

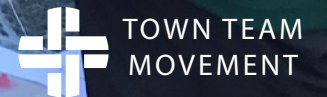
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# HEIDELBERG PARK PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES REPORT

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## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The City of Kalamunda is Noongar country. The City acknowledges the Whadjuk Noongar people as the traditional custodians of the area. The region is a significant meeting place to the Whadjuk Noongar and surrounding Aboriginal Nations who have gathered here for thousands of years.

The City of Kalamunda acknowledges and respects the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of this city and this region.



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*Imagine a city filled with opportunities of play and excitement;*

*You are overcome with feelings of freedom, chaos, creativity and trust.*

*People are engaged and the attitude is positive!*

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# Introduction

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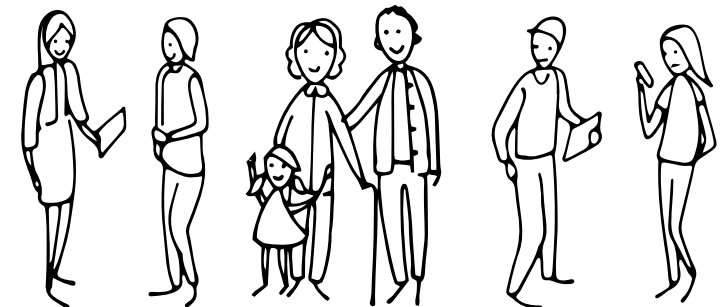
City of Kalamunda has employed the services of Town Team Movement to facilitate a community visioning workshop with the purpose of better understanding the community sentiment and popular land uses for Heidelberg Park. The public engagement was held on Wednesday, 19 June from 3:30 to 5:30pm located on-site at Heidelberg Park and approx 150 people participated in the exercise. The open workshop also included a free sausage sizzle hosted by the local Lions Club.

The engagement included an open funky sea container exhibition space with fun and interactive engagement questions and opportunities for the wider community to participate. The workshop was a drop-in exercise and all members of the community were encouraged to participate.

The engagement activities included:

- 'Dot'mocracy design elements voting exercise: Participants were to prioritise on the top 3 design elements to be included in the future development of the park.
- Ideas Mapping Exercise: Participants were asked to brainstorm appropriate land uses and activities and post them on a map of the park.
- Positive Ideas Exercise: Participants were asked to write one positive idea that contributed to the development of a healthy and sustainable community space.
- Co-Design Scenarios Game: Participants were provided with 50+ magnets with various design uses to support development of the park. People were asked to work in group to prioritise the top 6 elements, place them in the preferred location and asked how each element was connected to an overall concept design.

The following parts of the report outline the engagement results and recommendations.



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# Engagement Summary

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The engagement exercises were considered to be an overall success with approximately 150 people participating in the open-style visioning workshop and strong on-going engagement throughout the event. The infographic below provides an overview of the community participation.

**Approx 150 Participants engaged in on-going discussions about the future of Heidelberg Park**

**90 Responses to 'dot'mocracy design survey**

**Countless conversations, sausages and great times at the Heidelberg Park Community Vision Workshop!**

**82 ideas brainstormed and mapped on the park aerial.**

**21 Co-Design plans prepared by community members**

# 'Dot' Mocracy Engagement Outcomes

In addition to the elements listed below, participants decided to create two additional voting elements; Aged Care (17 Votes) and Public Toilet (1 Vote). In summary, the most popular elements included for the development of Heidelberg Reserve included an aged care facility, traditional playground and natural paths throughout the park.

## Enhancing the Natural Environment

Open Space Lawns - 6 Votes

More Native plants - 6 Votes

Natural Paths - 20 Votes

Water Sensitive Urban Design - 2 Votes

**TOTAL VOTES: 34 VOTES**



**Natural Paths - 20 Votes**

## Active Spaces

Nature Play - 9 Votes

Traditional Sports Grounds - 0 Votes

Bmx Trails - 6 Votes

Pet Friendly - 8 Votes

**TOTAL VOTES: 23 VOTES**



**Nature Play - 9 Votes**

## Meeting Spaces

BBQ Area - 7 Votes

Large Central Hangout Space - 1 Votes

Traditional Playground - 16 Votes

Pergolas & Seating - 3 Votes

**TOTAL VOTES: 27 VOTES**



**Traditional Playground - 16 Votes**

## Access & Inclusion

Wayfinding - 0 Votes

Lighting - 5 Votes

Clear & Wide Accessible Paths - 0 Votes

Sensory Design i.e. Orchards - 2 Votes

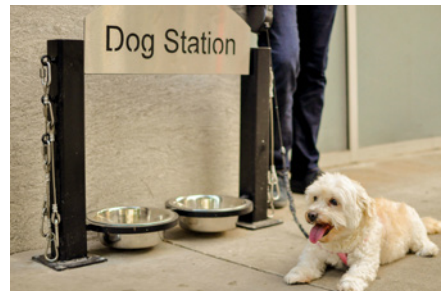
**TOTAL VOTES: 7 VOTES**



**Lighting - 5 Votes**



**Native Plants - 6 Votes**



**Pet Friendly - 8 Votes**



**BBQ Area - 7 Votes**



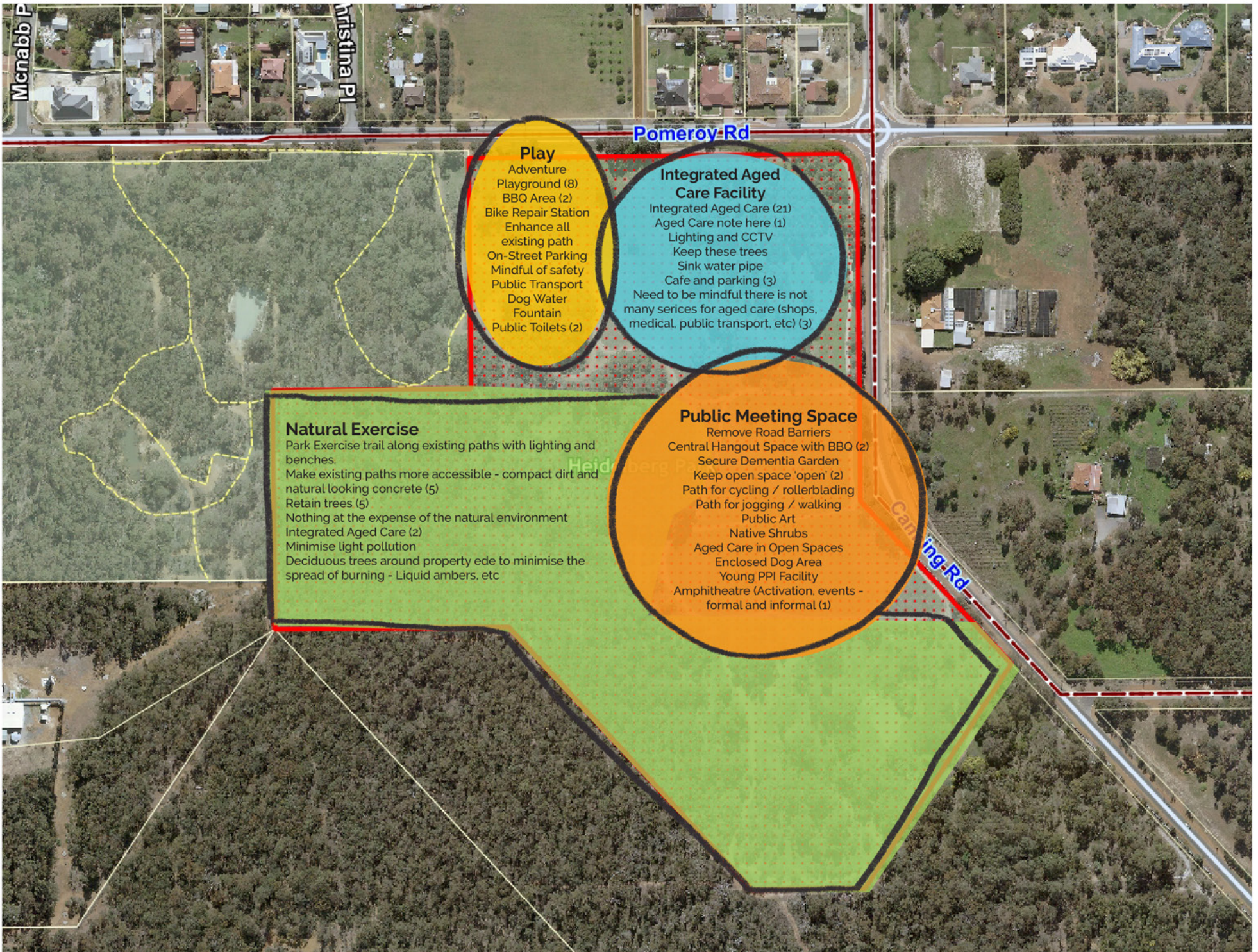
**Sensory Design - 2 Votes**

# Ideas Mapping

Participants were asked to brainstorm new ideas to develop the park and place the ideas on an aerial to show where the ideas should be located. As a result, 82 ideas were posted and four spatial themes emerged, including integrated aged care, natural, play and a central meeting space. The most popular ideas included aged care, playgrounds, natural paths and retention of vegetation, which is consistent with the 'dot'mocracy mapping exercise.







### Play

- Adventure Playground (8)
- BBQ Area (2)
- Bike Repair Station
- Enhance all existing path
- On-Street Parking
- Mindful of safety
- Public Transport
- Dog Water
- Fountain
- Public Toilets (2)

### Integrated Aged Care Facility

- Integrated Aged Care (21)
- Aged Care note here (1)
- Lighting and CCTV
- Keep these trees
- Sink water pipe
- Cafe and parking (3)
- Need to be mindful there is not many serices for aged care (shops, medical, public transport, etc) (3)

### Natural Exercise

- Park Exercise trail along existing paths with lighting and benches.
- Make existing paths more accessible - compact dirt and natural looking concrete (5)
- Retain trees (5)
- Nothing at the expense of the natural environment
- Integrated Aged Care (2)
- Minimise light pollution
- Deciduous trees around property ede to minimise the spread of burning - Liquid ambers, etc

### Public Meeting Space

- Remove Road Barriers
- Central Hangout Space with BBQ (2)
- Secure Dementia Garden
- Keep open space 'open' (2)
- Path for cycling / rollerblading
- Path for jogging / walking
- Public Art
- Native Shrubs
- Aged Care in Open Spaces
- Enclosed Dog Area
- Young PPI Facility
- Amphitheatre (Activation, events - formal and informal) (1)

# Positive Ideas Exercise

## One Positive Idea to improve Heidelberg Park...

An integrated aged care facility to fit in with existing landscaped environment (28)

Over 55's aged car facility (9)

Wide Path around site for cycling and rollerblading

Cafe (9)

A place for everyone - integrated design (6)

A pilot project for state of the art community use of resources - energy, water, etc

Increased level of natural flora, no industrialised areas

More introduced trails throughout flora (3)

Flat grassed area

Sporting grounds, bbq areas, pergolas and seating can be found throughout WA and the Perth region. Kalamunda needs to take pride in being different and take advantage of the hills and natural endowments. (3)

A copy of the mundaring sculpture playground with kids bike / scooter paths, bbq's and shade

Indoor heated pool / hydrotherapy facility

A local community - sense of place



# Recommendations

Based on the outcomes from the Heidelberg Park Community Visioning Workshop, key design recommendations are provided to guide the future development of the reserve.

**Key Recommendation One:** Define a vision statement and test with the community. Popular ideas from the engagement included

Integration of young and young at heart. Develop a space for the entire family to enjoy.

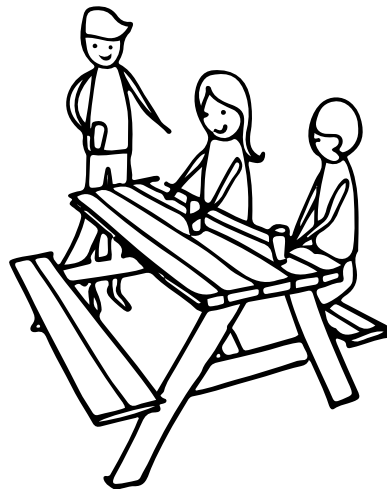
Taking advantage of the unique natural surrounds

A playful environment

A space for the community to come together

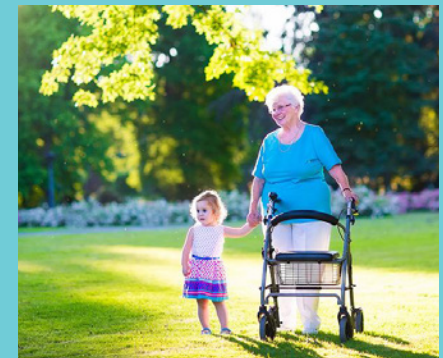
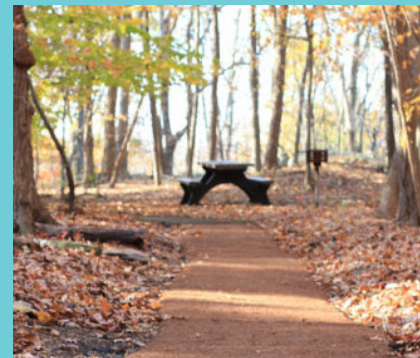
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- Workshop Comment



**Key Recommendation Two:** The various engagement exercises were consistent in their results. The community were very clear that the design elements should include the following:

- **Options for intergenerational living** - the elder community were very vocal that they would like an aged care facility and the ability to 'age in place'; and continue living in the Kalamunda area. However, other participants warned that the area does not have adequate services for aged care services. This will require further investigation by the City.
- **Retain the natural vegetation and enhance the existing natural paths** for improved accessibility. The City may want to consider continuing to use natural materials to improve the paving and ensure it is accessible for everyone to use. Benches under shade is also a desired improvement.
- **Develop an open meeting place**, which has adequate facilities to bring the community together including barbeque facilities, toilets, parking and shade. Retain an open space for large formal and informal events.
- **Develop a play space**, which may include traditional equipment, nature play and something for pets. Ensure it is located to maximise visibility and safe from the roads, which are seemingly getting busier.





A modular structure with a white interior and a colorful, geometric exterior. The interior features informational displays and a table. People are gathered around the structure, some looking at the displays. The structure is situated on a dirt area with trees in the background.

A yellow van with "KALAMUNDA" and "New Member Welcome" written on it. The van is parked on a dirt area with people gathered around it. There are tables with red and white checkered tablecloths nearby.

A red sofa and a yellow armchair. The sofa is a deep red color and the armchair is a bright yellow color. They are situated on a dirt area in the foreground.

# Appendix: Community Co-Design Plans





