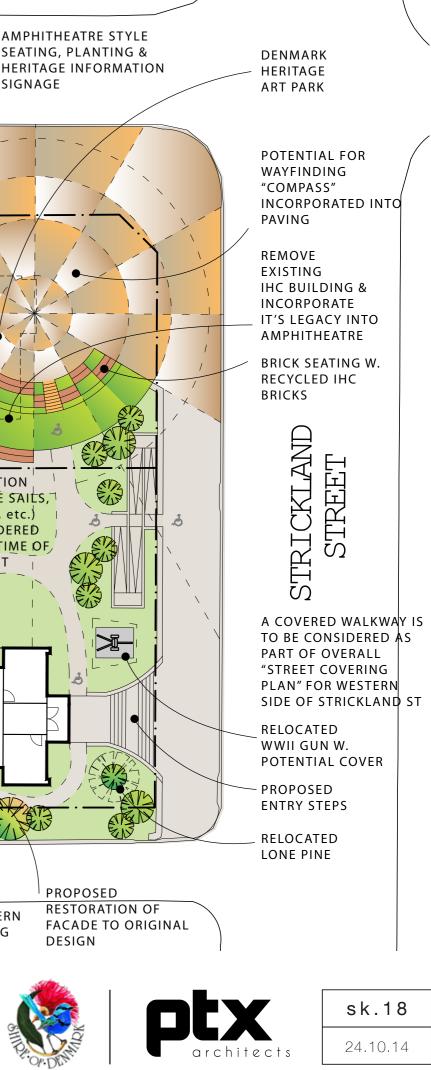


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## 3 KEY CONCEPT DESIGN ELEMENTS:

#### **DENMARK HERITAGE ART PARK:** 1.

The central location of the site - within Denmark CBD & at junction of Strickland St Heritage Precinct & Mitchell St Heritage Precinct - offers great opportunity to create a vibrant community space.

This space could highlight the many talents Denmark has to offer and additionally provide a link to the past.

The level change invites the layout of an amphitheatre that creates areas for resting, reading, lunch, meeting, street performances and much more.

Early ideas include a circular plant layout to showcase the six local Aboriginal seasons with incorporated artwork in the seating and paving. Possibly a way finding compass could be included into the paving to help orientate visitors. Both heritage precincts could have common ground here as a meeting place to start and end heritage walks.

A strong link to the Infant Health Centre would be incorporated as this proposal requires this building to be removed. The historical and local importance of the building could be reflected in many ways. Artefacts such as measuring sticks could be part of the amphitheatre as well as reusing the bricks of Denmark's first government brick building. This could be explained with interpretive signage.

Beyond the amphitheatre the Heritage Art Park would continue into more quiet and elevated green space protected by shade (could be shade sails or vegetation). This area could also incorporate heritage play equipment as well as sculptural art play equipment. The key idea is to create a low key family environment with respect to adjoining neighbours.



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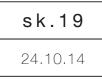
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Street View from Cnr Strickland St & Mitchell St







### Aerial View from Cnr Strickland St & Mitchell St

#### 2. **RE-INSTATEMENT OF HERITAGE BUILDINGS:**

The Denmark RSL Hall and the Denmark Cottage Craft (including Carmarthen School) form an integral part of the built and social fabric of the town.

To be easily recognised as heritage buildings the concept plan proposes to bring back these two buildings as close as possible to their original design. Later additions would be removed and the facades of both buildings restored. The necessary administration, amenities and storage facilities could be added as contemporary smaller additions that are placed in the background with sympathetic designs in relation to the original buildings.

Both buildings are proposed to open up into the new community space with a verandah (as shown in earlier photos of the Carmarthen school) and with a generous deck (RSL). In particular the deck on the northern side of the RSL hall would offer a sunny place to sit and enjoy the connection to the other facilities and the town beyond. In addition the large northern glazing would enhance the RSL hall not only thermally, but also in its usage. This would enable this building to become an even greater community asset.

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#### **CBD CAR PARKING/ ACCESS:** 3.

This Concept Plan provides for much needed CBD car parking and at the same time acknowledges the problems that come with sealed parking bays. The majority of the 19 proposed car bays are located behind the re-instated Carmarthen School building and offer 14 car bays including one disabled car bay. This part of the car parking is proposed to be made out of trafficable grass pavers. Apart from providing a natural surface these grass pavers allow storm water to disperse and provide a cooler surface in summer. Added shade trees would enhance this space further and make it feel as being part of the Heritage Art Park.

There is 1 further car bay proposed for a more formal parking near the RSL back entrance (disabled car bay). And finally some additional 4 car bays could be provided along Bent St. This arrangement is shown pending a Bent St review.

With regards to disabled access; the accessibility was a priority consideration for this concept. Two ramps were included to allow for direct access from Strickland St and from Mitchell St. The paths throughout are considered to lead from different areas with appropriate fall to allow for easy access to any part of the precinct.

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