



Minori Park Enhancements

Community Engagement Summary
November 2021 – March 2022

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1. Overview

The City of Cockburn has received \$530,000 in State Government election funding to improve 13 local parks. A budget of \$100,000 has been allocated to creating a usable, family-friendly space at Minori Park.

Minori Park is a small public open space, located between Positano Crescent and Minori Gardens in Yangebup.



Above: Aerial view of Minori Park, Yangebup.

To guide the preparation of a park design, the City sought input from nearby residents. This document provides a summary of the engagement process and key findings.

2. Engagement Summary

Community consultation was undertaken in two phases:

- Visioning (December 2021), and
- Concept design (February 2022).

Visioning

As part of the visioning exercise, the City contacted residents within around 100m of the park (approximately 80 households) via a letterbox drop. The correspondence provided an overview of the funding and how to share ideas for the park design, including:

- A drop-in session at Minori Park on Saturday 11 December 2021, and
- Direct contact with the City of Cockburn Parks Team.

At the drop-in session, participants were asked to share their ideas and preferred locations for each item on a large map. Hard copy feedback forms were also available for participants to take home and complete.

Given the available budget, participants identified the following priorities:

- Park furniture (e.g. BBQ, drink fountains, benches, shelter and a picnic setting);
- Accessibility improvements (e.g. extended handrails along the stairs, lighting and a pathway for people who use prams and wheelchairs); and
- Addressing gaps in play equipment for different age groups (in particular, equipment for older kids e.g. half-basketball court).

Participants also highlighted a preference for upgrades to the existing play equipment. City staff outlined that the equipment is scheduled for renewal in the coming financial years and will be covered in the City's future playground renewal budget.

Concept Design

A concept design was prepared considering feedback from the visioning exercise, site constraints and project budget. To check the City got it right, the design was published for community feedback in February 2022.

The following communications were released:

- Letterdrop to properties within around 100m of the park (approximately 80 households) including a hard copy feedback form;
- Direct email to past participants who provided a contact email;
- E-newsletter to the Yangebup Progress Association;
- Follow up email prompts to residents who live immediately opposite the park and have a registered email address with the City;
- Signs at the park; and
- Project page on the Comment on Cockburn website.

Feedback on the concept design was invited in the following ways:

- Comment on Cockburn website;
- Phone;
- Email; and
- Hard copy feedback forms.

During the feedback period, the Comment on Cockburn project page was visited 49 times. The City received feedback from five people, including three completed feedback forms, one email and one phone call.

The following themes were identified:

- The concept design was generally well received, with all feedback form respondents (three) noting they were satisfied with the design;
- There were mixed reviews about the proposed half-basketball court. While some respondents favoured its inclusion, others raised concerns about loss of green space, potential noise impacts and its proximity to households; and
- Minor amendments to the lighting locations were suggested via the phone submission.

3. Results

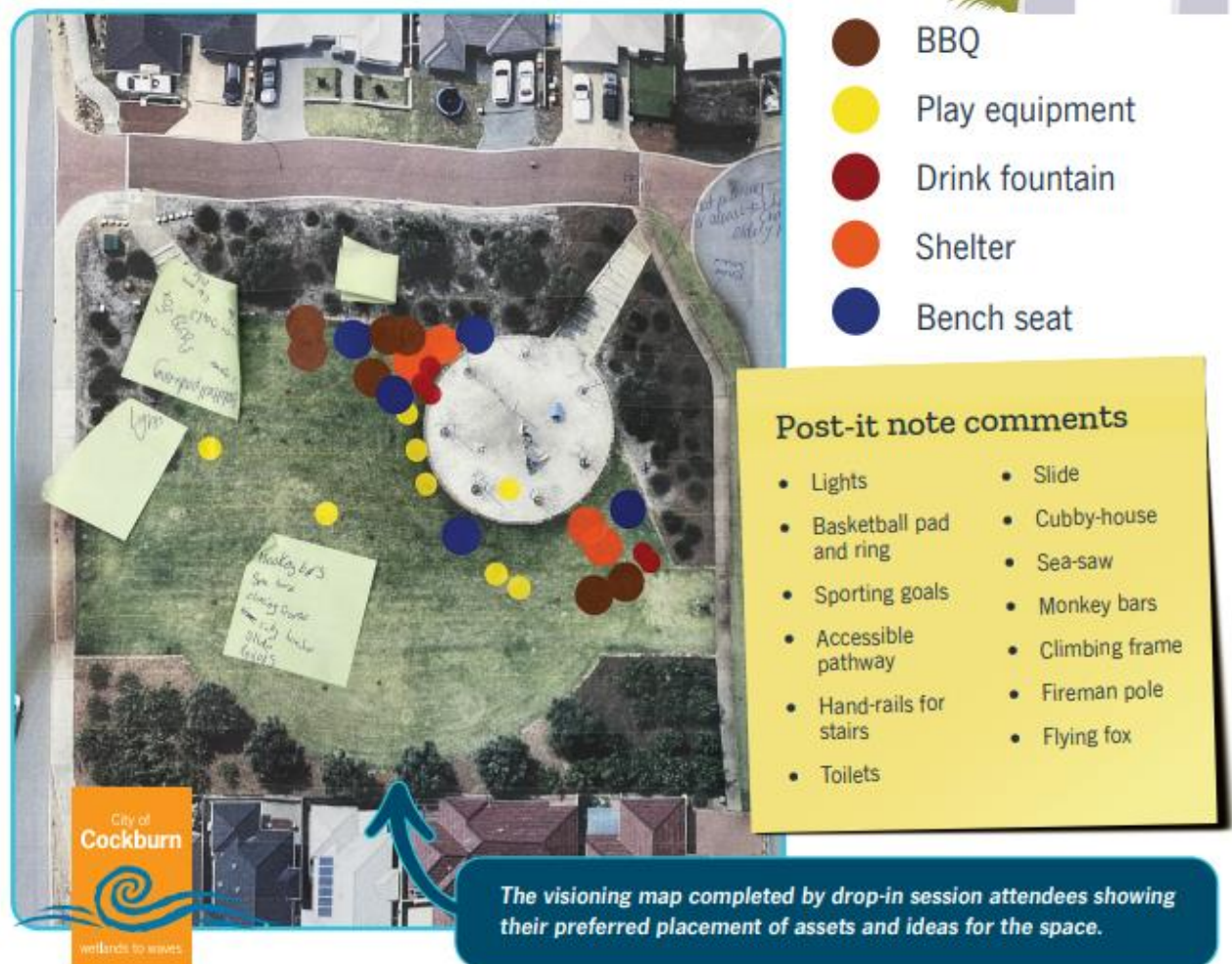
Responses received during phase one and two are provided below.

In the interest of transparency, responses are as received with minimal editing therefore some spelling and/or grammatical errors may exist.

Visioning

1. Drop-in session visioning map

Where should new assets be placed?



Concept design

1. Feedback form responses

Q1) Which aspects of the draft design do you like?

Hi , I like the idea of the basketball court the most. If one was installed can it be full width rather than a narrowed sectioned one that is present at Ravello Reserve. Eg/ Full width 3 point line. Drink foundation would also be good. Shade and BBQ facilities would be my next choice

Like all the aspects of the design

Shelter with picnic setting and solar shelter light, BBQ, solar bollard lights and drink fountain with dog bowl, soakwell in turf area.

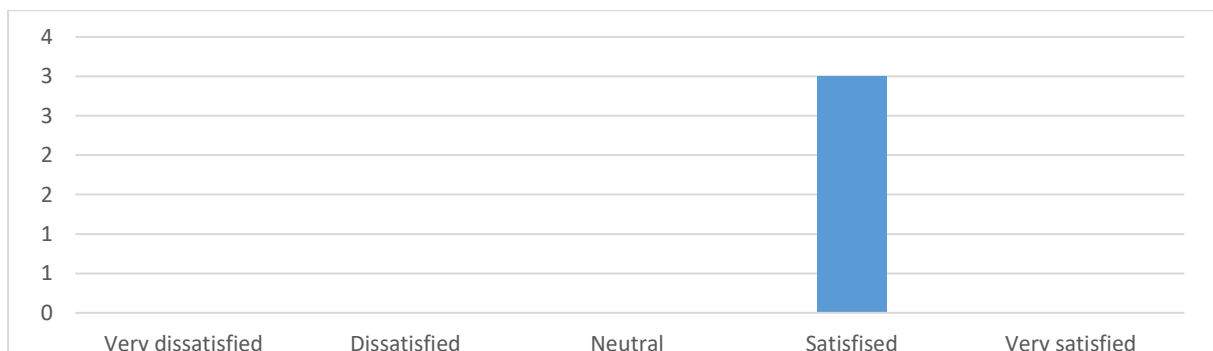
Q2) Considering the budget and site limitations, what changes (if any) would you make to the draft design?

No changes, as mentioned above

Are the childrens equipment in the sand area being upgraded

I think it's good. I'd probably have the had rails going down the side of the steps instead of in the middle.

Q3) Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the draft design?



Q4) Any further comments to help us with the design:

Wouldn't mind the children swing area updated.

2. Email submissions

Comments

Good morning,

My address is [REDACTED], Yangebup, I would love to leave my feedback regarding the park. I am writing on behalf of my neighbor as well who lives at [REDACTED] and also few other people agree with me. I don't like the idea to have a basketball court for many reasons; Noise increase Attracting teenagers and possibly drugs Park will get busier and it is a small park Sacrifice of green grass.

Minori Park is a quiet small park where the majority are children age 4 to 9 and they usually run around and playing nicely all together like a big family after school or weekend. The park isn't big enough to have a basketball ball and also the big kids will probably get annoyed by the small children. I see at the end of the road bigger kids they play in their driveway basketball already. We don't want more people coming in this park, we don't want people playing until late, we want this park to stay nice and quite as it is now. There is a big park 200mt away just behind with a huge basketball court, the big kids could just walk there and play there.

Sorry this isn't to be selfish as I have a 5 and 7 yrs old, but honestly the majority of the children are this age group and big kids could just grab the bike and go play in the park just behind Etna street.

All the rest looks fine thank you.

I wonder why there is no bin anymore tho? I have a dog and when I collect his poo I have to take it back home because the little bin across the road from [REDACTED] has been removed.

Thank you

3. Phone submissions

Comments

- Resident advised they were concerned about the inclusion of a half-basketball court due to loss of green space and proximity to houses.
- Resident believes the removal of the basketball and replacement with another sporting element suitable for older children, such as a soccer goal or similar, would be a good idea.
- Resident expressed concern about the light in the shelter due to potential for attracting visitors late into the evening.
- Resident was satisfied with remainder of the proposed design.

4. Next Steps

Feedback has been reviewed by the project team. A final design has been prepared considering community input alongside budget and site constraints.

Key changes include:

- Mini soccer goals to replace half basketball court; and
- Removal of solar light in shelter.

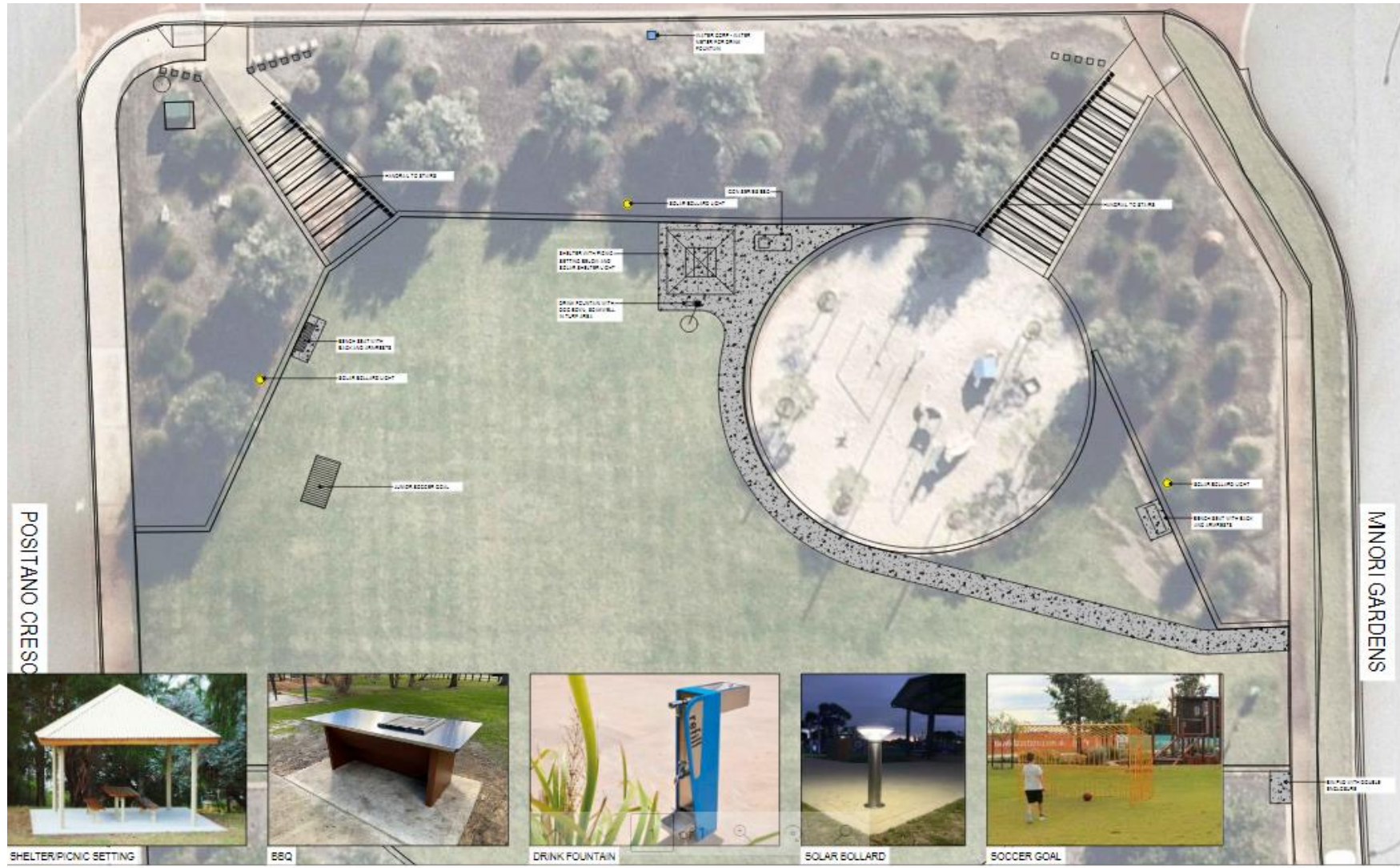
A copy of the final design is enclosed.

The City looks forward to delivering the park upgrades by mid-2022. For further information please contact the City of Cockburn on 08 9411 3444 or customer@cockburn.wa.gov.au.

5. Appendix A – Concept Design



6. Appendix B – Final Design



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