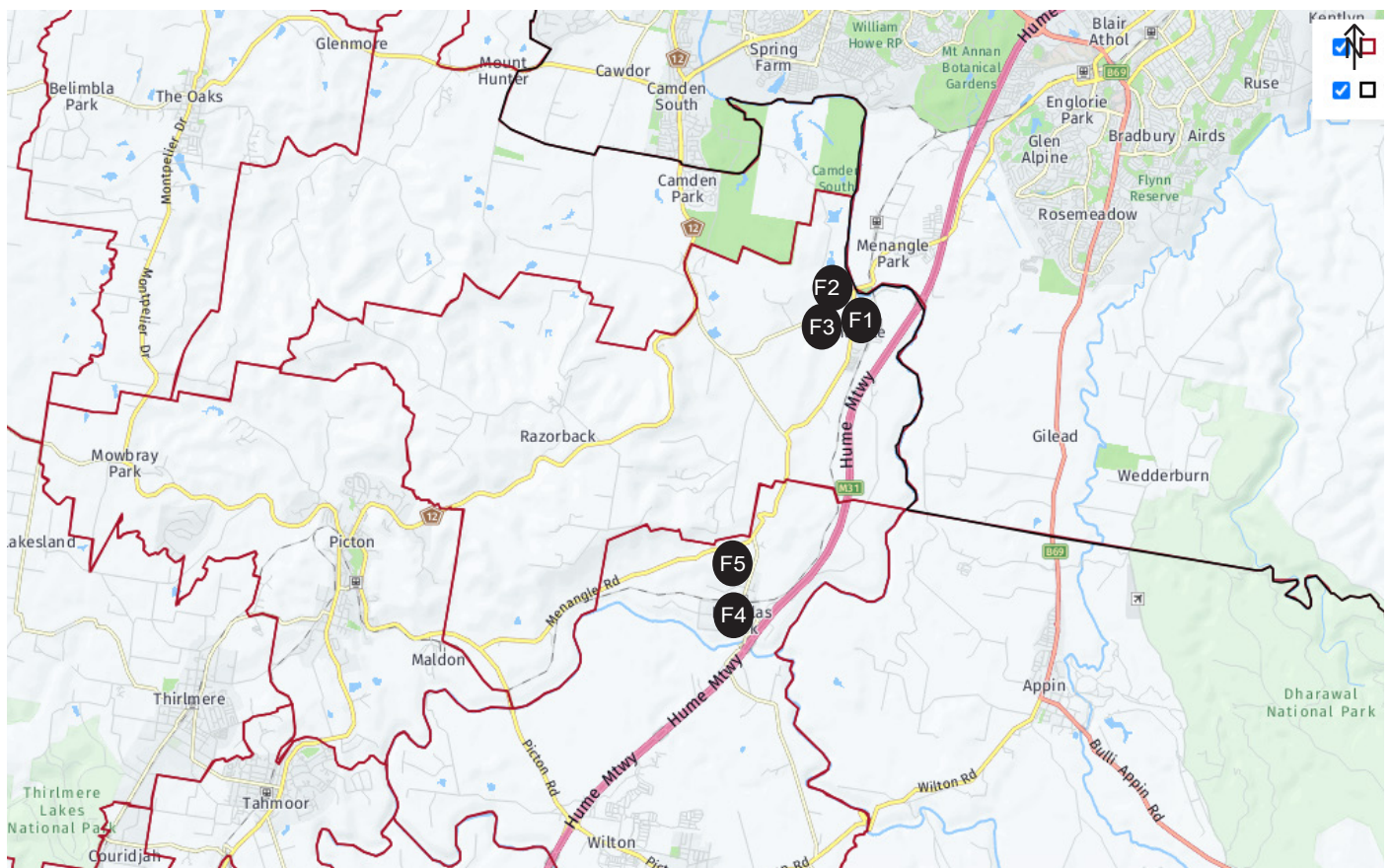


F: Menangle – Razorback - Douglas Park

Precinct Overview:



Existing Sport and Recreation Facilities:



Reference

- F1 Dean McGrath Park Playground
- F2 Rotolactor Park Playground
- F3 Menangle Old School Site
- F4 Douglas Park Sportsground
- F5 Camden Road Reserve Playground

Key Demographics:

In 2021, Menangle - Razorback had

- lower proportion of children (under 18) and a higher proportion of persons aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire.
- 38.4% of households were made up of couples with children in 2021, compared with 41.3% in Wollondilly Shire.
- 14% of the population reported doing some form of voluntary work in 2021
- The three largest ancestries were Australian, English and Irish.

F1 Dean McGrath Park Playground



Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Maintenance Required: significant maintenance required (10 - 20%)
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Seats/Shelter
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Notes:

Works Program 2023-2026/27

- Playground Equipment Upgrade \$30,000 Design/Construct (2023/24)

Future Considerations:

Consider the timely replacement of aging playground equipment with modern, trend-aligned installations to ensure safety and enhance user engagement.

F2 Rotolactor Park Playground



Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Very Good Condition: Only normal maintenance required
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Seats/Shelter
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Notes:

Future Considerations:

Ensure the ongoing upkeep of the playground through routine maintenance to preserve safety standards and optimise user enjoyment.

F3 Menangle Old School Site



Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Under construction
Key Activities	Play, Fitness
Key Facilities	Playspace Fitness Equipment
Key Support Facilities	Amphitheatres
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Notes:

2019 - Menangle Old School Site Landscape Concept

Future Considerations:

Execution of the Menangle Old School Site Landscape Concept

F4 Douglas Park Sportsground

Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Crown owned - Council entrusted and s355 Committee managed
Venue Overall Condition	Requires Renewal: significant upgrade/renewal required (20 - 40%)
Key Activities	Football (Soccer), Athletics, Dog Agility, Play, Fitness
Key Facilities	Oval (x1) -Rectangular Pitch (line-marked for Football x1 Senior x3 junior) -Athletics (synthetic jump pit, throwing cages, throwing circles, grass athletics track) -Sports lighting -Clubhouse Tennis Courts (x2) -Clubhouse Mulit-use Court Outdoor (x1) Playspace Fitness Equipment
Key Support Facilities	Toilets, Community Hall, Seats/Shelter
Primary Purpose	Organised Sport

Notes:

2014 OSRCFS - Reconfiguration of existing sports facilities to permit basketball, skate, reorganised tennis, little athletics and winter field sports.

2021 -Douglas Park Sportsground Landscape Master Plan Report Works Program 2023-2026/27

- Updated Douglas Park Sportsground Lighting Upgrade and New Tennis Facilities \$500,000 Design/Construct (2023/24)
- Essential Community Sport Program Funding -Sportsfield Renovations/ Improvements \$118,000 Design/Construct (2023/24) \$118,000 Procure/Construct (2024/25)

2024 WCSRNS - Key Opportunities and Challenges

- Oval: program capacity concerns re: growth of Wilton/Appin
- Canteen/Kiosk: unable to meet demand for soccer
- Tennis courts: high maintenance levels due to trees
- Multi-use court: below standard
- Carparking: Informal

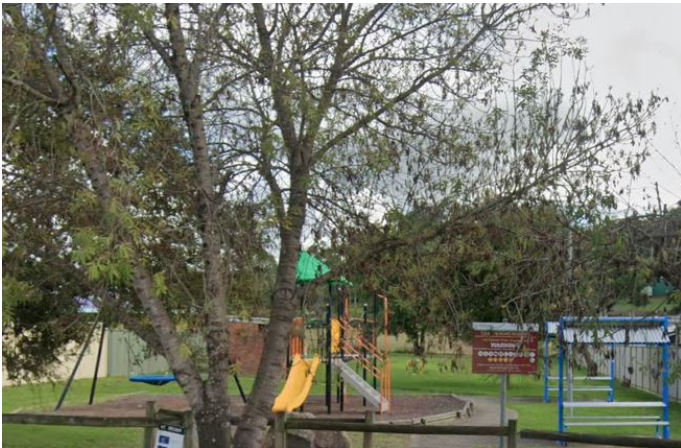
Future Considerations:

Execution of the Douglas Park Sportsground Master Plan.

In addition, to facilitate year-round usage, consider installing a shelter on the multi-use court.



F5 Camden Road Reserve Playground



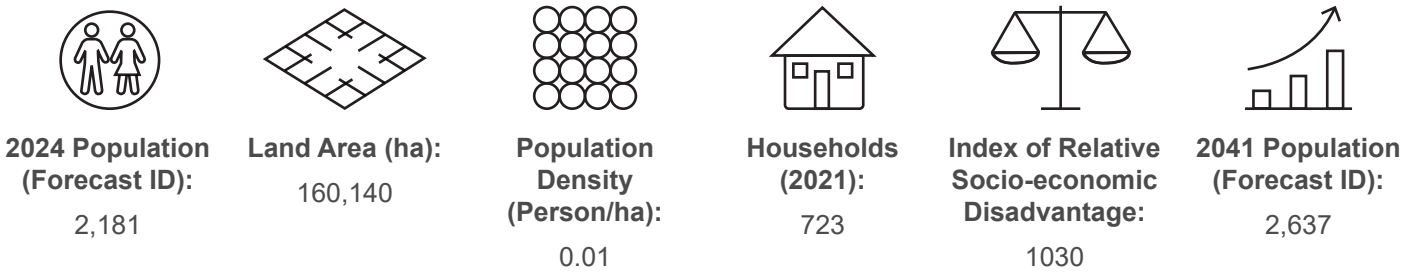
Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Very Good Condition: Only normal maintenance required
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	BBQ, Seats/Shelters
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Notes:
 The playground serves the needs of the local residential community.

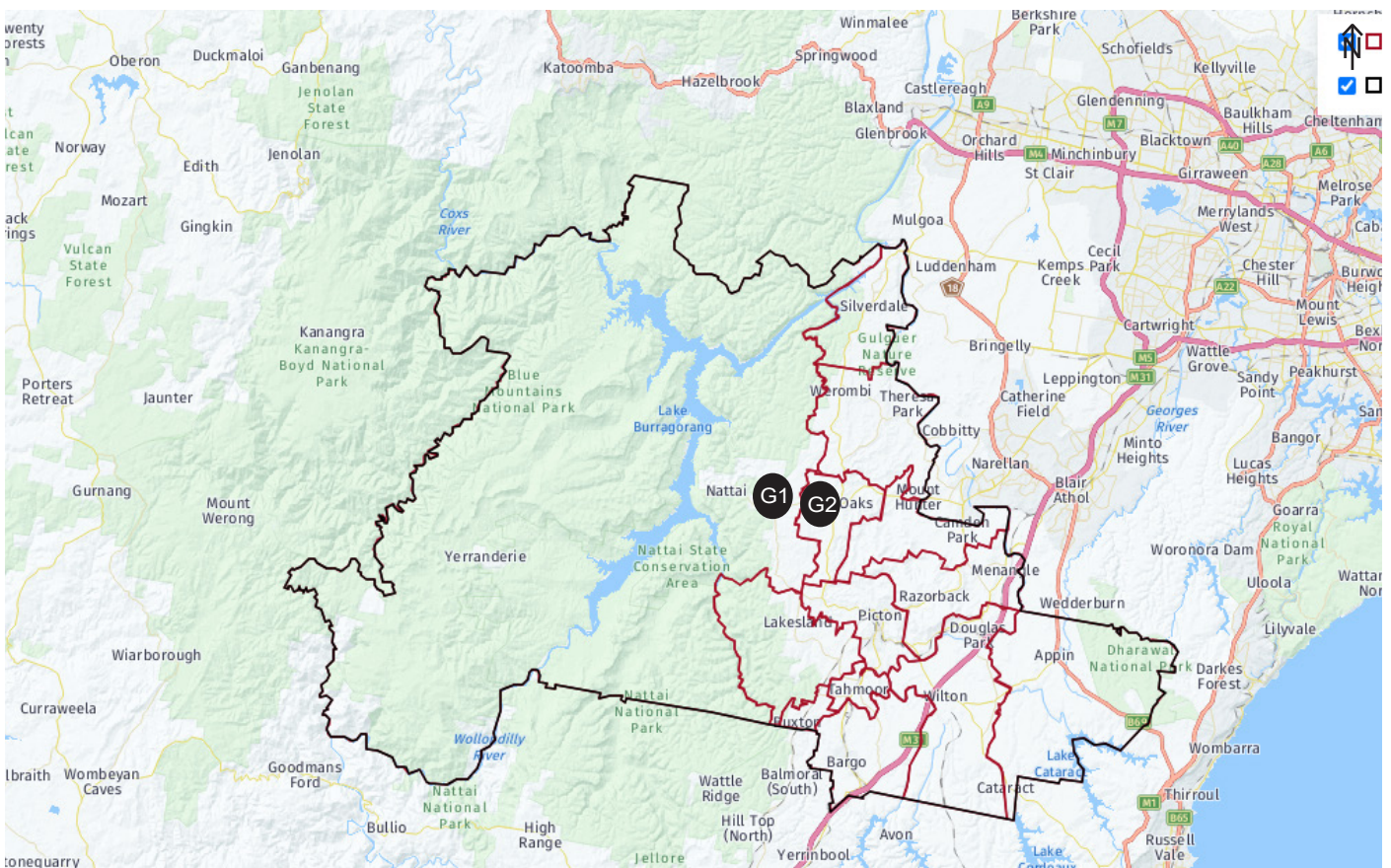
Future Considerations:
 Ensure the ongoing upkeep of the playground through routine maintenance to preserve safety standards and optimise user enjoyment.

G: Oakdale - Nattai - National Park

Precinct Overview:



Existing Sport and Recreation Facilities:



Reference

- G1 Willis Park
- G2 Oakdale Community Hall Park

Key Demographics:

- In 2021, Oakdale - Nattai - National Park had
- lower proportion of children (under 18) and a similar proportion of persons aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire.
 - 37.9% of households were made up of couples with children in 2021, compared with 41.3% in Wollondilly Shire.
 - 12% of the population reported doing some form of voluntary work in 2021
 - The three largest ancestries were Australian, English and Irish.

G1 Willis Park

Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Maintenance Required: significant maintenance required (10 - 20%)
Key Activities	Football (Soccer), Cricket, Play, Fitness
Key Facilities	Oval (line-marked for Football x1 Senior x2 junior) -Cricket pitch -Sports lighting -Clubhouse Rectangular Pitch (line-marked for Football x2 junior) Playspace Fitness Equipment
Key Support Facilities	Toilets, Parking, Shelter/Seats, Shade
Primary Purpose	Organised Sport

Notes:

Works Program 2023-2026/27

- Essential Community Sport Program Funding - Sportsfield Renovations/ Improvements \$120,000 Design/Construct (2023/24) \$121,000 Procure/Construct (2024/25)

2024 WCSRNS - Key Opportunities and Challenges

- Carparking: the parking area serves as a repository for excess materials and green waste.
- Driveway: requires attention as it serves as a vital link between passive recreation with organised sport precincts.
- Sports lighting: could be improved for night training

Future Considerations:

Enhance the parking facilities and driveway leading to Willis Park.
Renovations/Improvements to Sportsfield.

Consider upgrading the sports field lighting for improved efficiency and performance, particularly as systems reach the end of their operational life or if funds become available.



G2 Oakdale Community Hall Park



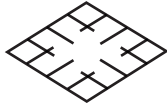
Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Maintenance Required: significant maintenance required (10 - 20%)
Key Activities	Tennis, Multi-purpose Court
Key Facilities	Tennis Courts x2 Multipurpose Court x1 Clubhouse
Key Support Facilities	Community Hall
Primary Purpose	Organised Sport
<p>Notes:</p> <p>The courts and community hall serve the needs of the local residential community.</p> <p>Future Considerations:</p> <p>Ensure the upkeep and maintenance of courts and associated built structures to foster their longevity and encourage community engagement and participation.</p>	

H: Orangeville - Theresa Park – Werombi

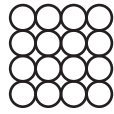
Precinct Overview:



2024 Population (Forecast ID):
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Land Area (ha):
10,180



Population Density (Person/ha):
0.33



Households (2021):
950

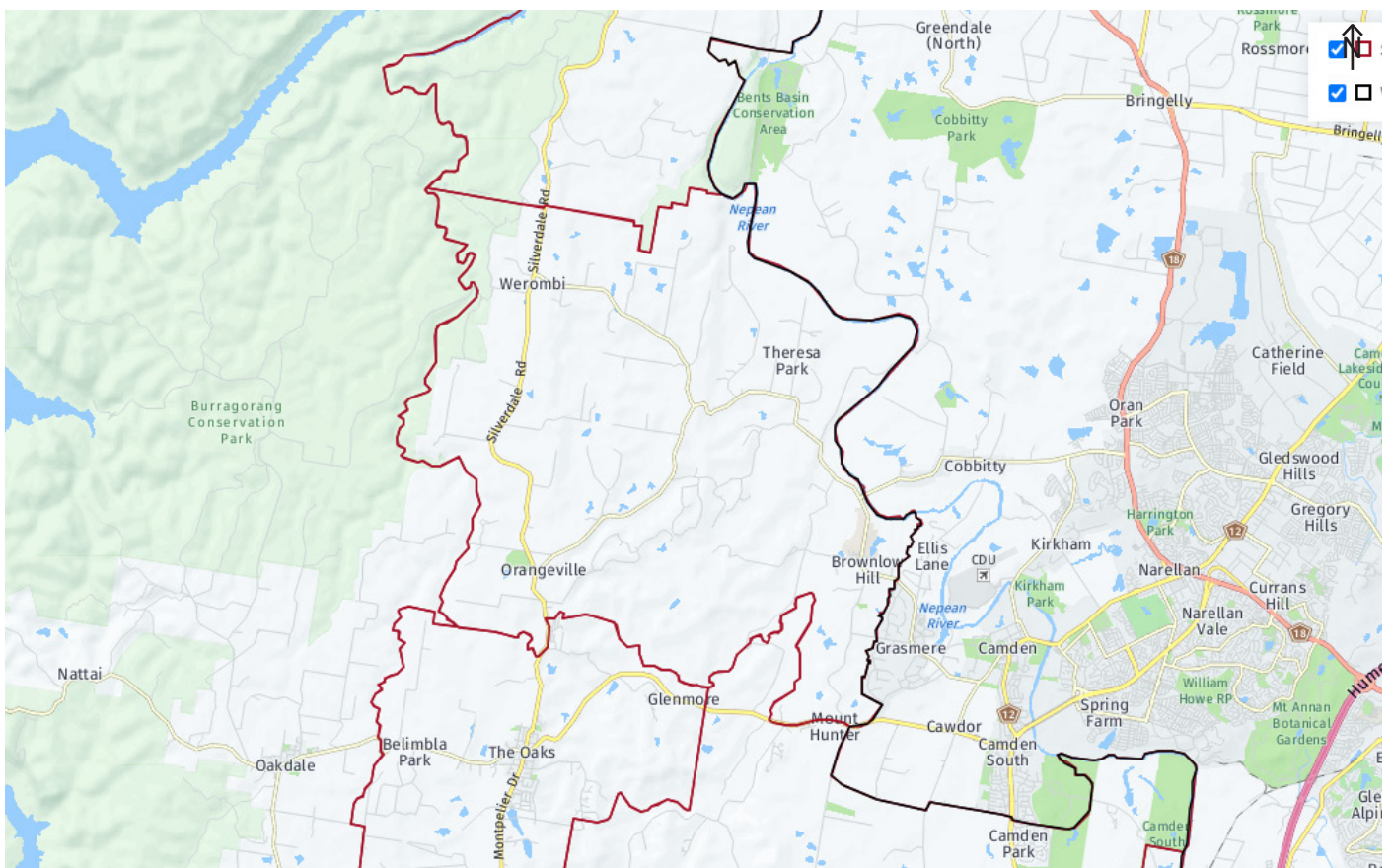


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2041 Population (Forecast ID):
4,227

Existing Sport and Recreation Facilities:



Reference

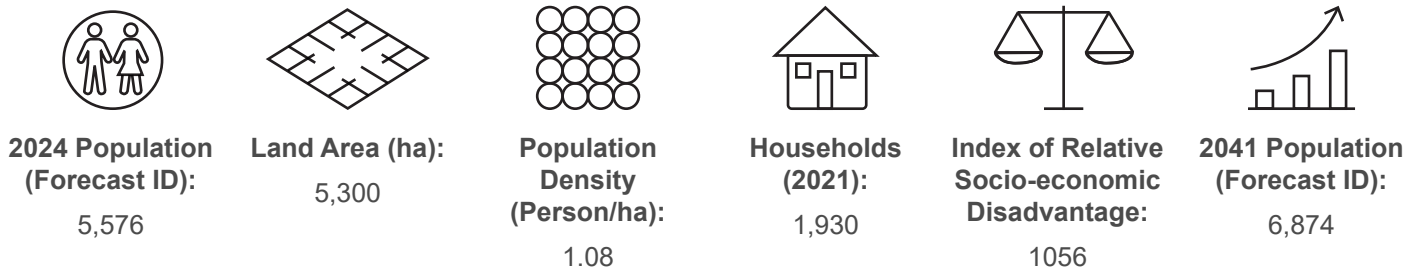
Key Demographics:

In 2021, Orangeville - Theresa Park - Werombi had

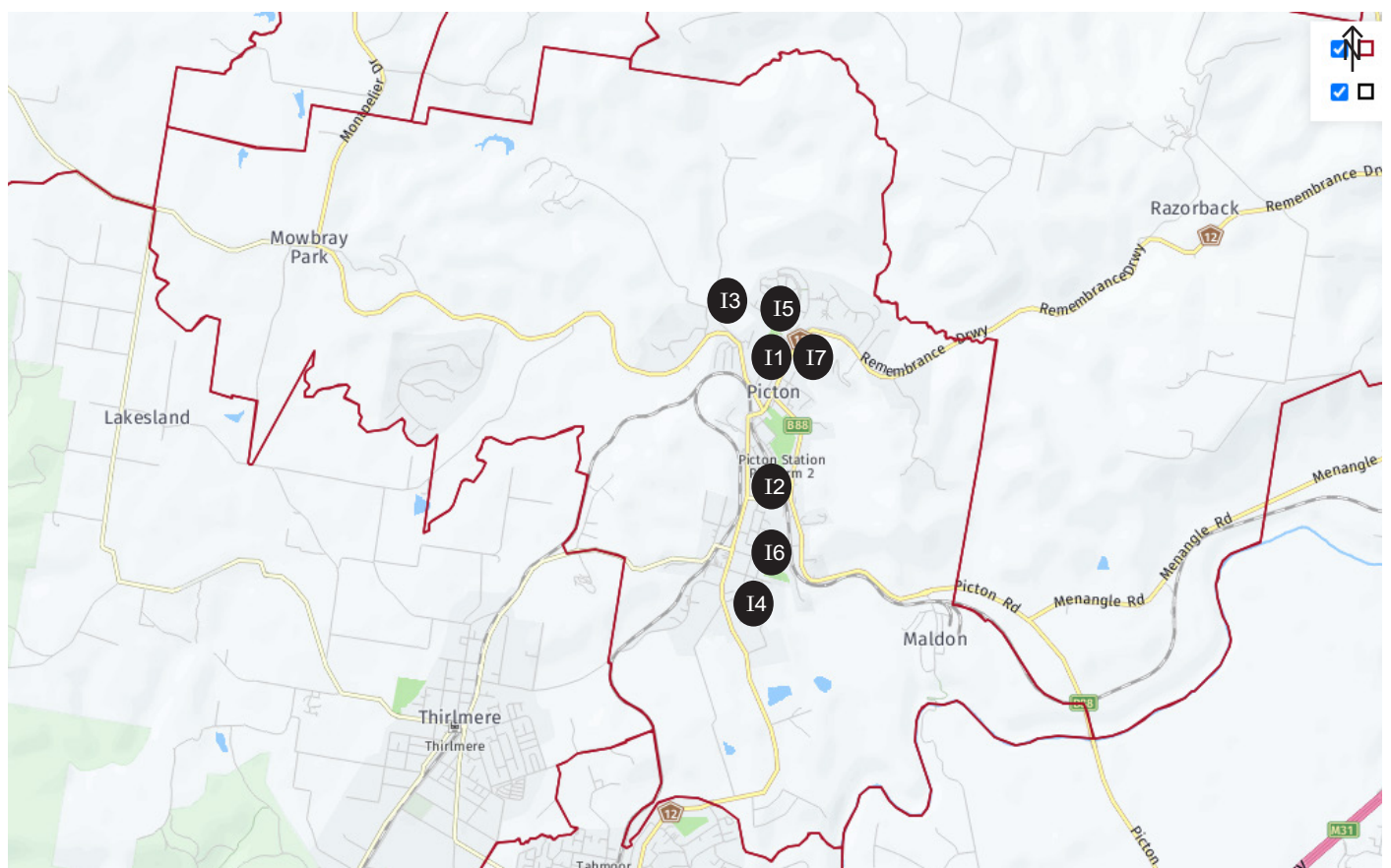
- similar proportion of children (under 18) and a higher proportion of persons aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire.
- 48.1% of households were made up of couples with children in 2021, compared with 41.3% in Wollondilly Shire.
- 13% of the population reported doing some form of voluntary work in 2021
- The three largest ancestries were Australian, English and Italian.

I: Picton - Mowbray Park – Maldon

Precinct Overview:



Existing Sport and Recreation Facilities:



Reference

- I1 Hume Oval
- I2 Victoria Park
- I3 Picton Sportsground
- I4 Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre
- I5 Botanic Gardens Playground
- I6 Wild Street Playground
- I7 Picton RSL Park Playground

Key Demographics:

- In 2021, Picton - Mowbray Park - Maldon had
- lower proportion of children (under 18) and a similar proportion of persons aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire.
 - 38.0% of households were made up of couples with children in 2021, compared with 41.3% in Wollondilly Shire.
 - 13% of the population reported doing some form of voluntary work in 2021
 - The three largest ancestries were Australian, English and Irish.

I1 Hume Oval

Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Requires Renewal: significant upgrade/renewal required (20 - 40%)
Key Activities	Football (soccer), Tennis, Basketball, Cricket, Fitness
Key Facilities	<p>Oval</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rectangular Pitch (Football x1 Senior) -Cricket Pitch -Sports lighting -Clubhouse <p>Cricket Nets (x2)</p> <p>Fitness Equipment</p> <p>Basketball Court Outdoor (x1)</p> <p>Tennis Courts (x7 Senior)</p> <p>Tennis Courts (x2 Junior)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Sports lighting -Clubhouse
Key Support Facilities	Toilets (portable), Shipping Container , Shelters/ Seats, Linear Path links to Picton Sportsground
Primary Purpose	Organised Sport

Notes:

2014 OSRCFS- Consolidation and rationalisation of the suite of sports facilities (courts and fields) that include Picton Sports Ground, Hume Oval and Victoria Park to form an integrated district level sports precinct.

23 August 2022 Adopted - Picton Parklands - Plan of Management and Master Plan

Future Considerations:

Execution of the Hume Oval Landscape Master Plan

Emphasis on the development of a female-friendly community sports facilities.

Shade structure on covered multipurpose court to enhance functionality and accessibility across various weather conditions.



I2 Victoria Park

Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Crown owned - Council managed Picton District A.H. & I. Society
Venue Overall Condition	Requires Renewal: significant upgrade/renewal required (20 - 40%)
Key Activities	Rugby League
Key Facilities	Rectangular Pitch (1x Senior) -Clubhouse -Toilets -Sports lighting -Scoreboard (electric) Rectangular Pitch (1x Junior) -Sports lighting -Storage shed (dilapidated)
Key Support Facilities	Fencing, Seats, Arena, toilets, A.H & I. Society Pavillion
Primary Purpose	Organised Sport
Notes:	<p>2014 OSRCFS- Consolidation and rationalisation of the suite of sports facilities (courts and fields) that include Picton Sports Ground, Hume Oval and Victoria Park to form an integrated district level sports precinct.</p> <p>2024 WCSRNS - Key Opportunities and Challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Location: susceptible to flooding, resulting in damage <p>Consultation with NSW Rugby League Ltd:</p> <p><i>Picton - with growth of Wilton (which currently sits within Picton's catchment for players) Minimum Community/District level facility: 2 full size playing fields, amenities, Australian Standard lighting (play/train), off street parking. Plus current ground (Victoria Park) utilised for semi-professional local First Grade competition: Lighting, parking, surface, dugouts and amenities upgrade.</i></p> <p><i>3 full size fields across Picton/Wilton area</i></p> <p>Future Considerations:</p> <p>To address current challenges and anticipated future requirements consider a Masterplan for the site. Liaise with representatives from the Picton District A.H & I. Society, Picton JRLF and other key stakeholders to identify potential opportunities for enhancement (i.e. lighting, parking, surface, dugouts and amenities upgrade - female-friendly community sports facility) and explore various funding sources to implement.</p>



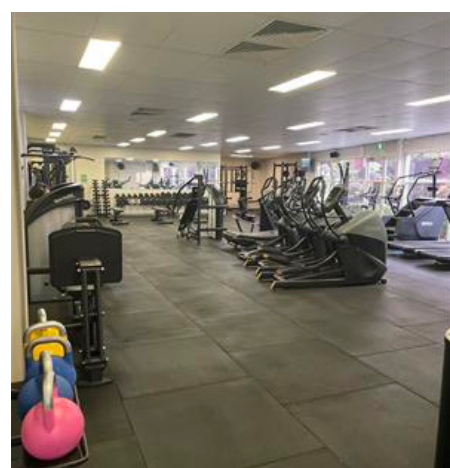
I3 Picton Sportsground

Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Under construction
Key Activities	Football (soccer), Southwest Oztag
Key Facilities	<p>Oval</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Rectangular Pitch (Football Senior x2) - Rectangular Pitch (Football Junior x 6) -Cricket Pitch -Sports lighting -Clubhouse -Amenities (under construction)
Key Support Facilities	Linear Path links to Hume Oval
Primary Purpose	Organised Sport
<p>Notes:</p> <p>2014 OSRCFS- Consolidation and rationalisation of the suite of sports facilities (courts and fields) that include Picton Sports Ground, Hume Oval and Victoria Park to form an integrated district level sports precinct.</p> <p>23 August 2022 Adopted - Picton Parklands - Plan of Management and Master Plan</p> <p>Works Program 2023-2026/27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extension of amenities (subject to adoption of grant funding) \$802,500 Procure/ Construct (2023/24) \$2,500,000 Construction (2024/25) • Multi-sport Community Facility Fund – Round 2 Implementation of Picton Parklands Master Plan \$1,200,000 Design/Construct (2024/25) \$500,000 Construct (2025/26) <p>Future Considerations:</p> <p>Execution of the Picton Sports Ground (Fairley’s) Master Plan (e.g. Extension to the amenities building)</p> <p>Review the necessity of tree plantings within the field of play area, as they diminishes the flexibility of the sportsground. For instance, it is noted that the cricket activity is U/19 cricket.</p> <p>To ensure optimal utilisation, it is important that the cricket field dimensions meet Open Age - Community Club dimensions of 50m to 60m. A winged playing field environment is shown within the Community Cricket Facility Guidelines 2023 for reference. Additionally, there is an opportunity to consider the installation of cricket nets onsite to complement the offerings should demand arise.</p>	



I4 Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre

Hierarchy	District
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned – Contracted
Venue Overall Condition	Maintenance Required: significant maintenance required (10 - 20%)
Key Activities	Aquatic, Basketball, Gymnastics, Fitness
Key Facilities	Swimming Pools -25m indoor pool -toddler/learn to swim pool -50m outdoor pool Multipurpose Court (x2) Gym Health Club Foyer/Meeting Room
Key Support Facilities	Parking
Primary Purpose	Organised Sport, Community Recreation
<p>Notes:</p> <p>2014 OSRCFS - Extend/expand existing Leisure Centre and integrate with outdoor open space.</p> <p>2024 WCSRNS - Key Opportunities and Challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restrictions: opening hours and court allocation • Courts: condition of court floor, line markings, scoreboard, roof (leaks) is less than optimal • Parking: congestion concerns at peak times <p>Future Considerations:</p> <p>The utilisation of court space could be optimised through programming adjustments. Consider enhancing the flooring & associated infrastructure of the courts for improved functionality and performance.</p> <p>Continued preventative and regular maintenance, will ensure pool facilities remain safe, accessible, and enjoyable for all members of the community.</p> <p>Noteworthy:</p> <p>Wilton Community Needs Assessment notes the growth areas social infrastructure needs will include a</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1x Shire-wide - indoor recreation centre (sports courts + aquatic centre) • 1x District - indoor recreation centre (sports courts + aquatic centre). 	



15 Botanic Gardens Playground



Hierarchy	District
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	NA
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Botanic Gardens
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation
<p>Notes:</p> <p>Works Program 2023-2026/27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provision of stage, pathways, exercise equipment and inclusive playspace \$465,000 Construct (2023/24) Accessible amenities and accessible playground \$234,000 Construct (2023/24) <p>2024 - Under construction</p>	

16 Wild Street Playground



Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Minor Defects Only: minor maintenance required (5%)
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Cemetery
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation
<p>Notes:</p> <p>The playground serves the needs of the local residential community.</p> <p>Future Considerations:</p> <p>Ensure the ongoing upkeep of the playground through routine maintenance to preserve safety standards and optimise user enjoyment.</p>	

17 Picton RSL Park Playground



Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Minor Defects Only: minor maintenance required (5%)
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Shelter, Seats, War Memorial Statue
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Notes:

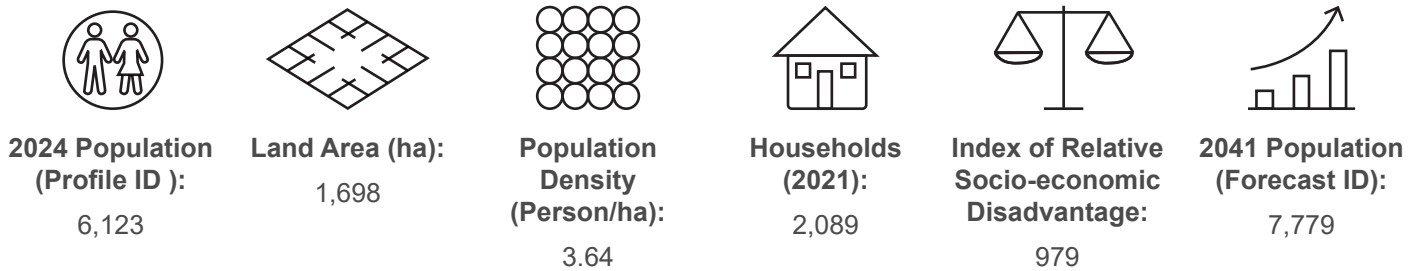
The playground is situated adjacent to the Picton Bowling Club, with users having access to the Hume Oval Sportsground at the rear.

Future Considerations:

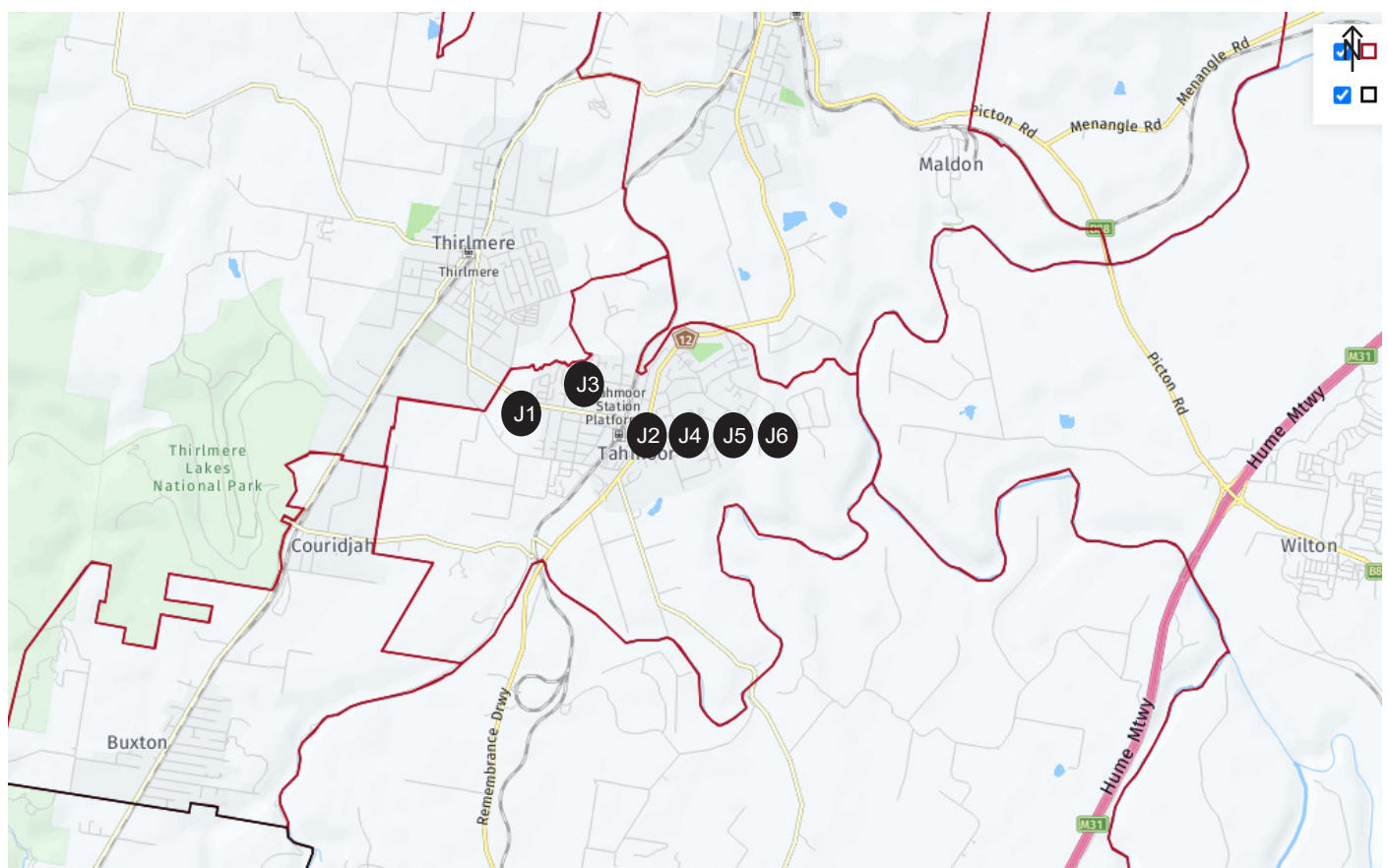
Ensure the ongoing upkeep of the playground through routine maintenance to preserve safety standards and optimise user enjoyment.

J: Tahmoor

Precinct Overview:



Existing Sport and Recreation Facilities:



Reference

- J1 Tahmoor District Sporting Complex
- J2 Emmett Park
- J3 Ibbotson St Res Playground
- J4 Tahmoor Community Centre Playground
- J5 Progress St Park Playground
- J6 The Acres Park

Key Demographics:

- In 2021, Tahmoor had
- a higher proportion of children (under 18) and a lower proportion of persons aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire.
 - 33.4% of households were made up of couples with children in 2021, compared with 41.3% in Wollondilly Shire.
 - 9.9% of the population reported doing some form of voluntary work in 2021
 - The three largest ancestries were Australian, English and Irish.

J1 Tahmoor District Sporting Complex

Hierarchy	District
Land Tenure/ Management	Crown owned - Council entrusted and s355 Committee managed
Venue Overall Condition	Under construction (i.e. Western Sporting Fields)
Key Activities	Football (Soccer), Athletics, Cricket, Netball, Skate, BMX, Play, Kennel Club
Key Facilities	<p>Oval (x1)</p> <p>Rectangular Pitch</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Senior Soccer (x3) -Sports lighting -Cricket Pitch (Turf x1) -Cricket Pitch (Synthetic x1) <p>Oval (x1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Cricket Pitch (Synthetic x1) -Cricket Nets (x3) -Athletics (track and field) -Sports lighting <p>Netball Courts (x12)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Sports lighting <p>Clubhouse</p> <p>Tahmoor Freestyle BMX Park and Pump Track</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Skate Park - BMX Area <p>Playspace</p> <p>Pony Club (Reserve R56019)</p>
Key Support Facilities	Public Toilet, Shelters, Seating
Primary Purpose	Organised Sport
<p>Notes:</p> <p>Works Program 2023-2026/27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Redevelopment of full size soccer fields\$3,952,200 Construct <p>Future Considerations:</p> <p>Execution of the Tahmoor Sporting Complex Landscape Master Plan Report</p>	

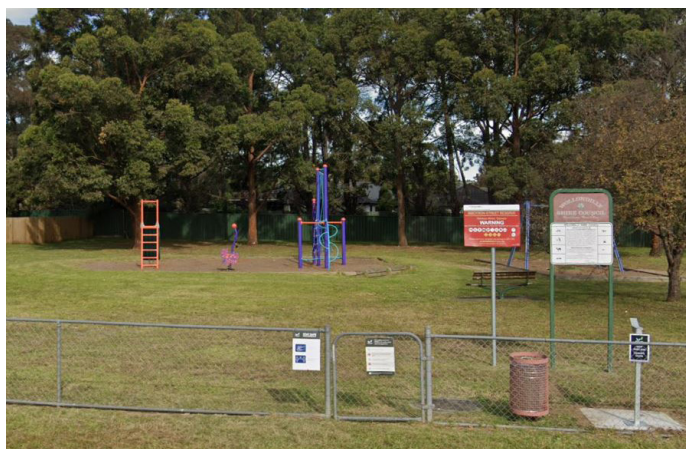


J2 Emmett Park

Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Very Good Condition: Only normal maintenance required
Key Activities	Tennis, Fitness, Play
Key Facilities	Tennis Courts (x2) -Sports lighting Playspace Fitness Equipment
Key Support Facilities	Public Toilet, Shelters/Seating, Shade
Primary Purpose	Organised Sport
<p>Notes:</p> <p>The courts, playground and fitness equipment serve the needs of the local residential community.</p> <p>Future Considerations:</p> <p>Ensure the upkeep and maintenance of courts, playground and fitness equipment to foster their longevity and encourage community engagement and participation.</p>	



J3 Ibbotson St Reserve Playground



Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Minor Defects Only: minor maintenance required (5%)
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Seats
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Notes:

The playground serves the needs of the local residential community.

Future Considerations:

Consider the timely replacement of aging playground equipment with modern, trend-aligned installations to ensure safety and enhance user engagement.

J4 Tahmoor Community Centre Playground



Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Minor Defects Only: minor maintenance required (5%)
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Shade
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Notes:

The playground serves the needs of Tahmoor Community Centre.

Future Considerations:

Ensure the ongoing upkeep of the playground through routine maintenance to preserve safety standards and optimise user enjoyment.

J5 Progress St Park Playground

J6 The Acres Park



Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Minor Defects Only: minor maintenance required (5%)
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Seat
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Very Good Condition: Only normal maintenance required
Key Activities	Play, Basketball, Netball
Key Facilities	Playspace Basketball/Netball Court (x1)
Key Support Facilities	Seats/Shelter
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Notes:
The playground serves the needs of the local residential community.

Future Considerations:
Consider the timely replacement of aging playground equipment with modern, trend-aligned installations to ensure safety and enhance user engagement.

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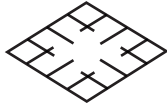
Future Considerations:
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K: The Oaks - Belimbla Park – Glenmore

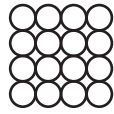
Precinct Overview:



2024 Population (Forecast ID):
3,823



Land Area (ha):
4,921



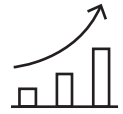
Population Density (Person/ha):
0.79



Households (2021):
17,994

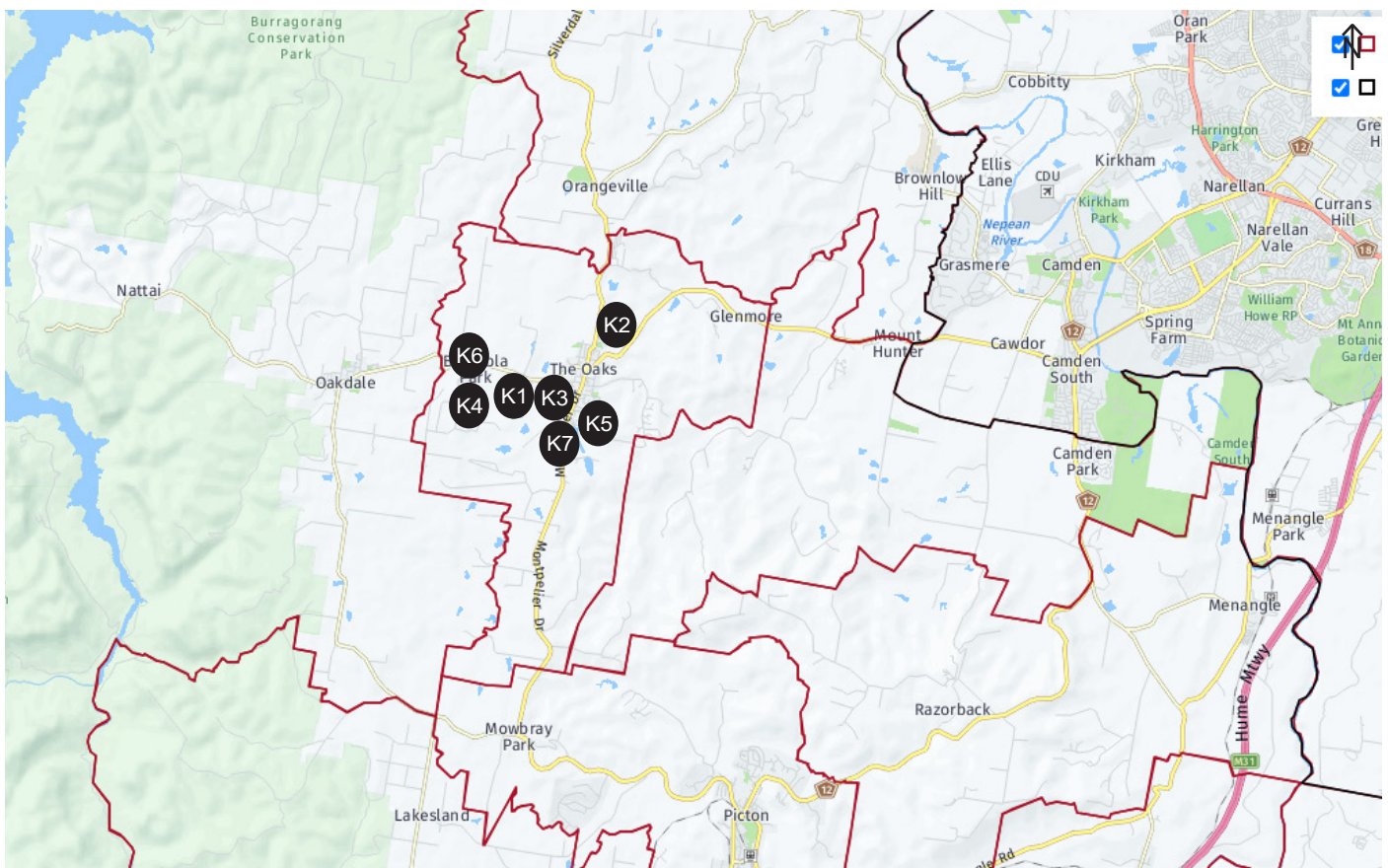


Index of Relative Socio-economic Disadvantage:
1,053



2041 Population (Forecast ID):
4,031

Existing Sport and Recreation Facilities:



Reference

- K1 Dudley Chesham Sportsground
- K2 Browns Rd Reserve Playground
- K3 W S Williams Park Playground
- K4 Gundungurra Park Playground
- K5 Harold Noakes Park Playground
- K6 Barrallier Park Water Play Facility
- K7 Fisher Street Playground

Key Demographics:

In 2021, The Oaks - Belimbla Park - Glenmore had

- similar proportion of children (under 18) and a similar proportion of persons aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire.
- 46.1% of households were made up of couples with children in 2021, compared with 41.3% in Wollondilly Shire.
- 13.4% of the population reported doing some form of voluntary work in 2021
- The three largest ancestries were Australian, English and Irish.

K1 Dudley Chesham Sportsground

Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Under construction (i.e. Multi-purpose amenities building)
Key Activities	Rugby League, Tennis, Netball, Cricket, Skate, Fitness, Play, Pony Club
Key Facilities	Rectangular Pitch (Rugby League x1) -Sports lighting -Clubhouse Netball Courts (x2) Tennis Courts (x4) -Sports lighting -Clubhouse Playspace Oval -Cricket Pitch -Cricket Nets -Cricket Shelter -Rectangular Pitch (Rugby League x1 Senior x2 Junior) Fitness Equipment Skate Park
Key Support Facilities	Public Toilet, Shelters/Seating, Shade
Primary Purpose	Organised Sport
Notes:	<p>Works Program 2023-2026/27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st Stage – New Amenity Building & Community Facility \$1,500,000 Construct (2024/25) \$3,700,000 Construct (2025/26) • Essential Community Sport Program Funding -Sportsfield Renovations/ Improvements \$118,000 Design/Construct (2023/24) \$118,000 Procure/Construct (2024/25) <p>2019 Dudley Chesham Sportsground Master Plan Final Landscape Master Plan - Adopted</p> <p>Future Considerations: Execution of the Dudley Chesham Sportsground Master Plan</p>



K2 Browns Rd Reserve Playground

K3 W S Williams Park Playground



Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Minor Defects Only: minor maintenance required (5%)
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Toilet
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Maintenance Required: significant maintenance required (10 - 20%)
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Toilets
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Notes:
The playground serves the needs of the local residential community.

Future Considerations:
Ensure the ongoing upkeep of the playground through routine maintenance to preserve safety standards and optimise user enjoyment.

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The playground serves the needs of the local residential community.

Future Considerations:
Ensure the ongoing upkeep of the playground through routine maintenance to preserve safety standards and optimise user enjoyment.

Consider upgrading the toilet to align with contemporary standards matching those of public facilities across the Shire.

K4 Gundungurra Park Playground

K5 Harold Noakes Park Playground



Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Minor Defects Only: minor maintenance required (5%)
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Shelter, Seating
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Minor Defects Only: minor maintenance required (5%)
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Shade, Seating
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Notes:
 Inconsistencies in park signage spelling observed:

- Gundungarra Park
- Gundungurra Park

Future Considerations:
 Ensure the ongoing upkeep of the playground through routine maintenance to preserve safety standards and optimise user enjoyment.

Verify park name spelling and revise sign accordingly.

Notes:
 Adjacent Wollondilly Heritage Centre

Future Considerations:
 Ensure the ongoing upkeep of the playground through routine maintenance to preserve safety standards and optimise user enjoyment.

K6 Barrallier Park Water Play Facility

K7 Fisher Street Playground



Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Under construction
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Splash Pad
Key Support Facilities	Seating
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Notes:
Opening in Spring 2024

Future Considerations:
Ensure the ongoing upkeep of the splash pad through routine maintenance to preserve safety standards and optimise user enjoyment.

Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Very Good Condition: Only normal maintenance required
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace Fitness Equipment
Key Support Facilities	
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Notes:

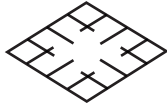
Future Considerations:
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L: Thirlmere – Lakesland

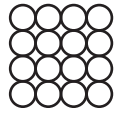
Precinct Overview:



2024 Population (Forecast ID):
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Land Area (ha):
10,654



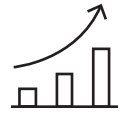
Population Density (Person/ha):
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Households (2021):
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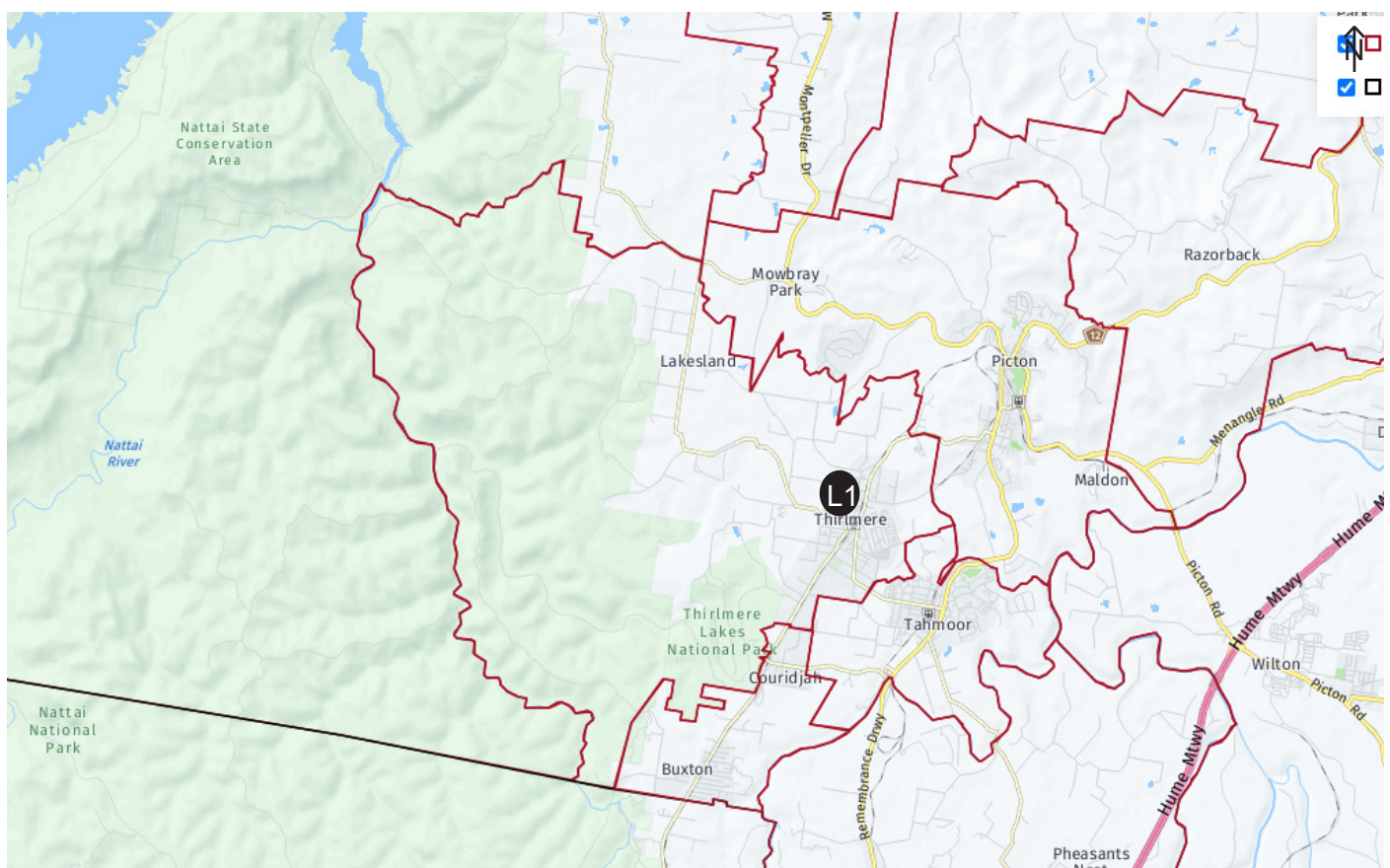


Index of Relative Socio-economic Disadvantage:
1,017



2041 Population (Forecast ID):
7,461

Existing Sport and Recreation Facilities:



Reference

- L1 Thirlmere Sportground (including Thirlmere Memorial Park)

Key Demographics:

In 2021, Thirlmere - Lakesland had

- lower proportion of children (under 18) and a higher proportion of persons aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire.
- 32.4% of households were made up of couples with children in 2021, compared with 41.3% in Wollondilly Shire.
- 11.9% of the population reported doing some form of voluntary work in 2021.
- The three largest ancestries were Australian, English and Irish.

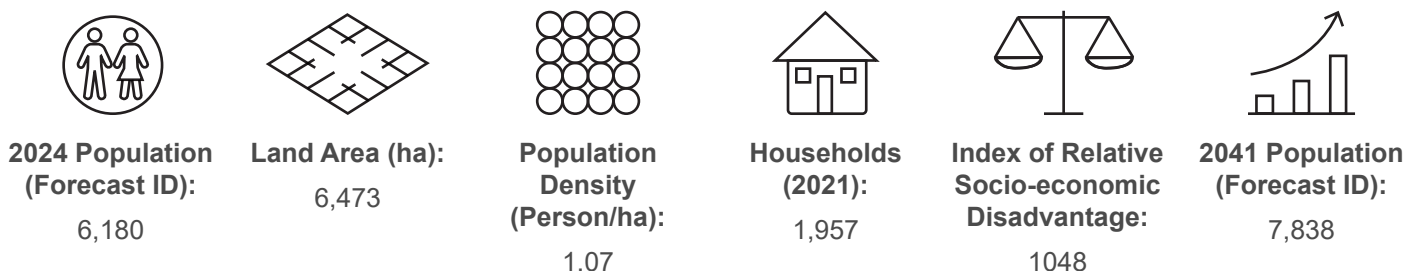
L1 Thirlmere Sportsground (including Thirlmere Memorial Park)

Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Crown owned - Council entrusted and s355 Committee managed
Venue Overall Condition	Requires Renewal: significant upgrade/renewal required (20 - 40%)
Key Activities	Rugby League, Touch Football, Tennis, Playspace and Greyhound Racing
Key Facilities	Rectangular Pitch (Rugby League x1 Senior x2 Junior) -Sports lighting -Clubhouse Greyhound racing track Tennis Courts (x2) -Sports lighting -Storage/Shelter Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Public Toilet, Shelters, Seating
Primary Purpose	Organised Sport
<p>Notes:</p> <p>Works Program 2023-2026/27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thirlmere Sportsground & Memorial Park Masterplan <p>2024 Thirlmere Sportsground Master Plan</p> <p>Future Considerations: Execution of the Thirlmere Sportsground Master Plan</p>	

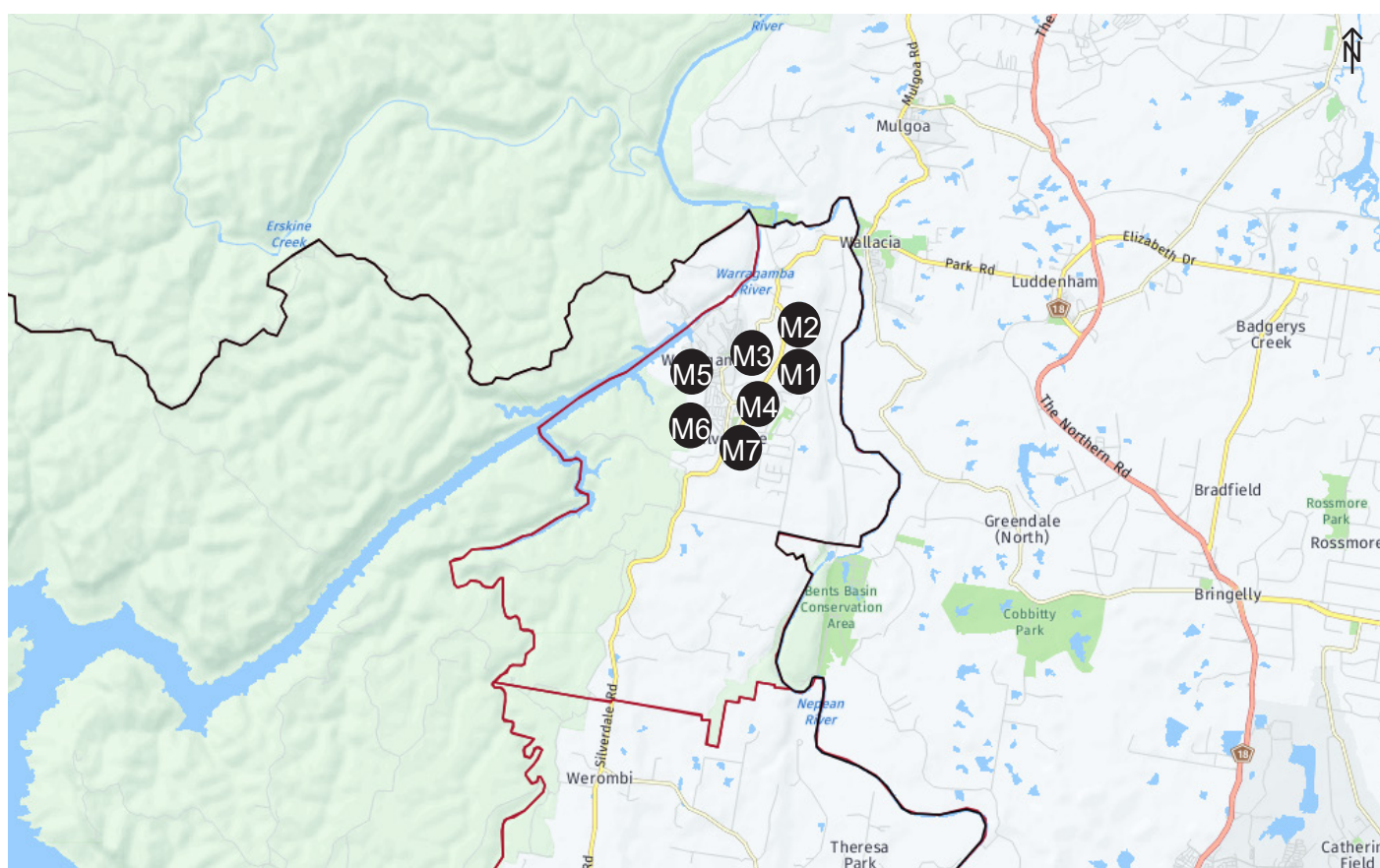


M: Wallacia - Warragamba – Silverdale

Precinct Overview:



Existing Sport and Recreation Facilities:



Reference

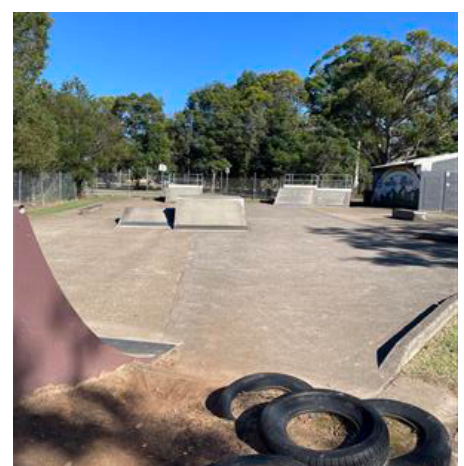
- M1 Warragamba Sportsground
- M2 Warragamba Swimming Pool (Mary Walker Memorial Swimming Pool)
- M3 Warragamba Waterboard Oval (including Warragamba Recreation Reserve)
- M4 Dunbar St Reserve Playground
- M5 Eugenie Byrne Park Playground
- M6 Lake Victoria Way Playground
- M7 Warragamba Civic Park Playground

Key Demographics:

- In 2021, Wallacia - Warragamba - Silverdale had
- higher proportion of children (under 18) and a lower proportion of persons aged 60 or older than Wollondilly Shire.
 - 46.2% of households were made up of couples with children in 2021, compared with 41.3% in Wollondilly Shire.
 - 9.7% of the population reported doing some form of voluntary work in 2021.
 - The three largest ancestries were Australian, English and Maltese.

M1 Warragamba Sportsground

Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Requires Renewal: significant upgrade/renewal required (20 - 40%)
Key Activities	Rugby League, Netball, Athletics, Netball, Basketball
Key Facilities	Rectangular Pitch (Rugby League x1 Senior) -Sports lighting -Clubhouse -Storage Athletics (Track and Field) Netball Court (x2) Basketball 1/2 Court Skate Park
Key Support Facilities	Public Toilet
Primary Purpose	Organised Sport



Notes

Warragamba Open Space includes the Warragamba Sportsground, Warragamba Swimming Pool and is connected to Waterboard Oval precinct via Warradale Road.

2014 WOSRCFS - Integration of a regional/subregional sports precinct integrating Warragamba Sportsground, Warragamba Pool and Warragamba Recreation Reserve (formerly SCA Picnic Grounds)

2022 - Warragamba Open Space Master Plan

Works Program 2023-2026/27

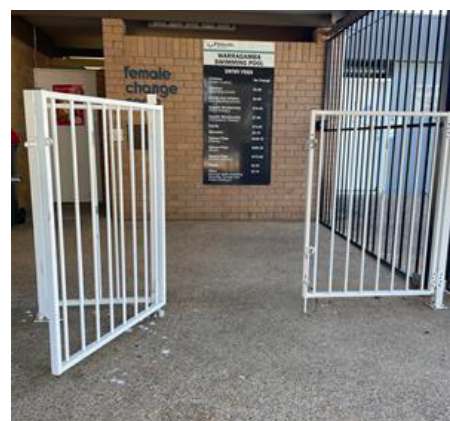
- Stage 1.1 - 4 netball courts \$700,000 Design/Approvals (2025/26) \$700,000 Construct (2026/27)
- Upgrades may also include the amenities building and athletics long jump pits.

Future Considerations:

Execution of the Warragamba Open Space Master Plan.

M2 Warragamba Swimming Pool (Mary Walker Memorial Swimming Pool)

Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Maintenance Required: significant maintenance required (10 - 20%)
Key Activities	Swimming
Key Facilities	Outdoor Pool 25m Toddler Pool (circle)
Key Support Facilities	Amenities, kiosk
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation



Notes

Warragamba Open Space includes the Warragamba Sportsground, Warragamba Swimming Pool and is connected to Waterboard Oval precinct via Warradale Road.

2014 WOSRCFS - Integration of a regional/subregional sports precinct integrating Warragamba Sportsground, Warragamba Pool and Warragamba Recreation Reserve (formerly SCA Picnic Grounds)

2022 - Warragamba Open Space Master Plan

Future Considerations:
Execution of the Warragamba Open Space Master Plan

Key Elements

- Retaining existing 25m outdoor pool allowing for refurbishment
- New amenities, kiosk, reception and plant room
- New outdoor toddler/splash play zone

(10-20 year cycle, 20+ years)

M3 Warragamba Waterboard Oval (including Warragamba Recreation Reserve)

Hierarchy	Local
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Requires Renewal: significant upgrade/renewal required (20 - 40%)
Key Activities	Football (Soccer), Tennis, Basketball
Key Facilities	Rectangular Pitch (Football x1 Senior x2 Junior)) -Sports lighting -Clubhouse Tennis Courts (x2) -Sports lighting Basketball Outdoor Court (x1) Playground
Key Support Facilities	Public Toilet
Primary Purpose	Organised Sport

Notes

Warragamba Open Space includes the Warragamba Sportsground, Warragamba Swimming Pool and is connected to Waterboard Oval precinct via Warradale Road.

Waterboard Oval has redundant baseball fencing.

2014 WOSRCFS - Integration of a regional/subregional sports precinct integrating Warragamba Sportsground, Warragamba Pool and Warragamba Recreation Reserve (formerly SCA Picnic Grounds)

2022 - Warragamba Open Space Master Plan

Works Program 2023-2026/27

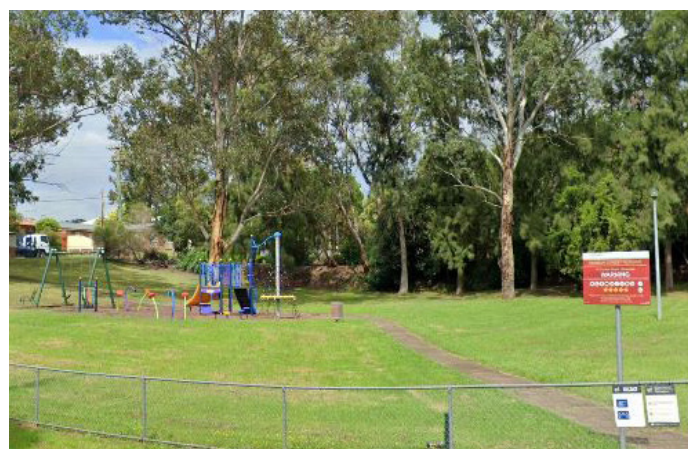
- Implementation of Master Plan \$260,000 Design/Approvals (2024/25) \$2,600,000 Procure/Construct (2025/26) \$2,340,000 Construct (2026/27)

Future Considerations:

Execution of the Warragamba Open Space Master Plan



M4 Dunbar St Reserve Playground



Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Minor Defects Only: minor maintenance required (5%)
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Notes:

The playground serves the needs of the local residential community.

Future Considerations:

Consider the timely replacement of aging playground equipment with modern, trend-aligned installations to ensure safety and enhance user engagement.

M5 Eugenie Byrne Park Playground



Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Minor Defects Only: minor maintenance required (5%)
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Notes:

The playground serves the needs of the local residential community.

Future Considerations:

Consider the timely replacement of aging playground equipment with modern, trend-aligned installations to ensure safety and enhance user engagement.

M6 Lake Victoria Way Playground



Hierarchy	Neighbourhood
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Minor Defects Only: minor maintenance required (5%)
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Shelter, Seating
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Notes:

The playground serves the needs of the local residential community .

Future Considerations:

Ensure the ongoing upkeep of the playground through routine maintenance to preserve safety standards and optimise user enjoyment.

M7 Warragamba Civic Park Playground



Hierarchy	District
Land Tenure/ Management	Council owned and managed
Venue Overall Condition	Minor Defects Only: minor maintenance required (5%)
Key Activities	Play
Key Facilities	Playspace
Key Support Facilities	Toilet, Shelter, Seating, BBQ
Primary Purpose	Community Recreation

Notes:

The playground serves the needs of the local residential community and visitors.

Future Considerations:

Ensure the ongoing upkeep of the playground and fitness equipment through routine maintenance to preserve safety standards and optimise user enjoyment.

APPENDIX B
COMMUNITY
CONSULTATION
SNAPSHOT

The image shows an outdoor sports field with green artificial turf. White lines mark the boundaries of the field, and a prominent yellow line runs diagonally across the foreground. In the background, there is a chain-link fence, trees, and some residential buildings under a blue sky with scattered white clouds. The text 'APPENDIX B COMMUNITY CONSULTATION SNAPSHOT' is overlaid on the left side of the image.

BACKGROUND

The Community Sport and Recreation Needs Strategy is a ten-year shire strategic plan. The strategy will enable a strategic and outcomes-based approach to the development of community sport and recreation infrastructure within Wollondilly Shire, and address the challenges of a changing community profile, urbanisation of rural areas and the pressures on existing community sport and recreation infrastructure.

ENGAGEMENT OVERVIEW

The consultation undertaken as part of the Strategy focused on gaining a better understanding of the current state of sport and recreation in Wollondilly by engaging with key stakeholders and the community. The objective was to ensure that the community and key stakeholders had the opportunity to contribute to the development of the Community Sport & Recreation Needs Strategy, and to ensure that the values and aspirations of the community and stakeholders are reflected.

As part of round one, we used online surveys to gather feedback. We also held a series of workshops (in person and on line) attended by 21 sporting club and government agencies who shared their thoughts with us.

A project information flyer was developed which provided an overview of the project background and information regarding engagement opportunities. It featured a QR code that linked to Council's Your Say page and promotion was carried out through Council's social media channels.



KEY DATES

- 22 March consultation opens
- 10 April in person workshop
- 11 April on-line workshop 1
- 18 April on-line workshop 2
- 22 April consultation closes

CHANNELS



- Targeted emails and phone calls
- E-newsletters
- Social media
- Flyer distribution
- Your Say Wollondilly engagement platform - community on-line survey
- Club/Association on-line survey
- Display screens in Council's foyer
- Staff communications
- Community workshops
- Key stakeholder interviews
- Written comments

BY THE NUMBERS

525



Visits to Your Say Wollondilly

32



People responding to community survey

33



Sporting clubs/associations responding to club survey

21



Individuals representing sporting clubs or interest groups at workshops

20



Interviews with representatives from sporting organisations, associations and NSW Government Departments

WHAT WE HEARD



Collating all of the feedback from the various engagement channels, a number of positive themes emerged.

Appreciation of natural landscape (bush setting, rural).



Accessibility and location of facilities.



Community and social benefits.



Success of recent upgrades to facilities.

Facility components tailored to each site.



Wide range of activities and facilities.



Club relationships, participating in mutually supportive endeavours.



Increase in female participation in non-traditional sports.

Organisation and management provided by volunteers.



Friendly environments created by clubs and user groups.



Key Issues

- Increasing population
- New facility developments to meet future demand
- Insufficient capacity at particular existing sport and recreation facilities
- Travel to neighbouring local government areas to access particular sport and recreation opportunities
- Challenges relating to ageing or poorly designed facilities
- Lack of all access and female friendly community sport facilities
- Programs not meeting community demand
- Unable to cater for sports tourism.

Sample Comments

- “Sharing of facilities for different sports, not enough for future needs...”
- “Club houses and facilities need urgent upgrades to bring them up to date.”
- “Accessibility for all across all areas of Wollondilly to participate and access their communities.”
- “We definitely need more multi purpose facilities...”
- “A facility set up to host events to draw big numbers to the area.”
- “Improved facilities...”
- “Increase our female participation...”

NEXT STEPS

The next step is to prepare the Draft Community Sport and Recreation Needs Strategy which will be shared with the community in the coming months.




APPENDIX C
CONTRIBUTION
PLAN
INFRASTRUCTURE
LOCATION MAPS

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








Wollondilly Contributions Plan 2020

Area B - Wilton Growth Area
Map 001



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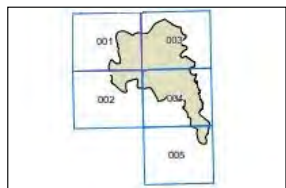
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Open Space

-  Active - Playing Fields
-  Passive - Local Park
-  Passive - Neighbourhood Park
-  Hilltop Park
-  Landscaped Corridor
-  Urban - Town Centre
-  BG Local Open Space
-  Bingara VPA
-  Walker VPA
-  Community Facilities

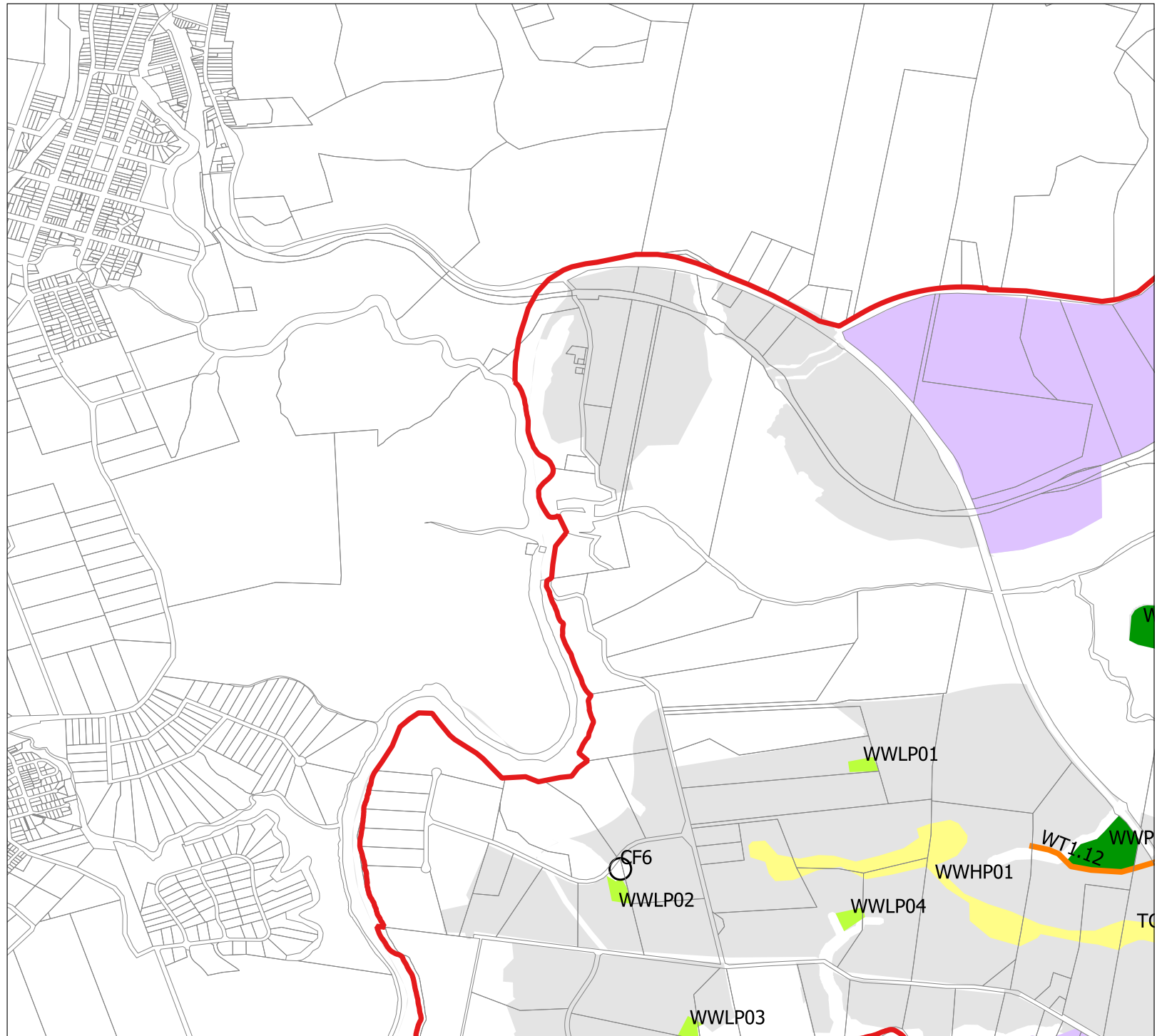
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Wollondilly Contributions Plan 2020

Area B - Wilton Growth Area
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

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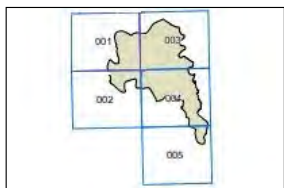
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Open Space

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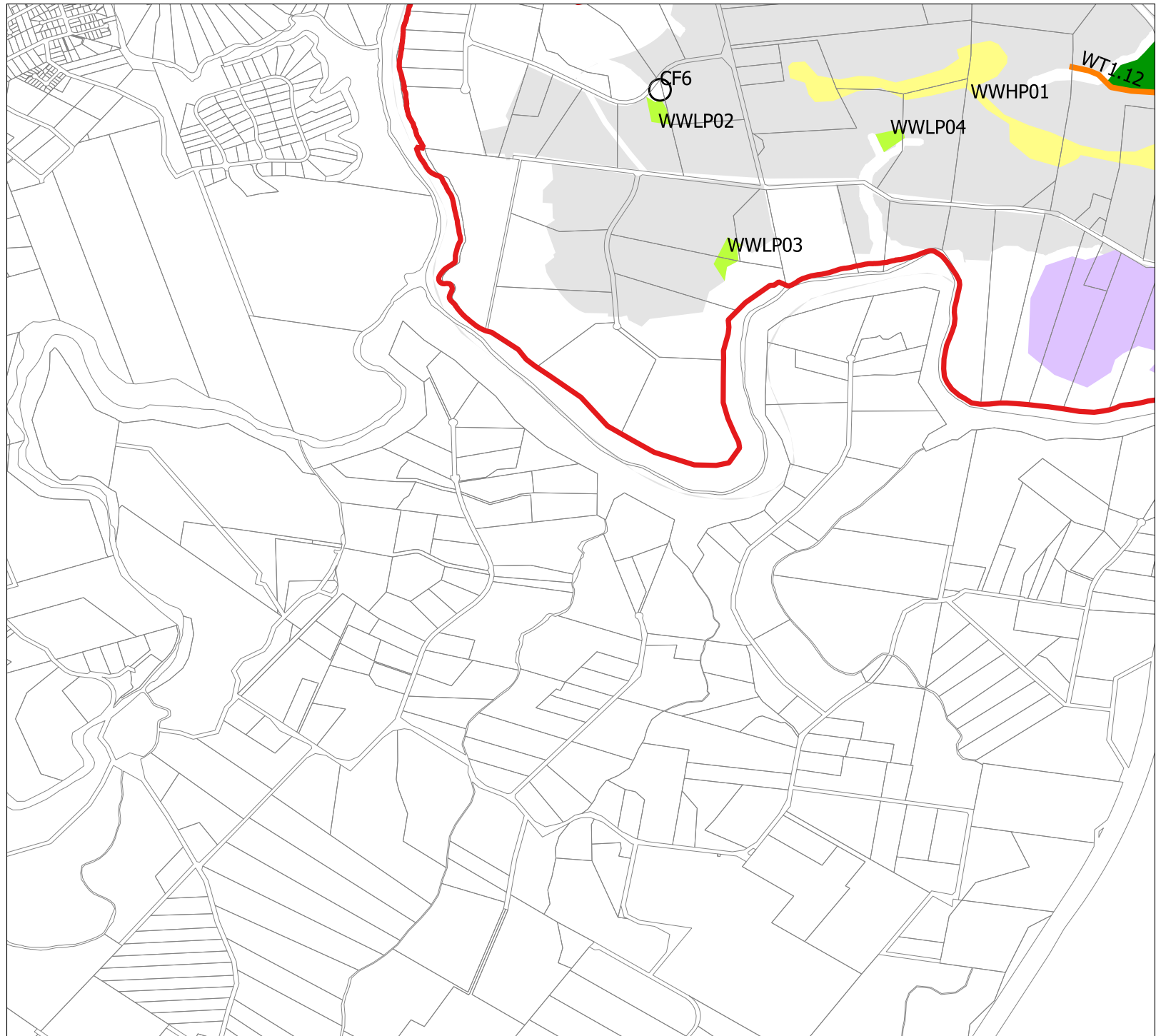
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

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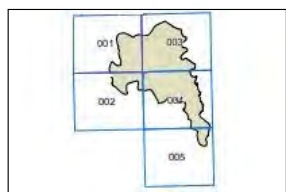
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Open Space

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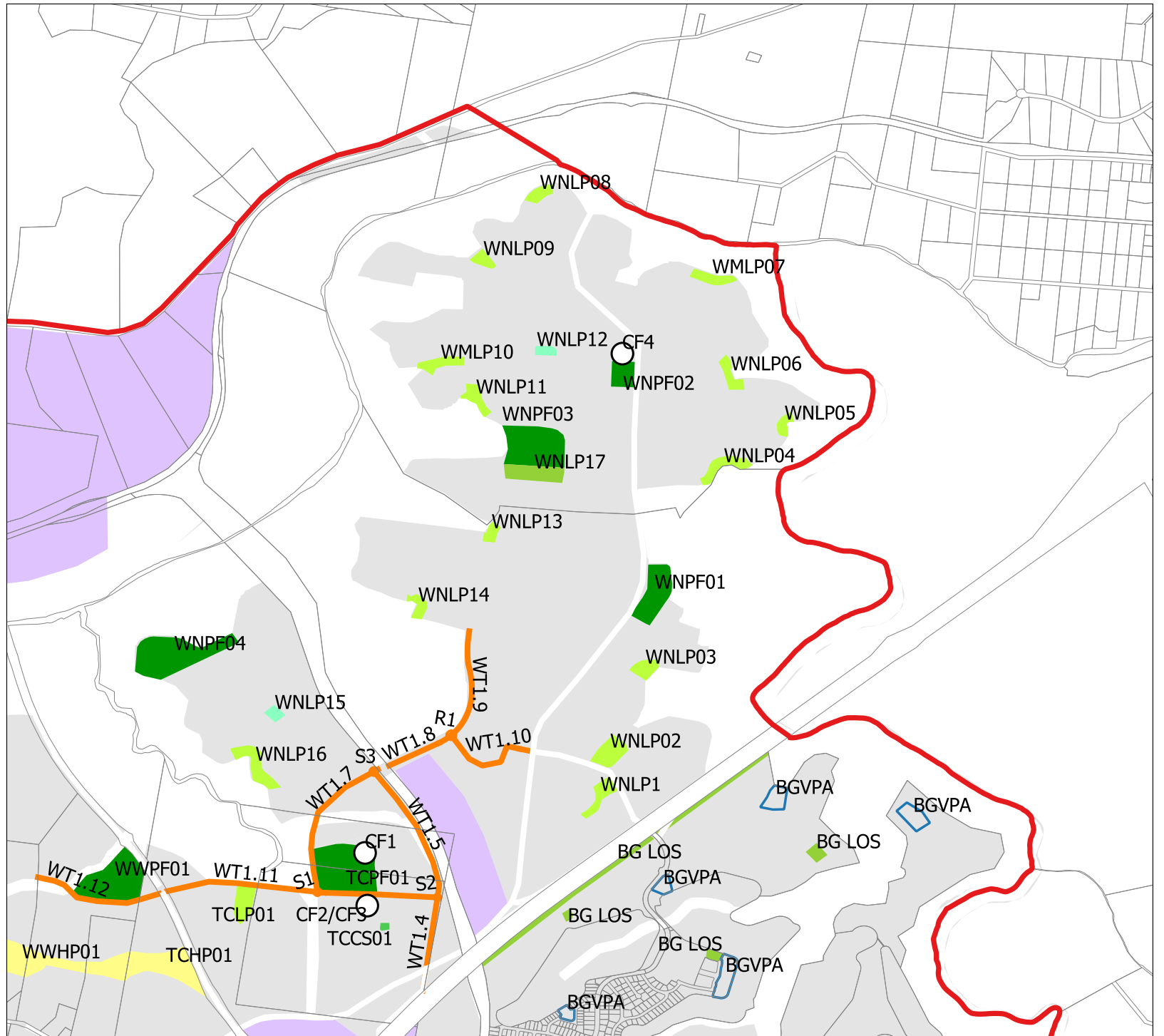
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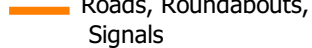
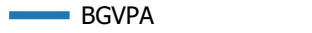

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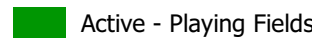
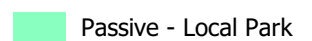
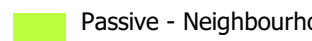
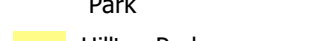
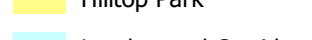

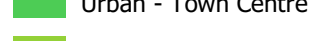

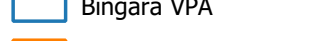

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Area B - Wilton Growth Area
Map 004


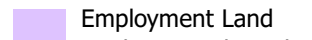
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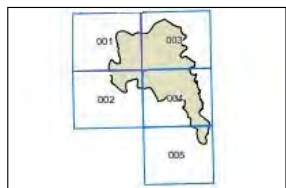
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Open Space

-  Active - Playing Fields
-  Passive - Local Park
-  Passive - Neighbourhood Park
-  Hilltop Park
-  Landscaped Corridor
-  Urban - Town Centre
-  BG Local Open Space
-  Bingara VPA
-  Walker VPA
-  Community Facilities

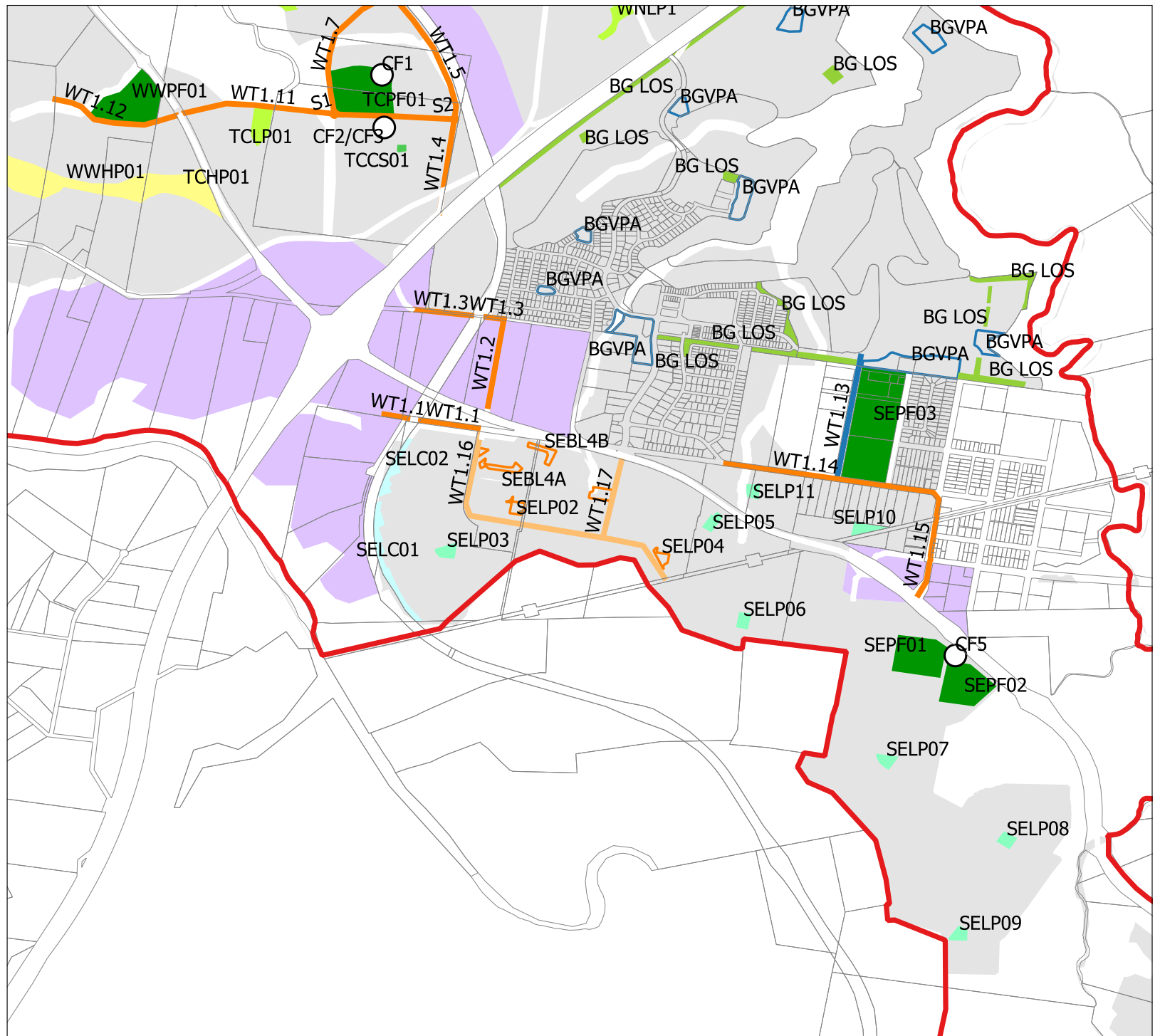
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-  Employment Land and Potential Employment Investigation



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Area B - Wilton Growth Area
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

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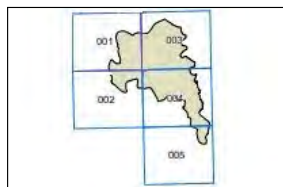
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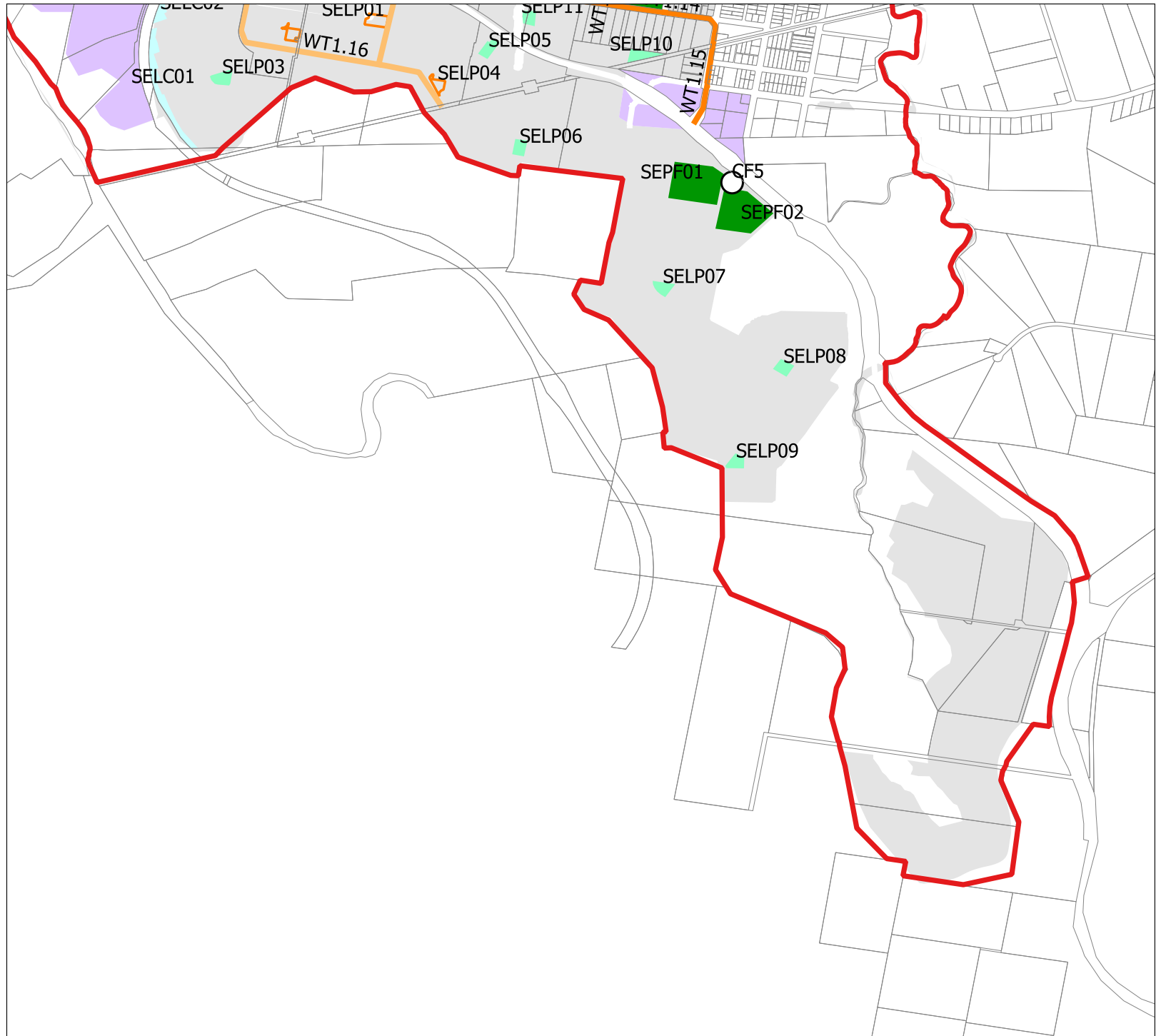
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Appin Growth Area Contributions Plan (Area C)

Map 1

Transport

— Roads and Transport Infrastructure

— Intersection Upgrade

Open Space

□ Double Playing Field

■ Active

■ Passive- Playground

Community Facilities

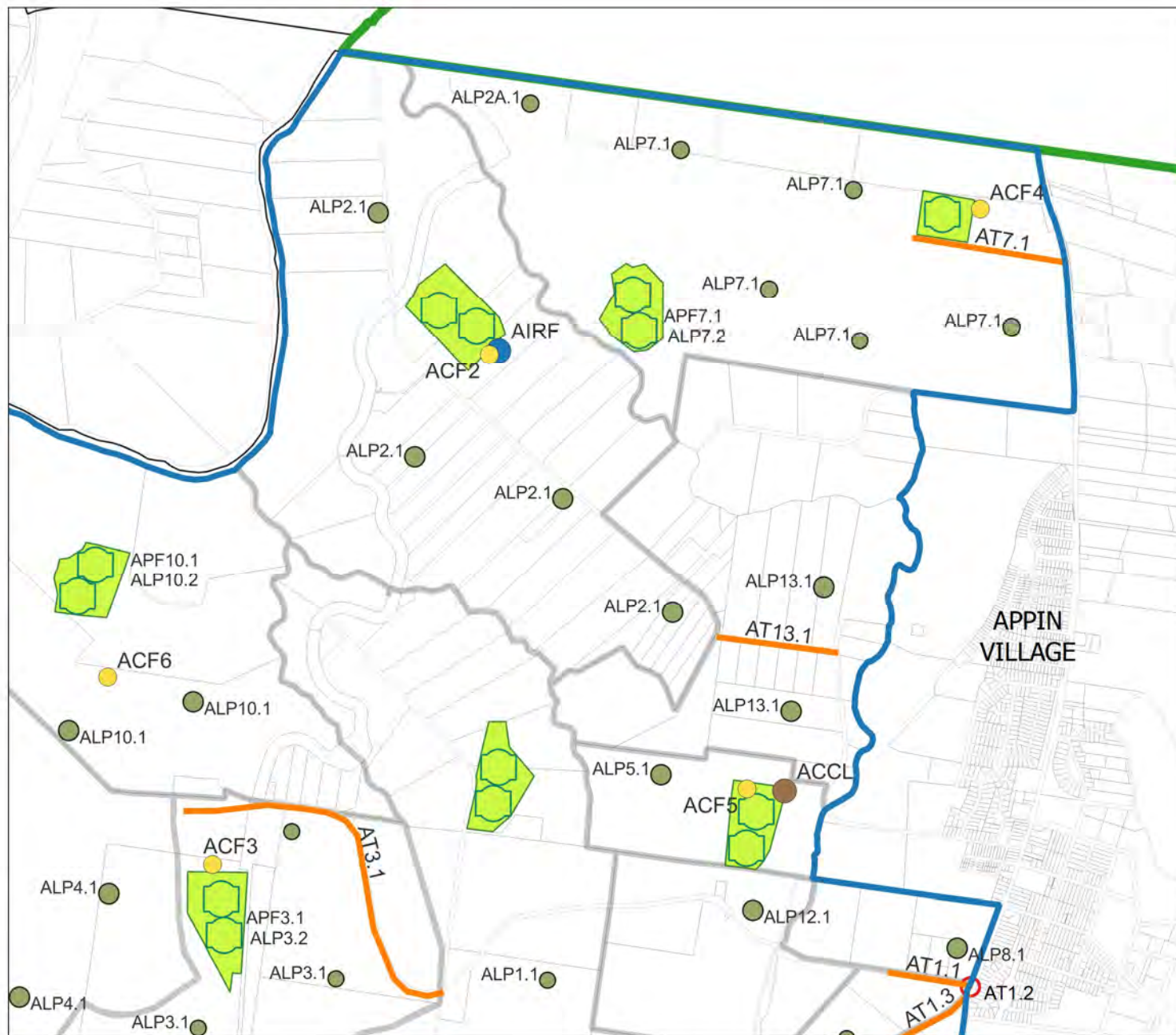
● Community Centre

● Cultural Centre & Library

● Indoor Recreation Facility

□ Release Areas

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Appin Growth Area Contributions Plan (Area C)

Map 2

Transport

— Roads & Transport Infrastructure

Open Space

□ Double Playing Field

■ Active

■ Passive- Playground

Community Facilities

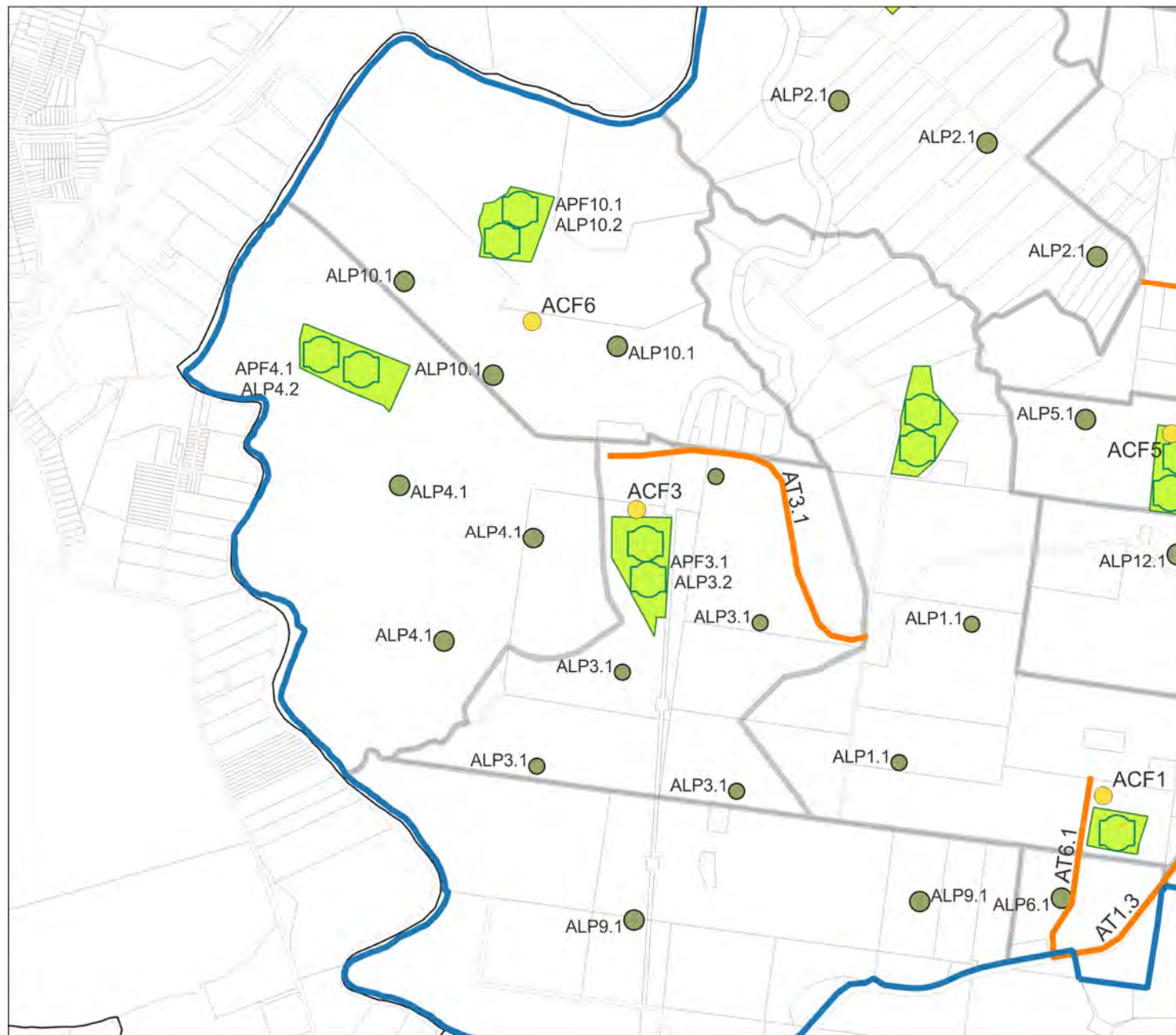
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Appin Growth Area Contributions Plan (Area C)

Map 3

Transport

— Roads & Transport Infrastructure

— Intersection Upgrade

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■ Active

■ Passive- Playground

Community Facilities

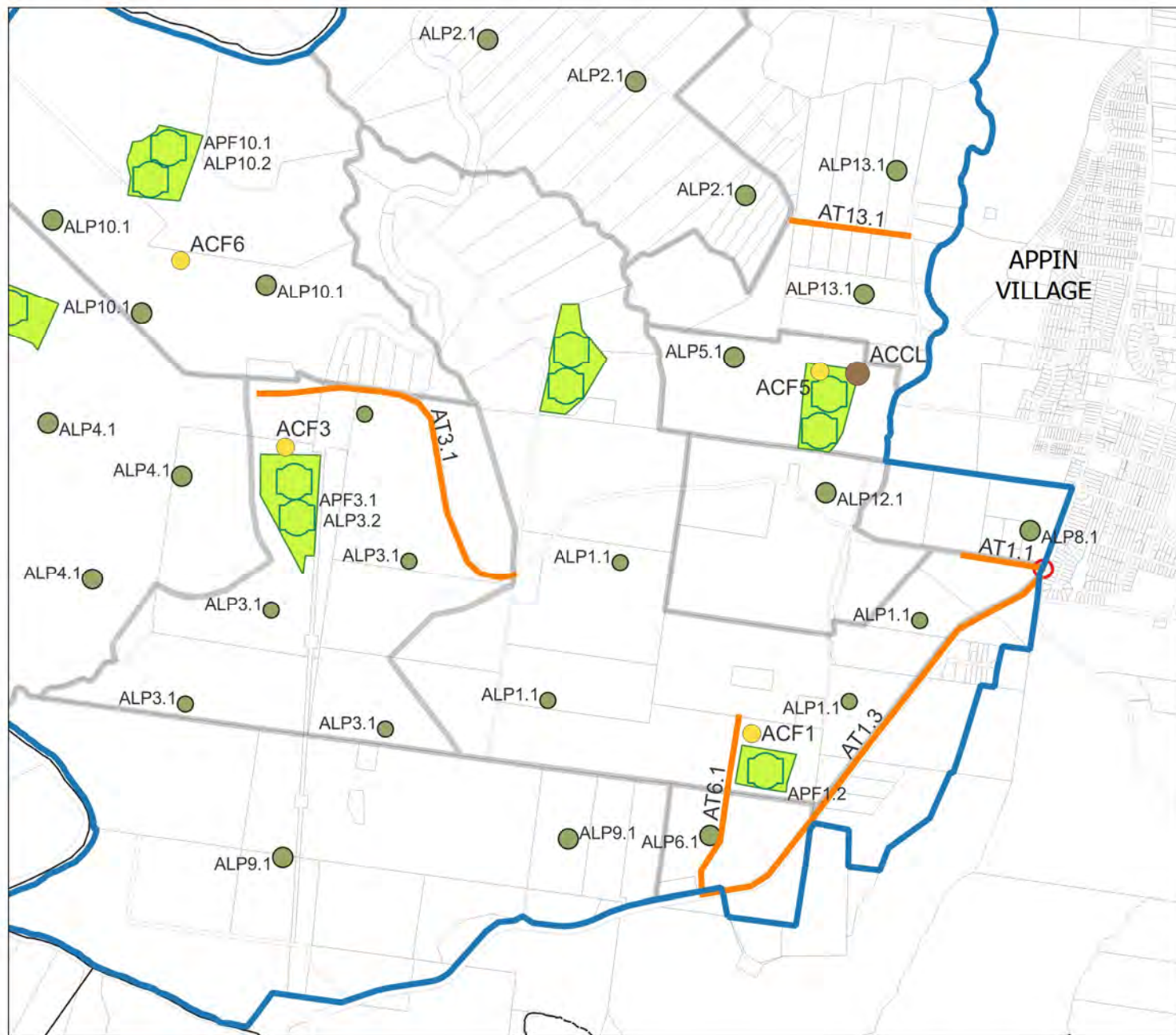
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APPENDIX D

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

27 MAY 2025

RESOLUTION

91/2025

Councillor Banasik left the meeting at 6.24pm.

14.5 COMMUNITY SPORT AND RECREATION NEEDS STRATEGY

RESOLUTION 91/2025

Moved: Cr Matthew Deeth

Seconded: Cr Jacqueline Jenson

That Council:

1. **Adopt the Final Community Sport and Recreation Needs Strategy and Summary document (Attachment 1 and Attachment 2 of the report) with the following amendments:**
 - a. **Adjust terminology in strategy document to align with catchments used for Contributions Planning ie. *Shire Wide, District, Growth Area and Precinct.***
 - b. ***Council's goal to commit to a 50/50 gender participation in sport locally and gender all-inclusive facilities by 2032 clearly highlighted as a priority in the strategy executive summary and summary report.***
 - c. **Update strategy 1 to include:**
 - i. ***Amend action 1.2 to include a District level Athletics facility with provisions for a future tartan track within a timeframe of 2032-2040 with a feasibility study to commence by 2025-2029.***
 - ii. ***An action that identifies the planning pathway to amending the Wilton structure plan to align this strategy with the existing structure plan and any resourcing implications.***
 - iii. ***Amend action 1.8 to deliver a Shire Wide Youth Precinct in 2025-2031 and rephasing the local precinct timings with a feasibility study to consider viability and implementation.***
 - iv. ***Add an additional action to include at the completion of the Victoria Park Masterplan, Picton, investigate in consultation with the relevant Rugby League Clubs the planning and establishment of a District Level Rugby League precinct at Wilton to cater for the growing sporting needs.***
 - d. **Update strategy 2 to include:**
 - i. ***Amending action 2.1 to incorporate a 50m lap pool and to undertake a feasibility study and business case.***
 - ii. ***Amend action 2.3 to investigate options to bring forward delivery of the first netball court by 2027-2032 and the rest by 2040.***
 - iii. ***Amend action 3.2 to include a focus on delivery of multipurpose courts at Appin Park.***
 - e. **Update strategy 4 to include:**
 - i. ***An action to embellish Berrico Park Bargo as a local park.***

- ii. **Amend action 4.3 to Investigate establishment of a new east Bargo park through acquiring land or through establishing a strategic partnership with NSW Department of Education to upgrade the existing playground to cater to the school students and community on the eastern side of the railway.**
- f. **Update strategy 5 to include:**
 - i. **Amend action 5.1 to include formalisation of the car parking arrangements as per the masterplan.**
- g. **Remove Douglas Park from planning precinct E and include in precinct F and update Strategy 7 and 8 respectively.**
- h. **Update Strategy 8 to:**
 - i. **Amend action ‘7.2 Douglas Park Sports Ground’ to include opportunities to:**
 - **Enhance ground drainage**
 - **Improve car parking capacity and infrastructure including use of nearby paper road**
 - **Implement the next stage of the adopted masterplan BMX bike facility.**
 - ii. **Update action 8.1 to ‘complete’.**
 - iii. **Update action 8.3 timeframes to 2030-2036.**
 - iv. **Include an action to include additional sports fields.**
 - v. **Update the rationale to include wording to ‘review strategy 8 alongside any major employment lands proposals before rezoning occurs.’**
 - vi. **Include an action to investigate pedestrian linkage to the existing Nepean River Reserve providing local access to natural swimming facilities.**
 - vii. **Include an action to investigate a strategy for Douglas Park Causeway (“Archies Crossing”) at Douglas Park to improve access and safety to natural swimming and recreation facilities.**
- i. **Update Strategy 9 to:**
 - i. **Amend 9.1 to consider upgrades to field lighting**
 - ii. **Amend 9.2 to include delivery of the new hall, and prioritise any outstanding embellishments for the site, like parking, should it be needed in the future**
 - iii. **Include a new point to identify and investigate the embellishment of the council owned land adjacent to Braycharlo Estate to a local level park.**
- j. **Update Strategy 12 to:**
 - i. **Include an action to plan towards and deliver a potential District Park at Tahmoor Park.**

- ii. **Update action 12.2 to ‘Tahmoor Riding for the Disabled and Pony Club Facility’.**
- k. **Update Strategy 13 to:**
 - i. **Create an additional point to include prioritisation of lighting of sports field, multipurpose courts and carpark at Dudley Chesham in the next stage of development and update timeframe to 2025-2031.**
- l. **Update Strategy 14 to:**
 - i. **Amend action 14.6 to progress planning for the funded play space in East Thirlmere, with consideration for land acquisition and additional funding opportunities.**
- m. **Update Strategy 15 to:**
 - i. **Update 15.3 to “Warragamba Recreation Reserve and Warragamba Sportsground”.**
 - ii. **Update 15.4 to include Warragamba Recreation Reserve playground and the Kimpara playground.**
- n. **Update Strategy 17 to:**
 - i. **Amend 17.5 to incorporate delivery of unique architectural playgrounds, design aspects and destination playgrounds like Wadanggari Park, Sydney and Bradbury Park, Brisbane.**
 - ii. **Amend 17.5 to include an action to review Council's land register to ensure capture all parks and recreation areas are captured when developing the Parks Hierarchy Plan.**
 - iii. **Bring forward the timeframe of 17.7 to 2025-2031.**
 - iv. **Amend action 17.10 to include sporting fields.**
 - v. **Amend 17.6 to remove reference to the “Play space and outdoor fitness strategy.”**
 - vi. **Amend 17.7 to the timeframe “2025-2031”.**
- o. **Update Strategy 18 to include an action to:**
 - i. **Encourage and work with state and national bodies to consider providing localised, cost effective training programs tailored for women and girls.**
 - ii. **Report annually on progress towards Council’s goal of all-inclusive facilities and 50/50 participation in sport.**
 - iii. **Conduct an audit and provide a report to Council on the current state of gender all-inclusive facilities and a recommended priority works list to be incorporated in the Capital Works Program.**
 - iv. **Periodically assess participation rates and demand for sports not yet catered for in Wollondilly, like Hockey and ensure early planning is considered for their needs.**
- p. **Update strategy 19 to include an action:**

- i. Locate access keys where feasible in local towns and villages for better customer experience in the short term and to investigate and implement keyless facilities and improved online booking systems in the medium to long term.*
 - ii. To install CCTV Cameras where antisocial behaviour or high value assets require additional surveillance.*
- q. Update Strategy 26 to:**
 - i. Include an action to develop an Active Transport network plan to connect sportsgrounds and town centres, facilities, and other transport nodes.*
- r. When considering population needs and planning for planning precincts D, G, H, K, and M they be considered as a district population collector and district facilities be located accordingly to service this larger area to target grant opportunities.**
- 2. Remove references to 355 Management Committees in the Strategy and add references to the Sportsground Volunteer Engagement Panels where appropriate.**
- 3. Consider programming the Community Facilities Strategy to be completed in the 25/26 Operational Plan.**
- 4. Review and update this strategy should it be required to align to the Appin Contributions plan once it has been finalised and adopted by Council or consider inclusion of the following wording in "information and Accuracy Review" including "The information provided in this strategy document including but not limited to population projections, contributions plans, planning documents, and related data, is accurate as of the date of its adoption. Please note that demographics, trends, planning frameworks and funding mechanisms may change over time. Consequently, significant changes may necessitate a periodic review and updates to ensure its continued relevance and accuracy."**
- 5. Consider prioritising the planning of the multipurpose indoor sports hub for Wilton and ensure inclusion in the 25/26-27/28 Delivery Plan including the development of a masterplan, in coordination with landholders and seek endorsement and inclusion in relevant state sport bodies long-term strategic documents.**
- 6. Recognises that Profile ID precincts align with ABS Statistical Areas, and do not reflect connected communities or larger catchment areas based on the nature of the shire.**
- 7. Work closely with Sportsground Volunteer Engagement Panels and other stakeholder groups to support the implementation of the various strategies aligning with the timeframes indicated in the document.**
- 8. Include a minor review every 4 years and a major review every 8 years and prior to any review of the Wollondilly Contributions plan.**

9. **Thank all participants in the engagement process and public exhibition period for their contribution towards developing the Final Community Sport and Recreation Needs Strategy and Summary document, particularly Council staff and consultants involved in the project.**

On being put the meeting the motion was declared **CARRIED 7/0**

In Favour: Cr Matthew Deeth, Cr Hilton Gibbs, Cr Paul Rogers, Cr Suzy Brandstater, Cr Jacqueline Jenson, Cr Trish Hill and Cr Ally Dench

Against: Nil

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