

HUDSON DISTRICT PARK PLAN OF MANAGEMENT

Dear Resident/Park User

Hudson Park Community Survey

Council is seeking your views on Hudson District Park as part of the process for preparing a new Plan of Management for the park.

Community consultation is an essential part of developing plans for public parks and reserves. Your views are important in determining the future planning and management of this park.

Hudson District Park is one of the Strathfield Council area's largest parks. It is located between Mitchell Road, Arthur Street and Centenary Drive Strathfield and contains significant recreation and community facilities.

This information package provides details about Hudson Park, the consultation process and how you can participate. There is also information on Council's website at **www.strathfield.nsw.gov.au**.

How to participate

You can participate by completing a short online consultation survey. Once you complete the survey, you can also enter the draw to win a \$50 shopping voucher.

Use the QR code or go to https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Hudsonpark. All surveys must be completed by Friday 30 April 2021.



A paper copy of the survey will be provided on request.

You can also make a submission by sending your comments to Hudson District Park Consultation, Strathfield Council, PO Box 120, Strathfield NSW 2135 or by email: **council@strathfield.nsw.gov.au**

If you require further information, please contact Cathy Jones, Executive Manager, Corporate Strategy and Performance on **9748 9937** or email: **cathy. jones@strathfield.nsw.gov.au.**

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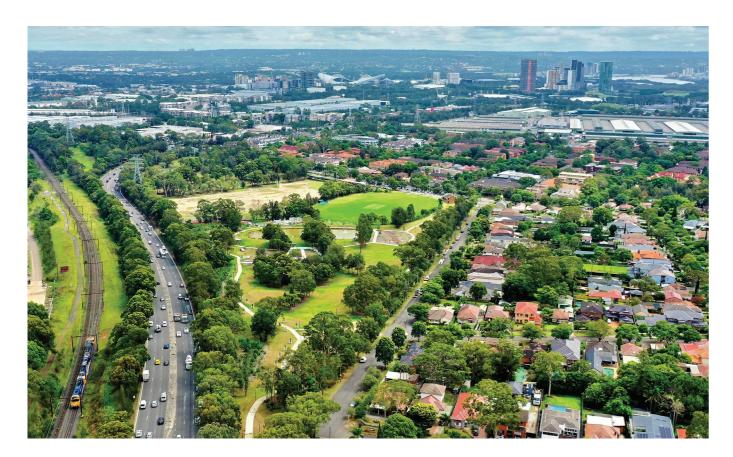
Hudson District Park is one of the Strathfield Council area's largest parks. It is located between Mitchell Road, Arthur Street and Centenary Drive Strathfield. The park is divided by Centenary Drive into two parts: Hudson Park West and Hudson Park East.

In 2019, Council closed the Hudson Park Golf Course due to falling patronage and under-utilisation and commenced a staged transformation of the land into a District Park. The Park has recently been upgraded with new features such as a large lake, pathways, mass tree plantings, seating and picnic areas as well as retaining Hudson Oval Sportsground and the Golf Driving Range.

The park is highly accessible by public transport, Strathfield Connector Bus and is a short walk to Flemington Rail Station. The Bay to Bay shared pathway is located on Mitchell Road linking the park from the south to the north of the Strathfield Council area and to regional destinations such as Botany Bay, Sydney Olympic Park and Ryde.

New Hudson District Park Plan of Management

Hudson District Park is mainly Crown Land and is managed by Strathfield Council. Crown Land is land owned by the NSW Government. Due to changes to legislation, plans of management must be prepared for Crown Land, similar to the management of land owned by Council. The new plan of management will guide the park's future management and involves community consultation.



Hudson District Park East

Hudson District Park East is located east of Centenary Drive and contains a sportsground (Hudson Oval) and a Golf Driving Range. This area is about 13 hectares in size. The areas of land formerly occupied by the golf course, are being transformed into district park in a staged approach. Stage 1 works have been completed which include; landscaping and open grassed areas with shelters and BBQs, additional tree plantings, new pathways and the building of a new lake and garden maze. A Sensory Garden and Pavilion (toilets and kiosk) are currently under construction.

Stage 2 works are likely to include active recreation areas including courts and children's playgrounds. There are also plans to reserve an area of the park for a future indoor recreation or community facility near the intersection of Arthur Street and Centenary Drive.



Hudson District Park West

Hudson District Park West is the area of the park located west of Centenary Drive. This area is about 3 hectares in size but is isolated by major roads, heavy traffic and the railway line on the southern boundary. There is limited pedestrian access to this area.

There is a proposal to relocate the Council works depot and Strathfield State Emergency Services (SES) office. This would occupy about 1 hectare of land. The residue of land at Hudson Park West would be maintained as park open space.



The process for preparing these plans

Once the initial community consultation is completed, feedback and suggestions from the community and park users will be assessed and a draft plan prepared.

Following consultation with NSW Crown Lands, draft plans will then be publicly exhibited and the community will have the opportunity to make comments during the exhibition period.

The final drafts will be prepared including consideration of community views and the plans will be presented to a future Council meeting for adoption.

