

**Request to be heard?:** No

**Precinct:** General

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**Organisation:**

**Affected property:**

**Attachment 1:**

**Attachment 2:**

**Attachment 3:**

**Comments:** This submission was prepared collaboratively by participants who attended a workshop on the 29 November 2017. The workshop involved a facilitated discussion about key aspects of the draft framework including transport, sustainability, open space, community infrastructure, and place and height and density of built form. The following submission is structured around what representative community participants liked about the draft Framework's proposals to deliver on open space, gaps they feel should be addressed and further considerations. What was liked

- Many agreed that the size of the development and amount of open space close to the CBD – both existing and new presented a great opportunity for the area.
- The focus on biodiversity and the use of Indigenous plants will create a sense of place – “by the sea/river”.
- Many liked the idea of new spaces for different uses, including linear parks, permeable landscape surfaces and increased in tree canopy for more shade.
- o Grant Street and Howe Parade are good examples of linear parks.
- Murphy Reserve is the best part of Port Melbourne – a 1 kilometre stretch of land with views – it should never to be built out. Where there are gaps
- J. L Murphy, North Port Oval and Melbourne Grammar should be opened up for multipurpose use.
- Development needs to be carefully managed around open space (e.g. J L Murphy) – like Central Park in New York City.
- Perception of the area can be improved by unifying space, such as through the careful selection of materials and plants and having a consistent theme.
- Go Kart track should be shown in Master Plan (shown as West Gate Park. Entry to Herald Weekly Times near West Gate Park should be incorporated into the park.
- Opportunity to open port land up for public access and use near the Yarra River. For further consideration
- Further consideration needs to be given to activating public open spaces and ensuring flexibility/fit-for-purpose usage.
- Other elements for consideration include:
  - o Transitioning existing open spaces to other uses.
  - o Creating playgrounds for families and skate parks for the younger generation.
  - o Areas for activities for seniors and those in the older age bracket.
  - o Building mini version of pavilion opposite Arts Centre for events.
  - o Creating spaces for markets, community compost and vegetable gardens.
  - o Free recreational facilities (e.g. swimming pool) and spaces for free events.
  - o Large parks should be created (e.g. as big as Albert Park).
  - o Use of local indigenous species and habitat zones.
  - o Recognition of history of the area in the design of open space facilities.
  - o Dog parks/use of recycled water to clean up after dogs (sprinklers at night).
  - o Well-designed/maintained facilities including:
    - o Toilets
    - o Drinking fountains
    - o Bins
    - o Lighting
    - o WiFi
    - o Parking