

Rockbank East Active Open Space Master Plan

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION REPORT 2025

Melton City Council

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Community Consultation Summary Report

1. Introduction

This report summarises the outcomes of the community consultation regarding the development of the Rockbank East Active Open Space Master Plan.

The consultation aimed to gather input from the community to inform the planning of recreational spaces, ensuring they meet the needs of all users.

2. Consultation Details

Dates of Consultation
9 to 30 May 2025.

Consultation Methods

- Online survey
- Social media posts
- Mail outs to neighbouring properties
- Face-to-face drop-in sessions (as per the table below)

Date	Time	Location
Tuesday 20 May	1.30-3.30pm	Timbertop Children and Community Centre
Wednesday 21 May	9.00am-11.00am	Fraser Rise Children and Community Centre
Tuesday 27 May	1.30-3.30pm	Rockbank Community Hall

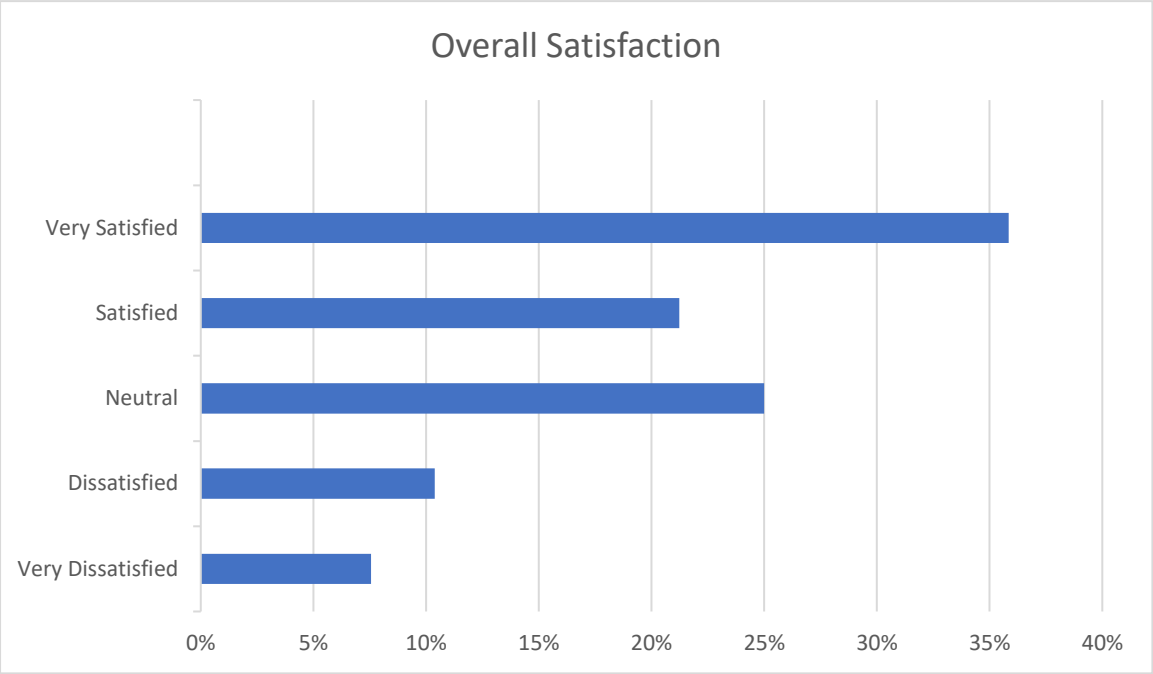
City of Stakeholder Groups

- Wider community
- Residents
- Sports Clubs

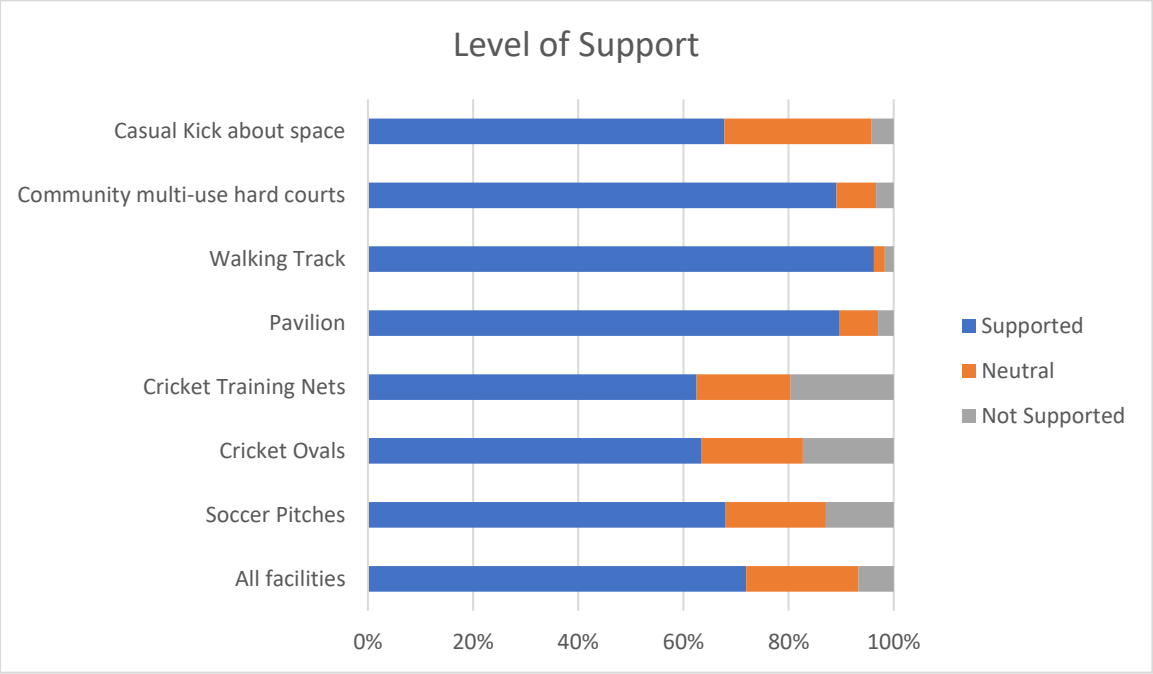
Responses
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3. Consultation Over all Summaries

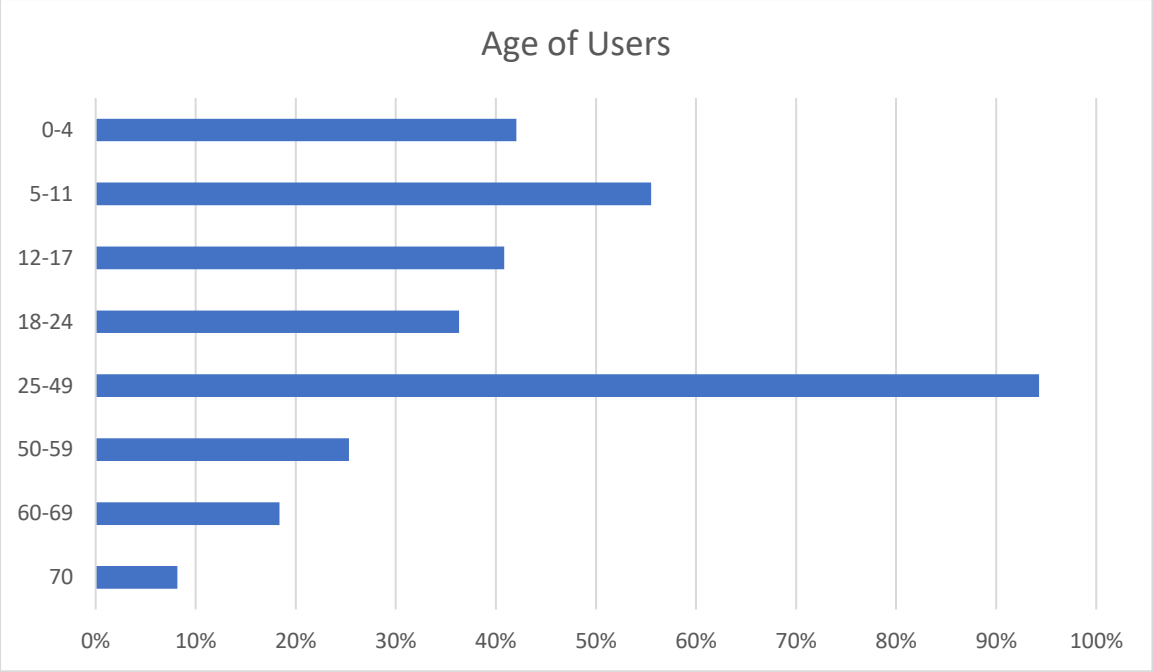
Overall satisfaction with the proposed master plan



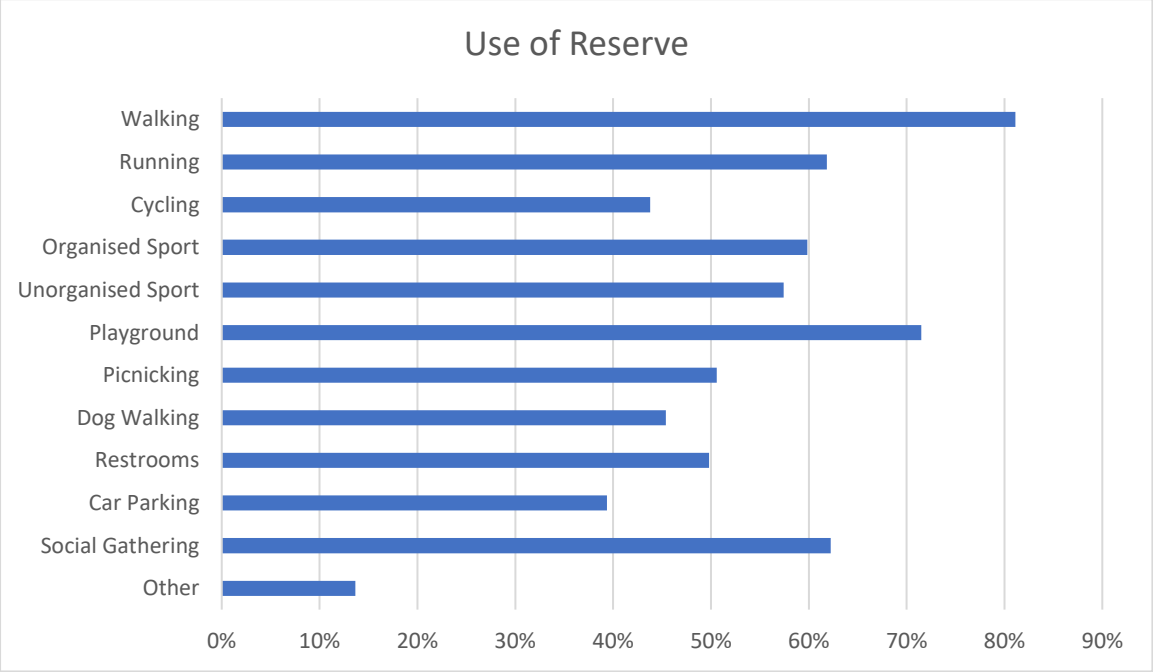
Level of supportive for the sport and recreation facilities in the draft master plan



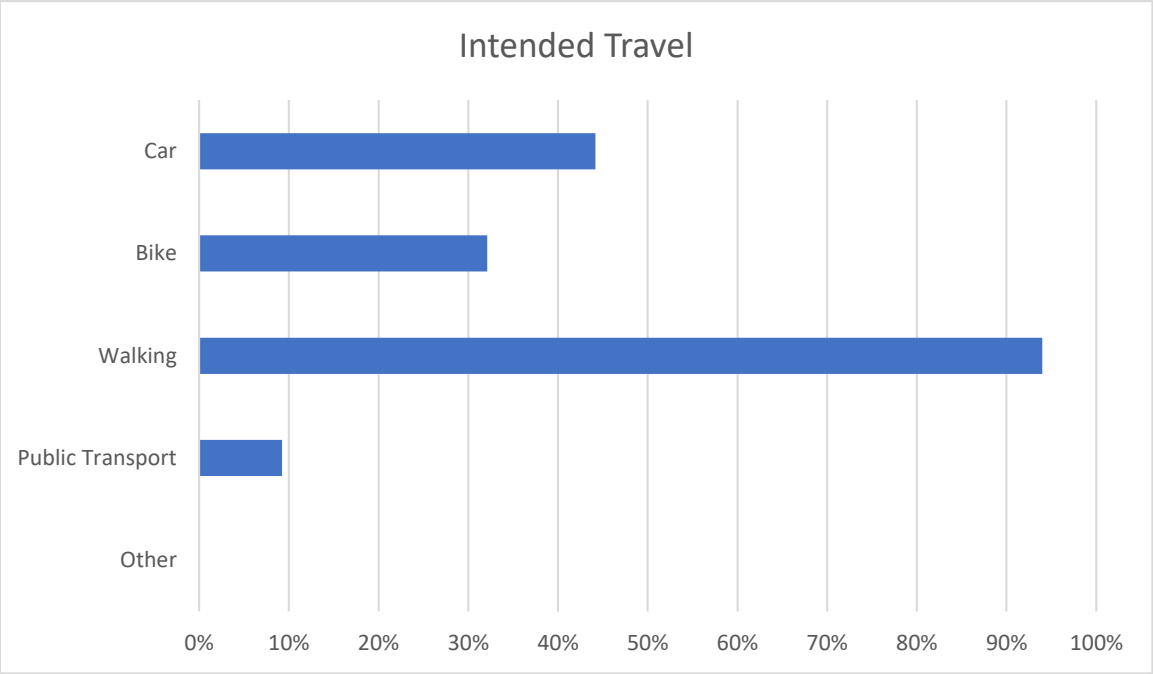
Age of those who intend to use the reserve



Anticipated use of the reserve

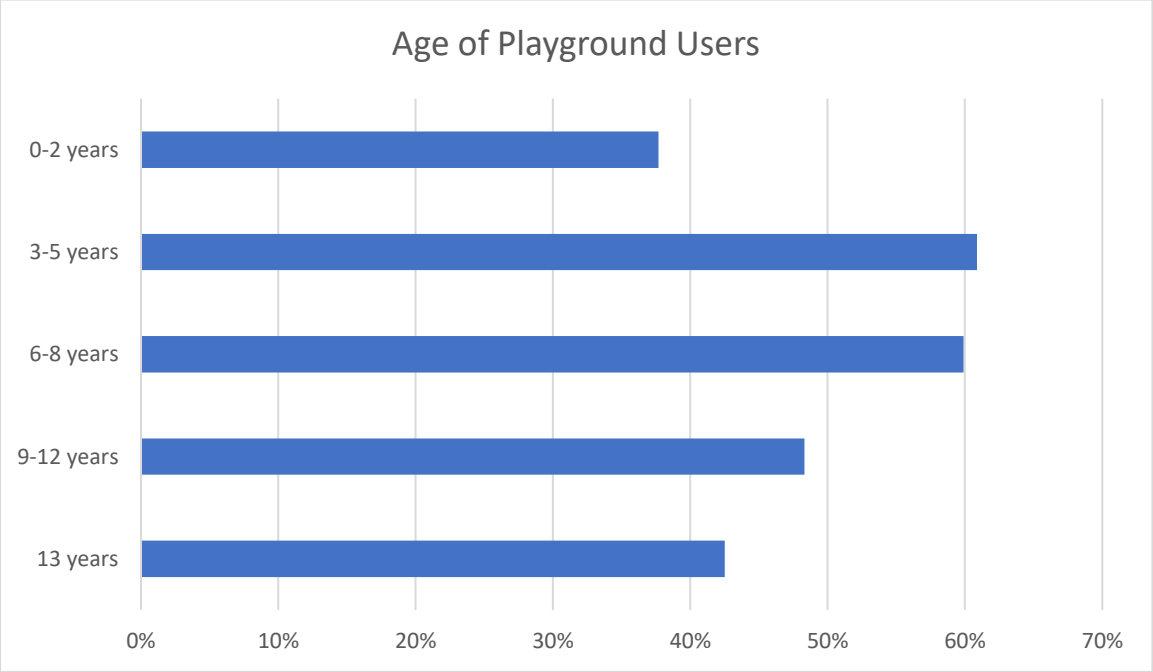


Intended way to travel to reserve

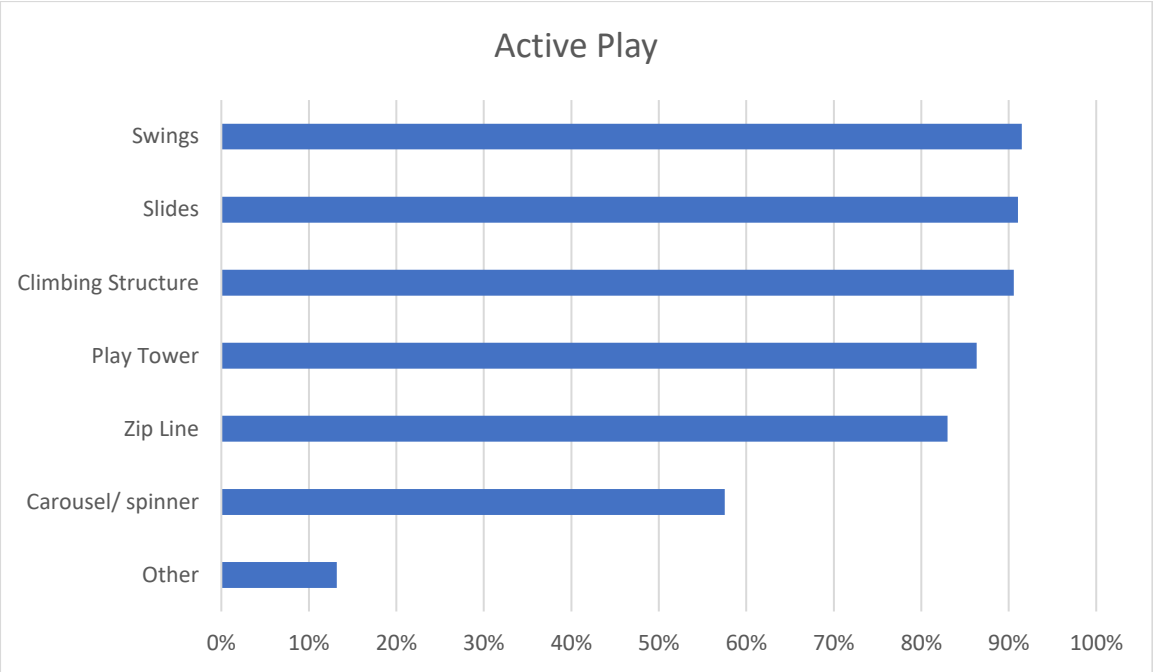


4. Playground Key Summaries

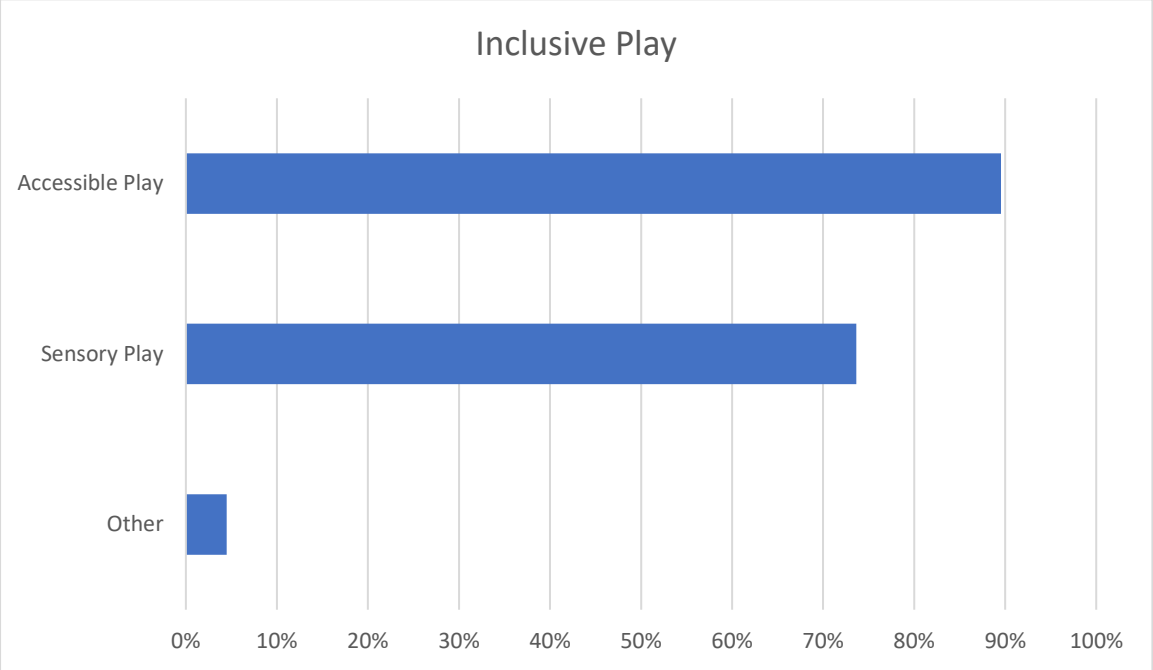
Age of children expected to use the playground



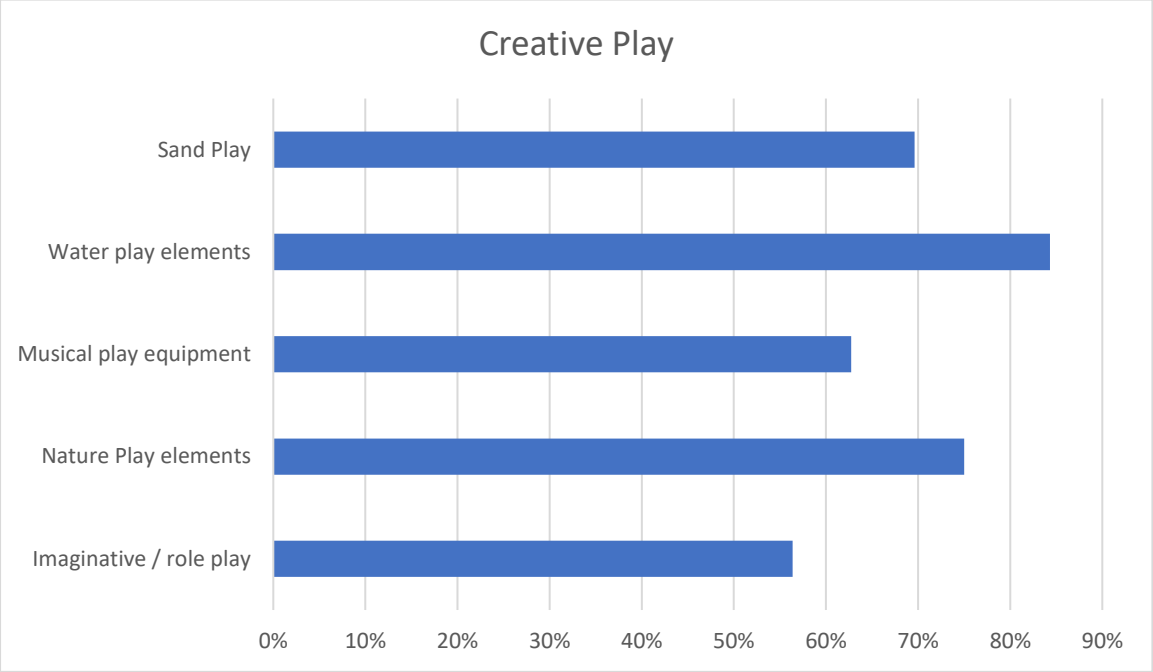
Preferred active play activities



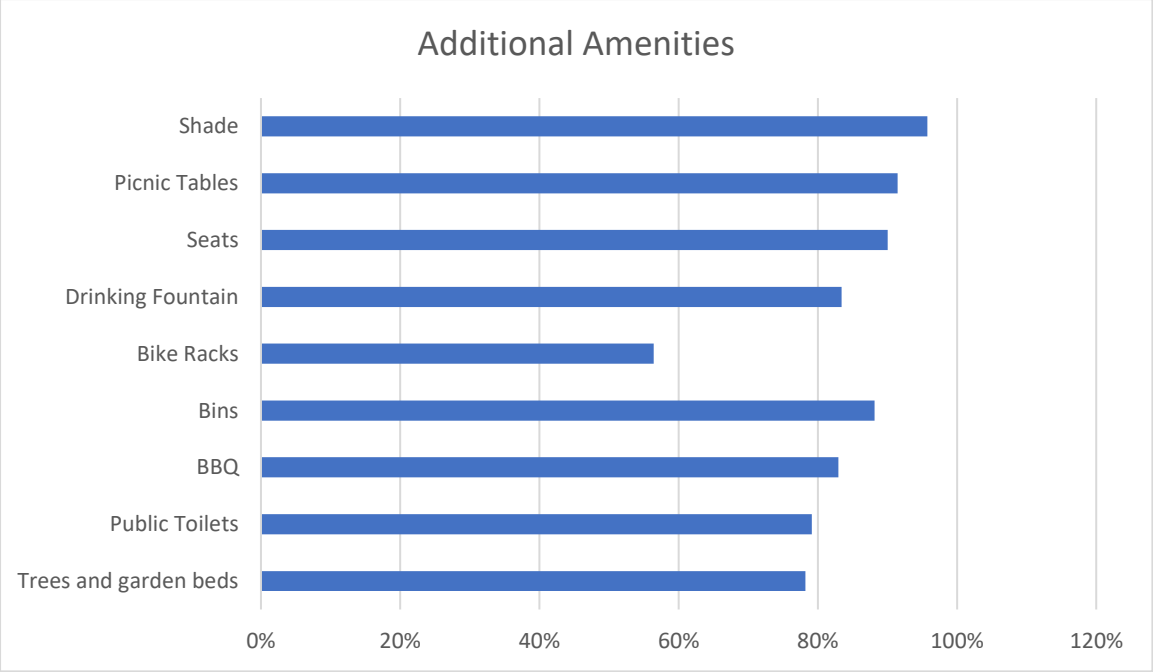
Preferred Inclusive play activities



Preferred creative play activities



Additional amenities requested



5. Key Themes and Responses

The following table outlines the key themes raised by the community along with responses or proposed actions:

Key Themes and Responses

Key Theme	Community Feedback	Response/Action
Sport and Recreation Facilities 	General support for soccer and cricket. Requests were made to reduce soccer pitches to 2–3 and repurpose space for community hard courts like tennis, basketball and futsal. Multiple requests for skate park. Multiple requests for indoor courts.	Soccer and Cricket have been identified as formal sports at this site. Sport provision is informed by population demand ratios and need. There will be provision for other formal sports in nearby Active Open Space reserves. Free to use multi-use hard courts will be delivered near the play space. Inclusion of skate elements to be considered during the design phase. Indoor court provision will not be achieved at this site. A future indoor stadium is proposed within the Rockbank and Rockbank North Precinct Structure Plans*. **Precinct Structure Plan – a master plan for a specific area, outlining the desired future development.*
Playground Equipment 	Feedback focused on the play space catering for the older children as neighbouring local parks target younger children. Multiple requests for inclusive play equipment such as swings, slides, climbing structures, nature and water play elements.	Consideration of equipment to cater for multiple ages, including inclusive play structures such as swings, slides, nature and water play elements in the future play space concept and test proposals through further consultation on the draft play space concept.
Amenities (shade, seats, bins) 	Support and requests for good shade coverage across the site.	Back rested seats, picnic tables, shelter and bins to be provided close to the play space and in key locations across the reserve. Trees and understorey planting to be provided along path connections and at key locations including in and around the play space and seating/picnic areas to provide shade and urban cooling benefit. Arrangement of these elements will be subject to detailed design.
Dog Park 	Requests for an off-leash dog park.	Provision of a dog off lead area and supporting infrastructure will be subject to further review and community consultation.

6. Conclusion

The consultation process provided valuable insights into the community's priorities for Rockbank East Active Open Space.

The feedback will inform its future design and ensure the space meets the recreational needs of the community.

Going forward, Council will seek further feedback on the draft concept design of the playground and multi-purpose courts.