

Haig Park Masterplan - Draft Key Design Elements

Vision

“Haig Park is a vibrant and inclusive urban park providing a series of safe and attractive spaces for passive and active enjoyment, whilst connecting with the heritage of the park. As an integral part of community life, Haig Park is a place for social and cultural exchange, contributing to a unique urban experience for everyone”

Key Design Elements

Themes	Objectives	Principles
Character & Amenity	To celebrate the unique identity of Haig Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish a resilient public urban forest Connect people with nature and provide a respite from urbanisation Ensure the structural formation and spatial quality of the heritage windbreak remains evident
	To provide high quality public spaces which are engaging, comfortable and amenable for all users	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proportion spaces that are people friendly Provide spaces to give shelter from climate extremes and optimise summer shade & winter sun Ensure landscape contributes to amenity of the Park Provide adequate high quality street furniture that is located for convenient use
	To ensure Haig Park is a safe place to be at all times of the day and night	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design spaces and thoroughfares to maximise passive surveillance of the Park Ensure that natural hazards are minimised Improve safety around Sullivans Creek
Access	To make Haig Park accessible to everyone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Calm the traffic in surrounding streets Create safe and comfortable connections with surrounding neighbourhoods and movement networks Provide convenient and unobtrusive parking
	To strengthen connections into and within the Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transform Haig Park from a physical ‘barrier’ by integrating it with the fabric of the City Emphasise and celebrate entry points Create strong linkages between existing networks and entry points Create hierarchy of pathways in park
	To ensure access to and from the Park is safe at all times of the day and night	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Calm the traffic environment in surround streets Improve pedestrian and cycling conditions
	To improve Active Travel opportunities getting to or moving through the Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage modes of transport which involves physical activity to get to and through Haig Park Encourage walkability Get more children riding and walking through Haig Park to get to and from school

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Heritage	To conserve and respect the heritage values of the Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Provide an authentic response to heritage values ▪ Understand and build on the quality of the existing structure and grid formation of trees ▪ Minimise interventions in the Park
	To enjoy the Park as a heritage feature of the City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Maximise opportunities to look into / be in the Park
	To allow “other” values to co-exist with the heritage values of the Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Adopt principles of adaptive re-use to guide the process of revitalisation of Haig Park
	To ensure the heritage values withstand the impacts of change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mitigate and adapt to climate change
Environmental Sustainability	To strengthen connections between Haig Park and the open space and park network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Provide ecological connectivity ▪ Encourage linkages with other parks
	To enhance Haig Park’s status as a green lung (natural parkland)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Create healthier ecosystems ▪ Reduce the urban heat island effect
	To withstand future climatic impacts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mitigate and adapt to climate change
Destination	To strengthen the Parks presence as a city landmark	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Design infrastructure to complement and enhance the scale and character of the Park ▪ Material palette to be site specific, appropriate and memorable ▪ Provide community “anchor” infrastructure as a centrepiece of Haig Park
	To provide a diverse range of things to do within the Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Define location specific use and character zones ▪ Provide a mix of uses that reflect the desired character and program for each zone
	To meet the recreational needs of the local community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Design for health, wellbeing and happiness ▪ Design spaces that are flexible and multi-use
	To provide a place to meet other people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Provide safe, clean and attractive spaces ▪ Provide comfortable and appropriately located seating