

# Ashfield Aquatic Centre Refurbishment

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**Inner West**

Inner West Council is planning the refurbishment of the much-loved Ashfield Aquatic Centre. Council wants to hear from the community to make sure the works planned for the Centre meet current and future needs of residents and users.

## Background

The Ashfield Aquatic Centre has over 350,000 customers per year. It also hosts a highly successful swim school, which has an average of 15,000 visits per month.

In August 2014, the former Ashfield Council undertook initial community consultation and resolved to fund a \$14 million partial upgrade of the Centre through a special rate variation.

In May 2016 Inner West Council was formed through the amalgamation of Ashfield, Leichhardt and Marrickville Councils. Inner West Council sought tenders for the refurbishment in late 2016 but only received a single tender which was \$6m over the estimated \$20m cost of the project.

## What are the next steps?

Inner West Council remains committed to the project and is reviewing the planning, logistics and budget to ensure that a first class facility can be delivered with the available funding. Council has developed three concept plans for the Centre. Community feedback is invited by 31 May 2017. The plan will be finalised by mid-year. Construction will commence in April 2018 and the refurbished Centre will reopen in time for summer 2019/20. Go to Council's website for updates.

## What will happen in the meantime with the pool?

Ashfield Aquatic Centre will undergo enough maintenance works to remain open and fully operational until the refurbishment commences.

## Have your say

View the three concept plans in this flyer. Then complete a survey to tell Council what features and services are important to you.

**Complete the survey by 5 June 2017 at:**

- [www.yoursayinnerwest.com.au](http://www.yoursayinnerwest.com.au) or
- the Ashfield Aquatic Centre.



本传单包含有关Ashfield水上活动中心的重要信息。欢迎前往水上活动中心查看本传单的简体中文版并填写问卷调查。



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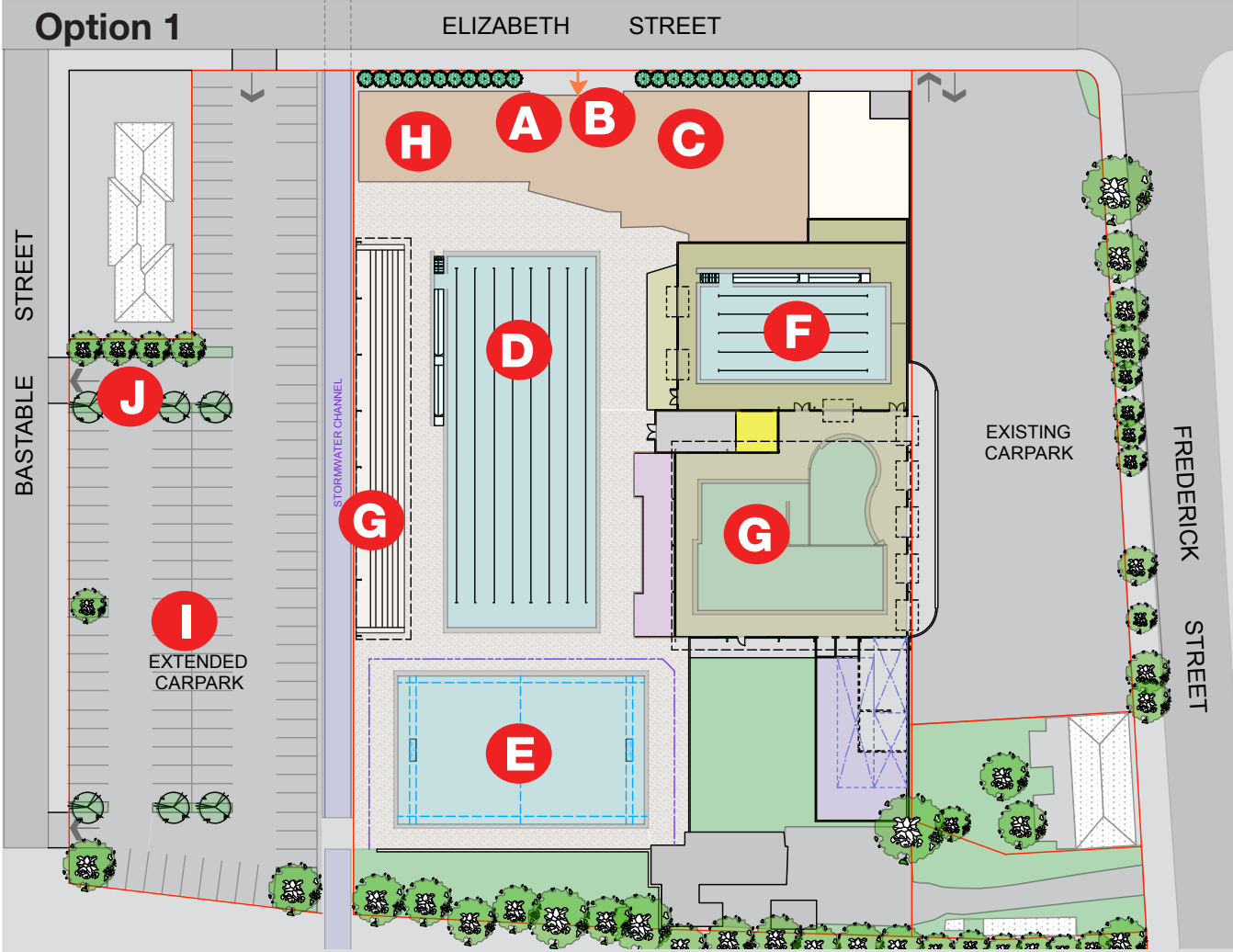


What's the vision for the Centre?

Ashfield Aquatic Centre will provide a beautiful, designed experience for the whole community to enjoy. By providing a contemporary mix of spaces and facilities, the Centre will be the go-to place for the local community. From families relaxing and kids playing to dedicated athletes and locals improving their health and fitness, the Ashfield Aquatic Centre will be a place for wellbeing, belonging and community.

The project objectives are

- create a whole-of-community centre that supports a vibrant community life by providing spaces for social interaction, relaxation and health and fitness
- support diverse health and wellbeing needs from infancy to older years
- accessible / inclusive facility meeting the needs of locals with a range of abilities
- high quality design providing a wonderful architectural and landscape experience, connecting indoors through to outdoors
- well located amenities including family change rooms
- enhanced public domain and improved entrance for ease and efficiency on arrival
- integrated public art contributing to community pride and belonging
- designed with safety in mind
- innovative solutions promoting energy and water efficiency
- affordable for residents and financially sustainable for Council



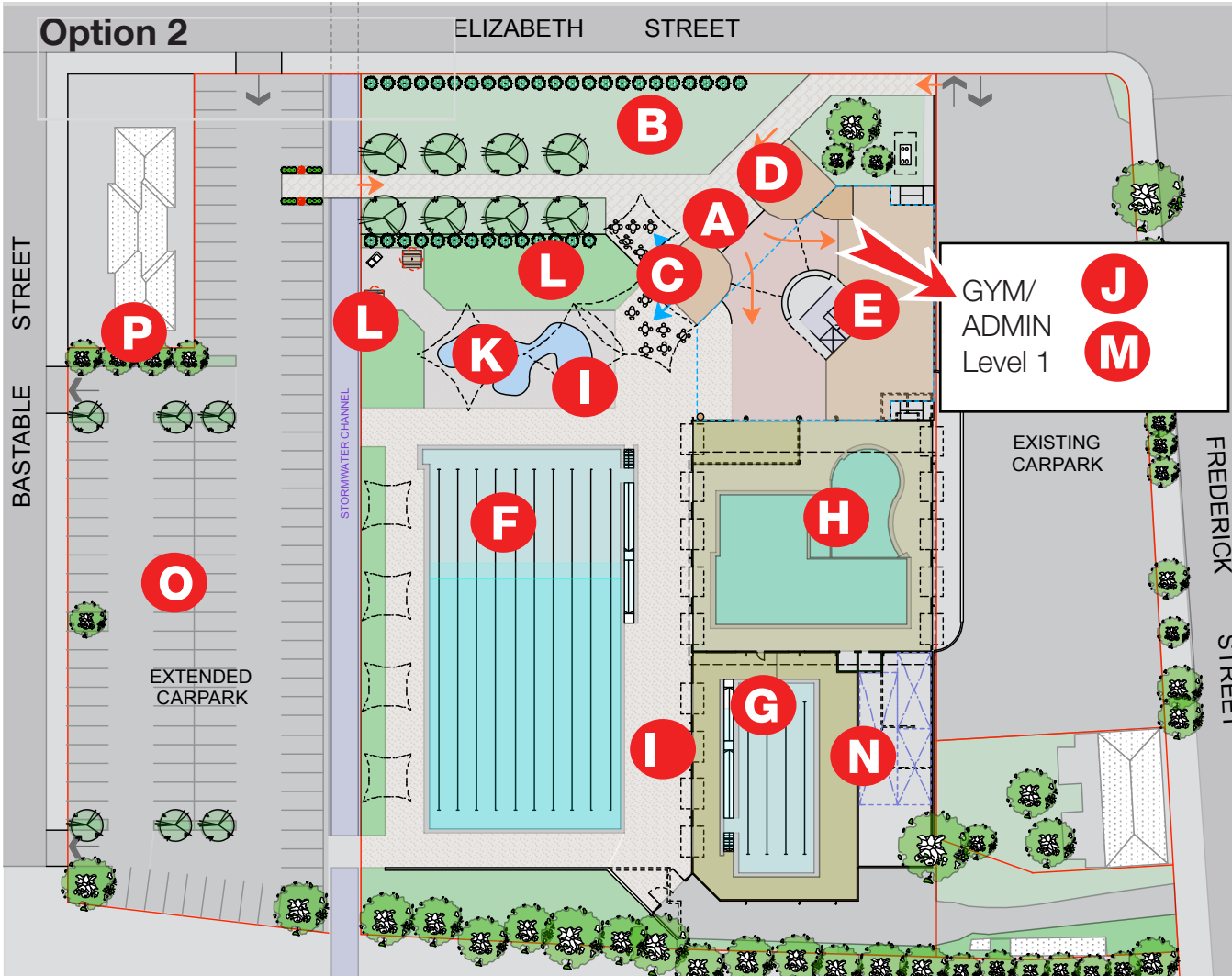
Cost comparison of the three options:

	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Construction	\$26,113,000	\$26,190,000	\$21,763,000
Ongoing cost to Council	\$881,000 per year	\$375,000 per year	\$435,000 per year

Note: the current ongoing cost to Council is \$819,000 per year.

Option 1 features:

- A Refurbished entrance building
- B Refurbished cafe
- C Refurbished change rooms
- D New eight lane 50m pool replacing the existing 50m pool
- E New water polo pool replacing the existing water polo pool
- F New indoor 25m pool and pool hall, adjoining the existing pool hall
- G Existing grandstand and indoor pool hall maintained in current condition
- H Refurbished administration area
- I Additional car parking included
- J Activities in existing community hall transferred to the new crèche and meeting room.

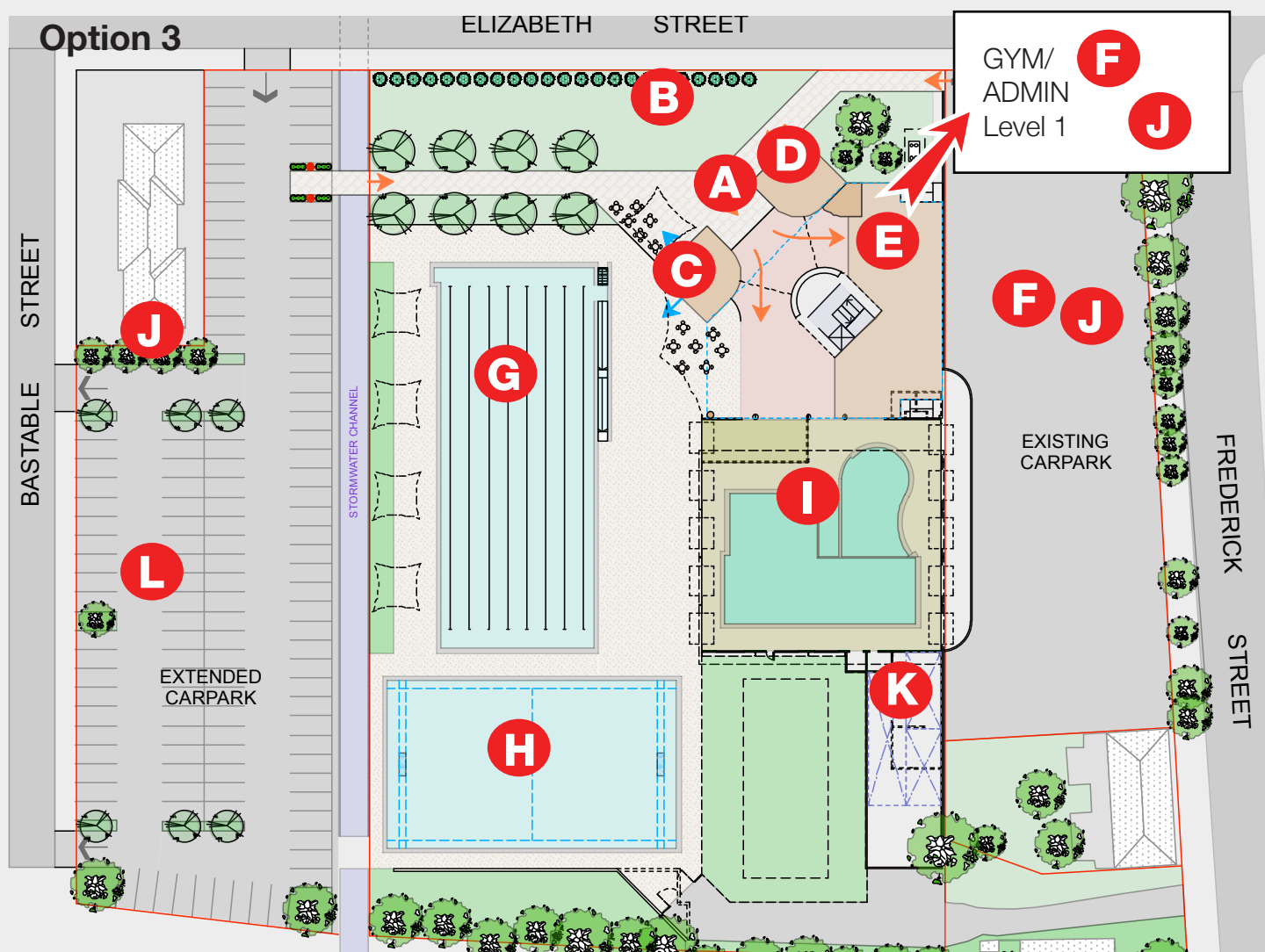


Option 2 features:

- A New entrance building setback from Elizabeth Street
- B New landscaped public area on Elizabeth Street
- C New café serving the Centre and new public area on Elizabeth Street
- D New crèche and meeting room
- E New amenities, including family change rooms
- F Existing 50m and water polo pools replaced with a new 2m deep, 10 lane 50m pool with operable boom gate, suitable for water polo and swimming
- G New indoor 25m pool and pool hall, adjoining the existing pool hall
- H Existing indoor pool hall maintained in current condition
- I Level decks between pools for accessibility
- J New 1,000m2 health and fitness facility, including gym and studios, on level one of the new entrance building
- K New splash pad with shade sails
- L New outdoor green space with shade sails, BBQ area and seating
- M New administration area
- N New plant and equipment
- O Additional car parking included
- P Activities in existing community hall transferred to the new crèche and meeting room.

### Option 3 features:

- A** New entrance building setback from Elizabeth Street
- B** New landscaped public area on Elizabeth Street
- C** New café serving the Centre and new public area on Elizabeth Street
- D** New crèche and meeting room
- E** New amenities, including family change rooms
- F** New 1,000m<sup>2</sup> health and fitness facilities, including gym and studios, on level one of the new entrance building
- G** New eight lane 50m pool replacing the existing 50m pool
- H** New water polo pool replacing the existing water polo pool
- I** Existing indoor pool hall maintained in current condition
- J** New administration area
- K** New plant and equipment
- L** Additional car parking included
- J** Activities in existing community hall transferred to the new crèche and meeting room.



### More information

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For more information, FAQs and to have your say visit

[www.yoursayinnerwest.com.au](http://www.yoursayinnerwest.com.au) or Ashfield Aquatic Centre by 5 June 2017.



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