

Continuous Voices Memorial

Project Cost

\$1.5 million

Investment Needed

- \$500,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$520,000

Victorian Government Funding

- \$500,000

Project Description

The Continuous Voices Memorial will acknowledge and honour survivors of sexual assault.

Located in a peaceful public space in Victoria Park, the Memorial's design was informed by conversations with more than 50 survivors who spent 12 months exploring ideas of acknowledgment, memorials and telling survivor stories as part of the Continuous Voices Arts Project.

Their stories have guided the design of the memorial and site, ensuring survivor voices are at the heart of the design.

Community Benefit

The Memorial will provide an opportunity to deepen community understanding of the tragic consequences and intergenerational trauma that come from sexual abuse.

It will acknowledge and recognise the pain and trauma caused by all forms of sexual violence whether in an institution, family or elsewhere.

Sexual assault survivors in Ballarat have been advocating for a memorial to acknowledge all survivors for close to a decade.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

This is a unique opportunity for a three-way funding partnership between governments.

A small financial commitment, will have an enormous intergenerational impact, demonstrating support and solidarity for all survivors of sexual violence.

It will be significant to many community members and has the potential to make a large impact in the city's journey towards acknowledgment.

Location

- Victoria Park, Ballarat

Status

- Following a national, two stage design competition, the concept design was endorsed by City of Ballarat Council in June, 2024. Tenders will be called for the memorial's construction in the second half of 2024

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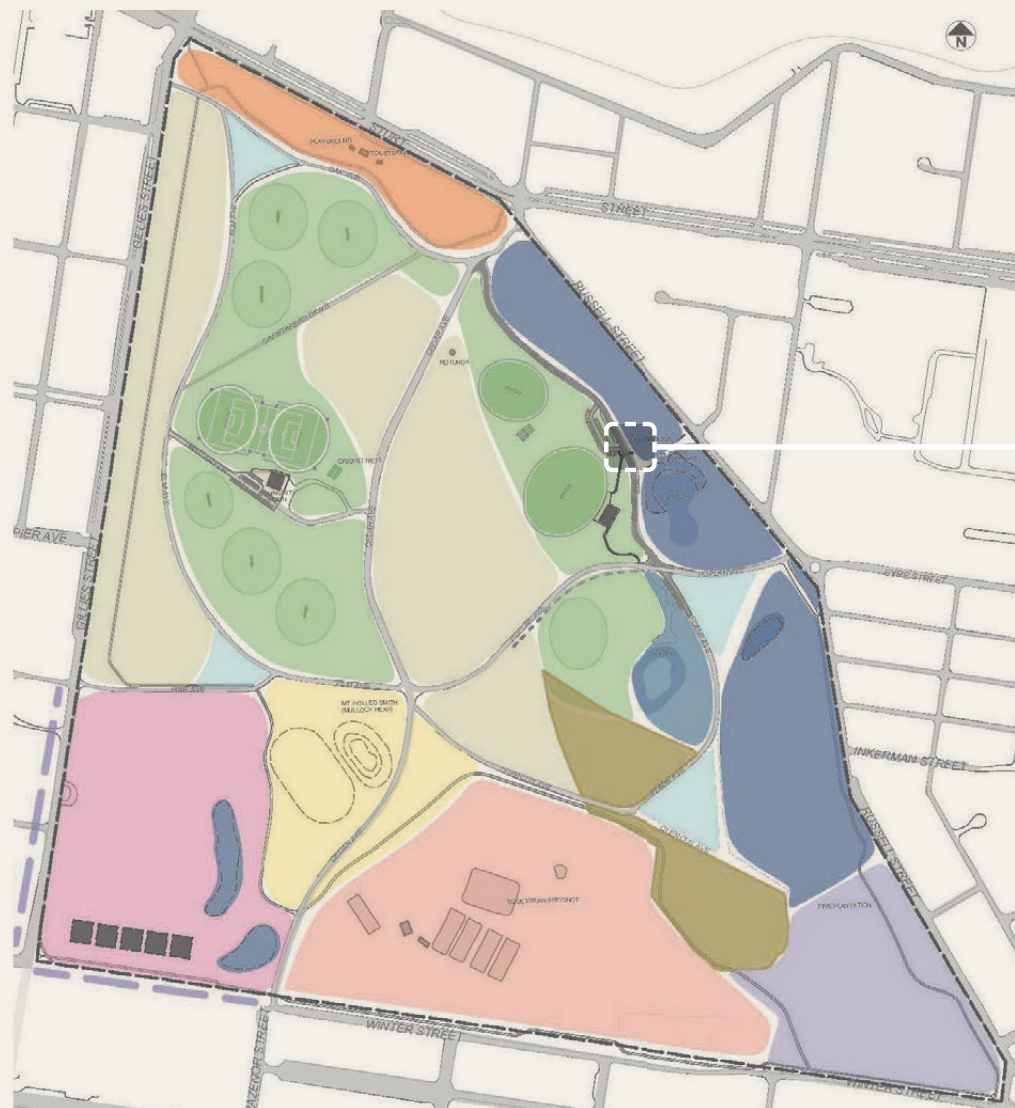
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PROPOSED PARK PRECINCTS

- ACTIVE EDGE
- SPORTS GROUNDS
- GRASSLANDS
- LAKES/WETLANDS
- SOUTH EAST ENTRY
- EQUESTRIAN
- SOUTH WEST CORNER
- MULLOCK HEAP & VELODROME
- HISTORIC GROVE PLANTING
- BUILDING FOOTPRINTS
- CHANGED GRASSLANDS
- POTENTIAL URBAN RENEWAL INTERFACE

Victoria Park Precinct



Timeline and Next Steps

- Tender**
July 2024 - September 2024
- Construction Phase**
October 2024 - April 2026
- Final Delivery**
April 2026 - May 2026

Note: All project costs are subject to inflationary pressures leading to cost escalations

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