

Henry Lawson Park Playground Upgrade

Feedback Summary

August 2025

Background

In November 2024 Council asked the community for feedback to help shape the upgrade of Henry Lawson Park Playground in Abbotsford. Feedback was used to draft a concept design for the playground which was shared to the community for further feedback.

The consultation aimed to understand what the community likes about the draft design, and if any elements were missing.

Feedback was open from the 4 – 30 August 2025.



Notification methods

The following methods were used to notify the community of this consultation:

- Email to Collaborate page followers: <https://collaborate.canadabay.nsw.gov.au/hlp-playground>
- Email to 37 people following the project on Collaborate
- CCB print news and e-news
- Social media
- Poster on site

Engagement methods

Feedback was collected via the following methods:

- Online survey
- Email/phone
- Drop-in at the playground on Saturday, 23 August 2025

Results

Collaborate reach

- 509 page views
- 345 unique site visitors
- 37 draft concept design downloads
- 9 new project followers

Submissions

In total, 30 submissions were received:

- 18 online submissions
- 7 emails
- 1 phone call
- 4 drop-in submissions (duplicate submission were removed so that all participants are given one voice)

Feedback summary

What respondents like about the design

Feedback	No. of respondents
Design in general	5
Variety of equipment	5
Shade coverage	3
Seating options	2
Path	1
Drinking fountain	1

What respondents believe is missing from the design

Feedback	No. of respondents
Toilets	18
Remove mulch from the design	6
Fence to enclose the playground	5
Wildlife enrichment	1
BBQ should be closer to seating	1
Retain existing swing	1
More toddler-friendly equipment	1
Footpath connecting to the road/ramp	1
Water pump, water play and nature play	1
Remove sand and water play area	1