Open Space Survey  February 2018

We want to know which open spaces and facilities you love and why. Telling us how you use your open spaces will help us create a better strategy that works for everybody. We want to find out how you use our open spaces now, how you would like to use them in the future, where you think the gaps are and where you think improvements could be made. Open space includes parks, playgrounds, gardens, waterways, nature trails, sporting reserves and urban plazas. Please return this survey or complete it online by Sunday 18 March 2018.

**Q1** Thinking about all the different types of open space, what do you value most about them? (Please tick the appropriate box(es) below)

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<th>A place to relax and unwind</th>
<th>Cultural activities and events</th>
<th>Trees</th>
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<td>The feeling of space</td>
<td>Meeting people/friends</td>
<td>Flora/garden beds</td>
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<td>The quiet</td>
<td>Fitness</td>
<td>Habitat for native plants &amp; animals</td>
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<td>Just being outside</td>
<td>Health and wellbeing</td>
<td>Natural bushland character</td>
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<td>Knowing that it is there</td>
<td>Playing team/club based sport</td>
<td>Historical character</td>
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<td>The diversity of open space</td>
<td>Playing casual ball games/activity</td>
<td>Cultural heritage values/ significance</td>
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<td>An escape from the built environment</td>
<td>Place for children to play</td>
<td>Green character</td>
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| It is accessible            | Watching activity              | Other ..........................................

**Q2** Please nominate up to two open spaces that you visit regularly within walking distance of home and why you visit them? If you don’t know their names just give us a location (for example a street name).

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<th>Reason(s) for visiting</th>
<th>Do you have any suggested improvements?</th>
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Q3  Which main open space do you visit beyond walking distance of home, and why do you visit this space? If you don’t know their names just give us a location (for example a street name).

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Q4  Is there open space in the City of Yarra that you don't visit but would like to?

- [ ] Yes (Please tell us why below)
- [ ] No (Go to Q5)

Reasons why you don’t visit open space:

- [ ] Too far to walk/cycle/travel
- [ ] Lack of time
- [ ] Uninviting
- [ ] The park is too busy
- [ ] Not enough space
- [ ] Lack of facilities
- [ ] The facilities do not appeal to me or my family
- [ ] Busy traffic means it is difficult to access
- [ ] Lack of public transport
- [ ] Personal safety concerns
- [ ] Other (please describe) ............................................

Q5  Yarra has a range of facilities within its open space. Please tell us if you have used any of the facilities in the last 12 months, whether they are adequately maintained and were there enough? (Please place a tick in the appropriate columns below ~ They are listed in alphabetical order).

<table>
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<th>Facilities</th>
<th>Used in the last 12 months?</th>
<th>Was it adequately maintained?</th>
<th>Are there enough?</th>
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<td>Barbecues</td>
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<td>Cafe/kiosk</td>
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<td>Club-based indoor sport and recreation facility</td>
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<td>Cycle paths</td>
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<td>Dog off-leash areas</td>
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<td>Drinking fountains</td>
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<td>Informal outdoor recreation facilities (for example half courts, fitness equipment, cricket nets)</td>
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<td>Open grassed areas for informal use</td>
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<td>Picnic tables</td>
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If other, please specify:
### Frequency of use

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<th>Frequency of use</th>
<th>Daily</th>
<th>Twice or three times per week</th>
<th>Weekly</th>
<th>Monthly</th>
<th>Once or twice a year</th>
<th>Never</th>
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### Type of open space

- Open space along the Merri Creek
- Open space along the Yarra River
- Large parks and gardens (primarily non-sporting) for example Edinburgh Gardens, Fairfield Park, Barkly Gardens and Park Street Reserve/Hardy Gallagher Reserve
- Large sporting reserves, for example Quarries Park, Yarra Bend Park, Kevin Bartlett Reserve, Victoria Park and Burnley Park
- Medium sized parks, for example Gahan Reserve (Abbotsford) and Curtain Square (Carlton North)
- Small local parks
- Urban squares
- Local streets for exercise

### Where do you live? (Please tick one box)

- Abbotsford
- Carlton North - Princes Hill
- Central Richmond
- Clifton Hill
- Collingwood
- Cremorne and Burnley - Richmond South
- Fairfield - Alphington
- Fitzroy
- Fitzroy North
- North Richmond

### Your gender? (Please tick appropriate box)

- Male
- Female
- Other
- Prefer not to say

### Your age range (Please tick appropriate box)

- 0-11
- 12-17
- 18-24
- 25-34
- 35-49
- 50-59
- 60-69
- 70-84
- 85+

### What type of household do you live in? (Please tick appropriate box)

- Couple with children
- Couple without children
- Lone person
- One parent family
- Group household
- Other

### Do you work in the City of Yarra?

- Yes (Go to question 15)
- No (Go to question 19)

### Where do you work? (Please tick one box)

- Abbotsford
- Carlton North - Princes Hill
- Central Richmond
- Clifton Hill
- Collingwood
- Cremorne and Burnley - Richmond South
- Fairfield - Alphington
- Fitzroy
- Fitzroy North
- North Richmond

### If you work in the City of Yarra, do you visit open space near your workplace?

- Yes
- No
Q17 Why do you visit the open space near your workplace?

☐ Being outdoors as a break from work
☐ Socialising/meeting colleagues/friends
☐ Meeting family
☐ Fitness/exercise (informal)
☐ Sport (club-based)
☐ Eating lunch
☐ Cycling/jogging/walking to/from work via the open space network (rather than roads)
☐ Other (please describe):

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Q18 If you are speaking on behalf of a community organisation or group, what is its name?

Q19 Any further comments on open space in the City of Yarra?

If you would like to be kept informed about the project directly, please supply your contact details.

Name: ...............................................................................................................................

Address: ............................................................................................................................

Postcode: □□□□

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. Please fold in accordance with the diagram below, hold it closed with a small piece of tape (no staples please) and return free of charge via the post by Sunday 18 March 2018.

Note: your name and address will be entered onto a separate data base and will not be linked to the information contained in this survey.

The personal information requested on this form is being collected by the City of Yarra for the purpose of understanding community views about open space provision in the municipality. The personal information will be used solely by Council for that primary purpose or directly related purposes.