Part C - Precinct Plans

28. Erskineville

The Erskineville precinct is bound by Erskineville Road/ Swanson Street to the north, Mitchell Road to the east, Sydney Park Road to the South and King Street to the west. Located within the precinct is 'Ashmore Estate' which is earmarked as an urban renewal area and will provide opportunities for new street tree planting. Species have not been nominated, their selection will be based upon the palette of trees nominated for this precinct, or precincts immediately surrounding.

28.1 Precinct objectives

<u>General</u>

- To enhance the streetscape with street trees of appropriate scale and form.
- To respect established street tree character.
- To reinforce the residential character through a mix of deciduous and evergreen tree planting.
- Reinforce the visual and physical connectivity between existing and proposed streets.
- Final species selection will be based on the surrounding built form and tolerance to flood inundation, sandy soils and having minimal distrubance to the water table;
- · To develop opportunities for in-road or blister planting.

27.2 Precinct conditions

Existing street trees

Large scale mature avenue trees such as Plane Trees, are located on main roads that border and traverse the precinct, such as Swanson Street. King Street has very limited opportunities for increased tree planting due to the density of buildings and awnings. Many streets provide unique streetscapes such as Pleasant Avenue which is a very diverse mix of species and Ashmore Street which is a impressive avenue of Jacaranda trees.

Current Dominant species

Elaeocarpus reticulatus Melaleuca quinquenervia Platanus acerifolia Pistacia chinensis Blueberry Ash Paperbark Plane Tree Chinese Pistachio

Built form and road widths

Road widths vary greatly, but the majority of streets are fine grained and narrow. Architecture consists of Victorian terrace houses and medium scale warehouses. The major park in the precinct is Erskineville Oval which provides significant borrowed landscape to the surrounding area.

Geological conditions

The precinct covers the interface between the Wianamatta Shale and the ancient windblown Botany Sands.

Soil conditions

The soils typically include the shale derived clay soils to the western part of the precinct and deeper sandy soils in the east.

28.3 Proposed Primary Tree Species Palette

Common Name	Species
Brush Box	Lophostemon confertus
Coast Banksia	Banksia integrifolia
Lemon Scented Myrtle	Backhousia citriodora
Tuckeroo	Cupaniopsis anacardioides
London Plane	Platanus acerifolia
Golden Robinia	Robinia pseudoacacia 'Frisia'
Jacaranda	Jacaranda mimosifolia
Chinese Pistachio	Pistacia chinensis
Water Gum	Tristaniopsis laurina
Blueberry Ash	Elaeocarpus reticulatus



Figure 82- Avenue of Jacarandas in Ashmore Street. (Photo: Arterra)



Figure 83- Diverse mix of species in Pleasant Avenue. (Photo: Arterra)

