

Community Survey:

Planning Proposal for the Former Oatley Bowling Club

Georges River Council is committed to ongoing consultation with the community in determining the best use of land at the former Oatley Bowling Club site.

We invite you to take part in this 10 minute survey about the proposed re-development of the site.

Your feedback will contribute to Council's understanding of community needs and concerns and this is an opportunity to share your suggestions for new community facilities or services.

History of the Project

Following closure of the former Oatley Bowling Club site in 2006, Council has been investigating options for its re-development that meet the current and future needs of the community. Since 2009 a series of proposals have been canvassed with the community. Several feasibility studies have also been conducted to assess the opportunities and constraints relating to development of the site.

In 2010 Council resolved to submit a Planning Proposal to rezone and reclassify the site for seniors and community uses. Funds from the lease will be used to repay the loan for upgrade of Jubilee Park, Mortdale and the construction of Mortdale Community Centre

On Monday 7 November 2016, Georges River Council resolved not to proceed with the former Hurstville City Council's proposal for a seven-to-nine-storey mixed residential and seniors housing to be built on the former Oatley Bowling Club site.

Council has instead decided to undertake community consultation on a Planning Proposal for the site. The Planning Proposal limits any development to a smaller-scale, three-to-five-storey, aged care facility. Hurstville City Council identified a need for improved aged care facilities and services to the elderly in its Annual Report 2012-2013. Council has a responsibility to facilitate aged care accommodation in the LGA which will allow older people to continue living in their local areas and remain connected to their personal networks, while being able to access aged services.

A significant area of the former Bowling Club site will continue to operate as usable public recreation space, complimentary to the adjacent Reserve. This community space will include enhanced facilities including recreational areas, barbeques amenities, community gardens, and walking and bicycle tracks.

Council is keen to hear your comments and suggestions about the Planning Proposal, and what aspects are supported and what aspects may be of concern. We would also like to gather feedback about the types of community facilities or services you would like to see included as part of the development.

We look forward to continuing the conversation about the future of this site.

Housing for seniors

Hurstville City Council identified a need for improved aged care facilities and services to the elderly in its Annual Report 2012-2013. An important element of aged care accommodation is that it allows people to stay in their communities, have access to their personal networks and is close to transport and services.

Q1: What do you believe accurately represents the current status of aged care accommodation in the Georges River LGA? (Choose Y/N for the following)

Y / N	I consider the provision of aged care facilities an important issue for Council
Y / N	The GR LGA has enough aged care options
Y / N	I would be interested in an aged care facility in the LGA for myself or a family member in the next 5 years
Y / N	I would be interested in aged care accommodation at the former Oatley Bowling Club site?

Q2: What types of aged care accommodation would you like to be included in the proposed development at the former Oatley Bowling Club site? (Tick all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Nursing Home
<input type="checkbox"/>	Self-Contained dwellings
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hostel
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (open)

Note: The NSW and Commonwealth Govt definitions of 'seniors housing' includes: a residential care facility, a hostel, a group of self-contained dwellings or a combination of these types of accommodation

Community facilities

A significant portion of the former Bowling Club site will continue to operate as usable public recreation space, complimentary to the adjacent Reserve. This community space will include enhanced facilities including recreational areas, barbeque amenities, community gardens, and walking and bicycle tracks.

Q3: What types of facilities or services would you consider appropriate to be located next to aged care accommodation? (Tick all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Community gardens	<input type="checkbox"/>	Walkways
<input type="checkbox"/>	BBQs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cycle paths
<input type="checkbox"/>	Picnic shelters	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public toilets
<input type="checkbox"/>	Play equipment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Café/kiosk
<input type="checkbox"/>	Men's shed		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (open)		

Q4: Can you tell us about a community facility in your neighbourhood or further afield that you think demonstrates good practice?

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The Myles Dunphy Reserve

The Myles Dunphy Reserve is located next to the former Oatley Bowling Club site and is an important cultural, historical and environmental asset. The Reserve protects natural bushland and wetland and is habitat for threatened fauna species. The Reserve is also valued by the community as a place to relax and enjoy. Council is currently undertaking improvements for community access and recreation including the construction of a boardwalk pathway. The proposal does not encroach on the boundaries of the Reserve.

Q5: When did you last visit the Myles Dunphy Reserve (Choose 1)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Within the last month
<input type="checkbox"/>	2-6 months ago
<input type="checkbox"/>	7-12 months ago
<input type="checkbox"/>	Never

Q6: Do you have any suggestions for improving your experience? (Tick all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Better access (including walkways or cycle tracks)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lighting
<input type="checkbox"/>	Improved signage	<input type="checkbox"/>	Landscape maintenance
<input type="checkbox"/>	More parking	<input type="checkbox"/>	Graffiti management
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public toilets	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nothing
	Anything else? (open)		

Feedback on the former Oatley Bowling Club site

The development of the former Oatley Bowling Club site will require the land to be re-zoned and as such a Planning Proposal has been prepared that outlines a range of issues that must be considered before a proposal can be approved.

The Planning Proposal will be independently reviewed and may be amended based on feedback from community. The final decision on the Planning Proposal will be made by the newly elected Georges River Council after September 2017

Q7: Are you familiar with the current Planning Proposal for the site?

- Y – continue to Q7A - B
- N – Skip to Q8 and note you can to find more info on the current Planning Proposal.

Q7A: The current Planning Proposal for the site will limit any development to a smaller-scale, three-to-five-storey, aged care facility. Do you think this is an appropriate scale of development for the site?

- Y
- N

Why?	
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Q7B: The current Planning Proposal seeks to rezone 51% of the site from *RE1 Public Recreation* to *SP2 Infrastructure*. Mixed use or residential uses are not permitted in the *SP2 Infrastructure* zone. Does this meet your expectations about an appropriate intensity of development for the site?

Y

N

Why?	
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Q8: Do you have any other comments or suggestions about the former Oatley Bowling Club site that you would like to share?

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How would you like to stay in touch?

Council is committed to ongoing community consultation as part of planning for the former Oatley Bowling Club site. Council will consider community feedback before the Planning Proposal is finalised and an independent review of both the outcomes of consultation and the Planning Proposal will be undertaken. The final decision will be made by the elected Council.

Q9: What sorts of community consultation activities would you like to participate in?

Community information sessions	Open Days
Surveys	Presentation Displays
Newsletters	
Other (open)	

Q10: Would you like to join our stakeholder mailing list?

Please provide e-mail address or residential address:	
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Close out and next steps

Q11: Any final comments or questions?

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