# Draft Enoggera Memorial Park Sport and Recreation Precinct Plan

**Creating more to see and do in a clean and green Brisbane means more opportunities to enjoy Brisbane’s beautiful climate and connect with family and friends in the places that make our city great, like Enoggera Memorial Park.**

## Project background

Enoggera Memorial Park is a sports park located in the north-west of Brisbane, approximately 10 km from the CBD. The park directly adjoins Hillbrook Anglican School to the east and Kedron Brook to the north. There are residential uses to the west and Hurdcotte Street to the south. Vehicle access is from Mott Street and Hurdcotte Street. There is also informal pedestrian access from the east.

The park is in great demand and existing lessees seek further facility expansion and upgrade. As a result, there is a clear need to review the existing layout and uses of Enoggera Memorial Park through the Enoggera Memorial Park Sport and Recreation Precinct Plan.

## Existing situation

Enoggera Memorial Park is zoned Sport and Recreation at a district level. The Enoggera Memorial Park Sport and Recreation Precinct Plan covers all the park, including the sporting uses, recreation uses and community use areas.

Enoggera Memorial Park is approximately 10 ha and accommodates three playing fields. There is one rugby union field and two AFL fields, one of which is also used as a cricket oval and a rugby field. There are two clubhouses, one of which is shared between the Mayne Tigers AFL Club and the Ashgrove Cricket Club. The second clubhouse is used solely by the Everton Park Junior Rugby Union Club. Hillbrook School and the Scouts Association occupy the three buildings located at the front of the park fronting Hurdcotte Street.

The site is actively utilised and programmed for a significant portion of each year by these groups and seasonal overlap does exist between the AFL and cricket seasons. The facilities in the park are also enjoyed by local residents for recreation.

## Key findings to date

The demand for improvements to Enoggera Memorial Park has been established through consultation with park lessees, users and local residents.

The main findings from consultation are:

* *Overall*
* the sporting uses in this park are at capacity during peak times and community demand for sport is increasing
* *Sports*
  + the existing infrastructure of the park is considered to be at capacity with no further ability to accommodate additional sporting use at peak times
  + participation numbers across user groups showed reasonably significant growth, particularly in the increased rates of female participation
  + sporting fields need upgrades to lighting
  + the cost of water to maintain sports fields is a major issue
* *Community facilities* 
  + canteen and club room improvements to

clubhouses are needed

* *Common areas*
  + parking numbers are currently inadequate for existing demand
  + on-street car parking in surrounding streets is causing issues for resident.

## Proposed concept plan

The vision for Enoggera Memorial Park is:

*‘to provide district-level sport and recreation opportunities for residents of Enoggera and the surrounding suburbs’.*

The principles used to prepare the concept plan include:

* encourage shared park usage by sports

organisations

* improve parking and vehicular and pedestrian/cycle access
* recognise the value of the informal areas not used for sport to local residents.

Key proposed embellishments for the park include:

* *Sporting opportunities*
  + upgrade fields including site works such as resurfacing/irrigation
  + improve the spectator experience
* *Community facilities*
  + extension and upgrades to the clubhouses including changerooms, toilets and storage
* *Recreation opportunities* 
  + additional exercise and playground equipment
  + improving cycle/pedestrian access with a bridge over Kedron Brook to connect into the Kedron Brook bikeway
* *Common areas*
  + retain and enhance open space areas for local use
  + additional seating and shade
  + landscape buffering to residences
  + investigate possibility of a new vehicle access off Mott Street.

*The recommendations contained within this plan do not commit Council or tenants to their implementation, however the plan does support Council and the community to seek grant funding and other investment opportunities.*