



## Report to General Manager

Attachments:

1. Summary of Submissions Received
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**SUBJECT:** Draft Plan of Management/Masterplan for Anderson Park – Post Exhibition

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

North Sydney Council's Plans of Management are strategic documents that provide a consistent and useable set of guidelines for the effective short and long-term management of all open space owned or under the care, control and management of North Sydney Council.

A combined significant area Plan of Management/Masterplan has been prepared for Anderson Park in response to a resolution made at the Council meeting on 18 April 2016.

The new draft PoM/Masterplan for Anderson Park was completed in August 2018. Public exhibition of the draft document was widely advertised, and known stakeholders were also informed that the draft PoM/Masterplan was available for viewing and comment.

The public exhibition and submission period ran for 6 weeks; until 24 October 2018. Six submissions were received. This report sets out the content of the submissions, and the alterations it is proposed to make to the draft PoM/Masterplan for Anderson Park as a result. The report also describes the key issues addressed in the draft document and lists the investigations and upgrading works to be undertaken in Anderson Park in coming years.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Council has currently funded within the Delivery Plan's capital works program \$100,000 in 2019/20 and a further \$100,000 in 2020/21 for the implementation of the Management/Masterplan. The remainder of the funding to implement the plan including the sportsfield improvements is unfunded and currently subject to the Special Rate Variation considerations or future budget deliberations.

### RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** Council formally adopts the draft Plan of Management/Masterplan for Anderson Park.
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## LINK TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The relationship with the Community Strategic Plan is as follows:

Direction: 1. Our Living Environment

Outcome: 1.3 Quality urban greenspaces  
1.4 Public open space and recreation facilities and services meet community needs

## BACKGROUND

At its meeting on 18 April 2016, Council resolved to prepare a Plan of Management (PoM) for Anderson Park. In particular, Council resolved the following:

1. *THAT Council receives the community petition in relation to Anderson Park.*
2. *THAT Council acknowledges the growing community concerns regarding synthetic turf in Anderson Park*
3. *THAT Council's City Strategy Division prepare a detailed Masterplan and Plan of Management for Anderson Park. That the Masterplan include heritage, traffic and parking, storm water and recreation uses, and provide short, medium and long-term planning for the park with dedicated landscape management plans for the park and the mature trees on and around the park particularly on the storm water channel*
4. *THAT extensive community participation and consultation be undertaken in preparation of the Masterplan and Plan of Management*
5. *THAT Council resolve to defer any development at Anderson Park until a Masterplan and Plan of Management have been developed considering all uses and users of the park and grounded in thorough community consultation*
6. *THAT no work proceeds unless and until Council adopts the Masterplan and Plan of Management for the park and any future works on the park must be complaint with the adopted Masterplan and Plan of Management.*

On 18 July 2016, Council resolved that a consultant team be appointed to undertake the preparation of the Anderson Park Plan of Management/Masterplan under the oversight of a Project Control Group led by City Strategy. At its meeting of 20 November 2017, Council resolved to transfer oversight of the Plan of Management process to the Division of Open Space and Environmental Services. Council also resolved to make a public commitment to all residents, ratepayers, friends and users of Anderson Park that artificial turf was not a matter for consideration in this park.

The new draft PoM/Masterplan for Anderson Park was completed in August 2018. The draft document was on public exhibition for a 6-week period, and submissions were received until 24 October 2018. Public exhibition of the draft document was widely advertised to both known stakeholders and the general community.

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## CONSULTATION REQUIREMENTS

Community engagement will be undertaken in accordance with Council’s Community Engagement Protocol.

## SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

The following table provides a summary of the key sustainability implications:

<b>QBL Pillar</b>	<b>Implications</b>
Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The principles of ESD guide Council’s management of all parks and reserves, allowing current and future users to enjoy North Sydney’s open spaces and recreation facilities, and ensuring that the environment is protected. Anderson Park has a combination of recreational, historical, scenic and aesthetic significance.</li></ul>
Social	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Anderson Park is a recreation resource for the whole community. It accommodates organised sport as well as informal sports and games, walking, jogging, dog walking, viewing the harbour and picnicking.</li></ul>
Economic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The development, management and maintenance of Anderson Park requires significant, continued financial resourcing.</li></ul>
Governance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Plans of Management are important documents providing clear guidelines for the effective short and long term management of all land owned by North Sydney Council or under Council’s care and control.</li></ul>

## DETAIL

### 1. Development of the draft PoM/Masterplan for Anderson Park

In September 2017, a multi-disciplinary consultant team led by Environmental Partnership NSW was engaged to prepare the Anderson Park PoM/Masterplan. Environmental Partnership is a qualified and experienced landscape architectural and open space planning consultancy. The consultant team included experienced transport and traffic engineers (Taylor Thomson Whitting) and community engagement specialists (Straight Talk).

Located on the foreshore of Neutral Bay, Anderson Park is a highly-valued public open space. It offers a range of recreational opportunities including organised sport (Anderson Park is one of only seven parks in North Sydney that cater for organised sport), as well as informal uses including walking, dog-walking, picnicking and enjoying harbour views.

The new PoM/Masterplan aims to protect and enhance the core values of Anderson Park, while simultaneously catering for the various recreational needs of the community, as far as possible, and improving visual appeal. The Project Brief specifies that sensitive upgrading rather than extensive redesign is required.

The objectives of the PoM/Masterplan were:

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- To establish a framework to guide decision-making regarding the short and long-term use and management of Anderson Park;
  - To reflect the values and expectations of residents, workers and other stakeholders regarding the use, enjoyment, management and development of Anderson Park;
  - To ensure consistency with North Sydney Council Community Strategic Plan 2013-2023 and other relevant strategies, plans and policies;
  - To protect the environmental, social, recreational and heritage values and significance of Anderson Park; and
  - To develop a concept Masterplan that illustrates the proposed initiatives and actions.

The draft PoM/Masterplan examines the current character and condition of Anderson Park in a comprehensive manner, and establishes clear directions for future development and management. The document addresses relevant issues including landscape character, heritage, access and circulation, land use and recreation. It also identifies opportunities to upgrade and improve existing facilities and the overall condition and appearance of the Park. A Matrix sets out the major projects and programs that Council plans to undertake in coming years. The Masterplan drawing is a visual representation of the proposed alterations and improvements.

## **1. Public Exhibition**

Public exhibition of the draft PoM/Masterplan for Anderson Park took place in September and October 2018. The draft PoM/Masterplan, together with a Feedback Form, relevant Council reports and other supporting documents and background information, was available on Council's web site for the duration of the public exhibition period, and Council staff were available to discuss issues and provide clarification upon request. Documents available on Council's website were:

- 1 Documents that support the PoM/Masterplan:
  - Anderson Park Testing Options (Engagement/Consultation) Report, July 2018
  - Anderson Park Travel Plan, July 2018
  - Anderson Park Civil Engineering Report, May 2018
- 2 Council reports and other background information:
  - Council Report 27 August 2018 Anderson and Tunks Parks Plan of Management/ Masterplan – Project Update
  - Anderson Park Drop-In Session Boards
  - Anderson Park Options Testing Workshop Presentation 5 April 2018
  - Anderson Park Options Workshop Presentation 4 & 6 December 2018
  - Anderson Park Scoping Workshop Presentation 9 November 2017
  - Council Meeting Minutes 18 April 2016 – Plan of Management Anderson Park
  - Council Report 18 July 2016 – Masterplans Preparation Resourcing
  - Council Report 21 November 2016 – Masterplans Consultant Brief
  - Council Report 1 May 2017 – Masterplans Tender
  - Consultant's Brief – Anderson Park
  - Community Engagement Strategy – Anderson Park
  - Straight Talk – Engagement Background Information
  - Anderson Park FAQ

To inform the general community and other stakeholders that the draft PoM/Masterplan for Anderson Park was on public exhibition, the following measures were taken:

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- Notices were regularly placed in Council’s weekly corporate advertisement in the Mosman Daily throughout the public exhibition period
  - Information was distributed via social media (Council’s Facebook page and Twitter feed)
  - Information was included in Council e-newsletters including the Anderson Park, Precincts and Council e-newsletters
  - Information about the new draft Plan and an invitation to comment was emailed to:
    - o All Precincts
    - o Known stakeholder groups and individuals (including sportsground hirers, schools, P&F committees and other agencies including the Aboriginal Heritage Office and the North Shore Historical Society)
    - o Council’s Sport and Recreation Reference Group
    - o Councillors (via Councillor Bulletin)
    - o All Council staff
  - Flyer on Council’s Community Noticeboards in Civic Park

### **3.0 Submissions Received**

The public submission period closed on 24 October 2018. 6 submissions were received. The content of the submissions and the responses to the issues raised in them, including whether or not it is proposed to amend the draft PoM/Masterplan for Anderson Park is set out in **Attachment 1** - Summary of Submissions Received.

Following is a list of the key issues identified and addressed in the draft PoM/Masterplan. Where applicable, this is followed by a summary of the major points raised in the related public submissions. Note that in the case of some issues, no comments were received.

#### **3.1 Environment**

- o *Habitat Management*  
Existing areas of Anderson Park that have, or have the potential to have, habitat value need to be protected and managed appropriately. Weeds on the Kurraba Road embankment and under the Figs need to be controlled.
- o *Water Management*  
The stormwater drainage channel is part of the local drainage infrastructure. Poor water quality is regularly an issue, and this can detract from amenity and create habitat issues for the harbour.

#### **3.2 Heritage Management**

The heritage significance and values of the Park offer potential to be better interpreted. The draft PoM/Masterplan notes that the Kingsford Smith Memorial is in aged condition, and that there was community supported for upgrading this area. Upgrading would allow for improved access, and seating could be orientated ‘both ways’, enabling people to view the foreshore or look into the Park. Upgrading would also allow for interpretation and the historical plaques to be better integrated.

Feedback on the draft PoM/Masterplan from the North Shore Historical Society indicated an interest in the Memorial, and in the future of the existing plaques.

#### **3.3 Visual and Landscape Character**

- o *Shade and Tree Canopy Management*
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The Fig avenue, adjacent to Clark Road, and the Melaleuca avenue, adjacent to the foreshore, are attractive and important features of Anderson Park. However, the dense shade cast by the Figs has a negative impact on the quality and coverage of the grass beneath them and on the edges of the sports field. There is also community concern that some of the root zone is being eroded and compacted and that this may affect the health of the Figs in the long term.

- *Buildings*  
The amenities building is a prominent feature of the Park; the community were keen to see works undertaken to minimise the visual bulk of the building. Proposals to clad the building and the concrete benches with timber, and to paint the concrete steps a darker shade are included in the draft PoM/Masterplan.
- *Park Furniture and Lighting*  
Both pedestrian and sportsfield lighting were identified as issues to be addressed in future. Better lighting at Park entrances and along the path across the foreshore is needed, and, when the playing field is ‘shifted’ west, away from the foreshore, the sportsfield lighting may require modification. Consultation identified that the community were keen to see facilities for all age groups in the Park, and locations for fitness equipment are considered in the draft PoM/Masterplan.
- *Park Maintenance*  
The sportsfield is highly susceptible to wear due to its use levels (in winter) and the limitations of its soil, drainage and water table regime. The draft PoM/Masterplan looks at strategies to improve soil conditions, to provide subsoil drainage, to upgrade irrigation systems and to investigate whether a different turf type would be most effective.

### 3.4 Access

- *Sustainable Travel*  
A variety of issues that have an impact on access and sustainable travel to the Park are considered in the draft PoM/Masterplan. These include the constrained nature of pedestrian access around the Park due to boundary roadways and harbour frontage, significant vehicle volumes on surrounding roads reducing pedestrian amenity and the limited availability of cycling infrastructure around the Park. Strategies to address these issues are underpinned by a Sustainable Travel Plan, developed concurrently with the draft PoM/Masterplan.
- *Pedestrian and Cycle Access*  
Key issues to be addressed include the stepped footpaths from Kurraba Reserve which are in poor condition, lack of adequate pedestrian crossings to Kurraba Road and pedestrian safety issues for people accessing the Park from Clark/Kurraba Road and the Rawson Street intersection.

The submission from Milson Precinct requested that the Pedestrian Crossing at Margaret Street, be addressed, as it is often in shadow from the vegetation, and needs to be more visible. This will be addressed as part of the Travel Access Plan, proposed in the draft PoM/Masterplan.

1 submission received regarding the draft PoM/Masterplan proposed construction of an over-water connection between Anderson Park and the recently refurbished Sub-Base Platypus (and onwards to Kesterton Park). This is beyond the scope of

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the PoM/Masterplan, however it is also worth noting that over 10 privately owned waterfront properties, many with wharves and/or water's edge swimming pools, separate the Park from Sub-Base Platypus.

- *Vehicular Access and Parking*  
There is no parking within Anderson Park and there are limited opportunities to improve capacity for parking in the adjoining streets. The draft PoM/Masterplan recommends that in the long term, a project that studies traffic and pedestrian movement at the Kurraba Road, Clark Road, Rawson Street intersection to improve safety and amenity be undertaken by RMS in collaboration with Council's Traffic Section. The draft PoM/Masterplan also recommends investigating the feasibility of a shuttle bus service for sportsground users on Saturday mornings in winter.
- *Foreshore Open Space*  
This section of the Park is highly valued by the community who use it for a variety of purposes. The draft PoM/Masterplan sets out a series of proposals to improve the functioning and the amenity of this area, including shifting the playing field west (away from the foreshore), upgrading the foreshore path, upgrading the memorial, providing access to the water and providing a small water craft storage area.

Feedback on the draft PoM/Masterplan from Milson Precinct supported moving the sporting field west. Milson Precinct also supported the provision of a harbour access point for water craft, along with the proposed kayak storage at the north eastern end of the Park, as per the draft PoM/Masterplan.

- *Wayfinding and Interpretation*  
The draft PoM/Masterplan identified that there is limited wayfinding information in and around Anderson Park, and also a lack of interpretive information regarding the natural environment and the heritage of the Park which would add to user's experience.

### 3.5 Recreation

- *Organised Sports*  
The main issue of concern is the poor condition of the sports field in winter, and proposals in the draft PoM/Masterplan relate to how this can be rectified by upgrading the subsoil, drainage and irrigation, by investigating more appropriate turf species and by using the field for less than the maximum 32 hours a week. The draft PoM/Masterplan notes that Council has recently introduced reduced hours per week of field use in winter in an effort to reduce sportsfield wear and tear.

1 submission on the draft PoM/Masterplan supports the Council decision not to consider installing a synthetic surface at Anderson Park, 1 submission believes that a synthetic surface is the only way in which existing problems can be overcome, and 1 submission states that organised sport should be shifted to nearby Forsyth Park and Anderson Park become a landscaped parkland, similar to Milson Park.

## 4. Implementation and Next Steps

Following the adoption of the Draft PoM/Masterplan for Anderson Park, the Consultants will amend the draft document as required to produce the Final PoM/Masterplan. Implementation of actions set out in the document can then commence.

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The information contained in the following Table: ‘**Table 1 – Implementation**’ sets out some of the priority actions and projects that are scheduled to be carried out in coming years. Note that some of the listed works will require funding to implement. Note also that projects that are ‘ongoing’, such as vegetation management activities and other maintenance work, are not included in this Table.

**Table 1 –Implementation**

<b>Objective</b>	<b>Actions</b>
To assist community understanding and appreciation of the natural and cultural values of the Park	Enhance interpretation through the Park
Investigations into feasibility of harvested stormwater and roof water contribute to park maintenance	Investigate feasibility of connecting Anderson Park to water harvesting system currently in place in Forsyth Park – potential to connect via pipework to stormwater channels (Note there is already a dedicated tank for Anderson Park at Forsyth Park, as well as a connection point to hook into)
To increase the incidence of walking, cycling and public transport use to access Anderson Park	Develop a Transport Access Guide for Anderson Park (Note that this will include improvement works to relevant existing pedestrian crossings)
To improve ease and safety of pedestrian access into Park and provide a stronger connection between Warringa Park and Anderson Park and between Anderson park and the small retail strip	Relevant Council sections (Traffic/Traffic Planning) to liaise with RMS and initiate investigation of integrated public domain and traffic project to the intersection of Clark, Kurraba and Rawlinson Roads
To ensure effective access through the Park is available when sports field are in use	Investigate the feasibility of the provision of a boardwalk (beneath the Fig trees) providing accessible route connecting Clark/Kurraba Rd to the foreshore. The boardwalk could incorporate seating / viewing areas, site interpretation and appropriate safety barrier mulched zone over worn turf/ bare ground under Fig trees
Improved amenity and safety of existing access stairways and paths into Park	Investigate the feasibility of adding ramp to stair access off Clark Rd at south east end of foreshore
To maximise foreshore open space while improving promenade access experience	Investigate the feasibility of moving the promenade path west to increase foreshore grassed space adjoining seawall Upgrade memorial (taking existing plaques into consideration) and simplify edge walling to enable 2 way seating and allow access through
To reduce impact of tidal inundation on the Park	Investigate potential for seawall to be raised and foreshore grassed slope gradient to be reduced to make more usable and decrease level of inundation from spring tides
To improve cycle facilities across Anderson Park	Provide cycle racks in appropriate locations to sportsfield and to foreshore open space
To reduce single vehicle use as means of access to the Park	Investigate feasibility of a Shuttle Bus service from transport nodes and parking stations to sports facilities, including liaison with sports clubs
To improve the quality of the waterfront for water edge access and general public use	Move playing field line markings west. This will involve considering the position of the western synthetic cricket pitch and its potential to be relocated further west – or to top-dress during winter season. Provision of additional field lighting pole to eastern end of Park may also be required
To reduce the impacts of organised sports use on grass surface in the Park	Carry out the following measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Improve soil conditions</li> <li>- Check and upgrade irrigation to field and adjoining grass area</li> <li>- Trial alternative grass species</li> <li>- Improve field and grassed area drainage</li> </ul> (Note that when Council gets funding to undertake improvements to the sportsfield surface a new irrigation

Objective	Actions
	system will be designed to incorporate the hook up to the water harvesting system in place in nearby Forsyth Park) (Note also that although the upper limit of 32 hours per week of playing field use will remain, ((this is standard for all turf sportsfields in North Sydney)), Council has already reduced the winter playing field hours at the Park to around 25 hours per week to help overcome existing issues of wear and tear)
	Investigate potential to upgrade the existing cricket net to make it less isolated behind the amenities building and with an improved approach
To integrate outdoor exercise facilities within the Park	Provide exercise nodes at west end of the Park and at foreshore to function as a circuit, activate the west end of park and spread use across the Park
To provide Park facilities and settings attractive to all age groups	Review future potential for basketball shooting hoop at west end of Park near fitness equipment, or handball courts – subject to impact review on local residences in relation to potential noise issues
To enhance public access to and use of waterfront open space areas	Investigate feasibility of providing integrated sandstone steps into water to center of seawall frontage and/or to southern end Provide additional seats closer to water's edge Provide access to the water for small craft like kayaks
	Provide a small water craft storage facility (most likely for kayaks) in the 'eastern slopes' area of the Park, adjoining the foreshore. This is consistent with Council's Small Water Craft Storage Strategy 2018
To mitigate the visual impact and bulk of the Park amenities building	Implement works to reduce the visual prominence of the amenities building, for example: - timber cladding to blank facade panels - reducing visual prominence of seating step rises by painting them with a darker tone of grey - cladding the concrete benches with timber
To improve night lighting and sense of security for users	Investigate feasibility of enhanced lighting around the amenities building (i.e. mounted to building roof)
To use the kiosk space more effectively	Investigate options for alternative uses of kiosk and other spaces within and around the amenities building
To ensure facilities contribute to a unified and appropriate Park character	Progressively update park furniture to a coordinated suite of elements in accordance with Council's Public Domain Style Manual and Design Code 2018 When update furniture, refine locations and placement to be most effective
	Facilities are provided and located to minimise visual clutter and to serve multiple users
To provide for and encourage ongoing community involvement in improvement of Anderson Park	All major Park improvement projects to integrate community consultation as part of design process

## 5. Conclusion

The draft PoM/Masterplan for Anderson Park is a comprehensive document that sets out Council's strategic direction for management of the Park for the next 5 – 10 years. Management objectives, planning issues and proposed upgrading and improvement works are included in an Action Plan that shows the anticipated timing for the new works. The addition of information and comments made in the public submissions will ensure that the final PoM/Masterplan for Anderson Park is a comprehensive and thorough document, and an accurate reflection of community and stakeholder needs and concerns.

There will be further opportunities for the community and stakeholders to be involved in the implementation of the PoM/Masterplan for Anderson Park as the individual works set out in the document are addressed in coming years.

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**Draft Plan of Management (PoM) / Masterplan for Anderson Park**  
**Summary of submissions received during public exhibition period**  
**Prepared November 2018**

The following criteria are used to analyse all submissions received, and to determine whether or not the plan would be amended:

1. The Draft PoM/Masterplan for Anderson Park **would be** amended if the point:
  - a provided additional information of relevance.
  - b indicated or clarified a change in government legislation, Council's commitment or management policy.
  - c proposed strategies that would better achieve or assist with Council's objectives.
  - d was an alternate viewpoint received on the topic and is considered a better option than that proposed in the Draft Plan or;
  - e indicated omissions, inaccuracies or a lack of clarity.
  
2. The Draft PoM/Masterplan for Anderson Park **would not be** amended if the point:
  - a addressed issues beyond the scope of the Plan.
  - b was already in the plan or will be considered during the development of a subordinate plan (prepared by Council).
  - c offered an open statement, or no change was sought.
  - d clearly supported the draft proposals.
  - e was an alternate viewpoint received on the topic but the recommendation of the draft plan was still considered the best option.
  - f was based on incorrect information.
  - g contributed options that are not possible (generally due to some aspect of existing legislation or government policy) or; involved details that are not appropriate or necessary for inclusion in a document aimed at providing a strategic community direction over the long term.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT COUNCILLORS REFER TO THE COMPLETE SUBMISSIONS MADE AVAILABLE TO THEM, AND TO THE REPORT TO COUNCIL, WHICH EXPANDS ON THE ISSUES RAISED IN THE SUBMISSIONS.**

Issue	Key Points Raised	Response	Recommend Plan be Amended Y or N	Criteria Code	Plan Page Number
1	<p>Any plan should include at least one artificial football field as the playing surface is very poor and at times dangerous.</p> <p>The changing facilities seem to already be of a reasonable standard at Anderson Park but the playing facilities are third world. See Cammeray Park for a good model.</p> <p>Any plan that doesn't include these measures will be a failure.</p>	<p>At its meeting of 20 November 2017, Council resolved to proceed with a Plan of Management that excluded artificial turf from consideration in Anderson Park.</p> <p>No change to the PoM/Masterplan.</p>	N	2g	NA
2	<p>The grass in Anderson Park cannot sustain the current level of organised sports activities, in part due to the overshadowing fig trees and also due to poor drainage characteristics of the recovered land.</p> <p>Forsyth Park is five minutes walk away and offers excellent sports facilities.</p> <p>Anderson Park would be improved markedly by removing field sports and landscaping the park for non-sports related activities using Milson Park as a model.</p>	<p>The draft PoM notes that some sports fixtures have already been moved to alternative sportsfields (to reduce wear and tear on Anderson Park), but that any further movement is not possible as neighbouring sportsfields are at capacity.</p> <p>The draft PoM/Masterplan sets out a range of measures to improve the grass cover and general condition of the sportsfield including improving soil and sub-soil conditions, upgrading drainage and irrigation systems, trialling alternative grass species and keeping weekly hours of use during winter well below the 32 hpw limit.</p> <p>North Sydney has a proven existing shortage of sportsfields (Draft NSROC Regional Sportsground Strategy Review 2017), and thus would not consider repurposing an existing facility.</p> <p>No change to the PoM/Masterplan.</p>	N	2e	41
3	<p>\$150,000 of rate payer money for a 106-page report to paint the sheds green, add a few lights to the path behind Captain Cook Cruisers, reseed the grass, add some fitness equipment?</p> <p>Well the good news is we are not going to have any astro turf.</p> <p>Bottom line: its a public park dedicated for the sole purpose of public recreation. Not an asset to be offered up to selected small pressure groups or those with special interests. Leave it alone.</p>	<p>As per the project brief, the draft PoM/Masterplan is 'low-intervention', designed not to significantly change Anderson Park, but to address issues causing community concern and upgrade the general amenity of the Park.</p> <p>The Council resolution of 20 November 2017 which excluded artificial turf from consideration at Anderson Park was instrumental in allaying community concerns about the future of the Park.</p> <p>No change to the PoM/Masterplan.</p>	N	2c	NA

Issue	Key Points Raised	Response	Recommend Plan be Amended Y or N	Criteria Code	Plan Page Number
4	A level, overwater walkway from Anderson Park to the newly refurbished submarine base would open up the base for many more users and allow level access to Kesterton Park and North Sydney Wharf.	Numerous private properties with associated maritime structures including jetties and wharves preclude this. No change to PoM/Masterplan.	N	2a	NA
5	Milson Precinct would like to see additional ramp access to amenity block from the waterside of the park so that disability groups do not have to traverse the length of the park's grasses to access the toilets.	Comments received during the community engagement workshops at the concept options stage revealed strong community feeling that the amenities block was too visually bulky, and the Consultants were charged with considering how the visual impact of the building could be minimised. A ramp providing access for all is located on the western side of the building, and constructing another ramp, at the other end of the building is not warranted as it would significantly increase the footprint of the building in the Park. No change to PoM/Masterplan.	N	2e	47
6	Milson Precinct support moving the promenade walk further into the Park.	Noted. No change to PoM/Masterplan.	N	2d	62
7	Milson Precinct believe that moving the sporting fields further west is appropriate.	Noted. No change to PoM/Masterplan.	N	2d	62
8	Milson Precinct would like to see water craft access to the harbour, along with Kayak storage as being proposed at the north eastern end of the park.	Noted. No change to PoM/Masterplan.	N	2d	67-8
9	Milson Precinct would also request that the Pedestrian Crossing at Margaret Street, be addressed, as it is often in shadow from the vegetation, and needs to be more visible.	Noted. The draft PoM/Masterplan focuses on providing safer pedestrian access to the Park from the northern and eastern sides. While the Masterplan includes this pedestrian crossing, it is not identified for upgrading. The PoM/Masterplan will be amended to investigate how this crossing can be made more visible. No change to PoM/Masterplan.	Y	1a	57

Issue	Key Points Raised	Response	Recommend Plan be Amended Y or N	Criteria Code	Plan Page Number
10	Council recently completed an access audit of Anderson Park. Recommended works to improve access for all can be incorporated into the Plan of Management	Noted. No change to PoM/Masterplan.	N	2b	NA
11	The North Shore Historical Society is interested in the 3 plaques in the foreshore area of the park, and what will become of them if the foreshore area is redeveloped. Will they be refurbished, relocated or replaced? Also believe an additional plaque should be installed, celebrating Nancy Bird Wake. NSHS would like to be contacted regarding the future of the plaques when the foreshore upgrading of the Memorial occurs.	Noted. When the foreshore area of Anderson Park is upgraded works will include upgrading of the Kingsford Smith Memorial wall and seating area where the plaques are currently located. Council will contact the North Shore Historical Society at this time and seek their input regarding the future of the plaques and the memorial space in general. No change to the PoM/Masterplan.	N	2c	46