Improvements to Public Toilets - Community Engagement Summary Report

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Overview

Consultation Purpose
The purpose of the consultation is to gauge the community’s response to the Draft Public Toilet Strategy, 2019-2023. The Strategy proposes a methodology and resulting schedule of projects for new and upgraded toilet facilities across Bayside.

Consultation Methodology
Council held a drop in session at Green Point, and sought feedback through the Have Your Say website and the Bayside Council Facebook page. Letter drops were made to specific locales affected by specific proposals and signage about the consultation was placed at all relevant facilities. 198 responses were received online, as well as direct phone calls to officers and written submissions.

Two key factors in the selection criteria for the initial list of projects are safety and accessibility.

Main features of Draft Strategy
Council initially proposed one new public toilet at Green Point, three ‘Changing Places’ (for people with significant disabilities) located at the North Road Foreshore, Thomas Street Reserve and Ricketts Point. A number of replacement facilities were also proposed over the four-year program, and two existing toilets were identified for possible closure or relocation; one at Rickett’s Point, and another at Table Rock.

Main Feedback
The community sent a clear message about the need to retain and improve the existing toilet at Table Rock which is required by the 1st Beaumaris Sea Scouts, walking groups and other Community groups.

Otherwise there was no significant opposition to any particular proposal within the draft Strategy. The proposal for a new facility at Green Point was supported in 22 or 25 responses.

The changing places proposals (3 locations: Thomas Street Reserve, Ricketts Point and North Point were proposed) were met with a small but considered and mixed response. Subsequent research and feedback from other managers of these assets has caused officers to reassess the suitability of changing places under the current proposal and refer the requirement to pavilion planners.

Lastly, Council did not receive support for the proposal to remove the automated Exeloo facility at Rickets Point. This facility will be retained.

A lot of feedback received was for facilities that are out of scope for this strategy. It (the Strategy) does not include most toilets in sporting pavilions or masterplans (i.e. Dendy Street foreshore Masterplan).

Next steps
As noted above, Council will make the relevant changes to the Draft Public Toilet Strategy and schedule the works in the next 4 Capital budgets.
1 Background

There are 62 public toilets within Bayside located in civic areas, sportsgrounds, parks and along the foreshore. Since the endorsement of the Public Toilet Strategy 2012, there has been a guided effort to upgrade and improve facilities, with several new facilities being implemented. The intent of this Strategy was to provide simple high-quality facilities that are easily managed and considered comfortable by the broader community.

Council has begun to replace older automated facilities, which have been expensive and difficult to manage and maintain, being prone to electronic and mechanical breakdown. This work will continue as these assets reach the end of their useful life, or are deemed unable to provide an adequate service to the community. The 2012 Strategy is now due for review.

This document provides a summary of stakeholder and community feedback on the draft Public Toilet Strategy 2019-2023. The objective of the Public Toilet Strategy 2019-2023 is to manage public toilet facilities to the highest standard, with the greatest emphasis on those that are in highest demand, in the most sensitive locations (e.g. activity centres, tourism nodes, foreshore), are in poorest condition, have poor accessibility or don’t provide a sense of safety.

The current Council Plan (2018 Review) has an action to continue the public toilet works program “to progressively improve all of our lowest performing public toilets”. A key output from the revised Strategy is a forward program of works over the next four years. Council has had less success implementing new facilities along the foreshore where despite an identified need for public facilities in the Strategy, proposals have not been supported during the foreshore master planning process.

This engagement process was intended to:
1. seek community and visitor feedback on the general direction of the draft Strategy including how Council prioritises public toilet renewal, the need for accessible change facilities and our criteria for constructing new toilets; and;
2. seek feedback on five specific toilet sites in Beaumaris, Hampton and Brighton.

2 Definitions and scope

The engagement process was open to all residents and any visitors/tourists to the Bayside area. Several iconic or destination sites are included in this draft Strategy - Green Point, North Point, Ricketts Point and Thomas Street Reserve.

Stakeholders

Within this document, reference is made to stakeholders. These stakeholders are:

- Residents and traders overlooking/adjoining the five specific sites;
- Residents and traders overlooking/adjoining new and existing toilets;
- Community members and visitors who rely on public toilets particularly parents/carers of young children and the elderly;
- People with disabilities, carers, and disability services/advocates;
- Community groups/Friends of groups who use the toilets;
- Sports clubs/participants who use an existing or planned new pavilion;
- Councillors and internal Council departments – Communications, Environmental Sustainability, Open Space, Recreation and Wellbeing.
### Non-negotiables

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<th>Prioritisation Categories</th>
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<td></td>
<td>Will consider feedback on ratings for specific facilities for potential review</td>
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<tr>
<td>Annual budget allocation</td>
<td>Introduction of new toilet at Green Point (north of carpark)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bayside have a standard toilet design with minimal deviation from the design.</td>
<td>Introduction of new Changing Places at North Point, adjacent to existing</td>
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<td>Introduction of new Changing Places at Ricketts Point, adjacent to existing</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Introduction of new Changing Places at Thomas Street, adjacent to all-abilities playground and existing toilet</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Removal/relocation or replacement of facilities at Table Rock</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Removal/replacement of facilities at Ricketts Point</td>
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### 2.1 Related Council documents and consultations

- *Bayside Coastal Management Plan 2014* and associated foreshore masterplans
- *Environmental Sustainability Framework 2016-2025*
- *2025 Community Plan*
- *Bayside Tourism Strategy 2013*
- *Bayside Sportsground Pavilion Improvement Plan*

### 3 Consultation process

#### 3.1 Consultation purpose

The consultation was designed to provide stakeholders, residents and visitors with the opportunity to provide feedback on the general direction of the draft *Public Toilet Strategy 2019-2023*, and/or feedback on five specific toilet sites in Beaumaris, Hampton and Brighton.

#### 3.2 Consultation methodology

The following activities were undertaken:

- project information and surveys hosted on the on-line engagement platform *Have Your Say*;
- one drop-in session held at Green Point in Brighton;
- promotion of the project using Council communication channels including social media.
Details | Activity
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**Saturday 15 September 2018**
9am – 11am
Green Point, Brighton

Poor weather
10 people/surveys

**7 September – 14 October 2018**

519 visitors
163 contributors
274 contributions
38 project followers

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 Intercept surveys/listening post (Drop-in session)
Attendees completed either the general survey, or a site-specific survey.

**On-line engagement platform Have Your Say**
General survey – questions on the direction of the draft Strategy including how Council prioritises public toilet renewal, the need for accessible change facilities and our criteria for constructing new toilets.

Site-specific surveys regarding 5 toilet sites in the suburbs of Beaumaris, Hampton and Brighton.

**7 September – 7 October 2018**

Social media *Bayside Council Facebook page*
Facebook posts made in response to key messages and promotion of feedback opportunity

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4 Participant profile

**Listening post - 15 September 2018**

Ten attendees made the trip to the listening post – all were between 45 and 70 years of age, mostly regulars who walk themselves or with their dogs. On the proposed provision of a new Green Point toilet, all were fully supportive while one was neutral. Siting of the new toilet was an issue. Most felt that the carpark area was best, but Council needs to find ways to reduce the visual impact.

**On-line survey respondents**

There were 198 responses in total, to the six surveys. The percentages shown in these charts could double-count any individuals who completed multiple surveys (responses are anonymous). Provision of demographic information in the surveys was optional so the percentages shown total only those responses that volunteered demographic information.

The majority of survey responses were from adults aged 45-64 years of age and this age cohort was over-represented, compared to the proportion in the general Bayside community.
Nearly 80% of responses showed regular visitation to the five toilet sites – either daily, 3-4 times a week or weekly. Nearly one in three responses were from a parent of a baby or young child and 13% were from either a carer or a person with a disability.

### 5 Consultation findings

The following section summarises the key themes which arose in community feedback on Improvements to Public Toilets. In the interest of stakeholder and community privacy, individual quotes have not been included within this public document. Where there was more than one mention of a topic or item, the number of mentions has been specified in brackets and italics.

#### 5.1 Support for actions

Council sought community views on the provision of a new toilet facility at Green Point. The majority of respondents want to see this new facility provided for users of the park, the trail and the carpark (i.e. tourist buses).

A key area that Council sought feedback on was the use and location of the toilet at Table Rock as the audit identified safety concerns under CPTED (Community Protection through Environmental Design). The facilities usage, placement, design and visibility were a concern from the initial audit. The consultation revealed that the facility is in high demand and required by a number of user groups. Council officers subsequently met key stakeholders on site to further discuss this issue and tension between conflicting goals: advancing the safety of the location vs retaining its original design.

Another key driver for the draft program was accessibility, with many of Bayside’s toilets not currently able to service people with disabilities. Respondents were generally supportive of proposals to improve accessibility, including the proposal to introduce up to three new ‘changing place’ facilities for people with significant disabilities.

#### 5.2 Feedback on the draft Strategy

##### 5.2.1 Assessment scores given to highest priority toilets

Of the 30 responses to the general survey about the draft strategy, 13 (43%) recommended changing one or more of the assessment scores given to the 20 toilets considered highest priority for upgrade or renewal. Of these 13 responses, nine provided a comment on the specific criteria however some individuals commented on more than one toilet in their response. Three responses were not relevant to this specific question and so were included later in this report as general comments. Council notes that it engaged an independent
A consultant to apply ranking across the entire public toilet inventory to improve consistency of scoring and to reduce bias.

A summary of their recommended changes is shown below:

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<th>Relevant criteria</th>
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<td>Three with Access score less than 5</td>
<td>Disability Access</td>
<td>There are no accessible bathrooms that enable people with a disability to engage in community relationships with the same choices as their friends, family and peers. We should all be able to engage in all aspects of life without the worry of time needed to return home to use a bathroom.</td>
<td>Partially (Sillitoe Reserve)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Brighton Beach foreshore (both)</td>
<td>Demand, Safety</td>
<td>Should have a higher number for demand as the toilets used by tourists/beachgoers especially during summer peak. Kinane Street - very unsafe because of location and lighting.</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thomas Street carpark</td>
<td>Demand, Performance</td>
<td>Merits a higher ranking as it is used by locals, visitors, commuters and workers, including construction workers, as well as across a range of demographic groups. It is outdated, the facility is very run down and it could benefit from an additional facility being added. The cleaning staff do a very good job but the facility needs a serious upgrade.</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<tr>
<td>Elsternwick Park</td>
<td>Demand</td>
<td>Need to be upgraded to 5. I know there are temporary ones located. The distance from the oval to these is too far. Sports teams are plentiful as we head into warmer weather. I don't want to see young men urinate in the bushes when there are young children around.</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Black Rock Gardens Foreshore</td>
<td>Disability Access</td>
<td>I would place as a higher priority. The current toilets have zero disability and pram access.</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Black Rock Gardens Foreshore</td>
<td>All scores</td>
<td>Scores should be: 4,3,4,4</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Black Rock Gardens Foreshore</td>
<td>Demand, Performance, Disability Access</td>
<td>I have found the Black Rock Gardens loo very useful despite the narrow entrance and have seen others use it. I am surprised at the low demand shown in table. The Black Rock toilets are a little awkward to use and certainly could not accommodate some disabled.</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Brighton Beach - lifesaving club</td>
<td>Demand, Performance</td>
<td>Demand should be 5 - that beach is jammed with overseas tourists every day of the week. Performance a 4 - no way a 2 at best. Considering the rates in Brighton area and the amount of people and that beach is so popular with people overseas you would think it would have the best toilet facilities. They need a cleaner every hour &amp; a massive upgrade</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Brighton Beach - lifesaving club</td>
<td>Disability Access</td>
<td>We attended an event there and I couldn’t take my husband to the toilet as there was no accessible toilet. So not sure why you have given it a rating. If you build accessible toilets - people with mobility impairments will come to those areas.</td>
<td>No</td>
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<tr>
<td>Half Moon Bay</td>
<td>All scores</td>
<td>Scores should be: 4,3,4,3</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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1 In Table 1 of the Draft Strategy a number of toilets were flagged as out of the Strategy’s scope. This is because those facilities are being addressed under the Sportsground Pavilion Improvement Plan or Foreshore Masterplans. Any comments received are passed on to the relevant staff.
5.2.2 Other public toilets needing upgrade or renewal

Respondents provided comments on other upgrade projects, but also commented on new toilets and toilets already highlighted as priorities in the draft Strategy (eg Table Rock). Please note that some of these may already be included in planned sports pavilion upgrades or foreshore/precinct masterplans.

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<td>Hurlingham Park</td>
<td>(2) disability access</td>
<td>Has 1 disability access toilet at pavilion.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Beaumaris Concourse</td>
<td>Parents room needed, toilet also need an upgrade</td>
<td>Addressed in program</td>
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<tr>
<td>Brighton Library</td>
<td>Small, not suitable for people with disabilities</td>
<td>Not in scope</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dendy Park</td>
<td>not sure which toilet</td>
<td>Not in scope</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sandringham Beach - lifesaving club</td>
<td>Change rooms, outdoor showers</td>
<td>Not in scope</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Will Street, Hampton</td>
<td>Damaged</td>
<td>Addressed in program</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pennydale Park</td>
<td>New toilet required</td>
<td>Neighbourhood Park. New toilets tend to be located in high demand or strategic areas. Only one request received.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Brighton Beach - lifesaving club</td>
<td>(1)</td>
<td>Not in scope</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Table Rock, Beaumaris</td>
<td>(2)</td>
<td>Addressed in program</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thomas Street</td>
<td>(2)</td>
<td>Addressed in program</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>South Hampton foreshore</td>
<td></td>
<td>Not in scope</td>
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5.2.3 Other public toilets needing new facilities for people with a disability

(in addition to Ricketts Point, Thomas Street Reserve and North Point).

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<tr>
<td>Bay Street, Church Street - Brighton</td>
<td>New toilets? Need to be easy to find</td>
<td>Church Street (Well Street Carpark) to be upgraded. Bay Street (Marion Street Carpark) reassessed as adequate for this strategy.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hurlingham Park</td>
<td>(3) Near BBQ and playground, service Nepean Hwy</td>
<td>New accessible toilet is provided &lt; 100m away.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Brighton Library</td>
<td></td>
<td>Not in scope</td>
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<tr>
<td>Table Rock, Beaumaris</td>
<td></td>
<td>Will receive a new accessible toilet.</td>
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<td>Brighton Baths Cafe</td>
<td></td>
<td>Not in scope</td>
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<tr>
<td>Half Moon Bay</td>
<td></td>
<td>Not in scope (Being addressed under Red Bluff to Half Moon Bay Masterplan)</td>
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Some respondents also made comments regarding the need for all public toilets to have disabled access, and the need for Council to police the use of these toilets by ‘able-bodied’ people.

### 5.2.4 Other public toilets needing more regular cleaning/maintenance

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<td>Bayside? Library</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Brighton Beach – lifesaving club</td>
<td>(2)</td>
<td>Details forwarded to maintenance to ensure cleaning timetable followed.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sandringham Beach - lifesaving club</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Ricketts Point - Exeloo B18 carpark</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Brighton Baths</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Willis Street, Hampton</td>
<td>(2)</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Hampton Beach – lifesaving club</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Thomas Street carpark</td>
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<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Brighton Beach – Kinane Street</td>
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<tr>
<td>Jetty Road</td>
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### 5.2.5 Other locations where a new public toilet is needed

Respondents were asked to nominate locations where new public toilets were needed (refer to Map 1). The four responses received were Pennydale Park in Cheltenham, Hurlingham Park along Nepean Highway and two locations in Hampton East (near Coles supermarket on Bluff Road, next to Moorabbin Baseball Club at AW Oliver Baseball Park).

Council’s focus for new facilities is based on busy, high profile areas, significant community demand or where lack of facility creates anti-social behaviour (i.e. public urination).

Pennydale Park is a neighbourhood park and not in a strategic location. Only one request received.

Hurlingham Park is supplied with a new all abilities toilet.

Near Coles supermarket on Bluff Road: 3 Nearby reserves within 200 metres (Boss James, RG Chisolm and Petersen Street). Not an identified as a busy or high profile area but may become a better candidate in the next (2024) strategy.

Moorabbin Baseball Club at AW Oliver Baseball Park: Dedicated sportsgrounds and pavilions. Nearby GL Basterfield Park which has a new toilet is more multi-use with rotundas, playground, barbeque area etc.
5.2.6 Feedback received on Bayside Council Facebook page

Over the 7 September – 7 October 2018 period, there were 84 posts (including replies from Council officers). These Facebook posts were categorised as follows (number of posts in brackets):
- Requests for new toilets or upgrades at specific sites (17)
- Functionality of toilets including disability access/facilities (13)
- Complaints or comments about cleanliness of specific toilets (10)
- Positive comments or compliments (8)
- Maintenance requests/comments (3)
- Other comments not related to public toilet (33).
5.3 Feedback on specific sites

5.3.1 Green Point, Brighton

The draft Strategy proposes that a new public toilet be constructed at the northern end of the carpark on the Green Point foreshore. There were 25 responses to the Green Point survey. Nearly half (12) of these responses were from people aged 65 years and over. There were five responses from parents/carers of a baby or young child and three responses from a carer/family member of a person with a disability.

The majority of the responses (22 of the 25) supported the construction of a new public toilet in the vicinity of the northern end of the Green Point carpark. Of the 22 responses supporting the construction, 15 were regular visitors to Green Point – either daily, 3-4 times a week or weekly.

Participants were asked to mark their recommended location on a map (refer to Map 2) and to comment on why it would be a good location.

Two (2) respondents did not support a new facility stating that the Green Point foreshore toilet (300 metres to the South) is sufficient.

Map 2: Basic map of recommended locations for Green Point toilet

Four responses were provided with the following comments (with some editing):

- **Location needs to be central to serve the carpark and reserve (but not in the middle of the reserve)**;
- **In the south, facing the city … best view in Melbourne … A cafe 24 feet wide and 50 feet long with a function room at the end would be amazing. Toilets could be underneath where there would be an overhang and there is plenty of parking**;
- **Re café: site could be developed relatively cheaply … needed resource in a totally wasted space**;
- **Location between the carpark and pavilion on the pathways through to the foreshore**;
• Hard to pick on map but suggest behind shelter and near small pedestrian entrance from carpark. Needed for picnicking families and with clear signage - current change rooms/toilets on beach (south) are too far for children and elderly.

Additional responses about location were provided (in the question regarding design):
• Close to car park/next to the car park/supports locating toilet in car park
• Land side of the car park with trees on land side and open from car park
• Do not ‘cluster’ the nice view or foreshore with a toilet
• Northern site is strongly opposed as it is a favourite vantage point for photographs of the city skyline and bathing boxes in foreground
• Inside park /tree area where not visible, not car park, do not disturb views from sea
• Recommend toilet in central location of car park, similar to the beachfront toilets nearer Hampton
• The facilities should be located near the old pavilion and complimentary to it.

Participants were asked for suggestions for the new toilet’s general appearance – their comments are shown below:

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<th>Comments (numbers in brackets)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Additional facilities</td>
<td>Café/kiosk (2) - tourism benefit, capitalise city views on cliff edge BBQ (2), drinking fountain, playground, art</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Colour</td>
<td>Heritage, blue and green doors</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Style</td>
<td>Natural, blending into environment, make it fit in with the landscape Needs to be prominent design due to tourist destination</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Scale</td>
<td>Small &amp; inexpensive, minimum visual impact</td>
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5.3.2 North Point, Brighton

The draft Strategy proposes new facilities for people with a disability, next to the existing public toilet at North Point in Brighton. There were eight responses to the North Point survey, with 6 of these from people aged 45-64 years. The majority of the responses (7 of the 8) supported new facilities for people with a disability, next to the existing public toilet. Participants were asked for suggestions for the new toilet’s general appearance – the one relevant comment was that the new facility should blend in with the North Road café.

North Point has since entered a new stage of redesign for the café and foreshore. The toilets are adequate currently, so as a result of the uncertainty of the immediate area this part of the strategy (North Point) will be removed.

5.3.3 Thomas Street Reserve, Hampton

The draft Strategy proposes new facilities for people with a disability, including a possible changing places facility next to the existing public toilet in the Thomas Street Reserve in Hampton. There were eight responses to the Thomas Street Reserve survey, from people across the three age groups. The majority of the responses (7 of the 8) supported new facilities including those for people with a disability, next to the existing public toilet.

Due to other feedback and information received Council won’t proceed with an actual dedicated changing place facility, but will seek advanced accessibility functionality in a new facility.
Further details on advanced disability functionality at this location will be sought during the upcoming public consultation on the Thomas Street All Abilities Playground construction, scheduled for consultation in February 2019.

Participants were asked for suggestions for the new toilet’s general appearance – their comments are shown below:

- Art features but not just ‘graffiti art’, locals call the park ‘Castle Park’, design to go with park/playground natural/wood feel
- Make it fit more with the environment than the ugly ones near Sandringham Yacht Club
- All your toilets should be much nicer, check out some of the public toilets Yarra Ranges Council builds - they are really nice.

There were additional comments about the location of the new facility and confirmation of the need for change tables.

5.3.4 Ricketts Point, Beaumaris

The draft Strategy proposes new facilities for people with a disability, next to the existing bluestone public toilet in the northern carpark at Ricketts Point. There were ten responses to the Ricketts Point survey, from people across the three age groups. Nine of those responses supported the addition of new facilities.

The draft Strategy also proposes the removal of the 'Exeloo' toilet located on the foreshore. Only two of the ten responses supported its removal, most wished it to be retained.

Participants were asked for suggestions for the new toilet’s general appearance – their comments are shown below:

- Inconspicuous building blending into surrounding, preserve bluestone building
- Keep as is please
- Modern look with natural materials.

Ricketts point was also proposed as a possible location for a new changing places facility. Council received limited, but considered responses to this proposal. The proposal was broadly supported in principle. However, the building’s sustainability on the foreshore and need of a new, dedicated building footprint in the limited space and unique environment were also questioned. Council officers undertook further research and as a result won’t proceed with such a facility at this location. A new approach to changing places will see them integrated into more significant structures to enhance their sustainability and management.

5.3.5 Table Rock, Beaumaris

Table Rock attracted the greatest amount of feedback 117 survey responses, and 67 responses on the locational map. The draft strategy included options to remove or relocate the facility and feedback very clearly rejected the removal option. Of the 73 respondents who commented on the future of the facility only 1 was in favour of removal. 44 Respondents only answered the demographic and usage response, making no comment on the removal option.

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<td>Retain</td>
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Of the 72 respondents that wished for the facility to be retained, 24 were in favour of relocating the facility closer to or among scout facilities on the foreshore or on the trail. A
smaller number (16 respondents) preferred to see it retained in its current location. 31 respondents made no comment on location.

Of the 72 respondents that wished for the facility to be retained, 32 expressed a preference on the future style of the facility, wanting to see it upgraded to a more modern and landscape friendly design. 4 respondents wanted to see the existing brick structure retained and refurbished. 40 people did not comment on this detail.

Just over half of the responses indicated that they were weekly visitors to the Table Rock area, with an additional 23% visiting daily or 3-4 times a week. The majority of survey responses (59%) were from adults aged 45-64 years of age and 36% were aged under 45 years. About a third of responses were from parents/carers of a baby or young child.

Participants were asked to mark their preferred location on a map (refer to Map 3b) and to comment on why it would be a good location. The chart below summarises the responses received, including the 46 comments made on the survey question about facility design.
Map 3b: Basic map of recommended locations for Table Rock toilet

As the map shows, there was an overall preference to relocate the toilet to a position between the two boatsheds or relocate the toilet closer to the access path. However a site visit shows that this would require extensive vegetation removal which does not justify the change in location.

Participants were asked for suggestions for the new toilet’s general appearance. There were 73 responses however 46 of these concerned the locational issues not design or style of a facility. 17 supported a more modern design, which supports the Councils new design proposals. 4 Supported retaining the brick theme and structure, but this older design is incompatible with Councils obligation to advance CPTED objectives.

The comments about design and style are shown below:

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<th>Theme</th>
<th>Comments (numbers in brackets)</th>
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<td>Natural colouring/materials to</td>
<td>Bush look, eucalyptus and tea tree brown colours, grey and green colours, blend into landscape. Colourbond and/or rendered brick. Sustainable building</td>
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<td>match landscape</td>
<td>materials</td>
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<td>Bright and modern</td>
<td>match to other new toilet designs of new toilets on Bay Trail, modern look suitable to foreshore environment</td>
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<tr>
<td>Match existing buildings</td>
<td>Blue-brick or red brick to match the existing structures already on the beach, similar materials</td>
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<td>Beach theme</td>
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<tr>
<td>Features/facilities</td>
<td>Concrete perimeter to minimise mud, tap/shower, solar lighting, security cameras.</td>
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Therefore the current recommendation is to replace the current toilet block at its current location with a new style toilet block. CPTED objectives will be advanced with the new building design and improved visibility of the site from the various trails by fine tuning its placement and orientation in the clearing and deadwood removal.