

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Brookvale Park is a significant recreational facility which plays an important role in both the local and national sporting environment as well as providing much needed neighbourhood park areas. Almost everyone in Warringah knows Brookvale Park and where it is.

This Plan of Management aims to provide a sound basis for the management of the Park, with Council working towards the fulfilment of the following vision.

**“To develop and manage Brookvale Park in such a way that a harmonious balance is achieved in its use as both a regional sporting/event facility and neighbourhood park. This is to be attained through the ongoing involvement of the community and considering stakeholders needs.”**

As part of the process of preparing this Plan extensive community consultation and research has been undertaken, ensuring that the values and needs of the community are addressed through the management objectives.

The following objectives aim to uphold, protect and enhance community values and address community needs, whilst integrating Council management processes in an ongoing planning framework. They adhere to the requirements of the Local Government Act and are consistent with Council’s objectives for the management of Community Land and other relevant planning policies.

- To develop and implement collaborative and effective decision making and management processes which involve relevant stakeholders and ensure that relevant interests and needs are taken into account.
- To develop Brookvale Park into an area which is open, accessible, attractive and inviting and which caters for both active and passive recreational pursuits.
- To develop the Brookvale Sportsground into a multi-purpose and high standard event facility which is strategically planned and managed and takes the needs of all the Park users and stakeholders into account.
- To formally acknowledge the history and culture of Brookvale Park and the important role it has played within our community since its establishment in 1911.
- To ensure an ongoing commitment to Warringah’s environment through the development of effective and innovative practices to minimise the impact that Brookvale Park may have on the wider area.

In order to maintain and enhance values, this Plan of Management outlines the way that Council will achieve the above management objectives through the management actions (means of achievement) and how it will assess it’s performance (means of assessment). Each action aims to contribute to the achievement of the vision for Brookvale Park.

Key strategies and actions that are proposed include:

- Reconstitute the Advisory Committee.

- Seek new means of generating income.
- Renegotiate the Deed of Agreement with the Manly Warringah Rugby League Club.
- Parking of cars on the Village Green area will no longer be permissible.
- Develop the perimeter neighbourhood park into an attractive, inviting area which caters for a variety of recreational activities.
- Undertake improvement and development of the existing buildings and construct new buildings only if the need is evident.
- Replace the current sportsground surface with a high standard multipurpose surface to allow for greater usage through out the year.
- Recognise and acknowledge the historical significance of Brookvale Park.

A Master Plan, overleaf, for Brookvale Park has been developed in conjunction with this Plan of Management. The Master Plan is based on the values and the key management actions identified for the Park. The Master Plan represents and identifies the key management objectives for the Park and shows the indicative location of the key actions. It should be noted that the Master Plan is a guide only and details may change slightly once the detailed design of facilities is undertaken.