

Taylors Hill Central Park Upgrade

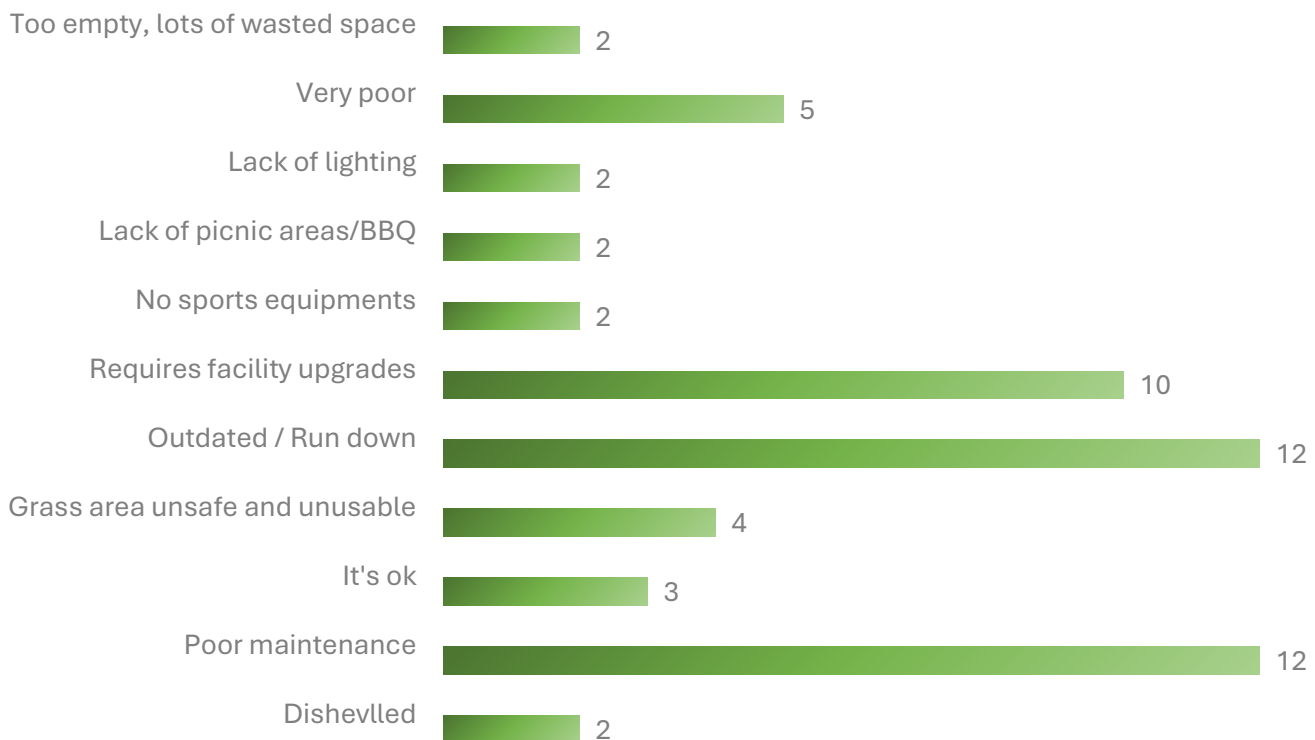
Community Feedback

Between the 15th November 2024 and 9th February 2025 Melton City Council consulted with the local community on a proposed landscape plan to upgrade the existing park at Taylors Hill Central Park. Feedback was collected via an online survey, a hard copy flyer, email and face to face session. A total of 56 responses were received from the community. Below is a summary of the feedback that was collected.

This feedback helps Council to understand what is important to the community and why, as well as identify any other opportunities for improvements. The feedback is reviewed and will be used to update the park design.

Project Proposal Feedback

What do you think about the park in its current form?



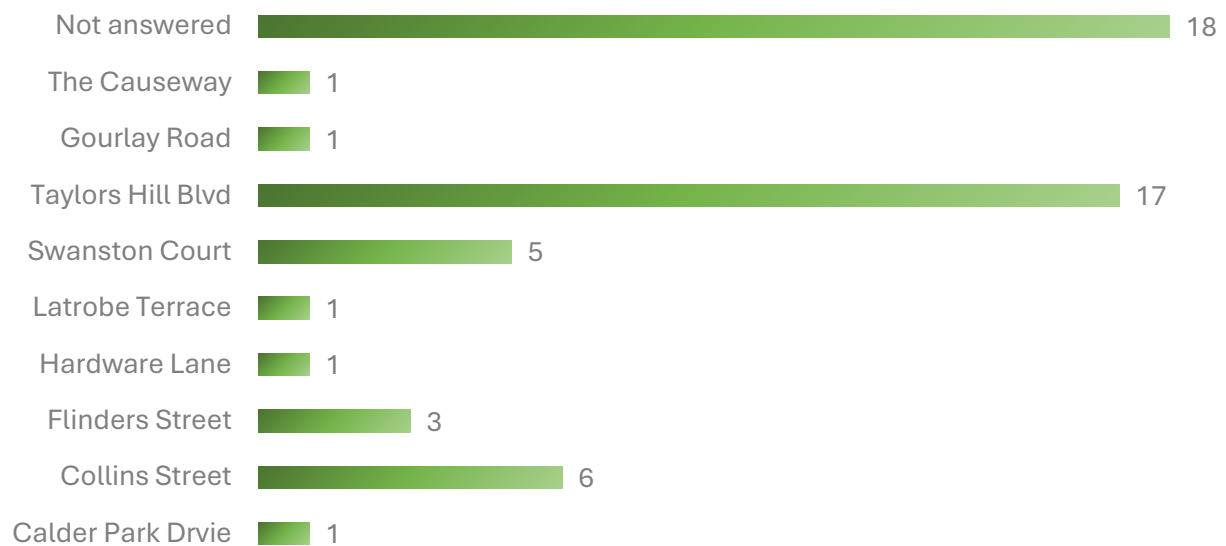
Other responses included:

- Nice location
- Not enough trees
- Great little community park
- No irrigation system
- Graffiti on park infrastructure
- Popular with kids
- Not pet friendly
- Play area unsafe due to easy vehicle access
- Not enough bins

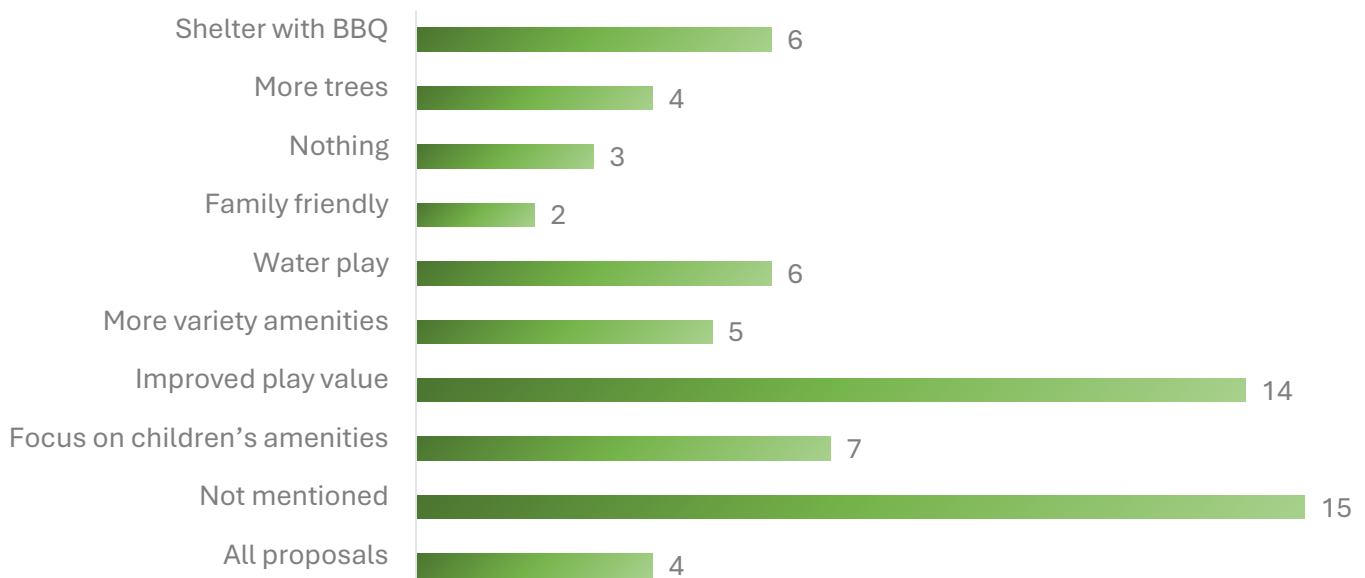
How do you travel to the park (cycle/walk/drive)?



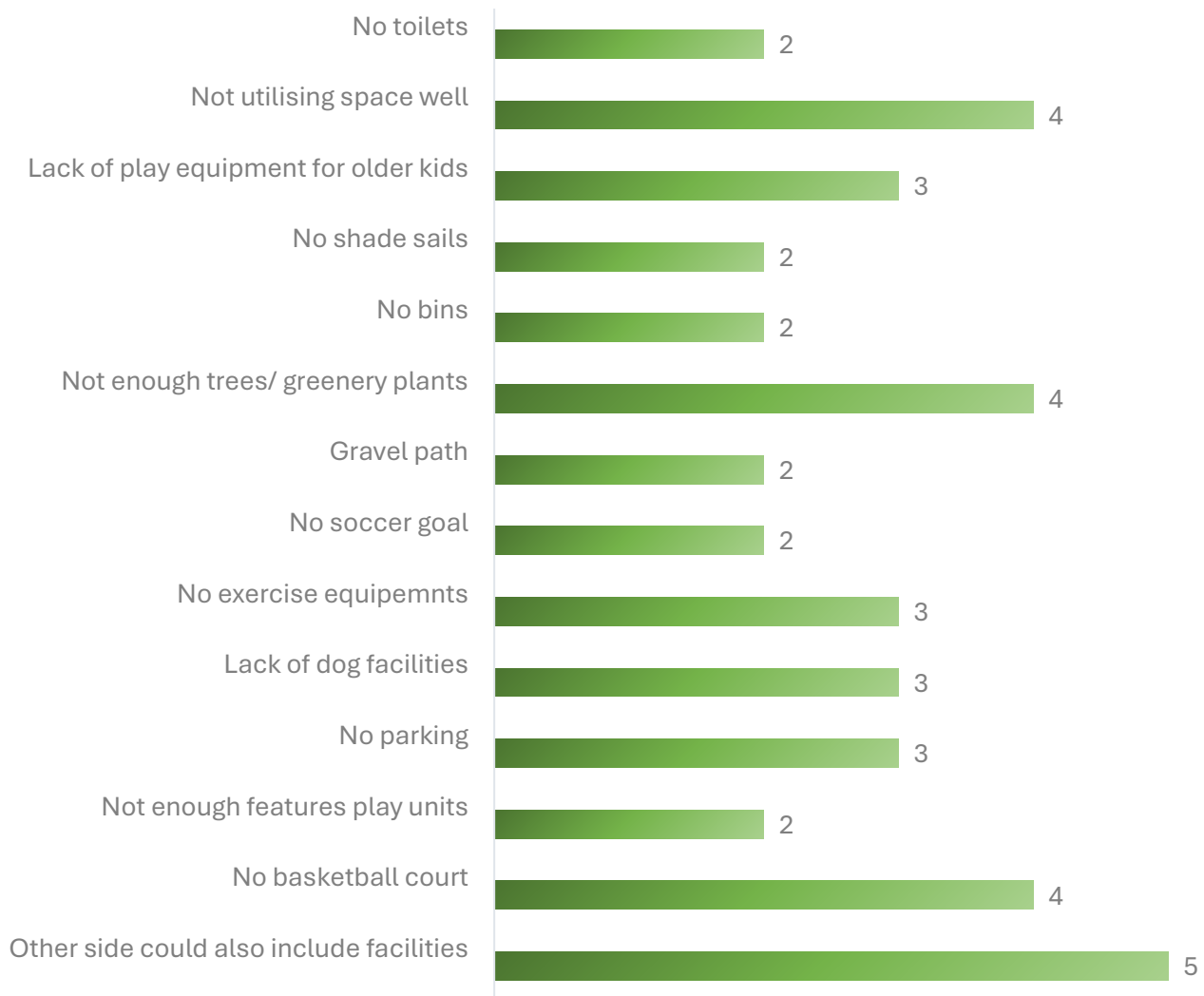
Which direction do you arrive from (street name)?



What do you like about the proposed park improvements?



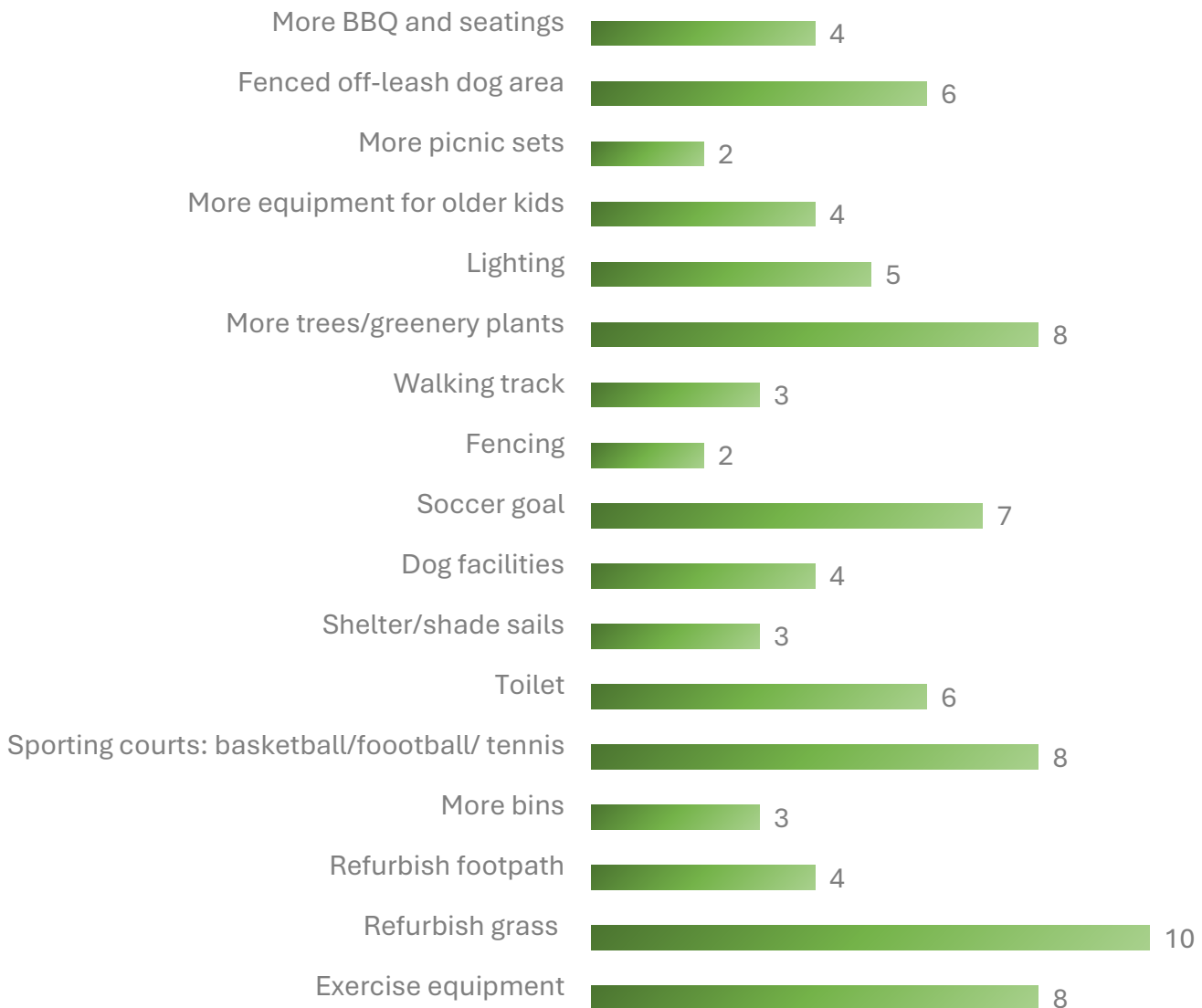
What don't you like about the proposed park improvements?



Other responses included:

- Needs maintenance plan
- No special feature of swings
- Water play feature unsafe
- No signs for dog owners
- Not enough barriers to stop motorbikes and cars
- No improvement to grassed area
- Boring and low budget
- No lighting
- Not enough picnic space
- No fencing
- Trampoline
- Not enough walking paths
- Safety concern due to overgrown shrubs

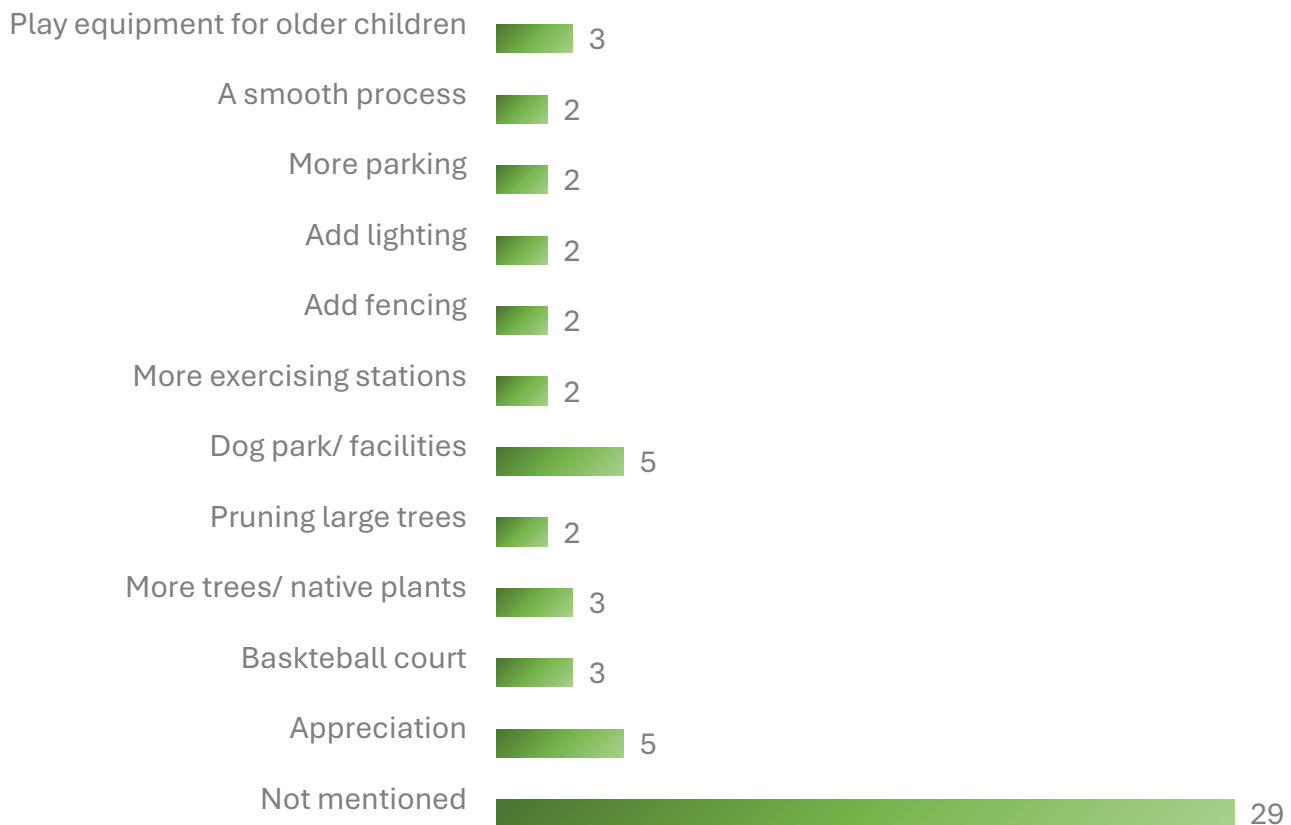
What else do you expect to see within the proposed park?



Other responses included:

- Water play
- Regular maintenance
- Bike rack
- Redesign centre oval
- Replace eastern paving stones
- Skate Park
- Bike track
- Inclusive facilities
- Speed humps
- Provide clearance for resident access/parking
- Trampolines
- More parking
- Sensory equipment
- 3m high climbing net
- Park signs
- Monkey bars
- CCTV

Do you have any other comments about the park?



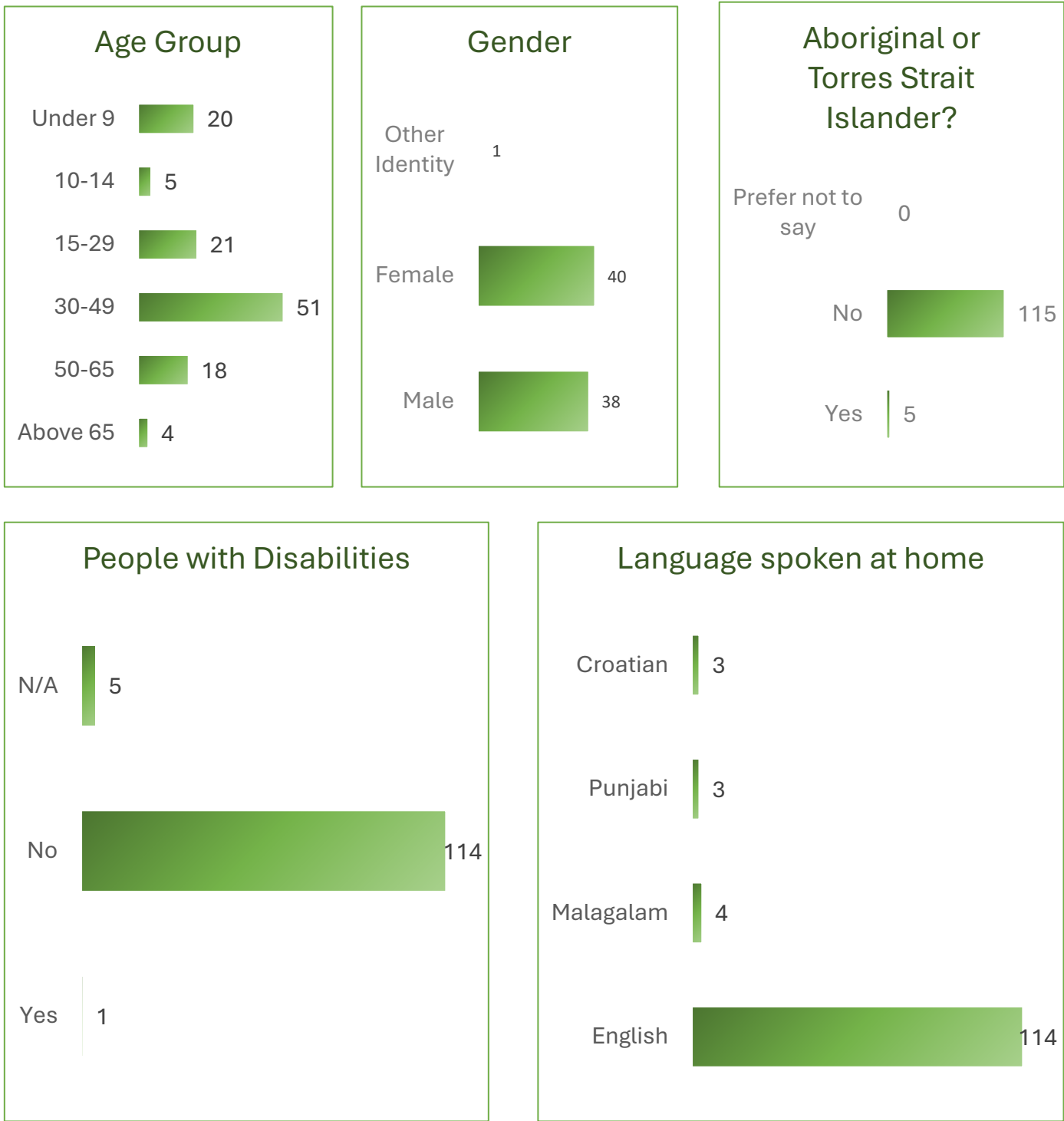
Other responses included:

- Palm trees
- Irrigation for grass
- Regular maintenance
- Include facilities for everyone
- Gym rails
- A skate park
- Street name sign
- Replace original roundabout tree
- More bins
- Toilets
- Replanted grass required

Demographic Assessment

Alongside this consultation, we conducted a demographic assessment to ensure equal access and opportunities for all members of the community.

Below is a summary of the distribution of respondents and their household details.



Feedback Summary and Response

The below table is a summary of the community's suggestions and other feedback received. Council have reviewed these responses and provided a response as it related to the projects purpose and budget.

Community Feedback	Melton City Council Response
Within the Scope	
Include sporting spaces for basketball, football, skate, bike track and walking path.	A bike and walking loop have been included in the final design. Sports and skate infrastructure has not been included to site constraints and proximity to residents.
Include improved play opportunities for older kids	This will be considered in detailed design phase.
Include activities for all ages and abilities like exercise station	This will be considered in detailed design phase.
Include parking	Parking is not provided in local level parks.
Utilise the rest of the park	Turf improvements, new furniture and tree planting will be provided to increase passive recreation opportunities in the rest of the park.
Address safety concerns associated with the overgrown trees and planting.	Existing trees and shrubs will be pruned and with new plantings as appropriate to ensure clear visibility into the reserve.
Additional picnic areas for big families gathering	Typically, a local park is designed to support short-term visits and small gatherings for the surrounding neighbourhood, for larger family gatherings or longer stays, we recommend using district or regional level parks, which are better equipped with amenities such as toilets, BBQs, and a wider range of recreation facilities.
Provide more seats around play area	Additional seating has been included in the final design
Include a toilet	Public toilets are typically not supported at local-level reserves.
Include flying fox, sensory equipment, trampoline, a big climbing structure etc.	These play items are typically better supported at district level reserves
Include a fenced dog park and dog facilities	This request is not supported due to the limited passive surveillance within the reserve and the proximity to conflicting activities.
Replace existing concrete footpaths	Existing paths will be assessed and replaced if required

Include bins	New bin stands to be provided.
Provide more trees and greenery plants	Additional tree and understory planting will be provided.
Include a fence	Council do not typically support the provision of fencing to local play spaces. This park has sufficient planted buffers between the active play and road.
Replace the grass area	The turf in the main kick-about area will be replaced to improve its condition and usability.
Include shade sail	Shade sails are generally not supported in Council parks. A new shelter and additional tree planting will be provided to shade the picnic area, play equipment and paths.
Include soccer goal	This will be considered in detailed design phase.
Include bike rack	Bike racks are typically only provided where play spaces adjoin key active transport/shared path routes.
Include inclusive facilities	Accessible play and furniture items have been included in final design.
Out of the Scope	
Additional lighting	This request will be assessed for inclusion in Council's path lighting improvements program.
Improved maintenance	Park maintenance requests outside of this scope of works will be addressed as part of Council's Park Maintenance program.
Speed humps around park	The request for speed humps has been referred to the relevant team in Council.
Include CCTV	Council does not support the provision of CCTV cameras in public open spaces.