



YOUR SAY

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FEEDBACK REPORT

KNOX PARK MULTI-USE SPORTS PARK

INTRODUCTION

The draft Knox Park Multi-use Sport Park Concept Plan has been prepared to guide the development of sport and recreation facilities at Knox Park.

The Southern Athletics Club (SAC) approached City of Onkaparinga in 2017 seeking a permanent home for athletics in the southern metropolitan region and Knox Park in Morphett Vale was identified as a potential location.

Following the completion of a Knox Park Feasibility Study and community engagement for an amendment to the Community Land Management Plan (CLMP), Council resolved at a meeting on 11 September 2018 to commence development of a site masterplan (hereon referred to as a concept plan) to progress a multi-use (including athletics) sporting facility at Knox Park.

Council also approved an amendment to the CLMP which reclassified Knox Park from a 'reserve' to a 'district level sportsground'.

Since 2018, council has undertaken several investigations to inform the design and has been working closely with the SAC to develop a draft Concept Plan to guide the staged development of Knox Park into a multi-use sports park.

The draft Knox Park Multi-use Concept Plan has been designed to provide a home ground for athletics as well as providing flexible turf playing space that can accommodate soccer, AFL football and other turf sports.

The draft Concept Plan is broken into short, medium and long-term priorities. The plan is future-proofed and identifies long-term actions which can be accommodated subject to changes in demand and funding.

Delivery of the complete concept plan (short, medium and long-term priorities) will:

- Provide a home ground for SAC
- Maximise flexibility and opportunities for athletics and other turf-based sports
- Deliver an attractive sports and passive recreation park
- Enhance the passive recreation opportunities for adjacent communities including an upgraded playground and perimeter walking trail
- Improve pedestrian linkages
- Assess traffic management requirements including access and car parking for future use
- Enhance the tree canopy and environmental sustainability.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Previous community engagement was undertaken in May 2018 to determine the support for a proposed change in CLMP classification of Knox Park from 'reserve' to 'sportsground'. A total of 201 submissions were received with 92% (184) of respondents in support of the amendment.

Preliminary engagement has been undertaken with the SAC to identify current and future requirements for an athletics home ground. This information has informed the draft concept plan.

The purpose of the community engagement was:

- To engage with key stakeholders (Clubs) seeking input into the design of the sports field and supporting sports infrastructure (for athletics and other turf-based sports)
- To understand from key stakeholders their sports facility needs
- Consult the local community, gauge support for the concept plan, identify any issues and seek local knowledge which may impact on the design.
- Inform the community of all aspects of the concept, the short, medium and long-term actions.

The objectives of the community engagement were:

- To engage with key stakeholders most impacted to seek input into the design
- Provide opportunities for the community to have their say on the concept design, gauge the level of support for the project, and seek local knowledge which may inform the plan.
- Identify any issues that need to be addressed
- To keep all stakeholders informed of progress of the project and how their feedback may have influenced/contributed to the plan.
- Through evaluation, more than 75% of engaged participants find it easy to engage with us. (This evaluation will occur when rounding back to the community with the outcomes/decisions made. An evaluation report will be made available)

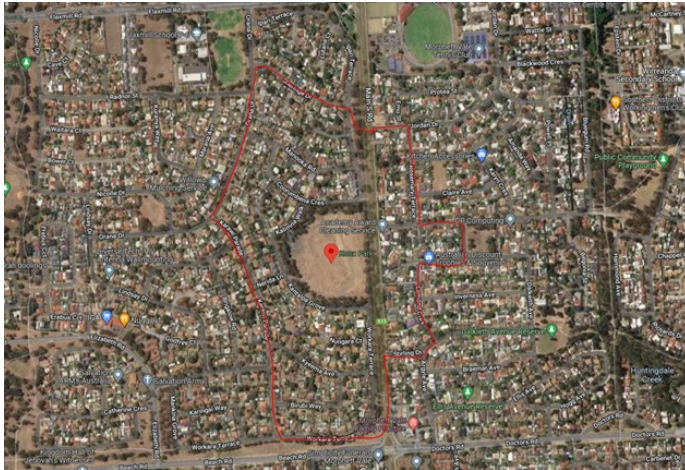
ENGAGEMENT TECHNIQUES

During the engagement period a Knox Park local residents group formed via Facebook in response to concerns with aspects of the draft concept plan. A spokesperson from this group presented a deputation to Council on 21 June 2022 outlining a number of concerns with the draft concept plan. A Notice of Motion (NOM) was presented by Councillor de Graaf to the adjourned 21 June 2022 Council meeting held on 23 June 2022.

In response to the deputation and Notice of Motion, the engagement period was extended from 25 May to 22 June 2022 to 25 May to 30 June 2022.

Engagement techniques used included:

- Your Say Onkaparinga website page consisting of background information, 'Frequently Asked Questions', draft Concept Plan, and feedback tools.
- Emails (a total of 1,963) sent to stakeholders listed on the Community Group Register and registered members including 256 sports related.
- Roadside banners were erected along Main South Road adjacent Knox Park and two on-site signs were erected in the reserve.
- City of Onkaparinga corporate website provided a link through to the Your Say page.
- Letters were sent to members of council's First Nations Peoples Advisory Group seeking comment on the draft concept plan.
- Elected Member update.
- Letters were delivered on 25 May 2022 to approximately 370 properties surrounding Knox Park



- Facebook Post on the City of Onkaparinga's corporate Facebook site.
- An on-site drop-in session was held on Saturday 18 June 2022 between 2pm and 4pm and included the collection of feedback from adults and children.
- Meetings were held with key stakeholders:
 - meeting on 30 June 2022 with two representatives of the Local Residents Group, SAC, Athletics SA, Mayor McMahon, Cr De Graaf and council staff.
 - A follow-up meeting was held on 14 July 2022 with just the resident group representatives and staff.
 - Noarlunga Districts Junior Soccer Association on 13 July 2022.

EVALUATION

A summary of the Knox Park multi-use sports park engagement on the Your Say webpage is as follows:

- 719 people visited the Your Say Onkaparinga project page
- 313 people downloaded a document (ie. concept plan)
- 427 people were **informed** about the project; and
- 111 people were **engaged** about the project.

Of those engaged, 96 were City of Onkaparinga residents, including 37 from Morphett Vale. The remaining 14 were located outside of our city and one entry was not valid and no information recorded.

The majority of traffic was generated from social media with the email and newsletter the secondary traffic source.

In addition to the above, approximately 30 to 40 people attended the on-site engagement drop-in session.

A formal evaluation of the engagement process will take place when a decision has been made and the community notified of the outcomes of the project.

SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES

The community engagement outcomes show that the majority of respondents are in support of the draft Knox Park Multi-use Sports Park concept plan.

Online Survey

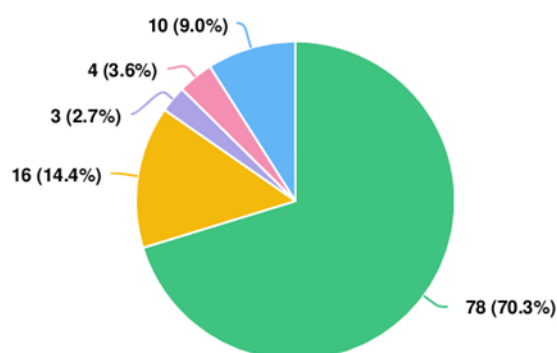
During the engagement period, 111 people provided feedback via the online survey.

The survey asked respondents to tell us how much they supported the draft Knox Park Multi-use Sports Ground.

A summary of these responses is as follows:

- 84.7% (94) responses were **supportive** of the proposal
- 2.7% (3) responses were **impartial** or unclear
- 12.6% (14) responses were **not in favour** of the proposal. The majority of those not in favour are local residents living close to Knox Park.

To what extent do you support the concept plan?



Question options

● Strongly support
 ● Support
 ● Neither support or not support
 ● Do not support
 ● Strongly do not support

Survey respondents were provided an opportunity to **comment** and those not in support of the draft concept plan were asked to **provide reasons for not supporting the plan**.

Verbatim comments are included in **appendix A** and these are summarised by themes in the following table.

Table 1: Summary of comments by theme - Survey

Supportive	Impartial	Not in Favour
Main South Road access Additional facilities Car Parking Fencing Playground	Reduced access for unstructured use Car parking Artificial turf Main South Road access	Wildlife / plantings Increased noise Car parking and traffic Car park and buildings to move to Main South Road side of the

		park Community engagement Artificial turf Unwanted people/vandalism
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Responses to these themes are provided in Table 3 below.

On-site engagement drop-in session.

Approximately 30 to 40 residents and users of the sports park attended the on-site information session held on 20 June 2022.

Written comments can be found in [appendix B](#) and these have been summarised by theme in the table below.

Table 2: Summary of comments by theme – Drop-in Session

Theme
Traffic / car parking Toilets Buildings to move to the Main South Road side of the park Additional facilities

Children attending the session were given the opportunity to draw their 'perfect' playground. These drawings are provided in [appendix C](#). Suggestions are provided in the Summary Table below.

Theme
Flying fox Monkey/parallel bars Trampoline Slides Swings Ninja warrior junior Climbing wall/rope climbing nets Water/nature play Pump track

Meeting with representatives from a local residents' group

During the engagement period a Knox Park local residents group formed via Facebook in response to concerns with aspects of the draft concept plan. There are 34 Facebook members. A spokesperson from this group presented a deputation to Council on 21 June 2022 outlining their concerns. The group also distributed a flyer ([appendix D](#)) to local residents.

In response to this deputation and a Notice of Motion presented to the Council meeting on 23 June 2022, a meeting was held on 30 June 2022 with two spokespeople from this group. Council staff, Mayor McMahon and Councillor De Graaf attended the meeting. A follow up meeting was held on 14 July 2022 with staff and the two spokespeople.

The spokespeople emphasised that the residents' group are supportive of the sports park upgrade but have concerns with aspects of the design. The main concerns include the location of the proposed buildings (toilet and shed), vehicle access and car parking on the residential side of Knox Park. Residents are concerned with increased traffic and car parking along the local streets, security and visual impact of buildings to adjacent residents.

In order to address these concerns, the group requested that all buildings and car parking be located on the Main South road side of Knox Park away from the residential side of Knox Park. This would require a direct access off Main South road into either Coorumbena Crescent or Kantalpa Grove and into a new car park.

Responses to the issues raised by the group are summarised in Table 3 below.

Noarlunga Districts Junior Soccer Association

A meeting with this Association was held on 13 July 2022. The Association is interested in using Knox Park as a home ground and for Saturday matches in terms 3 and 4. This Association runs a school-based competition and operate indirectly through Football South Australia. A total of 20 schools participate in this competition and teams range in age from Under 6s to Under 13s.

The teams operate out of school ovals (training and matches).

The Association is interested in using Knox Park as a venue for their representative teams to meet for semi-finals and finals. This would involve Saturday afternoons in June (state championships) and August (country championships).

Council will work the Association and consider Knox Park as an option in the future once we are clearer about future users.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AND PROPOSED RESPONSES OR RECOMMENDATIONS

A summary of main comments received on the draft concept plan is included in Table 3 below along with our responses and/or recommendations.

Table 3: Summary of main comments received on the draft Concept Plan

Issue / suggested improvement (who raised the issue)	Response
Car parking and increased traffic Concern with increased traffic and car parking in the local streets <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 21 survey respondents 	The draft concept plan is staged into short, medium and long-term priorities. The available budget for the stage 1 development of Knox Park multi-use sports park is \$2.2m and this does not include any changes to the current car park or provision of access from Main South Road. Stage 1 proposes use of the existing

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9 comments in the drop-in session • Local residents' group <p>Main South Road access in short-term priorities</p> <p>A direct access off Main South Road will divert traffic away from residential streets and address concerns with increased traffic and car parking on the residential side of Knox Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 survey respondents • 2 comments from the drop-in session • Local residents' group 	<p>access and car park (40 car park spaces).</p> <p>It is envisaged that the current car park will provide sufficient car park spaces to meet expected demand in early years following the development. There will be times where the local streets will be used for parking and there would be a range of measures available to manage this if required including introducing traffic controls such as line marking, no parking signs and off-road overflow car parking.</p> <p>The traffic and car parking will be monitored over time and if use increases and funding is secured, this could trigger the need for a car park extension or new access off Main South Road, which are both identified as long-term priorities in the concept plan.</p> <p>To bring forward these priorities and accommodate them in stage 1 would require a substantial additional budget.</p> <p>Recommended amendment to the concept plan:</p> <p>It is recommended that the following two options for a car park extension are provided in the long-term priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • extension to the current car park on the western side of the reserve and • a new car park on the eastern (Main South Road) side of the reserve. <p>The revised long-term concept will include three options for a new vehicle access point off Main South Road (into Kantalpa Grove, into Coorumbena Crescent and directly into the reserve) and be subject to demand, significant funding and Department of Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) approval.</p>
<p>Buildings and car parking to locate on Main South Road side of Knox Park away from residents</p> <p>Concerns with the location of the proposed on the residential side of the park (visual impact and security)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 survey respondents • 4 comments in the drop-in session • Local residents' group <p>The toilet facility should be secure with adequate lighting and be</p>	<p>The toilets will have adequate lighting and will be locked at night.</p> <p>In response to concerns raised in the engagement, the following two options were discussed with the local residents' group spokespeople:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 1: Retain the buildings (toilet and shed) on the western side of Knox Park but move the buildings further east and down the existing sloped embankment. <p>Advantage: this option reduces the visual impact from residences and retains the toilet in close proximity to the playground and existing carpark.</p> <p>Disadvantage: One of the spokespeople was concerned with security issues and the potential for anti-social behaviour to congregate around these buildings.</p>

lockable

- 6 comments in the drop-in session

- **Option 2:** Move the buildings to the Main South Road side of the park

Advantages: the buildings and security concerns would be away from the residential side of the park

Disadvantages: The playground and car park (and vehicle access) are currently located on the western side of the reserve. There is no existing vehicle access or car parking on the eastern side of the reserve. If the toilet and sheds are moved to the east, this will trigger the need for the following (at significant additional cost):

- o requirement for disability access and DDA compliant car parking to access the toilet
- o vehicle access to the sheds and toilet
- o due to the large distance from the playground (180m around the oval), this would require the playground to be moved closer to the toilet (ie to the eastern side)
- o a new car park located next to the playground with a new entrance and exit from either Main South Road and/or from Kantalpa Grove or Coorumbena Crescent.

The spokespeople's preference is for option 2 above but it was suggested that option 1 may be acceptable as a compromise subject to the buildings being located along the eastern edge of the current car park rather than opposite the Nerida intersection.

The spokespeople wanted to go back to the local residents' group before providing Council with further feedback on this. We were subsequently advised that the local residents' group would not provide further feedback on this issue and would seek a review of the community engagement process.

In response to the security concerns raised above, council's security team conducted a Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) audit of the site and reviewed the building location options. From a CPTED perspective the original location identified in the draft concept plan is the preferred location as it has good natural surveillance from Kalimna Walk, Nerida Lane and Kantalpa Grove.

An alternative location (option 1 above) further down the hill and to the east of the car park was also acceptable with natural surveillance from the surrounding streets.

The proposed upgrade of the playground (and sports fields) in close proximity to the buildings in either location on the western side of Knox Park would increase use and therefore public surveillance of the site.

Option 2 with the toilet located along Main South Road, while

	<p>having good surveillance, would provide an easy access and exit and provide more opportunity for vandalism (and potentially exacerbate security concerns).</p> <p>Recommended amendment to the concept plan - location of buildings:</p> <p>It is recommended that Option 1 is supported and the buildings are moved to the east of the current car park and down the sloped embankment.</p>
<p>Vegetation and wildlife</p> <p>Need to retain/enhance native trees and plantings; and concern that the proposed development will disturb local wildlife (koalas and native sweat bees)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 survey respondents • Local residents' group 	<p>A substantial budget of \$200,000 has been earmarked in stage 1 of the project for priority landscaping and tree planting. The proposed development of Knox Park into a multi-use sports park will enhance and not reduce the number of trees or understorey vegetation on the northern, western or southern edges of Knox Park.</p> <p>The existing eucalyptus trees (western Australian 'swamp yate') along the eastern boundary of Knox Park and western verge of Main South Road were planted approximately 30 years ago. These are in poor condition and the species is unsuited to the local conditions. During a storm event last year many (approximately 30) trees fell over. The remaining swamp yate trees are in poor health however and most will require removal and replacement as part of Council's standard tree management processes due to safety concerns.</p> <p>We have been successful in receiving \$20,000 from the Planting Trees for the Queen's Jubilee grants program for a row of approximately 50 large (at maturity) feature trees at the boundary of Knox Park and South Road. These will provide shade for walkers and an attractive and defining environmental edge to the proposed Knox Park upgrade.</p> <p>A separate community engagement process will be undertaken for the Queen's Jubilee tree planting program.</p>
<p>Increased noise</p> <p>The sports park will create noise in a quiet neighbourhood</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 survey respondents • Local residents' group 	<p>Some increased noise is an inevitable outcome of a sports park but this can be managed to some extent by limiting the times of operation through future leasing arrangements.</p>
<p>Artificial turf</p> <p>Concern with artificial turf heating up in summer and releasing fumes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 survey respondents • Local residents' group 	<p>Synthetic turf is identified in the northern 'D' shaped section of the oval in the long-term priorities (plan 2, attachment 2). In the longer term a durable surface will be required in this high use area for throw and jump modalities (discus, javelin, shotput and high jump). In the future if Stage 2 was to be funded the use of a synthetic pitch area would need to be reviewed against council guidelines, best practice and community concerns.</p> <p>Recommended amendment to the concept plan:</p>

	Reference to synthetic turf be removed from the long-term priorities plan and be amended to: 'durable surface subject to best practice guidelines'.
Additional facilities Suggestions for additional facilities included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> shelters/gazebos (drop-in – 5 responses) barbeque (survey – 1 response, drop-in – 4 responses) drinking fountain and dog bowl (drop-in – 4 responses, survey – 2 responses) dog park (survey – 2 responses, drop-in – 3 responses) basketball (survey – 4 responses) seating with tables (drop-in – 2 responses) gymnastics, parkour, exercise equipment, pumptrack and bike track around perimeter, skate park, small club room, space for kite flying (each 1 response) 	<p>The current budget, council policy and future priorities will guide the facilities provided at Knox Park. The draft concept plan includes a couple of new shelters with seating (and tables) and a BBQ facility, drinking fountain and dog bowl will be delivered at the site.</p> <p>There is limited space for a reasonably sized dog park in Knox Park. Council's Open Space Strategic Management Plan 2018-2023 defines council's current service level which is to provide three dog exercise parks across the city. These are located at Minkarra Park, Flagstaff Hill, Dinton Farm Reserve, Melsetter Rd Huntfield Heights and Symonds Reserve Aldinga. In response to a State Government grant, Council recently approved development of a fourth dog park in Woodcroft. This is 6km away in close proximity to Knox Park.</p> <p>Knox Park will continue to be available for the off-leash exercise of dogs outside scheduled sports activities and the proposed fencing in the medium-term priorities will address the safety of walkers and dogs.</p>
Playground suggestions A number of suggestions were made regarding the playground <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 survey respondents 5 children drew their 'perfect' playground ideas at the drop-in session 	<p>The playground will commence in 2022-23 and will be part of a separate engagement process. Ideas from the drop-in session and survey will feed into this process.</p> <p>Ideas included flying foxes, monkey/parallel bars, trampoline, slides, swings, ninja warrior junior, climbing wall/rope climbing nets, water/nature play and pump track.</p>
Engagement The local community haven't been properly consulted in the development of the draft plan and their concerns raised in 2018 were not addressed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 survey respondents Local residents' group 	<p>Engagement undertaken in 2018 (to reclassify the reserve to a sportsground) received 201 submissions. Six of these objected to the reclassification, 11 were in support but raised concerns and 184 were in support of the proposal. The main concerns covered many of the comments raised in this table and included: car parking, noise, dogs (access to the park), fencing, buildings and public access). Council were provided this information at the 11 September 2018 Council Meeting and decided to approve reclassification of the reserve and the commencement of a site masterplan (concept plan) to progress a multi-use sporting facility at Knox Park.</p> <p>Engagement on the draft concept plan has followed the draft</p>

	<p>community engagement plan presented to Council on 17 May 2022.</p> <p>Engagement on a draft concept plan provides an opportunity for the local community to provide comments on a tangible plan and for council to respond to their concerns.</p>
<p>Fencing</p> <p>Do not want fencing around the oval; do want fencing along Main South Road</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 survey respondents 	<p>Fencing around the oval has been included in the medium-term priorities in the concept plan for safety reasons. This will prevent vehicles from driving onto the oval and will also stop children and visitors from crossing the oval when sports (including throws) are in progress. Fencing around the oval can be designed so that sections are kept open when sports are not using the oval, allowing passive recreation users to cross the oval easily.</p> <p>Fencing along Main South Road has also been included in medium-term priorities.</p>
<p>Property values</p> <p>Concern that increased traffic and the location of the toilet block will decrease the value of properties along Nerida Lane and Kantalpa Grove</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> local residents' group 	<p>Locating next to a sports park is a matter of individual preference and opinions will vary on this matter. For example, a number of people living adjacent the park who attended the drop-in session said they were strongly supportive of the draft concept plan and a sports park.</p>

The figure below shows the weighting by frequency of issues/suggested improvements:



Overall the community engagement process was successful in achieving the objectives of informing the community and stakeholders of the project and seeking feedback on the draft concept plan. In response to these comments, a number of amendments to the concept plan have been recommended (as outlined in Table 3 above).

APPENDICES

- A. Verbatim comments
- B. Written comments from the Drop-in Information Session
- C. Children's' perfect playground ideas from the Drop-In Information Session
- D. Flyer distributed by local residents' group

SIGN OFF

All feedback reports are to be reviewed by the Engagement Unit (engagement@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au)

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Share your thoughts on the draft concept plan?

SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT

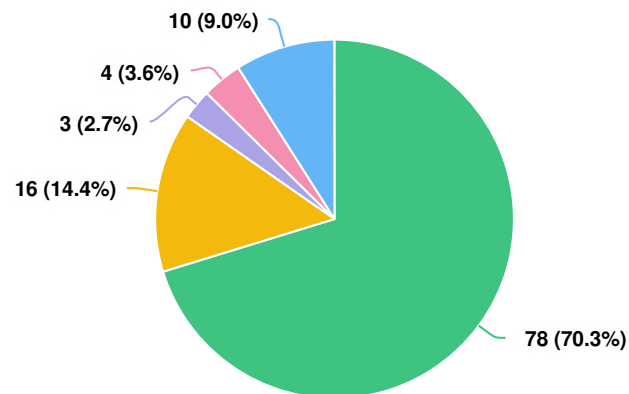
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PROJECT NAME:

Knox Park Multi-Use Sports Park

SURVEY QUESTIONS

Q1 To what extent do you support the concept plan?



Question options

● Strongly support ● Support ● Neither support or not support ● Do not support ● Strongly do not support

Optional question (111 response(s), 0 skipped)

Question type: Radio Button Question

Q2 | Please tell us why you don't support the concept plan

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5/25/2022 10:16 AM

This should be turned into a nature play area. There's already sporting centres in the south.

Screen Name Redacted

6/16/2022 08:16 PM

Finance. \$1.1 million council contribution. I support the concept but not at this time. Financially it is a very difficulty time for many people. Food, fuel, power and council rates cost increases. The council should also show some financial constraint. There is already too much waste in our community.

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7/04/2022 01:48 PM

As a local resident living and owning on the edge of Knox Park, I don't feel that adequate engagement and consultation have been made with those living in the vicinity of the park. I STRONGLY OPPOSE any form of fake turf or rubberized surfaces being used at any stage of the project. These surfaces when they get hot (even on a mid 20 degree day) can be over 80 degrees to touch and release a smell of burning car tyres. The chemicals and glues used to install them also release toxic chemicals. Neither of these is safe for people to use after installation or be around when it is done. There is no way to stop dogs from using the turf as a lavatory facility which causes bigger issues to maintain it. I am also allergic to the smell of many of these chemicals so using them puts me at risk in my own home. In addition, there is no need for it in this location as you are suggesting putting it in an unused portion of the design. The edge between any soccer/football fields would then become a transition tripping hazard and result in more injury than supporting anything. I STRONGLY oppose any fake turf. See where this has caused issues at other councils from the install:

<https://www.9news.com.au/national/community-group-from-banksia-takes-council-to-court-after-synthetic-turf-reaches-88-degrees-celsius/f714c5d5-b9be-472e-aaa2-6b1facbb7cff> I STRONGLY

OPPOSE number 10 on the second stage of the design, the opening to South Road. These streets are narrow with limited space when one vehicle is parked on the side of the road, not to mention having two vehicles parked on the side of the street. Having any form of opening of the streets at either end of the park to South Road will increase traffic, making the streets more dangerous for our children. My suggestion would be to have a carpark and toilet/storage facilities on the South road border of the park that does not connect to the residential streets. Surely having access straight into a carpark off South Road provides easier access as many are travelling from out of the area to join. I question whether any investigations have been done into having a small toilet block (that is only open during sporting

events) and small storage shed done on the South Road side of the space. I understand a need to have them for these sports and don't want to discount them completely but I don't feel the positions currently indicated on the plan are in the best interests of the sporting clubs or the residents. As a resident, I have some reservations about the drug use and crime that might come with a facility like this, particularly if it is open all the time. Knowing the challenges going on with conduct at Wirrenda High School and that many of these students live in the local streets, I don't want this facility to become a hang-out or area for trading drugs, vaping, or other illegal activities. Sometimes items are found in the playground currently to avoid children getting hurt. Teenagers/tweens rove the streets along here on bikes without helmets causing issues and even drunken behaviour is reported regularly to police around this park. I'd be more inclined to support this aspect of the design if it was away from residential housing and in a location where people constantly driving along South Road could monitor it. Further information is needed on this. I HIGHLY SUPPORT the changes to the playground. The current facilities are rusted, dangerous and don't support any young children to play. These facilities are in dire need of an upgrade. They would be used a lot more if they were in better condition. There are always families wandering around the park or taking their dogs to the area to run around. Due to the range of accessibility needs of residents, having accessible features and a nature-based focus on the play space would be highly encouraged. I have no issue with the irrigation (as long as it is recycled water) and grass based running track. Any throwing events, I agree to have headed in the same direction as on the plan (throwing south). I support IN THEORY an athletics group using the space but feel that not enough information has been provided on what the logistics of this are going to look like. How often will it be used? What access will local residents have to the park? Can we continue to use the space as we do? What purposes would they need lights? Athletics is a summer sport when we have daylight savings hours. Soccer and AFL as winter sports occur mostly during the day. There are other facilities in the direct vicinity of this park that would support these other sports at night time and they are already equipped for this. I would not support sports events occurring outside of EPA rubbish collection/street sweeping timeframes for noise provided (9 am and 7 pm on a Sunday or public holiday, or between 7 am and 7 pm on any other day.) I do wonder what suggestions are being made for starting races as pistols or starting guns are likely to stir up local dogs and cause additional anxiety for people. I have anxiety issues around loud noises like bangs from fireworks or backfiring cars. View why Olympics don't use starter pistols - <https://www.mentalfloss.com/article/31429/why-they-stopped-using-real-pistols-start-olympic-races> The planting of additional trees and shrubs I support IN THEORY, but feel the location needs reviewing or at least negotiation with the local residents along the edge of the

park. I purchased my property due to the view across into the park and then it didn't feel like I was closed into a tight suburban area. If shrubs were planted to stop that view I would be extremely upset. I have had discussions with my real estate agent, this would reduce the value of my property. I STRONGLY oppose any changes that will impact the value of my property and my financial position. I have previously contacted the council about a large amount of loss of tree coverage around this park (which is not indicated on this plan). I support the re-planting of additional tree and shrub coverage along the South Road boundary of the park. Any further changes to planting should be made in consultation with the resident directly opposite that area. The consideration of any footpaths through the treed areas or mulching should only be done if a full independently environmental impact study is completed. While I see the benefits of the path, my suggestion would be to complete the existing footpath (like along the edge of Coorumbena Crescent) along the boundary of the park rather than putting another one through the vegetated sections. Through my university studies last semester, I discovered that the ground below the trees along the boundary of the park and open grassed areas in the park are actually home to ground burrow sweat bees. These bees (Family: Halictidae) are only 2-3mm in size and prefer to burrow into clay-based soils to nest. Given the clay-based nature of the soil in Knox Park and it is a perfect habitat for them. As vital pollinators, they are important to protect. This means considerations on maintenance of the park (no pesticides, herbicides, or chemicals), use of line marking chemicals by any sporting club, and restrictions on construction workers should be of high importance for the environmental future. My suggestion would be the development of a council-wide policy for the management of parks to support pollinators (Pollinator-Friendly Parks Policy). This is part of your DUTY OF CARE to protect the environment from climate change and environmental damage. I don't support any fencing as this may restrict the space being used for other community events, fetes, car club gatherings, etc. I would support investigations into how to stop motorbikes and cars driving directly across the park as they do now. Even the other day there was a van pulled up overnight on the grassed area. I don't feel that any consideration for any grandstands, sportsrooms or clubrooms is required. Toilet facilities will be enough to allow changing if required, bathrooms during events and small storage space for equipment of high jump mats, etc. Little more than this would be required at the current facilities that are hired at a high school. I don't support any venues that may require liquor licensing as there are nearby venues that offer those facilities. I don't support any venues that encourage events to run after 7pm at night. There are children that live around the park that need to get to sleep.

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I think that fake grass is not the best option and would prefer real

7/04/2022 02:18 PM

grass where possible. I would prefer there to be a carpark and toilet/storage facilities on the South road border of the park that does not connect to the residential streets because a highlight of this area is how quiet it is and how safe the roads are due to the lack of car traffic.

Optional question (4 response(s), 107 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

Q3 | Please tell us why you don't support the concept plan

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5/27/2022 01:04 PM

I believe that by involving sporting bodies this amounts to 'stealing the commons'.

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5/29/2022 12:27 PM

I live across the road from the park. This will be a massive disturbance to our life and our dogs. Having a sports park is not needed!

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5/29/2022 12:28 PM

I live across the road and I like it peaceful. Traffic will change. Noise pollution will increase. Wildlife live in the park they will be disturbed.

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5/29/2022 05:50 PM

This will disturb the wildlife and quite area. Traffic will increase so will vandalism of both nature and property. Drivers on south road will be distracted. Its not a good spot to have sports events next to a main road. Its unsafe for children they will be at risk near a main road. These are enough sports venues in the area. We need more national parks and quiet gardens for both people and animals.

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6/03/2022 06:54 PM

Is an athletics club going to actually use the park, otherwise its just subject to disuse and vandalism. Has anyone gathered a survey of how many in the area actually play soccer or do Athletics. Who will use the pitch?

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6/05/2022 03:05 PM

All buildings and car park extensions need to be over South Road side of Knox Park, NOT on the side of the residents.

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6/07/2022 10:26 AM

Living extremely close by I'm concerned for the extra traffic and people parking in the tight streets. Extra noise from the vehicles and on sports day. Potential stress for koalas in the area with influx of people.

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6/14/2022 07:02 PM

I am a long term resident on Kantalpa Grove. One of the reasons I purchased my home was because I love the idea of living opposite a park and having a view over the Adelaide Hills. The proposed grand stand will obstruct this view. We also have koalas frequent the trees opposite my home, in fact a couple of years ago during a heat wave I had one on my front veranda causing my dog to wake me up. I went inside to get it some water and followed it across the road to a tree then spent the next 3 hours holding water up to it and looking after it until Southern Koala Rescue arrived. I am not entirely opposed to development but feel it should be located on the South Road side of Knox Park.

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6/18/2022 04:00 PM

I live across the road and it will not only devalue all the houses in the near area but will bring in unwanted people and if this wasn't what was already suspected why is there thoughts of bringing in "security". The plans for lighting, seating and toilets various other things that are not being shown to the public but being placed when they feel necessary. The noise and lights disturbing all those on the streets adjacent to this not to mention the construction itself. Have no regard to any of the wildlife that is currently residing in this park. Lastly there is NO need for more sports In this area there is so many parks, ovals sports clubs football clubs that can be used this is just rich people blowing money because they can it is unwanted and unneeded spend the money on more important things.

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7/04/2022 09:43 PM

I do not support any buildings being built on Knox park. But I guess that's why you started cutting healthy trees down there

Optional question (10 response(s), 101 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

Q4 | Do you have any further comments?

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5/25/2022 09:50 AM

This park is opposite my home business. Been a shame to see no one using this large, beautiful space with so much potential. This is great news. Looking forward to the trees. And an area (pathways) to walk dogs. Hoping good facilities provided for recycling of rubbish, I notice most often food packaging is usually left behind at other local sports event areas. I'm noticing rubbish ends up in the gutters etc, often occurs on South road (by my business) which I collect myself to appropriately discard. Thank you!

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5/25/2022 10:12 AM

I live opposite this park the other side of south road, Acacia Road. My concerns would be sufficient and good parking to accommodate activities to be held in sports complex. As we know when one group is playing and next group is about to arrive car parking is never enough. The residents around this complex should not be inconvenienced by cars for this venue parking on the streets. Get this right to start with, then you will get less complaints later. These sporting lights are very bright, will there be time restrictions on the lighting? We are in need of more sporting facilities I agree, I do hope an inclusion for all genders has been considered. Also facilities should be usable by disabled people, not only wheelchair bound but all disabilities.

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5/25/2022 10:13 AM

I would like to see not just trees planted but also smaller plants and some undergrowth to help rebuild biodiversity in the area. This could be a great way to provide habitat for smaller birds (finches and wrens). Will we be able to walk dogs on the turf?

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5/25/2022 10:14 AM

I lived in Coorumbena Crescent for nearly 30 years, and my Mum still lives there, and we always hoped for Knox Park to reach its potential as a purpose-built facility for southern athletes and future Olympians! It is good that there will be an entry/exit for Main South Road too. Has any thought been given to BBQ facilities for people to use? This would be nice for the area if it is going to have a bigger playground area. Thankyou for developing this, as my kids and I will have somewhere nice to run around!

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5/25/2022 10:16 AM

As people who live on Nungara Court, We're a bit concerned about the noise levels this will bring to the area and cars parking on Workara Terrace. We live in a nice quiet area and with one of us working shift work, would not support this if it would disturb the peace and quiet of the area. It's a shame this wasn't turned into a nature play area where more native plants could be planted and children taught the importance of our native flora.

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5/25/2022 10:16 AM

All sporting clubs without sufficient turf ovals and any sports building facilities should receive this prior to other clubs with existing facilities, to create a level playing field for all clubs.

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5/25/2022 10:30 AM

My son runs for Flinders Athletic and they train on the grass track on-site at Flinders. Occasionally they get a chance to train at Santos, however a lot of clubs bidding for training slots there. So this will prove

a great other option for clubs like Flinders. And allow them to host Athletic Meets too. I recall after the Sydney Olympics there was a comment made RE the number of 50m swimming pools in Aust v in the UK and the relevance to medals won. Aust of course being well ahead. Then the same was made for Athletics tracks. And again the relationship to medals won by the GB Team was way ahead, based on the fact of the amount of proper athletic tracks in the UK. It's basically, as the movie quotes..."If you you build it....they will come". If you build this track, you will develop a whole new generation of potential athletes, destined for the Olympics and World championships. Something worth considering when implementing infrastructure like this. Next question.....what about a velodrome?

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5/25/2022 01:17 PM

I can't say enough how important this type of ground is important to children like my son who has a disability. These children often can't play footy, but can do athletics as a Para-Athlete. Having a facility like this would have kept at least a dozen para children engaged in sport (that we know of). My son's disability is now almost imperceptible now (thanks to the positive impact his training in athletics has had - the best physio you can do for a child with a disability is sport), but not having a ground locally during the past 7 years has meant we travel 5hrs a week to allow him to access training. Thank you for progressing this, is now a NASS supported Athlete training for World Para Championships next year and on a pathway to Paris in 2024 - Knox Park is the most exciting thing we have seen from Onkaparinga 😊

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5/25/2022 01:31 PM

It'd be great if the plans include an inside basketball court.

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5/25/2022 01:42 PM

It would be great to have that area established after all these years, it would stop the hoons using it as a race track. and somewhere for families to go

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5/25/2022 02:23 PM

A much needed facility here in the South!

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I think it would be a great addition to the South of Adelaide.

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5/25/2022 04:18 PM

What a wonderful facility south of Adelaide!!

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5/25/2022 04:40 PM

I joined SAC as a recreational running member in 2018 and during this time our training sessions have been held at various locations in the southern region. Whilst always enjoyable sessions with an engaged group of athletes there was always a sense of not having a home and a belonging. As a member of the committee I also receive a number of enquiries each week for athletes to join our development academy and get into athletics and recreational runners that wish to join our interval/running sessions. There is always a sense of unease in the responses that are given stating we actually don't have a home ground with enough suitable facilities to have our sessions and therefore we have to run training at multiple locations. This also can make us as a club feel disconnected from the various groups. I truly believe having a home ground will grow our club and increase community engagement - bringing more young athletes to our club rather than them having to look to travel to clubs away from our region to get the facilities they need. We have advocated as a club with our members to have Knox Park as our home ground for many years and its exciting to see the possibility having our Home finally come to fruition. I thoroughly support the concept plans and I am excited for the future of our club and for the young athletes.

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5/25/2022 04:48 PM

Agree with concept plan 2 as has access from Main South Road. I feel this access is more than desirable to eliminate traffic through the residential streets to the south, east and west. Probably require South Rd access at the other end as well !!!

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5/25/2022 05:19 PM

At 1.45 million this could be a synthetic track?

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5/25/2022 05:37 PM

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I am a member of Southern Athletic Club. We are in desperate need

5/25/2022 06:14 PM

of this facility!! My 9 year old daughter is a promising athlete. But as I work full time I am unable to take her to mile end for coaching. Having a home ground would also mean my senior athletes would have somewhere safe to train during dark hours.

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5/25/2022 06:35 PM

This Park has been a sad empty oval for the entire 37 years I've lived in the South. I'm so excited to see this go ahead. Southern Athletic Club are the most amazing group, so welcoming with brilliant trainers and coaches who have all the time for people of all ages and abilities. The sooner this development is up and running the better.

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5/25/2022 07:26 PM

Plan b with the upgraded playground. A skate park would be awesome to.

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5/25/2022 07:27 PM

Looks like a great plan. Safe from main road with fencing, tree planting and more play areas. Will be fantastic to have a track for the Southern suburbs. Well done all

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5/25/2022 07:32 PM

As a former fellow member of the Southern Athletics club I always felt like there were opportunities we missed due to a lack of facilities. I also feel that the multi-use sports park will be incredibly beneficial to our area encouraging more people to take up an active lifestyle.

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5/25/2022 08:19 PM

How will the running track lines be marked out on the grass? Access from South Rd is a good idea too, reducing through traffic for residents. Fence-less on South Rd side would give a nice open feeling too.

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5/25/2022 08:21 PM

This athletics facility is needed as there are no athletics training facilities in the Southern area. We need to travel to Mile End to train at 148km a week! The cost and time is too much. In addition, As a member of SAC our training sessions have been held at various locations in the southern region. Whilst always being enjoyable sessions with an engaged group of athletes there was always a sense of not having a home and a belonging. I truly believe having a home ground will grow our club and increase community engagement - bringing more athletes of all ages to our club rather than them having to look to travel to clubs away from our region to get the facilities they need. It will also allow the club to hold events that bring athletes to our region to compete and the associated boost to the local economy Our members have advocated as a club to have Knox Park as our home ground for many years and it's exciting to see the

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I think it will be a brilliant use of the space to provide quality facilities for community use.

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5/25/2022 08:29 PM

An excellent plan to enhance sporting facilities for our community and provide a permanent home for athletics. Thanks to the Council team for their efforts in creating a worthwhile amenity with funding support from the SA Govt.

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5/25/2022 09:17 PM

We need athletic facilities and club rooms. As a senior runner I have felt unsafe at night time trainings as we quite often have no lighting. It hasn't been easy to stay as a member of the southern sharks with no training facilities. It must be very difficult for Jason as President of this club to retain members and certainly attract new members. It's actually quite appalling and I had no idea until I became a runner when I turned 50. I am happy to volunteer my time if I can be of any assistance in getting this development up and running ♀

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5/25/2022 10:19 PM

Plan seems to make good use of the area

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5/26/2022 06:39 AM

This plan looks wonderful. What an amazing addition for the community.

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5/26/2022 07:33 AM

About time for a good athletics facility in the South - much needed!

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5/26/2022 07:41 AM

good for the community to have a sports complex avail .

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5/26/2022 08:55 AM

The southern suburbs have long needed an established Athletics facility. Without one participation beyond little athletics drops off as the nearest facilities are at Mile End, a considerable drive for participation. The design looks fantastic and will bring life to what is currently a dead grass oval. As an older participant in Athletics, I'm very welcoming of a local track to be able to train and hopefully compete on, while initially the plan talks about local use there is the potential to hold athletics carnivals / events here that will bring people from all over the state and potentially interstate.

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5/26/2022 09:17 AM

Our club (Southern Athletics Club) need a space for our training and events. Our president Jason Stevens has advocated for our club to access this space and the draft plans should go ahead.

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5/26/2022 09:18 AM

Wonderful to have a high quality facility for all to benefit from, inspire people to join and be part of a healthy community in the south.

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5/26/2022 09:45 AM

It is about time something should be done. Was a enjoyable spot years ago. Nice to see beening used again. Especially for kids
Thankyou

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5/26/2022 11:14 AM

Plan 2 looks great, obviously the long term stage. Although FAQs state the project is starting and finishing in 2023 the time-line to long-term completion isn't clear.

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5/26/2022 11:43 AM

Will be a great opportunity for the Southern community

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5/26/2022 01:17 PM

It is a long time coming. We need sporting facilities down south so junior athletes can train locally and be provided with support from the community, rather than having long travel times to Mile End, or just giving up because it's too hard.

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5/26/2022 02:03 PM

There is no facility like this south of city and I'm so excited to see this park developed. As an avid recreational runner it would be great to

have a dedicated area to train and meet like minded individuals. It will help and assist the community in sporting development and allow children to train

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5/26/2022 03:13 PM

As a parent of a child who has disabilities, who is active and wants to participate in the Paralympics in Brisbane 2032, it is vital for us to be able to access a training facility closer to where we live. Please consider all aspects of the community whilst creating this facility.

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5/26/2022 06:24 PM

Whilst it all sounds great, in particular I strongly support the fencing of South Road for the safety of children, dogs and also road users for any sports balls etc that could potentially roll or be kicked on to the road and distracting drivers. Personally since living on Kantalpa Grove I've had the thoughts that part of the empty reserve would make a great spot for a fenced dog park. I would love to see a portion of the land fenced for local dog owners (and there is a lot of them around this area). I also strongly support the new road access point from South Road. This would make accessing the new facilities easier and also a positive thing for residents to be able to access South Road quickly. In all I'm glad plans are being made for the space. Thank you for reading.

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5/26/2022 08:19 PM

There still needs to be some open grass/real turf areas, as well as LOTS of trees planted and the playground update needs to be accommodating for all age groups of kids!.. but the trees need to be put in the short term plan!

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5/26/2022 08:48 PM

I do support the Athletics part of the Concept Plan as my children do Athletics and i am constantly traveling into Mile End for training etc. What i don't support is the Soccer and Football part. There is a huge Soccer Complex at Osullivans Beach and huge amounts of Football Ovals. I can see that the Complex will be used for Athletics 7 dys. It would be great if the lightning was put i the first part, as while digging etc you could put this all in instead of digging up a year or two later.

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5/26/2022 11:52 PM

A map of where Knox park is would have been helpful for those of us not familiar with the street names. I am assuming it is the park on the western side of South Rd between Beach and Flaxmill roads. I think its a good idea, especially if local schools would be able to use the facilities. Public toilets (not locked up in the facility) at the park would be great as there are not many around when needed. I love the work done at the C/Downs community centre and skatepark. Much needed to keep kids in the area occupied with fun things to do.

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5/27/2022 08:23 AM

please add a half basketball court north eastern corner

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This will be an excellent place for sports.

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5/27/2022 01:04 PM

Throughout this state many parks belonging to residents have been appropriated by various sporting/special interest groups already.

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5/27/2022 03:46 PM

As a parent of a child that is heavily involved in Athletics the need for an athletic facility in the South is amazing..Will increase members, and give Southern athletes a place to call home..As a president of a Little Athletics Club we will be able to utilise quality equipment and grounds which will boost numbers..Currently going to Mole End or the city every weekend and now as Mile End is getting an upgrade closest facility is Salisbury which is too far for us to go...Let's give the Southern area the chance to showcase the quality of athletes in our region

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5/27/2022 03:55 PM

Badminton Court: Badminton, a popular backyard recreational activity, is a racket sport that can be played with singles or doubles. we do not have any indoor badminton court in the area of onkaparinga. lots of people from different culture, countries have started living in this area. Badminton court is one of the Popular indoor sport that has connected people very well. It is missing in our locality. It would be a great concept to have in the plan. Table Tennis: could you kindly include Table Tennis Court in the plan. This sport is being growing rapidly in south asian countries. lots of international student is searing for a park, that has got the facility like Table Tennis, Badminton. The growth of international student and people from different asian counties has increased rapidly since covid in this region. All this people from different background has played this particular sport since from their early stage of life. This sport is suitable for any age group. Thank you

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5/27/2022 07:20 PM

Finally an athletics track in the South

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5/29/2022 12:27 PM

Find somewhere else

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People who live in the area should be listened to.

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5/29/2022 11:06 PM

While I support the plan overall, the use of artificial turf in the second stage is disappointing. Artificial turf is to be avoided given it absorbs heat and eventually ends up in landfill. Please look at alternative options for this site, and consider a policy position to actively avoid the use of artificial turf. Thank you.

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5/30/2022 05:17 PM

I was glad to read that there are no plans to remove existing trees. I am concerned that it cuts down on unstructured recreational spaces for local families, for kite-flying, dog-walking etc. Both documents mention area "D" for replacement with astro-turf. D is not actually marked on the map, however. Generally, I oppose the use of false turf as it is not good for local wildlife.

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5/31/2022 09:58 PM

Will be an incredible addition to the souther suburbs athletics exposure! For the biggest Olympic sport and the most watched sport at the Olympics, the souther suburbs NEED a facility like this to ensure future south Australian sporting champions. It takes pressure off parents from traveling all the way to the city for equivalent facilities and promotes engagement in sports for the lower socioeconomic suburbs in the south! Will be a very worthwhile investment.

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6/02/2022 08:30 AM

Having an athletics track in the south is extremely important to developing athletes who are presently spending many hours travelling for training and events.

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6/02/2022 04:03 PM

Good evening, My name is . I am the property owner of Morphett vale. I have recently purchased this property and had hoped that something like the Knox park upgrade may happen. I am delighted to hear that this is happening as I am a big supporter of growing the appeal of this beautiful southern suburb. I have a suggestion and I ask you take this into account when moving forward with this project. Growing up in Morphett vale my whole life and loving basketball I found it hard to find the available space to play, there are basketball courts located in the surrounding areas but most of the available basketball courts are indoor and belong to private clubs. As far as outdoor courts there isn't many options available besides school owned courts which are getting fenced off due to restricted access. I am requesting that there be space allocated for an outdoor half court at Knox park, this is not as much for me as it is for kids the same age I was when I would have to go searching for a basketball facility. Please take this into consideration.

I appreciate your time if you are reading and am looking forward to the upgrade of Knox park. Thank you,

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6/05/2022 03:05 PM

Local Residents are meeting prior to the Council Meeting and will provide feedback as a group.

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6/07/2022 10:26 AM

Rather see it turn into a nature park to support wildlife and bring in native vegetation to the area. The only useful thing is quick access to South Rd.

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6/08/2022 03:18 PM

It will be a definite benefit for the area and something many people have wanted for a long time.

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6/09/2022 09:37 AM

I support the idea however I do not support the layout. Access should be from South Road, giving it better access and not impeding on the small streets surrounding it. This will have less impact on the residents and the streets in the way of traffic. Having lived near a multi-sport park in the past, the traffic can be horrendous especially on inter-club days. Drive-ways get blocked, footpaths are parked on and the noise also greatens. I'm happy with Knox Park being used but please consider the access and parking points. Also in the past 10-12 years the koala's have slowly made their way back into the trees. If the trees are removed the koalas will be displaced once again.

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6/11/2022 01:22 PM

I fully support the concept plans for Knox Park as an athletics facility and multiple sports use park. The development of area for athletics use will be wonderful for the Southern Athletic Club to finally have a 'home base' and will bring a great benefit to the wider community also. Athletics participants have often had to travel a great distance to access facilities, so it will be a hugely positive step forward to have these accessible in the Onkaparinga council area.

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6/15/2022 02:29 PM

This is so desperately needed. We do not have a facility this side of the city and it will increase athletic participation. What a brilliant decision!

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6/16/2022 08:16 PM

*The fact sheet does not say how many car parks. Will the surrounding streets be flooded with parking especially the South Road inside lane. South Road will become a 2 lane road. Lots of congestion. *A Multi use park in reality will not happen. A quality

athletic track is for a specific purpose and clubs become very protective of their facilities. *Has the council considered maintenance costs? *I hope the track is better quality than the O'Halloran Hill bmx park. Don't employ the same synthetic track company!!!! At the end of the day it is rate payer money. Thankyou.

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6/16/2022 08:20 PM

I thought your first priority would be access from south road As I don't think the local residents wouldn't want heavy vehicle/trucks driving through the neighbourhood As getting to the proposed car park and club facilities would involve driving a maze of back streets much to the annoyance of the local residents.. But other than that about time something was done to a great location ... Make it easily accessible to all.....

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6/18/2022 03:30 PM

I have recently moved to Morphet Vale and my partner and I love Netball and Basketball. We have found that there are hardly any public courts where we can go and play ball. There are schools with courts but they are all fenced off. We would absolutely love it if a netball and basketball court could be included in the upgrade! I also know many people that would utilise this court if it was put in.
PLEASE INCLUDE SOME COURTS

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6/18/2022 10:56 PM

This will provide a sporting hub for those who dont like certain sports such as football

Screen Name Redacted

6/19/2022 11:38 AM

This is a fantastic initiative and badly needed for the area to increase growth in physical activity and athletics post covid 19 lock downs. It will encourage a renew of participation for sporting clubs.

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6/19/2022 01:09 PM

I strongly support the development of the facility

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6/19/2022 01:35 PM

Shared use of open space for sport is vital for the future of residents. Sport brings people together and the health benefits are plenty. The athletics club need a space to train (a home) and this would be perfect for them as well as the other opportunities for other sports.

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6/19/2022 02:46 PM

Having an athletics track would greatly benefit the southern community and athletes in the southern region

Screen Name Redacted

There should be a facility where kids can use a sport ground down

6/19/2022 03:06 PM

south

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6/19/2022 04:04 PM

This section of land was set aside for track and field early in the 70's. It was easy to know, I asked the land agent what the land was for and he advised me. Further I went to Noarlunga Council and sought concurrence before I purchased land near. It was prior to SA Housing Trust building much of the estate that 'Knox Park' was situation on; the east side of the housing estate boarded by South Rd and the pine trees that lined the boundary. Families waited and waited for years for this to happen. Our children have grown up and married in the meantime but I am happy for this sport to get a final go ahead and base in our region. I wished I had such opportunities in my youth. I am sure the club will encompass some fun days and mornings for the inexperienced whom want to get fitter, besides the athletes that compete and train with a level of fitness we all would love to boast.

Screen Name Redacted

6/19/2022 05:15 PM

This development will be fantastic for the community and a great use of space which has been under utilised.

Screen Name Redacted

6/19/2022 06:35 PM

I initially thought the land between Cardijn College & SAFC was being proposed. There is minimal access for Athletics south of the city. The club at Flinders Uni have lost land due to road upgrades and car parking. With competitions now being held at Salisbury, the southern suburbs and fleurieu are lacking quality facilities

Screen Name Redacted

6/20/2022 12:12 AM

Looks fantastic. Can't wait for this to be done!

Screen Name Redacted

6/20/2022 11:16 AM

Did is great that athletic will have a home in the south. This is a great being.

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6/21/2022 07:45 PM

Would lighting be considered for the circulation path

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6/22/2022 09:39 AM

Athletics could be called a quiet sport! Unlike footy and soccer the athletes perform their activities quietly. You don't find a noisy pole vaulter, discus thrower or long jumper! Even the starter gun has been replaced with a quiet whooshing sound to start races! What a brilliant addition this will be for the southern athletes who presently have no facilities this side of the city and the development of this ground will be an asset for all local residents and surrounding suburbs. Knox Park going back to it's roots of being a dedicated athletics ground.

Brilliant! There will always be some opposition to progress and unfortunately it's misinformation spread by a vocal minority that always pops up and makes itself heard. That's the beauty of a democracy! There aren't any negatives to this development and any concerns that a handful of people have can very easily be addressed through correct info and understanding. I am excited about this facility being developed. My grandson is a local Onkaparinga athlete. He's a State Champion in walks, discus, javelin. He's a State record holder for javelin and has represented South Australia 4 times. Thank you so much to our local council for listening to the needs of our local athletes as this facility will assist local talent to develop their skills and one day represent their country.

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6/24/2022 02:45 PM

In supporting the concept we would like to make the following observations - we would not like to see the reserve fully fenced as we believe that the current public access should be maintained =current users of the reserve should be able to continue to use the reserve for their activities when the reserve is not being used for athletics - current access, together with the increased parking envisaged, should be the only access as access from South Road could affect traffic flow and use reserve territory for road work rather than being open space =we would like to see the trees protected as far as possible with the development and new trees to replace those lost along South Road.

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7/04/2022 01:48 PM

What independent environmental impact studies have been done for this project? There are native sweat bees that burrow in the dirt around the base of the trees and in open ground in this park area that are providing vital pollinator roles for the local flora. There are native koalas and kangaroos that frequent the park and call it home. I urge an environmental impact study occur prior to any construction works. As mentioned above a Pollinator-Friendly Parks Policy should be developed for the entire council to support the management of council land that doesn't inhibit the environmental future. Some reference material for this is : <http://www.xerces.org/blog/new-guidelines-support-creation-of-pollinator-friendly-parks> and https://1bps6437gg8c169i0y1drtgz-wpengine.netdna-ssl.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/FOE_LocalPolicyToolkit_2.pdf The amount of current tree coverage indicated in your plans is extremely inaccurate as much of it was lost or removed over the last 12 months. There are people who drive their cars and trailers up, chop down trees and drive off with the wood with no consequences. A community consultation group with local residents, members of the athletics and sports clubs and councils should be arranged to come to an agreement that is suitable for all. Any form of plantings done in relation to the project should be native plants. Questions I still have: -

I would like to understand more information about restrictions that the council place on sporting groups using council land? - what they are charged by the council to use the facilities? - how much input those groups have had into these designs? given there has been no resident input in the designs. - I understand the park was earmarked many years ago for athletics but was not found to be suitable, what makes it suitable now? - What is the small grey square off the side of the playground in the carpark of stage 2 to represent?

Screen Name Redacted

7/04/2022 02:18 PM

I strongly support the changes to the playground. The current facilities are in dire need of an upgrade. They would be used a lot more if they were in better condition. A nature-based focus on the play space would be great. I support the idea of this area being upgraded and having something more than just dry grass, as long as residents in the area are able to have their input taken into account.

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7/04/2022 06:13 PM

As President of Southern Athletic Club and someone who grew up in the Onkaparinga council area I am excited by the concept which form the foundation for an exciting athletics facility the first of its kind in our region. The club looks forward to working closely with Council and our new neighbors over the coming months to bring this plan to reality and look forward to moving to our home ground and developing relationships with the local residents and developing a Park that will be a jewel in the crown of the City of Onkaparinga.

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7/04/2022 09:43 PM

Leave it alone

Optional question (85 response(s), 26 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

This is a much needed facility for the local athletics club and local athletes to have a training facility.

Having facilities on the residential side is essential for the young kids that will use this facility (3-5 year olds ^{will} use this facility regularly) and young kids and main roads is a safety concern.

This will create an overall improved facility for the wider community to use.

Yes to the dog park.

Empty space for kite flying needed
Community Building for small clubs to meet - not expensive.

Toilets needed -

Skate park could be a cool idea and football posts

Baby changing / parents facility in toilets

Bike Track Around Perimeter?
Shade Sail over Playground.
BBQ Facilities / Gazebo

Good idea But needs to
Be built on south Rd side
with access to and from
south Rd only to car park
Security concerns need to be
taken into consideration

Building proposed is to form from
main Road to be seen by school

By building on south road side
will separate residents from ~~police~~ sports
Athlets groups and mitigate traffic
problems with Huang traffic

TRAFFIC BY KANTANA GROVE
REQUIRE NO PARKING ON PARK SIDE
OF ROAD TO GREAT SIDE BY SIDE
PARKING

Athletics Club is Awesome.

Sun shade over play area
Coated playground.

Pump track.

Nature play space.

BBQS

Croquet

Totally support all
of the plans. Great
for not just athletics
but the entire community

* We love the idea!!
The Southern area needs
this Athletics facility!!

Page 10

- * TRAFFIC MAIN CONCERN.
 - ACCESS & EGRESS TO STH. RD.
 - CARS & BIKES CURRENTLY DRIVING ACROSS PARK
- NEEDS IMPROVEMENTS.

- How often would the events take place
- Should have happened a long time ago.
- Put the land to use

I Love The playground
And I Love the Idea

Need this for the athletes
have to travel to the City for events & training
I Love the Idea but Maybe Some

~~dog~~ Dog Bowls with water.

Would love to see one or two dog
areas.

Permanent picnic tables or seating

Toilet Block to be locked @ night

- Extra Traffic
- 11 • Parking in front of my home
- Biggest concern.

- Access to the park directly
from South Road.

* Extension of the car park
should be done now NOT in
5-10 yrs !

Great idea for running track,
lighting would be fabulous
BBQ & Seating and a new park
for kids & Adults.
Golfers.

OK with little athletics use but
do not want any buildings, grandstands
etc on the Kortalpa Grave side.

I purchased in this street over 20
years ago because of the park across
the road. There is plenty of space on
South Rd side and a fence could be
created to protect children from going
on the road.

I have ~~lived~~ here for 41 years Built our House
a track was put in here and nothing was done to it or
used by ~~any~~ anyone. Parking in my street don't want
Decent car Park so People don't Park in our streets.
Why did the council put a track in here before and
have let it go to crap. I asked for a Dog Fence Run
in here years ago as usual From the council ~~NOTHING~~
Decent Car Park. for People so they Don't use
Our Streets.

Think upgrade of extra carpark space
should be done in stage 1 not stage 2
medium term priorities should be short term priorities

Lockable Bins - possibly Auto Cleaning?

Adequate lighting - So no lighting At night

Playground improvement:



- Would love some BBQ areas
- proper benches and bench with table seating
- exercise equipment to use
- gymnastics/parkour equipment
- toddler safety in regards to main road

Sun safe playground so equipment isn't scorching hot in summer

Any room for a doggy park?

Need water access to fill drink bottles + dog fountain

Enough rubbish bins.

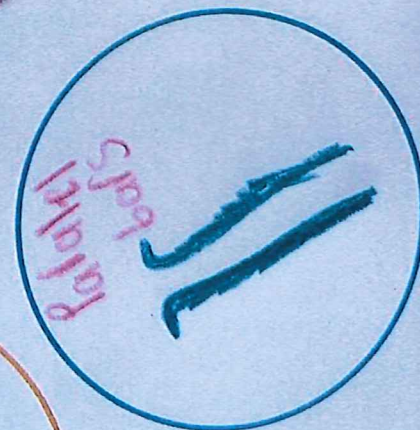
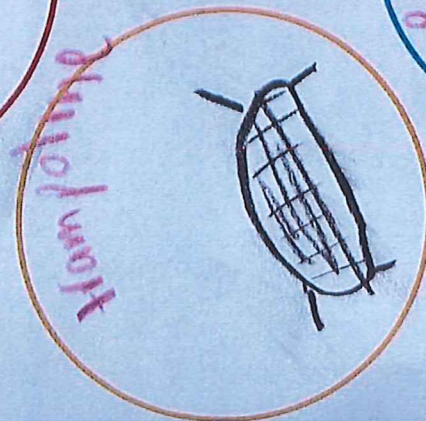
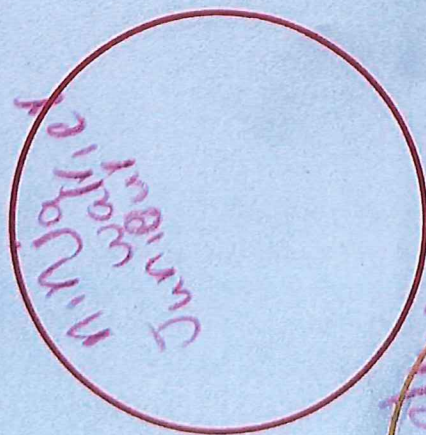
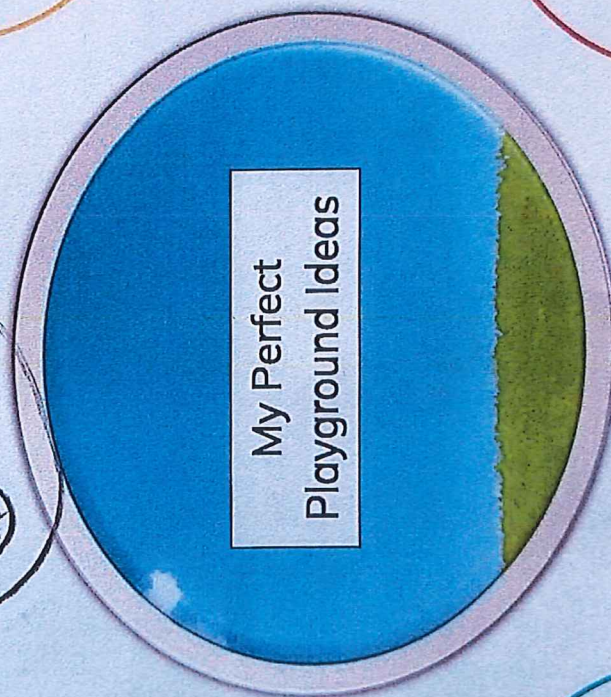
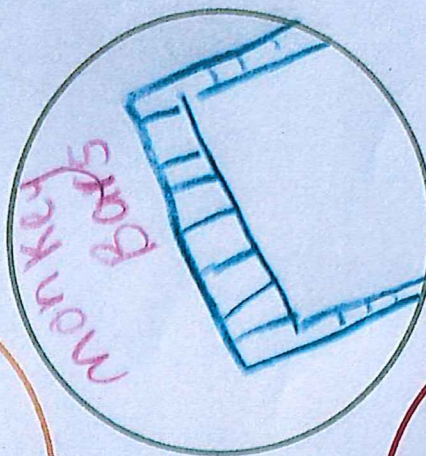
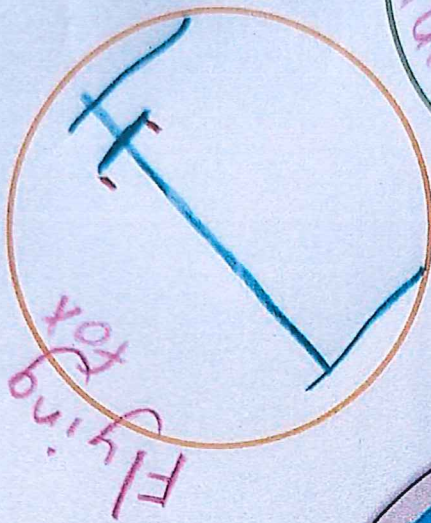
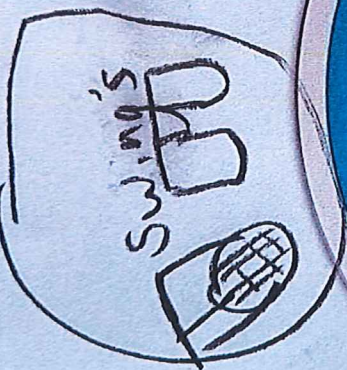
* Fully support the concept - Sooner the better!!

special light in toilets so you can't see veins for shooting up drugs.

* Maybe some permanent seating around

My Perfect Playground

Design your perfect playground. First think about what you want in your perfect playground and write down your ideas here. Think carefully about what is so perfect about it. Does it appeal to all ages? How will the children behave? Does everyone have a friend?



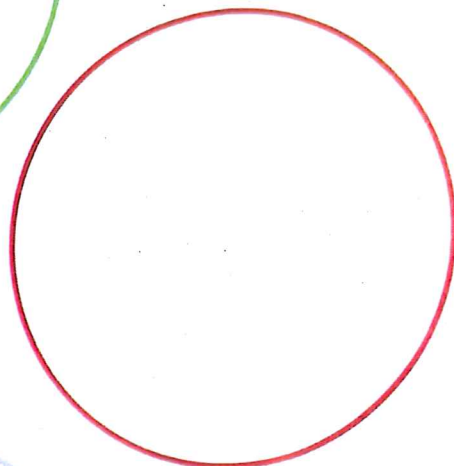
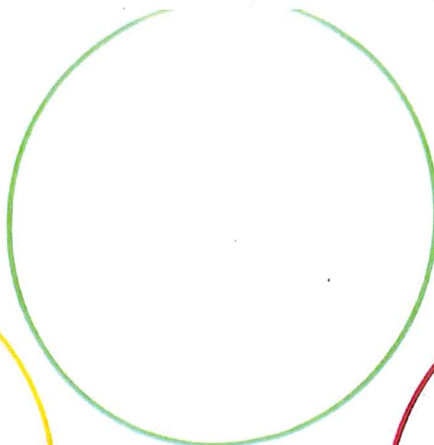
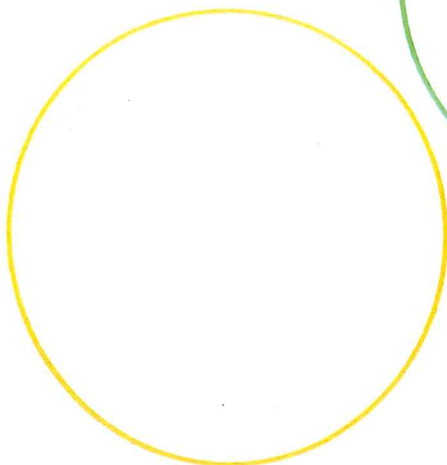
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Athletics
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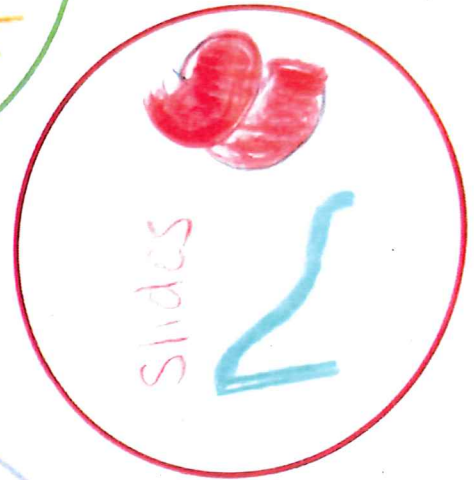
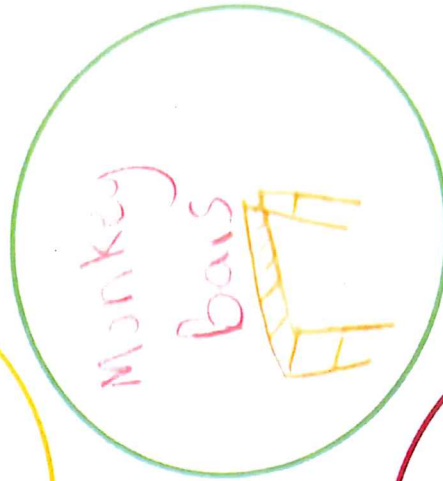
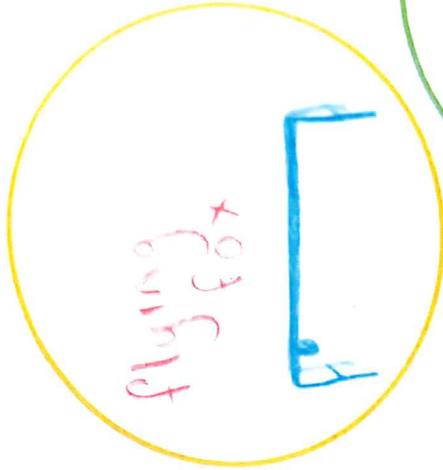
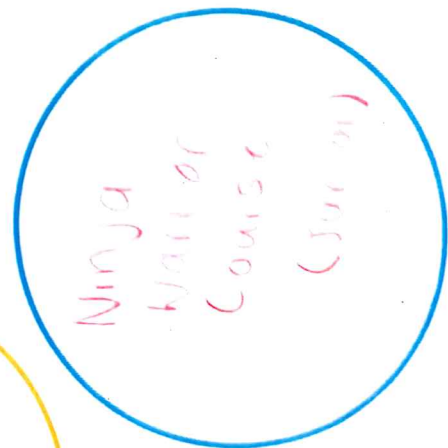
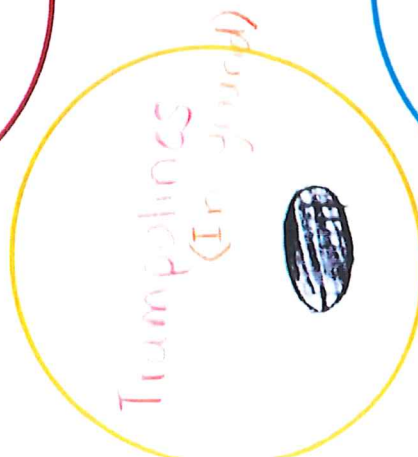
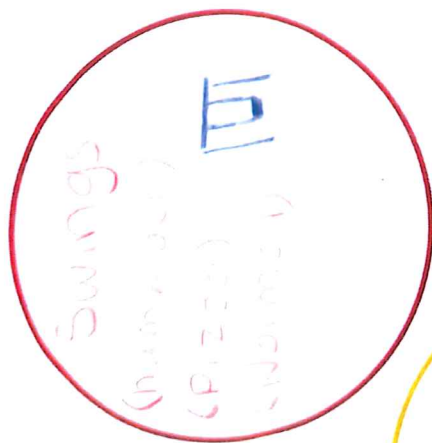
Climbing
rock wall



flying fox
slides
swings



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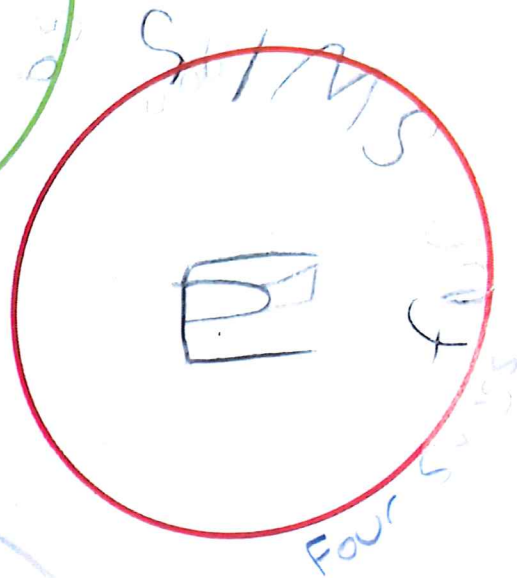
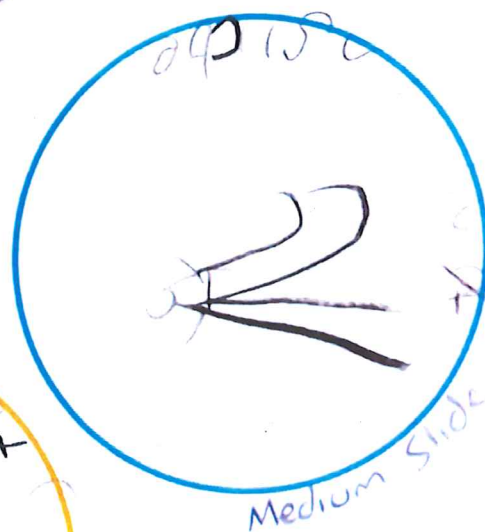
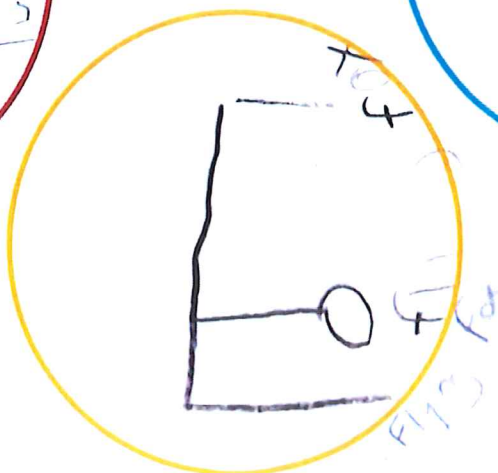
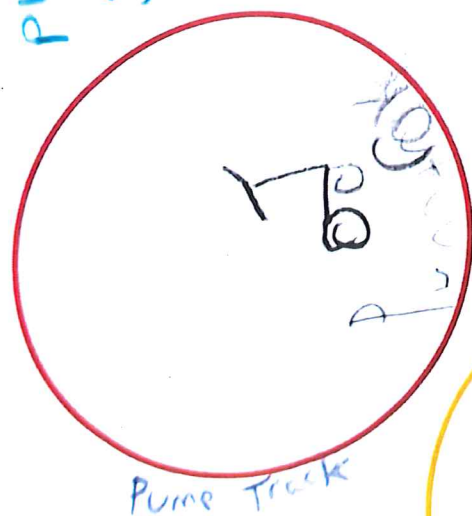


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Playground should be
gated & shaded



KNOX PARK CHANGES

Tell the City of Onkaparinga NO to:

- × Any building(s) on the residential side/boundary of Knox Park,
- × Any further vehicle access or car parking on the residential side/boundary of Knox Park,
- × Removing any trees from the residential street side/boundary of Knox Park,
- × Forcing koalas and wildlife to the South Road side/boundary of Knox Park.

Tell the City of Onkaparinga YES to:

- ✓ Any building(s), further vehicle access & car parking on the South Road side/boundary of Knox Park,
- ✓ Upgrade & safer, wheelchair accessible, inclusive playground area with a liberty swing on the residential side/boundary,
- ✓ A family friendly area, including bench seating, barbeques and outdoor exercise equipment on the residential side/boundary of Knox Park,
- ✓ Use the residential side/boundary areas as an education space for First Nation People Traditions – a bush tucker/traditional medicine/art walking trails. Have a look at the street names,
- ✓ A small dog park on the residential side/boundary,
- ✓ More tree planting on the residential side/boundary of Knox Park - for the koalas and wildlife who reside in this park, and have done for many years.

We aren't against an area allocated for the athletics club, but don't destroy KNOX PARK for locals and other community users.

HAVE YOUR SAY. THE COUNCIL PREVIOUSLY IGNORED RESIDENT'S CONCERNS/SUGGESTIONS. THIS TIME WE NEED TO BE HEARD.

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