The Garden District

Revitalize the Garden District Park District by connecting the discrete parks, streetscapes and open spaces into a coherent whole including integrating and celebrating the area's heritage character and promoting community life.





The Garden District, Proposed Concept

Imagine the Garden District's streets and surrounding parks and open spaces as a connected system where large, mature trees and immersive gardens can be experienced in the urban setting. Connect and green the district by blending streets with parks and public spaces (e.g. Jarvis Terrace at Allan Gardens). Implement a minimum 6.0-metre green setback on Jarvis Street's east and west edges, creating a green spine for the district. Create green street, laneway and mid-block connections. Remove commercial boulevard



Hardscape public realm project Green public realm project Sidewalks and safe crossings Servicing and vehicular access

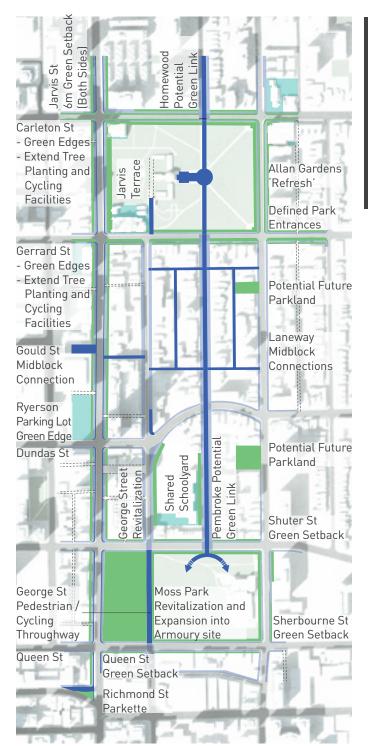


Lonsdale Street's transformation reflects the distinctive qualities of its setting, creating clear connections to each of the area's key public assets, a model for Jarvis Street in the Garden District, Dandenong, Australia



Kensington Shared Street, a model for Pembroke Street and Homewood Avenue as 'Green Links', Sydney, Australia

parking and limit street parking to reduce auto-related pavement and create green street edges. Improve the relationship between the pedestrian realm along park edges, providing an expanded pedestrian space, sense of relief and feeling of a 'street within a park'. Re-



The Garden District, Proposed Concept Plan

think the relationship of park edges at Allan Gardens and Moss Park, broadening the park program into the street. Create safe pedestrian crossings and defined park entrances for the terminating streets at Pembroke Street, Homewood Avenue and George Street.



Existing R.O.W. 11.1m

Pembroke Residential Green Link, Proposed Concept

Re-imagine Pembroke Street and Homewood Avenue as garden-like 'Green Link' streets, creating a safe neighbourhood link for pedestrians and cyclists between the district's two signature parks. Create wide, signalized pedestrian crossings and defined park entrances at Allan Gardens and Moss Park. Provide opportunities for Indigenous placemaking at the Allan Gardens park gateways. (right) A model for the Garden District, Passeig De St Joan Boulevard maintains heritage trees and adds new tree rows, promotes drainage, widens pedestrian promenades and gathering spaces, and provides physically separated bicycle lanes, Barcelona, Spain

Goals

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- Study park acquisition and partnership opportunities, with a focus on the Moss Park Armoury site.
- Improve Pembroke Street to provide a park-like street connection between Moss Park and Allan Gardens. Extend the Pembroke street character into both Moss Park and Allan Gardens.
- Improve relationship between pedestrian realm along park edges providing an increased pedestrian space, sense of relief, and a feeling of 'street within a park'.



Actions

- Support Council approved improvement plans for park revitalization initiatives.
- Enhance street edges of Allan Gardens and Moss Park in coordination with park revitalization projects.
- Undertake Streetscape Plan for Pembroke Street.
- Look for opportunities to harmonize street furniture, paving, and lighting to unify the district.
- Explore opportunities to expand the pedestrian realm, and prioritize cycling amenities along Carlton at Homewood Avenue.
- Work with community to encourage tree planting on private properties, with a focus on front yards.