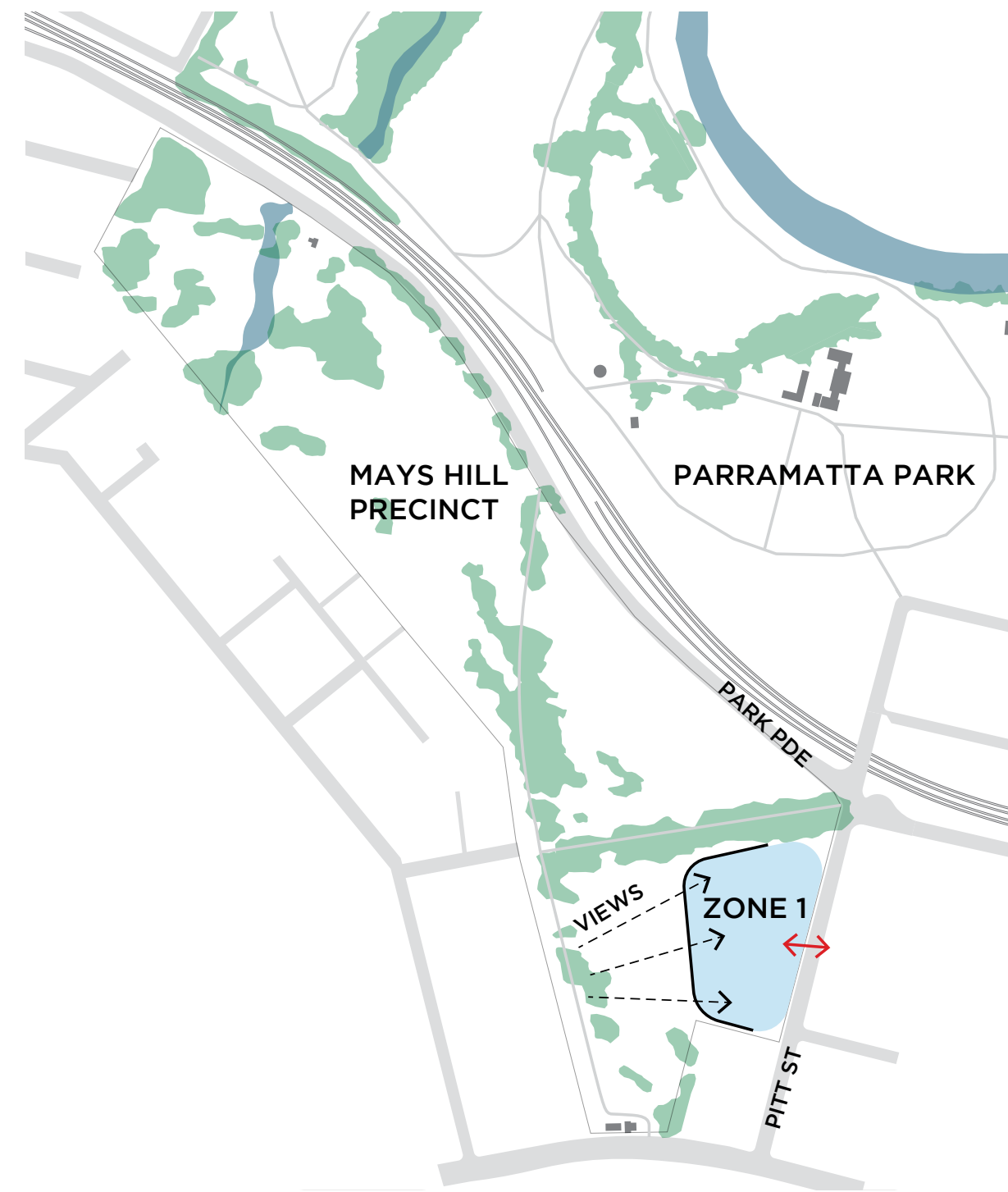


Aquatic Centre Siting Comparison

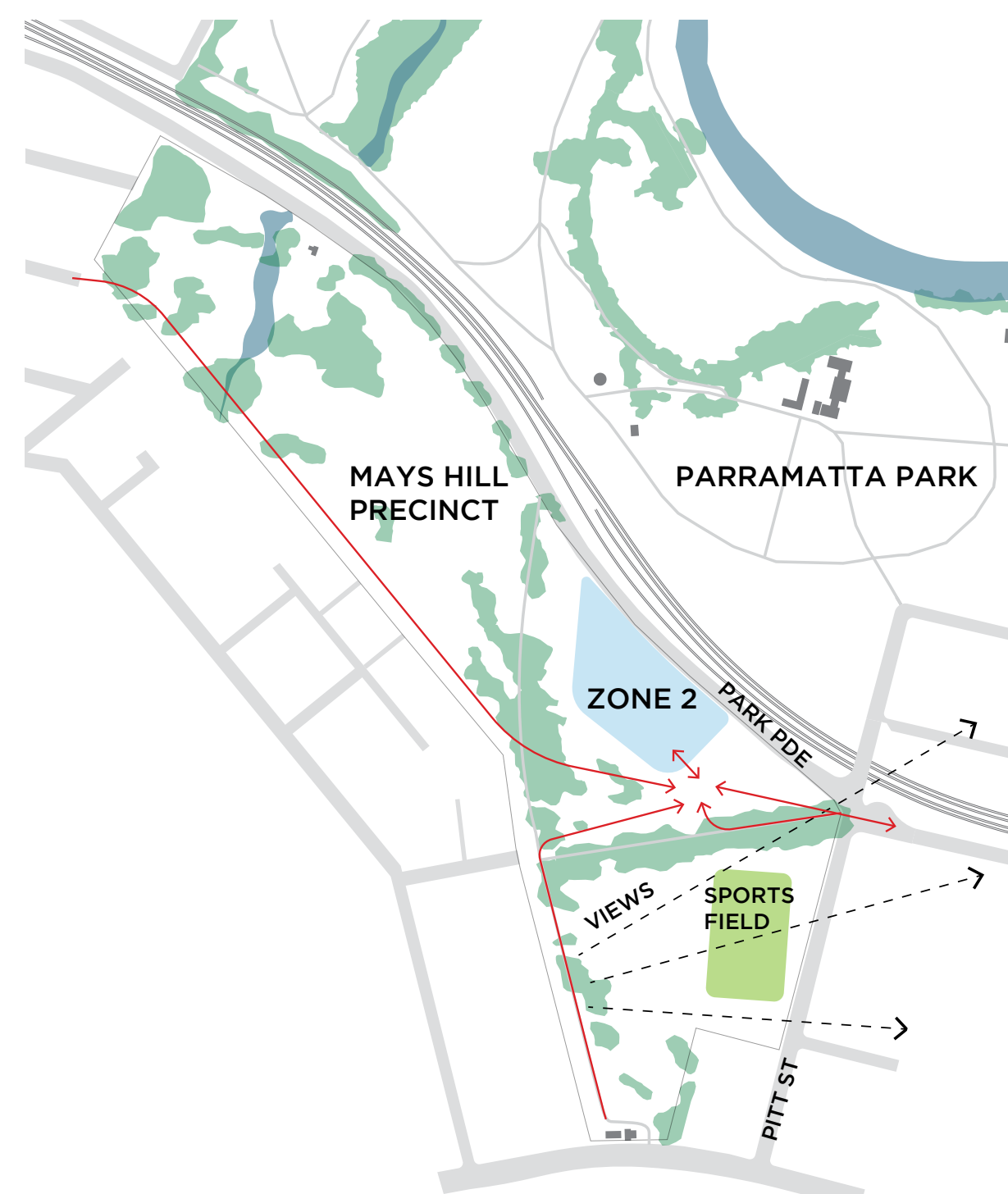
The Aquatic Centre siting comparison concluded that Zone 2 was the preferred area for the location of the Aquatic Centre, as it offers the potential for a stronger relationship with the park and the city. Zone 2 also enables the retention of the sports field in its current location, and has less impact on the expansive views from the ridge.

Community and stakeholder engagement indicated a preference for Zone 2 with vehicular access from Park Parade due to less impact on residential amenity (noise and visual), and less impact on views and the sports field.

ZONE 1



ZONE 2



OPPORTUNITIES AND CONSTRAINTS OF ZONE 1 AND ZONE 2 FOR AQUATIC CENTRE LOCATION

	ZONE 1	ZONE 2
Impact on sports field	✗ Removal of sports field during construction, and impact on school and public use. Potential to relocate the sports field.	✓ Sports field can be retained in current location.
Impact on views	✗ An Aquatic Centre will impact the existing expansive skyline views from Mays Hill, and cannot be completely mitigated by partial burying of the Centre.	✓ Less impact on the expansive views.
Impact on current Precinct area and character.	✗ Zone 1 is an area of the Precinct which currently performs well, with a strong landscape character incorporating the hill, expansive outlook, sports field and Jubilee Avenue.	✓ Zone 2 is an area of the Park which is not currently performing well, with a lack of uses, character and definition.
Connection to the city	✓ Zone 1 is higher and less related to the city due to the topography of the hill, however relates to Pitt St.	✓ Zone 2 is more related to the street and the city, with a stronger relationship to the Pitt St - Argyle St intersection, due to the street level topography.
Potential Aquatic Centre street address	✓ Strong address and definition on Pitt Street,	✓ Strong address to Park Parade, and relationship with the Pitt Street - Argyle Street intersection.
Potential for an active relationship between the Aquatic Centre and the Park, and Aquatic Centre setting	✗ Mitigating the impact on views by partial burying of the facility removes the potential for any active relationship between the Aquatic Centre and the Park, and compromises the potential of creating a Park setting for the Aquatic Centre and outdoor pool.	✓ Potential for a strong, active relationship between the Aquatic Centre, cafe, amenities and the Park at a key node in the Park's circulation system. A parkland setting can be created for the outdoor pool & Aquatic Centre, and related recreational facilities in the Park, such as a playground, can be located in proximity with the Aquatic Centre.
Traffic; vehicular entry and drop off area.	✗ Less space for vehicular entry and drop off area to Aquatic Centre on Pitt St. Community consultation indicated a preference for the vehicular entry to be located on Park Parade rather than Pitt St.	✓ Space for vehicular entry and drop off area to Aquatic Centre on Park Parade. Community consultation indicated a preference for the vehicular entry to be located on Park Parade rather than Pitt St.
Community consultation preference	✗ Community consultation indicated a preference for Zone 2 compared to Zone 1, due to a concern about the impact on residential amenity (noise and visual). Zone 1 was also not strongly supported due to the impact on the sports field and on views.	✓ Community consultation indicated a preference for Zone 2, which was considered to have less impact on residential amenity (noise and visual) compared to Zone 1. Zone 2 was also supported in order to retain sports field in its current location and reduce impact on views.