

Your Say

Summary of Community Engagement

Fourty-two online surveys were completed during the community engagement period in September and October 2017, In addition 60 young people joined us at Terrey Hills Oval on Thursday 28 September for a pop up skate event to have their say. We received 3 responses that were against the skate park. They were related to vandalism in the area, anti-social behaviour and wanted the skate park relocated to another location like JJ Memorial Hills.

Other concerns were the park only being temporary and the use of materials other than concrete. Materials such as timber could not last in the elements, steel would be too noisy and if there were screws would that be a safety issue.

There were numerous submissions advocating a mini ramp or bowl but still having the ability to have a free flowing park with street elements such as quarter pipes, transition wedges/platforms, grind rails etc.

The majority of participants on the skate night were aged between 4 and 12 years and used scooters and skate boards. There were a small number of older (teenage/adult) boarders and riders.

What follows is a summary of comments received.

Theme	Number of Comments	Council Comment
Soft area for kids to practice	1	Unlikely as surface requires a specific smoothness to be deemed skate-able.
Wheelchair access	1	Path will be provided from car park Some elements will be suitable for wheelchair users
Location -JJ Hills Reserve	2	Terrey Hills Oval has been chosen as the location for this project to meet local demand.
Location Behind cricket nets	3	Site layout will be considered in the design stage. Cricket net upgrade will be dealt with in the Master Plan.
Lighting - Local residents want timer lights to prevent anti-social behaviour.	2	Sought advice from poice who advised against Installing lights
Shade	1	Unlikely in this design stage due to budget restrictions however tree plantings will be considered in the future master plan
More transport for access to site	1	Bike parking, possibly or access points in the Master Plan
Graffiti Wall	1	Idea included for consideration - anything offensive will need to be removed.
Fence off site to avoid to dogs	2	Not in scope - Signage update to explain rules about dogs and encourage passive surveillance with a contact number provided.
Surveillance on site	4	Not in scope – the community and users of the facility will take "owenership" of the park and through passive surveillance anti-social behaviour will be prevented
Concrete not wood skate furniture	4	Managing noise and choosing the right
Not temporary	3	materials will be considered in the design process within budgetary requirements.