

PHASE 2
CLEAR SPACES AND PREPARE FOR PLANTING

This part of the project involves progressive planting from winter 2024 onwards to completion.

- Remove ground cover where new plantings are about to be introduced.
- Develop contours and planting areas/identified plant species locations.

Remove weeds and historic plantings no longer appropriate/required (such as hawthorn and satinwoods).

PHASE 3
PLANTING AND GROUND COVER

Planting will be progressive from mid-2024 during late autumn, winter and early spring months, onwards until planting completion. We will plant to an established design plan with variety of plant species suited to each location around the park.

Plants will be a mixture of:

- Low species to preserve harbour and seafront views
- Low-mid height species for views, shelter and privacy, but to limit shading and height risks

We will also add ground cover to limit weed growth, and provide plant guards, to protect young plants, while allowing low species to thrive adjacent to tracks and mowing areas.

WHO IS ROTARY DUNEDIN AND WHAT IS THE LINK TO ROTARY PARK?

Rotary Dunedin celebrated its centenary year in 2023. With this milestone came the desire to develop a showcase project which celebrates and reflects our long relationship with Dunedin and the wider Otago community.

Rotary Park was originally developed by the Rotary Club of Dunedin (now called Rotary Dunedin) in the early 1950s, opening in June 1956 to celebrate 50 years of Rotary International. Rotary Dunedin has a long association with the Rotary Park and wishes to continue this development, with further enhancements and beautification to improve the site for the benefit of the entire community.

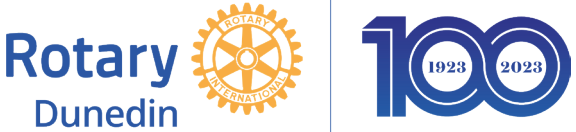
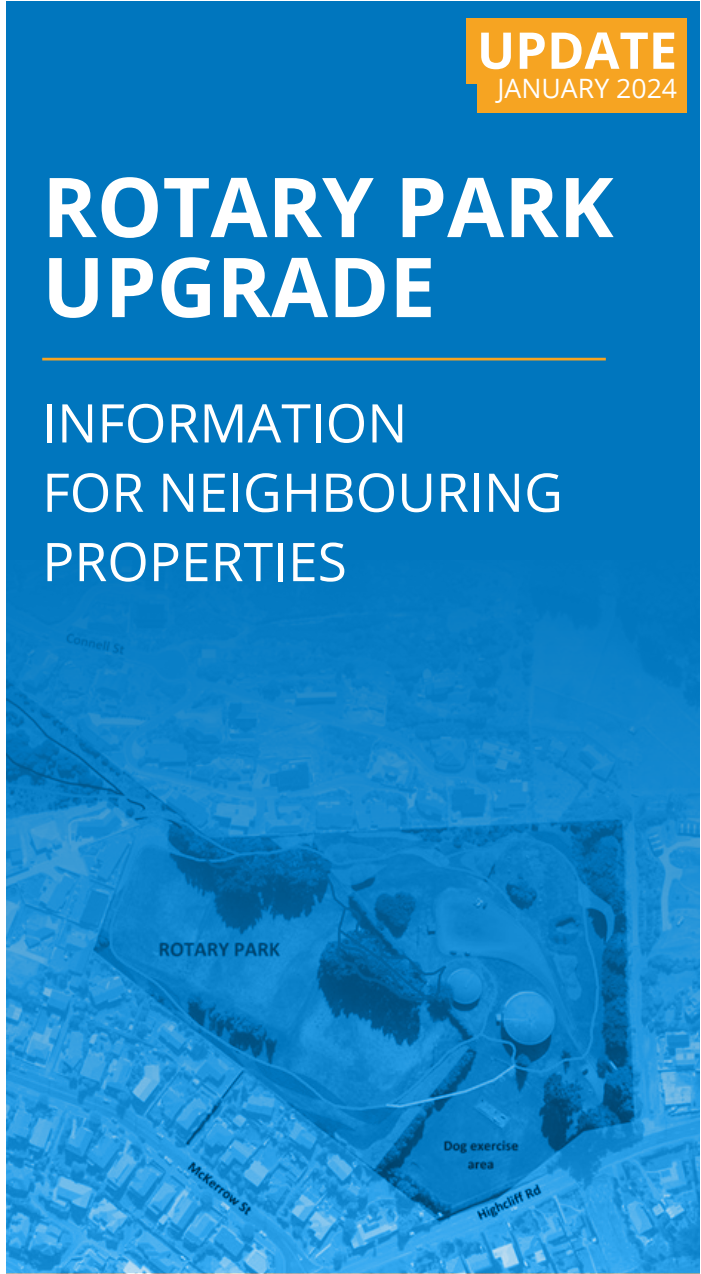
FEEDBACK AND ENGAGEMENT

We welcome your feedback on what we believe is an exciting opportunity for the city and community to enhance this unique asset. We will continue to communicate with you throughout the project.

GET INVOLVED

If you would like to get involved in the Rotary Park upgrade (or any of our other projects) we would welcome your participation.

As a volunteer organisation, we undertake a wide range of projects that benefit our community, and also seek new members to join us, please get in touch if you would like to know more.



JANUARY 2024 UPDATE

Following on from our mail drop in 2022, Rotary Dunedin have finalised plans with the DCC and are authorised to start the Rotary Park track construction in February 2024.

WHAT ARE WE PLANNING TO DO?

We are planning to develop the park over the coming years in phases, beginning with adding tracks and plantings, and may undertake further developments beyond these first 3 phases, such as viewing platforms, shelters and seating.

We will provide a broad refresh and amenity upgrade to the park through:

- Development of improved access tracks for a wider range of the population and activities, throughout the park.
- Providing enhanced landscape designs with new plantings and replacing some existing plantings.
- The planting plan will incorporate the natural environment, improve flora and fauna, increase carbon sequestration, provide a combination of wind-shelter and privacy for park patrons and neighbouring properties.

PHASE 1
TRACK BUILDING

The upper park perimeter track will be gravel based with an average grade 2 track (beginner/gentle sloping), suitable for walkers, runners, cyclists, prams and wheelchairs. The design allows for views, gentle contour and easy access to and from key parts of the park area, including the car park.

We will undertake further development of the bike jump and skills track in the central park area, where existing tracks have been started.

This will consist of dirt and gravel based tracks with various track designs to aid skills progression, provide entertainment and encourage exercise.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We gratefully acknowledge the continuous support from the DCC staff in facilitating the upgrade. We also wish to thank experienced track builder and engineer, Hamish Seaton who is designing and managing the construction of the tracks.

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ROTARY PARK

DRAFT CONCEPT PLAN
OVERALL PLAN

- A** Opportunity to increase walking network and provide viewing platforms with views towards the harbour. Proposed native vegetation to screen the platforms and track users from adjacent residences.
- B** Proposed new bush walking tracks to make use of the higher bank to the south and to wind through the existing planting area to the east. Locate path where it naturally fits around existing vegetation.
- C** Existing planting indicated by outlined white area within the park.
- D** Proposed new all season, gravel walking and biking tracks.
- E** Follow existing track. Restrict biking to uphill only to enable the path to be shared without widening it. This will retain its bush-walk feel and minimise vegetation disturbance.
- F** Gravel perimeter track which will provide an all-access for a wide range of users, including walkers, cyclists, prams and people in wheelchairs.
- G** Formalise and reconfigure bike pump area. Connect with adjacent track network. Create a 'slow zone' in the middle of the pump track where it crosses the all-access path (indicated by hatching).
- H** Reconfigure benches and picnic tables. Benches are arranged to have planting behind. Picnic tables are clustered together and close to the carpark, with views towards the harbour.
- I** Proposed new railing around historic quarry area. Include signage to indicate the history of the area.
- J** Remove swing set and keep as open grass. This area can be damp and shady and does not lend itself to a play area. If a play area is required options to locate this elsewhere within the park can be considered.
- K** Option for graffiti art or painted mural on one or both of the reservoirs. 2-3m of clear area is required for maintenance access around the reservoir ladders.
- L** Shared path connects dog park entrance with front entrance carpark and surrounding tracks. Signage for the dog park is suggested at the carpark end of the path.
- M** Improve entranceway prominence by replacing existing bollards with a new bollard barrier.
- N** Existing dog park.
- O** Remove area of existing vegetation and fencing to improve path layout.
- P** Locate path along flat ground before transiting the path down the gentler contours to the south.

*Remove existing internal fences where they are no longer necessary.

- Shared track
- Walking and hill up only bike track
- Walking track
- Downhill bike track
- Shared all-access track
- Bike pump track

