Blacktown Hospital

Landscape :: Department of Planning Submission



blacktown hospital masterplan





Landscape Design

The Landscape Design of this site aims to address:

- General amenity: the inclusion of new trees and corresponding underplanting, shall greatly enhance the usability of carparks and other open spaces throughout the hospital grounds. New courtyards shall be created to both be used by health workers, patients and visitors.
- Visual amenity; new landscaping; new paving; new furniture etc shall greatly enhance the general external aesthetics throughout the site.
- Ecology / Sustainability; The inclusion of new landscape vegetation generally shall enhance the ecological value of the site. Sustainable materials and low water demanding plants (for example) shall be included within the design where appropriate and possible.

The landscape of the site can be described in several areas:

Courtyards /hospital street

Several courtyards for respite, relaxation and reflection are proposed with the hospital. these courtyards shall function as spaces for staff, patients and visitors. Creating opportunities for users to converse, and also retreat from their usual settings.

Streetscapes/ pedestrian pathways

New roads shall be articulated and complemented with street tree plantings. Pedestrian circulation hierarchy shall be indicated by changes in paving material etc.

Entry area

Entry areas to the hospital shall be enhanced, and highlighted feature landscaping. This shall act as a way of way finding into the site for both vehicles and pedestrians

Carparks

Landscaping within carparks, shall be enhanced by shade trees, and low groundcovers. This shall assist in shading cars from sun in summer, and the use of deciduous trees shall ensure solar access in winter. Trees shall be maintained to have a clear canopy to ensure good safety sightlines.

Boundary plantings

Due to the location of the site (within residential zoning), some periphery areas shall be visually ameliorated by the planting of large shrub/small tree plantings.

Generally Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) shall be incorporated and considered by the landscape/external design



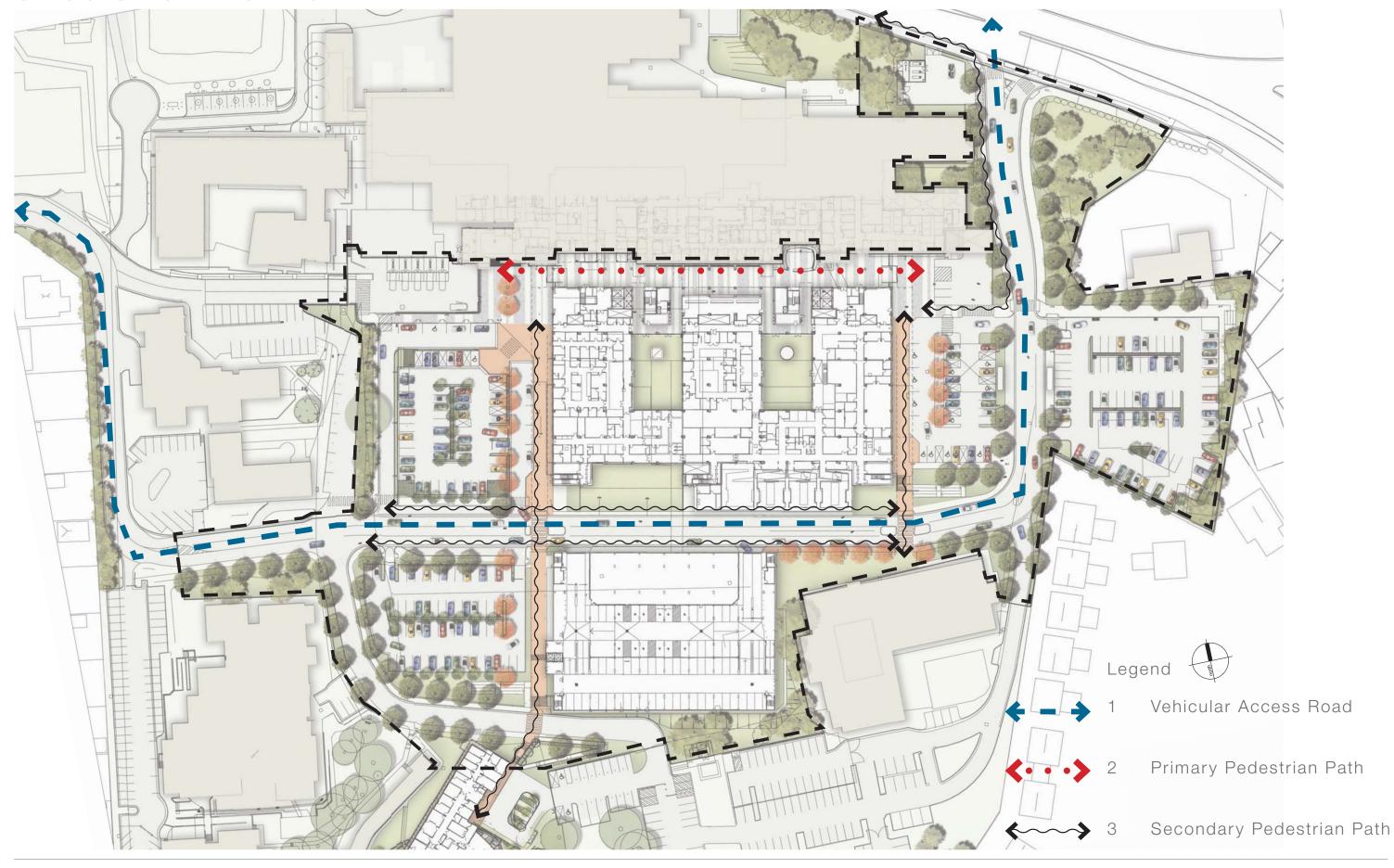
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circulation network





hospital street



1 Shade tolerant / soft leaf indoor plant species. Planting creates backdrop to seating walls and indoor microclimate

2 Large format Granite Pavers run length of hospital street and create visual avenue

3 Groundcovers and grassess to periphery of communal gathering area

4 Architectural furniture to interrupt pedestrian thoroughfare and creates passive areas of respite for public



central courtyard 1

Timber decking bleeds into the landscape with raised seating elements protruding from within. .



central courtyard 2

Oblique landscaped islands create interesting circulation paths and provide private respite areas for seated users. Gravel / pebble edging and pavers create a subtle contrast of materiality.





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entry avenue / buffer planting



- 1 Avenue of trees set back from road and driveways directs movement into the hospital and defines strong entry axis
- 2 Dryland grasses and groundcovers to embankments provide adequate screening and privacy
- 3 Entry Signage / Wayfinding
- 4 Existing Vegetation to be Retained









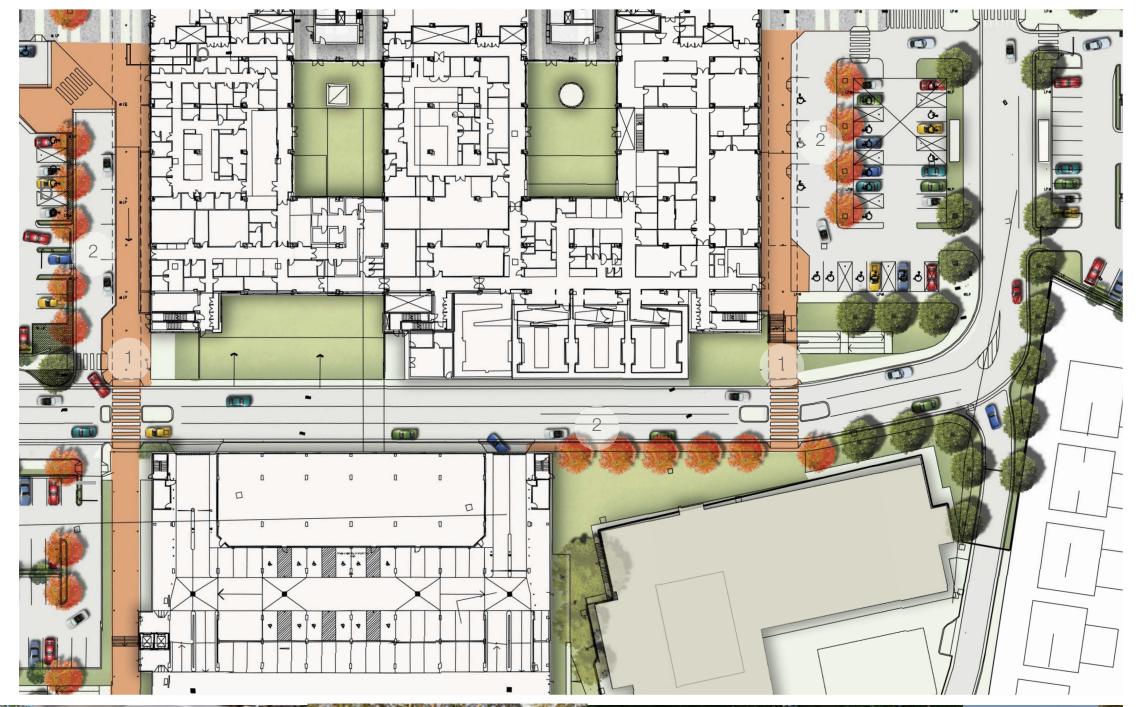




streetscape



- 1 Feature Paving around site creates strong linkages between other hospital amenities
- 2 Streetscape tree planting with deciduous trees that offer seasonal changes, with vibrant colours creating contrast and vitality







car park planting







- 1 Avenue street tree planting directs vehicular / pedestrian movement and visually screens the car park
- 2 Carpark planting flush with paving to allow overland flow and runoff to be collected
- 3 Blocks of low planting articulate pathway edges and offer visual amenity
- 4 Low, formal carpark planting to retain sight lines



tree planting



01. Magnolia grandiflora 'Little Gem' Magnolia Little Gem 6 x 4 Mature Size (h x w)



02. Pyrus calleryana 'Chanticleer' Caller Pear 12 x 4 Mature Size (h x w)



03. Ulmus parvifolia Chinese Elm 13 x 4 Mature Size (h x w)



04. Acer Palmatum Japanese Maple 6 x 3 Mature Size (h x w)



05. Eucalyptus Crebra Narrow-leafed Ironbark 15 x 6 Mature Size (h x w)



06. Tristaniopsis laurina Water Gum 10 x 8 Mature Size (h x w)

shrub / groundcover planting





















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tree removal /protection/ replanting

An arborist report has been completed by 'Abel Ecology'

Despite the finding of 'no significant effect' from the proposed removal of the one remnant tree of the CPW community, replanting with local native tree species is recommended. Ten locally indigenous CPW trees are recommended, in the interests of general wildlife amenity and aesthetics in future landscaping, to be planted to offset the one remnant *Eucalyptus crebra* to be removed.

These replacement trees shall be placed in boundary/ and bulk landscaping areas.

maintenance

A regular and on going maintenance schedule for landscape works shall be implemented

The landscape maintenance works shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Replacing failed plants,
- Pruning,
- Insect and pest control,
- Fertilising,
- Maintaining mulch,
- Mowing,
- Watering
- Maintaining paved areas, decomposed granite and river rock areas
- Rubbish removal

