

AGENDA

Assets and Infrastructure Committee

Monday, 11 May 2026

Committee Meetings commence at 6.00pm and run consecutively

**Dragon Room
Georges River Civic Centre
Hurstville**



OATH OF OFFICE OR AFFIRMATION OF OFFICE

All Georges River Councillors are reminded of their Oath of Office or Affirmation of Office made at the time of their swearing into the role of Councillor.

All Councillors are to undertake the duties of the office of Councillor in the best interests of the people of the Georges River Council area and are to act faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in them under the *Local Government Act 1993* or any other Act to the best of their ability and judgement.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

All Georges River Councillors are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflict of interest (perceived or otherwise) in a matter being considered by Council or at any meeting of Council.

ASSETS AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING

ORDER OF BUSINESS

OPENING

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Council acknowledges the Bidjigal people of the Eora Nation, who are the Traditional Custodians of all lands, waters and sky in the Georges River area. I pay my respect to Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who live, work and meet on these lands.

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REQUEST TO JOIN VIA AUDIO VISUAL LINK

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CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Item: ASS017-26 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 13 April 2026

Author: Executive Services Officer

Directorate: Office of the General Manager

Matter Type: Previous Minutes

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 13 April 2026, be confirmed.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment [↓](#)1 Minutes of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 13 April 2026

ASS017-26

MINUTES

Assets and Infrastructure Committee

Monday, 13 April 2026

6:00 PM

Dragon Room

Georges River Civic Centre

Hurstville

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GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL

PRESENT

COUNCIL MEMBERS

The Mayor, Councillor Elise Borg, Councillor Natalie Mort (Chair), Councillor Matthew Allison, Councillor Elaina Anzellotti, Councillor Tom Arthur, Councillor Oliver Dimoski, Councillor Thomas Gao, Councillor Gerard Hayes, Councillor Christina Jamieson, Councillor Kathryn Landsberry, Councillor Nancy Liu, Councillor Peter Mahoney, Councillor Leon Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Sam Stratikopoulos, and Councillor Ben Wang.

COUNCIL STAFF

General Manager – David Tuxford, Director Assets and Infrastructure – Bryce Spelta, Director Environment and Planning – Joseph Hill, Director Community and Culture – Kristie Dodd, Director Business and Corporate Services – Danielle Parker, Manager, Office of the General Manager – Vicki McKinley, Executive Services Officer – Nickie Paras, Executive Services Officer – Nickie Paras, General Counsel - James Fan, Executive Manager City Futures – Kent Stroud, Technology Services Officer - Chris Stojanovski.

OPENING

The Chairperson, Councillor Mort, opened the meeting at 6:05pm.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

There were no apologies or requests for leave of absence.

REQUEST TO ATTEND VIA AUDIO VISUAL LINK

MOTION: Councillor Liu, Councillor Dimoski

That a request from Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos to attend the meeting remotely via audio visual link be accepted due to unforeseen medical reasons. Councillor Stratikopoulos provided a statutory declaration to support his request.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Mort, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Pecuniary Interest – Mayor, Councillor Borg disclosed a Pecuniary Interest in item **ASS007-26 Blakehurst and Kogarah Bay Wards Overland Flow Flood Study**, for the reason as the study proposes changes to flood tagging to her principal place of residence or those of her direct relatives. Mayor Councillor **Borg**, will not be present during the consideration of this item.

Pecuniary Interest – Mayor, Councillor Borg disclosed a Pecuniary Interest in item **ASS008-26 (FRMCC002-26) Report of the Floodplain Risk Management Committee Meeting Update on the Blakehurst and Kogarah Bay Wards Flood Study**, for the reason the study

proposes changes to flood tagging to her principal place of residence or those of her direct relatives. Mayor Councillor **Borg**, will not be present during the consideration of this item.

Pecuniary Interest – Councillor Mort disclosed a Pecuniary Interest in item **ASS007-26 Blakehurst and Kogarah Bay Wards Overland Flow Flood Study**, for the reason the study proposes changes to flood tagging to her principal place of residence. Councillor **Mort**, will not be present during the consideration of this item.

Pecuniary Interest – Councillor Mort disclosed a Pecuniary Interest in item **ASS008-26 (FRMCC002-26) Report of the Floodplain Risk Management Committee Meeting Update on the Blakehurst and Kogarah Bay Wards Flood Study**, for the reason the study proposes changes to flood tagging to her principal place of residence. Councillor **Mort**, will not be present during the consideration of this item.

Non- Significant Non – Pecuniary Interest - Councillor Jamieson disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in item **ASS007-26 Blakehurst and Kogarah Bay Wards Overland Flow Flood Study** for the reason that her property was previously tagged in the flood study. However, her property is no longer included in the traffic study and therefore there is no longer any significant or pecuniary interest. Councillor Jamieson will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

Non- Significant Non – Pecuniary Interest - Councillor Jamieson disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in item **ASS008-26 Report of the Floodplain Risk Management Committee meeting held on 18 March 2026** for the reason that her property was previously tagged in the flood study. However, her property is no longer included in the traffic study and therefore there is no longer any significant or pecuniary interest. Councillor Jamieson will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

ASS006-26 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 9 March 2026
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu

That the Minutes of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 9 March 2026, be confirmed.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Mort, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

ELECTION OF ALTERNATE CHAIRPERSON

RECOMMENDATION: Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Liu

That Councillor Jamieson be elected alternate Chairperson.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Mort, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

Note: Councillor Mort vacated the Chair the time being 6:12pm

ASS007-26 Blakehurst and Kogarah Bay Wards Overland Flow Flood Study (Report by Manager Assets and Traffic)

Note: Mayor Councillor Borg and Councillor Mort declared a Pecuniary Interest in this matter and left the Chambers at 6:12pm during consideration of the item.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Landsberry

That the report and attachments be received and noted by the Committee.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

FRMCC002-26 UPDATE ON BLAKEHURST AND KOGARAH BAY WARDS FLOOD STUDY (Report by Senior Assets Engineer - Stormwater)

Note: Mayor Councillor Borg and Councillor Mort declared a Pecuniary Interest in this matter and left the Chambers at 6:12pm during consideration of the item.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Allison, Councillor Landsberry

That the Floodplain Risk Management Committee receive and note the verbal presentation on the final draft of Blakehurst and Kogarah Bay Wards Overland Flow Flood Study and provide a recommendation to Council to:

- (a) receive and adopt attached final Draft of the Blakehurst and Kogarah Bay Ward Overland Flow Flood Study;
- (b) delegate authority to the General Manager to make minor modifications to any numerical, typographical, interpretation, formatting errors, if required, to the final flood study;
- (c) endorse the inclusion of the required legal notation on the 10.7 Planning Certificates for identified properties; and
- (d) publish the adopted flood study report on Council's Website.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

Note: Councillor Mort resumed the Chair, the time being 6:19pm

ASS008-26 Report of the Floodplain Risk Management Committee meeting held on 18 March 2026 (Report by Administration Officer)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Liu, Councillor Jamieson

That the Floodplain Risk Management Committee recommendations for items FRMCC002-26 to FRMCC005-26 with the exception of FRMCC002-26 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Mort, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

Against the Motion: Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was fourteen (14) votes FOR and one (1) vote AGAINST. The Motion was CARRIED.

FRMCC003-26 UPDATE ON THE FEASIBILITY STUDY OF FLOOD RISK MITIGATION OPTIONS AT THE GLOUCESTER ROAD-STONEY CREEK ROAD INTERSECTION AND THE MORGAN STREET-GLOUCESTER ROAD INTERSECTION, BEVERLY HILLS

(Report by Senior Assets Engineer - Stormwater)

- (a) That the Floodplain Risk Management Committee receive and note the presentation on current progress update on the Feasibility Study of Flood Risk Mitigation Options at the Gloucester Road-Stoney Creek Road Intersection and the Morgan Street-Gloucester Road Intersection, Beverly Hills.
- (b) That the Floodplain Risk Management Committee note the preferred options which are selected for detailed cost-benefit assessment.

FRMCC004-26 FLOODPLAIN RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - UPDATED TERMS OF REFERENCE AND OUTCOME OF EOI - COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE ROLE

(Report by Senior Assets Engineer - Stormwater)

That the Floodplain Risk Management Committee:

- (a) Receives and notes this report on the updated Terms of Reference for the Floodplain Risk

Management Committee and the recent appointment of community representatives.

- (b) Notes the resignation of former Community Representative Erin Seller and formally acknowledges Erin's contribution to the Committee.

FRMCC005-26 UPDATE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CLIMATE CHANGE, ENERGY, THE ENVIRONMENT AND WATER (DCCEEW)
(Report by Senior Assets Engineer - Stormwater)

That the Committee receives and notes the verbal update provided by the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water.

ASS009-26 Report of the Local Transport Forum meeting held on 25 March 2026
(Report by Administration Officer)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Liu, Councillor Jamieson

That the Local Transport Forum recommendations for items LTF026-26 to LTF029-26 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Mort, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

LTF026-26 RAILWAY PARADE, KOGARAH - PROPOSED ACCESSIBLE PARKING
(Report by Traffic Engineer)

That 6m of the existing time-restricted parking '1P, Mon-Fri 8:30 am-6 pm and Sat 8:30 am-12:30 pm' on the eastern side of Railway Parade, Kogarah be converted into an accessible parking zone, as per the plan in the report.

LTF027-26 RAILWAY PARADE, KOGARAH - PROPOSED MOTORBIKE PARKING
(Report by Traffic Engineer)

That 3m of the existing 'Loading Zone, 8:30 am-6 pm Mon-Fri, 8:30 am-12:30 pm Sat' restriction on the eastern side of Railway Parade, Kogarah be converted into a motorbike parking zone, as per the plan in the report.

LTF028-26 SANS SOUCI PARK CAR PARK, SANS SOUCI - PROPOSED 'NO STOPPING' RESTRICTIONS
(Report by Traffic Engineer)

That 'No Stopping' restrictions be installed at Sans Souci Park car park as per the plan in the report.

LTF029-26 UPDATE TO LOCAL TRANSPORT FORUM TERMS OF REFERENCE V3.0 IN LINE WITH TFNSW 2025 INSTRUMENT.

(Report by Coordinator Traffic and Transport)

That the Local Transport Forum Terms of Reference v3.0 be adopted (see attachment), replacing the previously adopted Local Transport Forum Terms of Reference v2.0.

ASS010-26 Local Transport Forum updated Terms of Reference

(Report by Manager Assets and Traffic)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney

- (a) Council sub-delegates the functions set out in the Transport for NSW (2025) Authorisation and Delegation Instrument to the following position:
- (i) 100000 - General Manager
 - (ii) 200000 – Director Assets & Infrastructure
 - (iii) 200276 – Manager Assets & Traffic
 - (iv) 200255 – Coordinator Traffic & Transport
- (b) That the Mayor be authorised to execute the Instrument of Sub-delegation on behalf of Council.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Mort, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

ASS011-26 The Green Sporting Amenity - Budget Update

(Report by Manager City Technical Services)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Pun left the Chambers at 06:33pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Pun returned to the Chambers at 06:34pm

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu

- (a) That Council note the increase in required budget to proceed with The Green Sporting Amenity Construction project.
- (b) That Council approve the non-budgeted capital expenditure, as outlined in the confidential attachment, to proceed with The Green Sporting Amenity construction.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Mort, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was

CARRIED.

ASS012-26 Woodville Park Spatial Framework
(Report by Manager City Technical Services)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Liu, Councillor Jamieson

That Council:

- (a) Note the outcomes of the Woodville Park Spatial Framework community engagement.
- (b) Endorses the Draft Woodville Park Spatial Framework.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Mort, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

ASS013-26 Draft Penshurst Town Centre Public Domain Plan
(Report by Strategic Placemaking Specialist)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Mahoney

That Council recommend the Draft Penshurst Town Centre Public Domain Plan proceed to public exhibition and community consultation for broader stakeholder and community endorsement.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Mort, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

ASS014-26 Todd Park Sporting Facility Reconstruction - Community Engagement
(Report by Manager City Technical Services)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Liu

That Council:

- (a) Endorse the two concept design options for the Todd Park Sporting Facility Reconstruction project being:
 - (i) Four-changeroom community sporting and public amenity, or
 - (ii) Four-changeroom community sporting and public amenity, and a gym primarily for the use of, and funded by, St George District Rugby League Football Club.
- (b) Endorse the progression of community engagement for the Todd Park Sporting Facility Reconstruction project presenting both options to the community.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Mort, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

ASS015-26 Peakhurst Park Adventure Playspace - Community Engagement Outcomes and Concept Design
(Report by Manager City Technical Services)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Dimoski

That Council:

- (a) Note the outcome of the Peakhurst Park Adventure Playspace Design community engagement.
- (b) Endorses the concept design for the Peakhurst Park Adventure Playspace to proceed to detailed design and construction.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Mort, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

ASS016-26 Endeavour Street Seawall Reconstruction - Budget Update
(Report by Manager City Technical Services)

RECOMMENDATION: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Liu

- (a) That Council note the increase in required budget to proceed with the design of the Endeavour Street Seawall Reconstruction project.
- (b) That Council approve the additional non-budgeted capital expenditure, as outlined in the report.

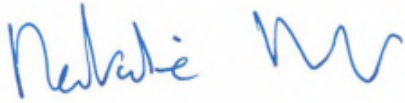
Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Mort, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

CONCLUSION

The Meeting was closed at 6:57PM



Chairperson

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COMMITTEE REPORTS**Item:** ASS018-26 Mortdale Streetscape Enhancement Investigation**Author:** Manager City Technical Services**Directorate:** Assets and Infrastructure**Matter Type:** Committee Reports**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council:

- (a) Receive and note this report outlining the outcomes of the investigation and the installation of enhancements to the Mortdale streetscape.
- (b) Approves the inclusion of non-budgeted capital expenditure of \$90,000 in the 2026/27 Financial Year.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. This report presents the outcomes of an investigation into the feasibility of additional enhancement/beautification works within the Mortdale streetscape, as identified within the March 2025 Council Resolution (NM016-25).
2. Enhancements, including fairy light installation on two mature street trees on Morts Road, and the planting of a 200L semi-mature Magnolia on the corner of Oxford Street and Morts Road have already been completed.
3. Further enhancements, including additional bench seating adjacent to the pedestrian crossing on Cook Street and timber cladding on the concrete seating surrounding the large trees at Morts Road and Pitt Street and Morts Road and Macquarie Place, have been ordered and are scheduled for installation by 30 June 2026.
4. Further greening of the area can be achieved by the placement of fifteen (15) planter boxes and planting of two (2) additional street trees subject to a budget of \$90,000 being included in the 2026/27 budget which is currently exhibited in draft form.

BACKGROUND

5. Streetscape improvement works were completed in 2024 within the Mortdale town centre along Morts Road, between the train station and Victoria Avenue. These stage 1 streetscape works included the undergrounding of electrical and telecommunication infrastructure, upgrade of streetlighting, paving, installation of stormwater infrastructure, planting of street trees, installation of street furniture and installation of traffic facilities.
6. Community feedback following the completion of these works identified a desire for additional enhancements/beautification features, resulting in a March 2025 Council Resolution (NM016-25) focused on the delivery of streetscape enhancements in Mortdale:
 - (a) *That Council includes a budget bid in the 2025/26 budget for streetscape enhancements in Mortdale Village, specifically:*
 - (i) *Installing timber cladding on the concrete seating surrounding the large trees at Morts Road and Pitt Street and Morts Road and Macquarie Place intersections to improve comfort and aesthetics.*

(ii) Introducing additional greenery through planter boxes and trees in suitable locations, including outside Chemist Warehouse on Cook Street, to mitigate the identified heat spot and enhance the urban canopy.

(iii) Investigating the installation of appropriate bench seating adjacent to the pedestrian crossing on Cook Street at Morts Road to support pedestrian amenity.

(iv) Installing street tree lighting to activate the centre and improve nighttime vibrancy and safety.

(v) Installing Christmas lighting and decorations for Christmas 2025 to create a festive atmosphere and support local businesses.

(vi) Removing or replacing the existing tree stump to improve aesthetics and pedestrian accessibility.

(vii) Investigating alternative bollard designs to replace the existing silver bollards, which currently reflect sunlight into vehicles and pedestrian pathways, creating a safety hazard.

(b) That, should a budget bid be supported in the 2025/2026 budget, a report is provided to Council outlining the feasibility, cost estimates and implementation timeline for these enhancements

7. Council resolved at the June 2025 Council Meeting (CCL053-25) to include Mortdale Streetscape Embellishment works within the capital works program to deliver “enhanced seating and lighting and planting”. A budget of \$125,000 was subsequently included in the 2025/26 Capital Works Program to enable appropriate investigations and work implementations to occur.
8. A detailed site investigation has been undertaken within the area of the earlier Stage 1 streetscapes upgrade works (Attachment 1) to determine capacity to execute proposed streetscape embellishments as prescribed in the March 2025 resolution.
9. The findings of the desktop review, site investigations and cost estimates have been summarised below according to the March 2025 resolution (NM016-25):
 - (i) Installing timber cladding on the concrete seating surrounding the large trees on Morts Road, Mortdale.
 - a) A review of the detailed design plans from Stage 1 streetscape works, along with an assessment of existing on-site infrastructure, was undertaken.
 - b) The review confirmed that timber bench seating is feasible in the preferred locations, as detailed in Attachment A. A proprietary seating product has been identified, which meets the unique curvature of the concrete planter surrounds, enabling quotes to be obtained for a contractor to supply and install the seating.
 - c) This work will be executed within the 2025/26 Financial Year within the existing budget allocation.
 - (ii) Introducing additional greenery through planter boxes and trees in suitable locations, including outside Chemist Warehouse on Cook Street, Mortdale.
 - a) An inspection was carried out to review existing site constraints, such as kerbside parking, phone booths, street trees, and electric vehicle charging infrastructure, that may influence town centre use and the suitability of proposed planter boxes and tree pits.
 - b) A desktop assessment was further completed to verify pedestrian circulation space, setbacks from the kerb, and appropriate sight lines associated with adjacent pedestrian crossings.

- c) Two (2) locations were found to be suitable for the installation of tree pits and fifteen (15) potential locations for planter boxes, as outlined in Attachment A.
- d) Installation of this additional greenery as part of the 2026/27 Capital Works program is subject to the inclusion of a \$90,000 budget.
- (iii) Investigating the installation of appropriate bench seating adjacent to the pedestrian cross on Cook Street, Mortdale.
 - a) An inspection was carried out to review existing site constraints, such as kerbside parking, phone booths, street trees, and electric vehicle charging infrastructure, that may influence town centre and bench seating use.
 - b) Further assessment was completed to verify pedestrian circulation space, setbacks from the kerb, and appropriate sight lines associated with adjacent pedestrian crossings.
 - c) Three (3) locations were found to be suitable for the installation of bench seating, as outlined in Attachment A.
 - d) This work will be executed within the 2025/26 Financial Year within the existing budget allocation.
- (iv) Installing street tree lighting to activate the centre and improve nighttime vibrancy and safety.
 - a) Contractors have been engaged to undertake electrical upgrade works and the installation of 'fairy lights' on the two (2) mature trees on Morts Road, Mortdale, as outlined in Attachment A.
 - b) This work has been completed however several strands have since been damaged by cockatoos. Rectification of the damaged strands will be carried out after the cockatoos have moved on.
- (v) Installing Christmas lighting and decorations for Christmas 2025 to create a festive atmosphere and support local businesses.

For the 2025 Christmas period, Council installed a 4m Christmas Cone Tree (Slim Frame) with lights and red, green and gold decorations within the Mortdale town centre. The Christmas tree and associated white picket fence cost \$5,720, funded from existing Community and Culture budget.
- (vi) Removing or replacing the existing tree stump to improve aesthetics and pedestrian accessibility.
 - a) A site investigation has been conducted and determined that the site is suitable for a replacement tree to be installed.
 - b) A semi-mature 200L Magnolia 'Little Gem' was planted at this location on April 16, 2026.
- (vii) Investigating alternative bollard designs to replace the existing silver bollards, which currently reflect sunlight into vehicles and pedestrian pathways, creating a safety hazard.
 - a) Bollards were installed in the 2024 streetscape improvement works to enhance pedestrian safety.
 - b) Bollards used for pedestrian crossings and shared zones in Australia must comply with strict safety and visibility standards, notably AS/NZS 3845.2:2017 (road safety devices) and AS 1428.1 (design for access and mobility). They are designed to create a physical barrier between vehicles and pedestrians while ensuring accessibility for wheelchairs and mobility devices.

- c) The 67 standard bollards are compliant with these standards and are utilised across the Local Government Area (LGA) as Council's standard bollard type.
- d) The supply and installation of bollards to replace the 67 within Mortdale is estimated to cost approximately \$140,000 excluding any requirement to rectify paving resulting from the work.
- e) Replacing the existing standard bollards within the Stage 1 streetscape improvement area is not recommended, as they remain compliant, effective and the cost to do so prohibitive.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 10. The 2025/26 Capital Works Program included \$125,000 to investigate and execute streetscape improvement works.
- 11. An additional \$90,000 will be required within the 2026/27 Capital Works Program to undertake the additional greenery works recommended in this report.

RISK IMPLICATIONS

- 12. The assessment of potential enhancement and beautification features within the Mortdale Streetscape has addressed risks related to pedestrian circulation, kerb setbacks, and sight-line requirements, ensuring compliance with appropriate Australian Standards, to support the successful implementation of any additional infrastructure.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- 13. As this investigation was undertaken in response to a Council Resolution and community interest in these embellishments, and the scale of embellishments is minor, community engagement will be limited to work notifications. In accordance with City Technical Services' Community Engagement Guidelines, work notification signage and direct correspondence to adjacent businesses and residents will be issued two (2) weeks prior to the commencement of seating installation works.

FILE REFERENCE

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment [↓](#)1 Mortdale Streetscape Embellishment Investigation



Extent of investigation – Stage 1 Mortdale Streetscape Upgrades

Mortdale Streetscape Enhancement Investigation

City Technical Services has progressed the investigation of resolution actions as part of the 2025/26 Capital Works Program.

This involved investigating capacity for infrastructure to be included, considering Accessibility Compliance, Australian Standards and site services.



i. Timber Cladding for Concrete Seating



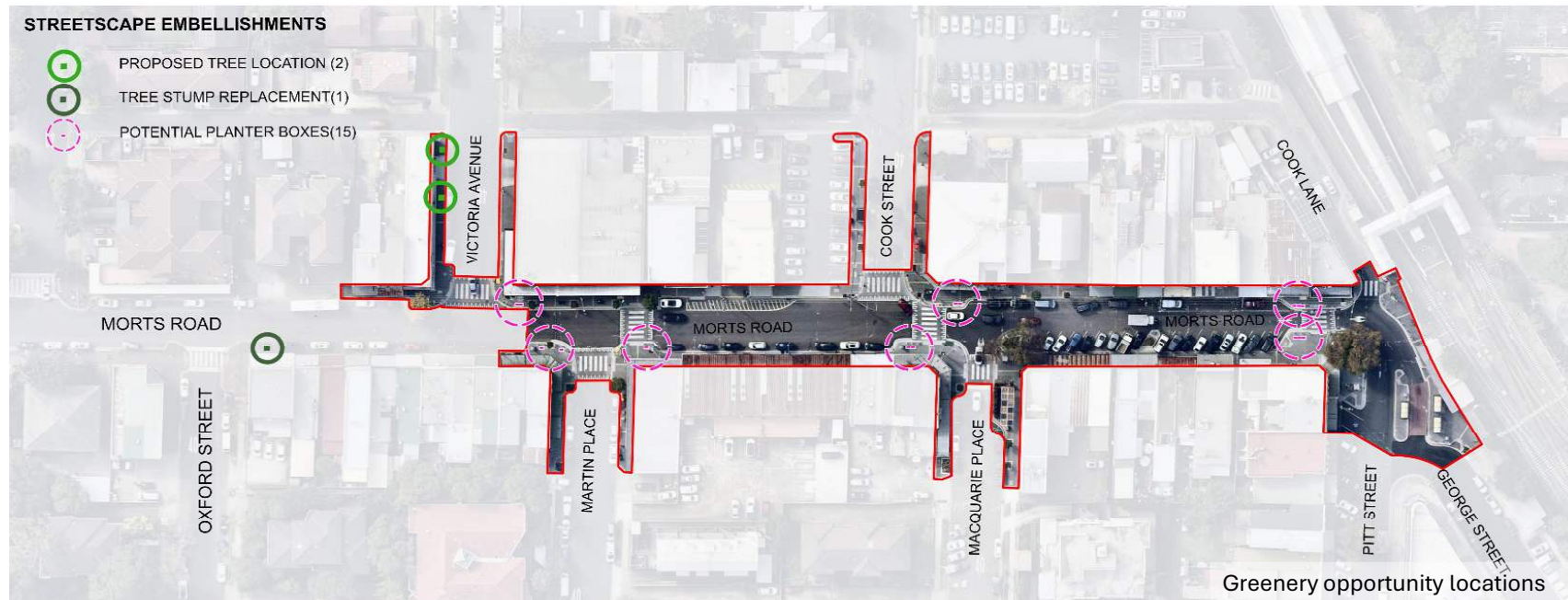
Timber bench seating example

The investigation confirmed capacity to install six (6) sections of timber bench seating surrounding the large trees on Morts Road, Mortdale. A proprietary seating product has been identified, which meets the unique curvature of the concrete planter surrounds.



Timber seating installation locations

ii. Enhancing Greenery and Urban Canopy



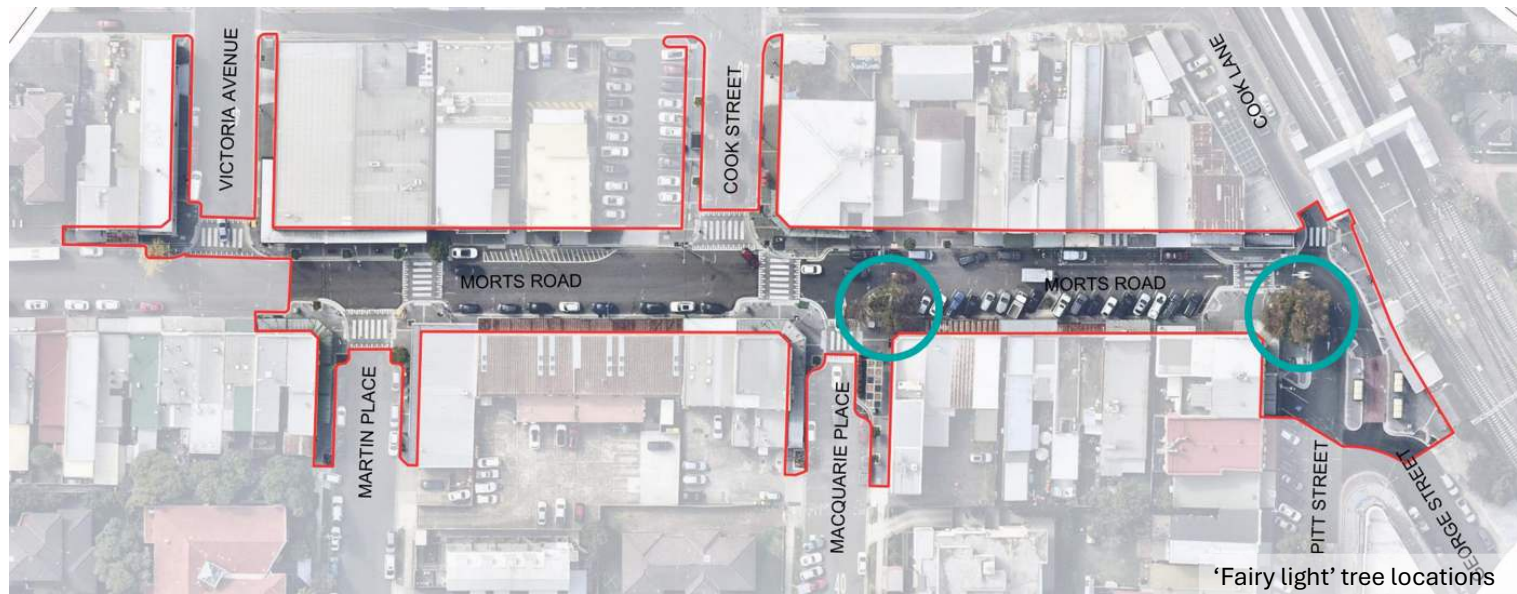
Capacity to plant 2 new street trees and install 15 planter boxes has been identified.
Replanting of tree on corner of Oxford Street and Morts Road to also occur (vi of resolution).

iii. Pedestrian-Friendly Bench Seating



Three (3) bench seat locations identified in proximity to the Cooks Street pedestrian crossing.

iv. Street Tree Lighting for Nighttime Activation



City Operational Services is working to install and activate street tree 'fairy lighting' of the two mature trees on Morts Road.

Item: ASS019-26 Draft Verge Management Policy

Author: Executive Manager City Presentation & Operational Services

Directorate: Assets and Infrastructure

Matter Type: Committee Reports

ASS019-26

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That Council endorse the Draft Verge Management Policy to go on public exhibition for a period of not less than 28 days to allow feedback from residents, stakeholders and experts in environmental sustainability.
- (b) That Council receive a further report after the public exhibition period has concluded to adopt the policy after considering the feedback received.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. The Draft Verge Management Policy (2026) has been developed to establish guidelines for the efficient and consistent management of vegetation in the verges/natures strips throughout the local government area.
2. This report is seeking Council endorsement for the Draft Verge Management Policy to go on public exhibition.
3. The Draft Verge Management Policy has two key implications:
 - (a) Formalises Council's position that it is the resident/ property owner's responsibility to maintain the verge in accordance with the Verge Management Policy.
 - (b) The current list of 70 residents / property owners for which a verge maintenance service is currently provided will potentially have this service removed or substantially reduced.
4. This approach and policy position is typical for councils across metropolitan Sydney.
5. Residents are allowed to establish or maintain gardens within the verge provided they are registered with Council and meet the requirements set out in the Verge Garden Program Guidelines.

BACKGROUND

6. At the December 2024 Council Meeting Council Resolved NM102 – 24:
 - (a) *That the General Manager develops a Verge Management Policy:*
 - i. *To include a comprehensive approach that outlines responsibilities in managing and maintaining street verges across the local government area (LGA).*
 - ii. *To address factors such as, but not limited to:*
 - a. *The size and location of verges.*
 - b. *Difficulty factors such as exposed tree roots, steep inclines, and high traffic areas.*
 - c. *Environmental considerations, including the suitability of native plantings and water conservation practices.*
 - d. *Other relevant policies and programs, such as the Verge Garden Program.*
 - iii. *To ensure feedback from residents, stakeholders, and experts in environmental sustainability, such as Oatley Flora and Fauna, are considered and incorporated.*

7. Under the Roads Act 1993, local councils are the road authority and therefore have ultimate responsibility for nature strips as part of the road reserve. However, councils are legally permitted to delegate routine maintenance to adjacent landowners as a matter of policy, custom and resource management.
8. The position adopted by most metropolitan Sydney councils as a long-standing, budget critical service model is that the abutting property owners or occupants are primarily responsible for the routine maintenance of grass verges adjoining their property (refer to attachment 3: '*Council Benchmarking*' for examples).
9. It is neither feasible nor operationally viable for Council to maintain all nature strips adjacent to properties across the entire local government area. For this reason, Council relies on and appreciates the goodwill of its residents to maintain their own nature strips to contribute to the aesthetic of the local neighbourhood and the overall beautification of the local government area.
10. On 28 February 2022, Georges River Council established the Verge Garden Program which enables residents and businesses to garden on the 'street verge' (i.e. the nature strip) in accordance with the Verge Garden Program Guidelines.
11. Historic decisions regarding the maintenance of verges by Council's City Presentation Team have been ad hoc and inconsistent, leading to instances of over-servicing at some locations and insufficient response to customer concerns at other locations.
12. Based on historic arrangements, 70 locations (refer to confidential attachment 5) are currently serviced by council where it would be reasonable to expect residents, business or property owners maintain these areas. If the proposed policy, procedure and service levels are adopted, residents at these locations will be advised of Council's updated policy that residents, business and property owners are responsible for maintaining grass verges adjacent to their property. This would introduce a standard level of service in terms of grass verge maintenance across the LGA.
13. The Verge Management Policy and supporting procedure, proposes two new levels of service in addition to an existing category for 'City Gateways', to guide the allocation of resources and to respond to community requests and enquiries.
 - (a) City Gateways (refer to attachment 4)
 - (b) School zones and sign-posted High Pedestrian Activity Areas
 - (c) Residential and areas not included in (a) and (b) above
14. The City Presentation team currently services 94 locations classified as verges that could ordinarily be maintained by the adjacent resident or owner.
 - (a) 24 sites meet the criteria for City Gateway
 - (b) 41 sites meet the criteria for School zones and sign-posted High Pedestrian Activity Areas
 - (c) 29 sites meet the criteria for residential and other locations
15. City Gateway locations (refer to attached map) are located on the State Road network characterised by high traffic volumes. Verge maintenance at these locations is undertaken by contractors and is completed between 9:00pm and 5:00am in accordance with the Road Occupancy Licence (ROL) required for the lane closures necessary to carry out this work safely as approved by Transport NSW.
16. If the recommended service categories are implemented, it is expected that -
 - (a) 24 City Gateway sites may increase up to 35 locations and reduce from 10 services p.a. to 9 services p.a.

- (b) 41 School Zone and High Pedestrian activity areas will be reduced from 8-12 services p.a. to 6 services p.a.
 - (c) 29 residential and other locations will be reduced from 8-12 services p.a. to 4 services p.a.
17. Currently, if a resident contacts Council requesting the maintenance of a verge the following response is provided:

Nature strips are the Council-owned land located between the constructed road and private property. It is the responsibility of the property owner/resident to maintain the nature strips directly outside their house. This includes front, side and rear grassed nature strips. Where there is an instance of an overgrown nature strip, Council will contact the property owners and direct them to tend to the nature strip as soon as possible and maintain it on a regular basis.

Contact details for a number of organisations that provide options for senior residents to assist with basic garden and lawn mowing assistance are provided below. Assistance is subject to eligibility criteria and further information can be found on Georges River Council's website at: <https://www.georgesriver.nsw.gov.au/Community/Our-Community/Older-People/Services-for-Seniors>

My Aged Care 1800 200 422 or www.myagedcare.gov.au

Better Connected Community Services Inc. 1800 864 846

Uniting Home Maintenance and Modifications 1800 486 484

Baptist Care 1300 275 227

Life Without Barriers 1800 935 483

Southern Cross Care 1800 632 314

18. Council's website currently provides the following information:

Nature strips are the Council-owned land located between the constructed road and private property. Nature strips contribute significantly to the streetscape and appearance of local neighbourhoods. It is the responsibility of the property owner to maintain the nature strips directly outside their house.

If your nature strip is unsafe, please lodge a [service request](#) on Council's website using the Mowing & Gardening classification. These requests will be assessed as a priority and made safe within 24 hours. Any additional works will be scheduled to be completed. Please note: Timeframes may vary depending on type of works required. Council is still responsible for repairing unsafe turf on nature strips, however, will no longer be taking requests for returfing only.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

19. No financial/budget impact for this report. The recent TfNSW road widening project has led to an increase of 50% in the number of locations identified on King Georges Road at Penshurst and Beverley Hills that are classified as City Gateway locations and require maintenance at the frequencies identified in this report. The resources saved from reducing the service level at other verge locations will be redirected to servicing these 11 additional City Gateway sites.
20. Should Council wish to consider providing a verge maintenance service to eligible pensioners within the LGA; this would equate to 7,344 property owners. The cost associated with providing this service (9 times per annum) would exceed \$2,500,000.

RISK IMPLICATIONS

21. *Strategic Risk 2: 'Asset management and infrastructure'*. By establishing an appropriate framework and level of service for this activity, allowing the team to respond to requests for additional sites to be maintained in a consistent manner and in doing so prevent public safety risks arising.
22. *Strategic Risk 5: 'Governance, compliance and integrity'*. Without a coherent and consistent policy Council faces reputational risk and community dissatisfaction with reduced maintenance of verges currently on regular maintenance schedules. Reduced levels of service can create a perception of inequitable service delivery and reduced community pride.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

If the Policy is approved by Council to be placed on exhibition the following activities will occur in accordance with NM102-24 and Council's Community Engagement Policy.

- Targeted consultation with experts in environmental sustainability, such as Oatley Flora and Fauna
- YourSay Page
- Social Media

FILE REFERENCE

D26/86028

ATTACHMENTS

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| Attachment ↓ 1 | DRAFT Verge Management Policy - April 2026 |
| Attachment ↓ 2 | DRAFT Verge Management Procedure - April 2026 |
| Attachment ↓ 3 | Council Benchmarking |
| Attachment ↓ 4 | City Gateway Map |
| Attachment 5 | Sites of Proposed Service Reduction Map - <i>published in separate document</i>
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Verge Management Policy

2026

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Appendices	N/A
Legislation and References	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verge Garden Program Guidelines Local Government Act 1993 Roads Act 1993 (NSW)
Breaches of Policy	Breaches of any policy or procedure will be dealt with and responded to in accordance with adopted codes and/or relevant legislation.
Record Keeping	All documents and information obtained in relation to the implementation of this policy will be kept in accordance with the NSW State Records Act 1998, Georges River Council's Records and Information Management Policy and adopted internal procedures.

Purpose

Council recognises that well-maintained street verges enhance public safety, improve accessibility, and prevent interference with public infrastructure and essential services. Further, well maintained street verges encourage the community to take pride in their neighbourhood. This policy is aligned with the Verge Garden Program Guidelines and Verge Management Procedure and establishes a consistent framework for the maintenance and management of Council owned street verges.

Scope

This policy applies to all street verges located between private property and a public road.

To ensure the efficient use of resources, Council relies on residents, strata managers, businesses, and property owners to maintain verges in front of or adjacent to residential, commercial, or industrial properties, including vacant land.

Council does not mow nature strips adjacent to other government facilities, including schools, hospitals, social housing, religious institutions, and private childcare centres.

This policy does not apply to the management of turf areas within land reserved for a public purpose, such as parks, bushland areas, or road reserves adjacent to rail corridors.

Definition of Terms

Term	Meaning
Resident/Owner	Resident and/or Property Owner (ratepayer) includes residents of residential properties, strata managers, owners and tenants of commercial properties
Verge/Nature strip	Verge and nature strip can be used interchangeably. Describes the area between the property boundary and the kerb (or edge of the roadway). This includes front, side and rear nature strips where properties have multiple frontages.
Verge Garden Program	The Verge Garden Program enables residents and business owners to plant and garden in the street verge. Further information can be found via Councils Website Verge Garden Program

Policy / Procedure / Guideline Statement

1. Adjoining owners are responsible for ongoing verge maintenance. Council intervention is limited to safety, access and city presentation priorities.

- 1.1 It is the responsibility of the residents, strata-managers, business and property owners to maintain street verges adjoining their property. This includes front, side and rear verges.
- 1.2 Residents can appoint a contractor to undertake the maintenance of verges. Council will not contribute towards the cost of this work.
- 1.3 For residents who are unable to maintain the verge adjoining their property, Council provides a link via the Council Website on the [Nature Strip Maintenance](#) page to community organisations which offer these services.
- 1.4 Council does not mow nature strips adjacent to other government facilities, including schools, hospitals, social housing, religious institutions, private childcare centres.
- 1.5 Council will maintain verges as necessary to provide safe access and use of roads and footpaths within the council area and to ensure appropriate presentation of city gateways.

2. Verge Garden Program

- 2.1. In 2022 Council established the Verge Garden Program, which enables residents and businesses to establish gardens on the street verge in accordance with the program guidelines which can be found via Councils Website [Verge Garden Program](#).
- 2.2. Verge Gardens must be registered with Council via the online registration form available on Council's website.
- 2.3. Where there is an instance of an overgrown nature strip, or instances of works contrary to the [Verge Garden Program Guidelines](#), Council will contact the property owners and direct them to tend to the verge as soon as possible and maintain it on a regular basis.
- 2.4. In instances where it presents a major safety hazard or severe inconvenience to pedestrians, Council may rectify the safety issue where:
 - 2.4.1. The height of the plants is more than 600mm.
 - 2.4.2. Overgrowth obstructing traffic, pedestrian movement on existing footpaths, and/or the free flow of water in the gutter.
 - 2.4.3. Unsafe verge garden instalments or arrangements will be removed as soon as practical, and in some cases, without consulting the resident, to make the area safe for the public. Although Council will do its best to minimise or restrict damage, any claim for arising cost/damage associated with the removal and make-safe will not be borne by Council.
- 2.5. Council may issue orders under Section 124 of the Local Government Act 1993 for failure to comply with the requirements of the Verge Garden Program Guidelines or subsequent directions to comply.

3. Verge mowing by council - guiding principles

- 3.1. Detailed operational activities, service frequencies, and enforcement steps are set out in the Verge Management Procedure.

- 3.1.1. Council will maintain verges at locations determined to be high priority such as city gateways. Identified locations includes sections of King Georges Road, Princes Highway and Rocky Point Road.
- 3.1.2. Council will undertake limited maintenance at locations where vegetation is causing a nuisance or hazard to motorists, pedestrians or obstructing drains, only after contacting the adjacent resident, strata-manager, business or property owner to request maintenance is undertaken.
- 3.1.3. Locations where residents, strata-managers, business and property owners consistently refuse to maintain the verge area will be serviced at a minimal frequency to ensure the efficient of council resources and safety of motorists and pedestrians.
- 3.1.4. Factors to be considered when determining frequency of servicing by council include proximity to school zones, bus zones and transport nodes.

Responsibilities

Position	Responsibility
Executive Manager City Presentation and Operations	<p>The Executive Manager City Presentation and Operations will be responsible for this Policy / Procedure and will coordinate the following functions in relation to the Policy / Procedure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overarching responsibility for the identification, development, review, management and implementation of this Policy Document in accordance with Council's Policy Framework; • Ensuring the Policy Document is kept up-to-date in accordance with the review period, and any necessary change informed by legislative, strategies or operational changes. • Communicate this policy to Staff, Councillors and the Community. • Adhere to related procedures. • Provide operational guidance to staff enacting this policy.
Coordinator/Head of City Presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adhere to this policy. • Provide operational guidance to staff enacting this policy. • Adhere to related procedures.
Council Officers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adhere to this policy. • To file related documentation into Council's Electronic Document and Records Management System.

Version Control and Change History

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Verge Management Procedure

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Related Documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verge Management Policy Verge Garden Program Guidelines
Appendices	Appendix A – Standard Communication Template
Legislation and References	N/A
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Purpose

This procedure has been established to guide decision-making and the allocation of resources for the maintenance of verges, in alignment with the Georges River Council Verge Management Policy.

Scope

This procedure applies to verges / nature strips adjacent to properties not routinely maintained by council, such parks, bushland areas, council properties and road reserves adjacent to rail corridors.

Definition of Terms

Term	Meaning
City gateways	An entry zone or roads with high traffic volumes, that creates a perception of the city for visitors.
Reactive verge maintenance	Reactive servicing of locations not included on existing schedule, to provide safe access and use of roads and footpaths. Reactive services will include the minimum level of work to resolve safety issues
Scheduled maintenance	Work activities completed on a predetermined frequency to an agreed standard or specification
School zones and high pedestrian movement areas	For this procedure – applies to signposted 40kmph, time-limited school zones adjacent to schools. Sign-posted High Pedestrian Activity Areas.
Verge / nature strip	Verge and nature strip can be used interchangeably. Describes the area between the property boundary and the kerb (or edge of the roadway). This includes front, side and rear nature strips where properties have multiple frontages.
Verge Garden Program	The Verge Garden Program enables residents and business owners to plant and garden in the street verge. Further information can be found via Councils Website Verge Garden Program
Resident/Owner	Resident and/or Property Owner (ratepayer); includes residents of residential properties, strata managers, owners and tenants of commercial properties

Procedure Statement

To encourage residents, strata-managers, business or property owners to undertake maintenance of verges that have been identified as requiring attention, Council's City Presentation division will write to the contact information provided in council's customer information system encouraging the person or organisation to take action to address the issue. The standard text from this is attached at *Appendix A* below.

In instances where the request to undertake maintenance has not been successful, the City Presentation officer will complete a follow up inspection 21 days after the date of correspondence and determine what level of reactive maintenance is appropriate and determine if the location should be included scheduled maintenance in point 1, 2, or 3 below.

Council will undertake maintenance of verges in the following situations –

- Routine maintenance of verges in key locations including city gateways and sign-posted High Pedestrian Activity Areas.
- Locations where residents, strata-managers, business or property owners refuse to complete regular maintenance and vegetation is causing a nuisance or safety hazard.
- Reactive servicing of locations to provide safe access and use of roads and footpaths. Reactive services will include the minimum level of work to resolve safety issues.

1. City Gateways – Scheduled Maintenance

- 1.1 To be completed by Council staff or contractors with appropriate safe work procedures and all necessary approvals to work in or adjacent to the road corridor.
- 1.2 Routine service will be completed monthly in summer and bi-monthly in winter
 - October, November, December, January, February, March
 - May, July, September
- 1.3 Scheduled services will be completed in the first week of the month
- 1.4 Grass will be cut and edged to achieve safe footpaths and accessible footpaths, adequate sightlines for motorists and cyclists.
- 1.5 Herbicide will not be used to maintain grass edges but may be used to treat weeds in paved areas and drains.
- 1.6 The appearance of grass areas following servicing should be neat and litter free. It is not intended to achieve the level of presentation of an ornamental lawn or park.
- 1.7 Hard surfaces including paths and gutters will be blown at the completion of each service, large accumulation of vegetation may need to be removed from sites to avoid entering the drainage network and waterways.

2. School zones and sign-posted High Pedestrian Activity Areas – scheduled maintenance

- 2.1 Verges that are not regularly maintained by adjacent residents, strata- managers, business and property owners in locations identified as School Zones and sign posted High Pedestrian Activity Areas will be serviced no more than six times per year.
 - October, December, February, April, June, August
- 2.2 Grass will be cut and edged to achieve safe footpaths and accessible footpaths, adequate sightlines for motorists and cyclists.
- 2.3 Herbicide will not be used to maintain grass edges but may be used to treat weeds in paved areas and drains
- 2.4 The appearance of grass areas following servicing should be neat and litter free. It is not intended to achieve the level of presentation of an ornamental lawn or park.
- 2.5 Hard surfaces including paths and gutters will be blown at the completion of each service, large accumulation of vegetation may need to be removed from sites to avoid entering the drainage network and waterways.

3. Locations not located in points 1. and 2. above – scheduled maintenance

- 3.1 Verges that are not regularly maintained by adjacent residents, strata- managers, business and property owners in locations identified as School Zones and sign posted High Pedestrian Activity Areas will be serviced no more than four times per year.
 - November, February, May, August
- 3.2 Grass will be cut and edged to achieve safe footpaths and accessible footpaths, adequate sightlines for motorists and cyclists.
- 3.3 Herbicide will not be used to maintain grass edges but may be used to treat weeds in paved areas and drains.
- 3.4 The appearance of grass areas following servicing should be neat and litter free. It is not intended to achieve the level of presentation of an ornamental lawn or park.
- 3.5 Hard surfaces including paths and gutters will be blown at the completion of each service, large accumulation of vegetation may need to be removed from sites to avoid entering the drainage network and waterways.

4. Reactive maintenance

- 4.1 The City Presentation officer will determine what level of reactive maintenance is suitable for the identified location.
- 4.2 The reactive maintenance may include the minimum service where the footpath alignment and kerb edge are treated, or if appropriate grass cutting to the full width and length of the verge.

5. Review of sites on regular verge maintenance schedule

- 5.1 Sites included on regular maintenance schedules will be reviewed annually to identify locations that can be removed from schedules to ensure efficient use of council resources. The occupancy or development of these sites can change over time with new occupants or completed development projects
- 5.2 City Presentation staff will inspect each location and send the standard letter to the nominated address for each site to encourage owners and occupiers to resume maintenance of verges.

This review will be completed in the first quarter of each financial year.

Responsibilities

Position	Responsibility
Executive Manager City Presentation and Operations	The Executive Manager City Presentation and Operations will be responsible for this Procedure and will coordinate the same functions in relation to the Procedures as are outlined in the Verge Management Policy 2026.
Coordinator/Head of City Presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adhere to this policy • Provide operational guidance to staff enacting this policy • Adhere to related procedures

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Appendix A – Standard Communication Template

RE: Overgrown Nature Strip at XXXXX Street, Hurstville

It has been brought to Council's attention that the nature strip at the above address has not been regularly maintained and is causing a nuisance to pedestrians and/or motorists.

The condition of the nature strip impacts the ability for members of the community to safely use the footpath network.

To ensure the most efficient use of Council resources, Georges River Council is not able to maintain all nature strips in the Council area. Council relies on residents, strata-managers, business or property owners to assist by maintaining and caring for these areas near their homes and businesses. Council and the local community appreciate your effort in keeping the nature strip clean and tidy.

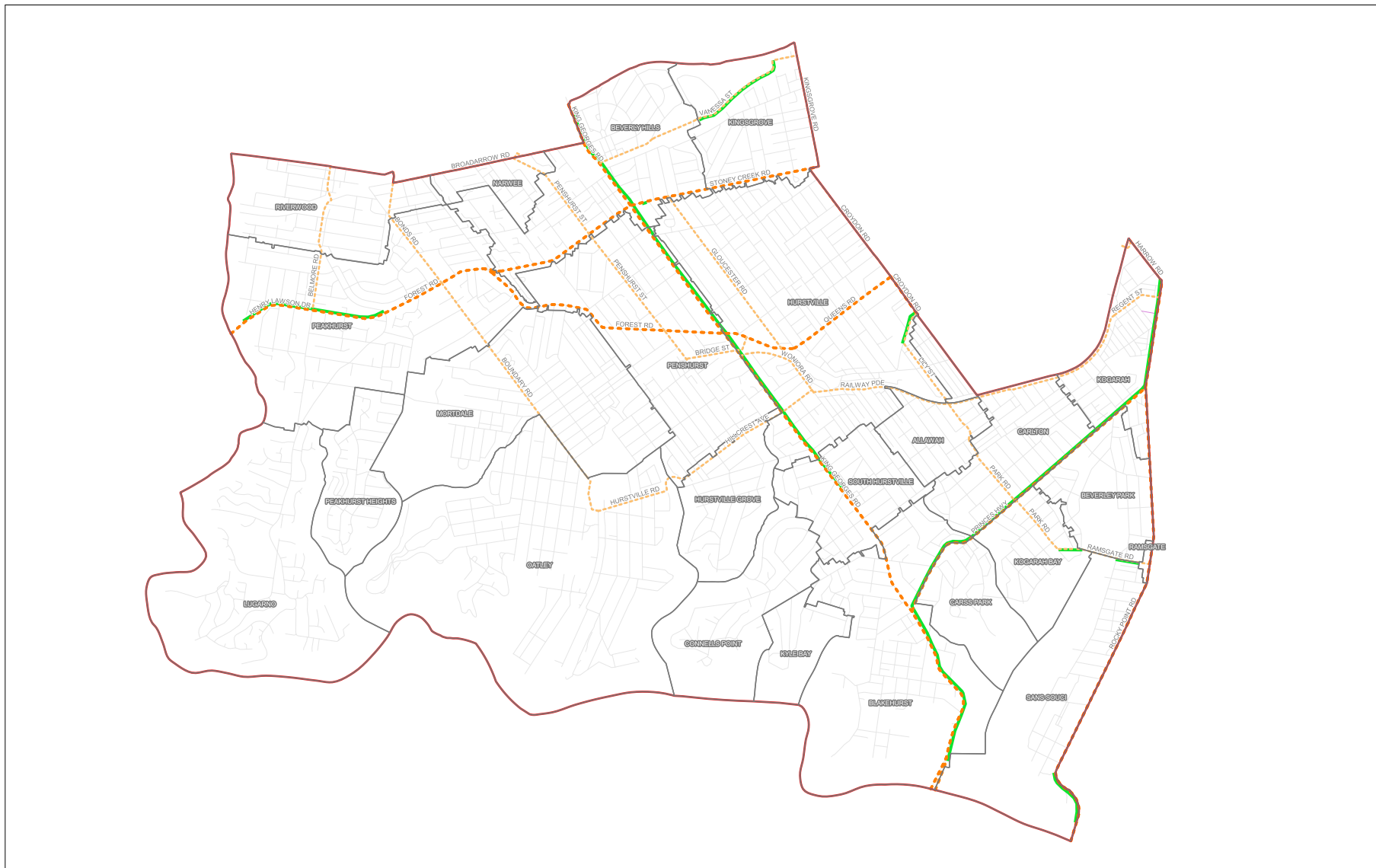
Council requests that you arrange to have the nature strip mowed as soon as possible and maintained on a regular basis.

Should you have any concerns regarding the above matter, please contact me by telephone on 9330 XXXX between 8.00pm & 3.00pm, Monday to Friday or by e-mail at mail@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely,

COUNCIL COMPARISON	
<p>A review of the information available on the websites of the Councils listed below indicates that all those sampled rely on adjacent residents and business owners to maintain verges.</p> <p>Each Council has established varying levels of support for residents with limited capacity to maintain verges.</p>	
Georges River Council	<p>Nature Strip Maintenance and Services for Senior pages on GRC website provides contact information for supporting agencies –</p> <p><i>'It is the responsibility of the property owner/resident to maintain the nature strips directly outside their house. This includes front, side and rear grassed nature strips'.</i></p> <p><i>'Contact details for a number of organisations that provide options for senior residents to assist with basic garden and lawn mowing assistance are provided below. Assistance is subject to eligibility criteria'.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - My Aged Care, - Better Connected Community Services Inc - Uniting Home Maintenance and Modifications - Baptist Care - Life Without Barriers - Southern Cross Care
City of Canterbury Bankstown	<p><u>Eligibility Criteria for Nature Strip Mowing Service</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a permanent resident of the Canterbury-Bankstown LGA and occupy the subject property; • Be receiving or be assessed as eligible to receive services under the Commonwealth Home Support Program or Home Care Packages Program; or • Be the recipient of a Disability Support Pension. <p><i>Applicants must also confirm that no other member of their household is able to mow the nature strip and they do not have a contractor maintaining their own property lawns and/or gardens. They must also notify Council immediately if their circumstances change.</i></p> <p><u>Special Consideration</u> for residents who are ineligible for Nature strip Maintenance Service. Limited to elderly and disabled residents. At the discretion of council</p>
Sutherland Shire Council	<p>Nature strip (verge) mowing</p> <p><i>'If you require information or assistance with maintaining your properties nature strip, we recommend contacting "My Aged Care" (Australian Government) via the following'</i></p>
City of Parramatta Council	<p><i>All street verges not to be maintained by Council under this Policy are requested to be maintained by the owners and/or residents of the adjoining private property.</i></p> <p><i>Where residents appoint a contractor to undertake maintenance of street verges, Council will not contribute towards the cost of this work.</i></p>

	<p><i>Residents in the LGA may be eligible to apply for subsidised lawn services through the Commonwealth Home Support Program via My Aged Care. Information regarding accessing the Community Assist Lawn Mowing service is available on Council's Website, or by contacting Council's Community Care Unit. The Community Assist Lawn Mowing service is subject to eligibility and availability.</i></p> <p>Provides a link to My Aged Care.</p> <p>Council operates Community Assist Lawn Mowing (CALM) that provides financial subsidies to approved, eligible residents to arrange mowing by contractor.</p>
<p>Randwick City Council</p>	<p>Policy statement on website - reliance on residents to maintain nature strips</p> <p><i>'Council may perform maintenance of a nature strip only if the area poses a significant public risk. In this case the work will be carried out once only. After that, it will be the responsibility of the owner adjacent to the nature strip to maintain it themselves.'</i></p>
<p>Liverpool City Council</p>	<p>Policy encourages residents to mow their footpaths and nature strips. Council will undertake mowing following an assessment of the risks to pedestrians and motorists or if detrimental to look of the neighbourhood</p> <p><u>SPECIAL NEEDS GROUPS</u> <i>Council is committed to ensuring an emergency service is available for mowing footpaths and nature strips in front of residential properties where resident/ owners are 65 years or older (65+) and have genuine hardship based on medical evidence.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>a) Provision of a medical certificate from a registered physician which states they are unable to mow their nature strip area due to medical reasons; and</i> <i>b) A Statutory Declaration stating that the applicant does not have the financial capacity to employ a contractor to perform the service; and</i> <i>c) Confirmation that a family member or friend is not able to perform the work</i>



<p>Imagery © Nearmap Ltd</p>	<h2>City Gateway Map</h2>	<h3>Legend</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Verge Mowing [9] STATE REGIONAL LGA Boundary LOCAL 	
<p>04/05/2026</p> <p><small>Disclaimer: This map has been produced with the most current information available to Georges River Council. Boundary information is derived from various sources, including aerial photography and cadastral data. The council does not warrant the accuracy of the information shown on this map. The user acknowledges and agrees to hold the council harmless in respect of any errors or omissions.</small></p>	<p>Scale: 1:22,000</p>		

Item: ASS020-26 Carss Bush Park Playspace Upgrade (Stage 2) - Community Engagement Outcomes and Concept Design

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RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

- (a) Note the outcome of the Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 design community engagement.
- (b) Endorses the concept design for the Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 to proceed to detailed design and construction.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. Following the successful delivery of the Stage 1 playground upgrade in October 2024, Council is now progressing the detailed design for Stage 2 of the playspace upgrade. As the final stage, Stage 2 will build on the achievements of Stage 1 to deliver a cohesive and integrated regional playground.
2. Community engagement on the Preliminary Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 Concept Design (Attachment 1) was held between 3 March and 31 March 2026.
3. Consultation indicated strong support for the final stage of upgrades with a focus on diverse play opportunities and accessibility. Changes to the Preliminary Concept Design based on community feedback includes increased provision of accessible seating, pram parking areas, increased nature-based play features, and improvements to visibility and selection of the Blue-ringed Octopus as the 'hero' play element.
4. This report seeks Council's endorsement of the Draft Carss Bush Park Playspace (Stage 2) Concept Design (Attachment 3) to allow progression to the detailed design phase and subsequent construction works in future financial years.

BACKGROUND

5. Carss Bush Park is a regionally significant open space offering a range of recreational opportunities including passive open space, sports fields, a regional level adventure playspace, tidal baths, remnant bushland and a future aquatic facility.
6. Site use, environmental conditions, equipment degradation and a focus on increasing accessibility within the regionally significant playground resulted in an upgrade of the Carss Bush Park Playground included within the four-year Capital Works Program.
7. To manage the execution of this project and appropriately investigate previous infrastructure failures, the playground upgrade project was broken into two (2) stages. Stage 1 was completed in October 2024 and included:
 - Designated toddlers play area
 - Wheelchair accessible seesaw and slide
 - Large communal swing bay with inclusive and accessible swing options.

8. Council engaged a suitably qualified landscape/playground design consultant in December 2025 to prepare the design package for Stage 2 of the playspace, enabling construction in future years.
9. In alignment with Council's July 2024 Resolution (NM070-24 Carss Bush Park Playground) a review of Stage 1 inclusive play equipment was undertaken, with the incorporation of further inclusive play equipment/infrastructure a focus of the Stage 2 design. The Accessibility Gap Analysis undertaken as part of the design process has been included in this report (Attachment 4).
10. To understand how the proposed design integrated with the Stage 1 upgrades and existing infrastructure, a preliminary concept design was developed. The concept includes:
 - A marine/aquatic themed 'hero' play element
 - Inclusive and accessible features, including a wheelchair accessible swing, non-verbal communication boards, and an accessible flying fox
 - A quiet space/chill out area
 - Nature based play features
 - Reinstallation of the owl sculpture by Takis Kozokos
 - Ancillary infrastructure, including seating, bubblers, and landscaping
11. Council undertook community consultation on the Preliminary Carss Bush Park Stage 2 Playspace Concept Design (Attachment 1) from 3 to 31 March 2026. Engagement activities included a YourSay survey and two (2) on-site pop-up engagement booths, conducted on 21 and 25 March 2026. The survey, supported by 3D renders, concept plans and a children's colouring-in activity, invited feedback on the key components of the proposal, including the preferred hero play element.
12. Community notification of this consultation was carried out through a range of channels, including onsite signage, YourSay website and newsletter, Community E-Newsletter (issued on 13 and 27 March 2026), Leader Newspaper (ad and media coverage), social media posts on Instagram and Facebook, and a media release issued on 12 March 2026.
13. The community engagement for the Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 project achieved strong participation, ranking as Council's highest performing YourSay engagement in March and within the top ten projects on the platform for the current financial year. Over the engagement period, the YourSay project page received 948 visits, with 191 community members providing feedback on the preliminary concept design. All feedback was documented in the Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 Community Engagement Report (Attachment 2) and provided to the design consultants. Table 1 summarises the key engagement themes and Council's response, with design refinements incorporated into the Draft Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 Concept Design (Attachment 3) based on the feedback, where appropriate.
14. The community was also presented with two (2) marine/aquatic themed 'hero' play options to align with the aquatic setting of Carss Bush Park along Kogarah Bay and the broader Georges River. These options were a Fish Amongst Seaweed or a Blue-ringed Octopus.
15. Community feedback on the proposed 'hero' play element highlighted (Table 2) concerns regarding parents' ability to adequately supervise children, particularly in relation to the Blue-ringed Octopus design, with the head element perceived to limit visibility.
16. In response to both internal and external engagement feedback, Council's design consultants were requested to explore alternative scenarios for the hero elements, including modifications to the Fish Amongst Seaweed design to improve maintenance requirements and changes to enhance visibility within the Blue-ringed Octopus play

element. It was identified that visibility for the Blue-ringed Octopus could be improved through a change in panel design; however, due to the extensive use of rope for the structure and no suitable alternatives able to be identified, maintenance requirements remained consistent with the Fish Amongst Seaweed option. Overall, the Blue-ringed Octopus was identified as offering greater play value.

17. Whilst the Fish Amongst Seaweed received 60% of the 291 votes through the YourSay process (online survey (Attachment 2), on-site feedback, and Narani Early Learning Centre voting); the maintenance costs, total play value of the options, and capacity to negate the parental supervision concern with the Blue-ringed Octopus (being the primary driver for many of the Fish Amongst Seaweed votes), has resulted in the proposed Draft Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 Concept Design (Attachment 3) identifying the Blue-ringed Octopus as the 'hero' play element.
18. On endorsement of the Draft Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 Concept Design, the design consultant will progress the detailed design, with construction of Stage 2 proposed to commence in the 2026/27 Financial Year.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

19. No budget impact for this report.
20. The design consultants are progressing the project within the allocated budget of the existing four-year Capital Works Program. As part of the detailed design phase, a Quantity Surveyor will prepare a comprehensive cost estimate to ensure transparency of the final projected costs prior to seeking construction quotations. This process supports compliance with Council's Sustainable Procurement Policy and alignment with the Long-Term Financial Plan.

RISK IMPLICATIONS

21. This project directly supports Strategic Risk 3: Assets and Infrastructure, which highlights the need for community-focused, resilient, and climate-ready infrastructure. By enhancing open space and play infrastructure, the project ensures Council continues to meet evolving community expectations regarding quality, capacity, and long-term resilience in the face of climate impacts.
22. The project also strengthens Council's mitigation of Strategic Risk 12: Business Continuity, as clear project scoping, integrated community engagement, and robust planning processes all contribute to consistent and reliable service delivery, even during unexpected disruptions. These practices help secure continuity of operations and support future community demand by ensuring that assets are well-planned, future-proofed, and aligned with Council's strategic priorities.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

23. Council undertook community engagement on the Preliminary Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 Concept Design (Attachment 1) between 3 and 31 March 2026, using a YourSay survey supported by 3D renders, colouring in activity and concept plans. The survey invited feedback on key design elements, including the preferred hero play element. To promote participation, Council undertook broad community notification through onsite signage, the YourSay platform, e-newsletters, newspaper advertising, social media, pop-up booth and a media release.
24. The Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 Community Engagement Report (Attachment 2) provides the results of the online YourSay activities. Table 1 provides a summary of the feedback themes and Council's responses to these themes.

Feedback	Response
Concerns and opposition to the use of sand as a soft fall material	Sand is not proposed as a soft-fall material in the design. Mulch and sand-coloured rubber soft-fall are proposed to maintain consistency with Stage 1.
Additional shade	Sun and shade analysis was undertaken as part of the design to assess site conditions and seasonal requirements. While no additional shade sails are proposed, new tree planting has been incorporated to enhance natural shade across the playspace. Existing aged shade sails will be replaced.
Use of colours in playspace	Community feedback included requests for both brighter colours and more natural tones. The proposed colour palette complements Stage 1 works, with natural landscaping and sandstone elements continued throughout the site. To reduce perceptions of overly busy or bright finishes, rubber soft fall motifs have been removed in favour of simpler block colouring.
Inclusion of accessible features such as non-verbal boards or braille signs	Building on the key accessibility outcomes delivered in Stage 1, the Stage 2 design further enhances inclusivity through the provision of an accessible flying fox, non-verbal and Braille communication boards, a wheelchair accessible swing, an inclusive spinner, and a range of accessible play boards.
Kids bike track around the playspace with traffic signals	Council acknowledges community interest in bike riding opportunities, which are available at other, more suitable playspaces within the local area. Carss Bush Park is a highly utilised destination, and the playspace is intersected by shared pathways that form part of the broader Carss Bush Park and Todd Park path network. Given the high levels of pedestrian use and the interconnected nature of these paths, the immediate playground site is not considered suitable for a dedicated children's bike track.
Requests for water play elements	Water play elements are not proposed as part of the playspace design. The playspace is well integrated within the broader Carss Bush Park setting, which offers direct connectivity to a range of complementary recreational experiences. This includes the fully netted tidal baths and sandy foreshore, which provide a high-quality natural water play opportunity within the park and are accessible to families as part of the overall park experience.

Fencing and gates around entire playground	An enclosed toddler play area was delivered as part of Stage 1. Carss Bush Park is highly valued for the way the playspace integrates seamlessly with surrounding open lawn areas, bushland and nearby amenities, including public toilets. This open and connected layout has been intentionally retained, with Council continuing to encourage active supervision of children at all times.
Inclusion of more seating including those for increased accessibility with back and arm rests	The proposed design incorporates a range of integrated seating options, including bench seating and seats with arm and back rests. During detailed design development, Council will investigate opportunities to provide adjoining spaces to support further inclusivity.
Pram parking	Council will investigate opportunities to provide pram parking bays, particularly adjacent to seating, to keep accessways clear and support parent and carer use of the space.
Calming and sensory friendly spaces	The proposed design incorporates a dedicated 'chill-out' space within the broader playspace. Located in a natural setting with enhanced planting, the area is designed to be inclusive of all ages and offers a quiet, restorative space for rest, regulation or respite.
All weather synthetic turf play area	While Council acknowledges community interest in an all-weather playspace, the provision of a covered synthetic turf play area is outside the scope of works for this project.
More interactive, multipurpose spaces	In addition to structured play elements, the proposed design incorporates a range of nature-based play features to support interactive and imaginative play.
Upgrades to the cycle path between Todd Park and Carss Park	Upgrades to the cycle path is outside the scope of works for this project. The Carss Bush Park and Todd Park Master Plan (adopted at the April 2026 Council Meeting – ENV016-26) identifies improvements to the shared path network within Carss Bush Park.
More swings including adult size swing.	Stage 1 delivered nine swings, each designed to cater to different user groups, including several swings suitable for adult use. Stage 2 proposes the addition of a wheelchair-accessible swing, completing the range of swing experiences available on site and further enhancing inclusivity within the playspace.

25. The community was also presented with two marine/aquatic themed 'hero' play options to align with the aquatic setting of Carss Bush Park along Kogarah Bay and the broader Georges River. These options were a fish amongst seaweed or a Blue-ringed Octopus. Community members were provided an opportunity to provide feedback on the 'hero' options via the online survey, at the pop-up booth or through a colouring in activity.
26. A total of 291 responses associated with the 'hero' play element were received through the engagement process. Voting trends indicated a preference towards the Fish Amongst

Seaweed concept; however, additional feedback and design considerations outlined in Table 2 were also noted and provided to the design consultant.

Play Element	Feedback
Fish Amongst Seaweed	Feedback received was generally positive, with respondents praising the appearance of the fish and seaweed elements. A key factor influencing preference for this item was the perceived openness of the design, which was considered to improve passive surveillance and visibility of children while playing, as well as allowing children to spread out across the play structure. Respondents noted that the design was particularly well suited to older children, acknowledging that the toddler play area was delivered as part of Stage 1 of the project. Some concerns were raised regarding the perceived safety of gaps and open sections for younger children. The inclusion of two slides was also identified as a contributing factor to its preference.
Blue-ringed Octopus	Respondents who preferred the octopus design noted that it was a memorable and visually striking play element. A further benefit identified was its ability to function as a central hub within the playground, which is otherwise relatively spread out. Respondents who voted for the fish design indicated that their preference was primarily due to its transparency; however, many noted they would find the octopus design acceptable if elements was more transparent. Overall, respondents felt the design offered opportunities for a range of play activities, including hide-and-seek, climbing and imaginative play.

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27. A theme of the community feedback on the 'hero' play element was the capacity for parents to effectively supervise children in the element. The head of the Blue-ringed Octopus was perceived to be an issue for supervision, influencing the voting preference.
28. Internal consultation was undertaken concurrently with the external consultation period and included key stakeholders from the maintenance and asset management teams. Feedback received through this process identified significant maintenance concerns, particularly regarding the extent of rope elements proposed within the Fish Amongst Seaweed design. Given the popularity and high usage of the site, play elements that do not withstand intensive use or are difficult to repair may increase the risk of partial playground closure, which could result in community dissatisfaction.
29. Feedback from the internal and external consultation was provided to the design consultants, with investigations on play element changes and improvements undertaken. Where appropriate, within project scope, and in alignment with design intent, feedback has been integrated into the final Draft Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 Concept Design (Attachment 3).
30. On endorsement of the Draft Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 Concept Design, the YourSay project page will be updated with the Final Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 Concept Design, closing the feedback loop on the Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 design community engagement process.

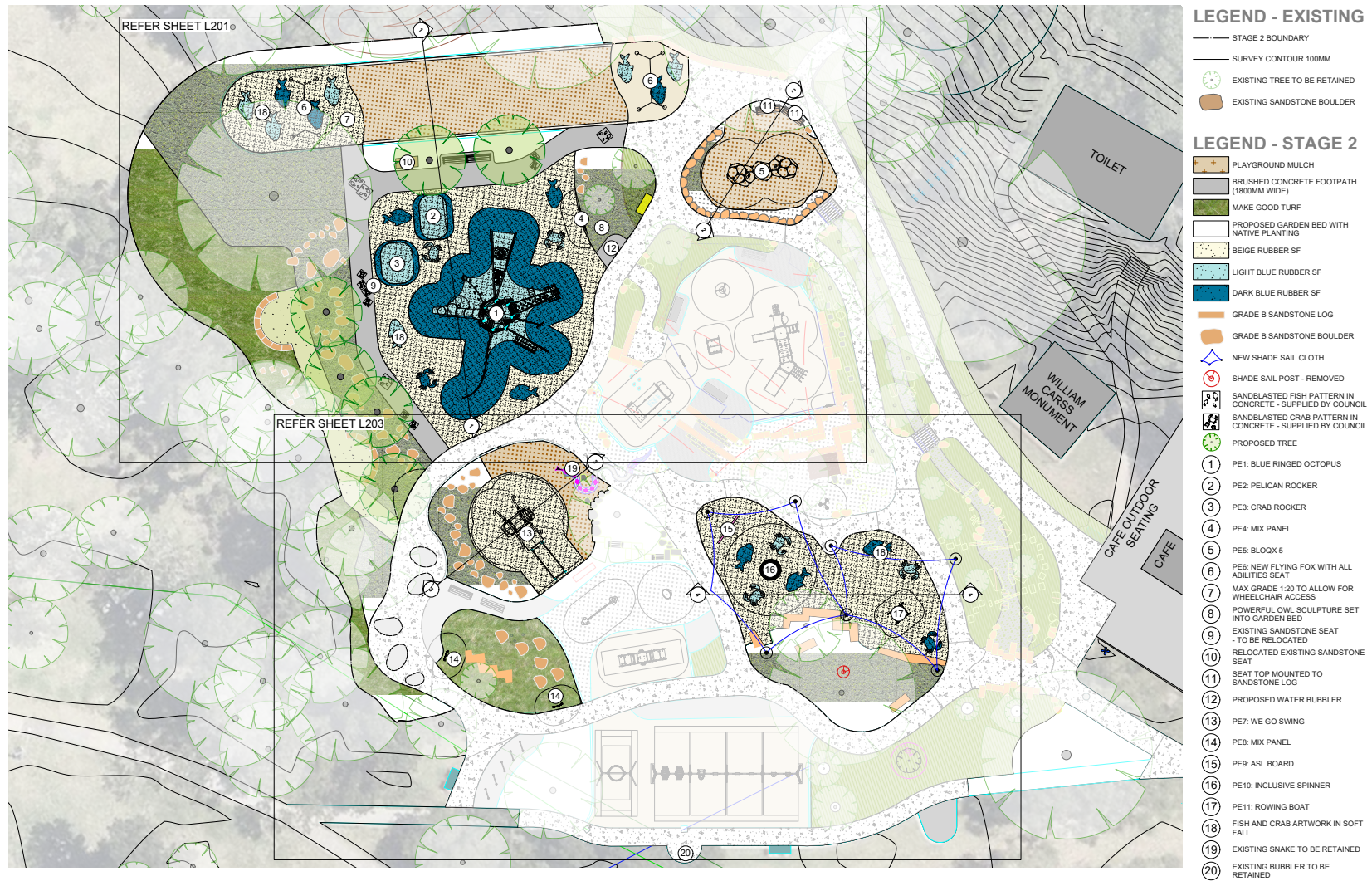
31. Community notification will be undertaken prior to the commencement of construction, in alignment with City Technical Services' internal Community Engagement Guideline for project delivery. Updates on the progress of the project will also be provided on Council's Project webpage.

FILE REFERENCE

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ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment [↓](#)1 Preliminary Carss Bush Park Stage 2 Playspace Concept Design
Attachment [↓](#)2 Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 Community Engagement Report
Attachment [↓](#)3 Draft Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 Concept Design
Attachment [↓](#)4 Accessibility Gap Analysis Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2





CARSS BUSH PARK PLAYGROUND UPGRADE - STAGE 2



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FISH AMONGST SEAWEED

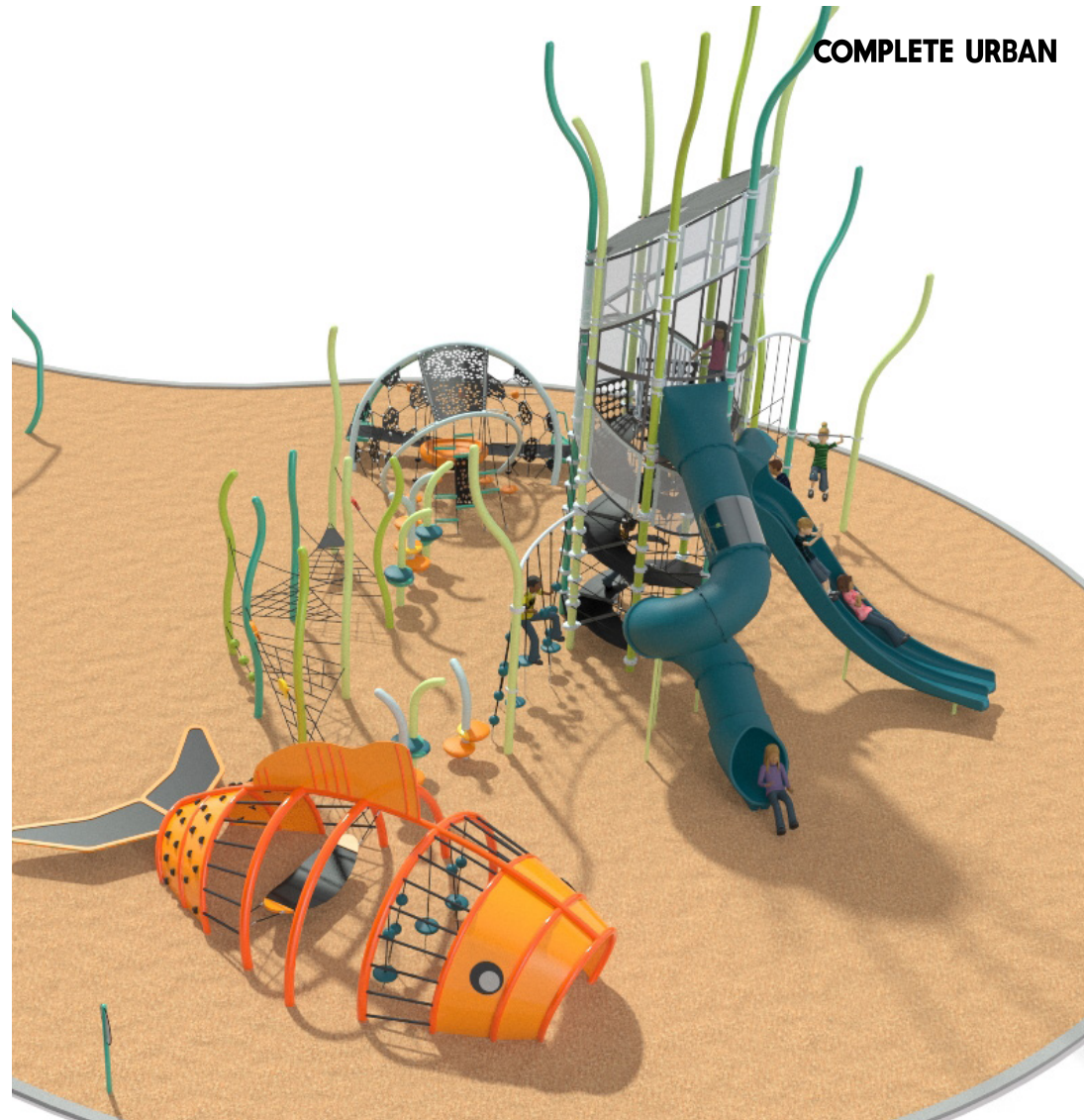
Option B provides a broader variety of climbing routes, nets, pods, and accessible play events, delivering more distributed play opportunities and a slightly more balanced mix across age groups. It excels in play diversity, continuous movement, and high-capacity flow across multiple structures.



PLAY EXPERIENCES IN THIS PIECE

Over 41 distinct play events have been identified, listed below are some of the following

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| <p>1. Movement & Climbing
Strength • Elevation • Challenge</p> <p>2. Sliding Experiences
Speed • Flow • Excitement</p> <p>3. Balance & Coordination
Agility • Precision • Focus</p> <p>4. Swinging Activities
Rhythm • Motion • Freedom</p> <p>5. Crawl & Enclosure Play
Crawl • Hide • Explore</p> | <p>6. Social & Rest Zones
Gather • Pause • Imagine</p> <p>7. Multi-Route Navigation
Choice • Flow • Freedom</p> <p>8. Marine-Themed Imagination
Story • Ocean • Adventure</p> <p>9. Mixed-Age Inclusion
Access • Variety • Together</p> <p>10. Spatial Problem-Solving
Plan • Navigate • Think</p> |
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CARSS BUSH PARK PLAYGROUND UPGRADE - STAGE 2 (OPTION B)

BLUE RINGED OCTOPUS

Option A offers a high level of iconic sculptural impact and immersive thematic play, with its sweeping tentacle routes, tall customised tower, and dramatic character driven identity. It excels in imaginative play, creative storytelling, and high vertical challenge, making it the stronger choice for a signature destination feature.



PLAY EXPERIENCES IN THIS PIECE

Over 44 distinct play events have been identified, listed below are some of the following

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| <p>1. Vertical Climbing
Strength • Height • Courage</p> <p>2. Tentacle Exploration Trails
Journey • Discovery • Adventure</p> <p>3. Big-Ticket Sliding Thrills
Speed • Descent • Excitement</p> <p>4. Pod Balance Challenges
Balance • Agility • Precision</p> <p>5. Net Climbing Navigation
Grip • Coordination • Movement</p> | <p>6. Social Swinging Motion
Together • Rhythm • Motion</p> <p>7. Tunnels & Hideaways
Crawl • Enclosure • Mystery</p> <p>8. Tower Lookouts & Platforms
View • Gathering • Pause</p> <p>9. Ocean-Themed Imagination
Story • Creativity • Fantasy</p> <p>10. Inclusive Multi-Age Play
Access • Variety • Inclusion</p> |
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CARSS BUSH PARK PLAYGROUND UPGRADE - STAGE 2 (OPTION A)

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SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT

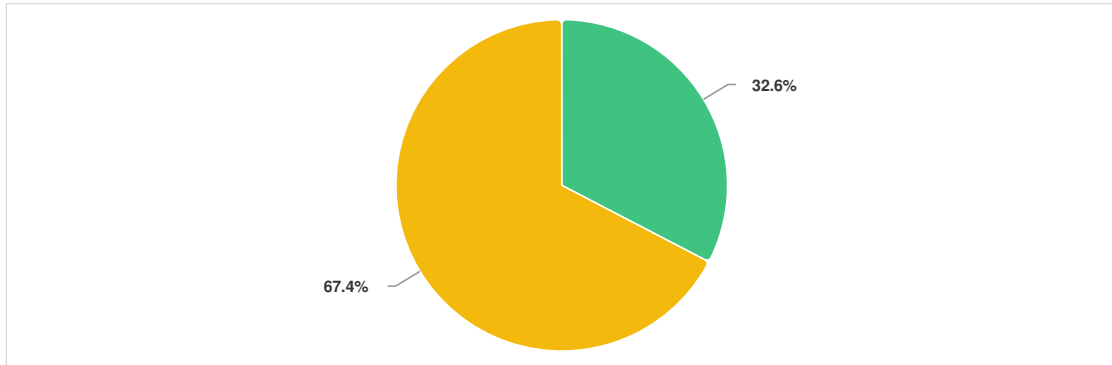
13 March 2018 - 06 April 2026

PROJECT NAME:

Carss Bush Park Playspace Upgrade Stage 2

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Q1. Which option do you prefer?



Question options	responses	%
● Blue Ring Octopus	62	32.6
● Fish Amongst Seaweed	128	67.4

Optional question · 190 responses · 2 skipped
Question type : Radio Button Question

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Q2. Why did you choose this option?

Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 09:42 AM	Looks nicer.
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 09:43 AM	I would prefer this option as it appears to have a larger play space than Option A. I just think the kids would prefer this option as it would embark and allow their imaginery play to run wild.
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 09:52 AM	Both are terrible but the fish is more usable for all ages.please try and use more natural materials and multi function equipment.
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 10:03 AM	I prefer the 'Fish Amongst Seaweed' design. The open structure makes it much easier for parents to keep an eye on the kids, and it seems to offer more interactive play features than the alternative.
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 10:41 AM	More physical room for kids to spread out and play
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 11:04 AM	It looks spectacular! it looks so realistic and reflects the beauty of the australian sea life.
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 11:48 AM	More appealing
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 12:54 PM	2 slides
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 01:17 PM	Look like better play value
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 01:18 PM	It will look great.
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 06:21 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 07:22 AM	More activities for children to play. More open on the top so parents have more visibility of their children on where they are or if they need help as apose to the other design where it is covered. Wouldn't be able to see or hear the children if they need help or kids are fighting up there.
	More climbing options and spaced out so children are not bundled together with parents beside one other.
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 07:35 AM	More areas to play in... more inclusive age groups.
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 07:59 AM	It is the least ugliest
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 08:02 AM	It is a lot more appealing to me and i like the design more
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 08:11 AM	Is a little wider meaning kids won't be allowed clumped in one spot..
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 10:38 AM	Having been to several playgrounds - I feel the layout of the fish option allows more kids to be involved.

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Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 10:43 AM	Suits more ages
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 12:48 PM	Looks much more inviting, like how its spread out so children that need a little bit of space from others/noise can still get involved
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 01:41 PM	More inclusive play areas, wider range and versatility of the equipment
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 02:09 PM	Kids can be spread out with the different play equipments
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 02:59 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 03:01 PM	Love the different things you ca do in it
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 03:54 PM	Because it has a big slide
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 03:54 PM	It looks more interesting, engaging and inclusive
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 06:25 PM	Something for all ages.
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 09:26 PM	Separated areas for children to have more space to play without getting in each others way.
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 10:36 PM	A lot of fun options and attractive colour. The theme is also more obvious (kids can immediately identify it is an octopus)
Screen Name Redacted 3/11/2026 08:32 AM	Better suited to my children and sounds like it offers play opportunities to a broader range of children and abilities
Screen Name Redacted 3/11/2026 02:37 PM	It seems the each equipment has spaces around for the kids to play and explore. It is more appealing to my kids!
Screen Name Redacted 3/11/2026 04:03 PM	I think the octopus is a better range of challenges and activities. It has a range of things for different ages. The seaweed with the big slides reminds me of oatley Park.
Screen Name Redacted 3/11/2026 07:50 PM	More slides and seems like there's more things to do
Screen Name Redacted 3/12/2026 12:15 PM	Seems more inclusive to younger children (1-2 age range).
Screen Name Redacted 3/12/2026 08:10 PM	It looks great
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 07:01 AM	This looks more impressive for older kids, while there looks like much less my younger kids could play on for now.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 10:32 AM	More spaced out, nice colours
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:17 AM	More play options
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:19 AM	Carr's park stage 1 already has lots of new equipment for younger kids. The older kids need something more challanging and open ended play opportunities and I think this piece has that

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Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:28 AM	More engaging.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:29 AM	More play options for a range of ages
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:38 AM	More options and diversity
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:39 AM	The two slide design is appealing for both younger and older children
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:40 AM	More unique
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:41 AM	More variety for children to play
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:49 AM	Has more options for all age groups and more floor play options.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:50 AM	This looks like it would better suit more age grounds. Natural material on the ground. More opportunities for risky play.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 12:04 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 12:06 PM	Prefer a rubber soft fall ground covering rather than sand, which is terrible for younger children and toddlers, and I risk in terms of hidden rubbish, glass, or even needles. Kids loving having a place to be inside of, octopus head is great for that.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 12:15 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 12:18 PM	Looks better and more appealing to kids
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 12:23 PM	Lots of different zones for different age groups and more visibility of children. More appealing to lots of ages and more interesting
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 12:27 PM	Because of the slide, arm swinging and climbing.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 12:34 PM	Blue ring octopus is a Queensland concern not a NSW one. Thanks
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 12:52 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 01:15 PM	It it felt a bit more spread out although I love the design of the octopus
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 01:28 PM	It has an open slide which is more suited to younger kids and then a slide covered also Also I feel this one appears more suited to all age groups
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 01:33 PM	This playspace is more suitable for children of all ages. I have a two year old and it's been a challenge to find playspaces that are age appropriate, so this design is another one to add to our small list of parks we're able to visit with our toddler.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 01:37 PM	2 slides = more fun for the kids Also the actual play space is more spread out to allow for more children to play
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 01:52 PM	Separate structures

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Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 01:54 PM	A design is nicer but would be better if it had the 3 slides like design 2
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 01:56 PM	More options for younger toddlers, the other design seems too big and overwhelming for smaller kids.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 02:07 PM	As a toddler mum the fish amongst seaweed will be good for young kids too
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 02:14 PM	More open slide and greater visibility for parental supervision
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 02:27 PM	The yellow in option A is a bit of an eye sore, prefer to colours and the concept in Option B.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 02:28 PM	I asked my kid to choose and the kid chose this one. Personally, I think the fish and seaweed playarea can also cater smaller kids.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:05 PM	I think the octopus looks awesome. If I were a kid I would want to play on it. Plus less sand. There's already sand at the other play area in Carss Park.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:11 PM	More variety and more spread apart
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:11 PM	Don't think it's appropriate to make the blue ringed octopus appealing to children - they might want to play with a real one they see at the beach. Also Option B looks great, and seems to have lots of varied play zones instead of one central area (more spread out / easy for shared play)
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:23 PM	It is big it is tall it is grand!
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:29 PM	It looks like it will work better In the environment and looks more appealing to children
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:29 PM	The design is way cooler
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:34 PM	It looks cooler! More creative and more different—but honestly both would be great
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:40 PM	Cool octopus design, also an opportunity to educate on dangers of these venomous creatures.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:51 PM	The fish comes with more obstacles
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:56 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 04:10 PM	No sand ground. The integration of the colours and design to look like an octopus is great
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 04:17 PM	The visibility at the top - you can see exactly what kids are doing at the top of the seaweed but you cannot properly see into the top of the blue-ringed octopus. Having multiple children, visibility is so important for safety. Both have great features but the fish one has much better visibility at the top, where it can be harder for parents to get to.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 04:33 PM	Very unique! Never seen this design before

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Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 04:36 PM	I think it is more dynamic and open
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 04:57 PM	Fish option is more dispersed and diverse. Spreads out play instead of Octopus which is concentrating all in one spot and kids can get in each others way.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:01 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:14 PM	There's more things on the lower ground for a toddler to play with.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:26 PM	Broader, more inclusive for toddlers. A variety of different ways to play and more spread out space for kids to play.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:38 PM	The fish seems more suitable for a wider range of age groups.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:40 PM	Eye catching.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:46 PM	.Ore activity's for older children not just for infants as the current playground is suited for younger children
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 06:29 PM	More slides and climbing
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 07:08 PM	I like how theres 2 sections to this playground
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 07:17 PM	More options, I also asked my 6 and 5 year old boys and they liked it. I feel it's good for a wider age range
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 07:35 PM	Looks better for more ages
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 08:09 PM	More diverse play types for all ages
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 08:09 PM	More slides and suitable for all ages. I would've chosen the octopus if it had another slide attached to it, but it only has the one
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 08:45 PM	I think it looks more appealing for my 6 year old. Looks more "adventurous". All open so can see my child at all times. The other option looks like it's closed at the top.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 08:53 PM	More options for young and old
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 08:54 PM	More options for both younger and older kids
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 08:55 PM	Variety of play equipment and spaced out, better use of space.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 09:01 PM	More open plan
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 09:03 PM	Love the look of it
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 09:14 PM	The first one doesn't seem younger kids friendly (under 4s). The second option allows for younger kids to have a little more accessible play space
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 09:22 PM	More variety and good for diff ages

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Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 09:41 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:15 PM	I like that is more spread out. Kids can play on different things. I like the orange fish, more recognisable that its a sea theme.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:22 PM	More broader range of features for all ages
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:24 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 12:34 AM	It looks great on the eye, very unique. I love that the fish option has more things which is disappointing that it isn't spread out evenly. I was put off by the fish with what looks like a giant sandpit.
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 05:05 AM	More accessible for a wider range of age groups
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 06:24 AM	Easier to see child playing, looks like a safer more inclusive option
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 06:35 AM	It looks cool
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 06:37 AM	I like octopus, and the way it's sculpted looks really nice.
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 06:38 AM	The rest of the playground is great and seems spaced out kind of like option b. It'll be nice to have one more central playground piece like Option A is
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 07:24 AM	I asked my kids and they like it better! It is a good start but I think can be improved a fair bit to reach the standard of other parks, refer Charles Heath Reserve or Livvis Place both in Five Dock.
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:03 AM	More slide options. More options for younger and older kids
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:03 AM	Looks more interesting
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:08 AM	It has better slides and features that I think my 3 & 5yr old would prefer
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:09 AM	More activities and better spread of play
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:18 AM	Slide and climbing part looks great!
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:20 AM	Suitable for all age groups and suitable for children who can do all or children who can't do high climbing. It's important to cater for kids with mobility difficulties and this looks suitable
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:55 AM	It is versatile for different age groups
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 09:11 AM	Feels more accessible to more age groups
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 09:16 AM	The continuity of the design

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Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 10:46 AM	More play options for both young and bigger kida
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 03:31 PM	The broader playing space and options for different age groups. There are a lot of children that play in this space and it is better to diversify and open the play area.
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 03:56 PM	There seems to be a few more options in this playground which will be able to cater to a greater number of children at one time. Seems like it's more varied also to suit different ages and abilities.
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 06:54 PM	My 8 and 12 year old boys chose fish amongst seaweed as it had more slides
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 06:58 PM	More play activities
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 07:27 PM	Looks easier for children to get to the slide
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:03 PM	Looks like it caters to young and older kids more than option A does.
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:04 PM	More play options Looks more integrated with the landscape
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:33 PM	Better choice for a kids of varying ages. Also, more spread out so not as cramped. Bigger kids less likely to accidentally trample on little ones
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 10:20 PM	Looks like more play options
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 11:36 PM	Suitable for children of different ages. Spread out reducing cluster of children. More interactive.
Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2026 12:42 AM	More striking and iconic at first sight
Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2026 06:49 AM	I like that it has zones for the kids to break out into.
Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2026 09:22 AM	My 7 year old refers it as he likes how there is a slide and seaweed and it looks bigger
Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2026 10:30 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2026 11:03 AM	Height
Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2026 11:25 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2026 12:21 PM	More activities to do and more kids can join at the same time, I think it would be good to get something a bit more for 5+ as little ones already have their space to play. Big kid will have a lot of fun
Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2026 02:02 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2026 02:23 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2026 04:03 PM	More slides. More spread out.

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Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2026 07:06 PM	Bigger area distribution so it does not get crowded both big kids and little kids
Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2026 08:09 PM	More challenging obstical in the Blue Ring Octopus. Parents may not like the idea of sand in the Fish Amongst Seaweed.
Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2026 10:09 PM	Looks more fun
Screen Name Redacted 3/16/2026 12:20 AM	Looks cooler, bigger wow factor
Screen Name Redacted 3/16/2026 01:11 AM	More options
Screen Name Redacted 3/16/2026 07:07 AM	There's more variety
Screen Name Redacted 3/16/2026 08:45 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/16/2026 08:48 AM	More space for larger groups of children and diversity of activities
Screen Name Redacted 3/16/2026 06:06 PM	Looks like fun for the children
Screen Name Redacted 3/16/2026 09:58 PM	Seems like more variety of activities.
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 01:42 AM	2 slides.
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 06:50 AM	Looked better for smaller children
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 11:31 AM	Suitable for younger and older kids.
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 12:55 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 08:57 PM	There is a greater range of equipment and it looks like a design that will appeal to both younger and older children.
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 09:04 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 09:50 PM	More practical for children of all ages, the option of multiple slides is great and less intimidating for children who like to ease into play
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 10:31 PM	Colours and spread out more
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 10:35 PM	Balance play space for a mix of age groups
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 11:08 PM	It provides more options to a wider age group. We like the orange colour also, which reminds us of harmony day.
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 11:45 PM	Octoous look like something, i can't see any fish clearly, maybe a big fish instead? But I can see the octopus has slightly less features to play with.
Screen Name Redacted 3/18/2026 02:15 PM	More inclusive for different ages

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Screen Name Redacted 3/18/2026 02:34 PM	More accessible and wider age group
Screen Name Redacted 3/18/2026 02:48 PM	Looks appealing
Screen Name Redacted 3/18/2026 06:39 PM	Better suited for more age groups
Screen Name Redacted 3/18/2026 07:37 PM	No sand
Screen Name Redacted 3/19/2026 08:08 AM	More challenging for bigger kids
Screen Name Redacted 3/19/2026 05:17 PM	Color is more catching and looks more exiting and fun
Screen Name Redacted 3/19/2026 05:19 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/19/2026 07:46 PM	It has more spaces to play and easier to find the kids
Screen Name Redacted 3/20/2026 04:19 PM	I like the ocean theme, and separate play areas which would make the space less crowded during high usage.
Screen Name Redacted 3/20/2026 04:55 PM	I think the octopus design is more virtually striking and looks more inviting.
Screen Name Redacted 3/20/2026 10:14 PM	Neither option, both are hideous.
Screen Name Redacted 3/21/2026 12:30 PM	The three facilities are separate, hence kids don't have to be concentrated in one section.
Screen Name Redacted 3/21/2026 01:53 PM	Looks cool
Screen Name Redacted 3/21/2026 03:45 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/23/2026 10:12 AM	I love the idea of mixed aga options that finish in the sea provides
Screen Name Redacted 3/23/2026 05:09 PM	This feels more spread out with more options for the kids - and fewer metal parts which would be less heat absorbing.
Screen Name Redacted 3/23/2026 05:57 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/23/2026 09:39 PM	Design & colours Softer than the octopus
Screen Name Redacted 3/24/2026 10:37 AM	Two slides
Screen Name Redacted 3/24/2026 04:22 PM	I love the design
Screen Name Redacted 3/24/2026 08:08 PM	I think it would appeal to older children more because of its more challenging aspects of structures
Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 03:37 PM	Like the colours. Blue ring octopus can be dangerous- sting.

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Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 03:48 PM	More imaginative
Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 03:59 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 04:06 PM	More space, so, more children can play at the same time.
Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 06:37 PM	(From my child) I love the octopus. I want to climb all the legs
Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 08:58 PM	The sense of space provided over what seems like a larger area. The curved poles give a sense of seaweed in water. The provision of tunnel and open slides is a good idea. The design is also aesthetically very pleasing. Good variety of physical opportunities.
Screen Name Redacted 3/27/2026 01:47 PM	The Blue-ringed Octopus design was selected through voting process with our preschool children at Goodstart Hurstville Millett St. the Preschoolers were particularly drawn to the idea of the Octopus structure and the opportunities it offers to hide, climb and pretend play.
Screen Name Redacted 3/28/2026 10:44 PM	

Optional question · 171 responses · 21 skipped

Question type : Essay Question

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Q3. Are there particular colours or colour schemes you would like to see?

Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 09:42 AM	No
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 09:43 AM	Yes, brighter colours would be better for a child to have them more engaged and excited to play on the equipment.
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 09:52 AM	Natural materials and less plastic
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 10:03 AM	I love it when playgrounds are bright cheerful colours
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 10:41 AM	Introduce yellow - to mimic sand
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 11:04 AM	I like the blue and yellows of the octopus its bright and vibrant and grabs your attention.
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 11:48 AM	More natural these colours are too bright
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 12:54 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 01:17 PM	No
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 01:18 PM	I like the blue and yellow.
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 06:21 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 07:22 AM	Rainbow colours as my daughter is drawn to all things rainbow.
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 07:35 AM	Yellow and blue to match the sea and sand
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 07:59 AM	N/a
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 08:02 AM	Something floral
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 08:11 AM	No
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 10:38 AM	Vibrant but no care for colour.
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 10:43 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 12:48 PM	No preference
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 01:41 PM	I think the colours used in the mock up are appropriate and appealing
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 02:09 PM	Bright colours

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Screen Name Redacted	
3/10/2026 02:59 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Yellow blue green
3/10/2026 03:01 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Yellow
3/10/2026 03:54 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	I think the green blue and orange selected are good, not too bright and I ver stimulating
3/10/2026 03:54 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Aqua blue, emerald green, baby purple
3/10/2026 06:25 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Natural colour schemes to blend into the environment
3/10/2026 09:26 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Yellow and blue is a nice combo!
3/10/2026 10:36 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Blues and yellows are nicd
3/11/2026 08:32 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	Purple, teal
3/11/2026 02:37 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Love the display picture colours
3/11/2026 04:03 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/11/2026 07:50 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Aren't blue ringed octopuses supposed to be blue/purple lol
3/12/2026 12:15 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Perfect in yellow and blue
3/12/2026 08:10 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/13/2026 07:01 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/13/2026 10:32 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	Undersea schemes
3/13/2026 11:17 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	Love the bright yellow
3/13/2026 11:19 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	Calming and sensory friendly colours for special needs children.
3/13/2026 11:28 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	No
3/13/2026 11:29 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	The colours of the fish amongst the seaweed suit a lot more
3/13/2026 11:38 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	Teal, green, blue
3/13/2026 11:39 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/13/2026 11:40 AM	

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Screen Name Redacted	
3/13/2026 11:41 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/13/2026 11:49 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	The colours look great.
3/13/2026 11:50 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/13/2026 12:04 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Bright colours as is looks great. Keep away from darker colours especially for slides, which absorb more heat.
3/13/2026 12:06 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/13/2026 12:15 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Bright colours
3/13/2026 12:18 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Blues and greens and yellows are calming colours and look great together
3/13/2026 12:23 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Love the blue/green and orange colours.
3/13/2026 12:27 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Greens
3/13/2026 12:34 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/13/2026 12:52 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Bojr/green
3/13/2026 01:15 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Natural theme / sea theme
3/13/2026 01:28 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Green, blue and purple as these represent the colours of the ocean and adding a pure fish would make this stand out amongst the trees and sand.
3/13/2026 01:33 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	No
3/13/2026 01:37 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	No
3/13/2026 01:52 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	The ones in the picture look good
3/13/2026 01:54 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Colours are great as they are
3/13/2026 01:56 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	No
3/13/2026 02:07 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	I like blue, green, orange - colors that reflect the nature in Carss Park
3/13/2026 02:14 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Not yellow!
3/13/2026 02:27 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/13/2026 02:28 PM	

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Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:05 PM	The design looks great
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:11 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:11 PM	The colour schemes in the designs are great!
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:23 PM	Orange and blue
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:29 PM	I love the blue/green colour scheme
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:29 PM	A bit more blue maybe
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:34 PM	The yellow & blue works thematically in the model, but will this be next to the sandy bit? assuming this will just be over soft fall rubber
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:40 PM	No
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:51 PM	No
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:56 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 04:10 PM	No, I think it's great
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 04:17 PM	Something nice on the eyes and that won't heat up too much in the sun. E.g. light blues, yellows, pale greens, sweet colours that wont absorb as much heat as their darker companions
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 04:33 PM	It's good to go!
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 04:36 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 04:57 PM	Something that doesn't get too dirty and old looking over time!!
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:01 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:14 PM	Not necessarily
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:26 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:38 PM	No
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:40 PM	No
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:46 PM	Orange and blue

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Screen Name Redacted	
3/13/2026 06:29 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Colours to make it more vibrant
3/13/2026 07:08 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	The blues remind me of the beach which is fitting
3/13/2026 07:17 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	No
3/13/2026 07:35 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Unisex colour scheme
3/13/2026 08:09 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Greens, blues and orange to blend with the natural surroundings.
3/13/2026 08:09 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Like what you've shared
3/13/2026 08:45 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Beach theme
3/13/2026 08:53 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Bright
3/13/2026 08:54 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	No I like the colour scheme chosen
3/13/2026 08:55 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Purple green
3/13/2026 09:01 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	No
3/13/2026 09:03 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/13/2026 09:14 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/13/2026 09:22 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/13/2026 09:41 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Bright colours
3/13/2026 11:15 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/13/2026 11:22 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/13/2026 11:24 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/14/2026 12:34 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	-
3/14/2026 05:05 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	I like the ones currently on design 2
3/14/2026 06:24 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	Nil
3/14/2026 06:35 AM	

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Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 06:37 AM	I love the blue ringed octopus colour theme. It's educational and pops.
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 06:38 AM	N/A I like what is presented. The predominately yellow is nice
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 07:24 AM	I like the yellow one
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:03 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:03 AM	More blue
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:08 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:09 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:18 AM	I like the yellow
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:20 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:55 AM	Not particularly
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 09:11 AM	Something fitting with the bush/water surroundings
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 09:16 AM	Marine colours
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 10:46 AM	Blue
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 03:31 PM	Brighter and More rainbow like. Multi Colour like a coral oceanscape
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 03:56 PM	I actually prefer the nice bright colours of the Blue Ring Octopus option. The Fish Amongst Seaweed colours are a little bit dull and boring in the context of a kids playground.
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 06:54 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 06:58 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 07:27 PM	No
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:03 PM	Orange, lime green, aqua
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:04 PM	Blue and green
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:33 PM	No

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Screen Name Redacted	No
3/14/2026 10:20 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	The colours in the picture looks nice
3/14/2026 11:36 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Pattern should replicate a blue-ringed octopus, with the blue rings being prominent
3/15/2026 12:42 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/15/2026 06:49 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	The colours in the pic
3/15/2026 09:22 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/15/2026 10:30 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/15/2026 11:03 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/15/2026 11:25 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/15/2026 12:21 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/15/2026 02:02 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/15/2026 02:23 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/15/2026 04:03 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Colours in the picture is fine
3/15/2026 07:06 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/15/2026 08:09 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/15/2026 10:09 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/16/2026 12:20 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	No
3/16/2026 01:11 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	Not really. Thea proposed colours are nice
3/16/2026 07:07 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/16/2026 08:45 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/16/2026 08:48 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	Bright happy colours
3/16/2026 06:06 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/16/2026 09:58 PM	

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Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 01:42 AM	Not particularly. I think actual features and activities are more important than colours.
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 06:50 AM	Love the colours already
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 11:31 AM	Love the theme now
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 12:55 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 08:57 PM	Turquoise, purple and orange
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 09:04 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 09:50 PM	The colours chosen are Nice
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 10:31 PM	Blues & greens
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 10:35 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 11:08 PM	Orange, dark green or blue, some yellow as highlights
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 11:45 PM	More colourful
Screen Name Redacted 3/18/2026 02:15 PM	Bright colours but cohesive with surrounding play equipment
Screen Name Redacted 3/18/2026 02:34 PM	Mixture of bright colours
Screen Name Redacted 3/18/2026 02:48 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/18/2026 06:39 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/18/2026 07:37 PM	Any color
Screen Name Redacted 3/19/2026 08:08 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/19/2026 05:17 PM	Bright color
Screen Name Redacted 3/19/2026 05:19 PM	Yellow
Screen Name Redacted 3/19/2026 07:46 PM	The more colourful the best and a big shade
Screen Name Redacted 3/20/2026 04:19 PM	Blue/green - to keep with the ocean theme.
Screen Name Redacted 3/20/2026 04:55 PM	The yellow and blue contrasts well

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Screen Name Redacted 3/20/2026 10:14 PM	Landscaping, trees, timbers
Screen Name Redacted 3/21/2026 12:30 PM	Blue, green
Screen Name Redacted 3/21/2026 01:53 PM	Green and blue
Screen Name Redacted 3/21/2026 03:45 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/23/2026 10:12 AM	NA
Screen Name Redacted 3/23/2026 05:09 PM	The Georges River Council teal.
Screen Name Redacted 3/23/2026 05:57 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/23/2026 09:39 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/24/2026 10:37 AM	The colours seem fine could add some purple
Screen Name Redacted 3/24/2026 04:22 PM	I don't mind for the colour, mix and match should be great.
Screen Name Redacted 3/24/2026 08:08 PM	Native ochres, greens
Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 03:37 PM	Colours that blend in and match surrounding bush setting. I like the 'Fish among seaweed' colours.
Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 03:48 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 03:59 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 04:06 PM	As this is for younger children, Bright colours will be great. Lots of Yollows, Pinks, Blues and Reds.
Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 06:37 PM	I love pink
Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 08:58 PM	Different shades of green and a contrast for the fish
Screen Name Redacted 3/27/2026 01:47 PM	The preschoolers showed interest in bright engaging colours particularly ocean inspired tones.
Screen Name Redacted 3/28/2026 10:44 PM	

Optional question · 134 responses · 58 skipped

Question type : Single Line Question

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Q4. Do you think we've missed something in the design or do you have any additional feedback?

Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 09:42 AM	I think all ok
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 09:43 AM	Perhaps incorporating different slides for different aged kids, like higher, faster slides for the bigger kids and baby slides for littler kids.
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 09:52 AM	More shade, more interactive space that is multipurpose.more rock climbing type walls or kids cubby house like a pretend fire station. Something to engage fine motor skills
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 10:03 AM	Both designs are missing a few key elements regarding comfort and accessibility: Sun Protection: Shade sails are essential over the play areas to protect children from UV exposure. Inclusive Seating: Please include perimeter seating with back support to accommodate older parents and carers. Improved Circulation: Use smooth paving for stroller and wheelchair access. Parking Bays: Adding 'pull-in' zones for strollers and scooters would help keep the pathways clear and the equipment sand-free.
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 10:41 AM	-
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 11:04 AM	No, would love to see this in real life the kids will love it!
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 11:48 AM	More shelter options
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 12:54 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 01:17 PM	No
Screen Name Redacted 3/06/2026 01:18 PM	Don't know
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 06:21 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 07:22 AM	Monkey bars as kids love a good obstacle course and feel like ninjas. Trampolines
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 07:35 AM	Monkey bars.... all kids love them... have 2 types for diff age groups
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 07:59 AM	I have chosen the least eyesore of the two, who was your designer?
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 08:02 AM	No
Screen Name Redacted 3/10/2026 08:11 AM	No

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Screen Name Redacted	
3/10/2026 10:38 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/10/2026 10:43 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	Nope!
3/10/2026 12:48 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/10/2026 01:41 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/10/2026 02:09 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/10/2026 02:59 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	No
3/10/2026 03:01 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	No
3/10/2026 03:54 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Shame there is no water play which is something lacking in the area
3/10/2026 03:54 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	I think a splash pad area would be wonderful for the summertime. Would compliment the "sea theme" perfectly.
3/10/2026 06:25 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	A water play area would be so amazing to add to the playground for hot summer days!
3/10/2026 09:26 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Will there be sunshade?
3/10/2026 10:36 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/11/2026 08:32 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	I prefer the ground being cover with the soft surface as in the blue ringed octopus one.
3/11/2026 02:37 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	No, looks good
3/11/2026 04:03 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/11/2026 07:50 PM	

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Screen Name Redacted
3/12/2026 12:15 PM

A walking bridge that starts from the floor that leads up to the structure will be great for children who are just beginning to walk. Different sized slides for the same reason (open) for parents to be able to accompany.

An empty area with synthetic turf and permanent weather proof shade will be amazing for parents with infants especially during mat leave. Somewhere for parents to be able to lay their own mat and bring their own toys where the crawlers will be able to safely crawl even during wet weather or extreme heat.

Splash park opened seasonally !

Much more shade around equipment and seating areas for parents. Child friendly seating would be amazing also (small tables and chairs, permanent high chairs next to the adult chairs). Floor seating (reclined lounge type) around the soft play areas for parents. More bubblers and showers for the beach !

Nappy changing facilities in the bathrooms for child safety

Screen Name Redacted
3/12/2026 08:10 PM

No

Screen Name Redacted
3/13/2026 07:01 AM

Please add a child safe gate around all of the playgrounds, the area is so close to the water and young children run so fast even when directly supervised. As a mum of 2 I have not been able to use the new carrs park playground at all as my 2 year old could open the gate and ran away towards the water while I was feeding my newborn. We do not need visual barriers we need actual child safety devices and not because parents are lazy but because there are actually so many things to juggle that we cant physically restrain everyone at the same time. Unless we leash the children, which kind of defeats the purpose of the lovely playground. If you took even a minute to read through parental feedback you would see this sentiment is echoed throughout the entire world. See playground safety memes all over the internet. A good example of how this has been done for such a large area near water is the wagga wagga beach playground

Screen Name Redacted
3/13/2026 10:32 AM

Screen Name Redacted
3/13/2026 11:17 AM

Na

Screen Name Redacted
3/13/2026 11:19 AM

No

Screen Name Redacted
3/13/2026 11:28 AM

No.

Screen Name Redacted
3/13/2026 11:29 AM

It seems fine

Screen Name Redacted
3/13/2026 11:38 AM

No

Screen Name Redacted
3/13/2026 11:39 AM

Swings

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Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:40 AM	Can you make sure there's a shade cloth over
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:41 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:49 AM	Some in ground trampolines amongst the seaweed
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:50 AM	Natural obstacle areas? Made of wood etc like they have at Meade park
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 12:04 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 12:06 PM	A water play or fountain/spray addition would also be great.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 12:15 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 12:18 PM	In floor trampolines
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 12:23 PM	More shade cloths , quiet zones , cubby house, bridges, somewhere for kids to crawl into and out . Another climbing board , smaller slides for younger children , a splash park section for summer days with bubbling brook, rocks, sprinklers , jets to keep kids cool and attract more interest
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 12:27 PM	Nothing in particular.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 12:34 PM	Always need more adult size swings please. Especially for special needs adults who visit the park often as well as many teenagers & adults to enjoy a swing and look at the water view. Good for mental health of many at the park. Thank you.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 12:52 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 01:15 PM	Na
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 01:28 PM	I know this is near water, however an opportunity to add a splash park or one with water holes for kids to play in. Toddlers/ babies and younger kids and all age ranges actually would benefit from this. We dont have any splash parks in the area the beach is not the same as a splash park overall safer and easier to take kids too that.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 01:33 PM	N/A
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 01:37 PM	Addition of some swings
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 01:52 PM	Surrounding walk/bike/run paths throughout park and Todd park are very badly damaged from adjacent trees. Very dangerous for elderly people, prams, little kids and joggers because of uneven terrain and multiple trip hazards. Would be a small component of overall works to repair existing to acceptable safety standards.

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Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 01:54 PM	Love that you're putting something back in for the bigger kids the current stage 1 really lacked anything for older kids. Like I said in first comment octopus design is nicer but having 3 slides to accommodate for the amount of kids regularly using the park would be good also can't see it in the design but adding in a monkey bar section would be great to
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 01:56 PM	Definitely a smaller slide option too for younger toddlers an children. Maybe even some small starfish like things in the ground they can climb on or over
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 02:07 PM	More features for young kids
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 02:14 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 02:27 PM	Only feedback with option B is that the design looks like it is sand on the bottom? I think this should be changed to something similar to option A.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 02:28 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:05 PM	Can you add shade over it?
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:11 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:11 PM	Water play would be awesome
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:23 PM	More slides!
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:29 PM	I'd love to see accessibility features at the park. For example a picture board for non verbal children Maybe the signs in braille or some locations to be quite tactile
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:29 PM	Please provide shade as metal can get very hot
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:34 PM	Maybe do something with the other octopus limbs! The design is cooler but a bit more concentrated towards the middle. might be a bit much but could there be a small thing or two spread out around to fill the space.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:40 PM	Sydney is known for a subspecies which is the blue lined octopus. Design could incorporate blue upright bars on the octopus head to show these features.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:51 PM	No
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 03:56 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 04:10 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 04:17 PM	If you do go for the blue-ringed octopus design, please please make the top much more visible - see-through panels or something of the like. Also SHADE. Please. For either structure, kids really really need shade 1. So equipment doesn't burn them, 2. More and more families are unfortunately choosing not to wear sunscreen, or some immigrant families who are unaware of how harsh our sun really is. Please include shade!

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Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 04:33 PM	Big sun shade is very important. They are metals so it's gonna be very hot and dangerous for children in summer.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 04:36 PM	I also would like to request water play area and nice shower booth More shade
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 04:57 PM	I didn't read carefully enough whether there were shade and rain protection options but I'm sure you've thought of that! Thank you for asking the community! You're doing a great job, everyone! Appreciate it.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:01 PM	Yes. A fence around the entire play equipment. This is unsafe with no fence as the water is close by
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:14 PM	I really think you need to look at both designs as they both aren't amazing for toddlers. I say this because toddlers will be using this space a lot more than big kids. You will find that toddlers are around parks daily during the week and bigger kids only after school on the rare occasion and weekends. I say this as I've got 2 and I find it really hard to find toddler friendly parks. Please please take this on board. You could create a toddler park on the side of the big park as well.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:26 PM	Making them both a soft floor play rather than sand or dirt/woodchips. The soft floor play absorbs any impact for kids and doesn't have a bunch of clean up involved after play.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:38 PM	It still seems too geared towards much older children that wouldn't be at risk of falling. There are too many unrestrained gaps in the design and not really safe for kids under the age of 9. Also please provide shade.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:40 PM	Just ensure there's enough for toddlers to do on the equipment.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 05:46 PM	Looks good
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 06:29 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 07:08 PM	A bigger playground would be nice
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 07:17 PM	Shape would be very appreciated
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 07:35 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 08:09 PM	Okay for differently abled children
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 08:09 PM	The kids are always queueing up for three things: swings, slides and flying fox, so more of those the better. Kids also love the humps and circuits for riding their bikes and scooters, so if something can be done for them, too, please.

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Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 08:45 PM	No
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 08:53 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 08:54 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 08:55 PM	Accessibility and Shade
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 09:01 PM	Kids bike track around the park with traffic lights etc
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 09:03 PM	Need to ensure there is shade. Please no sand! Also some seating around for the parents would be great!
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 09:14 PM	Water play if possible // toddlers section!
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 09:22 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 09:41 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:15 PM	Shade, places to sit to watch the kids.
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:22 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/13/2026 11:24 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 12:34 AM	The octopus option should have some cool seaweed next to it as well.
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 05:05 AM	-
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 06:24 AM	The pdfs of where the play space will be don't open for me so hard to imagine where it will be on the park
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 06:35 AM	Nil
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 06:37 AM	No :)
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 06:38 AM	I think there should be 2 slides instead of 1. Carss Park gets busy, and I can imagine a whole handful of kids waiting to go down one slide might not be great.
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 07:24 AM	For safety reasons it would be better to completely enclose the climbing area in the middle. I suggest adding another slide to the octopus as well so that kids aren't all waiting in a huge line. Shade over the top is really needed please. Also some trampolines across the park would be good. The octopus is a good start but please take a look at Charles Heath Reserve in Five Dock for some more play features because there isn't much to do on the octopus except the slide. The rope tunnels there are really popular (but pls make sure they are the same one with small holes)

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Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:03 AM	Shade and benches for parents to sit
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:03 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:08 AM	I suggest that you stretch the twirly slide out. Have a look at the lieutenant Cantello Reserve slide in Hammondville to see what I mean. You have plenty of space to do it. Make it longer. Thanks
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:09 AM	Wild play and water play under a tree
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:18 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:20 AM	A smaller slide
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 08:55 AM	Hopefully it has stairs with closed risers, and easy for parents to use incase they need to access their children
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 09:11 AM	Some water play features in time would be nice
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 09:16 AM	I don't believe the equipment appears toddler friendly (ages 18 months onwards) given both styles are quite tall and steep. There is really limited play areas and equipment for the younger toddlers so perhaps an area that is toddler safe and friendly would be appreciated by many parents in the area
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 10:46 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 03:31 PM	The digger area was a very popular feature in the original park. If there could be a section for that and maybe sea sorting area (to stay on theme but educate the children a bit with a big sorting board with moveable parts to sort fish in sizes
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 03:56 PM	Often playgrounds cater more towards ages 4+ however it's also worth considering younger children. As a parent to a 1.5 year old I really struggle to find playgrounds that have been designed (even only if in part) to suit my daughter's capabilities. Sure, on the weekends plenty of older children occupy local playgrounds however from Monday - Friday when those older children are in preschool or school, it's the parents with babies and toddlers who are desperately looking for somewhere to take them where they can safely explore and have some fun. Some ok examples of parks catering to younger children are Meade Park and Dunningham Park. Dunningham Park in particular has a mini toddler playground that is lower to the ground and safer.
	The gated toddler playground at Carrs Park is also not too bad. I'd be sad to see it go without replacing it with something similar.
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 06:54 PM	More climbing spaces
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 06:58 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2026 07:27 PM	Water play

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Screen Name Redacted	
3/14/2026 08:03 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	N/A
3/14/2026 08:04 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Happy with the design
3/14/2026 08:33 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Water play area
3/14/2026 10:20 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Cemented smooth Track around for bikes or scooters that has some bumps and little hills.
3/14/2026 11:36 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/15/2026 12:42 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/15/2026 06:49 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	No
3/15/2026 09:22 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/15/2026 10:30 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/15/2026 11:03 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/15/2026 11:25 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	Water feature in the park will be amazing
3/15/2026 12:21 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/15/2026 02:02 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/15/2026 02:23 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Will there be shade?
3/15/2026 04:03 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	A water park section would be good. Even a small one with sand play would be good.
3/15/2026 07:06 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	Add some designs representing water.
3/15/2026 08:09 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	We need water pay area, splash area!!!!!!
3/15/2026 10:09 PM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/16/2026 12:20 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/16/2026 01:11 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	No
3/16/2026 07:07 AM	
Screen Name Redacted	
3/16/2026 08:45 AM	

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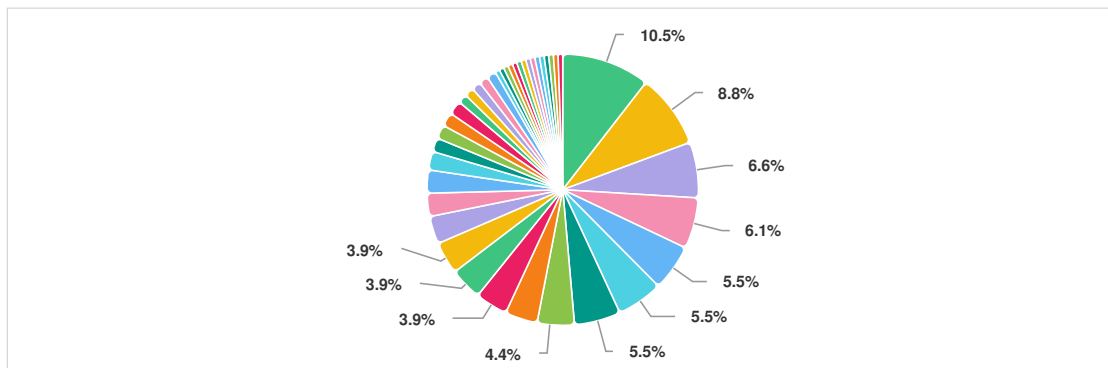
Screen Name Redacted 3/16/2026 08:48 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/16/2026 06:06 PM	Not that I can think of .
Screen Name Redacted 3/16/2026 09:58 PM	See if you can add something that caters to all age groups - smaller slide for younger age groups.
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 01:42 AM	I can't see any swings with the option I selected but it wouldn't let me open file and zoom in, so would be good if it also included some swinging activities
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 06:50 AM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 11:31 AM	Water play inclusion? More stuff for the younger kids to be included.
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 12:55 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 08:57 PM	The inbuilt trampolines that are level with the ground would make a fun addition.
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 09:04 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 09:50 PM	You really need the traditional swings as well, the old fashioned baby swing and regular big kid swing. These are always a clear winner for kids and my kids have always had the big bowl type swings
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 10:31 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 10:35 PM	It'll be good to ensure the space had plenty of shade
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 11:08 PM	Perhaps add a big sunscreen on the top?
Screen Name Redacted 3/17/2026 11:45 PM	It would be beneficial to have bigger shade at playgrounds, as the current shade sails are often insufficient. Furthermore, more shaded seats or resting areas for parents and families nearby would be greatly appreciated while waiting for their children are playing. Also add some bbq or picnic facilities.
Screen Name Redacted 3/18/2026 02:15 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/18/2026 02:34 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/18/2026 02:48 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/18/2026 06:39 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/18/2026 07:37 PM	No thank you
Screen Name Redacted 3/19/2026 08:08 AM	Water play

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Screen Name Redacted 3/19/2026 05:17 PM	Include facilities suitable for different ages
Screen Name Redacted 3/19/2026 05:19 PM	Swing
Screen Name Redacted 3/19/2026 07:46 PM	Shade, loads of shade as kids can get burnt easily with a sunny day
Screen Name Redacted 3/20/2026 04:19 PM	Potentially adding shading from sun if not already within the shade.
Screen Name Redacted 3/20/2026 04:55 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/20/2026 10:14 PM	Should be landscaped and nature based. Both look plastic and terrible. Going to be so hot and unusable in summer. Look at Johnston park in Dulwich hill for inspiration.
Screen Name Redacted 3/21/2026 12:30 PM	No, they look really nice.
Screen Name Redacted 3/21/2026 01:53 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/21/2026 03:45 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/23/2026 10:12 AM	Would be good to have some sort of cover over the playground. So kids and family can play even during pick of the summer or raining days
Screen Name Redacted 3/23/2026 05:09 PM	Matt Tilbrook is great at what he does.
Screen Name Redacted 3/23/2026 05:57 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/23/2026 09:39 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/24/2026 10:37 AM	No
Screen Name Redacted 3/24/2026 04:22 PM	All good
Screen Name Redacted 3/24/2026 08:08 PM	No
Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 03:37 PM	Good to see upgrade work, but hope not too much open parkland and trees are lost in the process. Preserving bushland should be a priority.
Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 03:48 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 03:59 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 04:06 PM	Look good as is.
Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 06:37 PM	
Screen Name Redacted 3/25/2026 08:58 PM	Have the needs of children with physical disabilities been catered for?

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Q5. Which suburb do you live in?



Question options	responses	%
● BLAKEHURST, NSW	19	10.4
● CARLTON, NSW	16	8.7
● ALLAWAH, NSW	12	6.6
● KOGARAH, NSW	11	6.0
● HURSTVILLE, NSW	10	5.5
● KOGARAH BAY, NSW	10	5.5
● SANS SOUCI, NSW	10	5.5
● CARSS PARK, NSW	8	4.4
● PENSHURST, NSW	7	3.8
● OATLEY, NSW	7	3.8
● BEVERLY HILLS, NSW	7	3.8
● SOUTH HURSTVILLE, NSW	7	3.8
● LUGARNO, NSW	6	3.3
● PEAKHURST, NSW	5	2.7
● PEAKHURST HEIGHTS, NSW	5	2.7
● BEVERLEY PARK, NSW	4	2.2
● SYLVANIA, NSW	3	1.6
● PANANIA, NSW	3	1.6
● PADSTOW, NSW	3	1.6

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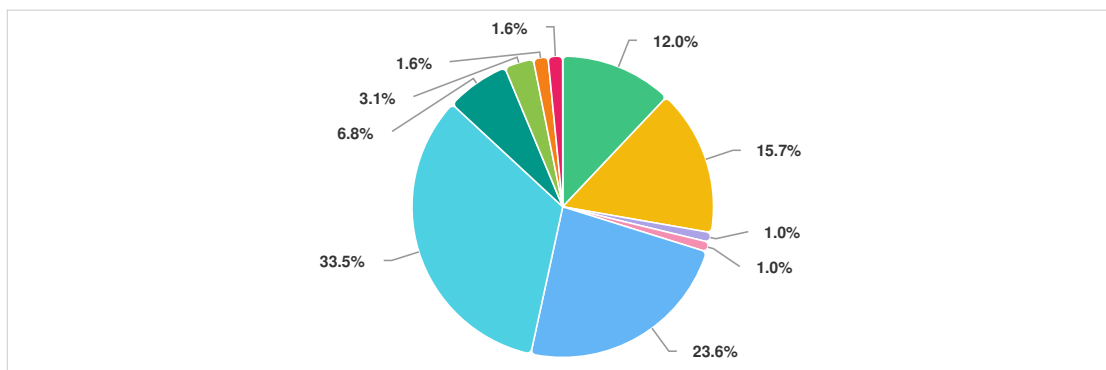
Question options	responses	%
● HURSTVILLE BC, NSW	3	1.6
● HURSTVILLE WESTFIELD, NSW	2	1.1
● SUTHERLAND, NSW	2	1.1
● HURSTVILLE GROVE, NSW	2	1.1
● MORTDALE, NSW	2	1.1
● BEXLEY, NSW	2	1.1
● ROSELANDS, NSW	1	0.5
● ROCKDALE, NSW	1	0.5
● MIRANDA, NSW	1	0.5
● MILPERRA, NSW	1	0.5
● ARNCLIFFE, NSW	1	0.5
● MONTEREY, NSW	1	0.5
● BARDWELL PARK, NSW	1	0.5
● GREENACRE, NSW	1	0.5
● CARINGBAH, NSW	1	0.5
● CONNELLS POINT, NSW	1	0.5
● KYLE BAY, NSW	1	0.5
● SYLVANIA SOUTHGATE, NSW	1	0.5
● BEXLEY SOUTH, NSW	1	0.5
● EARLWOOD, NSW	1	0.5
● REVESBY HEIGHTS, NSW	1	0.5
● KINGSGROVE, NSW	1	0.5
● BLAKEBROOK, NSW	1	0.5

Optional question : 183 responses · 9 skipped

Question type : Region Question

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Q6. Which age group best describes you?

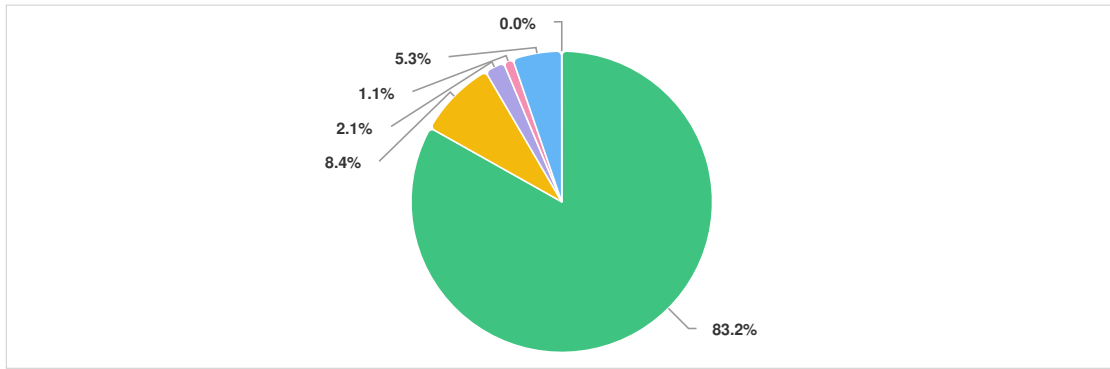


Question options	responses	%
● Under 5	23	12.0
● 5-11 (primary school)	30	15.7
● 12-17 (high school)	2	1.0
● 18-24	2	1.0
● 25-34	45	23.6
● 35-44	64	33.5
● 45-54	13	6.8
● 55-64	6	3.1
● 65-74	3	1.6
● Prefer not to say	3	1.6
● 75 and above	0	0.0

Optional question · 191 responses · 1 skipped
 Question type : Radio Button Question

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Q7. Which of these best describes you?

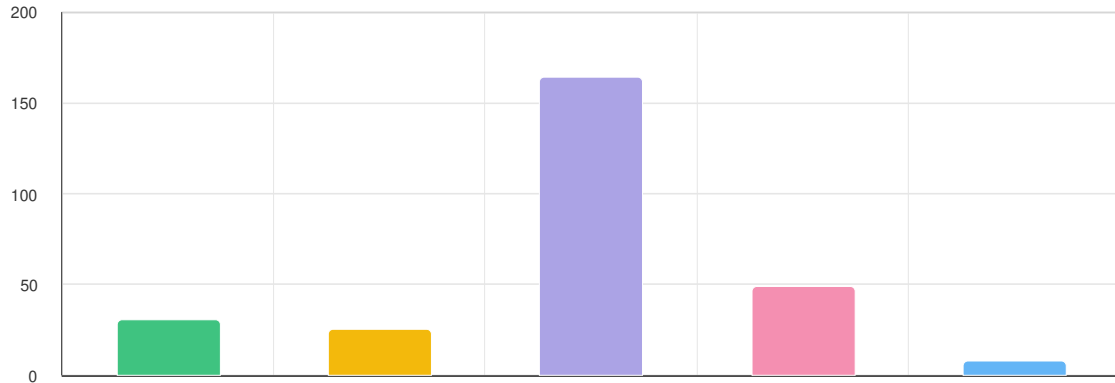


Question options	responses	%
● A parent, grandparent or carer for children	158	83.2
● A child or young person	16	8.4
● Someone who works in childcare or early learning	4	2.1
● Someone who works with youth and young people	2	1.1
● Someone with connection to a playground or play space (such as living nearby)	10	5.3
● Other (please specify)	0	0.0

Optional question · 190 responses · 2 skipped
 Question type : Radio Button Question

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Q8. Who usually visits Carss Bush Park with you?

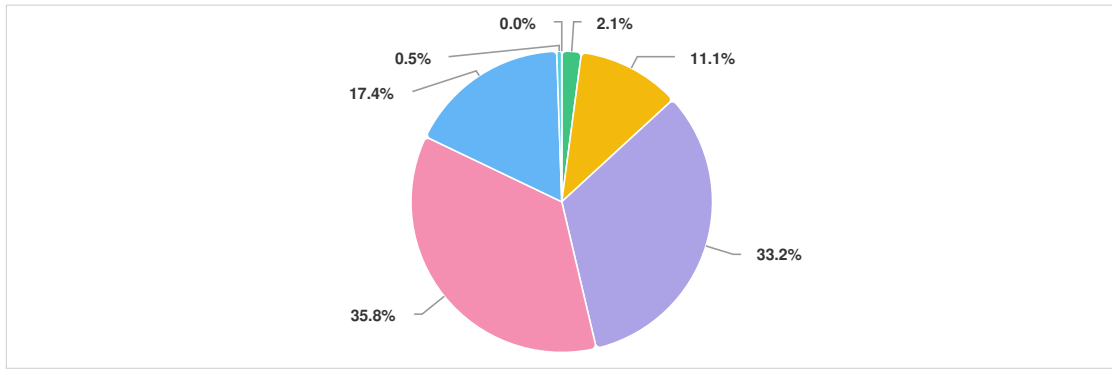


Question options	responses	%
● I visit on my own	31	16.4
● My parents or carers	25	13.2
● My family	164	86.8
● My friends	49	25.9
● A sporting or social group	8	4.2

Optional question · 189 responses · 3 skipped
 Question type : Checkbox Question

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Q9. How often do you visit Carss Bush Park?



Question options	responses	%
● Daily	4	2.1
● Every few days	21	11.1
● Weekly	63	33.2
● Monthly	68	35.8
● A few times a year	33	17.4
● This is my first visit	1	0.5
● I don't visit playgrounds or play spaces	0	0.0

Optional question · 190 responses · 2 skipped
 Question type : Radio Button Question

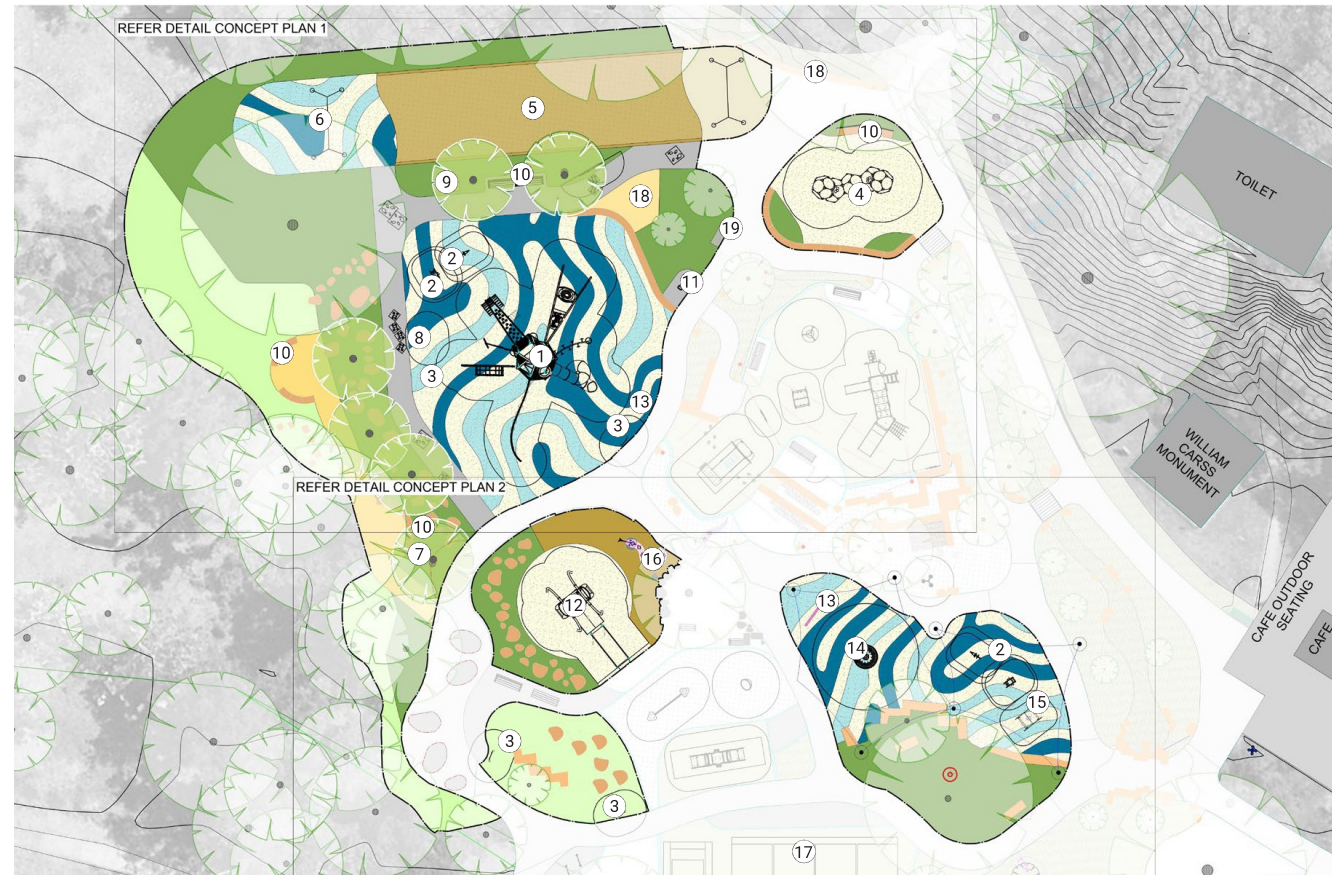
PART C

OVERALL SITE CONCEPT PLAN



KEY

- 1 Hero item
- 2 Rocker
- 3 Panel puzzle board
- 4 Rock climbing structure
- 5 Upgraded flying fox with 2 seats (1x all abilities)
- 6 Rubber soft fall landing area to assist with accessibility
- 7 Powerful Owl sculpture & timber wombat set in garden bed
- 8 Existing sandstone block seat to be relocated
- 9 Relocated existing sandstone block seat
- 10 DDA compliant seat
- 11 New water bubbler
- 12 Accessible swing
- 13 Auslan board
- 14 Inclusive spinner
- 15 Row boat rocker
- 16 Existing snake to be retained
- 17 Existing swings to be retained
- 18 Pram parking
- 19 Existing bins



<p>EXISTING KEY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Stage 2 Boundary — Survey contour 100mm Survey Tree 	<p>STAGE 2 KEY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concrete footpath Playground mulch Make good turf New planting Rubber SF (Beige) Rubber SF (Light blue) Rubber SF (Dark blue) New tree Sandstone boulder Sandstone logs
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SCALE: 1:1200 @ A1 NORTH



CARSS BUSH PARK PLAYGROUND UPGRADE - STAGE 2

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CARSS BUSH PARK PLAYGROUND UPGRADE - STAGE 2



OVERHEAD VIEW OF THE BLUE-RINGED OCTOPUS SHOWING ALL SURROUNDING PLAY ELEMENTS AND ITS CONNECTION TO THE FLYING FOX.

CARSS BUSH PARK PLAYGROUND UPGRADE - STAGE 2

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PART C
**ACCESSIBLE PLAY
REVIEW**

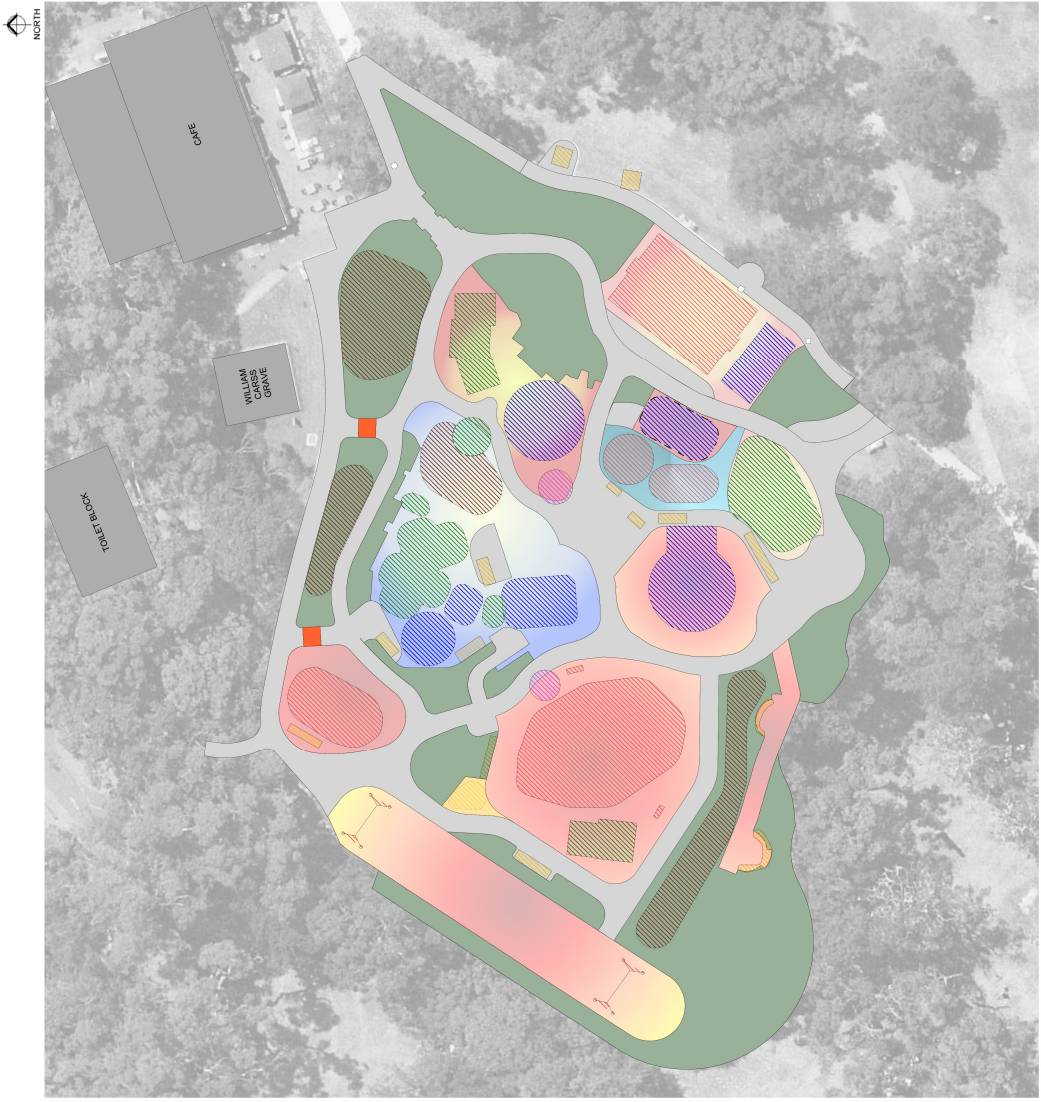
Stage 2 integrates a new, hero play item designed to support inclusive play across a wide range of ages and abilities. The hero element incorporates multiple accessible features and is supported by nearby seating, allowing carers and families to comfortably participate, observe, and engage with children at play. A new accessible swing caters specifically for wheelchair users, expanding opportunities for equitable play experiences.

Inclusion is further strengthened through the introduction of two Auslan boards, strategically located in central areas to communicate play experiences associated with nearby equipment. Continuous rubber soft fall surfacing throughout the space supports ease of movement, improving accessibility and enabling seamless navigation across the playground for all users. Together, these features significantly expand accessible play across the playground, providing lasting social, recreational, and wellbeing benefits for the broader community.

Existing play types

-  Toddler - Under 3 years Low platforms, bucket swings, spring toys, small slides, sensory elements
-  Pre-School - 3 to 6 years Short slides, low climbing, spring toys, small swings, imaginative play
-  Child - 6 to 11 years Multi-level units, swings, climbing nets, spinners, balance beams, monkey bars
-  Pre-Teen - 11 to 14 years Advanced climbing, agility courses, flying foxes, spinners, challenge elements
-  Young Adult - 14 to 18 years Fitness equipment, sports courts, obstacle-style challenges
-  Physical/Mobility Impairments
-  Sensory Sensitivities/Disabilities
-  Neurodiverse Individuals
-  Non-verbal/Hearing/Sight Impaired
-  All Abilities & Ages
-  Carers and Families

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Item: **ASS021-26 Report of the Local Transport Forum meeting held on 29 April 2026**

Author: Executive Services Officer

Directorate: Office of the General Manager

Matter Type: Committee Reports

ASS021-26

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Local Transport Forum recommendations for items LTF031-26 to LTF040-26 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The following Committee recommendations for items LTF031-26 to LTF040-26 are submitted to Council for determination.

The recommendations were made by the Local Transport Forum at its meeting on 29 April 2026.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

LTF031-26 BAUMANS ROAD AND MEADOWLAND ROAD, PEAKHURST - PROPOSED 'NO STOPPING ZONES' & '1/2P' RESTRICTONS AT THE INTERSECTION.
(Report by Traffic Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION

- (a) That 'No Stopping' restrictions be introduced at the intersection of Baumans Road and Meadowland Road, Peakhurst, as per the plan attached in the report.
- (b) That '1/2P, 8:30am–6:00pm Mon–Fri & 8:30am–12:30pm Sat' parking restrictions be implemented on southern side of Meadowland Road near the intersection with Baumans Road.

No Comments.

LTF032-26 GLENWALL STREET, KINGSGROVE - FORMALISATION OF AN EXISTING 'BUS ZONE'
(Report by Traffic Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the existing 'Bus Zone' on the western side of Glenwall Street, Kingsgrove, south of the driveway to No. 34, be formalised as per the plan in the report.

Comments:

Mr S Braunig commented, that currently Glenwall Street has 6 bus stops. Two are currently formalised and the other four are not. If you were to formalise just the one bus stop, there is going to be problems on the opposite bus stop located on the opposite side of the road because cars will be parking in that spot instead. Therefore, why not formalise all other 4 bus stops.

Mr S Lindsay commented, this request is understood and will be looked into.

LTF033-26 TRAFALGAR STREET, PEAKHURST - PROPOSED "BUS ZONE"

EXTENSION

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION

That the existing 'Bus Zone' on the southern side of Trafalgar Street, fronting No. 69, be extended 4m east as shown on the plan attached to the report.

No comments.

LTF034-26 HILLCREST AVENUE, HURSTVILLE - PROPOSED RESIDENT PARKING PERMIT SCHEME

(Report by Senior Traffic and Transport Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION

That the 'Existing Resident Parking Permit Scheme Area 6' be extended to include Hillcrest Avenue between King Georges Road and Woniora Road, Hurstville as per the plan in the report.

No Comments.

LTF035-26 WEST STREET, BLAKEHURST - PROPOSED RELOCATION OF THE 'NO STOPPING' SIGN

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION

That the 'No Stopping' sign on the southern side of West Street, Blakehurst, be relocated 3.4m to the west as per the plan in the report.

No Comments.

LTF036-26 JUNCTION ROAD, BEVERLY HILLS - PROPOSED RELOCATION OF 'BUS ZONE' RESTRICTION

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION

That the existing 'Bus Zone' restriction on the southern side of Junction Road, Beverly Hills, be relocated east, as per the plan in the report.

Comments:

Mr S Braunig commented that after reviewing quite intensely in the system, the proposed location is not actually apart of the bus stop. The bus stop should be in between 25 and 27 so technically you are relocating the bus stop into its correct location.

Mr W Delezio commented asking, is the footpath only between Central road and Baumans road or is that going to be extended across all of Junction road?

Mr S Lindsay commented in response, the footpath will only go as far as Gardinia Street and the corner of Junction Road. There is a new development there that has an existing footpath that they have constructed, therefore we are just going to be filling in the gaps so it connects to the existing network.

Mr W Delezio commented, sounds good. Thank you.

LTF037-26 DEPOT ROAD, MORTDALE - PROPOSED TEMPORARY CHANGES TO PARKING RESTRICTIONS
(Report by Traffic Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION

- (a) That a temporary 'No Parking' restriction be installed on Depot Road, Mortdale, as per the plan in the report, during the following period to facilitate a waste drop-off event:
Friday 23 October 2026 to Monday 26 October 2026
- (b) That the 'No Parking' restriction and associated signage be removed between each waste drop-off event.

No Comments.

LTF038-26 PITT STREET, MORTDALE - PROPOSED ACCESSIBLE PARKING
(Report by Traffic Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION

That 6m of the existing time-restricted parking '2P, Mon-Fri 8:30 am-6 pm and Sat 8:30 am-12:30 pm' on the southern side of Pitt Street, Mortdale be converted into an accessible parking zone, as per the plan in the report.

No comments.

LTF039-26 BURGESS STREET AND TARGO ROAD INTERSECTION - PROPOSED INTERSECTION CHANGES
(Report by Traffic Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION

That the priority at the Burgess Street and Targo Road intersection be modified, as per the plan in the report.

No comments.

LTF040-26 WOODLANDS AVENUE, LUGARNO - PROPOSED CHANGES TO PARKING RESTRICTIONS
(Report by Traffic Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION

- (a) That the 'No Parking' restrictions on Woodlands Avenue, east of the intersection with Boronia Parade, be converted to 'No Stopping' restrictions, as per the plan in the report.
- (b) That the 'No Stopping' restrictions, fronting No. 93 Woodlands Avenue, be extended by approximately 2m, as per the plan in the report.

No comments.

FILE REFERENCE

D26/123636

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment [↓](#)1 Minutes of the Local Transport Forum meeting held on 29 April 2026

MINUTES

Local Transport Forum

Wednesday, 29 April 2026

10:00 AM

Dragon Room

Civic Centre

Hurstville

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GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL

PRESENT

VOTING MEMBERS

Councillor Nancy Liu (Chairperson)

Mr M Coure (MP State Member for Oatley)

Mr W Delezio (Representing Member for Oatley, Mark Coure MP)

Mr L Crompton (Representing Member for Kogarah)

Snr Constable F Xu (Representing St George Local Area Command)

Ms Nazli Tzannes (Representing Transport for NSW)

GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL STAFF

Mr B Spelta (Director Assets & Infrastructure)

Mr S Lindsay (Manager Assets & Traffic)

Mr A Baradhy (Coordinator Traffic and Transport)

Ms N Paraskevopoulos (Executive Services Officer)

Ms D Berro (PA to Manager Assets and Traffic – Minutes)

Mr H Bongers (Coordinator Parking and Rangers)

Mr Arun Job (IMT Services – Technical)

ABSENT

Ms S Ortado (Representing Member for Rockdale, Steve Kamper MP)

Mr S Kshitij (Representing Transport for NSW)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Deputy Mayor, Councillor Nancy Liu (Chairperson)

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Mr L Crompton (Representing Member for Kogarah)

Mr S Kshitij (Transport for NSW)

Senior Constable Z Xu (St George Local Area Command)

NON-VOTING MEMBERS

Mr A Pritchard (Transit Systems)

Mr S Braunig (U-GO Mobility Bus Company)

Mr G Wong (St George Cabs)

OPENING

Councillor Nancy Liu, opened the meeting at 10.04am

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Councillor Nancy Liu acknowledged the Bidjigal people of the Eora Nation, who are the Traditional Custodians of all lands, waters and sky in the Georges River area. I pay my respect to Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who live, work and meet on these lands.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apology from Ms Samantha Ortado (Representing Member for Rockdale).

Apology from Mr Shah Kshitij (Representing Transport for NSW)

There were no other apologies.

NOTICE OF WEBCASTING

Councillor Nancy Liu advised staff and the public that the meeting is being recorded for minute-taking purposes only.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest made.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

LTF030-26 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Local Transport Forum Meeting held on 25 March 2026
(Report by Administration Officer)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Local Transport Forum Meeting held on 25 March 2026, be confirmed.

No Comments.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

LTF031-26 Baumans Road and Meadowland Road, Peakhurst - Proposed 'No Stopping Zones' & '1/2P' restrictions at the intersection.
(Report by Traffic Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION

- (a) That 'No Stopping' restrictions be introduced at the intersection of Baumans Road and Meadowland Road, Peakhurst, as per the plan attached in the report.
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No Comments.

LTF032-26 Glenwall Street, Kingsgrove - Formalisation of an existing 'Bus Zone'
(Report by Traffic Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION:

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LTF033-26 Trafalgar Street, Peakhurst - Proposed "Bus Zone" extension
(Report by Traffic Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION

That the existing 'Bus Zone' on the southern side of Trafalgar Street, fronting No. 69, be extended 4m east as shown on the plan attached to the report.

No comments.

LTF034-26 Hillcrest Avenue, Hurstville – Proposed Resident Parking Permit Scheme
(Report by Senior Traffic and Transport Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION

That the 'Existing Resident Parking Permit Scheme Area 6' be extended to include Hillcrest Avenue between King Georges Road and Woniora Road, Hurstville as per the plan in the report.

No Comments.

LTF035-26 West Street, Blakehurst – Proposed Relocation of the 'No Stopping' sign
(Report by Traffic Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION

That the 'No Stopping' sign on the southern side of West Street, Blakehurst, be relocated 3.4m to the west as per the plan in the report.

No Comments.

LTF036-26 Junction Road, Beverly Hills - Proposed Relocation of 'Bus Zone' Restriction
(Report by Traffic Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION

That the existing 'Bus Zone' restriction on the southern side of Junction Road, Beverly Hills, be

relocated east, as per the plan in the report.

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Mr W Delezio commented, sounds good. Thank you.

LTF037-26 Depot Road, Mortdale - Proposed Temporary Changes to Parking Restrictions

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

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No Comments.

LTF038-26 Pitt Street, Mortdale - Proposed Accessible Parking

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION

That 6m of the existing time-restricted parking '2P, Mon-Fri 8:30 am-6 pm and Sat 8:30 am-12:30 pm' on the southern side of Pitt Street, Mortdale be converted into an accessible parking zone, as per the plan in the report.

No comments.

LTF039-26 Burgess Street and Targo Road Intersection - Proposed Intersection Changes

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION

That the priority at the Burgess Street and Targo Road intersection be modified, as per the plan in the report.

No comments.

LTF040-26 Woodlands Avenue, Lugarno - Proposed Changes to Parking Restrictions
(Report by Traffic Engineer)

RECOMMENDATION

- (a) That the 'No Parking' restrictions on Woodlands Avenue, east of the intersection with Boronia Parade, be converted to 'No Stopping' restrictions, as per the plan in the report.
- (b) That the 'No Stopping' restrictions, fronting No. 93 Woodlands Avenue, be extended by approximately 2m, as per the plan in the report.

No comments.

GENERAL BUSINESS

General Business raised by Mr L Crompton (Representing Member for Kogarah)

- **Parking and Traffic Concerns – Allawah**

Mr L Crompton commented, I have brought up in a previous meeting the streets in Allawah more specifically Elizabeth street, Allawah. There has been complaints of accidents from residents as they are coming out of their driveways their cars are sticking out. Has anyone looked into this? Is there a way to minimise or spread out the parking in these locations?

Mr S Lindsay commented, yes there is an engineer assigned to this and it is being looked into.

Mr L Crompton commented, asking if there could be more consideration given to the area around Allawah station as there is constantly school kids and high pedestrian activity. Can a speed limit lower than 50km be considered?

Mr S Lindsay commented in response, Council needs to follow the speed zoning standard to then put together a proposal for TfNSW to rezone this area. Due to this road being a collector road and the volume of traffic, I personally don't think this will be approved due to priority.

Mr L Crompton commented, Can it be look into moving forward?

Mr S Lindsay commented, yes it can be looked into, but an honest and upfront opinion is that this may not be approved by TfNSW.

General Business raised by Mr W Delezio (Representing Member for Oatley, Mark Couré MP):

- **Intersection of Grove Avenue and Railway Parade, Penshurst**

Mr W Delezio commented, the intersection of Grove Avenue and Railway Parade Penshurst. There is a roundabout located there and surrounding the entire roundabout is potholes and uneven roads. Could Council investigate re-sheeting the road or filling in the potholes?

Mr S Lindsay commented, this will be looked into.

General Business raised by Mr W Delezio (Representing Member for Oatley, Mark Coure MP):

- **Bus Stop relocation – George Street and Iverness Avenue**

Mr W Delezio commented, a bus stop relocation mentioned in the last meeting located at the intersection of George Street and Iverness Avenue. It was stated last time that the bus stop would be relocated to the other side, is there any updates on this?

Mr S Lindsay commented, currently the consultation is in progress.

Mr W Delezio commented, I assume there will be new line marking around Iverness Avenue and this will take place the same time.

Mr S Lindsay commented, if a work order hasn't already been issued, it will take 2-3 months following the work order for the work to be done.

Mr W Delezio commented, I am happy to look into that, all good.

General Business raised by Mr W Delezio (Representing Member for Oatley, Mark Coure MP):

- **U-turn Implications – Lugarno Parade and Cedar Street, Lugarno**

Mr W Delezio commented, the intersection at Lugarno Parade and Cedar Street, Lugarno. A large amount of residents have written in complaining in regards to busses performing U-turns at this intersection. The residents have since written back stating they would want bus drivers using their own discretion to decide what intersection they use to make U-turns. There is also reports of various kerb damages as busses are hitting the kerbs when performing there U-turns. He then asked Mr S Branig, have they been instructed to only use one intersection now?

Mr S Braunig commented, bus drivers have been instructed to use Cedar street, we have also been advised from TfNSW that we must use Cedar street as there has been too many implications with the other intersection at Lugarno Parade as residents are parking in specific locations which have caused the buses to be unable to perform a U-turn. Only other option to this is, they may loose the bus service.

Mr W Delezio commented in response to this, Is the decision finalised for U-turns to only be made on Cedar Street? As residents have requested that the bus drivers get to use their own discretion.

Mr S Branig commented, we are unable to tell bus drivers to use their own discretion, we are instructed to give direction and they need to follow that direction. There has been various issues in this location in previous years. It is now up to local government and TfNSW to make any new variations whether a physical change to the road scape or other options. Currently U-go does not have any other option but to use Cedar Street as the turn-around point. There is many other locations where 3 point turns are done and there is no level of issues in comparison to this particular site at Cedar Street.

General Business raised by Mr W Delezio (Representing Member for Oatley, Mark Couré MP):

- **Beatty Streets – Mortdale**

Mr W Delezio commented, in regards to access to B streets, I am aware of a resident meeting that occurred not too long ago, is Council doing investigation on this? Is there any updates?

M S Linday commented, yes an investigation was completed, and we are proceeding to community consultation next week.

General Business raised Mr S Braunig (U-GO Mobility Bus Company):

- **Recognition for Council Staff**

Mr S Branig commented, I just wanted to say thank you for bus stop signage along Forest Road. U-Go Mobility will communicate closer to June regarding the removal of the bus stop zones that will no longer be used and maybe some of the infrastructure at these locations for example George street and Forest Road. This proposal was from TfNSW to make these changes but we thank Council for their work.

CONCLUSION

The Meeting was closed at 10.30am.



Chairperson

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CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS (CLOSED MEETING)

Council's Code of Meeting Practice allows members of the public present to indicate whether they wish to make representations to the meeting, before it is closed to the public, as to whether that part of the meeting dealing with any or all of the matters listed should or should not be considered in closed session.

RECOMMENDATION

That in accordance with the provisions of Part 1 of Chapter 4 of the Local Government Act 1993, the following matters be considered in closed Meeting at which the press and public are excluded.

That in accordance with the provisions of Section 11(2) of the Act, the reports and correspondence relating to these matters be withheld from the press and public.