

Carss Bush Park | Landscape Master Plan



What the park might feel like in, say, 20 years time?

OVERALL AMBITION FOR THE PARK

Carss Bush Park will:

- Retain its place as a pre-eminent waterside open space on Kogarah Bay, with links to the water body and its recreational uses, and to other foreshore reserves
- Value and maintain appropriately its heritage fabric
- Demonstrate leading practices with regard to climate change, biodiversity and foreshore open space development
- Provide a diverse range of recreation opportunities in a loose-fit, lightly structured passive open space setting
- Be managed in such a way as to support its popularity while avoiding the negative impacts of over-use.

THE SPACES

- 1 Western car park. Layout adjusted for greater efficiency and higher capacity.
- 2 Stormwater. Treatment to improve water quality.
- 3 Planting. New planting to south-western boundary.
- 4 Western approach/valley path. New, wider path for pedestrians and cyclists.
- 5 Valley picnic areas. Improved facilities including pavilions and cooking facilities.
- 6 Café/restaurant. Covered area in front, screened service area to the east.
- 7 Playground. Re-modelled central playground.
- **8** First aid station. First floor residence removed and heritage first aid station retained and re-roofed.
- **9** Entry mezzanine terrace. Provides a pedestrian-only park entrance, and an enlarged terrace associated with the life saving pavilion.
- 10 Beach promenade and eastern side of baths. Widened path, new seating, showers and lighting. Existing pool fence removed, existing sea wall raised above pavement level.
- 11 Entry road Carwar Avenue. Existing alignment retained, but with 90 degree parking added.
- **12** Carss' cottage. Protect heritage values, carry out further consultation regarding possible wider range of uses.
- **13** Kogarah Bay edge, east. New path and planting arrangement to deal with storm surges and spray degrading the area. New lighting and furniture.
- 14 Jetty. Suitable for fishing and for docking small craft.
- 15 Baths. Develop action plan to improve and maintain quality of baths for swimming.
- **16** Baths promenade west. Converted to a broad paved promenade/pier with pavilions, lighting and furniture. Existing pool fence removed, existing sea wall raised above pavement level.
- 17 Creek and foreshore 're-naturalised'. Sea wall partly demolished, rocky foreshore with mangroves and sandy areas substituted.
- **18** New toilet and washing facility. Final detail location to be determined.
- 19 Active conservation of the bush. Support the natural values of the hill.