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Maribyrnong
CITY COUNCIL



We acknowledge that we are on the traditional lands of the Kulin Nation. We offer our respect to the Elders of these traditional lands, and through them to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples past, present and emerging.

COUNCIL VISION	An inclusive, flourishing, progressive city that cares for both its residents and its environment															
COUNCIL OBJECTIVES	 Safe climate and healthy environment	 Liveable neighbourhoods	 A place for all	 Future focussed	 Ethical leadership											
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Total spend on open space reserve fund

Actual 2022/2023

\$861,000

Projected 2023/2024

\$4,388,000

Biodiversity Planting 2023 (tube stock)

22,000
plants



Tree canopy

2018

8.3%



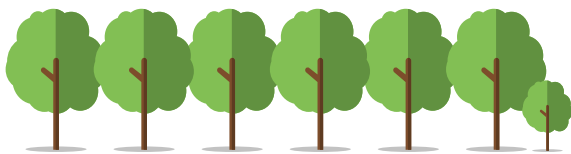
2040 Goal

20%



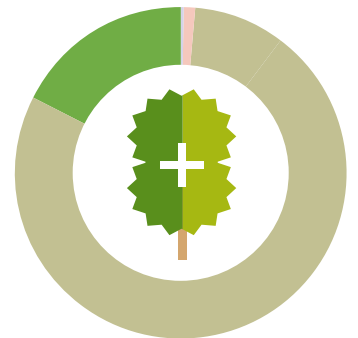
Total operational spend on open space 22/23

\$6.5 million



Tree health

Unknown	0.02%
Unviable	0.42%
Poor health	1.01%
Fair	8.87%
Good	72.18%
Very good	17.50%



Master planning in 2023

Complete

3

In progress

8

Total established trees planted 22/23

2,178



Trees in parks

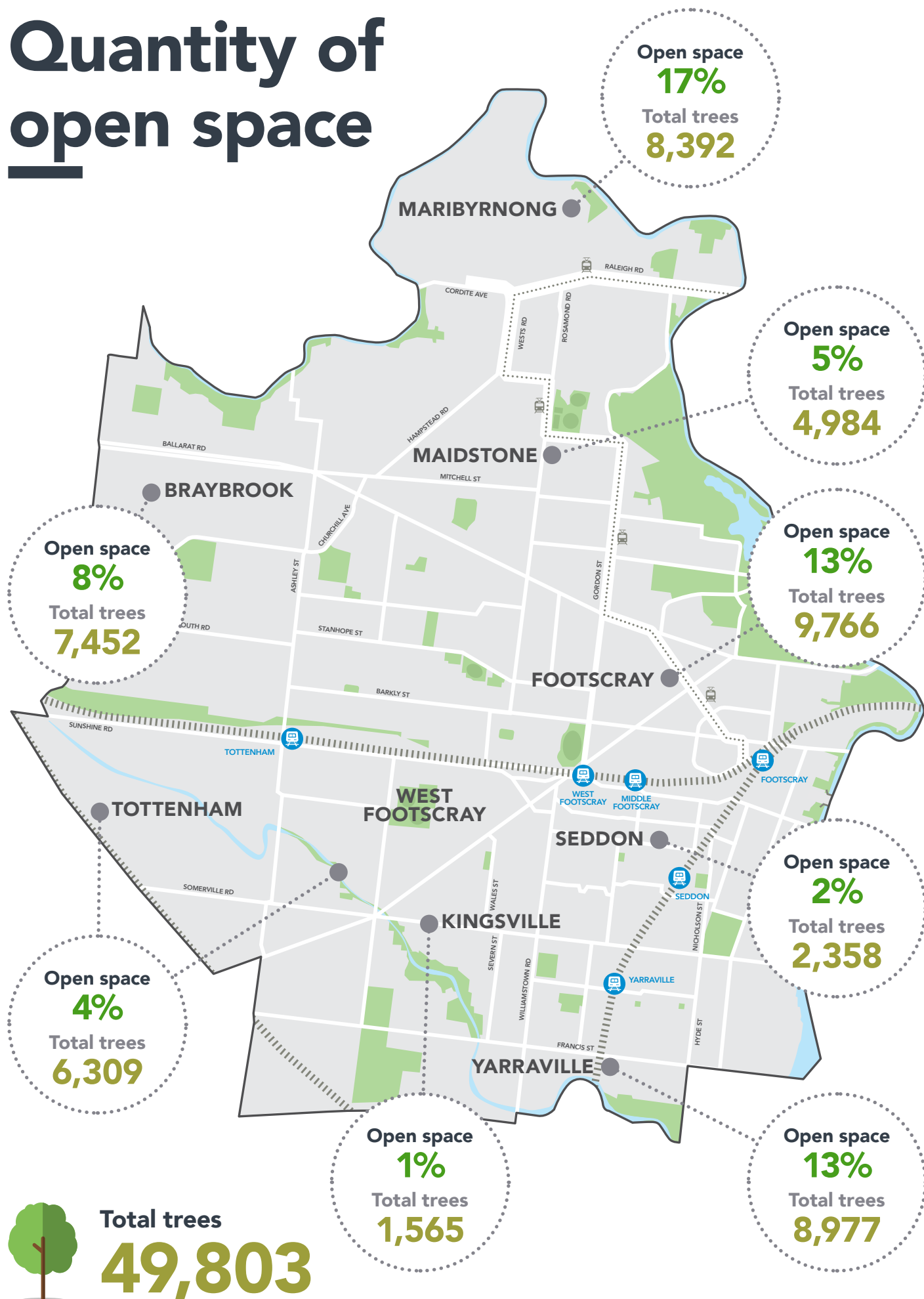
12,050

Trees on streets

37,753



Quantity of open space



Total trees
49,803



Advocacy

1

FOOTSCRAY HOSPITAL – Council is undertaking background research and developing advocacy options for the old Footscray Hospital site, inclusive of open space.

2

DEFENCE LAND – Council is advocating and actively meeting with the Federal Government to begin planning and development of the Maribyrnong Defence site, inclusive of open space.

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NEWELLS PADDOCK – Council is seeking to become Committee of Management for the area and seeking funding support to address infrastructure issues within the reserve.

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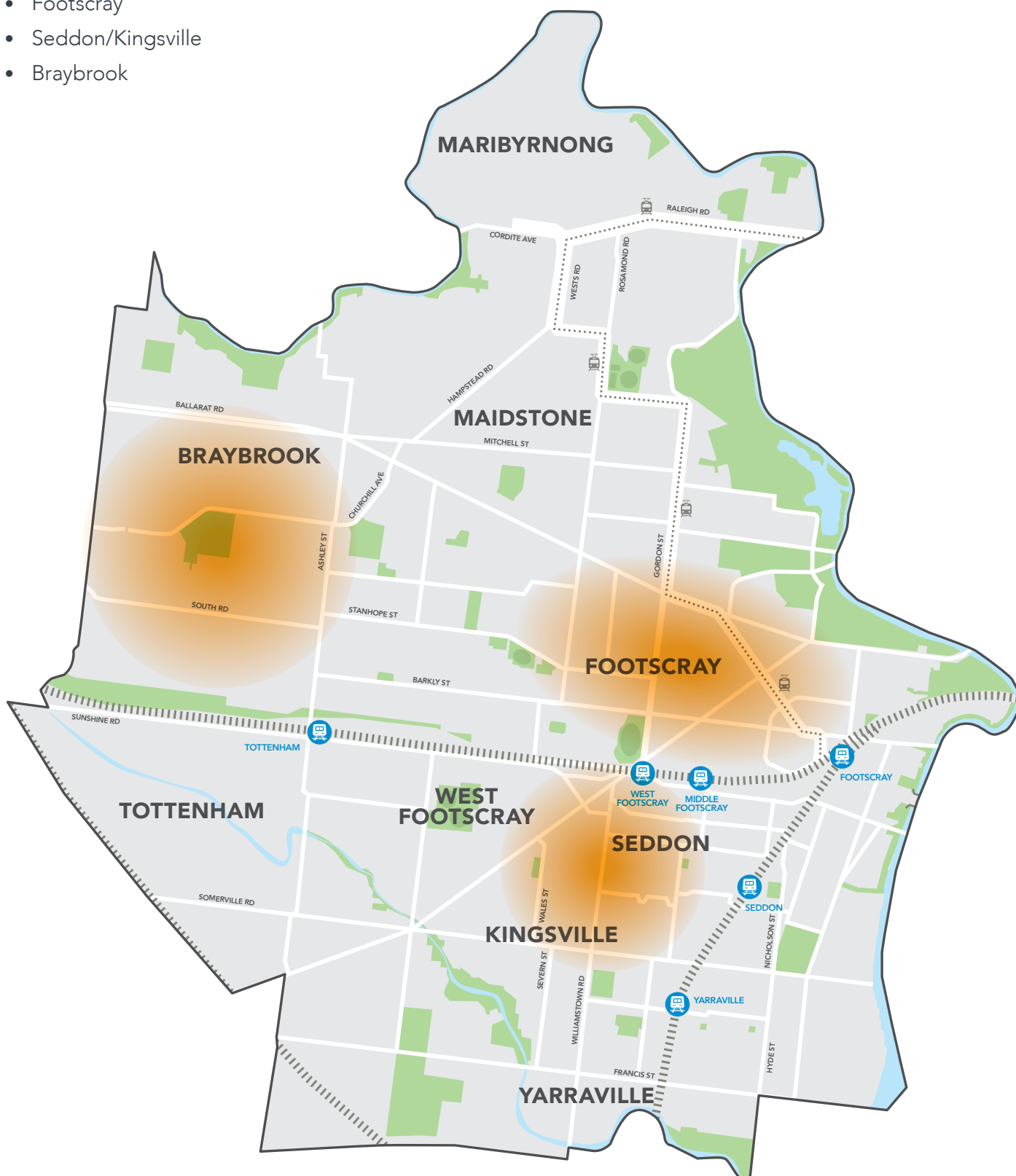
BRAYBROOK REGENERATION PROJECT – Council is working with the Victorian Planning Authority to regenerate Braybrook. The project seeks to create new and improved open space and community facilities, more diverse and affordable housing, vibrant activity areas for shopping, work and play, safer and easier travel, and greener streets, parks and homes.



Priority Zones

The following zones have been identified as being priority action zones due to the deficiency in open space. The deficiency has been determined based on quality, quantity and acceptability.

- Footscray
- Seddon/Kingsville
- Braybrook



Key Success

Progress

Master Plans

1	Mclvor Reserve	✓	Complete
2	Pennell Reserve	✓	Underway
3	Yarraville Oval	✓	Underway
4	Yarraville Gardens	✓	Underway
5	Maribyrnong Reserve	✓	Underway
6	Footscray Park	✓	Underway
7	Robert Barrett Reserve	✓	Underway
8	Pipemakers Park	✓	Underway
9	Dobson Reserve	✓	Underway
10	Shorten Reserve / Rec West Master Plan Review	✓	Complete
11	Hansen Reserve Master Plan Review	✓	Complete

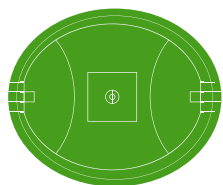
Landscape Plans

Lae St Reserve	✓	Under development
Harris Reserve	✓	Under development
Bellairs Park	✓	Under development



New Open Space

Park	Suburb	Area
Kurrong Park and other spaces in Stockland Estate including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Munitions Walk Inventory Walk Sergeant Walk Hanger Walk Basalt Walk 	Braybrook	14,677m ²
West Gate Tunnel Project (note not all land will be vested in council)	Various	15,015m ²
Garrong Park	Maidstone	2,247m ²
Saltriver Place	Footscray	622m ²
Lilardia Park	Footscray	1,700m ²
Birmingham St	Yarraville	830m ²
Berbert Park expansion	Footscray	1,100m ²
Bradmill Site	Yarraville	19,000m ²
JUA Footscray Primary School – Under negotiation	Footscray	3,310m ²
Shared path - Medway Golf Course	Maidstone	15,030m ²



Total (comparison – MCG is 20,000)

73,531 = 3.7 MCGs in land

Improvements and Upgrades

- Western Lawn
- Footscray Wharf
- Court St Raingarden

Policies Under Development

- Review of Naturestrips
- Fair Access Policy
- Fees and Charges Policy

Strategies impacting Open Space

Maribyrnong Play Strategy	✓ Underway
Maribyrnong Outdoor Sports Reserves Plan	✓ Underway
Maribyrnong Bikes Sports Infrastructure and Development Plan	✓ Complete
Open Space Asset Audit in FY24	✓ Underway





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