



JOIRA OVAL PLAY SPACE DRAFT MASTERPLAN

Dubbo Regional Council (DRC) is inviting the community to provide feedback on the draft masterplan for a play space in Delroy Parklands, West Dubbo. The masterplan was developed following a commitment identified within the recently adopted Mayoral Playground Shade Improvement Program.

Installation of a new play space within Delroy Parklands/Grangewood Estate area was identified, to cater for population growth in this area and help balance the current inequity between West and East Dubbo recreational opportunities.

Mayor of the Dubbo region, Councillor Ben Shields said the proposed site of the playground is the perfect area to provide additional recreational opportunities for the West Dubbo community. "Dubbo has a great variety of recreational opportunities for families, particularly in the East of Dubbo. The proposed playground location is on the eastern side of Joira Oval, nestled in a growth area which presents Council and the community with an opportunity to provide children an area to play, gather and in turn practice social, emotional, cognitive and physical

skills,” said Councillor Shields.

The proposed play space will create a key connection to Delroy Parklands and the existing pedestrian accessible path system.

Director of Liveability, Skye Price said access to the site will be a key focus of the project. “While Council will identify some safe areas families can park motor vehicles, we are encouraging the nearby residents to access this considered equipment via the existing pedestrian path infrastructure that connects the neighbourhood, to promote health and wellbeing,” said Ms Price.

The draft plan is now on display online via Council’s website and identifies a proposed nature-based playground incorporating park furniture, natural and built (shade cloth) shaded areas, with a range of play elements, such as swings and slides. The space will feature soft fall materials along with open irrigated turf areas. The playground has been designed to cater for all ages and abilities creating an all-inclusive recreational opportunity. The proposed play space will also include the extension of plantings adjacent to and within the swale drains (wide/shallow turf covered drainage) with endemic (local) tree species.

The draft plan has been placed on public exhibition for 28 days from 8 February 2021 until midnight 7 March 2021. Council is particularly interested in the community feedback with regards to the proposed play space design and its location within Joira Oval.

You can view the masterplan in its entirety at <https://www.dubbo.nsw.gov.au/public-exhibition/joira-oval-playground-draft-plan>

Submissions can be made via: Email – council@dubbo.nsw.gov.au, Council's online submission form or Post – PO Box 81 Dubbo NSW 2830.

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