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# **SECTION 1 - GENERAL**

#### INTRODUCTION - WHY DOES THE PLAN EXIST?

The plan has been prepared by Wyong Council under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 which requires Councils to prepare Plans of Management for all land under Council ownership or control classified as community land.

The use and management of the community land to which this plan applies is regulated by this Plan of Management. The Local Government Act 1993 provides that community land is required to be used and managed in accordance with the Plan of Management.

The procedure for the preparation of Plans of Management involves public exhibition and consultation processes. The plan may be amended by a subsequent Plan of Management.

#### LAND TO WHICH THE PLAN APPLIES

This plan applies to land fronting part of Brush Road, Ourimbah Street, Sohier Street and Frost Street, Ourimbah.

The land is described as follows and for the purposes of the Local Government Act 1993, the land is classified as community land.

Table 1

Lot	DP	House No	Street Name	Suburb	Owner	Classification	Categorisation	Use	Zone
1	25139	15-31	Ourimbah Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground/ Natural Area (Bushland)	Bushland	6(a) Open Space & Recreation
2	25139	15-31	Ourimbah Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground/ Natural Area (Bushland)	Bushland	6(a) Open Space & Recreation
3	25139	15-31	Ourimbah Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground/ Natural Area (Bushland)	Bushland	6(a) Open Space & Recreation
4	25139	15-31	Ourimbah Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground/ Natural Area (Bushland)	Bushland	6(a) Open Space & Recreation
5	25139	15-31	Ourimbah Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground/ Natural Area (Bushland)	Bushland	6(a) Open Space & Recreation
6	25139	15-31	Ourimbah Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground/ Natural Area (Bushland)	Bushland (some cleared land)	6(a) Open Space & Recreation
7	25139	15-31	Ourimbah Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground/ Natural Area (Bushland)	Bushland (some cleared land)	6(a) Open Space & Recreation
8	25139	15-31	Ourimbah Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground	Cricket pitch	6(a) Open Space & Recreation
9	25139	15-31	Ourimbah Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground	Cricket pitch	6(a) Open Space & Recreation
11	25139	1-13	Ourimbah Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground	Cricket pitch	6(a) Open Space & Recreation

Lot	DP	House No	Street Name	Suburb	Owner	Classification	Categorisation	Use	Zone
12	25139	15-31	Ourimbah Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground	Oval	6(a) Open Space & Recreation
13	25139	15-31	Ourimbah Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground	Oval	6(a) Open Space & Recreation
14	25139	15-31	Ourimbah Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground	Oval	6(a) Open Space & Recreation
15	25139	15-31	Ourimbah Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground	Oval	6(a) Open Space & Recreation
16	25139	15-31	Ourimbah Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground	Oval	6(a) Open Space & Recreation
17	25139	15-31	Ourimbah Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground	Oval	6(a) Open Space & Recreation
*5	3868	4W	Brush Road	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground	Cricket pitch	6(a) Open Space & Recreation
1	386095	1	Frost Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground	Cricket pitch, carpark & tennis courts	6(a) Open Space & Recreation
6	653892	3	Frost Street	Ourimbah	WSC	Community	Sportsground/ Natural Area (Bushland)	Tennis court	6(a) Open Space & Recreation

<sup>\*</sup> A deed of trust to use the land by the public of Ourimbah and sports clubs exists on Lot 5 DP 3868 (9765125, 9765126). The total area is 68,759.7 square metres.

# STRATEGIC PLANNING OBJECTIVES

Wyong Council owns many parcels of community land and strategic plans are to ensure that the land is managed in a cost effective way to maximise the community benefits of its use. The Council's current strategy for Bill Sohier Park is to maintain current uses and facilitate future works on the site.

The following actions are appropriate for Bill Sohier Park:

- 1 Maintain a mix of users, all current uses and function as open space/recreation facility for community and local schools.
- 2 Facilitate development of combined club house/community building.
- Regenerate Bangalow Creek and associated natural areas in accordance with a Bushland Regeneration Plan.
- 4 Permit possible road re-alignment and road closure.
- 5 Provide play equipment, barbecue and picnic facilities.

#### PLANNING CONTROLS APPLYING

The land to which this plan applies is subject to the provisions of Wyong Local Environmental Plan 1991, which identifies the land as being zoned 6(a) Open Space and Recreation. Development consent under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 is required for most developments.

The following relevant Development Control Plan and Council Policy apply to the land:

# \* Development Control Plan No 14 - Tree Management

The objective of Development Control Plan No 14 is to maintain and improve the existing amenity, character and environmental values of the Shire through appropriate vegetation management.

# \* Fully Flood Affected Land

Information available to Council indicates that this land could be subject to the risk of flooding by a flood of a one (1) in one hundred (100) year recurrence frequency or less. Council's Policy relates to minimum floor levels and further information is available on enquiry to Council's Engineering Department.

# MANAGEMENT PLAN OBJECTIVES

The core objectives for management of community land categorised as a <u>natural area</u> are:

- \* To conserve biodiversity and maintain ecosystem function in respect of the land, or the feature or habitat in respect of which the land is categorised as a natural area.
- \* To maintain the land, or that feature or habitat, in its natural state and setting.
- \* To provide for the restoration and regeneration of the land.
- \* To provide for community use of and access to the land in such a manner as will minimise and mitigate any disturbance caused by human intrusion.
- \* To assist in and facilitate the implementation of any provisions restricting the use and management of the land that are set out in a recovery plan or threat abatement plan prepared under the Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995 or the Fisheries Management Act 1994.

The core objectives for management of community land categorised as a <u>sportsground</u> are:

- \* To encourage, promote and facilitate recreational pursuits in the community involving organised and informal sporting activities and games.
- \* To ensure that such activities are managed having regard to any adverse impact on nearby residences.

The core objectives for management of community land categorised as <u>bushland</u> are:

- \* To ensure the ongoing ecological viability of the land by protecting the ecological biodiversity and habitat values of the land, the flora and fauna (including invertebrates, fungi and micro-organisms) of the land and other ecological values of the land.
- \* To protect the aesthetic, heritage, recreational, educational and scientific values of the land.
- \* To promote the management of the land in a manner that protects and enhances the values and quality of the land and facilitates public enjoyment of the land, and to implement measures directed to minimising or mitigating any disturbance caused by human intrusion.
- \* To restore degraded bushland.
- \* To protect existing landforms such as natural drainage lines, watercourses and foreshores.
- \* To retain bushland in parcels of a size and configuration that will enable the existing plant and animal communities to survive in the long term.
- \* To protect bushland as a natural stabiliser of the soil surface.

The general objectives of the plan are:

- \* To ensure that the Act is complied with in relation to preparation of Plans of Management.
- \* To inform Council staff and the community of the way the land will be managed.
- \* To progressively improve the values of the land and to minimise the long term cost of maintenance to Council.
- \* To make provision for leases, licences and agreements in respect of the land.
- \* To identify and recognise existing uses and improvements on the land.
- \* To provide a reference and data bank in relation to information relevant to present and future management of the land.
- \* To set in place an administrative structure to ensure the achievement of land management objectives.
- \* To identify the major management issues applying to the land.
- \* To simplify the process of management as far as possible.

# **SECTION 2 - BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

#### **RESOURCE DATA**

# 1 History

Bill Sohier Park was acquired by Council in 1957, from the Ourimbah Sports Club. It was originally named in 1964 to honour Mr W J Sohier, the then President of Ourimbah Sports Club for his dedicated efforts and voluntary work of nearly 60 years to establish a sportsground in Ourimbah. Mr Sohier had offered voluntary support in this regard until his death in 1971. Further, Mr Sohier was a member of a Committee that was formed in 1908 with the purpose of establishing a sportsground in Ourimbah.

The park was renamed Bill Sohier Park on November 17 1995 to commemorate Mr W J Sohier and to avoid ambiguity over the origin of the naming of the park. It is further intended to increase public awareness of Ourimbah's local history.

The grandstand was officially opened in November 1964.

Council File No: R50/OU03011.

#### 2 Current Uses

The current uses of the land are as follows:

- \* Tennis courts (6 all weather).
- \* 2 ovals used for rugby league, cricket, softball and school sport (one with well defined edge cricket boundary).
- \* Cricket practice nets with synthetic pitch.
- \* Unstructured recreation.
- Carparking.

Details of facilities and users are recorded by Council.

# **3 Future Uses**

The anticipated future uses of the parks are as follows:

- \* All current use.
- \* Combined community and club use of proposed building.
- Picnic area.

- \* Playground.
- \* Informal recreation at regenerated natural area/creek.

# 4 Maps

A map illustrating location and facilities and the master plan are attached to this plan.

# 5 Vegetation

Some remnant vegetation exists to the east of the tennis courts and on the north-west of the vacant area. Most of this has been invaded by weeds such as small leaved privet (<u>Ligustrum sinense</u>), camphor laurel (<u>Cinnamomum camphora</u>), wandering jew (<u>Tradescantia albiflora</u>) and morning glory (<u>Ipomea indica</u>).

The original vegetation would have been Gallery Rainforest (Qa5 - Closed forest with emergents). Individual Eucalyptus punctata and E. salina are present, as is Acacia prominens.

# 6 Geology/Soil Conditions

Soil landscape maps indicate that the geology comprises Quaternary alluvium sediments of gravel, sand, silt and clay. The soils are generally 10-30cm of brown pedal loam, which is often hardsetting, overlying more than 200cm of mottled brown pedal clay. The boundary between the soil materials is clear and the total soil depth is generally more than 300cm. Occasionally more than 200cm of brown pedal loam occurs as both topsoil and subsoil. Soil pH ranges from moderately acid 4.5 to slightly acid 6.5. Soil limitations include localised flooding, foundation hazard, seasonal waterlogging, stream bank erosion and low fertility. (Murphy, 1993, Soil Landscapes of the Gosford-Lake Macquarie 1:100,000 Sheet, CALM).

# 7 Buildings

- \* 1 grandstand with viewing room and change room facilities at rear with store room.
- \* 1 kiosk block (oval).
- \* 1 public toilet block (male/female).
- \* 1 canteen (tennis courts).
- \* 2 tennis shelters with one bench in each.
- \* 1 rectangular shed with dividing wall, 2 wooden benches aligned along internal wall and 2 tables inside the structure.

# **8 Utility Services**

- \* Electricity.
- \* Telephone.
- \* Water.
- \* Sewer.

# 9 Ancillary Improvements

Tennis Courts

- \* 9 lighting towers.
- \* 3 concrete/wooden seats
- \* 2 rubbish bin frames (otto bins).
- \* 2 wooden picnic tables.
- \* 1 children's spring rocking horse.
- \* 1 steel bin frame.

#### **Ovals**

- \* 4 cricket practice nets with synthetic pitch.
- \* 1 drinking fountain.
- \* 1 steel framed scoreboard.
- 5 lighting towers.

# 10 Parking Facilities

The carpark is located south of oval No 2. It is bitumen and accommodates 69 cars.

# 11 Signage

Two signs exist. One is on Brush Road, the other at the carpark entrance off Bill Sohier Street. Both signs say "Bill Sohier Park". This will be changed to "Bill Sohier Park" in accordance with Council Minute 95/101 (File: R50/OU03011).

# 12 Heritage Significance/Archaeological Sites

No known significance.

# 13 Environmental Quality

No environmental monitoring has been undertaken. The natural vegetation is in a poor condition. The site functions as a storage capacity in flood events.

# 14 Survey of Demand or Use

Not known although a record is kept of all users.

#### SIGNIFICANCE AND VALUE

A reserve in the town of Ourimbah, Bill Sohier Park is centrally located with developed facilities and established usage. The site has provision for tennis, rugby and cricket. The site also contains degraded natural areas which, once regenerated will provide valuable habitat for wildlife.

#### **DEVELOPMENT CONCEPTS**

A master plan for Bill Sohier Park has been prepared in accordance with the parameters set by the Plan of Management. A copy of the plan is attached to this document.

#### LICENCES, LEASES, ETC

No licences or leases currently exist over Bill Sohier Park, however, a Deed of Trust to use the land by the public of Ourimbah and sports clubs exists over Lot 5 DP 3868 (Oval No 2).

# **DETAILS OF ADJOINING LAND**

Adjoining land to the west and north is zoned 5(a) Special Uses zone and 4(b) Light Industrial zone. Land to the east, south and a small western section is zoned 1(c) Rural Holding zone. The surrounding land is used for light industry, rural holdings and the Ourimbah University Campus.

#### **ROLE OF OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES**

No other government agency is known to have an interest in the use of this land.

Table 2

Description	Condition of the Land and of any Buildings of other Improvements on the Land	Use of the Land and any such Buildings or Improvements	Purposes for which the Land and any such Buildings or Improvements, will be Permitted to be Used	Purposes for which any Further Development of the Land will be Permitted, Whether Under Lease or Licence or Otherwise	Scale and Intensity of any such Permitted Use or Development
Buildings					
Grandstand	Needs painting	Recreation	Recreation	Recreation	See master plan
Kiosk Block	Well maintained	Recreation	Recreation	Recreation	See master plan
Public Toilet	Well maintained	Recreation	Recreation	Recreation	See master plan
Canteen	Well maintained	Recreation	Recreation	Recreation	See master plan
Tennis Shelters (2)	Needs painting	Recreation	Recreation	Recreation	See master plan
Rectangular Shed	Well maintained	Recreation	Recreation	Recreation	See master plan
Ancillary					
Tennis Courts (6)	Well maintained	Recreation	Recreation	Recreation	See master plan
Ovals	Well maintained	Recreation	Recreation	Recreation	See master plan
Lighting Towers (14)	Satisfactory	Recreation	Recreation	Recreation	See master plan
Seats (3)	Needs painting	Recreation	Recreation	Recreation	See master plan
Rubbish Bin Frames (3)	Well maintained	Recreation	Recreation	Recreation	See master plan
Picnic Tables (2)	Needs painting	Recreation	Recreation	Recreation	See master plan
Cricket Nets (4)	Well maintained	Recreation	Recreation	Recreation	See master plan
Cricket Pitch	Satisfactory	Recreation	Recreation	Recreation	See master plan
Drinking Fountain	Satisfactory	Recreation	Recreation	Recreation	See master plan
Scoreboard	Needs painting	Recreation	Recreation	Recreation	See master plan
Carpark	Satisfactory	Recreation	Recreation	Recreation	See master plan

# **SECTION 3 - THE MASTER PLAN**

The major elements of the master plan are listed below:

1 Relocate the No 1 and No 2 Rugby League Playing Fields

Move and regrade the existing rugby league playing fields.

2 Upgrade and Relocate the Sportsground Lighting

Sportsground lighting to be relocated subject to the final alignment of the playing fields.

3 Close Sohier Street

Close Sohier Street and provide a cul-de-sac.

4 New Junior Cricket Ground and Sports Training Area

Construct a new junior cricket ground and sports training area when Sohier Street is closed.

5 New Skate Facility

Provide skate facility with a concrete slab with slider rail, blocks and steps.

6 Construct New Arterial Road

Construct the proposed arterial road connecting Brush Road and Shirley Street.

7 Future Community Facility

Construct a new community facility when the proposed arterial road construction is complete.

8 New Carpark

Construct Stage 1 of proposed carpark area when the new community facility is being constructed.

9 Future oval and Rugby League Field

Provide a new sportsground for cricket and rugby league after the proposed arterial road is constructed.

# 10 New Amenities Building

Provide a new amenities building when the new oval and football field is being constructed

# **FUNDING**

Council's adoption of the plan does not guarantee any budget commitment by Council. Works will occur subject to funds being made available as part of Council's normal budget process.

# **SECTION 4 - MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES**

#### ACCEPTABLE ACTIVITIES AND USES

The following activities and uses are acceptable at Bill Sohier Park:

\* All currently authorised active and passive recreation use.

# MANAGEMENT POLICIES AND GUIDELINES

#### **General Guidelines**

# 1 Commercial Activities (eg. selling food and drinks)

Commercial activities may be carried out on the land to which this plan applies, provided that such use is ancillary to the use of land for a purpose authorised under this plan. The requirements of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 apply regarding development consent.

#### 2 Construction Works and Earthworks

All future construction works are to be carried out in accordance with approved plans (including the master plan) and specifications as adopted by Council.

#### 3 Domestic Pets

Domestic pets may use the land, provided that they are under the control of a responsible person at all time, and do not cause a loss of amenity to other users of the land, except where specifically publicly notified. Dogs must be leashed.

# 4 Drainage (eg. requirements, detention basins)

Drainage works are allowed on the land to which this plan applies. Any works within defined watercourses are to be minimised, and are to comply with any environmental management guidelines adopted by the Council to minimise flow of nutrients and pollutants into watercourses.

# 5 Environment Protection (noise control, dust)

Measures will be taken during any construction or maintenance works on the land to ensure that adequate pollution control guidelines are complied with. Noise from sporting events shall be required to comply with accepted noise pollution control requirements.

#### 6 Fences

Fences may be maintained and shall be in accordance with any standards or guidelines adopted by the Council.

#### 7 Fertilisers and Pesticides

The use of fertilisers and pesticides is permitted on land to which this plan applies, but only where no suitable alternatives exist and a proper environmental assessment demonstrates that no adverse environmental impact is likely to occur.

## 8 Lighting

Adequate lighting shall be provided on the land to ensure public safety.

Floodlighting shall be designed and operated to minimise the glare and spillage of light to adjoining properties. Where possible, floodlighting should comply with AS2560.

## 9 Gardens

Gardens may be constructed and maintained on the land.

## 10 Landscape Design

Landscape design will be in accordance with any design guidelines adopted by the Council.

#### 11 Landscaping and Trees

Landscaping or trees may be planted, removed or replaced. In replacing trees, regard will be had to any adopted policies outlining preferred species and endorsed plans.

# 12 Lease/Licence, Road and Easement Authorisation

This plan authorises the granting of leases and licences or delegation of management of the land for purposes consistent with the goals, issues and objectives included in the plan. Leases and licences may be for periods up to 21 years, subject to the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993.

This plan authorises the granting of easements where the Council decides it is necessary to do so.

#### 13 Litter

Provision shall be made for the provision of litter bins at playing fields and ovals. It is the responsibility of all users to ensure that fields and surrounds are left in a tidy manner after use.

#### 14 Maintenance

Maintenance will match the level and type of use and wherever possible users should be encouraged to help. Areas held under lease, licence or regular occupancy shall be maintained by the responsible occupant.

Existing assets on the land shall be identified and measures taken to maintain them in a satisfactory manner. The Council may make arrangements for community groups to undertake maintenance for specific facilities on the Council's behalf.

# 15 Management Authority

The management authority is the Council. The Council's responsibilities for management of land may be undertaken by a Section 355 Committee, trusteeship or other authorised persons or organisations.

## 16 Outdoor Furniture (seats, bubblers, barbecues, etc.)

Outdoor furniture shall be provided as required and maintained to a safe standard in accordance with an adopted landscape design.

# 17 Play Equipment and Recreation Equipment

Play equipment shall be constructed and maintained in accordance with the relevant Australian Standard, and may be replaced or removed as required.

# 18 Playing Fields and Ovals

\* Mowing

Playing fields and ovals will be mowed in accordance with approved procedure manuals.

\* Line Marking

Line marking may be undertaken, initially by Council then will be the responsibility of users.

Erection of Posts

The erection of posts is allowed by this plan and is the responsibility of Council.

\* Watering

Watering of playing fields and ovals shall be undertaken as required.

\* Wet Weather Use

During periods of wet weather, the Council may restrict use of playing fields and ovals to prevent damage to grass surfaces.

# \* Hours of Operation

The Council may restrict the hours of operation of any playing field at its discretion.

#### 19 Public Access

Public access to any of the land to which this plan applies shall generally not be denied, except where a lease or other formal arrangement applies, provided it is appropriate to achieving the objectives of the plan. Access to the land may be limited by the Council at times where this may interfere with works or may have an adverse effect on the land.

# 20 Public Liability

The Council will maintain public liability insurance for the land to which the plan applies.

# 21 Public Safety

Reasonable measures will be taken by the Council to ensure and maintain the public safety of persons using the land for recreational purposes or other authorised purposes.

#### 22 Public Toilets and Amenities

These shall generally be provided and maintained at all playing fields and ovals.

# 23 Roads and Parking

Roads and parking areas shall be constructed to a safe and all-weather standard.

#### 24 Services and Utilities

Services and utilities (such as water supply, sewerage, electricity supply, gas and telecommunications) may be constructed, maintained or repaired on the land.

#### 25 Signs

Signs may be erected on the land in accordance with the Council's Sign Code and Sign Manual.

# 26 Temporary Uses

The Council may allow temporary use of any of the land to which this plan applies up to a maximum continuous period of one month in any calendar year, provided it is satisfied that the use does not significantly adversely affect the permanent uses of the land. Temporary uses which may be allowed include erection of marquees, fairs, markets, shows, advertising, sporting events, carnivals and similar activities including public entertainment. In allowing such a temporary use, the Council will have regard to the environmental impact of the use, as provided for in the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

# 27 Use and Controls

Facilities will only be provided by Council where a high level of use of the land and need for facilities is demonstrated in accordance with an approved plan prepared by a Landscape Designer with Category 3 eligibility as required by Council's Landscape Policy.

# **SECTION 5 - IMPLEMENTATION**

# HOW TO APPLY THE MANAGEMENT POLICIES AND GUIDELINES

The management policies and guidelines outlined in this plan must be taken into consideration in making decisions on management.

# **ACTION PLAN**

This plan specifies performance targets and priorities for actions to be taken in relation to the land to which the plan applies. As far as possible, the matters specified in the plan will occur. Assessment of the achievement of the objectives of the plan is to be undertaken. A summary of indicators and targets for major objectives is as outlined in the table below:

Objectives and Performance Targets of the Plan with respect to the Land	Means by which the Council proposes to achieve the Plan's Objectives and Performance Targets	Manner in which the Council proposes to assess its Performance with respect to the Plan's Objectives and Performance Targets
Natural Area Objectives		
To conserve biodiversity and maintain ecosystem function in respect of the land, or the feature or habitat in respect of which the land is categorised as a natural area.	Compliance with guidelines of this plan.	Minimal negative feedback received. User satisfaction.
To maintain the land, or that feature or habitat, in its natural state and setting.	Compliance with guidelines of this plan.	Minimal negative feedback received. User satisfaction.
To provide for the restoration and regeneration of the land.	Compliance with guidelines of this plan.	Minimal negative feedback received. User satisfaction.
To provide for community use of and access to the land in such a manner as will minimise and mitigate any disturbance caused by human intrusion.	Compliance with guidelines of this plan.	Minimal negative feedback received. User satisfaction.
To assist in and facilitate the implementation of any provisions restricting the use and management of the land that are set out in a recovery plan or threat abatement plan prepared under the Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995 or the Fisheries Management Act 1994.	Compliance with guidelines of this plan.	Minimal negative feedback received. User satisfaction.

Objectives and Performance Targets of the Plan with respect to the Land	Means by which the Council proposes to achieve the Plan's Objectives and Performance Targets	Manner in which the Council proposes to assess its Performance with respect to the Plan's Objectives and Performance Targets
Sportsground Objectives		
To encourage, promote and facilitate recreational pursuits in the community involving organised and informal sporting activities and games.	The land is developed in accordance with this plan and the master plan.	All works are completed and minimal negative feedback is received.
To ensure that such activities are managed having regard to any adverse impact on nearby residences.	The land is developed in accordance with this plan and the master plan.	All works are completed and minimal negative feedback is received.
Bushland Objectives		
To ensure the ongoing ecological viability of the land by protecting the ecological biodiversity and habitat values of the land, the flora and fauna (including invertebrates, fungi and microorganisms) of the land and other ecological values of the land.	Compliance with guidelines of this plan.	Minimal negative feedback received. User satisfaction.
To protect the aesthetic, heritage, recreational, educational and scientific values of the land.	Compliance with guidelines of this plan.	Minimal negative feedback received. User satisfaction.
To promote the management of the land in a manner that protects and enhances the values and quality of the land and facilitates public enjoyment of the land, and to implement measures directed to minimising or mitigating any disturbance caused by human intrusion.	Compliance with guidelines of this plan.	Minimal negative feedback received. User satisfaction.
To restore degraded bushland.	Compliance with guidelines of this plan.	Minimal negative feedback received. User satisfaction.
To protect existing landforms such as natural drainage lines, watercourses and foreshores.	Compliance with guidelines of this plan.	Minimal negative feedback received. User satisfaction.
To retain bushland in parcels of a size and configuration that will enable the existing plant and animal communities to survive in the long term.	Compliance with guidelines of this plan.	Minimal negative feedback received. User satisfaction.
To protect bushland as a natural stabiliser of the soil surface.	Compliance with guidelines of this plan.	Minimal negative feedback received. User satisfaction.
General Objectives		
To ensure that the Act is complied with in relation to preparation of Plans of Management.	The Plan is prepared in accordance with the Act	The Plan is exhibited and adopted by Council
To inform Council staff and the community of the way the land will be managed.	The Plan is exhibited in accordance with the Act	The Plan is exhibited and adopted by Council
To progressively improve the values of the land and to minimise the long term cost of maintenance to the Council.	Carry out all works identified in the master plan	All works are completed and minimal maintenance of the improvements is required

Objectives and Performance Targets of the Plan with respect to the Land	Means by which the Council proposes to achieve the Plan's Objectives and Performance Targets	Manner in which the Council proposes to assess its Performance with respect to the Plan's Objectives and Performance Targets
To make provision for leases, licences and agreements in respect of the land.	The Plan of Management authorises the provision of leases etc. where appropriate	Any leases are prepared, exhibited and adopted in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act
To identify and recognise existing uses and improvements on the land.	Physical inspection	The Plan is exhibited and adopted by Council
To provide a reference and data bank in relation to information relevant to present and future management of the land.	Physical inspection and file research	The Plan is exhibited and adopted by Council
To set in place an administrative structure to ensure the achievement of land management objectives.	Ensure that all sections of Council are aware of the contents of the Plan	All future works are carried out in accordance with the Plan
To identify the major management issues applying to the land.	Consultation and staff discussions	The Plan is exhibited and adopted by Council
To simplify the process of management as far as possible.	Preparation of the Plan in accordance with the Act	The Plan is exhibited and adopted by Council

# **ADMINISTRATION**

The Council's General Manager is responsible for implementing the provisions of this plan.

The Council's Strategic Planning Division is to be responsible for co-ordinating the planning studies and for reviewing the plan.

# **REVIEW OF PLAN**

The plan may be reviewed if required and the updated plan will be adopted by the Council.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

- Locality plan.
- Existing site plan.
- \* Master plan.

# **REFERENCES**

List of Open Space and Recreation Procedures Manuals

OS&R	001	Reserves Cleaning and Litter Collection
OS&R	002	Amenities Cleaning
OS&R	003	Roadside and Reserves Mowing
OS&R	004	Turf Ovals Mowing and Maintenance
OS&R	005	Boom Mowing
OS&R	006	Parks Maintenance
OS&R	007	Wyong Road Landscape Maintenance
OS&R	008	Foreshore Maintenance and Beach Cleaning





