

# HALL BEE FRIENDLY GARDENS VICTORIA STREET

LANDSCAPE CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT FOR COMMUNITY CONSULTATION PREPARED BY PLOT DESIGN GROUP ISSUE A - DRAFT FOR REVIEW 6th JULY 2020





PROJECT EXTENTS AND STAGING PLAN SCALE: 1:1000 @ A3

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# **LEGEND - EXISTING LANDSCAPE**



Project boundary

Existing Platanus orientalis

Existing Prunus sp.

Existing Magnolia 'Little Gem'

Grassed verge



Red brick paving

Garden beds

## PROPOSED STAGING OF WORKS

# (1)

Entry Enhancement

Enhance or establish gardens at the entries to Victoria Street - in ground plantings Integrated signage with existing walls at southern end of Victoria Street



#### Crossing enhancement

Install gardens on eastern side of Victoria Street (garden already established in front of Daughters) Raised garden beds with integrated seating



### Road enhancement

Install gardens in areas of decomposed granite along Victoria Street. Carefully remove decomposed granite in garden bed areas (retain edge for access and pedestrian movement)



Reduce extents of grass to flat areas to improve (4) access for maintenance. Incorporate garden beds to help with slope concerns and to improve planting mix.

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Botanical name: Correa 'Dusky Bells' Common name: Native Fuchsia Mature size: 0.7m (h) x 3m (w) MIS 25 listed: Yes Flower colour: Pink Flowering season: Autumn and winter

#### Brief description:

This plant has been chosen because it provides profuse flowering throughout autumn and winter. It provides food for insects and habitat for small native birds. Mounding habit.



Botanical name: Westringia fruticosa 'Mundi' Common name: Native Rosemary Mature size: 0.2m (h) x 1m (w) MIS 25 listed: Yes (straight fruticosa) Flower colour: White Flowering season: Spring and summer

#### Brief description:

This plant has been chosen because it provides profuse flowering for native bees, insects and small birds. Hardy and low water use plant that can be easily trimmed or mounded.



Name: Banksia spinulosa 'Birthday Candles' Common name: Prostrate Banksia Mature size: 0.5m (h) x 1m (w) MIS 25 listed: Yes Flower colour: Yellow/orange Flowering season: Autumn and winter

#### Brief description:

This plant has been chosen because it provides a sculptural low growing plant. Bee, insect and bird attracting. Low water requirements once established.



Name: Grevillea lanigera 'Mt Tamboritha' Common name: Grevillea Mature size: 0.4m (h) x 1m (w) MIS 25 listed: Yes (straight lanigera) Flower colour: Pink/red Flowering season: Winter and spring

#### Brief description:

This plant has been chosen because it has soft This plant is a denser and smaller growing endemic green foliage and forms a good flowering ground species Hardenbergia violaceae. It flowers profusely cover. The flowers provide a lovely contrast in the depths of winter and provides habitat for native insects and birds. against the foliage colour.



Name: Patersonia occidentalis 'Little Pat' Common name: Native Iris Mature size: 0.4m (h) x 0.6m (w) MIS 25 listed: No Flower colour: Blue Flowering season: Spring

#### Brief description:

This plant has been chosen because it flowers in spring and provides strappy green leaves for contrast. This flowering native iris attracts bees, butterflies and other insects.



Chrysocephalum apiculatum 'Desert Flame' Common name: Yellow Buttons Mature size: 0.3m (h) x 0.5m (w) MIS 25 listed: Yes (special plant) Flower colour: Yellow Flowering season: All year

#### Brief description:

This plant has lovely soft silvery foliage providing This native daisy is a hardy plant that blooms a nice contrast against some of the other proposed plants. The bright yellow flower clusters provide a bright pop of colour.



Name: Brachyscome multifida 'Break O Day' Common name: Native Daisy Mature size: 0.2m (h) x 0.4m (w) MIS 25 listed: Yes Flower colour: Purple Flowering season: All year

#### Brief description:

prolifically once established. The soft green foliage and purple flowers attract bees, butterflies and other insects.



Common name: Paper Daisy Mature size: 0.4m (h) x 0.5m (w) MIS 25 listed: No Flower colour: White with vellow centers Flowering season: Spring and Summer

#### Brief description:

This paper daisy has lovely soft grey/green foliage that has a lovely mounded habit. The flowers sit above the foliage and are abundant. Can be a cut flower and is bee attracting.

Name: Hardenbergia violaceae 'Mini Ha Ha' Common name: False sarsparilla Mature size: 0.3m (h) x 1m (w) MIS 25 listed: Yes Flower colour: Purple Flowering season: Winter and spring

Brief description:

## PLANTING THEME EXPLANATION

This native planting theme provides a mixed colour range of native flowering plants. There is variety provided in the forms of the plants, colours and seasonal flowering to provide ecological support throughout the year.

All plant species selected provide the following: - Ecological support to local bee and insect populations through the production of flowers for food and as habitat

- Attainable through local wholesale nursery
- Varied foliage and flower colour
- Hardy native selections
- Low water needs once established





Name: Lavandula angustifolia 'Munstead' Common name: Dwarf lavender Mature size: 0.5m (h) x 0.5m (w) MIS 25 listed: No Flower colour: Purple Flowering season: Spring to Autumn Type: Exotic

Hardy exotic that flowers profusely over the warmer months. Dense habit and low water needs once established. Can be planted as a border plant. Prune after flowering.



Botanical name: Hebe 'Blue Gem' Common name: Blue flowering hebe Mature size: 1m (h) x 1m (w) not near road MIS 25 listed: Yes Flower colour: Purple/Blue Flowering season: Summer to Autumn Type: Exotic

Smaller dense growing hebe. Low water needs once established. Prune flowers when finished to promote dense new growth. Bees and butterflies are attracted to flowers.



Botanical name: Rosemary officinalis prostrate Common name: Low growing rosemary Mature size: 0.3m (h) x 1m (w) MIS 25 listed: Yes (straight officinalis) Flower colour: Blue Flowering season: Spring to Autumn Type: Exotic

This hardy exotic ground cover can be used to cascade over walls and as a ground cover. The flowers are insect attracting and the foliage is aromatic and edible. Very hardy plant.



Botanical name: Salvia (assorted) Common name: Ornamental Sage Mature size: 0.5m (h) x 0.5m (w) MIS 25 listed: No Flower colour: Assorted Flowering season: Spring to Autumn Type: Exotic

the year. It will die back over winter and re-shoot in spring. Requires cut back in mid winter. Low water requirements once established.



Botanical name: Erigeron karvinskianus Common name: Seaside Daisy Mature size: 0.4m (h) x 0.7m (w) MIS 25 listed: No Flower colour: Pink, white and yellow Flowering season: Spring to Autumn Type: Exotic

This plant has been chosen because it is readily available, hardy and flowers prolifically throughout the year. The small daisy flowers attract many insect and bird species.



Name: Scaevola aemula 'Purple Fanfare' Common name: Fan Flower Mature size: 0.3m (h) x 1.5m (w) MIS 25 listed: Yes Flower colour: Purple Flowering season: Spring and summer Type: Native

This plant has been chosen because it is fast growing and is a good soil stabiliser. The prolific flowers attract bees and butterflies. Lush green foliage forms a dense ground cover.



Name: Brachyscome multifida 'Break O Day' Common name: Native Daisy Mature size: 0.2m (h) x 0.4m (w) MIS 25 listed: Yes Flower colour: Purple Flowering season: All year Type: Native

This native daisy is a hardy plant that blooms prolifically once established. The soft green foliage and purple flowers attract bees, butterflies and other insects.



Botanical name: Muscari armeniacum Common name: Grape Hyacinth (bulb) Mature size:  $0.1m (h) \times 0.1m (w)$ MIS 25 listed: No Flower colour: White or purple Flowering season: Early spring Type: Exotic

This clumping bulb provides a bright pop of colour in early spring and lovely dense foliage over winter. Hardy and can be mixed with other bulbs to provide spring flowers.

Name: Hardenbergia violaceae 'Mini Ha Ha' Common name: False sarsparilla Mature size: 0.3m (h) x 1m (w) MIS 25 listed: Yes Flower colour: Purple Flowering season: Winter and spring Type: Native

This plant flowers prolifically though out most of This plant is a denser and smaller growing endemic species Hardenbergia violaceae. It flowers profusely in the depths of winter and provides habitat for native insects and birds.



# PLANTING THEME EXPLANATION

This mixed planting theme provides seasonal flowering though out the year. There is a mix of hardy native and exotic species suited to the Canberra climate. This pallet has a white, blue and purple colour theme to enhance the attraction of flowers for native bees and insect species.

The plants provide the following:

 Ecological support to local bee and insect populations through the production of flowers for food and as habitat

- Low water needs once established
- Varied forms and foliage colours
- Blues to attract insects and bees



# GARDEN BED EDGING ASSOCIATED WITH STAGES 2, 3 AND 4 EDGING TYPE 1 - STEEL EDGING



Material: Steel edging

Installation method: Stake into ground

#### Benefits:

- Narrow profile to maximise planting area
- Can be bent to form curves and circles
- Minimal tools required to install
- Relatively lightweight and easy to work with
- Can be purchased off the shelf at different profile sizes
- Install using stakes to minimal disruption under trees and in root zone
- Contemporary aesthetic
- Complement existing materials of red bricks and decomposed granite

#### Disadvantages:

- Cannot hold a lot of weight so therefore cannot be incorporated into a seating wall
- Height of walls maximum of 450mm (most gardens to be
- raised with an edge of 150mm above ground)

# EDGING TYPE 2 - CONCRETE SLEEPERS



Material: Reinforced concrete sleeper edging

Installation method: Stake into ground and brackets to joins

#### Benefits:

- Assorted colour choices available
- Easily attainable material
- Solid edging option
- Install using stakes to minimal disruption under trees and in root zone
- Hard wearing and termite resistant
- Complement existing materials of red bricks and decomposed granite
- Can be built up to create taller garden beds and seating options can be integrated

#### Disadvantages:

- Garden bed design limited to geometric shapes as sleepers cannot be curved
- Heavy material to work with and required specific tools to cut material
- Can look a little bulky

## EDGING TYPE 1 - STEEL SHEETING WITH RECONSTITUTED TIMBER FRAMING



Material: Steel sheeting with reconstituted timber frame

Installation method: Stake into ground or sit on soil

#### Benefits:

- Reconstituted timber is rot proof and termite resistant
- Can be constructed to any height or shape (curves are not easy to construct with this method)
- Can be fitted out as a wicking bed (for taller beds) to reduce water requirements more and to prevent competition from tree roots
- Mixed materials provide interest and texture
- Beds can be constructed using non specialist tools
- Opportunity to reuse or recycle materials
- Complement a rural aesthetic and tie in with existing
- materials of red bricks and decomposed granite

#### Disadvantages:

- Construction is more involved and skilled
- Bulkier frame to support seating and hold sheeting

# GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### VISIBILITY

- Planting in road zone and near driveways to be a maximum of 500mm in mature hight to allow for visibility of vehicles

- Planting is suggested to be seasonal and bright to improve the overall amenity of Victoria Street

#### ACCESS

- All gardens to be accessible from all sides to allow for water, pruning, mulching and feeding

#### ESTABLISHMENT

- Planting to have low water requirements once established

- Watering of plants will need to be done by volunteers

#### MAINTENANCE

Plants will require regular watering after planting and minimal watering once established
Plants will need to be pruned after flowering to increase life span of plants, increase flower production and to encourage a dense habit
The planting layout will be designed to reduce ongoing maintenance by planting closely to reduce weed growth and to cool the soil

#### STAGING

- It is encouraged that the work is completed in a staged approach to allow for progressive planting and to make the maintenance period more manageable

#### EXISTING LANDSCAPE

Retain decomposed granite as access zone between car parking and garden beds. Width of zone to be 1500mm wide to allow for car doors to open.
All paths and paving to be retained as is
Areas of established planting to be retained

#### SIGNAGE

- Signage at the entry of Victoria Street could be improved by providing a structure behind wall for shop signage and to remove individual shop signage from the verge

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Material Options	
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