

Davilak Park Upgrades – Phase Two

Project Outcomes



The three overall outcomes for the upgrade to Davilak Park are:

- To develop a community parkland space, consisting of recreational elements
- To expand the community facility and clubrooms, and include a hireable community space
- To redevelop the oval space and surrounds, to incorporate a second oval.

The City consulted residents and sporting groups on their aspirations for the proposed upgrades to Davilak Park. This feedback has assisted the City in revising the concept plans. This is how the City plans to use your feedback.

The sentiment for the proposed concept design was positive with:



67%

Of survey respondents satisfied or very satisfied with the overall draft concept plans



58%

Of survey respondents satisfied or very satisfied with the draft concept plan for the proposed sporting and community building



61%

Of survey respondents satisfied or very satisfied with the proposed play area layout and positioning



67%

Of survey respondents were satisfied or very satisfied with the City's approach to reduce tree removal.





What we heard you liked about the draft concept plan

- ✓ Improved and modern facilities
- ✓ Facilities to encourage female participation
- ✓ More space for the community activities, not just for sport
- ✓ Facilities to support growth in sport
- ✓ Relocation of playground away from main road
- ✓ Improved and more diverse play opportunities for families
- ✓ Movement of building will reduce noise.



What we heard you wanted improved from the draft concept presented

- ✓ Improve viewing from clubrooms
- ✓ Ensure the playground is visible and safe
- ✓ Consider parking and traffic impacts
- ✓ Minimise impact to neighbouring residents
- ✓ More trees and improve canopy cover
- ✓ Ensure building is functional.

How we have responded to your feedback

The community provided a range of feedback and suggestions. These have been analysed and collated below into key themes for ease of response.

Community Feedback Theme	City Response
 Viewing from clubroom to the northern sporting field.	The kitchen/kiosk and bar area are proposed to be reconfigured in the final concept design to assist in improved viewing from the clubroom to the northern sporting field.
 Visibility of playground to sports fields for parents supervising children while watching sports.	Part of the playground will be visible from the southern oval, with a nature play and seating area planned on the eastern embankment overlooking both fields. Given the space restrictions, the playground is not able to be placed ideally for sport viewing while also maximising outcomes for general community use.
 Perception the playground is hidden behind the building.	The building is proposed to shift east to better align with the sporting fields, which creates more space for the playground. The final design will consider community safety, using crime prevention principles.
 Size of the building spaces (patio, changerooms) is either too big or too small.	The size of the internal rooms such as changerooms has been guided by industry standards and State Sport Association facility guidelines. The building layout and rooms have been supported by WA Football and WA Cricket as suitable.

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 Access to public toilets.	Public toilets have been included in the building and are accessible from the exterior of the building.
 Cricket balls from the cricket nets being hit into the playground.	The cricket nets are proposed to be fully netted to prevent the escape of cricket balls. A secondary safety net has also been proposed for between the cricket nets area and playground, in response to community feedback.
 Lighting to be provided on the southern oval.	Lighting for sports use on the southern oval is restricted by the overhead powerlines. The extent of lighting to the southern oval will be determined during the next detailed design phase.
 Use of southern oval for AFL.	The southern sporting field will look to accommodate an oval sized 135m by 110m on an east-west orientation. This is the minimum sized oval for senior use and can be used for overflow, women's teams, colts, and rotation of grounds to manage wear and tear.
 Upgrade of the existing goal posts.	The City is upgrading goal posts across the City. Davilak Park will be considered within the redevelopment project.
 Parking and traffic impacts.	Investigation into options to increase parking along Strode Avenue will be included in the next stages of detailed design.
 Water fountains	Water fountains for both people and dogs have been included.
 Public art inclusion	Public art will be considered as part of the final design phase.



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 Suggested play features	Suggestions will be included in the design brief for consideration from the community.
 Additional sports	Due to the high use of the sporting fields for AFL and cricket, and limited space, no new formal sports are planned. The City is creating opportunities for informal recreation with exercise equipment near the secondary oval and a circuit path.
 Anti-social behaviour	Safety will be a major focus as we move into detailed design. We'll include features like good visibility, CCTV, lighting, and landscaping that avoids hidden areas. Clear paths and entry points will help make the space welcoming and easy to navigate. Research shows that parks that attract regular activity and visitors are naturally safer and experience less anti-social behaviour.
 Include flattening of the hill in the south-west corner	The City looked at levelling the hill to create more space; however the cost of the earthworks and the likely impact on the nearby trees meant it wasn't a practical option.

Further Information and Next Steps

Thank you to everyone who provided feedback on the draft concept plans for the Davilak Park Upgrades. The City has used your feedback to refine the concept plans and presented a report to Council at the December 2025 Ordinary Council Meeting (OCM) for consideration.

The finer details of the project will be determined and further refined during the detailed design phase. To keep informed of progress on this project, please follow the project page on Comment on Cockburn.

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