Wyndham City Council Landscape Subdivisions



Information Sheet: District Park

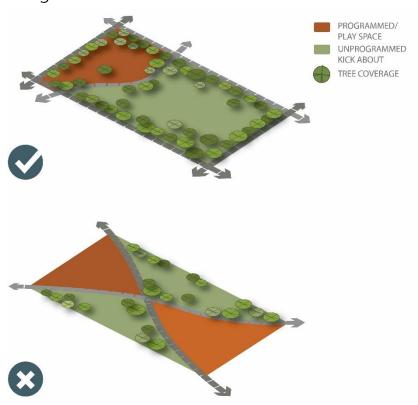
Purpose:

District Parks are a larger form of open space that have an area of 10,000 – 25,000 m², serving a broader 1km radius catchment and catering to multiple adjacent neighbourhoods. District Parks allow for informal active sport and passive recreation opportunities that are not provided for in the nearby Local Reserves. Due to their larger catchment and expected longer duration visits, it is important design is thoughtfully considered and reflects the requirements of district level use.

Objectives

- Ensure District Parks provide for informal active recreation and passive play opportunities.
- To avoid the over design and embellishment of District Reserves.

Diagrams



- Pathways to the peripheries so as not to divide the reserve
- Programming clustered to one end of the reserve as to not divide the open space
- Limited play and programming
- High tree canopy coverage
- Pathways and programming dissecting and dividing flexible open space
- Over provision of programmed play and hardscape
- Lack of tree canopy coverage, particularly to hardscape/ play areas

Guidelines

- Pathways should be limited to the perimeters of the park and must not dissect or reduce flexible open space.
- Programmed space of no more than 30% of the reserve should be clustered and located to one end of the reserve to allow for a large amount of unprogrammed, flexible space.
- Unprogrammed, flexible space must equate to no less than 70% of the reserve.
- Shade trees should ideally provide a total coverage of 30% of the Park.
- Shade from trees or shade structures must be provided to play areas.
- Hardscape and programming must be minimal and consider human scale, as to not dominate the reserve.
- Design materials must be robust and allow for whole of life maintenance and replacement.
- Gradients of turfed areas must not exceed 1:6 to allow for maintenance.
- Gradients of garden beds must not exceed 1:3 to allow for maintenance.
- Some customised furniture and play equipment will be considered but must allow for whole of life maintenance and replacement, to the satisfaction of Council.
- Informal active recreational programming will be considered, subject to Council approval.
- Dog off leash dedicated facilities will be considered with respect to broader context and site constraints, subject to Council approval.

General Requirements

REQUIRED	WILL BE CONSIDERED	NOT PERMITED
 Park name signage Shade trees Shelter Proprietary play equipment Proprietary furniture Turfed kick about space Drinking fountain and dog bowl Toilets Bins 	 Barbeques Incidental skate elements Informal active recreational facilities Dog off leash dedicated facilities Some customised furniture and play equipment 	 Lighting Formalised skate and active recreational facilities Heavily customised items

^{*}Please note 'Will be Considered' column is subject to Council approval.