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**SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY FEEDBACK
ON THE CONCEPT DESIGN PLANS
AND THE CITY'S RESPONSE**

Summary of Comments

This summary includes feedback from the community consultation for the two green spaces in East Sydney (O'Brien Lane Reserve and 222 Palmer Street).

Number of responses: **20**

- Strong community support for the City's proposal to formalise two green spaces in East Sydney;
- Residents expressed the need for the designs to address anti-social behaviour in the area;
- The community asked for a bigger community garden at 222 Palmer Street;
- More bins and dog waste dispensers were requested for O'Brien Lane Reserve;
- Lower-levelled lush planting for both green spaces.

Submission No.	Comments
Submission 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New top level turf area is great at O'Brien Reserve; • Good to have these green spaces as density and population are growing; • Good to clear some trees; • Good to formalise two parks; • Have concerns on the mix use between kids and dogs; • Neighbours have been robbed around 222 Palmer St so security needs to be improved; • Concerns on anti-social behaviour at 222 Palmer St.
Submission 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A ping pong table in the park; • Better dog waste management; • Anti-social behaviour – syringes, public urination and anti-social behaviour at night time. • Would like to see spinning and climbing play elements, or a pretend cubby house; • Enhance lighting/sensor lights.
Submission 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent idea. Great for the inner city. • Lots of small plants in the parks; • An anchor statue symbolising 'The City of Sydney' in O'Brien Lane Reserve.
Submission 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good to open up O'Brien Lane Reserve/formalise a park; • Like the use of murals and colours at 222 Palmer St. • Community garden at 222 Palmer St should be larger/the priority usage; • Anti-social behaviour at 222 Palmer St; • Will the removal of bollards give car access to O'Brien Reserve? • Make 222 Palmer St more for residents directly adjacent to it; but O'Brien Lane Reserve an open space for the general public.

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Submission 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good to see it will remain a park at O'Brien Lane Reserve; • An interesting concept. • Have concerns on anti-social behaviour at O'Brien Lane Reserve; • Community facilities should be more for residential use than commercial. • Fencing O'Brien Lane Reserve; • A bigger community garden.
Submission 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good to see improvements/changes are being considered for these green spaces; • Anti-social behaviour is a big concern; • A community garden could be considered to address anti-social behaviour yet to have community environment interaction.
Submission 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not enough space for the community garden at 222 Palmer St; • Needs design elements to deter anti-social behaviour; • Should have toilet facilities for patrons from the corner pub. • Concerned about construction noise; • Increase policing patrol and daily needle collection.
Submission 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Likes the retention of heritage elements and landscaping at 222 Palmer St; • A children's area should not be included at O'Brien Lane Reserve near dogs; Leave children's play area at 222 Palmer St; • Serious concerns about the Palmer Street area not being gated and shut off at night.
Submission 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving sight lines into corner; • Keep boundary edging planting; • Keep them as dog parks; • No seats near corner/boundary; • Keep open to street. • Manage storm water at Stanley Street frontage; • Lush planting so planting cannot be set on fire.
Submission 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It's good that the City has acquired lands from the RMS to create a green space on Stanley St/O'Brien Lane Reserve; • More dog bag dispensers; • Improve sightlines into the corner. • The park needs bins; • Illegal parking is an issue in the area.
Submission 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving sightlines into corner; • Improving lightings. • No seating in the corner; • Irrigate the park at night to discourage anti-social behaviour and people who are homeless.
Submission 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerns about night time anti-social behaviour; • The park should be gated.
Submission 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Path too wide; • Use steps to discourage bikes entering open space; • Improve grass area (more grass); • Manage stormwater on site; • Retaining trees (excluding the casuarina tree); • Force the park to close at night; • Keep lush boundary edge planting; • Expand grass to street; • Keep the natural feeling of the park; • Reuse sandstone blocks at O'Brien Reserve.

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Submission 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good to be a dog friendly park (O'Brien Lane Reserve); • Reuse Sandstone at O'Brien Reserve; • Like the vegetation plants in the park. • Concerns on anti-social behaviour and noise; • Install wind, solar panel according to the City's Renewable Energy Strategy • Retain the historical reference to the sandstone at O'Brien Lane Reserve.
Submission 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The upgrades will help to remove anti-social elements in the area; • Children's play area is tasteful for the community. • Have concerns about construction noise and trucks using nearby roads.
Submission 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good to see the retention of heritage walls; • Make O'Brien Lane Reserve an off-leashed dog park; • Not for children to play at O'Brien Lane Reserve. They have Albert Sloss Reserve. • 222 Palmer St community garden is too small. Should all be a community garden; • Lack of utilisation/integration of community garden with pre-school. • Remove park from 222 Palmer Street and make all a community garden; • Provide housing for people who are homeless who use O'Brien Lane Space as camp site.
Submission 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good to bring the laneway into a park (O'Brien Lane Reserve). • Have concern about drug use and needles
Submission 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good to make this area more attractive; • Hope to see the park is not used by local street workers as it is now; • An off leash area for dogs; • Park should be fenced off.
Submission 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We like the idea of the pathway in O'Brien Lane Reserve as it is a thoroughfare; • We like the idea of a wall beside 113 Stanley St. Would like to know more info on height and drainage proposal; • we are strongly against any kind of seating anywhere in O'Brien Lane Reserve; • We believe there should be bins present on both sides of O'Brien Lane Reserve; • The residents (109, 111, and 113 Stanley St) would like to see the removal of the gum tree to open a clear view of sight into this corner; • It is imperative that there is a clear line of sight from Bourke St into the park; • It is highly recommended that a retaining wall is built to ensure that problem of soil runoff is addressed for O'Brien Lane Reserve; • We would like to see more details of the drainage and wall prior to it being built. I.e. extent, height, materials etc; • Use more lush plantations similar to the existing plants; • Perhaps a mural on the wall at O'Brien Lane Reserve.

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Submission 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevent anti-social behaviour by fencing O'Brien Lane Reserve and if practical lock gates at night; • Slow down cyclist & skateboarders from using excessive speed on footpath; • Minimum of two 'dog poo' bag dispensers & rubbish bins be installed at either end of O'Brien Lane Reserve; • Remove trees and associated plantings along west boundary walls. Replace with tree grove of lower stature trees with in-ground up-lighting between rows to increase solar penetration into grassed & recreation areas beyond; • Move pathway at O'Brien Lane entry and the Bullbay Magnolia tree eastward to provide larger, more defined Petanque & seating area; • Replace the Eucalyptus towards the Stanley St boundary with a clear stem Jacaranda; • Lush boundary edge plantings; • Clear stem Crepe Myrtle or Blueberry Ash to balance Jacaranda; • Remove River Oaks towards the Bourke St boundary and replace with three deciduous tulip trees.
Project response to community feedback	
Play elements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The current play elements proposed at O'Brien Lane Reserve will be deleted; • Further consultation will take place with a group of children to further develop the design of the play elements at 222 Palmer Street. The provision of play equipment will also be coordinated with the provision of play equipment at nearby local park to ensure a range of equipment is provided the local area.
Anti-social behaviour /Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measures have been incorporated into the design to deter anti-social behaviour including ensuring clear sightlines are provided from the street to the far corners of the park. Lighting improvements, increasing usage and activation, using high quality materials to improve the tone of the park and providing irrigation for regular cleaning of the park. The City will liaise with Safe City and the police to determine further measures to improve safety and monitoring of the parks; • High brick walls will be maintained along the new 222 Palmer Street park edge to ensure security is improved for adjoining residents.
Accessibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new raised sandstone edge, tree and planting are proposed where the park interfaces with O'Brien's Lane to prevent vehicles from entering the park; • Both parks will be able to be used by the local and wider community; • The City aims to keep its public open spaces inclusive and open so high perimeter fencing or lock up areas are not supported for both parks.

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Landscaping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lush planting is proposed in the two small parks, especially at the parks edges to provide added security to the adjoining residents; • The boundary edge planting will be retained at O'Brien Lane Reserve to provide added privacy between the park and adjacent residential property; • Removal of some trees in both parks to provide clear sightlines from the street to the far corners of the park; • Grass areas in both parks will be maximised; • The Eucalyptus tree in O'Brien Lane Reserve is proposed to be retained. Some trees will be removed to increase solar penetration whilst new flowering tree species will be planted.
Path in O'Brien Lane Reserve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The width of the access paths will be reviewed to ensure access is maintained but will be narrowed where possible to maximise grass area; • The new path through the park in O'Brien Lane Reserve will improve access. Steps would restrict access through the park. The path curves in the centre of the park which will slow down cyclists. Other measures and signage will be in place to ensure a slow speed environment.
Sandstone at O'Brien Lane Reserve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The sandstone will be reused.
Community garden at 222 Palmer Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The design of 222 Palmer Street will allow for the community garden to further expand in size, the size of the park will also provide play opportunities for local children and other passive use in the green space provided.
Dog access and waste management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A bin and two dog litter bag dispensers will be provided at O'Brien Lane Reserve and an irrigation system will be installed to allow for regular cleaning; • O'Brien Lane Reserve will be an on-leash dog park, 222 Palmer Street will have play elements for children and a 10 meter separation is required between children and dogs.
Lighting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lighting will be improved in the two parks and adjacent laneways; • The proposal is to use low energy light fittings to reduce light spill and energy consumption. The City installs solar panels on some of its buildings to offset energy consumption.
Stormwater management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The stormwater at the Stanley Street frontage will be managed with the new park levels re-directing the stormwater around the park.
Noise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction noise will be restricted to certain hours according to environmental planning approvals and conditions. The City's staff will liaise with residents closely during construction to minimise impacts.
Toilet facility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The two parks are small in size. Toilet facilities will decrease the amount of green park space available in an already small space so toilet facility will not be included.

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Seating	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seats are proposed along the access paths and in clear view of the street;• Seating is provided to encourage positive social interaction including for those who play Petanque in the park.
Others	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The provision of a permanent ping pong table is not appropriate at O'Brien Lane Reserve as the size of the park is too small;• An anchor statue will not be suitable in this park at O'Brien Lane Reserve as it is too small;• The provision of social housing is outside the project scope of this project.• A public art mural can be considered in consultation with the building owner in O'Brien Lane Reserve.
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