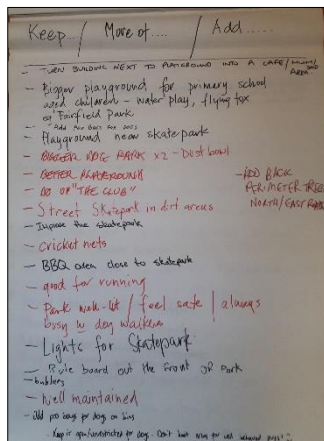


# Five Dock Park Plan of Management

## Community Engagement Report



Your subject? Five Dock

1. What do you value most about Five Dock Park, or why is this Park important to you?

It is a lovely open space where I can walk my dog, socialise with other dog owners, just sit and enjoy amongst the trees. The long-term advice from the council is to build around in a planned and environment.

2. How often do you visit this Park? How do you usually get to the Park park, bicycle, car, public transport, on foot, walking or wheeling a dog, and what do you typically do there?

Every day, I walk to the park almost every day from my house. I usually play and walk with my small dog, we also stop and talk with other dog owners.

3. What do you consider to be the main issues or challenges that should be addressed in the future management of Five Dock Park? (Please list in your order of importance)

- 1) Funding for the needs of different types of dogs and their owners
- 2) Improving the lighting of the grounds with rubbish, dog poo etc.
- 3) Provision of a decent playground for children

Others:

Maintenance of the garden - need for



for the



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# 1. INTRODUCTION

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## 1.1 Background

The City of Canada Bay is preparing a new “Plan of Management” for Five Dock Park.

Council recognises that engagement with Park users, neighbours, stakeholders and the wider community plays an important role in planning for the future of Five Dock Park. Such consultation with the community as part of the Draft Plan of Management’s preparation will ensure that the document addresses existing and future leisure and recreation needs, responds to the community’s values and objectives/aspirations for the Park and its management, and addresses issues relevant to the area’s use and management. It will also help foster community “ownership” of, and support for, the resulting Plan of Management.

## 1.2 Five Dock Park Overview

Five Dock Park is located a short distance east of the Five Dock shopping centre. Bounded by Barnstaple Road, Ingham Avenue, First Avenue and Park Road the Park covers an area of approximately 8 hectares (Figure 1).

This historic park was reserved for public recreation in December 1885 with the Park’s distinctive radial path pattern, central war memorial, and formal design first laid out in the 1920s. Today Five Dock Park offers a well-maintained and attractive open space of extensive mown grass, shaded tree-lined paths plus groups of trees, and managed gardens beds with a range of facilities. The Park has:

- a flood-lit oval and small grandstand hosting both winter and summer sports;
- extensive passive use or leisure spaces including open lawn, garden beds, tree groves, seating, and covered picnic tables with nearby electric barbeques;







Figure 1 Five Dock Park

- a central war memorial;
- a small covered neighbourhood-level playground;
- a district-level skate bowl/park;
- a fenced off-leash dog area; and toilets.

In the north, on Barnstaple Road, the Tigers Five Dock Bowling Club and the Five Dock Park Tennis Centre operate on Park areas leased from Council, and a Baby Health Centre is located in the area's south-west corner.

Five Dock Park is a valuable and well-used green open space within the local area, and becoming more so with the trend to increasing residential density and reduction in private open space in the surrounding suburbs. It is a popular venue for sports, leisure and recreation activities, school use and social gatherings as well as periodically hosting organised and informal community events.

### 1.3 Engagement Objectives

The aim of the community engagement process was to encourage and provide a range of opportunities for Park users, neighbours, stakeholders and the wider Five Dock and City of Canada Bay community to provide the ideas, inputs and opinions about Five Dock Park and its future use, development and management.

This initial community engagement stage was undertaken prior to preparation of the Draft Plan of Management – specifically to provide the community's views to inform and help shape the Draft Plan's preparation. A second community review and feedback stage will occur when the Draft Plan of Management is formally exhibited for public comment (as required by the *Local Government Act 1993* and the *Crown Land Management Act 2016*).

**This *Community Engagement Report* has been prepared to document the engagement process, detail who responded, identify the key themes identified, and describe the participants' inputs and engagement outcomes.**



## 2. Community Engagement Process and Opportunities

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The community engagement process ran for over 4 weeks – from 9 August to 7 September 2018 – and comprised the elements described below.

### 2.1 Plan of Management and Engagement Awareness Raising

The following measures were used to promote community awareness of the Draft Plan of Management and opportunities for community involvement.

- A Five Dock Park Plan of Management drop-down entry/information was created on the “**Have Your Say**” page on Council’s website. The page was established on the 9<sup>th</sup> August 2018 and closed on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2018. It invited “users, the community and stakeholders to offer their views about the Park’s future – what they value about Five Dock Park, how they use the area, issues they feel need attention and suggestions or ideas for future directions for this important area, to help in preparing the new PoM.” Contact details for further information, or to submit input/responses were included. The webpage also provided downloadable versions of the *Input and Feedback Form* and the *Issues, Opportunities and Discussion Paper* (see below).
- An article inviting feedback into the Draft Plan of Management’s preparation was included in Council’s weekly update page in the **Inner West Courier newspaper** on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2018. Feedback was directed to [council@canadabay.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@canadabay.nsw.gov.au) and for further details to visit [bit.ly/FiveDockPark](http://bit.ly/FiveDockPark).

**Help shape Five Dock Park's future**

Five Dock Park, established in 1885, is the green heart of Five Dock, providing diverse open spaces for a growing community.

We are asking you to share what you love about the park, how you like to use it, and any ideas for its future. Your feedback will help shape a new Plan of Management for the park. The plan will set out how the park will be used, developed and managed over the coming years.

Please submit your feedback to [council@canadabay.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@canadabay.nsw.gov.au). To find out more visit: [bit.ly/FiveDockPark](http://bit.ly/FiveDockPark)



- On 15<sup>th</sup> August 2018 Council posted an invitation on its **Facebook page** for feedback about what people love about the Park, how they use it and for any ideas for its future. The community was invited to share their views at the Saturday on-site drop in session (see below) or by emailing [council@canadabay.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@canadabay.nsw.gov.au) and for further details to visit: [bit.ly/FiveDockPark](http://bit.ly/FiveDockPark). As of 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018 the post had received 17 comments, 5 shares, 962 views and 23 likes.



- **On-site signs** (A1 size, colour, corflute) were posted at high visibility locations throughout Five Dock Park to advertise the Plan of Management and the various opportunities to provide feedback either:
  - by completing the *Input and Feedback Form* by downloading it from Council's website; or,
  - by dropping in to one of the onsite information sessions; or,
  - by responding to the *Issues, Opportunities and Discussion Paper* available on Council's website;

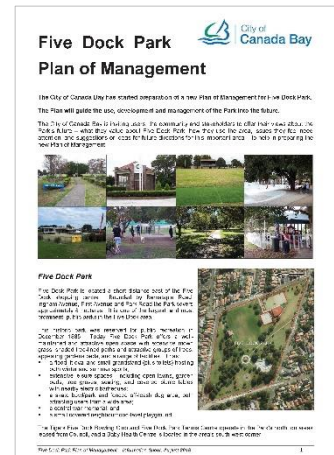


Queries were directed to Council's Parks Planner, with contact details provided.

## 2.2 Engagement Collateral

A number of documents were prepared and distributed, or made available, to the community to support the engagement process.

- **Five Dock Park Plan of Management Information Sheet** – a simple double-sided A4 Information sheet giving a brief overview of the Park, the need for a Plan of Management, the Plan's preparation process, and opportunities for community involvement and input. The Information Sheet was available from the brochure display at Council's offices at Marlborough Street Drummoyne, handed out at the two on-site information/feedback kiosks (see below), and provided on request.
  - **Five Dock Park Plan of Management - Issues, Opportunities and Discussion Paper** – a brief report summarising the Park's values, significance, planning and management context, management issues or challenges, and possible directions. Importantly the this Discussion Paper presented a range of possible directions, ideas, suggestions, alternatives or possibilities for the future use, enjoyment, appearance, and management considerations or future scenarios for all or parts of the Park for the community's consideration and comment. All were presented as possibilities or proposals only, for the community's and users' comment and feedback, at this early stage in the new Plan's preparation. Park users, neighbours and others were also able to offer alternative or additional possible directions for Five Dock Park – all ideas and views were welcome. The Discussion Paper included a "comments and response attachment" to allow for community feedback/input.
- The Discussion Paper was available to download on the Five Dock Park Plan of Management section of Council's "Have Your Say" webpage, available (for viewing only) at the two on-site information/feedback kiosks (see below), and provided (in electronic format) on request.
- An **Input and Feedback Form** was prepared to facilitate community feedback. In addition to briefly describing the Plan of Management project and community engagement process, the Input and Feedback Form contained questions around the following areas (a copy of the Input and Feedback Form at Appendix A provides more details of each question):
    - gender, age group, and suburb;
    - what do you value most about Five Dock Park ?
    - how often do you visit, how you travel there, what do you use and what do you do ?
    - what are the main issues ?
    - how should the issues be addressed ?
    - what other changes would you like ?
    - how would you like to see the park in the future ? and
    - any other comments.



The Input and Feedback Form was available to download on the Five Dock Park Plan of Management section of Council's "Have Your Say" webpage as a mail-back (reply-paid) option and also for completion as a separate PDF/electronic version. It was also distributed via the random letterbox drop (see below), handed out at the two on-site information/feedback kiosks (see below), and provided on request.

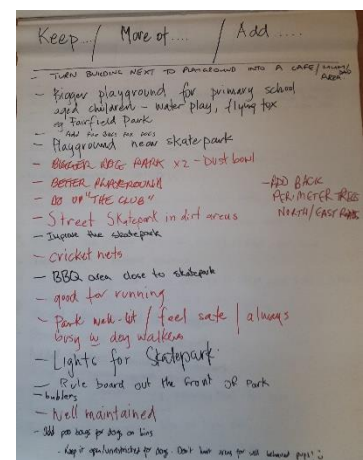
## 2.3 Engagement Activities

The following activities, or engagement opportunities, were undertaken as part of the community engagement process.

- The Input and Feedback Form was **letterbox dropped** to a random selection of 218 residences and businesses within a 300 metre (straight line) radius of the Park. A covering letter from Mayor Angelo Tsirekas, City of Canada Bay (provided at Appendix B) was included with each Form. The hard copy Input and Feedback Forms distributed were reply-paid to Gondwana Consulting.
- Two **on-site information/feedback kiosks** were held at a central location in Five Dock Park – one on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2018 between 10am and 2pm, the other on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2018 between 12pm and 4pm. The sessions were staffed by Gondwana Consulting (two personnel) and in a Council officer also attended part of the Thursday Kiosk. Each session offered the opportunity for members of the community that had been made aware of the consultation process to attend and provide feedback or ask questions. The on-site presence also provided the opportunistic chance for Park visitors to become informed and to provide their view and ideas or seek further information. On the day the public were able to do one or all of the following:
  - write comments on large notepads (easel-mounted A1 size sheets of "butchers paper", under three headings:
    - *Issues / Problems / Could be better;*
    - *Keep... / More of...../ Add.....;*
    - *Remove... / Less of.... / Not do.....;*
  - take a copy of the Input and Feedback Form, to complete and return at their leisure;
  - take a copy of the Information Sheet;
  - view a copy of the Issues, Opportunities and Discussion Paper; or
  - discuss their ideas or responses with those staffing the sessions in a face-to-face discussion/interview format – from which input/feedback notes were taken.

Participants were also invited to add their name and contact details to a contact list, to be kept informed of the Plan of Management's preparation and further opportunities for involvement/comment.

Approximately 65-70 people passed through the kiosk on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2018, with a total of 53 face-to-face discussions/interviews undertaken. On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August approximately only 25-30 people visited the kiosk with 15 face-to-face discussions/interviews completed.



Across both kiosks, 42 copies of the Information Sheet and 21 copies of the Input and Feedback Form were taken away by attendees.

- Other engagement/input opportunities used by respondents were:
  - completion of a copy of the **Input and Feedback Form** downloaded from the Five Dock Park Plan of Management section of Council's "Have Your Say" webpage.
  - leaving a post on Council's **Facebook** page; or
  - **direct correspondence** to Council, via email or letter.
- Several **key stakeholders** (most nominated by Council) were targeted for direct contact, to advise them of the plan of management's preparation and offer the opportunity for direct input or discussion (and directing them to Council's website for further details). All "targeted" stakeholders were contacted by telephone (initially) and at least two follow-up emails or further telephone contact to offer the opportunity to meet face-to-face or participate in a telephone call to record their feedback/input (a list of all targeted stakeholders approached is provided at Appendix C). Face-to-face meetings were subsequently held with 3 targeted stakeholders, with another providing telephone feedback and another providing their views by e-mail. The feedback from these 5 targeted stakeholders is discussed further in Section 6.



# 3 RESPONSES, AND RESPONDENT PROFILES

## 3.1 Overview

A total of 202 individual “items” of input or feedback were received over the course of all engagement activities. Table 1 summarises the number of replies and their source:

**Table 1 Number and Origin of all “Items” of Input/Feedback**

| Source:   | Details:                        | Quantity:   |
|---|---------------------------------|---|
| Input and Feedback Form   | Letterboxing                    | 10 forms  |
| Input and Feedback Form   | Download from Council website   | 6 forms   |
| Direct correspondence to Council  | Letters and emails              | 7 external letters/emails<br>2 internal Council submissions |
| Facebook  | Comments                        | 14 comments   |
| On-site kiosk<br>(Saturday 18th August)   | Participants’ handwritten notes | 85 comments   |
|   | Interviews/discussion           | 53 people   |
| On-site kiosk<br>(Thursday 23rd August)   | Participants’ handwritten notes | 5 comments  |
|   | Interviews/discussion           | 15 people   |
| Targeted stakeholder contact<br>(direct e-mail, telephone discussions, or meetings) | Discussion/responses            | 5 stakeholder responses                                     |
| <b>Total “Items” of Feedback</b>  |                                 | <b>202</b>  |

However this total figure does not represent 202 individual people or discrete submissions – due to the format of the two kiosks, where a single respondent might record a number of separate handwritten notes (and the possibility of respondents occasionally recording their views by both handwritten note and interview).

As kiosk respondents were not asked to give their names there is also the possibility of dual (or multiple) submissions by the same individual – via the Input and Feedback Form, a Facebook post, or direct correspondence to Council.

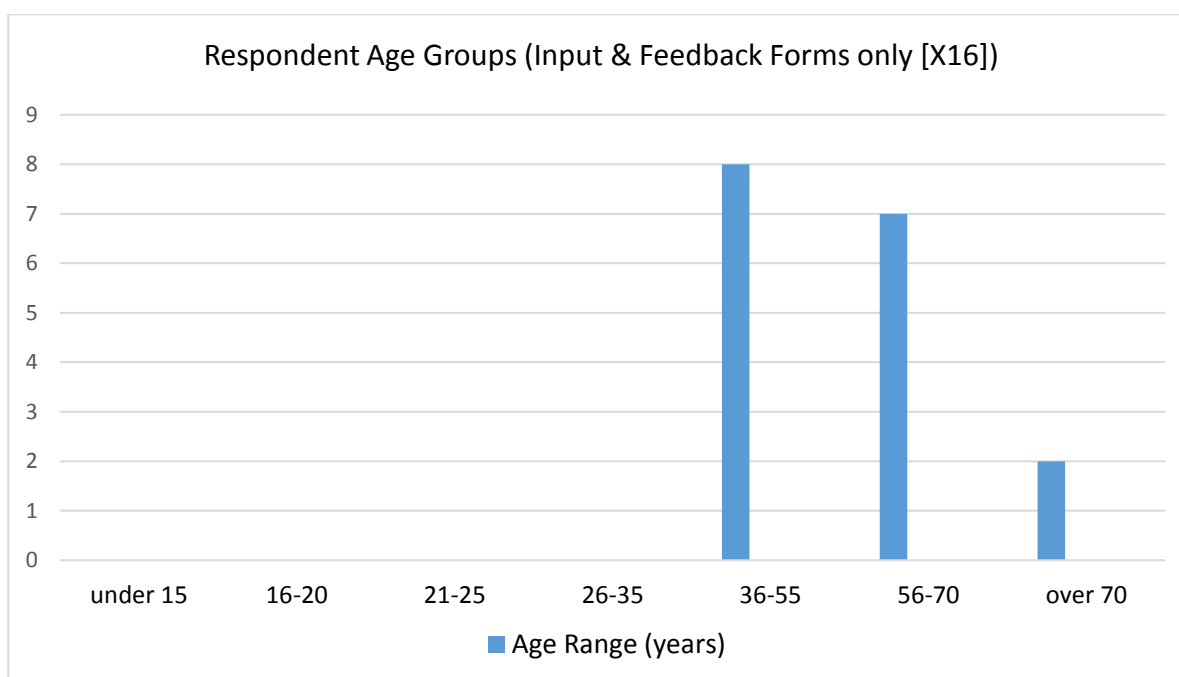
## 3.2 Respondent Profile

Of all the responses received only the completed Feedback Forms, and many of the direct responses to Council or Facebook posts, provide sufficient information/detail from which conclusions can be drawn regarding the age grouping, gender and suburb/location of respondents.

### 3.2.1 Age

Age groupings can only be reliably determined from the 16 completed Input and Feedback Forms.

This shows that all of these respondents (17 individuals) were in the middle-aged or older age ranges – with no Input and Feedback Forms received from people under 35 years of age (see Figure 2)



*Figure 2 Respondent age groups (Input and Feedback Forms only)*

However observations of those people attending the two on-site kiosks showed a much greater percentage of younger people. Approximately half of these participants were recorded as young adults and youth, with younger family groups making up a noticeable proportion of those attending the Saturday kiosk. Middle aged visitors made up approximately one-third, or less, of all visitors to the two kiosks – with an older demographic being more evident over the quieter Thursday session.

Overall the entire engagement process, from all sources, is considered to be a reasonably representative sample of the local and surrounding community in terms of age.

### **3.2.2 Gender**

The gender of respondents can only be reliably determined from the completed Input and Feedback Forms (16), direct correspondence to Council (7, excluding the 2 internal Council submissions) and Facebook posts (14).

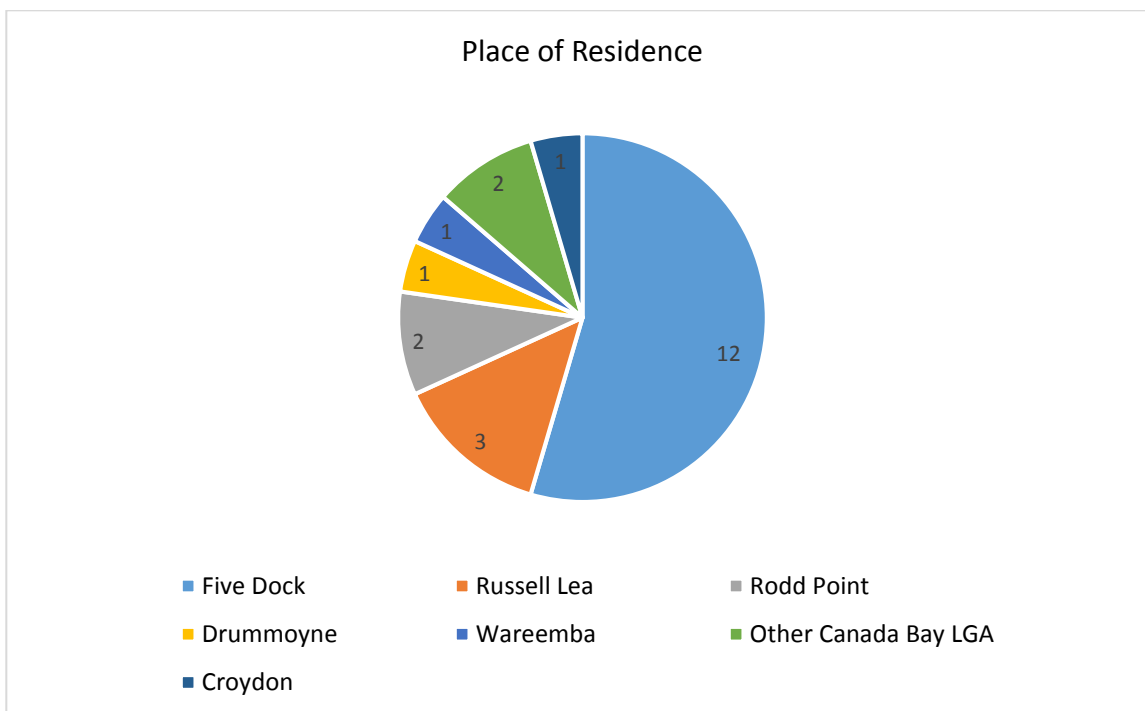
This shows an almost equal number of submissions from males and females. Observations of those people attending the two on-site kiosks showed a similar balance – with only a slight skewing towards more male respondents (54% male to 46% female) evident.

### **3.2.3 Place of Residence**

The place of residence of respondents can only be reliably determined from the completed Input and Feedback Forms (16) and direct correspondence to Council (7, excluding the 2 internal Council submissions).

The vast majority of respondents live in Five Dock and the adjacent suburbs of Russell Lea and Rodd Point, with all others (excluding one) from elsewhere in the City of Canada Bay (see Figure 3).

It can be reasonably expected that all participants in the two on-site kiosks came from the local area.



*Figure 3 Place of residence (Input and Feedback Forms and direct submissions only)*



## 4 KEY THEMES

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The key themes that can be identified from the community engagement process are as follows.

- ▶ Five Dock Park is a highly valued asset within the community. The large green open space provides “lungs for the suburb”, a peaceful and pleasant space for both family, friends and the community. The Park is valued as a safe and attractive place where people can meet to share activities and facilities. As residential areas become more densely built up with smaller or no private open space the Park is being seen as more valuable to and by the local community.
- ▶ It appears the current mix of sports facilities and recreational facilities is popular - with sporting groups and the majority of the community valuing the oval, the skate park being very well patronised particularly among younger visitors, and others valuing the tennis courts, the lawn bowls and others the open green spaces for sitting, “playing with the kids” and picnicking.
- ▶ The use of the Park by dogs and their owners is extremely popular but the current provisions do not satisfy all user. Many people raised issues around the size and condition of the fenced dog park, with a large number of possible improvements suggested. Many dog owners expressed the desire for retaining the current practice of off-leash access/use of the remainder of the Park, while some respondents (dog owners and others) asked for this use of the wider Park to be clarified and better managed.
- ▶ The playground is not able to cater to a wide range of ages and is not necessarily best located for use by families with variously aged children. Some people would like the existing facility upgraded, while there is also considerable support for a new larger playground accommodating a wider range of age groups to be developed elsewhere in the Park.
- ▶ There is support for the skate park as a world renowned facility with considerable desire to upgrade the facility to cater for all ages and skill sets, better cater for the various forms of skate/scooter/bike riding styles, and other improvements including lighting.
- ▶ Many respondents were very unsatisfied with the current toilets (condition, location and opening times) and desire upgraded and/or additional facilities to service all Park users. All-access toilets, and toilets to serve the southern part of the Park, were seen as important.
- ▶ Improvements to pedestrian movement/crossing and traffic calming measures in the surrounding streets is desirable to make accessing the Park from all adjacent areas safer and easier. All-access Park entries are sought.
- ▶ A café was seen by many as a desirable addition to the Park.
- ▶ The Park is popular for walking and running, although some people feel night time use is compromised by lack of adequate lighting and a concern for safety/security. There is support for a shared use perimeter path and the provisions of exercise equipment.
- ▶ There is considerable demand for cricket nets and improved cricket facilities.
- ▶ More plantings, both trees and gardens, are seen as desirable - including preferences for native species and re-establishing the perimeter of trees around the Park’s margins.
- ▶ The existing lawn areas, offering attractive and usable open areas, were seen as an important part of the Park’s appeal and character.

- ▶ The ability and opportunity to hold outdoor events – such as festivals, markets and outdoor cinema – is seen as desirable.
- ▶ Improved lighting and safety/security measures are important to some users.
- ▶ The central War Memorial is a facility that more Park users would like to interact with, the current mesh screens inhibit access, visually and physically.
- ▶ New developments should be undertaken in a harmonious manner to respect and possibly reflect the heritage character of the Park.
- ▶ People want the Park to be adequately funded and maintained.

# 5 ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES

## 5.1 Values

Respondents were asked what they valued about Five Dock Park. Of all the feedback “items”, only 25 responses addressed this question. In terms of the Park’s physical characteristics the following values themes/features were identified (see Figure 4).

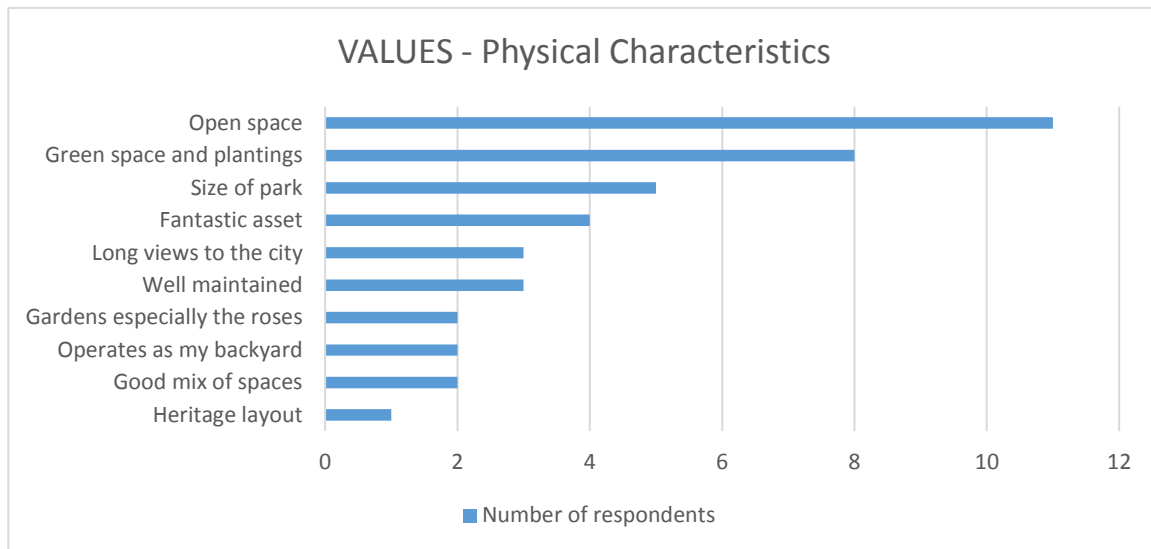


Figure 4 Physical characteristics valued

In more detail, the Park was valued because it (direct quotes from feedback/input):

- *was the lungs of the suburb*
- *provided a city view...an open feeling...was away from crowded housing*
- *green open space in the midst of urban sprawl*
- *a peaceful pleasant park*
- *provided a backyard for those with small or no yards*

Of the 25 responses addressing the Park’s values, in terms of valued activities and facilities, the following assets or features were identified as being highly valued (see Figure 4) – although from a small sample size.

The skate park was the most commonly identified asset of value within the Park, having a world renown reputation, followed by the opportunities available within the Park to meet and share activities with others in the community, in particular with other dog owners either using the fenced dog park or the off leash areas. One respondent indicated “*that seeing all the other recreators is important for mental relaxation and as someone who lives alone*”.

Walking and running through the Park were other identified valued pastimes. One respondent noted that “*older people use the park for walking and relaxation*”. Others noted that the area was well lit making it safe to walk/run through the Park. The tennis courts were also identified as a feature of value. The oval was not identified as an important sports venue, however this is most likely due to the absence of feedback from sport participants.



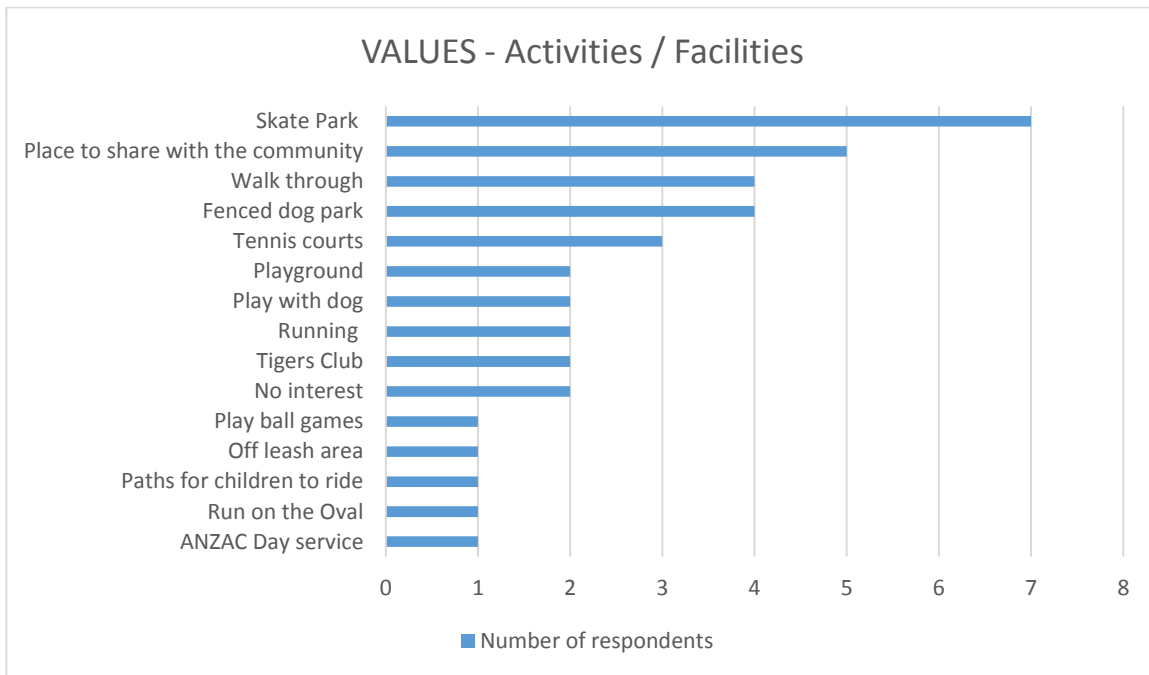


Figure 5 Activities/facilities valued

## 5.2 Uses

Respondents were asked how often they visited the Park, how did they get there, what feature/facility or area did they use, and what did they typically do?

Of all the feedback “items”, only 21 responded to this question - indicating the following in terms of frequency of visits (see Figure 6).

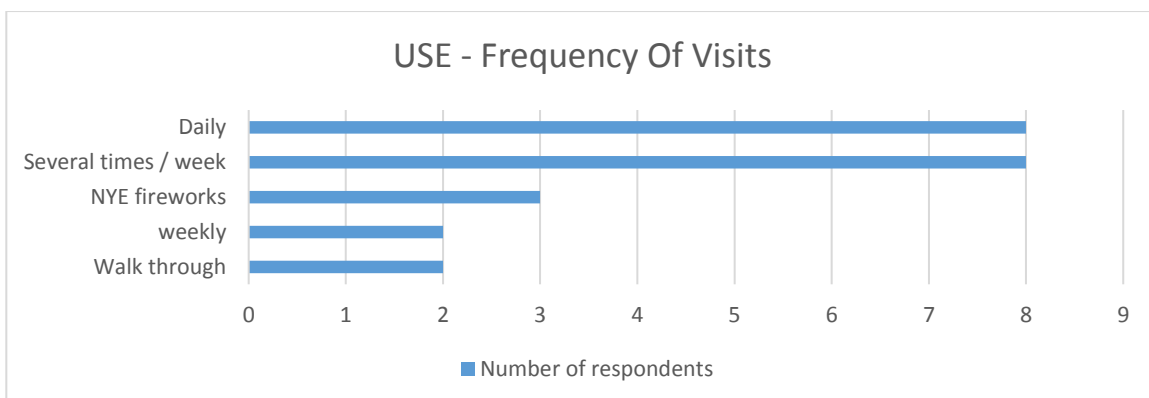


Figure 6 Frequency of visits

From this limited data set it appears there are regulars (32%) who use the Park daily (some more than daily) and a similar percentage who visit several times per week (32%). Of the respondents to this question 12% indicated they visited the Park to view the New Year’s Eve fireworks held in the Sydney CBD.

Of all the feedback “items”, only 17 respondents provided information as to the activities or sites/facilities they came to the Park to enjoy or use – as follows (see Figure 7).

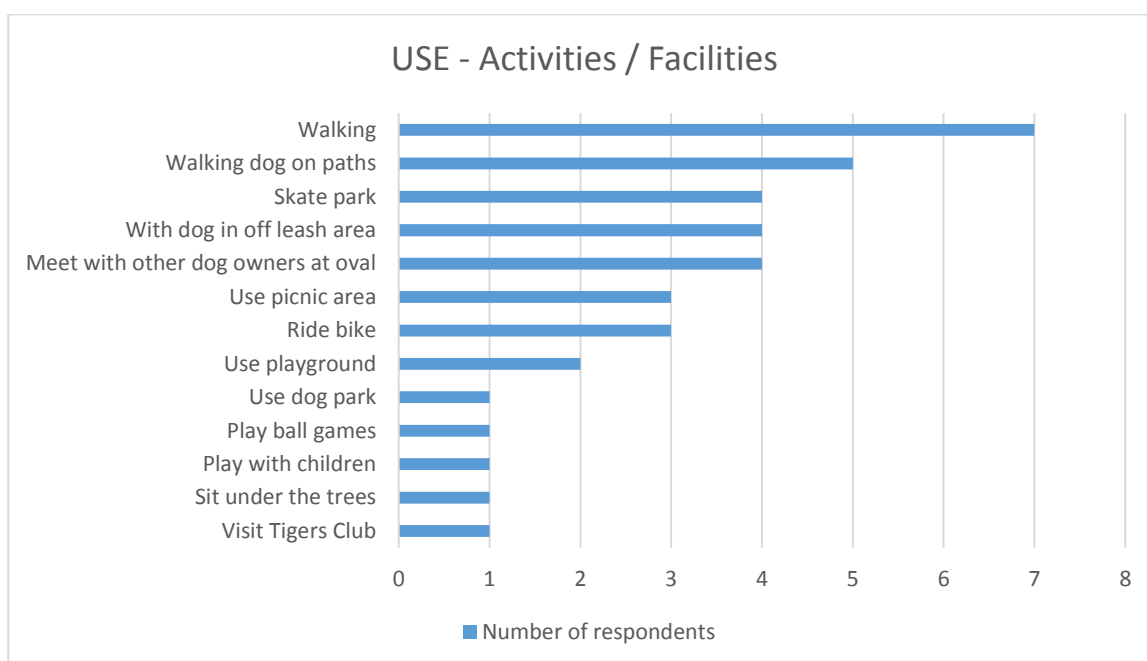


Figure 7 Frequency of activities or sites/facilities used

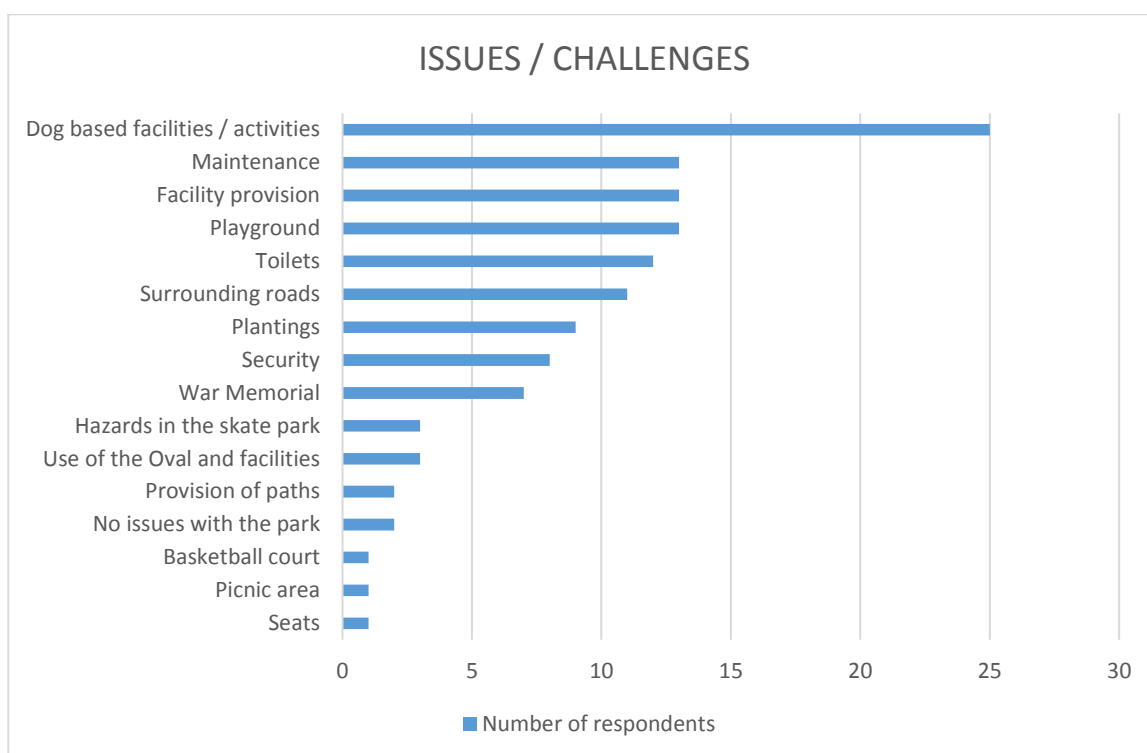
Activities with dogs appears to be the most popular reason for visits to the Park with 82% of respondents noting involvement in some sort of dog based activity, followed by walking (70%), whether it be with or without a dog, transiting through the Park or enjoying the open space. One respondent noted that they “love the rose gardens and meeting people”. Visiting the skate park (23%) followed, to a lesser degree, by the picnic area (17%) were also popular. Other activities mentioned included riding a bike, using the playground, playing ball games, playing with children, sitting under the trees and visiting the Tigers Club. Again sporting response are under-represented.

Some respondents included activities they enjoyed in the Park when they were young including skating, picnicking, running, riding bikes and using the now gone playground of slide, sea saw and swings that were sited nearby to the existing playground.

## 5.3 Issues and Challenges

Respondents were asked what they considered the main challenges and issues that could be addressed by the future management of the Park. Of all the feedback “items”, 75 comments addressed this question and can be grouped as shown (see Figure 8).

Of this larger sample size, over 33% of response raised a number of issues in relation to dog-focused facilities and activities. Many were dissatisfied with the standard of the fenced dog area, citing the lack of adequate grass cover causing a “dust bowl in dry weather and a mud patch when wet”. The small size of the fenced area and the provision of only one fenced area was noted as forcing small dogs to mix with larger or aggressive dogs. Respondents variously recommended enlarging the area, or providing two areas (preferably separated from each other) or complete removal of the fence to allow off-leash dogs to access the entire Park (which many respondents thought might be the current situation in any case, but were uncertain as to the “official” status, and others cited as being the situation in the past). Some referred to the approach of limiting off-leash times across the entire Park. The lack of lighting was also mentioned as a further limit on the use of the fenced dog park, particularly in winter. Lack of facilities such as water outlets, seating and dog waste bag dispensers and bins were also noted.



**Figure 8** Identified issues and challenges

Maintenance in general in relation to Park facilities such as the skate park, standard of footpath pavements, vandalism and graffiti was noted (17% of comments).

Facilities provision (17% of comments) was raised in terms of keeping a balance between passive and active activities and the heritage character/values of the Park. Numerous (8%) comments on this question indicated the Park needed additional facilities to attract people – and variously cited a “modern” playground”, café, cricket nets and “a shaded area to read a book” or have a picnic as popular recommendations. An upgraded grandstand, covered area for personal training and events such as parties, repurposing of the Baby Health Clinic for greater community use, and a nature/botanical walk were also nominated. Some responses encouraged the Tigers Five Dock Club to be a more open community asset. It was also noted that the Bocce courts are underused, that the “tennis courts should be free” and the Park needs more activities for high school children.

Over 9% of comments indicated that the existing toddlers playground should be upgraded, while 8% recommended a new or additional facility for older children.

The issue of toilets was raised in 16% of comments. The existing toilets were considered to be well below par and more facilities should be located in the Park, notably in the southern part, along with an upgrade of the existing toilets.

Issues around Park access and the surrounding roads were noted by more than 14% of responses, mainly noting safety concerns with crossing each of the roads as a pedestrian or a cyclist when accessing the Park. Boat trailer parking, excessive traffic speeds and volumes, and lack of pedestrian crossings were cited as impacting on road safety. Safety issues with crossing Barnstaple Road and Ingham Avenue were specifically mentioned, particularly at the roundabouts.

Over 12% of comments raised the Park’s plantings as an issue. Comments addressed the age of the existing trees, the loss of the perimeter Palm trees and the lack of replacement trees, the lack of shade, that the Park perimeter was exposed to the surrounding streets, and the lack of native plantings for habitat. Some thought the Park was in a “time warp” as evidenced by the rose

gardens and the lack of biodiversity. It was suggested that there were too few connecting trees and ground level foliage to provide habitat and sanctuary for native fauna.

Security was raised as an issue, with 10% of comments addressing this aspect, of which 5% indicated that more lighting was required to ensure safe night use. Police rounds were requested by two respondents to this question.

The current state of the War Memorial was addressed by 9% of responses. It was lamented that the facility was not open enough to pay respects, the mesh screens inhibited view of and access to the internal area, and there should be more services held in the Park. Lack of honour rolls were mentioned by one respondent and repairs were required to the small memorial.

Hazards in and around the skate park were raised by 4% of responses and included need for lighting, a dangerously located pole, and that beginners can cause accidents (suggesting a separate area and/or skate park use or behaviour codes).

Issues regarding the oval included balls kicked through the goal posts at the northern end tend to get caught in the adjacent trees (suggesting a net is required), the grandstand and oval do not appear to receive sufficient use to warrant their upgrading, and the lack of cricket nets presenting a constraint to recruiting and coaching young players (noted by 4% of responses).

Regarding the provision of paths, one respondent noted the lack of an all-access Park perimeter path, no accessible path from the *“bowling club car park”* to other parts of the Park, no all-accessible access at the stepped Park entries (in the north-west and south-west corners) and no accessible paths into the picnic area.

Two respondents indicated that they had no issues with the Park, another indicated it was hard to get time on the basketball court, another indicated the picnic area should be improved and another noted that more seating was required for the elderly.

One respondent indicated the Park *“needs harmonious design not discord between heritage values and new development”*. Reputation of the Park was addressed, *“let the park not be mostly known as a dog park”*, and the Park should be *“the best in Five Dock”*.

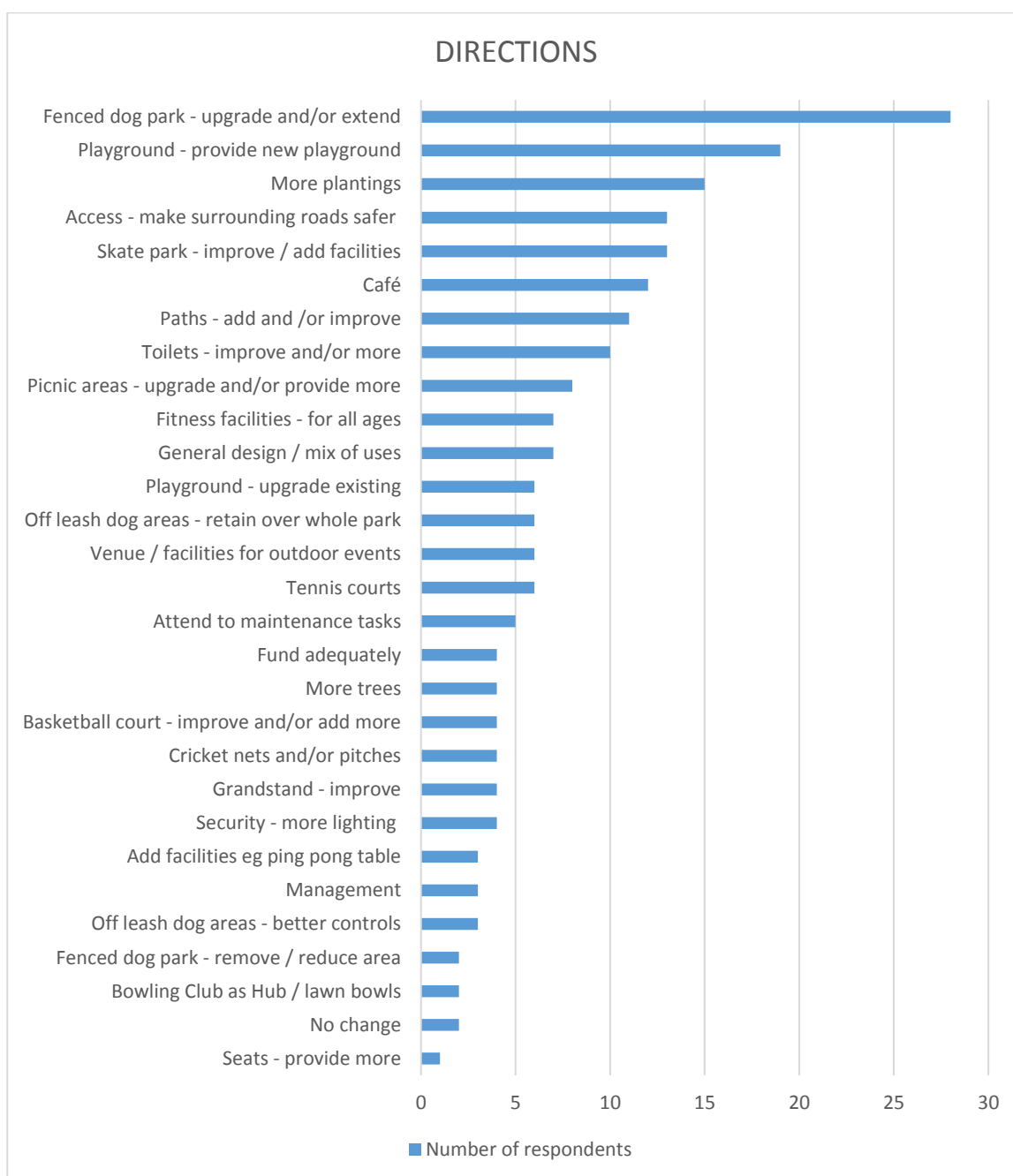
## 5.4 Future Directions

Respondents were asked the following questions.

- How would you suggest the issues/challenges be addressed in the Park’s future planning and management? A total of 79 responses addressed this question.
- What other changes would you like to see? A total of 36 responses addressed this question.
- Are there any other comments, ideas or suggestions you would like to make? A total of 6 comments addressed this question.

These responses have been combined, giving a total of 121 comments, to provide detail regarding the solutions, changes and directions respondents have identified for the Park’s future. They are grouped as shown (see Figure 9).

The most commonly cited element for change or resolution is the fenced dog park, with 23% of comments addressing the matter. Solutions included maintenance to the grassed surface, provision of a better surface, provision of additional facilities (such as seats, waste bag dispensers and bins, and water outlets) and improved lighting. One respondent did make a specific comment that an obstacle course for dogs was not recommended. Five respondents indicated the area should be extended and/or a second area should be created.



**Figure 9 Solutions, changes and directions**

Rather than upgrading the existing dog park, a number of respondents instead preferred to have the whole Park as an approved off-leash dog area (nearly 5%). Although others requested that the available off-leash times be limited and that Council Rangers maintain control/enforcement (nearly 3%). A further 1.6%, however, asked that the dog park be reduced in area or removed.

The second most addressed aspect was the provision of a new playground (over 15%) with most requesting a larger area with a range of facilities to service all ages. Two nominated a playground near the skate park, two others selected near the picnic area. Fewer responses preferred the option to upgrade the existing facility (nearly 5%).

Over 12% of responses addressed plantings in the Park with some requesting more trees, more boundary plantings and several requesting other garden types (notably native plantings 3%, community gardens 3% and a maze – one respondent). One respondent further suggested that



*“the park becomes the centre of a green web with a program of plantings through adjacent streets as well as the Park. Another respondent suggested less lawn and another supported the creation of a cool zone.*

The fourth most commented on matter was making the surrounding streets safer to improve access to the Park (over 10%). Most indicated that traffic calming measures including speed humps and reduced traffic speeds as well as improved and additional pedestrian crossings were required. In addition improved all-access entries into the Park were seen as desirable along with accessible parking in the streets.

Improvements to the skate park was equally mentioned with suggestions to add lighting (some suggesting on a timer), features to cater for beginner skaters and scooter riders, provision for cycling, a “street” section, perimeter seats, extra bubblers, a code of conduct or “rules of the bowl” noticeboard and the extension of the skate park over surrounding worn areas. A number of parents mentioned the need for adjacent facilities (citing fitness equipment or a ping pong table) which would be beneficial for their use when accompanying their children at the skate park.

Nearly 10% of responses requested a café or some form of outlet to provide food and drinks. One respondent noted it was difficult to go to Five Dock shops for food and drinks when in the Park with children, dog and bikes. One other respondent, however, particularly requested that there be “no more cafes” in the area.

Paths were addressed by 9% of the responses with 4% recommending a Park perimeter (shared) path, 3% suggesting improvements to existing paths to make them suitable as shared and/or all-access routes, and one suggested a bike path and one a nature walk.

Improvements to the toilet facilities was addressed by 8% of the responses. Some included suggestions for a parents’ room, accessible toilet and multiple toilets in more locations.

Over 6% of responses requested that the picnic areas be upgraded (including additional barbecues and extra provision of shade) and/or additional areas be provided, with three respondents nominating an area near the skate park.

The provision of fitness facilities in a central area or as a circuit was raised by nearly 6% of responses, with requests from three respondents for items suitable for older people. One respondent desired more seating.

A number of responses addressed the matter of general design (nearly 6%) with comments including *“continue to be a space for families to meet”*, provide a *“sound overall mix of activities and open spaces”*, ensure *“an integrated design to reflect the early beginnings (1885)”*, *“do not overdevelop”* or *“add more paving”*, *“keep it green and simple”*, and *“provide safe areas through high quality design”*. A further 4% requested that Council attends to maintenance tasks including regular Park inspections, provision of anti-litter signs, maintenance to plantings and repairs to footpaths. One respondent cited the poor pruning of the pines near the War Memorial.

The tennis courts were mentioned, with four respondents asking they be kept with another two asking that they be freely available. There appeared to be some confusion over the management of the courts, whether Council run or a private business.

Nearly 5% of responses addressed the suggestion to provide a venue or facilities for outdoor events such as markets, festivals and an outdoor cinema within the Park.

Four responses raised the matter of adequate funding with one suggesting that funds be made available to prepare a Master Plan for the Park.

The basketball courts were raised by four respondents suggesting variously to refurbish the existing court and enlarge it to a full court, add more courts and provide more safe areas for ball games. At least one respondent suggested there should be more active recreation facilities provided for the youth.

In connection with the oval and grandstand, it was suggested by one response that a net was required at the northern goal to protect the adjacent trees from wayward balls. Three respondents cited the need for cricket nets, and one that cricket practices pitches would be useful to encourage junior players.

Over 3% suggested additional lighting to pathways to improve security.

A few responses (2.5%) addressed the need for additional facilities, one suggesting a ping pong table, another a mini golf course and a third a FUTSAL area.

Management matters touched on included no more leases to be issued (one respondent), a return and earn machine could be installed (one respondent) and Council Rangers should be commended for their efforts to educate Park users.

Two respondents addressed the future of the Tigers Five Dock Club, one indicating it has potential as a “community hub”, the other suggesting lawn bowls enjoys a high participation rate with only three locations in the Canada Bay area.

Two respondents indicated that they desired no changes to the Park.

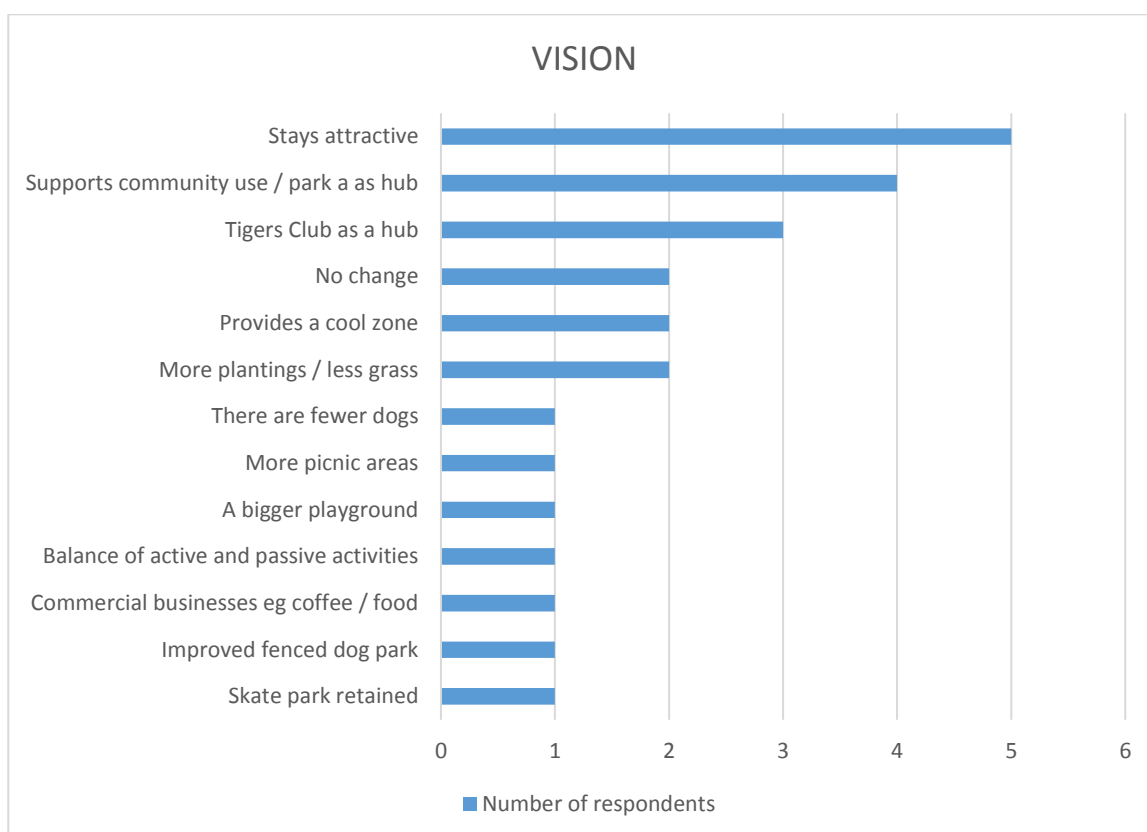
A number of respondents throughout the consultation process mentioned the following as good examples of other parks they like to visit and as possible models (in whole or part) for the future development and use of Five Dock Park:

- Strathfield Park – for mixed play areas, high quality sports facilities, nature walks, picnic areas attracting all ages;
- Callan Park – community gardens;
- King George Park, Rozelle and The Bay Run - fitness facilities/circuit;
- Waverly Oval – grandstand;
- Granville – cricket “cages”;
- Drummoyne Oval – toilet facilities;
- Fairfield Park – water play and flying fox;
- Five Dock Public School – playground;
- Blaxland Riverside, Homebush; and,
- Livvi’s Playground – large play area.

## 5.5 Vision

Respondents were asked to briefly describe how they would like to see Five Dock Park in 5 to 10 years’ time. Of all the feedback “items”, only 20 responses addressed this question and they can be grouped as shown (see Figure 10).

Five respondents hoped that the Park would “*stay attractive and safe for family and friends to meet, use and enjoy*”, that there be the same amount of green space and the Park “*is an oasis for all*”. As cited by one person, the Park should continue to be an “*important green space as new houses are larger leaving little private open space*”.



*Figure 10 Vision for the Park*

Four respondents hoped there would be activities and events to encourage use and support the community – such as a community garden, a community cafe, cultural events, community markets and facilities for events such as an outdoor cinema. Another wants to see more people use the Park, another that the Park is a community hub for people to meet for activities such as mothers groups, kids parties, and morning teas for the elderly. Another envisages that Council fund and promote personal training groups for community participation (via donation). Another emphasises a future with a wide variety of play and healthy activities.

Two respondents sought no change other than better maintenance, replacement of the perimeter “heritage” palm trees and improved pedestrian crossings on the surrounding roads. A further two envisaged a “cool zone”, while another two desired more plantings and less lawn.

One hoped there would be fewer dogs, another saw for more picnic areas, a third a bigger playground, and a fourth asked for a good balance of active and passive activities. Another response envisaged a food and coffee outlet, one improvements to the fenced dog park, and one hoping the skate park will be retained. Better linking the Park to the Bay Run was important to one respondent.

One respondent hoped that the Tigers Five Dock Club would be a community hub, another that a supper or jazz club could be incorporated, and a third that a second storey be added to the building to improve its capacity.

A number of suggestions beyond the Park boundary or surrounds were also mentioned, but not relevant to the Park and its management.

## **5.6 Analysis Alongside Issues, Opportunities and Discussion Paper**

The Issues, Opportunities and Discussion Paper centred on presenting a range of possible directions, ideas, suggestions, alternatives or possibilities for the Park's future planning and management. Very few respondents specifically addressed the content of the Paper. However it is informative to link/group the feedback "items" received against the directions or alternatives presented in the Paper – to identify those that resonated with respondents or indicate an opinion either for or against a possible management direction.

This analysis – of all responses or feedback "items" (including feedback received from the targeted stakeholders, see Section 6) relative to the Issues, Opportunities and Discussion Paper's suggestions, directions or alternatives – is provided in Appendix D.

## 6 TARGETED STAKEHOLDERS

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A total of 15 known stakeholders (most nominated by Council) were targeted by an initial telephone contact and at least two follow-up emails or further telephone contact offering them the opportunity to provide direct input into the engagement process (a list of all targeted stakeholders approached is provided at Appendix C).

Only 5 “targeted stakeholders” took up this opportunity to be involved – 3 via in-person meetings, 1 providing telephone feedback, and 1 providing their views by e-mail. The feedback from these 5 targeted stakeholders is summarised below.

### 6.1 Community Health Services

A meeting (off-site at Camperdown) was held with three representatives of Community Health Services, Sydney Local Health District, on 5 September 2018.

The Baby Health Centre (in the Park’s south-west corner) is operated by Community Health Services as a base for post-natal nurses undertaking home visits in the surrounding suburbs as well as by appointment in-centre services for mothers and babies. There are now two staff on-site. Birth rates in the area are increasing and the demands on the Centre are similarly growing. The Centre operates some mothers’ groups, on site, that are also very popular (and wait listed).

The Centre is estimated to provide nearly 2,700 “individual” services and over 850 “group” services – according to the most recent annual data from Community Health Services.

Community Health Services has plans to expand the Centre’s function and services – to possibly include paediatric allied health services, ante-natal services and social workers (including domestic violence workers). Providing evening/night services is also a future possibility.

The building is owned and maintained by The City of Canada Bay, while Sydney Local Health District provides the staff. Community Health Services has been talking with Council regarding internal refurbishments to the Centre, and rebadging/updating the external signage – but are not requesting changes to the building’s façade/exterior (and does not see any need for these).

The state health department occupies the Centre (and other Baby Health Centres) on the basis of a long-standing ministerial agreement – dating from the 1930s (?) – which is referred to in correspondence (past and present) but has never been able to be located (according to the respondents). The respondents were not aware if Sydney Local Health District had a formal lease agreement with The City of Canada Bay – but doubted it.

Given the current levels of use, the increasing local demand, and plans for additional/wider services the strong preference of Community Health Services is to remain in the Centre and continue/expand their operations.

In terms of the Centre’s operation and future plans for the Park, Community Health Services considers:

- parking around the Centre is not a major issue (many clients walk to the Centre);
- security and privacy, for staff and clients (mainly during consultations or group sessions), can be an issue – especially in the north-eastern corner room where the windows and blinds have to be closed due to the playground just outside;
- despite causing privacy issues, the existing small local-scale “toddler” playground adjacent to the Centre is convenient for mothers and toddlers, who use it before/after appointments;



- a larger/district-scale playground is supported, but favouring a site easily accessible from the Centre for use by patrons, and a preference for the infants/younger section of any larger playground to be closest to the Centre (in terms of the playground's layout);
- mothers/children using the existing small local-scale "toddler" playground regularly ask to use the Centre's toilet (not refused), a public toilet in the Park's south is needed; and
- a café/coffee outlet close to the Centre and any new playground would be favoured, to attract mothers to a more healthy "outside" park/playground setting (rather than going to an "indoor" coffee shop).

## 6.2 Tigers Five Dock Club

Two meetings were held with representatives of the Tigers Five Dock Club – one during the on-site kiosk on 23 August 2018 (two representatives) and another at the Club on 21 September 2108 (again two representatives, with a written submission also provided).

The Tigers Five Dock Club's view is that the site/premises should continue to be leased from Council to the Club "for the benefit of the members and the community providing activities including bowling and other sporting, social and recreational activities".

The Club considers that the Plan of Management should "provide provisions to allow for the expansion [of] the Club's facilities". These expanded or additional facilities were discussed as including:

- converting one or both greens to a synthetic surface;
- expansion of the Club to the east, via a split or second level working with the site's natural slope – for a fully enclosed structure or partially open facilities (e.g. an expanded dining room, a dining terrace or beer garden);
- replacement or upgrading of outbuildings;
- additional on-site carparking along the shared access road;
- improved lighting to both greens;
- holding "events" (markets, movie nights, entertainment, community events) on the Club site (including possible multi-purpose use of the greens) and including adjacent areas of the Park; and
- improved (higher) fencing around greens, especially the lower/eastern (non-competition) green (to support greater multi-purpose use).

The Plan of Management, and future leases, should allow for a wider range of uses and activities, including – sporting, recreation and entertainment activities (indoor and outdoor, including evening and special event uses).

The Club is at maximum capacity at peak use times (such as Friday evenings) and it is considered necessary to expand the Club "to better more fully meet the community's needs". The Club representatives acknowledged that any extension/expansion to the Club building/facilities should not result in any loss of views (for adjoining residents), and emphasised their ability to work "with the fall of the site" and develop sympathetic (possibly split level) extensions. It was not considered necessary, or desirable, for the Club to "go up" with another storey above the existing – with the representatives considering this would be out of keeping with its "neighbourhood scale and character". The Club representatives were generally comfortable with taking a "building envelope" and "building footprint" approach to defining parameters around any expansion of the Club.

Tigers Five Dock Club incorporated the former Five Dock Bowling Club, and is obliged by the current lease conditions to continue to meet the needs of the Five Dock Bowling Club.

The upkeep of grass bowling greens is very expensive. The upper/western green is maintained in better condition as the "competition" green, while the eastern/lower green is the social/non-

competitive green. The Club is interested in offering/supporting “kids’ sport and activities” in future – to help attract and cater for families – such as use of the lower/eastern (non-competition) green for informal games and activities, and possibly FUTSAL (although it was acknowledged that this had extra design requirements, including significant fencing).

The Club is interested in providing “summer entertainment” in future – possibly associated with greater use of the eastern/lower (non-competition) green and any new dining terrace or beer garden located nearby.

The Club maintains the garden frontage along Barnstaple Road, via a paid gardener, but not the grass strip between the edge of the lease area and Barnstaple Road 90° carparking (Council land). The Club is “not keen” on adding this strip to the lease area.

The shared access road – to both the Club and Five Dock Park Tennis Centre – is outside (west of) the Club’s lease area. The Club is also “not keen” on adding this road to their lease area. The 90° carparking spaces along the eastern side of this access are within the Club’s lease, these parking spaces were signposted as being for various Club officials only, but this has been removed. Car parking and congestion can be an issue along the access road and carparks when the Tennis Centre is busy. The Club would support the provision of additional parking spaces along the western edge of this access road (within the Park).

The Club representatives considered the Park to be the “heart and lungs” of the local community “with it meeting the needs of all existing and emerging user groups” and saw the future of the Club as “providing recreational and social activities for park users and local residents”.

In relation to management of the Park more widely, the Club representatives advised:

- support for improved parking capacity along all perimeter roads, especially along Barnstaple Road;
- improved or additional paths were required, especially between the Club and other sections of the Park (to allow more direct and safer access to the Club);
- a new path from Ingham Avenue (opposite the end of Noble Street) directly to the Club would be desirable (cutting across grassed “Open Space 2”);
- accessible pathways were needed, providing improved access from all streets and through the Park;
- improved lighting was required/supported;
- support for holding “events” (markets, festivals, etc.) including events that took place on both the Club lease and adjacent areas of the Park; and
- support for “low-level” screen plantings along the Club’s eastern façade (in the Park).

## **6.3 Five Dock Park Tennis Centre**

Telephone discussion were held with the operator/lessees of the Five Dock Park Tennis Centre on 3 August 2018 and 6 September 2018.

The main points raised were:

- the wish to continue the lease and operation of the tennis centre;
- serious concerns regarding cricket balls being hit into the Tennis Centre and the real risk that a tennis child will be hit/injured by a cricket ball (this issue was advised as particularly bad during summer Saturdays when children’s cricket took place close to the tennis courts);
- problem with children’s cricket teams regularly practicing against the Tennis Centre’s fence; and
- a significant need for cricket nets in the Park.

## **6.4 Inner West Harbour Cricket Association Inc.**

A brief e-mail submission was received from the Inner West Harbour Cricket Association on 6 September 2018.

The only points raised were:

- the Park is one of few grounds in Canada Bay that can accommodate older (cricket) age groups, and so retaining it for cricket use in summers is critical; and
- there is a serious shortage of cricket nets in the Canada Bay area (to meet the training needs of more than 60 local teams) and cricket nets could very usefully be provided at Five Dock Park, possibly sited “behind the tennis courts”.

## **6.5 Fluro Fitness**

Fluro Fitness is a personal trainer registered (by Council) to use Five Dock Park. Discussions were held with a representative of Fluro Fitness during the on-site kiosk of 23 August 2018.

The main points raised were:

- Fluro Fitness uses the Park for morning and evening training sessions, but has to “hunt around” for incidental lighting to use in differing parts of Park – improved lighting for morning and evening uses is required;
- new/improved toilets are a “desperate need”; and
- overall it is a “great Park with lots of space”, Council should maintain the openness and spacious character of the area.

## 7 FUTURE ENGAGEMENT

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The Five Dock Park Plan of Management Information Sheet, and other material distributed or made available about planning for the Park, described the Plan of Management preparation process and opportunities for further involvement – notably during public exhibition of the Draft Plan of Management.

The Input and Feedback Form provided a space for respondents to provide their name and contact details if they “would like to be kept informed of additional opportunities to provide input or comments during preparation of new Five Dock Park Plan of Management, or the availability of material for public review (such as public exhibition of the Draft Plan)”. A similar “Contact List” was available at both on-site kiosks enabling attendees to also provide their details if they wished.

A total of 21 people have registered their details for future involvement in preparation of the Five Dock Park Plan of Management.

## APPENDIX A

### Input and Feedback Form



# Five Dock Park

## Its Future - Your Views

### Five Dock Park Plan of Management

The City of Canada Bay is preparing a new Plan of Management for Five Dock Park and would like your opinions, ideas and input.

Five Dock Park is located a short distance east of the Five Dock shopping centre. Bounded by Barnstaple Road, Ingham Avenue, First Avenue and Park Road the Park covers approximately 8 hectares.

This historic park was reserved for public recreation in December 1885. Today Five Dock Park offers a well-maintained and attractive open space with extensive mown grass, shaded tree-lined paths and attractive groups of trees, appealing gardens beds, and a range of facilities. It has:

- a flood-lit oval and small grandstand (plus toilets) hosting both winter and summer sports;
- extensive leisure spaces - including open lawns, garden beds, tree groves, seating, and covered picnic tables with nearby electric barbeques;
- a skate bowl/park and fenced off-leash dog area, both attracting users from a wide area;
- a central war memorial; and
- a small covered neighbourhood-level playground.



The Tigers Five Dock Bowling Club and Five Dock Park Tennis Centre operate in the Park's north, on areas leased from Council, and a Baby Health Centre is located in the area's south-west corner.

The Park is a local heritage feature with the area's distinctive radial path pattern, central war memorial, and formal design first laid out in the 1920s.

Five Dock Park is a valuable and well-used green open space within the local area. It is a popular venue for sports, leisure and recreation activities, school use and social gatherings as well as periodically hosting both informal and organised community events.

The City of Canada Bay is preparing a new Plan of Management for the Park (and has engaged consultants Gondwana Consulting to assist in this task). This Plan will set out how Five Dock Park is to be used, developed and managed over the coming years.

It is important that both users of the Park and the wider community have a role in preparing the Plan of Management. Your input early in the planning process will help identify what you value about the Park, how you use or enjoy it, perceived management issues or challenges to address, and your desires for the Park's future character, use and management.

**This brief (7 questions) reply-paid survey is one of the first steps in formulating the new Plan of Management.** Your responses, inputs and ideas would be appreciated and will contribute to the new Plan's preparation. There will be several opportunities for community involvement during the Plan's preparation. **Please complete and return your survey by Friday 7 September 2018, or sooner.**

For further information about this survey or to offer your ideas and input to the Plan's preparation please contact Alan Ginns, at Gondwana Consulting on e-mail [admin@gondwanaconsulting.com.au](mailto:admin@gondwanaconsulting.com.au), or mobile 0429 913 300. For information about the Park, and the Plan of Management project overall, please contact Robert Marshall, Parks Planner, at Council on e-mail [Robert.Marshall@canadabay.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Robert.Marshall@canadabay.nsw.gov.au) or 9911 6329.

## Your Views:

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|----------------------------------|--|---|
| Your gender ? (please circle)    | <i>Male</i>                                    | <i>Female</i>                               |
| Your age group ? (please circle) | <i>15 and under *</i>                          | <i>16 to 20      21 to 25      26 to 35</i> |
| Your suburb ?                    | <i>36 to 55      56 to 70      71 and over</i> |   |

1. What do you value most about Five Dock Park, or why is the Park important to you ?

2. How often do you visit Five Dock Park ? How do you usually get to the Park (walk, bicycle, car, public transport, etc.) ? What facility(s) or area(s) do you visit most often ? And what do you typically do there ?

3. What do you consider to be the main issues or challenges that should be addressed in the future management of Five Dock Park ? (Please list in your order of importance/concern.)

(1)

(2)

(3)

Others:

4. How would you suggest these issues or problems are addressed in the Park's future planning and management ?

(1)

(2)

(3)

Others:

5. What other changes would you like to see in the development, facilities, management or use of Five Dock Park ?

6. Briefly describe how you would like to see Five Dock Park in 5 to 10 years time ?

7. Any other comments, ideas or suggestions you would like to make would be welcome.  
(feel free to attach additional pages)

**Contact details for future involvement/notification:**

If you would like to be kept informed of further opportunities to provide input or comments during preparation of new Five Dock Park Plan of Management, or the availability of material for public review (such as public exhibition of the Draft Plan) please provide your name and preferred contact details below.

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| Name:        | Preferred contact details (e-mail, telephone or postal address): |
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**(Privacy Statement:** All information collected is to assist in the development of the Five Dock Park Plan of Management and related documents. A summary of submissions may be published as part of the Plan however individual respondents will not be identified (please note that these may be made available through Freedom of Information processes if requested).

(\* If you are under 16 years old please ensure you have a parent's or guardian's permission or supervision when completing this survey/input form [in accordance with Australian Market and Social Research Guidelines].)

*Thank you for your time and responses*

**TO RETURN THIS SURVEY**

Fold it into thirds (at edge marks shown), with the mailing label below showing on the outside (& your contact details folded inside), & seal the end & edges with tape. Then drop it into any Australia Post mailbox, **YOU DO NOT NEED A STAMP.**  
***Please complete and return your survey by Friday 7 September 2018, or sooner.***

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## APPENDIX B

### Covering Letter from Mayor Angelo Tsirekas (accompanying random letterbox distribution of Input and Feedback Form)



14 August 2018

To Residents & Business Owners,

**Five Dock Park Plan of Management**

The City of Canada Bay has started preparing a new Plan of Management for Five Dock Park. The Plan will set out a clear direction for the future of Five Dock Park and how this area is to be used, developed and managed over the coming years.

Council invites the community to share how they use the park, what they value, and ideas for future direction to help shape the new Plan.

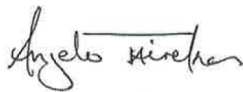
**You can share your feedback in three ways:**

1. Complete the enclosed survey/input form, which becomes a reply paid envelope when folded, by Friday 7 September 2018. Additional copies are available on Council's website at [www.canadabay.nsw.gov.au](http://www.canadabay.nsw.gov.au)
2. Drop into one of the information sessions at Five Dock Park to provide feedback on the following dates:
  - Saturday, 18 August 10am - 2pm
  - Thursday, 23 August 12pm - 4pm
3. Provide feedback on the *Five Dock Park Plan of Management Issues, Opportunities and Discussion Paper* available on Council's website: [www.canadabay.nsw.gov.au](http://www.canadabay.nsw.gov.au)

You may also provide your feedback to [council@canadabay.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@canadabay.nsw.gov.au) or by contacting our Parks Planner, Robert Marshall on 9911 6329.

We would like to engage as many residents as possible and would be happy for you to inform your neighbours and friends who may be interested in helping to shape the future of Five Dock Park.

Yours sincerely,



**Mayor Angelo Tsirekas**  
City of Canada Bay

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## APPENDIX C

### Targeted Stakeholders

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### Lessees

- Community Health Services, Sydney Local Health District
- Tigers Five Dock Club
- Five Dock Park Tennis Centre

### User Groups

- Inner West Harbour Cricket Association
- Drummoyne Power Junior AFL
- Five Dock RSL Junior Rugby League
- Parkview Nursing Home
- Five Dock RSL
- Fluro Fitness
- Anytime Fitness Five Dock (Team Di)
- Australian Skateboarding
- BMXPO

### Nearby Schools (Park Users)

- Domremy College
- Five Dock Public School
- Russell Lea Public School

## APPENDIX D

### Feedback “Items” Relative to Directions/Alternatives in the Issues, Opportunities and Discussion Paper

| <b>Ideas, Suggestions or Alternatives</b><br>from Issues, Opportunities and Discussion Paper<br>and <i>Extra Suggestions/Directions from Respondents</i>   |         | <b>Community Feedback</b><br>Key: <b>X</b> = submission identifier (xxx) = <i>comments/detail</i>  |                         |
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| <b>Accessing the Park (Section 3)</b>  |         |  |                         |
| <b>Roads and Carparking</b>  |         |  |                         |
| Continue to implement traffic slowing/calming measures along Ingham Avenue adjacent to the Park.   | page 14 | <b>10</b> ( <i>and on Barnstaple Rd</i> )<br><b>36</b> ( <i>poor sight lines and safety issues due to parked boat trailers</i> )   |                         |
| <i>Traffic calming devices and pedestrian crossings on <u>all</u> roads surrounding the Park</i>   |         | <b>1, 3, 11, 14, 15 &amp; 30</b><br><b>39</b> ( <i>access safety improvements should be a major focus</i> )  |                         |
| Allow for angled or 90° parking along parts of the roads flanking the Park, to increase perimeter parking capacity, if required in the future.   | page 15 | <b>TS2</b>   |                         |
| Signpost/mark on-street disabled parking bays near those path entry points providing direct access to the Park's key attractions or activity areas.  | page 15 | <b>21</b> ( <i>only 2 marked all-access car parking spots</i> )<br><b>24</b> ( <i>multiple, clearly identified, accessible parking spaces needed on all sides of Park – linked to accessible paths</i> ) |                         |
| <b>Public Transport</b>  |         |  |                         |
| Liaise with the State Transit Authority to relocate existing bus stops off the Park's north-east and south-east corners closer to the Park where practical, and to include "Five Dock Park" naming as part of all signage for those bus stops adjacent or close to the Park. | page 15 |  |                         |
| <b>Bike Paths/Access</b>   |         |  |                         |
| Improve safety for cyclists at the Barnstaple Road and Ingham Avenue roundabout at the Park's north-east corner.   | page 16 | <b>39</b> ( <i>improvements for SR2 bike route along Barnstaple Rd beside Park</i> )   |                         |
| Improve safety for cyclists at the Ingham and First Avenues roundabout at the Park's south-east corner.  | page 16 |  |                         |

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| Develop a new shared path, or a dedicated cycle path, along the Park's eastern (Ingham Avenue) boundary.   | page 16 |  | <b>39</b> ( <i>problematic re connections to/from road network</i> ) |
| Provide bicycle racks at key entry points to the Park (and other internal locations).  | page 17 |  |  |
| <b>Paths, Pedestrian and All-abilities Access</b>  |         |  |  |
| Install assisted pedestrian crossing points (refuge crossings, zebra crossings, etc.) on Ingham Avenue at the end of the radial paths leading to Howley and Noble Streets.   | page 18 |  |  |
| Remodel the Park's north-western entry (Barnstaple and Park Roads) and south-eastern entry (Ingham and First Avenues) to provide for all-abilities access – as well as easier access for prams, bicycles, mobility scooters, etc. Enhance the presentation (plantings, signage, etc.) at these secondary entry points. | page 18 | <b>39</b> ( <i>at Ingham/First and Ingham/Barnstaple</i> )<br><b>24</b> ( <i>at Barnstaple/Park and Ingham/First</i> )   |  |
| <b>Upgrade all entries to allow for all-abilities access and bicycles</b>  |         | <b>24</b>  |  |
| Install safe pedestrian crossing points (pram ramps, and refuges where required) where crossing options are now not provided for – across Barnstaple Road at the Park's north-west corner and across Ingham Avenue at the south-west and south-east corners.   | page 19 | <b>14</b><br><b>3</b> ( <i>pedestrian crossing on Barnstaple Rd</i> )<br><b>10</b> ( <i>in Barnstaple Rd crossing from Bennett and Betts Aves</i> )<br><b>30</b> ( <i>across Barnstaple Rd and Ingham Ave, especially for children</i> ) |  |
| Realign the path end at the Park's north-east corner (Barnstaple Road and Ingham Avenue) to more safely enter the roundabout and existing refuge crossings at this point.  | page 19 | <b>14</b>  |  |
| Ensure all path entry/exit points are signposted "No Parking" zones (if parking would otherwise be permitted).   | page 19 |  |  |

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| Install (signposting, road marking, etc.) a low-speed shared zone at intersection of Park Road and Second Avenue in the Park's south-west.   | page 19 | <b>39</b><br><b>21</b> ( <i>improve access between park and aged care facility on Park Rd</i> )   |                         |
| Low-speed shared zone required in First Ave, between Park Rd and Domremy College pedestrian crossing (poor sight lines)  |         | <b>39</b>   |                         |
| Progressively upgrade the older narrow pram ramps at Park entry points, including those on the opposite sides of adjoining roads.  | page 19 |   |                         |
| Install a pram ramp on the north-west corner of the Barnstaple Road and Betts Avenue intersection, to mirror the existing (but isolated) ramp on the Park's boundary opposite, where crossing options are now not provided for across Barnstaple Road at the Park's north-west corner and across Ingham Avenue at the south-west and south-east corners. | page 19 |   |                         |
| <i>Better access for all users from surrounding streets</i>  |         | <b>9 &amp; 39</b><br><b>10</b> ( <i>need more pedestrian crossings</i> )<br><b>11</b> ( <i>low speed traffic environment allowing easy access from the neighbourhood</i> )<br><b>14</b> ( <i>safe pedestrian and cycle routes, and crossings, to the park to encourage access/use</i> ) |                         |
| <i>Link to Bay Run</i>   |         | <b>D8</b>   |                         |
| <b>Park Facilities and Uses (Section 4)</b>  |         |   |                         |
| <b>Sport and Active Leisure/Recreation – Facilities and Uses</b>   |         |   |                         |
| <b>Oval and Grandstand</b>   |         |   |                         |
| Maintain the oval as a venue for the current winter sporting uses of rugby league and AFL.   | page 22 | <b>P</b>  |                         |



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| Maintain the oval primarily as a cricket venue in summer, but with the possibility of also catering for other sporting uses where these can be accommodated and adequately managed.   | page 22 | <b>P</b><br><b>B4</b> ( <i>under-utilised oval</i> )<br><b>TS4</b> ( <i>one of few grounds in Canada Bay that can accommodate older age groups, retaining in “summers for cricket is critical”</i> )                                       |  |
| Permit greater evening use of the oval for organised sports.  | page 22 | <b>B4</b> ( <i>under-utilised oval</i> )<br><b>A29</b> ( <i>oval light left on can benefit other users</i> )   | <b>A28, B7 &amp; B17</b> ( <i>lights on oval left on regardless of training</i> )  |
| Redevelop a new (or substantially refurbish the existing) grandstand to improve the standard, safety and presentation of this facility – but of a similar size/capacity to the existing facility.   | page 22 | <b>23</b> ( <i>include umpire/referee changeroom, team changerooms [x2], female friendly change facilities [with individual shower cubicles]</i> )<br><b>B4</b> ( <i>“do up” grandstand to encourage more use of under-utilised oval</i> ) | <b>9</b> ( <i>grandstand only needs a facelift</i> )<br><b>B13</b> ( <i>unconvinced of value/need for upgrade, oval or grandstand don’t appear to get much use</i> ) |
| Redevelop/refurbish the grandstand in a style and scale that is consistent with, and sympathetic to, the Park’s heritage character and formal layout and reflects the style of original (1930s) structure.  | page 22 |  |  |
| Provide public toilets (including accessible facilities), available during daylight hours (or managed according to Council’s prevailing toilet access/locking regime), as part of the redeveloped/refurbished grandstand.   | page 23 |  |  |
| Include a general access/purpose or additional community space in a redeveloped/refurbished grandstand that could be made available for other users (on an permit basis from Council) – for activities such as fitness/exercise sessions, Pilates or yoga classes, community group use, meetings, small functions, etc. | page 23 | <b>6</b> ( <i>include gym or fitness facilities</i> )<br><b>X</b> ( <i>multi-use facility, e.g. Waverley Oval</i> )  |  |

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|  |  |   |                         |
| <b>Other Sports Feedback</b>   |  |   |                         |
| Upgrade oval / improve maintenance   |  | <b>2</b> (maintenance of oval is not good enough)<br><b>9</b>   |                         |
| Cricket nets, and improved cricket facilities  |  | <b>A13</b><br><b>14, 37 &amp; 38</b> (cricket nets)<br>D8 (convert Bocce courts to cricket nets)<br><b>23</b> (cricket nets and more practice pitches to meet growing demand, junior teams practice at Park and have to use centre pitch, issue for recruiting and coaching under 9s players)<br><b>TS4</b> (not enough nets in Canada Bay area for training 60+ teams, possible site behind the tennis courts)<br><b>TS3</b> (children's teams practice against tennis court fence, cricket nets needed) |                         |
| Nets to catch stray balls/goals at western end of oval   |  | <b>47</b> (stop balls getting caught in nearby trees)   |                         |
| Tennis courts (free use)   |  | <b>15 &amp; 21</b>  |                         |
| Small FUTSAL synthetic field with lighting   |  | <b>S</b>  |                         |
| Mini-golf  |  | <b>15</b>   |                         |
| Improved sporting and active recreation facilities, with focus on youth activities   |  | <b>17</b><br><b>D4</b> (need to provide more to do for high school kids)  |                         |
| Greater access - sporting facilities are good, but for "members only"  |  | <b>15</b>   |                         |

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| <b>Playground</b>   |         |   |   |
| Repair or replace elements of the existing local/neighbourhood playground as and when required, and continue maintenance of this facility in a safe and serviceable condition.                    | page 24 | <b>29</b><br><b>4 &amp; 16</b> (for young children)<br><b>17</b> (modest upgrade to existing small playground only)<br><b>9 &amp; B13</b> ("themed" upgrade and accommodate wider age groups)<br><b>22</b> (more community friendly and better integrated into park)<br><b>TS1</b> (existing small playground convenient for mothers/toddlers coming to adjacent Baby Health Centre)  | <b>A42</b> (tired and only caters for up to 4 year old)<br><b>A46</b> (cold, shaded and rundown – uses other playgrounds in preference)<br><b>TS1</b> (proximity of playground causes privacy issue for patrons/operation of adjacent Baby Health Centre)       |
| Upgrade or replace the existing playground with a district level facility to provide a greater range of equipment and activities to better meet the needs of the local and surrounding community. | page 24 | <b>11, 25, 31, A8, B6 &amp; Y</b><br><b>16</b> (for kids and infants)<br><b>28</b> (e.g. Blaxland Riverside, Homebush)<br><b>15</b> (adventure playground and splash pad for older kids)<br><b>D8</b> (adventure playground for older ages)<br><b>R</b> (e.g. Cabarita / Five Dock Public School)<br><b>8</b> (with a café)<br><b>14</b> (with flying fox, water play, wild play and child's cycle circuit)<br><b>A3</b> (bigger for primary aged kids – with water play, flying fox e.g. Fairfield Park) | <b>17</b> (no new district playground, area already well serviced by Timbrell Park, and a large playground [dominated by "a brightly coloured plastic monstrosity"] is not in keeping with the park's character [with associated "screaming kids and parents"]) |

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|   |         | <b>B1</b> ( <i>water play, flying fox e.g. Fairfield Park</i> )   |   |
| Alternative Playground Site 1 - Develop a new district level playground on the open terraced lawn area ("Grass Terrace 1") to the north/north-east of existing playground (as one possible site for this facility).   | page 24 | <b>2 &amp; 21</b> ( <i>near picnic/BBQ area with shade</i> )<br><b>TS1</b> ( <i>favour site easily accessible from Baby Health Centre for use by patrons, preference for infants/younger section of playground closest to Centre in playground layout</i> ) |   |
| Alternative Playground Site 2 - Develop a new district level playground to east/south-east of the Baby Health Centre at the western end of the "Circular Rose Garden Terrace" (as one possible site for this facility).   | page 25 |   |   |
| Alternative Playground Site 3 - Develop a new district level playground at some other location elsewhere in the Park.   | page 26 | <b>18 &amp; A5</b> ( <i>shaded fenced playground near the skate park</i> )<br><b>B1</b> ( <i>for middle aged children, sited near skate park</i> )  |   |
| Provide an on-street "drop off" zone or pull-in bay (3-5 minute parking) adjacent to any new district level playground, to enable convenient vehicle drop-off and pick-up by users.   | page 26 |   |   |
| Design any new district level playground at Five Dock Park to offer a different play, and parents', experience and with a different character to the existing "iconic" Livvi's Place playground at nearby Timbrell Park (a large all-abilities playground which includes a "pop up" kiosk and toilets). | page 26 |   | <b>31</b> ( <i>needs a larger play areas like Livvi's Place</i> ) |

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| <b>Five Dock Skate Park</b>   |         |   |                  |
| Continue to manage the skate park as a high standard district/regional level attraction.  | page 27 | <b>15</b><br><b>2</b> ( <i>maintenance of skate park is not good enough</i> )<br><b>20</b> ( <i>do not change the 3 main interconnected bowls [excellent as is]</i> )   |                  |
| Continue to maintain and progressively upgrade the skate park, including measures such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• providing seating and shelter at suitable, safe, locations around the park's margins;</li> <li>• adding additional "street elements" or other components to the park to diversify riding experiences and challenge;</li> <li>• providing areas/features to better cater for scooter riders and beginner or novice riders;</li> <li>• improved drainage measures to prevent ponding in the bottom of bowls; and</li> <li>• harden or remediate the park's margins where necessary to accommodate usage pressures.</li> </ul> | page 28 | <b>A12</b><br><b>17</b> ( <i>features to cater for beginner skaters and scooter riders and provision for cycling</i> )<br><b>20</b> ( <i>maintain the smoothness of the surface</i> )<br><b>20, U &amp; A10</b> ( <i>add a "street" skating or obstacles section</i> )<br><b>20 &amp; B7</b> ( <i>update to accommodate new styles of skating</i> )<br><b>A30</b> ( <i>beginners' area, they can cause accidents</i> )<br><b>B5</b> ( <i>more varied elements</i> )<br><b>B3</b> ( <i>extend skate park over adjoining worn/dirt areas</i> )<br><b>V</b> ( <i>benches around edges</i> )<br><b>A19</b> ( <i>bubbler</i> )<br><b>19</b> ( <i>outdoor ping pong table, also for parents waiting while their children use the skate park</i> )<br><b>20</b> ( <i>fitness facilities for use by supervising parents</i> ) |                  |

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|  |         | <b>A55</b> ( <i>less graffiti removal at skate park, graffiti is part of the skate "scene"</i> )   |                         |
| Install lighting to enable dusk/evening use of the skate park.   | page 28 | <b>T &amp; A17</b><br><b>16</b> ( <i>especially for winter use</i> )<br><b>20</b> ( <i>lighting, on push-button timer</i> )<br><b>B7</b> ( <i>lighting, on a timer</i> ) |                         |
| Ensure the code of conduct for skate park users is displayed, in a user friendly format, onsite at the skate park.   | page 28 | <b>20 &amp; A18</b> ( <i>"rules" sign/board</i> )<br><b>A30</b> ( <i>beginners can cause accidents, need guidance/"rules"</i> )  |                         |
| <i>Provide BBQ and picnic area/facilities near skate park</i>  |         | <b>20, A14 &amp; B5</b>  |                         |
| <i>Provide toilet near skate park</i>  |         | <b>5</b>   |                         |
| Undertake regular risk assessments at the park – especially in relation to fall/trip hazards around the site's margins and the need for perimeter fencing, bowl surface condition/repair, water ponding, and furniture/facility serviceability.  | page 28 | <b>27</b> ( <i>"random pole" in skate park is dangerous</i> )  |                         |
| Continue to make the skate park available for major events and competitions, including commercial or sponsored events.   | page 28 |  |                         |
| <b>Basketball Half-court</b>   |         |  |                         |
| Retain and upgrade the basketball half-court in its present location.  | page 29 | <b>6</b>   |                         |
| Install lighting to enable dusk/evening use of the existing basketball half-court (and include in any new/re-sited half-courts).   | page 29 |  |                         |
| Relocate the half-court to a more visible and appealing location elsewhere in the Park. Potential alternative locations may include – Site 1 west of the fenced dog park (Open Space 1), or Site 2 south-west of the skate park (at the western end of the "Circular Rose Garden Terrace") – both enable connections with the skate park to maintain this part of the Park as a youth activities precinct. | page 30 |  |                         |

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| <i>Second basketball court</i>   |         | <b>17</b> (for younger players)<br><b>A25</b> (add more courts, can't always get on existing single half-court)  |   |
| <i>Full size basketball court (free)</i>   |         | <b>15</b><br><b>38</b> (refurbish and extend existing half-court to full size)   |   |
| <b>Fenced Dog Park</b>   |         |  |   |
| Retain the fenced off-leash dog park and enlarge the fenced area to the east to include a larger open grassed area.                                      | page 31 | <b>9, 15, A33, A38, B6 &amp; B13</b><br><b>16, A6, A7, D4 &amp; D5</b> (extend east to/towards Ingham Ave)<br><b>10</b> (enlarge dog park, but as 2 separated fenced areas for big/small dogs)<br><b>8 &amp; F</b> (retain fenced dog park for dogs that can't go off-leash) | <b>17</b> (dogs need open space to run, not enclosures)                             |
| Install lighting to enable dusk/evening use of the fenced dog park.  | page 31 | <b>9, B &amp; B13</b><br><b>16 &amp; A34</b> (especially for winter use)   |   |
| Install irrigation within the fenced dog park to assist in grass and landscape maintenance.  | page 31 | <b>1, 22 &amp; A43</b><br><b>9 &amp; 16</b> (poor grass maintenance – returf and irrigate)<br><b>25</b> (better maintenance, improved condition)<br><b>D5</b> (better surfacing, is muddy when wet)  |   |
| <i>Improvements to dog park layout and facilities</i>  |         | <b>8, K, L, M, A4, A21 &amp; A58</b> (provide dog waste bags)<br><b>9</b> (repair water point)<br><b>A43</b> (separate the entry and water point, muddy)   | <b>D5</b> (no obstacle course for dogs, are unused as dogs prefer to sniff/explore) |



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|   |         | <b>2</b> ( <i>install play facilities for dogs, more seating for owners</i> )<br><b>B</b> ( <i>trip hazards and not all-access friendly</i> )<br><b>A26, A54, B12, D4 &amp; D5</b> ( <i>address problem of aggressive dogs – better owner control/interaction or separate areas</i> )<br><b>D5</b> ( <i>separated areas for aggressive and quiet dogs, but no common fence</i> )<br><b>9, 10 &amp; B6</b> ( <i>2 fenced dog areas - 1 in use, and 1 unused/recovering</i> )<br><b>14 &amp; 17</b> ( <i>cater for greater range of dogs and owners</i> ) | <b>17</b> ( <i>does not support separate areas for large and small dogs, nor agility equipment - dogs need open space to run, not enclosures</i> ) |
| Clarify and provide consistent advice (on-line, published and on-site) indicating that the fenced off-leash dog park is the only space in the Park where off-leash dogs are permitted (with on-leash dogs permitted elsewhere across the Park, as subject to other regulations and restrictions). | page 31 | <b>39</b> ( <i>signpost park as off-leash dog area at entries</i> )   |  |
| <i>Remove/reduce fenced dog park</i>  |         | <b>3</b> ( <i>remove, too small, most dogs still using areas outside enclosure anyway</i> )<br><b>6</b> ( <i>reduce area</i> )<br><b>B1</b> ( <i>owners still use whole park for their dogs</i> )   |  |
| <i>Greater off-leash dog access/use (to whole Park)</i>   |         | <b>22</b><br><b>17</b> ( <i>unfettered dog access to whole park, no justification to prohibit off leash dogs from the oval when used for sport or from other open</i> )   |  |

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|  |         | spaces in the park, dog owners make up bulk of park users and dogs need to “socialise”, Council “intervention” only at peak periods)<br><b>50 &amp; 51</b> (why have a fenced dog park)<br><b>53</b> (allow park to be used by all, only isolate problem dogs to fenced area)<br><b>10</b> (reinstate former unfenced off-leash dog area bear Tigers Five Dock Club, with seating)<br><b>8</b> (whole park as leash free area, except during sporting events)<br><b>F</b> (whole park as leash free area, except oval)<br><b>8, 17, A39, A56 &amp; B12</b> (leash free use of whole park, but time limited) |                  |
| Better enforcement of dog regulations  |         | <b>25</b> (more ranger patrols to enforce off-leash dog rules)<br><b>52</b> (focus on bad dog owners (don’t punish good dog owners who clean up after dogs and care for park)<br><b>6</b> (fewer dogs, should not be known mainly as a dog park)<br><b>8</b> (much dog waste not picked up)   |                  |
| More water points for dogs (whole Park)  |         | <b>C, D &amp; E</b>   |                  |
| <b>Bocce Rinks</b>   |         |   |                  |
| Remove the existing disused bocce rinks, and floodlighting, and return this areas to lawn and/or landscape plantings.                                    | page 32 | <b>22</b> (under-used)<br><b>D8</b> (convert Bocce courts to cricket nets)  |                  |

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| <b>Independent Active Recreation and Fitness</b>   |         |   |                  |
| Install low-key facilities to support personal exercise, fitness or training activities at appropriate sites within the Park. Suitable facilities could include a perimeter trail circuit, exercise stations (centralised or spaced along a fitness trail), climbing equipment, etc. | page 32 | <b>35</b> (fitness equipment)<br><b>Z</b> (similar to Bay Run facilities)<br><b>17</b> (fitness facilities for adults and teenagers, centralised facility [e.g. fitness station at King George park, Rozelle] plus scattered additional stations through the park [not many in Canada Bay])<br><b>20</b> (fitness facilities near skate park for use by supervising parents)<br><b>C3, D1 &amp; D8</b> (exercise equipment for older people [e.g. stationery bike or outdoor bench] on a circuit)<br><b>14, 21 &amp; 23</b> (perimeter loop path around entire park [walkers and cyclists]) |                  |
| <b>Personal Trainers</b>   |         |   |                  |
| Continue to approve personal trainers to operate within the Park, consistent with Council's policies and personal trainer registration procedures.   | page 33 | <b>D4</b> (Council fund and promote personal training outdoor boot camps [with participant contribution], would use park for personal training if there was a covered area)   |                  |
| <b>Passive Leisure/Recreation - Facilities and Uses</b>  |         |   |                  |
| <b>Paths, for Walking and Cycling</b>  |         |   |                  |
| Maintain the radial path network as the main movement "spine" and a key component of the Park.   | page 34 | <b>11</b> (and to reflect Park's early beginnings - 1885)   |                  |

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| Progressively repair and replace or upgrade damaged sections of path at service vehicle crossing points or travel sections, and identify/notify designated service vehicle crossing or access points to Park maintenance staff, contractors and others with approved vehicle access (such as event organisers). | page 34 | <b>10</b> (some paths cracked and need upgrading, poor section at rear of Tigers Five Dock Club and tennis courts)<br><b>24</b> (paths near skate park and picnic area are uneven and require upgrading to all-access standard) |                         |
| Progressively upgrade all, or selected, paths to a minimum width acceptable for low-speed shared use (walkers and cyclists, 2.4 to 2.5 metres wide).  | page 35 | <b>11</b><br><b>24</b> (widen all paths to 2.5m for shared use [limit bike speeds])<br><b>TS2</b> (accessible pathways providing improved access from all streets)  |                         |
| Develop a new section of path connecting the north-eastern radial path to Barnstaple Road opposite Betts Avenue, running east of the Tigers Five Dock Bowling Club.   | page 35 | <b>24</b> (no accessible path from Barnstaple Rd carparking, in front of Tigers Five Dock Club, into the park)<br><b>TS2</b>  |                         |
| <i>New path from Ingham Avenue (opposite end of Noble Street) direct to Tigers Five Dock Club.</i>  |         | <b>TS2</b> (allow more direct and safer access to club, and between club and other sections of park)  |                         |
| Assess, and/or monitor, the need for a dedicated bicycle path through the Park – especially a south-east to north-west link (and avoiding the Central War Memorial).  | page 35 | <b>39</b> (low speed cycle link)  |                         |
| <i>Perimeter loop path around entire park (for walkers and cyclists)</i>  |         | <b>14, 21 &amp; 23</b><br><b>24</b> (2.5m wide all-abilities shared access perimeter path, perimeter circuit for use by all without impacting on Park's green space [including across front of Tiger Five Dock Club])           |                         |

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| <b>Picnic Areas</b>   |         |   |                         |
| Maintain the two larger picnic areas, including enhancing their landscape setting of scattered/open trees, plantings and open grass. Retain the older style, timber, character of the picnic furniture/facilities provided. | page 36 | <b>15 &amp; J</b><br><b>2</b> ( <i>improve picnic areas, more BBQs and shade</i> )  |                         |
| Install lighting to enable dusk/evening use of the eastern picnic areas.  | page 36 |   |                         |
| Merge the two eastern picnic area when additional facilities are warranted by demand/usage pressures.   | page 36 | <b>4</b> ( <i>more picnic facilities</i> )<br><b>7</b> ( <i>more BBQ/picnic areas</i> )<br><b>15</b> ( <i>more tables, chairs and BBQs</i> )  |                         |
| No all-access path to picnic/BBQ areas and individual picnic tables   |         | <b>24</b>   |                         |
| Remove/relocate the few isolated and little-used picnic facilities off the north-east side of the oval.   | page 37 |   |                         |
| Additional BBQ and picnic area/facilities near skate park   |         | <b>20, A14 &amp; B5</b>   |                         |
| <b>Passive Leisure and Recreation Uses, Areas and Facilities</b>  |         |   |                         |
| Maintain, and repair/replace as required, the furniture and facilities supporting the Park's casual passive leisure and recreation use.   | page 37 |   |                         |
| Provide additional low-key casual passive leisure/recreation furniture and facilities at appropriate sites as/when warranted.   | page 37 | <b>15</b><br><b>3</b> ( <i>more seats, especially for elderly</i> )<br><b>V</b> ( <i>benches around margins of skate park</i> )   |                         |
| Maintain the Park's attractive lawn, trees, gardens, and path landscape as the underlying setting and appeal for the area's passive leisure and recreation uses (see Section 5).  | page 37 |   |                         |
| Develop an outdoor/indoor pavilion or central seating hub (part sheltered, part open), including paving and appropriate landscaping/amenity plantings.  | page 38 | <b>15</b> ( <i>a community hub for people to meet e.g. children/mothers groups, kids parties, morning teas for the elderly</i> )<br><b>D4</b> ( <i>need covered area for lease out e.g. for parties</i> ) |                         |

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| <b>Community Events and Social Gatherings</b>   |         |   |                  |
| Continue to make Five Dock Park oval, the War Memorial, and other areas of the Park available for major community events, commemorations and celebrations – including commercial or sponsored events where appropriate.   | page 39 | <b>C4</b><br><b>2</b> ( <i>cultural events, community markets, facilities for events e.g. open air cinema</i> )<br><b>15</b> ( <i>use under-utilised areas for outdoor events, markets or festivals</i> )<br><b>D1</b> ( <i>food [health food or local produce] or “new age” festivals, markets, promoting young talent</i> )<br><b>D4</b> ( <i>outdoor movies</i> )<br><b>TS2</b> ( <i>markets, outdoor movies and community events – on Tigers Five Dock Club site and adjacent parts of park, or elsewhere in park</i> ) |                  |
| Provide nature walks  |         | <b>14</b><br><b>15</b> ( <i>a botanical walk or nature trail</i> )  |                  |
| Continue to collaborate with Five Dock RSL in the management of Anzac Day and other commemorations at the central War Memorial.   | page 39 |   |                  |
| Investigate the crowd safety/security implications of large non-organised gatherings on the oval – notably the New Year’s Eve fireworks viewing – as part of a wider review of Council’s crowd safety role/responsibility in public spaces across the entire City of Canada Bay area. | page 39 |   |                  |
| <b>Memorials</b>  |         |   |                  |
| <b>Central War Memorial</b>   |         |   |                  |
| Continue to liaise and collaborate with Five Dock RSL regarding the memorial’s management and commemorative events.   | page 40 |   |                  |

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| Improve passive/casual surveillance over the War Memorial to assist in the prevention of future vandalism and damage. Install closed circuit television security if appropriate. | page 40 | <b>C1</b>   |                         |
| Investigate all-abilities access to the War Memorial, and provide if feasible.   | page 40 |   |                         |
| <i>War Memorial should be open/accessible more frequently</i>  |         | <b>A32</b> (open more often so people can pay respects)<br><b>A35</b> (more services)<br><b>D1</b> (memorial function not obvious/apparent, add visible honour rolls) |                         |
| <i>Improve existing unsympathetic screening</i>  |         | <b>B4</b> (poorly screened, mesh should be "more open")<br><b>B13</b> ("sad" that it has to be so closed in)  |                         |
| <b>Whitford Memorial</b>   |         |   |                         |
| Liaise and collaborate with the descendants of James Whitford regarding the memorial's management and upkeep.  | page 41 |   |                         |
| Undertake repair and maintenance of the Whitford Memorial.   | page 41 | <b>B13</b> (replace plaque)   |                         |
| Investigate relocating the Whitford Memorial closer to, or as part of, the central War Memorial.   | page 41 |   |                         |
| <b>Other Park Facilities</b>   |         |   |                         |
| <b>Toilets</b>   |         |   |                         |
| Provide accessible public toilets as part of the grandstand's redevelopment/refurbishment.   | page 42 | <b>24</b> (provide more than 1 accessible toilet)<br><b>A48, B23 &amp; D7</b> (current toilets are "disgusting")<br><b>A40</b> (current toilets are "scary")          |                         |



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| Provide accessible toilets in the southern part of the Park.   | page 42 | <b>5</b> (new toilet near skate park)<br><b>Q</b> (more toilets at multiple locations)<br><b>24</b> (provide more than 1 accessible toilet)<br><b>A49 &amp; B22</b> (need toilets in south, memorial conifers being used as toilet area)<br><b>TS1</b> (mothers/children in existing small playground regularly ask to use toilet in adjacent Baby Health Centre) |                         |
| <i>More toilets, and better condition</i>  |         | <b>2, 4, 5, 9, 11, 16, B13, B22 &amp; TS6</b>   |                         |
| <i>Longer opening hours for toilets</i>  |         | <b>10, 16 &amp; B22</b>   |                         |
| <b>Lighting</b>  |         |   |                         |
| Maintain, and repair/replace as necessary, the existing path and area lighting.  | page 43 |   |                         |
| Install additional lighting where paths are poorly lit or as necessary to improve illumination and user safety along the radial and other paths (existing and proposed). | page 43 | <b>1, 2, 32 &amp; TS2</b>   |                         |
| Provide additional area lighting where and when necessary, as the Park's usage patterns change and evolve.   | page 43 |   |                         |
| <i>More lighting for safety at night</i>   |         | <b>2, 4, 32 &amp; A41</b>   |                         |
| Upgrade lighting to facilitate dusk/evening use of selected Park facilities.   | page 43 | <b>TS6</b> (for morning and evening PT use, have to "hunt around" for incidental lighting to use in differing parts of park)  |                         |

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|   |         | <b>A29</b> (oval lights left on can benefit other users)   |  |
| Use lighting for aesthetic purposes as well as for function.  | page 43 |  |  |
| <b>Other Park Facilities Feedback</b>   |         |  |  |
| <i>More safe areas for ball games</i>   |         | <b>14</b>  |  |
| Café (permanent)  |         | <b>2, 4, 14, 15, A1, A2 &amp; A59</b><br><b>8</b> (next to new larger playground)<br><b>16</b> (food and coffee shop [Five Dock shops too far away when have children and dog at park])<br><b>G, H &amp; I</b> (café in Baby Health Centre)<br><b>TS1</b> (favour café/coffee outlet close to Baby Health Centre and playground, to attract mothers to “outside” park/playground setting rather than an “indoors” coffee shop) | <b>4</b> (have a quota for cafes – need more restaurants and decent pubs, locally ?) |
| Café (pop-up or stall, for peak periods)  |         | <b>15 &amp; D4</b>   |  |
| More bubblers   |         | <b>4, 11, A57 &amp; B13</b><br><b>A19</b> (bubbler at skate park)<br><b>A44</b> (more drinking water)  |  |
| “Return and Earn” machine   |         | <b>O</b>   |  |
| <b>PARK LANDSCAPING AND GARDENS (Section 5)</b>   |         |  |  |
| Ornamental Gardens and Hedges   |         |  |  |
| Manage gardens to reflect the Park’s heritage character, provide amenity, maintain a safe environment and perform required functions in a sustainable manner. | page 47 | <b>8</b> (better maintenance of garden beds)<br><b>11</b> (integrated design to reflect Park’s early beginnings - 1885)  | <b>3</b> (replace rose gardens with hedge mazes or native plants)                    |

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|   |         | <b>22</b> ( <i>better maintenance of garden beds [have been allowed to deteriorate], should have mix of annuals and perennials and should showcase park staffs' horticultural skills</i> )  | <b>14</b> ( <i>park in a "time warp" of grass and rose beds, lacks biodiversity</i> )<br><b>22</b> ( <i>more native bush gardens</i> ) |
| <b>Tree-lined Paths</b>   |         |   |  |
| Retain, supplement and extend semi-formal tree plantings along the existing path network.   | page 48 |   |  |
| <b>Tree Groves or "Greenweb"</b>  |         |   |  |
| Extend and reinforce the existing tree cover along the path network, across the informal treed corridor in Parks' west (First Avenue to Barnstaple Road), and within tree groves/islands to provide shade, amenity, climatic amelioration, birdlife/wildlife connections and micro-habitat. | page 49 | <b>11</b><br><b>10</b> ( <i>keep mature trees</i> )<br><b>12</b> ( <i>plant more trees, Council does not appear to have a tree planting programme</i> )<br><b>13</b> ( <i>shady and green with mature trees, habitat for native animals</i> )<br><b>14</b> ( <i>abundance of trees and plantings, to create a green oasis, and make the park the centre point of a network of "green streets"</i> )<br><b>15</b> ( <i>trees, ground storey and vegetation connections to provide habitat and become a sanctuary for local native fauna e.g. birds</i> )<br><b>22</b> ( <i>more tree plantings</i> ) |  |
| <b>Boundary Tree Plantings</b>  |         |   |  |
| Re-establish perimeter plantings to the Park to maintain this heritage design feature.  | page 50 | <b>9</b><br><b>1</b> ( <i>replace perimeter palms</i> )   |  |

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|  |         | <b>12 &amp; 34</b> (especially along Barnstaple Rd frontage)<br><b>14</b> (plant park edges with native trees and shrubs)<br><b>15</b> (improve planting on boundaries, too exposed)<br><b>A11</b> (boundary plantings to north and east roads)   |   |
| <b>Memorial Conifers</b>   |         |   |   |
| Provide memorial plantings to reflect the significance of the “memorial zone”, that are sustainable in the environmental and climatic conditions, that acknowledge the heritage of the Park and that provide an aesthetic and functional solution. | page 50 | <b>15</b><br><b>10</b> (improve current poor pruning)   |   |
| <b>Lawn Areas</b>  |         |   |   |
| Maintain the existing open lawn areas as attractive and usable open areas.   | page 51 | <b>11</b><br><b>6</b> (same amount of green space)<br><b>8</b> (keep open, maintain sense of space)<br><b>15</b> (important green space, as new larger houses are leaving little private open space)<br><b>17</b> (improved open space with focus on youth activities)<br><b>C5</b> (do not overdevelop or add more paving)<br><b>D2</b> (keep it green and simple, do not overdevelop or pave)<br><b>TS6</b> (appeal of “lots of space”) | <b>13</b> (less grass, more trees and native vegetation)          |
| Rationalise the extent of lawn areas to minimise maintenance requirements.   | page 51 | <b>13</b> (less grass, more trees and native vegetation)  | <b>8</b> (keep open, maintain sense of space, more “flower beds”) |

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| <b>Cool Green Zone</b>   |         |   |  |
| Establish a “cool zone” to provide a refuge for Park users and local residents during the hotter months in the year.   | page 52 | <b>13 &amp; 15</b>  |  |
| <b>Views</b>   |         |   |  |
| Maintain the current open character, and highly visible/unobstructed nature, or most parts of the Park.  | page 53 | <b>8</b> ( <i>keep open, maintain sense of space</i> )<br><b>D7</b> ( <i>keep it nice and open</i> )                                      |  |
| Avoid tall hedges, screening garden beds or dense shrub/tree plantings that may unduly screen areas to passive surveillance (from surrounding streets and residential areas, or other high use parts of the Park). | page 53 |   | <b>14</b> ( <i>plant park edges with native trees and shrubs</i> )<br><b>15</b> ( <i>improve planting on boundaries, too exposed</i> ) |
| Ensure that any future development of the northern lease areas, notably Tigers Five Dock Bowling Club, do not impact the Park’s role as a district high/vantage point.   | page 53 |   |  |
| <b>Stormwater Management/Harvesting</b>  |         |   |  |
| Provide passive systems to harvest rainwater/stormwater.   | page 53 |   |  |
| <b>Other Park Landscaping and Gardens Feedback</b>   |         |   |  |
| <i>Improved maintenance of lawn areas</i>  |         | <b>13</b> ( <i>grass always seems to be parched</i> )<br><b>A37</b> ( <i>compacted soils need better aeration to allow infiltration</i> ) |  |
| <i>Community garden (produce could support local community)</i>  |         | <b>2, A23, C2 &amp; D1</b>  |  |
| <i>Not inviting for families at the moment, make more appealing as a space for families to meet</i>  |         | <b>22</b>   |  |
| <i>Establish a Bushcare group to plant and maintain native vegetation</i>  |         | <b>13</b><br><b>15</b> ( <i>plant more native vegetation</i> )  |  |

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| <b>LEASES AND LICENCES (Section 6)</b>  |         |  |  |
| <b>Tigers Five Dock Bowling Club</b>  |         |  |  |
| Continue to lease the existing 5,600 square metre site to the Tigers Five Dock Bowling Club for the operation of bowling club and community facility, subject to appropriate terms and conditions to ensure this use compatible and in harmony with the Park and surrounding neighbourhood.   | page 55 | <b>TS2</b> ( <i>continue to be leased, for benefit of members and community</i> )<br><b>22</b> ( <i>high participation rates, as only 3 lawn bowls locations in Canada Bay</i> )<br><b>24</b> ( <i>add “super club” to Tigers Five Dock Club</i> ) | <b>6</b> ( <i>Tigers Five Dock Club redeveloped as a community hub</i> )<br><b>14</b> ( <i>Tigers Five Dock Club should be a more open community asset</i> ) |
| <i>PoM should allow for improvements at Tigers Five Dock Club/site, including:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>converting one or both greens to synthetic surface;</i></li> <li>• <i>expansion of the Club via a second level to the east, working with natural slope of site (but with no loss of views for adjoining residents) – for fully enclosed or partially open facilities (e.g. dining terrace or beer garden);</i></li> <li>• <i>replacement or upgrading of outbuildings;</i></li> <li>• <i>improved lighting to both greens;</i></li> <li>• <i>holding “events” (markets, movie nights, entertainment, community events) on club site (including multi-purpose use of greens) and including adjacent areas of park; and</i></li> <li>• <i>improved (higher) fencing around greens (to support multi-purpose use).</i></li> </ul> |         | <b>TS2</b>   |  |
| <i>Add second storey to Tigers Five Dock Club building</i>  |         | <b>24</b>  |  |
| <b>Five Dock Park Tennis Centre</b>   |         |  |  |
| Continue to lease the existing 1,700 square metre site as a commercially operated tennis centre, subject to appropriate terms and conditions to ensure this use compatible and in harmony with the Park and surrounding neighbourhood.  | page 57 | <b>TS3</b> ( <i>continue lease and operation of tennis centre</i> )<br><b>6</b>  | <b>14</b> ( <i>tennis courts should be free</i> )  |

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|  |         | <b>22</b> ( <i>high participation rates, as only 5 tennis centres in Canada Bay</i> )  |   |
| <i>Solution needed to cricket balls coming over fence onto tennis courts during coaching sessions.</i>   |         | <b>TS3</b> ( <i>particularly bad during summer Saturdays, children's cricket close to tennis centre, concerned a tennis child will be hit by a cricket ball</i> )      |   |
| <b>Baby Health Centre</b>  |         |  |   |
| Liaise with NSW Health to formalise lease of the Baby Health Centre building/site.   | page 57 | <b>TS1</b> ( <i>Sydney Local Health District will continue to occupy/use building, increasing patronage levels and diversifying services offered</i> )                 |   |
| Liaise with NSW Health regarding possible relocation of the current Baby Health Centre function to another location outside the Park, to allow for repurposing of the building/site to better support use and enjoyment of the wider Park. | page 57 | <b>11</b> ( <i>repurpose Baby Health Centre as café and playground</i> )<br><b>22</b> ( <i>Baby health centre seems to get little use, consider alternative uses</i> ) | <b>TS1</b> ( <i>Sydney Local Health District plans to continue to occupy/use building</i> )                                 |
| <i>Improvements to Baby Health Centre</i>  |         | <b>TS1</b> ( <i>internal refurbishment, new signage with correct "branding"/information, improved security/privacy</i> )   |   |
| <b>Other Leases and Licences Feedback</b>  |         |  |   |
| <i>No more leases to businesses</i>  |         | <b>12</b>  |   |
| <b>OTHER FEEDBACK</b>  |         |  |   |
| <b>Maintenance</b>   |         |  |   |
| <i>Well maintained Park</i>  |         | <b>9</b> ( <i>oval, gardens skate park and BBQs well maintained</i> )  | <b>2 &amp; 22</b> ( <i>facilities poorly maintained</i> )<br><b>1</b> ( <i>graffiti, vandalism and rubbish – improved</i> ) |



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|  |  |  | <i>maintenance and more regular park inspections needed)</i><br><b>8</b> ( <i>graffiti, vandalism and rubbish</i> )<br><b>A31 &amp; B8</b> ( <i>litter at skate park</i> ) |
| Ensure provision of adequate funding   |  | <b>1 &amp; 9</b><br><b>4</b> ( <i>funds for upgrading, maintenance and beautification</i> ),<br><b>14</b> ( <i>prepare a master plan and invest in this important asset</i> )                        |  |
| <b>Safety/Security</b>   |  |  |  |
| Improved safety, surveillance and security   |  | <b>1</b><br><b>4</b> ( <i>more funding for surveillance and security, police patrols</i> )<br><b>5</b> ( <i>police patrols</i> )<br><b>C1</b> ( <i>"gangs of youths" around park</i> )<br><b>TS2</b> |  |
| Provide safe areas through high quality design   |  | <b>2</b><br><b>14</b> ( <i>more safe areas</i> )   |  |
| <b>Signage</b>   |  |  |  |
| More anti-litter notices   |  | <b>8</b>   |  |
| Signs at skate park and playground advising toilet location(s)   |  | <b>10 &amp; B22</b>  |  |
| <b>PARK FUTURE / VISION</b>  |  |  |  |
| No major change  |  | <b>1, 7 &amp; 9</b><br><b>11 &amp; 12</b> ( <i>destination for passive recreation with selected active activities</i> )  |  |

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| <i>Remains an attractive and safe place for friends and families to meet, use and enjoy</i>  |  | <b>1, 5 &amp; 6</b><br><b>11</b> (an oasis for all)<br><b>15</b> (important green space, as new larger houses are leaving little private open space)<br><b>22</b> (should be the best park in Five Dock)  |                         |
| <i>Activities and events to encourage use and to support the community</i>   |  | <b>D4</b><br><b>14</b> (a wide variety of play and healthy activities)<br><b>15</b> (more people using the park – a community hub for people to meet e.g. children/mothers groups, kids parties, morning teas for the elderly)<br><b>TS2</b> (“heart and lungs” of local community, for existing and emerging user groups, Tigers Five Dock Club providing recreational and social activities for park users and local residents) |                         |
| <i>A balance between active (sports and skating), passive (strolling and sitting) and heritage (“Victorian”) character</i>                               |  | <b>11</b> (harmonious blending of heritage values and new developments)   |                         |
| <i>Mixed play areas, high quality sports facilities, nature walks, picnic areas attracting all ages</i>  |  | <b>14 &amp; 15</b> (like Strathfield Park as a good example)<br><b>11</b> (balance between organised/structured and less formal/managed activities e.g. tennis vs CrossFit and personal training)   |                         |

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| Present/celebrate Aboriginal heritage  |  | 22 (may be suitable location to recognise and celebrate Aboriginal people, their “relationship”, and contribution) |                         |