

Community Garden Workshop

#3

ADELAIDE PARK LANDS - PARK 27B



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Workshop Summary

8 December 2015



Thank you

This was our third and final workshop of the series and we are now at a point where we can start to bring the vision for the garden into reality.

Everyone who has participated across the three workshops has made a tremendous contribution to the process.

A big thank you to those who came along to this workshop to help us with the more detailed decision making, and for those who have already signalled an interest in taking a leadership role or being a part of the committee going forward.

For those who weren't able to attend the workshop, this document should hopefully fill you in on how things have progressed. Remember, this is just the beginning and there will be plenty more opportunities to get involved as we continue into the approvals, construction and operation phases.

Workshop #3 Agenda

Co-design activity
progress

How to spend?

How to operate?

Next steps



Co-design progress

Everybody who participated in the co-design activity at the end of the second workshop did a fantastic job of starting to create a shared vision for how the garden is going to function.

The two broad plans created at that workshop were studied by our planning consultant and turned into a more formal sketch-design that was presented back to those that were present at the third workshop for critique and review.

The plans were well received and the general site strategy was strongly supported.

The following pages contain the draft plans that were presented at the third workshop that will now be updated to reflect the feedback from the budgeting exercise that we undertook at this workshop.







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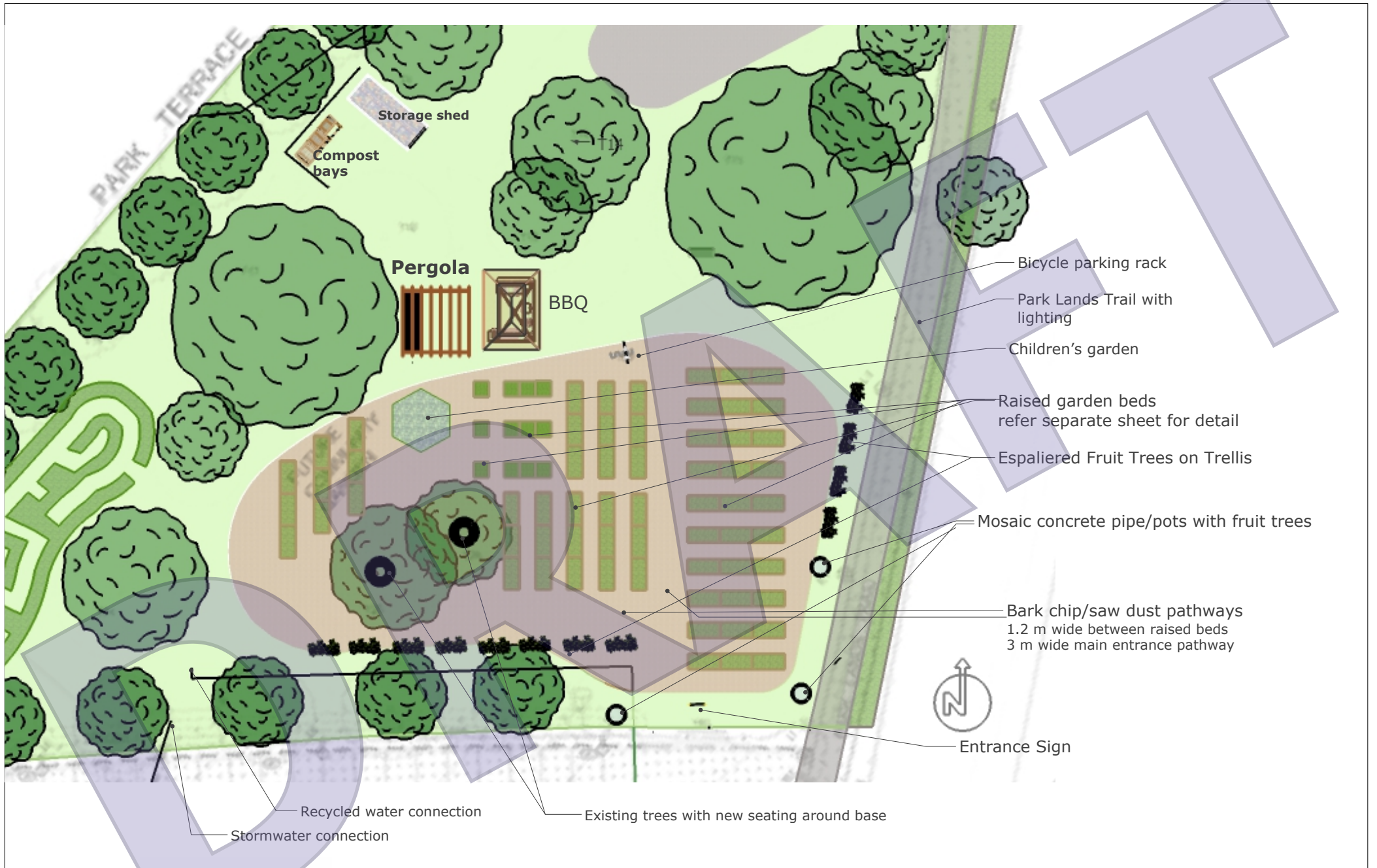


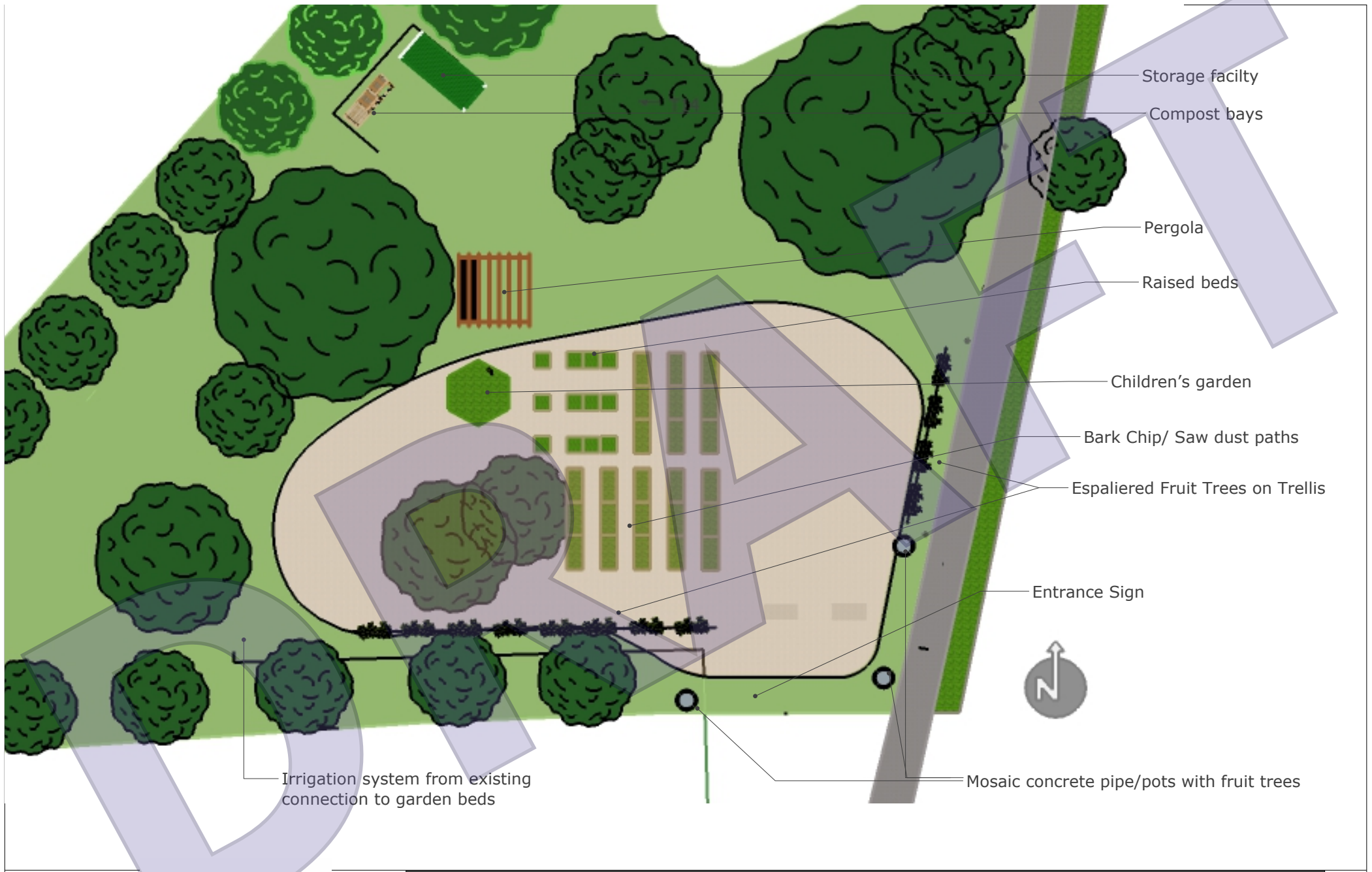
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Scale: Not to scale
Ref: key features revised
Issue Date: 1 December 2015

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Key Site Features/Areas





Storage facility

Compost bays

Pergola

Raised beds

Children's garden

Bark Chip/ Saw dust paths

Espaliered Fruit Trees on Trellis

Entrance Sign



Mosaic concrete pipe/pots with fruit trees

Irrigation system from existing connection to garden beds

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Stage 1 Works

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Seating around trees

Children's Garden

Mosaic pots with fruit trees

Pergola
(from Bowden Pop up garden)

Espaliered fruit trees



How to spend?

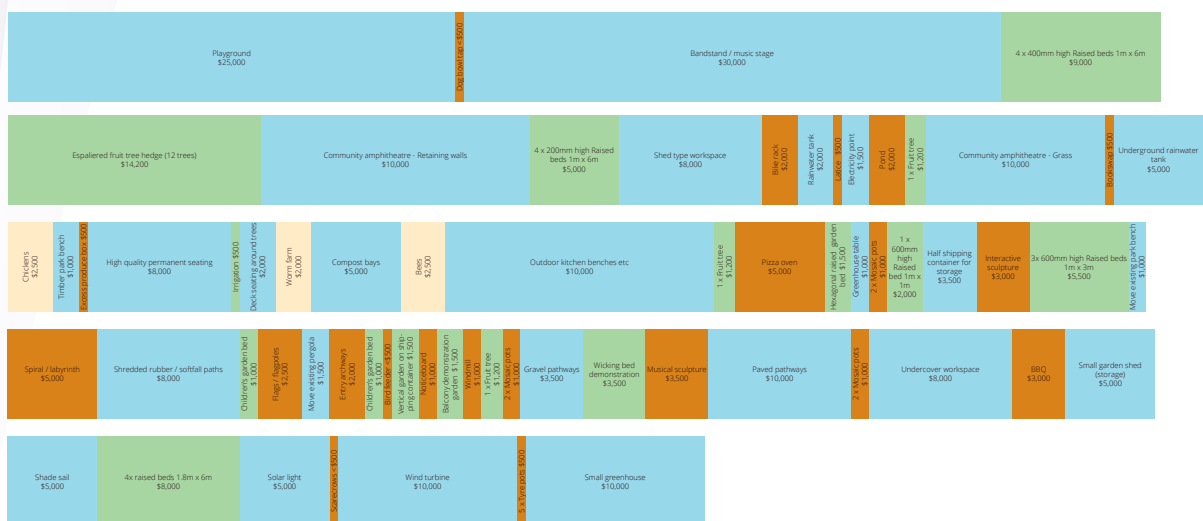
The Park Lands community garden project is being generously supported with funding by Renewal SA and will hopefully also be supported by a civil works training program.

We have generated some fantastic ideas, concept and plans right across the three workshops. One of our most difficult challenges is to distill these ideas and concepts down into the key components that will be delivered with the funding from Renewal SA.

To do this, we conducted a participatory budgeting exercise where each person at the workshop was given a card that

represented the stage 1 budget, and a series of strips with shapes that represented the estimated cost of each of the ideas that had come up during the two previous workshops.

Each person then was tasked with choosing which projects would fit within the Stage 1 budget, and which might have to wait for later. The following pages show the results of this exercise and the analysis. Items that were included in the budget were given a weighting of 1 unit while items placed in the 'wishlist' section at the end of the budget were given 0.5 units of weighting.



Estimated cost pieces



Stage 1 budget card





Budget
over runs

How to operate?

After planning how we would build the garden, it was time to start to think about how the garden will be operated and organised.

We had a brief discussion about some of the formal and informal roles that typically exist within the steering group / committee of a community garden then had an informal chat about who might be interested in taking on these roles.

There was not a formal nominations process or any roles allocated during this workshop because we need to contact everyone who has signalled an interest in the garden to see whether they would like to be involved in this steering group / committee.

The roles that we envisage will need to be filled initially are described on the next page.



Chairperson

The chairperson is tasked with organising and running steering group / committee meetings and is normally someone who will take a lead role in representing the interests of the garden to other community and government groups.

Expect a time commitment of 10 -15 hours per month for the administrative parts of this role.

Treasurer

The treasurer role is usually taken on by someone with experience in managing budgets and is focussed on ensuring the garden remains viable, and grants and other monies are distributed properly. Experience in (or a keen interest in learning about) grant application writing would be a big plus for this role.

Expect a time commitment of 6-12 hours per month for the administrative parts of this role.

Secretary

The secretary is normally responsible for the recording of decisions and processes as well as for the dissemination of information among garden members. Good word processing skills are an advantage, and you should expect a time commitment of roughly 6-12 hours per month for the administrative parts of this role.

Steering group / committee member

Steering group / committee members are people that are looking to take on a role in steering the direction of the garden without the formal responsibilities of some of the other roles.

Expect a time commitment of roughly 5 - 10 hours per month to attend meetings and coordinate projects.

Founding garden member

This is an opportunity to be an important part of the garden without necessarily committing to a formal role in the management and organisation of the garden.

Founding members will be responsible for establishing the initial plantings and helping to show that the garden as a great organisation for local residents and businesses to be involved in.

Other role

In the first workshop we asked people to signal some of the skills and resources they could bring to the garden. There were a number of exiting skills listed that would be great to incorporate into the garden so if you are still interested in taking on a role that is not described here, let the team know so that we can create one.

If you would like to signal your interest in any or all of these roles, please get in contact with the team via the contact details on the last page of this document.

Next steps

The draft design of the garden will be refined based on the feedback from this workshop, and we are looking to start arranging some steering group / committee meetings early in the new year.

There are still plenty of ways to be involved both during what's left of 2015 and early in 2016.

Key dates going forward:

December 2015 — January 2016

Draft plans approved by steering group / committee and submitted to APLA.

January 2016

APLA meeting and hopeful support for the project

Work to form an incorporated body to obtain insurances etc.

February 2016

Council assessment of plans

March 2016

Start of construction works and garden planting

To get involved in the steering group / committee or to provide any feedback on the process so far, please contact:

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