



District Council of
Loxton Waikerie

COMMUNITY LAND MANAGEMENT PLAN

As per Section 196 of the Local Government Act 1999

Playgrounds and Informal Recreation Areas



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Property Identification

Name of land

1. Anzac Crescent
2. Hilbig Street
3. Kaesler Street
4. Sturt Street
5. Apex Park, Waikerie
6. Jennings Park
7. Alawoona Playground

Location

1. 87 Pt Lot Anzac Crescent, Loxton
2. 24 Hilbig Street, Loxton
3. Lot 103 Drabsch Street, Loxton
4. Lot F Sturt Street, Loxton (closed Road)
5. Lot 501 Peake Terrace, Waikerie
6. Lot 310 Harden Street, Waikerie
7. Lot 36 High Street, Alawoona

Certificate of Title Reference

1. CR5755/628
2. CT1506/80
3. CR6179/603
4. R5961ACF / R5961ACG
5. CR6023/749
6. CR5755/600
7. CR5755/615



Ownership

Minister for Environment and Conservation, District Council of Loxton Waikerie

Land Classification

Community Land

Dedication/Purpose

1. Civic Centre
2. Recreation
3. Community
4. Road Reserve (closed)
5. Recreation
6. Recreation
7. Playground

Purpose for Which the Land is Held

The land is held to provide safe, accessible and welcoming playgrounds and informal recreation areas for public use and enjoyment, supporting children's play, family recreation, social interaction and community wellbeing.



Objectives for the Management of the Land

- Provide safe, functional, accessible and welcoming playgrounds and informal recreation areas for community use and enjoyment.
- Support children's play, informal recreation, social interaction and community wellbeing through the appropriate use of the land and its facilities.
- Maintain playground equipment, surfacing, landscaping, paths, signage and associated infrastructure to an appropriate standard, having regard to available resources, budget and applicable Australian Standards.
- Identify, assess and manage hazards through routine inspections, annual safety audits, responsive maintenance and proportionate risk controls.
- Preserve equitable public access and ensure that activities, permits and short-term licences remain compatible with the land's community purpose and do not unreasonably limit shared use.
- Protect the amenity, environmental values and any heritage values identified on the land, and minimise damage, nuisance and inappropriate use.
- Plan for the sustainable renewal, replacement and improvement of playground assets in response to condition, risk, community needs and Council priorities.
- Encourage responsible use of playgrounds, including reasonable supervision of children and use of equipment for its intended purpose.

Policies and Proposals for Management

Maintenance

Council will maintain playgrounds and informal recreation areas to provide safe, functional and accessible community facilities. Maintenance activities will include routine visual and operational inspections, an annual comprehensive playground safety audit undertaken with reference to the applicable Australian Standards for playground equipment and surfacing, cleaning, litter removal, mowing and landscaping, upkeep of paths and signage, and timely repair or replacement of damaged or worn equipment and infrastructure where budget allows. Reported hazards will be assessed and addressed according to their level of risk, including restricting access where necessary until the hazard is rectified. Users remain responsible for reasonable supervision of children and for using facilities safely and for their intended purpose.

Permitted Uses

- Informal recreation and children's play using equipment and facilities for their intended purpose.
- Family gatherings, picnics and other low-impact community recreation activities.



- Council-approved community events, programs and activities that are compatible with the land's purpose.
- Other lawful activities consistent with public safety, community access, Council policies and the protection of the land and facilities.

Restricted Uses

- Unauthorised motor vehicle access, parking or driving outside designated areas.
- Camping, fires or the use of equipment or materials that create an unacceptable safety or environmental risk, unless expressly authorised by Council.
- Damage, misuse, removal or interference with playground equipment, landscaping, signage or other infrastructure.
- Commercial activities, organised events or exclusive use without prior Council approval or the required permit, licence or other authorisation.
- Consumption of alcohol, smoking or vaping, and the presence of dogs where prohibited by law, Council by-law, signage or other Council direction.
- Any unlawful activity or activity that unreasonably interferes with public access, safety, amenity or the enjoyment of other users.

Leases and Licences

- Playground areas will generally remain free of leases and available for shared community use.
- Council may grant short-term permits or licences to approved businesses, community organisations or event operators where the proposed use is consistent with the purpose of the land and does not unreasonably restrict public access.
- Any permit or licence will be subject to applicable legislation, Council policies, fees, insurance requirements, risk controls, operating conditions and requirements to protect the land, facilities and community amenity.

Preservation of Heritage

- No specific heritage features are currently known to be located within the playground areas covered by this Plan.
- If Aboriginal, archaeological, built or natural heritage values are identified, Council will manage and protect them in accordance with applicable legislation, approvals and professional advice.
- Proposed works will consider potential heritage impacts, and work will cease in the affected area if previously unidentified heritage material is discovered until appropriate advice and approvals are obtained.



Performance Targets

Maintenance	Target	Method of Measurement
Playground safety	Complete one comprehensive safety audit of each playground annually, with reference to applicable Australian Standards.	Annual audit reports, inspection register and recorded follow-up actions.
Routine inspections and hazards	Undertake routine visual and operational inspections in accordance with Council's inspection program and assess reported hazards promptly according to risk.	Completed inspection records, customer requests, risk assessments and hazard response records.
Repairs and asset condition	Prioritise repairs according to risk and maintain equipment, surfacing, paths and signage in a safe, functional condition; restrict access where an unacceptable risk cannot be immediately rectified.	Work orders, completion records, asset condition assessments and closure or isolation records.
Cleanliness, grounds and access	Maintain playgrounds and surrounding grounds in a clean and presentable condition, with litter removed, vegetation managed and access paths kept serviceable.	Maintenance schedules, contractor or staff records, inspection observations and community feedback.

Means for Achieving Objectives and Targets

- Engagement of qualified contractors for grounds and facility maintenance where Council staff are unable.
- Provision of appropriate infrastructure (toilets, water points, signage)
- Allocation of council funds for capital and operational costs within endorsed budgets
- Community engagement and feedback channels



Review and Amendment

This Plan will be reviewed every 5 years or earlier if required due to legislative change or operational need. Public consultation will be undertaken in accordance with Section 197 of the Local Government Act 1999 for significant changes.

Related Legislation and Standards

- Local Government Act 1999
- Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016
- Disability Inclusion Act 2018
- Work, Health and Safety Act 2012
- Environment Protection Act 1988

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