City of Swan



Altone Local Area Plan

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The City of Swan acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of this region, the Whadjuk people of the Noongar Nation and their continuing connection to the land, waters and community. We pay our respects to Elders past and present, and their descendants.

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Cover image: *Pure Energy*, a mosaic artwork by Geoff Yorke outside the Beechboro Community Centre.



Rosher Park, Lockridge.

A message from the Mayor

The City of Swan comprises a large land area with diverse communities. Planning for such a diverse area requires creative solutions.

Local area plans provide the opportunity to recognise the unique character and needs of these diverse communities.

Local area planning involves local community members identifying their priorities for their local area. The City then uses these priorities to guide service delivery across the local area for the next five years. The Local Area Plan (LAP) is therefore, an important document for the City to plan for infrastructure and services and manage change at a local level.

The City appreciates the tremendous support and contribution made by community members and other stakeholders in developing the Altone LAP.

Mayor Tanya Richardson
City of Swan

Introduction

Local area planning has been adopted by Council under its Integrated Planning Framework and provides a mechanism for local communities to address issues through a consultative process.

The process establishes community priorities for each local area. LAPs help consolidate the City's Strategic Community Plan vision of 'One City, diverse people, cultures and places', while meeting the objectives and actions in the Local Planning Strategy.

These objectives and outcomes are then further developed to be prioritised specific to the relevant local area. This LAP provides a full review of the community priorities and, through community consultation, identifies the current priorities for the Altone local area.



Swan Active Beechboro.

Altone local area

The Altone local area is an area of cultural diversity, established communities and natural assets. It includes a vibrant multicultural population and important local parks and reserves that support biodiversity and recreation.

The area encompasses the suburbs of Beechboro, Bennett Springs, Kiara, Lockridge, and parts of Caversham and Whiteman. It is well connected by key transport routes including Reid Highway, Altone Road, and Benara Road. Additionally, Altone offers convenient access to nearby commercial and employment centres such as Malaga and Midland.

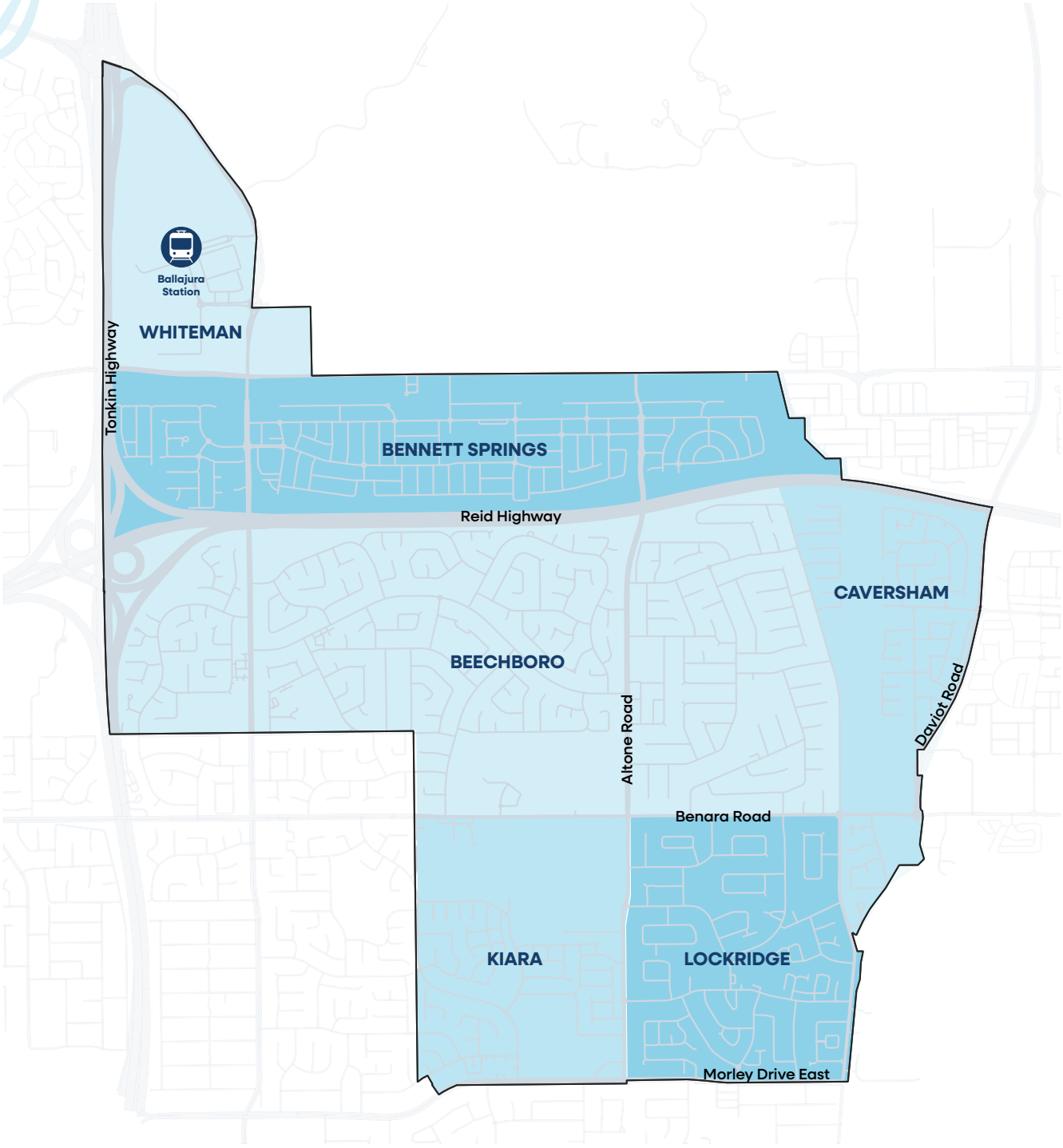


Figure 1: Suburb breakdown of Altone

Establishment. Foundation. History

Pre-European settlement

The Altone area lies on the traditional lands of the Whadjuk Noongar people, who lived sustainably through seasonal movement, hunting, and gathering. Bennett Brook was a vital campsite, food and water source, and a place of spiritual significance. Lockridge, traditionally known as 'Mooroo', was part of Yellagonga's country and included ancestral camping grounds.

1829

Land along the Swan River is allocated by Surveyor General John Septimus Roe, marking the start of European settlement in the area.

1837

The present-day suburb of Lockridge developed from the adjoining rural estates of 'Oatslands' and 'Baylie Park,' which were later combined into a single farm known as '*Pyrton*.'

1870s

The history of Beechboro began when a substantial portion of the Caversham estate was subdivided into large farming and agricultural lots, and the area was renamed from its original designation, 'Beechborough Park.'

1920s

Pyrton Farm was surrendered to the Crown, paving the way for residential development in the Altone area as part of a war service land settlement scheme.

1921

Walter Padbury named Altone Road.



1943

A wireless telecommunications station was established in Lockridge, which was designated a restricted site during World War II.

1960s

The State Housing Commission acquired 240 acres in Lockridge to develop the Lockridge Housing Estate for low-income families.

1970s

The area's development began with the initial subdivision north of Benara Road, evolving into the modern suburb of Beechboro.

1989

Final subdivisions were approved in western Beechboro, marking the beginning of development in Kiara.



1990s

The suburb of Kiara was officially named after an Aboriginal word meaning 'white cockatoo.' Development also began in the area now known as Bennett Springs.

Homeswest developments in Lockridge underwent urban renewal in response to underperformance.

1995

Altone Park officially opened in April, offering community facilities including a library, sports hall, gym, function room, and café.

Early 2000s

The new Kiara Police Station opened, replacing the old Lockridge station.

The Altone Aquatic Centre and golf course were developed, with the Altone Leisure Centre opening the following year to provide additional sports, recreation, and aquatic facilities.

2000 – 2010

Bennett Springs continued to develop as a distinct suburb, featuring new housing estates, local parks, and community amenities.

The Altone Place Plan was endorsed by Council in 2009 as a community development strategy, later replaced by local area planning.

2014

'Altone Comes Alive' started as an annual Harmony Week event at Altone Park with multicultural performances and food stalls. By 2014, attendance had grown to around 8,000, showcasing its significance as a community celebration.

2019

The Beechboro Community Hub opened following the redevelopment of the Altone Place Library and Leisure Centre into a single facility with a library, leisure centre, café, and City of Swan service office.



2021

The refurbished Swan Active Beechboro (formerly Altone Place Leisure Centre) won Community Facility of the Year at the 2021 Parks and Leisure Association WA Awards.

2024

The concept design for the Altone Skate and Recreation Zone was completed, incorporating community input for a major new youth and recreation space at Altone Park.



Altone at a glance

The Altone local area is a growing and diverse part of the City of Swan with steady population growth. The area has a strong multicultural character, with a large proportion of residents born overseas and a significant Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population. The average age of residents remained stable between 2016 and 2021, but there was a slight decline in parents and homebuilders, and the young workforce, which is contrasted by an increase in senior age groups.

Altone residents are employed across a range of industries, with strong representation in health care, retail, construction, manufacturing, and accommodation and food services. The most common occupations include trade workers, community and personal service workers, and labourers.

Population

2024 resident population

Altone	City of Swan
24,136	179,207

Needs assistance with core activities

Altone	City of Swan
5.5%	4.6%

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population

Altone	City of Swan
4.1%	3.5%

Residents born overseas

Altone	City of Swan
38%	33.6%

Median age

Altone	City of Swan
36 years	35 years

Households

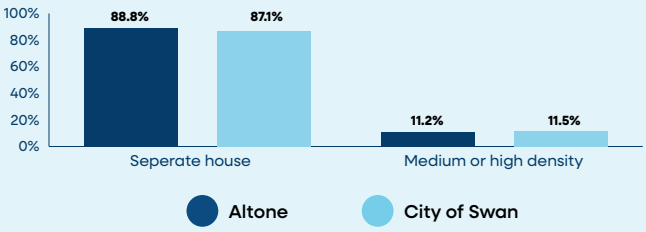
Couples with children

Altone	City of Swan
34%	36%

Lone person households

Altone	City of Swan
22%	20%

Dwelling type



Total Dwelling change 2016-2021

Altone	City of Swan
+190	+8,054

The data presented are based on the 2021 ABS Census of Population and Housing, as well as the 2024 Estimated Resident Population from ABS Regional Population Growth data, which is sourced from .id (informed decisions): https://profile.id.com.au/swan

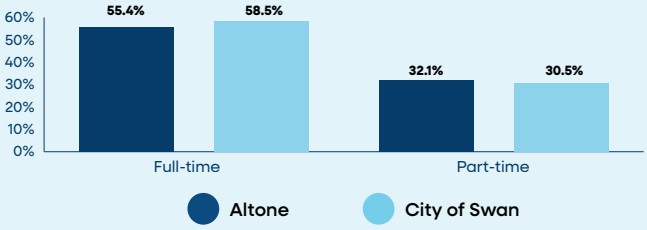
Employment

Labour force participation rate

63.1% Altone

67.5% City of Swan

Employment



Unemployment rate

7.2% Altone

5.4% City of Swan

Top five industries

13.6% Healthcare and social assistance
(City 13.3%)

11.3% Retail and trade
(City 10.2%)

9.1% Construction
(City 9.1%)

7.2% Accommodation and Food Services
(City 6.1%)

7.2% Manufacturing
(City 6.4%)

Age structure

Largest changes in age structures (3-4 items) 2016 to 2021

Seniors (70 to 84)	↑ +449
Young workforce (25 to 34)	↓ -276
Empty nesters and retirees (60 to 69)	↑ +273
Parents and homebuilders (35 to 49)	↓ -219

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Alstonia Park play space.

State influence. Land use. Frameworks

Perth is a growing City, expected to reach a population of 3.5 million by 2050. To manage this growth, the State Government has created a plan to define the future urban footprint of the Perth and Peel regions. This plan identifies land for residential, commercial, and industrial development and guides how to best use existing and proposed social, community, and physical infrastructure.

The North-East Sub-Regional Planning Framework (NESRPF) provides strategic guidance to government agencies and local governments on all aspects of land use and infrastructure provision in the North-East sub-region. Covering a total area of approximately 2,010 square kilometres, this sub-region includes the Cities of Swan and Kalamunda, as well as the Shire of Mundaring.

The Altone local area is identified in the NESRPF primarily as part of the Urban Core, where future planning is expected to focus on infill development, greater housing diversity, and improved access to local services and infrastructure. The framework supports infill targets, by encouraging redevelopment that makes more efficient use of land within the existing urban footprint. Aligned with the NESRPF's objectives, this approach promotes a more compact urban form, supports a wider range of housing options, and contributes to improved housing affordability. It also reinforces the importance of integrated land use and infrastructure planning, while maintaining liveability, enhancing access to services, and facilitating sustainable growth in established areas like Altone.

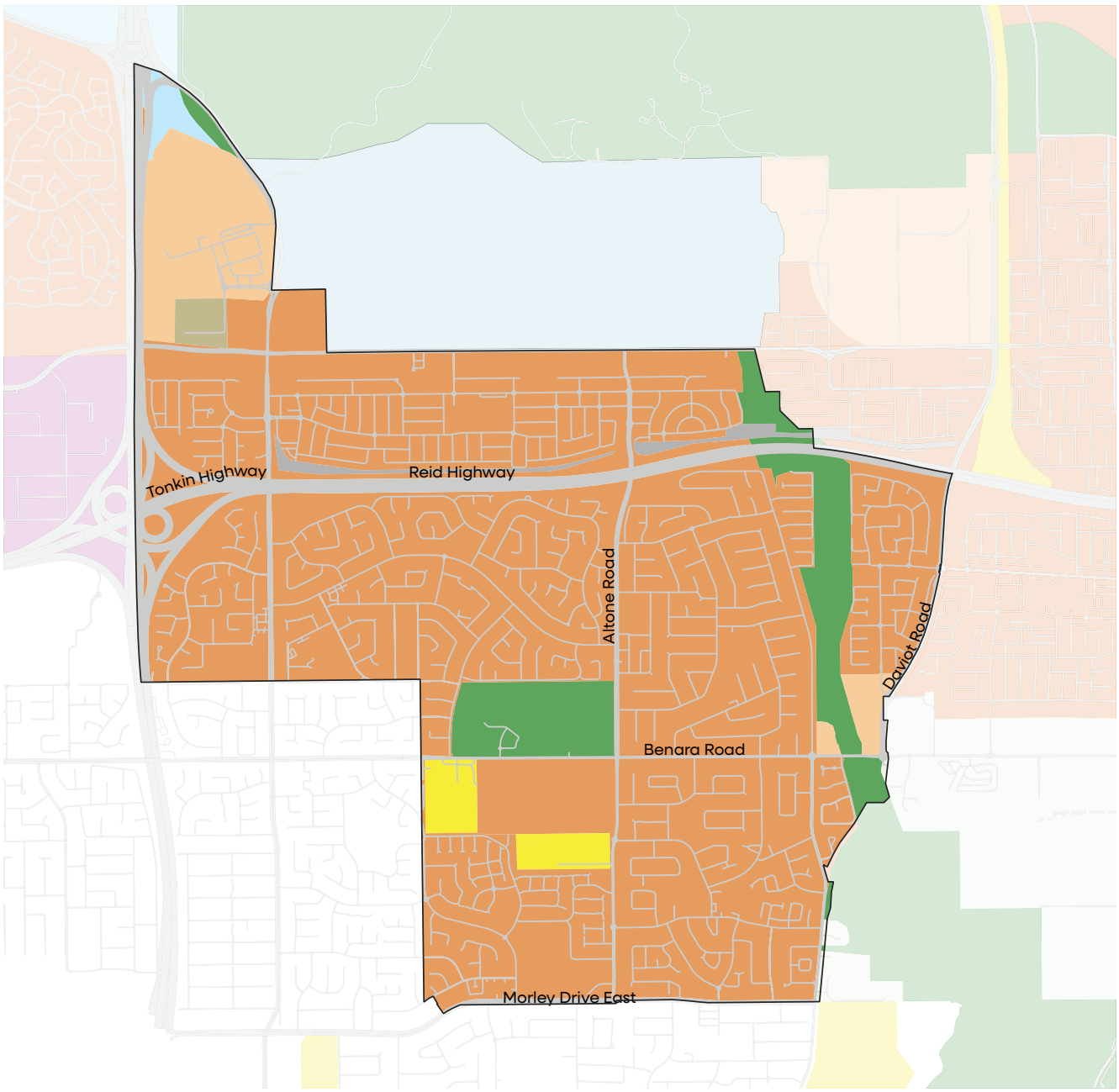


Figure 2: Altone State Government Planning Framework

- Open space
- Public purposes
- Urban
- Urban deferred
- Railway (potential future alignment)
- Planning investigation
- Urban expansion



Swan Active Beechboro entrance.

Community Infrastructure Plan

Community infrastructure includes buildings and spaces such as community centres, parks, and sports facilities provided for, and used by, the community. The Community Infrastructure Plan is a guide for the planning and delivery of these places so they can meet the needs of your evolving communities.

Community infrastructure planning for the Altone area uses data and trends to guide future needs including considering changing population forecasts and expected increases in housing density.

The City completes assessments in your local area as part of the local area planning process to understand the needs, requirements, and gaps in the infrastructure provided. These assessments include:

- Looking at existing infrastructure in the area and seeing if it aligns with the City's Community Infrastructure Plan, Standards of Provision, and other key documents
- Analysing population forecasts, demographics, demands, trends, usage, and the condition of existing facilities
- Engaging with the community on the use of existing facilities and aspirations for these facilities.

After the review, the City will form infrastructure priorities that will be valid for a five to ten year period.

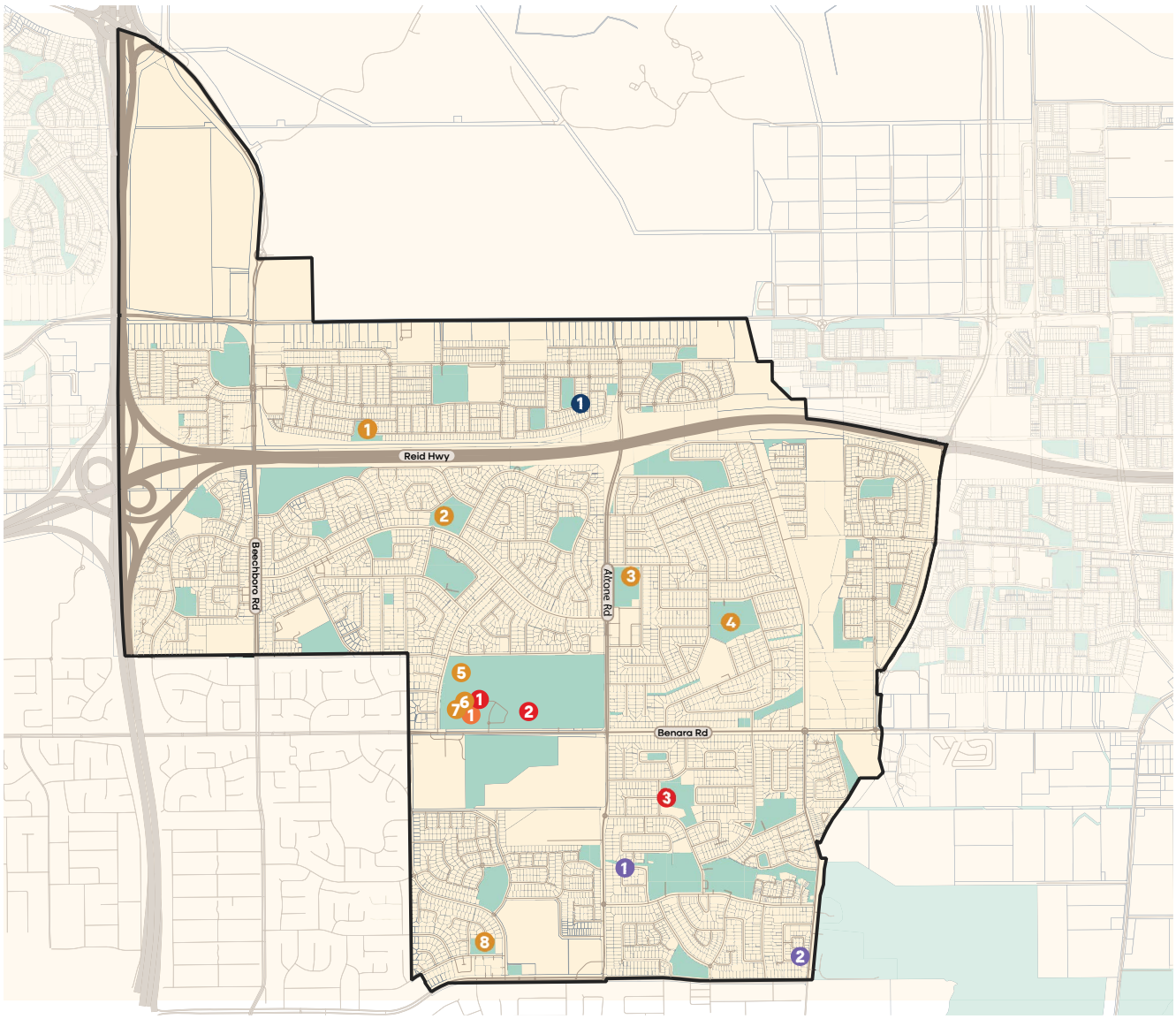


Figure 3: Altone Community Infrastructure Plan

Community facilities

1. Altone Youth Centre refurbishment
2. Swan Active Beechboro construction new wellness area
3. Lockridge community centre refurbishment

Roads and civil

1. New street light – Jennings Way
2. New street light – Scanlon Way

Art

1. Public art piece Altone outdoor skate and recreation zone

Natural areas

1. Urban tree planting

Parks public open space

1. Fairywren Park playground replacement
2. Ottowa Park playground replacement
3. Beechboro all abilities playspace new construction project (Hull Park)
4. Maguire Oval upgrade sports lighting to 100 lux
5. Altone Park north upgrade sports lighting
6. Altone Park new construction exercise equipment
7. Altone outdoor skate and recreation zone new construction project
8. Forrest Park playground replacement



Springs Apartments by Qube, Bennett Springs.

Place. Character. Growth

The Altone local area comprises a mix of established suburbs and newer residential developments, offering a range of housing types to suit different needs and lifestyles.

Much of the housing stock in Beechboro, Kiara, and Lockridge consists of detached single dwellings built in the mid to late 20th century on moderate-sized lots. In contrast, Bennett Springs and parts of Caversham feature more recent medium-density housing, reflecting population growth and changing demographics. Infill development and subdivision are gradually increasing residential diversity, while planned growth around the new Ballajura Train Station is expected to encourage more compact, transit-oriented housing in the future.

Although Altone is primarily an established local area, several recent projects have contributed to its built environment, ensuring it continues to meet the needs of a growing and changing population:

- The Reid Highway Dual Carriageway project, completed in 2020, was a $77.5 million upgrade that converted a 4 km section of Reid Highway between Altone Road and West Swan Road into a dual carriageway, easing congestion and improving traffic flow. The project included a new Arthur Street bridge to enhance local connectivity, shared paths for pedestrians and cyclists, landscaping and noise mitigation measures, and cultural features reflecting the heritage of the Whadjuk Noongar people.
- The Brockman Community Centre was completed in late 2022 at Hull Park, Beechboro, replacing the former facility that had served the community for over 30 years. It was a $5 million project, co-funded by the State Government, Lotterywest, and the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program. The centre provides flexible indoor and outdoor spaces, meeting rooms, a kitchen, and amenities designed to support a wide range of uses, from childcare and early learning to adult education, life-skills workshops, and wellbeing activities.
- Ballajura Train Station opened in December 2024 as part of the METRONET Morley–Ellenbrook Line and serves as a major new transport facility within the Altone local area. Located in Whiteman, the station provides improved public transport connections for residents of Bennett Springs, Beechboro, and surrounding suburbs, linking them directly to the Perth CBD and northern growth areas. The station features modern amenities, shared paths for cyclists and pedestrians, and sustainable design elements. The State Government is planning to commence development around the station within the near future. This will see a large residential development, kickstarting broader development of the area surrounding the train station.

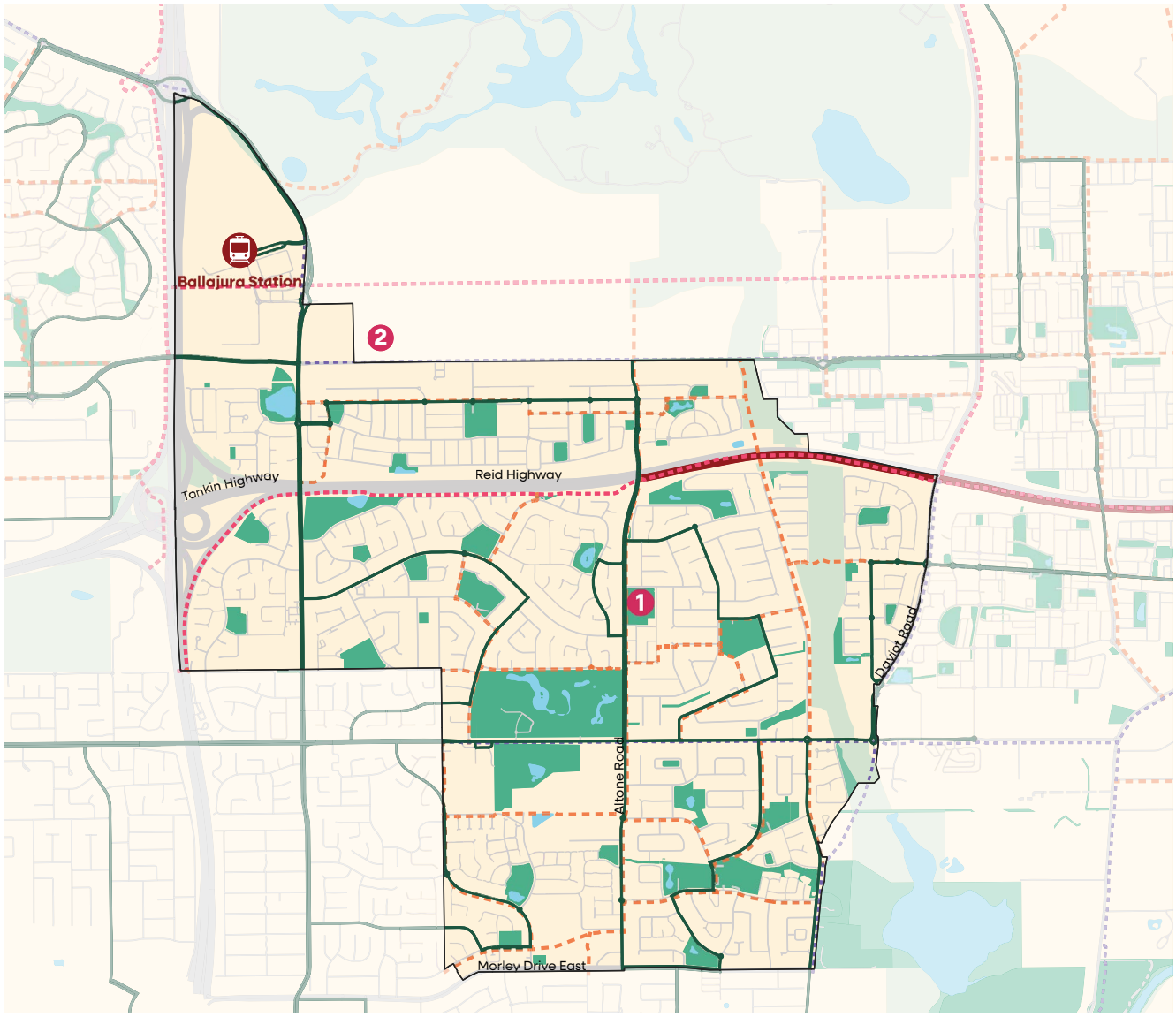


Figure 4: Bus routes, completed projects, and cycle paths

1. Brockman Community Centre
2. Perth Film Studios

- Bus route
- Reid Highway Dual Carriageway
- Primary cycle route
- Secondary cycle route
- Local cycle route



Rosher Park, Lockridge.

Green. Sustainable. Conservation

Local Natural Areas (LNAs) are clusters of native species or ecological communities located outside state conservation lands, where they continue to support local biodiversity and ecosystem health.

In Altone, St Lawrence Park, Orchid Park, and the bushland at the western end of Thorburn Park are classified within the Southern River vegetation complex, characterised by open woodland species such as Marri, Jarrah, and various Banksias. This vegetation community is significantly underrepresented and fragmented across the area, with only a small portion of its original extent remaining and protected. These sites serve as important examples of LNAs and play a crucial role in protecting the remaining native flora and fauna.

Central to the ecological integrity of these sites is Bennett Brook, a prominent natural bushland corridor and designated Bush Forever site that extends across several localities within the City of Swan, including Altone. Bennett Brook functions as a vital ecological link, connecting fragmented bushland and wetland habitats while supporting native biodiversity. It also contributes significantly to maintaining local hydrology and holds cultural significance for the Whadjuk Noongar people.

Urban Greening and Community Engagement Initiatives

- The City encourages residents to request a tree through the 'Free Street Trees Program'. Planting takes place in winter, and requests are assessed based on factors such as available space, suitable species, existing streetscape themes, resident preferences, and soil conditions.
- A series of free 'Branching Out' workshops were held in Lockridge from May to July 2024. These workshops aimed to foster positive perceptions of the value of trees and encourage their retention and planting within the community. Topics included gardening, verge greening, and a walk-and-talk session, all supporting the City's Urban Forest Plan (2022), which outlines the vision and strategies for protecting and establishing the City's urban forest.
- The City also runs a 'Free Trees and Plants Giveaway' to support the revegetation of urban and rural properties across the local government area. Residents in Altone can apply for a free native plant pack, which includes six native seedlings such as shrubs, strappy-leafed ground covers, and climbers. For more information and to apply for the 2026 giveaway, visit the **Free Trees and Plants Giveaway** page.
- A Friends Group is a volunteer-based community group dedicated to conserving and protecting a local reserve in partnership with the City of Swan. The City supports these groups by providing environmental and technical advice, training and education, budget assistance, seedlings for revegetation, and essential insurance and safety equipment. In Altone, 'Friends of Bennett Brook' have been active since 1998, working to restore and enhance the ecological health of the reserve. Their efforts focus on increasing biodiversity and improving habitat for native wildlife in this urban bushland. The group regularly hosts community planting, weeding, and rubbish clean-up days, welcoming participation from all members of the public.

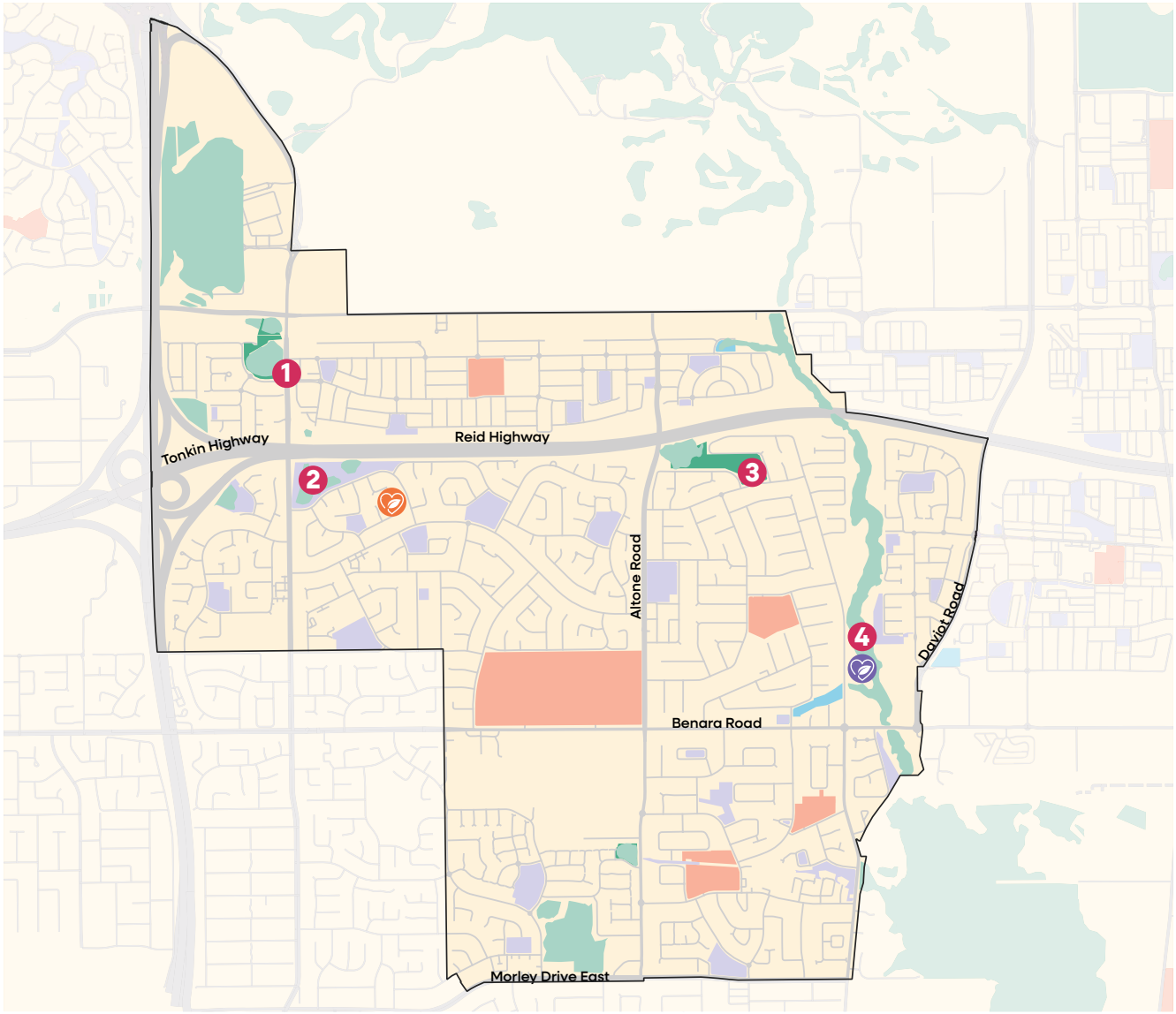


Figure 5: Parks, Reserves, and Local Natural Areas

- Local natural areas
- Active
- Passive
- Nature
- Foreshore

1. Orchid Park
2. St Lawrence Park
3. Thorburn Park
4. Bennett Brook

'Friends Of' Groups

- Friends of St Lawrence
- Friends of Bennett Brook

Community. Identity. Support

The Altone local area is enriched by a diverse network of community facilities and services that play a crucial role in shaping local identity and fostering social support.

These spaces provide opportunities for recreation, learning, cultural celebration, and connection across all ages and backgrounds. The following facilities represent some of the key assets supporting the community:

Swan Active Beechboro:

A key recreational hub for the Altone community, offering a gym, swimming pool, group fitness classes, and indoor sports courts. It plays an important role in promoting health, wellbeing, and social connection across all age groups. The centre also hosts community events and programs that bring residents together in an active and welcoming environment.

Brockman Community Centre:

Provides a wide range of services supporting families, children, and culturally diverse communities. Its programs include early childhood activities, parenting support, community development initiatives, and multicultural engagement. The centre is well known for building strong relationships with local residents and promoting inclusion, particularly among Aboriginal and migrant families.

Meerilinga Beechboro:

A dedicated early years and family support centre, Meerilinga offers a play-based Early Learning Program for children aged 2½ to 5 years, along with community playgroups and parenting workshops. The centre provides inclusive, culturally safe services, including Aboriginal-led programs and Noongar language activities. Meerilinga plays a vital role in supporting young families and fostering early development in the local area.

Altone Youth Futures:

Provides programs, activities, and support tailored to at-risk young people aged 11 to 25. The centre operates as a drop-in space where young people can engage in recreational activities, share a meal, and connect with youth workers in a safe and welcoming environment. It also offers informal counselling, case management, and outreach services that promote wellbeing, social inclusion, and skill development. The service helps young people feel heard, included, and connected to their community.

Beechboro Public Library:

A welcoming and inclusive public space that supports lifelong learning and digital access. In addition to its lending collection, the library hosts regular programs for children, youth, and adults, including storytelling sessions, coding clubs, and community workshops. It provides free internet and study spaces, making it a valuable resource for education and community engagement. The library also offers digital literacy support and social programs that help older residents stay connected and engaged.

Western Swan Home Support:

Provides a safe and welcoming environment for day respite and social connection for eligible City of Swan residents living with dementia and their carers. In addition to this, Western Swan Home Support helps eligible seniors access subsidised aged care services to remain independent at home and connected to their community.

These facilities are part of a broader network of parks, open spaces and community events and initiatives that together support a connected, inclusive, and vibrant community.

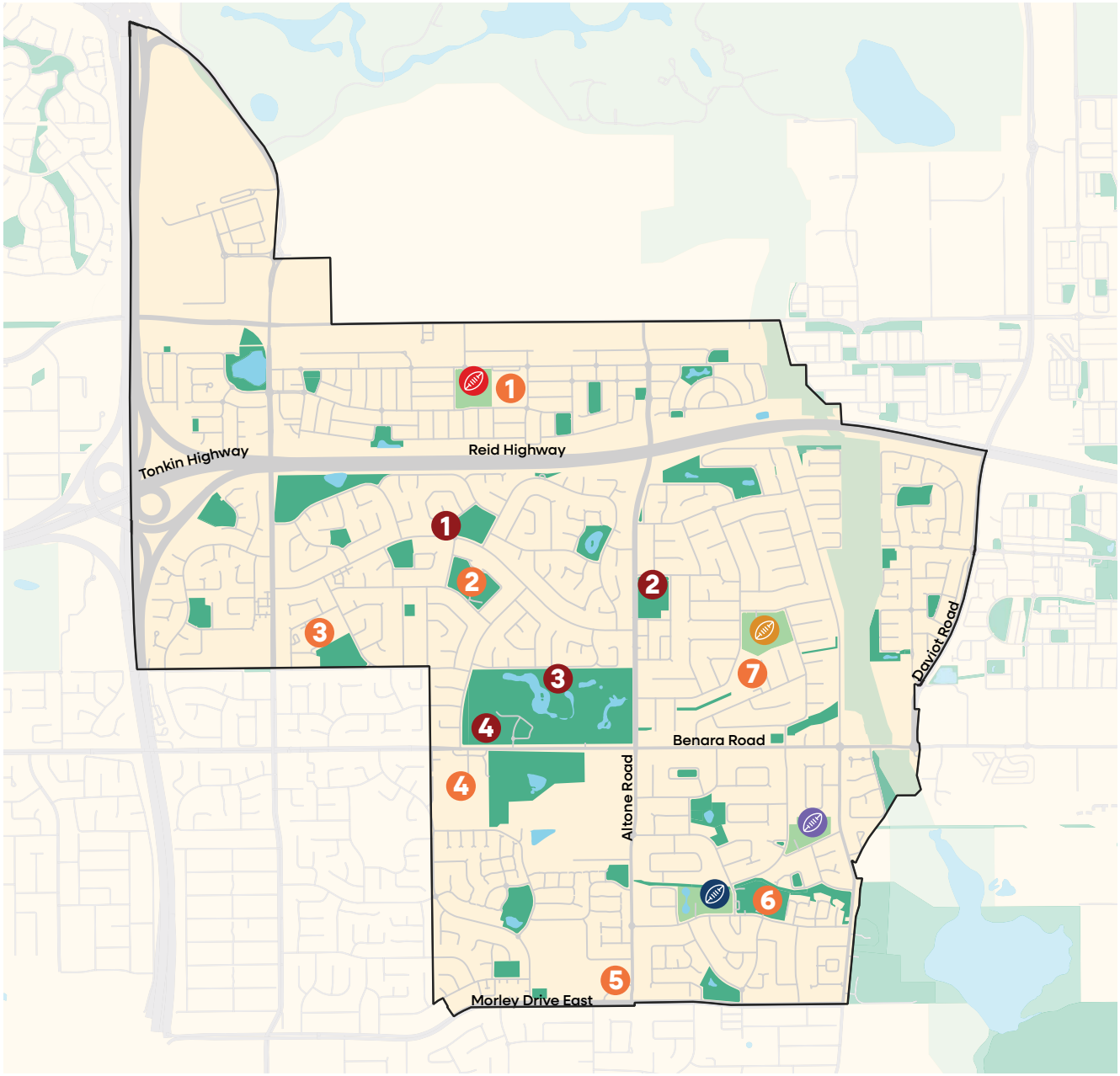


Figure 6: Schools, Ovals, and Community Facilities

Active Parks and Ovals

- Maguire Oval
- Grimrey Oval
- Bennett Springs Sportsfield Oval
- Rosher Oval

Community centres

1. Meerilinga
2. Brockman Community Centre and Western Swan Home Support
3. Beechboro Community Hub
4. Altone Youth Centre

Schools

1. Beechboro Christian School
2. Beechboro Primary School
3. West Beechboro Primary Schoo
4. Kiara College
5. Good Shepherd Catholic School
6. Lockridge Primary School
7. East Beechboro Primary School



Ballajura Station.

Economic snapshot

Altone's workforce is strongly represented in health care, retail trade and construction. Around 13.3 per cent of residents work in health care and social assistance, reflecting significant involvement in aged care, disability support and medical services. Retail trade (10.2%) points to strong demand for everyday goods and services, while construction (9.1%) highlights the presence of a skilled and hands-on workforce.

This employment structure is closely tied to Altone's demographic profile. A culturally diverse population with many family households drives demand for retail, childcare, education and entry-level roles. At the same time, a growing older population sustains the need for health and aged care services.

Altone contains several neighbourhood retail and commercial centres. Key locations include Altone Park Shopping Centre on Benara Road in Beechboro, which offers Woolworths, Aldi, specialty stores, medical services and dining options. Beechboro Central on Beechboro Road North provides additional shopping opportunities, including a Coles supermarket, takeaway outlets and essential services. In addition, smaller local centres such as Beechboro Business Centre and Timberlane Crescent serve as a walkable catchment, providing daily convenience and 'top-up' shopping. Together, these centres, along with community-based services and proximity to larger employment hubs such as Malaga and Midland, create a diverse and accessible economic network that generates employment and enhances residents quality of life.

The recently opened Morley–Ellenbrook Line, with nearby Noranda and Ballajura stations, has significantly improved economic access for Altone residents by reducing travel times to the Perth CBD and other employment hubs. A future station at Bennett Springs East is also planned, further enhancing connectivity and unlocking new development opportunities in the area.

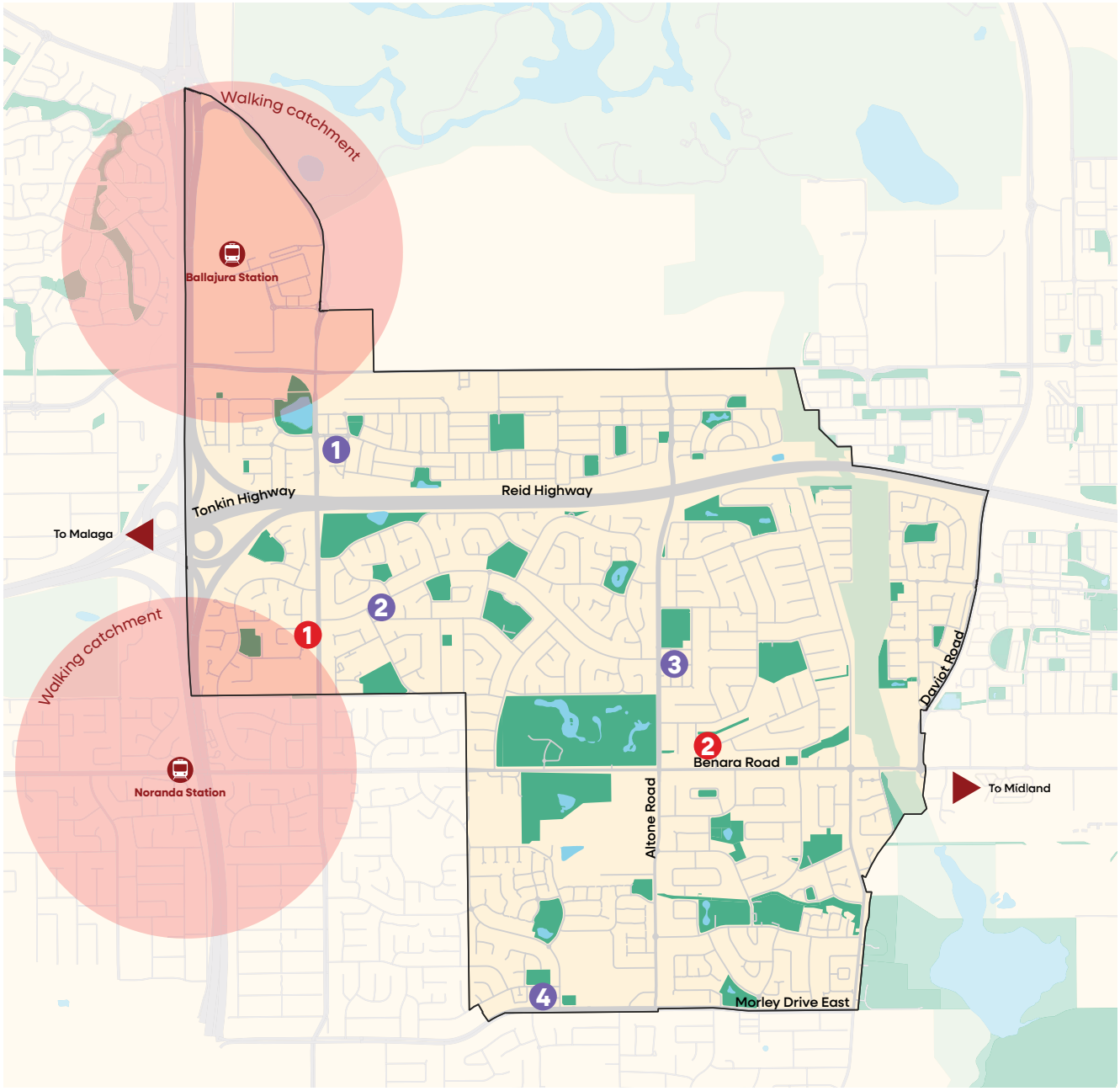


Figure 7: Local and Neighbourhood Activity Centres

Local activity centres

1. Timberlane Crescent
2. Beechboro Business Centre

Shopping centres

1. The Springs Shopping Centre
2. Beechboro Shopping Centre
3. Altone Park Shopping Centre
4. Kiara Shopping Centre



Action. Process. Strategy.

Pegasus Park, Iluma Private Estate.

Local area plans are part of a broader planning framework, guided by regional strategic and statutory instruments from the Western Australian Planning Commission and local instruments developed by the City. Each plan aligns with the City's planning framework, including relevant policies, strategies, and structure plans.

Regional Planning

North-East Sub-regional Planning Framework:

Determines the State Government's vision for the north-east sub-region and guides short, medium, and long-term planning of land use and infrastructure to support growth in the Perth and Peel region. Altone is identified as part of the urban core, where future development is expected to focus on infill development, greater housing diversity, and improved access to services and infrastructure.

Metropolitan Region Scheme:

Establishes land use zoning for the Perth metropolitan region. Local planning schemes are required to be consistent with this framework.

Planning Codes and State Planning Policies

Residential Design Codes:

This document provides a consistent framework for regulating residential development across Western Australia, significantly shaping the design and character of urban areas.

Urban Growth and Settlement:

Provides a framework for sustainable urban development across Western Australia. In Altone, the policy supports the consolidation of existing residential areas through infill development and medium-density housing, making efficient use of existing infrastructure and services. It encourages coordinated planning to manage population growth, improve access to transport, and maintain liveable neighbourhoods.



Cricket pitch at Pegasus Park, Iluma Private Estate.

Bushland Policy for the Perth Metropolitan Region:

Bennett Brook is a significant natural bushland corridor and designated Bush Forever site that traverses multiple local areas within the City of Swan, including the Altone local area. This policy ensures that local planning decisions consider the conservation value of natural areas, particularly when considering development proposals, rezoning, and infrastructure upgrades.

Road and Rail Noise:

Provides a framework for managing and mitigating road and rail noise impacts, which is especially relevant to the Altone local area given its proximity to major roads and the METRONET rail corridor. The policy guides planning decisions to protect residential and community amenity alongside infrastructure development.

City Planning Framework

Strategic Community Plan:

Sets out the City's vision for the next ten years and governs all initiatives undertaken by the City. LAPs align with the objectives of the Strategic Community Plan (SCP) and consider the key themes at the local level.

Local Planning Scheme:

Outlines land use zones, specifies the permitted uses within each zone, and sets the requirements for land development.

Urban Housing Strategy:

Includes infill and greenfields strategies to accommodate a potential doubling of the City's population by 2031, with an anticipated 35,510 additional dwellings. In Altone, growth is mainly driven by potential infill development and increased density within established urban areas such as Beechboro, Kiara, and Lockridge.

Local Planning Strategy:

Establishes a comprehensive development framework for the entire City of Swan, acknowledging Altone's established residential neighbourhoods while identifying opportunities for sensitive infill and housing diversification. It prioritises the integration of medium-density housing in suitable locations and promotes the enhancement of public transport accessibility, community facilities, and open spaces to support a growing population.

Future.

1 Beechboro Play Space:

The development of the Beechboro All Abilities Play Space will provide an inclusive and accessible playground designed to cater to children of all ages and abilities. This innovative play space will promote social interaction, physical activity, and inclusive play, ensuring that children with disabilities have equal opportunities to engage with their peers in a safe and welcoming environment.

2 Altone Skate and Recreation Zone:

The proposed Altone Skate and Recreation Zone aims to create a vibrant outdoor space for youth and families, featuring skate facilities and recreational amenities. This project will promote active lifestyles, provide a dedicated area for community gatherings, and encourage healthy social connections among local residents. The City has conducted a series of consultations to identify community preferences and has now commenced work on a detailed design.

3 Bennett Springs East Train Station:

The future Bennett Springs East Train Station will significantly improve public transport accessibility for residents in the Altone area. This future station is expected to enhance connectivity to Perth's wider rail network, reduce travel times, and support sustainable transport choices. It will play a key role in accommodating future population growth and easing road congestion.

4 45 Kerwin Way, Lockridge:

This 6,692 sqm site at 45 Kerwin Way, Lockridge, has been rezoned to Special Use Zone 29 under the City of Swan Local Planning Scheme 17 to support the development of an independent living complex and/or residential aged care facility. This rezoning reflects the State Government's commitment to delivering age-appropriate housing through targeted infill development. The project aims to provide safe, comfortable, and accessible living options that help older residents remain connected to the community.

5 Reid Highway Interchange:

The Reid Highway interchange upgrade is a significant transport infrastructure project aimed at improving traffic flow, safety, and connectivity along this critical corridor. The upgrade will improve access and reduce congestion at the Altone Road intersection and Drumpellier Drive/ Daviot Road intersection, supporting the growing traffic demands of the Altone area and surrounding suburbs. This project aligns with broader efforts to improve road networks and facilitate smoother travel for residents, commuters, and freight in Perth's north-eastern corridor.

6 Marshall Road Duplication:

The Marshall Road duplication project aims to widen this key arterial road to better accommodate increasing traffic volumes. Following the Council's adoption of the concept design in August 2021, construction is scheduled to begin in 2026/27, starting at the intersection of Marshall Road and Beechboro Road and progressing eastward over multiple stages. As part of the upgrade, a roundabout will be installed at the intersection of Altone Road and Marshall Road to improve traffic flow and safety. This project will reduce congestion, enhance travel reliability, and support the growth of surrounding communities by strengthening local transport infrastructure.

7 Ballajura Station Precinct:

The Ballajura Station precinct has been identified for transit-oriented development under a State Government Improvement Scheme. The precinct is expected to support increased residential densities and a mix of land uses within the station catchment area. This will improve access to public transport, support future housing demand and encourage more sustainable transport choices.

8 Regional Open Space – Whiteman Park South:

The City of Swan is in the early planning stages with State Government on a proposed new Regional open space (ROS) within the southern area of Whiteman Park along Marshall Road. The proposed ROS is intended to provide a central hub for active sporting opportunities to help meet growing demand for open space and reduce pressure on existing local sporting facilities. The project is also expected to support broader recreational and leisure activities for the community. Planned facilities may include turf or synthetic ovals, hard courts, pavilions, lighting, parking areas, access roads, fencing, and landscaping.

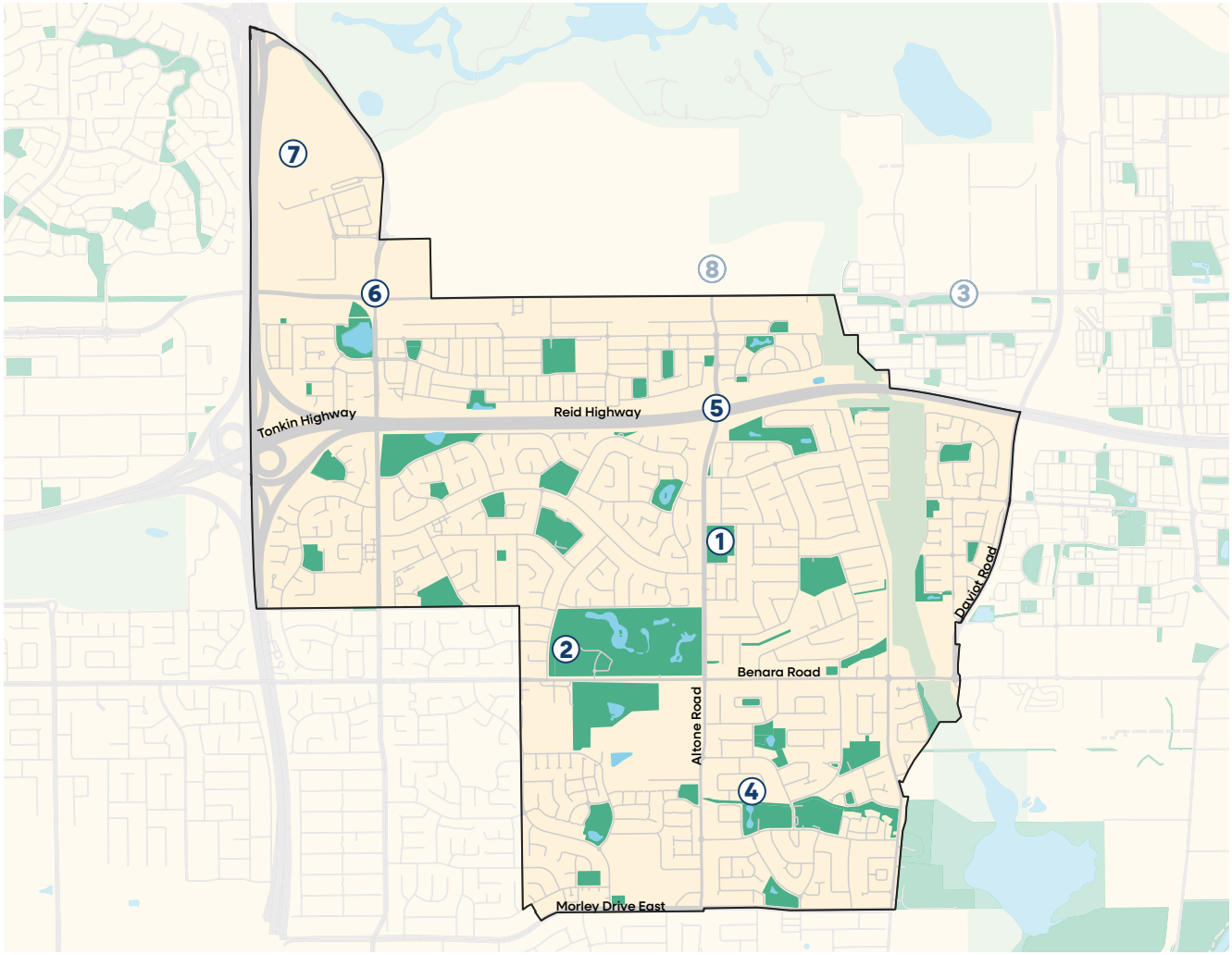


Figure 8: Future Developments in the Altone Area

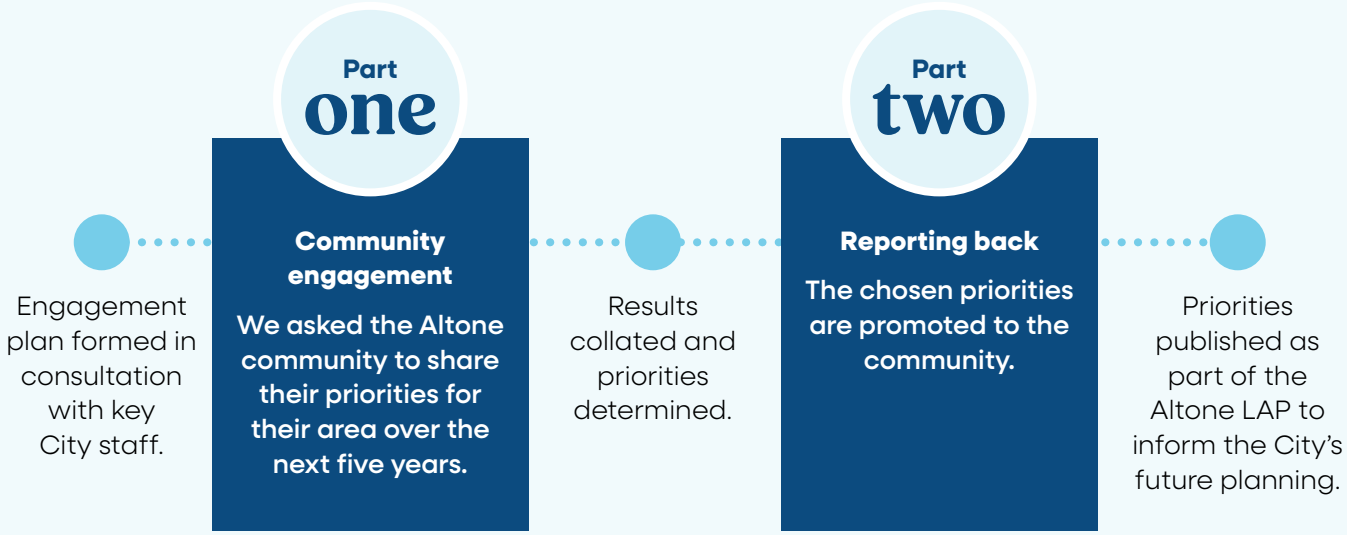
1. Beechboro Play Space
2. Altone Skate and Recreation Zone
3. Bennett Springs East Train Station
4. 45 Kerwin Way, Lockridge
5. Reid Highway Interchange
6. Marshall Road Duplication
7. Ballajura Station Precinct
8. Regional Open Space – Whiteman Park South

Community engagement

The Altone community formed the priorities for this Local Area Plan through an engagement approach, both online and in-person. Community engagement ran from March 21 to April 24, 2026.

The engagement involved our online platform on Swan Engage, and in-person pop-ups and drop-ins at local community events, places and groups. Eight pop-ups were held at Altone Comes Alive, two at Swan Active, Altone Park Shopping Centre, three at Beechboro Library, and Springs Shopping Centre. Nine drop-in sessions were held with Altone Youth Futures, Good Shepherd Catholic School, Lockridge Primary School, two at Brockman Community House, Gynning Yorgas, Lockridge Progress Association, Meerilinga and Shree Swaminarayan Temple.

Engagement process



Community priorities

Priority One

Undertake maintenance and renewal of local parks and playgrounds to address community needs

- Renew playgrounds in line with the City of Swan's Play Space Strategy
- Maintain local parks to ensure they remain safe, clean, and accessible.

Priority Two

Support healthy verges and street trees

- Plant and maintain street trees to improve canopy cover and streetscape quality in Altone
- Promote the Free Trees and Plants giveaway and the Branching Out program.

Priority Three

Advocate for community safety and support existing local programs

- Support community safety and wellbeing by promoting and connecting people to external programs, resources, and service providers
- Promote local youth and outreach programs.

Priority Four

Protect and retain bushland and natural areas to preserve biodiversity and local native wildlife.

- Align bushland and natural area management with the City of Swan's environmental and biodiversity strategies
- Support Friends Groups and volunteers to restore local bushland through planting natives, weed removal and habitat restoration.

Priority Five

Support youth programs and inclusive spaces that provide safe and accessible opportunities for young people.

- Utilise existing youth spaces such as Altone Youth Futures and libraries to provide accessible opportunities for young people
- Support education focused programs and initiatives that assist young people's learning and development.

Consultation outcomes

How we got here – community consultation results

The engagement period identified what was most important to the Altone community through a priority voting activity and analysis of open feedback provided both online and in-person.

1,213

Total contributions

over the whole engagement period

1,133
individual participants

1,219
residents and stakeholders contacted by direct email

870
in-person voting responses

735
social media engagements

22
in-person comments

1,225
Swan Engage website visitors

8
community pop-ups

237
online voting responses

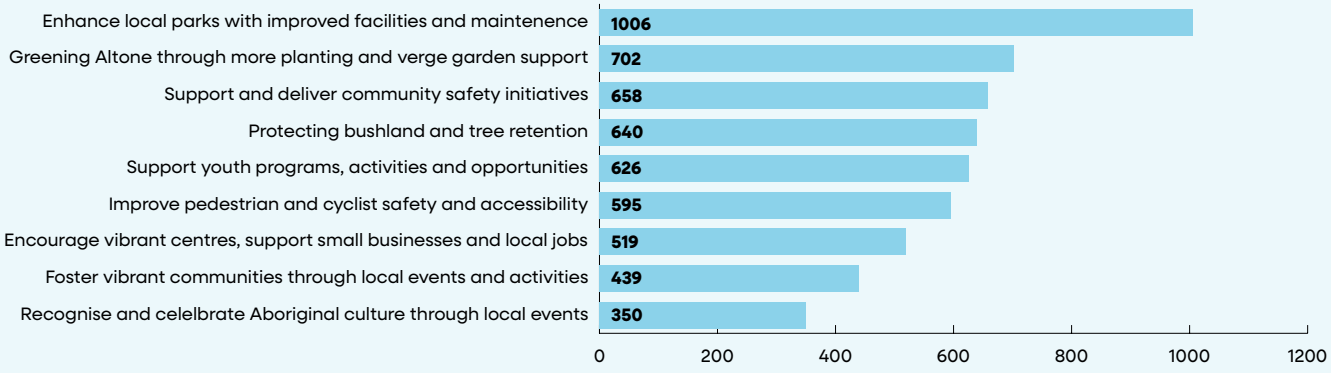
9
stakeholder group drop-ins

84
online comments

Priority voting

Participants were invited to vote for their top priorities by placing five tokens (votes) across nine different options. They could choose to spread their votes out or give multiple votes to the issues that mattered most to them. Over the five-week engagement period, the City received 1,107 voting responses, 870 from in-person activities and 237 submitted online.

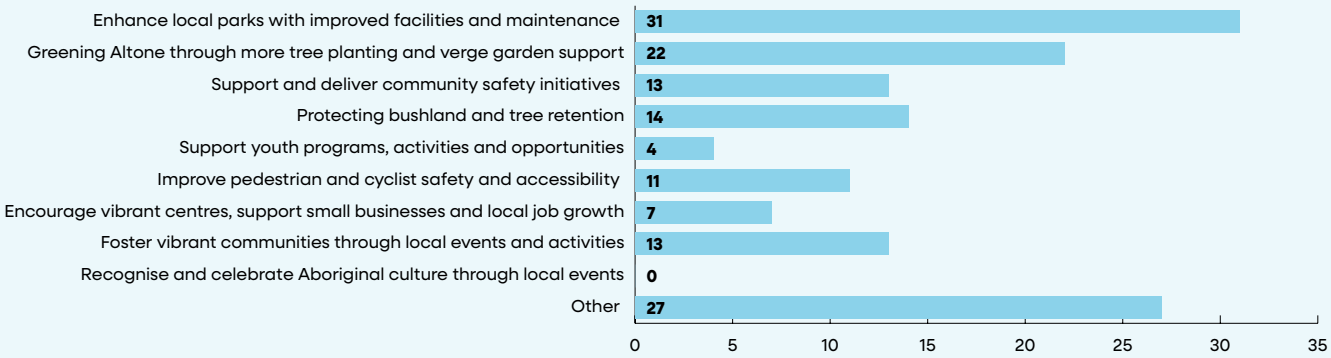
Priority voting results



Comment results

Community members were invited to share their thoughts online or in person by leaving comments specific to their priority. Over the five-week engagement period, the City received 106 submissions. Each comment was sorted into one or more of the nine key themes from the voting activity. 'Other' was created for comments that didn't fit within the original nine themes. Please note – percentages exceed 100 per cent as individual comments could be coded to multiple themes.

Comment results



Enhance local parks with improved facilities and maintenance

29.2%

- Upgrades to outdated playgrounds and facilities
- Park maintenance, cleanliness and upkeep

Greening Altone through more tree planting and verge garden support

22%

- Maintenance and safety of street trees and verges
- Support for verge planting and maintenance services

Support and deliver community safety initiatives

12.2%

- Address crime and anti-social behaviour
- Improved safety through patrols, lighting and clean public spaces

Protecting bushland and tree retention

29.2%

- Protection of bushland, natural area and native habitats

Support youth programs, activities and opportunities

16.5%

- Affordable and accessible youth programs and activities
- Safe and inclusive spaces for young people to play and be active

Remaining theme priorities

54.5%

- Improve pedestrian and cyclist safety and accessibility
- Encourage vibrant centres, support small businesses and local job growth
- Foster vibrant communities through local events and activities
- Recognise and celebrate Aboriginal culture through local events

Community updates

We are listening to our community and providing services in line with these priorities. Updates will be provided to the community on the City's website and promoted through our social media channels.

Stay updated

For more updates about Altone, visit the Altone LAP page on the Swan Engage website.

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