

## Preserving community space



Figure 1: Ador Park/McCarthy Park Precinct proposed upgrade and facilities (artist's impression)

The F6 Extension Stage 1 will deliver connectivity from Sydney's south to the wider Sydney motorway network, making journeys easier, faster and safer. It will remove more than 2,000 trucks a day from surface roads, and help return local streets to local communities.

Roads and Maritime Services understands community concern about the impact of the project on Rockdale Bicentennial Park and the Bicentennial Park East playing fields.

Our construction activities at Rockdale Bicentennial Park will have an impact on how the local community, community groups and sporting clubs access and use the area. We are committed to working with Bayside Council, sporting and community groups and the wider community to minimise impacts during construction and to reinstate the park and the playing fields.

This is why we have formed the Stakeholder Liaison Group (SLG) to start early discussions with regular users of the park, not only in relation to what will happen during construction, but also what the future of the park may look like at the end of the project.

Note: We will stage the McCarthy Park and Brighton Memorial Playing Fields upgrades to allow seamless transition between the current and future recreational spaces.



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## Providing recreational and sporting facilities during construction

Roads and Maritime will be investing around \$20 million on new and upgraded facilities to compensate for this loss of recreational and open space and reinstate the facilities at the end of construction. These costs are included in the overall project budget.

Following initial feedback and engagement with key stakeholders, we are proposing permanent upgrades to existing sporting facilities in the area to minimise impact to local sporting clubs and the community during construction. This will include the creation of new grass and synthetic playing fields and the upgrade of existing amenity block facilities.

The proposal to permanently upgrade existing facilities is subject to further consultation with Bayside Council, the SLG and the local community to refine this proposal.

The identified locations for permanent upgrades to facilities are:

1. Ador Park/McCarthy Precinct
2. Brighton Memorial Playing Fields.

### 1. Ador Park/McCarthy Park Precinct

Ador Park is located approximately one kilometre from Bicentennial Park, and has recently been upgraded to a synthetic surface.

Roads and Maritime is proposing to:

- upgrade McCarthy Park (also known as J. Graham Field) field from grass to synthetic
- construct a new 'midi' sized synthetic field next to West Botany Street
- upgrade existing Bay Street car park
- establish new crossings over Muddy Creek
- install new lighting to improve security and extend the usage of the facilities
- install new drainage to improve water flow
- provide new amenity block facilities
- build a new skate park or play equipment.



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Insert: Proposed new skate park and 'midi' sized synthetic field (artist's impression)

## Skate park and play equipment relocation

The existing skate park and play equipment at Bicentennial Park is well used by members of the community so it is important for these facilities to be relocated close by. While we have indicated the Ador Park/McCarthy Park Precinct as a potential location, the final location will be determined in consultation with local council and the SLG, as well as input from the local community.

## 2. Brighton Memorial Playing Fields

Brighton Memorial Playing Fields are used by local football clubs and Brighton-Le-Sands Public School as an extension of the outdoor playing area for the students. We are proposing to re-configure the playing field into a mix of grass and synthetic fields. This design will be developed in consultation with all stakeholders including the school, as we understand it is important to maintain the school's current use of this recreation space.

Roads and Maritime is proposing to:

- construct a new full size synthetic field
- establish new smaller sized grass fields
- install new lighting to improve security and extend the usage of the facilities
- install new drainage to improve water flow
- provide new amenity block facilities.

**Note:** We will stage the McCarthy Park and Brighton Memorial Playing Fields upgrading work to allow seamless transitions between the current and future recreational spaces.

The community will not lose recreation space at East Bicentennial Playing Fields before the McCarthy Park upgrades have been completed.

The proposal to upgrade Ador Park/McCarthy Park and Brighton Memorial Playing Fields are not detailed in the Environmental Impact Statement and will require additional environmental investigation. We will continue to engage with Bayside Council, the SLG and local community to refine this proposal.



Figure 2: Brighton Memorial Playing Fields proposed upgrade and facilities (artist's impression)

## Returning the East Bicentennial Playing Fields to the community

The reinstatement of Rockdale Bicentennial Park and the East Bicentennial Playing Fields will be finalised through consultation with Bayside Council, community and sporting groups, the SLG and through community feedback.

We will work with Council to develop design and landscaping outcomes that meet the needs of the community into the future.

We are proposing to reinstate the playing fields and see the potential to provide:

- one full size grass field
- one mini size grass field
- two small size grass fields.



Figure 3: East Bicentennial Playing Fields proposed upgrade and facilities (artist's impression)

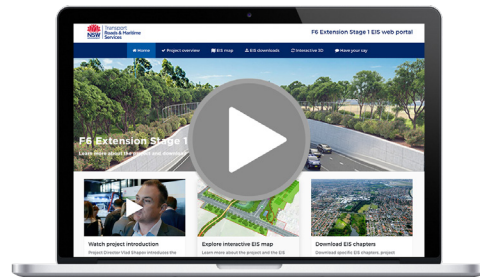
### F6 Extension Stage 1 community space project timeline for McCarthy Park and Brighton Memorial Playing Fields Review of Environmental Factors (REF)




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