

Heffron Centre

From grassroots to elite athletes –
sport and recreation for every generation.

Randwick City Council has released the design concept for the newest addition to Maroubra's Heffron Park. The Heffron Centre will be a new community and high performance centre featuring two indoor sports halls and a gymnastics centre.

KEY FEATURES

- A multi-purpose facility with two indoor sports halls to accommodate sports such as netball, basketball, badminton, volleyball and futsal.
- A gymnastics facility
- South Sydney Rabbitohs' Community and High-Performance Centre
- Souths Care's Headquarters
- Classroom and lecture theatre
- Car parking and bus / coach pick up and drop off
- A rugby league training field to NRL requirements
- Upgrades to lighting to the adjacent south west sports fields

ABOUT THE DESIGN

Designed by award-winning architects CO-OP Studio, the design has been inspired by the landscape, culture and people of Randwick.

- Inspired by the sand dunes and coastal landscape, the design is contemporary and relaxed;
- The low-rise, flat form design creates a seamless extension to the park;
- The design uses materials that will stand the test of time;
- Sustainable features capture and filter natural light, collect rainwater and use energy from solar panels;
- The building is positioned back from the road and sensitive to surrounding residences and retail shops;
- Dune-like native landscaping and vegetation helps integrate the building into the park.



Artist impression of the Heffron Centre entry and plaza area, designed by CO-OP Studio

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For more information and to register, visit
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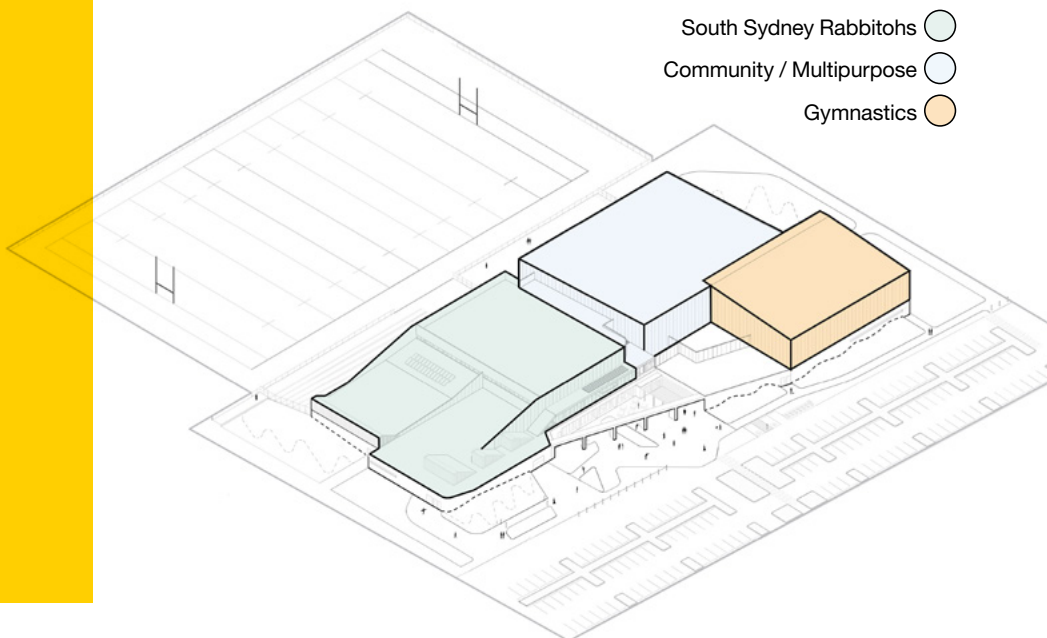
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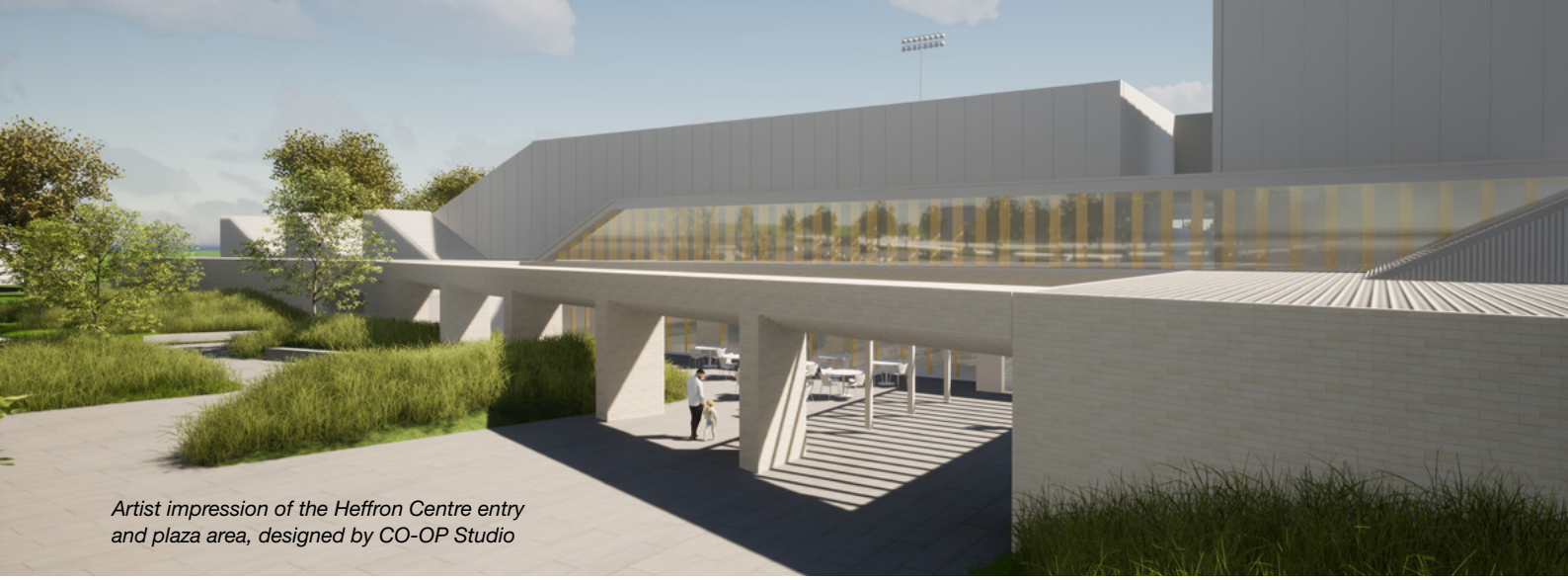
The Heffron Centre incorporates best practice environmentally sustainable design and systems to reduce the impact on Randwick City. These include:

- Architectural design to capture and filter daylight, and utilise natural ventilation;
- Rooftop solar photovoltaic (PV) panels;
- Electric vehicle charging infrastructure and bicycle parking;
- Low-maintenance native plants and materials to regulate temperatures and reduce electricity;
- Use of rainwater and stormwater collection to reduce water usage.



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HEFFRON CENTRE EXPERIENCE

Visiting the Heffron Centre will be an experience that can be enjoyed by all - it will be inclusive and accessible for all ages and abilities. The design includes:

- An open plaza featuring a café, indoor and outdoor seating areas for the community to relax and socialise;
- Two multi-purpose indoor sports halls and storage with spectator seating;
- Separate change and bathroom facilities are proposed for gymnastics and the sport halls to ensure safety for children and guests;
- Community and High Performance Centre home to the South Sydney Rabbitohs and Souths Cares headquarters, training and operational areas, lecture theatre and classroom, and merchandise shop;
- An internal “street” linking the Community and High Performance centre, multi-purpose sports facility and gymnastic zones. This connects from the front to the back creating opportunity to showcase community history, awards and memories;
- Fan and visitor areas to view the NRL showcase training field.

FUNDING THE HEFFRON CENTRE

South Sydney Rabbitohs Community & High Performance Centre

$10M	Federal Government grant
$8.696M	State Government grant
$4M	Rabbitohs contribution
$3M	Council contribution

$25.696M TOTAL

Indoor Community Sports Centre and Gymnastics Centre

$22.6M	Council contribution. *Largely funded through borrowings as part of the 2017 Our Community Our Future Plan*
$3.135M	State Government grant

$25.735M TOTAL

Showcase Field

(part of the Heffron Park Masterplan)

$6.315M Council contribution

Artist impression of the Heffron Centre with rooftop solar panels, designed by CO-OP Studio



CONSULTATION

In April 2020, we asked the community about your aspirations for the Heffron Centre - what you'd like to see included in the new design and how best to integrate it into the current park. We heard from you through our Your Say page, mailed information and a Facebook live event. We received more than 130 surveys and feedback through social media, website and Facebook live.

WHAT WE HEARD

- The design should reflect the local area, history and culture.
- The building should be multi-purpose to ensure it can be used by the community for a range of social and recreational uses;
- It should be community-focused, accessible, and family friendly;
- A café and areas for children to play and parents to congregate would be beneficial;
- We need to be sensitive to the surrounding neighbours;
- We should incorporate sustainability, native landscaping and vegetation into the design;
- The centre should not be too large or imposing on Heffron Park;
- When building, achieve value for money;
- It should cater for a range of community members and abilities;
- The centre should be affordable and easy to book online.

YOUR SAY RANDWICK

View the DA and make submissions by visiting yoursay.randwick.nsw.gov.au/theheffroncentre or sign-up for our webinar on 8 October to learn more about the project.

TIMELINE

Early 2020
Initial consultation

August 2020
Design concept

1 October 2020
Development application exhibition period commences

Mid 2021
Construction commences

Late 2022
Centre opens



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The Heffron Centre is a shared vision between Council and its partners, the South Sydney District Rugby League Football Club (Rabbitohs) and the NSW State Government.