



**Stamford Park Landscape Scope, Knox VIC**

Stamford Park is a 52 ha site adjacent to Corhanwarabul Creek in Rowville. The site is of regional bio-significance and of high cultural interest. It has however been greatly modified and degraded through previous land management and agricultural practices.

Knox City Council engaged Tract Consultants to prepare a master plan and project development proposing an integrated residential and parkland development. The Knox brief calls for innovation and integration of social, economic and environmental issues within the wider landscape and residential fabric of the site.

**Core components of the Master Plan:**

- 7.2 ha residential housing development comprising 80-150 dwellings with a central community open space.
- Plaza and Town Square.
- 45 ha of parkland and floodplain.
- Rehabilitation and extension to create 30 ha of riparian vegetation and floodplain habitat.
- Wetland and wet meadow for storm water retention and water quality treatment.
- Water storage for irrigation.
- On-site water re-use for recreation and ornamental purposes.
- Water storage for aquifer recharge water.

- “Stamford Park” Heritage Homestead and Gardens.
- Historic interpretation of indigenous heritage, post-european settlement, environment and culture.
- Cultural and recreational open space and facilities including adventure playground, ‘village green’, shared bicycle trail, boardwalks and nature trails.

Through the implementation of conventional and proven best practice in urban design and landscape architecture, Tract has adopted an ecological systems approach to planning, design and adaptive management. The vision for Stamford Park has emerged from an extension of this approach to water management, vegetation, economic, community and cultural components.