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NEXT STEPS

**9.1 RECOMMENDATION**

Based on the community feedback received and the development of the Master Plan and Activation Strategy, the following actions are recommended:

**Overall Lake Precinct**

- Water Security - A lake water security strategy should be developed to ensure the future water supply and quality of Lake Caroline.
- CCTV Scheme and Location - TCL understand a trial by is in process. Council to follow up with feedback received in CCTV consultation in conjunction with feedback received in this Master Plan.
- Safety - A Lake Caroline safety strategy should be developed based on *Safe City Proud Communities Plan 2020-2024* by City of Melton, to guide any proposals for CCTV, lighting and other safety features.
- Lighting Scheme and Location - Review to be conducted on existing lightings as per feedback received. Additional lightings might be required.
- Dedicated Bike/Pedestrian Paths - Feasibility study to be undertaken to investigate the possibility of having dedicated bike/pedestrian paths in key locations in the existing circuit.
- Requirement of ecological and biodiversity assessment before commencement of any design works, including but not limited to the review of cultural heritage.
- Parking and vehicular circulation around the lake to be addressed and further resolved in detailed design phase.

**Boathouse Event Lawn, Cafe & Playground**

- Boathouse Playground designated as District Playspace - Reassess the status and location of Boathouse Playground (Boathouse Reserve) in relation to the relevant open space and/or play strategies, and consider to elevate Boathouse Playground as District Playspace.
- Boathouse Cafe - Feasibility Study and/or Business Case to be undertaken to explore business opportunities.
- Toilet in Boathouse Cafe - Full consultation to be undertaken on the future design, development and operation of toilet. Feedback received in this Master Plan and Activation Strategy consultation needs to be considered as part of the future design process.

**Cascade & Weir Wetlands Update**

- Design and Maintenance - Details to be determined in future design development and construction. Maintenance plan to be prepared and shared.
- Construction - Construction of wetlands need to be in a sensitive manner to minimise disruption to existing wildlife.

**Lake Crossing Bridge & Esplanade Ecology Hub**

- Lake Crossing Bridge - Feedback received in this Master Plan and Activation Strategy consultation needs to be considered as part of the future design and construction process.
- Dedicated Bike/Pedestrian Paths on Proposed Bridge - Feedback received in this Master Plan and Activation Strategy consultation needs to be considered as part of the future design process.

**Lake Street Transformation**

- Shared Zone - Feasibility study to be carried out on the lowered speed limit and priority parking prior implementation.
- Parking and vehicular circulation around the lake to be addressed and further refined in the detailed design phase.

**Promenade Parkland Refresh**

- Boat launch from Southern Deck - Feasibility study to be undertaken on the numbers of boat-hiring operations, and details on the operation.

**Southern Ecology Zone**

- Design and Maintenance - Details to be determined in future design development and construction. Maintenance details should be developed and disclosed to the community for information and educational purpose.
- Construction - construction of wetlands need to be in a sensitive manner to minimise disruption to existing wildlife.

- Existing Public Art 'On Tap' - Council to review and confirm its location after consultation with the artist.

**Esplanade Greening**

- Tree Planting - Investigate the possibility of having tree plantings adjacent to the existing lake retaining wall in contrast to the current Master Plan (Note: tree plantings are not allowed next to the lake retaining wall in the Master Plan based on existing information). Council to follow up if alternative scenario is identified as feasible.

**Others**

- Acknowledge of Country plaque/ recognition at the lake - Council to follow up with preferred approach and implementation after full consultation.