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WHAT IS THE ISSUE?

The City of Wanneroo is one of the largest and fastest growing local governments in Australia, already home to more than 250,000 people across 685km^2 and forecast to grow to more than 438,000 people by 2046.

Rapid population growth in Alkimos, Yanchep, East Wanneroo and Two Rocks is driving demand for Regional Open Spaces (ROS) to support active recreation, community wellbeing and liveability.

Recent State Government investment in housing and land releases across these areas will accelerate population growth and further increase demand for community infrastructure. Currently, there are no regional-level sporting precincts in the City of Wanneroo north of Kingsway Regional Sporting Complex, requiring residents to travel significant distances to access facilities.

Without early planning and land acquisition, opportunities to deliver appropriately sized and located Regional Open Spaces will be lost, limiting the City's ability to meet future community needs.

WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATE?

The need for Regional Open Spaces has been identified through State and regional planning frameworks, including the Northern Coastal Growth Corridor and East Wanneroo Community Facilities Plans.

The Alkimos Regional Open Space is the most advanced project of the City's four required ROS.

Significant State Government investment in METRONET, schools and community infrastructure is establishing Alkimos as a key growth precinct. Regional Open Space is a critical next step to ensure this investment delivers complete, liveable communities.

Some land for the Alkimos Regional Open Space was acquired by State Government in October 2021. The City has undertaken a needs assessment, prepared the Alkimos Open Spaces Spatial Master Plan and allocated $36 million toward delivering the Master Plan.

The City is ready to revisit the Master Plan once the State Government confirms the final site footprint, which will enable swift progress to Council endorsement and community consultation to progress this important facility. Regional Open Space provision across the northern corridor remains limited, and additional sites in Yanchep, Two Rocks and East Wanneroo have not yet been secured. Each Regional Open Space follows a tailored planning and approval processes based on localised regional recreation and sporting needs.

WHAT DOES THE COMMUNITY NEED?

Regional Open Spaces are critical large-scale community assets that support organised sport and active recreation, provide spaces for large-scale community use and attract visitors from across and outside the region.

To meet the needs of a rapidly growing population, the community requires delivery of the Alkimos Regional Open Space and planning and land acquisition for future Regional Open Spaces in Yanchep, Two Rocks and East Wanneroo. Timely delivery will improve access to recreation, support community health and social cohesion in new and emerging communities and ensure equitable access to facilities for outer metropolitan residents.

HOW CAN WE MAKE CHANGE HAPPEN?

The City of Wanneroo asks the State and/or Federal Government to:

- Progress land acquisition for Regional Open Spaces in Yanchep, Two Rocks and East Wanneroo.
- Finalise and secure the footprint for the Alkimos Regional Open Space.
- Fund construction of sporting and recreational infrastructure at Alkimos Regional Open Space following masterplan approval.

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