



Keysborough South
Community Hub Proposed New Playground
(Final Concept)
Consultation Summary
Report

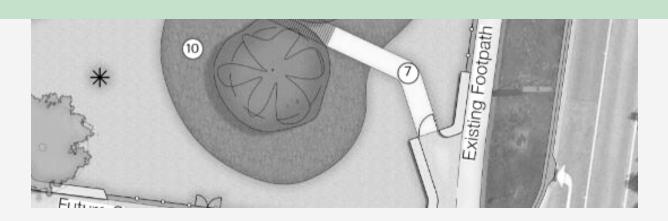
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#### **GREATER DANDENONG COUNCIL**

Greater Dandenong City Council asked the community to have their say on the Final Concept Plan for the new neighbourhood playground at the Keysborough South Community Hub at Tatterson Park.

The consultation was open for a six-week period from **23 February - 31 March 2021.** Due to COVID-19 restrictions, face-to-face meetings and in-park consultations were unable to occur.

Various methods were used to promote and seek feedback on the final concept plan. Refer to page 2 to view the concept plan.

#### The consultation included:

- Notification posters within Tatterson Park
- Information on Council's website
- Online survey via Survey Monkey
- Social Posts on Facebook and LinkedIn
- Mail Out
- Emails sent out to those who had previously submitted responses to earlier stages of the project.

## **CONCEPT PLAN**

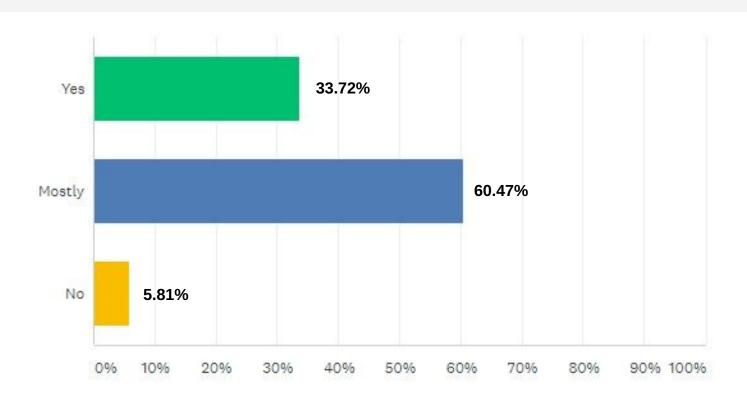


## **RESULTS**

#### Council received

• 83 survey responses

# 1 - Do you agree with the concept plan Council has developed?



### **RESULTS CONTINUED**

# 2 - If you answered 'mostly' or 'no' please explain your reasons why

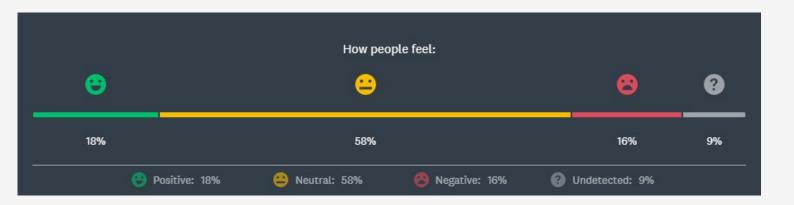
- Would like to see more shade for the kids, trees are fine but won't be fully grown for some time and also not always close enough to play areas to make a difference. Consider some shade sails such as the Ants Playground nearby.
- Water play is missing in most of our playgrounds. A tiny section is in Tatterson Park. I'd be more inclined to make this more geared toward young children (0-5) as most playgrounds don't accommodate the smallest community members.
- A water feature in the play area will be good.
- Looks boring and needs more play equipment and more sports facilities instead there is already half-court basketball down the road at Ian Tatterson. How about tennis court or wall? Kids love climbing hills how about a big hill with a slide?
- Would like an all sports area for the older kids not just basketball
- Needs one more bbq and normal swings set.

Note: 29/83 respondees mentioned the lack of water-play





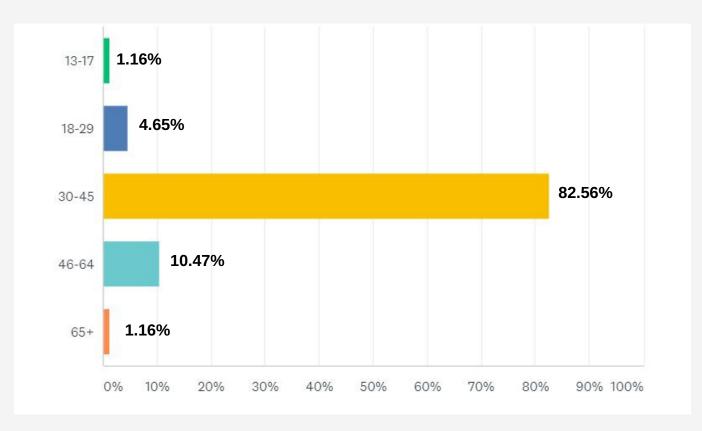
### 3 - Additional Comments?



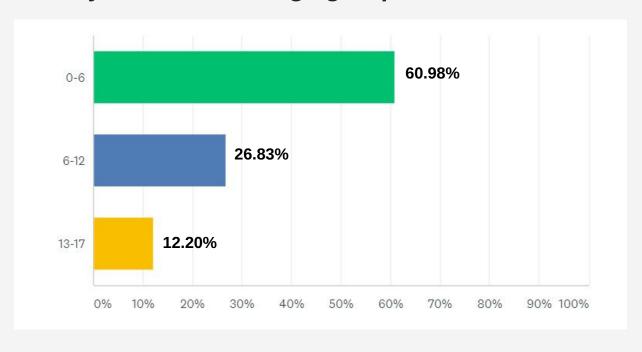
- A water play area would be a fantastic addition to the park. Shade BBQ areas would also be great.
- Please think of all age groups of children.
- Are the toilets in the community hub going to be accessible at all times? If not, then then toilet/family change room facilities need to be built for park user access.
- I really love the auditory sensory aspects of the park!
- Interactive experiences add so much to the young children's development. Let's think differently instead of it becoming a same same experience.
- Water play park would be awesome!
- Even a sand pit area with some little diggers would be cool or even better a water park little area would be amazing.
- I love the design and the ideas for inclusive all around age types. I'd like to see a few more tables and chairs for seating. Why? I'd like to think we can also use the external areas for community group to gather.......It seems the seating is limited in the area.

## **RESULTS CONTINUED**

## 4 - What is your age group?



## 5 - What is your children's age group?



## 6 - Postcode of respondees

All respondees gave their postcode of 3173 (Keysborough)

## Council's Response to Comments Raised

#### **SUMMARY**

Of the 83 responses to the survey, there were 66 respondents who provided additional comments and ideas for the playground. In summary, there were seven main themes that emerged regarding improvements to the playground design. These related to the following:

- 1. The inclusion of water play or water sensory play 29 comments
- 2. The basketball court area request for a full size court and diversifying the half court to allow for soccer goals 13 comments
- 3. The need for more shade 9 comments
- 4. Full size tennis court / rebound wall 9 comments
- 5. The need for more seating, picnic tables and bbqs 7 comments
- 6. The inclusion of swings 5 comments
- 7. The inclusion of a trampoline 4 comments

In addition, there were a small number of separate comments provided. These comments have been summarised later in this report.

## Council's Response to Comments Raised

#### **COUNCIL RESPONSE TO THESE SEVEN THEMES**

Community Comment: Water play / sensory play

#### **Council Response:**

A small component of water sensory play that is suited to the size and scale of this neighbourhood level playground will be included in the revised design for this playground.

The inclusion of sand play as part of the water sensory play component will also be incorporated into the revised design.

As further information, water sensory play has been recently constructed as part of the upgraded Tatterson Park World of Insects Playground, which is a district level playground.

Community Comment: Full-sized basketball court and diversifying the half court to allow for soccer goals

#### **Council Response:**

A full-size basketball court will not fit within the Keysborough South Community Hub play area. The Tatterson Park Master Plan proposes a full-size basketball court within another area of the park.

However, a fusion soccer / basketball goal will be added to the revised design for the half court.

**Community Comment: Tennis court or tennis hit up wall** 

#### **Council Response:**

A tennis hit up wall is not included in this design as it is not part of a neighbourhood playground and will also not fit within the scope area of the project. Tennis courts are also not part of the adopted Tatterson Park Master Plan. A tennis wall will be considered as a future idea in another area of Tatterson Park in accordance with the park master plan.

## Council's Response to Comments Raised

**Community Comment: Provision of more shade** 

**Council Response:** The revised design will include opportunities for the provision of additional shade with tree planting and shelters.

Community Comment: More BBQ facilities, picnic tables and seating areas

#### **Council Response:**

The design of the bbq and picnic area will be reviewed to include additional bbqs, picnic tables and seating.

Other areas of the playground and park will also be reviewed to consider opportunities for additional picnic tables and seating.

**Community Comment: More swings** 

#### **Council Response:**

A swing set will be included in the revised design of the playground.

**Community Comment: Trampoline** 

**Council Response:** The playground layout will be reviewed to see whether the inclusion of a small trampoline can be included in the updated design.

Trampolines are included in the future next stage of the Tatterson Park Insect Playground upgrade.

## Council's Response to Comments Raised

#### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS PROVIDED BY THE COMMUNITY:

Community Comment: Are the toilets in the community hub going to be accessible at all times?

**Council Response:** The toilets will be accessible during the opening hours of the community hub.

Community Comment: Public art - inclusion of Indigenous culture and history of the area and opportunity for community involvement in art

**Council Response:** The idea for the inclusion of indigenous culture and community involvement into a future public art project for this precinct will be provided to council's public arts team.

**Community Comment: Skate park** 

#### **Council Response:**

A skate park is not supported for a neighbourhood level playground.

Community Comment: Swimming pool / water play park

**Council Response:** A swimming pool or a water play park are not supported as both ideas are outside the scope of a neighbourhood level playground and the scope of this project. A small component of water sensory play will be included in the revised design to suit the size of the playground.

**Community Comment: A flying fox** 

#### Council Response:

A flying fox will not be included in this neighbourhood playground as it is too large to fit within this playground area. There is a flying fox at the Tatterson Park World of Insects district playground.

**Community Comment: Community cafe** 

#### **Council Response:**

A community cafe is outside the scope of this neighbourhood playground project.

## **Next Steps**

The main themes and ideas that emerged from the community's comments to the survey have provided council officers with clear direction on the design improvements and opportunities that are required to finalise the neighbourhood playground design.

As an outcome of the comments and council officer's assessment of the feasibility of the ideas, the following elements will be addressed and included in the revised final design.

#### These elements are:

- Water sensory play and a sand pit with play elements.
- The half court will have a fusion soccer / basketball goal to diversify the ball game options.
- · Increased shade will be provided
- The design of the bbq and picnic area layout will be reviewed to include additional bbqs, tables and seating areas. More options for additional seating and picnic tables will also be included in other areas of the playground
- · Traditional swings will be included
- The inclusion of a trampoline will be built into the revised design.