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## Community and Stakeholder Engagement Report

### North Narrabeen Reserve Plan of Management (Stage 1 of 2)

Consultation period: 4 November 2022 to 18 December 2022

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# 1. Summary

Council is planning to improve sporting, community and recreational opportunities at North Narrabeen Reserve, including the Rugby Park commonly referred to as Rat Park (the Reserve).

In late 2022 and early 2023, we undertook a robust and wide-ranging initial consultation process focusing on individual and group values, aspirations, concerns, suggestions and specific requirements for the Reserve and its facilities.

This report outlines the outcomes of this first stage of community and stakeholder engagement for this project.

Between 4 November and 18 December 2022, community engagement feedback was gathered online, via a social mapping tool and comment form, and in person, via pop-up sessions at the Reserve.

Targeted stakeholder engagement included interviews, meetings and onsite inspections of the site with representatives of key user groups from November 2022 to April 2023.




Analysis of the map comments and stakeholder feedback has helped to reaffirm that North Narrabeen Reserve is highly valued for sport, recreation and as an informal community green space. A common theme in the feedback was to make the Reserve and its facilities more welcoming, inclusive, and accessible to diverse users including young people and children. This included reconfirming the need for female friendly change facilities and amenities throughout the Reserve, particularly at Rat Park (the Rugby Park). We also clearly heard support to facilitate a more flexible and multi-purpose use of the various spaces within the Reserve.

A range of suggested improvements to buildings, infrastructure and fields were provided relating to the various sports and other uses of the Reserve. We received suggestions for improving safety, access, connectivity, and active and passive recreation opportunities.





Some people expressed concern about over-development and the impact of any proposals on the existing landscape character and natural environment. Neighbouring residents shared knowledge of local issues to consider, in particular parking, existing drainage and flooding and the importance of existing native trees and vegetated areas that provide habitat for wildlife and as a natural buffer between homes and sporting games.



This feedback has helped us draft a North Narrabeen Reserve Plan of Management (PoM) including a Masterplan. The draft PoM will be publicly exhibited to allow further feedback prior to adoption.

## 1.1. Key outcomes

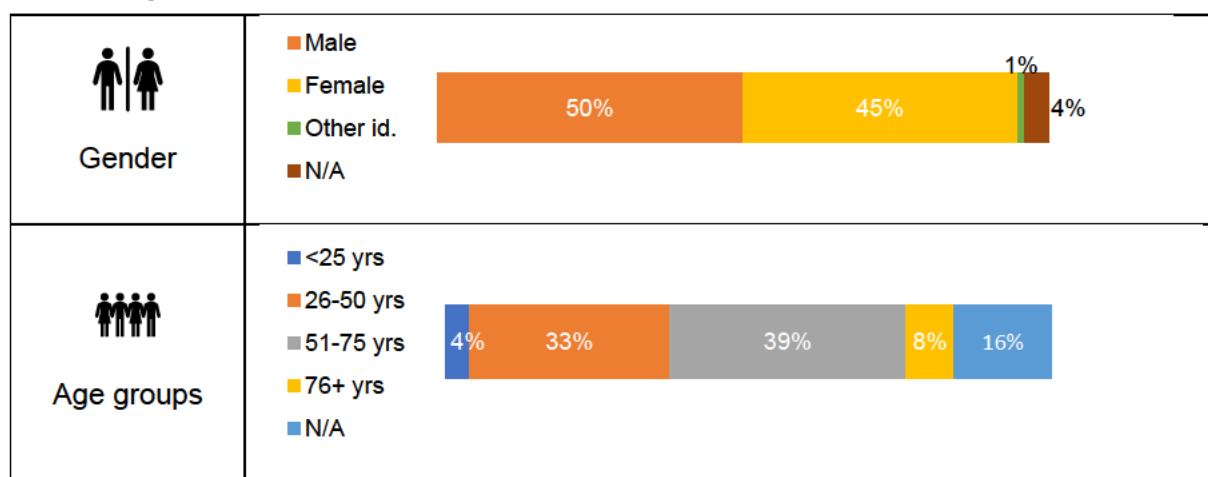
 <p>Total unique responses</p>	95 total responses	
 <p>How responses were received</p>	<p>Online comment form</p> <p>Written responses (email/letter)</p> <p>Social pinpoint map</p>	<p>Completions: 86</p> <p>Number received: 9</p> <p>Comments received: 253</p>
 <p>Feedback themes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunities to improve sporting, community and recreation facilities and supporting infrastructure</li> <li>• Safety, access, inclusion and connectivity</li> <li>• Preservation of green space and the natural environment</li> <li>• Opportunities for unstructured play for children and young people</li> <li>• Traffic and parking</li> <li>• Local resident considerations.</li> </ul>	

## 1.2. How we engaged

 <p>Have Your Say: visitation stats</p>	Visitors: 1,553	Visits: 2,072	Average time onsite: 1 min 32 secs
 <p>Social media</p>	<p>1 KALOF Facebook post</p> <p>1 KALOF Instagram post</p>		<p>Reach: 354</p> <p>Reach: 786</p>
 <p>Print media and collateral</p>	<p>Letterbox drop: 2101, 2102</p> <p>Site signs used: Yes</p>		<p>Distribution: 500</p> <p>Number of signs: 12</p>
 <p>Electronic direct mail (EDM)</p>	<p>Community Engagement (fortnightly) newsletter: 3 editions</p> <p>Council (weekly) e-News: 3 editions</p>		<p>Distribution: Approx. 22,000 subscribers</p> <p>Distribution: Approx. 160,000 subscribers</p>

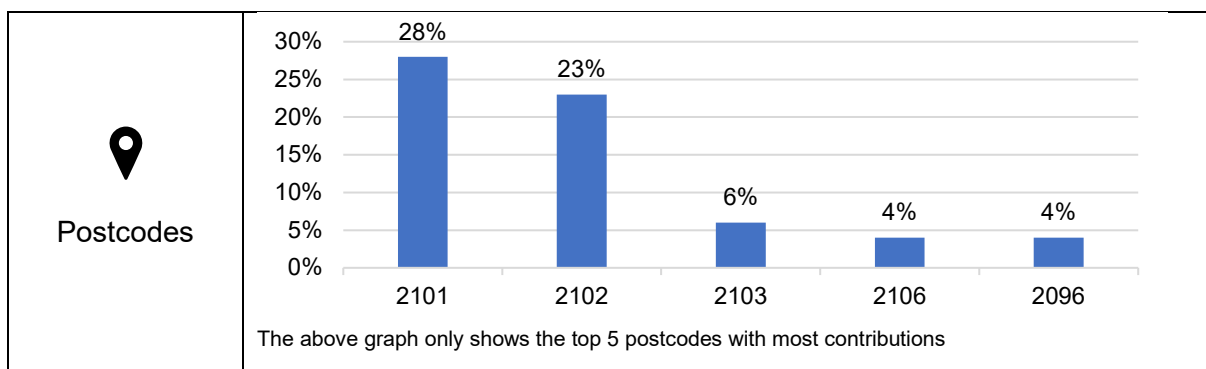
	The Wave Disability Newsletter  Stakeholder emails: To Reserve users, sports, schools and commercial operators	Distribution: Approx. 1400 subscribers  15 +
 Face-to-face sessions	Pop-up / Drop-in: 2	Attendance: 50 estimated
 Key stakeholder engagement	Meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Warringah Rugby Club x 2 meetings</li> <li>• Pittwater Baseball Club x 1 meeting</li> <li>• Pittwater Junior AFL Club x 1 meeting</li> <li>• Northern Beaches Touch Association x 1 meeting</li> <li>• Manly Eagletag x 1 meeting</li> <li>• Supertouch x 1 meeting</li> <li>• Pittwater Golf x 1 meeting</li> <li>• Market operator x 1 meeting</li> <li>• North Narrabeen Reserve Residents Group representative x 1 meeting</li> </ul> Phone calls: Follow up phone calls to the above and other key stakeholders as required.	

### 1.3. Who responded<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup> Demographic data was gathered by request only in the online comment form. The data represented only includes those respondents who provided this detail.





## 2. Background

North Narrabeen Reserve has been a major sporting facility since the 1970s, offering organised sporting and recreation for the region. It is also a venue for cultural and community events, and an important open space for local residents who use the space for casual exercise and informal recreation.

We want to consider and balance the current and future needs of all Reserve users and for the community while ensuring we are respectful of the surrounding bushland and natural environment.

The existing Plan of Management (including a masterplan) for North Narrabeen Reserve was adopted in November 2004. Many actions in the masterplan have been completed. In 2008 an updated Plan of Management was prepared and publicly exhibited but was never adopted by Council.

Subsequently, the development of a new North Narrabeen Reserve Plan of Management and Masterplan was included as an action within the Northern Beaches Let's Play! Open Space and Outdoor Recreation Strategy 2022. Upgrades to parts of the Reserve, including the market areas and to enable multi-use including markets and sports, was also included in the Northern Beaches Council Sportsgrounds Strategy 2017.

The actions in the draft PoM align with Council's current Community Strategic Plan and strategic directions and the needs and aspirations of stakeholders identified through the community engagement process.

## 3. Engagement objectives

Community and stakeholder engagement aimed to:

- build community and stakeholder awareness
- provide accessible information so community and stakeholders can participate in a meaningful way
- identify community and stakeholder concerns, local knowledge and values.

## 4. Engagement approach

Community and stakeholder engagement for North Narrabeen Reserve Plan of Management and Masterplan was conducted between 4 November 2022 and 18 December 2022, and consisted of a series of activities that provided opportunities for community and stakeholders to contribute. Targeted consultation with key stakeholders continued until April 2023.

The engagement was planned, implemented and reported in accordance with Council's [Community Engagement Matrix](#) (2017).

The project was primarily promoted through resident and stakeholder notifications, onsite signage, social media, and our regular email newsletter (EDM) channels.

A project page<sup>2</sup> was established on our have your say platform with information provided in an accessible and easy to read format. We included concept plans outlining the location of the Reserve and its key facilities, as well as a range of photos of the Reserve.

We invited people to share their feedback on an interactive map embedded onto the Your Say page. People could drag a 'marker' onto a specific area of the Reserve map, and tell us what they loved about it, how they use the space, and suggestions for improvements.

For those who preferred to provide their feedback in a comment form, an open-field comments box was also provided. Contact details for the project manager were provided should anyone have an enquiry or wish to send a comment via email or mail.

Two separate in person pop-up sessions provided occasions to chat with community members. One session was held during the Friday morning North Narrabeen Reserve Markets, the other at the weekend.

We also emailed and met in person with representatives of various sporting and community groups who use the Reserve spaces and facilities.

### 4.1. Reaching diverse audiences

A thorough stakeholder mapping exercise was completed to identify and understand the needs of the whole community.

It was determined for this project that it was important to hear from the diverse users of the Reserve, both existing and potential users, local residents, and visitors.

As we were keen to hear from local young people, we reached out to local schools to better understand how their students interact with the Reserve.

We included information about the consultation in The Wave, Council's Disability Newsletter, to reach people living with disability or their carers and understand their perspective on the improvements needed for the Reserve.

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<sup>2</sup> <https://yoursay.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/north-narrabeen-reserve-masterplan-and-plan-management>

## 5. Findings

Analysis of the community and stakeholder feedback has highlighted how well-used and important this Reserve is to residents, visitors, sporting and community groups.

A common theme in the feedback was to make the Reserve and its facilities more welcoming, inclusive, and accessible to diverse users including young people and children. This included reconfirming the need for female friendly change facilities and amenities throughout the Reserve, particularly at Rat Park (the Rugby Park).

A range of suggested improvements to buildings, infrastructure and fields were provided relating to the various sports and other uses of the Reserve. We received suggestions for improving safety, access, connectivity, active and passive recreation opportunities.

Some people expressed concern about over-development and the impact of any proposals on the existing landscape character and natural environment. Neighbouring residents shared knowledge of local issues to consider, in particular, parking, existing drainage and flooding and the importance of existing native trees and vegetated areas that provide habitat for wildlife and as a natural buffer between homes and sporting games.

Our review of feedback revealed some opposing views around certain issues, including about pathways through the Reserve's open spaces, concrete and synthetic surfacing, bike trails, lighting and the need for additional parking.

Issues, suggestions and requests raised during the consultation are included in the table below, along with our responses.

**Table 1: Issues, requests and other considerations**

Theme	Summary – What we heard: issues, suggestions, requests and other considerations raised	Council's response
Sports and recreation	<p>Requests were received for new and/or improved sport, community and recreation facilities.</p> <p>Some requests were specifically for facilities to cater for children and youth.</p> <p>Requests included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hockey</li> <li>- Cricket</li> <li>- Netball</li> <li>- Basketball</li> <li>- Tennis</li> <li>- Pickle ball</li> <li>- Touch</li> <li>- Baseball</li> <li>- Aquatic facility, water park</li> <li>- Playground</li> <li>- Outdoor exercise equipment</li> <li>- Cycling track, running track</li> </ul>	<p>The focus of the draft PoM is about better accommodating the needs of existing sport, recreation, community use and the needs of local residents with the addition of facilities for children and youth.</p> <p>A range of improvements are proposed for the Rugby Park for spectators, players, sport, administration and events – detailed within the draft PoM.</p> <p>A range of improvements are proposed for the sportsfields including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- lighting on Field 5 for baseball</li> <li>- upgrade Field 7 as a lit natural turf sportsfield suitable for a range of sports including junior hockey (training), football, rugby union, touch, junior AFL (training)</li> <li>- all weather synthetic surface on field 2 suitable for a range of sports including rugby union, touch, football (particularly small-sided football)</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bike park / track, skate park</li> <li>- Rugby Park</li> <li>- AFL</li> <li>- Rugby Union</li> <li>- Pony club.</li> </ul>	<p>It is proposed to create a dedicated children and youth space south of the Rugby Park. There will be further community consultation regarding what is to be included in the detailed design, e.g. multi-use hard court, playground and fitness equipment.</p> <p>A skate park is not proposed for the Reserve for a number of reasons including that there is a regional skate park nearby at Kitchener Park, Mona Vale and Council's current research indicates there is currently a higher priority need for more outdoor bike facilities.</p> <p>It is proposed to investigate installing/formalising a small scale bike trail area (that does not impede sport use) within the Reserve in line with Council's Let's Play! Open Space and Outdoor Recreation Strategy 2022.</p> <p>The request for an aquatic facility / water park at the Reserve is not included in the draft PoM. Council is intending to prepare a strategic document about the aquatic facility needs for the whole of the Northern Beaches in the coming years.</p> <p>It is proposed to investigate integrating cricket nets with the existing baseball practise nets.</p> <p>The former Pony Club building has not been used for many years by a pony / horse club or any other community club. Currently the building is used by Council to store equipment used to maintain the sportsfields. There is not a need to retain this building. It is proposed to demolish this building to provide additional space for parking – there is a need for more parking spaces particularly on weekends (when sport competition is held), on Market Days (currently on Fridays) and on weekdays during school sporting events. This parking is also intended to discourage parking in nearby streets.</p> <p>A dedicated cycling and running path is not proposed in the draft PoM however a range of improvements are proposed to</p>



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		the pedestrian and shared path network to improve connections and safety within and through the Reserve.
	Consider an all-weather multi-sport synthetic field and new sportsfields.	<p>It is proposed to investigate conversion of the natural turf playing surface on Field 2 to an all-weather synthetic field and to implement if feasible, required approvals are obtained and is agreed by Council. A synthetic field has greater capacity for sport training and competition compared to a natural turf field. It is noted that Council would not be in a position to progress this project until the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure releases its guidelines for synthetic sportsfield development.</p> <p>Field 7 is proposed to be upgraded to a senior size rectangular lit natural turf sportsground suitable for training and competition, increasing the capacity of this area for more sport.</p> <p>Field 5 is proposed to be lit, increasing the capacity of this field for more sport.</p>
	Differing views around a dog off-leash area with some wanting an off-leash area, however, more people indicating the Reserve is not suitable for a dog off-leash area.	<p>A dog off-leash area is not proposed for the Reserve.</p> <p>It is proposed to continue to prohibit dogs within the fenced area of the Rugby Park (except for a dog that is an assistance animal as per the NSW Companion Animals Act 1998).</p>
Facilities and Infrastructure	Provide immediate and longer-term improvements to the Pittwater Rugby Park facilities specifically addressing lack of female friendly facilities and amenities and promoting women's participation in sport.	A draft design for additional amenities including female friendly change facilities were exhibited for public comment in late 2023, separate to the draft PoM project. Works are planned to commence on this project in the 2024-25 financial year.
	Develop and improve the Rugby Park to allow for multi-purpose sporting and community use including more storage and more accessible facilities / amenities.	In addition to the new amenities, the PoM also includes proposals to upgrade the main entry and upgrades to gym and storage facilities. Expansion of amenities will allow for greater accessibility by the community.
	Consider improvements to the baseball batting cages to maximise their use.	Roofing for baseball batting cages for all-weather will be investigated and implemented if feasible as agreed and when resources allow.

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	Requests for more shaded areas.	Existing tree canopy will be preserved and selectively enhanced to increase provision of shade where appropriate. Enhancements will be informed by Council's Tree Canopy Plan 2023. Increasing natural shade is preferable to built shade structures.
	Ensure drainage and other surface improvements for the sporting fields to optimise their usability.	Drainage and playing surface improvements will continue on all fields as required.
	Requests for better maintenance practices.	
	Requests for public use facilities including BBQ and picnic areas and seating.	Existing public use BBQ facilities available at the Reserve are to be retained. Additional provision to be considered where there is demand and where resources allow.
	Requests for more public facilities including permanent rubbish bins, seating, and drinking fountains/water bottle refill stations.	We are committed to continued provision of waste bins to meet community, sporting and event needs as required. Additional seating and drinking stations will be investigated in applicable areas where resources allow.
	Provide additional bike racks adjacent to the sports club buildings.	Provision of additional bike racks has been included in the draft PoM.
Traffic and Parking	Consider additional parking requirements, particularly when events, markets, or night training are on.	Existing overflow carpark will be formalised with new sealed surfacing, lighting, rain garden beds and tree planting to meet some unmet parking demand and promote amenity of the Reserve. The additional parking will assist in accommodating all users including for events, markets, sports training and game days.  The draft PoM proposes improvements to the internal and external pathways of the Reserve to enhance connected pedestrian and cycling access.
	Existing overflow parking area should be formalised/sealed to allow parking and other uses.	
	Manage the impact of parking and congestion on adjoining residential streets, park/grassed areas.	In addition to the formalisation of the overflow carpark and other parking improvements, event organisers will continue to be required to manage traffic and parking as per agreed traffic
	Monitoring of illegal parking and fines enforced.	

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		management plans and to minimise residential impacts. Ranger patrols to occur as required and in line with available resources.
	Differing views regarding building an additional level in the carpark.	The commuter car park is managed by Transport for NSW. No future alterations are currently being considered.
	Requests to utilise the commuter carpark for Friday market days.	
Safety and connectivity	Greater consideration of public access and pedestrian connectivity to the Reserve and through its open spaces.	The draft PoM proposes improvements to the connectivity of the shared and pedestrian pathways.
	Requests to provide a shared path network throughout the site and around the perimeter.	
	Concern about stray golf balls from the golf centre can cause possible injuries to passers-by.	Options to be considered to upgrade tee-off facilities with new golf netting protection to control stray balls.
	Ensure ambulance access and adequate emergency infrastructure.	Emergency access and infrastructure (permanent and temporary) will be retained and improved as required. Existing emergency infrastructure is already accessible, e.g. there is a defibrillator adjacent to the Southern Sports amenities building.
	Support for improved lighting and implementation of landscape design for passive surveillance and consider CCTV to deter vandalism and anti-social behaviour.	Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design Principles to inform designs for crime prevention including implementation of lighting where required and agreed.
Inclusion & accessibility	Requests for more inclusive and welcoming recreation spaces and facilities.	An accessibility audit of facilities be undertaken, findings to be implemented as agreed and to be informed by Councils Disability Inclusion Action Plan.
	Provide female-friendly change rooms and facilities.	A draft design for additional amenities including female friendly change facilities were exhibited for public comment in late 2023, separate to the draft PoM project. Works are planned to commence in the 2024-25 financial year. The draft PoM includes improvements to the Rugby Park Eastern Hill and Sports North and South Buildings to provide female, family friendly and more accessible amenities.
	Provide accessible and inclusive toilets/amenities.	



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	Provide for informal recreation opportunities for all.	Existing spaces will be predominantly retained for informal recreation with improvements to accessibility and inclusion. The draft PoM includes provision for an inclusive play and youth area.
	Encourage community and music events for young people.	Open spaces will be developed and improved to cater for community events as per Council's Events Strategy 2018-2023. A broad range of appropriate activities and events are encouraged, including youth focussed.
Environment and green space	Concern about over-development and fragmenting of the green open spaces within the Reserve.	Existing bushland areas are to be retained and enhanced through tree plantings and native feature gardens including along park frontages where resources allow.
	Requests to minimise any additional hard, concrete or synthetic surfacing.	The draft PoM proposes modest improvements to the open spaces including adjacent to Field 7; formalising part of the current overflow parking area (including plantings) and the establishment of a playground and youth facilities (including plantings).  The formalisation of existing overflow carpark may require hard surfacing as may any additional formalised pathway networks to allow for inclusive, all-weather accessibility. Synthetic turf will be considered for Field 2. All required environmental assessment and approvals to be obtained.  Required environmental assessments will be undertaken and required environmental and other approvals will be sought.  Improvements to the overflow parking area will improve safety for pedestrians and drivers, resolve the issues of dust during dry weather, and mud and surface run-off during wet weather.
	Protect and enhance existing native vegetation for local fauna habitat.	Existing native bushland areas are to be retained and enhanced through tree plantings and native feature gardens along park frontages where resources allow.
	Protect osprey nest on sports lighting between fields 3 and 4.	The Eastern osprey is listed as vulnerable and is provided protections under the Biodiversity Conservation act 2016.  There are no plans to move the nest.



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		Should there be any disturbance to the nest Council will seek advice from the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Services and the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water.
	Consider flood risk and water management within the area.	All works will consider flood risk in the design stage.  We will review water management practices and where feasible, implement upgrades to drainage and irrigation accordingly.
	Encourage further sustainable development and facilities including the provision of solar panels to buildings and lighting.	Energy management practices will be reviewed and, where feasible and when resources are available, to consider energy conscious infrastructure improvements.
Local Resident Considerations	Concerns regarding additional levels to commuter carpark causing overshadowing of neighbouring residences.	The commuter car park is managed by Transport for NSW. This comment will be passed onto Transport for NSW for their information.
	Control of noise pollution to minimise impact on residents.	Users of the Reserve are to abide by relevant legislation including the noise guidelines and restrictions set out in the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997.  Users of the Reserve are also to abide by Council's conditions of use related to noise set out in Council's approval for use. Noise conditions are generally tailored to the user's activities, e.g. if a generator is to be used it is to be one that can be silenced, for major events organisers will be required to provide nearby residents with prior notification and time restrictions may be put in place to limit when noisier activities are held.
	Preserve passive open space as buffer zone for neighbouring residents.	Open space areas that provide buffers between residents and organised sport areas are to be retained.
	Concerns of sports lighting impacting on adjoining residents.	The new sportsfield lighting proposed will be designed to minimise lighting impacts (spillage) on nearby residents.  Users of the new sportsfield lighting will be required to have Council approval and to abide by the conditions of their approval, including time restrictions.

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	<p>Concerns youth spaces (specifically bike park) will foster anti-social behaviour near neighbouring residences.</p>	<p>Anti-social behaviour at the Reserve and the surrounding area will be managed by Council in partnership with the Police and the Community Services sector as required.</p> <p>The design of the proposed youth space at the Reserve will be informed by Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design principles.</p> <p>The proposal is to establish safe and welcoming places and facilities at the Reserve for young people to come together, have fun and be active. This is very important for their physical and mental well-being.</p>

## Appendix 1 Verbatim community and stakeholder responses\*

This section provides details of community input including:

- A. [Online Social Pinpoint comments](#)
- B. [Online feedback form comments](#)
- C. [Email submissions received](#)
- D. [Drop-in sessions summary of key feedback](#)

### A. Online Social Pinpoint comments

Verbatim comments received on the online Social Pinpoint map are listed below and can be viewed on the project page: <https://yoursay.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/north-narrabeen-reserve-masterplan-and-plan-management> Some respondents made multiple comments.

Number	Comment
1	Good to have a stadium available for games as well as special events like concerts etc
2	Great to have multi use fields for rugby, AFL Baseball, touch foot ball oz tag etc. Can cricket be considered as well
3	The Markets are a great activity but the deterioration on the feild it causes appears to be an issue
4	I know golf is a popular sport but is this the best usage for such a large area when other sports fields are in such high demand. Can the size of the range be reduced by putting a net up freeing up more recreational open space
5	Love the open space and how well it is used for sport and general public being able to play or walk or fly kites there Also love the open markets on Friday on the reserve!. I do not want to see fixed developments on this site
6	I like all the recent mature tree plantings - would love to see more
7	I value the opportunity to access Pittwater Rd from Walsh Ave (and to turn right onto Pittwater Rd)
8	The opportunity for pedestrian access through the Park (multiple)
9	I like the use of sustainable solutions eg capturing roof water for re-use - encourage provision of light coloured facilities to reduce heat absorption
10	A lot of kids ride their mtbs here and make little jumps. This is a big space. Council could easily build a pump track or a few "entry level" runs for kids to build basic bike skills, gentle berms and small jumps. We have bare creek for the super advanced and my Narra for the seasoned riders but nothing below that. And the make shift tracks the kids are making there anyway shows there is space and a desire for it from the young (and older) community
11	I like the amount of un-fenced open space available for general public use
12	would not like to see any additional land within the park given to parking
13	The surface of the publicly accessible sports fields is always of poor quality. The surface of the AFL field is uneven, with poor drainage and patchy grass. I moved to the area from Tasmania approximately 12 months ago and was surprised how hard it was to find a reasonable quality field to run on. I think these fields are a great asset to the community and would seriously benefit from an upgrade
14	Great versatile space
15	Love watching sport/rugby here

\*Personal details and inappropriate language have been redacted where possible. Spelling and grammatical errors have been amended only where misinterpretation or offence may be caused.



Number	Comment
16	Markets work really well here... be good to see how this area can be improved to help them expand.
17	Love the extra parking this development introduced and as long as it remains accessible for park users as well as commuters I think it works well
18	would love to have proper night lighting so baseball can be played at night as Aquatic baseball can't cope with rain and the growth of the sport.
19	I am sure developing a pittwater aquatic centre in this great space would add enormous amenity to the area (much more relevance than the golf useage). A 50 metre pool is not available in the Pittwater and would fit in well with the preceint. It would also allow some clever deign to increase the usage options around this space.
20	A pump track or entry level progressive jumps would be an ideal addition to the reserve. There are no biking facilities for the local children.
21	The driving range is perfect where it is.
22	Commuter car park is awesome. Makes the daily commute to the city a breeze.
23	Entry and Exit from the parking on Market Days via Walsh Street only is very congested and all surrounding streets become gridlocked. It would be good to look at alternative/additional options to enter or exit the market. A wonderful, much loved market
24	How about a designated dog training area, Deep Creek is not enough for the many people wishing to train their dogs
25	The "Key facilities" map you have attached to this page shows that "Field 7" (directly to the south of the main Pittwater Rugby Park stadium field) is marked as a "Playing Field". I would strongly argue the this 'playing field' is in no state to play ANY sport on and has been like that for at least 5+ years. It's a pot-hole ridden dirt patch that has been left, dissapoinotingly, in this condition for far too long by this council.
26	A great idea would be to improve the "lighting facilities" that surrounds field 6, especially for AFL. The bulbs are quite often not working and are not pointed in the right direction. An additional light tower located near the Narrabeen Reserve Sports Amenities South (#16) would make this even better, for night training during winter times, as well as the possibility for night games for the kids. Better lighting would also be beneficial to the touch footy comps as well.
27	What they've done at Lionel Watts is amazing. Bike path, wet weather surface, skate park, basketball courts. Helps make it really family friendly
28	Rat Park is the Premier use on site with all supporting recreational facilities working in partnership to create a sporting excellence centre for the northern beaches, including the golf centre. there is oppotunity to redevelop the grand stand as a commercial/function centre space and areas immediately adjoining the entrance with complementary uses for sports training and rehab e.g. allied health and sports training areas including say a small pool for rehab & recovery.
29	Making use of this area for a beginner mountain bike track or single trail is a great idea. The kids use it now already which clearly flags the need for it.
30	A designated dog walking area here would be great. Currently dog owners use the main fields and walk dogs off leash. This area could be a designated off leash area
31	These fields need lighting desperately. This would open the fields to more use for Baseball and then junior rugby training grounds during Rugby seasons.
32	These fields need to refurbished back to usable space for games and sports. The current use as an over flow carpark defeats the purpose of this being fields.
33	All the fields need a proper resurfacing and drainage plan to ensure this is a usable space. The fields are constantly used but poorly maintained by council. is it possible to put some designated mini fields in the middle of the Two Rugby ovals and AFL grounds? This could mean a more definitive use to help keep them in good order.
34	The rugby oval is great.
35	Toilets on the eastern side of the rugby oval are necessary.
36	Rat park is a fantastic venue for Rugby! During the rains this year the paths all flooded around the fields. Some new drainage or path options would be great to ensure the hill can be accessed without wet feet!

Number	Comment
37	What happened to the pony club. It would be good to see the pony club reestablished.
38	A concrete path from the stairs and walkway from Sydney Rd would be great to connect the Baseball fields and rugby ovals. Currently the fields are inaccessible for Prams/disabilities as there is no path. Additionally the eastern side of the fields always floods so a path joining Sydney road to the fields would be essential in the future
39	A lockable garbage bin storage area is essential to stopping rubbish bins being misused and tipped over and rubbish flowing into the lake. Council should provide a lockable bin storage area to support the community sport clubs.
40	Synthetic HOCKEY FIELD please
41	These fields are a great playing space used regularly by AFL, Touch Football, Rugby etc and need to stay as such, however they do need an improvement in drainage to allow all year use and an upgrade for this.
42	Agree. A concrete path from the Sydney Rd stairs along the side of the field is much needed for easy access for wheelchairs and prams etc.
43	a fenced dog area anywhere here is greatly needed. not everyone wants to go to Careel Bay or Belrose
44	I like to use this area to access Pittwater rd. or the parking area at lights. Since the new markets has taken over that whole area on a Friday, it's impossible, then having to drive over muddy fields to get back out is a nonsense.
45	Field 5 desperately requires drainage and lighting to playing standard to allow increased usage of these fields for training and games.
46	The newly constructed batting cages have been a big hit (pardon the pun) for local baseball and softball however are seriously under-utilised due to the facility not being covered from the elements (rain and heat). A roof over this structure would not only increase usage significantly but also assist in reducing annual maintenance costs by reducing weather damage.
47	Need toilets on eastern side of Rat Park
48	I love this area just as it is, great for running and it's free. In 2016 after my Disability Support Pension was cancelled and no longer could afford use of the Sydney Academy of Sport this oval was required. I believe being able to exercise for free when living in poverty on the Northern Beaches is pretty special.
49	This is the ideal spot to include an out door heated olympic swimming pool for the public. Pittwater does not have a public swimming pool and it is very much needed. The rock pools are great but not always accessible. The sports academy pool has been closed to the public with no intention to reopen. There is nowhere for the Pittwater community to swim without traveling up to 50mins to the nearest public pool. Please consider a Public Pool.
50	A great facility for all Northern Beaches golfers and for young and old on the Pirate mini golf setup. This complex is well utilized and keenly supported.
51	Some views seem to dismiss golf as an important sport or activity. This view is quite misguided given the number of people who play it and the health benefits associated. The number of playing golfers vastly exceeds say, the number of people using community swimming pools.
52	I would like to see a pathway that travels around the outside perimeter of the whole area, as has been done at Lionel Watts, Belrose. This would make the area an all inclusive shared area allowing those with wheelchairs, disability walkers, scooters, etc access to exercise and socialise. The Lionel Watts pathway has been a great success with little to no upkeep required.
53	Great chance to build a nice area for young toddlers to learn to ride bikes in a safe environment maybe something like what's in Sydney Park.
54	Maybe a walkway around the fields
55	Toilets needed on the hill for events in rat park
56	This area of Rat Park is in very poor condition. It is currently used as an overflow car park and the field is pretty much either dust or mud. This gritty material covers our property. The council needs to either seal this part of the park as a car park or re establish it as a field and keep cars off it.
57	The old Pony Club building is currently used to store council sporting equipment. It is also used as a toilet. Not inside, just around the outside. It looks like a toilet block and attracts urinators and even defecators at all times of the day and night. It stinks. It is also a regular target for



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	local taggers. It must cost the council a fortune in graffiti removal. A good solution would be to remove this building and build another shed inside the fence.
58	I love the rugby, I love FootballSSG and I loved the music events that have been held on Rat Park 1. Music festivals should be encouraged at this venue.
59	I think we have enough space dedicated to golf on the Northern Beaches. There are 7 or 8 public courses and several private courses. This space should be dedicated to more popular sports such as football.
60	We need a pool complex. Sadly lacking up this end of the Northern Beaches
61	We need more live music events for young adults!
62	Golf requires a huge area for comparable few 'players'. This huge area could be used by much more people if it would be a multi-use grass field (with proper drainage). There are several golf courses on the northern beaches that have excellent facilities.
63	Love the parking and also the amenities. Thank you!
64	parking congestion is a real issue here. Consider making it one way to eliminate cross flow of traffic.
65	during summer soccer the grass seemed to hold better than some of the other soccer fields.  Maybe some water sprinkling in the morning could make it even last longer.
66	a path/ walkway all around could make this a nice walking, running track. Smooth surface could also support kids scooters.
67	great to have a defibrillator here.
68	this path is not catering well for pedestrians and cars at the same time. It would be good to have cars go only one way.
69	there is no public access from this side. It would be good to have public access from all sides.
70	This roof should be full of solar panels to harness all the free energy.
71	Parking here is a nightmare, unfortunately it is also needed. I suggest remaking the roads to a long oval form where cars can park diagonally in the middle. One way street around.  This would create a safe island in the middle and also not require cars to do u-turns.  Cars in the middle could even have a solar panel roof.
72	I value the left turn lane.
73	the on-demand busses should have their dedicated parking slots so that the drivers do not require barricading after their shift.
74	all in all I think this is a great area for people - young and old and it is important that we keep it that way. While we use cars to get here, I would not like to see making more room for them. (And yes, I mostly come by car).
75	Various play equipment scattered through out the park would help occupy children that are 'watching' or 'waiting'. Need to be in strategic places, so children can play close by to where their parent is watching their other child's game. Adult exercise equipment would also be amazing scattered around a perimeter track.
76	I would appreciate the mound around the stadium field continuing all the way around. The gap on the eastern side amplifies the sound especially from the loud speakers and goes directly to the houses on Sydney Rd and Narrabeen Park Pde. Bagpipes blasting our homes for 3 days was excruciating.
77	Aquatic Centre would be incredible here, easy accessed from Pittwater road
78	Love the much needed planting of mature trees along Walsh Street to provide shade.
79	I agree a fenced off leash dog area would be a great addition to this space.
80	I agree that an aquatic centre with a 50m pool would be an amazing addition to this space.
81	I agree a walkway/bikepath around the perimeter of the park would be a great addition for the community.
82	An off-leash dog exercise area would be great here, as it's away from roads and is not used for sport

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83	Indoor/outdoor aquatic centre would make more sense than golf. The ocean is great but a public pool for all weather is greatly needed for the upper Northern Beaches.
84	A cycleway with play equipment stops would be awesome for everyone. There really are not many options for kids to cycle away from main roads and with a smaller loop. the lake is too big for small kids.
85	A concrete path around the fields would be great for kids learning to ride their bikes and scooters as it's a safe area away from roads. Would also be great for wheelchair / pram access and also pedestrian access when the fields get boggy after rain.
86	A playground would be great, especially for young kids waiting while their siblings are playing sport. Preferably with shade - there is not enough shade around here
87	Can anything be done about the extremely aggressive magpies that live and breed here. They have been terrorising people in swooping season for years, from the club house to the commuter car park
88	Allowing car parking on this area (especially when the ground is soft and wet) has ruined it, to the point where you wouldn't play sport on it in its current state. Also, when the ground is wet there is a huge amount of dirt that is driven out onto Walsh St when the cars leave, which just ends up in the drainage pipes and clogs them up. There is not much fall in the pipes from here to the lagoon, so they clog easily.
89	Can the old timber railing be removed? It doesn't stop kids from getting through and there are no horses here any more. It's just annoying for people to carry all their gear (like gazebos for shade) from the car. Then link the concrete path with a concrete path around the fields.
90	A playground would be good
91	It would be great to have an access path from here to Pittwater Rd, along the northern side of the golf driving range. It could link with the path between the houses up to Arnott Cres. For people walking between Warriewood Beach and the B-line, cinema etc, it is much more pleasant and safer to walk on the field rather than along Arnott Cres
92	There need to be more toilets, publicly available every day as well as when the sports games are on. Some people get so desperate they relieve themselves amongst the trees on the eastern side. I've even found used toilet paper inside my property, where they've come in through my gate
93	The newly planted trees are great.
94	Outdoor exercise equipment along a path around the fields would be awesome. There are already a lot of people who run around the field
95	Activating this whole park for walkers and exercisers would be great. Used it a lot during lock down, but there were limited places to walk apart from on the roads. Some new walking paths connecting existing footpaths/entrances and some exercise stations would be great additions.
96	Thank you to Council for the tree plantings along Walsh Street - they will beautify the area as they mature and provide shelter for spectators.
97	Can we add another level or 2 of parking here and stop the parking on the western side of rat park (where the pony club is) it would be much nicer to keep all the parking together and I would think probably cheaper? Then the area near the pony club could be allowed to grow and used as fields.
98	These fields are in need of repair. Please stop allowing parking here and build up on the existing b line parking station if further parking spots are required.
99	Would love to see an off leash dog area
100	This is a dead under utilised area. As there are no all weather outdoor courts at Rat Park this area could be used as a pickleball centre and 6 courts could be installed. Pickleball is one of the world's fastest growing sports and the Northern Beaches now has the 4th biggest club in Australia. Installing more courts (like at Avalon) is needed to support the growth of the sports
101	Within this area Pickleball is in demand. This would be a great location.
102	Installation of solar panels and batteries to power the lights at night would be a great idea.  Furthermore.. how about a trial of a community battery for the homes surrounding the park and area... there is good space here for one.
103	Could Northern Beaches Council please replace it's fossil fuel burning maintenance fleet of tractors, lawnmowers and whipper snippers with cleaner electric models. I'm aware council is



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	burning more fuel when keeping grass cut around each of the many new trees planted in the Park.
104	Rat Park should be substantially redeveloped such that it could provide an up to date facility suitable to host sports at all levels (including A-League, W-League, NRL etc!)
105	This area is monopolised by relatively few users
106	Golf is a hugely popular sport on the Northern Beaches and caters to all ages. Please upgrade the facility including tee off bays, grass area (visually looks horrible) and encourage the operator to spend more on the appearance of the place. They could include golf range activities similar to "Top Golf" on the Gold Coast to attract more visitors
107	Field #2 is one of the only fields on the NB that retains the rugby posts. For those want to practice kicking or drills in the off-season perhaps posts could be left up on other fields.
108	I'm not convinced. Asking Northern Beaches Council to manage even more recreational area's in Narrabeen/ Warriewood could be troublesome, for example the overused trail Jamieson Park, Narrabeen and Narrabeen lake/ Lagoon which is too shallow.
109	Great idea about dog off leash area
110	PLEASE can we make a community garden? We'll need access to water (water board service nearby), water tanks? Shed? PLEASE! There is so much sunshine in this part of the park.
111	Love the free parking hear, one of the few places to pull up and Park on the Northern Beaches LGA without feeling you've been done for fraud.
112	The whole area has huge potential- Market area carpark- install lights & upgrade field for all sports. Training area instead of trashing other fields. Golf range- upgrade to a sports field along with pool & community sport Centre. Small hotel so athletes can stay if using facilities. Income for council to pay for upkeep of facilities. Bike racks near club houses. For all the spoilt kids who own electric bikes. Careful with landscaping to shelter clubhouses as it attracts vandalism.
113	Have an artificial surface suitable for hockey
114	The market area has been operating for 12 years on a Friday and continues to be very popular.  We would like to see permanent covers for the stalls to provide cover for stall holders (preventing time spent setting up marquees and reducing risk with windy events). These could be put to other uses such as covers for cars for people visiting the sports grounds . Eumundi town markets did this with great success.
115	Please do not add extra levels on the car park. As a nearby resident it would overshadow our homes
116	Attention [REDACTED], Mayor  As a Local Resident, we need a safe place to meet, exercise and swim with family and friends. Please consider a Lagoon heated pool with water parks, like the one at Airlie Beach, QLD. Great also for Tourists and helping Local Business with this project. See attached example; image. Thanks! Await reply asap.
117	This street is used by many to park (illegally) for the markets on Fridays. Recommend installing barriers and creating a walkway/sidewalk for people to use to walk from the parking lots in the rear to the Markets/Sporting events. Please consider enforcing illegal parking, as it impedes the current walkway.
118	There are no other "driving ranges" on the Northern Beaches where people can learn to golf. The closest alternatives are Terrey Hills or Chatswood. Eliminating this range would be senseless and unnecessary. The bays are packed on the weekends with people learning to golf. Would recommend updating the facilities, if possible. The drainage on the range is horrendous.
119	Some toilets on the eastern hill would be ideal.
120	A large Community room(s) could be built above the current ground floor room/bar, with a viewing platform (glass) over Rat Park cut into the back of the grandstand - Sydney Uni rugby has a great example of what could be achieved.



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121	Make this area a smaller centennial park. Have paths for walkers/riders, gardens, kids water play areas and dog off leash areas throughout. The space is not very community friendly at the moment
122	Why is this area not used for sports? All that happens is cars ripping up the area when wet. I do not see that this area fulfils any function in the current form. Could this area and area 15 be combined to a functional rugby or soccer field?
123	There is no clearly marked safe pedestrian walkway. The current poorly marked walkway marked by no paring signs is used by vehicles which seem to have immunity from financial penalties. This lane way is a potential pedestrian killing zone.
124	Why do commuters with opal card not pass through the boom gates and park?
125	I'd love to see a proper Aquatic Centre build here, or nearby. The nearest facilities are at Frenchs Forest (WAC) and the Sports Academy which is a very part-time operation. Given the development at this end of the peninsula we now need something of the standard of the Boy Charlton pool at Manly. Suggest the area used currently for mini golf be turned into a full on aquatic centre, with exercise areas, cafe, etc - Something that many more people in the community could utilise.
126	We need more commuter parking. This parking lot needs to be increased by 5 more levels! Residents are impacted by the over flow parking which is clogging up Walsh St and Collins St.
127	Move mini-golf to a nearby golf course (suggest Long Reef or Mona Vale) and build an aquatic centre here.
128	Option here for an (enclosed) off leash dog area.
129	Permanently locating the markets here is a good all weather solution. The area should be expanded to accomodate more stalls.
130	When used as carpark for markets during wet weather it is either unusable or closed. Need an all weather solution for markets carparking.
131	Need a solution for Markets carparking. Add another level to this carpark?
132	As a local resident, I would like to make the following comments: 1. Please do not add additional levels to the carpark. The top level is not fully utilised now and would be a waste of funds. And of course the construction noise and dust is highly undesirable. 2. Yes to BBQ facilities and upgraded sporting infrastructure. 3. Also yes to basketball courts (including pickleball), swimming pool and skatepark 4. Improved security at the carpark, there is a real problem at night
133	I love the open space here. I would love a cycle path around the outside for kids. And also an open air pool also.
134	Parking has been a great addition here. Preferable all the parking would be co-located rather than taking up green space elsewhere n the reserve. Could more levels be added?
135	No more Parking Meters please Northern Beaches Council, I can't see how a couple of barbeque's, shade cloth, pathway and some scattered junk in the park would justify \$40 a day (peak) parking.
136	No further levels to the existing car park please. The top level is rarely full as it is.
137	A Pickleball court would be a great asset. The nearest are at Avalon and Dee Why. Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the world currently. Lets get more North Narrabeen people playing.
138	A further comment to the proposed increase levels of car parking. I note that someone mentioned they wanted 5 more levels due to parking in surrounding streets. Think of the people living at 1470 Pittwater Rd, any extra levels of car parking would overshadow our homes and remove our sun and light. A shade study would prove that.
139	How about a Queensland style dog enclosure. These work very well in Queensland. The dogs run around to their hearts content. Owners chat and those without dogs do not have to concern themselves with dogs running lose.
140	Re-instate the unlocking of the gate into the main field area back to 7am to allow access to the Club gym, as the current late opening does not give sufficient time to use the facility before work or other daily duties.
141	Perfect place for a Hockey Field. Please support a sport that that is supporting both girls and boys on the beaches for years.
142	We regularly visit the area to go to the Friday markets and enjoy a coffee afterwards. We would appreciate some convenient areas being designated as entirely dog-free, so that we can sit on the grass knowing that it is clean of excrement. Obvious places to make dog-free are sports

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	fields - dual-use football field and dogs' toilet doesn't make much sense. I'm sure the players would appreciate a clean field too.
143	Would love to have a grass running track for young kids and adults. Synthetic track at Narrabeen is in poor condition, being closed next year for repairs and is not good on young developing bodies. Amount of injuries in young kids is horrific.
144	We were aware that the area was sporting when we purchased our property and are happy to pit up with the general sporting noise. But the noise from the music event is unbelievable, almost shaking our property and that of our Neighbours. And it is the night before!!!! And they are testing!!!! All we can hear is an extremely loud and constant booming noise. It is deafening!!!
145	An enclosed off leash dog recreation area with agility equipment would be great.
146	Outdoor exercise equipment
147	We definitely need more live music events and festivals on a regular basis. The location is perfect to give bands a stage and can easily be reached with B line busses. (and yes, I live very close by, support art and wouldn't be bothered by "noise" at all)
148	Game quality lighting on field 5 (the dedicated baseball field) to allow for night games and training (helps us expand all our competitions)  Proper drainage solutions for Field 5, to make it more resilient to wet weather and increase playability
149	A roof on the existing batting cage structure, to make it weather proof.
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151	Create a pump track, small jumps or a trail loop for local kids to mountain bike.
152	Keep this as green open space! We don't need an aquatic centre or a hotel!
153	Please keep this as green space! The driving range is perfect and there isn't another one around!
154	Kids play equipment here would be great! Nice and shady!
155	Tennis courts here would be great!
156	It would be great to have some pickleball courts installed here! It is becoming a very popular sport and there is an increasing need for more courts on the northern beaches.
157	As a local resident we do not want another level added to the carpark, it is not managed well now. There is constant light pollution as lights are on all night which does not deter young kids from out of area and local congregating making noise, drinking, throwing trolleys off top level and damaging infrastructure. You need security! If council propose another level they don't have control or can manage as it is Transport NSW property. People park anywhere regardless of a parking station.
158	Our suggestion as do not remove green filed areas we don't have enough.
159	Maintain this Quiet Open Space as just that ... it is used by the baseball as warm up areas, by family groups for picnics and has a lot of bird life and wildlife that enjoy the trees. No need for any infrastructure in this area. The new tree plantation is fabulous. For those who are thinking it is an available space to build, it floods significantly in wet weather... hence it is best left undeveloped.
160	An off leash dog park is a terrible idea for this area... there is no parking, it is a residential area. Park is used routinely for cross country running events for all schools throughout the year. It is a quiet open space suited to picnics and wildlife.
161	As this area is under water several times a year due to flooding and drainage, it would be an inappropriate spot for any fenced dog enclosure. There is no space. It is a quiet open space due to the fact the sewerage line runs underneath from the Warriewood treatment plant, and the area will not withstand too much wear and tear.
162	facilities in this precinct cater very well for a number of sports. More change rooms to accommodate more females playing sports would be a great improvement
163	This area is not fully utilised. It is not suitable for sport even though it is called field 7. Turning this area into a synthetic field available for multiply sports would be a great use of this area



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164	This area after rains regularly is underwater. There is an easement that runs west-east and the sewerage system from Warriewood Treatment plant to the outfall. This easement would negate the possibility of building any structure in this space.
165	This field has been used for multiple car parking purposes, markets and Rats match day mostly. It's uneven and dangerous for playing field without fair amount of work and then restriction for any future parking. I propose a multi-purpose bitumen all weather car parking, netball and pickle ball courts.
166	The toilet block at North Eastern end of car park is too far away from the bus stop, Footy spectators, bus travellers on Friday & Sat nights won't walk to find the toilet block. Signage is non-existent but even if signage was wonderful the users of the bus stop would continue to use "the convenient bushes". Signage alerting public that this an offence & as a summary offence carries a maximum penalty of 3-months imprisonment or \$660 fine with a criminal conviction in the Local Court.
167	The the multi-story carpark was successful and utilised before COVID. Post COVID the carpark usually has vacancies above 100.  Increasing the capacity of this carpark is surely an inefficient use of public money. If additional parking is required, expand the parking at Mona Vale (Kitchener Park) or Narrabeen where users could leave their car in their own private garage instead of driving to a public carpark.
168	The stormwater drainage north side of speed bump continues to flood during times of heavy fog! Especially now that the markets have been relocated to this area can NBC please fix this issue
169	Shopping trollies from Warriewood Square are always left here. They are not collected each day, but rather litter the area for up to a week. Don't know who uses the trollies outside of Warriewood Square but the kids on a Friday, Saturday night really enjoy riding them up & down the pathways. I recommend that Coles and Wollies are forced to follow the same design rules used by Aldi - reward customers with a "Gold Coin" to leave the trollies at Warriewood Square.
170	A bike track and walking path would be a great addition to the area. Circumventing the entire precinct would be a good length, only parts are steep so good for all.
171	I love the peace and quiet of the wooded parts of reserve and it's a great haven for wildlife
172	As the beaches premier rugby facility, this should be enhanced as a dedicated rugby facility with tier one facilities; that do not exist elsewhere. Soccer and other sports have dedicated facilities on the beaches and rugby requires similar investment from a "regional" council such as the Northern Beaches.
173	Would love to see game quality lighting on the baseball field for training and night games since aquatic reserve is often unplayable due to rain
174	The batting cages desperately need a roof placed on top to allow use in the rain and to protect the facility from the weather.
175	Would love to see more seating available around the baseball diamond for spectators
176	Would like to see field surface improvement including levelling for safety of play, drainage for during wet periods and irrigation for dry periods.
177	Would like to see a new full size baseball diamond built next to the clubhouse. Including back netting and game play lighting to cater for increased demand, more flexible game times and will allow for hosting tournaments.
178	Would like to see a roof on the batting cages for use in all weather conditions and to help protect equipment from the elements plus prolong the existing structure and surfaces. The internal netting already needs replacing.
179	Need power and switch board upgraded as already can't run pitching machines since installation of electric bbq.
180	Maintain this scrubby area, it's always needs weeding, trees need trimming back from the baseball fields and grass areas are always overgrown which becomes a tick haven.
181	Fields need better maintenance practices given their constant use year round. They are over cut in winter under cut in summer. Not enough is done to keep grass coverage year round. The fields are nearly a dust bowl after having a record year of rain.
182	More parking needs to be made available. With the increased use of multiple sports most nights of the week more parking needs to be made available. Angled parking along the entrance to the rear fields is one suggestion.

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183	<p>Better drainage across the baseball fields and the football fields. My children both played touch footy and baseball this season and many games were cancelled or moved after a small amount of rain.</p> <p>The fields where drainage has been installed are fine so this is proof that the drainage can and does work.</p> <p>Also lights across the baseball diamonds, it seems like every sport has the opportunity to play under lights except baseball.</p>
184	A water fountain/bottle filler here is desperately needed.
185	A skate park or bike skills area would be a great addition
186	<p>There are some many young kids building illegal jumps in the area, why don't we provide a local facility where they can do some jumps, that is built by professionals to an appropriate standard? This area would be perfect for a dirt jump park. I am sure that local riders would be more than happy to maintain the facility.</p>
187	What about 45degree parking? Would fit alot more cars safely...
188	I would love to see some intermediate mountain bike facilities here some jumps and a pump track
189	It would be wonderful if Northern Beaches Council could consider constructing a fenced off dog agility area in this park. Children and people who fear dogs could observe animals and their owners having an awesome time.
190	Chronic shortage of car parking around the park due to restrictions in Walsh Street and the park itself. Cars are pushed into neighbouring residential streets already under pressure from parking for commercial activities, building works and parking for catching buses. More use needs to be made of the non-residential part of Walsh St.
191	Parking and traffic management worked well by contractors at the Music Event on 3rd December 2022. This is a model for the future.
192	Overflow parking into Collins/Berry St. Extremely inconsiderate parking manners for some market attendees on Friday mornings conflict with regular refuse collections. Many bins are missed due to being hidden behind aggressive parkers, requiring residents to chase the trucks. Market attendees regularly block driveways. No help from council rangers. Hope that increased usage 24/7 will be matched by traffic/parking controls 24/7.
193	Bus users too time-poor to use provided carpark park in these streets. Adds to clutter, reducing safety and impedes access to properties.
194	Rat Park is the spiritual home to Rugby on the Northern Beaches.
195	The area immediately to the south of Fields 3/4 are in poor condition and underutilised. Rugby mini fields should be established
196	This section is only used for (much needed) parking at Rats home games. I'd welcome this being completely overhauled and turned into an artificial turf hockey field - the Northern Beaches lacks a dedicated hockey field yet boasts large numbers.
197	Cover the roof with solar panels
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199	The area would lend itself perfectly to some bike tracks, jumps, pump track etc. This could also be complemented with some good native revegetation around the perimeter.
200	Would be great to do some Aboriginal interpretation about the history of the area. Given the extent of the precinct, there could be self-guided signage across the site. It could be complemented by native re-vegetation with endemic food sources used by Aboriginal people.
201	Would be a great place for a cricket pitch, with more needed in the area, can be shared with Baseball like other grounds in the area
202	This oval requires a surface upgrade (levelling and improved drainage) and improved lighting. It is an excellent AFL venue and should be available more for junior and senior AFL (particularly in winter) due to the scarcity of AFL ovals on the Northern Beaches.
203	A surface and lighting Upgrade to improve drainage so that it can be used for AFL training to reduce the burden on the oval to the south.
204	Erect rugby posts here to make another full size rugby field, along with quality lighting for night training and games
205	A strip of artificial grass along the front of the pavillion to avoid the muddiness that gets created there.



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206	Scoreboard operating system is from yesteryear. Update the scoreboard to a much bigger one that is easy to see from all angles of the ground
207	Turf cricket square installed here. IM know of one NB school that would happily contribute and help maintain it to play on Saturdays. Grade cricket and girls cricket could use on Sundays
208	Could it be time for Rat Park main to go synthetic? The technology now in making artificial grass for rugby is better than ever and more fields are popping up in this country. No games ever washed out or reduced number of games on a Saturday trying to preserve the pitch. Can play heaps of games (Grade, Colts and Schools) in a day and can host 7s tournaments, football and other events. Do it please!
209	1) These bushland islands are an important and unique home to many endangered local and visiting species of animals and birds (Tawny Frogmouths, Long Nosed Bandicoots, Black Cockatoos, Flying Fox, King Parrots, Ringtail Possums, Blue Tongue Lizards and many more) and need to be enlarged and maintained as they are a vital link for species to live and move between the Warriewood Wetlands and the bushland on Turrismetta and Narrabeen Heads. It is very important to exclude human activity in this area
210	2) This area between Pittwater Rd and Sydney Rd is an important easement belonging to Sydney Water with the main sewage pipeline from the Warriewood Sewage Treatment Works to the Turimetta Head outfall located underground with multiple access vents in the reserve. This area cannot be modified or built on as Sydney Water needs 24 hour access to the pipeline in case of sewage emergencies. It is in the councils interest of public safety that there is NO permanent pedestrian access to this area.
211	3) The northern section of NN Reserve is subject to regular flooding as it is part of the extensive Narrabeen Lagoon Floodplain and during moderate to heavy rain periods, a large lake up to a metre deep will form and take a few weeks, sometimes months, to recede and dry back to grass reserve.
212	7) There are 70 residential properties that back directly onto North Narrabeen Reserve. Local residents are very concerned about any change to the reserve that is too close to houses and would impact on lifestyle and amenity, so it is essential that the Northern Beaches Council inform, consult and work with the local residents to give us all peace of mind.
213	No development or changes on the Northern side of the American football ground since this is the habitat of Tawny frogmouth families (the other day we spotted 7!)
214	Field Hockey This site could accommodate 2 half size synthetic fields (image) using the latest environmentally friendly Gen2 surface catering to a multitude of sports. Hockey suffers from a lack of facilities for training and competition games. There are NO synthetic fields on the Northern Beaches for hockey. Field Hockey is Australia's 2nd most female dominated sport with 70% representation and ~750 local players across 6 clubs. The hockey community are ready, willing and able to commit!
215	If, as suggested, the site is used for parking then the design could incorporate two synthetic hockey fields above the car parking. This has been successfully done at the University of Queensland. <a href="https://uqsport.com.au/facilities/synthetic-fields/">https://uqsport.com.au/facilities/synthetic-fields/</a> And at the CBC in Adelaide <a href="https://www.cbc.sa.edu.au/about/facilities/sports-facilities/">https://www.cbc.sa.edu.au/about/facilities/sports-facilities/</a> With innovative thinking this space could satisfy community parking needs and support hockey (70% female) which has a chronic lack of facilities on the Beaches.
216	If used for parking as suggested, then the design could accommodate Gen2 synthetic fields above. This has been successful at the University of Queensland and at the Christian Brothers College in Adelaide. With innovative thinking this space could satisfy the community parking needs and support field hockey which suffers from a chronic lack of any facilities on the Beaches. The space would become a prime example of multi-use, community collaboration and supporting female sport participation.

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217	The whole area in the back here is so nice because it is just natural. A lot of ducks will stay here after rain. It might be nice though for a natural style playground that leaves kids still space to explore and fits into the landscape. Natural materials, wood. No concrete, please.
218	The whole Park is great just like it is. I like that everyone can do whatever they want to do. Kids can built ramps, people can walk their dogs, there are all kinds of activities going on. Please do not "overstructure" it like so many other areas are.
219	This site could accommodate 2 half-size synthetic fields using the latest environmentally friendly Gen2 surface catering to a multitude of sports. Hockey suffers from a lack of facilities for training and competition games. There are NO synthetic fields on the Northern Beaches for hockey. Field Hockey is Australia's 2nd most female dominated sport with 70% representation and ~750 local players across 6 clubs. The hockey community are ready, willing and able to commit!
220	The entry to the carpark and access rd are dangerous and unsuitable for pedestrians and traffic congestion at game change over times. A wider entry and dedicated footpath and bike bike path would increase safety and traffic flow.
221	This is an idea area for a PUMP TRACK.
222	Please install an ENCLOSED dog exercise area here. Many people illegally run their dogs already, understandably as many canine lovers in this area. The off leash area in Garden Street is not safe as I've seen dogs run onto the very busy road. Thank you.
223	Need a multi story car park to accommodate mostly Rat park crowds or just the markets and beach goers. This would stop congestion parking in the local streets and the old pony club field on Walsh street.
224	Something worthwhile desperately needed to be done here. It is just a mud trap in wet weather or ugly 'flow over' car park for the markets and various sporting fixtures. It needs to be aesthetically eye pleasing , gardens to attract native birds, play equipment for children, a kids scooter / trike track could wind through native flora. It would look so pretty strolling along Walsh street.
225	The parking here is ONLY for commuters using the buses. We need parking for the facilities!
226	Does the driving range need to occupy this huge site? Would love an aquatic centre an tennis courts to be considered to fit somewhere here.
227	Please no more paths, concreting or hardening of the park that will break up the valuable green open spaces. There is no point having an all-abilities path connecting to the Sydney Rd entry, as this access itself has steps and is not to wheelchair access standards.
228	Please do not break up the park's valuable green open spaces with more concrete paths in/through existing grass areas. If a shared path is essential then upgrade the existing narrow path along the boundary of fields 1 and 3 (i.e. along the Rat Park fence) not by fragmenting the existing expansive grass areas. The Park doesn't need more concrete and asphalt or the incremental intrusion/development of more built facilities.
229	Disagree. Please do not break up the park's valuable green open spaces with more concrete paths in/through existing grass areas, or fragment the Park with more concrete and asphalt or the incremental intrusion/development of more built facilities.
230	Disagree. There is a disturbing trend to fill public parks/reserves with increasing amounts of facilities to try and serve multiple purposes/users, until these areas become so developed/hardened and the intended activities/uses so prescribed (constrained) that the open space value of these areas and their utility to the general community/users is significantly diminished.
231	Or instead of yet another building better to make the existing facilities more generally available/usable - even if this means retrofitting/redesigning existing buildings.
232	Please no more fenced-off exclusive-use areas/facilities fragmenting the valuable open space.
233	Please no more loss of grassed areas and open car parking. The is a multi-storey carpark 200m away.
234	Please please no - this is a park not a parking station !!
235	Disagree. Please do not break up the park's valuable green open spaces with more concrete paths in/through existing grass areas, or fragment the Park with more concrete and asphalt or the incremental intrusion/development of more built facilities.
236	Please no more fenced-off exclusive-use areas/facilities fragmenting the valuable open space - including off-lash dog parks (a management nightmare for councils).



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237	Please no off-leash dog park (a management nightmare for councils) or other fenced-off exclusive-use areas/facilities fragmenting the valuable open space.
238	Please no off-leash dog park (a management nightmare for councils) or other fenced-off exclusive-use areas/facilities fragmenting the valuable open space. And as others have pointed out this area gets very very wet and is close to residences.
239	A junior mountainbike/BMX track would be a useful addition - as long as it doesn't come with additional buildings/structures. Local kids are already building informal jumps/circuits on this slope without any major disturbance.
240	More tree planting please. Recent efforts have been good, but too few and far between and isolated/solo plantings.
241	More areas of native vegetation (and habitat) please, with all strata (ground, shrub and tree).
242	Please no off-leash dog park here (a management nightmare for councils) or other fenced-off exclusive-use areas/facilities fragmenting the valuable open space.
243	The real value of NNR (at least the areas generally accessible, i.e. outside Rat Park and golf range) is as an expansive uninterrupted area of grassed open space that offers "long-views" without intruding structures, facilities, paths or hardened areas. This is especially so for fields 3, 4, 6, 7 and the overflow parking. When not used for organised sport people can enjoy these areas for whatever leisure, recreation or casual activities they like. This is valuable and should be kept as is.
244	Please no astroturf or other artificial surfaces (polluting plastic with terrible heating impacts) anywhere in the park.
245	Disagree. Please do not break up the park's valuable green open spaces with more concrete paths in/through/around existing grass areas, or fragment the Park with more concrete and asphalt or the incremental intrusion/development of more built facilities.
246	Please no astroturf or other artificial surfaces (polluting plastic with terrible heating impacts) anywhere in the park.
247	Much better grounds/turf management required over this entire area.
248	Agree - Please keep this as green space!. The golf driving range is a long-term use (and there isn't another one around). A large building - such as an aquatic centre, and its associated facilities (parking etc.) would be a significant physical and visual intrusion on the entire NNR site.
249	Retain two way through vehicle access - Walsh St to Pittwater Rd.
250	No more large buildings or exclusive use facilities in the park please - it is open space. An aquatic complex is not freely accessible public open space - it is a commercial development.
251	No increase in height, footprint or level of development of carpark please.
252	Please avoid the temptation to "fill the park with stuff" just to have a pretty masterplan. The principal value of NNR's publicly accessible areas is as large uncluttered uninterrupted expanses of open space - an increasingly rare thing as councils are pressured to overdevelop parks/reserves to cater for sectional interests at the expense of the wider community. Please leave this valuable area as truly "open space" for flexible unstructured public enjoyment when not being used for sport.
253	Past and continuing tree/vegetation vandalism in this corner is an issue.

## B. Online feedback form comments

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1	Utilise the B line parking area on Friday for market day users. Now public transport is under utilised on Flexi Fridays the car park is mostly empty yet market users struggle to find parking close by. Otherwise more parking areas needed taking away open space.
2	Young children's cycle path Learn to RIDE area..... As the cycle path around Narrabeen gets totally crowded and busy & dangerous with all levels of riders . A new cycle track could be used when no football or Friday markets are on... Multi use area.. Parking and toilets are already available.....
3	We need more live music events for young adults.
4	I love going to watch the Rats games - but would love to see a better toilet facility on the eastern side of the field. I also think there's a chance to build a great cycling facility around the ovals. It could be similar to Heffron Park at Maroubra and double as both a recreational facility and attract competition options. If managed properly, it could also become an extension of the existing cycling / walking track around Narrabeen Lake.
5	<p>I think the council should look at the BIG picture It will be uncomfortable for some in the short term but a MASSIVE win for the entire community in for decades to come.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) amalgamate Pitwater RSL &amp; Manly Leagues Club</li> <li>2) build a brand new club on front oval at Rat park to be run by the amalgamated club with good outdoor area for eating, great bars like DYRSL and have all their gaming in the one venue.</li> <li>3) have Manly Leagues &amp; Warringah Rats both play from the current field with new stands There is an excellent bus service to this facility as well as ample parking available on the 12 occasions per year when larger crowds would be expected. Also, this will significantly reduce the council costs on the ongoing maintenance and upkeep of these ovals with the closure of Brookvale oval.</li> <li>4) build affordable living on the Brookvale oval site This is a low lying suburb where height restrictions should not make any impact.</li> <li>5) build a combined aged care and housing area on the Pitwater RSL site with great access points off Mona Vale rd</li> </ol> <p>These ideas are extreme However</p> <p>Manly Leagues club does not own the property it operates from, it is leased and will be developed at some stage in the near future</p> <p>Pitwater RSL is on a huge block of land with extremely poor entrance points and substantial unused spaces within and outside the club. This building is an example of massive property being wasted which should be put to better use. This club is also struggling significantly as far as its operations are concerned. The place we is a ghost town most of the trading week.</p> <p>It could and should be revived in a better location for the members. The proposed location should not be inconvenient for the current membership and in combination with the leagues club make a far more attractive proposition for the community.</p> <p>No reason why Mona Vale Bowling Club could not be thrown into the mix and put a couple of bowling greens at the Rat Park site, the bowlers can use the new and better club and their land could also be used for housing.</p> <p>The value of the land at Pitwater RSL and Mona Vale bowls should make this entire project cost effective.</p>



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	<p>Think of the employment opportunities in the creation and development of these projects??</p> <p>I would love to see the council take a proactive position on these opportunities that I have expressed.</p>
6	As a resident in Sydney Road we like the buffer zone provided by item 23 existing passive open space to give us some peace from the constant noise from the sporting events.
7	Would love to see a complex similar to Lionel Watts with loads of areas for kids to practise their sports. Lionel Watts has loads of different size goals so everyone can practise soccer, rugby, hockey, mini soccer etc and there is space for everyone. It also has basketball and netball courts. It would be great if we had these at Narrabeen too. Thanks!
8	<p>Being a local resident, I love the green space. Its great to have such a large area that can be used by many different sporting, community groups and families.</p> <p>With the area being used by a number of sporting groups with participation increasing each year traffic congestion and parking is a huge issue.</p> <p>This is especially evident when the field adjacent to Walsh St is used.</p> <p>The worst time is Friday afternoon/evenings during touch football season. Cars park illegally on the verge at the Narrabeen Park Pde end of Walsh St. This is a dangerous situation with so many young children and families in the area at that time.</p> <p>We have made numerous calls to council to advise of the situation. The solution was to put a couple of trees on the verge. This is ineffective as on Friday 18/11/22 we counted 8 cars parked on the verge.</p> <p>It is my understanding that the Friday morning markets require a traffic and or parking management plan but the Friday Touch Football does not.</p> <p>To solve some of the traffic and parking on verge issues the verge should be slimmed down to allow for a left and right turning lane from Walsh St to Narrabeen Park Pde. A pedestrian crossing can also be built so there is a safe place for families and children to cross.</p> <p>Cars also park illegally in the side streets too close to corners and on thin streets with double lines in the middle of the road.</p> <p>You need to send the rangers down to investigate the verge and side streets and report back.</p> <p>If the park is going to be used by more groups with expanding participation then the traffic congestion and parking needs to be looked at before someone is injured or worse due to these issues.</p>
9	<p>No 1 priority is to please not displace any sports that use the area. Would be great if the space was upgraded to super sporting facility including still incorporating what it's used for currently.</p> <p>Maybe an inclusive track for disabilities / elderly with scooters to get around too.</p>
10	Local bike facility. Mtb Skills park. Jumps.
11	<p>A bike track with jumps for the local kids would be a great addition, give them somewhere to go.</p> <p>Could easily go round the edge in amongst some planting</p>
12	It will never happen now but Brookvale oval should have been scrapped and Rat Park developed everything is better at this location
13	<p>Some suggestions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- More shade (I love the new trees along Walsh St)</li> <li>- A children's playground</li> <li>- Improved parking - it's currently chaos and unsafe for afternoon soccer and touch footy</li> <li>- More major events held here - concerts, etc</li> </ul>
14	Hi I have walked thru the area and there was no toilets open. Also I would love to see a circular bike path around the whole area and possible connecting to the one around Narrabeen Lake.
15	<p>Great area but very confusing naming</p> <p>"North Narrabeen reserve" is in Warriewood, and next to Warriewood BLine stop</p> <p>Pittwater rugby park also doesn't make sense</p>

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	should rename the area "Warringah rugby park (rat park)" and change to Warriewood reserve as it is in Warriewood.
16	Of course there is more golf and baseball facilities!! Field hockey is the 3rd most popular sport in the world, Australia are currently ranked no. 1 (mens) and no.3 (womens) is there any chance that one day we can have a single synthetic field hockey pitch on the Northern Beaches? You can play other sports on it (netball, soccer, gridiron etc), however I guarantee that (unlike the empty baseball fields) it will be booked out year round!
17	PLEASE put a decent playground in, with a cork surface, suitable for toddlers and big kids. The playgrounds around here are so crap. Elanora Parents have nothing, this will add one extra option with easy parking for them to have to drive to.
18	Planting of more coastal native trees species suitable to this location. Control weed species left on site, these are not being attended to and contribute to the weed issue on the headland areas which are conservation hot spots and highly regarded by the local and tourist community
19	<p>Submission 1</p> <p>Further to my earlier submission, I have come across some other examples of public spaces that have been adapted to make them more friendly for girls:</p> <p>Rosens Röda Matta, Malmö This is the only park in Europe designed by, with and for girls and young women. It transformed an old car park into a hub of urban activity with a rock climbing wall, performance spaces, climbing bars and a series of smaller sheltered spaces connected to the main area. This space is used equally by boys and girls.</p> <p>Gorky Park, Moscow This park consists of 29 different swings arranged in an oval. The playground is open 24 hours and has bright, dynamic, colour-changing scenarios – cold colours for hot summer nights, warm colours for cold weather.</p> <p>Bredäng, Stockholm In collaboration with a focus group of girls living in the suburb of Bredäng, this park was developed to support spontaneous dance, play and sports. It features a pergola and stage with sheltered seating to ensure that the park can be used all year round. It responded to the fact that the site was dominated by a football pitch, used mainly for male sports events.</p> <p>See article here: <a href="https://www.savills.co.uk/blog/article/336070/residential-property/how-to-make-better-spaces-for-all.aspx">https://www.savills.co.uk/blog/article/336070/residential-property/how-to-make-better-spaces-for-all.aspx</a></p> <p>In addition, a further article identified some general principles about how design can work better for female users. These include:</p> <p>Safer parks with better toilets and good lighting; A good network of paths which go round the perimeter, don't have dead ends and aren't hidden by vegetation; Spaces broken up into smaller areas so no one group can dominate; Wider entrances in and out of areas.</p> <p>See article here: <a href="https://cratus.co.uk/make-space-for-girls">https://cratus.co.uk/make-space-for-girls</a></p> <p>This should be considered in light of obligations under the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW) and Sex Discrimination Act 1984 (Cth).</p>
20	<p>Submission 2</p> <p>The vast majority of this park is used for large open space playing fields. Considerable research has shown that these spaces are more likely to be dominated by male users and are much less welcoming to women and teenage girls. Some of this space should be dedicated to alternative uses which are more welcoming to females, particularly teenage girls, including subdividing larger areas in to smaller areas for eg dance, climbing or socialising (in particular swings suitable for teenage girls). For example, see link here: <a href="https://makespaceforgirls.co.uk/what-does-better-look-like/">https://makespaceforgirls.co.uk/what-does-better-look-like/</a></p>



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	<p>See also other articles: <a href="https://www.bloomberg.com/news/features/2021-05-28/we-need-more-public-space-for-teen-girls?utm_content=citylab&amp;utm_source=linkedin&amp;utm_medium=social&amp;utm_campaign=social%20low-organic">https://www.bloomberg.com/news/features/2021-05-28/we-need-more-public-space-for-teen-girls?utm_content=citylab&amp;utm_source=linkedin&amp;utm_medium=social&amp;utm_campaign=social%20low-organic</a></p> <p><a href="https://thiscitylife.ca/post/687162834878070784/how-to-design-public-spaces-for-girls">https://thiscitylife.ca/post/687162834878070784/how-to-design-public-spaces-for-girls</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.archdaily.com/989788/how-to-build-public-spaces-for-teen-girls">https://www.archdaily.com/989788/how-to-build-public-spaces-for-teen-girls</a></p>
21	I suggest we DON'T focus on organised sport such as Rugby which excludes most of the population. We need community wide resources for women and men of all ages and abilities and their animals. It must remain accessible without cost. To reduce obesity we ALL need exercise, not just a handful of elite sports people while everyone else sits to watch. It's CRITICAL that this area remains ready for climate emergencies such as for horses during the bushfires.
22	Northern beaches is desperately in need of an Olympic size swimming pool and recreational pools and fitness centre down the northern end of the Peninsula. We currently only have two pool closely located to each other. All the families from Narrabeen to palm beach have no facilities to teach their kids how to swim or for competitive swimmers. Especially living where we do, so close the ocean, and yet we need to travel to manly to train properly. It's about time this end got a proper facility.
23	Would love some free to the public tennis courts. There is no where on the northern beaches that has free to the public tennis courts. Or even wall ball courts would be great.
24	There are no turnoff signs on the highway to alert new visitors to the entrance and this should be done immediately.
25	<p>With limited Baseball facilities on the northern beaches, North Narrabeen reserve offers an important facility for juniors and seniors, however, improvements in the playing facilities will increase ground usage and make these facilities available to significantly more players. I would like to propose the following infrastructure improvements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Installation of Baseball game quality lighting for Field 5 (the dedicated baseball Diamond)</li> <li>2) Improved drainage to Field 5 to ensure fields are playable through wetter seasons</li> <li>3) Adding a roof to the current batting cages to allow for training in all weather conditions as there are currently NO indoor training facilities accessible for softball / baseball on the northern beaches.</li> </ol>
26	I would like to see the baseball fields stay. Improve field drainage where possible to maximize playing availability as well as keep grounds safe. Provide continued community & council supported up keep of grounds in general for all grounds to again support player safety. Lights would allow RP5 to be used in low light if night game options. Provide batting cage roof also please.
27 (Duplicate with email submission)	<p>Attention [REDACTED]</p> <p>As a local resident, we all need a safe place to meet and exercise like swimming with family and friends.</p> <p>Please consider a Lagoon style heated pool with water parks, like the one at Airlie Beach, QLD. Great also for Tourists and help Local Business. Await reply asap!</p> <p>Thanks 🙌❤️</p>
28	Having some kind of bike park (skills park, jumps, pump track) or skatepark would be amazing. There are always kids with going to ride their bikes on playground or stairs since they're lacking a space to practice. There are a huge number of kids and adults involved in the mountain bike scene and providing a space for them to practice and get together would strengthen that community, besides, it will reduce the amount of "illegal" jumps and trails in the area.
29	For starters how about altering the name "Pittwater Park", which was changed from "Warringah" to "Pittwater" to reflect the breakup of the original municipality in 1992. As of 2016, Pittwater council no longer exists, but the name of the park does not reflect this. Why not now call it "Northern Beaches Park", or better still, revert to the old name of "Warringah Rugby Park".

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30	Please ensure any proposed changes protect the Osprey Nest in the middle of the park on the spotlights
31	<p>Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback.</p> <p>I LOVE RAT PARK. The open space, the playing fields and the sporting facilities, and the fact that it has multiple uses: markets, concerts, etc.</p> <p>I'd love to see a proper Aquatic Centre build here, or nearby. The nearest facilities are at Frenchs Forest (WAC) and the Sports Academy which is a very part-time operation, and only 25m pool. Given the housing development at this end of the peninsula we now need something of the standard of the Boy Charlton pool at Manly. Suggest the area used currently for mini golf be turned into a full on aquatic centre, with exercise areas, cafe, etc - Something that many more people in the community could use. There are already many golf courses and limited people use the mini-golf.</p> <p>The recent tree planting along Walsh Street was excellent. More of this.</p> <p>Markets and parking: the condition of the ovals where markets visitors park is dreadful. It's either a dust bowl, or a muddy quagmire! And difficult for council to maintain as it is. As much as I HATE concrete, something needs to give to ensure visitors have proper parking and perhaps one of these ovals needs to be turned into a multi use surface of some sort that will withstand player, foot and car traffic.</p> <p>Parking generally: Council needs to tell TfNSW we need more commuter parking. The Pittwater Rd B1 Car Park is always full and several more levels of parking at a minimum is required. Overflow commuters are clogging up Walsh St and Collins St leaving residents with little street parking.</p> <p>Amenities: There are currently two amenities blocks. Please have them as public use facilities, and not locked. Well done on the defibrillator! And the water bubblers.</p> <p>Sporting clubs: I don't know how this works, but it seems that this is a bit disparate, and clubs need to come together and have shared use of facilities.</p> <p>Rubbish and Cleaning: the sporting clubs - no matter who they are - need to be made to ensure clean up after EVERY game/training/event. It needs to be build into their contract and monitored and adhered to. The amount of times that I've filled garbage bags with rubbish after a training session or game is outrageous. I know I'm not alone.</p> <p>Thank you for the opportunity to comment.</p>
32	Hi there. I go to the markets here every Friday. A large portion of market attendees are mums with prams and children. It would be good to make a space more conducive to cater for this EG give the markets more space so it isn't as cramped and crowded, set the markets in a location that doesn't get big pools of water when it rains, more car parking as it often is so Crowded that attendees have to park a long way out to get a car spot.
33	I would love to see a bike pump track installed at rat park as lots of kids and adults in the area ride mountain bikes.
34	<i>Left blank</i>
35	<p>The North Narrabeen Reserve baseball precinct is an invaluable infrastructure component of the sport of baseball on the Northern Beaches.</p> <p>It is home to around 200 junior baseballers from the Pittwater Baseball club, with another 500 senior baseballers relying on the facility for year-round baseball competition.</p> <p>Over the last 12 months it has become even more heavily utilised with the adverse weather conditions making the other major baseball facility in the LGA (Aquatic Reserve) unplayable. Planned re-development for Aquatic Reserve's baseball grounds over the next few years will again see North Narrabeen having to take up the majority of the sport's traffic whilst the works at Aquatic are in progress and the fields are off limits.</p>



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	<p>In this light, Manly Warringah District Baseball Association envisage the following improvements to the North Narrabeen Reserve grounds to cater for the growth of baseball:</p> <p>Addition of professional sports field drainage to Field 5, similar to that undertaken on Fields 3 &amp; 4 a few years ago, to make it more robust against seasonal rainfall events;</p> <p>Addition of game quality lighting to Field 5. This will allow for us to expand both junior and senior competition offerings, as well as mid week training. This is an essential pillar of our strategic plan to double our membership numbers over the next 3 years;</p> <p>Addition of a roof on the existing batting cage structure, to allow for training under any weather conditions and to reduce ongoing maintenance costs of the interior of the cages.</p> <p>Extension of the back nets on Field 3 to allow diamonds to become viable for senior baseball games during summer (currently the nets are so small that many foul balls are lost into Rat Park (Field 1)</p> <p>Points 1 &amp; 2 are already in alignment with the findings of the Sports Ground Strategic Review 2017, as well as being featured in the existing North Narrabeen Reserve POM.</p> <p>Kind regards The Directors Manly Warringah District Baseball Association</p>
34	<p>Insufficient parking especially on weekends.</p> <p>Please find hereafter our comments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Leave it as it is, especially the north and east sides of the park. It is a privilege to walk on the grass to the North Narrabeen rockpool. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>. no more concrete or solid pathways, sport facilities or structures, huge lighting posts, tall trees increasing the risk in future bush fires.</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Improve present access. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>. from Arnott Crs stairs and ramp to field 5 car parking and club house</li> <li>. along west side of playing fields to other club facilities</li> <li>. create proper access from club facilities to Walsh St. for pedestrians and people with prams or wheel chairs</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. Contain and save on electric lighting when not necessary and reduce noise from stadium (including continuous drumming like done last Saturday ). Save on Council spending and our rates.</li> </ol> <p>With regards</p>
36	<p>Dirt jumps for bmx / mtb needed!!!</p> <p>Mt narra is great for technical mountain biking however it is a 20min drive to bare creek for proper dirt jumps.</p> <p>Fixed solution would be to have a beginner line of dirt jumps and advanced line for more experienced riders</p>
37	<p><i>Left blank</i></p>
38	<p>When considering where the weekly Markets are going to be - can there please be some disabled parking allocation - provided on behalf of Northern Beaches Resident</p>
39	<p>I've been asking the driving range managers for years about when an upgrade can be expected. The grass tee practice areas are mostly not flat, making practice very difficult. The grass used is not the same as you would see on a golf tee box and should be replaced accordingly. Many of the mats are old and fraying. The short game area should be open to everyone without having to pay extra; also, upgrade the putting green and put in a proper short game practice facility. The bunker is poorly maintained and hardly worth using. The ball quality varies greatly from brand new to old and worn - how often are they inspected and replaced? The pro-shop could do with some better variety and quality of goods.</p> <p>Sadly, I've stopped using the facility as the fees keep going up for no appreciable change in the services.</p>
40	<p>Rat Park is a great facility; I have coached teams there for the last five years at summer soccer. What would be brilliant is if there is an all-weather astroturf facility put in there as there is at Narrabeen Sports school. That facility is fabulous, but it is impossible to hire/use.</p> <p>We need more astroturf on the beaches in general, it allows teams to train &amp; competitions to be held all year round. Children miss so much here because of the weather impacting non-</p>

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	<p>astroturf council-owned fields. Having spent two weeks out in Spain this year as part of a soccer trip, I know astroturf is standard; it has had a hugely positive impact on the number of kids playing sport, which has a hugely positive effect on health (physical and mental), and also obviously on ability and results of their national teams.</p> <p>Happy to speak on this at any time.</p>
41	A swimming centre with heated 50 m lap pool - given the number of retirees who are still active this would be a big bonus!! So many oldies swim but often ocean pools are not suitable- example Newport pool. It is high time the council considers facilities for older residents!!!
42	<p>Submission 1</p> <p>I would like to see better seating and shade for Mother's with Prams as the Friday markets at Rat Park is a popular destination for these Mum's.</p> <p>Perhaps some sealed pathways for easier access with prams.</p> <p>Nicer baby change facilities and toilets as well.</p> <p>This demographic is largely ignored when public spaces are considered.</p>
43	<p>Submission 2</p> <p>PLEASE</p> <p>I would like to see a couple of enclosed night lit practice hitting walls for tennis. This would greatly enhance beginner players ability to hone their skills off court and without the need for a partner or court hire.</p> <p>It would also provide a facility for people of all ages to grab some exercise before or after work.</p> <p>Thank you</p>
44	I live nearby and would like to keep it as public green space. regards,
45	I would like to see a couple of toilets in or near Steve Temple Bar, also you can't hear the PA system from that side of the hill
46	<p>Hi Northern Beaches Council,</p> <p>I am a regular user of Rat Park - both my kids play Summer Soccer from September through to December each year. Rat Park is a fabulous facility but the parking is beyond horrendous. The carpark in front of where you enter into Rat Park are faded and the spots are tight. There are a lot of kids who play Summer soccer so lots of traffic spills out onto Walsh Avenue and Sydney Road. These roads then turn into nightmares. Surely there is a better way to handle this traffic. It is chaos and an accident waiting to happen. The lighting in this carpark is terrible. I hate complaining as I really appreciated what great facilities we have but every year my family plays I dread parking here it is awful.</p>
47	<p>We use the North Narrabeen Rock Pool and regularly walk on the North Narrabeen reserve and attend community events there.</p> <p>Our grandchildren would love to see an upgraded and enlarged play area there.</p> <p>I would really love a swimming pool complex in the Warriewood/Narrabeen area for regular exercise swimming during the winter months, at least May to October when the ocean temperature is too cold. I find the drive from Warriewood to Warringah Pool too far, so only use that pool on occasions, whilst I would use a pool at Warriewood/Narrabeen regularly.</p>
48	With the growing mountain bike community. A space for local kids would be great. Such as a good pump track and dirt jumps
49	My suggestion would be to leave this beautiful park the way it is. I have lived her for over 60 years and feel this park is fantastic just the way it is.
50	Finally a space for an all weather hockey surface. The beaches have exactly zero facilities and for a sport that has 72% female participation it adds the perfect balance to the other heavily male indexed sports. Australia has been one of the top countries in the world for the las 40 years and the players on the beaches are forced to travel huge distances to participate. It's time to do this for a sport that gives back to 50% of our community. It's not ok to ignore this any longer. Hockey facilities are needed on the beaches now!



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51	<p>I back onto the reserve in Arnott Crescent.</p> <p>We need the reserve to be maintained more frequently than it has been. There is plenty of access to the reserve with pathways in from Sydney Road and Arnott Crescent.</p> <p>I would hate to see the use of the park change any further. This is not the place for dog training or exclusive dog exercise areas as the park is used for sporting activities. Many people use the space for exercise and walking dogs and children playing. It is not the place for more concrete paths and/or cycleways particularly not close to houses backing onto the park.</p> <p>I agree the overflow parking area is not adequately used and is dusty muddy and neglected. That area should be returned to green fields.</p> <p>There are plenty of trees in the park already, any further planting may be useful by the fields on the hill where spectators watch games as the current trees are further back and provide no shade. The area behind us is utilised by baseball for warm up before games and rugby warm up. We do not need further lighting down this end of the park as it is used for baseball.</p> <p>A child's playground on the corner of Walsh and Narrabeen Park Parade would be awesome as the corner is pretty and not used for sport and not near houses backing onto the reserve. I am sure it would be greatly utilised by visitors to the park for games.</p> <p>I am not sure this is the place for a swim centre, there is not enough parking for this either and it takes away from the greenery we all currently enjoy.</p> <p>Regards</p>
52	<p>There are quite a few unused corners and the like which would be perfect for a small Mountain Bike Park, for example some low maintenance dirt jumps. Ideally, these could be built with the same dirt polymer being used for the new park in Wyatt Avenue, thereby basically eliminating concerns, regarding erosion and ongoing maintenance.</p>
53	<p>I go there to umpire sport on Fridays. It is good the way it is. Pls keep it available for horses to go there when there are bushfires. The whole place doesn't need any fixing.</p>
54	<p>I enjoy the markets being in this area and regularly attend it.</p> <p>I love that we can attend local games at Rat Park.</p>
55	<p>I'd like to see the keoride office removed from its current location and replaced with a cafe, as per thr original proposal for the commuter parking lot.</p> <p>I would like to see more shaded areas and areas with seating, especially near the oval adjacent to the carpark.</p> <p>I would like the Northern beaches markets to return on a Friday, in place of thr organic food markets.</p> <p>I would like the Northern beaches markets to be held on the oval, not in the carpark, and not blocking the road through the complex.</p> <p>I would like to loose any further land to parking.</p> <p>I would like to see a childrens playground included in the area. Wooden play equipment and bark ground cover would be ideal to reduce introduction of microplastics to the site.</p> <p>I would like to see improved usability of the land immediately adjacent to the houses of Arnott Crescent, behind thr driving range. Perhaps this could be a location for a playground.</p> <p>Children build a bike track along thr driveway to the baseball oval and in the trees behind the baseball oval, I would like this to be encouraged or at least allowed to occur.</p>
56	<p>Kids and beginner dirt jump lines needed similar to Boronia bike track in Hunters hill. Its always busy there.</p>
57	<p>Thank you for the opportunity to comment.</p> <p>I would like to raise the following to improve the facilities at Piwater Rugby Park Rat Park) Warringah Rugby Club (WRC) have successfully ran a women's team for over 20 years.</p>

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	<p>During this time the women have had no dedicated change rooms, showers or toilets. Instead they make do with whatever room is available to change, forgo a shower and queue to use public toilets.</p> <p>In this day and age of promoting women's participation in sport it is not acceptable for this situation to exist.</p> <p>Whilst I appreciate long term planning may be required for a comprehensive solution this should not prevent short term solutions being implemented immediately.</p> <p>Regards</p>
58	<p>Preserve the green space and plant more shade trees for sporting spectators and recreational walkers to enjoy. If more car parking space is needed, add another level to the existing commuter car park. No more concrete please!</p>
59	<p>Parking and the condition of the road is inadequate.</p>
60	<p>Any upgrade should take the opportunity to include cycle paths/shared paths as part of the development,</p>
61	<p>A cycle path around the perimeter would be great. Could be a safe place for young kids to learn to ride as well as a good exercise area.</p>
62	<p>The 3 key issues that are currently impacting residents neighbouring Rat Park Reserve that are due to Council's approved activities are</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• adequate Vehicle Parking Provisions</li> <li>• safe Road Traffic Management</li> <li>• their ability to fully enjoy their properties</li> </ul> <p>The residents of Walsh and Collins St will be strongly affected by the Northern Beaches Council's decision to expand its use of this Reserve. Thus they are the major stakeholders in this process and Council must be guided by the comments of local residents. At this stage, the actual outcomes of this planning process is unclear, however it seems likely that council plans more and larger events over more of the calendar year.</p> <p>Council needs to be mindful of their responsibility to follow the intent of R2 zoning of the properties of local residents surrounding the park. Narrabeen Lakeside Park is zoned SP3, although the section closest to Rat park is used for quiet residential dwellings. These are residential, not mixed use or commercial, so residents must be provided with quiet enjoyment of their properties.</p> <p>Firstly, any proposed expansion to the use of the Rat Park reserve will cause an increase in vehicle parking requirements from patrons. Council is responsible to match this increased attendance to the location with the countermeasure of the correct level of parking. This will ensure not only the safety of residents and patrons of the expanded facility, but also allow residents to leave and enter their properties freely. Given that the expansion will attract patrons from a broader area, it is naïve to expect that only public transport will be used – it will bring many more private cars to the facility surrounds. As we all know, public transport is largely confined to buses that service Pittwater Road, so patrons from outside this corridor need to use cars.</p> <p>Collins St, Walsh St and Berry St residents are already heavily impacted by vehicle parking for Rat Park facility events, in its current usage pattern. This has been exacerbated by the relatively recent parking length restrictions in East Walsh St.</p> <p>By example: many Collins St residents are affected by patrons of the weekly Friday Markets. Some patrons currently park to partially block driveways, preventing residents readily leaving and accessing their own properties. Residents' waste bins are often moved by these patrons for parking, into positions where access by waste trucks is poor or impossible. As a result, rate payers waste bins are frequently not emptied and the countermeasure is to run after the waste trucks. Calls to council for assistance results in a visit by a ranger many hours later, or on the following business day (inevitably Monday), by this time the cars have moved on. Police are not responsible, they advise this is a council matter.</p> <p>A suggestion that will help the current situation is that the eastern (non-residential) section of Walsh St could be reconfigured on both sides into diagonal parking (rather than its current parallel configuration). The existing verges are wide and could be partially reduced. This could double the current parking spots available and would have negligible impact on residents and the parked cars should only be in place for the duration of the event. This means that the events are managed within the Rat Park area, without pushing the problem on to local residents. By example: there has been a suggestion that the current B-line car park</p>



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	<p>should be expanded in height to alleviate the current parking shortfall, however, this is not a workable option due to the light shadowing effect on neighbouring residents. Alternatively, providing adequate vehicle parking that is wholly contained within the Rat Park and Walsh St, not only makes sense but is indeed the fairest option for the Park's neighbouring ratepayers.</p> <p>Secondly, Council needs to be more visible and pro-active in managing heavy traffic congestion, resulting from events at Rat Park as well as at North Narrabeen Reserve. These include rugby finals games, Carols and "special event" Friday markets. Again, calling the Council Ranger service on Fridays and over the weekend to try to address both dangerous and illegal parking situations, results in a call back during "standard office business hours". This will be the following Monday (literally 2 days after the event). This is a nonsensical and unworkable situation for issues that arise as a direct result of events which Council will normally receive a payment. Put simply: when council approves major events to operate for extended hours, 7 days per week; it also has the same responsibility to its ratepayers to provide the adequate support services (namely parking rangers and traffic control) for the same extended operating hours.</p> <p>On a positive note, we commend the smooth running of the "Sun Sets Music Festival" held at Rat Park on Saturday 3rd December 2022. For this event, local residents (such as Collins St households) were communicated with beforehand, via letterbox drop. This had contact details of the event organiser provided, which enabled us to communicate with the organiser while the event was actually being held (i.e. the weekend). Consequently, this event had little impact on residents.</p> <p>During this festival, it was clear that professional security and traffic flow management personnel were in place along Walsh St. This meant we were spared from the usual parking and traffic grief that commonly arises along Collins St, when crowd drawing events are held at Rat Park and North Narrabeen Reserve.</p> <p>This should be accepted as a model event and standardise event organisers (rather than the local residents) taking responsibility for managing adequate parking and smooth traffic flow of the event's patrons.</p> <p>Please also ensure that the current parking and waste bin collection concerns experienced by Collins St residents due to the weekly Friday Rat Park Markets is also addressed, especially in the lead up to the pre-Christmas market crowds. This is an ongoing weekly commercial event and it is appropriate that the Market Event Operator takes responsibility for managing the parking and traffic flow of its patrons on-site, rather than expecting residents neighbouring Rat Park to negatively suffer because of the Market's inadequate on-site parking provisions.</p>
63	<p>How do I raise ideas about Narrabeen shops? The bus stops are killing the local shops. If I have to drive to the shops I want to have the option of parking at the door and walking straight in. Instead we have the entire strip reserved for buses 24 x 7. I would like to see the inbound bus stop moved to outside the post office or across from the Tramshed. The Outbound bus stop should be moved to outside the Tramshed. Sure some bus passengers would have to walk a little further to catch the bus but just as many would have to walk a bit less but overall the added convenience to people wanting to use the shops would be huge.</p> <p>The parking freed up outside the shops should be limited to 15 minutes. If people want to stay longer than that they can try their luck at parking in the Berry Reserve car park.</p> <p>I imagine the argument for stopping buses in front of the shops is so that people can easily catch the bus to do their shopping and that might make sense in a big shopping strip like Dee Why but it doesn't make sense in Narrabeen where it takes up the entire shopping strip and frankly, must be killing the shops.</p> <p>Just for the record, I have no financial interest in any of the Narrabeen shops other than as a local consumer. I have also been a long term user of Narrabeen buses having caught the bus to and from the city at least 4 days per week for the best part of 15 of the last 20 years</p>
64	Any plan must not add more concreting or built up areas, it should preserve the natural environment and in fact should look to add more open spaces and gardens to the area. Car

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	<p>parking is a challenge but it only happens during big events, no more car parking please which will degrade natural areas. Small area in reserve should be added for a tennis court, basketball court and cricket nets as huge reserve can be used by youth and rest of population at all times. I know this could include adding some built up area but may be we don't need 2 club areas so close by. Thank you.</p> <p>We are residents of this area and enjoy the use of these fields for community sport such as Touch football, AFL, Rugby and Baseball. It would definitely not be suitable at all for any off leash dog areas.</p> <p>An Aquatic Centre could be amazing in place of the Pittwater Golf Centre. Only if there was sufficient parking (unlike Manly pool which is so hard to find street parking). A 50m indoor pool is needed but parking is important.</p> <p>Synthetic playing fields for Hockey, AFL would be great and a drastic improvement in concrete paths to walk on (instead of walking through mud!) and an upgrade to the surfaces to improve the serious drainage issues. All year/weather use would be great.</p> <p>As long as it does not at all affect any surrounding streets with parking, as Sydney Rd, Walsh St &amp; Arnott Cres are seriously over stretched as it is and dangerous for drivers and pedestrians as they are so won't handle any further traffic.</p> <p>Need to improve by increasing the parking spaces.</p>
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66	<p>I dont have an opinion on whether the existing facilities need updating or not, all I ask is that the footprint of the buildings, roads, concreted areas are not allowed to increase as this area is an important open green space which should be protected.</p> <p>Also the nesting ospreys need to be protected and some more trees around the edge of the sports fields would be good so spectators can watch in the shade and the local wildlife can be supported.</p>
67	<p>Reviewing some of the comments and ideas and feel compelled to respond as a resident on the Arnott border of Rat Park.</p> <p>1. Ideas surrounding dog training or off leash in the area between the baseball diamond and Arnott Crescent. This area would very quickly become congested if this is considered. currently there is already a steady stream of dog walkers in this area and to make it an official park would increase dog numbers beyond what the space can accommodate. Current residents who back onto the park, already often have to care for the park, mowing and weeding outside their properties when Council does not keep up with it. ( which has been often this year ) . Furthermore this area also floods when there is any significant rainfall which would put it out of commission as well. Parking would be a further issue... with the baseball and rugby clubs and markets, the carpark is often at capacity and there would be no room for additional patrons.</p> <p>2. Proposed mountain bike area in the corner where some kids have previously built runs of their own accord. To make this official there would have to be ambulance access which there is not. Also it is too close to residential and again the parking issue.</p> <p>3. Lighting for main baseball field -- would be an inconvenience for residents along Arnott and Sydney Road in this area. Lights are already very bright from the batting cages.</p>
68	<p>Pittwater Golf Centre is a great facility which caters to all ages, golfers and non-golfers. Mini Golf cater for toddlers to retirees as well people with disabilities.</p> <p>Rat Park is a great facility that is used for a range of sporting activities and events. The challenge is parking, there needs to be more parking available for the amount of people</p>



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	<p>visiting these 2 venues, especially during school holidays and when there are events on at Rat Park.</p> <p>The sports fields are well utilised and keep the community active. Having lights for night sports on all the fields would be ideal.</p> <p>We have so many swimming pools at our beautiful beaches as well as our beaches to swim in the surf, we don't need anymore pools.</p>
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70	<p>Hi Beaches Council.</p> <p>Please install a challenging skateboard park to cater for all Apparatus such as skateboards, rollerblades, roller skates, bmx bikes and scooters etc.</p> <p>Preferably a multilevel bowl at least 8-11foot deep. Mona Vale has an 11foot vertical ramp, but there's no deep world class skate bowls that I can recall anywhere on the Northern Beaches.</p> <p>Regards</p>
71	<i>Left blank</i>
72	<p>Submission 1</p> <p>I put in some feedback last week about the state of the trees along Walsh Street. And I couldn't believe it last week as I was driving past, the Council workers were there attending to said trees! Wow - that is amazing action! Thank you very much for taking note of my comments and actioning them almost immediately! The trees will thank you for it too + all the other Residents who have commented on them.</p> <p>Well done Council!!</p>
73	<p>Submission 2</p> <p>It is such a great facility but it probably needs a fulltime maintenance person! I can't believe that the new trees that have been planted along Walsh Street are already being overtaken by weeds! The same thing happened to the older trees that were there - weeds overtook the base and they died! Why spend a fortune on planting trees and then never look after them! They were mowing there the other day and just went round the trees - they need individual attention to their root area - not even a whipper snipper as that doesn't solve the problem! Even the mature trees that were lucky to survive are overrun with grass and weeds! The Council officers are very quick to jump on ratepayer Residents to complain about our trees - but how bout look after your own backyard and trees the ratepayers would have paid a fortune for! It is so visible and so neglected!</p>
74	<p>The reserve should be converted into "The Northern Beaches Synthetic Sports Field Precinct". A world class facility where all fields are converted into high quality synthetic, much like Cromer Park. The size of the reserve would allow for fields to be utilised across a number of sports, reconfiguring as required. Think Melwood Oval where two soccer fields become one AFL field, or Blackman Park in Lane Cove West. Small sided games which Rat Park already has, would improve drastically. Even the golf driving range could become multi-use. We're talking up to 10 fields in the precinct that could be configured to suit a multitude of sports.</p> <p>The reserve would utilise the already existing multi-storey car park, that should be raised to accommodate. The facility would be coordinated at a centrally located control centre. Appropriate lighting, walkways, spectator viewing areas, facilities and signage would compliment the fields.</p> <p>Why all this?</p> <p>The sports fields on the Northern Beaches continue to suffer. Despite past 'your say' council discussions and suggestions, our sports fields are still overused and deteriorate into a diabolical state over the winter season. If there isn't a drought, there's floods. They get closed all too often. For what? To be protected until the next week when they get trashed?</p> <p>The Northern Beaches desperately need an answer to the sports field problem. By creating a centrally located facility such as this, we'll provide one big answer. The load will be taken off other grounds, reducing the weekly hourly usage. Washouts can be easily rescheduled. No club, but more importantly, no team will be disadvantaged.</p> <p>We're a sporting nation. Look what the Socceroos just did. The MWFA is quality but the grounds are not. Lets build the quality for the future.</p>
75	<p>1. Parking at this facility is problematic during major events and even weekday afternoon sport.</p>



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	<p>2. The community would support an outdoor 50m heated pool at this location, many regional towns have better aquatic facilities than the Pittwater area. (Rock pools are only suitable for swimming lessons and training during the warmer months and that is limited by conditions).</p> <p>3. Please consider if the golf range is the best use of this space (this commercial arrangement as existed for many decades) - there are many public golf facilities on the northern beaches.</p> <p>4. I agree the Rat Park buildings and facilities are looking tired and need updating.</p> <p>5. Drainage is an issue at the facility and particularly the rear playing fields and should be investigated and improved for this major regional facility.</p> <p>6. It would be good to have outdoor entertainment performances at the facility again i.e. bands etc.</p>
76	<p>This is the showcase of the far Northern Beaches sport and Rats are the pride of the beaches, they represent us. I'd love to see an upgrade in facilities - this should be the high performance center for the Northern beaches - setting our locals up (male and female) to compete. With plans for a national club rugby competition, it would be great to have the Northern Beaches represented. I'd love to see a better club house that could host bigger events, a bigger sports center (gym and high performance facilities for the community), and the Pony club turned into an all weather ground as this is currently wasted space with the lack of grounds on the Northern Beaches.</p>
77	<p>Submission 1</p> <p>Proportionately, the golf driving range takes up far too much area for the number of people who use it. The Putt Putt business can stay but the driving range should be either closed or moved elsewhere. This way the area can be used for more popular sporting activities. EG: Aquatic centre or multi purpose playing fields.</p>
78	<p>Submission 2</p> <p>Toilets are urgently needed on the eastern side of Rat Park. It is most unsightly to see people urinating down the embankment when rugby matches are in progress. There are existing sewerage pipeline facilities nearby so connection would not be a major project.</p> <p>Also, could the entrance on the Eastern side be properly re-built so as to allow patrons to enter Rat Park from this side after they have parked their cars in the existing carpark for the back fields. This would involve demolishing the existing 'Can Bar' but it's only a temporary structure which can be rebuilt elsewhere and then include canteen facilities.</p>
79	<p>I live next door to the B Line car park and use the park adjacent to walk my dog twice a day. My suggestions are, firstly to provide a permanent rubbish bin as I fill a bag every day with rubbish people have left behind. Also, bench seating would be very helpful, preferably under the 4 Tuckeroo trees which provide shade on the northern end of the field. This would allow people to sit while they watch football games or even picnic on hot summer days.</p> <p>The problem at the moment with this area is the "sinkholes" that have been forming, probably because in the past this field was a rubbish dump. Council has filled in a couple of sinkholes earlier this year but they have reappeared. It's quite dangerous when walking in that area. A sign showing where the toilet facilities are located would be helpful. People walk into the bush alongside the path and use it as a toilet regularly, especially after football games.</p>
80	<p>Left blank</p>
81	<p>[REDACTED] on the map.</p> <p>Totally disagree with bike tracks or off leash dog or dog training area or further tree planting. The area behind us is used by baseball as a warm up area and the planting of the trees has taken away some of that space.. we do not need any more here, the green space is used by many people. If any trees were to be planted, some by the playing fields could be useful for spectators of baseball on hot days</p> <p>In particular a bike track as suggested is unnecessary and too close to existing houses.</p> <p>We disagree with anything that will bring vandalism or youth parties closer to our houses, it is a problem that recurs occasionally.</p> <p>The park is enjoyed by many and would like it to remain as is</p>
82	<p>As a resident of Arnott Cres I would like to express my deep concern of any unnecessary upgrade and additions to our peace and quiet. There are nesting birds eg magpies ,frog</p>

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	mouth owls and kestrels that call this place home. As for the BMX track. I fear for graffiti being plastered all over residents homes and just feel unnecessary destruction of our peaceful and harmonious suburb. I am a dog owner but I also disagree with the off leash dog area, dog owners are too irresponsible. I suffered a broken shoulder because my dog was attacked by a red cattle dog that the owners knew was aggressive. I plead with you to not destroy our peaceful area that's we enjoy as is. Thank you . Very concerned resident.
83	I believe it should be used as sports fields. They are currently being ruined by markets and parking, both of which can be located elsewhere. More lighting at clubhouses and CCTV to discourage bad behaviour
84	Hi I'm a runner and selfishly want the council to bitumen a footpath around the entire perinmeter (oops) so it's one big loop, if bitumen and out of fashion then that concrete thats been layed alongside the netball courts at north curl curl will do - same width same type of concrete with no sloping just flat. lets hope that if you do that - that the cost does not run out to 4.8 million that the footpaths at North Head redevelopment cost albeit with a couple of viewing platforms a bus top some seating and some shrubs and lawn.
85	Please, no synthetic turf.
86	Baseball Fields need updating ground is lumpy from football and general use on the Caravan Park side of the club house, I think Narrabeen Sports Academy could be utilized more for Baseball and Rugby and incorporated with Narrabeen High for education, development, fitness and strength training.

## C. Email submissions

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1	<p>Good Afternoon,</p> <p>I have lived at [REDACTED] years and during that time have seen many changes to the surrounding environment. We were here when the playing fields were a tip for two years in order to raise the level and prevent flooding.</p> <p>The creation of the playing fields was a great idea and over the years the use of these areas has increased very much. I love to hear the noise of the training sessions and games, and also the school kids during the week. it is keeping the area alive and vibrant.</p> <p>Along with the increased use is the increased need for parking which is the main issue. The size of cars -( four wheel drives ) means that more space is needed for each vehicle and Narrabeen Park Pde and Sydney Rd were never planned to park two of these on opposite sides of the road and then have a bus pass through on the road. The fact that young families are exiting cars all along Walsh St during training and games and also the Friday Markets often results in dangerous situations for drivers coming along the road.</p> <p>Some years ago a suggestion was made to have angle parking put in along Walsh St. This was never followed up and may help now. An additional angle park could be put at the Southern end of the access road from Walsh St to Rat P.ark</p> <p>I wonder if more spaces could be added to existing parking areas around the playing fields or even a new parking road along the back of the properties in Sydney Rd adjoining the fields.</p> <p>Is there any space behind the trees in the Caravan Park where there seems to be a no-mans-land. Perhaps parking could be put there which would be good for beach goers as well. Access could be separate from the Caravan Park on Walsh St.</p> <p>The four hour parking limit along Walsh St has worked in that it has stopped large trucks, campers and trailers being left there for days at a time.</p> <p>I also wonder why seats have not been provided for Mums and Dads on the perimeter of the fields. I notice that recycling of soft plastics has ceased due to the inability of the recycling company to sell the seats and other products they manufacture. Northern Beaches Council could be leading the way in buying seats and supporting this valuable service.</p> <p>The new trees will be a great addition if they survive,</p> <p>I hope you are successful in your planning for this delightful area and people can continue to use and enjoy it into the future. My extended family certainly will.</p>
2	<p>Hi [REDACTED] and staff,</p> <p>It's [REDACTED] who met you on the Council "Have Your Say" days on the 18-19<sup>th</sup> of November at North Narrabeen Reserve. Thank you for taking the time to listen to my thoughts, ideas and concerns as a local resident and I would like to outline briefly the points that I spoke to you about.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) The bushland islands at the northern end of NN Reserve, bordering Baseball Field No. 5, are an important and unique home to many endangered local and visiting species of animals and birds (Tawny Frogmouths, Long Nosed Bandicoots, Black Cockatoos, Flying Fox, King Parrots, Ringtail Possums and many more) and need to be enlarged and maintained as they are a vital link for species to live and move between the Warriewood Wetlands and the bushland on Turimetta and Narrabeen Heads. It is very important to limit human activity in this area to allow the natural environment to flourish.</li> <li>2) The area behind all the properties on Arnott Crescent bordering the northern edge of NN Reserve between Pittwater Rd and Sydney Rd is an important</li> </ol>



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	<p>easement belonging to Sydney Water with the main sewerage pipeline from the Warriewood Sewage Treatment Works to the Turimetta Head ocean outfall located underground with multiple access vents in the reserve. This area cannot be modified or built on as Sydney Water needs permanent 24 hour access to the pipeline in case of sewage emergencies. It is in the councils interest and public safety that there is NO permanent pedestrian access to this area.</p> <p>3) The northern section of NN Reserve is subject to regular flooding as it is part of the extensive Narrabeen Lagoon Floodplain and during moderate to heavy rain periods, a large lake up to a metre deep will form and take a few weeks, sometimes months, to recede and dry back to grass reserve.</p> <p>4) The ideal position for a kids play area would be along Walsh St in the area that was formerly set aside for The Pony Club as it is very visible from Walsh St with plenty of nearby parking.</p> <p>5) North Narrabeen Reserve is built on a rubbish tip that operated during the mid 1960's ( that is where the name "Rat Park" came from) and it must be kept in mind the many dangerous and deadly materials that are buried just under the surface of the reserve.</p> <p>6) North Narrabeen Reserve is used by multiple sporting clubs and schools with activity and floodlights on most days until 9.30-10 pm. Any additional activity should be placed well away from residential properties to minimise noise and loss of amenity.</p> <p>7) There are 70 residential properties that back directly onto NN Reserve. I have spoken to many of the older residents who are very worried about any changes to the reserve so it is essential that the Northern Beaches Council inform, consult and work with the local residents to give us all peace of mind.</p> <p>8) Having grown up in the local area and being a resident in Arnott Crescent for 20 years, if there is anything you need to know or that I can do to help during the process, please contact me anytime.</p> <p>Best regards</p>
3	<p>Hi</p> <p>We operate the Friday market in the North Narrabeen Reserve.</p> <p>We believe there could be a couple of improvements to the site that would facilitate the market as well as other events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It would be advantageous to have a vehicle gate in the South-West corner of the South paddock to facilitate vehicle access.</li> </ul> <p>It would be advantageous to have power points available in the street lights on the road in front of the stadium.</p> <p>Regards</p>
4	<p>Hi [REDACTED]</p> <p>Thanks for your time last week. Please see a few dot points we discussed together.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• cricket pitch concerns on field 6. If this was to go ahead we would lose the use of 4 fields.</li> <li>• summer comp juniors on a Friday night we are capped at 210 teams. That's around 3500 people converging on North Narra reserve Friday afternoons.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A foot path linking past the AFL clubhouse is a good plan. Be mindful of encroaching on field space as we have a 3 meter dead ball requirement.</li> <li>• Area out the back of AFL clubhouse would be great if we could add storage. We currently have nowhere for line markers &amp; large equipment to store.</li> <li>• we don't open the pony club field to anyone as extra parking. Our current stand is that it stays as field space &amp; is upgraded.</li> <li>• Moving the entrance gate from Walsh street could prove future issues with people driving straight across fields. Where they are at the moment makes the most sense.</li> <li>• Suggested bike racks near club houses for kids who attend trainings or games to chain their bikes up.</li> </ul> <p>I think that's the main things from us.</p> <p>I hope it all makes sense.</p> <p>Regards,</p>
5	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Pittwater Tigers JAFL Inc. March 2023</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Masterplan Development North Narrabeen Reserve – comments to Council</b></p> <p>* Regarding priorities, all are considered as being recommended for high priority and short term implementation.</p> <p>In no particular order:</p> <p><b>Proposal for Field 6 to incorporate a cricket pitch for the summer season:</b></p> <p>Pittwater Tigers JAFL formally advises that we strongly object to any Council proposal to incorporate a cricket pitch within any of our playing fields. We are aware of significant play and safety concerns being experienced by other Clubs where this dual use is in place.</p> <p>This is our only primary home ground full size field and allows us the space to play age groups from U12's to U18's. This must be retained as a full size field moving forward.</p> <p><b>Proposed Field 7:</b></p> <p>Currently Pittwater Tigers use the synthetic field at Narrabeen Sports High School as an overflow to Nth Narrabeen Reserve for junior age games. When playing at the school, at substantial cost payable to Council, we lose any opportunity to generate canteen sales and we would prefer if all of our home games were within the Nth Narrabeen Reserve precinct.</p> <p>The proposed field 7 would allow us to host all of our home games in the one location. To achieve this we require an oval that is a minimum of 90m in length x 75m wide. Simon has measured this area and we believe we can fit this size oval in which allows us to play age groups from U9's - U11's which reduces congestion on field 6. There are currently two trees (see picture) which are currently enclosed by wooden frames. We would request that the tree furthest from the clubhouse is relocated to allow for the junior field.</p>

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	<div data-bbox="341 226 660 640" data-label="Image"> </div> <p data-bbox="341 674 1382 734">We would also ask that the proposed field 7 has lights to allow for training session to be held there.</p> <ul data-bbox="389 768 1410 999" style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AFL advise that a junior field for U9's to U12's should be 100m length x 75m wide.</li> <li>• Note: Field 7's development does not replace Tiger's need for field 6. Field 7 is needed in addition to, as our playing numbers increase and due to the significant cost of hiring the synthetic field at Narrabeen Sports High.</li> <li>• Tigers supports formalised parking adjacent the proposed field 7.</li> <li>• Ambulance access to be moved with the development of field 7 to in line from the Clubhouse to Walsh St.</li> </ul> <p data-bbox="341 1037 695 1066"><b>Club house redevelopment:</b></p> <ul data-bbox="389 1093 1436 1563" style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Female facilities and facilities suitable for people with disability. Requirement to meet disability BCA codes.</li> <li>• Formalise storage by incorporating into the new Clubhouse redevelopment. Tigers have two types of storage requirements – the grounds equipment including modified golf buggy, and merchandise/product to sell (clothing, food etc).</li> <li>• Larger canteen with ability to cook and prepare food within.</li> <li>• Larger clubhouse main room for club meetings, small functions</li> <li>• Office connected to main club room</li> <li>• First aid room</li> <li>• Drainage around clubhouse be addressed</li> <li>• Two doors to enable separate ingress and egress into the main Club room for on play days, registrations etc to ensure free flow of pedestrian movement. We currently experience significant people congestion surrounding the door which is also a fire safety hazard.</li> </ul> <p data-bbox="341 1624 456 1653"><b>Lighting:</b></p> <p data-bbox="341 1675 1386 1738">Lighting is currently for a rectangular field and creates poor lighting in many areas which impacts our ability to train in winter evenings.</p> <p data-bbox="341 1765 462 1794"><b>Grounds:</b></p> <ul data-bbox="389 1821 1401 1984" style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drainage at east beach end of the field be addressed</li> <li>• Connectivity of the Clubhouse with formalised path to the Rugby/baseball clubhouse and along to the proposed new carpark.</li> <li>• Propose a lower wet weather grounds closure trigger for Council, given the areas that flood are surrounding the fields, not the fields themselves.</li> </ul>



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6	<p>Hello, Please find below my submission on the above PoM.</p> <p>.... The internal roads within the reserve become heavily congested and a bottleneck is created during weekly sports use, creating a situation where no one can get in or out. An additional exit road needs to be installed at the baseball fields carpark leading to adjacent the Arnott Cres golf centre side as an additional exit. It could be one way.</p> <p>....the access road to the baseball courts and associated carpark is dangerous for pedestrians as there is no formalized foot path and vehicles park illegally over the marked road side verge. Needs to have a formal foot path installed.</p> <p>....better night lighting is required.</p> <p>.... Desperately require female player change facilities in the touch/AFL clubhouse and improved access for people with disability by creating BCA compliant redevelopment.</p> <p>....increase parking by installation of angled parking on Walsh st. Will more than double it.</p> <p>.... Wet weather play. So many games cancelled during la Nina. Fields need much better drainage.</p> <p>.... Great opportunity for the Pittwater Community to develop a public swimming pool. The closest is Warringah aquatic or manly swim centre. Rock pools are too cold over winter and spring. It's quite unfair.</p> <p>....pump track would be great to keep local kids out of trouble and will help to minimise them creating local dirt tracks.</p> <p>Thank you,</p>
7	<p>Northern Beaches Council</p> <p>Attention [REDACTED] [REDACTED]</p> <p>Dear Madam,</p> <p>In reply to the request for sporting and recreation at North Narrabeen Reserve, Please leave things as they are as there is a vigorous bird life including tawny frogmouth owls, sea eagle, Kurrawong that nest in the 'passive open space area' 'passive open space' area which should not be disturbed. The addition of ladies change rooms would be recommended Sincerely,</p>
8	<p>Good morning,</p> <p>We live in Warriewood and Rat park is where we go to walk. There are not many benches to rest or enjoy the view. Please include in your design more seats and barbecue areas. Also, there is nowhere to buy any drink or food in this area. There needs to be places to buy some food and drinks. Apart from that there no toilets in the car park area. Grandstand area is gated and locked. No access to toilets, it is not acceptable. We have just retired and would love to enjoy life here. Please consider residents requirements and wishes.</p>

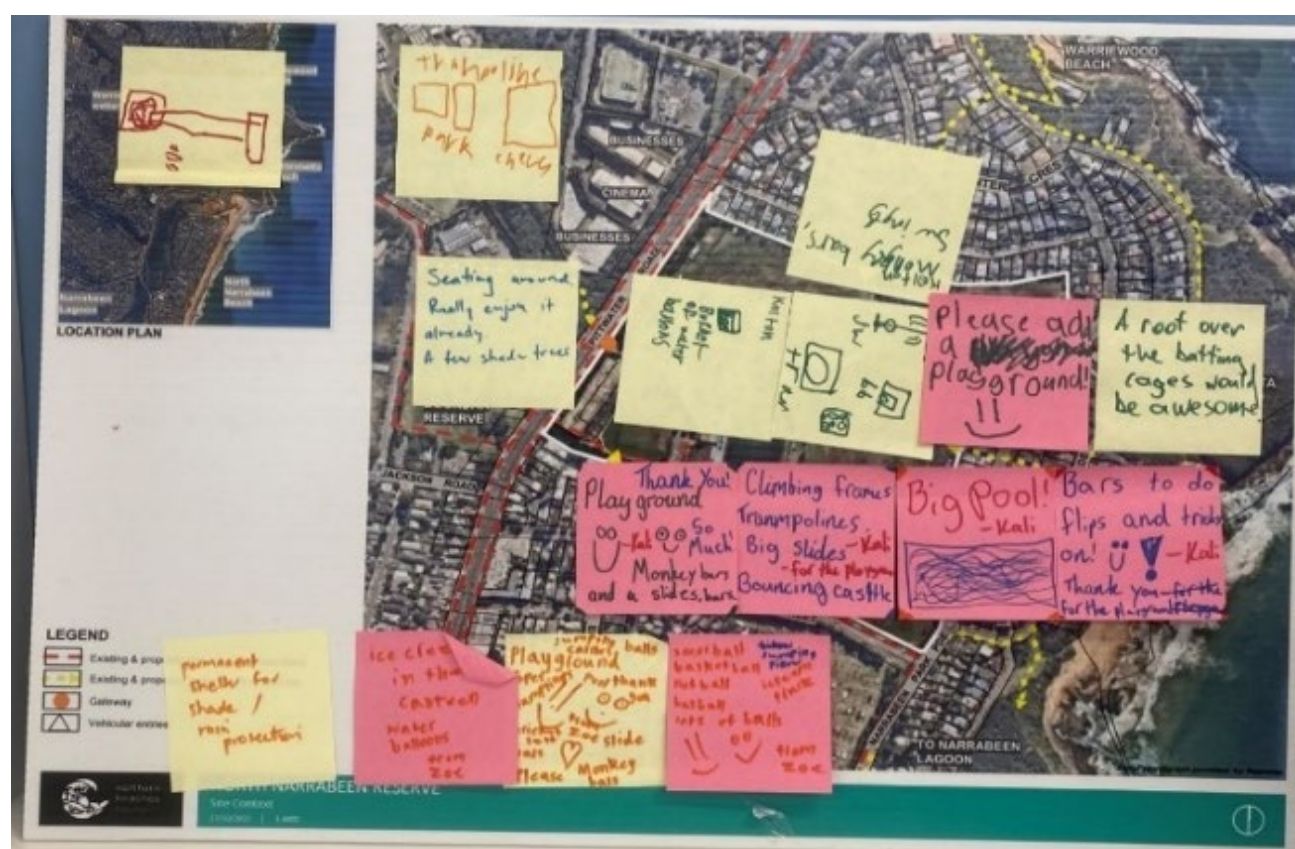
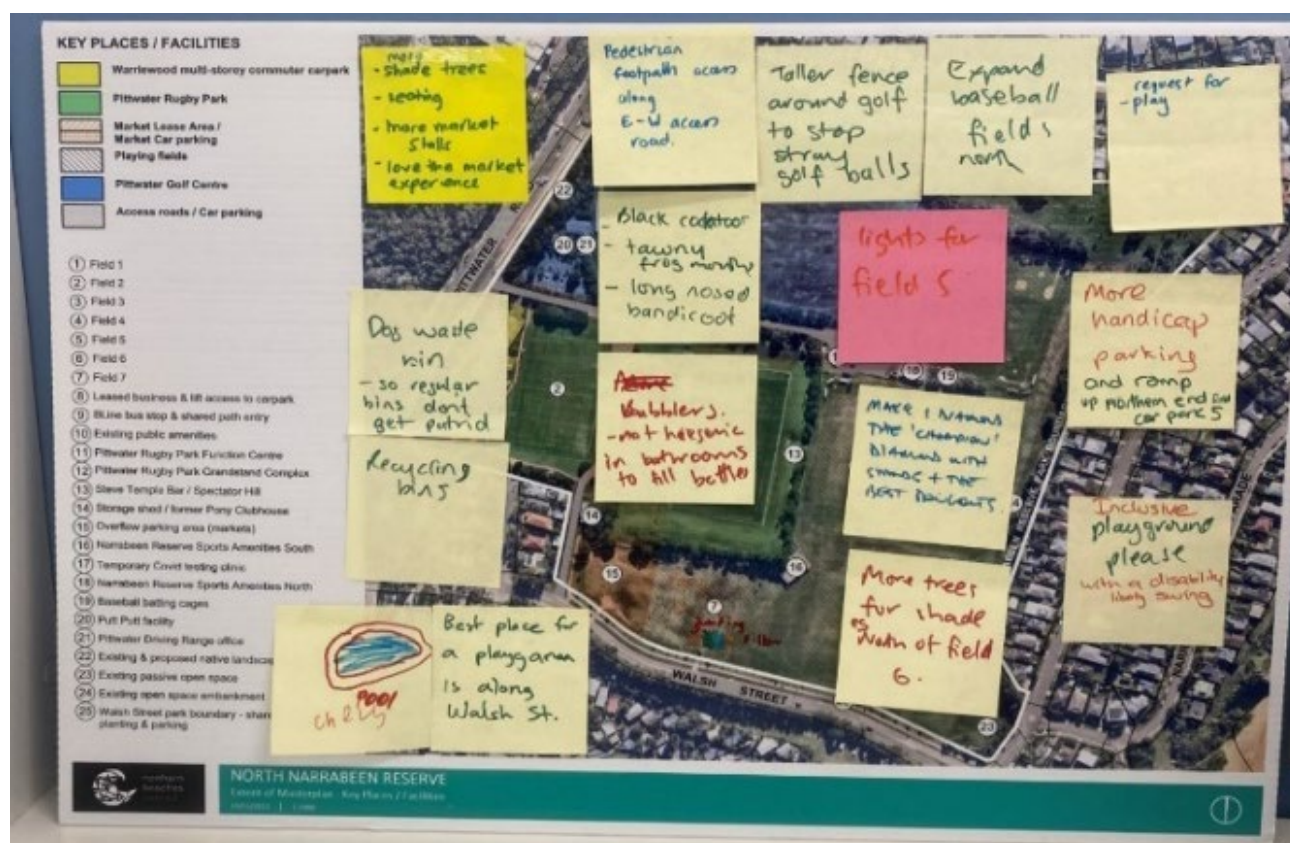
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	Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,
9	<p>Dear Sir</p> <p>Re: North Narrabeen Reserve Masterplan and Plan of Management</p> <p>On behalf of Warringah Rugby Club we are excited to see the masterplan and plan of management being opened to the general public for comments and submissions. We have shared the details with our members and supporters, local businesses and junior rugby clubs.</p> <p>As the longest serving tenant at Pittwater Rugby Park we would greatly appreciate the opportunity to provide input to Council on the masterplan and plan of management and have several members keen to lend their support to assist with Pittwater Rugby Park being a sporting hub for the northern beaches supporting both male and female sports.</p> <p>Yours sincerely</p>

## D. Drop-in sessions summary of key feedback

<b>Key Themes</b> <b>Drop In Session 1</b> <b>On Site, Friday 18 November 2022</b>	<b>Key Themes</b> <b>Drop In Session 2</b> <b>On Site, Saturday 19 November 2022</b>
<p>Community garden  Off-leash dog area (for and against)  Provide permanent structures for market stalls/events e.g. Eumundi  Improve AFL facilities  Flood mitigation  Additional Parking 3rd level on carpark  Review market area layout for better flow  Formalise existing path from Pittwater Rd to Vuko Place  Improve pedestrian connectivity / accessibility  Protect existing vegetation for local fauna habitat  Additional trees/vegetated areas  Maintain passive open space adjacent residents  Not too much hard surfacing  Aquatic facility and associated BBQ/picnic facilities  Seating  Archery facilities (Warringah archers)  Overflow parking area to be used for sports  More parking  Flooding impact on Narrabeen Creek  Topsoil fill yearly to Field 5 and 6 for better drainage  Grassed open space great for Barefoot running  BBQ, seating facilities  Safe bike riding path  Shade trees - local native species  Minimise development  Seating areas near markets  Dogs in markets issue  Dog free area to sit  Better lighting to shared path (Collins St)  Conflict with market parking and Bin collection when  Friday markets on  Market users parking in golf centre on Fridays  Use for horses/larger animals</p>	<p>Shade trees  Seating  More market stalls  Dog waste bins  Recycling bins  Aquatic pool facility  Request for play  Equipment ideas - trampolines, flying fox, monkey bars, swings, basket ball hoop, big slides, limbing frames  Preferred location for play along Walsh Street  Drinking water refill stations  Protect vegetated areas providing habitat for native fauna i.e.: tawny frog mouth, black cockatoo, long-nosed bandicoot  More accessible parking  Accessible ramp to northern end carpark Field 5.  Inclusive play with accessible swing  More tree planting for shade especially north of field 6.  Pedestrian access path between E to W road access  Lights for Field 5  Taller fence around golf to stop stray balls  Make one Diamond the 'Champion' diamond with stands and best dugouts  Roof over batting cages</p>



**Images below: Post-it Note comments from drop in sessions**



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