Kangaroo Island Council

Facility Planning Report

SHANNON ARCHITECTS

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1 Introduction

Kangaroo Island Council initiated a Camping and Day Visitor strategy in 2006. This document examined the numerous camping and day visitor sites that are controlled by Council. These sites are used by local residents however given the tourism focus of Kangaroo Island, receive a high use by visitors to the island.

Kangaroo Island Council have recognised the significance of these sites to the overall tourism experience of the Island and the need to improve the amenity and presentation of the sites for both local residents and the visitor.

This Master Plan report includes Conceptual Planning for many camping and day visitor sites across Kangaroo Island including foreshore concepts for the Principal townships. These concepts build upon the strategic position developed from the Camping and Day Visitor Strategy.

2 Design Principles

Kangaroo Island is noted for and promotes its significant natural landscapes and attractions. The majority of the sites considered in this report are located in, or service these natural attractions. Kangaroo Island townships could also be considered unique due to the continued presence of significant coastal landscapes, vegetation and wildlife.

The design concepts contained in this report individually address the issues associated with each site however there are several over arching principles that are incorporated in the majority.

- Reinforcement of Kangaroo Island as a 'natural' environment
- Preservation, protection and re-establishment of indigenous vegetation
- Appropriate definition and control of vehicular access including the removal of inappropriate access
- Replacement of out dated and inappropriate infrastructure and facilities
- Reduction of expanses of barren open space through revegetation providing aesthetic and environmental benefits.
- The provision of defined foreshore walking trails to township foreshores to the benefit of local residents and visitors.
- The definition and separation of Day Visitor and camping areas.
- The provision of some consistency of design principles with Department for Environment and Heritage sites whilst retaining Council identity to provide a consistent visitor experience across Kangaroo Island.
- Where possible placing vehicle access and parking at a distance from the point of interest reducing the intrusion on the landscape and visitor experience.

3 Site Analysis and Concepts

This section of the report contains a brief discussion of the issues and concepts as contained in the site drawings. This discussion does not comprehensively outline the detail in the drawings.

An analysis drawing is provided for each site to illustrate the particular issues that are addressed by the concepts.

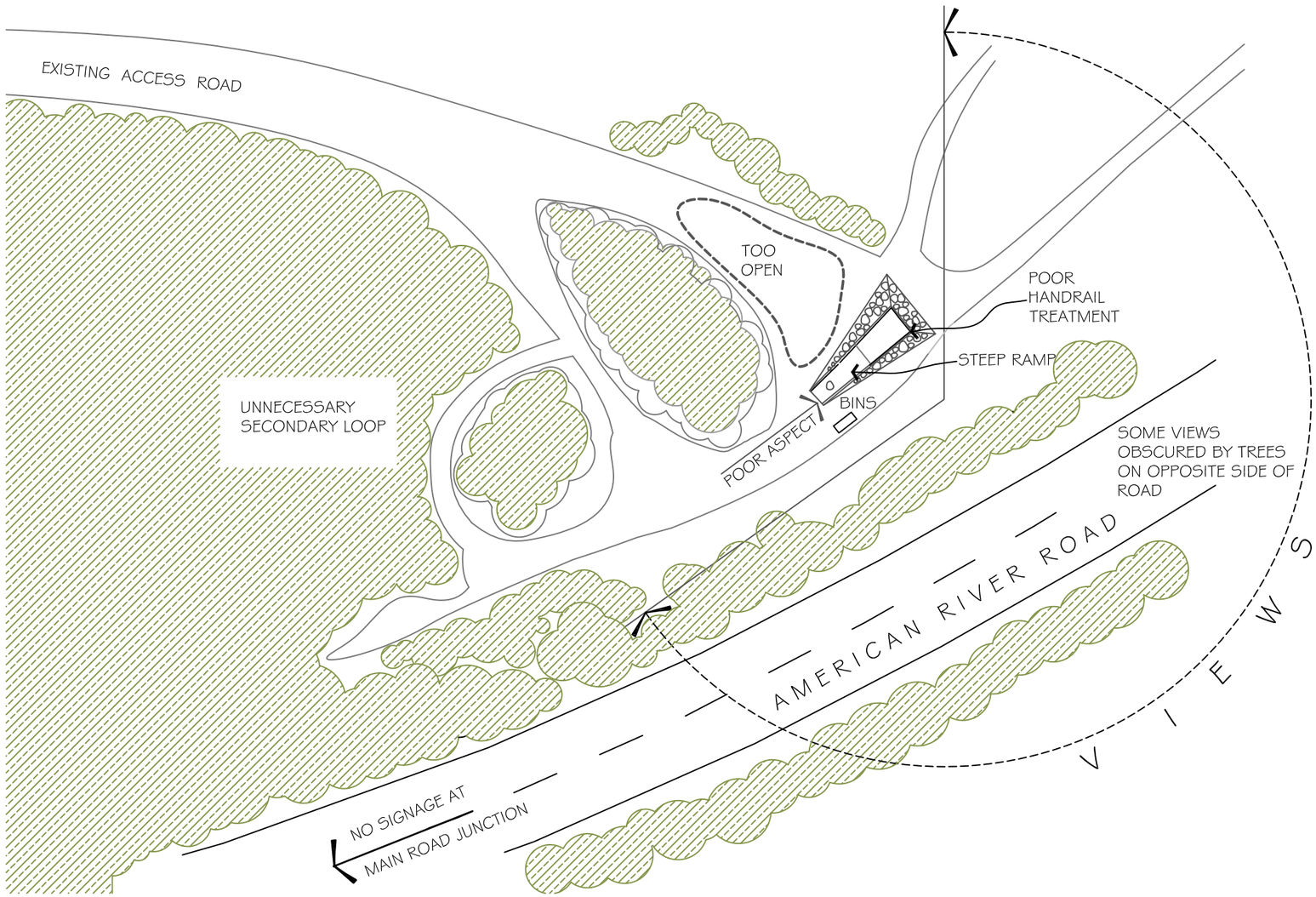
Concepts illustrate principles of development and will require further exploration and detailed resolution prior to implementation.

3.1.6 Muston Lookout

Key Issues
Muston Lookout provides views over American River. The site suffers from poor presentation and a lack of vehicle control. Preservation of the views through vegetation removal may be required.

Design Statement
Design concepts formalise vehicle movements. To increase the viewing potential a further, higher level platform is suggested.

Aesthetic improvements would be achieved through revegetation and replacement of inappropriate finishes.



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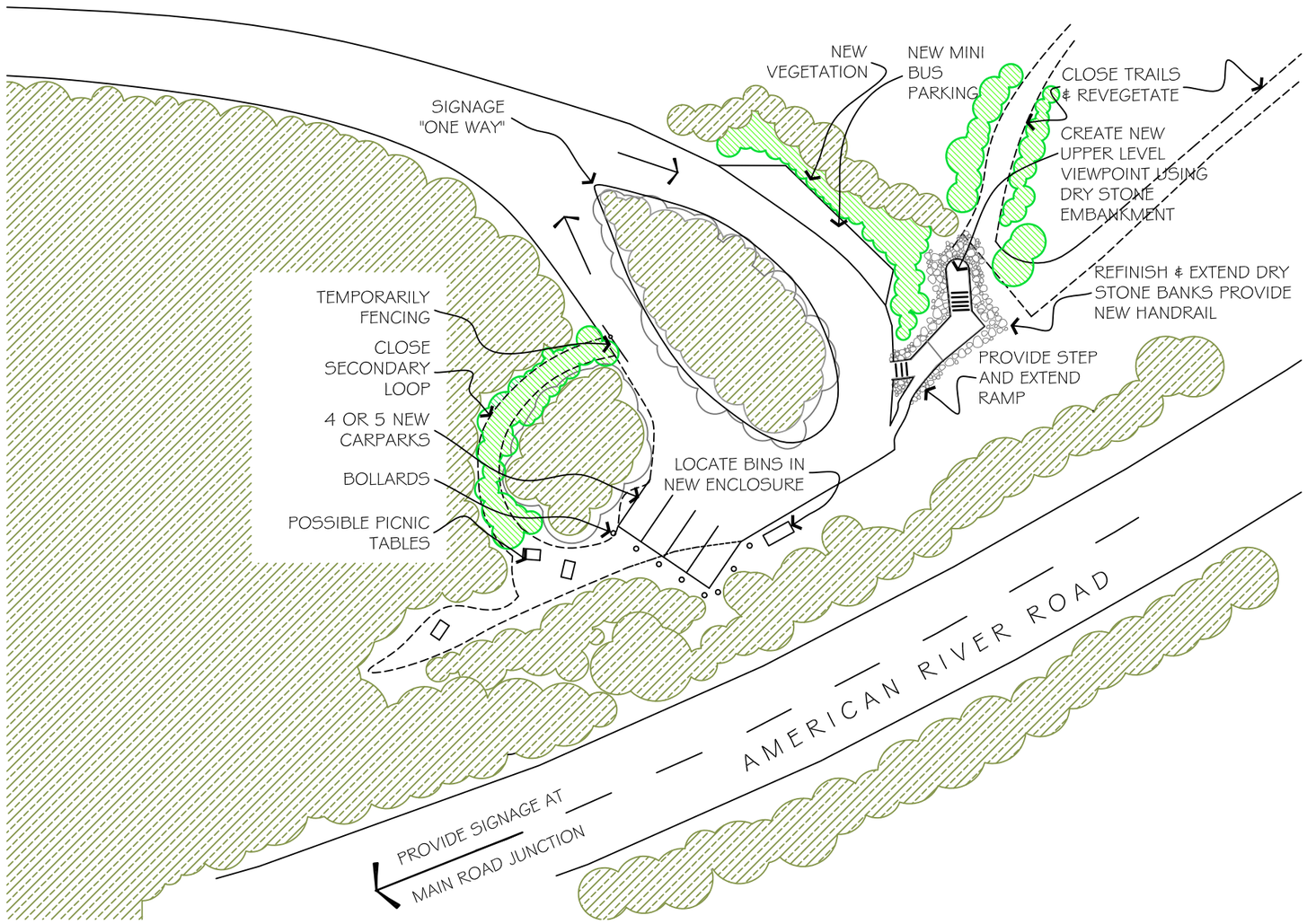

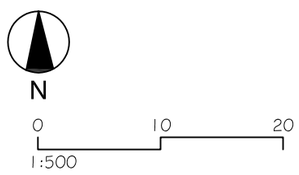

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