



Willoughby City Council

**AMENDMENT TO:
CHATSWOOD WEST WARD PARKS
PLAN OF MANAGEMENT**

INCORPORATING:

**WHITTON PARK
CHATSWOOD**

Adopted 19 September 2005

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Willoughby City Council

INTRODUCTION

The Local Government Act 1993 as amended (the Act) requires all community land to be subject to a plan of management. Willoughby City Council has 150 open space areas covering approximately 428 hectares.

This Plan pertains to the area of 3 allotments of land located at 17 & 19 Whitton Road and 6 Oliver Road, Chatswood. This land has been acquired by Willoughby City Council for public open space purposes. The park is to be known as 'Whitton Park'.

This plan amends and should be read in conjunction with the Chatswood West Ward Parks Plan of Management (1996),

DESCRIPTION OF LAND

The site consists of an area of land 1500 square metres located at 17 & 19 Whitton Road and 6 Oliver Road, Chatswood.

The land currently contains 2 houses (circa 1940s) with garages (nos 17 & 19 Whitton Rd) and a vacant grassed lot (no6 Oliver Rd). The land contains various trees, shrubs in established garden settings. The land slopes gently to the south west.

THE CATEGORY OF THE LAND

The land is classified **Community Land** under Section 31(2) of the Act, and categorised as “**park**” under Section 36(4) of the Act.

ISSUES PERTINENT TO THE LAND

The issues pertinent to the park have been canvassed in the Chatswood West Ward Parks Plan of Management (1996), and from the resident survey for the Development Application - New Park at Whitton Road, Chatswood.

In summary, the issues relevant are:

- Park names, Signage and Education
- Park Facilities and Furniture
- Playgrounds
- Dogs
- Community Management and Maintenance of Parks

BASIS FOR MANAGEMENT

Core Objectives

In accordance with Section 36(G) of the Act, the core objectives for the management of the park are:

- a) to encourage, promote and facilitate recreational, cultural, social and educational pastimes and activities, and
- b) to provide for passive recreational activities or pastimes and for the casual playing of games, and

- c) to improve the land in such a way as to promote and facilitate its use to achieve the other core objectives for its management.

Other Relevant Objectives

For other relevant objectives pertaining to this park refer to the general objectives for parks listed in Section 6 of the Chatswood West Ward Parks Plan of Management 1996.

PERFORMANCE TARGETS

The performance target of this Plan is:

- To provide a passive recreation park at 17 & 19 Whitton Road and 6 Oliver Road Chatswood to meet the recreational, cultural, social and educational needs of the local population.

MEANS OF ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVES AND PERFORMANCE TARGETS

Council proposes to achieve the objectives and performance targets of the Plan by:

- a) Consulting with the local residents about their recreation, cultural, social and educational needs for the new park.
- b) Preparing a Development Application for a new park.
- c) Providing a budget for the new park development.
- d) Implementing the park improvements as allowed by planning consent.
- e) Consulting with local residents to choose a suitable name for the park.
- f) Providing adequate resources within the Open Space Maintenance budget to maintain the park on a regular basis.

ASSESSMENT

Council will consider whether the new park at 17 & 19 Whitton Road/ 6 Oliver Road, Chatswood is being enjoyed and used by local residents.

REFERENCES

Chatswood West Ward Parks - Plan of Management (1996), P Thyer & Willoughby City Council

Council File P01-0187 – Parks and Reserves -Whitton Road, Chatswood

10 ATTACHMENTS

Landscape Plan for Development Application-Whitton Road Park – dated May 2005 by Landmark Landscape Consultants.