# Increasing recreation opportunities





#### **Project background**

Council is proposing to create new netball courts and facilities in Richard Murden Reserve, Haberfield to address a need for high quality netball training spaces identified by the former Leichhardt Council.

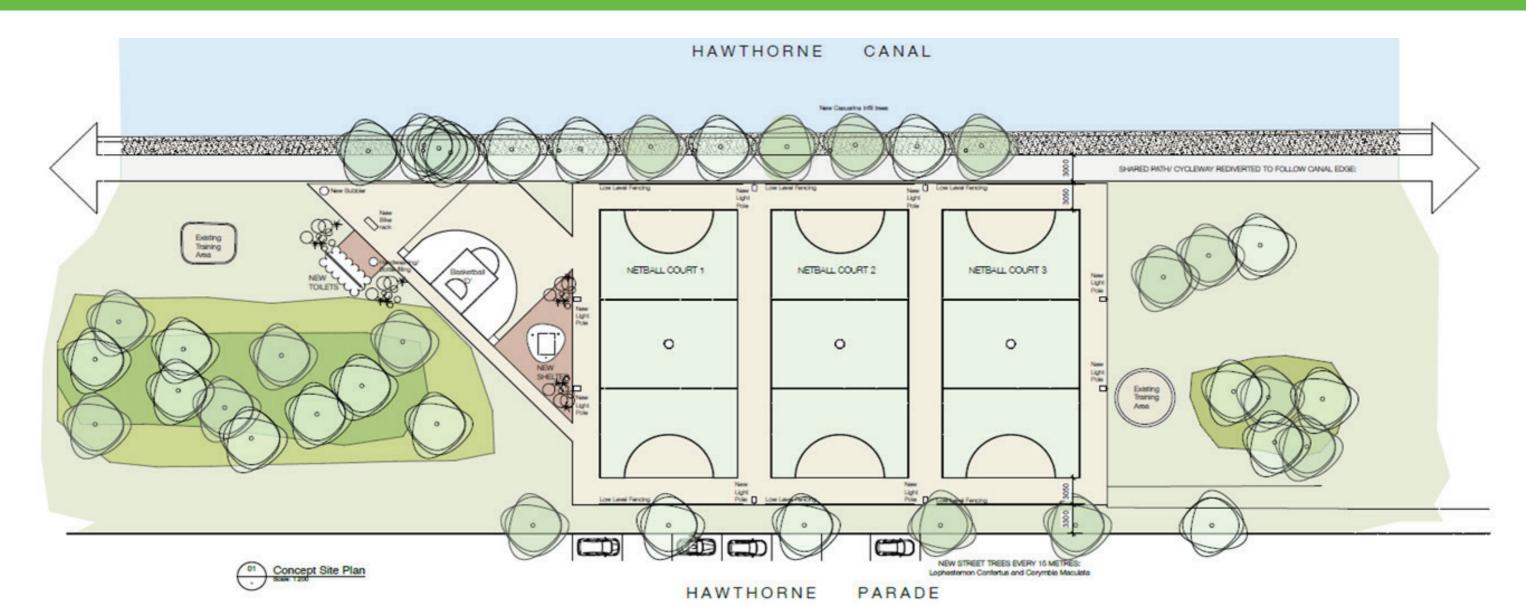
Council previously investigated developing these facilities at Shields Playground in Darley Road, Leichhardt, but this option was not pursued due to extensive community opposition.

Following the Council amalgamations other options for the location of netball facilities were examined across the new Inner West Council area and it was determined that Richard Murden Reserve, Haberfield, was the most suitable site.

Have your say on the proposed location and plan in an online survey at www.yoursayinnerwest.com.au by 25 February 2018.



## Proposed plan for new netball courts and facilities at Richard Murden Reserve, Haberfield



#### Phase 1 proposed plan (expected construction 2018)

- Conversion of existing basketball court to three netball courts\*
- New picnic shelter with table, seating and storage
- New bike racks
- New basketball half court
- New planting and landscaping
- New water refill station/dog water bowl
- New bins
- \* Netball court 3 is subject to funding in 2018/19

- Investigation of parking improvements
- Realign shared path adjacent to Hawthorne Canal
- Removal of existing path
- New fencing (between edge of the courts and the new shared path)
- Removal of one fitness station (to be replaced in Phase 3)

### Phase 2 proposed plan (expected construction 2019 onwards)

- New shared path lighting
- New trees
- New public toilet with solar panel (subject to the outcome of community engagement)
- Relocation of a fitness station as part of the GreenWay Missing Links Master Plan Works.

#### Improving parking

As part of Phase 1, Council will investigate options for improved parking arrangements along Hawthorne Parade. There will be further community engagement on any proposed changes.

#### Access to the courts

The proposed facilities will be hard surface training courts with bookings available during weekday afternoons and evenings. Netball clubs based in the former Leichhardt Local Government Area will be given booking priority as per the Council resolution of 23 August 2016.





#### **Proposed timeline**



Survey open for community comment



a) Report to Council for final decision if necessary

b) Phase 1 detailed design stage

Mid 2018

Phase 1- construction

From 2019

Phase 2 - Design and construction (subject to available funding)

### Proposed location in Richard Murden Reserve, Haberfield



#### Have your say

Have your say on the proposal in a survey at **www.yoursayinnerwest.com.au** or contact Aaron Callaghan, Parks Planning and Engagement Manager, on 9392 5634 to have a paper copy of the survey posted to you.

#### What happens next?

The survey closes on **Sunday 25 February 2018**. Council officers will review all responses and depending on community support for the project will either proceed with the next stages or refer the proposal to Council for a final decision.

#### Stay updated

Register at **www.yoursayinnerwest.com.au** for project news. Council will use signage in the park to update on construction plans. For enquiries: Aaron Callaghan, Parks Planning and Engagement Manager on 9392 5634 or parks@innerwest.nsw.gov.au

