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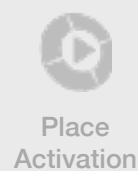
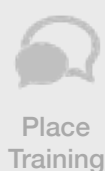
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Phase 1 Engagement Results



Introduction

Community engagement for the North Granville Community Facilities Masterplan aimed to identify and understand the physical, environmental, economic and social elements of the masterplan site and to identify and clarify key opportunities and needs for the future.

The online and intercept surveys included in Phase 1 Engagement were designed to provide an understanding of the current usage of recreation and community facilities within F.S. Garside Park and the broader Granville area. The surveys also looked to explore the needs of the community, while raising awareness of the masterplan project and the potential of the site. As approximately one fifth of North Granville population is composed by children under 14 years old, youth engagement was also key to identifying future preferences for recreation and community uses.

Online Survey

The purpose of the online survey was to raise awareness of the North Granville Community Facilities Masterplan while understanding current usage, priorities and opportunities for the site among the local community.

The online survey was hosted through SurveyMonkey and distributed through the City of Parramatta's (CoP) engagement website, social media promotion and email campaigns circulated through key stakeholder member databases. The survey was also promoted through social media with an incentive prize to encourage completion. Printed copies of the survey were provided to a number of key community organisations including the Granville Community Hub and Granville Word of Learning Childcare Centre. A total of 165 surveys were completed between the 11th of June and the 12th of July 2019, 30 of which were completed in hard copy format.

The survey included a range of response types to gain feedback across multiple topics:

- Questions 1-6 of the survey aimed to understanding the participant's demographic profile, in line with CoP's engagement policies.
- Usage of local parks and community facilities was raised in questions 7-11. Questions 7-8 asked respondents to assess the current provision of parks and community facilities in the area, while questions 9-10 asked respondents to reflect on their usage of these local facilities. Question 11 inquired specifically about visitation times to parks and open spaces in the area.
- Questions 12-13 asked participants to rate their agreement or disagreement with a series of statements relating to the kinds of recreational and community facilities needed in the area, while also providing an open ended opportunity for respondents to comment on any specific facilities they feel are needed.
- Questions 14-15 addressed the masterplan site and aimed to understand the current usage of the site as well as any issues preventing respondents from using the park. Question 16 allowed participants to provide open ended feedback and ideas they have to improve the site area.
- Questions 17-19 sought to gather contact information for further engagement, as well as assessing the efficiency of the survey's distribution.

Intercept Survey

An intercept survey was undertaken to target place users in the North Granville area as well as to understand the role and potential of F.S. Garside Park.

The intercept survey was conducted across two days (14th and 15th of June 2019) and implemented through four questions that reflected on the needs of the community and their usage behaviour regarding parks and facilities in North Granville. The intercept survey also included specific questions about current uses and potential issues for the masterplan site.

A total of 48 surveys were undertaken in person at local stakeholder facilities and in public areas. Of those asked to participate in person, 16 people who were intercepted onsite did not speak English and were unable to submit feedback.

Schools Engagement

A design competition was undertaken in three local schools (St. Oliver's Primary School, Rosehill Primary School and Granville Primary School) during July 2019, in which students were asked to design a new park for the Granville community. A total of 64 responses were received.

Students were given a worksheet on which to record their design, and as part of the competition, were also asked to complete a questionnaire about F.S. Garside Park, asking what they would change, how they could make it more welcoming and easier to travel to the site.

The competition looked to explore the ideas and preferences of young people in the area, while promoting awareness of the masterplan project among their families and allowing students to respond creatively to what they would like to see and do on the site.

Online Survey

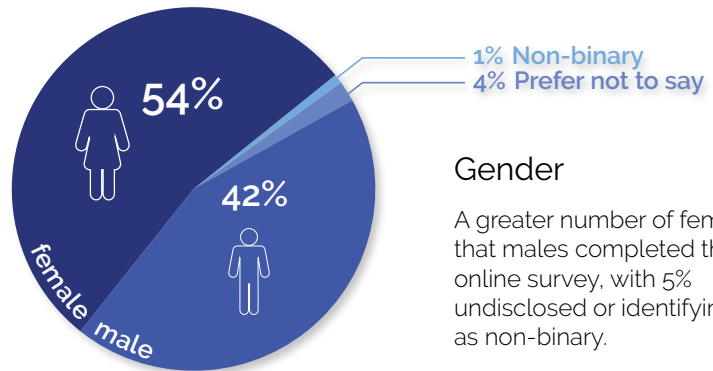
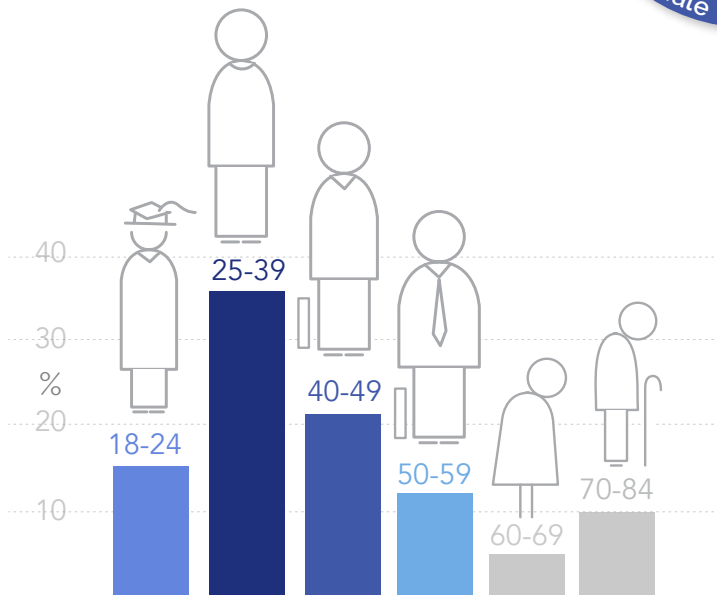
Demographic Profile

Suburb of Residence

From the overall pool of respondents, almost half (45%) reside in Granville, while 18% live in Parramatta and others live in the surrounding suburbs of Merrylands and Rosehill. 3% of respondents stated they were Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander, and 5% of online survey respondents live with a disability.

Age

The graphics below outline the demographic profile of the online survey respondents. 34% of respondents were aged between 25 and 39 years old, and approximately 70% of respondents were younger than 50 years old.

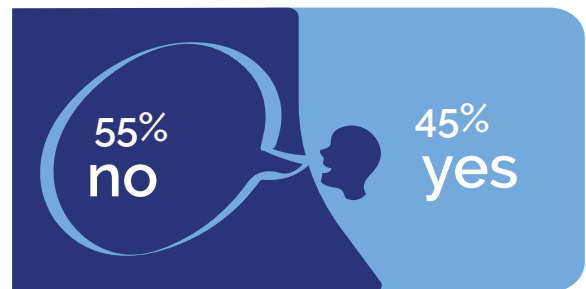


Gender

A greater number of females than males completed the online survey, with 5% undisclosed or identifying as non-binary.

English Spoken at Home

The majority of respondents - 55% - speak English at home. The most common alternative languages spoken at home were Arabic, Lebanese and Indian languages.



Online Survey

Popular Local Residential Facilities

The map below represents responses to where respondents go locally to use parks and community facilities. The different activities undertaken by respondents in each location are represented using icons.

The most popular locations for respondents include Parramatta Park, particularly to enjoy the nature or outdoor gatherings, as well as Granville Park for its child play areas. Outside of the immediate masterplan area,

Sydney Olympic Park was also consistently referred to by respondents.

A total of 25 respondents stated that they go out of the area to use parks and community facilities. Several respondents also stated that they used cultural facilities at Granville Library, Granville Town Hall and St. Marks Anglican Church.

-  Playing with
-  Enjoy
-  Gathering Spaces
-  Dog Walking
-  Family Events
-  Cultural Activities
-  Scouting Activity
-  Swimming Pool
-  Soccer
-  Jogging
-  Cycling
-  Cricket
-  Shopping
-  Walking



Online Survey

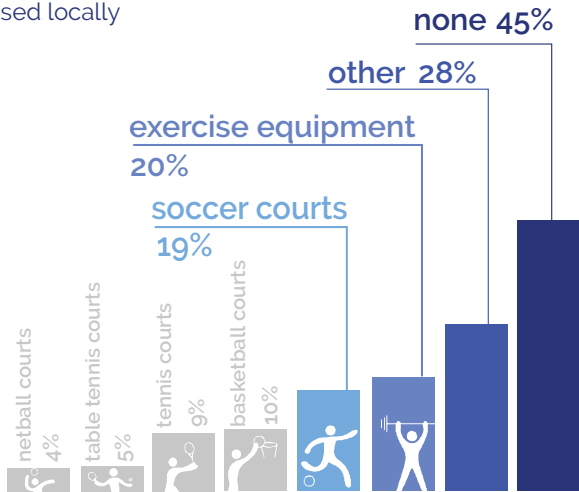
Sporting and Community Facilities Usage

The charts below represent the kinds of sporting and community facilities that are most commonly used by survey respondents.

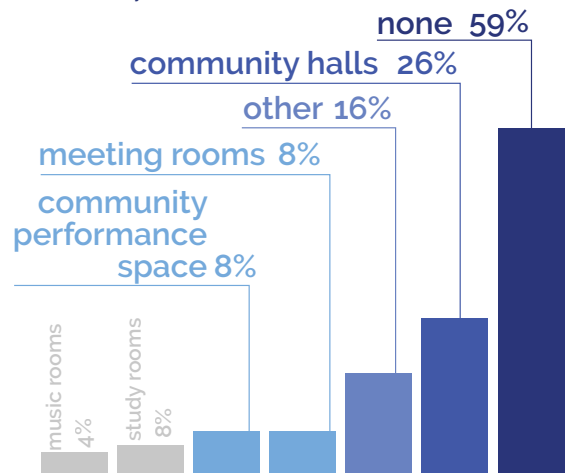
The majority of respondents stated that they didn't use any of the facility options in the survey. For those who selected 'other', many respondents specified badminton and basketball courts as sporting facilities they regularly

used, as well as walking and cycling paths. The vast majority - approximately 60% of respondents - did not use any of the community facility examples given in the survey. Although only 15% of respondents selected 'other', when specifying which other community facilities were used regularly, libraries were the most common facility type included by survey respondents.

Sporting facilities used locally



Community facilities used locally



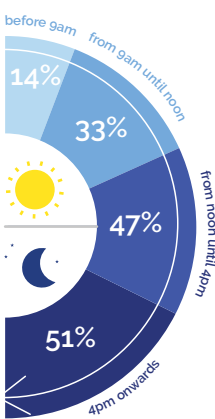
Visitation Drivers

The following charts represent the times of the day that respondents are more likely to visit parks and open spaces in the local area.

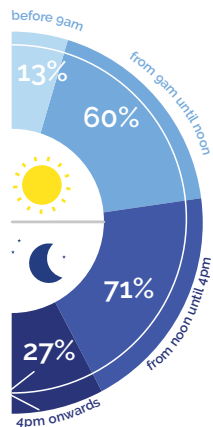
On weekdays, many respondents visit parks or open space from 4pm onwards, which is likely due to professional commitments or children's school and

activities. During weekends, school holidays or special events, respondents are more likely to visit parks and open spaces during the day, particularly from noon to 4pm (71% of respondents). 60% of those respondents also visit parks during the morning period, between 9 am to noon.

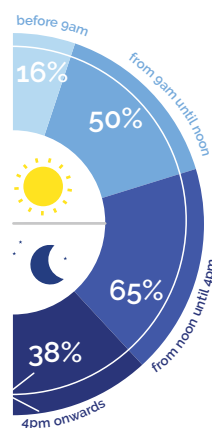
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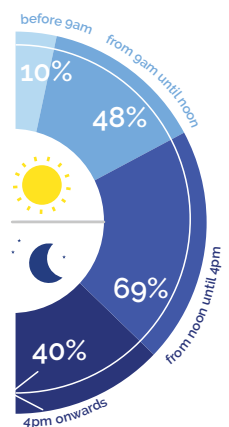
Weekends



In school holidays



For special events



Online Survey

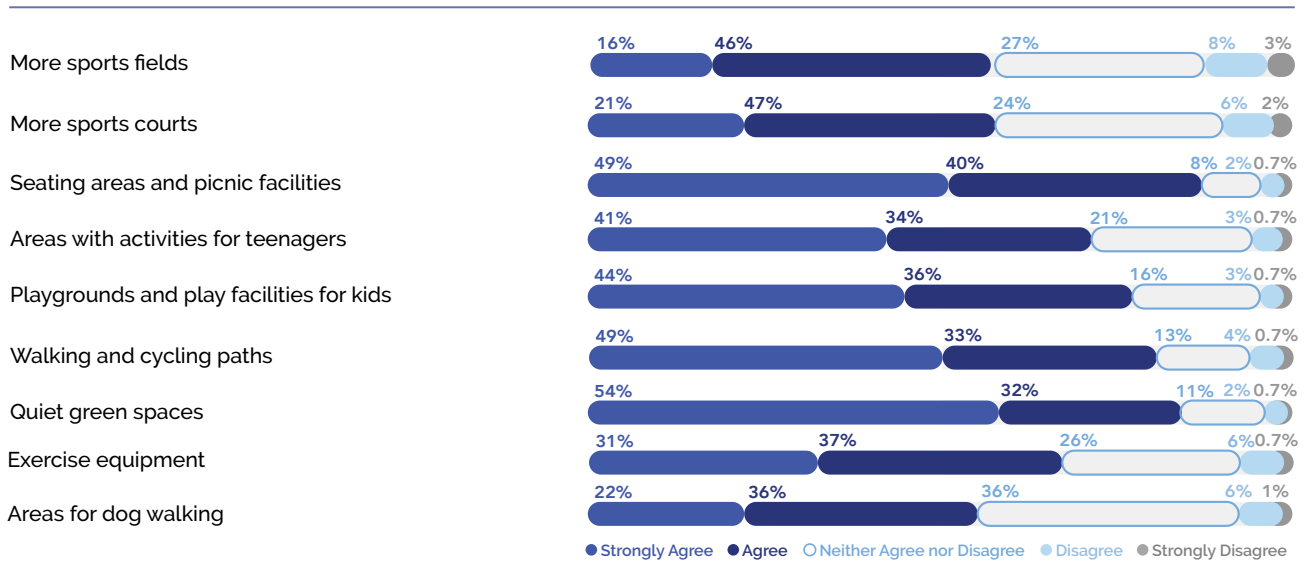
Local Needs: Recreation Facilities

When asked about local needs for recreational facilities, most respondents strongly agreed with the need for quiet green spaces (54%), seating areas with picnic facilities, walking and cycling paths, playgrounds and activities for teenagers.

The percentage of respondents that disagreed with the need for any of the proposed recreational facilities was consistently low in every option, varying between 3%

and 8%, which suggests an overall need for the different types of recreational facilities included in the survey.

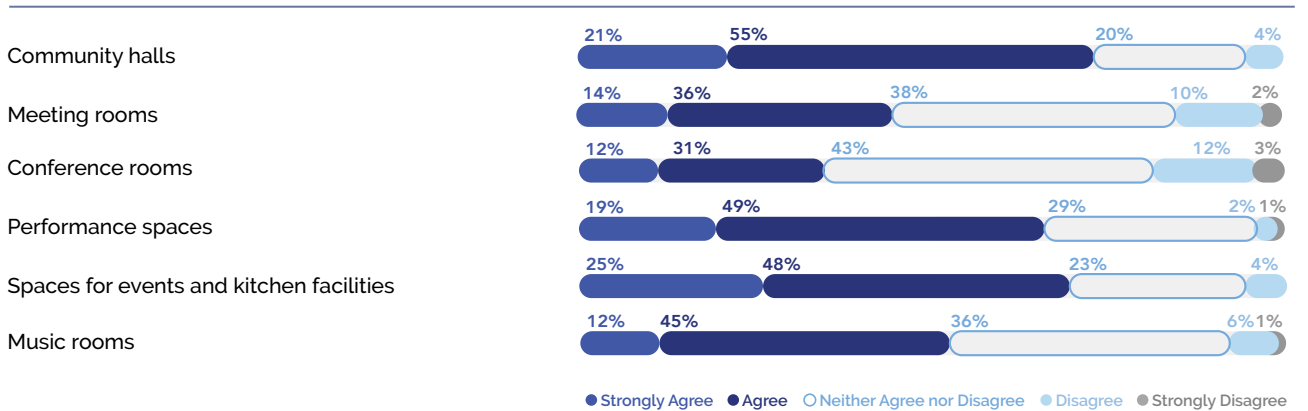
The highest number of neutral responses were received in response to areas for dog walking (36%), more sports fields (27%), exercise equipment (26%) and more sports courts (24%), potentially due to the existing provision of sports facilities and an informal dog walking area.



Local Needs: Community Facilities

Regarding the need for community facilities, the most popular options were community halls, with a total of 76% agreeing to the need for this facility type, and spaces for events with kitchen facilities, with a total of 73% in agreement.

The neutral option was highly consistent across all proposed types of community facilities, reaching 43% when referring to conference rooms and 38% regarding meeting rooms - which may suggest these facilities are not strong priorities for this area.



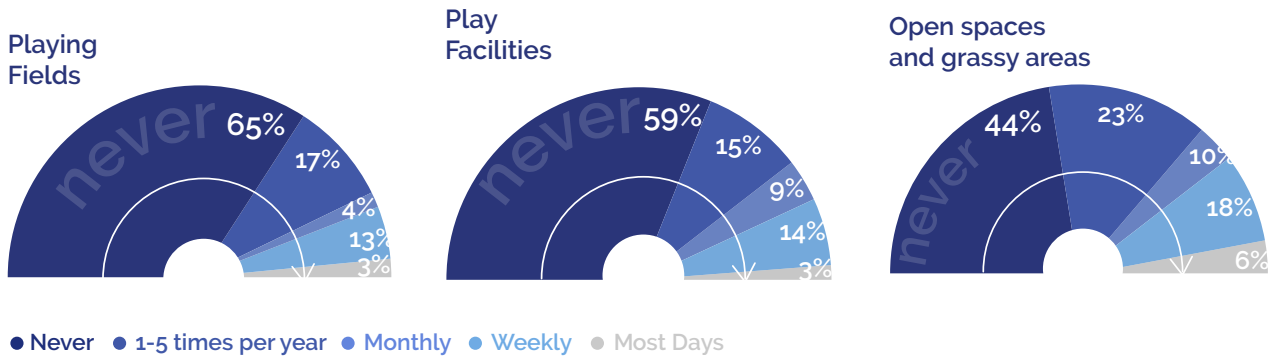
Online Survey

F.S. Garside Park Usage

The graphics below outline the frequency of respondents' visits to F.S. Garside Park. For each of the uses outlined below, the majority of respondents (between 44-65%) never use or visit F.S. Garside Park.

Nearly a quarter of respondents reflected that the site is too far away from their area (24%). The unsuitability of

facilities was also selected as a reason preventing respondents from using the park (21%), as well as a perception of poor quality or a lack of safety (17%). Lack of awareness of the facilities at F.S. Garside Park was also raised as a barrier preventing usage of the site.



Ideas for Improvement

Survey respondents were asked to provide ideas for improvement for the facilities at F.S. Garside Park. A summary of their direct responses is provided below.

Facilities

- Could have shelter and electric bbq
- Recycling bins
- Toilets, water

Playground

- Nature play area for kids - like 5 senses garden at Concord, landscaped green space, community garden
- Small water park feature like in James Ruse Reserve could be a nice addition, especially for the locals during summer

Community

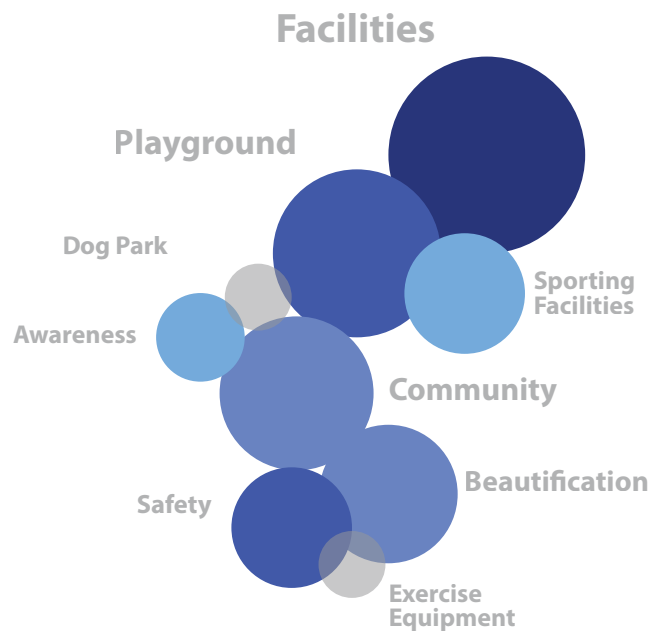
- Keep the Scout hall and encourage community use
- A better sense of community and local culture
- A Food Forest area

Sporting facilities

- Tennis courts, basketball courts, netball courts - Anything to encourage greater take up of sports in the area
- Creating more sport class and variety of activities plus events

Beautification

- More focus on an enjoyable cooler space to be able to be out doors in Summer
- Beautify it - currently rather sad appearance and not conducive as a picnic or green space area
- Lack of trees and greenery



Awareness

- More public awareness of the park itself

Safety

- Main Road is not safe

Dog park

- Dog Park with double entry gates and a side section for anxious dogs

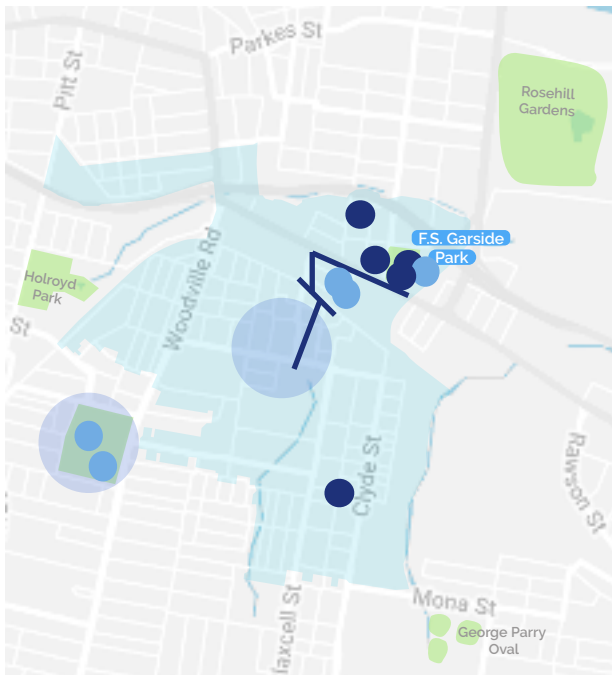
Exercise equipment

- A cycleway around the perimeter, i.e. a small version of Parramatta Park, so to be able to do laps .. safety

Intercept Survey

An intercept survey was conducted on the 14th and 15th of July in key areas in and around F.S. Garside Park site, as well as within the Granville area. The survey consisted of a slip with four open-ended questions that reflected on the uses and needs for parks and community facilities in the masterplan area.

The map below represents the areas where the intercept was undertaken across the two days, as well as outlining the busiest areas in footfall for the intercept survey periods.



Key Onsite Observation

In speaking with site users and sending time within the precinct, a number of place-specific observations were made:

- Local people who were aware of the site appreciate its greenery and quiet spaces
- A high number of people did not know about the park, especially those on the Cumberland side
- A number of people working in the precinct do not spend time there before or after work
- There were few people in the precinct on Saturday due to businesses being closed
- Those watching soccer at F.S. Garside on Saturday were observed to be visiting the precinct and were not intercepted

- Friday
- Saturday
- Busiest areas

Local Recreation Activities

When asked about local places suitable for recreational activities, most respondents indicated Granville Park as one of the most popular local parks. Granville Park was one of the key locations targeted during the intercept survey on the 15th July, when it was busy with visitors playing sports, using the playground with their families, walking dogs and using barbecue facilities.

Other parks in the surrounding neighbourhoods were also raised as key areas for recreation, such as Parramatta Park and Parramatta River, Auburn Progress

Park and Botanic Gardens, Lizard Log and Holroyd Gardens.

Some respondents stated that a lack of safety and unsuitable facilities were the main reasons that they don't use recreational and community facilities in the North Granville area.

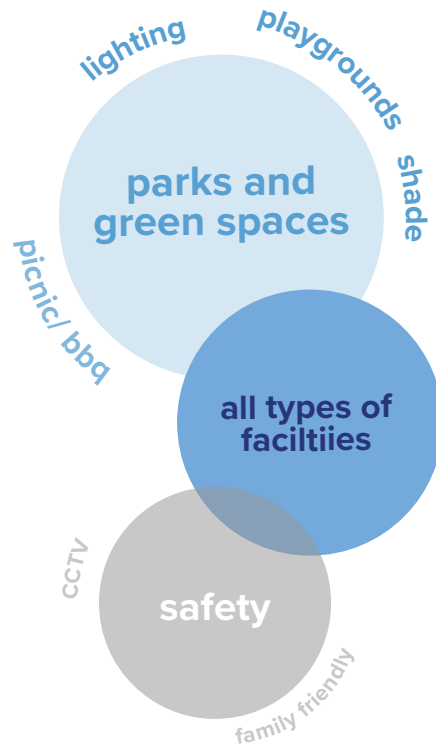
Intercept Survey

Parks & Community Facilities needs for North Granville

Regarding needs for parks and community facilities in the North Granville area, respondents were consistent in prioritising parks and green spaces.

Most respondents suggested improved lighting, picnic facilities, playgrounds and shaded areas that are family friendly. Some respondents suggested there is a need for all types of facilities, since there are not many recreational opportunities in the North Granville area.

Safety was also mentioned by some intercepted respondents, who feel the area needs to be more child friendly, with safe playing equipment for children and CCTV surveillance.



What was liked about the masterplan site

The final questions of the intercept survey were specifically about F.S. Garside Park Masterplan area and its current uses and potential issues. The vast majority of people that were intercepted in the area had no awareness of the park's existence or had never visited the site. Respondents that were intercepted on F.S. Garside Park like the children friendly features of the playground as well as the quiet and greenery.

Perceived Opportunities

- Children friendly
- Quiet
- Greenery

Barriers to Site Visitation

The most recurrent reasons given by respondents for not visiting F.S. Garside Park were the lack of activities and recreational opportunities, along with the lack of awareness of its existence.

Many respondents perceive the site as unsafe because of the proximity to Parramatta Road and past violence in the area.

Perceived Issues

- Lack of recreational activities
- Lack of awareness of FS Garside Park existence
- Unsafe

Schools Engagement

School students were provided a worksheet asking them to consider changes and opportunities for F.S. Garside Park. They were also asked to design a park for North Granville where visitors could play, relax and hang out, using the visual medium of their choice, and labelling key features that they wanted to include.

What students want to see

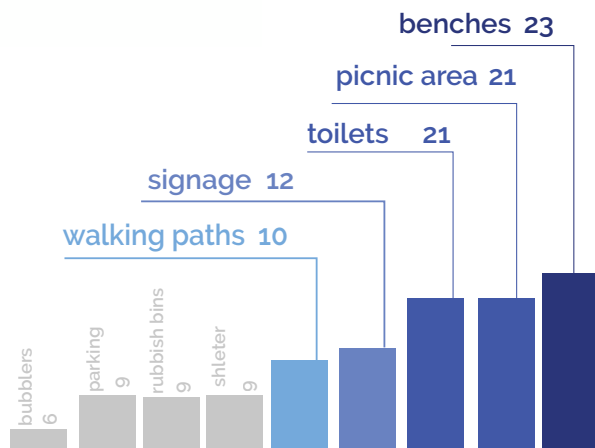
Students were asked to reflect on what they liked or disliked about the existing F.S. Garside Park site, as well as what they wanted to see there in the future. Many reflected that the look of some of the facilities was worn down, and suggested that the whole site could be beautified by using colourful elements and modernising the facilities.

Making the playground more exciting and the community building as a place for people to gather was also a common theme, as well as adding a welcome sign to the park to attract more users. Students also wanted to see fun play equipment and colours in the site.

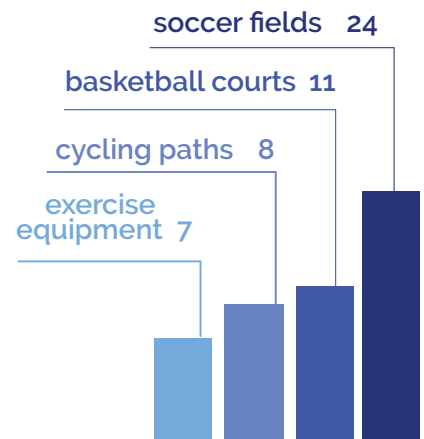
What students want to do

In the design component of the worksheet, many students outlined the types of activities and facilities that a new park should include. General amenities and play facilities were popular responses. The results are summarised below in order of how frequently they were raised.

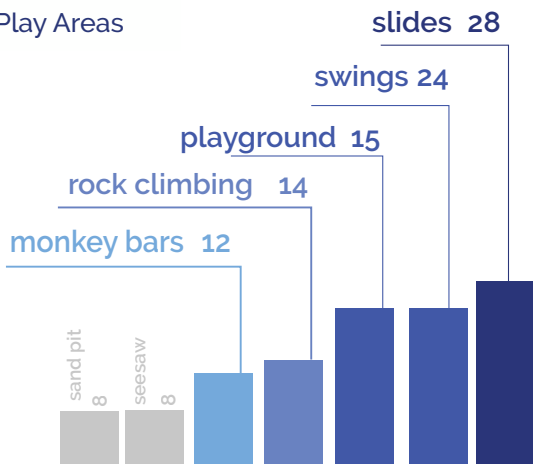
Facilities



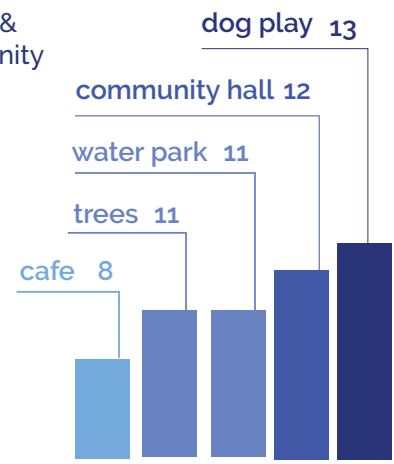
Sports & Recreation



Play Areas



Passive & Community



Schools Engagement

Top 15 Designs

The design challenge got students across Granville to design their own park for the North Granville Community Facilities Masterplan area. The following pages display the top 15 of the best designs.



Schools Engagement

Top 15 Designs

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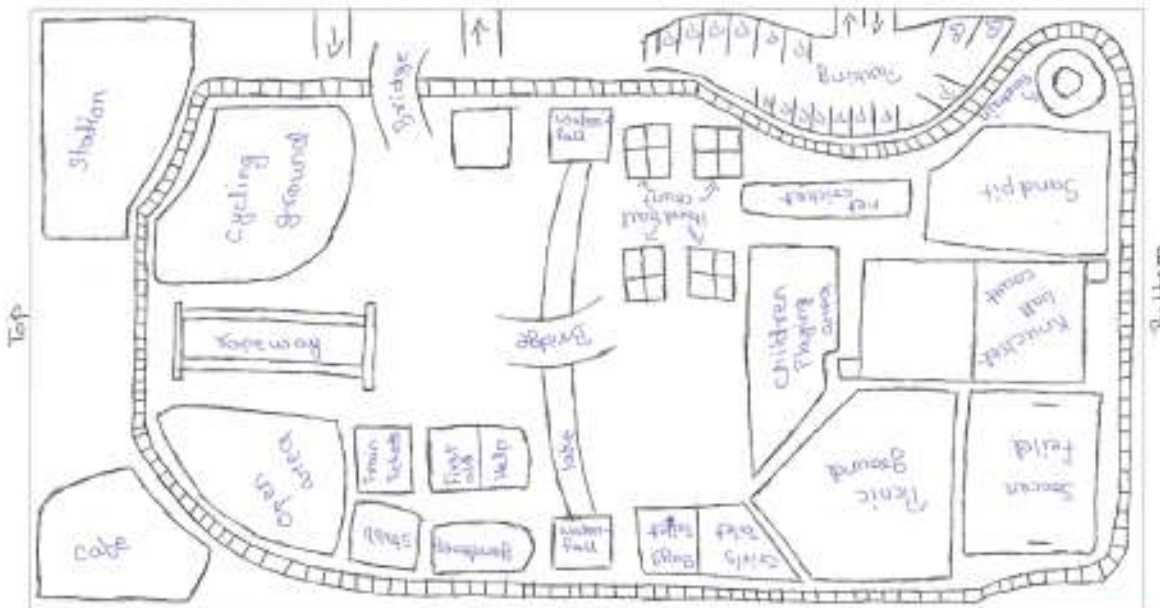


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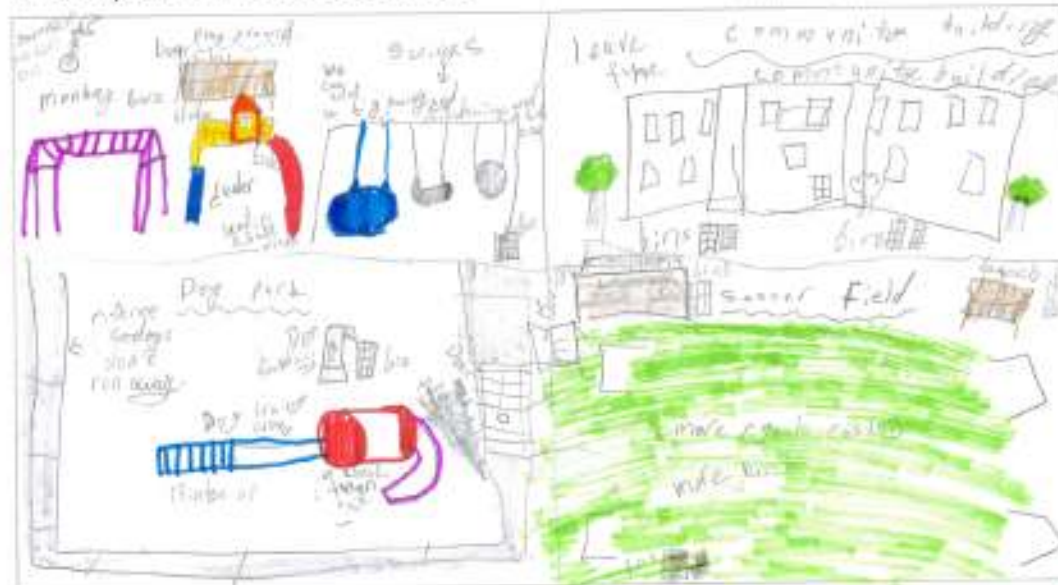


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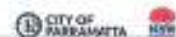


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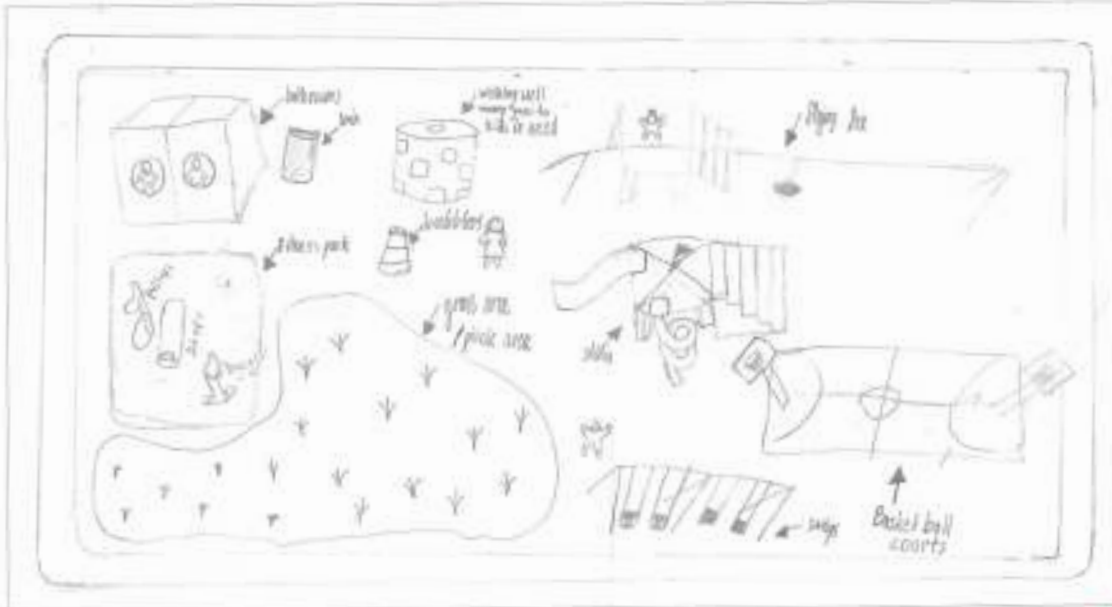


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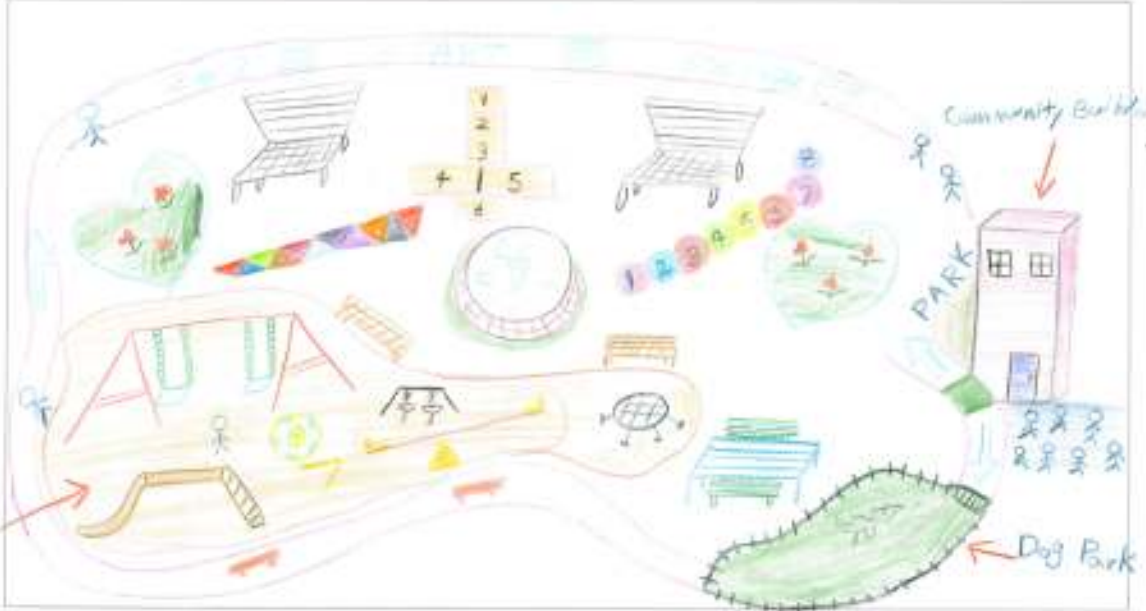


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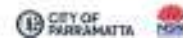
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Phase 1

Key Conclusions



Conclusions

During Phase 1 Engagement, both the online and the intercept survey were designed to understand the role of the North Granville Community Facilities Masterplan site, as well as the broader issues and needs of the community with regards to recreational and community facilities in the North Granville area. Engagement with local students also aimed to increase the profile of the masterplan project and understand the needs of children for the site.

During the intercept survey, 16 people were intercepted who could not complete the survey due to language barriers. This trend needs to be considered in further engagement and throughout Phase 2.

A number of key themes emerged throughout Phase 1 Engagement, relating to the site and the wider needs of the community, as outlined below.

Updated & Varied Facilities

Issues

From walking paths to lighting and toilets, community feedback has indicated that there is a need of a varied range of facilities in the area, due to a limited number of options for local recreation and limited amenities. Many respondents reflected that they travel outside the immediate area to spend their free time, while school students reflected that facilities at F.S. Garside were dated. The safety of both facilities and the general area was also proposed as a reason not to spend time in and around the site.

Opportunities

Well designed facilities which appeal to all ages and demographics, and includes facilities and amenities for universal usage, can help to ensure that the site is used to its potential in the future.

Passive Uses

Issues

A lack of facilities for passive use of the park was identified across surveys and schools engagement.

Opportunities

When considering future changes to the site, the provision of green spaces with passive or relaxing uses, such as water features, trees and nature play, were proposed. Seating areas and green areas were particularly prioritised among needs not based around organised sport or recreation.

Awareness of the Site

Issues

The key trend across both surveys was the lack of awareness of the existence of F.S. Garside Park. Most respondents did not know about the site or had never been there. This was mostly due to the lack of facilities and special events in the park, as well as the use of higher profile parks in the vicinity including Parramatta Park and Western Sydney Parklands.

Opportunities

Enhancing the identity of the site, as well as programming activities, events and initiatives on the site can assist in improving the profile of the park as a recreation facility.

Play Spaces & Youth Facilities

Issues

The provision of play spaces and areas for youth activities were commonly proposed and reflect a need for the site to cater to families and younger people. Activities for teenagers and older kids were also particularly raised, as well as the need to change the perception of the site from 'unsafe' to 'family-friendly'.

Opportunities

Alongside providing play spaces and facilities for young people of all ages, students also reflected that adding vibrancy and colour would help to improve the park.



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Phase 2 Engagement Results



Introduction

Phase 2 Engagement aimed at gathering feedback from the community about the Draft North Granville Community Facilities Masterplan , building on the understanding gathered during Phase 1 Engagement



A survey was developed to understand what the community felt with the draft outcomes from the Masterplan. This survey was undertaken both online and during drop in sessions for data to be relevant and comparable. Display boards were as the example above were displayed during drop in sessions to inform the community about the different elements of the Masterplan.

The online survey was undertaken between October 14th and November 14th with a total of 100 responses. The same survey was available in different languages during drop in sessions and was completed by 62 people. An additional residents sessions was held on site for feedback on the Masterplan specific to adjoining residents.

During the public exhibition period, a total of 19 submissions were received, including a petition from residents. Suggestions made to the Masterplan, as well as key issues and concerns, are explored on the following pages.

Online Survey

The online survey was conducted between the October 14th and November 14th and has had a total of 100 responses.

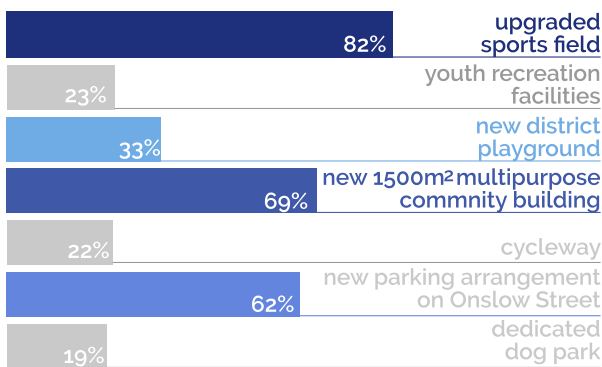
Key issues & concerns

- Some participants feel the grounds should be fully enclosed
- Concerns were raised around the probability of increased anti social behaviour and CCTV was suggested
- Some participants do not agree with the demolition of the existing buildings
- Concerns related to existing contamination and the site being currently fenced off
- The dog park's considered a low priority and its locations is deemed as to far from the carpark
- Participants feel the parking arrangements are not suitable for the area's needs

Ideas & other comments

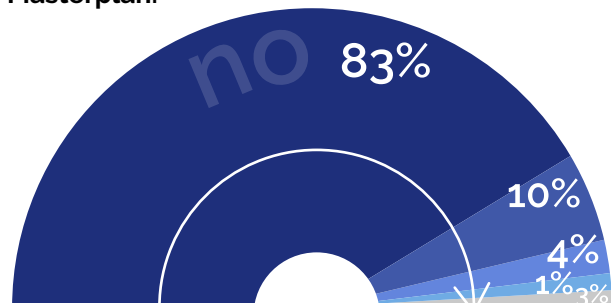
- Many participants suggested sports facilities including the improvement of stand, shade for spectators, as well as a warm up area
- Cricket nets are highly valued by the community and tennis and badminton courts
- Parking for residents was suggested
- A cafe in the park or close by would attract more visitors
- The community building could have community services and a cafe

What do participants like about the Masterplan?



- The favourite elements of the Masterplan for online survey participants are the sports field, the recreation facilities and playground as well as the new community building

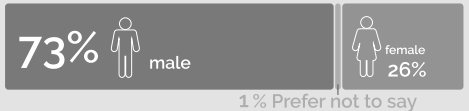
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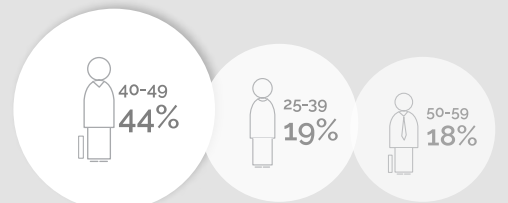
- Approximately 20% of public exhibition participants have provided feedback to inform the Draft Masterplan during the consultation phase



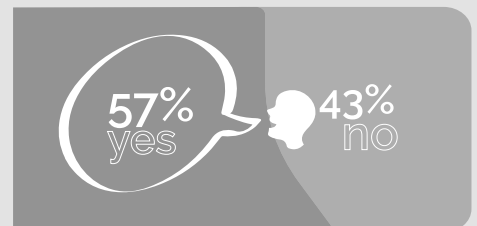
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How old are you?



Do you speak a language other than English at home?

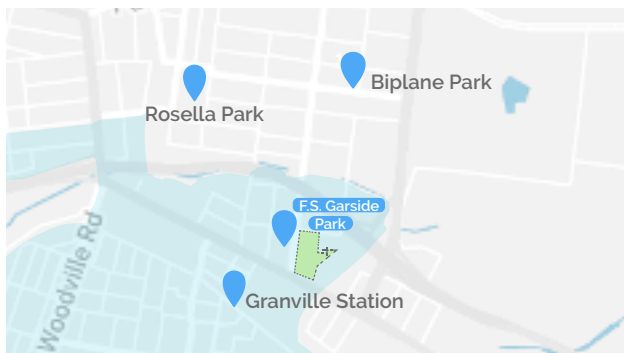


Pop Up Drop-in Sessions

Phase 2 Engagement was aimed at informing the community about the Draft North Granville Community Facilities Masterplan and gathering feedback. For that, three drop-in sessions were undertaken, plus an onsite additional drop-in session for residents. The drop-in sessions provided information on the Draft Masterplan through display boards and hard copies of the Draft Masterplan, and asked community members that attended the sessions to complete a paper based survey. This survey was also available online from the 3rd October to 14th November 2019.

Sessions

- The first drop-in session was conducted on Friday the 1st November 2019 at Biplane Park, from 3.15pm to 4.15pm. 22 surveys were collected at this session and most participants have stated their support for the Draft Masterplan and felt particularly happy about the new multipurpose community facilities building, the cycleway and the upgraded sports field. Key outcomes from these sessions suggested to include water features, toilets and shade. Key issues were focused on the proposed carpark and the fear it will attract noise and anti-social behaviour.
- A drop-in session was undertaken on Saturday, November 2nd 2019, on the Parramatta side of Granville Station between 2pm and 4pm. 29 community members filled out surveys, and their favourite facilities included in the Draft Masterplan were the upgraded sports field, youth recreation facilities and the new district playground. Surveys were also distributed to businesses along Good Street. Key outcomes include suggestions of a cafe in close vicinity to the site and increased lighting.
- The last pop up session for the public exhibition of the North Granville Community Facilities Masterplan was held on Friday the 8th November 2019 at Rosella Park, Rosehill. A total of 8 surveys were completed with overall satisfaction regarding the draft masterplan.



Granville Station



Biplane Park



Rosella Park

Drop in Sessions

A total of 62 responses were provided during drop in sessions which were held on the following dates:

- 1 November 2019, 3:15-4:15pm at Biplane Park Rosehill,
- 2 November 2019, 2:00-4:00pm at Granville Station,
- 7 November 2019, 5:30-6:30pm at F.S Garside Park, Granville
- 8 November 2019, 3:15-4:15pm Rosella Park, Harris Park

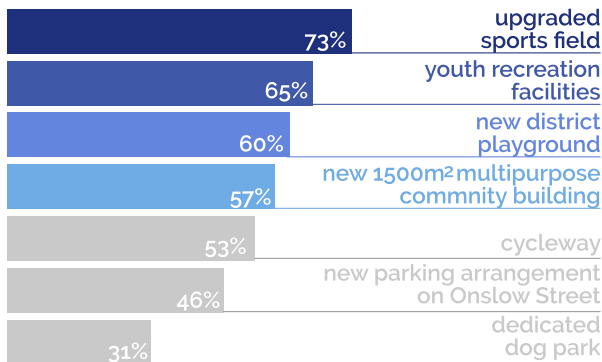
Key issues & concerns

- Participants have suggested further engagement and community consultation was needed
- Some participants have also suggested carpark arrangements to stay at their current state
- Some participants did not agree with the parking arrangement and considered it to encourage anti-social behaviour
- The dog park was perceived a low priority for the site
- Participants are worried about tree removal during construction
- Concerns around contamination and why the site is currently fenced off

Ideas & other comments

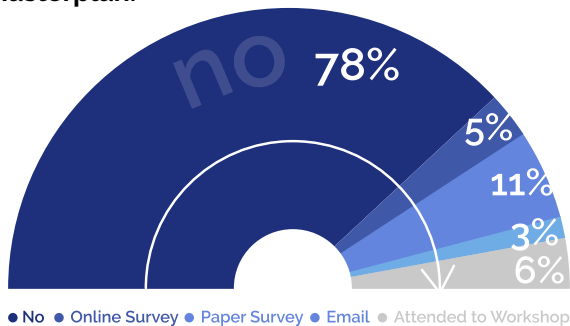
- Cricket and basketball were sports suggested for the site, as well as water sports and a swimming pool
- Community facilities and the new community building were valued by participants
- A cafe on site was consistently suggested
- It was also suggested to include the railway connection and repurpose it for a cycleway
- Recreation facilities highlighted include toilets, barbecues, shade, skateparks, rock climbing and water play features

What do participants like about the Masterplan?

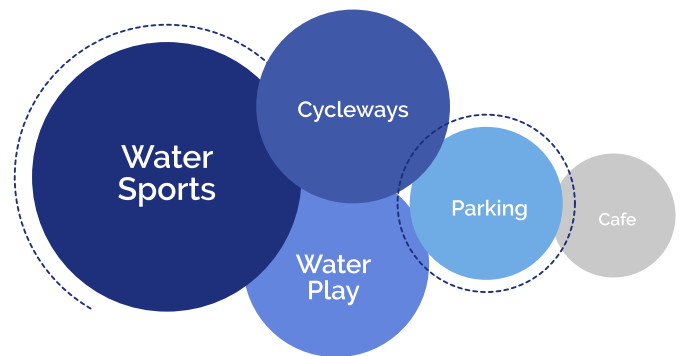


- Sports and facilities for the youth are the favourite elements for participants

Participants that have provided information earlier in the year to inform the Draft Masterplan:



- Most participants that have completed the survey during drop in sessions have not provided information earlier in the process



What is your Gender?

46% male | 50% female | 4% Prefer not to say

How old are you?

25-39 63% | 18-24 13% | 40-49 9%

Do you speak a language other than English at home?

40% yes | 60% no

Residents Drop In Session

An additional drop in for residents was undertaken at the Masterplan site, F.S. Garside Park for residents to express their doubts and concerns around the North Granville Community Facilities Masterplan. A total of 15 residents attended the session. To clarify and answer resident's questions, the drop in session had the following City of Parramatta representatives in attendance:

- Councillor Patricia Procriv
- Councillor Andrew Wilson
- Bruce Mills, Place Services Manager
- Myly Truong, Place Manager
- Erin Lottey, James Hardy Project Manager
- Adam Cook, Senior Landscape Architect
- Guy McDonald, Property Manager

Key Issues



Carparks on Onslow and Arthur St

- Neighbours are not happy with the location nor staging of the car parks on Onslow and Arthur Street
- The proposed car parks are perceived to increase anti-social behaviour, encroachment and lack of privacy to the neighbourhood
- Proposed carpark will have negative impacts on the neighbours
- Onstreet parking will have a negative impact on residents who live in Onslow, Alfred and Arthur Street
- The new proposed park will promote anti-social behaviour and illegal activities



Demolishing the existing community building

- The community disagrees with demolishing of the existing community building due to its history in the local community as well as the potential to renovate it
- Residents are reluctant in believing the new community facilities building will be constructed
- Council explained that the decision of removing the existing community building was voted and therefore cannot be changed



Consultation Process and Masterplan's Timeline

- Residents are not satisfied with the consultation process nor the Masterplan's timeline as they consider were not properly informed or heard to inform the Draft Masterplan design
- New and further consultation was suggest as well as moving key elements of the Draft Masterplan - the car parks on Onslow and Arthur Street - to stage 2 so residents can be engaged on t
- Community consultation with neighbourhood was not properly undertaken



Contamination on the site

- Contamination matters were raised by residents, particularly regarding why was the site currently fenced and how contamination would be solved
- The process of capping the site to mitigate contamination risks was explained in detail to residents and case studies of nearby areas were also provided



Trees & Urban Heat

- Neighbourhood members are worried mature trees are going to be removed from the site for the Masterplan's completion
- This community perceives the project will increase urban heat in the area deriving from the car parks, the removal of established trees and the use of artificial turf
- Explanations provided on this matter refer the further engagement process happening regarding specific designs for the Masterplan
- The use of artificial turf is to increase community use of the sports fields and maximise the services provided for the community while still serving the existing soccer club



Increased traffic through Arthur St

- Connecting Onslow and Arthur Street will highly increase traffic on those streets and promote anti social behaviour



Suggestions

- Other suggestions for improvement near the Masterplan site include the usage of the railway near Duck Creek as well as the land underneath the M4 corridor, which was planned to be used for sports facilities. However, these suggestions cannot be undertaken by Council, who does not own the land on either of these locations.
- Lack of a onsite cafe
- Dog park is not a priority for the community
- Dog park is too far away from the carpark and people have to walk dogs through the youth area

Submissions received by Council

During the public exhibition of the North Granville Community Facilities Draft Masterplan, the following was received by City of Parramatta:

- A submission from a state agency, Sydney Water, particularly regarding their assets in F.S. Garside Park
- A submission from a local sporting operator - Granville Rage Football Club
- A submission from a sports organisation - Football NSW
- A submission from an independent community development consultant
- Submissions from adjoining residents of Arthur, Alfred and Onslow Street
- A petition signed by 73 residents

Key Issues

Sydney Water

- Any works impacting the Duck Creek stormwater channel or the large wastewater main running underneath the planned community building will require compliance with requirements from Sydney Water
- Any land level changes and proposed buildings need to be tested as the area has high risk of flooding
- The proposed community building is considered to be a risk to safety as it is located in a high hazard flood zone and would attract people to floodways
- The new community building was considered to create a dark area behind the building, which can increase anti social behaviour
- Duck Creek's current poor water quality already generates complaints, which are likely to increase with higher numbers of visitors to the site
- Resolving Duck Creek's issues would require high investment from Sydney Water
- The Masterplan should include the installation of stormwater treatment devices
- The route identified in Parramatta Ways along Duck Creek should be included in the North Granville Community Facilities Masterplan

Granville Rage Football Club

- Granville Rage has highlighted the elite level football tradition on site and the club's contribution to the precinct's maintenance throughout the years
- The club considers that changes proposed in the Draft Masterplan mean the ground will no longer meet NPL's requirements: a perimeter fencing, a warm up area and undercover seating for spectators
- The club considers it should have guaranteed tenure yearly or in a 3 year arrangement
- The club requested current security of the field to be maintained, only allowing other uses of the field through a main gate during daylight hours
- Capping the existing contamination and providing seating for spectators was suggested by Granville Rage
- Female friendly facilities were suggested for inclusion on the Masterplan

Football NSW

- The organisation supports the improvement of F.S. Garside Park, in particular to what relates to sporting facilities
- Football NSW stated its full support in applying synthetic turf to the soccer field in the Masterplan
- Opening the field to the general public outside of organised sport hours is also supported given the following requirements:
 - The field has synthetic turf
 - Only one access point for the general public and perimeter fencing around the field

Seegreen Communications

- Did not agree with the community building taking precedent over open space
- Requested more trees to reduce urban heat
- Suggested more adventure outdoor challenges and green outdoor spaces
- Requested consideration for additional scout and girl guide hall construction within Parramatta LGA

Submissions received by Council

Key Issues

Petition

- A petition was received by Council signed by 73 residents of Arthur Street, Alfred Street, Kemp Street, Gray Street, Onslow Street and Parramatta Road represented by a resident of Onslow Street, Hayley Coghlan
- Residents consider the Masterplan's consultation did not engage with the adjoining neighbours of the site
- The petition requested a six month extension to the consultation period
- Key concerns highlighted in the petition include the proposed carparks as well as the demolition of the two existent community building

Adjoining Residents

- Adjoining residents from Arthur, Alfred and Onslow Street have sent submissions to Parramatta City Council
- Most submissions requested an extension of the consultation period for further six months, so residents in the local area could provide feedback on the draft Masterplan
- The carpark was the element of the Masterplan that was most objected, since residents consider it is unnecessary and it will attract anti social behaviour, noise, illegal activities while also increasing urban heat
- One resident from Onslow Street rejected 90 degree parking in Onslow Street
- Some residents consider the existing facilities serve current users of the site, particularly regarding parking, the community hall and the playground
- The proposed community hall was also mentioned across the majority of submissions for the following reasons:
 - There are two existing community facilities buildings that could be maintained and enhanced through the Masterplan and not demolished as proposed on the draft
 - The new community building is not necessary as residents feel the local area has sufficient community facilities to serve residents
 - The construction of the building should be moved to Stage 2 of the Masterplan
- The Scout Hall is currently the meeting place for the neighbourhood, which has donated in the past to the building's maintenance - the building is considered by most to be part of the local culture and residents have stated it should remain on the site
- The youth facilities were perceived as a concrete playground which will worsen the air and noise pollution as well as increase urban heat - these facilities were suggested to be moved to the corridor under the M4 as suggested previously by State Government
- Some residents also objected the proposed cycleway on Alfred Street
- Residents have objected the removal of mature trees that work as a buffer to their property, provide habitat for the wildlife and ease the effects of urban heat in the neighbourhood
- Submissions from adjoining residents also rejected astro turfing the soccer field as it will reduce the amount of green space and increase urban heat and the risk of flooding
- Two residents have stated that the draft masterplan does not provide enough green space to serve the area
- The dog park should have its own formal area on the Masterplan
- Residents questioned the current fencing off of the site and the contamination issues:
 - Some submissions mentioned the of capping the site as a solution to asbestos contamination
 - More transparency regarding contamination was requested
 - Two submissions mentioned the site should not be currently fenced off as contamination issues were not as bad



Phase 2

Key Conclusions



Conclusions: Key Issues Raised

New Community Building	Online	Pop Up	Resident Drop In	Sydney Water	Granville Rage	Football NSW	Adjoining residents submissions
• The new community building's staging and funding caused uncertainty with some residents			√				
• Demolition of the existing buildings - the Scouts Hall and the Community Building has raised concerns	√		√			√	√
• Scale and location of the new community building is not supported			√	√		√	√
• The proposed building and its location may attract anti-social behaviour				√		√	√
• Risk for public safety due to high flood risk				√			
• The construction of the new building was suggested to be moved to Stage 2 of the Masterplan			√				√
How does the Masterplan address this?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The demolition of the existing 1-3 Onslow Street building was endorsed by Council at meeting 13 August 2018, separate to this masterplan process and is likely to proceed regardless. <p>Following public exhibition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The design for the community building within Stage 2 is will require further site analysis and community consultation. Council is seeking to endorse Stage 1 of the Masterplan which fulfils the intent of the Parramatta Road Urban Amenity Improvement Program. 						
Recommended Next Steps	Further community consultation and investigations are recommended to determine the best outcome for Stage 2, including future parking and community building provision and design.						

Conclusions

Parking	Online	Pop Up	Resident Drop In	Sydney Water	Granville Rage	Football NSW	Adjoining residents submissions
• Parking arrangements proposed in the Draft Masterplan were questioned	√	√	√				√
• The development of the new carpark was perceived as too early in the Masterplan process for residents			√				√
• Carpark arrangements are considered to encourage anti-social behaviour in the neighbourhood	√	√	√				√
• Carparks proposed may increase urban heat in the neighbourhood							√
• Adjoining neighbours criticised the size of the carpark and close vicinity to their properties			√				√
• Perimeter fencing and only one access point to soccer field						√	
How does the Masterplan address this?	Following public exhibition: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parking between Onslow and Arthur Street will be incorporated to Stage 2 and subject to further site analysis and community consultation • Stage 1 of the Masterplan will have less parking spaces overall, reducing hard surfaces and potentially reducing anti-social behaviour 						
Recommended Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further community consultation and investigations are recommended to determine the best outcome for Stage 2, including future parking and community building provision and design 						

Conclusions

Dog Park	Online	Pop Up	Resident Drop In	Sydney Water	Granville Rage	Football NSW	Adjoining residents submissions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The dog park was considered of low priority for the community by some participants 	√	√					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The dog park's location was perceived as too far from the carpark and questions were raised about the need to cross the youth area to access the dog park 	√						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The dog park should have its own formal area in the Masterplan 							√
<p>How does the Masterplan address this?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A dedicated fenced area for the dog park is provided within the Masterplan site The dog park location was chosen for an area otherwise unsuited to a community building or play given its proximity to Parramatta Road 						
<p>Recommended Next Steps</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any further issues with the dog park may be addressed through design development and detail design including identifying an alternative location within the Masterplan site 						

Urban Heat

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents have suggested water play features to ease the effects of heat in the area 	√	√					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removal of existing mature trees during the construction period 		√	√	√			√
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rejection of astro turfing the soccer field due to worse effects on urban heat 							√
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Propose youth facilities are considered to worsen urban heat on the site and its surroundings 							√
<p>How does the Masterplan address this?</p>	<p>Following public exhibition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Masterplan was amended to show additional trees and less concrete surfaced activities at the youth recreational area. Synthetic turf was selected as the only surface durable enough to provide extended public use of the sports field. Additional tree planting was added to provide increased shade to the field. 						
<p>Recommended Next Steps</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canopy cover, urban heat and natural characteristics are key considerations within the detailed design of the park, in accordance with the project principles outlined in the Masterplan 						

Conclusions

Consultation Process	Online	Pop Up	Resident Drop In	Sydney Water	Granville Rage	Football NSW	Adjoining residents submissions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some participants feel the consultation process undertaken in June 2019 was not thorough, particularly regarding the neighbourhood where F.S. Garside Park is located 			√				√
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Further six months period of community consultation was requested 							√
<p>How does the Masterplan address this?</p>	<p>Following public exhibition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The community building and additional parking were considered key issues. Both these components are part of Stage 2 which is now subject to further site analysis and community consultation. 						
<p>Recommended Next Steps</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional community input to be allowed for during Stage 2 overall design The detailed design process for Stage 1 will also include further opportunities for the community to provide feedback 						

Contamination

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants showed concerns around the contamination on site and how it affects its users, requesting more transparency 	√	√	√				√
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site is currently fenced off 	√	√	√				√
<p>How does the Masterplan address this?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The current fencing of the park is a response to site testing and outside of the scope of the Masterplan 						
<p>Recommended Next Steps</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All contamination issues are to be addressed in detailed design and dealt with in a cost-effective manner that ensures there is no risk to the public 						

Conclusions

On Site Facilities	Online	Pop Up	Resident Drop In	Sydney Water	Granville Rage	Football NSW	Adjoining residents submissions
• A cafe on the site or in the close vicinity was highlighted as a priority to attract visitors	√	√					
• Toilets that are opened all year round	√	√					
• Cricket nets are highly valued by the community and are not easily accessible in the area	√						
• Masterplan should deliver improved local facilities, shade and facilities for soccer spectators	√				√		
• Accident prone cycleway proposed on Alfred Street							√
• Soccer field should maintain fencing not be opened to general public	√				√		
• Warm up area is not provided in the Draft Masterplan	√				√		
• Youth facilities considered a 'concrete playground' that reduces green space							√
How does the Masterplan address this?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide well designed and flexible facilities • Provide facilities that appeal to all ages and demographics and in response to community and stakeholder engagement. This is how we established a brief for what has been included in the park and the community building. 						
Recommended Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional facilities that are in line with the overall masterplan, such as cricket nets and toilet facilities, may be considered as part of the detailed design of the site 						



Appendix



Online Survey Questions

1. First we'd like to know a bit about you. Do you identify with any of the following?
This information to make sure everyone knows about the opportunity to provide feedback.
2. How old are you?
3. What suburb do you live in?
4. Do you identify with any of the following?
Tick all that apply.
5. Do you speak a language other than English at home?
6. If you speak a language other than English at home, what language would you prefer to receive information from Council in?
7. Now we'd like to ask some questions about how you use parks in the area. Where do you go locally for the following:
8. Which community facilities do you use locally for the following:
9. What kinds of sporting facilities do you use regularly?
10. What kinds of community facilities do you use regularly?
11. When do you mainly visit a park or an open space?
(please tick as many as applicable) (matrix: Before 9am, 9am to noon, noon to 4pm, 4pm onwards)
12. Thinking about kinds of recreation facilities you feel are needed locally, please tell us if you agree or disagree with the following statements:
(matrix: strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, strongly disagree)
North Granville needs..
Are there any other features needed in local parks?
(please specify)
13. Thinking about kinds of community facilities you feel are needed locally, please tell us if you agree or disagree with the following statements:
(matrix: strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, strongly disagree)
Are there any other features needed in local parks?
(please specify)
14. How often do you use the following facilities at F.S. Garside Park in North Granville?
(matrix: most days, weekly, monthly, 1-5 times per year, never)
15. What stops you from using these facilities more often?
(matrix: too far away, poor quality or feel unsafe, too busy/noisy, didn't know they were there, not applicable)
16. Do you have any further ideas for improvement at F.S. Garside Park? If so, please specify.
17. Would you like to be kept informed about the progress of the project?
18. If yes, please provide your email address to go into the draw to win one of five Myer gift cards
19. How did you hear about this survey?

Intercept Survey

1. Where do you go for recreational activities?

- I don't go to the local parks because of the junkies and alcoholics, they go there so families cannot go
- Out of the area because there are no facilities, although before there were a bit more facilities
- When my daughter was little I used to go to FS Garside Park
- Stopped going to FS Garside Park because it is unsafe - prefer going to Balmain and City
- Granville Park - other than that there is not much
- Robin Thomas Reserve (Harris Park)
- Around Parramatta and Cumberland
- There's not many good spaces
- Not beyond Parramatta Road
- Nowhere around Parramatta
- Walk around neighbourhood
- Granville Park, Merrylands
- Lizard Log, Wetherill Park
- Auburn Botanic Gardens
- Shopping in Parramatta
- Parramatta parks, river
- Silverwater, Wilson Park
- Granville Diggers Club
- Auburn Progress Park
- Royal National Park
- Homebush Bay
- Holroyd Gardens
- Parramatta Park
- New to place
- Granville Park X8
- Garside Park X4
- Tennis courts
- Stay at home
- I train at home
- Auburn parks
- Parramatta X3
- Not much
- Local park
- Canada Bay
- Merrylands
- Wollongong
- Duck Creek
- Backyard
- To the city
- Church
- I don't
- Parks
- City
- Home X2
- Gym X2
- Pub

2. What do you think North Granville needs in terms of parks and community facilities?

- This area is neglected, there are no facilities for adults nor kids
- Facilities for young kids - only 2 swings for 1000 people
- No change on outdoor dining if there are no customers
- The carpark is a problem for businesses, we are losing customers and other businesses have moved
- Educate the community - more important than buildings we need to educate the community to be responsible
- Green spots around the neighbourhood, flower beds
- Recreation area, bbq, areas to seat and eat outdoors
- Family-friendly, not for drug dealers to take over
- More playgrounds and exercise machines
- Somewhere we can go with the family, with cooking facilities and playgrounds
- Parks and spaces for kids with barbecues, cover and shade for families
- Need more parks - it is really busy on this park because there are no other options (Granville Park)
- More development and more playgrounds
- Safety regarding unleashed dogs around kids
- A lot of shops are closed on weekends
- Markets, you can have it in the park too
- Library - kids room needs updating
- Garside waterway is really polluted and all the rubbish goes into it
- More community facilities - town hall
- There is not much to do, it needs parks and recreation opportunities
- There are a lot of playgrounds, but not good ones in Granville, not walking distance
- More gated parks for kids to be safe
- It is a congested and populated area
- Parking - businesses are struggling
- Playgrounds that are safe for kids
- Communal parks like Burwood
- New training grounds for sports
- Safety in the parks - it is violent
- More open spaces and shops
- Parks closer to the station
- Quiet and relaxation spaces
- Peace and relaxed spaces
- Needs more green space
- Toilets in public spaces
- Shade - very important
- Swings in playgrounds
- Pedestrian crossings
- This park is enough

Intercept Survey

2. What do you think North Granville needs in terms of parks and community facilities?

- Dog friendly parks
- Needs more greenery
- Lights - non existent!
- Canteens on parks
- Traffic management
- Don't bother parks
- Not enough parks
- Block out sound
- Clean footpaths
- Supermarkets
- Family friendly
- There are enough
- Leisure centres
- Clean bathrooms
- Outdated parks
- More parking X4
- Another bridge
- Special events
- I don't know
- Speed bumps
- Safety
- Playgrounds X2
- Water parks X4
- Cycle paths
- Picnic areas
- More parks X2
- Everything
- Shopping
- Nature
- Parks
- CCTV
- BBQ X2
- It's ok X3
- Good X2

3. What do you like about FS Garside Park?

- Doesn't have bbq nor shade and there is not much to do
- Greenery, there is not natural habitats for the kids to play
- I don't like it because there are no facilities
- Community Hall could be opened to families and have programs for the community
- Toddler friendly, not just for older children
- Accessible and longer parking
- Played soccer there, good size
- Not really much there is it?
- Quiet and close to home
- I just walked across it
- Have a recycling bin
- Nobody goes there
- We haven't used it
- I haven't been X21
- I don't go there
- Never walked in
- I don't like it
- Not my thing
- Playground
- Greenery X3
- Trees, shade
- Kid friendly
- Too clean
- Parking
- Laid back
- Close
- No X4
- It's ok

Intercept Survey

4. Is there anything stopping you from visiting FS Garside Park more often?

- I don't go there, money needs to be spent somewhere else
- Could have sheltered areas and electric barbecues
- Lack of things, it needs a bigger playground
- Footpaths and curbs are not pram friendly
- There is not any other option for parks
- Parents don't take kids to that soccer club
- More public awareness of the park itself
- Not necessarily safe - there are cars there with smashed windows
- Lack of awareness of the park itself
- Parramatta Road is not safe for kids
- Granville Park is more accessible
- Further away, mostly soccer
- Just didn't know it existed
- No, just the lack of facilities
- Creek is not appealing
- Didn't know it existed
- Ground is very unlevelled
- There is not much there
- Not enough crossings
- Granville Park is closer
- We are new here
- Never heard of it
- Not interesting
- More parking
- Not interested
- Not my thing
- Not big enough
- I don't know
- Not in my way
- Far from me
- New to place
- Never visited
- No toilets
- Work/home
- Not safe
- No time
- Nothing
- Busy X4
- Distance
- My work!
- Too far X2
- Noisy
- Good
- Work
- No X5
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Resident Drop In Session

Comments from Residents	Comments from Council	Topic
We (neighbours) held a neighbourhood meeting in which we agreed that we feel we haven't been properly informed and we do not like the Masterplan		Consultation
Why is the fence up?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contamination from the 30s 40s tip. The best use of public money would be to fence the areas in which contamination could come to the surface. The reason why the park is currently fenced off is because the risk of contamination surfacing is higher especially with the existing drought period and water restrictions imposed by Sydney Water There is a lower risk of contamination agents to rise to the surface without activity in the area that is now fenced If this project wouldn't happen, something about the contamination would still be happening in approximately 12 months, so it is actually good that the Masterplan is happening so we can deal with the contamination now 	Contamination
Why couldn't we cut the grass for it to grow stronger? it hasn't been cut in 3 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The information we have is that we had people here 3 weeks ago The last thing we want is blades in this area, as it affect the contaminants present in this soil 	Contamination
Why weren't the results of the contamination on this site made public on the draft Masterplan?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The documentation about contamination is made available to public only by request through an application - all councils have their own procedures on how to display information and Parramatta Council also has its own procedures that you can go through in order to access the contamination studies The length of the contamination studies would not fit the Draft Masterplan 	Contamination
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A petition is already circulating My neighbours cannot come to a one hour session in the park because they are working, so this is not proper for a consultation on the Draft Masterplan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Greater Sydney Commission has made recommendations to State Government on how to deal with population growth in this area, as Granville expects a 330% population growth for the next years which will primarily live in apartments The zoning decisions on where those apartment developments go are from the State Government, and those developments we see near Granville Station are just the tip of the iceberg - we will get much more and need to prepare Granville for that growth so we can properly serve the future community State Government took the recommendations of the Greater Sydney Commission and funded Councils along Parramatta Road to upgrade facilities - one of those Councils is Parramatta Council, which received funding to specifically upgrade F.S. Garside Park The reason F.S. Garside Par got funding is because it was considered the only park in this area that can serve the expected population growth for Granville Requirements from the State Government to this area include streetscape upgrades, do a smaller park in Granville, connect F.S. Garside Park to the M4 cycleway and update F.S. Garside Park, hence the Draft Masterplan - we are here to ask you what do you want this park to be? 	Governance and Consultation

Resident Drop In Session

Comments from Residents	Comments from Council	Topic
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I have been fined twice on my driveway but everyone else can come in and park on my neighbourhood? How moving the carpark will change behaviour? It is only going to make it worse The main issue is the parking location on Onslow and Arthur Street - people can even climb up a tree and get into the houses Why is even parking needed? The main concern we have - we know it is for the whole district - but those 7 parking spots are gonna bring a lot of problems to this neighbourhood - you are only promoting bad behaviour 	<p>Design Principles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flexible and well designed park that maximises green spaces as well as improving safety for the site users, by pushing car parking spots to the sides Do not reduce parking numbers since we want to attract more people to visit the park Introduce 90 degree parking to maximise space in Onslow Street Connect Onslow to Arthur St for improved circulation and access Increased parking is needed because it is a district park that is going to serve not only Granville, but also Rosehill and Harris Park 	Design Principles and Parking
<p>This is our home and we are stressed - streets created by this timeline</p>		Consultation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At the time the parking provision around this site is location for anti social behaviour and all day dumping - the response to this is very slow Council takes a lot of time to respond Not a lot of commuter parking on this site for the station 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would you be open to a resident parking scheme? This is a matter that is independent of parking 	Parking
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Why not moving the carpark to the area under the freeway - Why can't Parramatta Council utilise the corridor that was promised to be sports facilities by taking some of the concreting and make use of it for the community? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council has tried to work with State Government and it is actually a Council goal to make use of the space beneath the freeway There was discussion with RMS for Council to take over some of the land over there RMS took all the land of because it is all contaminated - RMS has to deliver land fit for purpose so the contamination had to be dealt with Cheapest way of dealing with contamination is by capping - capping doesn't mean hard surface - a blanket is placed on top of it, then soil, then the top surface is normally grass. This approach saves money because it avoids having to dispose off contaminated soil off site We agree with what you want to do with the land under the freeway but we cannot do anything, Council does not own that land 	Usage of the land under the M4 corridor

Resident Drop In Session

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With the roll out of this Masterplan, can you work with State Government for them to take care of their *** and do what they promised (sports facilities under M4) and you do your **** and make beautification 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What the State Government has asked us to do is to upgrade this park - to do as much as we can so the assets are improved before the population comes in - we are building it for you, but also for the community that does not live here yet • We are placing retractable gates in the sports field like Redfern oval - one of the examples for this park - so the community can use it when there are no games on • Flooding: deal with it through design in the new community building. For example, a community building in Sydney has a massive tank underneath where all the flooding goes and the water is used to irrigate the park • The masterplan is a document that Councils adopt for 10 to 15 years that includes decisions Council has to budget for • Most masterplans do not have a big check from the state - this one is unique because it has a 13m funding, combined with Good Street to make a public plaza. For F.S. Garside is 5.6 million • There is no money for the community building yet - but we will accommodate budget for it and when we have the funding we will do community engagement specific for that stage • This first check is primarily for the oval and park's centre - and we have a timeline from the State Government we need to respond to 	<p>Masterplan / Purpose</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a community building that no one has used for 12 years however your team hasn't even stepped inside the building • The community building was built in 1957 by the whole community and soccer team through a strong community spirit and that soccer club has even produced Socceroos. The building has community history and is getting knocked down without the guarantee of funding that we are gonna have a community building • There was access to the building for the whole community: there were poker machines, workshops, dance classes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Council has resolved - which means your local representatives have voted - that we are gonna demolish that building. I don't even have authority to decide otherwise • The soccer club that built the community building went bankrupt and got taken over - that soccer club also got bankrupt - then acre club was there 3 years and moved out • In the meantime the club got vandalised - it went up for tender - a group of Indians representing a multicultural hub wanted a 30 year lease, but Council cannot do 30 year leases to anyone. That group wanted to extend the building and take over it. We could not have done as we were giving the club to a ethnic club - meaning that the general community had no access • We went there: there is no light because there are no windows on the second floor there is no windows, it is all divided into small rooms • Bottom line is your elective representatives have voted to demolish the building - we cannot change it and in this Masterplan we are allowing that to happen • If you want the building to stay, the only possible way is for you to lobby your local councillors 	<p>Existing Community Building</p>

Resident Drop In Session

Comments from Residents	Comments from Council	Topic
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I don't agree, it will have the opposite effect. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feedback on the parking? What is the best location for the services location? We don't want to force people coming to park on the surrounding streets and other people's parking Another requirement was to block Onslow Street end and connecting Onslow and Arthur to remove any anti-social activity by encouraging movement and to promote safety and making it also being inside the par 	Parking
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This area area has no natural grass so the artificial turf is going to make it even hotter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The soccer club wanted to fence the field to rest the grass - that is why we need artificial turf - we use it serve more population while still serving the club Artificial turf increases the possibility to have general use in the field and works well with the capping We maximise green space that by increasing shade and working on the edge to compensate the use of artificial turf on the field Smart poles - humidity and air monitoring - w will literally put mist out when it is too hot There is more people everywhere so council needs solutions to make space cooler 	Green space
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What about the club? We own our houses and you didn't negotiate with us but you negotiated with the club that leases the land 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The club needs to have it fenced during the game - but with artificial turf we don't need it fenced outside of game times The gates are going to be open for the community, we have had conversations with the club about this and it is a requirement 	Consultation and Use of Sports Field
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I want to speak about climate change: We have gumtree that have reached 20 years old - I want to know how many trees are you taking out Next 20 years are gonna be hell for us because of the lack of trees, so please keep as many trees as possible 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We don't know the exact number but there will be some trees taken out to make space for the services we need to provide, but we will also provide new trees 'The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best time is tomorrow' The reason is population growth: we need a usable space for the community and for that we will need to remove some trees, but of cours no one likes removing mature trees - we need to do that to make this space work 	Climate Change / Trees
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Onslow and Arthur street will be high traffic areas because of the connection you are doing A resident has spoke to Local MP Julia - she has seen projects like this not going through and it is very sad to see a community building go There is more certainty in renovating the existing building 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council made the decision to get money for the building - we all have to save money in our lives and that is also how Council projects work Flood area: the community building will be on stalks to manage potential floods Community engagement for this project was clear about the need for the community building Scouts, mums group, hot yoga, etc all can function in the new building 	Community Building

Resident Drop In Session

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How the developers were not obligated to provide community facilities and green space? • Council was under investigation when the new developments in Granville went up? • I get letters from Cumberland Council for my address to be a part of their LGA • Would this Masterplan still happen if we go to Cumberland Council? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regarding the administration of Parramatta Council, the only thing we can say is that if you think something is wrong report it - there are many agencies and Ombudsman to report those type of situations • Regarding the Cumberland Council letters, that is an initiative Cumberland Council is proposing but the decision is made by State Government • If that were to happen, we would take all our information and funding and hand it to Cumberland's Council team - this funding was given to Parramatta Council through State Government on recommendation of the Greater Sydney Commission to allow for population growth. If Cumberland Council does not upgrade F.S. Garside and leaves it as is population is still growing and will still need facilities 	Governance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We weren't given proper consultation in June • What is the timeframe to get it built? • Please listen to our feedback as it will inform the design • It is not that we don't want the building, but we do not believe we are getting a new community building • We understand that this is happening across different areas, but maybe other Councils have consulted neighbours properly and you haven't 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The timeline was set by State Government and we need to respond to it • The estimated timeframe is 12 months for contraction only, not specific design that would need to happen first • By requesting more time, we cannot deliver the project within the timeline set by State Government • In summary, you would like to keep the existing community building, do not have the carparks in Onslow and Arthur Street and keep as many trees as possible 	Project Timeline Consultation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encroaching on someone's privacy to provide parking for something that may not be built (community building) is not fair • Can it all become stage 2 - both car parks? • Parallel parking is a fabulous idea for us 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In stage 1 we are removing car parking and in stage 2 we will actually add more parking numbers • We did traffic studies - we need to at least maintain what we have here - part of this project is connecting to the original cycleway and that is a constrain in adding parking in Alfred Street • We also need to minimise how far people with disabilities and elderly need to walk to access the community space • Issues with reducing car parking are that on game day there won't be enough parking provision for visitors 	Staging Parking
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggestions of making a cycleway in the railway near Duck Creek • Traffic jam between Parramatta Road and Alfred Street 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Railway corridor is not owned by council - we would also like to make it a cycleway but is states decision • The intersection between Parramatta Road and Alfred Street is a traffic issue, but is a RMS matter as Council does not operate nor control big intersections - it is a State Government responsibility 	Roads & Traffic

Resident Drop In Session

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Just fix the carpark! • Cctv, bollards, anything to make it safe • Yes, if you put in boom gates and close the car park at night the problem is solved and we can all go home • We still need to think about the climate change as carpark would make our neighbourhood really hot and people would still dump illegally on the area • If you make all carparks stage 2 we can talk about it 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If we put in boom gates and close car parks at night, would that fix your problem with the carparks? 	Parking
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are sending in personal letters so please read them • Is frustrating to have kids drawings in the consultation and us not being consulted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is going to be a report back to Council with all the engagement results which will address in detail each piece of feedback and that is going to be made public • This is Democracy in action - we are happy to listen to your feedback and you can also come to the council meeting and make yourself heard 	Consultation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can you make an assessment about the parking provision being for the elderly, prams and disabled? • There is a new community centre being built on Cumberland Council's side of Granville, why do we need another community building here? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regarding the assessment, the community this site will serve is not here yet so the results would be different • Massive deficit of community facilities on the area's studies 	Community Facilities Deficit

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DESIGN CHALLENGE

A new park for North Granville

The population of Granville is increasing. More and more families will be living in apartments and smaller homes. In these neighbourhoods, libraries are studies, parks are playgrounds, ovals are backyards, and community meeting rooms are living rooms to host family birthday parties and other social functions.

FS Garside Park and its community buildings need to be improved to support the future people living in Granville.

City of Parramatta is inviting local school children to participate in a competition to design a new park and community spaces to play, relax and hang out.



What you will need to do

1. Answer the questions on the worksheet provided.
2. Design a new park that the future people of Granville will need (you can draw, paint, sketch, create a collage etc). Use the worksheet provided.
3. Submit your entry by 26 July 2019.

Visit our website for more information
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DESIGN CHALLENGE

Competition Rules

1. Plan your design using the worksheet provided. You can use anything to put "on" the paper.
2. Write your name, class and school on your worksheet and design.
3. All entries must be submitted to your school by 26 July 2019.
4. Winners will be announced August 2019.
5. By signing the entry form, parents of winners consent to publication of the entry and child's first name.

Prize Categories

Year K - 2:

First prize: Pop up portable soccer goal and soccer ball
 Second Prize: Beach cricket set

Year 3 - 4:

First prize: Pop up portable soccer goal and soccer ball
 Second Prize: Beach cricket set

Year 5 - 6:

First prize: Pop up portable soccer goal and soccer ball
 Second Prize: Beach cricket set



Entry Form

Name _____

Class _____

School _____

Parents Signature _____

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Name: _____ Class: _____ School: _____

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Visit FS Garside Park and look at the facilities provided at this site: the playground, the soccer field, the dog park, the car park, the community buildings, the reserve near Duck Creek.



Park Facilities



Playground



Soccer Field



Community Building



Dog Park

1. For each of these areas note down what you like and what you don't like. What you would like to change? What would you like to keep?

2. What can Council do to make these facilities more welcoming?

3. What can Council do to make this site easier to travel to?

4. Finally using the worksheet provided, design a new park and community spaces for the people of Granville to play, relax and hang out. You can draw, paint, sketch, create a collage etc. Please include labels or a short description to demonstrate how your design will benefit the community.

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Name: _____

Age: _____

School: _____

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The tables below represent the facilities that were proposed by students, in order of how commonly they were raised.

Facilities	Total
Benches	23
Eating area	21
Toilets	21
Signage	12
Walking tracks	10
Shelter/shade	9
Rubbish bins	9
Parking	9
Bubblers	6
Bike racks	4
Pool	4
BBQ facilities	3
Lights	2
Wishing wheel/tree	2
Change rooms	2
Bus stop	2
Movie Club	1
Digital screen outside the community hall saying 'welcome' in different languages	1
Amphitheatre	2
Meeting place	1

Playground	Total
Slide	28
Swings	24
Playground	15
Rock climbing wall	14
Monkey bars	12
Seesaw	8
Sand pit	8
Different sized swings	6
Trampoline	5
Roundabout	4
Sliding pole	3
Fenced playground	3
Boat/sailing play	3
Flying fox	3
Treehouse	2
Ladder	2
Toy kitchen	1
XO game	1
Helicopter play	1
Spider climbing	1
Moving steps	1
Rubber jump (Hopscotch)	1

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Proposed Facilities

The tables below represent the facilities that were proposed by students, in order of how commonly they were raised.

Community Hall	Total
Community building	12
Paint community hall	2
Computers	1
Tables and chairs	1
Timber outline	1
Therapy room	1
Music workshop	1
Kitchen	1
Community hub	1

Dog Park	Total
Dog play equipment	13
Fenced dog park	5
Dog training area	3
Dog bubbler and wash station	4
Pet daycare	1

Water Features	Total
Water park	11
Frog/fish pond	4

Food	Total
Cafe	8
Canteen	3
Ice cream	1

Sport	Total
Soccer field	24
Basketball court	11
Cycling paths	8
Exercise equipment	7
Basketball hoop	5
Skate park	4
Cricket park	3
Tennis court	3
Racing track	2
Handball courts	2
Rides	2
Running field	1

Greenery	Total
Trees	11

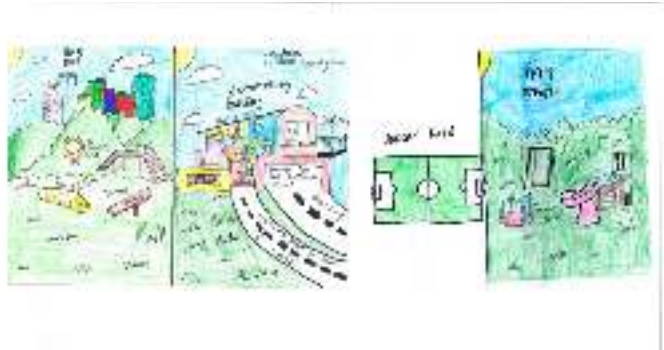
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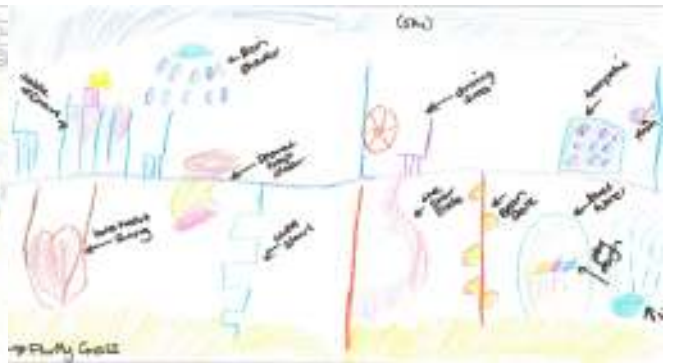
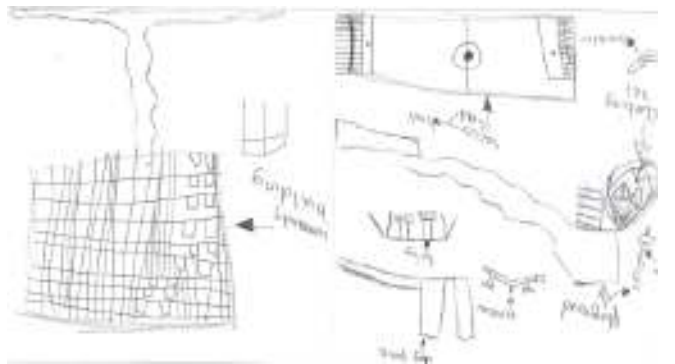
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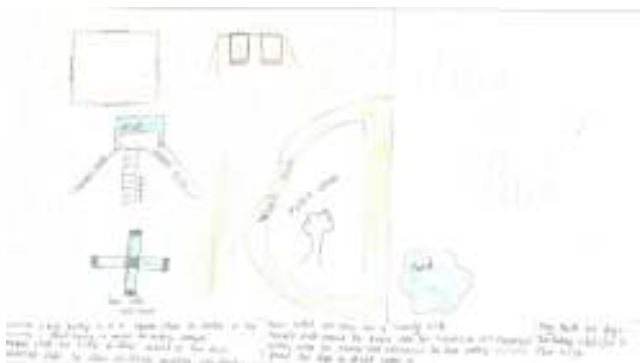
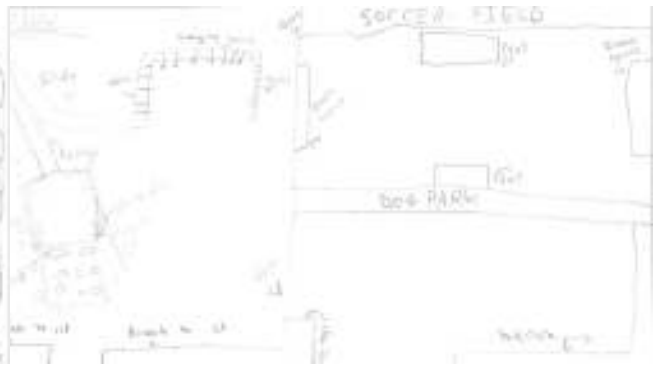
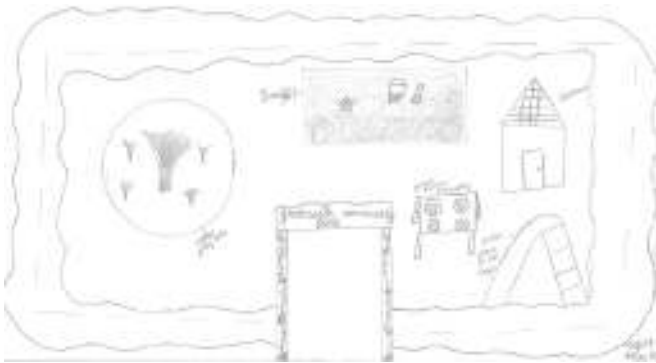
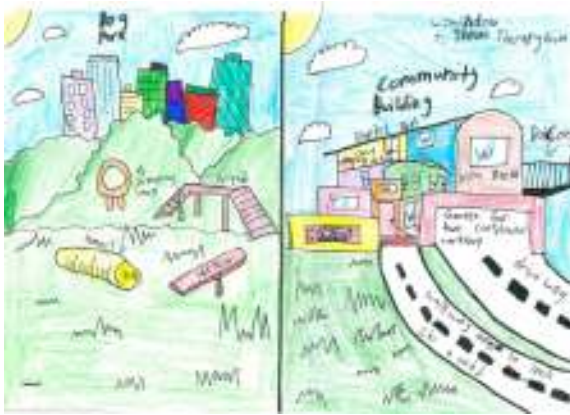
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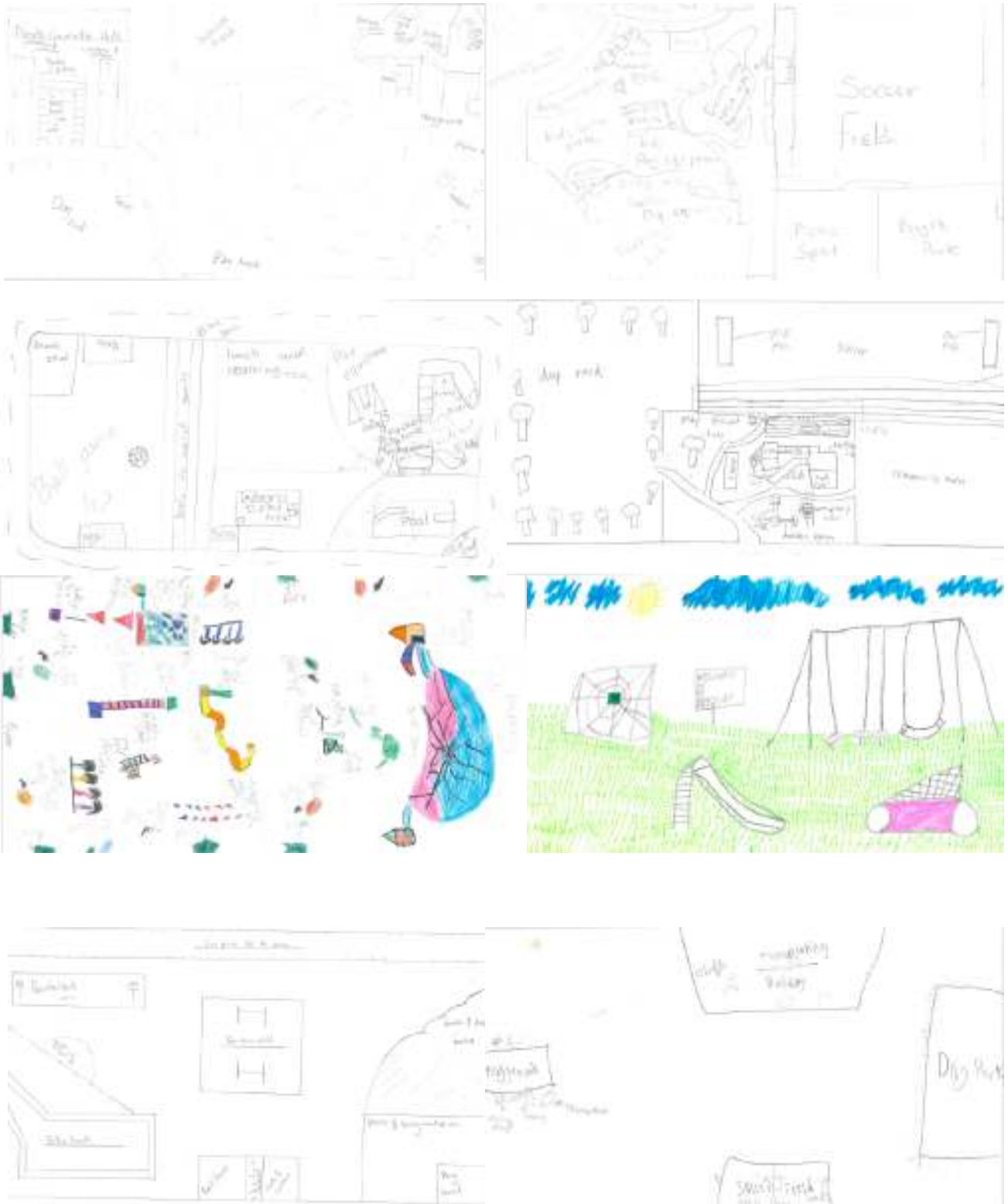
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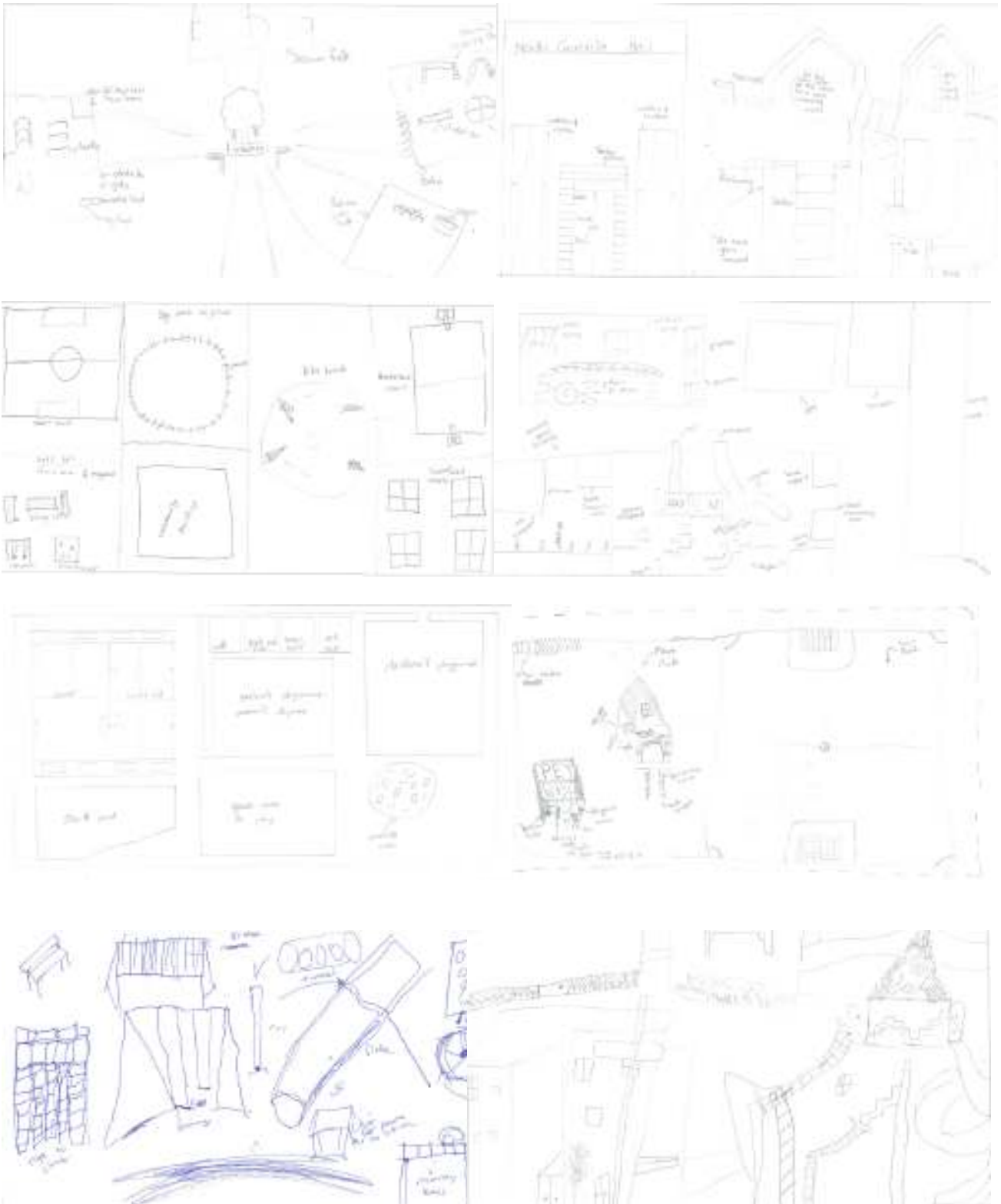
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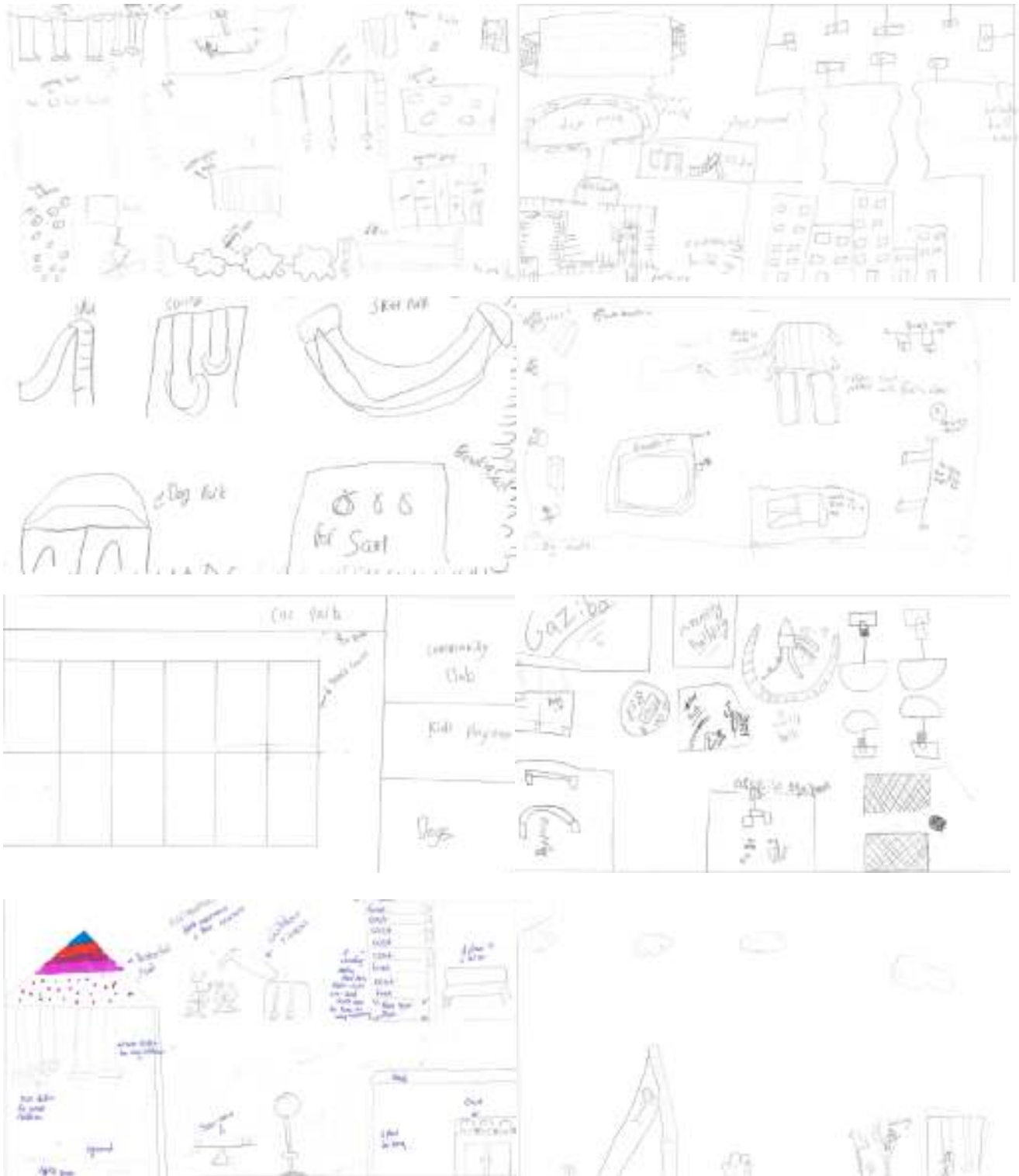
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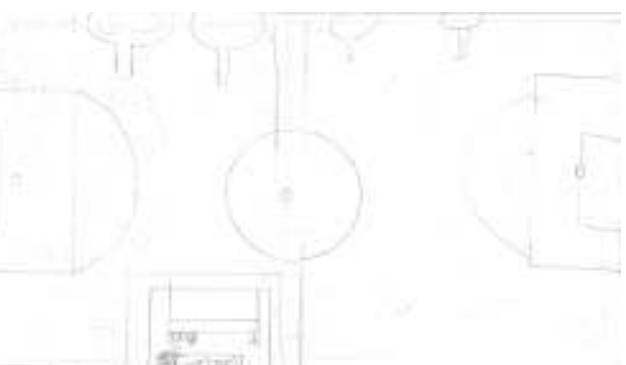
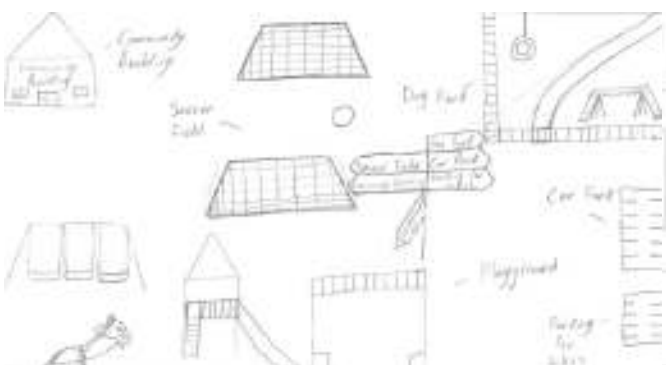
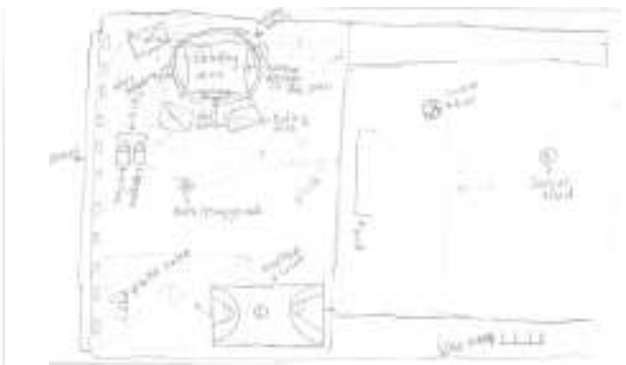
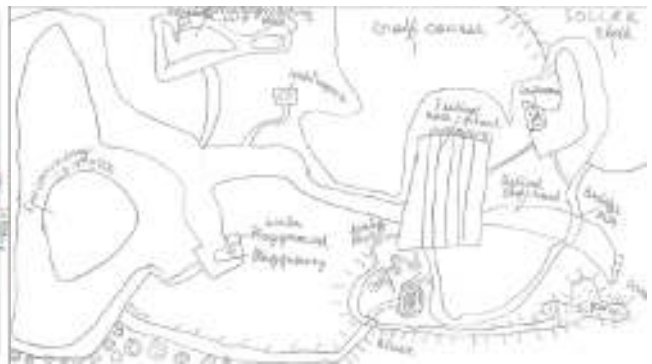
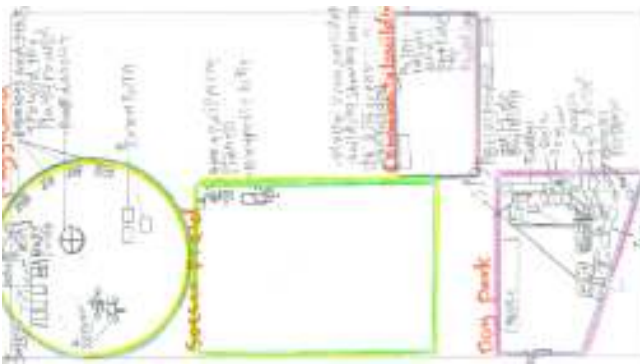
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