

Gordonvale Sport and Recreation Master Plan (draft)

ROSS Planning was commissioned by Cairns Regional Council to develop a master plan to consider current and future sporting needs for Gordonvale and the broader southern catchment area.

Maintaining a current master plan is a key requirement to guide facility development (to avoid ad hoc and piecemeal progress) and can be a key resource in assisting to attract funding.

A master plan provides a vision for a site, identifying what it should look like and how it should function into the future. It establishes a strong and consistent direction by providing a framework for ongoing improvement. It considers the interrelationship between

- current character and functionality of the landscape
- public expectations and needs
- emerging issues and trends
- the realities of the economic, social, environmental, and legislative context of the time.

The Gordonvale Sport and Recreation Precinct draft Master Plan has been developed by considering all consultation, appropriate strategic contexts and previous research.

The draft Gordonvale Sport and Recreation Precinct Master Plan provides an achievable strategic plan to meet the current and future sport needs of Gordonvale, as well as provide opportunities for people living in nearby communities. The Plan responds to projected population growth, the expressed needs of user groups, as well as other key stakeholders, and sets out a plan to ensure future development meets the growing community's need for appropriate sport facilities.

The Gordonvale Sport and Recreation Precinct draft Master Plan can be found on the following pages.



Vision

The Gordonvale Sport and Recreation Precinct will provide a district quality multi-sports facility that offers a range of opportunities for residents and visitors to connect with one another.

Guiding Principles

Adaptable

Precinct facilities will allow use of rectangular fields by a range of sports and activities for training, competition, community, and social physical activities for the benefit of residents and visitors.

Sustainable

Precinct facilities will be developed to ensure they can be maintained at required standards for community safety and value for money.

Quality

Precinct facilities will be designed to a standard that encourages the community to value the Precinct facilities and with consideration of the resource limitations of both Council and the community.

Accessible and connected

Access to the Precinct and its facilities will be facilitated by appropriate walking, cycling and vehicle infrastructure.

Natural shade

Planting of shade trees throughout the Precinct will be integrated into detailed planning and design for individual projects identified in this master plan.



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Artwork images are artists impressions only and are not to be relied upon as a definitive reference.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Primary Precinct entry/exit (with signage) 2 Secondary Precinct entry/exit (with signage) 3 Lit playing field #2 - extended and realigned (rugby league and touch) 4 Lit playing field #4 (rugby league and touch) 5 Formal car parking (additional 127 spaces) including adjacent to Judo Hall 6 Internal connecting pedestrian pathways; fencing to control game day access Construct 7 new grandstand on existing footprint 8 Judo Hall retained and refurbished to include toilet/change amenities and shelter for spectators 9 Gordonvale Aquatic Centre (subject to separate investigations by Council) 10 Footprint for potential 'Leisure Facility' expansion 11 Six (6) tennis courts 12 Tennis clubhouse 13 Hockey clubhouse incorporating amenities, change rooms, canteen, offices and viewing areas 14 Synthetic hockey (and football (soccer)) field 15 Grass hockey field | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 16 Three football (soccer) fields 17 Formal car park (approx. 409 spaces) 18 Football (soccer) clubhouse incorporating amenities, change rooms, canteen, offices and viewing areas 19 Pathway under the overpass providing pedestrian connection either side of overpass 20 Existing forest golf course retained 21 Existing golf course internal to race track retained 22 Pedestrian and golf cart bridges replaced when upgrade to drainage line occurs 23 Existing race track retained 24 New golf clubhouse and buggy/kart storage (<i>lessee responsibility</i>) 25 Reconfigured formal car park (30 spaces) including entry and exit (<i>lessee responsibility</i>) 26 Formal car park (7 spaces) and defined internal vehicle route (<i>lessee responsibility</i>) 27 Retained storage shed to be used by Turf Club (formerly rugby league) 28 Relocated / new day yards (<i>lessee responsibility</i>) 29 Informal overflow parking area 30 New amenities to replace existing (<i>lessee responsibility</i>) 31 Pedestrian overpass providing safe walk and cycle access across the Highway |
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Staged implementation

It is important to note that realising this Master Plan will require resource commitment from both Council and the user groups. Additionally, State and Federal Government grants will be sought to assist fund the infrastructure items.

Adopting the Master Plan does not commit Council to fully fund each project. The expected cost of the development of the Master Plan is likely to be beyond the Council's and the community's ability to realise in the short-term. Thus, this section provides a staged approach to implementation. The information provided is designed as a flexible guide—changes in user group priorities or earlier opportunities for funding may alter staging.

Initial

- Geotechnical investigation at location of new and extended fields at Alley Park, and at undeveloped section of Precinct
- Detailed design of new fields at Alley Park and undeveloped section of Precinct.

Stage 1

1&2	Develop branding material and install name, directional and wayfinding signage at the primary and secondary entries to the Precinct, and at key pedestrian locations
3	Expand the modified rectangular field at Alley Park to full-size including lighting. Investigate field drainage and lighting requirements (lighting levels and location of lighting columns) at the existing full-size field at the same time to achieve economies of scale, where possible. Demolish part of the old junior rugby league clubhouse, retaining the concrete block building for judo. Temporary toilets (portable building) may be required initially
5 & 6	Develop formal car parking, pathway connections and landscaping including shade trees
8	Refurbish existing concrete block building for judo including construction of new amenities and change facilities, and shade for spectators
4	Develop a full-size rectangular field including lighting at the location between the existing field and the high school (to the west of the clubhouse and grandstand)
11	Design and construct new fully lit tennis courts including hot shot courts (using blended lines). Temporary toilets (portable building) may be required initially
12	Construct tennis clubhouse
17	Design and construct part of the car park to provide appropriate access to the tennis courts

Stage 2

28	Relocate day yards and upgrade to relevant standards as required
30	Demolish old and construct new amenities at Turf Club
24	Redevelop the Golf Club facilities including construction of new clubhouse and kart/buggy storage
25	Construct Golf Club car parking to improve circulation and capacity
26	Construct formal car park and defined internal vehicle route near Turf Club buildings
22	Replace pedestrian bridges across open stormwater drain when upgrade to drain occurs
16	Develop 3 football fields at the new part of Precinct
18	Construct football clubhouse incorporating amenities, change rooms, canteen, offices and viewing areas
17	Construct the southern most part of the car park parallel with the football facilities
19	Construct internal connecting pathways
1&2	Review signage across site and install additional and revised signage to ensure it is current across the Precinct

Stage 3

14	Construct synthetic hockey (and football) field
13	Construct hockey clubhouse
15	Develop grass hockey field
17	Construct remaining car parking to support hockey facilities
1&2	Review signage across site and install additional and revised signage to ensure it is current across the Precinct
7	Construct new grandstand at Alley Park on existing footprint