

Turnberry Drive Reserve Engagement Responses

A Participate Hume page was available from 4 – 25 September 2023 for the local community to share feedback on a concept for Turnberry Drive Reserve. Postcards were sent to the 492 households within a 500-metre radius of the park informing them of the consultation opportunity.

The page containing the consultation attracted 77 visitors, which is 15.6% of households in the targeted area. Of the 77 unique visitors, 8 (10.4%) left feedback. This reflects 1.6% of the 492 households.

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

The below table is a summary of the community's suggestions and other feedback. Council have reviewed and provided a response as it relates to the project's scope and budget.

Comment/Theme	Number of comments on the subject	Hume City Council Review Response
<i>Request for additional play elements than just updating outdated equipment</i>	2	Replacement of the playspace aims to maintain the expected play elements on the local scale playspace, such as swings, slide, and small play elements. Further play elements will be investigated but may be constrained by space or budget.
<i>Request for accessibility</i>	1	We will review opportunities to provide inclusive play elements.

<i>Request for half basketball court</i>	1	Turnberry Drive Reserve is a small space. A half basketball court takes up a lot of area, especially when including run off space and associated amenities such as seats. Unfortunately, there is not enough space within the reserve to include a half court.
<i>Request for dog off leash section</i>	1	Turnberry Drive Reserve is a local reserve. We typically do not include dog off leash areas in reserves of this size, nor do we place them near playspaces.
<i>Request for toilets</i>	2	Turnberry Drive Reserve is a local reserve and does not meet the criteria for a public toilet, which are typically installed in district or regional reserves with high visitation where users may drive to and spend an extended amount of time in the space. The nearest public toilet is located at Tulsa Drive Reserve, approximately 750m walk from Turnberry Dr Reserve.
<i>Request for water feature park (water play)</i>	1	Water feature/ water play parks provide fun, affordable, attractive, and safe warm weather play opportunities for families. They are commonly located in regional size parks and in proximity to community facilities such as Aquatic Centres. This ensures they are supported by the necessary amenities such as toilets, picnic facilities and car parking, and has the infrastructure to assist with monitoring and maintaining water quality.
<i>Request for toddler Swing with full enclosed bucket</i>	1	Turnberry Drive Reserve is a local level park providing small scale play opportunities. The swing options include a sling and chain swing for toddlers. This provides flexibility for usage. The chains on the toddler swing seats are specified with a coating to protect fingers.

<i>Request for equipment for older kids (big net swing, larger slide, rock climbing wall, etc.)</i>	4	The small size of Turnberry Drive limits what can be included, whilst still allowing for a variety of play elements, and including the required fall zones around the equipment to protect the users. There are play opportunities such as combination play unit, spinner, and swings for older kids. The inclusion of larger/more challenging play elements are generally located at larger parks.
<i>Request for additional parking</i>	1	The intent of the reserve is primarily to serve residents who live within short walking distance so would not be appropriate to include at this site. Parking is also beyond the scope of the project.
<i>Request for flying fox</i>	1	Turnberry Drive Reserve is a small space and flying foxes take up a large footprint plus additional area around it required to meet Australian Standards. Unfortunately, is cannot be accommodated at this reserve.