

# **Diggers Rest Recreation Reserve Master Plan**

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Melton City Council has commissioned the development of a Master Plan for Diggers Rest Recreation Reserve that will drive the community's vision for the Reserve, and provide clear strategic direction for the future planning, development and management of facilities and infrastructure.

#### **Project Background and Objectives**

The City of Melton has grown significantly since adoption of the 2007 Diggers Rest Recreation Reserve Master Plan, with Council's 2016-2026 Open Space Plan identifying the need to update the 2007 Master Plan as a high priority.

Through development of an updated Master Plan, Council is aiming to identify future Reserve development and improvement opportunities that respond to sporting club and community needs, as well as improving access and increasing activation of Diggers Rest Recreation Reserve. The final Master Plan will provide a clear vision for the Reserve and will be used as a key planning and implementation document for both government and community stakeholders.

# **Project Management**

A Melton City Council Project Working Group has been developed to guide project direction, communication and consultation strategies. The Project Working Group will assist the Project Consultants in managing project milestones, communications and consultation processes, as well as being responsible for approving project recommendations and reporting outputs.





### Who will be involved?

insideEDGE will engage with key local government representatives, peak sporting bodies, local clubs and associations, recreation and community groups, local residents, schools and Sport and Recreation Victoria.

All stakeholders will have the opportunity to contribute towards the development of the Diggers Rest Recreation Reserve Master Plan through interactive workshops, meetings, interviews and surveys. Key stakeholder groups identified for consultation include but are not limited to:

- Diggers Rest Bulla Village Cricket Club
- · Diggers Rest Tennis Club
- · Diggers Rest Football Netball Club
- Diggers Rest Junior Football Netball Club
- · Diggers Rest Auskick
- Diggers Rest community and recreation groups
- · Diggers Rest Primary School
- · Diggers Rest community

# **Project Approach**

The Diggers Rest Recreation Reserve Master Plan project will be undertaken in four key stages and delivered by September 2017. The following diagram outlines the key tasks and timelines to be delivered during each stage.

STAGE 1	STAGE 2	STAGE 3	STAGE 4
Project	Stakeholder	Background Review and	Final Report and
Establishment	Engagement	Analysis	Master Plan
April17	May	June / July	September
	2017	2017	2017

#### **Project Consultants**

Melton City Council has engaged leading sports consultant, insideEDGE Sport and Leisure Planning to undertake the Diggers Rest Recreation Reserve Master Plan project.

insideEDGE is a consulting firm based in Melbourne who have developed a number of state and regional facility Master Plans for government and state sporting associations and delivered major state and peak sporting body engagement strategies.

In addition to their own sports facility master planning and management experience, *insideEDGE* will be working with experienced landscape and building architects, ACLA Consultants and JMA Architects.

The three businesses have significant experience within their specialist fields and have completed a range of similar projects for Councils throughout metropolitan Melbourne, regional Victoria and South Australia.

insideEDGE will be led by Senior Sport and Recreation Consultant Adrian Wilson, who will be responsible for all project deliverables, including project consultation activities and managing ongoing stakeholder communications.

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#### **Next Steps**

insideEDGE is currently conducting a desktop review of available Reserve information before commencing stakeholder engagement in May. All key stakeholder groups will be advised of upcoming consultation activities by Melton City Council later this month.

#### **Contact Us**

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