

# Recreational facilities

Actions included in the 2019/20 Operational Plan support the following objectives included in the Community Strategic Plan 2030:

- BE1 Our built environment blends with the natural and cultural environment

## Changing how we do things

In recent years, Council has worked toward the development of quality open space and recreational facilities for the community. In 2019/20, we will start to see on the ground works for a number of these projects:

Council continued the implementation of the Farmers Creek Master Plan (FCMP) throughout the 2018/19 financial year. This included the construction of a pedestrian walking bridge over Farmers Creek from Glanmire oval to Coalbrook Street, providing a link to Sandford Avenue. Council has also invested \$125,000 of grant funding into the rehabilitation of native vegetation along Sandford Avenue in 2018/19 which will continue in 2019/20 FY.

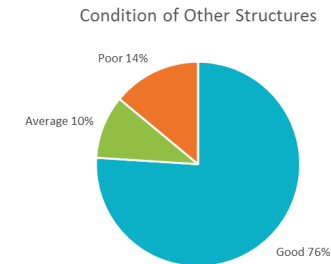
## Key Council Plans & Strategies

- Strategic Asset Management Plan
- Farmers Creek Masterplan
- Pedestrian Access & Mobility Plan
- Section 94A Development Contributions Plan 2015
- Open Space and Recreational Needs Study
- Village Improvements Plans
- Disability Inclusion Access Plan

## Lithgow City Council is responsible for:

- 11 Sport fields
- 44 Parks and reserves
- 3 picnic areas and BBQ's
- Garden maintenance and weekly moving of 213 hectares of open space
- One 32 hectare Golf Course. The Golf Course and Club House are the subject of a Lease and Service Delivery Agreement between Council and the Lithgow Golf Club. As part of the Service Delivery Agreement, the Council conducts the majority of maintenance to the golf course.

## Condition Rating



Council currently owns and maintains 11 Sports fields, 44 parks and reserves, 3 picnic areas and BBQ's, one 32 hectare Golf Course and undertakes garden maintenance and weekly mowing of 213 hectares of open space (that's 213 soccer fields). We spend approximately \$729,000 on maintenance of our parks and open spaces.

Parks and open spaces are included in our other structures asset category. The majority of our other structures are in good condition with 14% rated as poor. Other structures rated in average to poor condition require additional works to facilities such as playgrounds, fencing, park furniture and sporting assets.

## BE1 – OUR BUILT ENVIRONMENT BLENDS WITH THE NATURAL AND CULTURAL ENVIRONMENT

DELIVERY PLAN (2017-2021)	OPERATIONAL PLAN (2019-2020)			
Delivery Program Action (4 years)	Action	Performance Measure	Target	Responsible Department
BE1.2 We provide cultural and recreational infrastructure that meets the needs of the community.	BE1.2.1 Develop and maintain gardens, parks, reserves, street trees and other public spaces.	Install or replace the following to enhance public amenity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plant new street trees</li> <li>Remove dangerous trees</li> </ul>	100% complete	Buildings & Recreation Facilities
		Complete the works identified below for the following parks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Endeavour Park</li> <li>Queen Elizabeth Park</li> <li>Lidsdale Park.</li> </ul>	100% complete	
		Install or replace the following in local parks as required: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Playground equipment</li> <li>Shade structures</li> <li>Park furniture</li> <li>Replace soft fall.</li> </ul>	100% complete	
	BE1.2.2 Manage and prepare playing fields ensuring availability for use except in exceptional wet weather conditions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete the works identified for recreational facilities and sporting fields.</li> <li>Complete the upgrade of Wallerawang Skatepark and commence the upgrade of Portland Skatepark.</li> </ul>	100% complete	
	BE1.2.3 Farmers Creek developed to encourage environmentally sustainable recreational and tourist use.	Implement the Farmers Creek Precinct Master Plan in accordance with available funding.	100% complete	Environment

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BE1.2 We provide cultural and recreational infrastructure that meets the needs of the community.	BE1.2.4 Organise the Sports Advisory Committee meetings in accordance with the committee terms of reference.	Meetings to be held monthly	100% of meetings held	Infrastructure Services
	BE1.2.5 Provide support to recreational activities and organisation in accordance with Council's Financial Assistance Policy.	Support provided to applicants for financial assistance to attend or participate in special events.	100% of applications processed.	
	BE1.2.6 Improve the quality of life of rural village communities.	Implement the Village Improvement Plans in accordance with available funding.	100% complete	Community & Culture

## RECREATION PROGRAM INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 2019/2020

Project	Project Costs \$	Funded from Grants \$	Funded from S94 Reserve \$	Funded from Net Revenue \$
Farmers Creek Masterplan implementation **	600,000	(300,000)		(300,000)
Recreational Facilities – Active Recreation	173,000			(173,000)
<b>Accessible fishing Platform at Lake Wallace **</b>				
Install a wheelchair accessible fishing platform at Lake Wallace	108,872	(88,872)		(20,000)
Lithgow Golf Club	60,000			(60,000)
<b>Village Improvements Program</b>	30,000		(30,000)	
Implementation of the Village Improvement Plans in recent years has seen upgrades to parks and tourist hotspots in the LGA. In 2019/20 works high priority works will be undertaken to improve public amenity in Hartley, Rydal and Cullen Bullen.				
<b>Hartley</b>	12,000		(12,000)	
Shelter over Sand Pit and/or swing set at old Hartley School Hub				
<b>Tarana/Sodwalls</b>	10,000		(10,000)	
Screening of the Waste Transfer Station and/or installation of a new Community Notice Board				
<b>Rydal</b>	4,000		(4,000)	
Heritage Signs on local heritage buildings				
<b>Cullen Bullen</b>	4,000		(4,000)	
Refresh softfall and update playground edging at Merv Crane Memorial Park				

\*\* denotes projects for which grant funding opportunities must be identified and applied for in 2019/20.