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C56**SCHEDULE 3 TO THE SIGNIFICANT LANDSCAPE OVERLAY**

Shown on the planning scheme map as **SLO3**.

KILMORE CREEK ENVIRONS**1.0**24/09/2015
C56**Statement of nature and key elements of landscape**

Kilmore Creek Environs is aesthetically and historically significant for its importance as a cultural landscape dating from the earliest occupation of Kilmore in the 1930s. The Kilmore Creek Environs is also considered to be scientifically significant given the strong likelihood for archaeological research potential and socially significant for its continuing use as a public open space area and area of community gathering.

The Kilmore Creek Environs is a natural landscape that provides a continuous linear open space and landscape presence within the Kilmore Town Centre. The land is characterised by minimal built form, continuous interior views, significant permeability, planted exotic vegetation, remnant native vegetation and varying degrees of slope.

The Kilmore Creek Environs provides for a visual landscape break when viewing Kilmore Town Centre from surrounding local high points, including, the Kilmore Outdoor Recreation Precinct, Kilmore Hospital and the surrounding development to the east.

It is understood that overlanders and pastoralists camped by the Kilmore Creek in the 1830's, and much of the exotic extant planting took place between 1907 and 1913, as part of beautification projects for the benefit of travellers who used the area as a stopover (*Mitchell Shire Heritage Study 2006*). The most notable exotic plantings include Willow, Elm, Poplar and Cypress trees.

The Kilmore Creek Environs have a strong visual connection with the built form of Kilmore, in particular, the historic commercial buildings along Sydney Street, and residences in Victoria Parade, of particular note if the view from 'The Towers' (HO98), thus illustrating the importance of Kilmore Creek in the early development of Kilmore.

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C56**Landscape character objective to be achieved**

- Enhance and protect views of the Kilmore Creek Environs from Victoria Parade and Sydney Street.
- Encourage improved visual and pedestrian connectivity between Sydney Street and the Kilmore Creek Environs.
- Ensure the ongoing protection of exotic planting and remnant native vegetation.
- Enhance and improve the landscape quality of the Kilmore Creek Environs.
- To protect the permeability of the precinct by ensuring that hard surfaces are kept to a minimum and are appropriately integrated into to the landscape setting.
- To promote and enhance the ongoing open space use and the continuous open nature of the linear corridor.

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C56**Permit requirement**

A permit is required to:

- Remove, destroy or lop any native vegetation.
- Remove, destroy or lop mature exotic vegetation.

- Construct of a fence.

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Decision guidelines

Before deciding on an application the responsible authority must consider:

The impact of the proposal on the visual and aesthetic qualities of the Kilmore Creek Environs and the long term use of the land for public purposes and community gathering.

Whether the proposal will adversely impact on the view of Kilmore Creek Environs from key local focal points, including Kilmore Outdoor Recreation Precinct, Sydney Street Commercial Properties and Victoria Parade.

Whether the siting, height and design (including materials) for any proposed buildings or works will adversely impact on the open and continuous nature of the Kilmore Creek Environs landscape.

Whether the proposal will adversely impact on the health and ongoing protection of any historic exotic planting or remnant native vegetation.