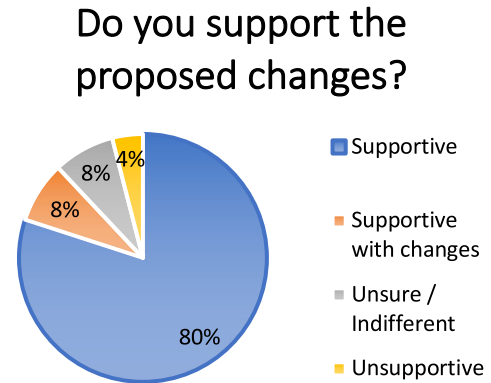


Cuthberts Road Reserve

Twenty -seven surveys were completed for Cuthberts Road Reserve with the majority of people identifying that they use the reserve with children and for walking the dog. There was a high level of support for the proposed changes with 80% of respondents voicing positive opinion.



Proposed Changes

Of those expressing a preference, there was support for a better sealed or circuit path as the reserve gets very muddy, additional play equipment and a basketball/netball court with pavement.

Requested Changes Cuthberts Rd Reserve	Support	Action / Comment
Infrastructure		
Better paths/Sealed circuit cycle/pedestrian path	11	Consider changing proposed path surface to concrete, budget permitting.
Dog tether point near playspace / Fenced dog park	5	Outside of project scope/budget. Not appropriate for a local/neighbourhood park.
Paved area for prams near play area	1	Incorporate into final design
Add water fountain	4	Outside of project scope/budget.
Add bins/ Dog poo bags(poo compost bin, Cuthberts Rd end)	10	Outside of project scope/budget. Not appropriate for a local/neighbourhood park.
Add seating around park/play area	2	Incorporate into final design
Add solar BBQ	1	Outside of project scope/budget. Not appropriate for a local/neighbourhood park.
Toilets	2	Outside of project scope/budget. Not appropriate for a local/neighbourhood park.
Picnic table with shelter	1	Incorporate into final design
Ensure perimeter fencing keeps out vehicles	1	New fence is included in the design.
Suburban work hub	1	Outside of project scope/budget. Not appropriate for a local/neighbourhood park.

Play		
Flying fox	1	Outside of project scope/budget. Not appropriate for a local/neighbourhood park.
More and better play equipment	5	New play equipment is included in the final design.
Splash park	1	Outside of project scope/budget. Not appropriate for a local/neighbourhood park.
Soccer goals	1	Basketball will be provided as active sport.
Basketball/Netball area with paved area	6	Incorporate into final design
Footy goals	1	Basketball will be provided as active sport.
Tennis area	1	Basketball will be provided as active sport.
Hockey area with wall to keep balls in	1	Basketball will be provided as active sport.
Paved/Astroturf area for hardball sports to replace grass area	1	Basketball will be provided as active sport.
Vegetation		
Add trees/vegetation around picnic table (trees, shrubs etc)	2	Outside of project scope/budget.
Add street tree planting across Parkview Drive frontage	1	Outside of project scope/budget. Refer to street tree planting team.
Make 'the basin' into a naturalised water feature	1	Outside of project scope/budget.
General tidy up and pruning vegetation	1	Outside of project scope/budget. Refer to Parks Maintenance.
Remove/trim trees from boundary.	1	Incorporate tree trimming into final design.
Reseed grass to repair barren patches	1	Outside of project scope/budget.
Windbreak west side	1	Outside of project scope/budget.
Remove plovers	1	City of Ballarat supports biodiversity in open spaces. The plovers contribute to this biodiversity.
Naturalised planting for wildlife	1	Trees and vegetation will be native/indigenous where possible.
Signage highlighting native birds and their behaviour	1	Outside of project scope/budget.

Recommendation Cuthberts Road Reserve

While there was a high level of support for the proposed changes, the community made several requests or suggestions for consideration. Some items are outside of the scope of the project or are not appropriate for a neighbourhood park as described in the Open Space Strategy (2008).

Some suggestions may be possible within the scope and budget of the Small Parks Improvements Program. They include:

- Paved area for prams near children's play area
- Improvements to the path network to include a sealed (concrete) circuit path to allow park users to navigate the sometimes muddy surface

- Add seating around park/play area
- Add picnic table with shelter
- Include a paved active sport area (Basketball/Netball)
- Trees and vegetation will be native/indigenous where possible.
- Complete a general tidy up and pruning of trees.

Actions

- Refer street tree planting along Parkview Drive to appropriate Department.
- Refer request for a general tidy up of the reserve to Parks Maintenance.
- Make minor changes to the design and post to MySay.
- Proceed to tender and implementation.