Playspace consultation: Swadling Reserve Playspace

Engagement summary

Between 22 November and 8 December 2019 Council sought community input on the upgrade to the Swadling Reserve playspace due to the current equipment reaching the end of its functional life. What's more exciting is that Council are upgrading the playspace from its current local level play facility to a district level playspace! The community were invited to select their preferred option from three concept designs via a survey. The questions asked were designed to assist Council plan playspaces in a way that reflects the values and preferences of our community.

Engagement results

Survey results revealed that:

- 37% of respondents stated that option 1 was their preferred option. 34% of those that selected this preference indicated that they had done so because they believed this playspace offers the best range of play opportunities for the children they will be going to the park with. 33% believed this playspace offers the most play opportunities for all age ranges.
- **35%** of respondents stated that option 3 was their preferred option. **38%** of those that selected this preference indicated that they had done so as they believed this playspace offers the most play opportunities for all age ranges.
- 28% of respondents stated that option 2 was their preferred option. 40% of those that selected this preference indicated that they had done so as they believed this playspace offers the most play opportunities for all age ranges.
 Further analysis of the responses provided the following information:

82% of the participants had children aged 8 years and under. Of those 23% were

- under two years old.
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- **70%** of participants live in the area with **28%** of respondents indicating that they are visitors of the area.
- option 1 was preferred by respondents with younger children (45% of 0-2 and 39% of 3-5) and option 3 was preferred by respondents with older children (39% of 6-8 and 38% of 9-14).
- those that selected option 2 indicated that they had the broadest age range for users of the playspace (0-2 years: 22%, 3-5 years: 30%, 6-8 years: 28% and 9-14 years: 20%).

What's next?

Further analysis of the feedback received during the playspace consultation is currently being undertaken. These results will then be used to inform which option will be selected to be constructed at Swadling Reserve, Toowoon Bay.

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