

Uniting Waverley Estate.

Our environment matters

The gardens and grounds of the Uniting War Memorial Hospital have been a driving consideration in planning for the redevelopment of the site.

Included in the design of our concept master plan, we aim to reintroduce many of the principles of the original Victorian estate. We intend to celebrate, and where possible preserve, the historic plantings on site, while expanding the gardens for community enjoyment.

The concept master plan affords the opportunity for more detailed design work to reintroduce large evergreen and specimen feature trees that were typical of Sydney gardens in the Victorian era.

Native plantings will feature, with a combination of proposed smaller evergreen and deciduous trees, which aim to complement this landscape design.



Our vision is to continue to support the Waverley community by providing quality, person-centred aged care and community services, that respond to people's changing needs.

Our services will promote health, wellbeing and connection, in welcoming settings that conserve and respect Uniting Waverley's rich history.



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Concept landscape masterplan of the Waverley Estate.



Our concept master plan integrates landscape features identified in the Conservation Management Plan:

- Retain the internal drive from Birrell Street to the Vickery building and the War Memorial Hospital
- Reconstruction of a lower garden to the west and conservation of the upper garden in the eastern part of the site, to interpret the Victorian garden character of the Estate
- Construction of a new system of paths interpreting the original entry drive, and around the lower garden space, which once provided access to the private family Estate.

Environmental impact and sustainability are a core principle at Uniting.

Environmental sustainability is embedded into Uniting's Property Development process, including through our Design Guidelines, standards and innovative practice.

In October 2021, Uniting's net zero carbon target was set for 2040. We are passionate about reducing our carbon footprint and will continue to monitor our environmental impacts when building, operating, maintaining, and improving our buildings and retirement communities.

Where have you seen good examples of public heritage plantings that invite community into the space?

We encourage you to provide your feedback on our website: uniting.org/waverley

We greatly value the heritage of Uniting Waverley and recognise the great service it provides to the local community.

The War Memorial Hospital is an important building within the Waverley Estate that Uniting is committed to preserving. Uniting is exploring the potential expansion of the hospital's services, but right now our focus is on improving and redeveloping the areas and buildings around the Hospital.



Environmental goals

Uniting and Waverley Local Council have worked together to create a set of environmental goals and requirements that are documented within Council's draft Development Control Plan (DCP).

Connection to the natural environment

Our design principles have carefully considered how to increase the connection to the natural environment for the community. The concept master plan aims to establish green links through the site and allow accessible, pleasant walk-throughs to nearby amenities. The green links aim to support local wildlife corridors.

Maintaining the green corridor

We understand and celebrate the position of the site between Centennial Park, Queens Park and Waverley Park. In recognition of the surrounding landscape, the green corridor will be maintained, keeping the site connected to these beautiful parklands.

Links to the community

We recognise that Birrell Street's strong 'boulevard' character makes it significant and distinctive in Waverley.

To enhance this appeal, we are proposing a new, publicly accessible link between Church and Birrell Streets, to improve the on-site garden's public character and pedestrian access. New streetscape plantings will bring the look and feel of the Estate more prominently into the surrounding streets.

For more information about how our environment matters with this project, please call **1800 864 846** or visit **uniting.org/waverley**

About Uniting

Uniting NSW.ACT is responsible for the social justice, community services and chaplaincy work of the Uniting Church in NSW and the ACT.

We provide care and support for people through all ages and stages of life, with a focus on people experiencing disadvantage and vulnerability.

Our purpose is to inspire people, enliven communities and confront injustice.

We value diversity and always welcome everyone, exactly as they are.

Disclaimer: All items contained within this fact sheet are principles and ideas. The design is at a proposed concept master plan stage to inform and support the community consultation and planning proposal. They are not final master plans or Development Application documents. The Development Application is subject to the statutory planning process. Illustrations are concepts only and subject to changes to satisfy statutory planning authorities.

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