

## MM5/18 CHILDRENS PLAY IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAMME - Mayor, Councillor Jerome Laxale

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Recently I have received representations about our parks and playgrounds.

Generally, residents are very happy with the new additions, but many question the lack of inclusivity, shade and fencing at each newly opened or renovated play space.

Upon raising this matter with staff, I became aware of a review process built within the existing Children's Play Implementation Programme. This programme is the mechanism for delivery of our new playgrounds across the City.

I am proposing that as part of the review, we seek to address some concerns that have been raised with me.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That the General Manager, as part of the Childrens Play Implementation Programme Review;
  - explore a policy that all existing Regional and District playgrounds are designed and upgraded to exceed the standards, and meet the principles of Universal Design.
  - (ii) explore a policy that all future playgrounds, including those identified in the Children's Play Implementation Programme, exceed the standards, and meet the principles of Universal Design.
  - (iii) establish a Childrens Play Panel, made up of interested community members, to be part of the review process and to provide feedback on existing and future playgrounds across the City of Ryde with particular focus on universal design, fencing and shading.
- (b) That the review, including the Childrens Play Panel's recommendations, be brought back to Council before the end of Q1 2018/2019.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

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