

Fact Sheet: Toilets



Open Space Strategic Management Plan (OSSMP)

The OSSMP is a comprehensive and high-level roadmap. It guides how we sustainably plan our open space and playground areas which may include shade, fencing and toilets.

The OSSMP 2018-23 has reached the end of its planning cycle and is due for renewal.

The following provides a fact sheet relating to toilets at our playgrounds and provides background to the thinking that has helped shape the draft OSSMP and the service levels within it.

Public Toilets

We provide 70 public toilet facilities across our City. We manage public amenity requirements primarily using the OSSMP which defines the open space hierarchy and identifies and categorises service levels across our network of open space.

There are also public toilets provided outside of our open space areas, primarily on main streets and along the coast at key locations.

When open spaces have been identified for upgrades (including those where public toilets

are identified as part of the service level), community consultation is typically undertaken as part of the early planning and design phase. This ensures the community can provide feedback and we can identify an appropriate response.

The OSSMP service level that defines the requirement of a public toilet in a reserve is determined by the expected time users will spend at the location. Accordingly there are two reserve classifications that call for public toilets, Regional Family and District Family. These classifications provide a range of services that attract visitors from across our city and beyond. They are designed to ensure users who have travelled to and intend to stay for a long period of time at these reserves are supported by appropriate facilities.

Cost

The estimated lump sum cost to construct a single pan, accessibility compliant public toilet is approximately \$250,000, however, this cost may fluctuate due to site specifics and approvals.

Annual maintenance costs for a single-pan toilet are approximately \$13,500 for its 60 year lifespan and encompass cleaning, utility costs, repairs, inspections, vandalism and maintenance repairs.