

Lindsay Road Sports Ground Enhancement

Community Engagement Summary

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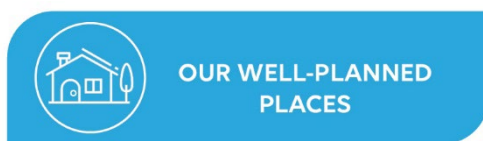
We acknowledge the Kabi Kabi, Jinibara and Turrbal Peoples as the Traditional Custodians of the lands and waterways of the Moreton Bay region, and pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging. We recognise that City of Moreton Bay has always been a place of cultural, spiritual, social and economic significance to First Nations people.

We are committed to working in partnership with Traditional Custodians and other First Nations communities to shape a shared future that celebrates First Nations history and culture as an irreplaceable foundation of our city's collective identity.

Alignment with our roadmap

The Lindsay Road Sports Ground project is helping to achieve the outcomes of our Corporate Plan 2022–2027 and realise our vision: **Our Moreton Bay. Amazing places. Natural spaces.**

The strategic pillar this project specifically relates to is:



By 2033, our Moreton Bay will be a network of well-planned and connected places and spaces, enhancing lifestyle, accessibility and employment choices.

Read more about Council's Corporate Plan and the pillars that underpin it at <https://www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/Services/Reports-Policies/Corporate-Plan>

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Enhancing a local sports facility

Creating vibrant and healthy communities is a priority for Council. We are looking at how we can develop and redevelop existing sports facilities to ensure we can meet community needs now and into the future.

Lindsay Road Sports Ground is in Morayfield and is approximately seven hectares in size. It currently has three hockey fields, two training fields and two cricket pitches. Although the site is well established and close to residential neighbourhoods, it experiences just a moderate level of use (primarily for cricket, hockey and dog training). Limitations at the site such as a lack of lighting and pedestrian connections mean it is underutilised for training, competition activities and community use.

We undertook early consultation with key site stakeholders to inform the development of a draft Concept Design, to guide future improvements to Lindsay Road Sports Ground.

The draft Concept Design was then made available for public comment between 20 November and 15 December 2023.

This report summarises the community feedback received about the draft Concept Design during the consultation period.

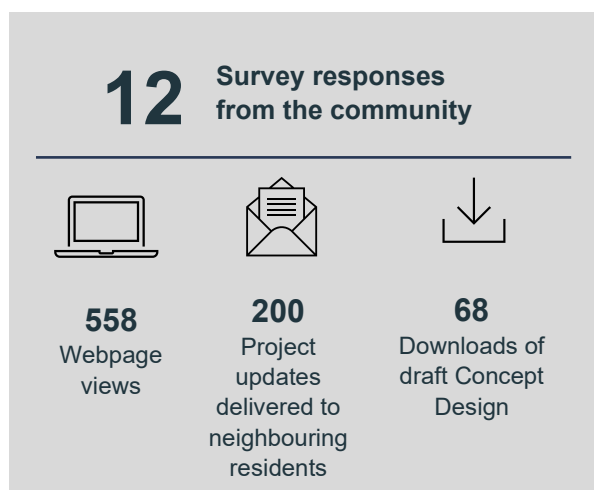
“ I like the facilities, carpark and clubhouse upgrade. I like the idea of the fitness area too.
Consultation participant



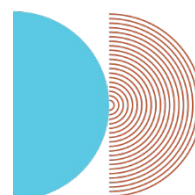
Engagement snapshot

Between 20 November and 15 December 2023 via 12 survey responses, the community told us:

- improvements to Lindsay Road Sports Ground are supported and the changes will encourage greater use of the facility
- native gardens will be aesthetically pleasing
- addition of pathways and connections to residential area is supported
- inclusion of public toilets, BBQs and more shelters would be welcome.



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Consultation participant



How we engaged

From the Moreton Says survey series we already know spaces for relaxing and daily exercise, picnic and BBQ facilities, tables, seating and playgrounds (all ages and abilities) are the top things communities in Moreton Bay would like to see in parks and outdoor spaces in their neighbourhoods.

Council engaged to explore these preferences in more detail for this specific sports ground and to:

- gather early feedback from site stakeholders to inform development of the draft Concept Design
- seek feedback from the community on the draft Concept Design.

Lindsay Road Sports Ground site user groups were invited in early 2022 to provide ideas, solutions and contribute to opportunities and constraints mapping for future improvements to the site. Hockey, cricket and dog agility groups who use the site were asked to provide feedback. The feedback helped inform the development of the draft Concept Design.

This summary report presents the findings of the public consultation period where feedback from the community was sought on the draft Concept Design.

Community survey

The community and site stakeholders were invited to provide feedback on the draft Concept Design for Lindsay Road Sports Ground via an online survey.

To enable community members and site stakeholders to provide informed feedback, a description of the planned upgrades and a copy of the draft Concept Design were made available on Council's Your Say Moreton Bay page. The survey opened on 20 November and closed on 15 November 2023.

The opportunity to provide feedback was promoted through a letterbox drop to 200 residential properties in the housing estate that adjoins the Sports Ground, temporary corflute signage at the ground, Council's Your Say Moreton Bay newsletter and electronic direct mail to 724 Your Say Moreton Bay parks and recreation project subscribers and a Facebook post. Existing site stakeholders were also contacted directly and informed of the opportunity to provide feedback during the public consultation period.

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Consultation participant

"...we are constantly lugging shelter to field 1...for morning games of cricket...lasting up to four hours...additional shelters would be greatly appreciated by both home and visiting spectators."

Consultation participant

"As there are often dog walkers at the field, I suggest a few dog waste bag stations around the grounds."

Consultation participant



What we heard



The survey received 12 responses during the four-week consultation period. Eight respondents live in Morayfield, two in Narangba and one each in Burpengary and Bribie Island. There were slightly more responses from females than males and most respondents were aged between 40 and 49 years.

What is liked about the draft Concept Design?

When we asked what was liked about the Concept Design, you told us that you generally liked the layout and Council's focus on enhancing sporting facilities in the area. You also highlighted your support for the following additions:

- carparking
- native plants and gardens that were thought to be aesthetically pleasing and enticing
- lighting, circuit pathways and pedestrian connections for residents
- a clubhouse and shelters.

“*[I like] pedestrian connections, walking pathways, native plantings, lighting, parking and exercise equipment.*

Consultation participant

What could be improved?

When we asked what could be improved about the draft Concept Design, you told us you wanted more:

- pet friendly facilities, including water stations and waste bags
- connectivity to public transport and local community, for example pedestrian/cycle access linking the ground to established housing zones along Anderson Road

- benches for mobility impaired people who do not rely on wheelchairs
- shelters for sporting spectators and water fountain facilities
- BBQ facilities at two of the four shelters
- trees for sound proofing and installation of sound barriers
- improvement to facilities for hockey, for example a synthetic turf ground, would enable the Club to grow
- toilets for public use

You also told us:

- plan does not address the issue of existing carparks not fitting a car in each space
- consider providing space for remote control car users
- cricket field (especially field two) should be levelled because it is uneven
- clubhouse should be licensed.

Some respondents expressed concern about a cricket pitch being located within the hockey fields. It should be noted the current field configuration (as it is currently used), with the cricket wickets positioned off the hockey fields, is not expected to change. The configuration shown in the draft Concept Plan was indicative only.

Next Steps

Thank you to everyone who completed the survey and provided feedback on the draft Concept Design for Lindsay Road Sports Ground. Council will consider your feedback, alongside best practice landscape design principles, site constraints, project budget and market quotes to determine the final Concept Design.

The final Concept Design will be shared on the Your Say Moreton Bay page when completed.





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