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1. Introduction

This note has been prepared in relation to the request for clarification on the linear meter of Existing Railing versus Railing Reinstated at Four Masters Park (Mater Station). Clarification was also sought on the Exiting area of Central Green space (Central Grass Area) versus the proposed reinstated green space (Central Grass Area) in Four Masters Park. Figure 1.1 shows the alignment plan at Mater Station, which details the reinstatement of the railings at this location.

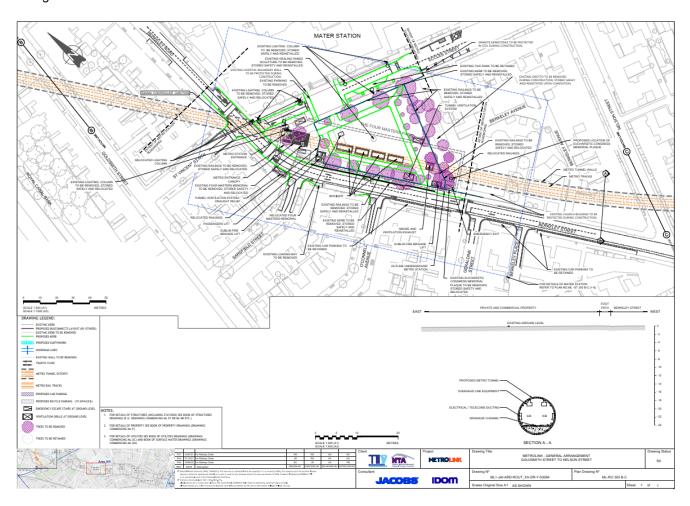


Figure 1.1: Mater Station Alignment Plan - Reinstatement of Railings and Green Space

1.1 Railing Length

At present in Four Masters Park, there is an existing Heritage railing, gates and plinth wall with associated elements. As part of MetroLink, it is proposed to remove/relocate, and subsequently reinstate, heritage items at this location.

- Existing Railing length at Four Masters Park location: 175m
- Proposed length of railing to be reinstated at the Four Masters Park: 165m



1.2 Green Space Area

A query was raised in relation to the existing area of central green space (grass area) versus what is proposed to be reinstated in the central grass area.

• Existing grass central area: 1050m²

Proposed Grass central area: 780m²

The intricacy of the reinstatement means an increase in shrub planting in areas that are currently grass. Therefore, the above numbers relate to Central grass space only. There are a number of reasons for change from Grass to Shrub planting within the design, including reasons of biodiversity, design aesthetic, screening, circulation/navigation, and SUDs (Sustainable Drainage).

Proposed shrub area within the Four Masters Park:1290m²