

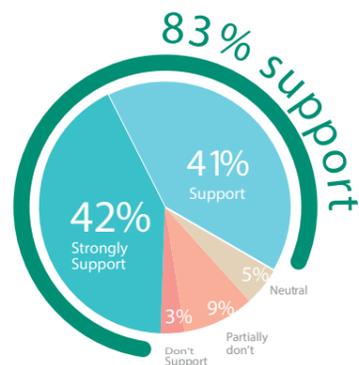
Community feedback summary on first draft master plan

This is a summary of feedback received during phase three of community engagement undertaken in July/August 2018. Feedback was received via Yoursay website survey, in person at drop-in events and via email. 120 formal surveys were received and around 150 individuals also provided comments at events.

Feedback summary

How this helped to refine the master plan

Green & Pedestrian Friendly Edge



Common support themes:

- Addressing pedestrian safety is very important
- More shady trees and greening
- Perimeter path a great option for walkers

Key considerations raised:

- Preference for zebra crossings over signalised intersections
- Mixed views on edge fencing as appropriate - prefer hedges or gardens
- Query if better to have more green planting between roadway and new perimeter path
- Keeping traffic moving, particularly in peak

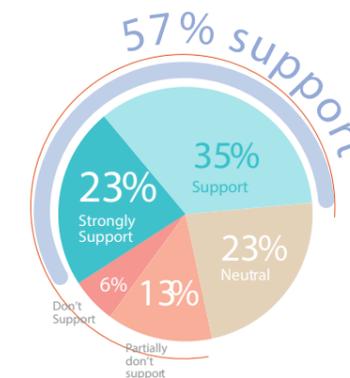
Under Action 1: Create a green and pedestrian-friendly edge

- Emphasise the importance of reworking the three northern intersections in an integrated way to address the complexity of pedestrian, cycling and vehicle movements, improve safety, while maintaining peak hour flow
 - Include pursuit of improved on-road bikeway infrastructure to support north-south travel
 - Undertake further detailed modeling of introducing signals at traffic intersections to identify detailed design of signal timing at peak and non peak periods
 - Move away from open fencing, instead using garden beds to create low edges
- Key points to further in detailed design:
- Appropriate detailed design of the perimeter path and edge greening, taking into account maintenance practicalities, achieving green feel and pedestrian separation from roadway

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Movement



Common support themes:

- Slowing down drivers and making pedestrian access easier

Key considerations raised:

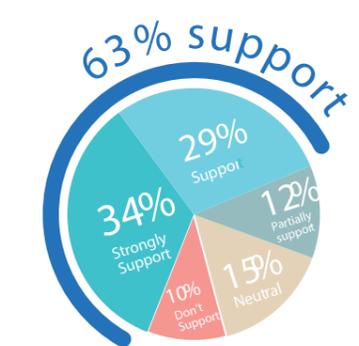
- Mixed views of full intersection traffic signals - range of comments
- Importance of better on-road cycling infrastructure
- Importance of low speed riding on paths in the square and minimise conflicts with pedestrians

- Addressed under Action 1 and Action 2 see above and below.

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Variety of Big & Small Spaces



Common support themes:

- Useable spaces that will be adaptable to different uses
- More garden beds and better range of seating a positive

Key considerations raised:

- Don't make square too complex or lose informal park feel
- Query whether open lawns might mean active recreation dominates space too much
- Ensure lots of shade trees and avoid removing existing mature trees

Under Action 2: Shape a variety of spaces:

- Refine proposed path layout, including ensuring secondary paths accommodate desire lines such as north-south movement
 - Retaining a higher number of existing mature trees of non-preferred species allergy and/or poor shape) for the medium term to allow time for new trees to grow more
 - More new large feature trees on the edge of the open lawn areas to provide summer shade
- Key points to further explore in detailed design:
- Ensure appropriate balance achieved between sufficient path space for cycling turning and minimising conflicts between low speed cycling and pedestrians, and not having hard stand of paths dominate the green character of the square
 - Balance new gardens and seating while maintaining relaxed character and avoiding 'contrived' spaces

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Central Hub



Common support themes:

- Welcome upgraded facilities and centre space encouraging people to enjoy square
- Lighting for evening activity

Key considerations raised:

- Query value of having a building for facilities
- Raise importance of building not dominating the centre of the square
- Minimising antisocial behaviour and ensuring good sight lines at night
- Ensure it actually enhances the basketball court - avoid conflict with other uses and events
- Important to balance so it doesn't feel like too much hard stand - keep a green feeling to the central hub

Under Action 3: Provide a hub for activity and social connections

- Proposing an different illustrative location for the amenities building within the central hub to reduce the chance of visual dominance
- Articulating the intent for the design of the amenities building not to dominate the park, and showing inspiration images of similar types of structures
- Include intention for art and/or water feature to be key features of the hub, along with ensuring any hard stand is balanced with greening to maintain park character

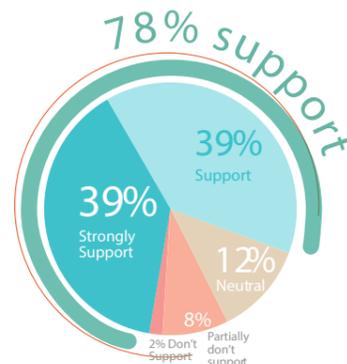
Key points to further explore in detailed design:

- Explore detailed options for configuration of the central hub to identify best arrangement of through movement paths, activity areas, building position for safety, use and visual impact and ensuring the overall green character of the square isn't impacted by the hub

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Trees and Gardens



Common support themes:

- Strong support for increasing tree numbers
- Desire for well positioned shade including over paths and seats
- New relaxed gardens

Key considerations raised:

- Concern about removal of existing mature trees - particularly at start
- Length of time for new trees to grow means period with less shade
- Loss of habitat

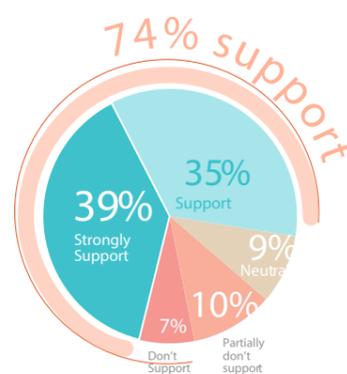
Under Action 4: Cultivate trees and gardens as key features

- More clearly indicate the extent of existing mature trees for retention and incorporation
- Stage removal of identified existing mature trees of sub-optimal species (allergies), condition, form and/or position, to occur gradually following establishment of new trees
- Include more trees on the northern and western edges of the open lawns and the central hub to ensure sufficient summer shade and softening of hard surfaces

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Lighting



Common support themes:

- Very strong support for increased lighting
- Support opportunities for play for children
- Support for art themes that reflect local area

Key considerations raised:

- Art and play that is complementary to green park feel rather than too dominant
- Mixed views on water feature
- Important to get lighting balance right, including not impacting native fauna

- General minor refinements to Action 5 and 6

Support for draft master plan 'Overall'

