



PRE - DESIGN CONSULTATION REPORT

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KEY DEFINITIONS

Repeated terms and organisational acronyms used throughout this report are defined for clarity as follows:

WC - Waverly Council

LGA - Local Government Area

BJSP - Bondi Junior Skate Park

DATA HANDLING AND ANALYSIS

The data handling and analysis has been carried out by Convic. The workshops were designed to increase inclusiveness and generate data for analysis and develop informed design themes. All participants were initially informed of workshop objectives and how the information provided will then be used.

All responses are treated in confidence, to ensure the anonymity of respondents. In line with our privacy policy no identifying information is included with any responses for this report.

REPRESENTATION

The views collected in this report are not statistically validated, however they represent the views of some high user groups and nearby residents. Themes presented in this report are derived from workshop contributions.

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INTRODUCTION

The Bondi Junior Skate Park (BJSP) is being expanded as a unique, iconic and site responsive skate facility that aims to compliment the existing Bondi Skate Park. Its expansion aims to ensure that the facility continues to provide a world class facility for both current and future users and cater to all skill levels and wheel sports users whilst retaining its iconic status as a 'must ride' destination. Once developed, Bondi Skate Park will become a key node for the surrounding facilities of Waverley Council's existing recreational and public spaces and form a key social hub for the youth of Bondi and its wider community.

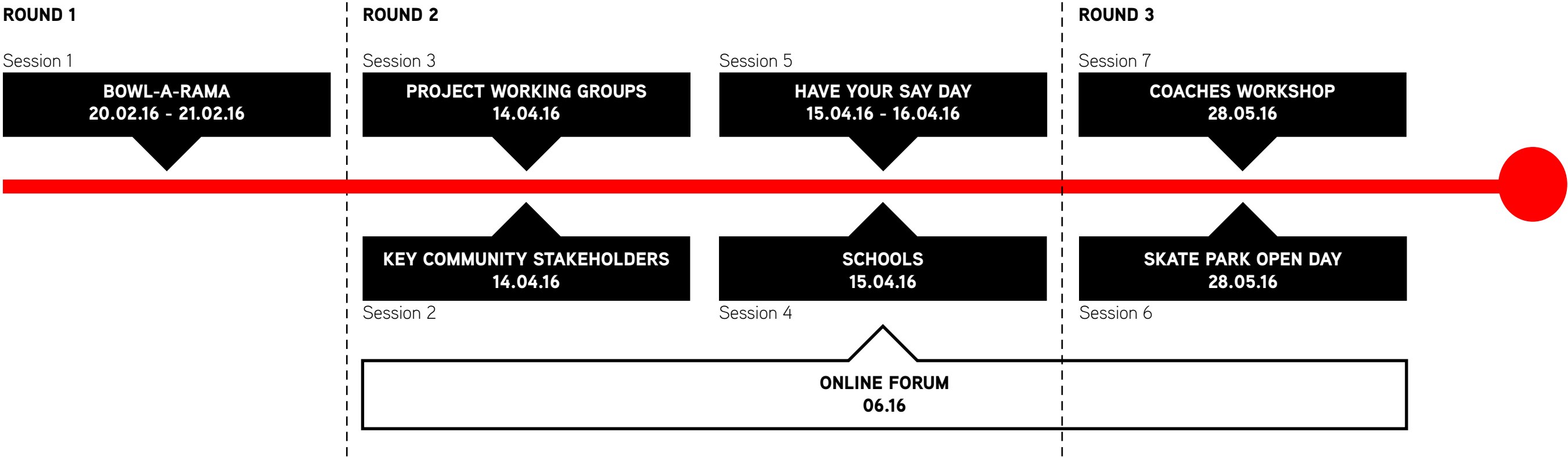


CONSULTATION OVERVIEW

The consultation process is an integral component of the development of the BJSP. In order to ensure the success and longevity of these key community assets it is essential to engage with the future users of the space. Through a combination of user group workshops, community meetings, surveys and forums the consultation process aims to empower youth and their communities to take stewardship and pride in their public spaces.

The time line below gives an overview of all the pre-design consultation sessions held between February and June of 2016. These have been broken down into three clear rounds based on the consultation time frames. Each round had an individual approach to ensure a broad and diverse group of stakeholders were reached. This approach penultimately defines a well rounded and community informed brief.

The following report outlines the pre-design community consultation process and criteria considered to create a successful junior skate park. It summarises the results and comments of each session, makes recommendations on the typology of the facility and creates a design vision for the BJSP. This strategic approach will define an informed conceptual response and design for the current community demand and future community needs.



2.0

ROUND 1 CONSULTATION

INTRODUCTION

The annual Bowl-a-rama skate competition offered a perfect opportunity for Convic to informally consult with amateur and professional local, national and international skaters.

The event is held between 20 - 21.02.16 and is the largest competition in Australia. Convic attended the event and distributed a questionnaire to attendees of the event to develop further understanding of user profiles and ideas around the existing skate park and proposed extension. In total 87 participants were consulted with.

The key results from the Questionnaire Survey as undertaken as part of the pre-design consultation are shown in the following tables. The key items raised include:

- Almost 50% of participants were from the Bondi area.
- Over 60% of participants ride a skateboard.
- The majority of participants were of an intermediated level, closely followed by beginners.
- Participants liked a mix of both bowl/transition style and street/plaza style.
- The majority of participants only visit the skate park on a yearly basis, coinciding with the Bowl-a-rama event.
- 40% of participants thought the space was ideal for events.
- The advanced bowl was the favourite element within the existing park.
- Many participants felt the park need more street obstacles.

Please refer to Appendix 2 for a further breakdown of the questionnaire results.



INTRODUCTION

Five formal consultation workshops were run as part of the round two pre-design phase. In order to gain as much feedback as possible from all potential users, each of these consultations was aimed at a different target audience as listed follows;

SESSION 2 - KEY COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS

As identified by the Waverly Council this workshop included Waverly Council Precinct Conveners, Emergency Services Reps, Bondi SLSC, Service Providers (Telstra and Sydney Water), Chamber of Commerce Reps, Local Aboriginal Land Council, Waverly Historical Society, Waverly Access Committee, WAYS Youth and the Bondi Bowl-a-rama Events Organisers.

SESSION 3 - PROJECT WORKING GROUP (PWG)

Made up of key members representing the Bondi Skateboarders Club, Bondi Skate Park Volunteers, and Reps from sporting organisations including; Skateboard Australia, Skateboard NSW, Australian Scooter Association, Roller Blading Sydney and Freestyle BMX Australia.

SESSION 4 - SCHOOLS WORKSHOPS

With students from Bondi Public School, Bondi Beach Public School, Montessori East, Wairoa Special School and Galilee Catholic Primary.

SESSION 5 - HAVE YOUR SAY DAY

For the two community workshops, invitations were open to all of the local and extended Bondi community. Invitations were again extended to the above groups, including their association and club members, contact lists from the Bowl-a-rama event as well as the Bondi Park, Beach and Pavilion Plan of management. These pre-design workshops were also advertised through a series of different promotional platforms.

There are two key stages in the consultation process to ensure the client, community, users and stakeholders are all engaged. This will ensure the evolution of a highly resolved strategy and design outcome that is unique to the community it is being developed for. The two stages are:

STAGE 1:

Information gathering of ideas, issues, requirements etc. to provide direction for the face to face community workshops and understand the demographic and demand in the community via the analysis of data.

STAGE 2:

Community workshops that utilise the key outcomes of the information gathering stage and corroboratively work with the community to further explore themes and develop spatially located design responses.

Although invitations were extended to a wide variety of stakeholders, participation in the open pre-design community workshop consultations mainly attracted existing core users of the current facility with a direct interest in the future of the skate park and its extension.

It is anticipated that greater involvement and engagement by identified stakeholders and community groups will occur once draft concept designs have been developed.

To ensure that these groups and the community remain informed of the project and future opportunities to provide feedback, future consultation will include;

- E-mails and letters detailing the findings of the pre-design workshops and surveys, including those found in this report.
- Invitations extended to participate in a second round of workshops to review draft concept plans prior to finalising a preferred concept plan.

ROUND 2 CONSULTATION

PROMOTIONAL SCOPE

The consultation process aims to increase the community awareness of the proposed BJSP and to do so in a public, open and transparent way. Promotional tools to encourage involvement and comments included, posters (Figure 1) and promotion on the Waverley Council website, school news letters, skateboard.com.au parks feed, rollerblading.com.au, monsterpark.com.au, Australian Scooter Association (revolutionise.com.au) and Convic facebook page.

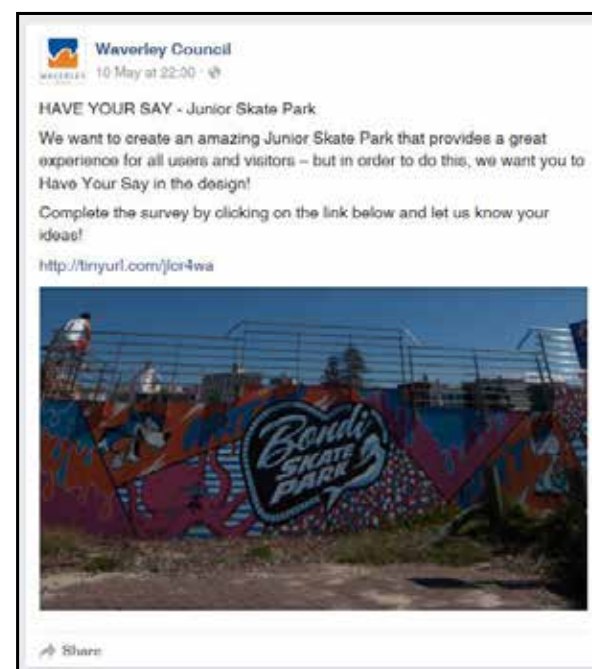


Figure 1: Facebook Post



Figure 2: Bondi Skate Riders Flyer

Help us design a new Junior Skate Park at Bondi Beach

Waverley Council is in the early stages of designing the Junior Skate Park at Bondi, which will complement the existing skate park built in 2004. We want to work with you to design the Junior Skate Park. To have your say, we will be holding workshops on the following days:

WORKSHOP 1	WORKSHOP 2
15 April 2016 6-7.30pm	16 April 2016 11am- 12.30pm
Bondi Pavilion, High Tide Room	Bondi Pavilion, Seagull Room

Please RSVP to Andrew Chau, Senior Landscape Architect, on bondipom@waverley.nsw.gov.au or 9083 8698 by 8 April 2016.

We hope to see you there.

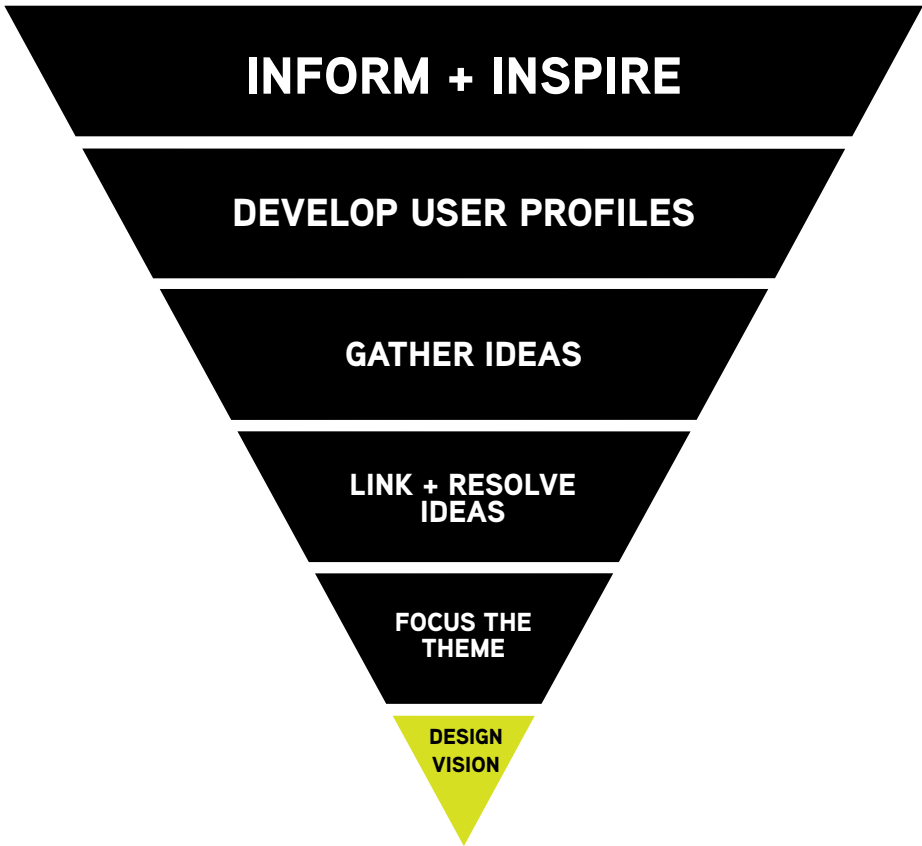
Figure 3: Consultation Flyer

ROUND 2 CONSULTATION

DESIGN WORKSHOPS

Workshop sessions can build a sense of community among users, stakeholders and residents, and are a useful tool to seek the opinions of a small group, allowing varying contributions and ideas to come together. Unlike a survey, they enable the discussion of complex issues and any possible underlying concerns the community of Bondi may have with regards to design, location and function of the skate space.

The workshops were loosely structured to allow the process to unfold freely and invite users to make commitments, suggestions and comments towards a common and collective design vision. Workshops were structured as shown in the following diagram. It identifies the distillation process to establish the design vision.



CONSULTATION APPROACH

PRESENTATION (INFORM AND INSPIRE)

1. Present the project parameters, including project brief, budget, site opportunities and constraints and project overview. This informs residents and stakeholders of what is included in the project.
2. View and assess existing and proposed parks in the municipality so as not to replicate existing facilities and to create site responsive and unique spaces. Each design is to be responsive to its location, taking its specific geography into account.
3. Present a selection of skate obstacles and features in order to inspire and inform the potential options and capabilities that are possible within in the youth facility.
4. Illustrate the nature of contemporary skate parks with a variety of integrated, broader community usage options, not only skater-only facilities, including a variety of elements such as, social gathering spaces, additional recreational opportunities, potential for activation and iconic and sculptural elements.

QUESTIONNAIRE (DEVELOPING USER PROFILES)

5. Develop an understanding of the participants demographic.
6. Understand user skill level, facility type and frequency of usage.
7. Understand local park usage and user location preferences to understand user needs and requirements based on their current habits.
8. Gather an understanding of participants views, likes and dislikes of the existing Bondi Skate Park to aid in the design development of the proposed addition.
9. Collate feedback analysis into representative outcomes.

PICTURE VOTING (GATHER IDEAS)

10. Starts the process of decision making and illustrates individual preferences and “wants”.

DESIGN WORKSHOP (LINK AND RESOLVE IDEAS)

11. Creatively explore and resolve individual ideas through group discussion and workshop. This results in collective group theming, by developing all inclusive resolved ideation distilled through the group decision making processes.
12. Workshop participation and presenting the results to an open forum and wider group discussion.

GROUP DISCUSSION (FOCUS THE THEME)

13. Participants discuss and resolve the main or common themes, highlighted from the group work, in order to create an inclusive and collective focused design vision shared by all.

Utilising this workshop method ensures the evolution of a highly resolved and informed design outcome that is unique to the community. The consultation process encourages the local community to take an active role upon completion of the built outcome to become guardians of the space and most importantly activate the facility.

ROUND 2 DEVELOPING USER PROFILES

QUESTIONNAIRE SURVEY RESULTS

A questionnaire was distributed to participants to develop user profiles. The survey assisted to understand skill level, facility type and usage. The questionnaire seeks feedback on user interests and the types of elements that could be provided in the youth / skate facility.

The key results from the Questionnaire Survey undertaken as part of the pre-design workshop are shown as infographics in the following chapter of this report.

- The results are an overview of the community profile of participants. Understanding the demographic patterns and trends within the community via the analysis of this data helps to inform the vision for the proposed skate facility.

Figure 4: Consultation Questionnaire

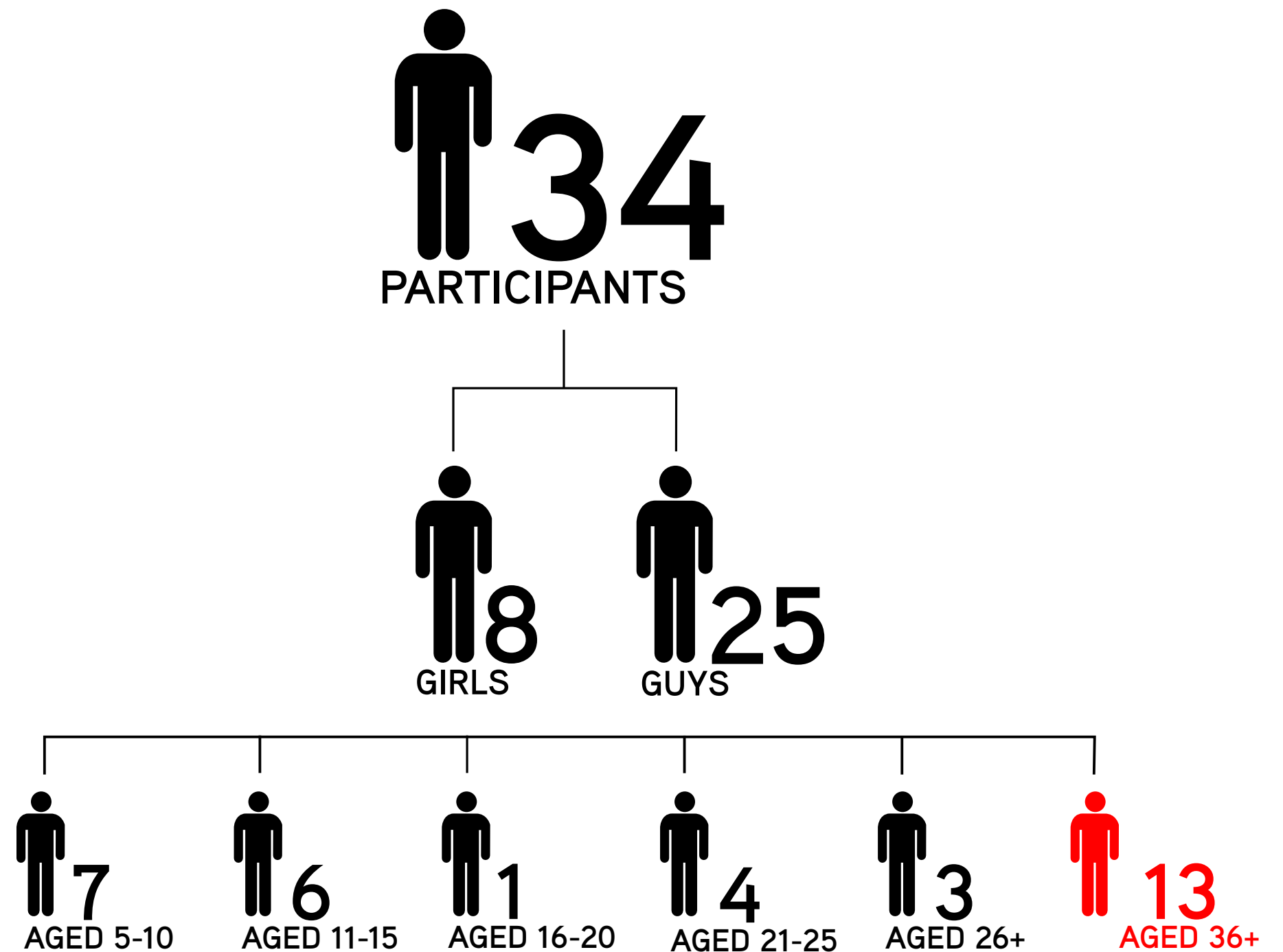
ROUND 2 DEVELOPING USER PROFILES

WHO WAS INVOLVED

SUMMARY:

Over the 15th and 16th of April, Convic was able to engage with a total of 34 participants. The majority of whom were males aged 36 and over.

With youth / skate facilities typically being aimed at targeting future generations, Convic will also look at trends within the wider skate community in order to cater to the local younger participants and national / international visitors.



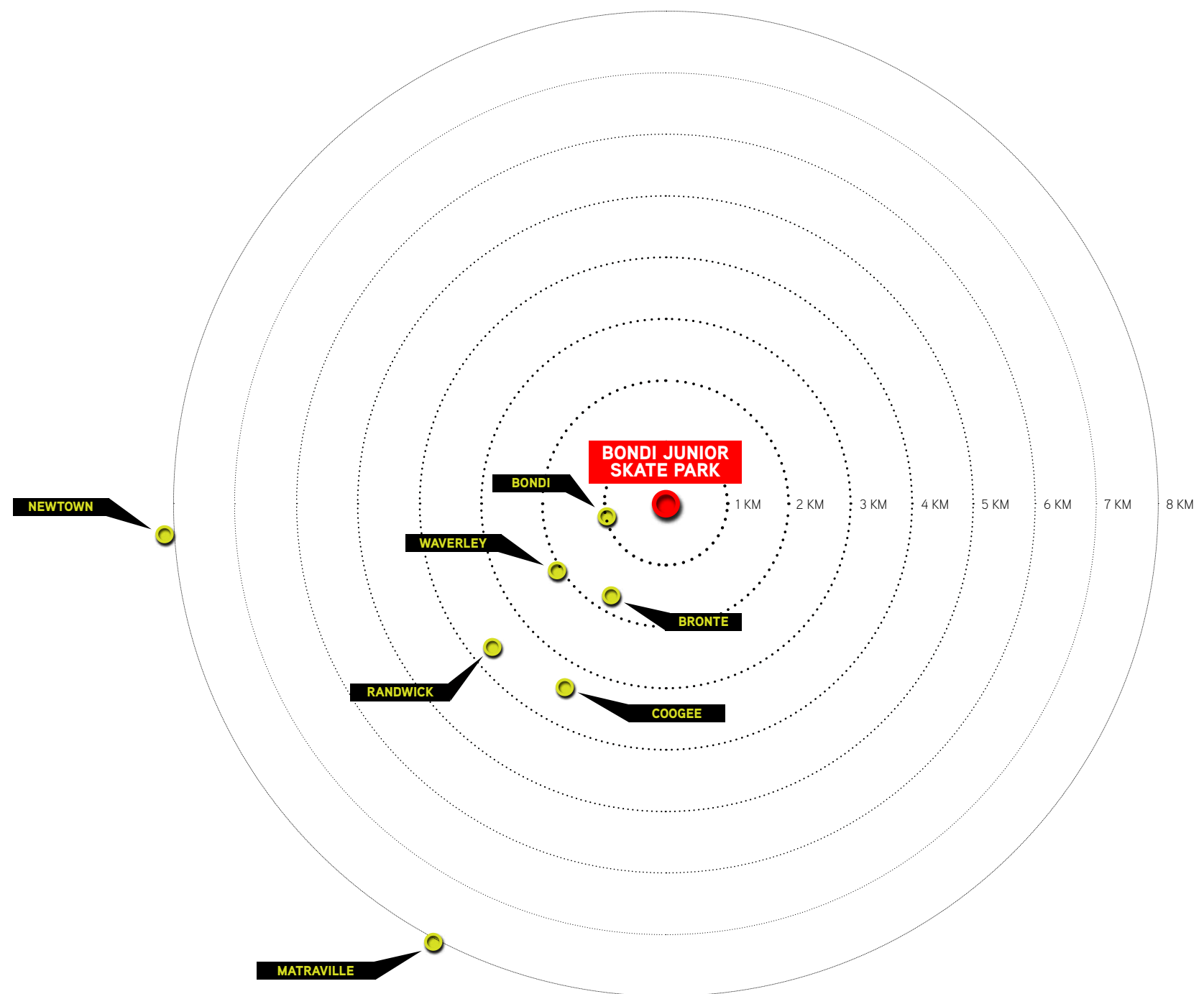
ROUND 2 DEVELOPING USER PROFILES

WHERE DO YOU LIVE?

SUMMARY:

The majority of participants live in and around Bondi or live within a close enough distance to the site for it to become a facility that will be utilised on a regular basis. Several other participants live slightly further afield, however, their participation illustrates that they would be happy to travel the 20-25 minutes to utilise the space.

For the majority of participants the extended BJSP will become their closest local facility.



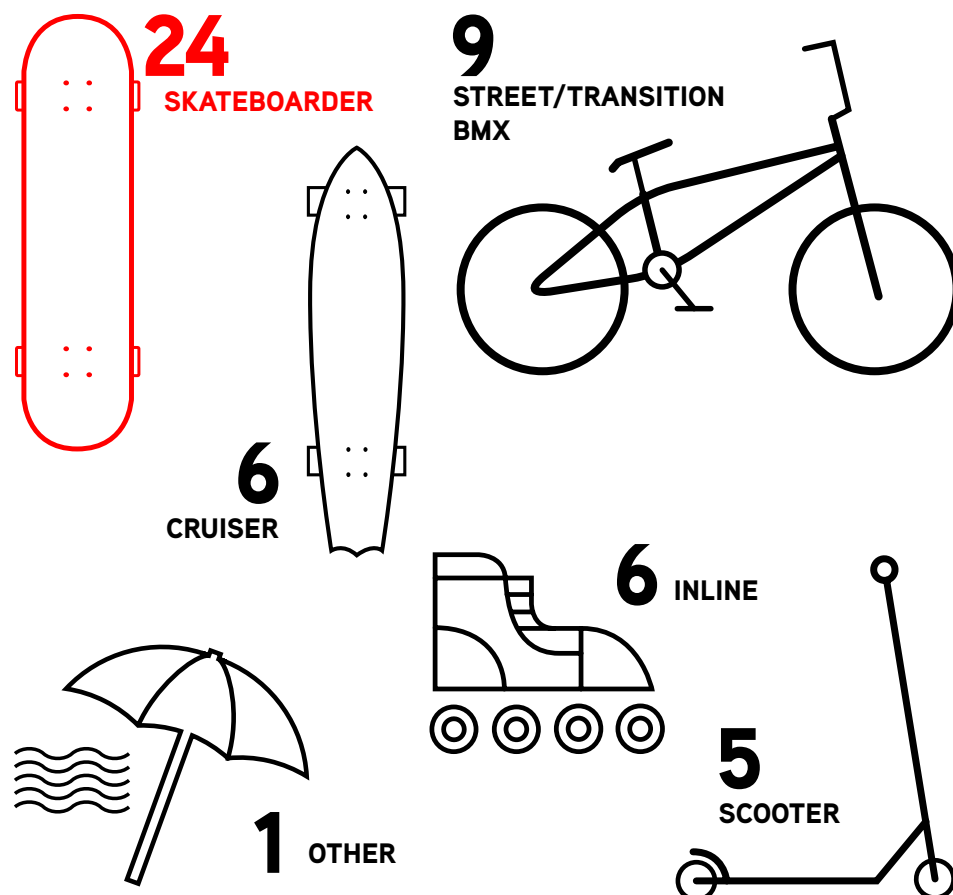
ROUND 2 DEVELOPING USER PROFILES

WHAT DO YOU ROLL WITH?

SUMMARY:

Different parks can favour different rider users, for example jump boxes more often appeal to scooter and BMX riders, where as ledges and rails often appeal more so to skateboarders.

With this understanding, the questionnaire identified a high level of skateboarders. This indicates the park should take on a style that appeals to and meets the majority user needs. This does not preclude other riders being considered through the design process.



WHY DO YOU ROLL?

SUMMARY:

This "word cloud" gives greater prominence to the words that appeared most frequently from the participants answers. Most answers included; fun, sport and fitness, relax and de-stress and to hang with friends.

This illustrates that participants enjoy the fun, relaxation and fitness aspects that the facility can offer as well as value the social interaction and friendships they form and build around youth / skate space. This indicates the need for additional social and gathering space such as 'hangout zones'.



ROUND 2 DEVELOPING USER PROFILES

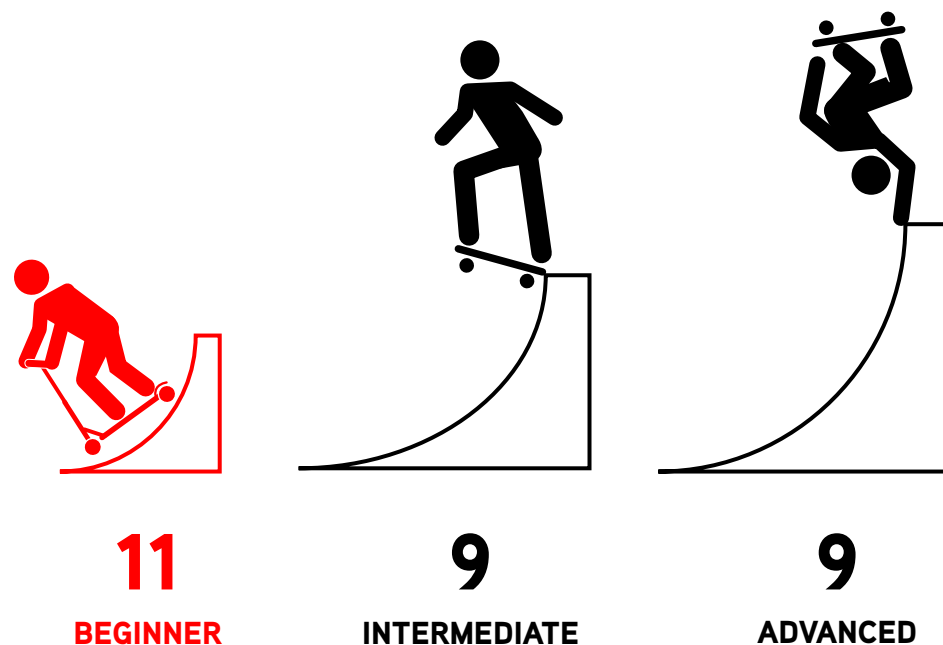
WHAT WOULD YOU SAY YOUR SKILL LEVEL IS?

SUMMARY:

The majority of participants indicated that they are of a beginner skill level. This is taken into consideration during the design phase of the new BJSP and may manifest as responses for features that appeal to the identified user groups.

Users identified in the results that beginner areas are necessary to ensure new users are able to build their riding confidence in a comfortable and safe environment.

It is, however, also key to note the nine intermediate and advanced participants. This demonstrates the need to provide for skill progression within the skate facility. Allowing for the beginner level user to continue ongoing skill development through to an advanced level user, and for the intermediate and advanced users to continue to be challenged. This is achieved by providing a number of features that have the ability to be used in multiple ways by all skill levels.



WHERE IS YOUR FAVOURITE PLACE TO RIDE?

SUMMARY:

This “word cloud” gives greater prominence to the words that appeared most frequently from the participants answers. Most answers included:

- The existing Bondi facility
- Waterloo Skate Park
- Various street spots

This highlights features within the new skate space will be selected to ensure there is not a doubling up of features that already exist in the local area, ensuring a wide range of user typologies are catered for.

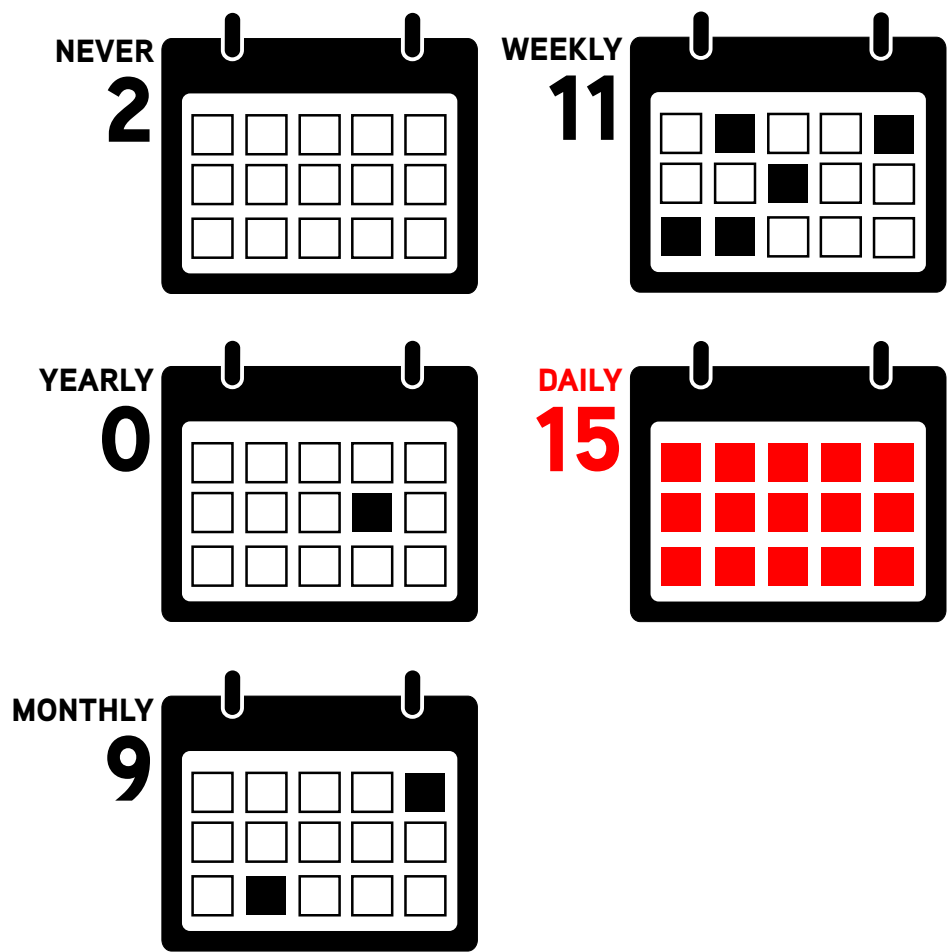


ROUND 2 DEVELOPING USER PROFILES

HOW OFTEN DO YOU RIDE?

SUMMARY:

The majority of participants have been identified as active users, with most riding on a daily basis. This illustrates a high number of participants that will directly utilise the proposed skate facility regularly in the future.

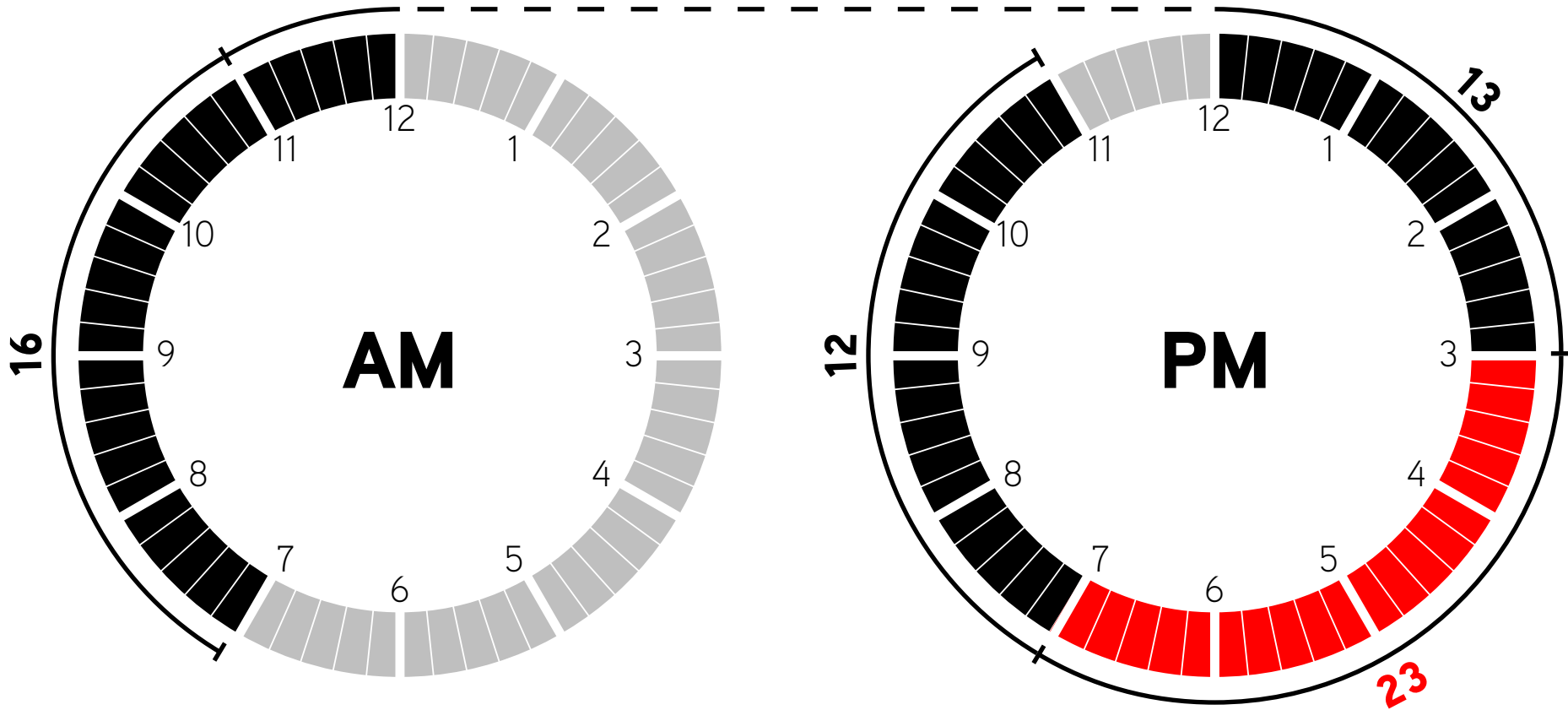


WHAT TIME DO YOU GO TO THE SKATE PARK?

SUMMARY:

The results show that participants utilise skate facilities through the majority of the day and evening. This illustrates that the proposed skate facility design will need to consider amenity provision that supports functionality throughout the day, especially with regards to midday / afternoon sun in the summer months.

The most popular use time was identified as 3-7pm. In order to extend activation beyond these hours, particularly in winter months, consideration should be made with respect to functional lighting to the skate facility.



3.2

ROUND 2 GATHERING IDEAS

PICTURE VOTING AND COMMENTS

The participants were presented with a series of images representing a selection of different overall styles for the facility as well as a series of Bondi specific questions.

There was a broad range of questions asked, ranging from yes/no answers to short paragraph responses. From the votes provided by participants, Convic can understand the features that users like to ride, as well as further detail on the overall style, and amenity provision needed for the skate facility.

Convic will take this into consideration throughout the design process when selecting and creating obstacles, and additional amenities to be included within the proposed space.

DO YOU PREFER TO RIDE...

STREET + PLAZA

OR A BIT OF BOTH

BOWL + TRANSITION

IS BONDI YOUR LOCAL SKATE PARK?

YES

NO

HOW OFTEN DO YOU VISIT BONDI SKATE PARK?

NEVER

MONTHLY

DAILY

YEARLY

WEEKLY

WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE THING ABOUT THE EXISTING BONDI SKATE PARK AND WHY?

PLEASE WRITE / DRAW BELOW:

WHAT IS YOUR LEAST FAVOURITE THING ABOUT THE EXISTING BONDI SKATE PARK AND WHY?

PLEASE WRITE / DRAW BELOW:

WHAT ONE THING WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE IN THE NEW EXTENSION AND WHY?

PLEASE WRITE / DRAW BELOW:

ANY FURTHER COMMENTS / IDEAS?

PLEASE WRITE / DRAW BELOW:

KEEN TO STAY INVOLVED IN THE DESIGN PROCESS? JOIN OUR MAILING LIST.

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SUMMARY

The picture voting workshop highlighted the following considerations:

1. Users favour a transition style facility and have implied that a bowl/transition, or combination space would best suit their community.
2. There is high interest in art features, use of colour, and lighting.
3. Concern has been demonstrated in the high levels of foot traffic through and around the existing facility.
4. Users would like to include more street features within the park such as hubbas and flat bars.

Figure 5: Questionnaire; Picture Voting and Comments

ROUND 2 GATHERING IDEAS

WHAT STYLE DO YOU PREFER TO RIDE?

SUMMARY:

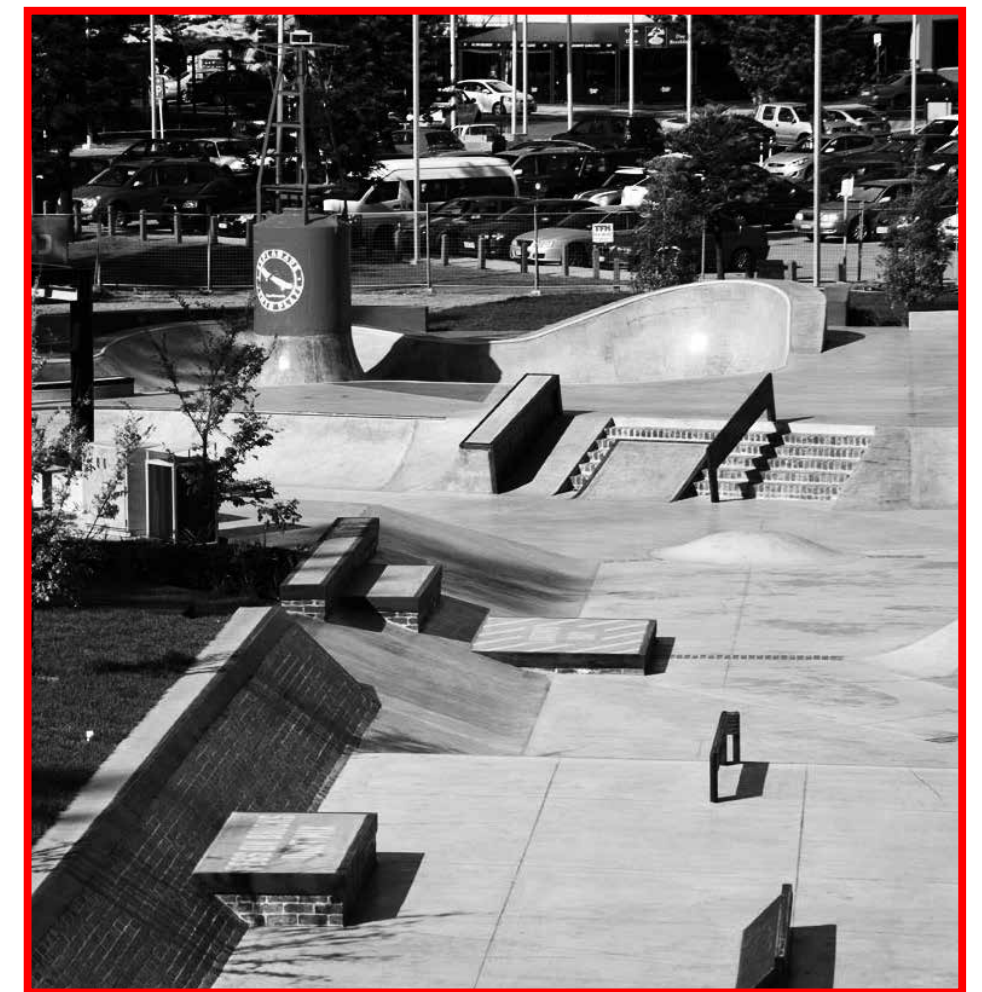
The participants were asked to vote for the style of park they prefer most, with the majority preferring a combination of bowl/transition and street style facility. Votes counted specifically for street or transition style facilities only differed by one indicating a relatively even spread between the two and further justification for a space that facilitates both styles.



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STREET/PLAZA



6
BOWL/TRANSITION

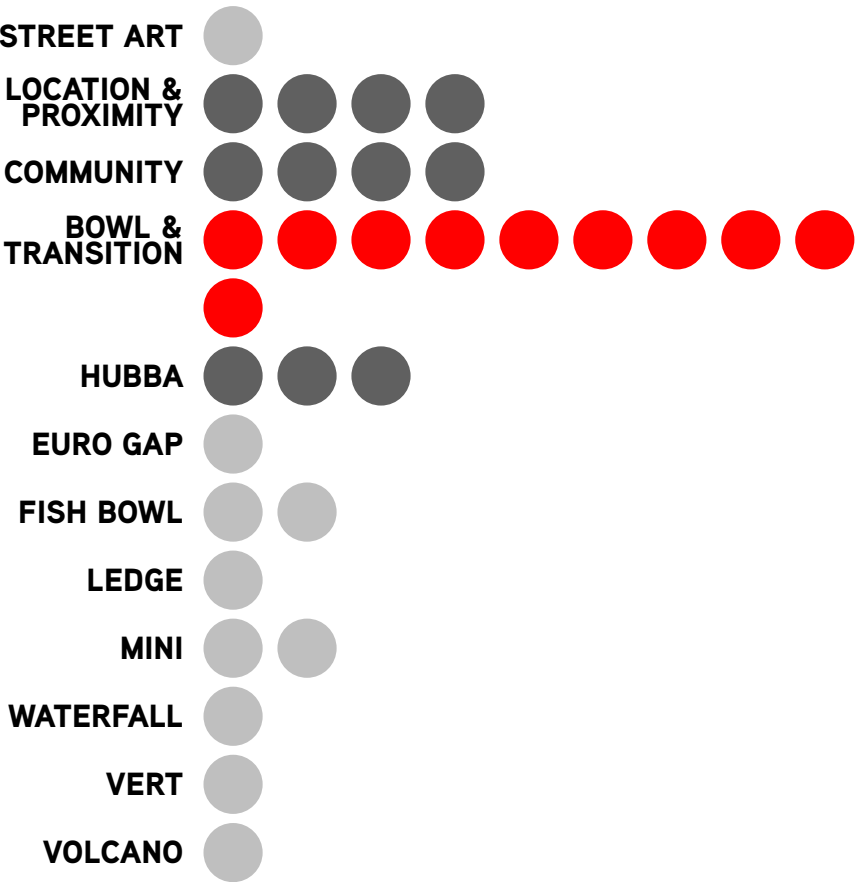


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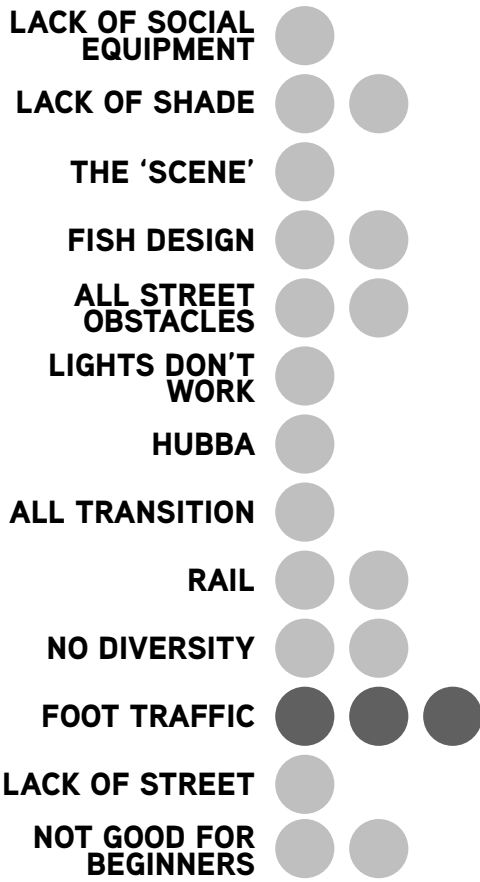
ROUND 2

GATHERING IDEAS

FAVOURITE PART OF EXISTING?



LEAST FAVOURITE PART OF EXISTING?



COMMENTS:
In regards to the existing facility, participants were enthusiastic about the bowl / transition style, as well as its culture, location and proximity.

As mentioned, extensive foot traffic is of concern as well as the lack of shade, additional amenity and restriction of use by intermediate and advanced level riders.

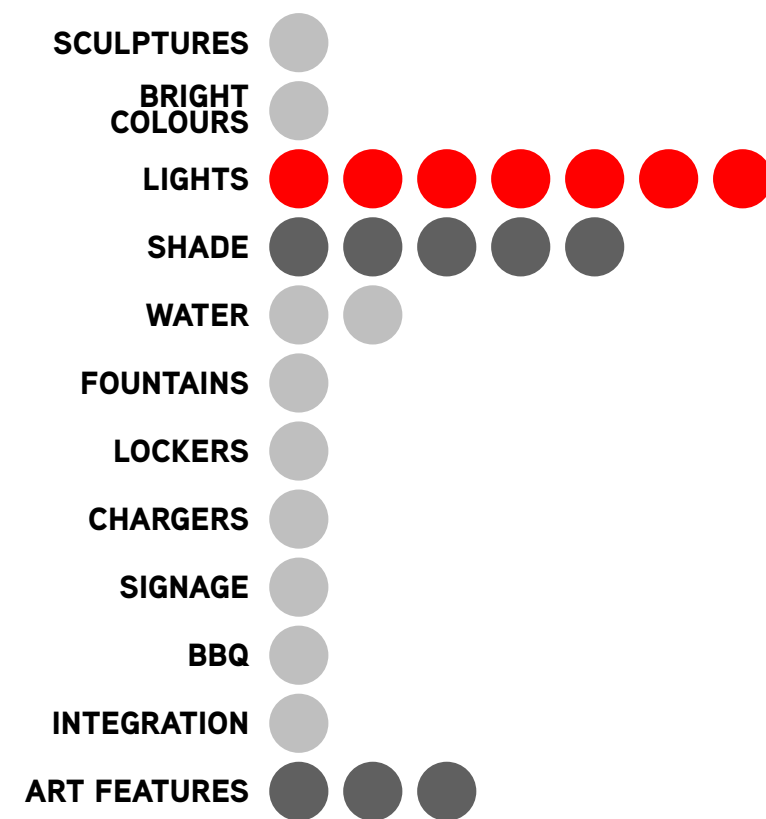
Other comments listed favourite elements such as the street art, fish concept, mini bowl and waterfall and least favourite elements such as the restrictions of the fish design, broken lights and lack of diversity / street features.

ROUND 2 GATHERING IDEAS

SKATE FEATURES YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE



AMENITIES YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE



COMMENTS:

Participants feedback made clear the interest for more street features such as a flat bar to be included in the final design. Suggestions also included functional lighting of the facility, further shading infrastructure, art facilities and easily accessible water fountains.

ROUND 2

GATHERING IDEAS

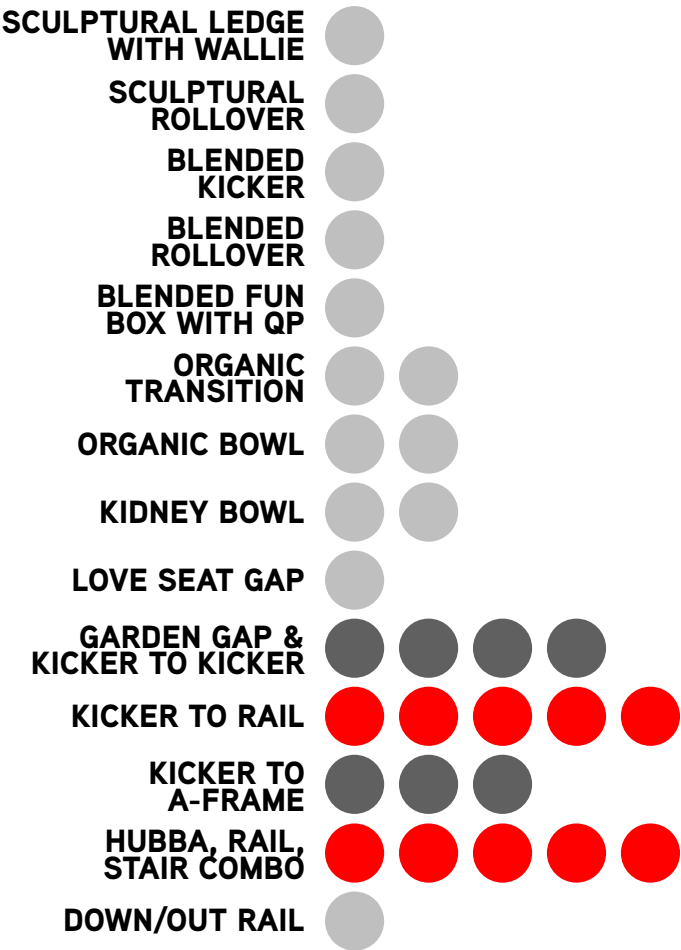
STICKER VOTING

Following on from the workshop presentation and questionnaire, the participants voted on a range of visual choices of inspirational images (as seen in the workshop presentation). This allows participants the opportunity to vote on their favourite ideas, features and elements by attaching stickers to their chosen favourite feature, amenity or style.

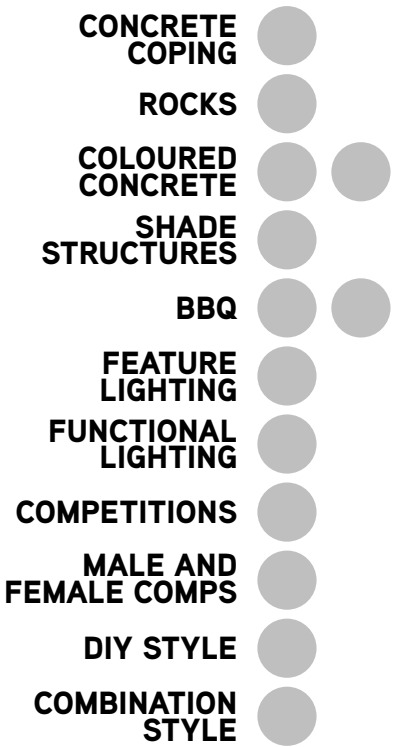
The participants were given a total of three stickers and could choose to put all of the stickers on one choice or spread the stickers around if they had more than one 'favourite' response. The following tables show the results of the participant selections and where the stickers were placed. The results start to build a pattern of elements and help define the theme or style of elements that maybe included in the new skate facility.



SKATE FEATURES



AMENITY, ACTIVATION AND MATERIALS



COMMENTS:
Interest was demonstrated for high speed skate features such as a kicker to rail, a hubba, rail and stair combination, garden gap kicker to kicker and a kicker to a-frame rail as well as BBQ amenity and the use of coloured concrete.

3.3

ROUND 2 LINK & RESOLVE IDEAS

DESIGN WORKSHOP

The design workshop is an essential component of the community consultation and engagement process. At this point, participants are immersed in the consultation process and directly involved in creating ideas and presenting them. This builds a community based response to the process and develops a sense of value in their ideas, opinions and feedback that engenders ownership of the process.

Participants were organised into groups and asked to work collaboratively together to create their new BJSP. The design workshops centred around the question, 'What do you want the Bondi Junior Skate Park to be?' The aim was for participants to take the selected items and features from the presentation and develop creative design ideas and solutions by creating a space and linking obstacles together to form a collective and thoughtful response. Each group consisted of a mix of participants from young people to more mature riders, parents and other community members. The mix in each group ensures a diversity and breadth of discussion, ideas and building of a general consensus.

The results saw an extensive range of creative and innovative responses, whether written, drawn or using reference images. After the completion of all presentations, all participants then had the opportunity to identify and discuss their favourite idea(s).



Figure 6: Picture Voting, Design Workshop Groups & Park Designs

ROUND 2 LINK & RESOLVE IDEAS

STAKEHOLDER / PWG WORKSHOP

WHEN: Thursday 14th April, 5:30-7:00pm

WHERE: Queens Park Room, Waverley Council Chambers

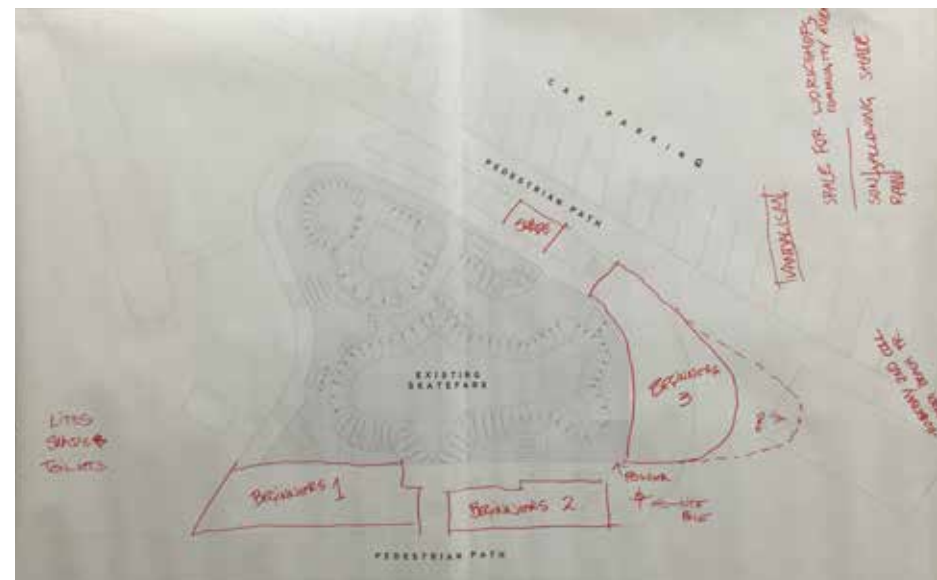
WHO: Youth representatives from WAYS, key members of the local skate community, Bowl-a-rama events representatives and council members.

TOP ITEMS

1. All skill level facility that allows for open flow between areas
2. Street obstacles that matched the level of the world class bowl in a creative combination style.
3. Shade provision.
4. Resolution of skate and pedestrian circulation, minimising collisions and creating a legible space.
5. Refurbish and integrate the existing park.

Several issues around the existing skate park were highlighted as follows:

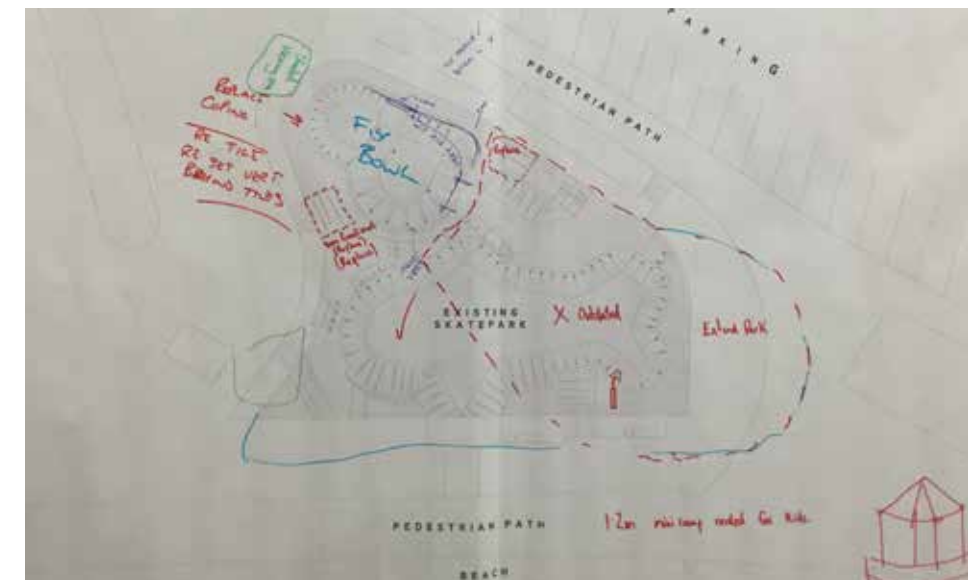
- Sand build up in park during large storms.
- No true vert and pooling of water in the existing competition bowl.
- Pedestrians cutting through park from the foreshore promenade.
- The need for larger spectator areas and better circulation around the park.
- Currently some areas are too congested due to the small area available.
- There is no shelter structure present for wet or sunny conditions.
- The existing 'fish' or 'shark' section has become out dated and is dangerous when there are multiple users present.
- Lack of lighting, shower and wifi within the park.



GROUP 1

Group 1 have identified three general sections for the new Junior skate park, breaking up beginner sections into Beginners 1, 2 and 3. These sections could vary in skate features and elements and could also vary in technicality, allowing for natural progression into the existing, more advanced skate park. Notes have been made to ensure for suitable shade structures for both rain and shine and also to include lighting, toilets and power.

This groups general layout plan recognises that the existing park is of an advanced skill level and that defined beginner sections are needed to help to improve the abilities of junior, beginner and intermediate riders to help them to progress into the more advanced features.



GROUP 2

Group 2 have suggested to extend the park in the south eastern and southern direction. The entire existing south eastern section of the park has been identified as out dated and to be replaced. It is noted that a 1200mm high mini ramp is needed for junior and beginner riders to help them progress into the larger features of the park.

The majority of comments are aimed towards the improvement of the existing competition bowl, with suggestions of replacing the coping, re-tiling and fixing the vert sections of the bowl. The existing competition bowl has been raised by the majority of groups as needing some work to improve its overall function and ride-ability.

ROUND 2 LINK & RESOLVE IDEAS

SCHOOLS WORKSHOP

WHEN: Friday 15th April, 4:00-5:30pm
WHERE: Seagull Room, Bondi Beach Pavilion
WHO: Children invited from the local schools

TOP ITEMS

1. Sea theme
2. Star fish volcano.
3. Wave obstacle
4. Pump moguls
5. Ping pong table



GROUP 3

A small group of young children worked collectively to develop a creative response to the extension. Focusing heavily on theming and amenity provision, ideas were explored around a sea/beach theme to create unique skateable features including a sculptural mermaid tail ramp, starfish volcano obstacle and 'skate dog'. A super graphic was also developed across the entire park further enhancing the coastal theme.

Amenity was also seen as a massive priority for spectators, parents and users whilst resting. Water bubblers were positioned around seating and BBQ provided to the east point of the site.



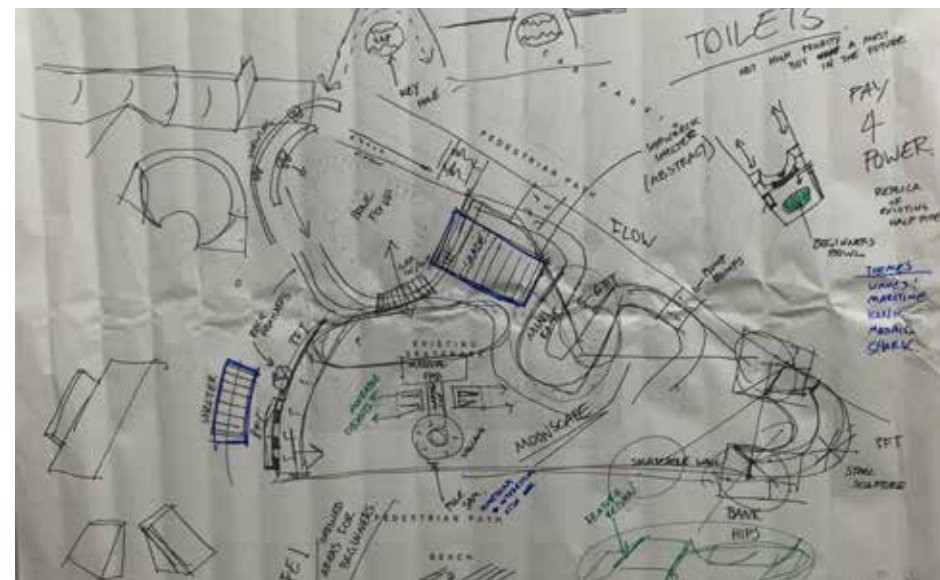
ROUND 2 LINK & RESOLVE IDEAS

OPEN COMMUNITY WORKSHOP 1

WHEN: Friday 15th April, 6:00-7:30pm
WHERE: Seagull Room, Bondi Beach Pavilion
WHO: Wider community

TOP ITEMS

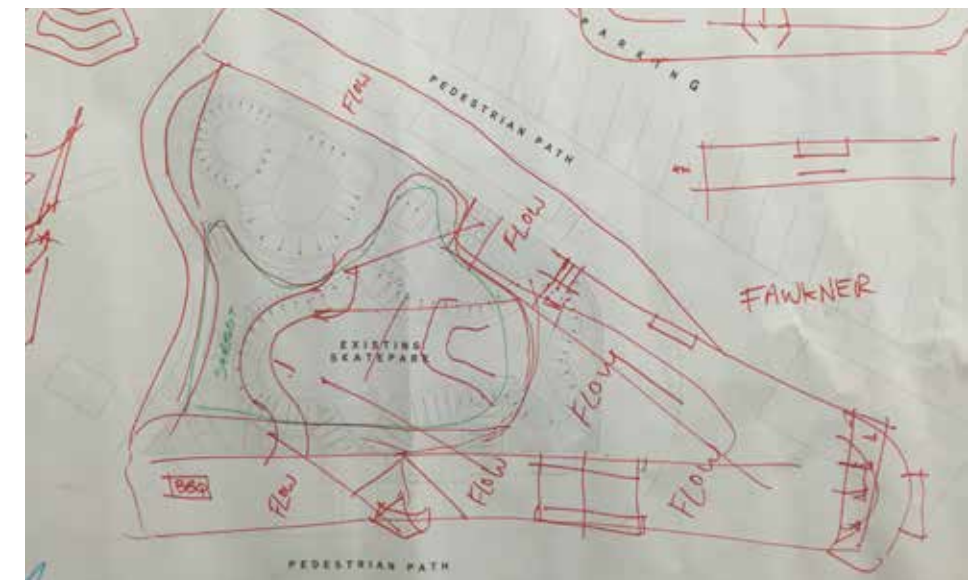
1. Theming that reflects coastal location and Bondi
2. Shade for spectators and users
3. Organic flow street area
4. Small beginners bowl east end of the park
5. Mini ramp



GROUP 4

Group 4 have also identified the south eastern corner as an appropriate place to have a quarter / flat bank feature to allow for back and forth runs. The existing 'shark' has been redesigned to become a more organic shape, forming a mini ramp and also allowing for the possibility to air out of the existing competition bowl. A volcano, garden gap, kickers and manual pad have been included within this redesigned area with a skateable wall along the southern boundary to separate pedestrians on the foreshore promenade from park users.

A strong consideration has been taken into how the park will be themed, with an abstract shipwreck styled shelter, rock features, the suggestion of a large key hole shark feature and further suggestions of wave, maritime and mosaic theming. A beginners bowl has been included in the south eastern corner to allow for natural progression into the larger bowl for juniors, beginner and intermediate riders. Toilet facilities, viewing areas and multiple shade structures have been suggested for the park.



GROUP 5

Group 5 designed a park which also had a strong focus on long straight back and forth street sections. A design that utilises the natural downhill gradient from the top north western corner to the bottom south eastern corner. These runs are suggested to contain ledges, A-frames, stair sets and rails and feature a quarter pipe or flat bank feature in the south eastern corner to create a back and forth street run. The existing park is proposed to maintain a focus on transitional style elements to compliment the street sections. Creating a new junior skate park that has great flow within and between all sections of the park has been identified as important.

The suggestion of including BBQ facilities demonstrates how the group has a good understanding of multiple user types, ensuring that all rider disciplines and skill levels are catered for as well as other users of the park.

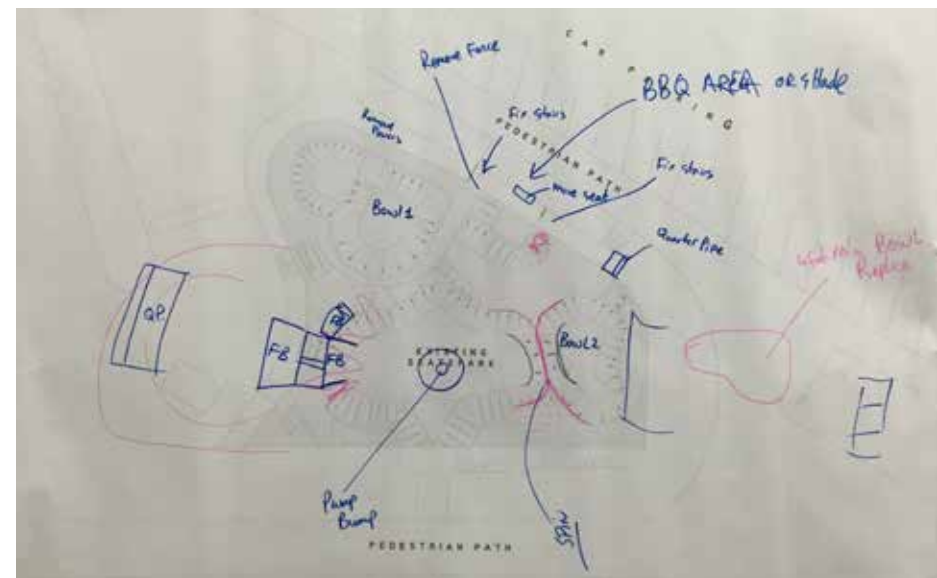
ROUND 2 LINK & RESOLVE IDEAS

OPEN COMMUNITY WORKSHOP 2

WHEN: Saturday 16th April, 11:00-12:30pm
WHERE: Seagull Room, Bondi Beach Pavilion
WHO: Wider community

TOP ITEMS

1. Selection of fast speed street obstacles (reference Nobel Skate Park)
2. Kicker to kicker with mermaid central sculpture
3. Reuse sections of the existing shark bowl
4. Provide transition area that addresses various skill levels, but also provides open flow between each area.
5. Shade

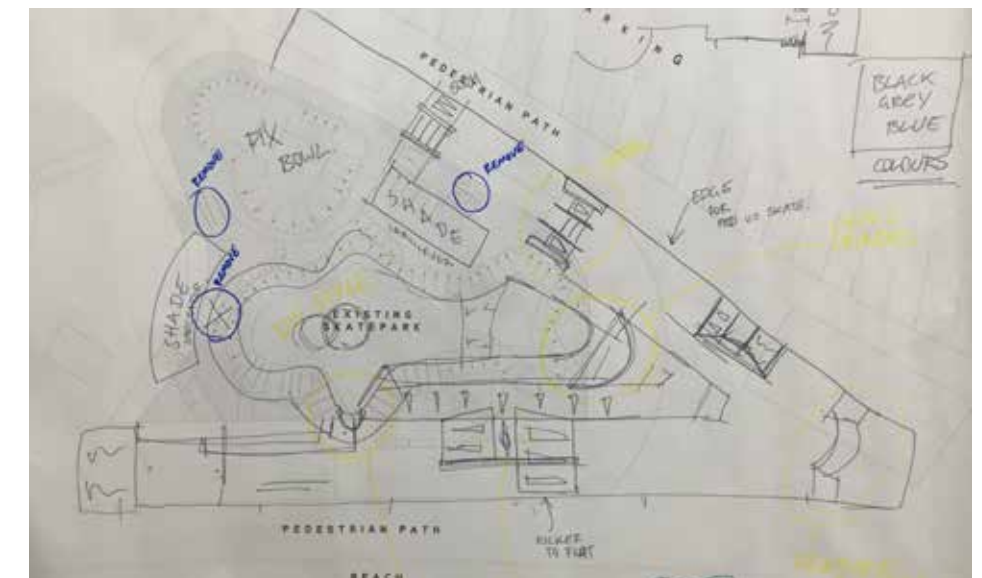


GROUP 6

Group 6 have opted for a design less influenced by back and forth street runs and focused on linking street and transitional elements into scattered pockets around the existing park. The construction of a large quarter pipe on the western boundary of the park allows for flow in and out of the existing 'shark' with a proposed flat bank to flat bank box jump.

The northern boundary has been modified to include a quarter pipe and short street run, with the repair of the existing stair set. A BBQ area and shade shelter have also been suggested for this general area, catering for not only skaters and riders but also other park users. The inclusion of a pump bump in the centre of the 'shark' and the closing off of the 'sharks' tail to create a second bowl creates a spine and improves the flow within the main transitional section of the park.

It has been suggested to include a miniature version of the large competition bowl to allow for natural progression and learning for junior, beginner and intermediate level riders.



GROUP 7

Group 7 have designed street style runs on the northern, eastern and southern boundaries. This allows for a transition styled skate centre enclosed within a street style 'V'. The proposed street runs include features such as banks, hubbas, rails, box jumps, kickers and ledges with a return bank or quarter pipe in the south eastern corner.

Similarly to Group 1's design, this allows for riders to alternate between transition and street style runs or to have a continuous run of either. Removal of existing elements within the existing park and closing off sections of the 'shark' allow for a better flowing transitional section that compliment new taco and mogul features. Shade and colour choice have been identified as important items to consider in the new Junior Skate Park, along with refurbishment of the existing competition bowl.

A creative and thought provoking design response, using both linear and organic lines and forms to create a unique skate experience for users of all skill levels in a street and transition style.

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ROUND 3 CONSULTATION

INTRODUCTION

SESSION 6 - SKATE PARK OPEN DAY

A third Community Consultation was held at the existing Bondi Skate Park, this not only gave community members another opportunity to have their say in the design of the new Bondi Junior Skate Park but also add to the body of knowledge gained from the first two consultations, allowing for a more comprehensive, community driven design.

This consultation was held predominantly in the same format as the previous two in April, allowing for participants to develop creative, thoughtful design ideas and solutions through design workshops, discussions and provoking questionnaires.

SESSION 7 - COACHES WORKSHOP

In addition to the community consultation, a meeting with the local Bondi Skate coaches took place, giving a unique and informative insight into how the new Bondi Skate Park could be improved to better cater for people learning to ride and young children. The coaches were able to provide important input on the activation of the new Bondi Junior Skate park in terms of coaching clinics, learn to skate workshops and small scale junior competitions.

Coaches provided input on key issues present within the existing skate park and how each of these issues could be addressed to provide a better space for riders, pedestrians and other community members.

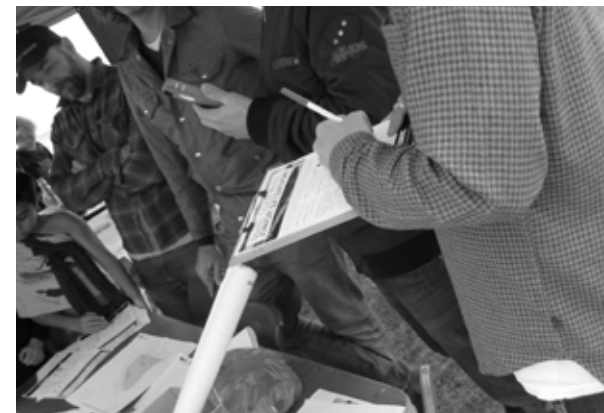


Figure 5: Picture Voting, Design Workshop Groups & Park Designs

ROUND 3 DEVELOPING USER PROFILES

WHO WAS INVOLVED?

As the previous consultations, a questionnaire was distributed to participants to develop user profiles. The survey assisted to understand skill level, facility type and usage. The questionnaire seeks feedback on user interests and the types of elements that could be provided in the youth / skate facility.

The key results from the Questionnaire Survey undertaken as part of the pre-design workshop are shown as infographics in the following chapter of this report.

The results are an overview of the community profile of participants. Understanding the demographic patterns and trends within the community via the analysis of this data helps to inform the vision for the proposed skate facility.

The iconic Bondi Skate Park is getting an extension! The new Junior Skate Park Extension aims to focus on beginner to intermediate skill level users to create a unique addition for all users that complements the existing Skate Park. Building on the existing world class facility, the extension will seamlessly integrate into the Bondi Park Precinct, creating an iconic and memorable experience for all users and visitors to Bondi Park.

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WHERE DO YOU LIVE: _____ 2-20 _____ 20-50 _____ 50+ _____

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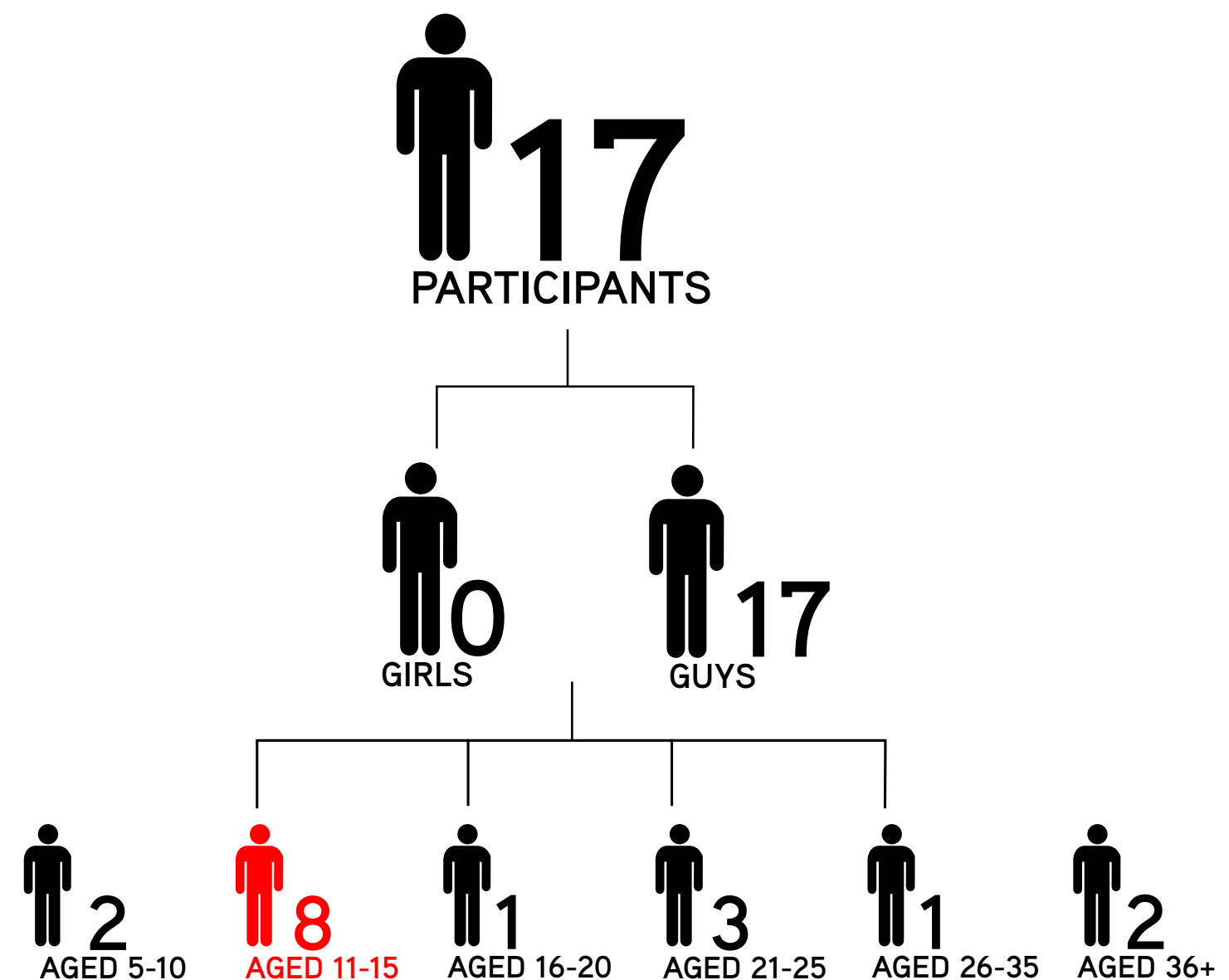
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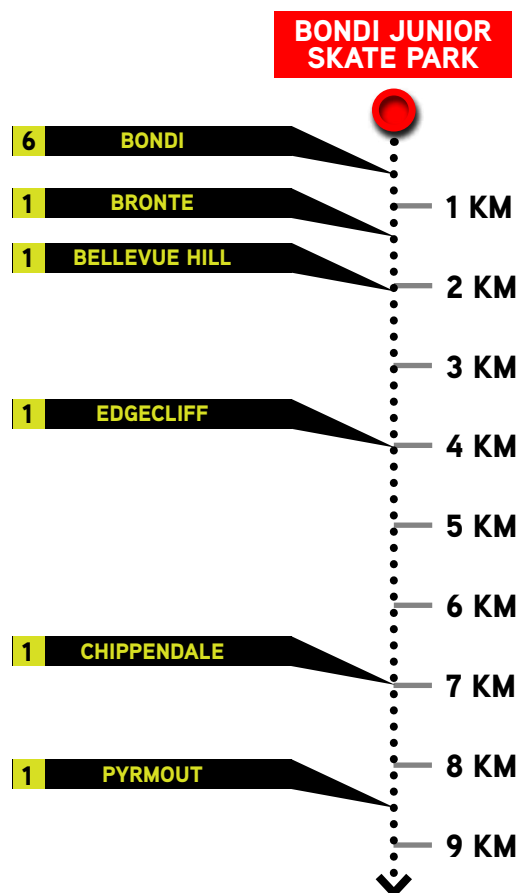
ROUND 3 DEVELOPING USER PROFILES

WHERE DO YOU LIVE?

SUMMARY:

The majority of participants live in and around Bondi or live within a close enough distance to the site for it to become a facility that will be utilised on a regular basis. Only a couple of participants lived further than 4km away, however, their participation illustrates that they would be happy to travel the 20-25 minutes to utilise the space.

For the majority of participants the extended BJSP will become their closest local facility.

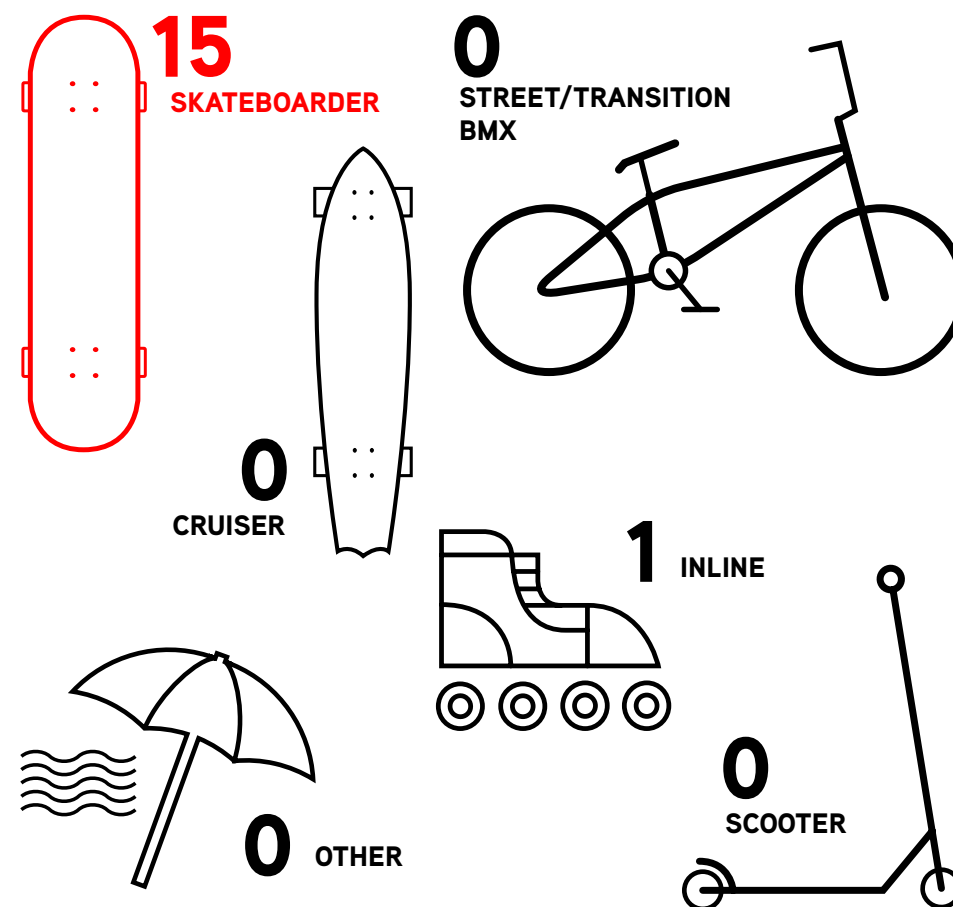


HOW DO YOU ROLL?

SUMMARY:

Different parks can favour different rider users, for example jump boxes more often appeal to scooter and BMX riders, whereas ledges and rails often appeal more so to skateboarders.

As per the previous consultations, the questionnaire identified a high level of skateboarders. This indicates the park should take on a style that appeals to and meets the majority user needs. This does not preclude other riders being considered through the design process.



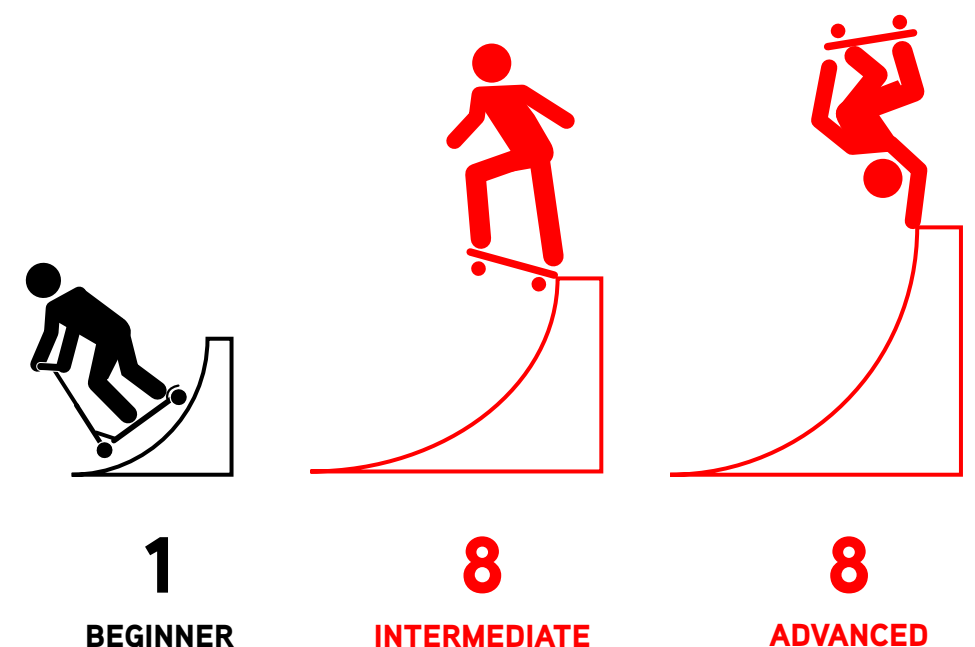
HOW WELL DO YOU SHRED?

SUMMARY:

The majority of participants indicated that they are of an intermediate to advanced skill level. These results are taken into consideration during the design phase of the new BJSP and are coupled with the results of the previous questionnaire to identify a key skill level user group.

Although this consultation had a strong weighting towards intermediate to advanced level riders, the combined results of the two consultations presents an almost even distribution of skill levelled riders from beginner to advanced. This further reinforces the need for sections that encourage progression and skill development across all skill levels.

This is achieved by providing a number of features that have the ability to be used in multiple ways by all skill levels.

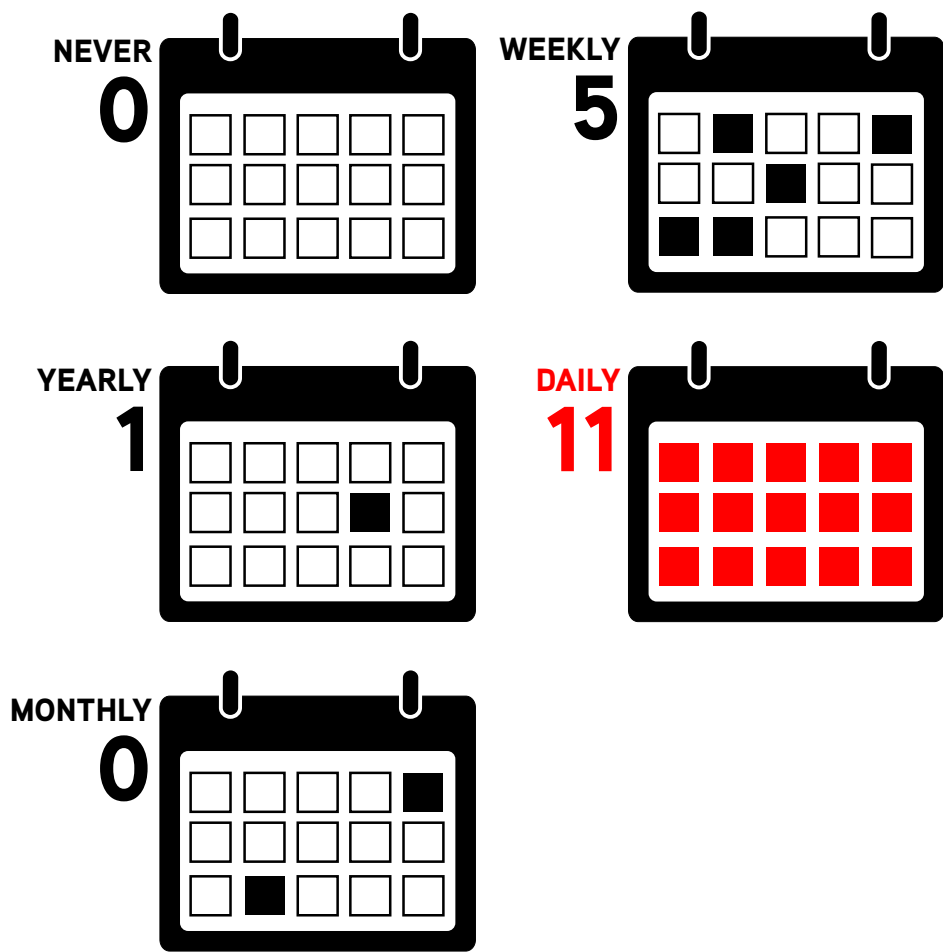


ROUND 3 DEVELOPING USER PROFILES

HOW OFTEN DO YOU RIDE?

SUMMARY:

The majority of participants have been identified as active users, with most riding on a daily basis. This illustrates a high number of participants that will directly utilise the proposed skate facility regularly in the future.

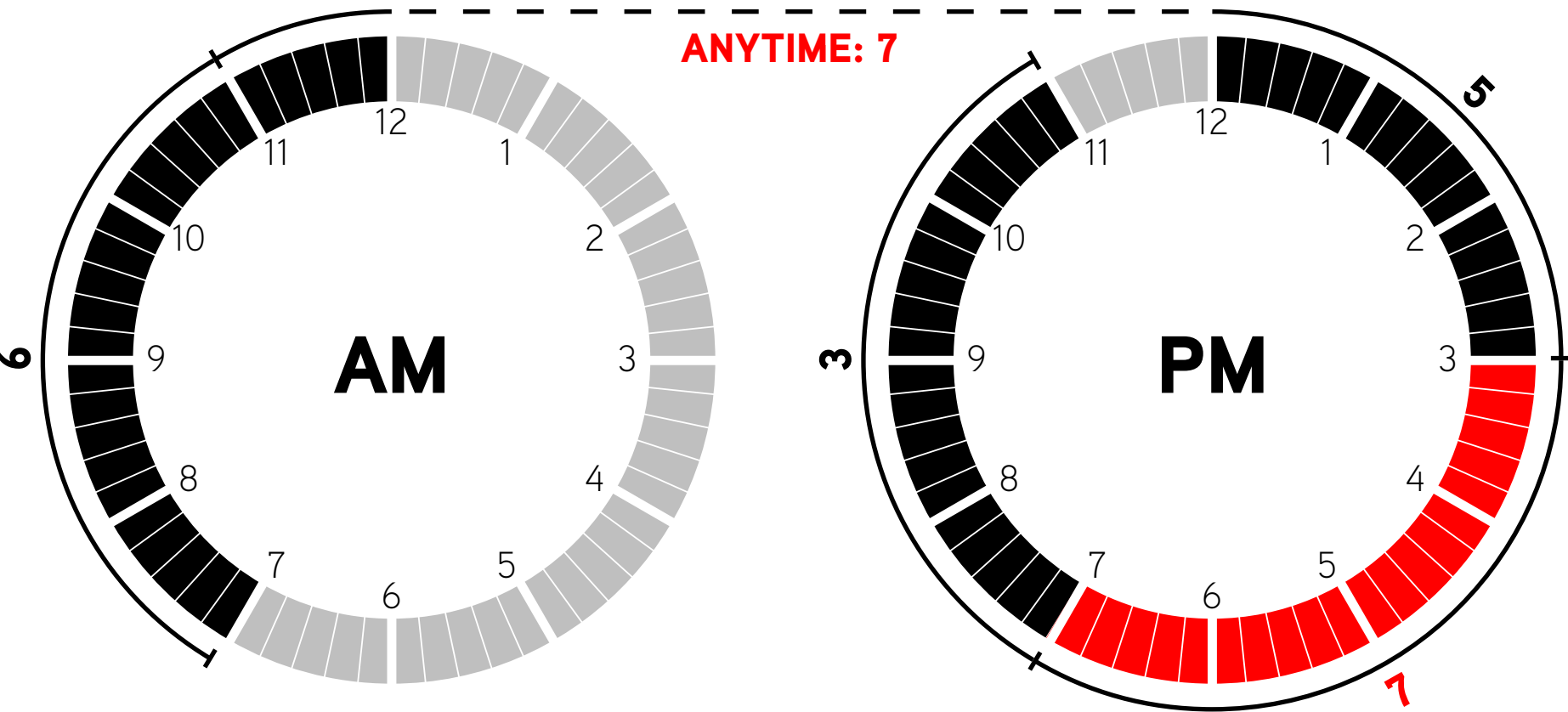


WHAT TIME DO YOU GO TO THE SKATE PARK?

SUMMARY:

The results show that participants utilise skate facilities through the majority of the day and evening. This illustrates that the proposed skate facility design will need to consider amenity provision that supports functionality throughout the day, especially with regards to midday / afternoon sun in the summer months.

The most popular use time was identified as 3-7pm, however, an equal amount of participants ticked all boxes, indicating that many riders will use the park at anytime during the day. In order to extend activation to cover all hours, particularly in winter months, consideration should be made with respect to functional lighting to the skate facility.



*Please consider that participants voted for more than one answer.

ROUND 3 DEVELOPING USER PROFILES

WHY DO YOU ROLL?

SUMMARY:

This “word cloud” gives greater prominence to the words that appeared most frequently from the participants answers. Almost identical to the results from the first consultation, most answers included; fun, hanging with friends, sport and fitness and to relax and de-stress.

This illustrates that participants enjoy the fun, relaxation and fitness aspects that the facility can offer as well as value the social interaction and friendships they form and build around youth / skate space. This indicates the need for additional social and gathering space such as ‘hangout zones’.



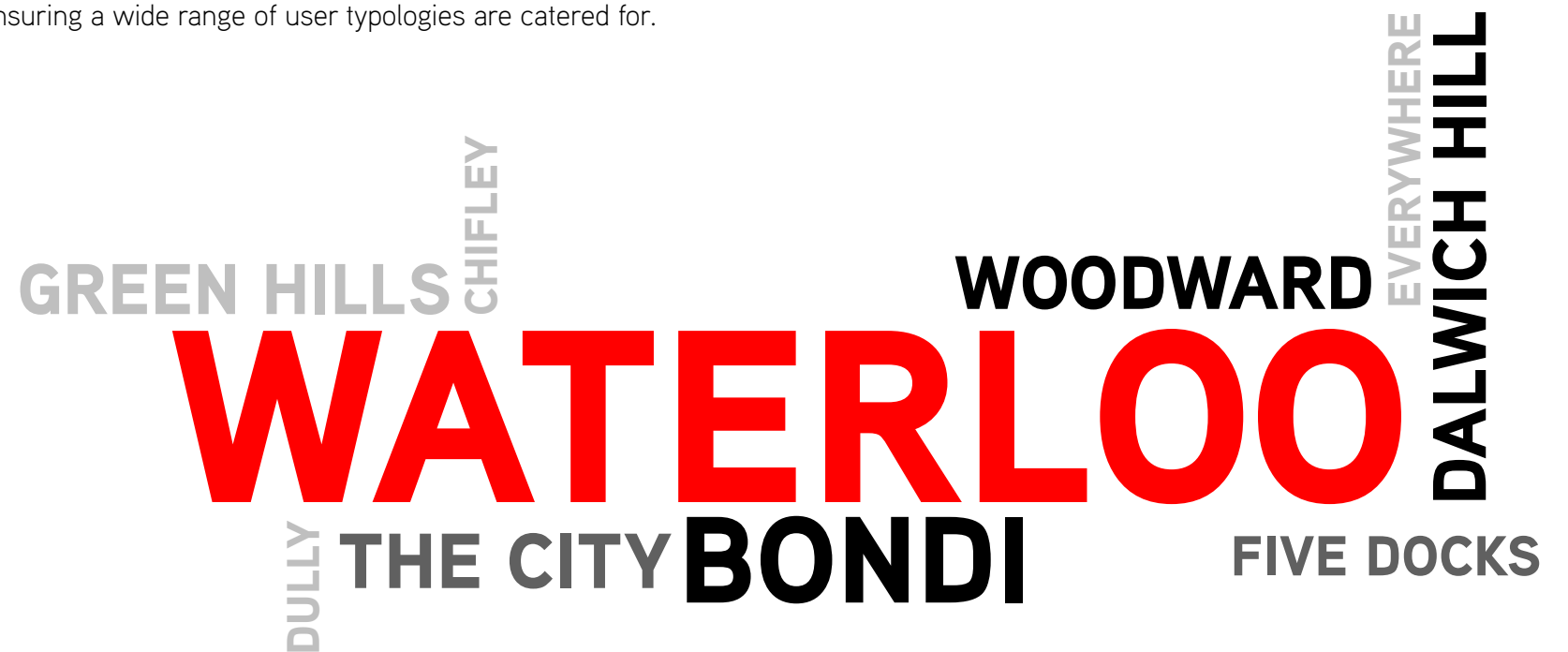
WHERE IS YOUR FAVOURITE PLACE TO RIDE?

SUMMARY:

This “word cloud” gives greater prominence to the words that appeared most frequently from the participants answers. Most answers included:

- Waterloo Skate Park
- The existing Bondi facility
- Dulwich Hill Skate Park

This highlights features within the new skate space will be selected to ensure there is not a doubling up of features that already exist in the local area, ensuring a wide range of user typologies are catered for.



4.2

ROUND 3 GATHERING IDEAS

BONDI SPECIFIC QUESTIONNAIRE

The participants were presented with a series of Bondi specific questions.

There was a broad range of questions asked, ranging from yes/no answers to short paragraph responses. From the votes and comments provided by participants, Convic can understand the features that users like to ride, as well as further detail on the overall style, and amenity provision needed for the skate facility.

Convic will take this into consideration throughout the design process when selecting and creating obstacles, and additional amenities to be included within the proposed space.

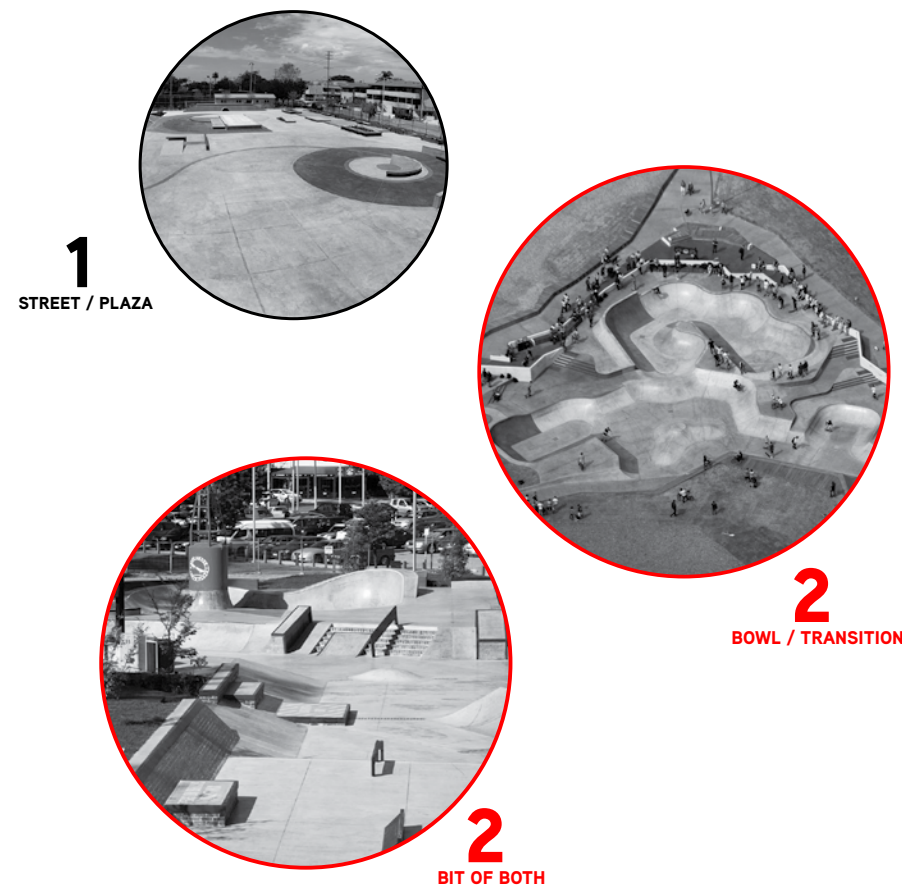
The questionnaire form includes the following sections:

- DO YOU PREFER TO RIDE...** (with three image options: STREET + PLAZA, OR A BIT OF BOTH, BOWL + TRANSITION)
- IS BONDI YOUR LOCAL SKATE PARK?** (YES/NO checkboxes)
- HOW OFTEN DO YOU VISIT BONDI SKATE PARK?** (NEVER, RARELY, MODERATELY, FREQUENTLY checkboxes)
- WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE THING ABOUT THE EXISTING BONDI SKATE PARK AND WHY?** (text box)
- WHAT IS YOUR LEAST FAVOURITE THING ABOUT THE EXISTING BONDI SKATE PARK AND WHY?** (text box)
- WHAT ONE THING WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE IN THE NEW EXTENSION AND WHY?** (text box)
- ANY FURTHER COMMENTS / IDEAS?** (text box)
- KEEP TO STAY INVOLVED IN THE DESIGN PROCESS? JOIN OUR MAILING LIST.** (checkbox)
- WAVERLEY COUNCIL CONVIC** logo and contact information at the bottom.

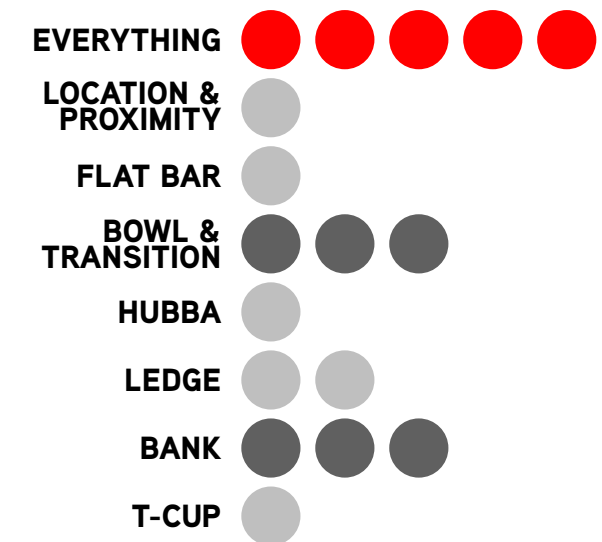
WHAT STYLE OF PARK DO YOU PREFER?

SUMMARY:

The participants were asked to vote for the style of park they prefer most. Similarly to the previous consultations, the majority prefer a bowl/transition style park or a park that caters to both street and bowl/transition.

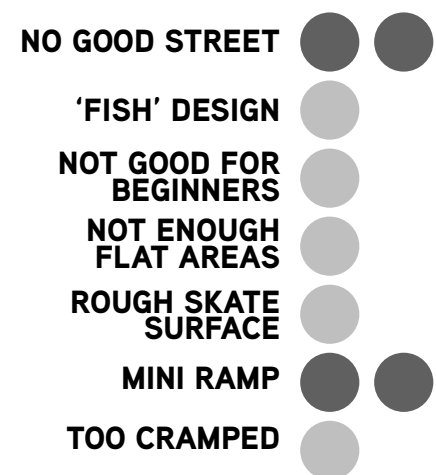


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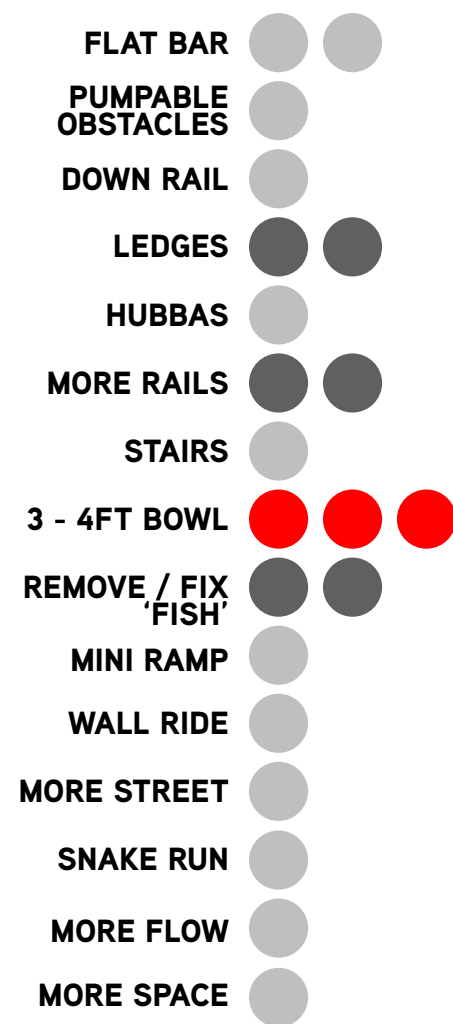


ROUND 3 GATHERING IDEAS

LEAST FAVOURITE PART OF EXISTING?



SKATE FEATURES YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE?



SUMMARY:

Although many voted the inclusion of a 3-4ft bowl, a high percentage of votes were also given to a wide range of street elements. Much like the consultation workshops and questionnaires of the previous consultations, this further emphasises that the facility needs to be a combination style park.

FURTHER COMMENTS / IDEAS?

SUMMARY:

Further comments included adding an artificial grass area where riders of all levels are able to practice ollies and flip tricks on a safer, softer surface. Other verbal ideas noted during discussions included; having a separate beginners area to avoid collisions between riders of varying skill levels and a flat ground section for trick progression. Many people reiterated the importance of having a shaded area with added seating for protection from the elements and more space to 'hang out' and make new friends.

4.3

ROUND 3 LINK & RESOLVE IDEAS

OPEN COMMUNITY DESIGN WORKSHOP

WHEN: Saturday 28th May, 11:00am - 3:00pm

WHERE: Bondi Skate Park

WHO: Project Working Group members, local skate community and General public.

The design workshop is an essential component of the community consultation and engagement process. It builds a community based response to the process and develops a sense of value in their ideas, opinions and feedback that engenders ownership of the process.

Participants were each handed existing Bondi Skate Park plans and were asked the question, 'What do you want the Bondi Junior Skate Park to be?' The aim was for participants to develop creative design ideas and solutions through discussion and drawing. Participants consisted of a mix of participants from young people to more mature riders, parents and other community members. The mix in participants ensures a diversity and breadth of discussion, ideas and building of a general consensus.

Design ideas and suggestions varied, with the Top Items from across all participants listed below:

TOP ITEMS

1. Include both street and transitional elements that allow for skill progression of all rider levels.
2. Either completely demolish the existing 'fish' layout or remove all features along the southern boundary and replace with appropriate transition to create one large 'fish' bowl.
3. Street sections to have back and forth runs.
4. Shade provision, seating and 'hang out zones'.
5. Retain existing competition bowl for future Bowl-a-rama events and competitions.
6. Include lighting within the new park for after hours use.



PARTICIPANT 1

Participant 1 has suggested retaining the existing skate park, adding street sections to all exterior boundaries of the park. The northern street section includes multiple banks and a long flat ledge. A large curved china bank or transition wraps around the eastern corner of the park, leading to multiple street features along the southern boundary, including; a kicker to kicker, ledges, an a-frame rail and a return feature to ensure a back and forth run.

This participant has identified the north western corner of the park as an appropriate area to include a large flatland section, which was identified by multiple users throughout consultations as an important thing to include in the new design, as it will allow for riders of all levels to practice tricks and control.

Careful consideration will need to be taken with elements on the western boundary due to the underground services.



PARTICIPANT 2

Participant 2 has noted that the tail of the 'fish' is a popular and functional feature within the existing skate park. They have noted that the existing central ledge features along the southern boundary break the flow of the 'fish's' tail and do not compliment or work with this open bowl element. This participant has suggested continuing the transition from the tail evenly along the entire Southern boundary to create one large 'fish' bowl.

A flowing street section has been suggested to follow the northern and southern boundaries, meeting at the lower eastern corner of the park. At this corner a small bowl has been added, which would cater to riders of varying skill levels, helping beginner and intermediate riders to progress to the large competition bowl.

Seating has been suggested at the North Western corner of the park, as this is the highest point in the park and would allow for viewing of all sections.

ROUND 3 LINK & RESOLVE IDEAS



PARTICIPANT 3

Participant 3 has suggested removing the entire 'fish' section of the existing park and replacing it with a drain style street section. A pump track that turns into a snake run, runs along the northern boundary, wrapping around the eastern corner to follow the southern edge.

The lower eastern corner has been dedicated to a kids/beginners section, including a small bowl to allow for natural progression into the more intermediate and advanced obstacles.

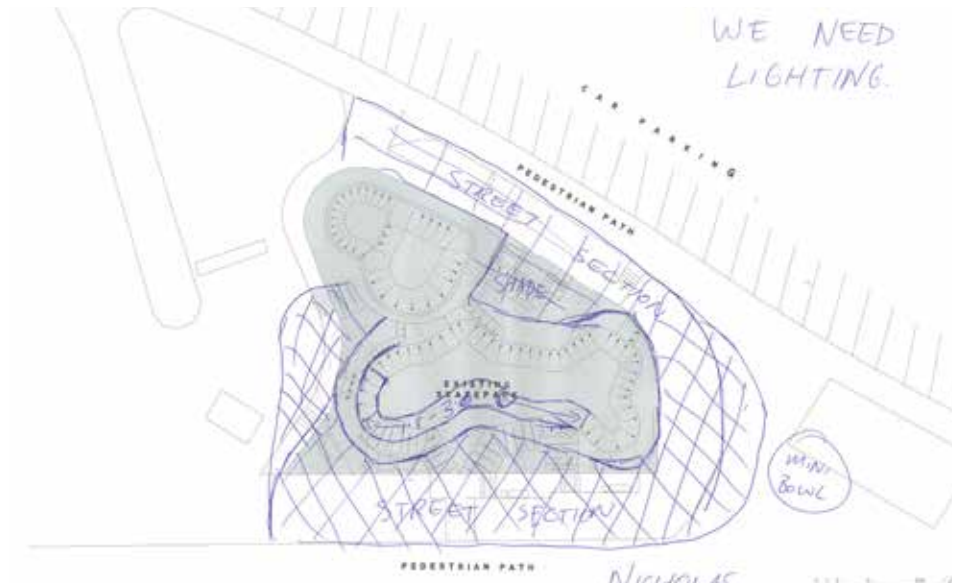
A shade structure/hang out zone has been suggested for the centre of the park, allowing for effective viewing of both the new drain street section and existing competition bowl. An area at the north western corner has also been left empty to allow for grand stand seating for future Bowl-a-rama events and competitions.



PARTICIPANT 4

Participant 4 has decided to retain the existing skate park and add street sections to the eastern and southern boundaries. These street sections include; ledges, multiple stair sets, hubbas, ledges and rails. A bank has been added on the north eastern edge and a quarter on the south western edge to allow for a back and forth style street runs.

This participant has taken into consideration the level change along the eastern boundary, placing banks and stair sections in the correct areas to allow for an effective street run that works with the existing site contours. Careful consideration will need to be taken where the fin of the 'fish' on the southern boundary meets the stairs of the street run, as to not create any dangerous or un-functional blend zones between the two.



PARTICIPANT 5

Participant 5, similarly to Participant 2 has suggested removing the features along the southern edge of the 'fish' and replacing them with an even transition that continues on from the fish's tail section, creating one large bowl. In doing this, the amount of transition within the skate park is increased, allowing for the northern, eastern, southern and a section of the western boundary to be utilised as street sections.

As many of the other participants have suggested, including a mini bowl in the lower eastern corner of the park will allow for natural progression of beginner and intermediate riders into the more advanced sections, without the risk of collisions and interference with more experienced riders.

Lighting is identified as an important amenity by this participant, which reflects upon the data gained through the questionnaires, which states that many riders are willing to use the park at all hours of the night and day if possible.

COACHES WORKSHOP

WHEN: Saturday 28th May, 10:00 - 11:30am
 WHERE: Bondi Surf Pavilion, Bondi Beach
 WHO: Bondi Wheeled Sports coaches and Focus Group

An open discussion style workshop was held with key Action Wheeled Sports Coaches and the Bondi Skate Park focus group. This workshop was designed to gain an informative insight into not only how the new Bondi Skate Park could be improved to better cater to beginner and intermediate level riders but also what measures could be taken in order to eliminate conflicts between the general public and skate park users.

An open discussion style workshop was held, where current issues present within the existing Bondi Skate Park were identified, analysed and discussed. Key outcomes and objectives that best combat these issues and benefit skateability, the local community, surroundings and the environment were identified.

The Key identified issues and their suggested solutions are listed in the following section.

KEY COACH WORKSHOP OUTCOMES

KEY ISSUE

Pedestrians and spectators not having defined or clear standing, seating or viewing areas and access pathways.

‘No Skating’ signs have been installed on the foreshore promenade, limiting skate access to the facility.

Not enough shade and seating within the existing park, riders are unable to escape the elements and have no where to rest and ‘hang out’.

No functional lighting is present at the existing facility. This eliminates the possibility for people working during the day to skate during winter months. No lighting leaves the facility unutilised and empty in the evenings, allowing for the possibility of anti-social behaviour

Not enough smooth flat ground space for riders of all levels to develop basic skills.

Ramps and obstacles are all of an intermediate to advanced level and intimidate beginner level riders and don’t allow for skill progression.

Collisions and near misses happen often due to mix of advanced and beginner riders using the same areas.



SOLUTION

Safe pedestrian routes and viewing areas are to be identified and made clear to pedestrians through signage and or other design methods.

‘No Skating’ signs to be replaced with ‘Skate Safe’ signs, educating riders on how to safely skate along the pathway.

Installation of a large or smaller multiple rest and shade areas within the park.

Installation of functional lighting across the facility to allow for riders to use the park in the evenings. Lights may be timed to shut off at certain hours for safety reasons.

New Bondi Skate Park design to incorporate flat ground space in the appropriate areas to allow for workshops and act as a spill out space during busy periods.

Including obstacles that can be utilised in multiple ways by all rider levels to allow for progression, such as; slappy kerb’s, a-frame kickers, low manual pads, pump humps and a 3-4ft bowl / quarter pipe. Small artificial turf area for beginners learning flip tricks and ollies.

Include ‘skate park etiquette’ signage, similar to surfing etiquette signage within the new park, educating new riders on how a skate park works and who has the right of way. ‘No go zones’ or ‘Waiting zones’ could be painted on appropriate areas to help users educate one another and eliminate collisions.

INTRODUCTION

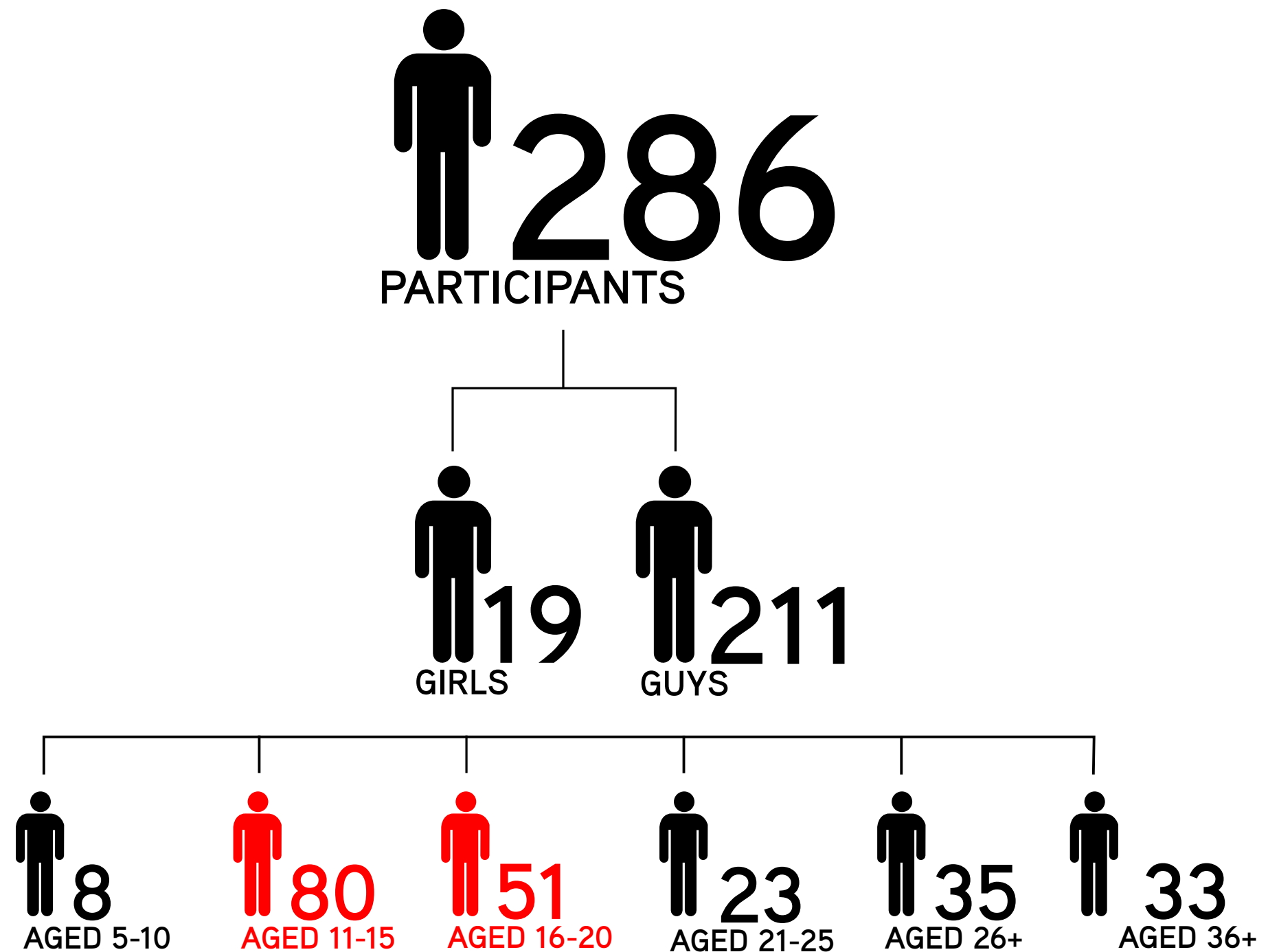
The following infographics represent information collected through an online survey forum set up on the Waverley Council Website. The information will be fed into the overall consultation analysis as an integral part of the engagement process. This ensures that members of the community who were unable to attend the workshops still had the opportunity to 'have their say'.

USER PROFILE RESULTS

WHO WAS INVOLVED

SUMMARY:

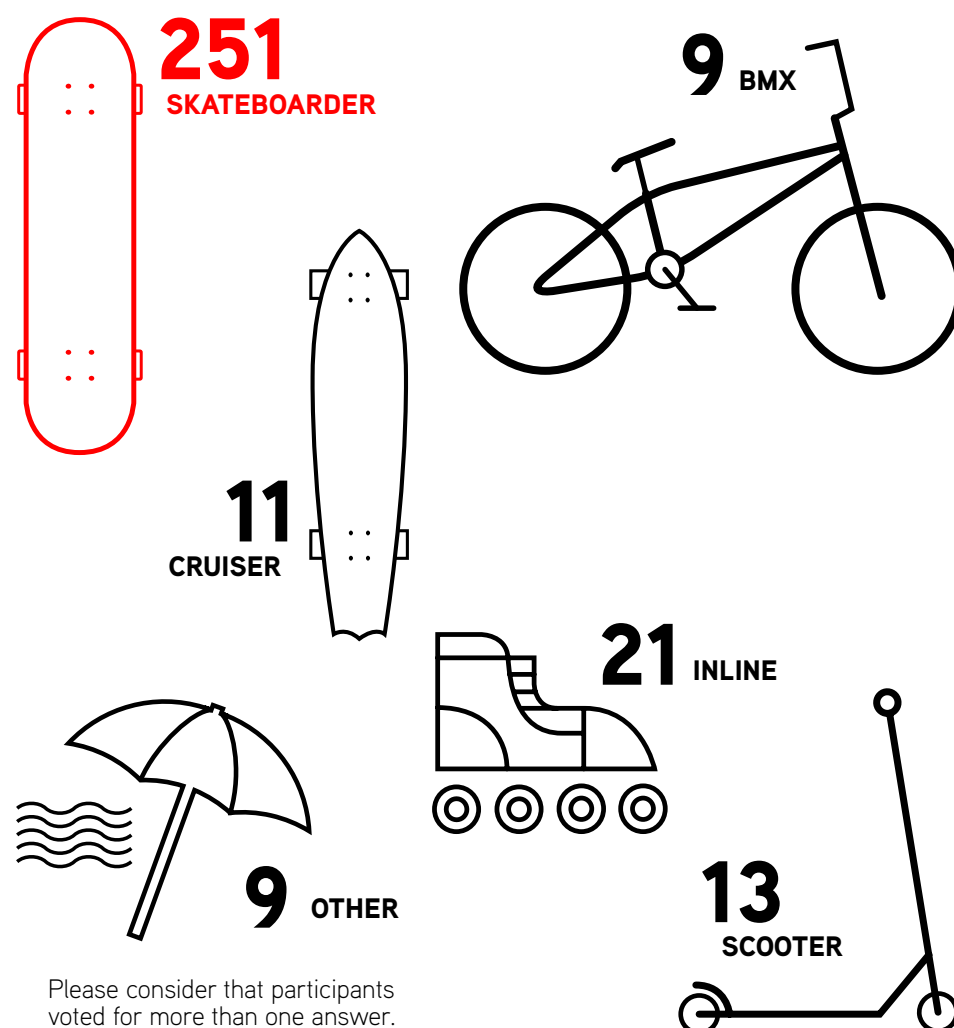
Through the use of this open platform, Convic was able to engage with 286 additional people to those whom attended the formal workshops. The majority of these were young males between the ages of 11-20.



WHAT DO YOU ROLL WITH?

SUMMARY:

Understanding the way that different features and park styles can appeal to different wheel sports, and spectator users, the prior consultations and online forum indicate that the park may take on a skate orientated style that appeals to and meets the majority of these user needs.



WHAT WOULD YOU SAY YOUR SKILL LEVEL IS?

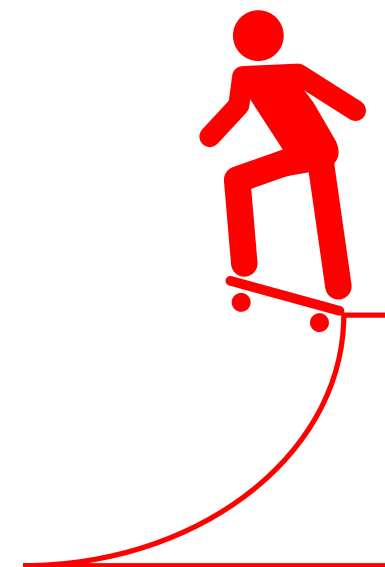
SUMMARY:

As a point of difference to the preceding consultations, the majority of participants indicated they are of an intermediate skill level.

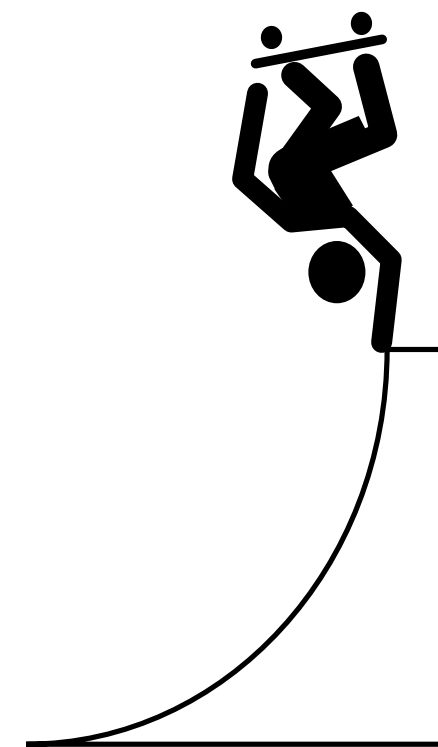
This justifies the necessity in providing for not only skill progression to allow for the beginner level users to continue ongoing progression up to an advanced level user, but also for both intermediate and advanced users (also a majority) to continue being challenged and develop their skills.



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BEGINNER



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INTERMEDIATE

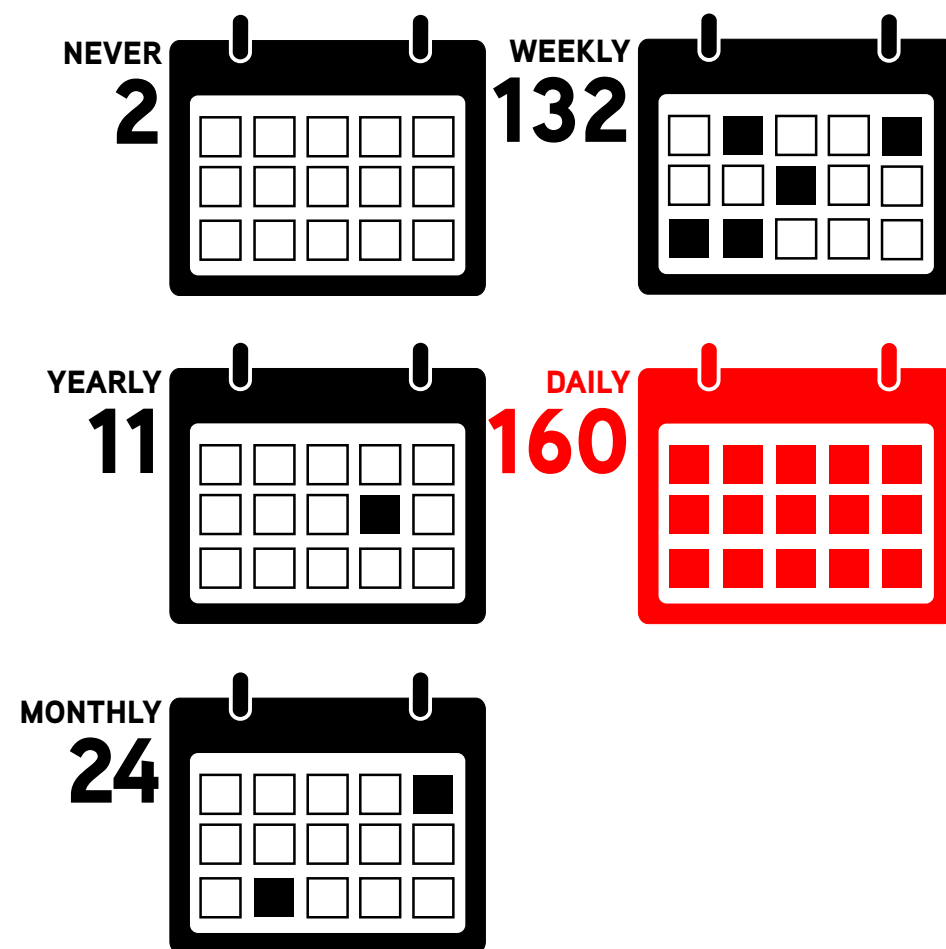


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ADVANCED

HOW OFTEN DO YOU RIDE?

SUMMARY:

The majority of participants have been identified as active users, with most riding on a weekly or daily basis. This illustrates a high number of participants directly utilise the existing skate facility and will continue to regularly in the future.

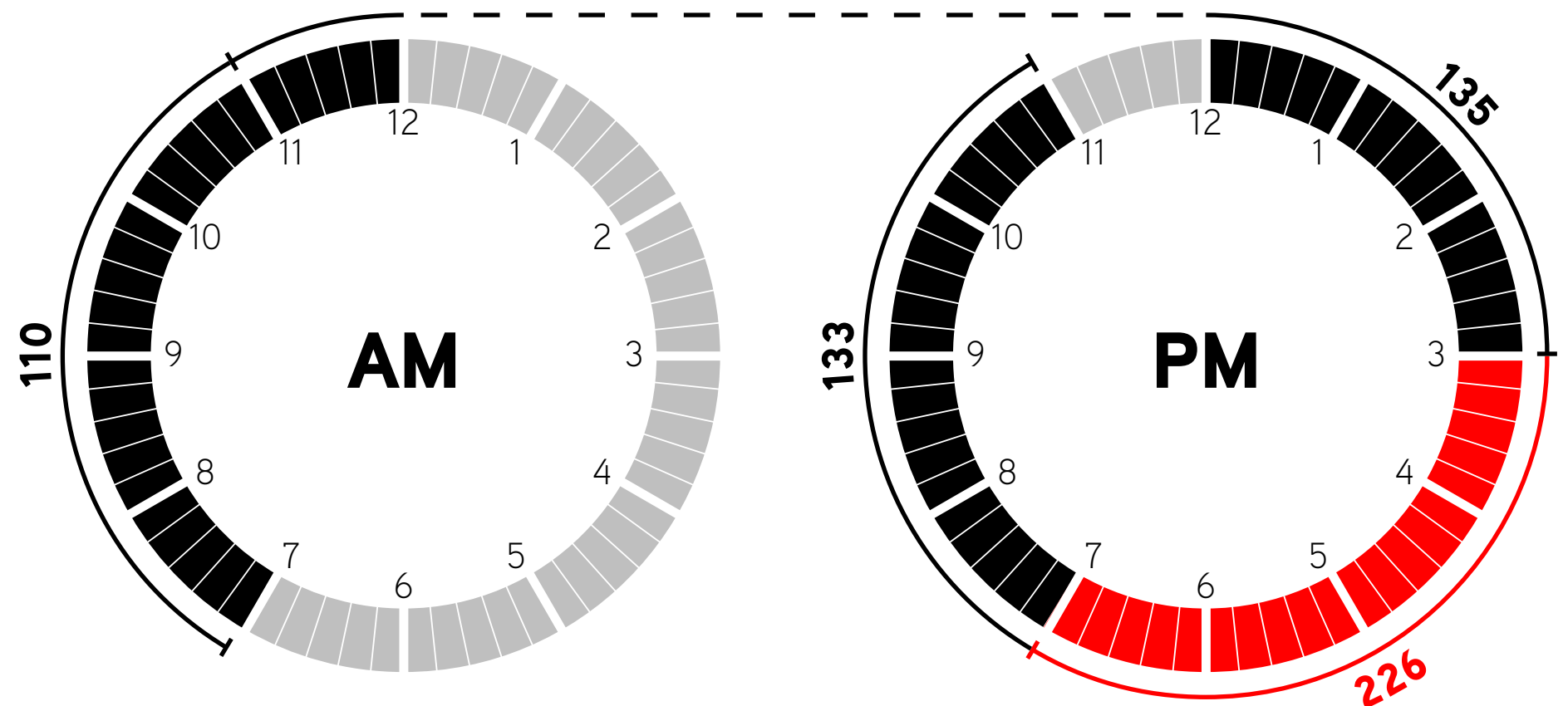


Please consider that participants voted for more than one answer.

WHAT TIME DO YOU GO TO THE SKATE PARK?

SUMMARY:

As demonstrated in previous consultation feedback, the most popular use time was again identified as between 3 and 7pm. However, many participants selected several other time slots demonstrating that the true majority are using the facility at varying times throughout the day and night.



Please consider that participants voted for more than one answer.

WHAT STYLE DO YOU PREFER TO RIDE?

SUMMARY:

The participants were asked to vote for the style of park they prefer most, with the majority preferring a combination of bowl/transition and street style facility. Votes counted for specifically street or transition style facilities were also quite close indicating a relatively even spread between the two and further justification for a space that facilitates both styles.



86

STREET/PLAZA



68

BOWL/TRANSITION



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A BIT OF BOTH

GATHERING IDEAS

BONDI SPECIFIC RESPONSES

The participants were also asked to respond to a series of questions specific to the existing Bondi skate facility.

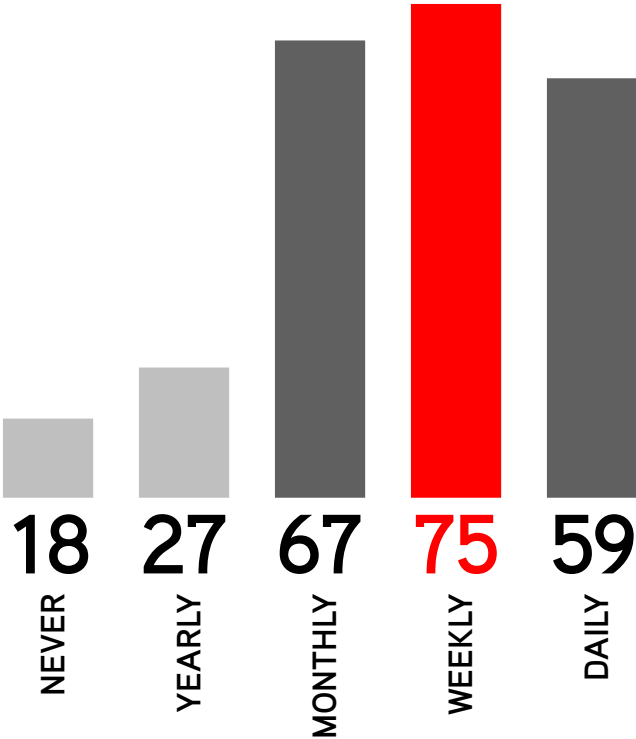
From the broad range of questions asked, ranging from yes/no answers to short paragraph responses, convic is able to distil several key themes and responses that had not previously been so extensively responded to in the formal pre-design consultations.

Insights into whether or not the existing facility was participants ‘local’ and features/elements that they liked or disliked as well as key wish list items helps Convic understand what the users interested in the facilities future think of the current Bondi Skate Park and ways in which this community think that it can be improved.

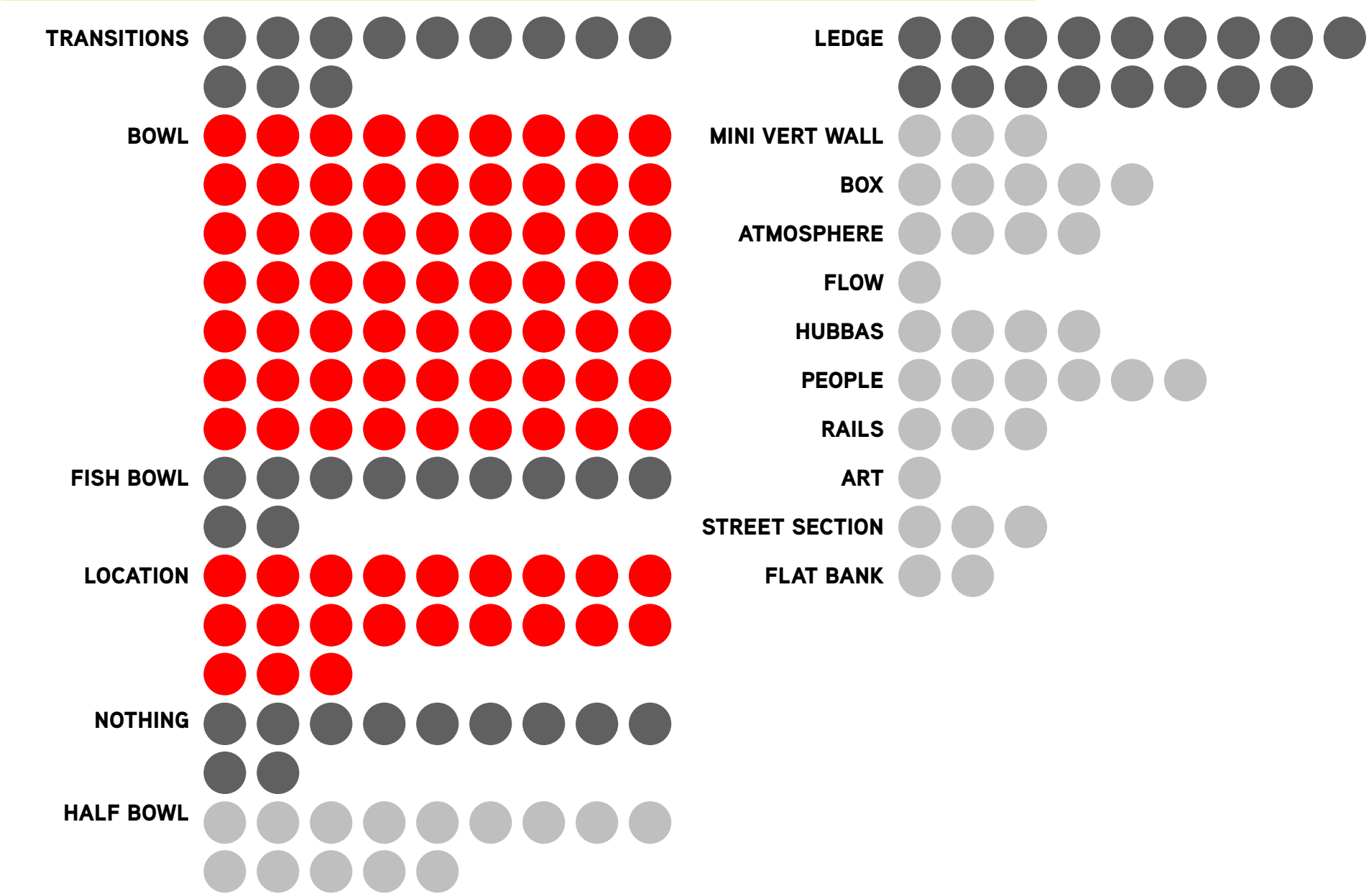
IS BONDI YOUR LOCAL?



HOW OFTEN DO YOU VISIT?

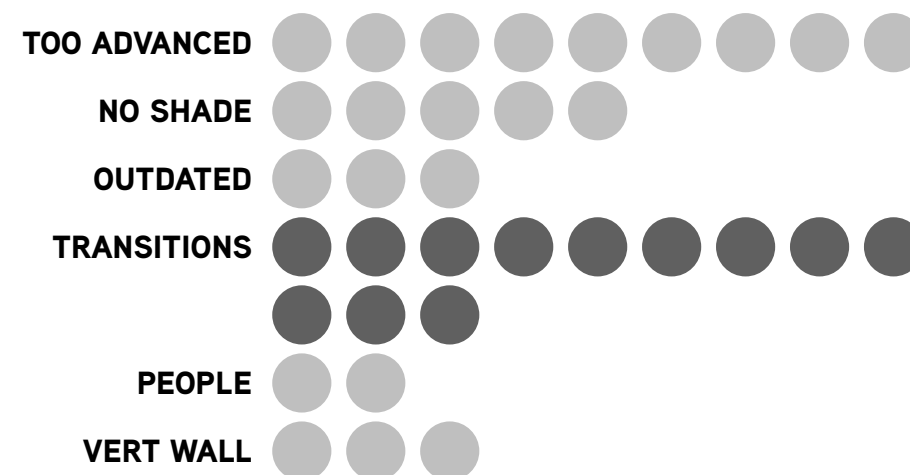
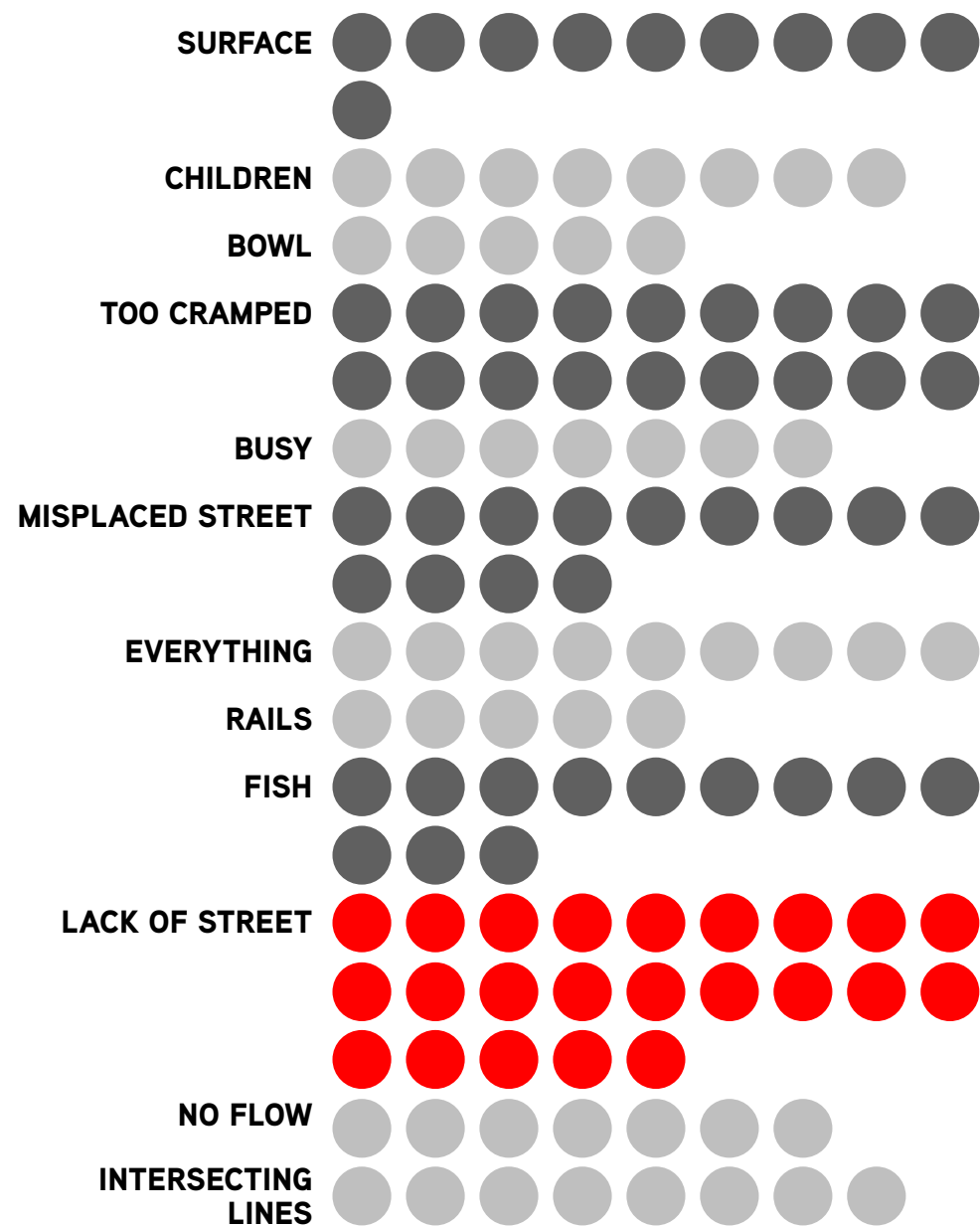


WHAT'S YOUR FAVOURITE THING ABOUT EXISTING BONDI SKATE PARK?

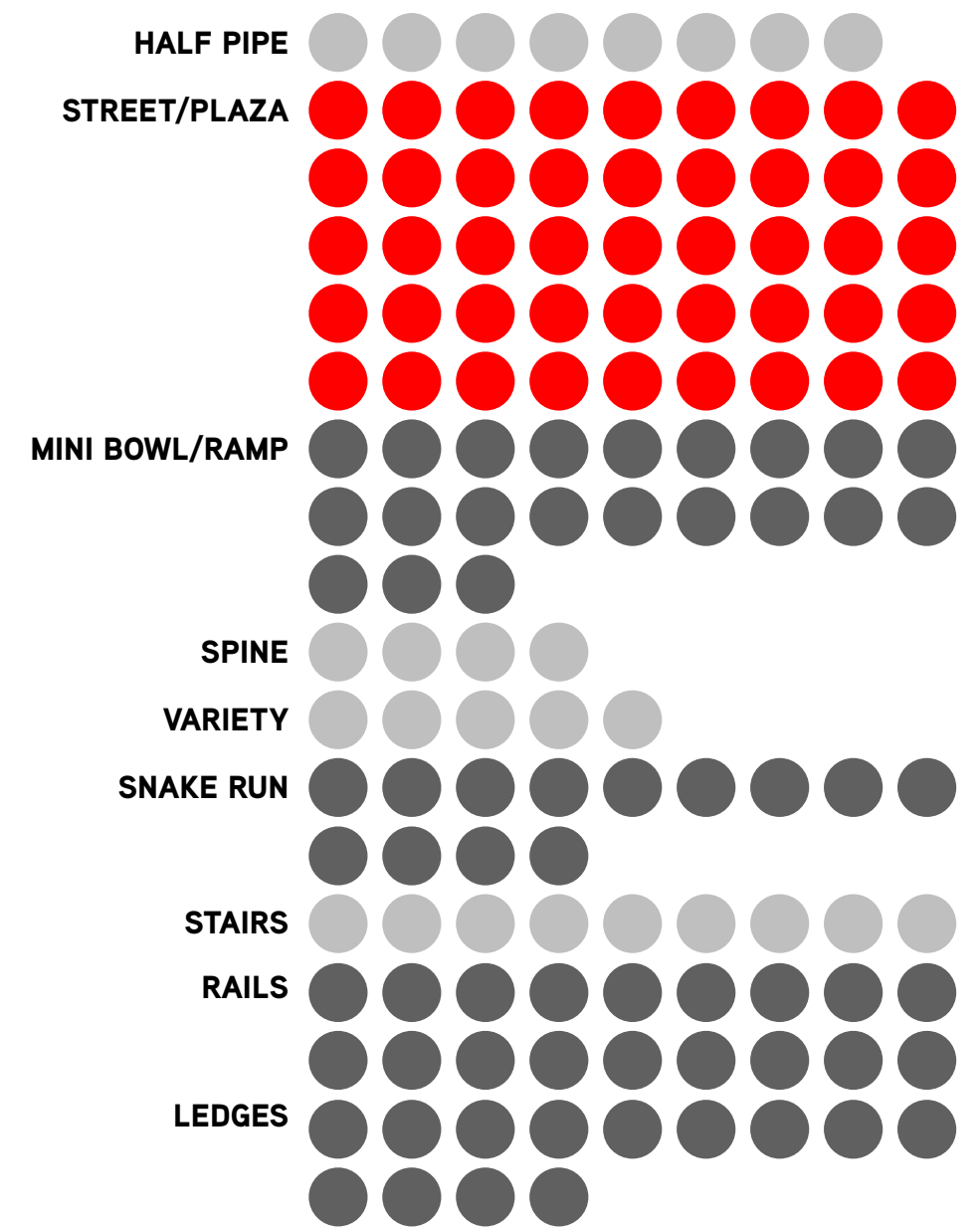


ONLINE FORUM GATHERING IDEAS

WHAT'S YOUR LEAST FAVOURITE THING?



IF YOU COULD HAVE ONE THING?



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CONCLUSION

THE COLLATION OF KEY OUTCOMES FROM CONVERSATIONS HAD WITH USERS AND THE COMMUNITY ARE ALL OUTLINED THEMATICALLY. THESE CREATE THE DESIGN VISION THAT WILL PROVIDE THE FOUNDATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE DESIGN FOR THE NEW BONDI JUNIOR SKATE PARK EXTENSION.

DESIGN VISION

The key community consultation outcomes, results gathered from pre-design consultations and questionnaires, project working groups, coaches workshops, discussions with the general public, stakeholders and results from the follow up consultation are summarised to inform the overall design brief.

ICONIC SKATE AREA

Skaters/BMX/scooter riders acknowledged both the aesthetic and technical aspects of skate elements. They saw the opportunity for the skate areas to contain a variety of sculptural and unique rideable pieces. This often included the idea of developing a coastal/sea theme to celebrate the iconic Bondi Beach and in particular the Bondi Mermaids. The skate facility should be an iconic space by developing a strong theme, including dynamic integration of art and materials, that represent the enthusiasm and creativity of the local community.

SKATE LEVEL PROVISION

A key item that has emerged from the consultations is the number of beginner level skaters identified. This will influence the design through the provision of beginner level obstacles, with potential for a separate informal beginners area that allows users to increase their confidence before moving into a more formal skate area. It is important that the facility also caters for natural progression of skills and continual challenge. Based on the consultation it is suggested that the existing advanced bowl addresses the needs of advanced level users.

SKATE TYPOLOGY

The high number of beginner skaters suggests that they have not yet defined their skate style. Therefore skate areas should consist of a mix of both transition/bowl and street style obstacles, to enable users to grow and develop their own individual style. It was identified that many users preferred a mixed style of obstacles, and did not favour transition bowl over street. It was suggested that the two styles should be integrated where possible to create a unique flowing skate typology.

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SKATE OBSTACLE PROVISION

Transition: A mini ramp and pump flow obstacles received the highest amount of attention, with the opportunity of an iconic feature return to the east of the park, working as a focal point along the promenade. An independent flow bowl for first time novices was considered ideal to avoid collisions between skill level user groups.

Street: The current skate park has limited functional street obstacles. As a result it was identified that more street was required to provide a balance in provision. The design should provide world class street obstacles that match the quality of the world class bowl. Obstacles such as hubba ledges, down rails, manual pads, A-frame, kicker to kicker and flat bank hips.

EXISTING SKATEPARK

Ideally the condition of the existing park should be improved, where possible to the level of the new extension.

Obstacles with low functional qualities are deemed suitable for removal, with the bowl being the only feature that was a high priority item to maintain.

Participants identified that to improve the overall skate park and integrate the extension appropriately, some demolition of the existing would need to occur. Demolition of the existing street obstacles was seen as essential. The shark/fish bowl was favoured by some participants but it was also recognised that some areas required demolition. Where feasible some sections of the fish bowl should be retained.

Refurbishment of the advanced bowl was a high priority including; replace all pool coping, replace all tiles, make the deep end true vert, remove the dip in the blend zone and fix drainage issues.

USER + SPECTATOR AMENITIES

To ensure a central community space with comfort for users and spectators, the facility should offer a number of social opportunities. The provision of areas of refuge is to be a priority. As well as ongoing activation potential of community events, competitions and workshops.

Throughout the consultation, participants demonstrated an interest in lighting the facility. Event lighting would assist in activating the space during the summer by avoiding the heat of the day as well as in the winter months. Lighting should be considered in future potential stages of the wider Bondi Beach and Bondi Park redevelopment.

CLIMATE

To increase the time the skate park is active through out the day, the concept should provide opportunities for shelter and respite from the sun, particularly in the hotter months of the year. This can be achieved by utilising shade trees and a dedicated shade shelter. This was identified as a high priority item.

Consideration needs to be taken towards the parks coastal location, to ensure it can withstand saltwater conditions and annual storms. Protection against sand and suitable drainage systems will be included where required.

LANDSCAPE INTEGRATION

The skate facility design should be integrated and seamless with the existing and proposed Bondi Beach & Bondi Park precinct, considering the physical and aesthetic links made between the skate facility design and the landscape design in order to create a holistic integrated facility for the use of the whole community.

ROUTES + CONNECTIONS

Pedestrian flow through the existing skate park was identified as a major issue. Conflict between skaters and spectators, inactive users and wider beach users was a high priority item to be addressed within the extension. Careful consideration will be required to the sites close relationship with the existing adjoining pedestrian routes and ensuring that the proposed extension remediates and improves the relationship between pedestrian and skate users. Key items to address will be formalising entry points and a defined hierarchy of space and connections to the promenade and parkland.

EVENTS

Ongoing activation is crucial for the success of the BJSP. Provision for potential community events, competitions and workshops should be considered, which may include, a temporary seating, temporary shelter, a stage area, GPO's and spectator space.

The annual Bowl-a-rama event will require space for future events in a similar layout. The current scaffolding system used for the Bondi Bowl-a-rama is flexible however a similar layout and size would be ideal. Views will need to be maintained for the current large stadium seating setup.

LESSONS LEARNT

Feedback and experience has shown that there are a number of ways that consultations could be improved in the future. It is important to continually review progress to date and identify opportunities to increase the quantity and quality of consultation outcomes. The following actions should be considered in the next stage of the consultation program.

Consultations must be advertised ahead of time and through different methods, in order to reach a wider audience. There should be an increased emphasis for advertising future rounds of consultation. The following methods are suggested:

- Advertising in school newsletters
- Attendance at school assemblies
- Advertisement in local papers
- Posters in public areas and local shops
- Posts on skate blogs
- Fliers distributed through Council networks
- Use of Bondi Bowl Riders and other community groups as conduits to the wider skate community.

NEXT STEPS

The next steps of the project will involve Convic preparing a draft concept plan for the BJSP. To do this, Convic will consider feedback from the consultations to date to ensure that the community views have been accommodated where possible in the design of the facility. In early July, the draft concept design will be presented to the community.

The outcomes of these consultations will be used to refine the draft concept design ahead of the final design.

APPENDIX 1 - CONSULTATION MANAGEMENT PLAN

STAGE	PROGRAM	LOCATION	GROUPS	OBJECTIVE	TOOLS/PROCESS	OUTCOME
COMMUNICATION STRATEGY Consultation and Engagement Planning	INCEPTION MEETING 1 x Convic COMPLETE	Council Offices Time: 2-3:30pm Date: March 4		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Understand previous consultation and engagement process(es).Review outcomes and report of consultation process.Compile a list of stakeholders, focus groups and community that have been previously consulted.Define the list of stakeholders, focus groups and community to engage and consult with for this project.Define roles and responsibilities of Convic and Waverley Council with regards to engagement strategy.	1.5 HOUR MEETING <ul style="list-style-type: none">Introduction of Convic and Waverley Council consultation team.Debrief of previous consultation and outcomes.Develop matrix for consultation management plan.	
	BOWL-A-RAMA CONSULT 3 x Convic COMPLETE	Bondi Beach Skate Park Time: 9-4:30pm Date: Feb. 20-21	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Local skate groupsPRO/AM SkateboardersLocal, National and International Community	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Create a working relationship with the stakeholders, focus groups, community and Council that will drive the design process and deliver plausible design outcomes.Educate, inform and inspire, stakeholders, the community and council of the potential options of an integrated skate and active youth space.Collate ideas, concerns and draw on the community and council knowledge and experience.Setup and inform of project parameters, opportunities, constraints, budget and scope.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Questionnaire survey to establish user demographics e.g. user skill level, user type, etc.Plan based study to collect information around the existing skatepark such as likes, dislikes and improvements to make.	
	PROJECT WORK GROUP 2 x Convic	Bondi Beach Pavilion Time: 6-7:30pm (TBC) Date: TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Local skate groupsSkateboard Australia representativeNSW Skate Association		1.5 HOUR WORKSHOP <ul style="list-style-type: none">20mins Workshop presentation with project background information, precedent images, examples of other facilities, and step by step workshop activity90mins Open desk top study focused around A1 plan to identify key opportunities and constraints of the existing park and proposed junior skate park extension.	
	LOCAL STAKEHOLDERS 2 x Convic	Bondi Beach Pavilion Time: 6-7:30pm (TBC) Date: TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Local TradersStakeholdersFocus Groups			
	LOCAL SCHOOLS 2 x Convic	Bondi Beach pavilion Time: 4-5:30pm (TBC) Date: TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Schools TBC			
	OPEN COMMUNITY 2 x Convic	Bondi Beach pavilion Time: 6-7:30pm Weekday (TBC) Date: TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Community WidePark UsersLocal skate groupsSocial media outlets		1.5 HOUR WORKSHOP <ul style="list-style-type: none">10mins Community Workshop presentation with precedent images, examples of other facilities, and step by step workshop activity10mins Questionnaire to understand community demographics.10mins Carry out voting exercise to collect and focus ideas. Precedent image references.5mins Focus groups divided into 5-10 participants per group.30mins Carry out a tactile design workshop including: Modelling Clay/Drawing Paper/Pens/Markers/Scissors/Glue Sticks.15mins Individual groups to present designs to wider focus group.5mins Participants vote for their favourite design to create a shared vision.5mins Summarise outcomes of workshop and list of key objectives of project for general understanding, consensus and agreement.	

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STAGE	PROGRAM	LOCATION	GROUPS	OBJECTIVE	TOOLS/PROCESS	OUTCOME
PRE-DESIGN WORKSHOP Creative Workshop and Project Vision	OPEN COMMUNITY 2 x Convic	Bondi Beach pavilion Time: 2-3:30pm Weekend (TBC) Date: TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Community WidePark UsersLocal skate groupsSocial media outlets	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Create a working relationship with the stakeholders, focus groups, community and Council that will drive the design process and deliver plausible design outcomes.Educate, inform and inspire, stakeholders, the community and council of the potential options of an integrated skate and active youth space.Collate ideas, concerns and draw on the community and council knowledge and experience.Setup and inform of project parameters, opportunities, constraints, budget and scope.	1.5 HOUR WORKSHOP <ul style="list-style-type: none">10mins Community Workshop presentation with precedent images, examples of other facilities, and step by step workshop activity10mins Questionnaire to understand community demographics.10mins Carry out voting exercise to collect and focus ideas. Precedent image references.5mins Focus groups divided into 5-10 participants per group.30mins Carry out a tactile design workshop including: Modelling Clay/Drawing Paper/Pens/Markers/Scissors/Glue Sticks.15mins Individual groups to present designs to wider focus group.5mins Participants vote for their favourite design to create a shared vision.5mins Summarise outcomes of workshop and list of key objectives of project for general understanding, consensus and agreement.	
DRAFT CONCEPT DESIGN	DRAFT CONCEPT CONSULT 2 x Convic	Bondi Beach Pavilion TIME: 6-7:30pm (TBC) Date: TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">All previously engaged groups to be invitedCommunity Wide	<ul style="list-style-type: none">To ensure the concept meets council needs and requirementsTo allow the community and stakeholders opportunity to provide feedback on the direction of the concept to ensure the design meets user needs and requirements.Resolve site constraints considering brief parameters and consultation outcomes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Consultation Boards for WorkshopConcept Design presentationOpen discussion and feedbackDesign brief	

APPENDIX 2 - ROUND 1 QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS

Distribution Where do you live?	
Bondi	39
NSW Beaches (Bronte etc) nearby	6
Newcastle	1
Cooks Hill	1
Redfern / inner city	3
Kings Langley	2
Glebe	1
Cronulla area and South beaches	11
Manly	1
NSW central coast (bar beach etc)	9
VIC	3
QLD	5
Overseas	4
Total Votes:	86

Age (*Some Participants did not answer)	
5-10	15
11-15	18
16-20	17
21-25	11
26-35	6
36+	16
Total Votes:	83
Gender (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Male	71
Female	11
Total Votes:	82
Expression Why do you ride? (*Some Participants voted more than once)	
Escape From Reality	4
Relax and De-stress	12
The Challenge	8
Sport and Fitness	5
Fun	28
Adrenaline	13
Express Myself	3
Thrills	6
Hang with Friends	20
Keeps Me Out Of Trouble	2
Freedom	7
I Don't Ride, But I Love to Watch	3
Make New Friends	3
Cause Its Cool	9
Total Votes:	123
Discipline What do you roll with? (*Some Participants voted more than once)	
Skateboard	68
BMX	6
Scooter	9
Inline	2
Long board / Penny board	2

Sport and Fitness	5
Fun	28
Adrenaline	13
Express Myself	3
Thrills	6
Hang with Friends	20
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Freedom	7
I Don't Ride, But I Love to Watch	3
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Total Votes:	123
Discipline What do you roll with? (*Some Participants voted more than once)	
Skateboard	68
BMX	6
Scooter	9
Inline	2
Long board / Penny board	2
Quad skate	1
Spectator	1
Total Votes:	89
Skill Level How well do you shred? (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Beginner	28
Intermediate	37
Advanced	11
Total Votes:	76
Useage Time What time do you ride? (*Some Participants voted more than once)	
7:00 - 11:00	18
11:00 - 15:00	18
15:00 - 19:00	39
19:00 - 23:00	20
Total Votes:	95
Useage Frequency When do you ride? (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Never	1
Yearly	1
Monthly	7
Weekly	31
Daily	44
Total Votes:	84

APPENDIX 2 - ROUND 1 QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS

Current Usage Where is your favourite place to ride and why? (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Bondi	26
Noble park	4
The streets	11
Five Dock	1
Bar Beach Bowl	1
Green Hills skatepark	4
QLD	4
Crestwood skatepark	1
Skateparks in general	9
Lincoln Plaza	1
Waterloo plaza	7
MONSTER INDOOR PARK	2
Helensburg	1
Sydney CBD	0
Overseas	3
Total Votes:	75
Skate Style Do you prefer to ride... (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Bowl + Transition	20
Both	37
Street + Plaza	12
Total Votes:	69
Is Bondi your local? (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Yes	41
No	38
Total Votes:	79
How often do you visit Bondi Park? (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Never	5
Yearly	22
Monthly	17
Weekly	19
Daily	17
Total Votes:	80
What brings you to Bondi today? (*Some Participants did not answer)	
BOWL-A-RAMA	58
Skate	11
Surf	1
Work	2
Local	3

Fun	6
Total Votes:	81
Does the Bondi skate park work well for events? (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Yes	31
No	2
Yes (Location)	28
No (Not enough space)	7
Total Votes:	68
Favorite thing about the existing Bondi skate park? (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Design	3
Close to beach	11
Bowl	28
Community	13
It has great flow	1
Chicks!	2
Ability to use it anytime	1
Coloured surface	1
Total Votes:	60
What changes would you make to the existing skate park? (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Bigger park area	23
Smaller ramps	14
Nothing	2
More street	20
Better design	2
Remove and replace street section	2
New coping in the bowl	2
Total Votes:	65
What would you like in the new park? (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Beginner / easier stuff	23
Tranny	11
More street	24
Wifi	1
Granite ledges	2
Spine	1
Mini ramp	1
Pump track	0
Water tap	1
Shade	4

Lights	4
Better parking facilities	1
Foam pit	1
Total Votes:	74
Further Comments Any further comments / Ideas?	
Thank you	3
Current design too cramped	2
Good luck	1
Separate scooter area	1
Total Votes:	7
Sticker Vote Dislike of existing	
Competition	0
Banks	2
quarter pipes	1
Down rail	3
hip	1
Car park	1
Flow area	2
ledges	2
stair set	2
Total Votes:	14
Sticker Vote Like of existing	
Competition	7
Banks	0
quarter pipes	0
Down rail	0
hip	0
Car park	1
Flow area	5
ledges	0
stair set	0
Total Votes:	13

APPENDIX 3 - ROUND 2 WORKSHOP QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS

Distribution Where do you live?		
Bondi		21
Coogee		2
Waverly		1
Wailara		1
Bronte		2
Matraville		1
Randwick		4
Newtown		1
Total Votes:		33
Age (*Some Participants did not answer)		
5-10		7
11-15		6
16-20		1
21-25		4
26-35		3
36+		13
Total Votes:		34
Gender (*Some Participants did not answer)		
Male		25
Female		8
Total Votes:		33
Expression Why do you ride? (*Some Participants voted more than once)		
Escape From Reality		8
Relax and De-stress		14
The Challenge		8
Sport and Fitness		15
Fun		19
Adrenaline		5
Express Myself		4
Thrills		4
Hang with Friends		13
Keeps Me Out Of Trouble		1
Freedom		9
I Don't Ride, But I Love to Watch		4
Make New Friends		6
Cause Its Cool		4
Total Votes:		114
Discipline What do you roll with? (*Some Participants voted more than once)		
Skateboard		24
BMX		9
Scoter		5
Inline		6
Cruiser		6
Other		1
Total Votes:		51

Skill Level How well do you shred? (*Some Participants did not answer)		
Beginner		11
Intermediate		9
Advanced		9
Total Votes:		29
Useage Time What time do you ride? (*Some Participants voted more than once)		
7:00 - 11:00		16
11:00 - 15:00		13
15:00 - 19:00		23
19:00 - 23:00		12
Total Votes:		64
Useage Frequency When do you ride? (*Some Participants did not answer)		
Never		2
Yearly		0
Monthly		9
Weekly		11
Daily		15
Total Votes:		37
Current Useage Where is your favourite place to ride and why? (*Some Participants did not answer)		
Street		5
Bicycle Tracks		1
Bondi		17
Flowry Bowls		1
Five Docks		1
Riverwood		1
Manly Vale		2
Home DIY		2
Waterloo		6
Newport DIY		1
Chifley		2
Park		1
Total Votes:		40
Skate Style Do you prefer to ride... (*Some Participants did not answer)		
Bowl + Transition		6
Both		11
Street + Plaza		7
Total Votes:		24
Is Bondi your local? (*Some Participants did not answer)		
Yes		23
No		6
Total Votes:		29
How often do you visit Bondi Park? (*Some Participants did not answer)		
Never		2
Yearly		0
Monthly		5
Weekly		11
Daily		11
Total Votes:		29

What is your favourite thing about the existing Bondi Skate Park and why? (*Some Participants did not answer)		
Street Art		1
Location / Proximity		4
Bowl + Transition		10
Community		4
Hubba		3
Euro Gap		1
Fish Bowl		2
Ledge		1
Mini		2
Waterfall		1
Vert		1
Volcano		1
Total Votes:		31
What is your least favourite thing about the existing Bondi Skate Park and why? (*Some Participants did not answer)		
Lack of social equipment		1
Lack of shade		2
The 'scene'		1
fish design does not work		2
All street obstacles		2
ights don't work		1
hubba		1
All transition obasacles		1
Rail		2
Doesn't cater to everyone		2
Foot traffic		3
Lack of street		1
Not good for beginners		2
Total Votes:		21
What skate features would you like to see in the new extension or related comments? (*Some Participants did not answer)		
Volcano		1
More Transition		2
Small Bowl		1
Gaps		1
Stairs		1
Out Rail		1
Flat Bar		3
Slappy		1
Vert extension		1
Diversity		1
Hubbas		1
More Street		3
Snake Run		1
Meet world standard of bowl		1
Total Votes:		19
What amenities would you like to see in the new extension or related comments? (*Some Participants did not answer)		
Sculptures		1
Bright colours		1
Lights		7
Shade		5
Water Fountains		2
Lockers		1
Chargers		1
Signage		1
BBQ		1
Integration		1
Art Features		3
Total Votes:		24

APPENDIX 4 - ROUND 3 CONSULTATION QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS

	COMMUNITY GROUP
	PROJECT WORKING GROUP 1
Participant No:	
Distribution Where do you live? (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Bondi	6
NSW Beaches (Bronte etc) nearby	1
Bellevue Hill	1
Chippendale	1
Edgecliff	1
Prymout	1
Total Votes:	11
Age (*Some Participants did not answer)	
5-10	2
11-15	8
16-20	1
21-25	3
26-35	1
36+	2
Total Votes:	17
Gender (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Male	17
Female	0
Total Votes:	17
Expression Why do you ride? (*Some Participants voted more than once)	
Escape From Reality	6
Relax and De-stress	7
The Challenge	4
Sport and Fitness	7
Fun	10
Adrenaline	5
Express Myself	2
Thrills	6
Hang with Friends	8
Keeps Me Out Of Trouble	4
Freedom	9
I Don't Ride, But I Love to Watch	0
Make New Friends	3
Cause Its Cool	3
Total Votes:	74
Discipline What do you roll with? (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Skateboard	15
BMX	0
Scooter	0
Inline	1
Long board / Penny board	0
Quad skate	0
Spectator	0
Total Votes:	16

Skill Level How well do you shred?	
Beginner	1
Intermediate	8
Advanced	8
Total Votes:	17
Useage Time What time do you ride? (*Some Participants voted more than once)	
7:00 - 11:00	6
11:00 - 15:00	5
15:00 - 19:00	7
19:00 - 23:00	3
All day	7
Total Votes:	28
Useage Frequency When do you ride?	
Never	0
Yearly	1
Monthly	0
Weekly	5
Daily	11
Total Votes:	17
Current Usage Where is your favourite place to ride and why? (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Bondi	4
Waterloo plaza	1
Dully	1
Five Dock	1
Chifley	1
Green Hills skatepark	1
Dalwich Hill	2
Anywhere + Everywhere	1
Sydney CBD	1
Total Votes:	13
Skate Style Do you prefer to ride... (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Bowl + Transition	1
Both	2
Street + Plaza	2
Total Votes:	5
Is Bondi your local? (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Yes	10
No	2
Total Votes:	12
How often do you visit Bondi Park? (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Never	1
Yearly	0
Monthly	0
Weekly	3
Daily	8
Total Votes:	12

Favorite thing about the existing Bondi skate park? (*Some Participants did not answer)	
Bowl	3
Everything	4
Ledge	2
Bank	3
Flat bar	1
T-cup	1
Lacation	1
Hubbas	1
Total Votes:	16
Least favorite thing about the existing Bondi skate park? (*Some Participants did not answer)	
No good street	2
The 'fish'	1
No flat ground	1
No beginner elements	1
Rough surface	1
Too cramped	2
Mini ramp	1
Total Votes:	9
What would you like in the new park? (*Some Participants answered more than once)	
Flat bar	2
Pumpable obstacles	1
Down rails	1
Ledges	2
Hubbas	1
More rails	2
Stairs	1
3-4ft Bowl	3
Remove / fix 'fish'	2
Mini Ramp	1
Wall Ride	1
More Street	1
Snake run	1
More Flow	1
More Space	1
Total Votes:	21
Further Comments Any further comments / Ideas?	
Small artificial grass section for beginners	1
Total Votes:	1

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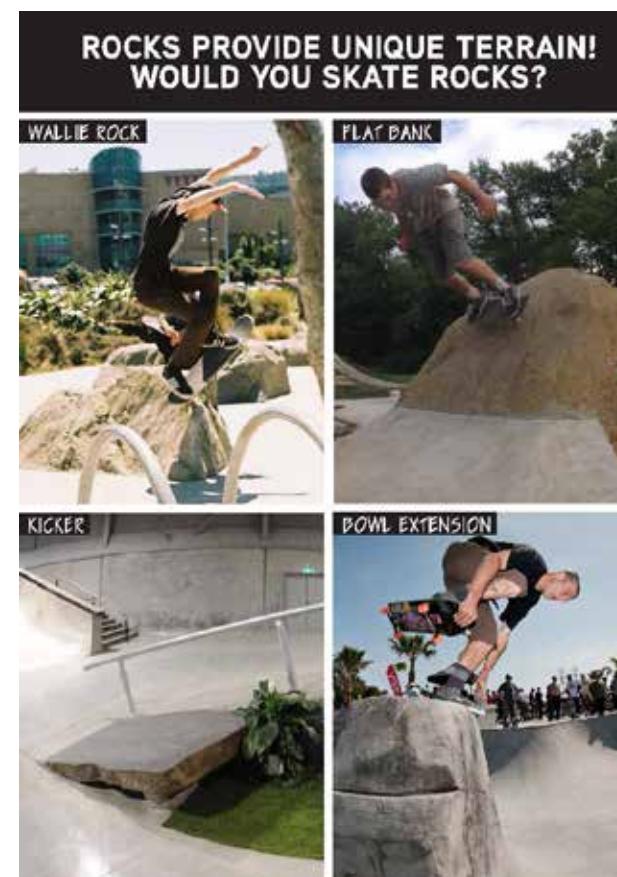
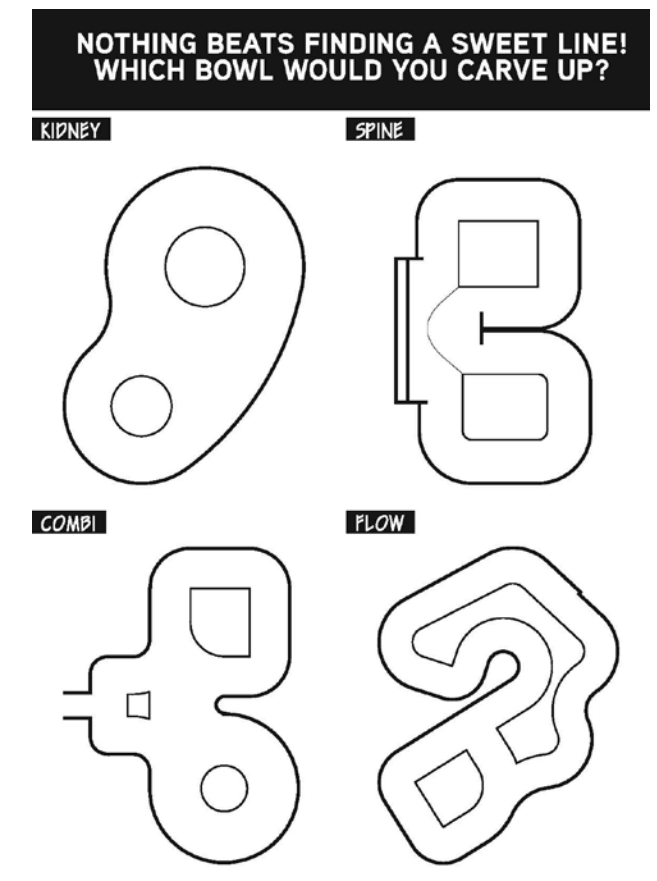
APPENDIX 5 - ONLINE SURVEY

Consultations were supported by an online survey through the council website.

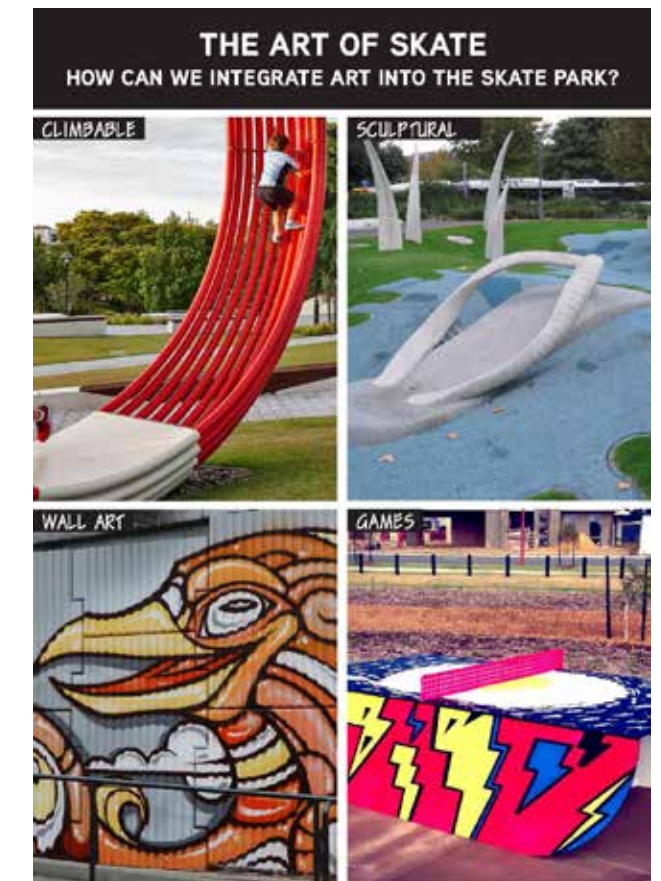
Text and image examples were compiled for viewing on the website. This allowed people to vote/comment on the type of obstacles they would like to see in extension.

Thirteen surveys were placed on the online covering skate facility features and ideas about public art. The online surveys provided are listed below.

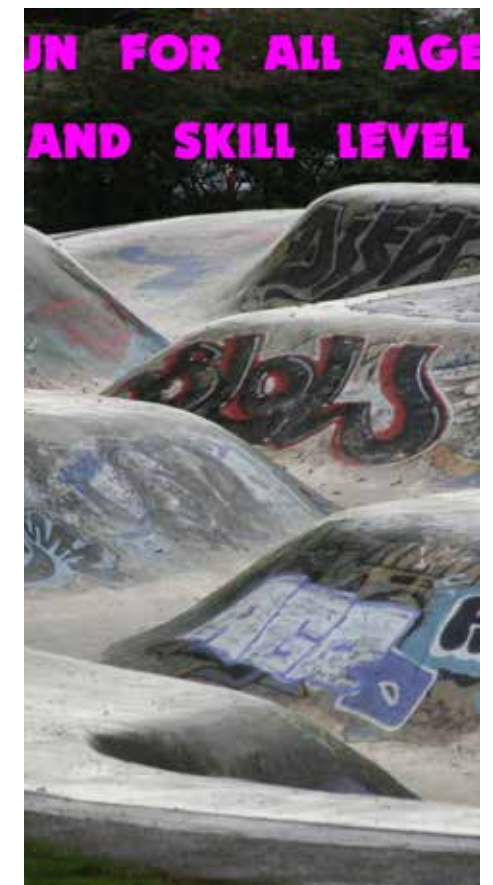
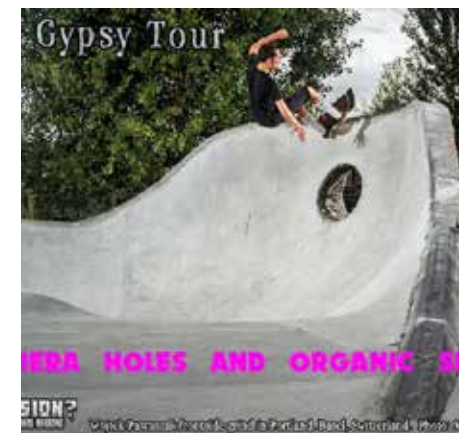
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- Bowl extensions survey
- Bowls survey
- Coping survey
- Direction survey
- Gaps 1 survey
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- Obstacles 1 survey
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- Obstacles 4 survey
- Rocks survey
- Street style survey



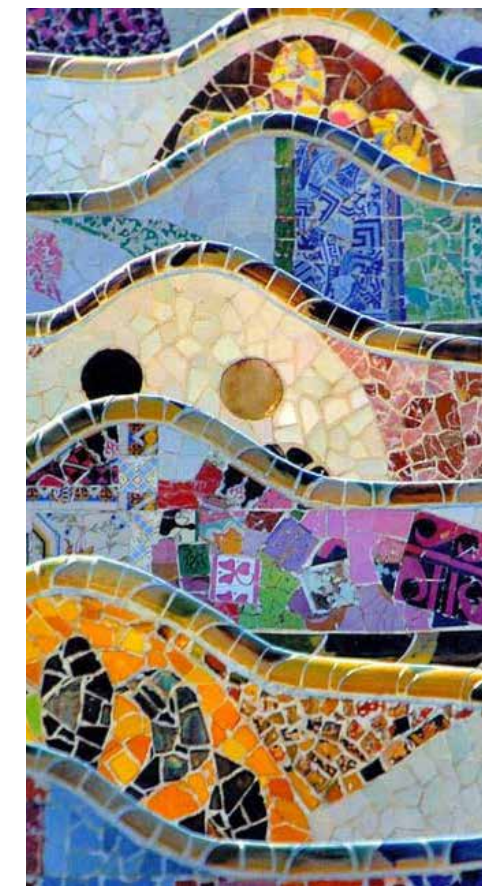
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APPENDIX 6 - USERS INPUT POST WORKSHOP



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APPENDIX 7 - WAYS INPUT

The following input was provided by Youth Work Coordinators David and Alleric from nearby WAYS Youth Services.

WAYS is very excited about the prospect of a new skate park and community space.

Here were some important points to consider:

- Have you thought about day time vs night time? The current space can be prone to anti-social behaviour when the sun goes down. Maybe lights are need? Cameras?
- Have you contacted all youth services in the Bondi area for consultation etc?
- Most kids (aged under 18) suing the park come from Rose Bay Secondary College and Bondi beach Public School. It's important that you approach these schools.
- Shading - It can be too hot down there when the sun is out. Shading is needed for skaters, parents, spectators, and people holding events
- Will any forms of security be considered to watch the park? Police? Private Security?
- Who will be responsible for maintenance? Someone needs to manage damages, up keep, and identify hazards.
- What role will local youth services play in the lead up to the new park and when the park is complete?
- What should people do if there is an emergency at the skate park? Is there signage? Who are the local emergency services responsible? The lifeguards?
- If there are community events (such as lessons and comps) planned for the new skate park who will run these? Will there be funding for these events from council?
- It is important for non skaters to feel comfortable being in the space, and moving around the space safely.
- Many people that come to the skate park have no idea about skate etiquette and skate safety

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