



Brighton East Urban Forest Precinct Plan 2024





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Bayside City Council acknowledges the Bunurong people of the Kulin Nation as the traditional custodians of the lands and waterways in the area now known as Bayside, and pays respect to their elders past, present, and emerging, as well as to all First Nations' communities who significantly contribute to the life of the area.

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Introduction to the Precinct Plans

In December 2019, Bayside City Council declared a climate emergency and has since prepared a *Climate Emergency Action Plan 2020 – 2025*. Climate change is real and without respecting our environment or changing the way we behave as a society, there will be even greater impacts than those already experienced. Expanding Bayside’s urban forest is one way that we can help cool the urban environment in which our residents live.

As an action listed in the *Climate Emergency Action Plan*, the development of the *Bayside Urban Forest Strategy* was undertaken and ultimately adopted at its February 2022 Council Meeting. In addition, Bayside City Council has endorsed *Living Melbourne: Our Metropolitan Urban Forest* in 2019, which sets out regional targets for tree and vegetation canopy cover to be reached by 2030, 2040 and 2050.

The Vision of the *Bayside Urban Forest Strategy* is:

“Bayside’s urban forest will protect and restore ecological systems with special concern for biological diversity and natural processes which will create a cooler and greener Bayside with enhanced amenity and character where people are connected to nature.”

The overarching goal of the *Bayside Urban Forest Strategy* is to increase the urban tree canopy cover from the current 16.01% to 30% by 2040, and to continue this increase into the future.

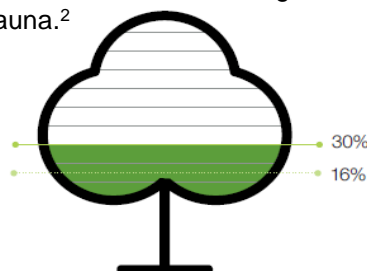
The *Bayside Urban Forest Strategy* identifies a range of actions to be undertaken over the next four years. A key focus is the preparation of Precinct Plans for each suburb in Bayside to guide tree planting and greening at a local level. Precinct Plans are subsidiary documents to the *Bayside Urban Forest Strategy* and form a key component of the strategy’s implementation. Bayside is made up of 9 suburbs and the Urban Forest Precinct Plans will be prepared for each. They will provide tailored direction for increasing canopy cover and urban forest outcomes into the future.

Tree and vegetation (understorey) cover data referenced in these Precinct Plans has been derived from the Victorian Government’s aerial imagery and has been analysed by Council’s GIS (Geographical Information System) to determine an approximate level of tree and vegetation cover per suburb.

What is an urban forest?

The urban forest encompasses all the trees, shrubs, grasslands, other vegetation and the soil and water that support them – within Bayside, on both public and private land. The urban forest incorporates vegetation in streets, parks, gardens, plazas, campuses, river and creek embankments, wetlands, railway corridors, community gardens, home gardens, green walls, balconies, and roofs.¹ Fauna is an important component too, with complex interrelations between animals and plants helping to maintain the urban forest.

Bayside’s urban forest is made up of native, indigenous and exotic trees, shrubs, grasslands and other vegetation, growing on public and private land, and the soil and groundwater that support them. This includes vegetation in parks, reserves, private gardens, along railways, waterways, main roads, and local streets, and on other green infrastructure such as green walls and roofs. The urban forest provides habitat to a wide range of fauna.²



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² Resilient Melbourne, *Living Melbourne Strategy*, 2018, available at: https://resilientmelbourne.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/LivingMelbourne_Strategy_online3.pdf

The Urban Forest Strategy

Principles:

1. Increase

Strategies:

1.1 Consider the individual needs of Bayside's suburbs and ensure that the approach to increasing canopy cover and urban forest outcomes is tailored to the conditions of each area.

1.2 Reframe Council's approach to major capital and infrastructure renewal projects as opportunities to increase urban forest outcomes.

1.3 Through the Bayside Planning Scheme, require development to provide increases to the number of canopy trees provided.

2. Healthier ecosystems

2.1 Increase the tree and vegetation canopy cover that is of a diverse range of species across Bayside.

2.2 Ensure humans and wildlife can simultaneously and safely access densely vegetated areas, streets and reserves.

3. Monitor

3.1 Improve, implement and facilitate Council processes and procedures to assist the monitoring of the urban forest

4. Maintain

4.1 Ensure the tree removal process is transparent and equitable

4.2 Reframe our planning and policy framework to give greater priority to existing trees and vegetation when siting new development and ensuring the longevity of any new trees or vegetation by ensuring it is appropriately sited nearby surrounding hard surfaces or infrastructure.

4.3 Enhance Council's ability to retain existing trees on private property through increased regulation of tree removal.

4.4 Support the maintenance and retention of trees on public land.

5. Learn and Celebrate

5.1 Increase Council's capacity to provide advice and build community sentiment to tree planting in Bayside.

5.2 Continue to build upon Council's green image and utilise this platform to advocate and partner with key stakeholders to provide greener outcomes across Bayside, metropolitan Melbourne and Victoria.

5.3 Leverage from the strengths of our network of volunteers, community groups, State Government departments, neighbouring local governments, academics and professionals to support the delivery of community education, information sharing and creating partnerships.

Key Issues

Environmental challenges

Impact of climate change

All trees, including trees on private property, are being affected by climate change. It is important that Council continues to encourage residents to plant climate-resilient trees and vegetation on their property and nature strips. To support this, the provision of readily accessible information and useful tips on how to best plant these types of trees and vegetation will be of great value. Council will also ensure its species palette for streets and parks include the use of more climate-resilient trees and vegetation.

Tree health, age, Useful Life Expectancy, and species diversity

The Bayside Urban Forest Strategy defines key issues across Bayside's urban forest, including climate change, insufficient growth space and natural characteristics (disease, insects, etc.) being significant contributing factors to the health and sustainability of tree coverage across Bayside. This Precinct Plan identifies locations of trees that are in poor health, are reaching senescence and has low useful life expectancy so that appropriate action can be taken in due time.

Tree survival rate

A high proportion of street and park trees that have been planted have struggled to survive either during or after their initial period of maintenance (first 2 years). Expanding the urban forest and increasing tree canopy coverage will be challenging, especially if high tree attrition continues to occur.

Developmental challenges

Trees on private property

Trees on private property make up a significant proportion of Bayside's urban forest. The removal of trees on private property is a significant and challenging issue to address as the management of private trees, to some extent, falls into the hands of individual property owners. Partnering with the private owners and undertaking a precinct-based approach to the protection, retention and enhancement of the urban forest will allow Council to consider the local opportunities for vegetation and tree plantings, process improvements and other locally specific issues.

Planning permits involving vegetation removal

There are several mechanisms currently in place within the Bayside Planning Scheme that seek to protect vegetation in certain areas of Bayside and require a planning permit to be granted for tree or vegetation removal. These mechanisms include but are not limited to the Vegetation Protection Overlay (VPO), Significant Landscape Overlay (SLO), Heritage Overlay (HO) and Erosion Management Overlay (EMO).

Surrounding infrastructure

Street trees are located alongside public and private assets that include footpaths, roads, fences, overhead powerlines and underground services. This pressure is similarly felt on private property for medium and high density developments where there are competing uses and infrastructure to be sited. While there are management and design techniques that can mitigate most of these issues, it is not always easy, particularly with established trees. Established trees have larger roots that can impact footpaths and roads, creating potential hazards that need to be fixed.

Social challenges

Older people, children, and people with disabilities

More vulnerable members of the community include older people, young children and people with disabilities and their carers. While trees bring many benefits, they can also create challenges. Maintenance of trees can be challenging for older people or people living with disabilities. Particularly large trees that overhang private property or within the property that can become hazardous through debris that create trip and slip risks. Aging and/or disability can prevent some residents from being able to manage the debris from trees, requiring the use of private gardening services. The greening of activity centres can contribute to a healthier and more comfortable place.

Bayside Council's *Disability Action Plan 2021-2025* states that over 14,000 people living in Bayside have a disability and over 4,000 people need assistance in their day-to-day lives. This assistance is required because of disability, long-term health conditions or old age.

Safety

There are a number of elements that contribute to people feeling unsafe, including low visibility and lack of passive surveillance from nearby residents and/or other groups. Within streets, Council plants and maintains trees to ensure there is no foliage to block sight lines. Trees can contribute to this problem if not managed correctly as they have the potential to block visibility from the street.

What will the Precinct Plans achieve?

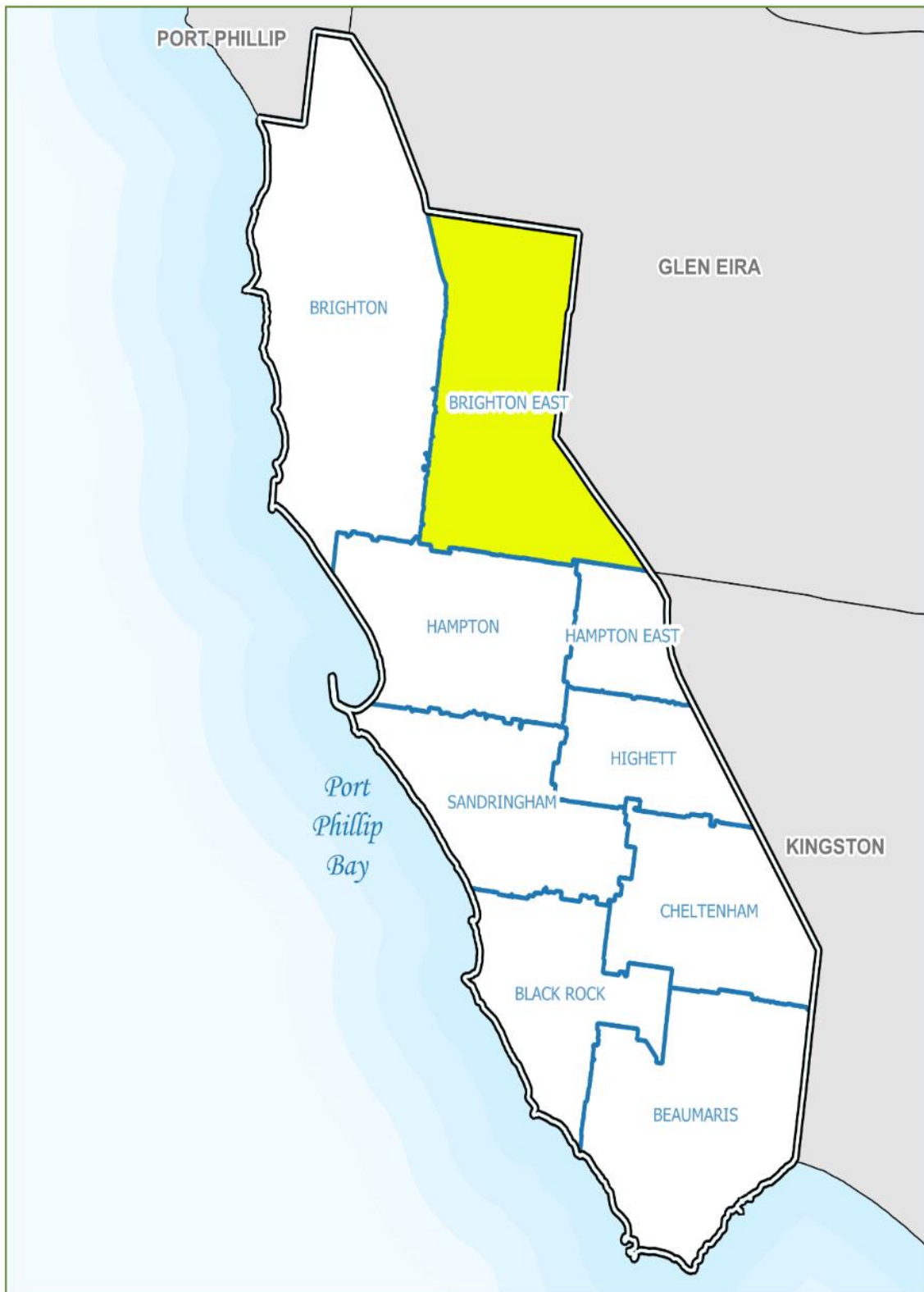
A key action from the Bayside *Urban Forest Strategy* is the preparation of Precinct Plans. Each Precinct Plan will be informed by community consultation and will provide set targets to respond to the individual needs, challenges, and aspirations of the locality.

The Precinct Plans will help guide the implementation of the Bayside *Urban Forest Strategy* in Bayside and direct Council's focus to areas with low vegetation, to protect and enhance neighbourhood character and help achieve the objectives of the Bayside *Urban Forest Strategy*.

The prime objective of the Precinct Plan is to prioritise areas of greatest need, including areas with the lowest existing percentage canopy tree cover, as well as areas that are strategically located to mitigate urban heat island effects (including within major activity centres that are experiencing increased density and construction activity), areas of declining canopy or aging trees, highly trafficked pedestrian routes and gaps or vacancies in public planting.

Within this document, specific direction is provided on the selection of appropriate trees for the precinct. The Precinct Plans are performance-based in that they establish the desired outcomes for streets but do not prescribe specific species for each location. Park and significant boulevard trees will be planted using existing master plans and site- specific plans to respond to the individual needs, challenges, and aspirations of the locality. This document focuses on the suburb of Brighton East.

Map 1: Brighton East's location within Bayside



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Suburb Profile – Brighton East

Information in this Suburb Profile was accessed from Profile.id which utilises 2021 census data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics and population, household, and age structure forecasts.

Population and households

Brighton East is experiencing a steady population growth, having increased by 954 people from 15,513 in 2016 to 16,444 in 2021. The population is forecasted to continue to increase very steadily to 16,580 people (0.69% increase) by 2041. In 2021 the most dominant household type in Brighton East was 'couples with children' which accounted for 35.2% of households.

Age structure

In 2021, the most dominant age service group was 'parents and homebuilders' (19.4%) and is forecasted to continue being the most dominant age group over the next 20 years. By 2041, it is also anticipated that 36.5% of Brighton East residents will be above 60 years of age, which is an increase from current 26.3% (2021). It is expected that older populations will have greater difficulty maintaining gardens and are susceptible to environmental challenges, such as heatwaves and increasing temperatures. As the population ages, the need for greater housing options becomes more prevalent, particularly for lone person households. It is important that housing now and in the future is adaptable for all ages and abilities.

Residential developments

Residential growth within Brighton East is relatively slow. It is forecasted that the number of dwellings in Brighton East will increase by an average of 32 dwellings per annum to 7,006 in 2041. In Brighton East, there is a higher percentage of detached dwellings (70%) in comparison to Bayside (60%) which is likely due to much of the suburb being within in the Neighbourhood Residential Zone, where less intensive dwelling forms are accommodated. Detached dwellings generally allow for greater tree and vegetation cover as they usually occupy less space. As time goes on, there is likelihood of multi-dwelling units will increase within areas appropriate for residential densification, providing for more diverse housing options within the suburb.

While there is no significantly large major activity centre within Brighton East, it is within close proximity to the Martin Street Neighbourhood Activity Centre and the Bay Street Major Activity Centre. Within the suburb, there are several small commercial activity centres:

- Nepean Highway and Centre Road Centre
- Nepean Highway and Milroy Street Centre
- Nepean Highway and Union Street Centre

These activity centres are within close proximity to the recreational reserves and parks within the suburb, specifically Hurlingham Park, Ovals and Tennis Courts and Landcox Park and Playground. The suburb also encompasses the Brighton Golf Course, Dendy Park and recreational courts and ovals as well as the Little Brighton Reserve and playground.

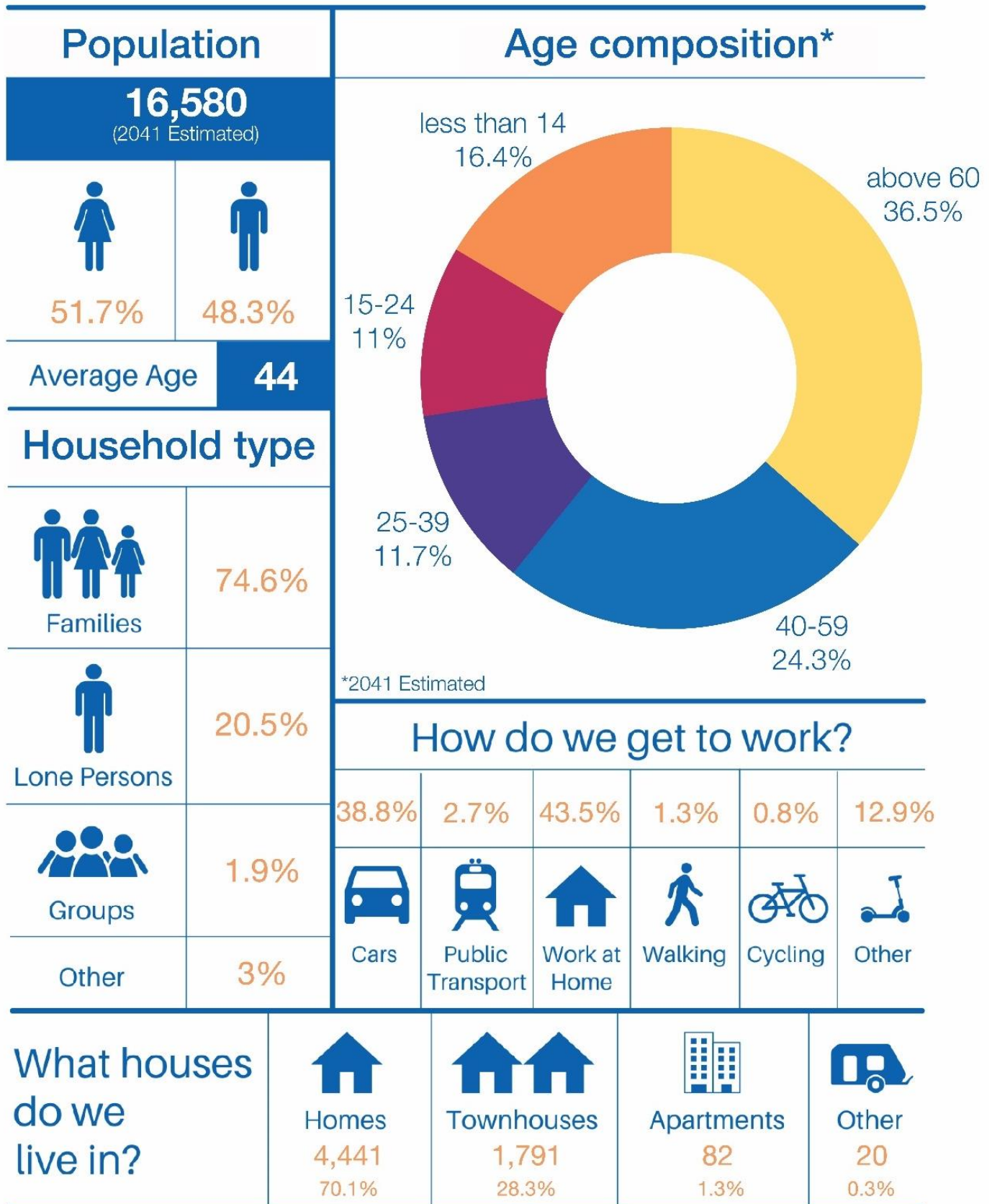
Climate change

The effects of climate change are anticipated to significantly impact tree canopy and vegetation. Due to climate change, there will be an increase in severe weather events including more intense rainfall over summer, leading to more frequent and severe flooding events. Trees can play an important role in mitigating the impacts of a flooding event. The soil under trees and vegetation absorbs water as opposed to urban impervious surfaces where the water just runs (such as pavement and roofs). The leafy canopy of trees also spreads out the rainfall and slows it down. This gives more time for the soil underneath to absorb the rainfall, resulting in less and slower runoff. As a result, the risk of flooding is reduced. When flooding does still occur, the volume and speed of the flood will be reduced. This will also reduce the need for larger stormwater gutters and pipes.

Mode of transport

In 2021, 38.8% of Brighton East residents travelled to work by car compared to 49.7% in Greater Melbourne. Notably, there is no train station within the suburb, with the closest stations being North Brighton (1.65km) and Patterson (2km). Albeit there is a tram route down Hawthorn Road which continues north and intersects with Glen Eira Road and Princess Highway.

Brighton East Forecast for 2041





Note: Brighton East suburb population and age data is a 2023 estimation for 2041, which was retrieved from the Australian Bureau of Statistics. All other data shown was retrieved from profile.id (2021).

Brighton East Forecast for 2041



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-  Bayside LGA Boundary
-  Suburb

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The vision for Brighton East's urban forest:

Brighton East will embrace the suburbs diversity of tree and plant species and create an urban forest for the community to enjoy. The urban forest will highlight the beauty of the extensive park network and tree-lined streetscapes.

Planning controls applying to Brighton East

Residential and Commercial Zones

The majority of Brighton East's residential land is zoned as Neighbourhood Residential Zone (NRZ), which is a planning zone that is applied to areas where there will be minimal residential growth, as seen on Map 2. The NRZ has a maximum building height of two-storeys and where any new development does take place, it is usually alterations or additions to existing dwellings or the construction of a new detached dwelling or dual occupancy in place of the original detached dwelling.

Residential development across the suburb is mostly of low density and in the form of detached dwellings and dual occupancies.

Public Park and Recreation Zone

There is a significant portion of land within Brighton East within Public Park and Recreation Zone (PPRZ). The purpose of the PPRZ is to recognise areas for public recreation and open space and to protect and conserve these areas. Brighton East's open spaces and reserves are highly valued by the local and broader community and are a significant feature within the suburb.

Heritage and Built Form Overlays

There are several Heritage Overlays (HO) and Design & Development Overlays (DDO) upon land within the suburb that shape the way new development is delivered. Heritage Overlays in particular provide for the protection of heritage significant buildings and places.

Neighbourhood Amenity Local Law 2021

Local Laws are laws utilised by Council to respond to issues and community needs within a local context. The *Neighbourhood Amenity Local Law 2021* applies to the Bayside municipality, including trees on private land. The law determines that any tree on private land is protected if the *"single or combined tree trunk circumference is 155 centimetres or more at one metre above ground level."* If a tree is protected it means that a permit must be acquired from council in order to remove or prune it. The same permit requirements apply to any tree on Council's Significant Tree Register.

Landscape Guidelines

A review of Bayside's Landscape Guidelines was adopted in December 2023. The changes have been made in response to the adopted Urban Forest Strategy action which outlines that Council must provide further guidance on species selection, sizes, and trees suitable for private property.

The new landscape guidelines focus on improving the quality of tree plantings through soil type and volume, site characteristics, and correct species selection. This way, it can be ensured that canopy tree plantings that are selected are the largest and most ideal species for its location. This will provide the trees with a better chance of growing to maturity. By focusing on canopy spread, species selection can be refined for better canopy coverage and consideration of a tree's location.

The changes to Bayside's Landscape Guidelines require new development to provide increases to the number of canopy trees and high-quality landscape outcomes. Furthermore, the Species Palette listed in the Appendix 3 to this Precinct Plan has also been utilised as the list of species to encourage selection from when preparing a Landscape Plan.

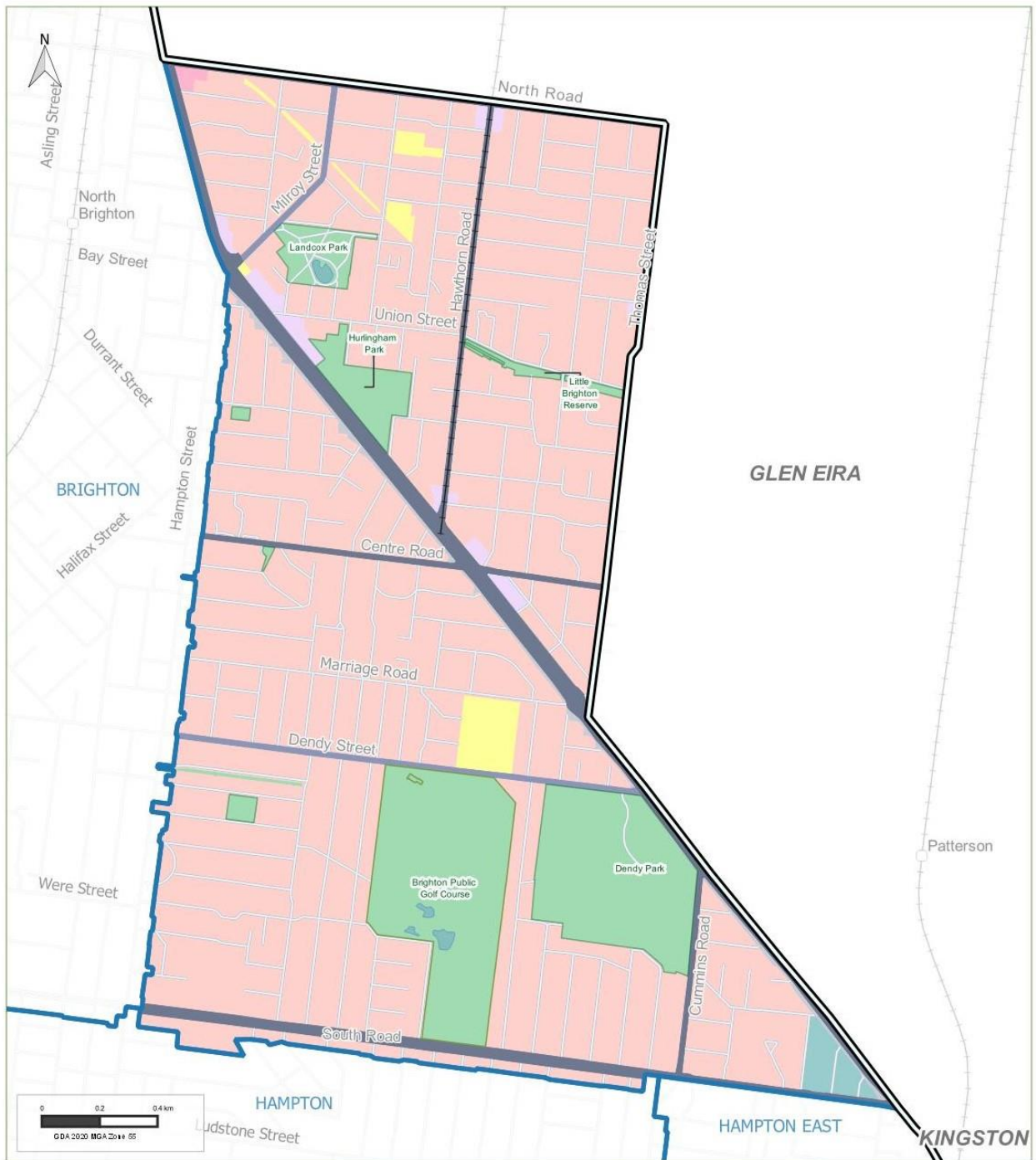
Local Law Review

A key action of the Urban Forest Strategy includes reviewing the Management of Tree Protection on Private Property Policy. An update to the Local Laws Guidelines will protect more trees and strengthen alignment between planning and local law permit applications for tree removal.

The updated Local Law Guidelines will protect more trees by removing some permit assessment considerations, such as consideration for the number of other protected trees on the site, or neighbours support for removal. Trees will also now be assessed for its habitat value to native wildlife.

For tree removal permit applications, special circumstances including medical conditions, disability, access safety or financial hardship will be referred to Council's Community Care unit. The Community Care unit will establish what support may be available to vulnerable resident and whether there is any reasonably practicable way to manage issues directly related to the tree other than removal.

Map 2: Planning Zone Controls in Brighton East



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Planning Zones

- ACZ - Activity Centre Zone
- C1Z - Commercial 1 Zone
- GRZ - General Residential Zone
- NRZ - Neighbourhood Residential Zone
- PPRZ - Public Park and Recreation Zone
- PUZ - Public Use Zone

- TRZ1 - Transport Zone 1 - State Transport Infrastructure
- TRZ2 - Transport Zone 2 - Principal Road Network
- TRZ3 - Transport Zone 3 - Significant Municipal Road

- Bay side LGA Boundary
- Suburb
- Railway
- Roads

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Community Engagement Findings

Community engagement was undertaken for a total of seven weeks from 28 August - 15 October 2023. The community engagement period consisted of pop-up sessions, online survey, presentations to community groups, opportunity to provide written submissions and 1:1 meetings with Council.

Overall, there were a total of 368 contributors from the pop-up events and 111 online survey participants. Of the 111 survey participants, 11(9.91% of the total respondents) were from Brighton East.

Survey participants that live in Brighton East were asked how they feel about the plan overall. Brighton East participants provided the following responses:

- 11.11% loved the plan
- 44.44% liked the plan
- 11.11% though the plan was ok
- 33.33% had some concerns

Table 1: Comments made by survey participants regarding Brighton East

Comments	Number of participants who raised concern
comments expressed concern for removal of existing native vegetation for development	4
Want for increased native and indigenous planting	5
Concern surrounding Eucalypts planted near roads	1

The eight face-to-face engagement sessions were an opportunity for community members to provide feedback on priority planting locations and preferred species. The pop-up events were held at various locations, these included:

- Bayside Community Nursery
- Middle Brighton Baths
- Black Rock Gardens
- Youth FriYay Session
- Bayside Farmer's Market
- Thomas Street Playground
- Bay Road Heathland Reserve
- Bayside Community Nursery -Gala Day

For each pop-up session participants were asked which plants they would love to see more of in their neighbourhood. The sticker boards were separated into three categories these were:

- *Indigenous* – species that were native to Bayside
- *Native* – species that were native to Australia
- *Exotic* – species that have been introduced to Australia

The following images show the indigenous, native and exotic species that Brighton East residents would like to see more of in their neighbourhood.

Top Indigenous Plantings – Brighton East



Disphyma crassifolium ssp
clavellatum (Rounded Noon
Flower)



Solanum aviculare (Kangaroo Apple)



Ozothamnus ferrugineus (Tree
Everlasting)

Top Native Plantings – Brighton East



Grevillea spp. (Grevillea)



Brachychiton populneus
(Kurrajong)



Lophostomen confertus (QLD
Box Brush)

Top Exotic Plantings – Brighton East



Colocasia sp.
(Elephant Ears)



Camellia japonica
(Camelia)

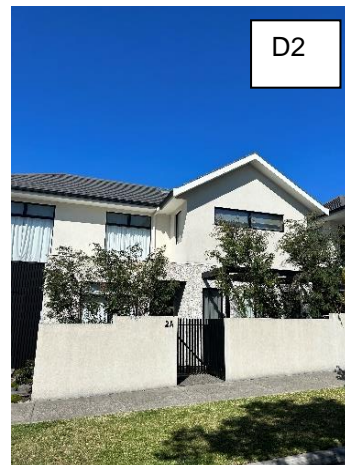
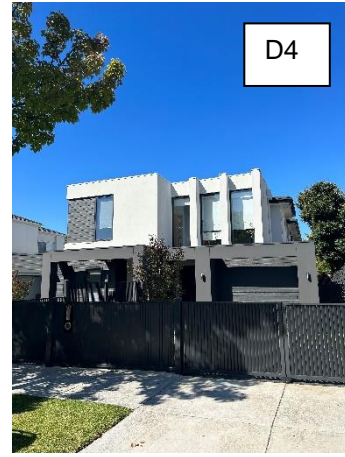
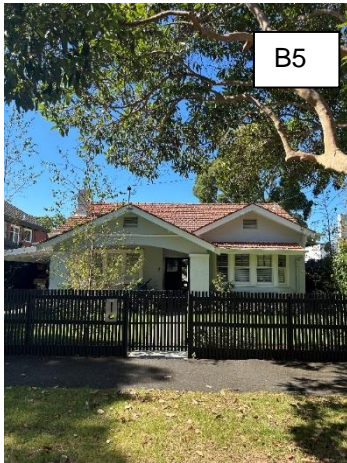


Salvia sp. (Lilac Sage)

Brighton East Neighbourhood Character

Brighton East features an array of architectural styles, large parks, and reserves, and 'village' style commercial areas, while also encouraging large floor space commercial buildings along Nepean Highway. As land uses and architectural styles are varying, it is important that new development respects, supports and enhances the cherished characteristics of the surrounding neighbourhood. Clause 15.01-5L 'Bayside preferred neighbourhood character' in the Bayside Planning Scheme provides general objectives and policy guidelines for neighbourhood character precincts that have been set across the municipality. The Neighbourhood Character Zones are shown on Map 3.

With regard to housing styles within the suburb, there is a mix of dwellings built in the late 1800s and early 1900s, Inter-war (Californian Bungalows), post-war modern and art deco dwellings, as well as infill from the 1980s and 90s and more recent contemporary development. Original dwellings are single-storey dwellings and new developments generally built as double-storey homes or dual occupancies. Front setbacks vary from 5 - 8m across the area and side setbacks are between 1 - 1.5m on one side with garages and driveways to the boundary on the other. Gardens are characterised by established, mostly exotic plantings of small to large sized shrubs with occasional medium to tall canopy trees.



Map 3: Brighton East Neighbourhood Character Precincts



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- Bayside LGA Boundary
- Neighbourhood Character Precinct
- Suburb
- Local Road
- Council Land
- Golf Club

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The Urban Forest of Brighton East

In Brighton East, there is approximately 16.5% of tree canopy cover and 15.85% of understorey cover (2019). The suburb is home to a large and expansive urban forest, encompassing a distinct character of native and exotic trees and understorey planting, contributing to a highly biodiverse environment. Together with established gardens, tree-lined streetscapes with exotic and native species and distinctive parks and reserves, Brighton East has a unique urban forest character.

History

Before European settlement, Brighton East was inhabited by the Bunurong peoples of the Kulin Nation. In 1843, a group of farmers settled east of Dendy's village; they called this area 'Little Brighton'. By the 1880s, Brighton East was filled predominately with market gardens and farms, with some housing starting to be built within the area.

In 1925, the tram line from Glen Huntly to North Road was extended to Hawthorn Road, in response to subdivisional activity occurring between North and Centre Roads. Between 1922 and 1928, the land in Brighton East had been further subdivided for housing, with substantial residential and commercial development occurring in the suburb. The suburbs' street pattern had been established by the late 1930s. In 1943, the Council established a public golf course and Dendy Park which included several ovals and sport facilities.

By 1999, street trees formed a dominant component of the vegetation character and were mostly exotic species. Private gardens contributed minimally to the streetscape and there was limited use of native vegetation in private space.³

There are now a number of trees and vegetation that have been identified for their local heritage significance. In Brighton East, these include large canopy trees at Landcox Park including *Canary Island pines*, *Maritime pines*, *Moreton Bay figs*, *Monterey cypress* and *Eucalyptus*. There are also several significant trees at Union Street Reserve (*Sugar gums*, *Paperbarks*, *Peppercorn tree*, *Photinia* and *Eucalyptus*).

Contemporary issues impacting Brighton East's urban forest

There are a number of contemporary issues impacting the urban forest and providing cause to the decrease in canopy cover. Issues associated with climate change, and its flow on effects, such as the urban heat island effect and erratic weather events, are damaging the health and viability of tree and ground cover vegetation. Increasing tree and vegetation cover will help alleviate rising temperatures and dramatic changes in climatic conditions by providing shade and cooling effects.

For new developments on private and public land, Council considers all possible design solutions and ensures the application has met all relevant criteria. However, even with these measures in place, the removal of tree and understorey vegetation is an issue facing the whole of Bayside and is generally consequential to the increases in development and the limitations on permeable surfaces appropriate for planting.

The removal of established gardens, large trees and understorey plantings is contributing to a loss of the distinct vegetation character and impacting the biodiversity. Other issues impacting the urban forest include:

- Trees nearing the end of their useful lifespan can also create safety issues particularly for more vulnerable residents. As a tree becomes older it loses vitality as it is more prone to falling or losing limbs. Council monitors the health of its trees to ensure any hazardous trees are removed.

³ Bayside City Council, 'Vegetation Character Assessment – City of Bayside' by John Patrick Landscape Architects Pty Ltd, 1999.

- Vandalism of public and private trees is another issue contributing to tree canopy loss across Bayside. Illegal removal, lopping or poisoning of trees occurs throughout Bayside by members of the public for personal gain. Another common example is the vandalism of trees to limit fruit, berry or leaf drop on footpaths and private property. Unpermitted removal, destruction, pruning and interference with trees and vegetation is illegal in Bayside. In an effort to deter vandals, Council has adopted a strong stance on vandalism and has installed signs and advertised on social media platforms an offering of rewards for information when an act of vandalism has occurred.



Image 1: Plantation Avenue



Image 2: Landcox Park



Image 3: Lucas Street Reserve

Tree canopy cover across Brighton East and various land uses

As indicated previously in this document, Brighton East has approximately 16.5% tree canopy and 15.85% understorey cover (2019). Of the 16.5% of tree canopy cover within Brighton East:

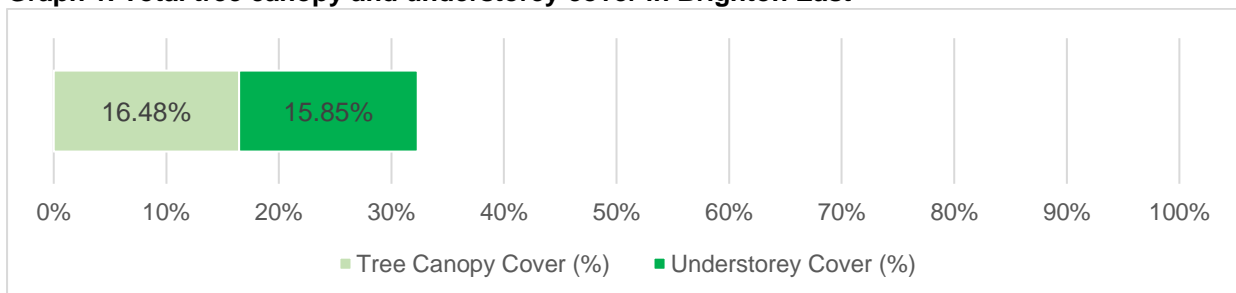
- 54.3% is located upon private residential and mixed-use areas;
- 26.59% is located upon streets;
- 16.68% is located upon open spaces and reserves;
- 2.05% is located upon public use areas;
- 0.31% is located upon 'other' areas.

The amount of trees upon private residential property and streets is quite significant, particular in comparison to other suburbs. As seen on Map 4, there appears to be less tree canopy coverage on open spaces which is likely due to the designated recreational uses of open spaces, which many sporting ovals present and notably the greens of the golf course which require the clearing of trees. It is these areas, alongside all land within the Commercial Zone 1 that has significantly limited canopy cover.

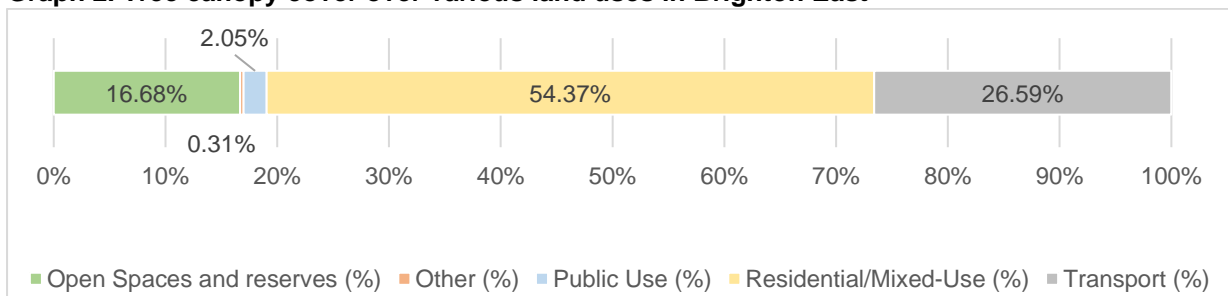
In 2022, there were 12,499 trees managed and maintained by Council throughout Brighton East, with over 8,269 street trees, 4,215 park trees and 15 other location-specific trees. Monitoring the health and growth patterns of these trees is important to ensuring that Council understands how local conditions affect tree and understorey plant populations, and to effectively plan for future planting programs and strategies across Brighton East.

In Brighton East, there is approximately 16.5% tree canopy cover and 15.85% understorey cover. The suburb of Brighton East will be a major contributor towards achieving Council's goal of 30% tree canopy cover by 2040 and the enhancement of understorey cover within the public and private realm.

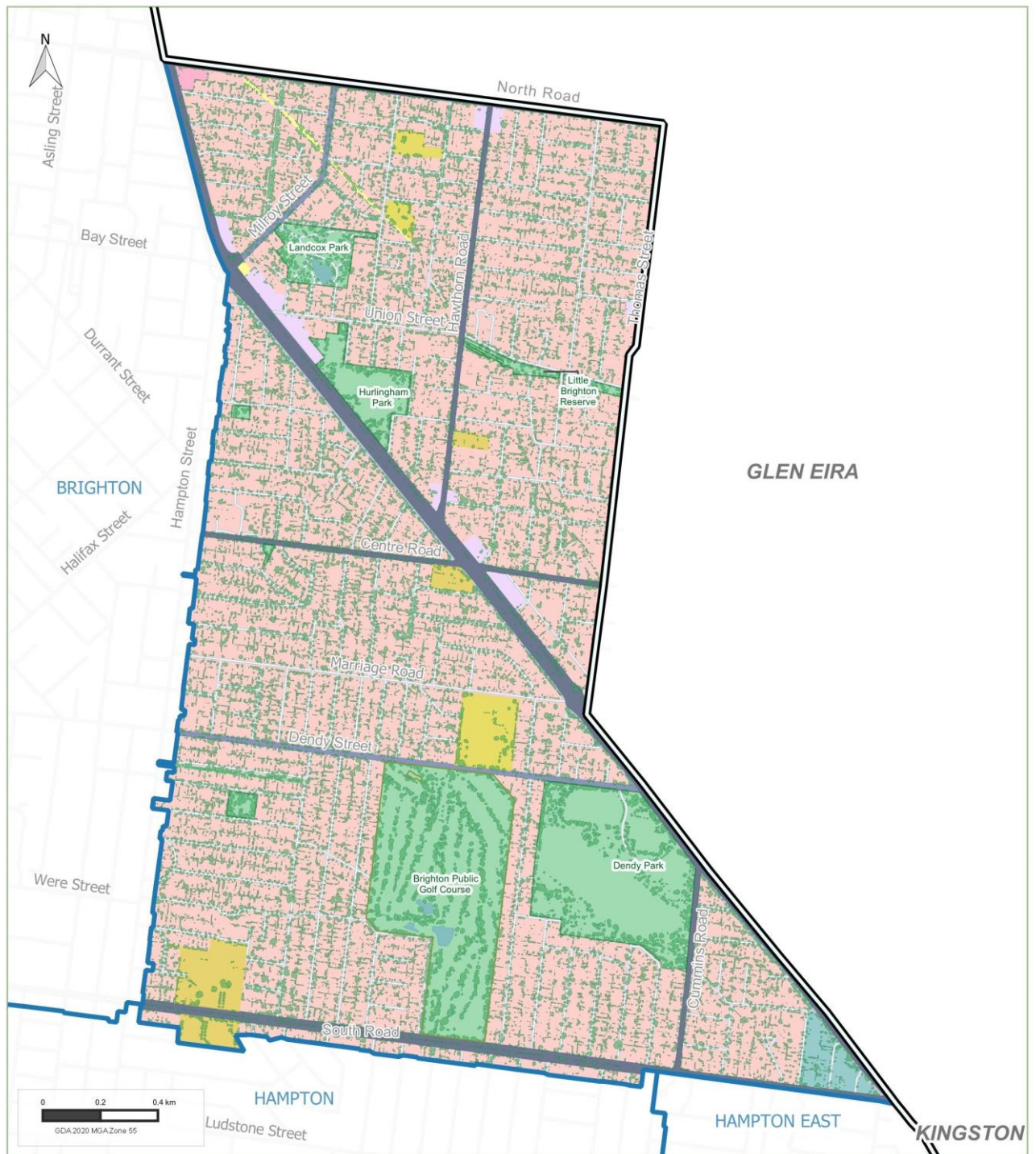
Graph 1. Total tree canopy and understorey cover in Brighton East



Graph 2. Tree canopy cover over various land uses in Brighton East



Map 4: Tree Canopy Cover across Brighton East



Legend	
Bayside LGA Boundary	ACZ - Activity Centre Zone
Suburb	C1Z - Commercial 1 Zone
Tree Canopy - October 2019	GRZ - General Residential Zone
Education (Government or Independent)	NRZ - Neighbourhood Residential Zone
Roads	PPRZ - Public Park and Recreation Zone
	PUZ - Public Use Zone
	TRZ1 - Transport Zone 1 - State Transport Infrastructure
	TRZ2 - Transport Zone 2 - Principal Road Network
	TRZ3 - Transport Zone 3 - Significant Municipal Road

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Council-managed Tree Population

Useful life expectancy (ULE)

Estimating the useful life expectancy of the council-managed tree population is regularly undertaken and informs the future management options for trees that have limited useful life due to their age and/or health. The assessment of a tree's useful life expectancy provides an indication of health and tree appropriateness and involves an estimate of how long a tree is likely to remain in the landscape based on species, stage of life (cycle), health, amenity, environmental services contribution, conflicts with adjacent infrastructure and risk to the community.⁴ It is not a measure of the biological life of the tree within the natural range of the species, but more a measure of the health status and the tree's positive contribution to the urban landscape.⁴

There are approximately 9% of council-managed trees that may not survive in Brighton East after the next 10 years. By 2040, a total of 11,818 (87%) council-managed trees will have reached the end of their useful life expectancy and may need to be replaced.

Where trees reaching the end of their useful life expectancy have been assessed and are no longer providing a benefit to the surrounding habitat, removal may be required. Where it has been found that trees reaching the end of their useful life still provide benefit and habitat, it should be retained as habitat tree as per the Tree Risk Assessment Tool (TRAQ).

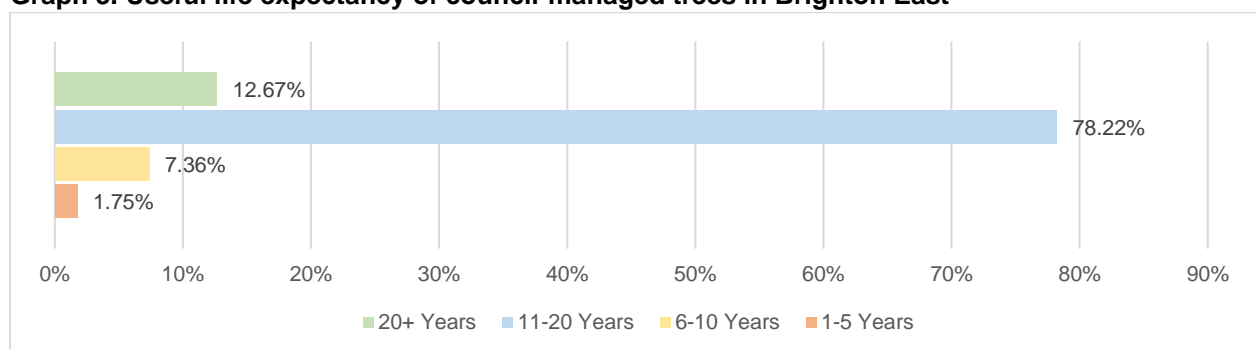
Where replacement of trees is required, new trees should be selected based on the existing surrounding vegetation, landscape character and ability to enhance habitat. Where there is a large concentration of trees required for replacement, this should be undertaken intermittently to enable varying ages and maturity.

The locations where there is a high concentration of trees which may require replacement within the next 10 years include Dendy Street, Centre Road and Nepean Highway. There is also a high concentration of trees that will need to be replaced within Brighton East's public open spaces such as Dendy Park, Hurlingham Park, Landcox Park and Little Brighton Reserve.

In Brighton East, approximately 9% of council-managed trees are not anticipated to survive over 10 years. Map 5 shows the location of trees with low ULE and the locations where the concentration of these trees is high.

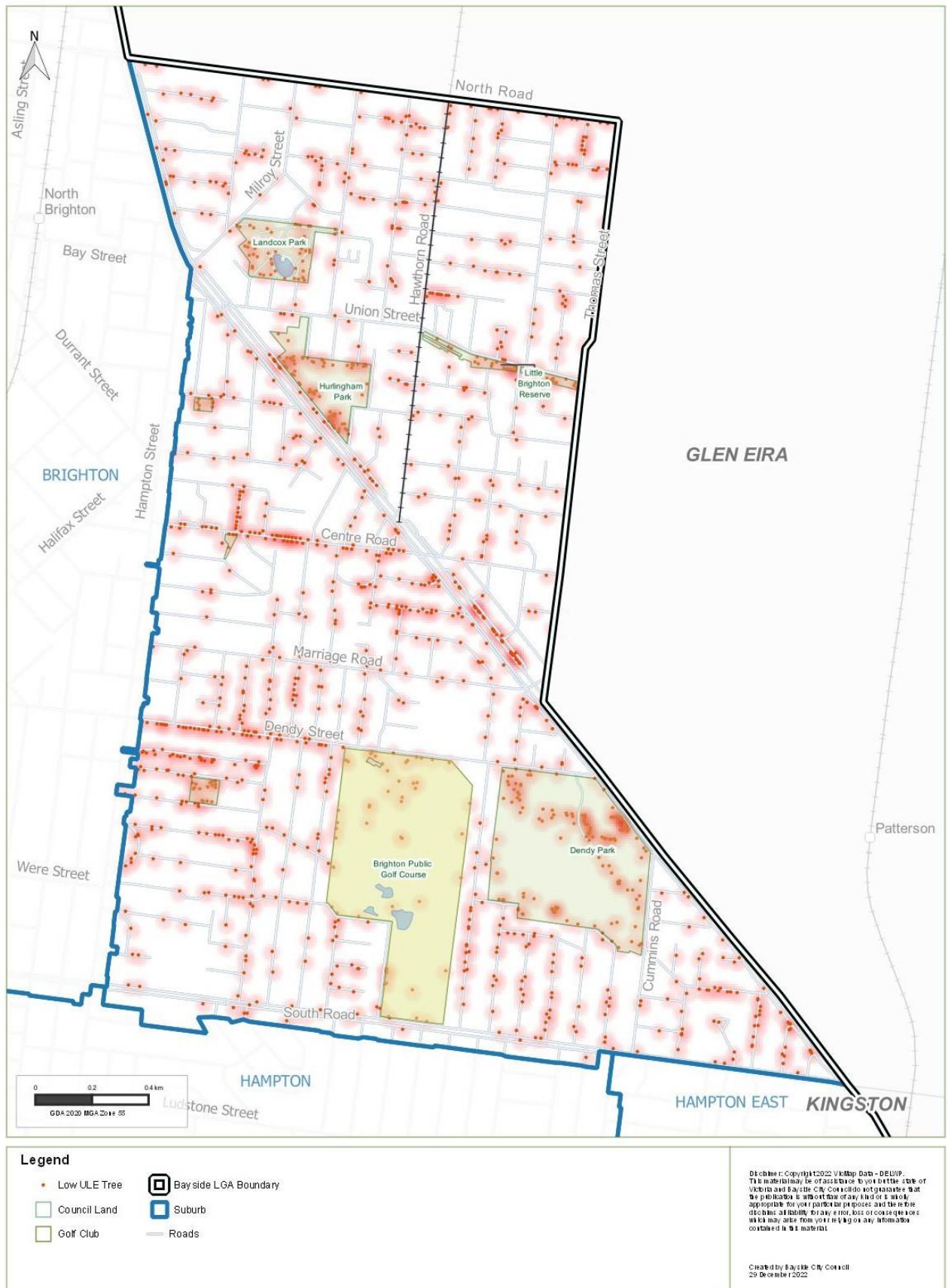
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Graph 3. Useful life expectancy of council-managed trees in Brighton East



⁴ Department of Health and Human Services, 'Arboricultural Assessment Holland Court, Flemington– 3.7 Useful Life Expectancy(ULE)', 2017, Available at https://www.planning.vic.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0011/105500/SHRP-SH1-15.a.-Tree-Logic-Rpt_Holland-Court,-Flemington.pdf

Map 5: Location of trees with low ULE in Brighton East



Tree health and age

Approximately 79% of council-managed street and park trees in Brighton East were classified as being in good health, while 3% were classified as excellent. Trees that are classified as poor, dangerous or dead make up for 2% of street and park trees in Brighton East.

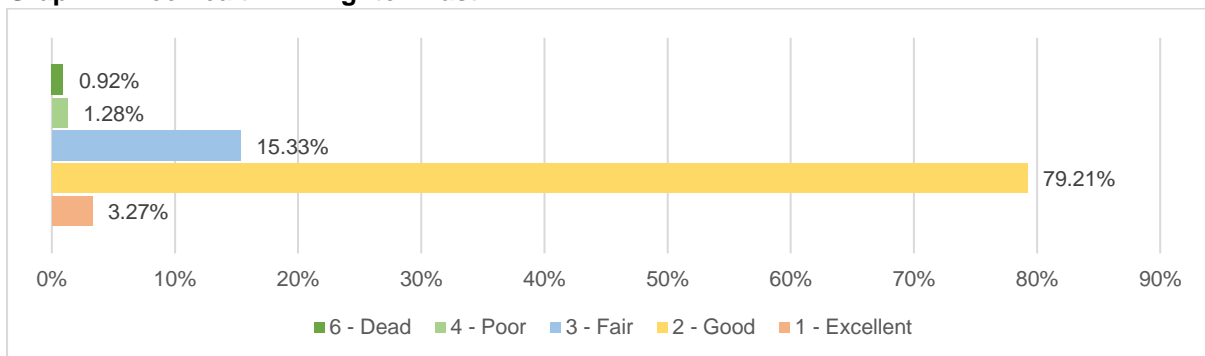
There is a reasonable level of diversity in the age of trees within the suburb. As seen in Graph 5, the highest proportions are semi-mature and new making up 34% and 27% respectively.

Map 6 provides the location of those trees that are in poor health, dangerous or dead. Trees that have been identified as dangerous or dead are mostly located in open spaces such as Dendy Park, Landcox Park, Brighton Public Golf Course and along the Nepean Highway. Street trees that are dead should be removed, but dead or dying trees with natural hollows on the foreshore and parks can provide habitat for fauna. The map shows concentration of dead trees on foreshore which are providing habitat. Through the continued use of the Tree Risk Assessment Tool, Council will retain those trees and vegetation that provide a service to the ecosystem.

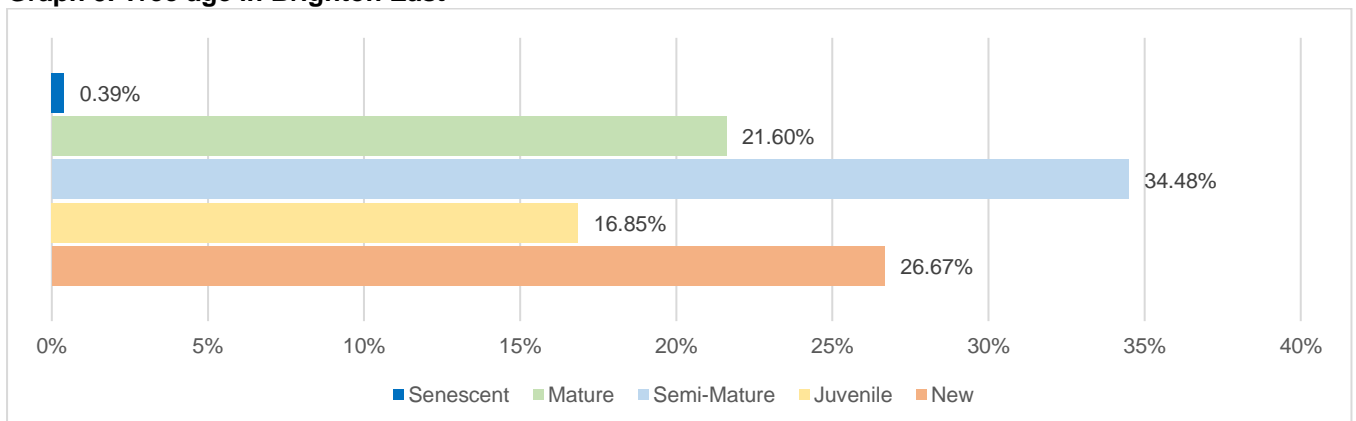
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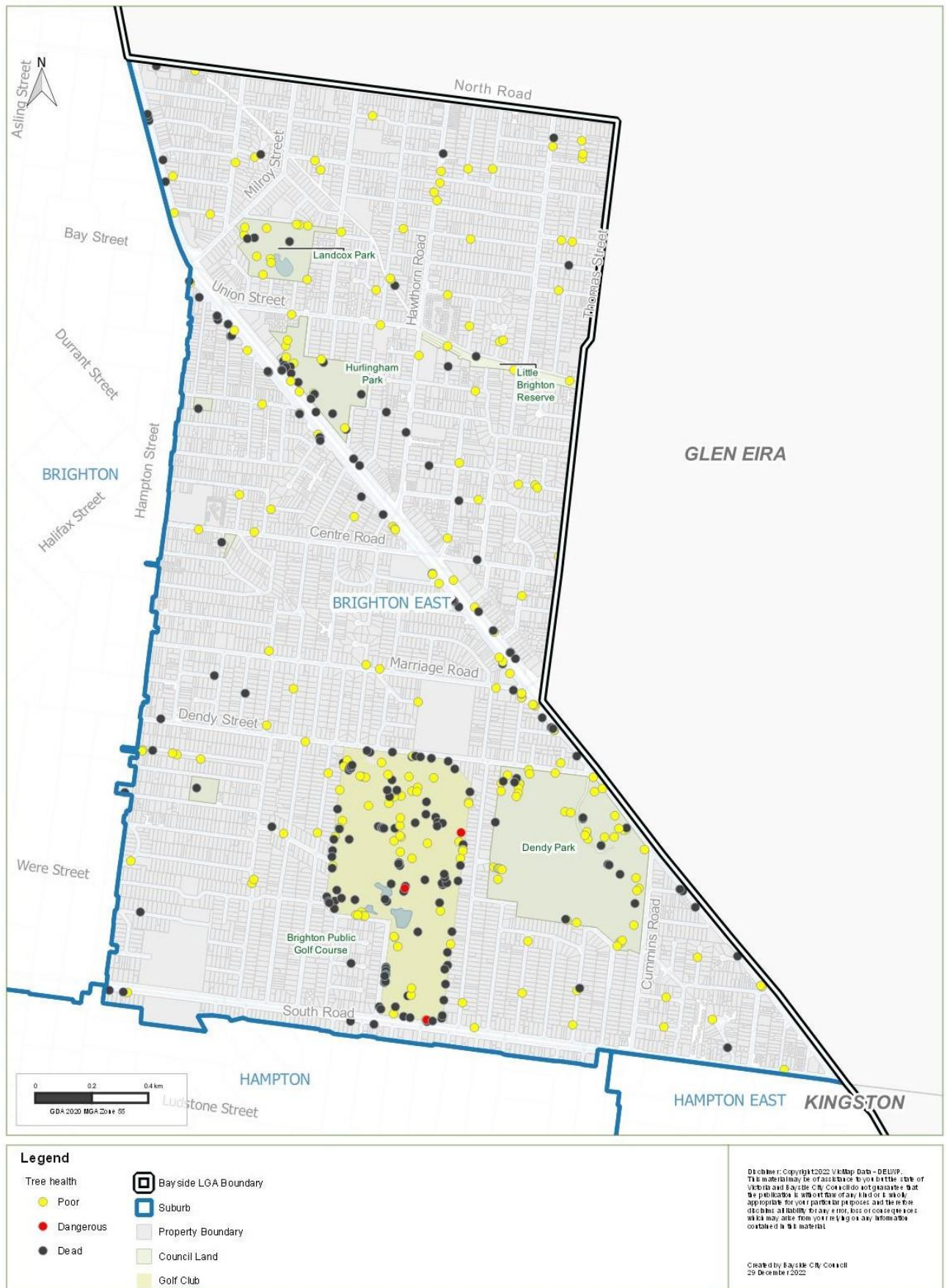
Graph 4. Tree health in Brighton East



Graph 5. Tree age in Brighton East



Map 6: Tree Health in Brighton East

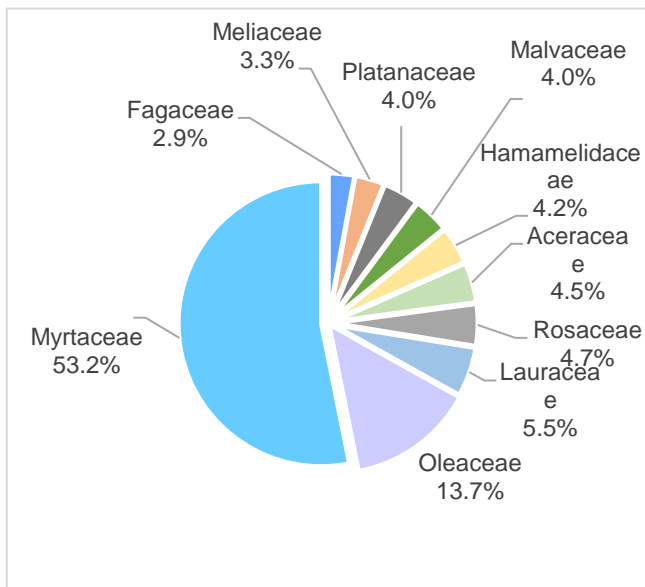


Species diversity

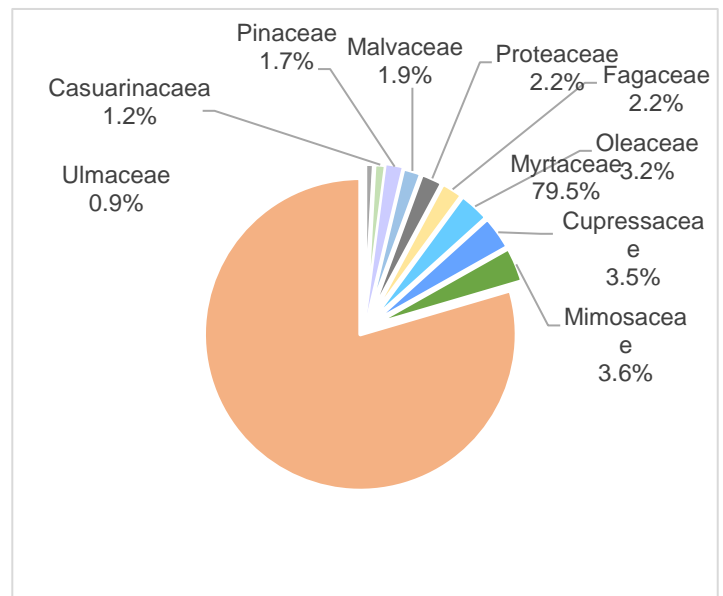
A resilient urban forest has a diverse range of species from different families. As seen in graph 6 and 7, Council-managed street and park trees are predominantly within the *Myrtaceae* family, making up 53% of all street trees and 80% of all park trees. This is then followed by the *Oleaceae* family (14% of all street trees), and the *Mimosaceae* family (4% of all park trees). Other families making up about 33% of street trees and 16% of park trees.

The reliance of a small number of species, and a lack of spatial diversity in species distribution leaves the urban forest vulnerable to threats from pests and disease. Diversification of the family composition of the urban forest was a key challenge that was previously identified in the *Bayside Street and Park Tree Guide* and reiterated within the *Bayside Urban Forest Strategy*.

The inclusion of exotic species within Brighton East allows for a great mix of species and diversity within the suburbs' urban forest. Future plantings in the suburb will reflect the species targets as shown in Appendix 3.



Graph 6. Diversity of street tree species in Brighton East



Graph 7. Diversity of park tree species in Brighton East

The following families currently form part of the overall tree population in Brighton East's streets and parks at a significantly lower percentage than the *Myrtaceae* family. The inclusion and increase of these families should be targeted through the actions and implementation of this Precinct Plan, ensuring that different types of trees align with the neighbourhood character of the surrounding locality:

- Ulmaceae
- Casuarinaceae
- Pinaceae
- Fagaceae
- Meliaceae
- Platanaceae

Through the Park Improvement and Habitat Linkage Plan, Council will undertake tree and vegetation planting to support specific habitat locations, encourage the rebuilding of ecological foundations and improve species diversity in Bayside.

Currently, the Brighton East street and park tree population is largely dominated by the *Myrtaceae* family (eucalyptus etc.), making up 80% of park trees and 53% of all street trees.

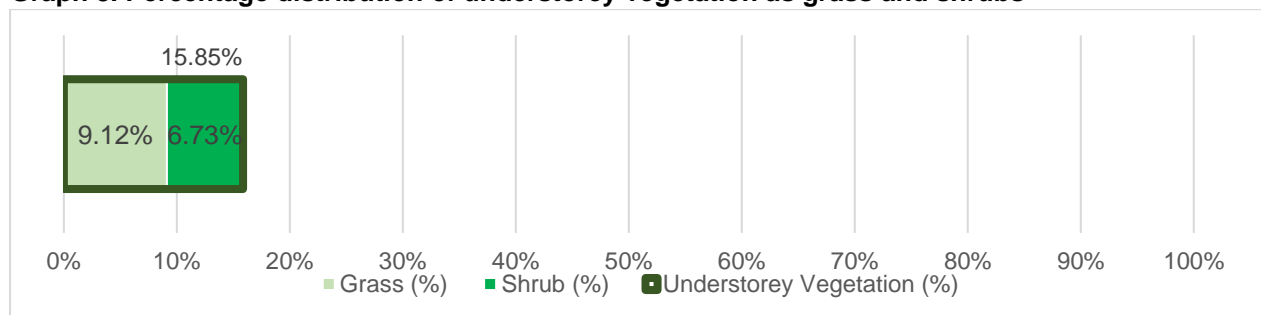
Understorey planting in Brighton East

This section investigates the potential habitat and biodiversity corridors in Brighton East across public and private land to understand where further opportunities are to increase habitat connectivity and improve biodiversity.

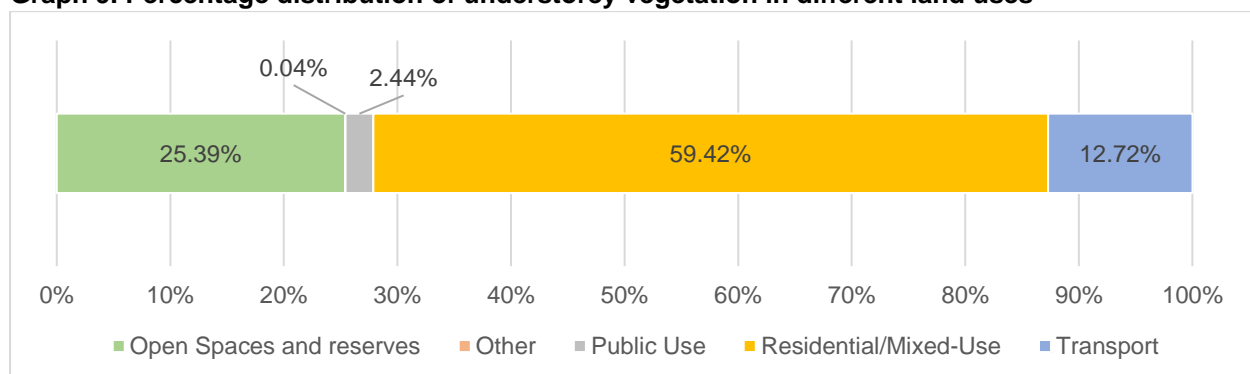
Understorey vegetation includes small trees, shrubs, herbs, grasses, mosses and lichens that occupy the vegetation layers below the canopy of taller trees.⁵ Bayside's *Urban Forest Strategy* has three major goals to ensure the increase and improvement of the urban forest and the functions it serves. Two of these goals recognise the importance of understorey plantings. In addition, one of the strategic objectives of the Bayside *Urban Forest Strategy* is to support and enhance our local biodiversity and protect locally endangered and native species. This will be achieved by improving habitat connectivity and the protection and planting of Ecological Vegetation Classes (EVCs) through the implementation of the *Park Improvement and Habitat Linkage Plan 2022* which involves identifying the suitable locations to prioritise understorey planting.

There is currently 15.85% understorey vegetation coverage in Brighton East, with 59.42% being located within residential / mixed uses areas within the suburb. Open spaces and reserves then make up for 25.39% of understorey cover and 12.72% within streets. Opportunities exist to increase understorey planting upon all land uses, with particular priority on those areas that have a very low percentage of understorey planting (0-10%). These locations have been identified in Map 7 and include sections of Nepean Highway, Milroy Street, Union Street, Hawthorn Road and Marriage Road.

Graph 8. Percentage distribution of understorey vegetation as grass and shrubs

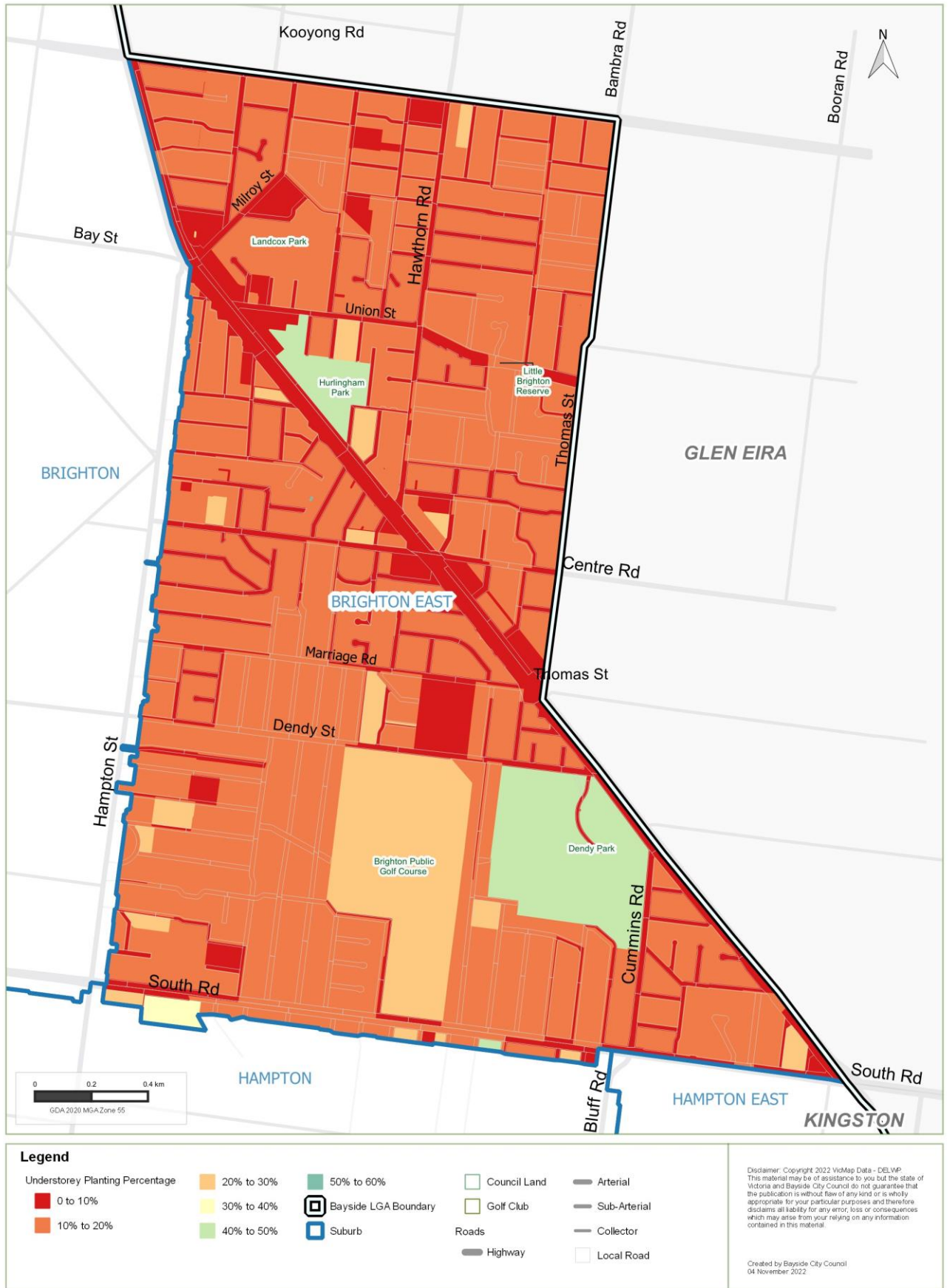


Graph 9. Percentage distribution of understorey vegetation in different land uses



⁵ Land for Wildlife Queensland, 'The Value of Understorey Vegetation' Note V6, available at: <https://www.lfwseq.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/The-Value-of-Understorey-Vegetation.pdf>

Map 7: Understorey Planting in Brighton East



Urban Heat Island

Urban heat island effect in Brighton East

Urban heat island effect is the phenomenon of dense urban areas having significantly warmer air and land surface temperatures than surrounding areas.⁶ It is primarily a result of impervious hard surfaces that generate heat and low vegetation cover that fails to provide adequate shade and natural cooling.

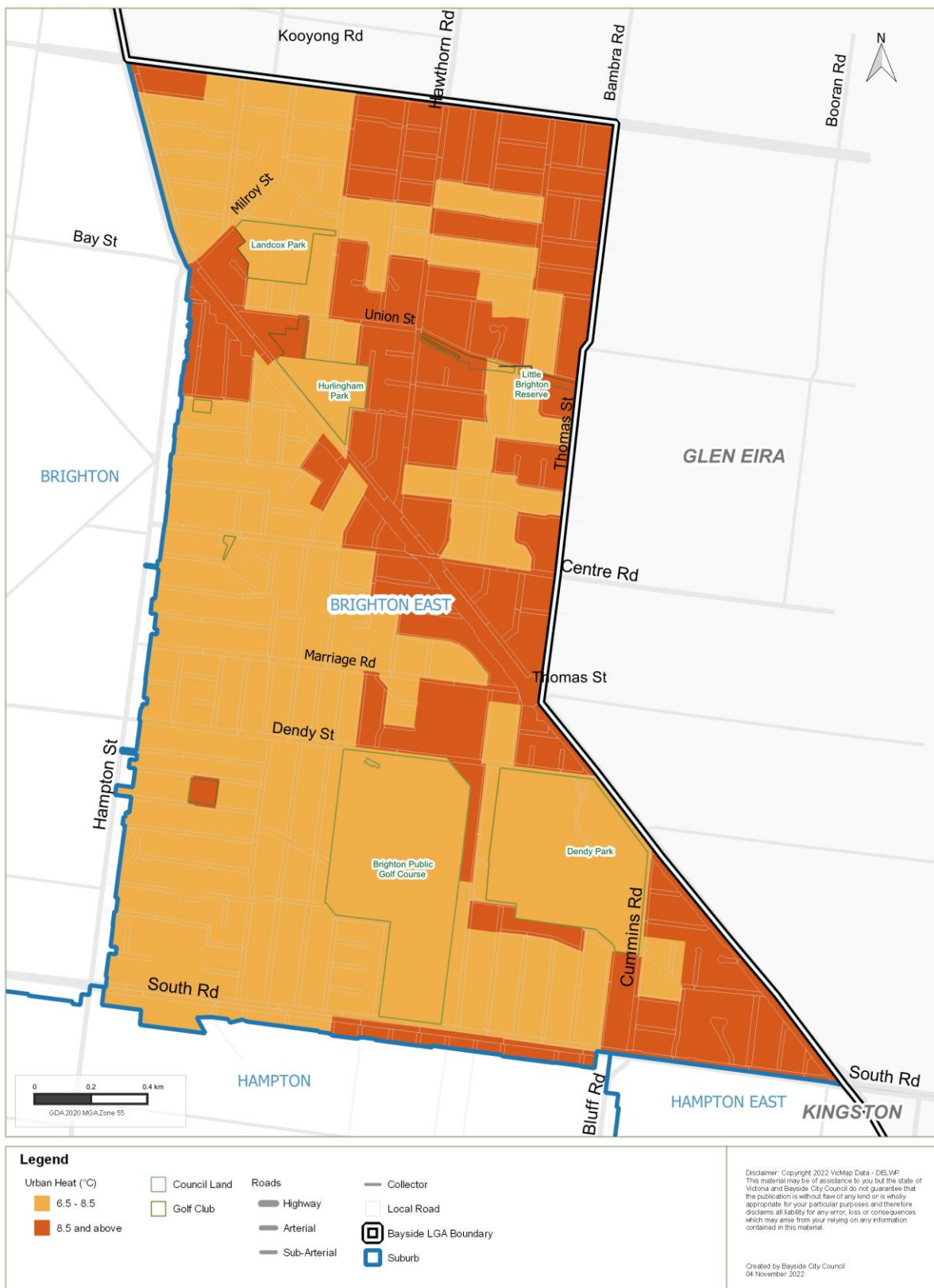
Urban heat data was captured in 2018 and provided in Map 8 below. The results are relatively moderate, illustrating some impacts to the eastern and central areas of the suburb. Increased greening and enhancement of the urban forest has been identified as one of the most cost-effective means of mitigating the potential impacts of climate change and urban heat island effects.

Council will prioritise planting on Council land that is most impacted by urban heat island effects. Innovative techniques such as green roofs and walls should also be explored and encouraged in places where more traditional approaches to increasing vegetation may be difficult to achieve (Nepean Highway and the Small Commercial Activity Centres).

Due to larger areas that have impervious hard surfaces, that generate heat, and low percentage of understorey planting, there may be moderate impacts from urban heat island effect in the eastern and central areas of Brighton East.

⁶ Resilient Melbourne and The Nature Conservancy, 'Living Melbourne – Our metropolitan Urban Forest', 2019, Available at https://livingmelbourne.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/Strategy_online.pdf

Map 8 - Urban Heat – Increased temperatures in Brighton East



Biodiversity Assessment

To help inform the Bayside *Urban Forest Strategy*, Council undertook a desktop biodiversity assessment across the entire municipality. The purpose of the desktop biodiversity assessment was to assess and identify the existing ecological values present within the municipality and identify key areas where biodiversity could be improved. This section of the Precinct Plan will focus on the findings of this assessment within the suburb of Brighton East.

Strategic Biodiversity Value Score

The Strategic Biodiversity Value (SBV) is a ranking system developed by the Department of Transport & Planning (DTP) that ranks the biodiversity contribution that a location has to Victoria's overall biodiversity. The SBV is presented as a score ranging between 0 - 1 and is mapped across all areas of Victoria.⁷

56 areas with SBV scores were identified within Bayside. A review of the SBV scores mapped within the Council region was undertaken, with the results shown on Map 9. While the majority of Brighton East did not present a high SBV score, there were a few key areas where the score is higher, indicating that these areas have a higher conservation value. Specifically, these areas included:

- Brighton Public Golf Course (0.2 to 0.4)
- Landcox Park (0.1 to 0.2).

Future planting within these areas should focus on ensuring the SBV scores modelled within these areas do not decrease, by promoting native restoration and plantings in these areas when required.

Ecological Vegetation Classes (EVCs)

As a part of this study a review of Ecological Vegetation Classes (EVCs) model was undertaken. A total of 8 EVCs were modelled within the Bayside area. The modelled distribution of the 2005 DELWP mapping extent, highlights that the majority of the study area has been cleared and no longer represents the EVCs. This is largely due to the extensive residential development that has occurred, and the associated road, rail and commercial development.

Of the 8 EVCs modelled within Bayside, one was present within Brighton East, specifically the Grassy Woodland / Damp Sands Herb-rich Woodland. These identified EVCs have informed the species palette in Appendix 3 to this Precinct Plan. The species palette provides guidance on species of trees and vegetation that should be planted in order to enhance the character and enhance the ecological values of the urban forest.

⁷ Desktop Biodiversity Assessment for the Urban Forest Strategy, Bayside City Council (2022)

Map 9 - Biodiversity Value Score



Map 10 – Historic Ecological Vegetation Classes



Legend

- Bayside LGA Boundary
- Suburb
- Council Land
- Golf Club
- Property Boundaries

- Modelled 2005 Ecological Vegetation Classes**
- Grassy Woodland / Damp Sands Herb-rich Woodland Mosaic (EVC 719)

- Planning Zones**
- PPRZ - Public Park and Recreation Zone
 - PUZ1 - Public Use Zone - Service and Utility
 - PUZ2 - Public Use Zone - Education

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Park Improvement and Habitat Linkage Plan 2022

The *Park Improvement and Habitat Linkage Plan 2022* was undertaken by Council as a way to improve species diversity within Bayside and understand what species (trees and vegetation) would best support specific locations in Bayside and encourage the rebuilding of ecological foundations. The objective of the plan is to assist in increasing the diversity of indigenous and native plantings in council-owned open spaces outside the conservation reserve system and strengthen the connections between natural areas.

Two major actions identified in the *Park Improvement and Habitat Linkage Plan* that correspond to the Brighton East Precinct Plan are:

1. Streetscapes – Wherever possible, increase the extent of indigenous understorey vegetation in verges, nature strips, roundabouts, traffic islands and edges of carparks or other less frequented or unused areas.
2. Parklands – Expand on areas of existing native vegetation (both patches and individual trees) with dense understorey plantings, or identify locations for additional native plantings, to create structurally diverse ‘habitat planting zones’.

Conservation in Brighton East

Brighton East does not contain any conservation reserves.

Core Habitat Patches

As per Map 11, six core habitat patches have been identified within Brighton East as areas where planting should occur to implement new or improve existing links to areas of open space and provide habitat corridors:

1. Landcox Park
2. Hurlingham Park
3. Little Brighton Reserve
4. Dendy Park
5. Lucas Street Reserve
6. The Plantation.

Map 11 – Core Habitat Patches in Brighton East



Legend

Bayside LGA Boundary	Core Habitat Patches	Planning Zones	PPRZ - Public Park and Recreation Zone
Suburb	Council Land	C1Z - Commercial 1 Zone	
Roads	Education (Government or Independent)		

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Priority Habitat Improvement Areas

Priority habitat locations are primarily associated with parks or reserves that currently support high-quality habitat values (such as bushland or foreshore reserves) or have the potential to provide core habitat with further investment through on-ground plantings and complimentary habitat structures.⁸

As portrayed on Map 12, Priority Habitat Improvement Areas identified in Brighton East are:

- Landcox Park
- Hurlingham Park
- Little Brighton Reserve
- Dendy Park
- Brighton Public Golf Course.

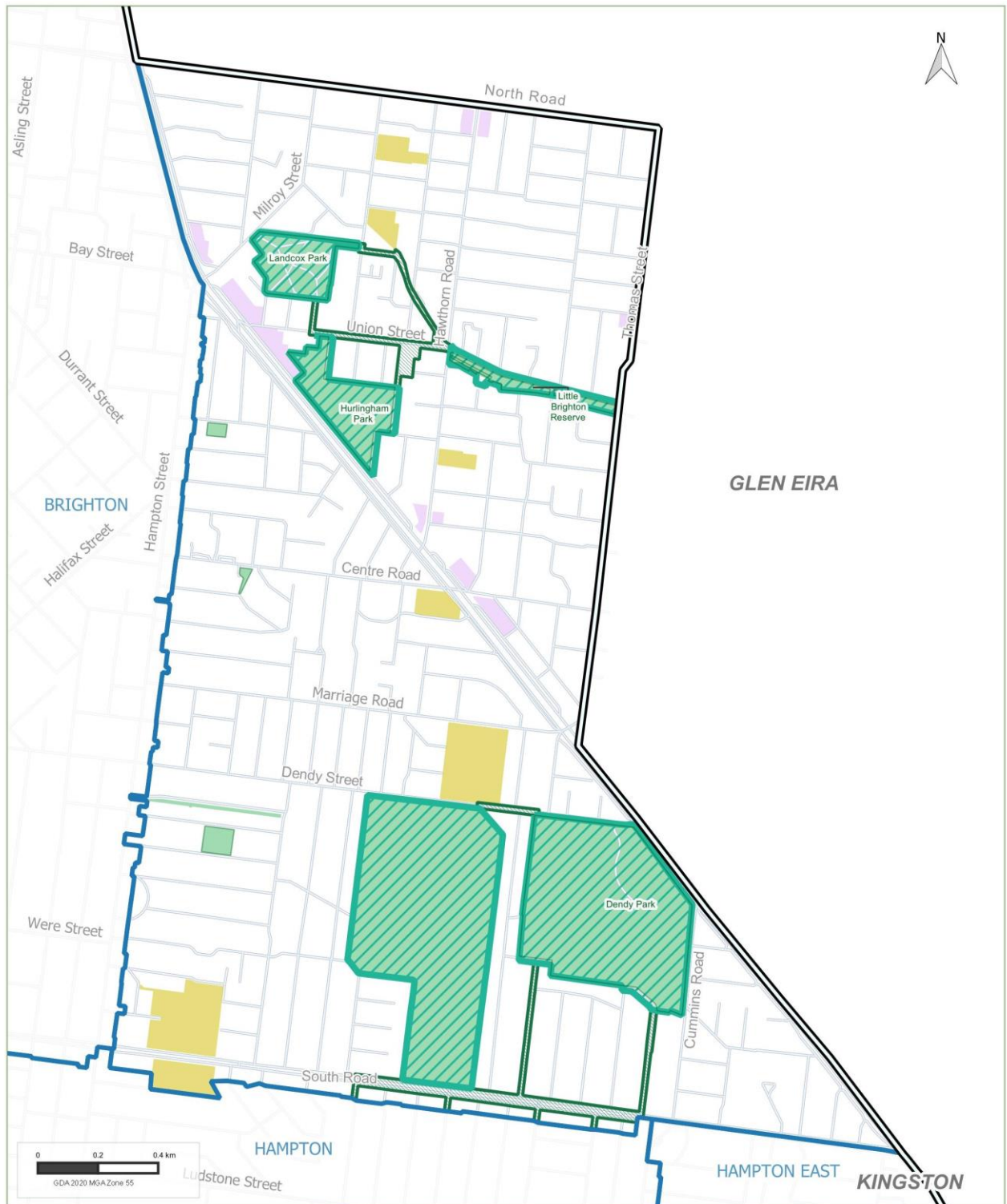
Priority Linkage Improvement Areas

Linkage Improvement Areas are primarily associated with public road reserves with the objective being to increase the functional diversity of vegetation within these areas to improve connectivity for a broader range of species.⁸ Locations of priority linkages identified across the municipality have been restricted to public land, except for limited instances within privately owned golf courses, see Map 12.

- Landcox Park to Hurlingham Park via Sunnyside Avenue/ Union Avenue/ Francis Street
- Landcox Park to Little Brighton Reserve via Union Street and/or Elster Creek
- Brighton Public Golf Course to Dendy Park via Dendy Street
- Studley Road via South Road to Bourneville Avenue.
- Sout Road via Nepean Highway

⁸ Park Improvement and Habitat Linkage Plan, Bayside City Council (2022)

Map 12 – Habitat Linkages and Improvement in Brighton East



Legend		Habitat Improvement		Planning Zones	
	Bayside LGA Boundary		Habitat Improvement Area		C1Z - Commercial 1 Zone
	Suburb		Habitat Linkage Improvement Area		PPRZ - Public Park and Recreation Zone
	Roads		Council Land		Education (Government or Independent)

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Trees on Private Land

While we encourage and support the increase of tree canopy cover on private land, it is recognised that the uptake of tree planting on private land can only be enforced through better planning mechanisms, education, advocacy and commitment from the community.

The objectives of the Bayside *Urban Forest Strategy* is to prioritise and strengthen the support for retaining existing trees on public and private land and to strengthen Council’s ability to retain and monitor trees on both public and private land.

Regulations involving trees on private land

Under the Neighbourhood Amenity Local Law 2021, a permit is required for the removal of a tree that is on the Significant Tree Register or a canopy tree that has a single or combined trunk greater than 155 centimetres measured at 1 metre above ground level.

There are several mechanisms currently in place within the Bayside Planning Scheme that require a planning permit to be granted for tree removal. These mechanisms include but are not limited to the Vegetation Protection Overlay (VPO), Significant Landscape Overlay (SLO) and the Heritage Overlay (HO). The HO however is the only overlay that applies to private land in Brighton East.

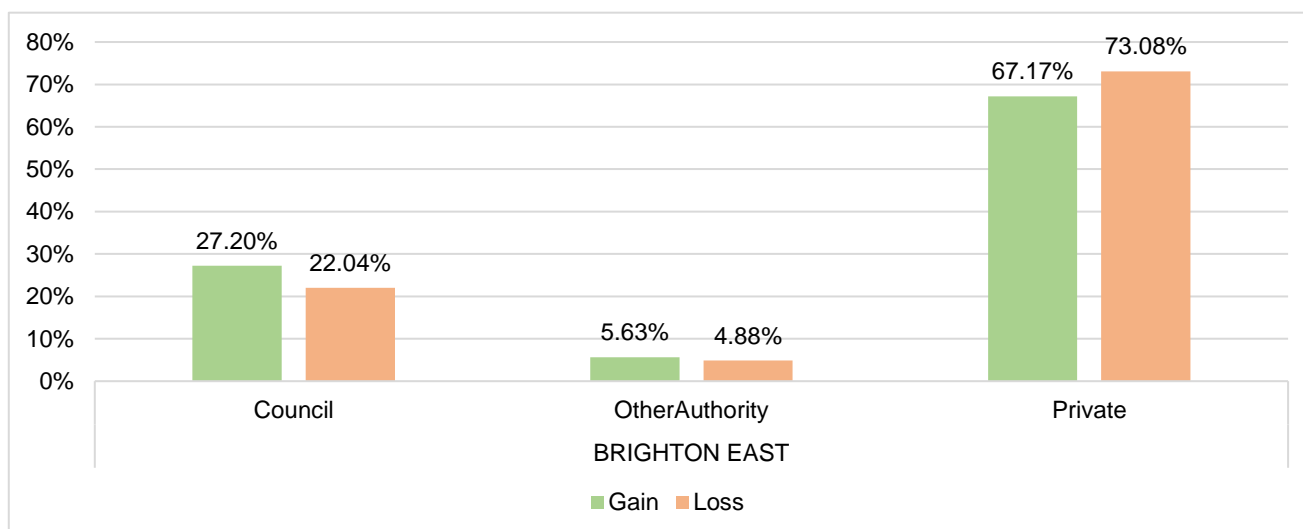
It is difficult to approximate the number of trees removed from private land each year under a planning permit as this is not separately recorded (and one application can be for multiple tree removals), let alone the extent of tree removal that is legal or illegal.

As indicated in Graph 10, while private land contributed to 67% of tree canopy gains in Brighton East, it also contributed to 73% of tree canopy losses. Conversely, council-owned land contributed 27% of tree canopy gain versus 28% of tree canopy losses. Losses and gains were calculated by comparing 2015 and 2019 canopy cover data.

Tree loss and gain in Brighton East on private land

Map 13 shows tree canopy lost and gained in Brighton East from 2015 to 2019. The source aerial photography datasets were obtained from the State Government’s Coordinated Imagery Program (CIP). The datasets from 2015 and 2019 were further compared by the council’s GIS team to identify changed areas of vegetation.

Graph 10: Tree canopy across various land ownerships



Encouragement of trees on private land

As mentioned in the Bayside *Urban Forest Strategy*, community engagement will be essential in growing the urban forest on private land and Council will continue to be proactive in communicating the benefits of trees and vegetation on private land.

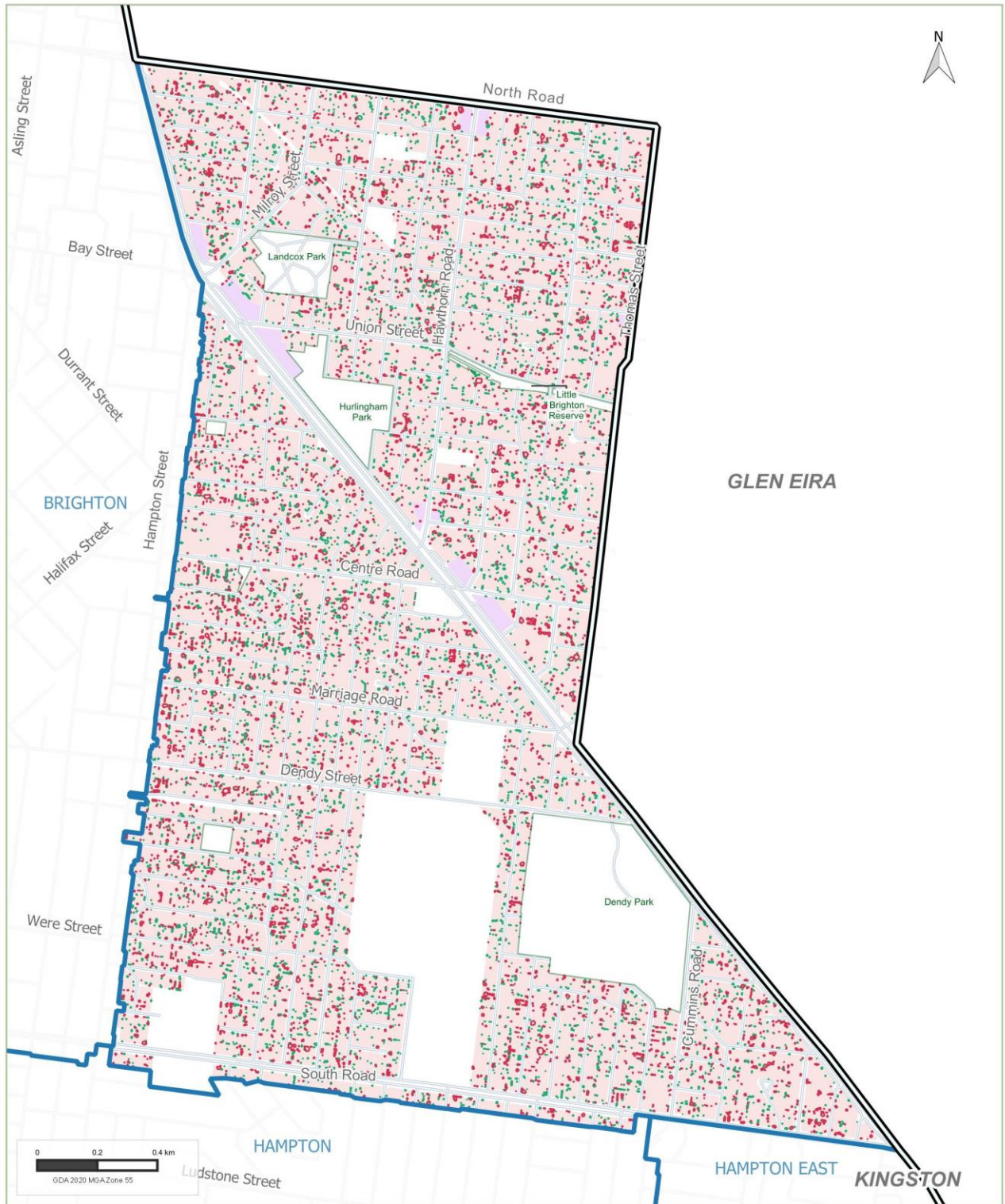
Council will also investigate opportunities to provide free tree and vegetation giveaways to residents. This will provide Council with a pathway to influence the tree and vegetation cover that exists on private land and help residents maintain the health of their trees and gardens. Bayside already has a strong network of 'Friends of' groups and community volunteers who carry out tree and vegetation plantings and would be great allies in this work.

Council will encourage landowner participation in greening, particularly for areas identified as having less canopy cover. This is being undertaken through communications and engagement actions that has a focus on education, awareness on the benefits of vegetation, and participation in increased tree planting through various education programs.

There has been a greater interest from the younger population of Bayside to participate in increasing vegetation cover. Council will continue to run educational programs within schools and work alongside the community to reach the *Urban Forest Strategy* target of 30% canopy cover across Bayside by 2040.

As part of the Bayside *Urban Forest Strategy* Implementation Plan, Council is exploring opportunities to include further policies and planning mechanisms within the Bayside Planning Scheme with an aim to maintain and increase tree canopy and vegetation on private land.

Map 13 - Vegetation loss and gain on private land



Legend

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| Bayside LGA Boundary | Tree Canopy Change
- February 2015 to October 2019
- Private Land | UFS Reporting Areas |
| Suburb | Gain | Private-Residential |
| Council Land | Loss | Private-Commercial-Residential Mixed |
| Roads | | |

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Brighton East in Images

The following images show examples of low, medium, and high tree canopy coverage in Brighton East.



Image 6. Marriage Road, an example of a road with low tree canopy coverage



Image 7. Davey Avenue, an example of a street with medium tree canopy coverage



Image 8. Milliara Grove, an example of a street with high tree canopy coverage

Key Constraints – Infrastructure

Finding locations for street and park tree planting can be challenging as it is important to ensure trees do not compromise the existing above and below infrastructure, as well as the existing uses and accessibility of the space.



Small tree under powerlines



Tree trimmed under powerlines

Certain pieces of infrastructure introduce constraints that impact the ability to plant trees. Street and park tree selection for trees growing under powerlines needs to consider a particular species' tolerance for pruning. For example, a tree that has a natural branching habit and a good wound response to mechanical damage would be considered an appropriate tree species for growing under powerlines.

In streets that have small or narrow nature strips, a smaller tree species will be considered for the powerline side of the street. In those circumstances, the trees on both sides of the street should have similar foliage and form to provide a consistent vegetation character for the street.

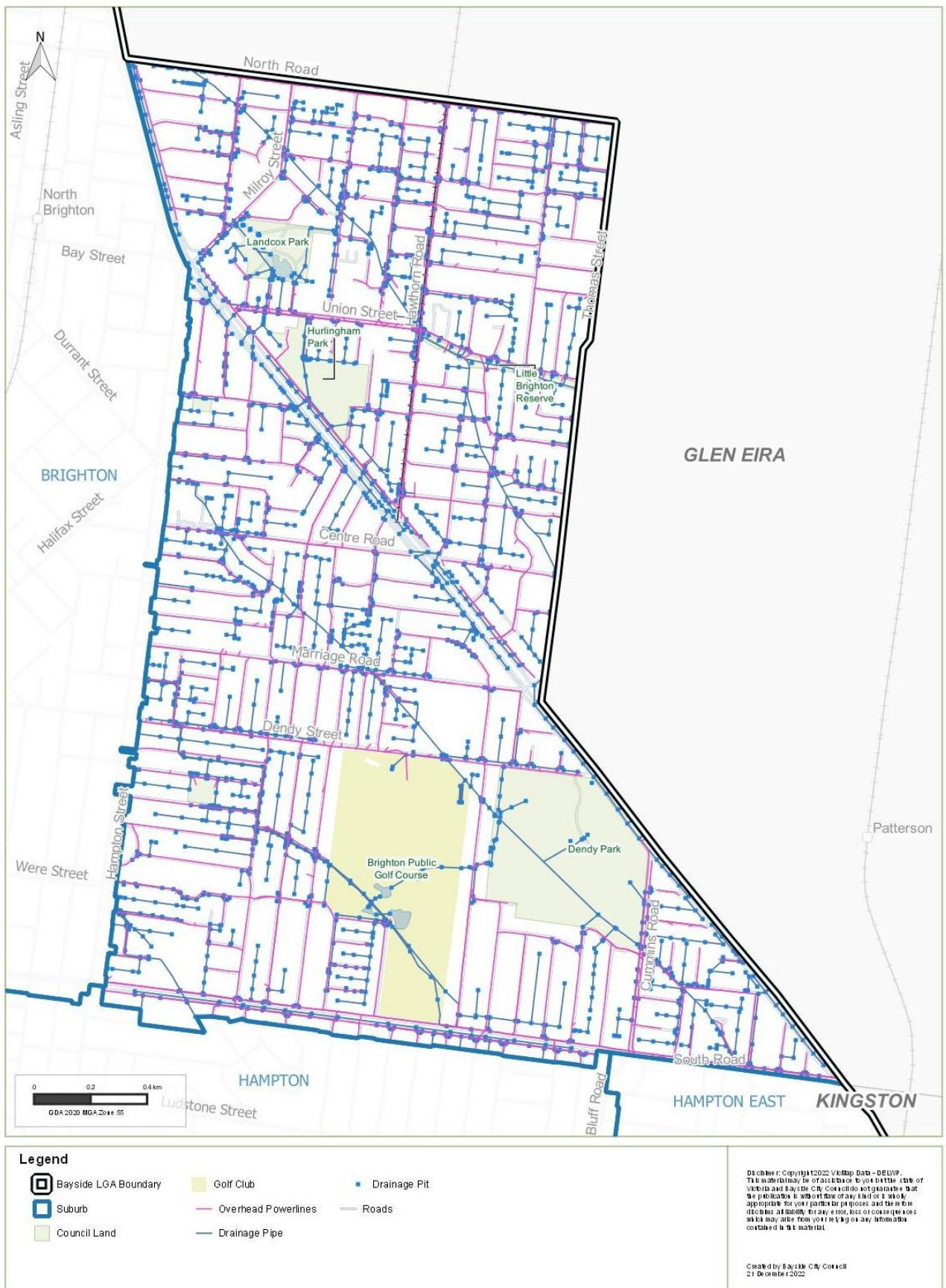
As a phase 1 action of this plan, Council will facilitate the negotiations between the residents and relevant authorities to support the undergrounding of powerlines (and other services) if there is sufficient interest in a street. Council will also advocate to VicRoads and other authorities for undergrounding the powerlines and plant vegetation on the Principal Transport Network. Map 14 identifies infrastructure that must be considered when undertaking tree and vegetation planting including:

- Footpaths
- Kerb and channel
- Roadways
- Playgrounds
- Pathways
- Private infrastructure
- Public infrastructure.

When selecting tree species for planting, Council officers consider which species will be the least destructive to underground infrastructure. Council will work with utility providers where required to ensure that infrastructure can be successfully maintained. This will ensure that Council can increase vegetation cover whilst protecting existing infrastructure and reducing demand for maintenance.

It is also important to note that infrastructure can also be constrained due to weather events. The *Climate Emergency Action Plan 2020* requires that new infrastructure be designed to higher environmental standards and is located with consideration to future flood and storm surge risk. Existing infrastructure has to be retrofitted to reduce environmental impact and to improve resilience. It is critical to consider how each piece of new infrastructure can contribute to a more resilient built environment. Adapting to climate change requires taking actions to lessen its adverse consequences and increase capacity to withstand the stresses and shocks associated with natural hazards and extreme weather events. Investing in climate change adaption helps to embed economic, social, and environmental resilience to protect the most vulnerable to the consequences of climate change

Map 14 – Infrastructure servicing across Brighton East



Key Opportunities

Greening Brighton East

Increasing tree canopy cover to reach 30% and vegetation cover to reach 30% across Brighton East by 2040.

Biodiverse suburb

Create a diverse and healthy urban forest that reinforces greater outcomes for biodiversity.

Improve monitoring and maintenance

Improve the ability to monitor and track along with maintaining our existing canopy cover and avoid further decline.

Encourage residents and private owners

Learn together, educate each other, encourage and celebrate greater care and protection.

Council-owned open spaces

Brighton East has approximately 75 hectares of open space that includes parks, reserves, and foreshore areas.

An opportunity exists to increase the number of canopy trees and vegetation planted in these areas, including Landcox Park, Hurlingham Park, Dendy Park, Little Brighton Reserve, Lucas Street Reserve, Glen Edward Rice Reserve, Brighton Public Golf Course and Old Dairy Reserve.

Council-owned projects

There is a significant opportunity to increase vegetation cover in Brighton East through council-owned projects like the renewal or development of community buildings and sports clubs. Each Council project has site-specific issues and opportunities that need to be considered as a part of the project scope. Examples of this include having a buffer around Council buildings and sporting ovals to ensure new plantings do not hinder future projects. When planting near sporting ovals maintenance of future trees must be considered to ensure sporting events can still run.

Commercial areas

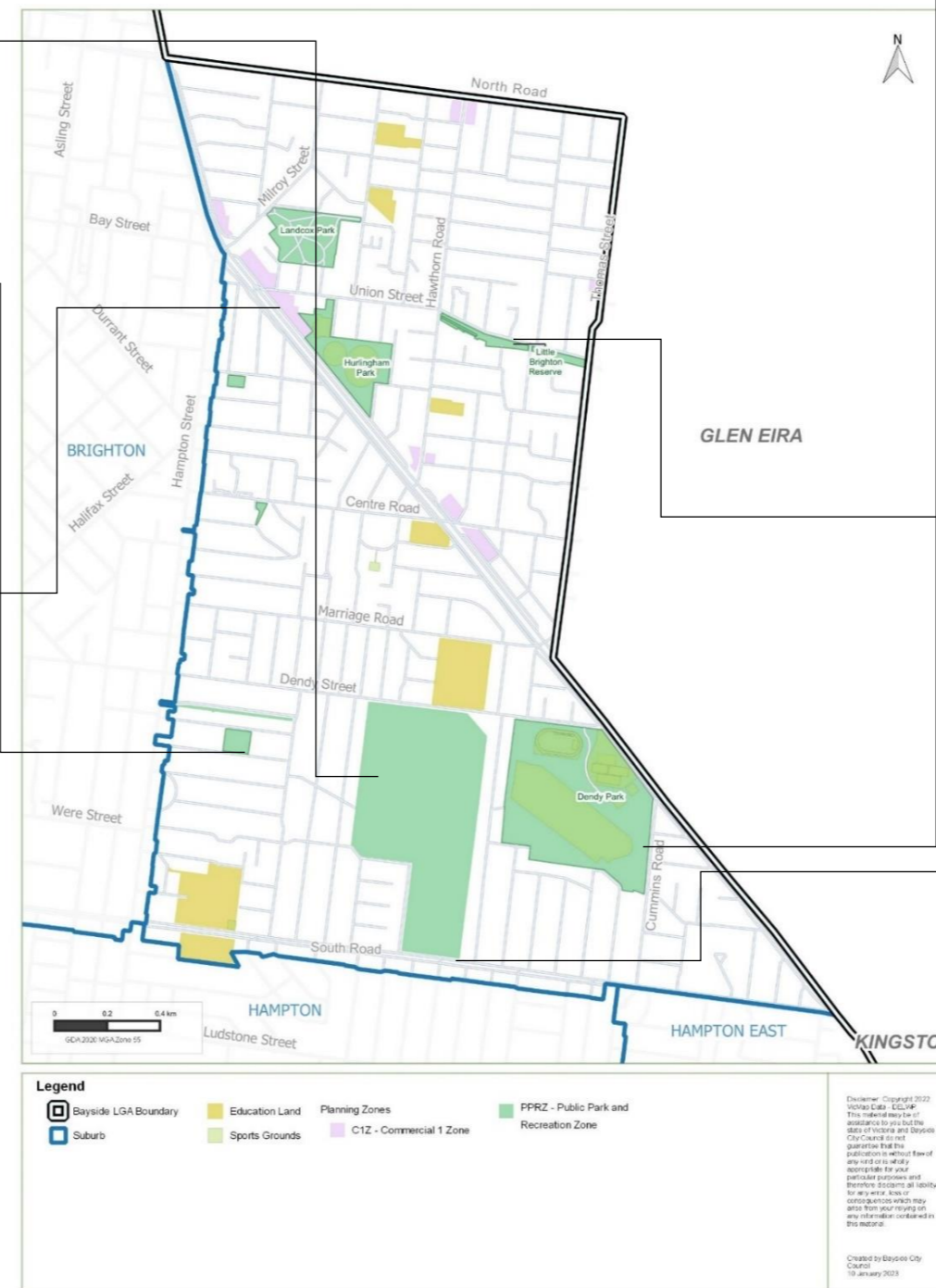
Across Brighton East there are various parts of the suburb that are zoned for commercial use. These include:

- East Brighton Shopping Centre
- Hawthorn Road Shopping Centre
- Thomas Street and Egan Street Centre
- Nepean Highway and Milroy Street Centre
- Nepean Highway and Centre Road Centre

The character of these commercial centres can be improved by increasing the amount of vegetation. This will create more appealing centres that will attract a greater number of visitors and therefore increase business for local traders.

When planting trees in commercial areas conflicting priorities such as the demand for car parking, footpath activation, shop awnings, street lighting and road signage must be considered. Innovative techniques such as green roofs and walls and replacing trees in poor health should be explored and encouraged to increase vegetation.

Map 15 – Key Opportunities in Brighton East



Educational Land

Council will work with other State Government departments and with private owners to increase vegetation cover on educational land. Schools within Brighton East include:

- Gardenvale Primary School
- Melbourne Montessori School
- St Finbar's Parish Primary School
- Brighton Secondary College
- St Leonard's College
- Halieybury College.

Nature strips

In terms of tree planting, the Street and Park Tree Management Policy states that: 'Council aims to have 100% of suitable sites within Bayside planted with a tree to contribute to the municipality's leafy character. Most property frontages in Bayside can accommodate at least one tree within the nature strip.'

Habitat Linkage

Increase canopy cover and understorey cover and improve habitat connectivity at:

- Landcox Park to Hurlingham Park via Sunnyside Avenue/ Union Avenue/ Francis Street
- Landcox Park to Little
- Reserve via Union Street and/or Elster Creek
- Brighton Public Golf Course to Dendy Park via Dendy Street
- Studley Road via South Road to Bourneville Avenue.

Priority Linkage Improvement Areas

- Landcox Park to Hurlingham Park via Sunnyside Avenue/ Union Avenue/ Francis Street
- Landcox Park to Little Brighton Reserve via Union Street and/or Elster Creek
- Brighton Public Golf Course to Dendy Park via Dendy Street
- Studley Road via South Road to Bourneville Avenue.
- South Road via Nepean Highway

Prioritising Trees and Vegetation

Planting will commence by focusing on habitat linkages and core habitat patches identified in the Park Improvement and Habitat Linkage plan (Action 1 of the Implementation Plan). Focus will also be given to streets that have low canopy cover.

Encouraging planting on private property will prove to be more challenging. The species palette listed in this Precinct Plan is also provided within the revised Bayside Landscaping Guidelines and selection from this list will be encouraged as part of the Planning and Local Law tree removal application and approval process for Landscape Plans. Council will also work with private property owners to seek enhanced landscaping outcomes on nature strips.

As a response to the Bayside *Urban Forest Strategy*, Council is committed to increasing tree planting every year. Maps 16 to 18 identify priority locations to be targeted in Council's Annual Tree Planting program.

The Annual Tree Planting Program provides a great opportunity to increase species diversity, habitat and local character. A general rule of thumb that should be applied is the 10:20:30 rule, where the urban tree population includes no more than 10% of any one species, 20% of any one genus, or 30% of any family.

Map 16 – Location of Tree Replacements required in next 10 years in Brighton East

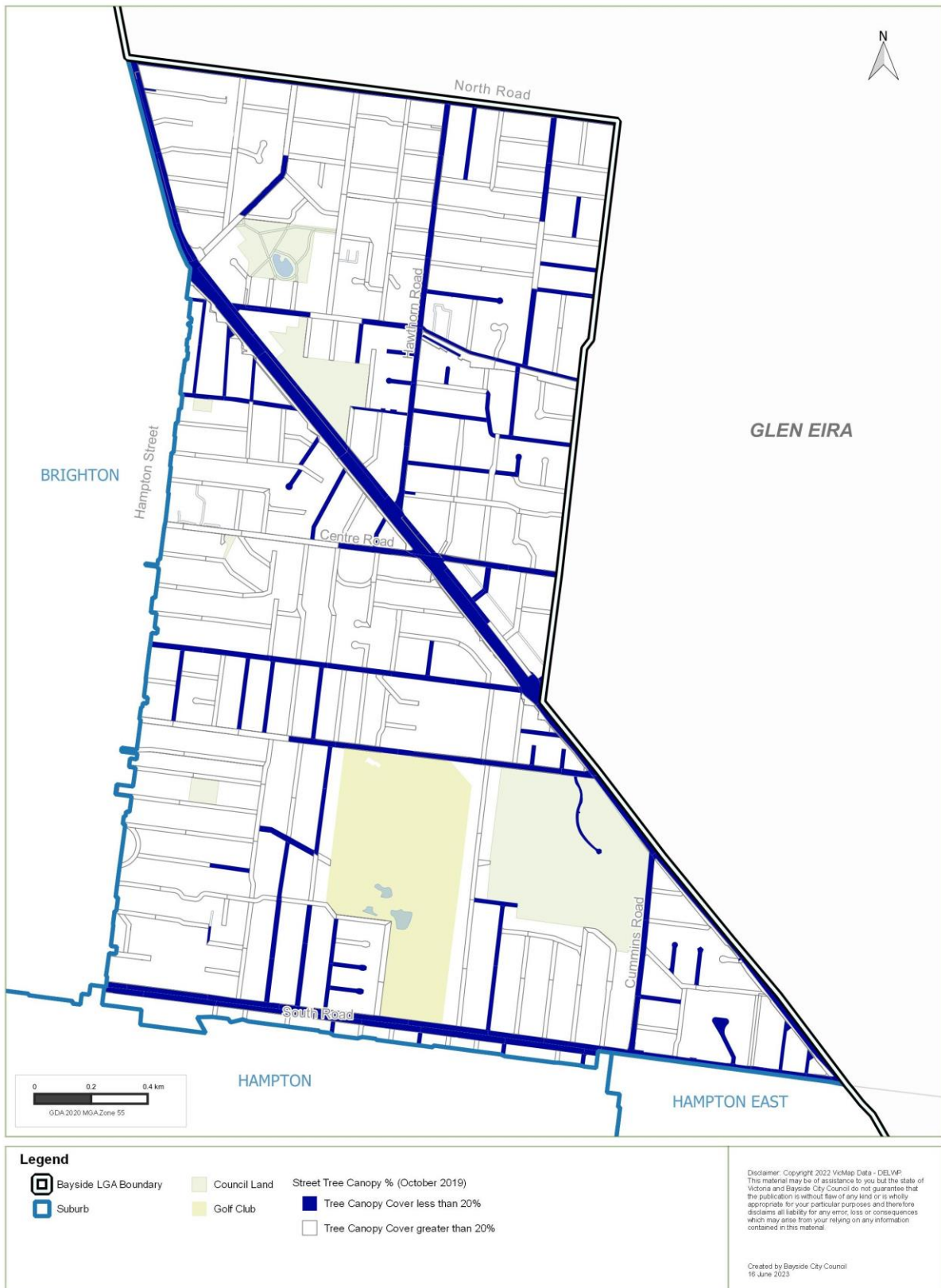


Legend		
Bayside LGA Boundary	1 - 2 Trees	6 - 8 Trees
Suburb	2 - 4 Trees	8 - 10 Trees
Council Land	4 - 6 Trees	10 - 12 Trees
Golf Club		16 - 18 Trees

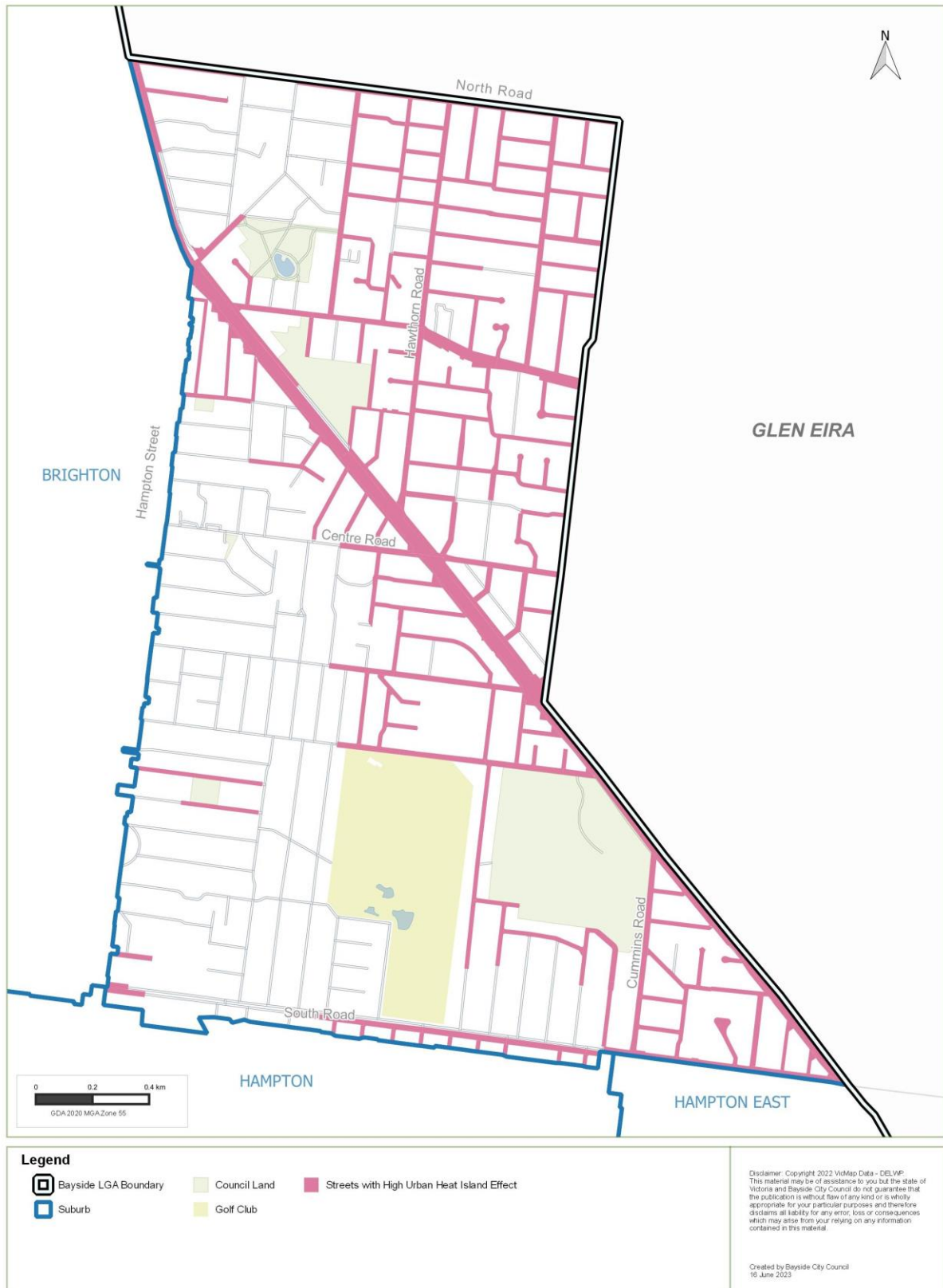
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Map 17 – Streets with less than 20% Tree Canopy Cover in Brighton East



Map 18 – Streets with High Urban Heat Island Effect in Brighton East



Implementation Plan

The following set of actions specifically identifies outcomes for trees and vegetation planting. They provide the framework for change within Brighton East with outcomes informed by all of the other factors outlined in previous sections of this Precinct Plan.

Phase	Objective	Action	Responsibility	Timeframe	Resources required	Measure
Create a diverse and healthy urban forest that reinforces greater outcomes for biodiversity.						
Action 1 Phase 1	Prioritise and increase planting on identified habitat and biodiversity corridors across public land to enhance habitat linkages.	<p>Investigate opportunities to provide increased understorey planting in areas identified as part of Council's <i>Park Improvement and Habitat Linkage Plan</i> (Map 10 - 11), including:</p> <p>Priority Habitat Improvement Areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landcox Park • Hurlingham Park • Little Brighton Reserve • Dendy Park • Brighton Public Golf Course. <p>Priority Linkage Improvement Areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landcox Park to Hurlingham Park via Sunnyside Avenue/ Union Avenue/ Francis Street • Landcox Park to Little Brighton Reserve via Union Street and/or Elster Creek • Brighton Public Golf Course to Dendy Park via Dendy Street • Studley Road via South Road to Bourneville Avenue. • South Road via Nepean Highway 	Open Space	Year 1 to 2	Budget allocated for 2022/23 and 2023/24 financial years.	<i>Park Improvement Habitat Linkage Plan</i> and the Urban Forest Strategy Annual Reporting Program.

Phase	Objective	Action	Responsibility	Timeframe	Resources required	Measure
		<p>Core habitat patches:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landcox Park • Hurlingham Park • Little Brighton Reserve • Dendy Park • Lucas Street Reserve • The Plantation. 				
Action 2 Phase 1	Enhance biodiversity outcomes on private land.	<p>Encourage private landowners to plant vegetation on private property and nature strips and provide support and tools to assist.</p> <p>To ensure new plants enhance habitat and biodiversity, Council officers should recommend appropriate plants listed in Appendix 3 Species Palette of this document</p>	Urban Strategy, Communication and Engagement	Ongoing	Budget will be required.	<p>Utilise engagement evaluation matrix to measure success.</p> <p>Number of community members involved in activities.</p> <p>Demand from residents for vegetation outside their house.</p>
Action 3 Phase 1 & 2	Create new open space, pocket parks, micro-forests in the suburb seeking new biodiversity or habitat corridors.	Investigate opportunities to create new public open space, pocket parks, micro forests, and habitat corridors, ensuring that the design of these spaces are contributing to Bayside's urban forest outcomes and the existing Ecological Vegetation Community.	Open Space	Ongoing	This can be considered as part of the Open Space Strategy review and can be considered with the resourcing of that project.	Council to prepare list of potential open space sites as part of the adoption of the Open Space Strategy review.
Action 4 Phase 1	Ensure humans and wildlife can simultaneously and safely access densely vegetated areas,	<p>Support the undergrounding of powerlines where it is at the request of the community and at their full cost.</p> <p>Facilitate the negotiations between the residents and relevant authorities to</p>	Asset Protection	Ongoing	No budget required	Number of streets where undergrounding of powerlines has been implemented

Phase	Objective	Action	Responsibility	Timeframe	Resources required	Measure
	streets and reserves	support the undergrounding of powerlines (and other services) if there is sufficient interest in a street.				
Enhance landscape outcomes and increase tree and vegetation cover to reach 30% across Brighton East by prioritising areas in greatest need						
Action 6 Phase 1	Increase tree and understorey cover at areas with greatest need to enhance landscape outcomes, provide for heating and cooling benefits and combat climate change.	<p>Investigate opportunities to increase canopy tree and understorey planting at the following streets which have been identified as having low canopy cover (less than 20%):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Milroy Street • Dendy Street <p>In addition, investigate opportunities to increase tree and understorey cover at the following streets which have been identified as hot spots due to potential impacts from Urban Heat Island effects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coronation Street, North Road, Landcox Street, • Northern Avenue, Eric Street, Charles Street, • Lansdown Street, Taylor Street, Hawthorn Road, • Louise Street, Weber Street, Lorrean Avenue, • Valanne Street, Bruce Street, Hodder Street, • Beltane Avenue, Thomas Street, Carween Avenue, • Allfrey Street, Moon Street, Murray Street, 	Open Space	Year 1 to 5	Budget and resources will be required to increase the number of trees and understorey plants to be planted.	In line with the review of the Precinct Plans, a comparison should be undertaken for all streets that currently have less than 20% canopy cover.

Phase	Objective	Action	Responsibility	Timeframe	Resources required	Measure
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bayview Road, Egan Street, Wrixon Avenue, • Charles Street, Lubrano Street, Dunoon Court, • Union Street, Trinity Court, Mackie Grove, • Cheeseman Avenue, Davey Avenue, Beedoe Avenue, • Rogers Avenue, Hornby Street, Gillard Street, • Clive Street, Kingston Street, Eloura Avenue, • Perry Street, Victory Court, Clinton Street, • Parkland Crescent, Palmer Avenue, Stradbroke Avenue, • Howell Street, Milliarda Grove, Granter Street, • Matthews Court, Berkeley Grove, Landcox Street, • Noel Street, Elizabeth Street, Aralee Place, Alexander Street, • Tregenna Court, Milroy Street, • Commercial precinct along Nepean Highway, • Blanche Street, Roseberry Avenue, Agnew Street, • Ferguson Street, Arnot Street, Primrose Crescent, • Cluden Street, Vilot Crescent, Lilac Crescent, • Centre Road, Ward Street, Wallen Street, 				

Phase	Objective	Action	Responsibility	Timeframe	Resources required	Measure
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Florence Street, Curley Street, Robinson Street, • Marriage Road, Lysander Street, Hughes Street, • Sara Avenue, Beenak Avenue, Dendy Street, • Brighton Secondary College, • Burwah Avenue, Glencairn Avenue, Prince Street • Lucas Street Reserve, • Melosa Avenue, Vernon Street, Percival Street, • Hansen Street, Dacey Street, Bourneville Avenue, • Sunlight Crescent, Arnold Road, Cummins Road, • South Road, Studley Road, Denton Street, • Janet Street, Dumaresq Street, Tuxen Court, • Tatong Road, Vincent Street, Carr Street, • Roberts Court, Gleniffer Avenue, Raymond Court, • Hemming Street, Barr Street, Kendall Street, • Smith Street, Olive Street, Barnett Street, • Ivy Street, Earlsfield Street, Bateman Street. 				
Action 7	Increase utilisation of green walls and	Investigate opportunities to introduce mechanisms to increase green roofs and walls within Activity Centres.	Development Services, Strategic Planning	Year 5 to 10	Resources will be required to initiate a	Number of green walls implemented.

Phase	Objective	Action	Responsibility	Timeframe	Resources required	Measure
Phase 2	green roofs in Activity Centre area.				Planning Scheme Amendment.	Urban Forest Strategy Annual Reporting Program.
Action 8 Phase 1 and 2	Reframe Council's approach to major council-owned projects, capital infrastructure renewal projects as opportunity to increase urban forestry outcomes.	Explore opportunities within road reconstruction projects to provide new tree plots as boulevard planting or in between car parking bays to enhance tree and vegetation cover upon local streets.	Project Services, City Assets	Ongoing	Budget will be considered as part of the project scope.	Number of plants planted.
Action 9 Phase 1	Increase tree canopy cover by prioritising vacant tree sites.	As part of the Annual Tree Planting Program prioritise planting at vacant sites.	Open Space, Urban Strategy	Ongoing	Budget and resources will be required to increase the number of trees and understorey plants to be planted.	Number of trees planted Urban Forest Strategy Annual Reporting Program.
Action 10 Phase 1	Ensure our urban forest is healthy and resilient.	As part of the Annual Tree Planting Program, Council should continue to choose species that are resilient and adaptive to the effects of climate change and increasing urban development. Property owners are also encouraged to select species that are resilient and adaptive through the planning and local law application processes.	Open Space, Development Services and Urban Strategy	Ongoing	Budget allocation as part of the Annual Tree Planting Program	Species planted. Urban Forest Strategy Annual Reporting Program.

Phase	Objective	Action	Responsibility	Timeframe	Resources required	Measure
Learn together, educate each other, encourage and celebrate greater care and protection of the Bayside Urban Forest						
Action 11 Phase 1	Increase planting on State owned roads that have less than 20% of tree canopy cover.	Advocate to VicRoads and other authorities for increased planting on Nepean Highway, Hawthorn Road, South Road, North Road, Centre Road, and Cummins Road.	Open Space, Urban Strategy, Communications and Engagement	Ongoing	Budget will be required for any additional planting or maintenance should Council take on those functions for land in State ownership.	A commitment made to plant trees on the streets maintained by VicRoads.
Action 12 Phase 1	Increase awareness amongst the community around the importance of vegetation through various programs and communication material.	Continue to run student and community educational programs to increase awareness around vegetation planting and protection.	Urban Strategy, Communication & Engagement	Ongoing	Budget may be required to create and implement educational programs.	Number of educational programs undertaken every year.
Action 13 Phase 1 and 2	Ensure humans and wildlife can simultaneously and safely access densely vegetated areas, streets and reserves.	Advocate to VicRoads and other authorities for the undergrounding of powerlines.	Urban Strategy	Ongoing	No budget required.	Funding received and/or partnerships created.
Maintain our existing canopy cover across Brighton East and avoid any further decline where possible						

Phase	Objective	Action	Responsibility	Timeframe	Resources required	Measure
Action 14 Phase 2	Ensure our urban forest is healthy and resilient.	Continue to assess trees that have limited useful life expectancy or are dead for potential retention as habitat trees using TRAQ (Tree Risk Assessment Tool).	Open Space	Year 5 to 10	Budget and resources will be required to assess trees for habitat and to plant understorey to support habitat trees.	Number of replacement plants planted, and number of trees retained for habitat. Urban Forest Strategy Annual Reporting Program
Action 15 Phase 1 and 2	Increase Council's ability to protect trees from vandalism.	Explore additional opportunities to minimise vandalism. Consider the preparation of a communications and engagement strategy targeted to private property owners and the wider community.	Local Laws, Open Space, Communications and Engagement	Year 1 to 5	Budget and resources will be required to explore opportunities.	Utilise engagement evaluation matrix to measure success.
Action 16 Phase 2	Provide safer and cleaner streets for our residents and visitors	As vegetation cover increases with time, ensure future maintenance contracts appropriately fund the clean-up of tree leaves and debris on roads, public land and in activity centres.	City Asset, Open Space	Ongoing	Additional budget will be required for maintenance contract.	The number of requests for additional service.
Action 17 Phase 1	Strengthen requirements and advocacy to maintain and increase vegetation on private land.	Prepare Planning Scheme Amendments to strengthen the protection of vegetation on private land.	Development Services, Urban Strategy	Year 1 to 5	Planning Scheme Amendment process to be funded via operation budget. Budget may be required to prepare detailed background information.	Preparation of Planning Scheme Amendments.

Appendix 1: Guiding Principles and Considerations

Council is responsible for the management of road reserves, parks, public spaces, and foreshore reserves and has an active tree planting and maintenance program, which is guided by the *Park and Street Tree Management Policy*. As such, Council has a greater degree of control and influence over the tree population on council-managed land.

Planting in streets and parks presents a variety of challenges and there are important principles to use in responding to those challenges that will help to meet the *Urban Forest Strategy* targets. A complete and expanded set of these principles is included in the *Street and Park Tree Selection Guide 2016* and should be referred to when designing or planting any streetscape.

Brighton East has a distinctive character that consists of varying native, indigenous and exotic species. Future planting should continue to enhance the diversity of the urban forest.

Planting types and locations in streets:

1. Large canopy trees

A single large canopy tree provides greater benefits in terms of cooling, rainwater interception and other ecosystem services than multiple small trees totalling the same canopy extent. Prioritise the use of large canopy trees in wider nature strips or tree islands, where there will be low impact to adjacent infrastructure.

We recognise that there are restrictions where medium or small size trees would be more appropriate due to competing infrastructure. Understorey planting, or multiple tree plantings in these locations is also encouraged.

2. Constrained planting spaces

- a.) *Cut-outs*. Planting in cut-outs in the road or footpaths provides a useful alternative where there may be insufficient space on the nature strip. Suitability for planting in the road or footpath will depend on road or footpath width and other factors such as traffic volume and impact to on-street parking.
- b.) *Planting in road reserve*. Designing in-road tree pits where there is opportunity to plant trees in between on-street parking spaces, traffic islands and buffer areas like street corners.
- c.) *Narrow streets*: Narrow streets, including narrow footpaths and no nature strips, are best landscaped via tree planting within the parking lanes to either side, although this is partly limited by the need to maintain car parking spaces.

3. Roundabouts

Roundabouts will be considered as opportunities to plant canopy trees and understorey planting when appropriate. New plantings must not affect sight lines, safety or accessibility for larger vehicles. To ensure future planting is appropriate a Road Safety Audit will be completed before and after installation.

4. Boulevards

For the boulevards, consider inter-planting with large canopy trees and shrubs to enhance the existing canopy cover.

5. Streets and powerlines:

- a.) *Residential streets*. Low voltage overhead wires are present on one side of most residential streets. Where medians exist for large canopy tree planting, medium trees on the side overhead constraints should be selected, Council will continue to investigate engineering and horticultural solutions to manage larger trees under powerlines..

- b.) *Streets with small nature strip and powerlines:* In streets that have small or very small nature strips, a smaller growing tree will be considered for the powerline side of the street. In those circumstances, the trees on both sides of the street should have similar foliage and form to provide a consistent theme for the street.
- c.) *Tree pruning:* In streets where footpath trees provide the only canopy, medium to large trees that can be effectively pruned around powerlines should be selected. Street and park tree selection for trees growing under power lines will consider the species' tolerance for pruning. For example, a tree that has a natural branching habit and a good wound response to mechanical damage would be considered an appropriate tree for growing under powerlines.
- d.) *Underground powerlines.* Although overhead powerlines are typically more economical, they are susceptible to damage from windborne tree branches, debris, and high wind conditions from extreme weather.

Council will facilitate the negotiations between the residents and relevant authorities to support the undergrounding of powerlines (and other services) if there is sufficient interest in a street.

6. Planting patterns and species choice

Brighton East's urban forest character is quite varied, with many of the council-managed spaces having a significant amount of gum trees, while exotic species are more prominent as street trees and upon private residential land. and there will continue to be a higher population of gum trees in Brighton East. In terms of opportunities to increase diversity in streets, kerb out stands, roundabouts and road ends should be considered as opportunities to plant species drawn from a wider palette that are unique to that location or intersection and provide visual interest. These areas should also be considered as opportunities to create landmark feature landscapes and to support understorey planting.

7. Important Facades

In streets with important public buildings or building that have heritage importance, deciduous trees should be given preference so that building façades are exposed over winter.

The convention of planting avenues, or consistent lines of a single species, can limit species diversity. However, avenue plantings are important to local character in many streets and open spaces. To balance these two conflicting pressures, it is important to identify ways to minimise the extent of homogeneous avenue planting while maintaining a strong design outcome.

8. Selection criteria for street trees:

The following factors can be considered for selection of suitable street tree species:

- Relationship with local landscape character
 - garden character, surrounding streetscape
 - vegetation protection overlays, heritage values
 - maintain existing landscape character by selection of low fruiting cultivators where possible
 - replacing difficult to replace existing species with species demonstrating similar characteristics, e.g. growth habit, foliage colour and size.
- Ability to tolerate and thrive in a site's environmental conditions: species that have or can adapt to local conditions like climate, soil, coastal and salt tolerances, pests and diseases.
- Possible future damage to infrastructure as assessed against identified current issues with footpaths, kerb and channel, roadways, private infrastructure and powerlines

9. Permeable surfaces

Impermeable surfaces such as pavements, roofing and building coverage increase the risk of flooding in urban areas. Comparatively, permeable surfaces are made of porous materials that allow stormwater to flow through, which reduces the volume of stormwater runoff that enters the drainage

system. This helps improve water quality as it reduces the number of pollutants that enter waterways and habitats.

For new private residential development, at least 20% of the site should have surfaces that can absorb water such as lawns, garden beds or permeable paving. The council has developed the *Integrated Water Management Plan 2019-2039*, called 'Water for Bayside', to provide clear direction to deliver high priority integrated water management and water sensitive urban design (WSUD) activities. A key technique to improve water management is to increase permeability and incorporate WSUD into new developments and council projects.





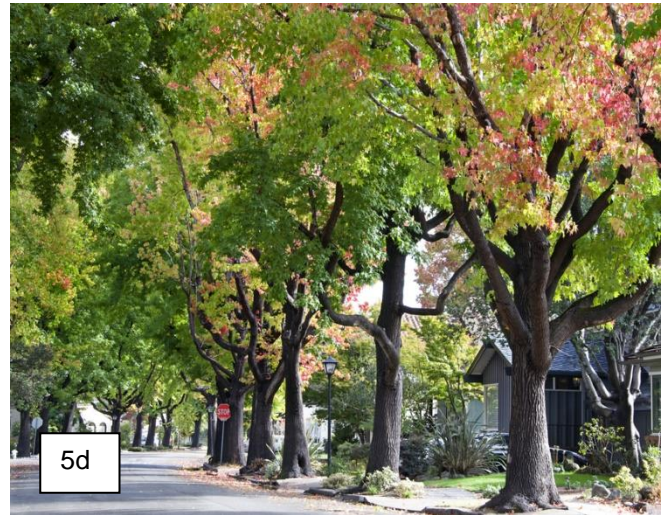
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Appendix 2: Case Studies

The following case studies showcase high-quality. A precinct's landscape helps define its character in much the same way as architecture or urban design because trees and other vegetation physically define a place. Landscapes are the setting for many everyday recreational and leisure activities and help forge a sense of connection to place.

Milliara Grove

The avenue of English Oaks along Milliara Grove provides an excellent example of how canopy trees can be celebrated in Bayside. This established avenue of exotic tree plantings should be retained to preserve the history and character of the street. The tree-lined streetscape within Brighton East forms a distinctive part of Bayside's urban forest.



1. Milliara Grove, Brighton East

Milroy Street

This example combines a mix of large exotic succulents with smaller, shrubby grasses. This contributes to the neighborhood character of Brighton East. This would be improved by substituting Indigenous and Native counterparts to the existing exotic succulents.



2 Milroy Street, Brighton East

City of Melbourne Streetscape Biodiversity Case Study

A precinct's landscape helps define its character in much the same way as architecture or urban design because trees and other vegetation physically define a place. Landscapes are the setting for many everyday recreational opportunities such as organised sport, walking or having a picnic and therefore help forge a sense of connection to place.

The *City of Melbourne's Streetscape Biodiversity Case Study* provides an example of high-quality landscaping that focuses on utilising native species to create attractive streetscapes and biodiversity corridors. The City of Melbourne collaborated with the University of Melbourne to develop and test an understorey plant palette designed to increase streetscape biodiversity in the urban environment. In 2018, the plant palette was integrated into four streetscapes within the City of Melbourne, Clowes Street, Docklands Drive, Park Street and Arden Street. The understorey plant palette focused on predominantly native species, comprising perennial herbs, grasses and shrubs that were aesthetically attractive, low maintenance and tolerant to environmental challenges like drought. The species were also selected based on what resources they could provide to birds, bees and butterflies such as pollen and nectar. Increasing understorey planting along streets is a successful and cost-effective way to improve biodiversity, amenity and function whilst creating a more ecologically connected urban landscape. The examples provided can be replicated within Bayside by council and residents to increase vegetation and provide habitat for local fauna.



Original condition as a bitumen footpath (April 2017).



Plant installation (April 2018).



Post-plant installation (November 2018).



Post-plant installation (November 2019). Photo: David Hannah.

2. Construction and growth of the Clowes Street biodiversity planting site

Village Zero – Sandringham

'Village Zero' is a community-driven initiative with the goal of regenerating the Sandringham Village Major Activity Centre through sustainable solutions.

The action group has identified seven areas of focus, these are:

1. Renewable Energy
2. Waste
3. Green Spaces
4. Transport
5. Water
6. Art
7. Culture

The relevant action to the Precinct Plans is Green Spaces.

This focus area aims to:

- Connect green and open spaces to surrounding pollinator corridors, to promote biodiversity and support local ecosystems. This could include planting native flowers and shrubs, and creating habitats for bees, butterflies, and birds. This includes investigating the viability of green infrastructure, such as creating green roofs, and vertical gardens for apartment buildings;
- Increase access to green and open spaces, maximising flexibility of spaces for multiple uses and users, in accordance with Bayside Council's "Open Spaces" policies. Prioritise accessibility for people living with disabilities, youth and the elderly in the design and development of green and open spaces. This could include incorporating features such as raised garden beds, wheelchair-accessible pathways, and age-appropriate playground equipment. Improved accessibility will interface with other infrastructure initiatives such as crossing improvements at Abbott Street, across Station Street, and Beach Road;
- Coordinate with the community to increase the uptake of Bayside Council's tree-planting commitment for nature strips;
- Increase community enjoyment of streets, open and green spaces through community building events and activities;
- Align with and enabling other partners in supporting and nurturing green spaces;
- Engage the community in the planning, design, and maintenance of green and open spaces. This could include activities such as community clean-ups, volunteer gardening days, and educational workshops;
- Create and connect community gardens and orchards, which allow for community members to grow their own produce and educate the community on sustainable food production and consumption.

Council will continue to assist the 'Village Zero' project and will support any future initiatives that focus on increasing vegetation cover in activity centres.

Appendix 3: Brighton East Species Palette

Species Palette

The following species provided are of guidance only. The Ecological Vegetation Classes (EVC) that exist in Brighton East have informed the species palette as they focus on retaining and increasing native vegetation. In the suburb of Brighton East, the EVCs found are Damp Sands Herb-rich Woodland / Grassy Woodland (719).⁷ By prioritising the listed species, emphasis will be given on restoring native vegetation, to replicate the original vegetation of the area.

The prepared species palette for Brighton East seeks to enhance the already diverse urban forest while also ensuring the species are complimentary to the EVCs found within the suburb. A high diversity of plant species improves the chance of local ecosystems to survive destructive events or processes such as weed and pest animal invasion and climate change. Planting of specific species will depend on the geographic and environmental conditions, as well as the surrounding neighbourhood character.

When selecting tree and vegetation species for planting on Council-managed streets, parks and reserves, Council will consider existing infrastructure to minimise potential impact. This will ensure that Council can increase vegetation cover whilst protecting existing infrastructure and reducing demand for maintenance.

Bayside City Council utilises the Street and Park Tree Management Policy and the Street and Park Tree Selection Guide when planting in streets, parks, and reserves or as part of capital infrastructure projects.

A high diversity of plant species improves the chance of local ecosystems to survive destructive events or processes such as weed and pest animal invasion and climate change. Planting of specific species will depend on the geographic and environmental conditions, as well as the surrounding neighborhood character.

The following list of Indigenous, native and exotic plants is provided as guidance only. The list is split into 8 categories:

- Large canopy trees
- Medium canopy trees
- Small canopy trees
- Medium to large shrubs
- Small shrubs
- Grasses & tussocks
- Groundcovers & wildflowers
- Climbers

Each list is accompanied by a key which categorises each plant based on its characteristics (Height and spread at maturity, Uses/traits, habitat, tolerances, sunlight, flowering period, flowering colours and EVC number if applicable).

Indigenous Plants

Council promotes the use of indigenous plants as they occur naturally within Bayside and have adapted to the conditions within the local environment (soil and climate) whilst also providing habitat and food for local birds, insects, and other native animals. There are a number of indigenous trees listed within the Street and Park Tree Selection Guide which are planted as part of Council's Annual Tree Planting Program.

Indigenous plants are the original flora, or plants that occur naturally, in a given location. Indigenous plants have adapted to the soils, topography and climate of the local area because they have evolved

to the conditions within the local environment. Indigenous species also help to maintain the ecological balance of the local ecosystem, as plants and animals depend upon one another for their survival.

Native and Exotic Plants

Native species are plant species that did not historically originate within the bayside region but were extant in other regions within the Australian continent. Exotic species are those plants that have been introduced and are not native to Australia and therefore did not historically occur within Bayside.

Bayside's urban forest is a mix of native, indigenous, and exotic species. While priority is placed on increasing the use of indigenous species, the historic planting of exotic, native and indigenous species is a core element of the character in certain areas of Bayside.

The use of native and exotic plants in this list is encouraged in areas where it is considered to have a positive impact on the surrounding environment and neighbourhood. This is of relevance where the existing plant(s) enhances the neighbourhood character. In these areas replanting like for like is encouraged.

Council utilises native and exotic species as part of its annual planting program. To ensure long term resilience and increase survival rates, native and exotic species adapted to Bayside's forecast climate will be considered for planting. Council utilises the Street and Park Tree Selection Guide to inform the annual tree planting program.

Species Palette 1 – Large Trees

INDIGENOUS TO PROVIDENCE (Grown at nursery/within Bayside)		Uses/Traits key										Habitat Key											
INDIGENOUS (Grown Outside Bayside)		R - Robust and Hardy LM - Low Maintenance S - Shade F - Feature Sh - Prefers or tolerates full shade										H - Heath/Woodland M - Moist/Closed forest C - Coast - dune scrub & woodland D - Prefers dry, well drained soils & tolerates dryness once established. W - Prefers or tolerates moist soils, wetness, periodic inundation A - Adaptable, growing well in most soil types											
NATIVE TREES (From Australia)		Full Sun = FS										High = tolerates well without damage.											
EXOTIC (From outside Australia)		Part Shade = PS										complete range = Fair = can tolerate medium levels											
Additional Species		Shade = FSH										acid to neutral = Moderate = tolerates somewhat with some effects in low levels											
PLEASE NOTE THE BELOW INFORMATION IS A GUIDE ONLY												acid Low = suffers serious damage to death if exposed											
Species in the below species is preferred but not limited to these species												Alkaline to neutral											
Species capable of reaching 9m+ and canopy spreads greater than 8m+												E=Evergreen D=Deciduous											
												Please contact your local nursery or a horticultural professional for further advice. All indigenous plants provide habitat & food for local birds, insects & animals.											
BOTANICAL NAME		COMMON NAME		EVC's Ecological Vegetation Class										Tolerances									
Mat.	HEIGHT	Mat.	CANOPY	Growth Rate	EVC	Sunlight	Wind	Salinity	Sea Spray	Drought	Waterlogging	Compaction	PH	Flowering Months	Flower colours	E/D	Habitat	Uses/Traits					
Acacia melanoxylon	Blackwood	12	8	Moderate	719, 3	SS-FS	Fair	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	High	Moderate	Acid	Jul-Oct	Pale yellow/White	E	ADW	LM, S, R, Bird attracting, Hedging, Screening, Toxic or allergenic					
Eucalyptus camaldulensis	River Red Gum	20	15	Moderate	n/a	FS	High	High	Moderate	High	High	Fair	Complete Range	Dec.	White	E	HA	LM, S, Windbreak, Erosion control, Robust, Structural, Attractive Bark, Bird-attracting, Aromatic					
Eucalyptus melliodora	Yellow Box	16	12	Moderate	n/a	FS	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	Low	Low	Complete Range	Mar/Sep-Dec	White	E	HA	LM, S, R, Fragrant flowers, Aromatic leaves, Bird-attracting					
Eucalyptus ovata	Swamp Gum	10	8	Moderate	707	FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	High	Acid	Mar-Jun.	White	E	HW	LM, S, R, Attractive bark, Bird attracting, Aromatic leaves					
Eucalyptus radata	Narrow-leaved Peppermint	15	10	Moderate	892	FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	High	Moderate	Moderate	Complete Range	Jan/Oct-Dec	White	E	HD	LM, S, R, Bird attracting, Aromatic leaves					
Eucalyptus viminalis subsp. pryoriana	Manna Gum	15	12	Fast	919, 719, 892, 3	FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Acid to Neutral	Mar-May	White	E	HCD	LM, S, R, Attractive bark, Bird attracting, Aromatic leaves					
Eucalyptus cephalocarpa	Silver-leaved Stringybark	13	11	Moderate-slow	n/a	FS	Fair	Moderate	Moderate	High	Fair	Fair	Acid to Neutral	May-Jul.	Creamy-White/yellow	E	MW	R, LM, Bird-attracting, aromatic leaves, shading, screening, cut flower, bush garden					
Eucalyptus mannifera subsp. Connata	Yellow Gum	12	10	Moderate-slow	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	High	Complete range	May-Sep.	Creamy-White/yellow	E	MW	R, LM, attractive bark, bird attracting, aromatic leaves					
Agonis flexuosa	Weeping Willow Myrtle	12	12	Moderate-slow	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Fair	Fair	High	Low	Low	Acid to Neutral	Sep-Dec.	White	E	CA	Aromatic leaves, colourful foliage, screening, shading, bush garden					
Angophora costata	Smooth-barked Apple	15	12	Moderate	n/a	FS	Fair	Moderate	High	High	Low	Fair	Acid to Neutral	Dec.	Bright Cream/White	E	CHD	LM, S, R, Attractive Bark					
Angophora floribunda	Rough Barked Apple	15	12	Moderate	n/a	FS	Fair	Moderate	Fair	Fair	Low	Moderate	Complete Range	Sep-Dec.	Bright Cream/White	E	HMW	LM, S, R					
Corymbia citriodora (native)	Lemon-Scented	20	12	Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Fair	Moderate	Moderate	Acid to Neutral	Jul-Nov.	White	E	CHD	R, LM, Aromatic leaves, attractive bark, architectural form, street tree					
Corymbia eximia	Yellow Bloodwood	15	8	Moderate	n/a	FS	Fair	Moderate	Fair	High	Moderate	Moderate	Acid	Nov-Dec.	Bright White/Cream	E	HA	LM, S, R, Bird attracting					
Corymbia ficifolia	Red-flowering Gum	15	12	Slow-Moderate	n/a	FS	Fair	Moderate	Fair	High	Low	Low	Complete Range	Mar	Bright Red/Ornk/Orange	E	DW	LM, S, R, Bird attracting, Screening					
Corymbia maculata	Spotted Gum	18	8	Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Fair	High	High	Complete Range	Apr-Jun.	White	E	DA	LM, S, R, Attractive Bark, Bird attracting, Street tree					
Eucalyptus Baxteri	Brown Stringybark	20	10	Moderate-Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Acid to Neutral		White								
Eucalyptus cinerea	Mealy Stringybark	12	10	Moderate-slow	n/a	FS	Fair	Fair	Moderate	High	Fair	Fair	Acid to Neutral	May-Jul.	White	E	HD	R, LM, Bird-attracting, aromatic leaves, shading, screening, cut flower, bush garden					
Eucalyptus comuta	Yate	10	10	Moderate	n/a	FS	Fair	Fair	Fair	Fair	Unknown	Unknown	Complete range	Sep-Nov.	Yellow	E	CD	R, LM, attractive bark, bird-attracting, aromatic leaves, screening, shading, bush garden					
Eucalyptus largiflorens	Black Box	14	12	Slow	n/a	FS	High	High	Fair	High	Moderate	Unknown	Complete range	All	White	E	MW	Screening, shelter					
Eucalyptus mannifera	Red Spotted Gum	12	10	Moderate-fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Moderate	Complete range	Apr-Jun.	White	E	HD	R, LM, attractive bark, bird-attracting, aromatic leaves, shading, accent tree, bush garden					
Eucalyptus microcarpa	Grey Box	15	10	Moderate	n/a	FS	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	Fair	Fair	Complete Range	Feb-Jul.	White	E	HD	LM, S, R, Bird attracting, Aromatic leaves					
Eucalyptus nicholii	Narrow-leaved Black Pepper	14	12	Moderate	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Fair	Fair	Acid	Apr, May-Sep.	Creamy-White/White	E	HD	attractive bark, foliage interest, bird-attracting, shading, bush garden, aromatic leaves					
Eucalyptus polyanthemus subsp. vestita	Red Box	10	8	Moderate	n/a	FS	High	Low	Moderate	High	Moderate	Moderate	Complete Range	Sep-Nov.	White	E	AW	S, R, Interesting Silver Foliage, Attractive bark, Bird attracting, Aromatic leaves					
Eucalyptus rubida	Candlebark Gum	9	9	Fast	n/a	FS	High	Low	Low	Fair	Moderate	Low	Complete Range	Nov-Feb.	White	E	DA	S, Feature for Large Gardens, Interesting Bark, Fauna Attracting					
Eucalyptus saligna	Sydney Blue Gum	10	15	Very Fast	n/a	FS	Fair	Low	Fair	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Complete Range	Jan-Apr.	White	E	MW	LM, S, R, Attractive Bark, Bird attracting					
Eucalyptus scoparia	Wallangarra White Gum	12	10	Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Unknown	Acid to Neutral	Dec.	White	E	HD	attractive bark and foliage, bird-attracting, aromatic, shading, accent tree, bush garden					
Eucalyptus sideroxylon	Red Ironbark	15	8	Moderate	n/a	FS	High	Low	Moderate	High	Moderate	Moderate	Complete Range	May-Aug.	Red or Pink	E	DH	LM, S, R, Attractive bark, Bird attracting, Winter interest, Aromatic leaves, Screening, Accent					
Eucalyptus tetricornis	Forest red gum	15	12	Fast	n/a	FS	Low	High	High	High	Moderate	Low	Acid to Neutral	Mar-May/June-Nov.	White	E	CW	S, Sheltering, Ornamental, Wildlife attracting, Large flowering period					
Ficus macrophylla	Morerton Bay Fig	60	10	Fast	n/a	FS	High	Moderate	High	High	Moderate	High	Complete Range	Sept-April	reddish purple fruit	E	MCA	R, LM Attracts seed eating birds and bats.					
Ficus rubiginosa	Port Jackson Fig	10	10	Moderate	n/a	FS-PS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Low	Complete range	Sep-Dec.	Yellow fruit over summer	E	C, D, A	CA, Feature tree. Fruit eaten by birds, bats and flying foxes					
Grevillea robusta	Silky Oak	20	15	Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	High	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	Complete range	Nov.	Orange-Red	E	D	C, D, A, Important source of food for nectar feeding birds and fruit bats and bees					
Lagostemon confertus	Brush Box	13	12	Moderate-fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Moderate	Fair	Acid	Sep-Dec.	White	E	CA	R, LM, attractive bark, shading, street tree, bush garden					
Wollemia nobilis	Wollemi Pine	20	10	Fast	n/a	SS-FS	Fair	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Acid	N/A	Cones	E	MW	F, Architectural form, foliage interest, Accent tree, Container					
Arucaria heterophylla	Norfolk Island Pine	20	15	Fast	n/a	FS	High	Fair	High	Fair	Moderate	Fair	Complete Range	N/A	Cones	E	CD	LM, R, Architectural form, Accent tree, Contained					
Cedrus deodara	Deodar Cedar	18	15	Moderate-Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Complete Range	N/A	Cones	E	HD	S, Architectural form, Accent tree					
Fraxinus Raywood	Claret Ash	12	9	Moderate-fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	High	Complete range	Nov-Dec.	Green	D	HW	autumn colour, clourful foliage, shading, accent tree					
Fraxinus pennisylvanica	Green Ash	12	10	Moderate	n/a	FS	High	Moderate	High	High	Unknown	Unknown	Complete range	Sep-Nov.	Green	D	MW	Street tree, Good form, adaptable to site					
Gleditsia triacanthos	Honey Locust	12	12	Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Fair	Moderate	Fair	Low	High	Complete range	Oct-Nov.	Greenish-yellow	D	HD	colourful foliage, attractive bark, autumn colour, allergenic, spiny					
Liquidambar styraciflua	American Sweetgum	15	10	Moderate-Fast	n/a	SS-FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	Fair	Acid to Neutral	Oct.	Greenish-white	D	MW	aromatic leaves, autumn colour, shading, street tree, deciduous					
Magnolia grandiflora	Bull Bay	12	12	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Complete range	Nov-Dec.	Creamy-white	E	MW	Interesting foliage, fragrant flowers, screening, shading					
Platanus acerifolia	London Plane	16	15	Moderate-Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Fair	High	Complete range	Sept.	Green	D	HW	attractive bark, Screening, shading, street tree, deciduous					
Quercus coccinea	Scarlet Oak	13	12	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	Acid	Sep.	Yellow-Green	D	HD	autumn colour, screening, shading, green flowers, red leaves					
Quercus palustris	Pin Oak	15	12	Moderate-Fast	n/a	SS-FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	High	Complete Range	Sep.	Yellowish-Green	D	MW	S, Autumn colour, Interesting foliage, Screening					
Quercus rubra	Northern Red Oak	14	12	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Complete range	Sep.	Reddish Green	D	HD	autumn colour, shading, screening					
Schinus molle	American Pepper	12	12	Moderate-fast	n/a	FS	Fair	Low	Moderate	High	Moderate	Moderate	Complete range	Sep-Dec.	White/yellow	E	CD	Aromatic leaves, colourful fruit, interesting foliage, attractive bark					
Sequoia sempervirens	Coast Redwood	20	10	Moderate	n/a	SS-FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	Low	Acid	N/A	Cones, Yellow/Brown/Green	E	MW	F, Accent tree, Architectural form					
Tilia cordata cultivars	Small-leaved Linden	15	10	Moderate	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Complete Range	Nov-Dec.	Yellowish White	D	HW	S, Fragrant flowers, autumn colour, Architectural form, Accent tree					
Ulmus glabra 'lutescens'	Golden Wych Elm	12	12	Moderate	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Fair	Unknown	Complete range	Sep.	Brown	D	HW	colourful foliage, shading, accent tree					
Ulmus parvifolia	Chinese Elm or Lacebark	12	12	Moderate-fast	n/a	PS-FS	High	Moderate	Fair	Fair	Moderate	Moderate	Complete range	Mar-May.	Green	D	HW	attractive bark, screening, shading, street tree					
Ulmus procera	English Elm	16	12	Moderate	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	High	Complete range	Sep.	Reddish-Purple	D	HD	S, Autumn colour, Architectural form					
Zelkova serrata	Japanese Zelkova	14	12	Moderate-fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Complete range	Sep-Nov.	Yellow-Green	D	HW	attractive bark, autumn colour, shading					

Species Palette 2 – Medium Trees

INDIGENOUS TO PROVENCE (Grown at nursery/within Bayside)		Uses/Traits key		Habitat Key		Tolerances		Flowering Months		Flower colours		E/D		Habitat		Uses/Traits		
INDIGENOUS (Grown Outside Bayside)		R - Robust and Hardy		H - Heath/Woodland		High = tolerates well without damage.		complete range		Fair = can tolerate medium levels		acid to neutral		Moderate = tolerates somewhat with some effects in low levels		acid low = suffers serious damage to death if exposed		
NATIVE TREES (From Australia)		Full Sun = FS		M - Moist/Closed forest		UPL = Under Power Lines		Unknown		E=Evergreen		D=Deciduous		Please contact your local nursery or a horticultural professional for further advice.				
EXOTIC (From outside Australia)		Part Shade=PS		C - Coast - dune scrub & woodland										All indigenous plants provide habitat & food for local birds, insects & animals.				
Additional Species		Shade = FSH		D - Prefers dry, well drained soils & tolerates dryness once established.														
*PLEASE NOTE THE BELOW INFORMATION IS A GUIDE ONLY		F - Feature		W - Prefers or tolerates moist soils, wetness, periodic inundation														
Use of any of the below species is preferred but not limited to these species		Sh - Prefers or tolerates full shade		A - Adaptable, growing well in most soil types														
SPECIES THAT GROW TO A HEIGHT GREATER THAN 5m, AND CANOPY GREATER THAN 6m ² AT MATURITY		EVC Ecological Vegetation Class		Tolerances		Flowering Months		Flower colours		E/D		Habitat		Uses/Traits				
BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	Mat. HEIGHT	Mat. CANOPY	Growth Rate	EVC	Sunlight	Wind	Salinity	Sea Spray	Drought	Waterlogging	Compaction	SOIL PH	Flowering Months	Flower colours	E/D	Habitat	Uses/Traits
<i>Acacia meunsi</i>	Black Wattle	9	6	Fast	719, 3	FS	High	Low	Moderate	High	Fair	High	Acid	Sep-Nov.	Pale yellow or Cream	E	MW	R, LM, Bird-attracting, screening, shading, bush garden, fragrant flowers
<i>Allocasuarina littoralis</i>	Black She-oak	9	6	Slow	719, 3	PS-FS	High	High	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	Complete range	Apr-May.	Red	E	CA	R, LM, foliage interest, screening, shading, bush garden, bird-attracting
<i>Allocasuarina verticillata</i>	Drooping She-oak	9	6	Moderate-slow	n/a	FS	High	High	High	High	Fair	Fair	Complete range	Mar-Dec.	Red	E	HD	architectural form, foliage interest, bird-attracting, screening, UPL, street tree, bush garden
<i>Banksia integrifolia</i>	Coast Banksia	10	6	Moderate	919, 921	FS	High	High	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	Complete range	Mar-Sep.	Lemon yellow to Red	E	CD	R, bird-attracting, foliage interest, screening, shading, Street tree
<i>Eucalyptus ovata</i>	Swamp Paperbark	10	6	Moderate	707	FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	High	Acid	Mar-Jun.	Creamy-White	E	MW	LM, S, R, Attractive bark, bird-attracting, aromatic
<i>Eucalyptus pauciflora</i>	Snow Gum	10	7	Moderate-fast	n/a	FS	High	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Moderate	Acid	Aug-Nov.	White or Cream	E	HD	LM, S, R, attractive bark and foliage, bird-attracting, Aromatic, Accent tree
<i>Allocasuarina torulosa</i>	Rose She-oak	10	7	Fast	n/a	FS	High	High	Fair	Fair	Moderate	High	Acid to Neutral	Mar-Aug.	Red and brown	E	HD	Wind break, unique sound, screening, windbreak, decorative fruit
<i>Brachychiton populneus (Native)</i>	Kurrajong	15	6	Fast	n/a	FS	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	Low	Low	Complete range	Sep-April	White, red, pink	E	C,D	R, FM, Attracts bees, seed eating birds, butterflies, insects
<i>Brachychiton rupestris (Native)</i>	Queensland bottle tree	15	6	Slow	n/a	FS	High	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	Complete range	Oct-Dec	Cream	D	C,D	R, LM, F, Bird attracting flowers.
<i>Brachychiton acerifolius</i>	Illawarra flame tree	12	6	Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Acid	Sep-Dec.	Red	D	DW	Attracts bees, nectar eating birds, butterflies, other insect
<i>Melia azedarach (Native)</i>	White cedar	10	6	Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	High	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	Complete range	Sep-Nov	Lilac flowers	D	CDWA	R, LM, S, F, Bird and bats are attracted to the berries.
<i>Syzygium paniculatum (Native)</i>	Brush cherry	15	8	Moderate to Fast	n/a	FS-PS	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	High	Acid to Neutral	Nov-Jan.	White	E	M,C,A	LM, S, R, Bird and bee attracting
<i>Syzygium australe (native)</i>	Lilly Pilly	10	6	Fast	n/a	FS	High	High	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Complete range	Sep-Oct	White/Cream	E	WA	RL Flowers and berries attracts birds and bats.
<i>Acer rubrum 'Brandywine'</i>	Maple, Autumn Flame	9	6	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Acid	Sep-Oct.	Bright Red	D	MW	S, Autumn Colour - Orange to purple-red, foliage interest, Ornamental
<i>Acer rubrum 'October Glory'</i>	Maple, Lipstick Tree	12	9	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Acid	Sep-Oct.	Red or orange	D	MW	S, Foliage interest, Ornamental, Autumn colours - *superior if grown in full sun
<i>Acer x freemanii</i>	Armstrong	12	6	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Acid	Sep-Oct.	Red	D	MW	S, Autumn Colour, foliage interest, Ornamental
<i>Catalpa bignonioides</i>	Indian Bean Tree	10	7	Fast	n/a	FS	Low	Low	Low	Fair	Moderate	Unknown	Complete range	Nov-Dec.	White	D	MW	interesting foliage, autumn colour, shading, accent
<i>Celastrus occidentalis</i>	Blackberry	8	8	Moderate	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	Complete range	Sep-Nov.	Yellowish Green	D	HD	S, Autumn colour, Attractive bark
<i>Fraxinus excelsior 'Aurea'</i>	Golden Ash	10	3	Moderate	n/a	FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	High	Complete range	Sep-Oct.	Green	D	HW	LM, S, R, Colourful foliage, Autumn colour
<i>Jacaranda mimosaefolia</i>	Jacaranda	12	8	Slow	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Fair	Complete range	Oct-Nov.	bluish-purple	D	CD	interesting and aesthetic foliage, blue flowers, shading, accent tree
<i>Metrosideros excelsa</i>	Pohutukawa	10	8	Moderate-slow	n/a	FS	High	Moderate	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	Complete range	Dec.	Crimson and yellow	E	CA	R, LM, attractive bark, bird-attracting, hedging, screening, shading
<i>Pyrus calleryana</i> and other cultivars	Flowering Pear	10	4-8	Fast	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Fair	High	High	Complete range	Sep-Oct.	White	D	HW	S, Screening, Street tree, Autumn colour

Species Palette 3 – Small Tree

INDIGENOUS TO PROVENCE (Grown at nursery/within Bayside)		Uses/Traits key		Habitat Key		Tolerances		Flowering Months		Flower colours		E/D		Habitat		Uses/Traits		
INDIGENOUS (Grown Outside Bayside)		R - Robust and Hardy		H - Heath/Woodland		High = tolerates well without damage.		complete range		Fair = can tolerate medium levels		acid to neutral		Moderate = tolerates somewhat with some effects in low levels		acid low = suffers serious damage to death if exposed		
NATIVE TREES (From Australia)		Full Sun = FS		M - Moist/Closed forest		UPL = Under Power Lines		Unknown		E=Evergreen		D=Deciduous		Please contact your local nursery or a horticultural professional for further advice.				
EXOTIC (From outside Australia)		Part Shade=PS		C - Coast - dune scrub & woodland										All indigenous plants provide habitat & food for local birds, insects & animals.				
Additional Species		Shade = FSH		D - Prefers dry, well drained soils & tolerates dryness once established.														
*PLEASE NOTE THE BELOW INFORMATION IS A GUIDE ONLY		F - Feature		W - Prefers or tolerates moist soils, wetness, periodic inundation														
Use of any of the below species is preferred but not limited to these species		Sh - Prefers or tolerates full shade		A - Adaptive, can grow in most soil types														
SMALL CANOPY TREES - Species that reach 6-8metres in height and a spread of 4m @ maturity		EVC Ecological Vegetation Class		Tolerances		Flowering Months		Flower colours		E/D		Habitat		Uses/Traits				
BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	Mat. HEIGHT	Mat. CANOPY	Growth Rate	EVC	Sunlight	Wind	Salinity	Sea Spray	Drought	Waterlogging	Compaction	SOIL PH	Flowering Months	Flower colours	E/D	Habitat	Uses/Traits
<i>Acacia implexa</i>	Lightwood	8	4	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Fair	Moderate	Moderate	High	Fair	Fair	Acid	Dec	Cream-white	E	HDA	R, LM, S, Bird-attracting, attractive bark, screening.
<i>Leptospermum laevigatum</i>	Coast Tea-tree	6	3	Moderate	919, 921	FS	High	High	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	Complete range	Aug-Oct.	White	E	CA	R, LM, Bird-attracting, hedging, screening
<i>Bursaria spinosa</i>	Sweet Bursaria	6	3	Moderate-Fast	n/a	PS-FS	Fair	Fair	Fair	High	Fair	Fair	Acid to Neutral	Mar-Dec.	Cream-white	E	FDA	R, LM, Fragrant, thorns, hedging, screening, UPL
<i>Banksia marginata</i>	Silver Banksia	5	3	Moderate	719, 892, 3	PS-FS	High	High	High	Fair	Fair	Moderate	Acid to Neutral	Mar, May-Nov.	Pale Yellow	E	HCDA	R, LM, S, Bird-attracting, Winter features, Screening, UPL
<i>Melaleuca squarrosa</i>	Scented Paperbark	3	1.5	Moderate	n/a	FS-FS	High	Moderate	Fair	Moderate	High	High	Complete range	Sep-Dec.	Cream-White	E	HMW	R, LM, S, Bird-attracting, Fragrant, screen, UPL, Ornament pond
<i>Acacia pendula</i>	Weeping Myall	6	3	Slow-Moderate	n/a	FS	High	Low	High	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Complete range	May, Jul-Oct.	Yellow/Creamy white	E	CD	R, LM, Fragrant, thorns, hedging, screening, UPL
<i>Angophora hispida (Native)</i>	Dwarf apple gum	7	5	Moderate	n/a	FS	High	High	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Acid - neutral	Sep-Dec.	Cream-White	E	CA	R, LM, F, Attracts honey eaters and other nectar eating birds
<i>Banksia grandis</i>	Bull Banksia	8	4	Moderate	n/a	FS	High	High	High	High	Low	Low	Mild acidic to Mild alkaline	Mar, May, Aug-Dec.	Yellow-Creamy green	E	MW	R, LM, S, Bird-attracting, Winter features, Screening, UPL
<i>Banksia serrata</i>	Saw Banksia	5	5	Slow	n/a	PS-FS	High	High	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	Mild acidic to Mild alkaline	Sep-Oct.	Red	E	WA	R, F, Attractive new foliage, showy bird attractant flowers
<i>Callistemon viminalis (native)</i>	Weeping Callistemon	4	4	Fast	n/a	FS-PS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	High	Moderate	Complete range	Sep-Oct.	Red	E	DA	R, LM, bird attractant
<i>Cupaniopsis anacardioides (native)</i>	Tuckeroo	7	4	Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	High	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Complete range	Sep-Oct.	White	E	DA	R, LM, bird attractant
<i>Eucalyptus viridis</i>	Green mallee	7	4	Slow-Moderate	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	High	Moderate	Moderate	Mild acidic to Mild alkaline	Dec-Mar	White	E	CA	R, LM, attractive small eucalypt, attracts bees and nectar eating birds.
<i>Galearia paniculata (native)</i>	Wilga	8	6	Slow	n/a	FS	High	High	Moderate	High	Low	Low	Alkaline	June-Nov	White	E	DA	R, LM, ornamental, hardy species that attracts birds, butterflies, lady beetles.
<i>Hakea spp. (native)</i>	Hakea	6	4	Moderate to Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	Low	Moderate	Acid	May, Jul-Oct.	various	E	CD	R, F, bird and butterfly attracting, cockatoos, iconic australian native
<i>Hymenosporum flavum (Native)</i>	Native frangipani	8	4	Slow-Moderate	n/a	FS-PS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	High	Low	Low	Acid - neutral	March to July	Blue-black edible fruit	E	MW	R, bird attracting, screening, decorative fruit, foliage used for flower arranging
<i>Melaleuca ericifolia</i>	Melaleuca	5	2	Moderate	n/a	FS-PS	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	High	Moderate	Acid - neutral	Aug-Nov	Cream	E		
<i>Stenocarpus sinuatus</i>	Firewheel tree	8	5	Slow	n/a	FS	Low	Moderate	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Acid	Sep	Orange, Red	E	W	L, MF Summer flowering tree that provides nectar and shelter for birds
<i>Taxandria juniperina (native)</i>	Native cedar	7	4	Fast	n/a	PS	High	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Complete range	March-June	White	E	C, A	R, LM Aromatic foliage, attracts insect eating birds.
<i>Tristanopsis laurina</i>	Kanooka, Water gum	5	5	Slow-Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Fair	High	High	Acid-Neutral	Dec.	Yellow	E	MW	R, LM, aesthetic, bird-attracting, under powerline, shading, screening
<i>Waterhousea floribunda (native)</i>	Weeping Lillypill	6	4	Moderate to Fast	n/a	FS-PS	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	High	Acid to Neutral	Nov-Jan.	White	E	M, C, A	LM, S, R, Bird and bee attracting
<i>Acer campestre</i>	Field Maple	7	6	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Acid	Sep-Oct.	yellow-green	D	MW	S, Autumn Colour, foliage interest, Ornamental
<i>Acer negundo</i>	Flamingo	5	4	Slow-Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Acid	Sep-Oct.	yellow-green	D	MW	S, Autumn Colour, foliage interest, Ornamental
<i>Acer palmatum 'Atropurpureum'</i>	Japanese Maple	4	3	Slow-Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Acid	Sep-Oct.	Red	D	MW	S, Autumn Colour, foliage interest, Ornamental
<i>Acer rubrum 'Bowhall'</i>	Red Maple	8	4	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Acid	Sep-Oct.	Pale Orange	D	MW	S, Autumn Colour, foliage interest, Ornamental
<i>Kalamata olive</i>	Olive	6	3	Slow-Moderate	n/a	FS	High	Fair	High	Fair	Fair	Moderate	Complete range	Sep-Nov.	White	E	DA	R, LM
<i>Koelerutaria paniculata</i>	Golden Rain Tree	8	8	Slow	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Fair	Moderate	High	Moderate	Fair	Complete range	Nov-Jan.	Bright yellow	D	D	R, LM, F
<i>Lagerstroemia indica</i>	Crape Myrtle	6	7	Moderate	n/a	FS	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Low	Low	Acid-Neutral	Mar-Apr.	Pink/Purple/White	D	CD	R, LM, Sh, F
<i>Olea europaea subsp. europaea</i>	Olive	8	6	Slow-Moderate	n/a	FS	High	Fair	High	Fair	Fair	Moderate	Complete range	Sep-Nov.	Creamy white	E	DA	R, LM
<i>Photinia robusta</i>	Photinia	15	4	Slow-Moderate	n/a	FS	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	Low	Low	Complete range	Oct-Nov	White	E	C, D, A	R, LM, S, F, Bird attractant
<i>Rhododendron arboreum</i>	Rhododendron	12	4	Moderate	n/a	PS	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Acid range	June-Nov	Various	E	WM	Grown for showy flowers, All parts of the Rhododendron are considered toxic.

Species Palette 4 – Medium to Large

INDIGENOUS TO PROVIDENCE (Grown at nursery/within Bayside)		Uses/Traits Key		Habitat Key		Tolerances										Evergreen/Deciduous		
INDIGENOUS (Grown Outside Bayside)		R - Robust and Hardy		H - Heath/Woodland		High = tolerates well without damage.										E/D		
NATIVE TREES (From Australia)		LM - Low Maintenance		M - Moist/Closed forest		Fair = can tolerate medium levels										Habitat		
EXOTIC (From outside Australia)		S - Shade		C - Coast - dune scrub & woodland		Moderate = tolerates somewhat with some effects in low levels										Uses/Traits		
Additional Species		F - Feature		D - Prefers dry, well drained soils & tolerates dryness once established.		Low = suffers serious damage to death if exposed										E/D		
*PLEASE NOTE THE BELOW INFORMATION IS A GUIDE ONLY.		Sh - Prefers or tolerates full shade		W - Prefers or tolerates moist soils, wetness, periodic inundation		Alkaline										Please contact your local nursery or a horticultural professional for further advice.		
Use of any of the below species is preferred but not limited to these species		Sh - Prefers or tolerates full shade		A - Adaptable, growing well in most soil types		Unknown										All Indigenous plants provide habitat & food for local birds, insects & animals.		
MEDIUM TO LARGE SHRUBS		Species that reach 2-5 metres in height		EVC = Ecological Vegetation Class		Tolerances										Evergreen/Deciduous		
BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	Mat. HEIGHT	Mat. CANOPY	Growth Rate	EVC	Sunlight	Wind	Salinity	Sea spray	Drought	Waterlogging	Compaction	pH Range	Flowering period	Flower colours	E/D	Habitat	Uses/Traits
<i>Acacia longifolia</i> subsp. <i>sophorae</i>	Coast Wattle	4	4	Very Fast	n/a	PS-FS	High	High	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	Complete	Jun-Oct.	Pale Yellow	E	CW	R, LM, A, Bird-attracting, winter interest, screening, UPL
<i>Acacia oxycedrus</i>	Spike Wattle	4	3	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	High	Moderate	Fair	Fair	High	Moderate	Acid-Neutral	Jul-Oct.	Bright Yellow	E	HWD	R, LM, A, bird-attracting, Winter features, Screening, foliage interest
<i>Acacia paradoxa</i>	Hedge Wattle	3	2	Moderate	719	PS-FS	High	Low	Moderate	Fair	Fair	High	Acid-Neutral	Aug	Bright Yellow	E	HCD	A, bird-attracting, winter features, spiny or thorny
<i>Acacia stricta</i>	Hop Wattle	4	2	Fast	n/a	PS-FS	High	Moderate	Fair	Fair	Moderate	Low	Acid-Neutral	May-Oct.	Pale Yellow	E	HCMW	R, LM, A, Sh, architectural form, bird attracting, Screening, UPL
<i>Alyxia buxifolia</i>	Sea Box	2	2	Slow	n/a	PS-FS	High	High	Fair	Fair	Moderate	Unknown	Complete	Mar, Oct-Dec.	Orange to White cream at tip	E	HCD	Colourful fruit, allergenic, Screening, Hedging
<i>Cassinia longifolia</i>	Long-leaf Cassinia	3	2	Fast	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Moderate	Acid	Nov-Dec.	White	E	HMDW	Sh, Aromatic leaves, Screening, Under powerlines
<i>Exocarpos cupressiformis</i>	Cherry Ballart	4	3	Slow-Moderate	719, 3	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Unknown	Acid-Neutral	n/a	n/a	E	HD	Screening, Under powerlines, interesting foliage, colourful
<i>Cassinia aculeata</i>	Common Cassinia	2	1	Moderate	719, 3	PS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Fair	Fair	Unknown	Complete	Nov-Dec.	Creamy white/white	E	HD	A, Screening, Aromatic leaves
<i>Indigofera australis</i>	Austral Indigo	2	1.5	Fast	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	High	Moderate	Fair	Moderate	Unknown	Acid-Neutral	Aug, Oct-Dec.	Pinkish/Soft Purples	E	HMW	A, interesting foliage, allergenic, Pink/Purple flowers, Screening, Shrub border
<i>Kunzea leptospermoides</i>	Yarra Burgan	3	2	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	Low	High	Low	Low	Complete	Nov-Feb.	White	E	HWR	A, R, Screening, Bird/Butterfly attracting
<i>Leptospermum continentale</i>	Prickly Tea-tree	3	2	Moderate	719, 892, 707, 3	PS-FS	High	High	High	Fair	Fair	Unknown	Acid	Oct-Dec.	White, rarely pale pink	E	HCW	A, Attractive Bark, Bird-Attracting, Screening
<i>Leucopogon parviflorus</i>	Coast Beard-heath	3	2	Slow	919, 921	PS-FS	High	High	High	High	Low	Unknown	Complete	Jul-Nov.	White	E	HCDW	Edible, Hedging, Screening
<i>Myoporum insulare</i>	Common Boobialla	5	3	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	High	High	High	High	Fair	Fair	Complete	Jul-Oct.	White, Occasionally pale pink	E	CD	R, LM, A, bird-attracting, attractive bark, allergenic, hedging, screening, UPL, Shade
<i>Olearia axillaris</i>	Coast Daisy-bush	2	2	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	High	High	High	High	Moderate	Unknown	Acid	Mar-Jul, Nov-Dec.	Cream- Greenish or crimson tinge	E	CD	Silver foliage, shrub mass, screening, shrub or mixed border
<i>Olearia glutinosa</i>	Sticky Daisy-bush	2	2	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	High	High	Low	Low	Unknown	Nov-Feb.	Cream-white	E	CD	R, A, Long flowering, background
<i>Ozothamnus ferrugineus</i>	Tree Everlasting	3	2	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Unknown	High	High	Moderate	Low	Fair	Unknown	Nov-Feb.	White	E	MDW	R, A
<i>Pomaderris paniculosa</i>	Shining Coast Pomaderris	2	1.5	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Unknown	Jul-Nov.	Yellow	E	HMW	R, LM, F, Screening, Attracts birds and butterflies
<i>Solanum laciniatum</i>	Large Kangaroo Apple	2	2	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	High	High	Low	Low	Low	Low	Acid-Neutral	Sep-Mar.	Purple-Blue	E	HCD	R, LM, A, Sh
<i>Viminaria juncea</i>	Golden Spray	4	2	Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	High	High	High	High	High	Complete	Oct-Feb.	Yellow-Orange, with red markings	E	W	R, LM, A, Sh
<i>Xanthorrhoea thomtonii</i>	Grass Tree	3	1.5	Slow	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	High	High	Moderate	Low	Unknown	Unknown	Aug-Dec.	Cream-white	E	HD	R, LM, Sh
<i>Xanthorrhoea australis</i>	Grass Tree	3	2	Slow	n/a	PS-FS	High	Moderate	Low	High	Low	Low	Acid-Neutral	Jul-Dec.	White or cream	E	HDM	R, LM, Sh
<i>Adenanthos cunninghamii</i>	Albany woollybush	2	3	Moderate	n/a	FS	High	High	High	High	Moderate	Low	Id Acid-Mild Alkali	Mar-Oct	Red, Pink	E	CDA	R, LM, S, F, Attracts small nectar eating birds
<i>Eriophila longifolia</i>	Long-leaved Eriophila	3	3	Moderate	n/a	FS	Moderate	Low	Unknown	Unknown	High	Low	Acid-Neutral	All year	Pink to brick red	E	HD	R, LM, Attracts bees and small birds, particularly for winter flowering
<i>Calothamnus quadrifidus</i>	One sided bottlebrush	3	5	Fast	n/a	FS	High	Low	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	Mild Acid-Alkaline	June-Dec	Red, White	E	CDA	R, LM, ideal hedging and screening plant, attracts birds
<i>Chamaelucium</i> spp.	Geralton Wax	3	3	Fast	n/a	FS/PS	Moderate	Unknown	High	High	Low	Low	Acid-Neutral	Aug-May	White, Pink, Purple	E	CD	R, LM, flowers attract nectar eating birds, butterflies
<i>Xanthorrhoea preissii</i>	Grass tree / Balga	3	1	Very Slow	n/a	FS	High	Moderate	Fair	High	Low	Low	Complete range	No set time	Cream to White	E	HCD	bird and butterfly attracting, cockatoos, iconic Australian native
<i>Grevillea</i> spp. (Native)	Grevillea	2	2	Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	High	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	Complete range	Nov-May	Orange-Red	E	DC	R, LM, F, important source of food for nectar feeding birds and fruit bats and bees
<i>Hakea</i> spp.	Needle bush	4	3	Moderate to Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	Low	Moderate	Acid	May, Jul-Oct.	Red, Pink, Yellow	E	CD	RF, bird and butterfly attracting, cockatoos, iconic Australian native
<i>Westringera fruticosa</i>	Coastal Rosemary	2	4	Fast	n/a	FS	High	High	High	High	Low	Moderate	Alkaline	Sep-Dec	White, Mauve	E	CD	R, LM, A, attracts birds
<i>Escallonia lveyi</i> €	Escallonia	2	2	Fast	n/a	FS	High	High	High	High	Low	Low	Alkaline	Jan-Mar/Oct-Nov	White	E	CDA	LM, S, F, bird attractant, scented flowers, long flowering period
<i>Hibiscus sinensis</i>	Hibiscus	3	3	Moderate	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	Low	Low	Acid-Neutral	Sep-Dec/Mar-June	Various	E	DA	R, LM, F, Flowers attract bees and small birds
<i>Myrtus communis</i>	Common Myrtle	5	3	Slow-Moderate	n/a	FS	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	Low	Low	Alkaline	Sep-Dec	White	E	DA	R, LM, Bees attracted to flowers and birds attracted to the berries
<i>Juniperus communis</i>	Common juniper	5	4	Slow	n/a	FS	High	Moderate	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Complete	May-June	Cone - Berries	E	CDA	R, LM, attracts bees and nectar eating birds

Species Palette 5 – Small Shrubs

INDIGENOUS TO PROVIDENCE (Grown at nursery/within Bayside)		Uses/Traits Key		EVC Ecological Vegetation Class		Tolerances										Evergreen/Deciduous																			
INDIGENOUS (Grown Outside Bayside)		R - Robust and Hardy		Growth Rate		EVC		Sunlight		Wind		Salinity		Sea spray		Drought		Waterlogging		Compaction		pH Range		Flowering period		Flower colours		E/D Habitat		Uses/Traits					
NATIVE TREES (From Australia)		Full Sun = FS		Moderate		n/a		PS		Moderate		Moderate		Moderate		High		Moderate		Unknown		Acid-Neutral		Jun-Oct		Yellow		E HD		Ground cover and shrub, interesting foliage					
EXOTIC (From outside Australia)		Part Shade=PS		Moderate		n/a		PS-FS		Moderate		Moderate		High		High		Low		Moderate		Acid-Neutral		Apr-Sept		Pale Yellow & White		E HCD		R, Long flowering period, Attractive features, Fauna attracting					
Additional Species		Shade = FSH		Fast		n/a		PS		Moderate		Moderate		Moderate		Moderate		Moderate		Fair		Unknown		Apr-Oct		Pale Cream		E HCW		A, R, LM, Bird attracting, screening					
PLEASE NOTE THE BELOW INFORMATION IS A GUIDE ONLY		Shade = FSH		Slow		n/a		PS-FS		High		Moderate		High		Fair		High		Moderate		Acid		Mar-Oct		Red		E HD		R, LM, Interesting foliage, Sh, Under powerlines, Bird attracting					
Use of any of the below species is preferred but not limited to these species		Shade = FSH		Fast		n/a		PS-FS		Moderate		Moderate		Low		Moderate		Low		Moderate		Acid-Neutral		Aug-Nov		Gold with red & orange		E HWD		Sh, R, LM, Ornamental					
SMALL SHRUBS		Species that reach 50cm to 2 metres in height		Moderate		n/a		FSH-PS		High		High		High		Moderate		Moderate		Moderate		Complete		Mar-Sep-Dec		Red & White		E CD		LM, R, ground cover, hedge, soil rehabilitation, erosion and stabilisation					
BOTANICAL NAME		COMMON NAME		Mat. HEIGHT		Mat. SPREAD		Growth Rate		EVC		Sunlight		Wind		Salinity		Sea spray		Drought		Waterlogging		Compaction		pH Range		Flowering period		Flower colours		E/D Habitat		Uses/Traits	
<i>Acacia brownii</i>	Heath Wattle	1	1	Moderate	n/a	PS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Unknown	Acid-Neutral	Jun-Oct	Yellow	E	HD	Ground cover and shrub, interesting foliage													
<i>Acacia suaveolens</i>	Sweet Wattle	2	2	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	High	High	Low	Moderate	Acid-Neutral	Apr-Sept	Pale Yellow & White	E	HCD	R, Long flowering period, Attractive features, Fauna attracting																	
<i>Acacia ulicifolia</i>	Juniper Wattle	1	1	Moderate	n/a	PS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Unknown	Acid	Apr-Oct	Pale Cream	E	HCW	A, R, LM, Bird attracting, screening																	
<i>Allcasuarina paradoxa</i>	Green She-oak	1.5	1.5	Slow	3	PS-FS	High	Moderate	High	Fair	High	Moderate	Acid	Mar-Oct	Red	E	HD	R, LM, Interesting foliage, Sh, Under powerlines, Bird attracting																	
<i>Aotus ericoides</i>	Common Aotus	1	1	Fast	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Acid-Neutral	Aug-Nov	Gold with red & orange	E	HWD	Sh, R, LM, Ornamental																	
<i>Atriplex cinerea</i>	Coast or Grey Saltbush	2	2	Moderate	n/a	FSH-PS	High	High	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	Complete	Mar-Sep-Dec	Red & White	E	CD	LM, R, ground cover, hedge, soil rehabilitation, erosion and stabilisation																	
<i>Bossiaea cinerea</i>	Showy Bossiaea	1	1	Fast	n/a	FS-PS	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	Low	Unknown	Acid	Aug-Nov	Gold/yellow to Red/purple brown	E	HCD	Ornamental, R, Hedge, screening, attractive, cuttings																	
<i>Correa alba</i>	White Correa	1	1	Moderate	n/a	FS-PS	High	High	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	Complete	Mar-Sep-Nov	Pink & White	E	C	A, R, LM, Aromatic, Power lines, hedging, cover, shrub mass																	
<i>Correa reflexa</i>	Common Correa	1	1	Moderate	n/a	FS-PS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Acid	Mar-Sep	Green & Red	E	H	R, Sh, A, Winter aesthetic, shrub mass, bird attracting																	
<i>Daviesia ulicifolia</i>	Gorse bitter-pea	1	50cm	Fast	n/a	FS-PS	High	Low	Moderate	High	Low	Unknown	Complete	Aug-Dec	Red & Yellow	E	H	A, Bird attracting																	
<i>Dillwynia cinerascens</i>	Grey Parrot-pea	60cm-1.5	50cm-1.5	Moderate	n/a	FS-PS	Moderate	Low	Low	High	Low	Moderate	Complete	Jul-Nov	Yellow & Orange	E	HD	Sh, Ornamental, floral display																	
<i>Dillwynia glaberrima</i>	Heath or Smooth Parrot-pea	1	50cm	Moderate	719, 892, 3	FS-PS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Acid-Neutral	Aug-Dec	Yellow, red centre	E	HD	Sh, Attractive, cut flowers, container plant, tolerates heavy pruning																	
<i>Epacris impressa</i>	Common Heath	1	50cm	Moderate	719, 892, 3	FS-PS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Acid	May-Nov	White, Pink & red	E	HCDW	A, F, R, Attractive, Cut flowers, container plant, revegetation works, nectar																	
<i>Goodenia ovata</i>	Hop Goodenia	1	1	Fast	n/a	FS-PS	High	Fair	Fair	Fair	Fair	Moderate	Complete	Aug-Feb.	Bright yellow, red centre	E	HC	A, R, LM, F, Cut flower, container plant, revegetation																	
<i>Gompholobium huegelii</i>	Common Wedge-pea	30cm-1	30cm-1m	Moderate	n/a	FS-PS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Acid-Neutral	Sep-Apr.	Cream to Yellow & Greenish	E	HCD	Sh, Attractive, A, F, R																	
<i>Hibbertia fasciculata var. prostrata</i>	Stalked/Bundled Guinea-flower	50cm	30cm	Moderate	892	FS-PS	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	Low	High	Complete	Sep-Dec.	Bright Yellow	E	HD	LM, A, R, F, hedge																	
<i>Hibbertia riparia</i>	Erect Guinea-flower	50cm	50cm	Moderate	719, 3	FS-PS	Fair	Low	Low	Fair	Fair	Low	Complete	Sep-Dec.	Yellow	E	HW	A, Attractive, R, LM, F																	
<i>Hibbertia sericea</i>	Silky Guinea-flower	30cm-1	60cm	Slow	n/a	FS-PS	High	High	High	High	Low	Moderate	Complete	Aug-Nov.	Bright Yellow	E	HCD	R, LM, A, F																	
<i>Isopogon ceratophyllus</i>	Horny Cone-bush	20cm-60cm	50cm	Slow	n/a	FS	High	Low	Low	High	Low	Low	Complete	Sep-Nov.	Yellow	E	HCD	R, LM, A, F																	
<i>Lasiopetalum baueri</i>	Slender Velvet-bush	1	1	Moderate	n/a	FS-PS	High	Low	Low	High	Low	Low	Complete	Jun-Nov.	Pink & White	E	CD	H, A, Ornamental, Hedge, F, Screening, Bird attracting																	
<i>Leptospermum myrsinoides</i>	Heath or Silky Tea-tree	1.5	1	Moderate	719, 892, 3	FS-PS	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Low	Acid-Neutral	Jun-Nov.	Pink & White	E	H	A, Screen, Hedge, F, Bird attracting, Soil control																	
<i>Leucophyta brownii</i>	Cushion Bush	50cm	50cm	Moderate	919	FS	High	High	High	High	Low	Low	Complete	Dec-Feb.	Yellow, Silver, Grey-Brown	E	HCD	A, R, LM, edge defining, insect attracting																	
<i>Leucopogon virgatus</i>	Common Beard-heath	50cm	50cm	Moderate	719, 892, 3	FS-PS	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Low	Complete	Jul-Dec.	Pink & White	E	HCD	A, R, LM, F, Bird attracting, hedge																	
<i>Monotoca scoparia</i>	Prickly Broom-heath	30cm-1.2	30cm-1.2	Moderate	892	FS-PS	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Low	Complete	Mar-Jul.	Pink & White	E	HCD	A, R, LM, Screen, barrier, hedge, Soil Control																	
<i>Myoporum petiolatum</i>	Sticky Boobialla	1.5	1.5	Moderate	n/a	FS	High	High	High	High	Moderate	Low	Complete	Oct-Feb.	White	E	HCD	A, R, LM, F, Soil control																	
<i>Oleandra ramosa</i>	Twiggy Daisy-bush	1.5	1	Moderate	n/a	FS-PS	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	Moderate	Low	Complete	Sep-Nov.	Blue	E	HCD	A, R, LM, Ornamental																	
<i>Rhaphidolia candolleana subsp. Candolleana</i>	Seaberry Saltbush	1	2	Moderate	919, 921	FS	High	High	High	High	Moderate	Low	Complete	Sep-Feb.	Green	E	HCD	A, R, LM, soil control, habitat refuge																	
<i>Rhynchospora pinifolius</i>	Wedding Bush	1-3	1	Moderate	n/a	FS	High	Low	Low	High	Low	Low	Acid-Neutral	Sep-Feb.	White	E	HD	A, R, LM, F, Nectar, Hedge, Screen																	
<i>Sambucus guadalupensis</i>	White Elderberry	2	2	Moderate	919, 921	PS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	High	Low	Acid-Neutral	Sep-Feb.	White	D	HMW	LM, Sh, Bird attracting																	
<i>Suaeda australis</i>	Austral Seabite	50cm	50cm	Moderate	n/a	FS	High	High	High	High	High	Low	Complete	Sep-Feb.	Green & Red	E	HCW	A, R, LM, periodic inundation, bird attracting, can make dyes with foliage																	
<i>Eremophila nivea</i>	Emu bush or Silky Ememophila	1.5	1.5	Moderate-Fast	n/a	FS	High	Moderate	High	High	Low	Low	Complete	Sep-Jan	Purple	E	CD	R, LM, Attracts birds and butterflies, tolerant of frost and responds well to pruning.																	
<i>Grevillea spp.</i>	Grevillea	1.5	1.5	Fast	n/a	FS	High	High	High	High	Low	Low	Acid-Neutral	All year	red, orange or yellow	E	CDA	R, LM, attracts bees and nectar eating birds																	
<i>Phlotoeca myoporoides</i>	Long-leafed Wax flower	1	1	Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Acid-Neutral	Sep-Dec.	White	E	D	R, LM, attracts bees, butterflies and nectar eating birds																	
<i>Prostanthera ratundifolia</i>	Native mint bush	2	2	Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Low	Low	High	Low	Low	Acid-Neutral	Sep-Dec.	Purple	E	DA	R, LM, Flowers attract bees and beneficial insects to garden																	
<i>Juniperus communis subsp.</i>	Common juniper	2	4	Slow	n/a	FS	High	Moderate	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Complete	May-June	Cone - Berries	E	DC	R, LM, F, flowers can attract birds																	
<i>Salvia subsp.</i>	Salvia	1	60cm	Fast	n/a	FS/PS	High	High	High	High	Low	Moderate	Acid	Sep-June	various	E	CDA	R, LM, attracts bees and nectar eating birds																	
<i>Lavandula spp.</i>	Lavender	1	1	Fast	n/a	FS	High	Low	High	High	Low	Moderate	Alkaline	Sep-June	various	E	CDA	R, LM, F, attracts bees																	
<i>Chosya spp.</i>	Mexican orange blossom	1	1.5	Fast	n/a	FS/PS	Low	Moderate	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Complete	Aug-Nov.	White	E	CDA	S, Sh, ornamental plant, can be trained to a hedge																	
<i>Gardenia spp.</i>	Gardenia	1.5	1.5	Slow	n/a	FS/PS	Low	Low	Low	High	Low	Low	Acid	Nov-May	Creamy white	E	M	F, ornamental shrub with highly fragrant flowers																	
<i>Rhaphiolepis spp.</i>	Indian hawthorn	2	1.5	Slow	n/a	FS	High	High	High	High	Low	Low	Complete	Sep-Jan	White-Pink	E	CDA	R, LM, F																	
<i>Hebe buxifolia (</i>	Hebe	1	1	Fast	n/a	FS	High	High	High	High	Low	Low	Alkaline	June-Sep	/hite,pink,blue,deep purple, crimson	E	CD	R, LM, attracts bees and butterflies																	
<i>Sedum spp.</i>	Stoncrop	0.6	1	Fast	n/a	FS-PS	High	High	High	High	Low	High	acid to neutral	Dec-March	Yellow, orange, pink or white	E	CDA	Attracts Attracts bees, butterflies																	

Species Palette 6 – Grasses and Tussocks

INDIGENOUS TO PROVIDENCE (Grown at nursery/within Bayside)		Additional Species		Uses/Traits Key		Habitat Key		Tolerances		pH Range		Flowering period		Flower colours		Habitat		Uses/Traits	
INDIGENOUS (Grown Outside Bayside)		Additional Species		R - Robust and Hardy		H - Heath/Woodland		C - Coast - dune scrub & woodland		W - Wetland		Sep-Feb.		Brown		HCD		A, R, LM	
NATIVE TREES (From Australia)		Full Sun = FS		LM - Low Maintenance		M - Moist/Closed forest		D - Prefers dry, well drained soils & tolerates dryness once established.		W - Wetland		Sep-Dec.		Green or purple/Strawed		HCD		A, R, LM, F, Habitat	
EXOTIC (From outside Australia)		Part Shade=PS		S - Shade Tree								Sep-Feb.		White		HCD		A, R, LM, F, Habitat, wildflower garden, Bird attracting	
Additional Species:		Shade = FSh		F - Feature Tree								Apr-Jul.		yellow/brown/red glumes		CDW		A, R, LM, F, Habitat	
PLEASE NOTE THE BELOW INFORMATION IS A GUIDE ONLY				Sh - Prefers or tolerates full shade		W - Prefers or tolerates moist soils, wetness, periodic inundation		A - Adaptable, growing well in most soil types				Sep-May.		Pale Green/Purple		RIM		A, R, LM, F, Habitat	
Has any of the below species is preferred but not limited to these species												Sep-Feb.		Blue-Purple		HM		A, LM, Ornamental, F, Habitat	
												Aug-Jan.		Blue and Yellow		HM		A, LM, Ornamental, F, Habitat	
												Aug-Jan.		Blue to Violet		HM		A, LM, Ornamental, F, Habitat	
												Sep-Dec.		Blue or Purple		HM		A, LM, Ornamental, F, Habitat	
												Oct-Dec.		Green to Purple		HM		A, LM, F, Habitat	
												Sep-Nov.		Green growth		CDW		A, R, LM, F, interesting foliage, Bloom in response to rain	
												Sep-Apr.		Green growth		HM		A, LM, F, Bird attracting, turf, groundcover, can flower most of year	
												Sep-Feb.		Brown		RiWeM		A, R, LM, F, Habitat, pond, Can flower throughout year	
												Sep-Feb.		Brown to Black		MRI		A, R, LM, F, Habitat	
												Sep-Feb.		Yellow-Deep Red		MRI		A, R, LM, F, Habitat	
												Aug-Dec.		Reddish Brown		MRI		A, R, LM, F, Habitat, Can flower most of year	
												Oct-Jan.		Green		E		A, R, LM, F, Habitat, bird attracting, pond, flowers most of year	
												Sep-Nov.		Green/Purple Spikelets		MRI		A, R, LM, F, Ground cover, turf	
												Sep-Feb.		Yellow		C,HR, We		A, R, LM, R, Groundcover	
												Sep-Feb.		Red to grey/brown		MRI		A, R, LM, F, Frog Habitat	
												Oct-Nov.		Yellow		HD		A, LM, Ornamental, F, Habitat, FSh	
												Aug-Feb.		Yellow, Purple centre		MRI		A, R, LM, F, Habitat, ground cover, edge.	
												Jun-Nov, Jan.		Creamy Yellow		HM		A, LM, Ornamental, F, Habitat, Erosion control	
												Oct-Dec.		Green growth		HC		A, R, LM, Turf/lawn or groundcover	
												Sep-Dec.		Purple		HDW		LM, Wildlife attracting, Wildflower, Attractive foliage,	
												Oct-Dec.		Golden		HC		A, R, LM, Bird attracting, Attractive, Ornamental, groundcover, erosion control	
												Dec.		Golden		HC		A, R, LM, Bird attracting, Attractive, Ornamental, groundcover, erosion contro	
												Oct-Mar.		Green or Purplish		HD		R, A, Ornamental, border plant, Bird/butterfly attracting	
												Oct-Dec.		White		HC		A, R, LM, Rockeries, Bird-attracting, lawn alternative	
												Oct-Dec.		White		HCD		R, LM, Ornamental, Rock planting, Lawn grass, bird attracting	
												Oct-Dec.		White		HCDW		A, R, LM, Feature, Revegetation, Lawn alternative, thrives in poor soil, rockeries	
												Oct-Dec.		White		HCDW		A, R, LM, Feature, Revegetation, Lawn alternative, thrives in poor soil, rockeries	
												Sep-Feb.		Red-brown		WeMW		Shiny dark red-brown foliage, ornamental, bird attracting,	
												Nov-Dec.		Yellow and Brown		CDW		R, LM, Bush, Groundcover	
												Dec-May.		Green-purple		CWeW		A, LM, coastal and low dune stabilizer	
												Nov-Apr.		Purple		WHD		A, Habitat, Climber, High management, Wombat attracting	
												Sep-Dec.		Purple-Red		HWW		A, R, LM, Accenting, wildflower	
												Sep-Dec.		Blue, White and Yellow		HWeW		A, Rockeries, border planting	
												Oct-Mar.		Bright Yellow		HDW		A, ground cover, Rockeries	
												Aug-Apr.		Dark Green		CW		Can tolerate poor drainage well, erosion protection, semi-aquatic	
												Dec-Feb.		White/creamy-pale yellow		HCD		A, R, LM, Ornamental, F, Habitat, bird attracting, architectural foliage	
												Nov-Apr.		Various		CDA		Attracts birds, butterflies, bees	
												Nov-Jan.		Purple		RLM		Attractive foliage, can be used as lawn substitute ground cover	

Species Palette 7 – Groundcovers and Wildflowers

INDIGENOUS TO PROVIDENCE (Grown at nursery/within Bayside)		INDIGENOUS (Grown Outside Bayside)		Additional Species		Uses/Traits Key		Habitat Key		Ri = Riparian forest (interface between land and river/stream)		High = tolerates well without damage.					
NATIVE TREES (From Australia)		Full Sun = FS		R - Robust and Hardy		H - Moist/Woodland		M - Moist/Closed forest		G=Grassland		Fairs can tolerate medium levels					
EXOTIC (From outside Australia)		Part Shade-PS		LM - Low Maintenance		C - Coast - dune scrub & woodland		D - Prefers dry, well drained soils & tolerates dryness once established.		complete range		Moderate = tolerates somewhat with some effects in low levels					
Additional Species		Shade = FS		S - Shade Tree		W - Prefers or tolerates moist soils, wetlands, periodic inundation		A - Adaptable, growing well in most soil types		acid		Low = suffers serious damage to death if exposed					
PLEASE NOTE THE BELOW INFORMATION IS A GUIDE ONLY		Sh = Prefers or tolerates full shade		Please contact your local nursery or a horticultural professional for further advice.		Unknown				Alkaline to neutral		Please contact your local nursery or a horticultural professional for further advice.					
Line of some of the below species is preferred but not limited to these species.				All indigenous plants provide habitat & food for local birds, insects & animals.													
GROUND COVERS AND WILDFLOWERS AND CLIMBERS																	
BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	Mat. HEIGHT	Mat. SPREAD	Growth Rate	EVC	Sunlight	Wind	Salinity	Sea spray	Drought	Waterlogging	Compaction	pH Range	Flowering period	Flower colours	Habitat	Uses/Traits
<i>Acacia novae-hollandiae</i>	Bidgee-widgee	Prostrate	1m	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	High	High	High	Fair	High	Moderate	Complete	Sep-Dec.	Brown	CSha	R, LM, Thoms, wildflower, bush
<i>Acrotriche serulata</i>	Honey Pots	30cm	1m	Moderate	719, 3	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	Low	Moderate	Complete	May-Oct.	Greenish	HD	Fruiting, Habitat, Mixed bed use, Rockeries, Bird attracting, fragrant
<i>Actites megalocarpa</i>	Dune Thistle	60cm	60cm	Moderate to Fast	n/a	FS	High	High	High	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Complete	Sep-Jun.	Yellow/Pale Purple	CD	R, Coastal garden, habitat
<i>Amperea xiphoclada</i> var. <i>xiphoclada</i>	Broom Spurge	40cm	40cm	Moderate	719, 892, 3	FS	Moderate	Low	Low	High	Low	Low	acid to neutral	Sep-Feb.	Cream and brown	HMD	Rockeries and underplanting, mass planting, hedge feature, unique leaves
<i>Apium prostratum</i> ssp. <i>prostratum</i>	Sea Celery	20cm	50cm	Moderate to fast	n/a	PS-FS	Fair	High	High	High	Low	Moderate	Complete	Oct-Apr	White	CW	Attractive container, ferny foliage, Cultural, habitat, native animal attracting
<i>Anthragodium strictum</i>	Chocolate Lily	30cm	30cm	Slow to Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Moderate	Acid	Sep-Dec.	Purple	HA	Wildflower, fragrant, container plant, deciduous, mass planting aesthetic
<i>Astroloma humifusum</i>	Cranberry Heath	50cm	1.5m	Slow	719, 3	PS-FS	Moderate	Fair	Fair	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Acid	Apr-Sep.	Red	HD	Bird attracting, winter foliage, container plant, native bush garden
<i>Bossiaea prostrata</i>	Creeping Bossiaea	10cm	50cm	Slow to Moderate	719	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Alkaline to neutral	Sep-Dec.	Yellow/Red-brown	HD	Weed suppression, erosion control, ornamental, embankments, rockeries.
<i>Brachycome parvula</i>	Coast Daisy	20cm	20cm	Moderate to Fast	n/a	PS-FS	High	High	High	High	Moderate	Unknown	Complete	Sep-Dec.	Purple	CW	R, LM, Interesting foliage
<i>Burchardia umbellata</i>	Milkmaids	30cm	10cm	Slow to moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Unknown	Unknown	Fair	Moderate	Unknown	Acid	Sep-Nov.	White	HDW	Deciduous, Wildflower and bushgarden, container planting
<i>Carpobrotus rossii</i>	Karkalia	10cm	1m	Moderate to Fast	921	PS-FS	High	High	High	High	Moderate	Unknown	Complete	Sep-Dec.	Purple	CD	R, LM, interesting foliage
<i>Centella cordifolia</i> (S)	Centella	Prostrate	2m	Moderate	707	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Low	High	Unknown	Complete	Aug-Dec.	White/pink	C, R, W, M	Pond, Ornamental, wetland, bushy
<i>Chamaesola corymbosa</i>	Blue Stars	10cm	10cm	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Fair	Unknown	Complete	Aug-Nov.	Blue	HW	Wildflower/Bush Garden, container planting
<i>Chrysocephalum apiculatum</i>	Common Everlasting	20cm	50cm	Moderate	n/a	FS	High	High	High	High	Low	Fair	Complete	Sep-Dec.	Yellow	HD	Silver foliage, Wildflower/bushgarden, container planting
<i>Corandium scorpioides</i>	Button Everlasting	30cm	30cm	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	High	Low	Low	Complete	Sep-Dec.	Pale/Lemon yellow	HD	Rockeries, Attracts pollinators, Resilient planting
<i>Dichandra repens</i>	Kidney weed	Prostrate	indefinite	Moderate to Fast	919, 719, 921, 3	FS-FS	Fair	High	High	High	Fair	Unknown	Complete	Sep-Dec.	White/Pale yellow/Green	HCA	R, LM, interesting foliage, Bush garden, container planting
<i>Disphyma crassifolium</i> subsp. <i>Clavellatum</i>	Rounded Noon-flower	Prostrate	1m	Moderate	919	FS	High	High	High	High	Moderate	Unknown	Complete	Oct-Dec.	Pink	CA	R, LM, interesting foliage, bush garden
<i>Drosera whitakeri</i> subsp. <i>Aberans</i>	Scented Sundew	20cm	20cm	Moderate	719, 3	PS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	Acid	Jul-Oct.	White	HM	Perennial, deciduous, wildflower/bushgarden, container, fragrant, carnivorous
<i>Drosera pettata</i> subsp. <i>Auriculata</i>	Tall Sundew	80cm	20cm	Slow to Moderate	719, 892, 3	PS-FS	Fair	Fair	Fair	Fair	High	Unknown	Acid	Aug-Dec.	Pink and white	HWG	bushgarden, container planting, carnivorous
<i>Enadia nutans</i>	Nodding Saltbush	20cm	1m	Moderate to Fast	n/a	PS-FS	High	High	High	High	Fair	Fair	Complete	Sep-Dec.	White	HCA	R, LM, Colourful fruit
<i>Enchlyana tomentosa</i>	Ruby Saltbush, Barrier Saltbush	Prostrate	1m	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	High	High	High	High	Fair	Fair	Complete	May-Sep	Red with pink fruit	CD	R, LM, Bird attracting, bush garden
<i>Epilobium billardierianum</i>	Variable Willow-herb	1m	70cm	Moderate	707	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Fair	Unknown	Complete	Sep-Feb.	Purple/pink	RIW	Rockeries, watercourses, damp area planting
<i>Frankenia puciflora</i>	Southern Sea-heath	10cm	50cm	Moderate	n/a	FS	Fair	High	High	High	Fair	Unknown	Alkaline to neutral	Jun-Oct.	Pink	CD	interesting foliage, shrubbing, hedging, container planting, bush garden
<i>Geranium solanderi</i>	Austral Cranberry	20cm	30cm	Moderate to Fast	719, 3	PS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Complete	Aug-Dec.	Pale pink/white yellow	HWA	R, Rockeries, pot plant, can grow quickly and spread in always wet soil
<i>Gonocarpus humilis</i>	Shade Raspwort	50cm	70cm	Moderate	892	PS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	High	Moderate	Unknown	Oct-Dec.	Yellow-green	CHMW	Perennial herb, prostrate and sprawling
<i>Gonocarpus micranthus</i>	Creeping Raspwort	Prostrate	50cm	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	High	Moderate	Unknown	Dec-Feb.	Red	W	Prostrate, ascending or erect, many branched
<i>Gonocarpus tetragynus</i>	Poverty tetragynus	20cm	30cm	Moderate	3	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	Dec-Feb.	Reddish-pink	HA	Wirey, erect perennial herb. Good understorey below established trees
<i>Goodenia humilis</i>	Swamp Goodenia	10cm	1m	Moderate	919, 707	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	High	Moderate	Unknown	Nov-Mar.	Yellow	W	dainty, little herb, good for moist sunny locations, eg beside pools
<i>Goodenia geniculata</i>	Bent Goodenia	10cm	50cm	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Alkaline to neutral	Sep-Jan.	Yellow	HA	Can be planted as colourful foreground for natives, beds, weed suppressing
<i>Goodenia radicans</i>	Shiny Swamp-mat	10cm	50cm	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	High	High	High	Low	High	Unknown	Complete	Mar-Dec.	White	CW	Ornamental pond, bush garden
<i>Gratiola pubescens</i>	Glandular Brooklime	20cm	20cm	Moderate	707	PS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	High	Moderate	Unknown	Oct-Mar.	pale pink with yellow	RIW	Ornamental pond edges and rockeries, useful in waterlogged environments
<i>Haloragis brownii</i> (N)	Swamp Raspwort	50cm	50cm	Moderate	919, 921	PS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	High	Moderate	Unknown	Oct-Feb.	Reddish Brown	CRW	watercourse edging, damp locations
<i>Hibbertia acicularis</i>	Prickly Guinea-flower	30cm	50cm	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	Sep-Dec.	Bright yellow	HD	Attractive planting for open soils, cottage gardens, and rockeries
<i>Hydrocotyle laxiflora</i>	Stinking Pennywort	40cm	1-2m	Moderate to Fast	719, 3	PS-FS	Fair	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Unknown	Alkaline to neutral	Oct-Dec.	Green	HDW	Wildflower/bush garden, ornamental pond
<i>Isotoma fluviatilis</i>	Swamp Isotoma	Prostrate	1m	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	High	Unknown	Acid	Oct-Nov.	Blue	W	Ornamental pond, wildflower/bush garden, allergenic
<i>Isotoma prostrata</i>	Running Pastina	Prostrate	1m	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	High	Fair	Fair	High	Moderate	Unknown	Complete	Apr-Dec.	Red	HD	interesting foliage, bird attracting, Wildflower/Bush Garden
<i>Lachnagrostis billardieri</i>	Coast Brown-grass	50cm	20cm	Moderate	919	FS	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	Sep-Dec.	Straw yellow	CW	Coastal garden, erosion control, visual interest, tufted, adds texture
<i>Lagynophora stipitata</i>	Common Bottle-daisy	5cm	20cm	Moderate	n/a	FS-FS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	Sep-Feb.	Blue	HCA	Great groundcover over bare earth, container planting, frost tolerant
<i>Laxmannia orientalis</i>	Dwarf Wire Lily	10cm	10cm	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	Sep-Dec.	Red, Brown and White	HD	Border for dedicated remnant reserves
<i>Labella anceps</i>	Angled Labella	Prostrate	50cm	Moderate	919, 921	PS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	acid to neutral	Mar-Dec.	Blue, White	HW	Ornamental pond, wetland, bush garden, allergenic
<i>Labella protoides</i>	Poison Labella	Prostrate	50cm	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	High	Low	Low	Low	High	Moderate	acid to neutral	Oct-May.	Blue-lilac and white	HW	Toxic. Excellent groundcover for bog. Useful in ferneries when not too dark
<i>Opercularia ovata</i>	Broad Stinkweed	10cm	20cm	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	High	Low	Low	Low	High	Moderate	acid to neutral	Sep-Dec.	Greenish	HWA	Toxic. Excellent groundcover for bog. Useful in ferneries when not too dark
<i>Opercularia varia</i>	Variable Stinkweed	25cm	30cm	Moderate	719, 3	PS-FS	High	Low	Low	Low	High	Moderate	acid to neutral	Jun-Mar.	Green or Purple	MWH	Toxic. Unpleasant smell when crushed
<i>Ordnaffia reniformis</i> (syn <i>Villarsia reniformis</i>)	Running Marsh-flower	1m	1m	Moderate to Fast	707	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	High	Unknown	Acid	Mar-Dec.	Yellow	RIW	Ornamental pond, wetland, bush garden, allergenic
<i>Phalangium australe</i>	Austral Stark's-bill	50cm	50cm	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Low	Unknown	acid to neutral	Mar-Dec.	Pink	CA	Edging, Wildflower/bush garden, container planting
<i>Phalangium inodorum</i>	Kopala	30cm	30cm	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Complete	Dec-Feb.	White/Pink	HA	Open border plant, needs replacing annually, regenerates via fire
<i>Pimelea humilis</i>	Common Rice-flower	30cm	40cm	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Fair	Fair	Fair	Fair	Low	Unknown	Complete	Sep-Jan.	White	HA	Dainty, Wildflower/Bush Garden, container, allergenic, heavy pruning
<i>Pimelea octophylla</i>	Woolly Rice-flower	1m	50cm	Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	acid to neutral	Oct-Dec.	Cream-pale yellow	HD	wooly appearance, small gardens, rockeries in open soil, warm positioning
<i>Platybolum obtusangulum</i>	Common Flat-pea	40cm	1m	Slow to Moderate	892	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	Low	Unknown	Acid	Sep-Dec.	Orange	HD	Wildflower/bush garden, container planting, foliage interest
<i>Platyssace heterophylla</i>	Slender Platysace	30cm	30cm	Slow	PS	PS-FS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	acid to neutral	Aug-Jan.	White	HDW	Shortlived, required fire to stimulate regeneration
<i>Podotroche angustifolia</i>	Sticky-Land Heads	30cm	30cm	Moderate to fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	acid to neutral	Sep-Oct.	Green and yellow	HD	Shortlived, annual herb
<i>Paranthera microphylla</i>	Small Paranthere	10cm	30cm	Moderate	719, 3	PS	Fair	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Moderate	Unknown	Acid	Mar-Apr, Aug-Dec.	White	CH	Wildflower/Bush garden
<i>Pterostylis longifolia</i>	Tall Greenhood	70cm	20cm	Moderate	719, 3	PS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	acid to neutral	Apr-Sep.	Green	CHD	Deciduous, perennial herb, underground tubers
<i>Pteridium esculentum</i>	Austral bracken	1.5m	1.5m	Moderate	919, 719, 892, 921, 3	PS-FS	High	Fair	Fair	High	High	Unknown	Acid	Jun-Oct.	Green	HMCDW	A, R, LM, interesting foliage, allergenic, bush garden
<i>Sarcocornia quinqueflora</i>	Beaded Glasswort or Samphire	Prostrate	50cm	Slow to Moderate	919, 921	PS	High	High	High	Moderate	High	Unknown	Complete	Nov-Mar.	Cream	CW	R, LM, Colourful foliage
<i>Senecio minimus</i>	Shrubby Fireweed	1.5m	50cm	Fast	919, 921	PS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	High	acid to neutral	Dec-Apr.	Pale yellow	MW	A, butterfly attracting (sterile/pill food) Coloniser for disturbed soils
<i>Stylidium graminifolium</i>	Grass Trigger-plant	30cm	30cm	Slow to Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Fair	Fair	Fair	Moderate	Low	Unknown	Acid	Sep-Dec.	Pink	HDW	Container planting, Wildflower/bush garden, architectural form
<i>Tetragonia impexicoma</i>	Bower Spinach	Prostrate	1m	Moderate to Fast	919, 921	PS-FS	High	High	High	High	Moderate	Unknown	Complete	Aug-Dec.	Yellow	CA	Bush garden, bird attracting, fragrant flowers
<i>Tetragonia newzealandensis</i>	New Zealand Spinach	Prostrate	1m	Fast	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	High	High	High	Low	Moderate	Complete	Dec-Feb.	Yellow	CA	Excellent pot herb or 'gapfiller' for groundcover
<i>Thysanotus patersonii</i>	Twining Fringe-lily	1m	1m	Slow to Moderate	n/a	PS-FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Moderate	Unknown	Acid	Aug-Nov.	Purple	HDW	Wildflower/bush garden, container planting, deciduous
<i>Thysanotus tuberosus</i>	Common Fringe-lily	60cm	15-20cm	Moderate	n/a	PS	Moderate	Unknown	Unknown	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	Acid	Oct-Dec.	Purple	HD	Deciduous, Wildflower and bushgarden, container planting
<i>Tracymene composita</i>	Wild Parsnip	80cm-1.5m	1m	Moderate	n/a	FS-FS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	High	Moderate	Unknown	Sep-Feb.	White	HD	Distinct flowershape, all light levels, unique flower.
<i>Triglochin procum</i>	Water Ribbons	60cm	2m	Slow to fast	707	FS	Low	Moderate	Low	High	High	Low	acid to neutral	Aug-Apr	greenish yellow	RIWMA	graminoid, dense spiked flowers, aquatic, ornamental pond, oxygenating
<i>Viola hederacea</i>	Ivy-leaf ad Violet or Native violet	10cm	1m	Moderate	919, 719, 921, 3	PS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	High	Low	acid to neutral	Mar-Dec.	Purple and white	HCWSH	Wildflower/bush garden
<i>Myoporum parvifolium</i>	Plectranthus	0.5	1.5	Fast	n/a	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	High	Low	Low	Complete	Jan-Mar	Bluish-white	MWA	SH, A, Bird attracting
<i>Myoporum laetum</i>	Albany carpet	0.5	2	Moderate	n/a	FS	High	Moderate	High	High	Low	Low	Alkaline to neutral	Jun-Sep	Yellow	CD	R, LM, winter flowering
<i>Myoporum panifolium</i>	Creeping boobialla	0.3	3	Fast	n/a	FS	High	Moderate	High	High							

Species Palette 8 – Climbers

INDIGENOUS TO PROVIDENCE (Grown at nursery/within)		Additional Species		Uses/traits key		Habitat Key		Tolerances															
INDIGENOUS (Grown Outside Bayside)		Full Sun = FS		R - Robust and Hardy		N = Heathy/Woodland/RI = Riparian forest (interface between land and river/stream)		High = tolerates well without damage.															
NATIVE TREES (From Australia)		Part Shade=PS		LM - Low Maintenance		M - Moist/Closed forest		complete range Fair= can tolerate medium levels															
EXOTIC (From outside Australia)		Shade = FSH		S - Shade Tree		C - Coast - dune scrub & woodland		acid to neutral Moderate = tolerates somewhat with some effects in low levels															
Additional Species		Shade = FSH		F - Feature Tree		D - Prefers dry, well drained soils & tolerates dryness once established.		acid Low = suffers serious damage to death if exposed															
PLEASE NOTE THE BELOW INFORMATION IS A GUIDE ONLY		SH - Prefers or tolerates full shade		W - Prefers or tolerates moist soils, wetness, periodic inundation		A - Adaptable, growing well in most soil types		Unknown															
Use of any of the below species is preferred but not limited to these species								Please contact your local nursery or a horticultural professional for further advice. All indigenous plants provide habitat & food for local birds, insects & animals.															
CLIMBERS														EVCs Ecological Vegetation Class									
BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	Mat. HEIGHT	Mat. SPREAD	Growth Rate	EVC	Sunlight	Wind	Salinity	Sea spray	Drought	Waterlogging	Compaction	pH Range	Flowering period	Flower colours	Habitat	Uses/Traits						
<i>Billardiera nutabilis</i> (syn. <i>B. scandens</i>)	Common Appleberry	1	1	Moderate	719, 3	FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Fair	Moderate	Unknown	Acid	Mar-Dec.	Green, White, Yellow	HD	A, Bird attracting						
<i>Cassytha glabella</i> (W)	Slender Dodder-laurel	Climber	Indefinite	Moderate to Fast	892	FS-PS	Moderate	Moderate	Low	High	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	Aug-Nov.	Creamy white/cream	HDMA	Parasitic, feeding off other plants, R, climber						
<i>Clematis microphylla</i> var. <i>microphylla</i>	Small-leaved Clematis	5	5	Moderate to Fast	919, 921	PS-FS	Fair	Fair	Fair	Fair	Low	Unknown	acid to neutral	Aug-Oct.	White	HCA	Winter aesthetic, interesting foliage, screening						
<i>Comesperma volubile</i>	Love Creeper	Climber	Indefinite	Slow	719, 3	SP-FS	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	Acid	Aug-Dec.	Blue & Purple	HCDW	A, Contrainer						
<i>Galium australe</i>	Tangled Bedstraw	Climber	Indefinite	Fast	919, 921	PS-FS	High	Moderate	High	High	Low	Moderate	Unknown	Sep-May.	White	HCD	Scrambler, trailing, groundcover						
<i>Hardenbergia violacea</i>	Purple Coral Pea	Climber	Indefinite	Fast	n/a	PS-FS	High	Moderate	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	Jul-Sep.	pink or white	HDG	Scrambler. Will not negatively impact plants it climbs, pruning required after flowering						
<i>Muehlenbeckia adpressa</i>	Climbing Lignum	Climber	Indefinite	Fast	n/a	PS-FS	High	Moderate	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	Complete	Dec-Mar	Greenish white	HCDSh	plant as groundcover, house plant, pot plant, can become invasive, pruning required						
<i>Aphanopetalum resinosum</i>	Gum vine	Climber	3m x 3m	Fast	n/a	FSH	Low	Low	Low	High	Moderate	Low	Id Acid-Mild Alkali	Sep	Greenish yellow	MW	LM, Sh, attractive climber for shady positions, attracts native birds and insect						
<i>Hardenbergia comptoniana</i>	Native Wisteria	Climber	Indefinite	Fast	n/a	PS-FS	High	Moderate	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	Jul-Sep.	pink or white	HDG	Scrambler. Will not negatively impact plants it climbs, pruning required after flowering						
<i>Hibbertia scandens</i>	Golden guinea flower	Climber	Indefinite	Fast	n/a	FS	High	Low	High	High	High	Low	acid to neutral	Aug-Dec.	Yellow	CDA	R, LM, attracts solitary native bees						
<i>Pandorea pandorana</i>	Wonga wonga vine	Climber	Indefinite	Fast	n/a	FS	Low	Low	Low	High	Low	Moderate	acid to neutral	Sep-May.	White, crea, Yellow, gold, purple	WA	LM, attracts bees and birds, vigorous climber with attractive scented flowers.						
<i>Trachelospermum jasminoides</i>	Chinese star jasmine	Climber	Indefinite	Fast	n/a	FS-PS	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	acid to neutral	Sep-May.	White	D, W, A	LM, Highly scented flowers, Attracts bees and butterflies.						

Glossary

Biodiversity: 'All components of the living world: the number and variety of plants, animals, and other living things (including fungi and micro-organisms) across our land, rivers, coast, and ocean. It includes the diversity of their genetic information, the habitats and ecosystems within which they live, and their connections with other life forms and the natural world'.⁹

Canopy cover is the layer formed by the branches and crowns of plants or trees. The cover can be continuous, as in primary forests, or discontinuous - with gaps as in an urban area. Canopy is defined in Living Melbourne as vegetation above three metres in height.¹⁰

Canopy tree: A tree which has, or at maturity is likely to have, sufficient height and canopy characteristics to make a positive contribution to local amenity, sense of place, micro climate and/or biodiversity. Minimum 8 x 4 metres.¹¹

Climate change refers to a change in the state of the climate that can be identified (e.g., by using statistical tests) by changes in the mean and/or the variability of its properties and that persists for an extended period, typically decades or longer.¹²

Climate change adaptation is the process of adjustment to actual or expected climate and its effects.¹³

Climate change mitigation is the human intervention to reduce the sources or enhance the sinks of greenhouse gases.¹³

Climate Emergency refers to the catastrophic changes to the climate brought about by human activity that poses a dangerous threat to all life on the planet.¹³

Environmentally Sustainable Development refers to development that is designed, constructed, and managed to optimise climate resilience, energy efficiency, integrated water management, indoor environment quality, the circular economy, low carbon transport and urban ecology.¹⁴

General Residential Zone (GRZ) is applied to land in areas where growth and housing diversity is anticipated. It is expected that the type of housing provided will evolve over time to provide more diverse forms of housing, but not at the expense of existing open garden character.¹⁵

⁹ The State of Victoria Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, 'Protecting Victoria's Environment – Biodiversity 2037', 2017, Available at <https://www.environment.vic.gov.au/biodiversity/biodiversity-plan>

¹⁰ CID Bio-Science, 'Forest and Plant Canopy Analysis – Tools and Methods', 2019, Available at <https://cid-inc.com/blog/forest-plant-canopy-analysis-tools-methods/>

¹¹ Bayside City Council, 'Local Law Guidelines, Neighbourhood Amenity Local Law 2021', 2021, Available at <https://www.bayside.vic.gov.au/sites/default/files/2022-05/Neighbourhood%20Amenity%20Local%20Law%202021%20Guidelines%20-%20Final.pdf>

¹² Definition has been sourced from 'Bayside's Climate Emergency Action Plan 2020-2025 – Glossary', 2019, Available at https://www.bayside.vic.gov.au/sites/default/files/sustainability_and_environment/climate_emergency_action_plan_v1.2_140920_for_web.pdf

¹³ Department of Health and Human Services, 'Arboricultural Assessment Holland Court, Flemington – 3.7 Useful Life Expectancy (ULE)', 2017, available at https://www.planning.vic.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0011/105500/SHRP-SH1-15.a-Tree-Logic-Rpt_Holland-Court-Flemington.pdf

¹⁴ Bayside Sustainable Building and Infrastructure Policy (updated 2021)

¹⁵ Victorian Planning Authority, 'Reformed Residential Zones – General Residential Zone', 2017, Available at https://www.planning.vic.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0023/103865/General-Residential-Zone.pdf

Greenways are a form of landscape planning. They are linear open space corridors in the built or natural environment, which preserve biodiversity or other aspects of a sustainable environment, and generally engage the community in recreational use.¹⁶

Habitat: All the physical and biological things that collectively make up the place where a plant or animal lives.¹⁷

Habitat Corridor: A habitat corridor is a linear two-dimensional landscape element that differs from the surrounding vegetation, in both vegetation structure and form, and connects two or more patches, of otherwise isolated, habitat that have been connected in historical time, this is meant to function as a conduit for both plants and animals.¹⁸

Heat Vulnerability Index: The heat vulnerability index (HVI) is represented by a scale of 1 to 5 based on quintiles, with 1 representing low exposure, low sensitivity, or high adaptive capacity and 5 representing high exposure, high sensitivity or low adaptive capacity. We integrated indicators of heat vulnerability to calculate a Heat Vulnerability Index (HVI) at SA1 level. The index consists of three component layers: heat exposure, sensitivity to heat, and adaptive capability. Integration was accomplished by summing the scores from the three vulnerability components, dividing the SA1s into quintiles, and attributing SA1s with a Heat Vulnerability Rating scaled from 1 to 5.¹⁹

Neighbourhood Residential Zone (NRZ) is applied to land that has been identified as having specific neighbourhood, heritage, environmental or landscape character values that distinguish the land from other parts of the municipality or surrounding area.²⁰

Permeability: The readiness with which a surface, whether man-made (such as a paved road) or natural (such as soil or rock) allows water, air or plant roots to penetrate or pass through.²¹

Residential Growth Zone (RGZ) is considered a substantial change area where medium density housing growth and diversity of housing types is encouraged for example town houses and apartments around activity centres and close to train stations.²²

Resilience: The capacity of individuals, institutions, businesses and systems within a city to adapt, survive and thrive no matter what kind of chronic stresses and acute shocks they experience.¹³

¹⁶ University of New South Wales, 'The future of greenways in Sydney,' by P. Crawshaw, 2009, available at: https://www.be.unsw.edu.au/sites/default/files/upload/pdf/schools_and_engagement/resources/notes/5A2_41.pdf

¹⁷ Resilient Melbourne and The Nature Conservancy, 'Living Melbourne – Our metropolitan Urban Forest', 2019, Available at https://resilientmelbourne.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/LivingMelbourne_Strategy_online.pdf

¹⁸ Definition as used in 'Corridors for Habitat and Biodiversity Conservation in the Act with Links to the Region' from 'The theory of wildlife corridor capability – in Nature Conservation 2: The role of corridors', 1991 by Soulé, M. E. and M. E. Gilpin, Available at

https://www.parliament.act.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0008/381077/PE_06_Environment_attach.pdf

¹⁹ Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, Victorian Government 'Urban Vegetation, Urban Heat Islands and Heat Vulnerability Assessment in Melbourne, 2018', Available at

https://www.planning.vic.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0018/440181/UHI-and-HVI2018_Report_v1.pdf

²⁰ Victorian Planning Authority, 'Using the residential zones – Planning Practice Note 91, Clause 32.09', 2019, Available at https://www.planning.vic.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0033/445389/PPN91-Using-the-residential-zones.pdf

²¹ DELWP, 'Land for Wildlife' available at: <https://www.wildlife.vic.gov.au/protecting-wildlife/land-for-wildlife>

²² Victorian Planning Authority website, 'Frequently Asked Questions – What is a Residential Growth Zone (RGZ)', 2017, Available at <https://vpa.vic.gov.au/faq/berwick-residential-growth-zone-rgz/>

SEIFA: Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) measures the relative level of socio-economic disadvantage and/or advantage based on a range of Census characteristics.²³

Senescence is the process by which cells irreversibly stop dividing and enter a state of permanent growth arrest without undergoing cell death.²⁴

Significant Landscape Overlay (SLO): The Significant Landscape Overlay (SLO) is a planning overlay and tool for protecting and managing significant landscapes. Its purpose is to identify significant landscapes, and conserve and enhance their character. The SLO can require a permit to construct a building or construct or carry out works, construct a fence, and remove, destroy or lop any vegetation.²⁵

Significant Tree: Some trees, through age, size, and rarity of planting or association with historical events achieve a higher level of importance on private or public land. Identifies the following the categories used to define significant trees as scientific, social, historic, and aesthetic.²⁶

Tree Canopy: The uppermost trees or branches of trees in a forest, forming an almost continuous layer of foliage. The topmost layer of bioactivity in a forest setting.⁶

Urban Forest encompasses all of the Trees, Shrubs and Grasslands – and the Soil and Water that support them. An Urban Forest incorporates vegetation in streets, parks, gardens, plazas, campuses, river and creek embankments, coastal foreshores, wetlands, railway corridors, community gardens, green walls, balconies, and roofs.⁶

Urban Heat Island Effect: The phenomenon of dense urban areas having significantly warmer air and land surface temperatures than surrounding areas.⁶

Useful Life Expectancy (ULE): Assessment of useful life expectancy provides an indication of health and tree appropriateness and involves an estimate of how long a tree is likely to remain in the landscape based on species, stage of life (cycle), health, amenity, environmental services contribution, conflicts with adjacent infrastructure and risk to the community. It is not a measure of the biological life of the tree within the natural range of the species. It is more a measure of the health status and the tree's positive contribution to the urban landscape.⁴

Vegetation Protection Overlay (VPO): The VPO focuses on the protection of significant vegetation, including native and introduced vegetation in urban environments. The overlay can be applied to individual trees, groups of trees or areas of significant vegetation. It requires a landowner to obtain a permit to remove, destroy or lop any vegetation specified in a schedule to the overlay subject to a list of exemptions. Some of those exemptions apply to particular types of vegetation and others apply to specific situations, for example, to clear vegetation from electricity lines and to ensure emergency access.²⁷

²³ Id community, 'Demographic Resources', Available at <https://profile.id.com.au/bayside/seifa-disadvantage-small-area?WebID=10>

²⁴ CSIRO Linked Data Registry, 'Definition of Senescence', Available at <http://registry.it.csiro.au/def/keyword/nature/subjects/senescence>

²⁵ Victorian Planning Authority, 'DPCD South West Victoria Landscape Assessment Study – Regional Overview Report', 2013, Available at https://www.planning.vic.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0023/94820/ROR-Chapter-5-Implementation-Part-2.pdf

²⁶ Bayside City Council, 'Significant Tree Management Policy 2020', 2020, Available at https://www.bayside.vic.gov.au/sites/default/files/trees_parks_and_beaches/significant_tree_management_policy_2020.pdf

²⁷ Victorian Law Reform Commission, '4. Planning law and regulation affecting trees on private land - Vegetation Protection Overlay', Available at <https://lawreform.vic.gov.au/content/introduction-34>

Vulnerability: Exposure to contingencies and stress, and the difficulty in coping with them. This can apply to ecosystems, trees, people, and places.²⁸

Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) is a more sustainable approach to urban planning and design to make use of stormwater and reduce the harm it causes to our natural waterways.²⁹

²⁸ GreenFacts, 'Vulnerability (in ecosystems)', available at: <https://www.greenfacts.org/glossary/tuv/vulnerability-ecosystems.htm>

²⁹ Melbourne Water, 'Introduction to WSUD', available at: <https://www.melbournewater.com.au/building-and-works/stormwater-management/introduction-wsud>



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