Johnstons Creek rehabilitation Consultation outcomes snapshot



July 2017

The project

In 2016 Sydney Water investigated options to rehabilitate a section of Johnstons Creek, Annandale.

We consulted the community and stakeholders online, face to face and in writing through surveys, workshops and an information day between July and November 2016.

We are now finalising the concept design for rehabilitating Johnstons Creek thanks to your feedback. The preferred option, based on consultation, is to naturalise the channel by replacing concrete banks with ones made of sandstone blocks and native plants.

Here's what we did...

We consulted to find out why the community visit Johnstons Creek and how they felt about different options to rehabilitate the creek.

July

Initial letter sent to around 1000 homes August

Workshop to plan the concept design with Council and key stakeholders

> Newsletter & feedback survey sent to around 1000 homes

September

Advertisement to promote the community information day in local newspaper

Sydney Water Talk online engagement

Update newsletter sent to around 1000 homes

Sydney Water Talk online microsite with forum, mapping tool, and surveys

November

Community information day on location at Jubilee Park

Social media posts on Facebook and Twitter

Workshop to discuss the draft concept design with Council and key stakeholders

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Here's what the community said...

Sydney Water received 102 responses including 75 community surveys and 27 responses through the feedback survey at the community information day.



Feedback on the preliminary naturalisation concept design

Of the 27 respondents who provided feedback on the preliminary naturalisation concept design at the community information day:

96%

supported the 'winding' design to re-create the appearance and sound of a natural waterway.

96%

supported including a lookout and seating areas to view birdlife around the creek.

93%

supported the inclusion of saltmarsh areas on either side of the creek.

85%

supported the idea of a boardwalk over the top of the saltmarsh.

Next steps

Thank you to everyone who provided feedback.

- We've used the feedback above to finalise the concept design with a winding naturalised creek, lookout, seating area, and saltmarsh.
- We're reviewing the environmental impacts of the concept design and how to manage these impacts.
- We'll submit the final concept design for other approvals in 2017.

We anticipate the next phase of detailed design and construction will happen between 2018 and 2021. Timing depends on available funds and prioritisation of projects. We will keep you updated.

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