

TOWN OF COTTESLOE



PUBLIC OPEN SPACE WORKING GROUP NOTES

WAR MEMORIAL HALL, COTTESLOE CIVIC CENTRE

109 BROOME STREET, COTTESLOE

5:00pm, Thursday, 21 April 2022

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Chief Executive Officer

21 April 2022

PUBLIC OPEN SPACE WORKING GROUP

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Working Group is to consider improvements to all public open space outside of the Central Foreshore Precinct and the SVGC/Harvey Field Recreation Precinct provided by the Town which will enhance their use and enjoyment by the community.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

- a. To advise Council on infrastructure and policy requirements to improve all public open space provided by the Town (outside the of the Central Foreshore Precinct and the SVGC/Harvey Field Recreation Precinct); and
- b. Make recommendations to Council on matters relevant to the Committee.

CONFIDENTIALITY

These papers are not confidential on the whole; however, they will not be published on the Town's website or made available for public distribution. Elected Members/Committee Members are not prevented from discussing any topic raised in these papers in general terms; however, they should not be distributed as there are parts that are confidential for a host of reasons (e.g. the presence of legal advice).

The purpose of the meeting is for Members to provide informal feedback / raise issues with the progress of nominated projects. No decisions can be made at this forum and any matter that ultimately requires a Council decision will be presented to a Council meeting.

As no decisions can be made at the meeting and many of the topics could be considered confidential at this stage, the forum will not be open to the public.

The notes contained within these papers are in note form, they are not finalised reports. Members have an opportunity to ask for information to be considered for inclusion in reports on these matters, which will be considered by the officers when reports are finalised.

Officers are very aware of the need to maintain transparency in the decision making process. As noted in the departmental guidelines on such forums, the best way to maintain transparency in decision making is to ensure that all decisions are made in public meetings. With this in mind, officers have deliberately omitted any recommendations from these notes, instead noting how we suggest we proceed with the matter at hand. Members will be free to provide feedback on these suggestions; however, no specific direction should be given or debated.

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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

1.1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to begin by acknowledging the Whadjuk Nyoongar people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet today, and pay my respects to their Elders past and present. I extend that respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples here today.

1.2 ELECTION OF A WORKING GROUP CHAIR

The CEO called for nominations for a Presiding Member.

Cr Chilla Bulbeck nominated Cr Melissa Harkins.

Cr Melissa Harkins accepted the nomination.

AS NO OTHER NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED, WAS DECLARED ELECTED AND ASSUMED THE CHAIR AT 5:00PM

2 DISCLAIMER

Refer to the Disclaimer on the inside of the cover page

3 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION

The meeting will be recorded, solely for the purpose of confirming the correctness of the Minutes.

4 ATTENDANCE

Members

Cr Melissa Harkins	Elected Member/Presiding Member
Cr Chilla Bulbeck	Elected Member
Cr Kirsty Barrett	Elected Member
Cr Brad Wylynko	Elected Member
Ms Kerryn Briody	Community Representative
Mr Andrew Mahaffy	Community Representative
Mr Mark Powell	Community Representative
Mr Damien McCann	Community Representative
Ms Robyn Benken	Coastcare Representative
Ms Sue Freeth	Coastcare Representative

Deputy Member

Elected Member/Deputy Member

Staff

Mr Matthew Scott	Chief Executive Officer
Mr Shaun Kan	Manager Projects and Assets
Mr David Lappan	Manager Projects and Assets
Ms Parshia Queen	Project Engineer

Ms Rachel Cranny Executive Services Officer (Engineering)

[Apologies](#)

Ms Natalie Kendal Community Representative

[Visitors](#)

Angus Moore Design Consultant (Nature Based Play)

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

6 PRESENTATIONS

Nature Base Play Presentation – East Cottesloe Playground Concept

7 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

7.1 EAST COTTESLOE PLAYGROUND UPDATE

Item by: Mr Shaun Kan, Director Engineering Services

SUMMARY

The POS Working Group is asked to provide feedback on the attached Concept design developed by the consultant that will be provided to Council to consider approving this for a design and construct tender to be advertised.

BACKGROUND

Following public consultation, Council at the November 2019 Ordinary Meeting adopted the Public Open Space Strategy and prioritised the upgrade of all the playgrounds within the Cottesloe District.

Two working group meetings occurred since 2019 and outcomes summarised as follows:

- At the November 2020 Meeting, the working group accepted a visual summary for the playground
- At the September 2021 Meeting, the working group provided feedback to the consultant on space activation options for each area to form part of the public consultation process. The consultant then considered these comments and provided images for incorporation into the structured community opinion survey.

Council at the November 2021 OCM then resolved as follows:

THAT Council:

1. THANKS the Public Open Space Working Group for their time and contributions in progressing the East Cottesloe Playground Project;

2. APPROVES the attached Community Engagement Plan to carry out public consultation to determine the community's aspirations for the East Cottesloe Playground;

3. NOTES that upon the completion of the public consultation, consideration will be given to the survey results and feedback received to develop a concept that will be tabled at a future Ordinary Council Meeting before progressing with the detail design phase of the project; and

4. NOTES the project framework detailed in the officer's comment section of the report.

The consultation occurred between Monday 29 November 2021 to 21 December 2021 and the attached consultation results were then provided to develop the concept enclosed.

OFFICER COMMENT

Nature Base Play has developed a draft concept for the working group's comments based on the survey results received. The consultants have also estimated the cost of constructing this plan would be in the order of \$300,000.

There are sufficient remaining funds in the budget remaining for this to occur, noting that the actual cost can only be confirmed at the finalisation of the design and construct tender.

Depending on the information received from this meeting, the attached concept plan will be updated and provided to Council for consideration in May 2022 with an appropriate recommendation.

INTENDED OUTCOME FROM MEETING

- (1) POS Working Group to consider the Public Consultation.
- (2) POS Working Group to provide feedback on the proposed concept design
- (3) Notes that this will be presented to the May 2022 OCM

ATTACHMENTS

- (a) Project Concept Plan
 - (b) Public Consultation Feedback
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MEETING NOTES

Cr Harkins introduced this item and handed over to Mr Angus Moore from Nature Base Play to present the proposed Concept Plan.

Toddler Space (0-6 yrs)

- Mark Powell had a question about the fencing around this area – Black cyclone fencing? and the height ?
- Cr Barrett would like to see more incorporated in this space, not just a sandpit.
- Cr Bulbeck commented that the boulders and planting used at the Dutch Inn playground are a good natural deterrent for fencing option

Quiet Space (All ages)

- No comments

Bike Tracks (Pump and Skills Track)

- Park the skills track until funding confirmed by Department of Transport

Cr Bulbeck left the meeting at 5.50pm

Playground and Teen Space (6yrs + / 13yrs+)

- Cr Barrett would like to look at basketball court or something for the older kids

Overall comments from the working group on the concept plan:

- Quote is over budget - \$459,000, budget was \$350,000
- Two options : 1. Bring it back to meet budget
2. Increase the budget
- Ms Benken suggested shorten the whole space as it is such a large area
- Mr Powell feels it need more activation and more connection points and to reduce some of the items.
- Mr Mahaffy suggested to aim for the budget by making a list and cutting some items and also reduce the area.
- Mr McCann asked to look into the area to see what was there historically

Cr Harkins suggested that the concept plan goes back to Council to discuss increasing the budget from cash-in-lieu and take to briefing in May 2022

8 GENERAL BUSINESS

9 MEETING CLOSURE

1. Meeting closed at 6.26pm