

**ATTACHMENT D**

**SCHEDULE OF SUBMISSIONS AND  
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS**

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Category	Submission No.	Issue/Proposal	CoS Direct Response on Issue/Proposal	Amend draft PoM
Recreational Equipment, Facilities & Amenities	No 4	Proposes more play equipment for the kids	<p>The Plan of Management is a statutory planning document required by the <i>Local Government Act</i>. It doesn't include detailed project plans or funding proposals. It focuses on the strategic objectives of the park and how it will meet a range of community, cultural and environmental needs in the future. We will consult with park users and the local community when any specific projects are proposed.</p> <p>We're currently constructing stage 2 of our Stormwater Harvesting Project. This project includes harvesting water for re-use in the park. It also involves paths and water play spaces around the wetlands that will create unique play and exploration spaces for children. At this stage, we expect these works to be completed in late September 2014.</p>	
	Nos 7, 8, 47, 49, 50	<p>Proposes facilities or activities appealing to teenagers.</p> <p>Proposes to develop :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a Mountain / BMX Track</li> <li>• a BMX/Skate Bowl and</li> <li>• Instil cycling as cool to this age group.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted</p> <p>The 2006 Master Plan envisages a park with a range of play opportunity integrated into the park's landscape. The southern grasslands are identified as a future picnic/bbq precinct with a mounded landscape providing play opportunity, including potential for bike-riders, skateboarders and roller bladders. This type of integrated play facility providing casual bike play would be permissible within the Park category.</p> <p>It is noted that Marrickville Council is developing a</p>	Amend to include 'bike track and/or BMX bowl' as a specific future use

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		<i>(5.) A consideration of activating space that is currently unused for different forms of recreational cycling, such as a BMX track or cyclo-cross track</i>	purpose-built cycling pump track about 500m away from the park for implementation in 2014-15.	
	No 16	Proposes upgrading the weather shelters on the edge of the Davidson Oval	Noted	
	No 16	Proposes a public toilet near the cycling centre	Noted	
	No 16	Propose signage displaying the former aboriginal and agricultural uses of the site	Noted	
	No 18, 26, 46	More facilities to have birthday parties More benches and shades.	Noted	
	No 19	Proposes netball park for young and teenage girls.	Noted Netball courts require large level areas of land categorised as sportsground. No suitable areas have been identified within Sydney Park, and they would likely impact the other recreation values of the park.	

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			Facilities are provided nearby at Lillian Fowler Reserve, Alexandria Park and Harry Noble Reserve.	
	No 23	Proposes a larger amphitheatre for concert	Noted The Event Space along the Euston Road frontage has already been developed for staging outdoor events, and provided with power supply appropriate for concerts	
	No 23	More BBQ picnic areas	Noted Amphitheatre is not a use. The Amphitheatre may be used for <u>concerts and community events</u>	
	No 25	More and better types of resistance exercise equipment (such as elliptical machines)	Noted	
	Nos 34, 37, 47	Increase bike parking space	Noted	
	No. 49	A clarification of the current usage of the SPCC facility as an area for adult cycling education and a vision for the expansion of the facility in line with increasing demand for the services provided there and the City's 2030 Vision goals regarding cycling participation.		Amend to the current use for Sydney Park Cycle Facility Table 3.1 Current Buildings and Structures

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		<p>The Sydney Park Plan of Management (PoM) at page 9 proposes to develop the Sydney Park Cycling Centre (SPCC) as “a cycling facility where children learn to ride tracks and programs”. While the original intended use is “cycling courses for children (page 13) the vast majority of cycling education conducted at SPCC is for adults. BikeWise proposes that the future development and description in the final PoM correctly reflect the actual functions of the facility.</p> <p>-the vast majority of cycling education conducted at the SPCC is for adults.</p> <p>-this is an important factor to consider when determining the future development of this space</p> <p>-the final plan ought to remedy this incorrect description of the facility's function.</p>		
	No 41, 49	2. A prioritisation of improving facilities and amenities for existing uses, particularly in the area	Noted	

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		<p>around SPCC and the children's cycling track, before developing alternate uses of the space.</p> <p>BikeSydney proposes a careful consideration of the placement of the child care centre. While welcoming the proposed additions of a childcare and a City Farm to the Park, BikeWise also requests to reconsider the proposed location of these new developments other than current area adjacent to the car park off Sydney Road as it will potentially requires the removal of the children's bicycle track. The value of the track facility as a recreational area for children and family is proven and should not be discounted.</p> <p>If the track is lost or removed to another area of the Park, this synergistic link between cycling as a recreational activities and cycling as a mode of transport would be lost and the City 's efforts at promoting the latter would be</p>		

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		poorer for it	Noted	
	Nos 37, 40, 43, 44, 47, 49	Develops the Park as an incubator for cycling by extending child and adult cycling training, providing road safety sessions for kids, opening a bikes hire shop.		
<b>Ecology and Sustainability</b>	No 3	Suggests amendment to the text on Page 24 Ecology and Sustainability to :  'Sydney Park provides wildlife habitat in its terrestrial and aquatic landscapes, although diversity and canopy cover is challenged by the environment, this will be overcome with quality planting and care'	'Sydney Park provides wildlife habitat in its terrestrial and aquatic landscapes, although diversity and canopy cover is challenged by the environment, this will be overcome with quality planting and care'.  I don't have a problem with the above sentence	<b>Adopt suggested amendment</b>  <b>'Sydney Park provides wildlife habitat in its terrestrial and aquatic landscapes, although diversity and canopy cover is challenged by the environment, this will be overcome with quality planting and care'.</b>
	No 3	Suggests improving wording  Page 36 Biodiversity, Objective 'Restore bushland', the action 'Implementation Phase Priority	Add colons, or you could add Implement bush restoration and habitat enhancement program instead of Implementation Phase Again I would recommend they are	<b>Ament as follows</b> <b>Implement bush restoration and habitat enhancement – Priority Protection Measures</b>

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		<p>Protection Measures' - <i>Is this implementation of measures to restore bushland through protective measures which is the containment of swamp oak?</i></p> <p>'Contain Swap Oak' - Does this indicate removal, reduction? You will only achieve proper diversity by the (complete) removal of these trees.</p>	<p>referred to the Urban Ecology Strategic Action Plan.</p> <p>There are many examples across NSW where ongoing management of Casuarina colonisation is required. The City will not remove existing stands, suckers will be removed to ensure that they do not spread further from existing stands.</p>	
	No 3	Suggests deleting Line 6 'Recruit bush regeneration volunteers' - Page 36 Biodiversity: -Unless management practices change, it would be better to remove line	By definition, bush regeneration is the rehabilitation of bush from a weed affected or otherwise degraded area to a healthier community of native plants and animals. While Sydney Park does not have any remnant bushland and is a relatively young park compared to Callan Park, the aim of the bush regeneration works is to restore and maintain ecosystem health by helping the natural regeneration of indigenous plants and will be carried out at various	<p><b>Amend by the phrase to :</b></p> <p><b>Establish volunteer bush restoration group</b></p> <p><b>And include as a second</b></p>



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			<p>locations across the park. The employment of qualified and experienced staff working in the park will improve bush restoration works over time. The program to engage volunteers will also improve bush restoration works and will also generate interest and ownership of the park.</p> <p>The recently adopted Urban Ecology Strategic Action Plan identifies the City's commitment to restore and conserve resilient urban ecosystems that support a diverse range of indigenous flora and fauna species, particularly at identified priority sites such as Sydney Park.</p> <p>The Urban Ecology Strategic Action Plan identifies actions to ensure that best practice bush regeneration and biodiversity management techniques are incorporated into the management of parks.</p> <p>If we wanted to remove it and add in line 2 under performance targets, we could add</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establish volunteer bush restoration group</li> </ul> <p>Or we could call it habitat restoration volunteers if they feel strongly about it being termed bush regeneration.</p>	performance target within the 'Restore Bushland' Objective
<b>Accessibility</b>	Nos 8, 44, 47, 48, 49,	Promote cycling activities in the	Noted	

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	50	<p>park by improving access routes to the park by foot and cycles.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. fix the degraded foot/cycling paths</li> <li>2. create uninterrupted cycling loop path around the Park's perimeter.</li> </ol> <p>4. An expansion of existing paths within the park, both increasing the width of existing paths and creating new paths to improve the flow of different types of park users.</p>	Noted	
	Nos 17, 23, 34, 37 43, 47, 49, 50			
	No 47	<p>Create maps indicating walking and cycling catchments, regional links and its internal cycling and walking networks.</p>	Noted	
	Nos 37, 44, 47, 48, 49, 50	<p>Creates safer and more pronounced walking and cycling access to the park; extends the Park beyond its perimeter to create 'arrival gateways' in the style of Centennial Park's Federation Way so as to induce more active travel trips into the Park</p>	Noted	

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		<p>3. An emphasis on provisions to render the park readily accessible by foot, bicycle or public transport, particularly by exploring linkages to existing and proposed regional cycling routes and St Peters Station.</p>		
	No 41, 50	<p>Separates cycling and pedestrian paths as currently the path is shared by pedestrians, joggers, people with kids &amp; people with unleashed dogs.</p>	<p>Noted                      Shared paths are the preferred approach within urban parkland for managing the wide range of park users. Separate bike paths create exclusive areas for dedicated cycling that can create more severe conflict where they cross other paths, or where other users wander onto a bicycle only path.                      The Master Plan proposes a hierarchy of paths, including a generous park circuit path, over 4.0m wide and gently graded. The master plan also proposes smaller tertiary routes, such as boardwalks, stepping stones and gravel tracks that are not suited for cycling.</p>	
	Nos 2, 47, 48	<p>Increase pedestrian (non-motorised) access to the park</p>	<p>Noted</p>	
	Nos 8, 47, 48	<p>Proposes improving access routes to the park. Table 5.2 Access “Linkages to other parks” could include “and to the future cycleway on Alexandra Canal to connect with</p>	<p>Noted                      Yes, this is an example of how the park can add to the “Access” value of the park in the future. Also, suggest we mention “stronger links across Sydney Park Road to existing residents and the <u>Urban Renewal Area of Ashmore</u></p>	<p><b>Amend the plan as suggested: Table 5.2 Access “Linkages to other parks” could include</b></p>

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		the Cooks River".	<u>Estate.</u>	"and to the future cycleway on Alexandra Canal to connect with the Cooks River"
	No 24	New crossing over Sydney Park Road	Noted	
	No 34	Park should be connected to the surrounding areas with cycle ways	Noted	
	Nos 37, 40, 47, 48	Builds an underpass connection for walkers and cyclists to St Peters rail station	Noted	
	Nos 37, 50	Installs traffic calming measures for all streets surrounding the Park;	Noted	
<b>City Farm</b>	Nos 5, 9, 11, 30, 33, 35, 36, 42	The Sydney City Farm Community Group, NSW Cancer Council and other submitters: - Support City Farm concept: - Welcome the inclusion of	Noted	

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		<p>permissible uses within the objectives for the Park relating to City Farm;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- support the integration of the Park with other activities in the park such as a childcare centre, cycling, outdoor cafe, farmers markets; and that it is associated with life-long learning</li> <li>- Share information and promotes the use of it.</li> </ul>		
	No 20	Sydney Park Kiosk hopes to find out info on how revenue would be generated for the farm	The City Farm business plan is being finalised and will be presented to Council later this year.	
	No 34	City Farm shouldn't take up too much space	Noted	
	No 38	Hopes to become an important country partner in the City Farm project because we have established community gardens, biodiversity corridors, orchards, composting, water harvesting, re coupling, swales, dams and diffusion systems.	Noted	
	No 39	Creates a maze for children to play in - perhaps with native creepers	Noted	

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		over a built structure rather than trimmed hedges. I saw the beginnings of a hedge maze near the children's play area years ago - but it must have proved too difficult to maintain. I'd like to see a maze suited to the local environment - there are so few and they give a different experience to modern play areas (which are great too)		
	No 45	An aquaponic farm to be included as part of City Farm.	Noted <i>Another way of responding could be:</i> The development of specific enterprises for the City Farm is subject to the development of a business case process. The Plan of Management does not prescribe these, and so it would be pre-emptive to assume an aquaponic farm will be included. <i>(Could we say it is broadly permissible already?)</i>	
<b>Dogs</b>	No 4	Proposes to ban dogs from the park as a whole due to the lack of dog control.	Currently there are no proposals to ban dogs from Sydney Park. However, as part of our regular ranger patrols, and specific projects including the Urban Ecology Strategic	

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			<p>Action Plan and stormwater harvesting and re-use projects, we're proposing a number of initiatives to help manage dogs in the park, including increased education and signage and a separate water play area for dogs. The City works to make public spaces welcoming for everyone, including parents and their children, and people with pets. We encourage people to be aware of each other and share space respectfully. In 2008, Sydney Park was designated an off-leash park in response to strong support from the community. Dog walking continues to be very popular in the park and City staff isn't considering banning dogs. The City Rangers regularly patrol Sydney Park to educate dog owners and enforce the <i>Companion Animals Act</i>. They issue penalty notices to owners who continue to let their dogs roam irresponsibly or enter prohibited areas. Last year the rangers visited Sydney Park more than 1,100 times and issued penalty notices to dog owners who allowed their dogs to enter prohibited areas, including the wetlands.</p>	
	Nos 12, 17	Proposes some (dedicated) areas where dogs are not allowed and on leash such as Wetlands	Noted	
	Nos 10, 13	Proposes a pool, water play areas and water fountains for dogs	Noted The City is currently investigating the feasibility of	

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Trees	No 3	<p>Questions the City's condition rating</p> <p>Page 13, table 3.1 Current Buildings and structures. Ref K Aids Memorial Grove. Disagrees with the PoM that "Current condition: Good". Fails to achieve planting mixed native grasses as stated in the 2006 Master Plan.</p> <p>The park is dominated by <i>Casuarinas</i>. There is no undergrowth or groundcover and presents a depressing vista and increases water runoff.</p>	<p>providing a water play opportunity for pets, which needs to address the compatibility with companion animal health and welfare, wildlife protection and children's play.</p> <p>If a facility proved feasible, it would be a use consistent with the Park category, and could be accommodated by the current plan.</p>	
			<p>This specific area, the AIDS memorial grove, is in relatively good condition. The plants specific to this site are healthy and growing well. As highlighted in the submission, pg 36 of the Sydney Park POM recognises that other areas within the park require greater diversity in plant species and structure.</p> <p>In response to the low value of <i>Casuarinas</i> highlighted; <i>Casuarinas</i> are a distinctive part of the Australian landscape and are important for biodiversity. <i>Casuarina</i> forests do support a wide range of vertebrate and invertebrate fauna. They also typically grow well on nutrient-poor soils and other marginal environments because their roots can produce nitrogen through nodules on that contain special bacteria, this would explain why they particularly do well on reclaimed sites. It is also known that there are very few plants that grow under a <i>casuarina</i> forest, as such ongoing management of <i>Casuarina</i> colonisation is needed to ensure other areas such as the areas highlighted above can support a higher diversity of plant species and structure.</p>	



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	No 31	Concerning his inputs (time, money and water) into Sydenham Green over 10 years will be wasted.	A bush restoration and habitat enhancement program is being developed for priority sites across the LGA. Sydney Park is identified as one of these priority sites and appropriate management practices are being developed to ensure that diverse plantings of indigenous flora species are planted and maintained.	
	No 38	City Farm shouldn't take up too much space	Noted	
<b>Wetland &amp; Water Reuse</b>	No 16	As an irrigation farmer for 30 years, a submitter wrote he was a little nonplussed by the expectation that the "expanded" wetlands would make the park self-sufficient for water requirements. It takes a lot of stored water to irrigate an area the size of the village green just once – let alone throughout the year! Has the storage capacity actually been measured against the projected uses of the water?	The main reason that all of the park irrigation demands can be met is that there is a constant base flow (it flows every day of the year) in Munni Channel (if you go down to Euston Rd near Alan Davidson Oval you will see the constant water flowing in the channel). This constant flow is able to meet all the needs of Sydney Park. The volume of constant base flow is approximately 90 M/Lyr. Council's demands at Sydney Park are in the order of 15ML/yr to 25 ML/yr (depending on irrigation demands during the year). The Sydney Park Water Reuse has been designed for an annual average 35 ML/yr for the park uses. As the flow volume in the channel is constant and is greater than the park demands the irrigation at Sydney Park can be supplied at 100% reliability. Further to this the scheme, under construction, is also able to harvest storm water of	

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			approximately 840 ML/yr (on an annual average basis). The water harvested will be treated through a bio-retention and wetland system that holds approximately 35 ML. The water will be further polished through a treatment system operating at 10 litres/second, stored in header-tanks within the park totalling 20 Kilolitres and supply the park through a charged main. A further 80 Kilolitres of storage is linked to the system via the Sydney Park Depot tanks.	
	No 6	Proposes guttering on the main Brick Kiln to harvest rain water	Noted	
<b>Brick Kilns</b>	No 17	Proposes more community activities within the Brick Kiln	Noted	
	No 29	Propose organised concerts/events in Brick Kiln Precinct	Noted Temporary events are permitted within this area	
	No 32	Pleased to see the Brick works to be preserved. Propose relevant interpretive signage and plaques ( <i>within the Brick Kilns</i> ) which are not there at present.	Noted	
	No 39	Consult with the Sydney Indigenous community about appropriate ways to make Sydney Park a place where Indigenous	Noted	

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		<p>knowledge is celebrated and traditional ownership is acknowledged.</p> <p>Also consult about how the Park can highlight the desperate ongoing need for reparation and reconciliation</p>		
<b>Childcare</b>	No 14	<p>Would you be able to let me know when you expect the new child care centre to be open, the name of the centre, and when it will be possible to put my child's name down on the wait list?</p>	<p>At this stage the childcare centre is in very early stages of the planning process and we don't have an expected opening date for the centre. The planning and construction process normally takes up to 2 years so it may not meet your childcare needs. Once construction of the child care centre is underway and we have appointed an operator we will place information on our website which will give details of how to apply to be on the waiting list.</p>	
	No 35, 36, 42	<p>We support the integration of the Farm with other activities in the park such as a childcare centre, cycling, outdoor cafe, farmers markets; and that it is associated with life-long learning</p>		
	No 49	<p>We note that there are a number of plans for developments in this area, including a child care centre and a city farm. We feel that both would</p>		

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Kiosk	NO 15	<p>be welcome additions to the park but that consideration of the future needs of the SPCC ought to be taken into account when making decisions about the specific locations of these new developments as it is highly likely that the City will require additional space for cycling education in the near future.</p> <p>Lack of music at the Kiosk and Café Furniture not in-keeping with surrounds</p>	<p>We will request BJC to check the Kiosk lease as to whether they are permitted to have amplified music and we will also check as to whether what is in the lease conflicts with the Park's Plan of Management re amplified music, then rectify this in future leasing. Again we will ensure that the provision of appropriate furniture be added to the criteria for future lessees of the Kiosk.</p>	
	No 17	<p>Suggests that recent upgrades degraded cafe / kiosk</p> <p>Being the cafe holder in the park - I would certainly love to see more development of the grounds... In turn I have ideas to enhance the current kiosk concept that is already established</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Great to hear your ideas for Sydney Park kiosk</p>	

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Car parks	No 6	The North Euston Rd carpark should be reopened.	Noted Confirmation req : The car park is temporarily closed for essential infrastructure works	
	No 40	It is impossible to get to the park especially in the school holidays, the car parks are too full much of the time	Noted	
	No 47	Not to create unnecessary car trips into the Park so that it can restrict the growth of the Cycling Centre.	Noted	
	No 28	Parking for new facilities Draft POM, fails to show were parking for such new facilities, would be provided ?	Noted	
Park Management & Cleaning	No 17	Wetland to be cleaned; Litters in the planted areas that has not been picked up for months; degraded and possibly hazardous footpath; broken signage and	Noted	
	No 15	Cleaning of Stainless Pillars (adjacent to Café) of posters	We will instruct our managing agents, Brookfield Johnson Control (BJC), to address this as soon as possible.	

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	No 30	Please be removed road block device which has been left behind on Barwon Park Road and why have large mounds of dirt and previously dumped material been left on site around the southern and middle lakes?	<p>The mounds are part of the construction works and are a result of the managing excavation in Sydney Park which is a land fill site. These mounds will be capped in accordance with the project contamination management plan.</p> <p>The contractor is progressively working through the project to a specific program. Unfortunately we cannot change this program (complete wetland 1, 2 and then 4). However works around wetland 4 are due to commence within the next 3 months and be completed by September this year.</p> <p>I have also forwarded your concerns to our park managers to ensure that that road block devices will be removed after use.</p>	