



Market Gardens Basketball Pad

Community Feedback and Project Update

The City of Cockburn responded to community requests for a basketball pad closer to Market Garden Park by considering various locations. Spearwood Skate Park is the only feasible location due to its size, ground conditions, and existing infrastructure. Between February and March 2024, we invited neighbouring residents and park users to share their views on the possibility of incorporating a basketball pad into Spearwood Skate Park.

Key findings



Benefits:

- More outdoor recreation opportunities (especially for young people in the Market Gardens area).



Challenges:

- Noise
- Safety - stray balls on the main road and bushland.



Solutions:

- Use noise-mitigating materials
- Position pad in the centre of the park.

How we promoted the consultation



Comment on Cockburn webpage



Letters to residents within a 150m radius of the area



6 on-site signs (including floor stickers)

Who we heard from

161 visits to Comment on Cockburn

23 people provided feedback

16 People attended the community drop-in

What we heard



Benefits:

Theme	Mentions
Promoting outdoor/healthy lifestyle	21
Good for children	15



Challenges:

Theme	Mentions
Concerns for noise	12
Stray balls	7

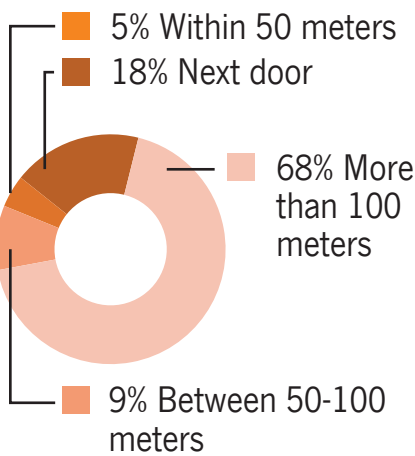


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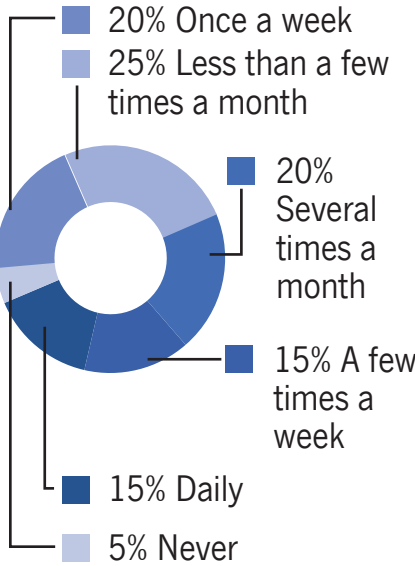
Theme	Mentions
Find an alternate location	7
Noise mitigating materials	3

Feedback demographics

How far do you live from Spearwood Skate Park?



How often do you visit Spearwood Skate Park?



Next Steps

After reviewing the community feedback, the City has decided to install an 8m x 8m basketball pad in the area.

Recognising community feedback in relation to noise and safety, the pad will be positioned in the middle of the park, away from skating activities, and at a distance maximising space between the pad and neighbouring residences. A sound-mitigating backboard will also be used.

Installation is expected to start in the second quarter of 2024 and is due to take up to five weeks.

For more information, visit comment.cockburn.wa.gov.au/mgbball or contact the City’s Landscape and Coastal projects team on 08 9411 3444.