

Landscape Concept



Key Objectives



Design Approach

Stage 1 – Coode Street Foreshore (Commencing 2026)

The works will include realigning the existing pedestrian path further inland, away from the river, and constructing two new headlands to protect the foreshore from projected sea level and river level rises.

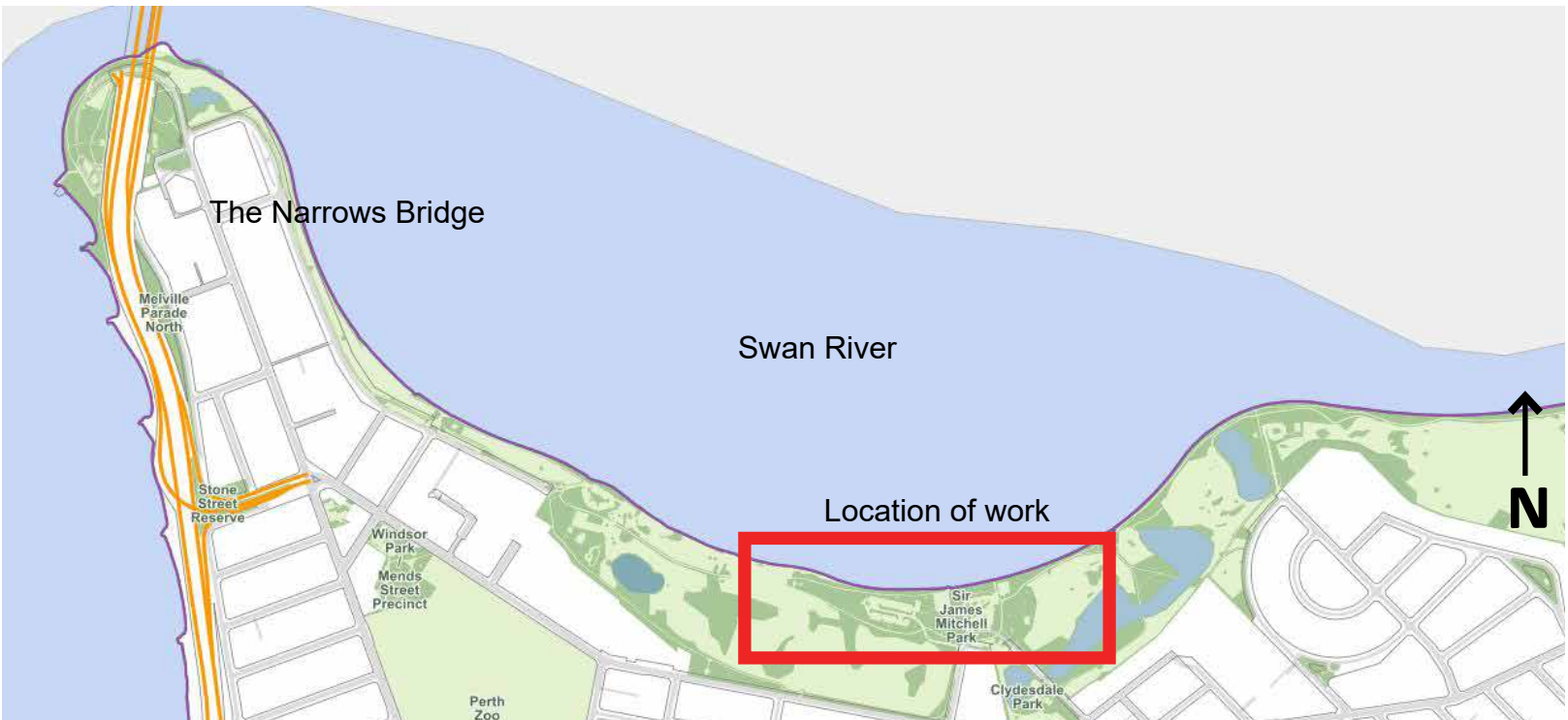
These improvements will provide an opportunity to regrade the existing river beaches and reconnect the river to nearby foreshore wetland areas, enhancing habitat for native wildlife such as the Rakali and Fairy Tern. The beaches near StrEATs and Funcats will be retained and regraded to enhance visitor experience, while the realigned path will improve pedestrian movement around the Funcats area and the Boatshed Café.

Stage 2 – Foreshore and Habitat Enhancement (Planned 2027–2028)

This stage will involve regrading the existing river beach between the Boatshed Café and the boat ramp, and introducing new habitat protection measures for the freshwater outflow near the jetty. The ageing river wall between the boat ramp and Djirda Miya will be removed, allowing the creation of a new gently sloping 1:20 grade recreation beach protected by two new headlands. Future play spaces and picnic areas will connect directly to this beach.

The parkland between Djirda Miya and Lake Douglas will be revegetated to establish new wildlife habitat and strengthen ecological connections between these areas.

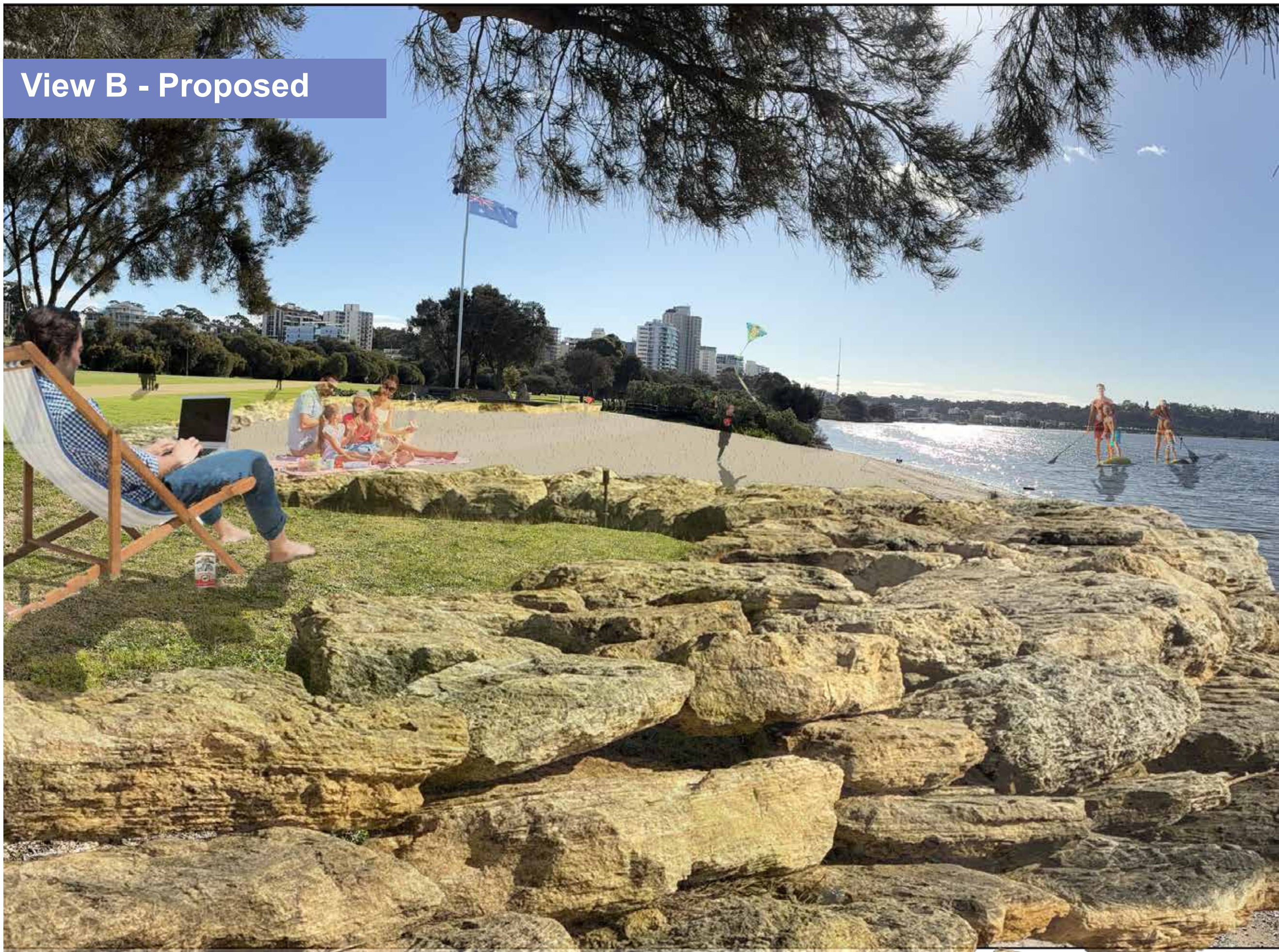
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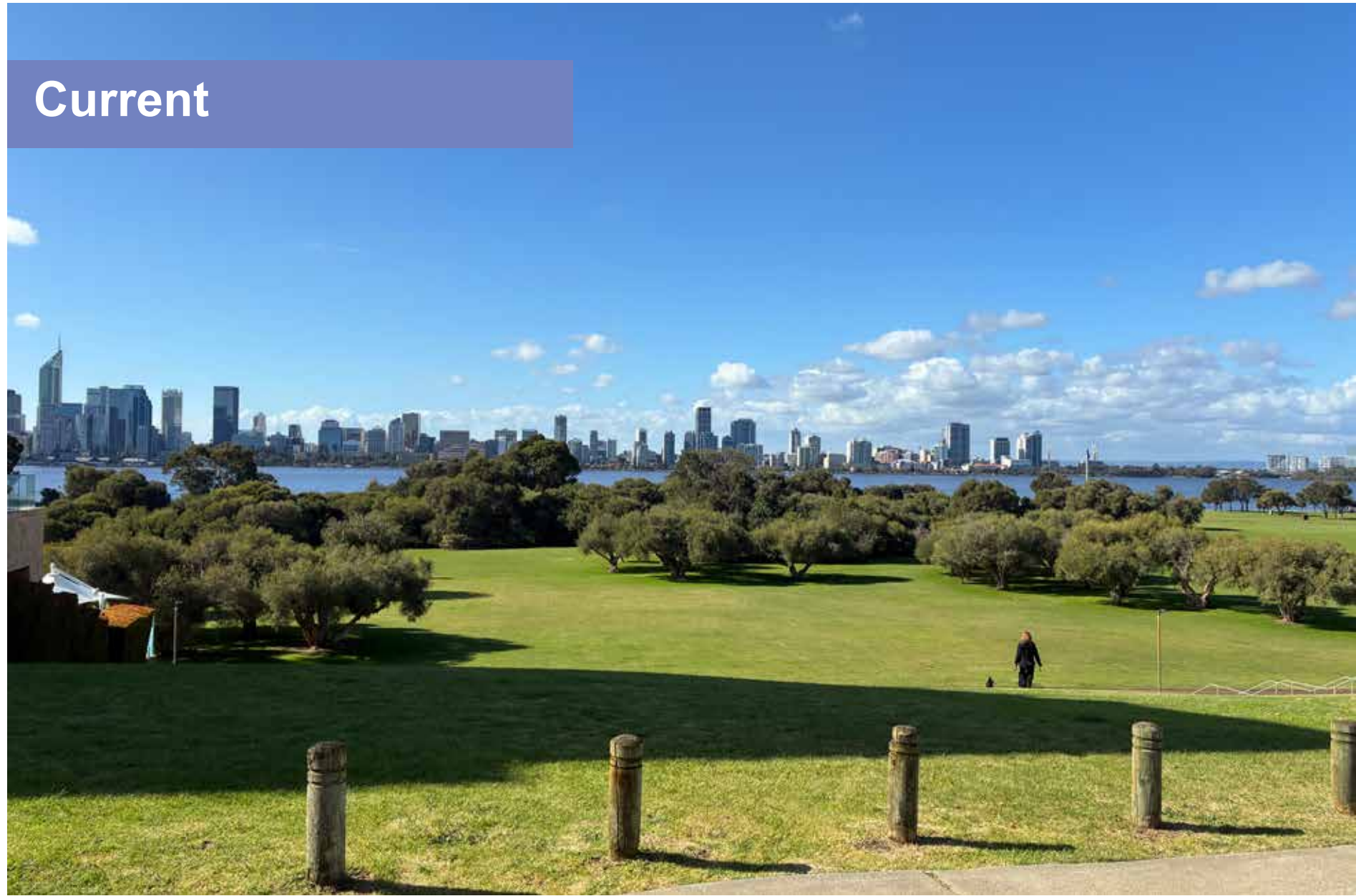
View A - Proposed



View B - Proposed



Current



The existing wetland and melaleuca grove will be linked with low-level planting and a limited number of new trees. A network of stabilised limestone pathways will provide continued pedestrian access through the area. The open tree canopy and low understorey planting will maintain clear sightlines for park users.

Current



The existing pedestrian footpath will be relocated further inland from the riverbank. The additional space created will allow the currently eroded and steep foreshore to be regraded to a more stable profile. Two new headlands will be constructed to protect the beach from ongoing erosion. The headland adjacent to the "StrEATs" food van site will be turfed, while the second headland will be revegetated with native plantings.

View C- Proposed



View E - Proposed



Current



The existing pedestrian footpath will be widened to alleviate the current pinch point adjacent to the Boatshed Café. Winter storm protection measures will be incorporated as part of the new path construction. A planted drainage swale will be installed to redirect stormwater around the Boatshed Café towards the river, reducing flooding impacts within the car park and surrounding parkland.

Current



The existing pedestrian footpath will be relocated further inland from the river. Existing beaches will be regraded, and the deteriorated river walls will be removed. This will create new recreational beach areas adjacent to the proposed regional playspace and universal access toilet facility. The new beach will be protected by the construction of two new headlands.

View D - Proposed



Current



Swans and other bird species frequent the freshwater spring outflow that enters the river at this location. The proposed works will enhance and protect this outflow through the planting of native rushes and sedges, and by restricting public access to this section of the beach. A publicly accessible beach will be retained adjacent to the existing Coode Street Boat Ramp.