1. Waterview Park / Northern Portal

Loss of open space quantum at Waterview Park is offset by improvements to the quality, connectivity, and safety of the local open space network. The esplanade reserve running from Great North Road to Oakley Esplanade will be improved by the addition of a 20m riparian strip north of the interchange, and the acquisition of properties to improve access to esplanade reserve from Waterbank Crescent, and complete and connect the Oakley Esplanade coastal link with Oakley Ave.

Saxon Reserve, with its central location within the Waterview community could offset the community function of Waterview Park. Saxon Reserve would be expanded to include the three properties on its southern boundary, and include new and upgraded community facilities.

Emphasis on local open space replacement has been prioritised by the community. Replacement land around the former Waterview Park is proposed for replacement as active community open space. A 30m wide bunded & planted buffer ensures that effects of the motorway interchange to the east will be minimised.

Further open space upgrades include the development of an archaeological park based around the Star Mill site on Oakley Creek which fulfils a passive open space and community function.

2. Oakley Creek Steep Valley (Phyllis and Harbutt Reserves)

Discussions underway to investigate ‘partnership’ option for Phyllis Reserve, relocating the clubrooms building to allow for creation of extra senior field, and incorporation of adjacent residential properties to allow active recreation provision and increased reserve visibility.

Reserves linked by 3m width shared footpath/cycleway, including an at-grade link across Oakley Creek to connect to Heron Park and Waterview community, as well as a bridge over the Western Rail Line at Soljak Place to link Harbutt Reserve with Alan Wood Reserve to the south.

Further improvements to reserve character which fall outside of the scope of this work include restoration of the vegetation along the creek's margins, and acquisition of properties to the east of Hendon Reserve to improve CPTED issues and ultimately, provide potential for further active open space, if required.

3. Designation Section (Alan Wood/Hendon Reserves)

Motorway and rail alignment pulled to north and rationalised to free up linked, larger areas of reserve land to the south, in combination with the extended SH20 pedestrian/cycleway path. Partnership option being pursued with HNZ (who collectively own the majority of the houses along Hendon Avenue) to investigate redevelopment of housing centrally along Hendon Avenue, allowing for large areas of street-fronting open space to the east and west. These areas would allow temporary playing fields during the construction period, with the western area long term reverting to housing as rail develops and severs the open space, with the eastern end remaining open space in the long term.

Incorporation of the 25 Valonia St property to the South of the motorway allows for ‘like for like’ senior playing field replacement, links Valoria Reserve to rest of network, and allows for significant ecological and hydrological enhancements, over and above both the base and consented condition.

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**Summarised Open Space Concept**

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