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## MEETING MINUTES

**PROJECT:** RSPCA – Pialligo Facility  
**MA No:** 20015-058  
**DATE:** 12:30 am – 2:30pm, Tuesday, 19th December 2023  
**LOCATION:** 6 Pirie St, Fyshwick ACT 2609  
**SUBJECT:** RSPCA Landscape Workshop

### ATTENDING:

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| Personal information |    | RSPCA ACT CEO             | RSPCA            |
| Personal information |    | Exec manager              | RSPCA            |
| Maxwell Yarra        | MY | Project Manager           | TCCS             |
| Gonca Tuzcu -Turman  | GT | Principal Project Manager | MPC              |
| Personal information |    | Landscape Architect       | Place Laboratory |
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| Personal information |    | Partner in Charge         | GMB              |
| Personal information |    | Graduate Architect        | GMB              |



| Notes |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                  |
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| Item  | Discussion                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Action                                                                                                           |
| 2.0   | Landscape Overview (Place Laboratory)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                  |
|       | <p><b>Overall:</b><br/>The Concept landscape briefing by <b>Persona</b> based on the landscape drawings included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Concept landscape design is zoned from public to private zones with degrees of access depending on the operation.</li> <li>• Pet memorial proposed: stone elements within variety of length &amp; height line on LHS &amp; seating with informal play on RHS of the entrance door.</li> <li>• Potential for sculptural animals to the east of entrance that can also function as the purpose of playing area for kids.</li> <li>• Entry air-lock location to be updated to match GMB design.</li> <li>• Briefing the Road Buffer to south of site, contains the existing habitat Lizard, to south left side with fence &amp; no access, considering two areas with sculptural tile for lizard lounge purpose, as a feature section, linking track for lizard access – to be revised subject to environmental restrictions.</li> <li>• Consider the walking trail along the right side of the site, extending to the north landscape area, for dog walking.</li> <li>• Dog agility areas in north landscape zone.</li> <li>• Rain garden to the side of each 4-bay carpark in north parking area.</li> <li>• <b>Persona</b>: Generally satisfied by landscape design &amp; ideas</li> </ul> | <p>Noted</p> <p>Place Lab will update the drawings with the current design. (Entrance location)</p> <p>Noted</p> |
|       | <p><b>General comments and feedback from RSPCA:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Persona</b>: Create a feeling of appreciation &amp; recognition to donors, articulate a memorial space within the building (internal or external), that serve as platform for acknowledgment, where the name &amp; state of individuals can be displayed.</li> <li>• <b>Persona</b>: Prefer to have walking trail around pond like current location in Weston, some dogs like to swim.</li> <li>• <b>Persona</b>: Due to airport restrictions cannot have open surface water within RSPCA site.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <p>GMB to review and consider in design.</p> <p>Noted</p>                                                        |
|       | <p><b>General comments and feedback from GMB:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Persona</b>: Fairburn Avenue frontage is subject to environmental protection &amp; any works, including landscape, in that zone maybe restricted by the protection of the SLL (striped legless lizard) – restrictions to be determined by authorities.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <p>Noted</p>                                                                                                     |



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|            | <b>Cattery:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Persona:</b> Preferred floor material for cat runs?</li> <li>• <b>Persona:</b> Ideal material should allow good temperature regulation, not get too hot or too cold, consider ease of cleaning as well. The current material is concrete that works well.</li> <li>• <b>Persona:</b> Prefer as much landscape as possible around cat runs.</li> <li>• <b>Persona:</b> Extend size of landscape area in front of cat runs &amp; remove gap between plants &amp; cages. Remove access path &amp; add external access for the first unit. Access to the rest will be through side unit with the internal door.</li> <li>• <b>Persona:</b> Satisfied with above suggestion &amp; with option to connect the units to provide a bigger space by opening gates.</li> </ul>                                    | <p>Noted</p> <p>GMB and Place Lab will apply to design</p>                                                                                                          |
|            | <b>Kennels:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Persona:</b> No visibility between dog yards.</li> <li>• <b>Persona:</b> GMB added feature curved corners to the dog yards with different perforated patterns to provide wayfinding to the areas &amp; buildings.</li> <li>• <b>Persona:</b> Central yard, trees in corners &amp; plants between yards to block the visibility, 3 shared shade sails in the middle of yards to prepare shade for 6 yards.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <p>Noted</p>                                                                                                                                                        |
|            | <b>Small animals:</b><br><b>Livestock:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Persona:</b> Natural ground for floor, needs combined closed &amp; open fence, no visibility to public, RSPCA suggested colorbond fence.</li> <li>• <b>Persona:</b> Would like the veggie patch to feed the small animals.</li> <li>• <b>Persona:</b> Request for a separate area of Roosters.</li> <li>• <b>Persona:</b> Will add an area in north landscape for rooster cages.</li> </ul> <b>Wombat:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Persona:</b> Review floor material suggested by Therian for wombat yard, earth with horizontal mesh in 600mm depth to prevent digging.</li> <li>• <b>Persona:</b> May not be enough to stop outside wombats trying to dig in, the current flooring details is combination of concrete and horizontal mesh.</li> </ul> | <p>Place Lab will review &amp; apply to design.</p> <p>Place Lab will add an area for rooster cages.</p> <p>RSPCA will send the details of current floor to GMB</p> |
|            | <b>Design</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                     |
|            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Persona</b> &amp; MY: Requested drawing sets package &amp; landscape drawing set.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <p>GMB will send by end of week</p>                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>5.0</b> | <b>Other Items</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                     |
|            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Persona:</b> Asked about tree size at planting stage.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <p>Noted</p>                                                                                                                                                        |



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|     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Persona:</b> Due to number of trees &amp; cost we can't have mature trees at first stage. However, limited number of trees will be around 400 litre or 3m high, but the rest will be small size.</li><li>• <b>Persona:</b> TCCS will go through the management of the existing habitat (Lizard areas) in southwest &amp; northeast corner.</li><li>• <b>Persona:</b> 50m (zone of influence) setback for NTG areas is nominal standard to be negotiated &amp; managed.</li><li>• <b>Persona:</b> Note, bushfire zone to RHS of site is another offset consideration.</li><li>• <b>Persona:</b> TCCS will confirm process with EPBC decision; likely to be next March 2024.</li><li>• <b>Persona:</b> RSPCA concern about snakes in dog area.</li><li>• <b>Persona:</b> Ring road may reduce snakes access a little compared to Weston. Tree &amp; plant selections may also help discourage snakes.</li></ul> |  |
| 6.0 | Close Out                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |