

Drummoyne Shared Spaces

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION REPORT
SEPTEMBER 2021

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BACKGROUND

Following the trial of the Formosa Street and Church Street shared spaces from October 2020 to March 2021, Council has resolved to make these public spaces permanent. To deliver this project, Council has received a \$1M grant from the NSW Government as part of the Your High Street Program, which will be met with a \$2M contribution from the City of Canada Bay.

Community feedback collected throughout the pilot period has been used to create concept designs for both spaces. These designs were presented to the community for further feedback and results are summarised in this report.

This consultation ran from 9 – 31 August 2021.

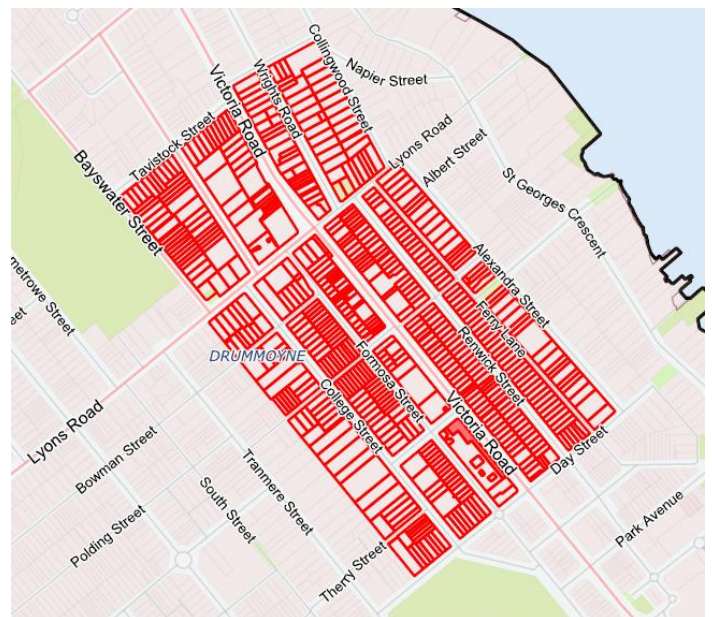
CONSULTATION METHODS

- 2 x surveys on Collaborate (one for each space)
- 2 x online Q&A sessions (one for each space). These Q&A sessions were organised as face-to-face drop-in sessions, however were not permitted due to the stay-at-home orders in place in Greater Sydney.
- Feedback via phone and email

NOTIFICATION METHODS

The following methods were implemented to notify the community of this consultation:

- Notification letter delivered to approx. 1,280 residences and businesses (see appendix A)
- 4 x stickers displayed on site signage (see appendix B)
- Collaborate project page
- Social media posts on Facebook and Instagram (see appendix C)
- @Rhodes enewsletter (August)
- Direct email to Drummoyne Chamber of Commerce
- Direct email to participants of the pilot consultation



CONSULTATION SUMMARY

[Collaborate page \(see appendix D for more detail\)](#)

- 663 page views
- 409 unique visitors
- 43 people following the project for updates

Online Q&A sessions

- 10 people registered for the Formosa Street Q&A
- 11 people registered for the Church Street Q&A

RESULTS

- The online surveys received 121 contributions from 76 contributors, with many contributors completing the surveys for both spaces
- 2 pieces of feedback were received via email
- Formosa Street and Church Street Q&A sessions were attended by 4 and 7 community members, respectively.

Results for each shared space are summarised below.

Formosa Street

Survey

56 submissions were received through this online survey. Of these:

- 77% of respondents live in Drummoyne
- 2% of respondents own a business in Drummoyne
- 91% of respondents visited the space during the pilot period

Results are summarised below. For more detail, refer to appendix E.

Category	Preferred option/s	Percentage of respondents (%)
Play options	Table tennis	53
	Hopscotch	47
	Chess	45
Bench shape	Curved	84
Seating	Picnic table	84
Trees (colour)	Lagerstroemia	63
Trees (canopy type and size)	Backhousia	75
Groundcover	Trach Jas	53
Shrubs	Raphiolepis	46
Lighting	Overhead	70
	Ambient	77
Paving	Cobblestone	61
Art themes	The environment	59
	First Nations and Aboriginal art	46
	The foreshore	46

Additional comments relating to design

Respondents had the option to provide additional comments on the design. Comments about the design which were mentioned more than once are listed below:

- Visual appeal (7) – make the area appealing by increasing planting and removing overhead powerlines

- Safety (5) – concerns relating to nearby traffic, paving and seating options given small children will be moving around the space

Additional comments relating to use of the space

Comments about the use of the space which were mentioned more than once are listed below:

- Activations (4) – activities to bring people to the space
- Security (4) – concerns relating to disruptive behaviour in the space at night

Other comments

- *More children friendly options / play*
- *It would be nice to have a couple of restaurants/cafes in the space where CBA used to be.*
- *Ensure underground services are documented before the paving is laid to avoid spray painting on a finished area.*
- *Be careful with the height and density of trees used, it would be a shame if the space became so visually separated for the rest of the suburb.*
- *Deciduous trees could also be used for the canopy which will provide greater sunlight to the areas in the colder months*
- *Would be great to have some grass areas*
- *Please keep this space open for public use without any businesses allowed to operate in it - unless (for example) as an occasional market*

Online Q&A

This online Q&A was attended by 4 community members. Of these:

- 2 are business owners
- 2 are local residents

Feedback which relates to the design of the space:

- Moveable furniture would make it easier for local businesses to run events and activations in the space

Feedback which relates to the use of the space:

- Noise from activations must be mitigated to avoid disruption to nearby businesses
- Local businesses would welcome the opportunity to use the space for activations and promotion

Church Street

Survey

50 submissions were received through the online survey. Of these:

- 80% of respondents live in Drummoyne
- 8% of respondents own a business in Drummoyne
- 94% of respondents visited the space during the pilot period

Results are summarised below. For more detail, refer to appendix F.

Category	Preferred option/s	Percentage of respondents (%)
Play options	Chess	48
	Table tennis	44
	Hopscotch	42
Shade	Shade structure	76
Feature wall	Trellis	62
Trees (colour)	Fraxinus	65
Lighting	Fairy lights in trees	68
Paving	Colour contrast	61
Art themes	The environment	61
	First Nations and Aboriginal art	55
	The foreshore	43

Additional comments relating to design

Respondents had the option to provide additional comments on the design. Comments about the design which were mentioned more than once are listed below:

- Noise (4) – when selecting play options, the needs of nearby residents must be considered as some cause excessive noise for nearby residents and businesses
- Safety (4) – concerns relating to the proximity of passing traffic and a need for a solid fence or barrier on the Victoria Road side of the space
- Visual appeal (4) – make the area appealing by increasing planting and removing overhead powerlines

Additional comments relating to use of the space

Comments about the use of the space which were mentioned more than once are listed below:

- Security (5) – concerns over disruptive behaviour in the space at night
- Activations (2) – to bring people to the space eg. outdoor cinema or activities for kids

Other comments

- *The only design flaw is that I've noticed, is that the grease pit truck that empties/services the restaurants, will block the road to gain access via an extendable hose. Can you add a car spot for service trucks in the open space area? Maybe remove a car spot on the other side*
- *Please use native plants wherever possible.*
- *Wind protection necessary - from Southerlies in Summer and Westerlies in Winter. If it could incorporate a toilet (like the one at Lyons Road end) and a water filling station on the outside that would be ideal. Raised gardens for the community to grow stocks of herbs or if not have*

as many of the plantings as practicable be hardy edibles such as Rosemary for hedging; Oregano for ground cover; Parsley, curly for color and Mediterranean for height Lots of Sage for color contrast, Lillipillis anywhere

- *If it is to be a family area smoking should not be permitted.*

Online Q&A

This online Q&A was attended by 7 community members. Of these:

- 2 are business owners
- 4 are local residents
- 1 is a property owner but does not live nearby

Feedback which relates to the design of the space:

- Steps may be a trip hazard for children and older residents
- Design measures must reduce confusion for drivers, as cars are often seen entering Church Street from Victoria Road
- Specific play options (eg. table tennis and foosball) and activations cause excessive noise for nearby residents

Feedback which relates to the use of the space:

- Local businesses would welcome the opportunity to use the space for activations and promotion

Phone/email feedback

Two pieces of feedback were received via phone/email, both of which were outside the scope of this consultation.

CONCLUSION

The community is excited for the construction of these shared spaces and the opportunity they will bring for events and activations. For both the Formosa and Church Street spaces there was a general consensus as to which design options were preferred, with the preferred play options (chess, table tennis and hopscotch) and art themes (the environment, First Nations and Aboriginal art, and the foreshore) being consistent across both spaces.

Safety and noise mitigation are high priorities for the community, which should be considered as the design progresses. In particular, residents would like to ensure traffic barriers are extensive as both spaces border busy roads. Additional suggestions regarding the types of planting and play options were also put forward, along with ideas to improve the visual appeal of both spaces.

Other feedback received related to the use and management of the space which indicates further consultation would be beneficial closer to the construction period or opening of the spaces.

APPENDICES

A. Notification letter

Office of Mayor
Angelo Tsirekas

City of
Canada Bay

12 August 2021

Dear resident/business owner,

Drummoyne Shared Spaces – Concept Design Consultation

The Drummoyne Shared Spaces project is progressing well — we are now seeking community feedback to refine the design for these spaces in Church Street and Formosa Street, Drummoyne.

To deliver this project, we have secured a \$1 million grant as part of the NSW Government's Your High Street program, which will be met by a \$2 million contribution from the City of Canada Bay.

Community feedback collected throughout the pilot period has been used to create detailed concept designs for both spaces. You are now invited to review these designs and help us refine certain visual elements to ensure these spaces continue to align with the community's vision.

To review the designs and provide feedback, visit
collaborate.canadabay.nsw.gov.au/sharedspacesdrummoyne

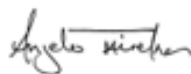
We will also be holding two online Q&A sessions for you to learn about the detailed elements of the designs and provide further feedback.

- Formosa Street Shared Space Q&A: Thursday, 19 August, 5–6pm
- Church Street Shared Space Q&A: Thursday, 19 August, 6–7pm

To attend an online Q&A session, register your interest via the link above.

I look forward to hearing your ideas for the Formosa and Church Street shared spaces. The establishment of two permanent public spaces in Drummoyne will assist our local businesses to bounce back from COVID-19 and will provide a place for the community to come together when it is safe to do so.

Kind regards,



Mayor Angelo Tsirekas
City of Canada Bay

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B. Site stickers

Community consultation now open!

Help us finalise the design for this space



Scan the QR code or visit collaborate.canadabay.nsw.gov.au/sharedspacesdrummoyne to have your say

Feedback closes 31 August 2021

C. Social media posts

Facebook

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Instagram

2 weeks ago



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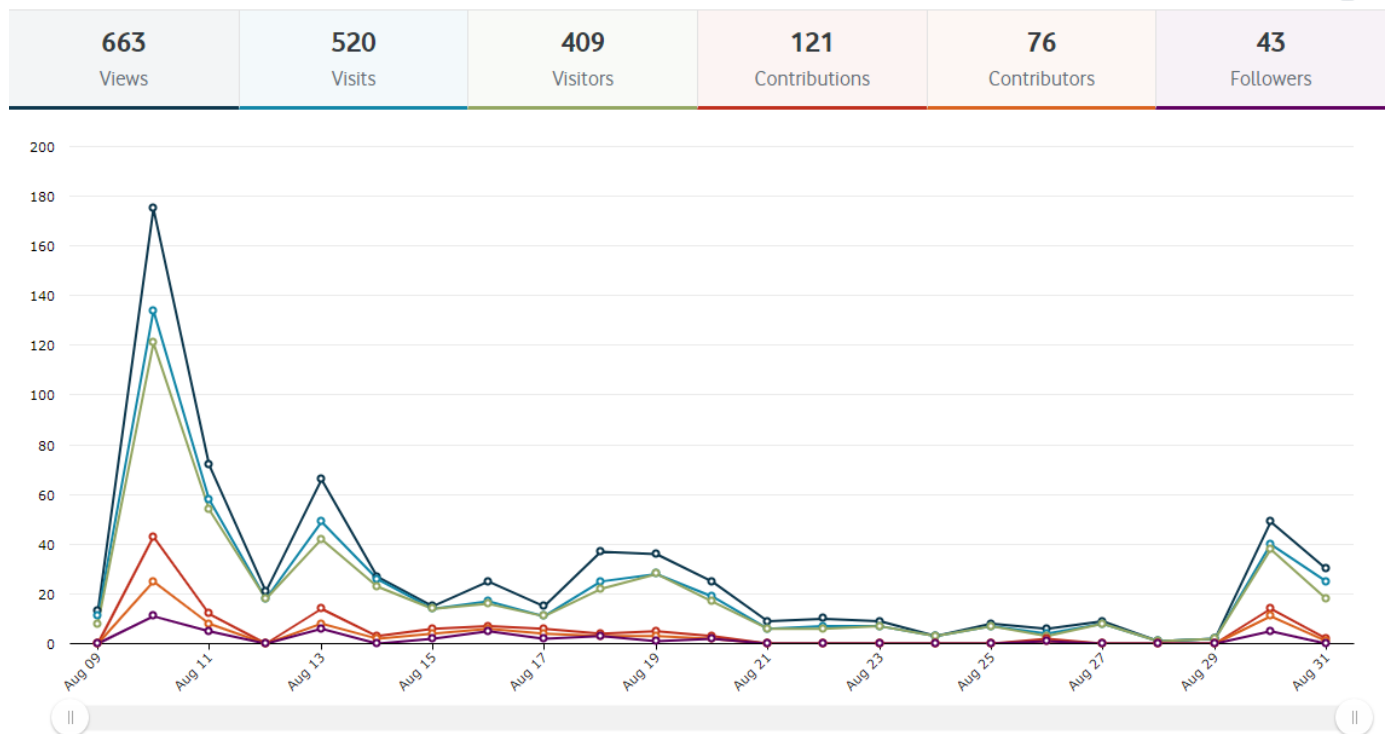
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D. Online engagement

Collaborate



City of Canada Bay News Online

- 941 opens
- 45 clicks



Have your say: Drummoyne Shared Spaces

Earlier this year, we asked for your feedback on on two new public spaces we trialled in Formosa Street and Church Street, Drummoyne.

Following the trial from October 2020 to March 2021, Council has resolved to make these public spaces permanent.

Thanks to your great feedback, we now have some draft concept designs in place. Click the link below to have a look at the designs and help us decide what furniture, play options and trees to include, to name a few!

To deliver this project Council has secured a \$1M grant as part of the NSW Government's Your High Street program, which will be met by a \$2M contribution from the City of Canada Bay.

[Have your say](#)

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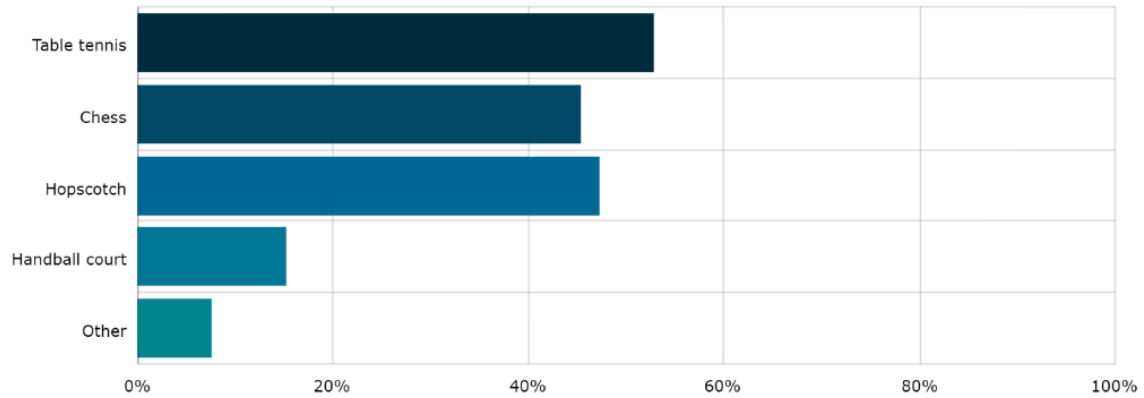
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E. Formosa Street survey results

Play options

1. Which of the following play options would you like to see in the space? Select 1-2 options. Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 4 | Answered: 53 (93%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Table tennis	52.83%	28
Chess	45.28%	24
Hopscotch	47.17%	25
Handball court	15.09%	8
Other	7.55%	4

Other suggestions for play options include:

- Gym
- Kids play equipment
- None (2)

Bench shape

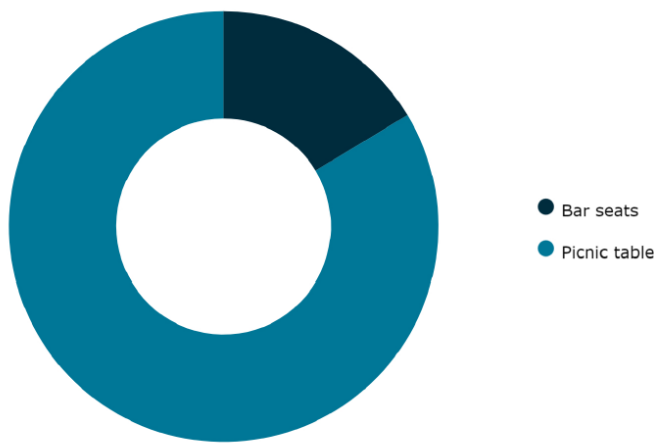
2. What type of bench would you like to see in the space? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 2 | Answered: 55 (96.5%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Curved	83.64%	46
Straight	16.36%	9
Total	100.00%	55

Seating

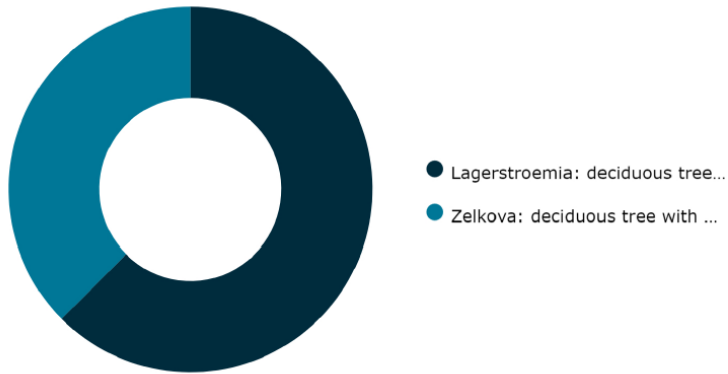
3. What type of seating would you like to see in the space? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 2 | Answered: 55 (96.5%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Bar seats	16.36%	9
Picnic table	83.64%	46
Total	100.00%	55

Trees (colour)

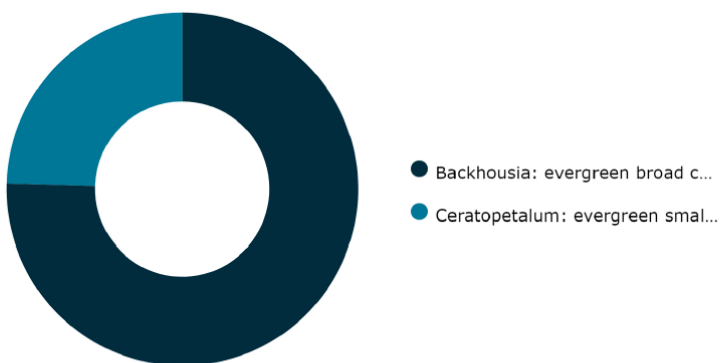
4. Which of these tree colours do you prefer in terms of the colour they will bring to the space? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 1 | Answered: 56 (98.2%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Lagerstroemia: deciduous tree with annual flowers	62.50%	35
Zelkova: deciduous tree with yellow/orange leaves	37.50%	21
Total	100.00%	56

Trees (canopy and size)

5. Which of these trees do you prefer in terms of canopy type and size? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 57 (100%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Backhousia: evergreen broad canopy tree	75.44%	43
Ceratopetalum: evergreen small ornamental tree	24.56%	14
Total	100.00%	57

Groundcover options

6. Which of these groundcover options do you prefer? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 57 (100%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Trach Jas	52.63%	30
Pandorea	47.37%	27
Total	100.00%	57

Shrub options

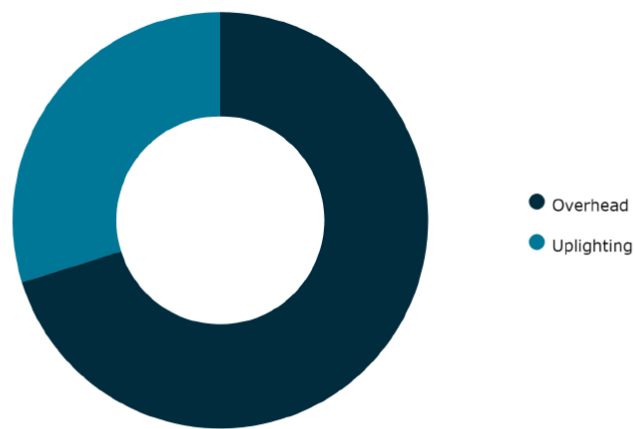
7. Which of these shrub options do you prefer? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 57 (100%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Grevillea	24.56%	14
Callistemon	29.82%	17
Raphiolepis	45.61%	26
Total	100.00%	57

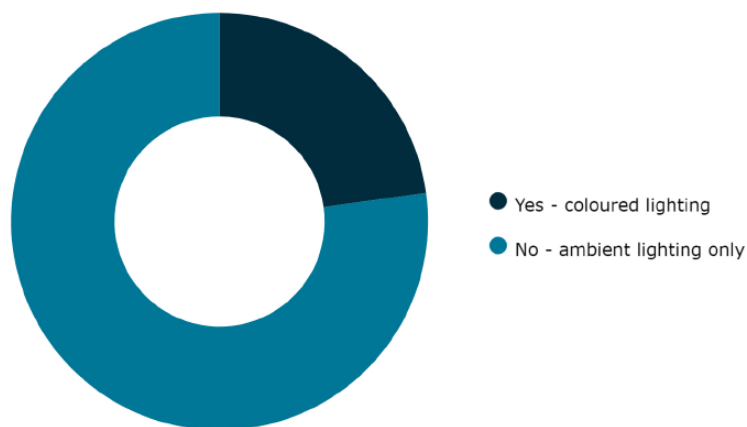
Lighting

8. What type of lighting would you like to see in the space? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 57 (100%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Overhead	70.18%	40
Uplighting	29.82%	17
Total	100.00%	57

9. Would you like to see coloured lighting in the space?
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 57 (100%)

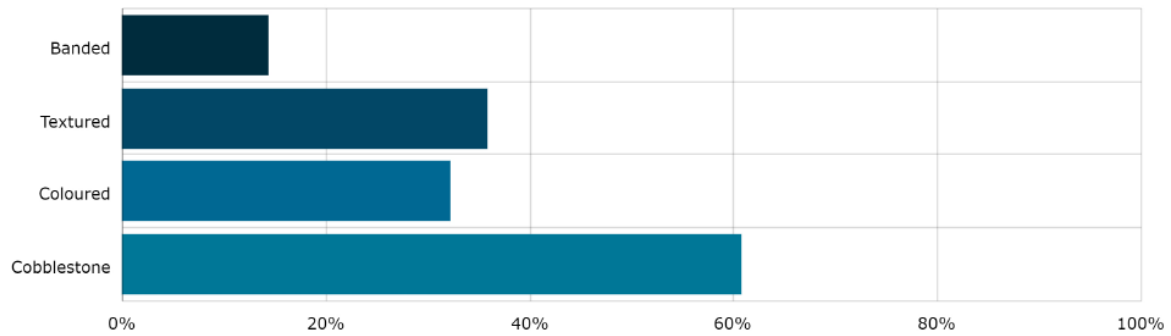


Answer choices	Percent	Count
Yes - coloured lighting	22.81%	13
No - ambient lighting only	77.19%	44
Total	100.00%	57

Paving

10. What kind of paving would you like to see in the space? Select 1-2 options. Required

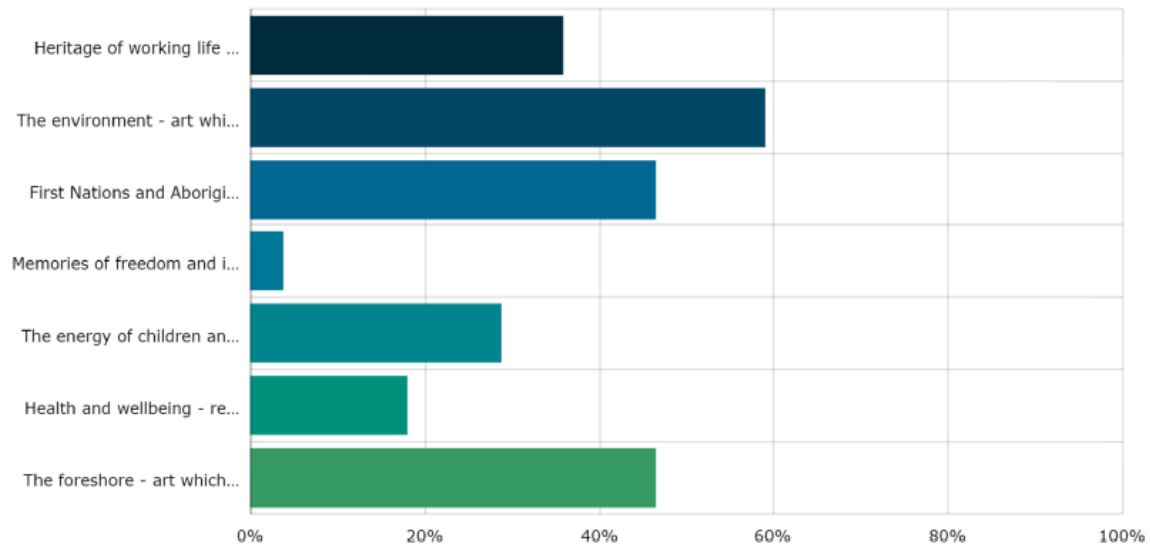
Multi Choice | Skipped: 1 | Answered: 56 (98.2%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Banded	14.29%	8
Textured	35.71%	20
Coloured	32.14%	18
Cobblestone	60.71%	34

Art themes

11. We'll be installing art in the space once construction has been completed. Which of the below themes would you like the art to represent? Select up to 3 options. These themes have been taken from Council's Public Art Plan.
Multi Choice | Skipped: 1 | Answered: 56 (98.2%)



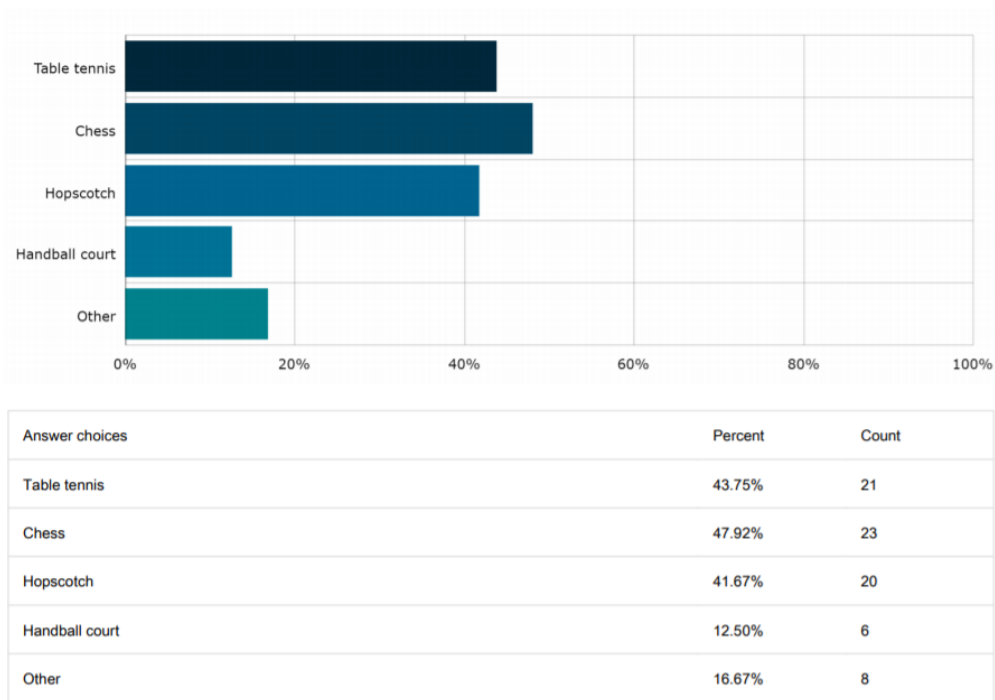
Answer choices	Percent	Count
Heritage of working life - art which celebrates the industrial history of our City	35.71%	20
The environment - art which has a strong connection to the natural environment	58.93%	33
First Nations and Aboriginal art - art which celebrates the Wangal people and recognises their connection to the land and river	46.43%	26
Memories of freedom and incarceration - art which draws on the City's convict history	3.57%	2
The energy of children and young people - art which celebrates youth and brings a sense of vitality to the space	28.57%	16
Health and wellbeing - recognition of the connection between the arts and health	17.86%	10
The foreshore - art which celebrates our foreshore and the opportunities it brings for recreation, sport and transport	46.43%	26

F. Church Street survey results

Play options

1. Which of the following play options would you like to see in the space? Select up to 2 options.

Multi Choice | Skipped: 2 | Answered: 48 (96%)

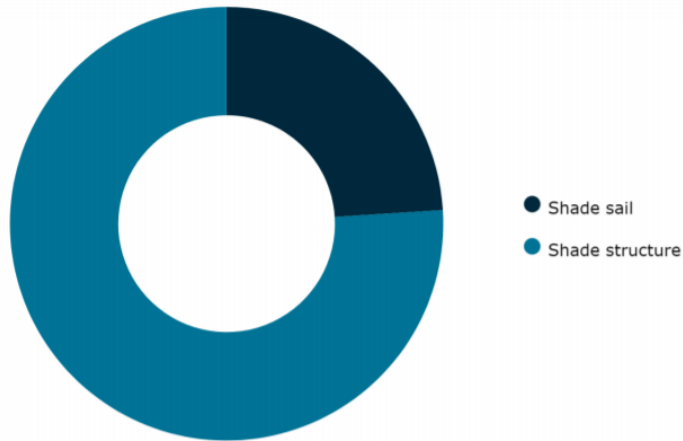


Other suggestions for play options include:

- None, too noisy (4)
- Foosball (2)
- Jungle gym/play equipment

Shade

2. What type of shade protection should be included in the space? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 50 (100%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Shade sail	24.00%	12
Shade structure	76.00%	38
Total	100.00%	50

Feature wall

3. What kind of feature wall would you like to see in the space? Required
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 50 (100%)

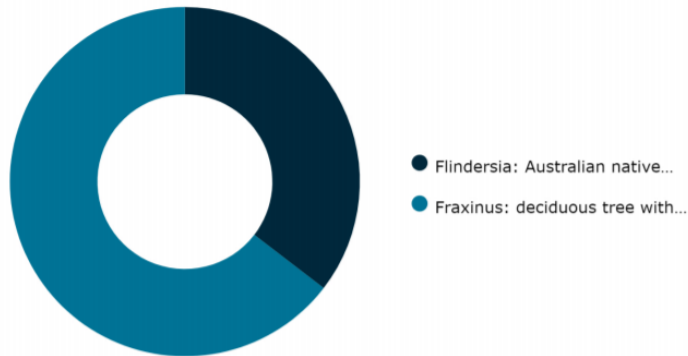


Answer choices	Percent	Count
Trellis	62.00%	31
Art mural	38.00%	19
Total	100.00%	50

Trees (colour)

4. Which type of tree do you prefer in terms of the colour it will bring to the space?

Multi Choice | Skipped: 2 | Answered: 48 (96%)

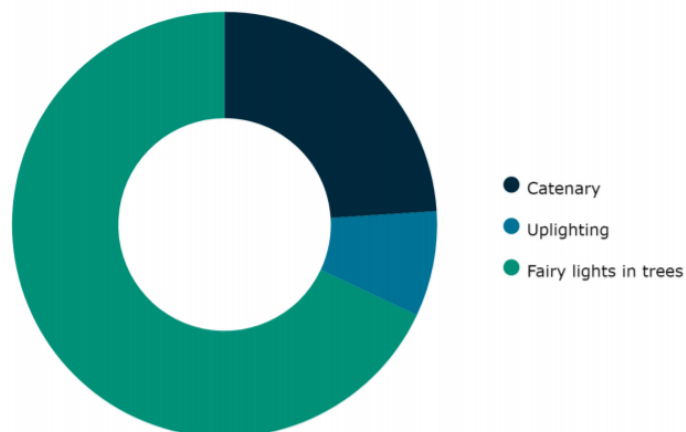


Answer choices	Percent	Count
Flindersia: Australian native with cream flowers	35.42%	17
Fraxinus: deciduous tree with red leaves in Autumn	64.58%	31
Total	100.00%	48

Lighting

5. What type of lighting would you like to see in the space?

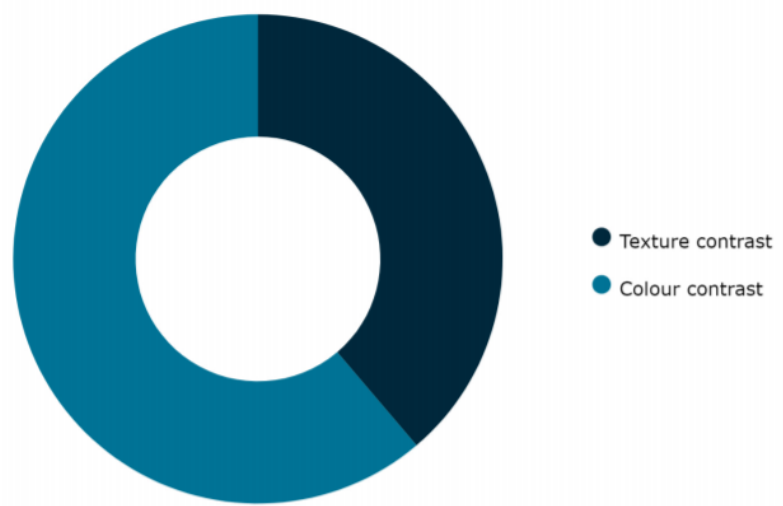
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 50 (100%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Catenary	24.00%	12
Uplighting	8.00%	4
Fairy lights in trees	68.00%	34
Total	100.00%	50

Paving

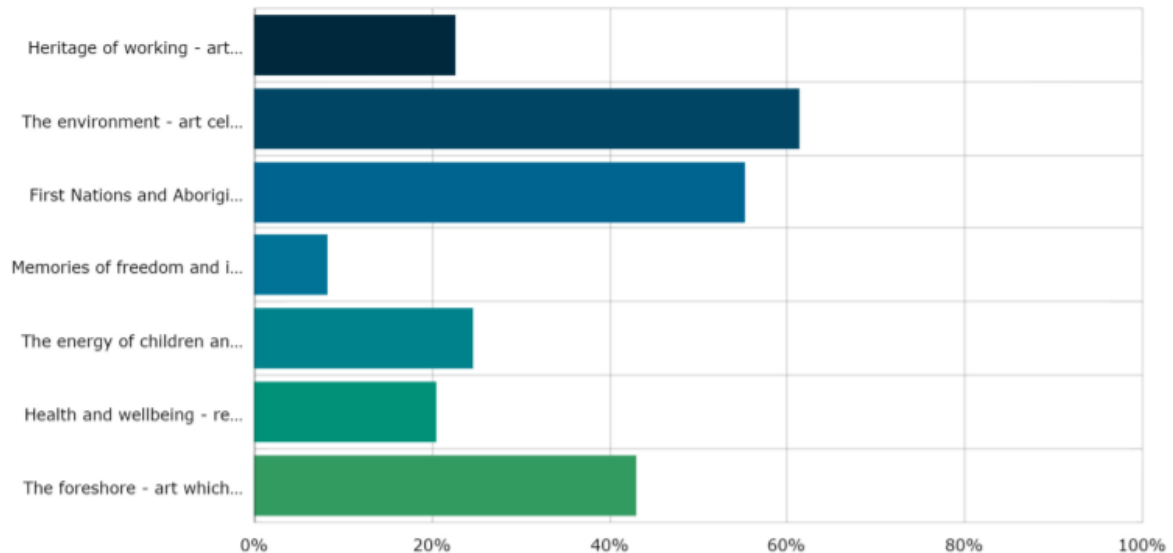
6. What type of paving would you like to see in the space?
Multi Choice | Skipped: 1 | Answered: 49 (98%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Texture contrast	38.78%	19
Colour contrast	61.22%	30
Total	100.00%	49

Art themes

7. We'll be installing art in the space once construction has been completed. Which of the below themes would you like the art to represent? Select up to 3 options. These themes have been taken from Council's Public Art Plan.
Multi Choice | Skipped: 1 | Answered: 49 (98%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Heritage of working - art which celebrates the industrial history of our City	22.45%	11
The environment - art celebrates or has a strong connection to the natural environment	61.22%	30
First Nations and Aboriginal Art - art which celebrates the Wangal people and recognises their connection to the land and river	55.10%	27
Memories of freedom and incarceration - art which draws on the City's convict history	8.16%	4
The energy of children and young people - art which celebrates youth and brings a sense of vitality to the space	24.49%	12
Health and wellbeing - recognition of the connection between the arts and health	20.41%	10
The foreshore - art which celebrates our foreshore and the opportunities it brings for recreation, sport and transport	42.86%	21