

Feedback Report: Carlson Reserve Multi-Sport Courts

PROJECT BACKGROUND

Carlson Reserve on Clayton Road has a sports field on the eastern half of the reserve and the western part of the reserve is an 'active recreation' area with two tennis courts, a playground, a community and an open space referred as the 'forecourt'.

The public tennis courts are in poor condition and have reached their end of life. This project, 'Carlson Reserve Multi-Sport Courts', will be a major improvement and a key active recreation hub for Clayton. The new courts will be used for tennis, netball, basketball and futsal.

The [2018 Monash Open Space Strategy](#) highlighted the lack of open space in Clayton. 'Clayton is a priority precinct to undertake improvements or additions of open space provision'. The Clayton area has less than 0.6 hectares per 1000 people. Carlson Reserve also borders a 'Special Use Zone' comprising industrial and employment land to the north-east of the reserve.

The recommendation for improved open space was further strengthened in the [Monash Active Recreation Opportunity Strategy \(2021\)](#) where Carlson Reserve was listed as one of seven 'priority one', 'key active recreation sites' recommended for development.

Council sought ideas and feedback from the local community for a new multi-sports court at **Carlson Reserve, Clayton**.

A concept plan was prepared for community consultation. Construction of the site to be undertaken in 2022-23.

Carlson Reserve Redevelopment has been broken into three stages.

Stage 1

Stage one is the construction of a Neighbourhood Standard playground in 2021-22 at Carlson Reserve, Clayton.

Stage 2

Stage two is revitalising the land freed up by the demolition of the old scout hall as a landscaped forecourt area which will provide additional family social recreation opportunities.

Stage 3

Stage three is to upgrade the existing two public tennis courts to multi-purpose courts and associated sports lighting which is approaching the end of its useful life.

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of the engagement is to consult with Councillors and local residents to seek their level of support and feedback for the proposed concept plan for Carlson Reserve Multi-Sport Courts.

- Inform Councillors and the community of the concept design that has been prepared for the site via Shape Monash website
- Promote engagement opportunities to provide feedback on the concept design during 8 December – 21 December 2021 via Information update/flyer to Councillors and local residents within 400 metre radius of the reserve via an information update flyer distributed on 8 December 2021, and online survey.

SUMMARY OF ENGAGEMENT

Methods used	Stakeholders	Dates
Shape Monash Survey – Have you say Concept Design	Local Residents within a 400 meter radius of the reserve 5 responses received.	8 December 2021 – 21 December 2021

SUMMARY OF HAVE YOUR SAY CONCEPT DESIGN ENGAGEMENT

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There were 5 respondents to the survey. Of those that told us their gender, 20% were women or girls and 80% were men or boys.

Out of those 5 surveys, 2 respondents provided their feedback via email and 3 via the online survey on Shape Monash.

One respondent suggested to add a separate half basketball court with a hoop so as not to impede the high frequency use of people playing tennis on most days and evenings. The other resident reinforced the construction of a hit up wall for tennis as well as the inclusion of a basketball court.

A concept plan for the multi-sport courts was presented by flyer and on the Shape Monash website.

The survey asked 3 questions about the Carlson Reserve Multi-Sport Courts concept plan:

- As a local resident, how would you interact with this new facility?
- What design features are you most likely to use or enjoy?
- What design features would you like to see that are not on the concept plan?

Summary of Online Survey Feedback

We asked	You said	We did
As a local resident, how would you interact with this new facility?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 33% of respondents said that they will use the courts for the sports listed. 67% of respondents said they will be using the reserve but not necessarily the courts 0% of respondents said they will be spectating at times 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Responses noted
What design features are you most likely to use or enjoy?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 tennis courts Walking and BBQ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two tennis courts will remain, however, there will be other sporting opportunities across the courts. Including: netball, basketball and futsal. Pathways will be included in stages 1 & 2. More paths will be introduced in future works packages throughout the reserve. A BBQ will be installed as part of stage 1
What design features would you like to see that are not on the concept plan?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A badminton court and ping pong table The fence on the Clayton Rd side to be as high as possible to avoid tennis balls to land on Clayton Rd for new players. Also the plants/bushes between the court Walking path and BBQ. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A ping pong table will be installed as part of the landscaping working completed in stage 2 The fence along Clayton will be 3.6m black chain link fencing. Pathways will be included in stages 1 & 2. More paths will be introduced in future works packages throughout the reserve. A BBQ will be installed as part of stage 1

Summary of Email Feedback

We asked	You said	We did
We welcome your feedback on the draft concept plan which of the multi-purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add a separate half basketball court with a hoop so as not to impede the high frequency use 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This feedback was sent before the flyers was distributed. The response was: 'We encouraged the resident to attend the community

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courts which includes tennis, half-court basketball court, futsal court, half-court netball.	<p>of people playing tennis on most days and evenings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reinforced the construction of a hit up wall for tennis as well as the inclusion of a basketball court 	consultation and provide feedback about the concept design’.

Engagement methodology

Project Stage	Engagement Level & Objective	Stakeholders	Method	Who & Where	Key dates
Engagement – Have your say Concept Design	Consult	Residents	Information update/flyer Website Online and hard copy survey	Local Residents within a 400 meter radius of the reserve	8 December 2021 – 17 December 2021

Promotion and notification

Have your say – Draft Concept Flyer (distributed 8 December)



8 December 2021

Carlson Reserve – Multi-Sport Courts

Carlson Reserve, Clayton

Have your say - Draft concept plan

Council is planning to upgrade the public tennis courts at Carlson Reserve, Clayton to create new and improved free public multi-sport hard courts for community use.

The redevelopment of the courts is part of a three-staged project which will revitalise and expand the public open space at Carlson Reserve, to enhance family and social recreation opportunities.

We have put together a draft concept plan of the multi-purpose hard courts and the proposed line-marking and would like to hear your thoughts on what we have proposed. Please turn over the page to see the draft concept plan.

The line markings/sports we propose to include in the design include:

- Tennis
- Half-court basketball
- Futsal soccer court
- Half-court netball.

The courts will also include upgraded LED sports lighting and there will be a timer on the sportground lights in the evenings, as there has been with the current tennis courts. The courts will remain a free public facility, with no bookings required.

We welcome your feedback on what is proposed. Please provide your feedback by Friday 17 December 2021:

- Online survey at phase.monash.vic.gov.au/carlson-reserve
- By emailing Kate Dunlop at recreation@monash.vic.gov.au

The Carlson Reserve Park Revitalisation project also includes the construction of a new playspace and the revitalisation of the forecourt area freed up by the demolition of the old scout hall. More information can be found at the above web link.

Thank you in advance to those who provide feedback – it will help ensure that we deliver a project that is valued by the local community.

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Appendix 1: Full summary of Have your say – Concept Design stakeholder responses

Online Survey

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What design features would you like to see that are not on the concept plan?
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A badminton court and ping pong table• The fence on the Clayton Rd side to be as high as possible to avoid tennis balls to land on Clayton Rd for new players. Also the plants/bushes between the court• Walking path and BBQ.

Email Feedback

We welcome your feedback on the draft concept plan which of the multi-purpose courts which includes tennis, half-court basketball court, futsal court, half-court netball.
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