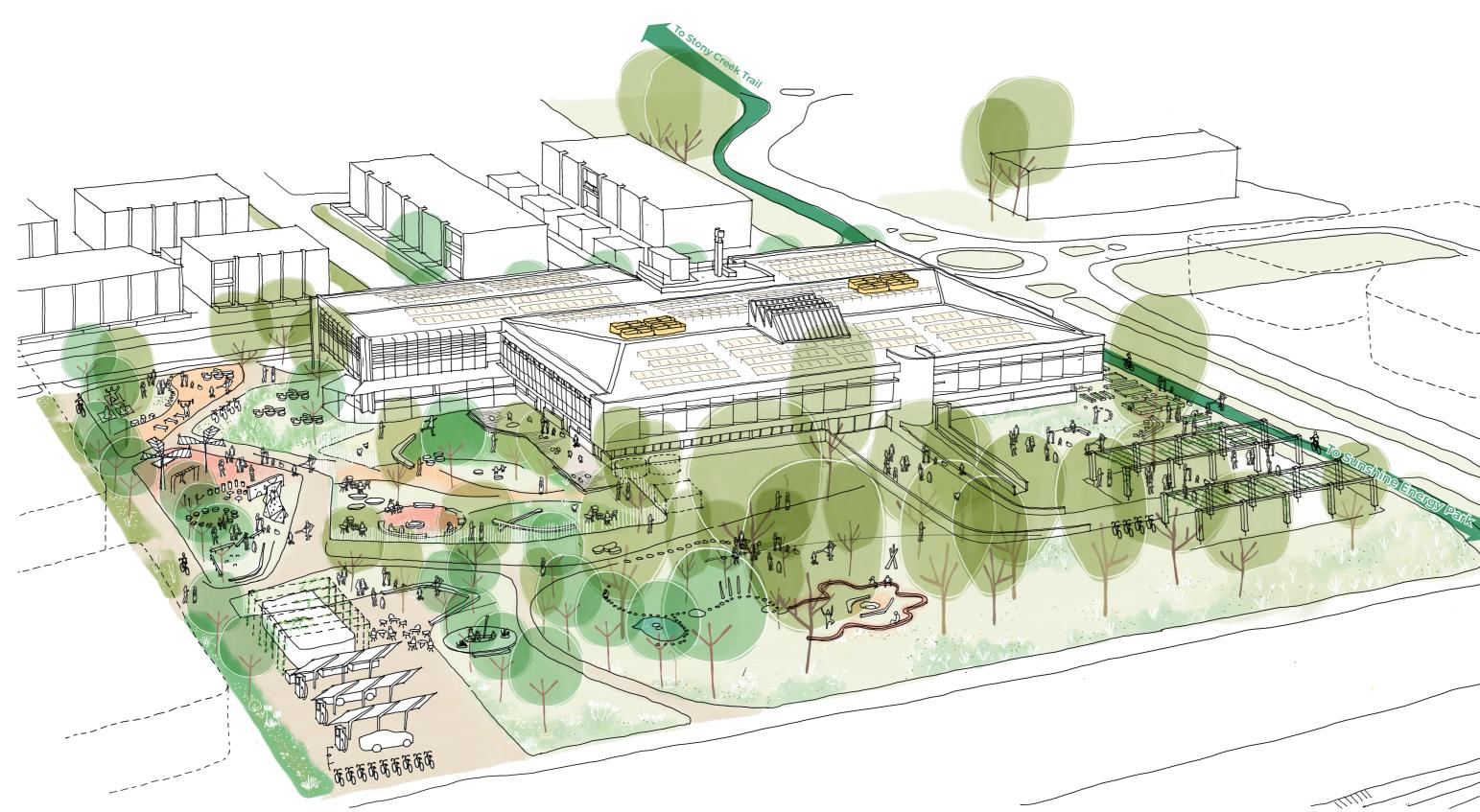
# Acknowledgment

Our team acknowledges and hopes to work with the Wurundjeri and Bunurong in fair collaboration as the custodians of the land of this part of the Kulin nation, and the Kurung-Jang-Balluk and Marin-Balluk are the clans who hold the knowledge of the Country of this project. We recognise their continuing connection to the land, waters and community. We thank them for protecting this land and its ecosystems since time immemorial. We pay our respects to the Elders, past and present.

# **ILLUMANATE**



Childcare Lobby Children embarking on their play journey, while nearby co-working spaces support parents, fostering connections & balance

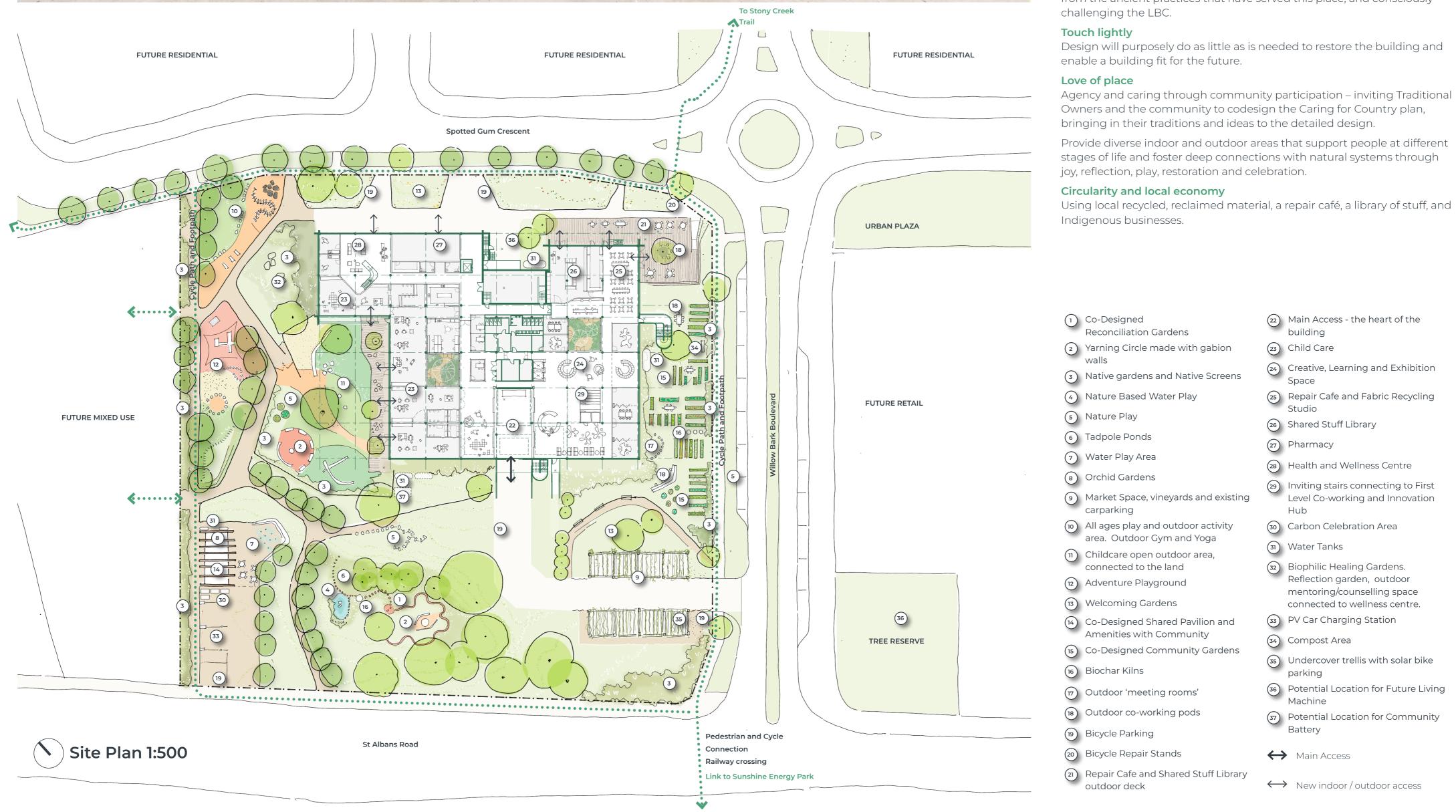


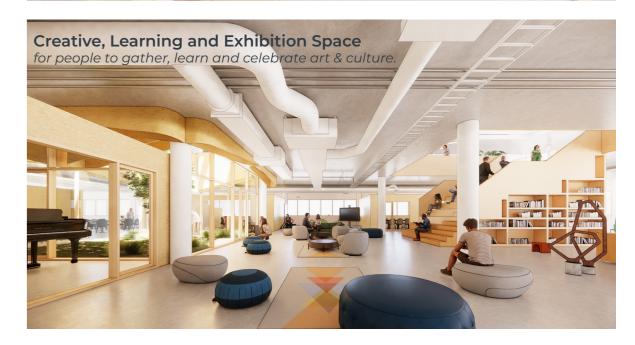


# **Story Between Two Creeks**

This site would have been a place between two creeks, a fertile area that evolved from the erosion of the many volcanoes that formed this area of Australia. The Kurung-jang-balluk would have rested here, feasted here, hunted here, and told their stories here. It was a fertile and prosperous place for them, managed over millennia through fire, relationship and caring. It was a place to collect yam daisies (murnong) which could be roasted or made into paste and bread, to hunt for kangaroos and eels, make tools, weave baskets and teach under the shecak.

Our project creates a narrative, a story, that moves between the two creeks, between the Sunshine Energy Park and its potential, between the active transport and the potential for residents and visitors to rediscover the relationship of caring for place and each other.





This proposal is a response to the potential of the site and invites the reconciliation of past, present and future through honouring the story of of the place and the evolving community around it.

Our key initiatives that touch each of the Living Building Challenge petals and underpin our proposal are:

## Caring for Country (CfC)

Having the building and the landscape as a place that helps the community to understand how to care for Country, what to plant, how to share, how to fix, and how to build.

### Honour story and essence

Surface the story of place and its purpose through design in and around the building.

## Walking together

Supporting Indigenous procurement and a start-up that enables local biochar production to support bringing back fertility to the land, learning from the ancient practices that have served this place, and consciously