

Catchment and neighbourhood assessments

The following analysis assesses provision of recreation activities and embellishments at the catchment and neighbourhood level (see Section 6 for a description of catchments and neighbourhoods).

There are six catchments and 54 neighbourhoods that cover the current and future urban areas of the mainland, the three urban settlements of North Stradbroke Island, Coochiemudlo Island and the four Southern Moreton Bay Islands.

The catchment level analysis considers factors such as:

- the provision of a diversity of recreation opportunities and sporting activities across each catchment and whether they can be better linked to provide recreation corridors
- does the built form encourage people to be physically active i.e. is riding a bicycle or walking a viable and attractive alternative to car travel for shorter trips?
- within the catchment are there issues with crossing major roads or other barriers and are there
 any solutions?
- where does medium density housing exist and where is it planned? Is it well serviced by recreation opportunities in public and private open space?
- are there any 'hidden gems' that should be secured for open space?
- · are the footpaths and walkways linked and logical?

There is a suite of recreation embellishments that Council believes should be provided, over time, in each catchment. Key elements include:

- dynamic or fixed physical activity stations
- · outdoor wedding and ceremony spaces
- ramp parks
- a major all-abilities playground complemented with large picnic areas
- community gardens¹
- a number of fenced or unfenced dog off-leash areas
- public art in suitable locations
- · meeting places for young people
- access to nature on bushwalking trails
- access to a range of sporting codes
- a place for festival and events

Additionally, some sites may lend themselves for use by commercial operators, for example personal trainers and these have been identified and recommended for assessment. Council may pursue these opportunities where it does not detract from public enjoyment of the area.

At the neighbourhood level every recreation and sport open space has been inspected to assess its current role in providing recreation opportunities and whether it has capacity to take on additional or different roles, and even whether it should have its use changed—usually because it replicates the facilities and experiences of an open space area very nearby.

Each open space area was assessed for:

- · its recreation function and hierarchy role
- · what the park is being used for and what it could be used for
- issues, opportunities or constraints concerning the most suitable functioning of the park
- the surrounding roads and paths to determine if the parks and open spaces can be easily and safely accessed
- location to a medium density zoned area

In terms of embellishment, the assessments were looking at the suitability of a park or open space to provide for the following activities:

¹ Council's role will be in providing sites to suitably incorporated groups to develop a community garden.

Council will not be providing the infrastructure

- a space for kicking a ball, including goal posts
- suitability as a potential site for a community garden
- any natural areas that may be suited to natural play
- features or other aspects that would allow for naturebased play
- toddler and primary school age play
- teenage meeting places or teenage play
- physical activity stations
- dog off-leash areas
- commercial use opportunities
- heritage trees or structures

Importantly, it should be noted:

- the activities recommended for each park, if supported by the community following an extensive consultation period, will be delivered in a priority order
- 2. the overall time frame for delivery of the strategy's recommendations is 14 years (2012—2026)
- 3. many of the embellishments will not be provided until the existing asset in the park is due for renewal and replacement
- 4. the recommendations will inform the asset management program of Council which has, as a priority, management and renewal of existing assets





Map Legends

Planning Scheme

The following legend should be used to interpret the Redland Planning Scheme maps in each Neighbourhood Analysis. So as not to clutter the page it is not repeated throughout.



Open Space Maps

Similarly to above the following legend should be used to interpret the open space plan maps in each Neighbourhood Analysis.

It should be noted that the classifications reflect the current system as defined in the Redland Open Space Plan 2004—2016. These will be changed to reflect the current terminology and definitions on adoption by Council of this Strategy.

Open Space Plan 2004-2016 Park Catchment Names	
Regional Recreation or Sport Park	
District Recreation or Sport Park	
Local Park	
Conservation Reserve	

Catchment 1

Catchment 1 is made up of the suburbs of Birkdale, Wellington Point and Thorneside.

This catchment contains established areas that experienced 8.5% growth from 2001-2006 as farms were redeveloped into diverse residential areas. Over the next twenty years the population is expected to grow by 18.1% for a total population of 33,862, or 5,188 people more than in 2006.

It is expected that there will be more than 2,100 new dwellings built over the twenty years to 2026 with nearly all being infill developments. The new housing stock will comprise more than 40% as attached medium density buildings. There are increasing stocks of public housing in this catchment.

While the population is dominated by older people, stakeholders identify issues with young people in this area. There are increasing stocks of public housing in this catchment

Recreation and sporting opportunities in Catchment 1 are outlined below.

Picnicking

The best picnic parks for larger groups are the following parks which all have public toilets and barbecues:

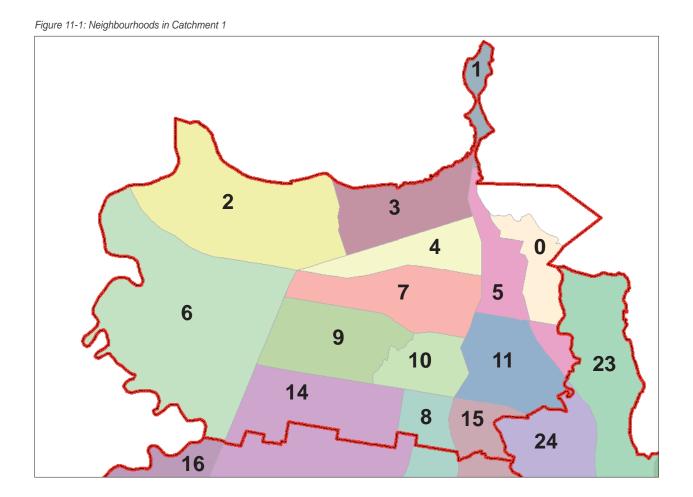
- Aquatic Paradise West
- Beth Boyd Park
- Wellington Point Reserve

Exercising dogs off-leash

The following dog off-leash areas are provided in the catchment:

- Three Paddocks Park, Birkdale
 - large size
 - does not have a small dog enclosure
- · Lachlan Street Park, Birkdale
 - large size
 - does not have a small dog enclosure
- Aquatic Paradise West Foreshore Park, Birkdale
 - large size
 - not fenced
 - does not have a small dog enclosure
- King Island, off Wellington Point and accessible at low
 tide.

It is proposed that an off-leash area will be built at Judy Holt Sportsfields in the future.



Access to nature

Walking and bike riding access into natural bushland areas is an opportunity available in Catchment 1 in smaller reserves including:

- Ashwood Circuit Creek Corridor
- Harrogate Bushland Refuge
- Heritage Drive Urban Habitat
- Hilliards Creek Corridor Montgomery Drive
- Judy Holt Bushland Reserve
- Sovereign Waters Foreshore
- Wellington Point Foreshore

A bird hide has been placed on the edge of the Geoff Skinner Wetlands to encourage bird watching and fauna spotting.

Weddings and ceremonies

Consideration should be given to developing a special area in a number of parks to accommodate weddings and ceremonies undercover and able to be booked especially for this type of event. Toilets are always a consideration when encouraging large gatherings in parks including wedding and ceremonies. Only parks with existing public toilets, access to toilets or a reasonable chance of having them built in the future should be encouraged as wedding ceremony venues in the future

Wellington Point Reserve is the most popular park for weddings and ceremonies in this Catchment.

Aquatic Paradise West Park is a potential location for development.

Skate board riding and BMX

The recommendations of the *Redland City Ramp Park* Strategy 2008 should be implemented.

There is no catchment level ramp park in Catchment 1. There is a BXM track in Three Paddocks Park and a BMX track in Apex Park with a series of small bike jumps that run through to Heritage Drive Park. There is a skate trail and small half pipe in William Taylor Memorial Park.

A location for a catchment level ramp park needs to be found and this remains an activity and open space shortfall is this catchment. Discussions with the community over the community feedback period of this strategy may assist in finding a location that is suitable.

Sport

The following sporting activities can be undertaken in Catchment 1 primarily in Council sport parks.

- 1. cricket
- 2. dog training
- 3. football (soccer)
- 4. netball
- 5. petanque
- 6. rugby union
- 7. softball
- 8. tennis
- 9. water sports

Sports Park Master Plans

The Judy Holt Sportsfields master plan is recommending the continuation and future provision of the following activities:

- existing: formal cricket areas, practice cricket nets, rugby union, dog obedience, highland festivals, bushwalking tracks, scout's facilities
- future: physical activity, toddler and primary play, walking/ running tracks, personal training area, yoga and tai chi area, mountain bike track, adventure ropes course, nature-based play area, dog off-leash areas

The EGW Wood Sportsfields master plan is recommending the continuation and future provision of the following activities—cricket, netball, bocce and tennis.

William Taylor Memorial Sportsfields casters to football, netball, BMX, petangue, ramp/ wheeled sports and tennis

The Commonwealth lands at Birkdale are continuing to be investigated for possible future use for sporting and recreation purposes to help meet a longer term shortfall of land for sport in the city.

All-abilities play

Council aims to have a destination level, all-abilities play facility in each catchment. There is no playground that meets this criterion in this catchment. Any future all-abilities destination level playground should be located on the eastern side of Wellington Point Reserve. Parking and public toilets however will need to be considered.

Festival space

A festival or event could be held in the following parks as these parks have ample off-street and on-street car parking and suitable street layout to support good traffic flow:

- EGW Wood Sportsfields
- · William Taylor Memorial Sportsfields

Park user comfort

The following parks and recreation areas and facilities have public toilets:

- Apex Park
- Aquatic Paradise West Park
- Beth Boyd Park
- Helen Street Boat Ramp
- Jack and Edna Finney Reserve
- Montgomery Drive Park
- Pye Lane, Wellington Point Village
- Wellington Point Reserve
- William Taylor Memorial Park
- William Taylor Memorial Sportsfields

A number of catchment parks require a public toilet.

Walking and cycling

- the Moreton Bay Cycleway is already in development in Catchment 1
- the bridge over Tingalpa Creek has been upgraded with a cycle and pedestrian lane that now connects Redland City to Brisbane City and completes an expensive piece of Moreton Bay Cycleway infrastructure
- · formed footpaths are present along all main roads
- a number of parks have path systems developed internally including Three Paddocks Park and Aquatic Paradise West. These pathways support physical activity and make the parks accessible for everyone.
- a number of new path systems and connections are recommended though and some are being planned for in parks master plan and through the cycling and pedestrian planning process

Indoor community activities

The recommendations for management of the city's Community Halls are outlined in the *Strategic Halls Review* (2010).

There are three community halls in the catchment including:

- Birkdale
- Thorneside
- Wellington Point

Commercial activities in open space

Assessments for future commercial use of parkland should be undertaken in the following areas:

- Apex Park
- Bailey Road Park
- Beth Boyd Park
- Bilbury Street Park
- Byng Road Park
- EGW Wood Sportsfields
- Goodall Street Park
- Heritage Drive Urban Habitat
- Jack and Edna Finney Reserve
- Judy Holt Sportsfields
- Montgomery Drive Park
- Plantation Place Park
- Riverton Drive Park
- Rosella Street Park
- Valantine Park
- Wellington Point Reserve

Water-based recreation

Boat ramps and beach and creek access for boats are provided in the following parks:

- · Helen Street, Thorneside
- Sovereign Waters Lake
- The Esplanade, Thorneside (in design)
- · Wellington Point Reserve

Destination parks (T1)

Wellington Point Recreation Reserve is recommended to continue to be recognised as one of the city's most popular destination and recreation parks.

Catchment level recreation parks (T2)

The following parks are recommended to be the catchment level (T2) parks and the key recreation activities within each park include:

- Three Paddocks Park—large dog off-leash area, large BMX track
- Community Purpose land (Lachlan Street Park)—large dog off-leash area. Proximity to medium density means this open space needs to be developed for a wider district use. A master plan is required
- Apex Park—BMX track, multi-age play activities
- Valantine Park—enclosed dog off-leash area, large kick-about space, potential space to meet the needs of medium density living and infill development
- Bailey Road Park—future potential to meet the needs of medium density living and infill development. A master plan is required
- Beth Boyd Park—multi-age play activities, public toilets
- Aquatic Paradise West Park—large unfenced off-leash area, multi-age play activities, public toilets. A master plan is required
- Jack and Edna Finney Reserve—future potential to meet the needs of medium density living and infill development. A master plan is required

School facilities

- there are four primary school in the Catchment
- there is one secondary school in the Catchment
- there is one P-12 school in the Catchment

These schools have a range of sporting and recreation activity areas some of which maybe be being used by the wider community including:

- basketball courts (outdoor, indoor)
- cricket ovals
- cricket practise nets
- football fields (football, league, union)
- kick-about space
- playgrounds
- sports halls
- swimming pools
- tennis courts



Outdoor recreation opportunities

The following outdoor recreation activities are able to be undertaken in this Catchment:

- bird watching and nature study
- BMX riding
- boating (kayaking, power boating, sailing, para-sailing, canoeing)
- bushwalking in urban conservation reserves
- · cycling in conservation reserves
- cycling on the Moreton Bay Cycleway
- fishing
- on-road cycling
- · picnicking in bush and urban parkland settings
- scouting
- swimming in the bay

Signature experiences and locations

- access to Moreton Bay for boating and swimming
- bird watching in Geoff Skinner Wetlands
- walking to King Island along the sand bar
- the Birkdale Lookout which will one day be developed on the top of the Birkdale Landfill after it is closed and rehabilitated
- paddling and boating in Tingalpa Creek
- recreating at Wellington Point Reserve

Description

Neighbourhood 1 comprises of the peninsula part of Wellington Point and stops at the isthmus just north of Beachcrest Road. The peninsular juts into Waterloo and Raby Bay. The neighbourhood area is approximately 30 ha.

Land use

The neighbourhood is generally urban residential with detached housing. An area of medium density zoned land exists on the middle, western edge of peninsula. This area is approximately 2.6 ha in area. There is small local area zone abutting Wellington Point Reserve. The peninsula has a green and treed conservation fringe and Wellington Point Reserve is the only recreation parkland within the neighbourhood (see Figure 11-2).

Open space issues

The open space in this neighbourhood (see Figure 11-3) is on the periphery, located down each side of the peninsula. The residential properties on the lower portion of the peninsula have immediate water frontage and by and large the planning scheme protects these rights. Obtaining future land, on the periphery to continue the conservation fringe would be a very expensive exercise.

The main park is Wellington Point Reserve which functions as a neighbourhood, catchment and destination park all in one. This strategy recommends that Wellington Point Reserve retains its destination status. The park provides most of the activities that are considered desirable within each neighbourhood including play facilities, a kick-about space, physical activity stations, nature-based play (water and tree based), access to the beach and King Island where off-leash dog walking is permitted, picnicking and barbecues. The park provides access to the water for a wide range of activities.

The park also is one of the primary boat lunching areas in the city and the region. It is also a popular park for weddings and ceremonies and consideration should be given to providing a ceremony pergola in an appropriate location in the park.

Access issues

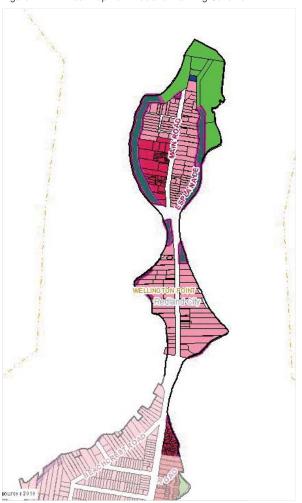
There are no constructed footpaths in local streets in the neighbourhood—residents need to use the grass verges or the street when walking.

Pedestrian and cycle movement throughout this neighbourhood is via the north-south footpath corridor along Main Road. The neighbourhood is relatively flat and very popular for walking and cycling. Wellington Point Reserve is a great destination to walk and cycle to and forms a great loop. Access is also available off Main Road to the park by a path system and boardwalk down the east side of the peninsula through bushland.

Crossing Main Road may be an issue for some people. Even though Main Road is traffic-calmed but because of Wellington Point Reserve, it carries at lot of traffic at a wide variety of times.



Figure 11-2: Extract map from Redland Planning Scheme



In the future, when renewal of the footpath is being planned for consideration should be given to widening the footpath to three metres to accommodate increased walking for this neighbourhood and adjoining neighbourhoods and for foot traffic to the park. Consideration should be given to providing this access down both sides of Main Road.

Other matters

- there are no community facilities in this neighbourhood
- a bus service runs all the way to Wellington Point Reserve and planning for the park has and will continue to need to provide for this service
- Wellington Point Reserve still experiences 'hooning' from single and multiple vehicles despite attempts to trafficcalm the car park to deter this activity

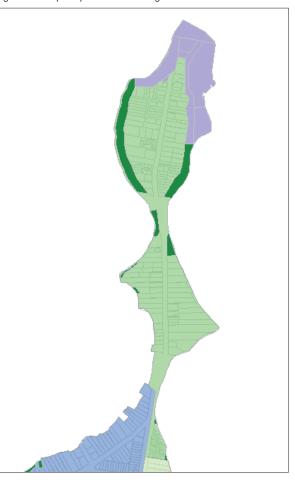
Overview of proposed key actions

- consider providing a footpath down both sides of Main Road
- Wellington Point Reserve should be assessed for commercial use
- bike racks are required at various locations around Wellington Point particularly in the reserve
- 4. a wedding and ceremony pergola should be considered for Wellington Point Reserve
- the public toilets in Wellington Point Reserve (east and west) should be assessed for renewal or replacement, usage details and operating costs are outlined in At Your Convenience: A strategic review of public toilets 2011
- 6. use of the trailer car parks in Wellington Point Reserve should be expanded to allow cars to park in one or more trailer parking areas at certain time of the day for example after noon. This would allow a greater number park visitors access for lunch time picnics and meals

Neighbourhood shortfall

- a location for a future community garden has not been identified
- the walk out to King Island at half to low tide is considered to provide the best opportunity in the neighbourhood to walk a dog off-leash

Figure 11-3: Open space areas in Neighbourhood 1



Description

Neighbourhood 2 comprises all of Thorneside and the northwestern section of Birkdale. It is bounded by Tingalpa Creek in the west, the railway line to the south, Moreton Bay to the north and Wood Canal in the east.

The neighbourhood is approximately 331 ha in area and 2.8 km long and 2 km at its widest point (from Mooroondu Point to Quarry Road).

Land use

The neighbourhood is generally urban residential with detached housing (see Figure 11-4). Almost all of Aquatic Paradise canal estate is in the neighbourhood.

There are small pockets of medium density including areas around the Thorneside Railway Station, the Birkdale Shopping Centre and the railway station.

The neighbourhood has an area of commercial industry and community purpose land for schooling and a local and district retail centre.

Open space issues

Much of the neighbourhood has an excellent covering of vegetation with lots of large trees and bushland areas shading parks and footpaths.

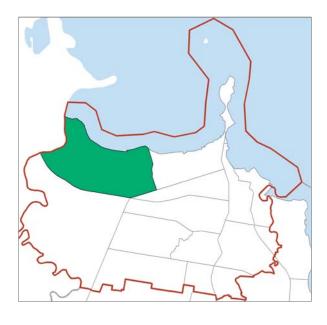
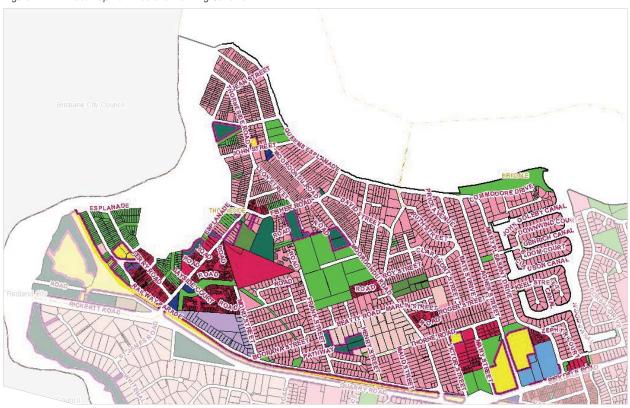


Figure 11-4: Extract map from Redland Planning Scheme



A stand out area however is Queens Esplanade which has limited vegetation with the main foreshore footpath exposed to the heat of the day. Moving about this area in summer would be best early in the morning or late afternoon and evening.

There is good distribution of parkland and open space including a sportsfields, foreshore parks and walkways and numerous neighbourhood parks (see Figure 11-5).

The main activities available in parkland in the neighbourhood include sport (football, cricket, petanque, netball, tennis), BMX riding, wheeled play, toddler and primary play and picnicking. A community hall is located at William Taylor Memorial Sportsfields.

Access issues

The neighbourhood is highly walkable with a footpath system connecting residents to parks and foreshore areas. The neighbourhood is relatively flat and the roads are straightforward to cross. The school and shopping centre are well connected by pathways.

Other matters

- for consideration—community use of open space at Birkdale Primary School
- use of William Taylor Memorial Sportsfields by Birkdale Primary School
- use of path systems at night should be investigated to see if any of the pathways need lighting for safety

- purposes particularly in the medium density areas and the connections to the commercial industrial area
- William Taylor Memorial Park is also, along with the CP Land in N7, one of the primary recreation areas for residents on the medium density housing in N4—Napier Street and Myra Streets, as there is no open space within this residential area
- pedestrian safety between Birkdale Railway Station and William Taylor Memorial Sportsfields need to be examined and maintained

Overview of proposed key actions

- 1. William Taylor Memorial Park (Mary St and Victor Street):
 - link both sides of the park better through design, path connections and vegetation management.
 Develop nature-based play and environmental education opportunities in this park. Consult with the school to involve teachers and children in the development and ongoing use of the park
 - consider renaming this park to avoid ongoing confusion with William Taylor Memorial Sportsfields (e.g. Birkdale Central Park)
- 2. William Taylor Memorial Sportsfields:
 - develop an all-weather, formed path link along the
 Ivy Street alignment through to Frank Street
 - upgrade the playground to include toddler and primary play, (see *Halls Strategy* for Community hub recommendation)
- 3. Beth Boyd Park—the public toilets in this park need to be assessed for replacement (refer to *At Your Convenience*:

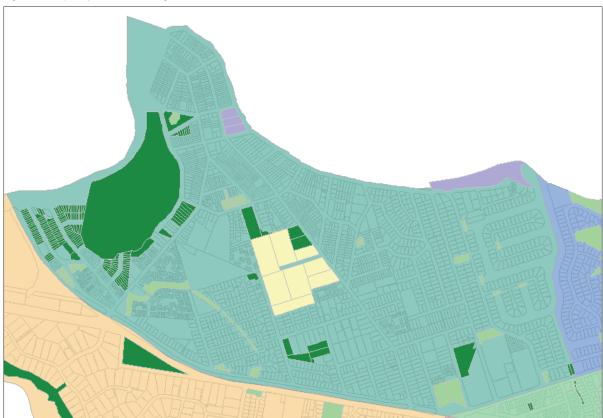


Figure 11-5: Open space areas in Neighbourhood 2

- A strategic review of public toilets 2011). The park would benefit from the development of a park master plan with community engagement. This park should be assessed for commercial use (e.g. personal trainers)
- Aquatic Paradise Park West—remove post and rail bollards and replace with vertical posts to allow for improved access into the park particularly for people with mobility problems
- 5. Jack and Edna Finney Reserve:
 - urgently requires consideration about its future use and management. A park master plan needs to be developed
 - the area leased to the Canoe Club should become community purpose land
 - the area is very large and could accommodate a wide range of uses and could be considered to be a catchment park. Considering the amount of medium density housing in the immediate area and the access to the site provided by the train station, the park could provide a wide range of activities
 - improved access to the water is likely to be provided in the future and this use could dominate the parklands (with car parking and boat ramp traffic)
- Railway Parade Park—would be a good location for the development of a community garden for access by the residents in the medium density area and beyond
- 7. Gradi Court Park—due to its exposed location on a main road it is not recommended to continue to provide play facilities in this location. This park could be fully fenced and turned into a dog off-leash area for local use or a community garden (the park area is approximately 2,000 m²). It large enough not to cause disturbance to local residents and has good parking on Railway Parade for people who drive to the park
- Booran Street Park—should become a meeting place park for workers in the local industrial area. The park could be mulched and a couple of picnic tables could be installed in the shady park
- Agnes Street Park—the visibility into this park needs to be improved. Platform tables could be provided so that parents can enjoy the park, take a picnic or change a baby
- Change the zoning of Merril and Rob Overden Park to Community Purpose



Description

Neighbourhood 3 comprises parts of Wellington Point and the eastern edge of Birkdale. The neighbourhood boundaries include Main Road in the east, Birkdale Road in the south, Waterloo Bay in the north and Wood Canal in the west. The neighbourhood is approximately 146 ha in area. The majority of the neighbourhood is relatively flat however as you move from west to east the landform rises up steeply from between 8-10 m thus making the neighbourhood a challenging walk or cycle.

Land use

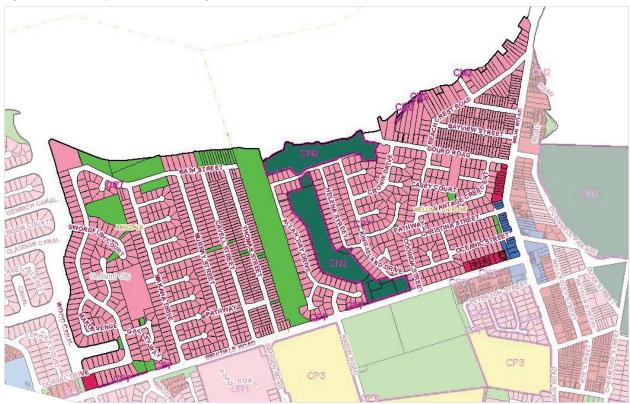
The neighbourhood is generally urban residential with detached housing (see Figure 11-6).

There are three small pockets of medium density all in the immediate vicinity of commercial precincts. About 50% of the medium density zoned area has been developed as such. There is a large area of medium density on the eastern side of Main Road in Neighbourhood 1.

There is one neighbourhood centre, commonly known as the Wellington Point Village. All other land use is open space.



Figure 11-6: Extract map from Redland Planning Scheme



Open space issues

The primary open space area for recreation activities within this walkable neighbourhood is Three Paddocks Park (see Figure 11-7). The park is situated in about the middle of the neighbourhood and is easily accessible from both sides. Activities provided for in the park include off-leash dog exercising, BMX bike riding, kick-about, walking, cycling, picnicking. This park will continue to have a catchment classification because of its importance in terms of providing a recreation space for the whole neighbourhood and the wider catchment.

There are foreshore parklands, with one being heavily vegetated while the other has little or no vegetation.

There are a small number of neighbourhood parks with potential to provide a variety of recreation activities.

Access issues

There are no formed footpaths in local streets. Residents will be walking on grass verges or the street.

The west to east is linked by a path system both along the water front, until you get to the end of Alan Day Drive and along Birkdale Road. The water front section of path forms part of the Moreton Bay Cycleway. To walk or cycle through to Wellington Point Village a small detour has to be made along Cronin Drive up to Douro Road. A path system and good signs are in place.

Three Paddocks Parks provides a great off-road path system through to Birkdale Road.

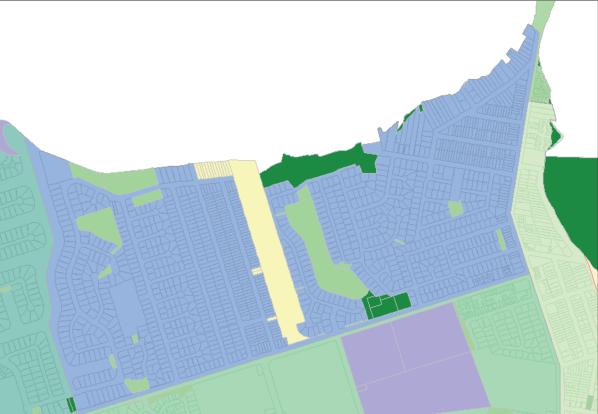
All other parks are providing important walking connections for moving about the neighbourhood.

Overview of proposed key actions

- Galley Way #1—at time of renewal do not replace the pergola but replace with a seat for resting
- William Eickenoff Park—the park should remain a nature-based play park with only the provision of some seating or picnic facilities to make it easier and more comfortable for people to use. The entry off Swordfish Court should be concreted and made more obvious
- Aquatic Paradise East Park:
 - should be considered as a physical activity park with space provided for informal football games and kite flying, in other words activities that require treeless spaces. The turf should be improved to cater for these activities
 - a small basketball court could be provided closer to the water front and away from the houses
 - a picnic node would complement these other uses (pergola, table, seat, bubbler) and service the active area
- Bath Street Park—consideration should be given to possibly relocating the playground equipment (when it is time for renewal), across the road to Aquatic Paradise East Park



Figure 11-7: Open space areas in Neighbourhood 3



- 5. Three Paddocks Park is a catchment park located in this neighbourhood. The park:
 - provides a small variety of activities that require large areas of land including a large dog off-leash area and a BMX track
 - could be developed to provide a wider range of activities for the neighbourhood including a jogging and walking circuit around the perimeter of the park for exercise
 - urgently requires a car park off Birkdale Road to alleviate the noise and residential amenity issues with people accessing the DOLA from Thomas Street
 - users would also benefit from a small public toilet in the park to enable longer visits. A public toilet in this park would also benefit people using the Moreton Bay Cycleway. The nearest public toilet is in Pye Lane in Wellington Point Village
- Sovereign Waters Foreshore—is a conservation foreshore that people can access by excellent walkways. There is a delightful break out area before you cross the bridge into Three Paddocks Park. This space provides for quiet contemplation and enjoying nature
- Gwingarra Street Urban Habitat—people have made bike jumps in this bush in this location. Consideration should be given to fixing them up and leaving them there as a nature-based play space

Shortfall

- a location for a community garden could not be recommended
- a location for commercial uses (e.g. personal trainers) could not be recommended

Description

Neighbourhood 4 comprises part of Wellington Point and part of Birkdale and is approximately 101 ha in area.

The neighbourhood boundaries are the railway line to the south, Birkdale Road in the north and Main Road to the east.

Land use

The neighbourhood has a diversity of land uses (see Figure 11-8) with only a portion being for detached low density housing, small sections of medium in the west and north-east and a large section of community and open space zoned land in the middle.

Open space issues

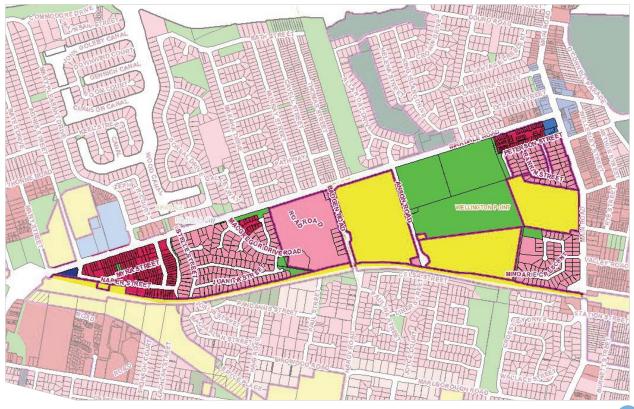
The EGW Wood Sportsfields and two adjoining neighbourhood parks are the only recreation open space in the neighbourhood. The master plan is in development for EGW Wood Sportsfields and the needs of the neighbourhood have been considered during the development of the plan.

The medium density area has no open space available in the immediate vicinity but has a walking path associated with access to the railway station into the CP Land in N7.

Existing open space is shown in Figure 11-9.



Figure 11-8: Extract map from Redland Planning Scheme



Access issues

The main walking and cycling access around the neighbourhood is along Birkdale Road and also through EGW Wood Sportsfields to the high schools and beyond.

The movement of people through the community purpose land (CP) and open space areas (schools and sportsfields) needs to be thoroughly investigated and a plan for connecting the path systems with the destinations needs to be developed and implemented.

Other matters

Both Wellington Point State School and Wellington Manor have developed garden plots for growing fruit and vegetables.

Overview of proposed key actions

- Juanita Street Park—the back unused 2,900 m² section
 of this park should be considered for an unfenced dog
 off-leash area to service the needs of the adjoining
 residents and the retirement village and nursing home.
 An opening from Wellington Manor to this part of the
 park could be established
- EGW Wood Sportsfields—refer to the park master plan for the full list of activities to be provided in this parkland. These activities include: play for toddler and primary school children, tennis, cricket, indoor sport, netball, walking and cycling, nature-based play. Develop an implementation strategy for the delivery of the recommendations
- Wharton Street Park—renew the toddler playground in this park in time. Primary play will be provided for next door in EGW Wood Sportsfields
- 4. Develop and implement a pedestrian and cycleway plan for the school and sportsfields precinct

Shortfall

- a logical area for young people to hang out despite there being two high schools in the neighbourhood
- a location for a future community garden could not be found

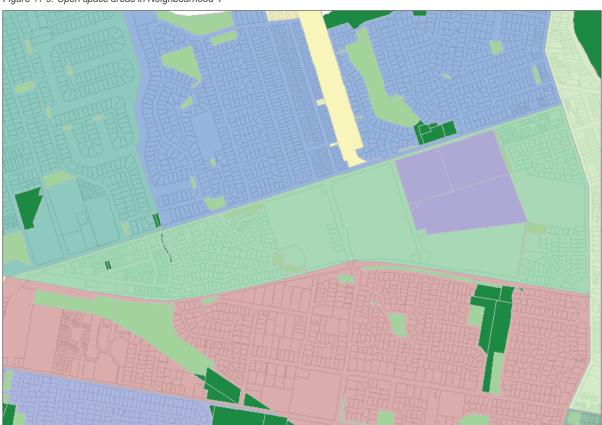


Figure 11-9: Open space areas in Neighbourhood 4