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Engagement Feedback Table

Improving Beaconsfield Park – Engagement Feedback Table

From 17 May to 14 June 2019, we asked the community for feedback on a concept design for a plan to improve Beaconsfield Park in Beaconsfield. We received 19 submissions during the public exhibition period.

A table of the feedback received is below, with responses from the City provided for each subject raised. We have also included the total amount of times each subject was raised.

Category	Subjects raised	Total	City of Sydney's response
Playground	No play mounds please - too noisy	1	To be further investigated during detail design.
	New play equipment seems to be smaller footprint. Play area too small, should be bigger	1	While the playground footprint may have reduced, the play offering has been increased from what is existing. The proposed playground is now offering nature play (balancing beams and timber steppers in amongst fragrant sensory planting), imaginative play (shop front/server), dynamic play (a double see-saw, two slides and a double swing-set) and active play (climbing nets, climbing bridge, scooter track, play mounds and a fireman's pole).
	Areas for children to explore, climb, sit and jump is important. Small compacted spaces could be used for imaginative play	1	A series of dynamic (moving), active (climbing), imaginative (shop front) and sensory (touch, smell, feel) play elements have been incorporated into the updated concept design. Balancing beams and steppers in amongst sensory and fragrant planting has been included for children to explore. Play mounds and a large play tower with two different height platforms for children 0-11yrs has been included in the design, which will incorporate climbing nets, slides, a shop front and bridge element for children to run, climb and play on. In addition to this, seating walls and bench seats border the play space, providing an area for children and carers to sit and socialise.
	Question increasing paved surfaces for scooter track, when they can already use existing footpaths	1	Following further review and to prevent excessive paved surfaces, the scooter track and pedestrian footpath has been combined.
	No scooter facilities please	1	
	Looks great! Love the kid's seating area & scooter track	1	
	Love the scooter track	1	
Consider removal of skate slope due to noise impacts on residents	2		

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	Concerned skate slope may attract people from outside the neighbourhood and or older children – therefore changing the character of the park	2	Following further review and feedback from the community, the skating slope has been removed from the concept design.
	Like skateboard slope	1	
	Include a skate ramp for older children	1	
	Add metal anti-skate deterrents on proposed low walls	1	To be further investigated in detail design
	Include a picnic turf area in the playground with seats for parents	1	A seating wall and bench seating has been included around the edge of the playground for children and carers to use. In addition to this, a synthetic turf area has been incorporated into the updated playground design.
	Seating wall could be around entire play area so parents can watch from all angles	1	
	Suggest more natural material for play equipment rather than plastic.		To be further investigated in detail design
	Use interesting textures, materials and shapes to help spark creativity.	1	To be further investigated in detail design
	Suggest colourful mosaic/totems/sculpture by local artists that children can interact with. Children love looking at little details/create stories with stimulus like this	1	
	Consider installing a sandpit with water pump	1	This is not being investigated for this site due to the ongoing maintenance requirements.
	Consider including water play	1	
	A sand pit with water pump is a hit with the kids like they have at the old South Sydney Hospital grounds.	1	
	Add a trampoline	2	Due to size limitations of the current playground footprint, opportunity for multiple dynamic (moving) and active (climbing) elements is not possible due to the required fall zones. The incorporation of swings and a play tower with climbing nets and a bridge element has been prioritised in the updated concept design.
	Add monkey bars	1	
Add a spider web climbing net	1		
Add a bridge between the play mounds e.g. as per Sydney Park Playground	1		
Layout	Parents and dog owners will need to watch more exits (balls, skateboards, dogs, children going onto street)	1	Following further investigation, the two middle proposed entryways have been removed from the concept design.
	Current access provides security, safety, confidence. New entrances to the park may cause a problem with dog owners and parents with small children	1	The new ramp entry and stairway from William Street and the realignment of the Queen Street entry in the North-eastern corner have been maintained to improve sight lines and equal access into the park, as well as to active dead-zones.
	Already 3 entrances on Queen Street	1	
	Proposed middle entries not needed	1	
	Already an accessible entry (ramp to tennis courts via William St, Queen St access). Ramp entry reduces the amount of grass	1	
	The wheelchair access ramp is an excellent idea	1	

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	New accessible ramp into park from William Street is very important	1	
	Love the new access paths into the park especially in the middle and on the northern ends	1	
	Accessible ramp entry from William St should be on north western corner where it'll more likely be used by parents near play area	1	<p>The access ramp has been located adjacent the north-western corner of the tennis courts as this provides a direct connection to the primary entrance/access path within the park.</p> <p>In addition to this, the level change at the north-western corner of the park is much greater, meaning the ramp would take up a larger footprint, requiring further tree removal and a reduction in the size of the playground.</p>
	Consider increasing size of shade structure. Not enough shade cloths. Despite trees, play area gets hot. New trees will take a while to provide shade.	6	Shade structure has been increased in size to cover the play equipment in the updated concept design. In addition to this, mature tree plantings will be installed in and around the playground to improve shade cover.
	Add a new water bubbler	4	A new water bubbler has been incorporated into the concept design.
	Make sure the fence is high enough, so children cannot easily get out, but also so dogs cannot enter	1	<p>Following further review, the concept design has been updated to include a low fence to the entire playground perimeter, to provide separation between children and dogs.</p>
	There needs to be a fence to separate the playground & any eating areas from the grassed area. A perimeter fence with gates would be very beneficial	1	
	Fence kids play for families to contain children. Helps keep dogs and balls out.	5	
	Like no fence around the play area	1	
	Fence/wall enclosure to playground remain at a decent height to prevent children running out, dogs entering and act as a noise barrier for residents	3	
	Like low fence, not tall fence.	1	
	Bush land under trees along western boundary unused - could use for seating under the trees	1	
	Consider additional seating	1	
	Leave seating & BBQ area away from dogs, balls, frisbees. Current area off to side/protected slightly by the corner fence/not exposed.	2	<p>Additional seating has been incorporated into the updated concept design. New bench seating has been added to the northern edge of the tennis courts (adjacent the proposed ramp).</p> <p>In addition to this, new seating has been added beneath the trees on the western edge of the park, as well as in and around the playground.</p> <p>Centralising the BBQ area allows parents/carers to better monitor children who may be playing on the grass or within the playground area.</p>
	Concerned new BBQ area may increase paved areas and necessitates large dog fence, therefore dividing the park.	1	<p>In addition to this, it provides more opportunities for birthday parties and gatherings to be held in a safe and central location, away from the roadside – reducing risk of children running out onto the road.</p> <p>Tree planting and garden beds have been incorporated in and around the BBQ area, to</p>
	Great new BBQ facilities.	1	
	Like new central location for BBQ and picnic area.	2	

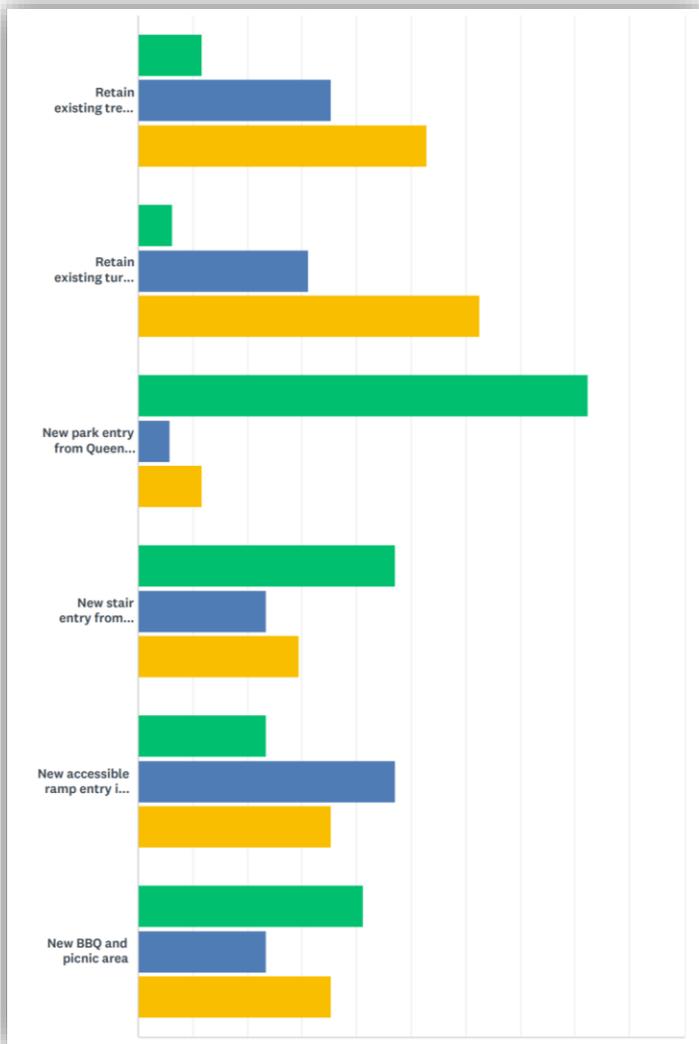
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			soften the paved surfaces, whilst still allowing for adequate pedestrian circulation.
	Reinstate broken bollard to existing vehicular drive way so only Council vehicles enter park.	1	To be investigated in detail design.
	Remove existing big yellow wall.	1	The yellow wall is being removed as part of these upgrade works to improve access and open up sightlines within the park.
Planting	Mature trees would be good	1	To be investigated in detail design.
	Birch trees	2	
	Shady trees	1	
	Request all new trees be indigenous species/native (Native fruit trees)	3	
	Trees/plants with natural repellent (e.g. citronella)	1	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Question tree removal near Queen St entrance. - Willow tree removal seems unnecessary. This access point adds little value to park. - Object to removal of mature peppercorn to accommodate new access point. - Lost many trees (development). 	3	<p>The existing Willow Myrtle tree along the eastern edge of the park (Queen Street edge) must be removed, as the tree is currently in poor health and in advanced stages of decay. It is therefore a priority that this tree be removed as part of these works, to prevent any public safety risks.</p> <p>The updated concept design requires the removal of six (6) trees to improve sightlines and access within the park. The updated concept proposes an additional twelve (12) new trees within the park and playground area.</p>
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Dogs rule”, kids scared to play near grass. -Prefer dogs fenced than children -Can't picnic in park because of dogs. -Bigger play area for kids. -Used much more for dogs than kids - Stop dog ball throwing - hard with walking -Keep dogs out of play space 	4	<p>This is not part of the scope for this work.</p> <p>All feedback received outside the project scope has been passed to the relevant teams for consideration.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Support off leash area but dog poo left around. -Keep it dog friendly 	2	The park will remain as a dog friendly park.
	Possoms living in the park and their habitat needs to be considered	2	<p>To be further investigated as part of detail design.</p> <p>We have passed this feedback onto the Parks Team for consideration.</p>
	Anti-social behaviour witnessed in play area & northern corner of park (along William Street).	1	This corner of the park has been activated with the addition of a new stair entry from William Street and a realigned footpath connecting to Queen Street. By removing the existing yellow retaining wall and hedge along this edge, we have opened up sight lines and surveillance into this space, improving safety.
	What is the timeline for completion?	1	Construction is programmed to start in early 2020
Outside of scope issues	<p>Basketball area:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Would like more work done to the basketball area. -State of the basketball court -Poor lighting around the basketball court 	3	<p>This is not part of the scope for this work.</p> <p>All feedback received outside the project scope has been passed to the relevant teams for consideration.</p>

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	Toilet upgrade	1	This is not part of the scope for this work. All feedback received outside the project scope has been passed to the relevant teams for consideration.
	Improve rubbish removal from the bins, dog poo bags	2	This is not part of the scope for this work. All feedback received outside the project scope has been passed to the relevant teams for consideration.
	Community (herb/vegetable) garden	4	This is not part of the scope for this work. For information about how to start a community garden please visit https://www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/community/participation/community-gardens
	William St frontage treatment: -Stepping down entire wall frontage to reduce barrier to St, improve visual connectivity to park & general amenity along footpath	1	This is not part of the scope for this work. All feedback received outside the project scope has been passed to the relevant teams for consideration.
	Exercise zone/gym for teens and adults. E.g. Turruwul Park	8	This is not part of the scope for this work. All feedback received outside the project scope has been passed to the relevant teams for consideration.
	-Garden plants always die - Do not need replanting, grass needs watering system. Almost all dust in summer -What can be done to keep grass in better condition? -Lawn sprinkler system would benefit - grass never watered -Existing turf and sand in poor condition -Improve maintenance of sand and turf and replace	5	This is not part of the scope for this work. All feedback received outside the project scope has been passed to the relevant teams for consideration.
	-Replace grass with better all-weather grass.	3	This is not part of the scope for this work. All feedback received outside the project scope has been passed to the relevant teams for consideration.
	The park doesn't need upgrade. Spend money on bike paths and street flooding problems locally	1	This is not part of the scope for this work. All feedback received outside the project scope has been passed to the relevant teams for consideration.
	-Need decent lighting. Currently ineffective. -Poor around park perimeter	7	We have carried out a lighting audit. City lights that are non-compliant will be upgraded.

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	-Will increase safety, reduce tripping (holes), increase after work activities, and deter antisocial behaviour.		If the lighting falls out of this scope of works, we will notify the Parks Team and recommend upgrade/improvement.
	-Low lighting of paths preferred -Facilitate crossing park at night without causing light pollution.	2	If the lighting is not the City's, we will notify the owner and recommend upgrade/improvement.
	Tennis club area: - Needs a full upgrade (more drinking fountains) - Double gates N/W corner of tennis courts sometimes open for community access for events. Good to have this community accessibility from the park side. Wheelchair tennis events held but not sure of the accessibility re toilets, courts, parking. Good to make accessible.		This is not part of the scope for this work. All feedback received outside the project scope has been passed to the relevant teams for consideration.

Online feedback form - rating elements of the proposed upgrade

Respondents who completed the online feedback form were asked to rate how important elements of the proposed design were to them. The results are below.

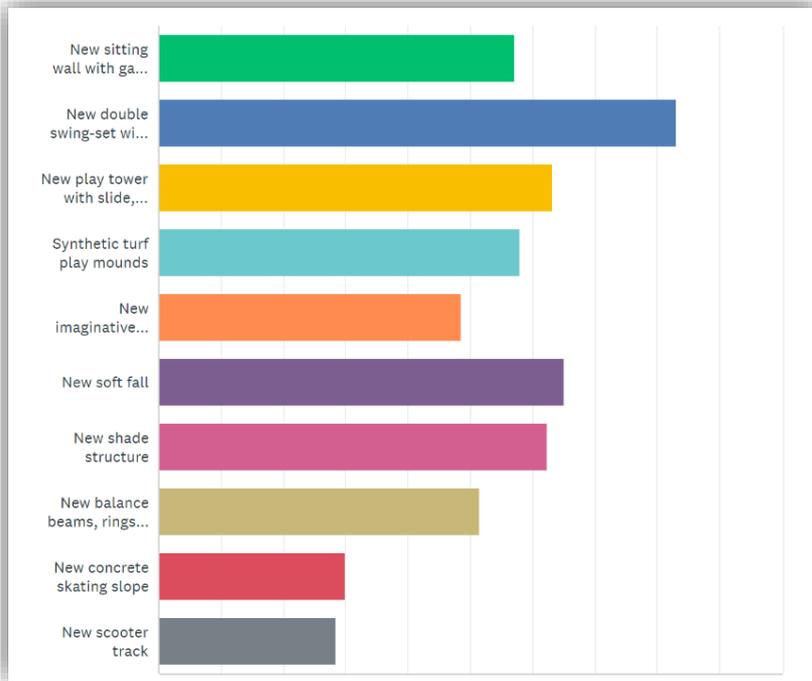


■ Not important
 ■ Important
 ■ Very important

	NOT IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	VERY IMPORTANT	TOTAL RESPONDENTS
Retain existing trees and planting	11.76% 2	35.29% 6	52.94% 9	17
Retain existing turf area	6.25% 1	31.25% 5	62.50% 10	16
New park entry from Queen Street	82.35% 14	5.88% 1	11.76% 2	17
New stair entry from William Street	47.06% 8	23.53% 4	29.41% 5	17
New accessible ramp entry into park from William Street	23.53% 4	47.06% 8	35.29% 6	17
New BBQ and picnic area	41.18% 7	23.53% 4	35.29% 6	17

Online feedback form – ranking favourite parts of the proposed new playground

Respondents who completed the online feedback form were also asked to rank their favourite parts of the new playground from 1-3 (1 = favourite, 3 = least favourite). This question was made optional. The results are below.



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	TOTAL	SCORE
New sitting wall with gates to form playground fence	14.29% 2	28.57% 4	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	7.14% 1	14.29% 2	14.29% 2	14.29% 2	7.14% 1	14	5.71
New double swing-set with strap and bucket seat	23.08% 3	46.15% 6	7.69% 1	7.69% 1	0.00% 0	7.69% 1	7.69% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	13	8.31
New play tower with slide, climbing nets, shop front and imaginative play panels	7.69% 1	7.69% 1	23.08% 3	15.38% 2	7.69% 1	7.69% 1	15.38% 2	15.38% 2	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	13	6.31
Synthetic turf play mounds	14.29% 2	0.00% 0	21.43% 3	21.43% 3	0.00% 0	7.14% 1	0.00% 0	7.14% 1	28.57% 4	0.00% 0	14	5.79
New imaginative play area with play tables and stools	7.14% 1	0.00% 0	7.14% 1	0.00% 0	28.57% 4	14.29% 2	14.29% 2	14.29% 2	0.00% 0	14.29% 2	14	4.66
New soft fall	7.14% 1	21.43% 3	0.00% 0	14.29% 2	21.43% 3	21.43% 3	7.14% 1	7.14% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	14	6.50
New shade structure	30.77% 4	0.00% 0	23.08% 3	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	23.08% 3	7.69% 1	0.00% 0	15.38% 2	13	6.23
New balance beams, rings and steppers	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	7.69% 1	30.77% 4	15.38% 2	7.69% 1	7.69% 1	23.08% 3	0.00% 0	7.69% 1	13	5.15
New concrete skating slope	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	7.69% 1	15.38% 2	7.69% 1	0.00% 0	7.69% 1	30.77% 4	30.77% 4	13	3.00
New scooter track	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	7.69% 1	0.00% 0	7.69% 1	7.69% 1	7.69% 1	7.69% 1	23.08% 3	38.46% 5	13	2.85