

Henry Bishop Park Improvements

Engagement Summary

July 2025



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A healthy and active park

City of Moreton Bay is committed to enhancing local parks and creating vibrant, inclusive spaces that support active, healthy communities.

Henry Bishop Park is important to the local community. It provides a green space to play and enjoy for the surrounding residents.

Situated on Ann Maree Drive, Caboolture, Henry Bishop Park is within convenient walking distance of approximately 200 homes.

Local community members identified an opportunity to add a modified basketball half-court or similar improvement to provide more activities for young people.

We sought feedback from park users and neighbours about the suggestion for a modified basketball half-court. We also asked about other possible park improvements. Your feedback will help us plan for growth and make Henry Bishop Park a place that can be enjoyed for years to come.



Community members visiting the park pop-up.

Engagement snapshot

Between 9 May and 6 June 2025, we invited feedback on the Henry Bishop Park Improvements project. During the consultation period, we had:



800 + webpage visitors



68 survey contributions from community members



140 flyers delivered to neighbouring residents



30 attended the community pop-up event

The focus of engagement was to hear from community members on whether they would support a modified basketball half-court or similar park improvement.

Generally, we heard:



The majority of community members are in support of a modified basketball half-court.



The top reasons for support are engagement of teenagers in parks (50%) and the opportunity of outdoor play (30%).



Community members want more flexibility in the space to accommodate the needs of residents of all ages.



Suggestions for an alternative option also focused on accommodating activities for a wider age group.

How we engaged

We invited community feedback on the park improvements over a four-week period between 9 May and 6 June 2025.

Opportunities to have a say on improvements to Henry Bishop Park were promoted via:



Dedicated project webpage on Your Say Moreton Bay



Project flyer delivered to 140 neighbouring homes



Signage displayed in Henry Bishop Park

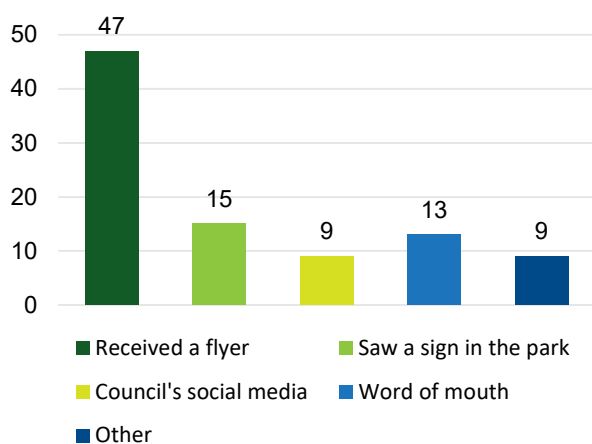


Email to Your Say Moreton Bay subscribers living in Caboolture and surrounding areas



Social media posts geo-targeted to Caboolture and surrounding areas

This mix of tools was effective in reaching local residents and park users.



Graph showing responses from online survey question on how people heard about the survey.

Collecting feedback

Community members could share their views by:



Completing a short online survey



Attending the park pop-up to speak with the project team.



Emailing feedback to yoursay@moretonbay.qld.gov.au

We received 68 survey responses and spoke to more than 25 people at the pop-up event at the park.



80+
Community insights given



800+
Your Say webpage views



30
Attended pop-up at Henry Bishop Park



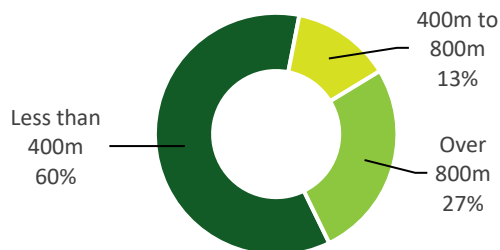
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Survey responses



140
Flyers delivered to neighbouring residents

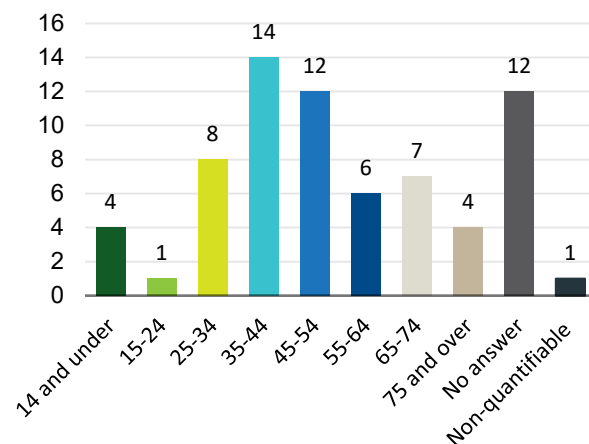
Who we heard from

Over half (60%) of participants who completed the survey are living within 400 metres of the park.



Graph showing responses from online survey question on proximity to the park.

There was a mix of ages amongst respondents, with approximately half noting they had filled out the survey on behalf of others, primarily on behalf of children.



Graph showing responses from online survey question on demographics.



Current playground equipment in the park

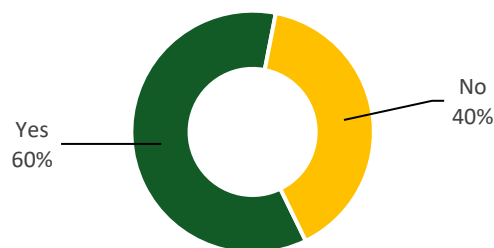
“As a parent of young adolescents in the area, I support the park upgrade. We are forever encouraging our children to be outside and engage in social settings. It could also be a good opportunity for the older generations in the area to interact with the children and form generational relationships. The park in its current state does not provide adequate facilities for the number of children in the area or for their ages.”

Resident submission

What we heard

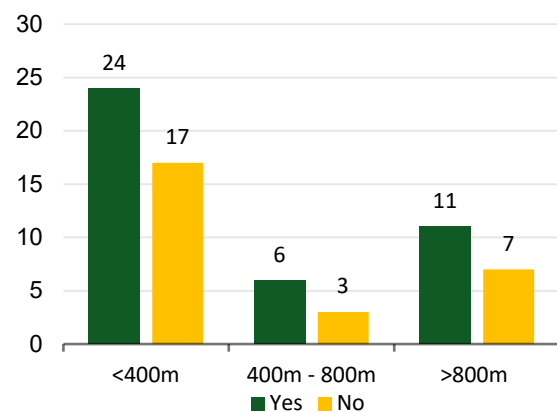
Support for half-court

We asked whether participants would support the proposal of a basketball half-court. 60% were in favour and 40% were opposed.



Graph showing responses from online survey question on proposed basketball half-court.

This majority of support for the proposed basketball half-court was maintained regardless of how close the respondent lived to the park.



Graph showing comparative responses from online survey questions on proximity to park and proposed basketball half-court.

Of those who supported the proposal, the top four reasons were:

-  Engagement of teenagers in City of Moreton Bay's parks (50%)
-  Opportunity for outdoor play in the community (30%)
-  Promotes health and physical activity (15%)
-  Encourages social interaction within the community (5%).

Of those who did not support the proposal, the top four reasons were:

-  A basketball half-court would not suit the demographics of the area (26%)
-  The area could be better used for a different recreation purpose (18%)
-  A basketball half-court is not necessary (15%)
-  Concern for noise (12%)

"An upgrade to the park would encourage more community engagement and would accommodate the changing demographics of the community."

Resident submission

Community members attending the pop-up event in the park spoke with the project team, asked questions and shared their insights. Most attendees also completed the survey on the spot.

21 community members who attended the pop-up participated in an activity where they could vote for either a basketball half-court or 'something else'.

Voting activity outcomes



21 Votes total



14 Votes for basketball half-court



7 Votes for "something else"

"This is a great space for kids in the neighbourhood to use, would be good to accommodate the interests of teenagers."

Resident submission

Community priorities

Conversations held at the pop-up event gave more insights into the needs of the community:



The local area has a mix of older residents and families with young children and teenagers.



Older children want somewhere they can meet with friends to play together outside of their backyards.



A desire for flexible, mixed-use facilities that enable a range of uses, for example, basketball, handball, and netball.



Community members would like to see upgrades to existing aging playground equipment, as well as more seating and shade that make their visit to this park more comfortable and enjoyable.



Suggestions for an alternative option focused on providing activity for a wider age group (For example: tracks for bikes/scooters, gym equipment, climbing equipment, etc).

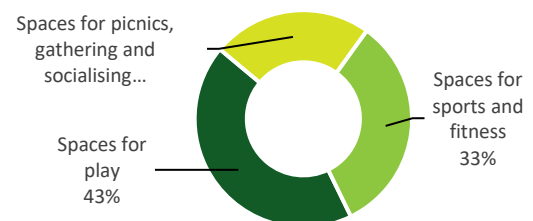


Community member completing online survey

Alternative options

The survey included questions about preferences for play and park options to identify acceptable alternatives if a modified basketball half-court was not supported.

Nearly half (43%) of respondents wanted spaces for play within walking distance of their home, followed closely (33%) by spaces for sports and fitness.



Graph showing responses from online survey question on alternative options.

When respondents were asked to rank potential improvements to Henry Bishop Park, the top four preferences were:



Shaded area for gathering



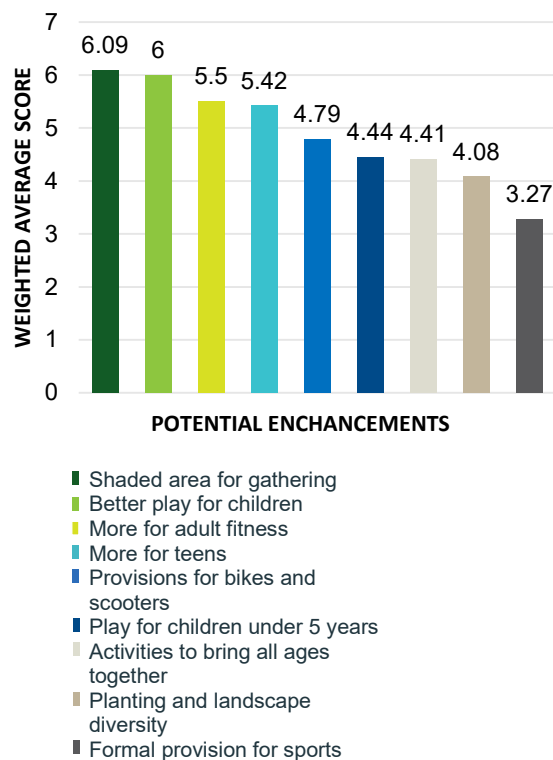
Better play for children



More for adult fitness



More for teens.



Graph showing responses from online survey question on ranking potential improvements.

Participants' suggestions for alternatives to the proposed basketball half-court fell into the following key themes:



Facilities for riding scooters, bikes and skateboards (pathways, tracks) (16%)



Improved play facilities (obstacle course, newer equipment, play for older kids) (15%)



Facilities for socialisation and relaxation (shade, seating, tables) (15%)



Fitness equipment (gym apparatus, running track) (13%)



Formalised sport facilities (full-sized basketball court, pickleball, handball) (12%).

We also asked the community to provide any other feedback they wanted to share. The top six themes were support for:



General upgrade of Henry Bishop Park (15%)



Additional and improved recreational facilities (playground equipment, pump track) (10%)



More variety of new amenities (seating, shade, toilets) (9%)



Expanded provision of socialisation facilities (BBQs, picnic tables) (9%)



Walking pathways (9%)



Improved visual amenity and landscaping (9%).

Next steps

Thank you to everyone who participated during the engagement period.

Your feedback will help us plan future improvements to Henry Bishop Park that meet the needs of the community.

In deciding what improvements to deliver and when to deliver them, we will also consider community needs across our city-wide network of parks, best practice landscape design principles, site constraints, project budget and market quotes.

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“Thank you for looking to update the area. It’s a beautiful space but not used to its capacity at the moment.”

Survey respondent

