

Existing Open Spaces Assessment

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5.1 Existing Open Spaces

This chapter assesses the current conditions of the existing open spaces and public car parks within the HACMP boundaries. The assessment criteria include access, permeability aesthetics, amenities, facilities, ecology and maintenance. The assessment encompasses public open spaces and spaces within private land such as the Heidelberg Bowling Club and Our Lady of Mercy College.

Existing Spaces

- 1. Repatriation Hospital
- 2. Ivanhoe Lions Park
- 3. James Reserve
- 4. Melbourne Water Reserve
- 5. Warringal Cemetery
- 6. Powlett Street Reserve
- 7. Burgundy Street Reserve
- 8. Foley Reserve
- 9. Austin Hospital Forecourt
- 10. Heidelberg Bowling Club (West)
- 11. Heidelberg Bowling Club (East)
- 12. Site at Burgundy Street/Stradbroke Ave
- 13. Service Reserve
- 14. Arthur Rylah Institute
- 15. Transport Reserve (North)
- 16. Transport Reserve (South)
- 17. Remembrance Park
- 18. Car Park at Cartmell Street
- 19. Car Park at Hawdon Street/Cape Street
- 20. Heidelberg Primary School
- 21. St John’s Church
- 22. St John’s Primary School
- 23. Our Lady of Mercy College
- 24. Salt Creek Floodplains
- 25. Heidelberg Park
- 26. Yarra Valley Parklands



Figure 41: Existing Open Spaces Map

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5.2 Existing Open Spaces Assessment

Yarra Valley Parklands		<div>Existing Amenities:</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Cycling & walking pathBushland environmentSignificant treesConnection to Yarra River
Area:	2.43 ha	
Typology:	Green Space	
Hierarchy:	Metropolitan Open Space	
Ownership:	State Government	
Access:	Open	
Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Informal and Passive RecreationEnvironmental RecreationPlay	

Heidelberg Park		<div>Existing Amenities:</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Sports fieldCricket netsClub pavilionPicnic tablesBarbecuesLightingPublic toiletBushland environmentSeatingFormal and informal pathsCar parkSignificant trees
Area:	10.09 ha	
Typology:	Green Space	
Hierarchy:	Regional Open Space	
Ownership:	Banyule City Council	
Access:	Open	
Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Formal and Active RecreationInformal and Passive RecreationEnvironmental RecreationPlay	

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Figure 42: Yarra Valley Parklands

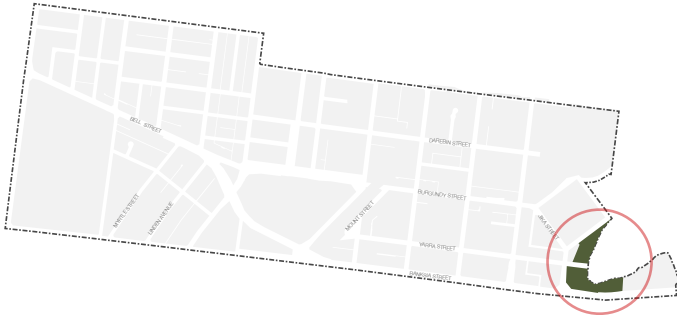
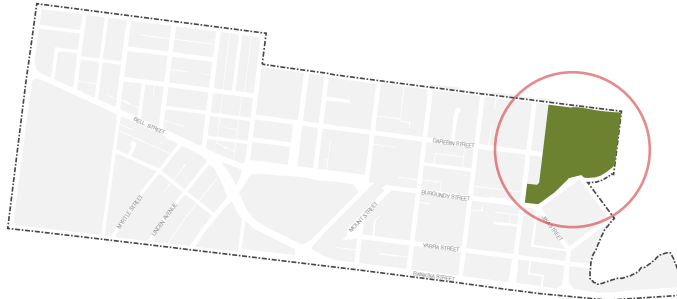


Figure 43: Heidelberg Park



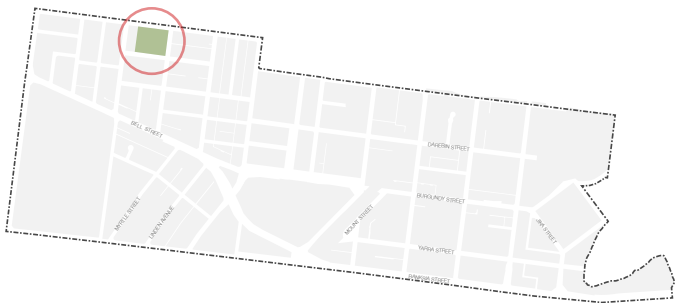
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James Reserve		Existing Amenities:		Transport Reserve (South)		Existing Amenities:	
Area:	1.45 ha		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Playground• Sports field• Sports pavilion• Seating	Area:	0.57 ha		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Formal and informal seating• Kiosk• Picnic tables• Significant trees• Wayfinding signs• (Proximity to retail)
Typology:	Green Space			Typology:	Urban Space		
Hierarchy:	Neighbourhood Open Space			Hierarchy:	Neighbourhood Open Space		
Ownership:	Banyule City Council			Ownership:	Public Authority		
Access:	Open			Access:	Open		
Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Formal and Active Recreation• Informal and Passive Recreation• Play			Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Informal and Passive Recreation		

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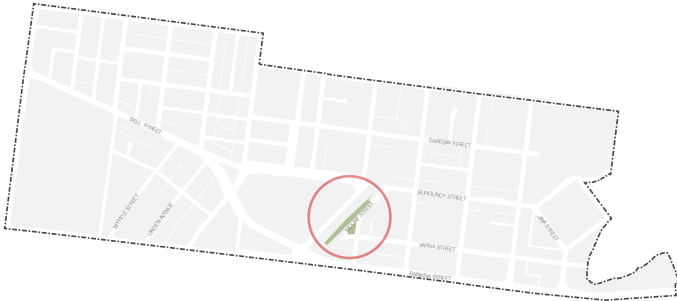
Figure 44: James Reserve



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Figure 45: Transport Reserve (South)



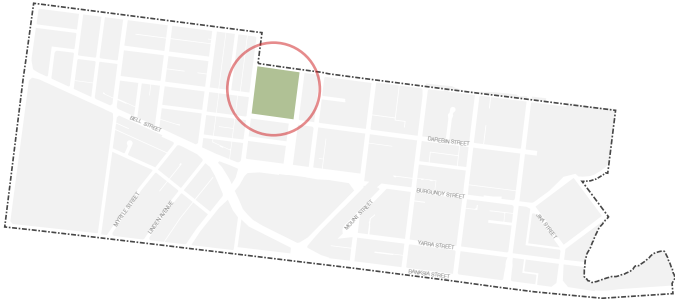
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Warringal Cemetery		<div>Existing Amenities:</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Walking pathSignificant treesThoroughfare	Heidelberg Primary School		<div>Existing Amenities:</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">PlaygroundSports courtsSports fieldSchool facilitiesSeating
Area:	3.66 ha		Area:	1.09 ha	
Typology:	Green Space		Typology:	Semi-Public Space	
Hierarchy:	Neighbourhood Open Space		Hierarchy:	Neighbourhood Open Space	
Ownership:	Public Authority		Ownership:	State Government	
Access:	Open		Access:	Restricted	
Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Informal and Passive Recreation		Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Formal and Active RecreationPlay	

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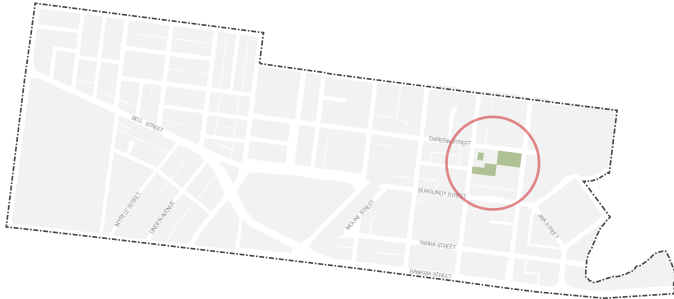
Figure 46: Warringal Cemetery



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Figure 47: Heidelberg Primary School



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St John's Primary School		Existing Amenities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sporting fields• Tennis courts• Seating• School facilities• Playground• Significant trees
Area:	0.54 ha		
Typology:	Semi-Public Space		
Hierarchy:	Neighbourhood Open Space		
Ownership:	Private		
Access:	Restricted		
Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Formal and Active Recreation• Play		

Our Lady of Mercy College		Existing Amenities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Playground• Significant trees• School facilities• Seating• Sporting fields
Area:	1.04 ha		
Typology:	Semi-Public Space		
Hierarchy:	Neighbourhood Open Space		
Ownership:	State Government		
Access:	Controlled		
Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Formal and Active Recreation• Play		

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Figure 48: St John's Primary School

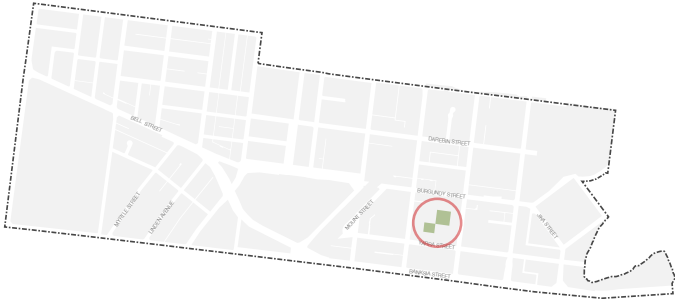
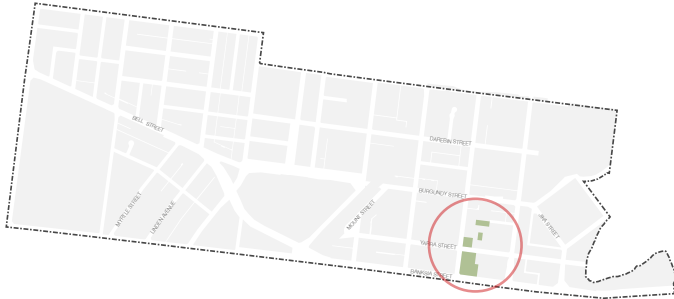


Figure 49: Our Lady of Mercy College



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Heidelberg Bowling Club (West Lawn)	
Area:	0.33 ha
Typology:	Semi-Public Space
Hierarchy:	Neighbourhood Open Space
Ownership:	Private
Access:	Restricted
Activities:	<div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Formal and Active RecreationPlay</div>

Existing Amenities:	<div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Bowling greenSeating</div>
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Heidelberg Bowling Club (East Lawn)	
Area:	0.42 ha
Typology:	Semi-Public Space
Hierarchy:	Neighbourhood Open Space
Ownership:	Private
Access:	Restricted
Activities:	<div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Formal and Active RecreationPlay</div>

Existing Amenities:	<div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Bowling greenPrivate car parkingSeatingSports pavillion</div>
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Figure 50: Heidelberg Bowling Club (West Lawn)

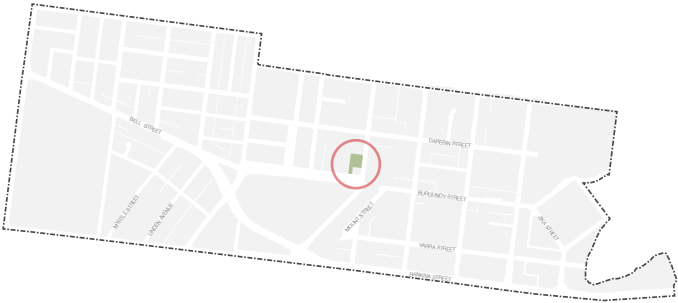
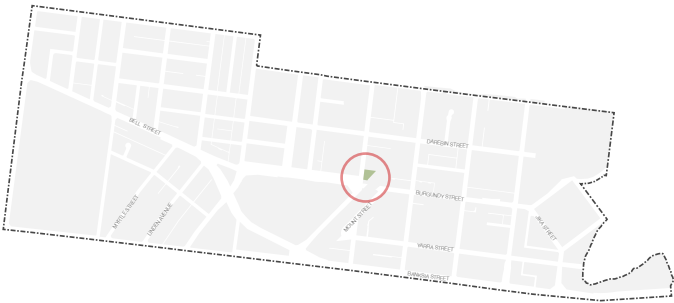


Figure 51: Heidelberg Bowling Club (East Lawn)



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Hawdon Street/Cape Street Car Park	
Area:	0.37 ha
Typology:	Urban Space
Hierarchy:	Neighbourhood Open Space
Ownership:	Banyule City Council
Access:	Open
Activities:	<div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Car Park</div>

Existing Amenities:	<div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Walking pathThoroughfareCar parking</div>
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Car Park at Cartmell Street	
Area:	0.33 ha
Typology:	Urban Space
Hierarchy:	Neighbourhood Open Space
Ownership:	Banyule City Council
Access:	Open
Activities:	<div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Car Park</div>

Existing Amenities:	<div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Car park</div>
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Figure 52: Hawdon Street/Cape Street Car Park

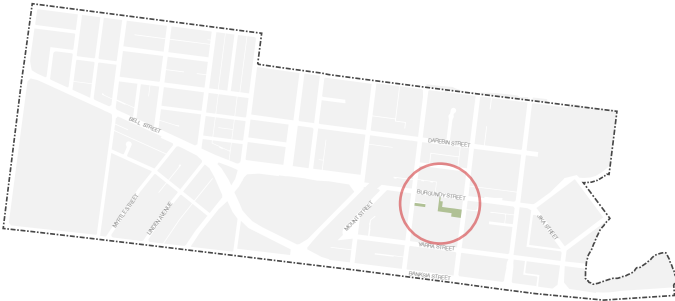
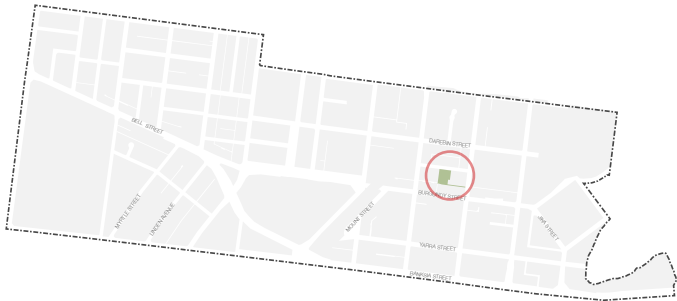


Figure 53: Car Park at Cartmell Street



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Remembrance Park		Existing Amenities:		Service Reserve		Existing Amenities:	
Area:	1.82 ha		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Walking pathSeatingThoroughfareSignificant treesPondInformation boards	Area:	0.86 ha		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Walking pathThoroughfareSignificant treesSeating
Typology:	Green Space			Typology:	Green Space		
Hierarchy:	Neighbourhood Open Space			Hierarchy:	Local Open Space		
Ownership:	Banyule City Council			Ownership:	Banyule City Council		
Access:	Open			Access:	Open		
Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Informal and Passive RecreationPlay			Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Informal and Passive Recreation		

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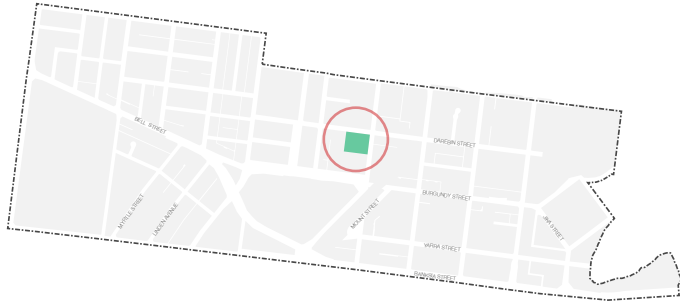
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Figure 55: Remembrance Park



Figure 54: Service Reserve



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Transport Reserve (North)		<div>Existing Amenities:</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Walking pathThoroughfareSignificant trees	Burgundy and Powlett Street Reserves		<div>Existing Amenities:</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Walking pathThoroughfareSignificant treesSeating
Area:	0.43 ha		Area:	1.40 ha	
Typology:	Open Space		Typology:	Green Space	
Hierarchy:	Local Open Space		Hierarchy:	Local Open Space	
Ownership:	Public Authority		Ownership:	Public Authority	
Access:	Open		Access:	Open	
Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Informal and Passive Recreation		Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Informal and Passive RecreationPlay	

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Figure 56: Transport Reserve (North)

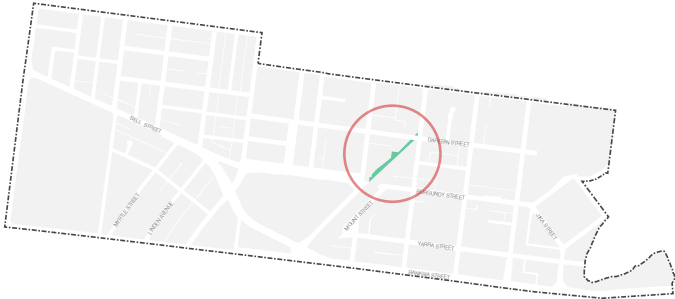
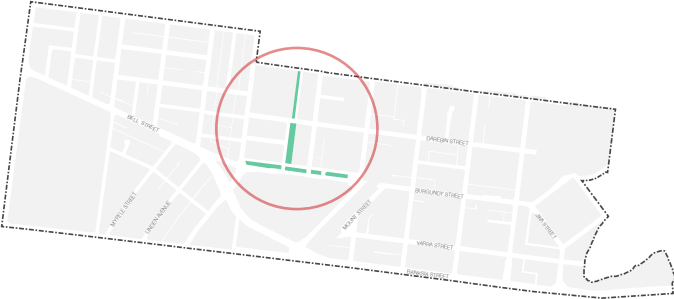


Figure 57: Burgundy and Powlett Street Reserves



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Repatriation Hospital		Existing Amenities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Car park• Fields• Seating• Pedestrian paths• Significant trees• Thoroughfare
Area:	5.92 ha		
Typology:	Green Space		
Hierarchy:	Local Open Space		
Ownership:	State Government		
Access:	Restricted		
Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Informal and Passive Recreation		

St John's Church		Existing Amenities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Car park• Seating• Walking paths• Significant trees
Area:	0.09 ha		
Typology:	Green Space		
Hierarchy:	Local Open Space		
Ownership:	Public Authority		
Access:	Open		
Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Informal and Passive Recreation		

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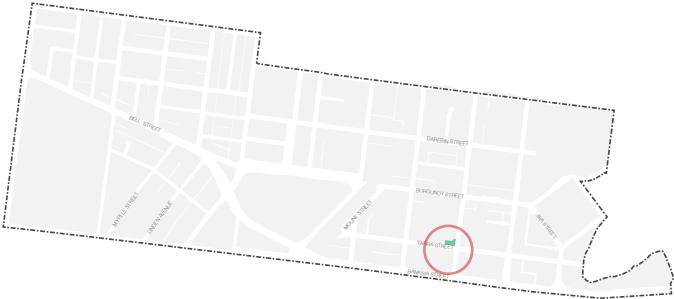
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Figure 58: Repatriation Hospital



Figure 59: St John's Church



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Arthur Rylah Institute		<div>Existing Amenities:</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Significant trees	Foley Reserve		<div>Existing Amenities:</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Walking pathThoroughfareSeating
Area:	0.40 ha		Area:	0.04 ha	
Typology:	Green Space		Typology:	Green Space	
Hierarchy:	Local Open Space		Hierarchy:	Pocket Park	
Ownership:	State Government		Ownership:	Banyule City Council	
Access:	Open		Access:	Open	
Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Informal and Passive Recreation		Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Informal and Passive Recreation	

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Austin Hospital Forecourt		Existing Amenities:		Melbourne Water Reserve		Existing Amenities:	
Area:	0.06 ha	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Significant treesMonumentInformal seating		Area:	0.09 ha	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Significant treesBasketball courtSeatingPlaygroundPicnic tablesBarbecues	
Typology:	Urban Space			Typology:	Green Space		
Hierarchy:	Pocket Park			Hierarchy:	Pocket Park		
Ownership:	Public Authority			Ownership:	Banyule City Council		
Access:	Open			Access:	Open		
Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Informal and Passive Recreation			Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Informal and Passive Recreation		

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Figure 62: Austin Hospital Forecourt

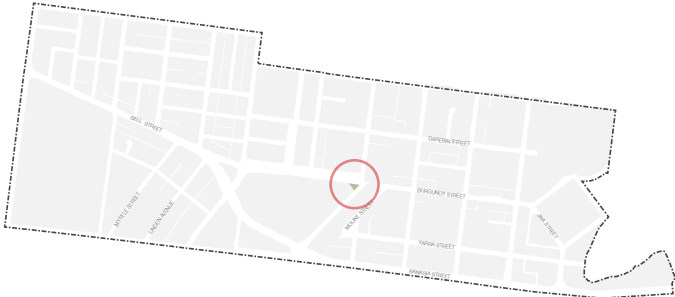
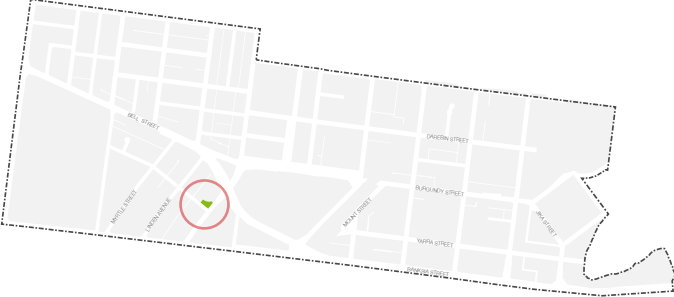


Figure 63: Melbourne Water Reserve



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Ivanhoe Lions Park	
Area:	0.05 ha
Typology:	Green Space
Hierarchy:	Pocket Park
Ownership:	Banyule City Council
Access:	Open
Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Informal and Passive Recreation

Existing Amenities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Pedestrian pathSeatingSignificant trees
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Salt Creek Floodplains	
Area:	0.39 ha
Typology:	Green Space
Hierarchy:	Pocket Park
Ownership:	State Government
Access:	Closed
Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No activities

Existing Amenities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Inundation pathwayBushland environmentSignificant trees
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Figure 64: Ivanhoe Lions Park

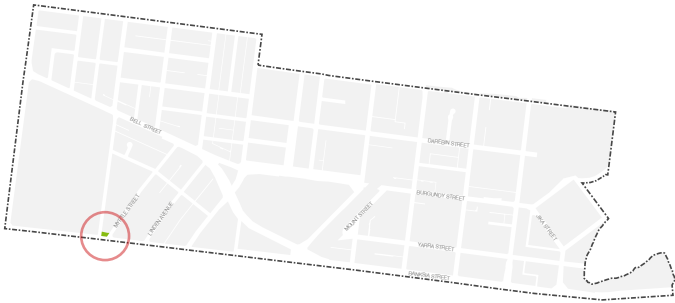
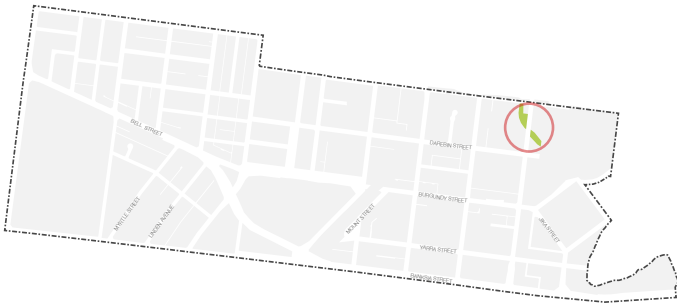


Figure 65: Salt Creek Flood Planes



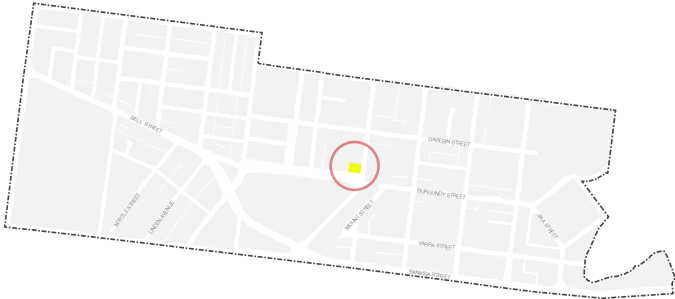
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Site at Burgundy Street/Stradbroke Ave		Existing Amenities:
Area:	1.12 ha	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Significant trees
Typology:	Vacant Land	
Hierarchy:	Vacant Land	
Ownership:	Banyule City Council	
Access:	Closed	
Activities:	-	

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Figure 66: Site at Burgundy Street/Stradbroke Ave



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Vision

The Heidelberg Activity Centre and Medical Precinct offers a unique opportunity to support the sustainable growth of the Heidelberg community, delivering a state-of-the-art public open space network that encourages social interaction, recreation and healthy living and celebrates existing biodiversity and the diversity of the community.

Highly-permeable networks of streets, paths and public spaces will prioritise the safe and convenient movement of people within and around the Precinct. Mixed-use development will contribute positively to the character and amenity of the site, while new and existing public spaces will provide a diverse range of areas for community recreation and for community gatherings and connections.



Figure 67: Illustrative images