

17 JULY 2019

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**NOTICE OF MEETING**

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You are advised of the following meeting:

**TUESDAY 23 JULY 2019.**

**Ordinary Meeting of Council Meeting No. 7/19**

**Council Chambers, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde - 7.00pm**

## English

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## Chinese

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## Farsi

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## Korean

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**Meeting Date:** Tuesday 23 July 2019  
**Location:** Council Chambers, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde  
**Time:** 7.00pm

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**1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 25 June 2019**

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**Report prepared by:** Civic Services Manager**File No.:** CLM/19/1/1/2 - BP19/637

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice, a motion or discussion with respect to such minutes shall not be in order except with regard to their accuracy as a true record of the proceedings.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting 6/19, held on 25 June 2019 be confirmed.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 MINUTES - Ordinary Council Meeting - 25 June 2019



**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**Council Meeting  
MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 6/19**

**Meeting Date:** Tuesday 25 June 2019  
**Location:** Council Chambers, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde  
**Time:** 7.00pm

**Councillors Present:** The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Lane, Maggio, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou.

**Apologies:** Nil.

**Staff Present:** General Manager, Director – Customer and Community Services, Director – Corporate Services, Director – City Planning and Environment, Director – City Works, General Counsel, Chief Financial Officer, Manager – Communications and Engagement, Manager – Community and Ranger Services, Manager – Library Services, Manager – Parks, Manager – Urban Strategy, Senior Coordinator – Strategic Planning, Senior Coordinator – Communications, Senior Coordinator – Community Engagement, Team Leader – Community Services, Communications Coordinator, Civic Services Manager and Civic Support Officer.

**PRAYER**

Reverend Brendan Handel from the Ryde Baptist Church was present and offered prayer prior to the commencement of the meeting.

**NATIONAL ANTHEM**

The National Anthem was sung prior to the commencement of the meeting.

**PROCEDURAL MOTION – ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Yedelian OAM)

That Council now consider the following Items prior to Public Participation, the time being 7.07pm:-

- Notice of Motion 4 – Condolences on the Passing of Doris Carrall
- Item 3 – Items Put Without Debate

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

**4 CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF DORIS CARRALL - Councillor Christopher Gordon**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Gordon and Pedersen)

- (a) That Standing Orders be Suspended and Council observe a minutes silence as a mark of respect.
- (b) That a donation of \$500 to be funded from general revenue be sent to Arthritis NSW on behalf of the Mayor, Councillors and staff of the City of Ryde in memory of Doris Carrall.

**Record of the Voting**

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: A minutes silence was then observed.

**RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Gordon)

That Standing Orders be Resumed, the time being 7.12pm.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

The Mayor, Councillor Laxale disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 4(3) – Small Grants – Allocation of Funding, Round 1, 2019 for the reason that his daughters play netball for the member club of ERNA.

Councillor Pedersen disclosed a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Deferred Notice of Motion 1 – New Nominee for the Bicycle Advisory Committee for the reason that she knows the nominee for the Committee who is a close friend.

Councillor Pedersen disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 4(3) – Small Grants – Allocation of Funding, Round 1, 2019 for the reason that she was on the founding committee of Light up East Ryde who were applying for a community grant.

## **ITEM 1 (continued)**

## **ATTACHMENT 1**

Councillor Maggio disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Notice of Motion 7 – Naming of 1<sup>st</sup> Putney Scouts Hall in Honour of Alison Small for the reason that his daughter is volunteering at Putney Scouts.

Councillor Purcell disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 4(3) – Small Grants – Allocation of Funding, Round 1, 2019 for the reason that he has business dealings with the Sir Roden Cutler Foundation and while he is not directly involved with this matter, he does see this entity regularly.

Councillor Brown disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 4(3) – Small Grants – Allocation of Funding, Round 1, 2019 for the reason that he is a member on the Friends of Lane Cove National Park Organisation.

Councillor Kim disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 4(3) – Small Grants – Allocation of Funding, Round 1, 2019 for the reason that he is aware of the Korean Cultural Centre Organisation, however, has no affiliation.

## **TABLING OF PETITIONS**

No Petitions were tabled.

## **PRESENTATION OF GOLD AWARD AT THE 2019 AUSTRALASIAN REPORTING AWARDS (ARA) FOR THE 2017/2018 ANNUAL REPORT**

The Mayor, Councillor Laxale presented Council staff with the Gold Award for Council's 2017/2018 Annual Report. This is the ninth year in a row that the City of Ryde has won the Gold Award for its Annual Report at the Australasian Reporting Awards (ARA).

## **COUNCIL REPORTS**

### **3 ITEMS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

That Council adopt Items 1, 2, 5, 5(1), 5(3), 5(4), 5(5), 5(6), 6, 6(1), 6(3), 7, Notice of Motion 5, Notice of Motion 6 and Notice of Motion 11 on the Council Agenda as per the recommendations in the reports.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 28 May 2019**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting 5/19, held on 28 May 2019 be confirmed.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**2 DEFERRED REPORT: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 30 April 2019**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting 4/19, held on 30 April 2019 be confirmed.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**5 REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING 5/19 held on 11 June 2019**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

That Council determine Items 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of the Finance and Governance Committee Meeting 5/19, held on 11 June 2019, noting that Item 2 – Items Put Without Debate is not required to be considered by Council.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Finance and Governance  
Committee Meeting held on 14 May 2019**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

That the Minutes of the Finance and Governance Committee 4/19, held on 14 May 2019, be confirmed.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**3 INVESTMENT POLICY AND GUIDELINES - REVIEW**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

That Council adopt the revised 2019 Investment Policy and Guidelines.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**4 PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURES INTERNAL REPORTING  
PROCEDURE**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

- (a) That Council endorses the amendment of section 21 (3) of the Public Interest Disclosures Internal Reporting Procedure to ensure that the Procedure is consistent with the requirements of the *Public Interest Disclosures Act 1994*.
- (b) That Council authorises the General Manager to amend the list of staff nominated as Disclosures Officers within the Public Interest Disclosures Internal Reporting Procedure from time to time.
- (c) That Council authorises the General Manager to review the Public Interest Disclosures Internal Reporting Procedure to ensure that the Procedure remains consistent with the *Public Interests Disclosures Act 1994*, and to make administrative changes to the Procedure, with all significant administrative changes to be reported back to Council.
- (d) That the General Manager organise a Councillor Workshop on the Public Interest Disclosures Internal Reporting Procedure.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**5 AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

That Council approve the revised Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Terms of Reference.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**6 REPORTS DUE TO COUNCIL**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

That the report on Outstanding Council Reports be endorsed.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**6 REPORT OF THE RYDE CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING 5/19 held on 11 June 2019**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

That Council determine Items 1 and 3 of the Ryde Central Committee Meeting 5/19, held on 11 June 2019, noting that Item 2 – Items Put Without Debate is not required to be considered by Council..

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Ryde Central Committee Meeting held on 14 May 2019**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

That the Minutes of the Ryde Central Committee Meeting 4/19, held on 14 May 2019, be confirmed.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**3 RYDE CENTRAL PROJECT UPDATE**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

That Council receives and notes this report.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

**5 STUDENT ROAD SAFETY OUTSIDE HOLY CROSS COLLEGE AND ST CHARLES PRIMARY SCHOOL - VICTORIA ROAD, GLADESVILLE - Councillor Penny Pedersen**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

- (a) That the Mayor write to the Premier of NSW, The Honourable Gladys Berejiklian MP and the Minister for Transport and Roads, The Honourable Andrew Constance MP requesting:-
- (i) That the RMS carry out a pedestrian safety audit on Victoria Road and Potts Street, Gladesville, outside Holy Cross College and St Charles Primary School.
  - (ii) That suitable pedestrian safety barriers be erected along the Victoria Road median strip, directly outside the Holy Cross school, to prevent students from crossing Victoria Road outside of the pedestrian lights.
  - (iii) That suitable pedestrian safety barriers be erected along the south side of Victoria Road alongside St Charles Primary School, where students from Holy Cross College line up to catch buses travelling west, to prevent them falling into traffic.
  - (iv) That the State Government consider aiding traffic flow and increasing student safety by building a pedestrian lift and footbridge over Victoria Road at the Cressy Road/Potts Street/Victoria Road intersection or appropriate site close-by.
- (b) That the General Manager forward a copy of this letter to:-
- The Honourable Penny Sharpe MLC – Acting leader of the NSW opposition
  - The Honourable Jodi Mackay MP – Shadow Minister for Transport and Roads

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

- The Honourable Anthony Roberts MP – Member for Lane Cove
- Mr Phillip Stewart – Principal of Holy Cross College
- Mr Peter Watkins – Principal of St Charles Primary School

**Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**6 GLYPHOSATE USE IN THE CITY OF RYDE - Councillor Penny Pedersen**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

That, given recent publicity and community concerns regarding the use of products containing Glyphosate for weed control, the General Manger bring back to Council a report outlining:

- (a) The use of herbicides that contain Glyphosate in all City of Ryde Council owned and managed areas.
- (b) A list of herbicides and procedures and their estimated cost to implement at the City of Ryde, that are effective in controlling weeds which could be used to replace products containing Glyphosate.
- (c) The current safety advice from Australian state and federal agencies regarding the use of products containing Glyphosate and current practices of neighbouring councils.

**Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**11 PARK RECREATION ACTIVE AND PASSIVE FUNDING - Councillor Roy Maggio**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

That the General Manager write to the Minister for Sport, the Honourable John Sidoti, the Minster for Planning and Public Spaces, the Honourable Rob Stokes and the Minister for Local Government, the Honourable Shelley Hancock, seeking on Council's behalf, funding options that may be available from various grants within their respective portfolio's.

**Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous



**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

The following persons addressed the Council:-

<b>Name</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Min Young Kang (President of Korean Nurses Association of Australia)	<b>MM12/19</b> – Korean Nurses' Association
Seung Hee Yoo (Vice President of Korean Nurses Association of Australia)	<b>MM12/19</b> – Korean Nurses' Association
Helen Armson (Chair of the Gladesville Hornsby Football Association)	<b>Item 8</b> – Four Year Delivery Program 2019-2023 including One Year Operational Plan 2019/2020
Frank Rayner	<b>Item 8</b> – Four Year Delivery Program 2019-2023 including One Year Operational Plan 2019/2020
James Nowiczewski	<b>Item 8</b> – Four Year Delivery Program 2019-2023 including One Year Operational Plan 2019/2020
Tim Thorne (representing GHFA)	<b>Item 8</b> – Four Year Delivery Program 2019-2023 including One Year Operational Plan 2019/2020
Anthony Byrnes	<b>Item 9</b> – Planning Ryde: Draft Local Strategic Planning Statement
Mark Warren (representing 1 <sup>st</sup> Putney Scouts)	<b>Notice of Motion 7</b> – Naming of 1 <sup>st</sup> Putney Scouts Hall in honour of Alison Small
Tanya Patradoon (representing Sam Patradoon on behalf of 1 <sup>st</sup> Putney Scouts)	<b>Notice of Motion 7</b> – Naming of 1 <sup>st</sup> Putney Scouts Hall in honour of Alison Small
Serena McNeilly (representing 1 <sup>st</sup> Putney Scouts)	<b>Notice of Motion 7</b> – Naming of 1 <sup>st</sup> Putney Scouts Hall in honour of Alison Small
Andrew Alcorn	<b>Notice of Motion 8</b> – Additional Skate Park Options within the City of Ryde
Paul Parks	<b>Notice of Motion 9</b> – City of Ryde Library Toy Loan Procedure

Note: Mr Byrnes circulated a document to Councillors and a copy is ON FILE.

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

The following persons addressed the Council:-

<b>Name</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Greg Agoulian (representing Basha Autohaus)	West Ryde – Timed Parking Proposal

**ADJOURNMENT**

Due to the lights in the Council Chambers going out, The Mayor, Councillor Laxale adjourned the Council Meeting for 15 minutes, until the lights came back on, the time being 8.00pm. The Council Meeting was adjourned to:

Tuesday, 25 June 2019 at 8.15pm in the Council Chambers, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde.

The following Councillors were present:

The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Lane, Maggio, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou.

**MEETING RECONVENED**

The Meeting reconvened at 8.14pm on Tuesday, 25 June 2019 in the Council Chambers, Level 1A Pope Street, Ryde.

The following Councillors were present:

The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Lane, Maggio, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou.

**Staff Present:** General Manager, Director – Customer and Community Services, Director – Corporate Services, Director – City Planning and Environment, Director – City Works, General Counsel, Chief Financial Officer, Manager – Communications and Engagement, Manager – Community and Ranger Services, Manager – Library Services, Manager – Parks, Manager – Urban Strategy, Senior Coordinator – Strategic Planning, Senior Coordinator – Communications, Senior Coordinator – Community Engagement, Communications Coordinator, Civic Services Manager and Civic Support Officer.

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

The following persons addressed the Council:-

<b>Name</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Laurence Heffernan	Noise and impact Meadowbank Skatepark is creating for residents
John Murray	Anzac Park – Council’s proposal to relocate playground site opposite dwellings for the elderly
Sylvia Dooley (Member of Wattle Street Senior Residents)	Anzac Park – why not build new playground where it is now?
Lyndal Evatt (representing Wattle Street Senior Residents)	Anzac Park Playground – Council’s proposed relocation – Link Housing comments Consultations – proposed relocation information
Chris Jho	Support for Democracy in Hong Kong

Note: Stavi Tsiouostas was called to address Council, however was not present in the Chamber.

Note: Mr Heffernan circulated a document including photographs to Councillors and a copy is ON FILE.

Note: Ms Evatt circulated a document dated 22 June 2019 from Link Housing to Councillors and a copy is ON FILE.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Gordon)

That Council now consider the following Items, the time being 8.31pm:-

- **Mayoral Minute 12/19** – Korean Nurses’ Association
- **Item 8** – Four Year Delivery Program 2019-2023 including One Year Operational Plan 2019/2020
- **Item 9** – Planning Ryde: Draft Local Strategic Planning Statement
- **Notice of Motion 7** – Naming of 1<sup>st</sup> Putney Scouts Hall in Honour of Alison Small
- **Notice of Motion 8** – Additional Skate Park Options within the City of Ryde
- **Notice of Motion 9** – City of Ryde Library Toy Loan Procedure

**Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**MAYORAL MINUTE**

**MM12/19 KOREAN NURSES' ASSOCIATION - Mayor, Councillor Jerome Laxale**

Note: Min Young Kang (President of Korean Nurses Association of Australia) and Seung Hee Yoo (Vice President of Korean Nurses Association of Australia) addressed the meeting in relation to this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Kim)

- (a) That the Mayor host a morning tea to commemorate the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Korean Nurses Association of Australia and all Councillors be invited.
- (b) That a suitable plaque be presented to the Association to be funded from General Revenue.

**Record of the Voting**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

**8 FOUR YEAR DELIVERY PROGRAM 2019-2023 INCLUDING ONE YEAR OPERATIONAL PLAN 2019/2020**

Note: Helen Armson (Chair of the Gladesville Hornsby Football Association), Frank Rayner, James Nowiczewski and Tim Thorne (representing GHFA) addressed the meeting in relation to this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Gordon and Purcell)

- (a) That Council consider the public submissions received during the public exhibition period and the responses to the submissions as detailed in this report.
- (b) That in Accordance with Sections 404 and 405 of the Local Government Act (1993) Council adopts the draft Four Year Delivery Program 2019-2023 including One Year Operational Plan for 2019/2020 and 2019/20 Fees and Charges incorporating the amendments outlined in this report, and all changes consequently thereunto.
- (c) That Council makes and levies the Rates and Charges for 2019/20 financial year, as detailed in the Four Year Delivery Program 2019-2023 including One Year Operational Plan 2019/2020 in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993.

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

- (d) That Council sets the rate of interest payable in respect of rates and charges that remain unpaid after they become due and payable be set at seven point five percent (7.5%) per annum.

**Record of the Voting**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillors Lane, Maggio and Moujalli

**9 PLANNING RYDE: DRAFT LOCAL STRATEGIC PLANNING STATEMENT**

Note: Anthony Byrnes addressed the meeting in relation to this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Gordon)

- (a) That Council endorse the attached “Planning Ryde: Draft Local Strategic Planning Statement” for public exhibition for the period 1 July to 12 August 2019.
- (b) That post exhibition, a two hour Councillor Workshop be held.
- (c) That following the Councillor Workshop the results of the public exhibition be reported back to Council prior to finalising the “Planning Ryde: Draft Local Strategic Planning Statement”.

**Record of the Voting**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Maggio, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillors Lane and Yedelian OAM

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

**7 NAMING OF 1<sup>ST</sup> PUTNEY SCOUTS HALL IN HONOUR OF ALISON SMALL - Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: Mark Warren (representing 1<sup>st</sup> Putney Scouts), Tanya Patradoon (representing Sam Patradoon on behalf of 1<sup>st</sup> Putney Scouts) and Serena McNeilly (representing 1<sup>st</sup> Putney Scouts) addressed the meeting in relation to this Item.

Note: Councillor Maggio disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that his daughter is volunteering at Putney Scouts.

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**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Purcell)

- (a) That Council approve the erection of an external sign and the installation of an internal plaque at the Putney Scout Hall in Cleves Park.
- (b) That Council provide support for this initiative by providing \$250 to the 1<sup>st</sup> Putney Scouts to assist them in procuring the plaque and sign to be funded from the general reserve.

**Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**8 ADDITIONAL SKATE PARK OPTIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF RYDE - Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: Andrew Alcorn addressed the meeting in relation to this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Yedelian OAM)

- (a) That Council investigate the feasibility for an additional outdoor youth space at an alternative suitable location which could also include a BMX VRamp, pumtrack and a mountain bike track.
- (b) That Council allocate \$50,000 funded from Developer contributions to complete this study.
- (c) That a report be provided to Council by the end of the 2019/20 financial year with the outcomes of this investigation.

**Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**9 CITY OF RYDE LIBRARY TOY LOAN PROCEDURE - Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: Paul Parks addressed the meeting in relation to this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Purcell)

That the City of Ryde amend the procedure for loaning toys at North Ryde Library to allow grandparents who are members of the Library to borrow toys on behalf of their grandchildren.

**Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**MATTER OF URGENCY**

Councillor Kim advised the meeting that he wished to raise a Matter of Urgency regarding Supporting the Democratic Movement in Hong Kong.

The Mayor, Councillor Laxale accepted this matter as an Urgent Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Kim and Gordon)

That Council consider a Matter of Urgency, raised by Councillor Kim, regarding Supporting the Democratic Movement in Hong Kong, the time being 9.21pm.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Lane, Maggio, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillor Moujalli

**MATTER OF URGENCY – SUPPORTING THE DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT IN HONG KONG**

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Kim and Gordon)

- (a) That the City of Ryde affirm that we value democracy, we oppose this extradition law, we support the right to protest, and that we value the protection of human rights of our Hong Kong and Chinese residents.
- (b) That the Mayor to express the Will of this Council by writing our affirmation to:
- Carrie Lam, Chief Executive of Hong Kong;
  - Marise Payne, Minister of Foreign Affairs;
  - Penny Wong, Shadow Minister of Foreign Affairs;
  - Amnesty International; and
  - Various local and Chinese news media outlets.

Note: Councillor Maggio left meeting at 9.22pm and was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Zhou and Moujalli)

- (a) That the City of Ryde affirm that we value democracy, we support the rule of law in Hong Kong and the independence of its judiciary, we support the right to protest, and that we value the protection of human rights of our Hong Kong and Chinese residents.

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(b) That the Mayor to express the Will of this Council by writing our affirmation to:

- Carrie Lam, Chief Executive of Hong Kong;
- Marise Payne, Minister of Foreign Affairs;
- Penny Wong, Shadow Minister of Foreign Affairs;
- Amnesty International; and
- Various local and Chinese news media outlets.

On being put to the Meeting, the voting on the Amendment was two (2) for and nine (9) against. The Amendment was **LOST**. The Motion was then put and **CARRIED**.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Amendment: Councillors Moujalli and Zhou

Against the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Lane, Pedersen, Purcell and Yedelian OAM

Note: Councillor Moujalli left the meeting at 9.28pm and was not present for voting on this Item.

Note: Councillor Maggio was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Kim and Gordon)

- (a) That the City of Ryde affirm that we value democracy, we oppose this extradition law, we support the right to protest, and that we value the protection of human rights of our Hong Kong and Chinese residents.
- (b) That the Mayor to express the Will of this Council by writing our affirmation to:
- Carrie Lam, Chief Executive of Hong Kong;
  - Marise Payne, Minister of Foreign Affairs;
  - Penny Wong, Shadow Minister of Foreign Affairs;
  - Amnesty International; and
  - Various local and Chinese news media outlets.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**MAYORAL MINUTES**

**MM12/19 KOREAN NURSES' ASSOCIATION - Mayor, Councillor Jerome Laxale**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.



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**MM13/19 RECOGNITION OF 40 YEARS OF CONTRIBUTION TO THE WEEKLY TIMES BY JOHN BOOTH - Mayor, Councillor Jerome Laxale**

Note: Councillor Moujalli was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

Note: Councillor Kim left the meeting at 9.29pm and was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

Note: Councillor Maggio returned to the meeting at 9.30pm.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Purcell)

- (a) That the Mayor host a morning tea to recognise the contribution made by John Booth and the Weekly Times to the City of Ryde and all Councillors to be invited.
- (b) That a plaque be presented to John Booth thanking him for his contribution to the local area with the plaque to be funded from General Revenue.

**Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**MM14/19 RYDE CITY WORLD CUP STREET FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT AND COMMUNITY FESTIVAL - Mayor, Councillor Jerome Laxale**

Note: Councillor Moujalli was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

Note: Councillor Kim was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Maggio)

- (a) That Council in principle support the concept of Melrose Park Football Club hosting a *Ryde City World Cup Street Football Tournament* in the City of Ryde and that the General Manager contact Mrs Julie Crane, President of the Melrose Park Football Club to discuss this Community Event to be held in late 2019.
- (b) That the Melrose Park Football Club, if eligible, be invited to apply for a grant through the community grants process, noting that this application may fall out of the existing grant rounds.

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- (c) That subject to the grant application complying with assessment criteria outlined in the Community Grants Policy 2018, Community Projects Category, Council allocate at least \$5,000 from the 2019/20 Community Grants budget for the purpose of this event.

**Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

**1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 28 May 2019**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**2 DEFERRED REPORT: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 30 April 2019**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**3 ITEMS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**4 REPORT OF THE WORKS AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING 5/19 held on 11 June 2019**

Note: Councillor Moujalli was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

Note: Councillor Kim returned to the meeting at 9.25pm.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Gordon)

That Council determine Items 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of the Works and Community Committee report 5/19, held on 11 June 2019 noting that Items 1 and 2 were dealt with by the Committee within its delegated powers.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

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**3 SMALL GRANTS - ALLOCATION OF FUNDING, ROUND 1, 2019**

Note: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that his daughters play netball for the member club of ERNA.

Note: Councillor Pedersen disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that she was on the founding committee of Light up East Ryde who were applying for a community grant.

Note: Councillor Purcell disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that he has business dealings with the Sir Roden Cutler Foundation and while he is not directly involved with this matter, he does see this entity regularly.

Note: Councillor Brown disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that he is a member on the Friends of Lane Cove National Park Organisation.

Note: Councillor Kim disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that he is aware of the Korean Cultural Centre Organisation, however, has no affiliation.

Note: Councillor Moujalli returned to the meeting at 9.36pm.

Note: Councillors Clifton left the meeting at 9.46pm and was not present for voting on this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Purcell)

(a) That Council endorse funding to the following organisations in round 1 of the 2019 Small Grants as follows:

Organisation	Project	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
Catholic Healthcare	Living Active- an eight week exercise program for two Korean seniors groups	\$1986.70	\$1986.70
Christian Community Aid	Through "OUR" Lens- wellbeing program for the youth of Ryde	\$2000	\$2000
Little Heroes Swim Academy	Little Heroes Royal Rehab Program- water safety lessons for	\$1430	\$1430

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	students with a disability		
Link Housing	Your New Community Space-working bee at Higginbotham Road community room	\$2000	\$2000
West Ryde Community Church	Provision of English as a second language conversation classes	\$2000	\$2000
Participate Australia	Community Engagement Program for People with a Disability- six social activity sessions	\$2000	\$2000
Friends of Lane Cove National Park	Support for National Tree Day event- site preparation	\$2000	\$2000
Rotary Club of Ryde	Light Up East Ryde Promotion-promotion of Christmas street market	\$1500	\$1500
Eastwood Tai Chi Incorporated	I love Tai Chi Qigong- Tai Chi and Qigong demonstrations and teaching to community members	\$2000	\$2000
Italo-Australian Senior Citizens Group	Italo-Australian Senior Citizens Group-activities/ social support group for older people from an Italian background	\$2000	\$2000
Eastwood Ryde Netball Association	Improve netball skills program-coaching program for	\$2000	\$2000

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	10-15 years of age players		
Korean Cultural Centre	Korean Drum Workshop and Showcase- 8 x 3 hour drumming workshops	\$2000	\$2000
Probus Club of Ryde	Transport and excursions for Probus Members- to subsidise the cost of activities	\$2000	\$2000
Enactus Macquarie	Women's Creative Hub Stalls- promotional market stalls to raise awareness of the Women's Creative Hub. Selling food and hand-made items	\$1000	\$1000
The Shepherd Centre- For Deaf Children	Kidscape- An art and music playgroup for children with hearing loss and their families in Ryde	\$2000	\$2000
NSW Service for the Treatment and Rehabilitation of Torture and Trauma Survivors (STARTTS)	Armenian Healthy Cooking Class- 8 weekly cooking classes for 15-20 women newly arrived from Syria	\$2000	\$2000
Ryde District Historical Society	Ryde District Historical Society Primary School History Curriculum Handout-technology-based resources and	\$1990	\$1990

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	workshops for local primary school teachers to support incorporation of local historical information aligned with curriculum		
Eastwood Senior Citizen's Club	Welfare and Integration of Local Seniors-Laughter Yoga workshops for existing members and other seniors	\$1750	\$1750
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$33,656.70</b>	<b>\$33,656.70</b>

- (b) That funding of \$29,676 is available within the Community and Ranger Services Small Grant budget to partially fund the recommended applications totaling \$33,656.70. The remaining funding of \$3,980.70 be allocated from the Community Grants Reserve.
- (c) That Council does not endorse the following four applications due to ineligibility in line with the Community Grants Policy:

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>Reason</b>
Know and Grow Your Community	In-depth needs identification interviews with residents of North Ryde	\$2000	This group has received a grant in Round 2, 2018. Groups are not eligible to receive funding for the same project more than once in a 12 month period.
The Happy Hens Social Enterprise	Bees and Chooks-introducing bees and chickens into the Community Garden and Henley	\$2000	Materials for a community garden located in Henley. This is outside of the Ryde LGA. There is no indication in the application

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			that this would “primarily benefit residents in the City of Ryde”
Australian South East Asia Forum	FAME- a music event for people from countries in the South East Asia region	\$2000	The event has not been costed (e.g. application lists expenditure as food, travel & other costs). The application does not demonstrate that the group would be able to carry out the project.
Sir Roden & Lady Cutler Foundation	Pick me up Volunteer Uniforms	\$2000	This is an operational expense of running the program and would not be eligible under the grant guidelines. The project primarily benefits residents outside of the City of Ryde.
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$8000</b>	

- (d) That the successful and unsuccessful grant applicants be informed in writing of the outcome of their applications.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

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**4 PAINT4FREEDOM REPORT**

Note: Councillor Clifton returned to the meeting at 9.52pm.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Maggio)

That Council establishes a partnership with Ryde Rotary to deliver a Local Community Paint4Freedom Art Competition in 2019.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**5 MACQUARIE PARK MARKETING PLAN (2019-2023)**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Purcell)

That Council endorses the draft Macquarie Park Marketing Plan (2019-2023), and that the Plan be placed on public exhibition for 28 days.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Lane, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillor Maggio

**6 CITY OF RYDE TENNIS COURT FACILITIES**

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Purcell)

- (a) That Council advertise Request for Proposals, seeking submissions from suitable organisations for the management and operation of Olympic Park, Kotara Park and Meadowbank Park tennis centres.
- (b) That Council advise the tenants currently managing these facilities of the process and encourage them to apply.
- (c) That a further report be submitted to Council following an Expression of Interest/Request for Proposals process.
- (d) That Council extends the licence agreement for the Kings Park tennis centre to Denistone East Community Tennis Courts Committee Inc for an additional 5 years, under the same terms and conditions.



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- (e) That the General Manager be given delegated authority to execute all relevant documents for the Kings Park tennis centre licence agreement.

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Pedersen)

- (a) That the City of Ryde implement a shared facilities policy across all owned suitable recreational facilities for multi-purpose use.
- (b) That Council advertise Request for Proposals, seeking submissions from suitable organisations for the management and operation of Olympic Park, Kotara Park, Kings Park and Meadowbank Park tennis centres for multi-purpose community use.
- (c) That Council advise the tenants currently managing these facilities of the process and encourage them to apply.
- (d) That a further report be submitted to Council following an Expression of Interest/Request for Proposals process.

On being put to the Meeting, the voting on the Amendment was six (6) all. The Mayor used his casting vote against the Amendment. The Amendment was **LOST**. The Motion was then put and **CARRIED**.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Amendment: Councillors Brown, Lane, Maggio, Moujalli, Yedelian OAM and Zhou

Against the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Pedersen and Purcell

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Purcell)

- (a) That Council advertise Request for Proposals, seeking submissions from suitable organisations for the management and operation of Olympic Park, Kotara Park and Meadowbank Park tennis centres.
- (b) That Council advise the tenants currently managing these facilities of the process and encourage them to apply.
- (c) That a further report be submitted to Council following an Expression of Interest/Request for Proposals process.

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- (d) That Council extends the licence agreement for the Kings Park tennis centre to Denistone East Community Tennis Courts Committee Inc for an additional 5 years, under the same terms and conditions.
- (e) That the General Manager be given delegated authority to execute all relevant documents for the Kings Park tennis centre licence agreement.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Lane, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillors Brown, Maggio and Yedelian OAM

**7 SPORTSGROUND ALLOCATION POLICY COMMUNITY FEEDBACK**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Maggio)

That Council adopts the draft Sportsground Allocation Policy.

On being put to the Meeting, Councillor Gordon abstained from voting and accordingly his vote was recorded Against the Motion.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Clifton, Kim, Lane, Maggio, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillors Brown and Gordon

**8 COUNCIL PERMIT PARKING POLICY**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Purcell)

- (a) That Council endorses to place the attached *Draft Permit Parking Policy* on Public Exhibition, with feedback to be reported back to Council.
- (b) That Council endorses that the following criteria be adopted before a street becomes part of a resident parking scheme:
  - i. On-street parking utilisation rate must be greater than 85% (of the available on-street parking spaces on both sides of the road or street);

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- ii. That surveys to identify this utilisation rate are undertaken at three (3) times periods (morning, lunchtime, afternoon) on any three (3) days of a normal week (does not include holidays and special event periods) to gauge the parking demand along a local road or street;
- iii. A minimum of 51% of properties surveyed must be in support of the proposed scheme.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**5 REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
5/19 held on 11 June 2019**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Finance and Governance  
Committee Meeting held on 14 May 2019**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**3 INVESTMENT POLICY AND GUIDELINES - REVIEW**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**4 PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURES INTERNAL REPORTING  
PROCEDURE**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**5 AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE TERMS OF  
REFERENCE**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**6 REPORTS DUE TO COUNCIL**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

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**7 ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Purcell)

That this Item be deferred to Closed Confidential Session for consideration in conjunction with Confidential Item 10 – Verbal Update – Legal Matter.

**Record for the Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Maggio, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillor Lane

**6 REPORT OF THE RYDE CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING 5/19 held on 11 June 2019**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Ryde Central Committee Meeting held on 14 May 2019**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**3 RYDE CENTRAL PROJECT UPDATE**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**7 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 MAY 2019**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

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**8 FOUR YEAR DELIVERY PROGRAM 2019-2023 INCLUDING ONE YEAR OPERATIONAL PLAN 2019/2020**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**9 PLANNING RYDE: DRAFT LOCAL STRATEGIC PLANNING STATEMENT**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**LATE COUNCIL REPORT**

**11 ADDITIONAL ITEM FOR INCLUSION IN THE 2019/2020 FEES AND CHARGES – FEE FOR CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION**

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Yedelian OAM)

(a) That the Proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges for 2019/2020 be revised to include the development application fee split for Concept Development Application and subsequent staged application as follows:

- Stage 1 Concept Development Application: 60% fee applied;
- Stage 2 Detailed Development Applications: 40% fee applied:

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Moujalli and Lane)

That the Proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges for 2019/2020 be revised to include the development application fee split for Concept Development Application and subsequent staged application as follows:

- Stage 1 Concept Development Application: 50% fee applied;
- Stage 2 Detailed Development Applications: 50% fee applied:

On being put to the Meeting, the voting on the Amendment was four (4) for and eight (8) against. The Amendment was **LOST**. The Motion was then put and **CARRIED**.

**Record of the Voting:**

For the Amendment: Councillors Lane, Maggio, Moujalli and Yedelian OAM

Against the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Pedersen, Purcell and Zhou

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**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Yedelian OAM)

That the Proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges for 2019/2020 be revised to include the development application fee split for Concept Development Application and subsequent staged application as follows:

- Stage 1 Concept Development Application: 60% fee applied;
- Stage 2 Detailed Development Applications: 40% fee applied:

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillors Lane, Maggio and Moujalli

**CLOSED SESSION**

**ITEM 10 - VERBAL UPDATE - LEGAL MATTER**

**Confidential**

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: (g) advice concerning litigation, or advice as comprises a discussion of this matter, that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

**ITEM 5(7) - ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS**

**Confidential**

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: (g) advice concerning litigation, or advice as comprises a discussion of this matter, that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

That the Council resolve into Closed Session to consider the above matters.

**Record of the Voting**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Maggio, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillor Lane

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Note: The Council closed the meeting at 10.36pm. The public and media left the chamber.

**10 VERBAL UPDATE - LEGAL MATTER**

**5(7) REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
5/19 held on 11 June 2019 – ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS**

**RECOMMENDATION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Gordon)

That the report and verbal update of the General Counsel be received.

**Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillors Brown, Lane and Maggio

**OPEN SESSION**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Gordon and Purcell)

That Council resolve itself into open Council.

**Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Open Council resumed at 10.41pm.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Gordon and Purcell)

That the recommendations of Items considered in Closed Session be received and adopted as resolutions of Council without any alteration or amendment thereto.

**Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Lane, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillors Brown and Maggio

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**NOTICES OF MOTION**

**1 DEFERRED NOTICE OF MOTION: NEW NOMINEE FOR THE BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE - Councillor Bernard Purcell**

Note: Councillor Pedersen disclosed a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that she knows the nominee for the Committee who is a close friend. She left the meeting at 10.42pm and was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Lane)

That Council endorses the nomination of Ms Sally Langford for a position on the Bicycle Advisory Committee.

**Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**2 DEFERRED NOTICE OF MOTION: WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY CONCERNS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS - Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: Councillor Maggio WITHDREW this Notice of Motion.

**3 DEFERRED NOTICE OF MOTION: CITY OF RYDE CORK AND FORK EVENT - Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: Councillor Pedersen returned to the meeting at 10.43pm.

Note: Councillor Gordon left the meeting at 10.48pm and was not present for voting on this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Pedersen)

- (a) That Council recognises the outstanding efforts of the City of Ryde Events and Operations staff in delivering a highly successful Cork and Fork event with more than 8,000 people attending this year's event.
- (b) That Council staff prepare a report to be brought back to Council exploring additional funding for Council's Cork and Fork, Lunar New Year and West Ryde Easter Parade and Fair.

**Record of the Voting**

For the Motion: Unanimous



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**4 CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF DORIS CARRALL - Councillor Christopher Gordon**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**5 STUDENT ROAD SAFETY OUTSIDE HOLY CROSS COLLEGE AND ST CHARLES PRIMARY SCHOOL - VICTORIA ROAD, GLADESVILLE - Councillor Penny Pedersen**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**6 GLYPHOSATE USE IN THE CITY OF RYDE - Councillor Penny Pedersen**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**7 NAMING OF 1<sup>ST</sup> PUTNEY SCOUTS HALL IN HONOUR OF ALISON SMALL - Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**8 ADDITIONAL SKATE PARK OPTIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF RYDE - Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**9 CITY OF RYDE LIBRARY TOY LOAN PROCEDURE - Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**10 KISSING POINT PARK PARRAMATTA RIVER LITTER MINIMISATION - Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: Councillor Gordon returned to the meeting at 10.49pm.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Pedersen)

- (a) That the General Manager circulate available reports and information on the City of Ryde Stormwater Catchment Management Plan and the current network of Gross Pollutant Traps (GPTs), to all Councillors in the Councillor Information Bulletin.

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

- (b) That the Mayor write to the Minister for Transport and Roads, The Honourable Andrew Constance MP, and the Honourable Matt Kean MP, Minister for Energy and Environment requesting a meeting regarding:
- i. The current role of RMS in waste minimization on the Parramatta River.
  - ii. Discussing a collaboration with City of Ryde on waste minimization on City of Ryde riparian zones, beaches and mangroves.
- (c) That the General Manager forward a copy of this letter to:
- The Honourable Anthony Roberts MP, Member for Lane Cove;
  - The Honourable Mr Victor Dominello MP, Member for Ryde;
  - Councillor Mark Drury, Chair of the Parramatta River Catchment Group;
  - The Honourable Penny Sharpe MLC, Shadow Minister for the Environment;
  - The Honourable Jodi McKay MP, Shadow Minister for Roads and Transport;
  - Chris Minns MP, Opposition Spokesman for Water and Head of the Opposition's Waste Watch Committee.

**Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**11 PARK RECREATION ACTIVE AND PASSIVE FUNDING - Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**QUESTIONS BY COUNCILLORS AS PER POLICY**

**1 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE - Councillor Roy Maggio**

Question 1:

**Shall the community of Ryde be informed of the financial considerations of the Ryde Central development through all media channels when consultation commences?**

Answer 1:

*This item at the last Council meeting was classified CONFIDENTIAL under Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: (d) (i) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.*

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

The report to Council contains a significant amount of financial information in a lot of detail that would (if disclosed) undermine Council's financial position ahead of a formal tender process slated for late 2019.

This would lead to Council (and therefore, the public) not receiving value for money tender submissions.

Notwithstanding the above, Council has and will continue to inform the community that the project will be funded from a mix of Internal Reserves and an external loan funded by future developer contributions.

Consequently, there will be no special rate increase, nor will there be any cuts to services or service levels resulting from this funding strategy.

Question 2:

**Please provide costs of the consultation process of the Ryde Central development?**

Answer 2:

The costs associated with this consultation will not be known until the completion of the consultation, together with the feedback from the community consultation process.

An estimate of the costs is included in the 'Budget Considerations' section of the Confidential Report to Council (28 May 2019).

Question 3:

**How will the consultation process be advertised throughout the community?**

Answer 3:

The community consultation program has already been distributed to Councillors.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**10 VERBAL UPDATE - LEGAL MATTER**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**5 REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
5/19 held on 11 June 2019**

**7 ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as set out in these Minutes.

The meeting closed at 10.59pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 23RD DAY OF JULY 2019

Chairperson

**2 ITEMS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE**

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**Report prepared by:** Civic Services Manager**File No.:** CLM/19/1/1/2 - BP19/638

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice, Council can determine those matters on the Agenda that can be adopted without the need for any discussion.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council determine the Items on Council's Agenda that will be adopted without debate.

OR

That Council determine all Items on the Agenda.

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**3 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 JUNE 2019**

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**Report prepared by:** Chief Financial Officer**File No.:** COR2019/82 - BP19/754

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

This report details Council's performance of its investment portfolio as at 30 June 2019 and compares it against key benchmarks. The report includes the estimated market valuation of Council's investment portfolio and loan liabilities.

Council's return for the reporting period is 2.84%, which is 1.22% above the benchmark figure of 1.62%.

Income from interest on investments and proceeds from sale of investments totals \$6.96M for the financial year to date, which is \$977K above the 2018/19 revised Budget. The vast majority of the \$977K is restricted income (for example, Income received via Development Contributions) and therefore does not benefit Working Capital.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council endorse the Investment Report as at 30 June 2019.

**ATTACHMENTS**

**1** Investment Report Attachment P12 June 2019

Report Prepared By:

**Pav Kuzmanovski**  
**Chief Financial Officer**

Report Approved By:

**Steven Kludass**  
**Director - Corporate Services**

### ITEM 3 (continued)

#### Discussion

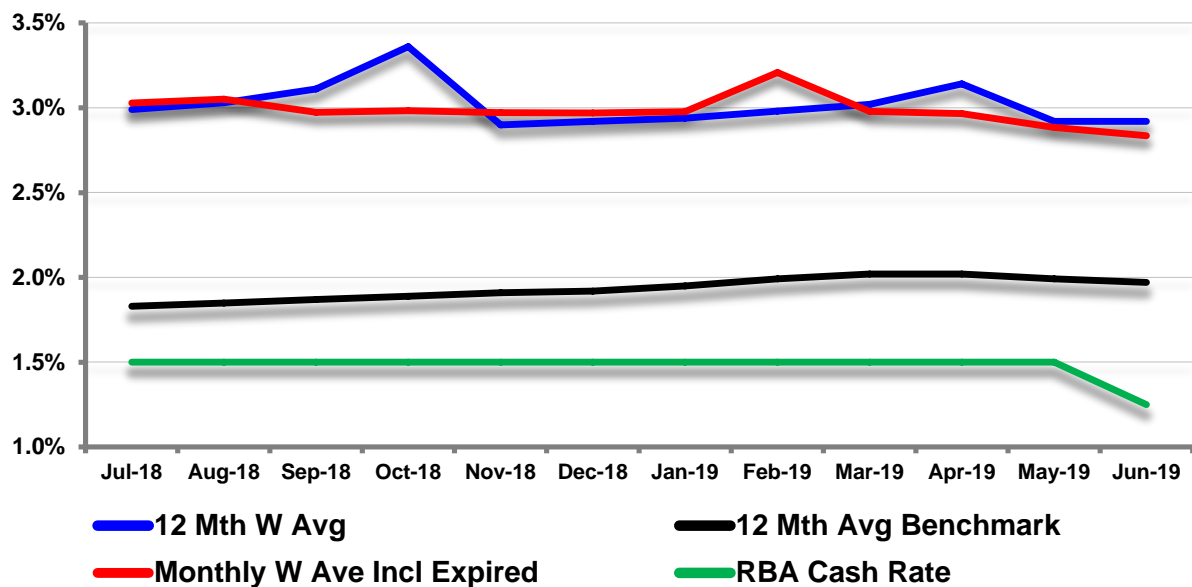
Council's Responsible Accounting Officer, is required to report monthly on Council's Investment Portfolio and certify that the Investments are held in accordance with Council's Investment Policy and Section 625 of the Local Government Act.

#### Investment Performance Commentary

Council's performance against the benchmark for returns of its investment portfolio for June 2019 and the past 12 months are as follows:

	Jun	12 Mth	FYTD
<b>Council Return</b>	<b>2.84</b>	<b>2.96</b>	<b>2.96</b>
<b>Benchmark</b>	1.62	<b>1.97</b>	1.97
<b>Variance</b>	<b>1.22</b>	<b>0.99</b>	<b>0.99</b>

### Performance - All Investments



### ITEM 3 (continued)

Council's investment portfolio as at 30 June 2019 was as follows:

Cash/Term Deposits	\$152.5M	64.7%
Floating Rate Notes	\$47.5M	20.2%
Fixed Bonds	\$35.6M	15.1%
<b>Total Cash Investments</b>	<b>\$235.6M</b>	
Investment Properties	\$155.8M	
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b>\$391.4M</b>	

Council's Investment Properties, valued as at 30 June 2018, are shown in **ATTACHMENT 1**.

The valuations listed have been undertaken in accordance with the revaluation process to 'best use' by an independent valuer, in compliance with the Australian Accounting Standards.

Council continues to utilise the Federal Government's current guarantee (\$250K) investing in Term Deposits with a range of Authorised Deposit Taking Institutions (ADI's) on short to medium term investments (generally 30 days to 180 days maturity) where more competitive rates are available.

Whilst Council has moved some of its investment portfolio out to longer terms, to lock in future returns, it should be noted that there is approximately \$95 million of Council's funds held in Internal Reserves (as at 30 June 2018).

Council's income from investments continues to exceed budgeted expectations, due primarily to Council receiving significant Developer Contributions. Interest on investments relating to available General Revenue funds also continues to rise.

### Loan Liability

Council's loan liability as at 30 June 2019 was \$1.6 million which represents the balance of two loans were established under the Local Infrastructure Renewal Scheme (LIRS). Council receives a 3% interest subsidy payment from the OLG twice a year.

1. A \$1.5M 10 year loan drawn down 31 January 2014 at 180 day BBSW +175 basis points for the Children's Play Implementation Plan, which was approved for an LIRS subsidy in Round 2. The interest rate for this loan is reset every six months;
2. A \$1.5M 10 year loan drawn down 1 September 2014 at 4.95% for Phase 2 of the Children's Play Implementation Plan, which was approved for an LIRS subsidy in Round 3.



**ITEM 3 (continued)**

INVESTMENT SUMMARY AS AT 30 JUNE 2019

Issuer	Investment Name	Investment Rating	Fossil Fuel	Invested at 30-Jun-19 \$000's	Annualised Period Return (%)	12 Month Average Return on Current Investments	Return since 01 July 2018	% of Total Invested	Maturity	Tenor
NAB	1. NAB Covered Bond	AAA	Y	3,741	3.10	3.08	3.08	1.59	16/03/2023	1826
Suncorp-Metway	2. Suncorp FRN (Covered)	AAA	N	4,000	2.79	3.10	3.10	1.70	22/06/2021	1826
ANZ	3. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	1,499	3.15	3.16	3.16	0.64	18/01/2023	1826
ANZ	4. ANZ FRN	AA-	Y	4,000	2.94	3.17	3.17	1.70	7/04/2021	1826
ANZ	5. ANZ FRN	AA-	Y	1,500	2.48	2.74	2.74	0.64	18/01/2023	1826
ANZ	6. ANZ FRN	AA-	Y	2,000	2.58	2.85	2.85	0.85	9/05/2023	1826
ANZ	7. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,998	3.14	3.14	3.14	1.27	8/02/2024	1826
ANZ	8. ANZ Floating TD	AA-	Y	4,000	3.19	3.46	3.46	1.70	10/11/2022	2557
ANZ	9. ANZ Flexi TD	AA-	Y	4,000	3.08	3.43	3.43	1.70	15/12/2022	2557
CBA	10. Bankwest 11am Account	AA-	Y	9,392	1.54	1.73	1.73	3.99		
CBA	11. CBA At Call Deposit	AA-	Y	2,034	1.51	1.49	1.49	0.86		
CBA	12. CBA Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	3,983	3.41	3.41	3.41	1.69	25/04/2023	1916
CBA	13. CBA MTN	AA-	Y	3,494	3.27	3.26	3.26	1.48	16/08/2023	1826
CBA	14. CBA Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	3,473	3.23	3.23	3.23	1.47	11/01/2024	1826
CBA	15. CBA FRN	AA-	Y	2,000	2.99	2.95	2.95	0.85	17/07/2020	1827
CBA	16. CBA FRN	AA-	Y	1,995	2.88	3.14	3.14	0.85	17/07/2020	1613
CBA	17. Bankwest Term Deposit	AA-	Y	2,000	2.71	2.71	2.71	0.85	3/10/2019	314
CBA	18. Bankwest TD	AA-	Y	4,000	2.66	2.66	2.66	1.70	10/10/2019	276
CBA	19. Bankwest TD	AA-	Y	2,000	2.71	2.71	2.71	0.85	11/07/2019	289
CBA	20. Bankwest TD	AA-	Y	4,000	2.27	2.71	2.71	1.70	13/08/2019	91
NAB	21. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,994	3.15	3.16	3.16	1.27	12/05/2021	1826
NAB	22. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	3,993	3.08	3.09	3.09	1.69	10/02/2023	1918
NAB	23. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,996	2.95	2.95	2.95	1.27	26/02/2024	1826
NAB	24. NAB FRN	AA-	Y	2,000	2.65	3.03	3.03	0.85	5/11/2020	1827
NAB	25. NAB FRN	AA-	Y	4,000	2.55	2.83	2.83	1.70	16/05/2023	1826
NAB	26. NAB FRN	AA-	Y	2,000	2.20	2.20	2.20	0.85	19/06/2024	1827
NAB	27. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	2.73	2.73	2.73	1.70	31/10/2019	358
NAB	28. NAB TD	AA-	Y	4,000	2.72	2.75	2.75	1.70	31/10/2019	364
NAB	29. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	2.70	2.70	2.70	1.70	17/09/2019	376
NAB	30. NAB TD	AA-	Y	4,000	3.35	3.35	3.35	1.70	18/09/2023	1827
Westpac	31. Westpac At Call	AA-	Y	13	0.33	0.49	0.49	0.01		
Westpac	32. Westpac FRN	AA-	Y	1,000	2.48	2.85	2.85	0.42	28/07/2020	1827
Westpac	33. Westpac Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,477	3.25	3.25	3.25	1.05	24/04/2024	1917
Westpac	34. Westpac Term Deposit 2	AA-	Y	81	1.51	2.25	2.25	0.03	4/07/2019	76
Westpac	35. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	3.55	3.55	3.55	1.70	22/02/2022	1825
Westpac	36. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	3.32	3.32	3.32	1.70	9/08/2022	1813
Westpac	37. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	Y	2,000	3.38	3.38	3.38	0.85	18/08/2022	1815
Westpac	38. WBC Floating TD	AA-	Y	4,000	2.79	3.13	3.13	1.70	17/02/2022	1826
Westpac	39. Westpac TD	AA-	Y	4,000	3.15	3.14	3.14	1.70	2/11/2021	1461
Westpac	40. Westpac TD	AA-	Y	4,000	2.65	2.65	2.65	1.70	7/01/2020	365
Suncorp-Metway	41. Suncorp FRN	A+	N	800	2.96	3.23	3.23	0.34	20/10/2020	1827
Suncorp-Metway	42. Suncorp FRN	A+	N	1,000	2.62	2.90	2.90	0.42	16/08/2022	1826
Macquarie Bank	43. Macquarie Bank FRN	A	Y	750	2.55	3.03	3.03	0.32	3/03/2020	1827
AMP	44. AMP Business Saver	A-	Y	390	1.67	1.79	1.79	0.17		
AMP	45. AMP TD	A-	Y	1,000	3.05	3.05	3.05	0.42	30/07/2019	365
AMP	46. AMP Term Deposit	A-	Y	2,000	3.02	2.94	2.94	0.85	1/10/2019	224
Bank of Queensland	47. Bank of Queensland Fixed Bond	BBB+	Y	1,984	3.40	3.41	3.41	0.84	16/11/2021	1267
Bank of Queensland	48. Bank of Queensland TD	BBB+	Y	2,000	2.78	2.74	2.74	0.85	4/07/2019	273
Bank of Queensland	49. Bank of Queensland TD	BBB+	Y	2,000	2.55	3.68	3.68	0.85	13/06/2024	1827
Bank of Queensland	50. Bank of Queensland TD	BBB+	Y	4,000	3.10	3.10	3.10	1.70	17/12/2020	1071
Bank of Queensland	51. Bank of Queensland TD	BBB+	Y	2,000	3.55	3.55	3.55	0.85	12/11/2020	1827
Bank of Queensland	52. Bank of Queensland TD	BBB+	Y	2,000	3.75	3.75	3.75	0.85	9/12/2021	1823
Bank of Queensland	53. BoQ Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	4,000	3.50	3.50	3.50	1.70	15/11/2022	1804
BankVic	54. BankVic	BBB+	N	2,000	2.70	2.70	2.70	0.85	23/07/2019	152
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	55. Bendigo Fixed MTN	BBB+	N	2,000	3.53	3.54	3.54	0.85	25/01/2023	1826
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	56. Bendigo Bank FRN	BBB+	N	1,000	2.68	3.03	3.03	0.42	18/08/2020	1827
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	57. Bendigo and Adelaide Bank FRN	BBB+	N	1,997	2.69	3.02	3.02	0.85	25/01/2023	1532
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	58. Rural Bank TD	BBB+	N	2,000	2.75	2.75	2.75	0.85	24/10/2019	335
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	59. Bendigo Bank TD	BBB+	N	2,000	2.80	2.80	2.80	0.85	5/12/2019	728
Heritage Bank	60. Heritage Bank FRN	BBB+	N	1,300	2.88	3.26	3.26	0.55	4/05/2020	1096
Heritage Bank	61. Heritage Bank FRN	BBB+	N	1,400	2.98	3.25	3.25	0.59	29/03/2021	1096
Members Banking Group	62. RACQ FRN	BBB+	?	1,500	2.78	3.06	3.06	0.64	11/05/2020	731

**ITEM 3 (continued)**

Issuer	Investment Name	Investment Rating	Fossil Fuel	Invested at 30-Jun-19 \$000's	Annualised Period Return (%)	12 Month Average Return on Current Investments	Return since 01 July 2018	% of Total Invested	Maturity	Tenor
MyState Bank	63. MyState Bank TD	BBB+	N	2,000	2.86	2.85	2.85	0.85	17/10/2019	254
MyState Bank	64. MyState TD	BBB+	N	2,000	2.71	2.74	2.74	0.85	25/07/2019	268
Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	65. Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc FRN	BBB+	N	1,000	3.11	3.34	3.34	0.42	7/04/2020	1827
Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	66. Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc FRN	BBB+	N	998	3.35	3.59	3.59	0.42	7/04/2020	1352
Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	67. Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc □	BBB+	N	2,000	3.05	3.05	3.05	0.85	27/01/2022	1092
Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	68. Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc TD	BBB+	N	2,000	3.05	3.05	3.05	0.85	10/02/2022	1095
Aus Unity	69. Aus Unity Bank TD	BBB	?	2,000	2.80	2.80	2.80	0.85	30/10/2019	364
Bank Australia	70. Bank Australia	BBB	N	1,000	2.75	3.21	3.21	0.42	30/08/2021	1096
CUA	71. CUA FRN	BBB	N	2,000	2.93	3.29	3.29	0.85	20/03/2020	1096
CUA	72. Credit Union Australia TD	BBB	N	2,000	2.71	2.71	2.71	0.85	9/07/2019	280
CUA	73. CUA TD	BBB	N	2,000	3.00	3.00	3.00	0.85	3/12/2020	728
Defence Bank	74. Defence Bank TD	BBB	N	1,000	2.80	2.73	2.73	0.42	3/03/2020	364
Greater Bank	75. Greater Bank FRN	BBB	N	1,000	2.93	3.37	3.37	0.42	24/02/2020	1095
Me Bank	76. ME Bank At Call Account	BBB	N	3,105	1.61	1.75	1.75	1.32		
Me Bank	77. ME Bank FRN	BBB	N	1,000	3.11	3.38	3.38	0.42	18/07/2019	962
Me Bank	78. ME Bank FRN	BBB	N	1,500	2.93	3.21	3.21	0.64	9/11/2020	1096
Me Bank	79. ME Bank FRN	BBB	N	1,600	3.00	3.26	3.26	0.68	16/04/2021	1095
Me Bank	80. ME Bank TD	BBB	N	2,000	2.40	2.47	2.47	0.85	8/08/2019	91
Me Bank	81. ME Bank TD	BBB	N	1,000	2.75	2.75	2.75	0.42	6/08/2019	340
Me Bank	82. ME Bank TD	BBB	N	2,000	2.39	2.46	2.46	0.85	7/11/2019	182
Me Bank	83. Members Equity TD	BBB	N	2,000	2.68	2.68	2.68	0.85	21/01/2020	327
P&N Bank	84. P&N Bank	BBB	N	1,000	3.50	3.50	3.50	0.42	2/11/2023	1821
Teachers Mutual Bank	85. Teachers Mutual Bank FRN	BBB	N	1,400	3.18	3.38	3.38	0.59	2/07/2021	1096
Auswide Bank	86. Auswide Bank TD	BBB-	N	2,500	2.06	2.66	2.66	1.06	4/02/2020	222
G&C Mutual Bank	87. G&C Mutual Bank TD	BBB-	N	1,000	2.85	2.85	2.85	0.42	12/09/2019	379
QBank	88. QBank FRN	BBB-	N	1,000	3.10	3.41	3.41	0.42	22/03/2021	1098
QBank	89. QBank FRN	BBB-	N	750	3.08	3.43	3.43	0.32	14/12/2021	1096
QBank	90. QBank Term Deposit	BBB-	N	1,000	2.81	2.90	2.90	0.42	12/12/2019	294
QBank	91. QBank TD	BBB-	N	1,000	2.55	2.80	2.80	0.42	7/05/2020	359
QBank	92. QBank TD	BBB-	N	1,000	2.80	2.80	2.80	0.42	7/11/2019	349
Australian Military Bank	93. Australian Military Bank TD	Unrated	N	2,000	2.90	2.90	2.90	0.85	26/09/2019	386
Bananacoast CU	94. Bananacoast CU TD	Unrated	N	2,000	2.95	2.95	2.95	0.85	13/02/2020	364
Bank of Sydney	95. Bank of Sydney TD	Unrated	?	1,000	2.77	2.72	2.72	0.42	10/09/2019	180
Bank of Sydney	96. Bank of Sydney TD	Unrated	?	1,000	2.77	2.80	2.80	0.42	15/10/2019	187
Bank of us	97. Bank of us TD	Unrated	?	1,000	2.80	2.81	2.81	0.42	10/12/2019	182
Bank of us	98. Bank of us TD	Unrated	?	1,000	2.21	2.71	2.71	0.42	10/12/2019	182
Coastline CU	99. Coastline Credit Union TD	Unrated	?	1,000	2.95	2.95	2.95	0.42	19/12/2019	386
Goldfields Money Ltd	100. Goldfields Money Ltd TD	Unrated	?	2,000	2.80	2.75	2.75	0.85	17/03/2020	369
Hunter United Credit Union	101. Hunter United Credit Union TD	Unrated	?	1,000	2.80	2.72	2.72	0.42	12/03/2020	366
Maitland Mutual	102. Maitland Mutual Bldg Soc TD	Unrated	N	1,000	2.75	2.72	2.72	0.42	10/03/2020	364
Police CU (SA)	103. Police CU - SA Term Deposit	Unrated	?	1,000	2.90	2.87	2.87	0.42	12/11/2019	362
Police CU (SA)	104. Police CU - SA	Unrated	?	1,000	2.90	2.90	2.90	0.42	7/11/2019	365
Queensland Country CU	105. QCCU TD	Unrated	?	1,000	2.75	2.73	2.73	0.42	10/03/2020	364
Regional Australia Bank	106. Regional Australia Bank TD	Unrated	N	2,000	3.10	3.10	3.10	0.85	13/08/2020	1093
South West CU	107. South West CU TD	Unrated	?	1,000	2.41	2.75	2.75	0.42	28/01/2020	257
Summerland CU	108. Summerland CU TD	Unrated	N	1,000	2.98	2.83	2.83	0.42	10/12/2019	364
Summerland CU	109. Summerland CU TD	Unrated	N	1,000	2.90	2.90	2.90	0.42	12/09/2019	372
Warwick CU	110. Warwick CU TD	Unrated	?	1,000	3.01	3.01	3.01	0.42	19/12/2019	386
Warwick CU	111. Warwick CU TD	Unrated	?	500	2.80	2.80	2.80	0.21	15/01/2020	321
Warwick CU	112. Warwick CU TD	Unrated	?	500	2.80	2.80	2.80	0.21	17/01/2020	323
WaW CU	113. WAW CU Coop	Unrated	N	2,000	2.26	2.26	2.26	0.85	12/12/2019	175
				<b>235,637</b>	<b>2.84</b>	<b>2.97</b>	<b>2.97</b>	<b>100</b>		

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\*Monthly returns when annualised can appear to exaggerate performance

\*\*Market valuations are indicative prices only, and do not necessarily reflect the price at which a transaction could be entered into.

**Return including Matured/Traded Investments**

	Jun	12 Mth	FYTD
Weighted Average Return	2.84	2.96	2.96
Benchmark Return: AusBond Bank Bill Index (%)	1.62	1.97	1.97
Variance From Benchmark (%)	1.22	0.99	0.99

**Investment Income**

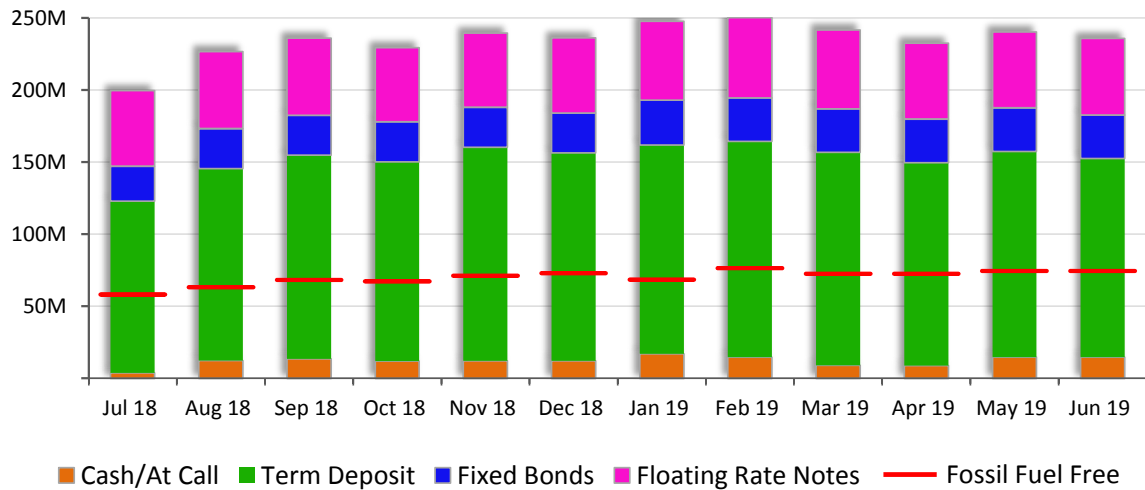
	\$000's
This Period	557
Financial Year To Date	6,960
Budget Profile	5,983
Variance from Budget - \$	977

**Fossil Fuel Free (000's)**

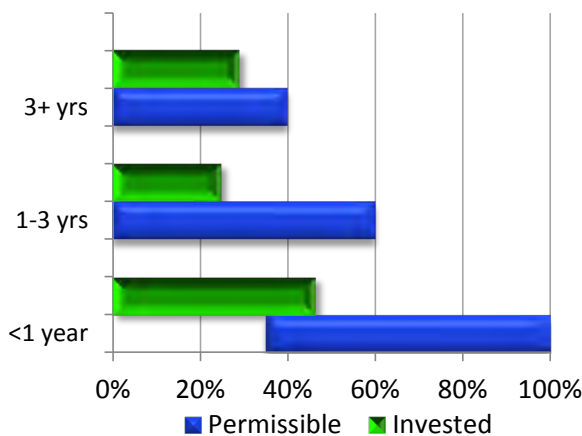
Yes	74,350
No	143,787
Unknown	17,500

**Analysis of investments**

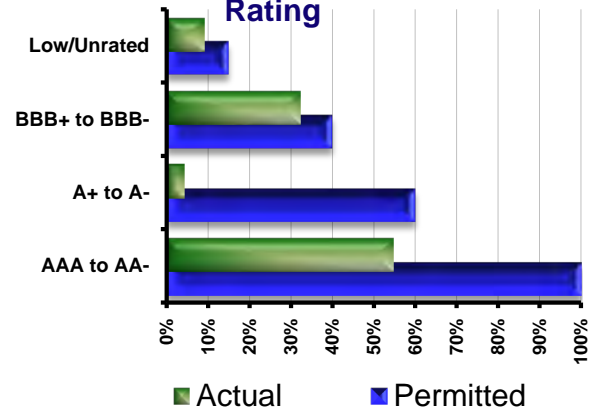
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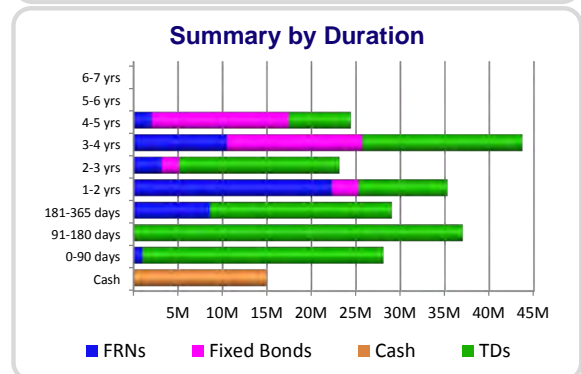
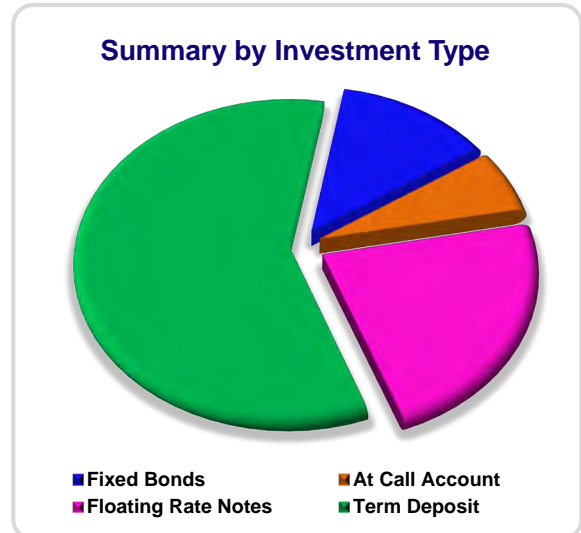
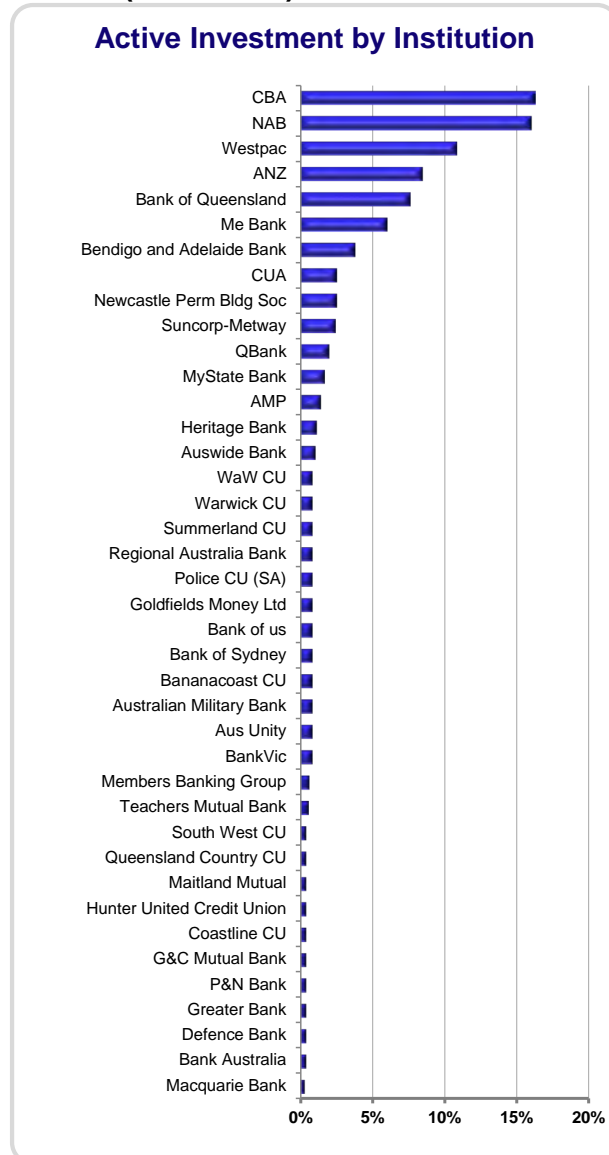


**Investment Summary by Rating**



Portion of deposits covered by Federal Guarantee are rated 'AAA'

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	<365 days	>365 days
Cash/TDs	\$99.5M	\$53.0M
FRNs	\$9.5M	\$37.9M
Fixed Bonds	\$0.0M	\$35.6M
	<b>\$109.1M</b>	<b>\$126.6M</b>

**Divestment of Fossil Fuel Aligned Financial Institutions**

As at 30 June 2019, Council had a total amount of \$74.35 million (31.6% of Council's total investment portfolio) invested in non-fossil fuel aligned financial institutions. A further \$17.5 million was invested in unrated financial institutions where their 'alignment status' is unclear/undetermined. It is almost certain all of these unrated financial institutions are non-fossil fuel aligned institutions as their lending profiles are almost identical to other unrated institutions. If it assumed those institutions are non-fossil fuel aligned financial institutions, then the total amount is \$91.85 million (39% of Council's total investment portfolio).

By way of comparison, Council had \$50.5 million (24.5% of its total investment portfolio) invested in non-fossil fuel aligned financial institutions, as at 31 January 2018.

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Council's divestment from fossil fuel aligned financial institutions has increased by more than \$41m (an 82% increase) since January 2018.

**Financial Implications**

Council's return for the reporting period is 2.84%, which is 1.22% above the benchmark figure of 1.62%. Income from interest on investments and proceeds from sales of investments totals \$6.96M for the period ended 30 June 2019, \$977K above the 2018/19 year-to-date revised Budget. The vast majority of the \$977K is restricted income (for example, Income received via Development Contributions) and therefore does not benefit Working Capital.

**Summary**

Council's investment portfolio continues to perform well with returns well above benchmark. The recommendation in this report is consistent with Section 625 of the Local Government Act, which deals with the investment of surplus funds by Councils.

**Certificate of the Chief Financial Officer (Responsible Accounting Officer)**

I certify that as at the date of this report, the investments listed have been made and are held in compliance with Council's Investment Policy and applicable legislation.

Pav Kuzmanovski  
Chief Financial Officer

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**Council's Property Investment Portfolio**

The following properties were held as part of Council's Property Investment portfolio;

<b>Property</b>	<b>\$' M</b>
1A Station St, West Ryde	0.960
2 Dickson Ave, West Ryde	1.300
8 Chatham Rd, West Ryde	1.420
202 Rowe Street, Eastwood	3.235
226 Victoria Rd, Gladesville	0.390
7 Anthony Road, West Ryde	5.230
7 Coulter Street, Coulter St Car Park, Gladesville	22.175
6-12 Glen Street, Glen Street Car Park, Eastwood	36.820
2 Pittwater Road, John Wilson Car Park, Gladesville	8.820
150 Coxs Road, Cox Rd Car Park, North Ryde	1.655
33-35 Blaxland Road, Argyle Centre, Ryde	5.630
19-21 Church Street and 16 Devlin Street, Ryde	10.990
6 Reserve Street, West Ryde	3.700
Herring Road Air Space Rights	0.535
741-747 Victoria Road, Ryde (Battery World)	7.130
53-71 Rowe Street, Eastwood	7.175
<b>Total Investment Properties as per the Financial Statements</b>	<b>117.165</b>
1 Constitution Road, Operations Centre, Ryde <sup>(1)</sup>	38.620
<b>PROPERTIES HELD AS INVESTMENT PROPERTIES</b>	<b>155.785</b>

(1) The value for this is currently held in Non-Current Assets in Note 9, and once vacated by Council; it will be transferred to Investment Properties within the Financial Statements.

(2) The above figures refer to the land only as valued at "best use", and do not include the value of any structures.

**Benchmark**

The Bloomberg Ausbond Bank Bill index is constructed as a benchmark to represent the performance of a passively managed short-term money market portfolio. It comprises thirteen Bank Bills of equal face value, each with a maturity seven days apart. The average term to maturity is approximately 45 days.

A Bank Bill is a non-interest bearing security issued by a bank whereby the bank takes on an obligation to pay an investor a fixed amount (face value) at a fixed future date. It is sold to an investor at a discount to the face value. Bank Bills are short-term money market investments with maturities usually between 30 days and 180 days.

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### Types of Investments

The following are the types of investments held by Council:

At Call refers to funds held at a financial institution, and can be recalled by Council either same day or on an overnight basis.

A Floating Rate Note (FRN) is a debt security issued by a company with a variable interest rate. This can either be issued as Certificates of Deposit (CD) or as Medium Term Notes (MTN). The interest rate can be either fixed or floating, where the adjustments to the interest rate are usually made quarterly and are tied to a certain money market index such as the Bank Bill Swap Rate.

A Fixed Rate Bond is a debt security issued by a company with a fixed interest rate over the term of the bond.

### Credit Rating Information

Credit ratings are generally a statement as to an institution's credit quality. Ratings ranging from AAA to BBB- (long term) are considered investment grade.

A general guide as to the meaning of each credit rating is as follows:

AAA: the best quality companies, reliable and stable

AA: quality companies, a bit higher risk than AAA

A: economic situation can affect finance

BBB: medium class companies, which are satisfactory at the moment

BB: more prone to changes in the economy

B: financial situation varies noticeably

CCC: currently vulnerable and dependent on favourable economic conditions to meet its commitments

CC: highly vulnerable, very speculative bonds

C: highly vulnerable, perhaps in bankruptcy or in arrears but still continuing to pay out on obligations

D: has defaulted on obligations and it is believed that it will generally default on most or all obligations

Note: Ratings from 'AA' to 'CCC' may be modified by the addition of a plus (+) or minus (-) sign to show relative standing within the major rating categories.

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**Council's Investment Powers**

Council's investment powers are regulated by Section 625 of the Local Government Act, which states:

- (1) A council may invest money that is not, for the time being, required by the council for any other purpose.
- (2) Money may be invested only in a form of investment notified by order of the Minister published in the Gazette.
- (3) An order of the Minister notifying a form of investment for the purposes of this section must not be made without the approval of the Treasurer.
- (4) The acquisition, in accordance with section 358, of a controlling interest in a corporation or an entity within the meaning of that section is not an investment for the purposes of this section.

Council's investment policy requires that all investments are to be made in accordance with;

- Local Government Act 1993 - Section 625
- Local Government Act 1993 - Order (of the Minister) dated 12 January 2011
- The Trustee Amendment (Discretionary Investments) Act 1997 – Sections 14A(2), 14C(1) & (2)
- Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1993
- Investment Guidelines issued by the Department of Local Government



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#### **4 COUNCIL / COMMITTEE MEETINGS - Schedule of Proposed Meeting Dates**

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**Report prepared by:** Civic Services Manager  
**File No.:** CLM/19/1/1/2 - BP19/752

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#### **REPORT SUMMARY**

This report provides a schedule of proposed Council and Committee meetings for the remainder of 2019 and up to the next Local Government Election in 2020 and seeks Council's endorsement of the **ATTACHED** schedule.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council endorse the meeting schedule for Committee and Council meetings for the remainder of 2019 and up to the next Local Government Election in 2020, noting that the schedule may be amended at any time, subject to one month transition period to allow for public notices to be given.
- (b) That Council note that there will be no Committee meetings held in December 2019 and endorse that a Council meeting be held on the second Tuesday of December, being 10 December 2019.
- (c) That Council note that no Committee meetings will be held on Tuesday, 14 July 2020 due to the mid-year recess.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 Schedule of Meeting Dates for 2019 and up to the next Local Government Election in 2020

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Report Approved By:

**Joe So**  
**Executive Manager - Strategy and Innovation**

## ITEM 4 (continued)

### Discussion

Council has previously endorsed the following three (3) Standing Committees:-

- Works and Community Committee;
- Finance and Governance Committee;
- Ryde Central Committee;

Council's Code of Meeting Practice allows for the three (3) Standing Committee meetings to be held on the second Tuesday of the months February to December inclusive.

The Code allows for Council meetings to be held on the fourth Tuesday of the months February to December inclusive.

A schedule of meeting dates for the remainder of 2019 and up to the Local Government Election in 2020 is provided for in **ATTACHMENT 1** for Council's consideration. The calendar may be amended at any time if Council resolves to alter the meeting day or to adjust the Council/Committee structure, although at least one month transition period is required in order for public notices to be amended.

The proposed schedule has taken into account public holidays such as Easter, Anzac Day and a July mid-year recess. The 2019 Local Government Conference will be held from Monday, 14 October 2019 to Wednesday, 16 October 2019 and as such will have no impact on the proposed meeting schedule.

The schedule has followed normal procedure for the majority of the year, however slight amendments are recommended as follows:-

#### Schedule of Meetings for December 2019

As previously resolved by Council, Council meetings are scheduled to be held on the fourth Tuesday of the month. Councillors should note that the December Council meeting is scheduled for 24 December 2019 (which is Christmas Eve).

Having regard to this, it is proposed to cancel all Committee meetings (Works and Community, Finance and Governance and Ryde Central) scheduled for the second Tuesday of the month (10 December 2019) and just hold a Council meeting in December 2019, to be held on the second Tuesday on the month being 10 December 2019.

#### Mid-Year Recess – July 2020

It is recommended that Council's mid-year recess coincide with School Holidays from Monday, 6 July 2020 to Friday, 17 July 2020. Accordingly, it is recommended that no Committee meetings be held on Tuesday, 14 July 2020.

### Financial Implications

Adoption of the recommendations outlined in this report will have no financial impact as there is provision for the conduct of meetings allocated in the adopted 2019/2020 budget.

**ITEM 4 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**REMAINDER OF 2019 MEETING SCHEDULE**

DATE	MEETING TYPE	COMMENTS
<b>OCTOBER</b>		
01-Oct-19	No Meetings	
08-Oct-19	Works and Community Committee Meeting	Commencing at 6.00pm
08-Oct-19	Finance and Governance Committee Meeting	Commencing at 6.45pm
08-Oct-19	Ryde Central Committee Meeting	Commencing at 7.15pm
15-Oct-19	No Meetings	
22-Oct-19	<b>Council Meeting</b>	Commencing at 7.00pm
29-Oct-19	No Meetings	5th Tuesday
<b>NOVEMBER</b>		
05-Nov-19	No Meetings	
12-Nov-19	Works and Community Committee Meeting	Commencing at 6.00pm
12-Nov-19	Finance and Governance Committee Meeting	Commencing at 6.45pm
12-Nov-19	Ryde Central Committee Meeting	Commencing at 7.15pm
19-Nov-19	No Meetings	
26-Nov-19	<b>Council Meeting</b>	Commencing at 7.00pm
<b>DECEMBER</b>		
03-Dec-19	No Meetings	
10-Dec-19	No Works and Community Committee Meeting	Council Meeting to be Held
10-Dec-19	No Finance and Governance Committee Meeting	Council Meeting to be Held
10-Dec-19	No Ryde Central Committee Meeting	Council Meeting to be Held
10-Dec-19	<b>Council Meeting</b>	Commencing at 7.00pm

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**2020 MEETING SCHEDULE UP TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
ELECTION IN 2020**

DATE	MEETING TYPE	COMMENTS
<b>FEBRUARY</b>		
04-Feb-20	No Meetings	
11-Feb-20	Works and Community Committee Meeting	Commencing at 6.00pm
11-Feb-20	Finance and Governance Committee Meeting	Commencing at 6.45pm
11-Feb-20	Ryde Central Committee Meeting	Commencing at 7.15pm
18-Feb-20	No Meetings	
25-Feb-20	<b>Council Meeting</b>	Commencing at 7.00pm
<b>MARCH</b>		
03-Mar-20	No Meetings	
10-Mar-20	Works and Community Committee Meeting	Commencing at 6.00pm
10-Mar-20	Finance and Governance Committee Meeting	Commencing at 6.45pm
10-Mar-20	Ryde Central Committee Meeting	Commencing at 7.15pm
17-Mar-20	No Meetings	
24-Mar-20	<b>Council Meeting</b>	Commencing at 7.00pm
31-Mar-20	No Meetings	5th Tuesday
<b>APRIL</b>		
07-Apr-20	No Meetings	
14-Apr-20	Works and Community Committee Meeting	Commencing at 6.00pm
14-Apr-20	Finance and Governance Committee Meeting	Commencing at 6.45pm
14-Apr-20	Ryde Central Committee Meeting	Commencing at 7.15pm
21-Apr-20	No Meetings	
28-Apr-20	<b>Council Meeting</b>	Commencing at 7.00pm
<b>MAY</b>		
05-May-20	No Meetings	
12-May-20	Works and Community Committee Meeting	Commencing at 6.00pm
12-May-20	Finance and Governance Committee Meeting	Commencing at 6.45pm
12-May-20	Ryde Central Committee Meeting	Commencing at 7.15pm
19-May-20	No Meetings	
26-May-20	<b>Council Meeting</b>	Commencing at 7.00pm
<b>JUNE</b>		
02-Jun-20	No Meetings	
09-Jun-20	Works and Community Committee Meeting	Commencing at 6.00pm
09-Jun-20	Finance and Governance Committee Meeting	Commencing at 6.45pm
09-Jun-20	Ryde Central Committee Meeting	Commencing at 7.15pm
16-Jun-20	No Meetings	
23-Jun-20	<b>Council Meeting</b>	Commencing at 7.00pm
30-Jun-20	No Meetings	5th Tuesday

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**2020 MEETING SCHEDULE UP TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
ELECTION IN 2020 (continued)**

JULY		
07-Jul-20	No Meetings	
14-Jul-20	No Works and Community Committee Meeting	Mid-year recess
14-Jul-20	No Finance and Governance Committee Meeting	Mid-year recess
14-Jul-20	No Ryde Central Committee Meeting	Mid-year recess
21-Jul-20	No Meetings	
28-Jul-20	<b>Council Meeting</b>	Commencing at 7.00pm
AUGUST		
04-Aug-20	No Meetings	
11-Aug-20	Works and Community Committee Meeting	Commencing at 6.00pm
11-Aug-20	Finance and Governance Committee Meeting	Commencing at 6.45pm
11-Aug-20	Ryde Central Committee Meeting	Commencing at 7.15pm
18-Aug-20	No Meetings	
25-Aug-20	<b>Council Meeting</b>	Commencing at 7.00pm
SEPTEMBER		
01-Sep-20	No Meetings	

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**5 2019 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE - WARWICK FARM - 14 October to 16 October 2019**

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**Report prepared by:** Civic Support Officer  
**File No.:** CLM/19/1/1/2 - BP19/676

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

This report is presented to Council for its consideration of Councillor attendance at the 2019 Local Government NSW Annual Conference, to be held at The William Inglis Hotel, 155 Governor Macquarie Drive, Warwick Farm from Monday, 14 October 2018 to Wednesday, 16 October 2019.

This report will also consider any recommended Motions received from Councillors, to be submitted to Local Government NSW for inclusion in the Business Papers for the Conference. It is noted that no proposed motions were received from Councillors.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council nominate seven (7) Councillors to attend the 2019 Local Government NSW Annual Conference as voting delegates.
- (b) That Council nominate six (6) Councillors to vote in the Election for Office Bearers and the Board Election.
- (c) That Council note that the General Manager will determine which staff will attend the Conference.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 2019 Local Government NSW Annual Conference Program and Registration Details
- 2 RULE 4 – OBJECTS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
- 3 Councillor Attendance at Conferences Guidelines

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Report Approved By:

**Amanda Janvrin**  
**Civic Services Manager**

**Joe So**  
**Executive Manager - Strategy and Innovation**

## **ITEM 5 (continued)**

### **Discussion**

#### Conference

The 2019 Local Government NSW Annual Conference will be held from Monday, 14 October 2019 to Wednesday, 16 October 2019 at The William Inglis Hotel, Warwick Farm. Attached is a copy of the Program and Registration details for the Conference (**ATTACHMENT 1**).

The Conference is the annual policy-making event for all Councils of New South Wales. It is the pre-eminent event of the Local Government year where local Councillors come together to share ideas and debate issues that shape the way we are governed.

#### Delegates Representing the City of Ryde

Council has been advised by Local Government NSW (LGNSW) that it is entitled to send seven (7) Councillors to the Conference as voting delegates.

In this regard, this report recommends that Council select seven (7) Councillors to attend the Conference as voting delegates.

#### Voting

This year the Conference will involve two types of voting and LGNSW is required to develop two separate rolls of voters:

1. **Voting on Motions**
2. **Voting in the Election for Office Bearers and the Board (Board Election)**

Ordinary members need to advise LGNSW of the name(s) of their nominated voting delegate(s) for both types of voting: voting on motions and voting in the Board Election.

With respect to voting in the Board Election, LGNSW has advised Council that six (6) Councillors are entitled to vote in the Election for Office Bearers and the Board Election.

In this regard, this report recommends that Council select six (6) Councillors to vote in the Election for Office Bearers and the Board Election.

## ITEM 5 (continued)

### Motions

Local Government NSW has requested input from Councils, to guide the content of business sessions at the conference and is requesting Councils to ensure that the motions debate centres on advancing the sector wide policy agenda.

Councils were asked to identify motions relating to the following overall categories:-

1. Association Business (Industrial Relations and Employment policy)
2. Economic policy
3. Infrastructure and planning policy
4. Social and Community policy
5. Environmental policy
6. Governance and Accountability of Councils (eg. legislative and regulatory setting, elections, participation, reform)

Further, the LGNSW Board has resolved that motions will be included in the Business Paper for the Conference only where they meet the following criteria:-

1. Are consistent with the objects of the Association (see Rule 4 of the Association's rules – **ATTACHMENT 2**);
2. Relate to Local Government in NSW and/or across Australia;
3. Concern or are likely to concern Local Government as a sector;
4. Seek to advance the Local Government policy agenda of the Association and/or improve governance of the Association;
5. Have a lawful purpose (a motion does not have a lawful purpose if its implementation would require or encourage non-compliance with prevailing laws);
6. Are clearly worded and unambiguous in nature; and
7. Do not express preference for one or several members over one or several other members.

The Board has advised that it will not include motions in the Business Paper which do not advance the local government policy agenda. Therefore a motion will not be included if it is operational, rather than strategic; not local government business; focused on a local issue only or if the motion is consistent with past policies and actions of LGNSW or the Local Government and Shire's Association.

Local Government NSW have advised all Councils to submit proposed motions by 19 August 2019, however, in accordance with the Local Government NSW rules, the latest date motions can be accepted for inclusion in the Conference Business Paper is 16 September 2019. All Motions must be adopted by Council before submission to the Association.



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Councillors were invited through the Councillor Information Bulletin dated 2 July 2019 to submit proposed motions and notes for Council to consider endorsing for submission to Local Government NSW for inclusion in the Business Papers for the Conference. Councillors were requested to submit any draft motions by 12 July 2019. It is noted that no motions were received from Councillors. The Executive Team have also not proposed any motions for Council's consideration.

**Attendance at the Conference**

Councillors can attend the Conference using their own vehicle and receive reimbursement on the travel expenses per kilometre should they wish to drive. Alternatively, taxi e-tickets can be issued to Councillors for travel to and from the Conference.

As this Conference is held in the Sydney Metropolitan area, accommodation will not be provided.

**Critical Dates**

The following deadlines are required to be met:-

- Early bird registrations paid by 9 September 2019.
- Councillor delegates and motions are to be determined and confirmed at the Council Meeting on Tuesday, 23 July 2019.
- Motions are to be submitted by 12 midnight, Monday, 19 August 2019 and no later than 16 September 2019.
- Voting Delegates on motions and Board Election will be confirmed to the Association by 12 midnight on Friday, 20 September 2019.

**Financial Impact**

Early-bird registration cost for the Conference is \$840.00 per person (paid by 9 September 2019).

Standard registration cost for the Conference is \$940.00 per person (paid by 1 October 2019).

Four (4) Optional Events:

President's Opening Reception:	\$ 88.00
Councillor Training session:	\$ 44.00
The ALGWA breakfast:	\$ 55.00
Conference Dinner:	\$110.00

**ITEM 5 (continued)**

In addition to the above summary, it is anticipated that additional costs for incidentals, meals and taxi fares would also be incurred. This will be determined after the Conference.

The total cost for attending this Conference is approximately \$1,137 (excluding meals, incidentals and taxi fare charges).

Currently there is an allocation of \$33,500 left in the 2019/2020 budget for Conferences.

**Policy Implications**

The City of Ryde has regularly participated in the Annual Local Government NSW Conference. Funding is allocated in the annual budget for delegates to attend the Conference. The Policy on Expenses and Facilities for the Mayor and Other Councillors sets out the entitlements for Councillors attending such Conferences.

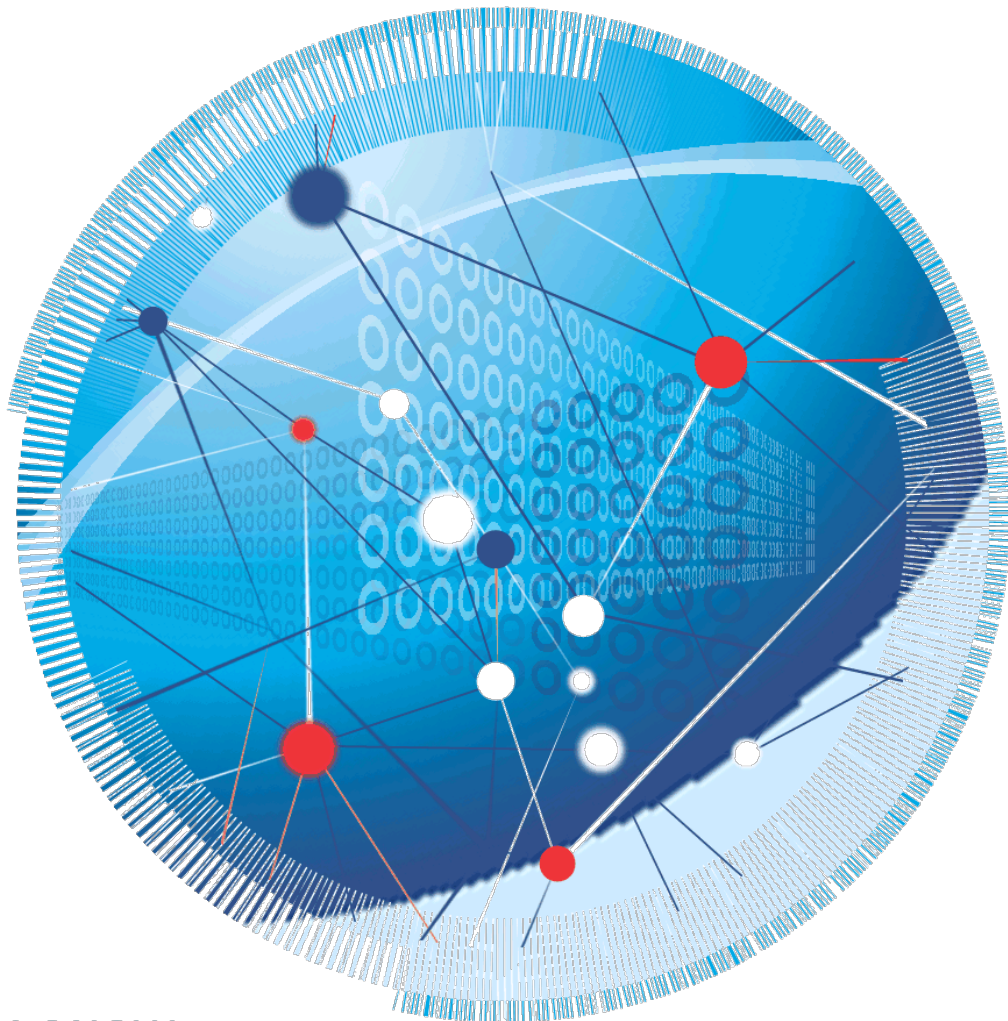
**ATTACHMENT 3** is the Guidelines for Councillor Attendance at Conferences. The Guidelines provide that in addition to the Local Government NSW Conference and the Australian Local Government Conference, every Councillor is entitled to attend a conference in NSW, Canberra, metropolitan Brisbane or metropolitan Melbourne.

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**ATTACHMENT 1**



**REGISTRATION**



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**WARWICK FARM**  
**14-16 OCTOBER 2019**



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ATTACHMENT 1

## WELCOME TO THE LGNSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2019

LGNSW ANNUAL  
CONFERENCE  
REGISTRATION 2019

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**Welcome from  
the President**  
Cr Linda Scott



**Welcome to  
Liverpool**  
Mayor Wendy Waller  
Liverpool City Council

On behalf of the Board, I am delighted to welcome you to our 2019 LGNSW Annual Conference at Warwick Farm, in Liverpool - our 7th as a combined organisation. Conference is always a fantastic opportunity to bring together mayors, councillors and senior staff from across NSW to meet, debate, listen to and learn from each other.

It's also our most important policy setting forum, as the resolutions adopted here will set the advocacy agenda for the coming year. In past years, motions moved by Blue Mountains City Council and Wagga Wagga City Council have driven our advocacy on libraries, which successfully increased public library funding by \$60 million over the next four years, as reflected in this year's NSW Budget.

Motions moved by Bourke, Bland and Gunnedah Shire Councils reinforced advocacy that helped achieve \$355 million in additional drought assistance in the NSW Budget, including the new \$170 million Drought Stimulus Package, most of which will be channelled through drought affected councils. This year, your motion could lead to the changes needed for the public good of your community.

We know your local advocacy is so important, and that's why we're excited to be able to offer you the opportunity to meet a number of NSW ministers at a networking breakfast and, as always, there will be a comprehensive public service and trade exhibitions running throughout the conference.

It promises to be an exciting and rewarding few days. I look forward to seeing you at Warwick Farm in October.

Liverpool City Council welcomes all delegates attending the 2019 LGNSW Annual Conference. We hope you enjoy the conference and your stay in Liverpool.

We are honoured to have the opportunity to showcase our thriving city, which is settling into its position as Sydney's third CBD, the gateway city to Western Sydney International Airport.

Liverpool's story is an extraordinary one. Australia's fourth-oldest settlement has built on its indigenous heritage and welcomed people from 150 cultures who now live together harmoniously.

Our doors are always open to people who want to make a new life in Australia and our young people are more ambitious than ever.

Our city is undergoing rapid change and Council is continually evolving to deliver for the community.

Liverpool has recently welcomed two universities and our hospital is undergoing a \$740 million upgrade. With all these changes, we are also keeping what we love about our city - heart and history.

We are pleased to host the conference at the new William Inglis Hotel and look forward to greeting you at the welcome function at Liverpool's premier arts and cultural institution, the Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre.

Once again, welcome to Liverpool. We hope you take the opportunity to explore our lively, walkable CBD and the unique profile it has to offer.



Liverpool celebrations. Ben Williams Photography

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**CONFERENCE VENUE**

LGNSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
REGISTRATION 2019

**The William Inglis Hotel**

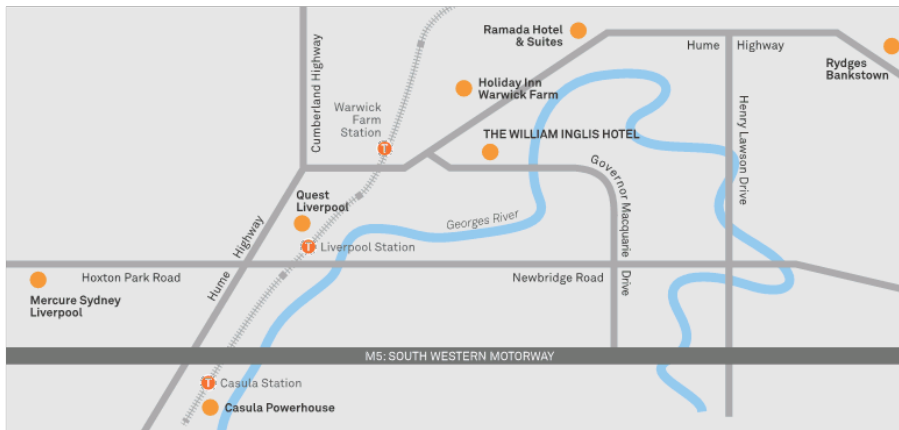
by Sofitel Warwick Farm

The conference will take place at The William Inglis Hotel, which is on Governor Macquarie Drive and directly accessible by road and train. Warwick Farm is only 40 minutes from Sydney's Kingsford Smith Airport and 10 minutes from the M5 Motorway. The hotel is also 10 minutes walking distance from Warwick Farm train station on the main Liverpool line and directly accessible from the Hume Highway at Warwick Farm.

The Sales Arena will be the venue for the plenary sessions. The trade exhibition will be in The Big Barn and Stable B, situated within the hotel's gardens and grounds.



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**Conference Overview**

The 2019 conference program will begin with a Meet the Politicians breakfast event. Concurrent councillor training workshops will be available from 10am until 4.30pm (ticketed events). The Delegate Lounge sponsored by Transport for NSW will be open from lunch time. The President's Opening Reception will take place at Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre, where the exhibitions will be open to delegates to view.

On Day 2 the conference's full trade exhibition opens as do the federal and state conferences, followed by business sessions and consideration of motions. Voting for LGNSW Board President, Vice Presidents, Treasurer and Directors will also take place throughout the day.

We will return to the Sales Arena that evening for the Conference Gala Dinner, which will be preceded by pre-dinner drinks outside in The Two Figs area (weather permitting).

Day 3 of the conference begins with the Australian Local Government Women's Association (ALGWA NSW) breakfast and a panel discussing Women in Leadership (ticketed event).

The plenary sessions will focus on innovation and aim to create discussion and inspire new thinking on how councils can address their challenges. Through the sharing of information, we will explore how councils can work together to develop innovative approaches to tackle common problems in the provision of facilities and services for their communities.

Be sure to stay until conference closing to hear from global futurist Chris Riddell. You will leave the conference with a clear vision of the challenges and opportunities to come!

If you are posting conference content on Twitter or Instagram, please use the hashtag #lgnsw2019.

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ATTACHMENT 1

## BUSINESS PROGRAM

LGNSW ANNUAL  
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### Local Government NSW Annual Conference 2019

Full program details will be published on the LGNSW website. [www.lgnsw.org.au](http://www.lgnsw.org.au)

### Abridged version of the Program as at July 2019

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#### MONDAY 14 OCTOBER William Inglis Hotel - MGallery, 155 Governor Macquarie Drive, Warwick Farm

7.00am – 9.30am	Meet the Politicians networking breakfast, <i>Sales Arena</i>
9.30am – 4.30pm	Registration
10.00am – 4.30pm	Councillor training workshops
10.00am – 12.00pm	<a href="#">Workshop 1a</a> - Financial Decision-Making in Local Government, <i>Garden Pavilion</i> <a href="#">Workshop 1b</a> - Understanding and Measuring Social Impact, <i>Grand Armee</i>
1.00pm – 2.30pm	<a href="#">Workshop 2a</a> - Land Use Planning for Councillors, <i>Garden Pavilion</i> <a href="#">Workshop 2b</a> - Update on the Code of Conduct, <i>Grand Armee</i>
3.00pm – 4.30pm	<a href="#">Workshop 3a</a> - Local Government Procurement: Efficiencies and Opportunities, <i>Garden Pavilion</i> <a href="#">Workshop 3b</a> - Speaking and Debating Skills, <i>Grand Armee</i>
1.00pm – 4.30pm	Delegate Lounge sponsored by Transport for NSW open for networking, <i>Pavilion B</i>
6.00pm – 8.00pm	President's Opening Reception at <a href="#">Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre</a> , 1 Powerhouse Road, Casula

#### TUESDAY 15 OCTOBER

7.30am – 5.00pm	Registration opens, outdoor covered area between conference room and exhibition
8.00am – 9.00am	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Voting for LGNSW Board President, Vice Presidents, Treasurer and Directors, <i>Garden Pavilion</i>
9.10am – 9.15am	Welcome to Country on behalf of Gandangara Aboriginal Land Council, <a href="#">Uncle Malcolm Maccoll</a>
9.15am – 11.00am	Address from <a href="#">Cr Linda Scott</a> , President, LGNSW  Opening of the Federal Conference, chaired by <a href="#">Cr Linda Scott</a> , including demonstration of voting units, adoption of standing orders, presentation of the auditor's report, general financial report and operating report to members, business session and consideration of motions.  Opening of the State Conference, chaired by <a href="#">Cr Linda Scott</a> , including adoption of standing orders, presentation of the auditor's report, general financial report and operating report to members, business sessions, and consideration of motions.
11.00am – 11.30am	Morning tea in trade exhibition, The Big Barn and Exhibition Stables <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Voting for LGNSW Board President, Vice Presidents, Treasurer and Directors, <i>Garden Pavilion</i>
11.30am – 5.00pm	Business session and consideration of motions
1.00pm – 2.00pm	Lunch in trade exhibition, The Big Barn and Exhibition Stables <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Voting for LGNSW Board President, Vice Presidents, Treasurer and Directors, <i>Garden Pavilion</i>
3.30pm – 4.00pm	Afternoon tea in trade exhibition, The Big Barn and Exhibition Stables <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Voting for LGNSW Board President, Vice Presidents, Treasurer and Directors, <i>Garden Pavilion</i>
7.30pm – 11.00pm	<a href="#">Conference dinner</a> William Inglis Hotel, 155 Governor Macquarie Drive, Warwick Farm



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7.30am – 8.45am	Australian Local Government Women's Association (ALGWA NSW) Breakfast, <i>The Big Barn</i>
9.15am – 9.20am	Introduction by Master of Ceremonies, <a href="#">Ms Ellen Fanning</a>
9.20am – 10.00am	Opening keynote to be advised
10.05am – 10.35am	Address from <a href="#">Cr Linda Scott</a> , President, LGNSW on Association Initiatives and Treasurer's Report
11.05am – 11.45pm	Presentation from <a href="#">Mr Paul Hawkins</a> , Chief Combobulator, Crazy Might Work Disruptive by Design: A Collaborative Approach to Solving Wicked Problems
11.45am – 12.45pm	Innovation Spotlight. Panel facilitated by <a href="#">Ellen Fanning</a>
12.45pm – 1.45pm	General Managers Lunch
1.50pm – 2.15pm	Speaker to be confirmed
2.20pm – 3.20pm	Closing Keynote address: <a href="#">Mr Chris Riddell</a> , global futurist
3.30pm – 4.00pm	Afternoon tea

This program is correct at the time of publication; speakers and program details may have changed due to unforeseen circumstances.



Liverpool lights up. Ben Williams Photography



Liverpool Library – Sharing Knowledge

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### Registration to Attend the Conference

Registrations are now open on the [LGNSW website](#). We invite councillors, mayors, general managers and senior staff to register as individuals or groups.

**Member Early bird registration rate is \$840 and applies if you register and pay by 9 September 2019**

**Member Standard registration rate is \$940 for all registrations from 10 September – 2 October 2019**

**Dinner is not included in the overall registration cost and is an optional added cost of \$110.** Members wanting to take advantage of the early bird rates, who are uncertain of the names of councillors attending, can still register and pay now and confirm names later, provided they do so by 2 October. (Delegates' names and alterations to delegates' names can be completed online.)

**Note:** Voting delegates must be registered to attend the Conference and be registered as a voting delegate.

### Registration as a Voting Delegate

Separate from Conference registration, financial members must nominate the names of their voting delegates for voting on motions and, where applicable, for voting in the LGNSW Board election, by 12 midnight (AEST) on Friday, 20 September 2019.

For all information relating to voting entitlements, nominations and dates, please refer to the [LGNSW website](#).

### Register Online at [www.lgnsw.org.au](http://www.lgnsw.org.au)

Online registration is conducted through a secure site which accepts credit cards (Visa or Mastercard with a 1.0% surcharge), cheque and direct deposit payments. Once you have registered, you will receive a confirmation email and a tax invoice. Your registration will be confirmed once full payment is received.

### Delegate Registration

On Monday, 14 October registration will open from 9.30am – 4.30 under cover between the main conference room and trade exhibition. Registration will move to the President's Opening Reception at Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre from 8.00pm – 8.00pm. Registration opens from 7.30am on Tuesday, 15 October at the William Inglis Hotel in the same area as the previous day.

Delegate registration fees include business papers, the President's Opening Reception, two-day business sessions including morning and afternoon tea, lunch, delegate networking functions, name badge and a satchel. The cost to attend the conference is heavily subsidised by LGNSW and sponsors.

### Optional Events

- Councillor training sessions incur a fee of \$55 and are part of the online registration optional events.
- The ALGWA breakfast is not part of the conference registration fee and is priced separately at \$55.
- The Meet the Politicians Networking Event is offered free of charge to members, on Monday 14 October, but you must register for this event to gain entry.
- The conference dinner is optional (\$110).

- A special interest session for general managers only is offered free of charge on Wednesday 16 October. Register online.

The conference fee does not cover accommodation or partner attendance. Partners wishing to attend social functions need to book and pay online.

### Sponsor Registration Fees

Each sponsorship level includes a certain number of registrations. If sponsors wish to register additional staff, we have a special rate per person that includes the President's Opening Reception only. Tickets must be purchased separately for the dinner. All sponsors (whether included in your package or extra) must register attendance via the online registration portal.

### Registration Fees (inclusive of GST)

DELEGATES	FEES
Member Early Bird Registration (paid by 9 September 2019)*	\$840
Member Standard Registration (paid by 1 October 2019)*	\$940
Conference Dinner Ticket (optional)	\$110
Non-member Early Bird Registration (paid by 9 September 2019)	\$1680
Non-member Standard Registration (paid by 1 October 2019)	\$1880
Non-member Conference Dinner Ticket	\$220
Sponsors Extra Staff Registration (paid by 1 October 2019)	\$550
Airport transfers each way	\$22
PARTNERS AND EXTRA GUESTS	
President's Opening Reception	\$88
Conference Dinner Ticket	\$110
Training Sessions (see draft program on website)	\$44
ALGWA Breakfast	\$55

\* excludes dinner

### Confirmation, Cancellation Policy and Enquiries

Should you be unable to attend, once registered, a substitute delegate is welcome to attend in your place at no additional charge. All cancellations and amendments must be advised in writing to the Conference Secretariat, Bradley Hayden at [Bradley@ccem.com.au](mailto:Bradley@ccem.com.au). Cancellations made by 5.00pm Tuesday 1 October 2019 will be eligible for a full refund less a \$220 administration fee per registration. Cancellations made after 5.00pm on this date are not refundable.

### Special Requirements

If you have any special dietary requirements, access or other needs, please ensure you complete the appropriate section of the online registration form.



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### Privacy

When you register for the conference, LGNSW collects personal information from you to process your registration.

If you do not provide or we cannot otherwise collect all the information we request or need, we may not be able to register you for the conference.

LGNSW may disclose your personal information to third party conference organisers and third party service providers, who may be located overseas and may store your information overseas.

We may with your consent where required, use your contact details to send you (by telephone, post, email or SMS) marketing communications about our programs, products, services, promotions and events. You can opt out of marketing communications at any time, by particular means or at all, by following the unsubscribe function in the message we send, or by emailing or calling us.

Our privacy policy, which is available at [lgnsw.org.au/privacy](http://lgnsw.org.au/privacy) or by emailing or calling us on the details below, explains more about the types of personal information we usually collect and how we handle your personal information, as well as how you can request access to and correct personal information we hold about you, how you can complain about our handling of your personal information and how we deal with complaints.

For privacy related enquiries please contact us on 02 9242 4000, at [lgnsw@lgnsw.org.au](mailto:lgnsw@lgnsw.org.au) or at GPO Box 7003, Sydney NSW 2001.

### Delegate Contact Details

Please note that a nametag scanning facility will be available on site for sponsors and exhibitors to scan delegates' nametags, with their agreement, resulting in delegate contact details going straight to the sponsor or exhibitor. By registering for the conference, you are deemed to have acknowledged and accepted this process.

### Photography

There will be a photographer at the conference who will take pictures during the sessions and social functions. If you have your picture taken it is assumed you consent to LGNSW using images. Images may be used for print and electronic publications.

### Liability for your Registration

In the event of unforeseen circumstances, LGNSW and the Conference Secretariat do not accept responsibility or liability for the loss of expenses incurred by delay, cancellation, or miscommunication. By completing and submitting the online registration form, you are deemed to have read and accepted the cancellation and privacy information.

### Contact

The Conference Secretariat, Bradley Hayden, is your contact for:

- Sponsorship enquiries, bookings and the trade exhibition
- Registration and function enquiries for delegates, sponsors and partners including payments and inclusions

**Email** [bradley@ccem.com.au](mailto:bradley@ccem.com.au)  
**Phone** 0412 461 392  
**Address** PO Box 5013, Albury NSW 2640

LGNSW manages arrangements for delegates, observers and partners attending this year's conference in relation to:

- Business papers and conference material
- Applications for service awards (to be presented as part of the Conference Gala Dinner)
- All general enquiries regarding the business program

**Email** [events@lgnsw.org.au](mailto:events@lgnsw.org.au)  
**Phone** 02 9242 4000  
**Address** GPO Box 7003, Sydney NSW 2001

### Voting on Conference Motions

Conference motions are your opportunity to ask LGNSW to advocate for the issues important to your community at a state level. If you are a voting representative for your council, you **MUST** be in the main auditorium on Tuesday 15 October by 9.15am so that a quorum can be achieved. Voting at the conference will be by electronic handsets and a delegate plastic voting card will be distributed at registration. The plastic voting card must be returned at the end of the voting day or a fee of \$100 per card will be invoiced. Electronic handsets will be distributed at accessible points to the main theatre auditorium. A demonstration of the cards and electronic handsets will be given prior to business motion voting. Lanyards will also identify those who are voting delegates.

#### Contact LGNSW regarding:

- Voting delegate entitlements
- The 2019 Annual Conference dates and deadlines

For information relating to council voting entitlements, please contact Adam Dansie on 02 9242 4140. For details regarding your voting entitlements or how to change your voting delegate's name, please refer to the LGNSW website.

A reminder that registration as a voting delegate is a **separate process** to conference registration.

### Business Papers

Member councils will receive a printed copy, for each registered voting delegate, of the business paper one week before the conference. Papers will also be available to download from LGNSW's website at this time.

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### Guide to submitting Motions

See our new [Motions Submission Guide](#) on the conference page of LGNSW's website, information on how to write and submit a motion, how motions are dealt with at conference and what happens following the Conference.

Members are encouraged to review the [Record of Decisions](#) from the previous year's conference to avoid duplication and check our progress.

### Policy Platform

LGNSW also recently published a [Policy Platform](#) to consolidate the policies and positions of LGNSW – as determined by members – into a single document for ease of reference. The Policy Platform can be found on the [LGNSW website](#).

Prior to voting on motions, the Policy Platform will be presented for members to endorse its fundamental principles.

### Condition of Entry

It is a condition of entry that no delegate may disrupt the order of events or intent of the program. Anyone considered to be disturbing the program intent will be asked to leave. Only pamphlets and brochures approved by the event organisers may be distributed.

### Service Awards and the AR Bluett Awards

Outstanding Service and Emeritus Mayor Awards will be presented during the conference on Tuesday 15 October 2019 to those who have given outstanding service to local government. To enable the processing of awards, councils are asked to advise LGNSW whether nominees for the award will be attending the conference. If not attending as a delegate, a dinner ticket will need to be purchased. The deadline for applications for awards to be presented at the conference is Monday 2 September 2019.

A letter confirming the presentation will be sent to your general manager. If you do not receive confirmation by Monday 30 September, please contact Karen Rolls at LGNSW on 02 9242 4050.

The online nomination form can be found on the [LGNSW website](#).

The AR Bluett Memorial Trustees will also present the prestigious AR Bluett Awards during the business program to councils that have been recognised as the most progressive in NSW in 2018/19. Widely acknowledged as the greatest accolade a council can achieve, this will be the 75th year for which the awards have been presented.



### Accommodation

We encourage attendees to book accommodation as early as possible. Information on travel and accommodation is available on the LGNSW website.

Complimentary parking is available at the William Inglis Hotel.

### Coach Transfers

Complimentary coach transfers will be offered between the conference venue and social functions from the hotels listed below, courtesy of Liverpool Council. Should you require a transfer it must be booked as part of your registration.

In addition, subsidised coach transfers will run from Sydney airport to the motels on Sunday afternoon and Monday as well as a return on the Wednesday afternoon. The charge is \$22 per person each way and these must be booked as part of the registration process.

Transfer hotels include:

- William Inglis Hotel
- Holiday Inn Warwick Farm
- Quest Liverpool
- Rydges Bankstown
- Ramada Hotel
- Mercure Liverpool

### Child Care Arrangements

If you require child care please contact: [www.dummiesandplaydates.com.au](http://www.dummiesandplaydates.com.au) or call 0412 791 528

### Environmental Sustainability Commitment

LGNSW is committed to ensuring the LGNSW Annual Conference 2019 is organised and conducted in a sustainable manner to reduce the impact on the planet. The event will adhere to LGNSW Principles and Guidelines for Event Sustainability.

### Sponsorships and Partnerships

If you are interested in sponsoring the conference, giving support or taking part in our trade display, please contact the Conference Secretariat, Bradley Hayden, Countrywide Conference and Event Management at [bradley@ccem.com.au](mailto:bradley@ccem.com.au).

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SOCIAL PROGRAM

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President's Opening Reception

Monday 14 October, 6.00pm – 8.00pm  
Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre,  
1 Powerhouse Road Casula  
(Enter via Shepherd Street Liverpool)  
Dress: smart casual for indoor/outdoor evening event.

Join special guests, fellow councillors, the LGNSW Board, general managers, sponsors and speakers for an official welcome and informal cocktail reception at Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre. Hear the symphonic tones of River City Voices choir, renowned for its vocal excellence, special artistic programs and events. Grab a drink and wander through the art gallery. One Past Liverpool, will be showing throughout October.

Transfer buses leave from the William Inglis Hotel and various hotels from 5.30pm and will loop back to the same hotels from 7.30pm.



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Conference Gala Dinner

Tuesday 15 October, doors open at 7.30pm.  
Pre-dinner drinks in The Two Figs area from 7.00pm (weather dependant)  
Sales Arena, The William Inglis Hotel  
Dress Code: Cocktail lounge suit  
Cost \$110

Allocated seating required; register as part of the conference registration process. If you require a dinner transfer from selected hotels, please book online during registration.

Enjoy entertainment from Tom Burlinson, one of Australia's most popular and successful actors and entertainers. Since 2015 Tom has helped celebrate the 100th anniversary of the birth of Frank Sinatra by performing the classic live album 'Sinatra at the Sands' at major venues around Australia. The band will stay on and entertain you throughout the evening.



Tom Burlinson

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Casula Powerhouse



Sales Arena - William Inglis Hotel

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## OPTIONAL TICKETED EVENTS

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### Meet The Politicians Breakfast

Monday, 14 October, 7.00am for 7.20am start  
Sales Arena, The William Inglis Hotel  
Cost: Free of charge to members

This optional event is part of the annual conference program and attendance is free to all members registered to attend the conference – simply RSVP for the breakfast as part of your registration.

### Councillor training workshops

Monday 14 October  
Cost: \$44 per workshop

Access to training workshops will be for ticket holders only. Tickets can be purchased in advance when registering for the conference and include afternoon tea.

#### 10.00am – 12.00pm

**Workshop 1a** – Financial Decision – Making in Local Government, *Garden Pavilion*  
**Workshop 1b** – Understanding and Measuring Social Impact, *Grand Armee*

#### 1.00pm – 2.30pm

**Workshop 2a** – Land Use Planning for Councillors, *Garden Pavilion*

**Workshop 2b** – Update on the Code of Conduct, *Grand Armee*

#### 3.00pm – 4.30pm

**Workshop 3a** – Local Government Procurement: Efficiencies and Opportunities, *Garden Pavilion*  
**Workshop 3b** – Speaking and Debating Skills, *Grand Armee*

#### 1.00pm – 4.30pm

Delegate Lounge sponsored by Transport for NSW open for networking, *Pavilion B*

### Australian Local Government Women's Association (ALGWA NSW) Breakfast

Wednesday, 16 October,  
7.15am for 7.30am start – 8.45am  
The Big Barn, The William Inglis Hotel  
Cost \$55. Access to the breakfast will be for ticket holders only. Tickets can be purchased in advance when registering for the conference.

#### Women in Leadership – Panel

This year's breakfast will feature a panel discussion on the topic of women in leadership. Inspiring women will share their experiences, challenges and advice. Ellen Fanning will facilitate an interactive discussion with the panel and audience.

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**ATTACHMENT 2**

**RULE 4 – OBJECTS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION**

4. The objects of the Association shall be in New South Wales and elsewhere:
- (a) to encourage, promote, protect and foster an efficient and effective autonomous, democratic system of Local Government elected by and responsible to local communities with its position constitutionally guaranteed and with adequate resources including revenue from State and Commonwealth Governments;
  - (b) to promote, maintain and protect the interests, rights and privileges of Local Government in New South Wales and of the constituent members of the Association;
  - (c) to encourage and assist Local Government to seek out, determine, assess and respond to the needs and aspirations of its constituents;
  - (d) to encourage, assist, promote and foster the achievement and maintenance of the highest level of integrity, justice, competence, effectiveness and efficiency of Local Government;
  - (e) to develop, encourage, promote, foster and maintain consultation and co-operation between councils and Local, State and Commonwealth Governments and their instrumentalities;
  - (f) to develop, encourage, promote, foster and maintain the financial and economic well-being and advancement of Local Government and for such purposes to undertake, establish, acquire, conduct or dispose of any business, enterprise, undertaking or venture which in the opinion of the Association is necessary, desirable or convenient;
  - (g) to represent the members of the Association and Local Government generally in their dealings with State and Commonwealth Governments, with statutory and other corporations, with the media and with the public;
  - (h) to promote, support and encourage Local Government at a State and national level;
  - (i) to provide an industrial relations service to members including:
    - (i) representing the interests of members in industrial matters before courts and tribunals;
    - (ii) assisting in negotiations relating to the settlement of disputes between members and their employees;
    - (iii) representing the interests of members in negotiating the establishment of and/or variation of industrial awards and agreements;
    - (iv) promoting training programs aimed at enhancing the performance of Local Government.
  - (j) to undertake or promote any activity which the Board determines to be for the benefit and/or interest of members and local government in New South Wales.

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**ATTACHMENT 3**



## Councillor Attendance at Conferences Guideline

### Related Policy

This guideline sets out the criteria to determine the attendance of Councillors at Conferences. It relates to the Policy on the Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities for the Mayor and Other Councillors.

### Guidelines

Council acknowledges the value of Councillor attendance at conferences to enable them to be both knowledgeable and current on issues affecting the City of Ryde. In order to ensure that attendance at Conferences is equitable, transparent and consistent, attendance will be limited as follows:

1. Local Government Association Conference – the number of voting delegates plus one. Details of the delegates and attendee to be determined by resolution of Council.
2. Australian Local Government Association Conference.
3. In addition, to 1 and 2 above, every Councillor is entitled to attend one conference in either NSW, Canberra, metropolitan Brisbane or metropolitan Melbourne. The conference must directly relate to the business of Council. More than one Councillor may attend the same conference if Council resolves that this will be beneficial for both Council and the Councillors concerned.
4. Within 2 months after the conference the attending Councillor must report to Council on the proceedings of the conference. That report will be included in the Councillors Information Bulletin.
5. No Councillor can attend a Conference without the prior approval of Council. Reports to Council are to include details of the Conference and an estimate of the associated costs including registration, transport and accommodation.
6. Council may resolve that a Councillor can attend more than one conference per year but this determination will be dependant on budgetary constraints and with an emphasis on ensuring that all Councillors have equal access to conferences.
7. Each year, as part of the review of the Policy on the Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities for the Mayor and Other Councillors, Council officers will provide a full report of expenditure and Conference attendance by Councillors.

<b>Councillor Attendance at Conferences guideline</b>		
Owner: Governance Unit	Accountability: Mayoral and Councillor support service	
Trim Reference: D10/77193	Policy: Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities for the Mayor and other Councillors	One Page only

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## 6 PLANNING PROPOSAL - HERITAGE REVIEW

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**Report prepared by:** Senior Strategic Planner

**File No.:** LEP2019/38/4 - BP19/549

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### REPORT SUMMARY

At its meeting of 28 November 2017 Council unanimously resolved:

*That Council, in order to ensure certainty in the development process, undertakes a City wide heritage study to ensure items of heritage significance are identified and options for their adequate protection recommended.*

In response to the above resolution GML Heritage Consultants were engaged by Council in 2018 to conduct a detailed heritage review of the City of Ryde Local Government Area.

GML Consultants have identified in a report titled "City of Ryde Heritage Review" dated June 2019 (**ATTACHMENT 1 – CONFIDENTIAL – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**) built, landscape and archaeological items that are of heritage significance to the City of Ryde for inclusion in *Schedule 5 Environmental heritage* of the Ryde Local Environmental Plan 2014 (RLEP2014).

Based on the recommendations of the GML report, a Planning Proposal (the Proposal) (**ATTACHMENT 2 – CONFIDENTIAL – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**) has been prepared. The Proposal seeks to make the following amendments to *Schedule 5 Environmental heritage* of RLEP2014:

1. *Part 1 Heritage Items* – 44 new heritage items.
2. *Part 2 Heritage conservation areas* – 6 new heritage conservation areas
3. *Part 3 Archaeological sites* – 2 new archaeological sites.
4. Amend descriptions of 8 existing heritage items.

The Proposal also seeks to amend RLEP2014 *Heritage Maps* to incorporate the additional heritage items, conservation areas and archaeological sites.

The Proposal was reviewed by the Ryde Local Planning Panel at its meeting of 4 July 2019. The Panel has advised the following:

*The Panel recommends to Council that the planning proposal be submitted for Gateway Determination under Section 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.*

This report outlines the Proposal and provides a preliminary assessment in accordance with the requirements of the gateway plan-making process.

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As the proposed changes will ensure that places of high heritage significance are identified and adequately protected, this report recommends that Council supports forwarding the Proposal to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment for a Gateway Determination and, upon receipt of approval, to undertake community consultation. An extensive community consultation program is proposed including community drop-in sessions, multi-lingual materials, and letter box drops to directly affected owners. Drop in sessions will held in locations to facilitate attendance by impacted residents. A Councillor Workshop will also be held (currently scheduled for August 2019) prior to the Proposal being reported back to Council.

It is also proposed to increase the funding available to owners of Heritage Items under Council's *Local Heritage Assistance Fund*. Currently, \$75,000 (2019/20-2021/22) is allocated to fund this program, which offers grants of up to \$5,000 for works to conserve and enhance the significance of Heritage Items. A one off increase of \$500,000 is proposed, with the additional funds to be subject to a maximum grant of \$15,000. The purpose of this increase is to ensure sufficient funds are available for owners of existing and newly listed items, should the Planning Proposal proceed.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council submit the Planning Proposal - Heritage Review for Gateway Determination, in accordance with Section 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and that Council request delegation from the Minister to implement the Plan.
- (b) That Council, when the Gateway Determination is issued pursuant to Section 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, delegate authority to the General Manager to publicly exhibit the Planning Proposal. A further report will be presented to Council following the completion of the exhibition period.
- (c) That Council allocate an additional \$500,000 from General Revenue to Council's existing *Local Heritage Assistance Fund* and that this additional funding be available for grants of up to \$15,000. A further report detailing the grant process will be presented to Council with the results of the exhibition of the Planning Proposal.
- (d) That a two hour Councillor Workshop be held to discuss the Heritage Review and the Local Heritage Assistance Fund.
- (e) That the General Manager write to the Hon. Member for Lane Cove, Anthony Roberts MP, the Hon. Member for Ryde, Victor Dominello MP, and the Hon Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, Rob Stokes MP, to seek their support for the Heritage Review and the expeditious processing of the Planning Proposal.



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- 1 City of Ryde Heritage Review dated June 2019 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER – CONFIDENTIAL
- 2 Planning Proposal Heritage Review – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER - CONFIDENTIAL
- 3 Consultation Program

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### Background

#### Ryde Heritage Study 2010

The *Ryde Heritage Study 2010* identified and recommended the heritage listing of 71 properties (47 dwellings, 15 public buildings/churches and 9 stone survey markers), together with updating information on existing items and boundary changes to a conservation area.

At its meeting of the 17 August 2010, Council resolved to:

- list properties only where the owners consented to the heritage listing,
- update existing heritage listings, and
- make boundary changes to reduce the size of the Maxim Street Heritage Conservation Area.

In summary 6 dwellings, 2 public buildings and 9 stone markers were listed.

Council further resolved not to pursue the heritage listing of any property unless the land owner specifically applied for a heritage listing and that the properties that had been rejected from this process not be considered in any future heritage.

As a result, sites of known local heritage significance are currently not afforded any statutory protection and are eligible for demolition and/or redevelopment by Complying Development or merit assessment.

Since 2010, of the items identified in the study:

- 1 has been significantly damaged by fire and is beyond salvageable repair,
- 9 have been demolished or are subject to approval for demolition,
- Several have also been the subject of alterations, and
- 2 have been subject to Interim Heritage Orders and subsequent Planning Proposals resulting in amendments to RLEP2014 to list the items in Schedule 5 Environmental heritage.

#### Interim Heritage Orders (IHO)

An IHO is a temporary heritage protection measure which prohibits demolition of the item listed and requires approval for any development of that item for the life of the order. An IHO provides Council with the time to further assess the heritage significance of a potential item and take the appropriate steps to list the item if warranted.

In response to community concern regarding the loss of local heritage, two of the properties identified in the 2010 study, 87 Bowden Street Meadowbank and 330 Rowe Street Eastwood, have had IHOs imposed and in both cases the IHOs on the sites culminated in subsequent amendments to RLEP2014 and the listing of the two properties as items of local heritage significance *on Schedule 5 Environmental heritage*.

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Image 1: 87 Bowden St (taken 2016)



Image 2: 330 Rowe St (taken 2018)



When reviewing the action to be undertaken to protect and heritage list 330 Rowe Street Eastwood Council on the 28 November 2017 resolved in part the following:

*That Council, in order to ensure certainty in the development process, undertakes a City wide heritage study to ensure items of heritage significance are identified and options for their adequate protection recommended.*



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Since 2017, a further two IHOs have been imposed on the following properties in Ryde:

- 68 Denistone Road Denistone – on 25 September 2018 Council resolved to place an IHO over the property, prepare a PP to list the property as an item of local heritage significance within *Schedule 5 Environmental heritage* of RLEP 2014 and upon receipt of the Gateway Determination place the PP on community comment. An IHO was imposed on the property in September 2018. A detailed heritage assessment recommended that the property be listed. The PP for the site was exhibited from 29 May 2019 to 28 June 2019. As the PP has been exhibited, it has not been included in the city wide study and will be processed separately.

Image 3: 68 Denistone Road (image from realestate.com.au)



- 68 and 70 Chatham Road Denistone – on 26 February 2019 Council resolved to place an IHO on the property and prepare a PP to list multiple properties within Chatham Road, Denistone as a heritage conservation area of local heritage significance within *Schedule 5 Environmental heritage* of RLEP2014. GML Heritage Consultants assessment confirmed that the area warranted listing as a heritage conservation area. It has been included in the city wide review and it is proposed to be processed as part of this Planning Proposal.

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Image 4: 68-70 Chatham Road (2017 Google Street View)



### GML Heritage Consultants

In response to the Council resolution of the 28 November 2017 a *Request for Proposal* (RFP) for a heritage study was developed, which included the following:

- Identify pre-1940 buildings and places of heritage significance for possible inclusion as heritage items or heritage conservation areas in Council's planning controls. This is consistent with feedback from the community (via DA submissions, the Community Strategic Plan, and the Heritage Advisory Committee) relating to protection of heritage and local character generated by development applications.
- Review the Character Areas and Special Areas identified in the Ryde Development Control Plan (DCP) 2014 Part 3 Development Types and Part 5 Special Areas for consideration as potential Heritage Conservation Areas.
- Compliance with guidelines produced by the Heritage Council of NSW.
- Produce Heritage Inventory Database Sheets for all places agreed to by Council in accordance with the NSW Heritage Manual Guidelines, the State Heritage Inventory Database guidelines which are stylistically consistent with Ryde Council's existing Heritage Inventory Database listings.

The RFP was open to all appropriately interested persons and organisations.

Submissions were required to detail:

- the proposed approach and methodology;
- the experience and qualification of individuals proposed to undertake the project;
- examples of experience in similar projects in the last 5 years.



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Evaluation of the RFP submissions was carried out by a panel, based on the selection criteria identified in the RFP. GML Heritage Consultants were appointed in late 2018.

GML demonstrated significant industry experience and expertise in the fields of heritage planning, heritage conservation and archaeology and have advised NSW government agencies, Councils and private sector development professionals for over 20 years.

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The report provided by GML is informed by the principles contained in *The Burra Charter: the Australia ICOMOS Charter for Places of Cultural Significance, 2013* (the Burra Charter). The heritage significance assessments undertaken as part of the review draw upon the principles contained in the Burra Charter and adhere to the methodology provided within the NSW Heritage Office publication *Assessing Heritage Significance, 2001* and the detailed process set out in the *NSW Heritage Manual* published by the NSW Heritage Office.

The review was undertaken in three stages:

**Stage 1 – Identification of potential places of significance**

- Review background documents such as previous studies and potential listings identified by Council's planning staff.
- Broad review of the Ryde Local Government Area (LGA) for contextual environmental and historical understanding.
- Inspect potential properties from the public domain.
- Update the Ryde Heritage Advisory Committee on methodology and progress to date.
- Submit a shortlist of potential heritage items and conservation areas to Council planning staff for comment.

**Stage 2 – Assessments of Significance, Draft Inventory Sheets and Draft Review Report**

- Complete assessments against the NSW Heritage Office standard criteria including statements of significance and draft inventory sheets for the new heritage items and conservation areas.
- Draft the review report, including inventory sheets for each potential item for inclusion on the State Heritage Inventory Database.

**Stage 3 – Final Review Report**

- Finalise the report with comprehensive recommendations for additional items for inclusion on Schedule 5 of the RLEP2014.

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The final review report contains further details as to the shortlisted sites and the recommended listings. However, in order to protect significant items from threat while no protections are currently in place, the final report is circulated confidentially under separate cover. Proposed items will be published should a Gateway determination approve the exhibition of the Proposal noting that the Draft Proposal would ensure heritage is considered should Council receive a development application to one of the properties proposed for listing.

Ryde Local Planning Panel

The Proposal was reviewed by the Ryde Local Planning Panel at its meeting of 4 July 2019. The Panel has advised the following:

*The Panel recommends to Council that the planning proposal be submitted for Gateway Determination under Section 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.*

*The decision is unanimous.*

**REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

- 1. The Panel supports the process that has been undertaken by Council, including the heritage study carried out by GML Heritage Consultants and known as the "City of Ryde Heritage Review" dated June 2019, which from the reported history is needed.*
- 2. The Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979 requires the orderly development of land. The planning proposal will support that outcome by enabling a transparent process informed by expert advice and comprehensive community participation that will enable clear identification of heritage items, conservation areas and landscape & archaeological places in the Ryde Local Environmental Plan.*
- 3. The Planning Proposal is consistent with the applicable strategic planning framework and policies.*

*Note: The Panel encourages Council to consider a process for protecting the interiors of Heritage items.*

With respect to the Panel's advice relating to the protection of significant interiors, this could be addressed in the future should Council wish; it does not affect the merit of the current proposal. It is also noted that the listings proposed identify the entire lot, and applicants seeking to develop heritage items will be required to submit heritage impact assessments relating to the entire site, including the interiors.

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### Discussion

This report contains a description of the proposed amendments to RLEP2014 and an appraisal of the Proposal. This appraisal forms the basis of a recommendation to forward the Proposal to the Minister for Planning for a Gateway Determination and to undertake subsequent community consultation.

#### Ryde Heritage Assistance Fund

Council currently operates a *Local Heritage Assistance Fund*, whereby owners of Heritage Items listed in *Schedule 5 Environmental heritage* of RLEP2014 are able to apply for funding of up to \$5000 for works to conserve and enhance the significance of their properties. Applications are assessed against specified criteria and presented to the Heritage Advisory Committee for endorsement prior to approval. Currently, \$75,000 is allocated to fund this program over the next three years (\$25,000 per year, 2019/20-2021/22).

The program provides an incentive for owners of properties listed in *Schedule 5 Environmental heritage* of RLEP2014 to undertake maintenance and improvement works to protect and enhance items of heritage significance.

A one off increase of \$500,000 is proposed, with the additional funds to be subject to a maximum grant of \$15,000. The purpose of this increase is to ensure sufficient funds are available for owners of existing and newly listed items, should the Planning Proposal proceed. The proposed increases will encourage a range of works and are also anticipated to be manageable from an administrative perspective, noting it is anticipated the existing application process, including the referral of applications to the Heritage Advisory Committee, would continue. A further report detailing the process will be provided following exhibition, however, it is anticipated that only minor adjustments to the current process will be required.

Future funding for the program beyond the one-off increase proposed would be subject to future Delivery Plans.

#### Planning Proposal - Gateway Plan Making Process

The Gateway process has a number of steps as outlined below:

- 1. Planning proposal** – this is an explanation of the effect of and justification for the proposed plan to change the planning provisions of a site or area which is prepared by a proponent or the relevant planning authority such as Council. The relevant planning authority decides whether or not to proceed to the next stage to seek a Gateway Determination.
- 2. Gateway Determination** by the Minister for Planning or delegate if the planning proposal should proceed, and under what conditions it will proceed, including the community consultation process and any additional studies.



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3. **Community Consultation** – the proposal is publicly exhibited.
4. **Assessment** – the relevant planning authority considers public submissions. The relevant planning authority may decide to vary the proposal or not to proceed. Where proposals are to proceed, it is Parliamentary Counsel which prepares a draft local environmental plan – the legal instrument.
5. **Decision** – the making of the plan by the Minister (or delegate).

1.1 Current Planning Controls

RLEP 2014 - *Schedule 5 Environmental heritage* currently contains:

- 173 heritage items – a mix of private, council and state authority owned properties
- 5 heritage conservation areas comprising:
  - Brush Farm Park , Eastwood
  - Eastwood House Estate, Eastwood
  - Gladesville Shopping Centre
  - Maxim Street, West Ryde
  - Ryedale Road, West Ryde
- 2 archaeological sites located at Gladesville and Putney.

Development Control Plan (DCP) 2014 identifies a number of Special Areas including:

- Coronation Avenue and Trelawney Street Eastwood Character Areas
- Tyrell Street Gladesville Character Area and
- Denistone Character Area

The DCP is a guide and non-compliance with a provision of a DCP does not in and of itself prevent consent. Further, complying development may be carried out in character areas. By comparison, a conservation area identified in a Local Environmental Plan is afforded greater statutory weight allowing Council to require sympathetic design with respect to heritage and providing less flexibility for non-compliance.

1.2 Proposed amendments to RLEP2014

GML Heritage Pty Ltd (GML) was engaged by City of Ryde in 2018 to conduct a detailed heritage review of the City of Ryde Local Government Area. The study is limited to pre-1940 development.

GML were also requested to review the Character Areas and Special Areas identified in the Ryde DCP 2014 for consideration as potential Heritage Conservation Areas.

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The report recommends the listing in RLEP2014 - *Schedule 5 Environmental heritage* of:

- 44 heritage items
- 2 archaeological sites
- 6 heritage conservation areas

The report also recommends amendments to 8 currently listed items.

*Proposed heritage items*

The heritage items comprise:

- 35 built items - The majority of built heritage items are Federation, Victorian and interwar style dwellings. There are a number of churches, shopfronts and a school building
- 6 culturally significant landscape items - Landscape sites include foreshore parks and public landscapes where the course and pattern of the items history warrants listing.
- 3 street tree listings – 10 road verges are identified as containing significant street trees

The individual proposed heritage items are identified in *Section 4.0 Explanation of Provisions* on page 10 of the Proposal which is **ATTACHED UNDER SEPARATE COVER – CONFIDENTIAL**.

*Proposed Conservation Areas*

The 6 proposed Heritage Conservation Areas (HCA) and their physical characteristics are identified and on page 13 of the Proposal which is **ATTACHED UNDER SEPARATE COVER – CONFIDENTIAL**.

*Proposed archaeological sites*

The 2 proposed archaeological sites are:

- Glades Bay baths remnants located at Glades Bay Park and
- Former Squire's Brewery and Halverson's Boat Yard located at 20 Waterview Street Putney.

*Amendments to existing heritage items*

The proposed amendments to the description of 8 existing heritage items within *Schedule 5 Environmental heritage* of RLEP2014 are provided in Table 2 below:

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Table 2 – Proposed Amendments to currently listed items

<b>Item No.</b>	<b>Locality</b>	<b>Type of Amendment</b>	<b>Current Item Name</b>	<b>Amended Item name</b>
161, 162 and 163 – to be deleted  New item number 250	Eastwood	Delete existing 3 items and create a new item amalgamating the 3 previous descriptions	Eastwood Park (gates) Eastwood Park (grandstand) Eastwood Park (pavilion)	Eastwood Park (including sports fields , gates , grandstand, croquet club and grounds, mature Phoenix palms and other significant trees)
6	Gladesville	Amend item description	Glades Bay Park (monument)	Glades Bay Park (including monument), foreshore reserve between Ross Street and Bill Mitchell Park and remnants of former public baths.
112	Gladesville	Amend item description	Monash Park (obelisk)	Monash Park (including oval, pavilion, significant boundary/street trees and obelisk)
157	Gladesville	Amend item description	Kissing Point park (former boat slips)	Kissing Point Park (including former boat slips and Bennelong Park)
87	Putney	Amend item description	Putney Park (house remains)	Putney Park (former Putney Park Pleasure Grounds , including seawall , remains of Lunnhilda/Dudhope estate and remains of Slazenger factory)
72	Meadowbank	Amend item description	Memorial Park (obelisk)	Memorial Park (including obelisk) and remnants of former Meadowbank Baths

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The existing heritage items to be amended and the nature of the amendment are identified in Section 4.0 *Explanation of Provisions* on page 16 of the Proposal which is **ATTACHED UNDER SEPARATE COVER – CONFIDENTIAL**.

In summary, based on the *City of Ryde Heritage Review* prepared by GML, the Planning Proposal – Heritage Review (**ATTACHMENT 2 – CONFIDENTIAL – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**) seeks to make the following amendments to *Schedule 5 Environmental heritage* of Ryde Local Environmental Plan 2014:

- *Part 1 Heritage Items* - Add 44 new heritage items,
- *Part 2 Heritage conservation areas* – Add 6 new heritage conservation areas
- *Part 3 Archaeological sites* – Add 2 new archaeological sites
- Amend descriptions of 8 existing heritage items.

The Proposal also seeks to amend RLEP 2014 *Heritage Maps* to incorporate the additional heritage items, conservation areas and archaeological sites.

**1.3 Intended Outcomes and Justification**

The Proposal's intended outcome is to:

- Provide appropriate protection for built, landscape and archaeological heritage within the City of Ryde, through new heritage listings in *Schedule 5 Environmental heritage* of RLEP 2014 and to ensure current heritage listings are correctly identified, and
- To ensure greater certainty is provided for in the development assessment process.

The Proposal (an amending LEP) is the Council's only means of ensuring the protection of properties and places within the City of Ryde assessed as having heritage significance. While Council is able to place IHOs upon potentially significant sites, an IHO is a temporary measure; it is only via a Planning Proposal that Council is able to afford ongoing protection

The Proposal will ensure that the sites are recognised and protected from development that may adversely affect the significance of the sites and their contribution to the environmental heritage of the City of Ryde.

Documentation covering the justification and the need for the proposal is provided in *Part 5 – Justification* on page 17 of the Proposal which is **ATTACHED UNDER SEPARATE COVER – CONFIDENTIAL**.

**ITEM 6 (continued)****1.4 Appraisal of the Planning Proposal***Relationship to strategic planning framework*

The strategic planning context for the consideration of this Planning Proposal includes:

- A Greater Sydney Region Plan – A Metropolis of Three Cities, which states:

*Conserving, interpreting and celebrating Greater Sydney’s heritage values leads to a better understanding of history and respect for the experiences of diverse communities. Heritage identification, management and interpretation are required so that heritage places and stories can be experienced by current and future generations. Environmental heritage is protected for its social, aesthetic, economic, historic and environmental values (page 77).*

- The North District Plan, which states:

*Identifying, conserving, interpreting and celebrating Greater Sydney’s heritage values leads to a better understanding of history and respect for the experiences of diverse communities. Heritage identification, management and interpretation are required so that heritage places and stories can be experienced by current and future generations (page 49).*

- Local Planning Study (LPS) was the basis for the development of RLEP 2014, which states that an aim of the LEP is:

*to identify, conserve and promote Ryde’s natural and cultural heritage as the framework for its identity, prosperity, liveability and social development, (Ryde LEP 2014 Clause 1.2(d)).*

- The City of Ryde 2028 Community Strategic Plan which states:

- Ryde is a City of welcoming and vibrant neighborhoods...designed with a strong sense of identity and place (page 16),
- that the community wants to “protect and maintain Ryde’s character and heritage” (page 17) and
- Our community sees... history and heritage, public art and facilities for people to get together as important, adding to our city’s vibrancy (page 10).

It is considered that the Proposal, which aims to provide appropriate protection for built, landscape and archaeological heritage within the City of Ryde supports both the directions and objectives of the various Plans.

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Documentation covering the strategic framework is provided in *Part 5.2 –Relationship to strategic framework* on page 18 of the Proposal, which is **ATTACHED UNDER SEPARATE COVER – CONFIDENTIAL**.

*Ministerial Directions (s.117 directions)*

A summary assessment of the Proposal in terms of the Directions issued by the Minister for Planning under Section 117 of the *EP&A Act* is contained in the Table 6 of the planning proposal and can be found on page 23 of the Proposal, which is **ATTACHED UNDER SEPARATE COVER – CONFIDENTIAL**. The directions apply to draft local environmental plans and relate to areas such as employment and resources, environment and heritage, housing infrastructure and urban development, hazard and risk and regional planning.

The Proposal is consistent with the Ministerial Directions.

**Consultation – External**

Under the gateway plan-making process, a gateway determination is required before community consultation on the planning proposal takes place. The consultation process will be determined by the Minister and stipulated as part of the gateway determination.

The Department of Planning’s guidelines stipulate at least 28 days community consultation for a major plan, and at least 14 days for a low impact plan.

Given the level of public interest arising from the Proposal, the community consultation process is expected to be undertaken in the following manner for a 28 day period (**SEE ATTACHMENT 3 – Consultation Program**).

- o Written notice given:
  - in the local newspaper circulating in the area and selected multi-lingual publications;
  - on Council’s webpage;
  - to all affected property owners where a change in heritage status of a property is proposed i.e. proposed heritage items, archaeological items, properties within heritage conservation areas;
  - to all properties within the vicinity of a heritage item or conservation area as defined by Part 2.1 Notification of Development Applications as ‘extended adjoining land’;
  - to local State Government representatives;
  - to relevant State and Commonwealth authorities considered necessary by the Gateway Determination.

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- o The written notice will:
  - provide a brief description of the objectives and intended outcomes,
  - state where the Planning Proposal can be inspected,
  - indicate the last date for submissions, and
  - confirm whether the Minister has chosen to delegate the making of the LEP.
  - Proposed drop in sessions and information presentation times where relevant

For letters sent to property owners of proposed heritage items and within a heritage conservation area, a heritage inventory sheet relating to the property or area will be included.

- o Series of information/drop in sessions being no fewer than:
  - 6 drop in sessions (locations to include, Gladesville, West Ryde/Denistone, Eastwood, Top Ryde).
- o The following materials will be placed on exhibition in within each library, and Council's Customer Service Centre:
  - the Planning Proposal, and
  - the Gateway Determination.
  - Council resolution and reports
  - Attachments to the PP including GML City of Ryde Heritage Review report

Note that where applicable the Body Corporate of a strata group is notified not the individual owners of strata units with respect to all letters.

**Consultation – Internal**

Council's Local Studies Librarian was consulted to ensure relevant previously published material was available for the purposes of the review.

Dr Peter Mitchel, Honorary Associate Professor of Physical Geography at Macquarie University and Council's Heritage Advisory Committee were also consulted and provided input into the initial identification of potential items for review.

Council's Parks Department have been consulted regarding the proposed PP and raise no objections.

Additional consultation with the Parks Department will occur during the official exhibition period.

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A Councillor Workshop also is scheduled to ensure Councillors are briefed in detail with respect to the proposed items and the community consultation.

**Critical Dates**

Time periods for preparation of amending LEPs apply upon the issue of the Gateway Determinations by the Minister. There is usually a 6-12 month time period allowed. The timeline provided in the Proposal indicates that the notification of the changes on the government website should occur in late 2019/early 2020.

**Financial Impact**

An initial assessment of the 2018/19 financial year end result indicates an operating surplus sufficient enough to fund the \$500k one off funding requirement.

Implementation costs such as advertising and consultation expenses may be incurred during the establishment of the program.

These establishment costs will be funded from the existing budgets within the Urban Strategy operational budget.

**Policy Implications**

The Proposal is consistent with relevant State Government policy and the community's expectations of protection being given to built, landscape and archaeological heritage within the City of Ryde and greater certainty being provided for in the development process.

The Proposal is consistent with Council's Community Strategic Plan and Council's Draft Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS). Chapter 3.3 of the Draft LSPS is devoted to Heritage. This Planning Proposal progresses Actions HE1.1, HE1.2 and HE1.6 (see page 84):

*HE1.1 Undertake a city-wide study of potential places of heritage significance from early settlement to World War II*

*HE1.2 Undertake a city-wide study of potential landscape items and places with natural heritage significance*

*HE1.6 Owners of heritage-listed properties are supported through a range of financial assistance, incentives and heritage advisory services to promote and facilitate effective conservation outcomes.*



**ITEM 6 (continued)****Options**

Option 1: That Council supports submitting the planning proposal for a Gateway Determination and the allocation of additional funds to the Local Heritage Assistance Fund.

This is the recommended option. If a Gateway Determination is issued by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment permitting the exhibition of the Proposal it will allow the community to consider the planning proposal and its desired intent to protect heritage in Ryde and provide greater certainty to the development process.

Should the Minister for Planning determine that the planning proposal can proceed to community consultation Council has another opportunity to decide whether to proceed, vary or reject the proposal after community consultation.

The additional funds will ensure there is an incentive for existing and new owners of Local Heritage Items to maintain and improve their properties to protect and preserve their significance. Endorsing the allocation of funds now, will ensure the community can be advised of the associated increase during the exhibition of the Proposal.

Option 2: That Council supports submitting the planning proposal for a Gateway Determination but does not progress the allocation of additional funds to the Local Heritage Assistance Fund.

If a Gateway Determination is issued by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment permitting the exhibition of the Proposal it will allow the community to consider the planning proposal and its desired intent to protect heritage in Ryde and provide greater certainty to the development process.

Should the Minister for Planning determine that the planning proposal can proceed to community consultation Council has another opportunity to decide whether to proceed, vary or reject the proposal after community consultation.

However, not endorsing an increase in the *Local Heritage Assistance Fund* would lead to the dilution of the current incentive for owners to maintain and improve properties of heritage significance.

Option 3: That Council decides not to proceed with the planning proposal

This option would afford no protection to the identified heritage items and conservation areas and would enable demolition or substantial alteration to buildings and areas that have been identified as having local heritage significance.

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**ATTACHMENT 3**

Project Name:	Planning Proposal – Heritage Review
<b>Business Manager (BM):</b>	Dyalan Govender (Manager Urban Strategy)
<b>BM Representatives:</b>	Susan Wotton
<b>Community Engagement Representative:</b>	Claudia Micallef, Elise Clark, Nikki Fraser
<b>Project Description:</b>	Public exhibition of Planning Proposal - Heritage (4 categories of affected properties including 44 new individual heritage items, 2 archaeological sites , 6 new heritage conservation areas and numerous properties considered in the 'vicinity' of a heritage item or conservation area)
<b>Internal Stakeholders</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ryde Heritage Advisory Committee, City Strategy Assessment, Building and Development Advisory Services, Parks and Property</li> </ul>
<b>External Stakeholders:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Property owners of proposed heritage items, archaeological sites and within proposed conservation areas</li> <li>Properties 'in the vicinity' of heritage items and heritage conservation areas</li> <li>Government agencies as identified in the Gateway Determination</li> </ul>
<b>Timescale for consultation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>28 Days – minimum as outlined in Gateway Determination</li> </ul>
<b>Consultation Package to include</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Councillor Information Bulletin (CIB)</li> <li>Have Your Say Website</li> <li>Open Form Submission</li> <li>Letter with fact sheets and or FAQ's to affected property owners</li> <li>Fact Sheets/FAQ's</li> <li>Newspaper Advertisements               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Northern District Times</li> <li>The Weekly Times</li> <li>HanHo Daily</li> <li>The Korea Times</li> <li>Sing Tao</li> <li>The Epoch Times</li> <li>China Vision Times</li> </ul> </li> <li>6 x Drop-in Sessions</li> <li>1 Information/Presentation</li> </ul>

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Cost Code

Risk / Issue Log					
Date	Risk/Issue Description (Type)	Mitigating Action	Comments/Last Update	Owner	Date
08/04/2019	On exhibition at the same time as LSPS ( small possibility)	Prepare FAQ sheet for consultation and responses for communications and engagement		Business Manager	
	Owners of proposed Heritage Items will be concerned	Drop in sessions where people can speak one to one with a planner			
	Large number of affected properties in HCAs	Information flyers			

Item	Activity Date	Description	Stakeholders	Community Engagement (CE) Responsibilities	Project/Business Manager Responsibilities	Project/ Business Manager Due Dates	Cost
1.	1-2 weeks prior to Have Your Say start date	(Recommended) CIB Project Information & Calendar Invitation to drop-in sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Councillors</li> </ul>	Send invitation to Councillor calendar via Helpdesk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft and finalise CIB</li> </ul>	TBC	Nil
2.	1-2 weeks prior to Have Your Say start date	Fact Sheets and FAQs with timeline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Heritage</li> <li>Comms &amp; Eng</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create FAQs/timeline</li> <li>Organise translations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide questions, answers and timeline</li> </ul>	TBC	Nil*
3.		Have Your Say	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Website users</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create page</li> <li>Organise</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide content and</li> </ul>		Nil*

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Item	Activity Date	Description	Stakeholders	Community Engagement (CE) Responsibilities	Project/Business Manager Responsibilities	Project/Business Manager Due Dates	Cost
		Website		translations	images to CE		
4.		Open Form Submission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Website users</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create form</li> <li>Organise translations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review and approve feedback form</li> </ul>	TBC	Nil*
5.		Letter to relevant property owners and occupiers with FAQ/Brochure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Property owners and residents affected by heritage items and archaeological sites</li> <li>Conservation areas</li> <li>Properties considered 'within the vicinity'</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft brochure – same for all</li> <li>Organise Translations for a portion of the brochure</li> <li>Organise print &amp; distribution</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide content and images to CE</li> <li>Review brochure</li> </ul>	TBC	Quote TBC*
6.		Newspaper Advertisements in newspapers listed in consultation package	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Newspaper readers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book &amp; draft advertisement</li> <li>Organise Translations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review and approve advertisement</li> </ul>	TBC	\$500-1000 per newspaper*
7.	Dates TBC Weeknight 6-8pm	Drop in session  Eastwood	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All interested stakeholders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book venue</li> <li>Organise online workshop registration</li> <li>Have staff available on the day</li> <li>Assist with set up</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organise staff/heritage consultants</li> <li>Organise collateral</li> </ul>	TBC	Nil

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Item	Activity Date	Description	Stakeholders	Community Engagement (CE) Responsibilities	Project/Business Manager Responsibilities	Project/Business Manager Due Dates	Cost
8.	Dates TBC Weeknight 6-8pm	Drop in session Location 2 West Ryde/ Denistone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All interested stakeholders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book venue</li> <li>Organise online workshop registration</li> <li>Have staff available on the day</li> <li>Assist with set up</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organise staff/heritage consultants</li> <li>Organise collateral</li> </ul>	TBC	Nil
9.	Dates TBC Weeknight 6-8pm	Drop in session Location 3 Gladesville	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All interested stakeholders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book venue</li> <li>Organise online workshop registration</li> <li>Have staff available on the day</li> <li>Assist with set up</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organise staff/heritage consultants</li> <li>Organise collateral</li> </ul>	TBC	Nil
10.	Dates TBC Weeknight 6-8pm	Information/ Presentation Location 4 Top Ryde	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All interested stakeholders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book venue</li> <li>Organise online workshop registration</li> <li>Have staff available on the day</li> <li>Assist with set up</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organise staff/heritage consultants</li> <li>Organise collateral</li> </ul>	TBC	Nil
11.	Weekday Date and Time TBC	Drop in session Location TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All interested stakeholders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book venue</li> <li>Organise online workshop registration</li> <li>Have staff available on the</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organise staff/heritage consultants</li> <li>Organise collateral</li> </ul>	TBC	Nil

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**ATTACHMENT 3**

Communications & Engagement Plan:  
Heritage Planning Proposal

Item	Activity Date	Description	Stakeholders	Community Engagement (CE) Responsibilities	Project/Business Manager Responsibilities	Project/Business Manager Due Dates	Cost
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>day</li> <li>Assist with set up</li> </ul>			
12.	Weekday Date and Time TBC	Drop in session Location TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All interested stakeholders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have staff available on the day</li> <li>Assist with set-up</li> <li>Bring City of Ryde Flags</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organise staff</li> <li>Organise collateral</li> <li>Organise staff/heritage consultants</li> <li>Organise collateral</li> </ul>	TBC	Nil
13.	Weekday Date and Time TBC	Drop in session Location TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All interested stakeholders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have staff available on the day</li> <li>Assist with set-up</li> <li>Bring City of Ryde Flags</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organise staff</li> <li>Organise collateral</li> <li>Organise staff/heritage consultants</li> <li>Organise collateral</li> </ul>	TBC	Nil
14.	TBC	Engagement Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council/Community</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prepare report – City Strategy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review and approve report</li> </ul>		Nil

\*Indicates additional cost may occur for translations

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## 7 ADOPTION OF THE GANNAN AND McCAULEY PARK MASTERPLAN

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### REPORT SUMMARY

The Greater Sydney Commission's *North District Plan* (March 2018) indicates the North District of Metropolitan Sydney is expected to grow by 196,350 people in the next 20 years. This Plan provides important Directions, Planning Priorities and Actions relevant to the City of Ryde's (CoR), open space, sport and recreation. The Plan forecast population growth in the CoR of 43.1% or an additional 51,700 people from 2016 to 2036. To continue to be the '**Place to be for lifestyle and opportunity at your doorstep**', Council must plan for and provide the local infrastructure to meet the needs of tomorrow's community.

As is the case with many metropolitan Sydney Council's, there is an existing shortfall of sports grounds with sports field lighting as detailed in the City of Ryde's *Sport and Recreation Strategy 2016 – 2026* and the Northern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (NSROC) *Sports Ground Strategy* (2017). The CoR is strategically working to address the current and projected undersupply of sports grounds across the local government area. These City-wide strategies include masterplanning of identified parks to optimise use of the area, a sports field lighting expansion capital program and synthetic surface action plan.

Gannan Park and McCauley Park are located in Ryde and are a combined 5Ha in size. In addition to the passive and informal use made of the park, the site is currently used in summer for cricket and winter for baseball and for school sports. The Park includes a neighbourhood playground (upgraded in 2015), cricket nets, amenities building, car park and garden areas.

The Preparation of a Masterplan for Gannan Park (including McCauley Park) was prioritized within the *Sport and Recreation Strategy 2016 – 2026* (the Strategy). This Strategy guides Council on the development of sport and recreational infrastructure and policy. The Strategy's Action Plan includes multiple actions relating to reviewing the layout of Gannan Park and the potential to optimise the active recreation use of the site. This Park was identified as it provided an opportunity to upgrade the sporting infrastructure at the site to allow for rectangular fields and sportsfield lighting. It was considered optimising use of the space for active recreation would significantly increase the available hours of sportsfields to meet the current and projected demand. It was identified that it could be done in a timely manner and at a comparatively lower cost compared to the alternative options for increasing the supply of sportsfields of land acquisition or converting sites to a synthetic surface.

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Stage 1 community consultation was held between 15 November – 10 December 2017. This provided residents and users of the park with the opportunity to provide feedback on current issues within the site and how they would like to see the parks upgraded. Common themes through this phase of consultation were improved connections in and around the parks, retain the village common feel of the site, requests for outdoor fitness equipment, and that the masterplan should enhance the natural setting of the parks. These themes were used to generate a draft Masterplan for Stage 2 community consultation.

Stage 2 community consultation was held between 11 April – 25 May 2018. During this phase, a draft Masterplan was presented for community feedback, provided in **ATTACHMENT 3**. The main themes of this feedback related to further enhancement of the natural environment, and providing more passive and active recreation opportunities. Sports field lighting was not included in the Masterplan. This information was used to update the draft Masterplan.

A revised draft Masterplan was prepared including sports field lighting to address the undersupply of lit sportsgrounds in the City of Ryde. Further community consultation, Stage 3 was held between 25 March – 17 April 2019. During this stage, the revised draft Masterplan including sports field lighting was presented for community feedback, provided in **ATTACHMENT 2**. The main themes of this feedback related to sports field lighting/field upgrades; traffic and parking; general park upgrades, consultation and noise.

Following this consultation process, the recommended Final Masterplan has been amended to include 1 senior and 1 junior sized rectangular sports fields configuration (original proposal was for 2 senior fields) or 1 oval field. The number of light poles reduced from 6 poles to 4 poles. The sports field lighting will illuminate an area of approximately 1.5 senior rectangular sports fields. Fencing has also been identified to be included between the park and the private property boundary as has the inclusion of additional native garden beds. All other sporting elements of the Masterplan remain unchanged from that proposed for Stage 3 consultation. It is considered that these amendments to the Master Plan respond to the concerns raised by local residents, particularly around traffic, noise and access to the park for informal use by reducing the area to be used for active recreation. It still however provides a significant benefit to the wider community by providing a total of 45 hours per week of capacity for sporting group use.

The Masterplan recommended in this report is an effective solution for Council to increase sports field capacity and make a significant contribution towards addressing the existing shortfall of sports fields in the City of Ryde. Each field will be able to be booked for a maximum of 30 hours per week (total increase in capacity of 45 hours per week across the floodlit area) and will greatly assist to meet the current and future needs of multiple sports. The area to the north of the defined sports fields will continue to be available for general community use at all times. Sports fields will be available for unstructured use by the general community outside formal bookings.



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This report further recommends that Council prepare and lodge a Development Application (DA) for sports field lighting. Subject to the adoption of the Masterplan and determination of DA for sports field lighting, it is anticipated delivery will be staged over 20 years, however, the majority of the park upgrades are scheduled to take place during 2020-2023.

Should Council wish to maximize the future use of Gannan Park for active sporting activities, it has the option of adopting the Master Plan provided in **ATTACHMENT 2**. This is for the lighting of 2 senior fields with 6 poles. This would fully optimise the available space within Gannan Park for active sporting use, however not respond to the concerns raised by the local residents during the community consultation. Minor adjustments would be made to this Plan to incorporate some of the feedback received during Stage 3 consultation. These would be the inclusion of fencing between some residential properties and the sportsfield, and inclusion of additional native garden beds.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council adopts the Gannan Park and McCauley Park Masterplan with sports field lighting for an area equivalent to one and a half senior rectangular sports fields or one oval sports field.
- (b) That Council thanks the residents that participated in the masterplanning process and inform them of this resolution.
- (c) That Council prepares a Development Application for sports field lighting at Gannan Park and notifies the residents that participated in the masterplanning process when the Development Application is placed on public exhibition.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 Gannan & McCauley Park - Final Masterplan Report (July 2019)
- 2 Gannan & McCauley Park - Stage 3 Community Consultation Revised Draft Masterplan (March 2019)
- 3 Gannan & McCauley Park - Stage 2 Community Consultation Draft Masterplan (April 2018)
- 4 Gannan & McCauley Park - Stage 3 Community Consultation Report (June 2019)
- 5 Gannan & McCauley Park - Stage 2 Community Consultation Report (September 2018)
- 6 Gannan & McCauley Park - Stage 1 Community Consultation Report (March 2018)
- 7 Gannan & McCauley Park - Letters of Support

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### History of Gannan Park and McCauley Park (the Parks)

Gannan Park is a former quarry and brick pit that was originally operated by *Marsfield Brick Works* and later *North Sydney Brick and Tile Company* until the late 1970's. The quarry has since been filled and turned into a park that is currently used in winter by baseball and in summer by cricket.

This site currently includes a neighbourhood playground that was upgraded in 2015, picnic shelter, car park, cricket nets and amenities building (constructed 1981). The amenities building does not meet Council's functionality requirements, is poorly located within Gannan Park and will not meet the future requirements of user groups.

The site offers the potential for configuration for 2 rectangular sports fields (eg. football, touch football, Oztag and Ultimate Frisbee) or 1 oval sports field (eg. cricket and AFL). Council has been engaging with the baseball user groups to best accommodate their sport specific requirements via future masterplanning projects in other City of Ryde parks.



Image 1: Site Locations: Gannan Park and McCauley Parks



Image 2: McCauley Park (top) and Gannan Park (bottom)

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Image 3: 1975 aerial photograph of the Parks

Gannan Park community land classification is primarily “Sportsground” bordered by some “Parks” and “Natural Area” on the embankment. McCauley Park is primarily classified as “Parks” with some “Natural Area”.



Image 4: Community Land Categorisation – Gannan Park Primarily “Sportsgrounds”



Image 5: Community Land Categorisation – McCauley Park Primarily “Parks”



**ITEM 7 (continued)****Forecast Increase in Population = Need for Local Infrastructure**

The Greater Sydney Commission's *North District Plan* (March 2018), which includes the City of Ryde, is a 20 year strategic plan which informs local strategic planning and policies. The North District is expected to grow by 196,350 people in the next 20 years. The City of Ryde's population is forecast to grow by 43.1% or an additional 51,700 people from 2016 to 2036. The demand and shortfall of sportsgrounds in City will only increase with forecast population growth.

The *North District Plan* provides a number of Directions, Planning Priorities and Actions which are relevant to the City of Ryde and the Masterplan for Gannan Park and McCauley Park. Throughout the Plan, recognition is given to the importance of open space, sport and recreation:

*"As the District grows, providing for and developing innovative ways to optimise open space areas for recreation, sport and social activity, as well as establishing physical links that support social networks and create a sense of community, will become increasingly important."*

*"Councils already identify innovative solutions for the shortfall of active open space, including making better use of existing sportsgrounds, converting existing open space into sports fields, and partnering with schools to share spaces outside school hours."*

*"Future open space planning relies on collaboration and innovative re-use of shared spaces in response to the rising demand for active open space."*

**Supply and Demand for Sporting Fields**

Northern Sydney Region Organisation of Council's undertook a review of their *Regional Sportsground Strategy* in 2017. The purpose of the review was to update a 2011 *Sportsground Management Strategy*, with a focus on analysing future demand for the provision of sportsgrounds within the Region. The review quantified and confirmed the widening gap between demand and supply of sportsgrounds and found that the supply of sportsgrounds will need to increase by:

- 26% by 2026. This is equivalent to 62Ha or 7 soccer fields across the region.
- 40% by 2036. This is equivalent to 96Ha or 11 soccer fields across the region.

This undersupply of sportsgrounds can be alleviated by member Council's undertaking various actions such as expanding floodlit grounds, optimisation of land, additional feasible synthetic surfaces and gaining permanent access to school grounds. The creation of two soccer fields with sports field lighting at Gannan Park was identified in this list of actions. If Gannan Park was to have two soccer fields with sports field lighting, a shortfall of 15-20Ha in 2026 and between 50-60Ha in 2036 will still exist across the region.

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### Shortfall of Sportsgrounds and Sports Fields with Lighting

Analysis and modelling undertaken by the CoR indicates with forecast population growth the demand for sports fields is projected to increasing approximately 21 hours each year. As demonstrated in the graph below, each project that Council completes, be it either sports field lighting expansion, synthetic expansion or optimisation of fields, partly addresses the ever increasing demand curve due to population growth.

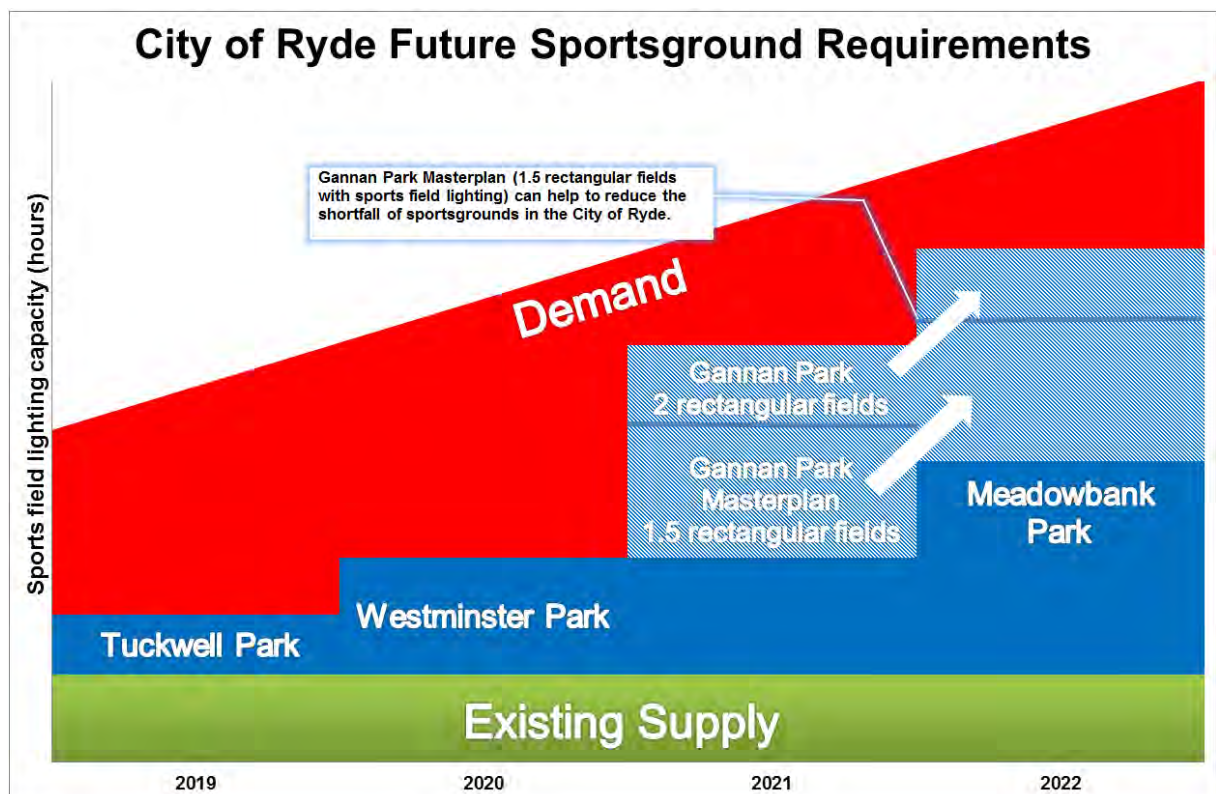


Image 6: Graph showing demand (red), existing supply (green) and Council strategies (blue) to meet demand for City of Ryde sports fields with lighting.

### Council's Strategic Approach to Addressing This Issue

Council adopted the City of Ryde's *Sport and Recreation Strategy 2016 – 2026* (the Strategy) in July 2017. The seven goals within the Strategy guides Council as it designs, plans and manages the future of sport and recreation within the City. The Gannan Park and McCauley Park Masterplan addresses the seven goals of the Strategy in the following ways:

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Strategy Goal	Gannan Park & McCauley Park Masterplan
1. To make the most of what we have	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Optimises the layout of Gannan Park by increasing the field area available for multiple sports.</li> <li>- Balances biodiversity and sustainability outcomes with the sporting and recreational outcomes.</li> </ul>
2. Equitable access for all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Provides an accessible and functional relocated amenities building suitable for all users of the Parks.</li> <li>- Addresses access, functionality, lifecycle and capacity limitations of the existing amenities building.</li> <li>- Includes walking and cycling opportunities by providing new footpath connections through and around the Parks.</li> </ul>
3. We understand and respond to the needs of our diverse community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Increases Council's sportsground capacity by increasing the number of fields available for hire.</li> <li>- Maximises the area available for sport ensuring the design can adapt to future uses.</li> </ul>
4. Our facilities are fit for purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The facilities proposed will support and encourage residents to lead an active lifestyle.</li> <li>- New amenities building will be designed for all members of our community and located appropriately within the Parks.</li> </ul>
5. We provide inclusive and accessible sport and recreation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Provides appropriate and functional facilities for all members of our community.</li> <li>- Increases facilities for passive recreation.</li> </ul>
6. Our community will be aware of our facilities and programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Increases areas for active recreation, allowing more programs to be run.</li> <li>- The community has been consulted and helped guide the preparation of the masterplan.</li> </ul>
7. Sustainable management of facilities and sport.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Supports the sustainable growth of sporting clubs by increasing the number of fields available for hirer in Ryde.</li> </ul>

The Strategy includes a number of high priority actions for Council in relation to Gannan Park. These include the preparation of a Masterplan for Gannan Park; investigation for two full sized football fields with sports field lighting; upgrade of ancillary facilities to accommodate new uses; and combining competition standard sports facilities with training capacity and flexible facilities to adapt to various sport needs.

The Strategy also recommended Council investigate the relocation of winter baseball from Gannan Park to ELS Hall Park Field 2. This would require soccer to be moved from ELS Hall Park Field 2. Council has investigated options. Ryde Panthers Football Club is unwilling to relocate from ELS Hall Park Field 2. Ongoing discussions have taken place with sporting user groups including Ryde Eastwood Baseball Club, Pacific Coast Baseball Club, North Ryde RSL Baseball, Ryde Panthers Football Club, Gladesville Ryde Magic Football Club and Gladesville Hornsby Football Association. Alternative solution investigated for Gladesville Ryde Magic to relocate from Magdala Park and baseball use to be consolidated at Magdala Park. Discussions with Gladesville Ryde Magic and baseball have been positive. Letters of support provided in **ATTACHMENT 7**.

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Other projects the City is strategically working through to address the undersupply of sportsgrounds across the LGA include:

- Optimisation via Masterplanning: Gannan Park (in progress as recommended in this report), ELS Hall Park (plan adopted May 2019), Meadowbank Park (in progress), Westminster Park (in progress), Magdala Park (future), Santa Rosa Park (future).
- Sports field Lighting Expansion Program: Gannan Park (in progress as recommended in this report), Morrison Bay Park – Fields 4 (completed), Waterloo Park (completed), Meadowbank Park – Field 10 (completed), Marsfield Park (completed), Tuckwell Park (in progress), Meadowbank Park (future), Smalls Road (future).
- Synthetic Surface Action Plan: ELS Hall Park (completed), Christie Park (completed), Westminster Park (in progress for 2020/21) and Meadowbank Park (planned for 2022/23).

### **Gannan Park, including McCauley Park Masterplan Development Community Consultation**

Communications consultant, *Flagship Communications*, was engaged in October 2017 to prepare a Community Engagement Plan and conduct Stage 1 and Stage 2 community consultations for the Masterplan.

Stage 1 community consultation was held in 15 November – 10 December 2017. The purpose of the first stage of consultation was to allow residents and users of the park an opportunity to provide their feedback on the existing design of the parks and what their thoughts are for the future of the site. This consultation was promoted via flyer, letterbox drop (250m radius of parks), park signage, local newspaper advertisement, stakeholder eNewsletter (89 emails distributed), Facebook (reach of 2,643) and Have Your Say webpage (195 page views). The consultation included two onsite drop in sessions (approximately 50 residents, 21 intercept surveys, 71 online surveys completed and 5 user groups were interviewed).



Images 7 & 8: Stage 1 Community Consultation drop in sessions.



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The Stage 1 community consultation report is provided in **ATTACHMENT 6**. The feedback received during this first stage helped to inform the preparation of a draft Masterplan.

<b>Masterplan Element</b>	<b>Stage 1 Community Consultation Recommendation</b>	<b>Council Response</b>
Getting to the site	Investigate improvements to pedestrian walkways to the site	Included in draft Masterplan
Thoughts on the site	Retain the village commons profile of the site.	Included in draft Masterplan
Impact on residents	Sustain existing levels of use of intensity at the site.	Noted for Council's consideration for future management.
	Maintain the trees around the perimeter of the site.	Included in draft Masterplan
Sports Activities	Consider continuing baseball and cricket at the site.	Cricket retained. Alternative options investigated for baseball.
	Any inclusion of additional sports at the site should be low-key and low-impact.	Noted for Council's consideration for future management.
Facilities	Increase the amount of seating and shading around the site.	Included in draft Masterplan
	Install BBQ and drinking fountain facilities.	Included in draft Masterplan
	Consider installing exercise stations around the site.	Included in draft Masterplan
	Consider increasing the number of cricket nets.	Included in revised draft Masterplan
Playground	Consider expanding the playground to include a larger amount of equipment.	Included in draft Masterplan
	Incorporate play equipment into the natural setting of the park (ie. A slide aligned with the park slopes).	Included in draft Masterplan
Dogs	Install doggy bins and bags around the site.	Recommended for inclusion in detailed design.
	Consider fencing some areas to segregate dogs from children and/or players.	Not included in draft Masterplan. Current arrangements for dogs in the Parks to remain. Existing off leash area at North Ryde Common (approx. 350m away).
Night Activities	Do not increase night activities at the site.	Noted for Council's consideration for future management.
	Consider alternate locations for night games.	Noted for Council's consideration for future management.
	Continue to lock the car park gates in the evenings.	Existing Council arrangement to continue.
Site Maintenance	Consider upgrading the irrigation system if the playing field intensity is to be increased.	Noted for Council's consideration during detailed design.
	Develop a regular maintenance program for the trees across the site.	Noted for Council's consideration for future management.

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Masterplan Element	Stage 1 Community Consultation Recommendation	Council Response
Natural Environment	Undertake bush regeneration throughout the parks including the upper embankment area.	Included in draft Masterplan
	Encourage habitat for local fauna.	Included in draft Masterplan
	Improve profile of local waterways and consider reinstating open drainage channels.	Rain garden and drainage swales included in draft Masterplan.

Stage 2 community consultation was held in 11 April - 25 May 2018. This stage of consultation allowed the community to review the draft Masterplan and provide feedback. This consultation was promoted via flyer, letterbox drop (250m radius of parks), park signage, local newspaper advertisement, stakeholder eNewsletter (136 emails distributed), Facebook (reach of 5,506) and Have Your Say webpage (484 page views). This consultation included two onsite drop in sessions with 50 residents attending and 137 comments provided, 10 intercept surveys, 66 online surveys and 8 submissions from user groups.



Image 9: Draft Masterplan present to community during Stage 2 Community Consultation, provided in **ATTACHMENT 3**

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Images 10 & 11: Stage 2 Community Consultation drop in sessions.

The Stage 2 community consultation report is provided in **ATTACHMENT 5**. The Masterplan was revised following this consultation and is provided in **ATTACHMENT 2**. It responds to the feedback received in the following ways:

Masterplan Element	Stage 2 Community Consultation Recommendation	Council Response
Embankment	Retain existing embankment and grass trails with minimal changes.	Included in revised draft Masterplan
	Expand bush regeneration area from McCauley Park along the embankment.	Included in revised draft Masterplan
	Plant shrubs, ground covers and trees on the slopes of the embankment with consideration to be given to adjacent landowners.	Included in revised draft Masterplan
Landscaping	Expand and enhance garden beds in parks.	Included in revised draft Masterplan
	Expand garden beds along Buna Street frontage giving consideration to good passive surveillance from the road with the provision of shade trees for park users.	Included in revised draft Masterplan
Picnic facilities, seating and shade	Include picnic facilities, seating and shade on site.	Included in revised draft Masterplan
	Ensure picnic facilities and seating is located an adequate distance from residential boundaries to reduce noise impacts on adjacent land owners.	Included in revised draft Masterplan
	Install water stations with dog bowls.	Recommended for inclusion in detailed design.

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<b>Masterplan Element</b>	<b>Stage 2 Community Consultation Recommendation</b>	<b>Council Response</b>
Site access and paths	Install new park entrance signage.	Recommended for inclusion in detailed design.
	Improve pedestrian access and signage to site.	Included in revised draft Masterplan
	Improve pedestrian access around the site and consider design of path edging to reduce trip hazards to players on the oval.	Included in revised draft Masterplan and recommended for detailed design.
	Investigate options to optimize and consider expanding existing car park to reduce impacts on adjacent land owners	Included in revised draft Masterplan
Amenities building	Undertake a cost/benefit analysis for relocating the existing amenities block.	No change to the Masterplan. Existing amenities building is poorly situated on site and does not currently comply with Council's accessibility and service requirements
	Consider installing energy and water efficient upgrades.	Recommended for inclusion in detailed design.
	New or updated amenities block to be inclusive and provide access for all abilities.	Recommended for inclusion in detailed design.
Sustainability and Environment	Utilise energy and water efficiency solutions.	Recommended for inclusion in detailed design.
	Use plants for native habitat onsite and enhancing the existing garden beds.	Included in revised draft Masterplan
	Enhance the embankment by removing weeds and replanting with grasses, shrubs and trees.	Included in revised draft Masterplan
	Investigate water sensitive urban design solutions for car park run off.	Included in revised draft Masterplan
	Investigate potential for storm water harvesting for irrigation.	Noted for Council's consideration for future management.
Lighting	Should floodlighting be proposed for Gannan Park, Council will need to undertake further community consultation and follow a Development Application process.	Included in revised draft Masterplan. Further community consultation undertaken (Stage 3). DA required for sports field lighting if Masterplan is adopted by Council.



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Masterplan Element	Stage 2 Community Consultation Recommendation	Council Response
Sportsgrounds and Sporting activities	Retain sportsground as grass open space for use by the community for multiple sports.	Included in revised draft Masterplan
	Keep the village common feel of the site.	Included in revised draft Masterplan
	Include and expand the cricket nets.	Included in revised draft Masterplan
	Improve sports field drainage and irrigation.	Recommended for inclusion in detailed design.

Council prepared a revised draft Masterplan including sports field lighting for a multi-programmable sportsground (2 rectangular fields/1 oval field). The City of Ryde's Community Engagement team prepared a Community Engagement Plan and conducted Stage 3 community consultation.

Stage 3 community consultation was held in 25 March – 17 April 2019. During this stage, the revised draft Masterplan including sports field lighting was presented for community feedback. This consultation was promoted via flyer, letterbox drop (250m radius of parks), door knock of properties immediately adjacent to the Parks, park signage, local newspaper advertisement, stakeholder eNewsletter (138 emails distributed), other Council eNewsletters (5,551 emails distributed) and Have Your Say webpage (565 page views). This consultation included two onsite drop in sessions (approximately 65 residents and 186 comments), one resident workshop (59 properties invited, 17 properties attended by 23 residents providing 249 comments), online comments via Social Pinpoint (170 residents/stakeholders and 236 comments), online surveys (149 responses and 75 comments), written submissions from residents (29 respondents) and written submissions from community organisations (10 submissions).



*Images 12 & 13: Stage 3 Community Consultation drop in session and resident workshop.*

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Image 14: Revised draft Masterplan present to community in Stage 3 Community Consultation, provided in **ATTACHMENT 2**

Thirteen organisations, sporting clubs and/or associations have provided submission on behalf of their community including:

- NSW Health Northern Sydney Local Health District (914,298 people in 2016),
- Football NSW (over 600,000 members in NSW),
- Gladesville Hornsby Football Association (13,928 members),
- North West Sydney Women’s Football Association (3,048 members),
- Gladesville Magic Football Club (240 members),
- North Ryde Soccer Club (623 members),
- Ryde Saints United Football Club (600 members),
- Ryde Eastwood Baseball Club/Pacific Coast Baseball Club (over 822 members),
- North Ryde RSL Baseball Club (260 members),
- Ryde Eastwood Hawks Touch Football Association (750 members),
- Inner West Harbour Cricket Association (2,000 members),
- West Ryde Cricket Club (145 members), and
- Ryde Hunters Hill Cricket Club (900 members).

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The submissions, provided in **ATTACHMENT 7**, detail some of the broad ranging community benefits this Masterplan provides in terms of health, active recreation, local sporting participation and the significant contribution this projects makes towards addressing the current and future undersupply of sportsgrounds in the City of Ryde.

The Stage 3 community consultation report is provided in **ATTACHMENT 4**. The Final Masterplan, put to Council for endorsement, is provided in **ATTACHMENT 1**. It responds to the community's feedback in the following ways:

<b>Masterplan Element</b>	<b>Stage 3 Community Consultation Recommendation</b>	<b>Council Response</b>
Amenities building	When considering the location of the amenities building in the final Masterplan, its placement should weigh up the cost and effort of its movement versus the community benefit and Council's accessibility requirements.	No change to the Masterplan. Existing amenities building is poorly situated onsite and does not currently comply with Council's accessibility requirements or the needs of the sporting user groups. New amenities building will provide suitable level of facility, better accessibility, inclusion, greater connection, enhanced usability for users and facilitate expansion of car park as required.
Ball sports	Consideration should be given to some form of a barrier from ball sports in the final Masterplan that has a low visual impact.	Fencing incorporated behind the goals near adjacent properties in Minga St to address concerns about balls sports. During detailed design Council to liaise with residents concerned in relation to whether fencing is required.
General Park upgrades	Support received for scooter track, trails, picnic facilities, cricket nets, fitness equipment and playground.	No change to Final Masterplan.
	Drainage to be considered when finalising placement of fitness equipment and pathways.	No change to Final Masterplan. Placement of fitness equipment and path configuration through McCauley Park to be determined during detailed design.

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<b>Masterplan Element</b>	<b>Stage 3 Community Consultation Recommendation</b>	<b>Council Response</b>
Environmental Considerations	Support received for new and enhanced garden beds, natural area improvements on embankment and bush regeneration area in McCauley Park	No change to Final Masterplan.
	More dense under and mid-storey native plants for habitat corridor, shade and screening for adjacent properties	Included in Final Masterplan and recommended for detailed design.
	Some adjacent residents requested no planting or low shrubs behind their properties.	During detailed design, Council to liaise with residents concerned in relation to planting plan and species list for garden beds.
Inclusion	Investigate opportunities for inclusive design elements for people with mobility needs such as playground, amenities building, fitness equipment, access and communal spaces.	No change to Final Masterplan. Inclusive design will be incorporated for people with mobility needs during detailed design.
Light spill	Lighting spill levels, proximity of light poles to residential properties and potential health impacts were a concern for some adjoining properties.	Lighting pole locations adjusted in Masterplan, subject to detailed lighting design to Australian Standards. DA for sports field lighting compliant to Australian Standards including lighting report to be prepared following adoption of Masterplan.
Lighting and field upgrades to meet demand	Access to night-time facilities in the local area is an important consideration for the community. The need for additional sports fields with lighting is required to meet growing demand in local area for training and competition venues by local sports clubs.	Sports field lighting and sports field upgrades retained in response to support from general community.
	Comments received from respondents living near Gannan Park were not in favour of lighting and increased park use associated with the upgrades.	DA for sports field lighting will include a lighting report to Australian Standards and further community consultation. To be prepared following adoption of Masterplan.



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<b>Masterplan Element</b>	<b>Stage 3 Community Consultation Recommendation</b>	<b>Council Response</b>
Noise	Comments received from respondents living near Gannan Park indicated noise levels as a result of general sports field use was a concern	Noise levels to be assessed via acoustics report which will be included in the DA for sports field lighting. Noise Management Plan to be included in the DA.
Space and availability	Some concerns expressed, particularly from respondents living near Gannan Park, that casual/informal use would not be possible with two sports fields.	<p>Final Masterplan amended.</p> <p>Sports fields reduced to 1.5 rectangular fields/1 oval field in the design. Offset between rectangular fields and cricket wicket removed to place fields closer together.</p> <p>Area to the north of the defined sports fields incorporated to permit unstructured sport, recreation and passive use by the community under existing Council policy. Fields can only be used for a maximum of 30 hours per week for structured sport and will be available for general community outside these times.</p> <p>Reduced area to be lit to ensure an area of the park remains available for informal use 100% of the time to address resident concerns the park would be 'overtaken' by sporting use.</p>
Traffic and parking	Comments received from respondents living near Gannan Park indicated traffic and parking was a concern, especially during change over between games.	No change to Final Masterplan.
	Some respondents saw the need for the increased parking on site.	<p>Optimisation and potential expansion of car park retained in Final Masterplan.</p> <p>Sports fields positioned closer to car park to encourage users to park onsite and reduce the likelihood of parking in local surrounding streets.</p> <p>Onsite parking requirements, local traffic management strategies and traffic flows to be assessed via traffic report to be included in the Development Application for sports field lighting.</p>
	Retain the existing car park boom gate.	Included in Final Masterplan.
	Lighting in car park.	Recommended for inclusion in detailed design.

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<b>Masterplan Element</b>	<b>Stage 3 Community Consultation Recommendation</b>	<b>Council Response</b>
Other	Other concerns from respondents living near Gannan Park included potential disruption to residents lifestyle, peace and quiet, anti-social behavior, impact on sleep, drainage issues, devaluation of homes, loss of privacy, safety and security and a desire for the park to remain unchanged.	Noted for Council's consideration for future onsite management.
Consultation process	Feedback provided in relation to the consultation process for Masterplan and inclusion of sports field lighting.	Feedback noted by Council and taken into consideration for future projects.

**Final Masterplan**

The Final Masterplan, provided in **ATTACHMENT 1**, and recommended in this report, is for sports field configuration for 1 senior and 1 junior rectangular fields/1 oval field with sports field lighting. The sportsgrounds within the Masterplan has been prepared as a multi-programmable space to meet the current and future needs of multiple sports. Within this area 1.5 rectangular sports fields will be accommodated which could be used by sports including but not limited to football, touch football, oztag and ultimate frisbee or 1 oval sports field which could be used by sports including but not limited to cricket and AFL.

Summer - cricket



Potential soccer layout



Area to be illuminated



*Image 15: Final Masterplan – Configuration for 1.5 rectangular sports fields/1 oval field present to Council for adoption.*

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The main points of difference between the Final Masterplan and the revised draft Masterplan presented during Stage 3 community consultation is the reduction in sports field size to 1.5 rectangular fields, conceptual reduction of the quantity of light poles (4 poles from 6 poles) and repositioning of light pole locations (subject to detailed lighting design). This amendment has been made in response to the feedback received from local residents during the Stage 3 consultation for the project and still provides a benefit to the wider community by providing significant capacity for active recreation space.



Image 16: Final Masterplan – Design present to Council for adoption, provided in **ATTACHMENT 1**.

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### Sports Field Use

The City of Ryde sportsgrounds operate to a maximum capacity of 30 hours of grass field use per week. This includes all club training sessions, competition games, school bookings, events and carnivals. Through Council's Sportsground Allocation policy and Wet Weather policy, Council strives to achieve operational sustainability of all sports fields in the local government area. Outside of these formal booked hours, the sports fields will still be available for general community use. The final Masterplan also includes an area for unstructured sport, recreation and passive use by the community.

### Sports Field Lighting

Council has obtained two initial sports field lighting concept designs for LED light fittings and metal halide light fittings. The initial lighting concept indicated a 6 pole LED lighting configuration can achieve 100 lux of sports field illumination with vertical spill levels of less than half the Australian Standard. Noting the Australian Standards permits spill levels of up to 10 lux along residential boundaries.

By using LED fittings, the lighting concept demonstrates that the Australian Standards for lux levels (AS2560) and for spill levels (AS4282) can be achieved at Gannan Park.

The benefits of LED light fittings over metal halide include:

- Less light poles required.
- Significantly lower light spill levels.
- More controlled light distribution across sports field.
- Minimises glare.
- Longer lamp life.
- Lower maintenance.
- Energy saving and lower running costs.

A detailed lighting design will be obtained following the Masterplan adoption and will form part of the DA.

The proposed sports field lighting in Gannan Park will required Council to prepare and submit a DA. This report provides recommendation for adoption of the Masterplan and for Council to lodge the DA for sports field lighting. This will include obtaining an independent *Statement of Environmental Effects* report which will review and provide site specific recommendations relating to matters such as lighting, traffic and acoustics. Council will also need to demonstrate appropriate response, management strategies and mitigation measures to address the recommendations contained within the *Statement of Environmental Effects*. The community will be provided with the opportunity to provide further feedback during the DA process.

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### Onsite Car Parking

Gannan Park currently has an asphalt car park with 68 spaces. The Masterplan can achieve additional parking via reconfiguration of the existing car park. In addition, the Masterplan has identified extra space for car park expansion should it be required. This will be informed by the traffic study to be obtained as a component of the DA.

Car park capacities benchmarked against other similar parks:

Park	Sports fields onsite	Car park capacity
Gannan Park (Masterplan)	1.5 rectangular fields/1 oval field with sports field lighting	68 spaces (current) with scope to increase
Marsfield Park	2 rectangular fields/1 oval field with sports field lighting	53 spaces
Magdala Park	1.5 rectangular fields/4 baseball diamonds with sports field lighting	67 spaces

### Environment and Stormwater Considerations

Through the improvement and expansion of the bush regeneration areas and garden areas in Gannan Park and McCauley Park, the Masterplan supports the intent of the Ryde *Biodiversity Plan* (adopted 2016). The new areas of bush regeneration, tree planting and garden areas will assist in the creation of a vegetated canopy link to North Ryde Common in the Buffalo Creek catchment.

The Masterplan also includes an investigation into the potential for the path network to address overland flow and stormwater harvesting. The potential for this infrastructure will be reviewed through the detailed design process.

### Project Implementation and Financial Implications

Funding for the implementation for the majority of the Masterplan has been identified in the 2019 - 2023 Delivery Plan. The projects currently funded are:

- Amenities building,
- Sportsfield lighting,
- Primary pathway works,
- Fitness equipment,
- Passive infrastructure such as shelters and seating,
- Biodiversity improvements such as plantings,
- Expansion to the playground, and
- Cricket nets and sports field surface improvements.

The unfunded components of the Masterplan will be subject to future business planning processes. These include:

- Expansion to the carpark if required by the DA,
- Secondary pathway works, and
- Other minor improvements such as additional seating and garden enhancements.

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### Option

Should Council wish to maximise the future use of Gannan Park for active sporting activities, it has the option of adopting the Masterplan provided in **ATTACHMENT 2**. This is for the lighting of 2 senior fields with 6 poles. Minor adjustments would be made to this Plan to incorporate some of the feedback received during Stage 3 consultation. These would be the inclusion of fencing between some residential properties and the sportsfield, and inclusion of native garden beds.

If this is the preferred option of Council part (a) of the report recommendation should be amended to read:-

- (a) That Council adopts the Gannan Park and McCauley Park Masterplan with sports field lighting for an area equivalent to two senior rectangular sports fields or one oval sports field.

### Conclusion

The Masterplan recommended in this report is an effective solution for Council to increase sports field capacity and make a significant contribution towards addressing the existing shortfall of sports fields in the City of Ryde. Each field will be able to be booked for a maximum of 30 hours per week (total increase in capacity of 45hours per week across the floodlit area) and will greatly assist to meet the current and future needs of multiple sports. The area to the north of the defined sports fields will continue to be available for general community use at all times. Sports fields will be available for unstructured use by the general community outside formal bookings by community groups.

It has responded to the concerns raised during the consultation process by the residents surrounding the park. This has been done by reducing the area to be utilized for organized sport to 1 senior rectangular field and 1 junior field. This will reduce the amount of parking and traffic associated with the future use of the sports fields and ensure that are area of the park continues to be available for unstructured use at all times. The proposed area to be lit has also been reduced with a subsequent reduction in the number of light poles required from 6 to 4.

There is a forecast increase of 43.1% in the City of Ryde Population from 2016 to 2036, or an additional 51,700 people moving into the area. To continue to be the 'Place to be for lifestyle and opportunity at your doorstep', Council must plan for and provide the local infrastructure to meet the needs of tomorrow's community.



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## Gannan & McCauley Parks

### MASTERPLAN REPORT

*For Council Adoption - July 2019*

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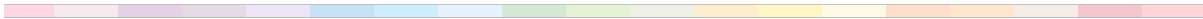


BACKGROUND

Gannan and McCauley Parks are located in Ryde, and are 4.51 hectares in combined size. The site is a former quarry, with steep embankments on two sides and residential properties on all boundaries. The playing field is currently used for cricket in summer and baseball in winter.

A masterplan is required to ensure Gannan Park and McCauley Park meet the growing needs of the community and sporting groups for the next 20 years.

CURRENT FEATURES





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### TALKING TO THE COMMUNITY

Community consultation has taken place to find out what people like about the parks, what they don't like, and what they think could be improved.

Flagship Communications undertook consultation in late 2017 and May 2018. During the first round of consultation, Council listened to the community and during the second round, a draft masterplan was presented for feedback. People gave their feedback via online surveys, interviews and drop-in sessions.

The City of Ryde undertook a third round of consultation in March- April 2019. A revised draft masterplan including sports field lighting was presented for feedback. People gave their feedback via online survey, drop-in sessions, resident workshop and written submissions.

<p><b>Getting to the site</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improves pedestrian connections to the site</li> <li>Incorporates new park entrance signage</li> </ul>	<p><b>Thoughts on site</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retains the village commons profile of the site</li> <li>Expands garden beds to enhance the amenity of the site</li> </ul>	<p><b>Local Surrounding Area</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Optimises and potentially expands car park for park users to minimise on-street parking</li> <li>Maintains and enhances the biodiversity of the Parks</li> <li>Relocates seating away from residents, where possible</li> </ul>
<p><b>Sport and Active Use</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides a multiprogrammable grass open space balancing sport and community use</li> <li>Supports the current and future users of the parks</li> </ul>	<p><b>Natural environment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Incorporates bush regeneration throughout McCauley Park and the embankment</li> <li>Increases habitat for local fauna</li> <li>Identifies stormwater harvesting for irrigation</li> <li>Utilises WSUD to treat the run off from the car park</li> <li>New bins to address littering</li> </ul>	<p><b>Facilities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increases the amount of seating and shading around the site</li> <li>Provides new picnic and drinking fountain facilities</li> <li>Includes two outdoor fitness nodes</li> <li>Encloses and increases the number of cricket nets to 3</li> <li>Relocates the amenities building to better service users</li> </ul>
<p><b>Night activities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sports field lighting has been included. Council is required to lodge a Development Application including traffic, acoustics and lighting report</li> </ul>	<p><b>Maintenance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plants out the embankment slopes with new trees, shrubs and groundcovers</li> <li>Develops a regular maintenance program for the trees across the site</li> </ul>	<p><b>Dogs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Doggy bins and bags to be installed</li> <li>Maintains the parks as on leash</li> </ul>
<p><b>Playground</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expands the playground to include a new combination unit with slide.</li> <li>Integrates play experiences into the natural setting of the parks</li> </ul>		

### SPORT AND RECREATION STRATEGY

The City of Ryde Sport and Recreation Strategy 2016-2026 that has been adopted by Council recommended the following actions for Gannan Park:

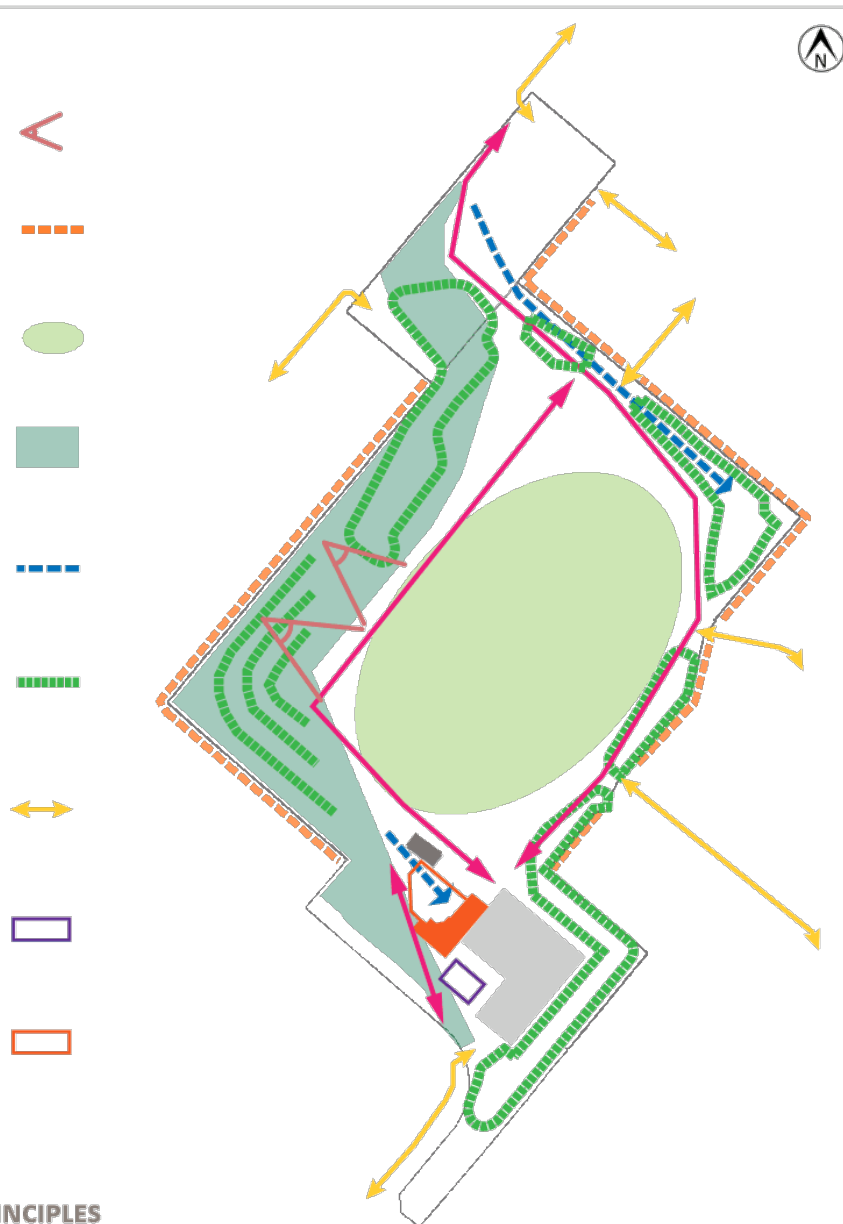
- Investigate to convert Gannan Park into two full sized football pitches with sportsfield lighting.
- Upgrade ancillary facilities at Gannan Park to accommodate the new uses.
- Review the design and location of sports amenity buildings to ensure appropriate physical access.

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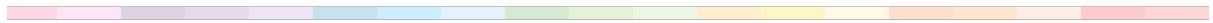
SITE ANALYSIS

- Views to the city**  
Opportunity to frame view corridors with tree planting
- Residential frontage**  
Provides good passive surveillance
- Village green**  
Large open grass area creates opportunity for perimeter path/scooter track
- Steep embankment**  
Opportunity to provide formal and informal pathways and seating areas
- Overland flow**  
Can be redirected to ecological system that provides improved natural amenity
- Bushland planting**  
Opportunity for increased planting to embankment and areas along boundary
- Multiple entry points**  
Connect entry points to path network to create good permeability
- Amenities building**  
Opportunity to relocate to provide better access and connection to the park
- Playground**  
Opportunity to expand to provide more variety and connection to park



KEY DESIGN PRINCIPLES

- Design flexible open spaces that can adapt to meet changing needs
- Integrate passive recreation opportunities throughout the park
- Keep the local village green feel
- Provide a focal gathering area
- Enhance the environmental qualities



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1.5 RECTANGULAR SPORTS FIELDS / 1 OVAL SPORTS FIELD

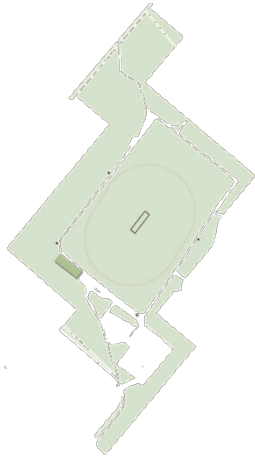


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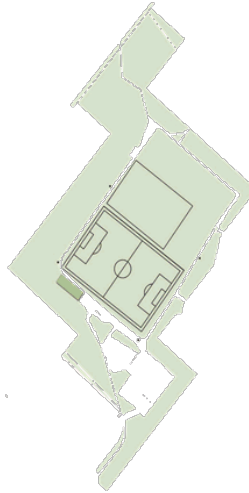
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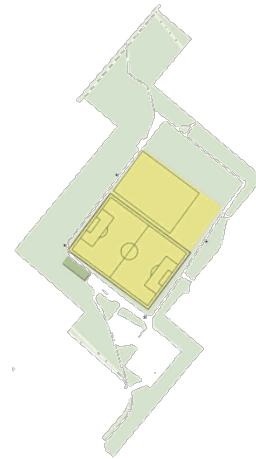
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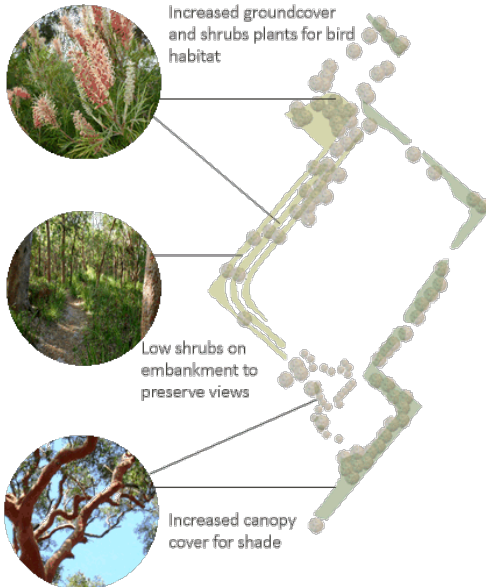
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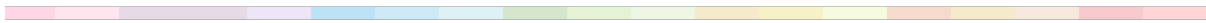
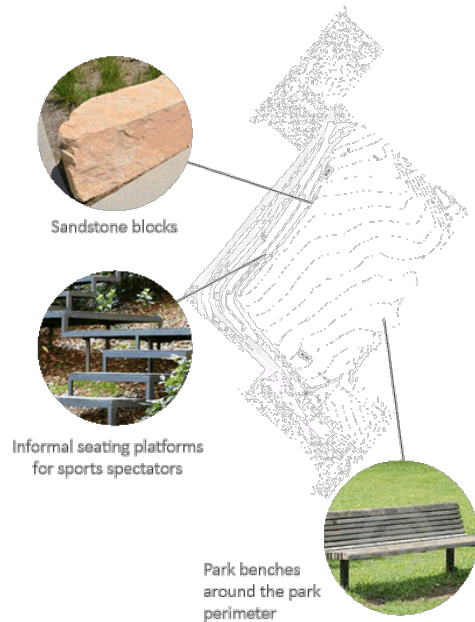
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**VEGETATION**



**SEATING**





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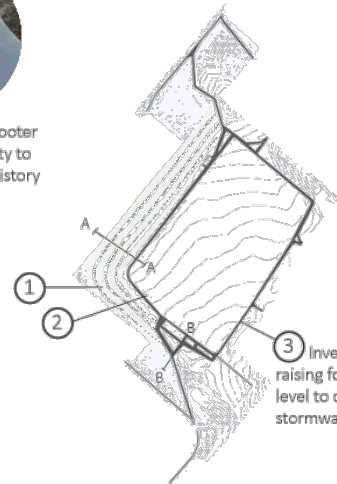
**PATHS**



① Grass trails to explore the natural area

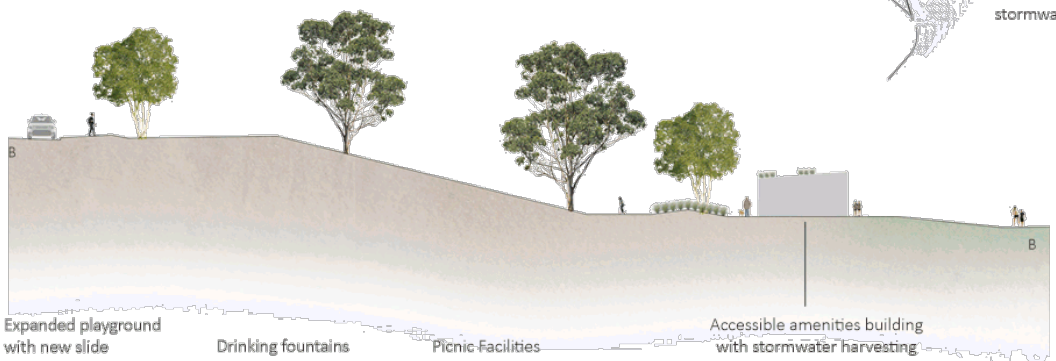


② All weather scooter track. Materiality to reference the history of the site.



③ Investigate raising footpath level to detain stormwater

**NEW AMENITIES**



Expanded playground with new slide

Drinking fountains

Picnic Facilities

Accessible amenities building with stormwater harvesting



Indicative image of North Bondi amenities  
Source: Sam Architects

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# GANNAN PARK & McCAULEY PARK MASTERPLAN Executive Summary



The City of Ryde is developing a Masterplan for Gannan Park and McCauley Park to better meet the current and future needs of the community. This project began in late 2017 and includes two previous stages of community consultation. In early 2019, the City of Ryde's internal community engagement team carried out Stage 3 of the community consultation process to gather feedback from the community on the revised Masterplan to inform the final design which will be reported to Council for adoption.

Stage 3 community consultation was conducted from 25 March to 17 April 2019 during which the community could complete an online interactive map, online survey about the sports field lighting and ask questions or provide feedback at the residents' workshop or at one of the drop-in sessions.

The Stage 3 community consultation period was promoted through City of Ryde's Have Your Say website, flyers to surrounding residents, door knock, an eNewsletter to stakeholders, signage in the park and advertisements in the local newspapers.

In total 860 comments were received from the community with 187 comments from the drop-in sessions, 249 from the residents' workshop, 236 responses from the online interactive map, 149 responses from the online survey, and 39 email submissions.


Through the Stage 3 consultation it was clear that an upgrade to the park is welcomed and the need for additional sports fields in the area. There was support for the sports field lighting predominantly from sporting users, sporting organisations on behalf of their local community and NSW Health. However, most respondents from the streets immediately surrounding the park were not supportive of sports field lighting and increased field use, citing concerns relating to traffic and parking in the area, light spill, noise and decrease in space for casual community use.

The feedback from this Stage 3 community consultation will be used to inform the final Masterplan which will be reported to Council for adoption. If adopted, a Development Application for sports field lighting is required and would include further community consultation.



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## MASTERPLAN

### Background

The City of Ryde is currently developing a Masterplan for Gannan Park and McCauley Park. A Masterplan provides the framework for how the park will be upgraded over the next 20 years. This strategic plan aims to meet the current and future needs of the community and user groups, while ensuring sustainable and efficient use and ecological outcomes.

Gannan Park currently includes sports fields, cricket nets, neighbourhood playground, amenities building, picnic facilities, car park, gardens and natural vegetation. McCauley Park is an open green space with natural vegetation.

In 2017, the City of Ryde engaged Flagship to undertake Stage 1 and Stage 2 community consultations for Gannan Park and McCauley Park.

Stage 1 community consultation was conducted from 15 November to 10 December 2017, during which the community could provide feedback on the existing parks and what they would like to see in the parks in the future. Council used this initial stage of feedback to develop a Draft Masterplan for the site which was presented back to the community through Stage 2 community consultation.

Stage 2 community consultation was conducted from 11 April to 25 May 2018 during which the community could provide feedback on the Draft Masterplan. Following the feedback received as part of the Stage 2 community consultation, the Draft Masterplan was revised to include fitness equipment, new cricket nets, additional seating, improved park entrances and signage, improved natural area and additional native trees, grass and ground cover plantings.

Council and the Northern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (NSROC) have identified a current and future undersupply of sportsgrounds in the City of Ryde, in particular grounds with sport field lighting. The community demand for sports fields will only increase with the forecast population growth. Therefore, the draft Masterplan was revised to include sports field lighting in Gannan Park.


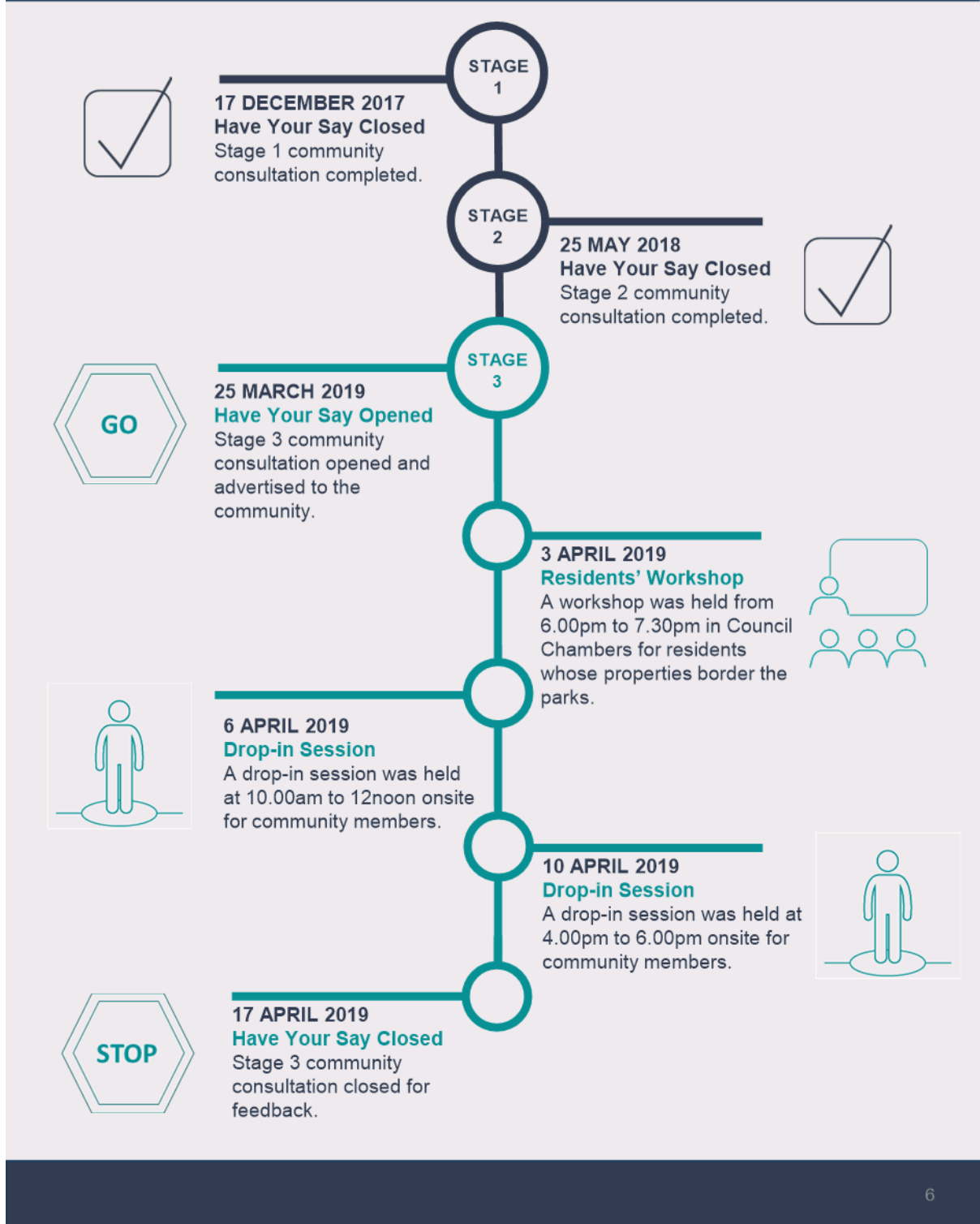
Stage 3 community consultation was conducted from 25 March to 17 April 2019 during which the community could provide feedback on the revised draft Masterplan including sports field lighting. The feedback provided is presented in this report and will be considered when preparing the final Masterplan design which will be reported to Council for adoption.



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Community Consultation Timeline




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Date	Tool	Stakeholders	Overview	Engagement
Mon 25 March to Wed 17 April 2019	Have Your Say Website	Website users	A project webpage with background information, survey, details of consultation events and project updates.	565 page views and 461 unique visits
Mon 25 March to Wed 17 April 2019	Social Pinpoint	Website users	An interactive online map where stakeholders could drop comment pins on the concept plan. This was promoted on Council's Have Your Say page, used at stakeholder workshops and drop-in sessions.	137 respondents 192 comments
Mon 25 March to Wed 17 April 2019	Online Survey	Website users	An online survey about the proposed sports field lighting. This was promoted on Council's Have Your Say page, at stakeholder workshops and drop-in sessions.	149 Survey Responses
Mon 25 March 2019	City of Ryde Have Your Say eNewsletter	Internal stakeholders, sports clubs, community groups and previous respondents	A targeted eNewsletter was sent to internal stakeholders, relevant community stakeholder groups and previous respondents to provide an opportunity for interested stakeholders to give feedback.	138 eNewsletters distributed 93 eNewsletters opened
Mon 25 March 2019	Door Knock	Residents who border the Park	A flyer was provided to residents that were door knocked to ensure they were aware of the consultation and invite them to a residents' workshop.	58 properties door knocked 23 residents spoken to
Mon 25 March 2019	Flyer	Surrounding residents – 250m radius	A flyer was letterbox dropped to promote the project and feedback opportunities for surrounding local residents.	680 flyers approximately
Mon 25 March to Wed 17 April 2019	Park Signage	Gannan Park and McCauley Park users	Park signage was placed to promote the project and feedback opportunities for park users and interested stakeholders.	6 x A1 signs at entry points of the parks
Wed 27 March 2019	Newspaper Ad	The Northern District Times Newspaper readers	Newspaper advertisement to promote the project and consultation opportunities for all stakeholders.	38,000 total print readership

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Date	Tool	Stakeholders	Overview	Engagement
Wed 18 March 2019	Smarter Clean Greener eNewsletter	eNewsletter subscribers	Link to Have Your Say website included in eNewsletter to promote the project and consultation opportunities.	3,205 subscriber 1,307 unique opens
Mon 28 March 2019	City News eNewsletter	eNewsletter subscribers	Link to Have Your Say website included in eNewsletter to promote the project and consultation opportunities.	2,346 subscribers 1,091 unique opens
Wed 3 April 2019	Residents' Workshop from 6:00pm to 7:30pm	Residents immediately adjoining the parks	A residents workshop was held in Council Chambers for residents with property that borders Gannan Park and McCauley Park. This workshop provided residents with the opportunity to discuss their concerns and ask questions about the Masterplan.	23 attendees who provided 249 comments
Sat 6 April 2019	Drop-in Session from 10:00am to 12noon onsite	All Stakeholders	A weekend casual drop-in session for stakeholders to have one-on-one time with the project team and provide their thoughts and ideas.	65 attendees who provided 186 comments (across both sessions)
Wed 10 April 2019	Drop-in Session from 4.00pm to 6.00pm onsite	All Stakeholders	A weekday casual drop-in session for stakeholders to have one-on-one time with the project team and provide their thoughts and ideas.	65 attendees who provided 186 comments (across both sessions)
Sat 6 April & Wed 10 April 2019	One-on-one station at Council Drop-in sessions	Residents immediately adjoining the parks	Residents who were unable to attend the residents' workshop were offered the opportunity to register for a one-on-one meeting with a Council staff member during the drop-in sessions	2 residents attended a one-on-one session
Mon 25 March to Wed 17 April 2019	Information phone line and email	All Stakeholders	The City of Ryde main phone and email address was provided for the project and was open for feedback from the community.	39 respondents wrote submissions directly to Council



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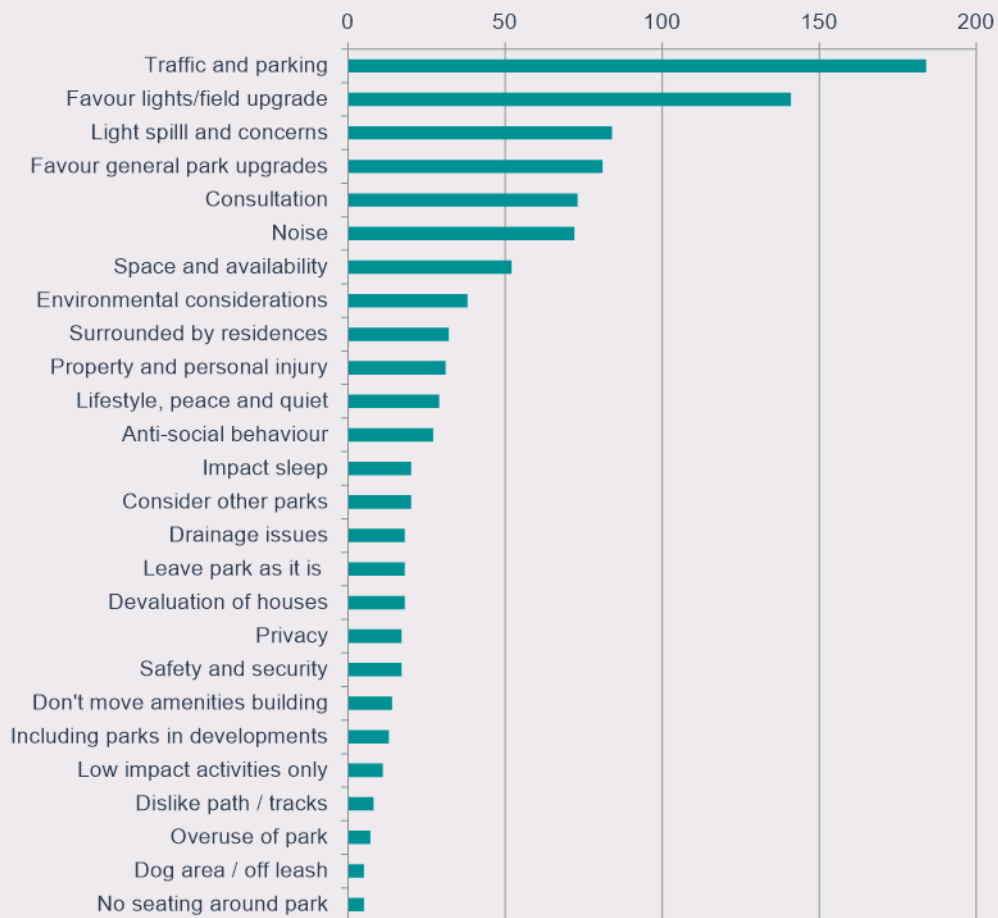
### Community Consultation Results

There were three main groups that provided their feedback: sporting users/community sporting organisations; residents living adjacent/near the Parks; and residents from Ryde/wider Local Government Area (LGA).

The majority of the residents that live in Ryde/wider LGA and members of sporting groups provided positive comments in support of the revised draft Masterplan including sports field lighting.


The majority of respondents adjacent/near the parks were not supportive of sports field lighting being included in the revised draft Masterplan. Council has maintained ongoing communications with representatives from a group of the residents adjacent/near the parks. During discussions, these representatives suggested that if the sport fields were to be reduced from two senior sports fields to one senior sports field and a half/small field for junior sports, reducing/changing the lighting requirements, may address a number of the concerns raised.

Below is an overall summary of the common themes across all consultation methods noting some respondents provided feedback via multiple consultation methods.



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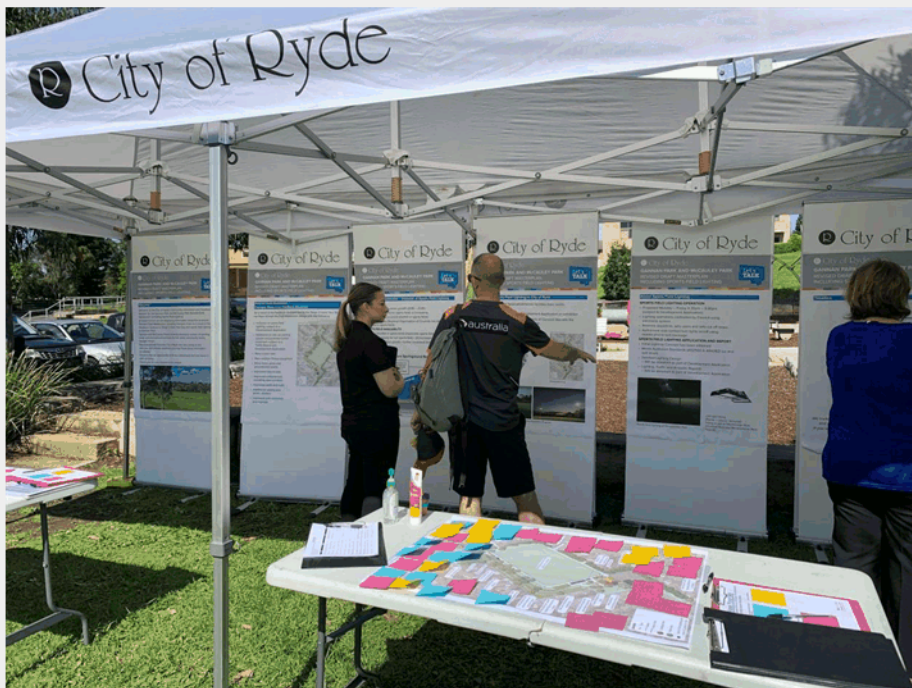
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## Community Consultation Results continued

The following table shows the number of comments/responses received during the consultation period:

Source	Number of Responses	Number of Respondents
Resident workshop	249	23
Social Pinpoint map	192	137
Park Drop-in sessions	186	65
Online survey	149	149
Written submissions	47	39

*Note: some respondents provided feedback via multiple consultation methods.*





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## Community Consultation Results continued

**KEY CONSIDERATIONS**

Based on the feedback received the key themes for consideration in the finalisation of the Masterplan are (in alphabetical order):

- **AMENITIES BUILDING:** Respondents suggested the building should remain in the current location, with some positive feedback received in support of the relocation of the amenities building. Therefore, when considering the location of the amenities building in the final Masterplan, its placement should weigh up the cost and effort of its movement versus the community benefit and Council's accessibility requirements.
- **BALL SPORTS:** Some respondents queried the proximity of ball sports being played near the scooter track and some surrounding properties. The question was raised as to whether a fence would be required for safety reasons, however this was also noted as a visually unappealing option. Therefore, consideration should be given to some form of a barrier from ball sports in the final Masterplan that has a low visual impact.
- **CONSULTATION PROCESS:** Some respondents, particularly those living near the parks, questioned the consultation process. Comments included why sports field lighting was not previously identified during previous stages of community consultation and why Stage 3 community consultation was required. A number of respondents questioned the transparency of the process and why detailed reports relating to usage and sports field lighting would not be made available prior to a Development Application.
- **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:** Support was received in favour of the new and enhanced garden beds as well as the natural improvements to the embankment in Gannan Park and bush regeneration area in McCauley Park. Respondents would like to see more dense under and mid-storey native plants for habitat corridor values and more native plantings to provide shade, attract local wildlife and provide screening for some of the properties surrounding Gannan Park. However, some residents living adjacent to both parks have requested no additional planting behind their property or for low native shrubs to be planted in order to retain their park view and/or limit shade to allow for sun exposure for solar power generation. As a result the planting plan and species list for garden beds located adjacent to bordering properties should be reviewed.
- **GENERAL PARK UPGRADE:** A good level of support was received in favour of the general park upgrades with positive feedback relating to the scooter track, trails, picnic facilities, cricket nets, fitness equipment and the playground. Some respondents questioned the pathway and outdoor fitness equipment locations with specifically in regards to drainage, during and after rain events. Therefore drainage should be considered when finalising the placement of fitness equipment and pathways in the final Masterplan design.

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**KEY CONSIDERATIONS continued**

- **INCLUSION:** A couple of comments requested investigation into opportunities for inclusive design elements for people with mobility needs. Suggested elements for consideration were the playground, amenities building, fitness equipment, access and communal spaces.
- **LIGHT SPILL:** Respondents living near the parks indicated the light spill levels into their properties was a concern. Some comments related to their general opposition to sports field lighting, proximity of the lighting to their property boundaries and some respondents questioned the health impacts and disruptions associated with LED lighting technology.

Therefore, a detailed lighting design is to be included in the Development Application for sports field lighting that will ensure the light spill levels are well within the Australian Standards. It should also review the layout of the sports field lighting, including pole placement based on the requirements. Access to this information should be available to the public when the Development Application is notified.

- **LIGHTING AND FIELD UPGRADES TO MEET DEMAND:** The comments collected in support for sports field lighting and upgrade of the sportsground came through the online survey (n=34), social pinpoint (n=88), drop in sessions (n=11) and written submissions (n=10) predominantly from sporting organisations on behalf of their community members.

The online survey identified "Access to night-time sports facilities in the local area" (49%) as the second most important consideration for the community after parking.

Comments emphasised that the need for additional sports fields with lighting was to meet the growing demand in the local area for training and competitions by local sports clubs, with some comments outlining the health and community benefits of participation in sport and recreation.

However, the comments collected from respondents living near Gannan Park were overall not in favour of the sports field lighting and increased park use associated with the upgrades.

Therefore, a detailed lighting design should be obtained and included in the Development Application for the sports field lighting with the intent to develop management strategies to minimise the impact of the lights based on the designs recommendations. Access to this information should be available to the public when the Development Application is notified.

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**KEY CONSIDERATIONS continued**

- **NOISE:** Respondents living near the Parks indicated the noise levels associated with sports field use was a concern, as a result of general sport field use (e.g. whistles, shouting, spectators and unacceptable language), particularly in the evening. Some comments included concerns about potential noise generated by discussions in the park/car park by park users once the lights have been switched off.

Onsite noise levels associated with a sporting field should be investigated through an acoustic report with strategies developed to mitigate noise impacts as per the reports recommendations. This report should be included as part of the Development Application and when it is notified access to the acoustic report should be made available to the public.

- **OTHER:** Other general concerns raised by respondents living near the parks included the potential disruption to residents lifestyle, peace and quiet; anti-social behaviour; impact on sleep; drainage issues; devaluation of homes; loss of privacy; safety and security; and a desire for the parks to remain unchanged. There was also a suggestion received for McCauley Park to have an additional features such as picnic tables or playground.
- **SPACE AND AVAILABILITY:** Some respondents, particularly those living near the parks, indicated that Gannan Park is currently used by the local residents and some other visitors for casual/informal recreation. Some concerns were expressed that casual/informal use would not be possible with two sports fields. Therefore, when considering the sportsground usage, sports field layout and configuration, the design should also consider options for structured and unstructured sport and recreation.
- **TRAFFIC AND PARKING:** Respondents living near the parks indicated traffic and parking was a main concern including the availability of on-street parking for residents and visitors, especially during change over between games, and congestion in the local streets near the parks.

The online survey identified "Parking" (53%) as the most important consideration for the community.

Other comments reflected concerns about park users parking their vehicles incorrectly alongside comments that indicated a lack of support for a residential parking scheme or local parking management strategies.

Some respondents saw the need for the increased parking on site with some comments and questions were received regarding retaining the boom gate and lighting of the car park.

Therefore, a traffic report should be included as part of the Development Application to investigate the onsite parking requirements, local traffic management strategies and traffic flows. With access to this report made available to the public when the Development Application is notified.

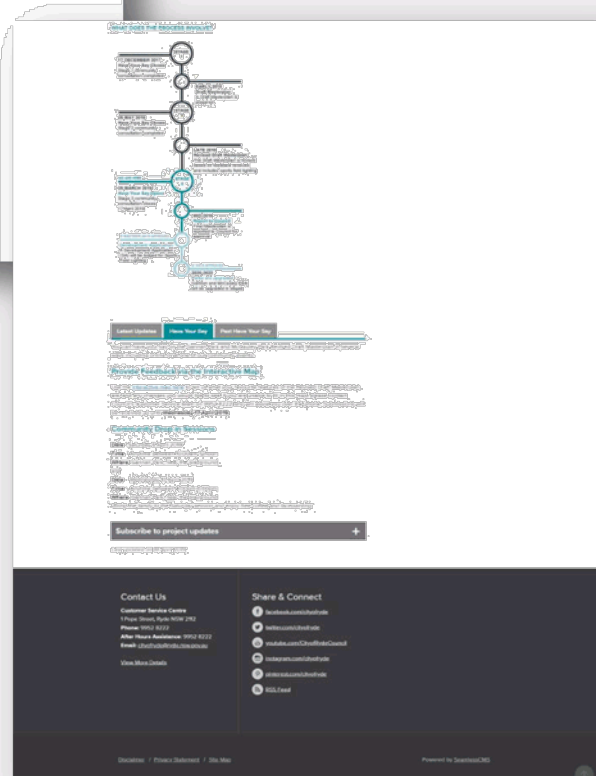
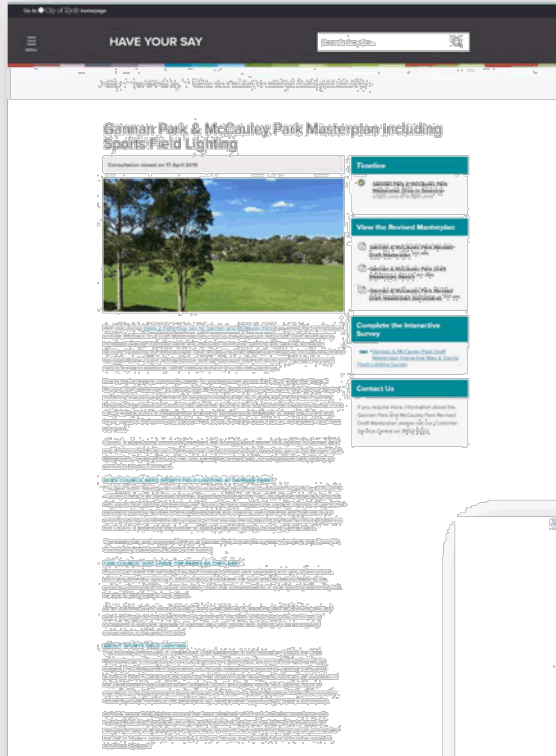
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lighting for evening use. Council actively manages the use of the parks and sporting facilities to ensure sustainable and ongoing use. Intensive and overuse of our existing sportsgrounds adversely impacts on the standard and usability of these facilities. To address this, Council is expanding the number of sports fields with lighting, including Gannan Park.

Without park upgrades and new infrastructure, such as sports field lighting, Council simply cannot meet the sports and recreation needs of the growing community. This would ultimately mean that some residents and local sporting teams may not be able to participate.

ABOUT SPORTS FIELD LIGHTING

The information provided in the Revised Draft Masterplan is only indicative. Should the Draft Masterplan be endorsed by Council a Development Application for sports field lighting will be lodged. The Development Application will include independent reports for lighting, traffic and acoustics. Specific details of the lights such as location, pole heights and hours will be stipulated in the Development Application when lodged. Council anticipates sports field lighting hours of operation in the Development Application will be 4.30pm – 9.30pm Monday – Friday. Surrounding residents will be notified of the details and will have another opportunity to make a submission.

An initial sports field lighting concept has been obtained, which only indicates compliance with relevant Australian Standards (AS2560 and AS4282). A design of the light spill area would be required as part of a Development Application for sports field lights. This design would incorporate the use of modern lighting technology (LED light fittings) that provides more directional light and minimises light spill.

Have Your Say


You can have your say on the the Gannan Park and McCauley Park Revised Draft Masterplan in several ways including online or at one of our community drop-in sessions.

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### Online Survey

Use the interactive map to tell us what your favourite features are in the Revised Draft Masterplan and any changes you would like to see. A survey on sports field lighting is also open for feedback via the map.

The map will be available from Monday 25 March to Wednesday 17 April 2019.

### Complete the Interactive Map



### Weekend Drop-in Session

Time: Anytime between 10:00am-12:00noon  
Where: Gannan Park, near the playground



### Weekday Drop-in Session

Time: Anytime between 4:00pm-6:00pm  
Where: Gannan Park, near the playground

Bring the family along to the Saturday session and enjoy free coffee and face painting

### For more information

If you require more information about the Gannan Park and McCauley Park Revised Draft Masterplan please call the Customer Service on 9952 8222.

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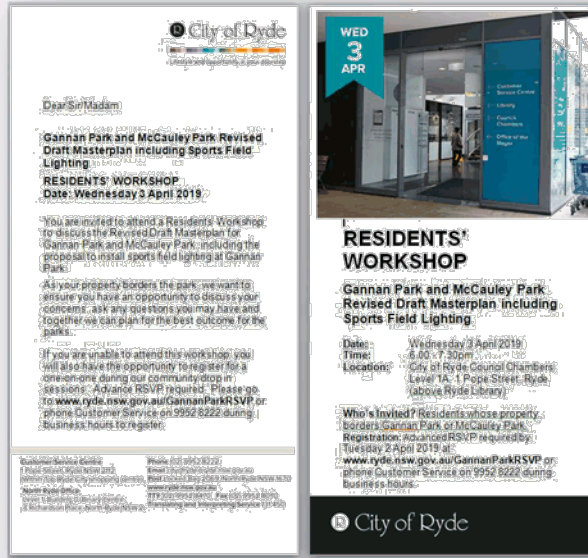
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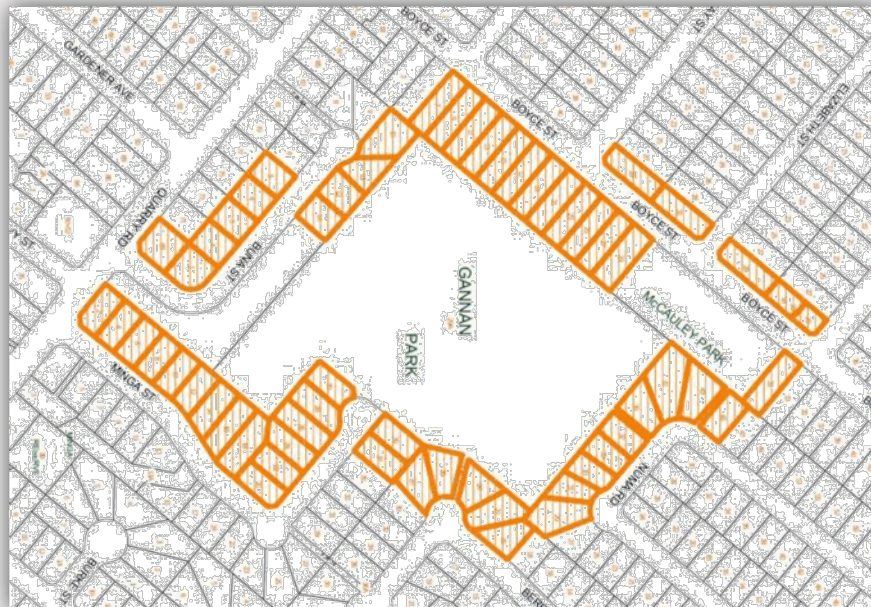
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Revised Draft Masterplan Including Sports Field Lighting  
Stage 3 Have Your Say



Last year during Stage 2 Have Your Say for Gannan and McCauley Parks, we asked the community to provide feedback on a Draft Masterplan. You told us that you would like to see more landscaping, increased seating, improved paths and improved community seating and exercise recreation facilities. Following this feedback, we have revised the Draft Masterplan design to include new fitness equipment, new cricket nets, additional seating and picnic shelters, improved park entrance, and signage, improved natural areas and additional native trees, grass and groundcover plantings.

Due to the increasing community needs for sportsgrounds across the City of Ryde, the Stage 3 Revised Draft Masterplan for Gannan and McCauley Parks now includes sports field lighting.

Sports field lighting was not previously included in Stage 1 and Stage 2. However, recent modeling of supply and demand for sportsgrounds by the City of Ryde and the Northern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils has identified a current and future shortfall of sports grounds in the City of Ryde. Council is implementing a range of sportsground strategies to meet the current and future needs of the community. Gannan Park is one of the few areas that can immediately help meet this need.

Council is aware some community members feel strongly about sports field lighting in Gannan Park, and it is important to our community everyone has an opportunity to have their say on the Revised Draft Masterplan. Therefore, Council has now placed the revised plan, including sports field lighting, on exhibition for your comment.

**Does Council need sports field lighting at Gannan Park?**

The New South Wales government has forecast the City of Ryde's population to grow by 43% (2016 - 2036). There is an identified shortfall of sportsgrounds across the City of Ryde, especially grounds with sports field lighting for evening use. Council actively manages the use and intensity of use of the parks and sporting facilities to ensure sustainable and ongoing use. Intensive and overuse of our existing sportsgrounds adversely impacts on the standard and usability of these facilities. To address this, Council is expanding the number of sports fields with lighting, including Gannan Park. It should be noted that a formal Development Application will be required for sports field lighting, including independent reports for lighting, traffic and acoustics.

**Can Council leave the parks as they are?**

Council can leave the parks as they are, however, without park upgrades and new infrastructure, such as sports field lighting, Council simply cannot meet the sports and recreation needs of the growing community. This would ultimately mean that some residents in local sporting teams may not be able to participate in local sports.

As an outcome of this Have Your Say, Council may decide to leave the park as is for the next few years. Although, as our local community grows and the need for sportsgrounds continues to increase, the upgrade of Gannan Park with sports field lighting will be an ongoing conversation in the years to come.

**Have YOUR SAY**

**How do I give my feedback?**

You can view the Revised Draft Masterplan, project information and have your say via an interactive map at [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/haveyoursay/GannanPark](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/haveyoursay/GannanPark). Feedback will be open until **Wednesday 17 April 2019**.

If you are unable to fill in the interactive map, or don't have internet access, please contact our Customer Service Centre on 9952 8222.

**Let's TALK**

**Community Drop-In Session**

We invite you to come meet Council's Project Team, ask any questions you may have and provide your feedback on the Revised Draft Masterplan.

**Where:** Gannan Park, Ryde (near the playground)  
**When:** Saturday 6 April 2019  
**Time:** Anytime between 10.00am - 12noon  
**When:** Wednesday 10 April 2019  
**Time:** Anytime between 4.00 - 6.00pm

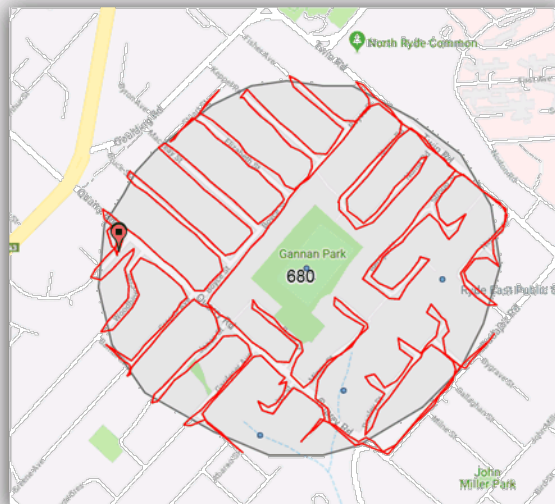
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Revised Draft Masterplan including Sports Field Lighting

Stage 3 Have Your Say

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**Have your say during Stage 2: Have Your Say for Gannan and McCauley Parks**

Last year during Stage 2: Have Your Say for Gannan and McCauley Parks, we asked the community to provide feedback on a Draft Masterplan. Following this feedback we have revised the Draft Masterplan design to include new fitness equipment, new cricket nets, additional seating and picnic shelters, improved park entrances and signage, improved natural area and additional native trees, grass and groundcover plantings.

**Why does the Revised Draft Masterplan include sportsfield lighting at Gannan Park?**

With the forecast population growth, there is an identified shortfall of sportsgrounds across the City of Ryde, especially grounds with sports field lighting for evening use. Council actively manages the use of the parks and sporting facilities to ensure sustainable and ongoing use. To address this Council is expanding the number of sports fields with lighting, including Gannan Park.

Without park upgrades and new infrastructure, such as sports field lighting, Council simply cannot meet the sport and recreation needs of the growing community. This would ultimately mean that some residents and local sporting teams may not be able to participate.



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**HAVE YOUR SAY**



**Gannan Park and McCauley Park Revised Draft Masterplan Including Sports Field Lighting – Stage 3 Have Your Say**

Last year during Stage 2 Have Your Say for Gannan and McCauley Parks, we asked the community to provide feedback on a Draft Masterplan. You told us that you would like to see more landscaping, increased seating, improved paths and improved community sporting and passive recreation facilities. Following this feedback, we have revised the Draft Masterplan to include new fitness equipment, new cricket nets, additional seating and picnic shelters, improved park entrances and signage, improved natural area and additional native trees, grass and groundcover plantings. Due to the increasing community needs for sportsgrounds across the City of Ryde, the Stage 3 Revised Draft Masterplan for Gannan and McCauley Parks now includes sports field lighting. Sports field lighting was not previously included in Stage 1 and Stage 2. However recent modelling of supply and demand of sportsgrounds by the City of Ryde and the North Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils has identified a current and future shortfall of sportsgrounds in the City of Ryde. Council is implementing a range of sportsground strategies to meet the current and future needs of the community. Gannan Park is one of the few areas that can immediately help meet this need.

**Want to find out more?**

You can have your say on the Gannan and McCauley Park Revised Draft Masterplan online or face-to-face at one of the events below.

**Community Drop-in Sessions**

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**How do I make a submission?**

**In Person** At one of the drop-in sessions listed above

**Online** Complete the online survey at [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/haveyoursay/GannanPark](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/haveyoursay/GannanPark)

Closing date for submissions is Wednesday 17 April 2019.

**For more information**

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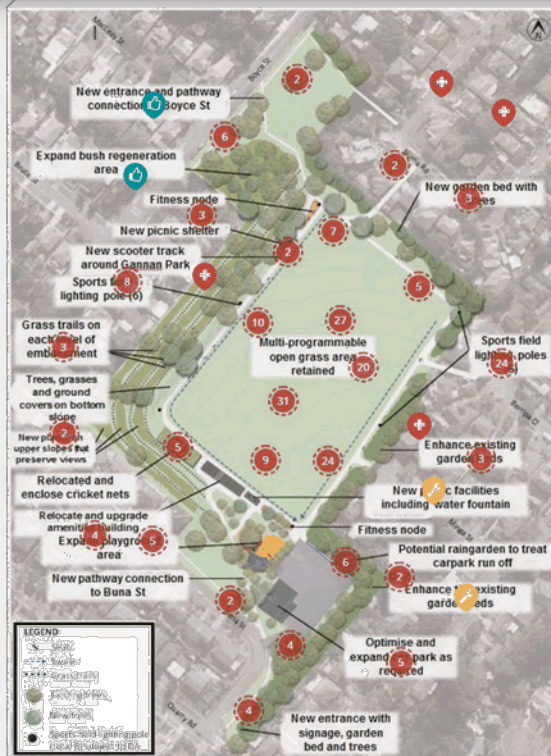
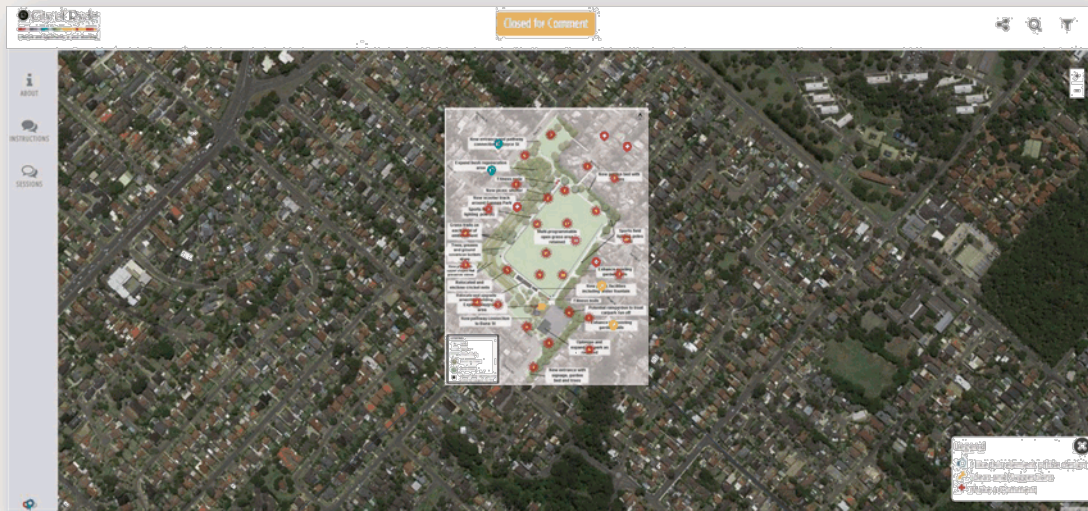
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## SOCIAL PINPOINT MAP WITH COMMENTS






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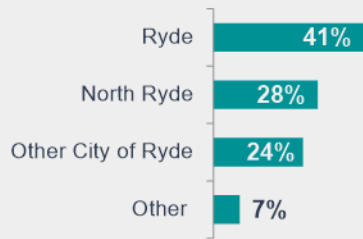
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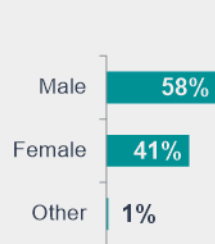


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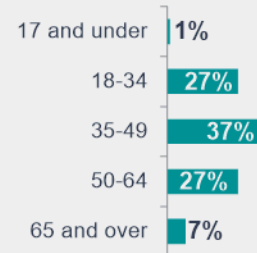
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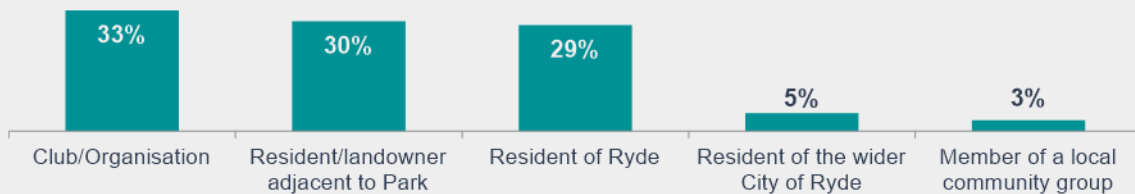
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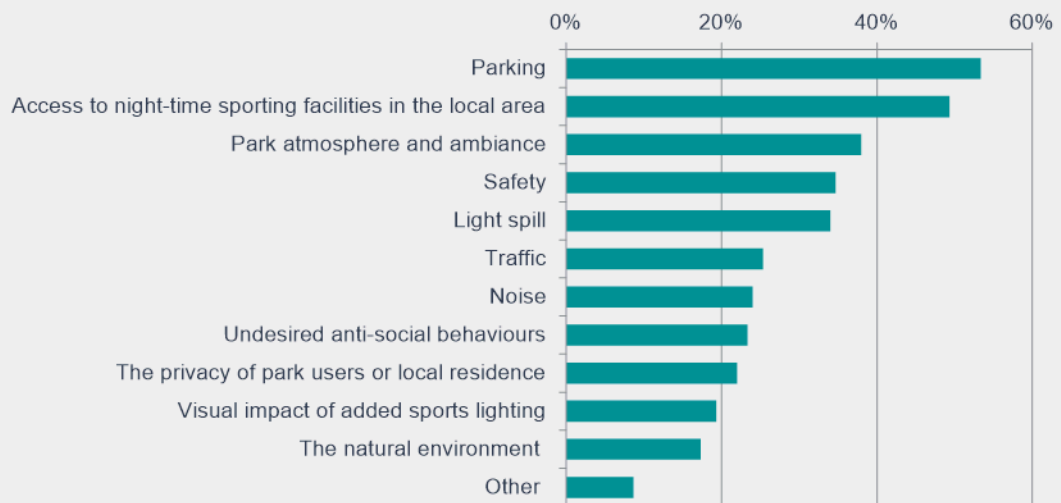


**Relationship to park:**




**Most important considerations**

The survey asked what are the three most important considerations to adding sports lighting. Parking was the most commonly selected, followed by access to local night-time facilities.



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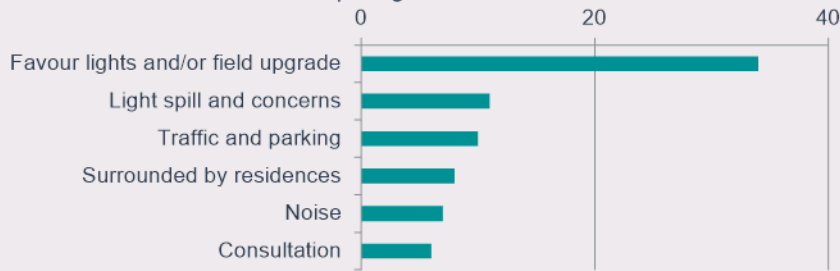
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**SURVEY RESULTS continued**

75 open comments were received through the survey.

Comments demonstrated a level of support in favour of lighting and/or field upgrades in order to meet the growing demand for sport fields and provide local games and training for local sporting clubs in Ryde.

Similarly there were comments relating to the impact of the lights regarding the potential light spill on the properties immediately surrounding Gannan Park, concerns for traffic and parking impacts associated with additional sportsground use and noise.



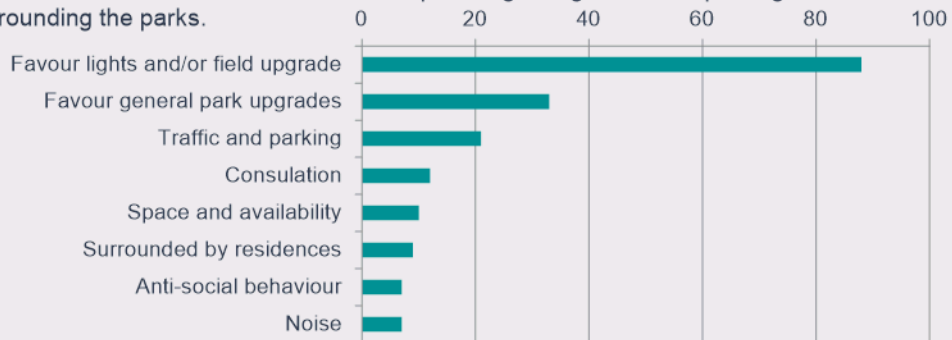
**SOCIAL PINPOINT RESULTS**

192 comments were received online via Social Pinpoint.

There was a strong level of support for sports field lighting and field upgrades via Social Pinpoint from sporting organisations and members of sporting clubs as this will help to meet the growing demand within the Ryde area.

General park upgrades were well supported, specifically relating to the scooter track and trails; enhancement of environmental aspects; the upgrading of the amenities building; fitness equipment and cricket facilities.

Some concerns were raised via Social Pinpoint regarding traffic and parking in the local streets surrounding the parks.



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## DROP-IN SESSION RESULTS

In total 186 comments were received during the two drop-in sessions.

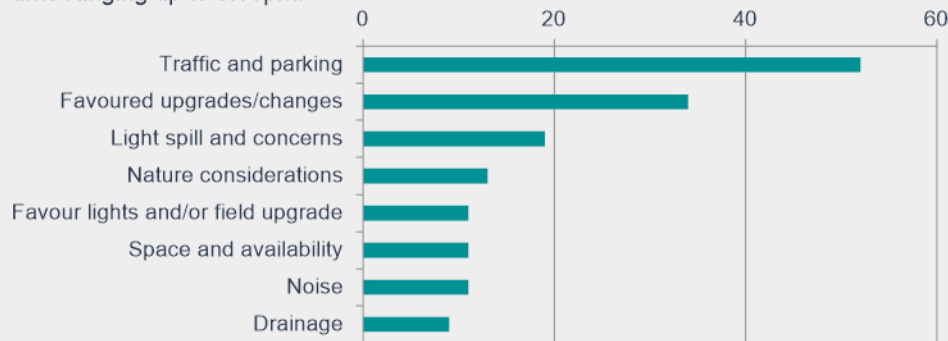
Traffic and parking was the main concern expressed during the drop-in sessions included:

- Availability of parking for residents and guests.
- Increased traffic and congestion particularly during game change over times.
- Requests to expand the car park to provide additional spaces.
- Parking in local streets and parking restrictions may be needed.
- Noise and lights for cars leaving the area and the car park.

General park upgrades were seen as favourable specifically relating to the scooter track, trails, picnic facilities, fitness equipment, cricket nets and playground.


Some respondents living near Gannan Park raised light spill as a concern, with other comments noting the lights being too close to their property boundary.

During the Stage 3 consultation Council indicated their intention for the proposed permissible hours of operation for sports field lighting to be from 4.30pm – 9.30pm, Monday to Friday, should the project move towards a Development Application. Only some comments regarding the lights referred to the proposed hours as being too late with the suggestions for the turn off time ranging up to 8.00pm.



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**RESIDENTS WORKSHOP**

23 residents representing 17 of the 59 properties adjoining the parks attended the workshop and provided 249 comments on the revised draft Masterplan including sports field lighting.

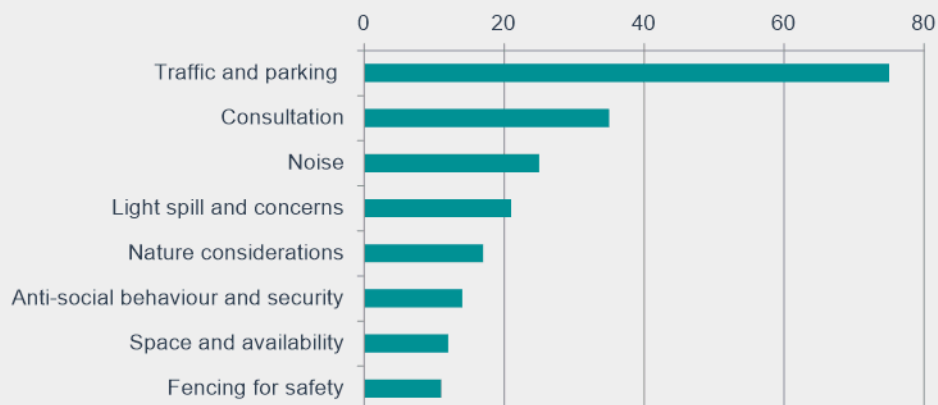
The majority of comments expressed concerns around traffic and parking, including:

- Lack of parking availability and illegal parking, creating issues for residents
- Concerns over parking scheme or parking management strategies as this will restrict parking further, while others did suggest a parking scheme
- Additional traffic and congestion, especially during game change over times
- Concerns regarding cars exiting the car park (e.g. lights and driveway safety) and questions about the car park being locked overnight




Noise was another major concern as this will increase with additional sporting use (particularly late in the evenings) and some users may continue to socialise after the lights have been switched off.

Some comments were received regarding the consultation process or provision of information. This included requests for detailed technical specifications and sports usage. Some residents felt they were inadequately informed (e.g. door knock and invitations to residents' workshop was only made to residents bordering the park).



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**WRITTEN SUBMISSION RESULTS**

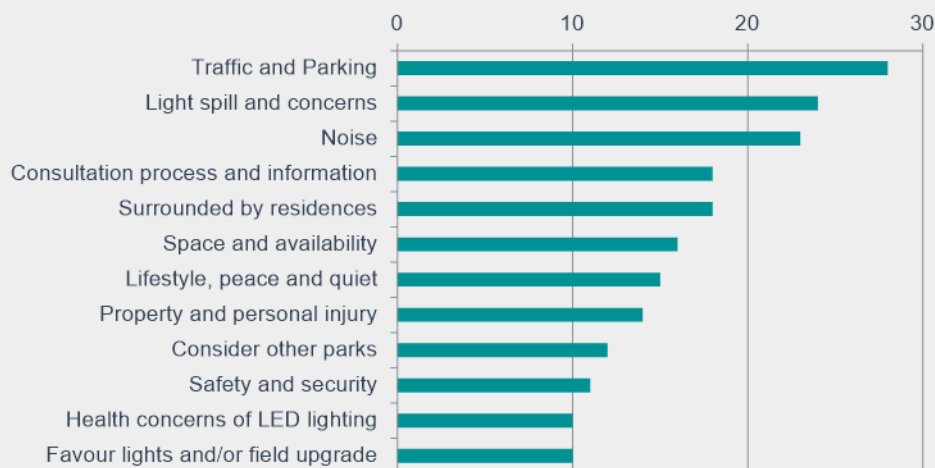
39 respondents sent written submissions to Council during the consultation. Submissions were received from 9 sporting organisations on behalf their membership, 29 local residents and 1 submission from NSW Health Northern Sydney Local Health District - Health Promotion Unit.

The submissions received from sporting associations and user groups on behalf of their community members expressed a high level of support for the revised Masterplan including sports field lighting in order to better meet the growing demand.

The submissions received from local residents identified traffic and parking as the most common concern including increased traffic and congestion in local streets, particularly during changeover of competition games, as well as availability of on-street parking for residents and guests. There was a lack of support for a resident parking scheme or local parking management strategies such as line marking of driveways. Some submissions expressed concern about light spill levels into their properties and increased noise levels. Some residents questioned the suitability of the park for upgrades as it is surrounded by residences on all four sides. Some submissions expressed concerns about the availability of the park for general community use. Other comments queried the consultation process, particularly as sports field lighting was not previously included in Stage 1 or Stage 2 community consultation.

The submission from NSW Health Northern Sydney Local Health District - Health Promotion Unit:

- Commended Council on the proposed features in the Masterplan
- Highlighted the net-positive impact on the health and well-being of individuals and the wider community.
- Noted the Masterplan including sports field lighting contributes to healthy place-making including getting people active, connecting and strengthening communities.
- Provided feedback on the design elements.



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Gannan Park and McCauley Park, Ryde

Community Stakeholder Engagement Report

STAGE 2 | DRAFT MASTERPLAN EXHIBITION

Prepared by Flagship Communications for the City of Ryde.

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## Executive summary

The City of Ryde engaged Flagship Communications, a specialist stakeholder engagement company, to lead the community consultation process for the development of a masterplan for Gannan and McCauley Parks, Ryde.

From 15 November to 10 December 2017, an initial stakeholder engagement period was open for stakeholders to provide their feedback on the existing park and what their thoughts are for the future of the site.

This engagement process resulted in ten key areas of feedback from the community. These included:

- Getting to the site
- Thoughts on the site
- Impact to residents
- Sports activities
- Facilities
- Playground
- Dogs
- Night activities
- Site maintenance
- Natural environment

Council used the feedback to develop a draft masterplan for the site which was presented back to the community through a second stage stakeholder engagement period.

From Wednesday 11 April to Friday 25 May 2018 the stakeholder engagement period was open for feedback on the draft masterplan.

The engagement period was promoted through Council's Have Your Say page, social media and DL flyers to targeted stakeholders and residents and posters in the park.

Stakeholders had many opportunities to provide their feedback including an online survey, intercept surveys and drop-in sessions.

A dedicated phone number and Council's email address were also promoted as methods for stakeholders to provide input to the project.

Engagement interaction included approximately 50 one-on-one interactions at drop-in sessions with over 137 comments provided by participants; 10 intercept

surveys of park users and 66 online surveys completed. There were no calls received through the dedicated 1300 number however eight emails were received. Key user groups and Council staff were contacted for comment, with two Council representatives providing feedback on the draft masterplan.

During the exhibition period, participants were asked their opinion of specific areas of the draft masterplan, what they liked and what they didn't like about the plan and if there were any elements that were missing.

The plan itself proposed no significant change to the landscape or usage of the park, however included elements of improvement to existing facilities at the site. This seemed to resonate with the community with a generally positive response to the draft plan.

Some miscommunication via an anonymous flyer distributed to residents caused community concern that Council intended to install floodlighting at the site as part of the masterplan. This resulted in several emails sent to Council and the submission of a petition signed by 14 residents from Buna Street.

There were mixed opinions on the experiences with dog use at the site and this is possibly the most difficult issue for Council to find common ground with the community. However, the provision of dog bins is provided as a partial solution by many participants.

Participants were generally in favour of the usage of the site remaining unchanged. There was a fear that there would be an increase in parking problems, traffic and noise from an increase in intensity at the site and overwhelmingly the community did not support night games. However, there was a strong response for some lighting around the perimeter path.

Overall, with small amendments, the draft masterplan should be well supported by the community.

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# Background

City of Ryde delivers a wide range of sport and recreation services to both its 117,000 residents and visitors who work or play within the local government area. These services are provided through a network of regional, district, neighbourhood and local open space, parklands, sportsgrounds and indoor and outdoor facilities.

The overall purpose of the project is for Council to better understand the current and likely future sporting, recreational and leisure needs of the Ryde community and to develop a masterplan for Gannan and McCauley Parks.

The draft masterplan includes the effective future provision, conservation, planning and development of facilities and services within the parks.

As outlined in the Project Brief, City of Ryde's aspirations for this project are to identify the provision of facilities over the short to long term (2-15 years) to

ensure sustainable and efficient use and importantly that the parks meet the needs of the community and sporting and user groups.

Council engaged Flagship Communications, a specialist stakeholder engagement company, to lead the community consultation process for the development of the masterplan for Gannan and McCauley Parks, Ryde.

In late 2017, Council undertook the first phase of consultation with the community to determine what stakeholders liked and didn't like about the existing site and what they would like to see at the site in the future. As part of this, participants were also asked about their thoughts on intensifying the use of the site with the installation of floodlighting for night games.

The feedback from this consultation period formed the basis of a draft masterplan, developed by Council. This draft was exhibited to the community in April and May of 2018. This report reflects the outcomes from this exhibition period.



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### Consultation objectives

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The overall goal of our team during the consultation phases of the project was to: work with stakeholders to ensure they are informed and engaged, potential issues are identified and effective two-way communication is developed and maintained throughout the project.

The objectives of the consultation were to:

- create stakeholder awareness of the Gannan Park and McCauley Park Masterplan and the associated consultation process
- encourage stakeholder participation in the consultation process
- establish and maintain effective two-way communication between the project team, City of Ryde Council and stakeholders
- ensure stakeholder issues are identified and recorded
- ensure appropriate consultation tools and activities are used, taking into account demographic elements such as language, literacy, disability and access to the internet
- provide timely feedback to the stakeholders about engagement outcomes
- ensure opportunities are identified and recorded

### Sport and Recreation Strategy actions

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The following actions from the Sport and Recreation Strategy 2016 - 2026 are relevant to this project:

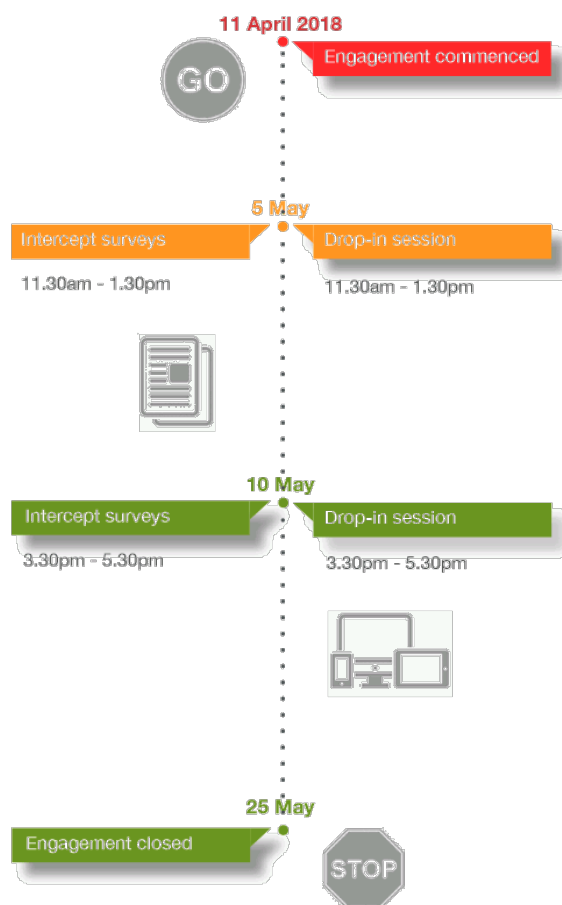
- Prepare a Master Plan for the redevelopment of Gannan Park which incorporates:
  - Consideration of field layout, lighting, parking and extended passive recreation opportunities (eg bbq, circuit path, landscaping, additional shade, seating etc).
  - Consultation with sporting groups and neighbouring residents.
- Progressively implement the outcomes of the Gannan Park Masterplan.
- Investigate to convert Gannan Park into two full size football pitches with lighting.
- Investigate to relocate winter baseball from Gannan Park to ELS Hall #2.
- Upgrade ancillary facilities at Gannan Park to accommodate the new use.

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# Engagement timeline

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# Engagement approach

## Principles

Flagship Communications understands City of Ryde’s commitment to open, transparent and active relationships between Council and the Community. The engagement process supported City of Ryde’s strategic aim for community engagement that fosters:

**Meaningful engagement opportunities whereby community feedback is sought and considered as part of the decision making process.**

The engagement principles below were used throughout the engagement process. To bring the principles ‘to life’, supporting key messages about the project approach are also outlined below.

Principles	Example principles key messages
<p><b>Be informative</b> provide clear and accurate information in a timely manner</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• City of Ryde is seeking feedback to inform the future development of Gannan Park and McCauley Park.</li> <li>• City of Ryde has appointed Flagship Communications to deliver a community engagement program.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Be collaborative</b> ensure all views are recorded and acknowledged</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Different users use the parks differently. We want to understand what would help the community enjoy the site even more, now and 15 years from now.</li> <li>• It’s unlikely that all current and future users of the site will agree on priorities for the parks. Understanding the range of community priorities and expectations will help us prioritise and plan for the future of the parks.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Be sensitive</b> understand the needs of the local community</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The current parks may not meet your needs for recreation and play. Does the draft masterplan improve on what we already offer on this site?</li> <li>• Are there facilities you’d expect to be able to use at these parks that you can’t?</li> <li>• What do you value about the existing parks?</li> </ul>
<p><b>Be flexible</b> respond to community needs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Getting to a Community Information Drop-In session might be difficult for you. To help you to be involved by learning more about the project and providing your feedback, you can find out more via phone, online or email.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Establish realistic expectations</b> manage stakeholders’ expectations so they understand the influence they have in the decision making process and how their input has been addressed.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• By ‘Masterplans’ we mean the visual renditions of community feedback which shows the relationship of all the physical components with each other within the parks and how the parks are placed in regards to neighbouring sites.</li> <li>• The masterplans will provide a 15 year plan for the site – this means that the parks will continue to evolve during this time.</li> <li>• There are constraints on what City of Ryde can do with the parks. The draft masterplans have been developed in accordance with Council’s existing policies and plans.</li> </ul>

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## Engagement methods

The following engagement techniques and tools were used for this second stage of consultation for the parks masterplans project.

Engagement tool	Stakeholder	Overview
<b>Stakeholder Engagement Plan</b>	Project team	An Engagement Plan outlining approaches, stakeholders, engagement tools and techniques.
<b>Stakeholder Engagement Report</b>	Project team Elected Council Council staff	Report containing information on the methodology and result of the engagement processes and how the information will be used to inform the strategic plan and masterplan development.
<b>Briefings</b>	Project team	Briefings held to ensure Council's key project team are informed and kept up to date on the engagement process.
<b>Stakeholder drop-in sessions</b>	All	Two casual drop in sessions at varying times of the day (early evening and day) to allow stakeholders to have one-to-one time with the project team to provide their thoughts and ideas.
<b>Promotional materials</b>	All	A DL flyer, park signage, email and social media posts provide opportunities to promote the project and engagement opportunities for all stakeholders.
<b>Stakeholder notifications</b>	All	All key user groups including sports clubs and other facility user representatives are contacted via email and invited to provide comment via an interview, phone call, email, a walk-through of the site or via the drop-in sessions.
<b>Have Your Say website</b>	All	Dedicated website for engagement with a wide range of stakeholders. The site included context for the project with background information, survey, details of engagement events and reference to a dedicated 1300 number and email address for any enquiries or feedback.
<b>Information line and email</b>	All	A dedicated 1300 number was provided exclusive to the project. The number was staffed 9am - 5pm weekdays with a message bank for out of hours calls. Council's main email address will be used for the purpose of this project.
<b>Social media</b>	All	Project promotion and key messaging distributed via Council's social media pages and through third party sites at the discretion of Council.
<b>Survey</b>	All	A survey to enable the project team to get standardised information from all participating stakeholder groups. Options for survey to be on Council's Have your Say page, used at stakeholder interviews, and drop-in sessions.

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Drop-in session next to the playground in Gannan Park.



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# Engagement results

## Project promotion

A range of methods were used to promote the engagement period and the opportunities for engagement available to stakeholders. (See appendix A and B) This included:

Method	Stakeholders	Distribution
<b>DL flyer</b>	Delivered to residents within a 250m radius of the precinct (Appendix A and B)	Flyers delivered to residents within a 250m radius of the parks
<b>Park signage</b>	Park signage was displayed within the park	Park signage displayed within the parks
<b>eNewsletter</b>	The eNewsletter was delivered to stakeholders of the site.	136 eNewsletters distributed 91 eNewsletters opened
<b>Facebook</b>	A Facebook message was posted on Council's Facebook page.	Reach of 5,506 203 reactions, comments or shares
<b>Have Your Say</b>	Dedicated web page with information about the project and online survey. (Appendix C)	484 page views 364 unique visits

## Project engagement

A range of methods were used to engage with stakeholders during the engagement period. This included:

Method	Stakeholders	Engagement
<b>Drop-in sessions</b>	Two drop-in sessions were held at various times and days throughout the engagement period.	Approximately 50 one-on-one interactions 137 comments provided by participants
<b>Intercept surveys</b>	Intercept surveys were undertaken at the times of the drop-in centres which co-incided with peak usage times of the site.	10 surveys completed
<b>Online survey</b>	Online survey was open to all stakeholders throughout the entire engagement period.	66 surveys completed 100% completion rate of surveys
<b>Stakeholder interviews</b>	Key Council staff members and external stakeholder groups were contacted by telephone or email for feedback.	2 staff member responded No stakeholder groups responded
<b>Email responses</b>	Council's main email address was used as a method of receiving comments from stakeholders	8 emails were received from stakeholders.

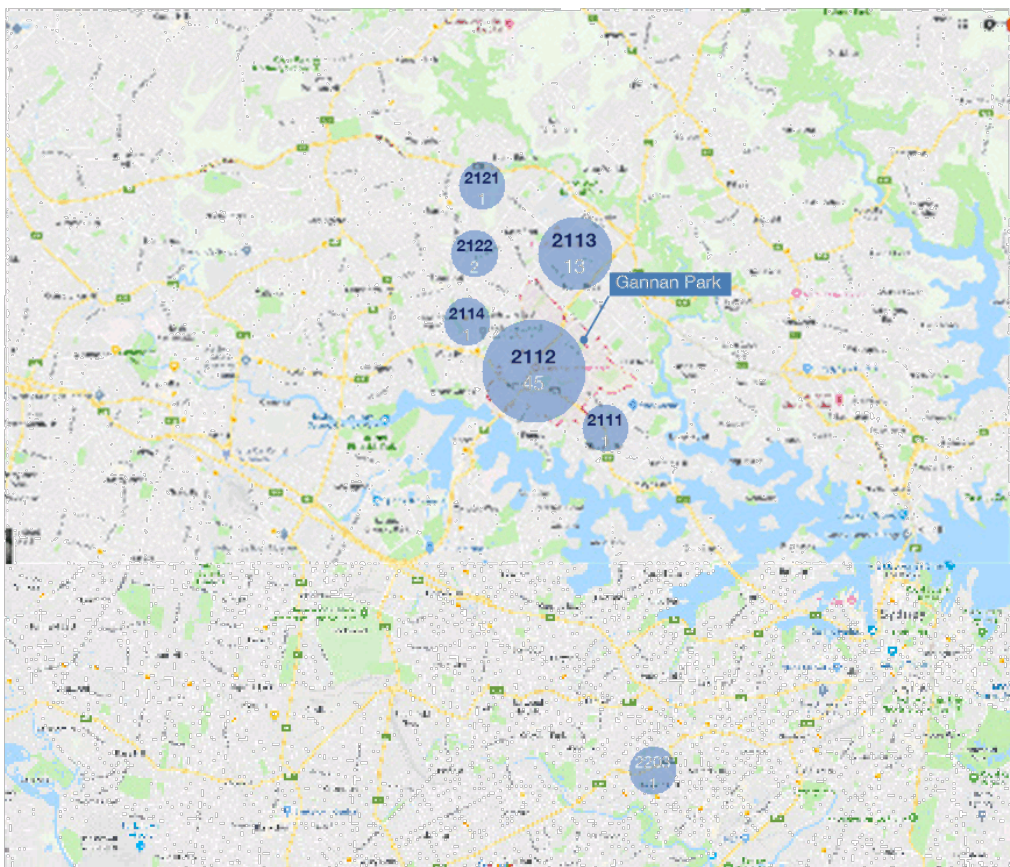
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**Respondents of online survey**

Similar to the first engagement phase, the majority of the online survey respondents were within walking distance of the parks, with a few exceptions throughout the Sydney metropolitan area. For this survey we did not collect age or gender-related information.



Number of online respondents per post code.

Postcodes inside City of Ryde local government area:

- 2111 – Gladesville
- 2112 – Ryde, Putney, Denistone East
- 2113 – North Ryde, East Ryde, Macquarie Park
- 2114 – Meadowbank, West Ryde, Denistone

Postcodes outside City of Ryde local government area:

- 2121 – Epping
- 2203 – Dulwich Hill

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# Draft Masterplan

GANNAN & MCCAULEY PARK DRAFT MASTERPLAN





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# Response themes

The following themes were identified with the aggregation of all the data collected from the online surveys, intercept surveys, emails received and drop-in centres. The aggregated data can be found in appendix C.

## Theme 1 | Favourite elements of the plan

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### **Scooter Path:**

There was overwhelming support for the scooter path around the perimeter of the site with many users commenting (64% online support) on how this will provide children with a safe place to learn to ride a bike away from traffic. This element of the park appears to be one which will be highly utilised by site visitors. There was the occasional request for the addition of little street signs (ie, stop signs or roundabouts) for kids to practice their road sense, similar to Ryde Park.

### **Paths:**

There is support for the proposed paths throughout the site (70% for granite path on the embankment, 85% for grassed trails on the upper embankment and 64% for the scooter track) and for those paths connecting the site to the surrounding streets (75% support for connection to Boyce Street and 72% support for a connection to Buna Street).

The paths are seen to provide better access to and around the site, but also will encourage more opportunities for walking and cycling. The different range of path types is also highly commended with positive comments about the grassed as well as paved path options.

### **Playground:**

The playground is currently seen as lacking in a range of activities for various age groups. The proposal to expand the playground area to include more activities was highly regarded by respondents. However there were a few respondents who did not want to see the playground extended (13% of online respondents did not support the extension). The main motivation to this seems to be that it would attract more people to the park.

### **Sports field:**

Many respondents liked the plan to keep the large field space to allow for more than one activity at a time on the site (ie, play a casual game of frisbee while others play cricket). Responses were received that wished the current sports field usage to remain.

### **Embankment:**

The response to the embankment having additional planting (77% online support for extended bush regeneration area and 80% support for new ground covers) and maintaining the running tracks (85% online support) was very positive. The embankments are seen as neglected and there were many comments in the first round of consultation that would like to see the area bush regenerated. This has been reflected in the draft masterplan with the proposed landscaping which has been received positively.

### **Landscaping:**

There is a positive response to the inclusion of greater landscaping - particularly shade trees throughout the site. There is an overwhelming response for "more trees" with 67% of online support. The new picnic shelters received 63% online support.

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**Theme 1 | Favourite elements of the plan continued**

**Amenities:**

An additional water fountain is well received (80% online support) as well as the picnic facilities (68% online support) however some respondents objected to the proposed picnic facilities (see theme 2 for more detail) (18% strongly disagree). The seating throughout the site is also well supported, particularly the range of seating options.

There was support for the relocation and upgrade of the amenities block (59% of online respondents), however during the drop in events support for the relocation of the amenities was low.

**Drainage:**

There was strong support for an upgrade of the drainage through the initial consultation period. Respondents were happy with the inclusion of drainage upgrades to the park in the draft plan.



Weekend drop-in session.

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### Theme 2 | Elements to change in the plan

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Many respondents were happy with the draft plan and did not see the need to make any changes. However the following is a list of items that were raised throughout the exhibition period.

#### **Sports fields:**

Several respondents did not like the idea of increasing the intensity of sports on the site. Especially sports such as soccer. However, the North Ryde Soccer Club would like the sports field to include two new soccer fields with lights. Baseball players are also wary of moving the local club to another site after having Gannan Park as their home ground for many decades.

#### **Landscaping:**

Some respondents would like to ensure that plantings are not only native, but also endemic to the area. There is mixed feelings regarding street planting along Buna Street and near to the amenities block with some approving of the idea and others saying this should be changed to keep some visual surveillance from the street.

#### **Seating:**

Although in general, additional seating around the site was seen as a positive addition (68% of online respondents in support), there were some respondents who associated additional seating with encouraging people to loiter after dark which may lead to illegal activities. There was a request to move the seats to the inside side of the scooter path, further away from residents.

#### **Paths:**

Generally the pathways are well received however some would like them scaled back to reduce attracting people to the park. Some would also like to see some of the grassed embankment paths made out of granite instead. There was also a request to move the scooter track further back from the houses on the northern boundary.

#### **Amenities building:**

The upgrade and relocation of the amenities building was supported by the community (59% of respondents strongly agreed or agreed), however, some respondents expressed concerns about the cost of relocating the existing facilities from the current location. One suggestion was to install additional covered tables in-lieu of relocating the amenities block.

#### **Lighting:**

Floodlighting was not specifically identified in the draft masterplan. However, comments in relation to floodlighting of the oval were received from the community. Should Council propose floodlighting, Council will undertake further community consultation and follow a Development Application process. Some local sporting clubs and sporting users were advocating for the installation of floodlighting. Some residents expressed concerns about the installation of floodlighting. An anonymous letter was distributed to residents in the surrounding streets which erroneously stated that Council was including floodlighting in the plan. See Appendix D for copy of letter.



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**Theme 2 | Elements to change in the plan continued**

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**Parking:**

Some respondents wished for more parking onsite. It is noted that some respondents expressed concerns about increased intensity of the site and park users parking in the surrounding streets.

**Cricket nets:**

Note: The cricket nets were inadvertently left off the draft masterplan. There was no intention by Council to remove the existing nets. There were many requests to reinstate the cricket nets. However this was based on the oversight in the plan.

**Playground:**

Some residents raised concerns regarding the proximity of the playground to the car park.



Weekend drop-in session

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### Theme 3 | Elements missing from the draft plan

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Overall, the plan was well supported with many respondents suggesting that there are no additional elements required in the masterplan.

**Access:**

Respondents wished to see improved paths and access in the surrounding streets to improve the safety of travelling to the site. This is outside the scope of the project, however the comments have been included for Council's consideration.

**Parking:**

A few respondents wished to see more parking at the site.

**Dog off-leash area:**

There were some requests to include a dog off-leash area at the site. However based on the feedback from the initial consultation period, there was stronger support for no fenced dog area at the site. In addition, there was a request for the exact location of the dog bins to be included in the masterplan.

**Cricket nets:**

NOTE: The cricket nets were inadvertently left off the draft masterplan so there were a high number of respondents wishing to see them reinstated. There was a very strong response to include the cricket nets back into the masterplan.

**Lighting:**

Floodlighting was not specifically identified in the draft masterplan. Concerns from some residents about the installation of floodlighting were received. Should floodlighting be investigated further in the future, Council will undertake further community consultation and follow a Development Application process. The installation of low level lighting along the access paths to allow for some evening exercise (ie, walking or jogging along the paths in winter) was suggested by some respondents.

**Exercise stations:**

Some respondents requested exercise stations to be included around the parks or a dedicated outdoor workout area.

**Playground:**

There were some suggestions to include a slide that follows the slope of the hillside into the playground design and to also reinstate a playground at the other end of the park.

**Landscaping:**

There was a suggestion to include bird and possum boxes throughout the trees. There were also several suggestions for additional shade trees, however this may be due to a misinterpretation of the plan which already includes several additional shade trees around the perimeter of the sports field.

A comment was received to review landscaping and soil profile at the rear of Numa St.

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**Theme 3 | Elements missing from the draft plan continued**

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**Baseball:**

There were requests to reinstate baseball facilities into the masterplan and include an upgrade to include nets and dugouts.

**Bins:**

There is a request for more bins at the site. One suggestion is for an additional bin near the drainage area next to the cricket nets and another suggestion is to install a bin at each entrance to the parks.

**Sustainability:**

It is recommended that solar is used for the amenities blocks and picnic shelters and a rainwater tank be installed at the amenities block. It was also suggested that there could be interpretive signs around the rain garden to improve knowledge of water sensitive urban design.

**Lights and night activities:**

Lights were not included in the draft plan and in general this is supported by the community. NOTE: There was an anonymous flyer (see appendix D) distributed to residents which indicated that Council would be installing floodlights. This was not the case and many misinformed emails and a petition (appendix E) were submitted to Council objecting to floodlights.

The concerns of the local residents in relation to floodlighting, noise and traffic have been noted. Should Council determine floodlighting is required in the future, Council will undertake further community consultation and follow a Development Application process.

**Other:**

Other less common requests included a water feature near to the playground and the inclusion of a canteen or cafe at the site - either as a separate amenity or included in the amenities block. Based on the significant amount of commentary on reducing the attractors to the site, the proposal for a cafe would most likely be strongly opposed by the local community. There was also one request to duplicate the amenities block for the other side of the sportsfield. Some respondents requested CCTV and regular security patrols of the site.



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# Recommendations

Based on the information received throughout the draft masterplan exhibition stage of stakeholder engagement for Gannan and McCauley Parks, the final masterplan for Gannan and McCauley Parks should include the following:

## **Embankment**

- Retain existing embankment and grass trails with minimal changes.
- Expand bush regeneration area from McCauley Park along the embankment.
- Plant shrubs, groundcovers and trees on the slopes of the embankment with consideration to be given to the adjacent landowners.

## **Landscaping**

- Expand and enhance garden beds within the park.
- Expand garden beds along Buna Street frontage giving consideration to good passive surveillance from the road with the provision of shade trees for park users.

## **Picnic facilities, seating and shade**

- Include picnic facilities, seating and shade on site.
- Ensure picnic facilities and seating is located an adequate distance from residential boundaries to reduce noise impacts on adjacent landowners.
- Install water stations with dog bowls.

## **Site access and paths**

- Install new park entrance signage.
- Improve pedestrian access and signage to site.
- Improve pedestrian access around the site and consider design of path edging to reduce trip hazards to players on the oval.
- Investigate options to optimise and consider expanding the car park to reduce impacts on adjacent landowners.

## **Amenities building**

- Undertake a cost/benefit analysis for relocating the existing amenities block.
- Consider installing energy and water efficiency upgrades.
- New or updated amenities block to be inclusive and provides access for all abilities.

## **Sustainability and Environment**

- Utilise energy and water efficiency solutions.
- Use plants for native habitat onsite and enhancing the existing garden beds.
- Enhance the embankment by removing weeds and replanting with grasses, shrubs and trees.
- Investigate water sensitive urban design solutions for car park run off.
- Investigate potential for stormwater harvesting for irrigation.

## **Lighting**

- Should floodlighting be proposed for Gannan Park, Council will need to undertake further community consultation and follow a Development Application process.

## **Sportsgrounds and sporting activities**

- Retain sportsground as grass open space for use by the community for multiple sports.
- Keep the village common feel of the site.
- Include and expand the cricket nets.
- Improve sportsfield drainage and irrigation.

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**Playground**

- Consider enhancing playground design to include slide.
- Better integrate the playground with the natural surroundings of the park.

**Bins**

- Include additional bins in the parks.

**Dogs**

- Include dog bag dispensers at the park.
- Include dog bowls with water stations.

**Exercise stations**

- Include a range of exercise stations around the parks.

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# Appendices

A | Promotional materials

B | DL flyer distribution area

C | Website and social media

D | Data aggregation

E | Anonymous letter distributed to residents

F | Petition submitted to Council

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**Promotional materials**

**City of Ryde** **Have your SAY**

**Gannan Park and McCauley Park Draft Masterplan**

**Stage 2 - Draft masterplan (we are here)**

City of Ryde has created a draft masterplan for Gannan Park and McCauley Park and we'd like to hear from you what you like about this draft masterplan, what you would like to see changed and any comments you may have about the overall plan.

[View the draft masterplan](#)

**Stage 1 - Getting your input (completed)**

Last year, as part of Stage 1 of the community consultation, we asked for your thoughts on what you would like to see at Gannan Park and McCauley Park now and into the future. Recommendations from the community feedback included some of the following topics:

<p><b>Getting to the site</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Investigate improvements to pedestrian walkways to the site.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Thoughts on site</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retain the village character of the site.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Impact on residents</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sustain the existing level of vegetation on the site.</li> <li>Maintain the trees around the perimeter of the site.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Sports activities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider continuing the baseball and cricket at the site.</li> <li>Any inclusion of additional sports at the site should be low key and low impact.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Facilities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase the amount of recreational shade around the site.</li> <li>Install BBQ and drinking fountain facilities.</li> <li>Consider installing green-pipe stations around the site.</li> <li>Consider increasing the number of shade sails.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Playground</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider extending the playground to include a larger amount of equipment.</li> <li>Incorporate play equipment into the natural setting of the park (e.g. a large slide with a play tunnel).</li> </ul>
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**Why is a masterplan needed?**

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To address the needs of the growing community and sporting groups, Council has created a draft masterplan for Gannan Park and McCauley Park in Ryde.

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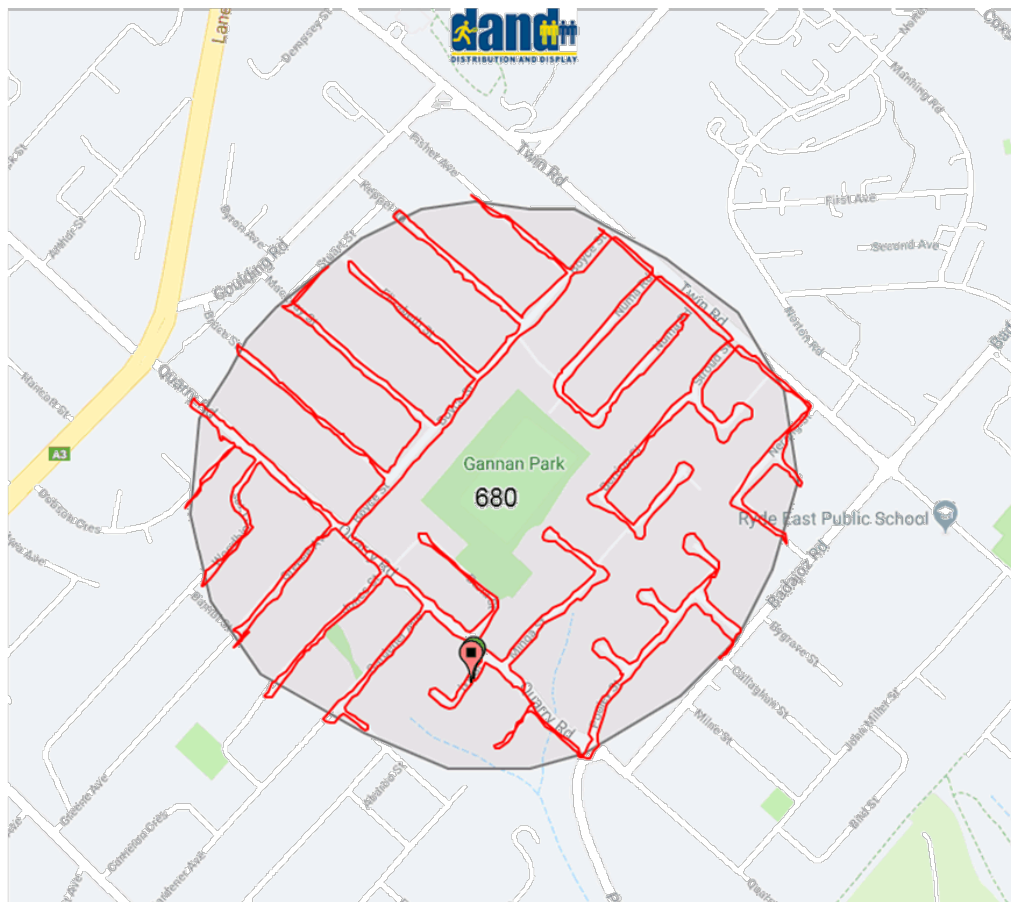
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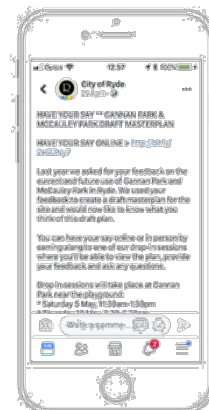
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Have Your Say website



Facebook post



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**Data aggregation**

The responses from the stakeholders broadly form three themes. Below is the aggregated data from the intercept surveys, emails to Council, facebook responses and drop-in sessions.

**Theme 1 | Favourite elements of the Plan**

**Scooter track:**

- BBQ areas and Scooter park as this would mean we could have family time at the park more regularly
- improved playground and scooter track
- Scooter track around the whole park as it will give children more things to do at the park, especially for children whose siblings are doing sport training
- Scooter path. It allows another use of the space that both runners and kids can enjoy.
- Improved pathways to better facilitate circumnavigation of the park
- Also an opportunity for young children to learn to ride bikes safely."
- Scooter path is great idea given how hilly Ryde area is for young kids trying to learn to ride.
- Scooter path will be used and encourage walking as well
- scooter track and expanded playground (including slide running up hill embankment)
- Scooter track.
- The Scooter track and BBQs.
- I like the scooter track
- Like the bike path – can we get little traffic signs and round-a-bouts etc?
- Bike track
- The scooter path also makes the park much more family friendly and would be appreciated.
- Need regular cleaning of the BBQ areas. If you put them in – expect to clean them.
- Also as far as the scooter track around the park is unnecessary in Gannan Park. Please do not spoil the look and feel of the Gannan park.

**Lights and night activities:**

- No lights
- No night games – too noisy, lights and parking problems
- No lighting

**Playground:**

- improved playground and scooter track
- Expanded playground equipment with jungle-gym and slides + scooter/bike track as what was put in 2 years ago was significantly inferior to what was communicated. And what the site should have, given the other amenities at the site (carpark + toilets) when comparing to other playgrounds / locations.
- Shelter and playground extension area - my kids get bored quickly at the playground there.
- We would love to be able to have a bbq with friends there with an extended playground and amenities closer to the ground is really helpful too.
- The expanded equipment
- Playground and BBQ gives more reason to visit
- Extending the playground and scooter track. Playground has limited equipment and needs and update and definitely a slide.
- Extending playground, and scooter path, because it improves the park usage for non sports groups
- Upgraded play area. Having living in close proximity and having a young family and many families living in the area it's something that would be used to the fullest. It'll be nice to have something like that close.
- Expanded playground area, it is too small for several children at a time
- I like the revamp of the playground. There is not a lot for the different ages. Needs step to get onto the swings for the younger kids.
- Playground will be good
- Don't add to or change the playground
- I like the extension to the playground for different age groups

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**Theme 1 | Favourite elements of the Plan continued**

**Sports field:**

- Maintain the large oval space so people can have their little corners for activities
- The two soccer fields as we can use the fields to allow kids to play and get fitter.
- Additionally to the increasing population and units being built more sporting fields are required.
- The proposal to install 2 new soccer fields, lighting and amenities. North Ryde Soccer Club and other club in the area are struggling with space for weekend games, weekday training and preseason trial games. Clubs are competing with each other for training space during the week and for preseason activities. Our club is growing with over 500 members now and will continue to grow as units are constructed in the North Ryde area. There has been talk of upgrading Magadala oval and the RSL oval but no progress has been seen at these locations and hence we would support any proposal to increase the number of grounds and facilities in the area.
- The proposal to establish two new football fields with lighting would greatly assist the Association in scheduling weekend matches for clubs in the Ryde Area. At the moment, there is a severe shortage of fields which will only get worse with continued growth in the local population and this has led to the rapid degradation of the fields we do use. In the Ryde area this year we have already been forced to discontinue use of 4 fields due to their poor condition, which only adds to the load on the remaining fields
- Retains a cricket field and baseball field use for winter ; useage likely to be commensurate with available parking not overloading surrounding streets; gives a good surface for children and older folk with motorised chair vehicles to be active.
- Maintain the large sports field and not convert it to soccer field
- Preservation of the oval
- I like using the site for informal play
- General just shows commitment to playing areas
- "Keeping the cricket pitch and cricket nets
- Keeping the cricket nets and fields
- None leave the cricket pitch and nets in place
- Its a beautiful park, oval that should be kept and improved and not overused.
- Ideally additions would be as unobtrusive as possible. It is a nice open plan park so keeping it as a nice grassy area would be good.
- Just keep cricket pitch and nets
- Leave the park alone - except for more vegetation.

**Embankment:**

- planting out the slopes to provide opportunity for nature and bushland connections whilst allowing community a healthy, active space.
- Fixing up the embankments, currently looked raggedy and unloved
- Revitalising the embankments that have been neglected for so long.
- Grass trails on upper embankment
- The grass trails and ground cover on the slopes. It will be perfect for our use of the site as a cross country venue for school use
- "Grass trails

**Landscaping:**

- Bush regeneration much needed
- the Landscaping and pathways
- new pathways and planting
- New trees and rain garden
- More trees
- New trees for shade and seating
- More trees as there is a lack of shade"
- More trees
- The additional planting will look a lot nicer and the trees will be good for shade
- I like the additional care for plants and bush
- More trees, the more the better.
- "more trees and bush. So many trees lost recently.
- More trees and updated facilities
- Vegetation initiatives. The reduction of vegetation in Sydney due to rampant development is of great concern. New trees etc create a natural cooling system and invite fauna into the area

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Theme 1 | Favourite elements of the Plan continued

- New planting's of trees
- Planting of more trees for shaded areas, upgrading of the walking tracks
- The new trees and plants
- "More trees, more bush regeneration.
- Trees shade
- I like the new shade and trees
- Opportunity to build on the Buffalo creek corridor and connectivity for fauna to access the creek and Field of Mars as a vital link through to the Lane Cove National Park. This link also supports the council adopted Ryde Biodiversity Plan 2016 which nominates the site as a 'regional corridor' link.
- No bush to regenerate in Macauley park presently to 'regenerate'. It would be revegetation or planting 'to occur' in the future to remediate to provide a corridor. Presently there is no bush regeneration contract within the park and would have to be included in the future.
- 'extended bush regeneration' connection identified adjoining Quarry road is supported to bridge critical corridor connection from Gannan to Barton reserve.
- Steep slope at the site already raised to council on numerous occasions to be planted out. This would help long term maintenance crews (due to it being a relatively steep slope and harder to manage) and provide a solid area for biodiversity – good inclusion to have planted out and could have groundcovers and shrubs.
- Could even include some informal sections of sandstone landscaped terracing that can be used as informal seating amongst planted area?
- Clarification requested on the purpose of the new rain garden area.
- Extended bush regeneration area is supported as long as it stays within the identified space

Pathways:

- the Landscaping and pathways
- new pathways and planting
- Improved amenities, extra pathways and trees
- The pathways look like they will provide much better access and good opportunities for walking and practicing riding bikes.
- I like the graded and level walkways throughout the site
- I like the grassed track for walking and running
- Pathway around the area is good.
- Pathway connection from Boyce
- Ensure concrete path edges are maintained to reduce risk to players

Amenities:

- Improved amenities, extra pathways and trees
- The water fountain is super helpful for exercise and kids playing.
- More drinking fountains located around due to the size of the park.
- The new location of the building is much better in the park.
- Upgraded amenities,
- I like the conversational seating
- New seating

BBQ:

- We would love to be able to have a bbq with friends there with an extended playground and amenities closer to the ground is really helpful too. increased capacity for natural area plantings and bushland restoration
- Playground and BBQ gives more reason to visit
- BBQs
- I like the BBQ area
- BBQ is a plus
- Support the new picnic shelter at the southern end but the BBQ in that location is not suitable as anticipated use will be low. New picnic shelter proposed towards the north of Gannan Park is not in a suitable location, suggest moving it to somewhere in McCauley Park



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**Theme 1 | Favourite elements of the Plan continued**

**Access:**

- Path connection to Boyce St. Easier access for people coming from that side of the park

**Drainage:**

- The drainage but it needs to be well thought out and properly executed. The fields become unplayable at the slightest rain in it's current state.
- Improve drainage to increase use
- Drainage improvements x3
- Drainage gets very swampy at North West corner near McCauley Park
- The drainage areas on the north east need to be addressed.
- Drainage swale inclusion – corresponds with flood mapping as a medium/ high risk flood area – good inclusion
- Rain garden – corresponds with flood mapping however maintenance liabilities may see the implementation of this short lived. This could be overcome by a passive detention area that could still be utilised by community actively providing a bit more open space - if designed correctly.

**Other:**

- The creative thinking behind it all
- 'Gates aren't locked.'
- 'I've given up on that idea 2 years ago. I've lived here for over 39 years, would love to be able to sit down with someone who makes the decisions and controls the finances and go through everything.'
- Don't change the use of the park – just more aesthetic (x3)
- Agree more seating is required in the park, exact locations to be determined when detailed design is undertaken
- Allowing Northcross Christian School to continue using the Park is incredibly important to our community.
- it looks good.
- I think its an excellent draft.
- The master plan looks really nice and it is good to see the park is getting some much needed improvements
- Great can't wait for improvements
- Happy with Council's plan and increasing use of our facilities for the greater Ryde communities.

**Dogs:**

- No dog off leash area
- The park is for people – not dogs x4
- No time allocated dog off leash area (x2)
- No baiting is good. North Ryde Common issue with baiting



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Theme 2 | Elements to change in the Plan

**Sports field:**

- Limited use on weekends by sports clubs such as cricket and baseball as this reduces the usability by the general community of the flat oval area.
- the proposed soccer fields could be designs to cater for both adult and mini soccer programs
- I would forget about locating soccer there it draws far more crowds from within Ryde has a far more significant impact on the turf, if a one pitch was synthetic it would lessen the impact but increase use in an area that is confined, there is simply not enough parking.
- We are uncertain about the impact of moving baseball to ELS Hall 2 and the implications this has for the local club Ryde Panthers. This club established the field many years ago and has contributed significantly to the amenities there, and we would not be in favour of losing access to the field.
- No soccer fields. Too much damage caused to grass area (high impact). Leave as cricket and baseball. Cricket pitch can still be used in shoulder and off season if required
- destroy current plan
- Emphasise sports use. Maintain cricket pitch and improve nets (especially run up areas). Put in two small sided junior soccer pitches with goals
- No soccer pitches as it destroys the grass for summer and cricket. Too many ovals in Ryde are in such bad condition by the time cricket season comes around which isnt fare to cricket clubs who pay the same rates to use the grounds
- Reconfigure field for winter soccer use, with baseball moved the ELS Hall in winter.
- There is a lot of rubbish left in Buna street Eg plastic/glass bottles, takeaway food bags. After any large sporting event or gatherings currently.
- This rubbish is not picked up by council quickly and left to the Buna street residents to clean up themselves in their own front yard.
- Artificial turf for more sports. Can fit two fields on the ground – one natural and one artificial.
- No two new soccer fields (x2)
- In relation to the proposed changes to Gannan Park: Ryde Eastwood Hawks Touch Association Inc. would be very interested in using the fields in the winter if there were two floodlit rugby/soccer sized fields available. Our association has for a number of years been keen to increase the opportunity for our members who live within the Ryde Council area to play their sport over the entire year rather than just in the summer. By enabling us to conduct a winter competition Ryde Council would be further enhancing the benefits that the residents of Ryde Council are already experiencing through playing in our summer competition which is conducted at Morrison Bay Park.  
Touch football is a sport that can be played all year round and is a sport which brings together a range of benefits for the participants including but not limited to increased physical fitness and improved wellbeing. Touch Football is a thrilling sport that allows people of all walks of life to achieve their goals; whether that is the thrill of challenging oneself to compete at their best, the thrill of a fast, skilful and exhilarating sport, the thrill of meeting new people or of being a part of something that can span a lifetime.  
Touch Football is an inclusive sport which anyone and everyone can play, no matter age, gender, experience or ability. Touch Football also caters for persons who may suffer from a disability or some form of impairment. The inclusive nature of Touch Football ensures there is a place on the field for everyone.  
Touch Football creates a social environment which few sports can rival. Playing with friends, family, even total strangers is a significant part of the game. Men and women can play together in the same side, just as parents can play with their children. The Touch Football family spreads far and wide, it only takes a game or two to realise how special the sport is and how welcoming and considerate its people are of one another.  
Touch Football is a sport which for generations has involved families at all stages in life. It provides the opportunity for everyone in the family to be involved and even play together in weekly competitions. Mums and Dads can play with their sons and daughters, with even grandparents and grandchildren running around together in park competitions across the country.  
Touch Football has a number of inherent mental and physical benefits, which can improve the longevity of a person's life. Touch Footballers are constantly on the move, walking, running, jumping, stepping and everything in between. The fast paced nature of the sport ensures participants are always getting a workout no matter what they are doing.
- If Ryde Eastwood Hawks Touch Association was given the opportunity to use the fields during the winter then we would be only too happy to work with our National and State bodies to try to arrange a grant to assist in the provision of lighting for the fields.
- I would not like soccer to move to gannon from els hall 2 as the impact on residents. Soccer is a high impact sport. Maybe AFL
- No floodlights or soccer fields

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- Currently a very good amenity for cricket and baseball. Please leave for these sports.
- This oval is one of the best cricket grounds - please don't ruin it with soccer fields and taking away the pitch and nets
- If you keep putting the amount of stuff you want to put in Gannan Park you are going to make it very claustrophobic. It has always been primarily a sports field. Please let's keep that the main priority.
- We need to keep our sporting grounds not remove them.
- It looks like council is removing the 2 sports that the current park caters for and would be a massive loss for the local community

**Access:**

- Increase pedestrian safely to cross Quarry Rd to access park/oval"
- Don't add a walkway to Buna St – leave as is.
- To walk to Gannan park there are bits of bidgee road without footpaths which makes it extremely hard with a double pram and Not safe to walk on the road as cars come quickly around the corner of gardener road onto bidgee road

**General:**

- Nothing in particular, looks good
- nothing
- Happy with the draft plan
- Stop new development. We like the park as it is. People can picnic at Blenheim Park or Quarry Road Park. The park is primarily used for sports and dog owners. We would rather you spend the money on mowing the parks you already have e.g. Nerang St park. Protect the cricket nets and baseball ground
- No changes needed.
- Do not add anything new just maintain existing
- Nothing
- Also some good entry signs would be nice so you can see where the park is
- Probably prioritise drainage over other aspects, good as they are
- Maybe the council needs to not approve so many units in the area and approve more green space for the amount of units they are gramming in our area.
- Stop the residents from throwing their rubbish and tree branches over the fences and into the park, stop them from cutting the trees down that spoil their view.

**Landscaping:**

- Expand tree plantings on the terraced areas to fill some of the gaps created by damage to earlier plantings
- ensure that all the plants going in to the area are not only native plants but are endemic to the area and appropriate for the type of community in that area
- I would like to see more street tree planting to Buna Street to provide shade for parking and walking.
- Better maintenance of McCauley park is required - it is often too overgrown .. the rain garden sounds like it will be more overgrown area
- Reduce some of the tree screening of the park from the roads - this is an important security issue
- Leave the entrance to gate near number 31 Numa clear. Build up area where existing stepping stones are
- Build up the area that has subsided behind 31 Numa. (build up the soil profile) The fence is falling in.
- No new trees near the amenities building.
- Raise the granite path to mitigate flooding
- Remove the large tree near Buna Street next to the water meter.
- Ficus birch minor needs to be removed from embankment
- Use low shrubs to allow neighbouring properties to still have views of the park
- Fencing considerations at the site to consider protecting bushland pockets for flora integrity for use by fauna – if dogs are permitted throughout bushland their scent on vegetation will act as a deterrent for fauna who require these links and waste of council spending to build up these areas as corridors. Goes against aims and objectives of the MP to 'encourage habitat for local fauna'.
- Proposed new ground cover plants in the South western corner – suggest remove the reference to ground cover to enable more scope on what can be planted

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**Seating:**

- Seating should be sport appropriate i.e. viewing areas for cricket and baseball. The baseball fences and dugouts could also be upgraded and extended.
- Maybe some more shade tables and seats so community can have picnics out of sun
- Extra seating in the park - currently at night there are groups of men that come to the park late at night to smoke dope or take drugs. These people have their highs in the park and our street residents had to call in police multiple times to investigate these people. They usually hang out in the current picnic area seating. I am unsure if extra seating will encourage more of these men to come as a hangout spot at night, and whether it will pose a risk to the neighbourhood safety.
- Spectator coverage
- More shade for people watching cricket or baseball closer to the field 9x2)
- Move seating to inside the scooter track further away from residents
- Edge of concrete path possibly dangerous for twisting ankles. Prefer flush crushed rock type of material.
- No shelter or BBQ on the western side of the park – definitely no BBQ.

**Paths:**

- granite on embankment and grass trails.
- The Pathway around the park, picnic shelter and seating. You are trying to put too much into a small suburban park that is used for sport and exercise and running with dogs. North Ryde Common would be ideal for bike tracks, skate park and dog runs Gannon Park is too small an area to be attempting to put a scooter track and seating outside residents fences
- I don't think a scooter track is needed-will become too crowded
- The scooter path. A concrete path around the perimeter seems to be at odds with the natural elements in the plan - the rain garden, new tree plantings etc
- Add a granite path around one of the raised tiers on the bank in addition to one on field level"
- Decomposed granite edging – is this required? Longevity with the slope, wear and tear and weather events? Passive walkable terracing maybe could achieve similar outcome??
- No scooter track.
- Can we get a kids' bike play area with little roundabouts like Ryde Park?
- Scooter track like at Ryde Bowling Club Site. Keep it separate from dogs
- Move scooter track further back from the houses on the northern boundary.
- Proposed natural decomposed granite path – leave as natural turf, no need for decomposed granite
- Not keen on the scooter track. A huge appeal for the Park is the vast expanse that it has. It feels natural though in a metropolitan area. Putting a boundary around it (a concrete scooter path) limits the vast scale of the Park, and creates an unpleasant sense of restriction. This goes against the main purpose of the Park for so many, where they can be surrounded by a piece of nature, away from the busy Sydney life."
- North Ryde Common is a larger area and is not designated as a sports ground. The Common is a great spot for scooter tracks, picnic areas and BBQ areas.

**Amenities building:**

- Moving amenities building. Waste of ratepayers money and team have not thought about safety aspects of moving this building closer to the playing area. Cricket balls may hit building and persons using the building. it is already unsafe to walk around the park when cricket games in progress. Not enough room for cricket pitch and amenities block in the space available.
- "The proposed new amenity site takes up precious park space. The amenity building is seldom used except for the toilet. I do not think moving it to the proposed location will increase it's use. Currently baseball players have adequate seating and shelters behind the net and people who attend cricket events bring portable tents and seats and they prefer sitting around the field. I do not think they need the amenity building to put their equipments
- Not needing new buildings
- Don't move the toilet /amenities block. Upgrade at current location where it is by carpark and out of line of site. It will be an eye-sore right on edge of grass, constrain playground area, and un-hygenic being right beside proposed BBQ / Shelter.
- Why spend a lot of money moving the amenities building?
- Keep the amenities block where it is.
- The toilet block. Should NOT be so close to the picnic area. Yuk!
- Current location of toilets works well - proposal brings them too close to the useable park

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- Safety aspects of moving amenities block closer to playing field.
- Additional covered tables, in lieu of relocating the amenities building.
- Don't relocate the amenities building (this is an abuse of money).
- Keep the existing amenities block where it is currently located.
- Moving the toilet block – would it impeded the line of sight for players?
- No need to relocate the toilet block – for what gain? Block line of sight between players and their kids in the playground
- Waste of money moving the amenities building. Nothing wrong with it.
- All good except for moving the amenities block – waste of money!
- The amenities block will be too close to the BBQs. Toilet will be right next to where you want to eat.
- Huge expense to relocate toilet block for minimal gain. Also negatively impacts play area with line of sight from sport area. Cuts off play area from the main grounds. (x2)
- "Please do not move amenities block.
- Shop never been used while I have been using park 15 years. Players bring their own drinks (usually beer) council would have to have liquor licence to provide what the players want."
- "Do not relocate the amenities building, just upgrade it. It's a huge cost for little benefit, actually make things worse. It would separate the kids' playground from the sports fields, creating child safety concerns from lack of view.
- I am not sure if it is a good idea to relocate the amenities building. The current shelters are great for family and friends gathering, and for those who attend sporting events as it provides a wide open view of the park.
- I really don't think having a new amenities building there will promote its use.

**Lighting:**

- Absolutely no floodlights or soccer fields
- Don't increase the lighting
- To whom this may concern.  
This is to voice my objection in regards to installing flood lights at Gannon Park. As a resident of Minga street there are many reasons why this should not go ahead and main one being there will absolutely be parking chaos. As Minga street isn't a big street as it is, having any sporting events being training or actual sport games will cause many problems for residents parking in their own street let alone in front/near their houses.  
A perfect example - movie night held here in April at Gannon Park. People desperate for parking and parked anywhere and everywhere. A parking ranger would have had a field day booking everyone had they known. Residents even were knocked back from driving into their own street - ridiculous.  
Obviously a big No for the flood lights unless council wants complaints from residents. We need the street to stay as it is, we are many growing families who live here and priority for parking should go to us and our growing children! The last thing we need are issues with parking on this quiet and peaceful street.  
Unless council wants to go around installing parking for residents signage please don't go ahead and install lights for soccer at this park. There are many other parks that can be used for this purpose that are currently for that.
- Dear Top Ryde Council,  
I am writing to voice my concern with proposed lights being installed at Gannon Park and question why proposed evening games were not advised in the mail correspondence provided a number of weeks ago?  
My main concern is with noise, street parking, and increased traffic through the street.  
Parking: There have been issues raised in the past where limited street parking results in people park across residential drive ways. If this happens as a result of evening games, residences will quickly become extremely frustrated.  
Noise: I have witnessed groups of people congregating on the footpath outside peoples homes after games to drink alcohol. This is not ideal.  
Increase in Traffic: It is not uncommon for players to speed down the street at excessive speeds after games. This makes the street unsafe for children.  
I am not trying to oppose people using the park or enjoying themselves, however the Minga street residences are concerned with adverse changes which will directly affect their quality of life.  
Just in regards to this survey - it is actually about the upgrade of Gannon Park which there aren't any mention of flood lights - no point completing if the residents are objecting to the flood lights. But we have been informed that there may be flood lights installed which we are strongly objecting to.
- I have previously completed this survey but to advise that I am happy with the other changes being made ie, scooter track and other kid friendly changes - definitely would not have been happy with changing to a weekend training/game soccer field that would affect the traffic and parking in our street.  
I wanted to confirm that our emails (and I'm sure you will be receiving many from Minga St) are taken into considering and not put to the side. A neighbour actually is confirming with a member of parliament which will hopefully help as



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well. Assuming all correspondence and opinions from residents are usually taken into consideration.

- Dear Officer,  
Our family lives on Berripa Close and has recently received a notification that the Ryde Council has created a draft masterplan installing two floodlight soccer fields at Gannan Park.  
We would like to raise our objection to the draft plan. We live close to Gannan Park and appreciate the peace and quiet environment. We do not want to see our street become a car park.  
Appreciate your consideration.
- I wish to object to your draft masterplan regarding the installation of floodlights in Gannan Park.  
Will you please advise me who came up with the idea and why the Council would even want to consider such a plan. I can presume the installation of lights for sports clubs is only a cash grab and vote getter at Minga St and surrounding residents expense.  
I have lived in Minga St since 1978 and I have always felt safe and secure due to the fact we have had minimal thefts and I believe zero break and enters, this will now be threatened by you encouraging use of Gannan Park in the evenings, more strangers introduced into the area.  
Parking has been at a premium in the street for quite some time due to the fact most families have more than one car, at approximately 1730 onwards a minimum of 30 residents vehicles are parked in the street.  
When the park is used on weekends/weekdays for sporting events visitors to the street have no regard for residents parking they park over driveways, on the corner of 20 Minga St and in the cul-de-sacs, the best example of no parking in the street was when you used the park for a Saturday evening movie, my family could not visit us, again your idea had no regard for the residents.  
To add insult to injury, upon returning home from shopping that evening I was asked by the Security Officer positioned at the entrance to Minga St to prove I lived in the street, the street was full of strangers vehicles, why were they allowed in if they were not residents?
- I refer to a letter dated 30th April 2018 distributed by the Mayor regarding Traffic and Parking around Ryde Secondary College.  
Mr Jerome Laxale obviously has family going to the college and wants us to express our concerns, he is not worried about Minga St residents or the children in the street as he does not live or have family in the street, very one sided.  
A suggestion, should this go ahead, is to place parking restrictions in Minga St and the surrounding streets advising persons using the park, no parking will be available from 1700 on the nights the park will be in use.  
Permits can be issued to residents so as we can have visitors.  
All the residents know Council will push for this to go ahead with no regard for our concerns, however we do have a vote in the next council elections and we have agreed East Ward will do our best to remove the current councillors.
- I am writing to you regarding the upgrade of Gannan/McCauley Parks.  
We are residents of Minga Street which is small and quiet cul-de-sac. Minga Street is a narrow street therefore the upgrade of Gannan Park is of great concern to us.  
We are a family that enjoys playing all sports and love that we live in such a peaceful area with this beautiful park. We recently had a film night on the 14th of April and the parking situation was horrendous. My husband along with other neighbours were stopped at the entry to the street and told he could not enter as the street was completely full. Another neighbour had to ask visitors to move their car so they could get out of their own driveway. There were a number of cars unsafely parked on the bend of the street outside number 20, in the cul-de-sac and blocking driveway access.  
We have workmen in the street at the moment adding electoral cables there is enough room for one car on each side of the street and one car to drive through. During the evening and weekends our street is at capacity, I would hate to think that we as residents are having to leave our cars in other streets or having to park on our median strip or across our own driveway and be fined. Before this upgrade is considered more parking must be made available and parking restrictions in our street put in place. I understand you are looking at having soccer training at the moment however as our population is expanding therefore down the track there may be evening, Saturday and Sunday games. This needs to be catered for. I don't believe 2 hour parking limit will be satisfactory, due to the length of time of the games. We are a street that doesn't have street signs which we love and I would be very unhappy to have the large painted white crosses outside of each driveway as you do in Callaghan Street and Warwick Street this is extremely ugly.  
I don't believe that I will be personally affected by the lighting however I am concerned you have submitted a map with all of the new facilities, equipment and trees however I do not understand why you don't have any lighting mentioned or a diagram on your map of where the lights will be. In conversation with a neighbour he attended one of your meetings in the park and said that nothing was mentioned to him regarding the lighting. You have also emailed me information that was sent out to the residents and again nothing mentioned. I do not understand why you are not be transparent with this ?

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There are some elements of the upgrade I will enjoy. The expanded playground, grass trails on the upper level embankments, new scooter tracks. Perhaps you could also consider the exercise equipment you have put in the park at Meadowbank a cycling and walking track. This will be a real asset to the park especially if you are looking at putting the lights in.

Thank you for this consideration I will be looking forward to hearing from you regarding what you propose for our street parking and where you will be installing the lights.

• **To Whom This May Concern,**

We are residents from 37 Minga Street Ryde and are responding to your letter regarding installing floodlights in Gannan Park due to creating a Soccer Field.

We are not happy with proceeding with your request and not because of the actual soccer games as we don't mind sport activity in the park, but as we reside right across the park just one house down from the colder-sac side, having cars parked on our street and large floodlights, & noise will affect us and all our neighbourhood.

• We are a family of 6 at home with teenage kids all, which have cars, we only have a double garage and a small drive way, therefore the rest of our cars are parked on our front street, hence this will be a problem if the street will be occupied with other cars due to sports activity. Given there is an existing car park area already allocated for Gannon Park, on the back street we, cannot approve our street to become a car park area, as we are very sure this will cause problems & conflict not only for us, but for the rest of the street.

Minga street is a beautiful, peaceful, friendly & family orientated street, we all know each other and most of us have pretty large families, so you will find most of the street is already occupied with its own residential parking.

We are also concerned about the noise, given soccer training will be till late at night during the week, we are concerned as most of us in the street are young families

who are working full-time and some of us get up early, so having noise till late at night during the week, is quiet a concern. We already have sport activity in the park, on the weekend

but don't mind that as this at least is during the weekend and as we mentioned prior we don't mind sports activity in the park during appropriate times.

We totally appreciate that you wish to use a beautiful park like Gannon Park for sports activity but given you are requesting for week night activity we have to object to this, and hope you will understand and consider our decision.

• I am a resident and rate payer of Minga Street in Ryde. I have reviewed the Gannan and Macauley Park materplan and I note that there are potential plans to install two floodlit soccer fields in Gannon Park.

I am very concerned about this proposal from a number of points and I wanted to voice my thoughts and request that the observation that retention the open space is a priority is the option adopted.

I do not believe that the area will support the increase in traffic and demand for car parking.

The car park for the facility is completely inadequate. When the open air cinema was staged earlier in the year, Minga Street was very congested. The road is so narrow that when there are a large number of cars parked it makes getting out of your drive a challenge. One of my neighbours was completely blocked from his own drive. That is an unacceptable situation.

Ausgrid are installing new electrical cabling in the Street. This has involved a number of diggers and areas fenced off for approximately 25% of the street at a time. This has caused huge disruption and inconvenience. Getting out of our drive was a huge challenge and only the help of the workers helped avoid accidents.

These two events are proof that Minga Street cannot sustain or support any further cars parked in the street.

If the strategy was adopted and both pitches were used they would be demand for parking from 44 players plus spectators. There is a change over when the next games players etc arrive while the game before is being played.

That could mean as many as 88 cars plus spectators possibly exceeding 100 cars in the area. The car park can accommodate about 50 cars. Minga Street is the main overflow option and I do not believe it can support even 10 more cars let alone 50, it is just not sustainable. Getting in and out of the driveway will be problematic, adults and children crossing the road safely will be an issue, all this disruption all mean that this option is flawed.

In addition there will also be huge disturbance by the noise and floodlights at night which will affect our quiet enjoyment which I am sure many others will adequately cover.

As an alternative wouldn't it be more appropriate to take advantage of the current fit for purpose facility at Meadowbank with the existing infrastructure and in particular car parking to support the facility and adopt a relatively cost effective strategy of simply adding floodlights.

I am happy to discuss this further if required.



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To Whom This May Concern,

We are residents from 39 Minga St, Ryde, and are responding to your letter regarding installing floodlights in Gannan Park due to creating a Soccer Field.

We are not happy with proceeding with your request and not because of the actual soccer games as we don't mind sport activities in the park, but as we reside right next to the park, having cars parked on our street, large floodlights, & noise will affect us and all of our neighbourhood.

We have 5 cars and it's already a struggle for us to find parking, hence this will be a problem if the street will be occupied with other cars due to sport activities. Given there is an existing car park area already allocated for Gannan Park, on the back street, we cannot approve our street to become a car park area, as we are very sure this will cause problems & conflict not only for us, but for the rest of the street.

Minga street is a beautiful, peaceful, friendly & family orientated street. We all know each other and most of us have pretty large families, so you will find most of the street is already occupied with its own residential parking.

We are also concerned about the noise. Given soccer training will be 'til late during weeknights, we are concerned as most of us in the street are young families who are working full-time and some of us get up early, so having noise 'til late at night during the week is quite a concern. There are already sport activities taken place in the park during weekends, but don't mind that as it's at least during the weekend and as we mentioned prior, we don't mind sport activities in the park during appropriate times.

We totally appreciate that you wish to use a beautiful park like Gannan Park for sports activities but given you are requesting for weeknight activities we have to object to this, and hope you will understand and consider our decision. If you wish to discuss this further please feel free to contact me via email.

- As teams have begun to use the oval more, consider adding lights for night training. Could also expand garden at northern end of Gannan park
- Floodlighting of the area is required to enable night time sporting activities. This is in line with Council's Sport and Recreation Strategy which details the outcome, in Goal 1 "To make the most of what we have"
- We support the intensification and maximisation of use of the space to meet the future demand for sports fields detailed within Council's Sport and Recreation Strategy, subject to an identified user group wanting to take up the space. This includes incorporating 2 full size rectangular fields.
- The 2018 NSROC Sportsground Management Strategy also identifies a shortage of sportsgrounds in the Ryde area for the projected demand into the future. Floodlit rectangular grounds at this location will assist in meeting this demand.
- The boxed interpretation of the community consultation accords with the feelings of local residents ; I Strongly oppose night soccer lighting and craction of 2 soccer fields in the space; high useage , overlapping crowds , field degradation and marginal drainage are all reasons to oppose that ; Crowd attracting sports are best played in large well serviced venues with adequate parking and train service nearby.

**Parking:**

- More parking facilities
- More carparking
- More parking room for the increasing population
- There will be a terrible parking issue in the surrounding seats

**BBQs**

- "NO BBQs!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Mess, increased out of area visitors who do not care about the park. NIMBY. No dog off leash areas or indeed fenced off area either- but I have Buckley's for either!!
- Absolutely No BBQs. Totally changes the use pattern of the Park. Noise levels, cleanliness, rubbish removal, vandalism all become worse when BBQs are installed in an area. What happens when there are games on and groups of say 20 people want to set up tents and have a BBQ. At very least the BBQ smells would put off the players on the field. Simple solution is if people want to have picnics, just BYO food. It doesn't need to be cooked on site.
- "The BBQ seems out of place to the playground facility . I would feel uncomfortable to let my children play on their own in the playground if someone is using the BBQ.
- There does not appear other facilities such as table / bench / seats to compliment the BBQ to make it fully functional"
- "Eliminate the BBQ/picnic areas.
- Adding a BBQ/picnic area can result in more rubbish, abuse of the facilities and encouragement of pests like cocharoaches/rats.
- Being a local resident since 2010, I strongly disagree with building any BBQ/picnic facilities in this parkland.
- No BBQ please. There is a lot of rubbish after sporting events on the weekends. I am sure people will leave a mess after BBQ.

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- No BBQ's, there's plenty of other areas in Ryde near the river that would be better suited to having BBQ's.
- An extra BBQ at the other picnic shelter
- A BBQ in McCauley Park
- No BBQs. Areas will get messy and rubbish left behind.
- No BBQs. Dramatically changes the atmosphere of the park. Increase in noise, increased maintenance, flies mould etc.
- People can bring their own food to the park, just not cook at the park
- No BBQ – changes the dynamic of the park
- Don't add picnic and BBQ areas.
- I do not think we need a BBQ and proposed BBQ is too close to playground area. If there is a group using BBQ then other families may not feel comfortable to have their kids play at the playground area
- "Keep the integrity and feel of the park. Its fine to improve it but not over-crowd Gannan park. Any new shelters or seating have to be kept well away from residents fences. One Picnic shelter is sufficient and do a picnic shelter in Mcauley Park.

**Dogs:**

- No doogy bag stands- if you're going to bring a dog bring a bag. Otherwise why don't we have nappy bag stands too.. or bird food stands etc..."
- Off leash dog area (fenced)
- Needs a dog friendly area
- Absolutely must have dog poo disposal / bags as the amount of poo left on the grass is excessive. Need more signs and fines / policing of people who walk away after their dog has defecated.

**Cricket nets:**

- Where are the cricket nets? Why wouldn't council keep these for the locals?
- Please leave the cricket nets and cricket pitch. It's needed in the area badly.
- Leave the cricket pitch and net along with baseball
- "The draft masterplan has no cricket pitch which is terrible.
- Gannan is a fantastic cricket field and training field. Baseball has also been removed which is a total loss for the community. "

**Exercise equipment:**

- I don't think the exercise equipment is necessary. Exercise needs are so unique to each person and these pieces of equipment are often irrelevant.
- Ryde is lacking in outdoor exercise equipment for adults. Children have playgrounds and scooter paths. Adults need help to fight obesity epidemic.
- Fitness equipment x3
- Fitness area for adults where playground is going to be extended.

**Playground:**

- I like the idea of a fenced playground area so that parents of children with disabilities can relax without always worrying about them running away. Also keeps children separate from dogs that enjoy the space there.
- Second, smaller set of play equipment up near Boyce Rd
- Playground area could have fences for extra protection.
- Livvy's Place (Quarry Rd) is a good example of a playground

**Other:**

- Please consider the impact it has on Buna street residents hygiene, safety, noise control.  
We have noticed a lot more children on bikes/scooters in our street, unsupervised and running across our driveways as the park is adjacent to the street, it has a false sense of safety and they are not aware it is a road.  
More and more now as I exit my driveway onto Buna street I have to be very careful a child is not going to ride across my driveway thinking it's safe enough, as it's near the park, and they can free roam and criss cross all up and down the street, without being aware of cars exiting their driveways.  
With improvements to the park, we can expect a lot more traffic and children. If you have a scooter track, that can encourage more children to our street and from a safety perspective, puts our Buna street residents under more pressure to watch out. I do not want an accident or casualty to happen in our street.

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**Access:**

- Safer pedestrian access across Quarry Rd with the installation of a new pedestrian crossing
- Footpaths being upgraded along quarry rd and connecting quarry rd to the park. It would be hard for my kids to ride their scooters along the footpath to the park (we live about 600m from the park).
- Cycleway connections to the park
- Improved pedestrian access to the park
- There is no footpath on Green Avenue – Footpath on Boyce is too narrow.
- Parking:
- More parking room for the increasing population
- Improved car parking

**Dog off-leash area:**

- Formalising a dog leash free area?
- location of dog waste bins
- Doggie bags (x4)
- Dog bins are missing (x2)
- Myself and some of the other members of the local street would like to add a dog area in the mccauley area.
- "Fenced Off leash dog area must be included !!!!!
- A dog off leash time allocation.
- A dog-friendly park that is fenced with obstacles and water for dogs.
- Timed dog off leash area.
- Water for dogs
- Needs a drinking fountain for dogs
- Dog bags and bin (x2)
- Dog bags
- Leash free area

**Cricket nets:**

- Make sure the cricket nets remain
- Cricket nets
- Cricket nets left there and please leave the cricket pitch
- Keeping cricket pitch
- "What is the plan for the cricket nets? We would like more!
- Cricket nets, pitch and baseball area
- Cricket nets and pitch
- Cricket pitch and training facilities
- Where did the cricket nets go! They are used every day.
- Cricket nets are fantastic and should be preserved
- Current Cricket Nets to be retained
- Why doesn't it have the cricket nets and pitch there - why would they be removed from one of the best cricket grounds in our area that is lucky enough not to be ruined by soccer every winter

**Lighting:**

- some low level dim lighting of the access paths that are on slopes (for safety of people using them at night )
- Street lighting at night Boyce street
- Path lights
- Lights for the path (x2) for safety during the night.
- Lighting the site – be set on timers to ensure efficiency measures occur, LED or better to minimise waste and ensure light spill does not enter into the bushland/ planted areas to ensure fauna can safely inhabit as per the Plan outcome to 'encourage fauna and habitat on the site'.

**General:**

- no consideration for residents
- You havent mentioned that you are putting lights and I think that is quite a significant item to omit
- Very comprehensive
- Cant think of anything

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- Not that we can think of
- no
- No
- Nothing
- With limited open space, why is Gannon being singled out and not getting great use of the field for sporting groups
- I think we need to look at the needs of the residents as well as forcing all the other ideas onto the park.
- Copy what has been done at Quarry and Bridge Rd park. What they have done there is nice.

**Sustainability:**

- Solar for amenities block and picnic shelters
- Rainwater tanks for capturing water and flushing
- it may be a good opportunity to have some interpretive signage with the rain garden installation to remind the community that residential living has an impact on the catchment for Lane Cove river.

**Other:**

- As well as potential water features near the playarea
- perhaps a small area for people to do exercise/ yoga
- Small cafe/coffee hut for weekend/charity use
- Better sports utilisation - add use for small format soccer fields during winter - we don't have enough 3/4 size fields in the area"
- , amenities block to include cafe or canteen,
- Security – CCTV, regular security patrols with rangers. Traffic controls on event days.
- CCTV cameras in back corner of the park
- Duplicate the amenities block at the other end of the park.
- A rubbish bin at the end of the park – near the drainage area
- Utilise the existing kiosk in the amenities block
- Deter anti social behaviour Add CCTVMore bins – one at every entrance to the park
- Needs more bins
- A water fountain
- Some respondents would like to see movies in the park and other kids and adults activities (x4)
- Possibly an area to gather for weddings.
- Need to investigate options to increase parking provisions due to increased usage
- - as long as the people who are considering what is needed, treat it as a park in their area and not being uncaring because live in a suburb nowhere near the park.
- It would be great to have some artistic sculptures and other scenic objects around the park
- No, keep up the good work - next please desperately upgrade the park between Kells road and abaroo Road. It is the only park I can access easily that I can stay on footpaths for most of the journey.
- "Good consultation process ... as long as it is not just a process for minimal change. The community wants to see better usability of the parks in our area and Ryde council is one of the leaders in this. Gannon park needs better facilities and more varied usability but this should not be made so minimal so it is just reserved as the exclusive domain for casual use by its direct neighbours
- spending a lot of money on ammenities but not actually really increasing the parks use by adding better and more varied (like fenced off-leash dog area and football) would be a waste of money"
- Keep cost to a minimum

**Landscaping:**

- It would be good to see more trees on Buna Street
- Possum & bird nesting boxes in the trees.
- More shaded areas
- Maybe increase some shade areas, can get very hot.
- Trees along Buna St

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**Exercise stations:**

- Some exercise stations for adults would be very good as there are none in the near vicinity.
- Ryde is lacking in outdoor exercise equipment for adults. Children have playgrounds and scooter paths. Adults need help to fight obesity epidemic.
- Some exercise equipment would be good too"
- "A workout area - like in Bondi beach. A simple workout facility can help local residents have a healthier lifestyle.
- Exercise stations
- Exercise equipment x3
- Outdoor fitness equipment (x2)
- Fitness equipment similar to what is at ELS Hall park – a mix of static and dynamic.
- Fitness equipment (chin up bars, push things, basic equipment)
- Outdoor exercise stations were suggested in the community consultation stage but have been omitted from the draft masterplan.
- In the whole of Ryde Council there are only one set, located in Kent Road. There are lots of playgrounds for children and scooter parks but nothing for adults.
- With Australia's current obesity epidemic what is the councils rationale for not providing free exercise equipment for it's residents?
- Ryde is lacking in outdoor exercise equipment for adults. Children have playgrounds and scooter paths. Adults need help to fight obesity epidemic.
- Perhaps consider installing simple workout equipments at that space instead? (like that at Bondi) This should go well with the expanded playground area."

**Playground:**

- Possibly some equipment for kids down the other end of the park
- Playground equipment in McCauley Park for 10-15yr olds
- Water feature or splash park for the kids to play in
- Needs a slippery dip.
- I love the idea of a slippery dip that takes advantage of the slope in the park and adds adventure and excitement for older children.

**Baseball:**

- Upgrades to the baseball field, nets and dugouts.
- Baseball field



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Anonymous letter distributed to residents

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**ATTENTION: YOUR STREET WILL BECOME A CAR PARK**

Dear Resident

Ryde Council has created a draft masterplan for Gannan Park. This draft masterplan is considering installing two floodlight soccer fields at Gannan Park. For you this will mean increased levels of noise around the park late into the night and many cars parked in your street. To stop this you need to raise your objection by 4:30pm Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May to Ryde Council.

You can object by writing to council or emailing them at [sportandrec@ryde.nsw.gov.au](mailto:sportandrec@ryde.nsw.gov.au) or by attending one of the drop in sessions at the park on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May (11:30am to 1:30pm) or Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May (3:30pm to 5:30pm).



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Petition submitted to Council

19<sup>th</sup> May 2018

To :Ryde City Council  
Sports & Recreation

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Gannan Park - Floodlights, Noise, Parking & Traffic Chaos

We, the undersigned, residents of Buna Court/Street and Minga Street, Ryde, have recently come to know about Ryde Council's intentions to boost the use of the Gannan Park sports & Recreation facility to allow more use of the park playgrounds which will involve the installation of strong & bright lighting towers to allow the use of the grounds until late hours.

As much as we love to see the facility use being boosted, yet we have some concerns which we like to bring to your notice to safeguard the comfort of residents around the said facility.

Floodlights and very bright lighting to the late hours of the night are very annoying and discomforting to all those homes who will be directly or indirectly under those lights. The noise that will be caused to the late hours of the night will cause lifestyle changes to many residents.

As for parking and traffic we know it will be chaotic as we do experience now on weekends where cars park on both sides of these narrow streets making it hard for traffic to flow in both directions. Imagine that you have to find a spot to stop in order to allow a vehicle coming in the opposite direction from the far end of the street! The entrance from Quarry Road to Buna and Minga streets, as well as others, becomes impossible to get in and out and dangerous for cars that can stop traffic on Quarry Road as they try to enter these clogged side streets. The current parking facilities of Gannan Park are not enough to cater to visitors as it is now, let alone when more usage is put to the Park.

As such, we the residents of the streets adjoining Gannan Park raise our objection to boosting the use of the playgrounds with Floodlight towers, Noise, Parking problems and traffic gridlock and the first thing that Ryde Council needs to address is Parking and Traffic and maybe allow parking only on one side of the entrance to each of these streets. As for usage of the playgrounds, Ryde Council should not allow usage past 09.00PM where lighting also has to be switched off thus allowing also to cut the noise. Council has to come up with more parking area than currently existing.

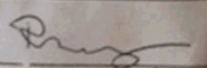

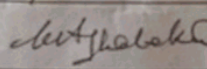

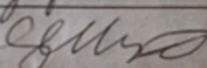
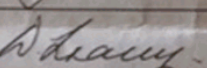
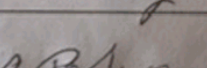
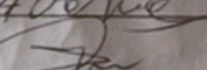
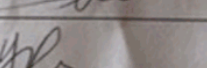
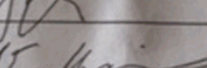
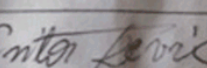
Hoping that Ryde Council take our objection and comments into consideration,

We remain,

Residents of Buna Street and Minga Street, Ryde  
(As signed on the back of this page)

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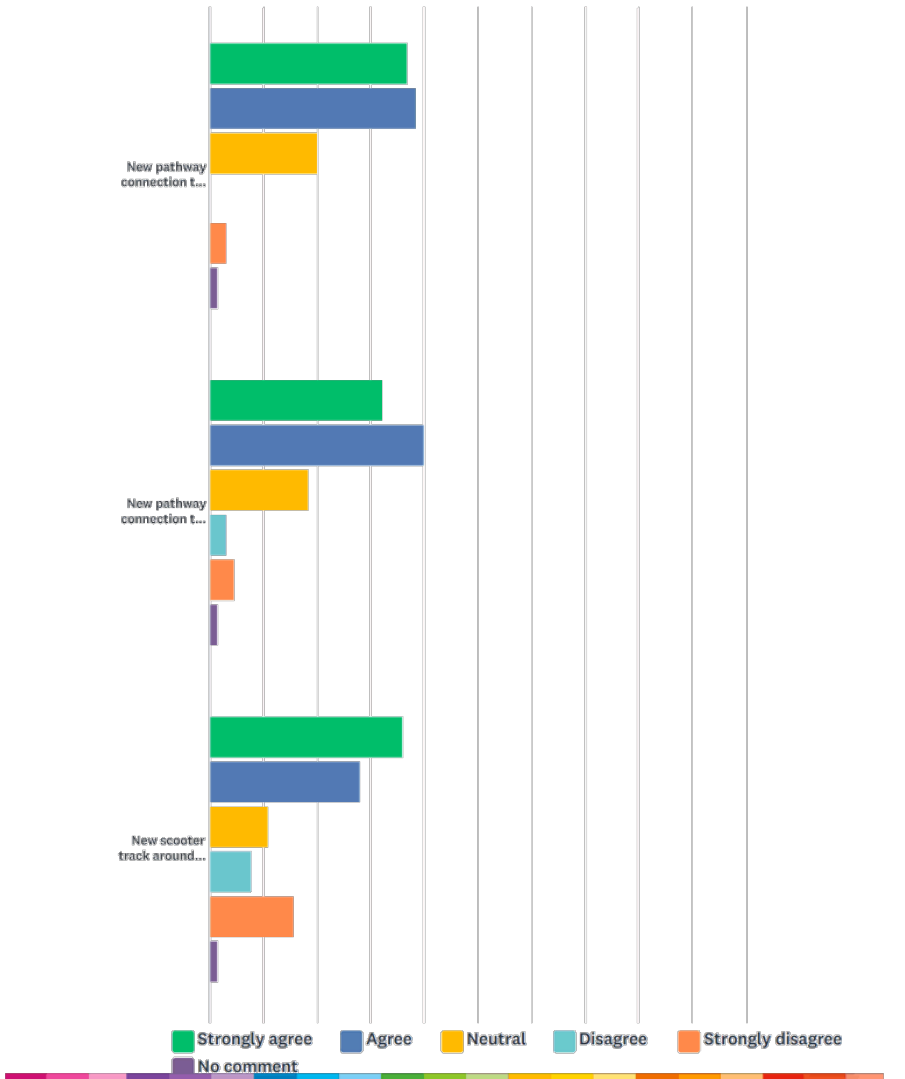
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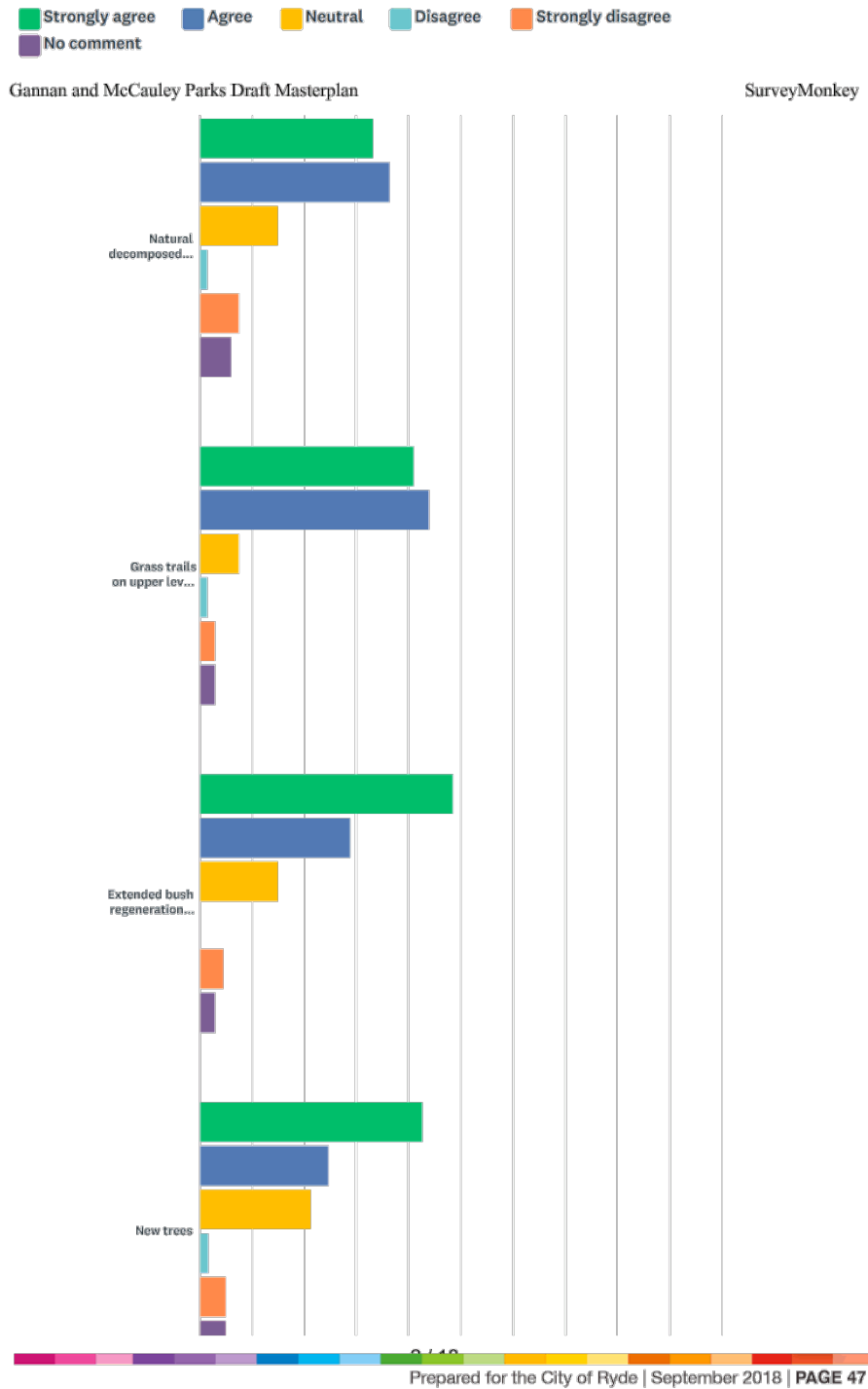
Q1 The draft masterplan recommends some new or changed elements for the parks. Do you agree or disagree with these elements of the masterplan: (Strongly agree, agree, neutral, disagree, strongly disagree and no comment)

Answered: 66 Skipped: 0



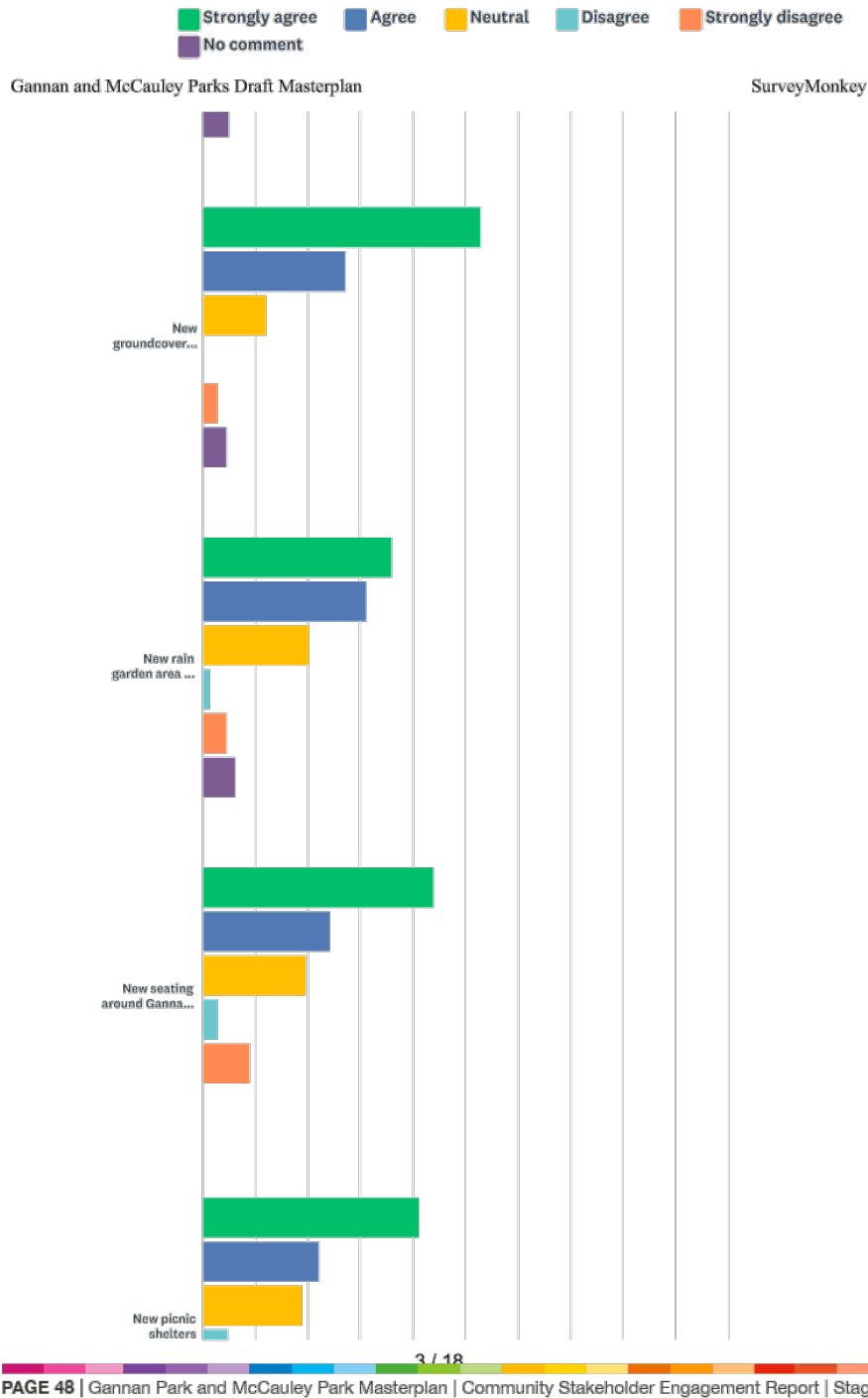
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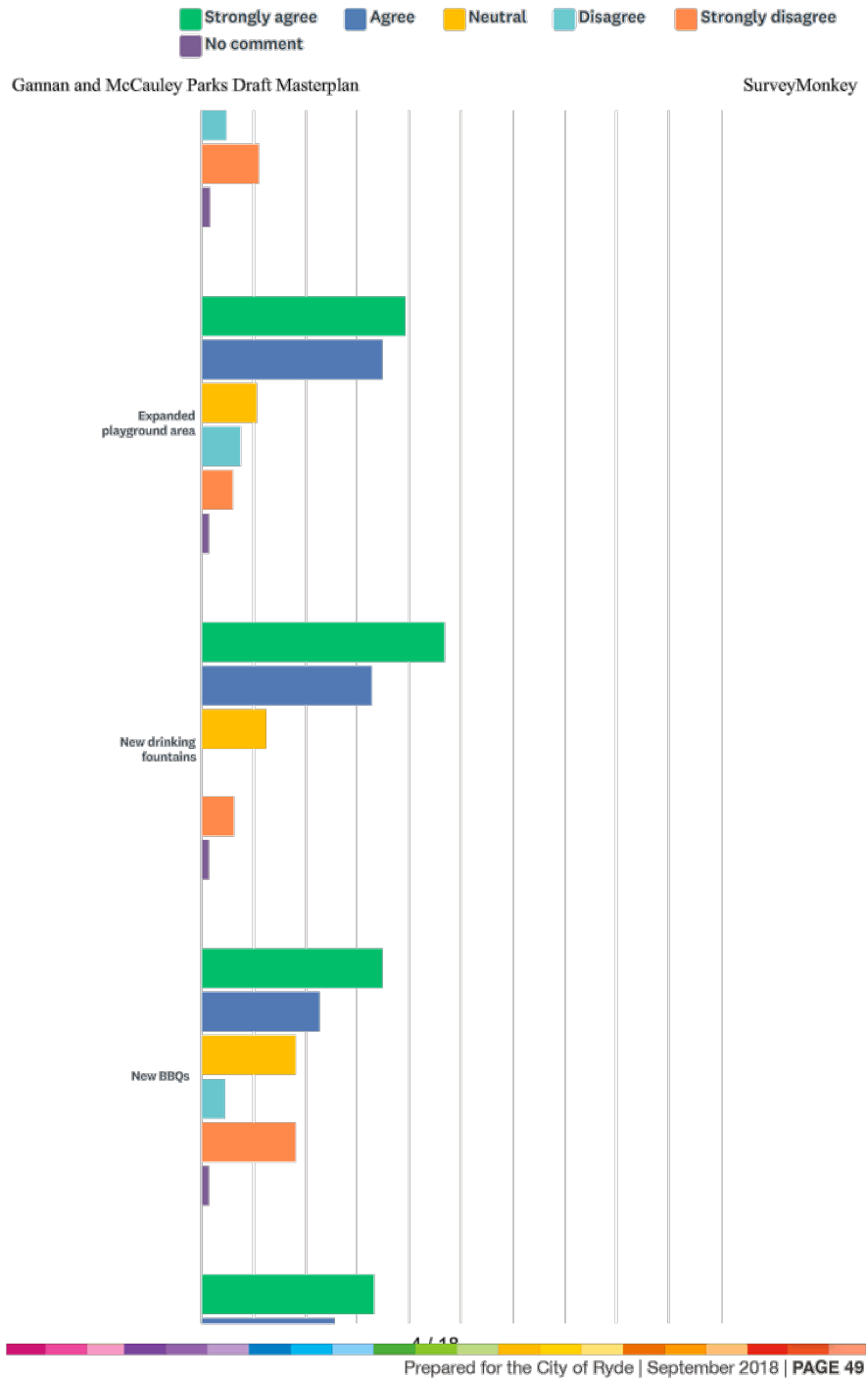
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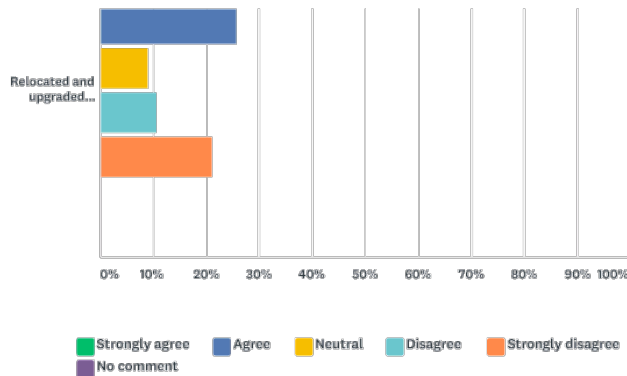
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	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	NO COMMENT	TOTAL
New pathway connection to Boyce St	36.92% 24	38.46% 25	20.00% 13	0.00% 0	3.08% 2	1.54% 1	65
New pathway connection to Buna St	32.31% 21	40.00% 26	18.46% 12	3.08% 2	4.62% 3	1.54% 1	65
New scooter track around Gannan Park	35.94% 23	28.13% 18	10.94% 7	7.81% 5	15.63% 10	1.56% 1	64
Natural decomposed granite path around embankment	33.33% 22	36.36% 24	15.15% 10	1.52% 1	7.58% 5	6.06% 4	66
Grass trails on upper levels of embankment	40.91% 27	43.94% 29	7.58% 5	1.52% 1	3.03% 2	3.03% 2	66
Extended bush regeneration area in Gannan Park	48.48% 32	28.79% 19	15.15% 10	0.00% 0	4.55% 3	3.03% 2	66
New trees	42.62% 26	24.59% 15	21.31% 13	1.64% 1	4.92% 3	4.92% 3	61
New groundcover plants on steep slopes	53.03% 35	27.27% 18	12.12% 8	0.00% 0	3.03% 2	4.55% 3	66
New rain garden area in McCauley Park	35.94% 23	31.25% 20	20.31% 13	1.56% 1	4.69% 3	6.25% 4	64
New seating around Gannan Park	43.94% 29	24.24% 16	19.70% 13	3.03% 2	9.09% 6	0.00% 0	66
New picnic shelters	41.27% 26	22.22% 14	19.05% 12	4.76% 3	11.11% 7	1.59% 1	63
Expanded playground area	39.39% 26	34.85% 23	10.61% 7	7.58% 5	6.06% 4	1.52% 1	66
New drinking fountains	46.88% 30	32.81% 21	12.50% 8	0.00% 0	6.25% 4	1.56% 1	64
New BBQs	34.85% 23	22.73% 15	18.18% 12	4.55% 3	18.18% 12	1.52% 1	66
Relocated and upgraded amenities building	33.33% 22	25.76% 17	9.09% 6	10.61% 7	21.21% 14	0.00% 0	66

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**Q2 What is your favourite element of the draft masterplan and why?**

Answered: 62 Skipped: 4

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	BBQ areas and Scooter park as this would mean we could have family time at the park more regularly	6/8/2018 1:06 PM
2	The two soccer fields as we can use the fields to allow kids to play and get fitter. Additionally to the increasing population and units being built more sporting fields are required.	6/8/2018 2:42 PM
3	planting out the slopes to provide opportunity for nature and bushland connections whilst allowing community a healthy, active space.	6/1/2018 12:35 PM
4	Bush regeneration much needed	5/27/2018 6:28 PM
5	The proposal to install 2 new soccer fields, lighting and amenities. North Ryde Soccer Club and other club in the area are struggling with space for weekend games, weekday training and preseason trial games. Clubs are competing with each other for training space during the week and for preseason activities. Our club is growing with over 500 members now and will continue to grow as units are constructed in the North Ryde area. There has been talk of upgrading Magadala oval and the RSL oval but no progress has been seen at these locations and hence we would support any proposal to increase the number of grounds and facilities in the area.	5/25/2018 5:14 PM
6	the Landscaping and pathways	5/25/2018 8:01 AM
7	new pathways and planting	5/24/2018 8:59 PM
8	New trees and rain garden	5/24/2018 7:53 PM
9	The proposal to establish two new football fields with lighting would greatly assist the Association in scheduling weekend matches for clubs in the Ryde Area. At the moment, there is a severe shortage of fields which will only get worse with continued growth in the local population and this has led to the rapid degradation of the fields we do use. In the Ryde area this year we have already been forced to discontinue use of 4 fields due to their poor condition, which only adds to the load on the remaining fields	5/24/2018 1:30 PM
10	Improved amenities, extra pathways and trees	5/23/2018 10:00 AM
11	none	5/22/2018 2:47 PM
12	Improved playground and scooter track	5/21/2018 7:31 AM
13	Fixing up the embankments, currently looked raggedy and unloved	5/20/2018 3:54 PM
14	Revitalising the embankments that have been neglected for so long.	5/20/2018 3:42 PM
15	More trees	5/17/2018 8:39 PM
16	New trees for shade and seating	5/17/2018 5:53 PM
17	Retains a cricket field and baseball field use for winter ; useage likely to be commensurate with available parking not overloading surrounding streets; gives a good surface for children and older folk with motorised chair vehicles to be active.	5/7/2018 9:38 PM
18	Maintain the large sports field and not convert it to soccer field	5/7/2018 11:58 AM
19	Expanded playground equipment with jungle-gym and slides + scooter/bike track as what was put in 2 years ago was significantly inferior to what was communicated. And what the site should have, given the other amenities at the site (carpark + toilets) when comparing to other playgrounds / locations.	5/6/2018 8:34 PM
20	Shelter and playground extension area - my kids get bored quickly at the playground there. We would love to be able to have a bbq with friends there with an extended playground and amenities closer to the ground is really helpful too. The water fountain is super helpful for exercise and kids playing.	5/6/2018 1:17 PM
21	increased capacity for natural area plantings and bushland restoration	5/6/2018 8:29 AM
22	The creative thinking behind it all	5/5/2018 8:11 PM
23	Grass trails on upper embankment	5/5/2018 6:44 PM
24	2112	5/3/2018 9:34 PM

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25	General just shows commitment to playing areas	5/2/2018 5:58 AM
26	The expanded equipment	5/1/2018 9:49 PM
27	Path connection to Boyce St. Easier access for people coming from that side of the park	5/1/2018 9:03 PM
28	None	5/1/2018 4:16 PM
29	Keeping the cricket pitch and cricket nets More trees as there is a lack of shade	5/1/2018 4:15 PM
30	Scooter track around the whole park as it will give children more things to do at the park, especially for children whose siblings are doing sport training	4/30/2018 7:36 PM
31	More drinking fountains located around due to the size of the park.	4/29/2018 7:01 PM
32	Keeping the cricket nets and fields	4/29/2018 4:00 PM
33	The drainage but it needs to be well thought out and properly executed. The fields become unplayable at the slightest rain in it's current state.	4/29/2018 2:19 PM
34	Playground and BBQ gives more reason to visit	4/28/2018 7:21 PM
35	BBQs	4/27/2018 6:17 PM
36	More trees	4/26/2018 10:43 AM
37	The new location of the building is much better in the park. The pathways look like they will provide much better access and good opportunities for walking and practicing riding bikes. The additional planting will look a lot nicer and the trees will be good for shade	4/24/2018 10:33 AM
38	Scooter path. It allows another use of the space that both runners and kids can enjoy.	4/20/2018 9:34 PM
39	I like the additional care for plants and bush	4/19/2018 5:57 PM
40	None leave the cricket pitch and nets in place	4/17/2018 4:59 AM
41	The grass trails and ground cover on the slopes. It will be perfect for our use of the site as a cross country venue for school use	4/16/2018 1:54 PM
42	Improve drainage to increase use	4/16/2018 11:27 AM
43	More trees, the more the better.	4/14/2018 3:10 PM
44	Improved pathways to better facilitate circumnavigation of the park	4/14/2018 8:53 AM
45	Preservation of the oval	4/13/2018 8:55 PM
46	more trees and bush. So many trees lost recently. Also an opportunity for young children to learn to ride bikes safely.	4/13/2018 3:58 PM
47	More trees and updated facilities	4/13/2018 3:06 PM
48	Vegetation initiatives. The reduction of vegetation in Sydney due to rampant development is of great concern. New trees etc create a natural cooling system and invite fauna into the area	4/13/2018 10:18 AM
49	Extending playground, and scooter path, because it improves the park usage for non sports groups	4/13/2018 9:49 AM
50	Grass trails	4/12/2018 8:42 PM
51	Maintain the large oval space so people can have their little corners for activities	4/12/2018 8:38 PM
52	Extending the playground and scooter track. Playground has limited equipment and needs and update and definitely a slide. Scooter path is great idea given how hilly Ryde area is for young kids trying to learn to ride.	4/12/2018 8:10 PM
53	New planting's of trees	4/12/2018 8:03 PM
54	Planting of more trees for shaded areas, upgrading of the walking tracks	4/12/2018 6:07 PM
55	Scooter path will be used and encourage walking as well	4/12/2018 1:21 PM
56	Upgraded amenities, scooter track and expanded playground (including slide running up hill embankment)	4/11/2018 9:31 PM
57	Scooter track. Upgraded play area. Having living in close proximity and having a young family and many families living in the area it's something that would be used to the fullest. It'll be nice to have something like that close.	4/11/2018 8:32 PM
58	The new trees and plants	4/11/2018 7:59 PM

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59	More trees, more bush regeneration. 'Gates aren't locked.' I've given up on that idea 2 years ago. I've lived here for over 39 years, would love to be able to sit down with someone who makes the decisions and controls the finances and go through everything.	4/11/2018 6:33 PM
60	Trees shade	4/11/2018 5:23 PM
61	Expanded playground area, it is too small for several children at a time	4/11/2018 1:39 PM
62	The Scooter track and BBQs.	4/11/2018 11:12 AM

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Q3 What would you change in the draft masterplan and why?

Answered: 55 Skipped: 11

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Limited use on weekends by sports clubs such as cricket and baseball as this reduces the usability by the general community of the flat oval area. Increase pedestrian safety to cross Quarry Rd to access park/oval	6/8/2018 1:06 PM
2	Nothing in particular, looks good	6/6/2018 2:42 PM
3	granite on embankment and grass trails. Add small shrubs on the slope which will give shade too	6/1/2018 12:35 PM
4	Moving amenities building. Waste of ratepayers money and team have not thought about safety aspects of moving this building closer to the playing area. Cricket balls may hit building and persons using the building, it is already unsafe to walk around the park when cricket games in progress. Not enough room for cricket pitch and amenities block in the space available.	5/27/2018 6:28 PM
5	the proposed soccer fields could be designs to cater for both adult and mini soccer programs	5/25/2018 5:14 PM
6	I would forget about locating soccer there it draws far more crowds from within Ryde has a far more significant impact on the turf, if a one pitch was synthetic it would lessen the impact but increase use in an area that is confined, there is simply not enough parking.	5/25/2018 8:01 AM
7	Absolutely no floodlights or soccer fields	5/24/2018 7:53 PM
8	We are uncertain about the impact of moving baseball to ELS Hall 2 and the implications this has for the local club Ryde Panthers. This club established the field many years ago and has contributed significantly to the amenities there, and we would not be in favour of losing access to the field.	5/24/2018 1:30 PM
9	No soccer fields. Too much damage caused to grass area (high impact). Leave as cricket and baseball. Cricket pitch can still be used in shoulder and off season if required	5/23/2018 10:00 AM
10	destroy current plan	5/22/2018 2:47 PM
11	More parking facilities	5/21/2018 7:31 AM
12	NO BBQs!!!!!! Mess, increased out of area visitors who do not care about the park. NIMBY. No dog off leash areas or indeed fenced off area either- but I have Buckley's for either!! No doogy bag stands- if you're going to bring a dog bring a bag. Otherwise why don't we have nappy bag stands too.. or bird food stands etc...	5/20/2018 3:54 PM
13	Absolutely No BBQs. Totally changes the use pattern of the Park. Noise levels, cleanliness, rubbish removal, vandalism all become worse when BBQs are installed in an area. What happens when there are games on and groups of say 20 people want to set up tents and have a BBQ. At very least the BBQ smells would put off the players on the field. Simple solution is if people want to have picnics, just BYO food. It doesn't need to be cooked on site.	5/20/2018 3:42 PM
14	Where are the cricket nets? Why wouldn't council keep these for the locals?	5/17/2018 8:39 PM
15	Please leave the cricket nets and cricket pitch. It's needed in the area badly.	5/17/2018 5:53 PM
16	Expand tree plantings on the terraced areas to fill some of the gaps created by damage to earlier plantings	5/7/2018 9:38 PM
17	The proposed new amenity site takes up precious park space. The amenity building is seldom used except for the toilet. I do not think moving it to the proposed location will increase its use. Currently baseball players have adequate seating and shelters behind the net and people who attend cricket events bring portable tents and seats and they prefer sitting around the field. I do not think they need the amenity building to put their equipments	5/7/2018 11:58 AM
18	Don't move the toilet /amenities block. Upgrade at current location where it is by carpark and out of line of site. It will be an eye-sore right on edge of grass, constrain playground area, and un-hygenic being right beside proposed BBQ / Shelter.	5/6/2018 8:34 PM
19	I don't think the exercise equipment is necessary. Exercise needs are so unique to each person and these pieces of equipment are often irrelevant.	5/6/2018 1:17 PM
20	ensure that all the plants going in to the area are not only native plants but are endemic to the area and appropriate for the type of community in that area	5/6/2018 8:29 AM

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21	nothing	5/5/2018 8:11 PM
22	The Pathway around the park, picnic shelter and seating. You are trying to put too much into a small suburban park that is used for sport and exercise and running with dogs. North Ryde Common would be ideal for bike tracks, skate park and dog runs Gannon Park is too small an area to be attempting to put a scooter track and seating outside residents fences.	5/5/2018 6:44 PM
23	Emphasise sports use. Maintain cricket pitch and improve nets (especially run up areas). Put in two small sided junior soccer pitches with goals	5/2/2018 5:58 AM
24	N/a	5/1/2018 9:49 PM
25	Ryde is lacking in outdoor exercise equipment for adults. Children have playgrounds and scooter paths. Adults need help to fight obesity epidemic.	5/1/2018 4:16 PM
26	No soccer pitches as it destroys the grass for summer and cricket. Too many ovals in Ryde are in such bad condition by the time cricket season comes around which isnt fare to cricket clubs who pay the same rates to use the grounds	5/1/2018 4:15 PM
27	Happy with the draft plan	4/30/2018 7:36 PM
28	Not needing new buildings	4/29/2018 4:00 PM
29	Seating should be sport appropriate i.e. viewing areas for cricket and baseball. The baseball fences and dugouts could also be upgraded and extended.	4/29/2018 2:19 PM
30	Why spend a lot of money moving the amenities building?	4/27/2018 6:17 PM
31	Stop new development. We like the park as it is. People can picnic at Blenheim Park or Quarry Road Park. The park is primarily used for sports and dog owners. We would rather you spend the money on mowing the parks you already have e.g. Nerang St park. Protect the cricket nets and baseball ground	4/26/2018 10:43 AM
32	I would like to see more street tree planting to Buna Street to provide shade for parking and walking. Also some good entry signs would be nice so you can see where the park is	4/24/2018 10:33 AM
33	No changes needed.	4/20/2018 9:34 PM
34	I don't think a scooter track is needed-will become too crowded	4/19/2018 5:57 PM
35	Leave the cricket pitch and net along with baseball	4/17/2018 4:59 AM
36	The draft masterplan has no cricket pitch which is terrible. Gannan is a fantastic cricket field and training field. Baseball has also been removed which is a total loss for the community.	4/16/2018 6:20 PM
37	The scooter path. A concrete path around the perimeter seems to be at odds with the natural elements in the plan - the rain garden, new tree plantings etc	4/16/2018 1:54 PM
38	Probably prioritise drainage over other aspects, good as they are	4/16/2018 11:27 AM
39	Off leash dog area (fenced)	4/14/2018 3:10 PM
40	Better maintenance of McCauley park is required - it is often too overgrown .. the rain garden sounds like it will be more overgrown area Reduce some of the tree screening of the park from the roads - this is an important security issue Add a granite path around one of the raised tiers on the bank in addition to one on field level	4/14/2018 8:53 AM
41	The BBQ seems out of place to the playground facility . I would feel uncomfortable to let my children play on their own in the playground if someone is using the BBQ. There does not appear other facilities such as table / bench / seats to compliment the BBQ to make it fully functional	4/13/2018 8:55 PM
42	I like the idea of a fenced playground area so that parents of children with disabilities can relax without always worrying about them running away. Also keeps children separate from dogs that enjoy the space there.	4/13/2018 3:58 PM
43	Maybe some more shade tables and seats so community can have picnics out of sun	4/13/2018 3:06 PM
44	Keep the amenities block where it is. No scooter track.	4/13/2018 10:18 AM
45	Reconfigure field for winter soccer use, with baseball moved the ELS Hall in winter.	4/13/2018 9:49 AM



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46	Eliminate the BBQ/picnic areas. There is a lot of rubbish left in Buna street Eg plastic/glass bottles, takeaway food bags. After any large sporting event or gatherings currently. This rubbish is not picked up by council quickly and left to the Buna street residents to clean up themselves in their own front yard. Adding a BBQ/picnic area can result in more rubbish, abuse of the facilities and encouragement of pests like cockroaches/rats. Being a local resident since 2010, I strongly disagree with building any BBQ/picnic facilities in this parkland. Extra seating in the park - currently at night there are groups of men that come to the park late at night to smoke dope or take drugs. These people have their highs in the park and our street residents had to call in police multiple times to investigate these people. They usually hang out in the current picnic area seating. I am unsure if extra seating will encourage more of these men to come as a hangout spot at night, and whether it will pose a risk to the neighbourhood safety.	4/12/2018 8:42 PM
47	No BBQ please. There is a lot of rubbish after sporting events on the weekends. I am sure people will leave a mess after BBQ.	4/12/2018 8:38 PM
48	Second, smaller set of play equipment up near Boyce Rd	4/12/2018 8:10 PM
49	The toilet block. Should NOT be so close to the picnic area. Yuk!	4/12/2018 8:03 PM
50	No BBQ's, there's plenty of other areas in Ryde near the river that would be better suited to having BBQ's.	4/12/2018 6:07 PM
51	Current location of toilets works well - proposal brings them too close to the useable park	4/12/2018 1:21 PM
52	See answer 2.	4/11/2018 6:33 PM
53	Do not add anything new just maintain existing	4/11/2018 5:23 PM
54	Playground area could have fences for extra protection.	4/11/2018 1:39 PM
55	Nothing	4/11/2018 11:12 AM

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**Q4 Is there anything missing from the draft masterplan?**

Answered: 49 Skipped: 17

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Safer pedestrian access across Quarry Rd with the installation of a new pedestrian crossing	6/8/2018 1:06 PM
2	More parking room for the increasing population	6/6/2018 2:42 PM
3	Safety aspects of moving amenities block closer to playing field.	5/27/2018 6:28 PM
4	Formalising a dog leash free area?	5/25/2018 8:01 AM
5	No	5/24/2018 7:53 PM
6	Make sure the cricket nets remain	5/23/2018 10:00 AM
7	no consideration for residents	5/22/2018 2:47 PM
8	You havent mentioned that you are putting lights and I think that is quite a significant item to omit	5/21/2018 7:31 AM
9	Very comprehensive	5/20/2018 3:54 PM
10	Additional covered tables, in lieu of relocating the amenities building.	5/20/2018 3:42 PM
11	Cricket nets	5/17/2018 8:39 PM
12	Cricket nets left there and please leave the cricket pitch	5/17/2018 5:53 PM
13	some low level dim lighting of the access paths that are on slopes (for safety of people using them at night )	5/7/2018 9:38 PM
14	perhaps a small area for people to do exercise/ yoga	5/7/2018 11:58 AM
15	Footpaths being upgraded along quarry rd and connecting quarry rd to the park. It would be hard for my kids to ride their scooters along the footpath to the park (we live about 600m from the park).	5/6/2018 1:17 PM
16	location of dog waste bins	5/6/2018 8:29 AM
17	Cant think of anything	5/5/2018 8:11 PM
18	See 3	5/2/2018 5:58 AM
19	Myself and some of the other members of the local street would like to add a dog area in the mccauley are. As well as potential water features near the playarea	5/1/2018 9:49 PM
20	Some excercise stations for adults would be very good as there are none in the near vicinity.	5/1/2018 9:03 PM
21	Ryde is lacking in outdoor exercise equipment for adults. Children have playgrounds and scooter paths. Adults need help to fight obesity epidemic.	5/1/2018 4:16 PM
22	Not that we can think of	5/1/2018 4:15 PM
23	Possibly some equipment for kids down the other end of the park	4/30/2018 7:36 PM
24	Keeping cricket pitch	4/29/2018 4:00 PM
25	Upgrades to the baseball field, nets and dugouts.	4/29/2018 2:19 PM
26	What is the plan for the cricket nets? We would like more! Some exercise equipment would be good too	4/27/2018 6:17 PM
27	Cricket nets, pitch and baseball area	4/26/2018 10:43 AM
28	It would be good to see more trees on Buna Street	4/24/2018 10:33 AM
29	Small cafe/coffee hut for weekend/charity use	4/20/2018 9:34 PM
30	no	4/19/2018 5:57 PM
31	Cricket nets and pitch	4/17/2018 4:59 AM
32	Baseball field, Cricket pitch and training facilities.	4/16/2018 6:20 PM
33	Improved car parking	4/16/2018 1:54 PM
34	Spectator coverage	4/16/2018 11:27 AM

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35	Possum & bird nesting boxes in the trees.	4/14/2018 3:10 PM
36	Fenced Off leash dog area must be included !!!!! Better sports utilisation - add use for small format soccer fields during winter - we don't have enough 3/4 size fields in the area	4/14/2018 8:53 AM
37	I love the idea of a slippery dip that takes advantage of the slope in the park and adds adventure and excitement for older children.	4/13/2018 3:58 PM
38	More shaded areas	4/13/2018 3:06 PM
39	No	4/13/2018 10:18 AM
40	With limited open space, why is Gannan being singled out and not getting great use of the field for sporting groups	4/13/2018 9:49 AM
41	A workout area - like in Bondi beach. A simple workout facility can help local residents have a healthier lifestyle.	4/12/2018 8:42 PM
42	As in Q3	4/12/2018 8:10 PM
43	Where did the cricket nets go! They are used every day.	4/12/2018 8:03 PM
44	Maybe increase some shade areas, can get very hot.	4/12/2018 6:07 PM
45	Cricket nets are fantastic and should be preserved	4/12/2018 1:21 PM
46	Exercise stations, amenities block to include cafe or canteen,	4/11/2018 9:31 PM
47	I think we need to look at the needs of the residents as well as forcing all the other ideas onto the park.	4/11/2018 6:33 PM
48	Street lighting at night Boyce street	4/11/2018 5:23 PM
49	Nothing	4/11/2018 11:12 AM

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Gannan and McCauley Parks Draft Masterplan

SurveyMonkey

**Q5 Do you have any other comments about the draft masterplan?**

Answered: 51 Skipped: 15

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	No	6/8/2018 1:06 PM
2	More parking room for the increasing population	6/6/2018 2:42 PM
3	it looks good.	6/1/2018 12:35 PM
4	Please do not move amenities block. Shop never been used while I have been using park 15 years. Players bring their own drinks (usually beer) council would have to have liquor licence to provide what the players want.	5/27/2018 6:28 PM
5	In relation to the proposed changes to Gannan Park: Ryde Eastwood Hawks Touch Association Inc. would be very interested in using the fields in the winter if there were two floodlit rugby/soccer sized fields available. Our association has for a number of years been keen to increase the opportunity for our members who live within the Ryde Council area to play their sport over the entire year rather than just in the summer. By enabling us to conduct a winter competition Ryde Council would be further enhancing the benefits that the residents of Ryde Council are already experiencing through playing in our summer competition which is conducted at Morrison Bay Park. Touch football is a sport that can be played all year round and is a sport which brings together a range of benefits for the participants including but not limited to increased physical fitness and improved wellbeing. Touch Football is a thrilling sport that allows people of all walks of life to achieve their goals; whether that is the thrill of challenging oneself to compete at their best, the thrill of a fast, skilful and exhilarating sport, the thrill of meeting new people or of being a part of something that can span a lifetime. Touch Football is an inclusive sport which anyone and everyone can play, no matter age, gender, experience or ability. Touch Football also caters for persons who may suffer from a disability or some form of impairment. The inclusive nature of Touch Football ensures there is a place on the field for everyone. Touch Football creates a social environment which few sports can rival. Playing with friends, family, even total strangers is a significant part of the game. Men and women can play together in the same side, just as parents can play with their children. The Touch Football family spreads far and wide, it only takes a game or two to realise how special the sport is and how welcoming and considerate its people are of one another. Touch Football is a sport which for generations has involved families at all stages in life. It provides the opportunity for everyone in the family to be involved and even play together in weekly competitions. Mums and Dads can play with their sons and daughters, with even grandparents and grandchildren running around together in park competitions across the country. Touch Football has a number of inherent mental and physical benefits, which can improve the longevity of a person's life. Touch Footballers are constantly on the move, walking, running, jumping, stepping and everything in between. The fast paced nature of the sport ensures participants are always getting a workout no matter what they are doing. If Ryde Eastwood Hawks Touch Association was given the opportunity to use the fields during the winter then we would be only too happy to work with our National and State bodies to try to arrange a grant to assist in the provision of lighting for the fields. If Ryde Council would care to talk to us about our proposal please contact Paul Wines (Secretary) on 0407 564 442.	5/25/2018 9:35 AM
6	I think its an excellent draft.	5/25/2018 8:01 AM
7	I would not like soccer to move to gannan from els hall 2 as the impact on residents. Soccer is a high impact sport. Maybe AFL	5/24/2018 8:59 PM
8	No floodlights or soccer fields	5/24/2018 7:53 PM
9	Currently a very good amenity for cricket and baseball. Please leave for these sports. Enhance the amenities and surrounds by all means, but no floodlights	5/23/2018 10:00 AM
10	objection sent to council	5/22/2018 2:47 PM
11	There will be a terrible parking issue in the surrounding seats	5/21/2018 7:31 AM
12	- as long as the people who are considering what is needed, treat it as a park in their area and not being uncaring because live in a suburb nowhere near the park.	5/20/2018 3:54 PM

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13	Do not relocate the amenities building, just upgrade it. It's a huge cost for little benefit, actually make things worse. It would separate the kids' playground from the sports fields, creating child safety concerns from lack of view. Not keen on the scooter track. A huge appeal for the Park is the vast expanse that it has. It feels natural though in a metropolitan area. Putting a boundary around it (a concrete scooter path) limits the vast scale of the Park, and creates an unpleasant sense of restriction. This goes against the main purpose of the Park for so many, where they can be surrounded by a piece of nature, away from the busy Sydney life.	5/20/2018 3:42 PM
14	This oval is one of the best cricket grounds - please don't ruin it with soccer fields and taking away the pitch and nets	5/17/2018 8:39 PM
15	Why doesn't it have the cricket nets and pitch there - why would they be removed from one of the best cricket grounds in our area that is lucky enough not to be ruined by soccer every winter	5/17/2018 5:53 PM
16	The boxed interpretation of the community consultation accords with the feelings of local residents : I Strongly oppose night soccer lighting and creation of 2 soccer fields in the space; high usage , overlapping crowds , field degradation and marginal drainage are all reasons to oppose that ; Crowd attracting sports are best played in large well serviced venues with adequate parking and train service nearby.	5/7/2018 9:38 PM
17	I do not think we need a BBQ and proposed BBQ is too close to playground area. If there is a group using BBQ then other families may not feel comfortable to have their kids play at the playground area	5/7/2018 11:58 AM
18	Absolutely must have dog poo disposal / bags as the amount of poo left on the grass is excessive. Need more signs and fines / policing of people who walk away after their dog has defecated.	5/6/2018 8:34 PM
19	The scooter path also makes the park much more family friendly and would be appreciated. Allowing Northcross Christian School to continue using the Park is incredibly important to our community.	5/6/2018 1:17 PM
20	it may be a good opportunity to have some interpretive signage with the rain garden installation to remind the community that residential living has an impact on the catchment for Lane Cove river.	5/6/2018 8:29 AM
21	Nup	5/5/2018 8:11 PM
22	Keep the integrity and feel of the park. Its fine to improve it but not over-crowd Gannan park. Any new shelters or seating have to be kept well away from residents fences. One Picnic shelter is sufficient and do a picnic shelter in Mcauley Park. Also as far as the scooter track around the park is unnecessary in Gannan Park. Please do not spoil the look and feel of the Gannan park. North Ryde Common is a larger area and is not designated as a sports ground. The Common is a great spot for scooter tracks, picnic areas and BBQ areas. If you keep putting the amount of stuff you want to put in Gannan Park you are going to make it very claustrophobic. It has always been primarily a sports field. Please lets keep that the main priority. Maybe the council needs to not approve so many units in the area and approve more green space for the amount of units they are gramming in our area.	5/5/2018 6:44 PM
23	It would be great to have some artistic sculptures and other scenic objects around the park	5/1/2018 9:49 PM
24	Ryde is lacking in outdoor exercise equipment for adults. Children have playgrounds and scooter paths. Adults need help to fight obesity epidemic.	5/1/2018 4:16 PM
25	Its a beautiful park, oval that should be kept and improved and not overused.	5/1/2018 4:15 PM
26	No, keep up the good work - next please desperately upgrade the park between Kells road and abaroo Road. It is the only park I can access easily that I can slay on footpaths for most of the journey. To walk to Gannan park there are bits of bidgee road without footpaths which makes it extremely hard with a double pram and Not safe to walk on the road as cars come quickly around the corner of gardener road onto bidgee road	4/30/2018 7:36 PM
27	Ideally additions would be as unobtrusive as possible. It is a nice open plan park so keeping it as a nice grassy area would be good.	4/29/2018 7:01 PM
28	Just keep cricket pitch and nets	4/29/2018 4:00 PM
29	No	4/29/2018 2:19 PM
30	no	4/27/2018 6:17 PM
31	Leave the park alone - except for more vegetation.	4/26/2018 10:43 AM
32	The master plan looks really nice and it is good to see the park is getting some much needed improvements	4/24/2018 10:33 AM
33	No	4/20/2018 9:34 PM

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34	no	4/19/2018 5:57 PM
35	We need to keep our sporting grounds not remove them.	4/17/2018 4:59 AM
36	It looks like council is removing the 2 sports that the current park caters for and would be a massive loss for the local community	4/16/2018 6:20 PM
37	no	4/16/2018 1:54 PM
38	Congratulations upon the planning - we'll done	4/16/2018 11:27 AM
39	Stop the residents from throwing their rubbish and tree branches over the fences and into the park, stop them from cutting the trees down that spoil their view.	4/14/2018 3:10 PM
40	Good consultation process ... as long as it is not just a process for minimal change. The community wants to see better usability of the parks in our area and Ryde council is one of the leaders in this. Gannon park needs better facilities and more varied usability but this should not be made so minimal so it is just reserved as the exclusive domain for casual use by its direct neighbours spending a lot of money on amenities but not actually really increasing the parks use by adding better and more varied (like fenced off-leash dog area and football) would be a waste of money	4/14/2018 8:53 AM
41	Great can't wait for improvements	4/13/2018 3:06 PM
42	No	4/13/2018 10:18 AM
43	Happy with Council's plan and increasing use of our facilities for the greater Ryde communities.	4/13/2018 9:49 AM
44	Please consider the impact it has on Buna street residents hygiene, safety, noise control. We have noticed a lot more children on bikes/scooters in our street, unsupervised and running across our driveways as the park is adjacent to the street, it has a false sense of safety and they are not aware it is a road. More and more now as I exit my driveway onto Buna street I have to be very careful a child is not going to ride across my driveway thinking it's safe enough, as it's near the park, and they can free roam and criss cross all up and down the street, without being aware of cars exiting their driveways. With improvements to the park, we can expect a lot more traffic and children. If you have a scooter track, that can encourage more children to our street and from a safety perspective, puts our Buna street residents under more pressure to watch out. I do not want an accident or casualty to happen in our street.	4/12/2018 8:42 PM
45	I am not sure if it is a good idea to relocate the amenities building. The current shelters are great for family and friends gathering, and for those who attend sporting events as it provides a wide open view of the park. I really don't think having a new amenities building there will promote its use. Perhaps consider installing simple workout equipments at that space instead? (like that at Bondi) This should go well with the expanded playground area.	4/12/2018 8:38 PM
46	No	4/12/2018 6:07 PM
47	As teams have begun to use the oval more, consider adding lights for night training. Could also expand garden at northern end of Gannon park	4/12/2018 1:21 PM
48	Looks great	4/11/2018 9:31 PM
49	Yes, see above answers.	4/11/2018 6:33 PM
50	Keep cost to a minimum	4/11/2018 5:23 PM
51	Well done. Thank you.	4/11/2018 11:12 AM



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## Executive summary

Council engaged Flagship Communications, a specialist stakeholder engagement company, to lead the community consultation process for the development of a masterplan for Gannan and McCauley Park, Ryde.

From 15 November to 10 December 2017, a stakeholder engagement period was open for stakeholders to provide their feedback on the existing precinct and what their thoughts are for the future of the site.

The engagement period was promoted through Council's website and dedicated Have Your Say page, social media and DL flyers to targeted stakeholders and residents and posters in the park.

Stakeholders had many opportunities to provide their feedback including an online survey, stakeholder interviews, intercept surveys and drop-in sessions.

A dedicated phone number and Council's email address were also promoted as methods for stakeholders to provide input to the project.

Council received significant feedback from many stakeholders including local residents, park users, and relevant council staff.

Engagement interaction included approximately 50 one-on-one interactions at drop-in sessions with over 130 comments provided by participants; 21 intercept surveys of precinct users; 72 online surveys completed; four feedback interviews through the 1300 number; and 4 staff members and stakeholder groups interviewed.

The following key themes were identified during the stakeholder engagement process:

### Theme 1 | Getting to the site

The preferred method of getting to the site is walking. Parking is not currently a major issue at this site.

### Theme 2 | Thoughts on the site

The site is well-loved by the local community who like the site to remain as a predominantly passive recreation site. The site is predominantly used for passive recreation, with a Village Green feel at the site.

Many users walk, exercise or take their dogs or children for unstructured recreation.

### Theme 3 | Impact to residents

The site is surrounded by low density residential properties with a steep embankment where both noise and visual amenity can be heavily impacted in the surrounding area.

### Theme 4 | Sports activities

The site is currently used for cricket and baseball competition and training for day use only. There are mixed feelings from sports clubs on relocating to or from Gannan Park

### Theme 5 | Facilities

There is a need for more spectator and passive recreation facilities at the site including shading, seating and BBQ facilities.

### Theme 6 | Playground

The playground does not provide enough equipment for various age groups. There is a request for more to be included.

### Theme 7 | Dogs

The site is used a lot by off leash dog owners, however this causes conflict with other users of the parks.

### Theme 8 | Night activities

The site is not currently lit or used at night. Predominantly, users and adjacent landowners would like it to remain this way.

### Theme 9 | Site maintenance

The site is considered to be maintained in an average state with no major maintenance issues raised.

### Theme 10 | Natural environment

There were many requests for more trees at the site, especially throughout McCauley Park.

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# Background

City of Ryde delivers a wide range of sport and recreation services to both its 117,000 residents and visitors who work or play within the local government area. These services are provided through a network of regional, district, neighbourhood and local open space, parklands, sportsgrounds and indoor and outdoor facilities.

The purpose of the project is for Council to better understand the current and likely future sporting, recreational and leisure needs of the Ryde community and to develop a masterplan for Gannan and McCauley Parks.

The masterplan will include the effective future provision, conservation, planning and development of facilities and services within the parks.

As outlined in the Project Brief, City of Ryde's aspirations for this project are to identify the provision of facilities over the short to long term (2-15 years) to ensure sustainable and efficient use and importantly that the parks meet the needs of the community and sporting and user groups.

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**Consultation objectives**

The overall goal of our team during the consultation phases of the project is to: work with stakeholders to ensure they are informed and engaged, potential issues are identified and effective two-way communication is developed and maintained throughout the project.

The objectives of the consultation are to:

- create stakeholder awareness of the Gannan Park and McCauley Park Masterplan and the associated consultation process
- encourage stakeholder participation in the consultation process
- establish and maintain effective two-way communication between the project team, City of Ryde Council and stakeholders
- ensure stakeholder issues are identified and recorded
- ensure appropriate consultation tools and activities are used, taking into account demographic elements such as language, literacy, disability and access to the internet
- provide timely feedback to the stakeholders about engagement outcomes
- ensure opportunities are identified and recorded

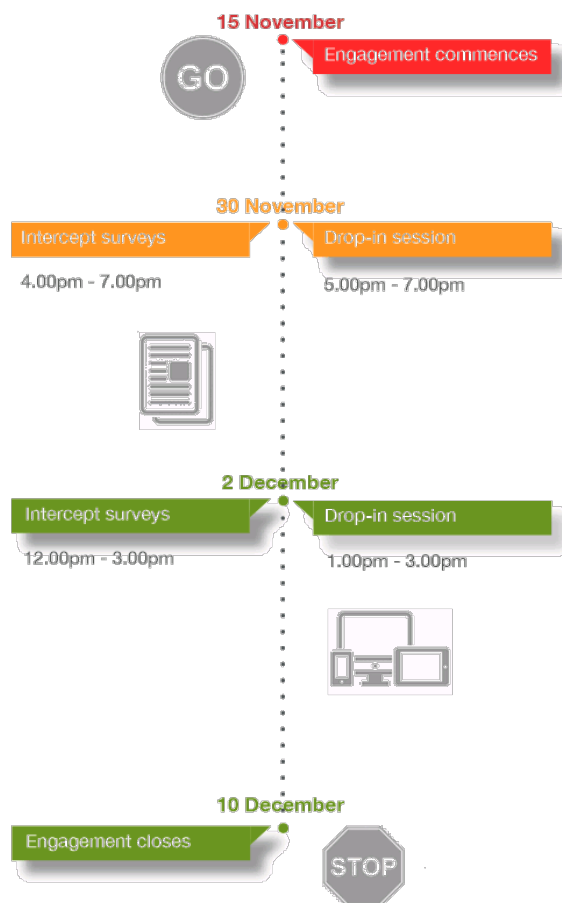


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# Engagement timeline

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# Engagement approach

## Principles

Flagship Communications understands City of Ryde’s commitment to open, transparent and active relationships between Council and the Community. The engagement process supported City of Ryde’s strategic aim for community engagement that fosters:

**Meaningful engagement opportunities whereby community feedback is sought and considered as part of the decision making process.**

The engagement principles below were used throughout the engagement process. To bring the principles ‘to life’, supporting key messages about the project approach are also outlined below.

Principles	Example principles key messages
<b>Be informative</b> provide clear and accurate information in a timely manner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>City of Ryde is seeking feedback to inform the future development of Gannan Park and McCauley Park.</li> <li>City of Ryde has appointed Flagship Communications to deliver a community engagement program.</li> </ul>
<b>Be collaborative</b> ensure all views are recorded and acknowledged	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Different users use the parks differently. We want to understand what would help the community enjoy the site even more, now and 15 years from now.</li> <li>It’s unlikely that all current and future users of the site will agree on priorities for the parks. Understanding the range of community priorities and expectations will help us prioritise and plan for the future of the parks.</li> </ul>
<b>Be sensitive</b> understand the needs of the local community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The current parks may not meet your needs for recreation and play. How can we improve on what we already offer on this site?</li> <li>Are there facilities you’d expect to be able to use at these parks that you can’t?</li> <li>What do you value about the existing parks?</li> </ul>
<b>Be flexible</b> respond to community needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Getting to a Community Information Drop-In session might be difficult for you. To help you to be involved by learning more about the project and providing your feedback, you can find out more via phone, online or email.</li> </ul>
<b>Establish realistic expectations</b> manage stakeholders’ expectations so they understand the influence they have in the decision making process and how their input has been addressed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>By ‘Masterplans’ we mean the visual renditions of community feedback which shows the relationship of all the physical components with each other within the parks and how the parks are placed in regards to neighbouring sites.</li> <li>The masterplans will provide a 15 year plan for the site – this means that the parks will continue to evolve during this time.</li> <li>There are constraints on what City of Ryde can do with the parks. The masterplans will be developed in accordance with Council’s existing policies and plans.</li> </ul>

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# Engagement methods

The following engagement techniques and tools are recommended for the parks masterplans project

Engagement tool	Stakeholder	Overview
<b>Stakeholder Engagement Plan</b>	Project team	An Engagement Plan outlining approaches, stakeholders, engagement tools and techniques.
<b>Stakeholder Engagement Report</b>	Project team Elected Council Council staff	Report containing information on the methodology and result of the engagement processes and how the information will be used to inform the strategic plan and masterplan development
<b>Briefings</b>	Project team	Briefings held to ensure Council's key project team are informed and kept up to date on the engagement process.
<b>Stakeholder drop-in sessions</b>	All	Two casual drop in sessions at varying times of the day (evening and day) to allow stakeholders to have one-to-one time with the project team to provide their thoughts and ideas.
<b>Promotional materials</b>	All	A DL flyer, park signage, newspaper advertisement, email and social media posts provide opportunities to promote the project and engagement opportunities for all stakeholders.
<b>Stakeholder interviews</b>	All	Interviews of sports clubs and other facility user representative via interviews through either a phone call, email, a walk-through of the site or via the drop-in sessions.
<b>Have Your Say website</b>	All	Dedicated website for engagement with a wide range of stakeholders. The site included context for the project with background information, survey, details of engagement events and reference to a dedicated 1300 number and email address for any enquiries or feedback.
<b>Information line and email</b>	All	A dedicated 1300 number was provided exclusive to the project. The number was manned 9am - 5pm weekdays with a message bank for out of hours calls. Council's main email address will be used for the purpose of this project
<b>Social media</b>	All	Project promotion and key messaging distributed via Council's social media pages and through third party sites at the discretion of Council.
<b>Survey</b>	All	A survey to enable the project team to get standardised information from all participating stakeholder groups. Options for survey to be on Council's Have your Say page, used at stakeholder interviews, and drop-in sessions.



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Drop-in session next to the playground in Gannan Park.

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# Engagement results

## Project promotion

A range of methods were used to promote the engagement period and the opportunities for engagement available to stakeholders. (See appendix A and B) This included:

Method	Stakeholders	Distribution
<b>DL flyer</b>	Delivered to residents within a 250m radius of the precinct (Appendix B)	Flyers delivered to residents within a 250m radius of the parks
<b>Park signage</b>	Park signage was displayed within the park	Park signage displayed within the parks
<b>eNewsletter</b>	The eNewsletter was delivered to stakeholders of the site.	89 eNewsletters distributed 50 eNewsletters were opened
<b>Facebook</b>	A Facebook message was posted on Council's Facebook page.	Reach of 2,643 98 reactions, comments or shares
<b>Have Your Say</b>	Dedicated web page with information about the project and online survey. (Appendix B)	195 page views 163 unique visits



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**Project engagement**

A range of methods were used to engage with stakeholders during the engagement period. This included:

Method	Stakeholders	Engagement
<b>Drop-in sessions</b>	Two drop-in sessions were held at various times and days throughout the engagement period.	Approximately 50 one-on-one interactions 130 comments provided by participants
<b>Intercept surveys</b>	Intercept surveys were undertaken around the times of the drop-in centres which co-incided with peak usage times of the site.	21 surveys completed
<b>Online survey</b>	Online survey was open to all stakeholders throughout the entire engagement period.	71 surveys completed 100% completion rate of surveys
<b>Stakeholder interviews</b>	Key Council staff members and external stakeholder groups were contacted by telephone or email for feedback.	1 staff member responded 5 stakeholder groups responded (Inner West Harbour Cricket Club, Ryde Hunters Hill Cricket Club, Pacific Coast Baseball League, Ryde Panthers Football Club, North West Sydney Womens Football Club)



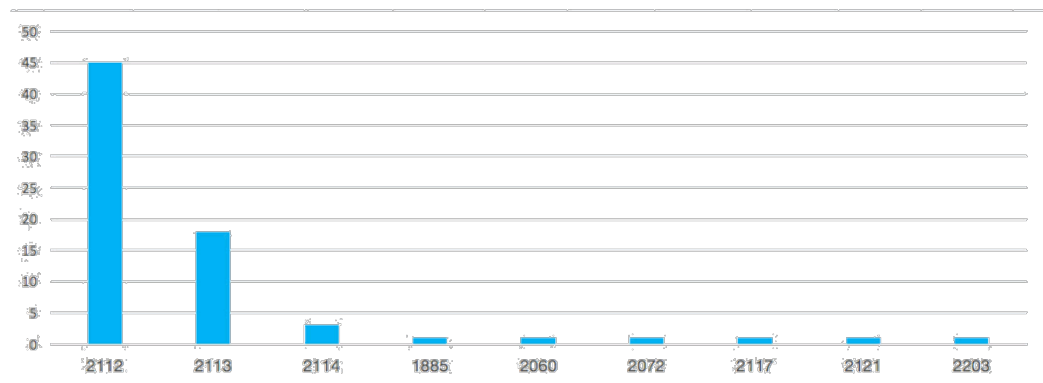
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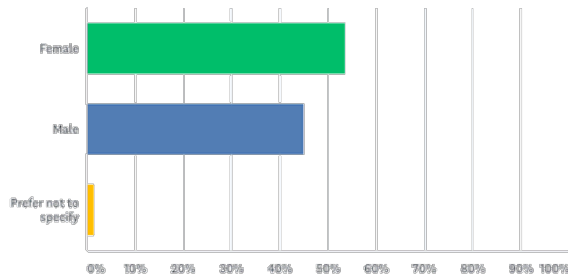
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**Respondents of online survey**

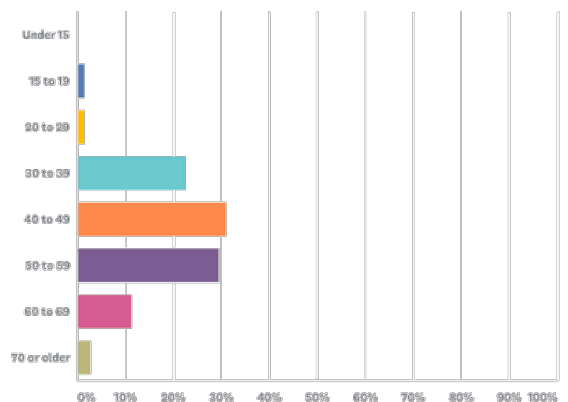
The majority of the online survey respondents were within walking distance of the parks, with a few exceptions throughout the Sydney metropolitan area. The survey was completed by predominantly females aged 40-59.



Number of online respondents per post code.



Gender breakdown of online respondents



Age breakdown of online respondents

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## Response themes

The following themes were identified with the aggregation of all the data collected from the online surveys, intercept surveys, stakeholder interviews and residents' workshop. The aggregated data can be found in appendix C. It seems that the respondents were generally passive site-users with only limited responses provided by organised sports participants. This may impact the types of responses received on particular topics. Feedback provided by sports clubs are highlighted in bold in the aggregated data in appendix C.

### Theme 1 | Getting to the site

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Overwhelmingly the preferred method of getting to the site is walking (71%). Driving a car was the only other notable option (25%).

There were some comments on the lack of appropriate pedestrian walkways in the surrounding streets, with some road crossings perceived as difficult.

Generally, the amount of car parking did not seem to be a significant issue at the site. Although some nearby residents did not like on-street parking, based on the existing level of usage of the site, this is not considered an overwhelming problem.

There did seem to be some concern that car parking may become an issue if the intensity of the park usage was increased.

The carpark is locked on occasions. This seems to be mainly at night and this is seen as a positive approach by respondents because it has lowered the crime rate at the park where there have been previous problems with drug dealing. However it seems that sometimes the car park is not reopened during daylight hours, leaving park users to park on the nearby streets instead.

### Theme 2 | Thoughts on the site

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The parks are currently used for organised baseball and cricket however the predominant use of the site is for passive, unstructured recreation. The park has a village "commons" characteristic with a strong focus on passive recreation.

The site is used for predominantly unstructured activities including: outdoor exercise (74%), play with kids (53%), walk or sit in the bushland (49%), use the playground (42%), play with dogs (37%), use the picnic area (21%) and play with my friends (16%).

Activities related to organised sports had a much lower participation rate: watching sports or events (33%), cricket training and competition (13%), baseball training and competition (10%).

These usage statistics validate the sense of a village commons atmosphere at the parks.

The site is used for walking and running with users enjoying both the wide, flat, grassed areas of Gannan Park and the tiered inclines through the bush in McCauley Park. Local schools use the site for running carnivals and take advantage of the tiered paths throughout McCauley Park for cross country events. There is at least one school that relies heavily on the park for sports activities with no field of their own at the school site.

The site is used for social gatherings including local residents using it for end of year functions, family gatherings, BBQs and picnics. Exercise and play for both children and dogs is a prominent activity at the site. Although the site is not an official off-leash site, most dogs seen at the site during engagement events were not on a leash.

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### Theme 2 | Thoughts on the site continued

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Overwhelmingly, participants commented on the vast open space and their positive experience with the natural characteristics of the parks. Users like the wide open space and parkland characteristics of the site and love the proximity to their homes. They appreciate having a space to play and exercise within a relaxing, peaceful and low noise environment.

Although the majority of the site is used for unstructured activities, users appreciate that the site is also used for organised sports, but agreed that both baseball and cricket were seen as low-key, low-noise sports that fit in well with the overall characteristics and use of the site.

Site users regularly described the parks as more of a village common with a strong community feel, rather than a sports field and wanted to keep this characteristic of the parks - especially in light of the parks' location within a quiet, residential setting.

Respondents did not want the park to have any residential development with most remarking how lucky they were to have the park so close to their homes and appreciated the facility without the need for any changes.

### Theme 3 | Impact on residents

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Some trees were dropping branches into adjacent properties so there were some comments about improving the maintenance of trees along the boundary.

There are some instances of players jumping over residents' fences to retrieve balls.

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### Theme 4 | Sports activities

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There were some specific comments related to existing and requested sports for the site.

There were not many comments about the baseball at the site, with most users reasonably happy with the facilities. However, some other park users would like baseball users to be more careful with their balls with other users on the site.

The cricket users like the practice nets, but would like more of them. It gets very boggy next to the cricket nets after rain. Cricket players tend to lose balls in the long grass at the base of the tiered embankment.

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The comments on having soccer in the park were very mixed. Many did not want organised soccer games in the park, citing that it is too intensive and noisy for the site. However, there were some requests to have some soccer goals installed "just for fun".

Comments on organised sports within the park varied. Some would like to see more sports introduced such as, rugby or soccer, others would like some equipment installed for casual sports use and others do not want any intensification of sports on the site at all.

Key sporting clubs who use the site have been consulted to ascertain their thoughts on relocating some sports between Gannan Park and ELS Hall Park. The following are summaries of their comments:

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**Theme 4 | Sports activities continued**

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**North West Women's Football Club**

There are currently not enough sporting fields in the City of Ryde and one proposal (from the consultants) was that both clubs and associations cap membership at both grass roots level and elite.

The second proposal – which will currently be enforced in 2019 – is to restrict usage to 30 hours per week for each field including match days. This will seriously limit the club's training capacity at a time when the club is looking to grow women's football on the back of the Matilda's success.

The ability to have two full sized football fields with sports lighting year round is a benefit to all forms of football/ training/clinics etc. Gannon is a well designed field with a good amenities block that is clearly looking to be upgraded.

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There are 3 significant advantages:

- 1) Will provide the Ryde Council with a permanent all year round baseball ground, bringing substantial maintenance and infrastructure cost savings;
- 2) Will provide a second, with Pioneer Park, exclusive use baseball ground catering from the highest to lowest grade of baseball, thus accommodating the widest range of players; and
- 3) Will provide the baseball clubs based in the Ryde Council area with a clear focussed field identity.

We strongly support the move of winter baseball from Gannan Park to ELS Hall Park.

**Theme 5 | Facilities**

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There were requests for more facilities at the site, with most facilities requested being for passive recreation or spectating sports on the site.

Overwhelmingly, respondents wanted more shaded seating provided around the site, not just for spectating games but also for casual picnics and BBQs. The provision of BBQs for sports players and casual users of the site and drinking fountains was also requested by many respondents. Although there were a few respondents who did not want BBQ facilities because it was perceived that it would attract undesirable people to the park.

Facilities to enhance the existing fitness and recreation uses of the park were also requested including, exercise stations, bike trails for kids and walking paths looping around the site and having access through McCauley Park.



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**Theme 6 | Playground**

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Overwhelmingly, the new playground equipment was given a poor review. Although the equipment tries to cater for a range of ages and abilities, it also only provides limited play equipment for each group. The equipment is considered boring, with many parents describing the metal train and other equipment as unsafe due to how hot it gets on sunny days.

Also many park users were disappointed that the playground was removed from the other side of McCauley Park.

There were many requests for a greater amount of play equipment giving more range for each age/ability group. There was also a request for more natural play equipment, incorporating the natural features of the sites, ie, rocks and logs to jump over or a slide incorporated into the natural slope of the hills.



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### Theme 7 | Dogs

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Although the parks are not official off-leash areas, it is certainly used as one. This is to the delight of dog owners, but it does cause some problems with other users of the park. Many people described the nickname of the park as “dog sh\*\* park” because of the amount of dog faeces left on the site from dog owners.

There was mixed feelings of having a fenced dog area. Some liked the idea, but many did not like the idea of fencing in their dogs.

There was strong desire for doggy bins and bags to be provided at the site to alleviate some of the existing problems.

Some parents did not take their children to the playground any more because their kids were scared of dogs which regularly approach children around the playground equipment.

### Theme 8 | Night activities

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Night activities are actively discouraged at the site. Currently the carpark gates are locked after dark to reduce the incidence of the park being used as a drug selling spot (a previous problem at the site).

Many participants did not want the site floodlit due to the adverse impact on the surrounding residential areas. It was considered that night activities would create noise (the parks being part of a natural amphitheatre overlooked by residential properties), light pollution and unsavoury behaviour.

Some (but not many) local residents did understand that sports grounds were at a premium and that some intensification may be needed to help alleviate this across the district - although this view was not shared by many.

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**Theme 9 | Site maintenance**

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The site is considered to be reasonably well maintained. There are some areas of the park where improvement would be preferred.

The irrigation of the sportsfield is relatively poor with the under surface irrigation system only partially working. This is possibly not a major issue at the site because no high impact sports are played on the site and the surface can recover without too much active irrigation.

The practice cricket nets are well used however some maintenance of them is desired, especially where there is poor drainage along the side of the nets which becomes very boggy after rain.

Carpark users and adjacent landowners would like to see more active maintenance of the trees with the occasional tree branches dropping.

The most significant area for maintenance is throughout McCauley Park where respondents wanted greater maintenance of the bushland and more active bush regeneration.

**Theme 10 | Natural environment**

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The natural environment of the site is well regarded and is considered integral to the identity of the parks. Many commented on the amount of birdlife in the park with Tawny Frog Mouths, Galahs, Corellas frequenting the parks.

Participants would like more trees for shading, however adjacent landowners do not want their view of the parks obscured by trees.

There was a significant amount of support for greater bush regeneration throughout McCauley Park to build on previous regeneration and to reduce the weed growth.

There was also a request for greater recognition of the waterways that have been piped through the site and even a request for some of it to be reinstated as the natural overland flow.

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# Recommendations

Based on the information received throughout the initial stage of stakeholder engagement for Gannan and McCauley parks, the following recommendations are provided for the development of the draft masterplan.

**Theme 1 | Getting to the site**

- Investigate improvements to pedestrian walkways to the site.

**Theme 2 | Thoughts on site**

- Retain the village commons profile of the site

**Theme 3 | Impact on residents**

- Sustain the existing level of use intensity at the site
- Maintain the trees around the perimeter of the site

**Theme 4 | Sports activities**

- Consider continuing the baseball and cricket at this site
- Any inclusion of additional sports at the site should be low-key and low-impact

**Theme 5 | Facilities**

- Increase the amount of seating and shading around the site
- Install BBQ and drinking fountain facilities
- Consider installing exercise stations around the site
- Consider increasing the number of cricket nets

**Theme 6 | Playground**

- Consider expanding the playground to include a larger amount of equipment.
- Incorporate play equipment into the natural setting of the parks (ie, a slide aligned with the park slopes)

**Theme 7 | Dogs**

- Install doggy bins and bags around the site
- Consider fencing some areas to segregate dogs from children and/or players

**Theme 8 | Night activities**

- Do not increase night activities at the site
- Consider alternate locations for night games
- Continue to lock the carpark gates in the evenings

**Theme 9 | Site maintenance**

- Consider upgrading the irrigation system if the playing field intensity is to be increased
- Develop a regular maintenance program for the trees across the site

**Theme 10 | Natural environment**

- Undertake bush regeneration throughout the parks including the upper embankment area
- Encourage habitat for local fauna
- Improve profile of local waterways and consider reinstating open drainage channels

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# Appendices

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Promotional materials

DL flyer Front



DL flyer back

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**Data aggregation**

The responses from the stakeholders broadly form eleven themes. Below is the aggregated data from the intercept surveys, stakeholder interviews, emails to Council, phone calls to the 1300 number and drop-in sessions. Type in bold represents comments from a larger stakeholder group representative.

**Theme 1 | Getting to the site**

- Parking too close to Quarry road
- No parking trailers on the street
- No more trees around the carpark
- Carpark gate sometimes closed
- Carpark is good. It is secure
- Improve walking access from Badajoz. The roundabout is dangerous
- Difficult to walk to the park from Pooley Street – Twice to cross Quarry road (dangerous)
- Our street is not suitable for handling parking required for a complete day of sports festival
- Surrounding streets provide adequate parking for those times the carpark is locked.

**Theme 2 | Thoughts on the site**

**Walking and running**

- Field is great for rehabilitation – flat areas and incline areas
- Keep the flat open space – good for jogging and play
- I use the hills for running up and down
- I use the tiers for walking up
- My family, my extended families and neighbours use this park for exercises, walking, jogging,
- I am a regular user of ganon park, varying from taking the kids to kick around, morning walks, lazy lunches to escape to the natural environment of the park.
- walking around
- Walking, outdoor exercise
- "Regular evening walks and exercise
- We will continue to walk daily on the park with our dog, and my teenage children will continue to regularly use it for exercise and sport practise, on their own and with friends.
- Personal recreation
- Regular exercises.

**School activities**

- My school uses it for running carnivals.
- Keep as a space for school sport
- Keep for school sport
- The school does cross country through McCauley Park
- We rely on this facility as we are a landlocked school with no oval and sporting fields
- For school sport events

**Social gatherings**

- Residents use park for end of year functions
- barbecue venue for family gatherings
- picnic and bbq
- spend more time with family in the park.
- No town houses
- No housing or residential developments
- No buildings or houses on the site

**Dog exercise**

- pet walks etc.
- Walk the dogs
- Walking my dog.
- Dog walking
- Walking dog

**Kids play**

- Kids to play & exercise
- Spend time with grandchildren in the park.
- play with kids
- playing frisbee, using play equipment.
- I use the playground

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**Theme 2 | Thoughts on the site continued**

**Open space and size**

- I like the fresh air and space
- I like the space to run
- Large open space
- it is untouched and lovely open space
- We like the freedom of the open flow of the large space. We can walk thru McCauley park into Gannon and walk the dog, exercise and catch up with friends.
- We like that local schools have a great space for their activities.
- Its size
- the embankment area and the fields
- open space
- Large open space, Provides good sporting facilities for local clubs. Good area for walking, away from traffic.
- Good layout.
- it's green
- Protected space away from traffic. Great open-air spaces above oval, nice shady area too.
- Its a relatively dramatic park because of its previous use (quarry) and the element of natural remnant area.
- "Space and facilities
- Natural space. Not concreted.
- Plenty of space for everyone.
- wide open park, good parking which luckily is for one park user only
- it's green and big, we love the size of it.
- Space, Trees, open area.
- "Wide open space with no infrastructure.
- The ground is vast.
- The wide open space and parkland. I really enjoy this space.
- The green open space and the walking tracks along the side of the hills.
- It has a playground & a big open space to kick or throw a ball & it's quite open so I can keep an eye on the kids no matter where they are
- Wide-open space.
- Large space (gannan park)
- the open field along with the wonderful trees in McCauley park for shelter on a hot summers day
- Green, clean, spacious, no crowds. Ryde Park is too busy - this one is a true local park.
- It is a lovely big space so it gives a feeling of freedom, it is also well away from roads so it is safe for kids and dogs
- Nice and large, combination of flat and hilly sections which are good for running.
- I like the terraces in Gannan Park, which are from the old quarry and pottery works.
- large oval.
- I love the shade and the open space
- I love the bird life
- Love all the birds
- I love the open space and seeing the flocks of cockatoos
- I love the open space

**Recreation**

- I like this park because it's fun and on Thursday my class comes here to play sport.
- The relaxed community feel that comes from people using it for such varied purposes, the bushland and open space hidden in the middle of houses away from busy streets and the ability to so easily walk my dog in a space close to home.
- Open grassed space
- I like Gannan park because you get to race your friends and get happy good rewards

**Community feel**

- A community feel.
- The bird life, the youngsters running free, people walking their animals.
- I am very happy with how my neighbours and myself use the park at present as it serves the community very well.

**Location**

- Easy access from many parts of Ryde, North Ryde and East Ryde due to the transition from Gannan through to McCauley Park
- Close to home
- Ease of access to my school, large field, lovely gardens etc
- It's location and its size.
- easy access,
- In my local area

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- Close proximity to walk

**Peaceful and quiet**

- We like the peacefulness of the local families that use the park.
- It's quiet and safe
- The serenity and beauty of the open space and the surrounding natural trees and bushes. I also like that it is used for low level sporting games (local clubs) - ones that don't draw hundreds of spectators. Ones that are played by people from all walks of life and from near and far away.
- I also like that the parks are understated and properly maintained.
- Accessibility, the fact that there are not drones of people using it!
- The peace and tranquility and the great facility for school children for sports as well as the peaceful surroundings.
- quiet,
- great neighbours, quiet area,
- Quite off main roads
- Quiet, open grassland, no soccer field, no night lights
- Relatively quiet park without too many facilities.
- A lot less noisy than many other parks
- The large open space - and it is peaceful as the crowds for current sports are not loud or noisy
- Also nice and peaceful.
- Nice and quiet
- Quiet, peaceful. With only cricket and baseball, there is not too much noise or traffic and this is a good thing.
- This is a low noise area – regardless of what is happening
- It's a peaceful place where fauna can be seen and heard.
- not noisy sports as that would destroy the quiet atmosphere

**Original intent**

- I am a resident and when the property was built, Gannan park was intended to be a nature reserve, not a sporting site.
- Its become a sporting site, not a nature reserve as originally intended.

**Balanced use**

- That it has the right balance between active and passive use.
- Great local amenity for all groups of people to keep a healthy lifestyle!
- "Ability to utilise the whole park without 50 or so cars, whistles, screaming and yelling.
- Wide open space and lack of intrusive facilities. Flexible sports field for baseball / cricket and running.
- Wide open space, versatile use. Nice vegetation.
- Plenty of room for people to share space for multiple purposes.
- Open layout with large space. Never feel crowded and different families can do their own things at different corners without interfering each other. It is a great community park for families.
- I like the green open space with plenty of options for sporting groups
- There are a lot of casual users because it isn't inundated by organized sports
- It is spacious and rarely over-crowded. Don't ruin it!!
- We would like to see it remain as a free flow space catering to the wide range of outdoor activities for the community during daylight hours

**Do not...**

- NO RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT WHAT SO EVER HERE!! Not every scrap of dirt needs to be maximised to its fullest potential. Some areas can be left as natural landscapes in these urban environments.
- Do not sell the space to developers
- There is no need for any immediate change
- I don't think anything should be changed. I like it.
- We strongly oppose the idea of turning the Gannan park into baseball/football/soccer sports festival field.
- Leave our park alone- it is not a centennial wannabe
- If you increase its use it spoils its appeal.
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- Common fencing style is needed along the McCauley residential boundary.
- I like everything about Gannan Park
- It is an exceptionally good park that serves very well in its use.
- It is a great park and we are very luck to have it!
- It's great. I love kicking the sports balls with kids soccer and football. walking the dog. running.
- It's a great protected space.
- Maybe return the park back to a Passive Recreation area similar to Anzac Park at West Ryde."
- I like the natural look and would hate to have a pile of cement piled into to make it 'bike-friendly'. Save scootering for other paths - leave this one as a genuine nature reserve. "



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**Theme 3 | Impact on residents**

- People are jumping over resident's fences
- Cricket balls go over the neighbours fences – need protection
- Trees drop branches in neighbouring properties – not safe
- I work from home, 7 days a week (including weekends). The noise level from additional traffic, and from sports festival will hinder from working in my own house
- we live adjacent to the park and enjoy sitting on our balcony watching the games of cricket. We don't want trees to block our view of the oval
- We wouldn't mind having lights on the site. We know the site is for everyone
- Do not have night games here. It would be very disruptive for us living next to the oval
- Its nice living with this park in our backyard

**Theme 4 | Sports activities**

**Baseball**

- Sometimes the baseball players need to be aware of others
- Baseball would need a big offset

**Cricket**

- **Keep the cricket nets and playground**
- **Cricket nets have been fantastic**
- **Cricket balls get lost in the long grass along the bank**
- **I like the cricket nets**
- **Want more cricket nets**

**Hard courts**

- Basketball hoop and a wall to hit a tennis ball against
- Synthetic, all-purpose court for basketball and futsal
- Add volleyball courts
- Basketball court with lights (preference for a full sized court)
- Sometimes you can't use the cricket nets as there is a coaching company there doing lessons
- basketball half court
- Couple of half court basketball areas would be great.

**Soccer**

- Soccer nets for recreation
- Soccer goals for fun
- Need soccer posts
- Could place two soccer fields at the park
- Soccer playing should NOT be introduced as this will restrict the park for residents like Pidding Park

**General comments**

- Rugby field and posts
- We would like an area for kids sports
- I like the sports
- Encourage all sports in this park
- Keep the sports
- Intensify sport use – just not netball
- More facilities and seating required for sporting events, and a sign / billboard showing booked events (cricket, baseball, schools) is required, and scoreboards would be useful for those watching events
- It is predominantly a sporting facility used on weekends for baseball & cricket.
- Increased sports training
- touch football,
- More sports with my kids
- Would be good to have lines marked out for specific sports, goal posts for soccer or even some athletic facilities like marked lanes for running and a long jump pit.
- To have access more often around other booked sporting groups or clubs.
- Sports field -shared space.
- When people are using the cricket nets & don't take little kids playing nearby into consideration.



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**Theme 4 | Sports activities continued**

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- Its a beautiful ground that we dont wish to see lost to cricket.

**Ryde Panthers Football Club:**

- To be honest, after reviewing this idea [to relocate sports clubs based on Council's recreation strategy] and data ourselves, there would need to be a very compelling concept and offer on the table to get our support to a proposal like this. We have concerns and would like to discuss the points below.
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- During our review of the Sports and Recreation Strategy, an idea was put forward that we would like to be considered.
  - The suggestion being, to move AFL to Gannan, move Ryde Panthers Football Club to ELS Hall No.1 with ELS Hall No.3 as our second field and keep baseball on ELS Hall No.2.
  - We would then relocate to use the top canteen & storage facilities.
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- Grounds are required, due to location and size to be rated to suit from the top to lowest level of baseball skills, as per team grading. The current baseball grounds for Summer are - ELS Hall Park and Magdala Park rated for all levels; Waterloo Park and Pioneer Park, rated for level D and below. Note in the summer season ELS Hall Park, is also shared with the Ryde Hawks state senior and junior competition and the Women's League. Also operate on Monday nights, the Masters League, for ages of 35 years of age and older. The current baseball grounds for Winter are - Gannan Park rated for all levels; and Pioneer Park, rated for level D and below. Plus by arrangement with the North Ryde RSL, also have the use of the North Ryde RSL cricket field, inside the North RSL Club.
- Currently the needs for senior baseball in the Ryde Council area are being adequately serviced. Note that Junior baseball season competition only operates in the Summer season. However, during winter, there are several weekend invitational tournaments, and the only current ground is Pioneer Park. Having ELS Hall Park available in winter would enable a better field and parking.
- Proposed move of Winter season from Gannan Park to ELS Hall Park: Although Gannan Park has served well for over 25 years the senior baseball in the Ryde Council area, a move for Winter season to ELS Hall Park would be a significant step. This is because, the ELS Hall Park facilities will continue to provide a ground for the higher level of baseball grade as Gannan Park does.

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**Theme 4 | Sports activities continued**

- There are several issues for which we can draw a parallel analysis:
- **Parking**
- Parking at Gannan Park is exclusive to baseball users, however it is not as numerous as for other sports. But the parking at ELS Hall Park, when taking into account the series of events at the indoor centre could become a problem. However, as the car parking for baseball is not as large nor is the hourly turnover, ELS Hall Park is amply suited for baseball. On the other hand soccer would gain significantly with the parking facilities at Gannan Park
- **Loss of baseballs**
- This has been a continuing and costly problem at Gannan Park due to the high density vegetation on the home plate corner of the park.
- **Toilets and change rooms**
- Both grounds have the same facilities, however at ELS Hall Park, these are significantly closer to the playing field.
- **Warm up area**
- Gannan Park has a larger and open area for players warm up in preparation to the game, whereas ELS Hall Park does not provide on open area. This is compensated by the use of the indoor batting cage and the pitcher's bullpen.
- **Storage area**
- ELS Hall Park now provides a ground equipment room adjacent to the ground and a secured lockup area. Whereas Gannan Park storage area is well away from the field, although the lock up security box adjacent to the ground, does assist.
- **Ground lighting**
- It must be remembered that the Ryde Eastwood Baseball Club, addressed the funding and work on the installation of the current level 3 baseball field lighting. This project was done before the current DA regulations, whilst most of the funding was undertaken by baseball, it was always as property and control of the council. Baseball is a committed partner to ground improvements, enjoyed by other sports.
- A move for baseball to ELS Hall Park will provide much needed night training facilities not available to baseball in the winter season.
- Currently many Ryde Council based baseball clubs accommodate night training at other council locations such as Cumberland, Canada Bay, Hornsby, Kuringai, Baulkham Hills. A move for winter to ELS Hall will have all teams training at their local ground. By having a top level baseball field available all year, the Ryde Council will have a local facility which will benefit all residents.
- **Expanded competition**
- Another huge benefit would be the re-establishment of the PCBL Masters League for the winter season, played on Monday nights. The league ceased the winter league about 4 years ago because the only ground with lights suitable for games was the state baseball centre at Blacktown International Sports Park, and the traveling time was a major deterrent for players thus the league was abandoned.
- The capacity to undertake a Winter Masters League will provide over 34 year olds to play in a safe and supported environment. At this age bracket it is expected that many would join, providing an avenue for physical activity and camaraderie.
- **Ground maintenance**
- The current shared use of ELS Hall Park between baseball and soccer has resulted in significant maintenance issues and costs for the council. Particularly during the season start in September, after soccer concludes, the field has been dangerous to play. Usually taking 3-4 months for the ground to settle after the high use of soccer cleats. The change for ELS Hall park to become a full year baseball facilities will significantly reduce maintenance costs. Another important feature is that by having a single sport at the ground, maintenance work can be more productively targeted to suit the needs of one particular sport.
- The current hirer of Gannan Park, for the past 20 odd years, has been the Ryde Eastwood Baseball Club, however the ground has been allocated to all Ryde Council based baseball clubs,
- There are 3 significant advantages:
  - 1) Will provide the Ryde Council with a permanent all year round baseball ground, bringing substantial maintenance and infrastructure cost savings;
  - 2) Will provide a second, with Pioneer Park, exclusive use baseball ground catering from the highest to lowest grade of baseball, thus accommodating the widest range of players; and
  - 3) Will provide the baseball clubs based in the Ryde Council area with a clear focussed field identity.
- **We strongly support the move of winter baseball from Gannan Park to ELS Hall Park.**

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**Theme 4 | Sports activities continued**

**North West Women's Football Club**

- NSW Department of planning has approved 30 000 new units in the Herring Road precinct alone. Increased units targeted for this part of the city and along the public transport corridor are looking to increase our population by another 20%.
- There are currently not enough sporting fields in the City of Ryde and one proposal (from the consultants) was that both clubs and associations cap membership at both grass roots level and elite.
- The second proposal – which will currently be enforced in 2019 – is to restrict usage to 30 hours per week for each field – and that includes match days.
- This will seriously limit our training capacity for our grassroots club – at a time when we are looking to grow women's football on the back of the Mathilda's success.
- The ability to have two full sized football fields with sports lighting year round is a benefit to all forms of football/training/clinics etc. Gannon is a well designed field with a good amenities block – that is clearly looking to be upgraded.
- There are no greenfield sites in the city of Ryde and the current price of land will prohibit the council buying any land for sporting use.
- Disclaimer: I was a member of the Ryde Sports Advisory Committee that also sat on the committee that was part of the 10 year development plan for the city of Ryde.
- This suggestion came from the consultants who were independent of the process. This suggestion came as quite a surprise to those of us on the committee who had never considered an additional field could be found within existing resources.

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**Theme 5 | Facilities**

**Shelter and seating**

- 10-20 gazebos on cricket days. Maybe some more shelter/shade
- Need shade and cover
- Add seating along the walkway that is shaded
- More seats around the edge
- Need more seating around the perimeter
- Add a shelter on the east side of the park
- More seating
- Need spectator seating
- Install stadium seating near the incline to watch athletics
- Like a picnic shelter with seats near the middle
- more seating, more shade
- More seating might be good.
- and more shady areas to sit
- would be good to have more seating areas
- No seating
- Not enough seating/shade areas
- I think it needs more shade and picnic areas for spectators and relaxing
- Not many seating facilities
- only one picnic bench area near oval
- Lack of shaded areas and no exercise equipment
- More trees and shade for picnics and relaxing
- and some more sitting areas with shade. "

**Fitness equipment**

- "Timed" fitness circuit around a path
- Add outdoor gym equipment on a loop path
- Free adult fitness program
- Fitness equipment spaced out around the perimeter x4
- Fitness equipment in an isolated area (McCauley Park)
- Erecting some exercise machines, as lot of people who come for walk or running can also have some tune up the body.
- gym equipment.
- "Outdoor fitness equipment"

**BBQ and drinking facilities**

- A BBQ area with seating
- Need an electric BBQ
- Some BBQ pits
- Public BBQs are needed
- Don't want a BBQ area
- A BBQ and water fountain
- Keep a water bubbler and the car park
- BBQ area at McCauley section
- BBQ area x2
- Barbecues would be welcome
- No tap at gannon park to fill water bottles or give dog a drink
- Some more picnic spaces around the outside would also be good or in the opposite corner to the baseball home plate would be great. I'd also like to see some exercise equipment in the area where the playground used to be in McCauley Park.
- BBQ facility.
- I don't want it to be developed further for picnics/BBQs etc.

**Walking/exercise paths**

- Bike trail for kids"
- Ride bikes and picnic/barbeque
- A bike track around the field would be great, similar to Ryde Park.
- Better kids activities. Bike track perhaps so they don't need to ride on the rd.
- I would like to see a bike track added
- Loop path around Gannan and a connecting path through McCauley
- Walking track
- Bike trail for kids"

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**Theme 5 | Facilities continued**

- ride bikes and picnic/barbeque
  - A bike track around the field would be great, similar to Ryde Park.
  - Better kids activities. Bike track perhaps so they don't need to ride on the rd.
  - I would like to see a bike track added
  - May be ride a bike, and run on grass tracks
  - A loop and path for jogging
  - Widen footpaths in surrounding streets for cyclists
  - Would like a kids cycle track
  - Loop path would be good
  - Walking loop path around Gannan
  - Scooter or bike path around the park
  - Add a loop using the inclines x2
  - Walking circuit
  - Scooter track with jumps and bumps
  - Maintain the walking trails
  - Will love to see some running tracks
  - more walking in beautiful open areas
  - more access to the embankment. better planting and activities
  - Connection to parks are poor.
  - Bike track would be great,
  - bicycling and scooter
  - A big long bike track would also be awesome as it is so flat there.
- General comments**
- Lower sink for kids to wash their hands
  - Would like a lookout at the top of the hill to get city/district views
  - need a lock up area closer to playing field,
  - Fence around the whole park area
  - Active space near McCauley Reserve as a natural play area
  - Athletics field with a canteen for catering
  - Make the cricket space a bit smaller to allow kids to play and bikes
  - A café

**Theme 6 | Playground**

- Play area is poor. A bit for toddlers and not much else.
- A bigger, better playground
- Extend the play area
- Needs a kids park with a fence to ensure no runaways
- Fencing the playground for child safety
- Love the swings
- Want more kid friendly amenities
- Put a slide on the hill
- Want play items for youth – ie flying fox and climbing nets
- I like the playground
- Need teen equipment
- Need kids play equipment for 3-5 year olds
- More play areas for toddlers (under 5) and little kids
- Balance playground equipment for all ages. Keep the big kid swings
- The playground is not functional – not enough variety in the equipment.
- Flying fox in the playground
- Add a slide to the playground
- A better playground would bring groups for events
- I like the playground
- More playground equipment



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Theme 6 | Playground continued

- Want a new, modern playground
- The shade sail is in the wrong place
- Add a spinner wheel to the playground
- Id like a play area over near McCauley Park
- Better playground
- "They stupid play equipment design and the fact u took McCauley equipment away!
- Current playground - needs better and more varied equipment for all ages."
- "no swings ect in McCauley park
- Play area. This is an embarrassment. I first started coming to Gannan when my children were toddlers. The play area then was OK, but a few years later was dismantled and taken away. Then we were surveyed to ask what sort of replacement would we favour. It was our understanding that there would be flying fox (like in Bleinham Park) and a slippery dip using the slope of the natural southern hill... and a climbing 'net' like in Buffalo Creek reserve. NONE of these were delivered. Instead a funny little stationary train, and a rudimentary climbing apparatus. Neither were suitable for my 2 children who now a few years older. They looked at the new play equipment with disdain. So my suggestion would be for something a little grander like Buffalo Creek reserve/Bleinham park. Coupled with this, we were told that the Gannan park play area would be so wonderful, that there was no need for the McCauley Park equipment and the Nerang Street equipment and we saw in horror that they were both removed!!
- Playground, don't like off leash dogs there
- The playground is a bit boring. The train is useless.
- Another playground in McCauley
- Playground is terrible. swings are good
- You took away the simple play equipment and put horrible HOT metal things and nothing for 3-5 year olds unless it's a dumb metal train that does nothing!
- I know the playground has been recently updated, but the equipment is boring, hard to use and doesn't suit many ages. I have 3 kids ages 10, 5 and 2 and all of them hate this playground. My younger kids can't even use it because the play equipment is too hard for them. I know many many other families in the area feel the same.
- I'd also love to see more of a natural/bushland play area so kids can play on rocks and build cubby houses under trees and use their imagination.
- I was a bit disappointed when the playground was finally built as it seems quite limited and tame, only really for very young children.
- I would like to see a slide built into the hill next to the playground in Gannan Park, leveraging the natural slope of the land.
- Playground for kids,
- If the playground was better and shaded I'd take the kids more
- "Updated playground.
- More play equipment, was disappointed with the new installation done recently.
- "I would like a more toddler friendly play equipment since you took it out of McCauley which there was nothing wrong with!
- You installed a dangerous train for summer the kids will be burnt!
- I'd love to go down there with my kids more to play on the playground. We live within walking distance but we very rarely use the park at the moment because the play equipment is boring and too hard to use. My 2 youngest kids aged 5 and 2 can't even use it because it's too old for them. There's not a great variety of equipment and parents obviously weren't consulted on the decision to install the particular equipment that is currently there. There needs to be a greater variety and things that are suitable for ALL ages. The younger kids are the ones who really want to use the playground - frankly my 10 year old couldn't care less about playing in a playground yet she's the only one who can really use the equipment.
- "More play things for the little ones would be great"



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Theme 7 | Dogs

- Doggy bins are needed
- I would like leashed parks
- Flyball course at the opposite end of the field
- I like taking my dog for a walk here
- Keep it nice for dogs. Keep it pet friendly
- I like how it is dog friendly
- Need more responsible dog owners
- Im not a big fan of a fenced dog area. Prefer off leash area within the park
- The park is known as dog poo park. There are no bins or bags provided.
- The park is full of dog poo. Need bins.
- "Dog shit park" – provide bins
- need doggie bins and bags
- It's a good site for walking my dog
- Dog off leash area but no fence
- No fence for an off leash area
- No room for a dog area with a fence when baseball or cricket is on
- Dogs NOT off leash!
- Dog off leash area x2
- No leash free area for dogs
- Add dog bins
- **Some sort of dog enclosed area as lot of people i see come there to walk their dogs and do not do the right thing and dig poo can be seen around in the ground as it is also a active playground for base ball and cricket, so kids end up stepping on this shit, and this enclosed area for dogs wil get rid of this problem.**
- People tend to use gannan as a dog park and kids need to look out for dog litter - ridiculous
- Dog waste rubbish bags.
- Off lead dog park,
- My kids are scared of dogs and the dogs come running at us when we're walking through the park to go to the playground.
- Many dog owners also feel that the "no dog within 10 metres of a playground" rule doesn't apply to them and I am forever trying to console my kids because dog owners bring their dogs into the playground saying "oh but MY dog is nice". That's not the point - they're not meant to be there. So basically, we don't use the park nearly as much as we'd like to.
- use as a leash free dog area against signed restrictions.
- dogs can often be see off leash chasing flocks of birds"
- Resident who throws dog pooo
- Not dog friendly.
- "Dog off leash area.
- Except the resident that throws dog poo at our kids cricket kits "

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**Theme 8 | Night activities**

- Don't put floodlights here
- No floodlights
- No sports lights – makes too much noise having night games
- I am not supportive of sports field lighting
- Don't feel particularly safe at night
- No floodlighting as residents are too close x2
- Floodlighting will bring antisocial behavior at night
- No lighting – it will affect the immediate adjacent properties
- No high lights
- No night sports or contact sports
- No soccer with sports lighting
- Keep the gate to the carpark closed after dark. It avoids damage to the park and graffiti etc
- There are probably better suited sites for field floodlighting than this site
- The noise factor in the natural amphitheatre will be an issue for night time training
- We have young kids who will not be able to sleep through the noise or flood lights
- There needs to be tighter security or structures in place to deter derelicts dealing and loitering at night
- I'd like the sportsground lit with lights
- after dark exercise (need lights),
- Lighting would be great to enjoy this area in the evenings.
- It is no longer attracting after-dark illegal activities.
- Poor lighting, especially in McCauley park at the Boyce St end.
- Lack of lighting for nighttime ball sports (for casual use, when no organised sport is using the space). This goes for many of the parks around the Ryde area.
- No lighting at night.
- IN the past two years there has been a significant spike in the use of the park at nights with unsavoury people/ groups of people loitering and dealing.
- There needs to be tighter security or structures in place to deter unsavoury behaviours"
- No lighting.
- a haven for groups to cone at night and get drunk, smoke various substances, shoot up steroids and be loud and offensive in thir cars on buna st

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Theme 9 | Site maintenance

- **Improve the maintenance of the nets**
- Field is not fully irrigated. This needs to be completed
- The drainage trenches don't work and are too wide. There was a tender 3 or 4 years ago.
- **Need better clasps for netting in cricket nets**
- Keep it clean – no rubbish
- The site is very clean and lush
- **Fix drainage in park**
- Need to fix drainage
- Trees need to be pruned and maintained properly. Dead/falling trees
- Maintain the existing trees – dropping branches and are dangerous
- The swing is too loud – needs some oil
- **Drainage from houses on the hill creates mud near the cricket nets**
- Lots of bindis in the grass
- Toilet cleanliness
- lack of maintenance
- All the rubbish bins are in one spot on the western side of the park so they are easy to be picked up by council.
- "Not mowed often enough on the terraces .
- The drainage and field layout
- Rubbish bins can often be found overflowing.
- The amenities are not very clean and friendly. There is sanitiser or soap available.
- the public toilets could do with a up grade
- Not enough bins. Rubbish lying around after cricket /baseball games
- The rubbish that is left behind.
- Lack of drainage in places after heavy rain, and the risk of serious injury and damage from falling branches of a couple of the large gum trees (one near the south west corner in particular)
- each morning we have to pick up garbage
- The bindis in the grass.
- Can get quite muddy in some areas.
- Relatively clean and well maintained park.
- SPEND SOME MONEY ON THE PARK!"
- **Facilities upgraded recently. Baseball fencing needs maintenance**
- improved water drainage on walk path between playground and playing field
- Tiered area could use a clean up with improved drainage to allow walking on the hills available at all times. Bush near houses on park level needs more regular maintenance/care/planting.
- No money has been spent on the bush land in 40 years.
- There are still some issues of drainage coming down the slopes from the houses. Also, the underground watering system has had very limited success, with obvious blocks causing concentrated green patches and large areas of dry grass in dry periods.
- "The watering/drainage system seems to be a complete waste of money. As you know, this was input a few years ago and the results are embarrassing. The drainage was essential as the base of the playing field is clay, but the drainage works that was undertaken has not covered ALL of the field. In very wet weather, there are large amounts of waterlogged, sloppy grassed area that takes weeks to dry. In addition, at the top of the hills at the western end, there seems to be either a pipe leak underground, or an under ground creek running (maybe part of Buffalo creek??) that floods the area for weeks at a time after rain. Also, the irrigation system that was input at GREAT expense, simply does not work. In dry weather, there are small patches of green lush grass amongst all the chaff coloured grass. We think the green patches are where there is some sort of leak. I have seen guys come to 'repair' these areas over the years without any apparent success. In the 12 months after the system was input, it was the envy of the district, very green through the summer - now it is barren and the parallel trenches that were dug to house the pipes are still evident, as if they were never filled in properly. One of the trenches is very wide and dangerous. The reason for this was that the trench had to be dug with a front end loader, rather than the narrow 'trench digger' as it broke down and weeks past until a front end loader came along. Again, the irrigation is hopeless and does not cover the entire field.

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Theme 10 | Natural environment

- More trees near picnic shelters – but existing trees get vandalized
- Bush regeneration needs to be redone. Trees have died off and its now weedy
- More plants on the hill. Native, bird attracting plants.
- More trees and bush regeneration
- More trees (if we could have Anzac Park)
- Signage of where the creek goes to where it has been piped
- Planting around the perimeter to soften the outlook boundary with residential areas.
- Nice to have some of the old creek restored instead of piped – ie create a pond.
- potential to create a better layout with more trees - a botanic garden type set up, or like central park ry
- Possibly some more flora in the parks would be beneficial.
- More trees
- of the native bush on the slope areas,
- Too many trees in Macauley Park though.
- attracts bird life.
- McCauley Park also has nice bushland vegetation.
- of the native bush on the slope areas,
- No real money has been spent on bush care or wildlife since it changed from a Quarry. “
- “lack of trees/ shade areas/ wildlife habitat.
- All the money is spent on the playing fields and not enough on bush land care and wildlife .
- Bushland maintenance
- Children and others damaging the flora, constantly.
- “that we have a park area that connects a car free corridor across east ryde.
- have often seen Tawny Frog Mouth birds hunting at dusk and large flocks of Galahs and corellas feeding on the grass.
- the area as an ex clay brick quarry is poorly drained but great habitat for frogs when wet.
- it would be good to provide more wilderness areas at the edges of the park. “
- the bushland
- Need more trees through the park
- More plants on the hill – it’s a lost opportunity at the moment
- Please don’t get rid of the trees
- Can we have possum boxes in the trees
- Better use of the incline – maybe as a slide
- Don’t like BBQs. They make the place dirty and cause more issues
- Trees for shade to west of the shelter in the afternoon sun
- Need some embankment planting (low shrubs)
- Trees are planted too close together near the carpark and entrance
- No trees near Buna Street
- Keep open space near the fields
- Consider the type of trees if planting more. Nothing huge – they drop large branches
- i want reseedment of bush and forest type of appearance to feel a natural environment
- inclusion of natural aspect improvements and additions in the way of planting – canopy. This obviously having the dual benefit of shading for park users but assisting our outcomes of increasing canopy connections to our broader biodiversity corridors.
- I think the Bush regeneration program needs to be re-introduced. There was quite a lot of nice bushland, in days gone past but it was stricken with lantern and other weeds. The bulldozers and industrial strength whipper snippers came and hacked the majority of all the vegetation and now it looks ugly and de-nuded. Sure enough, the weeds are marching back. A good suggestion would be to re-commence the bush re-generation program like at the south end of McCauley Park.
- Have more of MacCauley Park as a designated natural area, re-vegetate the terraces of Gannon Park.
- “as a wild life corridor at the head of Buffalo Creek linking towards North Ryde Common.
- there could be more trees and wildlife areas around the perimeter that would not affect the current occasional (weekend) sporting use of the park.
- cut down of vegetation adjacent to the playing field,
- Many years ago a section of the slopes were worked on by a bush regeneration team, with new natives planted and that section has flourished but the section closer to the baseball netting was recently practically bulldozed by grounds staff, perhaps in an attempt to control the infestation of non-native weeds taking over, but with no further maintenance the weeds are just growing back. It would be wonderful if some further bush regen work could be done so the infestation doesn’t spread to the established bush section and to beautify other sections of the surrounding slopes and provide more habitat for native animals and birds.

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15<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Dear Mr Dedes,

**RE: Gannan Park & McCauley Park Masterplan including Sports Field Lighting  
(Northern Sydney Local Health District)**

Thank you for the opportunity to contribute ideas on the Gannan Park & McCauley Park Masterplan including Sports Field Lighting. We commend the City of Ryde Council on the upgrade of this recreation space to better meet the needs of the growing community support and provide more opportunities to lead physically active lifestyles.

Northern Sydney Local Health District (NSLHD) Health Promotion is committed to ensuring that the built environment has a net-positive impact on the health and well-being of individuals and the wider community.

We commend the proposed features in the master plan, in particular:

- The inclusion of drinking fountains at the playground which encourages water consumption.
- Adult fitness equipment at two locations to encourage physical activity for all.
- Increased connectivity with new pathway connection to Buna St and Boyce St to the park
- Retention and relocation of cricket nets, expansion of the playground with nature play elements.
- Seating and park furniture throughout the park including spectator seats.
- Scooter track looping around the park and enhanced vegetation.
- Picnic shelters and upgrading the amenities building.
- Lighting which has minimal light pollution for surrounding residents and allow extended use-of the park into the evening for both structured and unstructured activity.
- Grass trails on each level of embankment to encourage walking.
- Multi-programmable open grass area retained with additional lighting.

It is also noted that this upgrade is in line with recommendations made in the Regional Sportsground Management Strategy undertaken by Northern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (NSROC)<sup>1</sup>. This identified that the reconfiguration of Gannan Park and incorporation of lighting would enable the park to be fully utilised and help to address the shortage of sportsgrounds for structured and unstructured physical activity.

This master plan therefore contributes to healthy place-making which include: getting people active, connecting and strengthening communities and providing healthy food options, which is identified in the Healthy Urban Development Checklist<sup>2</sup>. This is also consistent with the Council's Community Strategic Plan<sup>3</sup> to 'create active places and spaces in town and neighbourhood centres and well-connected open spaces that encourage active lifestyles and social interaction' and the North District Plan<sup>4</sup> which aims to 'increase use of public resources such as open space and community facilities'.

<sup>1</sup> Northern Sydney Region Organisation of Councils (NSROC) (2017) Regional Sportsground Management Strategy <https://nsroc.com.au/wp-content/uploads/NSROC-Regional-Sportsground-Strategy-Review-Dec-2017-Executive-Summary-Action-Plan.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> NSW Health(2009) Healthy Urban Development Checklist - A guide for health services when commenting on development policies, plans and proposals (Available at: <https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/urbanhealth/Publications/healthy-urban-dev-check.pdf>)

<sup>3</sup> City of Ryde Council (2018) Community Strategic Plan 2018-2028 Page 17 Available at: <https://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/Council/Plans-and-Publications/Ryde-2028-Community-Strategic-Plan>

<sup>4</sup> Greater Sydney Commission (2019) North District Plan <https://www.greater.sydney/north-district-plan>



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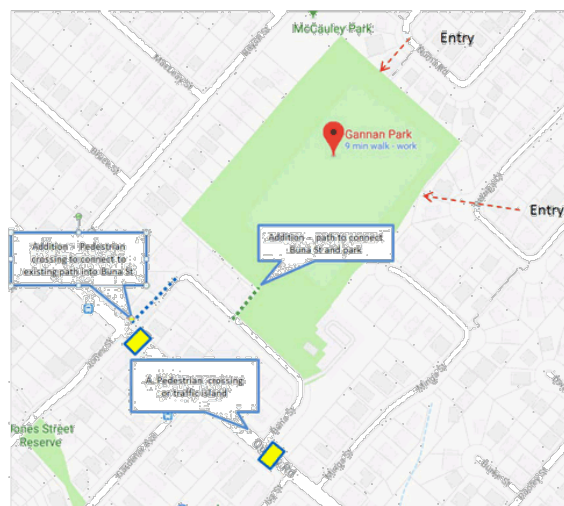
To support the council’s aspirations, we have made some additional recommendations.

**Getting People Active - Active Transport**

A concern expressed by nearby residents is the impact of increased traffic to the area. Therefore, adopting strategies which support active transport such as walking and cycling could help address traffic and parking issues and would be in line with council’s Bicycle and Integrated transport plans.<sup>5,6</sup>

**Recommendations:**

1. End of Trip Provision - provide bicycle parking at the playground, outdoor fitness area and water fountains.
2. Install sufficient way-finding signage to guide pedestrians and cyclists to the park entrances via trail paths particularly from Beripa Close, Minga St, Numa Rd, Boyce St and Jones St to Buna St across Quarry Rd.
3. Consider traffic calming features e.g. traffic islands, pedestrian crossing along Quarry Rd at Jones St and Buna St intersection to enable walkers and cyclists to cross this busy road safely.



4. Incorporate way-finding signage (including distance/time/steepness) to the surrounding bike network and public transport hubs.
5. Consider time-limited or restricted parking on streets surrounding the field to ease car congestion and ensure safe passage. This will be safer for pedestrians, particularly children and encourage active transport.
6. Consider vegetation which is less likely to form a slip hazard with fallen leaves and flowers along the shared paths.
7. Ensure that vegetation around the new shared paths will not have lifting root systems which can damage the path and pose a trip hazard.
8. Ensure that the floodlights do not reduce neighbours’ amenity. Hence the time of night the lights are (automatically) switched off will be an important consideration.

**Strengthening Community - Recreation and Play**

Creating a local space where there are opportunities for incidental neighbourhood interaction can help to reduce social isolation, improve mental wellbeing and create a sense of community<sup>2</sup>. There is strong evidence that increasing green space and vegetation provides physical and mental health benefits.<sup>7</sup>

<sup>5</sup> City of Ryde Council (2014) Bicycle Strategy and Master plan Page 27,28 Available at <https://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/Council/Plans-and-Publications/Ryde-Bicycle-Strategy-and-Masterplan>

<sup>6</sup> City of Ryde Council (2016) Integrated Transport Strategy 2016-31. Page 25 -35 <https://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/Council/Plans-and-Publications/City-of-Ryde-Integrated-Transport-Strategy>

<sup>7</sup> Kleinert, and Horton. "Urban Design: An Important Future Force for Health and Wellbeing." The Lancet 388.10062 (2016): 2848-850. Web.

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Open spaces which encourage intergenerational play can attract users from all age groups and promote physical activity. Co-locating the playground and the proposed fitness gym, will cater for younger and older children. Furthermore, with the recently released 'Everybody can play' guidelines<sup>8</sup>, there is an opportunity to make the recreation area more inclusive and meet the needs of a range of users, including seniors and people with a disability.

**Recommendations:**

9. Ensure outdoor fitness equipment caters to a range of users including seniors and people with disabilities. Provide shading and protection from the sun and heat.
10. Provide seating surrounding playgrounds which is suitable for the needs of a diverse range of users such as providing seating with arm rests and picnic tables suitable for wheelchair users.
11. Ensure paths around the park are suitably wide for prams and wheelchairs.
12. Provide waste disposal bags for dog walkers.

**Community Health and Safety**

In addition to legislative compliance, smoke free and alcohol free public spaces contribute to community safety and wellbeing. A well planned public environment can reinforce positive social behaviour and discourage antisocial behaviour and crime.<sup>2</sup>

**Recommendations:**

13. Follow Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)<sup>9</sup> guidelines by ensuring adequate lighting, eliminating dark and secluded sections and planting either low-lying shrubs or high canopy trees that maintain sight-lines and maximise passive surveillance.
14. Ensure that there are measures such as signage to minimise noise and reinforcement of policies which ensures amenity for surrounding residents.
15. Ensure adequate lighting along shared paths to cater for evening users.
16. That a Smoke-Free Policy under the Local Government Act 1993 will continue to be enforced by council.
17. That Alcohol Free Zones will continue to be enforced by council.

**Providing Healthy Food Options**

The built environment can influence healthy food and drink choices. The provision of spaces such as edible gardens can encourage people to grow some of their own food. It also raises awareness about healthy eating.<sup>2</sup>

**Recommendations:**

18. Provide additional water drinking fountain at the northern end fitness node.
19. Ensure water drinking fountains are suitable for adults and children.
20. Consider incorporating edible gardens as a part of the vegetation plan to encourage healthy eating in the recreation areas.
21. Provide space which could allow for a future community garden for the local community.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide comment on the Gannan Park upgrade. Should you have any queries about this submission please contact me at Ryde Hornsby Health Promotion Unit on 8877 5148 or email [queenystafford@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:queenystafford@health.nsw.gov.au). We look forward to continuing our work with City of Ryde Council to support projects that benefit the health, wellbeing and safety of the community.

Yours sincerely,



Queeny Stafford  
Health Promotion Officer  
Northern Sydney Local Health District

<sup>8</sup> Planning NSW (2019) Everybody Can Play Guidelines Available from: <https://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/Policy-and-Legislation/Open-space-and-parklands/Everyone-Can-Play-in-NSW>

<sup>9</sup> NSW Police (2001) Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) Available from: [https://www.police.nsw.gov.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0003/9390/duappguide\\_s79c.pdf](https://www.police.nsw.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0003/9390/duappguide_s79c.pdf)

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5 April 2019

Meredith Gray  
Open Space Planner  
City of Ryde  
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Via email: [MGray@ryde.nsw.gov.au](mailto:MGray@ryde.nsw.gov.au)

Dear Meredith,

**Re: Gannan Park and McCauley Park Revised Masterplan**

Football NSW is the state governing body of football (soccer) in New South Wales. A member-based organisation we currently have 31 associations throughout the state – 17 of which are in metropolitan Sydney and 14 which are in regional NSW. Recent Federal Government research, 'AusPlay' has put football as the largest team participation sport with some 1.3 million players nationally and over 600,000 players in NSW.

Football is a sport for all ages, with 19% of children aged 0-14 in NSW playing football, a greater number than the other winter outdoor sports combined, e.g. AFL, Rugby League, Rugby union and Hockey. Almost one-quarter of players in NSW are female (AusPlay, 2018).

Ryde is a large football region in terms of participants in NSW, it therefore brings enormous benefits to the community. In fact, our recent analysis shows that the economic contribution of football is valued at over \$8.6 million in the state electorate of Ryde. Our full report on the Community Impact of Football in NSW can be found [here](#).

As stated above, the number of Australians playing our game is soaring, making it the most popular team sport among children and adults in the country.

Gladesville Hornsby Football Association (GHFA) and North West Sydney Women's Football Association (NWSWFA) are 2 of our 31 local football associations across the state and are responsible for governance, competition management and the development of grassroots football in the Gladesville Hornsby region. GHFA and NWSWFA has over 15,000 registered participants (2018). Team registrations for GHFA in 2019 have grown again by 6%

Football is active in every corner of NSW, football transcends race, religion, and gender to create community connections. Football plays an unrivalled role in bringing together the different cultures in Australia. Most pleasingly, the growth of female football in recent years across the state has been remarkable, since 2015 women's participation in football has grown by 21%. Today we see female footballer's make up almost a quarter of all participants across the state.

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Research evaluating the first year of the NSW Government's Active Kids program showed that almost 167,000 children redeemed the \$100 registration voucher for football- almost three times the next ranked sport. On a participation basis we are growing at more than 5% per annum strengthening our position as the number one participation sport in the state and country, and the sport of choice for many families.

To address the future of the game Football NSW, Northern NSW and Capital Football have undertaken a comprehensive NSW/ACT facilities audit to determine the current state of play, develop a plan and provide decision-makers with a clear picture of where there is the greatest need.

A key finding of the 10-month audit was that, based on current participation and annual growth rates, by 2030 Football in NSW will be 700 pitches short and will need to work with Councils and Governments to find additional fields of play for an additional 120,000 participants.

The findings demonstrated that 45% of all pitches had no irrigation and/or drainage, resulting in pitches becoming unplayable. Loss of training nights and match days in some areas is as much as 25% resulting in a less enjoyable football experience and uneven competitions when many matches are cancelled.

The audit results for the City of Ryde highlighted the following:

- 48% of playing fields have no lighting
- 47% of playing fields do not have irrigation and drainage
- 48% of playing fields are below playing standard
- Only 19% of amenities are female friendly

A high level snapshot of the state-wide facilities audit can be seen [here](#).

The Audit revealed the challenges that Footballs growth is putting on our facilities. Pitches across NSW have an average of 155 players per pitch - in some pockets of Sydney this level is as high as 280 players per pitch. Built up areas are facing the highest stress on pitches. In the GHFA/NWSWFA footprint, the player to pitch ratio is 1:166, which is above the state average and one of the highest players to pitch ratios in NSW.

The population of NSW is expected to increase to an estimated 9.9 million in the next 20 years with the population Ryde expected to increase by 58%, which equates to over 62,000 residents. This projected population increase once again highlights the need to increase the capacity of sporting fields across the City of Ryde.

Football NSW fully supports City of Ryde's Gannan Park and McCauley Park Revised Masterplan particularly the inclusion of sports field lighting. The addition of lighting at Gannan Park will allow this sporting field to be used after the hours of 5pm during the winter season where currently it isn't. New lighting at Gannan Park will add 20 hours of potential usage during the week which is greatly needed for the local football community.

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We strongly urge City of Ryde to allocate Gannan Park to local football clubs particularly in the winter season to assist the demand for local football clubs. Opening additional sporting fields will certainly play a large part in reducing the strain across the LGA but also provide much needed facilities for the community in the future.

Football certainly requires additional football facilities generally across NSW as our recent facilities audit unveiled. We urge City of Ryde to continue increasing the capacity of all sporting fields across the LGA as the population steadily grows over the next 20 years.

Congratulations to the City of Ryde for developing the draft masterplan for Gannan Park and McCauley and we look to forward to the redevelopment of Gannan Park into football fields with floodlighting.

For any further questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact me via email on [danielr@footballfacilities.com.au](mailto:danielr@footballfacilities.com.au) or Phone: 8814 4451.

Yours sincerely,

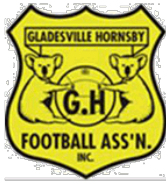


Daniel Ristic  
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Football NSW



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1 April 2019

Mr George Dedes  
General Manager  
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Via email: [MGray@ryde.nsw.gov.au](mailto:MGray@ryde.nsw.gov.au)

**Re: Gannan Park and McCauley Park Revised Masterplan**

Gladesville Hornsby Football Association is responsible for the management of Football (soccer) competitions in the North West area of Sydney and has 12 clubs located in the City of Ryde area with a total of 4,924 registered players in 400 teams in 2018. Whilst registrations are not finalised for 2019, the number of teams entered from Ryde clubs has grown this year by 6% and we expect a corresponding increase in player registrations.

We run competitions for all ages from U6s to Over 45s and have introduced initiatives such as Walking Football and Masters Football to provide playing opportunities for people over 50 years of age.

In conjunction with our parent body Football NSW, we completed an audit of facilities in 2018. Amongst other findings it revealed that on average, pitches in the GHFA area have 166 players per pitch which is in excess of the state average of 155 players per pitch.

This shortfall is also demonstrated at club level, with a number of Ryde clubs not being able to accommodate all of their teams for training and weekend home matches on their allocated fields, which forces them to play home matches outside the City of Ryde area.

GHFA appreciates the recent support of the City of Ryde in providing the synthetic fields at Christie Park and ELS Hall Park. These fields have enabled many matches to be shifted away from grass fields and has assisted in addressing the shortfall in fields – for example in 2018, a total of 127 local club matches were played at Christie Park, where previously only finals were played when there were grass fields there.

The synthetic fields have also enabled us to cater for an ever-increasing demand for mid-week summer competitions, and in its first year we had 70 teams and 341 players at the Christie Park competition.



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It is obvious the potential population growth in the City of Ryde area with the high-rise residential developments occurring around us. This will only add to the pressure on the number of sports fields required in the area in the future.

Therefore, GHFA fully supports the Gannan Park and McCauley Park Masterplan and the inclusion of Gannan Park sports field lighting. The inclusion of lighting will allow this field to be used after hours and add 20 hours of potential usage during the week. For the reasons outlined above, we also urge City of Ryde to allocate Gannan Park to local football clubs in the winter season to assist the training and playing demands for local football clubs.

We appreciate the ongoing support provided by the City of Ryde for our playing community through recent field and lighting upgrades at a number of venues and look forward to the implementation of the draft masterplan for Gannan Park and McCauley Park.

Kind regards



**Mark Lockie**  
General Manager

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NWSWF Association  
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16<sup>th</sup> April 2019

To Whom It May Concern,

North West Sydney Women's Football Association would like to lend it's support to the installation of lighting of Gannan Park.

We have 3,000 players and our clubs are really struggling for training space. Installation of lighting at Gannan Park would ease the training requirements.

In addition, our ladies/girls often require night make up games. Presently, the venues we have for night games are coping with the overflow of club training. To that end having another space that could be used for night games would be greatly appreciated by all.

Our sport is growing year on year and council will be unable to meet our requirements if we don't look at enabling more parks with lighting.

Should you require any additional information regarding our player numbers etcetera, please do not hesitate to contact me via email [nswwf@bigpond.com](mailto:nswwf@bigpond.com) or phone 0416 038 080.

Kindest regards,

*Denise Robinson*  
*NWSWF General Manager*



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Ms Meredith Gray  
Open Space Planner  
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12 April 2019

Dear Meredith,

**Re: Gannan Park Master Plan**

Gladesville Ryde Magic FC currently participates in the National Premier League competitions conducted by Football NSW. GRM also offers the FNSW Skill Acquisition Phase program for age groups Under 9 and Under 12. GRM offers local grassroots players a pathway to representative football and has increased its membership annually.

In 2018, GRM initiated a development program for local players that further increased membership and will inevitably increase the GRM requirement for access to floodlit sports fields for training and matches.


During its tenure at Magdala Park, GRM has been a conscientious user and community citizen. GRM meets its obligations to RCC as user in a timely and financial manner. In addition, GRM has made considerable contribution to the improvement of facilities at Magdala Park by providing funds for lighting, improving and installing spectator seating and assisting with ground maintenance.

We have canvassed the views of our club community regarding the Gannan Park Master Plan and we have received overwhelming support. The signatures of club members and supporters are being currently collated. At this stage, we anticipate the support to exceed **300** individuals.

It has been resolved by the GRM Board, members and club community that the Gannan Park Master Plan should be strongly supported. GRM would also like to be considered as a primary user of the proposed redeveloped facility.

We would be happy to communicate our support at a Council meeting.

Yours sincerely,

  
**Chris Voukidis**  
Gladesville Ryde Magic FC

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**Gladesville Ryde Magic FC - 2012 State League Division One Premiers and Grand Final Winners**



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**NORTH RYDE SOCCER CLUB**

*EST. 1953*

PO Box 6597, North Ryde NSW 2113

**RE – Gannan Park**

North Ryde Soccer Club is writing in support of the proposal to install two football (soccer) fields at Gannan Park. We note in the Master Plan that the site has capacity to fit two fields.

Our membership is currently 623 and has grown 44% in 9 seasons or, a 4% annual increase year on year. This is natural growth. At this rate, disregarding the increase in high density property development, we will have 1000 players in the next 10 years.

With access to North Ryde Oval and the occasional use of Magdala, as at 2018, we are unable to cope with the training and playing demands of our current membership. North Ryde Oval is overloaded and as a result, quickly deteriorates early in the season to the point where, visiting clubs this year petitioned the GHFA to have the ground deemed unplayable. To alleviate this, a club working bee (comprised of the usual few volunteers) was established to fill in the holes, on a weekly basis. For lunchtime recreation, the workplaces near North Ryde Station also use North Ryde oval on a daily basis and to a lesser extent, contribute to the deterioration of the playing surface.

If we factor in natural growth as well as the multiple high density property developments, especially along Epping Road with our club closest to that growth corridor, we anticipate that applications for short to medium term club membership will hasten our growth significantly.

The need for further playing fields is now critical and as there is a severe shortage of fields with quality lighting in the area, the installation of lighting at Gannan Park is encouraged.

Yours Faithfully

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**RYDE SAINTS UNITED FC**

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Dear Council,

RUSFC would like to put there hand to use the Gannan Park facilities. As we have base at Pidding Park, we also have used Smalls Road for the past few seasons. Unfortunately Small Rd does not have the correct facilities for us to use. Gannan Park is literally a couple of blocks from Pidding Park. This would come in handy for us to play most of our games on a Saturdays.

This would make sense for us as our club is based primarily in the Ryde area. Us as a club would help out if Council needs to make any significant changes to accommodate.

Please do not hesitate to call, if you require anymore assistance on this matter.

Regards,

John Zappala

RSUFC Club President

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**From:** [Ryde Eastwood Baseball Club](#)  
**To:** [Meredith Gray](#)  
**Subject:** Letter of support for Gannan Park master plan  
**Date:** Thursday, 4 July 2019 2:35:57 PM

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**To:** The City of Ryde

**Re:** Gannan Park, Buna Street, Ryde MASTERPLAN

**From:** Luis Almenara  
President  
Ryde Eastwood Baseball Club Inc.  
abn 75 221 449 631

**Date:** 4 July 2019

The Ryde Eastwood Baseball Club has been a hirer of Gannan Park for over 25 years, the ground is hired for senior afternoon baseball for both Saturday and Sunday from 12 noon to 5 pm during the Winter season which is run by the Pacific Coast Baseball League Inc, and operates from April to August each year.

The RE is a senior club which runs over the 2 seasons operated under the PCBL Summer and Winter, during Summer RE hires ELS Hall park Oval 2 and over the past 3 years Waterloo park.

The club operated in senior baseball only and currently has 9 teams, with around 350 registered player of which 105 are currently participating in the PCBL Winter 2019 Season.

The start of the hiring of Gannan Park was when there was no set playing field, the diamond was placed in the mid-west side of the park. Later the ground was repositioned to its present location south-west and the club members erected the current back net and dugout areas. The Ryde Council in around 2005-2010 completed a side fencing extension and rebuilt the dugouts. Gannan Park has served very well the needs for baseball in the area, being the main winter ground. The club enjoys a very good relationship with all park residents. However due the council's policy over the recent past 10 years on increased vegetation it has become a problem with an increasing amount on the cost expended on baseballs being lost.

About 2-3 years ago the Ryde Council began to address a masterplan for Gannan Park for an alternate sport use.

Our baseball club was approached and a solution to surrender the ground was put, this encompassed 2 changes:

- 1) Improve and increase the baseball facilities at Magdala Park by building a second senior diamond on the far south west side, plus extended toilets, storage room; and
- 2) Enabling Magdala Park as a full year use for baseball.

Over recent years due to the increased number players our club took over the Summer Season weekend afternoon hire of Waterloo Park. The ground was previously hired by another local club Macquarie Saints Baseball Club , who has full year exclusive hire use of Pioneer Park. However our club has found that Waterloo Park is not suitable for senior baseball, mostly due to the location chosen by council to accommodate a fitness training unit and children play ground, plus the increased number of resident users of the park.



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Note our club along with the Ryde Hawks Baseball Club shares the use of ELS Hall Park Oval 2 during the Summer season.

Please note that I am also the President of the Pacific Coast Baseball Club, local clubs Ryde Eastwood, Macquarie Saints and North Ryde RSL are the 3 clubs in the Ryde Council areas. These clubs jointly have 822 playing members of which 210 currently participate in the Winter season. The Ryde Council is also the hub for the area representative junior and senior state league baseball, thus participation is growing. It is the aim for the PCBL to support any move towards full year baseball facilities. Baseball fields require a much larger infrastructure that most other sports and as such it becomes costly for clubs and council if ground cannot have the capital works necessary which a fully dedicated ground would have. The PCBL Executive Committee is fully briefed on the proposed master plan.

It is for the above reasons that the Ryde Eastwood Baseball Club and Pacific Coast Baseball Club fully supports the Gannan Park and Magdala Park master plan which will provide us with an alternative full year use of a new (replacement) baseball ground. Plus provide a full time ground per sport thus major economies for both Users and council with no change over issues, leading to lower maintenance costs. We will continue to work with Council and are happy to relocate baseball from Gannan Park which we believe will help to achieve a better long term outcome for the sport of baseball.

Our club and PCBL is always pleased to participate and cooperate with officers of the Ryde Council with respect of sporting grounds usage. I personally assist in several committee groups and have found utmost understanding and cooperation, and trust we will continue to improve the facilities the City of Ryde provides the baseball sporting community. Always finding the council staff reachable and willing to assist. Thanks you.

Your sincerely

Regards  
Luis Almenara  
President

**Ryde Eastwood Baseball Club**

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Meredith Gray  
Open Space Planner  
Ryde Council  
Via email – [mgray@ryde.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mgray@ryde.nsw.gov.au)

15 April, 2019

Dear Meredith,

Re: Gannan Park and McCauley Park Masterplan

Whilst we acknowledge that this will see the removal of a dedicated baseball diamond in the council area, we support the afore mentioned proposal on condition on the following:

- Soccer will be moved from Magdala Park in winter season which will allow for a year-round dedicated baseball facility. This removes the issues currently experienced by cross use of the space which include: clashes with changeover periods; damage caused to the baseball nets by soccer balls; theft / damaged items in the canteen areas; danger to other users from stray flyballs as experienced at other fields.
- Remodelling of Magdala park to allow for additional senior sized baseball diamonds; and multiple junior sized diamonds. We also believe that this would be a more acceptable site for lighting suitable for small ball sports as there will be minimal impact to residents as compared to other existing baseball fields in the council area. Lighting will allow for more playing and training time as we currently only have one suitably lit baseball field in the area. Which is currently used to capacity.

I hope this information allows for Council to steer their decision making in a direction which supports all sports in the area.

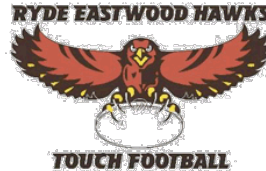
Kind Regards,



David Nelson, President

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Gannan Park & McCauley Park Masterplan including Sports Field Lighting

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7 April, 2019

**To: Meredith Gray**  
Cc: Stephen Alderton  
Delivered by email

In relation to the proposed changes to Gannan Park: Ryde Eastwood Hawks Touch Association Inc. supports the implementation of the proposed revised masterplan for Gannan and McCauley Parks. Ryde Eastwood Hawks Touch would be very interested in using the fields in the winter if there were two floodlit rugby/soccer sized fields available.

Our association has for a number of years been keen to increase the opportunity for our members who live within the Ryde Council area to play their sport over the entire year rather than just in the summer.

By enabling us to conduct a winter competition Ryde Council would be further enhancing the benefits that the residents of Ryde Council are already experiencing through playing in our summer competition which is conducted at Morrison Bay Park.

Touch football is a sport that can be played all year round and is a sport which brings together a range of benefits for the participants including but not limited to increased physical fitness and improved wellbeing. Touch Football is a thrilling sport that allows people of all walks of life to achieve their goals; whether that is the thrill of challenging oneself to compete at their best, the thrill of a fast, skilful and exhilarating sport, the thrill of meeting new people or of being a part of something that can span a lifetime.

Touch Football is an inclusive sport which anyone and everyone can play, no matter age, gender, experience or ability. Touch Football also caters for persons who may suffer from a disability or some form of impairment. The inclusive nature of Touch Football ensures there is a place on the field for everyone.

Touch Football creates a social environment which few sports can rival. Playing with friends, family, even total strangers is a significant part of the game. Men and women can play together in the same side, just as parents can play with their children. The Touch Football family spreads far and wide, it only takes a game or two to realise how special the sport is and how welcoming and considerate its people are of one another.

Touch Football is a sport which for generations has involved families at all stages in life. It provides the opportunity for everyone in the family to be involved and even play together in weekly

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competitions. Mums and Dads can play with their sons and daughters, with even grandparents and grandchildren running around together in park competitions across the country.

Touch Football has a number of inherent mental and physical benefits, which can improve the longevity of a person's life. Touch Footballers are constantly on the move, walking, running, jumping, stepping and everything in between. The fast paced nature of the sport ensures participants are always getting a workout no matter what they are doing.

If Ryde Eastwood Hawks Touch Association was given the opportunity to use the fields during the winter then we would be only too happy to work with our National and State bodies to try to arrange a grant to assist in the provision of lighting for the fields.

If Ryde Council would care to talk to us about the proposal please contact Paul Wines (Secretary) on 0407 564 442.

Yours sincerely,

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17 April 2019

The General Manager  
City of Ryde Council  
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Dear Sir/Madam,

**INNER WEST HARBOUR CRICKET ASSOCIATION - SUBMISSION TO DRAFT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT FOR GANNAN & MCCAULEY PARK**

Further to our submission of 23 May 2018, this letter is an updated submission to the draft Plan of Management for the redevelopment of Gannan Park. Inner West Harbour Cricket Association (Association) is a major user of Gannan Park and any Plan of Management will have direct and indirect impacts on the Association and cricket in the City of Ryde.

As part of the proposed redevelopment of Gannan Park, Council has been required to provide a draft Plan of Management to reflect the proposed upgrades to the park. We again commend Council for its commitment to redevelop and revitalise Gannan Park into a more broadly used public facility. We support Council's commitment to providing more recreational facilities in Ryde.

We have reviewed the draft Gannan & McCauley Park Plan of Management and raise the following key matters:

- Impact of proposed sports field lighting on the playing area for cricket;
- Impact of additional soccer field's on the playing of summer sport at Gannan

The proposed installation of sports field lighting has the potential to increase usage of the playing field and impact upon the quality of the playing surface. Whilst the association supports appropriate usage of the field we are very keen to ensure the quality of the playing surface is not compromised due to an increase in usage. In this regard we request Council employs strategies to ensure the quality of the playing surface is maintained and that any programme for turf replacement works is undertaken to minimise any disturbance on summer sports field users.

In addition we note the proposal to provide for two soccer fields. We commend Council for orientating the fields so as not to impact adversely on the existing cricket wicket. However our concerns regarding impact on the playing surface due to increased usage remain as highlighted above. The impact of soccer on fields within the City of Ryde cannot be underestimated and remains an ongoing concern for the Association.

We support Council's initiative to improve the quality of recreational facilities, however we feel our concerns should be considered accordingly and form part of Council's final Plan of Management for Gannan and McCauley Park.

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If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me on 0407 294 916.

Yours sincerely,



**Ben Woods**  
President  
Inner West Harbour Cricket Association



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15 April 2019

To Whom It May Concern,

I write in response to the Council's masterplan for Gannan Park.

The cricket club has witnessed a dramatic increase in sportsground use over the past few years, with particular pressure on cricket nets. We have found that good quality nets are in high demand and are pleased with Council's proposal to increase the number of nets. We have also witnessed pressure on grounds in general, so the additional facilities at Gannan would help to alleviate pressure on other grounds and to meet growing need in the future.

We suggest that you also install an electric powerpoint at the nets so that users can plug in a bowling machine. Some users currently use generators at nets to power bowling machines, but generators make a fair bit of noise and would affect local residents.

Best regards,

Philip G Mundy  
Secretary | West Ryde Rovers Cricket Club

**ITEM 7 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 7**

17 April 2019

The General Manager  
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Dear Sir/Madam,

**INNER WEST HARBOUR CRICKET ASSOCIATION - SUBMISSION TO DRAFT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT FOR GANNAN & MCCAULEY PARK**

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This letter is a submission to the draft Plan of Management for the redevelopment of Gannan Park. Ryde Hunters Hill Cricket Club (Club) is a major user of Gannan Park and the proposed Plan of Management will impact our Club.

As part of the proposed redevelopment of Gannan Park, Council has been required to provide a draft Plan of Management to reflect the proposed upgrades to the park. We applaud Council for its commitment to redevelop and revitalise Gannan Park to better benefit the broader community.

We have reviewed the draft Gannan & McCauley Park Plan of Management and comment as follows.

The proposed installation of sports field lighting has the potential to increase usage of the playing field and impact upon the quality of the playing surface. Whilst the association supports appropriate usage of the field we are very keen to ensure the quality of the playing surface is not compromised due to an increase in usage. In this regard we request Council employs strategies to ensure the quality of the playing surface is maintained and that any programme for turf replacement works is undertaken to minimise any disturbance on summer sports field users.

In addition we note the proposal to provide for two soccer fields. We commend Council for orientating the fields so as not to impact adversely on the existing cricket wicket. However our concerns regarding impact on the playing surface due to increased usage remain as highlighted above.

We commend the proposal to improve cricket practice facilities and see the proposed improvements as a huge positive for our Club and cricket players within the City of Ryde.

We trust the matters raised above will be considered accordingly and form part of Council's final Plan of Management for Gannan and McCauley Park.

**ITEM 7 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 7**

Yours sincerely



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**8 CHILDREN'S PLAY PLAN - 2019 Update - To Place on Public Exhibition**

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**Report prepared by:** Senior Coordinator - Park Planning  
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**REPORT SUMMARY**

In 2013, Council adopted the Children's Play Implementation Plan (the Plan) with the aim of ensuring the provision of safe, accessible and sustainable high quality playgrounds, equitable distribution across the City and play value for all residents. The recommendations of the Plan assists Council with budget planning and programming for playground improvements, replacements and maintenance – all guided by a strategic approach.

In July 2018 Council resolved to review the Plan. This resolution coincided with the NSW Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) releasing the Everyone Can Play Guideline (ECPG) in 2018. The aim of ECPG is to ensure as many people as possible, despite their age, ability or cultural background, feel invited and challenged by playgrounds in their community. It moves beyond the traditional notion of an All Abilities playground, which is largely focused on accessibility compliance and catering specifically for children and adults with disabilities. The ECPG is based on three principles; Can I get there, Can I play and Can I stay. By ensuring these principles are utilised during the design phase of a new playground, all new play spaces can be inclusive to all members of the community.

Council engaged AECOM to undertake a 5 year update (the 2019 Update) and to incorporate the ECPG into the document. The Update encompassed revision of the following areas of the Plan; strategic framework, design framework, playground distribution and plan. A Project Control Group (PCG) was established, comprising members of the Mayor's Play Panel, Councillors and staff. The PCG met 3 times during the project and have assisted in guiding the development of the document.

The review has resulted in the following adjustments to the Plan;

- Incorporating inclusion within the priorities for the Plan, to reflect the ECPG.
- The design framework has been revised, incorporating that all regional playgrounds are to be fully inclusive, district playgrounds have inclusive elements, that all new playgrounds have 50% shade over the playground area, incorporation of a formal enclosure adjacent street/hazard if playground is within 30m of road (full enclosure if playground within 30m of ≥60km/h road) and easily trafficable surfaces to key play experiences.

**ITEM 8 (continued)**

- Playground distribution has been adjusted to address the rapidly increasing population of the City. The 2013 Plan recommended a total number of playgrounds of 88 out of 110 be retained. By 2019, the City had closed 13 playgrounds, reducing the total number to 97. The Update proposes to retain all remaining existing playgrounds and add 2 new playgrounds, totaling 99 playgrounds. Of these, 8 playgrounds will be maintained until the end of their functional life and not upgraded or replaced when they are determined to be unsafe. The distribution analysis considered the impacts of high density residential by reducing distribution from 400m to 200m within these areas and analysed barriers to walkability such as main roads and train lines.
- The implementation of the Plan has been updated, considering level of service, distribution of population, the distribution of inclusive play and equitable upgrades across the City. Where multiple playgrounds are closely located, the playground that offers a preferred location, better surveillance opportunities, access, existing features, and facilities has been prioritised.

Other changes of note identified in the Update are;

- Reducing the future Magdala Playground upgrade from a District to a Local Playground. This is justified as North Ryde Park and Blenheim Park are nearby and contain Destination Playgrounds.
- Monash Park playground will become a District Playground.
- Incorporation of Lachlan's Line playgrounds into the document.
- Expansion with new playgrounds within Helene Park, Meadowbank (local, future delivery) and in Kings Park, Denistone East (neighbourhood, delivery 2019/20).

At its meeting on 26 February 2019, Council resolved to include the investigation into the feasibility of a new water play park in the Ryde LGA within the Review of the Play Plan. In response to this resolution, Council is advised that the northern playground within Putney Park has been identified for a major refurbishment as a High priority and will be included in the next iteration of Council's Four Year Delivery plan, with Water Play components considered as part of the detailed design. Additionally, within the 2019-23 Delivery Plan the budget for Meadowbank Park Regional playground has been increased to allow for the investigation of water play.

The financial implications of these recommendations of the Update are explored within this report. These are summarised as;

- The total number of playgrounds maintained by Council will increase by two – one local and one neighbourhood. This has a total impact of ~1% on the total asset value of playgrounds. This is considered within Council's financial capacity.

**ITEM 8 (continued)**

- The changes to the design framework result in an increase of ~8.3% of the overall asset value for playgrounds. Over 75% of this increase is due to changes to Regional (now all abilities) and District (some inclusive elements), where the construction costs for these playgrounds will increase. This increase is outside of Council's currently identified funding for Playground Renewals. Therefore, delivery of these playgrounds to the full design principles of the Children's Play Plan will require external funding such as government grants.

As such, this report recommends that Council place the draft Children's Play Plan 2019 on public exhibition for a period of 28 days. If no objections are received, Council should adopt the updated Children's Play Plan. Should any objections be received to the Update, a report on the public exhibition be brought back to Council.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That the draft Children's Play Plan 2019 be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.
- (b) That Council thank the members of the Project Control Group for their participation in the project.
- (c) That should no objections be received during public exhibition, Council adopt the Children's Play Plan 2019.
- (d) That Council seek funding for upgrades to the existing Destination Playgrounds to improve their accessibility and inclusiveness through the NSW Department of Planning and Environment's Everyone Can Play grants.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 Play Plan 2019 for Council adoption (21 June 2019) - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER

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## ITEM 8 (continued)

### History

Council commissioned the 2013 Children's Play Implementation Plan (the Plan) to guide its approach to the provision of play. The need for this study was highlighted as a high priority in the recently completed Integrated Open Space Plan 2012 (IOSP) for addressing the community's recreational needs.

The Plan was prepared when Council maintained 110 playgrounds within 96 parks scattered across the City without consideration of accessibility or equitable distribution. This resulted in areas of oversupply and undersupply. As such, decommissioning's were identified to strategically consolidate the total number of playgrounds, ensuring all residents had equitable access to a variety of playgrounds.

The Plan demonstrated that Council understood the importance of playgrounds, as places for play and social interaction as reflected in their Play Vision which advocates "supporting and nurturing child friendly communities through play". The City is committed to ensuring that there are sufficient and suitable spaces and facilities for children to play freely and opportunities for the community to engage socially.

The Plan defined two types of playgrounds: Everyday and Destination. An Everyday playground typically caters for a younger age group (0 – 12 yrs), is small, easily accessible and within walking distance of local residents. Destination playgrounds cater to all ages and abilities, are larger, more diverse and complex and supported by infrastructure such as car parking and toilets. These playgrounds draw residents from the broader City catchment and beyond, often by car or public transport.

At its meeting on 24 July 2018, Council resolved, in part, the following;

- (a) *That the Play Panel Members be included in the consultation process for the delivery of Playgrounds during the 2018/19 Program and the scheduled review of the Children's Play Implementation Plan.*
- (c) *That the Children's Play Implementation Plan give particular consideration to site conditions to ensure suitability for any proposed upgrade.*
- (d) *That as part of the Children's Play Implementation Plan review, Council staff and the Play Panel suggest modifications that can be made to incorporate some inclusive play elements into existing regional and district level playgrounds. Funding for these modifications to be sought through the State Government's Open Spaces and Greener Sydney program.*
- (e) *That Council support the Panel's recommendation that all future regional playgrounds be all inclusive and that district playgrounds have inclusive elements and that this be addressed in the Children's Play Implementation Plan.*

**ITEM 8 (continued)****5 Year Update (the Update)**

In accordance with section 5.2 of the Plan, Council scheduled a 5 year update of the Plan in 2018/19. This was coupled with the Council resolution of 24 July 2018 and the release of the ECPG by the NSW Government. Council engaged AECOM to undertake the update.

The Update was structured in the following manner;

Strategic Framework

The Strategic Framework was reviewed and updated to incorporate the ECPG. The existing priorities for the plan (safety, distribution, site suitability and cost efficiencies) have now been expanded to include Inclusion.

Design Framework

The Design Framework has been adjusted so that all future Regional playgrounds are fully inclusive and District playgrounds have inclusive elements. In addition, the ECPG have been incorporated. Changes made include the incorporation that all levels of new playgrounds have;

- Shade: 50% shade prioritising for sand, rubber softfall and slide areas. Natural shade from existing tree canopy should be utilised where possible, with additional trees planted to supplement.
- Boundary enclosure: all playgrounds now have a sense of boundary enclosure by using mounds, boulders, trees and plantings. If any playground is within 30m of a  $\geq 60$ km per hour road it must be fenced.
- Transitions: Easily trafficable surfaces should be provided to key play experiences.
- Seating: Back and arm rests required on the majority of seats.

Other minor adjustments to the priority of provision for each playground level have been made to address discrepancies in the 2013 Plan.

**ITEM 8 (continued)**Playground Distribution

The 2013 Plan was prepared prior to the creation of the North District Plan and the identified population increase within the City of Ryde of 43.1% by 2036. In addition, it was developed in the context of addressing the burgeoning playground asset base, increasing operational expenditure and the context of Council preparing for a Special Rate Variation (SRV) application to IPART. This SRV was in part to meet the identified shortfall in funding needed to renew Council's Assets including playgrounds. The Update incorporates the impacts of the increasing population and how residents in high density developments live. This is reflected in a 200m walkability catchment for playgrounds within high density areas.

The Update also reconsidered the radial 400m walking catchment area of playgrounds and applied a new walkability catchment. This change utilises the road network and considers barriers such as railways and major roads to truly reflect walkability/accessibility. The catchment for each level of playground remains unchanged. In effect, this change now truly represents walkability catchments.

The Update maintains two distinct types of playgrounds, Destination and Everyday. Destination playgrounds draw residents from the broader City catchment and visitors to the City often by car or public transport, and offer diverse play facilities and greater supporting infrastructure such as car parking and toilets. Everyday playgrounds are easily accessible, and within walking distance of local residences.

The distribution of inclusive playgrounds has also been considered in the Update. By selectively incorporating some inclusive play elements in two neighbourhood playgrounds (Janet Park and Heatley Reserve), the vast majority of the City is serviced by an inclusive playgrounds on an equitable basis.

Playgrounds beyond the Ryde LGA have also been identified, recognizing the fact that these are utilized by residents from within the Ryde LGA..

The distribution of playgrounds now reflects the resistance associated with playground decommissionings. The 2013 Plan included recommendations for 22 playgrounds to be closed. Of the 22, 13 have been decommissioned over the last 6 years, with 9 remaining. The Update no longer contains decommissionings, rather recommends these playgrounds to be retained until the end of their functional life. These playgrounds will not be upgraded or replaced when they are deemed unsafe, through the annual audit undertaken by an external contractor.

The revised total number of playgrounds recommended by the Update is 99, comprised of 5 Regional, 18 District, 31 Neighbourhood, and 45 Local. The financial impact of this change is explored further within this report. The 2013 Plan recommended 88 playgrounds.

**ITEM 8 (continued)**

Other changes of note identified in the Update are;

- Reducing the future Magdala Playground upgrade from a District to a Local Playground. This is justified as North Ryde Park and Blenheim Park are nearby and contain Destination Playgrounds.
- Monash Park playground will be become a District Playground.
- Incorporation of Lachlan's Line playgrounds into the document.
- Expansion with new playgrounds within Helene Park, Meadowbank (local, future delivery) and in Kings Park, Denistone East (neighbourhood, delivery 2019/20).

**Implementation Plan**

The purpose of the Implementation Plan is to guide Council's capital renewal of playgrounds in an equitable way. This has been updated with a new prioritisation matrix for playground upgrades. Safety remains the driving force for playground renewals. In addition, new considerations have been made regarding whether the works fill a walkability distribution or an Everyone Can Play gap. Works are prioritised as High (0 -4 years), Medium (5- 7 years) and Low (>8 years).

Additionally, new actions have been identified to refine the intention of the Plan.

Projects are now grouped into 5 categories;

- Expansion: new playground where no current playground exists.
- Replace: Complete replacement of an existing playground within a park. The location of the new playground is subject to detailed site assessment.
- Major adjustments: Replacement of more than 50% of the playground.
- Minor adjustment: Minor upgrade to existing playground without significant changes to the playground.
- No changes: No changes to existing playground.

The Update identifies 67 actions for Council to undertake. Of these 36 are High, 20 Medium and 11 Low. Of the High priority actions, over 66% are minor adjustments to be made to existing playgrounds. These works include the installation of seats, arm rests on existing seats, connection of playgrounds to footpaths and planting of trees to improve shade. All identified actions will increase the accessibility and inclusivity of Council's playgrounds.

**Project Control Group (PCG)**

A PCG was formed with 4 members of the Mayors Play Panel as well as 3 member Councillors. During these meetings, the PCG provided direction on various aspects to be considered during the Update including distribution of playgrounds, refinement to the Design Framework and the Implementation Plan. The PCG meet 3 times during the course of the Update.

**ITEM 8 (continued)****Inclusive Adjustments to Existing Regional and District Playground (Resolution Part D)**

As part of the Update, AECOM undertook site audits of Council's existing Regional and District Playgrounds and identified works required to install some pieces of inclusive equipment. These recommendations have been incorporated into the prioritisation matrix associated with the Implementation Plan. As identified in the resolution, these projects require grant funding to be implemented.

All future Regional playgrounds will be inclusive and District playgrounds will include inclusive elements. All playgrounds will be design to align to the ECPG.

**Play Provision for Young People**

During the Update process, the issue of play provision for young people was raised. Through discussions with the PCG and with the consultant, it was agreed that due to importance and scope of this matter, Council should prepare a separate report focusing purely on play for young people. As such, the Update identifies existing facilities that provide for young people but does not provide recommendations on the type of infrastructure, expansion or distribution of these spaces.

**Response to Notices of Motion**

At its meeting on 26 February 2019, Council unanimously resolved;

- (a) *That Council include in the current review of the Children's Play Implementation Plan an investigation into the feasibility of a new water play park in the Ryde LGA.*
- (b) *That the results of the investigation be reported back to Council with the draft of the Children's Play Plan.*

In response to this resolution, Council is advised that the northern playground within Putney Park has been identified for a major refurbishment as a High priority. Additionally, within the 2019-23 Delivery Plan the budget for Meadowbank Park Regional playground has been increased to allow for the investigation of water play.

**Delivery Plan Integration**

The Plan's revised implementation matrix will be used during the business planning process for the 2020/21 Operational year and beyond. This will result in changes to the planned renewal projects. Due consideration will be given to existing planned projects of community interest.

## ITEM 8 (continued)

### Financial Implications

As identified above, the financial implications of the adjustments to the number of playgrounds results in a 1% increase to total asset value which is considered within Council financial capacity.

Playground Level	2019 Playground Distribution	Change	2019 Update Distribution
Local	44	+1	45
Neighbourhood	30	+1	31
District	18	-	18
Regional	5	-	5

The proposed adjustments to the design framework for playgrounds requires an additional ~8.3% (~\$2.47m) increase to the total asset value. This is beyond the financial capacity of the existing playground reserve. Over 75% of this required additional funding is due to the adjustments to Regional and District playgrounds. The additional budget required funds the 50% shade to playgrounds, make an allowance for boundary enclosure, and easily trafficable transitions between pathways and equipment.

As such, to deliver the full scope of the design framework recommended in the Update, Destination projects will become reliant on grant funding to be fully realised. An overview of the funding difference is provided in the table below;

Playground Type	Playground Level	2013 Play Plan Framework (2019/20 dollars)	Increase as a Percentage	2019 Update Framework (2019/20 dollars)
Everyday	Local	\$95,000	5%	\$99,750
	Neighbourhood	\$205,000	5%	\$215,250
Destination	District	\$630,000	7.5%	\$677,250
	Regional	\$1,575,000	10%	\$1,732,500

An alternative approach would be to reduce the spatial size of each level of playground or to readjust the design framework. Neither of these changes are recommended due to the increasing population of the City and that the design framework now aligns to the ECPG.

Council applied for funding through the Everyone Can Play grant for ANZAC Park playground but was unsuccessful.



**ITEM 8 (continued)****Public Exhibition**

To ensure the wider community has the opportunity to provide input in the Update, it is proposed to place the Update on public exhibition. Notification will be placed within the local newspaper and advertised on Council's Have Your Say webpage.

Should no objections to the Update be received, it is recommended that Council adopt the updated Children's Play Implementation Plan. Should objections be received, a further report will be presented to Council after the conclusion of the exhibition period.

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**9 SOCIAL INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP  
RESIGNATIONS**

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**Report prepared by:** Community Project Officer - Social Inclusion  
**File No.:** CLR/07/8/101/1/16 - BP19/755

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

The Social Inclusion Advisory Committee consists of twenty four (24) members. Following the meeting of this Committee on 5 June 2019, Council has received two (2) resignations.

This report seeks Council's endorsement of the resignation of the two (2) committee members.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council endorses the resignation of Ms Karen Cowling and Ms Carmen Platt from the Social Inclusion Advisory Committee.

**ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

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## **ITEM 9 (continued)**

### **Discussion**

The Terms of Reference (TOR) of the Social Inclusion Advisory Committee stipulates that the role of this committee is to:

- Provide advice to Council to ensure that all residents and visitors to the City of Ryde are able to participate actively in all aspects of community and civic life, and ensure that Council recognises and values the diversity of its community.

The TOR of the Social Inclusion Advisory Committee outlines the following membership criteria:

- People who reside, work or visit the Ryde Local Government Area who has a demonstrated commitment to access and inclusion issues.
- Persons with specialist skills and experience relevant to access and inclusion issues; e.g. community members with a lived experience of disability, engineers, architects, occupational therapists.
- Representatives from community groups/organisations representing people with diverse backgrounds, interests and abilities.

Following the fifteenth (15) meeting of the Social Inclusion Advisory Committee on 5 June 2019, two (2) resignations were received.

### **Recent Resignations**

1. Ms Karen Cowling  
Ms Cowling resigned from the Committee due to personal reasons.
2. Ms Carmen Platt  
Ms Platt resigned from the Committee due to other commitments impacting on her availability to attend committee meetings.

### **Financial Implications**

Adoption of the recommendation will have no financial impact.

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