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# BRONTE PARK BARBEQUES

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## CONSULTATION REPORT - MAY 2022

Waverley Council acknowledges the Bidjigal and Gadigal people, who traditionally occupied the Sydney Coast and we acknowledge all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders both past and present.

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## Executive summary

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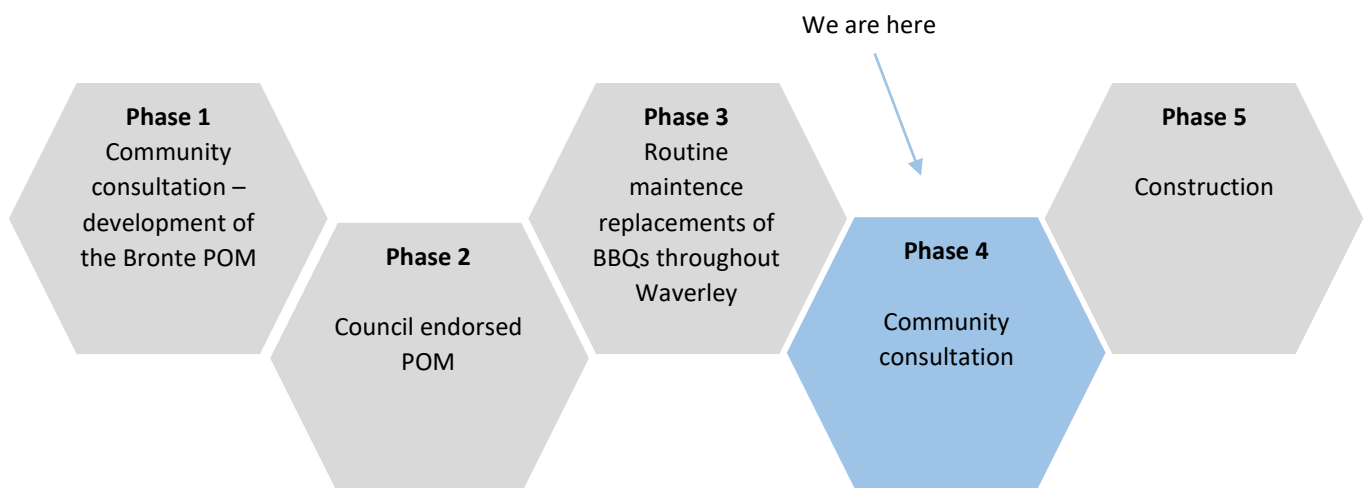
There were 464 community interactions with the communications for consultation and 17 people provided feedback via the Have Your Say survey.

77% of people were supportive of the locations suggested by Council Officers and it is recommended to continue with the installation of the BBQs.

## Background

The BBQs at Bronte Beach need to be replaced but before they were installed, council officers were instructed to consult the community on the proposed locations.

In 2017, the placement of the BBQs was consulted on during the preparation of the Bronte Park and Beach Plan of Management. This process identified issues with the current locations, tested ideas to replace the large barbecues with smaller units and then relocate them around the picnic shelters. The results showed 72% of the community were supportive to relocate the BBQs.



## Consultation approach and objectives

The community engagement ran between 26 April to 24 May 2022. This phase of the consultation was to confirm the locations. Council officers were guided by a Mayoral Minute for which stakeholders should be invited to provide feedback.

Consultation objectives:

- To provide the community and identified stakeholders with enough information on the proposed replacements for the BBQs in Bronte Park they can easily give Council feedback.
- Explain to the community how the decision was made up until this point and if there is anything else that should be taken into account.

## Engagement activities

A range of engagement activities were used to maximise the opportunity for community participation.

The engagement process aligned with 'inform and consult' on Waverley Council's adapted IAP2 model for community engagement. There were 464 community interactions with the communications for consultation.

Method	Overview	Date	Response
<b>Have Your Say website</b>	Council dedicated a Have Your Say page to the project.	26 April to 24 May 2022	220 visits
<b>Survey to identified stakeholders</b>	Council officers sent an email to three of the key contacts for the stakeholders identified in the Mayoral minute including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Bronte Surf Life Saving Club</li><li>- Bronte Boardriders</li><li>- Bronte Swim Clubs</li></ul>	26 April	No direct response <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- 3 x surf club members participated</li></ul>
<b>Precinct Committees – Bronte and Bronte Beach</b>	The consultation details were provided to both Bronte and Bronte Beach Precinct were emailed by the Community Liaison Officer	26 April	No requests to present A few questions came in
<b>Posters</b>	Placed around Bronte Park	WC 11 May	15 scans
<b>Media release</b>	Promoting the consultation – hosted on the website	WC 6 April	
<b>Social media posts (Instagram)</b>	Promoting purpose of consultation	30 April	1807 Reach 81 Likes 2 Comments
<b>Social media posts (Facebook)</b>	Promoting the consultation	30 April	1716 Reach 8 Engagements
<b>Online survey</b>	The online survey was hosted on Have Your Say.	26 April to 24 May	17 participants
<b>Waverley Weekly e-newsletter</b>	Second story in Waverley Weekly	28 April	7129 received 3381 (47.4%) opened 87 Clicks

<b>Engagement newsletter</b>	Lead story in the Have Your Say enews	8 April	7284 received 4252 (56%) opened
<b>Letter</b>	Letter was delivered to 1000 residents and included a QR code so it could be tracked.	WC 26 April	34 QR code scans

## Detailed results – Survey

Overall there were 220 visitors to the Have Your Say page and 17 participated in the survey.

### Proposed locations

The first three questions were focused on the locations suggested and the reasons they were chosen. 77% of participants supported the locations. Of those who were **not supportive** their reasons were:

- The BBQs lead to antisocial behaviour
- They are too close to the picnic huts
- This proposal suggest too few BBQs and should have more
- They should be clustered and not so close to huts

82% supported locating the BBQs near the huts and playground and 76% thought spreading them out was a good idea.

### Other feedback

#### Don't install them:

- They are only used by large groups of young people, not families.

#### Dogs:

- Dogs should be allowed on lead near at least one of the BBQs
- 2 x people said: enforce the offleash dogs in the park

#### BBQ locations:

- Place further away from specific huts
- 2 x people said: more BBQs near more huts
- BBQs should be nearth path
- Too close to playground

#### Look and feel:

- Don't make them stainless steel
- A generous hardstand around BBQ so the grass doesn't ware away
- The southernmost barbecue closest to Bronte Road has flooded badly during the recent rains. It takes a week or 2 to dry out after spell of rain. The slab level needs to be raised as well as the ground level immediately around the slab or this barbecue needs to be relocated to higher ground.
- Include shade for summer

#### Functionality:

- 30 minutes timelimit to allow more groups to share BBQs

### Demographics:

**Identification:** 16 identified as local residents, three were surf club members and one was a visitor.

**Age:** Four were born between 1980-1989, four between 1960-1969, two 1970-1979 and one 1950-1959.

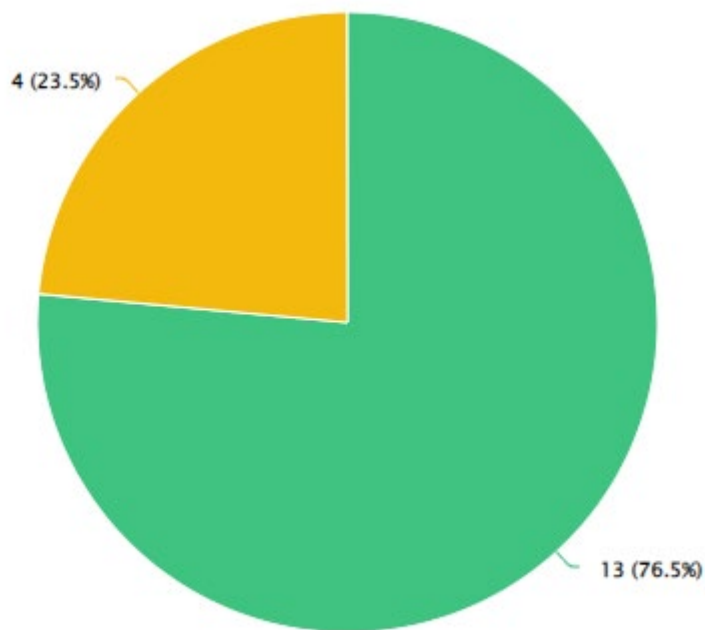
## Conclusion

The goal of the consultation was to determine whether the suggested locations suited community needs and if there was anything else that should be considered before they are installed.

The community feedback supports installing the BBQs in the recommended locations. Raising the platform of the BBQ closest to Bronte Rd could be considered due to signs of flooding.

## Appendix A – survey results

Do you support the proposed locations?

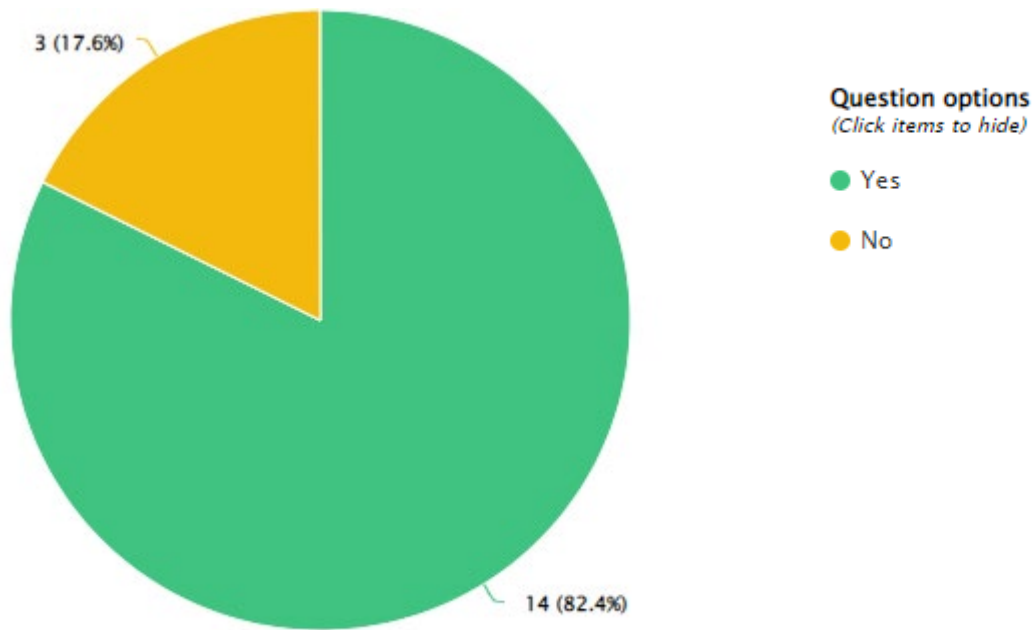


Question options  
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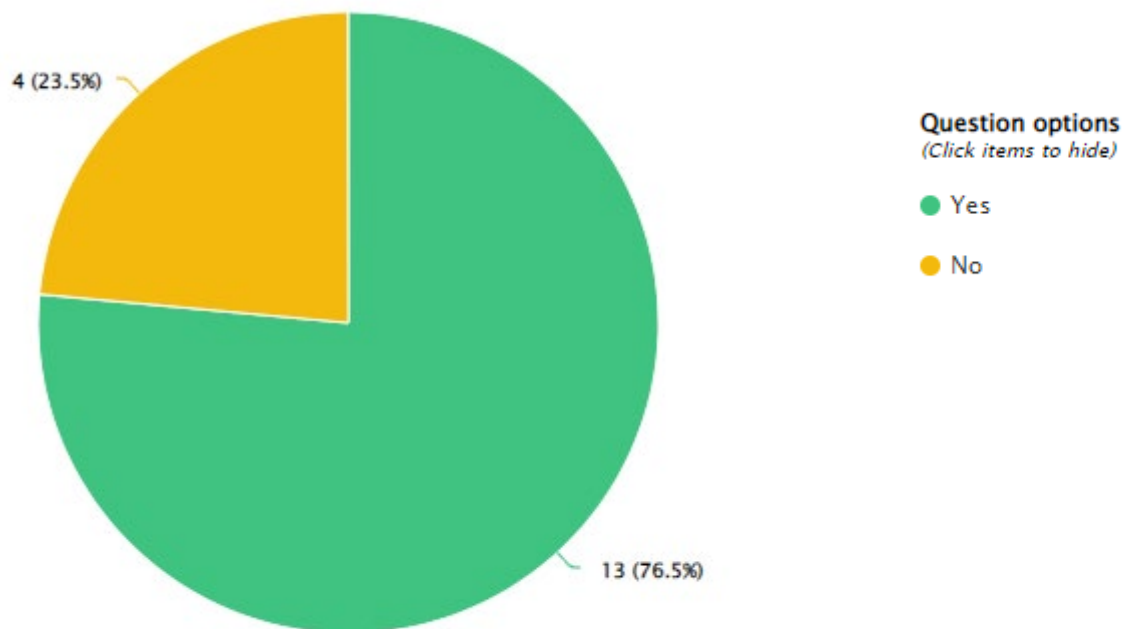
- Yes
- No

The proposed locations are based on the following assumptions. Please indicate if you support these assumptions.

BBQs located near to huts and the playspace

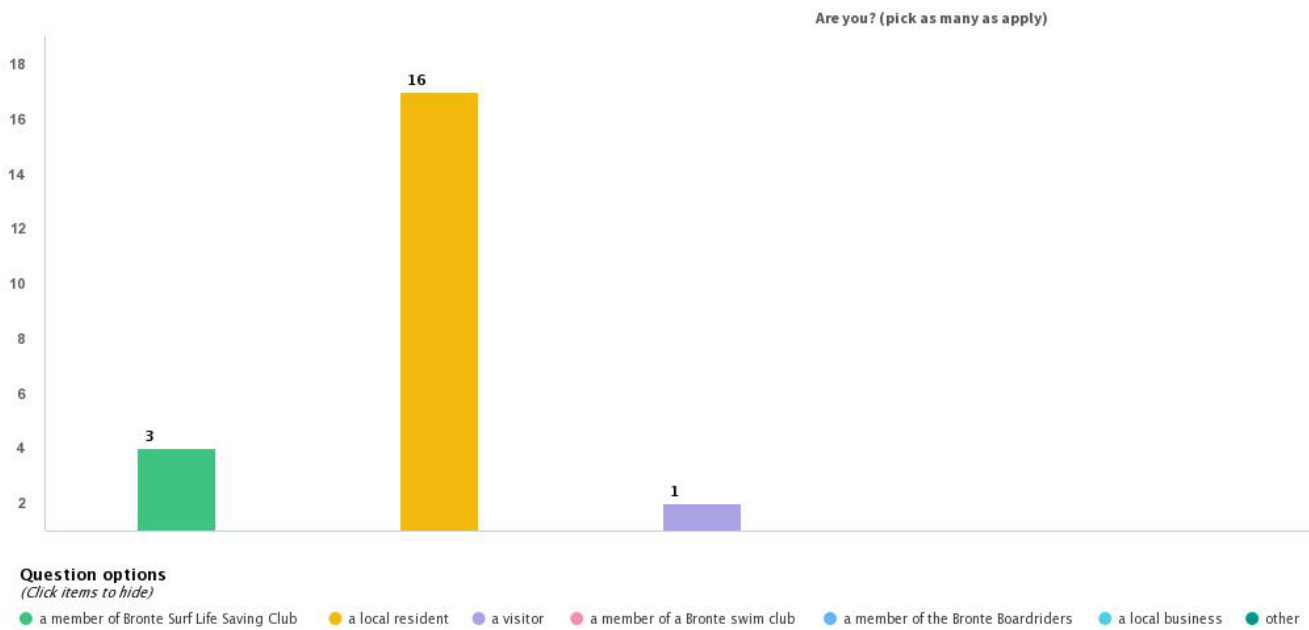


**Smaller BBQs but more of them (4) to spread crowds throughout park**



**How would you describe yourself?**





## Appendix B – Facebook posts



## Appendix C – Instagram posts

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## Appendix D – Waverley Weekly

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*Pictured: Artist Hales works on the Mencer mural to the delight of visitors to Bondi last week.*

### World Surfing Champion Pauline Mencer honoured at Bondi Beach

A mural celebrating 1993 World Surfing Champion and former Waverley resident Pauline Mencer has been unveiled at Bondi Beach. Mencer is the only person from Bondi to ever win a World Title but did not receive any prizemoney or sponsorship. The mural was painted by Canberra visual artist [Megan Hales](#) on the Bondi Beach Sea Wall.


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### Boot Factory restoration reaches one-year milestone

Our restoration of the much loved Boot Factory building in Spring Street, Bondi Junction, is only a few months away from completion. We're transforming the former shoe making factory, and the adjacent Mill Hill Centre, into a civic innovation hub.

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### Bronte Beach BBQ replacement

The BBQs at Bronte Beach need to be replaced. Before they are installed, we want to check if we have the locations right. Consultation open until 24 May.

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## Appendix E – Engagement e-newsletter

### PROJECTS OPEN FOR COMMUNITY INPUT

- Before we create the [Tamarama Park and Beach Plan of Management](#) we need to hear your feedback on the proposed ideas. Consultation open until 7 June.
- The [BBQs at Bronte Beach](#) need to be replaced. Before they are installed, we wanted to check if there is anything we should know. Consultation open 26 April to 24 May.
- We are seeking expressions of interest from local sustainability experts to become part of [Waverley's Sustainability Expert Advisory Panel](#) for one council term. Applications close 29 May.
- [A draft Code of Meeting Practice](#) containing mandatory provisions and some non-mandatory changes is on public exhibition until 15 June.
- When Council becomes the owner of a site, it must decide to classify the land as 'community' or 'operational' within three months of taking ownership. We are looking for feedback on our proposal to classify the 'land' which [Council owns at 87-99 Oxford Street, Bond Junction as 'operational'](#). The public exhibition will be open until 10 June.
- The draft [Disability Inclusion Action Plan](#) is out for public exhibition until 6 June.

## Appendix F – Letter drop map

