

Higgins Park and Playfield Reserve Masterplan

Comments received through the submission form available during the public advertising period.

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No.	Submission received	Officer's response	Amended Y/N
1	Our family wish to continue to use the wide-open space of this beautiful Park. Permanent Hockey facilities is a detriment when there is a large facility at Curtin University. This is a very serious matter for us. Also given the recent rise in rates and given the serious nature of Covid19 Recession. I strongly urge the council not to engage in million dollar spending projects. Regards,	Noted	N
2	Higgins Park Master Plan - Being an active member of the TOVP community I do not agree with the proposal of a Hockey Playing surface at Higgins Park. Options 1 & 2 disrupt the current Football Clubs operations and Playing fields. As a local community Footy Club run by volunteers the necessity to provide sport activities within the precinct is invaluable. This provides a engaged and supportive group which gives back. I do understand that Hockey as a sport also needs to be catered for but the displacement of a well established and strong Football club will be the demise of the club. Option 3 is the best outcome that should be ruled on to provide a future for the Football Club. As a coach of one of many teams, the recommendation to train at different ovals with in the ToVP is not an option. I have 3 children who currently play Football at the Raiders and if you want parents like myself to deliver our kids all over the precinct makes it more difficult which would result in more non participation (Drop Outs). I am one of many that oppose Options 1 & 2 of the Masterplan.	Noted	N
3	Vic park lacks the grounds needed to support Hockey development in the zone.	Noted	N
4	The reserve is used at capacity in winter and there are enough synthetic turfs locally already.	Noted	N

5	I selected option 2 as my strongly support as it is important to have powered lights to be switched on more importantly for security reasons but also for winter sports and training. I am happy to see to new upgrades happen at Higgins Park as long as the community can still make use of the ovals and playgrounds surrounding Higgins and it doesn't just become a stadium.	Noted	N
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7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The size, scale and spatial impact of the infrastructure required for a fenced synthetic hockey turf at Higgins Park will have an unacceptable impact on the community. • The proposal to include a fenced synthetic hockey turf will reduce the availability and accessibility of Higgins Park to all members of the community. • The synthetic turf will be located on 3 sides by residential properties. There is no other fenced synthetic hockey turf in Perth where this occurs. • The closest residential property will be approximately 50m away from the proposed synthetic turf location and the impact on surrounding residents will be unacceptable. • Higgins Park is only 7.2 Ha in area where all other similar facilities are located on reserves ranging in area from 15 to 85 Ha. • A fenced synthetic hockey turf will not fit spatially onto Higgins Park without considerable tree removal and retaining. • There is no demonstrated 'need' or business case for a fenced synthetic hockey turf. This is a 'want' of the club and not even supported by Hockey WA. • There is an oversupply of synthetic hockey turfs in Perth, particularly in the region surrounding Higgins Park. • Any fenced synthetic hockey turf will squeeze out the Raiders. • Option 2 is out of scope and its inclusion denies procedural fairness to the community and the Raiders. • Synthetic hockey turfs end up in landfill at the end of their life. • 'in hot conditions, a synthetic grass sporting area can be up to 40% hotter than a natural grass field'. • A fenced synthetic hockey turf would not be accessible to the community unless the Hockey club 'hired' it to them. • The WASPs are undertaking a feasibility study for the development of a synthetic hockey turf at Collier Reserve South Perth and identified VP Hockey club as a 'partnership opportunity'. This site is more suitable. • Hockey WA is in the process of reviewing its business model for the State Centre at Curtin University due to there being only three clubs requiring ongoing access to the two turfs provided at the site. <p>Why Option 3?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supports a variety of uses. • No trees are removed. • No exclusive fenced off areas. • Maintains a sense of spaciousness. 	Noted. Thanks for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N
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- Minimal impact on surroundings residents.
- This option allows the Raiders to grow and continue their grass roots programs.
- Lowest cost to the ToVP and ratepayers.
- Secures vital green public open space and amenity for all members of the community into the future.
- The open nature of active reserves such as Higgins Park need to be maintained with potential enhancements and embellishments which will encourage activation and provide for socialising when not used for sporting purposes.
- Higgins Park is already recognised by the Town as being 'at or above capacity' during the winter sports season.
- The Town of Victoria Park community rated Parks and Public Open Spaces as their number one public health priority in the Healthy Vic Park Plan.

The Town of Victoria Park is cool and I love living here.

This whole of idea of fencing off valuable green public open space for the exclusive use of a club where only 44% of their members actually live in ToVP is DUMB.

8	<p>We moved to this particular house because of the park and its peace, its abundance of mature trees and wonderful bird life. Due to the absence of university staff & students parking up and down Creaton, Playfield & Pallit Streets during COVID, the bird life population has grown exponentially over the past few months, and we and other locals get to enjoy them in the park every day. To see nature marred by synthetic turf, fencing and formal grounds when the park is already so well-utilised by others seems like development for development's sake, and not in the best interest of the local community or the natural environment overall.</p> <p>While our family are not huge footy fans personally, it is absolutely massive at Higgins Park, with many children and youth playing the game on a daily basis (even in the off-season). Higgins Park is well-known in the area for football in winter, and cricket in summer. Further, these sports do not require the grass to be replaced with unattractive, unnatural synthetic turf, fenced off and formalised into dedicated hockey grounds. Hockey fields and synthetic turf will restrict usage by other members of the community - at least football & cricket fields are multi-disciplinary. We will be able to see the fenced synthetic hockey field from our living room picture windows, and I do not want that.</p> <p>Hockey fields are less than a kilometre away at Curtin University. It seems a little remiss to have two hockey fields in such close proximity. I know many, many families in Vic Park who are heavily involved in football, soccer, basketball, cricket, netball and tennis at a grassroots level. I know only one family who play hockey. The fact that two grass pitches and one synthetic turf (in addition to Curtin) are being considered for a less popular local sport seems like overkill.</p>	Noted. Thanks for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N
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9	<p>Synthetic turf is appalling for the environment and sits in landfill forever. No point in banning single use plastic in the Town, then allowing a massive area of synthetic turf, which needs to be replaced every 6-10 years at a very significant cost, to replace beautiful and environmentally friendly and necessary grass! Hockey clubs can share existing turfs - better for the environment and better for the community. All other hockey clubs do this. No other hockey club has their own and won't share! Options 1 and 2 partially or completely displace the football club which has been there for decades and has a very strong community focus, not to mention around 90% ToVP residents as members. A club with a 10% aboriginal membership should be particularly supported and valued. As a growing sport football needs the space, as a sport in decline, hockey can share. I understand that Xavier's have many top players, which they continue to retain, without having their own synthetic turf. This proves they don't need their own synthetic turf, otherwise those players would have moved elsewhere. The reserve has already been assessed as operating at or above capacity in winter. You can see that from the amount of cars parked there throughout winter. There simply isn't space for another winter sport. We cannot afford to lose more mature trees and threaten the existence of trees of major significance, by building a turf into their roots, which would have to happen if Option 1 is chosen. We cannot afford to lose the limited public green space available to our growing community. I recently attended a ToVP workshop, trying to work out how we could solve the issue of having such a limited amount of public green open space available to our residents, with suggestions such as using sumps and verges. It's unforgivable for the ToVP to suggest removing such a large amount at such a great expense to ToVP residents, without any benefit to them at all. To expect ToVP residents to foot the bill for a hockey club with less than 50% residents in their membership is galling. Public green open space is crucial for mental health. In Option 1, a synthetic turf hockey facility would be ridiculously close to residents – only 50m away. That's extremely unfair to expect people to live with the extra noise and lighting. Options 1 and 2 would have a very negative impact on the ToVP's standing in the community.</p>	Noted	N
10	<p>More consideration need to play areas for children. As it here are limited options for areas such as St James</p>	Noted	N

11	<p>I am really concerned about losing the football facilities at the park and only options 1 and 3 allow for the continuation of the sport at Higgins. We have a proud history of football on the ground and it would be disastrous to lose it. That said, I am strongly in favour of option 3 as this also accommodates heightened football focus with cricket pitch, and these two sports are natural 'bed partners' given the winter/summer focus for each, respectively. I would also add that it is really important we include facilities for both boys and girls changing. Our daughter has had to endure changing into her football kit in public (and in very cold conditions) because other grounds have not accommodated uni-sex change facilities. Please, let's support our girls as much as we support the boys!</p>	Noted	N
12	<p>Retaining access to football at all levels is very important to me as a resident of the area and someone who lives across the road from the park. In particular, Option 2 would severely limit this, and I think it is completely inappropriate to investing valuable land in hockey facilities at the expense of this option, particularly when there are already synthetic courts nearby at Curtin Uni.</p>	Noted	N
13	<p>Increasing diversity of activities should be the first priority. Design Option 1 appears to be best for this.</p>	Noted	N
14	<p>There are 2 world class synthetic hockey turf pitches located at the Curtin University which is only 2.5km from Higgins Park. The hockey club has other alternative options on where to play hockey in this area, however the Vic Park Raiders Junior Football Club do not, there are no other suitable facilities available to them in this area. Any option, other than option 3 is unfair and unjust. Displacing one sports club for another is just wrong.</p> <p>Not only that, the public would lose the ability to access and use this beautiful open green space that is Higgins Park. I may not be a resident of the Town of Victoria Park but I do use this park, I take my dogs walking there, I also walk with my friends and their children there too. No one I have spoken to in the community is in favour of either option 1 or 2 in this Master Plan.</p> <p>Please do not allow this to happen to the beautiful space that is Higgins Park.</p>	Noted	N
15	<p>I strongly oppose the addition of hockey turf to Higgins park as it significantly reduces the amount of accessible green space available to all members of the ToVP.</p>	Noted	N

16	<p>I am opposed in the strongest possible terms to the synthetic hockey pitch directly opposite my house. I believe it will decrease my quality of life, the value of my home, and my enjoyment of my property and neighbourhood. The large open community space at Higgins Park was a very attractive feature to me when purchasing my home. The fenced hockey pitch is no longer accessible public space by any reasonable definition. Additionally the proposed lighting and sound system will affect my young children sleeping - any lights will shine straight into our bedroom windows. I am disappointed that the council has proposed two options that will introduce this synthetic pitch. I hope council will weight strongly the feelings of direct neighbours to this complex. I don't think it's fair to introduce this, particularly when there are already nearby facilities that may be used (such as those at Curtin Uni that I drive by every day and are frequently empty.) Please, please do not pursue options 1 or 2.</p>	Noted	N
17	<p>Keeping the multiple use ovals retains the full capacity of the public open space for use by the community, the addition of even more fenced off and inaccessible space (as the Tennis Courts are already fenced) will restrict the community's use of the Park. I am very supportive of the road closures creating connection through to the primary school to make a safer environment smoother connection and more park space. Traffic calming measures on Hill View Terrace would also be very welcome to ensure safety on both sides of the park.</p>	Noted	N
18	<p>Grassed and accessible Public Open Space is a very scarce commodity. Due to the exclusive design of the hockey facilities this will exclude a great amount of people from using Higgins Park in an informal way. It was originally thought that the hockey facilities would be shared facility but they have made it painfully clear that they are not willing to share. It seems counterproductive to disrupt and possibly evict a functional highly organised very well run football and cricket clubs to house another club which the only reason they wish to leave their current premises is to have access to synthetic pitch. For the \$19 million it is going to cost to do that, the Town of Victoria Park could subsidise a lease of part of the Commonwealth Hockey Stadium with 3kms of this site for a great number of years and still have money to spare. With the downturn of income at Curtin University they would welcome the income from a new tennant. I would thought that would be a more cost effective use of rate payers money. Also has any negotiations taken place with the City of South Perth to see whether there is any scope to locate the hockey club at the newly planned Recreation Centre at Collier Park?. Perhaps adjacent to Como High School which is a Hockey Specialist School. they might love a synthetic pitch there?</p>	Noted	N

19	well, I am anti synthetic fields and fenced fields - when we need to retain our open spaces ... also, work in Government and understand that whilst shared facilities are good - its also important to use facilities already available - are there not hockey fields at Curtin??? two mins away	Noted	N
20	I am deeply opposed to a synthetic field with fenced enclosure on this field. I've lived on this precinct for over 20 years and this has been home to the local footy club, and even though I'm not in to sport I see the benefits of an open field with natural turf that various people use for dog walking, throwing a frizzbie, young kids learning the national sport etc. It's a community place, natural and ecologically important. This is now threatened by the notion of it being somewhat taken over by a sporting club that require a fenced in enclosure and synthetic turf is, put politely awful in every sense. I'm incensed.	Noted	N
21	Open green space should not be compromised. Residential impact re traffic, lighting and fencing is substantial and unnecessary. Removal of an existing community sporting group to suit another is unethical. Ratepayer funded, at a significant cost? Environmental concerns re removal of trees.	Noted	N
22	I STRONGLY OBJECT to one sporting code pushing another out. This is the home of the Raiders and have been an important part of my family for many years. I love that is it a park that ALL community loves and uses. NO TO SYNTHETIC TURF AND FENCED OFF AREAS!	Noted	N
24	Hockey has no place in this residential area. Go to Curtin. definitely not synthetic "turf"	Noted	N

25	<p>Why is the TOVP allowing ratepayers money to be potentially spent as a grant to commercialise a local hockey club? Thereby, precluding a broader majority of TOVP ratepayers and residents from accessing a public open space. There is enough evidence from within the TOVP and other councils that the general public majority do not support the further implementation of synthetic turfs at the expense of existing open space parkland. Also, there enough evidence from Melville Council to show that fiscal viability of synthetic tu4f is questionable and a strong potential of becoming a sinking asset and ongoing liability to TOVP ratepayers. Option 1 & 2 should not be considered. Also, the football club has an excellent record of multicultural inclusion and indeginous youth support. I don't believe the hockey club offers anywhere near the same as the football club.</p>	<p>Thanks for your comment. The intent of the masterplan is to guide the short and long term revitalisation of the site. Should this include a synthetic hockey turf, this would be the ToVP supporting the Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club, as it does many other clubs within the Town. The funding would not be a grant to the club, rather a combination of funding from a number of sources to achieve the masterplan design.</p>	N
27	<p>Our young family are frequent visitors to Higgins park and would not like to see a large portion of it fenced off with synthetic turf. Although we have no affiliation to the football club they have been there for 50 years.</p>	Noted	N
28	<p>PLA have an online tool showing the location of synthetic hockey pitches, and vic Park and South Perth are well catered for. Fencing off an area of Higgins park for the exclusive use of hockey is not supported. The free flow of Option 3 allows me to walk my dog on the oval, in between the formal sports that are using the oval during the week.</p>	Noted	N
29	<p>I don't believe the hockey field is needed at this park waste of money</p>	Noted	N
31	<p>I am quite against anything 'synthetic' taking over something natural. It is such a lovely space which we use for walking the dog, letting the kids run free and play, and my son plays football there. If you absolutely have to put something synthetic in there, then you should make up for it with lots of trees.</p>	Noted	N

32	I am appalled that the council is considering a synthetic hockey turf on Higgins Park given town planning has previously identified that it is not feasible. This space is already well utilised by the community. A synthetic hockey turf takes much valued green space away from an inner city community and gives it to one group for their exclusive use. It would be a terrible decision. It is time for the council to tell the hockey club that there is not space for their synthetic turf in our parks. The Town of Vic Park has already wasted enough time and money trying to appease one club at the expense of ratepayers and the wider community.	Noted	N
33	I like the idea of connecting the school to the park, increased play areas for kids (I don't have kids), facilities for families, reinvigorating the RSL space, maintaining as much green space as possible, and ensuring all trees are saved. Yes, all of them please!!! Keep the junior and senior footy, as I think they play there already. And all these activities can sit alongside dog walking and human exercise very happily, too.	Noted	N
34	The sports match the sports that my family play. It would be great to have access to local facilities that support skill development through their junior and senior levels.	Noted	N
35	To allow for greater community access option three is my strong choice. Freedom of movement and greater space for all locals and not just those involved in the clubs. Reduced noise pollution is also best achieved by option three.	Noted	N
37	The desires of one sporting team /code of which a high percentage are not even TOVP residents should not have such negative impacts on ratepayers and a sporting team which has been in the town for years. The hockey team can play at Curtin which is less than 2km away! We need to retain our green spaces for public access, for mental and physical health and to create a nice town	Noted	N
39	Options 1 & 2 impact significantly and negatively on the football club. Also the open space, removal of trees. The shared option is unrealistic, you can't have football that close to the road, the kids go over the border in hoot pursuit of the ball often! The club is a great community feature and development at detriment to them makes no sense. Splitting a club up across Vic park is really unfair! The plan makes it sound like the club can share with Hockey but it just doesn't work!	Noted	N
40	Maintaining open green space should be a priority in any suburb.	Noted	N

41	This is home for so many happy kids playing football. Don't take it away from them.	Noted	N
42	Junior football should not be disadvantaged	Noted	N
43	Keep the football oval	Noted	N
44	Y change something that isn't broken	Noted	N
46	Hockey is a great sport and should be played at Higgins as well as football	Noted	N
47	Not the right place for hockey. Go to the foreshore on the river!	Noted	N
48	As a local community member within walking distance of this facility we have utilised this space for many years (both before and after having children). The current open play allows enjoyment by everyone in the community for sport, exercise, dog walking, kids play etc. This space is always well utilised throughout the day. Installation of a synthetic hockey field for a small proportion of the community would be detrimental to the wider community as well as the football/cricket club who tend to require most of the area for training and games. The open space means that even on game/training days other users can still use the park. The proposal to install a synthetic turf would compress the space and serve only a few. Option 3 is the best outcome for the community as a whole.	Noted	N
49	The football club complains that the area is not large enough for them thus, investigation could be made to relocate to Harold Rossiter Reserve where they would have more space. the hockey club also has a seniors program and thus, retains players from juniors to stay within the community as they become older. the football club does not have seniors and thus, loses membership once their juniors become too old. the hockey club representing the town is currently based outside the town of Vic Park (in Carlisle). Football teams also have much larger numbers of members etc. and this completely overwhelms the parking at the oval. Hockey has less players per team and thus, there would be less cars parking at the space even if all 3 potential hockey fields were in usage.	Noted	N

50	Free open space is useful for many purposes and by more community members. There are not enough open spaces as it is. Do not over develop this parkland!	Noted	N
51	Higgins Park is the home of the Vic Park Raiders Junior Football Club and the home of grass roots footy in our community. Hundreds of families in the town of Victoria Park are members of the club and our children enjoy these grounds 7 days a week - between my 2 kids we are at Higgins Park at least 5 days a week with a footy in hand. Options 1 & 2 would see a huge reduction in our already limited space or the complete destruction of our kids footy club. Higgins Park is also a large public open space that can be used by other members of the community for exercise, dog walking and play. Choosing option 3 allows this to continue in a shared way with the footy club.	Noted	N
52	I disagree with football and the Raiders Club having no designated playing space in Victoria Park. The loss of open green space for a fenced synthetic hockey turf is environmentally and socially unacceptable.	Noted	N
53	A large fenced synthetic hockey field seems detrimental to the ideals of public open space, especially for a sport that does not run for a full year. Option 2 in particular seems to hurt the existing sports using the field, and local residents surrounding the park. I can only see that option causing resentment and discord between groups of people which seems the opposite of what a project like this should create. can the town not negotiate use of existing synthetic turf in the ToVP...surely in this time we should be able to maximise the use of such facilities rather than build more. I opposed the hockey pitch at HR reserve for the same reason...surely there are better options?	Noted	N
54	Football space for football teams - keeping the green space open.	Noted	N
55	We moved to this area for the green spaces available to our children. These spaces are crucial for children's play, community gatherings and overall mental health and well-being - which has become even more evident during Covid where large group fitness activities were restricted but individual daily exercise permitted.... which we achieved because of this incredible green space. Let's show the younger generation that we are leaving them green spaces to inherit... once destroyed we can't go back 😞please do the right thing by the people and children in this community 🌳🌳🌳	Noted	N

56	<p>I regularly visit the park and kick and play football with my kids .</p> <p>With locked up hockey turf I will not be able to do this.</p>	Noted	N
57	<p>Because the hockey club will interrupt the football club who has been with higgins park for years and the hockey club just tries to take it from the raiders</p>	Noted	N
58	<p>Our extended family live in the area and we all enjoy the wide green open space. Fenced sport specific synthetic areas are ugly and not conducive to whole community enjoyment of a public area.</p>	Noted	N
59	<p>Options 1 & 2, by fencing a synthetic field, reduces public access to space that is currently available to the public - NO THANKS.</p> <p>Option 2 removes football. ToVP does not state how it will provide a suitable alternative. Critical information to allow a fully considered decision. This should not be a zero sum game. One (very popular) sport should not have to lose to the benefit another sport! That is very poor action by ToVP. So Option 2 - NO WAY, NO THANKS.</p>	Noted	N
60	<p>I am completely opposed to installing a synthetic pitch and reducing access to POS for local residents - particularly given increasing population density forecast over the next 50 years. This is also an absolute waste of money when the hockey club is already being accommodated at other facilities - why not give them financial support to continue to use them, surely this is cheaper and more environmentally responsible. There is an abundance of synthetic hockey pitches in the area with the Hockey WA facilities (a very large site that does not appear to be well utilised and has massive parking areas) close by. If these pitches can accommodate the existing clubs, building more facilities is a complete waste. Priority should also be given to retaining existing junior sports clubs unless there is a compelling reason why another club has a higher priority (in this case, there is not). If the Town cannot provide a suitable option to fully house the footy club, it would be highly inappropriate to move them.</p>	Noted	N
61	<p>Option three seems a lot more inclusive for the local area as well as being a smarter cost decision</p>	Noted	N

62	I do not want to see junior footy sacrificed for synthetic turfed hockey. I also see Higgins Park as a publicly available space, and a gated, fenced hockey pitch does not align with something being publicly available.	Noted	N
63	I believe the community will benefit from having a diverse range of sports on offer at this park.	Noted	N
64	The development of a hockey field will have a huge impact on the community. In the current situation whilst there is no football matches being played the area can be used for alternative recreation such as dog exercise, adult exercise, children play etc. With a hockey field the area will be exclusive for hockey use only. This is not in line with the community values. Also the loss of mature trees is very concerning as the endangered Carnaby's black cockatoo frequent the area. Building a hockey field at Higgins Park will have a huge effect on community well being which should be high on the Town's priorities.	Noted	N
65	I've been a local resident for just under 15 years and we often visit Higgins park. We love the space the oval provides and would be deeply disappointed if the oval was to change form. We noticed especially during the COVID-19 lockdown earlier in the year, just how much locals used this space. People were sitting on the oval reading, families were playing different sporting games, there were the dog walkers, the lone walkers and runners all filling up this beautiful open space. If you took even part of that away for a hockey oval it would be detrimental to the local community. Please don't allow this to happen.	Noted	N
66	I believe everything should stay the way it is and don't change what is not broken. This change is deviding the community and you have other oval in the area for hockey and other facilities.	Noted	N
67	Options chosen encourage a sporting 'hub' with shared facilities as well as maintaining open green space, facilities for families (playground etc). Safer access and multi use with the open space adjacent to Millen Primary School (with closure of Playfield Street). Trees are retained and the planting of new trees (according to the Masterplan).	Noted	N

68	Fenced synthetic turf removes space from an otherwise well used, multifunctional POS. As a fitness user, dog walker, children playing, football club user and tennis club user - I see this space currently well at capacity throughout the year. Removing space that can only be used by one type of sport just doesn't make sense or seem fair.	Noted	N
70	Vic Park needs a hockey turf - a massive club with huge community support.	Noted	N
71	Introduction of a synthetic hockey pitch reduces the multiple use open space within the site. The synthetic hockey pitch area would be beneficial a single stakeholder group only and disadvantage the remaining stakeholders. As the synthetic hockey pitch is limited in its use to one activity only, namely hockey, this would limit the overall benefit provided by the site to the remaining stakeholders. In my opinion this is an unacceptable social costs associated with both Option 1 and Option 2, in addition to the social costs there is also the higher estimated financial cost associated with Options 1 and 2. This leads me to recommend Option 3; highlighting the lower financial costs associated with the upgrade and the higher social benefits for the stakeholders as a whole.	Noted	N
72	I am totally against adding synthetic / concrete hockey field. Keep as much open space as possible for the community	Noted	N
73	Synthetic turf is unacceptable for any surface. The increased ambient temperature due to the heat coming from the synthetic turf in the summer will be unbearable for residents. There are hockey pitches at Curtain Uni already. There are designated "sporting" areas at Centenary Park which would make more sense for the Hockey proposal. Synthetic turf in a residential area is nonsense.	Noted	N
74	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * The existing under used Hockey Stadium at Curtin within the Town Boundary, with today's technology could be easily rostered for all hockey teams. *Hockey tends to be an 'exclusive' sport compared to Football, Cricket and Tennis and a 'fenced' pitch would be a total eyesore compared to the open space we have now. *There are under utilised spaces within the Town at McCallum Park/Taylor Reserve & Raphael Park which can be used. *I think the costs of these projects coming from ratepayer funds are exhorbitant. *Don't fix what isn't broken 	Noted	N

75	Environmental opposed to any opened public areas converted to restricted access synthetic turf. We have drastically diminishing open public spaces in the communities why would you want to replace an open space with synthetic. The first two options do not allow for the open access to continue. The hockey synthetic surface courts will ensure the clubs and public that utilise the oval already will be restricted. This is not good enough and frankly reflects a very elitist attitude. What is to be done with the grass roots sport access you are going to deny the children if you go with option 1 or 2. The existing clubs will not be able to continue or will have greatly reduced capacity. National priorities are to keep kids active, lower obesity rates. Options that restrict public and current access levels should not be considered. Put the money toward improvements to existing facilities and support the existing clubs in the great job they are doing already.	Noted	N
76	Great community sports/ footy club why would u want to change it.	Noted	N
77	I believe that it would be good to have the hockey field as it would be good for vic park because they are the only top level hockey club without a turf ground	Noted	N
78	Football & cricket are still very male dominated sports so to choose Option 3 that does not include a more gender-balanced sport (ie. hockey) means that this option favours males and excludes females from the facility. My highest preference is for option 1 which provides facilities for the most variety of sports, followed by Option 2 which at least includes a sport that is played more equally by both males & females.	Noted	N
79	The space should be for a number of groups, not one specialised, fenced off club	Noted	N

80	<p>We as a family of four with two children, have lived in the East Victoria Park Area since 2005, strongly support option 3. We have been VPRJFC for about 5 years and use the Higgins Park facility, not only a sporting venue, but use it as a hub in our community. This where where each member of our family not only exercises but we each have built life time relationships throughout the community. It would be a shame to see the football precinct reduced or divided over a couple of venues, in our opinion, it should be expanded to make the facilities better with a focus on the football family and community.</p> <p>Please don't hesitate to contact me directly on 0429 086 455 for further clarity around our families preferred option.</p> <p>Thanks again for the opportunity to hear our families input on future developments at Higgins Park.</p>	Noted	N
81	<p>I am involved in football and want to keep footy there like it has been for the last 70 years. I want to protect the open space of Higgins Park for nearby residences and keep the park for walking dogs etc as there is not much open space left.</p> <p>I want to keep all the raiders club in one location as well as we need to keep the club going. It is the life of the local community and would bring a lot of depression and loss to the kids if taken away</p>	Noted	N
82	<p>I believe that the space can and should be shared by all members of the community regardless of the sport they play. Accommodating all sports should be the priority</p>	Noted	N
84	<p>Losing the AFL field for a hockey field is crazy. There is no hockey footprint currently, how can it displace AFL fields. Very disappointing option.</p>	Noted	N
85	<p>I believe that community clubs should not be displaced.</p>	Noted	N
86	<p>My son has played footy here for the last 5 years and hopes to continue to. The hockey fields will have a negative impact on my son and his teams ability to continue playing footy here. Why displace one sport for another?!</p>	Noted	N
87	<p>My son attended and fully used Vic Park Raiders premises growing up. I was there two to three times a week as a Team Manager and walking my dog.</p> <p>There is already a major hockey stadium at Curtin Uni, I want the footy to continue growing not get pushed out.</p>	Noted	N

88	Fair for everyone. Just not supporting hockey or football. Would have a great community feel.	Noted	N
89	The footy club and local community are extensive users of this space. Any addition of a hockey turf will increase noise, create a space that is restricted access and reduce the area available to the community.	Noted	N
90	<p>As a member of the Vic Park community and a resident living across from Higgins Park, I have several serious concerns about options one and two in the master plan. These include environmental outcomes, space limitations and broad community impact.</p> <p>Maintaining green spaces is imperative to offsetting climate impacts in suburban areas. Synthetic turf will increase local temperatures through heat radiation and solar reflection. While simultaneously breaking down and leaching microplastics in to ground water reserves.</p> <p>There is also extensive bird life in higgins park, including red-tailed black cockatoos and Carnaby cockatoos, who are vulnerable and endangered respectively. These birds feed on the seeds, bugs and insects in grassed areas. Replacing this with synthetic material will reduce the viability of Higgins Park as a feeding and resting place.</p> <p>Furthermore, restricting public access to a portion of the park will drastically limit the space available for physical and leisure activities. The park is a place where the community can come to excersize and connect with nature which are both vital in maintaing well-being.</p> <p>Lastly, it is morally incomprehensible to displace the Raiders football club, with a bianle alternative, who have been using this space for decades.</p>	Noted. Thanks for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N

92	My children have been members of the Vic Park Raiders Football club since pre-primary and they are now in high school. I feel that there is a strong sense of community at the club and would hate to see our club lose it's home or have to separate into different areas in order to play football. We are one club and need to feel like one club by staying together at the one place. Please don't let us lose our identity and risk the result of losing kids to the club and not playing sport, it is important for them to keep active and share in the experience of being part of something bigger.	Noted	N
93	A synthetic pitch should not be developed on any of our current green open spaces. It is exclusive and serves a very small number of people while disadvantaging many, many rate payers. I am wholly against fencing off areas of green space for the use of particular sporting groups. Our green spaces can be monopolised by sport clubs at times, that's absolutely fine. But at other times they should be open for people to walk, children to play, families to picnic, events to be held and dogs to run. Regardless of whether there are 'other' places to do this. We need to hold on to our remaining open green spaces for dear life.	Noted	N
94	Options one and two generally impact severely on the parks long standing use as a home to the football club and limit large sections to a single use pitch, which doesn't actually require green space (ie could be built repurposing an industrial or commercial area).	Noted	N
95	The vic park raiders has been apart of our family for many years and the oval is a regular place we visit an love.	Noted	N
97	There are enough other hockey fields. Preserve mature trees. I don't like synthetic turf	Noted	N
98	Higgins park should be retained for junior football. By all accounts there is enough turf ovals in near by. Natural scape should be retained for residents, animals , and environment in lite of climate change.	Noted	N
99	Higgins park is The Raiders home ground and is a vital community hub. Any option which impinges on the use of the ground for football would mean relocating the club which would be unfair and unreasonable.	Noted	N
100	A hockey turf would not take up much room and Vic park hockey is a big club which has been trying to get turf for years to support there younger players coming through the ranks. It would be great for the community to be able to have a turf and footy oval in the same location.	Noted	N

101	Town of Vic Park should be supporting grass roots football. The Vic Park Raiders has been around for a long time and it is unfair to uproot a community sporting group because a Hockey club wants a Turf. I have children who have played for the Raiders at Higgins Park and Vic Park Xavier Hockey club at Fletcher Park. I understand that it would nice for Hockey to have their own Turf however not at the expense of another community sporting group. The space is too small for both and Hockey need to look at other options.	Noted	N
102	Option 3 is my preferred choice as is retains the ovals for the Vic Park Raiders JFC which has been a long standing part of the community & it also retains the maximum amount of grassed area for the general public to use.	Noted	N
104	We need to preserve our limited public open space. It is not fair on residents nearby to lose their park or views and the parkland amenity to suit the needs of a few hockey players. The benefits of adding a hockey turf only benefits a few hockey players and not the wider community. Not a good use of ratepayer dollars.	Noted	N
106	Higgins park has been a home to the raiders and a great area of free space for a long time. Both options one and two will disregard that and eventually remove the raiders club altogether. There is no point removing a grass-root organisation for the benefit of another one.	Noted	N
107	Too many parks are being carved up. Loss of A well established footy oval/club for a new hockey court that can go to a better location is not acceptable	Noted	N
108	because I support football and this is the best footy outcome	Noted	N
109	Football has huge space and finance spent on it in Lathlain. Hockey has had no space and huge numbers.	Noted	N
110	Higgins park is a staple of the area and so is the footy club there	Noted	N
111	Because I think option 3 would work best for the community that uses this oval	Noted	N
113	For years I have taken my grand children to train with the Raiders Junior Football Club at Higgins Park & play there on Saturdays. It has always been a safe location with a pleasant amenity. I would not like to see it compromised for junior football	Noted	N

114	The vast open space of Higgins park is one of the major draws of the area. Sectioning this off for Hockey fields is unnecessary and will ruin the space. I am opposed to forcing the Football club to find alternative space, or to put pressure on Millen Primary School to provide space when they have issues of their own regarding room for the growth occurring in the local area.	Noted	N
117	It's so embarrassing having other clubs coming to Higgins park considering how well maintained their facilities are (south perth/manning/Belmont/kenwick/Thornlie etc) hockey can take space somewhere else, not existing club space. Council should put more funds into make the club rooms/playground and toilets better for our community.	Noted	N
118	Vic Park Raiders is a HUGE club and there is no suitable location for the club to stay at one location.	Noted	N
119	Allowance for multiple sports	Noted	N
120	I'm opposed to open and accessible green space being closed off for a synthetic hockey turf that is no longer environmentally friendly. I'm also opposed to town land being given to a specific sporting club in this way (ie making town land only useable by a specific sporting club).	Noted	N
121	I use Higgins Park for recreation and relaxation. I appreciate the green spaces, the native plants and trees and birds, facilities and the open shared community space. I believe that improving upon the facilities there rather than completely changing them would best suit the community that uses this park	Noted	N
122	I cannot understand why anyone would want to put in hockey fields that no one else can use but hockey. Cant say I am happy at all with this.	Noted	N
123	I want to retain the mature trees, parking and free public access	Noted	N
125	There's curtin stadium/hockey fields only a few kms away. It's my belief that there are already plenty of synthetic turf hockey facilities in the area. On Saturdays and Sundays the existing oval arrangement are generally fully utilised. Option 2 turns the Raiders football club into a displaced community group which is just plain cruel.	Noted	N

126	I feel there is adequate synthetic courts less than 5km away. Why would you replace grass that produces oxygen with synthetic turf?	Noted	N
129	I am a member of Vic park raiders footy club and don't want to lose our facilities. This club cares for kids and footy and are a wonderful group of people who care for families.	Noted	N
130	Because my daughter & nephew play for vic park raidersFC , my husband played for the club along with his father when the club was known as the centrals. The area could do with a better playground & public toilets & the access to some side roads changed but ultimately I think the area should remain a public outdoor exercise area for local families their children & pets as well as the sole playing ground for the Vic Park Raiders.	Noted	N
131	There is limited space at the moment for AFL as it is, having hockey fields would further degrade the football facilities. Also, the reduction in public open space with fenced hockey fields would be an eyesore, plus would not add any value to the local community's use of the Park.	Noted	N
132	Because access to parks should be free for everyone to enjoy.	Noted	N
134	<p>I'm a local resident of 5yrs with three young children - with my eldest attending Millen PS. Our family values the uninterrupted open space of the park in its current form - its a wonderful resource for the community. The current sporting use of the park has no significant visual impact when the park isn't in use and the sense of space you feel across the park is somewhat unique in an inner metro council. As such I strongly support Option 3.</p> <p>Our eldest son has recently (this year) joined the Vic Park Raiders Club, and my wife and I come from the UK and have not been close to a JFC before, and we have been amazed by the sense of community that is created at the park on a Saturday and Sunday. I strongly believe that its spaces such as Higgins Park and clubs like the Raiders that are what local residents love about living and raising a family in the Town.</p> <p>On balance across the Options presented, I believe that Option 3 with the open space being preserved with no significant visual impact of a fenced facility being provided (as per Options 1 & 2) and allowing the established and successful JFC to continue to operate from its home - will be of greatest long term benefit to the local community.</p>	Noted. Thanks for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N

136	500 plus children need to retain their home of football that has years of history and helps our community keep our kids active. Plus the green space is something all our community enjoy and share.	Noted	N
140	It's clear that the hockey club need a turf to remain competitive and to help grow the juniors. The football club have also indicated they have outgrown higgins park. It makes sense to relocate the football club to somewhere more suitable, like Harold rossiter and to bring in the hockey club to a park that can accommodate their needs.	Noted	N
141	I regularly use the park to exercise and walk my dog. The size of the park allows for me to be alone when I want to be, but we also have a good network of locals to interact with when I am feeling more social. This is one of the great public open spaces in the town and I'd hate to lose it. There are ample hockey facilities located in Bentley at Curtin and in Carlisle at Fletcher Park. The football club also brings great value to the community.	Noted	N
142	Save the trees :) and open green space	Noted	N
146	Options 1 or 2 mean the demise of a successful junior sporting club. The hockey club have other alternatives, the footy club do not.	Noted	N
147	Interesting that you only ask for further info in this part! No further hockey facilities are needed in the town and to displace the Vic Park Raiders is a shameful quest of the council. Community oppose it and it is not needed. Develop and encourage the club that is already there. Why should we the residents pay for the development of something we won't be able to use?	Noted	N
148	One code should not be displaced for another.	Noted	N
149	Please leave the playing fields at Higgins Park as they are. There isn't enough open green areas.	Noted	N
151	My boys have been part of Raiders Footy Club for years & would like no change to our already awesome sporting venue.	Noted	N
154	I don't believe a sport should be displaced by another sport. Especially an established and strong club with 22 teams filled with rate paying and voting constituents	Noted	N

155	I can't support Option 2 in any way as you will be displacing the football entirely, which is grossly unfair and almost negligent as a council - who are chosen to be REPRESENTATIVES for the community - and shouldn't be pitting sporting codes against each other like this.	Noted	N
156	I do not want to lose my ability to freely access precious public open space and parkland OR see the relocation and weakening of your local football club who has called Higgins Park home for 70 years for an unsubstantiated, unjustified expensive limited shared use fenced synthetic hockey facility.	Noted	N
157	Option 3 is the only option that allows for continuation of current sports and community usage and least environmental and residential impact. Other options creates more problems to community, residents and environment. The feasibility study has been ignored as well as concerns from current clubs and residents, so I'm quite confused as to why this is even been put forward! The other issue I'm confused by is that there are already a few synthetic turfs nearby?	Noted	N
159	It has already been shown that Hockey is not suited to the space, they 're existing facilities are already under utilised and they cannot afford what they have. Seems council have their own agenda regardless of the sound advice given about leaving it as a footy precinct.	Noted	N
160	I strongly oppose the development of a synthetic turf as it takes away public open space from the local residents. The turf will mainly be used in winter and during summer it will not be used for the majority of the time, severely impacting the area for local residents who DO NOT play hockey to use. The football club who has more local residents and also used the oval in partnership with the community for many years will also be disbanded or severely impacted.	Noted	N
161	Strongly opposed to synthetic turf as it will severely impact local residents who do not play hockey as the local space that the Town of Victoria Park constantly speaks about will be heavily reduced. Keep the green open space as once its gone ITS GONE forever. NO TURF!!! It will also severely impact the local KIDS football club who have used the park positively and harmoniously for many many year with the local community. I live across the road and really like being able to walk around the oval with my children and watch the local teams play. ToVP has stated that they have NO WHERE for them to go.	Noted	N
162	I am totally opposed to the use of synthetic turf in a public space	Noted	N

163	Public space is important for the local community and should not be destroyed for the development of a synthetic turf. Grassroots footy is vital for community engagement and kids health and well being.	Noted	N
166	I strongly object to a fenced hockey field which prohibits use by the rest of the community and the fact there is a under utilised synthetic hockey field approx. one kilometre way at Curtin.	Noted	N
167	The footy club is vital to local kids. The Raiders Vic Park club has a long history of bringing community together for a healthy sport and hockey already has a home and other turf/alternative options, as well as the adverse bright lighting and noise associated with games that will impact residents neighbouring Higgins Park. It is totally unfeasible for the ovals to have NO space or reduced space for our beloved and important football. Please don't take this away from our kids and families. We need it. It serves the community in so many positive ways.	Noted	N
168	The environment shouldn't an obstacle to just bulldoze when it doesn't suit the plans.	Noted	N
169	There are already so many football fields around. Young kids need a go with Hockey	Noted	N
170	Vic Park Hockey Club needs a turf pitch to match all oher clubs in Perth and also maintain club numbers. Previous attempt at Kent Street did not go thru. I feel that the hockey club is an amazing club with many many junior and senior players. We should be promoting exercise and community engagement. I feel a shared facility for both hockey and football is best option.	Noted	N
171	The footy club can move to Harold Rossiter Park where the hockey can not. They will have more room there. Vpxhc is a family club and shouldn't have to use the State hockey centre where we don't have our own club rooms there.	Noted	N
172	The football can move to Harold Rossiter where they will have more room and maybe use Kent street HS playing fields too. Hockey can use Harold Rossiter. The big children playground is needed as only little one are currently in the area.	Noted	N

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177	There is no room or support for hockey.	Noted	N
178	My Grandson has played all of his Footy here and I don't want it changed.	Noted	N
179	I believe Higgins should be a family area, having a bigger playground for the kids would be amazing and it will attract more families to come down and play. I personally like the second option in this regard as well as having the most trees it has the largest play area which cannot happen in the other options. This will also allow hockey to come to Higgins and allow for a better community for the hockey club due to the current division between turf and grass teams due to not playing at the same grounds and therefore not having a drink after the game together. By having hockey at Higgins it will allow for more use in general due to all level trainings but it will also allow for more opportunities for our youngest to have a go on the turf and get to enjoy more of hockey then they currently can due to being restricted to grass. I like how the second option also has way more trees then the other options which is better for the environment. The synthetic turf doesn't take up the much space and there are still lots of areas to run around in for the kids and dogs.	Noted	N
180	I believe its unfair and unnecessary to move a club that has had the grounds for so long just so another sport, which will only use the space for half the year, can have a new home ground. The fact that they are willing to cut another teams grounds just because they are unhappy with their current grounds is unreasonable and quite frankly selfish.	Noted	N
181	There's no need for Hockey in Higgins Park. This is valued and much loved public open space, and its current utilisation by an inclusive sport like football allows public enjoyment of the area in ways in which hockey pitches would not.	Noted	N
182	I don't like the proposed plan for a synthetic turf that will be fenced. It limits the public open space available for passive recreation for the whole community and I am concerned about the use of 'synthetic turf' on the environment- insects, birds etc.	Noted	N

183	<p>* The beautiful old trees must be retained</p> <p>*If artificial turf and hockey areas were allowed what would happen to the displaced football club which has been there for more than 70Years?</p> <p>*What access would the general public have if hockey dominated?</p> <p>*How many hockey players actually live in Vic Park and contribute to the rates?</p> <p>*I strongly oppose any club having the majority say in any park in Vic Park.</p>	Noted	N
184	I want to support our local footy club. The hockey club has grounds at Curtin university. This footy club has been running for 70 years and I would like to see our kids go there one day.	Noted	N
185	The football club is already split in two with senior games in Carlisle, already not enough room for just football So Why put another sport there as well	Noted	N
187	Having a fully fenced synthetic hockey field at Higgins Park would limited the area for use of whole community to only hockey players that are members of a club. The night lights would not only disturb the surround resident it will Disrupt The bird life and the fencing will spoil the open green space.. Hockey already has a synthetic field at Curtin Uni so how can it be justified to kick a junior football club from their home ground with no grounds in the area for them to play at.	Noted	N
188	Higgins is perfect the way it is - simple and spacious. Most importantly, accessible to all	Noted	N
190	The Perth Hockey Stadium is over crowded and for a strongly developing club a new home base is needed. The two premier league teams are playing in finals this year which will also liken the clubs movement in numbers. Hockey is an equal opportunity sport where everyone has the opportunity to participate or be included. I don't know where I would be without this club. We are not asking you to remove the access to other sports, merely increase the access for more sports to be included. Please have this consideration. You have the opportunity the grant a growing club with a great resource we can't get anywhere else. Community sport and development is a huge part of the community, we would love to show you the impact our club has on many people. Thank you.	Noted	N
191	What a great opportunity to allow young children access to great facilities to grow local sport!!!	Noted	N

192	I believe the inclusion of a fenced off hockey field is not inclusive to all of the locals. It makes less space for children playing after school, dog walkers and involves in taking down mature trees.	Noted	N
193	Option 3 retains maximum accessible open green space and does not displace existing sporting clubs.	Noted	N
194	Maintaining the current open space/trees and supporting the full functioning of the well established Football club are ESSENTIAL. I am a regular user of the current grounds, in a fitness capacity - 2-3 times per week. Given the number of and excellent quality of hockey facilities with 10 mins of this location, I do not support disturbance of this site for another hockey facility. I can think of the Curtin facilities and WASPS facility near the zoo in South Perth as a start. We can't keep bowling over our green space around here and filling it with infrastructure. Keeping it open and basic is just fine! I see people ALL THE TIME from 5:30/6am using the open space to welcome the day, walk dogs etc. And again throughout the day. The needs of one limited hockey club can't replace the far reaching needs of so many members and pets in the community.	Noted	N
195	I don't mind another hockey pitch. However, I don't see the point in having two hockey pitches. No real explanation of that in light of the fact that Curtin Stadium has some pretty good facilities. I like the greenery so I can't see the point in adding a stadium. Some information could be presented about the need for a hockey club? I don't play football, cricket, or hockey but I do walk around the area.	Noted	N
196	There is already adequate provision for hockey in the area. The impact on existing football would be too great with options 1 and 2. Higgins Park as a freely accessible recreation and sporting space is one of the reasons we bought our house. The increase in traffic, noise and light pollution is not appealing in options 1 and 2.	Noted	N
197	Option 3 is basically an upgrade of existing facilities. I don't think Vic Park Raiders should be disadvantaged by the upgrade. However, I like the idea of the exercise equipment and additional facilities at Playfield outlined in Option 2. Option 1 is somewhat of a compromise giving both the Hockey club and Footy club a bit of what they want but does this really give either of them a workable solution?	Noted	N

198	<p>I play hockey at Vic Patk and my son plays footy at Higgins and I also coach his team. Being both winter sports I don't see how both will survive in this area. It would be nice to know what the options are for the disadvantaged. The space at Higgins's is great for the footy club. The hockey needs a turf or they will die eventually. It's a hard one! My suggestion would be to have done the master plan properly from start and believe that all club rooms could be a single venue tennis, footy, croquet, hockey and rsl. Moving the rsl would benefit all. It would integrate the Anzac spirit with the youth and get people engaged. Maybe even get a young person hearing a digger story or two. This also means the junior footy club have access to a bar for functions and will allow them to make some more cash. The hockey turf could then be placed on the upper side of the field and the footy can stay. Everyone will then be together in the same club and their might be some community harmony by all working together. I have seen this else where. The club rooms and bar are in the middle or to the side and can view all playing areas of multiple sports and it works well. Extending the tennis club to the left and right, integrating rsl and making the memorial front and centre and exclusive (no one sees it at the moment) and having hockey and footy on either side is a winner for all!</p>	Noted. Thanks for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N
200	<p>Playfield street needs to be retained as a through Street, any changes or traffic calming to Playfield Street would result in traffic being forced onto other quieter side road such as Westmorland Street.</p> <p>The area between the RSL and the tennis club could be a combination of tourists seating an exercise area to provide opportunities for parents to watch the children play tennis and allow space to exercise and view over the park.</p> <p>I like the idea of a multi sport area to the north Higgins Park however are concerned the there is no provision for a hit up all which is currently provided for tennis players. It would be great also to see potential for paddle tennis court in this area.</p> <p>The main area of Higgins Park where the football over is needs to be retained, in it's current open space configuration. I am strongly opposed to synthetic turf in this area as it will restrict the availability of open space for casual community use. There are many hockey facilities in the vicinity of Higgins Park with more being planned around South Perth. We need to protect unlimited free informal open space that we have at this precious Park.</p>	Noted	N
202	Just love this place	Noted	N

203	I strongly oppose the synthetic hockey turf options. Vic park already has very limited openly accessible green space. World class synthetic hockey facilities exist at Curtin (within ToVP boundary). I have not seen a convincing justification why a separate synthetic hockey facility is either needed or justified. Especially given this would be at the expense of AFL which has been present since 2006/7 when we moved to the area. I would like to see ToVP work with Curtin to expand facilities there or across the road in Technology Park.	Noted	N
204	Options 1 and 2 are unacceptable, and unfeasible. They would completely destroy the VFC. I cannot understand how our local council can consider, as I see it, obliterating one sporting club in favour of another. It really beggars belief.	Noted	N
205	With regards to road closures I would be concerned if additional traffic increases into Devenish Street. I trust this has been included in the master plan concept. Additionally I believe that the integration of Hockey is not compatible and would thrust unnecessary competition against each code. The current interaction of football (winter) & cricket (summer) remains the optimal outcome.	Thank you for your comments. The traffic impacts of the preferred option will be investigated in more detail during the Design Development stage.	N - considered in Design Development
207	All ratepayers should be able to access common space. No fence restrictions or turf.	Noted	N
208	There should be no fencing to stop people walking and playing in fresh air and fresh grass.	Noted	N
210	I feel that this would impact on the ability to have football games continue as they have been	Noted	N
211	No turf.	Noted	N

213	<p>Vic Park Hockey Club has been fundraising and actively looking for a site within the local town for an artificial turf for 18 years. It is a thriving family club, with generations of members from aged 3 to 83. It is a club the Town of Vic Park should be proud of. Two members of the current Australian Women's Hockey Squad of 27 are home-grown members of this club - not many clubs in Australia can boast such a thing. This is a testament to the quality of the coaching and administration of the club. Young athletes of this calibre do not stay at a club if it is not running a programme of the highest quality. The administrators of this club continue to be people of the highest integrity. A club such as this deserves to be supported by the Town and to have a home base where it can continue to grow and provide sporting activity for all levels and ages, including the Olympic level.</p> <p>The modern game is on artificial turf and it is long past the time the club has its own, ideally accompanied by grass fields and club house so that all ages can based at the same ground. If the club is not allocated land within the Town, then it will be forced to move elsewhere and change its name and the Vic Park Xavier Hockey Club will cease to exist. That would be such a shame for the club and the community.</p> <p>We have recently lived in The Netherlands for 2.5 years, a country one third the size of Tasmania which has over 900 turfs. A club with the membership of Vic Park would have at least 4 turfs if it were based in The Netherlands. Sure, they are a wealthy country with a rich sporting heritage - but so are we!</p> <p>The argument that Perth Hockey Stadium is located close by, so therefore a turf is not needed, is only offered by those who are ignorant to the workings of the sport in Perth. Despite a new turf being opened recently at Cockburn (Fremantle Hockey Club), demand for turf time for trainings and games still far outweighs the number of time-slots available.</p> <p>WA has been fortunate during the corona virus crisis, but what has hit home in other countries is the importance that the overall health of the population plays in such situations. Government support for appropriate facilities for thriving, active sports clubs seems to me to be more important than ever in these times.</p> <p>Many thanks</p>	Noted. Thanks for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N
214	No fencing.	Noted	N
215	I prefer a holistic generalised approach. Turf is very exclusive and is only suitable for hockey whereas the other options are multi use	Noted	N

216	A fenced synthetic hockey turf would reduce the limited green space in the area, it would exclude the established sporting teams utilising this park. The removal of more trees from the town would be environmental vandalism (as would installing synthetic turfs). There are a greater amount of local park users who currently utilise the whole of Higgins Park than hockey players who already have synthetic fields close by at Curtin University. Consultants to the council have already advised the hockey fields options are not suitable. It is clear the local residents and park users do not want to lose further open green space not mature trees to suit one small sporting club.	Noted	N
217	No turf.	Noted	N
218	Getting a hockey turf would be extremely valuable to our club and to me. As a elite athlete it would benefit training whilst also bringing together a huge community.	Noted	N
219	I love my green space and someone needs to speak for the dogs	Noted	N
220	The massive Victoria Park hockey club needs/essential to have an artificial turf and this seems the best option ... the need was recognised many years and it is way past time that council assisted with a viable place	Noted	N
221	I'd like there to be an option for the Town of Vic Park to host a turf and hockey pitches.	Noted	N
222	VPX hockey club are one of the largest sporting clubs in the town of VP, they are also one of the largest hockey clubs in the state. After 18 years of lobbying to have modern playing fields and facilities that will support the ongoing success of the club, the town of VP I believe are bound to provide such facilities. Providing facilities at Higgins park will leave fletcher park available to other smaller sporting clubs to utilise. Whilst I support vic park raiders I believe they can either share Higgins park or utilise other grounds close by.	Noted	N
223	The massive Victoria Park hockey club needs/essential to have an artificial turf and this seems the best option ... the need was recognised many years ago and it is way past time that council assisted with a viable place	Noted	N

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228	<p>I use this area often for walking and general exercise. It has a fantastic community and inclusive feel with its open design. I believe this feel would be ruined by a fenced hockey field and associated infrastructure. I hope that this is a genuine consultation by the council and the response from the community will play a major part in the decision making process.</p>	Noted	N
229	<p>Hockey is an extremely popular sport in Australia and there's a lack of good facilities in comparison to countries like the UK where there is an abundance of astro turf facilities. The number of people coming and going vs football would be the same due to similarly timed games and number of players so would be no ill impact on the community that I can see.</p>	Noted	N
230	<p>Vic Park Panthers Hockey club is a large, inclusive community focused club and needs an artificial hockey turf to maintain its standing as one of the top hockey clubs in Australia. It produces national and international players and coaches as well as catering for people of all ages (6 to 80!), genders, races and abilities. Hockey is now mostly played on artificial turfs, with only a handful of masters and social grades playing on natural grass. Panthers is one of only two top level clubs in Perth without an artificial turf, meaning that most home games are not played at the club, creating higher costs and having a detrimental affect on the club atmosphere. Panthers would also like junior football to receive upgraded facilities at the same location or another nearby venue that suits their size and needs.</p>	Noted	N

232	Vic Park Panthers Hockey Club is a large community club in Vic Park. It is especially important to hockey in WA and Australia. It is an inclusive, community focused club with many members across a wide age range. Both genders play at the club. It is also very family friendly. It needs an artificial hockey turf to continue as one of the leading hockey clubs in WA and Australia. It produces national and international players and coaches. Most teams now play on artificial turfs. Panthers is one of only two major clubs in Perth without an artificial turf, meaning that most home games are not played at the club. This results in higher costs to families and individuals and impacts on the club atmosphere. Panthers also supports other local sporting clubs, like junior football, acquiring better facilities at the same venue or very nearby.	Noted	N
233	Public access is limited for option 1&2, wish to maintain as much green space that is accessible to EVERYONE. Waste of rate payers money and green space to support a outside club by displacing a long standing EVP sports club and local park for residents	Noted	N
234	Option 1&2 will ultimately kill junior football in VP, be costly, be less environmentally friendly and provide a expensive facility that cannot be used by everyone.	Noted	N
235	I strongly support the addition of a Synthetic hockey turf and redevelopment of Higgins to be a venue for all community sports. A multi sport venue is a valuable asset for not only for TofVP, but also the local sporting groups with positive outcomes of increased membership, new facilities and regular usage being an asset for everyone.	Noted	N
237	VPJFC needs this space to keep junior footy alive in this area	Noted	N
238	I currently use the Park for outdoor active exercise and dog walking. Option 1 and 2 would limit that use. Option 3 would keep the large open park area, be cheaper and be more environmentally friendly.	Noted	N

239	<p>Only Options ONE or TWO adequately address the Masterplan goals to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (by bringing a new sport, and utilised far more of the oval as well as include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space). 2. Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. (A modern turf field AS WELL as grass (for football or hockey) maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a modern sporting facility) 3. Enhance and provide passive recreation amenity to the local community. A synthetic turf field will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use. 4. Make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park). It does not appear to be a responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces to not maximise its usage. Hockey will activate the site, it will also serve to increase lighting which subsequently will increase community safety. 	Noted	N
240	I disagree with the continual attacks on our valuable green parklands to be replaced with hideous synthetic hockey turf fenced areas	Noted	N
241	<p>Only Options ONE or TWO adequately address the Masterplan goals to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (by bringing a new sport, and utilised far more of the oval as well as include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space). 2. Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. (A modern turf field AS WELL as grass (for football or hockey) maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a modern sporting facility) 3. Enhance and provide passive recreation amenity to the local community. A synthetic turf field will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use. 4. Make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park). It does not appear to be a responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces to not maximise its usage. Hockey will activate the site, it will also serve to increase lighting which subsequently will increase community safety. 	Noted	N

244	Vic Park Panthers have been waiting 18years for their own synthetic turf and clubrooms. It is a big metropolitan club and many clubs have turfs to attract the best players and increase of families to the club.	Noted	N
245	I would like to have the ovals retained, I don't like the idea of a synthetic locked surface being installed, or trees being lost. Is there a better place for hockey where by existing open spaces are not impacted?	Thank you for your comment. The intention of this project is to determine a masterplan for Higgins Park and Playfield Reserve, as opposed to finding a location for a synthetic hockey turf. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N
247	Need a new oval to accommodate demands for synthetic turf. Old hockey and cricket fields at Fletcher's park could be repurposed for AFL if there is a demand in the community for this. Will attract a large number of other clubs and organisations to Victoria park due to small numbers of public synthetic turfs available.	Noted	N
248	I believe there is a need for a hockey turf as the VPXHC is one of the largest sporting clubs in ToVP and is currently unable to compete with many of the clubs due to existing facilities. The preference would be to relocate the Football Club to equal or better facilities to allow the hockey club to have one location	Noted	N
249	Because the football team have been here for ages and it's there home it wouldn't be home if they had to move	Noted	N
250	It would bring in a new sport as well as keeping optimal open grass space for use by the general public. It maximises the space that is currently unused. It would keep the community active as well as passive activity when they aren't in use. There are many unused grass areas in vic park which are useless to the community and don't further benefit the area. This sporting complex would invite people to visit the local area as well as putting a large area of unused grass space to proper use. Adding a hockey pitch will activate the site and increase lighting and safety for the community.	Noted	N

253	They will have the most benefit for the community	Noted	N
254	A synthetic turf not only is vital for Victoria Park hockey club to compete at top level, but it will be beneficial for the entire community	Noted	N
255	Because it is fair for all.	Noted	N
256	Hockey involves people from all ages and both male and female. [Football and cricket are male dominated sports, it is time to cater and promote sport for females] Having hockey turf and grass fields together would add to the inclusiveness of a club and cater for the most amount of participants. Vic Park Hockey club is one of the few of hockey clubs that does not have their own turf. Turf is a requirement for elite and developing juniors and Vic Park should be able to supply the opportunity to the residents. Option 2 caters for the most number of people, throughout the greatest range of ages and the only option that caters for WOMEN!	Noted	N
257	I believe it is imperative that the current park is enhanced and enable community to use the whole space. I am concerned about the addition of the Hockey impacting on a number of levels,inc. Removal of open space, Removal of existing trees, parking, lighting, noise and increase in traffic in the local area.	Noted	N
258	Hockey already have many grounds in the surrounding area. Jnr footy however does not.	Noted	N
259	Options 1 + 2 allow for additional use of the area.	Noted	N
262	There are limited options for hockey in the area and plenty of AFL options	Noted	N

263	Option 1 and 2 allow the Vic Park Hockey club to remain within the town. I feel that the Harrold Rossiter reserve could easily host the Vic Park Raiders. Option 2 has more trees, would be better used by the general public and meets the needs of the town. The hockey club really need a home and unfortunately with the Curtin University masterplan only showing 1 turf it can't be at PHS. There is also a Curtin University team. A hockey turf for the club has been a long time coming so please look after the largest sporting club within the town. We have so many soccer, AFL and cricket clubs. We need parents to have some choice for their kids.	Noted	N
264	I feel that all the sporting clubs in the town should be supported and with many open ovals in the Town of Victoria Park the inclusion of a hockey turf at Higgins Park will add many benefits to the area.	Noted	N
265	Despite what other community groups are posting the community is keen for a synthetic turf. I actually believe Harrold Rossiter Reserve needs to be looked at. It is so under utilised. The crime around Higgins Park is disgraceful and by having a large sporting club come in and create a sporting hub would be fantastic.	Noted	N
266	Creating a sporting hub with some choice in sports would be fantastic for the town. Advantages for the hockey club coming in would be; making the tennis club more viable with increased membership, increased security for the area and increased activation of the reserve. There is no room to expand at PHS and given that Curtin University's masterplan has only 1 turf, there is no home for the club.	Noted	N
270	Victoria Park is one of the largest hockey clubs in Perth and within the Town we cater for ages 4 to 75 both male and females are a Town we need to move with times we are one of only clubs without a Turf I believe it would be an asset to the Town. This is an Olympic sport. I like football but football can be played on any oval in the Town or we could cohabitate share the space.	Noted	N
271	I have played with Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club for 14 years and intend to play many more. The fees for playing on a turf are mounting up unnecessarily, an issue that other clubs don't have. My team are constantly sharing half a turf with 2 other teams, making it difficult to train and improve in a number of areas, something which can be remedied by our own turf.	Noted	N

272	A synthetic turf will allow active sport for a large group including juniors. Grass fields will be available for passive use when games are not in use. There are other large under utilised grassed areas in the Vic Park region near Kent Street that could be utilised when organised sport was scheduled in Higgins Park.	Noted	N
273	I chose this option because hockey already have numerous facilities and has been home to footy for many years so why change it now.	Noted	N
274	As a coach at Raiders There's not enough room for Raiders footy to train. We share space with other teams and train on half an oval. Reducing space will reduce team numbers and local kids in Vic Park will miss out on playing community footy! The effects will be disastrous for the local community and kids will be roaming the streets and causing trouble!	Noted	N
275	There is no way in 2020 we should be getting rid of green spaces and putting in Astro turf. Secondly , no way should we be ejecting one active community club that encourages juniors of all ages to engage in sport in favour of another . That is fundamentally wrong . ToVP put your time and resources into assisting the hockey club. They also have many juniors and seniors of the community engaging in sport (which is awesome) into finding a permanent home that does not involve displacing of an existing community club and does not involve removal of a green space.	Noted	N
278	Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space). Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. (A modern turf field AS WELL as grass (for football or hockey) maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a modern sport facility) Enhance and provide passive recreation amenity to the local community. A synthetic turf field will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use. Make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park). It would be not a responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces if it does not maximise usage. Hockey will activate the site and increase lighting and community safety.	Noted	N

279	Higgins is not an appropriate site for a hockey turf - it is extremely close to residents from 3 out of 4 sides - lights and noise until beyond 10pm most evenings is not acceptable. Nor is the loss of open space or destruction of nature trees. No hockey turfs around Perth are anywhere close to a position like this, so close to houses. Also the Perth Hockey Stadium is also not operating at capacity with the recent departure of Fremantle Hockey Club, there are now only 3 clubs using the 2 turfs as a base. The national program runs early morning so is not impacting the club at all. Displacing the football club should not be an option because hockey can't find an appropriate site.	Noted	N
281	Based on the choices above, I believe the integration of the Hockey club to be the most beneficial to both members and the community with the hope the Football club has options for relocation. This space should be something the whole community can enjoy!	Noted	N
283	Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space). Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. (A modern turf field AS WELL as grass (for football or hockey) maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a modern sport facility) Enhance and provide passive recreation amenity to the local community. A synthetic turf field will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use.	Noted	N
284	I believe having a hockey synthetic turf and grass playing fields will strengthen the local community which would benefit all local residents.	Noted	N
285	Raiders are an integral part of the community. They deserve dedicated space. There are no other spaces suitable for Raiders	Noted	N
287	There is a generous amount of hockey space in the surround areas, including Curtin, South Perth and potentially the new Collier park development.	Noted	N
289	We need to retain the football field and the impact of hockey fields in the community is too bright and loud	Noted	N
290	I oppose the implementation of fenced synthetic turf at Higgins Park. It reduces opportunities/ for passive community use (Dog walking, kids playing, fitness) and is not natural. It is essentially privatising a public space (for the purposes of a select few hockey players).	Noted	N

291	Do not want a synthetic fenced hockey field there. It is one-use only and exclusive to hockey players only.	Noted	N
293	Attend hockey and football	Noted	N
294	The negative impact on my child's football team if option 1 or 2 go ahead.	Noted	N
295	There is not enough room both both clubs. Looking for a viable area for hockey elsewhere would make more sense. Also not taking away the limited green space we already have.	Noted	N
296	More efficient utilisation of community space that will realise significantly more benefit to a larger portion of the community and breather life into this area.	Noted	N
298	The development of a hockey turf will improve training and game day facilities. Junior team's currently have their "home games" on turf as far away as Joondalup and port Kennedy which isn't ideal and doesn't support the community feel the club encourages. Having both football and hockey will bring two clubs together and create a great sporting precinct	Noted	N
299	More choice of sports will activate the area more.	Noted	N
300	All offer Multi-sport opportunities for the community.	Noted	N
302	By providing a synthetic turf, you're helping to build a smaller sport and help facilitate competitions. There are football fields at nearly every oval. Why do we need to keep adding more when they are less than 10 turfs in Perth	Noted	N
304	Our hockey club must have a synthetic turf to survive in the modern space of hockey. We have players from 6 to 80+, and have been asking the ToVP for 15 years to accomodate our club, we have now come to a pinch point because members are leaving to go to clubs with a turf. It is imperative for our club survival, I have been a member of VPXHC for 32 years, please help us!	Noted	N

305	supporting my local football club	Noted	N
306	Option 3 is the only option that doesn't remove trees and complies with the council requirements to increase the green canopy in the area. Town of VP already has access to a number of hockey turfs but not one of the lowest ratios of public open space to residents in the Perth region. Interest in hockey is declining and Hockey WA are not able to sustain the existing turfs in Perth. They don't need another.	Noted	N
307	I support option one and option two. If we are promoting sports different type of sports. I think option one is the best because you can still have cricket, football, tennis, croquets and hockey. This will promote a safe environment for kids to plays and also promote physical exercise.	Noted	N
309	The vic park raiders have been at this ground for a number of years, it would be unfair to build more hockey fields and reduce the capacity for local football growth	Noted	N
310	I chose my options based on my four children associated with many clubs and involvement in the community. I feel my options didn't favour any one club and will benefit the community of all ages.	Noted	N
311	Vic Park Hockey Club needs the new turf facilities along side the grassed playing fields to accommodate the high demand for hockey in the area. Their minkey program this year shows the size of the club and the area required to maintain a strong standing within the hockey community. The club needs to have one base for all members rather than a turf at one location and grass grounds at another. All other successful hockey facilities in the state incorporate a turf, grass playing fields and club rooms at one location.	Noted	N
313	I believe the space can adequately meet the needs of ALL CLUBS. There is some concerning misconception that one sport will "lose out" with the arrival of another. These plans are fantastic!!! What a cohesive , community thought process. Well done Vic Park- hockey, football, cricket, tennis, croquet, RSL AND community open spaces/facilities. What an amazing achievement. I love our community. Thank you for this work- it shows a lot of passion. Well done.	Noted	N
316	I am 9. I like the bigger playground but I also play at the raiders. I feel sad to know we might have to move.	Noted	N

317	I would love to have a home turf instead of sharing Perth hockey stadium with various other teams and having limited turf time. Hockey is an inclusive community sport, and we are often overshadowed by other sports such as football, basketball and netball. By building a synthetic turf, more people can join in this fun sport	Noted	N
319	The proposals by hockey will spoil a well used and much loved park.	Noted	N
320	It is important to promote everything and there are many more football pitches than others in the area, therefore it is important to promote other sports like hockey to keep all sports alive for those that prefer them	Noted	N
322	I think it's important to be inclusive and allow hockey to be played at the park.	Noted	N
323	This park should be for the use of the community with access to all. Synthetic hockey field would promote exclusion of the community.	Noted	N

324	<p>I would like to see as much open space kept as possible, where it can be used for multiple purposes year round & cover as many year round sports as possible (i.e. both summer & winter sports) whilst still being available for social gatherings of sport (i.e. families going out to kick a football together, or hit a cricket ball, hockey ball, or kick a soccer ball together, fly a kite etc.). Don't see the need for a 'fenced hockey turf', given there are two of these already less than a couple of km's away at the Perth Hockey Stadium and hockey is generally only played as a winter sport (thus waste of space for the other half of the year when you cant play another game on that turf). Also concerned about the lighting aspect of a fenced hockey turf & impact to surrounding residential areas along Hillview Tce.</p> <p>Note both my children play hockey as a winter sport at school and club level & have done so for 13+ years, thus am not against the sport, but recognise the limitations of it. If did away with the fenced hockey turf option and included just hockey grass fields in master plan, along with keeping football & cricket fields, would be far more open to it.</p> <p>Don't like Option 2 at all, given it does away completely with one of the biggest sports (football) played in Australia for both girls & boys. We want to encourage our youth to be outdoors playing sports to keep fit & healthy, thus why would you consider doing away with such a space for such a widely played sport?</p> <p>I live just outside the Vic Park area in a bordering shire but visit this Higgins Park area regularly for multiple purposes.</p>	Noted	N
325	<p>Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space.</p>	Noted	N
327	<p>Option 2 please! The club has been very patient, ever since I was a child growing up at the hockey club we have been dreaming of this day, it has been talked about since I was 5 years old. I am now 35, and still we are trying. Hockey is a sport that can be played from 2 to 82, we have players of both ages at our club. It is a benefit to so many and we have worked so hard to make this happen. I feel we have brought so much to this area, supporting the local community.</p>	Noted	N

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331	I am a previous junior football coach at the Vic Park Raiders, resident of East Victoria Park and my children attended Millen Primary School. The football club requires the whole park surface area during football season for both training and playing, other than the corner immediately adjacent to intersection of Hill View Terrace/Creaton Street. Any reduction of surface playing area will severely impact upon the requirements of the football club to be able to maintain FULL support for ALL of the club football teams without impacting both the number of teams and numbers of junior and senior club players. Any reduction of surface area available to the football club will severely impact the functionality of the club to the extent that it would effectively fragment the club to the point that it would not be able to continue after 70 years being part of Victoria Park.	Noted	N
332	Hockey needs a place in this community as it is a strong contributor to the local economy and social scene. Football and cricket already have homes, now it is time to be balanced and give hockey one too!	Noted	N
333	My family and I visit Higgins Park often. Can't see the point of having a hockey field that cannot be fully utilised by the public when games are not in play. Waste of space.	Noted	N
340	These choices will optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space). They will also make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park). It would be not a responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces if it does not maximise usage. Hockey will activate the site and increase lighting and community safety.	Noted	N
342	I have played tennis at Higgins park since i was 14 and my children have played cricket at this location. To see at as a multidiscipline sports hub with a hockey turf and new clubhouse is very exciting. This idea will make a huge difference and rejuvenate the area as has happened in Lathlain.	Noted	N
343	With other synthetic turf fields less than 2km away I feel ths is not required. Also the cost of water use to maintain the turf is not cost effective.	Noted	N

345	I'm a long term resident of EVP and value access to my local parks, ovals and green spaces. Please don't put a synthetic turf here and kick out the current sporting codes. It is working currently, please don't change. We need more parks for families, the aged, dog owners , walkers to enjoy not less.	Noted	N
346	I would like to see Higgins Park remain as open as possible and continue to be used by existing clubs without restrictions or relocation. As a family associated with Junior sport we would never want to displace another active club to get facilities for our club. I am astonished and disappointed that the hockey club wishes to pursue their interests, over those of another active club with many members. Additionally, as nearby residents, we are very concerned about environmental impacts including noise (ie hockey sticks hitting balls repeatedly) and fugitive light.	Noted	N
347	Options 1 & 2 give a better result for the community and the sports on a shared basis. Ensuring adequate access for all, modernising the area and facilities and fulfilling the Master plan requirements. I grew up in Clinton Ave and I see Options 1 & 2 as making making this area a really vibrant usable space for the greater community year round. Rather than being under utilised during some of the year yet still requiring the town to spend money on an under utilised space. It's a better use of the Town's funds.	Noted	N
349	This beautiful old ground are part of football history & should remain dedicated to it. It's unAustralian to even contemplate displacing the Raiders (for hockey & croquet no less, I mean, really!!??). There's a hockey facility at Curtin anyway.	Noted	N
350	Option 3 maintains the open space for the whole community to exercise in with walking tracks. This also has the best mix of adult/junior sport support. Adding hockey turfs options 1&2 will create traffic/parking challenges as well as close proximity to the busy main road being a hazard. Hockey pitches available at Curtin University.	Noted	N
351	Do not see requirement for hockey pitches that reduce the open area for the community. Mix of junior and adult sports maintained with option 3 as well as walking tracks and exercise areas.	Noted	N
353	• Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. (A modern turf field AS WELL as grass (for football or hockey) maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a modern sport facility	Noted	N

354	It looks like options one and two would have a significant impact on those who currently use this oval. I support upgrading the area in general to allow for other uses and more community enjoyment but not to the detriment of the football club who currently call this oval home.	Noted	N
355	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhance and provide passive recreation amenity to the local community. A synthetic turf field will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use. 	Noted	N
356	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park). It would be not a responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces if it does not maximise usage. • Hockey will activate the site and increase lighting and community safety. 	Noted	N
357	Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space).	Noted	N
358	<p>Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. (A modern turf field AS WELL as grass (for football or hockey) maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a modern sport facility)</p> <p>Enhance and provide passive recreation amenity to the local community. A synthetic turf field will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use.</p>	Noted	N

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377	<p>Vic Park Panthers in a thriving hockey club, that is growing substantially especially at junior levels. For these juniors to to grow and improve they need a synthetic surface to practice and play on. Panthers is starting to lag behind the other clubs as it is the only major club to not have a synthetic pitch. It risks losing members to clubs with better facilities. WA is the hockey capital of Australia and produced most of the professional players, we need to do everything we can to continue to encourage this. Better facilities are a must.</p>	Noted	N
378	<p>I believe that Junior football should be supported.</p>	Noted	N
379	<p>Synthetic turf is a must to grow the sport of hockey, youth development will be lost to other better equipped clubs. I think we have enough football ovals already.</p>	Noted	N
380	<p>I believe junior football needs support</p>	Noted	N
381	<p>Less trees cut, more options maintained</p>	Noted	N

382	<p>Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site - bringing in new sport and making use of the space more than it is currently used</p> <p>Enhance and provide recreational facilities to the local community - encouraging juniors and seniors to get involved in a variety of sports</p> <p>Make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park). It would be not a responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces if it does not maximise usage.</p> <p>Hockey will activate the site and increase lighting and community safety.</p> <p>Hockey has always provided an amazing community environment for me growing up and this will only be enhanced by having a turf within our local community for our club and to also invite and encourage others to be a part of what is a great community.</p>	Noted	N
383	<p>There are limited sporting outdoor facilities within the council, other than football and soccer fields. To have a facility that would be inclusive of hockey and cricket would be beneficial to the area. To have a turf facility within the town would also encourage promotion of the area from people who live elsewhere. There are many football fields within the area, including south Perth, Belmont and Canning, yet there is only one turf facility being at Perth hockey stadium. Being able to provide full facilities at a club (which includes turf) would encourage growth and be beneficial to the area.</p>	Noted	N
384	<p>Option 1 is a great option and gives both clubs an outcome.</p>	Noted	N
385	<p>I have family and many friends who play hockey but it is hard to find a good field or turf to play on unlike footy where there is always a good field close by.</p>	Noted	N
387	<p>A synthetic hockey pitch is single use only, plus the football club have been based and continue to extensively use the park for training and games. The current layout is multi-use, being used by AFL, cricket, fitness and dog walkers. As the population of ToVP continues to grow, multi-use open space is important and should be retained</p>	Noted	N

388	I like that the town would support more diverse sports. I think it's great for the community that the council would support as many sports as possible and use the grounds for good!	Noted	N
389	With football ovals at all schools plus on other parks in the Town, I don't see the need for another one here. Hockey is played on synthetic turfs at all levels from club, to state to national & international. Give juniors the opportunity to train and compete on turf from early on give them a much better chance of progressing to play at elite levels later in life.	Noted	N
391	<p>The community supports the Victoria Park Raiders Junior Football Club to remain at Higgins Park and opposes the construction of a fenced synthetic hockey turf and its associated infrastructure on the green public open space.</p> <p>Further relocation of the VPRJFC across multiple parks and reserves within the TOVP will threaten the viability of the club and dissipate the club's key strength: a sense of community.</p> <p>The community action group, Friends of Higgins Park support the Raiders to stay at Higgins Park. This is the best way to protect the green Public Open Space and guarantee the expansive park remains freely available to the community for decades to come.</p>	Noted	N
393	My choice was based on supporting three sports rather than one winning out over another. I believe the three sports could work well together to build a great community hub at Higgins Park.	Noted	N
394	It is important for the town of Vic Park to provide children with opportunities to play a variety of sports at a high level. This means access to a synthetic turf needs to be available. The council should encourage children and adults to be physically active.	Noted	N
396	Not committed to the introduction of synthetic hockey pitches and losing precious parkland, trees and a long history of Vic park raiders football club ground.	Noted	N
397	No need for it. If you can plan around significant trees you need another job	Noted	N
399	Diversity in sport is an Australian strength.	Noted	N

400	To gain maximum use of the limited free space for the benefit of all.	Noted	N
401	we use the oval regularly for walks and kids running around so would like to keep the openness of the area	Noted	N
402	Hockey turf and hockey grounds in the area I strongly agree with, as a hockey player myself and knowing the positive community that comes with sport	Noted	N
403	Victoria desperately need there own turf surface area for hockey. And overall Victoria Park Hockey is getting bigger every year with player numbers	Noted	N
405	have no support for synthetic hockey fields when perfectly good ones available less than 2 ks away, they are environmentally damaging and the Hockey club should be prepared to share facilities like many other Hockey clubs, do. The football club has been there for years and should not be displaced by the Hockey club , Cannot believe the town has spent so much money on revisiting this issue.	Noted	N
406	As I have lived here in East vic park for 24 years, and went to local schools and still live here with everyone I grew up with, no one played hockey at all, so I don't see the point in building this !! There's a hockey stadium at curtin!! And lots of space around it to build one if they want. The oval as it is great and should be kept open how it is so everyone can use it!! It's very popular with a wide range of people using it for many different things, as it doesn't seclude to one group taking up a huge space that can only be used for one thing!! But I agree with the other plans to include better play area for kids/ teenages as there is hardly any on this side of East vic park which is needed and has been neglected!! Thanks.	Noted	N
407	Football has been at the park for 70 years why take that away from the community. It is a bloody disgrace that you even contemplated this idea. Leave it alone let footy stay.	Noted	N
408	As a local resident I feel strongly of the retention of open green space within the community Also to maintain the proud history of the football club who engages and present opportunities for disengaged youth. I also don't understand what Hockey will add to our community ?	Noted	N
409	A synthetic hockey turf is costly for ratepayers and environmentally unfriendly - the radiant heat alone from the synthetic hockey turf in summer will be detrimental to all park users, in addition to the amount of water needed to maintain such turf.	Noted	N

411	Good but apparently under-utilised hockey facilities already exist at Curtin University, which is actually part of the Town of Victoria Park. So the large open spaces in Higgins Park can be used for Cricket and Footy, which do not need expensive periodic re-construction.	Noted	N
412	Agreed with a pamphlet currently circulating and enjoying the grounds as they are presented now.	Noted	N
413	We are hyper local to this oval and love the open public accessible green space, for our kids and our dog, general exercise, picnics and kite flying, and watching the footy. We are not at all keen on increased traffic and fenced off hockey turf for exclusive use of 1 sport. Is there consideration for a lollipop person to assist children crossing Hillview to attend schools?	Noted	N
414	I don't want the hockey club coming in and for some reason allowed to take over this footy club which has been here my whole life. They shouldn't be able to kick a club off their own land.	Noted	N
415	Higgins Park is the home of football and needs all the space it can get as it is growing. I understand Hockey needs a home but why at the expense of football?	Noted	N
416	With Auskick & Junior Football you need to be at the one oval to keep the cohesion of the club.. When you are spread over different ovals it loses it's community feel & you feel disjointed from the club. The playground should be close to the junior oval as it is when the juniors are training or playing that their younger siblings use it the most. For safety if it is on the other side of the oval the children won't be allowed to go there.	Thank you for your comments. The location of the playground was developed and tested with the Design Reference Group. Further consideration on the location of this playground will be tested in the next stage of the project. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N - considered in Design Development
418	The grass area for football is small, adding a hockey turf will not fit and make kids football untenable at the location. The football was there first.	Noted	N
419	Hockey turf would increase the amount of cars looking for parking, with people parking on everyone's verges. Floodlights, sirens and whistles going off all night, disturbing both people and animals in the area !!	Noted	N

420	Strongly oppose synthetic grass enclosed areas. This park should be usable in its entirety by all members of the public. Fencing off areas and making areas exclusive doesnt benefit the community in any way.	Noted	N
421	There are already under utilised hockey facilities at Curtin.	Noted	N
422	The choices i made appear to cover the majority of the community. With todays demand for inner city open space it makes sense to be able to get as much out of our community spaces as possible. The ability to utilise space for winter and summer sports is paramount when reconfiguring any community sporting space. As well as the sports people who will utilise these area it is also prudent to accomodate those who do not align with organised sport. Play grounds, fitness courses, walking trails and dog walks need to be designed in. It is a fact of life that cars form part of any destination. Traffic calming and the need to accomodate cars needs to be considered. I believe that these options have addressed the majority of the needs wanted.	Noted	N
423	I am opposed to AstroTurf and would rather see open green space.	Noted	N
424	The larger playground, while nice, has the side effect of removing trees between the ovals and the tennis courts that kids love to climb. Additionally, it pre-selects for the hockey options, which I strongly oppose.	Noted	N
425	The addition of the hockey turf would not enhance the visible aesthetics of the park that is used so much by local families. It would add too much traffic, light pollution and noise.	Noted	N
426	We have been living in the area for ten years. Whilst we Currently are not affiliated with a sporting code we have been with football in the past. The park being developed is great for the community however we need to retain a designated football area for the community. We feel trying to do it all for everyone eg all the sports in one spot is in the end probably not going to work for everyone as it cannot meet all needs effectively.	Noted	N
427	I don't like the synthetic turf hockey pitch idea and the space this would take up	Noted	N

428	I love living near Higgins Park because it is a big open space everyone can use. I walk my dog there and play with my friends. I love the trees and don't want them to be cut down. I also don't want the footy club to lose their place to play. The park and the Raiders community are really important to me.	Noted	N
429	Higgins Park is a great open oval which is great for a large variety of uses by the community. I don't want to see this area be reduced in size by a fenced off area, which is also not particularly aesthetic. I also don't want to see the useable area of the Park be reduced. I have no problem with hockey being played on grass pitches on the oval, but I don't think this is an appropriate location for a fenced off synthetic hockey field, given it is a fantastically large oval which I think provides more benefit to the community at large in its current form. There are also synthetic hockey fields very near by, so I can't see why there would be a great need for a new one here.	Noted	N
431	because I have been part of the football club for almost 10years and I walk my dog at the park and if there was a big hockey field there would be not as much room to excersise people's dogs	Noted	N
432	I like a diverse range of facilities and also attracting more younger demographics. I'm 34 and find that it's either a fenced off membership only or a childrens area, i find the options I picked would also attract more people my age and demographic, the in a relationship but no children and same as my friends.	Noted	N
433	In my opinion options 1 and 2 support the Masterplan and give a better result year round for all sports.	Noted	N
435	My family use these spaces for exercise. We don't want a hockey area. Synthetic turf has no place here	Noted	N
436	There is enough space to put fenced hockey turfs in the areas indicated, this would create a great oppportunity for all sports as indicated to share and play in the East Victoria Park/St James Area.	Noted	N

439	<p>The aim is to optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site by bringing a new sport, so it will be utilised far more than the oval is and to include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space.</p> <p>This will enhance and provide passive recreation amenity to the local community. A synthetic turf field will allow competitive sport as well as passive activity when the grass fields are not in use.</p> <p>Hockey will activate the site and increase lighting and community safety.</p> <p>There is already a very large, underutilized grass field at Harold Rossiter Park, but the Town doesn't have the luxury to repeat that mistake, given the town's increasing population with limited sporting spaces.</p> <p>It simply needs to maximise usage of space at every opportunity or risk pushing out that part of the community to other nearby shires and the spin off business with it.</p>	Noted	N
441	Having seen AUS kick & AFL junior games played on weekends, the hockey court will prevent both occurring at reasonable weekend times.	Noted	N
442	Options 1 & 2 jeopardise local footy and affects negatively on hundreds of people involved. The hockey facilities proposed are not necessary for the hockey club as they have access to other grounds and venues.	Noted	N
443	Having facilities for multiple sporting codes provides community sport access for all ages and groups across the community. Without community sport there is potential for disconnect and increased adverse mental health issues as people need to have connection through sport and the wider community.	Noted	N
445	Our football club should not be compromised for another club to move in	Noted	N
446	Weakening one club to suit another is unjust	Noted	N
447	We need to keep a large open space to freely visit for exercise and leisure. Keeping Higgins Park as it is will also ensure the continuation of junior and senior football clubs.	Noted	N
448	Save Higgins park!!!	Noted	N

449	I am a local teacher and feel option is the best layout for when we use Higgins Park, which is usually twice a week at least	Noted	N
451	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space). • Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. (A modern turf field AS WELL as grass (for football or hockey) maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a modern sport facility) • Enhance and provide passive recreation amenity to the local community. A synthetic turf field will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use. • Make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park). It would be not a responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces if it does not maximise usage. • Hockey will activate the site and increase lighting and community safety. 	Noted	N
452	The raiders footy club is a thriving active sports club in the community.	Noted	N
453	I have selected this choice as the vicpark footy is an established integral park of our community and has strong support amongst the youth in the area.	Noted	N
454	Higgins Park is currently under-utilised and introducing a new sport (hockey)to the area will provide a new modern sporting facility that can be utilised by all ages in the community from juniors to seniors. The grassed hockey fields will still allow ample community recreation area for dog walking and general recreational activities.	Noted	N

455	I am strongly opposed to synthetic fields and options which restrict general public access such as the hockey field, as . I am also extremely opposed to options which remove old trees reducing nesting and feeding habitat for birds. I am supportive of the School option even though the Road would be closed. I am extremely Opposed to hard surfaces and skating and wheeled traffic. There are few nice places to hang out where you don't have to constantly be on the lookout for bikes and. I have no desire for any paths as they ruin the continuous green space and introduce bikes which create collisions and issues. It would be nice if the clubrooms and bbq facilities were more accessible to the community more widely. I would be supportive of traffic calming on hill view terrace, but wonder why a fence, with gates to maintain permeability has not been considered to increase safety?	Thanks for your comments. Fencing was tested with the Design Reference Group, with the majority of members expressing their concern with any fencing. Hence it is not proposed to fence the perimeter of the park. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N
456	Football has had a long and successful connection to Higgins Park. Both option 1 and 2 would risk the viability of the Raiders junior football club. My son has played for years at this club and should it be split up he would be unlikely to continue participating in junior football as he won't transfer to a new club. Having fenced off ovals is both visually unpleasant as well as being exclusive to those in the hockey club, at the expense of the broader community. Even option 1 severely impacts the space and size of the football oval with it being squeezed hard up against trees and fences. Surely a better option would be to utilise space at Como high school just down the road which has a specialist hockey program, creating a benefit for all parties rather than poor outcomes for the general community and football club in options 1 and 2 above.	Noted	N
457	I support the continued use of the park by the raiders junior football club. Our children are really enjoying being part of the club and it would be sad to see the future of the club jeopardised by decisions made in this redevelopment.	Noted	N
458	Love having the open space and seeing children and teens down practicing football and in the cricket in the nets and people excersing and walking their dogs and meeting friends .	Noted	N
459	We have a great cricket and footy pitch in Vic park. But no hockey turf. It's about time! Will bring the community together even more.	Noted	N
460	* Closing Playfield Street to connect Millen Primary School and Higgins Park facilities provides excellent opportunities for the children and will see the investment in Higgins Park maximised through increased usage. * All open green space at Higgins Park must be retained for the benefit of all of the community.	Noted	N

461	Connection of Higgins Park to Millen Primary School will provide many opportunities for children during and after school. All existing open green space at Higgins Park must be retained for the benefit of all of the community.	Noted	N
463	I believe the installation of a synthetic hockey field considerably reduces the park amenity for all non hockey users. If the existing field is left as is it can be used for a wide range of sports and for recreation. I do not support the capital expense for a minority group of park users (hockey).	Noted	N
465	Green space should be available to everyone, the turf limits this. Raiders are already there, so what is being achieved by removing them and putting a minority group there instead. Other hockey grounds should be utilised for hockey. This makes no sense. This would be a very unpopular decision to remove the football clubs and put hockey grounds there instead.	Noted	N
467	It's where I exercise my dogs daily and I feel there are enough hockey pitch's at curtain university just a stones throw from higgins park. Kent street would be a more valuable area for hockey pitch	Noted	N
469	Astro turf of any sort is not sustainable, a health hazard and doest do favours for earth loving creatures.	Noted	N
470	I do not support the splitting up of the Vic Park Raiders football facilities. If the club had any less space, there would not be sufficient space on training or game days. I do not support the removal of trees from Higgins Park. I strongly support Option 3 which will keep our club together and reconfigure the oval so our boys and girls can play at the same oval. There is no alternative location for our club which is proposed in Option 2 which I strongly oppose. I strongly oppose option 1, as the club won't be able to run efficiently or engage in the same manner across multiple grounds.	Noted	N
471	Higgins park is the HOME of the Vic Park Raiders and should remain so .	Noted	N
472	I'm so disappointed that the ToVP would let the Raiders club down so badly. I hope my God son's club still exists when I'm next able to visit him from the UK.	Noted	N
473	The park is currently fully utilised for football and there is no space for hockey without impacting the requirements of the area for football.	Noted	N

475	Synthetic turf has no place in a beautiful park. Grass absorbs heat. Synthetic turf does not. This hockey club should learn to share as all others do to lessen the amount of synthetic turf sitting in landfill. If you're aiming to activate the park, no one is going to want to take their family to sit, relax or play where a hockey game is taking place. Have you heard the noise? It's a very loud and unpleasant sound. You're running the risk of creating a white elephant. I certainly wouldn't use the park any more if hockey was there.	Noted	N
476	We live across from the park. I love the park as it is, it's one of the few large open areas we still have in the city. I would not like to see any parts fenced off, more light poles, etc. I also think there are other better ways to spend our community money. ;)	Noted	N
479	Like open green spaces, dog walking areas.	Noted	N
480	Do not wish to see astro turf and cyclone fencing.	Noted	N
481	For many years watched my grandsons play football at Higgins Park and would like other young players to enjoy those facilities	Noted	N
482	Astro-turf is not good for the environment	Noted	N
483	Enjoy watching junior football.	Noted	N
484	As a passionate supporter of our national game, football, have had much pleasure having watched my grandson playing at Higgins over the years. If this game is lost the local players will not have a home ground.	Noted	N
485	All open green spaces should be retained.	Noted	N
486	Support bigger play space but not at the removal of all football facilities. Option 1 & 3 have something for most. Option 3 is cheaper and there are no trees removed.	Noted	N
487	Football has a strong association with Higgins Park. Hockey has similar facilities within 2minutes from Higgins Park. Any hockey development should be outside of the Curtin/Aquinas	Noted	N

	catchments, and focused on new growth areas of Perth for hockey to develop its participation and growth.		
488	Higgins Park is a whole community space and a park that has long been home to our local football club. It definitely should NOT be changed to synthetic turf and lose any of its established trees.	Noted	N
490	Losing the large open space at the park would be detrimental to the area and users	Noted	N
492	I would hate to see the loss of the raiders club to advantage another. Its not right.	Noted	N
494	The hockey club has been campaigning for over 15 years to have a synthetic turf option. The juniors will have no option but to join another club with synthetic turf which would be the demise of a well known and loved club in the town. There is plenty of space (as indicated in option 1 and 2) for both AFL and hockey to cohabit this area.	Noted	N
495	Best for everyone and doesn't destroy a footy club that has been around for a very long time.	Noted	N
496	The Hockey Club have been looking for a home for their turf for a long time. Provided the JFC are no worse off, I think there are possibilities for win win on both parts	Noted	N
499	I believe that the hockey should have a turf as other sports receive funding and space they should receive the same	Noted	N
500	In the past, I have had children involved in junior AFL. I cannot see how this area could cope with both AFL and hockey as they are both winter sports. The level of 'busy-ness' in this residential area would be of grave concern.	Noted	N
501	The first two options for the sporting configurations maximises sporting opportunities and the ability to create Higgins Park as a more a community hub for a larger number of sporting teams. This should only bring more prosperity to the area.	Noted	N
502	I support Higgins park as a lovely football oval	Noted	N

503	In support of VicPark JFC who nurture and develop kids to be better adults.	Noted	N
504	Option 1 appears to have the broadest use for all sports, with option 2 closely following. Option 3 removes a synthetic turf, which has been asked for and needed for many, many years. Hockey is a critical part of the culture within the community and we want our own resources and location, rather than relying on the WA Hockey facilities.	Noted	N
505	Development of synthetic hockey turf will impede football club significantly. Watched my son over the years play auskick, junior football and umpire junior footy games. Fantastic to see so many young people being active and getting involved in their local club. The entire park was being utilised with multiple games happening at the same time. Need to retain this current level of involvement with junior members of our football community. Hockey deserves to have a place to call home but not at the expense of Victoria Park Junior football	Noted	N
506	We have a young child and two dogs so our selections are what would suit our family best. We love that the park is a nice open space and that all areas can be utilized by the public. The fenced off hockey field with artificial turf as well as the strong lighting would in my opinion take a lot of what we like away from Higgins Park. Option 1 seems to create a space that isn't really suited to either Hockey or Junior Football, and option 2 would remove a club that has been a part of Higgins Park for a long time. I also think that the space should be developed for a club where most members are part of the Vic Park community which is the case for the football club but not the hockey club.	Noted	N
507	A great venue for multiple sports and multiple users	Noted	N
508	Vic Park Panthers Hockey Club needs a new home location that can support an artificial turf to allow the club to grow and prosper into the future. I understand the push back from the footy club but surely option 1 gives both the best outcome with modern facilities to attract new families to join.	Noted	N
509	My husband and I have been involved with the Higgins Park area since we came to Hillview Terrace in 1957. Our boys played football for Centrals and our Grand daughters frequented the area for various activities. Now our great grand children enjoy the present situation. LEAVE OUR AREA ALONE	Noted	N

510	the clubrooms set up looks to be best in Option 2, for cricket, AFL Hockey and tennis	Noted	N
511	Our son was previously playing junior football at the Belmont Junior Football Club. After a number of years of poor management, we decided to move to Vic Park this season. What we found was a well run club, and excellent sporting community, and fantastic facilities - an excellent decision to move. The choices selected by me in this survey - to support Option 3 and oppose Options 1 and 2 - reflect a desire to keep the football club at its traditional home and not jeopardise its future by entertaining the two poor alternatives.	Noted	N
514	I am a player for the Victoria Park Hockey club and my Daughter (Yr 8) Plays for the Football team. My views are mixed on both an emotional level but also a practical level. I see the future of Hockey development and growth needing a synthetic pitch to attract youth to the area as has been experienced with other clubs such as Southern River; my the daughters team both play and train at Curtin University South Oval hence the future of Higgins Park needs Hockey more than it needs football. The Football Team could relocate to Harold Rossiter Reserve and/or utilise Kent Street Senior High School Facilities; a share for Hockey and Football is also a win-win for both clubs.	Noted	N
515	My son plays hockey and I would like to see him train and play in one place as much as possible. He is a boarder at Rotary and attends Kent St and has loved joining this hockey club	Noted	N
516	A hockey turf will be an amazing addition to the town. It will provide facilities that will rival other suburbs and will attract new players to the clubs involved.	Noted	N
517	Having played for Victoria Park Hockey Club since I was 12 years old, it's always been the clubs dream to have it's own synthetic hockey turf. I'm now 24 years old and am firmly of the belief that for a club that has done so much for the community it's well overdue that a synthetic pitch is built.	Noted	N
518	A synthetic turf field will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use. Hockey will activate the site and increase lighting and community safety.	Noted	N
519	I believe that a synthetic turf will be very beneficial for the community and provide new avenues for activity for those in and round the area. I also believe that financially it will also benefit the town of Victoria Park.	Noted	N

520	These options optimise active recreation opportunities on the site and bring a new active sport to the area. It will be utilised far more than the oval is at present and will include players of all ages, and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space.	Noted	N
521	Added sporting facilities and playgrounds will bring an abundance of activity to the park, promoting local growth and activity!	Noted	N
522	The only upgrades to Higgins Park should enhance the environment and a big fence around a synthetic turf certainly wont do that	Noted	N
523	I chose this because this is where my family have done sport for a number of years and i would not like to see a hockey pitch at the home of the Raiders it is nice to see family's having fun with their friends and dogs and it makes me happy being there just the way it is.	Noted	N
524	the hockey club is one of very few clubs who don't have a home turf, it would help the club greatly to have access to one.	Noted	N
526	Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club is an extremely proud and successful club but it however lacks its own home ground and turf. It is one of only a few clubs in the league that lacks a turf which is absolutely critical for its survival. Hockey I know a game predominantly played on synthetic turf and therefore it is essential if the club is to remain up to date with other clubs that we are able to have a home ground and club. Unfortunately not only do we lack a turf but we also lack our own club rooms. Having to currently share our club rooms with Perth Cricket Club makes it hard to establish a culture necessary for success. Hockey is a sport played by young and old males and females and therefore I think it can have a profound contribution to the Town of Victoria Park.	Noted	N
527	Vic park has plenty of places to train at high level for football but currently nowhere to to train at a high level for hockey And is at risk of losing hockey in its entirety	Noted	N
528	The inclusion of the hockey turf in option 1 would be an incredible opportunity for the hockey club and enhanced accessibility and exposure to the sport. It is far more preferable to retain a football training area than removing it completely. In the absence of reasoned and consistent arguments as to why the turf would not be feasible I do not see option 3 as acceptable from a perspective of community enhancement.	Noted	N

529	I would not like to see a hockey pitch at the home of the Raiders football club. I think other upgrades should be made like more nature, combining the tennis and football club together instead of planting an enclosed hockey pitch that is used for only hockey. Football ovals can be used also as cricket fields so it has multiple uses. It is also turning friends on friends because some of my friends at school play hockey and they think that they will get a hockey pitch at Higgins park and it is hard to go with that. I love my friends, i love hanging out with them but this is some times making it hard. That is why we try not to talk about it because they love their hockey, we love our football.	Noted	N
530	Any option which gets the VPX Hockey Club a turf is going to be a benefit to the community in all aspects. Full support for whichever option is the most viable for all parties involved	Noted	N
531	Vic park hockey club is in need of its own hockey turf, as it is one of two clubs in Perth without one. I also believe it is important for the AFL field to be retained for the Vic Park Raiders and other community members	Noted	N
533	Best options for my hockey club and the community in which I live. These options will bring people together and create a positive meeting place and influence on the area	Noted	N
535	I play hockey and want a turf for my club	Noted	N
536	I support the expansion of sporting facilities at this ground. Our community would benefit from having a multifaceted facility and encouraging all types of sports	Noted	N
538	There needs to be more support for the active younger generations growing, living and developing within the town of Victoria Park, Sporting facilities encourage a strong community spirit for mental and physical well-being it's time to invest in the younger generations for our future.	Noted	N
539	It will support the club and its ever growing members. For the club to survive this is necessary	Noted	N
541	I believe that integrating sports in one location will help with membership numbers and crossover of participation in multiple sports. It makes financial sense to have one facility being used by multiple clubs. Being from the country this is normal practice and creates a great community atmosphere.	Noted	N

543	<p>The Masterplan for Higgins park ultimately is to optimise and modernise the recreational sporting options at the park. The development of a synthetic Hockey Pitch at Higgins Park will provide a quality facility for players of all ages and sexes. From Minkey to Over 60 Masters, the ground will become a haven for Community Hockey within the TOVP. Higgins Park will be a showpiece with modern facilities and become a hive of activity, which I gather is the goal here. I used to walk my dog there everyday, and during that time I saw burnt out cars on the ground, the clubroom was nearly burnt down by vandals, the Tennis Club was broken into regularly, broken glass in the carparks where cars had obviously been broken into, homeless people living behind the clubrooms and signs of drug use. Having more people around for longer will help to curtail these instances and improve the safety of the area. Improved lighting will also help.</p> <p>Although there is an option here for Football and Hockey to coexist on the same grounds, I cannot see why the Raiders Football Club are not willing to consider moving to Harold Rossiter Reserve, at which there is NO WINTER SPORT being played, more space and bigger clubrooms. The location is ideal with it being right next door to Kent St High School, and the Rotary House, from which many of their players have to walk to Higgins Park currently to train. I strongly support the development the development of an Artificial Hockey Turf on Higgins Park</p>	Noted	N
545	<p>Option 1 & 2 would lead to the destruction of the Junior Football club. The club supports junior girls and boy sports development. Option 3 allows for continue public use of the oval and survival of the club. Enclosed facilities (synthetic turf) are elitist and deny general community access. There is limited 'public' green space in the Town of Vic Park. Option 1 & 2 further limit this space. The costs of such a facility can not be justified; PLUS there are existing hockey facilities at Curtin University!</p>	Noted	N
546	<p>The synthetic hockey turf in addition to the additional trees, make option 1 most appealing. I strongly support the prospect of a hockey turf in Victoria Park, but also want to see the rest of higgins Park benefit from the upgrade</p>	Noted	N
548	<p>Victoria Park Panthers Hockey Club have for years needed A grade turf facilities to host and play top level state hockey at a place which is truly our own and not rented for an hour at at time. Junior players also need this to help develop the skills that will make the Panthers a club that the whole town can be proud of.</p>	Noted	N

549	I believe it is important for all sporting clubs to have the ability to share the facilities. Option 1 and option 2 provide for an inclusive environment for all to participate. With option 3, one local sporting club with a base of 700 members will miss out. It's important that all clubs are able to stay within the TOVP.	Noted	N
550	I believe the community would benefit from multiple sports at one venue and the redevelopment will be a big boost to community sport. Other sites are under utilised but cannot be used	Noted	N
551	Vic Park hockey club needs turf. Had been put off for too long	Noted	N
552	I feel my choices allow the most diverse range of options for the community, in regards to sporting facilities, parks and access to the space.	Noted	N
554	I feel like developing a synthetic turf at Higgins Park is contrary to retaining the community feel and use of Higgins Park. Particularly with option 2, as this would mean all the Vic Park hockey club people would be utilising most of Higgins Park for large parts of the weekends. In both Options 1 & 2 there is an introduction of barriers to the use of space due to the hockey population. Additionally there will be noise, lighting and traffic issues due to the increase population and night use of the turf. The synthetic turf also prevents the football club from being able to operate from the location at the required capacity and would require the club to move to an unknown location.	Noted	N

555	<p>Overall - Only Options ONE or TWO adequately address the Masterplan goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space). • Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. (A modern turf field AS WELL as grass (for football or hockey) maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a modern sport facility) • Enhance and provide passive recreation amenity to the local community. A synthetic turf field will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use. • Make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park). It would be not a responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces if it does not maximise usage. <p>Specifically:</p> <p>Masterplan Option 1 (Hockey and football)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meets the needs of all sports user groups • Strong connectivity and walking paths • Allows adequate lighting for all sports users, • Provides strong community elements, activity notes on the Creation Street is critical for the aging population on that side of Higgins, • Co-location of club rooms and parking seems to be adequately provided. • Includes 53 new trees compared to Option 3 which only includes 48. • Impact on adjoining residents is minimized due to location of key activities and tree canopy cover. • Club rooms and access into the tennis area is great and helps bring the various sports groups together. • Small play area (4) could be enlarged. <p>Masterplan Option 2 (Hockey Only)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Great play area (4) and this is a must in the Higgins masterplan. • Co-location of club rooms seems more beneficial and functional for cricket, tennis and 	Noted	N
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hockey.

- Viewing from the clubrooms will be a great asset for the tennis club and their grass fields.
- Activity nodes on the Creation Street is critical for the aging population on that side of Higgins and the increased trees is a great outcome.
- This Option and Option 1 show the less impact on established trees and
- The connectivity with the path network is really useable and functional.

Masterplan Option 3 (Football only)

- Does not include hockey and meet needs of all sports user groups
- Does not maximum use of Town's premier active recreation and sports space
- Does not adequately address Masterplan goals

556	<p>Keeping Playfield Street open is important for traffic circulation. A big community playground would be beneficial for all members and families within the community.</p> <p>Hockey is a growing sport in both WA and Australia, it is important to support its growth by allowing clubs within the community to grow, a synthetic turf is essential to this. By helping clubs grow we support the youth within the community and help them to have healthy and happy sport based lives, keeping youth away from unhealthy habits and life choices.</p> <p>I am 26 years old and the Victoira Park Hockey Club helped me personally to become a happy and motivated young individual in the community. Without hockey and the support that comes with it I do not believe I would be the successful person I am today. Help this club to grow thier base and therefore enrich the lives of many more individuals into the future.</p>	Noted	N
557	<p>Would love for Vic Park to finally get the synthetic turf it needs whilst still supporting the existing clubs.</p>	Noted	N
558	<p>I only found out about these plans for Higgins Park last week, apparently there was a survey sent to surrounding streets early this year - I did not receive this. I do not support the hockey field plan, this would reduce the public use purpose for the park.</p>	Noted	N
560	<p>I believe there is space for both hockey, and AFL within vic park, but if VPXHC is to operate out of one location, then higgins is the best option.</p>	Noted	N
561	<p>Am a strong supporter of the long term investment into the local hocley club and building an Premier league facility for grass and turf teams.</p>	Noted	N
563	<p>The hockey club is a premier league club and is forcing players to move to other clubs who have their own turf.</p>	Noted	N

565	<p>Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space).</p> <p>Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. (A modern turf field AS WELL as grass (for football or hockey) maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a modern sport facility)</p> <p>Enhance and provide passive recreation amenity to the local community. A synthetic turf field will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use.</p> <p>Make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park). It would be not a responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces if it does not maximise usage.</p> <p>Hockey will activate the site and increase lighting and community safety.</p>	Noted	N
566	<p>I have been playing hockey since 1975, and during this period I have had the opportunity to play in Victoria, where many clubs have synthetic turfs. By having a synthetic turf, the club has the opportunity of being operational for the whole year. Currently, if a club only has grass hockey fields, they are generally shared with another sport during the summer, eg cricket. A synthetic turf also gives you the option of training and playing at night. Currently, clubs with synthetic turfs run night time competitions during the week, which assists clubs financially.</p>	Noted	N
567	<p>Hockey turf would make it cheaper for locals to play.</p>	Noted	N
568	<p>Only option ! and @ adequately address the Masterplan goals.</p> <p>This will maximise and modernise the recreation and sporting use of the site.</p> <p>It will also open the site up to more VARIETY of sports which will be utilised by a larger age range of players. Hockey, in particular, involves a large number of actively playing seniors which is a great boost to the vibrancy of the community and demonstrates excellent, inclusive behaviour.</p>	Noted	N
569	<p>They really need to be in one area for turf and grass games.</p>	Noted	N

570	How come they dont have a turf pitch when they're palying Premier League. All teh other premier leagues teams do. What's wrong with Vic Park Council?	Noted	N
571	Really surprising that Vic Park a Premier League hickey team dont have a turf pitch of their won. Just strange and I wonder what the City Council is doing here? People will move out of the area to play at clubs who have their own turf pitch	Noted	N
572	<p>With a Club the size of the Raiders, the addition of a hockey turf would immediately require a partial or full relocation of the footy club. This would create a large and ongoing headache for the Council, and the Council (and Hockey Club) have already stated that this is not their desired outcome.</p> <p>Raiders play footy competitions on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. There is very limited to share the space on these days which will immediately cause friction.</p> <p>Consideration therefore must be given to alternatives -</p> <p>The Hockey Club have access to Curtin's under-utilised turf, plus the opportunity to partner with local high schools on turf options. The Raiders do not have this flexibility. There is no other ground in the TOVP which can cater to the Raiders significant spatial needs.</p> <p>Finally - option three is the most cost effective option in terms of council spend.</p>	Noted	N
573	<p>I feel the option of displacing an existing sporting club/tenant, to appease another is nonsensical. Given football is the key winter incumbent, it makes sense that given an upgrade is happening, the incumbent has the ability to stay and flourish. Personally I've played sport all of my life and a sense of club is enhanced by the facilities and co-location of all teams. I understand that's why hockey want to move to Higgins, but given that is to the detriment of the Raiders, this doesn't seem feasible. I have two young boys who will likely play football and this definitely played some part in choosing where we live (we are a street back from Higgins).</p> <p>Financially hockey is also the most prohibitive and the visual downside and space reduction of a fenced synthetic turf is also a negative.</p> <p>Putting aside what happens from a sporting perspective, I think the overall plan is magnificent and it is fantastic to see TOVP upgrade the entire site (along with some of the other current and recent park projects). Very happy to see a basketball court is going in as these are pretty sparse across the Town currently and obviously the two existing playgrounds are a little jaded so an upgrade will be well received. Not sure if you had a hand in the new tennis courts, but they are also great! Look forward to this being finished. Footy for the win! Thanks.</p>	Noted	N

574	Greater opportunities for all sports to be played. This is only fair. Everyone should be given the opportunity to keep fit and healthy.	Noted	N
575	My son has a greater interest in cricket and football and Vic Park Raiders are the existing tenant at this location. I believe supporting the existing establishment should be the Town of Vic Park's first priority	Noted	N
576	As a member of the Vic Park Hockey Club, the need for Hockey facilities is main reason for my selection.	Noted	N
578	My brother grew up playing football at Vic Park Raiders, I grew up playing hockey at Vic Park Panthers. We both went to Millen Primary School, so I have a strong affiliation with all. I would love a new turf but I don't want the other groups to suffer. We have been fighting for this for a long time and I just want to see a solution for all!	Noted	N
579	As a rate payer I oppose any fenced off synthetic turf taking away public open space in my community. Ratepayer funds should not be used for only a select few. Open \spaces which can be used by all the community must remain the focus of Victoria Park to sup[port all residents.	Noted	N
580	I support the choice which allows grater mixed and public use of grassed area - synthetic areas limit public use. I am opposed to the removal of mature trees within the town - we are already lacking of these. Urban wildlife need these areas to continue to survive - not to thrive, but to simply survive. Synthetic turf creates heat and as an inner city suburb we need to reduce urban heat initiatives.	Noted	N
581	Make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park). It would be not a responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces if it does not maximise usage	Noted	N
582	We have traditionally used Higgins Park through 3 generations of our family junior sporting activities and would like this to continue into the future particularly as it relates to Junior Football and Cricket.	Noted	N

583	<p>Environmental impact of synthetic turf for the life that the turf is used and what happens at the end of life once the turf needs to be replaced? Hockey is a declining sport in levels of participation we should be investing in facilities for our future need. There is substantial evidence supporting this through the Department of Local Government Sport and Cultural Industries that the Town of Victoria Park is well aware of. Top three sports in this report trends are AFL, Tennis and Soccer. I also do not believe that an existing sports club should be moved to accommodate for another club/code.</p> <p>https://www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/department/publications/publication/0d2abe60-6ee5-481d-bfb1-212fb85e0a92</p>	Noted	N
584	The city needs to provide the ability for the local hockey community to develop a synthetic ground. Other sporting codes have designated sporting facilities and hockey has evolved to be a game played on synthetic turf, grass is no longer a genuine alternative.	Noted	N
587	I play hockey on turf and would like the TOVP to support my club. I also think the big playground is needed - there's nothing really great for kids in the area and it will fill that need. Bigger playground the better.	Noted	N
588	We need a hockey turf!	Noted	N
589	Vlc Park Hockey club need a hockey turf to support especially their development of their juniors in the VP area. The turf will be paramount in providing a strong support for hockey amongst the community for years to come.	Noted	N
590	Moving the Raiders is completely unacceptable. Option 3 is the preferred outcome.	Noted	N
591	<p>As a parent of a child who enjoys hockey as her main junior sport having access to a synthetic turf is very important to her progression and enjoyment of the game.</p> <p>Additionally as a ratepayer I support the proposal that a local hockey club with a large and active membership across all ages and genders has access to a quality turf facility which will continue to grow its membership and result in equity for ratepayers.</p> <p>I would like the details about the membership of the tennis and croquet clubs relative to the size of their facilities made available to support equity in community facilities.</p>	Noted	N
592	The hockey club will greatly benefit from having their own synthetic turf field at Higgins Park	Noted	N

593	Playfield closure gives more public open space (help offset any lost). Big playground sorely needed for this part of east vic park - playgrounds at Rossiter / Frazer parks are inadequately small for the little kids. I used to drive mine all the way to Belmont (Volcano) or Como (macdougall park) for a decent playground. Option 2 has most tree planting - I like trees. Support option for most trees! Yes support hockey - opens up this sporting space to wider variety of users and supports this successful, all ages club.	Noted	N
595	I strongly support the development of in the Vic Park community and believe that the construction of a synthetic hockey turf will assist in the development and increased opportunity for the hockey club whilst still providing space for the cricket and football.	Noted	N
599	a good playground and synthetic hockey turf will bring outside people of Victoria Park into the area. a lot of these people will spend money in Vic Park either through going for a coffee, out for tea or down to the pub for a drink after their games. more money into the local businesses has to be good.	Noted	N
600	It is a fantastic location to provide Vic Park Hockey with some great facilities. The club has provided a lot for the local area in its long history and this is a good way to help the club to grow and be apart of it within the Vic Park community	Noted	N
602	The Town of Victoria Park needs to look after its communities. The hockey club is an important part of the community and deserves its own space.	Noted	N
603	Provided the footy club can be fully relocated, Hockey provides a more diverse option for all ages.	Noted	N
604	Vic Park Hockey Club is a family focussed club whose future relies on having a synthetic turf. We have been working towards a turf for at least the ten years I have been with the club. Like many people, the club has been central to my family life. While we don't live in Vic Park my children both attended school in Vic Park and we love the area. We would be devastated if the club had to move out of the area.	Noted	N
606	Option 2 caters for all sports in the area. More community minded and open for all users.	Noted	N
608	I think a synthetic hockey turf would ruin the park for other users.	Noted	N

609	Footy is not the only sport in Vic Park!!	Noted	N
611	I think we should be preserving open green space and am opposed to Astro turf.	Noted	N
612	<p>Option 1 is the worst option for all involved and no stakeholder group will get what they want. Football is further displaced, hockey does not achieve the sense of community they suggest they need to survive, and the community lose access to their beautiful open space. It will result in overuse of the oval in winter hockey and football are not compatible in such close proximity. Not to mention impacts of the hockey facility on local residents (lighting, noise, traffic, parking). Option 2 is completely unacceptable as it results in relocation of the Raiders from their home. Displacing one club who has strong bonds and connection to the local community to suit another is completely unfathomable. The community will lose access to a considerable amount of their beautiful open space and not to mention impacts of the hockey facility on local residents (lighting, noise, traffic, parking).</p> <p>Option 3 is the only option that truly optimises the park usage, meets the expectations of the community, meets all the masterplan objectives (particularly maintenance of all mature trees) and does not have considerable negative impacts on the community.</p>	Noted	N
614	<p>It does not seem fair or proper that the AFL club is forced to relocate to make way for a sport that is not particularly well supported / participated in by the wider community.</p> <p>The playfield configuration in option 1 seems to be a fair compromise on the face of it - allowing AFL to remain along with cricket and the possibility of synthetic hockey.</p> <p>However, the proposal only mentions the initial cost - it does not mention the upkeep and from prior experience I am aware that synthetic pitches can be VERY expensive to maintain.</p> <p>Parking is already limited in that area, so the council will need to make sure sufficient parking (and access) is available to ensure a safe environment for all. Along with further disclosure as to how much tree removal is actually required / necessary.</p>	Noted	N

615	<p>Under Option 1 the park will be crowded, overused and no sporting group get what they want. Football will be further displaced impacting on their sense of community. A stand alone hockey turf does not meet the expectations of hockey WA for turf developments and does not meet the clubs needs either. Putting a hockey turf on Higgins Park in such close proximity to residences will have an unprecedented impact on local residents. There are no turfs in Perth located in such close proximity to residents on so many sides. Turfs are noisy, bring traffic, parking, bright lights, whistles, PA systems late into the evening. It is unfair to ask local residents to accept this.</p> <p>Option 2 is completely unacceptable as it results in relocation of the Raiders from their home. Displacing one club who has strong bonds and connection to the local community to suit another is completely unfathomable. Impact on local residents as above.</p> <p>Option 3 is the only option that maintains the open space of the park for the community and also optimises the use of the park by football and cricket. It meets all the masterplan objectives (particularly maintenance of all mature trees) and does not have considerable negative impacts on the community.</p>	Noted	N
616	My eldest child has been a member of the VPJFC since he was 8 he's now 14 and to lose this great Family Friendly Footy Club to somewhere else would be a real disappointment. Older family members have also been involved with this great club!!	Noted	N
617	Love my Hockey and want see this sport grow in our local community, so one day I can enjoy being a spectator close to home	Noted	N
618	<p>I strongly disagree with number 1 and 2 because we would loose the open space which is so beautiful. I really deeply believe we need spaces like this to have healthy lives , I live half a block away from Higging and I don't think this is the place to put a hockey court surrounded by houses!! I have learned that hockey courts in this area are widely available and one just at Curtin University !</p> <p>I do strongly support option 3 as I think it will enhance the Area.</p>	Noted	N
622	I am strongly in favour of a synthetic hockey turf however I'm not in favour of relocating football.	Noted	N
623	Increase sport choices. Site modernisation. Enhance outdoor activities. Maximise town asset usage.	Noted	N

624	I support the development of a synthetic hockey field at Higgins Park	Noted	N
625	Increase sport choices. Site modernisation. Enhance outdoor activities. Maximise town asset usage.	Noted	N
626	Increase sport choices. Site modernisation. Enhance outdoor activities. Maximise town asset usage.	Noted	N
627	Increase sport choices. Site modernisation. Enhance outdoor activities. Maximise town asset usage.	Noted	N
628	Option 1 provides all Sporting groups and community groups with playable space, improved grounds and amenities. A multi sport venue meets the current and future needs and growth of the sporting clubs	Noted	N
629	In the past my children have played both hockey and football within the town. I think it is important that a variety of sports are catered for within the town. Currently there are numerous ovals/options for football but limited options for playing hockey. It is important to stop young people leaving sport to ensure adequate facilities are provided. All successful hockey clubs need a synthetic turf assigned to the club.	Noted	N
630	The inclusion of a synthetic hockey turf is a great addition and will make more hockey attractive as costs will be lower	Noted	N
631	I believe a hockey turf is a valuable addition to the community. It diversifies the range of sports played in the area which is beneficial for all.	Noted	N
633	By providing a multi sport and outdoor space a larger number of people (of all ages) have the opportunity to be active and a part of the community, which in turn increases the physical and mental health of people. A synthetic hockey turf would not only support the local hockey club numbers but attract more players to the club which would see an increase in business to the local community. In general the plan will also invigorate the area and increase community safety.	Noted	N

634	Hockey is a growing sport which requires facilities for kids (and adults!) to play on. Grass hockey turfs are great, but the community needs more artificial turf for our kids to practice on to be able to excel at the game. Hockey player on turf is an entirely different game than on grass. Turf practice builds athletes who are able to compete nationally and internationally.	Noted	N
635	We oppose hockey booting football off this space. And we support this space being able to be used by as much of the community as possible.	Noted	N
636	We desperately need more hockey playing areas	Noted	N
637	Sporting clubs die without youth coming through the club. Kids need to play on the best surfaces and be part of an integrated club. I want to see a synthetic surface next to grass field so that kids , ladies and men ie families can all play at the one location.	Noted	N
638	Need more hockey turfs	Noted	N
639	I am wondering if a synthetic turf and one grass field could be accommodated with a football oval? I play hockey but I realise that it's not the only sport in the world and don't mind sharing the space with as much other sports as possible to bring the community together.	Thanks for your comment. Unfortunately the space at Higgins Park would not accommodate one football oval, one grass turf and one synthetic turf. The grass turf and football oval would overlap, and with both being winter sports, this would not be suitable. Thank you for your suggestion.	N
640	I want the space to include all and retain the current trees and open spaces	Noted	N
641	Need for turf facility at local club. Ability to improve facilities at Higgins park and improve the amenity of area	Noted	N

642	<p>Bringing another sport to the area will activate the green space at Higgins Park. Multiple groups of people using the shared space, is ideal.</p> <p>Innovative design and combining uses can lead to highly activated public spaces. Well done. Perfect for inner city living. Green space doesn't just have to be grass.</p>	Noted	N
643	<p>Hockey is a fantastic community sport, being inclusive and participants ranging in age from 4 - 80 across both genders. Clubs need facilities to continue to support their members and a combined sporting complex to include hockey, football and cricket would build community spirit and be well utilised.</p>	Noted	N
645	<p>I support these options to allow the maximum use of the space for active recreation activities. Incorporating a synthetic hockey turf will maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. It will support multiple users from all ages (from young children through to seniors) while also retaining a large portion of grassed open space that can support different sporting and recreational activities. It will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use.</p>	Noted	N

646	<p>Primarily the installation of synthetic turf would negatively impact residents access and use of the park and reduce available greenspace as it effectively gives sole control of that space to the hockey club and is hardly a multi use facility. Related to this is that the hockey turf will have significant impacts on the environment not only through removing greenspace but also the removal of mature trees in a general sustainability sense (carbon cost and timing given the replacement trees will take time to grow) and more particularly the effect of lights and removal of habitat on local birdlife which currently seems quite healthy to me. It is likely the hockey turf will also lead to increased noise, traffic and light pollution for residents especially at night. It is also currently unclear to me that there exists a clear need or business case for the new hockey turf versus utilising existing facilities in close proximity especially given the high cost of the facility and the fact that it likely will still not provide an ideal solution as no numbers underpinning this assumption seem to have been provided.</p> <p>The impact on the Raiders football club also seems to be unfair given effectively they would have to move under Option 1 and 2, and currently appear to utilise the space well (almost perfectly) during the winter period and be a successful well established local group who seem to share the park well (what little space they aren't using) with other users during peak periods (dogs, walkers, fitness groups etc). Finally, I don't think option 1 or 2 suit any group particularly well as the siting of the club rooms prevent close access or good viewing angles for any of the sports being played, football may have to move or if they grow split themselves across locations, and hockey may still be at multiple locations and along with this the associated cost is still high.</p>	Noted	N
647	There needs to be better hockey facilities in the area	Noted	N
648	I don't believe this park which surrounded on all 3 sides by residential and is also raised (so sounds travel more) is a better option than somewhere like Kent St Park which has limited residential and larger spaces for example the North most oval which is mostly under-utilised except for councillors walking their dogs is a better option.	Noted	N
649	Cost of Synthetic Hockey facilities - reduction of space available to public (hockey is fenced) - less disruption to existing trees.	Noted	N

650	I have seen a number of mixed use facilities across Perth and other states and countries and having these facilities presents a great opportunity for increased community integration and networking amongst others. An increase to efficient use of POS within the ToVP is my preference and bringing everyone together and having this facility gives the town the opportunity to create a first class facility.	Noted	N
651	I have two children who play hockey and cricket. Access to a turf hockey field in the area would be great if accessible to their club and extend their club hockey experience throughout the year. My main interest is in the sporting field configuration and both option 1 and 2 for the sporting fields allow both hockey and cricket.	Noted	N
652	We have a lot of football options in our local area . It would be great to have a hockey facility that is integrated in the community space with playgrounds etc.	Noted	N
654	Options 1 and 2 will have a detrimental effect on a football club supported heavily by the community. Club can't survive under first two proposals. There are other avenues for the hockey club. They should leave Higgins Park alone.	Noted	N
655	My son has played football with the Raiders for 5 years and we are part of this community. I can't understand why ToVP would want to disrupt this growing football community, particularly with the rise of girls/women football. We've waited a long time for an upgrade to our facilities.	Noted	N
657	I feel the area will benefit from having these additional modern facilities. All sporting codes should be supported in the area.	Noted	N
659	Only Options 1 or 2 adequately address the Masterplan goals. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site • Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site • A synthetic turf field will allow active sport as well as passive activity when the grass fields are not in use • Make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park). It would be not a responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces if it does not maximise usage. • Hockey will activate the site and increase lighting and community safety 	Noted	N

660	Hockey facilities are sadly lacking within the Victoria Park Council area while both Football and cricket are well catered for	Noted	N
661	<p>Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space).</p> <p>Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. (A modern turf field AS WELL as grass (for football or hockey) maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a modern sport facility)</p> <p>Enhance and provide passive recreation amenity to the local community. A synthetic turf field will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use.</p> <p>Make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park). It would be not a responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces if it does not maximise usage.</p> <p>Hockey will activate the site and increase lighting and community safety.</p>	Noted	N
664	Options 1 and 2 address the goals of the masterplan by optimising usage of the site, in both an active way (new sport with a large club participation from juniors and seniors to masters) and passive way (recreation on grass fields when not in use). These options make the best use of the space available for the greatest number of participants. To keep the site for single junior football club, which does not need a full size oval would not be in the best interest of the community as there are options available to suit all involved, as well as nearby open space such as Harrold Rossiter.	Noted	N
665	Synthetic turf is expensive to maintain and environmentally unsound. Fenced off is NOT public open space regardless of the definition and looks like a prison enclosure.	Noted	N
666	There is a significant lack of Synthetic hockey facilities in perth to grow junior and senior talent. These options provide the ability to grow hockey whilst retaining all the facilities of other sporting codes at this recreational park.	Noted	N
667	As a member of the Vic park Raiders I would like to preserve the football club which is compromised by option 1 and excluded by option 2	Noted	N
668	I am a member of the Vic Park raiders football club and both option 1 and 2 severly compromise or outright exclude the clubs operation	Noted	N

669	Option one or two would mean the demise of the football club as it is at present. No satisfactory alternative facility has been offered by the council hence nothing should happen. I don't understand why the council is proposing this when so many hockey facilities are so close.	Noted	N
670	I am a Vic Park hockey member and love the idea of the hockey turf and extra hockey fields this is why I have supported option 1 & 2	Noted	N
671	All options are too expensive for very little additional amenity. Typical ToVP quantity over quality again! Too many projects in the town are trying to be special and feature rich rather than being simply good. The over decorated un-restful design approach strikes again, though far from the worst attempt going on in the town. Try doing just excellent simple green space for the majority of the site please.	Noted	N
673	In my opinion, It would be much preferable to have the complete hockey club to be based at Higgins hence I prefer the pitch and 2 grass fields option. I am neutral with just a hockey turf as under that option the grass grades and grass junior grades will be at different locations and for me its all about bringing the hockey club to one location. I feel the footy club should be relocated to Harold Rossiter and particularly given the vitriol I've seen on social media by various groups (you know who they are) - I can't see the hockey club and the footy club to be good co-tenants of the common space. I do find the position advocated by the Friends of Higgins Park on their Facebook page of making "Higgins Park Master Plan an Election issue in 2021 and 2023 " as unhelpful. On that, I strongly applaud the council for investing in the town's infrastructure - the lathlain oval development, the lathlain place redevelopment, and the lots of tree's being planted over many years are starting to improve the amenity... well done.	Noted	N
675	both clubs should have new high quality facilities	Noted	N
678	I think a turf should be able to fit in this large space, to accommodate different sporting needs. We need to ensure cricket and footy can also remain here, so everyone has an opportunity to try a range of sport, not 3 hockey grounds, and not all footy	Noted	N
679	The hockey club is exceptionally well run and an asset to our community, but it is crippled by not having artificial turf.	Noted	N

680	I have been involved in football with my son and now my grandchildren football is popular to boys and girls hockey is not so I suggest Higgins park is left as is and a public open space for all to enjoy. Hockey fields are already at Curtin stadium make Curtin stadium more affordable to clubs and associations.	Noted	N
682	Vic Park Panthers are a strong member of the community and do not have sufficient training facilities. They have youth sport programs from 2 and 3 years old which is great for my family and anything that can be done to help support the club is strongly supported.	Noted	N
683	Optimise regional activity recreation opportunities on the site. Bringing a new site will mean the oval is utilised far more. It can be used for more types of sport and for varying age groups.	Noted	N
684	I would like to see option 2 as it would allow the Vic Park Panthers to unite fully as a club as the turf will help to provide for all grades. And this will make for a positive outcome for the community.	Noted	N
685	To achieve the Masterplan goals only options 1 and 2 provide opportunity to maximise usage and modernise the site. A new sport would be introduced which includes all age players (including seniors). The facilities will provide for greater usage but also retain open grass space. Options 1 and 2 will ensure that ToVP assets work for the community. The hockey fields will be used for passive recreation when not in use.	Noted	N
687	Sport is so very important in keeping kids engaged and involved in their community- we should do everything we can to offer as much as we can across all interests- let it be a meeting point for sports and people of all ages and skills.	Noted	N
688	its fine hpw it is	Noted	N
689	I believe that it is very important for Vic Park Hockey club to have a synthetic turf surface and this would be an excellent location for it. I beige that there is only 1 other club in first division without a turf and they are well on their way to getting one.	Noted	N

690	<p>The TOVP has marauded this as an opportunity to decide the future use of Higgins Park; however, rather than a master plan this is yet another attempt to sneak a town owned synthetic hockey turf past previous community outcry. Destroying good green open space to favour a very small percentage of town residents is not reasonable or fair. The installation of a synthetic hockey turf is at odds with the town's greening strategy requiring unnecessary removal of established trees. Fencing off public open space means only a select few can use the space - the hockey club has not shown any interest in community engagement until it benefits them (walking hockey). The football club has always engaged the surrounding community and share the park with the community. Increasing sport codes at Higgins Park will mean community access is reduced. There is limited green open space where we can enjoy the outdoors in the town. The master plan is very kid focussed and does not address any formal engagement with adults residing within the TOVP. What about other community activities like a community vege garden? Where is the community in the master plan - it seems like we've been left off the list and without a voice. Incredibly disappointing given we fund this through our rates.</p>	Noted	N
691	<p>Happy for park to be improved, developed. Would prefer open spaces without fences to be kept, I walk my dog daily there, use the oval for exercise and live around the corner so a fenced hockey field would mean that would become unavailable.</p>	Noted	N
692	<p>Sufficient Hockey facilities within the local area. ie. curtain</p>	Noted	N
693	<p>Hockey fields should remain.</p>	Noted	N
694	<p>The hockey club with a synthetic turf and supporting grass fields will be a great boost to the club stature and continue to provide significant opportunity for members of the local community to be involved in different sporting opportunities.</p>	Noted	N
695	<p>The footy club is such a fantastic family area. And brings such a great community family vibe.</p>	Noted	N

696	The space is heavily used by the existing clubs and other community groups. A fully fenced-off artificial turf hockey field will squeeze out existing community users from the space for a single-use activity which would then remain unavailable to others year-round. This would be an extremely undemocratic result. For the Playfield options I'm not sure why parking on the Millen Primary side of the road was not considered: as with all schools parking at peak times around the school is nuts, but all of ohe options seem to reduce the parking near the school buildings to add more further down near the proposed clubrooms. Playfield reserve could definitely do with a lift and I woudl fully support the provision of an amphitheatre in that location.	Noted	N
699	No to artificial turf It's bad for the environment	Noted	N
700	Option 3 is the only option that keeps the park open for everyone in the community to use without fencing or artificial turf. Option 3 allows continued full utilization of all required fields for the Vic Park Raiders, who have been here for > 70 years. Hockey currently has other options - can continue to use Fletcher for grass fields and Curtin for artificial turfs. Please keep the valuable and rare green space of Higgins park and do not put artificial turf.	Noted	N
703	There is no turf facilities for hockey in the VP area. Playing surfaces have moved on and grass fields are no longer leading state sport facilities. VP has a great family club vibe and needs to be retained. A pitch is necessary for this to happen	Noted	N
704	I have affiliations with more than one club using these facilities however recognise the need for a hockey turf. Vic Park is very disadvantaged - current turf training at Curtin is crowded and time limited - before our grand final our Yr9//10 girls and boys shared 1/4 of a hockey turf - our competitor have their own turf. Higgins park offers opportunity for numerous sports clubs to share facilities providing capacity for a range of sports clubs within the town	Noted	N
705	The Town of Victoria Park has identified Higgins Park as a potentially suitable location for a turf hockey field and grass grounds for the Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club which we have been seeking for some 18 years. I am strongly of the ivew that all local sporting clubs have a right to suitable, modern facilities whithin the Town of Victoria Park and with the club's continued expansion,the time is now to progress our request. However, any outcome should not be at the detriment of any other club on the Higgins Park Site.	Noted	N

706	The more sports you have active the more the community will interact and the safer individuals will feel when walking home at night.	Noted	N
709	Should be left for the footy kids as it always has been party of a local community vibe.	Noted	N
710	No fenced off hockey field ruining the park please. Thats a public space and there are plenty of other hockey options in Perth	Noted	N
711	Consider locating the hockey field in the recently demolished Archives building if this is available. We need to retain as much open green space as possible as the area becomes more densely populated.	Noted	N
712	Alot of people exercise in this park and we need more kids playgrounds in EVP	Noted	N
713	We need synthetic turf but would like to make this area useable for multiple sports.	Noted	N
714	Our family is involved in cricket, football and tennis. We know that any hockey turf will displace our football club to some extent and we love that all our football is in one place and is local to us. Our kids go to Millen and we love the idea that the school and park will be linked in Option 3. What a wonderful, innovative plan.	Noted	N
715	I have enjoyed the park a lot with my young daughter since we moved in to this area a little over a year ago. It has a nice community feel to it, there are always people enjoying the space. Having a private fenced off hokey field would reduce my enjoyment of the space. It doesn't seem appropriate to prioritize a private club over the wishes of the community. Cutting down mature trees is never nice, I was quite sad to see one of the big pine trees get cut down a few months back, but that was obviously due to it being a danger after a storm and had to be done, cutting down mature trees for a club on the other hand is not nice. We live very close to where the hokey field is proposed to go and I'm also concerned about the extra light pollution from it. Thank you	Noted	N

716	<p>I have some misgivings about the suitability of a fenced hockey pitch for this site. Higgins park already gets quite busy at the height of cricket and football season, especially on Saturdays. The space required for a fenced hockey pitch, will, I believe use up too much of the available space with the rest of the park users having to make do with what is left over. I am however, not against a turfed, unfenced hockey pitch, that can be utilised for other purposes when hockey is not being played on it. Most Saturdays the park is already full of football players during the football season, and has a cricket match which utilises a large portion of the existing space during the cricket season, The periphery is used by dog walkers and others during these activities. Something would have to go to make space for the hockey pitch.</p>	Noted	N
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717	<p>Options 1 and 2: Installing a fenced, synthetic hockey turf in this space-constrained location, so close to houses is completely inappropriate due to: the impacts on residents from noise (plus, the hockey club adults train until much later at night than the children in VPJFC), heat from synthetic turf, and very bright lights; a large section of PUBLIC OPEN SPACE being excluded from public use (unless you pay a fee); the high exclusion fencing around the hockey pitch would impact on the aesthetics. Mature tree removal is not supported - the figures for retention of existing trees directly adjacent to the synthetic hockey turf is misleading - these trees would need to be removed or would die due to root damage. Options 1 and 2 clubroom locations would remove the 'climbing trees' - this is unacceptable - the local children love climbing these trees more than playing at the playground. Why is ToVP considering displacing or closing down a junior football club that has more than 90% of its players being ToVP residents for a hockey club that has 44% of its players being ToVP residents?</p> <p>Option 1: would spread junior football club players across multiple sites and would result in player drop-outs from the club and reduced (much-needed) revenue from canteen sales; there would be huge traffic and parking impacts on residents from two winter sports being played at the same time; there would be competition for toilets, change rooms when hockey and football games are played at the same time; confusing/competing noises from whistles, sirens; not enough room for spectators to view football and hockey games at the same time. Safety/injury issues with the hockey wall/fence and the footpath being so close to the football oval edge and the synthetic cricket pitch in the football oval.</p> <p>Option 2: there is nowhere else within the Town of Victoria Park to relocate the two football ovals and clubrooms. Closing down a children's sporting club (with large player numbers and a very strong community) to fulfil a want for a hockey club to have all of their facilities in one location is unjust. ToVP Council shows pride in having the Optus Stadium, the West Coast Eagles training facilities and the Perth Demons (making it to the finals), yet seems willing to contemplate closing down the only junior AFL club in ToVP. The VPJFC has created many successful AFL and WAFL players, such as Michael Johnson, Reece Conca and David Myers.</p> <p>Option 3: would allow the female VPJFC teams to play at their home ground due to the improved lighting that would allow them to play the female football teams' evening games and due to the reconfigured ovals. Residents can continue to access the local football club, cricket facilities, the park for dog-walking, etc. Option 3 is the only option that retains all mature trees and retains PUBLIC OPEN space. With increasing housing density and smaller gardens, ToVP should be retaining as much public, green, open space as possible.</p>	Noted	N
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718	Option 1 gives opportunity to keep fields for various sports.	Noted	N
719	<p>I find the imposition of artificial turf and the removal of trees and shrubs from this public and common area of Higgins Park that is currently accessible for everyone as completely unacceptable.</p> <p>Although the imposition of a hockey turf is compared to the tennis club, hockey is not nearly as social as hockey and furthermore, the tennis club has been there for a long time and so is not comparable to a new hockey field.</p> <p>For the sake of increasing community and a sense of belonging to this area in East Vic Park I consider it imperative that the Town of Vic Park not consider excluding parts of Higgins Park to the community for the sake of a hockey club that already has services available to them in other parts of the town.</p> <p>The suggestion that established trees that have taken so long to grow as beautiful and large as they are, be removed, is unacceptable.</p> <p>It would be a good idea if the whole of the surrounds of the RSL was beautified and greened with large natives, or even a community garden established.</p> <p>It would be a good idea for Higgins Park to be known again by its Noongar name.</p>	Thank you for your comments. Your suggestion regarding the use of the sites Noongar name will be contemplated during Design Development.	N - considered in Design Development
720	<p>I feel that the presence of a fenced hockey field on the HillView Terrace side of the oval will be prohibitive in terms of use of the space, unsightly and in the case of Option 2, moving the Football Club - seems outrageous. There is very little local interest or support for Hockey, and it appears as an elitist grab for space by a small interest group, with little to no community connection.</p> <p>I think other aspects of the plan such as integrating the primary school and expanding the use and involvement of the RSL are inclusive and community minded - but strongly oppose the Hockey field at Higgins Park. I thank you for the opportunity to voice my opinion.</p>	Noted	N

721	because there is no senior football without junior football, if anything juniors should get the priority as they are the players of the future and don't deserve to loose their way of exercise, making friends, learning leadership skills and learning footy skills	Noted	N
722	I support keeping green open space open space that is available for every one to enjoy	Noted	N
723	I believe that all grades of hockey should be co-located at one field and venue. Separating various grades and aspects of hockey will be a significant disadvantage to Hockey Administration. Parking in Fred Bell Parade. Please be aware the more than 300 people have attended the ANZAC Eve Services at the WW1 and WW2 memorial. Many attendees need disability access. If a Play Ground is constructed on the Slope between the Tennis courts and Fred Bell Parade, Parking on Fred Bell Parade will be essential for parents.	Noted	N
725	I selected these choices as I do not support any verge parking on playfield St, due to increased danger of children crossing the road from sport/school & reduced visibility for oncoming cars. I strongly oppose any fenced synthetic turf facility on Higgins Park, due to negative environmental impact, negative residential impacts via lights, noise & increased traffic. I only support option 3-as it rejects all fenced synthetic turf infrastructure, I believe this option is the most considerate & inclusive to all members of the community.	Noted	N

726	<p>I am concerned with options that require formalised parking on Playfield St. I believe that this is dangerous, to encourage parking & increased traffic right outside a primary school with children crossing the road, as well as attending sports training and that formalised verge parking constriction will significantly damage the root structure of the mature trees that run all the way along.</p> <p>I strongly Oppose Options 1& 2 due to the fenced, synthetic turf infrastructure. This does not align closely with the council scope, significant negative environmental impacts (including tree removal) as well as negative residential impacts. The Design Needs Analysis clearly stated that the oval was already fully utilised during winter months & I cannot justify relocating a children's sporting club that blends with the oval's size & capacity, that has minimal residential & environmental disturbance-with no other suitable location to go (without impacting other clubs), to benefit, just one local hockey club. Why should so many more clubs be impacted to suit just one?</p> <p>I ask council to please-consider our planet & sustainability, preserving our limited green open space, surrounding residents, & their enjoyment of their home, traffic safety, existing children's clubs, financial cost to ratepayers and Support Option 3 of this Higgins Park Masterplan.</p>	Noted	N
727	<p>There is not enough benches around the park to sit a watch games of any kind or simply to sit and enjoy the peace of the park.</p>	Noted	N
728	<p>I would like to see AFL football continue at Higgins Park it brings an enlightning atmosphere to all families, also to present and past members. It could be shared with 1 hockey oval to encourage more children to participate in other sports as well. It can be a multiplex oval shared by a few different sporting activities and play ground equipment, BBQ areas for families to enjoy.</p>	Noted	N
730	<p>Option 1 does provide an opportunity for a turf in support of a hockey and option 2 does support movement of the hockey club to be a complete club at one site. There are opportunities within the town to move football however no option to provide a turf for hockey so option 3 is not supported.</p>	Noted	N
731	<p>Town of Victoria Park need to provide support to more sporting facilities rather than just football.</p>	Noted	N

732	<p>I believe there is an option for the football to be moved to Harold Rossiter Reserve. It has better change rooms and at the moment Harold Rossiter is under used.</p> <p>The Town needs to support sporting clubs by maximising the use of all playing fields. To keep hockey viable in our town the club needs a synthetic turf.</p>	Noted	N
733	<p>The Raiders football club is very inclusive and a disabled boy played for Raiders for years and was nurtured by his team mates and coaches. My grandson plays for Raiders and his mental and physical health has improved over this time and his confidence has grown. It has also kept him away from screens three times a week with training two times a week and game once a week. There is no where else within the town of Victoria park to relocate the two football clubs and club rooms which would mean closing a children's sporting club that has a strong community and large player numbers. Option three is the only option that retains all the mature trees and keeps public space open.</p>	Noted	N
735	<p>I chose option 3 because it is the only option that promises to retain (and improve) our football club facilities.</p> <p>While we understand and support the concept of sharing space with and helping out other community members, it cannot come at the expense of existing sporting clubs/community members.</p> <p>Options 1 & 2 see VPJFC either having to look for facilities elsewhere to complement space to be able to train and play or leave Higgins Park altogether leaving us 'homeless', faced with an even more detrimental issue Hockey WA seem to be faced with currently.</p> <p>So, I conclude that the master plan has either failed to offer a suitable solution or it is simply not possible to house an additional sporting club while providing all clubs with the required facilities to function and thrive well.</p> <p>Option 3 is the only acceptable solution for improving the living space and quality of our community.</p> <p>Thank you, Julia Gantschew</p>	Noted	N
736	<p>My family have played for vic park hockey club for many years and we don't want the football club to move we simply just want a location for our club to expand using our own turf facilities and it's a great location and won't exclude any sport.</p>	Noted	N

737	<p>Reports provided have shown there is an oversupply of hockey facilities in the area, this along with displacing an existing club to install a turf which would minimise the POS available seems unfair.</p> <p>Ongoing costs for maintenance of the turf and lighting (which are likely to be filtered down into rates, as the Community generally heavily subsidises sporting clubs) in addition to parking congestion and loss of POS make this option less desirable to me and my family.</p> <p>I am excited to see an upgrade happen at Higgins and the concept plans looks fantastic, I just don't want to see the existing Club displaced in order for it to happen.</p>	Noted	N
738	Football club been at Higgins Park long time. Hockey fields at Curtin Uni. If they need more space, why don't they build more hockey fields next to the exist hockey fields at Curtin Uni	Noted	N
739	A synthetic turf only limits it to one sport, the fencing is an eye sore, and the noise is excessive	Noted	N
740	The Raiders Football Club has provided great support mentally and physically to our grandson, Joel Richardson who has improved his physical fitness, gained in confidence and gained social skills. Essential life skills.	Noted	N
741	The current layout provides use to all the community. I've read hockey WA reports which say there is already too many turfs. Why half the space for the public just to suit a club which can use Curtin	Noted	N

742	<p>Design 1 & 2: as stated on the front page of this project - The Town will not support the implementation of a masterplan option that removes any existing users from the site, unless a suitable alternative location that caters to their needs is determined. So unless other grounds have been found for the Football Clubs' use, why are these 2 options even being presented? With the ill feeling in the community already directed at the hockey club as 'the bad club trying to relocate the football club from it's oval' surely these options should only be presented IF the football club has adequate oval access in the Town?</p> <p>In all designs there appears to be limited or no vehicle access to the proposed new building? I am guessing this can't be right as if there are clubs in-house and function facilities, vehicle access to the building needs to be very close for deliveries etc. Also disabled access.</p> <p>I would hate to see all of the turfed hills bordering the reserve removed as they are great facilities for runners, walkers for fitness.</p> <p>My daughter plays at Vic Park Hockey Club and they are an absolutely brilliant community club and I do hope a reserve can be found as their new home with the synthetic turf, 2 grassed fields and a club building - BUT not to the detriment of another sporting club. Split club facilities decreases member involvement at a club's home ground/building and all clubs want to build that sense of community to keep their club viable (member numbers growing or maintained) and also making money through canteen/bar facilities as is possible.</p> <p>I truly believe the best location for the hockey club is Harold Rossiter Reserve especially now that the soccer club has moved from there. With new lighting technology, surely the impact on the surrounding bird life would be greatly reduced? The argument of reduced public amenity because of a fenced area??? It's approx. 100x50m, that still leaves a whole lot of space for dog walking/passive recreation (I know it's already been investigated and don't expect a response on this, just throwing my 5 cents out there).</p>	<p>Thanks for your comments. Your suggestion of locating hockey at Harold Rossiter Park is appreciated, however a feasibility study was completed for this a number of years ago and deemed this location unsuitable. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.</p>	N
743	<p>Higgins Park is used by cricket, football, Outdoor Active boot camp as well as by families and people walking their dog. I do not want to see synthetic grounds and fences obstruct the lovely space. Plus it seems quite unfair (and rather questionable) that another sporting team can just come along and take other team's space?</p>	Noted	N
744	<p>There are synthetic hockey turfs available for use around Curtin University, why try and fix something that is not broken especially when there is an alternative close by? I also enjoy seeing the community use the space freely and would hate to see that jeopardized.</p>	Noted	N

745	<p>As my address indicates, I live across the road from Higgins Park and under no circumstances can I accept a fenced hockey turf on Higgins Park. Proximity to the park was what led my wife and I to buy our current house. We love the outlook and also the space that our young family can use for a variety of recreational purposes.</p> <p>My experience as a member of the local community and the DRG has shown me that the community values the openness and greenness of the park and a fenced synthetic turf will destroy this. Time and time again in the DRG stakeholders consistently fed back that breaking up the space with fences is broadly contrary to the desires of the community as it is the openness of the park that is appreciated.</p> <p>Reports and documentation including the Needs Analysis completed by Dave Lanfear Consulting and even Hockey WA's own reports indicate that it is not appropriate to have a fenced turf so close to local residents. Hockey Club office holders have said to me that the noise and light pollution would be inappropriate in such a location.</p> <p>Any displacement of the Raiders Junior football Club is totally unacceptable. Obviously the Raiders have a long and positive connection to the site - they are a thriving sporting club and their presence is valued by the community. The winter/summer balance with cricket as the other main user is appropriate and maintains the condition of the playing fields. Adding hockey would overload the surface and the idea of moving the Football Club is abhorrent, even if there were somewhere for it to go.</p> <p>For these reasons, Option 2 is totally unacceptable. It should not have even been considered as an option in the Masterplan process, given it was shoe-horned in at the last minute despite advice regarding its unsuitability.</p> <p>Option 1 is inappropriate because of the impact that it would have on the Football club and the fact that a synthetic hockey turf is totally unsuitable in this location.</p> <p>Option 3 is therefore the only one I consider appropriate for this site.</p>	Noted	N
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746	The open space is wonderful for dog walkers, joggers, yoga, and young kids to play. Adding more sports fields would take away from the versatility of the space and add a sense of exclusivity and chaos. The space gives me a sense of freedom and excitement from the open plain grass that just wouldn't feel inviting with more lines on the grass and nets on the field. Please don't ruin one of my favourite places to lie on the ground and watch the sky.	Noted	N
747	All clubs should be considered for the space	Noted	N
748	I would like to retain as many trees and open spaces as possible.	Noted	N
749	Hockey and football CANNOT collocate, due to generous membership of both clubs. There are alternative places more suited for hockey. The lights, car parking and lack of accessible active open space mean Option 3 is the only option. Council need to prioritise it's role in grass roots community participation - not semi elite provision.	Noted	N
750	Have lived here for 30 years. The road is busy enough - no one wants loud, bright senior sports with loads of cars until 10.00 Friday night. Keep it as a junior sport's oval.	Noted	N
752	Please leave park as it is we do not need another hockey field our community needs parks and inclusive open spaces	Noted	N
753	I see a lot of kids climbing the trees alongside the tennis courts, if these were knocked down there will be less activity for the younger kids who are at their siblings game/s looking for something to do. I love playing footy at Higgins and I don't think it's fair for the Hockey club to come here as they have many other options, they could even use the turf that the Australian national team play on at Curtin. This is why I strongly oppose the hockey club even getting a sniff at this ground.	Noted	N
754	Installation and use of synthetic turf is an environmental disaster and is not compatible with a range of existing Town of Victoria Park policies and strategies. Creation of a fenced area within our public space for the exclusive use of the few is contrary to the fundamental tenets of our Strategic Community Plan - nor has a justifiable business case been made - at Higgins or elsewhere - to justify the significant capital investment required.	Noted	N

755	Ever since moving to East Victoria Park two years ago, I have been incredibly blessed to have such a large, open and welcoming space to walk around, run around or kick my footy at. I love Higgins Park because it has everything a local might need in terms of sports and I really don't want to see Higgins change for the worse.	Noted	N
756	This looks to be a beautiful community space and I would love to spend my time playing hockey at Higgins Park. We are a diverse and inclusive club and these facilities will allow us to integrate much better into the community, providing mutual benefit.	Noted	N
758	<p>Constructing a hockey turf at this venue is the only option that will utilize this community to its full potential. It will provide a modern sporting facility that will bring in a new sport which has the potential to engage community members both young and old. The dedicated members of the Vic Park Hockey Club have been trying to build a synthetic turf for decades and to deny this opportunity to maintain an underused football oval would be a disservice to the community. This is especially true when Harold Rossiter Park has more than enough space to house the football club and is currently also severely underused.</p> <p>For so many members of this community including myself, the Vic Park Hockey Club has been the lifeblood of this town and options 1 or 2 will allow the club to grow and flourish even more. Options 1 or 2 are win-wins for the community and I strongly urge the council to move forward with one of these.</p> <p>Thankyou</p>	Noted	N
759	The hockey club could use the ample facilities at Curtin. Retain grassed and natural bush areas rather than replacing with environmentally-unfriendly synthetic turf.	Noted	N
760	<p>Strongly support the assets of council being used to provide facilities to the largest clubs that are looking after kids adults and vets and providing support to these members of clubs Support both female and male members</p> <p>And young and old</p> <p>This helps reduce anti social behaviour and keeps people active on the community</p>	Noted	N
761	Option 1 provides a fair use of the area for all of the sporting codes.	Noted	N

762	The ToVP is evolving to a higher density housing model and any reduction in public open space is at odds with this. Option 3 maximises the public open space available for all residents. Options 1 and 2 do not.	Noted	N
763	The reason why I have selected this option is because in this ever expanding urban city, priorities should be to increase or at least hang on to the green spaces that are left and artificial turf increases the temperature. The Raiders are a part of vic park community tradition and they should be prioritised over clubs from other areas wanting space... Curtin is the home of hockey and is a stone's throw away so that should be utilised. I have lived in EVP all my life and have been able to access all of Higgins park... unsightly gates and fences don't fit the aesthetic that the Vic park community have built over recent years.	Noted	N
764	Big playgrounds are important for the children. Roads be turn into people space is safer. less through roads are safer for our children too. The hockey club needs a turf, and the footy club can more to another field that the hockey can't go next to Kent St.	Noted	N
765	Having lived in st James for 17 years, I appreciate the oval as a shared open space for everyone . I strongly oppose a fenced off area to cater for hockey turf. The lack of parking will impact on local streets, the added lighting and noise impact on birdlife. No need for hockey grounds, they can go elsewhere. Leave the space and trees for everyone. Also, as a ratepayer I want the cheaper \$12 million option.	Noted	N
766	We want to retain the mature trees and green space for the sake of the environment. We love Higgins Park!	Noted	N
767	The field must be retained for Junior football to utilise and also the community that wish the field to stay as it is now.	Noted	N
769	My wife and I were founding committee members of the Centrals Junior Football Club that formed in 1957 that utilised Higgins Park for junior football. Junior football therefore has a massive history At the park and in the community. This massive influence clearly continues today with the Vic Park Raiders Junior football club. Develop the area by all means but LEAVE junior football at Higgins.	Noted	N

770	To allow for better youth access and fair use by the community. To keep traffic down and noise. To allow football, cricket and tennis to continue operating as normal.	Noted	N
771	I strongly oppose synthetic turf in any form at Higgins park. We need to preserve the natural beauty of this area.	Noted	N
772	Synthetic hockey field options do not allow for shared use of the space. The open space should remain open and available for residents, their families and dogs. Please do not lay synthetic turf at this site. Specialist synthetic facilities are already available nearby at Curtin University.	Noted	N
774	I have lived in Victoria Park for 20+ years and had the honours of being captain of the Raiders in 2015, a club to feared with. There are fantastic hockey facilities and stadium just down the road at curtain uni, so why add in more hockey pitches? Where are the kids going to play footy? Higgins park is the best AFL oval in the region and the best club to play for, it would be the biggest disappointment to see it leave.	Noted	N
775	As someone who is a local and uses Higgins Park as a space to walk our dog, I love the big space that is provides. I love going there and seeing it shared amongst the community. I feel that placing a synthetic field would ruin the atmosphere that the park currently has. We enter Higgins Park from Clinton Ave and I love walking up the embankment to be greeted with a sight of others walking their dogs, or sports training in action. If a synthetic field is built in the propose spot, it would ruin the experience of Higgins Park for us. It will also feel as if it closes off Higgins Park to those who are on the Hillview Terrace side. Creating something that will be fenced off and imposing will make it seem unwelcoming from that side. I also cannot understand why you would create something that impacts negatively to a community sporting group that currently uses it for a sporting group that does not currently use Higgins Park as their home base. I love the ideas of creating other spaces and areas for Higgins Park and I am always for adding more trees and garden, but I would love for the open oval space to stay as is. Our dog would very much love it to stay the same also.	Noted	N
776	Impact on surrounding houses	Noted	N
777	NO astro turf. NO removal of old growth trees. We are in a climate crisis and this is in OPPOSITION to the urban forestry plan for the area. We have already seen the destruction of old trees without community consultation for the bloody football field. Please - PLEASE - do not do this here. Protest action to stop the logging of these trees is on the table.	Noted	N

778	<p>Plenty of room at Curtain for hockey stop taking away infrastructure for kids sport when it is hard enough to keep kids interested without taking a perfectly good oval away from them. A public open space for people to walk the dog and train freely for what ever sport people partake in is essential. My son played footy and cricket for this club now my daughter is involved in footy and you want to make it harder for her to train. DUMB DUMB DUMB is all I can say and now I know why I was weary when this council got voted in, and this probably has some financial gain for the council. In a world that is a strange place to live in at the moment, we are lucky to have the freedom to still take part in team sports and you want to deny kids the opportunity, why not give to the community instead of taking away.</p>	Noted	N
779	<p>I strongly oppose any additional fenced sporting areas, however if the hockey areas were to be open to all and use real grass, then this would be fine. when sports are not in play, this whole area is used by all for dog exercising, team exercising etc. It would be unfair to fence off any area for that sport only. It is bad enough that we can't use the tennis courts for a muck around at social tennis without being a member.</p>	Noted	N
780	<p>Only options 1 and 2 adequately address the Masterplan goals. They optimise regional active recreation opportunities and bring in a new sport hockey, which also activates the site through increased participation and lighting which will in turn increase community safety. It is currently a large, dark site in the evenings and at night. Options 1 and 2 make the towns assets work and maximise best use of the Town's limited sporting spaces, specially given that Harold Rossiter is largely now unused for winter sport given that soccer has left. The football only Option 3 does not represent value for money as no new sports are introduced.</p>	Noted	N
781	<p>'There are a number of factors that I considered as a local resident, summarised in the following bullet points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We need to retain the already limited parkland spaces in the Town for the benefit of community health and well-being; - I am concerned about residential and environmental impact, especially noise and the fencing associated with Options 1 and 2. - We must consider public access rights to the park with no parties monopolising this; - The TOVP has a financial responsibility to ratepayers and carefully consider the total spend here. 	Noted	N

784	<p>If the Hockey club takes over Higgins Park (Option 2), where will the Raiders go? As there are no alternative viable grounds available in Vic Park, it would mean the demise of the Raiders. The same applies to Option 1. I have been a cartographer for 30 years and the maps that I have drawn clearly demonstrate that Option 1 is not viable.</p> <p>The modifications involved in the sudden revision of option 1 would require removal of trees and extensive retaining along both roads. The design review group claim that the revised Option 1 reconfiguration would provide 10 metres of gap between the two playing fields - enough to place some shrubberies around the perimeter of the hockey field (as depicted in their pretty picture). This is completely false information and they do not have any accurate drawing or map in which to base their statements on. There is a distinct conflict of space which no amount of reconfiguration will resolve. Nor is there any room for a second smaller oval in the southern corner.</p> <p>I vehemently oppose options 1 and 2. Why is the encumbent junior AFL club that has been resident there, in one form or another for many decades, even being considered to be displaced by another sporting club?</p>	Noted	N
785	<p>Hockey cannot be added without shifting the existing senior football oval, requiring addition of significant retaining and removal of trees. The designs produced are clearly erroneous with regards to actual ground sizes (i.e. a senior football oval and hockey pitch will not fit with a SAFE margin between grounds, even with significant retaining added and many trees removed). A junior football oval will no longer fit at the southern end either if a hockey pitch is added. Lastly, it seems an unfair use of council/ratepayer funds to effectively evict an existing, longstanding community sporting club, with playing grounds that are available for free access by all residents outside of game times, in order to replace it with a gated/locked pitch that can no longer be used for free by any other residents. This is especially perplexing given that Curtin Hockey Stadium, less than 2km away, is currently underutilised and seeking more clubs to use their facilities.</p>	Noted	N
787	<p>The fenced turf limits public access to PARKLAND space; will impact negatively and substantially on residencies (traffic, noise, day/night); will compromise viability of then Victoria Park Rangers Junior Football Club and is more costly. The business case suggesting the turf is needed is weak and contradicts independent reports that access is sufficient.</p>	Noted	N

788	Being Vic Park Panthers one of the biggest hockey clubs in Perth, I support the idea of, finally, have our own home ground instead of renting.	Noted	N
789	Elements of options 1 and 2 are worth exploring, except the hockey pitch, which I strongly oppose. It is a single-use facility that would need to be fenced off from the general public - it's just the wrong location. Better suited to Curtin or adjacent to Kensington Bushland.	Noted	N
790	I strongly oppose Options 1 and 2 and support Option 3. I've been involved with the Raiders football club for several years now and feel Options 1 and 2 would have a detrimental impact on the club and the local football community, not to mention the rest of the public that regularly use this space. I can't see why alternative locations for the hockey club that don't impact a very popular public space such as Higgins Park are not prioritised over this space. The hockey will bring a fenced off pitch limiting public use of the space, unwanted light at night time for local residents and needlessly impact the existing environment. I'm very suspicious of Option 2 and any option resulting in complete displacement of a thriving football club would be a travesty. I'm hoping Option 2 wasn't somehow strategically added to the mix to make Option 1 a little more palatable? Furthermore, I think the option to close off Playfield St is a good one as it will greatly benefit Millen primary connecting the school seamlessly with Higgins Park.	Noted	N
791	The current large open space provides options for both the general community and sports groups. Fencing of a hockey field that is not required would limit current use. Hockey is available nearby at Curtin University.	Noted	N
792	Support the established nature and open park with closure of Fred bell and linking Millen with Higgins. There are a lot of other hockey pitches in the vicinity e.g. Curtin and collier.	Noted	N
793	There are too many synthetic fields ,, we are not allowed it on our verge due to heat so why let one club dictate what they want,,council handling of this matter including the Harold Rossiter debarkle is bordering on crime	Noted	N
795	Synthetic hockey oval not required. Suitable facilities for hockey already exist at Curtin university. I strongly support retaining and expanding the public open green space for my children	Noted	N

796	<p>The current area is well used by the general community and does not require any more formalised areas such as a hockey field, there is sufficient hockey facilities at hockey stadium at Curtin.</p> <p>The existing football/cricket facilities are excellent and well utilised.</p> <p>The large open area also provides the opportunity for multi-use events.</p> <p>More tree planting and shrubs would greatly enhance the area and provide additional shade for people exercising and generally enjoying the amenity.</p>	Noted	N
798	Na	Noted	N
802	Options 1 and 2 would seem to effectively require the Vic Park Raiders to relocate to an unknown venue. I most strongly oppose this.	Noted	N
803	<p>The redevelopment of the entire site is warranted. Introducing other options (hockey) adds to the valued use of the area and brings the full range of ages (minkey levels to masters and both boys / girls and men / women). hockey will help to activate the site and make it a Town feature unlike the underused Harold Rossiter Park nearby.</p> <p>A synthetic surface is vital for skill development for juniors and possession of such a surface will assist the hockey club to both retain juniors as well as attracting others to the club.</p> <p>All sports can combine to share and enjoy the redeveloped site and it will present well as a sporting hub.</p>	Noted	N
804	I do not support the establishment of a synthetic hockey pitch, with the fencing making a bad idea worse. I would like to see the largest possible open area retained.	Noted	N
805	synthetic turf is not an environmentally friendly development, stop encouraging the production and use of plastics please, particularly on such a large scale and with direct interface with the natural environment and fauna, stop adding to the urban heat island, space already too crowded to add hockey and will become dysfunctional	Noted	N
806	It would be a shame to loose the public, community and football access to the whole of Higgins park, and replace it with an visually offensive fenced off stadium. A hockey stadium will be loud and bright and generally intrusive, how would you get to sleep with a hockey game on in the evening?. Curtin Uni hockey games can already be heard very clearly from my address on Westmorland Street.	Noted	N

807	<p>I have no interest in football or hockey. I do have however have an interest in public space being overturned for what amounts to the exclusive use of sports clubs. How can the the town have an 'urban forest' strategy preserving trees and bush at almost any cost yet consider ripping up a NATURAL grass area in favour of plastic turf, a practise that is frowned on and threatened with action should a resident lay some on their verge. By all means upgrade and spend some money on what is there, it will have no direct benefit to me personally, but I understand that to some sport is just about borders on religion. When all is said and done I prefer Higgins the way it is now. Redevelopment will cause local traffic issues and maybe even anti social behavior (youth chill spaces what on earth are they...?)</p>	Noted	N
809	<p>Football & cricket are by far the most popular sports and the general area would benefit far more from having these sports in the area than hockey..! There are many other areas for a Hockey surface than football & cricket as Hockey requires far less space. What's wrong with the facilities at Curtain? Go have a look in South Perth and Manning, theirs plenty or space. The other point is that football and cricket are currently the existing tenants and have been for some time, I find it highly offensive that someone can just come in and remove strong sporting clubs from their home just to satisfy a far less popular sport. It would be shameful.. The area is very well known for football & cricket and this is the way it should stay. It is far easier for Hockey to find an area to exist, there's plenty out there not in use and suitable for hockey, I'm sure a hockey club would be outraged if a cricket or football club wanted to take over their tenancy and basically kick them out of their home, wiping out a club...</p>	Noted	N
810	<p>Our family and Children have been a part of the the Vic Park football club for more than 10 years and love the community and family environment the Vic Park Raider Provide to the Children and Familys living in The Town of Victoria Park.</p>	Noted	N
811	<p>There is no suitable alternative park to relocate the local junior football club that will not weaken the club's future. To displace one sporting club for the benefit of another does just not make any sense.</p>	Noted	N
812	<p>Was a part of the footy club for a long time life member and continue to support the club. It provides a great start for kids to participate in football and is very important for indigenous kids to be involved in sport especially football where they have unbelievable skills and this end up to a career in the AFL</p>	Noted	N

813	Loss of access to public open space. Removal of trees.	Noted	N
818	Kinda didn't really understand all of them	Noted	N
819	<p>1. Option 1 preferred overall. Whilst the most expensive, now is the right time to make biggest changes (economies of scale, availability of credit, etc) not piecemeal changes. This is a decades-lasting redevelopment, get it right first time.</p> <p>2. Closing Playfield sounds attractive but will probably be impractical. It is an important thoroughfare. The need for connectivity is overstated, in practice the school and oval area have few shared needs. The oval area tends to be used most out of school hours anyway. The road can always be closed for one-off purposes (eg. festivals).</p> <p>3. Increased trees and paths including in previously open areas, is arguably most attractive. Wide flat open spaces look least attractive.</p> <p>4. The RSL is a useful but underutilised space. It should be a redevelopment focus.</p> <p>5. Can the synthetic hockey pitch be used for any other sport or activity?</p> <p>6. There is limited senior/junior AFL facilities elsewhere in the neighbourhood. It is important to retain some here.</p> <p>7. Will the synthetic cricket pitches interfere with other sports?</p> <p>8. Full development of new clubrooms, more centrally located to the various areas, would be preferable. ie option 1.</p> <p>9. Not included in these plans, but strongly recommend this project be used to address dangerous street parking practices on Creaton, especially around the crest.</p> <p>10. Option 1 also appears to best accommodate non-sporting uses. Eg. outdoor concerts.</p> <p>11. Make sure the budget allows for higher maintenance costs going forward. Allowing new infrastructure to fall into disrepair will look worse than doing nothing.</p>	<p>Thank you for your comments. A synthetic turf can accommodate other users who are able to ensure the surface is not damaged. These potential users include tee ball, tennis, walking hockey with local aged care residents, area 5 and school use. The cricket wickets have been located to minimise interference with other sporting uses wherever possible, however there is overlap between the cricket wicket and the football oval in option 1. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submissions form.</p>	N

820	The hockey ground will impinge too much on the junior football club. which caters for a lot of children right across the weekend. I co-ordinated the Auskick coaches and managers at the football club this year. I had 125 kids registered to play Auskick - this was down from about 140 kids last year due to COVID but I expect to recruit 130 plus next year. These kids should not have their playing futures at Higgins Park messed up to cater for a relatively small group that can be housed at the playing fields at Curtin University.	Noted	N
822	I believe the current green space amenity will be severely damaged by the implementation of any synthetic turf and limits the amount of uses for the space. The local football club throughout the season already has a limited amount of space. Large and open green space areas are a rare commodity in vibrant inner city suburbs and having solely grassed areas are highly attractive.	Noted	N
823	Need to keep football at that oval. People have dedicated their entire lives to that club	Noted	N
824	The Vic Park Junior Football club has in excess of 700 players and needs the entire space to be able to accommodate the teams. Sharing the facilities with hockey will result in the teams being relocated within the district making it more difficult to manage and possibly loose teams to other districts	Noted	N
825	Jnr football has been a huge part of Higgins park, my older brothers played there and now my son, lets keep footy there	Noted	N
826	There is only limited green spaces left. Don't remove free space of the community to put a turf in especially as there is two within walking distance.	Noted	N
827	It is impossible to share the space as both clubs cannot fit to play matches the open space will be lost with fenced hockey turf. And the football club should not be moved on.	Noted	N

830	<p>Green open space is becoming a rarity in inner city suburbs. A Football/Cricket oval fits seamlessly in with the surrounding community and nature as shared grounds. Upgrades to the precinct can be achieved without displacing existing community members.</p> <p>A fenced in artificial turf damages the natural outlook of the area and excludes the greater community and rate payers. This shouldn't be sacrificed to accommodate a hockey club with a large contingent of members who do not reside in the town, whose grounds no doubt will be funded by the same community members/ratepayers they are seeking to evict.</p> <p>This option also goes against the recommendation put to the town.</p> <p>Furthermore an artificial turf already resides in the ToVP at Curtin.</p> <p>Why is an upgrade to Fletcher Park not a consideration.</p>	Noted	N
831	<p>The size of Higgins Pk could not possibly provide what is illustrated. Therefore, these diagrams have been illustrated without use of the proper dimensions relative to the exact measurements as required to meet each playing area relevant to either proposal.</p>	<p>Thanks for your comments. The Masterplan options have been absed off a feature survey of the site using accurate dimensions of the sporting facilities. The imagery provided is to scale.</p>	N
833	<p>Because Higgins park should stay as a Football field</p>	Noted	N
834	<p>The footy club is the most important part of a community, taking it away will be a devastating loss.</p>	Noted	N
835	<p>There is no way on this planet that I support plastic turf and fenced in for a hockey club. amongst many reasons It's environmentally unfriendly. We have a hockey stadium close by</p>	Noted	N
836	<p>While I'm not one hundred percent against the synthetic turf being added I'm not exactly for it either given the fact a few kilometres down the road the Curtin Uni facility is excellent for hockey.</p> <p>Removing all AFL grounds would be a mistake as hundreds of juniors already use the Vic Park Raiders Football Club as their beginnings into AFL. As the AFLW picks up the existing club facilities will need to be expanded to allow for an influx of even more juniors. The second</p>	Noted	N

	football oval would most likely be required to accommodate all fixtures on what would be a very busy football hub.		
838	We oppose the closing of Playfield street and Fred bell parade as it will push far more traffic onto Devenish street - which is already busy enough. We also want the wide open space of Higgins Park to be retained for the use of all of the community and do not understand why we need hockey fields in our neighbourhood given facilities available locally.	Noted	N
839	There is no justification to show need for the change for expense that will be incurred by rate payers. We do not support closure of any roads that will increase traffic on Devenish street and want Higgins Oval to remain an open space available for all the community to enjoy.	Noted	N
840	As a resident of the senior retirement community on Jarrah Rd, the quiet, green open space is a treasured amenity as my unit is very small with no yard. Being able to watch birds and neighbors and to walk in the park gives positive meaning to my life. I strongly oppose the removal of trees and grass and the addition of artificial, paved surfaces and strong lights that shine directly into my bedroom on the new 40Ft tall fixtures. Higgins Park has been dedicated for the use of our neighborhood and its potential conversion to high impact sporting teams from out of the area is not acceptable.	Noted	N
841	We live next door to the park with our two children and love the ability and freedom to go to the park and play games and have adventures. The introduction of a hockey turf will directly effect our ability to do this. Also there is a hockey turf around the corner at Curtin Uni that is more than adequate for the hockey enthusiasts in the area.	Noted	N
842	The current playground is very basic and requires updating. It would be great to have the playground fully enclosed as the playground is close to the road with a lot of traffic during weekends.	Noted	N
843	Don't want further noise from hockey, there's enough already from Curtin. Love how Higgins Park is so unrestricted and the cost of Options 1 and 2 are prohibitive.	Noted	N

844	My family has a long history with the Vic Park Raiders. My parents are life members, my brothers on the honour boards for games played and myself a club person of the year when I was 20. Although I don't reside within the town anymore as I moved to the country and married, I had always hoped that my son would have the option of playing footy at our family club when we have to send him to boarding school in Perth. The club holds many great memories for my family, it would be devastating to see that gone.	Noted	N
845	I expect they are relevant to our family needs at this time. The Hockey Team should really take up the offer of space from the city of Cannington as the parks that have been previously proposed and now this park are used by the community already.	Noted	N
846	I am strongly opposed to the removal of any mature trees as it is against the Urban Forest Strategy and other stated sustainability and canopy objectives, and against the expression of a climate emergency (these are also my concerns with a synthetic hockey pitch)	Noted	N
847	Option 3 is the only choice for the community to have continued access to all the open green space (which is limited right now in the TOVP) without any tree removals. Option 3 is the only choice for the residents and passive users of the park that is free from fencing and artificial turf. Option 3 is the only option that takes into account all the residents who currently border the park to remain free from additional lighting and noise from hockey games. Finally, Option 3 is the only choice to keep the Raiders Football club in it's current home. Artificial turf is hotter than grass, uses more water than grass, and is just ugly. Please do not turn ANY part of Higgins Park into artificial turf.	Noted	N
848	I believe the hockey teams should have a turf in Victoria Park. Option 2 gives space for all sports and that will make it a great community space.	Noted	N
850	I play for the Raiders and I want to keep our home at Higgins Park.	Noted	N

852	<p>My family have been using this space for Over 20 years. It is in constant use by varied and all members of the community throughout the day... throughout the year. It is one of the few true public open spaces in the area. Especially as the move to higher density living, open spaces are a must. Every space does not need to be filled, this isn't improvement. Fenced areas cannot be inclusive of all users. Deeply concerned by the comments of mature tree removals and one option in particular eluding to a non committal of how many more would need to be removed to facilitate retaining walls. Absolutely not acceptable.</p>	Noted	N
854	<p>Vic Park Raiders need to stay at their home ground</p>	Noted	N
857	<p>Originally I believed it would be great to see more sport facilities added to the park including Hockey pitches. But I recently became aware that the Basketball courts at new Park next to Lathlain Oval (Bishopsgate St Park) could not be used due to the noise it created because a small number of residents complained (ref my email to query what happened to the hoops and nets and the reply from VPK council).</p> <p>I don't want to see this repeated at Higgins Park. I live close to Albany Hwy and I often hear music from the Balmoral and I hear loud conversations from people leaving the strip. I would much rather hear the sound from kids/adults playing sport than anti-social behaviour, vandalism, burglary. I think if people are sensitive to noise from sport then it would be a waste of time and money to provide these facilities.</p>	Noted	N
859	<p>I strongly oppose to any inference with this park!</p> <p>The play area is pretty much perfect. We walk there regularly and meet other mums there. It has helped me so much to get out and walk there and meet other people. There are always people using the gelid for dog walking and exercise. It feels open and secure which I often don't feel in other local parks.</p> <p>There is ample sports facility already there and a lot of work has been carried out on this area. The other extremely important factor in this is the wonderful bird life in the park. I spend a lot of time there observing it. I love the large number of Kookaburra there in particular such special birds along with the Galah which are always to be seen on the ground feeding.</p> <p>To lose this park will be a tragedy for the local area it is like a village green!</p>	Noted	N

860	Value of open green space and trees, preserve community hub of football club	Noted	N
861	I love the park as it is now and I'm unsure as to why it needs to be changed.	Noted	N
863	The hockey community has their hockey ground close by at Curtin. The large football and cricket communities in the area has very limited spaces at present. There is not a big hickey community locally to call for this type of allocation of space.	Noted	N
864	I have lived in this community since I was a child. I played at the park as a child. I have recently moved back here and am now sending my children to Millen school. I do not want a hockey oval so close to my home or ruining one of the reasons I moved close to the area, which was to have a large open space for my children to play. I feel it will de value our area. If people need a hockey field go 2km away and use Curtin universities.	Noted	N
865	AFL is our main sport not hockey lights from hockey stadium would be intrusive to those on Hillview terrace it will limit access for people walking dogs and exercising	Noted	N
867	One junior sporting club should not be placed at a higher priority than another. Vic Park raiders have been using Higgins Park for many years and should not be displaced by the need for a synthetic turf for hockey. Other locations should be considered perhaps in neighbouring South Perth where Como College have a hockey program but no access to a synthetic turf - dual use would surely be common sense. Also as a local resident the open green spaces are a huge reason we live in Vic Park - we love going for evening walks through our local parks.	Noted	N
869	Collectively, Footy and Cricket are way more popular than Hockey. I don't want any grassed area currently accessible for everyone all year to be fenced off for exclusive use by a few hockey players during the hockey season and then left unused for the rest of the year.. We already have synthetic hockey grounds at Curtin Uni. We don't need more. Option 3 is the least costly.	Noted	N
870	I support a broad use of the playing fields by as many groups as possible.	Noted	N

871	<p>Merging Millen and Higgins will create a wonderful space for families to enjoy with nature in a developing suburb with new housing and renovations.</p> <p>There are hockey pitches in the vicinity (Curtin and Collier) therefore unnecessary at Higgins. The part is fully utilised and well received as an open space.</p> <p>Appreciate your design work on the park FYI. Nice to see TOVP's creative juices flowing.</p>	Noted, and thank you for your comments.	N
873	<p>I am strongly opposed to options 1 & 2 which include a synthetic fenced hockey turf at Higgins Park. This will have a serious detrimental impact on the public open space and our local football club.</p>	Noted	N
874	<p>I strongly support option 3 because it benefits maximum amount of park users.I also strongly oppose option 2 because it will stick out as an eyesore ,and a waste of ratepayers funds which will benefit fewer people.</p>	Noted	N
875	<p>I strongly support Higgins Park being available for all people to enjoy the clean fresh open spaces be it for exercise, sporting events, social events ,children playing, walking dogs, bird life and I believe if there are synthetic hockey fields and high fences this will make the park unpleasant for these activities.The park should remain for as many people as possible to enjoy</p>	Noted	N
876	<p>This isn't a ground for hockey wankers</p>	Noted	N
877	<p>Higgins Park as it is currently structured provides a facility which is enjoyed by the whole community. If option 1 or 2 is adopted with the construction of a hockey turf it gives absolutely no benefit to the community and will benefit only a relatively few number of people who play hockey, the majority of whom do not live in Victoria Park.</p> <p>Additionally the structure of this survey is an absolute disgrace and I can only assume it is meant to confuse people completing the survey and enable the results to be twisted to suit another agenda. The sporting configuration options for the fifth question are relatively simple to comprehend. Then why does the introduction for the response to this question next to number 12 reference the masterplan and not simply the sporting configurations which is the basis for the question. This will skew the results because people will also relate their response to previous survey questions which are flexible between options and the master plan, not to the sporting configurations.</p>	Noted	N

878	I moved to this area when my kids were 3 years old .They are now 15 .I was welcomed so much by the school community as well as the Vic Park Raiders .My son has played there since he was 5.Throughout the years I have lived here we have used Higgins Park for so many wonderful times .Play dates after school when the kids were small .Walking the dog while she taught my son how to pick up a footy VERY quickly .Sports carnivals in the rain and so much more .During the lockdown in WA it was the one place my kids could go to run , relax and get outdoors.Losing Higgins Park would be devastating to my family.We love our open space .We love our Raiders family and we love the community that we have !	Noted	N
879	Sick and tired of some people driving a hate campaign against sport clubs. these areas should be for everyone.	Noted	N
881	This space will be over dominated by a synthetic hockey field. This club needs to move nearby to queens park or como where suitable space exists. The cost is not appropriate for council to finance	Noted	N
882	Keep open space as natural as possible	Noted	N
883	Only options 1 and 2 adequately address the Masterplan goals. They optimise regional active recreation opportunities and bring in a new sport hockey, which also activates the site through increased participation and lighting which will in turn increase community safety. It is currently a large, dark site in the evenings and at night. Options 1 and 2 make the towns assets work and maximise best use of the Town's limited sporting spaces, specially given that Harold Rossiter is largely now unused for winter sport given that soccer has left. The football only Option 3 does not represent value for money as no new sports are introduced.	Noted	N
884	I'm surprised this question is being asked at all. I thought a master planning should begin with a needs analysis that should determine future need. How can there be a decision at this point about which sports need to be located on the reserve? That decision should have already been identified, not left up to the uninformed community to decide. The configuration of playing fields on the reserve should be the most needed by the community in the next 10+ years.	Thanks for your comment. The masterplan scope was informed by the Recreational Needs Assessment that identified possible uses for the site.	N

885	This is a public amenity and fences have no place around things that are to be shared by the public. Synthetic grass is gross and contributes to the urban heat island effect and produces micro plastics that will get into our waterways and local suburb. Grass and trees look better and will always provide more benefits (air and water filtering, habitat, improved mental health, amenity, ground water recharge, soil quality, etc) than a synthetic pitch. Last time I checked, you can play hockey on grass. The synthetic pitch is not only completely unnecessary but would only be a detriment to the Local community and our environment at large. Don't do it. Cheers.	Noted	N
887	I'm against pulling up natural turf and replacing with synthetic turf and enclosing with fencing. There are hockey facilities nearby. I feel the added pressure on park facilities will take over existing club sports options. For years Ive watched people throw frisbees, play casual cricket and use this space for multiple physical fitness uses. I use this space my for recreation and I find it offensive to think a synthetic turf field (very large and disproportionate to the available space) would be allowed to take up home here	Noted	N
888	We need the open space for all the kids who play footy and for the locals who love and use this park. Why should they miss out because the hockey suddenly want our fields and put in fake turf and fences.	Noted	N
889	We don't need a hockey turf, there is one opposite tech park. There is also free space at Tech park where one could be put. It takes away too much open park and it is unnecessary duplication.	Noted	N
890	I want the Hockey Club to have a place where they can play and train but I don't want it to impact my junior football club that I love playing for. If the hockey club comes there won't be enough room for me or my brother and our football club will end up not having a home ground.	Noted	N

891	<p>In East Victoria Park, we are living with changes to zoning/ infilling on most housing blocks with increased numbers of people living in each dwelling on smaller housing blocks with minimum to zero home outdoor recreation space. We are losing green space and trees and plants which are vital for environmental sustainability and clean air generation and Council only ever offers concrete, bitumen, development of the inappropriate types. It is crucial for local residents' physical, mental and emotional health and recreational wellbeing to continue to have access to the existing Higgins Park open green parkland space. It is a multiple community use space with the existing football facilities as the open space can also be used for concerts, events, markets and fairs, etc The Higgins Park Primary School also requires use of this oval for recreation and sport. It is used extensively for recreation by residents on both sides of Hillview Terrace and further down into the EVP and St James suburbs. There is absolutely NO need for either 1 or 2 fenced synthetic hockey turfs and they use too much water and will restrict general access to the entire park for local folk. Creating extra bitumen parking facilities, and making changes to existing green spaces will mean the Council will remove the beautiful trees and existing plantings. This would be immoral and are out of integrity actions when we are supposed to be regenerating and preserving our local green environment for saving the planet and for enhanced quality of life for existing and future local residents. Importantly, the surrounding locales are family oriented areas. Council needs to listen to the local people and not operate purely from personal Councillors' agendas, egos and bullying tactics AND also not waste funds unnecessarily.</p>	Noted	N
892	<p>Whilst it is a good idea to change up and attract people within our area to maximize the use of Higgins Park we love the Park as it is and would hate to see a great family friendly through a fenced off synthetic hockey park. We feel there is a hockey park at Hayman Road which is sufficient to the area. Please do the updates but please do not include a synthetic based hockey park. We feel the required lighting, the additional traffic and the noises would shatter our current peaceful existence. We only want option 3. Thankyou for allowing our preference to be considered.</p>	Noted	N
893	<p>Unsafe for hockey field to be put in Higgins Pk. Children Dogs Elderly homes the surrounding homes put at risk .</p>	Noted	N
896	<p>Having considered points Noted for all 3 options, option 3 appears to be the most beneficial to the greater good of the majority of residents in the area. Visitors as well.</p>	Noted	N

897	<p>Why would you want to lock away such a large amount of public recreational space for the exclusive use of such a small group of individuals for a very short time of the year. INSANE!!!</p> <p>Get the hockey club to share one of the many other existing facilities in our area and use the money to fund sports like soccer, cricket and football that don't need such expensive and exclusive facilities</p>	Noted	N
898	<p>I support plan 1 and 2, with preference for plan 1 which would allow all users to benefit. Building a hockey turf will maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. (A modern turf field AS WELL as grass (for football or hockey) maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a modern sport facility). From a personal stance, my daughter plays junior hockey for Victoria Park and I would love to play too, however not having their own turf has been the reason I have not joined as a senior.</p> <p>It will also make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park).</p>	Noted	N
900	Hockey turfs are the way forward for the sport.	Noted	N
901	Leave it as it is. No synthetic hockey facility!!	Noted	N
902	<p>I don't really have allegiance with either hockey or football but think public recreation space should be for everyone - I like the outcome where all current users remain and additional users are included. In this option, the part I don't like is that the road is not closed. To me, traffic calming and pedestrian access/safety around the space should be paramount and I would love to see a Playfield St closure in all 3 options - is there a reason why not? I really like the inclusion of a youth space like basketball courts and skate elements, as well as activating the embankment for play and exercise. This will be a great space for everyone if the Town can appease those competing interests!</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. As Noted within the Masterplan, the road closures can be interchanged between all sporting configuration options.</p>	N
903	there are quite a few football ovals which can be used but i don't see as many hockey facilities for public use.	Noted	N
905	want more lawn space and trees for the general public	Noted	N

906	<p>My children are going up in this district and play and football and tennis. I would like them to continue have opportunity for this.</p> <p>Environmentally option 3 is better for humans and flora and fauna.</p> <p>Adults need to be role models for children in the decisions that effect our environment.</p>	Noted	N
907	I prefer footy grounds to hockey ovals	Noted	N
909	The addition of fencing and synthetic turf is unenvironmental and creates equity and social justice issues in the community. It is racist by default for excluding aboriginal people from culturally enjoying the park. Children need unstructured play for development and the park is critical for generations. No turf, no fencing. Yes to footy and traditional uses.	Noted	N
911	I dont want any more synthetic fields	Noted	N
912	Do not need hockey grounds cramped onto this space. Existing football,cricket and tennis should be continued.	Noted	N
913	<p>It is essential for the Town to retain maximum public green open space for all the community to use. As there are already specific spaces allocated to various clubs, e.g. fenced tennis courts and croquet, the remaining area of the park should be kept free for all passive and recreational users. Use by the junior football and cricket clubs does not preclude other users, whereas a fenced hockey facility would remove a significant portion of open space for hockey's use only.</p> <p>As a ratepayer, it seems that the proposed hockey facility would be disproportionately expensive and could be better allocated for a greater range of community members from infants to elderly and/or disabled. It seems that the nearby hockey facility at Curtin university has been overlooked by the Council in considering provision of an ongoing expense for relatively few ratepayers.</p>	Thank you for your comment. The synthetic turfs at Perth Hockey Stadium have been considered in the Masterplan process, as Noted in the September 2020 Council Report available on the Your Thoughts document library and the Town's website.	N
914	It is great to see a serious effort in Vic Park to support multiple sports. The Vic Park Hockey Club is a large club with a large number of junior, Senior and Masters players. To have access to premium turf and grass fields would elevate not only the competitive success of the club but introduce a greater capacity to draw players and families to the area.	Noted	N
916	Hockey should be located at Perth Stadium. the junior football club is well established and growing. We need more public open spaces, not fenced off areas, tennis club is enough	Noted	N

917	I do not want to see a synthetic hockey oval in this space and we should not lose any grass area to accomodate synthetic turf. I feel very strongly about this. There is the state hockey centre in very close proximity that should cover that need. Keep the green space there for all to use (its more than football)	Noted	N
919	Following the fencing of Kent St school, Higgins Park is the only open space we can take our kids to kick goals. I intend to enrol my son at Vic Park Raiders next year. I don't like the idea of removing public space for hockey turf, Why can't they play hockey at Curtin Uni?	Noted	N
923	As a local I don't want this area turned into a high traffic area on weekends with cars parked on all the surrounding streets. The park should remain primarily for locals with minimal changes.	Noted	N
924	Ny two sons have played for the Raiders since 2013. Their heart - and my heart - beat true for the black, gold and blue. The club is expanding so it realistically cannot share with the hockey club.	Noted	N
925	We use this park daily with our toddler and two dogs, and do not want to see this turned into another hockey turf that will likely get very little use (there are ones at Curtin which are already not getting enough use). We strongly believe Option 3 appeals to all walks of life and will be the perfect medium for the community as a whole, getting the most enjoyment and use out of this design. Thank you for considering our feedback! We love Higgins Park.	Noted	N
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927	I am not convinced that the council has considered the ecological impact of options 1 and 2. Nor has it fully justified the expense of building the fenced synthetic hockey field that will be of limited use to local residents when compared to the vastly more useful open green space that currently exists. While I do support the revitalisation of the park the space must have multiple uses so that all residents can enjoy the space.	Noted	N

928	♣	Noted	N
930	<p>After viewing the details I agree with the hockey club that only Options 1 or 2 adequately address the Master plan goals.</p> <p>Higgins Park already has an active sporting theme and we as the VPXHC are only adding to this success.</p> <p>VPXHC has for sometime already been looking for a Ground and based on the recent decline of the very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park Harold Rossiter Park, how would the Victoria Park council feel if one of the oldest sporting clubs in the town had to move outside of the Town Boundaries ?</p> <p>We were rejected from using an under underused grassed area and now we are asking for an already existing used area. If this is now accepted, what really is the compromise ?</p>	Noted	N
931	I think the option I have chosen are in the best interest of the community as a whole and not certain groups.	Noted	N
932	I support maintaining the existing Raiders Junior Football Club in the one location. Any other option will destroy the Raiders Junior Football Club as it will displace them and make it unviable. I am also staggered with the amount of money that this project is costing.	Noted	N
934	I believe this upgrade will destroy the community that is the Raiders football club. Displacing the club over different parks should never have been an option. The cost of this is excessive in current circumstances, when I see homeless on our own street.	Noted	N

935	As a resident in this area for the past 32 years and a member of the Vic Park Raiders Junior Football Club over this time it is incredible the council are considering removing the football fields at Higgins Park. I now have the opportunity to watch my grandchildren play for a local football club. As a past secretary for the football club we worked hard to retain this football club so that local children within the community would be able to build a sense of community within the Town of Victoria Park. I am extremely disappointed to discover we now have to fight to retain our local community based football club with hockey which already has turf at Curtin & in other surrounding areas within Perth.	Noted	N
936	Junior football is very important to me and my family, and many many young children. Leaving it as a natural grassed open space allows for multiple opportunities for residents to use the space where a synthetic hockey pitch would reduce the available space. Hockey also has a beautiful home at Curtin	Noted	N
937	I do not want the football club to be split up across more than one location	Noted	N
938	I strongly believe that the Town of Victoria Park should not be allowing fenced synthetic hockey turfs to encroach on our park spaces. Trees and natural grass should be retained for all to enjoy. Synthetic turf should be located away from our existing parks.	Noted	N
939	I do not want the club separated across different sites.	Noted	N
940	It's one of the only large grassy areas near my house. My dogs love it. We like to go walking there.	Noted	N
941	I am strongly against the fenced synthetic hockey turf. The synthetic turf will warm up the park in summer while it is at present a place to cool down in summer. The fenced area will take away from the locals who come to the park for a walk or to exercise by themselves. Also the FIVE times intense lighting is concerning as it will blind pedestrians and cars in the evening.	Noted	N
943	My family and I go to Higgins Park frequently to enjoy a walk, kick a footy and spend time together. In fact, we have used the facilities at Higgins ever since we moved here in 2004. The Town of Victoria Park said no to the hockey club converting Raphael Park and I implore my City to say no to fencing off Higgins Park and restricting its use. It's a lovely space that should always be unfenced, should always be available to more than one sport and should always be open to all.	Noted	N

944	As a regular recreational user of Higgins park, along with our family and dogs, I want this open space to be retained and available to be used by as many people as possible. A fenced synthetic hockey turf would be very detrimental to the site, result in the loss of mature trees and create traffic/parking/noise/lighting issues for locals.	Noted	N
945	The allocation of dedicate synthetic hockey area has multiple negative impacts on the park and detracts significant utility and becomes a negative impact on the surrounding area. Specifically: * The fenced area will remove the area from locals and visitors to use as walking and recreation area * Excessive noise particularly in the evening/night hours * The synthetic turf increases the ambient temperature of the park. This particularly unpleasant during summer * The extra lighting is 5x the intensity of the existing lighting and will create excessive light pollution	Noted	N
946	Option 3 offers the best amenity for Public open space. My children were playing members of Raiders, my family has regularly used this as a great area to walk, run play or just sit and enjoy. This hockey club has very few playing members from the Council area, whereas Football draws majority from Council area.	Noted	N
947	As a local i love the open space that this park provides and taking my children to the park to fly kites and boomerangs. It would be devastating to lose the space that the park provides and lose more green space to a synthetic pitch.	Noted	N
948	The oval is packed already with hundreds of kids playing football. Why would you build a synthetic turf here when they have all of lathlain reserve	Thanks for your comment. The hockey club currently play at Fletcher Park.	N

949	<p>There is not the need for a synthetic turf hockey pitch, as no amateur junior level or amateur senior level grade in WA play on synthetic turf aside from at Curtin, meaning one club would have synthetic and the rest wouldn't. Doesn't make sense. There is already cricket ovals scattered around the town of Vic Park at Harold Rossiter Kent St, Raphael Park, Fraser Park, Fletcher Park, Carlisle Reserve and another at the Southern end of Higgins Park, there is only 1 dedicated senior sized football oval in the town of Vic Park without a cricket pitch on it and so spoiling that oval with a synthetic cricket pitch on the middle would be extremely disappointing. Yes there is Carlisle reserve as another football oval, however that has a synthetic cricket pitch on it. Taking away a full sized AFL oval would be a detriment to the longevity and recruitment of new young players to a club like Vic Park Raiders, as parents would be concerned about their children and the potential injuries caused by impact landing or getting tackled into a cricket pitch would have during a football game.</p>	Noted	N
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953	<p>Amenity - lighting and noise issues of synthetic hockey. Environment - canopy cover reduced. Issues to biodiversity with brighter lights and noise at night times. Social - limited access to the fenced area, the tennis courts are already a fenced off area. Economic - cost Public open space should be accessible for more than just 1 club</p>	Noted	N

955	I would not like to see time when I won't be able to access Higgins park without being a member of a sport club. I like walking and running on my own in Higgins park and I like that open space. I say NO to BBQ area because that place should be for the exercising and not for adding fat. No food please. It would be the same if there is a smoking area around people who try to stop smoking.	Thank you for your comment. The inclusion of barbeques and picnic tables in the park were identified by the Design Reference Group during the masterplan process.	N
956	I am strongly against the fencing of public spaces for use by sporting clubs. The word 'public' should make this unequivocal.	Noted	N
957	In a community where children and families are rife I think it is a very unfair decision if a hockey pitch was to be put on the Hill view side of Higgins Park. There is a Hockey Stadium at Curtin, not even a 10min walk away	Noted	N
958	Option 3 allows for a natural covering which is environmentally sustainable and allows for maximum public use when the field is not is use for sport - note the general public usage for the park for exercise & dog walkers happens everyday, 2-3 times a day, not just for sports on the weekend	Noted	N
959	As a close resident to Higgins Oval I am strongly opposed to having a synthetic hockey turf at this location as it would negatively impact on our preferred and various leisure activities. It think it would be a noisy, bright eyesore. What else can a synthetic hockey turf be used for other than hockey? We enjoy walking, dog walking, cricket, tball, running, footy, soccer, exercise classes and baseball. It's unfair for that Large amount of space to be solely designated to one sport and one end user.	Thank you for your comments. A synthetic turf can accommodate other users who are able to ensure the surface is not damaged. These potential users include tee ball, tennis, walking hockey with local aged care residents, area 5 and school use	N
960	The open sporting fields are great and to see all being used for junior football on the weekends is just fantastic and used all week and weekend by the community is really good and so worthwhile maintaining. An enclosed synthetic hockey field is just bullshit and stupid.	Noted	N
962	There is enough fenced off sporting areas already. I love the open space and the trees. Its a beautiful place to walk and exercise. I've chosen to love in this area because of what is currently offered at Higgins Park.	Noted	N

963	<p>As a resident in close proximity to Higgins park, I strongly oppose any fenced or synthetic hockey fields at Higgins Park. This area needs to be retain as public open space. Playfield St must remain open to traffic, any changes to this will be detrimental to surrounding side streets. Street parking (from Curtin and Bentley Business Park) and bus routes already put pressure on the smaller side roads surrounding Millen PS and Higgins. No consideration has been given to school drop off/pick up. There are a huge number of children who ride/ walk through this area for Millen PS and Kent St SHS.</p> <p>I do support the development of facilities at Higgins Park, particularly the embankment area between RSL and tennis club. It would be wonderful to see greater shaded viewing areas for spectators and also an outdoor gym/ picnic areas. There also needs to be inclusion of a hitting wall as the current remove the existing wall, which is great for members and non-members of the tennis club. Anti-social behaviour and vehicle break-ins need to be addressed.</p> <p>I strongly oppose the removal of any large existing trees due to the number of nesting birds, particularly birds of prey and boobook owls which nest in these trees annually.</p>	Noted	N
964	<p>If no hockey turf was included in plans then one sporting club would be missing out. It would be a fantastic outcome to provide facilities for all sporting disciplines and no sporting club should be adversely affected.</p> <p>As a Masters midweek hockey player (Curtin university) I have to travel long distances and at late times to be able to access turf facilities eg. 9pm at Rockingham or Joondalup. PHS is our home turf but not all our home games are there due to it being oversubscribed! I know it becomes costly for clubs to hire the turf for training and time slots are limited.</p> <p>It would be a fantastic opportunity for the VPHC children to be able to practice and play on turf. This is the future of the sport and other clubs with these facilities are at a huge advantage. Field hockey is very different to turf hockey.</p> <p>Thank you for allowing the hockey club an opportunity to build a turf...</p>	Noted	N
965	<p>The Reason i have made the choice in this last one is that the sports should be able to share the space I do not think that it can be justified that one sport can control the other however it would be much easy for the footy to be able to move parts of its operations if need however the hockey club has been slowly and graciously through the process to get a turf and it is not something that can happen as easy as moving finding grass.</p>	Noted	N

966	Do not agree with installation of fenced synthetic hockey field turf	Noted	N
967	Development of any sporting facility should allow for multiple sports.	Noted	N
968	I value the large amount of open space for everyones use. If a synthetic hockey turf was out in, this would limit the space to having only one function and serving one purpose and one club	Noted	N
969	I believe that all sports should be given fair representation within the town. Hockey seems to be always on the outer. It would be great to keep this club within the town	Noted	N
970	I strongly support both clubs getting the modern and adequate facilities they need within the town.	Noted	N
971	Increased awareness and encouragement for outdoor activities has created a need for more localised sporting facilities. Victoria Park is a growth area, vibrant and youthful and the community is in need of facilities which provide for local sporting groups across all ages.	Noted	N
972	I would like to preserve the mature trees and grassed oval/recreation area for all to use.	Noted	N
974	I do not like the fencing off of a large portion of the shared space for one specific sport.	Noted	N
975	As a family we have been involved and supported Vic Park Hockey for over 15 years and really want to see it have a home where all training and a fair proportion of games turf and grass can be played on a home ground. It is a wonderful family club and I do not see an issue with it existing side by side with AFL.	Noted	N
976	I love the idea of adding a playground space to Higgins park. I also love the idea to increase native plantings there! I am strongly against the idea of a fenced synthetic hockey turf. I think it will be unpleasant to look at and will reduce the appeal of the park. I do not like the idea of fencing off part of what is currently a public space, so that it cannot be freely accessed. I also hate (!!!) the idea of plastic turf. Not only is it ugly, it is really environmentally unfriendly.	Noted	N

978	The aesthetics of Higgins Park will be destroyed, there is no need to remove the open space where there is a hockey stadium at Curtin just up the road. Any other option besides option 3 will force the Victoria Park Raiders away from their home and force many footballers to travel further than necessary. The Raiders have brought much joy to the community, provided a sense of belonging in particular now including female football.	Noted	N
979	My kids would use the cricket and hockey facilities	Noted	N
980	Options 1 & 2 are not suitable due to noise, light pollution and the proximity to houses. Increased traffic noise and the volume of cars coming and going would increase. We are currently experiencing the noise from the Curtin Uni hockey stadium and do not want anything closer. Also these options would restrict full public access to Higgins Park. Option 3 would benefit the community as a whole and the football club would remain a key element. Keeping the open space and the mature trees would benefit not the local residents but the native birds such as the Boobook Owl.	Noted	N
981	It would be sad to lose the whole community access to Higgins Park. We can hear the hockey games at Curtin Uni clearly from our house now. It would be very intrusive with a hockey stadium that close to residential houses, bright lights, cheering, increased noise and sheer volume of traffic.	Noted	N
983	Introducing the fenced off hockey turf will negatively impact all other users of the space. Most other spaces can be shared. The tennis courts already sit dormant most of the time. Adding more fenced off space is not desirable. That Noted, perhaps most importantly, as a female runner it is hard to find a 'safe running' route. Adding more barriers (any fenced off areas) always add to the risk by reducing permeability. Please consider this very real issue. Open and permeable spaces are the safest places. They are few and far between.	Noted	N
984	Do not take away this green space, a reduction in this field will severely affect my boys football training. We already live in a 380m block, which leaves no room to kick a footy, I utilize these parts so my 8 & 9 yr old can spread their wings - a synthetic turf will destroy that.	Noted	N

985	Please don't destroy our football club by taking our ovals	Noted	N
986	If possible both football and hockey should be accommodated, however the need to fence up the synthetic turf will just ruin the park's look and feel. If a no fence option is available then that'd be great.	Noted	N
987	It is important to the area to have the open playing fields and garden space for the community. It is very well used by many people on an ongoing level and it would be a disadvantage to fence off and increase the level of noise and lighting to this area	Noted	N
991	We desperately need a synthetic turf with adjoining grass fields to promote and encourage club member cohesion and interaction.	Noted	N
992	We need a turf	Noted	N
994	The Vic Park Hockey Club will become stronger if it has its own synthetic hockey turf and will attract talent from the nearby suburbs which go to other clubs as they already have a turf facility. The club is extremely well run and this will further enhance the club as a successful and strong club to join and continue to play with	Noted	N
995	Enhance and provide passive recreation amenity to the local community. A synthetic turf field will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use. It would be not a responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces if it does not maximise usage. We should make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park).	Noted	N
996	Vic Park Panthers have been seeking a turf for many years. The club caters for a wide demographic of hockey players and encourages community spirit. Numbers for Minkey (kids hockey) in the 2020 shows the promising future of the club. To better service the club in general and premier league a turf is a vital addition.	Noted	N
997	Hockey is one of the few all inclusive sports where players of all ages, and abilities regardless of gender can participate. A synthetic Hockey Turf would provide year round opportunities to enjoy this exciting sport and would be an asset to the Town of Victoria Park.	Noted	N

998	<p>Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space for those who don't want to go around the corner to other large grassed areas to walk their dogs).</p> <p>I believe the developments proposed for Hockey and Football fields, as well as all the other plans will increase activity in the community and the extra lighting will increase community safety which is needed.</p>	Noted	N
999	<p>Creating a multisport complex means greater community engagement at Higgins Park. This should not be seen as an option for one or the other but a way to incorporate as many different people to use Higgins park as possible. I believe proposals for hockey + football could very well have a symbiotic relationship and benefit both parties.</p>	Noted	N
1001	<p>The space should be as amenable as possible for socialisation and all sports. There are plenty of football/cricket ovals in the Vic Park/Carlisle/East Vic Park area, there is only one hockey ground (bar Curtin) in the whole area. Therefore the area should be as utilised as possible for ALL sports plus social plus the RSL.</p>	Noted	N
1002	<p>Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site. Will bring some new sport and utilised a lot more than current venues.</p>	Noted	N
1005	<p>Believe the football fields should stay, they have alot of history and are a great release for young kids</p>	Noted	N
1006	<p>It is a great opportunity for vic park hockey to finally get a hockey turf and I think it's important the football club still has access to an oval so I see no issue in the development of a synthetic hockey pitch.</p>	Noted	N
1007	<p>I would really like to see the hockey integrated into this site</p>	Noted	N
1009	<p>Hockey is a strong hub in this area and supports a large junior and senior competition</p>	Noted	N
1010	<p>PHS is only a couple minutes away from the park so there is no reason to get a new turf when there are two already very close by</p>	Noted	N

1011	Vic park has a strong hock club with a great junior and senior representation it is a hub for community connection	Noted	N
1012	We would like to see the oval used by more individuals in the community of all ages and with different sporting interest. It will allow young individuals a safe place to play different sport which are lacking in this area.	Noted	N
1014	There is need for diversification of sporting opportunities so as to encourage more outdoor activities	Noted	N
1016	Modern turf field in addition to grass (for football or hockey) maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a new, modern sport facility. There is already a very large, underused grass field close to Higgins Park. The most responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces is to maximise variety and usage. Hockey will activate the site and increase lighting and community safety. The hockey club brings people together. At a time we are trying to increase social connection and decrease antisocial behaviour, this is an asset to the local community and the town.	Noted	N
1017	I think that there should be access to a range of different sporting grounds to encourage community engagement in a variety of sports. I think Auskick and Junior AFL facilities should be prioritised as it is currently functioning in this area.	Noted	N
1018	Hockey playing family. Supporting Vic Park Hockey Club.	Noted	N
1019	<p>Let's maximise the use of this space - not only will it bring a new sport to the oval, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space. Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. It will also mean better facilities and better maintained grounds for the local community to use.</p> <p>Make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park). It would be not a responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces if it does not maximise usage.</p>	Noted	N

1020	A synthetic turf and grass fields provide a great opportunity for juniors and seniors alike to be part of a sport that has continuously one of Australia's most successful team sports in Olympic Games and world cups for both genders. The Town of Vic Park has the opportunity to use these fields for all of the community.	Noted	N
1021	Hockey is a growing sport and as a meme net of the national team relocating to Perth the community fell a hockey community creates is a benefit for all. Australia has a proud history in hockey and with the artificial turf it allows for greater development. Option 1 and 2 are great options for all parties involved. The safety of lighting creates a better environment for those around the complex! I strong support option 1 and 2!!	Noted	N
1022	Hockey has no turf for the clubs in the area, and there is an abundance of already underutilised grassed areas in the near vicinity (such as Harold Rossiter) It also encourages multiple sports, and integration between sports and clubs for better sense of community and inclusion.	Noted	N
1023	Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space). Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. (A modern turf field AS WELL as grass (for football or hockey) maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a modern sport facility) Enhance and provide passive recreation amenity to the local community. A synthetic turf field will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use. Make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park). It would be not a responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces if it does not maximise usage. Hockey will activate the site and increase lighting and community safety.	Noted	N
1024	We need more hockey turfs in Western Australia, as number 1 ranked hockey team in the world we need to promote this sport more and the AIS is based in WA, we need more growth here.	Noted	N
1025	I don't think fenced synthetic turf is appropriate in this nature space	Noted	N

1027	The addition of synthetic turf in an area of green space/nature is unacceptable to me, especially in an area with good access to pre-existing hockey facilities (Curtin Uni). The retention of as many pre-existing mature trees and reducing urban heat island effect is important to me.	Noted	N
1028	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. incorporates some of the other new plan features, 2. a single winter sport as two winter sports competing needs, space and availability 3. amalgamating turf, fields, clubhouse to a single location, helping create the community culture for the sport, addressing the diversity for the community interaction between juniors and seniors, men and women, boys and girls. 	Noted	N
1030	Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space).	Noted	N
1031	Ground is too small to have multiple sport grounds. It will affect football community and kids	Noted	N
1033	A hockey turf is essential in the area due to the lack of a club facility for one of the largest hockey clubs in Perth. Vic Park is one of the few premier league clubs on the eastern side of Perth. We drive from the Swan Valley to play for the club. We often shop and eat in the Vic Park area as a result. I think there would be similar people from the country who would do the same. We spend our money in the area. A hockey turf would cement Vic Park as a competitive and growing club into the future and not dependent on Curtin's shared facilities.	Noted	N

1034	<p>The junior football club is located in an area which has a reasonably high amount of public housing for the Town. Children from low socio-economic demographics are able to walk to football training and home games. The location of the club has provided the opportunity for ALL children in the area to participate and enjoy the benefits of belonging to a local, LOW COST, community sporting club. It has provided, and continues to provide, local children with a sense of belonging in a space they can connect to. Moving the club to another location within the town would remove this opportunity and all the benefits it brings. The club is the ONLY junior AFL junior football club in the Town of Victoria Park and most of the players live locally. With the recent introduction and popularity of AFLW, the numbers of young females wanting to be involved in the sport is growing. Please don't put any more impediments in the way of young females, from low socio-economic areas, playing a sport they love. While the site of Higgins Park and associated land is reasonably large, the playing surfaces that are available are not. There is just not enough room to accommodate both winter sports (hockey and football) in this location. Fencing off an area (synthetic turf field) for just one sport removes it from being an area of open space that can be enjoyed by multiple sports and all residents of the town.</p> <p>Finally, I am at a loss to understand how it could possibly be cost efficient to relocate 2 sporting clubs instead of just relocating the hockey club.</p>	Noted	N
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<p>1035</p>	<p>Environmental concerns For removing trees in Higgins Park</p> <p>The removal of trees from Higgins park will have unfavourable consequences both for occupants of the local area, as well as wildlife utilising this green space as habitat.</p> <p>Trees have a cooling effect on the local area [Wang, Wang & Yang, 2018]. With increasing average temperatures and growing rate of heat waves, preserving green spaces in developed areas is vital in mitigating the worst effects of a changing climate. These trees are bustling with bird life, from rainbow lorikeets, wattle birds, black cockatoos, honey eaters, and more, feeding on the flowers and nuts of these trees. Removing these trees would contribute to the fragmentation of these species' habitat. These trees are decades old, removing them would be destroying local heritage. While a building can be rebuilt in a relatively short period of time, trees of this magnitude will take a lifetime of growth to compare to those already present.</p> <p>Environmental concerns For synthetic turf installation</p> <p>Installation of synthetic turf also has a broad range of negative impacts: Currently, pink and grey galahs and white galahs feed on the grass's seed while willie wagtails feed on insects, which make a home in the grass. Replacing the grass with synthetic turf would contribute to reduced species diversity, through habitat loss. The health impacts of synthetic turf should also be Noted Being made of plastic, the turf will degrade, resulting in microplastics leaching into the soil, and waterways, where they enter the ecosystem and collect in higher and higher quantities, eventually being found in our organs [Carrington D, 2020]. We should be minimising our use of plastics wherever possible, not replacing ecologically valuable grass with it. The university of Ballarat found that synthetic turf can increase the temperature of the local area by 40% when compared to natural grass. With climate change increasing the average temperature and the rate of heat waves, getting rid of a heat sink is irresponsible to the health</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>N</p>
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<https://doi.org/10.1029/2018EF000891>

1036	I would like to see a Hockey field included in this area from a diversity perspective.	Noted	N
1038	Being a past footy and hockey parent from both these clubs, I believe that the ground should remain to the present football and cricket sporting community. I believe that there is a more viable option for the hockey club to build a turf ground elsewhere, even if it is housed outside the Vic Park area for example Fremantle Hockey club relocated to the Cockburn area which created a joined force as the Fremantle Cockburn Hockey Club. An agreement was met with both parties very happy with the outcome. I believe that this can happen here too without interfering with the Vic Park Jnr Football club and keeping the green space available to the community.	Noted	N
1039	Having hockey fields/hockey turf at Higgins Park will bring and encourage all ages of players/members. The grassed field/s can also be utilised by all other residential & community activities. This will also bring the Vic Park Hockey Club (together) as one big family sporting organisation. The social sporting activity will also bring more people to the Town of Vic Park as well as security with increased lighting most nights of the week.	Noted	N
1041	I don't see the need to replace perfectly good grassed sports area with synthetic grass hockey fields when Curtin has an international standard hockey centre less than 2km away.	Noted	N
1042	Turf tolerates more games per week than grass without wear. Combined with grass areas for other times and passive use. Shared with multiple sports.	Noted	N
1043	i strongly support option 2 more than 1, and totally disagree with option 3. i think option 2 is by far the best plan as it caters to the needs of all stake holders, providing fletcher park becomes available for football. I think a synthetic hockey surface would be a major asset to the town. Speaking from my experience in the country town of Narrogin, who have had one since 2002. It is used all year round by a multitude of sports groups and age groups. i can not speak highly enough of the benefits that an artificial hockey turf will bring. I think the town missed the boat with not allowing the hockey club to use harold rossiter park, bowing to a handfull of dog walkers. And everytime i drive past that massive sight i think everyone could of used the park. Please dont make the same mistake again .	Noted	N

1044	<p>I do not understand why the council is proposing to install a synthetic hockey turf on Higgins Park. This would disadvantage the existing football club (Raiders) that are already based in the park and would remove considerable green open space which is accessed by the local community.. There is very little green open space available in East Victoria Park and to remove grass and trees does not seem to me to be a sensible option.</p> <p>The cost to the community is considerably greater for both option 1 and option 2 compared to option 3. In my opinion the hockey club should continue to use the hockey turfs at Curtin University.</p> <p>The Raiders football club gives junior football players direction in their lives, as well as discipline and a sense of community and well being. Why should the council support a hockey club to the detriment of the existing football club and local community.</p>	Noted	N
1045	Options 1 & 2 support provide hockey opportunities.	Noted	N
1046	i support option 2 from option 1, but totally disagree with option 3. i think a synthetic hockey pitch would be a great asset for the town. i grew up in a country town with a synthetic hockey turf and it has become a community hub used by a multitude of different people.	Noted	N
1047	<p>As a resident and business operator of the Town of Victoria Park I strongly support for a synthetic turf at Higgins Park. Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club is the largest community sporting club in your Town. In order for the club to continue to grow and expand in the sporting arena the club ideally needs to have its own synthetic turf facility. Such a facility will become a community asset which will benefit not only the Members of the Hockey Club but also the wider community who will be able to make use of the turf in summer and winter.</p> <p>The social benefits of hockey for both Juniors and Seniors to keep active and play in a team environment is vitally important. The physical and mental benefits of team sports is a very important factor in addressing health and wellbeing of our community. The lessons learnt in playing in a sporting team certainly helps youngsters from boredom, keep them away from anti-social behaviours and be model citizens in our communities. It also keep us seniors active and moving which certainly reduces health related costs to the community. Not to mention the culture that the hockey community bringing many generations together to further enrich the culture of the Town of Victoria Park.</p>	Noted	N

1048	I would hate nothing more than to have a hockey pitch across from my house. To me, Higgins Park is the central community of AFL in the area. To take that away would be a disgrace. I am a fan of hockey, and I know how late games can go to and I know how loud it can be. Living across the road from a hockey pitch would be hell. To see a Hockey Pitch on Higgins Park would be a disgrace. Work on making the park better for the current avid football fans.	Noted	N
1049	Hockey is a huge sport in Australia and an Olympic Sport with great potential to grow further in our area providing fitness and sporting opportunities for juniors through to masters. To not grasp this chance to develop the sport would be a big mistake for sportA growth across our city.	Noted	N
1052	I am happy for a hockey turf to be added to higgins Park area	Noted	N
1053	I play hockey for Vic Park and would love to have the option of playing on synthetic turf on a home ground. I also feel it would bring additional funds to the community as a whole with other clubs/people playing there the likelihood of money being spent while in the suburb is higher. Fitness/activity is also great for mental health and well-being do the additional options would be a great addition.	Noted	N
1054	i live on hillview terrace and i am more than happy with what we have now. i do not support synthetic turf at all :(Noted	N
1055	I would prefer to maintain the open green spaces. Given the close proximity to other synthetic hockey turfs, I don't see the immediate requirement for a facility that will require such drastic reduction in available playing space for well established clubs.	Noted	N
1056	hockey field is bad	Noted	N

1057	I have somewhat supported option 2 as it goes some way to making the area a little more fair in use to other more popular sports. You have wrongly used the word football to describe AFL. FOOTBALL is what Americans call soccer. It is EXTREMELY disappointing that there is no football (soccer) as this is twice as popular in Australia than AFL and with being so close to Curtin where most of the students like and play proper football.	Thank you for your comments. Soccer is accommodated on many other public open spaces within the Town of Victoria Park. A Recreational Needs Assessment was undertaken prior to this masterplan to determine the scope of potential inclusions on this site, and this did not suggest soccer as an option. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N
1058	i don't like the idea of the fake grass	Noted	N
1060	Option 1 seems to retain the most variety in terms of user groups and options.	Noted	N
1061	My family and I regularly use Higgins park and would like to see the space retained for as many people to use as possible. Building a fenced synthetic hockey turf would significantly change the feel of the park and I'm concerned about the loss of mature trees, impacts on traffic and noise for locals, plus implications for existing sports clubs who use the park.	Noted	N
1062	Hockey is a growing community, it is one that can be played until you are in your 70's/80's and it is also one of those few sports when men and women can be on the same team. WA is also the home of hockey in Australia. At the moment we can't even get a full Turf for senior high grade hockey players to train on. Footy has also had the installation of the new football facilities in Lathlain, plus the multiple football fields in this community. We have one training ground, in Vic park and we have 2 turfs at PHS that are shared with multiple clubs and private schools too, please let's make this a multi sport community and show people that Hockey is also a wonderful sport that returns so much to the community. Thank You	Noted	N

1063	My family and I have played for Vic Park for over 10 years. In this time we have watched other clubs attain synthetic turf and grass facilities enabling them to retain and create a great community feel around their club. We have challenges to create this community as our grass fields and hired turf facility are some distance apart. The longer this is the case the harder it will be to encourage new players to join us over clubs with a better hockey community feel and better facilities.	Noted	N
1064	Wide open spaces and trees, trees, trees. Has anyone thought of the spaces in Burswood that do not have residential areas?	Noted	N
1065	Hockey has been requesting this for many years with great community support please allow it finally.	Noted	N
1067	I believe the more sporting clubs In the area thriving is a great benefit to the local community and will hopefully get more people involved. Having a turf there will in no way stop other members of the community using the grass fields around it .	Noted	N
1068	<p>This hockey stadium would be the closest built to residential homes in the whole of Australia. Curtin hockey stadium is 987 linear meters from the proposed hockey turf. Not even 1km in distance!</p> <p>I currently hear the Hockey games from Curtin and associated noise very intrusively in my home let alone having added noise pollution by adding another Hockey stadium.</p> <p>Concerns that the hockey stadium would not be financially viable and become unkept.</p> <p>If the hockey stadium is built it will remove green space that is used by the community. I walk my dog at Higgins and play on the oval with my kids.</p> <p>Community space and existing sport teams should not be displaced to accommodate a single sports team.</p> <p>Higgins Park is open to everyone. The Hockey stadium is only for Hockey use and not accessible to the community.</p> <p>I am not against Hockey as a sport but I do believe Higgins Park is not the place to build a hockey turf and it's associated infrastructure. Higgins Park should remain a green space that is open to the community.</p>	Noted	N

1069	<p>I feel the additions of synthetic grasses, fenced off areas and over capitalising into some of these buildings will actually reduce the community usage and spirit in our park.</p> <p>The ability to enjoy wide open spaces, with well planned and thoughtful amenities is what will make this area great.</p> <p>I feel option 1 and option 2 do not meet this criteria and should be passed over for the preferred option 3 on all the proposals.</p>	Noted	N
1070	<p>This is a large public space should be available as multi use multi purpose site. Across age groups and activities. It is not the councils role to end up offering a bidding war of clubs against clubs but to work proactively together. This is sadly how things are viewed broadly across the community. We should be working as a community sporting/active recreation unit for maximum involvement of all. Yes i love hockey.. played by 4 yr olds to 75yrs upwards, there are not many sports that can promote themselves as such. Appropriate playing facilities ensures our club doesn't lose members to other clubs with turfs..and resulting in loss of economic benefit to the tovp.</p>	Noted	N
1071	<p>After being a resident adjacent to Higgins Park for over two decades & experiencing the sports activities that are played throughout the entire year; it would be extremely disappointing to have what is a reserved area, used for what is, native to this country: Australian Rules Football, & also used by cricket for both Junior & Senior grades, and too, the availability that is, green open space, optimized by the use of, the general public relative to the whole community which includes personal exercise, relaxation & in all, enjoyment! All for which would be compromised for the sake of hockey and particularly, for the provision of a fenced, synthetic turf area which would interfere with the entire free space of what has for years, been the feature and drawcard for the use of Higgins Park?</p> <p>For these reasons, I urge councilors to preserve, the entire area of Higgins Park as it presently is and thereby, support as most-Option 3 (Football Focus).</p> <p>However, the provision of two cricket pitches as illustrated within the diagram of Option 3, it would appear that that, may be unsuitable?</p> <p>I would therefore, recommend exploring if this could be reconfigured? Otherwise, I suggest, Higgins Park be left as it is, given it has been operating at its full capacity as a sporting facility for Australian Rules Football & cricket, preserving the provision of optimal green space with minimal, negative, residential impacts.</p>	Noted	N

1073	<p>I am strongly opposed to the closure of Playfield Street as it would push more traffic on to smaller side streets and is unnecessary. The embankment area ideas for terraces and exercise zones are good but you could also add picnic tables/shelters at the bottom and on the Hillview tce end next to the tennis courts as this is a nice are to sit and relax and could also be used by people watching there kids play tennis. The multisport court idea next to the tennis court is ok but provision for a hit up wall needs to be provided as the current one will be lost in these configurations.</p> <p>I am strongly opposed to the synthetic hockey idea at Higgins Park as it will reduce the beautiful open community space that it is currently. The open space we have at Higgins is unique and irreplaceable and should be protected in its current configuration to allow full community use. If hockey needs a space what about using the new brownfield space that would be created under the raised railway line between Oats street and welshpool rd? Please do not ruin our park.</p>	Thank you for your comments. Your suggestions for picnic tables/shelters and a hit wall will be considered during Design Development.	N - considered in Design Development
1074	<p>Do not close Playfield street it will just make the other streets busier. Make sure there is a hit up wall for tennis as it looks like its gone in the configurations.</p> <p>Please leave the beautiful open space of Higgins as is and do not put artificial fenced hockey there, it will ruin the park. The open space at Higgins is a breath of fresh air in Vic Park and as we get more an more urban infill it will be ever more important. I want it to be there when I am old.</p>	Thank you for your comments. Your suggestions for picnic tables/shelters and a hit wall will be considered during Design Development.	N - considered in Design Development

1075	<p>This is my local park & I have been using it for 20 years. I LOVE the open space Higgins Park/ Playfield Reserve offers and the ability for our community to meet & socialise, kids to play sport or simply run, people to walk their dogs, or for many an opportunity to just interact with nature. Overall, I support change & this will be a long overdue rejuvenation of the whole area. I support many of the ideas proposed, especially the youth zones, additional plantings of appropriate trees/ local natives, paths, various fitness areas, amphitheatre & formal parking. A few points:</p> <p>1) I DO NOT support any option that means the local football club will have to relocate - this is simply unacceptable. This needs to be a shared/ integrated facility, to benefit ALL.</p> <p>2) Fenced/ synthetic hockey fields are not particularly aesthetically pleasing, nor are they accessible to ALL. In addition, it would be very close proximity to local residents - how is the ToVP going to reduce the impact on those resident's whose houses are less than 100m away - there is NO buffer. Is this in line with ToVP's goals of amenity for all?</p> <p>3) I strongly support the review/ implementation of safe access to Millen PS through the park (AND across Hillview Terrace) from St James for those families who choose to walk/ ride to school - currently it is dangerous crossing Hillview Terrace & only a matter of time before some-one gets seriously injured.</p> <p>4) The final plan needs to include as much parking as possible to cater for RSL patrons (especially if Fred Bell Pde is closed) & parents of students at Millen PS at drop off/ pick-up plus various sporting events/ training as the area gets very congested currently. Curtin university students also pose an issue as they park along Creaton St, taking advantage of free verge parking. Traffic calming is also necessary as there are often "hoons" around who drive dangerously through the back streets. Might be worth considering one-way streets (Etwell & Ramsden between Playfield & Pinedale) during peak periods to assist with the flow of traffic?</p>	<p>Thank you for your comments. Your suggestions regarding traffic management will be addressed during the Design Development stage. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.</p>	<p>N - considered in Design Development</p>
1078	<p>ALL community sporting codes should be catered for to utilise this area, not just one. I have witnessed many ovals being "under-used" which is a waste of rate payers money.</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>N</p>
1079	<p>I feel that hockey needs to be more supported and more hockey turfs need to be built throughout Perth.</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>N</p>
1080	<p>Because option 1 and 2 will mean the football club will no longer have a full facility which has been a community mainstay and well used facility for many years and can be used by all, hockey turfs are limited to hockey players and will limit community use</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>N</p>

1082	Football at Higgins park has changed the life of many of my friends and family, we all have regular catch ups at that same park to use the goal posts and regularly attend raiders club events	Noted	N
1083	Strongly prefer the open grassed areas as they are. Not in favour of a fenced area or hockey turf.	Noted	N
1084	greenspaces are very important to the people of Vic Park- as there isn't much i exercise on Higgins I play social cricket on Higgins I kick the footy on Higgins- i walk the dog every night on Higgins I relax at Higgins I interact with my community on Higgins Fencing part of it off and astro-turfing for a hockey field- when Curtin Hockey Fields are just around the corner- is very short-sighted and very very stupid- we need MORE greenspace not LESS!- as a long-time ratepayer i am disappointed in the council for even considering it- smells like vested interests- smells like corruption and absolutely stinks of stupidity	Noted	N
1086	These choices would allow a new and very family oriented sport which has members of all ages-4yrs to 70 +. A large amount of the open grass area would be retained. The space would be maximised and modernised, with improved grass grounds for football and hockey and a modern sport facility. The local community would gain improved areas for passive recreation and the synthetic turf would be an active area improving lighting and safety for all residents.	Noted	N
1088	Prefer to have hockey turf and fields	Noted	N
1089	Adding a hockey synthetic pitch maximises the diversity of sports able to be played	Noted	N
1090	Due to living in the area, it would be nice to see a change and increase in the use of Higgins Park. With the synthetic hockey pitch being included at Higgins Park, it will not only bring a new sport to the area but also bring new life to the park with the range of all ages being able to utilise the space. The inclusion of the synthetic pitch and grass pitches, it will add a modern aspect to the area with the ability to be used for not only hockey but other active and passive activities.	Noted	N
1092	Keeps the greenfield open space. Do not need hockey at this football/cricket ground	Thanks for your comment. Cricket is currently played at Higgins Park and is proposed to remain.	N

1095	<p>Higgins Park is used by many on a daily basis for walking, playing, and general outdoor relaxation. I take my grandchildren there to run around and play.</p> <p>Hockey fields (synthetic) are user specific facilities and have restricted access not available to all residents and thereby, no longer Public Open Space.</p> <p>I often drive past the hockey fields at Curtin Uni and seldom see them being used and feel the same under used would occur at hockey fields at Higgins Park.</p> <p>Junior sport is important to the young of today and should be retained at Higgins Park and near residential areas. The hockey club has existing facilities for junior sport also set near residential areas and should be retained as is.</p> <p>If the hockey club has it sites set on synthetic playing fields, perhaps it could be looking at commercial/light industrial areas, similar to requirements that religious groups now seem to be using.</p> <p>Public open space is a valued asset to the community and will be more important and necessary as the area is further developed for higher density living.</p> <p>Please do not reduce the public open space available by locking up land in a synthetic hockey field development.</p>	Noted	N
1096	Retains more of the history and essence of the land and its community initiatives	Noted	N
1097	Question 11. Hockey and Football are played in the same season why would you have a small area for 2 sports that will collide with each other, it would be a hazard at the best of times the hockey stadium is right around the corner as an alternative a better space for Hockey would be Fraser Park with it's limestone wall surroundings	Noted	N
1098	Kids playgrounds and picnic/bbq areas are very popular and there are not enough large kids playgrounds near my area. It would be great to have some more.	Noted	N
1099	All the years that I've been to Higgins Park it's always been associated with football and cricket	Noted	N

1100	As a current user of higgins park, it does look a little run down. The "anti-hockey" group seems to particularly well-funded, and I don't think they necessarily represent the community view (we've been doorknocked 4 times, and I the group seem to be quite persistent in trying to get signatures). Also, I have previously been a big user of Morris Buzzacot reserve in Melville, and know that hockey & cricket can co-exist pretty well, and also that the artificial turf is not a big imposition on the green space (particularly as it won't necessarily be hockey only - I've played soccer on the Melville ones).	Noted	N
1101	From reports online from the Vic Park Raiders, I fail to see why a synthetic turf would be laid which is useless for any other sport except hockey. Disappointing that the council has put two good sporting clubs up against each other. Vic Park Raiders from my research is one of the best small football clubs for children - offer something else to the hockey club rather than create this divisive situation. The hockey club could have been re established by now rather than putting both through all this stress. Shame on Town of Vic Park.	Noted	N
1102	The open space of Higgins Park is unique as with the old trees that surrounds it. I walk my dog on the oval every morning and love watching all the people using the space. I like the idea of small upgrades even a fitness park with outdoor equipment would be good but the addition of hockey fields and the removal of the old trees would be an absolute loss for the community and the vibe of the Park.	Noted	N
1103	Having a synthetic turf will ensure that Higgins park becomes a multiple sport facility.	Noted	N
1105	Building a synthetic area, that blocks public access to an outdoors area is disgraceful. Higgins park is home to many people, animals, birds, trees that have been there for many years - destroying this takes peoples lively hoods away, destroying nature and the nly free open space we have. Build at curtain	Noted	N
1106	I support the clubs that have been using theses facilities for the last 70 years bi strongly appose hockey's field particularly a southern river team with no interest in our communities. Surely cityb9f Gosnells are able to provide the facilities in their council zones for the hockey team. There are already state hockey team facilities at Curtin University. Community football teams involve families who reside in vic park council area. This is who you should assisting as these are your rate payers and citizens.	Thank you for your comments. The hockey club involved in this masterplan is The Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club, not a Southern River club.	N

1107	<p>It is grossly wrong for Council to be spending money on ventures which should be fully funded by the State Gov. Synthetic hockey turfs are a want, not a need, and of little use to ratepayers. Most users would likely be non-residents or ratepayers of the Town. Consequent to that will be loss of existing amenity for local residents and likely further traffic, noise and lighting issues. Also, if the hockey club players are good enough they would be already be playing on STurf at Curtin. Please see sense and abandon this expensive folly!!!</p>	Noted	N
1108	<p>Whilst I may be a member of the hockey club I strongly feel this is not an appropriate place for the hockey club, it isn't a bigger enough area, it will impact on the local community and the local environment.</p> <p>I am an ex resident on Vic park and used to take my kids to this park regularly. It is a beautiful park and I strongly feel to put an artificial turf here is not logical.</p> <p>May respectfully suggest a industrial site or Something similar to put a artificial turf on. It's a pity the old Bunnings near Carousel isn't In vic park as it has the space and parking required and wouldn't impact on the environment.</p> <p>May I also add the hockey club is being very one minded and not informing it's newer members (minkey) of the whole truth.</p> <p>In conclusion I'd loved the hockey to get turf but not at the expense of other sporting clubs and the beautiful open space that's is Higgins Park.</p>	Noted	N
1109	<p>There are ample hockey facilities around without using Higgins Park. During COVID, should you focus more on other pressing issues????</p>	Noted	N

1110	<p>With increasing urban density more people are living in smaller homes due to the older properties of around 800m2 being subdivided. With the Town's residents expected to double in populations sometime in the 40s then almost treble the following decade, the hockey club's membership would be expected to have a similar trajectory. Its a very simple equation, increased density means an increased demand for leisure and sports facilities in the future. That makes the establishment of a turf facility vital for the hockey club's existence and progression.</p> <p>A well-planned project such as the Higgins park Master Plan can bring many benefits such as introduce a diverse range of activities to bring about more usage and vibrancy to local residents. Not only does this site have enormous growth potential for the future of hockey in the Town, but it has the capability because of the range of attractions and event it could produce, to become an exceptional community hub.</p> <p>Funds that belong to the Town need to be invested in assets that produce high returns. An artificial hockey turf is one such asset. The economic boost that an investment in a turf with a public cafe inside the clubhouse would prove substantial for the clubs involved as well as the local business community and sponsors who would be the recipients of much needed extra revenue.</p> <p>It is imperative that we engage youth in the district to keep them involved with sport and out of trouble. Our aim is to support, encourage and motivate young people, especially those who are disengaged, idle or unemployed, by keeping them off the streets and doing something positive. For instance young people love to play hockey under lights on synthetic turf, especially on Fridays so that families can spend quality time together on weekends. Building this facility is saying to our young people, "you are part of the community, you have a place also"</p> <p>A community cafe should be strongly considered to become part of the clubhouse not only would it create a strong income stream for all users of the facility, but it would also allow the different clubs to invest in improvements to the Town's considerable assets. Cafe's have proved to be an integral part of local communities.</p> <p>Maintaining a healthy and active lifestyle is important for members of the community. This includes eating well, exercising and keeping mentally well by socializing. Out of a pandemic comes opportunity. Don't waste a pandemic.</p> <p>A modern gym either inside, or built alongside the clubhouse would not only be very popular with sporting people, but also for members of the public who enjoy being active and healthy. Our large number of members make a significant financial contribution, via the rates they pay, as well as the investment they make in volunteering their services to the Town's benefit.</p>	Noted	N
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	<p>It is hoped that Council can arrive at a fair, and well considered assessment of the turf, now in it's 18th year of deliberation. There are no problems, only solutions.</p>		
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1111	<p>The Higgins Park master plan process presents the ToVP with an opportunity to make better use of its available active reserves, delivering better outcomes for all sporting clubs in the town. Integrating hockey into the Higgins Park plan will bring a new sport which is played by people of all ages and also has a high female participation rate to the park. It will also bring to a conclusion the search for a suitable location for a hockey turf within the town that has lasted almost 2 decades!</p> <p>If it is found that the facilities are tight with both AFL football and hockey there, I believe there is scope for football at other parks within the town that have previously been ruled as unsuitable for a hockey turf.</p> <p>It is pleasing to see that all sporting configuration options result in the loss of almost no mature trees, and that the new plantings will enhance the green appeal of the site. And despite the areas dedicated to tennis, croquet, hockey and basketball (?), there is still large grassed areas for grass based sports and passive recreation pursuits.</p>	Noted	N
1112	We need a hockey turf for player development and to bring more business to vic park area	Noted	N
1114	Higgins is the home of junior football. there must be other options for the hockey playing fields. we are already limited to space on training and game days.	Noted	N
1116	I do not want to see any hockey courts at Higgins park. Ideally I would prefer if Higgins park stays untouched. It's great the way it is	Noted	N
1117	It is my preference for the area to remain as public open space, with the availability of its current sporting use to remain, I.E the football oval and club facilities, tennis courts and croquet facilities. I feel that this is has greater importance with the current land infill in the area to ensure that open spaces are available and maintained for the use of not only local residence but those visiting the suburb.	Noted	N
1118	Retaining limited parkland, hockey turfs and club are available at WASP Hockey Club South Perth. Hockey turf allows limited access for the community.	Noted	N
1119	I think the existing football field and tennis court configuration should be maintained as much as possible. Adding the hockey pitch would reduce green space, and put a large, unsightly fenced structure with lights. This would be very disruptive and take away from the existing loved area. The other options improve on the existing design, the hockey pitches definitely do not.	Noted	N

1120	<p>I am against a synthetic hockey turf area for a number of reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No one else but hockey players can use this space, 2. Synthetic turf itself is not environmentally friendly and will reduce areas of natural vegetation, 3. Curtin has a hockey stadium at a very close distance - and 3. Hockey is not the most popular sport and should not warrant denying access to most people, to a substantial part of the current fields. 	Noted	N
1122	<p>I Believe the omission of a fenced hockey facility would be most beneficial for the community. I have two daughters that would benefit more from keeping the park as close to it's current state as possible.</p>	Noted	N
1124	<p>I have lived in the vicinity of Higgins park for almost 40 years, my children and grand children went to school nearby and we all use Higgins Park for our exercise and play with our children and grand children as well as neighbors. I would like a minimal change to the the existing Higgins Park. Thank You for your consideration.</p>	Noted	N
1125	<p>My children used to play hockey and I found the Victoria's Park club to be a fantastic community club but it struggled to support all its players into top level as well as keep its community players engaged as they played at different places. When a turf was proposed I thought that would be wonderful (although too late for my children) but I was horrified and offended by some of the hate campaign being run against the idea of an enclosed turf. I have visited many other clubs who were lucky enough to have a turf and the enclosed area is minimal, people can still walk their dogs in the adjoining areas and having the grass and synthetic fields together means the club can operate as an integrated club. With a real community club like the Vic Park hockey club, there are mums and dads playing at social grades, maybe one child (girl or boy) playing elite grades and other children playing at development level. It would be great to strengthen this type of family club. I would love to participate in such a club, maybe with grandchildren someday. Meanwhile, I can still walk my dog or visit the attractive bush area in the revised plan.</p>	Noted	N
1126	<p>My family, friends and I extensively use the Higgins park reserve, and I see merit in some of the plans. However, the space is already excluding the community from some of the space, with the tennis courts - the addition of a hockey astroturf will further lock up the space for the benefit of few.</p> <p>There is a hockey pitch at Curtin University, and I'm sure plenty of open spaces in South Perth that could accommodate a hokey pitch.</p>	Noted	N

1127	OPtion 2 was the least expensive that offered upgrades and additions to the park that introduces more community and social involvement. Adding hockey turf provides a multi purpose surface that can be used for all sport and surrounding schools and businesses can benefit from having this new ground close by.	Noted	N
1128	Let's not turn this area into an eyesore.	Noted	N
1130	I do not think a fenced synthetic turf is necessary on a public community space. Surely there is another area in the town of Victoria Park better suited. Technology Park perhaps?	Thank you for your comment. The intention of this masterplan is not to determine a location for a synthetic hockey turf, but to optimise the use of Higgins Park and Playfield Reserve. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N
1131	Although not currently affiliated with any clubs, our kids have been involved with junior footy and cricket at higgins park. I think it would be a terrible decision to diminish the fields of such a beloved junior football club. Having previously played hockey I know of the demands for synthetic turf time In our area, and a hockey club and synthetic turf would be a great addition to vic park, just not at Higgins park.	Noted	N
1132	The hockey club have been wanting their own playing turf for many years. There are plenty of open spaces for football	Noted	N

1133	Higgins Park is a beautiful open space that is not only utilised by footy but often by locals walking dogs, walkers and kids playing. I am against putting a larger fenced off hockey ground which will remove a considerable amount of the park from local access and result in the relocation of footy. The proposal of Option 2 should not have been included without transparency for where the football club will be located to or even if an alternative ground has been found. I also do not think Option 1 clearly indicates on the ground how cramped it will become if hockey is along with footy. Completely against hockey moving to Higgins as a person who lives nearby the thumping of hockey pucks at night and the lights will reduce the serenity of the area. Other hockey clubs in Perth usually have significant unoccupied land around the fields. Disappointed that the council has shown to pit two clubs against each other.	Noted	N
1134	Grass roots football club which support youth from my school. With a Lack of green public access areas keeping into the area options 1 and 2 would reduce this even further to the detriment of the community.	Noted	N
1135	Higgins Park is a gem for our community! We need more trees, not more enclosed spaces for sport activities.	Noted	N
1136	I strongly support the two ideas involving hockey turfs as it is an opportunity for the sport of hockey to grow and expand, especially within the club of Victoria Park Panthers to grow and receive more members. It also makes it easier for the club players to grow as players as they are able to access more hockey fields (more room) as well as constantly a hockey turf that they can train on. As synthetic turfs are a very big improvement to hockey players as when you get older its all you play on.	Noted	N
1138	We need to retain as much grassed area as we can.	Noted	N
1139	Applying synthetic turf is in direct opposition to the current environmental science stance, which condemns the removal of soils and grasses and replacing with synthetics. This is a known contributor of excess carbons and a practice which must stop. Do what you may with an over all plan for the community but do not remove grasses, lawns etc and replace with synthetic turf. And Leave the trees. And yes, plant more!	Noted	N

1141	A club should be able to provide all members the facilities at one venue. Hockey is played by males and females of all ages. Half the rate payers of Town of Vic Park are female yet the Town provides very few facilities for females. Option 2 benefits more people of diverse ages and of both genders	Noted	N
1142	I don't think the town can put 2 winter sports clubs together in the 1 location. It won't work. The idea just does not make sense. I think the hockey club do need their turf just in a more suitable location that does not end up disrupting an existing sporting club and the open space that is enjoyed by many.	Noted	N
1143	Hockey has been neglected by council for too long. They desperately require a Hockey Turf.	Noted	N
1144	The hockey field proposal benefits a small group of mainly non residents. The environmental and well being benefits of retaining the trees and greenery is important. MS MAYOR and COUNCILLORS IF option 1 or 2 go ahead you will be voted out.	Noted	N
1145	The vic park hockey club does a fantastic job in promoting junior hockey and at a cost that is good for families. Over the past many years they have been working on a turf and the efforts should be rewarded as we are a country that is bigger than AFL	Noted	N
1146	The addition of a fenced hockey turf would forever change the community use of Higgins Park My children would lose their football club and the light and noise and amount of cars would impact the local residents in a negative way.	Noted	N
1147	The football club has no other local options and losing the oval space would severely impact the cohesion and community spirit of the club	Noted	N
1148	Higgins park Raiders football club is a vibrant and essential grass roots community service and the football oval and surrounds are valuable community access green space. These must be maintained for the service of the community.	Noted	N
1149	Option 2 does not take into account the junior football club at all. How disappointing that the council is not willing to support children's organised sport. Option 1 and 2 also have synthetic components, destroying our natural environment that is in short supply in Vic park as it is.	Noted	N

1150	keep the park the same!	Noted	N
1151	I do not support a gated sporting facility (synthetic turf) at Higgins Park. I support public access to all the recreation and sporting grounds at Higgins Park. Also would imagine the hockey turf would have lighting and be used later at night - not good for locals.	Noted	N
1152	I want to support sport in the community and make the most of the space. Sport and recreation is so important to keeping everyone healthy, active and engaged in our community.	Noted	N
1153	better for the community	Noted	N
1154	Options 1 and 2 will optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site. Not only will they bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space.	Noted	N
1156	I support native flora plantings and complete retention of all existing plantings. Strongly oppose hockey turf due to environmental issues and loss of public open space as well as associated increase in traffic from this extra activity. To cram all activities here will ultimately cause chaos !	Noted	N
1157	Option 3 retains and enhances the long established sports playing at Higgins Park	Noted	N
1158	Keep the existing football club and culture	Noted	N
1159	The turf is a must	Noted	N
1160	I am a player with the Vic Park Panthers, it would be beneficial for the hockey community to have a synthetic surf in this area, and options 1 and two do not take away from the other sporting clubs that will utilise the new development.	Noted	N
1161	I would love to see this green space stay safe and be saved.	Noted	N
1162	Please save our green space at Higgins Park!	Noted	N

1163	<p>Vic Park is a great place to live and our parks are precious green spaces amongst the bricks and concrete of city living.</p> <p>Option 3 shows less impact on this precious green space commodity.</p> <p>I would prefer to see more trees buffering Hill View Tce. and infact more trees being planted generally in our suburb to help reduce carbon footprint and support bird life...</p> <p>Also option 3 seems to have a lower rate payers cost impact so excess funds if any, could be spent on other areas within the town .</p>	Noted	N
1164	<p>Please save this green space - it is the only space where my kids really feel comfortable and i am confident for my dog to run around without harm.</p>	Noted	N
1165	<p>its not fair that a footy club should be compromised</p>	Noted	N
1166	<p>save the green space</p>	Noted	N
1167	<p>The addition of the two grass pitches would allow the Vic Park hockey club to move completely to Higgins and start an important new chapter in its history. The club would be of benefit to the local area and strongly promote a sense of community.</p>	Noted	N
1168	<p>save our green space</p>	Noted	N

1169	save the football club	Thanks for your comment. To confirm, the outcome of this masterplan will not mean the Vic Park Raiders Football Club will cease to exist. The Town has confirmed that should option 2 be selected a preferred, not further action will be taken until an alternative location can be confirmed for the club.	N
1170	I dont think that is fair for the footy club to loose their footy field.	Noted	N
1171	Please save the green space, it is not fair for the residents or teams	Noted	N
1172	the space should be saved because it is not fair for the residents or the football team.	Noted	N
1173	Both have a hockey turf	Noted	N

1174	I fail to understand why a hockey club is required when Curtin University already has a hockey stadium less than 5km up the road. I frequent this park up to 5 morning's a week and there are regular sporting groups, dog walkers, and people generally exercising around the park, so it seems selfish of the hockey club to not consider the needs of these people. Furthermore, this is the largest open green space within this area, hence why it needs to be preserved. Why does the hockey club feel that it is okay to take away home of native birds such as kookaburras which also frequent the trees each morning?	Thanks for your comment. To confirm, the decision to investigate a synthetic hockey turf at Higgins Park was made by the Town of Victoria Park, not the Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club. While options 1 and 2 do remove 2 and 3 trees respectively, they also add an additional 53 and 58 trees respectively. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N
1175	We have relocated from Redcliffe to East Vic Park in part for the Vic Park Junior Football Club. My 2 eldest kids love the existing park and the club and it's only 4 mins walking distance to our house. I love the open space. Please retain as is.	Noted	N
1176	It would be such a shame to lose the open public space of Higgins Park for a fenced off Hockey Turf, my children have played football at Higgins Park since Auskick and to weaken one sporting club to enhance another is just unjustified & unfair.	Noted	N
1177	I think we can see recently how important community bonding and health is to keep people mentally and physically healthy. The addition and maintenance of a multitude of sporting facilities supports this goal the best. I believe option 2 fits this best. Yes I am affiliated with Vic park hockey club and I only push for the turf to be built because I have been at this club since I was 4 years old (now 23) and the club is my family. I think bringing the values that Vic park hold into The Higgins park community would be invaluable.	Noted	N
1178	I support the development of a synthetic hockey turf as it will be of benefit to all clubs and help to foster and grow the game of hockey within the councils boundaries.	Noted	N
1179	I don't want an artificial hockey field	Noted	N

1181	Grown up in East Vic Park all my life. I feel it's important for free unlimited public access to This park as it has always been this way	Noted	N
1182	The amount of fenced public space should be minimised.. There are already hockey facilities at Curtin Uni and Aquinas college.. please leave grassed public open space free for everyone to enjoy...	Noted	N
1183	Shared space for everyone and save the trees	Noted	N
1184	Living next to this beautiful park and seeing the variety of residents who access the park for walks, family time and playing with their dogs it would be an enormous bias towards a relatively limited number who would benefit from options 1 and 2. There are so many sporting facilities in the immediate or adjacent areas which serve the interests of these relatively limited numbers of people as compared to the untenable impact on the local environment and enjoyment of so many others of this beautiful and much loved open space. Please put your commitment to the environment, open spaces and enjoyment for the majority of local stakeholders before further depletion of these mental health enriching spaces so close to a capital city centre. Thank you.	Noted	N
1189	If there is a hockey turf put in place, we will not have enough places to play or train as a footy club. Nearby neighbours will be disadvantaged by the noise and lights and it gives less space for the community to use in their own right.	Noted	N
1191	A better Environmentally friendly option. A more user friendly environment to allow for multiple use, including families. Better traffic flow with less congestion, especially important in a family area where there are children around.	Noted	N
1192	I believe the implementation of a fenced synthetic turf area solely for the use of a hockey club is restrictive and divisive and restricts the park area from being used by everyone.. In the current push for higher density living open green spaces are being squeezed out limiting access for everyone when we should be making them more accessible, restricting an area to a few is not in the community spirit. Also synthetic turf is not environmentally friendly and in fact has been banned by many local councils.	Noted	N
1193	Hockey has other facilities	Noted	N

1194	My family really values the open access to the green space for exercise and sport and wouldn't like to see the land carved up for only select users to access.	Noted	N
1196	We need a hockey turf that will support the growth of the club	Noted	N
1197	Options 1 and 2 are both unacceptable due to the introduction of the fenced synthetic hockey turf and the associated environmental, social, community and financial impacts of this facility.	Noted	N
1198	Option 3 is the only option that doesn't remove the Raiders from Higgins Park and still allows big, open spaces for everyone to enjoy. Not just the small amount of hockey players. It is also the cheapest option for the Town of Victoria Park.	Noted	N
1199	I have selected these options as i consider that it meets the needs of all users. (ie) Modern facilities for all to enjoy. The other factor to consider is the financial costs. The cost of constructing and maintaining new recreation facilities is a huge burden on society. Governments and councils have financial restraints. Shared facilities is considered to be better option and will provide recreational activities for all to enjoy.	Noted	N
1200	Option three is the only choice that keeps the raiders at Higgins park and everyone can enjoy the large open space instead of just hockey people on a certain area, and it's the cheapest option for the town of Victoria park	Noted	N
1201	An option that allows for football, cricket and establishes a home ground for hockey - synthetic and grass I believe would be ideal. The ability to further grow one of the largest sporting clubs in the City will enhance the community.	Noted	N
1202	Having been to this park for a number of occasions with my family especially my nephews who live a short walking distance from the park and are part of the junior footy club it would be a shame to see it change so drastically. Having fences and synthetic grass doesn't appeal to the atmosphere.	Noted	N

1203	I agree it needs an upgrade regarding the current play area, but a hockey stadium at Higgins park isn't the place considering how close it is to the residential surroundings. My question is, Why isn't an extension in the current hockey stadium at Curtin University an option?	Thanks for your comments. The hockey club do currently train and play some home games at Perth Hockey Stadium, as well as at other synthetic turfs around the Perth metro area, depending on turf availability. The Perth Hockey Stadium is a National and State centre for hockey that hosts world cups and international events. It is home to the Australian Men's (Kookaburras) and Women's (Hockeyroos) National teams and their development programs, Australian Institute of Sport and WA Institute of Sport. The Curtin University Hockey Club is also based here. The club have stated that this "means we can't even always have our home games at PHS and we have even had teams travel as far as Rockingham for home games. In fact, 60% of our teams play across the metropolitan area for both home and away games due to not having our own synthetic turf. As	N
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1204	<p>The synthetic hockey turf is too close to residential housing, and option 2 removes football from the ground. Improving play ground area, trees and access between Millen School and the grounds look great. Are you weighting the impact on the closest residences? There wouldn't be many turfs that close to houses in Perth. Even a google maps review suggests if you want another turf in the area you need to consider the Harold Rossiter Park/Kensington Bushland area. This might be unpalatable to others for various reasons, but it provides the biggest space buffer between turf and housing.</p>	<p>Thanks for your comments. Your suggestion of locating hockey at Harold Rossiter Park is appreciated, however a feasibility study was completed for this a number of years ago and deemed this location unsuitable. In response to your query regarding weighting of responses, a suburb by suburb breakdown of resposnes will be provided to Elected Members to assist in their selection of a preferred option. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.</p>	N
1205	<p>The current arrangement for both Football and Cricket is preferred whilst maintaining the open space for locals to walk dogs, exercise and utilise freely. Fencing in synthetic turf would lose this rare and much utilised space for our community</p>	Noted	N
1207	<p>Hockey has a long history in the Town Of Victoria Park. . Game that can played from age 6 to 60 that brings community together should be supported and developed. Hockey clubs need artificial surface grounds to be able to attract junior members and maintain senior membership.</p>	Noted	N
1208	<p>I believe that Raiders football club have been at higgins for a long time and should a shared space should be the outcome.</p>	Noted	N

1209	although I agree with community sport I strongly oppose the getting rid of all trees and natural grassed walking areas to be enjoyed by everyone not just sport players	Thanks for your comment. To confirm, option 1 sees 2 trees removed and 53 added, and option 2 sees 3 trees removed and 58 added. In neither option would all grassed areas be removed. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N
1210	Hockey fields can only be used for one sport whereas Higgins Park can be used for football, cricket and the general public. Also, the fencing, lights, noise and especially the synthetic turf would be a blight on the surrounding area.	Noted	N
1211	The tall fencing around the hockey field diminishes the 'open field' this area should have.. Como High school is the better location for this field.	Noted	N
1213	Former Victoria Park Hockey Club Member , Supporter and still current Sponsor. This is an Outstanding community driven Club. Strong Management team which cares about members and future of sport. Modern facilities are vital for the Clubs competitive independence to be maintained at the highest level.	Noted	N
1214	As a member of the broader hockey community in WA I am very supportive of the need for Vic Park Hockey Club to have a home that is inclusive of a synthetic turf facility. With the majority of hockey now played on turf, the ability of the club to have access to their own facility is critical to the survival of the club.	Noted	N
1215	In reference to all choices in this survey I support the concept of traffic free community spaces. I exercise in the area regularly. I am also a big believer in the value of community football for its inclusiveness, Would hate to see that compromised in Victoria Park.	Noted	N
1216	Do not like the high fencing required from the Hockey Club. Suggest to use Como High School as it is logical considering they have the Hockey specialist program.	Noted	N
1218	Access for all community members with diverse needs.	Noted	N

1219	Vic Park need this facility to compete on level terms with other clubs	Noted	N
1220	A Hockey stadium is not required at Higgins Park. The impact of this in all aspects of the community would be negative given the current long term use of the area as a football, cricket, tennis and open space area. The financial aspect could also be used in other areas of the Town	Noted	N
1221	Hockey is one of the most popular sports in WA especially in the Vic park region. The club has been trying to get a turf built for many years and has been blocked at every turn. Club fees would decrease significantly enticing people to play and bringing more player and growing the club. It would be a great win for the club.	Noted	N
1222	'The proposed development of a hockey field in this area has many drawbacks. - extra traffic along adjacent streets - parking problems - huge extent of lighting especially at night games - synthetic green which can cause environmental long term damage etc	Noted	N
1223	The amount of concrete and synthetic materials in all the options is concerning. Will Youth Zone mean more or less discarded condoms, tiny plastic bags etc? Closing Fred Bell Parade = poor access for FES, event vehicles eg Light Horse etc, potential for accidents eg parents dropping off children. Closing Playfield St = some local residents will use more fuel, less easy access to school. Why should existing users especially junior footballers and parents be so badly treated? Good luck with preventing damage to gardens on the slopes - observe damage around shopping centres. Shift brand new cricket nets??? Is the back side and lights of a hockey club structure an amenity to the people on the opposite side of Hillview Tce? New clubrooms-potential for large gatherings+alcohol=trouble. Options 1&2 destroy the feeling of a wide-open breathing-space that lovers of H Park so much enjoy.	Noted	N

1224	Not supportive of the clearing of mature trees and not supportive of turning a community site into a closed site for hockey. Also I believe the site will be too busy servicing Hockey as well as the existing Tennis, croquet, football and cricket.	Noted	N
1225	The Town of Victoria Park has identified Higgins Park as a potentially suitable location for a turf hockey field and grass grounds for the Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club which they have been seeking for some 18 years. I am strongly of the view that all local sporting clubs have a right to suitable, modern facilities within the Town of Victoria Park and with the club's continued expansion, the time is now to progress their request. However, any outcome should not be at the detriment of any other club on the Higgins Park site.	Noted	N
1226	I don't believe football should be excluded from future use of the site. I'm also concerned with the addition of a synthetic turf and also extra lighting that may affect neighbouring residents	Noted	N
1227	Synthetic turf too expensive and not accessible for all. There are two turfs in Bentley already. Keep space multi purpose is fairer for rate payers	Noted	N
1228	More sports covered	Noted	N
1229	Our club needs a synthetic turf. Option 2 means that our club doesn't have to split across two venues to train. It also ensures that there is sufficient facilities available for the other sports clubs that use Higgins Park. This option allows all sports to co-locate and maximise the utilisation of these facilities	Noted	N
1230	It would be great if all sporting clubs could be accommodated in some way. My family has been associated with the Vic Park Hockey Club for a number of years, the families we have met and the friends my children have made have been amazing. It is a very inclusive and family friendly club that is well organised and that you feel proud to be a part of. To have a "home base" would mean the world to our club so we could continue to grow and develop all the wonderful relationships within our network.	Noted	N
1232	I am concerned with environmental impact, and would like to retain limited parkland space for the community. We enjoy the way Higgins oval is currently used.	Noted	N

1233	There are adequate access options within the ToVP for synthetic hockey turfs without having to destroy beautiful trees and the lovely open space of Higgins Park and Playfield Reserve. The family orientated area is utilized by the local community both with junior sport and recreational pursuits therefore enhancing the ToVP green public open space. The extra noise, bright lights and extra traffic of housing day and night games would not be at all conducive to the peaceful community environment which would exist with option 3.	Noted	N
1234	Protect our green space that is diminishing within the community....	Noted	N
1235	I do not want the increase in street parking and traffic from hockey. It is bad enough with the school and football during the week. I have trouble getting in and out of my driveway mornings and afternoon. The synthetic hockey field is ugly and will detract from the Park like atmosphere which is when I use it. Also do not close off streets and increase traffic at the same time. It will feel like a giant car park in my neighbourhood.	Noted	N
1236	To retain the community spirit, strength and integrity of a strong sport interest for young and youth football players. To have the experience on a natural setting, real grass, that may lead to higher levels of sport as these youth mature. Having one park and sporting complex as a base gives strength in identification and recognition as a club and community. Making an area too diverse is not necessarily sensible or successful as it creates lack of stewardship, weakens long standing traditions, weakens the personality of the area and importantly would weaken the existing and highly cherished football club that has flourished at Higgins Park for many years.	Noted	N
1237	We enjoy the park the way it is, fencing some of the park off with synthetic grass will not only make that area extremely hot, but also limits its use to the community	Noted	N
1239	Fencing for hockey ugly, also creating eyesore barriers; less people play hockey; synthetic turf only used for hockey but large footy oval bigger & diverse user groups; Curtin hockey venue close by, Como SHS hockey specialist so build closer there..	Noted	N
1240	I have grown up in Vic park and Higgins has always been a great place for walking your dog and playing games freely in a large area that can be shared by many. Most importantly though it's been the home of the Raiders football club. My brother, my boyfriend and many of my friends have played football there and it's just an integral part of Vic park history and brings everyone in the community together.	Noted	N

1241	I strongly oppose the incorporation of hockey pitches and synthetic turf in Options 1 and 2. I highly value open green space and would be very disappointed to see this limited by the first two options.	Noted	N
1242	Kids are our future and need that space for engagement and a positive lifestyle as well as a sense of belonging to a community	Noted	N
1243	I have been a taxpayer from the suburbs of Victoria Park, and East Victoria Park over the last 25 years. I am entirely disappointed with Council for vigorously trying to implement a hockey pitch at Higgins Park, and impact the Raiders football club's ability to fulfill commitments for football. A hockey turf is simply not needed - an ugly site of infrastructure when Curtin hockey is available and under-utilised. Why make a massive carbon footprint on a highly residential suburb in East Victoria Park? I simply don't understand why the Council would activity pursue the development of a hockey pitch, when the hockey pitch users have an excellent alternative at Curtin at least. T	Noted	N
1244	Council has wasted taxpayers money trying to push out an historic football club and open fields, for a comparatively small bit hockey club. There is no room for the hockey club and an absolute waste of my money to build it. The hockey club can stay as it is and no erode an historic part of the town. A decision to push out the biggest footy club in the district would be an absolute disaster for the Shire and the Council deemed incompetent to fail to understand virtues of the town.	Noted	N
1245	Adding a hockey oval will seriously change the feel of Higgins Park. I think mainly in a negative view. Only those interested in Hockey gain from the synthetic grass whereas every other party loses. Whether thats a casual walk with a dog, football players or even cricket players. A fenced in oval restricts movement and freedom especially as it sounds like it wont be able to be used by anyone other than sports club. The vast majority of surrounding suburbs will lose public space based on the proposal.	Thank you for your comment. Other community groups, schools or clubs will be able to book, pay and utilise the synthetic hockey turf, similar to how many of the Town's parks can currently be booked. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N

1248	<p>I am a long term resident of Vic Park who hopes to remain here. One of the things that attracted me to this area initially is its relaxed, open feel.</p> <p>I am not a player of any sport nor do I live particularly close to this site. But I very strongly believe in the importance of retaining green space within the Town's boundaries.</p> <p>Green space is essential for well being and mental health. Retaining green space will be even more important as population density increases in this area.</p> <p>Once green space is lost, it is gone forever. It seems highly unlikely that any space lost at this site would be replaced elsewhere within the Town.</p> <p>I note documents recently released by the Town itself in relation to the MacMillan precinct refer to the desirability of preserving the limited green space within the Town's boundaries. I wholeheartedly agree and would argue that green space within the Town is precious wherever it may be, and deserves equal levels of protection.</p> <p>A fenced synthetic hockey turf is not green space. It will be hotter than grass in a drying climate and will not be accessible to the wider community.</p> <p>In principle, I also strongly object to what is effectively the privatisation of public space. This is a site that belongs to all residents, not a select group whose occupation will effectively eliminate other uses of the site.</p> <p>I am genuinely mystified as to why this issue keeps coming up. Judging by the public response to other proposals by the Town in recent years, it must be clear by now that destruction of green space is not popular with residents.</p> <p>For my own part, I would welcome a move by the Town to endorse preservation of green space as a non-negotiable component of any planning activity – it would save me a lot of time in having to respond to every new proposal the Town comes up with to reduce green space within its boundaries.</p>	Noted	N
1249	<p>The football club would be disadvantaged with options 1 and 2 - that doesn't seem fair. And option 3 would allow more space for dog walking and off lead exercise.</p>	Noted	N
1250	<p>I am implacably opposed to a synthetic turf hockey field, primarily because I believe it imposes a large financial burden on the Town of Victoria Park. I do not accept the conclusions of the feasibility report that was commissioned by the Town of Victoria Park as it made conclusions unsupported by the evidence presented and in addition presented opinion as evidence.</p>	Noted	N

1251	<p>I really dislike the hockey field proposal. It appears redundant considering that the WA Hockey Centre is so close and would better service hockey players anyway. Also I dislike the reduction in grassed areas that are multi use for a specialised field.</p>	Noted	N
1252	<p>The Hockey club needs a turf, these are the only two options that have one. Honestly, the best choice would be to put the hockey club at Harold Rossiter Park. Having lived in Melbourne in the 1990's when there was an explosion of clubs building turf grounds, it is really important that a club get a turf of its own with a club room attached. The clubs that didn't or couldn't build suffered from loss of members and loss of income. Not having the home for the team at the ground means that people play a game and leave, they don't hang around the club and form that community spirit. As more clubs build synthetic turfs, more games will be fixtured on turf, this means the grass hockey will slowly end, in Melbourne the last grass hockey game was played in 1995. this will happen in Perth. As a member of Curtin University HC i see it happening, yes we have access to a turf, however there is no clubroom to go with it, and it is a massive difficulty getting people in the club together. It is the biggest problem the club faces.</p> <p>Ideally a site is needed that can allow a synthetic turf , space for 2 or more grass grounds (one that can be converted into a second turf in the future) and a clubroom. This is Harold Rossiter Park...</p> <p>The availability of the grass grounds is important for junior development and carnivals which build the club and provide income. (Have you been to Fletcher park on a saturday morning?)</p> <p>As a resident of Etwell St I honestly think only users of the park and adjacent residents should get an opinion, people walking the streets to bolster negative comments against any sort of change or progress should be ignored. I think that the Council should plan for the overall good of the people. Not just for who shouts loudest.</p> <p>Good Luck</p>	<p>Thanks for your comments. Your suggestion of locating hockey at Harold Rossiter Park is appreciated, however a feasibility study was completed for this a number of years ago and deemed this location unsuitable. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.</p>	N

1253	it is critical that public green open space is retained ,mature trees and birdlives are retained. The proposed restricted fenced synthetic hockey turf facility will cost millions of dollars to the tax payer. The independent report do not support the need for a synthetic turf and viable business case is not supported.	Noted	N
1254	Only options 1 & 2 introduce a new sport, hockey, and maximize utilisation of the space and provide value for money. Option 3, Football only, is not value for money.	Noted	N
1255	<p>We have a hockey stadium 5-minute drive from Higgins Park. Higgins Park needs to be open and unfenced. Currently, it is a place to breathe with old trees and hear the sounds of children playing. This is used by old, young for informal and formal games. Currently, the space is open and gives the perception of freedom, inclusivity and good for our mental health.</p> <p>Sporting activities are for those who can afford to play. Whereas when the cricketers and footballers go home. many people can play for free: kite flying, walking dogs enjoying, family time. Many of the houses in the areas are being rebuilt with very little front and backyard space and have to come to a park. Keep Higgins Park as for crickets, tennis and football, free music festivals and events for generations and the general community to be safe and friendly. Football and Cricket fans sit under the trees and watch. Don't remove the trees. A gate or fence means restriction you are not welcome. Build a hockey stadium where there are no hockey stadiums. nearby Renovate existing structures. The nearby leisure centres in Cannington and Riverton are full of sporting activities, people come and go and do not celebrate together and no one talks to each other, people come and go and the crowding does not lend itself to mental wellness and community building. Option 3.</p>	Noted	N
1256	Access to Hockey turfs in WA is far more limited than in the eastern states and so put scheduling pressure on clubs and on the limited numbers of turfs that exist. Access to turf space for playing and training is in very high demand in the community	Noted	N

1257	I believe this should be an open space for all of the community to access. A fenced hockey turf is not part of a community space. Curtin university has a hockey turf and I don't believe the sport is that common in our community. I would much rather a soccer or football space where children can gather/ play/ and the space can be accessed by all. I feel it is very important to update this space as it is used by the community and it's very outdated at the moment. However updating the space so it is only useful to part of the hokey community is an outrage!	Noted	N
1258	A fenced area is in opposition to having a community space that can be shared. Also, the synthetic area will be only be used and appreciated by hockey players which is a miniscule proportion of the community. It will also be hotter in summer and more expensive to maintain.	Noted	N
1259	Strongly support option 1 as it maximises the opportunity for the widest variety of uses for different types of sport. I would prefer to see a grassed hockey field accessible to everyone rather than a fenced synthetic field which limits access/use by all community members. There are plenty of synthetic fields available at Curtin University. Strongly oppose option 2 as it minimises the range of different sport types with too much of a hockey focus, which seems illogical given the amount of hockey fields available walking distance away at Curtin University. Note that I play hockey myself & am not a personal fan of AFL, but it strikes me that this option excludes use for AFL and I can't think of other community use AFL options within close proximity in Town of VP so see this option of lacking inclusiveness. Strongly oppose option 3 as it completely excludes hockey (a sport which has almost equal male & female participation), and focuses primarily on cricket & AFL which are both male dominated sports. This option lacks inclusiveness based on gender and sporting options.	Noted. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N
1260	Preference for a purpose built hockey facility to encourage the continued exposure of this sport	Noted	N
1262	The ToVP should not be involved in allowing a third party to come onto this space and minimise our public open space. The thought of the traffic and alternative sporting venues would bring is most not in keeping with our area. Removing trees for a synthetic coverage, which needs to have water to cool it before playing is ridiculous. There are plenty of alternative facilities, very close by.	Noted	N
1263	Hockey!	Noted	N

1264	Hockey is a developing sport with minimal injuries in comparison to afl that is more inclusive	Noted	N
1265	With Option 3 completely removing Hockey from the area I believe this will be to the disadvantage of the community as there is a large hockey community that provides financial benefit to the area. The hockey clubs will move to other towns where this sport is supported if option 3 goes ahead.	Noted	N
1266	I'm a big supporter of sport in the wider community so option 1 is optimal. Option 2 holds my seconds bias as i'm a life time hockey athlete and wish the sport to continue to grow in W.A. as when the hockey community has greater access to resources like a artificial turf it means the skill and community raises with it. Option three is limiting like option two however I have no pre-bias to football so i am not supporting option two.	Noted	N
1267	We have lived in St James for over 30 years. Both our children attended Millen Primary School and our family was very much hands-on throughout their primary school years. Our children played sports on most weekends at Higgins Park, so we have many memories of this great place. Even though our kids are older now, we still spend lots of time at Higgins Park walking our dogs together and reminiscing about the great fun sporting days we shared with so many other families. We formed many great friendships from Higgins Park, and we still continue to associate with everyone from this time in our lives. I urge you to not take this wonderful sporting ground and recreation space away from families in this area. It is a precious place that everyone in this community enjoys, and will for many years to come. Please leave it as it is.	Noted	N
1272	Provides for all sports where option 3 does not .	Noted	N
1275	Use the hockey fields at Curtin. Please don't interfere with the grass and trees. This is not a good use of ratepayers money	Noted	N

1276	I'd like to continue to enjoy the full Higgins park space as open space. I don't want the local footy club to lose its home!	Noted	N
1277	I have lived in St James and my family and I have utilised Higgins Park as a fully open space for recreational activities for over 20 years and would like to continue using it as it is now. Also I would not like to see the local footy club lose its home.	Noted	N
1278	Options 1 and 2 provide the most diverse outcomes for the local community. With the inclusion of the hockey pitches there will be year round sport and at evenings making the area safer for all due to the increased lighting and movements.	Noted	N
1279	Hockey is a key sport in Western Australia and unlike football provides a non-contact sporting pursuit . Growing evidence globally suggests that non-contact sports will be the preferred option of the community in the decades ahead. Given the foresight of this plan and its capacity to shape generations to come I strongly support hockey being the key feature of this area.	Noted	N
1281	Hockey is a great community sport and needs to be supported in its development in WA	Noted	N
1282	As a hockey player, I would like to see more turf facilities in the Perth Metropolitan area and thoroughly support Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club's bid for a turf facility.	Noted	N
1283	Hockey competitions are increasingly becoming Turf focused, and without access to a home turf, hockey clubs are losing junior players to those clubs which can provide turf access for all training and games. Loss of junior players quickly depletes the club and over time, will force the closure of the club without a strong junior support base.	Noted	N
1285	Open space grass is to be cherished. I strongly support keeping as much grass as possible	Noted	N
1286	No need for synthetic hockey courts etc ... just update this beautiful park for all to enjoy & save the trees !	Noted	N
1288	There is a real need to develop hockey in the area. This could assist in creating a south of the river hub for the sport. It is critical to future development of the sport and will maintain WA as the stronghold of hockey in Australia	Noted	N

1291	Do not believe an extra \$5 million for hockey turf is justified as it is going to compromise the open space and other sports that can coexist.	Noted	N
1293	Must involve hockey	Noted	N
1294	The combination of a synthetic hockey turf and a football field will benefit many community members	Noted	N
1295	Because I don't want any hockey on our football ground, and also it benefits the people around the park as the lights for the hockey pitches stay on late at night so light will shine in to people's houses.	Noted	N
1296	Options 1&2 will destroy the beautiful open space and many of the old trees. It's simply not needed and a waste of money	Noted	N
1297	Very concerned about the loss of space for a hockey pitch which will only benefit a very tiny proportion of the community, when a hockey club already exists at Curtin University and provides ample space. The park should exist for generalist purposes, and hockey does not suit the majority of the community. It should not be for the benefit of small (yet disconcertingly powerful) minority, probably <1% of all residents.	Noted	N
1298	I would love for there to be more synthetic hockey turfs in Perth, creates the opportunity to further the sport	Noted	N
1300	It is important to support sorts other than football. To make it viable it needs to be a synthetic turf supported by grass turfs.	Noted	N
1301	Fenced synthetic turf areas are hot unusable areas to the general public, we'll loose a large portion of what is now a beautiful open space that can be enjoyed by all. By all means extend the play & public space areas but don't limit other areas of the park with fences.	Noted	N
1303	As a junior player in 9/10's with VPXHC, to be able to continue within our competition and to develop as players, we need to be able to play and train on a turf ground.	Noted	N

1304	I am a vic park local and used to play hockey. I would like to get back into it but I haven't BECAUSE there is no local synthetic turf currently. I would like to be able to join a local sporting team, get into a sport I enjoy in the local community and be able to play close to my home and kids school. I also walk my dogs around Higgins so support keeping as many trees and planting more during the development of the park	Noted	N
1305	my hockey club needs a hockey turf to further develop our players and enhance our skills. to have a home turf of our own will also allow us to develop our culture	Noted	N
1306	Football has so many opportunities with ovals and fields yet hockey barely has any opportunities with playing grounds it would be a great chance for vic park to expand if we get our own turf.	Noted	N
1307	We don't need any more fenced turfs that cannot be used by the public. Plus hockey turf is an expensive ongoing cost	Noted	N
1308	Maintaining is an on going cost. Not everyone plays hockey, the field is only used for 1 purpose only whereas an oval has many utilisations, not only sport but a place where people can walk their dog, sit and enjoy the sun or have children's birthdays. The Curtin hockey stadium is within 5 minutes from Higgins Park and should be used instead of building a new turf.	Noted	N
1309	Great place for hockey turf	Noted	N
1310	A great place for a hockey club and turf facility. Great playground for children. Much better use of the open space.	Noted	N
1312	The wisdom to have quality sporting options in the community is crucial. Hockey is a major component in the Australian Olympic movement but more importantly, the sport's internal opportunity and organisational is outstanding. The hockey pitch size makes the facility an ideal destining nation for appropriately significant community events given the nature of the surface and potential lighting arrangements.	Noted	N
1313	For community unity and sport involvement in such a sport orientated environment inviting hockey to Higgins park would be a great investment. Having a synthetic turf would invite a new crowd to the ground as well as promoting junior and senior sport.	Noted	N

1314	I am a junior at Vic Park panthers Hockey Club. I think having a large playground is good. I would like to play on turf more but I have only had one turf training session this year. I think our club needs its own turf ground.	Noted	N
1315	I am concerned that locals would have limited access to this area and parkland would be impacted. In a fairly high density city, shared spaces are more important as there are less available to share. I don't see anything for local kids in this plan	Thanks for your comment. All options of the masterplan include significantly improved play facilities, including a formalised playground, nature play area, 'youth zone' in the current location of the Tennis Club building and fitness equipment.	N
1316	Public access rights; retaining limited parkland space for community health and wellbeing; residential impact; environmental impact; ToVP financial responsibility.	Noted	N
1317	The great advantage of Higgins Park etc. at present is the large open space available for a wide variety of users, including the general public (dog walkers, exercisers etc.). I don't have preference for, or care about, any of the various sports vying for the space, and consider it most critical that the large open space is retained for those who live in the area. A large open space will mean more of the sporting groups can be accommodated with minimal disruption to others, which is preferable in any case. As a result, my opinion is that the inclusion of a walled synthetic turf hockey area is too disruptive to the open space, and cannot be supported. The other proposed improvements - nature trails, playgrounds, additional parking, native plantings, art and cultural installments - are very much welcome, in whichever configuration seems most efficient and of greatest benefit to the most people. Greater integration between Higgins Park and Playfield Reserve is also a great idea and likely to enhance the space's utility. Thanks for the opportunity to comment on these proposals.	Noted	N
1318	The Vic Park Panthers have been trying to develop a synthetic turf in the Town of Vic Park for a long time now. Opposition by dog walkers and other sporting codes always seem to win out. The Council needs to find a way to make this possible and these options seem like sound propositiona.	Noted	N

1319	Option 1 & 2 are in line with Town's aim to provide all community with usable shared use space. They are inclusive of all sporting and passive users, optimising all clubs and the community getting the modern and adequate facilities they need within the town. Hockey facilities will activate the site and increase lighting and community safety. The exclusion of Hockey from this master plan, resulting in no adequate modern turf facilities and club rooms will see a proportion of the towns community having to travel out to source hockey, kids not participating and may result in club demise. This should not be acceptable as there is a need for diverse access to sport and recreational facilities within each town.	Noted	N
1320	My sons play with the Vic Park Raiders team and the oval is split into 3 x games. Any inclusion of a hockey field takes away that valuable space and is a waste of rate payers money particularly when the State Hockey Centre is at Curtin University. As a ratepayer please spend my money wisely.	Noted	N
1322	Option 3 is the lowest cost and therefore most financially responsible in the present economic circumstances. It also avoids the loss of open playing fields to a fenced-in hockey-only area and limits the loss of space to increased parking.	Noted	N
1324	Option 1 provides a much needed facility for hockey whilst also catering for football and cricket.	Noted	N
1326	I regularly use this park to walk my dog while my kids are doing after school activities at Millen Primary School. From the conversations I have struck up with complete strangers using the park and fellow School parents, it is clear that the established football club enjoys a tremendous amount of support and Option 3 also allows for a broader range of sporting activities which would seem to be a better fit within the local community. It is also clear (when we were still recently living in the area) that community events held in the past on the oval have been successful due to the strong support shown by the local population. I feel Options 1 & 2 would have a detrimental impact on any such events in the future due to the loss of space these options require to accommodate the hockey field.	Noted	N
1327	There's a big need for hockey turf.	Noted	N
1328	Parkland space for community health and wellbeing is more important (dog walking, fitness groups, running) and for junior and senior football opportunities to continue.	Noted	N

1329	Don't feel it is the right area for a hockey turf.	Noted	N
1330	I think the local grass roots sporting club of hockey should be supported as turf based facilities are crucial for their long term survival and viability.	Noted	N
1331	I think that the development of hockey facilities in the city is very important.	Noted	N
1332	options 1 and 2 provide for a more diverse sporting opportunities (a hub if you like of hockey, football, cricket, tennis and croquet) to operate in harmony and the possibility of sharing facilities maximising useage and reducing cost for all concerned (ie cricket/tennis/Croquet/Hockey - summer) and/or Football/Hockey/Tennis/Croquet - Winter).	Noted	N

1333	<p>Option 1 - where's the junior footy? And surely fitting just one field does not meet the Xavier's request for 3 co-located fields?</p> <p>Option 2 - where's the footy? It disappears totally in this option. how is that even an option ???</p> <p>Option 3 - most flexible shared use of the open space. And looks more financially and environmentally responsible.</p> <p>The very notion of a fenced area that is only used by a small proportion of the community does not sit well with me. Will it be locked? I agree it would need to be fenced for safety, but other groups should be free to use it when hockey is not playing or training. Especially other groups who pay their rates or pay a fee to use public spaces. And to note that the MasterPlan "Theme: A Place for All", is negated if you lock some of it off for use by a few.</p> <p>But let's face it - synthetic turf is nasty. It is hot, not environmentally friendly to produce and install, it still requires a huge amount of water and ongoing maintenance and regular replacement - sending a huge volume to landfill-->basically negating all the extra trees planted and making a mockery of OUR council's attempts for green credentials.</p> <p>Any plantings to replace lost trees would take ages to replace the shade currently provided by the mature trees on Hill View Tce side. Note -it would be great to have a continuous canopy along that side - ie hop into some plantings now, don't wait.</p> <p>I like the idea of making better use of the embankment near Fred Bell - those ideas look great. Combination of exercise stairs and ramps would be awesome.</p> <p>On the "Opportunities Plan" on page 7 of the draft masterplan - Item 13 Potential for multiple activity nodes - Some Fitness Elements exercise equipment would be a great addition to these areas.</p>	<p>Thank you for your comments. Option 1 provides the Vic Park Raiders Junior Football Club with one full size senior football oval and the Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club with one synthetic turf, as a shared configuration. The Hockey Club have confirmed this is not their preferred option, but is still supported. The Football Club have confirmed they do not support this option. Option 2 came to be through the addition to the scope by Council in the November 2019 Ordinary Council Meeting. In response to your question about access, there will be restricted access to a synthetic hockey turf, however the community and groups will be able to book, pay and utilise the turf, similarly to how parks and open spaces can be booked currently. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.</p>	N
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1334	A synthetic hockey turf at higgins park will have unreasonable impacts on the local community and residents including noise, traffic and lights. Taking away public open space and locking it behind a fence for used by a small sporting group is completely unreasonable. Relocation of a local football club for the hockey club when there is no known alternative location for them is also unreasonable.	Noted	N
1335	It would be good to see a hockey turf facility here but I don't want to see football pushed out completely.	Noted	N
1336	Hockey is a sport that nearly every child at school does not care about. It is a sport that is dying out. Creating a space with synthetic turf is a waste of space and is targeted at a very small amount of people who are interested in hockey. Synthetic turf is also not an area that could be used by others outside of training/game times to do things like walk the dog etc and for kids to run around on. This area should be developed to maximise on trend sports that most kids play, which is football, cricket, and soccer.	Noted	N
1338	As a matter of necessity with anticipated and existing public open space shortfalls, co-locations will be the only way forward when it comes to community sports and public open space. I am uncomfortable with a Masterplanning focus exclusively on one user group —ie “complete” single sporting code focus. Equity of resources and multi-access also guides my consideration. If there is insufficient space for accommodating another sporting code while still accommodating general community uses such as community park play and dog walking, I'd prefer to leave the sports spaces the way and size they currently are and not commit more public ratepayer funds to further developing sports in this space at all. Concerns regarding parking shortfall due to increased sporting activity, passive use of space, dog walking, and loss of residential amenity are likely similar with the growth of any sporting use or organised club. Perhaps, less active sporting use could accommodate the growth of the passive green space, community/play amenity not associated with organised sporting clubs, opportunity for increase of tree canopy and the addition of public art in this area of our Town.	Noted	N

1339	I am not involved in any organised sport at Higgins Park, however my choice of property to buy was influenced by being able to use the space as community open space and I use regularly to exercise myself and my dog. It is unfair to make major disruptions to clubs which currently use the space. I would think football and cricket have a bigger membership using the area as opposed to hockey. A fenced off synthetic hockey pitch reduces community space. A synthetic hockey pitch with lighting and evening games would be disruptive to me as a resident in close proximity to the pitch - I have had experience of this having lived in Doubleview near the Hale Hockey pitch. You would also need more parking for the users.	Noted	N
1340	No hockey at higgins park due to the impact on residents and current user groups.	Noted	N
1341	Love open space that can be used for the public and sporting clubs simultaneously.	Noted	N
1342	It allows everyone of all sports and ages to be able to participate in those activities with the best use of the available space.	Noted	N
1343	Love open green space that community and sporting clubs can share in inner city. Too close to house for the loud hockey noise	Noted	N
1344	The current configuration of the oval does not just facilitate football and cricket, but it also facilitates use by people for general recreation and fitness, organized fitness classes, dog walkers and other users to all share and co-exist on the park comfortably at the same time as organized sport. The inclusion of a synthetic turf pitch exclusively for hockey will significantly impact this shared use space and quarantine a large area of green turf for a single purpose for a limited time of year. It is untenable to ask the many rate payers to compromise their use of the beloved park and space for the a limited few. The green space should be retained for all to enjoy, including the trees, and the park should be left predominantly as it is. There is limited spaces like Higgins Park to enjoy in the St James and the park is a very strong reason why I and my partner live in the area. I strongly urge the Council to find an alternative location away from Higgins Park for the Hockey Team. Especially so given they do have access to state of the art facilities next to Curtin University.	Noted	N
1346	Love open green space love to walk dogs there	Noted	N

1347	Love open space and walking dog and watching footie	Noted	N
1348	Love walking the dog at Higgins when I visit my family in Perth and watching the kids play footie	Noted	N
1350	Why when the hockey field was rejected at Kent Street, does my local park now have to fight for it not to come? Let the hockey club upgrade where they currently are, not ruin my beautiful and well-used local. I am absolutely for activation of the space and making it more community friendly. I really like the idea of a large nature park and activation of the embankment space near the RSL but I am STRONGLY AGAINST the inclusion of a new hockey field at Higgins Park. I use this park daily and enjoy the open space it provides as my family and I run on the grass every day with our dog. It is already busy with people exercising, walking and playing sport - and that's the sport not associated to any club. I do not want to see the grass space reduced at all, especially not to a large, fenced off synthetic field and light towers. That would be a poor aesthetic outcome! I also strongly oppose the removal of ANY mature trees. I know there would be a replanting ratio in place by ToVP, but young saplings do not replace the established trees already there. Please, please do the right thing by your ratepayers who live in the immediate area, the locals who love and using this park, and do not construct a hockey field. I live two streets away and feel passionately about my area and community. Also please include dog water bowls in any changes as my Labrador uses them every walk. Thanks for the opportunity to provide feedback. Sophie	Noted	N
1352	Good mix for all sports.	Noted	N

1354	<p>Being older I don't partake in the proposed sports fields and would love you to add a couple of "petanque" (Google it) areas which would attract people of all ages at anytime of the day or evening...a good social low key sport for all ages. I do however strongly support improving these areas and providing sporting and play activities for younger people, to keep them off the streets...we see enough of them around our area where allowing the Cloud 9 shop in Etwell street is one of the worst mistake a Council could make.</p> <p>Please, please do not reduce the number of trees, but rather increase the number. Also only one artificial turf field as grass is much cooler...having been a hockey player myself, I do believe grass is better for the kids.</p> <p>Keep up the good work, Alain</p>	<p>Noted. The 'youth zone' area in all masterplan options will provide greater areas for these kinds of informal sporting activities to take place. All masterplan options also increase the number of trees in the area. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.</p>	N
1355	<p>Don't want a gated sporting facility at Higgins Park. Want the playing fields to be open to the public.</p>	Noted	N
1357	<p>The green open space is much more inviting to the majority of our community</p>	Noted	N
1358	<p>I am a resident/property owner and therefore rate payer in the town for 22 years.</p> <p>My children have grown up in the area and played at Victoria Park Raiders JFC. in the past. I was involved with the club and WAFL club Perth and Demons it's Talent Pathway programs.</p> <p>It's my understanding that Victoria Park Raiders JFC will be a risk and many young players lost to the game if the club doesn't have access to Higgins Park in its current format.</p> <p>This exercise to change the use of Higgins Park appears to be considered by the council without understanding of the needs of residents. Can someone explain the logic to me please?</p> <p>Thanks Damian</p>	Noted	N

1359	Do not agree with or support fenced synthetic hockey turf due to displacement of an existing sports club where no alternative has been found, financial costs and unjustified expense of the hockey turf, loss of mature trees and bird habitat, non-sustainability and urban heat effects of turf materials, loss of public use of area that becomes locked up for exclusive use by the hockey club, light overspill, noise issues, parking issues, loss of adjacent property values, no justification or need for additional synthetic turf in our area, no business case for synthetic turf facility, impacts on community health and wellbeing due to loss of large open spaces (which are under-represented in the ToVP).	Noted	N
1361	The proposal for a synthetic hock turf is sensible and well considered and will have minimal impact on the surrounding environment. The proposal is an efficient use of an existing asset that is under developed. The proposal has great social economic benefits benefits, which is particularly important post the Covid1-19 world. People need gathering places to connect and this proposal will do that.	Noted	N
1362	Hockey is a sport that people of all ages particiapte in. It has a very inclusive culture, and inner city areas really need more hockey turfs. The curtin uni turfs aren't really accessible on a regular basis for grass roots clubs. I don't have any strong connections with the Vic Park Panthers however I've been horrified by the misinformation being promoted by certain community members around the impact of lighting and noise on the surrounding community, which is absoloute nonsense. Also, the amount of water used on a hockey turf is far less to that used to maintain a footy oval. Ideally, it would be great if the two clubs could share this space. There would be huge opportunity for the town to generate income from the turf also, as there would be other clubs who would pay to use it witout doubt.	Noted	N
1363	The strong emphasis on football already associated with this location Close proximity of hockey fields at Curtin University	Noted	N
1364	Hockey fields need to be included	Noted	N
1365	VIC Park Xavier hockey club has been a strong part of the community for the last 60 years. It is an honest, well run club that has produced numerous Olympians and has one of the largest club membership in the town. An artificial surface would provide the club with a foundation that will help it endure well into the 21st century. As a club we have been searching for a home for the last 18 years. To me this site is an ideal place for that home.	Noted	N

1366	The more sports that can be supported at this location the better. Hockey turfs are in short supply in the Town.	Noted	N
1367	Adding closed single use hockey fields would be a terrible outcome for locals who enjoy the open access to the park.	Noted	N
1369	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space). • Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. (A modern turf field AS WELL as grass (for football or hockey) maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a modern sport facility) • Enhance and provide passive recreation amenity to the local community. A synthetic turf field will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use. • Make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park). It would be not a responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces if it does not maximise usage. • Hockey will activate the site and increase lighting and community safety. 	Noted	N
1370	Fencing off the area is the worst possible outcome. So many more people use the whole area on a daily basis all year around for activities that would be restricted significantly by a hockey pitch (e.g. exercising, exercising dogs, play ball sports, play with kites and more). Sacrificing part of the park for a hockey pitch that would be used only half the year and then only in evenings or on the weekend rather sporadically places the majority of people enjoying the park in its current state at a disadvantage	Noted	N
1371	Less structure, more nature	Noted	N
1373	I love hockey, cricket and football and believe all should have a space	Noted	N

1375	<p>While I support the hockey club and respect they would like a home. They should be down at Harold Rossiter using the old sand pit site. Its vacant space, that does nothing unless they are absolutely happy with the allocated space here. Traffic calming devices should NOT be installed on Hill view terrace. Its a major thoroughfare carrying 10k cars per day. You need to understand the required parking for the usage proposals here. If your interested in doing a public wifi system down there or at Fraser park get in touch.</p>	<p>Noted. No current traffic calming measures are proposed within the masterplan options. Parking usage has been investigation, and will be explored in more detail in the next stages. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.</p>	N
1376	<p>Diversification of sport options for children, families and elderly. AFL is good but do not play up to the ages of 65+ and many parents are looking for the less contact option Hockey provides. Community standards are way higher at hockey matches from parents compared to AFL. I have been to both and challenge you to do the same and then decide what is more favourable.</p>	Noted	N
1377	<p>Strongly support the intergration of playgrounds and hockey into our local community.</p>	Noted	N
1378	<p>I feel that the natural green space should be retained as much as possible. I love the idea of a destination nature playground for families and children to enjoy nature/ green space which is already very low in the town of Victoria Park, particularly St James.</p> <p>I strongly oppose the idea of a fenced hockey oval as it would destroy the landscape and reduce the green space we use to walk dogs, complete fitness activities, and play with our children. There are plenty of hockey fields at Curtin and this addition is unnecessary.</p> <p>I can hear the sport and whistles in my backyard and would prefer it to stay at the current capacity. This is a relaxed suburban location! There is already so much space for organised sport, but not enough for unplanned activities which could be enhanced by the proposed play areas, BBQs and green space.</p>	Noted	N
1379	<p>Another football only area needs not occur. Further, while football engagement with females is on the up, it is a male dominated sport. It's important to similarly promote sports which are not gender dominated. ,</p>	Noted	N

1380	The only option that adds value to the community is the Hockey turf options. Hockey clubs bring an enormous amount of exposure to the Higgins Park precinct and will bring a large portion of high socioeconomic individuals investing in the community. This will transform the Higgins Park precinct into a local hub.	Noted	N
1381	Option 1 & 2 promote inclusivity and lead to more diverse options for children (and adults) to explore their sporting interests. Option 3 is stereotypically limiting.	Noted	N
1383	open and available access to natural green spaces is limited in the inner suburbs already - any space taken from this area and transformed into synthetic closed spaces detracts from the use of this for the local community. Especially being in such close proximity to the synthetic turfs at Curtin.	Noted	N
1384	It's the best option/s for the community, sporting clubs and the future. It's important for the community and surrounding communities to promote health and wellbeing and these facilities available.	Noted	N
1385	I'm a strong supporter of field hockey, given that football is already big in Australia with plenty of support and funding. Sports such as hockey require all the support they can get. With a push in recent years to move away from contact sports, with the increasing evidence of the impact that injuries such as concussions, have on the body long term. This is more support in favour of non contact sports like hockey and a way to help future proof your facilities. The benefit of having a synthetic turf is the reduced water usage and maintenance. These turfs don't require water until being played on with some synthetic turfs like the field at Aquinas college not requiring water at all. Saving significant amounts of water that can be distributed to residents for their usage. The benefit of synthetic turfs is that no grass has to be mowed. Synthetic turfs can be used for other sports then just hockey with many hockey turfs in summertime repurposing the turfs for social soccer.	Noted	N
1386	My children and I play with Melville Hockey Club and regularly play against Vic Park Xavier Hockey Club and these options would be fantastic for hockey and sport in general in the local area and help build the sports clubs in the area	Noted	N

1388	gives opportunities for 4 sports to grow and develop. Giving community members variety and exposure to different sports. Allowing sports to have specific allocated fields tht can be used all year round not just within the sports main "season " Hockey turf - summer season and preseason during the off winter season Cricket - dog walking and general exercise areas during winter AFL - dog walking and general exercise areas during the summer when cricket is on	Noted	N
1389	as a hockey player the obvious need for more turf hockey fields in Perth is vitally important to maintain the growth of hockey and keep WA as the powerhouse of Australian hockey. VPX are a very big part of the Australian hockey community and a turf would help solidify their position.	Noted	N
1390	I support a hockey turf being laid to support the development of hockey in the community and higher levels	Noted	N
1391	Hockey and sport in general has been a massive part of my life and out door activities should be encouraged where ever possible.	Noted	N
1392	The hockey turf will be a huge asset to the hockey community as a whole. So many different teams will use the venue and it would be short sighted to prioritise the football. There is a plethora of fields all around for football that are all largely the same. There is an immense performance difference between a turf and grass field for hockey.	Noted	N
1393	Maintaining green space is so important. Any ovals where children can play and dogs can walk shouldn't be destroyed for artificial turfs that restrict use. As a hockey player myself I am all for growing the sport but this is not a viable option and will have a massive impact on the community that live in the surrounding streets. If I lived near the park I would definitely sell my home if a hockey turf was to be built in such close proximity.	Noted	N
1394	Multi sports, not just one sport ie .football	Noted	N
1396	Believe 2 grass hockey fields and an artificial hockey turf will be adding to Vic Parks ongoing needs of hockey club and recreation facilities for shire use	Noted	N
1397	I feel that a synthetic hockey turf would benefit the entire community by creating local interest in a new project and possible new members to the club.	Noted	N

1399	better to have area available to many sports hockey pitch only one use. With Female Sports getting more members need all area for Football and Cricket	Noted	N
1400	A synthetic hockey turf would be beneficial for the community as it would support the local Vic Park club in providing their members and players with a home turf that could then grow the club and entice more local players from inside and outside the community to shop/eat/drink in vic park around sporting times	Noted	N
1401	Growth and support of local sporting facilities will benefit our children in the future creating a multi diverse space is very beneficial.	Noted	N
1402	There are plenty of other football facilities around, hockey needs more synthetic turf fields.	Noted	N
1403	good hockey turf	Noted	N
1404	Hockey is a widely growing community sport in our state which needs the proper support for it to succeed. Our children need to have access to playing fields, which is now predominantly played on synthetic turf, for them to grow the skills to enable them to play at international levels. Football already has adequate money and support such as TV rights to benefit them and Hockey can be just as exciting to watch with abundant skills and thrills on offer!!	Noted	N
1405	I have lived here for 60 years, I have had the enjoyment of seeing this part developed and feel that changing the oval to allow hockey will increase traffic and noise and will take away the community sports groups that my family were all a part of.	Noted	N
1407	Please do not add any hockey pitches to the green public open space, Higgins Park. Reduced visual aesthetics for locals & users of park traffic & parking issues. Lighting & noise problems drop in property values. No black fences please. Option three with trees around the perimeter & retaining green public open space could be used in future for different sporting events maybe carnivals or many different possibilities. I have grown up on Creaton Street overlooking Higgins Park please don't destroy this beautiful public open green space.	Noted	N

1409	Supporting the development of hockey facilities in Vic Park	Noted	N
1410	Maximum options for all sports	Noted	N
1411	As a frequent user of the Playfield Reserve I strongly support Option 3 and strongly oppose Options 1 and 2. The large open grass expanse is a wonderful resource which we love immensely. It's scale and openness is what makes it special. It is a community asset. It is loved by the community. Options 1 and 2 are carving off a piece of this and fencing it in for the sole use of the hockey members. It will truncate the communal space and detract from the joy that it is. The majority of the community does not want this. Please do not proceed with the hockey turf.	Noted	N
1412	Leaving Higgins park as the footy oval would give the general public more access to public space than having a fenced off hockey turf. There is hockey turf at Curtin. Very close. The footy fields are open to all rather than select few hockey players (I am from an ex hockey family but can not support this option . Public open space and Vic Park community integration is more important. People love living Vic park because there is a great sense of community.	Noted	N
1413	<p>Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space).</p> <p>Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. (A modern turf field AS WELL as grass, for football or hockey, maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a modern sport facility).</p> <p>Enhance and provide passive recreation amenity to the local community. A synthetic turf field will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use.</p>	Noted	N

1414	<p>Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space).</p> <p>Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. (A modern turf field AS WELL as grass (for football or hockey) maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a modern sport facility)</p> <p>Enhance and provide passive recreation amenity to the local community. A synthetic turf field will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use.</p>	Noted	N
1415	<p>Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space).</p>	Noted	N
1416	<p>Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space).</p> <p>Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. (A modern turf field AS WELL as grass (for football or hockey) maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a modern sport facility)</p>	Noted	N
1417	<p>Public Open Space is a priority in this household. There is sufficient synthetic turf venues available albiet through considered negotiation.</p>	Noted	N
1418	<p>It is supported by the community. Independent reports do not justify further synthetic pitches.</p>	Noted	N
1420	<p>Strongly in support of a hockey turf to diversify use of this space & facilities</p>	Noted	N

1422	I moved into this community because of the parklands and wide open spaces to kick a ball, jog and the fact that we have other locations in the area for the proposed developments I feel it's a waste of my taxpayers money and ID rather see it spent on free parking to ensure the growth of our cafe district and business area and homeless support such as The Haven	Noted	N
1423	Hockey is a great participation sport fir young and old and I would suggest a lot of ratepayers fit into the old catagory.	Noted	N
1424	We must keep our green open sports space as VP becomes high density location, Member numbers at Vic Park Raiders and Carlisle Football club speak without words, Loosing a football oval would be 504 kids & 169 adults don't have a home to play footy at. These grounds hold history and meaning not only to the Whadjuk people, but to kids that have played football here, Men & Women that have moved on to play AFL started there journey here at Higgins Park. We know TOVP will hold their vision, mission & values true and help us protect Higgins Park for many generation to follow.	Noted	N
1425	The Site should be for all groups of people, including new sports of all ages, young and old. It needs upgrading with modern sporting facilities.	Noted	N
1426	We would like something for everyone if possible	Noted	N
1428	I am opposed to the use of artificial grass; it is environmentally unsound. Plus an MRSA infection can happen after skin is scraped or cut, which can occur from sliding on artificial grass. It can lead to pneumonia, sepsis and bloodstream infections that can prove fatal.	Noted	N
1429	Option 1 and 2 both provide a fair and balanced approach to the utilisation of the area and reflects the strong linkage with hockey in the local and wider area.	Noted	N
1430	Existing sporting clubs do not deserve to be removed by the hockey facility and the cost of such development would be excessive and not appropriate use of rate payer funds.	Noted	N
1431	A large playground for children will be awesome, as a hockey player i would love to see a hockey turd close to my home.	Noted	N

1432	<p>Larger playgrounds, minimal impact on traffic and extra parking influenced my votes. I was not always sure given the summary which was best but these seemed good options.</p> <p>I am involved in and support many sports and support more facilities whenever possible. Hockey is a growing sport, WA is very strong and well represented in national teams, and in need of more facilities for quality hockey to be played.</p>	Noted	N
1433	<p>One of my main reasons is the retention of current level of public access and limited parkland space for community health and wellbeing. It is currently a very natural, tranquil and accessible space that I have used for exercise and bbqs in addition to both daughter's training and playing footy with the Raiders.</p> <p>There is also my consideration of how difficult it is to keep the Raiders functioning with the current facilities let alone having reduced Higgins Park access and increased geographically distributed access to other ovals. This has already happened with some Raiders girls' teams training at Curtin Uni oval.</p> <p>There is also the impact on nearby residences of adding another club to the ground and the associated administrative and player traffic and the environmental impact of this on the area.</p> <p>I think the Towns finances might be better spent on enhancing the current offering of its resident sporting club rather than trying to accommodate an additional club without having adequate physical resources to do so in the context of this particular consultation.</p>	Noted	N
1435	<p>I would like to keep Higgins Park as it is.</p>	Noted	N
1436	<p>We should not be replacing public open green space with synthetic pitches of any type.</p>	Noted	N

1437	<p>The Town of Victoria Park has identified Higgins Park as a potentially suitable location for a turf hockey field and grass grounds for the Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club which they have been seeking for some 18 years. I am strongly of the view that all local sporting clubs have a right to suitable, modern facilities within the Town of Victoria Park and with the club's continued expansion, now is the time to progress our request. However, any outcome should not be a the detriment of any other club on the Higgins Park site.</p>	Noted	N
1438	<p>Higgins Park is a very football orientated area for many decades. Many of the previous football ovals in the Perth district have been lost to other sports such as soccer (mainly). The football ovals were generally supplemented with cricket use during the summer months. Hockey has always been a winter sport which was played at Fletcher Park during the winter with cricket using the facility during summer. The two proposals will provide a synthetic turf hockey pitch and possibly two additional grass fields for the Vic Park Hockey Club, but the club will still be split over two locations. The third option retains the football/cricket combination with improved facilities, but doesn't require the Town of Vic Park to find a new location for the football club. An alternative option could be shift the Perth Cricket Club from Fletcher Park to co-inhibit either Harold Rossiter Reserve and Higgins Park. This would compliment the Kent St High School Cricket program and football/cricket use. Fletcher Park could then have the year round synthetic hockey pitch installed and the associated grass pitches used to supplement the synthetic pitch usage and training.</p>	<p>Thank you for your comments. The intent of the Higgins Park and Playfield Reserve Masterplan is to determine the optimal use of these locations, as opposed to securing a location for a synthetic hockey turf. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.</p>	N
1439	<p>Environmentally concern for loosing mature trees and my family's been actively used Higgins Park for sports and every day walking our dog for many years. If approved, the Town's oldest and largest sporting club- Victoria Park Raiders Junior Football Club, will ni longer remain viable! Also it will be massively impacted with day/night games and substantial vehicular traffic.</p>	Noted	N

1440	<p>The development of this area to include a synthetic hockey field and grass fields will bring the Vic Park Hockey club to this precinct, by which it will bring all of their playing members (approx 600 members) and inject much needed life into this precinct. These members will use this facility every day as well as visiting club members. It will bring energy, life and financial gain to the suburb as well as a terrific health and wellbeing gains. It will not take up an excessive amount of the park and still allow all existing users plenty of open and free space. As for the floodlighting, modern lighting has come a long way and a great design will not "wash" outside the park. My children go to Millen PS and also play all sports, including hockey. After school they do not use this park as it is not offering any flexible play. To see this whole park developed for all sports including a skatepark would be terrific for our children and community. There are already plenty of spaces for dog-walkers etc and this would not impact them at all. We have way too many children living sedentary lives so the more sporting and free-play options the better!</p>	Noted	N
1441	<p>I strongly support the hockey club in having a proper Aquaturf facility with the Town of Victoria Park. There is enough open space for all sporting clubs who use Higgins Park to be able to do so. Sharing facilities, maximises the community use of the limited public open space available within the Town.</p>	Noted	N
1445	<p>Trying to reduce the considerable football focus of community sports areas across the ToVP</p>	Noted	N
1446	<p>The third option allows for maximum open space which is becoming more and more precious in Perth. Options 1 and 2 are compromising the size of the park by allowing the intrusion of large fenced off areas for hockey grounds, when the requirement for such facilities has not been adequately demonstrated. Not to mention the considerable extra costs involved. A definite 'NO' to options 1 & 2.</p>	Noted	N

1447	I support preserving the disappearing parkland open community spaces in the Town of Victoria Park. I find the Town's continual pursuit of a synthetic hockey turf, when it has been evaluated as not suitable, or desired by, the residents of Victoria Park frustrating. It makes me question the motivation of the staff of the Town of Victoria Park, the residents of someone else. Protect these limited natural green spaces for the community to enjoy all year round. As opposed to creating a synthetic monstrosity for a club for seasonal use which also results in kicking out other community groups who would have had no where to relocate too. Shame on you.	Noted	N
1448	There is already so much hockey in the area this would be benefitting a few but alienating many in my opinion. More natural grass and parkland and less fences please! I also don't like the idea of what option 1 and 2 cost would rather that money go to planting more trees. Thanks for hearing me out.	Noted	N
1449	These football grounds are used all week for training and matches on the weekend with more times than not all pitches being used. I don't know how a hockey venue which is used so seldom comparable to JUNIOR football has any place in the current environment. I am also led to believe it was the town of Victoria Park that made promises some 10 years ago that if the hockey club could raise the funds the town of Vic Park would find a suitable place not ask other codes to relinquish some of theirs I put forward the corner of Jarrah and Kent St which I believe to be a council lay down area which is under utilised and would be already banked for grandstands	Noted	N
1450	Hockey is a fun family sport for all ages and abilities and the Town of Vic Park is sadly lacking a venue	Noted	N
1451	The council should not be spending rate payers money on a synthetic hockey pitch when there are already perfectly good facilities just down the road at Curtin Uni.	Noted	N
1452	As a long standing member of the hockey community I believe having a facility in this area with an expanded playground area will make this area far more attractive with improved lighting, security and vibrant. Hockey is a great community sport who use these facilities and surrounds.	Noted	N

1453	Sport is great for community and for fitness. Our club is family friendly and so too would this be.	Noted	N
1455	There really is no need for Options 1 & 2 in terms of sporting config. Hockey is available nearby in several locations including Curtin Uni, and it's a single use area and surface. Leaving the field as footy and cricket gives full access to all for multiple uses including leisure and fitness, and this multi use and public access should be strongly supported by the council.	Noted	N
1456	Hockey is a great community sport and has a lot of juniors playing and need a place to call 'home'	Noted	N
1457	Hockey is a great community sport. Having a hockey facility will bring people into this area and drive vibrancy into the area.	Noted	N
1458	The synthetic hockey turf will take away from public green open space available to the local public. The synthetic turf will impact negatively on the Raiders football club as their area is either decreased or they will be forced to move entirely. The synthetic turf will only be used predominantly by a select few people during winter and will not be used during summer, hence taking away space from local community residents who use the park in the better weather. It has also been previously stated that there is no other suitable location for the entire football club to move to without displacing another sporting club or building infrastructure so why should they have to move?	Noted	N
1459	<p>I have recently moved to the area with my young family and part of the reason was to raise my children in an area with an amazing school (Millen) large parklands and recreational opportunities.</p> <p>I want my children to be able to play junior football, cricket and tennis walking distance from home to create a strong sense of community and connection to the area.</p> <p>I would love to see the school and Higgins park connected with no vehicular access along Playfield. I would also love for junior sports to be available all year long for the children and the green space to be accessible for everyone at all times.</p> <p>Thanks for investing in this area and taking the time to listen to our thoughts 🏡</p>	Noted	N

1460	I strongly favour retaining the limited and diminishing open green and parkland space for our area. Putting synthetic hockey fields look awful, is not in step with the natural habitat not is it ecologically sound. There is already so much hockey infrastructure in the area it beggars belief why our council rates would be used to create yet more hockey infrastructure at such a a high cost. Are the users of the hockey fields even residents of TVP? What about the kids and adults wanting to play footy? Why should they be displaced?	Noted	N
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1462	<p>I applaud the Council efforts to rationalize and improve public open spaces in the Town but in taking action, the principle “Do No Harm” should be paramount. We need to fight to keep every piece of green space, and add more.</p> <p>Current infill strategies to increase urban density in WA are decreasing backyard green spaces. East Victoria Park has a very fine example of a small green community space – the Kate Street Reserve - that is really ‘owned’ and treasured by the surrounding residents. More community-shared spaces like this are needed to help bind local areas.</p> <p>Sporting use of green public open spaces inevitably results in surreptitious and insidious ‘development creep’. It starts with just playing a game, then the needs/wants slowly grow – toilets, changing rooms, high mast lighting, car parking, club rooms, stadium seating, site security fencing, exclusive use and finally the open space is lost. Each need/want itself is not unreasonable but together have a cumulative effect. This must be understood and carefully managed with very open eyes from the start. The Town’s experience with the Eagles “Training” ground is a case in point.</p> <p>Sports groups see “unused” council land as an easy solution to their wants, placing no value on passive green open spaces. Groups should consider negotiating use of established school sports grounds which are vacant in the evenings, at weekends and during the holidays.</p> <p>“Unused” land has well-recognized multiple benefits - to the environment, and well-being of insects, birds, humans etc., etc.</p> <p>It seems quite unreasonable to me to oust the junior football club from Higgins Park just to provide facilities for the hockey club, which in any case as I understand it has few members who actually reside in the Town. Given that neighbouring hockey clubs are also looking for artificial grounds, surely they can cooperate to find a joint solution.</p> <p>Here is a serious suggestion: Whilst I am very strongly against the proposed elevated railway line in the Town, it seems that the State Government will force it through. If this occurs, it will result in a significant amount of blighted land under the viaduct which I am sure could provide hockey facilities, possibly even at the State’s expense.</p> <p>Incidentally, on a lighter note, my doctor recently advised me that moderate fresh air and drinking red wine are good for my health. I am therefore proposing to form the Victoria Park Alfresco Red Wine Drinking Club to pursue this healthy recreation and I anticipate many applications for membership. The club will need exclusive use of some outdoor tables and chairs in a convivial, leafy park setting, toilet facilities and of course adjacent club rooms in case the weather is inclement. We can use the same facilities for both training and the full activity and will restrict membership to residents of the Town. I am confident that the Council</p>	Noted. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form. We wish you luck with the creation of the Victoria Park Alfresco Red Wine Drinking Club.	N
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	<p>will fully support this healthy initiative by providing these essential facilities and perhaps help kick-start the club by supplying a few cases of WA reds.</p>		
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1463	My 3 daughters play hockey and I value it as an inclusive all ages team sport.	Noted	N
1464	From a retired footballer's perspective, that ground is an icon from a grass roots level for so many people. Having played both football and cricket there as well as enjoying being able to relax in a wide open green space whilst escaping the bustle of the city I find it appalling that this is even being considered for the locals who live there. Please save this park by not having a fenced off synthetic turf area.	Noted	N
1465	I completely disagree with ratepayer money being spent on a fenced synthetic hockey turf. I have many friends who play hockey including Victoria Park Xavier hockey club and NOT ONE support this option as its actually not good for the code. There are issues with making other nearby turfs unviable. A number of schools are setting up turfs and there is increasing availability at Curtin because other clubs have withdrawn. One of my closest friends lives on Playfield Street and played over 200 games at the highest level with Xavier hockey club. However he has left the club because of a toxic culture. I also feel for the residencies that will be affected and displacement of the Raiders Junior Football Club. There aren't enough parks in ToVP. Don't sacrifice the little we have, for so few people, with the majority not even living within the Town!	Noted	N
1466	My son lives and breathes hockey. It is a very popular sport that needs to be better catered for in your area. We currently live outside your shire, but are planning to move to it...a hockey turf would be a great attraction.	Noted	N
1467	The Victoria Park Raiders FC is a significant community group, which brings large numbers of the greater Victoria Park community together through sport. The dispersion of club teams across multiple grounds would be detrimental to the bonds which form the club. Public open spaces should be treasured and these assets act as a drawcard in attracting new residents to the Town. Re-development is important, injecting new life into the area, however in the current climate fiscal responsibility is also paramount. I strongly endorse Option 3.	Noted	N

1468	Having just moved to the area with small children, integrated play spaces with the option for numerous sporting activities near by is what we consider important for us as a family and our community. Limiting sports spaces to mainly hockey is not in the best interests of the community.	Noted	N
1470	Public green open space is important to me. The synthetic turf will negatively effect the Raiders Football Club which is an important junior football club for the area.	Noted	N
1471	The Vic Park JFC will not be able to function with Options 1 and 2. It is not considered reasonable to compromise one sporting club by introducing another in the same location.	Noted	N
1472	These seem to be the best choices for an inclusive sporting precinct	Noted	N
1473	These options may benefit a whole community and not just some.	Noted	N
1474	Many people enjoy the open parkland. Synthetic turf does not seem like a sensible use of funds	Noted	N
1475	I strongly support public green open space available to everyone and the development of a fenced off synthetic turf will take this away for the local community who use Higgins Park. I believe this turf will also negatively affect the football club who have used the park for along time with positive collaboration with the local residents. This is one of the largest green open spaces in the area and I do not want to see this taken away.	Noted	N

1477	My kids go to Millen, play all sports including hockey, we currently do not use this park as their is unsuitable spaces for the kids to play after school. The prooossed development which I have supported is inclusive for all sports featured including hockey. Vic Park Hockey Club has over 600 members who will use this facility everyday of the week and bring in social, health and financial wellbeing to the area and surrounding community. I also think it is important to include a skatepark as this is a terrific way to get kids off lounges and outside as well as being a gret gateway to seeing the other sports played in this park. There are too many sedentary children in my opinion so the more inclusive the space (Hockey. Tennis, footy, cricket, skatepark, free play space and children playgrounds) the better!	Thank you for your comment. The Town agree that skate parks are a great addition. The 'youth zone' Noted on all masterplan options could potentially include some wheeled sports activities. The Town is planning to create a skate park at McCallum Park, so any facility at Higgins Park might not be of the same scale, but can be investigated in Design Development.	N - considere d in Design Developm ent
1478	Retain football, maximises green open space (no synthetic), living near Curtin hockey pitch noise of hockey is significant compared to AFL, no loss of existing trees	Noted	N
1479	I think the hockey club deserves a synthetic turf field in the town of Vic Park.	Noted	N
1480	There are good hockey facilities at the University hockey stadium close by. The other options cut into the usefulness of the park for other non-hockey options	Noted	N
1481	Don't need synthetic hockey field given the many hockey facilities in the area.	Noted	N

1482	<p>As a ratepayer, it beggars belief that millions of dollars could be spent on converting green space, that can be utilised by the whole community, into a restricted fenced facility, that only a section of the community can (and would need to) use.</p> <p>Numerous reports also indicate that the Town of Victoria Park already has ample access to hockey turf facilities – the question needs to be asked WHY the Council would even be looking into converting such a space for the use of the Hockey community alone!?</p> <p>As a parent with a young family, one of the attractions to this particular area was the beautiful green space of Higgins Park. It would be such a shame to lose this. The suggested ‘kit of part’ options were thoughtful and would be a wonderful addition to our community – NOT the hockey turfs. Please keep the green space as is and improve with more play spaces like suggested, which can be utilised by far more members of the community - the ratepayers who will be paying for any improvements.</p> <p>The possibility that the Victoria Park Raiders Junior Football club will not remain viable if this goes ahead is heartbreaking – I have a little boy who we envisage one day playing his first game of Aussie rules with the Raiders at Higgins Park.</p>	Noted	N
1484	<p>This is a public open space park used by so many members of the community, we love to walk the dog, exercise ourselves, kids run and play, meet friends for picnic. I don't like the idea of fenced hockey turf for exclusive use of a few. It's our hyperlocal park at the end of our street, please keep it open and accessible for all.</p>	Noted	N
1487	<p>I don't believe the hockey turf option should be supported as it would take away a well used and beneficial green space for the (whole) local community. My son has been looking forward to playing football for the Raiders at Higgins Park when he is old enough, it would break his heart if he couldn't. It would be such a shame to lose this great green space.</p>	Noted	N
1490	<p>Hockey community will bring people to rejuvenate this area</p>	Noted	N
1491	<p>Don't need more hockey fields and synthetic turf!</p>	Noted	N
1492	<p>We don't need more fenced hockey fields!!</p>	Noted	N
1494	<p>To allow all sport to be played on the sporting ovals</p>	Noted	N

1496	Have a synthetic turf is my priority	Noted	N
1498	ToVP suffers from lack of community facilities and lack of available public land to repurpose. An option which includes as many sports as possible needs to be adopted.	Noted	N
1499	Hockey is a very important part of my son's life and his strong sense of belonging to the suburb where he lives, Victoria Park/Lathlain. Although his parents don't play hockey, it has also introduced us to many families that live in our community as well as encouraging the powerful message of how important team sports are for our current youth - both physically and mentally.	Noted	N
1500	Moving forward in the 21st century sporting facilities need to stay current. Artificial hockey turfs are required to continue the growth of Hockey in WA. Hockey Wa host the AIS and attracts large numbers of national international and rural hockey players. The hockey competition in Perth is one of the strongest in the world and another facility will only help the sport grow where Australia have won Gold at the Olympics.	Noted	N
1501	<p>I believe it is of vital importance to the community to retain as much park as possible which extends to real grass and not synthetic turf. This after all is East Victoria Park and we should live up to the name in providing beautiful large open park spaces.</p> <p>I find it hard to believe that the trees next to the hockey pitch will survive during the process nor will it be feasible per the outlined design to plant new trees so close to the hockey pitch. This appears to be a design fault.</p> <p>The hockey pitch seems out of place and not in keeping with the aesthetic and current use of the park.</p> <p>I also believe option three caters for a wide variety field sports in having the larger park expanse availability.</p>	Noted	N

1502	<p>I don't agree that any single sports club should be overly disadvantaged by the proposed changes. However, Vic Park Xavier Hockey Club has been disadvantaged for a significant number of years in not having access to a home turf, and failing to provide a suitable site for a synthetic hockey turf will continue this inequitable situation.</p> <p>As a sporting complex, it seems reasonable to add a synthetic turf to the other sporting facilities including tennis, croquet and multisport courts on the site. Option 1, while not perfect for either the football or the hockey club, still allows football to continue on the site; the hockey club will still need to train on grass at Fletcher Park. Not ideal, but the best compromise that still supports the two sporting clubs in the TOVP. The additional planting and landscaping will ensure that the value of Higgins Park as green space, for bird life, tree canopy and the community, is not unduly impacted by the turf.</p>	Noted	N
1503	<p>I am not a resident of Victoria Park, however I have family members in three households who reside in close proximity to the park. In particular, one resident lives directly across the road to Higgins Park and has small children with whom I visit regularly and I often play with the children in the park.</p> <p>Under the current arrangement parking is often difficult, and would become much worse with the addition of additional sporting facilities.</p> <p>I feel that it is completely inappropriate to add more sporting facilities so close to residential properties as this would detract from the peaceful lifestyle of the owner/occupiers.</p> <p>The council should examine the sporting facilities in Hay Park in Bunbury which are located remote from residential areas and do not impinge on the nearby residences either from excessive traffic, noise and light pollution during night time sporting activities.</p>	Noted	N
1504	<p>As a dog owner it is nice to have the whole park to use and keep a safe distance from other dog owners</p>	Noted	N
1505	<p>There is no need for another field hockey playing field - there is a perfectly adequate modern facility at nearby Curtin University, only a few blocks away. That facility is fully lit for night practice and games.</p> <p>The proposed facility at Higgins Park, with similar nighttime lighting to that at Curtin University, would be unsympathetic to ratepayers who live in the vicinity of the park.</p> <p>Why double up on facilities?</p>	Noted	N

1508	Hockey is important as sporting option to our family and many others.	Noted	N
1509	As the different teams are regular flag winners I believe that the hockey club deserves top class facilities.	Noted	N
1511	<p>I strongly oppose putting a synthetic hockey turf onto this oval, with a huge fence around it. This site is way too small to cope with this sort of infrastructure-the impact to residents will be substantial. I cannot fathom how council would consider disturbing an oval that operates at or above capacity for its size, with minimal environmental, open space and community impacts to include this. Most other councils would envy this sort of efficiency of a site that can still accommodate wider community needs such as open space and minimal impacts.</p> <p>There is no precedent for a hockey turf on an oval this small in WA, nor in a residential zone such as this one. There has been no evidence of 'need' for a synthetic turf: no evidence that the hockey club is compromised from lack of its own turf, and certainly no evidence about what the wider community could gain from installation in such an inappropriate spot.</p> <p>I hope that Councillors will seriously consider the immediate and long term impacts on reducing open space in the context of the towns population increase, evidenced shortage on open space and move to smaller dwellings with limited yards, increasing the need to preserve parks. I strongly support Option 3 only, for these reasons.</p>	Noted	N
1512	Green space is vital for the whole community to access. Fewer fences, more open spaces, and retaining a place where all of the community can meet together, play together, and feel the freedom of a wide, uncluttered space is more important than ever.	Noted	N
1513	As a local to the area we have enough sporting ovals. I would prefer to leave it as a park for families	Noted	N
1514	don't want a fenced area	Noted	N

1515	<p>Although I do not live in the area, I drive specifically to Higgins Park as it is one of the few ovals that I can bring my two border Collie dogs, plus family of small children, for an off-leash run around, with enough space to not interfere with sports games, dogs running on the road or interference with other oval users. If this space is shrunk down-due to having to accommodate a synthetic turf, then, quite simply-this busy park will not be able to accommodate the heavy number of sporting users as well as community users. As is normally the case with over capital development-it will be mainly the community members that suffer. The park is completely surrounded by residential houses, who will be significantly impacted, by the noise and lighting in addition-the increased traffic and parking-this spot is already dangerous as it accommodates very high traffic & parking volumes especially in wintertime.</p> <p>There will be more injury & disturbance to wildlife-particularly the birds with a reduction in space as they will be in closer contact to dog walkers, traffic & parking below the tree perimeters as well as smaller space to go on the ground-impacting their territories & flock sizes, a problem further magnified with the projected population increase.</p> <p>The Hill View Tce residents will have a view only of retaining walls & fencing: with both hockey and tennis infrastructure the whole perimeter. I could see no evidenced proof that the hockey club requires this to be successful, it is a want-not a need, nor could I see a single community benefit offered with this infrastructure, aside from the hockey club. There is already a lack of shade on this oval, especially in summertime-addition of a synthetic turf will only contribute to an increase in oval temperature, making it more unpleasant for any user and wildlife. I am disappointed that such a beautiful oval that already accommodates great sporting diversity for its size, will be sacrificed to benefit only one sporting club. I feel this is not a priority of wider community initiatives. The hockey club is in no different position to many of the other sporting clubs of the town: basketball is split up as aqualife cannot fit all their games/matches, soccer teams train on different grounds to their home site of Raphael park, the football club girls team plays on a different site to Higgins as it is already full. Please councillors-leave a legacy to the community that their needs are seen as equal to that of a single sporting code and endorse Option 3-protecting and preserving the town's limited green open space, providing consideration for residents and aligning closely wiht the town's other great initiatives such as the urban forest strategy and of particular importance in this day/age: new climatic action plan. Green space is more sustainable and is the way of the future.</p>	Noted. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N
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1516	Anything that can be done to provide sporting facilities for our young people is good for the community. I am 74.	Noted. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N
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<p>1517</p>	<p>The addition of Multiple fenced synthetic hockey turfs has impacts not only on the community use of the space but also the existing environment.</p> <p>I don't see how displacing a long standing community football club like the Vic Park Raiders, of whose players are a very large portion of the town of Vic Park residents and rate payers, in preference to the Panthers Hockey club who I believe have less than 50% of their members residing in the town of Vic Park is appropriate.</p> <p>No provisions (that I am aware of) have been made as options of alternate locations for this large football club should Higgins Park no longer be available to them for use.</p> <p>I believe that the Panthers Hockey club have been offered other alternatives which have been rejected by the club although for what reasons I'm not sure. There is already a large hockey stadium and dedicated training facilities located at Curtin University. I don't see how this space can not be used by the club which would save the town of Vic Park a substantial amount of money not having to develop another hockey facility and therefore allow these funds to be allocated to another area of need.</p> <p>With regards to the development of Higgins Park in any capacity I believe the maintenance of the natural area needs to be preserved where possible and the removal of large numbers of trees should be avoided. These trees provide shade and habitat for wildlife and contribute to the street appeal of the park.</p> <p>I am all for developing the area to provide more facilities for the community to use at their leisure.</p> <p>Upgrades to the playground with park furniture and bbqs and public toilet access should be a priority.</p> <p>I believe the primary focus should be to allow the rate payers and residents of the town of Vic Park to be able to use as much of the park as much of the time and not destroy the current landscape and make the entire area into a synthetic landscape for the exclusive use of one sporting club Who the majority of members do not live within our town.</p> <p>Another consideration should be the safety of the children at Millen Primary School. Many children walk or ride bikes Home from school and if the traffic becomes heavier along these roads without adequate safety provisions, that is simply not acceptable.</p> <p>In your developments, provisions should be made to improve parking for families for school drop offs and pickups especially as this school community continues to grow.</p> <p>Millen primary school has already made improvements to parking with kiss and drive zones and additional parking within their own grounds during recent upgrades to the early education block.</p>	<p>Noted. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.</p>	<p>N</p>
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The town should look at maintaining adequate parking or upgrading parking facilities without too much disruption to the current landscape. With the right type of developments and enhancements Higgins Park could also be more utilised by the school for sporting events etc.

What needs to be remembered is that this is not an area that has been proposed to be upgraded due to lack of use. I realise that the town has done some great work in previous years developing under utilised areas and making them into very enjoyable areas for all of the community (eg Rayment Park in Iathlain)

Higgins Park is widely used by long standing, well established sporting clubs (football and cricket and fitness groups) And should not be destroyed, but rather improved upon and enhanced to better serve The community, residents and rate payers that already enjoy this green open space.

I sincerely hope the council listens to the considerations of the ratepayers of the town of Vic Park before voting and deciding on the future of this area.

1518	Hockey is a growing sport in Australia. Both male and female Australian hockey teams are in the time 2 in the world. The more synthetic turfs we have the better with Perth being the home of the AIS. Vic park is a very successful family oriented club which will only succeed more if we have our own synthetic turf.	Noted	N
1519	We need more green real grass spaces. Not less.	Noted	N
1520	Data, including the Parks and Leisure Western Australia Community Facilities Guidelines Report of July 2020, clearly indicates that there is already ample hockey infrastructure in the region.	Noted	N
1521	The PLA website of existing facilities shows enough synthetic hockey ovals in Vic Park and South Perth, creating another one is not needed. Fencing another section of this park for the exclusive use of one club is not supported. I walk my dog on this park and we are able to walk around the existing users. Removing trees is not supported, given the town's focus on Urban Tree canopy too.	Noted	N
1522	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optimise regional active recreation opportunities on the site (not only will it bring a new sport, it will be utilised far more than the oval is and will include players of all ages, including seniors and can be used by several sporting codes while retaining a large portion of open grass space). • Maximise and modernise the recreational offering of the site. (A modern turf field AS WELL as grass (for football or hockey) maximises and is the most effective use of the site and provides a modern sport facility) • Enhance and provide passive recreation amenity to the local community. A synthetic turf field will allow ACTIVE sport AS WELL AS passive activity when the grass fields are not in use. • Make public open space and Town assets work for the community. There is already a very large, underused grass field 2.2km from Higgins Park (Harold Rossiter Park). It would be not a responsible use of the town's limited sporting spaces if it does not maximise usage. • Hockey will activate the site and increase lighting and community safety. 	Noted	N
1523	I chose these because there are many footy and cricket ground in the city but there isn't a single hockey synthetic turf in the city of Victoria Park.	Noted	N
1524	No Fenced Hockey field please, open playing field should stay	Noted	N

1525	I believe we have enough hockey facilities just look at Curtin and I think we need more football and outdoor natural playing fields Plus why spend all that money give us a discount on rates and taxes!! What about upgrading the basketball courts at the leisure centre in Victoria park our local Red backs basketball association have not enough basketball courts Surely someone can get it right for the community	Noted	N
1526	I think that hockey needs another synthetic pitch and grass pitches as the demand for the sport grows.	Noted	N
1527	Development of a multi-sport complex will greatly enhance the area and hockey clubs (which cater for all ages - minky to masters) need a synthetic surface to attract and retain players and assist in skill development for juniors	Noted	N
1528	The options I support I believe are beneficial to a variety of sports, members and local community people.	Noted	N
1530	I strongly oppose putting a synthetic hockey turf at higgins park. It will limit the use of the park to a small group of people, remove precious and highly valued green space which is at odds with public sentiment and the wellbeing of both people, animals, the environment. the hockey field is unsightly and will devalue the area. Parking is of concern. It seems unfair and unethical to displace the existing football club. There are alternative locations which could be considered which are larger and would have a less detrimental impact on the surrounding community. Eg playfields along manning road, or those in como adjacent to the city of south perth recycling centre and animal care facility.	Noted	N
1531	Benefit for all sport not just football and cricket	Noted	N

1532	<p>After playing close to 150 games for the Vic Park Raiders JFC and then returning to the club to coach a team for three years I have seen the club grow substantially over the last 15-20 years, to now include girls teams.</p> <p>By adding a synthetic hockey turf you are taking away vital space that is needed for the club to continue growing into the future.</p> <p>I believe that reducing the space will have a detrimental affect in the coming years to the numbers of junior players involved at the club. This in turn will also affect our senior affiliate club, the Carisle Cougars, who a lot of our players progress to when they're no longer eligible for junior football.</p>	Noted	N
1533	<p>Green open space available to everyone is important to me, especially one so close to the city. The construction of a fenced synthetic turf will take away the space that is currently available to all people who use it. I am also a firm believer in grassroots sports for children and the Raiders have a terrific auskick program which is the biggest in the perth metro area. This program, and subsequent junior football teams will be negatively impacted with the synthetic turf being built on their current grounds. The synthetic turf is for the very specific sport of hockey and when the Panthers are not playing (summer months) that area cant be used by local community residents as it will be fenced off.</p>	Noted	N
1535	<p>I am eager to retain public access rights to the open spaces at Higgins Park for the "community's" use and not have part of the park fenced off for the use of the minority. I believe the local community already has good access to hockey facilities at the purpose built Curtin University facility, amongst others.</p> <p>It is concerning that some people seem intent on converting our remaining open green expanses into controlled sporting facilities, and having failed with the Kent st application, have now turned to Higgins park.</p>	Noted	N
1538	<p>Victoria Park is rich in football history and grass roots football has been part of the fabric of our community all the way through. With the Eagles at Lathlain Park we need to reinvest in junior football and make it a power house. Nothing against Hockey but make one sport great and integrate community activitie with it .It will work</p>	Noted	N

1539	Please avoid fencing in large areas of the park for specific sports. Easy access and casual use are the current best features. A fenced area runs directly opposite this. I will cease using this park if this is done as there's no point running around a bunch of giant ugly fences, and with provisioning the best "walking/running" areas around the fields would be on the slopes. I already avoid the tennis area, please don't destroy the field with fences.	Noted	N
1541	Value retention of public open space, natural beauty and wildlife habitat of established trees. Value retention of access for all current users, especially junior "grass roots" sport, casual exercise users and dog walkers. Find thought of substantial fencing and high intensity lighting associated with hockey fields detracts from the site, and would be very distasteful if living around the perimeter of this parkland. Value improvements to existing buildings and play areas + changes that improve aesthetic and functional links to Millen Primary School. Strongly feel hockey fields should be established away from residential streets - better suited to spaces like cnr of Leach Hwy and Manning Rd for example.	Noted	N
1544	I selected strongly in favour of the third choice as it has no hockey field. Installing a hockey field is disruptive to the clubs i know use the current space, disruptive to those in the surrounding areas who enjoy the open space and disruptive park wildlife (these diagram shows several trees which currently host native birds are being removed). Plus local hockey clubs already use a number of nearby facilities, why would they pay to use yours? Its a very silly idea, and I have no idea why it was even suggested, removing 1/4 of the park for a fenced in field no one wants? Please have some sense and go with option 3.	Noted	N
1545	Impacts on local junior footy who have nowhere else to go. The hockey stadium is 1km away - why not build the hockey pitches there, instead of forcing another sport out from Higgins Park?	Noted	N

1546	<p>I have lived in Victoria Park since 1943. I currently live in Lathlain where my wife Natalie Easter and myself built the house in 1957 and where we still reside. I have always believed that children should play and enjoy sport of any kind, however I do believe that team sport has the greater benefit as a social teacher of belonging and learning the values of winning and losing that will create a good citizen.</p> <p>It is this belief that led my three children being encouraged to play hockey at Victoria Park Hockey and they in return sent their children to play in the same club and all have been hard workers and good parents.</p> <p>Why am I supporting the application for a synthetic turf in Higgins Park? Hockey at the International competition level in all countries and Interstate are today played on this surface. To encourage children to continue play sport into adult hood it is important for them aim to emulate the success of senior players in State and International hockey. This will be encouraged by the ability at a young age to develop the special skills that differ from playing on grass. An interesting but important result of playing into adulthood" is that hockey is played at Club and International level as "Veterans" up to the age in some cases over 80 years of age. this is the case for all genders.</p> <p>The use of synthetic turf is not restricted to only hockey as other sports are using this material including international football.</p> <p>Victoria Park have produced State and International players in the past to make Victoria Park well known by many players in Australia and around the World. Other councils in W.A. have synthetic turf hockey fields and do not appear to have negative affects on their society.</p> <p>Thank you hearing my plea for a long over due synthetic turf in The Town of Victoria Park.</p> <p>Yours sincerely Colin Easter</p>	Noted	N
1547	Environmental impact	Noted	N
1549	I do not support football leaving Higgins Park after so many years, there is an established community of people brought together by this which should be respected.	Noted	N
1551	very important to retain the limited parkland space for community health and wellbeing, minimize residential impact	Noted	N

1552	Higgins park is beautiful and I love the open space that is provided. We DO NOT NEED another hockey ground. Curtin Uni hockey is around the corner. A big ugly lockable fence with synthetic turf will look horrible and is not needed. The closing of Playfield St and Fred Bell is a great idea and the more playgrounds and activities for kids the better.	Noted	N
1553	In my view we do not need more green space destroyed and replaced with a synthetic surface. This is a huge and unnecessary expense coming from rate payer funds.	Noted	N
1556	We love the wide open space at Higgins park for walking our dogs and letting our toddler 'run free'. I dont understand why you need synthetic hockey courts when there are many at curtin around the corner. It would ruin the beautiful wide open community feel of the park. Cant wait for the new playgrounds and nature playground, so essential! I hope they have lots of shade which the current playground is lacking	Noted	N
1557	Really keen to see a synthetic turf developed in this region for the good of hockey for participants across the metro area that have to travel to Vic Park to play.	Noted	N
1558	I am concerned football will detrimentally affected by Hockey, however I am fully supportive of the revitalization of the park, opportunity for play space, links between Millen. My only other recommendation would be parking along Hill view.	Thank you for your comment. Parking along Hill View Terrace was considered during the masterplan process, however given the speed limit and high volume of use along this road, it was considered a safety concern to provide formalised parking here. Thank you for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N

1559	<p>Available assessments of sporting facilities in Perth Noted an oversupply of hockey facilities, so why build more, especially as the Curtin Uni facility is so close by. The building of the facility also fences off land that should be accessible for all Vic Park residents, not a restricted few. A quick trawl of Hockey WA instagram reveals that Hockey is a sport dominated by or almost exclusively white and middle class people, so developing for Hockey use and restricting access is certainly not even close to 'inclusive' for all residents. Neither does a hockey pitch make the space work for the community, or maximise recreational offerings if the masterplan chosen excludes many residents from a previously public areas. Vic park has little green space as it is, and this will become more important not less over time as infill development takes away gardens and mature trees. The importance of public green space has been shown in Melbourne during lockdown recently, with poorer residents having little access to exercise areas and green spaces compared to more well off residents - this seems to be what you are trying to do here with options 1 and 2 - take a public area where all have access regardless of money, class or race and fence it off for a richer, whiter group, who already have over provision for their sport in Perth. It also removes existing users from a significant portion of the site (the football club, incidental exercise areas, areas for children to play without paying to join a club, dog walking etc.).</p> <p>The loss of grassed areas also has implications for the impacts of climate change, synthetic turf does not reduce temperatures, as grass does, and does not mitigate storm water run off. The area at the base of Hill View/Jarrah/Boundary already floods, this will increase that. It may be that it is 'only one park' but every council in Perth is reducing green spaces for development, and soon there will be very little left for people to use.</p> <p>I also do not wish to have the late night noise from a hockey pitch with late night games - you can hear the football very well from from boundary road, but that is always carried out in reasonable hours.</p> <p>Town of Vic Park makes a big deal of your planting trees and green initiatives etc, which are all excellent - but then carrying out a development like this destroys all that good work in one go, and leaves us in a less green, less nature based, less happy place. The importance of green space, nature and trees to human happiness, contentment and wellbeing is well documented, please don't remove any more.</p>	Noted	N
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1560	there are components of each design which are good no their own merits. would like to see a masterplan which takes the strongest supported components which informs the final Masterplan. Great work by the place planning team.	Noted	N
1561	Option 1 & 2 don't support local football at all. Fancy playing footy on a smaller oval that's not standard with a cricket pitch running through it. Hockey can find a home elsewhere eg: collier park, Raphael park, Harold rossiter. Lots of other options for them!	Noted	N
1562	I don't support the privatisation of public space.	Noted	N
1563	Need to retain the natural landscapes of the area and not introduced fenced turf areas for Hockey. This will limit community access to the natural park as it is Higgins Park - not a Turf Park!	Noted	N
1564	I coach the mens 1s at Vic Park, play for the 3s. My wife plays for the womens 2s and coaches minkey. Our eldest plays minkey and our youngest will next year. I also play tennis for Higgins park. At the top end the club needs a turf to enable us to compete and develop and to foster a culture of inclusivity and respect which compliments the Town's values. Please do not underestimate the social impact of the club - my children exist because of the hockey club as do many others. We guide children and adults through life challenges as well as just play hockey. It is a great, well run family club and a turf would only add to that and the TOVP community. By having the turf, others do not have to miss out - there is plenty of room for dog walkers, other sports etc. and it has been so frustrating having this "us vs them" debacle for years - we can all exist and thrive together.	Noted	N
1566	I chose these choices because I play hockey and would be nice we to have a new turf also I have kids that love plaing at the park. It would be a great thing to see everything to all together in one location.	Noted	N
1567	I wish to retain limited parkland space for kids and for me walking my dogs at that park every day. Residents will be massively impacted with day/night games and traffic.	Noted	N

1568	<p>As a former resident, student at Millen PS and having played junior football at Higgins Park, the wide open space makes it one of the best open park areas in metro Perth.</p> <p>It has been a home to junior football for many decades and I've seen first-hand the community importance of having a home ground like this available to residents of the surrounding areas, over a long period of time (from 1984 onwards).</p> <p>It is incomprehensible that ToVP would displace a community club, of a sport which is in the fabric of society in WA, whose participation is strong and has been sustained for a long time to suit the exclusive interest of a small group of niche activity participants, many of whom would most likely reside some distance from the park.</p> <p>On my return visits "home" I always visit Higgins Park as a priority and would be disappointed if the open park layout was compromised in any way.</p>	Noted	N
1569	<p>Prefer to keep maximum open space for everyone to use. Current situation is fine with me. We love it when the lights get left on late for night time exercise. Be great to have night lighting there. Would be nice to have a bigger and better playground and more bbq and shade areas. Would be nice for the whole Higgins & Playfield areas to be landscaped and paths, would really make it awesome. Don't like fenced hockey turf/s taking up space and I feel it will just be the beginning if they start with one turf. Don't think it's fair to push out cricket and footy that regularly use. A community centre upgrade would be great especially if there is a space that can be hired by community. Prefer expenses to be minimised for all work done. I like the idea of slowing of traffic on Playfield for safety but really wouldn't like it to close as I use it very often. Formal parking on Playfield and some on Etwell (Millen Primary) would be great. Thanks for listening 😊</p>	Thank you for your comment. Many of the suggestions you have made are included in option 3. Thanks for taking the time to complete a submission form.	N
1570	<p>IT IS IMPORTANT TO ME TO RETAIN LIMITED PARKLAND SPACE FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH AND WELLBEING THE PUBLIC NEED TO CONTINUE TO HAVE ACCESS TO THE HIGGINS PARK</p>	Noted	N

1571	<p>Having a synthetic hockey turf at Higgins Park will not only restrict public open space usage but the night lighting will attract mosquitoes which could potentially be a health risk to the local community. The night lighting will also disturb the neighbouring residents and wildlife (Birds). Allowing option one will leave the Raiders junior football club with no home grounds and considering that all of its members are local residents this would be very unfair.</p>	Noted	N
1572	<p>There isn't enough green spaces in the Town of Victoria Park and having synthetic turf oval is not what most of the community wants. Sporting clubs needs to share the green spaces and having the synthetic turf oval is not allowing other sporting clubs to utilise this space</p>	Noted	N
1573	<p>I obviously play hockey in the area and for the Vic Park hockey club. We would absolutely love and benefit from having our own synthetic turf, it would create a stronger club atmosphere and benefit the sport and the club greatly, as at the moment we share facilities with several other clubs.</p> <p>WA (and Perth, in particular the Hockey Turfs at PHS) is the home of Hockey Australia's High Performance Unit. It is something that we as a city can be proud of, and our club (Vic Park Panthers) boasts a number of international grade hockey players. Increasing facilities and support for the sport allows it to keep growing, our clubs to keep flourishing, Perth to remain the home of the Hockeyroos and Kookaburras, and hockey to continue as one of Australia's most successful international team sports.</p> <p>Increasing our facilities by building a synthetic turf will allow our club to continue to improve our competitiveness in the Perth hockey tournaments, and increase trainings and on-field time for all of our teams, as we will no longer have to share facilities with other clubs. Hockey is an amazing sport to support, and the sport itself has a family-orientated culture, and is a warm, friendly, and welcoming sport for players and spectators of all ages, skill levels, and backgrounds.</p>	Noted	N
1574	<p>From a community perspective the greatest value comes from Options 1 & 2. They gain considerable amounts of play space, community interactive space & beautifying aspects to Higgins Park & Playfield reserve while still maintaining ample open space for passive recreation and organised sport. Added benefit of an upgraded 'clubhouse' that can be used by various groups & additional lighting on the park making it usable at night and a safer space. It would be exciting to see this currently underutilised park & reserve as a hive of activity.</p>	Noted	N

1575	Having a synthetic hockey field at Higgins Park will restrict the public open-space Usage and the night lighting will attract Mosquitoes at night which could potentially be a health risk to the local community. The fencing around the synthetic Turf hockey field will be an eyesore and will limit the use of this area to only hockey members when they are training training or playing.	Noted	N
1576	In favour of green open spaces, not in favour of moving the raiders junior football club. Turf is available at Curtin Stadium that could accommodate Vic PI hockey club, cannot see why they could not use that venue.	Noted	N
1577	No positive environmental impact with astroturf, non-inclusive nature of hokey pitch. No throughfare for residents	Noted	N

1578	<p>I feel that the masterplan designs and enhancements are exciting and innovative, except for the inclusion of synthetic hockey turf, to which I am strongly opposed to both in options 1 & 2. There is no evidenced need that outlines why the ToVP community would need to spend so much money (with a significant portion coming from ratepayers), on such infrastructure, in a location that would fragment or completely relocate other sporting clubs (to an oval that provides no obvious equivalent or better standard), causes significant negative residential impacts and takes away a huge portion of public green open space, of which there is substantial evidence that ToVP is critically low on.</p> <p>I believe that consideration of this in two out of three of the options is unbalanced and unfair to the community. I live down the road to Higgins Park and use it daily to walk my dog, personal exercise and to have quality family time with my husband and young children. The park is perfect to meet these community needs predominantly because it is not over-developed: our children can run around without encumbering on owners walking their dogs off leash (not many areas large enough to do that), as well as not interfere with sports training-because the oval is sizeable enough to allow enough space that there is not overcrowding. Restricting the oval size through development of a turf would cause huge problems for the current users in terms of interference and health/safety risks associated with mixing dogs, community members & training all at the same time. It would then be community benefits that would suffer to counter: e.g. becoming on-lead, restricted user times to avoid crowds etc. The additional formal parking required would only add to the already high volume of traffic and parking experienced on the perimeter of this oval, considering its residential zoning. The lights, aesthetic views that give people an escape from city and connection with nature would all disappear, and to benefit for only one sporting club. 2020 has been about promoting sustainability and protection of our planet to accommodate for increased population. The proposals put forward in this design directly counter the longer term future planning around this concept and I believe-have not been prioritised at all in the pre-setting of these options. In addition, I am concerned that in the early phases of the design needs analysis-why community/residents/informal exercisers were not consulted to be part of the design needs analysis-a document that assisted council in selecting these options. It was only formal sporting groups (current & only hockey as a potential), that were interviewed, why were soccer clubs not consulted, as an example? From my reading and evidence provided I am fully confident in my decision to strongly oppose options 1 & 2 on the basis of not closely aligning with wider council scope. Option 3 most closely aligns and best accommodates all representatives of our great community, not just large sporting groups. In addition, it takes into account best practice environment &</p>	Noted	N
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	<p>sustainability considerations as well as equal consideration to the surrounding residents of the park. Please support Option 3.</p>		
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1579	I feel that a Hockey Pitch would negatively impact on the available space for Raiders Football Club. Space is well used at current and if green space was reduced then that directly affects the Football Club.	Noted	N
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1580	<p>I am a health & phys ed teacher at a local victoria park school. In my experience in playing and training a wide range of sports, I am disappointed that council has considered an oval of this size, only 7.2 acres, suitable enough to consider inclusion of synthetic hockey turf infrastructure.</p> <p>I strongly oppose options 1 & 2 on the grounds that:</p> <p>a) The design needs analysis highlighted that the oval is operating at or above capacity for its size. Additional infrastructure is highly likely to damage grass turf quality.</p> <p>b) Fragmentation of a junior football club. Many students of mine play for the junior football club and-many have to make their own way to training via passive means (walk, bike). Relocation or splitting across other ovals will seriously compromise many of the players ability to attend training/games, based simply on the fact, they are too young to have vehicle transport. If they are not able to access easily, they are more than likely not to enrol, meaning club may lose numbers. I teach a number of rotary boarding students who often (if they can't walk, get picked up by community volunteers who give their time to the Raiders football club). Again, relocation will stretch resources to assist in transport of these students to training/games across ovals further away, again risking enrolment numbers. The Junior Football club is a pathway of engagement for many of the students that I work with-it keeps them active & positive members in the community, without it, we risk these youth having limited access to engagement putting them at risk in terms of their health, wellbeing & contribution to community/sense of belonging.</p> <p>c) The school I work for (Kent Street Senior High School), utilises the oval for football-as our oval is decommissioned. Realistically, having to relocate makes logistics more difficult in terms of cost/transport of our football teams, & by extension potentially threatens their viability also.</p> <p>d) The residential zoning of the oval-the hockey infrastructure is large, fenced, takes up huge space with significant traffic, light and noise impacts. Many residents will get a duplicate effect of these impacts as they can already hear the noise from Curtin Hockey Stadium. This, put simply, is not fair-particularly when there are no other residential/local gains to be made outside of the local hockey club. To expect community to have to lose open space, significant noise and lack of enjoyment to property, as well as rate payer funding, based on limited wider community use is unequal and shows larger sporting clubs being preferenced by council, above ratepayers.</p> <p>e) Environment-Player/user stress also comes into play regarding environment. It is widely known that the impacts of synthetic turf causes significant temperature increases, disrupting environment for players, surrounding environment and users. This is especially serious in Australian summer climates.</p>	Noted	N
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	<p>I urge council to support option 3 of the Higgins Masterplan as it best accommodates sporting as well as community & environmental needs.</p>		
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1581	<p>I am a regular user of Higgins Park for relaxation, personal exercise and socialising with my family. The open green space provides a beautiful, picturesque symbiotic relationship between formal sport use & green open space for the community that is considerate of residential needs & impacts.</p> <p>Inclusion of a synthetic hockey turf will disrupt this balance based on the size, space & scale of the infrastructure required. There is no precedent for a hockey turf facility on an oval of this size in the state-for good reason, it does not suit the residential zoning, and in particular for ToVP- the shortage of green open space.</p> <p>Please-I urge councillors to support option 3 of the masterplan process, preserving this for future increases of population to the town.</p>	Noted	N
1582	<p>My family runs a business in ToVP and we use this oval regularly after work to take our dogs, children & mix with friends.</p> <p>I am strongly opposed to options 1 & 2 based on installation of a synthetic hockey turf. I do not believe this meets the town's objectives of being sustainable e.g. with their town's climatic action plan. There is also a shortage of open space in the town, to be magnified by an increase in population. Reduction of this oval size will destroy the serenity, disrupt negatively to surrounding residents, & split or relocate a childrens sporting code-which already justifies its presence there based solely on the fact it utilises the oval to full capacity.</p> <p>I urge councillors to preserve junior sports, our limited green space & show considration to residents-as has done in the past with previous ovals discounted, and support only option 3 of the masterplan.</p>	Noted	N
1583	<p>Do not agree with or support fenced synthetic hockey turf due to displacement of an existing sports club where no alternative has been found, financial costs and unjustified expense of the hockey turf, loss of mature trees and bird habitat, non-sustainability and urban heat effects of turf materials, loss of public use of area that becomes locked up for exclusive use by the hockey club, light overspill, noise issues, parking issues, loss of adjacent property values, no justification or need for additional synthetic turf in our area, no business case for synthetic turf facility, impacts on community health and wellbeing due to loss of large open spaces (which are under-represented in the ToVP).</p>	Noted	N

1584	It is vital to the development of junior hockey in the Victoria Park area that our players have access to turf to be competitive with other suburbs and states	Noted	N
1585	Do not agree with or support fenced synthetic hockey turf due to displacement of an existing sports club where no alternative has been found, financial costs and unjustified expense of the hockey turf, loss of mature trees and bird habitat, non-sustainability and urban heat effects of turf materials, loss of public use of area that becomes locked up for exclusive use by the hockey club, light overspill, noise issues, parking issues, loss of adjacent property values, no justification or need for additional synthetic turf in our area, no business case for synthetic turf facility, impacts on community health and wellbeing due to loss of large open spaces (which are under-represented in the ToVP).	Noted	N
1586	<p>I oppose options 1 & 2 and only support option 3. This oval is completely unsuitable for hockey synthetic turf infrastructure that is fenced and restricted to public-who will have to pay to use it. And what would they use it for? To fragment a kids sporting club, negative impact to residents, take away valuable green space as well as have significant negative environmental and heat impacts-all to provide a want for one sporting code (there is no evidenced need based on numerous independent reports)-I find, disappointing.</p> <p>I urge councillors to please support option 3 as it is the fairest to all the community-sport and non formal sport related.</p>	Noted	N
1587	Save the green open space please	Noted	N
1588	A hockey turf is vital to equalise development opportunities for young players in Victoria Park area.	Noted	N
1590	I would like to support the development of a turf for the hockey club. I was very disappointed that the Harold Rossiter site was not taken up for this. It is a very large space that would not have been significantly impacted by the turf.	Noted	N

1591	I have played and coached and Vic Park football club and Carlisle cricket club for the last 6 years. As a junior coach at Vic park footy club I can see how important community sport especially footy is to the kids. There is over 500 young kids who all love playing football and the fact that it is even being considered to take that away from them makes me extremely upset. This is a proud club with a large number of good volunteers who all just want to see the kids enjoying themselves and staying active which is what it is all about. It would be a real shame to see Higgins park and Vic Park Footy Club being take over by hockey.	Thank you for your comment. Should option 2 be selected, the first action by the Town would be to confirm an alternative location for the Vic Park Raiders Football Club. It is not the intention of this masterplan for the club to be taken over. However, the concern regarding any potential relocation is understood.	N
1592	This existing park is a central for immediate residents.	Noted	N
1593	I strongly object to closing up parkland utilised by older and younger locals. Common sense should prevail.	Noted	N
1596	Want public open space Dont want strong lights	Noted	N
1598	I am concerned about global warming. This should be everyones main focus	Noted	N
1602	The oval should be left alone as if for the community to use. A number sporting clubs use the oval, whether be for games or meeting place. The local community to use it for exercise, for families. The idea of artificial surface does not do much except for wasting water. Leave alone with grass, trees for the existing sports club.	Noted	N
1603	Tree removal x noise x open space reduction x shade reduction x	Noted	N
1605	Open space is what we all need. Not a hockey field plus leave old growth trees alone.	Noted	N

1607	There is enough of our Perth City being degraded and damaged	Noted	N
1611	I strongly oppose and fenced synthetic hockey facility additional parking. Do not agree with playground being nearer to the Playfield St verge area. Dangerous. Verge parking basketball court too close to residents in sporting configuration opt. 1 & 2 I strongly oppose. Strongly support opt 3 as it still has the green space. Less disruption and over crowding & also a lot of cover.	Noted	N
1613	Town needs more public open space. Synthetic turf and massive lighting structure are environmental	Noted	N
1618	save the space	Noted	N
1620	I have lived here since 1955 and I don't want to put up with the noise and lights that would come with a fenced hockey turf as they play at night and its already loud enough during the day. We want to keep the open areas so kids to play. We need more open spaces.	Noted	N
1635	My home overlooks Higgins Park and the proposal will effect my view, the noise levels and my general enjoyment of the park	Noted	N
1636	My two grandsons play with the Vic Park Raiders and go to Millen Primary School.	Noted	N
1644	I do not believe that a synthetic turf would value add to this park instead it would have terrible impacts to the environment, residents and the remaining open space. Please protect this precious park by opposing the turf and choosing option 3.	Noted	N
1653	I am all for making the other end of Playfield Street being blocked off and made into a nature walking, activity setting as there is a lot of young families in this area also with dogs which will enjoy the space greatly. I do not want the hockey stadium in front of my home as I love seeing all the birds etc.	Noted	N
1657	Why ruin such a beautiful park.	Noted	N
1659	I do not support artificial fenced hockey turf. It's such a nice big oval that kids and families enjoy.	Noted	N

1660	I strongly oppose the idea of hockey turf outside my house, at the same time I support the idea of closing Playfield St close to the school. Hoping with these changes we do not lose the dog park especially for the elderly with dogs finds it handy to exercise their pets. I am hoping with these changes the intention is to better the life style and the environment of this area.	Noted	N
1662	Keep public open spaces = fresh green grass & trees always preferable over synthetic turf.	Noted	N
1664	'- No to artificial turf taking up open space. - Junior football club was there first. - Fencing is ugly - Leave open spaces	Noted	N
1669	I don't think it makes much sense destroying so much green open space and dislocating so many other communities.	Noted	N
1670	In favour of green open space Junior football has been an integral community sporting activity for over 40 years. This activity is important to young people in the area. There is an astro turf at Curtin! Why take away this open space to favour a few.	Noted	N
1672	It seems pointless to replace a park that can be multi functional with a synthetic hockey turf that can only be used for hockey. Whilst there is a fully functional hockey stadium at Curtin Stadium. The hockey turf would replace the entire football and cricket season which would force them to relocate.	Thanks for your comment. To clarify, option 1 includes the synthetic hockey turf, as well as football and cricket facilities, so all sports could operate at Higgins Park in some capacity in this option. In option 2 and 3, an additional cricket oval has been added, meaning this would still remain as the summer use.	N

1673	<p>Synthetic turf is not natural contributor to landfill at end of useful life. Contributes/traps heat and has high environmental impacts.</p> <p>The open space as it is actually encourages community interaction and health. Hockey ground is actually loud and doesn't encourage families to visit the park.</p>	Noted	N
1674	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> '- Keep access from Hill View Terrace - Keep Playfield St as a THOROUGHFARE but optimise the parking in the street - Please include some disabled bays for parking near the facilities - NO ASTRO TURF please - If possible, save the 2 big trees that are about 65 y.o. - No stairs and all walkways suitable for wheelchairs (pushed + electric), walkers, frames, prams + marked lines for 2 way traffic - Lots of benches in "shaded" areas but please with seat higher off the ground for we oldies! - (Like the look of the amphitheatre behind RSL) - Also my balcony overlooks the playing field - don't want to look out at ASTRO TURF! 	Noted	N
1678	(SAVE OUR PARK)	Noted	N
1679	I with my dog, enjoy the open green space	Noted	N

1680	<p>Public Submission on advertised draft Higgins Park Masterplan, and Playfield Reserve.</p> <p>Hello Town of Victoria Park organisation, Council, and public.</p> <p>That sporting fields component needs proper future redevelopment, and it must include a hockey synthetic turf playing field.</p> <p>I have seen the draft plans, and read the documents. The case for hockey turf inclusion is sound and most appropriate.</p> <p>In late 2017, Town of Victoria Park Council destroyed a very good opportunity for Victoria Park Hockey Club synthetic turf at Rossiter Reserve. That well-participated hockey club wasn't left with much opportunity after that to secure a 'home turf' in Town of Victoria Park boundary. They have tried for decades, and explored 'other opportunities' yet result still is zero. This appears to be their last (and only) opportunity. Local government authority Town of Victoria Park needs to realise that, and not be fooled into thinking another opportunity will arrive for the hockey club. It won't.</p> <p>The critics (NO say'ers) out there are trying to claim of an 'opportunity with South Perth', and 'provision/opportunity with Curtin University', 'opportunity with City of Belmont' 'opportunity at Queens Park Open Space'. The critics are wrong.</p> <p>Commonwealth Hockey Stadium (at Bentley Tech Park) has two synthetic turfs, operates at full capacity, AND is the home to both mens and womens national sides. Additionally overseas teams often base themselves there when visiting/touring Australia. Additionally there is adult (and possibly veteran) WA State Teams every year too. Note: Many of the WA State youth teams don't have availability to train there.</p> <p>Even if more turf was added at Bentley Tech Park, its availability would be soaked up the National and State Teams anyway. Also the wealthy Curtin University has consistently tried to reduce its 'non-core' offerings at its site in the past two decades. They prefer sports fields, pools, gyms etc to be located 'off-campus'. ie. In the surrounding local governmental areas.</p> <p>How often is it that Western Australia gets to secure (and retain) the home training base for a</p>	Noted	N
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<p>major sport? Extremely rare. Yet Perth and HockeyWA have managed to hold and keep the national teams (mens, womens) based here/Commonwealth Hockey Stadium. Note: They continually have to fight off other bidding State cities such as Brisbane and Sydney. These are Olympic teams, competing internationally.</p> <p>The draft Masterplan comment time period. It should have been six weeks. I have been informed that Town of Victoria Park internal engagement team made the decision to increase from 3 weeks to 4 weeks based on school holidays occurring. I have a message for that 'internal engagement staff team': You have got it completely wrong! You are out of touch, and have mis-managed another consultation time period. It seems as though some staff in Town of Victoria Park are in a rush to launch 'public comment', right from the point at which it was approved for public consultation –15/9/2020 Ordinary Council Meeting. Clearly the public needs to have all their content lined up prior to a Council Item approval otherwise it is well & truly a race. Easy for those who are retired, semi-retired, or income-safe, etc. More difficult for those who have to work, don't get to choose their work hours, AND who don't have access to a computer (to review the documents, AND type up.) Never ever should you have set a major draft Masterplan to end 5pm on a Tuesday Council Meeting night! Did someone not realise that maybe the public might have to prepare, do, and show up at that (October 2020 Ordinary Council) Meeting to participate on any of the listed agenda items. Did anyone realise those implications?</p> <p>Additionally, the September 2020 Ordinary Council Meeting had a lot of questions, deputations, and discussions on 'Higgins Park Masterplan'. Therefore it would be reasonably expected the public would want to review the Minutes and the Webcast Audio to better understand what happened and what was going on. It is difficult to ask for time to listen to the audio, I know, I asked at the library and the Administration Centre. Library is limited by time use, computer availability, opening hours, and your availability to attend the library.</p> <p>To the Masterplan elements:</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted. This is why the public comment period was extended to four (4) weeks.</p>	
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<p>Are ok with Playfield Street being partially closed to traffic, allowing the link to the primary school. Somewhat support.</p> <p>Option 2 Higgins Park Playground is supported. Another benefit of Option 2.</p> <p>Sporting Configuration Options. Strongly support Option 2. Support Option 1. Strongly oppose Option 3. It is completely dangerous for Town of Victoria Park to go down the path of a complete football focus as stated.</p> <p>I am not affiliated with any sporting club. I associated 'tennis and cricket' with Higgins Park for the past few decades. Only realised there was Auskick there in past few years. Everyone knew 'Higgins Park tennis' in the '90s. I thought the Croquet Club had been moved to McMillian reserve.</p> <p>I travel by Higgins Park nearly every day. At nights, late nights as well, I walk by on Hillview Terrace. I was aware an initial informing consultation effort was being done in March 2020. I did not participate in any of it. It was a busy time period, plus was dealing with other Town of Victoria Park Council items, plus then Covid-19 shut down Perth, and access to libraries and Administration centres was cut. I always intended on participating when a draft Masterplan emerges for consultation.</p> <p>Let me make it clear, a hockey synthetic turf option/s emerged from the initial consultants' consultations WITHOUT any effort of myself. Totally independent of myself. I didn't make it emerge, it did so itself.</p> <p>Draft Masterplan Report: A multi-sport clubroom facility is overdue. To include any sport, including tennis, croquet, hockey, volleyball, athletics, etc. Agree with all ages fitness equipment. Agree with consolidation of play equipment.</p>	<p>Noted</p>	
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<p>Agree with removing grass from sloped boundary areas for vegetation, soil, garden beds.</p> <p>Page 4. Concerned “unfeasible” being used to void hockey (by some). ie. Void hockey gets you increased Aussie Rules football attention.</p> <p>Worried “tree canopy” being used as a buzzword.</p> <p>Page 4, Background. Stage 4 Public Comment. I see that as public comments in, Masterplan finalised. That is the options refined by the public submissions feedback. Finalised masterplan and public comments presented to Council Members for decision.</p> <p>Higgins Park is one of “main formal sporting facilities”. So let’s get the ‘sports’ right first, then the other elements.</p> <p>Page 13, Option 1. Query on who gets the revenue from additional tenant at RSL building? Is it to Town of Victoria Park?</p> <p>Page 16, Option 2. Issue with wording of top right table answer. Don’t blame hockey. Blame cricket, tennis, croquet. Unfair for (Consultant) to attribute sole blame on hockey. Lots of positives to Option 2. Parking is ok, new shared-use building. Function room to hire out. Better irrigation, drainage. Cricket benefits too as stated.</p> <p>Page 19, Option 3. Description really is offering a carrot to Aussie rules football. No wonder their attempts to get all other options thrown out of public consideration. This option increases parking as well. More or less states retention of current existing building, renovate, or extend.</p> <p>Page 25 Staging and costing. All three options are costly. Yet they probably deliver GST to WA, and generate local jobs. Clearly CCTV is included to catch the hoons, AND deter vandals. Often fences exist to keep the off-road motorcycles etc out.</p>	<p>This would depend on the lease arrangement determined with the RSL and an additional tenant.</p>	
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<p>Option 2 is reasonable, AND is less cost than Option 1.</p> <p>Overall on the draft Masterplan:</p> <p>Thankfully a 'Victoria Park Hockey club' turf option has emerged from a playing fields Masterplan.</p> <p>It is totally appropriate to have two hockey options for turf field included in the Masterplan process.</p> <p>Option 2 is totally ok.</p> <p>I don't see any benefit in Option 3.</p> <p>Why not tell the male-dominated sports of cricket and Aussie rules football to go and 'independently investigate potential partnerships with educational facilities'?</p> <p>Dare say they would have it far easier, BECAUSE nearly every school built in the past 100 years has had an "oval" built on it.</p> <p>It is an unfair, burdensome condition that seems to be only applied to 'hockey'.</p> <p>WA and Australian sports Hall of Famer 'Ric Charlesworth. Nedlands' had a Letter to the Editor included in The West Australian newspaper last year stating he finds it extremely difficult to get WA local governments to implement, deliver new synthetic hockey fields in Perth metro. ie. He was saying it is plain unfair (when compared to certain other sports).</p> <p>The male-dominated AFL Inc (expanded VFL Inc) with its billion dollar television/pay-television revenues, buys support by always giving out free footballs, shirts, hats to 'the kids'. Included in these planned promotional campaigns are regular player visits. (They seem to have a 'gold pass' into primary schools). Those players are paid to be there to (wink wink) 'develop the game', be brand (AFL, commercial television, West Coast Eagles, Fremantle Dockers) ambassadors. Possibly they also hand out free Hungry Jacks vouchers.</p> <p>The AFL is well-known also for commercial arrangements with gambling companies, who co-advertise with them on television.</p> <p>Women's AFLW is merely a publicity tool for the men's AFL, there is barely any games, and they didn't have a AFLW grand final this year. It is merely treated as an entrée to the AFL main</p>	<p>Noted</p>	
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course buffet.

Auskick is merely a commercial arm of the AFL to recruit, introduce, and divert youngsters to Channel 7, Fox Footy, AFL, and other commercially linked partners (bank, food, beverage companies, etc)

The AFL (...and Auskick) buys participants. Hockey doesn't do that.

The Victoria Park Hockey Club should not be apologising for its decades-long turf request. Last time I checked, the billion-dollar Burswood Stadium has had football, cricket, and soccer. Not hockey.

Not sure of the 'revenue raising' assertion by sports at particular grounds, sites in Victoria Park. It reeks of some sort of monopoly that is unfair. No sport has 'cash generation right' at Higgins Park.

Where do the senior football teams play, Or do they just evaporate away? Like a passing fad. Unlike hockey, an adult sport, and a veteran sport.

Senior football (Canning, South Perth, Vic Park) at Wyong Reserve Bentley. Plus at Lathlain Oval. Plus some senior amateur football at Carlisle Reserve.

Male Aussie-rules football has had a far too easy ride in the Western Australia (and Perth) sporting landscape for 120 years. The provision of grounds, funding & maintenance of those grounds –by the WA State Government.

It has been so difficult for other sports to get attention, funding and facilities, grounds –from the WA State Governments and local governmental authorities.

The east-coast(of Australia) AFL Incorporated ('Australian Rules Football') uses a carnivore strategy to other sports in Australia. They want all the TV coverage, increasing & greater television money deals, plus more newspaper sports pages.

All the other sports in Australia are prey to this. We know (FACT) when the TV rights deals went upward (2001. joint TEN/Nine News National, and FOXTEL), little money was left for commercial television to pay for & televise other sports (especially March–September).

Eddie Maguire, and senior AFL figures admitted this over a decade ago. They saw the benefit as "More money into (AFL/VFL) football, bigger football departments," more assistant coaches,

<p>more football-only sportswriters and articles dominating State newspapers.</p> <p>And this was when there was no AFLW league. (Which the AFL delayed, delayed again in 2014, ... 2018 start the AFLW competition.) They view it as a complementary publicity to their national AFL brand. (Everyone knows 18 AFL clubs, 10 concentrated in Victoria is impractical. Yet in late 2019 the AFL sings out, 'A Womens AFLW team for every club'. What a repeat mistake.)</p> <p>As for the WAFL (WA Football League) competition: Decades ago they floated regional/country teams to be the evolution of the competition. Yet I know (from asking 2016–2019) that WAFC (Western Australian Football Commission) has shut the door in the face of regional cities Geraldton and Bunbury. (How do you think those WA regional areas feel like? Not positive.) Yet if you look at the recent WAFC 2020 sales document, they clearly want a stranglehold on all inner Perth sporting fields. With all to be 'pillar supports' to their inner WAFL competition licence holders. For the WAFC to attempt to own, 'decide' etc of Higgins Park sporting fields is Greed. That is what it is. WAFC August 2020 34 page sales document is merely to keep the rusty-old inner-suburban WAFL clubs afloat and relevant.</p> <p>I had heard years before, 'we'll have WAFL female teams', better pathways for regional talent into the WAFL teams. We are turning our (WAFL)clubs into community facilities, to bring the public in (then direct them to the Club).</p> <p>How disappointing the two main commercial news television stations in Perth (7Perth news, Nine news Perth) were in April, May 2020, each weeknight presenting another lengthy Aussie Rules football story on 'speculation of when the AFL season might start'. So many TV reports generated every weeknight. Why not talk of other sports?</p> <p>To the 15/9/2020 Ordinary Council Meeting. Many speakers on Higgins Park. Fortunate to be in attendance to hear.</p> <p>Deputation by (name removed by ToVP).</p>	<p>Noted</p>	
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<p>In refute (of him): There are High Voltage structures/lines along Hillview Tce. Let's use net fences. I also wonder if (name removed by ToVP) uses fencing at his residential address, or has used in the past.</p> <p>He avoided mentioning examples of inner city local governments Nedlands, Claremont, Cambridge, Subiaco, Vincent, who all have plans to implement new turfs.</p> <p>Note: HockeyWA 2009 facilities document is out-dated, not relevant. Particularly when Federal/State Governments have done huge sport spends since.</p> <p>Refute his 'seating' scare campaign.</p> <p>Deputation by (name removed by ToVP). Refute his "only reasonable option" claim for Option 3. It is entirely reasonable for Options 1 and 2.</p> <p>False claims of the "wants of hockey".</p> <p>Very surprised by his assertion that junior football is the (Town of Victoria Park) Public Open Space Strategy. Never heard that in 2019.</p> <p>Is not 'one club to suit another'.</p> <p>Doubt validity of him stating there is no suitable alternative for the junior football club.</p> <p>False claims of what the community wants.</p> <p>Wrongly saying "green open space" several times. Is that devoid of trees?</p> <p>Wanted remove Options 1 and 2.</p> <p>Since when did football 'protect the Town's green open space'? Wrong.</p>	<p>Noted</p>	
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	<p>Plus it is not “wrecking a (his) club” by including hockey.</p> <p>Auskick is part of the promotional arm of the AFL. (name removed by ToVP) failed to mention that. It really is the key financial sustainability measure underneath ‘Auskick’ franchises, of which the Vic Park Raiders are one.</p> <p>Deputation by (name removed by ToVP) and (name removed by ToVP).</p> <p>Really disheartening, disappointing to see two females speaking for Aussie-Rules Football, merely because they think it aids public open space provision. Don’t they get it, AFL and even Cricket Australia sees female participants as a novelty. They treat women as a novelty. Not seriously. Those sports are not for-females, so therefore those speakers are part of the (content removed by ToVP).</p> <p>Where were these females (and the other male deputation speakers) in October, December 2019 for the Public Open Space Strategy? They weren’t there, they didn’t care, they didn’t participate, and they did not put in submissions. Yet now they spout the ‘POSS’ as a reason to their propaganda?</p> <p>In response to Friends of Higgins Park deputation: They took many ‘facts’ out of context. Their whole speech was to anti-hockey. Factually they were wrong time and time again. Sometimes the best propaganda is slick & professional. Their computer slideshow, photos, and colour use, was very professional.</p> <p>“Only Option 3.” What an embarrassment for females.</p> <p>They oppose fencing. They make claims of weekdays afternoon students “retreating home with mum & dad”. (Possibly in their households, yet quite discriminatory with other real households). Linking in to the dog ownership group. Dare I say, often a luxury item group. Pets are luxury items.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	
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<p>Claim of 900 don't want. Not sure what those two were telling them.</p> <p>Stating "(Options 1, 2) inaccessible impacts to the community and Vic Park Raiders." False.</p> <p>Wrongly labelling hockey options as 'limited shared-use facility'. 'restrictive fencing, barriers, netting and the inaccessible, private facility, reduces the recreational offering. Lied, lies, and more lies.</p> <p>Exaggerating 'a reduction in public open space', 'loss of trees', 'loss of spaciousness'. Refers 'hockey facility' has the 'negative impact on local community'.</p> <p>Fail to mention that Playfield Reserve is included in Public Open Space. Completely ignore that adjacent space, and possible improvements.</p> <p>They outline how 'Option 3 clearly aligns with the Objectives of the Town's Higgins Park Masterplan'. False. Lie. They mention "expansion of cricket" and "facilitating the growth of football". Don't they know there is a billion-dollar industry already doing that. Cannot believe their advocacy for those two sports, considering their (content removed by ToVP). Female participants are a smokescreen for more sponsorship funding, and hiding the 'male attitudes and cultural behaviours' entrenched in those controversial sports (Hint).</p> <p>'cramped, forced, and fenced' More emotional language. False.</p> <p>False claims of 'optimal use' 'available evidence' and financial burden'. Etc</p> <p>'equitable access' Tell that to female hockey players.</p> <p>Falsely using out-of-context referencing to the Public Open Space Strategy for East Victoria Park, and St James. East Victoria Park is not deficient in that southern section of the suburb. St James is provided for at that northern boundary.</p>		
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<p>Falsely throwing in 'Urban Forrest Strategy'.</p> <p>Final statement of saying 'Friends of Higgins Park ONLY support Option 3.' I disagree there, as Option 3 is not reasonable, not justifiable, not defensible (for Council Members).</p> <p>Collectively that was a polished effort of lies, and narrow viewpoints, and suggestive buzzwords, mis-information.</p> <p>To the 15/9/2020 Council Agenda Item 12.8.</p> <p>Page 1, references to "main formal sporting facilities", "large land size", "future direction", "opportunities".</p> <p>Page 2, #2. "2018 Higgins Park Master Plan project identified ...top five Council priority projects". I doubt that identification was for 'football focus (2020)'. #3. "Recreational Needs Assessment (RNA)." Plain language, Hockey needs a turf. #4(f). For a district sports fields, requires views, aspirations and user needs of the surrounding district community. #5. Optimise recreational opportunities. Consolidation of built infrastructure.</p> <p>Page 3. #6.(a). Option 3 is very doubtful on that. (b) Option 3 clearly doesn't achieve that.</p> <p>Option 2 does meet all the C(a to e) objectives.</p> <p>Strategic Alignment. CL02. Failure of draft Masterplan public comment period ...for an extended period of time. October 2020!</p> <p>Economic. EC02. Higgins Park services district level formal recreation.</p> <p>Page 4. Environment. EN05. "Maximum recreational value is obtained". Hockey achieves that. EN06. "modernise and widen the versatility of the offering." Again, the inclusion of hockey gives that.</p> <p>Social. S02. Not sure broad community engagement took place at the commencement of the</p>	<p>Noted</p>	
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<p>project. Clearly 'anti hockey turf' lobby groups/individuals put themselves into the reference groups and workshop groups. Therefore hyped claims of anti-hockey from DRG shows it was compromised by a socio-political moment of several narrow viewpoints. Also on Page 15 is the 'six themes' FROM the DRG. Clearly some members were trying to talk out hockey. Trying to make it ineligible, (later in the year).</p> <p>Page 7. Submission Summary. I would say the stated 545 submissions (March –August 2020) were bloated. Appearing more substantial than they really were.</p> <p>Page 8. Western Australian Football Commission. Clarification, the August 2020 WAFC facilities Plan was primarily for WAFL grounds, AND trying to get the WA State Government to pay for new facilities. In fact the main goal by WAFC was to get a new 'home office' built for the WAFC (paid by WA State Government). It was a selfish 34 page document. A colourful, promotional booklet of greed, and domination of metropolitan Perth. Plus it defines West Australian football underneath its 9 team(WAFL licence) structure. It's goal is to attract additional Federal funding, WA State Government funding, and local governments funding. ie. The public is to pay no matter where you live in WA.</p> <p>Page 9. Do not believe the claims stated of significant reduction in community sport participation for Vic Park Raiders if Option 2 implemented. Totally false assertion by the Agenda Item Report Author/s. WAFL refers to 'AFL standards' (their main income stream). Disagree your final listed point, The WAFC would be happy to be involved in the project on an ongoing basis ...would explore the ability to contribute funds to the project via the AFFF fund. The Australian Football Facilities Fund exists to secure funding from "non-football stakeholders and businesses" to Aussie Rules Football. With "upto \$100 000 per project". WAFC also has a plan for WALGA, where the WAFC wants to take over from Local Governments on planning (parks/ovals). Clearly your September 2020 Council Item Report Authors (name removed by ToVP), and (name removed by ToVP) did not understand what was being referred to by the WAFC, and the implications for Higgins Park District sporting fields. Let alone research the finer details of what WAFC claims.</p>	<p>545 submissions were received in the Community Use survey.</p> <p>This text is the feedback received from the West Australian Football Commission</p>	
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HockeyWA. Significant number of female senior teams, and female junior teams.
Is reviewing its facilities plan currently with State Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries to update the plan. We know hockey is high participation sport, all ages, and the Perth population has increased.

Friends of Higgins Park. Starts this year.
Reeks of Friends of Rossiter Reserve people 2017.
Merely to interfere, use ploys, to stop hockey turf in 2020.

Page 10. Victoria Park Raiders Junior Football Club.
Disagree with their "only reasonable option" claim.
False that they claim the viability of the club is at stake. Completely false.
False for them to claim 'weakening one club to suit another'. Simply not true.
(Plus Victoria Park Panthers hockey has been weakened over the decades by inaction by Town of Victoria Park.)
Also is false to claim a hockey turf on Higgins Park means nowhere in Town of Victoria Park with enough space for that junior football club.

Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club.
"Their members pay to train".
Preferred scenario of Option 2.
Notes the Town of Victoria Park have committed to finding an alternative location for the junior football club. Lucky football club.

Page 13. Are only estimate costings. Plus there is to be a stage construction.

Page 16.
#14 (b) disagree with 'dog walkers' being mentioned here. Unfair statement.
(c). Note: Grass is not native. Grass is an artificial substance. Since when was lawn the norm?
Plus the Higgins Park sports fields have all been affected by man-made earthworks long ago.
ie. It was never 'flat' to begin with. Humans altered the entire layout (already).

#15. Option 2 commentary. In response, start trying Town of Victoria Park and Junior Football Club. Worry your commentary is to be used as a reason by certain Council Members to reject

<p>inclusion of a hockey turf.</p> <p>Page 17. Option 2 clearly frees up Fletcher Park for other sports. Clearly cricket clubs get better arrangement with Option 2. Bookings. Schools can book the synthetic turf. Potential users of the turf listed on Page 18.</p> <p>Page 18. I doubt this Option 3 concept paper, reeks of WAFC sales messaging they have been using to disguise commercial realities of their WAFL licensed structure. #17. Option 1 and 2 deliver potential hockey summer season AND its revenue.</p> <p>Page 20, #20. No major environmental impact. #21. Retractable netting.</p> <p>Page 22. #23 new turfs for less heat and less/no water.</p> <p>#25. Disagree that any of these options materialise. Already the golf club are trying to limit the indoor recreation site.</p> <p>Why not talk of Additional Junior football sites? An omission by your authors.</p> <p>Page 23. Disagree with your tick in the top right corner. This has already been done. There are no locations left in/or neighbouring LGA areas.</p> <p>#27. Advertise the Masterplan to the wider community to gain valuable public comment.</p> <p>Page 24, #28. Proposed four weeks from 21/9, Wrong. When will the realities of the public be taken into context? Staff don't, and Council Members are often busy with a bucketload of other items (more costly, more expensive, more important) on Agenda night.</p> <p>#29. The refined Masterplan and outcome</p> <p>End of Agenda Item discussion.</p> <p>Also I must say that hockey is more environmental that Aussie Rules football.</p>	<p>Noted</p>	
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Hockey is 'eco-friendly', and encourages fitness, and lifestyle of its players and spectators. Compare that to junior football (A real headache of bad publicity for the WAFC in 2019).

Look at the carbon footprint 'AFL players' their national teams, the annual overseas trips publicised (by the press) at the end of each season. The mega-homes of the players, etc etc. (We've all seen the TV stories, and the newspaper pictures and stories of the past decade).

I currently don't play any sports. I am not a member of Victoria Park Hockey Club (and never have been).

Yet years ago I did play hockey (juniors, seniors) for a different Perth club, that too had no home turf field. I know the frustration and realities of that. (Talk in the '90s, late '90s, Yet over 2 decades nothing either).

I do remember playing against Vic Park Hockey Club at Rossiter Reserve, and later at Fletcher Park.

Currently I reside streets away in the catchment of Higgins Park district sporting fields.

To the Council Members who might discount (City of Canning) residents who live within the 1 kilometre radius, they might be participating in Victoria Park sporting clubs, they spend monies and time within Town of Victoria Park. They keep many aspects of Town of Victoria Park area commercially viable.

How often does a women's national sporting team have more awareness, popularity than men's national teams? Not very often. Quite rare.

Yet Australian Hockeyroos (Olympic team) enjoyed massive recognition in 1988-2000, and beyond. Often under the brand name 'Telstra Hockeyroos'.

They were (and possibly) still are, more 'known' than the National men's team.

Their players did not get rich(/wealthy) playing in the Olympics and World Championships.

The Australian female national hockey team was in many years the most popular Olympic team in Australia. (It clearly was between them and swimming across many years).

Everyone knows that Olympic success came from Western Australia with the many WA 1988 team members. There was a lot of State publicity.

Therefore why would any Town of Victoria Park Council ever want to deny female participants

at/in Victoria Park Hockey Club the pathway to progress to turf games, state games, and national teams? Why? For every female aged 10 years to 22 years for example, they can progress (via turf game)ability to playing in World Cups, World Championships, and Olympics. Not every sport can deliver that.
Male Victoria Park hockey participants can also have that pathway, YET only if turf is provided. Otherwise they leave, and go to other 'home turf' clubs. That has happened.

I urge Council Members not to wrongly view 'Option 1' as a compromise option and thereby vote that option. Revitalisation, realisation, modernisation is needed. Including a hockey turf means the best option is Option 2.
Put the State politics, and local politics to the side, and allow Option 2. The best option for the sporting fields of Higgins Park, for Town of Victoria Park. It will inject energy, generate revenue, and revitalise the active recreation possibilities. Modernising and encouraging fitness activity in the evenings.

Some in Victoria Park Hockey Club need to stop apologising for sound efforts to build a turf.

The greed AND lying shown by 'male-dominated junior football teams' across the suburbs to stifle, dominate, suffocate out other sports is unprecedented. In metropolitan Perth.

Hockey is a true male, female sport, an Olympic Sport, and has over 70 years co-participation, success, and strong participation in WA, Perth, and inner suburbs.

Aussie-rules Football seems to have an endless supply of funding from AFL Inc, huge television revenue, and all the promotional propaganda filtered down by WA Football League and AFL clubs, including Auskick.

Reality check, any junior football club: Elite level Aussie-Rules –only draft 188cm tall, vertical leaping 17 year-olds. Versus hockey which picks purely on talent, NOT sport-science computer measurements.

The Western Australian Football Commission stinks, and its male-enforced inner metro WAFL competition is not a true State competition.

Victoria Park Hockey Club has tried, waited patiently, and thoroughly deserves synthetic turf

fields for its all-ages, co-gender members.

Don't steal another opportunity away from them.

It is as if Victoria Park Panthers hockey club has been turned into travelling gypsies who cannot have a home (turf).

It is very reasonable to ask Victoria Park Raiders junior football club to move to another location. If Town of Victoria Park staff put time/effort in on this –a solution can be found for them to relocate. Stop allowing the critics to pretend it is impossible.

Not only consider Fletcher Park, but other parks, ovals, Kent Street High School, etc.

If 'Aussie-rules football lobby succeeds' with Option 3, then why don't you demolish the Somerset pool facility. It was a City of Perth legacy. Rebuild it elsewhere (McMillen precinct). Then place a hockey turf at Somerset Street. Advantage of having the only metro turf next to a rail station. That is a new rail station too, the Oats Street Station precinct. A real drawcard for hockey participants.

What other options are left?

Have the courage to see the future, and to give Victoria Park hockey its well earned place at Higgins Park.

Thankyou.

1681	<p>Playfield St, I think the youth zone concentrated on the north side is preferable. And most important, keeping the street open.</p> <p>Fred Bell Parade, keeping the street open and the parking in front of RSL seems sensible to me. Closing streets, pushing traffic down someone else St.</p> <p>Embankment Zone, my choice fits in with the street open and parking opposite RSL</p> <p>Park playground, I like the compact design which it does not impact on oval space</p> <p>Oval, don't like the idea of hockey plans, I think there is enough sport being played there. The local residents would not welcome the extra noise.</p>	Noted	N
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