

Dickson Shops Community Consultation

We wish to acknowledge the Ngunnawal people as the Traditional Custodians of the ACT and recognises any other people or families with connection to the lands of the ACT and region.

We acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of this city and this region.

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Executive Summary

A design that embraces and enhances the unique identity and character of Dickson shops, through a series of interventions that celebrate and promote the eclectic nature of each space and providing inbuilt flexibility for new opportunities.

The Preliminary Sketch Plan design for Dickson Shops has been developed in direct response to community feedback.

It brings together the wants, and needs of a diverse and growing community by balancing the strong desire to protect and retain the character that the community holds dear, whilst providing much needed upgrades and improvements to the public realm to support a range of new functions and uses into the future.

Dickson shops is a series of unique spaces interconnected by laneways or 'corridors'. The proposed design aims to improve the perception of safety within the precinct, provide a sense of legibility and consistency, whilst providing a diversity of experiences for the public and community members.

This design thinking is captured through the 'Dickson Neighbourhood' concept. The 'Neighbourhood' looks to embed a sense of familiarity and comfort within the design proposal, whilst repositioning Dickson Shops into a new stage of its evolution.

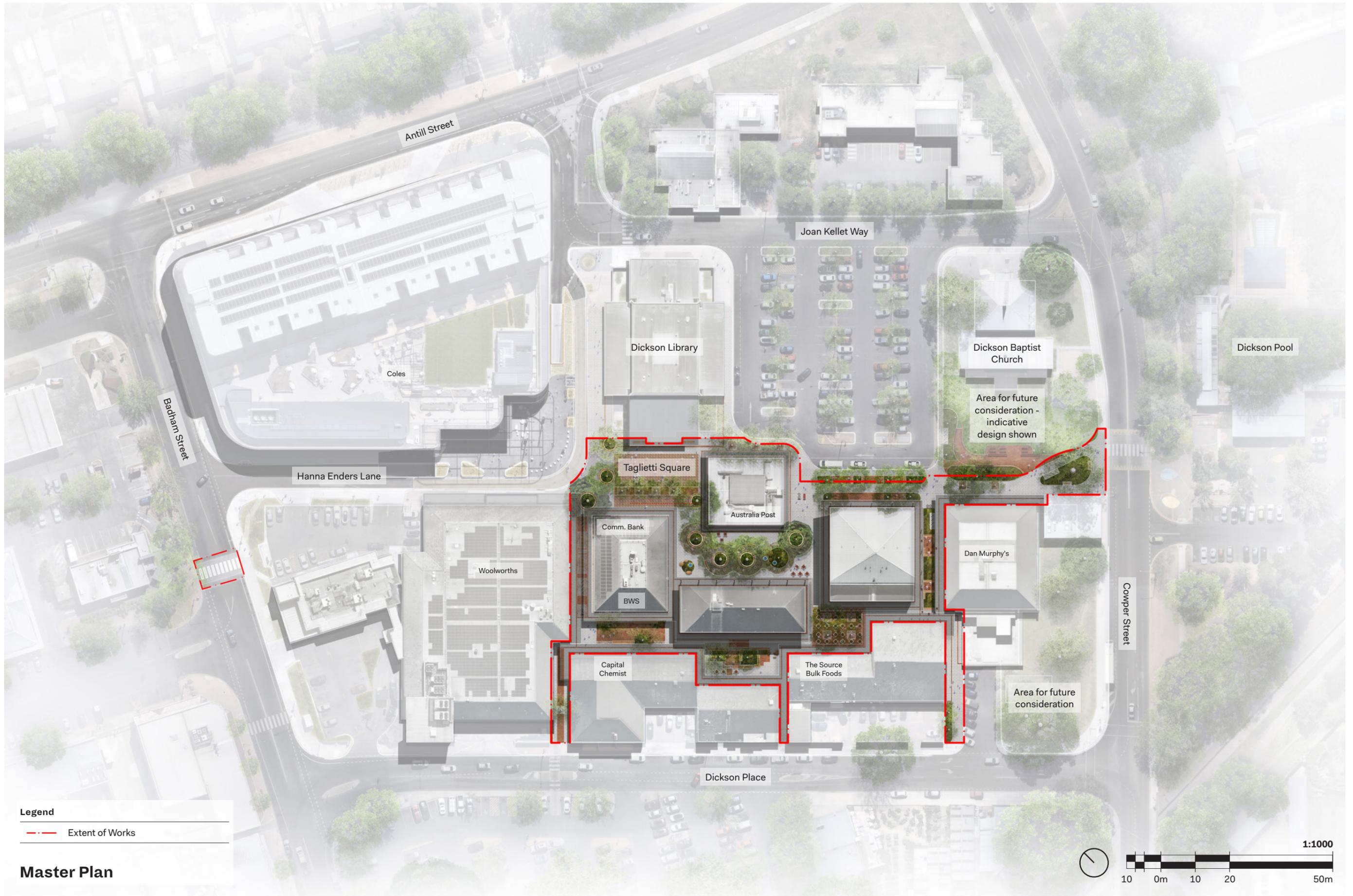
To ensure the uniqueness of Dickson is represented, specific elements such as artworks and materiality have been retained and re-purposed within the design proposition. The proposal draws on cues from the Dickson Heritage Library, designed by Enrico Taglietti, ensuring the proposed landscape design integrates seamlessly with this iconic building and its immediate context.

Movement, comfort and amenity is expressed through the rationalisation of pedestrian pathways, increased canopy coverage, and opportunities for respite and refuge throughout. The proposed design also addresses:

- + Site specific conditions, including past flooding issues, safety and accessibility.
- + Rest points along paths.
- + A space for youths within the adjacent park.
- + Opportunities for outdoor dining.
- + Opportunities for community exchange and small scale markets.
- + A square that honours the heritage significance of the Dickson Library, providing public gathering and event opportunities.
- + The need to maintain large trees in raised planter beds, and increase tree canopy coverage.
- + The need to maintain the existing number of car parking spaces, including loading zones, accessible parking, and 5 minute drop off zones.
- + Maintain the existing number of bicycle parks.



Image: Zone A



Legend

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Master Plan



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- Taglietti Square**
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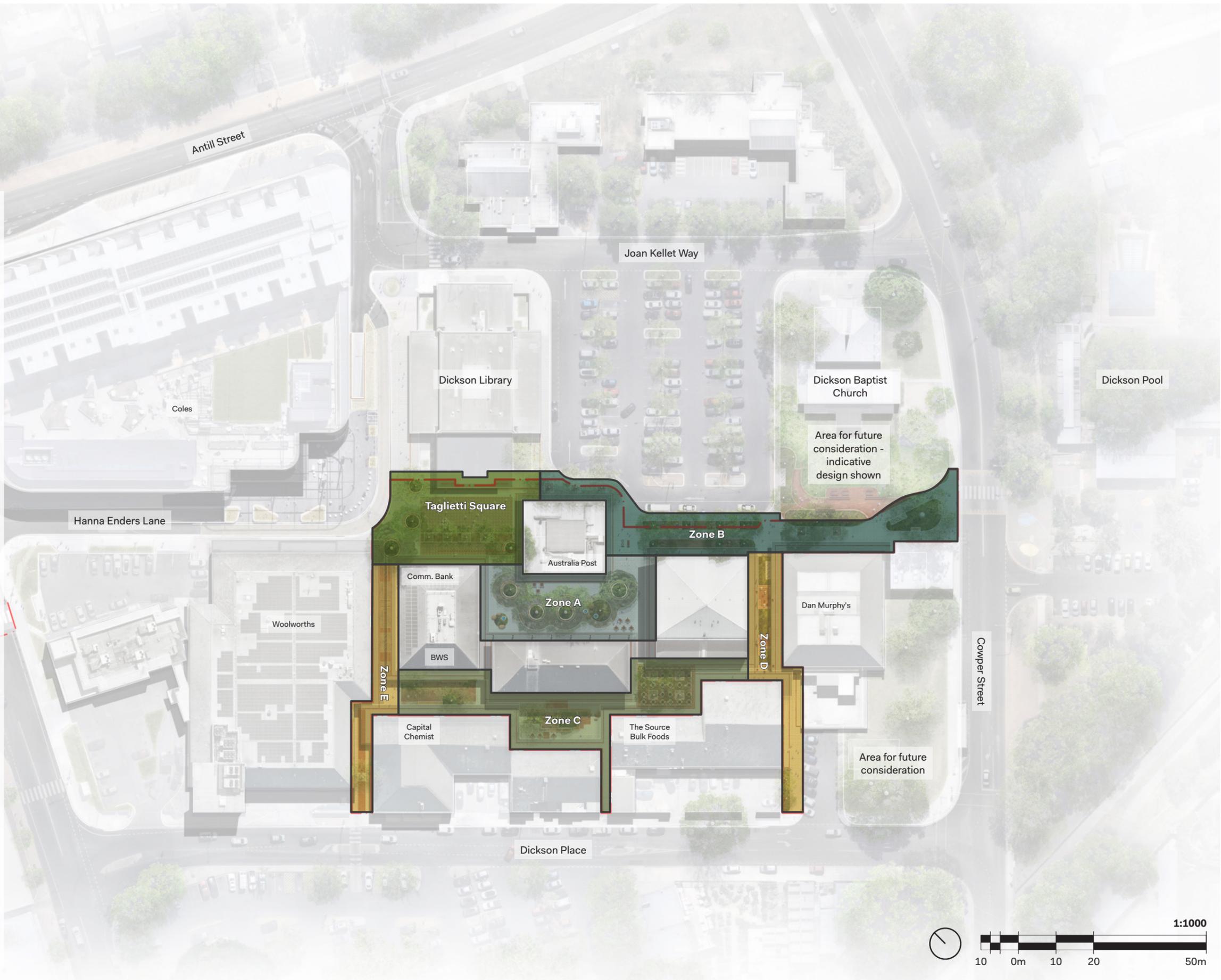
- Zone A**
The design proposes a series of spaces that encourage socialisation and conversation. This zone also includes informal play opportunities, relocated artworks and outdoor dining.

- Zone B**
A tree lined pedestrian boulevard connecting Dickson Pool and Taglietti Square, with improved circulation and increased amenity including - ample seating opportunities, bicycle parking, proposed trees and planting.

- Zone C**
A series of courtyards designed to support small gatherings, retail and outdoor dining. The activity is concentrated in the centre of the space to take advantage of winter solar access, and to ensure clear and safe pedestrian movement.

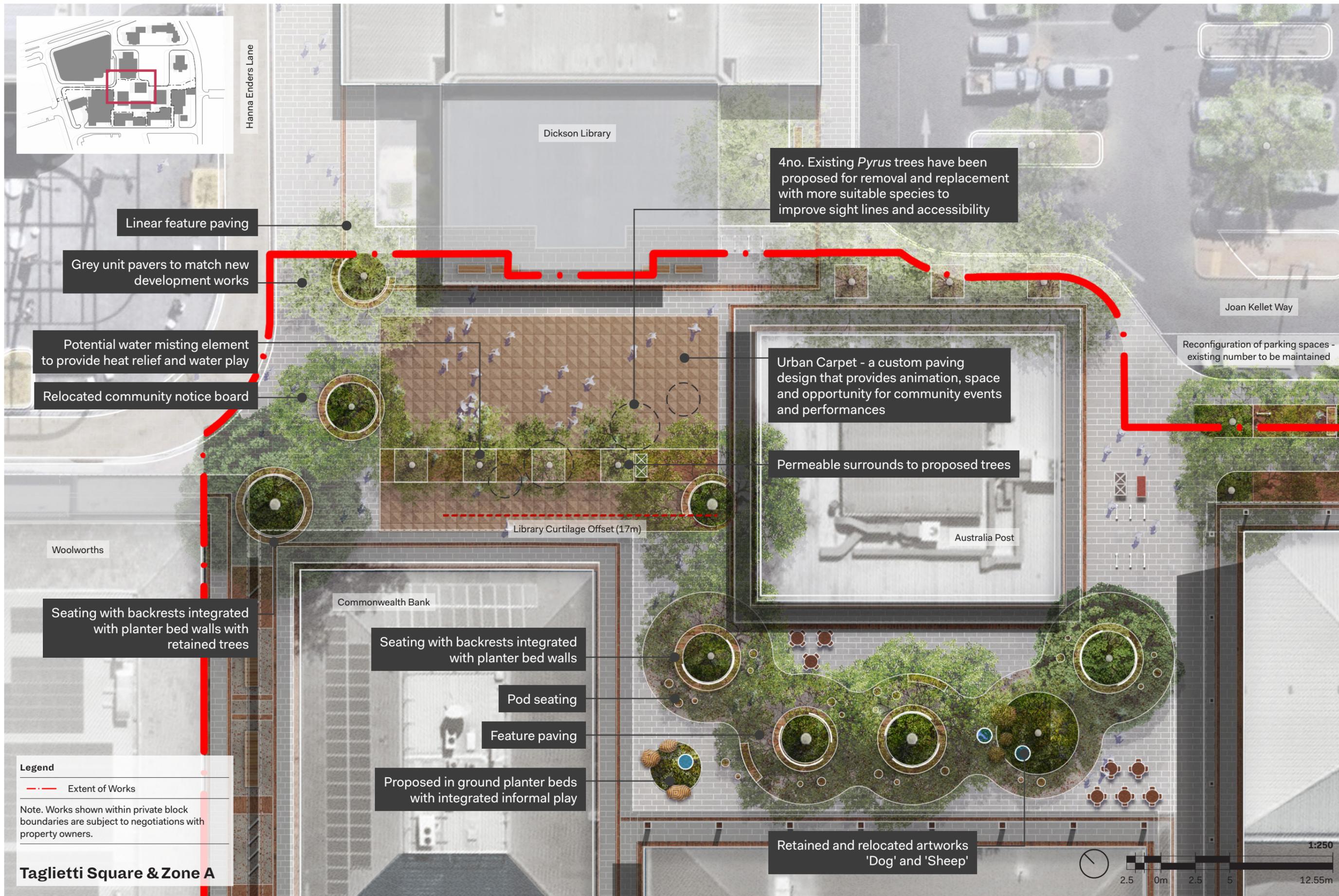
- Zone D**
A key circulation space with increased amenity to improve the pedestrian experience. Opportunities for social interactions are provided through pockets of seating, bicycle parking and planting.

- Zone E**
A pedestrian connection designed to provide amenity for pedestrians moving through the space and utilising the surrounding retail. The space includes seating opportunities and bicycle parking.



Character & Zone Plan







View Location. View south west from the Dickson Library towards Commonwealth Bank and Woolworths.



Taglietti Square

Existing conditions.



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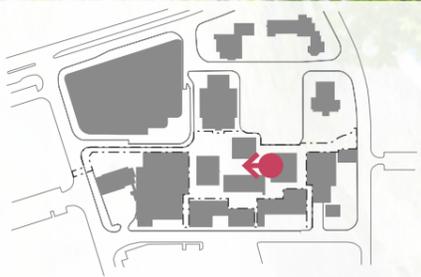
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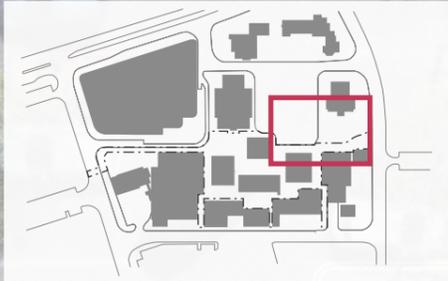


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Widened footpath for improved access and movement

Public seating opportunities

Proposed trees with understorey planting to form a green boulevard pedestrian experience

Bicycle parking

Reconfiguration of parking spaces - existing number to be maintained

Feature paving in areas of activity including rest points

Dickson Baptist Church

Area for future consideration - indicative design shown

Joan Kellest Way

Existing trees to be retained

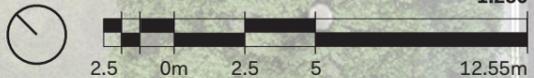
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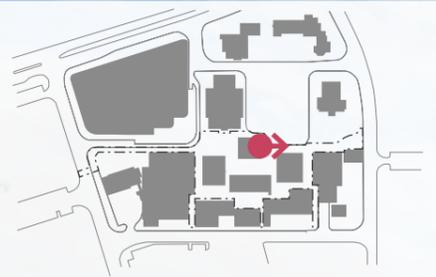
Public Toilets

Dan Murphy's

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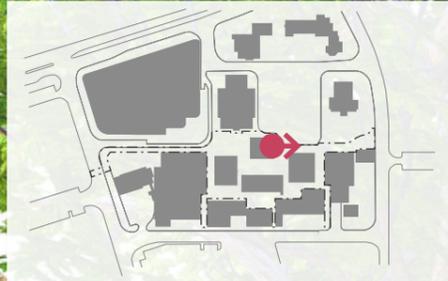




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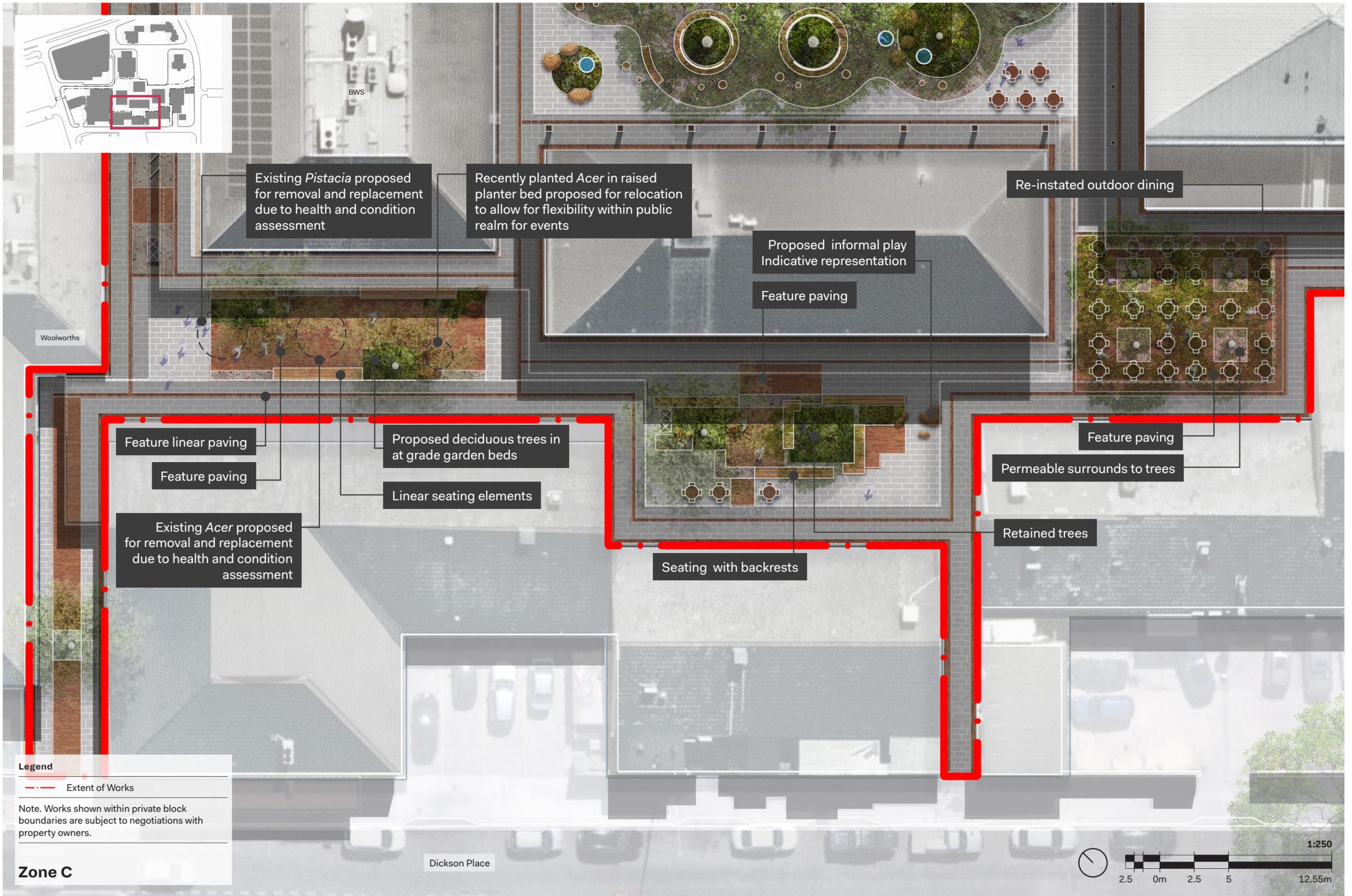


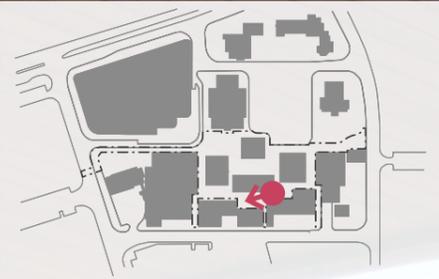
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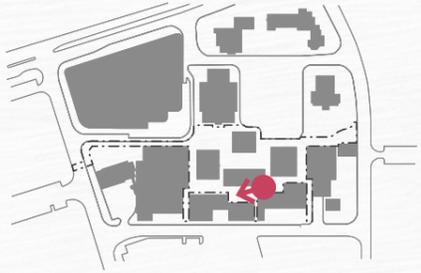




View Location. View west looking across the courtyard towards Woolworths.



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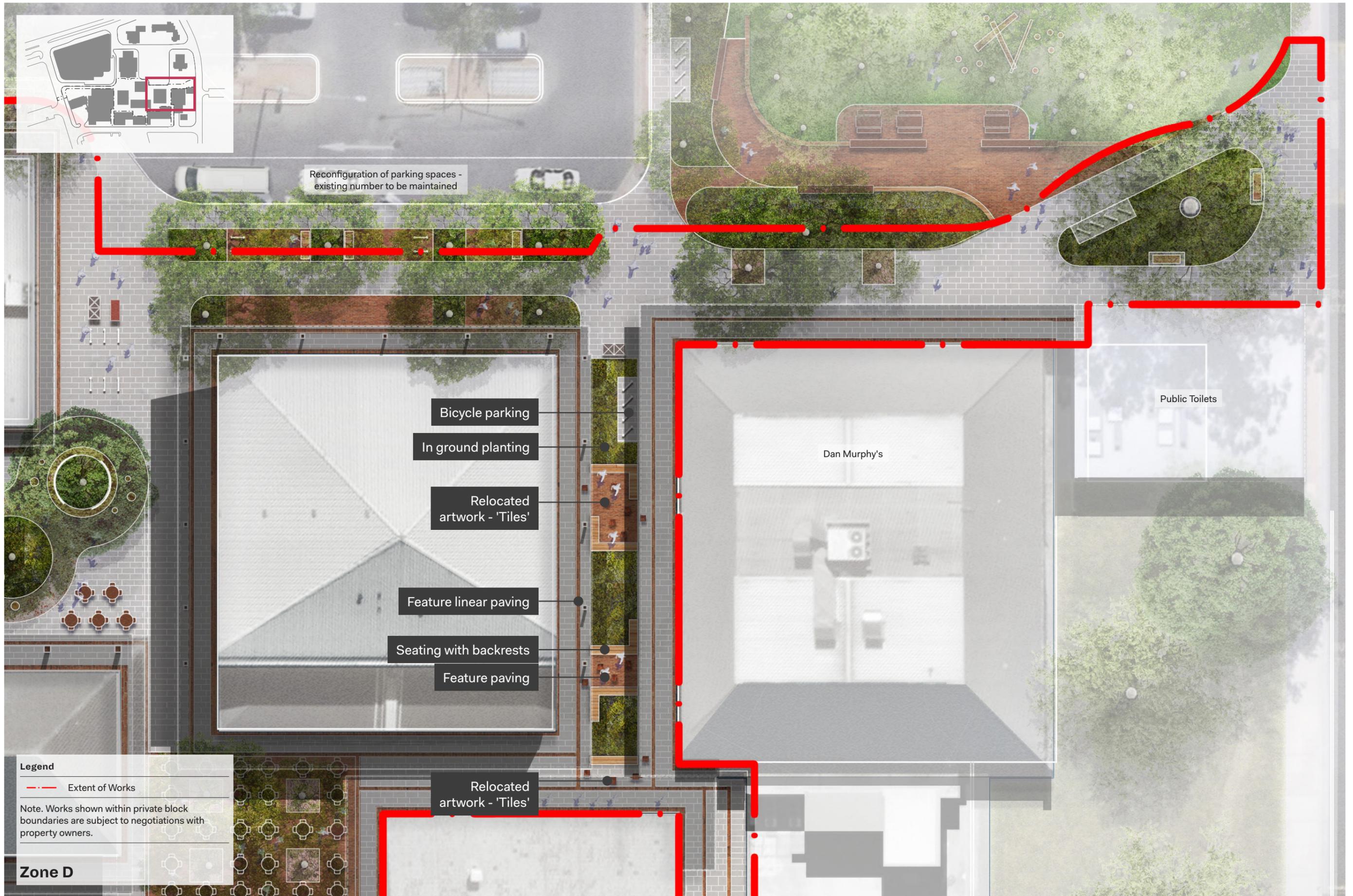


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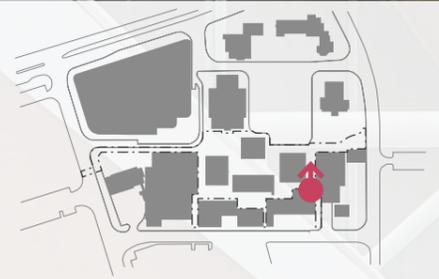
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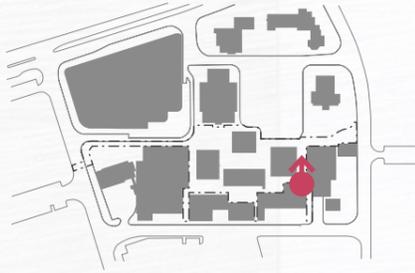
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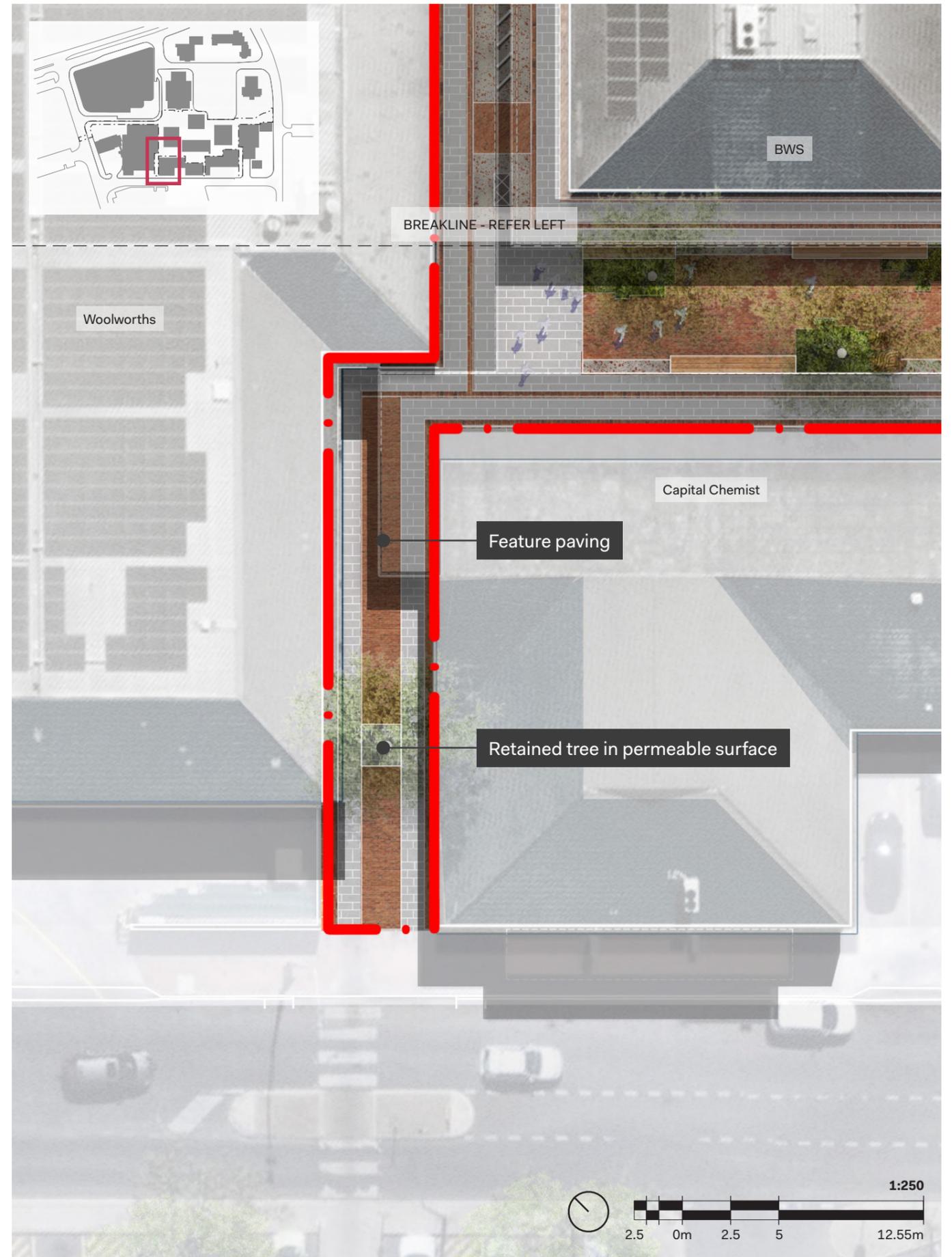
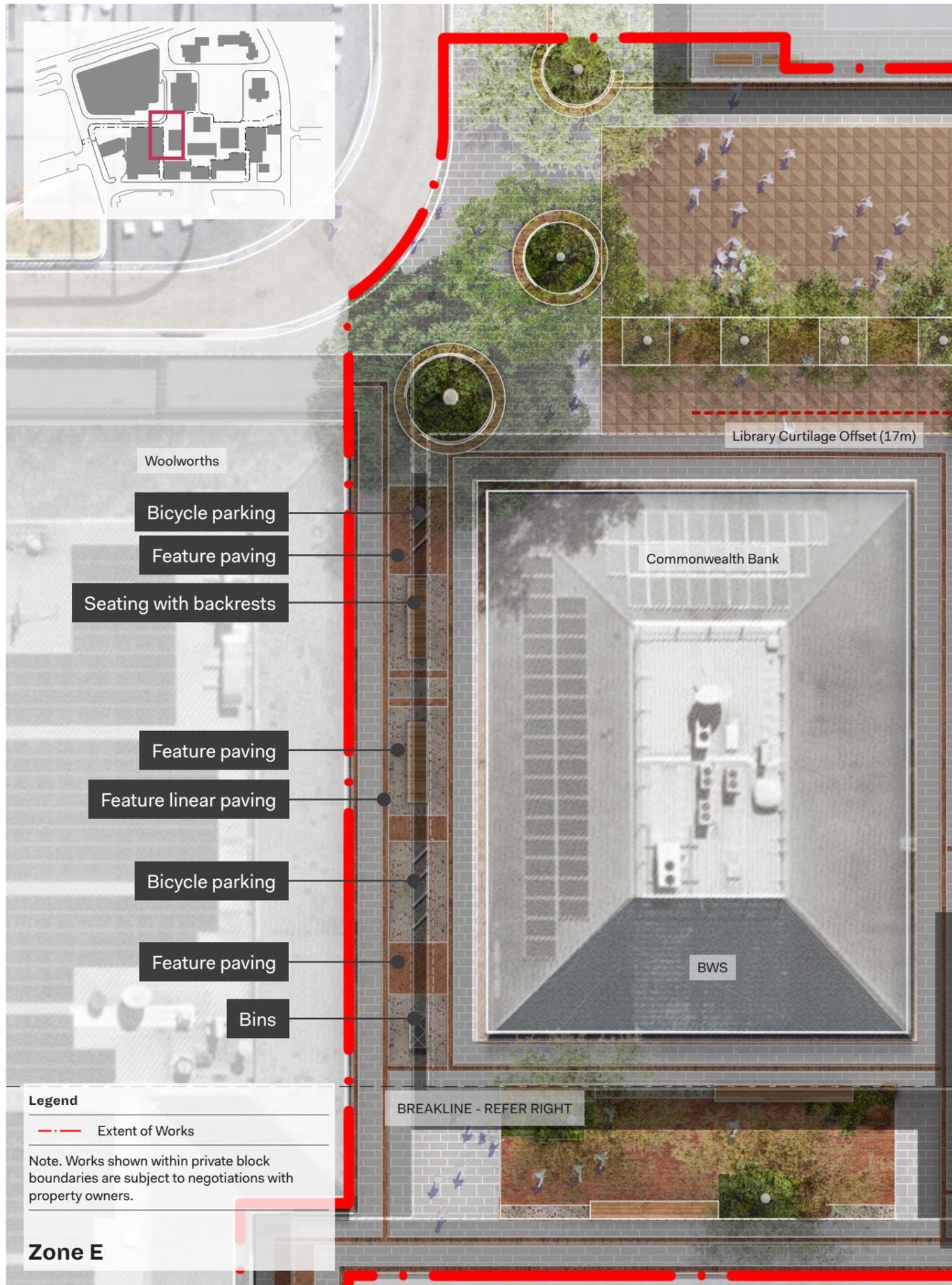
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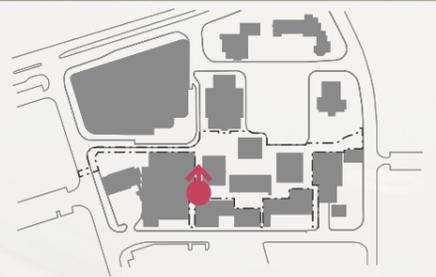


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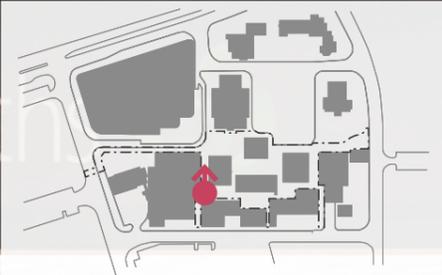




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