

Attachment 3 – Engagement Survey Feedback and Submissions

1. Response to Survey Feedback on the Draft Plan

FEEDBACK	RESPONSE
Oval	
Remove turf practice wickets	Supported. The turf practice wickets will be removed from the field of play.
Retain turf centre wicket	Supported. The turf centre wicket in the middle of the field of play is to be retained.
Resurface the ground and replace the drainage	Supported
Add a rubberized/synthetic two or three-lane running track to the perimeter path	Not supported. The concept is a good one and is provided at Skinner Reserve, Braybrook. However, there is insufficient room to accommodate a running track around the oval without further narrowing the field of play. It is already much narrower at 110m wide (boundary line to boundary line) than other ovals in Melbourne that include running tracks around their perimeter.
Access arrangements for Yarraville West Primary School students	The agreement with Yarraville West Primary School for access to Yarraville Oval is renewed every year.
Ensure there are measures in place to stop stray balls going over the fence into the houses on Forrest St	A new behind-goal net has been installed on the boundary fence at the northern end to reduce the occurrence of balls leaving the field of play.
Cricket Practice Facility	
Cricket practice facility <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provide turf practice wickets - Must have both turf and synthetic pitches to cater for senior and junior players <p>Various suggestions were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Replace all synthetic pitches with turf - Add turf wickets next to the synthetic pitches 	<p>The constraints of the site limit the options for providing turf and synthetic practice facilities off the field of play.</p> <p>Synthetic practice pitches will be included to provide a facility that can be used by open age and junior members of Yarraville Cricket Club.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reduce to four the number of synthetic pitches and add a small turf table of approximately 4 pitches (6-7 wickets is preferred) - Need 8 turf practice wickets <p>Suggested inclusions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Retractable nets - Fully enclosed with full run ups 	<p>As part of the reconstruction of the oval consideration will be given to adding two turf pitches to the existing centre wicket table to accommodate some training on turf.</p> <p>The proposed location for the cricket practice facility will allow for bowlers run-ups from the field of play. However, this will preclude the cricket practice facility being fully enclosed.</p> <p>The type of netting within the facility will be confirmed as part of the design process. Retractable netting is supported to maximise the use of the space.</p>
<p>Environmental concerns about synthetic surface on cricket practice facility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - inconsistent with the goal for reducing plastic and increasing greenery 	<p>Acknowledged, however the use of synthetic grass is accepted as standard for cricket practice facilities to accommodate regular use with very little preparation and maintenance.</p>
Pavilion and Grandstand	
<p>The pavilion redevelopment must be compliant with AFL standards, including provision of more change room facilities that cater for gender equality and a safe workplace for volunteers</p> <p>Improve canteen access to reduce exposure to the weather</p> <p>A building that supports community and club functions and community engagement</p> <p>Must allow for holding and catering for large functions and events</p> <p>A commercial-grade kitchen suitable for preparing catered meals and game-day canteen requirements.</p> <p>Pavilion extension to be a two-storey building</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Change rooms for males and females on the ground level 	<p>The design brief for the redevelopment of the pavilion will accommodate the recommended inclusions for a Local Level Facility in the AFL Preferred Facility Guidelines.</p> <p>The floor plan for the pavilion redevelopment will be determined in consultation with the user groups during the design process to accommodate the necessary facility improvements.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Year-round storage spaces on the ground level for sports equipment and turf management equipment (rollers, mowers and covers) with direct at-grade access to the oval - Larger social space upstairs with viewing areas, social space and scorers/timekeepers facilities 	
Gym facilities on premise at the football/cricket club.	<p>Not supported</p> <p>Not a requirement for a Local Level Facility in the AFL Preferred Facility Guidelines.</p>
Don't remove any heritage buildings	With reference to the Heritage Assessment, the Mouth Organ Band Hall, the Grandstand and the Timekeepers Box will all be retained on site.
The 'Bill Pedley stand' sign at the top and front of the grandstand needs to be cleaned and restored.	The Heritage Assessment supports the restoration of the grandstand and this will include the sign.
The grandstand restoration should allow for more greenery and landscaping so that it looks more green overall. At the moment, it has too much empty space on the Williamstown road side, which allow people to climb up and do graffiti all over the wall. It should be replaced with more balcony type of plants to make it more viable.	Options for greening the interface between the reserve, Williamstown Rd and Anderson St will be explored as part of the development of a Tree Planting Plan for the reserve.
Scorers Box	
<p>Scorers box to be removed from the ground altogether</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Made of asbestos - Not heritage-listed - Moving it will be too costly 	Heritage assessment permits the relocation of the scorers box but requires it to be retained somewhere on site. It is not required to function as a scorers and timekeepers box.
A new timekeepers box be incorporated into the extended pavillion rather than relocated to reduce cost.	A new timekeepers and scorer's area will be included in the pavilion redevelopment
Timekeepers/Scorers box should stay on the same side of the oval as it is now and be restored	<p>Supported.</p> <p>The existing timekeepers/scorers box to be relocated to a position in the north-west corner of the reserve.</p>

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Paths and Open Space	
The mounded areas are impossible to walk around and use because of how steep they are, so flattening those areas will increase use by residents especially those with small children etc.	The draft master plan recommended reducing the height of the North Eastern mound for passive open space opportunity. The need to reshape the mound will be considered following the construction of the pedestrian path around the oval.
Don't remove the mounds to the north of the oval <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Costly and will not significantly improve the open space - Create an excellent amphitheatre to watch sport from 	
Retain the NE mound and maybe add 1-2 shade trees. You need elevation to watch comfortably - let people sit on the grass in summer like many great ovals. Especially in finals	
No need to reduce the height of the north eastern mound	
More seating should be distributed around the ground to allow spectators to view community sport and school activities from a seated position	The pedestrian path around the oval will improve access around the ground and, where retaining walls will be required, seats set on these can also be provided.
This is a sports oval - not a new pathway to access the primary school - there are sufficient other gates to access the school.	The existing paths that support the primary school children moving between the school and the oval every day will be formalized when the path around the oval is constructed.
Provide a lot more trees for shaded open space	A tree planting plan will be developed for the reserve in consultation with Yarraville West Primary School
When planting trees DO NOT put Bottlebrushes or Plane trees as these are HIGH IRRITANTS. Eucalypts also cause issues. Plant trees that are much less allergenic.	
Outdoor gym equipment	Outdoor gym equipment is provided in Cruickshank Park, a short walk from Yarraville Oval
Consider signage for the precinct that reflects the heritage sport building feel, similar to the signage on the grandstand side on Williamstown Rd. The council signage is soulless.	Will be considered upon the restoration of the grandstand to acknowledge the heritage of the reserve.

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Better lighting of the western and southern footpath around the oval at night time	The need for improved street lighting on Williamstown Rd and Anderson St will be investigated
CREATE / PLACE a huge barrier from Williamstown Road to the oval to protect our kids who play and eat there everyday.	The master plan provides a balance between opening the reserve for greater visibility and easier access, and screening users from traffic on Williamstown Rd
Adding proper pathways around the precinct will also increase the feeling of safety when using the area at night to walk to Anderson Street.	Supported
Do something with the kids playground. Need to be updated.	There is no playground at or proposed for Yarraville Oval
Skatepark	
Expand the skatepark	Whilst there is very little space to expand the skate park improvements will be explored.
Pavement needs releveling as there are alignment issues and hazards for skaters	
less "advanced" things like stairs and handrails and things like gentle mini-ramps and other kid-friendly things.	
Retain the fence between the sportsground and the skatepark to stop balls going into the skatepark	Supported
Dirt jumps for bikers. Improvements to existing skate park.	Dirt jumps cannot be accommodated in this location but improvements to the skate park will be explored.
Tennis Courts	
Very supportive of re-surfacing and improving the tennis courts	Supported
New nets on the tennis court	As part of the tennis court resurfacing and perimeter fence replacement, new nets will be installed
The development of the Tennis Courts should include a Hybrid option to also be Netball Courts	Not supported Facilitating access to existing indoor courts, courts under construction and courts planning to be built is the preferred model for WFNL netball provision in Maribyrnong.
Why is so much spent on one of multiple sports facilities in the area when there are no arts facilities in Yarraville? - The currently empty operations building next to Yarraville station would be an excellent start.	The need for arts facilities within the Municipality is considered separately to the provision of open space and active recreation facilities.

FEEDBACK		RESPONSE
Parking		
Parking improvements on weekends for sport	Add permit parking on Elizabeth St to reduce car parking impacts on game day	Parking for the large number of people that may visit the reserve on match days cannot be accommodated within the reserve however the need for improvements to the local street network can be monitored.
Don't reduce car parking. - There is a lot of congestion on Williamstown Rd on game days		
a new community hub where our current parking lot is based and moving the parking lot to the hills to the left as entering the Williamstown Rd drive-in entrance.		Part of the existing carpark may be impacted by the extension to the pavilion but every effort will be made to retain the existing number of parking spaces in any reconfiguring of the space.
Increase parking as it overflows on Williamstown Road causing congestion and safety concerns with lane merging due to parked cars. Overflow parking to be within development.		The retention of the limited amount of open space has been prioritized over the provision of any more carparking within the reserve.
Safety and Security		
The entire ground needs a fence to remove vandalism		The master plan attempts to open the reserve to encourage more people to visit and activate the space and by doing so discourage unwanted behaviour.
discouraging misuse of the oval and facilities at night by drug users. For example no public toilets, no accessible shelter areas overnight, and bright lights.		Public toilets will be included in the pavilion redevelopment to meet the needs of reserve users at times when the pavilion is not open.

2. Submissions

Maribyrnong Truck Action Group

- *Incorporate green walls into the re-fencing of the tennis courts, the restoration of the grandstand and the extension of the pavilion.*
- *Trees and other vegetation utilised within the reserve be specifically selected and positioned to maximise the potential for natural air filtration and capture of air pollution.*
- *Incorporate a clean air planting demonstration site.*

Yarraville West Primary School

Issues that impact on the school

- Removal of the old toilet block which forms part of the school's boundary fence
- Path connections from the school to the oval
- Proposed screen planting

Run Club

Proposing a 3-lane track around the main playing field

Yarraville Seddon Eagles Football Club

Ground resurfacing is a priority

Pavilion extension

- must accommodate the growth in women and girls football
- should cater for large functions
- should be two stories
- commence in parallel with the resurfacing of the oval

Opposed to using funds to alter the mounds and relocate the scorer's box