
From: ConservatorFloraFauna
Sent: Monday, 13 November 2023 4:37 PM
To: Koch, Richard; Orgill, Oliver
Cc: Glennon, Chris; Watts, Michaela; Cotsell, Peter
Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

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Thanks Kochie,

Yep I'm with you on the inconsistency with the reserve overlay. TCCS are aware that a TPV will be required. Locking down the boundary is the first step to allow the Conservator to formally recommend that to the TP team.

@Orgill, Oliver could you please provide PCS thoughts on the boundaries so we can progress this along?

Thanks,

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From: Koch, Richard
Sent: Monday, November 13, 2023 8:15 AM
To: ConservatorFloraFauna ; Orgill, Oliver
Cc: Glennon, Chris ; Watts, Michaela ; Cotsell, Peter
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Hi Eliza

I've been away but they've been a couple of emails from this chap Richmond in my absence. You or Ollie may wish to respond.

The extent he's provided (attached plan) seems fine, however, I'd still recommend TCCS takes on the larger area previously identified, which includes the area he's provided.

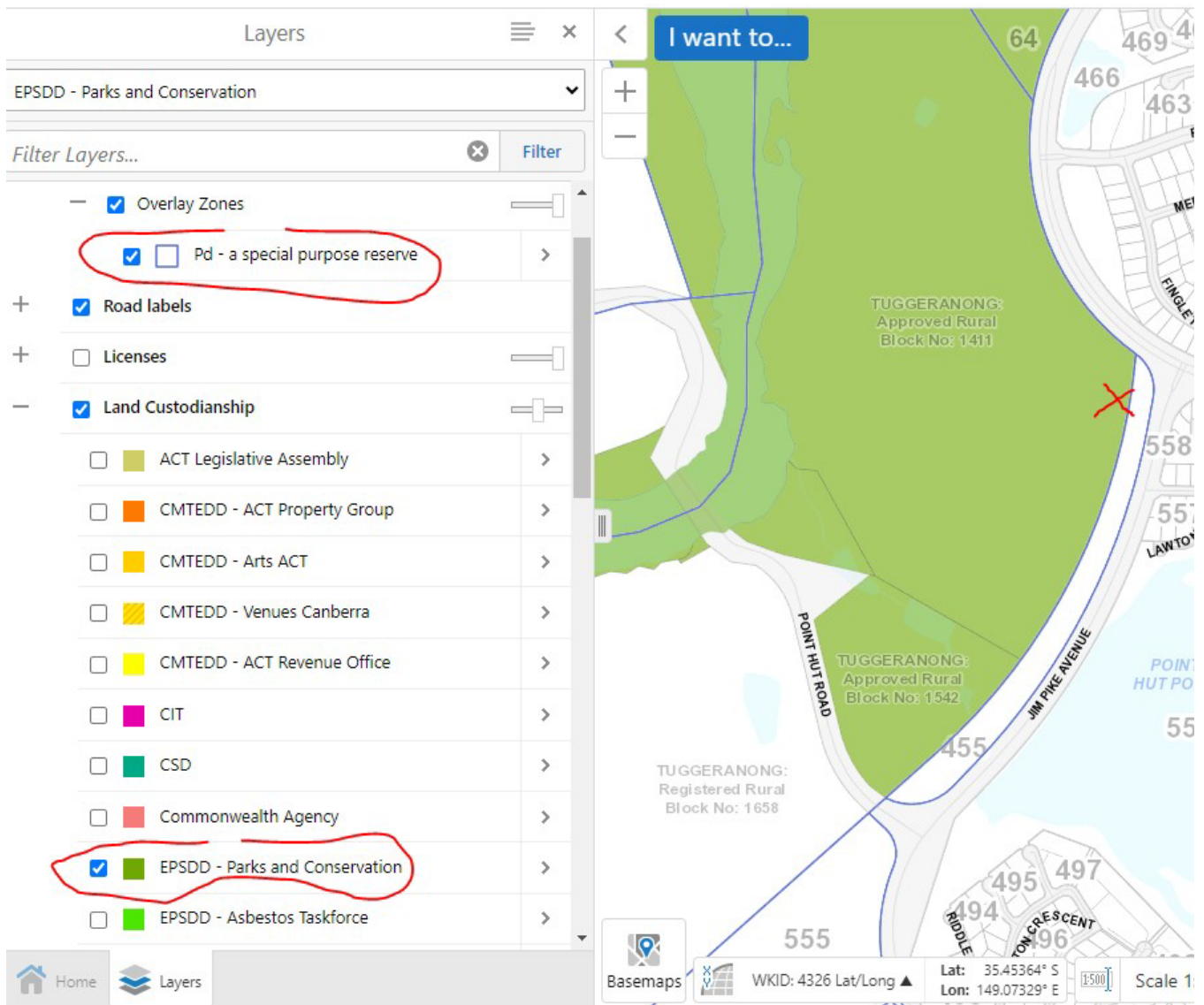
Currently, both these areas are:

- part of a reserve under the NC Act – by virtue of s 169(1)(b) – and
- all/mostly in PCS custodianship

I'd suggest reserve status is inconsistent in several ways with the proposed development. Dogs are prohibited there (although local signage is inconsistent with relevant AD). The intended area should really have its reserve status revoked and be moved to TCCS custodianship. A territory plan variation would need to change the intended area from special purpose reserve, to public unleased land only – which TCCS could arrange.

Legislation includes

- [Nature Conservation Regulation 2015](#) (sch 1, div 1.2.11)
- [Nature Conservation \(Pine Island and Point Hut Crossing Reserves\) Activities Declaration 2015 \(No 1\)](#)



Regards

Richard Koch
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Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

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Hi All,

I still have not had any reply to my previous email. Any comments would be beneficial.

Regards

From: Henty, Richmond
Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2023 1:47 PM
To: Glennon, Chris <Chris.Glennon@act.gov.au>
Subject: FW: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

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Hi Chris,

I am send this to you as I was previously speaking with Richard K.
Your thoughts would be appreciated.
Give me a call if are not across any of the issues with the proposed dog park.

Regards

From: Henty, Richmond
Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2023 1:44 PM
To: Orgill, Oliver <Oliver.Orgill@act.gov.au>; Koch, Richard <Richard.Koch@act.gov.au>; Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>
Cc: Cotsell, Peter <Peter.Cotsell@act.gov.au>; Larson, Eliza <Eliza.Larson@act.gov.au>
Subject: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

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Hi All,
Attached is the proposed extent of land to be used for the Proposed Lanyon Dog Park.

What are your thoughts.

Regards

Richmond Henty

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From: Clement, SophieJ
Sent: Thursday, 17 August 2023 2:07 PM
To: Larson, Eliza
Cc: Henty, Richmond; Hauzer, Angela
Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Hi Eliza, thanks for the quick chat to clarify where this one is sitting.

Richmond/ Eliza - confirming the understanding that the following steps are where things are currently and agreed actions:

- The issue of the Nature Conservation Act (NCA) and the Domestic Animals Act (DAA) crossing over is a separate issue to this project which this project cannot resolve.
- TCCS will advise the area which they agree to take on management of – noting Richard Koch’s recommended area in the map below
- TCCS will submit an ESO for undertaking works to deliver the Dog Park – which will need to be supported by PCS as the land custodian (PCS have indicated support for this) (and assuming this hasn’t already been done?)
- Concurrently TCCS will work with PCS to transfer Land Custodianship to TCCS
- Concurrently TCCS will work Conservator’s office to undertake TPV to remove the nature reserve overlay from this area
- TCCS can decide to proceed with a construction tender while these processes are underway if we are comfortable with the risk around approval of ESO coming whilst tender process is underway

Richmond/ Ange – this should provide confidence the design to be finalised and construction tender to be released while the above planning aspects are progressed and finalised.

Thanks,
Sophie

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Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Hi Richmond,

I can confirm that the below and attached area in blue is the area we propose to excise from the nature reserve and transfer to TCCS. This would also provide TCCS with the opportunity to have a dog walking area next to the dog park.

Some requirements to note:

- The existing Bicentennial trail must not be impacted, with at least a 6m setback between the existing fence and any dog park infrastructure
- Fencing the eastern side of the trail would be useful to demarcate TCCS/PCS land boundary
- The current informal dog area within the reserve must be remediated (we can provide further info on this), with signage to make clear that dogs are not permitted.

Please let me know whether the proposed area is suitable for the park and any required utilities/access etc. and if you have any other comments. Once we're all on the same page I will seek some advice in terms of next steps and timeframes.

Kind regards,

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From: Koch, Richard <Richard.Koch@act.gov.au>

Sent: Tuesday, 16 May 2023 7:04 PM

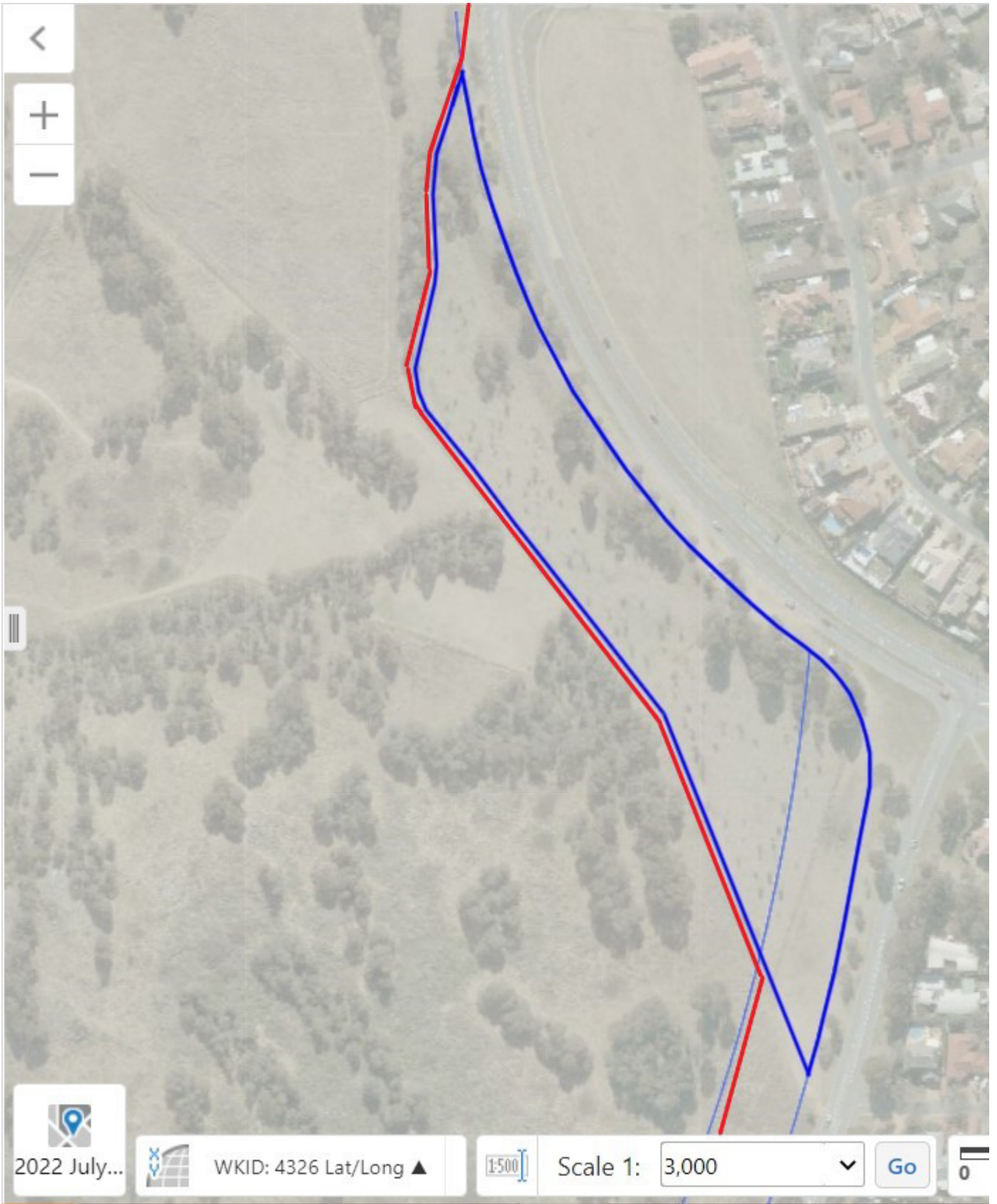
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Rough rendition. Red is National Trail. Blue is proposed reserve excision and TCCS custodianship. Allows for vehicle width at least, along trail. Follows actual trail location on the ground rather than mapped version, which is incorrect at northern end. Gates either end are within PCS-retained (Trail) area. Trail may ultimately require fencing (by TCCS) on its eastern side. Eastern edge of blue excision area follows current reserve boundary.

Doesn't address the nearby situation where we have (as at many other sites) a TCCS dog exercise area in a no-dogs PCS reserve, but I think this would be too big an ask, as we're just making changes to allow for this single development.

No guarantee this doesn't impinge on TCCS's existing design – would depend on whether they took the National Trail's existence into account from the outset (which I guess they did).



Regards

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Apologies for the misunderstanding - I thought we'd gone right back to the start !

Yep, that's a good plan Richard .

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If it'll help avoid a meeting I can propose a boundary, which Ollie could potentially okay (for PCS at least). It would leave the (Bicentennial) National Trail in PCS custodianship. It wouldn't be based on any ecological assessment but I've visited and it doesn't look like any substantial values are affected.

Regards

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Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Hi Ollie,

Happy to request a TPV to excise the area, but we first need to determine the boundaries of the area to be excised. That is what we are meeting to discuss.

Cheers,

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Hi All,

Sorry, I'm a little late to this discussion as I've been on leave. I'm not sure that we need to meet.

I thought that we has already come to an agreement on this last year. As land manager we are strongly supportive of this proposal, the construction of a formalised dog park next to the road would facilitate the closure of the ' unofficial' dog park further into the reserve which we currently manage , it's not our core business. In previous discussions it was proposed that for the development in question that the land custodianship be transferred to TCCS and/or be excised from the SPR – I can't recall who was going to action that.

There are no significant environmental values that will be compromised by this change, and it is absolutely the preferred outcome for us.

Thanks

Ollie

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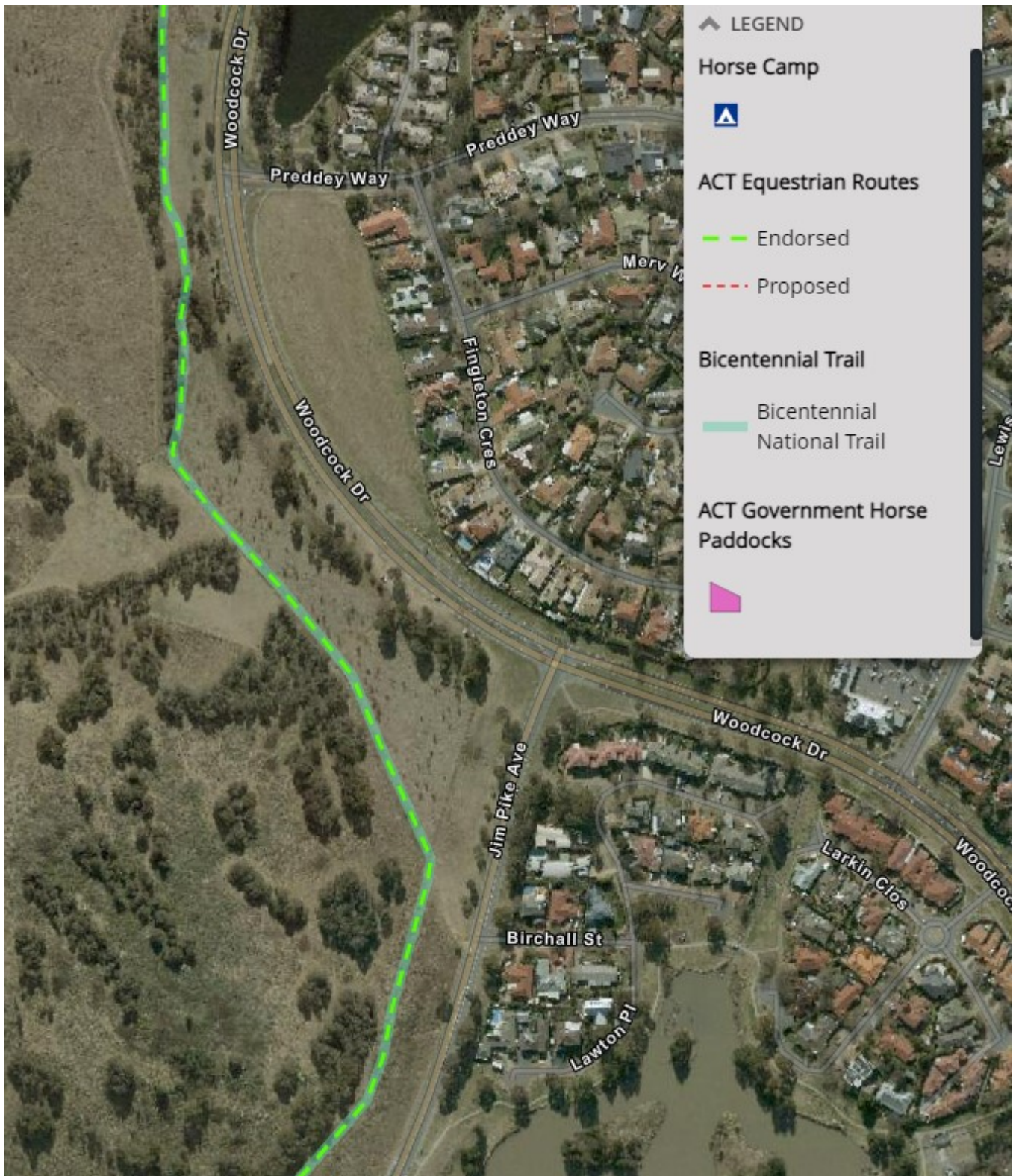
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Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Relevant to Thur meeting.



Regards

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Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

So I now understand,
But this is what people are being told.

Dog Exercise Areas

The map describes off leash, conditional, prohibited and on leash areas for dogs. For more information see [recreation with my dog](#). Dogs must be kept on a leash on public land in the ACT unless otherwise indicated.

Dog Exercise Areas

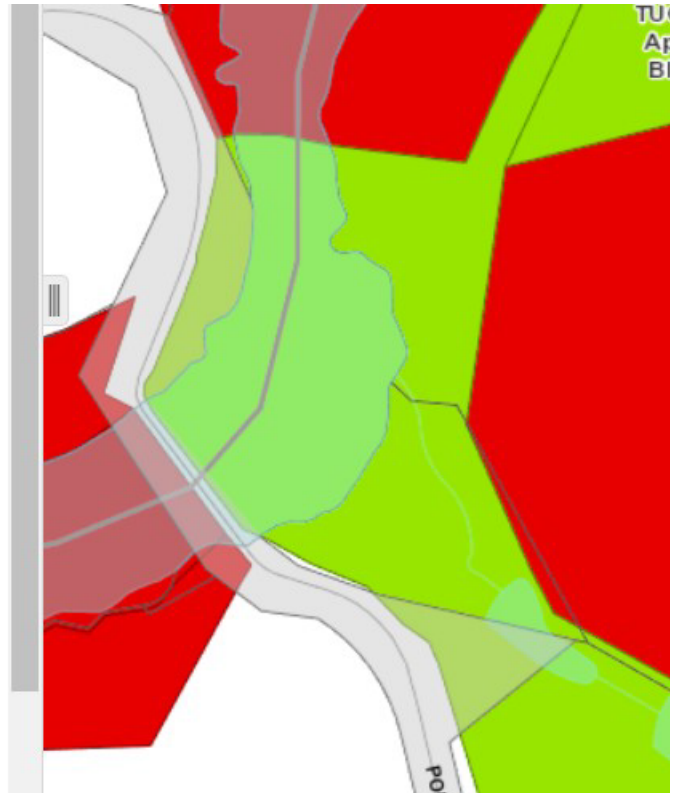
- Off Leash
- Conditional
- Prohibited
- Dogs On Leash (no colour)

Off Leash

Dogs are allowed off-leash in these areas but are still required to be under effective control at all times.

Conditional

Dogs can be off-leash in these areas as long as they meet the



Regards

Richmond Henty

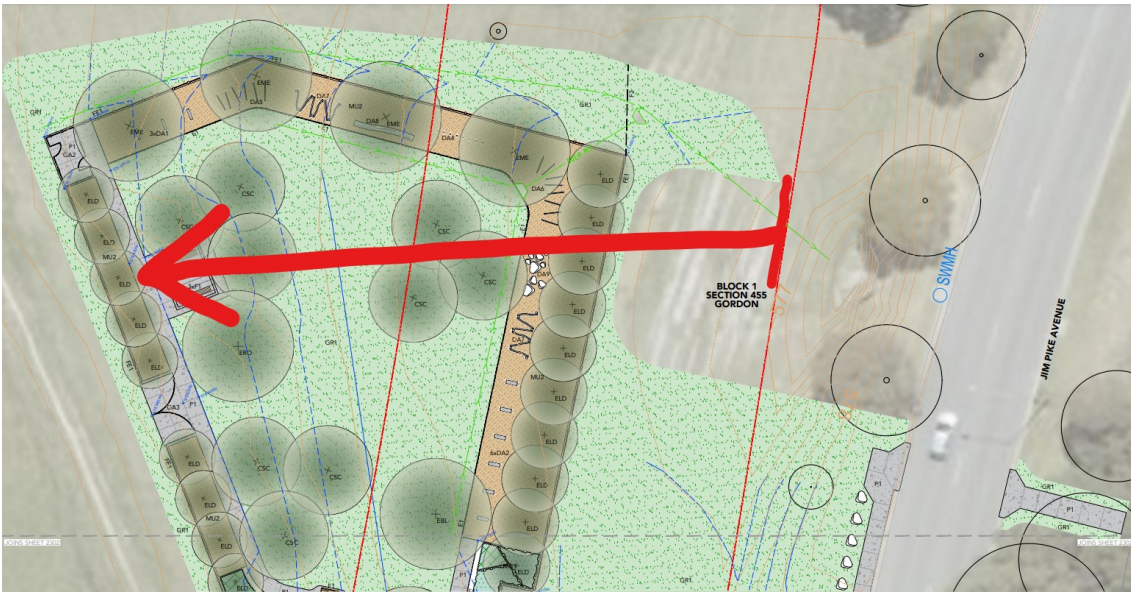
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Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Hi Richmond

The area protected as a reserve under the *Nature Conservation Act* currently extends as shown by the red arrow below.



Regards

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A little more detail for you all

Regards

Richmond Henty

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Subject: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

When: Tuesday, 16 May 2023 3:00 PM-4:00 PM (UTC+10:00) Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney.

Where: Microsoft Teams Meeting

Hi all,

Meeting to discuss the proposed Lanyon Dog Park – cnr Jim Pike Avenue and Woodcock Drive, Gordon.

The proposed park is within a Special Purpose Reserve, and both activities declarations for the reserve prohibit dogs in the reserve.

A possible way forward is to excise the area from the nature reserve, which would require a Territory Plan Variation and a custodianship transfer.

PCS - Please have a think about what area might be appropriate to remove from the reserve, considering values etc.

Richmond – Please have a think about the total area required by the park including for access/fencing etc. I have put a snip below from the Yoursay website, but if you have any more recent plans this would be very useful.



KEY

- A** Proposed gravel carpark 11 spaces
- B** Dog park entry with signage, bike rails and bin
- C** Airlock style entry to dog park
- D** Emergency / maintenance access
- E** Area for dog training marquee or coffee van on weekends
- F** Accessible gravel loop path
- G** Small picnic shelter, seating and drinking fountain
- H** Dog agility area with formal and nature play style elements
- I** Non irrigated grass ball / frisbee play area
- J** Native trees to help achieve canopy cover
- K** 1.8m high black chainlink fencing with compacted gravel maintenance
- L** Swale to low point of site with rock edge
- M** Boulders placed to limit vehicle disturbance
- N** Bicentennial trail ranger gate relocated
- O** Connection path to existing off leash dog park
- P** Tree buffer to bicentennial trail

The proposed design includes:

- 3630m2 fenced dog park
- two airlock style entrance gates
- bike rail, bin and signage at entrance
- accessible gravel loop path
- small picnic shelter, seating and drinking fountain
- grass play area
- dog agility area
- area for dog training marquee or coffee van
- native trees for canopy cover
- 1.8 metre high black chain link fence
- crushed granite car park.

Thanks,

Eliza Larson

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From: Terrplan
Sent: Monday, 15 July 2024 2:38 PM
To: Thompson, Chris; Collier, Peter
Subject: FOR ACTION PLEASE FW: Lanyon Dog Park
Attachments: Evidence of support of initiative.pdf

Importance: High

OFFICIAL

Hi both,

It looks like the public land overlay may need to be lifted and/or changed for the site of the proposed Lanyon Dog Park. Can you please action with advice back to Brooke?

Thanks
Caroline

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Please advise.

Kind Regards,

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Sent: Tuesday, 16 July 2024 12:08 PM
To: Toovey, Brooke
Cc: Terrplan; Taylor, Karen; Malmberg, Finnian; EPD Impact
Subject: RE: FOR ACTION PLEASE FW: Lanyon Dog Park

Hi Brooke

Thank you for your enquiry.

The Territory Plan Team is unable to advise as to whether an ESO is required regarding the use of the site for a dog park. Please check with Karen Taylor (Conservator Liaison) about the ESO.

A minor amendment to the Territory Plan can be made to change the special purpose reserve overlay so that it doesn't apply to the proposed dog park. A request from the Conservator to the Territory Plan Team is required to begin the amendment process. This type of amendment does not require public consultation. It can take approximately 6 weeks for completion of this type of amendment.

Regards
Chris

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Subject: RE: Lanyon Dog Park
Attachments: Territory Plan Variation request from Conservator - Kinlyside

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Hi Karen

Rezoning the area from NUZ4 to PRZ1 would require a major amendment. However, the proposed dog park might be considered as a minor use, which is permitted in NUZ4.

Minor use is defined in the Territory Plan Dictionary as: *the use of land for a purpose that is incidental to the use and development of land in the zone and includes but is not limited to open space; public car parking; community path systems; shared circulation spaces (such as lift wells, stair wells); minor service reticulation; other utility services that do not exclude other uses from the land; street furniture and the like.*

There may need to be a transfer of land custodianship from PCS to TCCS.

The special purpose overlay can be adjusted by a minor amendment following a request from the Conservator.

Attached is an example of a request from the Conservator for amending an overlay.

Chris

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Subject: FW: Lanyon Dog Park

Good morning team!

We're looking at recommending a portion of TUGGERANONG Block 1411 be rezoned to remove the Special Purpose reserve overlay and rezone to PRZ, or a zone that allows the land use of a Dog Park. Can you please let me know if this is a minor or major amendment and therefore what is required from our end to commence this process? Happy to have a chat if that's easier!

Thanks!

Karen Taylor

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<Karen.Taylor@act.gov.au>

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Hi Eliza,

Thank you for your speedy response!

Please see attached the official survey to commence the TPV process.

Please let me know if anything else required to keep this moving along.

Thank you!

Kind Regards,

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Kind regards,

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From: Pidgeon, Caitlin
Sent: Tuesday, 13 June 2023 12:51 PM
To: Henderson, Adam
Subject: FW: Amending boundary of Territory Plan overlay

OFFICIAL

From: Kaucz, Alix <Alix.Kaucz@act.gov.au>
Sent: Thursday, 25 November 2021 4:32 PM
To: Overall, James <James.Overall@act.gov.au>
Cc: Cotsell, Peter <Peter.Cotsell@act.gov.au>; Pidgeon, Caitlin <Caitlin.Pidgeon@act.gov.au>; Henderson, Adam <Adam.Henderson@act.gov.au>; Roach, Adam <Adam.Roach@act.gov.au>; Terrplan <Terrplan@act.gov.au>; Darke, Rachel <Rachel.Darke@act.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Amending boundary of Territory Plan overlay

OFFICIAL

Hi James

As discussed on the phone, the *Planning and Development Act 2007* contains provisions for technical amendments to the Territory Plan. The technical amendment that would be appropriate in this situation is under Section 90A – Rezoning – boundary changes (which includes overlay boundaries):

- (1) This section applies to a zone or overlay in relation to land if the land adjoins unleased territory land or land for which the Territory is the registered proprietor (the ***adjoining territory land***).
- (2) The planning and land authority may vary the **territory plan** under section 89 (Making technical amendments) to change the boundary of the zone or overlay to encroach onto the adjoining territory land if the change is consistent with—
 - (a) the apparent intent of the original boundary line; and
 - (b) the objective for the zone.
- (3) The planning and land authority may vary the **territory plan** under section 89 to change the boundary of an overlay to encroach onto the adjoining territory land if—
 - (a) the authority is advised to do so by—
 - (i) the conservator of flora and fauna; or
 - (ii) the custodian of the land for the overlay; and
 - (b) the conditions in subsection (2) (a) and (b) are satisfied.
- (4) In this section:

overlay means an overlay identified in the **territory plan**.

Note An overlay is a map that identifies particular land, such as public land, to which certain rules apply.

The key consideration would be demonstrating that the change to the overlay boundary for the Bimberi Wilderness area is consistent with the apparent intent of the original boundary line. From our discussion on Tuesday and your notes below, I understand the Bimberi Wilderness area to be an area that does not contain public infrastructure

such as paths and viewing areas and it is not intended that it does. Amending the overlay boundary to exclude the proposed approach path would be consistent with the intent of the original boundary line.

A technical amendment under s90A does not require public consultation. Depending on the availability of appropriate details to enabling the maps to be amended, once the letter is received from the land custodian the process usually takes 1-3 weeks depending on the time required for clearances, approval and lodging on the Legislation Register.

I trust this information is of assistance. Please feel free to contact me if you need any further detail or clarification.

Kind regards

Alix

Alix Kaucz | Senior Director, Territory Plan

Phone 02 6205 0864

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From: Overall, James <James.Overall@act.gov.au>

Sent: Wednesday, 24 November 2021 4:22 PM

To: Kaucz, Alix <Alix.Kaucz@act.gov.au>

Cc: Cotsell, Peter <Peter.Cotsell@act.gov.au>; Pidgeon, Caitlin <Caitlin.Pidgeon@act.gov.au>; Henderson, Adam <Adam.Henderson@act.gov.au>; Roach, Adam <Adam.Roach@act.gov.au>

Subject: Amending boundary of Territory Plan overlay

OFFICIAL

Hi Alix,

Thanks for the chat yesterday about the scope for, and process to amend, the boundaries of a Territory Plan overlay.

As discussed, we would appreciate formal clarity on the option available to us including process and indicative timeframes to amend a small part (a few hectares at most) of the Bimberi Wilderness to excise the Yankee Hat Artsite area. The basis for this would be to effectively allow the construction of a new approach walking trail to the site which is currently not permitted under section 223 of the *Nature Conservation Act* in the Bimberi Wilderness. Excising this area (should it be supported) would thereby permit construction of the trail once relevant approvals have been obtained. There has been broad consultation and support from Registered Aboriginal Organisations for a new loop trail over many years but the legality of doing so was unlikely to have been explored until now.

Assuming there is support to request a boundary change and that the area will still remain within Namadgi National Park with all of its protections, we understand that the custodian would have to write to the Planning and Land Authority (as per Part 10.2 of the Planning and Development Act) to request a reduction and alteration of the Wilderness area. We understand this would require a technical amendment to the Territory Plan.

Can you confirm this is possible as discussed, whether any public consultation is required (noting we would have already sought endorsement from relevant stakeholders), and an approximate timeframe once the letter has been received?

Any other advice you have would be welcome as this is not a standard activity for us and there are a number of consultative and internal approvals still to navigate.

Cheers,

James Overall

Program Manager – Infrastructure Recovery

Namadgi National Park

ACT Parks and Conservation Service |

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From: ConservatorFloraFauna
Sent: Thursday, 1 August 2024 11:58 AM
To: Thompson, Chris; Moser, Sonya
Cc: ConservatorFloraFauna
Subject: FW: Lanyon Dog Park
Attachments: s.314 Territory Plan Variation request from Conservator template.obr; s.314 Territory Plan Variation request from Conservator template.doc

Importance: High

Hi Chris and Sonya,

We are seeking to remove the special purpose overlay from a block in Tuggeranong, as per the below email chain. As this will be the first Territory Plan Variation we have done under the new Planning Act, are you able to provide an update letter template or suggested wording changes? Separately, are you able to provide any guidance on transferring land custodianship from PCS to TCCS?

Many thanks in advance for your help,
Alex

Alex Santiago

Conservation Officer | Office of the Conservator of Flora and Fauna

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From: ConservatorFloraFauna
Sent: Thursday, August 1, 2024 10:23 AM
To: Santiago, Alex
Cc: Coghill, Stacey
Subject: FW: Lanyon Dog Park
Importance: High

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Hi team!

Alex, are you able to take lead on this one and Stacey can you help him with the process as needed? We're going to remove the special purpose overlay from TUGERANONG Block 1411, in line with the attached survey, supplied by Brooke Toovey (Project officer from TCCS). Attached is a copy of the last one we did for Kinlyside to get the vibe for what we're doing.

I've attached the objective file where this stuff should be saved. There is a template letter in the file for the Territory Plan Variation but this is the first one we've done under the new Planning Act so the wording will need to be updated to reflect the new Act. Can you please make contact with Chris Thompson or Sonya Moser to see if they have an updated template we can use, or suggestion of wording? We also need ask about changing custodianship of the land from PCS to TCCS. If you do a search for 'Lanyon Dog Park' in the inbox you'll find this has been an ongoing conversation for nearly a year, and you'll see support from PCS to transfer custodianship of the land.

There is relative urgency around this one as they would like to announce this dog park before caretaker so if you're able to get moving on this one quickly, that would be amazing!

Thanks,

Karen Taylor

A/g Conservator Liaison

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Subject: RE: Lanyon Dog Park

OFFICIAL

Hi Karen

Rezoning the area from NUZ4 to PRZ1 would require a major amendment. However, the proposed dog park might be considered as a minor use, which is permitted in NUZ4.

Minor use is defined in the Territory Plan Dictionary as: *the use of land for a purpose that is incidental to the use and development of land in the zone and includes but is not limited to open space; public car parking; community path systems; shared circulation spaces (such as lift wells, stair wells); minor service reticulation; other utility services that do not exclude other uses from the land; street furniture and the like.*

There may need to be a transfer of land custodianship from PCS to TCCS.

The special purpose overlay can be adjusted by a minor amendment following a request from the Conservator.

Attached is an example of a request from the Conservator for amending an overlay.

Chris

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From: ConservatorFloraFauna

Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2024 1:47 PM

To: Terrplan <Terrplan@act.gov.au>

Subject: FW: Lanyon Dog Park

Good morning team!

We're looking at recommending a portion of TUGGERANONG Block 1411 be rezoned to remove the Special Purpose reserve overlay and rezone to PRZ, or a zone that allows the land use of a Dog Park. Can you please let me know if this is a minor or major amendment and therefore what is required from our end to commence this process? Happy to have a chat if that's easier!

Thanks!

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Hi Eliza,

Thank you for your speedy response!

Please see attached the official survey to commence the TPV process.

Please let me know if anything else required to keep this moving along.

Thank you!

Kind Regards,

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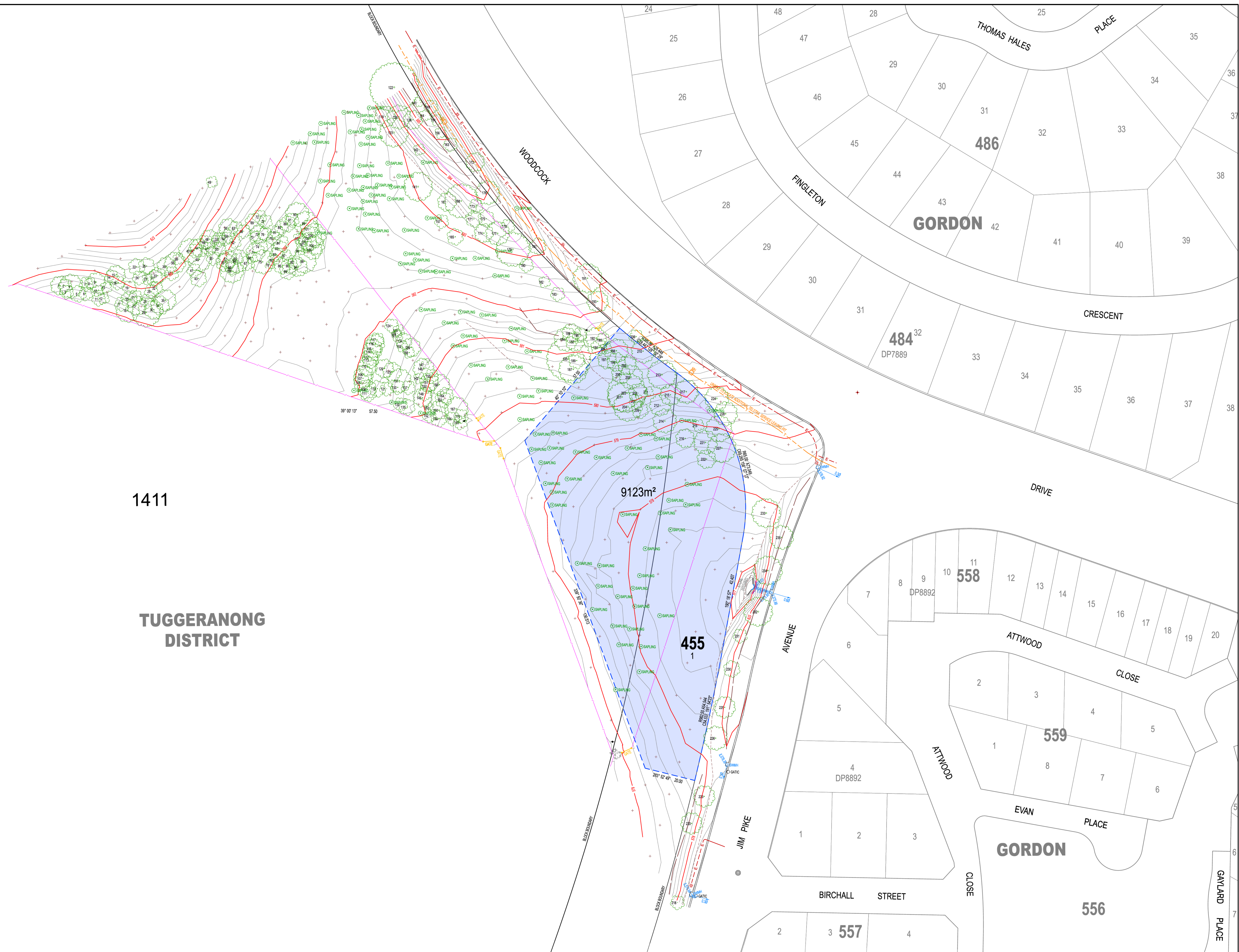
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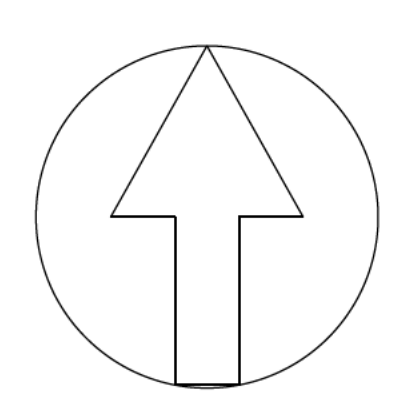
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C	ADDED TPV EXTENT LAYER & DIMENSIONED	13-06-2024
D	CONVERT SURVEY TO GDA2020 COORDINATES	23-07-2024

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From: Gell, Chris
Sent: Monday, 5 August 2024 12:38 PM
To: Toovey, Brooke
Cc: Thompson, Chris; Henty, Richmond
Subject: RE: Lanyon Dog Park

OFFICIAL

Hi Brooke

When the DA is paid for it is considered lodged.

It then will need to go on public notification & entity referral. It takes around 5 days for signage & letters to be sent. Public notification & entity referral is for 15 working days. We aim to do the Territory Plan assessment during that period.

If significant issues are raised by representors, entities or the assessment, we'll sent a further information request. When that is responded to, we'll re-refer it to entities if required for 10 working days. Minor issues are usually addressed through conditions to the decision.

The decision is then drafted & checked through stage 5 & 6. I'd estimate this to take maybe 3 days.

So ... the best outcome where no significant issues are raised, I'd assume 5-6 weeks for a decision. (That's assuming an approval of course!!)

Regards
Chris

From: Toovey, Brooke <Brooke.Toovey@act.gov.au>
Sent: Monday, August 5, 2024 12:05 PM
To: Gell, Chris <Chris.Gell@act.gov.au>
Cc: Thompson, Chris <Chris.Thompson@act.gov.au>; Henty, Richmond <Richmond.Henty@act.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Lanyon Dog Park

OFFICIAL

Hi Chris,

Are you please able to advise indicative timing for DA approval?

The aim is to award a contractor prior to caretaker period and IPS have just reminded me that we cannot do so if we are still awaiting DA approval.

Thank you!

Kind Regards,

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Thanks Brooke!

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Sent: Monday, August 5, 2024 9:21 AM
To: Gell, Chris <Chris.Gell@act.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Lanyon Dog Park

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Hi Chris,

Apologies, my contractor confirmed that MGA2020 is the new coordinate system the ACT Gov uses. And I can confirm that the DWG and PDF were updated to MGA2020.

Thank you

Kind Regards,

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Sent: Monday, August 5, 2024 9:19 AM
To: Toovey, Brooke <Brooke.Toovey@act.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Lanyon Dog Park

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Hi Brooke

I'd put the .dwg format to create the block, but they needed in in 'MGA2020' format – I was just checking that had been done.

Thanks
Chris

From: Toovey, Brooke <Brooke.Toovey@act.gov.au>
Sent: Monday, August 5, 2024 9:03 AM
To: Gell, Chris <Chris.Gell@act.gov.au>
Cc: Thompson, Chris <Chris.Thompson@act.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Lanyon Dog Park

OFFICIAL

Hi Chris,

Not a problem, thank you for the update.

I believe this was uploaded to the DA portal. But have also attached for you here.

Thank you Chris, please let me know if you require anything else.

Kind Regards,

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Cc: Thompson, Chris <Chris.Thompson@act.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Lanyon Dog Park

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Hi Brooke

Sorry – I looked up the DA by block/section rather than the DA number (under the other block – 202443227).

This is still undergoing a completeness check & you'll be sent a fee advice email when it is OK to go.

I was also going to ask you if the surveyor had been able to send the data to the survey team?

Thanks

Chris

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OFFICIAL

Hi Brooke

We have a stage system for DAs, so several people take part in the assessment to ensure probity. I'm unable to say at this stage who will be assessing a DA.

Currently there is a request for an ESO which will be assessed by the Impact team when it is lodged.

I note this passed the completeness check on Friday & Access Canberra was sent a request to send out fee advice.

Regards

Chris

From: Toovey, Brooke <Brooke.Toovey@act.gov.au>

Sent: Friday, August 2, 2024 11:52 AM

To: Gell, Chris <Chris.Gell@act.gov.au>

Cc: Thompson, Chris <Chris.Thompson@act.gov.au>

Subject: Lanyon Dog Park

OFFICIAL

Hi Chris,

Hope you are having a nice day!

Could you please advise who in your team will be assessing the DA for Lanyon Dog Park?

Kind Regards,

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From: Taylor, Karen
Sent: Friday, 9 August 2024 12:48 PM
To: Koch, Richard <Richard.Koch@act.gov.au>
Subject: FYI ONLY: meeting notes - Lanyon Dog Park

Hi Kochie!

Just to keep you in the loop re the Lanyon Dog Park, attached is the meeting notes from the meeting held Wednesday and the next steps. I undertook to have a chat to you (as per my Teams message) to see if there were other reserve overlays that we could change by bundling them up with the Lanyon Dog Park Major Plan Amendment request, noting this is a big process that can take up to 6 months or so.

Happy to chat!

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Sent: Friday, August 9, 2024 11:54 AM

To: Toovey, Brooke <Brooke.Toovey@act.gov.au>; Henty, Richmond <Richmond.Henty@act.gov.au>; Santiago, Alex <Alex.Santiago@act.gov.au>; Taylor, Karen <Karen.Taylor@act.gov.au>; Gell, Chris <Chris.Gell@act.gov.au>

Cc: Kaucz, Alix <Alix.Kaucz@act.gov.au>

Subject: meeting notes - Lanyon Dog Park

Hi All

Please see attached notes of the meeting on Wednesday about the Lanyon Dog Park.

Chris

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Online Teams meeting – Wednesday 7 August 2024 (4pm)

Lanyon Dog Park

Meeting attendees:

Richmond Henty, Brooke Toovey (TCCS)

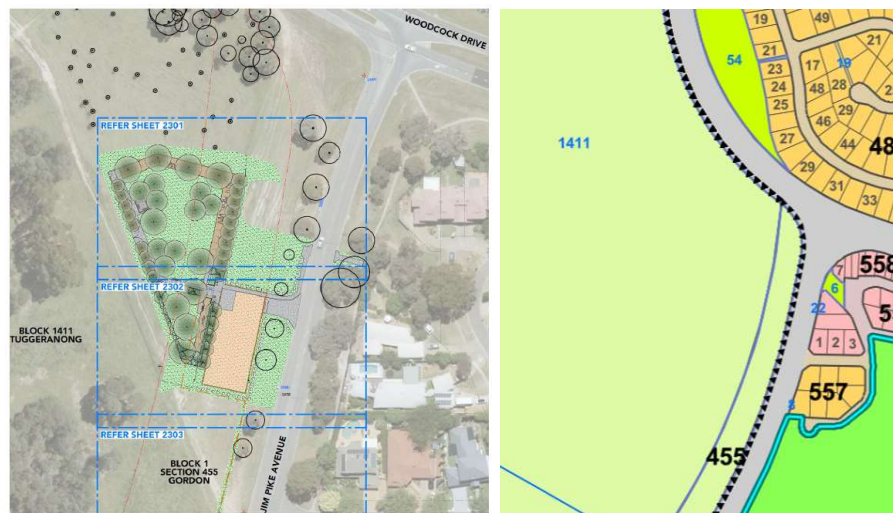
Karen Taylor, Alex Santiago (EPSDD, Office of the Conservator)

Chris Gell (EPSDD, Development Assessment)

Alix Kaucz, Chris Thompson (EPSDD, Territory Plan)

Meeting notes:

- TCCS has lodged a development application for a proposed dog park on part of Tuggeranong rural block 1411 and part of Gordon section 455 block 1.
- The land is zoned non-urban NUZ4 River Corridor (NUZ4).
- The 'Pd special purpose' public land overlay applies to rural block 1411.



- TCCS has lodged a request for an Environmental Significance Opinion (ESO).
- Issuing of an ESO could take approximately 3 weeks.
- A dog park can be considered to fall within the definition of parkland. As such, it is permissible in NUZ4.
- Amending the 'Pd special purpose' public land overlay will require a major plan amendment (MPA). The MPA process was discussed and that it could take 12 months for completion.
- An activities declaration could be issued/amended to include 'dog park' as a permitted use within the special purpose area. This might negate the need to amend the special purpose overlay.

Meeting outcomes

- TCCS to:
 - Prepare a supporting report for a major plan amendment to the Territory Plan to change the special purpose overlay.
 - Initiate the process for transferring land custodianship from TCCS to Parks and Conservation.

- Office of Conservator to:
 - Investigate whether changes to the public land overlays are required for other sites that are being used as dog parks.
 - Liaise with TCCS regarding preparation of the supporting report.
- The supporting report should ideally be sent to the Territory Plan Team by 6 September 2024 to meet anticipated timeframes for completion of a major plan amendment. The aim is to start public consultation on the amendment before the end of the year.

From: ConservatorFloraFauna
Sent: Friday, 16 August 2024 2:56 PM
To: Pegg, Stacey; Koch, Richard; ConservatorFloraFauna; Swain, Shelley; Orgill, Oliver; Bendall, Allan; Taylor, Karen
Cc: Watts, Michaela
Subject: RE: LOA - Lanyon Dog Park

Thanks Stace,

We are going to go down the pathway of a Minor Plan Amendment to change the reserve boundary, to remove the reserve overlay. Brooke is currently drafting the supporting report and we'll do the letter recommending the amendment.

Thanks for following up!!

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From: Pegg, Stacey
Sent: Friday, August 16, 2024 1:59 PM
To: Koch, Richard ; ConservatorFloraFauna ; Swain, Shelley ; Orgill, Oliver ; Bendall, Allan ; Taylor, Karen
Cc: Watts, Michaela
Subject: FW: LOA - Lanyon Dog Park

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Hi All

I recall Kochie sending an email regarding this a few weeks back. Raising the below:

I feel I should raise the issue (for EHW) of the dog park being within an NC Act reserve. Changing custodianship doesn't affect the land's status as a reserve and, in this respect, PCS will retain responsibility for the area (i.e. protection of the reserve). Presently, dogs would be illegal in the proposed dog park, under the NC Act. There are 2 approaches available to dealing with the issue:

1. Retain current reserve boundaries and revise the relevant Activities Declaration (Dog Park remains within reserve).
2. Revoke area intended for TCCS custodianship from reserve, via TPV process (Dog Park excluded from reserve).

TCCS have approached with another LoA for Mic's signature, just wondering if we've come to an agreement on where this has ended?

Thanks
Stace

From: Toovey, Brooke <Brooke.Toovey@act.gov.au>
Sent: Friday, August 16, 2024 1:46 PM
To: Pegg, Stacey <Stacey.Pegg@act.gov.au>
Cc: Hauzer, Angela <Angela.Hauzer@act.gov.au>
Subject: LOA - Lanyon Dog Park

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Hi Stacey,

Thank you for your time.

Could you please ask Michaela to sign the attached? Understand Michaela is acting in Stephen's position at the moment.

Stephen has previously signed this, but we have been provided with a more up to date form. Could the 'First Custodian' component please be signed and dated.

Please ensure that you include Angela in your response.

Thank you.

Kind Regards,

Brooke Toovey | Project Manager | Infrastructure Delivery

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LEASE OR SITE DETAILS

If more than two leases/sites please attach the following details for each additional lease/site on a separate sheet

Block/s: 1411
Section: 0
Suburb: Gordon

District: Tuggeranong
Street Address: Woodcock Drive

Block/s: 1
Section: 455
Suburb: Gordon

District: Tuggeranong
Street Address: Jim Pike Avenue

Where no block and section details are available, describe the location (i.e. road reserve name, or outdoor dining area location)

APPLICANT DETAILS AND DECLARATION

Applicant Details (Please Print)

Applicant name: _____ Email: _____

OR

Company name: Enviro Links Design Email: admin@envirolinks.com.au

Company Nominees – a Company can list up to three nominees. The **first** nominee **must** be authorised to sign on behalf of the Company

Nominee 1: Michael Roy Nominee 2: Luke Duggan Nominee 3: _____

Applicant Declaration

I/we the applicant, by signing the below, declare that:

- I am the person authorised to sign, or to sign on behalf of the company described in this form; and
- I declare that all the information given on this form and its attachments are true and complete.

Signature:  Date: 16/08/2024

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Lessee Details (Please Print Names) - if more than two lessees, please number each additional lessee in 'additional lessees'

First Lessee: _____ Second Lessee: _____

Additional lessees: _____

Lessee Declaration - if more than two lessees, please number each additional lessee in 'additional lessees'

I/we the lessee(s), by signing the below, declare that:

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- I/we have been made aware of the declaration and privacy clauses in all relevant forms; and

- I/we understand that all the information given on this form is true and complete.

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 - Development Application, including amendments
 - Exemption Declaration
 - Reconsideration Application
 - Environmental Impact Statement or Environmental Significant Opinions
 - Other planning application
- to pay all application fees, bonds and securities, liaise with the Territory Planning Authority when required, alter, amend and provide further information as necessary and receive any communications relating to the application.

First Lessee Signature: _____

Date: _____

Second Lessee Signature: _____

Date: _____

Additional Lessee Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Land Custodian Details (Please Print) - if more than two custodians, please number each additional custodian in 'additional custodians'

First Custodian Name: Michaela Watts

Agency: EPSDD - Parks and Conservation

Second Custodian Name: Daniel Iglesias

Agency: TCCS - City Presentation

Additional Custodians: _____

Land Custodian Declaration - if more than two custodians, please number each additional custodian in 'additional custodians'

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First Custodian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Second Custodian Signature: _____

Date: 16 August 2024

Additional Custodian Signature: _____

Date: _____

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From: ConservatorFloraFauna
Sent: Thursday, 22 August 2024 10:48 AM
To: ConservatorFloraFauna
Subject: FW: For clearance: Lanyon Dog Park- ESO
Attachments: Lanyon Dog Park.obr

Might also be useful if I send you the right link...

Alex Santiago

Conservation Officer | Office of the Conservator of Flora and Fauna

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From: ConservatorFloraFauna
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2024 10:47 AM
To: ConservatorFloraFauna
Subject: For clearance: Lanyon Dog Park- ESO

Hi Karen,

Please find the linked Lanyon Dog Park ESO, for your clearance. We received written comments back from ONC and FMU, and verbal confirmation of nil comment from PCS. It's a relatively brief ESO, being a straightforward proposal, but please let me know if more is needed.

Cheers,

Alex

Alex Santiago

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From: ConservatorFloraFauna
Sent: Thursday, August 1, 2024 10:46 AM
To: Santiago, Alex <Alex.Santiago@act.gov.au>
Subject: Lanyon Dog Park- ESO

Hi Alex!

Just another one for Lanyon Dog Park please. If you can start working on the ESO for this one, even though it hasn't been formally referred to us yet? It should be coming to us in the next week or so, but it's going to be an incredibly straight forward one and the quicker we can get it done, the better. Essentially it's almost not necessary, as the only trigger is the fact that it's in a Special Purpose Reserve (SPR).....and we're about to remove that overlay. BUT, it's all a matter of timing – they can't lodge the DA to get the works approved without an ESO because it's currently SPR. AND, they don't want to wait for the overlay to be removed before they lodge the DA, as they want it all approved before Caretaker so Min can announce it.

So, if you can please draft the ESO as saying it won't have any significant impact, with a condition that the special purpose reserve overlay is removed.

Happy to have a chat!! :)

Thanks!

Karen Taylor

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From: ConservatorFloraFauna
Sent: Wednesday, 4 September 2024 1:25 PM
To: ConservatorFloraFauna
Subject: FW: Lanyon Dog Park
Attachments: 2022072101-C- Gordon Dog Park Site 1 - Survey Certificate.pdf; 2022072101-C - Gordon Dog Park Site 1 - Survey Certificate.dwg

This is the survey cert showing what is required for the dog park, so what the area is that we want to remove the overlay for

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From: ConservatorFloraFauna
Sent: Tuesday, July 23, 2024 10:56 AM
To: Terrplan
Subject: FW: Lanyon Dog Park

Morning team!!

Sorry to be a nag but, like all these things as we come close to caretaker period, there's a bit of pressure coming from TCCS to get this in train as soon as possible. Are you able to provide some advice on whether this is a major or minor amendment please?

Thanks heaps!

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From: ConservatorFloraFauna
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2024 1:47 PM
To: Terrplan <Terrplan@act.gov.au>
Subject: FW: Lanyon Dog Park

Good morning team!

We're looking at recommending a portion of TUGGERANONG Block 1411 be rezoned to remove the Special Purpose reserve overlay and rezone to PRZ, or a zone that allows the land use of a Dog Park. Can you please let me know if this is a minor or major amendment and therefore what is required from our end to commence this process? Happy to have a chat if that's easier!

Thanks!

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Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2024 4:30 PM
To: EPD Impact <EPDImpact@act.gov.au>; Terrplan <Terrplan@act.gov.au>
Cc: Malmberg, Finnian <Finnian.Malmberg@act.gov.au>; ConservatorFloraFauna <ConservatorFloraFauna@act.gov.au>; Thompson, Chris <Chris.Thompson@act.gov.au>; Taylor, Karen <Karen.Taylor@act.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Lanyon Dog Park

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Hi Eliza,

Thank you for your speedy response!

Please see attached the official survey to commence the TPV process.

Please let me know if anything else required to keep this moving along.

Thank you!

Kind Regards,

Brooke Toovey | Project Manager | Infrastructure Delivery

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From: EPD Impact <EPDImpact@act.gov.au>

Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2024 3:32 PM

To: Toovey, Brooke <Brooke.Toovey@act.gov.au>; EPD Impact <EPDImpact@act.gov.au>; Terrplan <Terrplan@act.gov.au>

Cc: Malmberg, Finnian <Finnian.Malmberg@act.gov.au>; ConservatorFloraFauna <ConservatorFloraFauna@act.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Lanyon Dog Park

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Hi Brooke,

I'm very familiar with this one as my usual position is Conservator Liaison so have been involved from the beginning.

The requirement for a TPV (now known as a minor or major plan amendment) is a completely separate requirement to an ESO. They each serve a different purpose and you will need both of these.

The key issue is that there is currently a special purpose reserve overlay on the area, and that dogs are prohibited within the reserve. The TPV would excise the dog park area from the reserve, thereby removing the prohibition on dogs.

On the other hand, an ESO is a planning requirement to avoid the need to undertake an Environmental Impact Statement when undertaking development of a type outlined in Schedule 1 of the [Planning \(General\) Regulation 2023](#).

So, if you obtain an ESO but do not undertake a TPV to remove the reserve overlay, you could build the park once your DA is approved but people bringing dogs to the dog park will be committing an offence under the Nature Conservation Act and can face penalties.

The correspondence you attached is accurate in the steps needed to ensure that a dog park can be legally built and used. Please also note that land custodianship also needs to be transferred to TCCS so that you can manage the dog park area.

The last I recall, the Conservator's office was waiting to receive the official survey maps so that a TPV could be recommended to the planning authority. I suggest that this occurs as soon as possible so that the process can be started, as it can be lengthy one and dogs would not be legally permitted until that is complete.

I have cc'd the Conservator's office for awareness as they can provide further advice on what information they need to recommend a TPV. If you have any questions about the general ESO process please let me know.

Kind regards,

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From: Toovey, Brooke <Brooke.Toovey@act.gov.au>
Sent: Monday, July 15, 2024 2:16 PM
To: EPD Impact <EPDImpact@act.gov.au>; Terrplan <Terrplan@act.gov.au>
Cc: Malmberg, Finnian <Finnian.Malmberg@act.gov.au>
Subject: Lanyon Dog Park
Importance: High

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Hi there,

I have taken over the project management of the proposed Lanyon Dog park.

I have attached evidence of support for the proposal from PACS. In reading this, it suggests that a Territory Plan Variation (TPV) is required. However, more recently I have learnt from a planning officer, Finnian Malmberg, that EITHER a TPV or an ESO is required and not necessarily both. Could this please be confirmed? I would like evidence to back this up as the DA will be submitted this week. An ESO was submitted last week and therefore happy to proceed down the ESO route once confirmed.

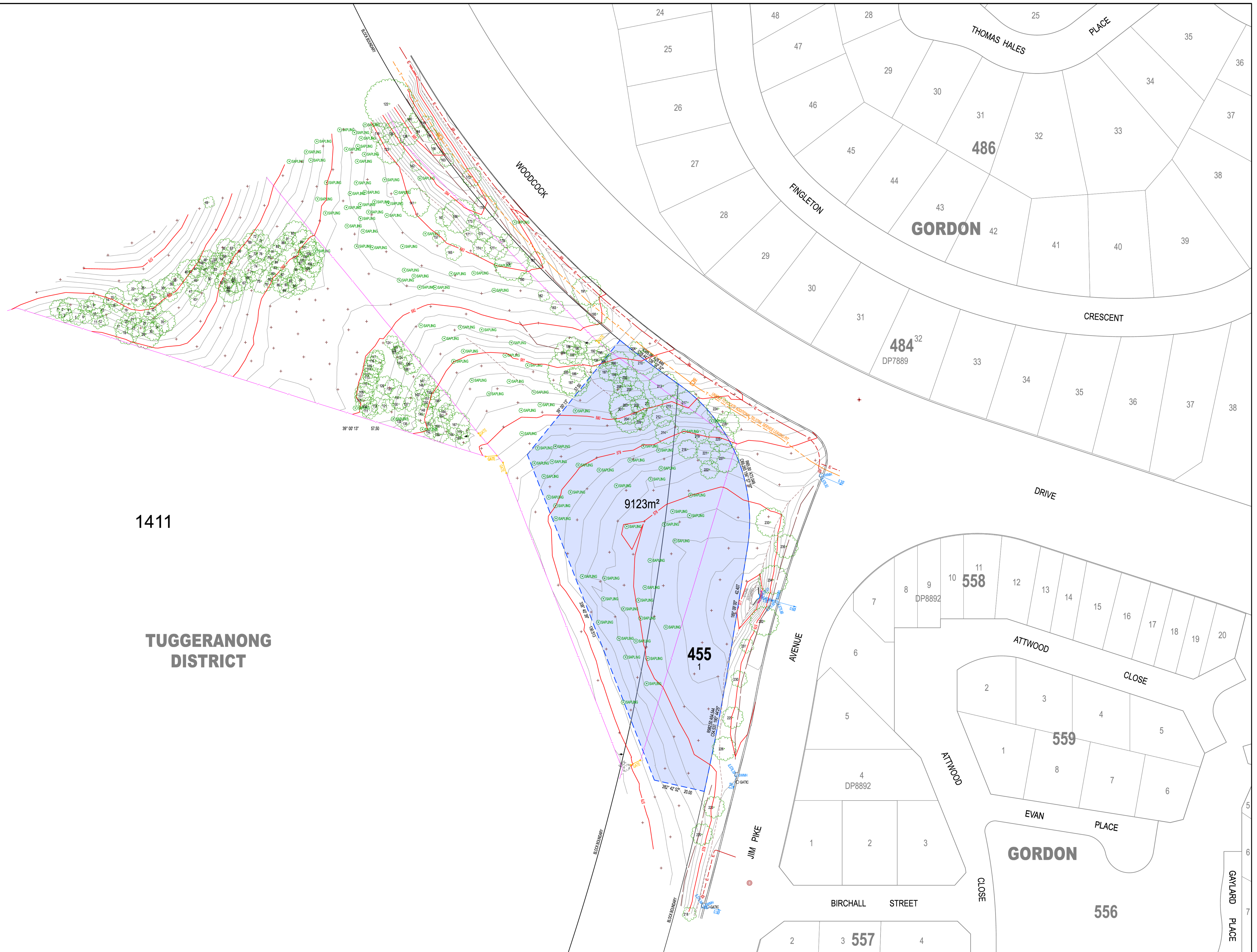
Please advise.

Kind Regards,

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EL	EL LIGHT POLE
TMH	TELECOM MANHOLE
SR	SRN
SR	SURVEY STEEL ROD
SR	SURVEY GRM
T	TREE
F	FENCE
LB	LOG BARRIER
EL	EL POWERLINE UG
EL	TELECOM LINE UG
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R	ROCK
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Amendments		
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A	ORIGINAL SURVEY	21-07-2022
B	SURVEY CERTIFICATE	18-01-2023
C	ADDED TPV EXTENT LAYER & DIMENSIONED	13-06-2024

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DETAIL SURVEY & SURVEY CERTIFICATE

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Approved by	RJM

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	DIVISION OF GORDON
	& PART BLOCK 1411
	TUGGERANONG
	DISTRICT
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GORDON DOG PARK SITE 1
PART BLK 1 SEC 455 DIVISION OF GORDON
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TUGGERANONG DISTRICT**

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From: Taylor, Karen
Sent: Monday, 9 September 2024 3:40 PM
To: Terrplan
Cc: Toovey, Brooke
Subject: Letter of Recommendation - Major Plan Amendment - Lanyon Dog Park
Attachments: 01. Letter of recommendation - Major Plan Amendment -Lanyon Dog Park (A48115491).pdf; Attachment A - Major Plan Amendment - Lanyon Dog Park.pdf; Attachment B - Lanyon Dog Park Supporting Report.docx

Good afternoon!

Please find attached correspondence from the Conservator of Flora and Fauna, recommending the removal of the Special Purpose Reserve Overlay from parts of block 1411, Section 0; and block 1, section 455 in Gordon.

Please reach out if you have any questions or require any further clarification.

Thanks!

Karen Taylor

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Mr George Cilliers
Chief Planner
Territory Planning Authority
terrplan@act.gov.au

Dear Mr Cilliers

Major Plan Amendment – Lanyon Dog Park

I am writing to you pursuant to s.384 of the *Planning Act 2023* to recommend that the Territory Plan be amended to remove the Special Purpose Reserve overlay from parts of block 1411, Section 0; and block 1, section 455 in Gordon. Removal of the overlay is required to enable its use as a dog exercise area.

The proposed site and surrounds are currently used as an unofficial dog park, with the public accessing the reserve from Woodcock Drive. This is inconsistent with the Territory Plan special purpose reserve overlay, which does not permit dogs on site. The proposal aims to formalise a fenced dog park and thereby limit dogs accessing the higher ecological value areas of the reserve to the south and west. The Lanyon Dog Park is intended to be managed by the Transport Canberra and City Services Directorate (TCCS), pending transfer from the ACT Parks and Conservation Services (PCS). PCS have confirmed their support to the transfer of this location to TCCS.

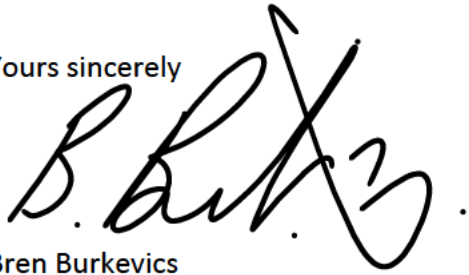
My office has recently assessed and approved an Environmental Significance Opinion (ESO) for the proposed site. The ESO application included a comprehensive ecological survey of the proposed site. The ecological survey did not identify any threatened ecological communities. A tree assessment of the site found the existing trees to be of low to medium value, and that existing native grasses and vegetation largely overtaken by African Lovegrass.

Amending the Territory Plan to remove the special purpose reserve overlay from the parts of the block is illustrate by the blue shaded area in the survey certificate at [Attachment A](#). This will condense dogs to a smaller part of the block. Preventing access of the public and off lead dogs to the larger part of the block will allow enhancement of the existing habitat corridors to the north-west of the site.

For further detail supporting my recommendation to amend the Territory Plan, please see the supporting report prepared by TCCS at [Attachment B](#).

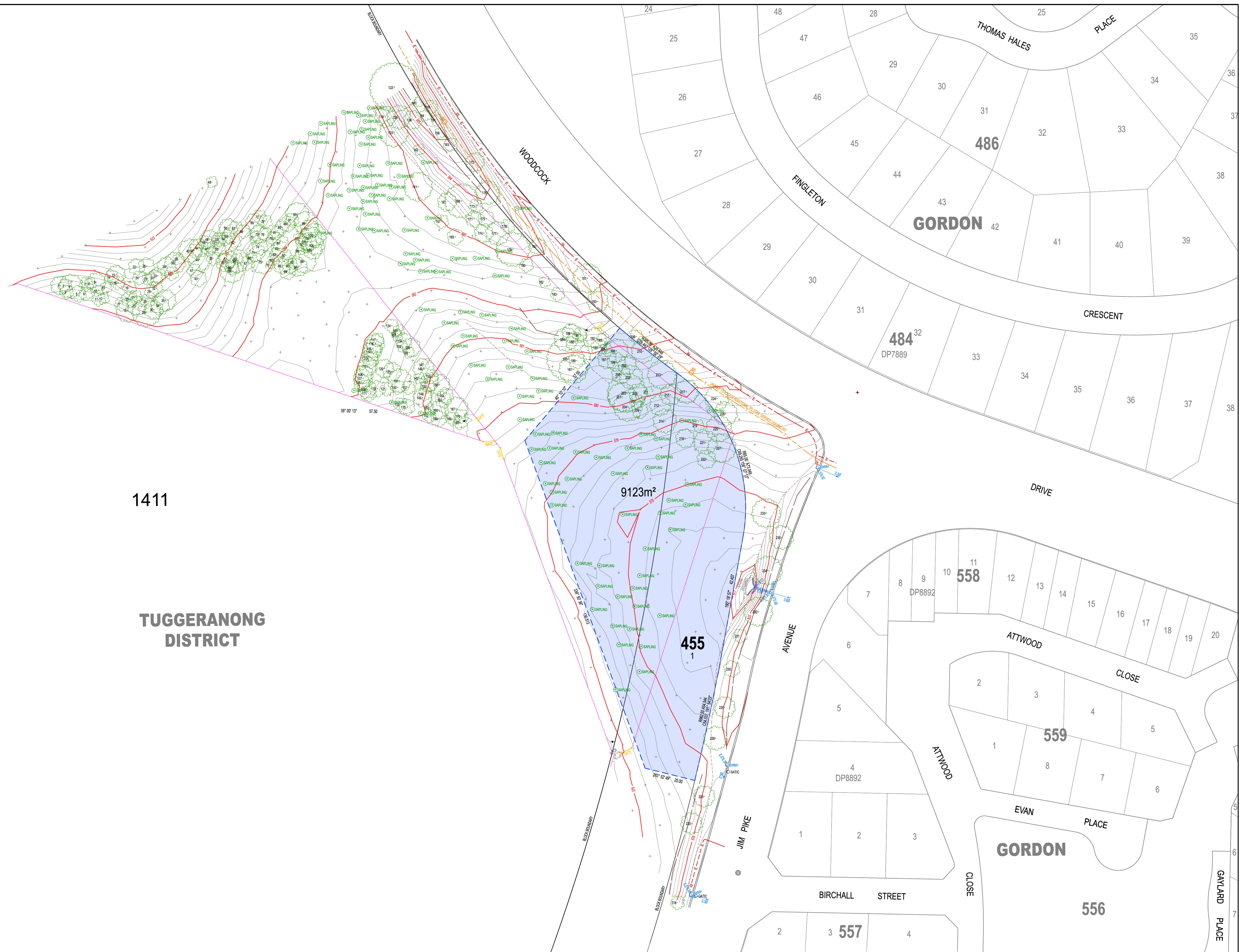
Thank you for your consideration of my recommendation which aims to reduce impacts from off-lead dogs within the Murrumbidgee River corridor by establishing a designated fenced area on the parts of the blocks containing lower quality ecological values.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Burkevics', with a large, stylized flourish extending upwards and to the right.

Bren Burkevics
Conservator of Flora and Fauna

9 September 2024



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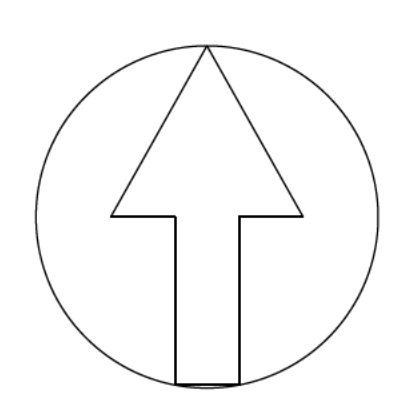
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SR	SURVEY GRM
T	TREE
F	FENCE
LB	LOG BARRIER
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EL	TELECOM LINE UG
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C	ADDED TPV EXTENT LAYER & DIMENSIONED	13-06-2024
D	CONVERT SURVEY TO GDA2020 COORDINATES	23-07-2024

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Date:	JANUARY 2023
Proj No.:	2022072101
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DETAIL SURVEY & SURVEY CERTIFICATE

ROBERT J. MCCAULEY - REGISTERED SURVEYOR No. 325
 Surveyor, Registered Under Surveyors ACT 2002

Designed by	TJ
Drawn by	CD
Checked by	RJM
Approved by	RJM

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	DIVISION OF GORDON
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Lanyon Dog Park: Supporting Report

Major Amendment to the Territory Plan



Prepared by:

Infrastructure Delivery

Transport Canberra and City Services Directorate

06 September 2024

1. Introduction

In 2021, the ACT Government endeavoured to design and construct a new dog park in the Lanyon Valley. Through an internally run feasibility study, this location was understood to be the best location for the Dog Park. Feedback was sought from the community through community pop-ups and online surveys. There is a high level of overall support for the new Lanyon dog park, with 81% of survey respondents supporting the draft design. The most popular features of the draft design are the native trees for canopy cover (45%), car parking facilities (39.5%), grass play area (39%), dog agility area (37%), and picnic shelter, seating and drinking fountain (34%).

The proposed Lanyon Dog Park is in the suburb of Gordon, Tuggeranong (Block 1411 and Block 1; Section 455). The figures below indicate site location. The custodianship of the land is currently divided into Environmental Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (EPSDD) and Transport Canberra and City Services (TCCS) Land. An Environmental Significance Opinion (ESO) has been approved for this site which indicates that the dog park will not have an adverse impact on the environment under the Planning Act 2023 - [ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE OPINION - Lanyon Dog Park \(ESO 202400037\)](#) ([act.gov.au](#)).



Figure 1: Site Context
Block 1411 is EPSDD land, NUZ4: River Corridor.
Block 1; Section 455 is TCCS Land and also classed as NUZ4: River Corridor.
Currently the site has a PD Special Purpose Overlay.



Figure 2: Site Location, with proposed dog park overlaid

2. The need for the proposed amendment

Dog owners and their dogs represent a significant portion of patrons using public spaces. In addition to regular exercise, it is also important that dogs in public spaces are managed to reduce user conflict and provide quality recreational opportunities for all sectors of the community.

The ACT Government (TCCS) has undertaken extensive engagement with the community on responsible dog ownership. Dog parks provide a safe environment for members of the community to allow their dogs off-lead. Fenced dog exercise areas contribute to the effective management of dogs in public spaces by providing controlled space where dogs can freely exercise and play. They also assist in alleviating the pressure on shared recreational areas. In addition, as dog ownership increases the provision of suitable public facilities to support positive animal welfare is required.

Currently fenced dog parks are available at several locations around the ACT. This initiative seeks to complete the design and construction of this new dog park located on government owned land in Lanyon.

Currently the area to the north, as shown in Figure 3, is used as an unofficial dog park that is accessed via Woodcock Drive. The current arrangement of the block allows dogs on site further north-west.

There is a need to introduce an official, fenced dog park which removes dogs from the centre of the biodiversity corridor as shown in Figure 4. By providing an area for dogs and the community, this will aid in constraining dogs to an appropriate area which will be maintained by TCCS. The dogs within the proposed dog park will be constrained by fences and therefore movement further afield will be reduced. This will allow biodiversity corridors to open up between existing flora and fauna. Refer Figure 4.



Figure 3: Current use of site by dog owners; users typically park on Woodcock Drive, enter as indicated by the dotted line, and use the large area indicated to the west as recreation area for their dogs



Figure 4: Dog Exercise Area. Green indicates Off leash dog areas. Red indicated prohibited areas. The blue X marks the site location.
Image Source: ACTmap Domestic Animals.

3. The positive impacts of the proposed amendment

There are many positive impacts that will result from Lanyon Dog Park, including:

- Relocating dogs out of a biodiversity corridor and into a non-sensitive area
- Providing amenities to the Tuggeranong community
- Fostering community
- Amenity improvement including formalising a safe area for dogs and their owners
- Treatment of the problematic African Lovegrass on site
- An official dog park area stopping dogs travelling further afield to areas currently prohibited
- Discouraging people from using the unofficial area by relocating dogs to the official dog park area
- Containment of dogs into a confined area.

4. The negative impacts of the proposed amendment

There is potential for some negative impacts resulting from Lanyon Dog Park, including:

- Negative community perception associated with relocating the current unofficial dog park site. Whilst the current dog park is technically an unofficial dog park, it is signposted with government signage. This may cause negative community perceptions.

5. A statement about how the proposed amendment would give effect to the ACT Planning Strategy and relevant district strategy

The proposal for Lanyon Dog aligns with the ACT Planning Strategy and the Tuggeranong District Strategy.

Lanyon Dog Park aligns with the ACT Planning Strategy's vision, which states that "The vision of this strategy is to be a sustainable, competitive and equitable city that respects Canberra as a city in the landscape and the National Capital, while being responsive to the future and resilient to change." Lanyon Dog Park aligns with this vision and strategy as it is:

- **Compact and efficient**, in utilising the triangular corner of the block.
- The proposal allows for **diversity** as it not only contains agility equipment, but it contains seating for the community and grassed areas which can be open for interpretation.
- **Sustainable and resilient** as it will utilise native trees and shrubs, and seek the inclusion of the hardy SA grass mix which Roads uses due to its resilience
- Providing more **liveable** areas for the community to allow their dogs to run and play
- Providing two **accessible** car spaces

The items above respond to the themes which comprise the ACT planning Strategy.

Lanyon Dog Park also aligns with the District Strategy for Tuggeranong as it shows the area remaining as urban open space. The dog park is sympathetic to this as a transparent fence and native planting are proposed. These will allow for surrounding uninterrupted views.

Lanyon Dog Park aligns with at least 3 out of the 5 big drivers for the Tuggeranong District Strategy, which are, improving the blue-green network, inclusive centres and communities and sustainable neighbourhoods.

Lanyon dog park aligns with principles in the ACT Planning Strategy and the District Strategy for Tuggeranong by responding to the above themes.

6. A statement about how the proposed amendment would be consistent or inconsistent with relevant planning outcomes contained in other government strategies or policies

Canberra has one of the highest rates of pet ownership in the country and the ACT Government is committed to providing places for locals to exercise and socialise their four-legged friends off-leash.

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The chosen site for Lanyon Dog Park sits in NUZ4: River Corridor land. However, it is on the corner/far eastern edge of the site and gives back the rest of the site to promote nature corridors.

The proposed amendment will be consistent with relevant planning outcomes contained ACT government's strategy to provide placers for locals to exercise and socialise with their off leash dogs.

7. Any public, entity or land custodian consultation undertaken in the preparation of the Supporting Report.

A Teams meeting was held 7th August, 2024 between TCCS (Infrastructure Delivery) and EPSDD (Office of the Conservator, Territory Planning and Development Assessment). General support to the proposal was provided by all attendees. Refer to [Attachment A](#) for the Minutes of this meeting. This supporting report aligns with the discussion held in this meeting and will be used as part of the proposed Major Amendment.

Additionally, conversations were held in 2023 which indicate an in principle support from EPSDD for the construction of a new dog park in Lanyon. Refer [Attachment B](#).

EPSDD has also provided approval of the Environmental Significance Opinion (ESO) which further highlights that not only will the dog park be a welcomed amenity for the Tuggeranong community but will also not have adverse environmental implications.

TCCS recommends that this supporting report be accepted as part of the Major Amendment.

8. Summary

TCCS are requesting a change the Territory Plan by Major Amendment. The site is classed as NUZ4. This government initiated request to change the land use overlay of this area calls for the removal of the PD special purpose overlay from the site. As 'dog park' would be considered against the 'parkland' definition (which is permitted in NUZ4) there is no need to change the zoning of the block.

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Lanyon Dog Park aligns with the ACT Planning Strategy, the Tuggeranong District Strategy and conversations held with EPSDD. Lanyon Dog Park also aligns with the ACT Government's message that "It's important dogs have regular exercise and a chance to socialise." A dedicated fenced dog area will help to provide that opportunity. TCCS notes that this site will be a great asset for dog owners in the Tuggeranong District area. The inclusion of sites like this encourages users to do the right thing and utilise designated dog areas.

Attachment A:

Supporting Documentation – Teams meeting held 7th August

Online Teams meeting – Wednesday 7 August 2024 (4pm)

Lanyon Dog Park

Meeting attendees:

Richmond Henty, Brooke Toovey (TCCS)

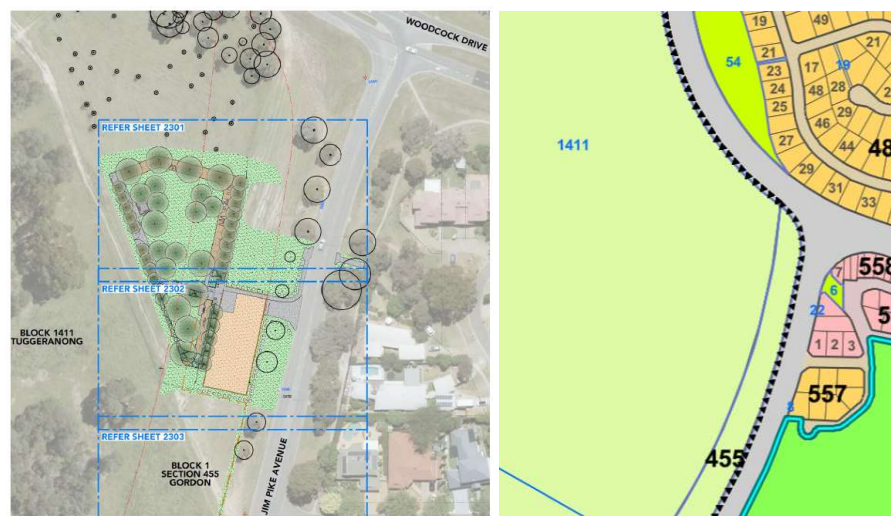
Karen Taylor, Alex Santiago (EPSDD, Office of the Conservator)

Chris Gell (EPSDD, Development Assessment)

Alix Kaucz, Chris Thompson (EPSDD, Territory Plan)

Meeting notes:

- TCCS has lodged a development application for a proposed dog park on part of Tuggeranong rural block 1411 and part of Gordon section 455 block 1.
- The land is zoned non-urban NUZ4 River Corridor (NUZ4).
- The 'Pd special purpose' public land overlay applies to rural block 1411.



- TCCS has lodged a request for an Environmental Significance Opinion (ESO).
- Issuing of an ESO could take approximately 3 weeks.
- A dog park can be considered to fall within the definition of parkland. As such, it is permissible in NUZ4.
- Amending the 'Pd special purpose' public land overlay will require a major plan amendment (MPA). The MPA process was discussed and that it could take 12 months for completion.
- An activities declaration could be issued/amended to include 'dog park' as a permitted use within the special purpose area. This might negate the need to amend the special purpose overlay.

Meeting outcomes

- TCCS to:
 - Prepare a supporting report for a major plan amendment to the Territory Plan to change the special purpose overlay.
 - Initiate the process for transferring land custodianship from TCCS to Parks and Conservation.

- Office of Conservator to:
 - Investigate whether changes to the public land overlays are required for other sites that are being used as dog parks.
 - Liaise with TCCS regarding preparation of the supporting report.

- The supporting report should ideally be sent to the Territory Plan Team by 6 September 2024 to meet anticipated timeframes for completion of a major plan amendment. The aim is to start public consultation on the amendment before the end of the year.

Attachment B:

Supporting Documentation – Evident of support of initiative

From: Clement, SophieJ <SophieJ.Clement@act.gov.au> **Sent:** Thursday, 17 August 2023 2:07 PM **To:** Larson, Eliza <Eliza.Larson@act.gov.au> **Cc:** Henty, Richmond <Richmond.Henty@act.gov.au>; Hauzer, Angela <Angela.Hauzer@act.gov.au> **Subject:** RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Hi Eliza, thanks for the quick chat to clarify where this one is sitting.

Richmond/ Eliza - confirming the understanding that the following steps are where things are currently and agreed actions:

- The issue of the Nature Conservation Act (NCA) and the Domestic Animals Act (DAA) crossing over is a separate issue to this project which this project cannot resolve.
- TCCS will advise the area which they agree to take on management of – noting Richard Koch's recommended area in the map below
- TCCS will submit an ESO for undertaking works to deliver the Dog Park – which will need to be supported by PCS as the land custodian (PCS have indicated support for this) (and assuming this hasn't already been done?)
- Concurrently TCCS will work with PCS to transfer Land Custodianship to TCCS
- Concurrently TCCS will work Conservator's office to undertake TPV to remove the nature reserve overlay from this area
- TCCS can decide to proceed with a construction tender while these processes are underway if we are comfortable with the risk around approval of ESO coming whilst tender process is underway

Richmond/ Ange – this should provide confidence the design to be finalised and construction tender to be released while the above planning aspects are progressed and finalised.

Thanks,

Sophie

Infrastructure Delivery | Transport Canberra and City Services | ACT Government

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From: Larson, Eliza <Eliza.Larson@act.gov.au> **Sent:** Thursday, 18 May 2023 3:44 PM **To:** Henty, Richmond <Richmond.Henty@act.gov.au> **Cc:** Koch, Richard <Richard.Koch@act.gov.au>; Orgill, Oliver <Oliver.Orgill@act.gov.au>; Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>; Cotsell, Peter <Peter.Cotsell@act.gov.au>; Clement, SophieJ <SophieJ.Clement@act.gov.au> **Subject:** RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Hi Richmond,

I can confirm that the below and attached area in blue is the area we propose to excise from the nature reserve and transfer to TCCS. This would also provide TCCS with the opportunity to have a dog walking area next to the dog park.

Some requirements to note:

- The existing Bicentennial trail must not be impacted, with at least a 6m setback between the existing fence and any dog park infrastructure
- Fencing the eastern side of the trail would be useful to demarcate TCCS/PCS land boundary
- The current informal dog area within the reserve must be remediated (we can provide further info on this), with signage to make clear that dogs are not permitted.

Please let me know whether the proposed area is suitable for the park and any required utilities/access etc. and if you have any other comments. Once we're all on the same page I will seek some advice in terms of next steps and timeframes.

Kind regards,

Eliza Larson | A/g Conservator Liaison

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From: Koch, Richard <Richard.Koch@act.gov.au> **Sent:** Tuesday, 16 May 2023 7:04 PM **To:** Orgill, Oliver <Oliver.Orgill@act.gov.au>; Larson, Eliza <Eliza.Larson@act.gov.au>; Henty, Richmond <Richmond.Henty@act.gov.au>; Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>; Cotsell, Peter <Peter.Cotsell@act.gov.au>; Clement, SophieJ <SophieJ.Clement@act.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Rough rendition. Red is National Trail. Blue is proposed reserve excision and TCCS custodianship. Allows for vehicle width at least, along trail. Follows actual trail location on the ground rather than mapped version, which is incorrect at northern end. Gates either end are within PCS-retained (Trail) area. Trail may ultimately require fencing (by TCCS) on its eastern side. Eastern edge of blue excision area follows current reserve boundary.

Doesn't address the nearby situation where we have (as at many other sites) a TCCS dog exercise area in a no-dogs PCS reserve, but I think this would be too big an ask, as we're just making changes to allow for this single development.

No guarantee this doesn't impinge on TCCS's existing design – would depend on whether they took the National Trail's existence into account from the outset (which I guess they did).

Regards

Richard Koch

Acting Assistant Manager, Licensing and Compliance

ACT Parks and Conservation Service

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From: Orgill, Oliver <Oliver.Orgill@act.gov.au> **Sent:** Tuesday, 16 May 2023 6:04 PM **To:** Koch, Richard <Richard.Koch@act.gov.au>; Larson, Eliza <Eliza.Larson@act.gov.au>; Henty, Richmond <Richmond.Henty@act.gov.au>; Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>;

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Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Apologies for the misunderstanding - I thought we'd gone right back to the start !

Yep, that's a good plan Richard .

From: Koch, Richard <Richard.Koch@act.gov.au> **Sent:** Tuesday, 16 May 2023 6:00 PM **To:** Larson, Eliza <Eliza.Larson@act.gov.au>; Orgill, Oliver <Oliver.Orgill@act.gov.au>; Henty, Richmond <Richmond.Henty@act.gov.au>; Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>; Cotsell, Peter <Peter.Cotsell@act.gov.au>; Clement, SophieJ <SophieJ.Clement@act.gov.au>
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If it'll help avoid a meeting I can propose a boundary, which Ollie could potentially okay (for PCS at least). It would leave the (Bicentennial) National Trail in PCS custodianship. It wouldn't be based on any ecological assessment but I've visited and it doesn't look like any substantial values are affected.

Regards

Richard Koch

Acting Assistant Manager, Licensing and Compliance

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From: Larson, Eliza <Eliza.Larson@act.gov.au> **Sent:** Tuesday, May 16, 2023 5:16:10 PM **To:** Orgill, Oliver <Oliver.Orgill@act.gov.au>; Koch, Richard <Richard.Koch@act.gov.au>; Henty, Richmond <Richmond.Henty@act.gov.au>; Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>; Cotsell, Peter <Peter.Cotsell@act.gov.au>; Clement, SophieJ <SophieJ.Clement@act.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Hi Ollie,

Happy to request a TPV to excise the area, but we first need to determine the boundaries of the area to be excised. That is what we are meeting to discuss.

Cheers,

Eliza Larson | A/g Conservator Liaison

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From: Orgill, Oliver <Oliver.Orgill@act.gov.au> **Sent:** Tuesday, 16 May 2023 4:39 PM **To:** Koch, Richard <Richard.Koch@act.gov.au>; Henty, Richmond <Richmond.Henty@act.gov.au>; Larson, Eliza <Eliza.Larson@act.gov.au>; Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>; Cotsell, Peter <Peter.Cotsell@act.gov.au>; Clement, SophieJ <SophieJ.Clement@act.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Hi All,

Sorry, I'm a little late to this discussion as I've been on leave. I'm not sure that we need to meet.

I thought that we have already come to an agreement on this last year. As land manager we are strongly supportive of this proposal, the construction of a formalised dog park next to the road would facilitate the closure of the 'unofficial' dog park further into the reserve which we currently manage, it's not our core business. In previous discussions it was proposed that for the

development in question that the land custodianship be transferred to TCCS and/or be excised from the SPR – I can't recall who was going to action that.

There are no significant environmental values that will be compromised by this change, and it is absolutely the preferred outcome for us.

Thanks

Ollie

From: Koch, Richard <Richard.Koch@act.gov.au> **Sent:** Tuesday, 16 May 2023 11:56 AM **To:** Henty, Richmond <Richmond.Henty@act.gov.au> **Cc:** Larson, Eliza <Eliza.Larson@act.gov.au>; Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>; Orgill, Oliver <Oliver.Orgill@act.gov.au> **Subject:** RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Relevant to Thur meeting.

Regards

Richard Koch

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From: Henty, Richmond <Richmond.Henty@act.gov.au> **Sent:** Friday, 12 May 2023 2:55 PM

To: Koch, Richard <

Richard.Koch@act.gov.au> **Cc:** Larson, Eliza <Eliza.Larson@act.gov.au>; Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>; Orgill, Oliver <Oliver.Orgill@act.gov.au> **Subject:** RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

So I now understand,

But this is what people are being told.

Regards

Richmond Henty

Richmond Henty | Project Manager | Infrastructure Delivery M [Sch 2.2\(a\)\(ii\)](#) **T** 02 620 55391 **E** Richmond.henty@act.gov.au Transport Canberra and City Services Directorate | **ACT Government** 480 Northbourne Ave Dickson | GPO Box 158 Canberra ACT 2601 | www.act.gov.au

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From: Koch, Richard <Richard.Koch@act.gov.au> **Sent:** Friday, 12 May 2023 2:48 PM **To:** Henty, Richmond <Richmond.Henty@act.gov.au> **Cc:** Larson, Eliza <Eliza.Larson@act.gov.au>; Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>; Orgill, Oliver <Oliver.Orgill@act.gov.au> **Subject:** RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Hi Richmond

The area protected as a reserve under the *Nature Conservation Act* currently extends as shown by the red arrow below.

Regards

Richard Koch

Acting Assistant Manager, Licensing and Compliance

ACT Parks and Conservation Service

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From: Henty, Richmond <Richmond.Henty@act.gov.au> **Sent:** Friday, 12 May 2023 2:40 PM **To:** Larson, Eliza <Eliza.Larson@act.gov.au>; Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>; Orgill, Oliver <Oliver.Orgill@act.gov.au>; Koch, Richard <Richard.Koch@act.gov.au> **Subject:** RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

A little more detail for you all

Regards

Richmond Henty

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-----Original Appointment----- **From:** Larson, Eliza <Eliza.Larson@act.gov.au>

Sent: Friday, 12 May 2023 12:34 PM **To:** Larson, Eliza; Larson, Eliza; Henty, Richmond; Watts, Michaela; Orgill, Oliver; Koch, Richard **Subject:** Proposed Lanyon Dog Park **When:** Tuesday, 16 May 2023 3:00 PM-4:00 PM (UTC+10:00) Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney. **Where:** Microsoft Teams Meeting

Hi all,

Meeting to discuss the proposed Lanyon Dog Park – cnr Jim Pike Avenue and Woodcock Drive, Gordon.

The proposed park is within a Special Purpose Reserve, and both activities declarations for the reserve prohibit dogs in the reserve.

A possible way forward is to excise the area from the nature reserve, which would require a Territory Plan Variation and a custodianship transfer.

PCS - Please have a think about what area might be appropriate to remove from the reserve, considering values etc.

Richmond – Please have a think about the total area required by the park including for access/fencing etc. I have put a snip below from the Yoursay website, but if you have any more recent plans this would be very useful.

Thanks,

Eliza Larson

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Cc: Toovey, Brooke
Subject: Letter of Recommendation - Major Plan Amendment - Lanyon Dog Park
Attachments: 01. Letter of recommendation - Major Plan Amendment -Lanyon Dog Park (A48115491).pdf; Attachment A - Major Plan Amendment - Lanyon Dog Park.pdf; Attachment B - Lanyon Dog Park Supporting Report.docx

Categories: Chris

OFFICIAL

Good afternoon!

Please find attached correspondence from the Conservator of Flora and Fauna, recommending the removal of the Special Purpose Reserve Overlay from parts of block 1411, Section 0; and block 1, section 455 in Gordon.

Please reach out if you have any questions or require any further clarification.

Thanks!

Karen Taylor

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From: Koch, Richard
Sent: Saturday, 28 September 2024 8:49 AM
To: Thompson, Chris
Cc: Terrplan
Subject: FW: Chris sent a message

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Hi Chris

Re your question...

Hi Richard. Can you please tell me where I can find the activities declaration for the Pine Island special purpose reserve? I'm asking in relation to the proposed Lanyon dog park to be located near the corner Woodcock Drive and Jim Pike Avenue.

The AD is here: <https://www.legislation.act.gov.au/ni/2015-409/>

Please note that, if the AD is silent on dogs (which it is for the dog park site), then dogs remain prohibited, as the area is a reserve under the NP&W Act.

For dog prohibition, see section 214 of NC Act.

For the exception relating to ADs, see section 252(2)(a)(i). Dogs remain prohibited unless an AD 'permits' them.

For reserve status of site, see section 169(1)(b) of NC Act, and the NC Reg, section 5, and schedule 1 division 1.2.11.

NC Act: <https://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/2014-59/default.asp>

NC Reg: <https://www.legislation.act.gov.au/sl/2015-23/>

Regards

Richard Koch
Senior Ranger Compliance
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02 6207 6487, [Sch 2.2\(a\)\(ii\)](#)

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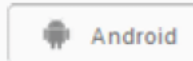


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From: Toovey, Brooke
Sent: Friday, 22 November 2024 9:13 AM
To: Thompson, Chris
Subject: RE: Lanyon Dog Park - proposed minor plan amendment

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Hi Chris,

I have reviewed and this looks fantastic. Thank you again!

Kind Regards,

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From: Thompson, Chris <Chris.Thompson@act.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 19 November 2024 3:56 PM
To: Toovey, Brooke <Brooke.Toovey@act.gov.au>
Subject: Lanyon Dog Park - proposed minor plan amendment

Hi Brooke

Attached is the draft version of the minor plan amendment (MA) to change the 'Pd special purpose' overlay in the location of the proposed dog park.

Can you please review the MA to ensure it is in line with the requested changes to the Pd overlay?

Subject to approval by executive, it is anticipated that the MA process could be completed on Friday 29 November 2024.

Regards
Chris

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Matter for consideration

Commencement of Minor Plan Amendment MA2024-04 Changes to public land overlay boundaries

To

Freya O'Brien
Executive Branch Manager
Strategic Planning and Policy
Planning & Urban Policy

Recommendations

That you:

1. Note the contents of this minute.
2. Agree that you are satisfied that if minor plan amendment MA2024-04 is made, it is a minor amendment.
3. Sign the attached notifiable instrument ([Attachment A](#)).
4. Agree to MA2024-04 commencing as soon as possible.

Background

MA2024-04 makes the following changes to the Territory Plan Map to change the public land 'Pd – a special purpose reserve' overlay at Tuggeranong part rural block 1411 and Gordon section 455 part block 1 (the site).

The Conservator of Flora and Fauna wrote pursuant to section 384 of the *Planning Act 2023* to recommend that the Territory Plan be amended to remove the Pd overlay from parts of the site.

Fenced dog parks are available at several locations in the ACT. Amending the Pd overlay will facilitate development of a new dog park to be located on territory land outside of the special purpose reserve.

Compliance with the Act

MA2024-04 is being undertaken under the following sections of the *Planning Act 2023*.

- 84 (1) (b) an amendment to change the boundary of a zone under section 87 (Rezoning—boundary changes);
- 87 (2) The territory planning authority may amend the territory plan under section 85 (Making minor plan amendments) to change the boundary of the zone to encroach onto the adjoining land if the change is consistent with—
 - (a) the apparent intent of the original boundary line; and
 - (b) the desired outcomes for the zone.

The proposed boundary change is consistent with detailed investigations and an Environmental Significance Opinion that revealed the subject site is no longer of environmental significance and, therefore, it no longer needs to be part of the special purpose reserve. This also found it is appropriate for use as a formal and enclosed dog recreation park.

The boundary change is consistent with the apparent intent of the original boundary in that it will continue to protect land of significant environmental values. It also facilitates achievement of desired policy outcomes for the non-urban NUZ4 River Corridor zone by providing opportunities for land based recreational activities and preventing development that would significantly increase the fire hazard. It will also not adversely impact ecological connectivity given the location is on the outer edge of the NUZ4 zoning and the 'Pd – a special purpose' overlay for the site.

Consistent with section 84, the proposed amendment to the Territory Plan is a minor plan amendment of which no consultation is needed. In accordance with section 85 (2) the proposed changes are not inconsistent with the Planning Strategy 2018 or the Tuggeranong District Strategy.

Issues

This minor amendment did not require public consultation and there are no outstanding issues.

It is anticipated that the minor plan amendment will commence in late November or early December 2024, and as soon as possible following the approval of the attached NI.

Clearance of Instrument

Legal Policy cleared the notifiable instrument on 21 November 2024 ([Attachment B](#)).

Media issues

There are no identified media issues for this minor plan amendment.

Communication

An email will be circulated to relevant teams in EPSDD and the National Capital Authority notifying staff of the commencement of MA2024-04.

MA2024-04 will be published on the planning website, in accordance with the requirements of the Act.

Financial implications

Nil.

Linkages to other briefs and ministerials

Nil.

Name Brad Maxwell
Position title/branch A/g Senior Director
Division Planning & Urban Policy
Phone number x57670

Contact Officer Chris Thompson
Phone number x78720

AGREED / NOT AGREED / NOTED / DISCUSS



4 December 2024

.....
Executive Branch Manager, Strategic Planning and Policy

Planning (Changes to public land overlay boundaries) Minor Plan Amendment 2024 (No 1)

Notifiable instrument NI2024-

made under the

Planning Act 2023, s 85 (Making minor plan amendments)

1 Name of instrument

This instrument is the *Planning (Changes to public land overlay boundaries) Minor Plan Amendment 2024 (No 1)*.

2 Commencement

This instrument commences on the day after its notification day.

3 Minor plan amendment

I am satisfied under the *Planning Act 2023*, section 85 (1) (a) that Minor Plan Amendment 2024-04 is a minor plan amendment to the Territory Plan.

4 Dictionary

In this section:

Minor Plan Amendment 2024-04 means the minor plan amendment to the Territory Plan in schedule 1.



Freya O'Brien
Delegate of the territory planning authority
04 December 2024



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MINOR PLAN AMENDMENT TO THE TERRITORY PLAN 2024-04

Changes to public land overlay boundaries

This minor plan amendment was prepared
under part 5.3 of the *Planning Act 2023*

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Outline of the process

Minor plan amendment 2024-04 (MA 2024-04) to the Territory Plan is a minor plan amendment (MA) prepared under section 84 (1) (b) and section 87 of the *Planning Act 2023* (the Act).

Section 84 of the Act outlines the different types of MAs, some which require limited consultation to be undertaken and some which do not require consultation. This MA is consistent with the provisions under section 84 (1) (b) and 87 of the Act and therefore no consultation is needed.

Under Section 85 of the Act this type of MA can only be made if the MA is not inconsistent with the planning strategy or any relevant district strategy

The MA is not inconsistent with the Planning Strategy 2018 or the Tuggeranong District Strategy.

The National Capital Authority will receive a copy of this MA.

For more information on the content of the Territory Plan and minor plan amendment processes please refer to the planning website:
www.planning.act.gov.au/professionals/our-planning-system/the-territory-plan/amendments-to-the-territory-plan

1.2 Summary of the proposal

MA2024-04 proposes to amend the Territory Plan Map to change the public land 'Pd – a special purpose reserve' (Pd) overlay at Tuggeranong part rural block 1411 and Gordon section 455 part block 1 (the site). This will allow for the proposed use of the site as a formal and enclosed dog park.

The Conservator of Flora and Fauna wrote pursuant to section 384 of the *Planning Act 2023* to recommend that the Territory Plan be amended to remove the Pd overlay from parts of the site.

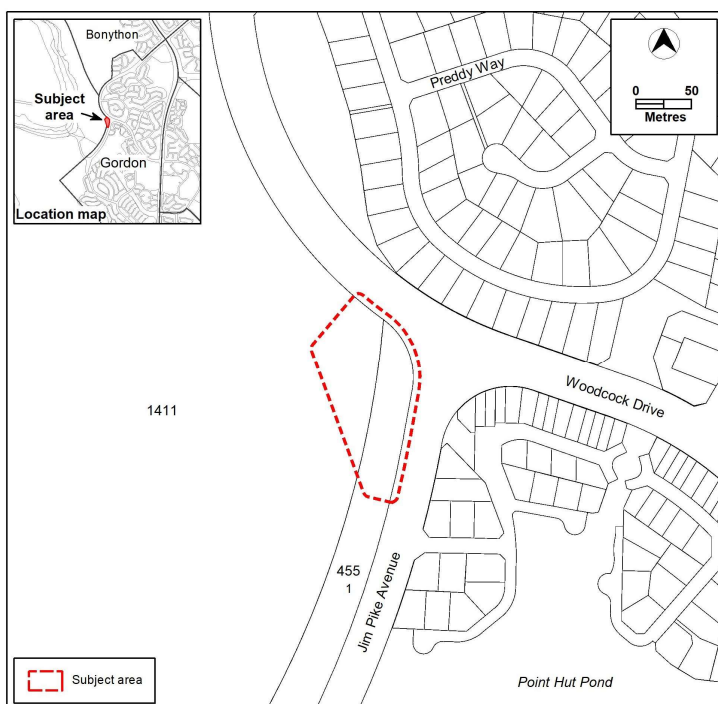
2.0 TERRITORY PLAN CHANGES

Changes are being made to the Territory Plan Map to amend the Pd overlay at the site.

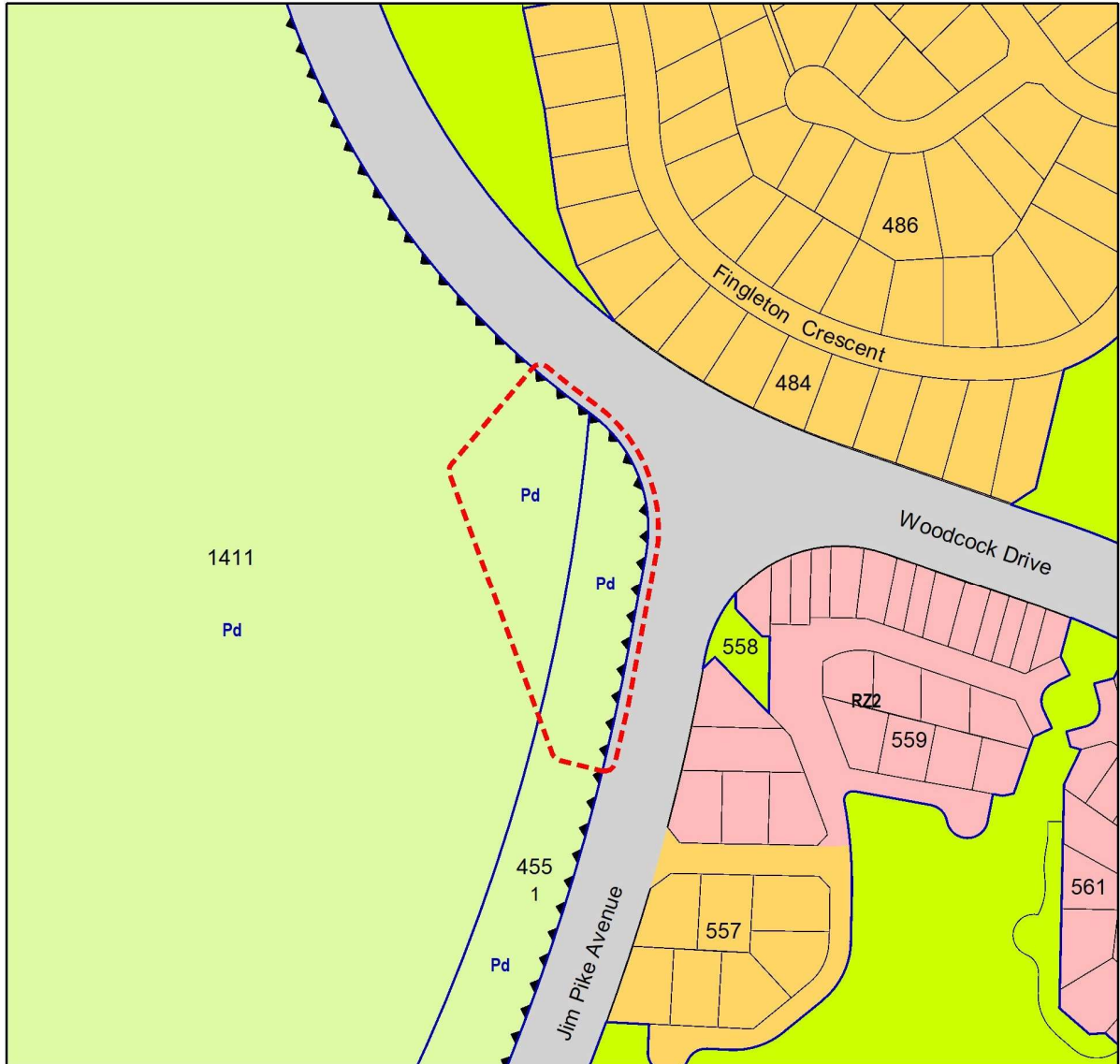
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Location map




Existing Territory Plan Map




Territory Plan Zones and Overlays

 Subject area


Residential:

-  RZ1 - Suburban
-  RZ2 - Suburban Core

Parks and Recreation:


-  PRZ1 - Urban Open Space
(includes Pe urban open space overlay)

Transport and Services:



-  TSZ1 - Transport

Non-Urban:

-  NUZ4 - River Corridor

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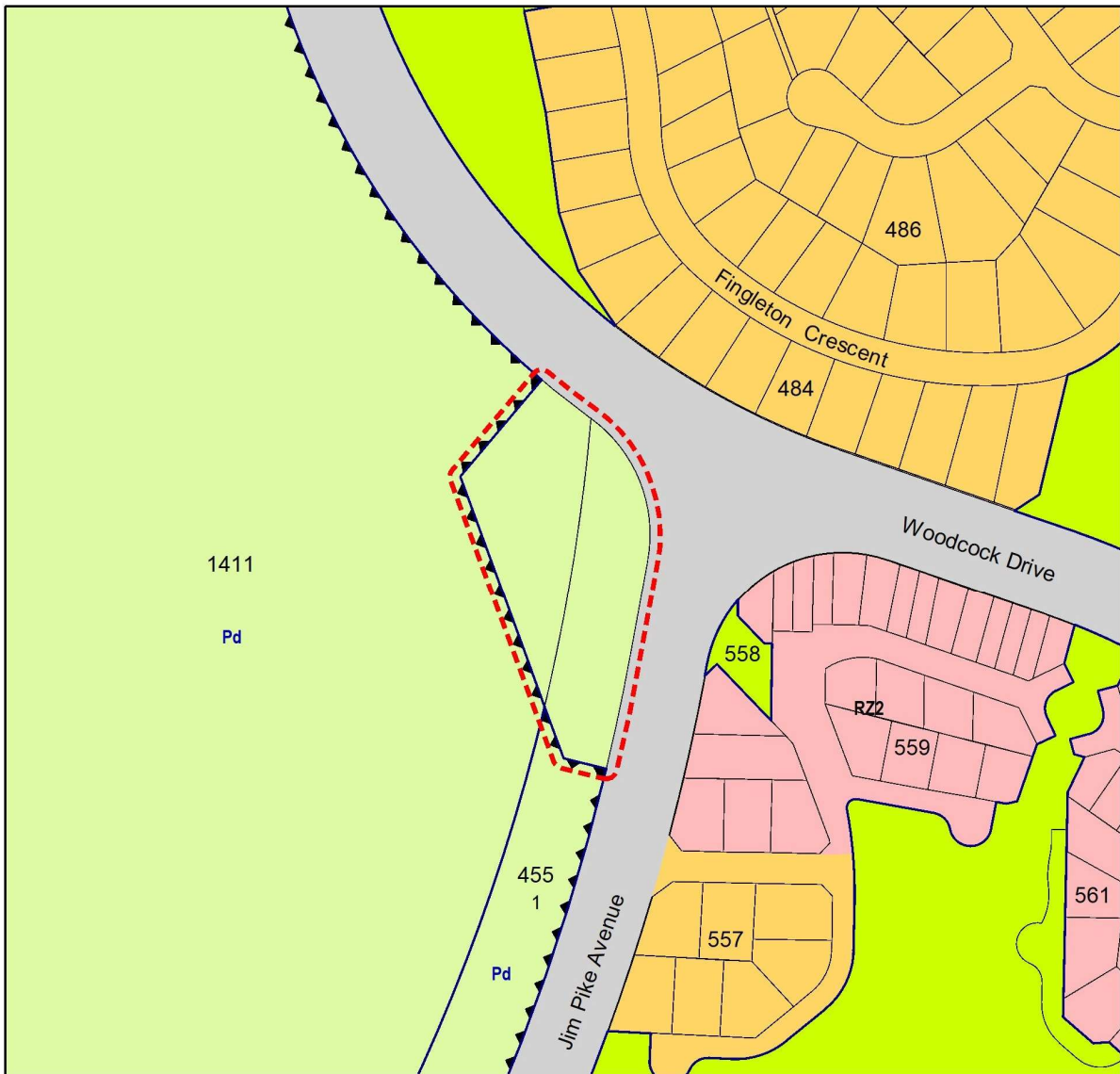
Type of Public Land Reserve:

-  Pd - a special purpose reserve
-  Pe - an urban open space




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

Proposed Territory Plan Map




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
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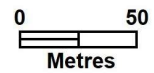
Non-Urban:

-  NUZ4 - River Corridor

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- Pd - a special purpose reserve
- Pe - an urban open space



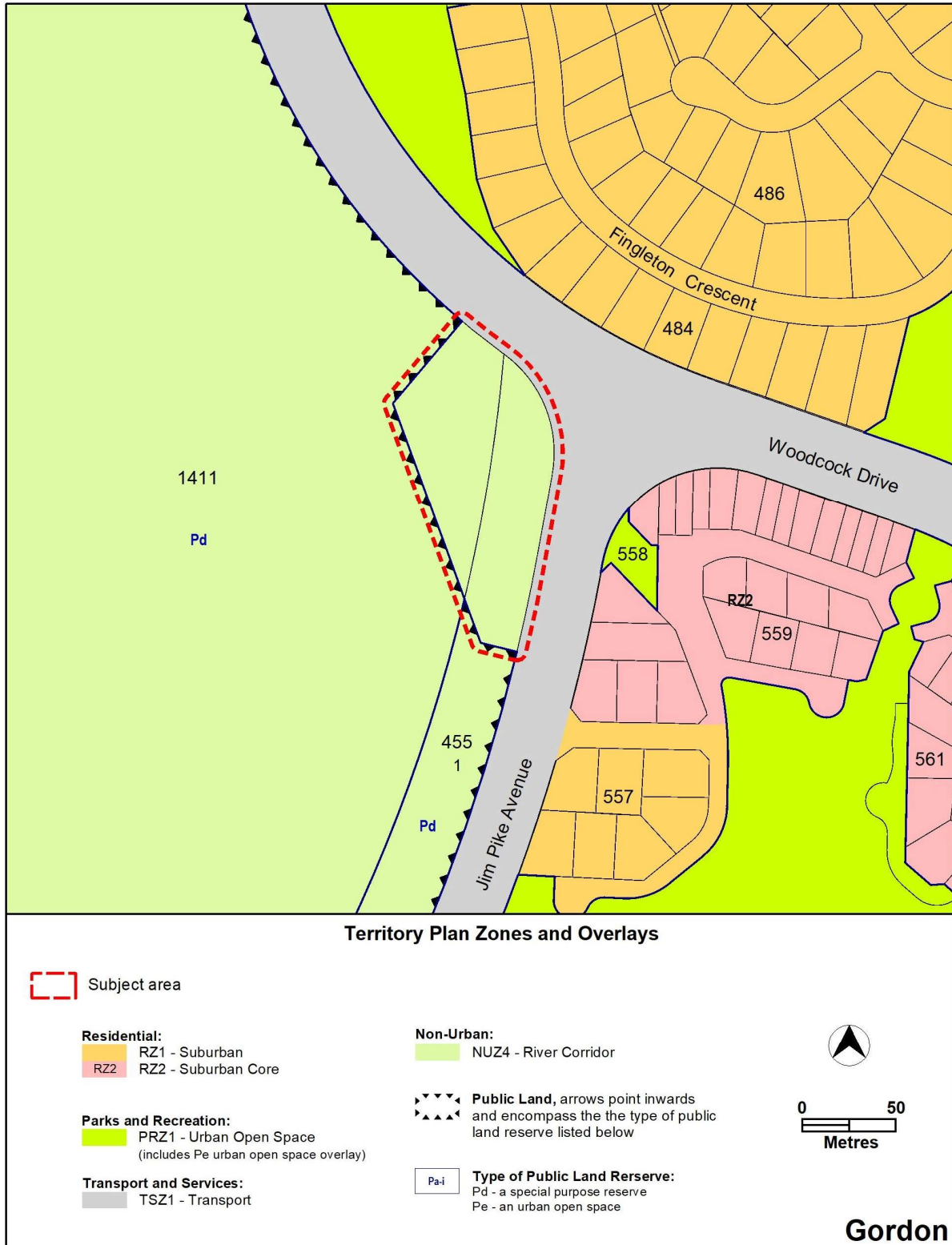
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3.0 TERRITORY PLAN AMENDMENT

3.1 Amendment to the Territory Plan Map

1. Territory Plan Map

The relevant part of the Territory Plan map is varied as indicated below.



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To: Coghill, Stacey
Cc: Taylor, Karen; Koch, Richard; Henty, Richmond
Subject: RE: PCS FOR URGENT ACTION: DUE - 241213 - 24/134144 - DLO Request - Cheyne
- INPUT FOR TCCS - Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

OFFICIAL

Good morning Stacey,

I provided the dot points currently in the Word Doc. I spoke about the asset that TCCS is building (the new dog park at Lanyon on the corner of Woodcock and Jim Pike.)

TCCS don't have any plans for the existing off leash area at Point Hut as it is an EPSDD asset. I believe Richard Koch was involved in earlier conversations regarding the existing site.

Thank you!

Kind Regards,

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Cc: Taylor, Karen <Karen.Taylor@act.gov.au>
Subject: FW: PCS FOR URGENT ACTION: DUE - 241213 - 24/134144 - DLO Request - Cheyne - INPUT FOR TCCS - Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

OFFICIAL

Good Morning Brooke

See below DLO request. This has come to us for input specifically on the question highlighted yellow below. I can pull some info from the supporting report you provided in support of the Territory plan amendment but wonder if you would have more info on intended plans for the current dog exercise area further to the below? This is due Friday if you can possible let me know asap. Apologies for the short turn around this has only come to me this morning. Give me a call if easier! 😊

From the supporting report

There is a need to introduce an official, fenced dog park which removes dogs from the centre of the biodiversity corridor as shown in Figure 4. By providing an area for dogs and the community, this will aid in constraining dogs to an appropriate area which will be maintained by TCCS. The dogs within the proposed dog park will be constrained by fences and therefore movement further afield will be reduced. This will allow biodiversity corridors to open up between existing flora and fauna. Refer Figure 4.

Many thanks
Stace

From: Daines, Nicholas <Nicholas.Daines@act.gov.au>

Sent: Tuesday, 10 December 2024 8:58 PM

To: EPSDD Environment <EPSDDEnvironment@act.gov.au>; Overall, James <James.Overall@act.gov.au>; Young, Wade <Wade.Young@act.gov.au>; Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>; Taylor, Karen <Karen.Taylor@act.gov.au>

Cc: Pegg, Stacey <Stacey.Pegg@act.gov.au>

Subject: RE: PCS FOR URGENT ACTION: DUE - 241213 - 24/134144 - DLO Request - Cheyne - INPUT FOR TCCS - Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

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Hi Anne

I don't think this is one for PCS, maybe more one for one of the planning areas, Karen do you have any idea?

If not we can reply as its my understanding that we have no intention of making changes to the existing dog of lead exercise area nearby...

Thanks
Nick Daines

From: EPSDD Environment <EPSDDEnvironment@act.gov.au>

Sent: Tuesday, 10 December 2024 4:48 PM

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Subject: PCS FOR URGENT ACTION: DUE - 241213 - 24/134144 - DLO Request - Cheyne - INPUT FOR TCCS - Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

Importance: High

OFFICIAL

Hi all,

This is a call for input for TCCS. **I'm not actually sure whether it is within PCS remit – please advise asap if not?**

If so, due to Bren by Thurs 12 Dec 24 ahead of submission back to DLO Michelle on Fri 13 Dec 24.

Thank you kindly,

Anne

Anne Flynn | Government Business Officer

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I acknowledge the traditional custodians of the ACT the Ngunnawal people, and their continuing connection to land and community. I pay my respect to them, and to the Elders both past and present.

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Sent: Tuesday, 10 December 2024 4:43 PM
To: EPSDD Environment <EPSDDEnvironment@act.gov.au>
Cc: EPSDD DLO <EPSDDDLLO@act.gov.au>
Subject: FOR URGENT ACTION: DUE - 241213 - 24/134144 - DLO Request - Cheyne - INPUT FOR TCCS - Point Hut Dog Exercise Area
Importance: High

OFFICIAL

Hello Anne

For urgent action please is a request for input from TCCS who are preparing a response to the below questions from Ms Nuttall, in relation to the Point Hut Dog Exercise area.

TCCS have requested this back please by COB Friday 13 December 2024. Thankfully we have the same advisor so MO approval prior is not required.

DUE: COB Friday 13 December 2024.

From: Nuttall, Laura <Laura.Nuttall@parliament.act.gov.au>
Sent: Monday, 9 December 2024 2:10 PM
To: CHEYNE <CHEYNE@act.gov.au>
Cc: NUTTALL <NUTTALL@parliament.act.gov.au>
Subject: Briefing Request: Lanyon Dog Park

Dear Naomi,

I hope you've had a lovely weekend!

I was hoping to request a briefing on the construction of Lanyon Dog Park and the potential impact it may have. Specifically, we would like to discuss questions sent to us by a constituent including:

-Why was the location for Lanyon Dog Park selected?

-Is there any intention to close or in any other way modify Point Hut Dog Exercise area? We have heard concern

-Are there any specific future plans for Point Hut Dog Exercise Area?

-How was the required size of Lanyon Dog Park determined?

I'd be grateful if you could let us know if this is possible, and whether there's a particular date and time that we

Best regards,

Laura

Kind regards
Michelle

Michelle O'Donnell | Directorate Liaison Officer

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From: STEEL
Sent: Thursday, 16 January 2025 3:09 PM
To: EPSDD DLO
Cc: Ferson, Brodie
Subject: DOT POINTS: Point Hut Dog Exercise Area / Lanyon Dog Park
Attachments: Nature Conservation Regulation 2015.pdf; ACTmapi image of Block 1411.png; Territory Plan with dog park overlay.png

Hey Andrew,

Could we please get some dot points for the matter below?

Many thanks,
Tee

From: Walker, BenM
Sent: Thursday, 16 January 2025 3:04 PM
To: STEEL
Subject: RE: Point Hut Dog Exercise Area / Lanyon Dog Park

Hi Brodie,

I am forwarding you some correspondence between us and Minister Cheyne's office as I believe the questions I am going to ask relate to planning. We're very interested in the below paragraph from Minister Cheyne's office about the Special Purpose Reserve and the prohibition of dogs where the Point Hut Dog Exercise Area is located. I would appreciate any advice as I don't yet have a great understanding of the planning space.

The location known as Point Hut Exercise Area, that is recognised as an unofficial dog park, is officially marked as being A Special Purpose Reserve prohibiting dogs from the site. That said, Parks and Conservation have no current intentions to restrict dogs in this area. EPSDD will investigate what actions need to be taken to ensure that the unofficial off-leash area to the north of the block is compliant with the Territory Plan.

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Thanks,

Ben Walker

Senior Adviser

Office of Taimus Werner-Gibbings, MLA for Brindabella

ACT Legislative Assembly, London Circuit, Canberra ACT 2601

E: BenM.Walker@parliament.act.gov.au P: 02 6205 1963

From: CHEYNE <CHEYNE@act.gov.au>

Sent: Thursday, 19 December 2024 4:41 PM

To: TAIMUS.WG <TAIMUS.WG@parliament.act.gov.au>

Subject: Point Hut Dog Exercise Area / Lanyon Dog Park

Hi Ben

Thank you for following up and I am sorry for the delay in our office responding.

City Services has advised the following, and I have highlighted the most relevant to your query.

As you may be aware, in 2020 the ACT Government made a commitment to deliver a new fenced, off-leash dog park in Lanyon Valley to provide more spaces for dog owners in south Tuggeranong to exercise and socialise their dogs off-leash.

These fenced off-leash dog exercise areas contribute to the effective management of dogs in public spaces by providing controlled space where dogs can freely exercise and play. They also assist in alleviating the pressure on shared recreational areas.

The Lanyon Valley dog park was proposed to be a smaller, local dog park as there is an existing larger district level, fenced off-leash dog park on Mortimer Lewis Dive in Greenway which services the district.

Several sites were investigated as potential locations for a new dog park in Lanyon Valley based on criteria including the requirements of the TCCS Municipal Infrastructure Standards (MIS) that stipulate setbacks and offsets required when choosing appropriate locations for fenced off-leash dog parks and consideration of access and parking facilities. The MIS requires dog parks to be a minimum of 6,000 square metres which generally serve as a district level park, however smaller sites at a local level may be considered on their merit. The size of the Lanyon dog park is 3,630m².

Public consultation on preferred site and concept design was undertaken in 2022 via online surveys and community pop-up session. The consultation found a high level of support for the current site on the corner of Woodcock Drive and Jim Pyke Avenue, Gordon with 81% of survey respondents supporting the design, proposed features and amenity inclusions.

The Point Hut Dog Exercise area site was considered for the new fenced off-leash dog park, however, it was not deemed suitable for several reasons:

- It would require users to cross the Bicentennial National Trail which raised concerns with equestrian users from the increase of dogs crossing the trail and potential safety issues for horses that can be spooked by dogs.
- The distance from the road would mean a lack of passive surveillance (oversight from general public) which could attract unsociable use and vandalism of the new infrastructure.
- Lack of safe parking options for parking provision on Woodcock Drive
- The proximity to a biodiversity corridor

The site at the corner of Jim Pike Avenue and Woodcock Drive in Gordon was deemed the most suitable as it met specific criteria including appropriate block size and landform, suitable land zoning, access, safe parking opportunities, proximity to services, good passive surveillance and sufficient distance from residential dwellings to minimise noise concerns.

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The Lanyon Valley dog park is expected to be open to the community in winter 2025, weather permitting. More information, including maps and design features can be found here:

<https://www.cityservices.act.gov.au/Infrastructure-Projects/tuggeranong/lanyon-dog-park2>

I trust this information is useful.

Kind regards
Naomi

Naomi Treloar
Office Manager and Adviser | Office of Tara Cheyne MLA

Member for Ginninderra

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From: TAIMUS.WG <TAIMUS.WG@parliament.act.gov.au>

Sent: Thursday, 19 December 2024 11:38 AM

To: CHEYNE <CHEYNE@act.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Point Hut Dog Exercise Area / Lanyon Dog Park

Hi Team Cheyne,

I wanted to follow up on this one. Do we have any points that may assist Taimus in responding to James questions?

With thanks,

Ben Walker
Senior Adviser
Office of Taimus Werner-Gibbings, MLA for Brindabella
ACT Legislative Assembly, London Circuit, Canberra ACT 2601

E: BenM.Walker@parliament.act.gov.au

From: TAIMUS.WG
Sent: Friday, 22 November 2024 3:52 PM
To: CHEYNE <CHEYNE@act.gov.au>
Subject: FW: Point Hut Dog Exercise Area / Lanyon Dog Park

Dear Minister Cheyne

Taimus would appreciate advice from your directorate on the future of the Point Hut Dog Park and the construction of the new Lanyon Dog Park. The correspondence from his constituent is attached.

Regards

Margaret Watt
Adviser

Office of Taimus Werner-Gibbings MLA

Labor MLA for Brindabella

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From: Sch 2.2(a)(ii) >
Sent: Tuesday, 19 November 2024 8:35 PM
To: TAIMUS.WG <TAIMUS.WG@parliament.act.gov.au>
Subject: Point Hut Dog Exercise Area / Lanyon Dog Park

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Good evening Taimus

Congratulations on your election success.

I am writing to you as MLA for the Brindabella electorate which encompasses Gordon and the Lanyon Valley.

You will be aware that the ACT Government is currently building a new dog park (Lanyon Dog Park) on the corner of Woodcock Drive and Jim Pike Avenue in Gordon.

This project has caused a lot of questions; firstly why build there? Right next to Canberra's best dog park facility, Point Hut Dog Exercise Area which for many years has been a valuable local facility. No doubt you

have seen many cars parked along Woodcock Drive, as no parking is available for those living too far away to walk to the Point Hut Dog Exercise Area. Even the siting of the new dog parks carpark is in the wrong place.

Secondly, and most importantly, what is the ACT Government's intentions for the future of the Point Hut Dog Exercise Area? There is a serious local concern that the siting of the new Lanyon Dog Park signals an intent to deny the community access to what has been built into a focus of community activity, where owners and their dogs can enjoy nature.

Whilst the ACT Parks and Conservation occasionally mow some areas of Point Hut Dog Exercise Area and maintain fences/gates etc. There has not been facilities provided by the ACT Government. The community installed the water tank, and benches and have done their own "clean-up" days; demonstrating the love the community have for this local recreation site.

Whilst the decision to build a woefully undersized new dog park on the doorstep, instead of deliver parking and improvements to the existing asset is puzzling and concerning. Can you please as our newly elected representative in the Lanyon Valley, please establish what plans if any the ACT Government has for the Point Hut Dog Exercise Area?

The dog lovers of the Lanyon Valley, would very much like to hear confirmation that they will not lose the best dog park in the ACT.

Sch 2.2(a)(ii)

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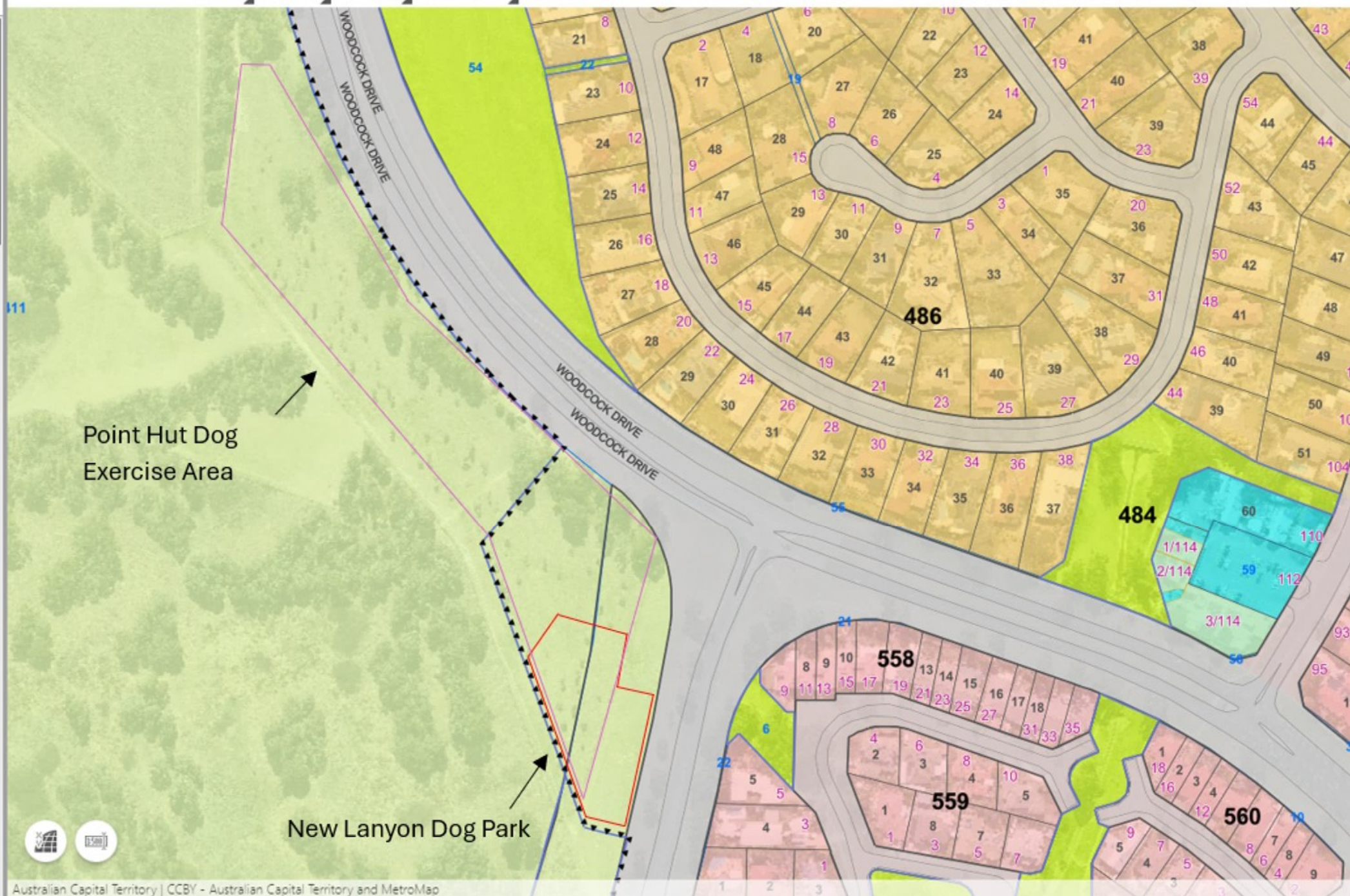
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Territory Plan Map



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Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

New Lanyon Dog Park



Out of Scope

From: Taylor, Karen

Sent: Monday, 20 January 2025 9:27 AM

To: Daines, Nicholas <Nicholas.Daines@act.gov.au>; Overall, James <James.Overall@act.gov.au>

Subject: RE: OCFF & PCS: PUP requests our input // 25/0007664 - DLO Request - Steel - ADVICE FOR MO - Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

Hey Nick!

OCFF doesn't have much on this. James?

As PCS is the land custodian for the unofficial dog park, please can we seek PCS input and advice regarding compliance matters, as well as any plans for decommissioning and rehabilitation of the site.

Thanks,

Karen Taylor

A/g Conservator Liaison

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I acknowledge the Ngunnawal people as traditional custodians of the ACT and recognise any other people or families with connection to the lands of the ACT and region. I acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of this city and this region.

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Sent: Monday, 20 January 2025 8:46 AM
To: Overall, James <James.Overall@act.gov.au>; Taylor, Karen <Karen.Taylor@act.gov.au>
Subject: RE: OCFF & PCS: PUP requests our input // 25/0007664 - DLO Request - Steel - ADVICE FOR MO - Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

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Hey just checking one or both of you are on this one? Just conscious it needs to go to Rachel tomorrow

Cheers
Nick

From: EPSDD Environment <EPSDDEnvironment@act.gov.au>
Sent: Friday, 17 January 2025 5:24 PM
To: ConservatorFloraFauna <ConservatorFloraFauna@act.gov.au>; Taylor, Karen <Karen.Taylor@act.gov.au>; Coghill, Stacey <Stacey.Coghill@act.gov.au>; Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>; Daines, Nicholas <Nicholas.Daines@act.gov.au>; Young, Wade <Wade.Young@act.gov.au>; Overall, James <James.Overall@act.gov.au>
Cc: EPSDD Environment <EPSDDEnvironment@act.gov.au>; KalebDumic, Leanne <Leanne.KalebDumic@act.gov.au>
Subject: OCFF & PCS: PUP requests our input // 25/0007664 - DLO Request - Steel - ADVICE FOR MO - Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

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Hi OCFF & PCS,

PuP require our input into their DLO request 25/0007664 – ADVICE FOR MO – Point Hut Dog Exercise Area.

I've attached a recent DLO request that is very similar – this hopefully will be a cut and paste job.

Please pop your input in this doc in the attached Obj file:



Response to DLO Request - OCFF & PCS INPUT

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INPUT due for Rachael's clearance next Tues 21 Jan 25 at 12pm ahead of submission back to PuP by COB that same day.

Cheers and have a great weekend.

Anne

Anne Flynn | Government Business Officer

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I acknowledge the traditional custodians of the
ACT the Ngunnawal people, and their continuing
connection to land and community. I pay my respect
to them, and to the Elders both past and present.



From: EPSDD DLO <EPSDDDLO@act.gov.au>

Sent: Friday, 17 January 2025 3:46 PM

To: EPSDD PlanningUrbanPolicy <EPSDDPlanningUrbanPolicy@act.gov.au>; EPSDD DLO <EPSDDDLO@act.gov.au>;
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Subject: RE: REQ FOR INPUT // 25/0007664 - DLO Request - Steel - ADVICE FOR MO - Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

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Hi all,

I would be very grateful if both the PCS and PUP input could be captured in this one DLO request please.

Please ensure that the PCS input is clearly identified in the response, as we'll need to clear this through Minister Cheyne's Office prior to providing to the Steel Office.

Hopefully this makes sense but please let me know if not.

Thank you.

Regards,
Andrew

Andrew Spain | Directorate Liaison Officer

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From: Schreurs, Ailsa <Ailsa.Schreurs@act.gov.au> **On Behalf Of** EPSDD PlanningUrbanPolicy

Sent: Friday, 17 January 2025 3:38 PM

To: EPSDD DLO <EPSDDDLO@act.gov.au>; EPSDD Environment <EPSDDEnvironment@act.gov.au>

Cc: EPSDD PlanningUrbanPolicy <EPSDDPlanningUrbanPolicy@act.gov.au>

Subject: REQ FOR INPUT // 25/0007664 - DLO Request - Steel - ADVICE FOR MO - Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

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Hi Andrew / Anne

Seeking input from EHP – PCS team for this DLO request please and thanks -

For: [25/0007664 - DLO Request - Steel - ADVICE FOR MO - Point Hut Dog Exercise Area](#)

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In track changes at the link please, **due back to PUP COB Tuesday 21 January** if possible please.

Thanks,
Ailsa

From: EPSDD, Planning Coordination <planningcoordination@act.gov.au>
Sent: Friday, 17 January 2025 3:24 PM
To: EPSDD PlanningUrbanPolicy <EPSDDPlanningUrbanPolicy@act.gov.au>
Cc: Maxwell, Brad <Brad.Maxwell@act.gov.au>; Thompson, Chris <Chris.Thompson@act.gov.au>
Subject: FW: FOR ACTION, due 22/01 - 25/0007664 - DLO Request - Steel - ADVICE FOR MO - Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

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Hi Ailsa,

The TP&C team (thanks Chris for preparing!) has provided input responding to the DLO request. The dot points relate to the Lanyon Dog Park that was the subject of minor amendment MA2024-04 which commenced on 7 December 2024.

The DLO also requested information about previous advice provided by TCCS, which states: *EPSDD will investigate what actions need to be taken to ensure that the unofficial off-leash area to the north of the block is compliant with the Territory Plan.*

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Many thanks

Regards

Janine

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Sent: Thursday, 16 January 2025 4:00 PM
To: EPSDD, Planning Coordination <planningcoordination@act.gov.au>
Cc: Maxwell, Brad <Brad.Maxwell@act.gov.au>; EPSDD PlanningUrbanPolicy <EPSDDPlanningUrbanPolicy@act.gov.au>
Subject: FOR ACTION, due 22/01 - 25/0007664 - DLO Request - Steel - ADVICE FOR MO - Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

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Hi TPC team

Please see attached DLO **request for advice** at the link:

- [25/0007664 - DLO Request - Steel - ADVICE FOR MO - Point Hut Dog Exercise Area](#)

Further information can be found in the emails at the objective link.

Could you please complete and return to **PUP inbox by COB Wednesday 22nd January** to allow time for exec clearances.

Note: I have included this in your team's OneNote for tracking.

If there will be any issues with this timeframe, or it needs input from elsewhere/redirection, please let us know.

Thank you
Ailsa

From: EPSDD DLO <EPSDDDLO@act.gov.au>
Sent: Thursday, 16 January 2025 3:42 PM
To: EPSDD PlanningUrbanPolicy <EPSDDPlanningUrbanPolicy@act.gov.au>
Cc: EPSDD DLO <EPSDDDLO@act.gov.au>
Subject: FOR ACTION: DUE - 250124 - 25/0007664 - DLO Request - Steel - ADVICE FOR MO - Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

Hi team

For action please is a request from the MO for some dots points on the Point Hut Dog Exercise Area and its compliance with the Territory Plan.

Further background/context is provided in the email trail from MO.

Due back to me appropriately cleared please by 24 January 2025.

Thank you.

Regards,
Andrew

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Response to DLO Request

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Background:

- Whether dogs are permitted on or off-lead is determined under the *Nature Conservation (Pine Island and Point Hut Crossing Reserves) Activities Declaration 2015*, which states that “Dogs off leash at Point Hut Crossing as signposted. Dogs on leash as signposted”. This is consistent with the *Murrumbidgee River Corridor Plan of Management 1999* which states that “off-lead exercise areas are sign posted at ...Point Hut Crossing”.
- Some dog off-lead areas will remain at swimming areas at Point Hut Crossing despite the changes to the “unofficial dog park” becoming an on-lead area.

Response:

- Once the new Lanyon Dog Park is functional and usage normalised by the community, PCS will remove off-lead dog signage on the existing “unofficial dog park” area and allow it to natural recover from disturbance. That is to say, PCS does not intend to reduce off-lead dog exercise in the area until a new off-lead area is established.
- Under the Activities Declaration, that is the only change required to alter areas permitted for off-lead use, as well as an administrative change to the ACTMapi website for dog exercise areas.
- PCS will investigate any further rehabilitation and compliance needs once the signs have been removed.



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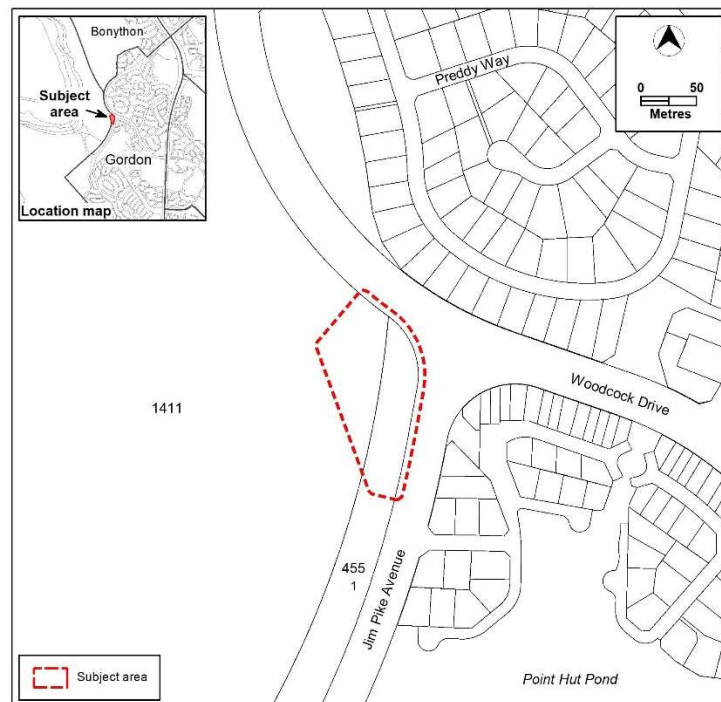
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Subject: Point Hut Dog Exercise Area and its compliance with the Territory Plan

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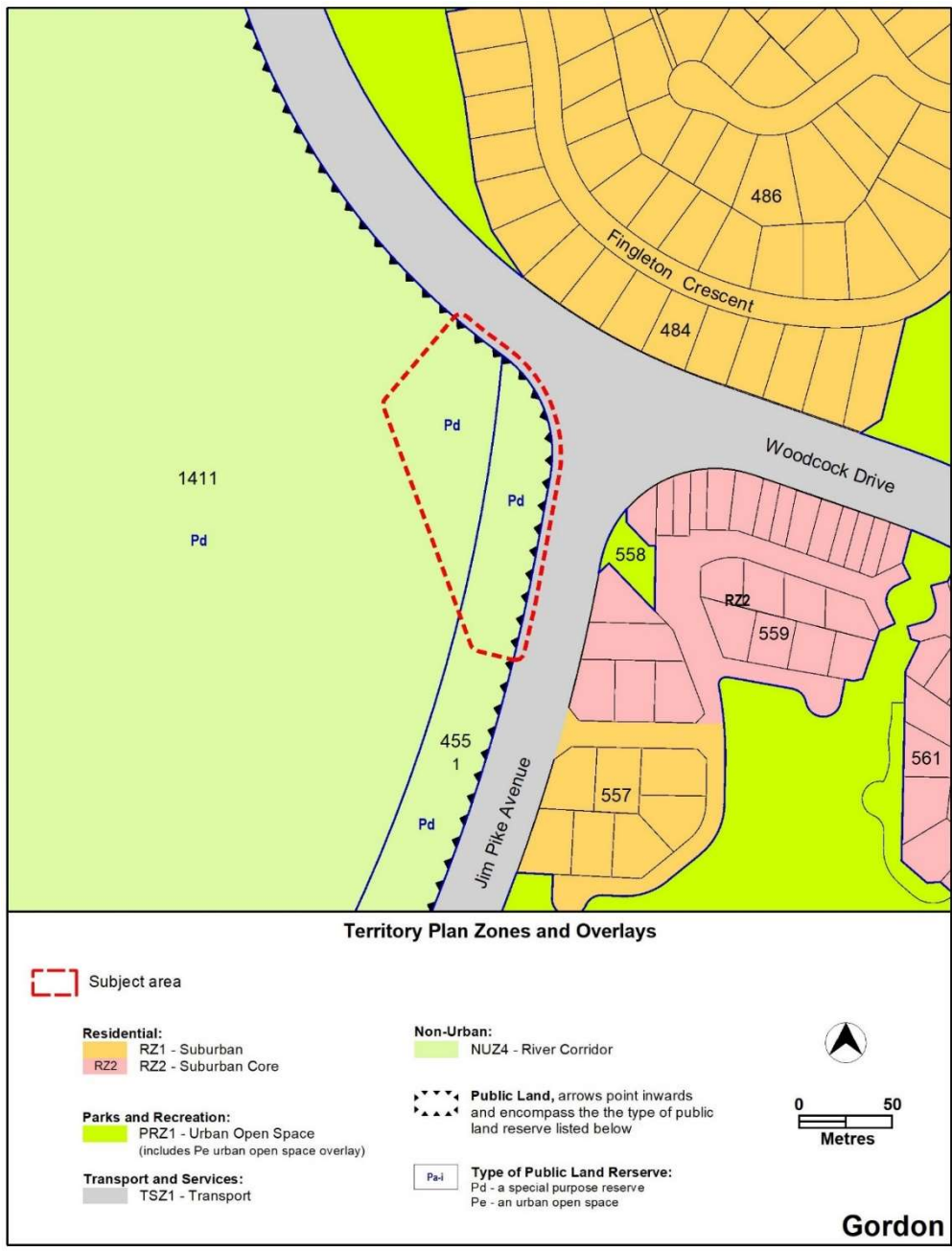
- The Territory Plan Map was amended to remove part of the special purpose reserve overlay at Tuggeranong rural block 1411 and Gordon section 455 block 1. The purpose of this minor amendment is to enable development of a formal dog park on land of low environmental value to replace the existing adjoining informal dog park. This will allow the rehabilitation of the site of the informal dog park, which is of higher environmental value.
- On 9 September 2024 the Conservator of Flora and Fauna wrote to the Territory Planning Authority to recommend that the Territory Plan be amended to change the 'Pd - a special purpose reserve' at Tuggeranong rural block 1411 and Gordon section 455 block 1 (the site) to enable development of a formal dog exercise park.



- Minor amendment 2024-04 (MA2024-04) amended the Territory Plan Map to change the public land 'Pd – a special purpose reserve' (Pd) at the site.
- The boundary change is consistent with detailed investigations and an Environmental Significance Opinion that revealed the site is no longer of significance and, therefore, it no longer needed to be part of the special purpose reserve.

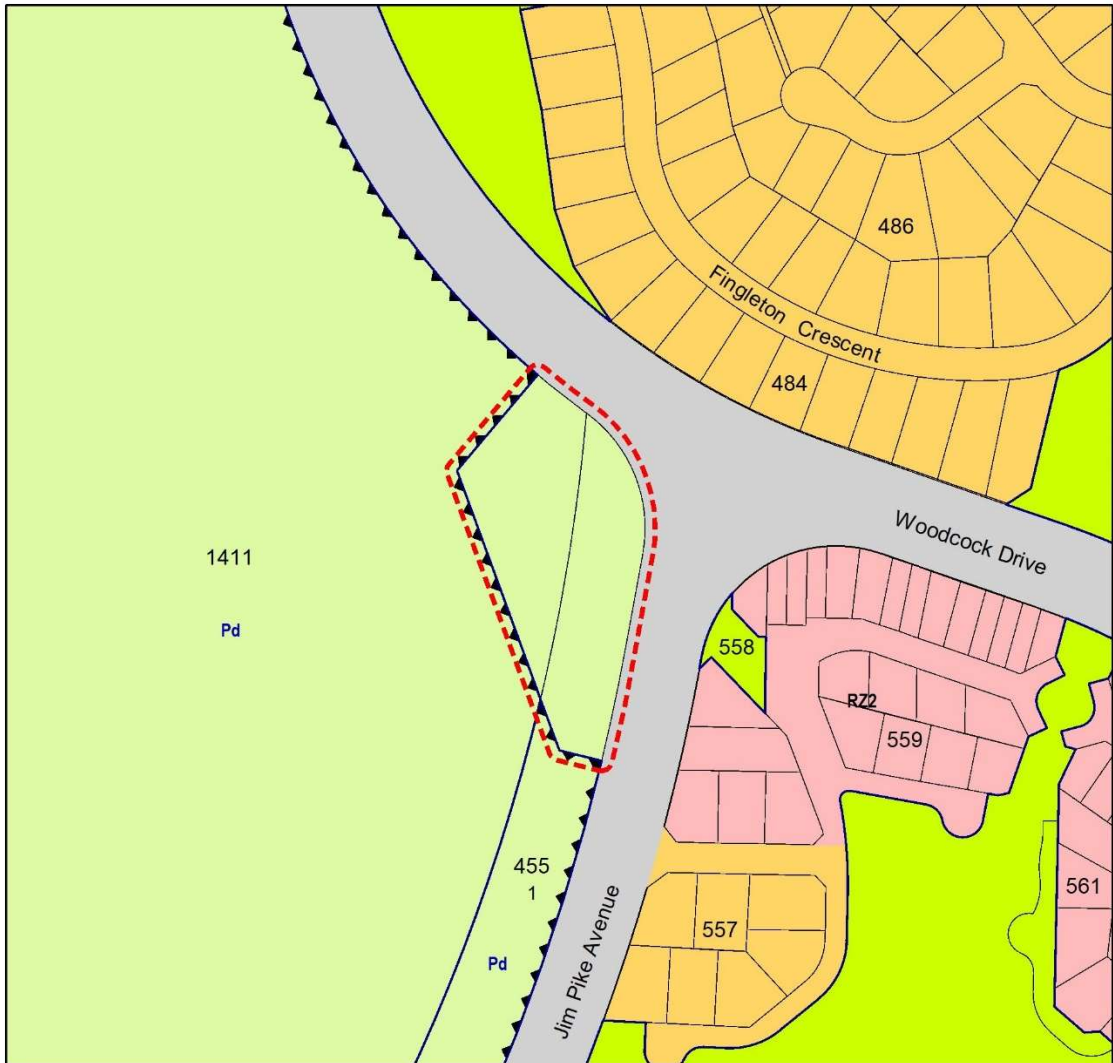


- The site is zoned non-urban NUZ4 River Corridor. MA2024-04 made no changes to zoning.
- MA2024-04 took effect on 7 December 2024 and is available on the ACT Legislation Register: <https://www.legislation.act.gov.au/ni/2024-687/>
- Territory Plan Map prior to MA2024-04:





- Territory Plan Map following MA2024-04



Territory Plan Zones and Overlays

Subject area

Residential:
 RZ1 - Suburban
 RZ2 - Suburban Core

Parks and Recreation:
 PRZ1 - Urban Open Space
 (includes Pe urban open space overlay)

Transport and Services:
 TSZ1 - Transport

Non-Urban:
 NUZ4 - River Corridor

Public Land, arrows point inwards and encompass the the type of public land reserve listed below

Type of Public Land Reserve:
 Pd - a special purpose reserve
 Pe - an urban open space



Gordon

From: Clement, SophieJ
Sent: Friday, 7 February 2025 4:40 PM
To: Watts, Michaela; Pegg, Stacey; Toovey, Brooke
Cc: KalebDumic, Leanne; Hauzer, Angela; Henty, Richmond
Subject: RE: Lanyon Dog Park_Memorandum of Understanding. Block 1411 - Signed DI.pdf
Attachments: Lanyon Dog Park_Memorandum of Understanding. Block 1411 - Signed DI.pdf

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

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Hi Michaela, thank you - very much appreciated. I will check with the team regarding the dog layer map.

Brooke/ RH - see attached. Could you also come back to me directly on the dog exercise areas mapping. Thank you

Thanks,
Sophie

-----Original Message-----

From: Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>
Sent: Thursday, 6 February 2025 4:10 PM
To: Clement, SophieJ <SophieJ.Clement@act.gov.au>; Pegg, Stacey <Stacey.Pegg@act.gov.au>
Cc: KalebDumic, Leanne <Leanne.KalebDumic@act.gov.au>
Subject: Lanyon Dog Park_Memorandum of Understanding. Block 1411 - Signed DI.pdf

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Hey Sophie
Here is the signed MOU for you.
I trust the dog layer on ACTMAPi will be updated to reflect this too?
Kind regard
Michaela

Please find the PDF attached.
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Ms Michaela Watts
Executive Branch Manager
ACT Parks and Conservation Service
480 Northbourne Avenue
Dickson
ACT 2612

Dear Michaela,

RE: Lanyon Dog Park – Memorandum of Understanding

I am writing to you regarding Lanyon Dog Park on behalf of Transport Canberra and City Services (TCCS). This agreement is intended to outline the intent for TCCS to maintain the area outlined in Attachment 1 on behalf of Environment Planning Sustainable Development Directorate (EPSDD). The area is on Block 1411, which EPSDD currently maintains.

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) shall become effective upon signing, and is subject to the terms and conditions stated below between TCCS and EPSDD.

Purpose: The ACT Government is building a new fenced dog park in the Lanyon Valley to provide more spaces for dog owners in south Tuggeranong to exercise and socialise their dogs off-leash. Fenced dog exercise areas contribute to the effective management of dogs in public spaces by providing controlled space where dogs can freely exercise and play. They also assist in alleviating the pressure on shared recreational areas.

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to propose that TCCS maintains EPSDD's land, as shown in Attachment 1.

This relates to earlier agreements made between EPSDD and TCCS. Refer to Attachment 2.

Scope of Collaboration: The MoU sets forth the scope of collaboration between the parties. TCCS' intent is to maintain the land as previously agreed with EPSDD. TCCS will maintain sufficient clearance from the Bicentennial National Trail as previously agreed and continue to maintain the verge as this is TCCS land.

Roles and Responsibilities: Upon signing of this MoU, the agreement will state that TCCS will maintain the land as shown in the attached document (Attachment A). TCCS will mow the grass, treat the African Lovegrass and maintain the trees in this area in perpetuity. This MoU intends to transfer the maintenance responsibility of the land (identified in Attachment 1) from EPSDD to TCCS.



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Duration: Construction of Lanyon Dog Park commenced in October 2024 and the park is expected to open to the public in mid 2025. TCCS is proposing to commence maintaining the area in Attachment 1, effective immediately and until further notice.

Resources and Financial Commitment: Nil from EPSDD.

Governance and Decision Making: Governance of the dog park and surrounding fence area will be under TCCS governance. Any future proposed land changes will be at the discretion of EPSDD. TCCS recognises that the Agency does not own the land and are merely intending to maintain it to ensure a positive, collaborative approach for the new dog park until further notice.

Confidentiality: Not required

Signatures:

10/01/2025

Date

Sophie Clement
Executive Branch Manager
Infrastructure Delivery
Transport Canberra and City Services

14/01/2025

Date

Daniel Iglesias
Executive Branch Manager
City Services
Transport Canberra and City Services

29/01/2025

Date

Michaela Watts
Executive Branch Manager
ACT Parks and Conservation Services
Environment Planning Sustainable Development

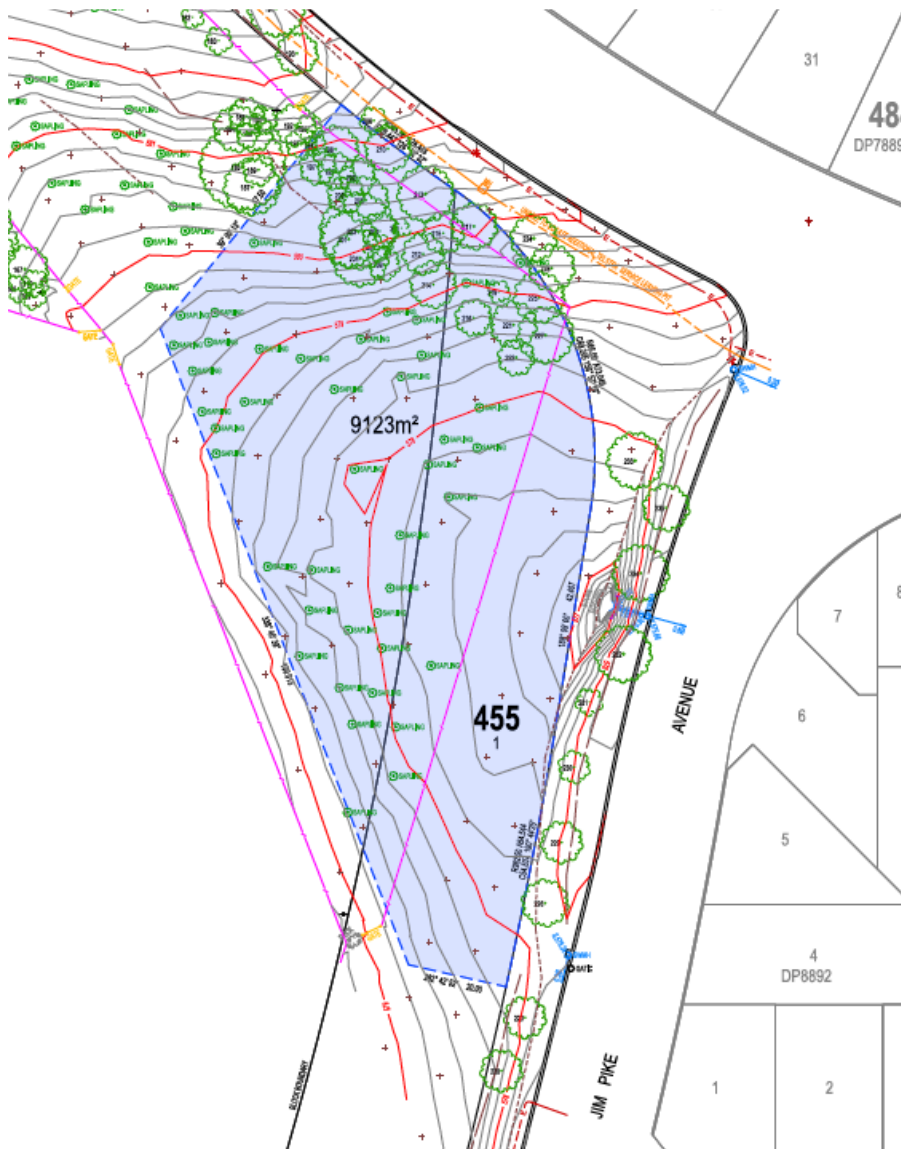


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Attachment 1: Site to be managed by TCCS

Blue line indicates fence line





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Attachment 2: Evidence of EPSDD support of land to be managed by TCCS

From: Clement, SophieJ <SophieJ.Clement@act.gov.au>
Sent: Thursday, 17 August 2023 2:07 PM
To: Larson, Eliza <Eliza.Larson@act.gov.au>
Cc: Henty, Richmond <Richmond.Henty@act.gov.au>; Hauzer, Angela <Angela.Hauzer@act.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Hi Eliza, thanks for the quick chat to clarify where this one is sitting.

Richmond/ Eliza - confirming the understanding that the following steps are where things are currently and agreed actions:

- The issue of the Nature Conservation Act (NCA) and the Domestic Animals Act (DAA) crossing over is a separate issue to this project which this project cannot resolve.
- TCCS will advise the area which they agree to take on management of – noting Richard Koch's recommended area in the map below
- TCCS will submit an ESO for undertaking works to deliver the Dog Park – which will need to be supported by PCS as the land custodian (PCS have indicated support for this) (and assuming this hasn't already been done?)
- Concurrently TCCS will work with PCS to transfer Land Custodianship to TCCS
- Concurrently TCCS will work Conservator's office to undertake TPV to remove the nature reserve overlay from this area
- TCCS can decide to proceed with a construction tender while these processes are underway if we are comfortable with the risk around approval of ESO coming whilst tender process is underway

Richmond/ Ange – this should provide confidence the design to be finalised and construction tender to be released while the above planning aspects are progressed and finalised.

Thanks,



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Sophie

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Sent: Thursday, 18 May 2023 3:44 PM

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Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Hi Richmond,

I can confirm that the below and attached area in blue is the area we propose to excise from the nature reserve and transfer to TCCS. This would also provide TCCS with the opportunity to have a dog walking area next to the dog park.

Some requirements to note:

- The existing Bicentennial trail must not be impacted, with at least a 6m setback between the existing fence and any dog park infrastructure
- Fencing the eastern side of the trail would be useful to demarcate TCCS/PCS land boundary
- The current informal dog area within the reserve must be remediated (we can provide further info on this), with signage to make clear that dogs are not permitted.

Please let me know whether the proposed area is suitable for the park and any required utilities/access etc. and if you have any other comments. Once we're all on the same page I will seek some advice in terms of next steps and timeframes.



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Kind regards,

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Sent: Tuesday, 16 May 2023 7:04 PM

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Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Rough rendition. Red is National Trail. Blue is proposed reserve excision and TCCS custodianship. Allows for vehicle width at least, along trail. Follows actual trail location on the ground rather than mapped version, which is incorrect at northern end. Gates either end are within PCS-retained (Trail) area. Trail may ultimately require fencing (by TCCS) on its eastern side. Eastern edge of blue excision area follows current reserve boundary.

Doesn't address the nearby situation where we have (as at many other sites) a TCCS dog exercise area in a no-dogs PCS reserve, but I think this would be too big an ask, as we're just making changes to allow for this single development.

No guarantee this doesn't impinge on TCCS's existing design – would depend on whether they took the National Trail's existence into account from the outset (which I guess they did).



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Regards

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Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park



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Apologies for the misunderstanding - I thought we'd gone right back to the start !

Yep, that's a good plan Richard .

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Subject: Re: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

If it'll help avoid a meeting I can propose a boundary, which Ollie could potentially okay (for PCS at least). It would leave the (Bicentennial) National Trail in PCS custodianship. It wouldn't be based on any ecological assessment but I've visited and it doesn't look like any substantial values are affected.

Regards

Richard Koch

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Cotsell, Peter <Peter.Cotsell@act.gov.au>; Clement, SophieJ <SophieJ.Clement@act.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Hi Ollie,

Happy to request a TPV to excise the area, but we first need to determine the boundaries of the area to be excised. That is what we are meeting to discuss.

Cheers,

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Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

Hi All,

Sorry, I'm a little late to this discussion as I've been on leave. I'm not sure that we need to meet.

I thought that we has already come to an agreement on this last year. As land manager we are strongly supportive of this proposal, the construction of a formalised dog park next to the road would facilitate the closure of the ' unofficial' dog park further into the reserve which we currently manage , it's not our core business. In previous discussions it was proposed that for the development in question that the land custodianship be transferred to TCCS and/or be excised from the SPR – I can't recall who was going to action that.

There are no significant environmental values that will be compromised by this change, and it is absolutely the preferred outcome for us.

Thanks

Ollie

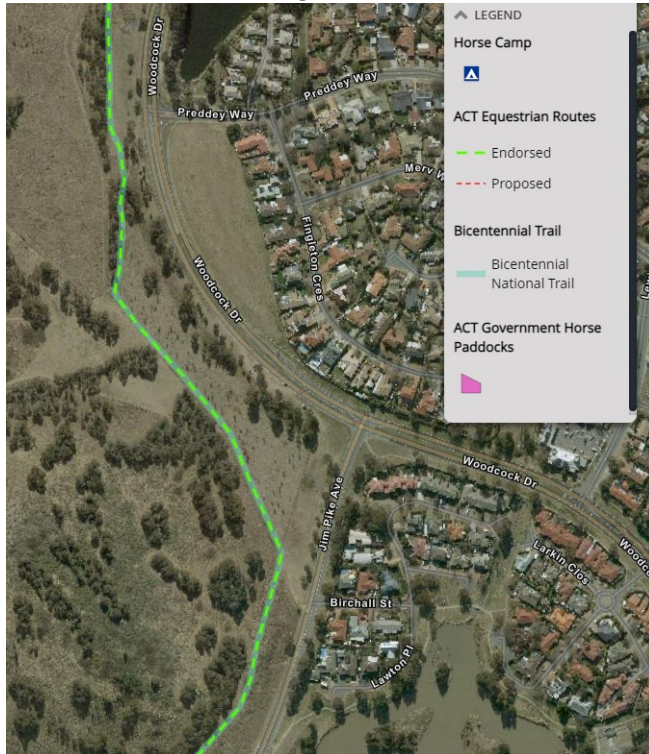
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Sent: Tuesday, 16 May 2023 11:56 AM
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Relevant to Thur meeting.



Regards

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Subject: RE: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park

So I now understand,
But this is what people are being told.



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Dog Exercise Areas

This map describes off-leash, conditional, prohibited and on-leash areas for dogs. For more information see [recreation.th.my.dog](#). Dogs must be kept on a leash on public land in the ACT unless otherwise indicated.

Dog Exercise Areas

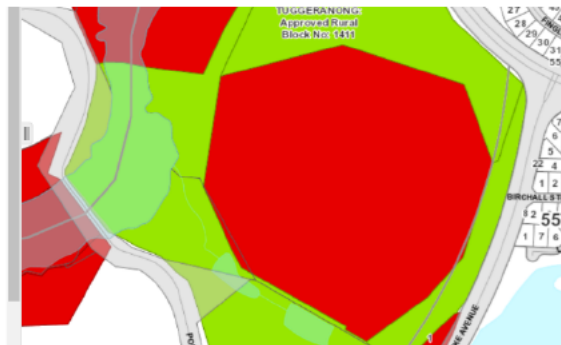
- Off Leash
- Conditional
- Prohibited
- Dogs On Leash (no colour)

Off Leash

Dogs are allowed off-leash in these areas but are still required to be under effective control at all times.

Conditional

Dogs may be off-leash in these areas as long as they meet the



Regards

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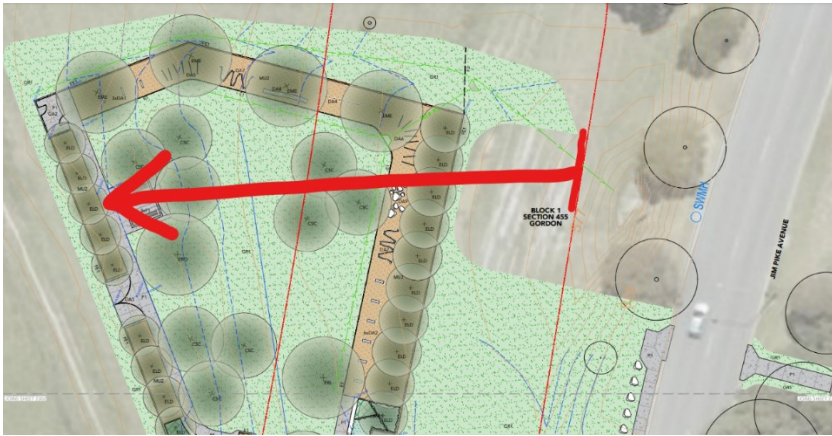
Hi Richmond

The area protected as a reserve under the *Nature Conservation Act* currently extends as shown by the red arrow below.



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Regards

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A little more detail for you all

Regards

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From: Larson, Eliza <Eliza.Larson@act.gov.au>

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To: Larson, Eliza; Larson, Eliza; Henty, Richmond; Watts, Michaela; Orgill, Oliver; Koch, Richard

Subject: Proposed Lanyon Dog Park



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When: Tuesday, 16 May 2023 3:00 PM-4:00 PM (UTC+10:00) Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney.

Where: Microsoft Teams Meeting

Hi all,

Meeting to discuss the proposed Lanyon Dog Park – cnr Jim Pike Avenue and Woodcock Drive, Gordon.

The proposed park is within a Special Purpose Reserve, and both activities declarations for the reserve prohibit dogs in the reserve.

A possible way forward is to excise the area from the nature reserve, which would require a Territory Plan Variation and a custodianship transfer.

PCS - Please have a think about what area might be appropriate to remove from the reserve, considering values etc.

Richmond – Please have a think about the total area required by the park including for access/fencing etc. I have put a snip below from the Yoursay website, but if you have any more recent plans this would be very useful.



The proposed design includes:

- 3630m² fenced dog park
- two airlock style entrance gates
- bike rail, bin and signage at entrance
- accessible gravel loop path
- small picnic shelter, seating and drinking fountain
- grass play area
- dog agility area
- area for dog training marquee or coffee van
- native trees for canopy cover
- 1.8 metre high black chain link fence
- crushed granite car park.

Thanks,

Eliza Larson

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Sent: Tuesday, 11 February 2025 2:16 PM

To: Stephenson, Charles <Charles.Stephenson@act.gov.au>; Daines, Nicholas <Nicholas.Daines@act.gov.au>

Cc: Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>

Subject: FW: OCF and PCS: HIGH PRIORITY - QTONs For Action (x2) - Minister for City and Government Services - Annual Report Hearings

Importance: High

Hey team!

Just wanted to check the direction of where we're headed before we submit this QTON for clearance formally. The last DLO request I saw in Dec (and the ensuing conversations) led me to believe that we were looking at continuing to allow large dogs to use that Point hut section of the block, as there were limited ecological values and wasn't high on the list of priorities for rehab/management works? (this was the content that Nic shared during Annual Report Hearings this morning):

Response:

- As part of the initial discussions around the location of the proposed Lanyon Dog Park, it was identified that the proposed site (Block 1411 TUGGERANONG) and surrounds that are currently used as an unofficial dog park, known as Point Hut Exercise Area has a Special Purpose Reserve overlay. A Special Purpose Reserve Overlay prohibits dogs from being allowed on site.
- The new formalised dog park will be contained by a fence on a small portion of the block, as shown in Figure 1. This section has been subject to a Minor Plan Amendment to remove the PD; Special Purpose Reserve overlay, which will mean that dogs would be permitted within the new dog park.
- The Office of the Conservator of Flora and Fauna provided an Environmental significance opinion (ESO202400037) under the *Planning Act 2023* for this project confirming it would have no significant ecological impacts on the area.
- The area currently in use as an unofficial dog exercise area will continue to be managed by PCS.
- The new designated and fenced dog park will be managed by TCCS.
- **There is no current intent to restrict dogs in the northern portion of the site, and EPSDD will investigate what actions need to be taken to ensure that the unofficial off-leash area to the north of the block is compliant with the Territory Plan.**

The most recent DLO request (25/0007664) seems to indicate that once the new dog park is established, the signs will be taken down and the area will be allowed to regenerate naturally with dogs being restricted.

Can we please clarify our position before this QTON goes for clearance?

Thanks!

Karen Taylor

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Cc: EPSDD Environment <EPSDDEnvironment@act.gov.au>; KalebDumic, Leanne <Leanne.KalebDumic@act.gov.au>; Pegg, Stacey <Stacey.Pegg@act.gov.au>

Subject: OCF and PCS: HIGH PRIORITY - QTONs For Action (x2) - Minister for City and Government Services - Annual Report Hearings

Importance: High

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Hi all,

This is a rough draft prepared by GS ahead of the official transcript. The official due date to GS will be within 5 days of the transcript being released.

In the meantime, can you please start drafting ASAP that would be appreciated.

@Burkevics, Bren for your visibility.

Thank you kindly,

QTON 01 – Member to Cheyne – Point Hut Dog Park

2023–2024

Answer to question taken on notice

Asked by: Deborah Morris MLA
Addressed to: Sophie Clement
In relation to: Point Hut Dog Park

Hearing: 11 February 2025
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Transcript provided: DD Month YYYY
Answer Due: DD February 2025

Sophie Clement took on notice the following question(s):

In the 2023 Territory Plan the Lanyon dog park land and the existing point hut dog exercise area have both been marked as special purpose reserves which prohibit dogs in the area. I’m just curious as to why that’s the case when there’s an existing dog park there and a new one currently under construction.
We are working with EPSDD and PCS to ensure that the dog park can run as a facility there and that it is within the requirements of the Territory. Plan
And does that apply to both of the dog parks?
The work that we are doing is just in relation to the new Lanyon enclosed dog park.
Are you able to say whether the Point Hut dog park will close when the new Lanyon dog park opens?
I think that sits with PCS so we will probably need to take that on notice whether the Point Hut dog park will remain open.

QTON 02 – Emerson to Cheyne – PCS Contracts

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2023–2024

Answer to question taken on notice

Asked by: Thomas Emerson MLA
Addressed to: Geoffrey Rutledge
In relation to: Parks and Conservation Ranger Employment

Hearing: DD Month YYYY
Uncorrected Proof Transcript pp ##–##
Transcript provided: DD Month YYYY
Answer Due: DD Month YYYY

Geoffrey Rutledge took on notice the following question(s):

Rutledge: Can you provide a breakdown of how many PCS rangers are employed on fixed term contracts compared to ongoing contracts?

Emerson: The only large intake of short-term contract workers are for our bush fire seasonal workers and they're put on a 10 month contract every year.

Rutledge: Is there a pathway for movement between those categories (bushfire workers who become permanently employed)?

Emerson: Roughly how many are employed on those contracts each year

Rutledge: Roughly about 30 but I can get that number for you exactly.

Cheers all,

Anne

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Subject: HIGH PRIORITY - QTONs For Action (x2) - Minister for City and Government Services - Annual Report Hearings

Importance: High

OFFICIAL

Good morning,

Please see attached Questions Taken on Notice (QTON) from the Select Committee on Budget Estimates 2023-2024 Hearing for the Minister for **XXX**.

- **QTON 01 - MEMBER - Cheyne - Point Hut Dog Park**
- **QTON 02 - EMERSON - Cheyne - PCS Contracts**

This is a rough draft to enable preparation of the response to begin. Government Services will update the wording in the template once the Committee provide the transcript.

Notes:

- The Hearing took place on 11 February 2025.
- Where a response to a question asked is available online, please insert a link in the response.
- **Please advise as soon as possible if you feel this is an incorrect allocation or if you require input from another Directorate.**

The due date will also be advised as soon as the Uncorrected Proof Transcript (UPT) is received, noting that the MO cleared response will be due to the Committee within 5 days of receiving the UPT.

Kind regards,
Cam

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From: Taylor, Karen
Sent: Thursday, 12 June 2025 11:25 AM
To: Coghill, Stacey
Subject: FW: Lanyon Dog Park: NUZ4
Attachments: 2023-540 (NUZ Policies).PDF; 2024-40 (Minimum Development Application Documentation).PDF; ESO - Lanyon Dog Park_V1.pdf

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Sent: Tuesday, 16 July 2024 12:15 PM
To: Taylor, Karen <Karen.Taylor@act.gov.au>
Subject: Lanyon Dog Park: NUZ4

Hi Karen,

Thank you so much for your time on the phone!

Please let me know if I can send you any further details to assist. The site is located on TCCS and EPSDD land. I have obtained a signed Form 4/LOA from both custodians. I have also attached the ESO and can confirm I lodged it last week.

As the site is NUZ4, my understanding is that parkland is permitted:

major road	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
major service conduits	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
minor road	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
minor use	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
municipal depot	Y	-	-	-	-
nature conservation area	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
outdoor education establishment	-	-	Y	-	-
outdoor recreation facility	Y	Y	Y	-	-
overnight camping facility	-	Y	-	-	Y
parkland	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
place of worship	Y	-	-	-	-
power generation station	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
residential care accommodation	Y	-	-	-	-

The definition of what's a park and an example is below.

parkland means the use of land for recreation, conservation or amenity purposes and includes facilities for the enjoyment and convenience of the public, such as kiosks, **car parks**, **shelters**, pavilions, public toilets and the like. The term also includes the use of the land for the management of stormwater drainage, for *community path systems* and landscape buffers, and for other *minor utility* purposes where such uses can be integrated into the open space system. It has unrestricted public access.

- botanic gardens and public arboretum
- hilltop reserve
- lake, rivershore reserve
- picnic area
- playground
- public park**
- public lookout
- recreational reserve
- regional park**
- town park**

Any questions, please reach out.

Kind Regards,

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To: Toovey, Brooke <Brooke.Toovey@act.gov.au>
Subject: FW: RE: Lanyon Dog Park - Approach to Market Timeframe, New DA Application and Pending Items for TCCS Approval

Hi Brooke,

NUZ4, parkland is permitted.

major road	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
major service conduits	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
minor road	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
minor use	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
municipal depot	Y	-	-	-	-
nature conservation area	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
outdoor education establishment	-	-	Y	-	-
outdoor recreation facility	Y	Y	Y	-	-
overnight camping facility	-	Y	-	-	Y
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place of worship	Y	-	-	-	-
power generation station	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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- botanic gardens and public arboretum
- hilltop reserve
- lake, rivershore reserve
- picnic area
- playground
- public park
- public lookout
- recreational reserve
- regional park
- town park

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Out of Scope

-----Original Message-----

From: Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>

Sent: Monday, 20 January 2025 11:28 AM

To: Orgill, Oliver <Oliver.Orgill@act.gov.au>; Stratford, Simon <Simon.Stratford@act.gov.au>; Taylor, Karen <Karen.Taylor@act.gov.au>

Subject: FW: FOR REVIEW/ACTION: Lanyon Dog Park_Memorandum of Understanding. Block 1411 (A48543689)

OFFICIAL

Any thoughts on this? MOU seems a reasonable way to go with another Directorate. Keen to hear your views.
Mic

-----Original Message-----

From: Clement, SophieJ <SophieJ.Clement@act.gov.au>

Sent: Friday, 17 January 2025 5:17 PM

To: Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>

Cc: Hauzer, Angela <Angela.Hauzer@act.gov.au>

Subject: FW: FOR REVIEW/ACTION: Lanyon Dog Park_Memorandum of Understanding. Block 1411 (A48543689)

OFFICIAL

Hi Michaela, the MOU for the dog park for your signature. Daniel and I have signed. Let me know any questions.

Thanks,

Sophie

-----Original Message-----

From: Hauzer, Angela <Angela.Hauzer@act.gov.au>

Sent: Friday, 17 January 2025 9:56 AM

To: TCCS_ID Admin <TCCS.IDAdmin@act.gov.au>

Cc: Toovey, Brooke <Brooke.Toovey@act.gov.au>

Subject: FW: FOR REVIEW/ACTION: Lanyon Dog Park_Memorandum of Understanding. Block 1411 (A48543689)

OFFICIAL

Hi Soph

See attached signed by Daniel. Also, just following up on the Bowen Drive MOU. I will forward under another email.

Ange

-----Original Message-----

From: Momi, Priscilla <Priscilla.Momi@act.gov.au>

Sent: Tuesday, 14 January 2025 12:25 PM

To: Hauzer, Angela <Angela.Hauzer@act.gov.au>

Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW/ACTION: Lanyon Dog Park_Memorandum of Understanding. Block 1411 (A48543689)

OFFICIAL

Hi Ange,

Please find attached signed MOU as requested.

Regards

Priscilla

-----Original Message-----

From: Hauzer, Angela <Angela.Hauzer@act.gov.au>

Sent: Monday, 13 January 2025 1:50 PM

To: Momi, Priscilla <Priscilla.Momi@act.gov.au>

Subject: FW: FOR REVIEW/ACTION: Lanyon Dog Park_Memorandum of Understanding. Block 1411 (A48543689)

OFFICIAL

Hi Priscilla

Just following up - can you advise when Daniel might have capacity to sign this? I know it was only sent on Friday so trying not to be too pushy!

Ange

-----Original Message-----

From: TCCS_ID Admin <TCCS.IDAdmin@act.gov.au>

Sent: Friday, 10 January 2025 5:22 PM

To: Iglesias, Daniel <Daniel.Iglesias@act.gov.au>

Cc: Hauzer, Angela <Angela.Hauzer@act.gov.au>; Momi, Priscilla <Priscilla.Momi@act.gov.au>

Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW/ACTION: Lanyon Dog Park_Memorandum of Understanding. Block 1411 (A48543689)

OFFICIAL

Hi Daniel, are you able to sign this as discussed and I will then send over to Michaela to sign.

Thanks,
Sophie

-----Original Message-----

From: Toovey, Brooke <Brooke.Toovey@act.gov.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 20 November 2024 9:59 AM
To: TCCS_ID Admin <TCCS.IDAdmin@act.gov.au>
Subject: FOR REVIEW/ACTION: Lanyon Dog Park_Memorandum of Understanding. Block 1411 (A48543689)

OFFICIAL

Hi Sophie,

This is a Memorandum of Understanding(MoU) for Lanyon Dog Park. The intent of the MoU is to have TCCS maintain EPSSD's land on which the Lanyon dog park is/will be. Richmond and Ange have reviewed.

Could you please provide your comments and I will finalise for your signature and circulation.

Additionally, could you please confirm who is best placed to circulate this? I am happy to do so as the PM. Please let me know what is appropriate.

Kind Regards,

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-----Original Message-----

From: Toovey, Brooke
Sent: Tuesday, 12 November 2024 10:57 AM
To: Clement, SophieJ <SophieJ.Clement@act.gov.au>
Subject: Lanyon Dog Park_Memorandum of Understanding. Block 1411 (A48543689)

Hi Sophie,

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Could you please provide your comments and I will finalise for your signature and circulation.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Hauzer, Angela <Angela.Hauzer@act.gov.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 30 October 2024 3:01 PM
To: Toovey, Brooke <Brooke.Toovey@act.gov.au>
Cc: Henty, Richmond <Richmond.Henty@act.gov.au>
Subject: FW: Lanyon Dog Park_Memorandum of Understanding. Block 1411 (A48543689)

OFFICIAL

Hi Brooke

I have made some minor changes in track. Please review and accept if you are comfortable. I did have a task here to call either legal or someone regarding this matter. Its in my emails.. So I will find the task and get on with this.

Ange

-----Original Message-----

From: Toovey, Brooke <Brooke.Toovey@act.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 29 October 2024 11:33 AM
To: Hauzer, Angela <Angela.Hauzer@act.gov.au>
Cc: Henty, Richmond <Richmond.Henty@act.gov.au>
Subject: Lanyon Dog Park_Memorandum of Understanding. Block 1411 (A48543689)

OFFICIAL

Hi Ange,

Could you please review the attached letter?

This is a Memorandum of Understanding(MoU) for Lanyon Dog Park. The intent of the MoU is to have TCCS maintain EPSDD's land on which the Lanyon dog park is/will be. Richmond has also reviewed.

Please let me know if any additional information required.

Kind regards,
Brooke

From: EPSD Government Services
Sent: Thursday, 20 February 2025 3:34 PM
To: EPSDD Environment; ConservatorFloraFauna; Coghill, Stacey; Taylor, Karen; Halls, Luke; Stratford, Simon; Orgill, Oliver; Duggan, Joe; Stephenson, Charles; Watts, Michaela
Cc: Pegg, Stacey; Burkevics, Bren; EPSD Government Services; EPSDD DLO
Subject: RE: : QTON 013 - MORRIS - Point Hut and Lanyon dog parks
Attachments: EPTCS - QTON 013 ANSWER - CHEYNE - Point Hut and Lanyon dog parks - MORRIS.obr

Importance: High

OFFICIAL

Hi team,

TCCS advice is: TCCS, Place Management and Domestic Animal Services, along with Data Integration Team, worked with colleagues in EPSDD during the update to the Dog Exercise map and Instrument during 2024, which considered the two new enclosed dog exercise areas (Franklin and Lanyon) as part of the process.

Given this is due to be signed today, can I confirm this advice can go back to MO along with the original response?

Thanks,
Cam

Cameron Musgrove | Assistant Director, Government Services
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From: EPSDD Environment <EPSDDEnvironment@act.gov.au>
Sent: Thursday, 20 February 2025 3:12 PM
To: ConservatorFloraFauna <ConservatorFloraFauna@act.gov.au>; Coghill, Stacey <Stacey.Coghill@act.gov.au>; Taylor, Karen <Karen.Taylor@act.gov.au>; Halls, Luke <Luke.Halls@act.gov.au>; Stratford, Simon <Simon.Stratford@act.gov.au>; Orgill, Oliver <Oliver.Orgill@act.gov.au>; Duggan, Joe <Joe.Duggan@act.gov.au>; Stephenson, Charles <Charles.Stephenson@act.gov.au>; Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>
Cc: EPSDD Environment <EPSDDEnvironment@act.gov.au>; Pegg, Stacey <Stacey.Pegg@act.gov.au>; Musgrove, Cameron <Cameron.Musgrove@act.gov.au>; Burkevics, Bren <Bren.Burkevics@act.gov.au>
Subject: : QTON 013 - MORRIS - Point Hut and Lanyon dog parks
Importance: High

OFFICIAL

Hi all,

Cam from GS is following up on an enquiry from the Minister Cheyne Office which this question in relation to this QTON 013 answer: Has any engagement with TCCS or a review of the dog exercise map been considered in providing this answer, particularly to the last parts of the questions?

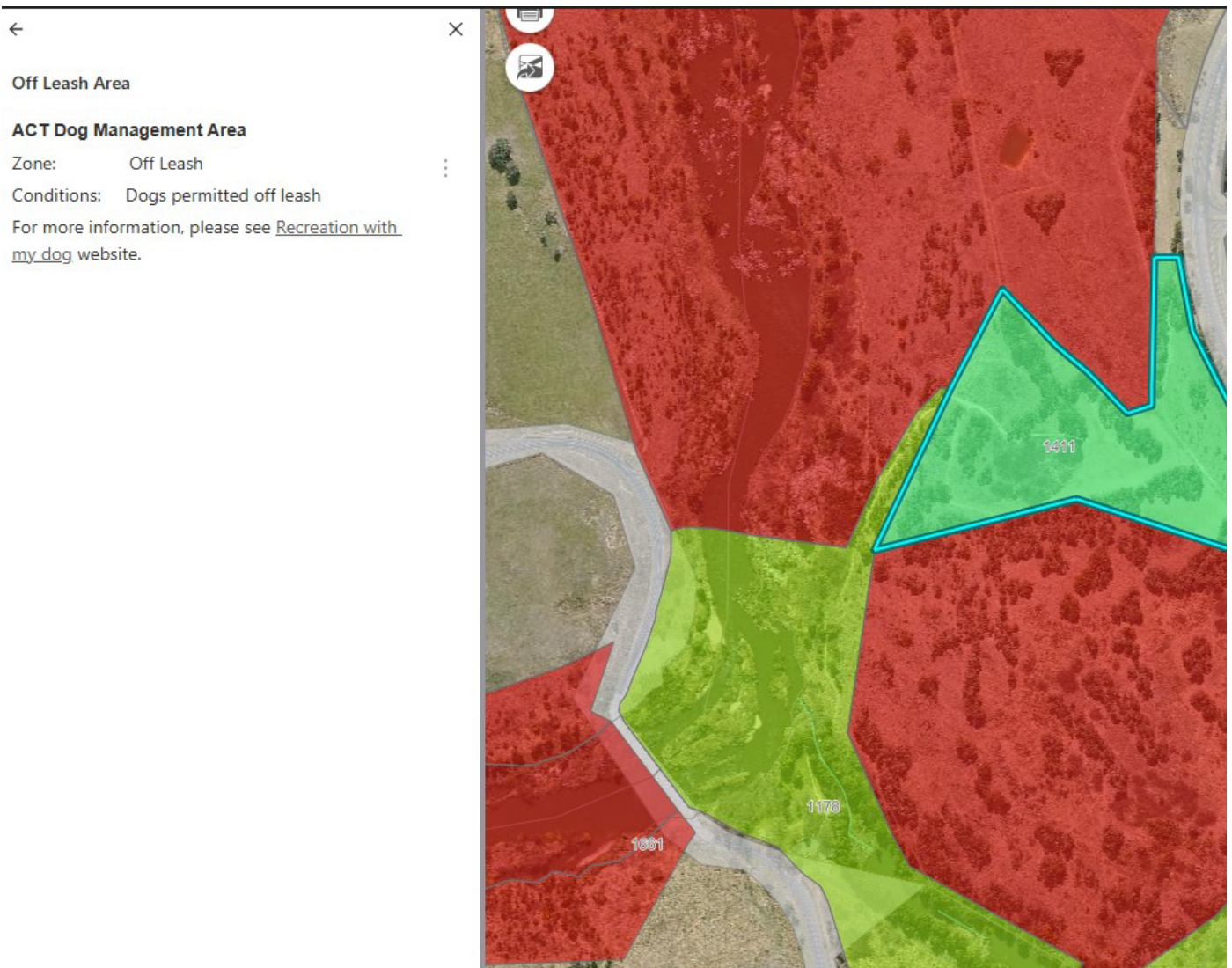
Please see attached image from actmapi (and snipped below)

City Presentation from TCCS is going to provide GS input this afternoon, **so if someone from EHP (PCS/OCFF) could get back to me ASAP that would be greatly appreciated.**

Thank you kindly from Anne

Tara Cheyne MLA, Minister for City and Government Services: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

- As part of the initial discussions around the location of the proposed Lanyon Dog Park, it was identified that the proposed site (Tuggeranong part rural block 1411 and Gordon section 455 part block 1 (the site)) and surrounds that are currently used as an unofficial dog park, known as Point Hut Exercise Area has a Special Purpose Reserve overlay. A Special Purpose Reserve Overlay may prohibit dogs from being allowed on site.
- The new formalised dog park (Lanyon Dog Park) will be contained by a fence on a small portion of the block, as shown in Figure 1. This section has been subject to a Minor Plan Amendment to change the Pd - Special Purpose Reserve overlay at the site, which will mean that dogs would be permitted within the new dog park.
- The Conservator of Flora and Fauna provided an Environmental Significance Opinion (ESO202400037) under the *Planning Act 2023* for this project confirming it would have no significant ecological impacts on the area.
- The area currently in use as an unofficial dog exercise area will continue to be managed by the Parks and Conservation Service. On site signage will direct visitors on permitted activities across the site.
- The new designated and fenced dog park will be managed by the Transport Canberra and City Services Directorate.
- The Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate will investigate what actions need to be taken to ensure that the unofficial off-leash area to the north of the block is compliant with the Territory Plan. This may change where dogs are currently allowed on lead and off lead and requires further review before a final decision is made



Anne

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From: EPSD Government Services <EPSDGovernmentServices@act.gov.au>

Sent: Wednesday, 19 February 2025 5:42 PM

To: Burkevics, Bren <Bren.Burkevics@act.gov.au>; EPSDD Environment <EPSDDEnvironment@act.gov.au>

Cc: EPSD Government Services <EPSDGovernmentServices@act.gov.au>

Subject: RE: URGENT ADVICE: QTON 013 - MORRIS - Point Hut and Lanyon dog parks

OFFICIAL

Hi Bren,

Minister Cheyne has asked: Has any engagement with TCCS or a review of the dog exercise map been considered in providing this answer, particularly to the last parts of the questions? Please see attached image from actmap.i.

Thanks,
Cam

Cameron Musgrove | Assistant Director, Government Services

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From: EPSDD DLO <EPSDDDLLO@act.gov.au>

Sent: Wednesday, 19 February 2025 4:34 PM

To: EPSD Government Services <EPSDGovernmentServices@act.gov.au>

Cc: EPSDD DLO <EPSDDDLLO@act.gov.au>; EPSDD Environment <EPSDDEnvironment@act.gov.au>

Subject: CAM: URGENT ADVICE: QTON 013 - MORRIS - Point Hut and Lanyon dog parks

Importance: High

OFFICIAL

Hello Cam

Minister Cheyne has reviewed the QTON response at the link attached and has asked the following question. If the answer is no, I suspect given her question that she may want that to occur and to be factored into the response – I am not clear on that.

Could we at least ask the question please and I will reach out to the MO to seek some clarity on that if the answer does happen to be 'no'. Fingers crossed the answer is yes but I know a request for input from TCCS was not requested (at least through DLO).

Has any engagement with TCCS or a review of the dog exercise map been considered in providing this answer, particularly to the last parts of the questions? Please see attached image from actmap.i. Thanks.

Kind regards
Michelle

Michelle O'Donnell | Directorate Liaison Officer

Office of Minister Chris Steel MLA | Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development & Minister for Heritage

Office of Minister Tara Cheyne MLA | Minister for City and Government Services

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From: Coghill, Stacey
Sent: Tuesday, 6 May 2025 10:49 AM
To: Stephenson, Charles
Subject: FW: FURTHER DOT POINTS requested for existing DLO Request 25/0180270 - Letter from Deborah Morris MLA - Update on the future of Point Hut Dog Exercise Area DUE - 250507 - 25_0180270 - DLO Request - Cheyne - DOT POINTS - Update on future of Point Hut Dog Exercise Area.obr; OCFF & PCS FOR ACTION - DUE - 250507 - 25/0180270 - DLO Request - Cheyne - DOT POINTS - Update on future of Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

OFFICIAL

Good morning Charlie – Just checking you have received the attached/ below request?
Let me know if you need hand.

Regards

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From: EPSDD Environment <EPSDDEnvironment@act.gov.au>
Sent: Monday, 5 May 2025 5:02 PM
To: Taylor, Karen <Karen.Taylor@act.gov.au>; Coghill, Stacey <Stacey.Coghill@act.gov.au>; ConservatorFloraFauna <ConservatorFloraFauna@act.gov.au>; Watts, Michaela <Michaela.Watts@act.gov.au>
Cc: EPSDD Environment <EPSDDEnvironment@act.gov.au>; Pegg, Stacey <Stacey.Pegg@act.gov.au>
Subject: FURTHER DOT POINTS requested for existing DLO Request 25/0180270 - Letter from Deborah Morris MLA - Update on the future of Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

OFFICIAL

Hi all,

This DLO Request 25/0180270 is due soon but further dotties have been requested as highlighted below.

Can you please include this in your response that would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you kindly,

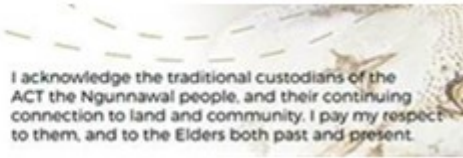
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From: EPSDD DLO <EPSDDLO@act.gov.au>

Sent: Monday, 5 May 2025 3:35 PM

To: EPSDD Environment <EPSDDEnvironment@act.gov.au>

Cc: EPSDD DLO <EPSDDLO@act.gov.au>

Subject: FW: DOT POINTS: Letter from Deborah Morris MLA - Update on the future of Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

OFFICIAL

Good Afternoon

Can you please provide some further input

The yellow area is EPSDD space correct? If so, can I get clarity on the Point Hut area and what the dog rules/regulations are now and what they will be after the fenced dog park opens?

- The Point Hut Dog Exercise area site was considered for the new fenced off-leash dog park, however, it was not deemed suitable for several reasons:
 - It would require users to cross the Bicentennial National Trail which raised concerns with The ACT Equestrian Association regarding the increase of dogs crossing the trail and potential safety issues relating to dog and horse interactions.
 - The distance from the road to this proposed location created a passive surveillance risk which has the potential to attract antisocial behaviours and vandalism of the new infrastructure.
 - The site had constraints for safe parking opportunities on Woodcock Drive.
 - The site was in close proximity to a biodiversity corridor.

I understand the exercise area is EPSDD land. Can we please advise the office what dog rules/regulations are now (looks like off leash) and what they'll be once the dog park opens.



Meaghan Evans | Directorate Liaison Officer

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From: CHEYNE <CHEYNE@act.gov.au>

Sent: Thursday, 1 May 2025 3:31 PM

To: EPSDD DLO <EPSDDDLO@act.gov.au>

Subject: RE: DOT POINTS: Letter from Deborah Morris MLA - Update on the future of Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

OFFICIAL

Hey Megs

I need EPSDD input on this one.

The yellow area is EPSDD space correct? If so, can I get clarity on the Point Hut area and what the dog rules/regulations are now and what they will be after the fenced dog parked opens?

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- The distance from the road to this proposed location created a passive surveillance risk which has the potential to attract antisocial behaviours and vandalism of the new infrastructure.
- The site had constraints for safe parking opportunities on Woodcock Drive.
- The site was in close proximity to a biodiversity corridor.



Cheers
Naomi

From: TCCS_DLO <TCCS.DLO@act.gov.au>

Sent: Wednesday, 30 April 2025 11:28 AM

To: CHEYNE <CHEYNE@act.gov.au>

Cc: EPSDD DLO <EPSDDDLO@act.gov.au>; Liu, Michael <Michael.Liu@act.gov.au>

Subject: FW: DOT POINTS: Letter from Deborah Morris MLA - Update on the future of Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

OFFICIAL

Hi Na,

TCCS advice below:

- In 2020 the ACT Government made a commitment to deliver a new fenced, off-leash dog park in Lanyon Valley to provide more spaces for dog owners in south Tuggeranong to exercise and socialise their dogs off-leash.
- The Point Hut Dog Exercise area site was considered for the new fenced off-leash dog park, however, it was not deemed suitable for several reasons:
 - It would require users to cross the Bicentennial National Trail which raised concerns with The ACT Equestrian Association regarding the increase of dogs crossing the trail and potential safety issues relating to dog and horse interactions.
 - The distance from the road to this proposed location created a passive surveillance risk which has the potential to attract antisocial behaviours and vandalism of the new infrastructure.
 - The site had constraints for safe parking opportunities on Woodcock Drive.
 - The site was in close proximity to a biodiversity corridor.
- The site at the corner of Jim Pike Avenue and Woodcock Drive in Gordon was deemed the most suitable as it met specific criteria including appropriate block size and landform, suitable land zoning, access, safe parking opportunities, proximity to services, good passive surveillance and sufficient distance from residential dwellings to minimise noise concerns.
- Construction of the Lanyon dog park commenced in October 2024 and will be completed in the second quarter of 2025. The park is expected to be closed until later in 2025 to allow for grass germination and consolidation.
- The location of the new fenced dog park is within an area where dogs are permitted to be off leash.
- Further, a *Minor Plan Amendment* was made to the Territory Plan to recognise this area as a fenced dog off leash area to be managed by TCCS. [2024-687.PDF](#)

Project background:

- The dog park is a smaller, local dog park as there is an existing larger district level, fenced off-leash dog park on Mortimer Lewis Dive in Greenway which services the district.
- Fenced off-leash dog exercise areas contribute to the effective management of dogs in public spaces by providing controlled space where dogs can freely exercise and play. They also assist in alleviating the pressure on shared recreational areas.

Kind regards,

Ashleigh Savage | Directorate Liaison Officer

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I acknowledge the Ngunnawal people as traditional custodians of the land we are meeting on and recognise any other people or families with connection to the lands of the ACT and region.

I acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of this city and this region.

From: CHEYNE <CHEYNE@act.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 22 April 2025 3:15 PM
To: TCCS_DLO <TCCS.DLO@act.gov.au>; EPSDD DLO <EPSDDDLO@act.gov.au>
Cc: Liu, Michael <Michael.Liu@act.gov.au>
Subject: FW: Letter from Deborah Morris MLA - Update on the future of Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

Can I please get advice from both areas regarding the matters raised in this corro.

Ideally as a priority, given imminent completion of works.

Much appreciated
Naomi

From: MORRIS <MORRIS@parliament.act.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 22 April 2025 1:58 PM
To: CHEYNE <CHEYNE@act.gov.au>
Subject: Letter from Deborah Morris MLA - Update on the future of Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

Good afternoon,

Please find the attached correspondence from Ms Morris to Ms Cheyne.

Thanks
Ethan Raats
Adviser | Office of Deborah Morris MLA



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EPSDD Ref No.: 25/0024934

Response to DLO Request

*** All information provided should be factual.**

EGM clearance email to be saved in the Objective file and forwarded to the EPSDD DLO inbox and copy in the relevant EO.

Subject: 25/0024934 - DLO Request - Steel - DOT POINTS - Point Hut Dog Exercise Area / Lanyon Dog Park

Response:

- The area currently being used as an unofficial dog exercise area is located to the North of the block and is currently an off-leash exercise area.
- The unofficial dog exercise area will continue to be managed by the Parks and Conservation Service. On site signage will direct permitted activities for visitors across the site.
- Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate is currently investigating what actions need to be taken to ensure that the unofficial off-leash area is compliant with the Territory Plan.
- Further consideration of the ecological values onsite is required before a final decision is made on where dogs are allowed on lead and off lead at this location once the new official dog exercise area is completed.
- The new designated and fenced official dog park will be managed by the Transport Canberra and City Services Directorate.
- The new designated and fenced dog park will be an off leash exercise area.



Response to DLO Request

*** All information provided should be factual.**

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Subject: Update on future of Point Hut Dog Exercise Area

Response:

The current unofficial Point Hut dog exercise area sits within a Special Purpose Reserve set out under the *Planning Act 2023*. It is directly adjacent to the soon to be opened Lanyon Dog Park which will allow for dogs off lead, and nearby to several other dog off lead areas such as Point Hut Pond and other areas along Woodcock Drive.

Once the Lanyon Dog Park is opened, the Point Hut Special Purpose Reserve will transition to a dog on lead reserve, noting there will be some exceptions signposted where dog off lead will still be allowed such as to enable some off-lead activities closer to the river.

Prohibited or restricted activities in a Special Purpose Reserve are set out in an Activities Declaration that should then be reflected through signage at the reserve. The current Activities Declaration for Pine Island and Point Hut Crossing Reserves permits: "Dogs off leash at Point Hut Crossing as signposted" and "Dogs on leash as signposted". These activities are determined by the Conservator of Flora and Fauna, taking into account the management plan of a reserve in making their decision. At present the signs on site and maps online are contradictory and are confusing for the public. Signs and maps will be updated for consistency to ensure the community are clear on where to allow their dogs off lead, on lead, and where dogs are prohibited.

The draft Murrumbidgee River Corridor management plan will be released for public comment in January 2027. This is an opportunity for the public to have their say on a range of matters including recreation along the Murrumbidgee River Corridor and could include a review of dog limitations in the Point Hut Special Purpose Reserve.

Background

- The new fenced Lanyon dog park takes up a smaller area than the district level parks as it is a local dog park. There is an existing larger district level, fenced off-leash dog park on Mortimer Lewis Drive in Greenway which services the district.



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- The new fenced dog park is designed for small and large dogs with a separate fenced area for small dogs.
- It has a 1.8m high fence which is standard for the district level parks and this height accommodates large dogs.
- Fenced off-leash dog exercise areas contribute to the effective management of dogs in public spaces by providing controlled space where dogs can freely exercise and play. They also assist in alleviating the pressure on shared recreational areas.
- The current practice of parking on the verge of Woodcock drive and walking a dog off lead through the special purpose reserve will no longer be permitted.