



# 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)

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

**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).

Name or location of open space	Reason(s) for visiting	Do you have any suggested improvements?
1.		
2.		

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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)..

Name or location of open space	Reason(s) for visiting	Do you have any suggested improvements?
1.		

**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**

- |   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Too far to walk/cycle/travel | <input type="checkbox"/> Not enough space                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Busy traffic means it is difficult to access |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of time                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of facilities                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of public transport                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Uninviting                   | <input type="checkbox"/> The facilities do not appeal to me or my family | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal safety concerns                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The park is too busy         |  | <input type="checkbox"/> 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).

Facilities	Used in the last 12 months?		Was it adequately maintained?		Are there enough?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Barbecues						
Cafe/kiosk						
Club-based indoor sport and recreation facility						
Club-based outdoor sport and recreation facility						
Cycle paths						
Dog off-leash areas						
Drinking fountains						
Informal outdoor recreation facilities (for example half courts, fitness equipment, cricket nets)						
Open grassed areas for informal use						
Playgrounds						
Picnic tables						
Public toilets						
Seats						
Shelters						
Skate facilities						
Walking paths						
If other, please specify:						



**Q6 Please indicate how frequently you use each type of open space listed below?**  
(Please place a tick in the appropriate location below).

Type of open space	Frequency of use					
	Daily	Two to three times per week	Weekly	Monthly	Once or twice a year	Never
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						

**Q7 Where do you live?** (Please tick one box)

<input type="checkbox"/> Abbotsford	<input type="checkbox"/> Collingwood	<input type="checkbox"/> Fitzroy
<input type="checkbox"/> Carlton North - Princes Hill	<input type="checkbox"/> Cremorne and Burnley - Richmond South	<input type="checkbox"/> Fitzroy North
<input type="checkbox"/> Central Richmond	<input type="checkbox"/> Fairfield - Alphington	<input type="checkbox"/> North Richmond
<input type="checkbox"/> Clifton Hill		

**Q8 Your gender?**  
(Please tick appropriate box)

Male  
  Female  
  Other  
  Prefer not to say

**Q9 Your age range** (Please tick appropriate box)

<input type="checkbox"/> 0-11	<input type="checkbox"/> 25-34	<input type="checkbox"/> 60-69
<input type="checkbox"/> 12-17	<input type="checkbox"/> 35-49	<input type="checkbox"/> 70-84
<input type="checkbox"/> 18-24	<input type="checkbox"/> 50-59	<input type="checkbox"/> 85+

**Q10 The type of dwelling you live in?** (Please tick one box)

Flat or apartment  
  Separate house  
 Semi-detached house/townhouse/unit  
  Other .....

**Q11 What is your country of birth?**

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**Q12 Which of these apply to your household?**  
(Please tick one box)

Speak only English at home  
 Speak a language other than English at home  
 If so, which other language do you speak at home?  
 .....

**Q13 What type of household do you live in?**  
(Please tick appropriate box)

<input type="checkbox"/> Couple with children	<input type="checkbox"/> Lone person
<input type="checkbox"/> Couple without children	<input type="checkbox"/> Group household
<input type="checkbox"/> One parent family	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

**Q14 Do you work in the City of Yarra?**

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

**Q15 Where do you work?** (Please tick one box)

<input type="checkbox"/> Abbotsford	<input type="checkbox"/> Collingwood	<input type="checkbox"/> Fitzroy
<input type="checkbox"/> Carlton North - Princes Hill	<input type="checkbox"/> Cremorne and Burnley - Richmond South	<input type="checkbox"/> Fitzroy North
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**Q16 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?**

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

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

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

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

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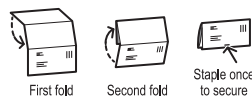
Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. Please fold in accordance with the diagram below, hold it closed with a small piece of tape (no staples please) and return free of charge via the post by Sunday 18 March 2018.

**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.

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