



Merri-bek
City Council

Hosken Reserve Active Recreation Space

**Outcomes of Community Engagement
Report**

March 2023



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Introduction

About the project

In 2021 we asked the community to tell us how they would like to use Hosken Reserve in the future. The result was a refreshed Masterplan which provided a balance of active and passive recreation areas for the community, upgrades to sporting facilities for the soccer and tennis clubs, and other amenity upgrades.

This year we will begin work on:

- Extension of the football pavilion
- New tennis pavilion and tennis court upgrade
- Upgrade to sports grounds
- Additional parking spaces
- Creation of multi-use active recreation space
- Upgrades to lighting and shared paths
- Extensive landscaping works

Engagement purpose

The IAP2 level of engagement for this project was 'Consult'. In this regard, Council sought to obtain feedback on alternatives, while promising to listen to the community to acknowledge their concerns and aspirations.

This stage of the project focused only on the creation of a multi-use active recreation space by seeking feedback from the community on two concept designs (**Appendix 2**). Each design contained different elements for a range of recreational activities, as well as the inclusion of amenities such as bench seating, bike hoops and shelters with communal tables.

How we engaged

Community engagement on the active recreation space occurred over 4 weeks from 8 February to 8 March 2023. The local community were given the opportunity to provide feedback on two draft concept designs. Throughout the consultation, we heard from **230 people**.

Community engagement included:

- An online survey via [Conversations Merri-bek](#). We received **91** pieces of feedback.
- Three pop-up engagements at Hosken Reserve. The activities at the pop-ups replicated the survey questions asked online to ensure that all participants had the same opportunity to provide feedback on the designs:
 - Saturday 18 February 10am-1pm. We spoke to **36** people.
 - Wednesday 22 February 2-7.30pm. We spoke to **86** people.
 - Sunday 26 February 10am-1pm. We spoke to **17** people.

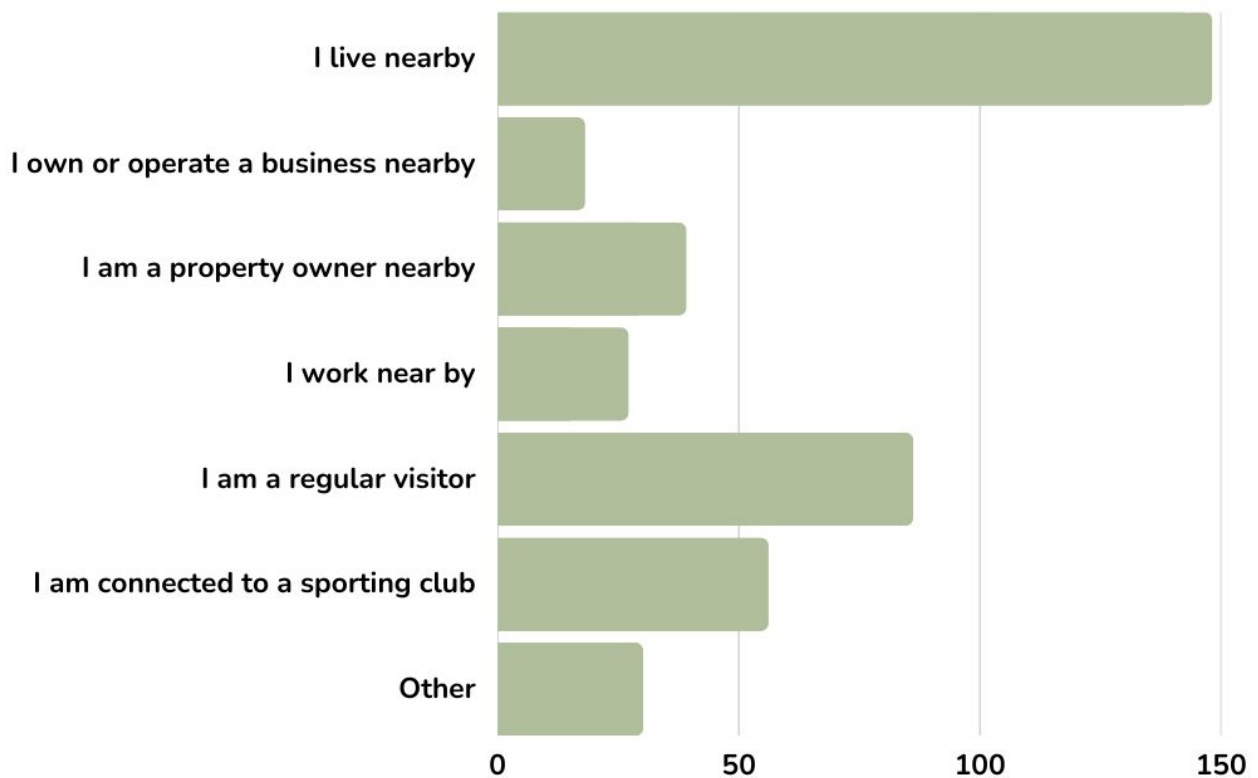
The engagement opportunities were promoted to members of the community:

- Who followed the original Hosken Masterplan Refresh on Conversations Merri-bek.
- Via letterbox drop local residents within a 1km radius of the Reserve.
- Through postcards which were dropped off at key locations throughout Merri-bek.
- Through signage at Hosken Reserve and neighbouring reserves (Richards Reserve and Sanger Reserve).
- Via Council's social media channels.

Who we engaged

What is your connection to Hosken Reserve?

For this question, participants could select multiple connections to Hosken Reserve. The majority of people (142) were residents who live nearby, followed by regular visitors to the Reserve (86).



Findings

Throughout the consultation we had many valuable conversations with the community which helped us to better understand which elements were most important for them to have included in the active recreation space.

The findings from the consultation are provided below. Please note that not all participants responded to all questions.

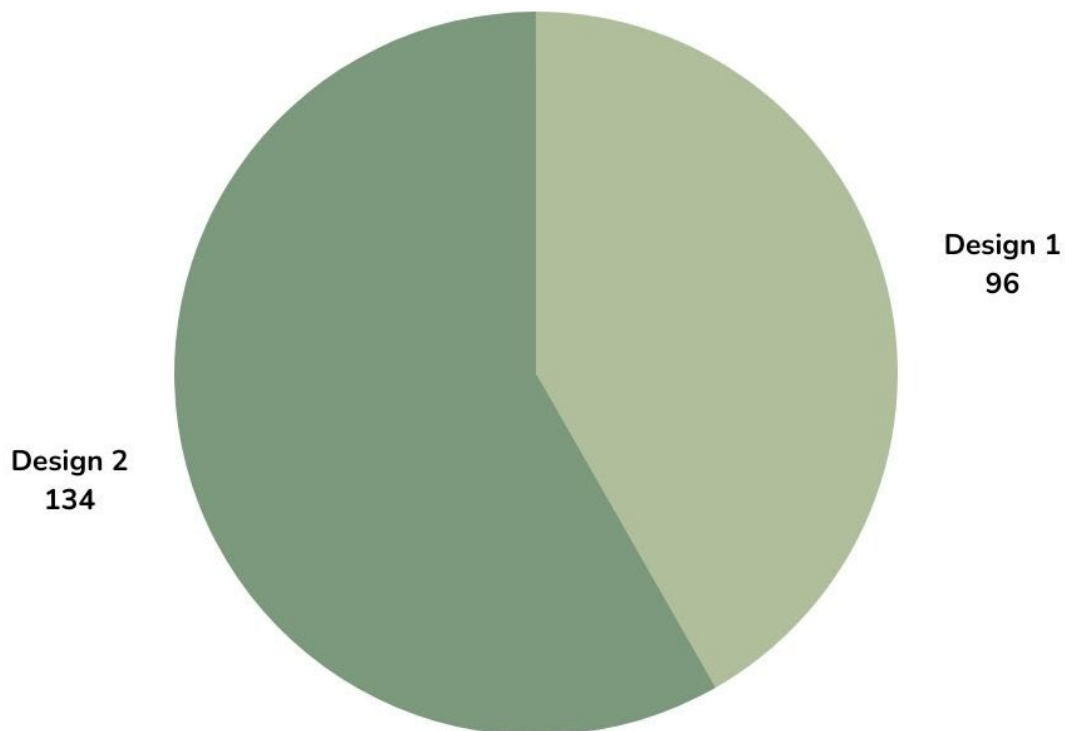
What do you like most about the designs?

We received 153 comments to this question. When asked, along with comments on the individual equipment that had been included, the most common responses were:

- The designs offer a diverse range of challenges and activities, for a diverse range of age groups.
- Retention of existing trees and plantings of new shrubs and trees were welcomed.
- Inclusion of an undercover table and seating were also welcomed.
- Overall great use of space that is currently under-utilised.

Which of the active recreation space design examples do you prefer?

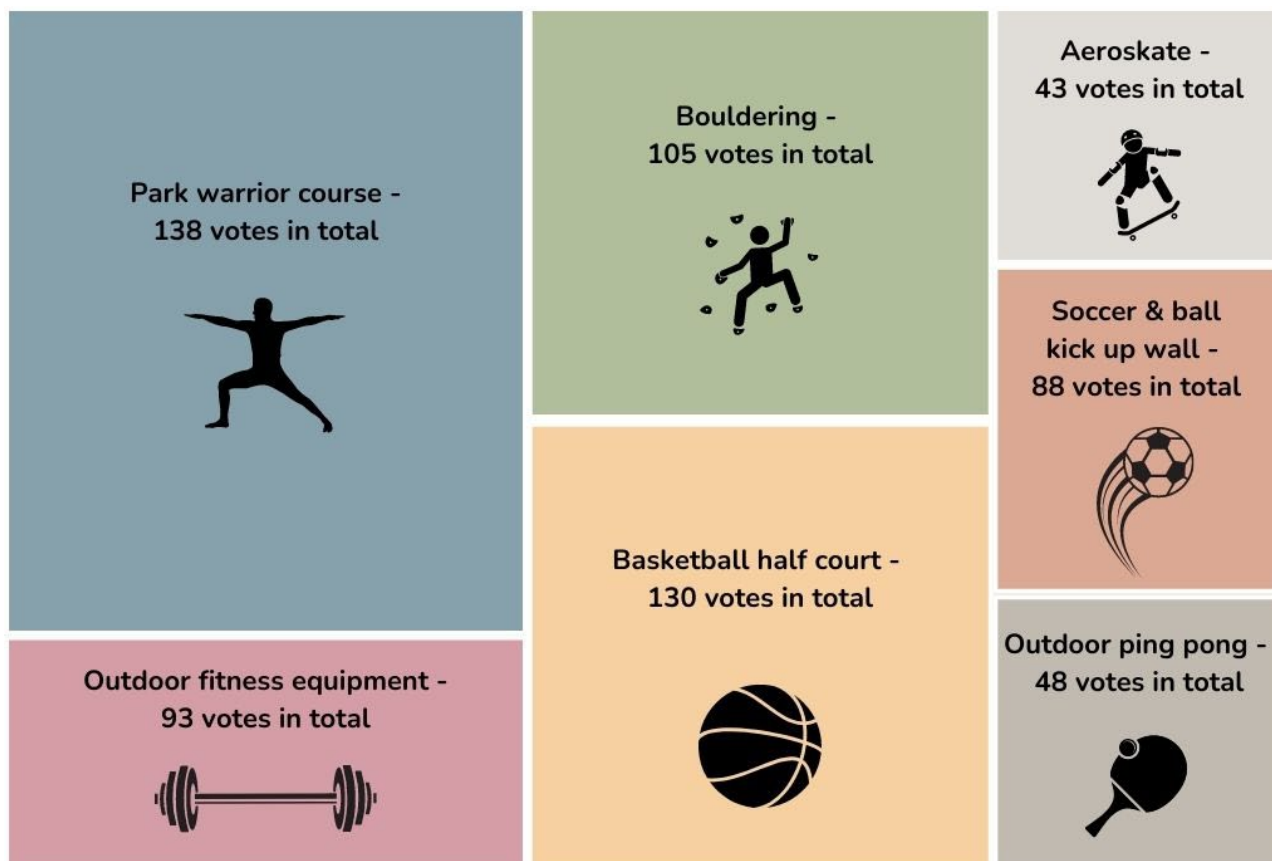
Community members were able to vote for their favourite of the 2 concept designs. The majority of participants voted for design 2.



Which 3 elements would you most like to see in the active recreation space?

Community members were able to rank their top 3 favourite pieces of equipment across both designs. The 3 main elements the community told us they want to see in the space are:

1. Park warrior course
2. Basketball half court
3. Bouldering



Would you like to see any changes made to the draft concept design?

We received 137 responses to this question. When asked, along with comments on the individual equipment that had been included, the most common responses were:

- Provide some activities/equipment for older adults.
- Provide some activities/equipment for younger children.
- Include netball with the basketball halfcourt
- Included amenities, such as public toilets, bins and drinking fountains.
- Include more greenery and trees.
- Include more seating and shade.
- Improve lighting and accessibility to the space.

Throughout the consultation we received comments for improvements to the masterplan for the Reserve that were not related to the active recreation space (such as safety, pathways, parking and use of the east field). These comments will be reviewed and followed up by Council officers. All comments received have been included, verbatim, in **Appendix 3**.

Conclusion

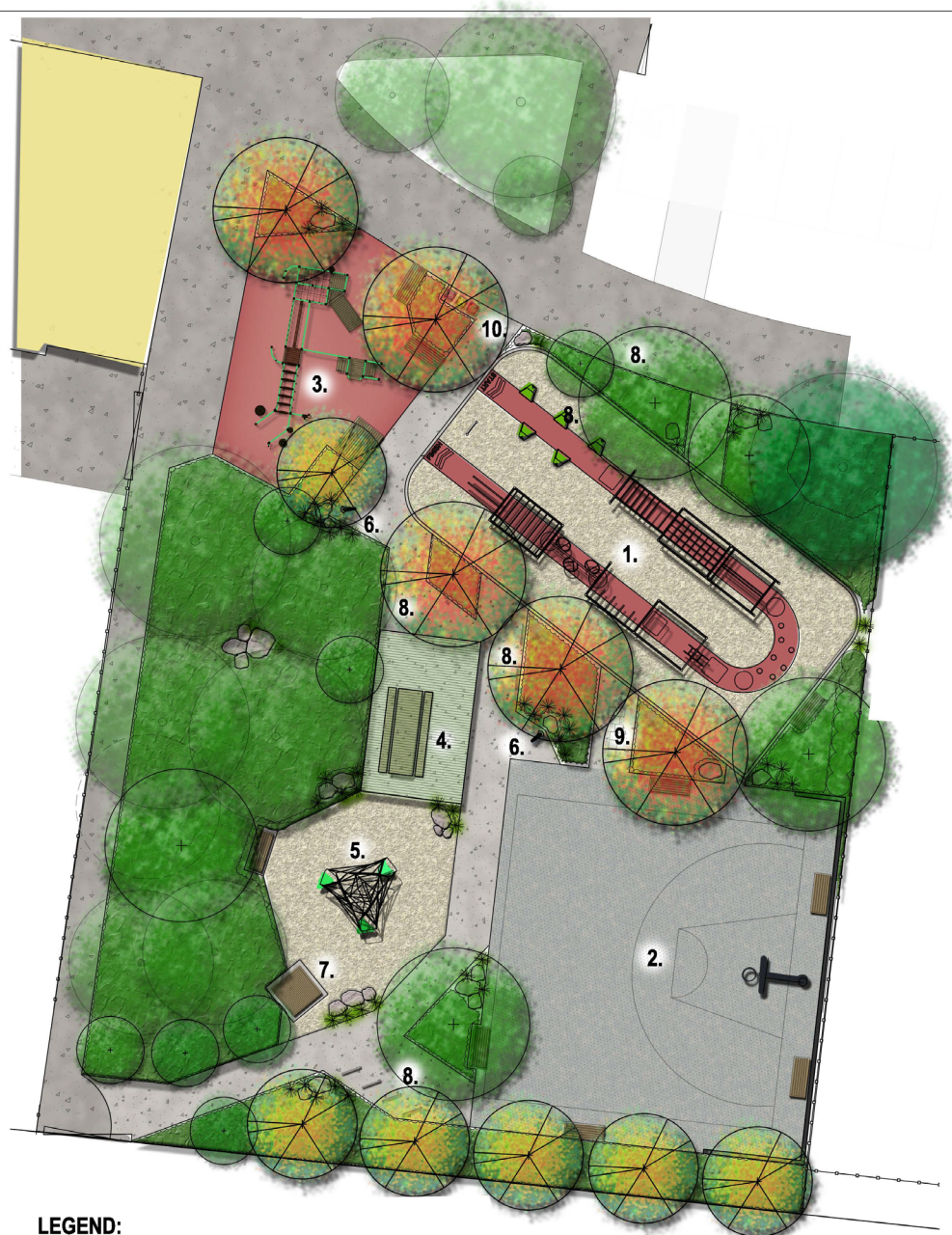
Feedback from the community was used to develop a redesigned active recreation space which included elements from both draft concept designs:

1. Park warrior course
2. Basketball / netball halfcourt
3. Seniors' fitness equipment
4. Shelter with communal table
5. Bouldering unit
6. Drink fountains
7. Platform bench seat
8. Bike hoops
9. Hopscotch game line marking
10. Bins

Works on the active recreation space are due to commence later this year. The final design is available in **Appendix 1** on the next page.

Appendix 1

Final design

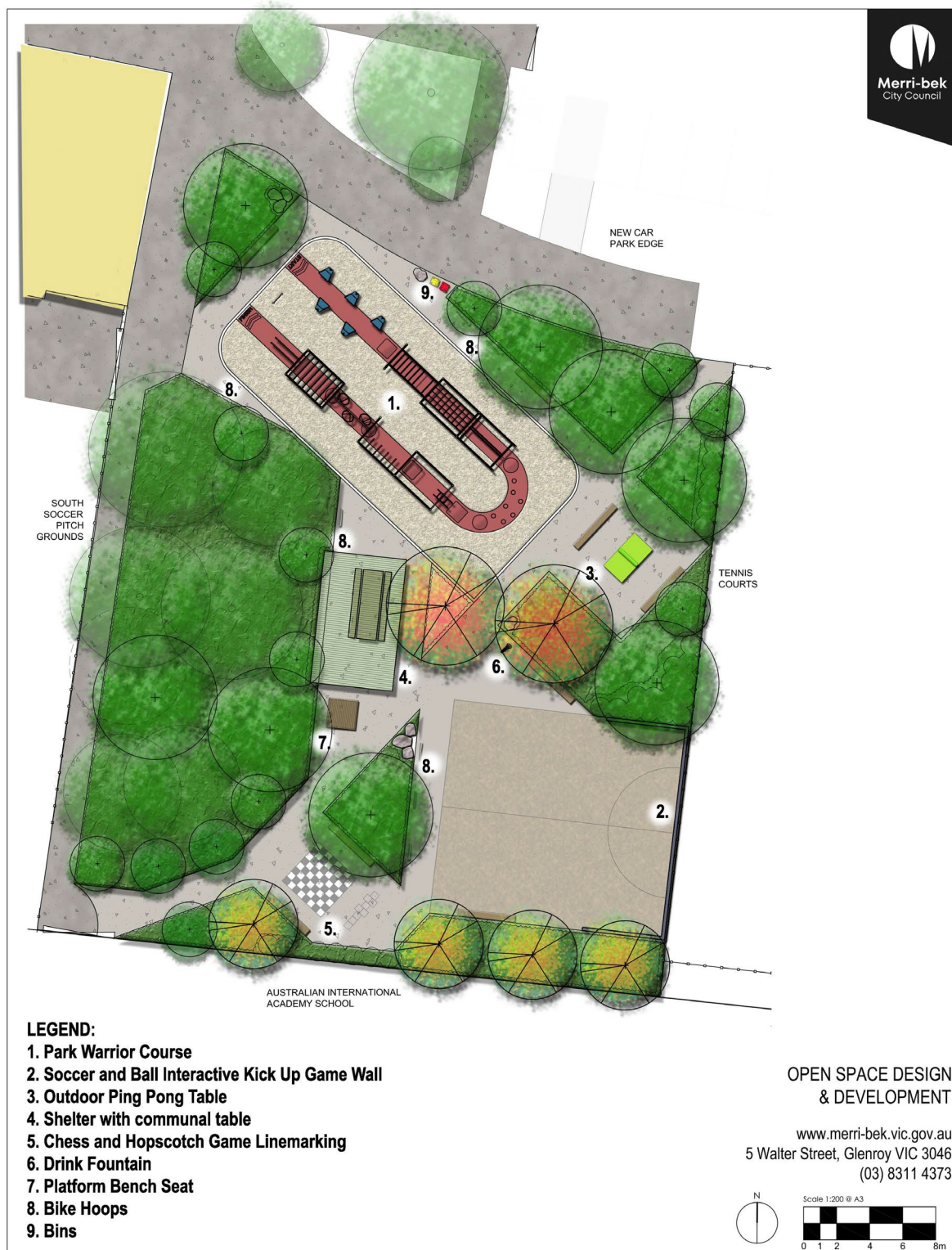


LEGEND:

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Appendix 2

Concept design #1



OPTION 1 - HOSKEN RESERVE ACTIVE RECREATION SPACE

Residents and the wider community are invited to submit feedback on Options 1 & 2 of the draft concept plans for the Active Recreation Space at Hosken Reserve prior to 28/2/2023. Please contact Wendy Skala, Landscape Architect, at Merri-bek City Council to provide feedback or ask for more information. Email: wskala@merri-bek.vic.gov.au or telephone 83114392. A concept plan will be chosen and/or amended in response to the community feedback.

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Concept design #2



OPTION 2 - HOSKEN RESERVE ACTIVE RECREATION SPACE

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Appendix 3

What do you like most about the designs?

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| Equipment more inviting for small children |
| More geared towards families |
| <p>I like elements of both designs, but neither as shown.</p> <p>I think there should be a basketball half court (the one as Sanger is always in use / popular). Table tennis is not suitable because too windy and already one at Bain. Don't want a soccer wall as there needs to be variety of activities available.</p> <p>I also think a strength / balance space for older residents and children would be good and undercover table / eat area.</p> |
| <p>Neither design is suitable. They are gender skewed and able-bodied skewed. How much more is this non-local private high fee club going to be given by council with nothing back to the local residents and ratepayers other than loss of park facility they have enjoyed for generations? What ideas does the council have for this space to be welcoming to residents and have capacity suitable for non-athletic yet want to be active residents? Where are the ideas for ability challenged? Digitised or solid chess/draught sets, water feature with sensory garden, climbing wall is ok although there is already commercial climbing walls in Sussex St and another in Gaffney St, gently active areas are active for life areas too. Not everything should be directed towards able bodied males as in this Master Plan.</p> <p>The Merlynston community already have outdoor gym equipment in Sanger Reserve and more in Richards Reserve. Within the waste of a Master soccer hub Plan for Hosken Reserve council is building an allegedly "community gymnasium" inside the southern side of the locked central (soccerised) pavilion behind locked 10foot fence. i.e. it is not for local community who were not even consulted but for PVFC. This entire Master Waste is PVFC centric and the local residents, who actually live here unlike PVFC players, council say can go to hell. Over \$7million dollars of a \$9million dollar plan is for soccer infrastructure yet there is ZERO budget for resident community for Areas 4&5 of the Plan. The absolute least council should do is Active Recreation Area for ability challenged. There is already plenty for the able bodied and the young.</p> <p>Both options outlined for the active recreation space with soccer ball pickup walls and more outside gym equipment are and will be for soccer. This MUST NOT happen. Council has already given PVFC and Football Victoria too much of OUR LOCAL PARK. This park has been used by residents for 100years and council have since coming out of COVID19 in 2022 effectively locked the residents out of their local park through grotesque over-allocation of hours to PVFC. Prior to COVID19 the PVFC including juniors played at Richards Reserve 4 nights a week and at weekends. Hosken North and North-East was not even utilised prior to the Storm Water Harvesting greened the park in 2018.</p> <p>The car park expansion here is unnecessary</p> <p>There is an entire skate park in Gaffney St plus the Velodrome in Richards Reserve. There is already a basket ball hoop in Sanger Reserve. Council should have consulted residents first instead of a fait d'accompli to choose option 1 or 2 you would have known the forgoing.</p> |
| Design 1 offers much more activities for children of all ages with the Park Warrior Course, Ball Kick-up Wall, Table Tennis, Chess and Hopscotch etc and there is already fitness equipment and a Half Court Basketball installed in the nearby parks on Lily St and Shorts Rd so these items are not necessary at Hosken Reserve. |
| Example 2 serves more communities we don't need another soccer area we DO need a safe off leash area available ALL DAY EVERY DAY. Chose as least bad option, not a fair or good option |
| <p>Caters for multiple sports interest.</p> <p>Basketball court and gym equipment</p> |

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| I like the Ninja play equipment, as well as the table tennis table. I think these stand out the most to me because a lot of the other aspects, mainly in designed 2, are already accessible in nearby parks. |
| Park warrior course |
| I like park warrior type of equipment |
| That the course enables you to challenge yourself each time you use it |
| Ninja Course |
| Encourages everyone to use the space and provides challenge for both young and old. This looks super fun! |
| Basketball half court would be good Bouldering activities would seem to engage kids and give them experience at risk taking Outside Gym equipment would engage some adults |
| The 4 square for downball play, the outdoor gym space , basketball play area and the bouldering climbing areas look great too. The shade covered space will be useful too. |
| Much needed facilities with no similar options within walking distance - will get lots of use. |
| The park core warrior set, ping pong table and just high energy activity sets |
| I like the warrior course. I can see that being great to engage older children and adults. |
| Green space good for teenagers and young adults. |
| The provide opportunities for other outdoor activities besides soccer. |
| Option 2 is more community based with individuals able to use the facilities. Exercise equipment encourages healthy activity. I think the table tennis is a wasted area as they are almost never used for purpose. There is ample space for more exercise stations or even the park warrior course in the treed area. The money saved by not having the expensive electronic one user interactive soccer screen can be used for better value. |
| The park warrior course |
| Ninja course |
| The bouldering section |
| It has more elements that I would use - the warrior course, ping pong table and outdoor chess. The other option is less accessible to me. |
| General fitness open to all |
| The Bouldering Structure are becoming more and more popular, with good reason. The diversity this activity allows is a perfect solution for a park space. They also look really refined and stand out. |
| It gives the community so many different options and the design seems to flow |
| Design option 2 has more realistic options for people to actively engage with the space. Love the half court basketball and the outdoor gym equipment |
| Both look great |
| I like the good mix of facilities for all ages and abilities. The facilities in Design 2 serve a lot of varied interest groups that help indicate that the reserve is not just for one sport. |

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| Useable for all ages, including adults and young adults. Soccer wall is a great idea sun very unique. Design two is great as well but the half basketball court seems to be a bit of a waste of space and tend to encourage loitering. |
| Nothing really, I like the reserve as it is. There is no joy for dogs with either of these designs might be nice for kids for a while. |
| I like the bouldering equipment. We don't need more soccer facilities like a kick up wall. |
| Diversity in activities that I think will be used |
| It does not provide a kick-up-wall for the soccer club. During consultation it was agreed that this area would not be for the soccer club use, however whether you call it a ball kick-up-wall, or a soccer kick-up-wall, this becomes an asset for the soccer club. Due to this fact and agreement by council, option one should be cancelled. |
| Easy for all age to exercise and stay fit |
| The warrior course. There is so little play infrastructure for teenagers in our parks, it is great to see this filling this space. |
| They provide for a range of different exercise activities |
| That is has a half basketball court |
| Design Option 2 would be great as I am parent of a player at Pascoe Vale Soccer Club. Having a space to do some exercise during training sessions would be awesome. |
| the layout |
| Level ground. Various activities for solo or group recreation activities. Activities for different levels of participants of all ages |
| I think children will have greater use of the space |
| This design provides the widest range of alternative activities for community members outside of soccer which dominants the reserve already |
| More of a broad focus, the whole reserve is way too centred around ball sports, it excludes a lot of the community |
| This plan has a bit of everything to suit lots of adults and kids. Love the interactive ball wall! |
| Everything! It is visually pleasing, but also very practical. They offer the local community a neat space, with loads of recreational activities. |
| It is encouraging outdoor play for kids in sport, there is shelter and different activities for people of all ages to do. |
| Community engagement and facilities that cater for all ages |
| Basketball court, aero skate and games |
| I think this upgrade will be for all families and their kids to enjoy! |
| Different kinds of things that all age groups can enjoy. |
| Parkour course and football area |
| The greenery, variety and BBQ space |
| Basketball court |

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| Something for everyone |
| It a fantastic space for recreation of sporting facilities |
| The amount of shade provided and the Community feel. Will help during the rainy winter months as well. |
| New, having half a basketball court gives more variety for children and adults |
| The parkour design is great because it is challenging for kids. We also enjoy playing chess in public. |
| basketball court is better than chess as many people in other parks enjoy playing basketball in their parks |
| I believe the design is an extension to the sporting facilities. The space provides for ample recreational usage and the half basketball ball area will again add valuable youth recreational activities. |
| access to basketball facilities. |
| It can be a space used by all ages |
| There are none such Parkour in the area |
| Everything. It's a place for kids to be kids. |
| Sport |
| I like that they have seating and shade and encourage sport and activity other than soccer. |
| I like the openness of it |
| Calisthenics equipment, and outdoor green spaces to gather and sit that provide shade |
| Inclusive of a variety of various play stations |
| Basketball court and shelter |
| I really like the Basket ball court and what appears is less congestion in the design. |
| Half basketball court is more open and usable space for other activities. Chess board looks good however where will the pieces be secured\stored so it's usable everyday. |
| More activities for children are needed in the area. Boulderling equipment looks good for this. Shelter from the sun. |
| Basketball court, gives more variety of active sports rather than being single sighted on one code. Also gives variety for kids like to climb |
| Lack of soccer |
| Half basketball court provides for a different type of sport to be facilitated in the area instead of just soccer. The soccer club already has too much provided in this plan - how abot considering the needs of others in the community? My children play basketball and would use this structure. I would also not use the warrior course but would use the gym type machines. |
| Enables interaction of groups in team play activities in the local community setting |
| Both are good really, but I liked the active fitness area and table tennis. |

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| Lots of trees Lots of equipment to exercise Modernisation of ugly old park |
| I like the recreational activities offered in this option. |
| Everything |
| Basketball |
| Because of soccer |
| Lots of different activities |
| Chess & ping pong from Design 1 |
| More trees |
| Soccer |
| Park warrior course |
| Likes more space |
| No soccer |
| More active for young people coming out of covid |
| Kick up wall - connected to kid's sports. Park warrior course sounds exciting |
| Bit of both |
| Like the greenery |
| Park warrior |
| Drinking fountains |
| Do not like Ping Pong |
| From D1 likes Chess/Park warrior/Aeroskate and D2 Hopscotch/bouldering/basketball |
| The variety of options |
| It has more trees and prefer the layout |
| Its cool |
| Chess wouldn't get used if not shaded or maintained/fitness equip not used at other locations, likes the soccer kick up wall. Likes basketball and bouldering |
| Aeroskate game |
| Fence on soccer field not required/soccer club in bed with councillors/too much litter left on oval after soccer games |
| It doesn't have the soccer wall and prefer chess |
| Park warrior/has more greenery |
| I like basketball |
| I like the set up/not so rectangular |
| Basketball |

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| Basketball and shelter with communal table |
| Not focussed on soccer/more varied activities |
| Basketball, park warrior and aeroskate |
| NO kick wall, not happy with soccer club having the lions share of the space, people feel pushed out on match/practice days |
| Open space and activities |
| Open space |
| Not sure chess would get used/like elements in design 2 better |
| Basketball |
| Point of difference and variety for varying sports/abilities |
| Park warrior in design 1 and design 2 has a better layout using more of the space |
| All abilities |
| More things for kids/warrior course also/diverse needs and ages |
| Half BBall/half netball/more variety less soccer, include bins |
| would like to see both bouldering and ninja in same design |
| Neither design - both have elements needing too much maintenance, strongly opposed to "soccer" wall - too much soccer, strongly opposed to park warrior and Aeroskate both needing too much maintenance. |
| No soccer - ditto! |
| Likes the precinct more |
| More practical, useable, aesthetics and balanced |
| Better variety for all genders |
| Fun for children/teens |
| Basketball and other sports, NO MORE SOCCER!! |
| Love all ball sports thank you its great |
| My grandsons love to climb and kick balls around, this will be a good addition to the area! |
| Mix the designs up so there is variety of ball sport and climbing exploring |
| Some fun fitness stuff for all ages to do |
| Suitable for a child aged 4 |
| Trees |
| Trees |
| Prefer basketball and bouldering wall |
| Variety of elements that doesn't include soccer |
| Better variety |
| Variety of choices |

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| Likes bouldering |
| Bouldering play much better - more fun for kids |
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| No soccer wall |
| Nicely spread out, get kids out in the field |
| soccer/tennis wall |
| Option 1 - has the most amount of good ideas. Chess is the only unnecessary part of it. Instead, a ping pong table with a wall in the middle would be a better choice for people without a partner. People can always bring their own games to ply if they want, but table tennis tables are expensive and more beneficial considering it is the top level exercise for preventing dementia. The ball kick up wall is good but takes up a lot of space. Incorporating the basketball half court into it with hoops on either side and middle will make it a better use of space and more multipurpose for more people (with a few tweaks - option 1 is the better choice). |
| Option 2 - does not have much going for it except the fitness equipment, which will probably be covered in the park warrior course of option 1. The basketball half court can be incorporated into the ball kick-up wall (making it a better use of space and more multi-levels of exercise). The bouldering equipment is a total waste of space as it has no real purpose for being there. It is also very unattractive and will be a real eyesore in the park. So, option 1 has more going for it than option 2 (with a few adjustments that I mentioned that may improve it). |

Would you like to see any other changes made to the design examples?

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| Tables and chairs for group events? |
| More plants |
| <p>Question 4 was difficult to answer. Many people will not understand they need to drag three elements across to the right and this confusion may impact results. Poor survey design.</p> <p>Do you mean the whole new Hosken Masterplan broadly or just active recreation space?</p> <p>Broadly:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Too much car parking / impermeable surfaces which is a poor result of this plan. 2. Shared paths are not great for older people who feel unsafe. The paths through the reserve should be walk-only, but good to have paths for bikes around the outside for commuter cyclists. 3. I am concerned soccer club will use East Field for soccer training and not leave it for other users who won't feel confident to challenge the mainly male club coaches and players etc. Ensuring it remains free for informal / casual users and the future residents who will live in new Sheppard St apartments, and for dog walking will reduce tensions. This must be ensured through design. 4. How will you ensure the player's race to north field does not block east-west passage through the reserve on game days for casual and informal users of the reserve not associated with the soccer club? |
| Please refer answer to Q3... the options cited are NOT acceptable and council must think again. |
| <p>An Inground Trampoline would be a great addition for children of all ages along with swings with safety chains and Australian Rules Football Goal and Behind Posts to kick a football into as Soccer is more than very well catered for at Hosken Reserve with 3 Soccer Pitches.</p> <p>4 Toilets for both Men(2) and Women(2) plus a Disability Toilet definitely needs to be in the approved final design.</p> |
| Yes. A decent space for dog exercise and also for passive recreation for people who are elderly / have disabilities. Also enclose grassland at pellet st all way around verge to stop the illegal parking. And charge non-residents to use the car park and put time limit on. And make park alcohol free - including pavilion |
| Please include basketball court :) |
| No |
| No |
| No |
| Shade or part shade sails over the space or rest areas |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wanted to know the location of water fountain, asked for another fountain near the BBQ and wetlands. 2. Wanted to know what surface the tennis courts will be upgraded to. This isn't mentioned in any of the online literature. If it is sand filled Artificial grass that brings microplastics pollution, disposal problems, and possible PFAS contamination. 3. The Design of the active play area and east field should be dictated by amenity for future local residents from the large residential development east of Hosken Reserve, as well as amenity for existing residents. 4. Need to be more effort in traffic and parking management and cycling routes in the area. When PVFC events occur parking is a big headache for local residents and local roads in the vicinity are perceived as more unsafe to cycle on. 5. Mitigating urban heat of the car park. Trees planted along western edge which will provide canopy shade. 6. There has been a major problem of siloing, Hosken redevelopment should always have been considered along with use of Richards Reserve and the new residential development, and design |

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| of cycling through and around the Reserve and for the new residents. There needs to be a shared use path or protected bike lane down to Bakers Road. |
| I like the 2nd draft concept design |
| No thanks |
| A bigger ping pong table or 2 tables so people don't have to wait Shaded areas for summer heat and winter rains! |
| I'd prefer a basketball ring as i think that might get more use. And I feel like the soccer equipment will need more maintenance and therefore not work properly if not adequately maintained. |
| The bias towards soccer as shown in the illustrations should be removed immediately. The last thing that the community want is to have a kick up wall that would allow errant balls to interfere with other active and passive activities |
| Trees are great however there is no need to screen the soccer fence with so many as shown in the bottom left corner of both images (actual south east corner). The space inside the active area is limited and should be fully utilised by the community. |
| No wall kicked space, there is enough soccer up activities there already. |
| No |
| The soccer kick up wall should be removed. after the well-known history of this project and the conflict between residents and the soccer club, including it makes it appear that this active space is not really for the community at all, but just more space given over to the soccer club, who are already getting significant investment from this project and removing green space from the community. Please just use your brains and have some freaking empathy for a change!!!! |
| Ping ball should be included instead of skateboard activity. Plus Hosken reserve was an old football ground originally so consideration for some AFL goal posts on top/east part of open space with netting to allow all sports should be involved. |
| No, the bouldering proposal is perfect |
| no |
| Maybe a boulder climbing for the younger kids |
| I'd like to lose the soccer club. |
| Inclusion of native plants. |
| Lots of trees please |
| I would like for the community feedback to be acknowledged. Is this the only space with community equipment? It is very close to the soccer club and will feel uninviting to the local community to approach due to the proximity. The soccer club are aggressive and threaten the local residents. |
| No |
| It wasn't clear to me exactly where the new paths would go, but I would like to see a shared path (bikes and pedestrians) running from Baker's Road along Pallet St and wrapping around the whole boundary of the park. The shared path connection from Baker's road into Hoskens Reserve east of the school is essential and from here you should be able to ride to all the street exits on a shared path |
| No |

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| A combination of a half basketball court and play equipment (as ranked from 1-3) |
| no |
| Access to water taps and refill water bottles. A recycling station too for plastic water bottles. Sustainable furniture |
| Easy parking connecting all areas |
| That the impact of soccer is limited to ensure the soccer club does not dominate the reserve to the exclusion of all other users |
| More trees, less soccer fields |
| No. So long as there is enough space and activities/equipment for everyone to enjoy! |
| Outdoor bench seating and barbecue areas |
| No |
| Additional soccer activities in the recreation zone not applicable, club already gets enough. |
| No |
| No, design is so good! |
| No, only concern is theft of chess elements |
| Cafe |
| The design is fantastic |
| Activities which attract graffiti and loitering youths should be omitted. |
| I loved soccer pitch development as Hosken park soccer pitch is so poor compared with other soccer pitches in other councils |
| No |
| I feel like the redevelopment of Hosken will already be focussed on Soccer and so the addition of the ball kick-up wall in the active recreation space is unnecessary, when other sport and activities should be promoted. |
| Some shaded spaces and with seating |
| No changes |
| More Soccer stuff |
| More shaded areas |
| There needs to be more simple grassed areas to facilitate unstructured play, sport, relaxation and general running around. |
| No |
| Bbq |
| Active and adventurous play for young kids in the area would be great and could be incorporated into plan. The Royal Park Nature playground is a great example. Shade trees to cover the play areas. Signage to remind dog owners of their responsibilities near play areas. I see off leash dogs on play areas all the time at and near Hosken. Dog fouling also a problem there. |
| No references to soccer wishing 'community' areas |

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| Removal of street parking on games days in Pallet St - it is unsafe and difficult for residents. Also there are no toilet facilities and this needs to be included for community use - there are some in the football pavilion but are often locked so as a nearby resident when using the park we have to run home to go to the bathroom! |
| Adequate physical separation of different ball sport areas to minimize crossover and interference |
| BBQ area. Will there still be cricket practice pitches, they seemed useful. |
| Possible grass earth mounds to sit on. |
| none |
| Accessibility to the park |
| No changes just more seating |
| No changes just more seating |
| Added vote 1 and 2 to bball |
| A brick wall for tennis |
| More picnic areas |
| None |
| Lots of shade needed |
| Good lighting - mainly comes at dusk, water play would be good on hot days, picnic areas and benches. Do not like the soccer kick wall, dangerous for smaller kids. |
| We really like the basketball court |
| Seating with backs under trees/proper bench seats with arms, ensure it is maintained and kept clean |
| Needs better traffic management/speed umps on Pallett street, suggest a bench at the back, 2 lower baskets for younger children, wants well shaded areas - something for older people such as Bocce |
| Netball half court instead of basketball |
| Sports and equipment more orientated for females, eg Netball. Current designs too masculine |
| Chess would be good on either design/location is not great |
| Needs to have bins/drink fountain/seating/shade |
| improved lighting and seating |
| For all elements of weather |
| My husband likes it |
| Bins - keep them clean and hopscotch/chess is great idea |
| Rubbish bin plan/nest boxes/remove fences/no signage into Active Rec space from Soccer Club |
| Put chess into design 2, prefer more trees, seating, passive rec lens, take out fitness equipment and add more trees |
| No fence on the North Oval |
| Less soccer, more trees/seating/grass |

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| Aeroskate - Others in the area |
| Drinking fountains are very important |
| Planning should be done in line with residential development and future residents |
| Management of water storage and putting something in place - framework? |
| More benches and swings |
| Want to see different elements incorporated |
| More dog friendly area, dog poo bags available |
| Diverse needs should be catered for |
| Shade sails in the interim before trees grow |
| Concerned about school overuse/overflow and community not having access |
| Elements in both, needs a better combination |
| More path lighting at low level/allow for Aussie rules with posts/consider a skate park |
| Like to see more trees and facilities, wider range of activities for a broader group of users. Wants to avoid exclusivity in park. ie soccer |
| Add BBQ |
| Multiple picnic tables better than 1 big one |
| Masterplan - shared paths will be cluttered with soccer spectators |
| Soccer matches always dominate |
| Add park warrior into bouldering space, add park warrior to basketball space |
| Remove fence from the soccer ground |
| Doesn't need basketball, replace with a park warrior "mini" |
| Would like fitness in Design 1 |
| More trees overall |
| More shaded areas and bathrooms |
| Community space - trees, well defined path for walking - community open space |
| Want to make sure there is equipment for older kids. Differentiate from Merlynston. Want climbing and challenging equipment. Don't have kick wall - let's bring in other sports. Concern about closeness of the car park and how to keep kids safe in the active zone to ensure kids can flow and play between areas without then running through the car park. Safety risk - kids will run in that area. Can we move the cars? Relocate? |
| Drinking fountain, shelter, trees |
| No |
| No |
| No |
| No |
| No |

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| Need more pathways, more trees and retain mature trees. Install public toilets, bbq, seating/shade and remove corrugated iron from tennis courts fence. |
| More trees, plants |
| No |
| Water fountain for dogs |
| Multi-purpose court |
| No, good use of dead space. Forgotten space is the community open space (east field), perhaps seating and taps for dogs; revitalise the fencing. |
| Also like the park warrior course |
| Younger kids are excluded from the design. |
| Something for all ages. 2-year-olds to older teenagers. Don't forget all ages. Different to the Merlynston & other neighbouring parks, so there is variety for the community. |
| Traffic is main concern, doesn't like the soccer kick up wall, no club cctv on active rec area, no commercial advertising from club. |
| Already have outdoor fitness which is not used. No kick up wall. Gender-dynamic - intimidation and safety generally. Drug trafficking in area. Install picnic tables, bocci, agility course for dogs. |
| Signage - art piece - consult with artists in the care and connect with the industrial area. |
| Kid-friendly. Aeroskate - could be dangerous. Make unique for netball, skate, basketball |
| No kick up wall. Ping pong, if possible. Kids with disabilities - liberty swing. Accessibility - linear reserve, toilets - upgrade, netball lines on basketball half court. |
| No, looks good. |
| Access to public toilets and parent change room, not in the soccer club |