Landscape Design

LANDSCAPING STRATEGY

The site is characterised by a combination of natural and man-made landscape environments, with both short and long-range outlooks across the site. This juxtaposition of environments is considered an asset, with the ability to provide both natural and man-made outdoor learning environments. While the man-made spaces create defined learning and stage-based play opportunities, the natural environment lends itself to natural based play as well as ecological based education. The natural landscape can be broken down into three distinct setting, being:

1. Forest Revegetation Zone (VMZ)
   The objective of this zone is to revegetate and rehabilitate a portion of the site, extending the adjoining revegetation corridor and creating a visual and acoustic buffer to the busy Ocean Drive adjacent to the site.

2. Koala Plan of Management (KPoM)
   The objective of this zone is to enhance and support the VMZ by creating a natural buffer between the VMZ and the school. The revegetation zone comprises Preferred Koala Feed Trees and is integrated with a required bushfire Asset Protection Zone, essentially creating a managed environment that merges the VMZ with the playground.

3. Bio Swale and Basin
   The objective of this zone is to create a natural landscaped element which encourages a more ‘natural’ outdoor play while capturing water that may otherwise flow across the site. This water will feed a bio retention basin and provide an opportunity to re-establish aspects of the historical wetland environment.

Current juvenile forest revegetation and KPoM zone to be adjusted as part of site landscaping works