

Environment



Proposed plans include improved habitat for wildlife.



Surveys

Extensive ecological surveys have been completed to map and list flora species and to record and observe native fauna on the current golf course site.



Fauna

The surveys have consistently recorded a number of common native wildlife species including the laughing kookaburra, Australian wood duck, rainbow lorikeet, eastern grey kangaroo, common ringtail possum and water dragon. There have also been some observations of koalas.

Current state

- isolated patches of retained remnant trees
- replanted fairway buffers and landscaping
- sporadic retained trees (native and exotic) over extensively maintained artificial grass areas
- drainage patterns supporting water features and dams designed to receive highly fertilised run-off
- partial and full barriers to wildlife movement around the area

Proposed future state

- mass areas of tree replanting for enhanced koala habitat
- the creation of wetlands to support amphibian species
- expanded existing open canopy tree habitat with native shrubs and ground covers
- revegetation to connect existing fragments of habitat
- reduction from daily mowing, fertilising and landscape maintenance resulting in high functioning habitat areas, reduced nutrient loaded run-off and more defined spaces for wildlife.
- increased flora diversity, health, function and age
- potential to encourage additional wildlife that is less adapted to the highly modified existing environment