

The Parkway Reserve Playspace

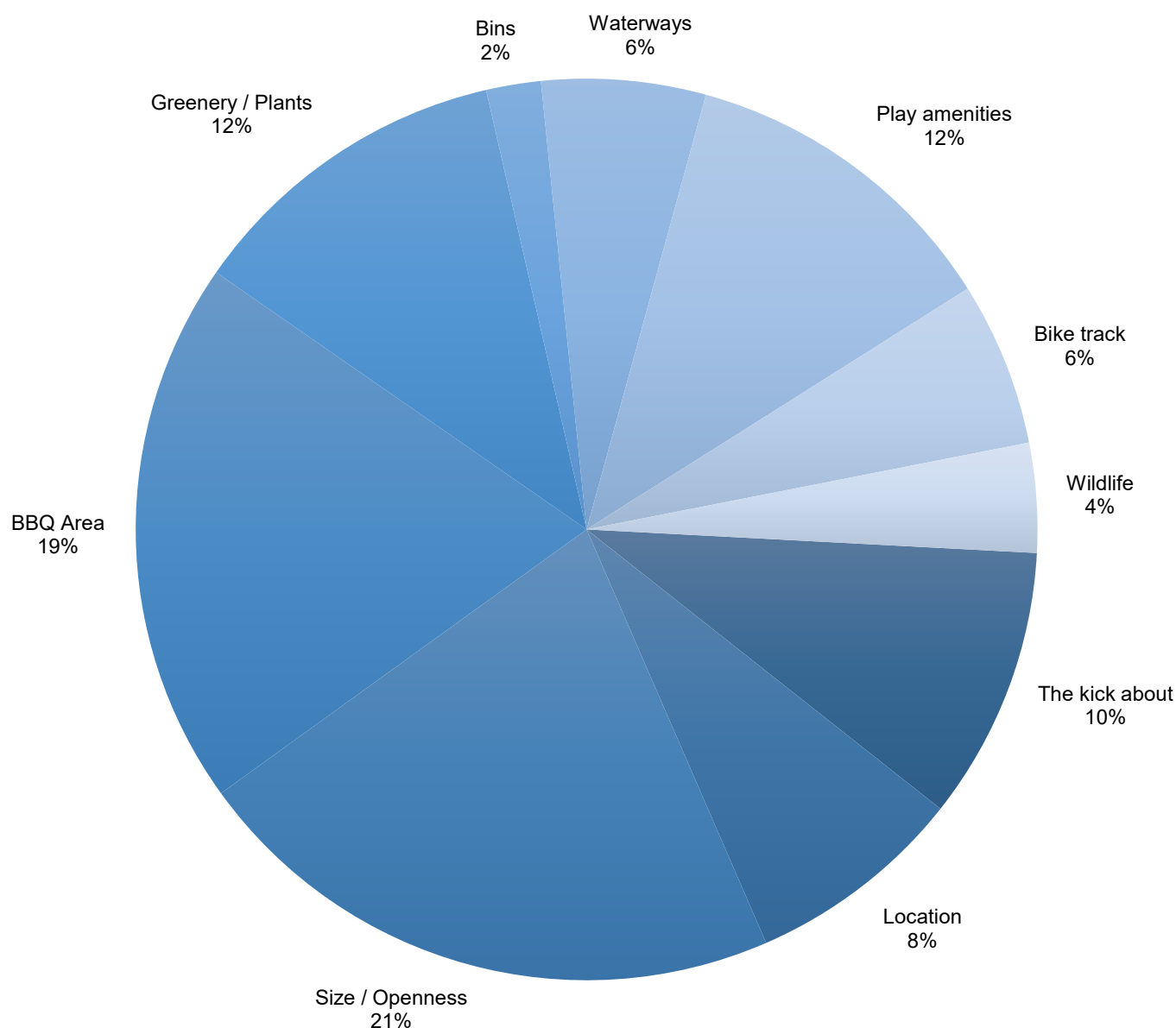
Community Feedback

Between the 31 July and 26 August 2022 Melton City Council shared with the local community of The Parkway Reserve, Caroline Springs a proposed landscape plan to upgrade the existing park.

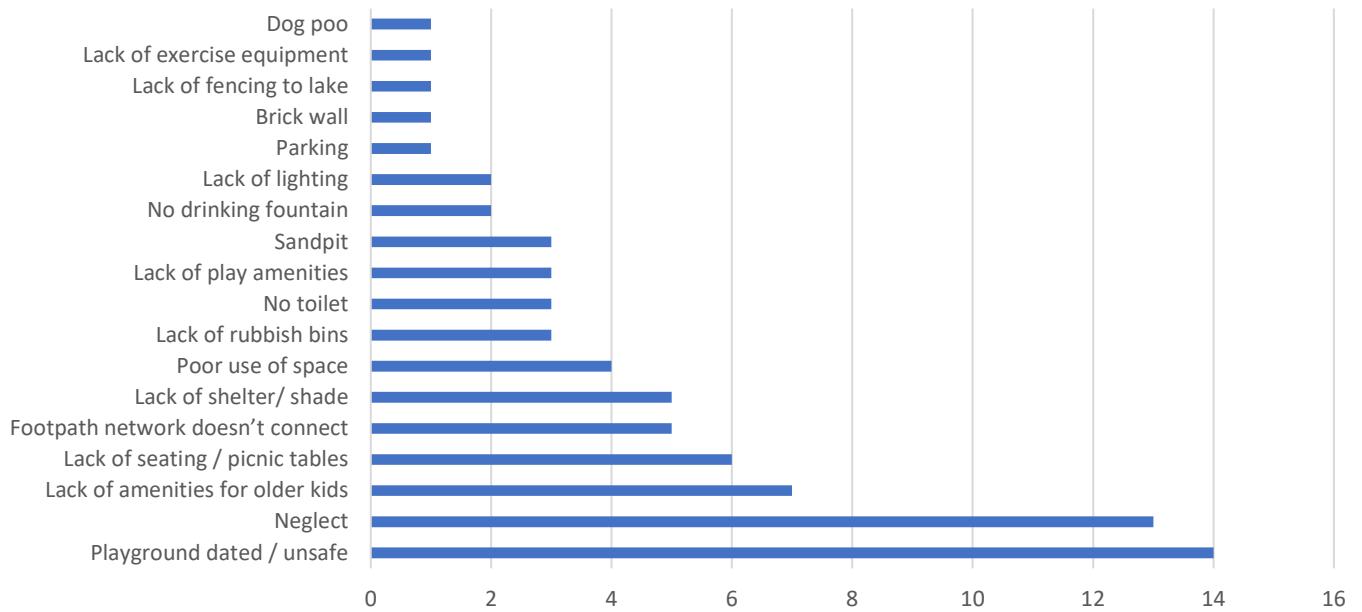
Feedback was collected via an online survey, a hard copy flyer, email and at a weekend session held at Sovereign Boulevard Reserve. Below is a summary of the feedback that was collected.

This feedback helps Council to understand what is important to the community and why, as well as identify any other opportunities for improvements. 36 responses have been received and the feedback is reviewed and will be used to update the park design.

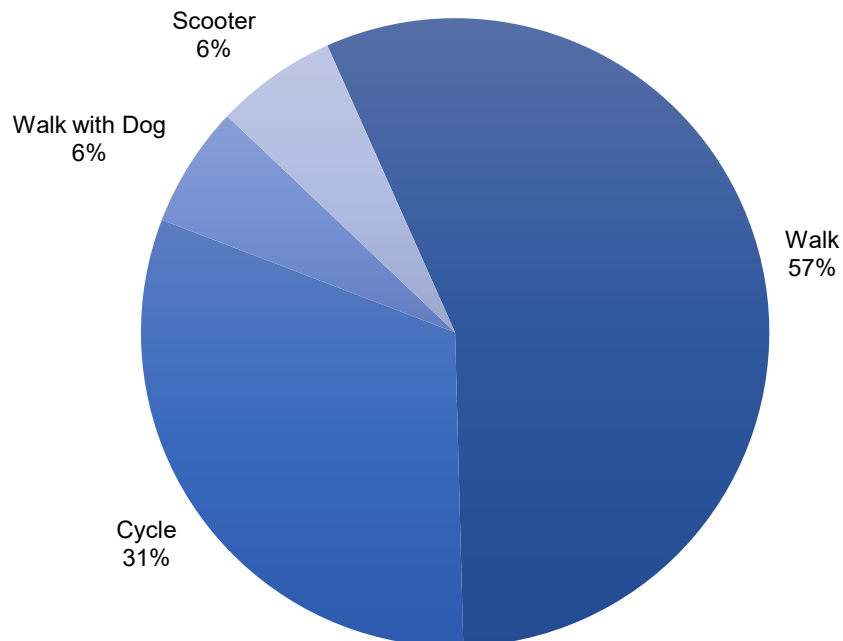
What the community loved about the park in its current form?



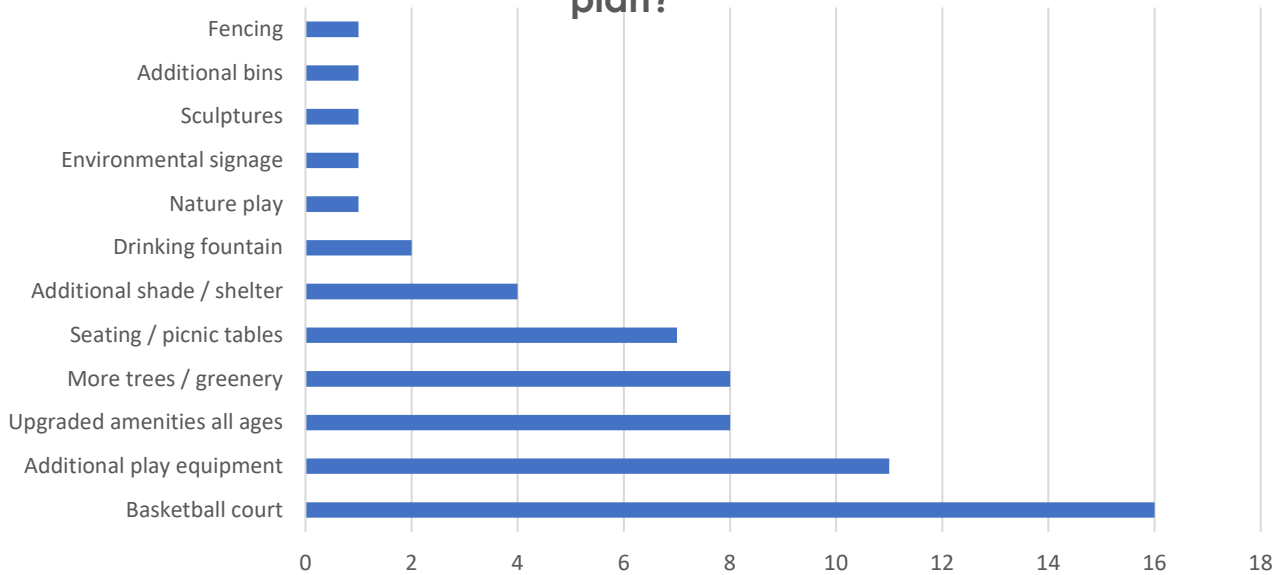
What the community didn't like about the park in its current form?



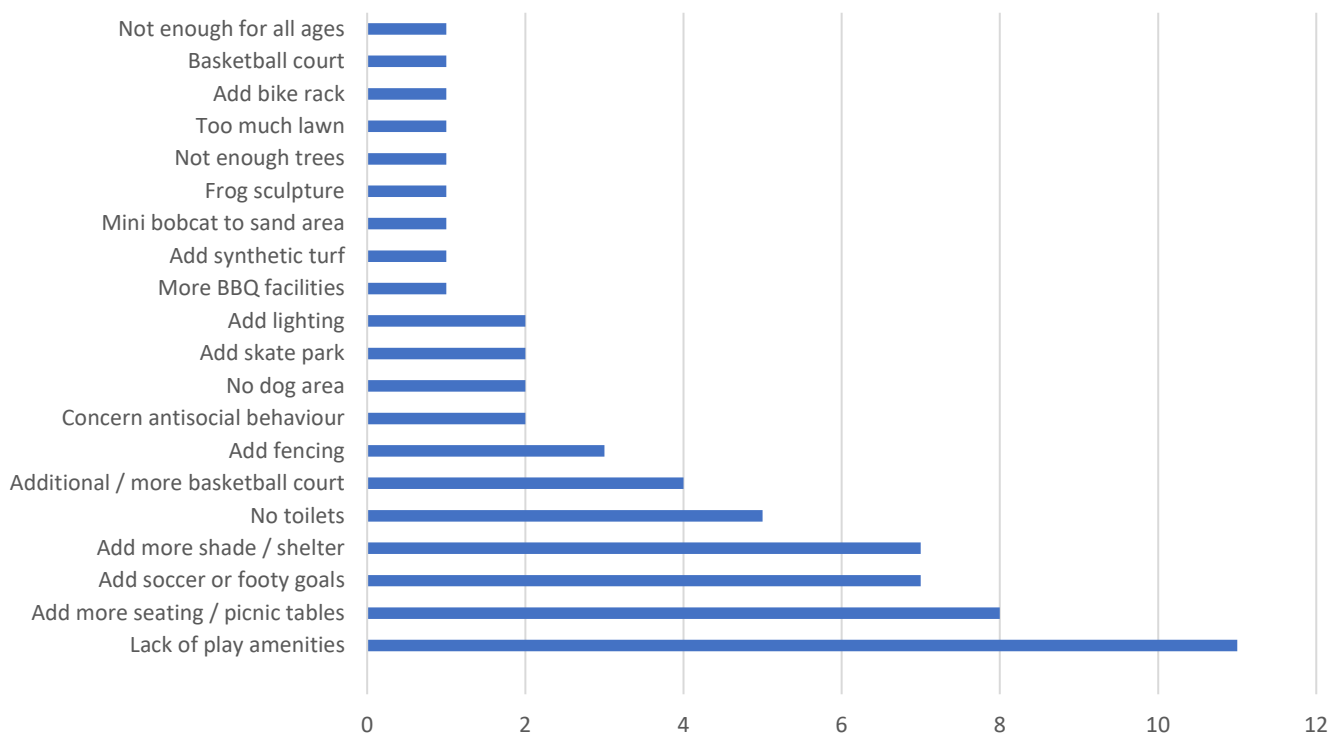
How the community travels to the park?



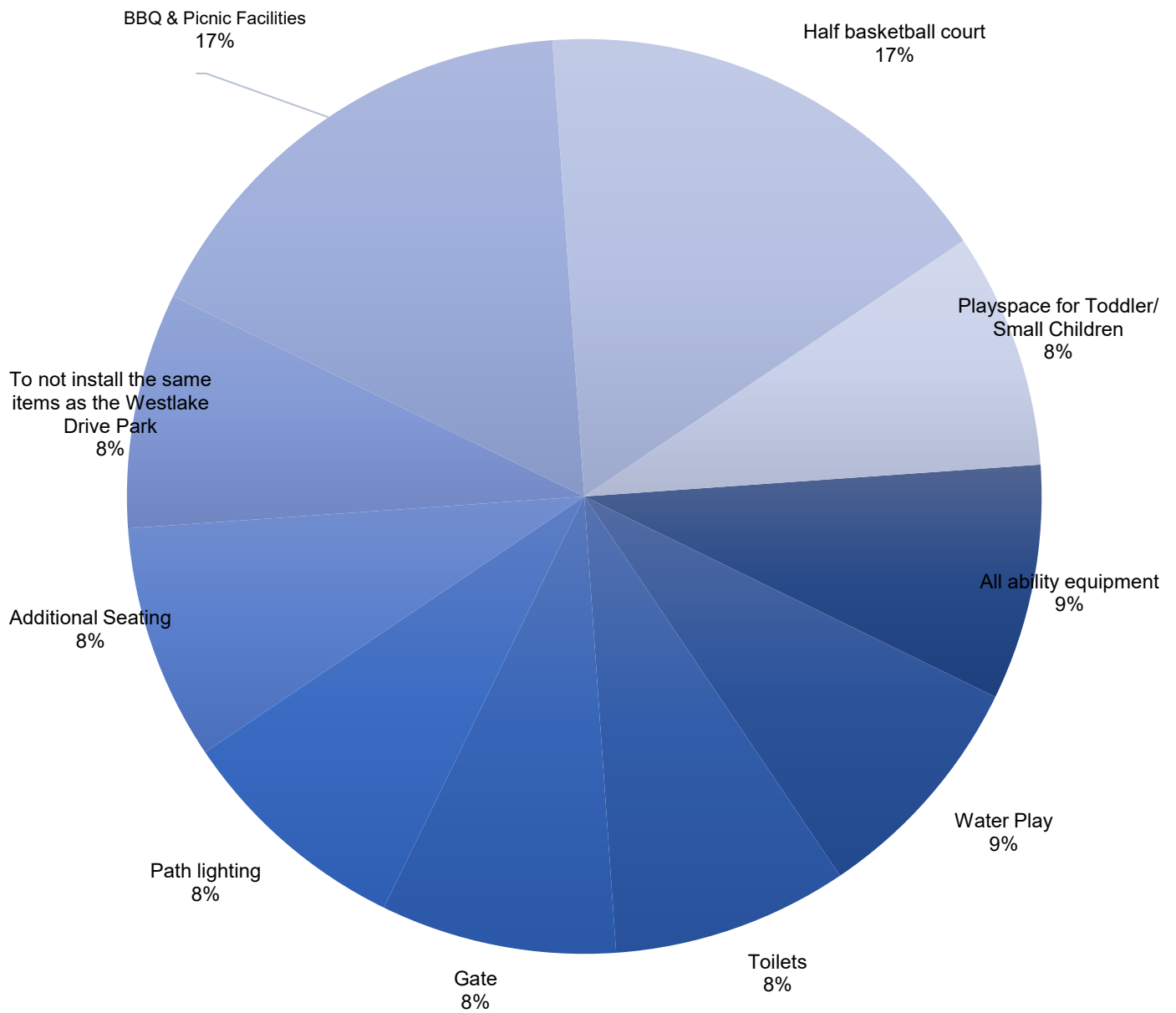
What the community likes about the proposed landscape plan?



What the community doesn't like about the proposed landscape plan?



The communities suggestions for other improvement?



The below table is a summary of the communities suggestions and other feedback received. Council have reviewed these responses and provided a response as it related to the projects purpose and budget.

Subject	Community Feedback	Melton City Council Review Response
Playspace	The park lacks modern features and the children playground is very old and in poor condition	This will be considered in the development of the design.
	Include sensory things like spinning seats/ higher climbing options. Larger slides and more swings	This will be considered in the development of the design.
	Include seating for near the playground	This will be considered in the development of the design.
	Add a small basketball court area or small skate park area for skateboarding or bikes/ scooters.	This will be considered in the development of the design.
	Big long slides	This will be considered in the development of the design.
Picnic Space	Install a BBQ	This will be considered in the development of the design.
	Install a shade and picnic tables	This will be considered in the development of the design.
Vegetation	Provide more shade	This will be considered in the development of the design.
	Provide diverse native trees other plants	This will be considered in the development of the design.
	Improve grass surface	This will be considered in the development of the design.
Park Facilities	Include more seating	This will be considered in the development of the design.
	Include a drinking fountain	If the budget allows, this will be considered in the development of the design.
	Include toilets	Toilets are typically installed in large reserves that expect a great number of visitors, who often drive to the Park. This park is classified as a Local Park, providing open space close to peoples homes where they can use there own facilities. Toilets are also very expensive and would require majority of this projects budget.
	Lighting to picnic area	Typically only shared paths are lit. The boundary footpaths with street lighting should provide sufficient safe passage. We also want to avoid attracting anti-social activity at night.
	In the Kick-about area perhaps a soccer goal could be put at south end and an AFL set of goals could be put at the north end to make the area more attractive to using for sports and kicking a ball around.	This will be considered in the development of the design.
	Provide a fence for safety along waterway	This will be considered in the development of the design.
	Provide a dog off lead space	Melton City Council is preparing a Dog Off Lead Strategy that looks at the appropriate locations and distribution of dog off lead spaces.
	The kickabout could be converted to an enclosed off-leash dog area. I have to drive to Deer Park or Hillside. The Hillside dog area attracts horrid people who don't pick up after their dogs, and we have had to leave several times due to aggressive dogs and owners who do nothing.	Melton City Council is preparing a Dog Off Lead Strategy that looks at the appropriate locations and distribution of dog off lead spaces and dispensers.
	I don't see the purpose of having the gravel area there, why not utilise this space for either	If the budget allows, this will be considered in the development of the design.

	more play equipment or seating etc could go there rather than just a pointless gravel area. Maybe some interactive musical play equipment could go here?	
Other Comments	Improve bridge work and improve fencing on west side as there are cliffs not barricaded and risk injury	If the budget allows, this will be considered in the development of the design.
	Needs regular maintenance of the lawn area & play area	Melton City Council has dedicated maintenance contractors that are tasked with
	Providing exercise equipment for adults to use will be great, a park is for everyone not just children	This will be considered in the development of the design.
	Please ensure the existing playground area where the swings and mini flying fox are is refreshed and please heavily oil or fix that squeaky swing that can be heard each day. Thanks!	This will be considered in the development of the design.
	I would like a dog area, improved lighting. Will there be security cameras?	Council will consider how anti-social activity can be deterred in the development of the playground. Council Policy does not support lighting and cameras in "Local" reserves.
	Would love to see 'dog poo' dispenser areas	Melton City Council is preparing a Dog Off Lead Strategy that looks at the appropriate locations and distribution of dog off lead spaces and dispensers. No dispensers will be considered in this reserve at this time.
	what else can be installed or equipped to make the park more challenging for older children and teens? Is a half court basketball playground enough? Is it possible to turn the extra large lawn area into a skate playground?	This will be considered in the development of the design.
	Bridge north of park needs a bit of work Waterway looks a bit rough	This will be considered in the development of the design.
	Make sure balls can't go to the road from the kickabout, keep vandals out, lighting	This will be considered in the development of the design. Council typically only lights shared pathways.
	The have more sports or exercise equipment/amenities for the kids & young adults	This will be considered in the development of the design.
	Issues with trail bikes	Council will consider how anti-social activity can be deterred in the development of the design.
	Waterway looks a bit rough	The waterway is not currently included in the scope of the playground works.
	Provide parking	Parking is not part of the scope of the State Government funding agreement. Typically vehicle parking is not a feature of "Local" parks. Future civil works may be considered through engineering services.