



## **Roy Lander Reserve**

### Community Consultation Findings

March 2024

## 1. Introduction

This report summarises community consultation on the proposed plan for an upgrade of the open space at Roy Lander Reserve, Seaview Downs.

An Open Space Plan was endorsed by Council in 2020 to provide upgrades to open spaces across Council. As part of this plan an open space upgrade for the installation of new active recreation elements is proposed at Roy Lander Reserve. The additional elements could include:

- Irrigated kick about lawn with multi sport goals
- New cricket net with concrete pitch
- Disc golf driving range
- Multi sport court including basketball and netball
- Fenced Pickleball court
- Bocce Court
- Pump track

## 2. Consultation Program

Engagement occurred to ask community members their preferred active recreation option. The consultation survey was open for 3 weeks from 29 February – 22 March 2024.

The survey was made available online at [makingmarion.com.au/roy-lander-reserve](https://makingmarion.com.au/roy-lander-reserve)

Residents were informed about the survey in the following ways:

- **Flyer** - A postcard was delivered to 500 households within roughly 400m<sup>2</sup> radius of the reserve outlining the period of consultation.
- **Onsite sign** - Three onsite signs were installed at the reserve promoting the Making Marion link and consultation deadline.
- **Social media** - 3 posts promoting the survey.

## 3. Consultation Overview

Residents were invited to provide feedback on their preferred active recreation option for Roy Lander Reserve through the online survey via Making Marion.

In total, during this consultation period Council received 46 survey responses.

A full summary of all responses to each survey question and relevant customer event feedback is provided within this report. Responses have been listed as worded by the respondent. For privacy reasons, respondents' details will not be included in a public report.

## 4. Consultation Findings

Overall, the active recreation options for Roy Lander Reserve received positive comments and constructive feedback. In summary:

- A total of 266 visits were recorded to the project's Making Marion web page where residents could access the active recreation options.
- 46 responses to the survey were received.

The following points were made clear in the consultation:

- The budget may only allow for one or two of the active recreation options to be delivered.
- The existing cricket net will be demolished and removed as part of this project and will only be returned if chosen as a high preference.

## 5. Summary of feedback received

The table below identifies some of the concerns and items raised regarding the open space upgrade and how the feedback will be considered when finalising the concept design.

Community Feedback	Design Response
An active recreation upgrade was supported by 45/46 respondents	The upgrade will go ahead
The multi sport practice court was the most preferred facility, followed by a Pump Track.	A multi sport court will be constructed. A pump track will also be considered, the size dependent on budget available.
Outdoor fitness equipment was suggested as an alternative option	Fitness equipment will not be considered in line with community priorities from the consultation
Replacement of the tennis court was suggested as an alternative option	The allocated budget for this upgrade will not support a tennis court. The priorities for the upgrade have been determined via the consultation.
A toilet should be considered	<p>A toilet has not been considered as part of this upgrade.</p> <p>The provision of toilets in our open spaces is primarily based on the service levels with the Open Space and Playground Frameworks. Prioritisation regarding the placement of toilets is given to the following open spaces within the service hierarchy level</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State level open space</li> <li>• Regional Playground sites</li> <li>• Regional Open Space</li> </ul>
Addition of dog friendly facilities such as a dog bowl drink fountain should be considered	Addition of a drink fountain and dog bowl will be considered, dependent on budget.
Increased picnic and seating facilities should be considered, including a BBQ.	Increased furniture will be considered, dependent on budget.
Review current turf area	Minor improvements will be made to the turf area as irrigation is upgraded.
If cricket net is installed, make wicket artificial turf	Renewal of the cricket net was not supported as a preferred priority. The cricket net will be removed.
How many reserves are named after men / women?	<p>Most of the open spaces in the City of Marion are named after the street adjoining the reserve. However, some reserves are named for people of significance to the area. There are three reserves named after women:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elizabeth Ryan Reserve</li> <li>• Joan Herraman Reserve</li> <li>• Marie Griegan Playground</li> </ul> <p>And three reserves named after men:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roy Lander Reserve</li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Graham Watts Reserve</li><li>• Ben Pethick reserve</li></ul>
Parking with increased development may be an issue	Traffic Studies will be conducted before and after construction to determine if action is needed.



SURVEY RESULTS

Q1 Do you support an upgrade for active recreation at this site?



Summary of results: The majority of respondents (97.8%) support an active recreation upgrade at this site.

Q2 What age group are the children in your household (or that you care for)?



Summary of results:  
Children 5 – 12 were the predominant age group.

- Question options  
(Click items to hide)
- 0-3 years old
  - 3-5 years old
  - 5-12 years old
  - 12+



**Q3 Rank your preferred recreation options? (1= most preferred, 7 = least preferred)**

OPTIONS	AVG. RANK
d. Multi-sports practice court (including combined basketball and netball) goal shooting only space	2.80
g. Pump track	3.55
e. Fenced Pickleball court	3.84
b. New cricket net with concrete pitch	3.87
a. Kick-about lawn with multi-sports goals (soccer and Aussie rules)	3.97
c. Disc golf driving range	4.24
f. Bocce court	4.68

**Summary of results**

Multi Sport Practice Court was the most preferred option , followed by pump track and Pickleball court.

**Q4. Do you have another recreation option not described above?**

outdoor gym, more benches, water dispenser for pets
Full basketball court Work out equipment for all ages
Would be good to have some gym/fitness equipment
Dog park
Tennis. Replacing the tennis court that was removed from the park previously would be really fantastic for the community. An outdoor gym would also be really good.
Skate Park, replace the skate ramp you removed. Do not put in a sports court no one used the old one and you only just removed it.
Family friendly dog training/social park (where the old tennis court was - the embankments would dampen any barking - perfect area for it)
There is perfect space for a boutique cafe. Great view and plenty of room for the kids to play safely while parent can meet.
A quiet garden area for meditation, yoga and Tai chi would be amazing, especially in the shelter of the old quarry semi circle.



Pickle ball courts would be great, as kids can use them as junior tennis courts, however an actually full sized tennis court could be an idea as you could also have basketball and netball on the same courts like at the Seaview High School courts
Tennis Court
Fitness equipment for 12 years plus age range (such as at Dover Gardens)
Disc golf obstacle putting course
Learn to ride track.
Park-style gym equipment
Skate park. Need something badly in the area. Even just a half pipe
Picnic area with seats Giant net swing Flying fox
Tennis. A court used to be there it has now been removed
Toilets and more play spaces for toddlers. Your options are quite minimal and all centred around ball sports.
Tennis courts
Walking.
A fenced Multi-sports full sized Tennis court / half sized Basketball & Netball court would be my most preferred option.
Full Tennis court
Gym equipment
Small beginners skate park or half pipe

#### Summary of results:

Other activity	Number of comments
Outdoor Fitness Equipment	7
More furniture / Picnic area	2
Drink fountain with dog bowl	1
Full basketball court	1
Dog Park	2
Tennis court	7
Skate Park / Half Pipe	3
Café	1
Quiet garden area	1
Learn to ride track	1
More play equipment	2
Toilets	1

Outdoor Fitness equipment and a full tennis court are the most preferred other options.



**Q5. Any other comments?**

Would be good to have some gym/fitness equipment. Something like what they have long the beach

If the cricket net is installed, having artificial turf rather than concrete would be great.

Given the size of the usable area, a bbq with shade and seating on the flat area overlooking the city would be great.

There could be more than 2 selected to be constructed as the area has ample room.

I love this space and taking my dogs walking through this area, although it would be nice to have a dog water station rather than a tap and old pot.

Hopefully a toilet will be looked at for this redevelopment, as its an amazing park, but you can only visit for a limited time as if someone needs to use the toilet you need to go home!!

It is fantastic that council are exploring opportunities to upgrade this park. The playground there is wonderful, but I feel the park is under utilised, so it is great to see Council exploring ways that local residents can get more out of the space. I really hope council can take into account the changing demographic of the area and plan for the future. It has already started, and with the changes to development regulations, I expect many more younger families like ours will move to the area. It would be great to see the park catering to children, with something that is universally attractive to all children - like a multi sport court or a footy oval. It would be a real shame in my opinion to spend limited council funds on something niche like a bocce court or disc golf. It's also worth mentioning that I have never seen cricket nets being used - I would not suggest wasting money making them any better.

A note for future planning - it would be great to see a picnic table with a shade installed - even a bbq.

Great idea so long as its done in a way that doesn't disrupt the peace and tranquillity of residents adjoining the reserve, which then reduces quality of life.

Increase mowing regularity, often lawn gets too long and clippings are then left on top of the lawn causing terrible allergy impacts for residents around the grounds.

Plans for the area look great and can't wait to see the development

I'd recommend speaking with SA Disc Golf for advice and/or assistance with a disc golf facility. Cricket, football and soccer are well catered for around Adelaide. It would be nice to have some alternatives catered for too.

It's our closest walking park and I'd just love it to be more toddler friendly. My older child can go off and play, while my toddler can only go on the swings.  
Since this area is sloping any option for my child to learn to ride around here, would be greatly appreciated.

Parking and traffic is a concern for us in Judith Court. One neighbour frequently parks a selection of his - earthmover, 3 cars, 2 trailers in the court, another his truck, trailer with earthmover, in the court; makes a tight fit for any other users.





When considering the upgrades, the current turf should be reviewed, as it is currently, it is very thick and fast going, resulting in excessive amounts of grass clippings after mowing. This looks bad and can become a bit smelly.
Thank you for doing this
Add a half pipe:)
Please include toilets. It's the one major drawback of the park as it currently exists. It's otherwise an awesome park, a hidden gem especially for older kids.
Additional seating at upper oval not just at playground to supervise
It would be nice to see at least one reserve named after a woman. How many reserves are named after men in the city of Marion? About time we see equality and have equal number of reserves named after women as there is men.
Be great to have upgraded we love this park, it needs BBQ facilities and shelter plus cricket and basketball updates
Love to see playground bbq facilities and toilets with picnic area so families can host kids birthday parties for a great community atmosphere. Great example near Marion outdoor pool for shady BBQ facilities with kids entertainment and toilets
Turf cricket nets please
<p>The Roy Lander Reserve really only serves 3 suburbs: Seacliff Park, Seaview Downs and Secombe Heights and ONLY the more elevated parts which is barely the most southerly half of these suburbs. We doubt children or even teenagers will walk a kilometre or more uphill, especially in the warmer 6 months of the year, to access this Reserve.</p> <p>We are unable to answer Q2 as there are NO children in our household.</p> <p>The 2021 statistics from the ABS give the "Average Number of People per Household" in the above three suburbs as "2.4, 2.6 and 2.6" respectively. This can be extrapolated to indicate that there is an average of only about half a child in each household.</p> <p>Therefore with limited access and the low number of children in the area one would anticipate very poor usage of any sporting facilities provided by Council. This is the case with the covered 'swings and roundabouts' installed at great expense - we often walk through the Reserve and there is almost never any children playing on this equipment.</p> <p>If children or teenagers were driven to the Reserve there is very limited parking available as there are only 3 cul-de-sacs that give access. Maybe one of these could be extended into the Reserve to provide parking but even the easiest one to give vehicle access (Davey Cres) would cost an inordinate amount of rates money just for the carpark compared to the service provided to us ratepayers.</p> <p>There is no way we think that the Council could justify the expense of installing sporting facilities given the current situation. We suggest that Council revisits this proposal in 10 years or so when the suburb demographic may include more children and, perhaps, bike paths may provide some access or there may be more funds for a carpark.</p> <p>There is a lot of merit in maintaining the open space and trees in our neighbourhoods.</p>



I remain disappointed that the original tennis court located at this reserve was removed circa 2017/18. While the court was a little tired and dated my family and friends enjoyed playing there. Hence my preference for them to be reinstated.

Please be dog friendly

Toilet and bbq

My kids currently attend Seaview primary and there are no cricket nets at the school to practice. If we were to get some here it would be a great place the school teams can practices

#### Summary of results:

Comment	
Fitness activities	1
BBQ and increased benches / tables	6
Drink Fountain with dog bowl	2
Skate facilities	1
Learn to ride area	1
Toilets	3
Artificial turf on wickets	2
Review existing irrigated turf	1
No upgrade	1

**Q6. Suburb**

Seaview Downs	36
Seacombe Heights	5
Marino	1
Glenelg East	1
Hawthorndene	1
Hackham West	1
Seacliff Park	1

**Q8. Street name**

Street name	Number of respondents
Eyre Street, Seaview Downs	3
Kara Road, Seaview Downs	2
Davey Crescent, Seaview Downs	11
Braeside Avenue, Seacombe Heights	2
Ann Street, Seaview Downs	1
Ravine Street, Marino	1
Fowler Street, Seaview Downs	4
Morphett Road, Seaview Downs	3
Krowalle Crescent, Hawthorndene	1
Murat Street, Seaview Downs	1
Judith Court, Seaview Downs	2
Vintners Walk, Hackham West	1
John Street, Seacliff Park	1
Waite Road, Seacombe Heights	1
Gooronga, Seaview Downs	2
Chandada, Seaview Downs	1
Crystal Street, Seacombe Heights	1
Karkoo Street, Seaview Downs	1
Wandana Avenue, Seaview Downs	2



# ATTACHMENTS

## Attachment 1: Concept Plan



Roy Lander Reserve will be undergoing an upgrade in 2024/2025 as part of the City of Marion Open Space Plan. The upgrade will include active recreation and a new irrigation system to a portion of the reserve.



A. Irrigated kick-about lawn



B. Cricket net



C. Disc golf



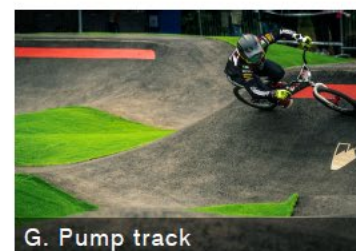
D. Multi-sports court



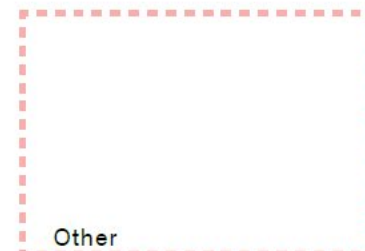
E. Pickleball courts



F. Bocce court



G. Pump track



Other

## ROY LANDER RESERVE ACTIVE RECREATION OPTIONS

