

CONSULTATION RESULTS

Proposed Hatton Vale – Kensington Grove Regional Park – Phase 1



Title: Proposed Hatton Vale – Kensington Grove Regional Park
Phase 1 Consultation Results

Date: 14 February 2019

Summary:

The purpose of this consultation was to gather community feedback and ideas to go to a consultant for draft designs for further community consultation. The final outcome will be long-term Master Plan for the proposed park.

Background:

The subject land (851SP297470 on Evans Road Kensington Grove) has been proposed for a new regional-level park to be developed over 10+ years and is currently in negotiation with the developer. Community consultation is being conducted over approximately 6 months to assist Council in understanding the types of use potential users expect. The results of consultation will be used to design zones, facilities and elements within the park and will also assist with planning the sequence of constructing various sections.

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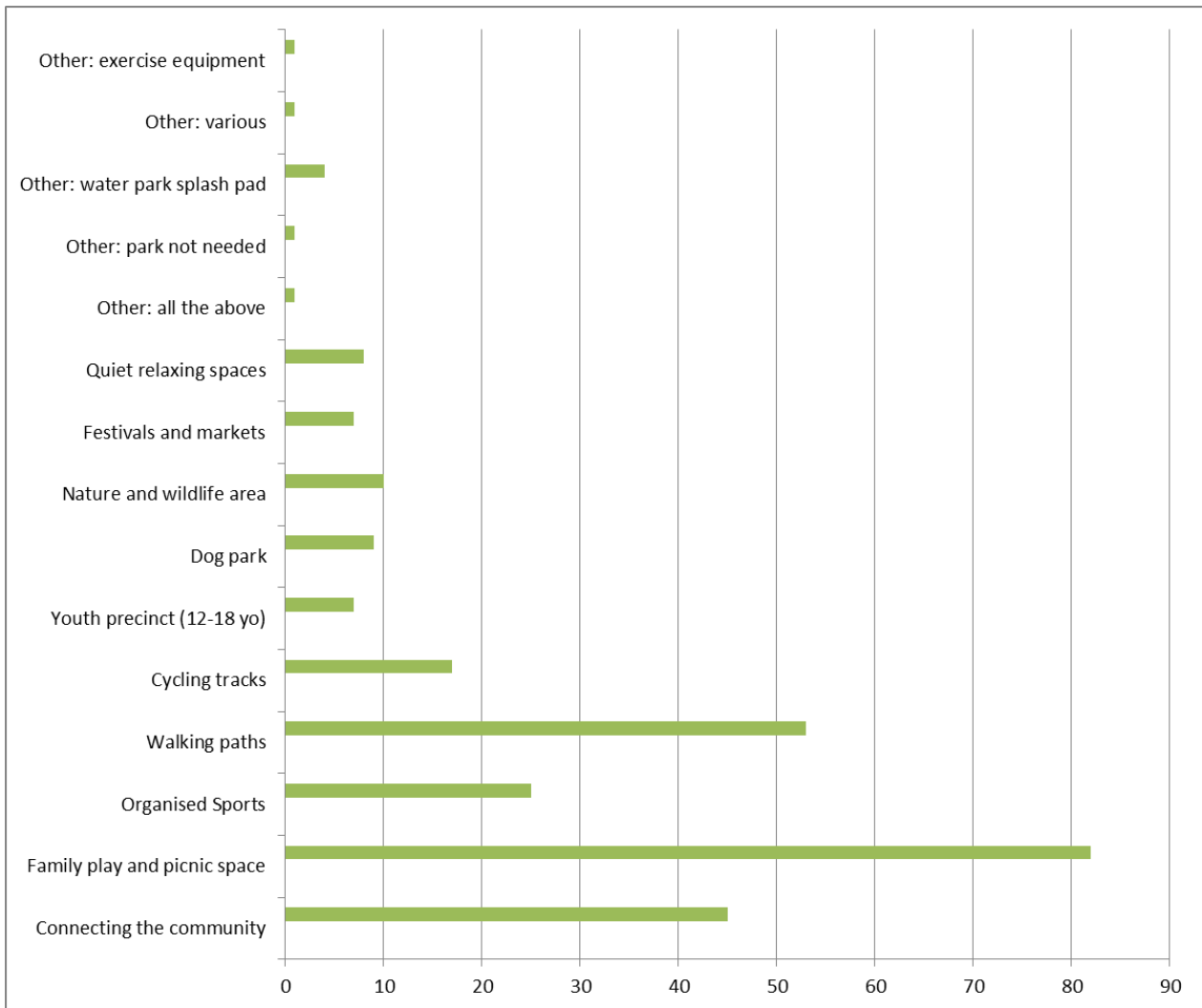
Phase1 of community consultation commenced Friday 30 November 2018 and closed Thursday 31 January 2019. Community feedback was gathered via Council's online Engagement Hub which provided four separate sections the community could complete. Within the consultation period 93 people participated in the survey, 34 completed the quick poll, 54 ideas were posted on the ideas wall and another 130 votes cast against those ideas. Not all sections required users to be registered however Council's online consultation portal received 67 registrations. Considering this project is primarily focused on one corner of the region and occurred during the summer school holidays, the engagement rate is considered strong and effective.

Key Findings from the Survey (n=93 respondents)

- Q1: ... *describe your overall vision or purpose for this regional park* the following were the top four answers:
 - Family play and picnic space (82)
 - Walking paths (53)
 - Connecting the community (45)
 - Organised sports (25)

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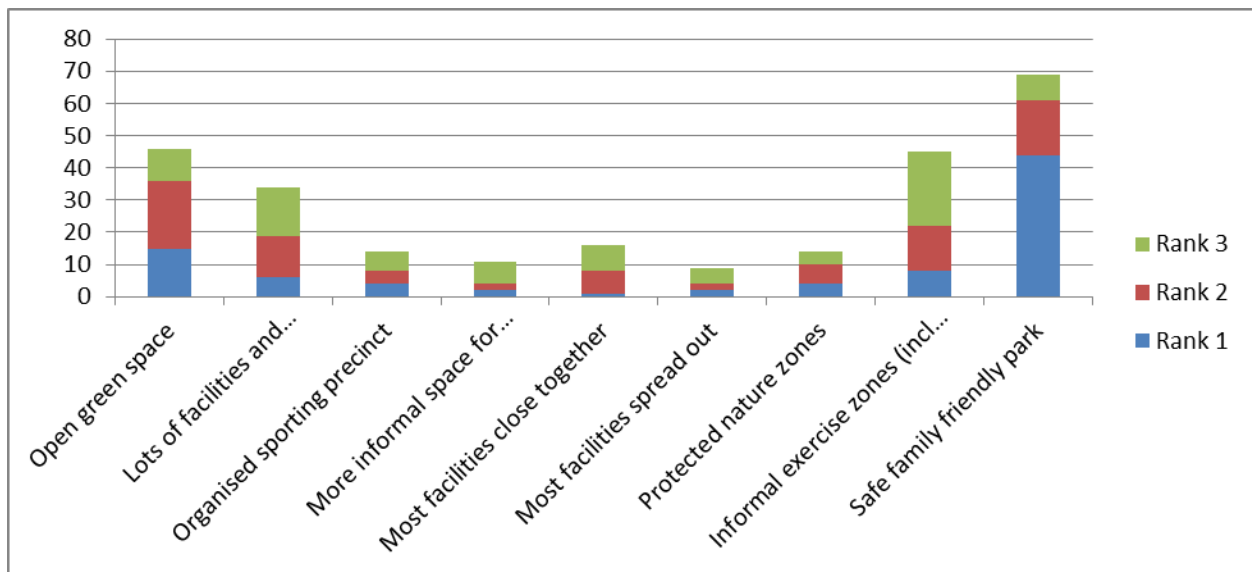


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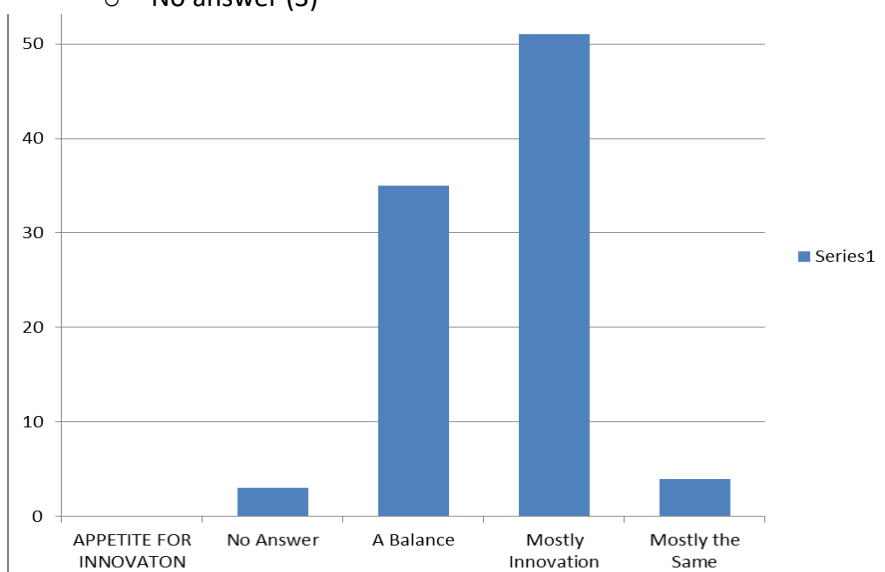
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- Q2: Rank the overall park purposes and themes and aggregating the top four (4) preferences, the results were as follows:
 - Safe family friendly park (71)
 - Open green space (64)
 - Informal exercise zones (incl walking/cycling tracks) (51)
 - Lots of facilities and infrastructure (49)
 - More informal space for casual use (32)



- Q3: How similar would you prefer this park's features to be compared to other parks in the Lockyer Valley? This question focuses on the appetite for innovation. The results were:
 - Mostly innovation (51)
 - A balance (35)
 - Mostly the same (4)
 - No answer (3)



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- Q4: *What one word best describes your vision for this park?* The results, in approximate order of preference, were:
 - Fun
 - Family
 - Nature
 - Community
 - Relaxing
 - Child-friendly
 - Family-friendly
 - Waterpark

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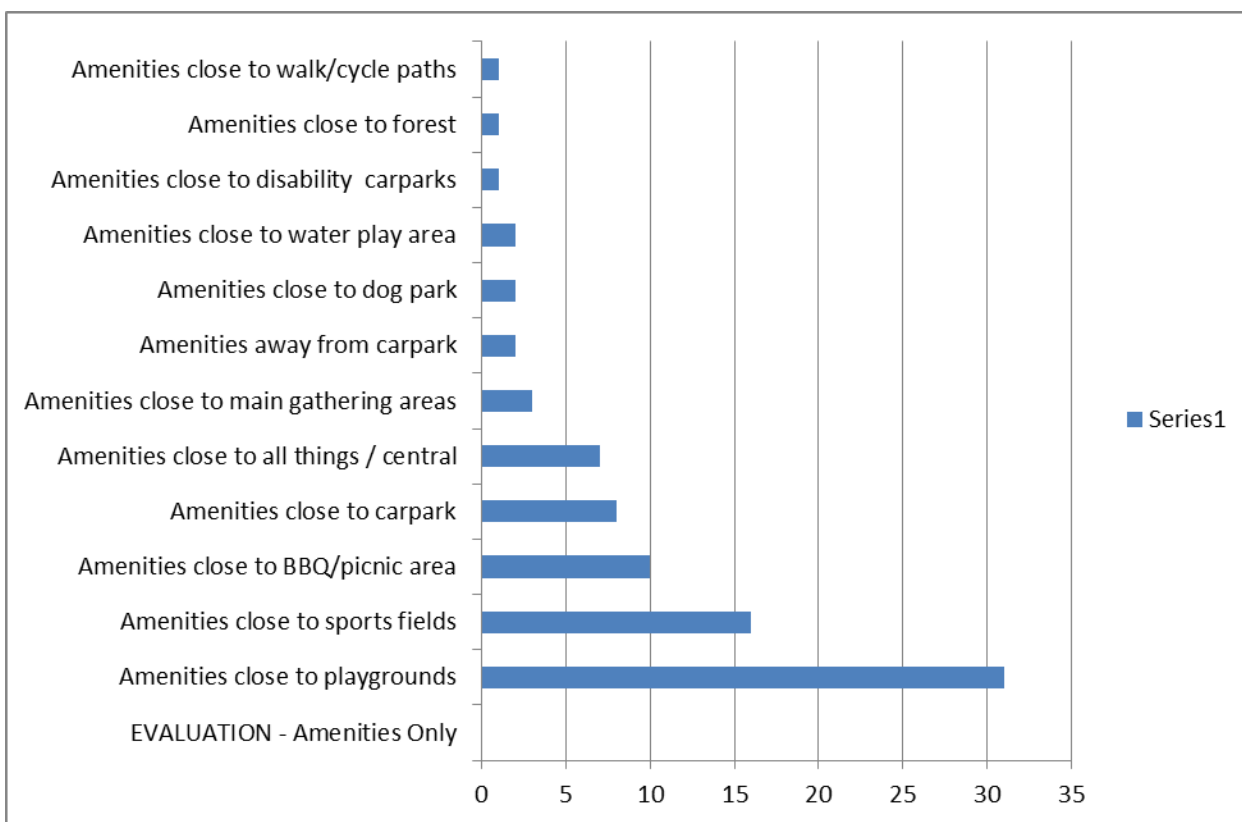


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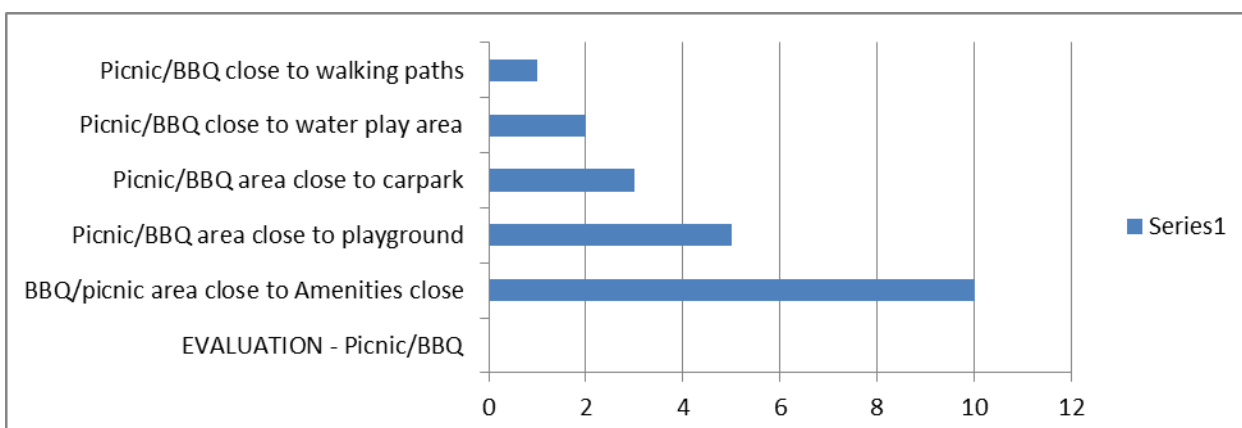
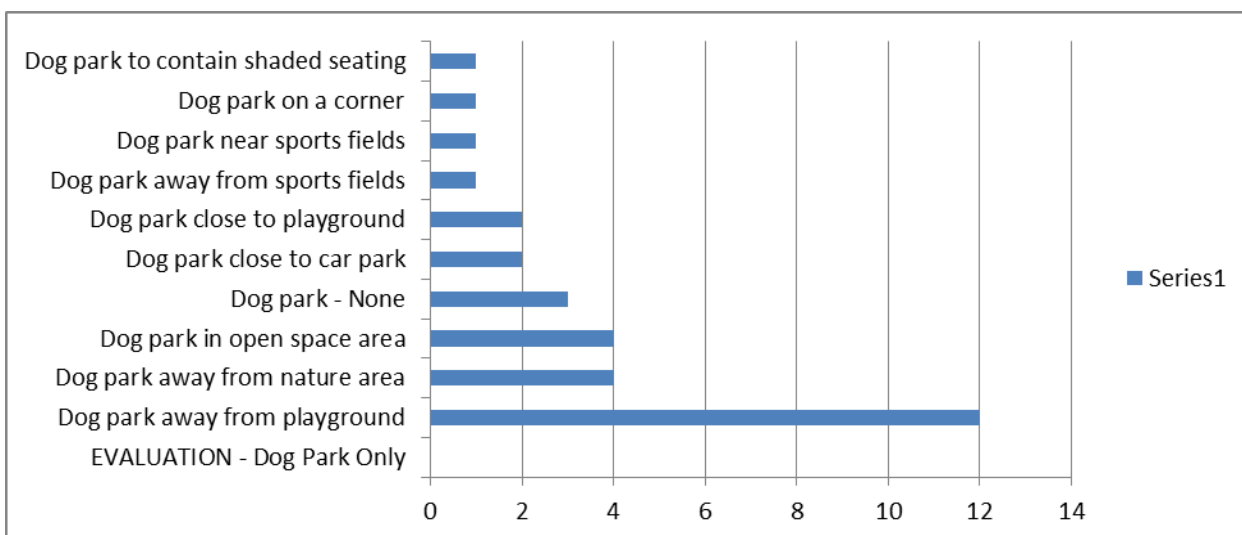
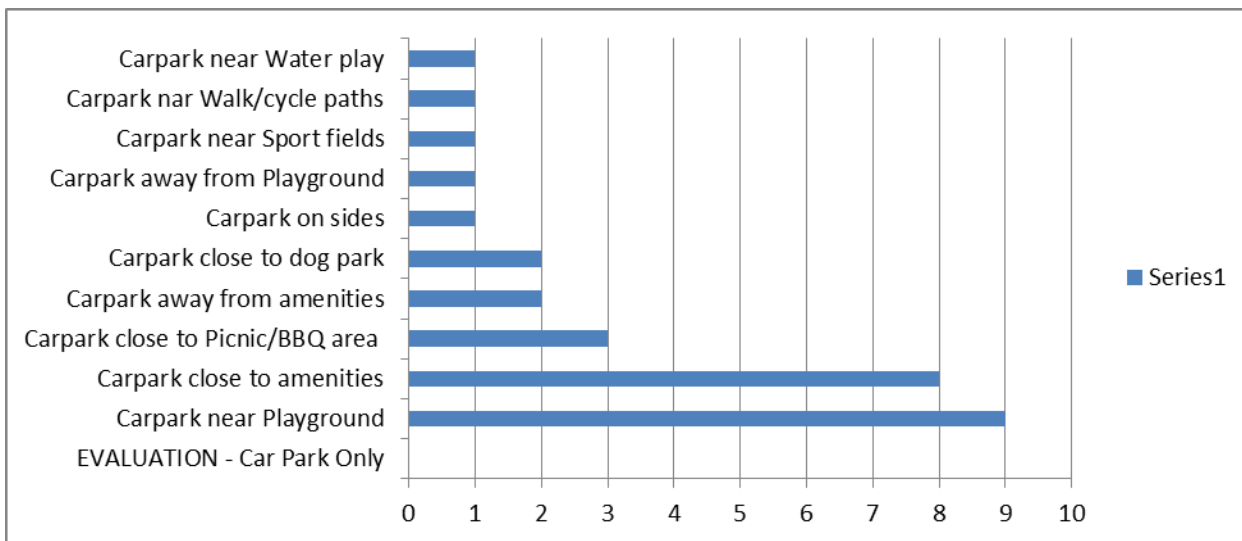


- Q5: *What types of features should be grouped together?* The results have been sub-categorised by specific features as follows:
 - Amenities
 - Carpark
 - Dog Park
 - Picnic/BBQ Area
 - Playground
 - Sports fields
 - Walk/cycle track
 - Water Play Area



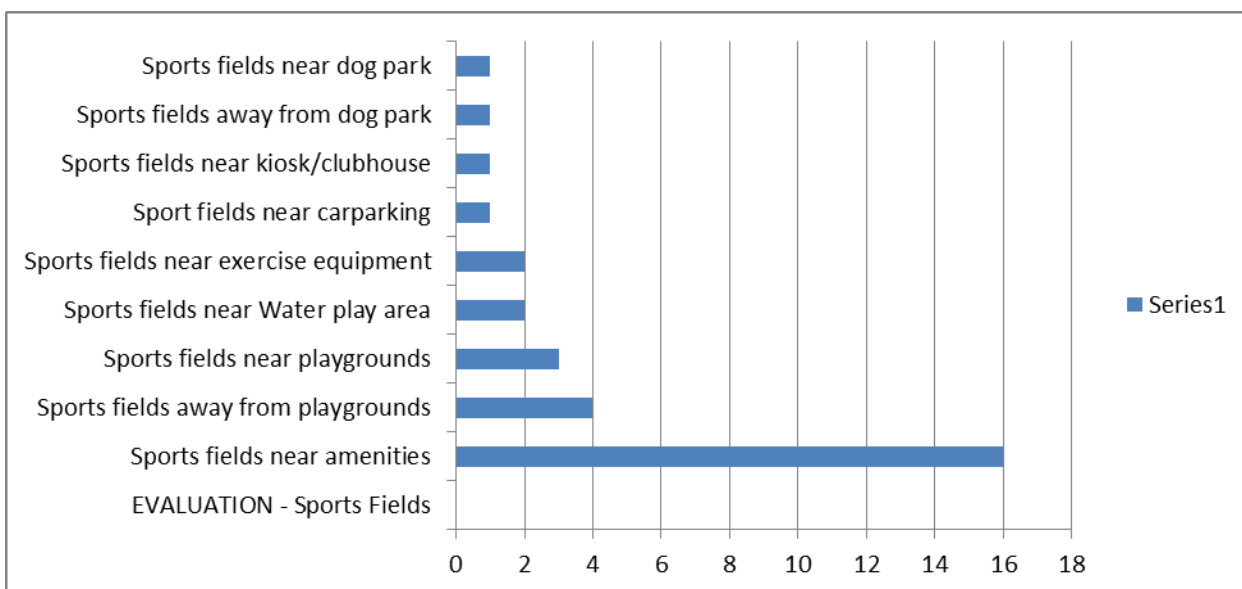
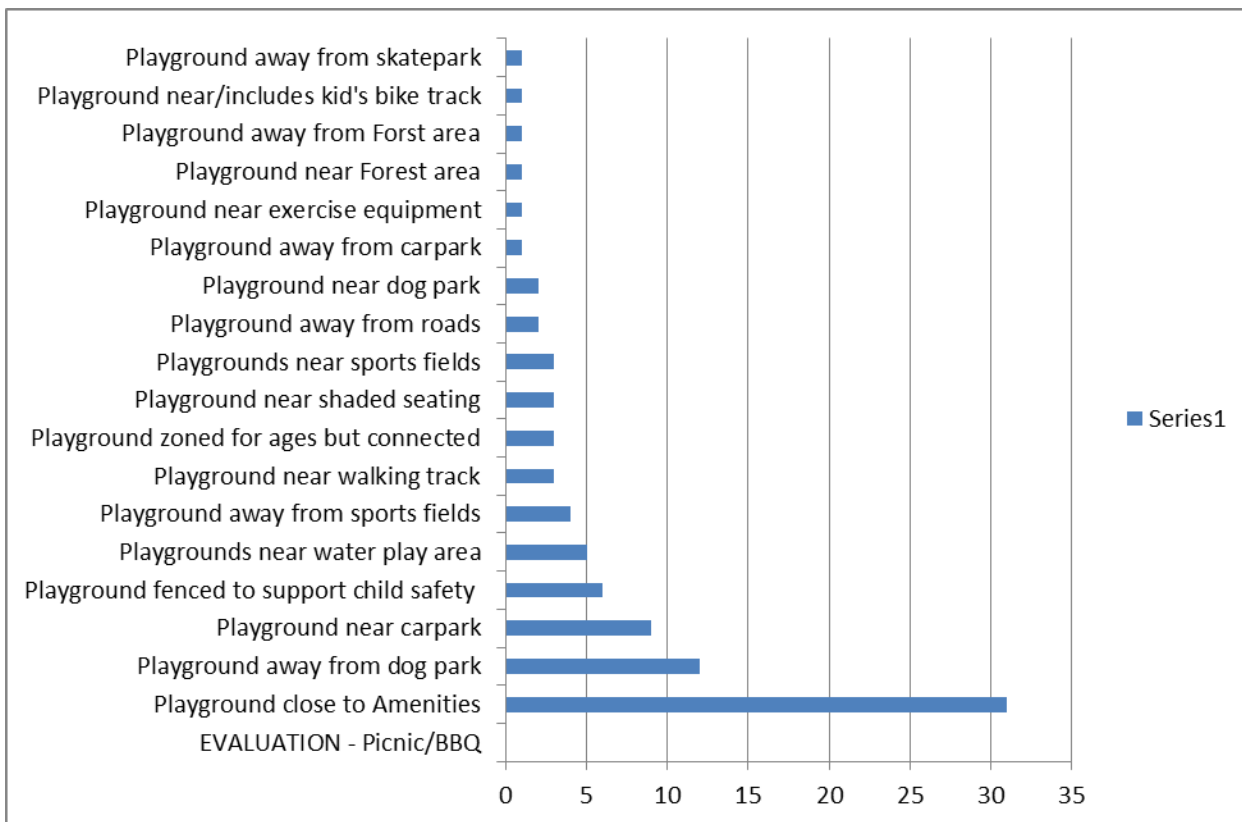
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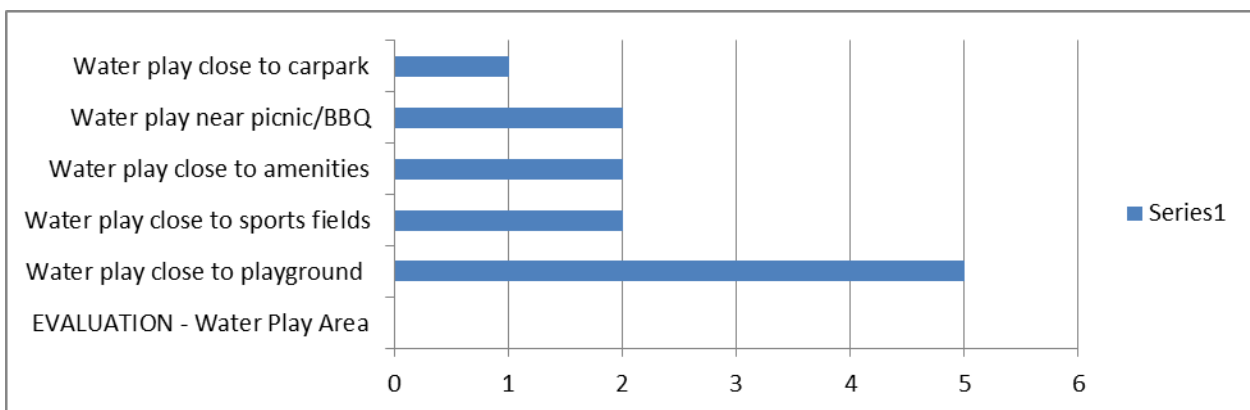
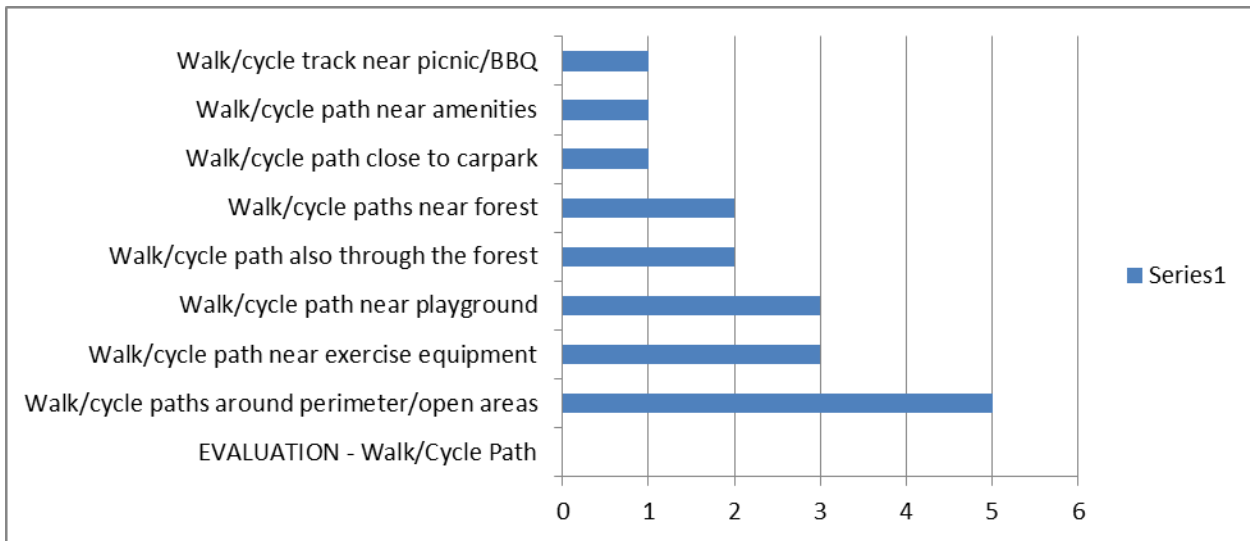
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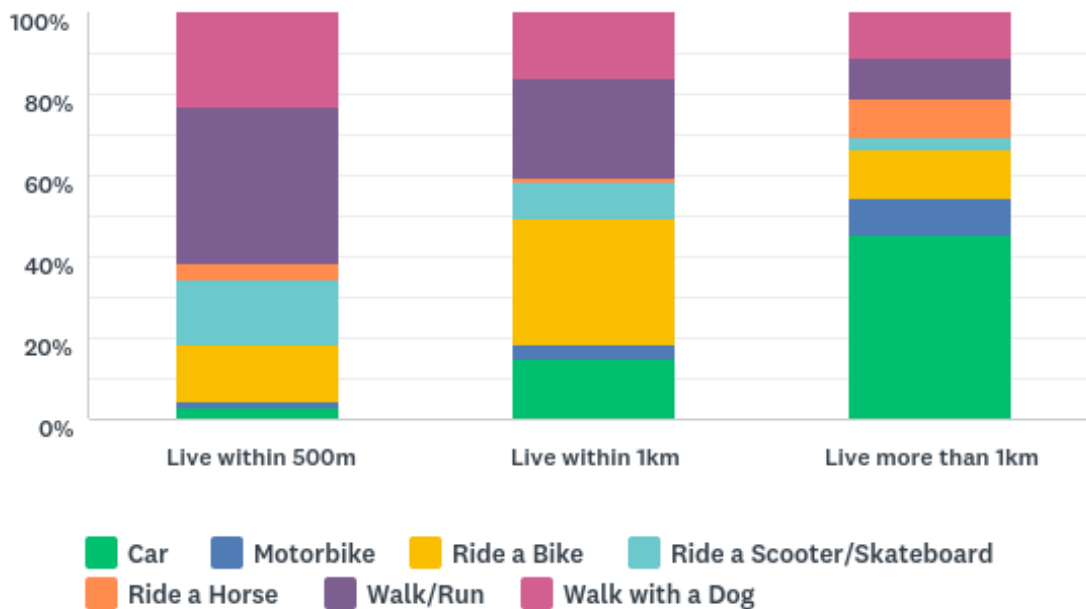


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- Q6: How would you most likely get to the park?



- Q7: Do you have any information on the history or significant events of this area? (Indigenous, European settlement, more recent, etc.)? The only notable information provided was:
 - a link to a German heritage website - <http://www.germanaustralia.com/e/queensland.htm>
 - information on wildlife presence and movement in this area

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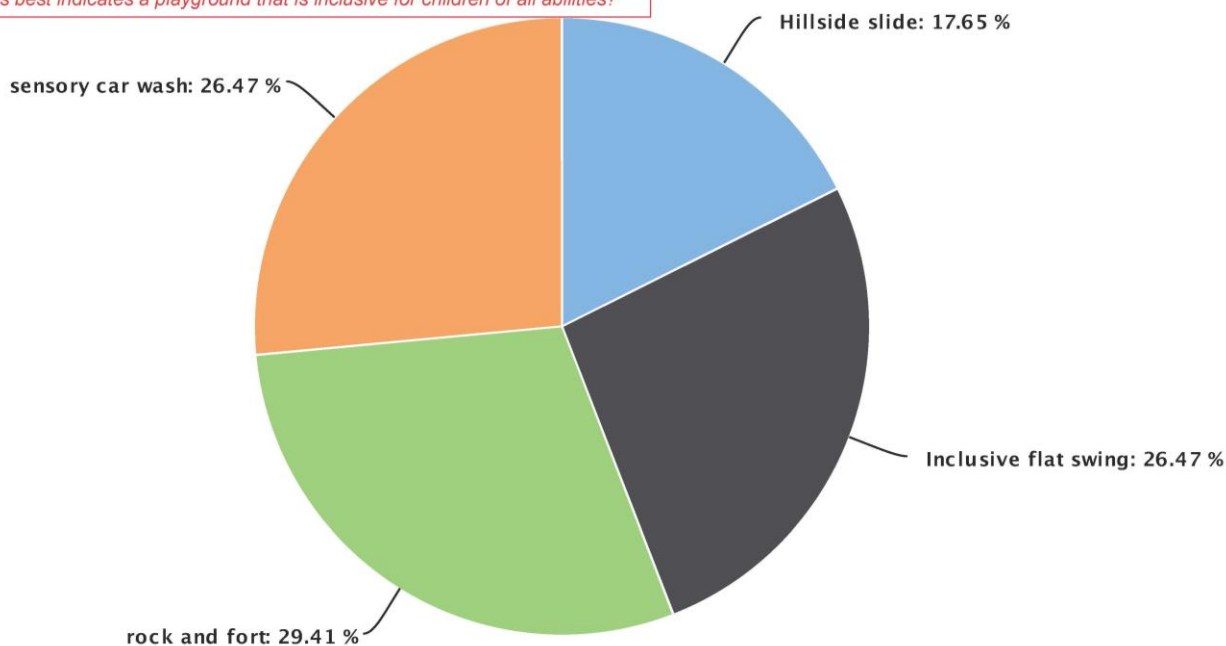
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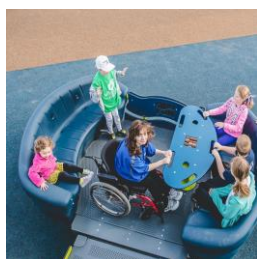
Key Findings from the Quick Poll

This section asked respondents to select the photo (see images below the pie chart) that best represented playground equipment that was inclusive of children with a range of abilities/disabilities. There is a possibility that respondents chose the equipment they personally prefer rather than focus on different abilities. 34 people responded to this question.

Which best indicates a playground that is inclusive for children of all abilities?



Hillside slide



Inclusive flat swing



Rock and fort



Sensory car wash

Key Findings from the Ideas Wall

This section had four (4) questions where respondents could post their own idea and other respondents could vote on it. Respondents had to be registered on the platform in order to post ideas or vote. Given the amount of qualitative (descriptive) data in the responses, a summary is provided below based on the ideas with the most votes. Text is as provided by respondents (ie, spelling has been left as it was provided). All responses, including voting strength, will be provided to the park designer to consider.

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- *IW1: What designs and equipment in parks are the most inclusive for children and adults of all abilities?*
 - Shade play equipment for all ages, waterpark/water activities: This area is in desperate need for a decent park for all ages. Would be great if there was plenty of shade areas over playgrounds and also bbq areas. A waterplay/waterpark area would be great for kids of all ages. Would be nice not to have to drive over 20mins to get to a decent park. (+ 8 votes)
 - BBQ areas for family's (sic) to get together within the community without travelling 30+ mins to a decent park!! (+7 votes)
 - Play Ground/Water Park/BBQ: I think a playground suitable for different ages. And because it gets so hot out here having a water park part would be great. Like a small shallow water area with different fountains so the kids can run in and out of. Maybe some sort of BBQ and covered areas. So families can come and have a BBQ or even hold birthday parties there. Also some shade areas. (+6 votes)
 - Park with water activities and shaded bbq areas: We really need a big interactive park that will encourage children to use a wide range of their gross motor skills and that will suit ages from 1 to 14 with water features for the summer months we need shade and bbq areas for future birthday parties also a bicycle track for the children to be able to ride their bikes and possibly a skate park as well as exercise equipment google blaxland riverside park nsw for ideas. (+6 votes)
 - Swimming Pool with water park attached BBQ area with plenty of shade walking tracks through native bush land to provide a habitat for native wildlife: The nearest swimming pool is at Laidly or Gatton both about 20 km's away The local schools at the moment have to bus students to Laidly and this would make it so much easier for them as well as for local residents. With an added water park (zero depth pool) like what is at Spingfield Central. The water park can be used when the main swimming pool is closed Together with a BBQ area walking tracks through native vegetation play areas for sports like Cricket Rugby Basketball Tennis etc. (+6 votes)
 - Pram or wheel chair accessible and covered seating area would be great also. (+5 votes)
 - Under cover BBQ area and waterpark: I think a water park for babies right through to adults would be amazing and an attraction for regional families to visit often being so far other facilities that cater for all age groups. Under cover bbq areas are great for entertaining and parties which is always a winner. With flat bike tracks with road rule signs i had so much fun on these as a kid and its road education as well. (+5 votes)

All other ideas had =/< 4 votes

- *IW2: What do you, as an adult, most look for in a park?*
 - Shade seating close to playground ability to keep an eye on kids of varying ages at both playground and sporting fields without obstruction of view: drinking water facilities toilets close by (+6 votes)
 - Dog park with small and large breed areas: Safe fenced area for dogs to play and socialise. The Hatton Vale/Kensington Grove area have a lot of canine friends - socialisation of these dogs is absolutely vital so that they are friendly towards people and other dogs if they were to ever get loose. A dog friendly walking trail would also be amazing! There is only one off leash park in the Lockyer Valley and we definitely need a second! (+4 votes)

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- Park facilities: Play equipment pram friendly paths sunshades water fountain toilets seats for parents where playground is in view BBQ tables and chairs for BBQ fenced playground footpaths to get to the park no off leash dogs near the children's area. (+2 votes)
- Safety shade and accessibility: I would think lighting needs to be considered considering the size of the planned park. Too dark at night and it may bring a lot of problems to the area. Well maintained and accessible toilet and drinking facilities...and I mean wheelchair accessible toilets on flat ground not ramped or put up on steep hills (like ones I've seen in karalee parks) rubber type matting not lose for play ground to ensure all abilities can access and to help make it easier to spot unwanted dumped items. And shade! (+2 votes)
- Playground/ big lagoon or water play shade water fixtures: We need something exciting up here there's nothing why not do a huge playground and a water lagoon with fun water fixtures it gets really hot up here and the kids need a outing where you can have fun shade and parties in all areas. Like Southport broad water it's great but how often do you get down there. Please bring some fun and water to hatton Vale. (+2 votes)

All other ideas had =/< 1 vote

- IW3: *What are the main reasons you take your children to a park?*
 - to get them out and about and to interact with other children: so that they can cause mayhem elsewhere! (+2 votes)

All other ideas had =/< 1 vote

- IW4: *What do your children most look for and appreciate in a park?*
 - Friends fun and food: Variety of socially engaging equipment i.e. those large see saws or ones that hold a few kids in each side water play obstacle courses. Shaded areas and bbq for picnic lunches... they like bike tracks with twists such as round a bouts jumps. They'd love a dog park too. (+6 votes)
 - As well as a great interactive playground and swings. (+4 votes)
 - Bike riding/walking paths similar to Laidley Rec grounds: Our kids have always enjoyed riding around the paths at the Laidley Rec grounds but it is a fair drive from where we live. I quite enjoy walking for exercise but the amount of times dogs have come running out and bailing me up on the footpath has really discouraged me from walking around the neighbourhood. A safe place to walk/ride bikes would be awesome. A small area where there are little roundabouts and stop signs for kids bike play would be cool. Encouraging outside play will be great. (+4 votes)
 - Splash [splash] and play water park: Water play area similar to the park at Providence Town Ripley. (+3 votes)
 - Water play: A water park for all ages . These are popping up everywhere and bring a lot of joy to the kiddies . Along with a fun park with slides and climbing equipment you can't go wrong. (+3 votes)

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(+3 votes) [No description provided]

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Key Findings from the Interactive Document (Indicative design)

This element had low rates of interaction (3 comments), possibly due to the stage of the project and draft design available to comment on. The one notable comment is below:

- *Currently Kangaroo's and Wallabies use the gully behind the bollards that flows to the stormwater catchment at the bottom of Wakefield Cr to access the area where the proposed park is situated, with this proposal will the local wildlife be hindered or forced to find an alternative route. Also, will there be a wildlife corridor set aside for the wildlife to access the area east of the proposed park?*

Proposed Next Steps

- The data gathered through Phase 1 of the consultation to be provided to the park design consultant as a guide from which to develop several draft designs of each of the following:
 - An overall park layout including zones where different types of uses would take place such as: playground, dog park, forest area, walking/cycling paths, sports fields, amenities, car parking, etc
 - Some indicative detailed styles and layouts of: playground area, dog park, walking/cycling paths including the forest area, sports fields, amenities, water play area and car parking, etc
- Simultaneous with the previous point, engage Hatton Vale State School students in designing their idea of a park/playground and submitting results to Council for review. These results would be considered by the project team and park design consultants with a view to innovation and ensuring final designs reflected the (realistic) aspirations of children
- Present the results of the two previous points to Council Workshop with additional information on budget, environmental and other constraints
- Draft designs released for community consultation
- Consultation results analysed in conjunction with consultants and a Master Plan prepared including budget, environmental and other constraints
- Draft Master Plan presented to Council Workshop and Council Meeting
- Community Review of Master Plan
- Finalise Master Plan
 - Master Plan subject to review every 3-5 years before implementation of each stage

Summary

The schedule above will likely take up to nine (9) months to complete which will provide a clear plan for 2020-21 Budget considerations.

It is noted that there are a number of factors influencing the timeframe for this project including environmental considerations, Council budgets and operational demands, and the developer's processes.

There will be further community consultation through the design phases.

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