

Feedback Summary Report: Argyle Reserve Playground

PROJECT BACKGROUND

This Feedback Summary Report has been compiled following the conclusion of two stages of community engagement for the Argyle Reserve Playspace Upgrade.

Argyle Reserve boasts an open space for exercise, a playspace, a dog off-leash area, modern sports pavilion, seating, drinking fountains and toilets.

As part of the Monash Playground and Playspace Strategy 2020-2025, Council is upgrading the existing playspace at the reserve.

This site is considered a local playspace, which is catered for residents living within 500 metres. Local playspaces include 5 to 8 items of play equipment for younger age groups up to primary school age. Local playspaces are usually only used by residents from nearby streets who spend up to an hour per visit. Amenities are generally limited to bench seating and accessibility features.

Construction of the new playspace is scheduled to take place in the 2024-25 financial year.

ENGAGEMENT APPROACH

Stage 1 of consultation, seeking ideas and feedback from the local community for the new playground at Argyle Reserve, took place from 19 June – 23 July 2023.

A draft concept plan incorporating the community's ideas was then developed, with Stage 2 of consultation taking place from 15 November – 10 December 2023.

The community was informed of, and engaged with, about both stages of the consultation process in the following ways:

- Information flyers mailed to local residents within a 400-metre radius of the reserve
- Online surveys via Council's Shape Monash platforms
- Council's social media pages
- Onsite consultation session with Council staff held at Argyle Reserve
- Internal e-bulletin to Councillors

SUMMARY OF ENGAGEMENT

Methods used	Stakeholders	Dates
e-bulletin	Councillors	Stage 1: 9 June 2023 Stage 2: 17 November 2023
Stage 1: Shape Monash Survey – Have Your Say	Local residents within a 400 metre radius of the reserve. 39 responses received 1 responses received by email	19 June – 23 July 2023
Onsite community consultation	Local residents within a 400 metre radius of the reserve. 1 resident attended	18 July 2023
Stage 2: Shape Monash Survey – Concept Design	Local residents within a 400 metre radius of the reserve. 7 responses received 2 responses received by email	15 November – 10 December 2023

STAGE 1 – SUMMARY OF HAVE YOUR SAY ENGAGEMENT

Who we heard from

There were 39 respondents to the online survey. Of those that told us their gender 63 per cent were women or girls, 12 per cent were men or boys and 2 per cent preferred not to say. Respondents were also asked to list their age group, and from those who completed this data, 38.5 per cent were adults, 36 per cent were pre-school or younger, 23 per cent were primary school age and 2.5 per cent were teenagers.

We asked two questions about the Argyle Reserve Playground:

- Which play elements would work best?
- Is there anything you would like to tell us about this playground or its location?

The following themes were categorised as to what residents would like to see within the reserve:

Summary of feedback from Have Your Say responses on Shape Monash

We asked	You said	We did
Which play elements would work best?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swings • Elevated structures/Climbing equipment • Nature play • Slides 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 bay swing set • Timber play set which includes slides and climbing equipment. • Nature play based on boulders and garden beds.

<p>Is there anything you would like to tell us about this playground or its location?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Try not to make every playground look so angular • Fencing to keep the dogs away from children • Security / safety from carpark (close proximity) • Consider other council playgrounds for good comparisons • Addition of Shade and picnic areas • Fitness equipment and teenage activities 	<p>Thanks for your comments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - This playground has been designed to soften the area of play. - Fences around playspaces within reserves are not considered standard and are not included in playground upgrade budgets and designs. Council does not support enclosure of playspaces with fencing as it can reduce accessibility. - We have increased planting close to the roads and carparking to provide a safer space. - The allocated budget does not extend past the design that already incorporates a social area. - Argyle Reserve is a local level playground and the allocated budget does not extend to fitness equipment and teenage activities.
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To see the full community responses, please refer to Appendix 1 on page 18.

Summary of feedback from onsite consultation

We asked	You said	We did
Which play elements would work best?	N/A	N/A
Is there anything you would like to tell us about this playground or its location?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider a fence to keep dogs out. 	Argyle Reserve is a local level playground and the allocated budget and scope does not extend to fencing.

Summary of feedback from resident email

We asked	You said	We did
Which play elements would work best?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep the big rope swing More swings Fitness Equipment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added a scramble net and log climbing unit Added a 3 bay swing set that incorporates a nest swing
Is there anything you would like to tell us about this playground or its location?	N/A	N/A

STAGE 2 – SUMMARY OF DRAFT CONCEPT ENGAGEMENT

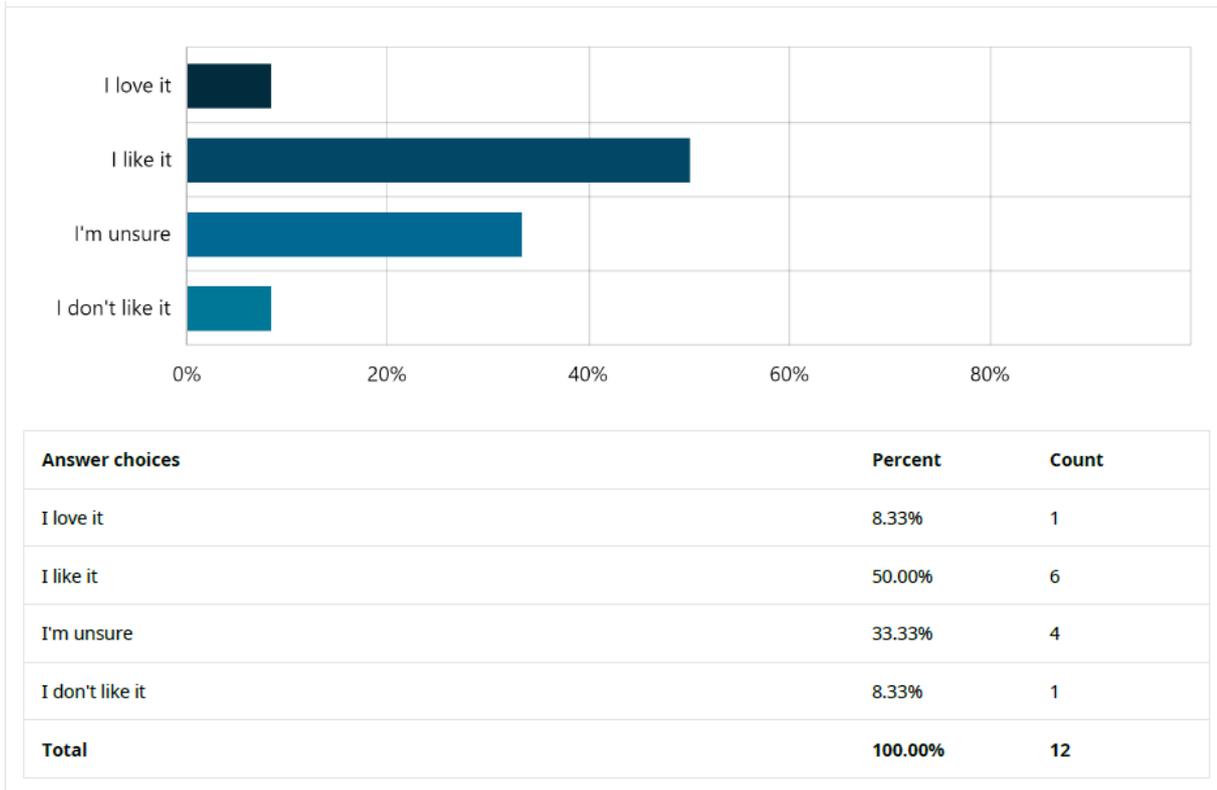
There were 12 respondents to the draft concept plan survey on the Shape Monash platform, and one emailed response. The Shape Monash page saw 39 visitors over the engagement period.

Summary of feedback via email

Your feedback	Our response
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Missing from monash council play area is shading. • Our daughter has eczema and we need shade. • We had resorted to go to Glen Eira council and Stonington council play area with has shading, climbing and balancing incorporated into the play equipment. • Plus the equipment are built with lots of wood which is nicer than metal on hot & cold days. • Do not put in metal slides that is hot to touch and way too high for younger kids to play , like the terribly designed Warrawee Park Playground. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We appreciate that you have taken time to share your thoughts and experiences of the play equipment at various playspaces at Glen Eira Council and Stonington Council and thank you for the suggestion for Council to consider installing similar play structures at Argyle Reserve playspace with wood elements and to not include a metal slide. • We appreciate all feedback from the community, and I will be sure to send your suggestion to our Project team for consideration. As with all great suggestions, budget impacts what Council can or cannot implement. • We hope that you and your family will enjoy the new playspace once it has been redeveloped.

Question 1 – How do you/your child feel about the draft concept plan for Argyle Reserve?

Over half of respondents (58 per cent) either loved or liked the draft concept design, 33 per cent of respondents were unsure about the draft concept and 8 per cent of respondents stated they did not like the draft concept plan.



Question 2 – Why do you feel that way?

10 of the 12 respondents responded to this question.

Many respondents were positive on the proposed features and play elements, with some happy to see an upgrade to the space for their children to play.

Those that were unsure or did not like the draft concept plan felt the space could have tried to accommodate for an older age of kids with inclusions of a basketball facility and more shade.

The responses also included feedback and queries on the design, which we have included in full in the appendix on page 21. Some common themes are addressed below.

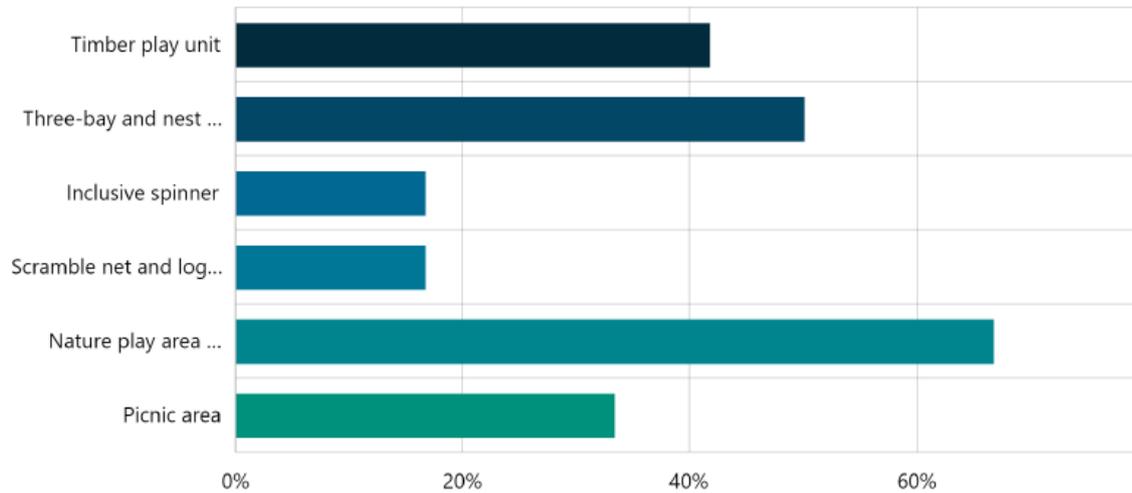
Theme	Community comments	Our response
Shade	<i>“There are no specific shaded areas outlined in the plan provided which is a concern, this area is prone to getting direct sunlight most of the day.”</i>	<i>Thanks for the comments, these have been considered in the final design. The area has natural shade with the surrounding tree lines. No extra shade has</i>

		<i>been allocated within the budget.</i>
Additional play equipment		<p><i>Thanks for the comments, these have been considered in the final design.</i></p> <p><i>A basketball and soccer field/space are out of scope for this project and not within the allocated budget, but your feedback has been passed onto the appropriate team.</i></p>

To see the full community responses, please refer to Appendix 2 on page 21.

Question 3. What are your/your child's favourite elements on the draft concept plan?

The three key favourite play elements from respondents are nature play area, three-bay and nest swing and timber play unit. Other favourites included picnic area and inclusive spinner.



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Timber play unit	41.67%	5
Three-bay and nest swings	50.00%	6
Inclusive spinner	16.67%	2
Scramble net and log climbing unit	16.67%	2
Nature play area with balancing beams, pole unit and log steppers	66.67%	8
Picnic area	33.33%	4

Question 4 – Is there anything about the draft concept plan you’d like to change or anything else you’d like to see included?

Many respondents had suggestions on what they’d like to see changed or added in the final concept design.

These responses have been categorised into the following themes and addressed below:

Theme	Community comments	Our response
Additional play equipment	<i>“Our daughter would like to see animal figurines/statues, a wall climbing area and a sandpit included in the playground.”</i>	<i>Thanks for the comments, these have been considered in the final design.</i>

		<i>Statues and a climbing wall are not within the allocated budget for this project.</i>
Other facilities	<p><i>“To add bbqs in the social area”</i></p> <p><i>“Needs toilets. The club house toilets are always closed”</i></p>	<p><i>Thanks for the comments, these have been considered in the final design.</i></p> <p><i>A BBQ and public toilet was out of scope for this project as they are not within the budget allocated for this project.</i></p>
Safety	<p><i>“The playground definitely needs to be fenced. Argyle reserve has a large portion that is an off leash dog park, and there’s regularly brushes between over excited kids and dogs (usually due to a child running out of the playground and onto the oval)</i></p> <p><i>A fence would greatly assist in keeping separation and safety, similar to the playground at elsternwick park that’s fenced in to keep kids and dogs separate and safe from each other. Adding a fence to the rest of the oval would be fantastic as well for the dog park portion of the park”</i></p> <p><i>“At present, the seats and table are located close to the Sports Pavilion and are able to be used at night due to the Pavilion lights. The table is regularly used by groups of people at night to eat the</i></p>	<p>Fences around playspace within reserves are not considered standard and are not included in the budgets and designs for the playground upgrades. Council generally does not provide fencing to playspaces and relies on buffer planting and set-backs to provide separation to play spaces. This allows for accessibility to the play spaces and the overall park in general. Dogs are required to be on lead within 20m of a playground.</p> <p><i>Thanks for the comments, these concerns will be reviewed and take into consideration in the final design.</i></p>

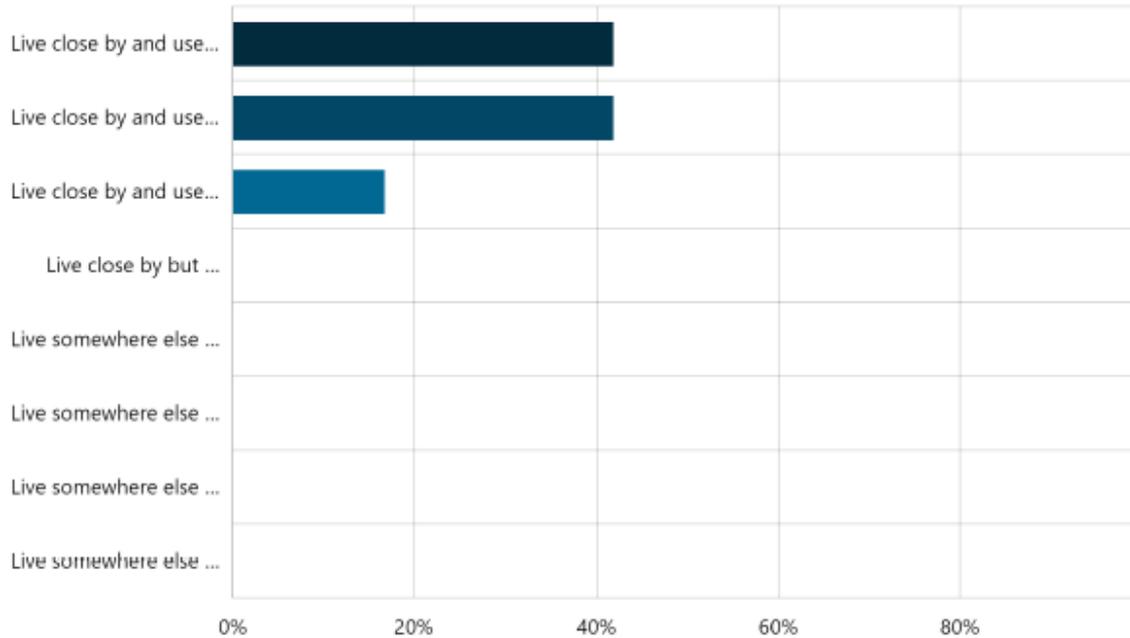


	<p><i>food they have purchased at the nearby McDonalds or to gather and drink.</i></p> <p><i>I live opposite the playground and my bedroom window is at the front of the house.</i></p> <p><i>I am often disturbed late at night and was hoping that as the design guidelines outlined above state that picnic areas are not included, that the table and seats could be moved away from the light, therefore limiting use after dark.</i></p> <p><i>As the Sports Pavilion toilets are not open on the weekend, we often witness men urinating in and around the playground area, at the back of the Sports Pavilion which is in full view of the houses that face the park, one of them being mine. I'm not sure how to solve this problem but appreciate the opportunity to let you know."</i></p>	
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To see the full community responses, please refer to Appendix 3 on page 22.

Question 5 – What’s your connection to Argyle Reserve?

Many of the respondents live close by to Argyle Reserve and use it every day, live close by and use it every week, or live close by and use it a few times a month or less.



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Live close by and use it every day	41.67%	5
Live close by and use it every week by not every day	41.67%	5
Live close by and use it a few times a month or less	16.67%	2
Live close by but rarely or never use it	0%	0
Live somewhere else and use it every day	0%	0
Live somewhere else and use it every week by not every day	0%	0
Live somewhere else and use it a few times a month or less	0%	0
Live somewhere else but rarely or never use it	0%	0
Total	100.00%	12

Question 6 – Do you have any further feedback on the draft concept plan?

We heard from some respondents on additional ideas for the concept plan.

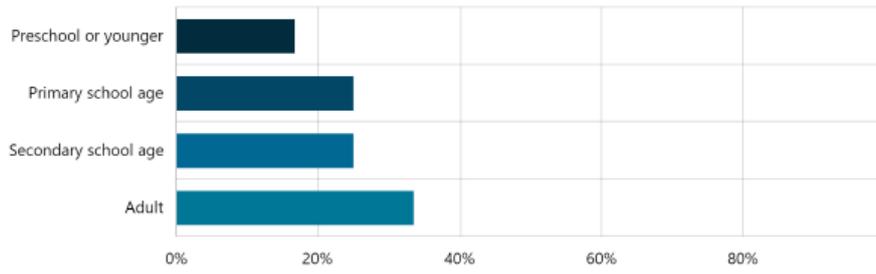
These responses have been categorised into the following themes and addressed below:

Theme	Community comments	Our response
Other facilities	<i>“Whilst it’s understood and appreciated the primary objective of this project is to provide more play space for children, it would be great if the overall aesthetics of the area could also be considered with boundary garden beds ... and potentially a range of gym/exercise equipment installed to aid improved adult health”</i>	<i>Thanks for the comment, your feedback has been passed onto the appropriate team.</i> <i>Current scope at Argyle Reserve playspace upgrade does not cover gym/exercise equipment, as this is not within the budget allocated. Part of Active Recreation Opportunities Strategy has opportunity for future council funded fitness station and landscape buffer treatment for Argyle Reserve.</i>

To see the full community responses, please refer to Appendix 4 on page 23.

Your age group

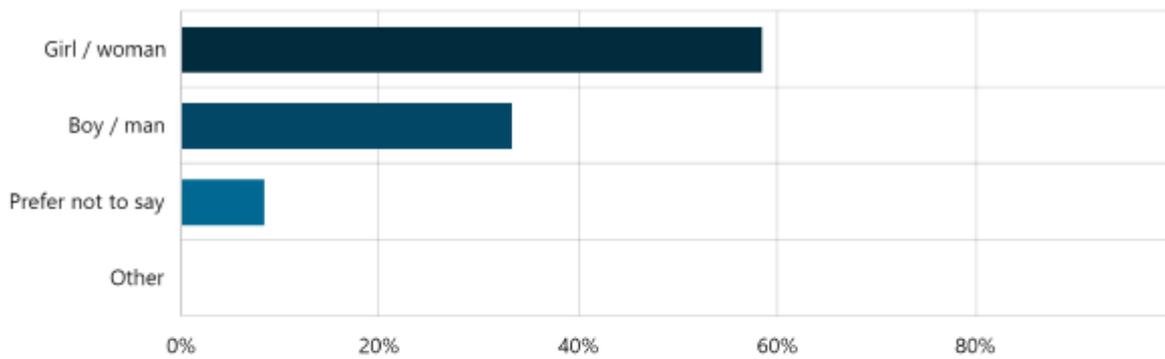
The largest representative age group of respondents was adults, followed by primary and secondary school age groups.



Answer choices	Percent	Count
Preschool or younger	16.67%	2
Primary school age	25.00%	3
Secondary school age	25.00%	3
Adult	33.33%	4
Total	100.00%	12

Your Gender

The largest representative gender of respondents was women and girls.

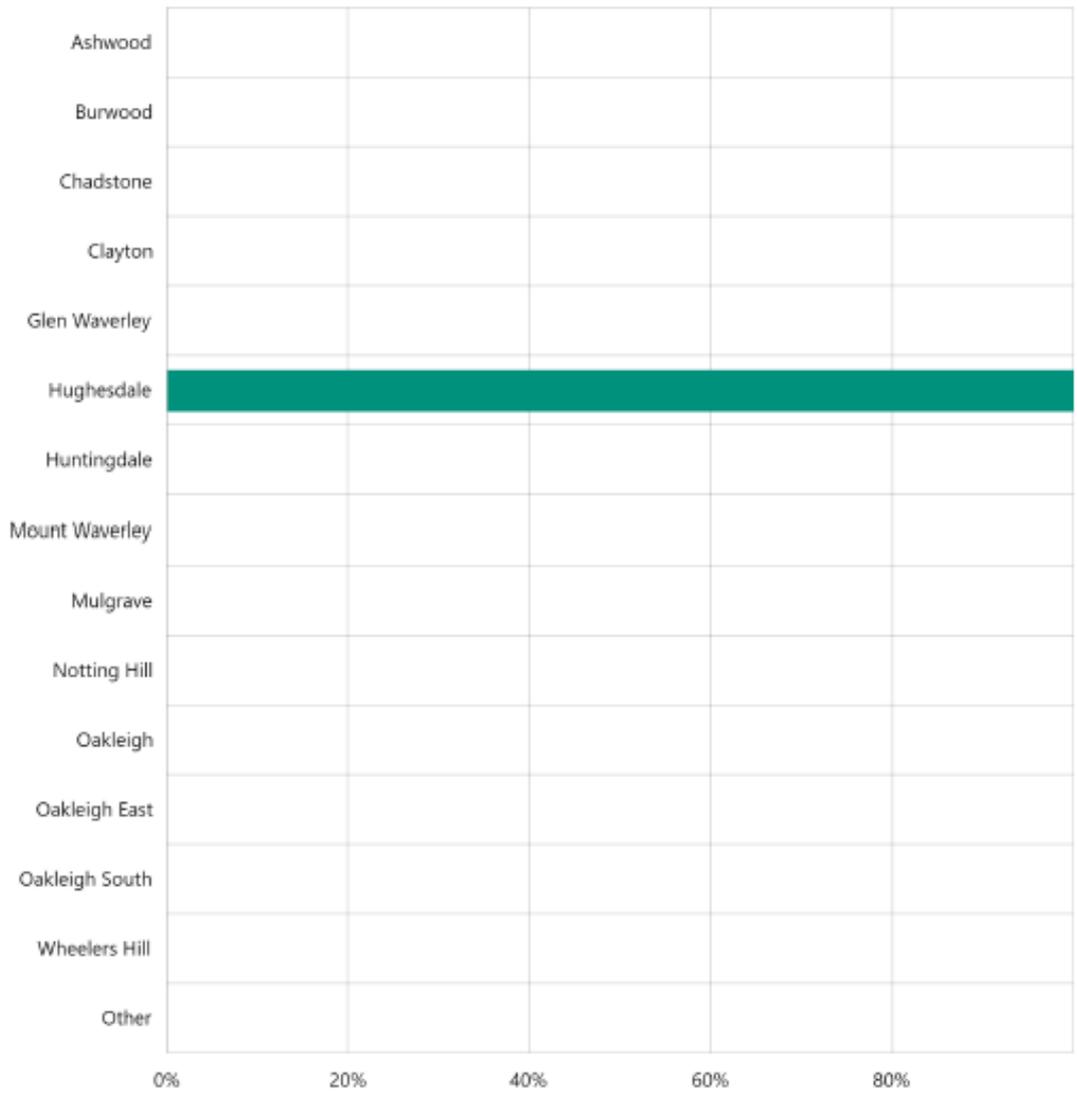


Answer choices	Percent	Count
Girl / woman	58.33%	7
Boy / man	33.33%	4
Prefer not to say	8.33%	1
Other	0%	0
Total	100.00%	12



Your suburb

All respondents were from Hughesdale, in Monash.



ENGAGEMENT METHODOLOGY

Project Stage	Engagement Level & Objective	Stakeholders	Method	Who & Where	Key dates
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Engagement	Consult	Councillors	e-Bulletin	Project team Communications Team	9 June 2023 17 November 2023
Engagement – stage 1 Have Your Say	Consult	Local Residents within a 400- metre radius of the reserve	Information update/flyer Website Online and hard copy survey	Project team Communications Team	19 June – 23 July 2023
Engagement – stage 1 Have your Say	Involve	Local Residents within a 400- metre radius of the reserve	Onsite Community Consultation Session held at Playground	Project team Comms team	Tuesday 18 July
Engagement – stage 2 Concept Design	Consult	Local Residents within a 400- metre radius of the reserve	Information update/flyer Website Online and hard copy survey	Project team Comms team	15 November – 10 December
Inform of Construction Commencement	Inform	Local Residents within a 400- metre radius of the reserve	Information update/flyer Website	Project team Comms team	2024-2025

PROMOTION AND NOTIFICATION

Have your Say – Flyer (distributed 12 June 2023) & Monash Facebook Post 12-23 July



We are building a new playspace in your neighbourhood

Argyle Reserve, Hughesdale

We are upgrading your local playspace at Argyle Reserve. Before we start designing the new playground, we want to hear from the people who use it.

Is there something you especially want to see changed or retained? Is there something about the site that might be significant for the theme or look of the new design?

Visit our engagement platform Shape Monash for more information, to answer some questions, give your ideas or even submit your own design.

How to participate

- Visit Shape Monash or scan the QR code: shape.monash.vic.gov.au/playspace-2024-25
- Chat with Council officers on-site at Argyle Reserve on **Tuesday 18 July, 4pm - 4.30pm**
- Request a printed copy of the survey to be mailed to you by contacting the Recreation team
- Consultation closes **Sunday 23 July 2023**.

We especially welcome the views of any children or young people in your household.

Need to get in touch?

If you have any questions, please contact us:

- By emailing recreation@monash.vic.gov.au
- By calling the Recreation team on 9518 3555.



We look forward to hearing your ideas and thank you for your feedback. Together we can create a wonderful space.

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The first stage of our 2024/25 playspace consultations is closing soon on Sunday 23 July.... See more



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Thank you to all the community members who have donned their puffer jackets to attend the on-site pop-ups for our 2024/25 playspace upgrades!

Our 2024/25 playspace upgrade consultations are closing this week. Please make sure to submit your feedback by Sunday 23 July.

<https://shape.monash.vic.gov.au/playspace-2024-25>

- 📍 Princes Highway Reserve, Oakleigh East
- 📍 Westbrook Reserve, Chadstone
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- 📍 Argyle Reserve, Hughesdale
- 📍 Orchard Street Reserve, Glen Waverley



Concept Design – Flyer (distributed 14 November 2023)



We are building a new playspace in your neighbourhood

Argyle Reserve, Hughesdale

Earlier this year, we sought your ideas and feedback for a new local-level playspace at Argyle Reserve, Hughesdale.

We have incorporated some of the community's ideas into an exciting draft concept plan which we are now seeking feedback on. We want to make this a fun and engaging place and we hope you like what we've put forward.

Please turn over this page to see the draft concept plan. The proposed key play elements are:

- Timber play unit
- Scramble net and log climbing unit
- Inclusive spinner
- Three-bay and nest swings.

Other elements of the project will include:

- Garden beds and landscaping.
- Nature play area with balancing beams and log steppers.

Please provide your feedback before **Sunday 10 December 2023**.

How to participate

- Scan the QR code or visit shape.monash.vic.gov.au/playspace-2024-25



We especially welcome the views of any children and young people in your household.

Need to get in touch?

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1 Timber Play Unit



2 3-Bay Swings with Nest



3 Inclusive Spinner



4 Log Steppers



5 Log Steppers & Balancing Beams



6 Log Climbing Unit



7 Scramble Net & Log Climbing Unit



8 Assortment of Boulders



9 Concrete



10 Soft Fall Mulch



11 Soft Fall Mat



12 Garden Beds

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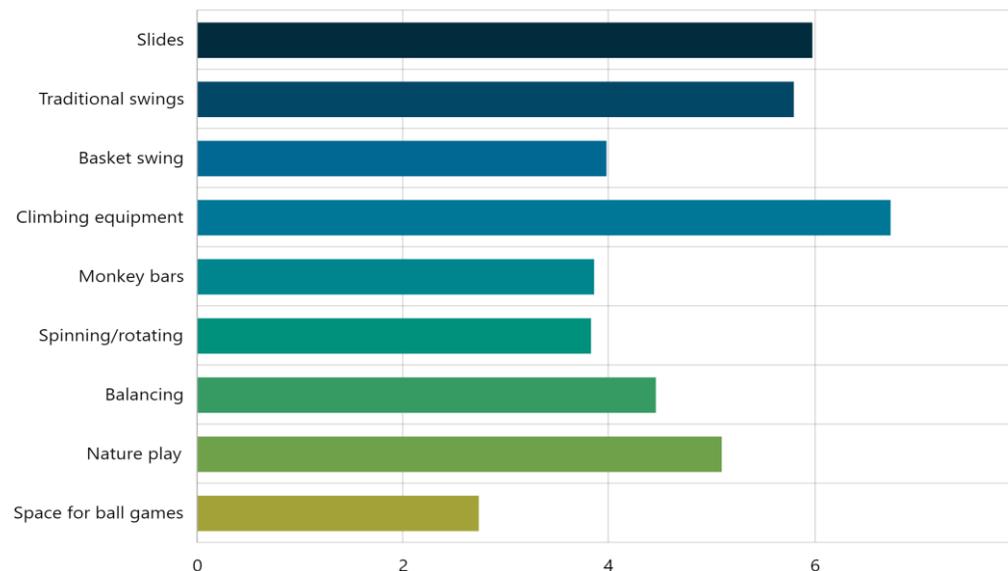
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Appendix 1: Full summary of Have Your Say stakeholder responses

1. Which play elements would work best?



Equipment Rating

Equipment	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Count	Score*	^Ave Rank
Climbing Equipment	25%	25%	12.50%	15.63%	6.25%	9.38%	6.25%	0%	0%	32	6.7	3.06
	8	8	4	5	2	3	2	0	0			
Slides	10%	20%	26.67%	20%	16.67%	0%	3.33%	3.33%	0%	30	6	3.43
	3	6	8	6	5	0	1	1	0			
Traditional Swings	25%	12.50%	6.25%	15.63%	12.50%	6.25%	9.38%	6.25%	6.24%	32	5.8	4.03
	8	4	2	5	4	2	3	2	2			
Nature Play	20%	6.67%	3.33%	20%	23.33%	6.67%	3.33%	13.33%	3.34%	30	5.1	4.4
	6	2	1	6	7	2	1	4	1			
Balancing	3.57%	10.71%	21.43%	21.43%	10.71%	7.14%	3.58%	14.29%	7.14%	28	4.5	4.75

	1	3	6	6	3	2	1	4	2			
Basket Swing	0%	10.34%	20.69%	3.45%	3.45%	27.59%	17.24%	6.90%	10.34%	29	4	5.48
	0	3	6	1	1	8	5	2	3			
Monkey Bars	6.67%	3.33%	6.67%	3.33%	16.67%	23.33%	20%	13.33%	6.67%	30	3.9	5.33
	2	1	2	1	5	7	6	4	2			
Spinning/rotating	11.11%	11.11%	7.41%	7.41%	7.41%	7.41%	22.22%	22.22%	3.70%	27	3.8	5.33
	3	3	2	2	2	2	6	6	1			
Space for Ball games	8%	12%	8%	0%	4%	8%	8%	8%	44%	25	2.7	6.4
	2	3	2	0	1	2	2	2	11			

*Score - Sum of the weight of each ranked position, multiplied by the response count for the position choice, divided by the total contributions. Weights are inverse to ranked positions.

^Avg Rank - Sum of the ranked position of the choice, multiplied by the response count for the position choice, divided by the total 'Count' of the choice.

2. Is there anything you would like to tell us about this playground or its location?	
Long Text Skipped: 14 Answered: 25 (64.1%)	
Featured Contributions	
Suitable for slightly older kids (7+) Basketball half court and ring Rope course Flying Fox Lots of plants Contribution 25 of 25 23 July 2023	
My 2 kids really want a basketball ring (I do too) & preferably a one-third or half court space. There is a wide range of ages that use this space, toddler to teenager. My upper primary-aged kids have grown out of the current play equipment Contribution 24 of 25 22 July 2023	
Consider a fence to keep dogs out! [transcribed from hard copy survey, MP] Contribution 23 of 25 20 July 2023	
Try not to make every playground look so angular. Everything in your examples were square structures with slides, nets, or swings coming off it. If your not sure what I mean, have a look at a few of the Glen Eira council playgrounds. There is a significant difference between the two council playgrounds, and unfortunately Glen Eira council does it better pretty much every time. I understand that Monash possibly can't afford to do the same on every park, but at least see if you can make a few good parks, even if some of the smaller ones are more simple. Contribution 22 of 25 19 July 2023	
Rock climbing wall and basketball hoop Contribution 21 of 25 15 July 2023	
I've lived in the area for a very long time and this playground has always been very basis. There are a lot of children that visit as it is close to a McDonalds, Primary school, kindergarten and also soccer oval is used most days with parents bringing along other children as well that aren't participating in the soccer or kids waiting for their game. It needs to be a lot bigger and have more equipment for kids of all ages. Often there are teenagers hanging out there and creating a kind of 'bullying vibe' for younger kids. Contribution 20 of 25 12 July 2023	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It would be extremely beneficial to have shaded areas over the playground as at the moment it is fully exposed with no sun protection (especially important during the warmer months). A play area with a softer floor (for example cork) would be great rather than just complete tan bark. It would be great to expand the current space out to where the drinking tap is behind the football goal and add multiples and variety of equipment to suit all ages Contribution 19 of 25 10 July 2023	
I really think we can make this a pretty spot with nice natural plants and landscape for kids to enjoy. More climbing with tiered levels. Contribution 18 of 25 10 July 2023	
Fencing to keep the dogs away from children. Water play should be considered as there is nothing like it in the area Contribution 17 of 25 10 July 2023	
Incorporate indigenous plants that support native wildlife and lizard log habitat and sunning rocks. Contribution 16 of 25 10 July 2023	

	<p>More older kid equipment! Contribution 15 of 25 10 July 2023</p>
	<p>Security / safety from carpark (close proximity). Increase in size with big kid and small kid sections. BBQ or picnic facilities? Contribution 14 of 25 7 July 2023</p>
	<p>Bike parking should be provided near the playground to encourage nearby residents to ride to the park. This should include a link to the adjacent footpath. Contribution 13 of 25 7 July 2023</p>
	<p>The current height of the slide is just right, same with the other equipment, for young children. A seesaw would be a nice addition. Something similar to Princess Park in Oakleigh would work, minus the tall slide which is too steep. Plus some of the nature features of Murrumbeena park given the surrounding trees - and possibly more planting or dry creek bed to discourage dogs from racing over from the soccer field to the playground area. Contribution 12 of 25 26 June 2023</p>
	<p>It would be amazing if there can elements of elevated playground space with ground-level playground space within the same structure. Not only would this be more space-efficient, but that it would also cater for different age groups. I've found the unique elements of Glen Eira parks (e.g. Packer Park with the elevated maze-like structure littered underneath the same structure with varied activities for younger children, the wide sprawl of Murrumbeena Park, etc.) a stand-out and key to being rated as some of the best and most popular parks in Melbourne. Also not sure if there would be enough space for a roofed barbecue area and toilets... Contribution 11 of 25 26 June 2023</p>
	<p>I hope there's more shades. Like playgroup with a shades. Protect the kids from hot and rainy days. Especially Melbourne's unpredictable weather. Also, Rest Areas. Rest areas such as picnic tables & benches. Playground surfacing. We need more toddler friendly play area. Contribution 10 of 25 23 June 2023</p>
	<p>There is a large open space and grass which is great. Suggest some soccer goals for kids to play soccer. Even a basketball hoop would be good. Contribution 9 of 25 21 June 2023</p>
	<p>I feel like it hasn't been very toddler friendly Contribution 8 of 25 20 June 2023</p>
	<p>Please keep the current styles of swings as larger than average toddlers don't fit in the new style bucket swings at Galbally Reserve but they still fit in the current bucket swing at Argyle Reserve. My toddler as well as quite a few of her friends are tall for their age but haven't quite mastered the swings without backrest & seatbelt yet so they'll be heartbroken if the current bucket swing gets replaced with the newer "mum & bub" style. Contribution 7 of 25 20 June 2023</p>
	<p>Would be good to include a couple of sheltered picnic tables (e.g. under gazebo) to provide shaded resting place for parents while their children utilise the playground equipment. Contribution 6 of 25 20 June 2023</p>
	<p>Would like to see a garden bed of native shrubs planted around the perimeter of the play area (Kinrade Street) to enhance the aesthetics of the environment ... as opposed to current wooden fences from adjoining residential properties Contribution 5 of 25 20 June 2023</p>
	<p>Argyle reserve has lots of children in the area with the local soccer club & Hughesdale Primary School within close proximity, but the play area is very small. A lot of near by parks such as Galbally Reserve or Murrumbeena Park have play areas which are larger and well designed. Seems like there need to be more space dedicated to a nature themed play area as well as some new climbing or slide features, the swings are always popular so please keep these! Contribution 4 of 25 18 June 2023</p>
	<p>I would like to see a "Pump Track" built somewhere in the reserve. This is an undulating paved path that can be ridden on with bikes, scooters and skateboards. This could be a long linear design along one of the boundaries of the reserve and does not need to be the more traditional circular loop arrangement. Contribution 3 of 25 17 June 2023</p>
	<p>Some ideas to consider m: - Inground Trampoline - Under 2 play equipment separate to other equipment - Fitness play equipment (like Galbally Reserve) Contribution 2 of 25 16 June 2023</p>
	<p>The playground could be much bigger than it currently is as there is ample space around that is currently underutilised. With a primary school around the corner and soccer field for kids I believe it should have a mix of activities for younger pre and older primary school aged children similar to the recently built golf links avenue reserve. A bbq space and tables to eat at would be good too. Even like the golf links one - some chess tables etc. New and different equipment like a ninja course similar to that at Galbally Reserve would be good too to keep the kids active at all ages as would a larger slide. Contribution 1 of 25 16 June 2023</p>

Appendix 2

	Why do you feel that way?
	Good change
	Have a look at the play area at packer park in Carnegie or Murrumbeena park, much nice and far more interesting.
	Plenty of space and different areas for kids to play
	I feel this way as I live close to the park and am worried about people taking short cuts through the park
	My children and their friends would like to see a basketball court and ring. It would be good if the playground catered for a range of age groups including those around 12-14 years, not just very young children.
	There are no specific shaded areas outlined in the plan provided which is a concern, this area is prone to getting direct sunlight most of the day.
	Big improvement on what's there!
	Good to see that vacant area being enhanced for the benefit of all who visit Argyle Reserve
	It needs an upgrade
	It's such a large area and has potential to be great. We should be capitalising on the sport facility (soccer) already in place and adding other sporting options such as basketball/netball which blend in well with playgrounds and will cater for families with children of different ages.

Appendix 3

	Is there anything about the draft concept plan you'd like to change or anything else you'd like to see included?
	A basketball ring would be a great addition to the play area
	Yes, for it to look like the play area at packer park in Carnegie or Murrumbeena park, much nice and far more interesting.
	<p>The playground definitely needs to be fenced. Argyle reserve has a large portion that is an off leash dog park, and there's regularly brushes between over excited kids and dogs (usually due to a child running out of the playground and onto the oval)</p> <p>A fence would greatly assist in keeping separation and safety, similar to the playground at elsternwick park that's fenced in to keep kids and dogs separate and safe from each other. Adding a fence to the rest of the oval would be fantastic as well for the dog park portion of the park</p>
	<p>At present, the seats and table are located close to the Sports Pavilion and are able to be used at night due to the Pavilion lights. The table is regularly used by groups of people at night to eat the food they have purchased at the nearby McDonalds or to gather and drink.</p> <p>I live opposite the playground and my bedroom window is at the front of the house.</p> <p>I am often disturbed late at night and was hoping that as the design guidelines outlined above state that picnic areas are not included, that the table and seats could be moved away from the light, therefore limiting use after dark.</p> <p>As the Sports Pavilion toilets are not open on the weekend, we often witness men urinating in and around the playground area, at the back of the Sports Pavilion which is in full view of the houses that face the park, one of them being mine. I'm not sure how to solve this problem but appreciate the opportunity to let you know.</p>
	To add bbqs in the social area
	I would love to see a basketball/netball ring for extra play for older kids
	Basketball court/half court
	Our daughter would like to see animal figurines/statues, a wall climbing area and a sandpit included in the playground.
	Needs toilets. The club house toilets are always closed
	Would love to see a garden bed (approx 2metres deep) established around the residential boundary fence with native plants and shrubs to enhance the overall aesthetics of the area
	Remove the dog water fountain from the play area & reinstall it away from this area (opposite) so children can play freely without dogs coming near their playground
	A basketball qtr court should be included. Similar to the one at Galbally Reserve, Hughesdale.

Appendix 4

	Do you have any further feedback on the draft concept plan?
	Argyle reserve is totally neglected, it is ugly! Have a look at Mallanbool Reserve in Carnegie, a much nice spot.
	Whilst it's understood and appreciated the primary objective of this project is to provide more play space for children, it would be great if the overall aesthetics of the area could also be considered with boundary garden beds ... and potentially a range of gym/exercise equipment installed to aid improved adult health