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Sent: Wednesday, 14 December 2022 4:28 PM
To: Dubbo Regional Council
Subject: DRAFT MACQUARIE RIVER MASTERPLAN

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 01 – North Sporting Complex:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil’s Hole and North-West Open Space:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	I would like to see some exercise bikes at the bottom of this location facing the river. I also believe this area needs a leaders memorial area at the top of the steps.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:	This is fantastic and I can't wait to see the intricate details. Noted there is no parking. I strongly suggest that parking needs to be supplied directly off Tamworth st before entering the area. With the amount of people getting there it will need it. Some open spaces area will need different forms of statues/monuments. Toilets/Picnic seating etc.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	

Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion’s Park West:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Biddybungie Reserve:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the North overall plan:	
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	
Comment on the South overall plan:	Sandy Beach would be best suited to maintaining the sand and removing any tree's or weeds that come out of the sand. I Monument as a large manequin in a beach inspectors chair and sign would be fantastic.

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 01 – North Sporting Complex:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	<p>I am a direct land holder to the Police Paddock. There has been absolutely no contact from DRC with any plans outlined. No communication and a soft launch of the draft is an irreverent and irresponsible on the behalf of DRC.</p> <p>My understanding is the Police Paddock is Crown Land. Does Council intend on purchasing this land from Crown Lands? Is the public knowledge?</p> <p>We strongly object to a clubhouse being built beside our residence. What security and safety is going to be guaranteed by DRC to our residence and property should the clubhouse be built?</p>
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil’s Hole and North-West Open Space:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	

Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	<p>As a land owner, we object to this consideration as no one has contacted us or communicated any of this plan.</p> <p>In the last six years we have been impacted by the decision of Dubbo Council when it was amalgamating with Wellington Shire. During this time, the decision by the administrator to accept the Newell Highway bridge across River St was adopted. Since then we have been directly impacted by the process of construction for the new bridge.</p>
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion’s Park West:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Biddybungie Reserve:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the North overall plan:	Someone from Council had best contact me ASAP.
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	
Comment on the South overall plan:	

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Sent: Thursday, 5 January 2023 1:32 PM
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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the North overall plan:	
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	
Comment on the South overall plan:	Where is the the South Bridge?

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Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:	The area needs an allocated car park on the road off Tamworth st. The area needs an allocation of statues and nostalgic monuments and designs and signs.

<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:</p>	<p>The area needs signs and the banks of the river in use needs to be cleaned up and treated for public use. The design of pathways needs to allow for the use of machinery to the Mud Run precinct with permanent obstacles and timber and fit in with the environment.</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:</p>	
<p>Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion’s Park West:</p>	
<p>Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Biddybungie Reserve:</p>	
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<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:</p>	
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<p>Comment on the South overall plan:</p>	

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Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	
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Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area	As you can see from my personal information I am a resident of Regand Park.

<p>02 – Regand Park Overall:</p>	<p>I am in my 80th year so I assume by the time the Masterplan commences taking shape I will no longer be around.</p> <p>I certainly agree that this land lends itself to environmental changes for the community as a whole to enjoy.</p> <p>My concern,like most rate payers is the one way access road surrounding the wetland ponds. I am a regular walker on the Regand park river walk,on seeing the stunning birdlife they fly away when there is activity...without a doubt cars driving close to the proposed ponds will surely discourage bird life. Our river is a beautiful & peaceful place where nature lovers & walkers can enjoy that without disruption ..vehicle access will diminish that .I sincerely hope if these proposed wetlands are</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:</p>	<p>constructed that the native trees & vegetation are fully established before construction commences..surely common sense will prevail as without that there will be no birdlife.</p> <p>Regarding access for people with a disability ..why not have designated days & times for a guided tour for them. Thank you.</p> <p>██████████</p>
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Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	Could we incorporate a pop up cafe area, this would consist of some Council supplied seating and a toilet block in an area with a river view and a parking area for food trucks and food vans. I've noticed that many of our new immigrants are running various food vans around the city. This is all part of our new multiculturalism and is to be encouraged. Having a dedicated area for these itinerant traders would be a unique feature of our city. Lighting would also be required so this facility can be used both by day and night.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion's Park West:	
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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 01 – North Sporting Complex:	This area is nearly saturated with sporting fields.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	I think this is a wasted asset at the moment. It is badly denigrated by vandals and vehicle users causing damage. The area needs to be fenced to stop vehicular access. The current cycle/pedestrian shared path should be extended through these paddocks out to Devils Hole similar as from Tamworth Street around to Macquarie Street on the river, I see no problem with one or two sporting fields being installed here along Brisbane Street, leaving a wide band to the river for riparian planting and care.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil’s Hole and North-West Open Space:	With future development in West Dubbo, sporting fields either on Bunglegumbie Road, or on western side of river at Devils Hole is a great idea. There are very few sporting fields currently in the West Dubbo area. Connective river crossing for pedestrians and cyclists would be wonderful. A suspension bridge could be installed, a much cheaper option than Tamworth Street and Shibble Bridges. Having an extension of the current shared cycle/pedestrian path out here with connection to the western side of the river sounds great.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	Bollard lighting would be subject to vandalism and is unnecessary due to area already having overhead lighting, safe from vandals. A display of history of the area would be a good idea. There is already plenty of playground area, plus plenty of grassed area. Why take away from the grassed area with stairs, slides and rocks. Council would end being sued when some child was injured.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:	See Regand Park overall plan

Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:	See Regand Park overall plan
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	See Regand Park overall plan
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:	See Regand park overall plan
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:	See Regand Park overall plan.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	No need for upgrading of path, gravel surface is more appropriate to this river corridor. No need to take out native vegetation to put in 20 car parks. Having 15 spaces on Stonehaven Ave, in front of the park is more than sufficient for now and the future. Definitely needs more planting. Several plantings in the past have been vandalised, overgrown or mowed down, with very low survival rate.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion’s Park West:	As per 7
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Biddybungie Reserve:	Definitely needs more tree planting, several attempts have been made to do this, but they get vandalised and often mowed down. The path is currently a shared cycle/walking track, there is no need for upgrading, just some maintenance now and then. Seats in various places would be good.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	A good plan, particularly with connectivity across the river. Put playing fields in West Dubbo, particularly with future urban development planned. Any bridges must be cycle/pedestrian, not just pedestrian. Not being in an area which would be highly used, a simple suspension type bridge could be installed, much cheaper.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	There is no need to remove exotic trees, any tree is better than no trees. Weeds and exotic trees and plants are continually reseeding on the riverbank, despite everyone's best efforts. Any new planting will take many years to reach maturity, so leave what we have there.
Comment on the North overall plan:	This concept looks good with new sporting fields on western side, and as previously suggested, along Brisbane Street in the Police Paddocks. Cycle/pedestrian access at Devils Hole across the river is excellent idea. Suspension bridge would be a way to provide this link. Proper management of riparian area with lots of tree planting.
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	Council seems to have addressed many concerns submitted. The idea of linking current cycle/pedestrian paths across the river at more points is very good. No need for expensive bridges like we have at Shibble and Tamworht Street Bridges. Why not put in suspension bridges, as many other towns and cities have done.
Comment on the South overall plan:	This plan seems to be trying to please everyone, with fishing access, eco garden, wetlands, road access, taking out exotic trees, mud run storage, walking tracks. It is a big relief to see that no new sporting fields are to be put in here If any sealed road access is put in, the entry

	<p>would need to be locked at night, otherwise it will just be a haven for vandalism and misuse by vehicle users. The current shared cycle/walking track through the area is very good, with a good gravel surface, which has survived several inundations. There is no need for sealed tracks in a bushland setting.</p>
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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the North overall plan:	I would love to see the trails extended and more trees.
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	
Comment on the South overall plan:	I use this space daily. I would love the additional native trees and focus on the environmental rehabilitation. I would be very unhappy to see parking installed as proposed. at the Tamworth street bridge both for safety and aesthetics. Please do not seal the road into the regand park area.

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Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the North overall plan:	
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	
Comment on the South overall plan:	<p>The development of shared walking and bike paths is a great idea as is the artworks and Amphitheatre. The natural vegetation development in the South Precinct is a positive move.</p> <p>The only negative is the one way road access through the park. I think it is a huge mistake to allow cars and motorbikes access into the area. It will detract from the serenity and enjoyment of the natural environment. Yes access is needed for all, people with disabilities can use Mobility Scooters or Disability Buggies. Also motorized wheelchairs can be utilized. Perhaps e scooters or e bikes could be available for use in the park. Both from a security perspective for Regand Park residents and noise pollution cars and motorbikes would be detrimental to the development.</p>

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Comment on the North overall plan:	
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	<p>It has taken me more than two hours to study all this information.</p> <p>The whole thing is too complicated, and full of too much detail.</p> <p>I think it looks good on paper, but I am concerned about the erosion of the riverbank at Devil's Elbow and upstream of Sandy Beach. Surely these areas need to be stabilised to ensure that any developments are not washed away in the next big floods.</p> <p>Council really needs to look to the future and secure corridors for future developments and roads. The new bridge over River Street needs to be extended on the western side to go out behind the houses on Spears Drive and join the Mitchell Highway near the airport. It looks like you have a bit of a plan there, but has the council acquired the land yet??</p> <p>All the artworks etc, should be a secondary concern.</p>
Comment on the South overall plan:	<p>I am glad to see no playing fields in the Regand Park precinct.</p> <p>It is very obvious that access was the main issue in that area.</p> <p>Again, there are serious concerns about the riverbank erosion after the last floods in late 2022. These areas need to be stabilised before we go ahead and spend money on facilities on top of the banks.</p> <p>I would like to suggest that any future cycle /walking bridges across the river be of a suspension bridge type of construction. The advantages are cheaper to build, and no interference to river flow.</p>

	<p>I really believe that the large buildup of timber and debris on the two cycle bridges, and the Emille Serisier Bridge were a major contributor to the riverbank erosion last year.</p>
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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 01 – North Sporting Complex:	A pedestrian bridge would be better from the end of Church St not here. Must be suspension from top of bank to top of bank. Like all other areas motorbikes will take over on it. Enhancement and weed control on the riparian zone (about time) agree more shade trees and preferably some shrubs so it is not all bitumen and grass. No 1 the river loop needs to be made much safer under the Serisier bridge - full of rubbish and needles and poorly managed
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	No 4 will become another free camping area as the rest of Dubbo river reserves are. How will you control horses and dog, push bikes and motorbikes. It will be become another trail bike riding haven as many other walking tracks are in Dubbo due to lack of CCTV providing opportunities for prosecutions. 6, - will people want exposure to flying foxes? 7 - 11 good. Better information signage about the river, taking their rubbish and picking up dog poo
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil’s Hole and North-West Open Space:	1. it will continue to be a rubbish ground as it currently is, pontoon - another structure for council to maintain and remove in flooding, 3 another high level pedestrian bridge (how will council fund and maintain these?) 5 River loop through private property - have they agreed to this - currently their riparian zones are a disgrace 9. how will you stop this area continually being trashed by vehicles as it currently is? Council don't maintain and enhance riparian areas so who will? - what about Cultural Heritage and information boards such as all the great signage around the Tracker Riley now which was put in by one volunteer group. How many 1000's car parking spaces on the NW area?
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	Roden Cutler Park - restore the rock revetment below the viewing platform that the Mud Run and regular high flows have destroyed in front of more infrastructure to maintain. Much more riparian planting needs to be installed here
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area	Mud Run gets their own space - wow but not other groups who actually work on the river to restore it as volunteers - the mud run group does no weed control and does not repair the damage they do

<p>05 – Regand Park South:</p>	<p>annually. More amenities building in here for council to maintain and clean - why? - they only need to be at Tamworth St not here. Regand park residents do not want more toilets, roads, rubbish and motor bike trails</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:</p>	<p>No sealed 24hour a day road into Regand Park and no Wetland see Regand Park Overall. Why cannot people walk or bike ride. Passive picnic area that people walk into. Bushland areas are restrictive - should all be natural and no built assets. No more Mud Run gym equipment that is not used</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:</p>	<p>Eco Hub was a Rivercare and Ozfish concept not LeaderLife - yet Rivercare gets no mention. Leaderlife however get all the assistance not those that do the volunteering. Who do we need Ag and garden plots when there is a Community Garden 150maway?? and why so many buildings here? The 75 car parking spaces at Tamworth St will destroy a great habitat Rivercare have created for species such as Grey Crowned Babblers (Vulnerable) - great idea knock down an established area then replant somewhere else!! Ludicrous. No sealed one way road into Regand Park - waste of money</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:</p>	<p>Definatley no wetland, what a complete waste of money, there was no wetland here in the past why one now - what about in droughts where will you drag the water from - this is a ridiculous idea, it will end up full of rubbish and it will not be maintained. Definatley No road throughout Regand Park there will be 24hour hoods and bikes, rubbish, why cannot it not just be a natural area that is peaceful and why you want cars and picnic grounds and more rubbish. It is completely unfeasable and again a huge waste of money. It is a floodplain for nature, birds, animals and should be completely passive with no road, walking paths provide access for those will disabilities. Revegetate the area and have more walking paths not roads.</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:</p>	<p>Why is a new sports amenity building needed? Toilets maybe but no canteen. 2,3, 4 agree. 5 do something about the massive erosion problem due to the abutments of the Yabang Gee bridge - this is a priority as is the erosion downstream rightbank toward Sandy Beach. put in a decent fence not plastic fencing that ends up in the river. 13. how will you jam 75 carparking spaces into that current car parking area without trashing the work the Rivercare group have done to enhance the verge areas to the walk bridge?</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:</p>	<p>This is currently not maintained as it should be so how will council do this in the long term? Massive erosion, a planned vehicle bridge over Tamworth St, poorly arranged parking, free campers, rubbish, lack of biodiversity, all trees no layering of plantings, no control over vehicles parking on playing fields as they are too lazy to walk, appalling design of toilets. sandstone blocks are adequate for seating and don't get destroyed or fall apart such as the picnic tables opposite Riverdale. Don't over industrialise these lovely natural areas with more Gym equipment, art works, sculptures - get back to basics!</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion’s Park West:</p>	<p>Why would you have boat washing facilities, it is fresh water! Another pontoon to maintain and lift in flooding - council will be exceedingly busy doing all this riparian management which currently is not done - look at the area from Sandy Beach to the Serisier bridge - a rubbish and weed paradise!</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Biddybungie Reserve:</p>	<p>This area has been very poorly maintained and vehicles are always here trashing this space. Restrict areas where vehicle access with bollards particularly at the boat ramp.1 why more seating? 2 more planting and who will maintain this as currently this is not done by</p>

	council. Consult with Stonehaven Avenue residents first and use appropriate trees
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	1000's of houses jammed together - you will be lucky to retain any vegetation. It is such a narrow strip of land along the top of the river bank to the east of these houses, this should be wider to protect the riverbank and provide habitat and biodiversity
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	Comprehensive weed control and native planting- must be maintained regularly not once a year. Zoo should be made accountable for their side of the river - particularly downstream of Tamworth St which we understand is under a Zoo/Council maintenance arrangement. Encourage and support community volunteers to be part of this process. Once the proposed Tamworth St Bridge goes in much of this will be trashed
Comment on the North overall plan:	
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	AS above
Comment on the South overall plan:	No wetland or its infrastructure, no 24hour a day one way road - passive low key

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THIS PLAN IGNORES THE ABORIGINAL GRAVES ALONG THE RIVER IN NORTH DUBBO.

THESE GRAVES SHOULD BE LEFT ALONE

BUILDING APPROACHES & A BRIDGE ACROSS A FLOOD PLANE IS IRRESPONSIBLE.

IT WOULD BE CHEAPER AND MORE EFFICIENT TO BUILD A HIGH LEVEL BRIDGE AT TROY CROSSING. IT IS NO FURTHER OUT OF DUBBO THAN THE AIRPORT. WHY HASN'T A STUDY BEEN DONE?

ANYONE CAN SEE THAT THE RIVER STREET BRIDGE WILL HOOK ONTO BUNGLEGUMBIE RD. AND IT WILL HOOK ONTO NORTH STREET ONE DAY.

WHEN TRAFFIC HITS BUNGLEGUMBIE ROAD & TURNS NORTH, IT WILL JOIN TROY BRIDGE ROAD ANYWAY.

A BRIDGE AT RIVER ST. IS NO ADVANTAGE TO ANYONE.

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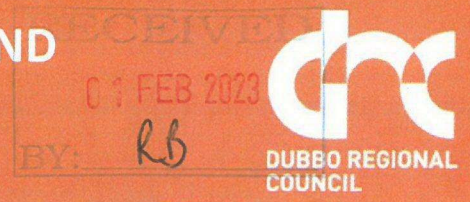
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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 01 – North Sporting Complex:	Scheme fine as shown. Opportunity for more tree planting.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	<p>Would want to see vehicle access restricted to the proposed car park only. Walking trails to be bush trails (i.e. woodchip, dirt or crushed granite only and not sealed paths).</p> <p>Not have a pedestrian bridge here as there is pedestrian access over the river at Serisier bridge and the one shown at Devil's Hole in this draft plan.</p>
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil's Hole and North-West Open Space:	<p>Access road and car parking around Devil's Hole need not be sealed.</p> <p>Football fields can be located in the north west precinct and not the river corridor. The river corridor should be for environmental restoration and passive recreation only. A demonstrable need for 6 football fields needs to be demonstrated considering other fields are proposed at the Dubbo Sports Hub and there is other existing open space available (Alexander Bell Memorial Park) or in proposed residential subdivisions. Having sports fields in or near the residential subdivisions allows easier access for families to get to the parks and reduces congestion if you aren't concentrating all the fields in the one area.</p> <p>Not have the BBQ area so close to the river.</p>
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area	Happy with sandstone themed terracing and play area, must ensure not impact on historic quarry in this area.

06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:	Not have sealed roads and pathways throughout Regand Park. Reduce sealed pathways to a minimum as wheelchair access etc doesn't need to be to the whole of the park (can be around picnic/play areas. Ampitheatre could be in a more 'dramatic' area (i.e. towards the river bend in the SW corner of Regand Park.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:	Perhaps reduce amount of walking paths by a little.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	Roads in Regand Park need not be sealed. Sealed paths in this area around play and picnic area are ok. Would be good if Leaderlife buildings were also shared facilities.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:	As per other comments above. Perhaps wetlands not as extensive as shown.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:	Tree plantings to areas around this area to unused open areas
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	Fine. Reduce amount of sealed paths.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion's Park West:	Off road carpark could be crushed granite and not sealed
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Biddybungie Reserve:	Maximise tree planting in unused open areas.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	Make river corridor wider on the western side. Make it public open space between proposed road to vehicular bridge and the river. Move football fields in to the precinct and not the river corridor as per comments above, have one less pedestrian bridge as per comments above.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	As per other river foreshore comments above
Comment on the North overall plan:	As per comments above. Fields can be located elsewhere in the city or the proposed NW precinct. The clubs need to make a demonstrated need for 6 more fields in the one area.
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	Overall pretty good. Appreciate extensive areas shown for environmental restoration
Comment on the South overall plan:	As per comments above. Could do with a slightly reduced amount of paths.

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Many positive outcomes for Regand Park South Precinct

- increased tree planting area
- mud run area
- extended BBQ area, ~~no~~ play spaces + parking
- improved river access BUT contained near the renovated & extended BBQ area play area + parking NOT at the Weir – too many safety issues PLUS cost effective for maintenance all in a contained area
- gravel paths only – NO sealed roads that encourage speed paths, barn outs, dumping stolen vehicles
- save the southern half of this precinct to remain natural in keeping with nature
- wetlands also located close to extended picnic area – convenience parking, bus access etc + cost effective
- NO PONDS – ONLY MAN MADE WETLANDS to encourage tourism and educational areas
- Koalas not present in Macquarie Valley – WHY maybe threat of dogs, cats & foxes – NOT NECESSARY

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6 February 2023

Mr Murray Wood
CEO
Dubbo Regional Council
PO Box 81
Dubbo NSW 2830

RE: MACQUARIE RIVER MASTERPLAN NORTH AND SOUTH PRECINCTS

Dear Murray

I would like to raise a few questions and concerns I have relating to the above-mentioned plans.

- How much public open green space does the Dubbo urban precinct currently contain, which has not already been allocated to sporting fields?
- What is the required amount of public open green space per urban area of development?
- What is best practice according to global, river-scientists for the management of floodplains?
- Are you able to explain how sporting fields on floodplains will not have a detrimental effect on the health of our river when we experience normal weather patterns and also during flood events?
- Are you able to explain how the construction of built roads, motor vehicle traffic, carparks, a bare dirt mud-run area, and the addition of lighting on footpaths will not have a negative impact upon biodiversity along a vegetated river-floodplain corridor?
- What have ratepayers paid the consultants SALA4D and Muir Landscaping for the workshops and the masterplans? (It is concerning that these plans placed sporting fields on DRC's draft consultation process well before any community feedback had been sought and received?)

I look forward to your response.

Regards
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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 01 – North Sporting Complex:	Despite the reassurances in the FAQs, I don't think it's a good idea to build sporting complexes so close to the river. Why can't they be built elsewhere? Grass is shallow rooted and doesn't provide a buffer in the event of flooding whereas trees and understory shrubs do. The proposed tree planting is too sparse. The Pedestrian bridge and shared loop is a good idea.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	This is a reasonably good proposal, especially the bat restoration area.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil's Hole and North-West Open Space:	Once again, the sports fields and associated infrastructure are too close to the river but this proposal has more vegetation in the plan and is good overall.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	Good proposal.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:	I have reservations about the Mud Run space and the loop road.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:	Good proposal.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	Looks good but hard infrastructure needs to be kept to a minimum.

Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:	Once again, I have reservations about the loop road and Mud Run area. Wetlands is a great idea.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:	Good proposal, especially the repair of the eroded riverbank.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	Good proposal as long as there is not too much hard, concrete structure.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion’s Park West:	Good proposal.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Biddybungie Reserve:	Good proposal.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	A good proposal as we will need more affordable housing in the near future. Care needs to be taken with the Riparian areas.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	Good proposal.
Comment on the North overall plan:	
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	The plan is good overall. I would like to see care taken over the Riparian areas; more native tree restoration and as little hard infrastructure as possible. I question the need for more sports fields so close to the river The access paths and bridges are a good idea. As for lighting paths, this is good as long as the light goes where it is needed and not shining out into the surrounding bushland. This will save on power and cut light pollution down.
Comment on the South overall plan:	

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Biddybungie Reserve:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the North overall plan:	
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	<p>Retain current on street parking along Sandy beach - used during Parkrun which attracts locals and tourists</p> <p>Ensure any proposed wetlands do not increase mosquito populations and subsequent mosquito Bourne disease</p> <p>Ensure current ability to drive from south dubbo to CBD under bridge is not slowed / impaired</p>
Comment on the South overall plan:	

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the North overall plan:	Why is there no outdoor exercise equipment in any of these proposals? None. We already have a lot of residents in the north west corridor, and no outdoor exercise equipment for them.
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	
Comment on the South overall plan:	

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Biddybungie Reserve:	

Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the North overall plan:	
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	not enough access to the river for fishing
Comment on the South overall plan:	

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the North overall plan:	
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	<p>I appreciate the thought that has gone into these plans, and they appear to have achieved a balance between the natural environment for recreation along the river corridor and sporting fields.</p> <p>They have also catered for the recreational use of many varied types along the river corridor in an improved revegetated natural environment.</p>
Comment on the South overall plan:	

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil’s Hole and North-West Open Space:	Having a dedicated dog off leash area is essential to
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	Having this as a dog off leash area is fantastic.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:	This continues to respect the importance of green space
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:	This continues to respect the importance of green space
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	The dog off leash areas are a great idea, but the one in reg and park appears to be quite small.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:	Great development of the space-particularly inclusion of dog off leash areas.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion’s Park West:	

Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Biddybungie Reserve:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the North overall plan:	
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	Great development of the space-particularly inclusion of dog off leash areas.
Comment on the South overall plan:	Great development of the space-particularly inclusion of dog off leash areas.

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	Keep car parks well maintained gravel with good drainage, not concrete/bitumen (aiming for cooler climate not heating up the place with more concrete/bitumen)
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil’s Hole and North-West Open Space:	Footbridge and continuous river path loop a great idea, also enabling portage at the weirs very much appreciated Thankyou! Prioritise native bush regeneration and river care over sports fields and car parks thankyou
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	

Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:	Less sports fields and car parks and more native bush regeneration thankyou
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	Prioritising native bush regeneration and river health thankyou
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion’s Park West:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Biddybungie Reserve:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	Having space and approval for mobile cafes would be great please
Comment on the North overall plan:	
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	<p>Here are the only positive environmental outcomes for the river precincts:</p> <p>Complete riparian revegetation to resemble pre-settlement vegetation throughout</p> <p>Wetland with expert biodiversity and water -expert design as planned for Regand Park</p> <p>Here are the facilities which will have a negative environmental impact upon the floodplain:</p> <p>Any road construction for motor -vehicles</p> <p>Any motor -vehicles allowed access</p> <p>A 10ha mud-run bare- dirt facility</p> <p>Any car -park except those along perimeter of reserve and furtherest from the river</p> <p>Any sportsfields</p> <p>A horse -riding track, especially adjacent to a bat-</p>

	<p>regeneration area</p> <p>A narrow river buffer along the western bank where future plans place high density housing with high-rise buildings</p> <p>Lack of wide riverbank corridors for wildlife</p>
Comment on the South overall plan:	

Submission: Macquarie/Wambuul River Masterplan North and South Precincts

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To Whom it may Concern,

██████████ is a grass roots community group dedicated to providing a strong voice for our local rivers, aquifers and wetlands in the Murray-Darling Basin for the benefit of wildlife, plants and people. We pay our respects to Elders past and present and acknowledge that this land was never ceded.

██████████ would like to take the opportunity to submit our feedback on the Macquarie River Masterplan (North and South Precincts). We will divide our comments into headings that correspond with Council's online feedback form.

Draft North Precinct

Area 01 North sporting Complex



The proposed scheme for this area is largely appropriate. However, providing another pedestrian bridge at this location over the Macquarie Wambuul River would be unnecessary as there already is the nearby pedestrian access across the river at the Serisier Bridge. Detailed consideration needs to be made as to adding more pedestrian bridges as they can impede water flow and cause erosion if not designed properly.

Area 02 Police Paddock

Expanding and protecting areas of native vegetation in this area should be considered a high priority by the Council. The river corridor has suffered from inappropriate historical and current impacts which need to be rehabilitated. With this in mind the level of pedestrian access at this location should be restricted to the single 'river loop' walking/bike path that is proposed to run through this area. Litter prevention needs to be considered at the proposed tourist rest area.

Area 03 Devil's Hole & NW Open Space

Locating a pedestrian bridge on the bend of the river in this location may be inappropriate and potentially be impacted by flooding in future. Vehicular access to the area should be restricted to the proposed BBQ/seating area only. This area has been severely damaged by motor vehicle traffic and further damage needs to be prevented. Built infrastructure such as pontoons and shelters, etc. should be minimised within the river corridor. The river loop shared bike/walking path should consist of crushed aggregate similar to the existing Regand Park walking path. The proposed 6 football/cricket fields on the western side of the river are inappropriate in the river corridor and should be located elsewhere. A demonstrable need should be provided by sporting clubs in Dubbo that such a facility is required considering there will be an extra 4 fields at the proposed Dubbo



Sports Hub. Sports fields in river corridors result in an increase of litter in the river, excess fertiliser and pesticide runoff and they disturb flora and fauna populations.

Area 04 North West Precinct

A redesign of the north west precinct should be facilitated with more, smaller parks spread throughout the precinct for ease of pedestrian access. A wider riparian zone needs to be provided on the western side of the river than shown and the sports fields should be located within the residential precinct and not the river corridor.

Area 05 Biddybungie Reserve

The proposal for this area is largely appropriate. Enhancement of vegetation communities for the whole of the river corridor should include understorey plants, not just tree species.

Area 06 Lions Park West

The proposal for this area is largely appropriate. The amount of built infrastructure within the river corridor should be minimised. Consideration should be made to delete the proposed pontoon at this location.

Area 07 River Foreshore

As per comments above, the amount of built infrastructure needs to be reduced to a minimum along the river corridor to reduce an impact on the river and plant and animal communities.

North Precinct Overall

Areas of riparian vegetation needs to be maximised and the amount of paths, built infrastructure should be reduced. The proposed sports fields in the north western precinct will have an inappropriate level of impact and this area should be solely for environmental restoration and passive recreation purposes.

Draft South Precinct

Area 01 Active Recreation

The proposal for this area is largely appropriate. The river banks in this area should be stabilised with native trees and understorey vegetation only. The existing 'open drain' at the north end of Lady Cutler ovals is most likely a remnant of an ephemeral watercourse running down from Newtown hill and should be maintained and revegetated. Having some education boards in this area would help families attending sporting activities be aware that they are located within a river corridor and would hopefully increase their appreciation of the natural environment.

Area 02 Regand Park Overall

See comments below.



Area 03 Regand Park North

Including an 'Eco Hub' for community use is to be much commended. Arrangements would need to be made if it was to be located on the land leased by Leader Life. There are numerous environmentally focussed community groups in Dubbo who would much benefit from and appreciate such a facility. Any vehicular access onto Regand Park including the leased food forest plot should be minimised and surfaced in crushed aggregate only. The riparian planting zone should be wider and have less walking paths. We recommend the off-leash dog area be located adjoining the proposed picnicking open parkland and away from the riparian zone.

Area 04 Regand Park South

Any vehicular access to Regand Park should be minimised and consist of crushed aggregate only (not sealed). As per other areas of the proposal the riparian zone needs to be widened and include both tree species and understorey vegetation. We would suggest to not have a vehicular accessway crossing the proposed wetland and reduce in length the pedestrian boardwalk.

Area 05 Regand Park South

It is questioned why the mud run area would need to be such an extensive open area. It could be interspersed within trees/vegetation. A more inspiring location for an amphitheatre may be necessary rather than be located in a corner of Regand Park near residences.

Area 06 Sir Roden Cutler Park

The proposal for this area is appropriate. This area could incorporate an educational element and perhaps an amphitheatre. A more inspiring lookout compared to the existing structure at the river edge could help to emotionally connect people to the river and incorporate information boards.

Area 07 River Foreshore

The amount of built infrastructure (including vehicular and pedestrian access) needs to be reduced to a minimum along the river corridor to reduce an impact on the river and plant and animal communities. The width of riparian planting (including tree and understorey vegetation) needs to be widened.

South Precinct Overall

Areas of riparian vegetation needs to be maximised and the amount of paths and built infrastructure should be reduced. The proposed Eco Hub would be a fantastic facility and it would be an asset in educating the community about the environment as well as providing much needed space for the various environmental groups in Dubbo.



Comment on the North and South Overall Plan

We thank Council and the consultants for putting a lot of thought and consideration into the master plan. It must always be kept in mind that the Macquarie Wambuul river corridor is a fragile ecosystem. We believe a stronger focus towards environmental protection and restoration would improve the master plan and lead to positive outcomes for the environment, the people of Dubbo and its visitors. Reducing the amount of built infrastructure would go a long way to creating a better habitat for flora and fauna to thrive, which would in turn make it more of a drawcard for people to appreciate.

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the North overall plan:	<p>This should be the Regand Park for the North precinct. It is for up to 15,000 people and the entire undeveloped floodplain should be public parkland for environmental restoration.</p> <p>There should be no more sporting fields on the floodplain.</p> <p>The NW Urban Precinct needs both passive open space and sporting fields. The community expects better planning for this precinct. Sporting fields need to share resources including car parking in a designated sporting precinct off the floodplain.</p> <p>No sporting fields, clubhouse, car parks or floodlights on the floodplain There should be no vehicle access to NW Open Space other than a minimal number at the entrance to the parkland</p>
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	
Comment on the South overall plan:	<p>Regand Park can now be accessed by walkers, runners, cyclists, families with prams, dogs, nature lovers, birdwatchers, fishers, picnickers etc. People who already access Regand Park can do so using 1 or 2 walking sticks, mobility walkers and wheel chairs. Yes access does need to be upgraded for them but no vehicles other than emergency vehicles and maintenance vehicles in the park. Like public open space throughout Australia and the world, this special area should be accessed from sunrise to sunset. No roads or car parks within Regand Park.</p>

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 01 – North Sporting Complex:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We support this draft plan. • It provides playing courts/fields for netball and touch football sports that will be well-used. • The footbridge will allow residents to access facilities on both sides of the river by foot or bicycle. • The existing cycle/walking path that stops at the Serisier Bridge needs to seamlessly connect to the proposed walking/cycle path to create a much longer, safe, off-road track from south to north areas. I [REDACTED] ride my bike for exercise along the existing tracks that go from Serisier Bridge to Shibble Foot Bridge and will ride the extension in this area. • We think it is important that native vegetation and shade trees are planted along the riparian corridor.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	<p>We support most of the draft plan. / Extra touch football fields & change room, toilets, canteen will be well-used. / Dog off-leash area should be large enough to allow many dogs to use it at the same time without over-crowding. Maybe enlarge it or make an additional off-leash area in this precinct. / We don't think horse-riding in this area is a safe or practical activity due to a risk to walkers / cyclists. The historic connection with Police horses is insufficient to justify a horse-riding activity in this area. / Flying foxes are a big nuisance near residential / recreational / sporting areas. So, they shouldn't be encouraged in this area. We support the footbridge & extension of the walking/cycling path on both sides of the river & native vegetation plantings.</p>
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil's Hole and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We fully support the proposal with the exception of the sporting fields. • Several St John's Junior Rugby League Club representatives made

<p>North-West Open Space:</p>	<p>public statements that the club wants to have exclusive control and use of these fields and build their own clubhouse. Possibly by way of a long-term lease so it's members can have priority use of the fields. At a meeting with consultants I [REDACTED] attended at Victoria Park No. 1 Oval, a father of a St John's player stated this and the expectation that Dubbo Regional Council would fund a sealed road for access to the fields.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are opposed to Dubbo Regional Council granting a lease of these fields to any organisation. The management of these fields must remain with Council to ensure that all sporting organisations and the public have use of them.
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We support this draft plan. • Maybe a few more car parking spaces could be provided as more people will use this area when it is developed.
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall, we support this draft plan. • The Mud Run is a short, annual event. Is the Mud Run space grassed? Will it be 'dug up' annually to build mud run obstacles and then returned to grass for the rest of the year? A grassed area would provide a space for impromptu games by residents during the rest of the year. • Walking tracks should be suitable for children / young people to ride their bikes. Parents could take their younger children there to ride around the off-road tracks.
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We support this draft plan. • There must be toilets at the No.5 picnic spot.
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have reservations about the Eco-Hub. It is a large parcel of land set aside for vaguely defined purposes. It should be smaller. Who or what is the Eco Hub? The area should not be leased to organisations for their exclusive use. Council should be the ultimate manager of this area. No mention is made of using it for a community garden. The existing community garden on the corner of Tamworth and Macquarie Streets is quite small. As community gardens have been shown to play a vital role in bringing community members together and enhancing their well-being, we would like to see some land set aside for community garden use in the Eco-Hub space. • Otherwise, we support the draft plan.
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our belief is that the Regand Park Area 02 should not be for formally organised sports fields, but it should be available to the general public for recreational activities. Therefore, we were totally opposed to St John's Junior Rugby League Club making a strong bid for football ovals on this site. • Overall, we support the plan. It is a reasonable compromise between areas of restored natural vegetation, passive recreation and occasional events such as the Mud Run. We believe it will be an area that is attractive to tourists visiting Dubbo as well as local residents. We will use the area more when the plan is implemented.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We would like to see larger areas of restored vegetation to encourage birds and other wildlife. • We like the extended walkway/cycle paths.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We support this draft plan. The increased tree planting will enhance the area. • The 130 car spaces are needed and in a sensible area. • Overall, this will improve the area for those who use it for active sport and the people who enjoy walking / cycling along the riverside path.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We support the extension of the walk/cycle track along both sides of the river and the proposed new foot/cycle bridges to create a very long walking/cycling track. • For many years, I [REDACTED] have regularly cycled the loop from bottom of Tamworth Street to Serisier Bridge, to the Zoo, over Shibble Foot Bridge and back to the start, for exercise. The great attraction is that it is mostly off-road and safe. I would definitely ride along the proposed extended track along both sides of the Macquarie River. I predict it will be much used by both locals and visitors to Dubbo.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion’s Park West:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All of these proposals will improve the use of the area. • The planting of native vegetation is welcomed. • The extra car parking is needed and the kids will enjoy using the playground equipment. • When I [REDACTED] cycle west over Serisier Bridge, I don’t ride along the riverbank path as it is too rough and dangerous for bikes. So, I keep going along the Whylandra Street concrete footpath to Alfred Street, turn left and ride along Stonehaven Avenue, under the LH Ford Bridge and back onto the concrete track. This is not ideal as I need to ride on the grass when a pedestrian is on the footpath. If the walking/cycling track along the river is upgraded to cycle-safe standard, I would use it.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Biddybungie Reserve:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same comments as Area 06 Lions Park West.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We like the proposal to provide Green Corridor connections to the open space and river corridor as well as to the Sporting Hub. These corridors should be wide enough to include separate walking and cycling tracks. There should not be narrow walking/cycle paths. Pedestrians and cyclists should be separated for safety. Also, there will eventually be the option for student living in the North Precinct to ride a bike along all the way to Dubbo College Senior Campus and Charles Sturt University Campus.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is an important area for the residents to use. • There should be separated walking and cycle paths clearly marked so pedestrians are safe and cyclists can ride without dodging walkers.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The planting of much native vegetation will make this an attractive area for wildlife and for the people who use it. • I [REDACTED] am keen to ride a cycle path from the southern end to the northern end of the river precinct, cross the river on a footbridge and then ride down the western side in a long loop. This would be a very safe path for riders of all ages and I expect it will be much used.
<p>Comment on the North overall plan:</p>	<p>Overall, it is a good balance between regeneration of native vegetation and providing facilities that people will use for active and general recreation. There is something in the plan for everyone.</p> <p>We like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A continuous shared path loop along the riverbank connected by bridge crossings to eventually create a very long track from the south to the north. Connecting this by an off-road cycle track to Charles Sturt Uni campus, Dubbo College Senior Campus and the proposed Sporting Hub is a good idea. <p>We don't like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Horse riding in the Police Paddock area. The mix of horses with walkers/bike riders/children playing could be dangerous. • Any one organisation/club having control of the proposed playing fields in the North West Development Precinct. They must be owned/managed by DRC.
<p>Comment on the North and South overall plan:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In 2015, I [REDACTED] attended a briefing by current Dubbo Regional Council CEO on the original Regand Park Plan. This plan is an improvement as it is more comprehensive and includes the north and south areas. • It will take many years to complete this plan, but it will be an asset to the people living in Dubbo and visitors. We believe the consultants have developed a very balanced plan.
<p>Comment on the South overall plan:</p>	<p>Overall, it is a good balance between regeneration of native vegetation and providing facilities that people will use for active and general recreation. There is something in the plan for everyone. The aims are achieved.</p> <p>We like:</p> <p>Enhanced recreation, connectivity and biodiversity. / More car parking. / Planting native vegetation and increased tree canopy. Public toilets and amenity upgrades. Improved access to the river for swimming and fishing. Walking/cycling paths within the area away from the river.</p> <p>We would like to see:</p> <p>A smaller area for the Hub and activities within this area clearly defined. At present it is very vague for such a large allocation of land. / Additional area set aside for an expansion of the Community Garden to accommodate the increasing population of Dubbo.</p>

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	Excellent
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil’s Hole and North-West Open Space:	Excellent
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	Leaving as is and provide improved facilities
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:	Beautiful as designed for the future enjoyment t of all Dubbo residents
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:	As above..Very Good
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	Excellent
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:	
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Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the North overall plan:	
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	
Comment on the South overall plan:	<p>Excellent..Overallfor future enjoyment..Develop it and it gone for good</p> <p>As naturalfauna and flora Rea</p>

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 01 – North Sporting Complex:	<p>There is a need for a river buffer zone where the sporting fields close to the river are planned. Move any sporting fields away from the river.</p> <p>The river loop needs to be made much safer for pedestrians and cyclists.</p> <p>All shade trees to be left/maintained in this area.</p> <p>Formalised car parks are to be limited with the proviso of no shade trees being removed.</p> <p>Pedestrian bridges must be high level suspension bridges to not interfere with river flows which lead to erosion and environmental degradation.</p>
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	<p>Absolutely NO MORE sporting fields should be located on the floodplain.</p> <p>Traveller rest areas and dogs off leash areas must be predicated on the loss of NO native trees.</p> <p>Any sporting fields and club house facilities should be put in a special area where these facilities can be shared.</p>

	<p>The bat rehabilitation area is important and this along with the retention of vegetation communities should be the main focus of the Police Paddock.</p> <p>Any pedestrian bridges should be set up to not interfere with river flows.</p> <p>This whole area should be set up as passive open space for visitors and residents, along with fruit bat/flying fox habitat restoration.</p> <p>NO car parks or access by motor bikes should be permitted in this area.</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil’s Hole and North-West Open Space:</p>	<p>The whole of this area needs to be designated as public parkland for environmental restoration.</p> <p>The NW precinct needs both passive and open space and sporting fields, but all sporting fields must be a precinct OFF the flood plain.</p> <p>Under no circumstances should car parks be built in this precinct, as this deprives local residents of access to the passive recreation area.</p> <p>The flood plain is not the place for a sporting complex. This complex needs to be situated elsewhere in the NW Precinct.</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:</p>	
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:</p>	<p>NO sealed roads in Regand Park.</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:</p>	
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:</p>	<p>NO car parks or sealed roads in Regand Park.</p> <p>The parkland must be restored for purely environmental purposes.</p>

<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:</p>	
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:</p>	
<p>Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:</p>	<p>This area should be designated public parkland for environmental restoration. The buffer zone for existing sporting fields should be increased. Future sporting fields must have planned car parks and shared facilities and be located away from the floodplain.</p> <p>There must be NO internal roads and car parks in the river corridor, as these increase heat, pollution, and noise that interferes with the enjoyment and appreciation of a natural, environmentally sound area.</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion’s Park West:</p>	<p>Any off road car parks need to be done without the removal of any trees.</p> <p>Lighting should not be required in this area, as this upsets the natural habitat of the wild life. Any lighting should be limited to low key lighting of footpaths.</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Biddybungie Reserve:</p>	<p>Any off road car parking spaces to access the reserve should not result in the loss of mature trees. Any car parks can be divided into smaller subsections as occurs in other similar developments in Australia.</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:</p>	
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:</p>	<p>There should be no new amenities buildings except for toilet facilities near any playground or garden project.</p> <p>No trees should be lost in the area.</p> <p>There must be no flood lighting of this area, as it disturbs birds and animals residing on the flood plain.</p>
<p>Comment on the North overall plan:</p>	<p>The area earmarked for sporting fields must be retained as the Regand Park for the North Precinct. The entire underdeveloped flood plain should be public parkland for environmental restoration to be enjoyed by the planned 15 000 new residents, other locals and visitors.</p> <p>There should be no more sporting fields sited on the floodplain. Any sporting fields need to be in a designated precinct away from the flood plain.</p>

	<p>There are to be no sporting fields, club houses or car parks or any form of artificial lighting on the flood plain. There should be no vehicle access to the NW Open Space except for a minimal number at the entrance to the parkland.</p>
<p>Comment on the North and South overall plan:</p>	
<p>Comment on the South overall plan:</p>	<p>It is very evident that Regand Park is now accessed by walkers, runners cyclists, families all appreciating a beautiful parkland area. The access by walkers and those with limited mobility is excellent.</p> <p>Access does need to be upgraded, but this access should include no other vehicles than emergency or maintenance vehicles. Under no circumstances do we need more roads or car parks in Regand Park.</p>

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 01 – North Sporting Complex:	the inclusion of proper carparks would make a big difference. The shade trees on Katrina gibbs wouldnt fit around the existing touch fields. Trees need to be outside the fence on sports fields. the boardwalk over the storm water would be required i you build more ovals on the police paddock
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	1) active recreation area. you wouldn't be able to fit 3 football fields in that space as well as the other stuff its only about 350m long by 100m wide so it cant be both. The RV point would probably be better at katrina gibbs near the touch club house because that is where they all already go to fill up there water. everything else to do with the police paddock i agree with except again putting trees all the way down the sides of the ovals. when council builds sporting facilities they need to make sure they are multi purpose and not just for one sport. there is enough room to fit cricket grounds as well as potentially another 6 touch fields running east west. i agree with everything else in that part of the plan
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil’s Hole and North-West Open Space:	<p>pontoons are impossible in floods</p> <p>again i would suggest to have no trees inside the sports field areas.</p> <p>i would also suggest only having 1 internal road with parking and a culdesac at the end rather than the loop roads</p> <p>this precinct would require alot more staff and plant to maintain.</p> <p>everything else i agree with</p>
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	all looks good

<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:</p>	<p>looks nice but the south area is an open paddock mostly with a slight fall towards the river and would easily be converted to sports fields. From a practical standpoint it would make sense to turn the open paddock areas across both the north and south areas into sports fields and the areas around those paddocks into bushland areas or recreation areas like most other sporting recreation areas in NSW. There is 20ha in the top paddock area at regand park and 23ha in the bottom paddock area not including the area from the fenced area back towards the bbq area of tamworth st there is plenty of room for both sports fields and bushland to co exist</p> <p>Also in terms of maintenance it would be far easier to maintain because there is already a large portion of fields along the river corridor</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:</p>	
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:</p>	
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:</p>	
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:</p>	
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<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:</p>	
<p>Comment on the North overall plan:</p>	

Comment on the North and South overall plan:	Looks nice but from a maintenance perspective it's certainly not how i would arrange the city's future sporting, recreation and bushland. As i stated before it would be easier to have them all coexist at the 3 major sites police paddock, regand park and devils hole. These are all large areas with enough room for Recreation, Sport and Bushland.
Comment on the South overall plan:	

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 01 – North Sporting Complex:	<p>No increase in sporting fields - bush regen instead. The river is already declining in health, we need to be increasing native vegetation and putting sporting fields elsewhere - they don't have to be beside the river.</p> <p>No increase in sealed surfaces - use crushed granite.</p> <p>More bins.</p>
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	<p>No club house, no active restoration area, no visitor/RV area - keep Police Paddock natural and increase the native vegetation there.</p> <p>good idea re iweir portage but not sure if its worth formalising at this stage - the weir should have a fishway incorporated into it soon, could look at redesign of the whole weir then.</p>
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil’s Hole and North-West Open Space:	<p>No sporting fields, club house and carpark. Revegetate the whole area. Sporting fields can go elsewhere, improving river health can't go elsewhere.</p>
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	<p>Bollards to stop trail bikes riding along here.</p> <p>Great to increase the riparian vegetation.</p>
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:	<p>No vehicle access (except emergency vehicles and garbage truck access). As stated previously - this is not safe for kids, older people. It also ruins the whole idea of getting into nature and away from cars and roads and the city. Think about what Dubbo's assets are - natural access to river areas close to the city but away from the city.</p> <p>Need bins all through this area.</p>

<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:</p>	<p>There does not need to be increased access for fishing and swimming (other than weed control) - I suspect this means more concrete paths and infrastructure? - keep it natural.</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:</p>	<p>No increase in exotic tree species. No concrete paths - these increase run off and reflect heat. Use crushed granite instead.</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:</p>	<p>No vehicle access through Regand Park (have emergency access only, as is currently the case - vehicles can drive on the walking track) - pitching this as "equitable access" is not correct - vehicle access losing equitable access for those with kids and older people who then have to worry about getting hit. It should also be a natural space to get AWAY from cars and the city.</p> <p>Ecohub is great thanks. And more tree planting - note we need more than just river red gums, we need understorey plants too in the area marked for river red gums.</p> <p>"Formalised and inviting arrival into Regand Park" sounds very formal British style gateways etc - whereas it needs to be culturally sensitive and more natural in style. Regand Park needs dual naming with a local Wiradjuri name as well.</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:</p>	<p>No new carpark next to Tamworth Street - this is taking up green space. Carpark under LHFord Bridge is a better idea. Carparks must be crushed granite, not more tar which has more run off and contributes to heating of the city. Litter in this area needs to be managed better - the footpath has litter all alongside it, especially in the long grass which is no longer mown. An increase in native plants and weed management is a good idea.</p> <p>No development at Sandy Beach - keep it natural. Some more picnic tables in the grass area and bins but nothing else. No food stand hard area. Keep the current shipping containers for kayak club and dragon boaters.</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:</p>	<p>Trees and native veg area along the river needs to be extended much wider.</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion’s Park West:</p>	<p>No new carparks - there is plenty of parking on the street.</p> <p>No concrete paths.</p> <p>No boat washing facilities - that will most likely mean litter and detergent getting washed from boats straight into the river. Its simply not necessary and will have a negative impact.</p> <p>Any upgrade of playgrounds must not use matting made from tyres - toxins are leaching into the environment from these. Rip up the current matting and put in something eco friendly. The playground is also a litter hotspot - put a bin right next the playground and clean up and patrol this area more regularly.</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Bidybungie Reserve:</p>	<p>No increase in concrete paths.</p> <p>No new carparks - this is the only natural reserve left in the middle of Dubbo.</p> <p>Council need to mow and maintain Bidybungie Reserve - this appears to have stopped since the floods.</p>

<p>Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:</p>	<p>Riparian tree area needs to be wider. There shouldn't be any houses in this area - completely off the mark with climate change, run off, river health, loss of habitat etc.</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:</p>	<p>No concrete paths - seriously, in this day and age of climate change... needs to be crushed granite. Concrete increases heat of the city and causes more run off into the river rather than filtering through the soil.</p> <p>No development at Sandy Beach - keep it natural, that's its drawcard. Increase the number of bins, CCTV at the carpark for littering, unauthorised camping and anti-social behaviour. The carpark needs the street sweeper to clean up the litter every day. No vehicle track on the beach.</p>
<p>Comment on the North overall plan:</p>	<p>No sporting fields. This is an opportunity to improve the health of the river by utilising the whole area for native revegetation.</p> <p>Include willow removal.</p>
<p>Comment on the North and South overall plan:</p>	<p>Employ a full time bush care officer to support reveg work. Or if this position currently exists, they need to be freed up so they can actually work on reveg and not just do general maintenance.</p> <p>Have a 5-year plan to put GPTs onto all storm water outlets.</p> <p>Better litter management; more bins needed along the river - these can be in the form of art.</p> <p>No increase in sporting fields on riparian land.</p> <p>No increase in sealed roads and vehicular access.</p> <p>Extend the native reveg areas beyond what is proposed in this plan.</p>
<p>Comment on the South overall plan:</p>	<p>No increase in vehicular access.</p> <p>Great that there are no proposed rugby fields in Regand Park.</p>

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 01 – North Sporting Complex:	Agree with an unpaved cycle trail continuing in this section and a walk cycle bridge across the river.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	no.8 in the legend is not shown on the map. A kayak portage is greatly needed. Agree with an unpaved cycle trail continuing in this section and a walk cycle bridge across the weir.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil’s Hole and North-West Open Space:	Agree with an unpaved cycle trail continuing in this section and a walk cycle bridge across the river.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:	Agree with an unpaved cycle trail continuing in this section and a walk cycle bridge across the river. Include EV charging station.

Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:	Agree with an unpaved cycle trail continuing in this section and a walk cycle bridge across the river.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	Include river access for kayak launch and 4vehicle parking spaces. Allows for kayaking down the river and exit down at Devils Hole section.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion’s Park West:	Include EV charging station
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Biddybungie Reserve:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	
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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 01 – North Sporting Complex:	There is not enough room allocated in the boxes provided, therefore I am emailing the feedback.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	
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FEEDBACK ON THE MACQUARIE NORTH SOUTH PRECINCT MASTER PLAN.



The reason I have had to reply this way is because the fields in the template are inadequate for the areas I have chosen to respond to.

AREA 01 ACTIVE RECREATION

Carpark (approximately 130 spaces) to provide additional parking for Lady Cutler Sportsfields. This area is already allocated for off Leash for dogs. Suggesting this area be allocated by bitumen to accommodate 130 car spaces (used mainly on weekends), is not fair given dogs use the area every day. Movement of people to and from sporting areas can occur effectively by people leaving their cars in an allocated space like Yarrandale Road and a bus shuttle service be provided to and from sporting events (Sydney and Melbourne are good examples of that).

Floodlighting for 2x fields

Existing sporting fields on the corner of Tamworth and Macquarie are already flood lit.

Reconfigure existing path to create buffer from existing eroded river.

This is a mistake, the reason for this erosion is the low lying bridges at Shibble Bridge, and at the end of Tamworth Street – both are supported by concrete pillons – interfering with the natural flow of the river. These bridges should both be suspended, thus limiting further damage to both sides of the river bank. In addition, by restructuring the footpath would mean the removal of established trees on both sides of the walking track on Tracker Riley heading towards Sandy Beach.

Food truck hardstand area: There is an existing culdesac at Sandy Beach, that accommodates some cars and there is room there for a food van.

Upgraded amenities.

What is the detail? There is a men's and women's toilet/shower block open from 7am to about 7pm daily. There could be improvements like solar panels supporting a HWS, so a warm shower is available, or a coin operated gas HWS for showering.

9. Improved vehicular circulation. Car entry into the Southern end of Regand Park should not be allowed. This area should be kept passive open space – the reason it was purchased initially. Indeed, the granite walking paths need maintenance from time especially following a flood event. To suggest having a bitumen road will encourage excessive cars, and increased litter will end up in the river. In addition, a bitumen road is high maintenance – after flooding the whole road could be lifted by flood waters, or eroded with potholes making it impassable.

12. Regrading, re-vegetation and deflectors in areas of high erosion.

Regrading this area would denude the area of existing trees and grasses.

13. Proposed carpark (75 spaces) to facilitate sporting precinct. Car parking should be discouraged, with emphasis on passive greenspace. Car parking facilities should be available, but away from this area and replaced with a bus shuttle service. Cities have trains, trams, and buses, so given we have buses this is doable. Providing sheltered areas of fixed tables and seating allows participants to have

seating and a place for a picnic without being subjected to being surrounded by a hot reflective road base.

SOUTH PRECINCT

Existing shared path to Ollie Rob'bins Oval (including future Events).

'Shared path', is a common reference throughout. However, there is a lack of detail of what 'shared' denotes. Shared paths (roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au) describes a 'shared path is an area open to the public that is designated for the use of both bicycle riders and pedestrians'.

However, given there is a lack of detail, and suggestions of new car parking spaces overall, would suggest that the shared paths are vehicular access as well. Should this be the case (car traffic) poses an accident waiting to happen on the paths. Currently, the existing paths are used for passive recreation. Mothers with toddlers running alongside, babies in strollers and walking the family dog, elderly people rely on gophers and walking frames. There are also cyclists, walkers and joggers.

I do not approve of any car traffic through this passive recreational area because it won't be passive anymore. Emergency and maintenance vehicles are the exception.

Precinct and Boardwalk

Upgrades to existing shared path and riparian corridor

3. Improved access and amenity at Sir Roden Cutler Park. I cannot comment because there is no description of what 'improved access and amenity is proposed.

4. Improved access and amenity at Sandy Beach? Sandy Beach is already accessible. Does improved mean a makeover of the toilet block, hot and cold water for showers with solar panels to support that. There is a lack of detail.

5. Improved access and amenity at Lady Cutler Sports Precinct. What is the proposal for 'improved'.

Toilet block makeover for sporting participants. Currently there are no toilets there for the public. Although there is on Sandy Beach Road. They are always locked except on weekends when there is sport, or a special event.

6. Existing community garden. This garden is well utilised with ample space for expansion.

7. Food truck hardstand area.

8. Improved access and amenity at North Regand Park.

9. Improved access and amenity at South Regand Park.

10. Proposed shared path along Macquarie Street.

11. Proposed shared path through future Miriam Development

12. Improvements to existing shared path across existing footbridge to

Taronga Western Plains Zoo. This bridge should be replaced with a suspension bridge to eliminate damage to the riverbanks during flooding. Currently, following a flood the debris builds up around

the pilons retaining all materials from upstream causing damage to the railing of the existing bridge, resulting in costs to DRC to make good the bridge, so that it is passable again. These delays can be long resulting in no access from Macquarie Street to the BMX track, Obley Road and the zoo.

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NO SEALED ROAD for cars should enter the park. Only entry for emergency and maintenance vehicles keeping the river gravel service as it is. It is easy to maintain, inexpensive compared to bitumen, and erosion after a flood event is readily repairable.

1 Proposed dog park at Sir Roden Cutler Park. There is already an off leash area here.

2 Upgrades to Sir Roden Cutler Park including additional parking, fitness stair, terraced seating and play area. There is already a parking area, fitness area and childrens play equipment insitu.

3 Upgrades to existing shared path and riparian corridor – improvement if required, but no vehicle traffic or bitumen.

4 Existing shared path to Ollie Robbins Oval (including future Events.

Precinct and Boardwalk). No vehicle traffic or bitumen surface to be installed, this will only detract from the ‘natural’ feeling we already have. I don’t believe making this whole area appealing to city people is what they want. I have seen areas at Bangaroo that look similar – manicured and artificial. City people visiting country areas are looking for something different – natural.

5 Pipe open drain and provide new carpark. A car park should not be built if it means removing the current established trees acting as a wind barrier from the north. Shuttle services can transport participants and their families from car parks away from the city.

6 Improved access and amenity at Lady Cutler Sports Precinct

7 Improved access and amenity at Sandy Beach. The existing road provides access for vehicles at the end of the cul-de-sac to Sandy Beach. What is missing is adequate seating under the shade of the trees facing the river. As it is, people with disabilities sit in their cars because there is no seating outside. Seats could include bench type, but not metal given they are very hot in summer and freezing in winter. The material would need to be timbers from sustainable forestry. Bearing in mind that during the sudden onset of flooding benches could be washed away if they are not secured by reinforced concrete bases.

8 Regrading, revegetation and deflectors in areas of high erosion. These areas should be left alone. Already there is considerable erosion caused by the Shibble and Tamworth Street bridge pilons interfering with the natural flow of water, causing the river to flow an unnatural course, that is why we have these problems. That also happened at the South Dubbo Weir, there was a huge cut out completely removing the walkway. If the proposed areas are cut away, it will in time become more eroded unless council replace the Shibble and Tamworth St bridges, so that they do not impede the natural flow of water. I would suggest the bridges are a priority.

9 Existing community garden

10 Existing area at North Regand Park

11 Proposed play space, amenities and lawn at North Regand Park

12 Proposed Eco Hub facility

13Expansion of existing tree planting. Planting of Australian species of shrubs flora and fauna that attract the local native species of birds and insects will improve the overall environment of this passive greenspace.

14Proposed wetlands. They do have such a facility in Narromine, many bird species do live/visit. There was a vehicle road into the area, but that is now closed to traffic, and as a result the ducks are no longer under threat of being killed because it is a walking area only.

15 Open grassland with tree planting and walking trails

No vehicle traffic in this area. Shrubs and tree planting should be in keeping with the tolerance of hot summers, and species that do well in the area.

Mud Run event space. The space allocated is where the event already is well positioned. My concern is making that area 'good' following the event to ensure the Scotch Thistle and other noxious plants are kept under control. Grasses should be planted to retain soils – preventing soil erosion.

16Koala feed tree plantation opportunity

Research states the maximum daily temperature should not exceed 40 degrees for more than a few days. This link suggests it is highly unlikely that Koalas would be attracted to the area suggested.

<https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/-/media/OEH/Corporate-Site/Documents/Animals-and-plants/Threatened-species/koala-habitat-restoration-guidelines-220154.pdf>

17Picnic area adjacent to existing weir

18Existing shared path connection to Macquarie Street. No vehicle traffic allowed.

19Proposed shared path connection to future Miriam Development and

Taronga Western Plains Zoo. No vehicle traffic.

23 Dog off leash area appears too limited in size (the legend indicates 1cm = 100 metres. Dogs – particularly large ones need to run, stretch and play.

Replace exotic trees along river with endemic riparian species.

I am aware where other established trees are removed for tube stock followed by a heavy rain event results in serious soil erosion. Suggestion would be to heavily lop unwanted species and plant tube stock around them. 1. 'Around Dubbo, Sodic soils have disproportionately high levels of sodium ions, which make them inherently unstable. They disperse readily in water and are, hence, highly erodible. They impede water infiltration, reduce water holding capacity, and ultimately limit plant growth.'

Area 03 – Regand Park North

Two way sealed entry road into Regand Park, under no circumstances should a sealed bitumen road be constructed in this sensitive area, because it will change the area completely from being a restful place without traffic to becoming a highway for hoons to drive their utes – completely ruining the area.

River Red Gum planting along river corridor – a good idea. Grasses should be planted first as they are quick to form roots and retain soils from erosion.

Restoration of riparian vegetation communities

Existing picnic area and loop road

Existing Leader Life building retained

Eco Hub facility buildings

Eco Hub greenhouses and agricultural plots

Open parkland for picnicking and informal ball sports with amenities

Nature play and discovery park utilising natural elements

First Nations cultural riverside gardens – only if our Indigenous population agree to the proposal and are happily involved in its development.

Retain and enhance existing storage shed (Mud run facility).

Dog off-leash area

13. Carparking and spaces marked for disabled parking, but this is where the vehicular access should end. There should not be a bitumen road further into the park, given the safety concerns for mothers with babies in strollers, elderly using their gophers and walkers etc. It is important that seating is available through the walking area, and seats that have backs and not just a block of sandstone. Although it won't move it is most uncomfortable, cold and has no support for the elderly needing back support. The choice of materials for making benches is paramount. Metal is hot and hard, plastics are hot too. The favoured material is timber from sustainable forestry.

Oneway sealed loop road to provide equitable access to the river and parkland

River Red Gum planting along river corridor

Restoration of riparian vegetation communities

Series of wetland ponds to improve water quality and provide habitat for birds and wetland plant communities

Area 04 – Regand Park South

One way sealed loop road to provide equitable access to the river and

Parkland. Suggesting a road through a 'passive area' will no longer be passive, or a safe place for peoples walking. Bitumen is high maintenance, and hot underfoot for both people and animals.

River Red Gum planting along river corridor, a great idea, but grasses are paramount to ensure retention of fragile soils.

Restoration of riparian vegetation communities

Series of wetland ponds to improve water quality and provide habitat. Whilst a wetland may seem attractive to peoples, it will only be attractive to bird life when it is established and provides a food source and shelter from predators. An island in the middle can provide some protection from foxes. Concern: when water stops flowing and levels are low algie bloom will soon appear in hot weather providing a toxic environment for bird life.

Picnic area with a series of shelters, tables, seating, BBQs and amenities with views over the river weir

Walking trails to provide access to bushland for educational and revegetation programs

Wetland boardwalks with views over the wetland system and bird hides for bird watching. This is like the one in Narromine, but the whole area is now closed to traffic allowing the birds to cross walking tracks without being killed.

Improve river access for fishing and swimming.

Bushland revegetation areas

Area 05 – Regand Park South

Koala tree plantation opportunity. This is frankly a silly idea, and would not provide a sustainable habitat for Koala's. I have referenced this in previous comments to substantiate good reasons for not implementing this 'fuzzy feel good' idea.

Area 06 - Sir Roden Cutler Park

3. Suggesting the current road becomes stairs for fitness ignores the fact that this road is currently used by cyclists trying to keep fit for a hill climb, and continuing the ride across the Newell Highway into Minore Road and beyond. I have no objections to creating a stair climb, but perhaps reconsider that within the plan.

NORTH PRECINCT

9 Proposed shared path connection to Dubbo Regional Cycling Facility and Charles Sturt University

The Dubbo Regional Cycling Facility is next door to the Charles Sturt University dental clinic. It is unclear if that is being referred to, or to the facility off Yarrandale Road. Lack of detail, so unable to comment except not enough detail.

The map would indicate there is an emphasis on sporting fields, but not greenspace for the large urban area proposal – particularly on the southwest corner. Given house blocks are smaller now to allow for more homes to be built, creates a greater need for community green meeting places, that can develop in the way that the community want.

Area 02 – Police Paddock

1. Active recreation area. What does this mean? Is this proposed facility shared across all sports, or dedicated to one sport only. There is a lack of detail and I consider this as deceptive, because community feedback is not given all the detail? For that reason, I am objecting to the development, and wish the area to be kept as passive green space. This will also eliminate the need for all the car parking.

Vehicular Access - Lady Cutler

Under no circumstances should there be two-way road access from Regand Park into South Regand Park and beyond.

NORTH**Draft North Precinct Area – North Sporting complex – 01**

There needs to be a plan to remove the sporting fields close to the river and replace with a riparian buffer zone in the future. This is very poor planning for the floodplain.

1 River loop to be made safer and cleaner for pedestrians and cyclist

3 Formalised line marking and car parking should only be undertaken if no shade trees are removed

4 5 and 6 agree but add riparian corridor need to be much larger into the future. Shade trees must be maintained.

7 A pedestrian bridge is a high cost, and would need to be a designed high level suspension bridge so as not to impede or change water flow. As happens with the other walk bridges

Draft North Precinct Area – Police Paddock - 02

There should be no more sporting fields on the floodplain and both the Clubhouse and sporting fields should be located in a designated sporting precinct where the fields, clubhouses and parking could be shared. (1 and 2)

3 Dog off leash area should be allowed on the proviso there is no loss of any native trees in this area and the dog leash area is fenced. Re travellers rest area see point 4 and 6

4 How is this consistent with point 6. If you have all these facilities there will be travellers arriving in the afternoon and staying there during the bats active period of sunset and early in the morning.

There is noise and bat poo and I would think this would lead to complaints. I am completely in agreement that bat rehabilitation is entirely appropriate on the floodplain for this endangered keystone species. However we should not purposely have facilities that will bring the bats into conflict with people. For example Port Macquarie Council is now paying residents adjoining a bat

reserve to install double glazing , relocating their clotheslines and building carports to stop bat poo.

5 Concerned about interaction between horses and bats. Hendra virus? Walkers, runners and cyclist s can easily avoid interaction by avoiding sunset and early hours of the morning.

6 The bat rehabilitation area is so important for the environment and future generations, it and the retention and enhancement of riparian corridor vegetation communities should be the main focus of the police paddock.

By having the whole police paddock as public parkland for environmental restoration, this area can be utilised as passive open space for people and provide bat flying fox restoration area for this keystone species.

Agree with 7 to 11

12 Again this access has to not interfere with river flow in times of flood and water release from dams etc. It must be a high level pedestrian bridge.

Lastly there should be no vehicle access including motorbikes with the exception of emergency and maintenance vehicles.

There should be no destruction of large remaining native trees

Draft North precinct – Devils Hole and NW Open Space – 03

There should be no more sporting fields on the floodplain. The Master plan for the North and South Macquarie/Wambuul River should designate the remaining undeveloped floodplain as public parkland for environmental restoration.

The NW Precinct needs both passive open space and sporting fields. The community expects better planning for this precinct. Sporting fields need to share resources including car parking in a designated sporting precinct off the floodplain.

Limited car parking is required when residents of the NW precinct are able to walk from their homes within 10 minutes to avail themselves of passive open space on the floodplain. This is also outlined in our Open Space Master plan. Are 15,000 residents to be deprived of passive recreation on the floodplain? I note there is a small amount of passive open space on the floodplain in the NW Urban precinct but insufficient for the number of proposed residents. Limited car parking should only be prior to entry to the floodplain precinct. This should be a place for people of all abilities to have quiet enjoyment in nature. It is not a place for vehicles of any description other than emergency and maintenance vehicles.

The floodplain is not the place for a sporting complex. The flood plain should be the Regand Park of the North Precinct. Put the sporting complex elsewhere in the North West Precinct. This precinct may have up to 15,000 residents and filling this area with sporting fields is shocking for current and future generations of this LGA and the larger community.

No sporting fields, clubhouse or car parks. There should be no vehicle access to NW Open Space other than a minimal number at the entrance to the parkland.

A pedestrian and cyclist access for the NW precinct residents is essential and Council has to learn from past mistakes. (Tamworth Street pedestrian bridge). We know with climate change we will have longer periods of drought and then when storms come they will be more intensive. We are already experiencing this. Although it will be costly a high level bridge for pedestrian and cyclists must be provided. It is needed to stop erosion and more damage to the floodplain. While at the same time providing access to people of all abilities.

Q2 of frequently asked questions is deceptive. Sporting field address the heat island effect? A very poor second cousin. Restoring the floodplain as public parkland for the environment will ameliorate the heat island effect. Q2 also raises that sporting fields do not preclude shade trees for spectators and I would agree with that. However where is the evidence in this LGA that shade trees have been preserved and extended around sporting fields in the past? Hopefully this can be addressed in the future.

Draft North precinct – North West precinct – 04

1 This should be the Regand Park for the North precinct. It is for up to 15,000 people and the entire undeveloped floodplain should be public parkland for environmental restoration. We need both passive open space and sporting fields in this urban area. Sporting fields and car parking should be in a sporting precinct so resources can be shared. Very limited car parking required. Residents will then have opportunity to access this unique area within 10 minutes walk of their homes according to our open space master plan.

2 Agree

3 Pedestrian and cyclist footbridge must be high rise as we cannot afford to repeat the errors of the past with low level bridges subject to flooding, dam releases and erosion.

4 Agree

5 Yes there should be pedestrian access to the NW Urban precinct for all residents and people using sporting facilities. Those sporting fields should not be on the floodplain.

6 Again a high level pedestrian/cyclist bridge is essential to create a continuous shared path loop. No need for extensive car parks or any roads on the floodplain other than the River St Bridge and

the high level bridge for pedestrians and cyclists.

Draft North precinct – Biddybungie Reserve – 05

3 Off road car parking spaces to access the reserve should not result in loss of mature trees. Please divide the car park into smaller sections to address tree loss.

Draft North precinct – Lion's Park West – 06

Agree with the following exceptions and comments

3 Off road car park, Again can this be done without any tree removals. This technology is used by many Councils but in the past it has not been utilised by DRC. A smaller number of car parks so no tree removal is required?

4 Why are boat washing facilities required?

10 Agree with on street parking

Restore as public parkland for future generations.

Our wildlife does not need lighting. We have amazing old hollows utilised by birds and animals and so close to our CBD. We need to protect this unique river floodplain. Open public spaces throughout Australia and the world are designed to be used from sunrise to sunset. This is also the regime for birds and many animals. They should not be disturbed by lighting and where required it should be lighting on footpath only and no upward lighting.

Draft North precinct – River Foreshore – 07

The remaining undeveloped floodplain should be designated as public parkland for environmental restoration. Keep low level bridges off it replace existing low level bridge as we know there will be longer periods of drought and then when storms come they will be increasingly more damaging. We need to increase the buffer zone where there are existing sporting fields. Also we need to plan to replace sporting fields that already exist and are too close to the foreshore All future sporting fields must have planned car parking and sharing of facilities. We do not need internal roads and car parks within our precious river corridor. Car parks should not intrude into our river corridor that is for people and not cars. We need a walkable, livable city for people of all ages and abilities.

Draft South precinct – general comment

Pleased to see the reason for the purchase of Regand Park 20 years ago has been acknowledged in this plan. A unique area for passive open space and Dubbo's oasis in the city. So important for future generations.

We do not need 680 car parking spaces. Appropriately designed sporting precincts away from the floodplain will significantly reduce this requirement. There are many LGAs that do not have a floodplain and still manage to have amazing sporting precincts. We need to capitalise on our amazing floodplain for future generations.

We do not need roads or car parks within the South precinct where there are currently none. The only access should be for cars or motorbikes that are emergency or maintenance vehicles. Similarly we must not have any more low level bridges and action must be taken to replace existing low level bridge. Erosion needs to be addressed and managed. We do understand now we have a changing climate and we must take action to ameliorate existing damage and action to prevent future predictable damage.

Draft South precinct – Active Recreation – 01

1 There should be no new amenities building on floodplain

3 There should be no tree loss for a 130 space car park, Instead a car park should be placed on 2 – Pipe open drain when it is filled. Why were the new sporting fields on Tamworth Street fairly recently built with no consideration about parking.

4 Agree

5 There should be no floodlighting for sporting fields on the floodplain. The entire area should only be used from daylight to sunset. Birds and animals residing on the floodplain will be disturbed. Yes there are sporting fields on the floodplain but in this location they should not be floodlit. Keep floodlights for designated sporting precincts off the floodplain.

6 sounds very logical but can it be done while retaining mature native trees? Also what will be done about the bridge we know played a role in this erosion?

7 This need to be achieved without the loss of trees.

10 Essential

12 This is essential and will be costly as the cause has to be addressed. No removal of mature trees. Has placing the sporting fields too close to the river foreshore contributed to the erosion?

. Expert advice needed to relocate the fields closest to the river. Of course add to that dam releases and flooding of the low level bridge equals serious unsafe erosion. Also this precinct has been carefully re vegetated by local volunteer community groups such as Rivercare and Bushcare.

13 Definitely not. This area has been revegetated by volunteers. No removal of trees

Draft South precinct – Regand Park Overall – 02

1 No roads or new car parks into Regand Park

2 No road. Regand Park can now be accessed by walkers, runners, families with prams, dogs, nature lovers, birdwatchers, fishers, picnickers etc. People who already access Regand Park do so using 1 or 2 walking sticks, mobility walkers and wheel chair. Yes access does need to be upgraded for them but no vehicles other than emergency vehicles and maintenance vehicles in the park. Like public open space throughout Australia and the world, this special area should be accessed from sunrise to sunset. No roads or car parks within Regand Park.

3 Agree – Also add low endemic vegetation to reduce weeds and for small birds and animals

4 Agree

5, 6, 7 Agree

8 It is essential to have this space for hard working volunteer organisations and environmental groups. The area for Leader Life is far too large. The community gardens off Tamworth Street are well used but not to capacity.

15 Put the mud run here as it will allow open space for views of Regand Park residents.

17 Put Mud Run where 15 is

Draft South precinct – Regand Park North – 03

1 No sealed roads or access roads for motor vehicles or motor bikes other than emergency or maintenance vehicles

7 Too large. Restore parkland for environmental purposes.

10 Has there been negotiations with first nations people about this in Regand Park?
13 No car parks in Regand Park

Draft South precinct – Regand Park South – 04

1 No sealed roads in Regand Park

Draft South precinct – Regand Park South – 05

1 No sealed roads in Regand Park

5 Mud run here to maintain open view for residents Regand Park

7 Mud run where 5 is

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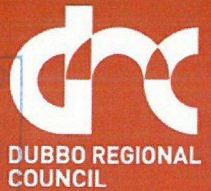
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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	this beautiful area should maintained and preserved as the floodplain with riparian rehabilitation zones and native bush regeneration area with a walking track only- no roads, no sporting fields, no carparks
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Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	<p>agree with 6</p> <p>no playground required, plant the quarry with natives and rehabilitate this hill area into natural bush</p>
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:	<p>1 No sealed roads in Regand Park</p> <p>No Mud Run area required- they can purchase their own land for their event- it creates unnecessary environmental destruction</p>

<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:</p>	<p>1 No sealed roads in Regand Park</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regand Park North:</p>	<p>1 No sealed roads or access roads for motor vehicles or motor bikes other than emergency or maintenance vehicles</p> <p>7 Too large. Restore parkland for environmental purposes.</p> <p>10 Has there been negotiations with first nations people about this in Regand Park?</p> <p>13 No car parks or roads within Regand Park</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:</p>	<p>1 No roads or new car parks into Regand Park</p> <p>This area should be maintained and restored as a floodplain , environmental park, native bush regeneration area, riparian rehabilitation zone</p>
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Comment on the North and South overall plan:	The river should have an extensive riparian rehabilitation zone all along both river banks for stabilisation, restoration, flora, fauna and aquatic protection and trees, reeds, shrubs and all native plants need to be rehabilitated all along.. The Riparian zone of a river is exxtremely important and needs protection and restoration. No established trees should be removed. No roads or carparks should be put here. Only a walking trail, arboretum, native bush regeneration area and botanical gardeh, no mowed lawns and no exotic trees.All local species should be used and casurinas for the black cockatoos are extremely important. Shade should be established and maintained. The entire floodplain should be preserved as an environmental park zone rehabilitated into its original and natural state
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Many local rate payers and citizens have read plans, submissions and reports relating to local council matters over the past 25 years or so. Yes, we all care about sound and appropriate planning for urban development and facilities:- residential, commercial, sports and environmental.

As climate change kicks in more seriously we all, as official entities, groups and individuals, need to respect the integrity and value of our soil, water and natural environment. More trees and shrubs (NOT less) are required; our tracts of natural bushland need to be retained, maintained and augmented. The draft south precinct and north-west precinct are possibly the most highly valued areas to have their environmental integrity retained.

Sporting fields for 2023 and for many decades onward are needed and can be provided on land owned presently by DRC or other. East Dubbo and North-East appear attractive. Floodplain areas are to be avoided, for many practical reasons.

If DRC can allow itself to become visionary, a wonderful natural attraction can be promoted, globally. This could

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link the Macquarie Marshes to the Trangie cowl, Narramine wetlands, Dubbo features including Regand Park and the Wellington Arboretum and Burrendong Dam/Park.

My friends and I have spent time in eco-tourism activities in Europe, S-E Asia and in the Americas.

We do enjoy many wonderful natural attractions including land forms, waterways, insects, animal, reptile and bird life.

Natural areas have no roads, carparks and artificial lighting.

DRC ... you can achieve something really special, if you can bite this amazing environmentally outstanding bullet.

Dubbo needs your visionary faith and courage.

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Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	

<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:</p>	<p>It would be terrific if the sealed loop road was designed to cater for sporting events as well as car traffic, fun runs, triathlons and bike racing. This might mean consideration to an area for starting and finishing events (i.e. wider road and access to amenities) the grade of bitumen and the (strategic) use of speed humps (removable or at least not on corners or near a finish line.</p>
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<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:</p>	
<p>Comment on the North overall plan:</p>	<p>Providing path access to the Dubbo Regional Cycling Facility is a terrific addition to the plan. Keep in mind though that the DRCF is primarily a facility for road bikes (as opposed to mountain or gravel bikes), and people riding these bikes tend to prefer sealed surfaces for safety.</p>
<p>Comment on the North and South overall plan:</p>	
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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	see above comment
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil’s Hole and North-West Open Space:	Keep as much open space as possible
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	Please go to last box for overall comment on the plan
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Comment on the South overall plan:	<p>Why do we have to fill every open space with amenities? A few tweaks and improvements yes. Regand Park and its River Foreshore are an asset as it is. Look at the Great Parks of London Regent's and Hyde Park have vast expanses of open space and places to play and relax. They have stood the test of time. We are being corralled down the path of building infrastructure that has to be maintained for the sake of building something. Regand Park and the foreshores of the Macquarie River are a great natural asset for this town. As for the proposed lake it would have to be lined and maintained. (the water in that area drains away and does not hold) Council cannot maintain the parks and gardens they oversee currently so how are they going to maintain this area?</p>

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Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:	Please leave this area alone, do not interfere with this pristine environment. Leave it for future generations to love as we do. Let it be our most worthwhile legacy.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:	Please leave the South alone, do not touch it. If you must do something, do it mildly ion the North.

<p>Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:</p>	<p>As above, leave this area alone, there should not be any active recreation in this area bar walking and admiring nature and protecting nature.</p>
<p>Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:</p>	
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<p>Comment on the North overall plan:</p>	
<p>Comment on the North and South overall plan:</p>	<p>As above, treat the North with care and the South as sacred. The South is sacrosanct, not to be touched anymore than it is now. It is not for sport, bbqs, picnics or vehicles. Leave such a pristine area as the Great Architect of the Universe intended it to be, unique for its tranquility and beauty.</p>
<p>Comment on the South overall plan:</p>	<p>Do not interfere with Regand Park South, once you do it can never be brought back and you will be accountable, in all so many ways. Leave it alone, as nature, not transitory humans who are merely passing by and disturbing a masterpiece, is precious and for our children's children.</p>

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Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	<p>Firstly, thank you for removing our property from the futuristic walking track. I note that Mirriam is surrounded by track. I understand this will be privately owned residential estates. I do not want a walking track out of my bedroom window and will expect far more consultation in the future than has existed this time around. Our property is not secured sufficiently to have such infrastructure erected outside of our immediate dwellings and a key value placed on this property is the amenity and privacy it offers - destroyed by one Council decision. I understand the Mirriam walking paths are aspirational at this point - but by definition they will not be in the future. I do not want this path where it is currently on the map - 7 metres from my families bedroom windows.</p>
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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 01 – North Sporting Complex:	Agree with most of suggestions however concerned that playing fields are located too far northwest. Hopefully developers will be obliged to include passive and active recreation areas as home building expands.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil’s Hole and North-West Open Space:	Better access road needed for this area with barriers to limit speeding
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	Dog park a great idea
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:	This area will need greater security and measures to prevent hooning around.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:	This area will need greater security and measures to prevent hooning around.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	This area will need greater security and measures to prevent hooning around. Safety of pedestrians and cyclists need greater consideration.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:	Concerned about wetlands during drought. Could be smelly muddy unattractive area. Access and exit roads should be one way only. Eco hub should include storage facility for Dubbo Rivercare to house trailers and other equipment.

Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:	Good current use for sporting fields. Sandy Beach road is well used but parking on either side can be hazardous for through traffic and pedestrians.
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion’s Park West:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Biddybungie Reserve:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	Tree planting should not be too close to riverbank to avoid destruction during flooding.
Comment on the North overall plan:	A very detailed design and report. A combination of passive and active spaces is excellent. Security needs to be taken into account with adequate lighting and CCTV cameras. Road construction methods need to be incorporated to prevent hooning around by car enthusiasts.
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	A very detailed design and report. A combination of passive and active spaces is excellent. Security needs to be taken into account with adequate lighting and CCTV cameras. Road construction methods need to be incorporated to prevent hooning around by car and motorbike enthusiasts.
Comment on the South overall plan:	A very detailed design and report. A combination of passive and active spaces is excellent. Security needs to be taken into account with adequate lighting and CCTV cameras. Road construction methods need to be incorporated to prevent hooning around by car and motorbike enthusiasts.

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 01 – North Sporting Complex:	<p>3 Formalised line marking and car parking should only be undertaken if no mature native trees are removed</p> <p>4 5 and 6 agree but add riparian corridor need to be much larger into the future. Mature native trees must be maintained.</p>
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	<p>3 Traveller rest stop and dog off leash area. Should be allowed on the proviso there is no loss of any native trees in this area. The dog leash area should be fenced.</p> <p>Should be no vehicle access including motorbikes with the exception of emergency and maintenance vehicles.</p> <p>There should be no destruction of large remaining native trees</p>
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil’s Hole and North-West Open Space:	A pedestrian and cyclist access for the NW precinct residents is essential . Although it will be costly a high level bridge for pedestrian and cyclists must be provided.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:	1 No sealed roads in Regand Park
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04 – Regand Park South:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	<p>1 No sealed roads or access roads for motor vehicles or motor bikes other than emergency or maintenance vehicles</p> <p>7 Too large. Restore parkland for environmental purposes.</p>
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:	<p>This is a unique area for passive open space and Dubbo's oasis in the city. So important for future generations.</p> <p>Roads (save for emergency access) within the South precinct where there are currently none will place people at risk and enable criminal activities such as dumping, dangerous driving at night, places to leave burnt out cars etc. The only access should be for cars or motorbikes that are emergency or maintenance vehicles.</p>
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:	<p>3 There should be no tree loss for a 130 space car park, Instead a car park should be placed on 2 – Pipe open drain when it is filled. mature native trees should always be retained.</p>
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	<p>Increase the buffer zone between the sports fields and foreshore. the foreshore Car parks should not intrude into our river corridor that is for people and not cars.</p>
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion’s Park West:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Biddybungie Reserve:	<p>3 Off road car parking spaces to access the reserve should not result in loss of mature trees. Please divide the car park be divided into smaller sections.</p>
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	<p>We need both passive open space and sporting fields in this urban area. Sporting fields and car parking should be in a sporting precinct so resources can be shared. Very limited car parking required. Residents will then have opportunity to access this unique area within 10 minutes walk of their homes according to our open space master plan. Greater pedestrian connectivity should be provided within the urban development to passive and active recreation areas.</p>
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the North overall plan:	
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	
Comment on the South overall plan:	<p>Regand Park can now be accessed by walkers, runners, cyclists, families with prams, dogs, nature lovers, birdwatchers, fishers, picnickers etc. People who already access Regand Park can do so using 1 or 2 walking sticks, mobility walkers and wheel chairs. Yes access does need to be upgraded for them but no vehicles other than emergency vehicles and maintenance vehicles in the park. Like public open space throughout Australia and the world, this special area</p>

	should be accessed from sunrise to sunset. No roads or car parks within Regand Park.
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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 01 – North Sporting Complex:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil’s Hole and North-West Open Space:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:	

Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Biddybungie Reserve:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the North overall plan:	I am interested to know about the houses that are currently established, it looks like some properties will need to be purchased by council.
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	Please no private sporting fields. Please have lots of green passive space for future generations
Comment on the South overall plan:	

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 01 – North Sporting Complex:	The main problem I see is the encroachment onto the riparian zone. With our floods gaining in intensity, it's paramount to have a wider corridor along the river to stabilise the area for future floods. The sporting fields allow that water to rush unimpeded. I believe they should be moved . They also contribute rubbish, which is a huge problem
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	Retention and improvement of the riparian corridor should be a main focus. A designated travellers rest stop (not camping) and off leash dog area (fenced of course), should not be at the expense of any shade trees. Vehicle access should be prohibited
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil's Hole and North-West Open Space:	Vehicular access needs to stop, except emergency vehicles, as they create pot holes, make the area unsafe, leave rubbish and spread weeds. The weeds have taken off since the flooding and there needs to be more done to combat rubbish and introduced weeds , including European trees like willows, and cedars that will ultimately choke the river
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	We need to be enhancing and maintaining our floodplain for the future. More car parking spaces will increase run off and also create a heatbank. These things need to be away from the river. I think its obvious that we need to have a wide (50M) corridor on either side of the river, that contains trees and shrubs that will help to slow the massive floods we are getting and help to minimise the erosion.
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:	no sealed roads. A return to a more natural areas with native rather than introduced trees
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:	I'd like to see the area as natural as possible to enjoy for family picnics and accessible to all on foot (including wheelchairs), but no vehicle access, not sealed

Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	no car parks, no sealed roads
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:	I moved to Dubbo 18months ago and I think that Regand Park has such huge potential for enhancement. I see a lot of walkers and push bikes particularly. More native trees and shrubs to keep weeds and maintenance down would be great . I joined Rivercare and they are tearing their hair out about where to park the Rivercare trailer. It would be great to have somewhere that would help to increase their presence. The group is vital and dwindling in number as the work is overwhelming at times. A bush care officer from the council to help co ordinate and provide support would make huge difference. A couple of major figures are leaving the group and it will flounder without help but a little help will make it prosper. I can't stress this enough
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:	Prefer to see no new amenities or tree loss. Barren sporting fields don't belong near the river
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	There needs to be more bio diversity
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion's Park West:	Better maintenance required for rubbish and weed removalremoval
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 05 – Bidybungie Reserve:	More bio diversity
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 04 – North-West Precinct:	Are more houses in this area are creating a run off problem? We need less cement and more green spaces to absorb carbon and water
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	I don't think the area needs any more infrastructure but enhance what is there. My husband and I go kayaking from there. It looks neglected
Comment on the North overall plan:	Riparian area maintained at 50m either side. No roads. Minimal disturbance, increase in green spaces, no tree removal, walk/cycle tracks maintained
Comment on the North and South overall plan:	I've only been in Dubbo for 18months but I'm very mindful of the impact further poor development would have the beautiful areas near the river. Huge flooding events that will continue to occur and increase in volume and intensity will require similar mitigation. The riparian area needs to be increased to 50m either side to protect the river, the township and the people that live along side it
Comment on the South overall plan:	I feel I've already commented. I'd like to see the area enhanced with more bio diversity, so understory as well as trees along the river bank itself with a 50m wide corridor to protect the bank and impede the flow of the river. Bike/walking/ wheelchair trails next to this zone to allow a multi use (not vehicle access) space. Important also, for Rivercare to be an obvious presence in the area with a place to lock up their trailer. The work desperately needs to continue. They are an asset to the area

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Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 01 – North Sporting Complex:	There should be no carparks or roads here- its a riparian riverzone and floodplain. There should be NO sporting fields next to the river. This riverside area should be a riparian rehabilitation zone- there should be NO carparks or roads and NO native bush or trees should be cleared for sporting fields. Sporting fields should be built on a sports hub and not on a floodplain! or riverside zone- this area should be rehabilitated and protected and restored to be a native bush arboretum or botanical park and garden for people to walk in peace and quiet beside the river with plenty of local native tree species for the extensive riverside bird life. No developments on floodplains as per NSW Government rules!
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 02 – Police Paddock:	There should be NO clubhouse or buildings on a floodplain. This area should be rehabilitated into a riparian riverbank rehabilitation zone- it is already a beautiful natural area full of beautiful old rivergums that should be preserved and protected for birdlife and wildlife, the riverbank zone should be replanted and restored with all native plants. NO shelters, dump point, amenities or buildings should be put here as it is a floodplain and nothing should be built on a floodplain- a dump point on a flood plain is a HAZARD and potential pollutant in a flood!!! This area should be the 'Hyde Park' of Dubbo and a native botanical garden
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 03 – Devil's Hole and North-West Open Space:	There should be NO sporting fields and clubhouse in this area! Agree with the rest- walking and cycle trails but leave this beautiful area natural for recreation and environmental restoration and rehabilitation- no amenities, roads or carparks should be placed onto a floodplain!! It is against the Governments rules and regulations. This is a natural beautiful area which does not need to be developed or cleared- it should be an important Riparian Rehabilitation river zone to return the riparian zone to its original and important natural state. All plants and trees planted here should be local species and natives and an assortment and diverse range of flora for birds eg shrubs, trees, ground-covers and native botanical gardens- this will attract tourists for eco-tourism if Dubbo makes this

Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 06 – Sir Roden Cutler Park:	Minimiise carparks and playgrounds and development to this area. The quarry should be replanted into a botanical garden and arboretum, the hill should be revegetated and this area should be restored into a riparian rehabilitation zone and area
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 05 – Regand Park South:	There should be NO roads and NO bulldozers to this area- its should be maintained and restored as the 'Hyde Park' of Dubbo and rehabilitated further with natural and native bushland, riparian rehabilitation zone and floodplain. This is already a pedestrian only area and SHOULD BE MAINTAINED AS SUCH! Please keep cars and roads away from the peace and quiet and privacy of Regand Park where people can come to nature to relax and unwind with native bush and wildlife
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 04 – Regand Park South:	no mud-run, no roads and no amenities- keep as a car-free park-land and riparian rehabilitation zone area and restoration botanical zone
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 03 – Regard Park North:	no roads, no buildings, no carparks on a floodplain and important riparian zone!
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 02 – Regand Park Overall:	keep it as the 'Hyde Park' of dubbo with a beautiful and natural area like a national park for peace and quiet away from cars and roads
Comment on the Draft South Precinct – Area 01 – Active Recreation:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 07 – River Foreshore:	
Comment on the Draft North Precinct – Area 06 – Lion's Park West:	
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Comment on the North overall plan:	

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To Whom it May Concern,

Feedback on the Macquarie River Master Plan

I attempted to submit an Online Submission on the above Plan.

However, incase there was an issue these are my Key Points.

1. In Regand Park, remove vehicle access. People can walk, ride a bike or electric scooter or personal disability scooter. There is no need for vehicles, apart from maintenance vehicles.
2. Preserve the beauty, peaceful, serenity, where the noise of the birds is all you can hear (and not vehicles). This is the most precious commodity. A space where you can get away. A space of bushland in town. It is the only space where the cacophony of birdlife surpasses the noise of trucks, cars, etc. Leave it that way.
3. Once vehicles enter, then so does pollution, noise, anti-social behaviour, honking, illegal camping, backyard theft. There is enough areas for cars to access already.
4. Remove the sealed looped road access for cars – keep in closed for general access.
5. There are too many trees near the Regand Park Houses (6) page 65. Need more (5) Open grassland to maintain views from residence. Our view will be destroyed by this plan.
6. Remove (2) Amenities Building page 65. This is outrageous. More drug spaces like the toilets at Sandy Beach. Is Council trying to ruin Regand Park?
7. Move the (4) Learning /Rest Amphitheatre to near Regand Park North or the area close to Leaderlife. Or near the river. This is too close to houses.
8. The Mudrun Operators never clean up their plastic numbers that fall off in the mud-pits. They just fill the pits in plastic and all.
9. Remove from the plan the walking tracks (3) near the Regand Park houses – this will be a security issue and affects privacy and enjoyment of our backyards. It means that kids can't use their pools in privacy without people leering as they wander past any hour of the day.
10. There are too many trees. There should be more open grassland spaces to appreciate the views and the wide open spaces.
11. Consider an Eucalyptus Botanical Garden Planting somewhere.
12. Keep the Amenities Buildings only near Regand Park North. No Amenities Building at Regand Park South.
13. All the playing fields should be out at Wheelers Lane near the schools... Council should plan for growth in East and not continually squish fields in water logged locations along the river. The potential is for a properly drained fields on Wheelers Lane. Currently the fields are always closed and sports cancelled after every storm and flood because of poor location and poor drainage.

IN SHORT, REGAND PARK SHOULD NOT HAVE GENERAL VEHICLE ACCESS. THERE NEEDS TO BE MORE OPEN GRASSLAND, GET RID OF THE AMENITIES BLOCKS FROM REGAND PARK SOUTH. REMOVE TRACKS AND CONSTRUCTION NEAR REGAND PARK HOUSES.

DON'T UNDERMINE THE PEACE AND TRANQUILITY.

PRESERVE REGAND PARK. NOT EVERYWHERE HAS TO BE THE SAME. KEEP IT BUSHLAND.

Kind regards,



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NORTHERN RIVER PRECINCT-SPACIAL CONCEPT PLANS

My preference of options is Plan 1 & 3 which would provide better traffic road options into Dubbo Bypass Road. Our main plan completed the best plan on all existing roads. Due to the now outdated Glen Willow project in Mudgee we must consider with an open mind the No 8 listed plan.

In our Bypass plan, the section Yarrandale to Cooreena Rd would be 4 lane, connecting to 3 main highways at Troy Newell Highway roundabout. This may be considered only a small issue, but the result in what has been long overdue as the Bypass route runs $\frac{3}{4}$ km to the west of Airport, the No 8 small plan, important to fit in with 5 new Dubbo housing suburbs west of Dubbo.

Housing & industry need to work together better, you work in one subdivision, & live elsewhere, the increased traffic load on both the Newell & Golden Highways in North Dubbo would be made worse at all times by the Bridge to nowhere "River Street" at a cost of \$350 million so I have removed it from my thinking, knowing it has only .3 of a cost factor and still may not go ahead ? if the government funding scale comes into play. A Government project have to have a cost benefit scale rating of over 1, so 0.03 should not be built, having said this I consider the listed 1 to 8 a step long overdue. I would be happy with the Northern River precinct as it stands. This much needed planning can support the concept of a place to live, work & plan all in your own backyard.

Dubbo is on the borderline as far as Dubbo Cycle club, Dubbo Gun club and Dubbo Cart racing club, the next housing development must centre on land for industry centres, for example if you live in Brocklehurst due to only having minimal industries & no service centres planned, you have to drive into Dubbo over 10 kms away to buy goods & services, we do this on all roads to Dubbo as we don't have services where we live. This is highlighted by the people from

towns nearby, loaded roads & highways at traffic peaks times, morning & night, so why do they do this? Because their town has no industry & jobs, the same as all major towns in NSW. Do we want to remain the same, I don't think so?

Ollie Robbins Oval, council have received 3.5 million in funding to upgrade the oval, listed on the district maps as being a permanent flood plain, the maps don't lie for Bligh St. Council flood records must be in poor order, as it was put to council years ago, that a councillor wanted to build a lake on Ollie Robins Oval, it was rejected completely due to flooding issues. I can only smile at the recent logic of the current Mayor who stated "we would have to design the Ollie Robins Oval Upgrade to allow for flooding, why would you build on an area subject to flooding at all? I give an example, the timber boardwalk would need to be replaced after every flood event, the total project is too small for the oval, which would only provide for approximately 5000 people max.

Experience has told us 5000 to 10 000 people will not attract top artists to Dubbo for major events/festivals etc. Observation of past events of 5000 young students & teachers lining up, running across a busy Bligh Street, from too few & small car parks, for a colour run – yes we, Sir Rod Cutler Park Entertainment Committee went to council & complained, don't get me wrong, we want to build an entertainment space for all, without accident or incidents, our simple suggestion is to create this project at Sir Roden Cutler Park, to remove the Blight Street dangers, use the 800 hundred car & bus parking behind Big 4, start events on Tracker Riley walkway instead of being at the ½ way point. Events could stick to Tracker Riley around to Ollie Robins Oval & finish run at Sir Roden Cutler Park, leaving car park all done, safe & having had an enjoyable time. If the proposed music bowl/entertainment development

was approved it would provide additional amenities & options for all on the Tracker Riley, lower river area which currently has had no bathroom facilities for well over 20 years.

Park, Trails & River Access- Ollie Robins Oval, the photo alongside park trails & river access – No objections. The use of timber decking on a walkway by the river is not on, I maintain this very important planning area for our great city is needed, however do we want to have to present to our tourists & others who come to our city, providing much needed tourism dollars to have to step around flood damaged, burnt & fenced off timber decking – sorry no timber decking.

No 1 Church Street, now under construction, the river precinct would be enhanced from No 1 Church St to Wingewarra Street to The Monkey Bar, council re zone Bligh street frontage as high rise which would enhance the rear of Macquarie street buildings. Due to Dubbo Traffic problems with increased vehicles, where possible try to service businesses from rear shop entrances, alleviating problems two tonne or panel vehicles blocking traffic flow unnecessarily in Macquarie Street.

Northern Active Recreation Precinct.

Sports Fields – Lower ^{MACLEAY} Macquarie Street.

I believe better improvements can be made from Brisbane Street which is not shown on the map. Darling Street is listed on the map for on street parking, however Darling St is a residential area.

I believe the northern active recreation precinct is missing street access to the 3 sporting complexes via Newell highway & Erskine St, down Brisbane street to lower MacLeay St. Currently access and parking for sports, including netball,

football, touch footballs & cricket is strictly one way in & one way out. We need to change this at Macleay St/Brisbane Intersection to have to services the sporting ovals. One lane can service Katrina Gibbs Oval & Netball courts with space for parking available on the Northern side of Katrina Gibbs Oval. PLEASE REFER TO MY SKETCH

Touch Football building-Western cricket oval, parking for cricket, parking for touch football – 2 lane roadway from cricket ovals for way-out to follow the high section of way out to Myall St, the road to merge into Myall & Brisbane streets – sealed out to be protected by lights at the turn into Myall street. Existing oval next to Myall Street boundary has ample single parking.

Sport Traffic flow at peak sporting times, limited parking. This draft is incorrect on traffic flows, as the traffic congestion is highlighted – to use this example in itself showing Sandy Beach road. The sporting congestion starts at Macquarie St, Tamworth St all the way down to Sandy Beach.

1/Dubbo Park Run – Saturdays, run starts from car park at Sandy Beach, this run attracts up to 300 runners, all parked in lower Tamworth street – it could start from car park at Sir Rodden cutler park utilising large carpark behind Big 4.

2/Dragon Boat Club – Operate out of 2 containers at Sandy Beach – a boat shed on the Deep western side of river near viewing platform at Sir Roden Cutler Park could be utilised for the Dragon Boat Club, allowing more tourists or locals to interact with the river & the club more.

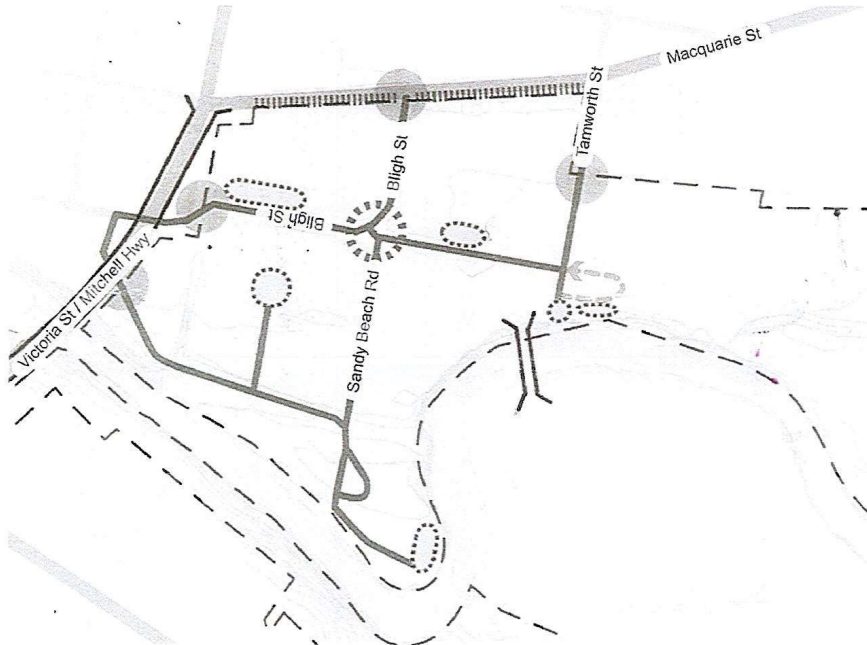
3/ Dragon Boat Club -Provide a boat ramp & landing on Deep western side of the river, suggest a concrete shed down to water level as currently club carry boats by hand, a toilet block is the only thing available at Sandy Beach.



Lady Cutler Oval

Vehicular Access Improvements

- Site boundary
- == Major road
- Secondary road
- Internal two-way road - sealed
- Internal one-way road - sealed
- Future connection
- ⊗ Two-way entry/exit
- One way in/out
- ||||| On-street parking (formalised)
- Carpark
- ⊖ Existing traffic congestion



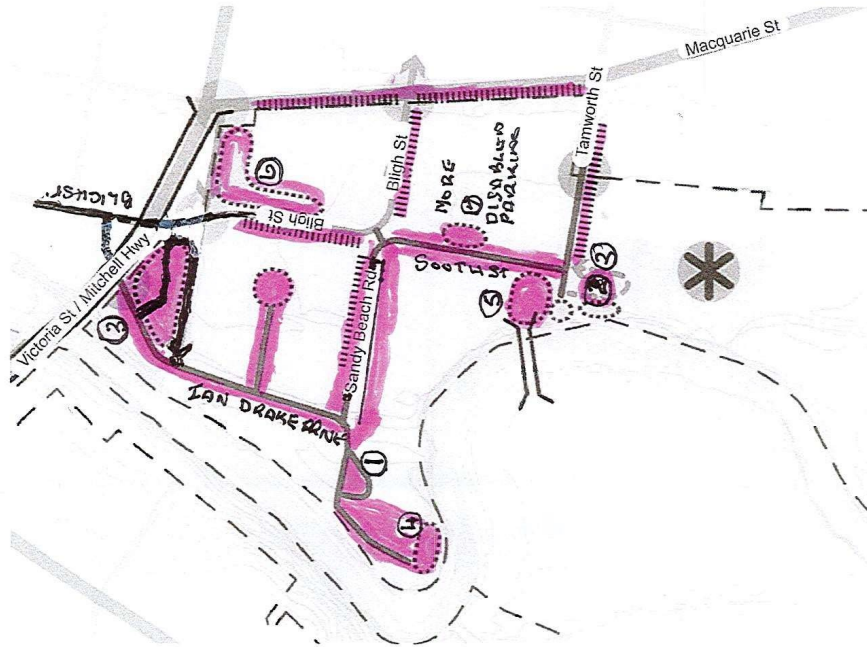
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Existing problems

- Poor traffic flow at peak sporting times
- Limited parking
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Proposed solutions

- Connect internal streets
- Change some streets
- Provide additional on-street and off-street parking areas
 - ① UPGRADE CAR PARK.
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Survey question: Do you think these suggested changes to vehicular access around Lady Cutler Oval will improve traffic flow?

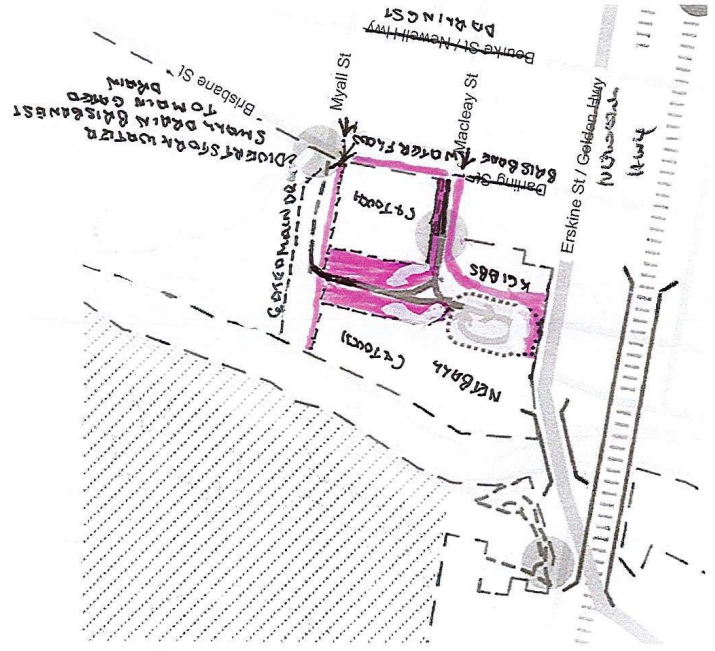
Northern Active Recreation Precinct

Vehicular Access

- - - Site boundary
- ▬ Major road
- ▬ Secondary road
- ↔ Proposed highway
- - - Internal two-way road - unsealed/informal
- ▬ Internal two-way road - sealed
- ▬ Internal one-way road - sealed
- ✳ Future connection
- Two-way entry/exit
- One way in/out
- ▬ On-street parking (formalised)
- Carpark
- Existing traffic congestion
- ▬ Future development precinct



Survey question answer
 No, Inconvenient to name
 it this way but survey
 if we can be back for
 consultation it means
 nothing

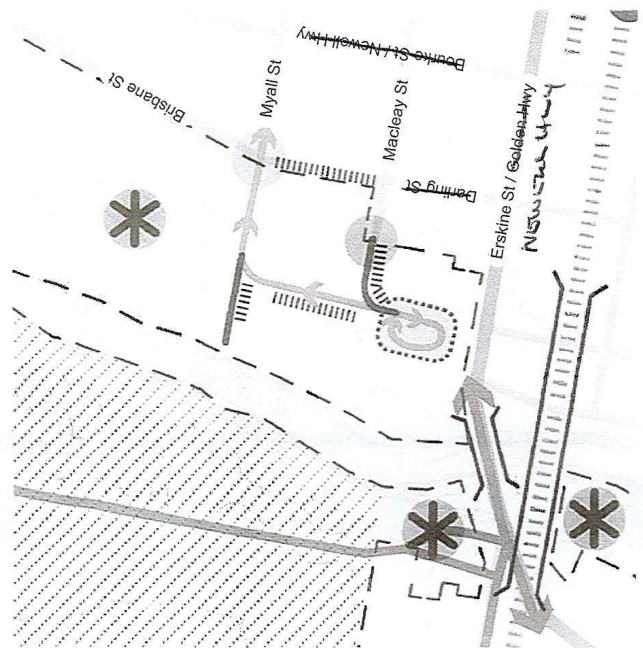


Existing problems

- Poor traffic flow at peak sporting times
- Limited parking that is mostly informal

2. PROPOSED NEW NET BALL COURT
 COULD BE BUILT IN THE SOUTH EAST CORNER OF THE SITE
 ON RIVER SIDE LEAVING SITE ON RIVER SIDE LEAVING SITE ON RIVER SIDE
 MOVE DOWN MAIN ST TO BE OPEN AND MOVE FURTHER INTERCTIONS
 BLOCK TO TOUCH CLUB HOUSE EXTENDED NEW PARKING MOUNT
 SIDE (CENTRAL AREA A NO. 1) ETC.

1. EXTEND CARPARK SOUTH EAST END TO NEWELL HWY
 2. DIVERT STORM WATER DRAIN BY MYALL ST TO MAIN GUTTER
 3. PROVIDE PARKING FROM MAIN GUTTER TO RIVER BANK IN DOWN HILL INTERSECTIONS OVER TOUCH CLUB HOUSE
 4. TWO WAY ROAD INTO ONLY TOUCH CLUB HOUSE
 5. EXISTING CURVE AT TRAMWAY TO BE GRADED NORTH TO NORTH TO MYALL ST.
 6. BIG PARKING LOT ON NORTH SIDE OF MAIN MYALL ST.



Proposed solutions

- Connect internal streets with one-way network
 - Provide additional on-street parking areas
- THIS IS WELL PROVIDED

Survey question: Do you think these suggested changes to vehicular access around the Northern Active Recreation Precinct will improve traffic flow?

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In reference to proposed Master Plan – North precinct, particularly the Police Paddock.

The proposal in this area has both good and bad elements. Overall, the primary issue with it is that it is trying to do too many things in a small area. Car parking, RV parking, off leash dog area, horse riding, wetland, flying foxes, riparian restoration etc. etc and add in toilets, club house, bbqs and sporting fields.

This needs to be redesigned to put less into the space to allow it to retain more of its natural flavour. I live adjacent and there is very little antisocial behaviour there, and certainly no more than in other park areas that are more formal, so the need to activate this precinct for that reason, as mentioned in the masterplan, is erroneous.

Specific issues:

- We do not need more sporting fields here. I visit these fields almost daily and they are seriously underutilised, considering the expense to the community to water and maintain them. There are certain brief moments (Monday evening, or Saturdays in winter, or Sundays in summer) where there is utilisation of the space, but even on these occasions, it never appears that the fields are inadequate for their purpose. More pressure should be put on sporting clubs to be more creative with their scheduling of games etc. so that the area is better utilised over a longer periods, rather than a rush all at once. Further, with increasing population, new sporting fields should be put into new suburbs in the northeast and southwest, where they can be built from scratch with appropriate parking and traffic management rather than trying to jam more into the river precincts.
- Another club house (for what sport) separated and at the north end of the Police paddock makes absolutely no sense.
- RV trailers. I object to this. People will absolutely end up camping down there and as a neighbour, I do not believe that this appropriate. It will be impossible for Council to police this, and the area is not designated for overnight camping.
- The off-leash dog area is far too small. The entire area is currently used as an off-leash dog area, so restricting it to this small location does not provide enough space for effective carrying out of this activity.
- There is too much space dedicated to carparking, which is ugly and heat creating. If the sporting fields were removed from this design as I believe they should be, then the amount of parking could be reduced. There is plenty of space along the road that currently accesses the netball and touch football fields for additional parking to be better created and if the sporting clubs did a better job of scheduling games over different days / evenings then there would not be so many people trying to get down there at the same time.

In summary, less is best. This area is quiet and natural and whilst I agree that some level of activation could be good, i.e. continuing bike / walking paths that connect with existing paths; and making better tracks for walkers and horses etc, we do not need this high level of manicuring of the space. Remove sporting fields and RV parking and reduce size of parking lot.

Taken out of the DRC Open Space Master Plan 2018 - the following:-

Dubbo Region resilience to natural hazards With anticipated hotter summers and unpredictable longer heatwaves being predicted the masterplan had included this strategic direction. The community will face tougher conditions and hotter weather will cause loss of animals and livestock. Predictions for continued degradation and extensive loss of local flora and fauna are expected. Integration of environmental needs into an open space framework will set a program approach for resilience to change.

This masterplan connects critical OEH vegetation mapping. It maps buffers and connectivity within the current network. The masterplan aims to build resilience to natural hazards, fire and flood management, achieving a healthy water environment and the protection and rehabilitation of biodiversity

The planning framework The Open Space Masterplan 2018 has aligned with Council and State policies. State policy direction includes open space planning opportunities to ensure Dubbo is a healthy place to live and work:

- Direction 13: Protect and manage environmental assets.
- Direction 14: Manage and conserve water resources for the environment.
- Direction 15: Increase resilience to natural hazards and climate change.
- Direction 16: Respect and protect Aboriginal heritage assets.
- Direction 29: Deliver healthy built environments and better urban design

The Current NSW Premier has declared "No more building on Floodplains." Why are we even considering sporting fields in our valuable riparian zone of the Macquarie River within

the City limits.

In the Draft North Precinct area - Police Paddock 2

Good to see the bat population considered, however, they do not go with horses , cyclists, car parks, lights etc. It should be left solely as bat rehabilitation which is suitable for a floodplain for an endangered species. Bats are very necessary for maintaining healthy eco systems. Keep any development away from them.

Devils Hole and NW Open Spaces 3

Please - remove the sporting fields from this area. This is not increasing natural resilience or protecting and managing the natural environment as stated in your 2018 Open Space Masterplan. For the amount of proposed residents taking up occupation on the North West side of Macquarie River, it is more important than ever to have passive eco friendly planning. There appears very little green space for such a huge foreseeable influx of people. Refer back to the 2018 Masterplan (above) longer hotter summers, heatwaves projected loss of local flora and fauna etc. So important to have green space and an enhanced riparian zones for all residents to enjoy nature rather than taking away with the installation of football fields and heat island effect of car parks. There is and continues to be a severe lack of sufficient shade trees around our current sporting fields. I would argue our City is not walkable in Summer. The lack of tree canopy is significant. A pedestrian and cyclist bridge is a necessity linking the north west precinct and creating a walkable and cycling loop for the whole community.

NW Precinct 4

The Riparian zone is so unique to our City. It should be returned to its natural state to allow for biodiversity and tourism opportunities, making our City more liveable for its residents and perhaps attracting more residents because of it offering an attractive and liveable lifestyle.

Sporting fields can be built anywhere. Once we lose the uniqueness of our Riparian Zone it has gone forever. Dubbo has enough representation of sporting fields along the Macquarie River. Time to develop a unique sporting hub purpose built eg Mudgee and Orange off our River foreshores.

In summary, when looking from above down onto the Macquarie River, one can see how boxed in it is becoming due to competing demands being placed on this very important ecosystem. The Macquarie River and its riparian zone is so unique to our City. We should be capitalising on it and not abusing it by putting football fields and car parks on the foreshore for the sake of monetary saving. Also, on the North Western side there appears very narrow opportunity for cycling walking tracks. Perhaps this

needs expanding to create more of a buffer zone from housing and the competing interests of the natural environment alongside the river.

The future gain in tourism and building a cooling natural environment and its offsetting benefits would far outweigh the development of football fields car parks and all associated infrastructure which only serves a small number within our community. We have to think of the next 500 years. Proper planning of our river corridor will set our Community up to reap the benefits well into the future, not only environmentally but also for the mental health of our residents. The river will be a place for people to escape to to be amongst nature. Local flora and fauna populations will benefit. We currently have a fantastic volunteer network in Rivercare and Bushcare who have done considerable work for our ecosystem. Football fields and carparks do not fit that bill. The City will continue to grow, a few more football fields on our floodplain will not fill that void which continues to grow.