Coombs Play Space at Holden’s Creek Pond

PLANNING, CONSTRUCTION AND ENGAGEMENT TIMELINE

## Estate Development Plan approved

The 2012 Plan:
- finalised the road and block layout for Coombs
- indicated an approximate location of a playground close to John Gorton Drive
- indicated that a playground would be part of the future North Coombs design
- noted that the pond and landscape works were subject to separate approval

## North Coombs Estate Development Plan approved

The 2017 Plan:
- finalised the road and block layout for North Coombs
- was informed by engineering requirements for the site which included a stormwater drain on the previously identified park location at John Gorton Drive
- showed a new indicative playground location further along Edgeworth Parade
- showed an indicative path network and playground elements

## 2017 Coombs Landscape Strategy released

The Strategy included:
- a concept plan indicating possible landscape elements and pedestrian, cycling, and equestrian connections through the Pond and the Molonglo River Corridor
- the indicative playground location and connecting pedestrian paths described as ‘Potential Future Playground’

## Stage 1 Consultation

Consultation opened about inclusions in playground on 22 May 2018
Consultation closed 2 July 2018
Consultation report was published 27 August 2018

## Draft Play Space Design released

The draft design:
- responded to feedback from Stage 1 consultation
- reflected the community’s preference for specific play elements, a toilet block and carparking
- considered Transport Canberra and City Services (TCCS) playground standards at the time
- received in-principle support from TCCS

## Community feedback

Community feedback was received on the draft design
In response, further independent planning studies were undertaken, and reports made available online
A second round of engagement was announced
A draft Stage 2 engagement strategy was published for comment

## Stage 2 Consultation (August–October 2019)

Feedback on the engagement plan was considered
An independent community engagement consultant was appointed in August 2019 to undertake the Stage 2 engagement and report independently back to the SLA
A revised engagement plan was published on 22 August 2019

## Final design and approval

SLA to consider independent report on Stage 2 consultation outcomes
Final design to be prepared for ACT Government approval
Final design may require statutory Development Application approval if it includes parking and/or toilet facilities
ACT Government decision expected late 2019 to early 2020
Notice of decision soon after

## Construction

Construction phase including procurement of a construction contractor
Construction phase from May 2020 through to May 2021

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