

Tell us what you think

We would really appreciate your comments about what is proposed. You can have your say by:

Coming to the Open Day

Drop in any time between 1pm and 5pm on Sunday 25 September at the Lake Windemere B-7 School located in the gym at 17 Uraidla Avenue, Salisbury North.

You will be able to view the draft Master Plan and supporting material in more detail as well as talk with members of the project team.

Information shown at the Open Day will also be made available online from Wednesday 7 September.

Completing the enclosed feedback sheet

Return by Monday 10 October, 2011 addressed to:

- The City of Salisbury, 12 James Street, Salisbury SA 5108; or
- lakewindemere@salisbury.sa.gov.au

The survey is also available online at www.salisbury.sa.gov.au

If you require any further clarification or have any questions these can be emailed to lakewindemere@salisbury.sa.gov.au or call Property Services staff on 8406 8537.

Next steps

Community views will be reported back to Council in November with a formal report to either the November or December 2011 Council meeting.

Assuming the draft Master Plan is approved, further investigations will be undertaken to enable detailed plans to be developed.

In order to construct the section of the proposed road and housing, Council will need to revoke the community land classification of portions of the Lake Windemere Reserve in accordance with the Local Government Act 1999.

Please see the details of which have been included separately in this information pack.



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Improving Lake Windemere Reserve

The City of Salisbury is keen to get your views on a draft Master Plan to improve the Lake Windemere Reserve and the adjacent Salisbury North Community Centre site on Hissar Avenue, Salisbury North.

As many local residents are aware, the Salisbury North Community Centre is an aging facility and has a long history of being under-utilised – largely because it is not easily visible, well serviced by public transport or co-located with other facilities. For these reasons it was identified that the centre was not meeting Council's strategic objectives on the delivery of services for the area. A review was undertaken by Council and a report prepared in 2007 on community services in the north west sector. It identified that community centres such as Morella, Bagster and Burton were adequately providing the required services to the north west sector of the City.

Council has investigated a number of alternative ways to use the site – including various proposals by the State Government, an Early Childhood Development Centre or a Disability Education Centre – however none of these have come to fruition.

Taking all of these issues into consideration Council subsequently endorsed a recommendation to divest itself of the ownership of the Salisbury North Community Centre parcel of land, as well as looking at the adjacent Lake Windemere reserve.

A project team was formed to look at the Salisbury North Community Centre and the Lake Windemere reserve holistically and a Master Plan prepared. As part of the Master Plan for both of the sites Council decided to explore opportunities for residential development.

If the proposed residential development is approved, funds generated from the sale of the Salisbury North Community Centre site and a small section of the reserve will be used to significantly improve the attractiveness and safety of the Lake Windemere Reserve.

What's Proposed - Reserve Development

The draft Master Plan is shown over the page. This highlights proposed improvements to:

- The lake - to make it safer & increase its holding capacity
- Recreational facilities - including a new playground, shade structures and BBQ facilities
- Visibility and safety - by removing the mounds and upgrading lighting
- Access - by sealing pathways and improving signage
- Vegetation and biodiversity - retaining nearly all of the existing trees and planting new trees

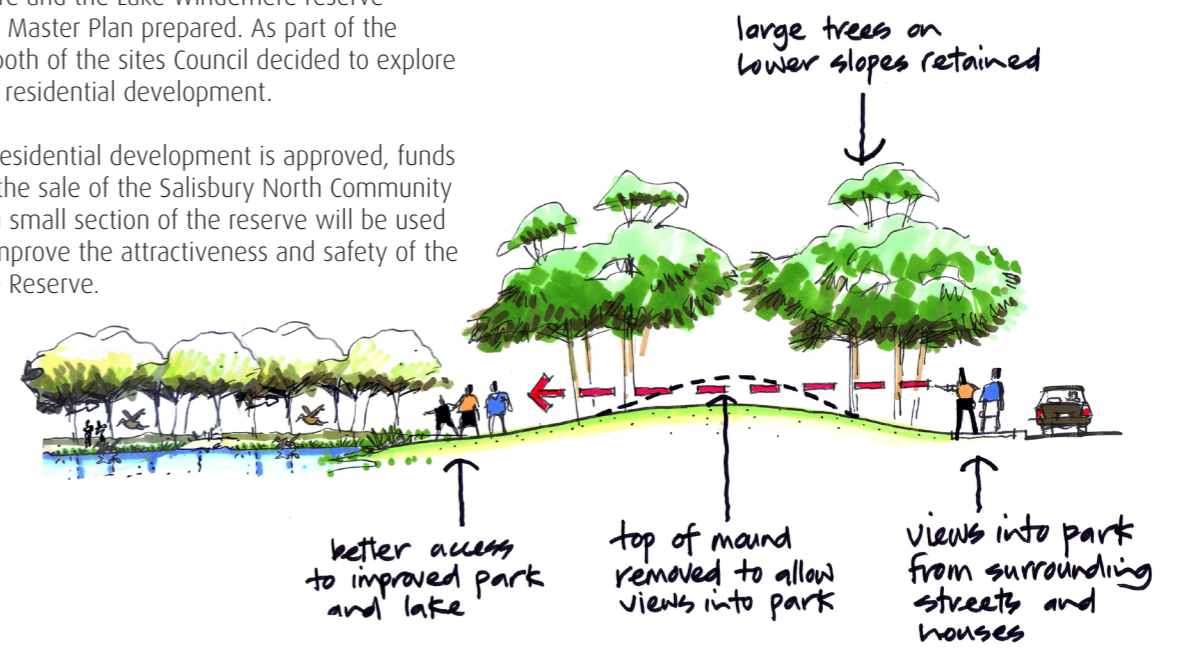
Council is also seeking your feedback about carparking and other facilities such as an enclosed picnic shelter and public toilets.

Quality New Housing

The proposal includes new housing overlooking the park and lake. This is located on the site of the existing community centre and car park, as well as along the school boundary.

There are approximately 30 new allotments planned and these could be developed as either townhouses or a mix of one to two storey dwellings.

The proposed new road will provide a safer route for children walking to the Lake Windemere B-7 School.



Draft Master Plan



WHAT'S PROPOSED?

Quality New Housing

- Build new park front town housing. New housing will provide increased surveillance of the park.

Lake

- (A) Increase the holding capacity of the lake by removing the island and modifying lake edges
- (B) Build a new timber deck viewing platform
- Increase planting of reeds and sedges to improve water quality and biodiversity
- Reinforce the lake banks with rocks to improve safety and reduce erosion
- Retain existing stormwater outlets

Access and Visibility

- Improve visibility and safety by removing the top 1-2 metres of existing mounds. This still enables larger trees on lower slopes of mound to be retained
- Improve access and circulation by sealing existing paths and creating new sealed path links
- Potential for lighting along main pathway and entrance points
- Improve signage at main entry points
- Build a new road to access new housing. This will also increase public access and improve surveillance of reserve
- Opportunity to include new indented visitor carparking

Recreation Facilities

- Upgrade the existing playspace
- Build three new shelters with picnic facilities
- Add new bench seating
- Opportunity to include an interpretive trail with signage/art elements

Vegetation

- Retain most of the existing trees
- Remove some existing trees
- Plant new trees
- Retain irrigated grass around lake
- Create dryland grass area
- Create new attractive low-level native planting areas