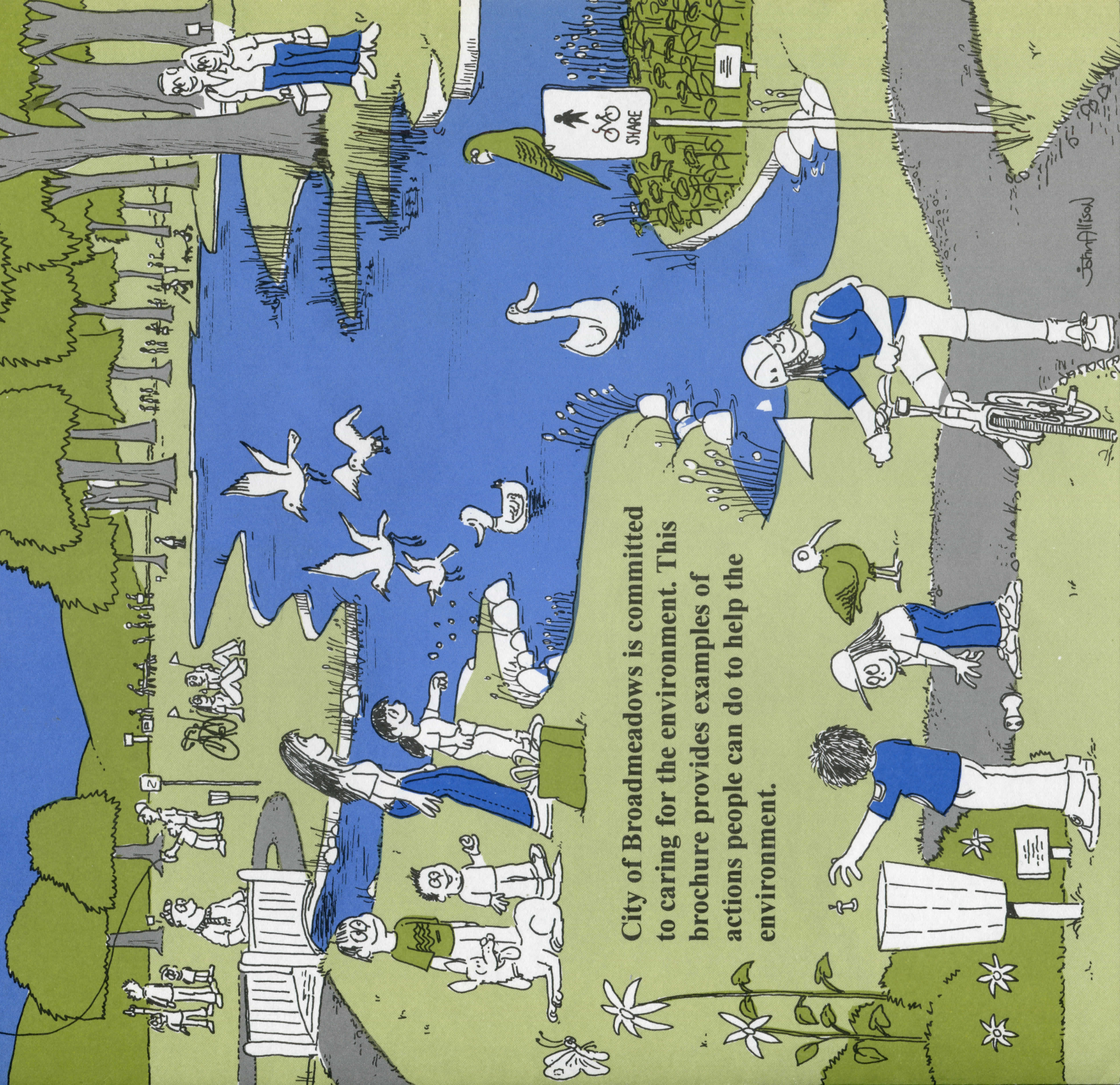


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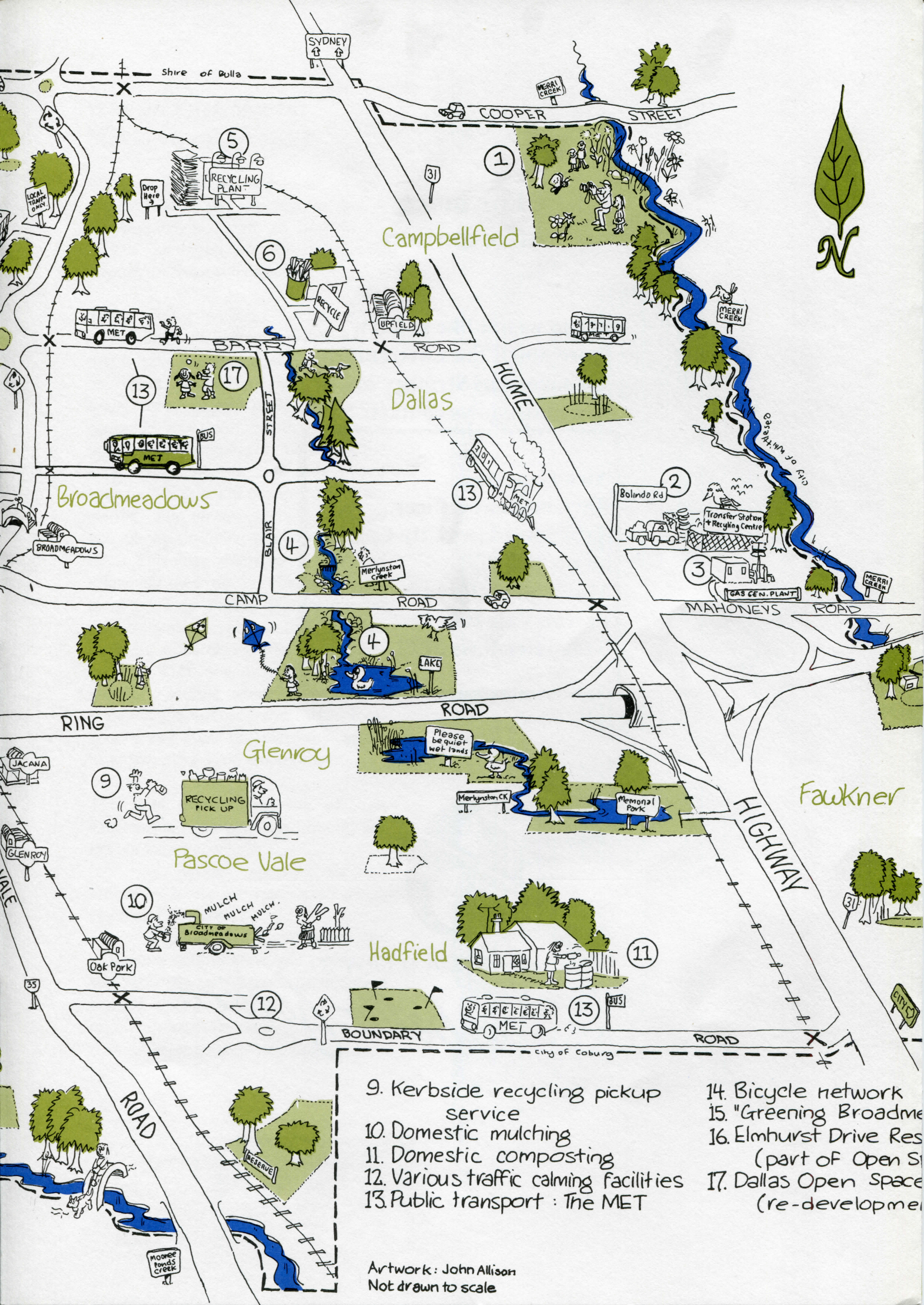
**City of Broadmeadows is committed to caring for the environment. This brochure provides examples of actions people can do to help the environment.**



# Current Environmental initiatives within Broadmeadows

1. Cooper St Grassland (part of proposed Merri Ck. Park)
2. Bolinda Rd Transfer Station and Recycling Depot
3. Gas Generation Plant
4. Merlynston Creek Water Quality Improvement
5. Visy Paper Recycling Centre
6. Aussie Waste Recycling Centre
7. Broadmeadows Valley Park
8. Historic Westmeadows





- 9. Kerbside recycling pickup service
- 10. Domestic mulching
- 11. Domestic composting
- 12. Various traffic calming facilities
- 13. Public transport : The MET

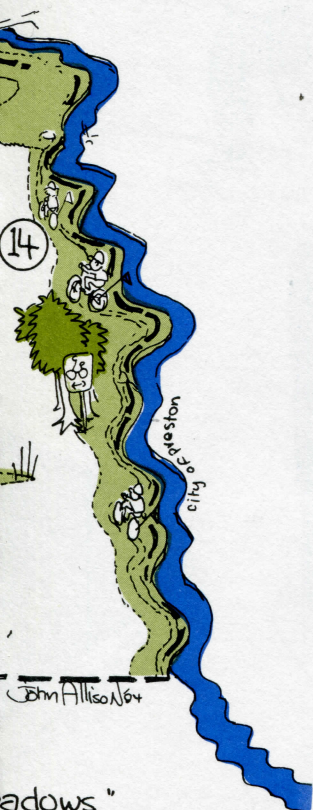
- 14. Bicycle network
- 15. "Greening Broadmeadows"
- 16. Elmhurst Drive Reserve (part of Open Space)
- 17. Dallas Open Space (re-development)

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The aims in the strategy will be implemented over a number of years and include:

### **Becoming Less Wasteful**

- Pursue practices to reduce the amount of litter and pollution reaching the environment,
- Reduce by 50% the amount of waste entering landfill by 2000 through the encouragement of recycling and composting,
- Reduce the usage of energy, water and other non-renewable resources,
- Minimise the impact of transport in the municipality and encourage the development of a Regional Public Transport Strategy

### **Enhancing our City**

- Restore and protect our cultural heritage,
- Minimise the impact of industry and commerce on the local environment,
- Encourage community ownership to decrease the level of vandalism.

### **Community Environments**

- Provide an equitable distribution of high quality, well patronised open space throughout the municipality,
- Encourage community ownership of open space,
- Provide a diverse range of recreational experiences whilst seeking to minimise the impact upon the environment,
- Protect native vegetation and encourage the use of indigenous plants,
- Encourage and protect native wildlife,
- Develop integrated strategies to control introduced plants and animals impact on the natural environment,
- Reduce the risk of fire in larger parks and use fire to maintain plant composition in native grasslands,
- Restore waterways back to as natural state as possible while encouraging a wide range of recreational uses.

## Why an Environment Management Strategy

With the increasing awareness of our environment or the area that we live, it has become important to look at an overall approach, **to manage our impact on the environment.**

These actions need to occur at all levels of our society, as everyone has a part to play in changing their actions to be more environmentally friendly. Many environmental problems are not caused by one event, but the actions of many. A good example of this is the litter that pollutes our rivers and streams which is not dropped from one source but many people in the community dropping small amounts of litter. This litter enters our drains and ultimately end up in our rivers and streams. This means that significant environmental improvements can be made by small changes to everybody's actions. This document sets out to identify actions which the you and your neighbours together with local council and other organisations can do to improve our local environment.

The **long term benefits** of an Environment Management Strategy for the community include;

- saving money through reduced waste of resources(rubbish electricity & water) ,
- saving the environment by protecting natural areas and parklands, and reducing the amount of pollution created,
- maintain and enhance our cultural heritage and local identity.



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