

Livvi's Place Playground Upgrade

Consultation Report

December 2021

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Earlier this year Council applied for grant from the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) as part of the Everyone Can Play grant program to upgrade this space and ensure it continues to provide a quality play experience for all users. Everyone Can Play is a commitment by the NSW Government to create better and more inclusive play spaces across NSW.

- Pathway linkages between rubber snake shaped path and the bike path
- Replacing one sandpit with an inclusive play equipment item
- Upgrading the sand and water play area
- Installing new rubber softfall to reduce mulch and sand on the footpath
- Refurbishing two table settings to be more accessible
- Replacing the water bubbler with an accessible water refill station.

This consultation ran from 12 November – 13 December 2021.

- Collaborate project page: <https://collaborate.canadabay.nsw.gov.au/livvis-place>
- Notification letter distributed to approx. 1,625 residences
- Onsite posters
- Direct email to Inner West Mum's and Touched by Olivia
- Social media posts (2 x Facebook posts, 1 x Instagram post, 1 x Instagram story series)
- City of Canada Bay childcare centre newsletters

A detailed map of a coastal area in Newcastle, showing a grid of streets. A large portion of the land area is shaded in red, indicating the 'Notification area'. The red area is bounded by the coast to the east and south, and by various streets to the west and north. Streets labeled include: Hayley Street, Lee Avenue, Lyons Road, Burnet Avenue, Bath Avenue, Highlam Avenue, Dalhousie Avenue, Whittall Street, Nelson Street, Barclay Street, Hayley Marine Drive, Green Street, Great North Road, Innes Street, Moorath Avenue, Charles Street, McKinnon Avenue, Travellers Street, Levee Road, Levee Lane, Service Lane, Rodd Lane, Newcastle Street, West Street, East Street, Great North Road, Thompson Lane, Anglin Street, Great North Road, Newcastle Avenue, Hayley Marine Drive, and Great North Road. The map also shows the coast, water, and some green spaces.

Engagement methods

- Online survey
- Online brainstorm
- Feedback via phone, email and mail

Results

This consultation received 30 submissions from the community, broken down as follows:

- 27 x online survey submissions
- 3 x online brainstorm submissions
- 1 piece of feedback was submitted via email

See appendix B for more detail.

Survey

Preferred sand and water equipment

- 81.5% of respondents selected option 1



Option 1

Stainless steel water channels, ironbark timber or steel posts, sand bucket with pulley system



Option 2

Steel and high density plastic water channels, sand bucket with chain and pulley system

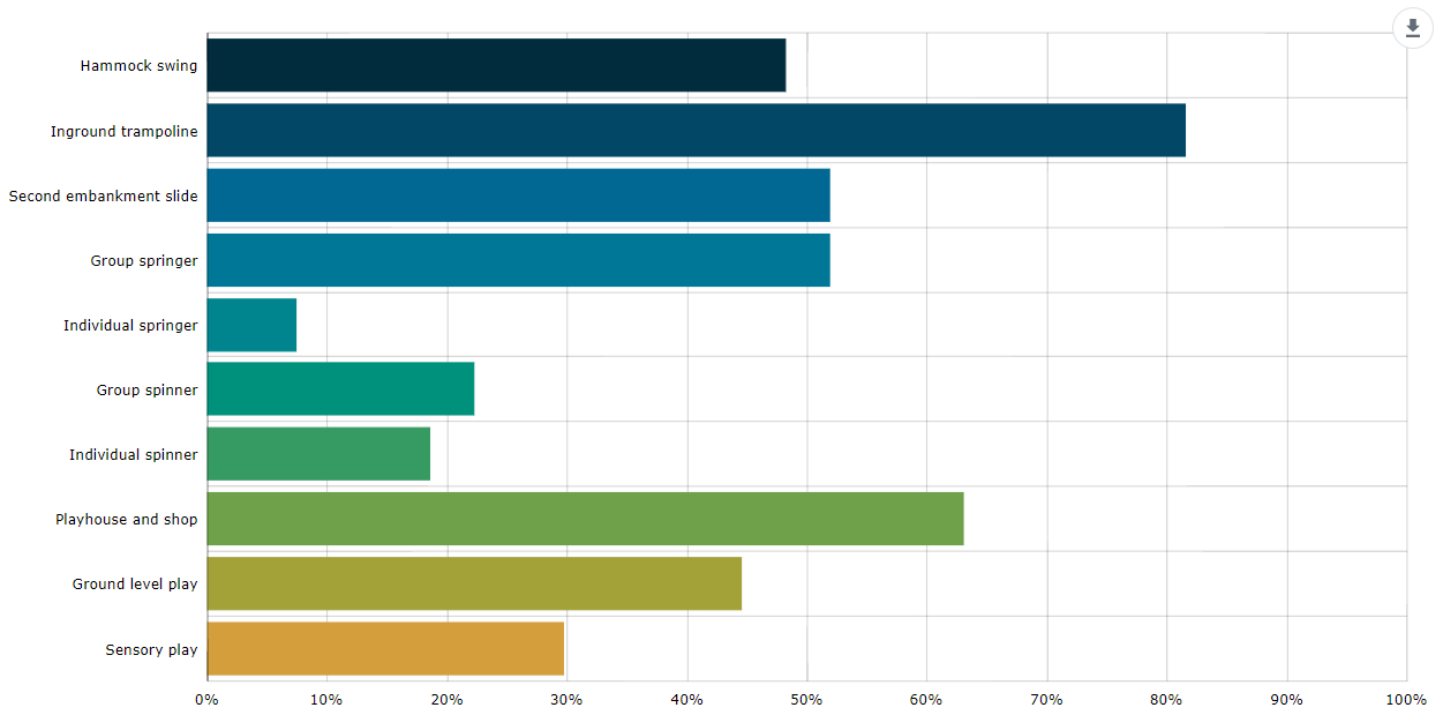
Preferred inclusive play equipment

The top 5 items selected were:

- Inground trampoline (81%)
- Playhouse and shop (63%)
- Group springer (52%)
- Second embankment slide (52%)
- Hammock swing (48%)

2 Vote for your preferred inclusive play equipment. Select up to 5 options. Required

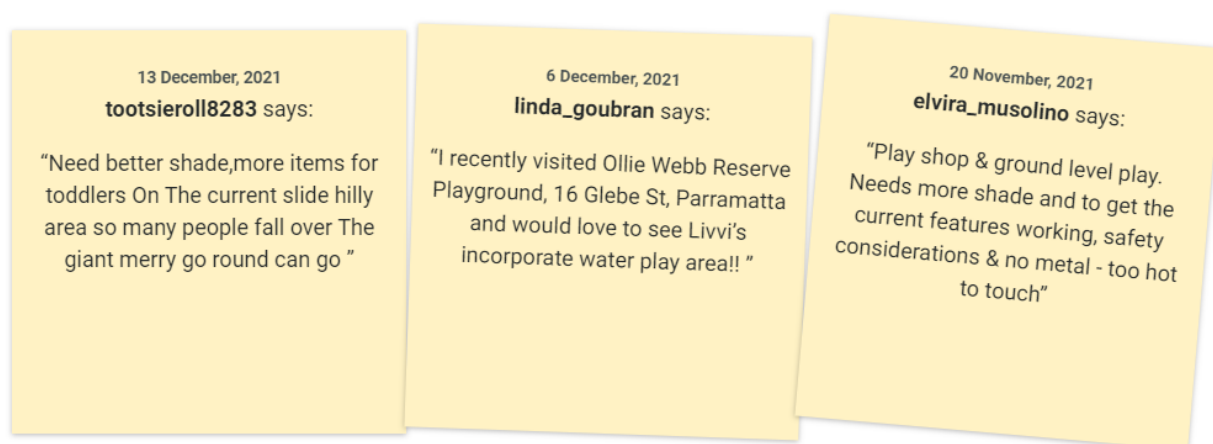
Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 27 (100%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Hammock swing	48.15%	13
Inground trampoline	81.48%	22
Second embankment slide	51.85%	14
Group springer	51.85%	14
Individual springer	7.41%	2
Group spinner	22.22%	6
Individual spinner	18.52%	5
Playhouse and shop	62.96%	17
Ground level play	44.44%	12
Sensory play	29.63%	8
Total	100.00%	27

Online brainstorm

3 suggestions were put forward through the online brainstorm, copied below.



Email

1 piece of feedback was submitted via email. Suggestions included:

- Repair mechanical roundabout
- More slides with covered twists and turns and safety mats for landing (references: Coney Island at Luna Park)
- Trampolines with safety nets
- More picnic tables and BBQs

Summary

This consultation revealed the community's clear preference for specific types of inclusive play equipment including an inground trampoline and playhouse and shop. The large majority of respondents selected the first sand and water play option which involves stainless steel water channels and iron or steel posts.

Safety is also highly important to the community, with a need for increased shade and seating areas mentioned a number of times.

Appendices

Appendix A: Notification methods

Notification letter



11 November, 2021

The Resident
Five Dock and Rodd Point NSW 2046

Dear Resident,

Accessibility upgrades at Livvi's Place Playground, Timbrell Park

As part of our commitment to our Let's All Play Strategy and with our recent Everyone Can Play Grant from the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment, Council is undertaking improvements to Livvi's Place Playground in Timbrell Park, Five Dock.

Everyone Can Play is a commitment by the NSW Government to the creation of better and more inclusive playspaces across NSW.

The \$110,000 upgrade will include:

- Pathway and furniture accessibility improvements
- Replacing one sandpit with inclusive play equipment items
- Upgrading the sand and water play area
- Installing new rubber softfall to improve pathway accessibility
- Replacing the water bubbler with an accessible water fountain/refill station.

As part of this grant, Council is asking for the community's input and we encourage you to vote for your preferred new inclusive play equipment options. Your feedback will help us decide on the final design and upgrade.

For more information and to have your say, visit collaborate.canadabay.nsw.gov.au/livvis-place before 3 December 2021. We will be seeking feedback on the entire playground in the future. Please click "follow" on the Collaborate page to stay up to date.

If you have any enquiries regarding this project please contact our Landscape Architect, Philippa Dunstan, on 9911 6280.

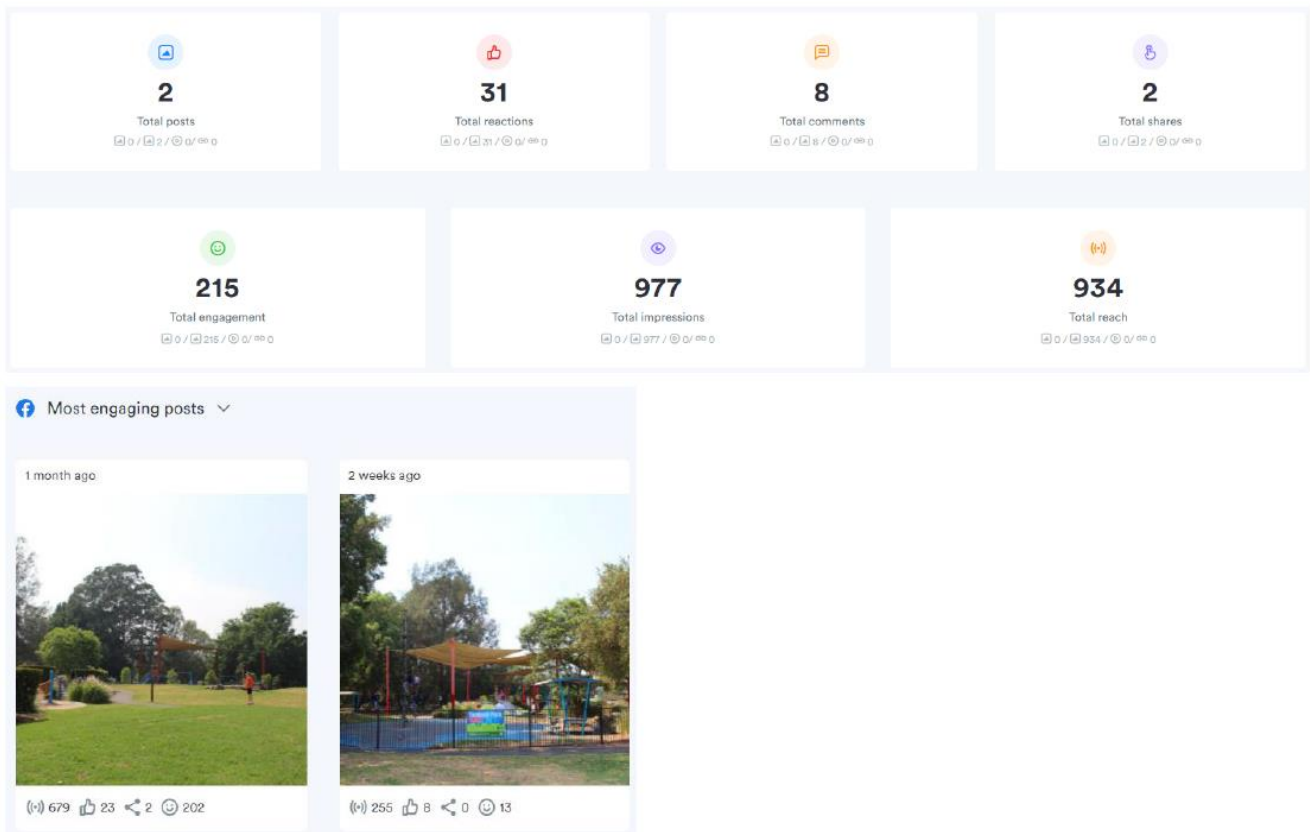
Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Clark".

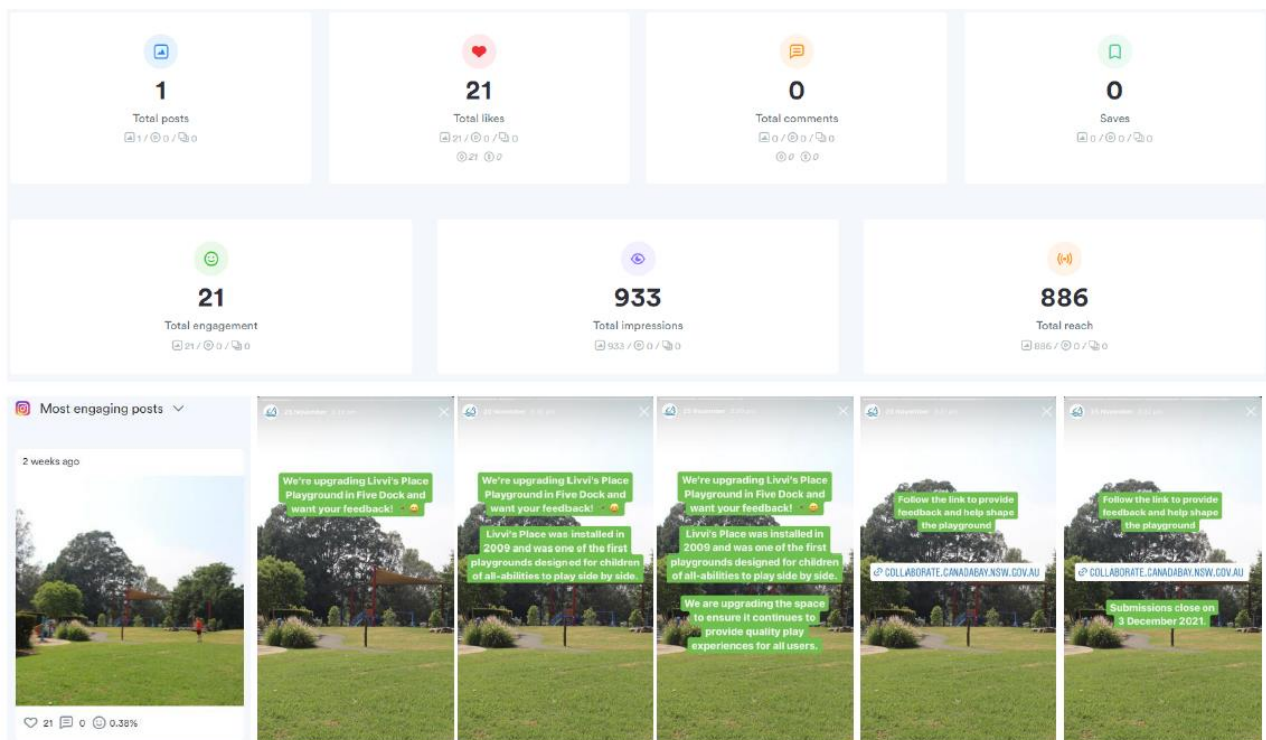
John Clark
General Manager

Social media posts

Facebook:



Instagram:



Total reach: 551

Appendix B: Collaborate page reach

443 Views	378 Visits	321 Visitors	30 Contributions	28 Contributors	17 Followers
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