Points of Interest

Parks



There are a large number of parks and reserves in the Shirley/Papanui area which are classified as being of metropolitan, major or local significance.

Their uses vary: they may be neighbourhood parks, district/botanical, sports, major picnic or riverbank reserve.

Erica Reserve, an enhanced boxed drain

Of interest are the Packe Street Park (below), being a recent example of a small neighbourhood park, initiated and 'adopted' by local residents; and Erica Reserve (above), where a boxed drain has been enhanced to make an attractive reserve for the enjoyment of residents.



Packe Reserve - a neighbourhood reserve

Points of Interest cont'd ...



St Albans Community Resource Centre, 1049 Colombo Street.

Buildings

The St Albans Community Resource Centre was the former Edgeware Library building and was managed for many years by a committee of volunteers. The area is now served by a mobile library bus service.

The current building at 1049 Colombo Street, Edgeware, was rebuilt and opened in 1921, replacing the old St Albans Public Library that was originally established in 1867 and reorganised in 1870. The building is currently being developed into a facility for use by groups and residents of St Albans, while retaining the character and style of the building as much as possible.

Facilities

The Shirley/Papanui Community Board has always been keen to provide leisure facilities for all age groups: walkways, play equipment, cycleways, half-courts and skateboard ramps.

One of the latest developments is the provision of a permanent skateboard ramp in Sheldon Park, Belfast. The temporary facility proved to be very popular. This project was a joint partnership between the Rotary Club of Belfast and the Shirley/Papanui Community Board.

The Board has also set aside funding for a permanent skateboard ramp in the Shirley area.

A skater enjoying the new permanent ramp at Sheldon Park.

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