

Ellen Grove Parks Precinct concept plan Community Engagement



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Stage 2 – Community Feedback

Brisbane City Council would like to thank you for your feedback on the Ellen Grove parks precinct draft concept plan. The stage 2 community engagement period was from 4 November to 1 December 2024 following the release of the draft concept plan. Council invited the community to have their say via an online feedback survey and/or attend one of the project information kiosks. Overall, more than 80 people attended the information kiosks and 144 feedback surveys submitted. Community feedback helped to inform the preparation of the final concept plan for the Ellen Grove parks precinct.

Key highlights – online feedback survey

- 144 feedback surveys submitted.
- Approximately 70% of survey respondents indicated they live within 2 km of the Ellen Grove parks precinct.
- Approximately 68% of survey respondents indicated their family includes up to 3 children.
- Most respondents indicated overall support for the proposed features in the draft concept plan with 121 of the 144 responses indicating 'strong support' or 'support' (approx. 84% of respondents)
- Fourteen respondents indicated little or no overall support (approx. 10% of respondents).
- The proposal of creating a green space that could be used for informal community gatherings or sport, was positively received with 109 of 144 respondents indicating they would likely use such a space.
- Over 70% of respondents believe the proposed clubhouse and kiosk would improve their visitor experience.
- When asked to rate what children's level of enjoyment might be for the different play opportunities, Active Play was rated the highest followed by Nature and Creative Play. Quiet Play was rated as the play type that would provide the least amount of enjoyment.
- Accessible pathways through the Ellen Grove District Park and Waterford Road Park can be expected to be well used with 136 of the 143 respondents indicating they would use the pathways for reasons like, exercise, getting around and walking dogs.

In-person engagement

- Council held 2 information kiosks providing the community the opportunity to speak with the project team, view the draft concept plan and provide feedback.



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- Approximately 80 people attended the kiosks, sharing their views on the draft concept plan.
- Most people attending the kiosks were in support of the draft concept plan and liked the idea of developing the vacant park area.
- Concerns were raised regarding stormwater runoff, increased traffic caused by park visitors and the need for more car parking to accommodate visitors to the new park.
- Several people advocated for space for their community group or organisation to be included in the concept plan.
- Questions were asked about what trees might need to be removed and how many.
- Some attendees shared they would like to see footpaths and car parking upgraded as part of this project.
- Improved parking and better traffic management needs to be considered with the increase in traffic (more people coming to the area when the concept plan is delivered).
- Better pathways and pedestrian crossings are needed in the area to make getting to the park easy.
- Consideration needs to be given to the impact of lights and light pollution (regarding the proposed tennis courts). Some attendees expressed the view that nighttime curfews will be needed for the lights and hours of play.
- Suggestions for additional elements to be considered included, waterplay and water activities, table tennis tables, a space for volleyball and more shade.