

Inkerman Gully Reserve

There was a low level of response to the proposed design for Inkerman Gully reserve with ten individuals responding to the survey. The most popular use for the open space was with children.

Amongst these respondents, there was a moderate to low level of support for the proposed changes with 60% expressing satisfaction.

Proposed Changes

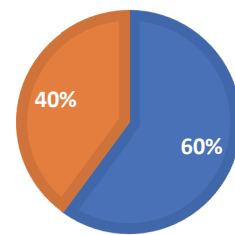
Of those expressing a preference, there was support for:

- an all weather path extending through the reserve
- Addressing/Improving site drainage
- Removing the picnic area
- Increasing the play offerings
- Increasing well maintained, naturalised planting.



ARE YOU SUPPORTIVE OF THE PROPOSED CHANGES?

Supportive Unsupportive



Proposed Change Inkerman Gully	Support	Action / Comment
All weather path from one end to the other / Extend to Sherrard St	5	Implement a sealed, concrete path through reserve.
Drainage / Leaking water main should be addressed	2	Noted.
Improved maintenance	2	Outside of project scope/budget. Refer to Parks Maintenance Team.
Increase habitat planting provided it is maintained	1	Include additional, low maintenance naturalised plantings.
More diversity of play	2	Add 1-2 pieces of new play equipment and nature play
More seating near play area	1	Add additional bench seat next to proposed near playspace.
Outdoor gym equipment	1	Outside of project scope/budget. Not appropriate for a local/neighbourhood park.
Picnic area is not needed / can be simpler	2	Simple shelter and picnic setting will be provided.
Planting trees along path is not a good idea	1	Trees will be offset from path to minimise root impact to path.

Signs to pick up after your dog	1	Signage reminding park users to pick up after their dogs is not effective in creating behaviour changes. Not appropriate for a local/neighbourhood park.
Toilet somewhere in the area	1	Outside of project scope/budget. Not appropriate for a local/neighbourhood park.

Recommendation Inkerman Gully Reserve

The following changes are recommended for Inkerman Gully Reserve based on the community feedback:

- Refer increased maintenance request to Parks Maintenance
- Include additional bench seat near playspace
- Include additional 1-2 new pieces of play equipment and nature play.

Actions

- Make changes in line with recommendations as budget allows.
- Conduct a second round of engagement focusing on the expansion of the children's playspace allowing an additional two-week feedback period.
- Residents will be notified of this timeframe by letter drop. Letter and second feedback timeframe shall be geared toward asking children to select which new pieces of play equipment they prefer from a set group through MySay survey response. Specific examples of formal and nature play will be included to assist engagement.
- Review feedback with the goal of achieving 80% support. Post final design outcome to MySay.
- Proceed to tender and implementation