Agenda Paper

for the

Special Meeting of Council

To be held at the Brighton Town Hall, Civic Centre Precinct,
Wilson Street Brighton

on

Wednesday, 19 September, 2018
at 6.30pm

Cr: Cr Laurence Evans (Mayor)

Councillors: Cr Alex del Porto
Cr James Long BM JP
Cr Michael Heffernan
Cr Clarke Martin
Cr Sonia Castelli
Cr Rob Grinter
Members of the Gallery

Your attention is drawn to Section 92 of Council’s Governance Local Law No 1.

Section 92 The Chair’s Duties and Discretions

In addition to other duties and discretions provided in this Local Law, the Chair –

(a) must not accept any motion, question or statement which is derogatory, or defamatory of any Councillor, member of Council staff, or member of the community.

(b) may demand retraction of any inappropriate statement or unsubstantiated allegation;

(c) must ensure silence is preserved in the public gallery during any meeting

(d) must call to order any member of the public who approaches the Council or Committee table during the meeting, unless invited by the Chair to do so; and

(e) must call to order any person who is disruptive or unruly during any meeting.

An Authorised Officer must, if directed to do so by the Chairman, remove from a meeting any Councillor or other person who has committed such an offence.

Your cooperation is appreciated

Chairperson of Council
To: Mayor and Councillors

In accordance with Section 84 of the Local Government Act 1989, a Special Meeting of Bayside City Council will be held at the Brighton Town Hall, Civic Centre Precinct, Wilson Street Brighton, on Wednesday, 19 September 2018 at 6.30pm for the purpose of transacting the following business:

Order of Business

1. Apologies
2. Disclosure of any Conflict of Interest of any Councillor
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1. Apologies

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3.1 ELSTERNWICK PARK REACTIVATION OF OVALS 3 AND 4 - CONSULTATION RESULTS

Environment, Recreation & Infrastructure - Sustainability & Transport
File No: PSF/18/106 – Doc No: DOC/18/195424

Executive summary

Purpose and background
The purpose of this report is to present the results from the community consultation activities undertaken to test a proposal to use Ovals 3 and 4 at Elsternwick Park South for winter sports and recommend a course of action concerning this proposal.

At the Ordinary Meeting on 24 April 2018, it was resolved:

That Council receives a report at its June 2018 Ordinary Meeting of Council on the implications and costs of activating Elsternwick Park Ovals 3 and 4 for competition based sport, and undertakes consultation with the immediate surrounding neighbours.

A report was presented at the 19 June Ordinary Meeting of Council to provide information on this proposal and the proposed community engagement plan with the immediate surrounding neighbours and the broader community that would inform a future decision of this proposal. On 19 June 2018, it was resolved:

That Council notes the assessment of infrastructure requirements needed if Elsternwick Park Ovals 3 and 4 are utilised for winter competition sports and receives a report at the 21 August 2018 Ordinary Meeting detailing the outcomes of community consultation on the proposed sporting infrastructure improvements at Elsternwick Park Ovals 3 and 4.

A common theme within the feedback received from the community during the early stage of the consultation process was that the timeframe allocated for the consultation was insufficient to complete a meaningful engagement process to inform a decision on this matter at the 21 August 2018 Council meeting. The consultation period was extended and at the Ordinary Meeting on 21 August 2018, it was resolved:

That Council receives a report at the 19 September 2018 Special Meeting detailing the outcomes of community consultation on the potential sporting infrastructure changes at Elsternwick Park Ovals 3 and 4.

Council received two petitions at the 21 August 2018 Council meeting. One opposing and one supporting the increase in sporting use of Ovals 3 and 4.

The opposing petition from residents requests Council to retain Elsternwick Park South Ovals 3 and 4 in their current use status and abandon all plans to upgrade the ovals, increase sport during winter, install oval fencing, sports lighting and change pavilions and retain all current off leach arrangements. (Total petitioners – 3,879, 1,160 Bayside residents, and 2,719 from outside the municipality). The petition reads:

“We the undersigned, hereby petition Bayside City Council to retain Elsternwick Park South Ovals 3 and 4 in its current use status and abandon all plans to upgrade the ovals, increase sport during winter, install oval fencing, sports lighting and change pavilions and retain all current off leach arrangements.”
The supporting petition on behalf of VAFA requests Council to reactivate Ovals 3 and 4 at Elsternwick Park South. (Total petitioners – 188, - 20 Bayside residents and 168 from outside the municipality). The petition reads:

“We the undersigned, respectfully petition Bayside City Council in the reactivation of Ovals 3 and 4 on Elsternwick Park South for organised and structured sport to accommodate the significant increase in junior and female participation in the Bayside region.

To balance the needs and amenity demands of all residents (including dog walkers), and to address the looming sporting field crisis we advocate for the following:
- No fences or spoon drains around the sporting field perimeters
- Erection of fencing around the Elsternwick Park South precinct

Both petitions were received and referred to the Special Meeting of Council to be held on 19 September 2018 to consider Elsternwick Park South Ovals 3 and 4.

In response to the feedback received during the consultation process (Attachment 1) and as outlined in the next section of the report, it is recommended that Oval 3 be retained in its current form and use, and Oval 4 be reconstructed with sportsground lighting, improved drainage, irrigation, synthetic cricket wicket and granitic sand perimeter path with no oval fence, a basic pavilion to support sporting use (as shown in Attachment 2) and an investigation of opportunities for improved facilities for non-sporting users including dog walkers and dogs.

Key issues
Consultation with the community was undertaken using the following methods:
- Face to face engagement at information sessions held in Elsternwick Park; and
- Online via Council’s Have Your Say webpage.

Details on the methodology of the consultation are presented later in this paper under Considerations and Implications > Customer Service and Community Engagement.

Stakeholder groups that participated in the consultation process included the following groupings:
- Supporters of local winter sport that responded positively to the proposal;
- Residents from Brighton, Elwood, Elsternwick and suburbs beyond who valued the openness of Elsternwick Park South for off leash dog exercise and the social interactions that result from this activity, who were largely opposed to the proposal; and
- Local residents adjacent to the park who were largely opposed to the proposal.

The feedback received from the community where responders did not support the proposal is summarised in the following themes:
- Oval boundary fences should not be installed;
- Sportsground lighting should not be installed;
- A sports pavilion should not be constructed;
- Additional activity in the park is not desirable;
- Parking and traffic congestion would be created;
- Suspicion of inducement from professional sporting bodies is behind the proposal; and
- The consultation approach was inadequate.
The results from the online consultation process revealed a mixed response and that 54% of the 1,008 unique respondents supported Council’s proposal to improve Ovals 3 and 4 for formal winter use. 159 submissions were filtered from the feedback as they were identified as being duplicate submissions. The community drop in sessions provided 126 responses of which 93.8% opposed the proposal and 403 letters/emails were received.

**Oval Boundary Fences**

Boundary fences around the ovals are used to define the playing area and to separate players and spectators when sport is played.

Responses indicated that fences would result in less area within Elsternwick Park South for off-leash dog walking, with the remaining area being closer to traffic on New and Head Streets when the ovals are being used for sport. Feedback received on this theme also indicated that the installation of fences would also reduce the length of uninterrupted running space for off-leash dogs across the parkland, which is a highly valued characteristic of the park by some users.

Responses from sporting stakeholders support oval fences being installed.

The feedback regarding the impact of boundary fences has merit. As the absence of boundary fences will not prevent Elsternwick Park South from being used for winter sport, it is recommended that this element be removed from the proposal and that a granitic sand walking track be installed to define the perimeter of Oval 4.

**Sportsground Lighting**

The use of sportsground lighting would provide much needed training capacity by illuminating playing surfaces on weeknights for training purposes. Training is an area where the demand currently exceeds supply of sportsgrounds.

Responses revealed concerns that sportsground lighting would result in glare and light spill into private property. Feedback on this theme also indicated that the installation of lighting masts around the ovals would spoil the natural, undeveloped appearance of the park.

Weeknight training for sporting teams would also bring increased people and cars to the area.

Responses from sporting stakeholders support oval lighting.

Sportsground lighting is crucial to the ovals providing much needed weeknight training space and would not be required after 9pm. As contemporary design standards and technology ensure glare and spill into private property and other sensitive areas of the park is avoided, it is recommended that this element of the proposal be retained, but only for the larger Oval 4 to reduce the impact to residents directly abutting Oval 3. Four light poles would be required.

**Pavilion Building**

A pavilion proposed between Ovals 3 and 4 is necessary if winter competition sport is to be played at the site. Responders not supporting in the sporting function of the park viewed a pavilion as an unnecessary structure that would detrimentally impact the natural, undeveloped feel of this area of open space.

A basic pavilion is supported by sporting stakeholders and is an important element to support sporting use of the ovals by providing female-friendly change rooms, umpire facilities, a first aid room, toilet, storage and a small kiosk with an undercover area for spectators. It is not proposed that this pavilion be allocated as a primary venue for a sports club and accordingly would not require social space or bar facilities.
It is recommended that this element of the proposal be retained however designed to include only two change rooms (instead of the originally proposed four change rooms) to support matches being played only on Oval 4.

**Additional Activity in the Park**

Use of Ovals 3 and 4 for winter based sport and training would result in a higher level of activity in Elsternwick Park South.

Responses indicated that more activity could have an impact on passive recreation in the park, create congestion and lead to conflict between a higher concentrations of users, especially for dog owners.

Elsternwick Park South is currently deserted after dark on weeknights, but popular as an off-leash dog walking location on weekends. As the timing of fixtures at the ovals can be coordinated to support both uses on the weekends, this aspect of the feedback received can be addressed by ongoing communications and raising awareness with community stakeholders. Results from a park utilisation survey is shown as Attachment 3.

The use of the park for winter based sports would increase sporting activity in the area and restrict use of the oval by other groups. However, as the park is of sufficient size to accommodate all proposed uses, there is capacity for increased utilisation. To offset the impacts of non-sporting users being displaced from Oval 4, it is proposed that an investigation be undertaken into improving facilities for those non-sporting users including dog walkers and dogs.

It is not proposed to allocate use of Oval 4 to any specific Club providing an opportunity to allocate training for soccer two or three nights per week and Australian Rules football two or three nights per week. Match day use will depend on the fixtures of either sport.

**Parking and Traffic Congestion**

Sports users and parking and traffic congestion is expected increase in line with increased utilisation. This impact would need to be addressed as part of any change of use as this would put exceed the supply of the existing parking.

Responses revealed a view that the potential for additional parking spaces identified along New Street through a change to angled parking would not be sufficient and local residential streets would be impacted by a higher demand for parking from sports use during winter. Some respondents commented that a detailed traffic analysis of the proposal was necessary before Council was in a position to propose these improvements. Such traffic analysis would be completed as part of the planning and design process, however an initial assessment shows the numbers of community sporting club players, team officials and spectators that would use ovals 3 and 4 during the winter on weeknights and weekends is expected to be manageable so as not to significantly worsen parking and traffic conditions. In addition to the parking adjacent to the park, on-street parking is available in residential streets surrounding Elsternwick Park for use by the community wishing to access the Park for sporting or passive use. Furthermore, Council encourages the use of public transport, walking and cycling as convenient alternatives to private car transport to the park. Increasing sporting use on only one oval would lessen the traffic and parking impacts.

**Noise**

Increased noise from winter sporting use of Elsternwick Park South due to whistle and siren use was identified in some responses as a detrimental impact to the peace and serenity currently enjoyed in the Park on weekends. This would occur on Saturday and Sunday during matches with some whistle use during training, up to 9pm on some weeknights.
Suspicion of Inducement from Professional Sporting Bodies

Some comments were received that Council’s proposal was a result of financial inducement of Council from professional sporting bodies, such as the AFL. This is not the case.

Inadequate Consultation Approach

A theme that emerged in the responses was that the approach and deployment of the community engagement process was flawed.

Responses revealed that the duration allocated for the consultation period was too short and set during the school holidays, which in turn generated criticism and suspicion that the process was not a genuine opportunity for community input and that Council had already made a decision to proceed with the works.

Furthermore, some respondents criticised the consultation approach of testing a ‘formed proposal’ with the community and expected that stakeholders be given an opportunity over a longer period of time with a more elaborate engagement activities to contribute to the development of options for Elsternwick Park South, such as a masterplan process.

An explanation of various community engagement approaches with respective purposes and tools is presented later under Considerations and Implications > Customer Service and Community Engagement.

Some responders expressed criticism that Council was wasting the community’s time with engagement believing that Council had already made a decision on the matter. A brochure on Elsternwick Park was distributed to properties in Brighton, Elwood and Elsternwick to promote the consultation on the proposed improvements for ovals 3 and 4. The phrasing in the brochure omitted crucial words in a section inviting community members to participate in the consultation process, suggesting that Council had already made a decision to reactivate Ovals 3 and 4.

Notification to the community involved a number of methods. Sporting clubs with which Council has frequent contact were sent an email to advise of the consultation process. Nearby residents were notified via letter box drop, park signs were installed to inform park users and advertisements were placed in the Leader newspaper, Council’s Facebook page and on Council’s website. The Bayside Dog Alliance was not directly contacted and Council does not ‘post’ to other organisation’s or the group’s Facebook pages.

Some respondents criticised the wording of email correspondence sent to sporting clubs. The wording should have encouraged sporting clubs to participate in the consultation process rather than support the proposal being discussed.

It is clear that the consultation process was imperfect however, following the time extension, additional drop in sessions and expansion of the on-line forums, it is considered that all parties have had the opportunity to express their views on the proposal.

Increasing demand to winter sporting season sportsgrounds

Women’s and junior participation in winter sports is growing rapidly in the City of Bayside. Winter sporting clubs in Bayside have reported an increase of 66 percent in female participation over the last 12 months, far exceeding the growth in male participation. The growth in women’s sport is primarily being driven by Australian Rules football with 2017 participation up 166 per cent on the previous year. Women’s soccer has grown on average 10 per cent annually since 2009.
The recent 2018 winter allocation process for sportsgrounds identified a further increase in demand with the 22 winter clubs reporting 7,891 participants forming 428 teams, using 42 winter based sportsgrounds.

**Conclusion**

A needs assessment determined that additional sportsgrounds are required to meet growing community participation in winter sports and the consultation process undertaken has revealed there is substantial support, particularly from sporting stakeholders, for Ovals 3 and 4 to be upgraded to meet this demand. However, the feedback from non-sporting stakeholders and nearby residents has shown that this proposal will impact on their use of the park and residential amenity.

An understanding of these impacts is useful to guide a decision on which elements to include within the proposal to improve the ovals in Elsternwick Park South to be suitable for winter sports use, while having minimal impacts to other users or stakeholders.

It is recommended to develop an option as shown in Attachment 2 that includes:

- Oval 4 reconstructed with sportsground lighting, improved drainage, irrigation, synthetic cricket wicket and granitic sand perimeter path, while leaving Oval 3 unchanged;
- No fences to be erected on either oval;
- A basic pavilion to support sporting use of the larger Oval 4; and
- Investigation of opportunities for improved facilities for non-sporting users including dog walkers and dogs.

**Recommendation**

That Council:

1. Endorses the use of Elsternwick Park (South) Oval 4 for the purposes of winter sport including sportsground reconstruction incorporating improved drainage, irrigation, synthetic cricket wicket and granitic sand oval perimeter path;
2. Installs sportsground lighting on Elsternwick Park (South) Oval 4 to meet Australian Standards for junior and senior Australian Rules football training;
3. Constructs a basic, female friendly sportsground pavilion to support the use of Elsternwick Park (South) Oval 4;
4. Refers costs associated with works at Elsternwick Park (South) Oval 4 for consideration as part of the 2019/20 Budget process;
5. Resolves not to install any oval perimeter fencing or concrete spoon drain on either Elsternwick Park (South) Oval 3 or Oval 4;
6. Leaves Elsternwick Park (South) Oval 3 unchanged;
7. Investigates opportunities for improved facilities for non-sporting users in Elsternwick Park (South) including dog walkers and dogs; and
8. Informs the lead petitioners of two relevant petitions received at the 21 August 2018 Council meeting of the outcome of this report.

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<th>Participation Trends</th>
<th>2016</th>
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<td>Women and Girls AFL</td>
<td>295</td>
<td>785</td>
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<td>Women and Girls Soccer</td>
<td>995</td>
<td>1244</td>
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Support Attachments

1. Attachment 1 - Community Engagement Forums Feedback ▼
2. Attachment 2 - Elsternwick Park South Oval 4 Improvements - Site Plan (separately enclosed)
3. Attachment 3 - Elsternwick Park Observation Report ▼

Considerations and implications of recommendation

Liveable community

Social

Sport provides opportunities for the community to build social networks and community connections and encourages lifelong engagement in sport and recreational opportunities. Open spaces also provide for dog walking, passive recreation and relaxation.

The perception of some community members expressed during the consultation process that Council had already made a decision on this matter and that responses from the community were a waste of time generated significant emotion, anger and suspicion in some community members. Responses by such stakeholders were at times abusive and intimidating to Council staff members attending the information sessions and during phone calls and email exchanges.

Natural Environment

There are no natural environment implications associated with the recommendations included in this report.

Built Environment

The installation of sportsground lighting on Oval 4 as recommended in this report must meet relevant Australian Standards including restrictions on glare into surrounding areas and properties.

Customer Service and Community Engagement

There is a range of community engagement approaches that are appropriate for achieving different purposes. Different approaches vary in the degree of control that stakeholders have over the process and final decision (as depicted in Figure 1 below).

The resolution on the 31 August 2018 presented on page 1 of this paper required officers to test a formed proposal with community stakeholders so that the feedback could inform a decision on the matter by Council. In terms of the spectrum of engagement illustrated below in Figure 1, this approach is described as Consult. The lengthier and more elaborate approaches of Involve, Collaborate and Empower were not appropriate for the purpose of this engagement.

The consultation methodology deployed allowed for feedback to be provided in multiple formats dependent on the participant’s preference. Each different engagement tool used with this project has captured a different style of response and together provide Council with a strong illustration of the various interests, positions and concerns to inform their decision. No single method should be utilised as a standalone methodology or is considered to have higher weighting than another. It is typical to have different responses and outcomes across the various methodologies, as different participants and groups utilise one process more than another.
The consultation activities were delivered in two phases, with Phase 1 being the original approach to allow for the matter to be reported back to Council at the August Ordinary Meeting and Phase 2 involving an extension of the consultation period until 17 August 2018 to allow for a report to the 19 September 2018 Special Meeting.

For Phase 1, a Have Your Say webpage was established on June 25 to allow the community to ‘follow’ Elsternwick Park once consultation formally opened on June 29 with the initial closing date set for 20 July 2018. This online consultation included a two question survey:

- Question 1: Do you support the activation of Ovals 3 & 4 in Elsternwick Park South? [Response options: Yes, No, Unsure]; and
- Question 2: Tell us why you support or don't support the project? [Response: text field].

Figure 1. The Engagement Approach Required by Council’s Resolution (in the context of the IAP2 Community Engagement Spectrum)

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<th>Approach</th>
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<tr>
<td>Purpose</td>
<td>Providing information so stakeholders have an understanding about a decision</td>
<td>Obtaining feedback from stakeholders on options, a proposal or a decision</td>
<td>Working directly with all stakeholders throughout a process so all concerns and aspirations are understood and considered in options/decision</td>
<td>Partnering with all stakeholders in each aspect of the decision including develop options and selection of preferred solution</td>
<td>Placing the final decision making in the hands of the public</td>
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<td>Indicative Timing</td>
<td>Short (i.e. one to two weeks)</td>
<td>Short-Medium (i.e. several weeks)</td>
<td>Medium (i.e. several months)</td>
<td>Med to Long (i.e. 6 to 12 months)</td>
<td>Long (i.e. 12+ months)</td>
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<td>Tools</td>
<td>Letters, Emails, Fact Sheets, Signs, Websites</td>
<td>Interviews, Polls, Surveys, Focus groups</td>
<td>Workshops, Deliberative panels</td>
<td>Citizen advisory boards, Consensus building, Participatory budgeting</td>
<td>Citizen juries, Ballots</td>
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Face to face community information sessions were provided on the following dates:
- Sunday 8 July 2018 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM;
- Tuesday 10 July 2018 7:00 AM – 9:00 AM; and
- Thursday 19 July 2018 3:30 PM – 6:00 PM

The information sessions were aimed at raising awareness and interest from users of the park, sharing information on the growth in community participation in winter sports in Bayside and providing a more personal forum for gathering feedback through unstructured one to one interview conversations.

The information sessions were promoted through:
- A brochure mail drop to 3000 properties adjacent to the Park;
- Staff attendance at a community celebration in Elsternwick Park North on 1 July;
- Facebook posts; and
- Signage on site.
Community members/groups were also encouraged to contact Council directly through phone, email questions or written submissions.

Phase 2 commenced following initial feedback from local residents presented earlier in this paper and extended the consultation period until 17 August, 2018. This extension provided more time to further develop the online consultation process, with four discussion forums included with the original polling questions. These themed discussions allowed participants to state their views, reply to other’s comments, up vote or down vote, and ask questions of each other and Council. The themed forums were:

- Forum 1: The proposed changes will reduce passive recreation and dog off leash access to the ovals while sport is being played.
- Forum 2: The proposed formalisation of the ovals will require the introduction of fencing, lighting, improved playing surfaces and a pavilion.
- Forum 3: The proposal to increase winter sports may see increased traffic and parking at key times.
- Forum 4: The proposal may see a different approach in how Oval 3 and Oval 4 are utilised and improved, to assist in reducing impact on existing park users. This could include no fencing and less hours of sports allocation on Oval 3.

A further two information sessions in the Park were held on the following dates:

- Wednesday 1 August 2018 3:30 PM – 5:30 PM.
- Saturday 4 August 2018 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM.

Phase 2 of the consultation was promoted through:

- A second brochure mail drop to 3000 properties adjacent to the Park;
- Facebook posts;
- Updated signage on site; and
- Email update to project ‘followers’.

Issues during consultation and criticisms from stakeholders

A number of issues were expressed by stakeholders during this consultation process. Some properties near the park did not receive the letterbox drops in a timely way due to delays by the distribution contractor. The extended consultation period responded to and alleviated this issue.

It is important to note that a segment of the community has attempted to distract and influence this consultation process by using threatening and intimidating behaviour towards Council staff. The drop-in sessions held at the park were disrupted by some participants deliberately trying to prevent staff from informing people and taking feedback. It was observed that this behaviour also discouraged some participants from contributing their views. Similar abusive and disruptive behaviour has been observed in on-line feedback.

Changes were made to the drop-in sessions to ensure Council staff were safe and all participants could contribute.

Council staff were accused of bias in that direct emails were sent to known stakeholder groups before nearby residents were notified. This was a timing issue and staff are committed to providing advice to known groups to seek feedback. The time extension allowed sufficient time for participation regardless of when notification was received.

Email correspondence sent to sporting clubs should have encouraged participation in the consultation process, however instead support for the proposal being tested was sought from sporting clubs.
While a number of improvement opportunities have been identified in the deployment of the consultation activities, it is considered that all parties have had the opportunity to express their views on the proposal.

**Human Rights**

The implications of this report have been assessed and are not considered likely to breach or infringe upon, the human rights contained in the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006.

**Legal**

There are no legal implications associated with the recommendations included in this report.

**Finance**

Detailed cost plans will be developed as part of the planning of Oval 4, the costs listed below are based on equivalent projects delivered in the 2017/18 financial year:

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<th>Pavilion</th>
<th>$1,800,000</th>
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<td>Full oval reconstruction</td>
<td>$900,000</td>
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<td>Sportground Lighting</td>
<td>$130,000</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$2,830,000</strong></td>
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An allocation for sportground lighting for Elsternwick Park South has been provided in the 2018/19 capital works budget. However, no other costs ($2,700,000) are currently included in Council’s Long Term Financial Plan.

It is recommended that costs associated with works at Elsternwick Park (South) Oval 4 be referred for consideration as part of the 2019/20 Budget process.

**Links to Council policy and strategy**

Improvement to sport and recreation facilities is supported by a number of key strategy and policy documents including the Council Plan 2017-2021, Bayside 2020 Community Plan and Wellbeing for All Ages and Abilities Strategy 2017-2021.

The Bayside Open Space Strategy 2012 recognises that projected population growth will have a significant impact on the demand for both active and passive open space over the next 20 years.

The development of additional fit for purpose sportsgrounds is in line with a number of Key Principles included in the Bayside ‘Active by the Bay’ Recreation Strategy (2013-2022) including:

1. The provision of recreational opportunities for all;
2. Providing great places for people to recreate in, and to be socially connected; and
3. Responding to identified recreational needs of the community.
## Options considered

### Option 1 - Recommended

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<th>Summary</th>
<th>Reconstruct the larger Oval 4 with improved drainage, irrigation, sportsground lighting and granite sand oval perimeter path. No boundary fences will be installed. A small pavilion with two female friendly changerooms, toilets, first aid room and kiosk to service Oval 4. No changes to Oval 3.</th>
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<td>Benefits</td>
<td>Oval 4 is available for weeknight training and weekend matches to meet the growing demand for additional sportsgrounds for winter use. As no changes are proposed to Oval 3, substantial space is retained for off leash dog walking away from adjacent roads.</td>
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<td>Issues</td>
<td>Without boundary fences, Oval 4 will not be suitable for finals matches during sports. Oval 4 will not be available for dog off-leash walking.</td>
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### Option 2 – Not Recommended

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<th>Undertake all proposed improvements to reactivate ovals 3 and 4 for winter sports use, including reconstruction of both ovals, boundary fencing and sportsground lighting and a pavilion.</th>
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<td>Benefits</td>
<td>Both ovals are activated and available for weeknight training and weekend matches to meet the growing demand for additional sportsgrounds for winter use.</td>
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<td>Issues</td>
<td>The fencing will reduce the area of uninterrupted running length in the park for dog off leash use and remaining dog off leash area during sports times will be closer to roads. The lighting of the ovals on weeknights are a concern to adjacent residents, as the park is currently dark after sunset.</td>
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### Option 3 – Not Recommended

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<td>Benefits</td>
<td>No changes to the ovals will address the concerns of stakeholders that were identified as detrimentally impacted by the proposed changes to Ovals 3 and 4.</td>
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<td>Issues</td>
<td>By not improving ovals 3 and 4, they will not be suitable to address the growing demand for winter sporting use.</td>
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Community Consultation

The consultation process provided the opportunity for feedback to be provided at community drop in sessions, via the Have You Say on-line platform and via direct contact with Council.

Overall Council received 1537 items of feedback across 403 letters/emails, 1008 on-line and 126 drop-in.

The letters/emails were predominantly from people seeking to retain the status quo while on-line and drop-in comments were mixed between maintaining the status quo and agreeing with increasing sporting use.

The online feedback is available on Council’s Have Your Say webpage. The comments received at the drop in sessions are provided in the table below and the quick poll comments following this table.

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<th>Feedback points received</th>
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<td>1 • Feels consultation period was ‘disrespectful’ as it didn’t give residents enough time to properly respond. Live in New Street (almost opposite the park) and only found out about the consultation via word of mouth (their neighbour told them).  • Did not receive Council’s flyer regarding all Council’s plans at Elsternwick Park. • Increased amount of traffic that could come with additional sport.</td>
<td>• Consultation period was extended  • The brochure distribution area was limited to suburbs directly surrounding Elsternwick Park • Noted</td>
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<td>2 • Has concerns regarding the noise on her newborn baby.</td>
<td>Noted</td>
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<td>3 • Be proud of what it is now  • Don’t do anything  • Amazing community asset  • Used constantly, doesn’t need development  • Open Space is so important  • Passive recreation - general health</td>
<td>• Recommended option addresses these issues.</td>
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<td>4 • Local involvement  • It is inclusive for all groups now and that will be lost  • A dog trainer also comes, personal trainers too that won’t be able to use it  • It is too crowded with dogs now and increase in density of dogs with decreased space  • This information should be in Dendy Park too because same users use both parks</td>
<td>• Recommended option addresses these issues.  • Noted</td>
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<td>5 • Restricting the amount of land that people can use  • It’s not locals that will use the space for sports  • There is great utilisation now with the way it is  • Very concerned about the arsenic contamination of soil  • The lighting will affect residents  • Parking congestion will increase  • What traffic analysis has been done to allow angle parking without making it worse?</td>
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| 6    | - There is no underutilisation of space  
      - These changes don't make this park higher utilised  
      - Increased density development pressure places higher need for Elsternwick Park to stay the same  
      - More people value this area than people play sports  
      - Elderly people that use the park will be displaced from using the park, impacting the health of these people.  
      - Not the whole people story. Wildlife will be effected by floodlights  
|      | - The term ‘underutilisation’ refers to the potential for winter sports use at Elsternwick Park  
      - Recommended option addresses these issues.  
      - Lighting will be designed to address risk of impact to wildlife.  |
| 7    | - Concern that ovals will be used less when fenced  
      - Elsternwick Park without fences gets more activity  
      - Proposal excludes people from use  
|      | Recommended option addresses these issues.  |
| 8    | - Birdwatchers. Balls go into the pond and spoil habitat  
      - Adjacent neighbours right behind the goal posts  
      - Lights on the oval for training  
      - Current use is great - intensive in front of residential property  
      - Where else do you see so many dogs socialising so well?  
      - Reduction of dog space will reduce area that benefits mental health < passive space  
      - This is a once in a lifetime decision - once it's gone its gone forever > expectation grows  
|      | Recommended option addresses these issues.  |
| 9    | - Have 2 Kids use park  
      - Don't just cater for football  
      - Not keen on football  
      - Interaction between people just because of dogs crossing paths fences will stop there  
|      | Recommended option addresses these issues.  |
| 10   | - Open space is needed more.  
      - Improved footy grounds will encourage further development  
      - Public benefit for just sport is out of balance  
      - The people that watch the games don't need to be separated by a fence. Cricket works, footy doesn’t. Keep the footy to the north  
|      | - Recommended option addresses these issues.  
      - Noted  |
| 11   | - Main concern is balance of interests  
      - Message to Melbourne that this is a dedicated sporting facility - other users are displaced - locals  
      - Unsatisfied with the consultation and warning of the opportunity to others  
|      | - Recommended option addresses these issues.  
      - Consultation period was extended  |
| 12   | - Wheelchairs, well used, recovering from cancer treatment.  
      - In addition to more and more buildings open space is more important  
      - There is nothing wrong with the amount of sport that is played there  
      - We have other parks that are done up. We have schools with ovals  
|      | Recommended option addresses these issues.  |
| 13   | - Compensate the use at 3 and 4 with off leash in the golf course  
      - Parking in to access other areas of the park is an issue  
      - Fencing of ovals is no good for visual amenity and dog off leash  
|      | - A decision was made on 28 March 2018 to create a passive open space at the old Golf Club site.  
      - Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports  |
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| 14   | Use the northern-eastern corner for a sportsground instead  
      - Don’t change the passive sporting area  
      - Things change - lighting stays on later, bars get brought in  
      - Desperately need a toilet - park - public?  
      - A decision was made on 28 March 2018 to create a passive open space at the old Golf Club site.  
      - Recommended option addresses these issues.  
| 15   | Building an oval is appropriate no kiosk, don’t want no light towers - polluting - takes away space, impacts to the lighting  
      - Some small shelters - but no other building  
      - Sportsground lighting is required for midweek training during winter when the park is not being used.  
      - Recommended option addresses these issues.  
| 16   | No changes, there is not enough open space  
      - Need to preserve what we have  
      - Noted  
| 17   | Impacts to off leash dog  
      - Parties at the Pavilion impact  
      - Illuminated ground is an issue  
      - It is proposed that the site remains a shared use area.  
      - No social space is proposed at the site.  
      - Sportsground lighting is required for midweek training during winter when the park is not being used.  
| 18   | Arranged petition on last proposal  
      - Detrimental to social environment  
      - Unique social space - not just about the design  
      - Don’t see the value in sporting venues when there are so many unused grounds  
      - Noted  
      - Elsternwick Park South can satisfy the needs of both social and sporting users.  
      - Recommended option addresses these issues.  
| 19   | Mental health benefits, particularly elderly  
      - Lives next door, taught their kids to ride here  
      - Not about dogs  
      - Community don’t all play footy  
      - Now more and more residents are medium height density, need more passive open space  
      - Flood worries  
      - Public and private schools - schools have parking - ovals could be used more - think creatively - these would be win win outcomes - schools would benefit from infrastructure upgrades  
      - It is proposed that the space remains shared use.  
      - Recommended option addresses these issues and will not worsen flood impacts.  
      - School sites are already utilised where possible.  
| 20   | 11 years ago moved here - was important to my mental health  
      - Only social life was in the park - now have social and work contacts  
      - Keeps everyone healthy and connected  
      - Parking is under major pressure in this area  
      - Don’t want to have to be displaced by the sporting intensification  
      - Low level walking lights are needed but not sportsground lighting  
      - Noted  
      - Recommended option addresses these issues.  
      - Sportsground lighting is required for midweek training during winter when the park is not being used.  
      - Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling.  
| 21   | 4 years after arriving and care about the future of the park  
      - Recommended option addresses these issues.  

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| 22   | Use a location in the golf course for intensive sporting |
|      | Parking is available up here |
|      | Nearby resident don't want an illuminated surface |
|      | Consolidate all the activities in one place |
|      | Noted |

| 23   | Don't want - is the urban edge group part of this consult - wellbeing of people their lives |
|      | Noted |
|      | No feedback has been received from an "Urban Edge Group" |

| 24   | Long term user of the park lives directly opposite |
|      | Permanent Public Park. Elsternwick Park is working perfectly |
|      | All previous uses were done quietly and without lighting. |
|      | Number 4 is the best and the improvements would not enhance their enjoyment or experience. Need closer to public toilets. |
|      | Previous pavilion was removed because the club said we can't survey |
|      | Noted |
|      | A public toilet is proposed at the site. |
|      | Improvements to Oval 4 would allow for the surface to withstand sporting use during winter. |
|      | Sportsground lighting is required for midweek training during winter when the park is not being used. |

| 25   | Use other parts of the Golf Course - more efficient location |
|      | This is the darkest park with less lighting |
|      | Uses it for his telescope |
|      | Has heard the sportsground is impacted by dog poo |
|      | Keep the green feel of the park |
|      | Will encourage homeless people |
|      | A decision was made on 28 March 2018 to create a passive open space at the old Golf Club site. |
|      | Sportsground lighting is required for midweek training during winter when the park is not being used and will be turned off by 8.30pm. |
|      | Noted |

| 26   | Primary school teacher Port Philip. This park is of regional significance and would not cater for large number of users if it was developed and fenced |
|      | Elsternwick Park South can satisfy the needs of both social and sporting users. |

| 27   | 40 year old resident. Tired of having to keep fighting for Elsternwick Park |
|      | Open space and continual views |
|      | Feel so boxed in with residence - need the space |
|      | Emotionally and mentally important |
|      | Multifaceted mixed used park with high levels of use |
|      | Jewel in the crown. Signage was not put up until it was questions. Received the letter drop. |
|      | Noted |
|      | Consultation period was extended |
|      | Recommended option addresses these issues. |

| 28   | Relentless drive to have to exercise is wrong |
|      | The park as it is so precious for people that don't play sports |
|      | Discrimination against people that value to health benefits |
|      | Passive surveillance - high density growth |
|      | There are sportsgrounds everywhere |
|      | Giving the sportsgrounds to the Old Melbournians is wrong |
|      | Wildlife impacts of lighting |
|      | Access to active sports is crucial to community wellbeing in Bayside. |
|      | Elsternwick Park South can satisfy the needs of both social and sporting users. |
|      | Old Melbournians are tenants at Oval 1 and do not form part of this proposal. |
|      | Lighting will be designed to address risk of impact to wildlife. |
|      | Recommended option addresses these issues. |

<p>| 29   | More and more spaces for off leash dogs are getting smaller |
|      | Elsternwick Park South can satisfy the needs of both social and sporting users. |</p>
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| 30   | - Spoke of Donald McDonald being lost and now has to drive where she could walk  
|      | - Spoke of the planning stuff where the tennis club serving alcohol which prevents Oak St being used for footy  
|      | - Good sportspersons vs 12,000 dog owners  
|      | - Recommended option addresses these issues.  
|      | - There is not enough sportgrounds to meet demand  
|      | - Recommended option addresses these issues.  
|      | - Council receives fees for usage of ovals - refer to Council budget.  
|      | - Elsternwick Park South can satisfy the needs of both social and sporting users.  
|      | - Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling.  
| 31   | - Sporting groups and dog walkers to work together  
|      | - Collaborate on a win win outcome  
|      | - Recommended option addresses these issues.  
|      | - Elsternwick Park South can satisfy the needs of both social and sporting users.  
| 32   | - Understand the need for increased infrastructure for high demand for participation  
|      | - Regional coordination between councils to increase utilisation of dormant spaces at certain times  
|      | - Such as training and games at alternate times  
|      | - How can you have angled parking on New Street without removing the bike lane?  
|      | - Concerned about the impact of lighting in the wetland area  
|      | - Low boundary fence will be an eyesore  
|      | - Noted  
|      | - Angled parking option has been based on available road width  
|      | - Lighting will be designed to address risk of impact to wildlife.  
|      | - Recommended option addresses these issues.  
| 33   | - Have registered online  
|      | - No problem about the sporting use but the fencing will ruin the open park vista  
|      | - Will bring more people and congestion  
|      | - Recommended option addresses these issues.  
|      | - Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling.  
| 34   | - How many more people are we drawing into Elsternwick Park with noise impacts to nearby residents is significant  
|      | - Car parking will be an issue 70% parked out with standard  
|      | - Do we have the facilities to cater for the increase so that adjacent neighbours won’t be affected?  
|      | - There are still people just finding out about this - not enough time  
|      | - Noted  
|      | - Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling.  
|      | - Elsternwick Park South can satisfy the needs of both social and sporting users.  
|      | - Recommended option addresses these issues.  
|      | - Consultation period was extended  
| 35   | - Sporting demand makes sense  
|      | - Parking is an issue  
|      | - Litter will be worse  
|      | - Preference not to have fence  
|      | - Had a history in sport  
|      | - Recommended option addresses these issues.  
|      | - Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports
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<td>No plans for a fenced dog area at this stage.</td>
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<td>Using suggestion of facilities for women's sports is just a political strategy. Only 2% of women want to play football</td>
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<td>Should envisage bigger picture, plan north of park at same time</td>
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<td>Consider the broad range of people that use the park</td>
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<td>Given new apartments being built in area, lack of open space, parking</td>
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<td>Will completely change nature of the park to more of a sports venue</td>
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<td>Frustrated with process, poorly done consultation process</td>
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<td>The consultation period was extended to provide greater opportunities for reserve users to provide feedback.</td>
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<td>Female participation continues to grow as does overall participation in winter sport. This reserve will cater for all winter sport users.</td>
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<td>Living on own and concerned about security with the attracting of sporting crowd</td>
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<td>All sports clubs with junior participants are required to adopt Child Safety Standards including drop off and pick up requirements, that parent must adhere to.</td>
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<td>Concerned for security of children involved in the sport being dropped at edge of park and having to walk through park on own to get to pavilion (location of pavilion)</td>
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<td>Pavilion not accessible to drop/collect children safely</td>
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<td>Use current golf club as pavilion and locate sports grounds on nth side of park</td>
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<td>As a senior, feels safe in park as it is, it's like a community common</td>
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<td>Consider the population demographic, 35yrs+ and who you are trying to cater for</td>
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<td>• Light towers are proposed to be between 25 – 30m in height.</td>
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<td>• Height of light towers</td>
<td>• Modern sportsground lighting is designed to have minimal impact on wildlife.</td>
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<td>• Is there an environmental impact statement? Effect on swans, nightlife?</td>
<td>• Elsternwick Park's prime function as classified in Council’s Open Space Strategy is a sportsground.</td>
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<td>• Unique sanctuary, fear of losing quality and nature of the park</td>
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<td>• Consider a tunnel under the road from nth to sth park</td>
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<td>• Additional apartments in area, need for open space areas</td>
<td>• Council’s communication provides details of the proposal. Information distributed by interested groups has detailed misleading information.</td>
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<td>• Use golf club facilities, change rooms instead of building a pavilion</td>
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<td>• Retain park but provide better facilities for disabled</td>
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<td>• Provides elderly people the opportunity for social congregation hence good for wellbeing</td>
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<td>• Currently has good accessibility from public transport for people to utilise the park</td>
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<td>• Annoyed about process to date - compare Dendy Park</td>
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<td>• Concerned for wildlife with night lights. Seemed a bit happier when advised lights would go off at 8pm</td>
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<td>• Aesthetics of pavilion in such a beautiful park</td>
<td>• Non proposal based feedback has been passed onto relevant departments in Council.</td>
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| 51   | No fencing - natural vegetation fencing would be ok
<p>|      | How many people responded to the survey? |
|      | Why didn't I get it? |
|      | The poll was available via the Have your Say page on Councils website. |
|      | 1008 unique submissions were received. |
| 52   | Not enough consultation |
|      | No contact from Council, so no opportunity to comment |
|      | The consultation period was extended to provide greater opportunities for reserve users to provide feedback. |
|      | Council report details community engagement process. |
| 53   | No information through a letter box drop |
|      | Once you lose the space, you will never get it back |
|      | Council report details community engagement process, including two letter drop drops of 3000 households. |
| 54   | Not enough communication |
|      | We need space for everyone |
|      | Why should football get priority |
|      | The changes are forever |
|      | There won't be anywhere to walk dogs |
|      | Council report details community engagement process. |
|      | Recommended option addresses these issues. |
| 55   | Increased population |
|      | Where are people going to park? |
|      | Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling. |
|      | Traffic management would be considered as part of planning process if the recommendation is endorsed. |
| 56   | Big picture – parking? |
|      | Ineffective communication |
|      | Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling. |
|      | Council report details community engagement process. |
| 57   | Needs to be open space |
|      | Complete a masterplan for north and south |
|      | No fencing and no lighting |
|      | Space is used by many people |
|      | Bad communications – no adequate notice |
|      | Recommended option addresses these issues. |
|      | Northern Master Plan was endorsed in 2017. |
|      | Sportsground lighting is required for midweek training during winter when the park is not being used. |
|      | Elsternwick Park South can satisfy the needs of both social and sporting users. |
|      | Council report details community engagement process. |
| 58   | Will be fabulous for kids to have somewhere to play sport |
|      | Recommended option addresses this feedback |
| 59   | No change is my preference |
|      | Don't include fencing |
|      | Recommended option addresses these issues. |
| 60   | Sign – didn't have enough time to provide feedback |
|      | Poor engagement |
|      | Council report details community engagement process. |</p>
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| 61   | • Poorly advertised  
      • Poor communication  
      • Engagement period was extended to ensure interested parties were able to provide feedback on the proposal.  
      • Better to put the oval in the golf course.  
      • Could include Netball and Basketball  
      • A decision was made on 28 March 2018 to create a passive open space at the old Golf Club site. |
| 62   | • Flood mitigation  
      • Noise pollution – early mornings and late at night  
      • Can be extremely loud  
      • If it is a base for triathlons they start very early  
      • Bike riders yell very loudly  
      • Traffic impact will be great because public transport is limited  
      • Parking issues  
      • Increased/reduce amenity of Bent and New Street – already impacted by events like triathlons so this will add to the issue.  
      • Look at using existing resources  
      • Partner with schools  
      • Psychological changes – it is currently a large open space which invites community to come and walk, play, just be here  
      • Changing the space to sports grounds will negatively impact on existing users  
      • I feel professional teams will move in and it will become more of an exclusive use area, not for the benefit of all  
      • Don’t need a formal oval which are fenced off  
      • Need to improve lighting for the general public along Bent Ave  
      • It is land for the general public  
      • Recommended option addresses these issues and will not worsen flood impacts.  
      • Elsternwick Park South can satisfy the needs of both social and sporting users.  
      • Sport noise is subject to EPA requirements, including start and finishing times.  
      • Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling.  
      • Recommended option addresses these issues.  
      • Council sports grounds are already operating above the recommended hours of use. Council has access arrangement in place with local schools.  
      • The proposal is for community sport only. Professional teams will not be using this site. |
| 63   | • My house will be directly impacted by oval lighting  
      • Pressure for change coming from where?  
      • Need to reduce flood risk, not enhance it  
      • Water will flow into New Street. Ovals are not a solution for flood damage  
      • Loss of amenity to public space – Crown Land  
      • Fencing restricts access  
      • My house will be directly impacted by oval lighting  
      • Modern sportsground lighting systems are designed to minimise spill into surrounding properties and are subject to Australian Standards.  
      • Recommended option addresses these issues and will not worsen flood impacts.  
      • Recommended option addresses these issues. |
| 64   | • Long term resident of Elwood and have used the park for years  
      • Conscious of dogs not having as much space to play  
      • Conscious of impacts of lighting  
      • Questions golf course being made into a public space.  
      • Aesthetic of park will be impacted  
      • Long term resident of Elwood and have used the park for years  
      • Recommended option addresses these issues.  
      • Modern lighting systems minimise impact on residents and wildlife.  
      • Council resolution on 28 March 2018 to create a passive open space at the Golf Club site and will create a wonderful retreat for surrounding residents and park users. |
| 65   | • Substantial restriction of public access to open space area.  
      • The land was given to the people  
      • Recommended option addresses these issues. |
- Parking will be an issue
- Elster Creek community reference group member
- Issues with 30m light pole – impact on residents

- Elsternwick Park is Crown Land, with Bayside City Council as the committee of management. Elsternwick Park is zoned PPRZ Public Park and Recreation Zones and both the proposal and passive use fall under this classification.
- Sportsground lighting is required for midweek training during winter when the park is not being used.
- Modern lighting systems minimise impact on residents.

66
- Playground needs fencing off
- Non-residents shouldn't have a say
- Desperately need sportsgrounds
- Huge health issues, obesity and diabetes
- Need sportsgrounds for young people
- Costing society billions in health costs
- GP
- Change direction of sportground to East/West
- Needs to be multi use facility

- Unless a playground faces a major road they are not typically fenced and active supervision by parents is encouraged.
- Health issues noted.
- Recommended option addresses these issues.

67
- Trees are vitally important especially in summer for kids and dogs.
- Significant area – dog park for locals and especially those in flats
- Use of festivals – what happens if it is fenced off?
- Want and need free open space
- Want to encourage all especially the inactive
- Needs to clearly delineate what is an training area and where dogs can be off leash
- Are we going to compromise incidental exercise
- People come, because it is a nice space to be in

- Tree removal is not proposed as part of this project.
- Recommended option addresses these issues.
- Events opportunities noted.
- Recommendation addresses delineation of dog off leash areas.
- It is proposed that the space continue to be used for both passive and structured sport.

68
- Park needs improved night lighting for safety.
- No fence please
- Could use this space for concerts
- Can better use facilities

- Noted
- Recommended option addresses these issues.
- Other feedback noted.

69
- Questioned sporting need for ovals in Bayside City Council, requesting allocation and fixture information

- Information available on Council's Have your Say page.

70
- Oval 3 and 4 should be part of Elsternwick Park North
- If sport present, there would be nowhere for residents with dogs to recreate during peak periods
- Pavilion will change and spoil the ‘look’ of the area
- Concerns regarding the size of the proposed pavilion, would be more suitable in North area of park

- A decision was made on 28 March 2018 to create a passive open space at the old Golf Club site.
- Any proposed pavilion will be designed to fit into the natural environment of the reserve.
- Flood mitigation would form part of planning if proposal is endorsed.

71
- Elsternwick Park North should be reserved for sport, South area too prone to flooding
- South park north corner/Bent Street could become natural woodland connected to north lake via underpass
- Flood prevention should be priority at the site

- A decision was made on 28 March 2018 to create a passive open space at the old Golf Club site.
- Recommended option addresses these issues and will not worsen flood impacts.
| 72  | Concerns regarding the lack of parking  
Organised sport will spoil the atmosphere of the park  
The on-leash status of the north park is not a valid replacement for the proposed sporting activity change of use in the south section  
Proposed development will impact on social connections made at the park in its current format, particularly in the elderly  
Concerns regarding environmental impact of floodlighting  
New sporting developments should be in the existing sporting precinct in the north  
Concerns about flooding at the site | Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling.  
Elsternwick Park South can satisfy the needs of both social and sporting users.  
It is not proposed to remove dog off leash access at the southern reserves  
Recommended option addresses these issues.  
Modern lighting systems minimise impact on residents and wildlife.  
A decision was made on 28 March 2018 to create a passive open space at the old Golf Club site. |
| 73  | Exploring opportunities at Elwood Park with City of Port Phillip should be prioritised instead | Neighbouring Councils already share resources where possible. |
| 74  | Not enough parking to facilitate sport and concerns over the safety of existing parking in Bent Avenue.  
Concerns regarding increased traffic brought by development  
Floodlighting will impact residents and wildlife  
Will impact on locals, lose community hub feel and impact social connections.  
Questioning that the current ovals are under-utilised, and that primary purpose is as a park, not for sport | Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling.  
Lighting will be designed to address risk of impact to wildlife.  
Sportsground lighting is required for midweek training during winter when the park is not being used.  
Recommended option addresses these issues.  
Oval usage data available via Council's Have your Say page. |
| 75  | Loss of beautiful community space and impact on social connections  
Increased traffic, parking congestion and noise  
Existing usage should be accommodated elsewhere and synthetic surfaces considered  
Will change the look of the park, which is a selling point for the area  
Changed use will be at peak times, heightening impact | Recommended option addresses these issues.  
Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling.  
Other sportsgrounds in Bayside are used beyond the recommended hours of use and alternative venues are required  
Social connections, both passive and structured will continue to be available at the reserve. |
| 76  | Coupled with local developments, increased traffic and parking concerns  
Proposed development spoils the ambience and beauty of the park.  
Sport is not a fair and economical use of space (small relative numbers of participants) | Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling. |
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<td>Except for very limited number of exceptions, dog parks are not generally fenced.</td>
<td>Unless immediately facing a road, playgrounds are not generally fenced.</td>
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<td>Under local law, dogs should be on leash within 20m of a playground.</td>
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<td>Elsternwick Park has been taken over by dogs, dog park should be considered to assist management of dog waste on sports ovals</td>
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<td>More exercise equipment should be considered in park</td>
<td>Comment regarding exercise equipment noted.</td>
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<td>Opposed to quick, ad-hoc nature of proposal</td>
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<td>For the proposal, particularly concerned about current use of dog users and waste</td>
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<td>Concern regarding large space dedicated to small participant group</td>
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<td>North consultation prioritised AFL stakeholders low</td>
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<td>• Proposal will impact on community health to a greater scale of benefit to increased sporting participants</td>
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- Concerns regarding crowd violence connected to sport
- Concerns regarding lighting impacting atmosphere of park
- Questions regarding decision makers relationships with the various stakeholder groups

- the urban forest in the Northern area of the reserve will specifically address non structured use of open space.
- Recommended option addresses these issues.
- Crowd violence at a local community sport event, is very low risk.
- Council are democratically elected by the community they represent and are available to discuss issues of their community.

91 | Council should consider instead the fencing of the New Street boundary and leave Elsternwick Park 4 as an open space

Recommended option addresses these issues.

92 | Very opposed—it’s a unique park providing recreation opportunities for a huge number of people. Many in the area live in flats so it’s a place of socialisation and the fencing lighting difficulty with parking, loss of visual amenity and loss of ability to utilise area of the park will have a detrimental impact on the park and community.
- It is Crown land.
- It feels like not enough bins/not enough lights.
- Nothing for ages and now you want to take away one of the only dog parks in the area.
- Ideally, more dog bins, places for bags, more refills, and more toilets.
- I come every day and I feel it can be improved. Already have a large golfing area and near not used heavily but the dog off leash area is well used by a lot of people regularly.

- Recommended option addresses these issues.
- A public toilet is available on all new sports pavilions delivered within Bayside.
- There are many shared dog off leash sportsgrounds in Bayside. A full list available via this [link](#). It is not proposed to change the dog off leash status of the reserve.
- Elsternwick Park is Crown Land, with Bayside City Council as the committee of management. Elsternwick Park is zoned PPRZ Public Park and Recreation Zones and both the proposal and passive use fall under this classification.

93 | Concern re the capacity of the Bent St / New St roundabout.
- Parking issue prime concern.
- Drainage and water management adding to the canal.

- Traffic management would be considered if the recommendation is endorsed. Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling.
- Flood mitigation would be considered as part of a planning process.

94 | Walk here every morning—open vista is important.
- Concern re: the fences, especially as live in an apartment and this is a highly populated area.
- Many activities – bats, lunar eclipse, etc.
- Don’t want flood lit man made thing.
- Fence changes the vista.
- Want dogs as far away as road as possible.
- Sport is likely to be played at popular times when dog owners want to walk dogs.
- Can Elwood Park be used more?
- Concern re: floodlights and the bats.

- Recommended option addresses these issues.
- Sportsground lighting is required for midweek training during winter when the park is not being used.
- Elwood Park is an Oval managed by City of Port Phillip.
- Lighting will be designed to address risk of impact to wildlife.
- Council recently engaged an external groups to completed impact report on
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- Good for your mental health especially when living in the city – the openness.
- Parking and traffic concerns.
- Works so well now.
- Not broken don’t fix it.
- Amplified noise from Elwood Park and local cricket already working.
- Service Road and New Street gets full as a car park.
- New Street residents re: noise and parking.
- Sportsground lighting and micro bats – the results indicated that bats hibernate during the traditional winter tenancy period and would have minimal impact on bats.
- The proposal does not prevent passive use of the space. The old golf course site will exclusive cater for passive use.
- Sports clubs are subject to EPA requirements, but use of whistles will occur during competition times.
- Traffic management would be considered if the recommendation is endorsed. Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling.

| 95   | Fantastic community space. |
|      | Changes the character of it. |
|      | Dog owners are friendly. |

| 96   | Cole Street. |
|      | Dog walkers from outside of council area. |
|      | Dogs dominate the playground. |
|      | Dogs knock kids over running through playground. |
|      | Out of the entire park, only 2 ovals–surely enough area for everybody? Need to be reasonable. |
|      | Important for young people obesity costing a lot. |
|      | Dog health vs human health. |
|      | Better than expensive stadiums, good to have kids running around. |
|      | Need for junior girls team to train. |
|      | Golf course outcome without ovals is disappointing. |
|      | Reactivate oval E/W. |
|      | No goals to take the grandkids for a kick e.g. Fawkner Park. |
|      | Can easily be both a sport and dog walking here. Can be time managed. |
|      | New lighting does not have spread. |
|      | Recommended option addresses these comments. |
|      | Dog owners are responsible for having their dog under full voice control off leash and local law also requires dog’s to be on leash near playgrounds. |
|      | Health benefits noted. |
|      | Training opportunities noted. |
|      | Elsternwick Park South can satisfy the needs of both social and sporting users. |

| 97   | Concern over what happens when both ovals being played on. |
|      | Restrict/manage the times concern when both being used. |
|      | Weekday school times are ok for oval use. |
|      | Would like to see a dedicated dog only oval. |
|      | Need some dog’s bags right on the oval area. |
|      | Kilsyth has an agility course. |
|      | Recommended option addresses these issues. |
|      | Noted |
|      | The sportsgrounds are currently well utilised during school hours. |
|      | Dog owners are required to carry dog days under local law. |
|      | Agility course noted. |

<p>| 98   | Dawson Avenue Resident. |
|      | Concern re parking in Dawson Ave. |
|      | Concern re loss of amenity. |
|      | Recommended option addresses these issues. |
|      | Elsternwick Park South can satisfy the needs of both social and sporting users. |</p>
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<td>Second oval is underused at Hurlingham. Small oval can only be used by up to under 10.</td>
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<td>Would like it reserved as 75. Traffic increased around the park. ALF style matches. Parking--traffic from developments don't fit in. Not enough spaces in the new developments. Lighting – lighting and towers. Don't buy next door to that. Noise. Behaviour and hangers on – currently don't have that. Would prefer oval development on the Glenhuntly Rd side which is already a sports ground less facing residential. Was set up for passive rec, not sport. Concern about wildlife habitats being compromised.</td>
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<td>The southern reserves are classified as having a prime function of a sportsground. All Bayside sportgrounds are also shared passive use. Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling. Recommended option addresses other issues. Tree removal is not proposed and the sportgrounds already exist. Noted Elsternwick Park South can satisfy the needs of both social and sporting users. Modern lighting systems are designed to minimise impact on surrounding residents and wildlife.</td>
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<td>Taking space away from the community. It's a community hub. Informal social interactions Social connections. People need a place to go and not play sport. Taking an amenity.</td>
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| 106  | • Very disappointing.  
      • It's a jewel in the crown of the municipality.  
      • Ambience of area – disappointed with Council.  
      • Car parking is an issue.  
      • A fence is a barrier.  
      • Informal interactions.  
      • It's a different type – local = no flood lights!  
      • Recommended option addresses these issues.  
      • Modern lighting systems are designed to minimise glare and spill and are subject to compliance of relevant Australian standards. |
| 107  | • Parking.  
      • Noise.  
      • Lights.  
      • Could use other ovals.  
      • Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling.  
      • Noted  
      • Other sportground usage is available via Council’s have your say page. |
| 108  | • Substantial use of amenity.  
      • Fenced off small populations.  
      • Parking current suggestions are trivial.  
      • Lighting issues effecting residents.  
      • Noise pollution.  
      • Flooding issues.  
      • Recommended option addresses these issues.  
      • Flood mitigation would addressed as part of a planning process.  
      • Sports clubs are subject to EPA requirements including start and finish times. Whistles are used during competition use. |
| 109  | • Parking issues constantly.  
      • Needs a bigger approach.  
      • We need a place based approach.  
      • Short sighted and narrow focused area.  
      • Lighting at night.  
      • Recommended option addresses these issues.  
      • Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling. |
| 110  | • Value the existing use of the park.  
      • More consideration to use golf course.  
      • Highly used.  
      • Passive recreation is very important.  
      • Building social capital.  
      • A decision was made on 28 March 2018 to create a passive open space at the old Golf Club site.  
      • Passive recreation opportunities will remain available at the reserve.  
      • Recommended option addresses these issues. |
| 111  | • Against it.  
      • Non sporting people have rights.  
      • Noted  
      • Elsternwick Park South can satisfy the needs of both social and sporting users. |
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| 112  | • Fencing will ruin the feel of the place.  
      • Move change room close to the road.  
      • Move to golf course on oval.  
      • Can we turn the old golf course into the new pavilion?  
      • Recommended option addresses these issues.  
      • A decision was made on 28 March 2018 to create a passive open space at the old Golf Club site. |
| 113  | • Phase 1 and 2 North and South.  
      • Place based approach without taking dogs.  
      • Safety issues girls walking from pavilion to road.  
      • Noted  
      • Consultation process was appropriate to ‘test a proposal’.  
      • Safety of participants is the responsibility of the club, participants and where juniors are involved – the parents. |
| 114  | • Why would you look at all the pieces of Elsternwick Park separately?  
      • Why not do an overall Master Plan taking everything into account?  
      • If ovals were part of the golf course no one will care because it has never been.  
      • A decision was made on 28 March 2018 to create a passive open space at the old Golf Club site. Consideration was given to an additional oval in this area but the opportunity to create an urban forest was considered more important at that site.  
      • Consultation process was appropriate to ‘test a proposal’. |
| 115  | • No fences because it will allow more sporting activity.  
      • More access for dogs off leash in the golf course would take the heat out of the 3 and 4 proposal.  
      • Dogs on leash is available in the northern reserve.  
      • Recommended option addresses these issues. |
| 116  | • Dog users parking won’t be able to access the park because new users from outside Bayside being penalised by the proposal.  
      • The economy of bayside is dependent on people from outside of Bayside.  
      • Nets behind the goal posts would ruin the look of the lake and park but they would be necessary to prevent balls from impacting the lake.  
      • Lighting until 9pm is just wrong for the environment.  
      • This is a beautiful park that needs to be preserved.  
      • Recommended option addresses these issues.  
      • Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling.  
      • Parking will be considered if the proposal is endorsed.  
      • The proposal will not have a negative economic impact on Bayside.  
      • Nets are not prosed as part of this proposal.  
      • Modern lighting systems are designed to minimise impact on surrounding residents and wildlife. |
| 117  | • Concerned that it will be used more and more.  
      • Fence is an issue as it puts people off.  
      • Lighting is a concern.  
      • Drawing not to scale – hard to interoperate designs.  
      • The measurements detailed on the map is the proposed size of the oval.  
      • Elsternwick Park South can satisfy the needs of both social and sporting users.  
      • Noted |
| 118  | • Lack of community consultation.  
      • Bad times for all.  
      • Lights.  
      • Fence and oval reinstatement.  
      • Will destroy the community feeling.  
      • Adequate space in Elsternwick Park north ovals – closer to station.  
      • Council report details community engagement process.  
      • Recommended option addresses these issues.  
      • A decision was made on 28 March 2018 to create a passive open space at the old Golf Club site. |
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<td>Great park – don’t stuff it up with tons of lights. Noted</td>
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<td>People in area don’t want change. Process is flawed – asking for views in a premeditated way. Quick Poll is flawed because of the unlimited access. Have written twice on Quick Poll on what the status is. Implementation of golf course should be for ovals. Parking is a joke for the increase in activity. Fences are unnecessary. Lighting will totally change the... All multiple submissions were removed from quick poll. Only on submission per email address, IP address. Recommended option addresses these issues. A decision was made on 28 March 2018 to create a passive open space at the old Golf Club site. Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling.</td>
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<td>Change rooms are unnecessary. Where are the netball courts? Netball girls get bullied up out these grounds. Remaining space for off lease is too close to roads. Usage of the ovals are not managed efficiently – use ovals 1 and 2 more. Kids use the open space for cross country. No one wants to walk on a path – we want to walk thru the current park is freedom. Parking will be packed with sportground users. Golf course can be used for sporting needs and then use the facilities. The proposal will spoil the area to the eye. Find a more resilient surface. Change rooms are required to facilitate competition sport. Council is investing $11m into a new Netball facility in Sandringham. Access to sportgrounds is managed by Council Recreation team and in line with recommended hours of use. The proposal will not impact use for the purpose of cross country events. Oval 1 is a leased facility during the winter period and is managed by VFA. A decision was made on 28 March 2018 to create a passive open space at the old Golf Club site. Recommended option addresses these issues.</td>
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<td>All for the proposal. As more teams grow, the need for ovals grow. It’s a struggle to find more sportgrounds – need to use all available spaces. Fencing is required for the safety of both spectators and players. If training finishes at 8pm there will be no issues with lighting. Plenty of parking. Recommended option addresses these issues. Support noted.</td>
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| 125 | No flyers.  
|     | Didn’t see the signs.  
|     | Why is the whole park as part of consultation?  
|     | The changes are a total change and the start to increase sports will open other opportunities to further development.  
|     | When the previous nearby clubs sportsground pavilion was brought down the park got better – the Council made this a great park and the proposal will ruin it.  
|     | Noise is a problem.  
|     | Very limited amount of passive recreation.  
|     | Increase in activity will cause congestion the change to parallel parking is not.  |
| 126 | Utilising other Council’s facilities should happen.  
|     | Other sportsgrounds close by are underutilised.  
|     | This space is needed for dog walking as well as sporting events. There is no other locations.  
|     | The northern area will only be for on leash.  
|     | Very rarely do you see the place empty and increased sports will ruin the existing open space qualities.  
|     | The fences will concentrate dog numbers to smaller areas.  
|     | Sceptical as to the sporting demand requirements.  
|     | There is not enough parking already to support sportsgrounds timing of oval 2 took too long and could have been activated long ago.  |
| 127 | Open area for off leash in Elsternwick Park works—do not change.  
|     | Worries about lights—spillage and glare of lights into private property.  |
|     | Council report details community engagement process including signage at the reserve and letter box drops.  
|     | The Master Plan of the Northern Reserve was endorsed in 2017.  
|     | The new urban forest being created in the northern reserve will supplement the existing.  
|     | Sports clubs are subject to EPA requirements including start and finish times. Whistles are used for competition purposes.  
|     | Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling.  
|     | Recommended option addresses these issues.  |
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|     | Oval usage data is available via Council’s Have you Say page.  
|     | Parking will be considered if recommendation is endorsed.  
|     | Confirming on leash status of northern reserve.  
|     | Parking and traffic congestion is a dilemma at all popular community attractions. Council supports alternatives to private car trips such as public transport, walking and cycling.  
|     | Elsternwick Park South can satisfy the needs of both social and sporting users.  
|     | Recommended option addresses these issues.  
|     | It is not proposed to change the off leash status of the reserve.  
|     | Modern lighting systems are designed to minimise glare and spill and are subject to compliance of relevant Australian standards.  |
Quick Poll Comments

Of the 1008 unique responses to the quick poll, the following comments were recorded.

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<td>- No fences!! This community resource should not be assigned to a single group and access should be open when no games are on. Light Poles are not dangerous elsewhere and fences are!</td>
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<td>- Only if they are able to be used as shared use for off leash areas.</td>
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<td>- Effect of fencing and lighting on the area only just back for public use. Will it be one step forward and two back?</td>
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<td>- The size of the proposed pavilion shown in the artist’s impression is massively larger than that shown on the plan. And will the pavilion be licensed for alcohol? If yes, then it is totally wrong.</td>
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<td>- The development of pavilions will impact the serenity of the park and is unlikely to improve amenity greatly as schools etc. bring their equipment. Not needed</td>
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<td>- I don’t oppose the development of the park for sport but I want it to still be available to the community and dog walkers and not completely taken over by sport</td>
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<td>- I would like to understand more about the dog on-leash areas in Elsternwick Park North. Given the size of that area, is there a possibility of having a section of it made available for off-leash activities? If not, why not?</td>
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<td>- I am concerned about the loss of the bicycle lanes on New St with the proposed angle parking</td>
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<td>- I support increase in local sport. I hope there can be reasonable allocation of sport, not every weeknight and both days on weekends. Could wetlands include one dedicated section for dogs off leash for compromise? Parking at Elsternwick Park does not look enough</td>
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<td>- What is projected oval use - 36 games a week or 27? If high, dogs/owners will be pushed to small areas NEAR ROADS. Unsafer! Make south end of old golf course (south of waterway) off lead and have pedestrian/dog under/overpass from Bent Ave for when sport on.</td>
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<td>- The Elsternwick Park is currently the most valuable open space in the entire inner southern region. I, like so many others, regularly use the park to walk my dog, and thereby to exercise myself.</td>
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<td>- Parking - turning the park from local dog walkers to competitive sport will bring many more cars. Bent Avenue and the part of new street adjacent to golf course could perhaps be turned into parking to alleviate street parking on residents.</td>
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<td>- Noise and light pollution - extending the hours of use of the park to 8:30pm will significantly impact residents. I oppose the lights. Using the park for sports in the day time only is a reasonable compromise</td>
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<td>- Re: both North and South Elsternwick Parks. I want reassurance dogs will be kept on leash as I know a couple of people who have fear/phobia of being attacked by dog. They avoid walking through park to Ormond Rd sometimes walking on the road Bent Ave.</td>
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<td>- This sounds a better option for sharing- but the need for the change at all needs to be verified.</td>
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<td>- There are so many football fields around and I would like to see some of this space used for sports that are not been given space near the CBD such as an indoor pistol club, RC Car Racing club.</td>
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• There are enough sporting areas already! Elstonwick Park is one of the few places we can go for a walk on weekends without sports and the associated rubbish/traffic/noise.

• Another reduction in off lead dog walking areas in Bayside

• The playground adjacent to oval 2 should not be removed as many children use it, particularly those with young children as the other playgrounds nearby are suited more to older children.

• End of local government and wasted community dollars

• AFL and Cricket can't have monopolies on green spaces. Vampires are big enough as it is. Why does it have to be about sport? Public swimming pool should be accommodated for.

• We have seen the park develop into a wonderful facility well suited to passive recreation and here we are attempting to revert the park to what it was 20+ years ago. Let's keep the park as it is!

• I do not want more sporting ovals!

• We feel this area should be dedicated to dog off leash. It is a gathering space for people in the community and heavily used. Sports fields are already very dominant in the general area.

• Again and again you try and every time the community feedback is do not change it. If you like walks in the park, playing with kids, flying kites, walking dogs, do we not have any value? We do vote

• This is a lovely park and the ovals works very well for casual after school sport and weekend cricket. Do not run this park by turning it into a permanent sport venue that only a few people will use.

• There are so many dogs that use those parks as off leash it is important for their health to continue to use those parks. A social venue and important health benefits for walkers. Elderly/social.

• No room for dog off leash area when both ovals are taken up by sport which is the current case on weekends in summer months with cricket.

• Bayside has plenty of sports grounds and comparatively little open parkland for non-sporting enjoyment. Sporting groups make up a small proportion of the community - what about everyone else?

• The park is already under pressure due to increased population and should be an open amenity for all Bayside and adjacent residents, not just sports clubs. Fencing off ovals destroys this amenity.

• Please conduct a thorough analysis of the current usage of existing ovals before taking away more park space. Last Sunday afternoon, prime time, ovals 1 and 2 were *not* in use.

• A lot of dogs and their owners enjoy the parks every day. There are no other parks in the area where a dog could be off leash. 2 ovals for sports are surely sufficient.

• I have been a resident of Horton Close for over 20 years and structured sports facilities so close to residents do not work. The previous rugby club was removed due to noise and loud functions.

• Disturb the wildlife with the lights and we have enough ovals

• While sport for kids is vital, any claim that there are not enough ovals is running. I live directly opposite the park and KNOW that ovals 1 and 2 are badly underutilised. Dog walkers need 3 and 4.

• There are plenty of sporting ovals, this is a long standing passive recreation site.
- I live in Ormond Rd, Elwood. The traffic created by developing these ovals would make an already difficult parking situation unbearable. We have three football grounds within 500 metres. It's enough!
- I am one of the dog owners who use the park on a daily basis to both exercise and socialise my dog. Having the park an off leash area at all times has meant all family members can get the benefit
- Need more sporting fields
- Limited parkland in bayside for off leash dog area. New wetlands space not able to provide this. 2 ovals nearby
- No community consultation, no transparency, no communication, motions being passed without residential discussion. This is inappropriate unethical and statutory
- We do not support evening sports events because of the noise, the strong lighting that would be required, the rubbish and fouling (players peeing in front of houses)
- Evening sports so close to residential is unacceptable. Noise, rubbish and people urinating at will are my main concerns.
- Once again this is bayside council removing facilities for dog owners
- More organised sports and infrastructure will change the character of the park. It will reduce the community and social feel of the environment into something less friendly and more formal.
- We need free space to walk dogs off leads. No more constructions in this area
- There is not enough time given for community consultation. There is not enough room left for dog walkers when grounds have sport on them.
- Dog off lead area not safe as on roads and children. Dog off lead area is limited further due to children playgrounds NOT shown on your MAP.
- I wildlife the wetland, public forest/park to encompass the present ovals. The ovals sit empty most of the time. We can do something wonderful with this space and should take this unique opportunity to act on it. The moment of decision is upon the Council.
- The off leash area is surrounding playgrounds and sporting fields. My 6 year old son was attacked by a dog when kicking a football at our local park. Not all dog owners are responsible so I prefer to take my children to the park outside of dog off leash
- No consultation, loss of amenity to dog walkers. Live across road, not happy at all about prospect of all ground and associated training etc. going on. Money should be spent on a hundred other things (like pedestrian crossing at bent/navy) before this
- Half of Elsternwick Park has already been developed as sporting facilities-tennis courts, golf course, and football oval. In addition there is another oval with stadium down on Elwood foreshore. Don't take what little piece of open parklands we have left!
- Dog off lease area unsafe next to roads and child playgrounds. Less off lead area restricted due to playground limitations. Why does it have to be both Ovals? Night lights, traffic and noise from playing fields destroy environment.
- I'm a woman and I play organised women's sport. My two teenage girls also play (AFL). We do not need more open space locked up in ovals that get used a few hour each week. Bayside has many ovals, use these across the whole week first.
- Dog off leash area is important part of life with dogs. Councils already impose restrictions on beaches for fine money. If you are going to take away off leash space then replace it with off leash space (golf course you have allocated)
- Elsternwick is perfect as it is. The only extra build needed would be a toilet by the Head St playground. There is enough pavilions already in Brighton. The AFL soccer playing community are provided for. The council needs to think of others.
- I walk my dog in the park all the time and this would restrict access. I also own a property overlooking the park and do not want the casual nature of it disturbed
- I do not support the activation of Oval 3 and 4 because off leash dog areas will be significantly be reduced, I also do not support a pavilion and lights being installed at this park. There is enough space for sport in Bayside already.

- Leave the ovals as they are - sport and dogs off leash do not mix. Oval 1 and 2 are already sports - create one more oval on the golf course and leave current dogs off leash ovals as they are. No improve.

- Eye sore, loss of amenity, disruption to the birds mating and wildlife, excess traffic which will get worse once the council flats are built. Too many other ovals in the area. Noise

- Don’t support if it means increase of permeant structure for footy to the detriment of other uses of the park. E.g. a fence around footy oval will impact how others use the park when footy not played (most of the time). Also traffic congestion and parking

- All our living windows face directly onto Oval 3. Our back fence is on the boundary of oval 3. Any further development (fencing, lighting, toilet, etc. Further noise, lights etc. will have profound impact on our living arrangements and mental health.

- Bayside taxpayers’ money should be invested in projects in Bayside.

- It will be under construction which means the dogs can’t use the one good park in the area. Also we are then restricted to when we can use the park. Evening and weekend sport is the time I take my dog to the park. Where would the dogs go if you did this?

- This project will destroy the natural environment of this beautiful park. This project will expose the park and children to unsafe and behavioural issues related with drinking at sporting events. LEAVE THE PARK ALONE.

- We need to keep our open space parkland free from buildings. We need the open space vista’s that allow the eye the emotions and the mind to see open and unlimited space and skyline. No pavilions on our park they will destroy this open space. No pavilions

- Because there is no transparency in this project. You need to make comments transparent to the community. The community rejected this 10 years ago and will again environmental, open space restrictions and loss of community major problems and house price reduction.

- Living directly on Ovals 3 and 4 creating sporting facilities and night participants will aggravate the loud groups at the Pavilion in front of us that often generate a lot of noise, music and alcohol into the evening. This will become much more unbearable.

- There are perfectly good ovals at Elsternwick Park North that can be used most of the time. Dog owners may not have to pay to play like teams would but we all pay registration fees and most pay rates. I know who contributes more to the council...

- I definitely oppose reactivation of oval 3 and 4. The other two are sufficient. And all the thousands of people who don’t play sport, actually need and use these beautiful open and free spaces.

- It’s a FLOOD PLAIN/PARK. Instead of millions on a pavilion you should be making it work properly as a flood plain as currently it’s failing in its design as I’ve seen first-hand while my house flooded! Also fencing/ flying ugly and dogs off leash area lost

- Adjacent area population is growing exponentially due to the redevelopment of commission housing and changes to area zoning. Apartment dwellers need access to park for a healthy life. fenced ovals dedicated to sports is unfair.

- Bayside are missing the point! This is a PARK not a SPORTSGROUND! I’m totally disgusted at being lied to at the workshops for the North park when I asked about the South Park it was loud and clear it WOULD NOT BE TOUCHED! Shame on you!

- The large one to the right maybe, as doesn’t seem to hurt anyone, as homes are across the road and service lane. However, I don’t think all the home owners living directly opposite the smaller oval on the left would appreciate having football or cricket I

- I’ll only support it if the golf course becomes a dog off lead area. The park is already super busy on weekends without adding sport too.
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- I’m okay with oval 4 being made into a proper sporting ground, but oval 3 is the best off leash area since it’s away from the street and the water creates a buffer, making it safe. Also, nobody wants to play where there’s dog crap and holes.
- Please include soccer pitches.
- I live walking distance to the park and like it just the way it is.
- Keep the park space open and free to use. Dog off leash area is one of the best in Melbourne. It brings community together.
- I feel like a decision has already been made without consulting the community that live close to this location. I don’t think more ovals are needed as the upgrade of ovals 1 and 2 is more than enough. I would prefer more open space for ALL to enjoy.
- I do NOT support this project. The open space as it exists today allows people to use it freely and enjoy the open space without the obstruction of buildings or being restricted in its availability.
- The area needs green space. I am opposed to this plan.
- Activating ovals and building pavilions will spoil views and feelings of freedom and relaxation we badly need today for mental health. Adults, children and dogs need more wide open spaces, not less. We need more spaces to be, not do. Birds will also suffer.
- Bayside Council needs to pay more attention to non-organised groups in our community, rather than be solely influenced by experienced lobby groups such as sporting clubs. Removing off-leash dog access in Bayside has become a terrible trend recently.
- Do not support park land being used for additional parking spaces and do not believe that ratepayer’s monies should be spent on sports pavilion and lighting to AFL standards. This park is not for AFL but residents use only.
- It is a complete waste of rate payer’s money and would probably benefit non-residents more. Municipal Golf Courses should be maintained.
- I do not support the construction of sporting pavilions that will hinder our views and natural landscape. This area is densely populated as it is and there is a need for open landscapes. I also do not support the restrictions on dogs off leash.
- Oval 3 in particular is a good safe place away from busy roads where many people walk their dogs. Once sporting interests become involved, our freedom to enjoy this space will gradually be whittled away.
- This is a park providing passive recreation for all. There are plenty of ovals elsewhere. This is a park for residents, for open space for passive recreation not for vested sporting interests. The proposal is outrageous and should be scrapped.
- The amount of off-lead dog friendly areas in Bayside has been dramatically shrinking. These ovals are used at all hours of the day for dog owners to safely socialise their pets and themselves. Losing these ovals will push dog walking closer to roads.
- I enjoy the quiet community park. There are many underused sports areas already. Increased noise, light and traffic will harm our area.
- This is supposed to be a leisure park. Planned changes are oversized. Traffic congestion and white and real noise will impact all residents nearby. The communication on this project to us neighbours in new street has been non-existent. Dishonest council.
- There are already 2 sporting ovals here to facilitate sporting activities. The size of the area and lighting is very imposing. This will have a significant negative impact on locals. New Street is already at it limit in terms of traffic.
- Would prefer a soccer field. Two ovals dedicated to the same sports are unfair. I support the new parking spots.
- Increased restrictions on the parks use for dog owners. An off leash area in the old golf course with ups surely provide a better compromise and ease objections to the past St proposed development.
- Sport is good, however, in these times, the wide space for reflection.
- It’s called Elsternwick Park not Elsternwick Oval.
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<td><strong>Despite what is stated in the plans, they are not an upgrade of the ovals. These are precious ovals that are currently used by large numbers of people and their dogs from the local community. Giving them to organised sport is outrageous.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Community recreation, health and fitness goes beyond sport. We need ‘open’ (not fenced) spaces to promote activity for all members of the community. These ovals are full of active non-sporting locals every day. Fencing for sport deters this huge benefit.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>We don’t need more sporting ovals. There are already several in nearby areas which have been updated. Restricting the off leash areas for dogs during sporting events is unfair for the amount of dogs who use the park.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Disappointed that even MORE Off Lead Dog areas are being removed from a significant portion of rate payers. Council needs to closely look at keeping amenities and even INCREASING them for their dog/fee payers section of the community.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>There are 2 fenced ovals in Elst. Park north. Another just 600 metres way in Elwood Park (+soccer pitches). All have facilities already. Why sacrifice hugely utilised open space to create 5 fenced in ovals within 600m of each other??</strong></td>
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<td><strong>far too many ovals are already in use for sport</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Reduces the amenity of the park for locals. Increased organised sport brings outsiders who take up already limited parking and the lights and additional noise and foot traffic will be an eyesore and reduce the value of the properties abutting the park.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Football clubs aiming for AFL level should be assisted by local and State Governments and AFL to buy their own land in industrial areas of Bayside and not appropriate parkland from local communities who have diverse stakeholders, residents and sports groups.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>This will impact the space currently provided to dog walkers (again). Council must consider the health and well-being of its constituents re areas to exercise their dogs off-lead as opposed to favouring the sporting community at every turn.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Elstly Park is the only uninterrupted reserve near our house. There, we walk dogs, socialise, have BBQs, run and ride our bikes - and it is beautiful. There is simply no need to pollute the area with pavilions, floodlights and unnecessary fences.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Our dogs divinely need more off-leash space. It is extremely unfair to the animals especially in bayside where a lot of residents keep dog(s). Dogs need space to run around not just walk on leash. They do need good and healthy exercise just as human dose.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>The off leash dog exercising areas proposed are not adequate and are potentially dangerous. Large areas of the off leash areas are actually unsuitable.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>You are taking away areas used for off leash dog walking and further restricting both hours and areas where one can walk dogs off lead. You only ever take away off leash (or on leash for that matter) and once for, we never get it back and never get any more.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Leave the natural environment! Sport pavilion is only for some people, green open space is for everyone. Keep our community green</strong></td>
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<td><strong>This park is a community facility which provides a meeting place for the residence who live within its immediate proximity. This is one of the last places left in Melbourne which is not turned into a formalised sports ground. It is community at heart.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>The fence and lighting will completely change the character of the open space - one of the few left in Bayside</strong></td>
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<td><strong>It’s a wonderful community space for all people .It is peaceful and offers quieter times in a busy, frantic sometimes, world. The animals help everyone. Sportground have a different purpose altogether! And are intrusive in this wonderful space of Bayside</strong></td>
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- This proposal was roundly condemned by residents and users last time around. Nothing has changed. It will be the loss of a well-used and loved open space.

- In densely populated areas we need flexible natural spaces that have multiple purposes. We love the park because we can bring our kids and dogs and use it for everything without being restricted or separated. The natural environment needs to stay.

- Improved sporting infrastructure will not just cater for existing sport users. It will act as a magnet for more and more sporting use. The interests of rate paying casual park users will be ceded to those of non-rate paying sportspeople – not BCC’s remit.

- There is sport on the entire northern side of the park, including VFL headquarters. VFL is swallowing up public land to the detriment of our standard of living. It would be a travesty if yet more sporting facilities replaced public land. I’m disgusted.

- This is a well utilised and special park for people with dogs and families to recreate and socialise. Many people have dogs and this is one of the few leash free parks in the area. The lights will be very intrusive and will mean noise day and night.

- I do not support the proposal for the following reasons; traffic congestion, not enough parking, less open space for public use. Ugly pavillion, flood lights and fencing. Already enough sports ovals within bayside. Waste of tax payers money, council lying.

- The ‘significant investment’ in the redevelopment will fundamentally destroy the nature reserve precinct for all who enjoy it. We have experience at the other end of Head St, and the high usage rates of Elwood Park for sport have destroyed the environment.

- Removes the only fully open area available to local residence. No empirical evidence from walking past other sports grounds that they are oversubscribed as they’re often empty. But great that you’re opening up the north side of the park for walkers!

- It is currently the most beautiful suburban park. Multipurpose and enjoyed by the community. The change to a dedicated sports facility will dramatically alter its appearance and appeal.

- This is an invasion of open space which makes this area so attractive. Sport can be played without the impost of fencing or light towers. Beautiful grassy areas will become muddy paddocks and angle parking in busy New St. will be bad for motorists/cyclists.

- Should be using the golf course for new ovals not existing open space.

- To place fences, lighting and a Pavilion in this Open Space is extremely detrimental to the area. Improve the quality of the playing fields but not with this additional infrastructure. Junior sport can be played without putting fences around the fields.

- This is the ONLY off-leash dog park around!!! It is constantly full of residents using it for this sole purpose. There are plenty of sporting ovals in Glen Eira council, another one is not needed! Please don’t ruin the ONLY dog park we have!!!

- The Park as it exists at the moment has facilities for sport and non-sporting activities.

- We have lived right on Elsternwick Park for 20 years, and have enjoyed the current level of sporting activities and non-sporting activities. To install a Pavilion and lighting will definitely impact negatively on our quality of life.

- It will destroy the relaxed community environment and family friendly atmosphere of this unique open space. Please don’t do it!

- Alternative ovals can be sourced by using innovative means like partnering with schools, neighbouring councils. e.g.: MCC partnering State Government to build Beaumaris Secondary College oval and facilities. Stop working as a silo, be smart and seek joint ventures.

- I vehemently oppose this proposal. The park in its current form adds huge value to local residents. It is aesthetically appealing and provides a lovely quiet open space. It will negatively impact residents adding no value and creating major parking issues.

- The Elsternwick Park is a park not a sporting ground. The vista, wetland area, park land area, community gathering, dog friendly will be spoilt. The proposed parking will not be sufficient. There are perfectly good sports ovals 1 and 2 to be used to until is
- I love Elsternwick Park the way it is - open green and undeveloped. I don't want fences lights and buildings there. I won't run in the heavily treed golf course, I feel safer in the open at Elst Park. BCC just scampering to make up for golf course disaster.

- My family wants a park without fences, lights, electrical equipment, buildings or other development. It is ideal as it is, and we see the current proposal as a greedy push by well-funded sports to expand their base without care for other park users.

- Do not need lights and extra traffic congestion in that area, which will already be congested with the extra hundreds of private residents at the planned new housing commission complex.

- Leave the park alone and as it is.

- This park is where my nephews plays and is a huge asset for kids in the area to be able to use the open space.

- Permanently spoil natural environment used passively by wide variety people, dawn to dusk, year round to service homogeneous group for 25 - 36 hours/week during football season. Insufficient consideration given to planning for the park as a whole.

- Elsternwick Park South is a precious asset that would be changed forever with fencing and lighting. How unbelievably short sighted and greedy is this plan. The old golf course is the obvious place for another football ground with parking and pavilion there.

- There are plenty of other underutilized ovals in bayside, how about increasing their usage rather than cutting down on the already diminished areas where pet owners can have the dogs off leash.

- There are already two ovals that could be better used. Also oval 3 and 4 are home to a wonderful dog community where many friendships are formed. People from all over Melbourne come to this dog park and it would be such a shame to see it go.

- The project is unnecessary as there are already ovals in close proximity. There is no need to change the current space as it is already utilised and much loved by the community.

- I don't want a fenced off of two large ovals in the park. I don't want a large sporting pavilion built in the centre of the park. I don't want floodlights I stalled in the park. The current oval is a special place. Build the new ovals at the golf course.

- I oppose taking a space for everyone anytime and making it regimented for a select few. This is a unique and special park loved by locals and visitors don't screw it up there is enough bad stuff in the world without taking away beautiful serene places...

- For the reasons outlined on the flyer

- There is a wonderful community of park users which will be destroyed by the proposed development. I am all for sport participation but not at the expense of a large community of people. There is also not enough parking to support this plan.

- Have you seen how many people go there after work? It's a real community with children and families, older people and yes, dog owners throwing the ball with their dog after being at work all day. It's healthy. Sport is not the be all and end all. Leave it.

- I am concerned for the effect on the environment and local residents who live around the park due to floodlights and street parking.

- There are multiple sporting venues in the area. Upgrade their pavilions and capacity and let us walk our dogs off lead so they can enjoy life too. You have not provided other spaces or options for more off lead parks and areas.

- The yellow areas on the plan are actually the only open, flat and tree free area available in the whole park where people can have dogs off to chase a ball, fly kites and kick a footy around casually.

- Not appropriate to have AFL level football there. Park heavily used by recreational groups, dog walkers, children. Pavilion will attract undesirables, make park unsafe. Lights, noise bad impact on environment. Highett Gasworks site a better location.
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<td><strong>Melbourne is full of fenced ovals with light towers. We should not destroy the last open-plan park of any significant size left in Bayside. You have picked to wrong park space to turn into a MCSPorts venue. This park is our community.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Fences and lights will destroy the community meeting function and open play field freedom that the park currently provides. Why does the AFL have to own every good thing we have in Melbourne and ruin it??</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Parking is inadequate if it is to be turned into spectator sports field. By extending the hours of use of the park will create light and noise pollution will unreasonably affect surrounding properties.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Because there are already 2 sporting ovals in the neighbouring area. The community needs free space to use for personal outdoor activities like flying kites, throwing frisbees and exercising dogs. Oval usage prevents this at peak usage times for others.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>The new activation will be highly incongruous to the atmosphere of the park and surround suburbs. Also very unnecessary considering there are 2 ovals right next door (Wattle Watson).</strong></td>
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<td><strong>This is a park for general recreation including dog play. There is also a large amount of native birds that will be affected by lighting.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Oval 3 has become a local hub for dog owners in our community. It would be detrimental to the cohesion of this wonderful community if this were to become a fenced off sports oval. Please do not take this special place away from our inclusive community.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>The sporting precinct should be developed in NORTH Elsternwick Park, instead of wetlands that will increase mosquito borne diseases and lead to class actions against Council. E.g. Google articles such as Dr Cameron Webb’s article “Avoiding the Buzz Kill”</strong>.</td>
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<td><strong>This the ONLY Park in the SE suburbs which is for passive recreation, with and without dogs - which is of huge physical and mental value over and above organised sport. I can attest to this from my own health recuperation. Off the leash is VIP.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>I don’t wish for the ovals to be fences off and not open to the public. I also have a dog who will not be allowed to use the park.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Loved unspoilt, uncluttered area Bayside has many Private schools with well-designed and maintained sporting arenas - the park is unique and attracts locals and non-locals alike. Large variety of wildlife and a refuge for water birds. No overdevelopment</strong></td>
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<td><strong>We don’t need more sporting grounds. Houses back onto this park the noise and lights will be too disruptive.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Elsternwick Park is a small local park with a quiet character. It is an inappropriate area for sporting fields and buildings. The closure of the golf course has given the council plenty of new space for sports fields. Please leave Elsternwick Park alone.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Elsternwick Park is a beautiful open park and I believe developing this park will ruin this area. Flood lights will be disruptive to those who live in the area and I believe there are sports centres nearby this park does not need to be developed.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>The plans are too large, too invasive with large buildings and lights. We live opposite the park and value the peace and calm it provides to all</strong></td>
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<td><strong>You appear to have overlooked the large number of people who use the park regularly for purely recreational use, organised sport will destroy that, vastly reducing the areas available, the new on lease area is a poor replacement it should be made off leash.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>An unnecessary division of beautiful open space. Park users already share ovals with sport without issue. There are THREE other fully equipped sport ovals in the immediate area, no need for another. Added Parking exacerbates a crowded and dangerous road.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>I believe that the sports ovals 1and2 should suffice for sports and perhaps oval 1 could be upgraded with a pavilion and that the ovals south are utilised for other community needs like kids playing and dog walking on lead.</strong></td>
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- Surely there are sufficient fenced ovals in Bayside, I could but what’s the point of listing them!! Why spoil a perfectly good park which has been progressively improved over many years and used by many people every day incl. schools cricketers dog lovers.

- Massive overdevelopment and change in original land use, parking in area is already used to capacity, particularly on weekends, where are the traffic impact studies? It’s a park, not an

- I prefer it the way it is and I use it daily for off lead dog walking

- Old golf course needs to be off-leash area for dogs. Ovals will mean that the existing off-leash area is no longer available most of Saturday as well as a few weeknights. Needs to be alternative. The ‘Open Space’ on map is not very big/open.

- I don’t support mature trees being pulled down for pavilion. I think the night lights would disturb bird life and nearby residents.

- The park is not just for Bayside residents but everyone. Currently sporters use the park with leisure seekers. Planned pavilion and ovals will destroy that, negatively impact wildlife and pet dogs, bring unwanted traffic/parking problems, noise and stress.

- This open space is very dear to us and all of our dog owner community. So over councils squandering unnecessary money on things that are not broken. If it’s not broken, why fix it!! What a crazy idea in terms of additional traffic and noise!! NO. NO. NO!

- You are taking away a significant social and community aspect as people will be highly restricted in bringing their dogs to the area on an off lead basis at popular times. The alternative would be to have the ex-golf course area off-lead.

- Having a huge off leash Dog Park was one of the reasons I bought in this area. Taking away the ovals from dog owners will impact them hugely, not to mention potentially be a danger to traffic on the streets around the park.

- I feel it is unnecessary for the park to be fenced off. Open space is actually a good thing. I think there are plenty of sporting facilities in the area and the North end of the park would be more suited for redevelopment.

- The plan to create fenced and floodlit sports grounds in EPS will forever ruin the beautiful and unique “village green” nature of the present park. You will disenfranchise thousands of local residents who love to meet each day in this area.

- Elsternwick Park is successfully used by a number of interest groups. The fact that it is “passive” in its arrangement of sporting fields and recreation zones makes it unique. External forces of organised sport have no business here. Green space lives!

- Increased parking problems, lighting and noise issues, vandalism, destruction of a family friendly area. This park is important for being just that, a place which is about recreation where everyone can come and enjoy being together.

- It proposal will add too much infrastructure into this public open space.

- I believe it detrimental to the environmental, and will also impede locals with night lighting, affect an already congested parking area. Cause traffic issues to the local area

- Kick to kick with owners. I would be supportive if only one oval was occupied per evening.

- Impact of neighbouring residents - increased noise, traffic and parking provision/availability. Enjoyed by many for more passive recreation. Fencing and planned games will limit access. Lighting towers will be ugly. Football ovals next door? No.

- At the moment it is the best free space in area for children, dogs, older people and others who find organised sport constantly impinging on public land. I travel from Caulfield to use the park for this reason

- I do not support the changes to park as the recreation for dog walking is already reduced and we do not need any more sports field, at the expense of the dogs. The park has a lovely atmosphere that works well for all the people that have been using it.
- The park needs to be used for passive recreation. No fences around the ovals I live in Elwood and do not need to be in the middle of a sports area when I cannot use my park.

- Park is for all community. Lights/roads/fences. Sport can be accommodated without infrastructure which ruins park for others.

- I love the park the way it is and would like to see more trees with more plants and understorey, not less. Buildings, fences and lighting will ruin the beautiful vista. Lights at night will have an adverse effect on wildlife.

- It would be a real shame to deprive the local dog owners of such a fantastic place to allow their pets off leash and socialize in such a safe environment.

- Elsternwick Park is a unique park providing safe exercise options in an informal manner that help a section of society under catered for: people over 50. On lead golf course is unsafe. Plenty of ovals bayside and WAFL can use local school ovals.

- It is more important to have open spaces that ALL residents can enjoy every day of the year, rather than MORE sports ovals which will only be used for 36 hours a week. There are enough ovals in Bayside!

- It’s a public facility, it is NOT appropriate to hand it over to a profit-oriented group such as the AFL.

- Ovals will be used all day everyday day during winter. No parking supplied for additional hundreds of people. Impact on wild-life in park.

- This will absolutely ruin the community! Do not proceed, this is ridiculous and you should be ashamed of yourselves.

- Elsternwick Park is an important passive recreation park, when there are not enough areas of passive recreation.

- Similar proposal by council several years ago. Elsternwick Park is an important passive recreation green space and should be left with no artificial lighting towers, buildings or more fencing than that around the lake.

- Disgusted to hear about reactivation. I was involved in the north park workshops and asked about the effect on South Park of which I was told it wouldn’t be touched as they’d already tried and failed. This is a park for all and should be protected.

- Loss of open space and off-leash access.

- It’s a special place for the community and dog walkers, it needs to retain its special character and left for dogs and walkers to roam freely. I believe you should look elsewhere for sports ovals.

- Removal open space, pavilion decreasing open participation, removal off-leash areas, disingenuous to suggest for women’s participation you didn’t support that for ovals 1 and 2, other options in north are there so keep your hands off south.

- Open parkland should be kept without a structured sports oval, lights and increased number of cars.

- Object to increased traffic, lights, noise, fencing, pavilion, sports activities.

- Please place increased ovals at the northern end of the park and use the area inside and surrounding the old golf course with the carpark existing. Allow us to continue the freedom we gave anytime to walk and play. No lighting, no fences, no extra noise.

- There’s no real need to fence off the area. That area is nice because open to public. If someone wants to do sports, they are free to do it. There was cricket being played just yesterday as I passed by. Fencing off for organized sports is a stupid idea.

- I’ve been a regular user of Elsternwick Park since 1969. It has always been a place of tranquility, freedom and friendship. This change will cause tension between local users and sports teams forcing change on our unique Bayside lifestyle. It’s a mistake.

- Enjoy the park as is - walking the dog off leash, enjoying the wildlife, not being subjected to sport.

- I pay rates to use the park if it is taken up by sport I can’t use it all year round. Do not do this. Use school ovals instead. The park should be for all not just for sport.
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<td>I'll let you know at the Council Meeting and on 19/07/2018.</td>
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<td>As a professional market researcher, I can say that this so-parcelled is a total travesty, it follows no scientific approach, and its results are meaningless; if you want to do a survey, then do it properly, using professional help.</td>
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<td>Sport facilities dominate Bayside, there is only one secure dog offload area. First priority at this park should be a secure fenced offload dog area.</td>
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<td>As a community we need to know more before radically changing the park (see email I have sent). We need a) more details on options, b) data on current usage of all existing ovals, c) plan to increase efficiency of their use before we look at this again.</td>
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<td>We need facilities for everyone, not just a small group of football players.</td>
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<td>To over the top. Reduces the space of the park, and will create conflict between sports users and general public, especially dog walkers. Reduces amount of free space for public use, and drastically reduces amount off-leash space for dog owners.</td>
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<td>Because it's the only place where we can go and feel comfortable with our pets and kids playing around without worrying about the main roads. There's plenty of sport centres not enough green areas.</td>
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<td>This is an integral and well utilised community space. The proposed changes are not designed for the benefits of current residents and are designed to service a small percentage of stakeholders.</td>
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<td>With the numerous apartments still being built in the area there is the one piece of paradise left for public and dog walkers. I would be ok with one oval for sports BUT not both… or the option of the golf course to be a full off-leash area all year round.</td>
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<td>Vehemently NO the park currently works well as is.</td>
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<td>Loss of amenity. There is already a sporting area north of the present park. What is proposed will spoil the attributes of the present park.</td>
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<td>All ready enough sport facilities in the area. It is really good to have space where families and friends can roam. I do not like the idea of more fences the beauty of the area is that it is open.</td>
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- I use the park every day for walking, meditation, yoga and walking my dog. I have come to treasure this space as a peaceful environment away from the noise and hustle of urban life. Please do not spoil it with a sports stadium etc.

- There is already limited space in the area for safe off leash dog access. There are plenty of sports grounds around. I know from experience that mixed use does not work and therefore strongly oppose turning these ovals into sports grounds.

- The case for re-activation is being made on one sports for one group [no matter which it actually is] to impact an asset loved and used by all ages and groups! Cannot be true! Not supported!

- Not sufficient details on additional car parking being part of the proposal. Only vague language instead of good estimated on how many cars can be expected at a normal and busy use of the ovals. We need the numbers for informed decisions!

- We need to allow dogs to be off leash in the park at all times. SAVE THE DOGS!

- This will create a wall to wall sporting precinct from Glenhuntly Rd along St Kilda St to Elwood Park. Increased traffic, visitor parking, congestion, noise. This section of Elsternwick Park provides a break between these and needs preserving.

- Why does every open space have to be ovals? The fact that they already are just further illustrates my point. It will ruin the off leash dog park and the beautiful atmosphere of the open parkland. The bright lights will completely disturb the wildlife.

- It will be an increase in traffic with no parking, rubbish and change the landscape affecting many residents. The proposed ovals should be placed on the golf course creating a sporting complex with the already existing ovals, tennis centre and bowls club.

- Currently a unique open space in Melbourne, perfect for socialisation of dogs, reducing danger to the community of aggressive unpredictable dogs through surrounding suburbs. When we sell our Elwood place Oct we wouldn’t consider Parkside places if fences.

- Reduced the amenity for casual park users and local residents. Benefits a small group who are not representative of the local demographic around the park.

- The impact on local area when it could be avoided by reconsidering the development of the Golf course into a sporting hub with plenty of space for facilities, parking and two new ovals, keep Elsternwick Park as is for community and recreational use.

- Park is widely used by many groups now, both sporting and recreational. Creating 2 lighted AFL ovals will limit its use and significantly change its character.

- If new AFL ground needed build it next to existing ovals in NE corner. This will keep all the ovals together and enable use of existing car park and club rooms. Most importantly it will save rate payers money and keep the many users of Ovals 3and4 happy!


- It will cause congestion, traffic noise, it will increase litter in the park, it will destroy the look of the park and the extra lighting will adversely affect the local residents and will deprive local residents of parkland and space for dogs.

- Because it’s an area for dogs to walk and people to hang out. ITS AN OPEN SPACE

- Public passive parklands must be protected for the benefit of many different groups not sequestered by special interests. Draft plan is appallingly vague and completely lacks rigour. Maximise utilisation of existing facilities before grabbing for more.

- Council efforts to improve this park for passive recreation over the years have been highly successful. It is now a lively focus for ALL at any time - kids, families, dog owners, recreational fitness groups. This elite usage proposal is utterly retrograde.

- People should feel free to walk their dogs there.
• My firm belief is that BCC is overlooking the needs of the majority of users of EP South. Turning the fields and current space into football ovals with pavilions and lighting demonstrates an exclusive use granted to Sports clubs vs Residents. Dreadful.

• I do not want to see the area dominated by organized sport,

• I don’t support the project because I walk my dog there and run there and don’t want the extra traffic and busyness. The dogs will have nowhere to run off lead and it is the only good park that doesn’t have a lot of sport on.

• Many formal ovals already in the area - adding lights and pavilion will destroy the lovely green space that is well utilised and loved by the community. Parking would be a nightmare. Not a huge teen/sports oriented neighbourhood - more suited to walking.

• I don’t support the project because my dog and I walk there OFF LEAD every day. She runs free and meets new furry faces. She loves the free ovals of Elsternwick Park. Without the dog ovals we would be lost. SAVE ELSTERNWICK PARK

• It will reduce the best aspect of this park - the large off leash dog areas - and increase traffic and noise in the surrounding areas.

• The leash off dog areas as they are, are a wonderful highlight of the Elsternwick Park, and should be left in their current state. Making them ovals would ruin the beautiful area already there.

• I live in bayside so I can be close to parklands, have open places for my young son to play. I strongly oppose this idea and am extremely disappointed that bayside council would even consider this proposal. Council out of touch, won’t re-elect.

• Bayside Council have not demonstrated appropriate research of the current use of the site and opportunity cost of sectioning off large packets of land to the benefit of AFL. The staff at the information sessions were unable to provide relevant information.

• With such an increase in apartment living the access to a green space were you can enjoy the quite is limited. The social interaction of an off leash dog park is amazing for mental health and for dogs socialising.

• The ovals and floodlights will be an eyesore, parking and congestion will be a nightmare and it will completely off leash enjoyment of the dog park. Don’t ruin our park.

• With flats replacing houses it is vital for the park to meet diverse needs, not just those of sporting clubs which have always shared the park others. The transformation of the park would be a short sighted and irreparable act of vandalism.

• See my comments in response the discussion forums.

• This park is widely used by local residents for a range of activities. The cricket season already creates issues. Aren’t there enough AFL ovals in the local area?

• We need open unstructured parkland that is also conducive to native wildlife.

• This park is an attraction to many people in the Bayside, Port Phillip and Glen Eira catchment. I clearly cannot understand why it needs to be turned into an organized sporting ground facility with fencing, flood lights and pavilion.

• decrease in off lease space available for dogs; increased risk of car accidents to dogs as dogs are forced to boundaries near roads; why aren’t golf links being redeveloped for sport as prior use was for sport.

• Leave the space as it is, to be used by everyone. There are other places this sort of dominant infrastructure could be placed.

• No detail for any other option has been provided at the forum held last week at the park itself. And the objectives remain unclear e.g. is it to promote women’s AFL?

• Look first at the ovals currently in Bayside that are NOT being used to their full potential. Good to see that you have wisely chosen to extend the consultation process. Now Council needs to continue to learn to be transparent.
- The park is beautiful the way it is. It is used or open to use by all members of the public.
- I do not support the project as I enjoy walking in the park, hearing the birds and amongst the trees.
- It's an over-development of an already well-used park accessible to all.
- Can't support the loss of frequently-used community open space for the privilege of a comparatively small number of specific users.
- Leave our off-leash areas alone!!
- Find an empty new space, not an area that is used by the community and valued for its open aspect!!
- The park is a lovely shared environment at the moment. This will ruin the park, increase congestion and affect parking, push dogs to the road perimeters (increasing road accidents), and endanger wildlife.
- There are sport grounds at Dendy Park. Please leave Elsternwick Park as is.
- Please leave this space alone! Find a new space for your specific AFL demands that doesn’t remove another group’s use!!
- Keep the park for the local people. We don’t want to be inundated with feral footy parents
- Leave the park as it is.
- The execution of this proposal will destroy the character of Elsternwick Park and the park itself. The erection of fences will discourage use of the area as general parkland. Fences EXCLUDE. This is a park not a sports ground. Look at its name.
- not a good idea
- because I do not wish for the ovals to be fenced off for use by a small select group within our community at the expense of the vast majority of current users.
- Loss of open space that I use regularly for walking my dogs and recreation of my grandchildren. The proposed development has to be the worst blunder in the Bayside Councils recent history.
- bad idea
- The park is perfect for locals the way it is. We pay the rates and taxes and would not benefit from its development, it would decrease our enjoyment of the park with our dogs.
- Unfair to change for a small group of people, the light towers are too close to residential area traffic will be a big problem other uses of the park will not be able to use it when they want which is unfair. houses overlooking the park will lose value.
- Because professional AFL is taking over oval 1 when Trevor Barker Oval is barely used
- Impact on already busy park and natural feel. Support Oval 4 but not oval 3 activation. Prefer the pavilion be shifted closer to the south side of oval 4 so it doesn’t dominate the park.
- Because this park should be kept as valuable open, mixed use, community space. If this multi-million dollar development goes ahead, the few football community takes over the part lost forever to football, concrete paving, fencing, and kiosk.
- The area should remain available for recreation use, as it is enjoyed by many, adding value and character to the area.
- Elsternwick Park is a rare asset and has enough football.
- It will ruin the park!
- Increase in noise pollution, traffic, and infrastructure. Council needs to be transparent and listen to the rate payers. I have spoken to many locals who are very upset and surprised about this proposal.
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• We need this area for family time.

• Driving dog owners out. Currently plenty of sporting areas are available. Will increase traffic and congestion. Plenty of sport is played in the general area now, this proposal will only cause tension between resident casual users and organised sport user.

• It's wrong on all levels. What a poor argument for what seems like a huge cost.

• I have recently moved to Ripponlea and am a regular with my small dog at Elsternwick Park. Previously I lived in Yarraville but would continue to make the trip to Elsternwick Park for its wide open off leash area. Please don't destroy it. It's beautiful.

• Poor use of rate payers funds Compromises health, safety and wellbeing of most residents.

• No evidence that its necessary.

• It will degrade the culture of the park and leaves only areas close to the road for dogs to play off lead. This is a zero sum proposition which leaves the hundreds of dog owners at a loss. The best dog park south of the river should remain as such.

• Very bad plan.

• I have used this Park for many years, it is a beautiful park with a lot of history and memories. There are no other parks within close proximity and it would be a tragedy to lose this park to sporting events.

• Highly utilised off-leash area which will no longer exist after activation.

• The proposal caters to the few (who play football) at the expense of the many who currently use the park in a variety of recreational ways. Limiting park use for the majority of users is unwarranted. Other options exist that do not disadvantage users.

• It is rare to find big open spaces for everyone in the community to use and enjoy. Ovals 3 and 4 will destroy the character/openness of the existing park for the benefit of a small number of sporting club members who care only about their clubs.

• I use this park every week. It is a lovely space to sit and read or to walk around and contemplate life's challenges. Everyone is friendly and social. Don’t ruin it.

• Keep the park for the whole community.

• My grandchildren use the park.

• I don't want it to be fenced in.

• Not appropriate use of public space.

• No fences please.

• We live in Elsternwick and walk our dog off leash in Elsternwick park mornings, evenings and on the weekends. We enjoy having the space to enjoy and the eco system that continues to thrive in this environment. The football fields will change all of this.

• Lack of consultation, too wide extension of park usage and not considering current users or community. Recreation and dog walkers will be unable to use the space. Outside areas unsuitable for dogs as too near roads unless all 4 boundaries are fully fenced.

• We specifically bought a house near the dog park we would never buy a house because it was near a sports oval. It's a park- please don’t try to make it something it's not.

• The park was a wasteland. Now the trees are fully matured attracting bird life and it provides a fully appreciated dedicated green space for dog walkers, joggers, children,
• Fencing and lighting would disrupt the flora and fauna of the area and also could lead to commercialisation which would reduce the use of the area for the free use of tax payers for leisure activities.

• The park is beautiful as it is. The proposal would destroy it. Would they put ovals inside Melbourne’s botanical gardens??

• This would be an enormous loss of amenity for local people. For many of the residence in period homes on smaller parcels of land (our family home in Brickwood Street included) this Park has been our back yard, a space where families, friends and so many others

• I’m opposed to fencing off part of the park (this is exclusionary). I’m opposed to the reduction of safe dog off leash areas. I support retaining this park for passive recreation of all types (walkers, joggers, kids, dogs, families etc.).

• Elstern Park is much loved and highly valued as a community park for locals and visitors alike. It is one of the best dog parks in Melbourne. There are enough sporting facilities within the area. This will ruin our community.

• It’s a great park - for all uses. This will totally change the character of the park for the worse. The wetlands space is a step in the right direction - please don’t make it one step forward and two steps back.

• There are many sports grounds across Melbourne there are few off leash dog areas, this area is used by dog owners and families throughout the year.

• Insufficient safe and secure dog off leash areas already

• Off leash areas need to be well away from roadways to ensure dog safety. The 2 ovals are critical areas are ideal for this and must not have the access restricted by increased sporting activities. We need more safe off leash areas, not less.

• Firmly against fencing and lighting structures in the open park. If a pavilion is required, please place at side of park.

• This project favours an exclusive select group within the community to the detriment of everyone else. It would give exclusive rights to people who don’t currently use the space and at the same time deny access to all who currently do use the space.

• Poor consultation. Plan for South Park should have been attached to plan for North Park. South Park plan not signalled during North Park deliberations. This is appallingly undemocratic governance.

• There are already fantastic sports grounds, being the VFAA Oval 1 and the smaller Oval 2. The beauty of the South Park is its calmness and openness to all that use it. Fences and restrictions will only destroy our (and I mean OUR) community happiness.

• It is refreshing to have such a fabulous open space, without negotiating the onslaught of sports and all the chaos and disorder that brings.

• Lights at night and restrictions to park at certain times

• There are already enough areas for organised sporting activities in Bayside and not enough free parkland. These ovals already get too much sporting use in my opinion. I live nearby and strongly object to any more formal occupation by sports clubs.

• This has been a designated park since 1880, the deed of gift says "in order to provide a park for the convenience, recreation and amusement of our subjects and people" There is no mention of organised sport at all!! A still valid Royal Decree!!!

• I have lived here for 30 years and over time the places I can go to enjoy my dogs has shrunk to the point it’s not just unpleasant being a dog owner - mine and their lives are shrinking every year. It’s like I’m now a minority in my own suburb.

• Loss of dog-off leash area, traffic and parking, pavilion, fencing, loss of amenity, poor consultation process, lack of plan for overall north and south Elsternwick Park.

• The new ovals should be constructed on the existing golf course with better access off a main road to parking and a pavilion. Lights and fences can be installed and it can be link with the existing ovals. Oval 4 should be used for sport. Oval 3 dogs only.
• No evidence that the majority of residents want this at all. In fact evidence is the opposite
• Park needs to remain for the majority of rate payers and not a small group of external children
• Not inclusive of majority of Bayside residents
• Absolute devaluation of community asset house prices and destroy community
• 1. Moved to Brighton to get away from the AFL crowds, noise, pollution, traffic chaos, vandalism, drunken behaviour and not able to get public transport or even get in or out of my street in Richmond. It was unbearable.
• Taking away area I use to walk the dog off leash. Why don’t you have a part on the old golf course that’s off lease too?
• unnecessary - already many/enough ovals in the immediate area - not complimentary with the lake, animal, wildlife considerations - esp. as lake only created relatively recently
• Removal of informal open space that is well used. Parking and traffic management issues from pavilion and oval users. Detrimental impact on wildlife from noise and light pollution. Impact of formalised sport - sirens and lights on nearby houses.
• Leads to further traffic congestion in the area and parking is already quite limited, negative environmental consequences, less off leash dog space,
• loss of open space for residents; traffic conditions will become chaotic
• Unreliable research highlighting Bayside ovals are at 99% capacity, the destruction of wildlife, the obvious money grab of council and noise and pollution issues that will ensue.
• Fencing and lighting will destroy the natural feel of Elsternwick Park. We already have plenty of areas devoted to organised sport.
• Please don’t ruin our beautiful park, we don’t need more football ovals!
• I am a dog owner but this is not my concern when the ‘skate board’ area was installed there has been a continual increase of rubbish left behind every day. BCC should provide projected revenues from Clubs and the reduction in rates.
• Loss of amenity for the park, parking and access limitations (proposed changes are wholly inadequate), lighting issues, flood mitigation, potential to re-develop the former golf course with less impact on surrounding area, concerns over probity proposals
• Massive increase in traffic and we can’t even get a carpark outside our own house now!
• In the words of Cr Del Porto in 2017 on the construction of a 9 storey building, the project to develop ovals 3 and 4 will fundamentally alter this part of Bayside. Elsternwick park South is a ‘jewel’ of bayside for local residents and others.
• With the new street development, there will already be reduced parking without stretching it further. There are many close by ovals that can be used for sporting events. With this age of global warming, we need more trees not more ovals. Light pollution.
• It will turn the park into a commercial enterprise. It basically turns the park into sports fields rather than a peaceful, quiet downtime area. It would create additional noise + traffic problems. It would destroy the “nature” of the park.
• I don’t want extra traffic in the area. It will negatively impact the wildlife and the use of the park for enjoyment
• Elsternwick Park is one of very few beautiful free and open spaces. There are many sports facilities in the area, ie Peanut Farm, Elwood Park on Ormond Esplanade, and Ovals 1 and 2. Oval 2 is incredibly under-utilised, why not improve Ovals 1 and 2 and leave our space?
• By creating exclusion times (for weekend sports and after hours training) it will effectively eliminate this as an off lead area, since weekends and after hours is the only time most dog owners can access the park. Not OK. Use Oval2 and Elwood Park.
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- Too much development going on in the area as it is, reducing the amount of public space and on/off leash areas I snot conducive to the influx of development.
- Disagree with introduction to any fencing around Ovals 3 and 4.
- I don’t want the floodlights, sporting pavilions, and fencing of the open spaces, or the traffic congestion that will result from the extra sporting activities on Elsternwick Park.
- Reduces areas for dog off leash space, traffic and car parking problems, lack of master planning of north and south parts of Elsternwick Park, aging population with needs for spaces like Elsternwick Park rather than formal active open space.
- It will remove open space off lead dog areas for peak times, and at least one oval could be created in golf clubhouse area and upgrade existing oval on St Kilda St.
- I go to the park every day and I strongly object to the areas being fenced off. Installation of flood lights and the erection of the proposed pavilion.
- The park is perfect as it is. These changes will push out those who are currently using the space.
- 1. Current natural parkland is a huge advantage to residents and Council.
- Enough mayhem caused by sport as it is... and WHY two more stupid Aussie Rules ovals and not PROPER FOOTBALL square fields instead?
- The AFL is a commercial business run for a profit. The council has no business giving them any support. The part should be for all users and not taken over at times for the exclusive use of a money making enterprise.
- We are active recreational park users. We go every weekend. We walk on both ovals and use the park as one of the best dog walking park close to us. It will also spoil the scenic look of the park. There are sport ovals in the vicinity. Leave it alone!
- This area is becoming built up - which is expected. But we can please protect some gems? Elsternwick Park is a lovely space where the community can just roam, in the quiet to escape everyday noise and pressures. Please leave as is.
- Elsternwick Park is precious. Its mix of activities work. I love watching the off leash doggies have a good space to run. Please leave the lovely casual feel about the park it makes for a great place to interact with all. NO formal sports area pls.
- Best dog park in the entire area and a lovely open space. Fences and change of use total add odds with residential nature of environment. Parking impact will be hugely detrimental to residents. The proposal is extremely detrimental to local residents.
- NO to a deeply FLAWED Plan. Notice and consultation process. LACK of transparency integrity and evidence based planning indicates a STRATEGY to meet the wants of powerful moneyed team based sports, with closed door backing by Councillors.
- The existing area is Crown land and needs to be utilised 24 hours a day for the people and in particular their animals that reside in the area. Bayside Council currently has sufficient ovals for sporting activities. Canine community meet here regularly.
- This would ruin the local feel of the nearby area for families, the last thing bayside needs is more sporting facilities.
- There will be less opportunity to walk my dog and the project will eventually lead to more congestion of my neighbourhood.
- The fences will fundamentally change the way the park is used. Fencing the ovals will deter existing, non-footy, users. Increased traffic will be detrimental to the area’s livability, lowering home values. Disadvantages non-footy children sporting usage.
- This is crown land and has been set up as a passive public space for a century now. The addition of fences and lights will dramatically change the park’s usage, making an area of congestion and the fencing will change how the park is used.
- Significant loss of amenity, through less off leash dog access, increased parking congestion and increased traffic congestion. Additionally light pollution, resources strain due to increased foot traffic in non-stadium park surrounds and light pollution.
- We are one of the luckiest neighbourhoods to have an uninterrupted, magical open plan grassland used by our community each and every day... it's a central hub for hundreds of bayside residents daily. Fencing it off will disrupt this sense of community!
- The space of Elsternwick Park is widely used by the local community for so many reasons and it would be an absolute shame to destroy such a beautiful park for sporting ground reasons when there are so many underutilized sporting grounds across bayside.
- I don't support this proposal. I live in Head Street and visit the park twice daily to walk two large dogs off lead. I do not let them go near the main roads so I use the ovals all the time. The natural beauty of the park is a great joy.
- It will ruin a beautiful park which is used by many people like myself who live in flats. We dog walk, picnic, play informal sports, read, bird-watch, meet friends, star watch. The proposal would ruin a vital open vista and space for apartment dwellers.
- We love the unique space of Elsternwick Park and the strong community that is currently thriving there. I'm my experience each time sports facilities are introduced into free space it severely limits access. Our park is perfect as it is.
- The use of synthetic turf on existing ovals in Bayside is a preferred option which leaves existing users and the park untouched.
- It is currently working widely used by residents from all walks of life. Why should footy players have priorities over anyone else to access a park already well used and loved?
- The community needs green spaces like this for their overall wellbeing and for us to build relationships and form connections to our local people and area. This park has given me and many others a sense of belonging and has kept me emotionally sane.
- Dog owner not wanting to see reduced dog friendly areas or hours. Live close by and will be directly affected by traffic increase which is already a problem as we don’t have a permanent car park.
- While I believe that encouraging our community (particularly the younger members) to be involved in sport is important, team sports are not the only way to be active nor should the needs of those interested in sport dominate the rest of us.
- It will destroy the amenity, environmental beautify and community enjoyment of this place... not to mention we will be heavily restricted in when we can bring our dogs here.
- We don't need AFL or competition football in the park. It'll destroy a highly utilised park that is family and dog friendly. The green space is a great environmental benefit to Bayside residents which will be destroyed by pavilions, fences, lighting.
- It is a reduction in available off-lead dog areas. It introduces a significant noise and light pollution source. It needs a large capex injection with ongoing open costs that local rate payers foot the bill for. Make the blue area off-lead.
- This causes reduction in off-lead dog park areas and worsens parking, traffic congestion.
- Lighting, and do we really need more sports ovals? Personally I don't want any more in our area.
- Please preserve this park. It is such a beautiful wide open space with 24/7 access to residents. It benefits our wellbeing as a family with children and a dog to roam freely, have picnics, fly kites and meet other families. Please preserve this park.
- Oval 2 is always empty anyway, the creation of 3 and 4 is completely unnecessary, and would ruin the feel of the park and give much less space to the 99 percent of people who use it the most often.
- This park is highly used by dog owners - the large open space is necessary. It is a great drawcard for the community and should not be made into small football ovals and non-off lead areas. The lighting is visual pollution.
- More traffic and congestion around the park. Impacts on the tranquility of the park with lighting and noise. Ovals will be impacted with as usage turning them into bare areas. More litter in park. More council funds required to maintain this new facility.
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- Lighting during winter when we have the urban wetlands will interfere with wildlife and bring more traffic which the local roads are not suited to.
- Noise pollution, parking congestion. Buildings and structures that will impact negatively on what is currently a very valued relaxed passive park.
- I take my dog to Elsternwick Park and Peanut Farm in St Kilda which is shared by the footy teams. They train most nights/ play games weekends giving dog owners little access to the park. Couldn’t Oval 3 remain free for dogs and just develop Oval 4?
- Elsternwick Park is a people’s park, a natural space that promotes health and wellness activities for people of all ages and encourages social connection and community engagement. But this unique environment is now under eternal threat.
- The park is a fantastic natural area for all to enjoy. Organised sporting events will affect the locals and will add unwanted year round floodlights, wire fencing, and limited access to existing users of the park.
- Will see the destruction of the park and local community. Will bring heavy traffic, pollution and crowds causing a major inconvenience to residents. Any ovals should be built on the North side of the park nearby other facilities and transport.
- I have been going to this park for years and now take my grandchildren there with the dogs. Do not ruin this amazing park.
- Because it is such a unique park to have in such a dense area. Particularly as the area gets more and more high rise developments open and always accessible spaces are needed.
- Fencing the ovals and installing the light towers will reduce the off leash dog area substantially. The current space described as oval 3 and oval 4 provides a large area for dogs to play. It’s a substantial distance to the road which is critical to safety.
- Increased traffic destruction of a lovely family friendly park used by all people not just footballers.
- Too geared to sport in peak times, limiting the use by ready of community.
- I like it the way it is.
- Fenced ovals will ruin the open nature of the park.
- Placing a gate around the ovals excludes community members from using the space. Most of the people using the ovals do not reside in the bayside area. You cannot guarantee the lighting will not affect wildlife. Shame on the council.
- We already have two ovals for playing AFL (Elsternwick Oval, and Oval 2), why do we need more, that is more than enough. What a ridiculous proposal.
- It will ruin a sacred space for many residents of bay side. Sport can be played without building huge monstrosities. Don’t let this happen to this vital community area.
- need for open public spaces for informal/unstructured/unscheduled activities
- There are already many ovals with large fences around that people who do not play sport can’t use. We have a great park that everyone can use, meet friends and hang out. Once fences are put up - it is clearly not for everyone.
- There is an ever shrinking space for quiet contemplation or interaction with unmediated and scheduled nature. Organised sport has plenty of ovals that are underused like oval 1 and 2 and ovals at Elwood beach and St Kilda oval. This is a clear grab for land.
- I don’t support the proposed project because I consider it unnecessary to create organised sport arenas in a beautiful parkland area. One of the few parks in the area where the public can enjoy a lovely open space free from the noise of organised sport. NO
- Less off-lease space for dog walking; less access for local families,
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- Following a number of discussion at the engagement events at the park, the proposals still reduce the quality of the experience for current users in favour of organised sports new users, very poor indeed!
- Keeping it open for passive recreation and adh family/friends activities is what makes this park so unique. I wouldn’t want the flow on impacts that organised sport brings e.g. more rubbish, restrictions etc.
- There are few areas for people to walk their dogs in a free range atmosphere. Those who participate are over indulged for too much. Passive recreation like walking should be encouraged. I say no to increasing sporting facilities in my area around Elwood.
- According to statistics provided by Council there are already more than enough sportgrounds to cater for 2836 population. This proposed spoiling of Elsternwick Park is not necessary.
- It’s going to ruin the lifestyle for locals who visit the park daily for off leash dog walking
- I’m appalled by the way this project has developed. Initially, I genuinely believed that the public had a voice in deciding how our precious, and much lived space would be utilised. How wrong could I have been? I call corruption
- As you have stated, there are 45 ovals in 26 reserves surely that’s enough and these are operating at 99% capacity, how they currently are is fine. Why don’t you focus on making the old golf course a nice off leash Dog Park?
- Elsternwick Park south is a unique open parkland that is already very beneficially used for dog walking and other activities. The planned infrastructure will ruin the park for dog walking and we do not have a good alternative.
- The overwhelming sentiment is that adding closed off ovals to our park is not in the interests of the majority of users. A tiny minority are on a mission to push this through, to the disadvantage of the many
- Disruption to nearby houses and dog friendly areas. Sports use is very disruptive and sports facilities don’t have as much positive impact as dog friendly facilities in this community. Not to mention noise and lights for the residents surrounding the park
- In addition to decreased space and safety to dogs and their walkers this represents a loss of green space to the community; the green space will be fenced, broken by a sports building and subject to lighting poles. Green space is vital to community health
- There is already sufficient sporting fields that are trashed by football boots. Elsternwick Park should remain for ALL residents, not just the sporting minority.
- Use is then limited to sports people only!
- Detrimental effect on wildlife, local amenity
- Green open space is necessary in our over developed community
- I currently visit the park on a daily basis at different times. I see many single people with dogs talking to strangers. This is important for community. Also the thought of the open space changing with buildings and fences is sad
- This is one of the few open space parks and the feeling will be very different with sports fields and sporting events more frequent. Many families enjoy family games, kites, dogs and other activities leave it family friendly.
- Lack of community consultation. Excludes 95% of residents
- I bought a home on New Street in December 2017, part of the appeal was enjoying Elsternwick Park as a park, not living across from busy sporting grounds!
- Reasons why I don’t support the Ovals 3 @ 4 project are -
- We need more large areas of open space. We need more protection for rapidly declining native biodiversity. We need more areas not devoted to commercial interests such as sports. As permeability continues to be lost we need more areas of flood mitigation.
- Insufficient evidence to support need for more ovals. Transfers access to public space from everyone to few during peak after work/weekend hours. Passive recreation opportunities important for ageing population. Consider alternatives e.g. synthetic turf.
- Consider better use of existing ovals e.g. synthetic turf. Otherwise EP north is better location with existing car park and club house, less disruption to traffic and neighbours.
- Wonderful dog off leash and passive recreation area, organised sport will take ovals and surrounding areas during after work and weekend hours leaving unfenced areas next to busy roads for everyone else, restricting access to public space to benefit minority.
- The use of the space would suit casual social use, off-leash dog access and not restricted use and the extra expense and reduced amenity if formal sporting grounds.
- -Insufficient information provided by Council-a lot of grey area in the proposal, no convincing evidence to back up claims for need.
- There is a vibrant community of users of the park (both with and without dogs) that will be displaced if the sports proposal goes ahead, including my son and I.
- I am appalled that council is again trying to develop what they refer to as ovals 3 and 4 into football grounds with buildings and lights. As well as destroying the character there will be car chaos.
- The beauty of Elsternwick Park is its openness. The community has successfully managed to support and respect each other and their pursuits in the park. Dedicated fenced sports ovals with heavily biased use to sports teams.
- The park creates an atmosphere for the meeting of friends now and old many of whom have an interest in fitness and caring for their dogs. It would be a shame to lose this environment to the detriment of the local Brighton residents.
- Because of the negative increase in noise, traffic, fences, construction and pollution and the threat to quiet, green open space, wildlife, birds and flora and fauna. There are many quality studies on the restorative effects of nature and quiet.
- I do NOT support the project because of the loss of open space for people and their dogs, the noise, the impact of lighting on wildlife and residents, increased traffic in the area, likely increase in litter and loss of natural aesthetic of the park.
- I do in no way support the proposal for sport reactivation of open space multi used Ovals 3 and 4. Once this beautiful space is lost the heart and soul of our communities passive recreation adored community common will be gone. Please do not do this.

Yes
- Participation in sport is rapidly increasing, we need more spaces to train and for competition in both Winter and Summer. This is a great opportunity to utilise the space and get a fantastic result.
- Increasing participation numbers in cricket, particularly with increased interest from girls and women. Need for change/toilet facilities particularly for women and juniors.
- I support organised sport and this requires access to sports ovals. As population grows areas like Bayside need more sporting ovals, however in the past the number of ovals has been reduced, not incur.
- Would help with the lack of sports grounds in Bayside for all levels of weekend sport.
- The growth in female sport requires more ovals for girls to be able to participate with the same access as the boys. The growth in AFL women's game and Women's Cricket requires council to open up ground.
- There is an urgency for more ovals to meet the demand of increased sporting teams in Bayside. In particular we are encouraging girls to play football but have limited facilities to support them.

- Girls Cricket and AFL needs more ovals to provide the girls the opportunity to play large team sports and develop leadership and friendships. We need to provide the opportunity for kids to stay fit.

- As a young woman in Brighton East, we need to have more opportunities to play sport. I play cricket and Football for my local teams, however we play cricket on Wed due to the shortage of ovals.

- There is significant growth in not only AFL but cricket too. Meaning more demand for grounds and female (and spectator) friendly facilities. Cricket supports winter sports access to Elsternwick Park.

- My children are playing football with East Brighton Vampires and there are not enough facilities to support my daughter and 2 sons.

- I have 2 children and am president of a local netball club. Our kids need sporting grounds or we face a group of youth disassociated from community and potentially facing huge medical issues.

- We need more ovals for kids sport. Our kids have to travel to different grounds for home games and don’t even get to train on their home ground because there is such a high demand for kids sport.

- More space for children sport is essential.

- There are a growing number of kids wanting to play sport, we need to encourage this for health benefits and social benefits. More grounds are needed to accommodate this growth.

- More outdoor playing sporting areas are required in Bayside, our children are ready and cannot be ignored. We must move forward and acknowledge the request from many Bayside families.

- We need more sporting ovals from East Brighton football club and cricket clubs in Brighton area too. Both my children play in football and cricket teams. Elsternwick Park is underutilised.

- Project is important to accommodate growth in the participation of sports.

- We need more sport grounds for training and playing to enable organised sport like football and cricket to attract and retain young people of all ages.

- My daughter plays footy and cricket and uses this space for both and so does her school! We don’t have enough ovals now so take these away and they are left with nowhere to play!

- I am a women’s football coach for junior football team, we are so desperate for extra playing fields for training and playing. This is so important for the sport and for youth to stay active!!

- We need to support and encourage any interest in support, in an age of high technology use, sport is a great alternative.

- Anything that encourages kids to play sport is a must.

- I coach AFL and Cricket at a junior level. With the addition of girls teams, ground availability is a challenge.

- Not enough grounds for growing number of kids and female participation.

- The number of teams have grown enormously, especially women’s / girls football and cricket. There are NOT ENOUGH grounds to cater for this explosion in participants.

- My family uses Elsternwick Park (ovals 3 and 4) for cricket and football year-round. We live ‘just over the highway’ in Elsternwick and the Park is the best and widest open space available for us to use.
- I have three children (including two daughters) who are keen sports people and would like to have local facilities for them to use.
- I support this as we need more sporting grounds to nurture the development of our children. We should be creating more, no decommissioning them, particularly and density for living increases.
- We need more sporting venues to cater for the many kids and families playing sport. It's healthy and community focused and fosters a sense of belonging that can't be underestimated.
- Sufficient sports grounds are vital to maintaining a healthy community.
- Given the obesity epidemic we need to ensure our kids have access to all sorts of team sport and outdoor activity. So important for mental health also.
- Support girls footy, boys footy, and cricket.
- Sport is too often overlooked with parks and is harming kids participation in sport.
- To encourage participation in sports for all ages and genders.
- My daughter has started playing football and I can see how much she is enjoying it. We need more space so that more and more demand for sports fields inclusive for girls sport will continue to grow.
- Local sports teams need additional ovals to train on and play matches.
- Support junior football.
- As much as possible needs to be done to create opportunity for every child in bayside to be able to play sport.
- I support anything that will see more kids enjoying sport. My 8 year old has joined the vampires this year and we have witnessed the incredible impact this is making on the young kids in his team.
- The grounds are essential.
- In this technological age, the importance of providing outdoor sporting activities to keep our kids activity and participating in sport is more important than ever. We can't miss this opportunity.
- Bayside needs to accommodate the growing number of young kids wanting to participate in sporting activities.
- Bayside needs more parks, recreational areas and sporting facilities. We do not want to lose the existing sports fields.
- Experiencing shortage of footy ground for our daughters.
- To maintain an active connected youth in this highly technological world is paramount to future good health.
- Growing numbers of children playing sport should be encouraged. If there are not enough ovals then this space makes sense to develop.
- We have 3 boys who play both Football and Cricket and often use Elsternwick Park. Unfortunately the lack of change room facilities make it less comfortable.
- As part of the committee for a local cricket club, we are quickly running out of grounds for our junior teams. More grounds allows for greater participation.
- Children's sport is vital to the community, already dog walkers have taken their space and let their dogs overrun the grounds. Our kids are more important.
- As a parent of two children I support this project as a community our local sporting clubs need sporting grounds and facilities. Thank You.
- We need more junior sport ovals.
We need more parks in the area to allow the growing number of kids to play sports on. The shortage of sporting facilities in the area is enormous. Kids can't train!

So now, sport fields for the number of junior's wanting to participate, particularly girls and young women, need to be expanded. Our girls' cricket program has exploded but we need bigger facilities.

We also need more parks within the community, particularly within a walking distance of people's homes. We should be encouraging as much participation in junior sport as possible.

We should be encouraging an early involvement by plain owners. We are older now than we have no direct self-interest. The priority use of this community space should be encouraged for our kids.

In football, particularly for girls, where we need to have more facilities to ensure that this growth in our kids, we need to have more, not more access to quality sporting facilities within Bayside. Such activities are key to developing our community and encouraging people to be active.

Sport is critical to community and youth. Participation in sport is rising, and yet we need to still see inequality of access, a rising level of obesity across populations, and higher urban density. Sport is a key to increasing access to quality sporting facilities within Bayside. Such activities are key to developing our community and encouraging people to be active.

With the increase in sport, particularly girls in sport, particularly girls and young women, and encouragement to be active, particularly girls in sport, we need more facilities to ensure that this growth in our kids.

As a parent with active children, I am concerned that there are not enough sporting fields at all levels to meet the needs of the families.

Junior sport is critical to the community and more people are being involved in sport, specifically girls, but adult sport is important too. Now is not the time to provide space for active community use.

The population growth in the Bayside area is growing rapidly.
- Numbers of participants at sporting clubs have increased dramatically putting added pressure on scheduling of usage for existing grounds. Participation in organized sport should be encouraged.
- It is imperative that the community has adequate sporting/rec facilities to support our growing community’s needs.
- Better facilities are needed to increase safe participation in sports and reduce childhood obesity.
- We need more sporting facilities to meet the needs of our children
- We need to support sport for our youths particularly the growth in women’s sport
- Well the cricket club I play for. Needs more grounds to support the growth of the club and community.
- The growth in women’s sports and the support for junior sports is primary to my concerns. It is unacceptable to restrict such activities which promote healthy lifestyles and participation in sports.
- My children and relatives play sport in Bayside - all children need the opportunity to be involved in physical activity and quality venues are vital. It benefits the whole community.
- We need increase exercise and make sure we keep a keen eye on obesity, kids and adults need to active to stay healthy. Public spaces cannot be taken away.
- Children should be encouraged to participate in team sport not told you can’t play because we don’t have enough space when clearly we do!!
- Growth driven by active children is well worth the effort!
- Yes support the ovals to ensure more recreational space for families, locals, visitors and all. Wellbeing, health, fitness and sporting of all ages and future of our communities
- Engagement in sport is one of the most important things in the healthy development of our children (physically and mentally). We need more available space to cater for growth in girls participation.
- Need more sporting grounds for kids
- Need more sporting facilities in Bayside as long as they are not club specific
- Sporting ovals are critical for the health and wellbeing of our community, especially our children.
- To provide extra grounds to support the massive growth of kids sport.
- Both junior Cricket and football need more grounds to play and cater for growing demand for organised sport
- In times when childhood obesity is at an all-time high we want to be encouraging less children to play sport because there aren’t
- Childhood obesity is at an all-time high so we should be encouraging more kids to play sport rather than asking clubs to take less registrations because we already don’t have enough sporting grounds!
- Extra sporting fields are needed
- Due to the growth in football and cricket clubs the grounds are required. Bayside Council insisting clubs reduce junior member numbers is ridiculous - sport should be encouraged, not discouraged.
- We need more ovals to allow more sorts teams, especially female.
- There is an embarrassing lack of sports grounds available in the Bayside area. The recent request by the Council for junior clubs to reduce the number of teams was a disgrace.
- Because as a parent of an obese child, who has used football as a way to become a slim teenager, it is absolutely necessary to encourage junior sport for social and team sport reasons. Lifetime friend

- We need to maintain the sports grounds so that young people have access to sporting facilities.

- I believe they are a very important part of engaging the young local community in positive activities.

- To facilitate the continued growth of sport in the local area. This not provides boys, girls, men and women with the opportunity to exercise, but also the chance to be part of the local community.

- So that there are more options for training and matches for our local sports teams. Children are starting sport earlier, along with girls AFL teams means we have a higher demand for sporting ovals.

- Kids need sports ovals. Facilities are already threadbare in Bayside and we need to make sure resident families have maximum access. Does Bayside Council stand for thin dogs and fat kids?

- There is a dire need for sports grounds with the burgeoning girls football competitions. Already there are multiple teams training on substandard grounds with substandard lighting at the same time.

- Organised sports for children is one of the most important community infrastructure needs in our region. Health and learning benefits through sport and coming together of local residents are vital.

- With the growth of junior sport, in particular AFL football and Cricket, we desperately need access to more grounds to train and play matches on.

- Being actively involved in junior sports with three children it’s obvious that additional sport and training facilities are required in Bayside. I fully support the re-activation of Ovals 3 and 4.

- Elsternwick Park ovals 3 and 4 represent a unique open space facility which can accommodate active and passive recreation, with limited suitable space available its use should be maximised and so activated.

- Another place for kids to be active, no trainer for me considering child obesity rates

- I support the redevelopment of the ovals due to the rise in popularity of kids’ sport, in particular the big increase in girls participating in football.

- Great use of space

- Having 4 kids grow up in the bayside I think it is imperative that all kids have a place to be active and be involved in sporting teams.

- Need more facilities for sports

- Local community sport support is essential in the promotion of healthy lifestyles. We must promote active engagement, particularly for young children for social interaction and skill development

- I feel that there is a need to support to growing sporting interests of young and old. I object to the local residence opposing it as they have ample open space and now have the golf course too

- As relative new comers, my girls have developed friendships and skills through the sporting activities held on these ovals. Their existence has assisted with our entire community experience here.

- To ensure children have access to sporting facilities that support their health and wellbeing.

- More kids want to get into sport/Childhood obesity is at its most significant level ever and research suggests that this generation may be the first to have a shorter life span than their parents!

- My kids have recently commenced playing for the EB Vampires. I am extremely concerned about the shortage of available grounds for future use by the club. This is prime real estate pals put it 2 good use
• I encourage the participation of winter sports in Bayside and have 3 children involved in football and the use of the ovals are so needed.
• We need more grounds for children sports. There are not enough grounds for the amount of kids that want to play
• Sport participation in the area is continuing to grow, particularly in AFL for both genders. There is an urgent need for the appropriate facilities to support this growth from grass roots to seniors
• Girls’ sport should be given the same priority as boys’ sport.
• Improved use of park space to assist with growth of children’s sport.
• There is a growing need for more ovals to support the growth of organised sport. This is good for kids and the community.
• need more ovals for girls football and cricket
• Kids need to play sport more than designer dogs need to run around.
• Vampires have enormous numbers of new footballers, especially girls that need to be catered for.
• Our sporting clubs and grounds are full. We should be encouraging kids to play sport not restricting them.
• Given the continued increase in participation in kids sport, facilities and space need to be allocated to ensure and provide for future growth
• Provide more areas where families, children and the community can practice sports and stay active.
• Childhood obesity is a growing problem and many clubs are at capacity and can’t take new members without more playing fields
• We need to promote sports for young people as obesity levels are sky rocketing. It is a no brainer.
• Participation levels in kids sport are growing and more spaces are required for competition. With kids playing more sport, the overall health of our community will continue to be enhanced.
• I support the project as it will enable less congestion at sporting grounds around the area. This may assist in gaining more organised sporting clubs and leagues. This may create a better sport area.
• More grounds are required for junior/girls sport. As a female sportsperson not able to play the sport I love as grounds were not available, I don’t wish this for my daughter’s.
• The obesity epidemic is an ongoing issue and an increase in available sports grounds are a move in the right direction. A sense of community that comes from kids sport is invaluable
• With open green space hard to come by the creation of new sporting infrastructure will enable the opportunity for additional participants to play community sport to enhance their health and wellbeing
• Bayside needs more sports ovals so people in the area can stay active. It’s such a shame the golf course will become a park instead of sports fields, therefore it’s crucial ovals 3 and 4 are reactivated
• I believe the community will benefit from having more sporting ovals.
• How is it fair to not let kids play sport due to not having enough facilities when there is a perfectly good area to increase the sports facilities?
• Great for our little kids playing local footy
• Sport is a wonderful community concept and we need to enhance it. We have limited available grounds and this reactivation would go a long way to improving this
• Expansion of Vampires Junior Football Club - a passionate, growing community sporting base
- This is a great idea. There is not enough grounds in the wider Bayside area. For the council to instruct local sporting clubs to take no new registrations for 2018 is an embarrassment.
- To benefit our local community
- Not enough sporting facilities to cater for population especially netball courts.
- Community sport is important and is a nice area. Plenty of dog area and tracks also, would be a great mix
- Kids sporting teams are running out of space to play and train, especially with the amazing growth of girls footy. We need our kids to be active and team sport is a great way to set them up for health
- Bayside sports clubs need space for training and competitions.
- I support the activation of the oval as there is a great need for more playing fields to train on.
- Not enough sport grounds for the amount of sport. Some grounds in poor condition. However I think most sport ovals should not be off leash for dogs as our kids come home after with dog poo on them!
- Growth in football participation and girls’ football in particular. Even if no additional boys teams are formed, the growth in the girls teams will mean that the Vampires need additional grounds to train
- I support the growth of women’s, men’s and junior sport.
- Sports fields have to be a benefit for local fitness and health
- In this digital age it’s paramount our community provides our young youth the opportunity to play team sports, this will add the greatest of value to our community now and for future generations.
- There are too many children interested in footy (boys and girls) too be accommodated in the current ovals
- Our children girls and boys need facilities to play. Recreation is for all residents
- There is a real need for more sports grounds in the northern part of Bayside.
- Need more sports grounds for kids. Help prevent child obesity
- There are insufficient resources for growth in participation of sport, whether child or adult, male or female. This can be balanced with others’ concerns, like dog owners.
- Will be great for the growing expansion of AFL and Soccer
- I have two sons and I firmly believe in children participating in sport and other outdoor activities. In this digital era, organised sport is vital for children’s physical and mental well-being.
- Great for the kids, dogs and supporting the growth and development of sports
- To meet the demands of junior sport and continued support of upgrading facilities to accommodate both boys and girls.
- Elsternwick Park South end use to have 4-6 ovals not the two that are there now. Playing sport on hot days is not good for the health of players and improvements are badly needed.
- There is currently a huge lack of sporting facilities within Bayside, resulting in a lack of sporting opportunities for all bayside residents which is both disappointing and concerning.
- There are not enough ovals in Bayside for our girls and boys to play football.
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- With the recent growth in girls AFL and other sport, it is vital that Bayside councils overcome the challenges and do everything it can to provide more facilities.
- There is a really great walking track at the park already that dog walkers can utilise. The ovals have great potential to support more sport.
- The growth of sport, particularly girls sport in bayside means more grounds are needed for winter sport. Please encourage active participation and help reduce childhood obesity.
- I play for EBVJFC and we need the space as my team (U16 girls) trains with only half of little hurl which is not enough to sufficiently be prepared for our game.
- Support. Need to ensure equal opportunities for all regardless of ability gender and age. Currently due to generational systemic underfunding participation is biased towards males with ability.
- There is definite need for more sporting grounds with the increase in girls boys playing football and it should be encouraged and supported.
- We need more facilities like these. Great idea!
- For the future AFL games my son will be playing!
- Sport is a great way to bring the community together and teach children about benefits of active lifestyle while having social interactions.
- Community members need sporting facilities for health and crime prevention
- needed for kids’ sport activities
- We require more sporting ovals for kids to play junior football. Important social fabric of community. Encourage outdoor recreation and participation. Involvement in team sport. Fight junior obesity.
- More families are calling Bayside home and children’s sport is not only good for health, fitness and friendship but important for community. These facilities would actively allow and promote this.
- Hurlingham ovals are already at capacity and there is a need for additional facilities.
- Good for the community
- Our community needs more playing fields to cater for the growth in community sport. We need to ensure there are enough spaces for now and in the future. Sport will increasingly be what ties our community
- My Daughter plays AFL footy and needs a place to play. Sport for kids is more important than letting dogs run around park and turning it into one big toilet.
- So many kids in Brighton and all need opportunity to play sport locally and convenient locations for busy parents.
- Need for community recreation facilities is urgent - there is no greater community engagement than through sport in our communities. We can share this space with other recreational pursuits
- Given the number of children involved in sport on the weekend it is essential that the ovals are available for use. Families come out and support their children and interact with each other
- Getting children outside playing sport is a terrific part of Australian life, we need ovals to facilitate this and with more and more women playing football we also need to be able to cater for them.
- It is essential out of season children training grounds whilst their home ground is dedicated to either cricket, football, soccer. All clubs use the park with respect.
- Bayside children require more sporting grounds as participation is increasing year by year. Organised sport helps build relationships, community and allows kids to be more active and counter obesity.
- Ovals needs to AFL Junior games, Gets kids active and playing team sport
- My children play sports and having sufficient facilities is important.
- Big need for more year round ovals Make #4 full sized synthetic allowing multi-sport and increased use Floodlighting to competition standard Don’t impact on flood retardation New oval in golf course
- I’m a Bayside resident (Brighton) and believe activating the ovals will be a great development for the area. Sports participation is an important part of all communities for children and families.
- I support activation. It keeps kids involved and participating in sports. They need somewhere to play. Still want space to remain a shared space for dog walkers but activation is key.
- With increase participation by females in all team sports we are suffering from a shortage of appropriate facilities in many areas of Melbourne, including Bayside.
- There are not enough ovals for kids to play sport on in the local area. Some teams are having to play on weekdays due to lack of amenity. These ovals could help bridge that gap.
- There is a constant shuffling of playing venues particularly for girls cricket and soccer with venue changes at the last minute due to not enough ovals being available over the weekends.
- It’s important to support youth and sport activities so this generation don’t fall into bad habits and instead getting regular physical activity especially to help balance a challenging everyday life that they juggle.
- I applaud the Council’s decision to consider the reactivation of Ovals 3 and 4. With the significant growth in team sports in Bayside, Elsternwick Park can play an important role in facilitating and supporting this growth and thereby play a critical role in
- Not enough desirable sports grounds in the area.
- It is essential for kids sports activities
- It’s a very important facility for the growing numbers of children participating in sport. The more facilities we can provide locally, the better the chance of healthy, engaged children as they move into their teen years and on.
- Development of AFL football facilities is required to serve prolonged demand.
- Originally Elsternwick Park had 7 active ovals used for cricket, rugby and soccer. This was culled to two grounds, contributing to the current lack of grounds. Public toilets closer to 3 and 4 for CURRENT sports. Public toilet on Bent Ave is impracticable.
- We live in Head Street and use the park daily, with my 3 kids playing club sports both winter and summer. They train there when they can, and with more kids playing sport that require ovals, Brighton doesn’t have enough ovals to accommodate them all properly.
- Brighton Grammar strongly supports additional sports grounds in Bayside for overflow usage for cricket/football training and competition
- There is becoming a shortage of outdoor sporting facilities for our children. It’s important to encourage kids to be active and healthy and that requires outdoor spaces.
- Night lighting for evening use and safety would be greatly appreciated.
- The building of a sports pavilion in the area is paramount to our children’s progress in developing and growing sports like AFL.
- Bayside does not have enough footy grounds for demand.
- More space required for ever expanding clubs teams.
- The ovals are important for the growth of the football being played by girls and boys in the area and is a must.
- Growth in interest in football and cricket from children, in particular girls. Clubs cutting down on numbers is NOT the answer!
- As a coach at the vampires and a parent of 2 children under 10 living and schooling in Bayside. I witness the imperative we own, as a Community, to support active participation rates in junior sport. This reality is reinforced by the frequent reporting of
- I have lived in Brighton all my life and recently moved down to Beaumaris. The ovals around Brighton have become completely overcrowded and there is a demand for more. I use the park daily with my grandkids.
- With increasing levels of childhood obesity, depression and mental illness sport is proven to improve lives. Without more ovals in winter the Vampires will be forced to turn children away denying them chances to build resilience thru healthy minds bodies.
- The rise of high density apartments in adjoining Bayside suburbs like McKinnon will only exasperate the shortage of football ovals for Clubs like the Vampires. Are we prepared to deny children the opportunity to play sport due to poor planning?
- Sport in our youth pays back with tangible participation in both society and community activities, inspiring growth and development in education/career paths and reduced consumption of Health/Social Services at all levels. Sporting ovals-active participation.
- With limited space it is very important to take every opportunity to create more usable ovals for all the people (and especially kids) that live in the area, we don't need parks for dogs, we need active sports grounds with best practice lighting.
- Sporting organisations like the Vampires, can demonstrate their reputation, experience and success in delivering positive outcomes for their young athlete, and the Community and deserve the opportunity or oval access to be assessed on their merits.
- I cannot accept that the emergent health challenges in our children and the role of sport to help address these issues is a secondary priority for Council. Balance and unity needs to be restored to the debate.
- Dogs should not be allowed off leash adjacent to the grounds when sport is being played. Too often then jump on kids, urinate on their Kit, and run onto the field of play. Should be ON LEASH within 20 meters of the boundary. 739:963
- More local facilities needed for junior sports.
- We need more grounds for children to play sport on. Council should promote healthy habits through sport.
- Encouraging sport and recreation within Bayside sends an important community message.
- More grounds for local sports particularly girls’ matches are desperately needed.
- Kids need more and better facilities
- I support the project. The growth in junior sport within Bayside continues at a very strong rate. The participation rate for girls continues to be extremely strong and growth in male participation remains strong. Land locked councils need more facilities.
- I think investing in sport and keeping our communities fit and active is extremely important.
- Growth in football participation and girl’s football in particular. Even if no additional boys teams are formed the growth in the girls teams will mean that the Vampires need additional ovals to train on and play matches.
- My daughter plays football and we need more ovals for girls football matches and training.
- There is not enough sporting ovals in bayside. Opening these gives a chance for junior and women sport to prosper as. There will be plenty of open space for dog walking when the wetlands are opened up. With the growth of units living ovals like this are nee.
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- I'm part of a local footy and cricket club and we struggle to get access to suitable sports venues/facilities. I think this is ridiculous in this age of challenge to get kids involved in outdoor sports!
- My children play football. We need the ovals for football training. I think it is more important that children get exercise than dogs. Dogs can be walked on footpaths and play in their own backyards. If you have no back yard then don't buy a dog.
- We need more sporting ovals for the constant growth of sport in our community
- We are zoned for a bayside school and our daughter goes to local football and cricket clubs. Health and wellbeing for all should be a major community concern. Activating the ovals is an easy win for the council - get and keep our youth active and busy.
- There is a great lack of sporting facilities for my daughter who plays Under 14 girls football. Losing the golf course oval option was devastating. Estermick 3 and 4 are a once in many generations. Don't miss the opportunity. Make a difference. Please.
- I support children having access to local grounds to play sport. Encouraging an active healthy lifestyle from a young age is important. Young women in AFL and cricket is on the increase and clubs need the space to accommodate the ever growing interest in women
- We need more grounds for our kids growing football club. Hurlingham Park can't wear all the games and we would prefer to stay close to home to ensure large families can participate in all sports
- Sporting grounds are scarce and more are needed to accommodate greater participation. The plan also looks to balance existing use of the facilities, which is important. As a dog owner, I would be disappointed if the current off leash area was removed.
- Due to the increased participation of girls' sport. But, more than anything, netball courts are needed and required.
- Demand for more sports ground is growing due to increased participation in children's sports. We need to support that growth
- Desperately in need of formal sporting facilities
- Our footy club, vampires and our cricket club Cluden needs extra space to play sport. This oval is exceptionally convenient and allows the little ones to use the parks whilst the kids are playing sports.
- Sport ground usage
- Demand for decent sporting facilities for the young people of Bayside is high already and growing, especially with the advent of women's AFL teams. There is scarcely a better investment the council could make in the future of the district than this.
- Get kids playing / active. More and more need it.
- Our children play sport in Bayside and compared with other areas where we play away games, our grounds are substandard and overcrowded. We need more playing fields
- Two of my daughters play football for E Brighton Vampires. Girls need better change room facilities as well.
- We need more ovals and sport areas for our children
- There are not enough ovals for sport. The Government are advertising for women to stay in sport. We need more space to be able to do this.
- I have 2 daughters and want them to be able to continue to play sport. More sporting fields are clearly needed. We have a great opportunity now to make that happen.
- Need local opportunities for kids and adults to participate in local sport. Important for the community
- There is a lack of sporting grounds and facilities for the current demand and future growth
- People need ovals you play sport in this age of obesity epidemic.
- Why has bayside council not catered for the explosion of people playing sport in this area? We have had no new ovals built this century yet numbers have more than doubled. Every other precinct you visit for AFL games have new grounds and club rooms.
- With the increase in women's/girl's sport and sport for all ages, the increase in demand for facilities has increased. There are insufficient good quality ovals to meet the demand. Encourage our community to get outside and play sport in the fresh air.
- It's a great balance of space and also the need for more sporting grounds is paramount. Without these sporting grounds the future of our kids sport could be lost. There are a number of parents that WILL NOT continue to drive long distances for sport
- We need as many sporting grounds available to our community as possible - especially with the emergence of girls' footy - all sporting groups need places to train and compete.
- There is a desperate shortage of sporting ovals in the bayside area for our young people.
- We do not have enough ovals to support BBQCRC and surrounding clubs. As a committee member and resident with 3 boys, this is paramount to me.
- Growth in football participation and girls' football in particular. Even if no additional boys teams are formed the growth in the girls teams will mean that the Vampires need additional ovals to train on and play matches. Cricket is suffering an even worse drought.
- Bayside needs more sports grounds to allow for the increased numbers of children playing soccer/football and other sports.
- Not enough sporting facilities in the area to support growing participation. Conversion of Elsternwick Golf Course into open public space ignores majority of ratepayers' wishes.
- Bayside Council be pro-active. Address the alarming rise in disenfranchised youth and play station fanatics. Community sport brings us together, no matter the cultural background. Bayside got Elst Park North horribly wrong. Please think and act for all.
- Due to the growth in cricket, AFL and soccer participation and in particular girls' sport. Just like most sporting clubs in Bayside, we are in desperate need of additional sporting grounds along with developed pavilions for our junior teams.
- Sport is essential to a healthy community. Great for kids and families.
- I support the reactivation as I have young kids that play football. We would like to be able to attend games in the future within our area rather than travelling outside.
- More people obtaining access to green corridor more o al.
- Elsternwick Park is a sports park and we definitely need more sports facilities. There are ample parks already for walking, dogs etc. It is time to do something for sport and get people using these areas which have very few people there most of the time.
- There is a growing shortage of sporting facilities throughout Bayside.
- Need more sports grounds in the area, especially for juniors. Current grounds are overcrowded.
- The demand on sporting grounds in bayside has become such that grounds are in poor condition due to overuse and as a result, clubs are limiting teams. Additional sports grounds are required now let alone in the future.
- Inadequate supply of AFL ovals to accommodate for current AFL participants, let alone future proofing the area to accommodate for the growth of traditional football and explosion of female football. The under utilised ovals 3 and 4 are vital to our game.
- Growth in footy for girls means need more oval space; Bayside lacks open space; kids benefit from club sport and physical activity so it's a win for public health; participation in sport is healthy for kids. Positive body image and sense of capability.
- It is important for junior sport to be available for both sexes and all age groups and there are not enough sporting grounds available. This is important for the wellbeing of all people!!!
- Population and participation is increasing. More sporting grounds are needed
- Sport brings the community together
- I am involved in boys and girls junior sport and I live in bayside. We simply don't have enough space to train and play to keep up with demand. I am also a dog owner - there are plenty of places to walk my dog in bayside which I use regularly.
- I support all sports to keep kids socially and physically active in the community.
- There are currently insufficient and poorly maintained sporting facilities in Bayside for kids sport. Bayside is a great area for families but our sporting facilities are very inferior compared to neighbouring councils.
- We have a growing community of kids needing space for sports activities. Football and Soccer are great activities for kids to get out and away from TV and computers. Our infrastructure need to support that. Too much building has destroyed parks in past.
- Lack of ovals for all sports in general in bayside. Growth in all sports due to population growth over time. Ovals currently in use need investment to bring them up to a standard. Most ovals in bayside are being overused.
- Lack of sporting facilities for kids
- I have twin girls and there are not enough grounds, especially noted is soccer
- Sports clubs build stronger and healthier communities and sporting clubs need sports fields. We have a dog and are already spoiled for choice with foreshore and Elsternwick Park. Our kids, meanwhile have nowhere nearby to play. sport
- We need council to take the needs of families and children in the Bayside area seriously by providing appropriate sporting facilities instead of copping out by telling clubs to cut the number of junior teams and parents to send their kids to other council
- More sporting ovals particularly for girls are vital. Soccer should also be included. Thanks
- Bayside desperately requires more sports ovals and demand is only increasing. Encouraging all sport for all ages and providing appropriate SAFE grounds (without dog dug holes and faeces) should be a high priority commitment of the Bayside Council.
- We need more additional grounds, to give more opportunities to younger athletes
- Due to the growth in Soccer participation and in particular girl's sport we need additional sporting grounds along with developed pavilions for our junior teams.
- There is a need for more sporting grounds in Bayside, disappointed Soccer was not considered given the participation numbers and pressure on existing facilities.
- Junior Football require more ovals to keep kids active and encourage more participation, especially young girls
- Girls need a home ground to train and play and encourage girls to play sport. Our daughter plays for Bayside United who don't have a home ground and makes it challenging for the club and parents - we need council help make it easier for girls play sport
- Wanting to create more opportunities for kids sport - particularly girls but please consider soccer as well
- We have witnessed such a growth in winter sport particularly girls and a loss in some ovals. We desperately need flow on options. I currently play sport at Sillothoe reserve which was deemed useless after heavy rain. We can't afford to lose more grounds.
- I support the project because my children play soccer and we have struggled for over 10 years to have access to adequate playing fields. Please think of soccer pitches as a priority in Bayside! Just open your eyes.
- More sporting facilities are needed for area youth. Girls are particularly impacted by the lack of facilities. Girls Soccer should be considered as it is not only a great team sport for girls but an international game unlike AFL.
• Disappointed that girls soccer wasn’t an option
• There are very few opportunities to develop new sports fields especially with regard to female participation and Elsternwick Park is certainly one of those. We need to consider opportunities for all children to develop a healthy attitude to exercise.
• Not enough sporting grounds in Bayside - especially for junior girls
• Please don’t let this vocal minority deprive residents of much needed sporting facilities! Dog owners (like myself) and sport can co-exist!!! We now have twice the space - there is room for all
• There are insufficient grounds to cater for all who wish to participate. If the community values health and well-being, then we should be able to cater for all age groups and have a strategy for growth. I am disappointed that soccer is not catered for.
• This is the perfect opportunity where Bayside Council can really make a difference to girls sport mainly soccer by activating both ovals. It is important that the community actively promote and encourage sport particularly girls soccer.
• Supports the growth of bayside area. In addition we have children who as they get older will be using the facilities.
• We need more space for all sports we have plenty of park space and the golfers have been robbed of their space
• As Head of Sport at Star of the Sea College, it is incredibly difficult to locate soccer and football fields ovals to meet the demand of the young women now coming through the College. We need safe, official, purposeful facilities in the area for all to use
• Open Park spaces are a great way to bring to community together be it to socialise whilst walking dogs, exercise and ovals for those to participate in team sports. They should be inclusive of everyone.
• If Bayside is to be a leader in supporting the sporting and healthy lifestyle interests of boys and girls, then we require space and venues fit to be able to cater for the increasing number of participants. Girls/Women’s Football is the most relevant one
• There has been huge growth in participation numbers, particularly in girls sport. It is vital these efforts are not nullified by lack of ground given the positive benefits of sport to both mental and physical well-being as well as to the community.
• Provides opportunity for a broader cross section of people. Girls sport not a priority when it should be
• Yes for use of all for children, youth, adults for all recreation and sporting activities of all kind. Don’t limit to footy and cricket
• This is a brilliant way to bring more sport into the Bayside area, especially for children.
• Our daughters are members of the fabulous Sandringham soccer club. We are in desperate need of alternative grounds now that the sandy college fields are not available for our use.
• Disappointed that soccer has not been included in the use of these ovals
• Increase in female participation in particular girls 8-18. Also desperate for more netball courts. These are required at Elsternwick as well. Just as critical.
• I am a dad with two daughters who both love and play soccer. My youngest is part of U12 Bayside United (girls) WNPL team. She was selected from club level and the girls train 3 nights a week plus game on weekends. Serious commitment.
• More sporting fields are required by children in this area. Am assuming dog waste will be managed accordingly.
• Due to the lack of facilities for sport, in particular junior sport. Soccer, football and cricket are all lacking in fields and pavilions needed to support the growth in participation, including strong female participation which should be encouraged.
• Much needed facilities / grounds for female sport particularly soccer
For ALL children to have the opportunity to participate in sporting activities.

Bayside is definitely in need of more sports grounds...it would be better if soccer was included as AFL has been receiving a lot of money, resources and support from VIC government already.

There are not enough sporting facilities in Bayside. The submission fails to mention: soccer (or netball). The closest all weather pitch is Kingston and that seems to be limited. Maybe have a look at Shepparton - part of this would be great.

ABC Growth in football participation and girls’ football in particular. Even if no additional boys teams are formed the growth in the girls teams will mean that the Vampires need additional ovals to train on and play matches. ABC Cricket is suffering an eve

We live locally (Foote St) with young family and big need for sporting facilities. Nothing proposed has any impact on current use. Local family strongly in support.

Soccer for girls needs more grounds

It is critical that we support our community sport and we need these ovals for sporting activities.

With added population and the encouragement of sport for all ages we need to manage open space for all people. Informal open doo

An absolute must. Councils are stopping kids being active. Sport should be encouraged and ovals supplied. All schools in the area will benefit from more ovals to choose from. The trees that were planted are great but they conflict with kids playing sport

Activation of these ovals will enable our kids the future generations the opportunity to join and play for a local club. Asking the local clubs to restrict teams/numbers is not acceptable, especially in the generation

I support more playing fields in Bayside to help continue the promotion of sport, active kids and places for communities to connect

I am a umpire with the VFA and with the strong growth of junior football and women football needs additional grounds also the 2 cricket grounds would also benefit players the more people we can get playing sport the better

Many kids, especially girls playing AFL can train and play as much as they want due to the lack of sporting facilities locally. Australian kids have high obesity rates, more sport is directly linked to better population health outcomes.

Great for sporting participation. Lighting makes the park safer. Currently overrun by dogs and there is dog waste everywhere. Will make park safer and better particularly for women’s sport who currently have limited facilities to play on.

To keep dog people happy make north part of old golf course leash free. We need as much access to sporting grounds as possible. Will benefit cricket as well. Good job

Sporting facilities required to encourage youth participation in sport including soccer facilities

Great for sports participation (particularly women) as there are nowhere near enough facilities. The park is underutilised and used just by dogs!

Lighting not an issue as houses far away - the ones located on the park used to be parkland before!

Not enough sports grounds for locals. We need more, benefits the community and young kids who don’t have sport at school

Changing room facilities are badly needed for sport. As the population grows we need more sports grounds. As a dog walker, lights on the grounds during winter will make the surrounding area safer for walking through the park at night

We need more sporting facilities for football and cricket. Elsternwick Park once had seven ovals for a variety of sport. Fences are badly needed for the grounds as dog walkers regularly walk across the ground during games, disrupting matches

Girls need appropriate facilities to change/play sport in a safe environment. Park is to open to those on the street and can be dangerous
- The proposal provides a fair balance between sport and pets. Lights at night for sport will allow me to walk my dog with the glow of lights around the park. We also won't have to see cricketers get changed in public during summer if there is a pavilion.

- It is great that sporting facilities will be upgraded. We should have a smaller third ground built for soccer. There is plenty of space for sport and dogs. The opinions of the noisy minority who hate sport should be discounted.

- We need more football facilities for girls. We need a place where we can change and a ground with decent lighting. A fenced oval is a must so that dogs don't run on the ground and collide with players or even attack players.

- Extra facilities needed at this park for sporting purposes. Already enough dog walking space.

- We need a proper pavilion at Elsternwick Park, along with boundaries around the 2 ovals. I fully support this proposal!

- Highest level of national competition BUT cannot get A HOME PITCH in BAYSIDE. We need more facilities for elite women and men's soccer players IN BAYSIDE. Bayside United currently have to play and train outside bayside. Train in Chelsea. This is crazy.

- There is much demand for sporting grounds in Bayside. Facilities at Elsternwick Park South are inadequate if not non-existent. A pavilion and protection for participants and spectators is a must and is long overdue. Improving facilities benefits all.

- Access to community sport for Bayside children is essential for their physical and dental health, develops their sense of community and is a great boost to social cohesion for the kids and their primary and extended families. Please go for it.

- An excellent idea to embrace sport to both adult and Youth alike in the area. Controlled boundaries will make a much more secured environment for both sport and dog walking participants.

- we need more ovals for the increasing children who play AFL

- I think it is paramount to give kids a way to go outdoor and practising sport rather than stay at home playing with their electronic device. "Men's sana in corpore sana" is still valid. I am disappointed soccer is not listed as I have a daughter playing !

- Kids playing sport, not getting into trouble.

- A vibrant sports culture is great for the community,

- As a minimum, there is no doubt at least some toilets to use is definitely required.

- Sporting clubs are vital to the health and wellbeing of the community. Bayside is desperately short of facilities. This is a one-time opportunity for the council to provide much needed facilities for residents and ratepayers.

- The more sporting ovals available in Bayside the better as all sports are short on facilities. Disappointing there is no proposed additional soccer pitches.

- Project is well thought out and meets the needs of a broad group of people

- This is an excellent opportunity to increase the capacity of the sport facilities. With the increase in the demand for organised sport and passive recreation, it necessary to invest facilities to provide opportunities for the community.

- Children connect and create memories of the place they grew up in and played sport as they are growing up. Sporting grounds are critical to a child's early wellbeing and establishing lifestyle patterns of exercise and teamwork. They deserve same opportunity as us.

- These are facilities that will be used all year round - providing shelter/protection from the elements

- As a regular user of the park for more than 15 years, a mother of three daughters who play soccer and cricket, and the owner of two dogs I support the increase in sports fields in either oval 3 and 4 or in the former golf course site.
- Council must take into account the community as a whole. This will benefit sports players by adding additional space, and female players by being more inclusive. Regular visitors to EP will still be able to use the park for socialising and dog walking.

- Because of increased population and increase popularity of sports including female cricket and football. It is unconscionable to have not changing facilities/ovals on this huge inner city area.

- To create more space for my 3 children to play sport

- Local and junior sport is an important part of our community. This project will provide the facility to encourage and support participation.

- There is a dearth of sporting facilities in the municipality and it is vital that there be sufficient sporting ovals available for club and other use.

- There are not enough sporting facilities for girls in the District. The golf club should have off-road biking (Mountain Bike) path to allow our kids a chance to practice riding on trails - there are no MTB trails in the Bayside parkland.

- Support increased activity and facilities with balanced use for existing users. Potential concerns about adequate parking, including disability, and improvements needed for pedestrian access to link N and S parks + Bent/New St corner across New St.

- More sports grounds are needed. These ovals will only be used for a couple of days a week. Dog walkers can walk their dogs every other day. Everyone can share these ovals.

- Sporting facilities are important for community health and interaction. The wetland facility does not promote the use of a large proportion of the community. The ovals will support this imbalance.

- The reasons for my objections are as follows: - Reduced dog free space. We have a placid dog and regularly some aggressive dogs attack ours if they find themselves in the same area. By reducing dog space, more dogs will be confined in small spaces increase.

- Due to the growth in the sport, there is a need for additional soccer facilities in the City of Bayside. The activation of the 2 ovals in Elsternwick as soccer pitches will help ease the congestion on other sites in the region.

- We have the highest rate of childhood obesity and diabetes that we have ever had.

- We need to be encouraging children to play sport and be more active as there is the highest rate of obesity and diabetes ever at the moment in children.

- Community sport assists with mental health and physical wellbeing. Community sport connects people. Community sport in Bayside in terms of participation numbers is booming, with facilities being stretched. We need more community facilities for sport.

- My son plays in the local football team so I would like extra ovals in our municipality to be dedicated to our local teams

- The area is in desperate need of sporting grounds for clubs. The current ovals no 3 and 4 do not have any basic facilities for sporting clubs. The current proposal does not restrict dog users in the majority of the park and does not restrict paths for users.

- We are a family of three five, with their daughters all playing footy, soccer, basketball, tennis, athletics. So it’s hugely important to us that we can train and play with facilities on these ovals.

- To meet the growing needs of girls’ and boys’ AFL, soccer and cricket clubs, thereby contributing to children’s wellbeing and helping combat childhood obesity.

- Kids need the ovals for weekend sports to remain fit and healthy and to provide a local environment to do so is imperative to social wellbeing for both kids and their families. Traveling long distances causes great upset when we can just be close to home.

- Girls teams need better access to grounds for games and training.

- Great opportunity for sporting clubs in Bayside and participation in team sports.
- I have children who enjoy and play sport at both rep and domestic/club level. There is an acute lack of training and playing facilities in the area for females. Having lived in New St opposite the park for many years I believe it should be used for sport.

- Organised sport is one of the best ways to address childhood fitness issues and obesity. We need to ensure that all children have access to first class sporting facilities. Plenty of room left for informal recreation activities.

- Bayside needs more sporting venues especially for cricket. Junior participation is increasing especially amongst girls and we need more venues to cater for the growth. Sport benefits health and wellbeing but also teaches team spirit and fair play.

- I am very conscious of the growing number of participants in Cricket and Footy club, and strongly believe that we must support all children who wish to enrol in sports. It would sound unreasonable to have to turn down applicants because of lack of space.

- Improving the Eastern oval with fence and lighting is good. The Western oval could be improved but without lights and fences. More dog and family friendly. That would be a good compromise.

- The continuing growth in participation of sport by young girls and women, requires continually providing new facilities, more importantly grounds and change rooms. All Councils have neglected facilities. Reactivate ovals 3 and 4 as the park use to be.

- There is a drastic shortage of ovals in Bayside. Council told teams to reduce numbers which says you also realise the situation. You have a chance to do something about this.

- I am involved in junior sport in the Brighton area and think that it is extremely important to continue growth for our children to be able to play in a safe environment and don't believe at this point in time our bayside area has enough suitable ovals.

- Kids need facilities to play sport, nobody should be discouraged from playing sport when they are young.

- The demographic of Bayside has changed a lot over the past 10 years with many more children living in the area. That, together with the increase in population through densitiy of housing and more involvement of girls in sport means we need more sport ground.

- Don’t force clubs to turn children away from participating in organised sport. Utilise the facilities available in Bayside to have as many children as possible playing sport. The physical, mental and social benefits of children playing sport are important.

- I support the project to increase girls soccer sports in the area

- We desperately need the increased in recreational/sporting capacity in Bayside

- Growth in football participation and girl’s football.

- Growth in football participation and girl’s football. More kids want to get into sport, but Bayside has sent all clubs a letter telling them this season we may have to cap numbers or worse turn children away

- Growth in football participation and girl’s football. So all kids have the opportunity to get into sport, and are not turned away due to lack of grounds.

- With more and more residencies being added to Bayside, facilities will have to be added. Especially sporting facilities. I have dogs and kids, both happily exist together. There is a huge off lead area across the road by our beautiful beach in Elwood.

- Bayside United Football Club doesn’t have a home ground and struggles each year for training slots and costly match hire fees

- We use the park for running on the track, playground and tennis and it is a great space. Our kids play local sport and will need these ovals to keep games more local. I’m not a fan of off-leash for dogs as owners thus don’t pick up the poop. It’s’ awful

- It is important to provide enhanced winter sport facilities, particularly soccer. Additionally, there should be a dog on lease zone around the unforced children’s park as there is currently a big problem with unleashed dogs running through this area.
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- Girls footy needs to be supported and girls should have rights to playing their fav sport
- The ovals can be used to help the growth of womens all in bayside.
- I support because there isn’t many ovals around Elsternwick and we need more. So please make these ovals. girls and boys would both love two new ovals
- With the growth women’s sports in this area, I think it is important that these ovals are used to promote and enjoy sport on these.
- We need more playing fields to encourage kids sport
- I do support it because of the growing amount of women and girls playing all
- Sport promotes a healthy lifestyle. It’s a no brainer.
- These ovals are vital for promoting women’s health and fitness as well as providing them an opportunity to play sports.
- I think with the rise of women’s AFL, it is important we can facilitate for the needs and demand.
- We need more ovals for sport in bayside. The quality of many of the second tier ovals and fields is appalling. Reducing the number is not what we need. We need more participation in sport and must provide good facilities.
- more facilities for the community
- It’s important for people to be able to play footy on a high quality field
- Great for kids sport but should not have fences unless just for road protection, not around the sports grounds. The ovals should be left unfenced to maintain the freedom of wandering.
- With the growth of girls football which is an absolutely fantastic development there is a big shortage of grounds which will also be exacerbated by the expected growth in girls cricket
- Need for more good quality sports grounds to cater for increased junior and female participation
- I think the park still has plenty of space available for other users and it’s very important we encourage children to get involved in sport. Something that can be.
- My children are actively involved in community sport. There is an on-going challenge to manage the games due to an under supply of available ovals in Bayside. Childhood obesity is a real problem that needs urgent attention - community sport is an answer.
- Thanks BCC for your ongoing support of organised sport in the area. We support the reactivation of Ovals 3and4 in principle, with the appropriate infrastructure (lighting and change rooms) to accommodate the significant increase in female participation.
- Yes I do. Local clubs including Brighton Vampires have high demand, yet limited playing spaces for both games and training. Pals ensure these grounds are not open to dogs as too much dog droppings are left and not picked up
- With housing density, properties with smaller or no back yard space are becoming the reality. The percentage of residents playing sport is showing a dramatic increase and additional sporting recreational spaces are vital for community health and wellbeing
- The park is already actively used for many sports - cricket, football (both boy and girls) and as such any improvements are to be welcomed. That said, please ensure that you take care of the passive users as well. My dogs think that EP is dog heaven!
- We want more ovals!
- Just remove the parks all together!
- Open space belongs to all - it’s about sharing
- I support community development through sport. I support tolerant balanced use of all facilities.
- I have a child that plays junior football and cricket
- Having sufficient facilities for organised sport is critical. Sport reduced obesity and teaches children all manner of life skills. The boom in women’s AFL is wonderful for girls. Dogs a consideration, but they must come second to community health.
- We need more ovals for kids sports
- We need more AFL grounds in Bayside
- There is still plenty of area for dog walking, especially with the new dog on-leash area of the golf course. Children need ovals for sport. When not used for sport the dog walkers have that area as well. It is all about sharing open space.
- We have a desperate need for sports grounds and facilities.
- We need sport grounds so urgently for supporting a healthy youth lifestyle. And dog owners can go anywhere!
- Existing ovals already at capacity. Female sports, especially female footy is exploding. The reopening of these ovals for winter sports helps immediately address and future proof the current and future needs of local clubs and improves health of community
- Interest in AFL has become so much larger, and I play for a local girls team, as well as for school. My school team has to travel to Higheitt from Gardenvale due to lack of grounds. 4 teams train at the same time causing congestion. Dog owners can still use
- Creates more opportunity for local sports clubs to flourish by using the grounds and encourage the community involvement in these clubs
- It is a much needed requirement to ensure the ability for Bayside residents to all have the ability to participate in active recreation
- I have seen this type of redevelopment work successfully in Caulfield
- Organised sport is necessary to support a healthy society.
- With the growing number of football, particularly girls, there is a clear need to have additional grounds to house their games and training.
- Kids need more sport facilities
- The allocation of passive space to sporting space in Elsternwick is disproportionate.
- The community is crying out for more ovals to play sport on. This solution will meet that need with very little impact on other users such as dog users
- More sports grounds are needed not less. Our club has 170 cricketers of which more than 85% reside in Bayside. The lack of facilities at Elsternwick Park is a huge problem. The dog walkers are a noisy minority with no vision for the future.
- Ideal opportunity to activate a winter usage oval for AFL and a field for soccer. Soccer field on oval 4 less visually intrusive as smaller than AFL and goals shorter too. These fields particularly heavily needed for juniors and females in our region.
- Please make ovals 3 and 4 available in winter for juniors and females who play AFL and soccer. An AFL oval for oval 3 and a soccer field for oval 4 would address many needs, and soccer pitch will look better from the street as smaller goals and field size
- we desperately need more girls soccer pitches in Bayside - currently my girls are missing matches because not enough ovals - I’ve been trying to promote to them the benefits of sport to them and it’s terribly frustrating to be held back by infrastructure
- So much need to provide fields for soccer and AFL in Bayside region. We should be encouraging our young ones - especially girls - to continue playing AFL and soccer, but very hard with so few fields available for them. One field for each sport is perfect!
• There is a chronic shortage of sports fields in Bayside for junior footballers and soccer players. Existing grounds are over-used. It is important young kids are given the opportunity to play sport for all the health and wellbeing benefits.

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• The shortage oval playing fields and the growth in sport participation and a growing population provides no choice but to make effective use of all open spaces.

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• Unprecedented growth in team sports with female participation rates jumping should be encouraged. Health and social benefits of team sports are well established. Also a regular dog walker at park and see no issue with a fence or lights. Park for all.

• I’m a teacher who books this park for sport. I know the difficulty of finding grounds for school sport. Decent toilet facilities instead of 1 Exile. I have a dog but believe children should have priority over dogs. There’s enough space for dogs and sport.

• As a mother of 2 boys, encouraging children to play sport for health and fitness reasons is very important. If 2 extra football ovals allow for more children to be able to play sport, then the ovals are an asset. The parks big enough for sport and leisure.

• Local kids need the opportunity to play in sport teams.

• Let’s share with the introduction of women to football the demand on sporting venues has increased significantly. Elsternwick Park offers the opportunity for all Park users to benefit from the space it provides. It is a common sense collaboration.

• There is an overwhelming need to increase the number of grounds available for junior AFL.

• My children at Elsternwick Primary and Brighton Vampires. The ovals would be perfect for the Vampires. It’s ridiculous our home ground is in Moorabbin! Thank you for seeking feedback. Andrew.

• It is a large space capable of saving multiple uses. With the growth in junior sport, especially female participation helping to address spiralling childhood obesity the activation of these ovals is an ideal use for our community given ovals are scarce.

• We need more ovals for kids to play and train their sports on.

• I support the establishment of the 2 ovals as Bayside requires more sporting ovals due to the increasing participation in sport (particularly with the increase in female football participation).

• Hard to believe that ovals 3 and 4 are not already used for winter sport when such a heavy need for juniors and females playing soccer and AFL! One for each sport would be ideal with oval 4 perfect for soccer as less visually intrusive for nearby residents.

• Ovals urgently needed for Bayside United FC training grounds.

• Ideal opportunity to open oval/fields for AFL and soccer in winter. Heavy need for females in our region! Soccer field on oval 4 will look better from street as smaller than AFL and goals are shorter/less noticeable too.

• More sports fields required – esp. for women’s sport.
- I am a coach at Sandringham Soccer Club, and I have 2 kids that play there. It is devastating having to cut team numbers back because there are not sufficient facilities to play on. Kids should be able to play sport, but they can't without safe pitches.
- I support a project that increases the utilisation of any public space for all members of the local and visiting communities. It is great to see a creative approach to cater for all users.
- One aspect that needs underlining is the silence on the opportunity to design the south ovals so as to maximise their capacity to play a role in flood mitigation, important in this park! Why not levee banks and lower playing surfaces of the right type???
- we need more kids playing sport and the opportunities in bayside to do so
- to help cater for growing number of children playing team sport
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## Attachment 3 - Elsternwick Park Oval 3 and 4 Observations

- **Item 3.1 – Reports by the Organisation**

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4. Urgent Business
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Mick Cummins

Chief Executive Officer