



Reimagining Lahore Park

Community Engagement Summary

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Designing a new play space at Lahore Park

City of Moreton Bay undertook community engagement with residents of all ages and a range of abilities in Woody Point to inform the design of a new play space and renewal of Lahore Park.

Between 8 June 2025 and 6 July 2025, approximately 123 people participated across a range of engagement activities. The engagement program specifically targeted local residents, people with disability and children.

The purpose was to work with the community to understand the current experience and use of the park, different user needs and identify key attributes and features for the new play space.

City of Moreton Bay is developing the Moreton Bay Play Plan. This will provide a 10-year framework to create a diverse, inclusive, accessible and optimised network of play spaces that caters to everyone in the community. The plan will guide the planning, provision, design, collaboration and investment in play spaces across the city.

The renewal and design of a new play space at Lahore Park provided an opportunity to test some of the emerging principles and strategies of the Play Plan.

Engagement snapshot

The following summarises key themes from across the various engagement activities:

- **People love Lahore Park as it is:** Strong desire to retain established trees, birds, ocean views, large grassed areas, and the park's natural character.
- **A valued community space:** Lahore Park is a much-loved community space used for a wide range of activities, from dog walking, hill sprints, to hosting celebrations and playing summer cricket.
- **Retain the unstructured open space:** The park provides for a range of informal recreation (walking, dog walking, cricket, soccer, bocce).
- **Play for all ages:** Interest in diverse play opportunities (e.g. fitness stations, climbing structures, table tennis, risky/challenging play) with options for both young children, older kids and adults.
- **Accessibility and comfort:** The park's natural terrain and slope can cause a range of accessibility barriers. The following suggestions may improve accessibility across ages and abilities: accessible pathways, wayfinding signage, stairs, inclusive play elements, seating, lighting, and shelters.
- **Nature play focus:** Preference for play that uses natural materials and works with the park's natural topography and character.
- **Inclusive play space:** Desire for a play area that provides opportunities for people of different abilities.

How we engaged

We invited people living near Lahore Park to provide feedback and help shape the renewal of the park and design of a new play space.

The overarching engagement objectives were to:

- understand what nearby residents currently value and love about Lahore Park
- understand how Lahore Park is currently used
- hear ideas to improve and enhance Lahore Park
- gather feedback on preferences for different types of play.



All-abilities workshop participants

The following engagement activities were undertaken.



54 people completed an online survey on the project webpage



30 people attended a community pop-up at Lahore Park



12 people, including children and adults, participated in a design workshop at Lahore Park



9 people with a range of visible and hidden disabilities took part in a design workshop. Participants were recruited from Queenslanders with Disability Network (QDN)



18 students from Humpybong Primary School participated in a design workshop

What the pop-up told us

What you love about Lahore Park

We heard people love the:

- strong sense of community the park fosters
- large, informal open spaces
- ocean views
- natural feel
- variety of trees and birds
- range of different activities that occur, such as soccer, cricket and bocce, through to quiet reflection, dog walking, children's parties and family gatherings.

That it [Lahore Park] is unique and exists!

Lahore Park has local importance for the community

It's so nice to have a reason to come outside in the sun in winter



Community pop-up at Lahore Park

What you want to see in the future

We heard people want to see the following in the future:

- Lahore Park to stay as it is
- more seating and shelter
- better tree maintenance, including trimming weak branches and removing dead trees for safety
- improved accessibility, such as footpaths and stairs, particularly in the steep sections of the park

Some community members support public toilets in the park, while others feel there are sufficient facilities nearby and installing toilets may attract antisocial behaviour.

Other ideas

Some other ideas for Lahore Park include:

- more flowering gum species
- a permanent cricket pitch (some noted the area may be too small for this)
- a play space suited for younger children
- community garden
- opportunities for more intergenerational activities
- more acknowledgement about the history of the park
- protect and nurture the native trees and local habitat.

What the workshops told us

Workshops were undertaken with students from Humpybong Primary School, people with disabilities and the general community. Workshops were undertaken to gain insights into:

- experiences and values associated with Lahore Park now
- ideas and aspirations for the future
- specific play space needs of particular user groups, particularly children and young people and people with disabilities.

Lahore Park now

What you like

- how the park lends itself to a variety of informal activities such as walking, running and dog walking
- the big, flat grassy area that can be used for a variety of activities
- it's use as a gathering place – for neighbours to socialise, family events and celebrations, and everything in-between
- established native trees that provide shade and attract birds to the area.
- ocean views
- it's a natural, quiet, peaceful and relaxing feel.

What you do

The following types of activities and uses currently occur in Lahore Park:

- casual and informal sports – like cricket and soccer
- exercise – particularly hill sprints and dog walking
- passive recreation – from taking in the view to just being outside
- a thoroughfare – people walk through to get to the beach and shops
- socialising – people meet here for a casual catch-up, game of cards, BBQ and parties.

Barriers and challenges

Some barriers and challenges associated with Lahore Park were identified across participant groups, including:

- safety and maintenance, including gum trees dropping branches in strong coastal wind
- poor-quality soil becomes exposed after wind and rain
- steep slope on the eastern side of the park near Whytecliff Road can make accessibility a challenge.

People with disability specifically identified barriers and challenges around the lack of signage, wayfinding and lighting at Lahore Park. Trip hazards were also noted, particularly around tree roots. The accessibility of toilets and dedicated accessible car parking is also a challenge for this user group.

The future of play at Lahore Park

Across workshops, we sought to explore community preferences and ideas for a new play space at Lahore Park. We heard:

- Lahore Park is well suited to nature play, as it enhances the park's natural feel and responds to its beautiful setting.
- People would like play spaces that include physical and adventure elements such as climbing and balancing. This allows users to use their imagination and supports individual or group play.
- Sensory play is inclusive and engaging for people with disability and younger children.
- There is a preference to separate play areas for younger children and older children, to avoid conflict between age groups.
- There is a desire for informal sport areas where people can practice or play casual games.

- There is mixed views on including outdoor gym equipment – some think this would be a great idea, and others are not so keen. However, there is consensus that a formal running track up the hill would be an excellent addition to the area.
- People would like to see play opportunities for all ages.

Play spaces our young participants love!

- Four-person see saws, flying foxes, climbing structures and swings
- Boys prefer informal sports including hard courts where they can play handball or basketball
- Girls tended to prefer spaces for social play like swings.

Participants were asked to indicate their level of support for different types of play spaces at Lahore Park based on example images. The following photos are highly supported by workshop participants.



Ideas for the future

A vision for Lahore Park

The following summarises key aspects of a vision for a renewed Lahore Park:

- **Reinforce the natural setting and values** - there is a desire to preserve the natural character of Lahore Park. This could be reflected in the play space design, materials, and any new furniture and embellishments provided in the park.
- **Supporting biodiversity** - protect and enhance native plantings to attract birds, butterflies, and insects, and manage trees so they thrive
- **Encouraging gathering and community connection** – the park could provide a range of ways for people to gather, such as for picnics, informal celebrations and gatherings.

Features you don't want to see in Lahore Park

We heard you don't want to see the following as part of a renewed Lahore Park:

- features that feel artificial or out of place for the park's natural setting
- large or themed imaginative play elements that don't suit the park's context
- concrete-heavy sports areas
- waterplay due to mosquito concern
- sand play, as there is a beach across the road.

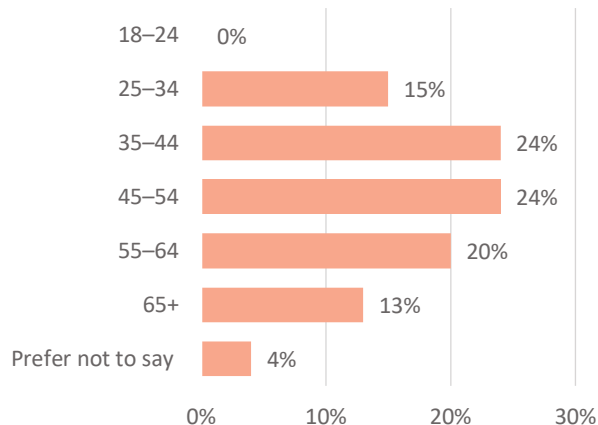


Co-design workshop at Lahore Park, participants developing their park vision

What the survey told us

Participant profile

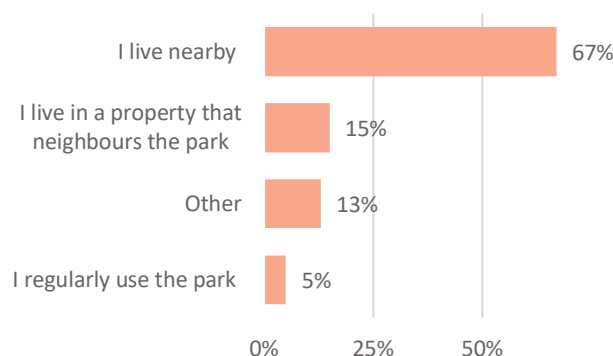
54 people completed the survey. Most respondents were aged between 35-54 years.



Age of respondents (54 responses)

Relationship to Lahore Park

Most respondents live near Lahore Park.



Respondents' relationship to Lahore Park (54 responses)

How you use Lahore Park now

Respondents told us:

- most use Lahore Park daily - to walk their dogs, for leisure, or as a thoroughfare to get home or to the beach
- they enjoy the quiet space and sitting on the benches to watch birds and take in the green space
- many use the hill for hill sprints and exercise
- people use the BBQ facilities and shelters to host birthday celebrations.

Respondents told us they love the following aspects of Lahore Park:

- open green space
- big native trees
- panoramic ocean views
- the birds
- there is no development or concrete obstruction to the ocean.



Word cloud of words used to describe what participants love about Lahore Park now

Lahore Park in the future

Type of play

Respondents told us the top three types of play that should be in Lahore Park are:



Nature play (33 votes)



Physical play (26 votes)

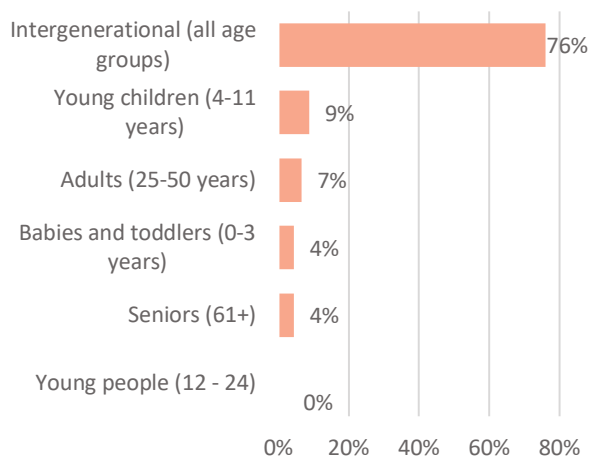


Risk/challenging play (21 votes)

The least popular play options were imaginative play (7 votes) and creative/art play (7 votes).

Target age for a new play space

Most respondents think the future play space in should be designed for all ages (76%).



Preferred age groups the play space could be designed for? (46 responses)

Respondents want an all ages play space because:

- it would get used across different times of the day and week
- the area needs more spaces that cater for older teenagers
- equipment that supports limited mobility would be well used.

We assume older kids have “outgrown” playgrounds... that they are too cool, too big or just not interested anymore... but the truth is, most older children have a desire to play, we simply stopped giving them spaces to do it.”

Providing quality play experience

Respondents told us the following features and amenities would improve the play experience in Lahore Park:

- shaded seating areas (38 votes)
- drinking fountain (30 votes)
- picnic tables or BBQ facilities (25 votes).

Other feedback

Respondents shared other suggestions for Lahore Park including:

- it should remain an open green space for informal play and passive enjoyment
- some can see opportunities for small scale nature play that supports all ages
- it is important to improve accessibility
- protect the park’s established trees and vegetation.

Next steps

Thank you to everyone who took part in shaping the future of Lahore Park - whether by doing the community survey, participating in a workshop or stopping by for a chat at our drop-in session.

Your thoughtful contributions have helped us better understand what makes this park special to you, and how we can build on its unique character to meet the needs of current and future generations.

All feedback collected is now being carefully reviewed and will directly inform the development of a concept design. This design will aim to reflect the values, ideas, and aspirations shared by the community.

Once the concept design is ready, it will be published on the project webpage. To stay up to date with the latest news and opportunities to have your say, click '+Follow' at the top of the project webpage: moretonbay.link/reimagininglahorepark



A person enjoying the views from a picnic shelter in Lahore Park

