



## Our Approach

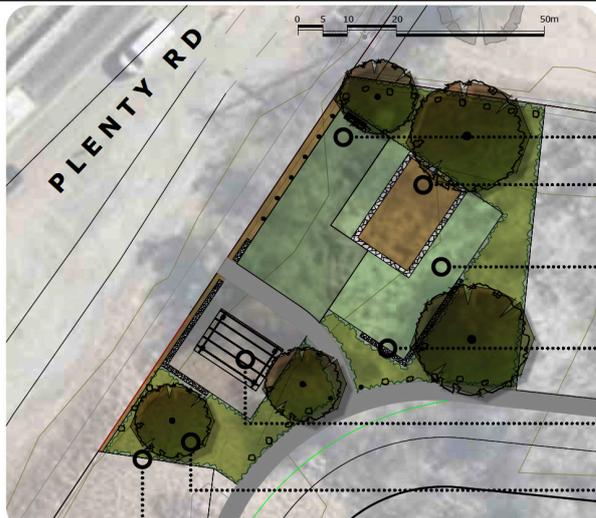
The Development Plan for this 65-lot land development site protected the location of the former home of a pioneering family within a reserve.

While the building was lost many years ago, our approach acknowledged its location in a way that allows visitors to experience its scale and layout.

# Landscape Master Plan

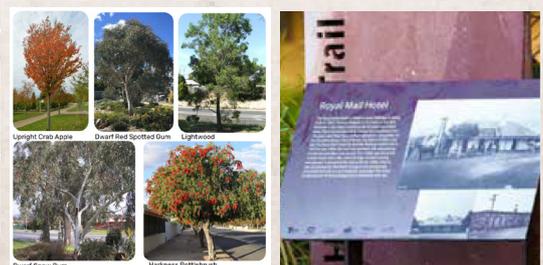
## 1480 Epping Rd, Mernda

### Landscape Concept Plan



KEY					
	Evergreen Tree		Lawn - Santa Ana Turf		Concrete Paving
	Indigenous / Native Planting		Lawn - Village Green Turf		Gravel Surfacing

- Grass Lawn**  
Sloping lawn of Kikuyu Village Green turf.
- Graff's House Original Footprint**  
Approximate outline of the original cottage extent of Graff's House indicated by edging of stone reserved from drystone wall demolition, with gravel surfacing of crushed rock (potentially crushed from balance of reserved drystone wall rock).
- Graff's House Extended Footprint**  
Approximate outline of the full Graff's House footprint (verandah and extensions) indicated by timber edge enclosing a flat grass lawn area, with a contrasting turf eg Santa Ana couch grass.
- Low Rock Sitting/Retaining Wall**  
Low sitting wall constructed of stone reserve from demolition of drystone walls retains and defines the flat lawn area. Interpretive historical signage will be set onto the wall.
- User Amenities**  
A concrete path links to surrounding streets and 6x4m Skillion shelter (eg ASCO C1000) with stone sitting wall, picnic table, BBQ, drinking fountain and motion-activated lighting.
- Informal Planting**  
Native and indigenous planting in mulched garden beds.



## Project Specs

- Client:** Kaleida / WPA
- Location:** Epping Rd, Mernda, Victoria
- Date:** 2025
- Role:** Masterplanning

The Landscape Master Plan explores the vision for this new community precinct based on the site's context within the Plenty River valley landscape and the urban conditions of the growing township of Mernda.

It suggests a landscape vision that is distinctive and authentic to its setting that will cater for the social and recreational needs of the future community, as well as enhancing the character, aesthetic and environmental values of the site.

Based on a philosophy of site-responsive design, remnant site elements and character will form the basis for all landscape interventions, thus enlivening the existing landscape rather than supplanting it.

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