



# Melbourne Water Reimagining Stony Creek at Sunshine Hospital Community Engagement Report

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# 1. Executive summary

## 1.1 Background

ChatterBox Projects was engaged to work in collaboration with Melbourne Water to undertake a range of place-based pop-up community consultations to help inform the design for the Reimagining Stony Creek at Sunshine Hospital project.

This project is about transforming almost a kilometre of Stony Creek into an area that is well utilised, loved and enjoyed by the community including residents, students, sporting groups and hospital workers, volunteers and patients.

The place-based engagement was designed to be innovative and inclusive to ensure a collaborative partnership approach between Melbourne Water, its project partners and the community in relation to the design of the reimaged creek. The place-based engagement included four pop-up consultations and four onsite school workshops.

Of the four place-based pop-up consultations:

- one was held at Club Italia Sporting Club which is located next to the Sunshine Hospital and alongside Stony Creek on Thursday 14 March during an evening training session;
- two pop-up consultations were held at Sunshine Hospital on Friday 15 March, one indoors next to the cafe and one outdoors at the entry to the hospital; and
- one was also held at Stony Creek on the corner of Moonstone Circuit and Laurel Street St Albans on Saturday 16 March

Melbourne Water's digital engagement platform 'Your Say' was also integral in engaging with the community during the engagement process and was complementary to the place-based engagement activities. The Reimagining Stony Creek 'Your Say' page provided opportunities for the community to provide their feedback and ideas online via a survey and story board tool.

## 1.2 Participation

The use of both the place-based pop-up consultations and Melbourne Water's digital online platform ('Your Say') ensured a wide range of people were consulted including local residents, visitors, patients, volunteers and staff at Sunshine Hospital, parents and players from Club Italia Sports Club and parents, carers and students from Jackson School and St Albans Meadows Primary School. The cultural diversity of respondents was very broad and included people from Vietnam, Brazil, Yugoslavia, Columbia, Iran and Italy.

### Place-based pop-up consultations

At the place-based pop-up consultations:

- Approximately 400 people were engaged during pop-up events
- 136 people completed a hard copy survey
- 258 people participated in the dotmocracy activity
- 173 people participated in the voting pod activity
- 98 comments were received via the chatboards
- 6 children and young people drew their ideas

### Digital Engagement – 'Your Say'

The online Reimagining Stony Creek 'Your Say' page provided opportunities for the local community to have their say throughout the life of the project. The online survey and storyboard tool enabled

community members to share their views and ideas particularly those who could not attend the place-based events.

Since the Reimagining Stony Creek 'Your Say' page was launched on 20 March:

- 1,192 people viewed the page
- 583 were unique visits
- 22 ideas and discussion were generated
- 39 surveys were completed
- Most people reached the site through social media (42%) followed by entering in project URL (34%)
- 12 people signed up to 'follow' the project

### **Overall participation**

During all of the engagement activities, a total of 1,785 written ideas and views were gathered throughout the engagement process via the hardcopy and online survey; the online story board; and activities at pop-up events including a voting pod, dotmocracy, chatboards and idea drawings. More details involving each of these activities is outlined below.

- 474 comments were received via the 175 surveys (136 hard copy and 39 online)
- 98 comments were received via the chatboards at pop-up events
- 258 people participated in the dotmocracy activity at pop-up events
- 173 people participated in the voting pod activity at pop-up events
- 76 Big Idea drawings were received from children at pop-up events and school workshops

## **1.4 Conclusion**

The Stony Creek pop-up events, school workshops and digital online engagement were successful in meeting the engagement objectives, which included enabling a diverse range of people to get involved and provide ideas and feedback.

These place-based engagement activities also helped to promote the project, create excitement around the future of the creek area and established connections between Melbourne Water and the community in this area.

The results of the place-based engagement voting pod activity showed very strong support for the project from the community with just over 90% of people indicating that they were 'very likely' or 'likely' to visit Stony Creek after its redevelopment.

Community feedback also provided valuable information confirming that many people (over 50% of participants) currently use the creek, with some visiting regularly, for a variety of reasons and activities including to exercise, relax and to be outdoors enjoying the natural environment.

Conversely, there was around 45% of respondents who had never visited the creek, with a large proportion of this group indicating that they were not aware it existed.

The engagement activities provided a diversity of feedback in relation to ideas for how to improve the creek. The most popular ideas put forward included adding paths for walking and cycling, planting trees and increasing vegetation, cleaning up the area and keeping it free of litter, and adding important infrastructure like seats, BBQ and picnic areas, drink taps, toilets and play areas.

This feedback was closely reflected at the pop-up consultation events with two activities involving voting for priorities (Dotmocracy) and open comments on Chatboards.

A positive result of the place-based consultation activities was the number of children or young people who were engaged. This group, who are usually very difficult to reach using traditional engagement methods, were essential to get feedback from given their potential use of the re-

imagined creek. Analysis of the feedback showed that one of the most represented age groups were 5-12 year olds (29.5%).

Children were successfully engaged through well-planned and innovative school workshops that involved a range of activities including an interactive tour of the creek with an artist – the Wizard Sim Sala Bim, and the option to draw their 'Big Ideas'



A Melbourne Water team member listening to some big ideas.



Local residents talking to a ChatterBox Projects team member about Stony Creek.



The Melbourne Water & ChatterBox Projects teams with wizard Sim Sala Bim after a successful collaborative process.



Students participating in the voting pod activity.

## 2. Overall Survey Results

This section provides the results from the hardcopy and online surveys that were completed by the community including from students at the school workshops.

A total of 174 surveys were completed.

### 2.1 Survey results summary

The survey consisted of 12 questions: two demographic questions, five closed-ended questions and five open-ended questions.

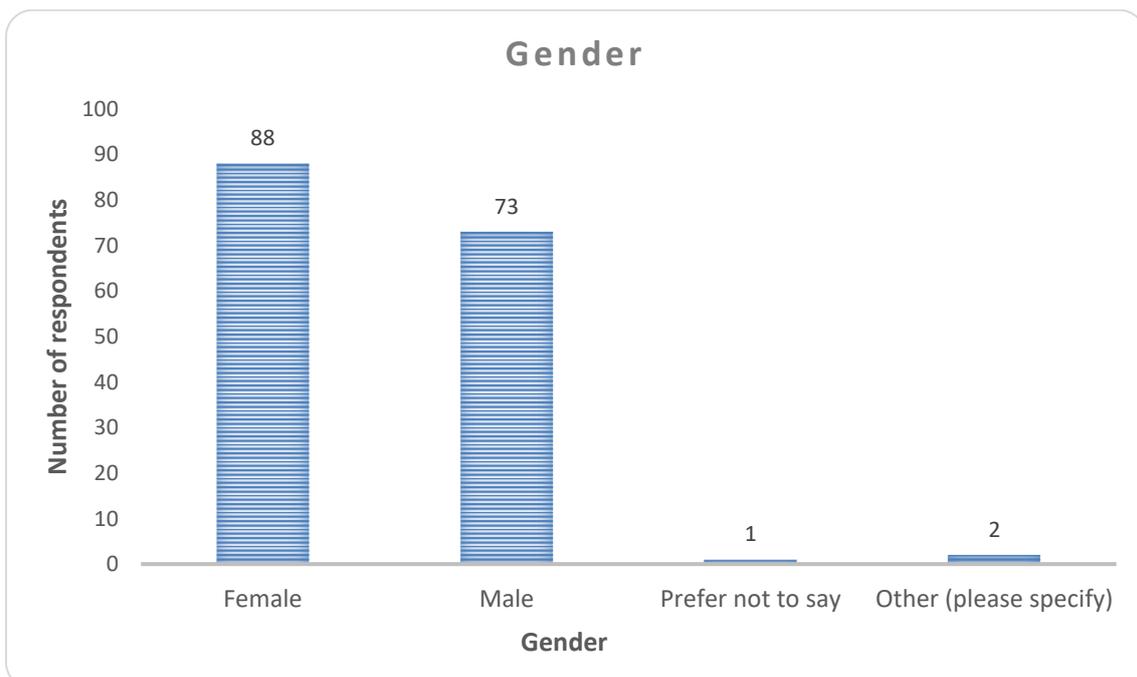
Of the 174 people who completed the survey:

- 53.6% were female, 44.5% male and 1.21% identified as other
- The two most represented age groups were those aged between 5-12 years (29.5%) and 36-45 years (17.46%)
- 42.1% were local residents, 38.7% were students from a local school, 18.5% were an employee at the hospital or health service, 13.2% were visitors to the area and 6.9% were members of a local sporting club
- 53.4% had visited this area of Stony Creek before

### 2.2 Participant profile

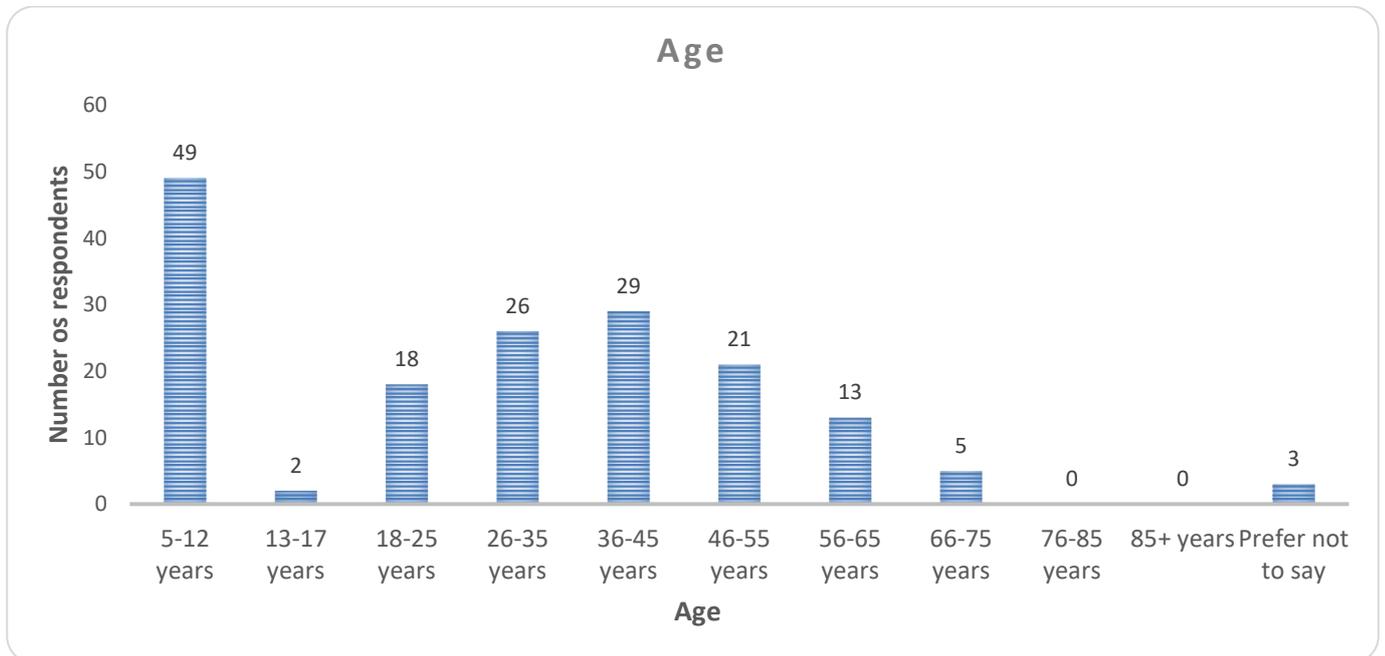
#### Gender

There was a good gender balance amongst respondents. Of the 164 respondents who indicated their gender, 53.6% (88) were female, 44.5% (73) were male and 1.21% (2) indicated other.



## Age

Of the 166 respondents who indicated their age, those aged 5-12 years were the most represented with 29.5%, followed by those aged 36-45 years (17.46%).



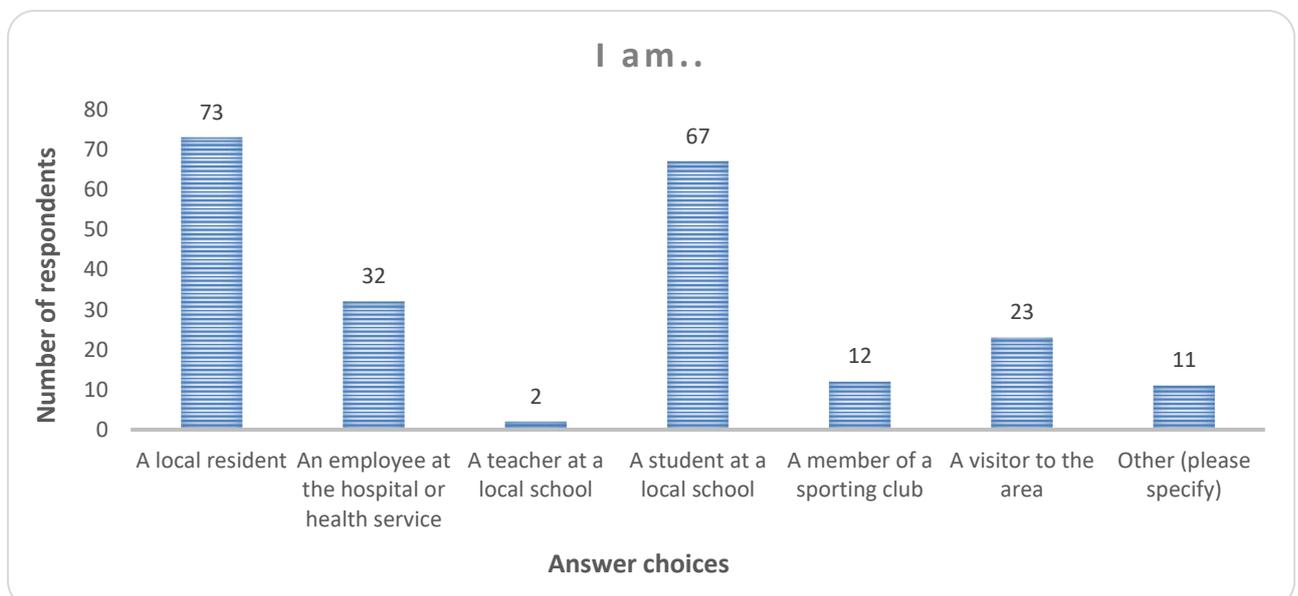
## 2.3 Survey results

### Question 1: I am

Respondents were asked whether they were a resident, employee of the local hospital or health service, member of a local sporting club, a teacher at a local school, a student at a local school or a visitor to the area.

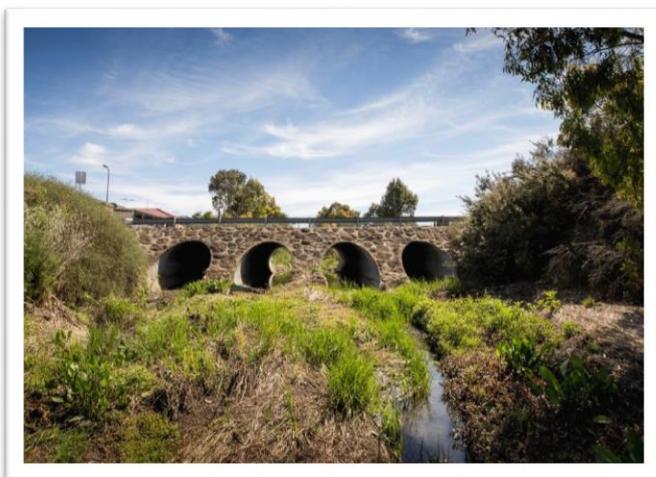
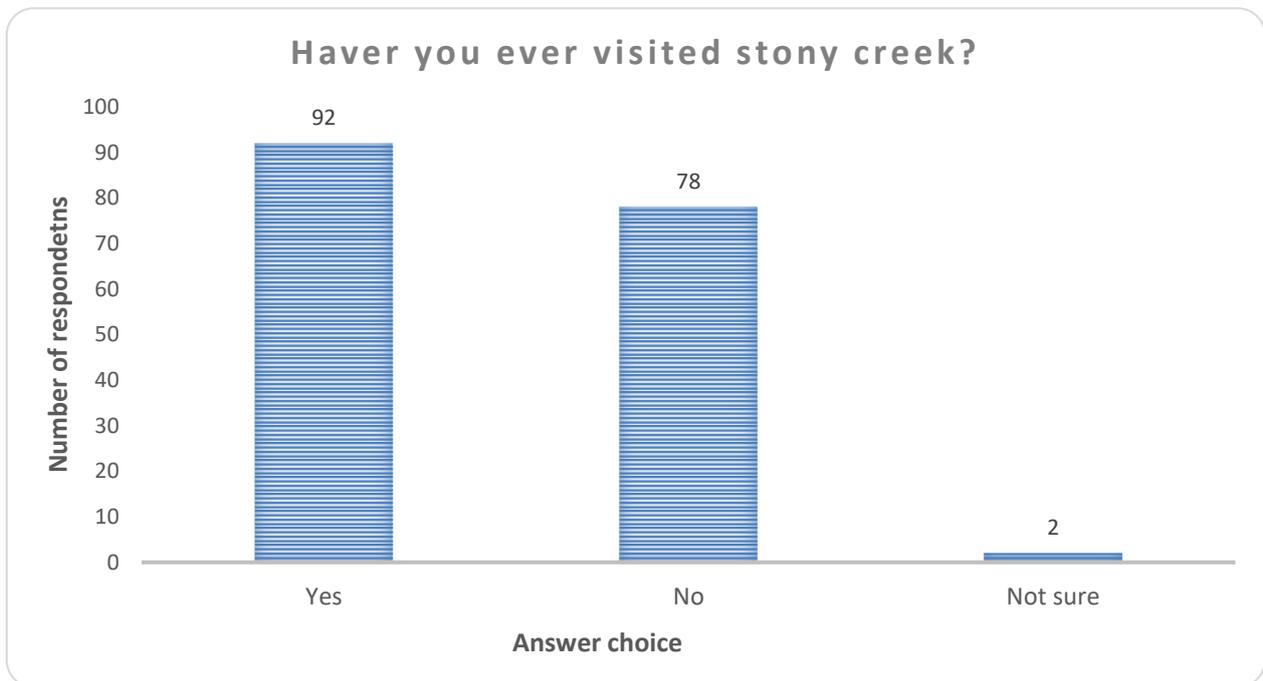
Of the 173 respondents who answered this question, 42.1% were local residents, 38.7% were students from a local school, 18.5% were an employee at the hospital or health service, 13.2% were visitors to the area and 6.9% were members of a local sporting club.

Of the 11 people who indicated other, three indicated a Scout, three people were from RMIT, three were patients at the hospital, one was a Council employee and one was an Environmental Technician.



**Question 2: Have you ever visited Stony Creek, between Laurel Street and Furlong Road?**

Of the 172 respondents who answered this question, 53.4% had visited Stony Creek, 45.3% had not visited Stony Creek and 1.16% were not sure.



*Stony Creek near Grantham Street, St Albans.*



*Drone view of Stony Creek near Sunshine Hospital.*

### Question 3: How often do you visit?

Respondents who indicated they had been to Stony Creek were asked how often they visited.

Of the 105 respondents who answered this question, 16.2% either visited daily or once a week, 15.2% visited once a year, 14.3% once a month and 12.38% have never visited.

Of the 27 people who indicated other, their responses included:

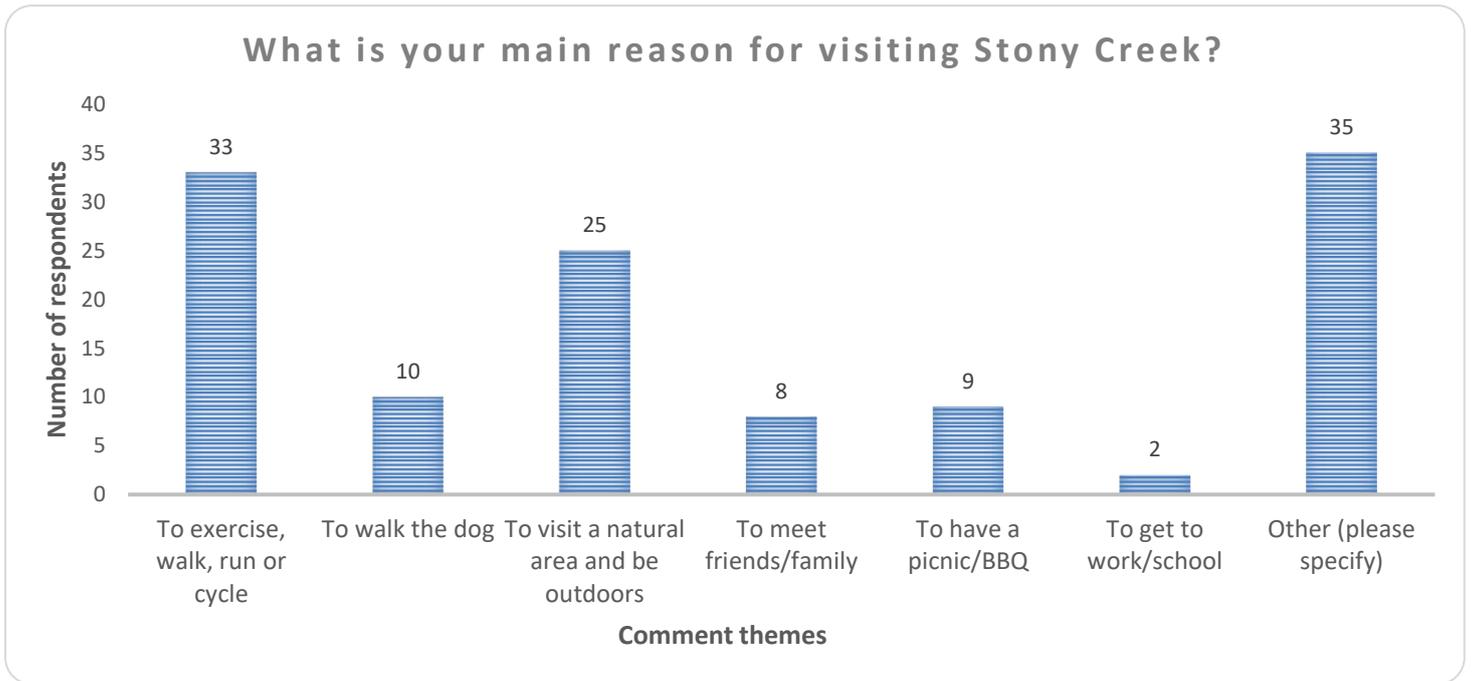
- Occasionally (2 responses)
- Once a fortnight (2 responses)
- Rarely
- Every time I walk home from school
- I live opposite to it
- Sometimes
- Not much at all
- 2 times
- 3 times per year
- During excursions
- Part of the project
- When required for RMIT
- For field school trip
- 2 this month for surveys
- 3 times over 3 months
- Visiting with school
- Every second day
- Not anymore as not accessible
- When I lived at my parent's house in St Albans I loved going for walks however was never much of a view and once to check it out after hearing about it
- Unfortunately, I was put off from ever attending again due to its neglect



#### Question 4: What is your main reason for visiting Stony Creek?

Of the 125 respondents who indicated their reason for visiting Stony Creek, 26.4% said to exercise, walk, run or cycle, 20% said to visit a natural area and be outdoors, 8% said to walk the dog, 7.2% said to have a picnic or BBQ, 6.4% said to meet family or friends and 28% said Other.

Of the 35 respondents who indicated other, 17 indicated for a field trip or for water testing and 14 said to get to work or school. Other comments included to go to local sports clubs and to walk to transport and go to the hospital.



Sim Sala Bim takes the students on an adventure along Stony Creek to generate ideas.

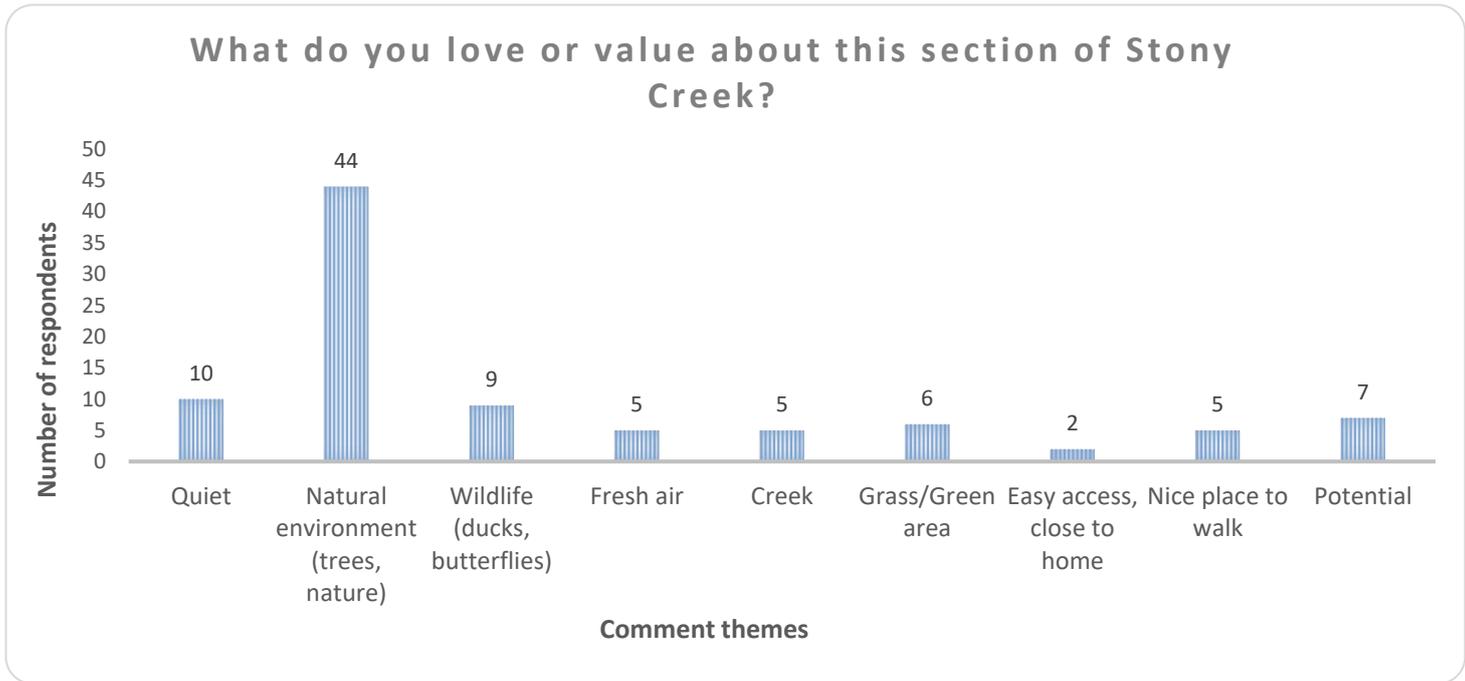


Staff at Sunshine Hospital stop by to share their ideas..

### Question 5: What do you love or value about this section of Stony Creek?

Of the 90 respondents who answered this question, 44 respondents loved or valued the natural environment such as trees, 10 respondents loved or valued that it was quiet, nine respondents loved or valued the wildlife such as ducks and butterflies, seven respondents valued the potential, six loved or valued the grass area on Moonstone Circuit, five loved or valued the creek and that you could walk along it and two loved or valued that it was accessible and close to home.

Other comments included: that it was close to the hospital and they loved that people were helping to redevelop the area.



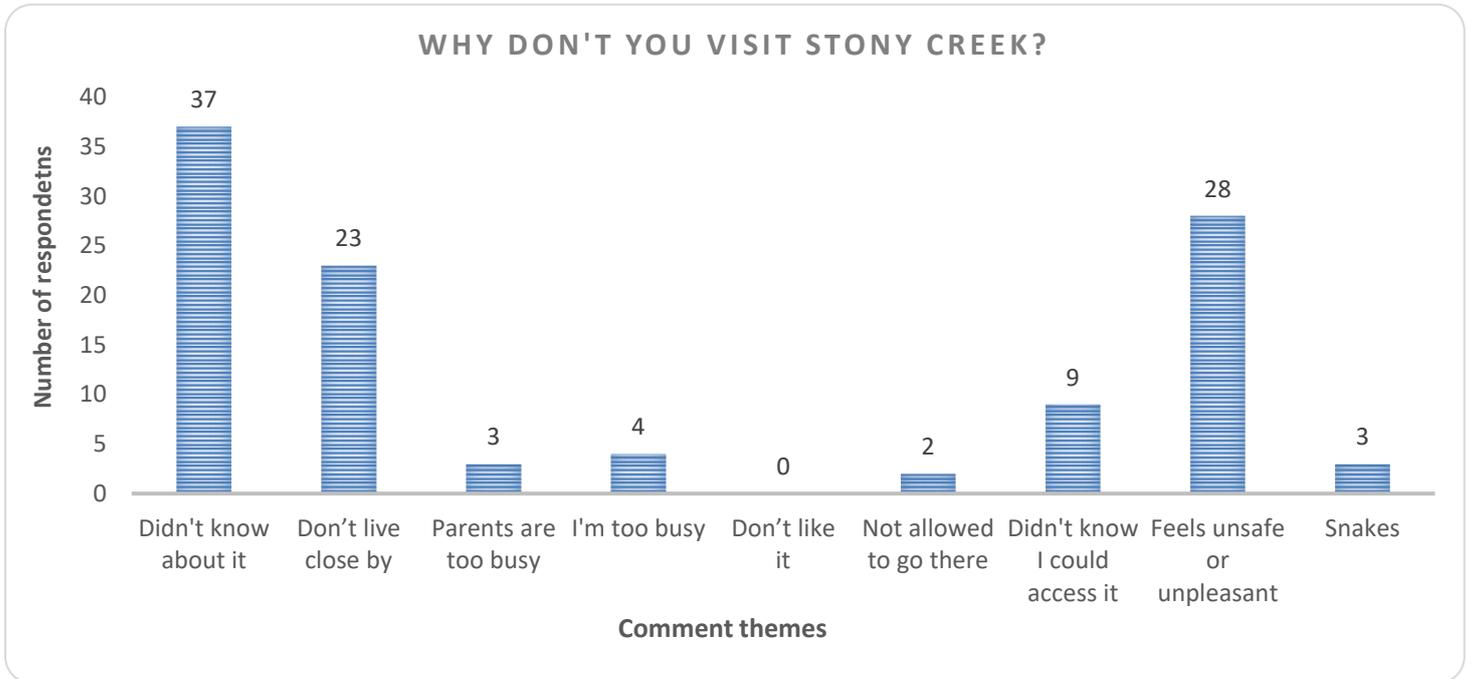
Sim Sala Bim watches as some big ideas emerge.



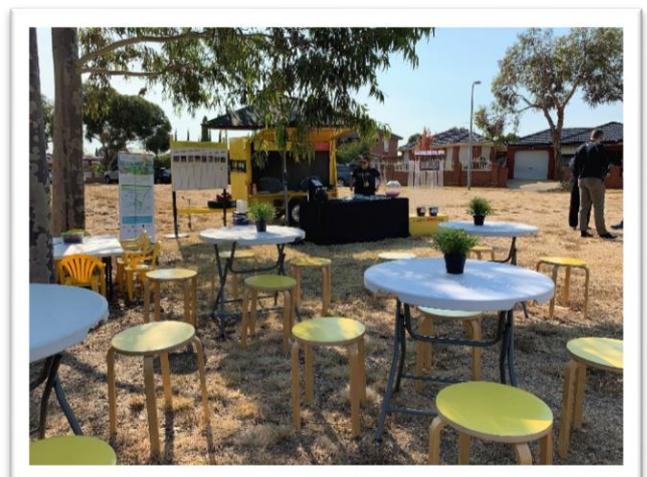
A visitor to the Sunshine Hospital stops by to share their ideas.

## Question 6: Why don't you visit Stony Creek?

Of the 107 respondents who answered this question, 37 respondents said they didn't know the creek existed, 28 indicated they felt unsafe or the creek was too unpleasant, 23 said they didn't live close by, nine respondents didn't know how to access it, three people said they had seen snakes in the area, four people said they were too busy to visit the creek, three said their parents were too busy to take them and two said they weren't allowed to go there.



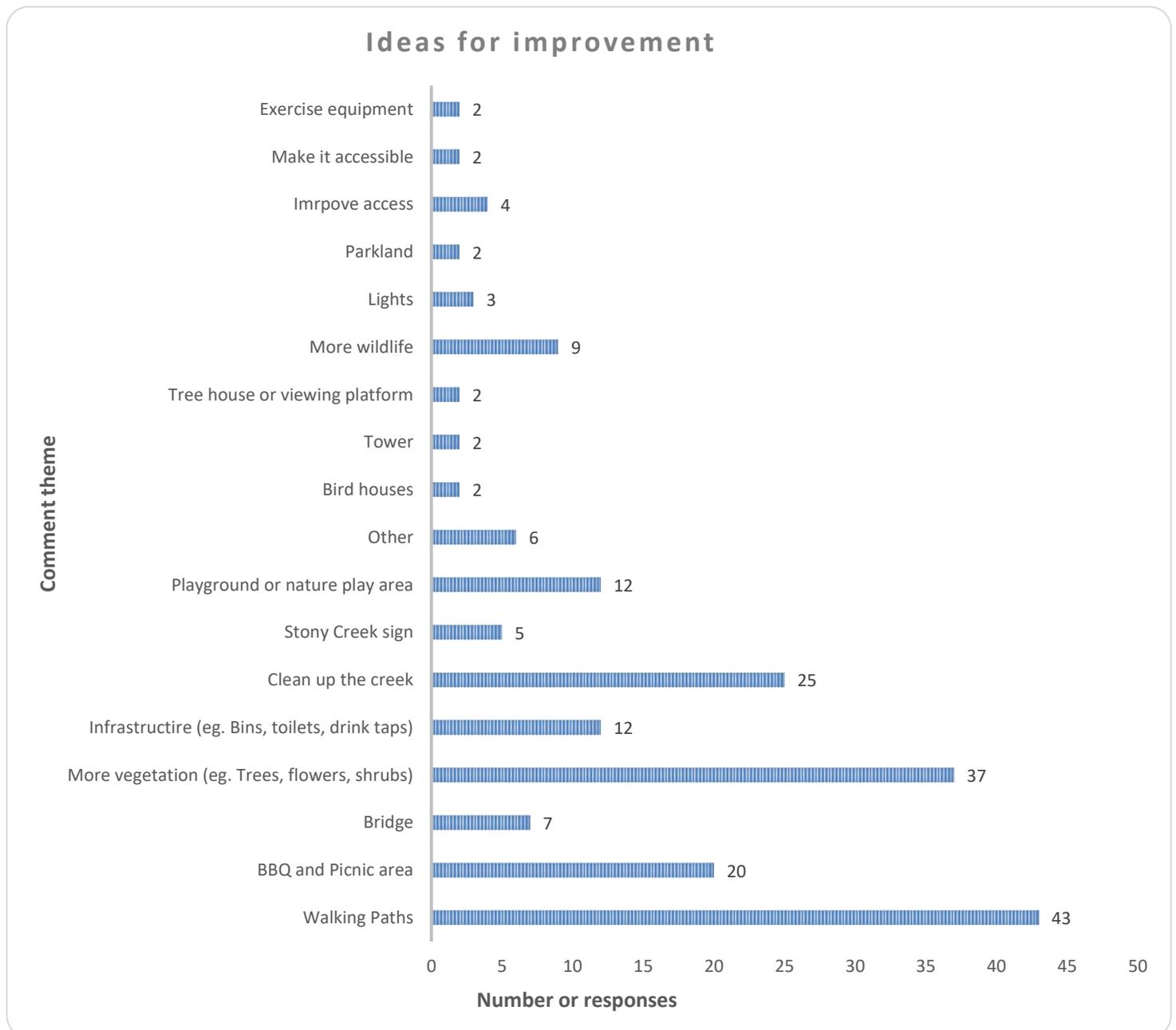
A student shares her idea at the school workshops.



The ChatterBox Projects pop-up site at Sunshine Creek..

## Question 7: Tell us your ideas and suggestions for improving Stony Creek between Laurel Street and Furlong Road?

127 respondents answered this question. Their comments have been tagged under a range of themes. Of the 127 respondents, 43 people said they would like to see walking paths, 37 said they would like to see more vegetation such as trees, native shrubs, fruit trees and flowers, 25 said they would like to see the creek cleaned up including the removal of rubbish and more water flow, 20 said they would like to see a BBQ and picnic area, 12 said they would like to see some new infrastructure such as toilets, bins and drink taps, and 12 said they would like to see areas for kids to play such as a playground or nature play areas. Other ideas and suggestions can be seen below. All comments received can be seen in the appendix.

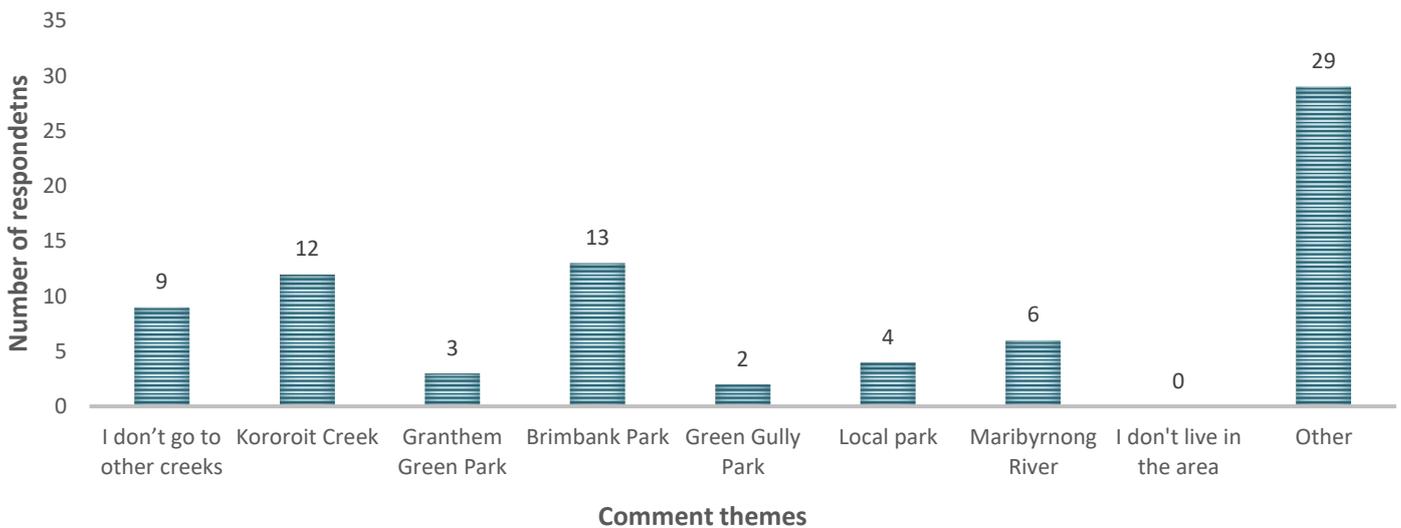


**Question 8: Which other creeks or natural spaces in the St Albans/Sunshine area do you visit and why do you choose to go there?**

Of the 79 respondents who answered this question, 13 said Brimbank Park, 12 said Kororoit Creek, nine indicated they don't go to other creeks, six said the Maribyrnong River, four said they go to the local park, three to Grantham Green Park and two to Green Gully Park.

There were 29 other locations listed. For the full list of comments, please see section 6: Appendix.

**Which other creeks or natural spaces do you visit and why do you choose to go there?**



A student presents his ideas for Stony Creek.

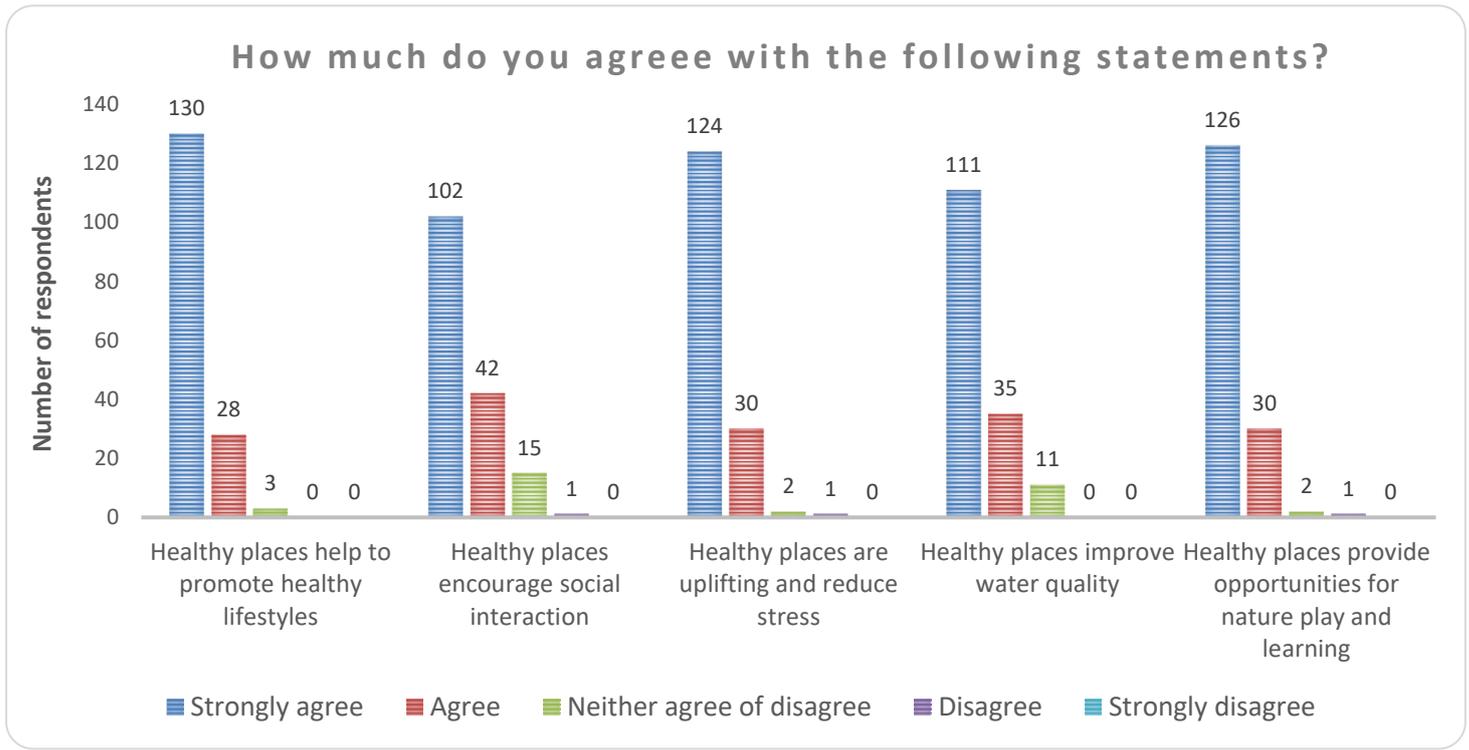


Local residents sharing their ideas via the voting pod.

**Question 9: Please tell us how much you agree with the following statements.**

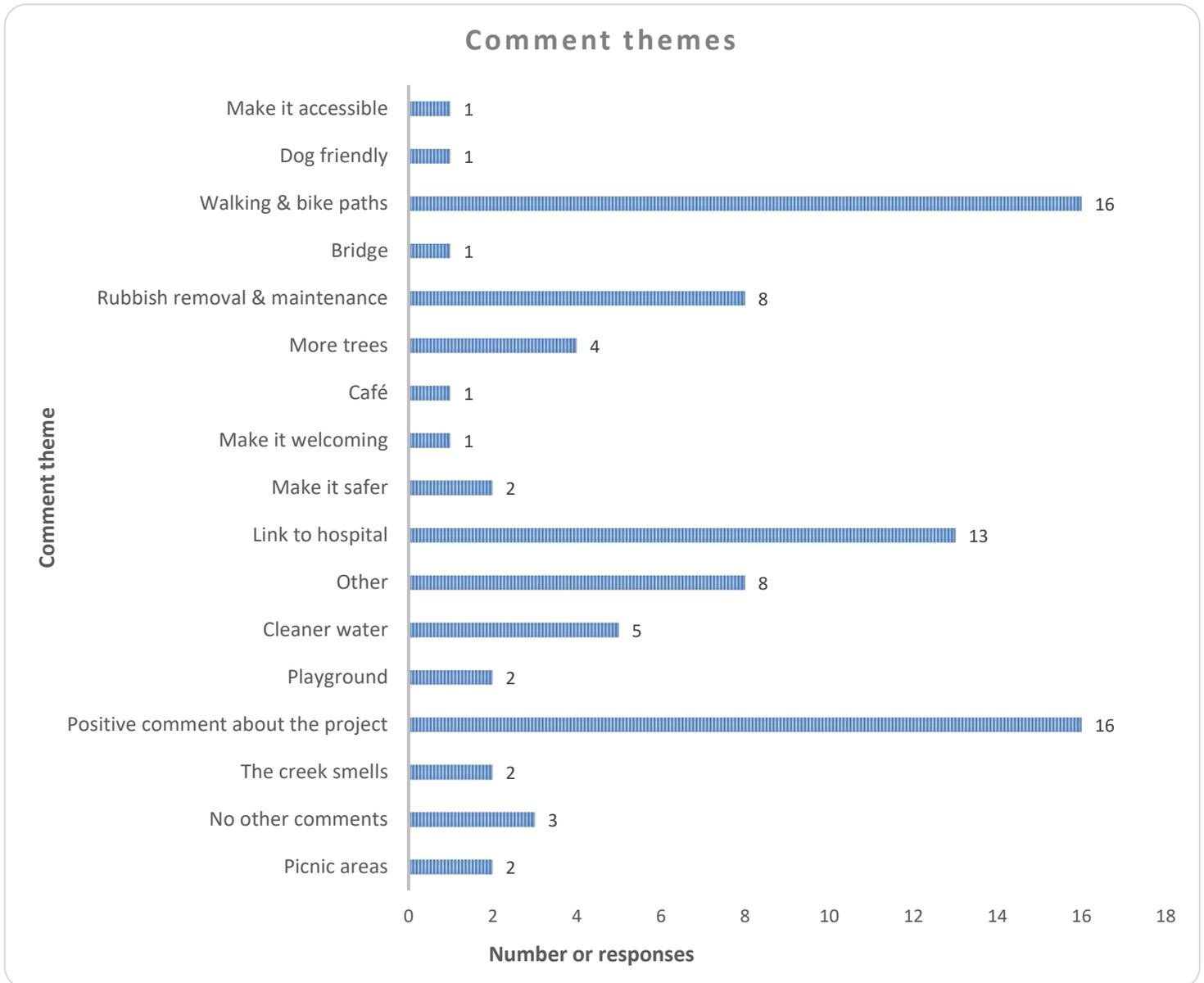
Of the 161 respondents who answered this question:

- 98.1% either strongly agreed or agreed that healthy places help to promote healthy lifestyles
- 89.4% either strongly agreed or agreed that healthy places encourage social interaction
- 95.6% either strongly agreed or agreed that healthy places are uplifting and reduces stress
- 90.6% either strongly agreed or agreed that healthy places improve water quality
- 96.8% either strongly agreed or agreed that healthy places provide opportunities for nature play and learning



## Question 10: Is there anything else you would like to share with us?

Of the 71 respondents who answered this question, 16 respondents made a positive comment about the project such as *'Thank you for your work in helping to bring life to Stony Creek'*, 16 respondents suggested walking and bike paths, 13 respondents would like to see the hospital linked to the creek, eight respondents would like to see the creek cleaned and maintained more often and five would like to see cleaner water in the creek. There were a range of other suggestions that can be seen below as well as in the appendix in section 6.



## 3. Place-based Pop-Up Engagement Results

### 3.1 Overview

The approach used for the place-based engagement activities was the ChatterBox pop-up trailer platform. This platform is a bright yellow, custom built mobile trailer that has been specifically designed to take creative and inclusive engagement tools to locations where people are.

The tools used as part of the pop-up platform were specifically designed to:

- gather data that aligned with the survey
- enable people to get involved in a range of ways, especially if they felt uncomfortable filling in a survey or were time-poor
- encourage responses from a diverse range of people

The place-based pop-up consultations were not only beneficial in engaging with the community, they were also beneficial in promoting the project and providing an opportunity for the community to engage with Melbourne Water.

#### Place-based engagement pop-up schedule

POP UP	DATE	TIME	TARGET AUDIENCE
Pop-up 1-School workshops	14 March	9:30am-2:30pm	Local school students
Pop-up 2-Club Italia	14 March	4:30pm-7:30pm	Parents and members of Club Italia
Pop-up 3-Sushine Hospital (indoors)	15 March	11am-3pm	Staff, volunteers, patients and visitors to Sunshine Hospital
Pop-Up 4-Sunshine Hospital (entry)	15 March	11am-3pm	Visitors, patients to Sunshine Hospital
Pop-up 5-Stony Creek (corner of Laurel Street and Moonstone Circuit)	16 March	11am-3pm	Residents close to Stony Creek

### 3.2 Place-based pop-up engagement summary

A range of engagement tools were used at the pop-up consultations, enabling the community to provide their feedback in a variety of ways.

The tools included a hard copy survey, dotmocracy activity (voting with dots), chatboard, voting pods and a 'big idea' drawing sheet.

For the school workshops an additional creative approach was used which involved the artist Sim Sala Bim (resident Wizard) to engage directly with the students, taking them on a tour of the creek and getting them to think creatively and 'outside the box' when developing ideas of how the creek could be improved or reimagined.

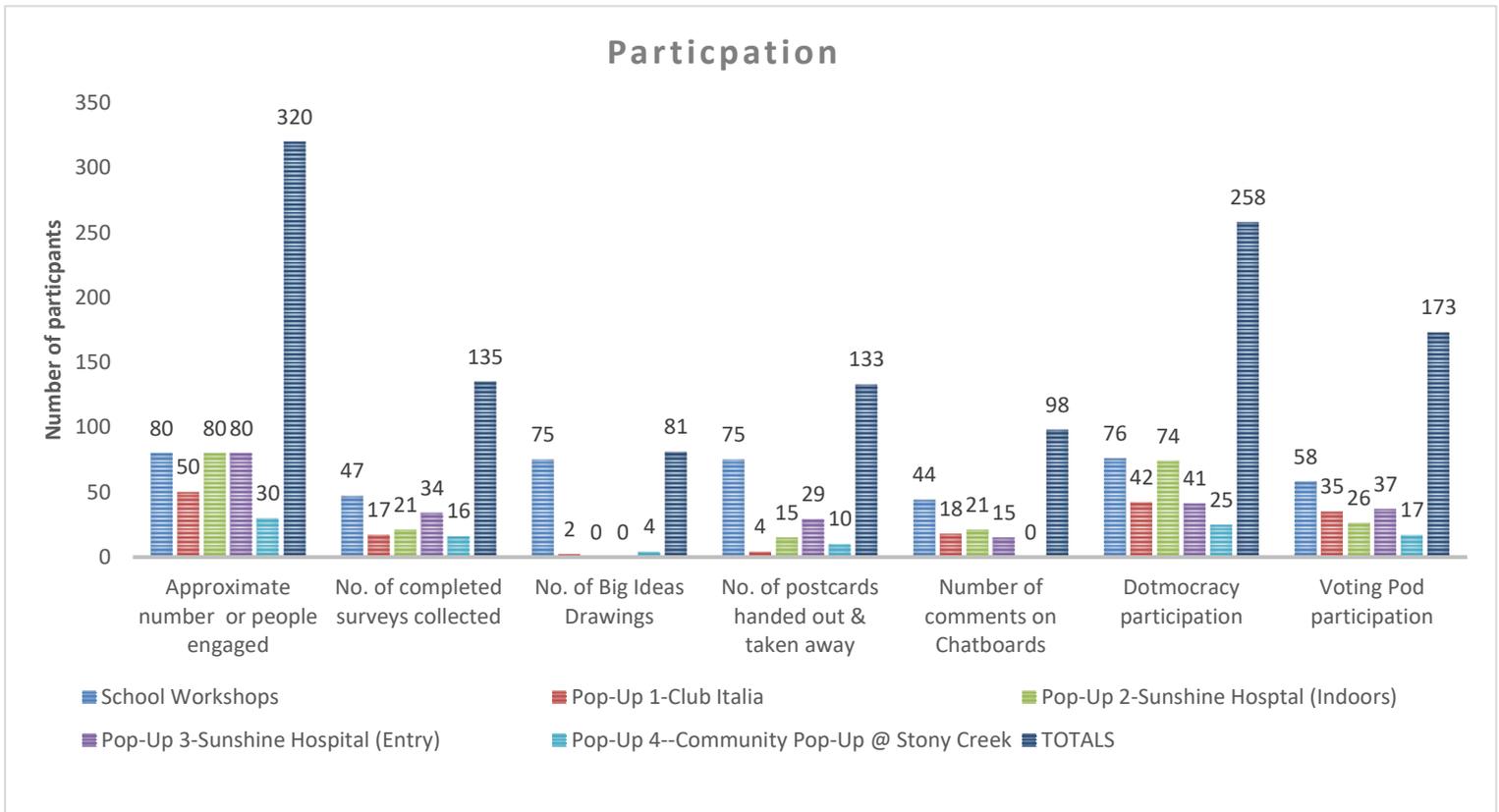
#### Overall participation at the pop-ups

At the pop-ups approximately 320 people were engaged.

- 136 people completed a hard copy survey
- 258 people participated in the dotmocracy activity

- 173 people participated in the voting pod activity
- 98 comments were received via the chatboards
- 81 children and young people drew their ideas

The graph below outlines the pop-up platform engagement tools that were used and how many people participated.



Furthermore, the place-based activities enabled engagement with people who otherwise may not have participated in traditional engagement methods, including children, young people, busy parents/carers, older people, people from diverse backgrounds, patients, visitors, staff and volunteers at the Sunshine Hospital.

### 3.3 Dotmocracy results

The dotmocracy activity involved a list of possible elements that may be a part of the Stony Creek redevelopment. The community were asked to select the three elements that were the most important to them.

258 people participated in the dotmocracy activity, 100 young people under 18 years and 158 people over 18 years. 774 dots were used.

Different coloured dots were used for people under 18 years and over 18 years.

**Restore the landscape with natural vegetation** received the most votes with 164 dots (21.2%), followed by **Spaces where you can interact with the creek** with 142 dots (18.3%), **Natural spaces where kids can play and explore** with 129 dots (16.6%), **Shared paths for exercise and improved connections** with 115 dots (14.8%), and **Spaces to relax and unwind with friends and family** with 91 dots (11.7%).

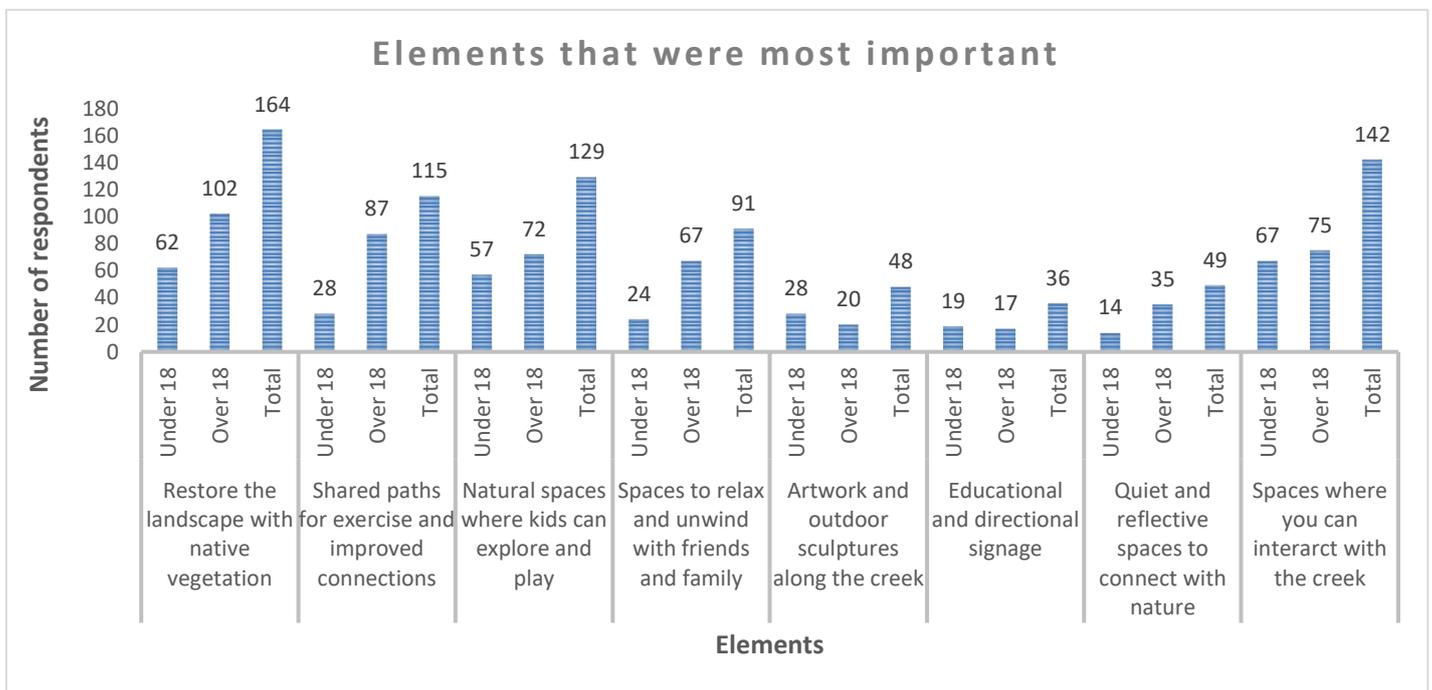
The three elements that received the lowest number of dots were **Quiet and reflective spaces to connect with nature** with 49 dots (6.3%), **Artwork and Outdoor sculptures** with 48 dots (6.2%) and **Educational and directional signage** with 36 dots (4.65%)

The three most important elements to young people were:

- Spaces where you can interact with the creek
- Restore the landscape with natural vegetation and
- Natural spaces where kids can explore and play

The three most important elements to adults were:

- Restore the landscape with natural vegetation
- Shared paths for exercise and connections
- Spaces where you can interact with the creek



An image reflecting natural spaces where kids can explore and play.



An image reflecting spaces where the community can interact with the creek.

### 3.4 Chatboard responses



Students sharing their ideas on the chatboards

At each place-based pop-up event including the school workshops, Chatboards were used to ask two questions:

- What do you love or value now about Stony Creek?
- What are your ideas for improving Stony Creek in the future?

A total of 98 comments were written on the chatboards, 46 during the school workshops, 16 at the Club Italia pop-up and 36 at the Sunshine Hospital pop-ups. No comments were received during the community pop-up at Stony Creek.

All comments are shown below.

#### Chatboard comments summary

In relation to what the community loves and values about the Stony Creek, the most popular comments involved the creek's natural areas and vegetation.

The most popular ideas to improve Stony Creek involved adding paths, walking tracks and making the area more accessible including providing disability access; planting more trees and natural vegetation; keeping the area clean and free of litter; adding more facilities to the area including places to picnic and BBQ; and helping wildlife to return.

#### School workshop comments

What do you love or value now about Stony Creek
The nature
It is nice and clean
It's quiet and close to Sam's
To have lots of flowers
I like all the plants and the creek

<b>What do you love or value now about Stony Creek</b>
The creek
Fresh air
I like all the plants and the creek
It is important to keep the nature healthy
The flipping water
The butterflies
I love how there is lots of plants and nature near the creek
I love how the creek has a lot of trees and butterflies
I love how there are many butterflies and plants
I love how this creek is very nice in nature
I love the creek because it has a beautiful nature and not much places has such nature left
I love the creek because it has lots of native here
I love how the creek is not taken over by tech
I love how people are trying to make the creek a better place in the world for fun, happiness and magic.
I love the natural spaces to interact with the creek

<b>What are your ideas for improving Stony Creek for the future?</b>
To make a bridge
To have a picnic area
To make a place to hang out
Add tower with binoculars
Lots of trees with lights
Tidy it up
More barbeque areas
To have a cinema day monthly
To make nicer like it was before
Fresh flowers
More toilets
We could have places where people can relax in some places to have fun
We can have a lemonade stand
We can make a garden bed and resting area
We could add a playground and tree house
We can also have more animals so it can be natural
I think we can add more bins
I think we can have more wildlife and more trees
I think that we can add fruit plants
I love the nature but needs help, we need a gardener to come every week and trim al the bushes
I believe we should restore native plants and wildlife
We should add trails and paths
I wish we have an arcade (Midnight ?? )
I wish it had frogs and more ducks, quack!
A pathway along the creek
I wish we had a pathway so we can cycle and walk to bus stops, trains and he hospital and we can shorten our commute time by a few minutes

## Club Italia comments

<b>What do you love or value now about Stony Creek</b>
Save the Muellembeckia ? Native wetland shrubs, it's a habitat
Native species
There used to be wallabies

<b>What are your ideas for improving Stony Creek for the future?</b>
Bring back the frogs (used to be able to hear them)
Nature play area not a playground
Plant species to attract native pollinators
Near Stradbroke Reserve needs a visual feature
More beautiful trees -Autumn Colours
Mountain Bike track
Flowers
Sculptures
Rubbish collection
Natural pathway for walks with surrounding native plants/bushes
Indigenous species
I don't want concrete everywhere, keep it natural✓
If it was cleaned up, I would take my dog there during soccer practice

## Sunshine hospital comments

<b>What do you love or value now about Stony Creek</b>
I love water, cascading water makes you feel peace and calm
Safety zone-swim safe, water quality

<b>What are your ideas for improving Stony Creek for the future?</b>
E-bikes to be allowed on paths
Wetlands
River café please
Connectivity-trails
Shade
Low flow held in Stony Creek
Whole of system approach
#instagram worthy
Wheelchair access (mobility)
Safe for kids-prevent falls
Mobile coffee cart for consultation (free coffee)
Creatures/ponds-children's play
Shade, places to sit/clean!
Create a cycling path and connect it to other cycling paths
Needs a walking path and some interesting stops along it 😊
Rehabilitate creek to natural state
Bridge connection to provide linkage from Grantham Green area to Ginnerfer train station
BBQ area
Off lead dog area
Seating and lighting
Ply area for kids to get out of hospital
Bring indigenous recognition into awareness

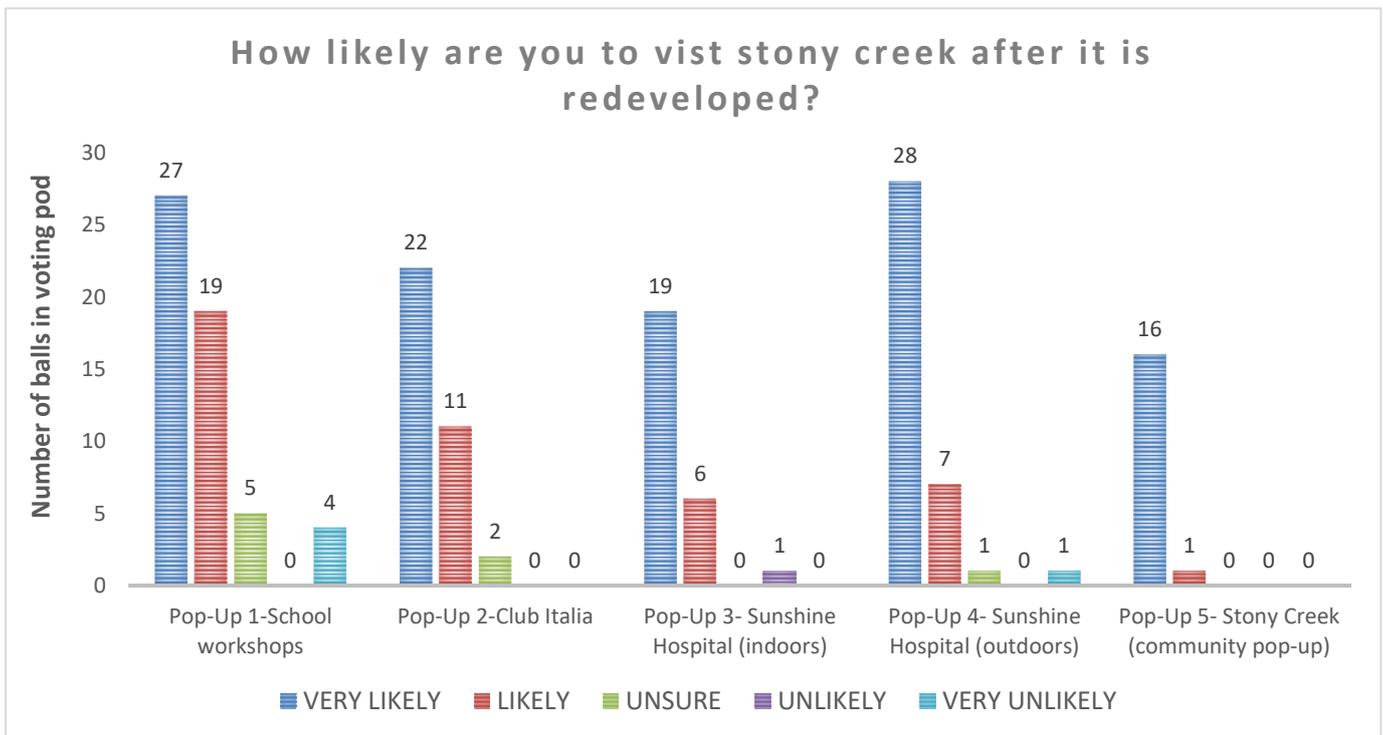
What are your ideas for improving Stony Creek for the future?
Bring back the platypus/fish!!!
Patient access, particularly the elderly
Decent signage
Improve cycling path which is almost great-just one more section to go
Cleaner@ reduce pollution
Plant more trees Nature!
Disability access: shared paths x 2
Interface with the hospital-staff/patients use it
View to creek from hospital
Focus for staff to walk, get out and relax
Wheel chair sports
Somewhere for family/visitors on weekends

### 3.5 Voting pod responses

A voting pod was used to ask the community how likely they were to visit the re-imagined Stony Creek near Sunshine Hospital once it had been redeveloped.

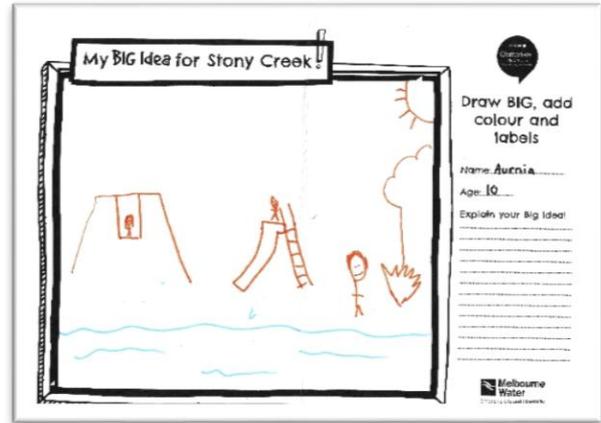
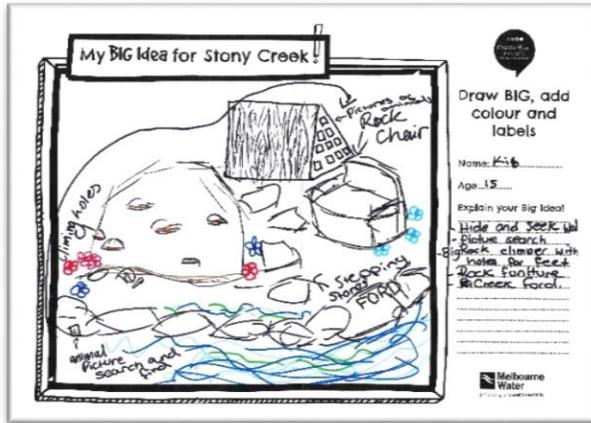
173 people participated in the voting pod activity, 103 people under 18 years and 70 people over 18 years.

90.1% indicated they were very likely or likely to visit Stony Creek after its redevelopment.



### 3.6 Big ideas drawings results

Two Big Idea drawings were received from young people at pop-up events (not including the school workshops). Their big ideas can be seen below.



A ChatterBox team member listening to ideas.



Students down at Stony Creek.

## 4. School Workshop Results



Four school workshops were held on Thursday 14 March onsite at Stony Creek. In total 76 students, from Jackson School and St Albans Meadows Primary School, attended the workshops.

46 students from St Albans Meadows Primary School participated in six workshop activities including an interactive discovery walk experience along the creek with Wizard Sim Sala Bim, dotmocracy activity, chatboard, voting pod, Big Idea drawing sheet and filling in a survey.

30 students from Jackson School participated in three workshop activities including the interactive discovery walk experience with Sim Sala Bim, dotmocracy and Big Idea drawing.

The results of the chatboard, dotmocracy and voting pod activities have been included in the overall Pop-Up engagement results in section 3. The survey results have been included in the overall survey results in section 2.

The results of the 76 Big Idea drawings can be seen below.

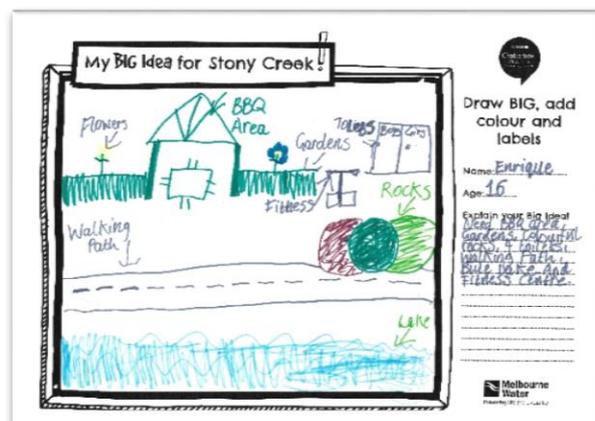
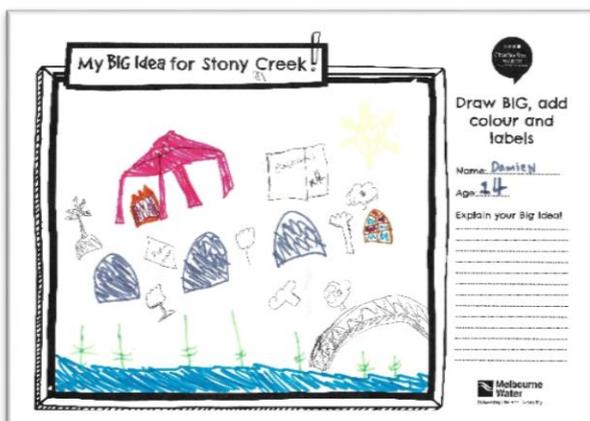
### Big Ideas Drawings

Each drawing has been analysed and the elements on each drawing listed and counted.

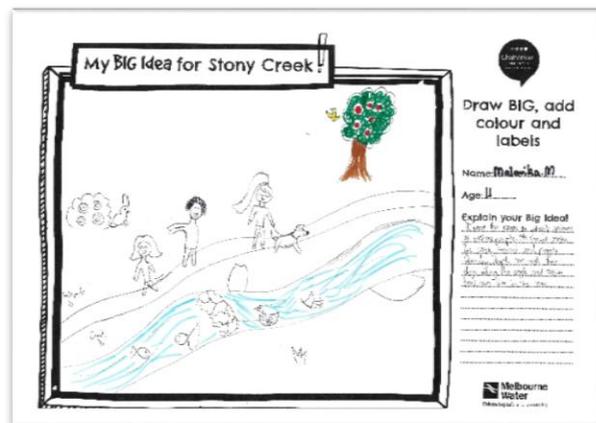
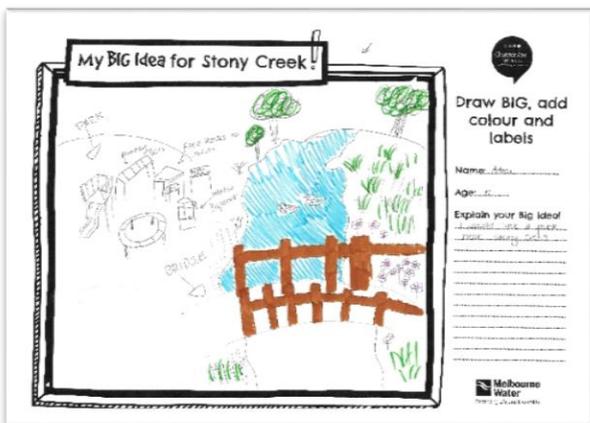
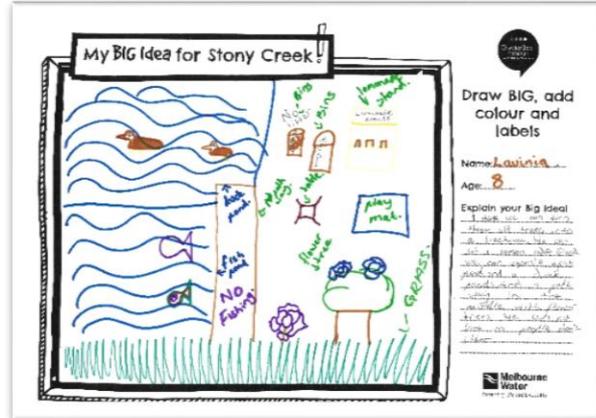
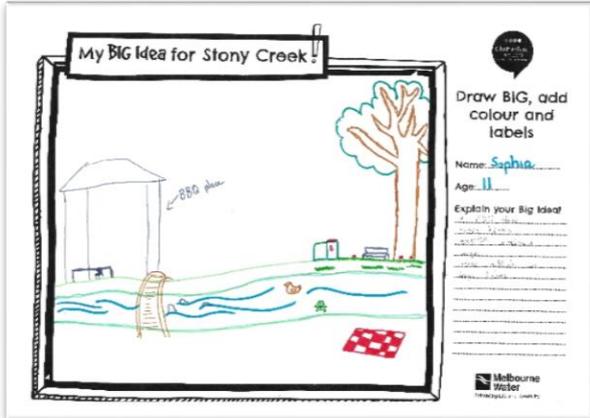
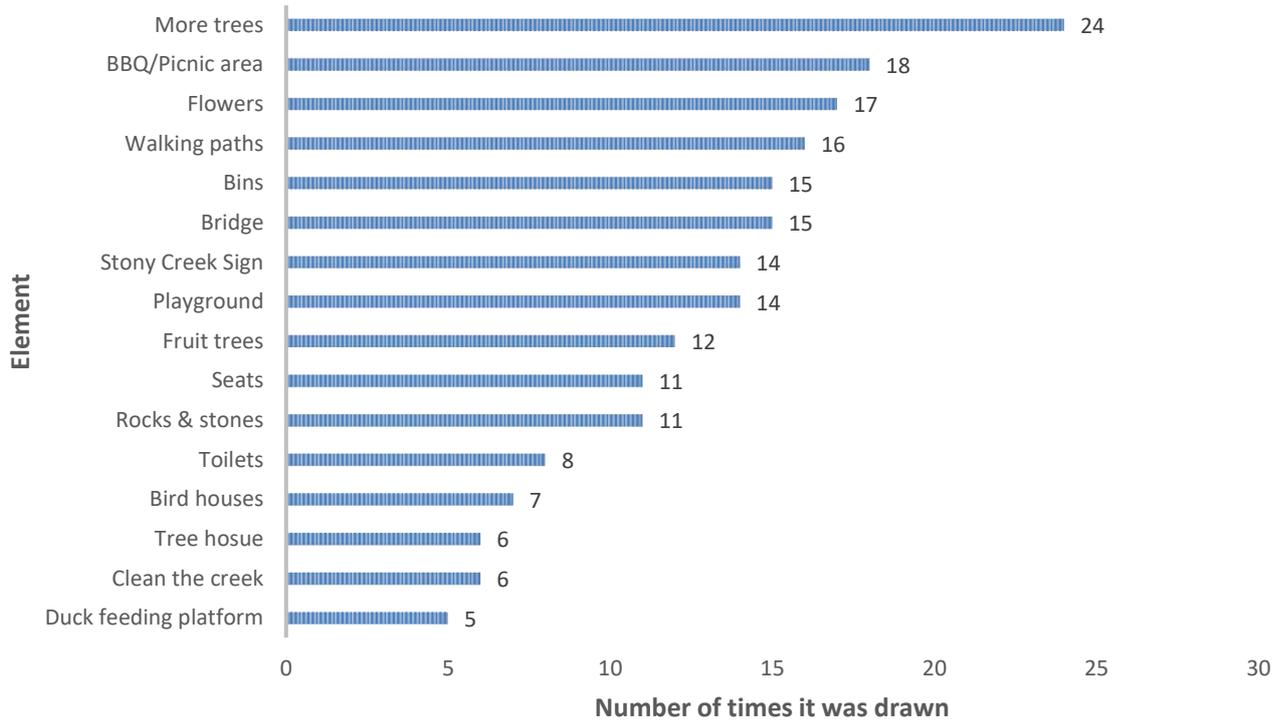
Of the 76 Big Idea drawings, 24 requested more trees, 18 requested a BBQ/Picnic area, 17 suggested planting flowers, 16 suggested walking paths, 15 requested bins including recycling bins, 15 suggested a bridge, 14 included a very large Stony Creek sign made from giant rocks, 14 suggested a playground, 12 suggested fruit trees, 12 included seating including some rocks and stones, eight suggested toilets be installed and increasing wildlife, seven suggested bird houses, six included tree houses, six suggested a cleaner creek and five included a duck feeding pond.

There were a range of other suggestions including the installation of a shelter, some more grass areas, don't litter signs, and a basketball court.

A sample of the big idea drawings can be seen on the following pages.

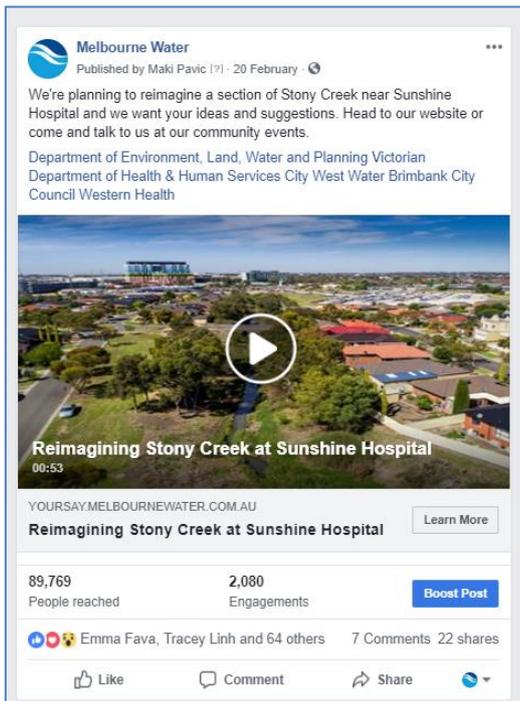


## Big idea drawing elements





## 5. Marketing and promotion



To ensure the community were aware of the Reimagining Stony Creek Project and the community engagement being undertaken, Melbourne Water undertook extensive marketing to promote the project to the local and wider community. This included promotion via social media, letter box drops to local residents and promotion via project partners including Western Health, Victorian Planning Authority, Department of Health and Human Services, Brimbank City Council and City West Water.

Promotion of the project commenced on 20 February with the launch of a video by Melbourne Water when they launched a video via social media explaining the project and promoting the place-based pop-up events that ran from March 14-16.

The post was promoted on Facebook with a targeted paid advertisement for a period of two weeks and reached 89,769 people total (92% reached by paid advertising) and had 12,865 unique viewers and 172 link clicks to Melbourne Water's 'Your Say' page.

The video was also posted on Twitter and generated over 2,000 impressions and was retweeted by Brimbank Council, Adam Lovell and City West Water.

Event pages were also set up on Facebook to support the video and encourage the community to register their interest or attendance at the place-based pop-up engagement events with a combined reach of 3400.

Melbourne Water staff also attended the Sustainable Living Festival to promote the project, with Melbourne Water sharing their project team's attendance on Facebook page and Twitter.

Two follow up posts were created showcasing the on-site school workshops and the pop-up at Stony Creek on Facebook and Twitter.

Promotion also included the delivery of almost 900 copies of the Reimagining Stony Creek Community Update and an A4 poster (translated into Vietnamese) to residents who lived in the vicinity of the creek.

Approximately one hundred A3 size posters, three hundred A5 postcards and Stony Creek Community Updates were delivered to local businesses, schools, libraries, community houses and friends of community groups.

50 copies of the Community Updates, 10 copies of the A3 posters and A5 postcards were delivered to project partners to share with staff including Brimbank City Council, Sunshine Hospital, City West Water and Club Italia Sporting Club.

PDF versions of the project poster were also sent to project partners to share electronically.

## 6. Appendix

### Survey results

Below are all comments received from the four open-ended questions in both the hard copy and online surveys.

*Please note: All comments below are verbatim as submitted.*

#### Survey question 5: What do you love or value about this section of Stony Creek? (all comments)

Comments via hard copy survey at pop-up events
Its very beautiful and fresh air
I love there is trees
Its quiet and has native trees
Its quiet
I like natural trees
Its nature is beautiful but I do want more
I love the fresh air here
I love the water
It is outdoors
The nature
I like that it is full of nature
Its full of trees but I would like more trees and plant life near the creek
I like all the trees and ducks
I love how people are trying to help the area an the wildlife
I like that it is full of nature
The grass that is in front of Moonstone circuit
The lovely nature and it is in need of help to restore its beauty
I love how there are native Australian trees not random trees
I love to have BBQ with my family
The more helfy trees and the grass
I love the duck but a lot of litter
It has a nice plants and things to look at when you re board but I think if you just come and pull weeds out it will look beautiful
I love the spaces to interact with nature
To make the creek a better place in the world
It has not been touched and remains natural
I value the plants here and the animals that live here
I love the ducks, birds and the trees and rocks and sounds
I value Stony Creek because of it wildlife
The animals, plants and the serenity of the environment
The amount of native flora
Not good
Old and not good
I think its good as it is, leave it in tis natural state, would ruin the environment
I love the natural area in amongst a quite populated area
Not much
Its is working hard to create a new environment and new family areas for Australia citizens
Bushy nature

<b>Comments via hard copy survey at pop-up events</b>
the birds, fresh air and trees along the creek
Don't know
Its a beautiful place
The possibilities of making it beautiful an attracting more birdlife
Bird life, old trees, old water. sense of local history
Potential, outside
Walking track, looking for birds, ducks, frogs, fish, quiet time
The backwash near the Westgate Bridge
It is a nice quiet area, I enjoy the fact that you can go to a natural area like this not too far out the suburbia
Grass an good
Peaceful environment, good place to walk
It has potential
Healthy growth in riparian zones
Helps sick people to engage with nature
A lot of vegetation
Tranquil woodlands, places to de-stress from work
The air is very fresh and peace
The potential of what the improvements can do
the length of the area how close it is to the hospital
Urban waterway, with riparian vegetation, nice walk
Having a waterway in a built up area
Not much
the different areas of biodiversity within the two sections of the creek
Nice trail to walk along
Can be a nice trail to walk down
The potential for revegetation
Better experiences with nature
Better experiences with environment
Is a touch with nature(little) living in an urban area is a win experience
I can walk in the morning or evening and have BBQ
Near to our house, easy access for exercise(walk)
Nothing
View of the creek is nice
Nice place to walk
Nothing
Have not been there yet
that it has the potential to be something great for the community

<b>Comments via the online survey</b>
Growing up on back of Mullum Mullum Creek. Reminds me a little bit of that. My daughters like to play there as well.
Natural setting
This section of Stony Creek can provide a 'green corridor' role connecting Stradbroke Drive Reserve, the open space at Club Italia, and the Western Ring Road shared trail.
Open space
Its alittle bit of greenery in an otherwise concrete jungle
At least there are native trees which is a far cry from the concrete bunker further downstream (after the Ring Road).

<b>Comments via the online survey</b>
The natural environment, a quiet picturesque spot to exercise
It is sheltered from Furlong Road and its traffic
It has a combination of water and greens
not bordered by heavy industry, is close to the hospital, the closest natural area to the hospital (we dont have any green spaces other than this in and around the hospital)
Nothing
It's somewhere I can walk close to home.
It has so much potential
Creek and trees
The natural setting and relative wildness of the creek
Not much as it's very rough however is a quiet space
Provides a green environment in the suburbs
It has the potential to become a lovely off road connection between St Albans and the Western Ring Road bike path and onwards to Gilmore Road.

### **Survey question 6: Why don't you visit Stony Creek (all comments)**

<b>Comments via hard copy survey at pop-up events</b>
Because I've never heard of it
Because I live 20 minutes away and i didn't know it existed until last year
Because I didn't know it even existed, I have passed it before but I didn't know what it was because of all the plants ad bushes covering the creek
I don't visit Stony Creek because I don't drive in this area and my family doesn't know this area
Because I don't want to
I don't visit Stony Creek because i never knew Stony Creek existed
I don't go because my mum is busy and she needs to go home so she can sew
I don't visit Stony Creek because I don't live near Stony Creek and my parents don't have time to take me there
I live to far away. I live in Albion and I have no time to go to Stony Creek
We don't live near Stony Creek and I never knew about Stony Creek
I don't go to Stony Creek because I live in Cairnlea and because I don't have much time.
Because my home is far from here
Because I have school work
Because we didn't really love it enough to come back
Because I never through it was here
I live far from the creek so it is not convenient
Sometimes I'm just to busy to relax at the Creek. My parents are really busy and don't have time to take us
I don't visit because don't live very close and my family is quite busy
My parents don't let me walk along and they are always at work
I am never aloud to go here but when I am older I can not go still
I live too far away and I didn't know it existed sadly.
I've never heard of Stony Creek before, I don't go walking much but if I do I go to places I've known before
Because my house is too far
I want to visit
I visit Stony Creek
Did not know it was a thing!

<b>Comments via hard copy survey at pop-up events</b>
Didn't realise it was there
I assumed its inaccessible and overgrown with weeds and polluted
Didn't know about it til now
Because it is not close to where I live
I didn't know it was here too much homework, projects and test to study
Was not aware of the attraction/place
Wasn't aware it was there
Didn't know the creek existed
Didn't know about it
Didn't know it was there
Never thought of it, heard anything about it to entice a visit
Did not think of it, no pathways
Visitor to the area
To not disturb wildlife
Didn't know it existed
I did not know it existed
Too much rubbish, neglect a little too lonely, feels dangerous
Limited access, not aesthetically pleasing
Bit far away, needs work to bring up to better standard, more native vegetation
Never knew about it
Didn't know about it
Looks unloved, no access
Didn't know about it/doesn't look inviting
Never knew I could visit it
Didn't know it was there
Not familiar
Didn't know it was there
I didn't know it existed
I wasn't aware of the creek
Didn't know its there
To be honest, I didn't know much about it
Did not know it exist
The water may still not cleaned
No but looking forward to seeing improvements
Didn't know it existed
Because Stony Creek is too far
I only visit for Uni because the area is very over grown and lacks a nice bike/walking track
Its in Sunshine
Distance from local area
I live too far away
Didn't really know about it seems like a bit of a dirty drain
Love too far away
Live quite far away
Bit far from where I live
I wouldn't visit it because its full of weeds
I didn't know about it. Recently moved to the area
Scared
Scared of the snakes
Its no good
Because we have bad experience with tiger snake
After having an experience with snakes on my back yard make think twice but still do it

<b>Comments via hard copy survey at pop-up events</b>
Maybe is dangerous because no lights is on so dark early in the morning
Because I am a local resident and will be really nice to have a good space to be safe and enjoyable
It's polluted, dangerous
No time as I study full time

<b>Comments via the online survey</b>
I've never heard of it.
i do not reside in the area, but have visited the area
Didn't know there was a creek near there
It is 'locked off' from the hospital. A gate perhaps?
Not really built up. No connection or path to North side of Sunshine Hospital.
I just don't visit this section of Stony creek. It's not very inviting.
The area has mostly been forgotten with nature strips unmaintained, water ways are filled with trash and water are mostly black which is quite unpleasant
It looks like a empty land and not accessible.
Depressingly neglect- full of litter, inaccessible (long grass and weeds, not path)
Walk past it to get to car park. Otherwise no need/incentive to visit at present.
I am a new employee at Western Health
It's not appealing, there are no good connections to the hospital or other key areas.
I don't live in the area
Not sure - I just haven't explored that area yet! I live in Footscray and haven't cycled much west of Footscray yet.
Unightly and also not accessible by bicycle very easily
It is unsightly, and where I live (Albion) it is little more than a concrete drain
It's not inviting nor easy to get too.
I wasn't aware there was access from the hospital
It's a bit seedy at the moment
Unappealing
There's no easy access via bike path
I was never aware it was there, to tell the truth!
I don't get out there too often because I feel a little unsafe walking around there by myself.
Have walked / ridden this section of path, it is only a goat track presently. Great to see that's going to be improved.
it's more like an open drain than a natural creek setting, not appealing at all.
I visit Stony creek frequently in Yarraville! I didn't realise it was near the hospital

**Survey question 7: Tell us your ideas and suggestions for improving Stony Creek between Laurel Street and Furlong Road?  
(all comments)**

<b>Comments via hard copy survey at pop-up events</b>
Stony Creek made out of rocks a concrete path, more nature, more bins, a bathroom, more animals, seats, playground
Take away the bushes and add a time machine
Build a path all along
We need a better school
No littering sign, playground, bins and toilet
BBQ area, tables, chairs, path, trees, bird baths, loads more
More toilets, more seats, stony creek in stone etc
I would like a foot path along the creek, toilets, BBQ areas, bins and more

<b>Comments via hard copy survey at pop-up events</b>
My ideas are to put a bridge across the creek, put in picnic area with bins and toilets so people have somewhere to eat and put their rubbish
We should have bins and we should prune the bushes and plant flowers. We need bird houses and clean water
Make a bridge to walk across, make the word Stony Creek in stones
Bridge connecting here to the field
Put in fresh flowers and pull out dead flowers. Make a concrete path on the side. Carve the name Stony Creek on the stones.
I would recommend the three bins, fruit trees, shade, bird houses and nests for native animals
I think we need places to have picnics, a toilet, bins, flowers, bird houses, a bridge down the middle of Stony Creek. Also a place for people to hand out and a path
I would recommend having picnic areas, more toilets and more bins. I would also recommend some bird houses and have a bridge that goes across the creek. I also want Stony Creek carved in some rocks.
I think we should plant fruit trees to protect the animals. Put a tower with binoculars so people can see all of Stony Creek
to make it clean
I think that we could have more flowers around. I also recommend bird houses and fruit trees and bushes so that people can eat while on their on journey
I think we should add bird houses
Look out binoculars, roses
we should add some parks, treehouses, more nature, clean water and some shops
More plant life and a more cozy area
Adding bins, park and benches for sitting
Pathway near the creek an playground for kids
More shops and parks
Footpath, park, BBQ area, socialising area
clean water, herbs, flowers
Bushes, paths to walk,
Plant more of the other native trees and make the soil more healthy. Cleanse the water and add a BBQ place, maybe even a little bridge
Footpath, kids area, BBQ , shops
A stone path to godown the lake
Make it a little near schools and making it a beautiful place by pulling out the old plants and put new ones in
We should purify the water, add recreation spaces and trails to encourage the community to visit the creek
I want more animals at the creek. I fa animals come it will help the creek thrive
Add water, more plants, paths
A pathway near the creek. A place to feed the ducks
Add a park and purify the water in the lake. More wildlife and a great place for people to enjoy and relief stress
More flowers, people, animals
Restaurant, more pretty environment, Barbecue place, underground base
Purify the water in the lade and bring ore native animals
we can put a lemonade stand so kids don't cry for water
More wildlife, more trees, new plants and new pathways
Maybe we could have more places to relax and have fun. We could have more animals and more natural things living near the creek
Wetlands to filter some of the water
Accessible paths and shared spaces
Make a playground, some fish and frogs, flowers and nice plants

<b>Comments via hard copy survey at pop-up events</b>
I reckon it should have places to walk, places for kids to play, wildlife and nature and artwork and murals
Id really love to see a nature play area for kids including hospital patients. A good nature play area would not be overly landscaped and would not have playground equipment . It'd comprise of logs, log bridges etc. and natural items that inspire imaginative play and create a sense of environmental stewardship in the next generation
I'm not familiar with Laurel St but I know Furlong Rd. It is fine as it is. My parents sometimes walk by the creek
More water monitoring, rubbish clean up, weeding, native tree planting
"Tan track' (walking and running), flowers app inspired stops, interesting facts on to stop and look at and extra info found on web - not booklet. Bridges that cross creek or fords
Planting more flora
Clean up for everyone, remove rubbish Add signs to stop people throwing rubbish/use bins Add paths for walking and cycling
I think it would be good to have more of a running track and a playground and a basketball court
Suggestions for improving Stony Creek between Laurel St and Furlong Rd are parks for kids/teenager and locals Activities for children/adults and teenagers. Also we can have volunteers to help as well
Doesn't need too much, I like the remoteness. Needs frogs and mountain bike path
Well let so it so its safe to walk in at night time. maybe even camera's
Redevelopment into a sustainable parkland
Outdoor exercise equipment or playgrounds, more foliage
Sit down, home lunch, rest relaxation
Create connections for existing cycle and walking paths
BBQ area, walking track, playground, dog bowl - water service, lighting for 24/24
Connect cycling/walking so its not so isolated
Bike track, jogging, patient access
Would be great to visit for rest/relaxational/connect to nature, have a walk
Lots of native trees and grasses to encourage birds and wilflife
Nature and natural area to local area
Make it easily accessible
Walk pathway
Pedestian access, outside gym/play equipment, bike path, BBQ areas
Shared paths, BBW area, wildlife, shelter/pagola, Fitness equipment, pleasant area, active area, section of tables and chairs
Connections within St Albans to M80 path, Wallenbilty VIC Roads
Access to creek, DDA access, picnic lunch, viewing platform
Community area Wildlife trees nature, interaction with creek
Fantastic idea if it is easy to get to
Parkland and BBQ, play area forkids
Walking path, an outdoor classroom space, logs, rocks to sit think and relax
Ducks, nature
Quiet and reflective spaces to connect with nature
Bring back nature
Put nice trees down there
Get the word out Organise event to help clean it Plant native plants to the area that attract a variety of native animals and birds
Bike path, play areas for kids
Make it new - no rubbish

<b>Comments via hard copy survey at pop-up events</b>
Rebuilt the nature water way like put fresh water in the water way
Reveg
Playground, bike path
More weed control measures implemented especially long creek edges Policing of dumping in river Create river flow
Major tree planting works, a drinking/dog fountain at the BBQ A picnic table or two strategically placed
Should et lot of supermarket and train station
Restructuring the banks to slow flow and increase native riparian vegetation
Clean bike path Less over growth across river Less syringes and other litter more chairs and lunch spaces
Improved track, better access
Interactive spaces, open area that is natural, rubbish cleanup
Clear area of rubbish and weeds Plant trees that will benefit the water ways
Clean up the rubbish Have clear paths Clear away weeds
Natural area restoration to help achieve a healthy waterway
Native plants, trees
Improving water flow and native riparian vegetation along the creek. Removing the pollution that is located in an along the creek
Remove weeds and rubbish Increase water flow lant native species
Refurb with native species and help water quality to improve
I would like to see the creek revegetated and the water quality improved to attract local wildlife
Pathways, access points, places to sit
Easy access to hospital
Better environment for everyone
Light path may improve an invite people to night walks
Some paths for exercise Natural spaces where kids can explore and play Space to relax
It will be good to have bike path and space for children to play
Clean up rubbish so we can walk safely to work
A path to walk along, improve water quality
pathways, clean it, more water
Exercise equipment, light to be safe, plants, rubbish bin and clean area
Make a good for walk
Fresh water, more clean brestation, footpath clean up, lights up so we can walk our dog without rubbish nd walk safely to and from work.

<b>Comments via the online survey</b>
A bike connection from the Western Ring Road shared path to the rear of the hospital would be great.
This project opens another opportunity to further progress the Greening The West initiative (see <a href="http://www.greeningthewest.org.au">www.greeningthewest.org.au</a> ), which is about enriching communities in Melbourne's west through the development of green spaces. Aside from the local recreational opportunities (e.g.

### Comments via the online survey

playgrounds and picnic areas at Sunshine Park and Laurel Street Reserve), and the opportunities for enhancement of walking and cycling networks (e.g. linking the Western Ring Road Trail to Sunshine Hospital), this project opens a great opportunity to increase tree canopy cover and play a habitat 'biolink' role. The section running parallel to Moonstone Circuit could be significantly enhanced with an 'urban forest' of appropriate native riparian tree species on both sides of the creek.

The project opens an opportunity for Melbourne Water and Brimbank City Council to work in partnership to upgrade the BBQ area adjacent to the structure that bridges Laurel Street over Stony Creek. There is currently very little tree canopy to provide dappled shade over that BBQ area and the shelter near the BBQ is in disrepair. Perhaps this park's 'furniture', including a replacement shelter, could feature items manufactured from recycled materials, e.g. eco-friendly park furniture.

The area needs a shared path that connects people through to schools, hospitals and the train station.

An area for kids to play and learn about nature.

It would be great to be able to avoid Furlong Rd. Revegetation and a shared path would make this a more pleasant place to cycle through and walk along, while avoiding the danger of a busy road.

I'd like to make two main points. Firstly, I think the project should be stretched to Magnolia Street, rather than cutting off at Laurel. Magnolia Street is almost like a boundary that brings two parts of St Albans East together and if there is easy access from Magnolia Street you will attract many more people to a future redeveloped Stony Creek area. Laurel is a little hidden and only those people who use it know it, imo, and you need to get people to the starting point in order that they will use it. You won't use something if you don't know it's there. Secondly, having a path that runs all the way along the creek and then direct to the hospital would be fantastic. I walk in this area almost every day for exercise and because of some health issues unfortunately need to go to the hospital precinct very regularly as well. I feel like I'm doing a huge loop to get there when I could literally walk straight down to it - I can see it clearly, a matter of metres away - but there is no direct access. And a third point, which has already been made by someone else but deserves reinforcing, the barbeque area in Laurel Street is very very ordinary. There has been a cordon around the shelter there for, quite literally, months. I've never seen anyone use it. I would if it were more appealing and I think others would too. Just across from the park it's a perfect spot for a barbeque and yet it never gets used. (Also needs a tap, so people can wash their hands. Very important).

A walk path/bike path with lots of trees and plants, and signs with distances and possible facts about the area and/or Sunshine Hospital.

A playground area for Children visiting Joan Kirner Womens & Childrens.

Lets make a safe and inviting place for those visiting the Hospital.

A walk/bike path with access to Sunshine Hospital. A barrier to increasing employees ability to ride to work is as a result of lack of safe access into the Sunshine hospital. Along the pathway should be plants, trees and flowers, some seats and drinking fountains.

Please see the link below. Large boulders and stones to recreate a natural-looking watercourse planted with a range of native trees, shrubs and groundcovers. A gross pollutant trap filters out all junk that's washed down the drains and is cleared out regularly to keep the area rubbish free.  
<https://www.abc.net.au/gardening/factsheets/different-approach/9524974>

A shaded area where you can sit under a tree at a bench/table, listen to the birds and have a view of the water.

An indigenous walking track that explains how indigenous people used the area and the plants. Mass planting with interlaced around what the plants are and how they were used. A meditation circle in a shading area with some interps around some simple ideas for mindfulness in this space.

<b>Comments via the online survey</b>
Although a rear entrance to the hospital sounds like a good idea I'm concerned it will encourage additional traffic and car parking congestion near Grantham Green reserve similar to what happens in Mulhall Drive and Clover avenue.

**Survey question 8: Which other creeks or natural spaces in the St Albans/Sunshine area do you visit and why do you choose to go there?  
(all comments)**

<b>Comments via the hard copy surveys from pop-up events</b>
Kororoit Creek and playground because they are fun
Grantham Green park/reserve
I have never been to a creek around there but sometime I go cycling at the reserve on the other side of the school
I don't go to any other creeks
I don't go to any other creeks
Green Gully
Brimbank park and Green Gully
I don't really go anywhere else
Brimbank park - because there is a big area for hanging out with friends and family
Near Lavender shopping centre
The creek near Krly
Because I love how it have playground
BrimBank Park is really good
I don't go
I don't know what its called
I go to my local park because I find it is a great way to have fun
I go to my local park because it has a playground an basketball court.
Sunshine because it is a good hospital and caring
I don't go to any
I don't go to any other creeks
Stradbroke Drive Reserve
Maribyrnong river at river valley estate in Sunshine North. Selwyn Park in Albion
Park in St Albans because I ride my bike there often
Maribrynong River Koriorot Creek - good walking tracks
I don't know where to go
New park at Hertford Rd sunshine
Matthew Hills because they have planted baby trees there a few months ago and there's a big place of natural space
Koroit Creek
Kororiot Creek
Rocket Park - West Sunshine
I live at Roxburgh Park
Koriot Creek walk along drive, the bridges for the children to watch whats going on in the creek

<b>Comments via the hard copy surveys from pop-up events</b>
Taylors Creek trail
Maribyrnong
park - winterrun
Places with paths for walking
Natural environment, remove pollutants, bring back fish, experience a bit of nature
Brinbank Park cos its the only one in the area
I don't live near this area so I don't know many places
Cairnlea wetlands
Koriot Creek, Volunteering with the friends of groups and going for walks
Maribynong Creek
I don't know any other creeks in the area
Walking around my area
Because it just around the corner where I live
Brimbank
Walk dog
Brimbank park - it's more clean, more safe for my dog and exercise.

<b>Comments via the online survey</b>
I go to Brimabnk Park to run by the creek and let the girls ride their scooters
I usually visit the Caroline Springs Lake, I walk my dog there and it's closer to where I live.
Taylors creek.. walking tracks and cycling tracks,BBQs, playground
Brimbank Park, sections of the Maribyrnong River, sections of Taylors Creek, and other sections of Stony Creek
Kororoit and Brimbank park because its advertised by Parks Vic
Iramoo Wildflower Grassland Reserve, Featherheads Wildflower Reserve, Pimelea Wildflower Reserve
None.
Kororoit Creek
Western Ring Road Bike Path
Killeen reserve, Buckingham reserve
Grantham green as it is close to my resident and only area with okay grass for the kids and the dog.
I ride on Gilmour Street where Stony Creek runs pass.
none (none close to the hospital)
Cycle to work using roads proximal to Sunshine Hospitla and connect to existing bike paths further towards the city. Use outdoor space at the hospital for lunches, walks etc during work.
Matthews hill - playground and bike path/walking path, kororoit creek for playground
I cycle along the Maribyrnong River a lot (nearby).
Brimbank Park, Green Gully Reserve, the unnamed areas where the electricity pylons run, Western Ring Road path (other sections)
Kororoit Creek in Albion. To walk, to cycle, to experience a last remnants of nature left in the Melbourne metropolitan area.
I usually visit Brimbank park.
Selwyn Park, kororoit creek, Brimbank Park
I live in Cairnlea and love going for walks and bike rides along Koroit creek trail. Even the new water play in Sunshine is great, my toddler loves it.

None
Brimbank Park, walking/bicycle track under the power lines running between the ring road and St Albans road. I enjoy being in parks and natural spaces, particularly with lots of wildlife and birdlife.
Cairnlea, Jones Creek, Kororoit CreekC
Dennis
Simpson
I don't really go elsewhere in Sunshine, just to the hospital.
I use the Jones Creek Trail every week. It's nice to walk through the natural landscape with birdlife and animals. The trail connects to the Cairnlea playground (which could use some improvement in equipment), which attracts families and activities.
Kororoit Creek Trail, Marbyrnong River trail, Moonee Ponds Creek Trail
none. usually travel outside of my suburb to visit parkland
I don't live in the area

**Survey question 10: Is there anything else you would like to share with us?  
(all comments)**

<b>Comments via the hard copy surveys from pop-up events</b>
No I don't have anything else to share
No thank you
Soon please be done
Put a little playground
More and purified water
No it is good
Nothing else that I think of
To avoid the environmental tragedy of Stony Creek downstream in Yarraville etc. a diversion mechanism would be good for large volumes of pollutants eg fire fighting at the hospital or soccer club
Community projects are so important
Add colour either flower or sculptures
It smells at the creek now, clean it up!
Don't bring in excavators need rock climbing section it 95% good
Need to go and have a look
I would like it to meld with the hospital grounds - direct links with tracks / paths
Make is safer
Make it multicultural and welcoming for everyone
Café near creek
We would definitely have lunch there better than sitting in the hospital room. Supply duck food, buy from an automatic machine?
Would be good for children if it was better and safe
Get rid of government control Ask first nation people to design and manage
I just think it needs more advertisement
The west seems to be lacking trees. More trees planting along the creek will enhance the whole area
Less needles and litter

<b>Comments via the hard copy surveys from pop-up events</b>
Good place. I like it but it is not very convenient
This will be a wonderful thing for the hospital residences and the school kids
This section to be restored will only improve if the entire creek is cleaned up. A holistic approach to waterway improvement is important
The creek is filthy at the moment
A great project to enhance the creek
I think this project is really good
Smells too much rubbish Need access to hospital Bridge to access other area
Thank you for bring good ideas for better live. I hop everything going good or better
thank you for the opportunity to express our humble opinion
Reimaging Stony Creek is very good idea because now seem not much care to many grass/bushes
I just want to say thank you for the clean up effort
Not at the moment
rubbish(syringes / gloves) coming from hospital, Open drain - doesn't collect rubbish, clean creek more often
Hopefully we can see a successful results

<b>Comments via the online survey</b>
Please put in a gravel running path
Perhaps a dog friendly area with a dog friendly cafe. If patients are at the nearby hospital, perhaps have a section where patients can go with visitors so they can see their dogs. I know if I was in hospital, I would be missing my dog.
Great need for walking paths in area and shade trees,plantings to filter water, prominent seating ,access to hospital paths
This project opens opportunity to further progress the Greening The West initiative, potentially playing a link role in the Ring of Parks concept, plus opening opportunity to enhance bicycle network connectivity.
Trees are great but please limit the amount of small shrubs and bushes that block view (high drug user area)
There is an opportunity to create better interconnected nature trails across St Albans and Cairnlea. This includes the grasslands under the power line easements, Jones Creek and Kororoit Creek and all the connected grasslands.
Please install access to the Hospital from the bicycle path. ATM paedestrians & cyclists have to use busy/polluted/dangerous/narrow footpath along Furlong rd
It would be wonderful if hospital ambulatory patients (cancer survivors et al), as well as staff were able to visit Stony Creek and took a role in its beautification.
These waterways provide pathways to explore and commute away from traffic. Pathways are a great way to activate the areas and provide a nucleus for revegetation, including by the community which improves community engagement and care of the areas.
It would be great if the Stony Creek Path along the North border of Sunshine Hospital had a path to the hospital, and the path had a connection to the Western Ring Road Bike path from the North.
Make the area easily accessible, inviting and pleasant to be in.
It is good for the community to have an area that is vibrant with kids playground, the waterway could be better maintained and walkway along the creek connect the community to the hospital and station would vastly improve the quality of the neighbourhood
Thank you for your work in helping to bring life to Stony Creek

<b>Comments via the online survey</b>
Bike access through the area would be a huge benefit to locals and those accessing the hospital. Open space would be a major advantage to patients and families of Sunshine Hospital and particularly Joan Kirner Women's and Children's hospital.
I want to start riding my bike to work, however I don't due to poor bike paths. I would really like to see this improved so I don't have to commute by car.
I would love to see a health creek with native vegetation including shade, areas for recreation pinci tables etc and bike paths with good connections to the hospital, other bike trails, schools etc
I am always in favour of bicycle infrastructure that protects people from cars
I love the idea of revitalising creeks, and the more cycle paths created the better, especially around schools and hospitals! Awesome idea.
Yes. Why don't you extend this to Magnolia Street? Why does it end at Laurel? YOu will get so much more people using the space if you extend it because at Magnolia you're entering a whole new segment of the suburb. Laurel is, by its design, cut off.
To be able to ride along the creek in line with the hospital would greatly increase my cycling frequency to work. Avoiding the cars on Furlong road means a detour onto the bike path that runs next to the high tension power lines,
It would be fantastic to see the Stony Creek project include bicycle access and a shared or designated bike path to assist access to and from Sunshine hospital and to link this with existing bike routes/paths, as Furlong Rd access is high risk for bikes.
Yes, please do all you can to return Stony Creek to a more natural state. Then expand these works downstream to Albion and Sunshine!
I feel the area should be used as green corridor for wildlife in the area as well as steps taken to improve the heath and water quality of the river. Being near the hospital it would also be great for patients have something that offers a view.
Strong indigenous interpretation of the area would be good.
Brimbank council need to plant a lot more trees. In particular St.Albans Rd and Ballarat Rd, it would look great if they were both lined with trees. I myself love my walks and being outside, in particular taking my son to the a local playground
Better fencing for the adjacent houses and a new bike trail.
The creek should be kept as natural as possible and an active waste managment plan implemented
Joining path to Ring Rd cycle track/path is important. Extend bike path along Stony Creek from Furlong Rd to Albion/Ballarat Road.
A bike path that makes Sunshine hospital accessible for cyclists is very important to me.
Some things that are important to me: safe bike access to the hospital; a natural space for patients and hospital staff
I would love for there to be more of a natural space around the hospital at Sunshine. One of the main gripes I have with working in a hospital is the lack of natural light and greenery. An outdoor space behind the hospital would be ideal!
Would be great to have playgrounds, picnic areas, fitness equipment, water fountains incorporated
Remove the concrete encasment of the creek further downstream
I'd love to be involved with cleaning up or tree planting in the area!

# Marketing materials

## Reimagining Stony Creek Community Update

February 2019

### Map of Stony Creek at Sunshine Hospital showing the section to be reimagined

MAP NOT TO SCALE

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Reimagining Your Creek

### Reimagining Your Creek Project Stony Creek at Sunshine Hospital Community Update - February 2019

**Reimagining Stony Creek**

Melbourne Water is planning to transform almost a kilometre of Stony Creek near Sunshine Hospital, between Laurel Street and Furlong Road St Albans.

Located adjacent to the Sunshine Hospital, we are looking to the community and our Project Partners for ideas and suggestions for how we can make this a desirable open space where people can interact with nature.

By combining your priorities with contemporary urban design and landscaping ideas, the creek and open space.

We want to hear how you use the creek now, as well as your ideas and suggestions for how it can be improved.

This project supports Melbourne Water's vision to *Enhance Life and Livability*.

**What's involved**

By talking to the community and hearing what's important to you, we can co-design this section of the creek. We want your ideas and suggestions! Come and see us at our community events or comment online! Then, when the initial designs have been developed we will want your feedback to validate that we have got the designs right.

**Key steps**

1. We want to hear your ideas and suggestions, online or at our community events. Your ideas will influence the design and our decision-making! Register to 'follow' our project [yoursay.melbournewater.com.au/reimagining-stony-creek](http://yoursay.melbournewater.com.au/reimagining-stony-creek)
2. We'll report back on what we heard – your priorities and the key themes.
3. We'll share the initial concept designs and will want you to provide feedback. Did we get the designs right?
4. Once we have confirmed the designs meet your needs, we'll fine-tune the plans and prepare final designs for construction.

Through this project we aim to improve the health of the waterway and create an accessible open space with improved amenity. We want to co-design a place where you can connect with others or with nature – and create an enjoyable place to visit.

We expect these designs to be finalised in October 2019. To stay up to date, register to 'follow' our project [yoursay.melbournewater.com.au/reimagining-stony-creek](http://yoursay.melbournewater.com.au/reimagining-stony-creek)

## Reimagining Your Creek - Stony Creek at Sunshine Hospital, St Albans

**SHARE YOUR IDEAS**

### Provide your ideas online or at our community events

To share your ideas and suggestions, you can:

- Go to [www.yoursay.melbournewater.com.au/reimagining-stony-creek](http://www.yoursay.melbournewater.com.au/reimagining-stony-creek). Then, complete our online survey or provide your ideas and comments. By choosing to 'follow' our page you will receive project updates.
- Attend our community events:
  - Thursday 14 March 2019, 5pm to 8pm: Free sausage sizzle at the Club Italia Sporting Club football grounds.
  - Friday 15 March 2019, 11am to 3pm: Sunshine Hospital main reception foyer.
  - Saturday 16 March 2019, 11am to 3pm: Crantham Green Reserve, near the intersection of Laurel Street and Moonstone Circuit. Wizard Sim Sala Bin will be there to take you on a creek adventure.

These face to face events will provide opportunities for you to influence the redesign of this section of Stony Creek.

### Working together to get the solution right

In addition to capturing your ideas and suggestions, we are working closely with our Project Partners and the Sunshine Health, Wellbeing and Education Precinct to identify how this section of Stony Creek and the open space can be part of future development plans at the Sunshine Hospital.

Our Project Partners include Western Health, the Department of Health and Human Services, Victorian Planning Authority, Department of Environment Land Water and Planning, City West Water and Brimbank City Council.

By working together we can capture local knowledge, ideas and suggestions to maximise enjoyment and use of the open space by people who live, work, study or play in the neighbourhood.

By adopting this co-design approach, we can be confident that the project delivers improved amenity, connectivity and livability based on local knowledge, community preferences and aspirations.

While we need to ensure that any planned changes to the waterway don't impact our flood mitigation measures, the redesign might provide:

- Improved paths to connect people to the hospital, schools, sports grounds and other existing facilities
- Places where people can enjoy the waterway and natural environment with improved habitat for birds, frogs and other animals
- Crossings that enable people to interact and engage with the waterway.

To help us redesign this community space, we want you to talk to us online or face to face at our community events.



**REIMAGINING YOUR CREEKS**

### Potential ideas to consider

Over the past twelve months Melbourne Water has worked with local communities and Project Partners to co-design a section of Arnolds Creek in Melton West and a section of Blind Creek in Boronia.

**Arnolds Creek - Before**

**What's planned**

**Blind Creek - Before**

**What's planned**



# Reimagining Stony Creek Postcard



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To help us make it a place that appeals to you, we want your ideas and suggestions. Come and talk to us at our community events or share your ideas online!

Our Project Partners



Come and talk to the project team – look for the Chatterbox trailer

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Have your say online

Visit [soursay.melbournewater.com.au/reimagining-stony-creek](https://soursay.melbournewater.com.au/reimagining-stony-creek) to tell us what you think should be in the redesign.  
Comment before Monday 1 April 2019.

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# Reimagining Stony Creek Poster in English and Vietnamese



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Melbourne Water đang lập kế hoạch để tái tạo Stony Creek đoạn tại Bệnh viện Sunshine - từ Furlong Road đến Laurel Street, St Albans.

Để giúp chuyển đổi nơi này thành nơi hấp dẫn với quý vị, chúng tôi muốn nhận được ý kiến và đề nghị của quý vị.

Hãy đến và nói chuyện với chúng tôi tại các sự kiện cộng đồng do chúng tôi tổ chức hoặc chia sẻ ý kiến của quý vị trực tuyến!



Hãy đến và nói chuyện với toàn phụ trách dự án - tìm đoạn video giới thiệu Chatterbox màu vàng

Thứ Năm 14 tháng 3 năm 2019, 5 giờ chiều đến 8 giờ tối

Chợ sạp đồ ăn vặt miễn phí và tiệc nướng tại sân cỏ bóng đá của đội bóng đá nghiệp dư Câu lạc bộ Thể thao Ý Đại Lợi

Thứ Sáu 15 tháng 3 năm 2019, 11 giờ sáng đến 3 giờ chiều

Tên sảnh tiếp tân chính của bệnh viện Sunshine

Thứ Bảy 16 tháng 3 năm 2019, 11 giờ sáng đến 3 giờ chiều

Khu bảo tồn xanh Grantham, gần Laurel Street và ngã ba Moonstone Circuit.

Hãy đóng góp ý kiến trực tuyến trước thứ Hai 1 tháng 4 năm 2019

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