

TOTALITY OF HEALTH BENEFITS FROM ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

Role of design in raising the intellectual, emotional, and cultural values of place and community

PUBLIC REALM

- Regional
- District
- Neighbourhood
- Local
- Streets

PRIVATE OPEN SPACE

- Residential
- Medical
- Commercial
- Industrial
- Rural

LANDSCAPE ELEMENTS

- Vegetation
- Open Space
- Play / Exercise Equipment
- Rest Amenities
- Interpretation
- Pathway Network
- Vertical Roof Gardens
- Materials Palette
- Maintenance

CONDITIONS

- Everyday
- Trauma Recovery
- Therapeutic

HEALTH BENEFITS

- Physical and Social
- Psychological and Emotional
- Intellectual and Cultural

KEY MESSAGE : ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN IS ESSENTIAL TO BENEFIT OUR EVERYDAY LIFE

TYPES OF BENEFITS

COMMUNITY

Across Ages

Children
Young Adults

Working Life
Family Life

Elderly
Palliative

HEALTH

Across Physiology

Developmental:
Emotive
Cognitive/ Dexterity
Sensory
Resilience
Retina

Physical:
Obesity
ADHD
Asthma/Respiratory
Diabetes

Mental:
Trauma Recovery
Emotional and Psychological
Wellbeing

SOCIETY

Across Levels and Sectors

Community Benefits:
Crime prevention
Spiritual
Community

Economic Benefits:
Workforce [less sick days]
Trade workforce
Professional workforce
Ancillary workforce
Welfare workforce

Government Benefits:
Medicare + PBS Medication
Hospital
Crime + Policing
Funding + Investment returns:
people + environment.

KEY MESSAGE : WE ARE LOSING OUR LIVABILITY BENEFITS

OPPORTUNITIES + ACTIONS

GOVERNANCE

Assist government in developing + delivering governance actions

Establish a multidisciplinary integrated Design Commission

Invest in the development and delivery of an implementation document – from a 'White Paper' to 'Blue Paper' with clear:

- o processes and steps
- o roles and responsibilities
- o timeline against action items

Targets and Initiatives that are:

- o Measurable
- o Achievable
- o Accountable
- o Sustainable

Develop State policies that support local government guidelines

Develop Local Government design and development guidelines and assessment panel

PLANNING

Environmental Design to be included at the start of the land development project life cycle: from feasibility and structure planning stages onwards

Land-banking / future proofing

Open Space Network: hierarchy of open spaces with an integral relationship to hospitals, schools, aged-care facilities, etc.

Develop PPP guidelines

Consolidate development incentives

Consistency of policies across disciplines

Consistency of environmental design considerations enforced by the Urban Design Protocol

Extend clause 56 to promote best practise WSUD beyond green-fields

Inclusion of public health in the Environment Act 1987

DESIGN

Assist government in developing a performance ratings tool to ensure design excellence

Development of a precinct based rating tool that ensures a measurable commitment to design excellence and health and wellbeing

Capacity building to ensure optimal integration of green infrastructure

Management authorities to undertake Open Space Development Plans and Management Plans.

Co-ordinate and maintain a database of the physical characteristics of manor cities and towns inc. 3D mapping and non-spatial data

Social | Built Form | Precinct Scale | Design Guidelines | Place Making | Sustainable Transport Investment

Performance Assessment Criteria

MANAGEMENT

Assist government in the development of landscape asset management guidelines

Memorandum of Understanding with other providers – PPP.

Life-cycle cost benefit analysis

Post-occupancy audit

Post-occupancy establishment

Ongoing maintenance

KEY ACTION : ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN IS TO BE ACROSS ALL DEVELOPMENT STAGES + PROCESSES