



# south perth



# foreshore



# 2013 and beyond “my foreshore our future”



# feedback survey results

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## FEEDBACK SURVEY RESULTS

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The draft (1 July 2013 Revision C) South Perth Foreshore 2013 and Beyond document is comprised of three parts:

Part 01: Opportunities and Feedback

Part 02: Context and Background

Part 03: Survey

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This document provides the survey results.

All survey comments are available on the City of South Perth website.



# **SOUTH PERTH FORESHORE 2013 AND BEYOND 'MY FORESHORE OUR FUTURE' FEEDBACK SURVEY RESULTS 1 JULY TO 30 AUGUST 2013**

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## Executive Summary

### The Survey

The online survey was available for submission from 1 July to 30 August 2013. Both Part 01 and Part 02 of the draft South Perth Foreshore 2013 and beyond and the survey were available from the City's website, and in paper format at the South Perth Civic Centre, George Burnett Leisure Centre, and South Perth and Manning libraries. The feedback period was widely advertised, initially available until 18 August, and then extended until 30 August.

The aim of the survey is to gauge opinions about the Objectives, Nodes and Opportunities listed in the draft Part 01 South Perth Foreshore document (developed from previous consultation undertaken during the earlier stages of this project, which commenced late 2012) and to prioritise which Objectives, Nodes and Opportunities should be considered in what order, for further more detailed planning. The Part 02 document provides Background and Context to the project. The aim is also to finalise the documents from their current draft (1 July 2013 Revision C) to the final South Perth Foreshore 2013 and beyond Strategy and Management Plan document, for consideration by Council later in the process.

### Feedback and Respondents

2632 people visited the South Perth Foreshore page on the City of South Perth's website during the feedback period 1 July – 30 August 2013. 978 People provided feedback. 934 Surveys were completed (online & paper), with 2/3 of people completing the entire survey, and one third of respondents opting out after Part A (as Part B with more detail on the Foreshore Nodes, was optional).

Over 75% of respondents were from the City of South Perth, with the remainder from metropolitan Perth, other than 3 people from country Western Australia and 1 from New South Wales. 53% of respondents were female, and 47% male; with almost half in the 35-59 age category, 28.3% over 60 years, 17.7% aged 25-34, and 4% under the age of 25.

### Comments

578 comments were provided with a survey response, with many lengthy, insightful and constructive comments received.

Of the 978 responses almost 10% may have been influenced by a separate local residents' campaign that ensued during the feedback period, with comments regarding sale and/or lease of public open space and the South Perth Foreshore, as advertised on flyers that were distributed, and rumours that circulated. The Mayor made a public statement at the August council meeting, "A public debate has erroneously generated some fear that the City of South Perth might consider selling some or all of its landholdings along South Perth Foreshore, or leasing for a period of 99 years. The City has publicly stated that it has no intention of selling land along the foreshore and that statement stands. We do not intend to sell land along the foreshore, nor will we enter into 99 year lease agreements for any part of it."

### Objectives

All of the South Perth Foreshore 2013 and beyond project's eight objectives, other than 'Facilitate economic development' rated highly with an average rating of over 3.5. This demonstrates strong support for the objectives. It highlights the need to consider a balance between economic development and the other objectives for the foreshore. The top 3 rated objectives were Encourage healthy lifestyles, Maintain vistas; and Develop and enhance existing parkland, flora and fauna.

## Opportunities for the foreshore

Opportunities for both Whole of Foreshore considerations and Node specific opportunities were listed, having been developed from the earlier stages of the project since late 2012, which included consultation with stakeholders and local residents and park users.

All 19 Whole of Foreshore opportunities rated over 3.0, indicating support, except for commercial activities, for which 367 people (over 1/3) placed low/ very low importance. The following 8 opportunities received ratings over 3.50:

2.1.2. Improve the paths for cyclists and pedestrians	4.07
2.2.2. Improve safety and lighting	4.02
2.4.5. Environmental improvements	3.80
2.2.1. Improve park facilities - signage, toilets, bins etc	3.79
2.2.3. Increase shade and shelter	3.74
2.1.6. Improve access for all	3.61
2.1.1. Develop an integrated public transport network	3.60
2.3.5. Outdoor activities and facilities	3.57

People were asked to rank the Nodes from 1 to 10 in order of how important they felt it was to revitalise each of the 10 nodes of the foreshore. 879 people provided rankings of the 10 nodes of the South Perth foreshore. Ranked in order of 'how important it is to revitalise', with 1 being the most important, and 10 being the least important:

1. **Mends St**
2. **Coode St**
3. **Mends St Beach**
4. **Coode St Beach**
5. **Mill Point**
6. **Deck/ Melaleuca Grove/ Scented Garden**
7. **The Lakes**
8. **Esplanade West**
9. **Flag Pole**
10. **Ellam Street**

Mends Street, as the foreshore node ranked the most important to revitalise, had all of its opportunities rated highly. The highest importance was placed on creating a pedestrian friendly piazza and promenade; followed by lighting, jetty improvements, integrated transport and creating an entry and gateway for South Perth at Mends Street, and also increased activation along the Mends Street retail strip. Improving shade and shelter at Mends Street Beach also had high to very high importance placed on it.

The Coode Street area, which was ranked of second importance, had all of the opportunities listed rated positively; with upgrading family recreation facilities, including playground facilities and improving transport options and connectivity considered to be the three most important of the opportunities presented. The highest rated opportunity for the Coode St nodes was for improved shade and shelter at the Coode Street Beaches, which ranked as the fourth node in order of importance to revitalise.

Specific opportunities for each of the ten nodes, ratings and comments are provided in the following report.

## Conclusion

The survey results provide valuable information on the Objectives, Nodes and Opportunities listed in the draft Part 01 South Perth Foreshore document to assist with prioritising future planning and revitalisation. This information, along with other recommendations provided during the feedback period, will be incorporated into the final South Perth Foreshore 2013 and beyond Strategy document and Management Plan, for consideration in decision making by Council later in the process. Refer the City's website for more information on the project's stages and timeline.

## The feedback period – The Survey & Respondents

**We asked the people of Perth to share their views on the South Perth Foreshore – through our My Foreshore-Our Future feedback and Survey**

### The South Perth Foreshore

Area = 64 Hectares  
= an 18 hole golf course  
= 9 x Richardson Park

Narrows Bridge to the west through to Ellam St on the eastern border with Town of Victoria Park.

### Feedback Results

**2632 People visited the South Perth Foreshore page on our website during the feedback period 1 July – 30 August 2013**

**978 People provided feedback**

**934 Surveys were completed (online & paper)**

**1/3** OF THE PEOPLE COMPLETED **PART A** ONLY; AND THE REMAINING

**2/3** OF PEOPLE COMPLETED THE ENTIRE SURVEY – **BOTH PART A & B**

(Part B being the optional part, with more detail on the separate Foreshore Nodes)

### What did the Survey ask?

The aim of the survey is to gauge opinions on and priorities for the Objectives, Nodes and Opportunities listed in the draft Part 01 South Perth Foreshore 2013 and beyond document. The draft was developed from previous consultation which commenced in late 2012.

This survey feedback will be used to assist in finalising the documents from their current draft to the final strategy document, for consideration by Council later in the process. More information on the process and project timeline is available on the City's website.

The survey consisted of the following sections:

#### **Survey Section A**

- A1 Objectives - to rate 8 objectives of the project
- A2 Whole of Foreshore Opportunities - to rate opportunities that have been identified for 4 Whole of foreshore topics:
  - Transport and access
  - Servicing and infrastructure
  - Activation (activities on the foreshore)
  - Culture, environment and heritage
- A3 Nodes - to rank the 10 foreshore nodes (refer map), from 1 to 10

#### **Survey Section B (optional)**

B1 Nodes – Opportunities - to rate opportunities listed for each of the 10 nodes.

#### **Comments (optional)**

The survey provided the opportunity to write comments at the end of the survey.

### How much time did the Survey take?

The survey took 10 – 20 minutes approximately, plus reading time of the documents, with Part A taking 5 - 10 minutes, and Part B, the optional part of the Survey, taking a further 5 to 10 minutes.

## Respondents

Of the 934 Surveys completed:

### CITY OF SOUTH PERTH RESIDENTS

739 PEOPLE = **over 75%**

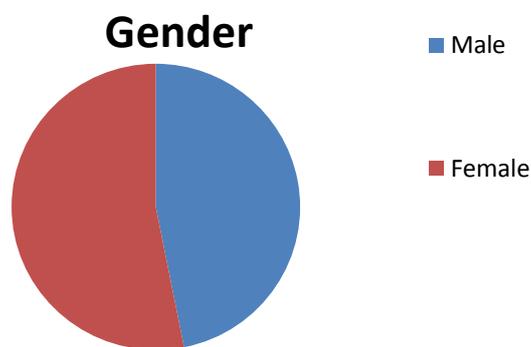
POSTCODE 6151 (South Perth and Kensington) = 55% (541 PEOPLE)

POSTCODE 6152 (Como, Manning, Salter Point, Waterford) = 20% (198 PEOPLE)

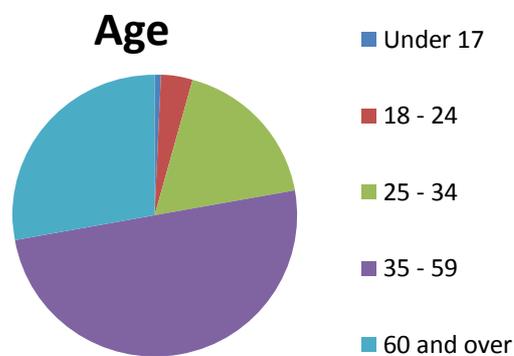
### PERTH RESIDENTS – 24.6%

All other respondents were from metropolitan Perth, other than 4 people, 1 each from Albany, Dandaragan, Gelorup and New South Wales.

**53% FEMALE/ 47% MALE**



### AGE RANGE



-Answer Options	Response Percent
Under 17	0.6%
18 - 24	3.9%
25 - 34	17.7%
35 - 59	49.6%
60 and over	28.3%

## Comments

**578 Comments** were provided with a Survey response.

All 578 comments in full are available on our website.

The comments included in this report are quoted in italics. Each quote was provided by the one survey respondent. Where only part of the full comment has been quoted '...' is indicated.

For example:

*If the outcome is similar to **Brisbane's South Bank**, but with appropriate free open space for community use and access, the council will have done well...*

### General comments

*It's an exciting time ahead & I'm looking forward to seeing what you make of the area. Thanks*

*Congratulations, there are many examples proposed. So let's do some of them. Importantly let's do some which are unusual, quirky, unique or iconic!*

*Thank you for putting this survey together. A great insight to what you are considering upgrading in the area, especially given we are new residents.*

*Let me begin by saying that I have read the two documents and was very inspired by the ideas put forward. It would be wonderful to see some or all of these initiatives being put in place. Perth would be a better city for them. My main concerns arise from the potential for there to be an over-reliance on City of South Perth rate-payers to fund the planning and implementation of the proposed projects.*

*Please let me conclude by congratulating the team behind the project for its vision. Some wonderful ideas have been put forward. I believe it is important to focus on obtaining federal, state and commercial funding before proceeding.*

*The City should keep front & centre that it owes a primary obligation to residents in the vicinity and that their amenity should, at a minimum, be preserved and hopefully enhanced by changes.*

*I think it is a fantastic idea to have a survey to decide the changes of the Swan River for 2013 and beyond, but I think there are still some amazing things that are part of the Swan River already that should not be changed.*

*I would love to see some well-considered improvements to the area but definitely not large scale changes that remove the natural feel of the foreshore. I strongly discourage business/structural development as a focus of the planning as the SP foreshore currently provides a lovely contrast to the built up city areas on the other side of the river. I would love for all future works to maintain that vibe. Many thanks for the opportunity to comment.*

*Please find a intelligent way to balance feedback from the community. There is a vocal minority who will most likely address issues that don't reflect the aspirations of the younger generations. New residential development sites identified along the foreshore for affordable youth housing (for example 100m2 apartments).*

*This foreshore survey is worded in such a way that it does not reflect what we really want (hence the added 'not wanted' column) which is basically to leave the foreshore alone. ...*

*I support most of the objectives and specific aspects within the proposed foreshore plans. These have provided a very good basis for longer term thinking. I particularly like the incorporation of sustainability principles and a balance between essential commercial interests and availability of open space for people now and a long way into the future.*

*Please leave the foreshore undeveloped, as it is a fantastic asset to all of Perth, with intangible value that way exceeds any short term financial gain. I remember sitting there on summer days with my grandparents, and I hope to do the same with my grandchildren.*

*It is crucial to get the balance right to maintain a beautiful area of the city without over-commercialisation but still attract more people to ensure it is utilised.*

*Any substantial developments should be part of an overall plan for Perth Water, from King's Park to Burswood, in cooperation with the City of Perth and the State Government. In particular the important Mill Point site should have an ambitious long - term plan which would involve removing the road from the bridge to the Esplanade, introducing a ferry service to the city, establishing a significant museum (Aboriginal/ Colonial history ?) rehabilitating Miller's Pool and introducing restaurants etc.*

### Comments re sale, lease, commercialisation/ commercial development of land...

During the survey period, a separate campaign by a small number of local residents ensued, which included the distribution of flyers, by letterbox distribution and by distribution of printed flyers at council meetings. The flyer information and other verbal information that circulated included their interpretation about the City of South Perth Public Open Space Strategy 2012 and this project, as being intended to set up the sale and/or long term lease of foreshore land. Major commercialisation such as multi storey apartments and businesses being built on the foreshore were also rumoured.

Mayor of South Perth, Sue Doherty made a public statement at the August council meeting, "A public debate has erroneously generated some fear that the City of South Perth might consider selling some or all of its landholdings along South Perth Foreshore, or leasing for a period of 99 years. The City has publicly stated that it has no intention of selling land along the foreshore and that statement stands. We do not intend to sell land along the foreshore, nor will we enter into 99 year lease agreements for any part of it."

The flyers and rumours had the potential to skew the results somewhat, with some of the flyers indicating a preference for how the survey should be completed, including providing particular comments.

Of the **978** responses **95** (almost 10%) of these or very similar comments were received, similar to the quote which was advertised on flyers:

*"Opposed to any public open space (POS) land sale or long term lease term. Lease of POS to be maximum of 25 years for ALL PARKS particularly in the South Perth Foreshore and beyond 2013 proposal. Opposed to high density commercial in public open space parkland. Commercial should comprise of low inconspicuous structures which keep within the amenity the park area. Retain the beauty of the vista river and city views & tranquility of the park. "*

*NO commercialisation of park*

*No sales of foreshore public lands. No lease of foreshore land beyond 21 years*

[And other similar comments with 10years, 25 years, 30 years, and 40 years stated.]

*Opposed to any Public Open Space land sale or long term lease term.  
Opposed to high density commercial in Public Open Space parkland.  
Retain the beauty of the vista river and city views and tranquillity of the park.*

*...I oppose the commercialization of the foreshore, if this means it can be sold off now or in the future. I believe the open space should not be reduced at all...*

*I am in favour of certain additional commercial activities, development along the foreshore as long as it is tasteful and improves enjoyment of the area... I am not in favor of significant components of this wonderful area being sold to residential developers.*

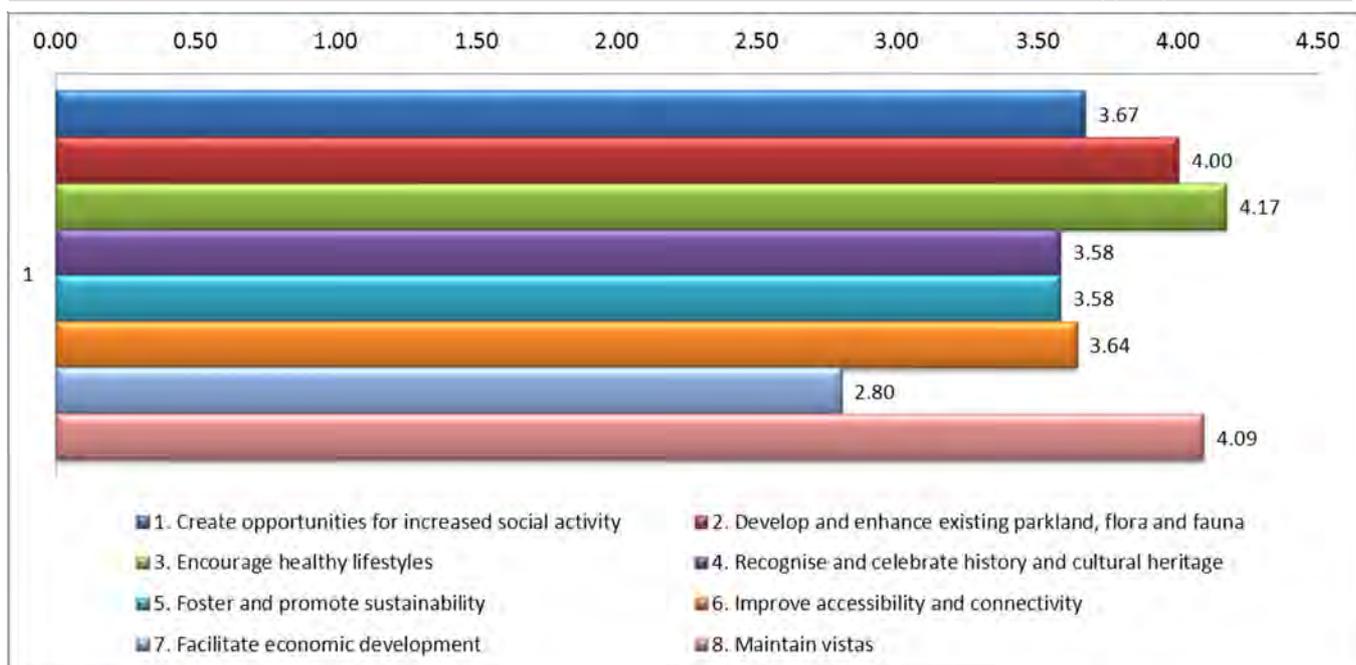
*I love the park as it is and am opposed to large scale commercial development and large events for which the park is too small and too close to residences. There should be no more apartments or residences allowed on the park. None of the park should ever be sold but retained always for public space. It is our "Communal Backyard" and is precious, performing an important ecological role for our City and its residents. I am anxious about the statement "Doing nothing is not an option" if that implies more emphasis on commercialisation. \$800,000 maintenance is not a huge amount in terms of Council revenue and should be accepted as a low price to pay for a "Jewel" in the City's assets. Thanks to all staff who care for our parks, they do a great job.*

## OBJECTIVES

[Survey Question 1.0]

**Please rate how important each of these objectives are in relation to the South Perth Foreshore.**

Answer Options	Very low importance	Low importance	Neutral	High importance	Very high importance	Rating Average	Response Count
1. Create opportunities for increased social activity	81	65	157	380	227	3.67	910
2. Develop and enhance existing parkland, flora and	57	48	102	337	366	4.00	910
3. Encourage healthy lifestyles	16	23	119	385	367	4.17	910
4. Recognise and celebrate history and cultural	45	93	254	324	194	3.58	910
5. Foster and promote sustainability	123	48	153	350	236	3.58	910
6. Improve accessibility and connectivity	59	90	197	339	225	3.64	910
7. Facilitate economic development	263	117	191	219	120	2.80	910
8. Maintain vistas	29	53	159	237	432	4.09	910
<i>answered question</i>							<b>910</b>
<i>skipped question</i>							<b>24</b>



All objectives, other than ‘facilitate economic development’ rated highly with an average rating of over 3.5. This demonstrates strong support for the South Perth Foreshore 2013 and beyond project’s objectives. It highlights the need to consider a balance between economic development and the other objectives for the foreshore.

*Re Objective 7 Economic development - the balance of the Vision of the City of South Perth with Reserve status, with 'economic sustainability of the park'...let us call on true wisdom to guide us.*

### The top 3 rated objectives, which rated over 4.0:

#### #1 Encourage healthy lifestyles

Av. 4.17 & 752 high/ very high importance

*I would love to see an outdoor roller skating rink. Perth has the perfect climate for such a quiet and healthy activity. If it was surrounded by picnic benches and shaded picnic areas it would be a wonderful way to increase fitness. Studies have shown that obese children who do not like to exercise because of weight issues embrace roller skating much more readily than other sports. I would also like to see allowing an Italian style gelato van visiting rights at the foreshore. Generally gelato are healthier than traditional soft serve icecream.*

*Please leave something of our central CBD river unspoilt unlike the Elizabeth Quay development across the water. This is a very important public space for exercise and community without needing formal development.*

*It is one of the most charming aspects of Perth and to over develop the commercial interests would be to damage the city's charm.*

*I use the South Perth foreshore 2-3 times per week for exercise and activities. The current facilities are excellent and I would be opposed to any major changes in access and any reduction in the current open spaces and trees. I would support planting more trees.*

*I would like to see it maintained for families, walkers, bike riders. I like the exercise equipment. Don't want it to become more commercial than it is at present. Keep for passive recreation please!*

*The majority of people using the foreshore for pleasure, exercise, it allows us all to walk, run, exercise the dog and enjoy the open spaces and water vistas.*

## **#2 Maintain Vistas**

Av. 4.09 & 669 high/ very high importance

*Any developments to the foreshore should not detract from the views of the Perth skyline.*

*My highest priority is the provision of a larger number of cafes along the foreshore, where I could drink coffee and admire the view.*

*Need to preserve and conserve valued vistas and landscapes and not over commercialise.*

*Retain as much open space and vistas across the river to the city as possible. Studies show people who live near open space are healthier (physical and mental).*

*Retain the beauty of the vista river and city views and tranquility of the park.*

*My opinion is that the Council should leave the South Foreshore as it is - the vista should be left undisturbed*

*...Would it not be great to have wind protected eateries and a board walk with the city as a vista!!!! Choice of venue is what is required, with uninterrupted city views day and night.*

*We have kilometres of beautiful riverfront on our doorstep but all the cafes and restaurants seem to have tried incredibly hard to avoid water views. Cocos is directly on the river but few tables have a view and the designers of the Boatshed kiosk decided that the children's play area should get a river view and that diners would prefer to look at the car park. Please can we just have one cafe with a view?*

*...I think the views across to the city from South Perth are the best in Perth.*

*...It's such a beautiful area with lovely views to the city, unpolluted with dolphins in the river. I think we should be proud & make it better & promote to tourists to show it off.*

## **#3 Develop and enhance existing parkland, flora and fauna**

Av. 4.00 & 703 high/ very high importance

*Enhancing flora and fauna and the natural environment should be a priority.*

*I have just purchased into the suburb of South Perth. The biggest influence on my decision was the parks and cycle facilities available here, compared to other near city suburbs. Many of the Northern inner city suburbs have quite possibly many advantages over South Perth but the parks and open space here are far superior.*

*Please respect the native flora and fauna as a priority. ...Commercial activity should be kept to a minimum. Respecting the natural beauty of the area a priority.*

*Strong supporter of food gardens as a practical, educational and cultural heritage recognition initiative. The park needs more native vegetation as it will increase native bird food and habitat, once established not require the expense of irrigation and provide more shade. Linkage with rest of Perth water surrounds to increase usage and hence justify expenditure from sources other than City of South Perth/Vic Park.*

*...The best thing about South Perth foreshore is it's elegance through simplicity and nature. This is rare to find and seems to get lost in pursuit of commercialisation and money as cities 'develop'. The worst thing that could*

*be done to the foreshore is to remove it's natural beauty through commercialising it and losing that great space that promotes a healthy life, peacefulness, a place to exercise, spend time with family and friends and a great space amongst a city; it would be very sad to see it lost through over development... IT'S GREAT FOR WHAT IT IS TODAY.*

*The parklands are beautifully maintained by conscientious groundsmen. Some more signposting to separate walkers from cyclists and significantly more historical perspectives perhaps attached to the proposed shade structures would be welcome.*

*There were some fantastic ideas in the brochure. I especially like that CoSP would like to maintain the character of the foreshore -- which makes it great for recreation, picnicking, and nature appreciation. It would be a shame to overdevelop this site and destroy its magic. CoSP should not invest further in car parking at the foreshore because this primarily benefits non-ratepayers. The foreshore is also an important, safe and direct cycling link for residents and non-residents. The cycle path should be straightened. At intersections with the car parks, right of way should be given to the most vulnerable users first -- 1. Pedestrians, 2. Cyclists, 3. Motor traffic.*

*The foreshore is a fabulous open space that should be maintained for public and community use, and this should be its main focus.*

The remaining objectives all ranked highly between 3.58 and 3.67:

### **Create opportunities for increased social activity**

### **Improve accessibility and connectivity**

### **Recognise and celebrate history and cultural heritage**

### **Foster and promote sustainability**

*...I would love to see more social activity near the foreshore and would be so pleased if there was better quality and more availability of food and drinks options to encourage that. Having a view is boring without enjoying it with your family and friends! We live near Wesley College work in the city - a Cat service connecting to the ferry would be most welcome.*

*...Create a linked history/ culture info, along entire foreshore...*

*... I'd like to see any interpretive material on the foreshore have a link -directly- to a web page for that particular location/signage at the CoSP web site. If CoSP have or can develop a close association with the historical society, I think it would be a valuable archival record to host as much material as possible on CoSP servers.*

*We need a good mix of park land, tourism/ cafeteria/ restaurant facilities and natural river frontage...*

*All improvements should be undertaken with an appropriate level of environmental planning and sustainability management.*

*...I am keen to see the area developed and improved but with sustainability and access ranked high in the planning stages. I don't believe that economic development should play much of a part in the development. The area should be kept as natural as possible - this does not preclude building or other such structures but any development should be low key, low lying and able to be utilised by everyone.*

## OPPORTUNITIES

Opportunities for both **Whole of Foreshore** considerations and **Node** specific opportunities were listed. These had been developed from the earlier stages of the project which included consultation with stakeholders and local residents and park users.

People were also asked to rank the Nodes from 1 to 10 in order of how important they felt it was to revitalise each of the 10 nodes of the foreshore.

Results follow for

### **Whole of Foreshore opportunities**

- **Transport and Access**
- **Servicing and Infrastructure**
- **Activation**
- **Culture, Environment and Heritage.**

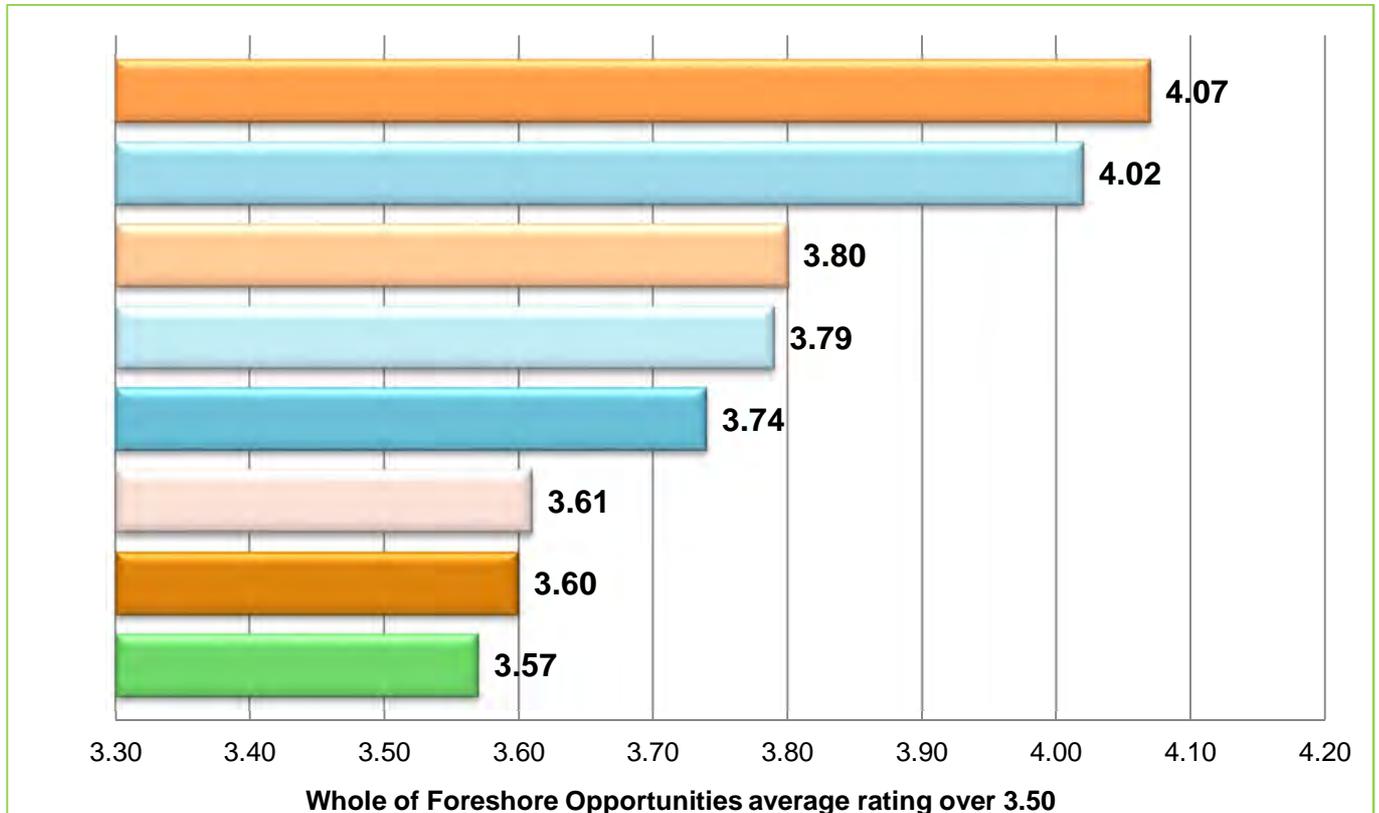
### **Nodes ranking**

### **Nodes' opportunities**

## WHOLE OF FORESHORE OPPORTUNITIES

[Survey Questions 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4]

**Of all of the 19 Whole of Foreshore opportunities, across the 4 topics, the highest rated opportunities, all with an average rating of over 3.50:**



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2.4.5. Environmental improvements	3.80
2.2.1. Improve park facilities - signage, toilets, bins etc	3.79
2.2.3. Increase shade and shelter	3.74
2.1.6. Improve access for all	3.61
2.1.1. Develop an integrated public transport network	3.60
2.3.5. Outdoor activities and facilities	3.57

The following pages provide the results for each of the 4 Whole of Foreshore topics, and the specific opportunities identified for each:

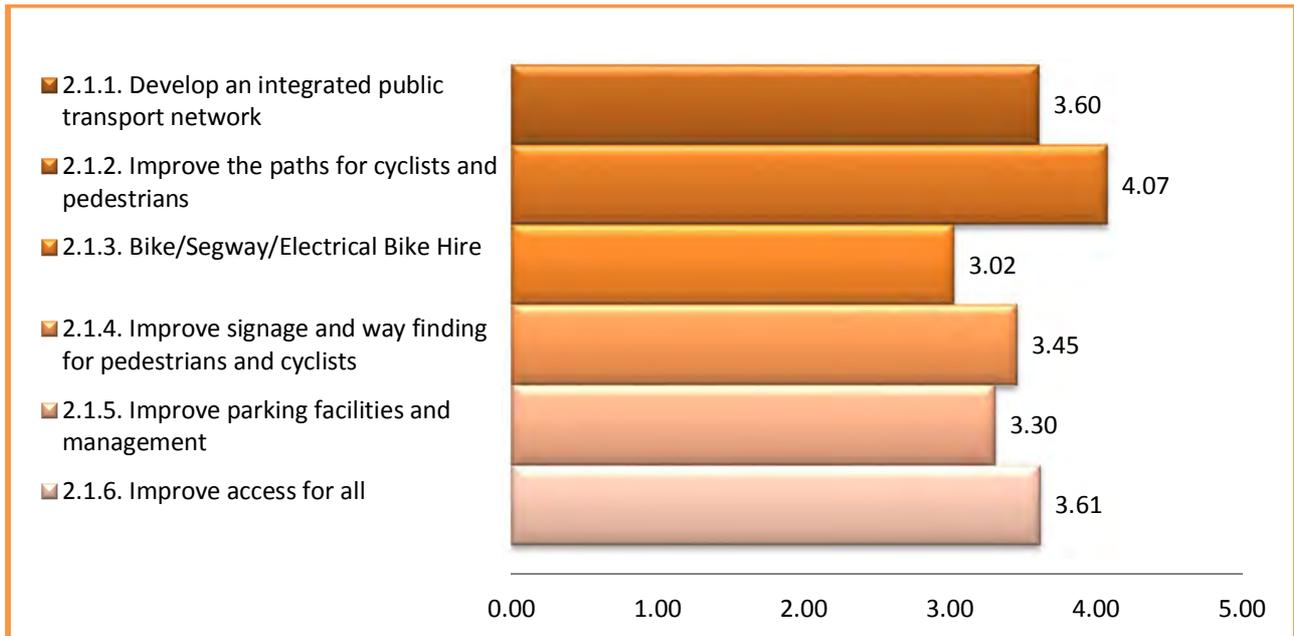
- **Transport and Access**
- **Servicing and Infrastructure**
- **Activation**
- **Culture, Environment and Heritage.**

## WHOLE OF FORESHORE: TRANSPORT & ACCESS

[Survey Question 2.1]

### 2.1 Transport and access (Part 01, p12)

Answer Options	Very low importance	Low importance	Neutral	High importance	Very high importance	Rating Average	Response Count
2.1.1. Develop an integrated public transport network	81	75	177	350	209	3.60	892
2.1.2. Improve the paths for cyclists and pedestrians	28	39	120	365	341	4.07	893
2.1.3. Bike/Segway/Electrical Bike Hire	125	156	292	211	107	3.02	891
2.1.4. Improve signage and way finding for pedestrians and cyclists	62	105	252	317	155	3.45	891
2.1.5. Improve parking facilities and management	96	116	241	299	140	3.30	892
2.1.6. Improve access for all	57	67	228	357	184	3.61	893
<i>answered question</i>							<b>895</b>
<i>skipped question</i>							<b>39</b>



These numbers of people placed high or very high importance on:

**706 (3/4 people) – Improving the paths for cyclists and pedestrians**

This was the highest rated opportunity for all of the Whole of Foreshore opportunities.

**559 - Developing an integrated public transport network**

**551 – Improving access for all**

*Comments on transport and access:*

*Walking bridge to the city to improve peak hour traffic.*

*...East-west transport options poor at the moment. Our potential use of the ferry is prevented by being unable to get 2 small children to walk to Mends Street. I believe the ferry would be far greater patronised, if there was then a tram or some way of getting from the jetty back along the foreshore...*

*We need better integration of bus and ferry services. I believe that the bus services should deliver passengers to ferry for transport to the city, much like the buses feeding the trains on the northern/southern rail lines, but to a lesser degree!*

*Unless you live very close to an efficient bus route, you end up using your car because otherwise it takes too long to get anywhere. If you have medical problems or disabilities preventing you from walking long distances to get to bus stops and train stations the situation is even worse. The council needs to think about this.*

*... Improved transport is meaningless unless there is the demand. This is the problem with the night ferry service; there is no need for it. So, what is most important is creating activity - which is achieved by creating places where people want to go.*

*Please, please can we have a train station?! It's a huge nuisance when you are taking the train to have to get off at Esplanade and then wait around to transfer to a bus (takes a long time at night). Especially when you are coming from the south and have to travel past your home and back. A train station at South Perth could save me an hour of travel time some nights. South Perth is not very far from Esplanade but neither is Esplanade very far from Perth Underground and they built that one. A lot of people live in South Perth I'm sure it would be well used.*

*River transport to and from the city from Coode St and Mend St needs to improve/be installed.*

*Improve public transport to reduce peak hour congestion on Mill Point road e.g. Coode street ferry, train station, more buses. Walking bridge into the city.*

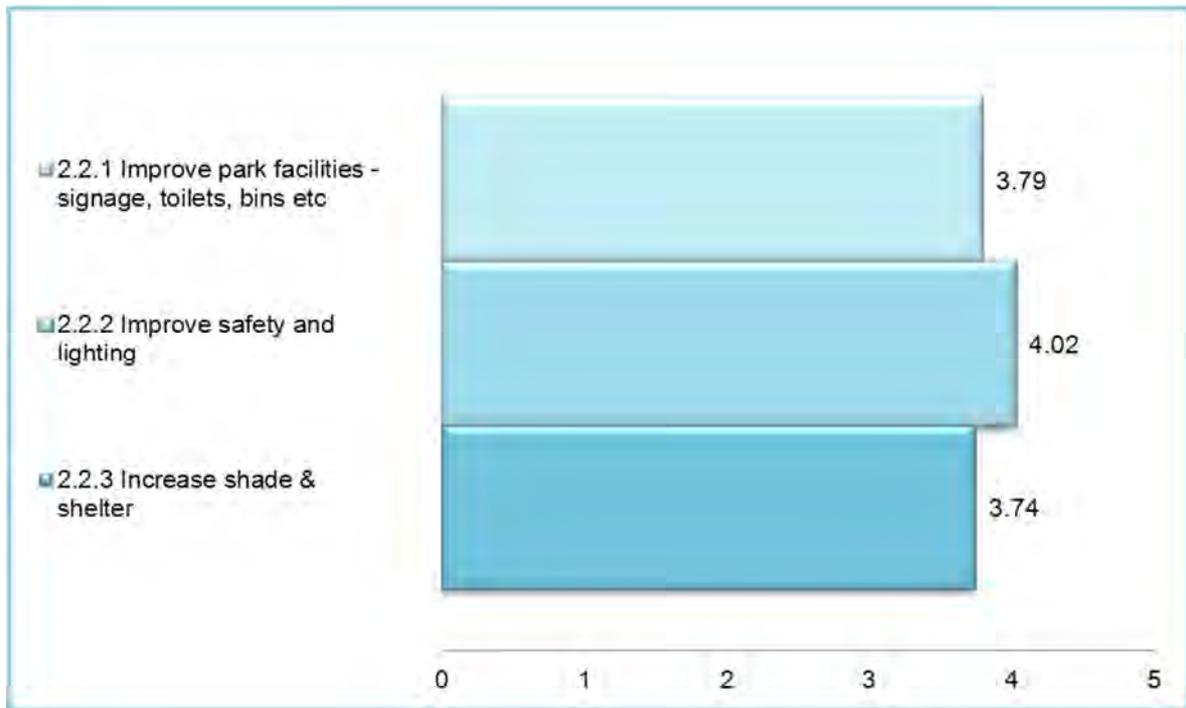
*I am very concerned about accessibility in that I don't want the Perth/South Perth foreshore to be segmented off and owned by a few people, with restricted access to the rest of the community, as can be seen in areas of Brisbane, Mandurah etc. I feel it is very important for people to be able to cycle or walk safely around the river as they can do now.*

*The connection across to Heirisson Island needs to link with Perth City because the Causeway Bridge is inadequate for commuting.*

## WHOLE OF FORESHORE: SERVICING & INFRASTRUCTURE

[Survey Question 2.2]

2.2 Servicing and infrastructure (Part 01, p13)							
Answer Options	Very low importance	Low importance	Neutral	High importance	Very high importance	Rating Average	Response Count
2.2.1. Improve park facilities - signage, toilets, bins etc	31	51	196	410	206	3.79	894
2.2.2. Improve safety and lighting	24	32	142	401	295	4.02	894
2.2.3. Increase shade and shelter	62	65	166	348	252	3.74	893
<i>answered question</i>							<b>895</b>
<i>skipped question</i>							<b>39</b>



These numbers of people placed high/ very high importance on:

### 696 (3/4 of people) – Improving safety and lighting

*More shade, more trees, more seating, more lighting.*

*I would also like to see more street lighting in some darker areas to improve safety...*

*The low lighting that is now between Coode St and the car park close to the Scented Garden needs to continue all along the foreshore walk paths.*

*Improvement on lighting along the south perth foreshore is 100% required to ensure safety of cyclists/runners as it is very dangerous at the moment.*

*The lighting along the footpaths from the Lakes heading towards Coode Street is poor. The city vista at night is beautiful but seniors are often frightened to go out for an evening stroll because of the poor lighting. The Mends Street end is adequately lit.....we need the same at the other end. Thanks.*

*It's great that residents of South Perth have been asked for their views, great! Maybe some surveillance cameras in car parks to deter thieves and also at the public restrooms. Could these be monitored by ranger services? Two 24 hour rangers to be on call for South Perth would be great too!*

*Please fix the deteriorating waters edge as a priority it is dangerous and an embarrassment.*

*Stop finding ways to spend residents' rates on minor issues and concentrate on the larger issues such as rubbish collection; safe footpaths; street lighting; and safety and security. How about a survey on how to reduce rates instead of on spending on facilities for non-rate payers who leave the foreshore covered in litter and vandalism!*

*The bike path must be carefully managed and speed limited (30-40km/hr cyclists should be on the road; 50-60km/hr cyclists should be at the velodrome). The City has a duty of care to make the paths safe.*

*As a cyclist I am pleased that there are bike-only paths along the foreshore, however there are almost always pedestrians using the bike paths, rather than the pedestrian paths (despite signs and painted markings at the start of the path). There needs to be increased education that pedestrians (including runners, skaters, etc) are not to use the bike paths, and that the reason for this is their own safety.*

*It's possible that many such offenders join the path part-way along, and so do not see the signs. Perhaps there should be clear markings painted at regular intervals along the path.*

## **616** – People placed high/ very high importance on:

### **Improving park facilities – signage, toilets, bins, seats, picnic tables etc.**

*...But please do upgrade the river wall its looking very dangerous!*

*...We desperately need more water fountains, bins and shade.*

*Sure some new facilities would be good such as toilets, water fountains and shade but on the whole the area is lovely at the moment.*

*A few more drinking fountains and more shade areas would be good.*

*Please repair river banks and remove fences! Love the paths and views.*

*We urgently need adequate funding to protect the river/land interface.*

*It would be a great idea to change the current bike racks situated around the City of South Perth for people to lock their bikes up against... to ones that are more interesting and fun looking. The City needs a "younger" look and the use of public art, especially in subtle ways, would make a huge difference.*

*Upgrade playground facilities, family areas (Barbecues) and lighting. These should be Council priorities.*

*...Put more and better rubbish bins in, especially between Boatshed and Ellam Street, especially for dog waste. Better bins in Coode St/Boatshed car park.*

*Toilets - the picnic facilities, water fountains etc. are very well maintained but, by way of new/improved infrastructure, the area could do with more toilets and an upgrade of the existing toilet blocks.*

*More seats required along paths - sometimes the gaps are huge, sometimes they are well placed closer together.*

*We have lost BBQ's and seating at junction Hurlingham Lake /pedestrian path - would like to see more seats and trees planted for shade along pedestrian path, especially for older walkers. Thank you.*

*The latest seating on the foreshore is badly designed. The aluminium and grey recycled plastic ones. In summer most are in full sun - only two seats out of 10 in the shade by my count. In winter water collects on the aluminium panels... The result - wet bum!*

## **600** – People placed high/ very high importance on:

### **Increasing shade and shelter**

*Create more shade, seating, picnic areas...*

*Please plant more shade trees as skin cancer is a high concern to our population - prefer trees that offer some character and respect our local environment (ie not plane trees or pines)*

*...There is also a need for shady trees near the walking paths. It's very hot in the warm months.*

*...The park areas and esplanade need serious landscaping to make them useful, particularly during the summer months. Plant a few trees for God's sake and prosecute the idiots across the road who poison them because it buggers up their view. After all, it is a park!...*

*South Perth foreshore is a great space and would benefit from introducing shade, shelter and more family events. Great place to live. New signs look great.*

*From Mill Point to Mends St increase shade and seating.*

*Keep as much open space for events like "Australia Day" but plant clumps of trees to provide shade, shelter and prevent soil erosion. Maintain vistas and the actual river edge from ongoing erosion with suitable plants.*

*BBQ's, and picnic shelters should be a high priority.*

*...The best shade option for public open space is to plant trees. Trees will also maintain vistas as they are part of the natural environment and will provide habitat for birds and help maintain healthy soil/drainage etc. A few gazebos with picnic tables are nice to be scattered across the foreshore but natural shade options should be implemented wherever possible.*

*A grass desert is useless without shelters and trees...*

*Plant more trees. Need shade and more picnic facilities. Need cafes and wine bars.*

*My son and family stayed with me in South Perth over Xmas. One day I looked after the kids and decided to walk down to the beach only to find it was far too hot and there was no shelter. I'm not saying shelters that I think would create antisocial behaviour but maybe a few large trees that wouldn't totally block the residences views but give off shade. As I am a local I notice over the summer the park is not utilized over that period of day.*

*...Regarding the planting of trees, I find the objections to this, I suspect lead by local foreshore land-owners, hypocritical and incredibly selfish. The presence of trees is far more important than a vista to the river and city. The increased amenity provided by the increased wildlife and shelter for ALL users far outweigh their concerns. Further I suspect they would find their private vistas, for which they should already consider themselves extremely fortunate to enjoy, given the majority of citizens have a road or a building to look at, will actually be improved by the presence of trees...*

*What has been planned sounds wonderful if we can afford it. Shade which does not ruin the vista in the summer (perhaps can be removed before our milder winters) is very important to me, especially for the fabulous Fiesta concert.*

*Increase shade (tree planting). Selected areas can be re-vegetated with flora native to that area, 'drought resistant' and water sensitive design. Increase BBQs, bins, shaded picnic areas, shaded areas, especially shade from trees...*

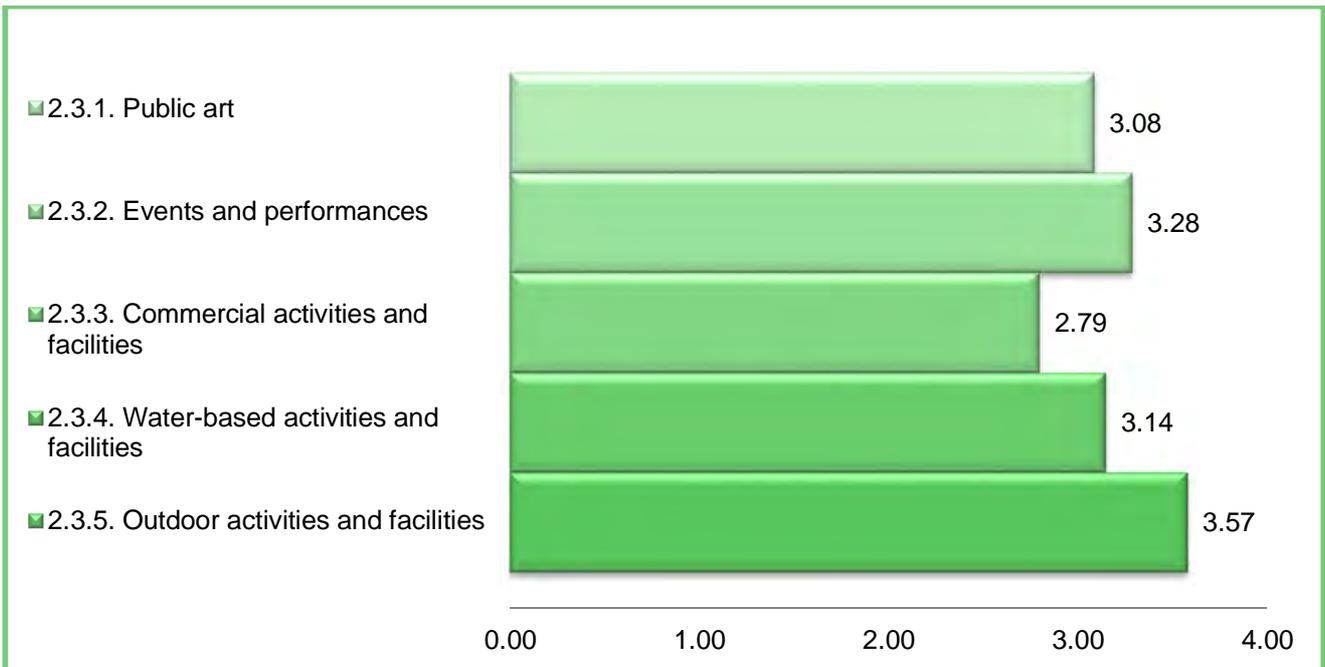
*It would be great to see the foreshore upgraded with more shade and better pathways etc. for all the residents of South Perth to enjoy.*

*A few gazebos with picnic tables are nice to be scattered across the foreshore but natural shade options should be implemented wherever possible.*

## WHOLE OF FORESHORE: ACTIVATION

[Survey Question 2.3]

2.3 Activation (Part 01, p14)							
Answer Options	Very low importance	Low importance	Neutral	High importance	Very high importance	Rating Average	Response Count
2.3.1. Public art	128	127	286	245	105	3.08	891
2.3.2. Events and performances	126	89	209	342	126	3.28	892
2.3.3. Commercial activities and facilities	232	135	216	208	103	2.79	894
2.3.4. Water-based activities and facilities	140	120	248	252	135	3.14	895
2.3.5. Outdoor activities and facilities	90	60	172	394	176	3.57	892
<b>answered question</b>							<b>895</b>
<b>skipped question</b>							<b>39</b>



These numbers of people placed high/ very high importance on:

**570 – Outdoor activities and facilities**

**468 – Events and performance**

**367 people (over 1/3) placed low/ very low importance on Commercial Activities**

Comments on activation...

*We need judicious commercial facilities to suit the area. Not large development. The Shelley foreshore cafe is extremely well used. We should also look for businesses with diversity (NACS - Not Another Coffee Shop).*

*I believe with the development of the Perth city foreshore, South Perth foreshore has the opportunity to host events of international significance. I also believe the spaces would be well suited to 'pop up events' whether cultural, culinary or sporting.*

*South Perth should be the number one spot for summer (and even winter) events such as monthly markets, outdoor cinemas. Kind of like Northbridge events but in a prettier spot.*

*Better cafes that are more kiosk than expensive restaurants.*

*I would love to see fitness equipment added along the foreshore, near the Mill Point end (not spread out, but in one location so that a workout which involves using the same piece of equipment can occur, so all of it close together).*

*In general, I would like the South Perth Foreshore space to retain/maintain its open nature. That is, not be 'cluttered' with activities/events/entertainment. There are very few cities that people have free access to the river foreshore that is open and free.*

*...Increased opportunities for roller skating and roller blading. I understood that these activities were prohibited on the foreshore. ..*

*We have had events in front of our house on the foreshore which have caused considerable problems - with people coming into our yard (and surrounding yards) during events, rubbish everywhere, noise. We would object to any such events being on the foreshore...*

*I often walk in the late evening or night and it's such a joy to see families of every nationality picnicking, playing ball games, bbqing etc. Young and old romancing, photographing the city, jogging, walking together. It's a wonderful facility as it is, thank you, but it will be fabulous when we make these improvements.*

*Please consider community events run with sustainable technologies that incorporate the environment.*

*Council is doing a great job with its existing infrastructure and creating opportunities for events for general public to enjoy. Keep up the good work.*

*Like to see a facility to hold plays and music an amphitheatre or permanent facility. Delecourt theatre in Central Park as an example.*

*Basically, the area is beautiful, and any "improvements" or "development" must not detract from this. I am opposed to commercialising the area. Its wonderful as it is. Keep up the good work.*

*It may be a pipe dream but would love South Perth to have its own recreation centre similar to Melville. I take my toddler to gymbakids in Melville because we don't have anything like that in South Perth. Also very supportive of additional food outlets / cafes along the foreshore, with some at least being family friendly. A couple of enclosed playgrounds would be great. Definitely need more shaded areas too, both for winter and summer.*

*Less grass and more signs and interactive things*

*Systematic improvement of facilities could make this a competitive tourist venue for WA*

*Please provide the opportunity for storage for Dragon Boating, such as rowing clubs have it. A shared facility with other water based sports would be suitable as well.*

*Perhaps license some coffee/ food vans to service the flagpole area, under the Narrows Bridge, down towards Heirisson Island region and near the scented gardens region.*

*The activation page is very informative and I really like the suggestions on it (i.e. cafes, markets etc). It would be great for South Perth foreshore to become a vibrant place with activities for younger people and for families. I also believe that fostering and promoting sustainability is important in conjunction with facilitating economic development.*

*A pump track (small mountain bike/bmx track) would be awesome, perhaps in conjunction with learn to ride facilities for young kids. Pop up street food would be nice. Swimming pool on the rivers edge so you feel like you are swimming in the river (but you are not), with the city skyline on one side.*

*...Boating and fishing are of no importance to me, but I would love a restaurant ferry boat up and down in the area. I am not interested in commercial development in general, but would love a couple of new cafes or coffee shops...*

*Like the idea of a pool similar to Southbank in Brisbane located in Sir James Mitchell park.*

*Need better playgrounds. Why not have the "world's best playground" for families on South Perth foreshore? Weekend markets/stalls at Mends St are also a good idea.*

*I would like to see more shade on the foreshore. An extended walkway or arbour just like South Bank in Brisbane is very nice on a hot day and it makes the whole area nice to be in. At present there is very little shade which is surprising considering Perth summers are very hot. Also I would like to kiosk or small coffee shops and eateries along the walkway. We have a magnificent riverscape which is under utilised at present.*

## WHOLE OF FORESHORE: CULTURE, ENVIRONMENT & HERITAGE

[Survey Question 2.4]

2.4 Culture, environment and heritage (Part 01, p 15)							
Answer Options	Very low importance	Low importance	Neutral	High importance	Very high importance	Rating Average	Response Count
2.4.1. Tourism attractions/facilities	107	109	252	298	128	3.26	894
2.4.2. Educational events/facilities	119	112	291	289	79	3.11	890
2.4.3. Interpretive art	163	159	313	200	58	2.81	893
2.4.4. Heritage/culture/history interpreted	99	125	262	299	108	3.22	893
2.4.5. Environmental improvements	74	42	141	368	266	3.80	891
<b>answered question</b>							<b>895</b>
<b>skipped question</b>							<b>39</b>



These numbers of people placed high/ very high importance on:

**634 (2/3 of people) – Environmental improvements**

**426 – Tourism attractions and facilities**

*The South Perth foreshore is relatively unique in its stance as a green open space within the confines of a city. Maintaining that should be a priority, once lost it can never be recovered. There appears to be significant scope for utilizing the areas as event spaces in a similar way as Supreme Court Gardens has been in the past; with the development of Elizabeth Quay maybe there is more opportunity for South Perth in this regard.*

*As a 50+ year resident of South Perth and the daughter of South Perth pioneers (who owned a large amount of land in the early 1900's) PLEASE acknowledge the history and people (of all races) who first settled the area. Preserve what is left of the old buildings & historic records. Increase public awareness of early South Perth Pioneers...*

*I am so pleased to have the opportunity to have input in this Survey as our family has lived in the area for 50 odd years. I really would like to see more of the historic background of the area spelt out & celebrated ie Chinese Market Gardens & the fact that the area between Richardson Park & Mill Point was known as Booryulup the place of the Booryul aboriginal people "Magic people". Also the Old Mill site was the birthing place for Aboriginal women & a significant site. It was like a "hospital for them to go there & have their babies amongst the soft undergrowth of the area."*

*The foreshore is a place to be enjoyed by everyone, including birds and other wildlife. It would be a shame if it became overdeveloped with too many buildings. It should be kept as natural and environmentally friendly as possible. ...*

*Congratulations to the City of South Perth for outstanding recent improvements e.g. beaches, paths, signage, lighting, bbqs. The major asset I would like to see expansion/protection of is the melaleuca grove/boardwalk. The ecosystem supports beautiful wildlife and should be better protected - I'm happy to volunteer to help!*

*There is a significant number of bird and fish life that will return to this part of the river if environmental measures can be taken...*

*Our foreshore is a complete treasure. The challenge is to keep on upgrading the "nature" side of the park including bringing back more paperbarks etc (well done on work so far) AND to keep it accessible to all....not just we lucky people who live in South Perth. Having regular and integrated public transport and limited car access to the park will be essential into the future. As a very regular park user, rubbish management remains an issue. Thanks for the opportunity to comment.*

*I think that most users enjoy recreating on the South Perth foreshore because it is relatively undeveloped and leaves a lot of open natural space for everyone's enjoyment. I would love to see the natural environment enhanced by the planting of more native gardens and a variety of plant species. I would love to see the foreshore maintained as a natural space which harbours birds and other fauna...*

*The Swans (and other birds and wildlife) along the river at present can not get out of the water and on to land with how the foreshore river wall is currently constructed. This may lead to adverse outcomes like Swan chicks becoming trapped in the water, becoming exhausted and drowning. Planning for the new foreshore development should account for wildlife interactions with their surrounding environment so that a concrete wall running for hundreds of meters doesn't become the norm (by default). Expert opinion should be sought to ensure that a suitable solution is found that includes the needs of the local and iconic river wildlife.*

*As a recent resident and having started to walk along the paths and have a very strong interest in environmental care, I would love to see developed over a period of time the removal of the river walls and beaches with river edge plantings of native flora along the inbetween nodes along the whole stretch of the foreshore similar to the beaches already existing with their native flora plantings. There is heaps of room to develop new shoreline and this will assist in the whole ecosystem of the river from plants, to animals and birdlife rehabilitation as well as water quality for the river. It will enhance the river/water experience but still allowing other changes and developments within the nodes. Thanks.*

*The South Perth foreshore is an integral biodiversity corridor as well as a public open space of major importance for the entire greater Perth community. Plans to maintain and manage the foreshore MUST recognise that at present the remnant vegetation has a finite lifetime and no ecological systems in place to allow for new seeds to germinate naturally and trees be replaced. In order to maintain the open space aspect tall endemic trees should be strategically placed so that they do not detract from streetscapes or views to the city, and are best placed to provide shelter, food and roosts for endangered local birds such as Carnabys cockatoos. This practice should be applied to all appropriate POS sites (including Ernest Johnson Oval) to ensure existing trees are not lost completely during upcoming storms etc. The linkages between bold park, Kings Park, the foreshore and Curtin University/Salters Point remnant vegetation should be celebrated, and encouraged and supported by a formal multi-stakeholder management plan (led by COSP, involving nearby LGAs, the DEC/DER, CSIRO and technology park precincts, Swan River Trust, Clontarf, Curtin University & Primary School and Collier Golf Course).ALSO - COSP needs to recognise what a terrible problem introduced rainbow lorikeets and Correllas are becoming, and work with DER to support a culling and palm tree management position ASAP.*

*I feel that any future enhancements should reflect the current atmosphere and values of the foreshore, ensuring that they do not detract from the pedestrian/cyclist paths, recreational use and relaxing/ peaceful atmosphere. I'd be supportive of increased natural/ environmental areas and reduction in turf, with more intensive recreational, commercial or other economic activities limited to specific nodes (ie. Mends St & Coode St).*

## NODES - RANKING

[Survey Question 3, PART A]

**879** people provided rankings of the 10 nodes of the South Perth foreshore.

Ranked in order of 'how important it is to revitalise', with 1 being the most important, and 10 being the least important:

- 1. Mends Street**
- 2. Coode Street**
- 3. Mends St Beach**
- 4. Coode St Beach**
- 5. Mill Point**
- 6. Deck/ Melaleuca Grove/ Scented Garden**
- 7. The Lakes**
- 8. Esplanade West**
- 9. Flag Pole**
- 10. Ellam Street**

Please rank how important it is to revitalise each of the ten nodes.

Write numbers 1 to 10 in the boxes below, with 1 being the most important node and 10 being the least important node.

Mill Point	
Esplanade West	
Mends Street Beach	
Mends Street (Piazza and Promenade)	
Deck, Scented Gardens, and Melaleuca Grove	
Coode Street Beaches	
Flag Pole	
Coode Street	
The Lakes	
Ellam Street	

## NODES OPPORTUNITIES

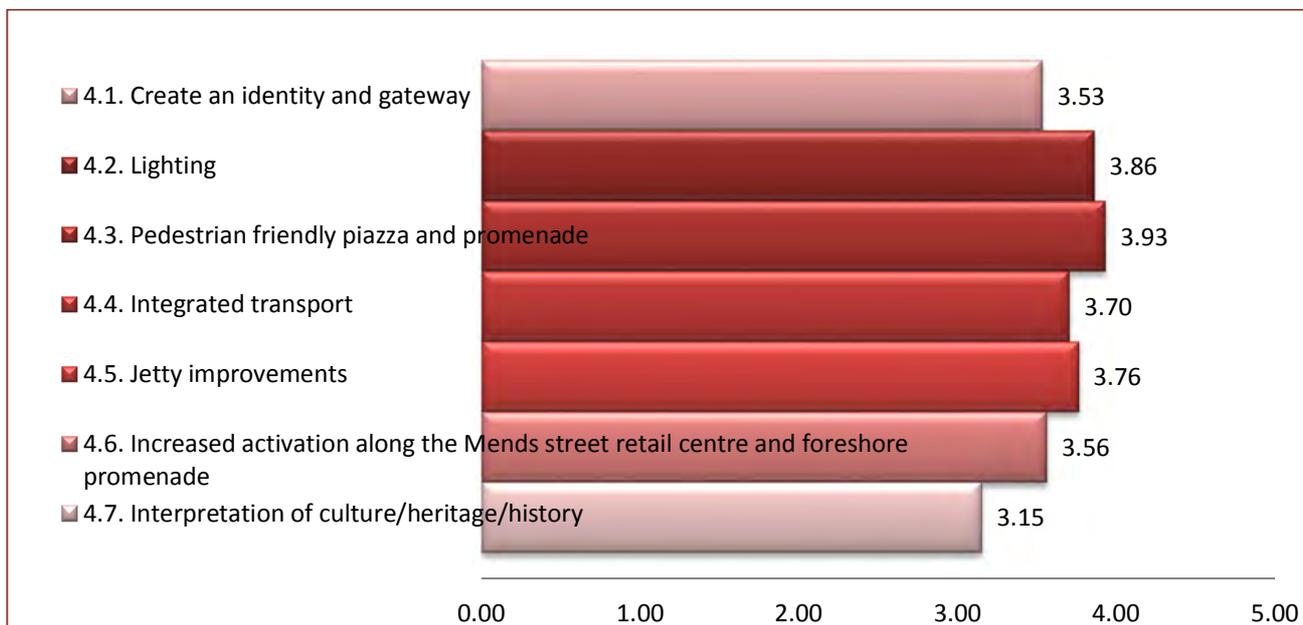
[Survey Questions PART B, 1-10]

### MENDS STREET/ MENDS ST BEACH



4. Mends Street (Piazza and Promenade) (Part 01, p20-21)							
Answer Options	Very low importance	Low importance	Neutral	High importance	Very high importance	Rating Average	Response Count
4.1. Create an identity and gateway	80	37	127	175	165	3.53	584
4.2. Lighting	32	21	113	249	171	3.86	586
4.3. Pedestrian friendly piazza and promenade	48	25	66	232	216	3.93	587
4.4. Integrated transport	59	38	99	217	174	3.70	587
4.5. Jetty improvements	37	44	109	223	170	3.76	583
4.6. Increased activation along the Mends street retail	77	45	117	169	180	3.56	588
4.7. Interpretation of culture/heritage/history	82	84	173	158	90	3.15	587
<i>answered question</i>							<b>589</b>
<i>skipped question</i>							<b>345</b>

3. Mends Street Beach (Part 01, p23)							
Answer Options	Very low importance	Low importance	Neutral	High importance	Very high importance	Rating Average	Response Count
3.1. Improved shade and shelter facilities (whilst	53	31	86	257	159	3.75	586
3.2. Introduce beach art/sculptures	116	97	138	143	91	2.99	585
3.3. Introduce beach activities	124	88	162	140	67	2.89	581
3.4. Introduce kayak/canoe launching pads	106	81	131	183	84	3.10	585
<i>answered question</i>							<b>586</b>
<i>skipped question</i>							<b>348</b>



**Mends St ranked number 1, and Mends Street Beach number 3, in order of importance to revitalise of the 10 foreshore nodes.**

**448** people placed high/ very high importance on creating a **pedestrian friendly piazza and promenade** (average rating 3.93)

**406** people placed high/ very high importance on **improving shade and shelter at Mends Street Beach** (average rating 3.75)

## **Lighting, jetty improvements, integrated transport and creating an entry and gateway for South Perth at Mends Street, and increased activation along the Mends Street retail strip were all of high importance.**

(These opportunities all received an average rating of 3.53 to 3.86).

### *Comments on Mends Street and the beach...*

*The block of Mends St where all the shops are would be a good pedestrian street and if pedestrians had right of way over traffic crossing from the jetty to the Mends St pedestrian mall then I think that would greatly improve flow-through between the ferry and the shops and Zoo*

*The key pedestrian link from the ferry terminal to the Zoo via Mends Street requires additional acknowledgement, even though it is somewhat outside the scope of the foreshore. An activation strategy for Mends street should include strategies to connect with the Zoo. Windsor Park and Heritage House have potential for additional activation in this regard. What about a pop-up Cafe/Gallery in Heritage House and urban agriculture project in Windsor Park?*

*Mends St beach area could also be a good spot for some markets and outdoor movies.*

*Solar fairy lights on tree lined and main streets such as Angelo, Douglas and Mends. I saw this done in Portland USA and it looked incredible!!*

*I work for the local Public Health Unit with local food outlets to improve food available to local residents. This sounds like a good time to plan healthy options into the redevelopment of Mends Piazza, pop-up food outlets and for events along the foreshore...*

*Mends beach desperately needs shade and BBQ facilities.*

*Weekend markets/stalls at Mends St are also a good idea.*

*Congratulations on the South Perth Foreshore Project. This is obviously complex and difficult and there are likely to be many divergent opinions. When we were offered the opportunity to make suggestions my wife and I had thought about something, but hadn't developed it. We believe there is an opportunity for something, unique, iconic, playful, meaningful and attractive. We now have a suggestion for a SOUTH PERTH sign. Attached is a quick overview... HOLLYWOOD sign is instantly recognisable. But you can't interact with it. We all loved the PERTH sign erected for CHOGM which was seen by millions. But it didn't make a good picture, and now its gone. South Perth has few tourist attractions and icons. So why not the SOUTH PERTH sign that can do it all?...The sign's location is extremely important and needs to be carefully chosen. It should relate the area in an active fashion, not be isolated away from activities and facilities. Mends St and Coode St jetties are prime candidates. However, a location between the two nodes would encourage people to use both nodes rather than favouring one. Such a location encourages participants to explore the area between the nodes rather than arrive and stay or just have a photo taken....*

*I absolutely oppose any sale of current parking land Car bays are critically short and will be crucial in the revitalisation of Mends St. Commercial development adjoining residential areas must comply with the Council criteria and regulations: noise, parking, lighting, building size. Lack of parking bays seriously interferes with access for the elderly and frail in our community to Drs and pharmacists.*

*Mends St from the Esplanade to Mill Point Rd should become a pedestrian mall. Commercial vehicles will still have access to retail facilities from the rear, on both sides. The traffic congestion on this section of Mends St is hazardous for pedestrians. Tourists leaving the ferry to walk to the Zoo will have a more pleasant experience and a much better impression of the gateway to the city. It may also encourage more visitors to stop and enjoy the outside dining options.*

*The Mends St precinct in particular has so much potential. On the city edge, it could be such a wonderful hub. At the moment the shops are generally so disappointing and there is not much to entice the hordes of people passing through to the zoo to stop and browse.*

*Another instant win would be the upgrading of Mends St - remove all the retail foot path signage - select a theme for the location and require businesses to conform to the theme - this would attract people and improve business.*

*Something needs to be done to revive Mends Street and make it a focal point of South Perth for dining (of all levels). It seems to be dying a very slow and painful death over the last few years and something needs to be done to turn this around and make it the showcase of South Perth that it once was and still can be. I believe Mends Street is a wonderful and unique site in our wonderful city and we have one of the best views in Perth! I suggest the implementation plan for the project is clear, able to be implemented with set review dates and key performance indicators. Generally the foreshore is designed well, but it is lacking activation I support "short term wins" in and around Mends Street. Ability for property owners to split leases to allow additional tenants to move in in retail/commercial building in and around Mends Street.*

*Please upgrade playground at Mend St jetty. It is outdated and uninspiring. Please consider international examples for inspiration. Not more boring plastic.*

*My top priority for the foreshore is to attract family groups. Primarily good shaded areas, less unnecessary signage (nothing spoils a view more than too many signs), definitely no more car parks around Mends Street. Would like the council to consider building a multi storey car parking facility between the Windsor Hotel and South Shore Shopping Plaza. Would like also to see another beach east of the Mends Street Jetty where the sea wall is crumbling. The installation of the other beaches was a brilliant idea and works so well. Definitely love to see more trees and shade, particularly west of Mends Street. I am sure it could be done and still maintain views but at the moment looks like a desert. Recently, whilst visiting Cairns, was blown away by the wonderful job they have done on their foreshore, especially the children's water playground that is very low key, meandering, with not much height, very leafy and green, overlooked by a cafe facility that was well used by parents and families. Could we perhaps include something of that nature west of the Mends Street, Jetty?*

*There are so many more young families in South Perth now and our playgrounds need serious improvements! Would love to see more family friendly activities, shops, cafes etc. along the foreshore. Mends St as a gateway to South Perth for tourists who use the ferry for day trips needs a massive upgrade, something to make us all feel proud of :)*

*Commercial opportunities could include a beach club, where people can hire sunbeds and umbrellas, be able to buy food and drinks and enjoy access to the beach and spend the whole day at this club. Many suburbs now have weekend markets attracting a huge range of food stalls. St Kilda has seafront markets where local handcrafts are for sale. A combination of these markets on a weekend on the river front would be very inviting to the public and encourage walkers & cyclists to stop on their travels around the river.*

*At least double the area of the Mends St jetty.*

*...Put in more lighting along the west side of Mend Street and fix the retaining wall on the river.*

*Upgrade the Mends St Jetty to incorporate shelter for ferry users...*

*Please improve bike path / pedestrian interaction at mends street jetty. I don't feel safe riding on the bike path there because of the poor layout so instead I cycle on the road through that section.*

*...For me an absolute priority for the foreshore is some "cheap and cheerful" food outlets - not everyone wants to go to Coco's or the Boatshed Why not a foodhall as they have in Darwin? I feel the current situation is very elitist and much more could be provided for families in addition to the existing Barbeques.*

*...Controlled development to stimulate the Mends Street precinct as a cafe strip with more late night restaurants and wine bars would bring much needed energy to this important node.*

## COODE STREET/ COODE ST BEACHES

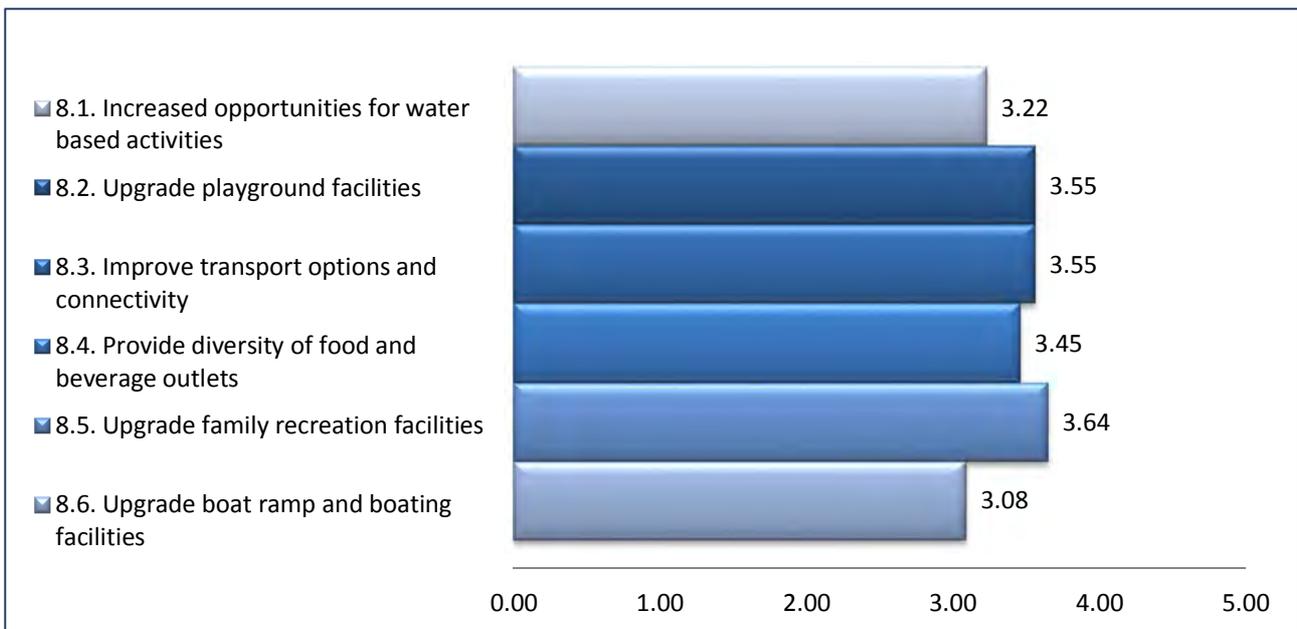


### 8. Coode Street (Part 01, p25)

Answer Options	Very low importance	Low importance	Neutral	High Importance	Very high importance	Rating Average	Response Count
8.1. Increased opportunities for water based activities	85	66	156	182	90	3.22	579
8.2. Upgrade playground facilities	52	48	133	220	125	3.55	578
8.3. Improve transport options and connectivity	54	59	121	205	142	3.55	581
8.4. Provide diversity of food and beverage outlets	100	51	92	164	173	3.45	580
8.5. Upgrade family recreation facilities	60	37	102	237	146	3.64	582
8.6. Upgrade boat ramp and boating facilities	100	77	174	137	92	3.08	580
<i>answered question</i>							<b>583</b>
<i>skipped question</i>							<b>351</b>

### 6. The Beaches - Coode Street (Part 01, p23)

Answer Options	Very low importance	Low importance	Neutral	High Importance	Very high importance	Rating Average	Response Count
6.1. Improved shade and shelter facilities (whilst	54	39	87	249	153	3.70	582
6.2. Introduce beach art/sculptures - temporary or	109	95	140	154	83	3.01	581
6.3. Introduce beach activities	100	80	156	171	73	3.06	580
6.4. Introduce kayak/canoe launching pads	85	71	139	194	91	3.23	580
<i>answered question</i>							<b>582</b>
<i>skipped question</i>							<b>352</b>



**Coode Street ranked number 2, and Coode Street Beach number 4, in order of importance to revitalise of the 10 foreshore nodes.**

**402** people placed high/ very high importance on **improved shade and shelter at the Coode Street Beaches**. This was the highest rated opportunity for the Coode St node, with an average rating of 3.70.

All opportunities listed for the area were rated positively over 3, with these opportunities rating over 3.50:

- **Upgrade family recreation facilities (3.64)**
- **Improve transport options and connectivity (3.55)**
- **Upgrade playground facilities (3.55)**

**Provide diversity of food and beverage outlets** was rated of high/ very high importance by 337 people.

## *Comments on Coode Street, including the beaches...*

*Water playground for summer months around Coode St area.*

*More public transport including a ferry to Coode Street. Water playground near the fun cats catamarans. Have the fun cats provide more water activities including paddle boats and kayaks.*

*The reason I don't use the South Perth Foreshore beaches is that I'm concerned about swimming in the polluted Swan River.*

*...Food carts or temporary food caravans depending on weather, with seating and tables. More ferry boats on river up to Coode St, Casino UWA and Fremantle.*

*...Please don't allow any more residential to be built on the foreshore land, but a sympathetic cafe/bar near Coode St (lower key than the boatshed restaurant which is way too \$\$\$) would be a real draw to the river precinct.*

*I would prefer to see a second commercial hub with businesses, food outlets and a promenade/market place toward the east end of Sir James Mitchell Park along the west side of Coode street. The Mend St area is already very congested and parking is difficult at the best of times. There is ample parking around Coode St and the area could do with a bit more variety. Two rows of buildings parallel to Coode St set back a reasonable distance from Coode St (and Mill Point Rd) could create a second commercial hub without impacting views to a great extent. The setback would allow a promenade/ market space along Coode St and a similar space could be mirrored on the west side of the buildings. A lane between the two rows of buildings from the river car park to the north could be set up to provide service access. If restaurants, cafes and shops were set up in these buildings they could also service the events that are hosted at Sir James Mitchell Park. Maybe an office space could be provided for use by an events co-ordinator or Council staff. Thanks for the opportunity to comment.*

*More informal cafes, boardwalks and dog exercise areas not to be reduced. The current restaurant Boatshed at Coode St needs a larger casual cafe section or a better arrangement...Fun cats at Coode St to be placed in a manner that doesn't take up all of the existing beach area. Maybe a double stacking or two deep placement but at the moment they occupy in the sailing season too much prime beach space.*

*I represent Rowing WA (I am a member of the Rowing WA advisory board. Rowing WA is very interested in assisting the City with respect to the Coode St precinct. As you know, there is already a boat house in this area. We think Rowing WA can make a real contribution to the City's vision of activation for this space and the provision of water based activities that can promote a healthy lifestyle.*

*...It is recommended that the City should extend its yearly replanting programs for Melaleuca, sheoak, flooded gum etc. along the foreshore to allow for eventual replacement of existing mature and senescent trees along the entire foreshore over the coming decades. This particularly applies for the areas immediately east and west of Coode Street.*

*...Improve Boatshed area space - open up cafe more like Deep water point. Improve take away coffee/ice cream facilities. Make people feel welcome there...*

*... Coode Street Jetty. Can this jetty please be shown on future drawings and identify the need to re-establish the Coode Street ferry service and ensure that the car park is designed to provide connecting Bus drop off and pick up services.*

*...2. Move the Coode St carpark on the West of the Boatshed to the other side of the road where it floods every winter. This would enable the area to then be grassed as a picnic area which would be already fully shaded - shady spots in summer are at a premium. 3. Carparks should be located back from the river as at Ellam St...*

*I liked the old playground at the end of Coode Street better than the new one (sorry!). It looks fancy, but isn't much fun. The people who updated the park in Manning down Ley Street did a much better job...*

*I am all for more cafes restaurants and activities on the foreshore and also more shade and seating. Too much grass and not enough trees - more trees needed. Better ferry service needed and also go to Coode St again.*

*Thanks for asking us as I use the Coode St foreshore at least twice a week sometimes more!*

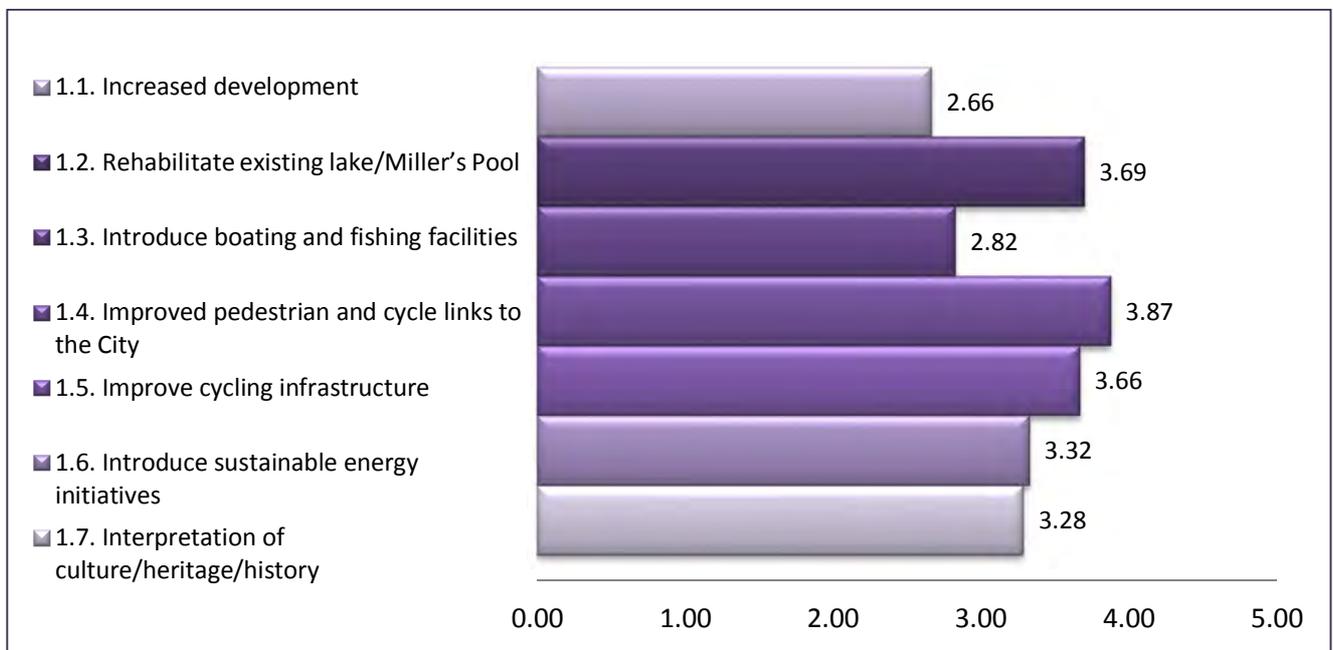
## MILL POINT



**Mill Point ranked number 5 in order of importance to revitalise of the 10 foreshore nodes.**

### 1. Mill Point (Part 01, p18)

Answer Options	Very low importance	Low importance	Neutral	High importance	Very high importance	Rating Average	Response Count
1.1. Increased development	169	109	130	98	75	2.66	581
1.2. Rehabilitate existing lake/Miller's Pool	34	42	137	228	140	3.69	581
1.3. Introduce boating and fishing facilities	138	92	159	128	67	2.82	584
1.4. Improved pedestrian and cycle links to the City	37	30	96	231	193	3.87	587
1.5. Improve cycling infrastructure	44	38	134	219	146	3.66	581
1.6. Introduce sustainable energy initiatives	81	56	175	142	132	3.32	586
1.7. Interpretation of culture/heritage/history	72	82	152	173	108	3.28	587
<i>answered question</i>							<b>588</b>
<i>skipped question</i>							<b>346</b>



These opportunities had a rating average greater than 3.5:

**424** people placed high/ very high importance on **improved pedestrian and cycle links to the City** from Mill Point, and **365** on **cycling infrastructure**, including a drink/ food stop.

**368** people placed high/ very high importance on the **rehabilitation of the existing lake, Miller's Pool** at Mill Point.

Less importance was placed on the other opportunities presented with ratings between 2.66 and 3.32. Support for introducing sustainable energy initiatives including solar and wind power, and interpretation of culture, heritage and history was indicated; with less importance on increased development and the introduction of boating and fishing facilities.

## *Comments on Mill Point...*

*Paving the whole area might just be unnecessary and is very environmentally unfriendly! I'm referring to the artist's impression sign in front of the Old Mill. I'm happy for that area around the old mill to be filled with shops, cafes and businesses as it is currently under-used, but please consider if the courtyard in the middle really needs to be paved?? On the sign it looks hot and there's no shade. It could be a garden area like Central Park in the city and would be much more inviting that way! I also like the Miller's pool please look after that.*

*PLEASE DO NOT build the proposed modern structure at the Old Mill site. It will ruin the site and overpower the antiquity of the place...*

*I believe that a small low key cafe, museum & improved gardens at the Old Mill Windmill would be an instant win with the local residents and improve the Mill Point area.*

*I don't support commercial buildings, mooring and fish-cleaning facilities around the Old Mill. They are just not appropriate for the environmental and heritage values of the Mill Point precinct.*

*I support the notion of enhancing the 'Old Mill' area and the foreshore on the other side, but I am very concerned that as our population is growing rapidly, and the number of cars is increasing very rapidly as well, we are in danger of putting wonderful infrastructure into an area that is going to be impacted by traffic and limited parking space. Its not that long ago that the Narrows Bridge was duplicated and a train line put in. We must get a much clearer picture of how the traffic volume will grow and how the traffic coming off the freeway from the north, will impact on the Old Mill area, and what is likely to be done in the not-too distant future, to further widen the narrows bridge, and/or install a tunnel in the same general area. I would very much like to see exactly what work has already been done on this issue and what will need to be done to make sure that the development in the Old Mill area is not seriously affected by it. It is also essential that 'through' traffic does not impact heavily on the safety of people, and especially children enjoying the otherwise free and open spaces as indicated in the artist's impression. For some reason, we don't do enough to keep pedestrians and vehicles apart, like other cities do. In the type of environment we are trying to build, we need to make sure that pedestrians (and cyclists) are our priority, and not make them subservient to vehicles. Let's get the traffic studies done to a high standard, communicate it to the local community and develop the right strategies to take account of future pressures in this area. The traffic study should also take account of the impact of additional traffic along Mill Point Road to the Labouchere Road intersection, because the population and therefore the number of cars along this section is also increasing, as taller apartment buildings are being established.*

*Is there still consideration for a rail station at South Perth to reduce the traffic over the bridge to the City? If not what plans are there for the Mill Point exit bridge?*

*Would especially like to see Ellam Street locality and Mill Point locality improved. Both are currently devoid of any character and feel very hot and desolate in summer and cold and empty in winter.*

*The temporary kiosk near the Narrows Bridge on Mill Point was an excellent facility a few years ago. Could it be upgraded?*

*Old Mill Developing this area via the many ways suggested and for the reasons outlined appears a great option to enhance community and its various facets...but to have the Mill swallowed up by 'concrete' surrounds would be a travesty. It would be great to retain a natural environment around the Old Mill that gently connects to the new man-made structures - the option to sit on the earth, beneath the Mill - a wonderful option to retain.*

*The built environmental plans for the Mill Point Precinct are over the top. The scale and bulk of the proposal competes too much with the Old Mill. If any structures are built they should be located well away from this iconic structure. I would prefer softer landscape with more natural lines rather than the sharp lines planned.*

*There is a very attractive signage board at Mill Point showing future development. When is this likely to happen?*

*Create a new South Perth yacht and power boat club. Instead of re-doing the old mill, dig-out and create a large mooring area with boardwalks, a function centre/ clubroom, restaurant and cafe which has its back to the freeway and faces north east to the city. The City could make income from many residents who could moor their boats, it creates a sense of Perth as a water playground, would bring people to an underutilised area (and*

*they can still see the mill while in the vicinity). The proposed old mill development, sitting on the freeway is not the place for people to enjoy the cafe culture. This mistake has been made with the redevelopment of the playground at Como Jetty - no-one likes to sit next to the freeway or take their children there and the area is rarely used. The proposed moorings would also provide a great commercial opportunity, modelled on the Walsh wharf in Sydney and Canary Wharf in London. With its back to the freeway, the building would block the noise and the boats would be well protected. The views would also be spectacular and a place where people want to enjoy coffee, food and wine. I believe this idea would generate a great deal of community support. I gravely fear the old mill redevelopment is a white elephant in the making, and at an enormous cost to residents.*

*A cafe or refreshment opportunity is needed at the Old Mill to generate visitor numbers and provide services to walkers, cyclists etc.*

*...The Old Mill area is severely under-utilised...*

*I would like to see much more development on the city end of the esplanade - between the Narrows bridge and Mends St, including a pedestrian foot & cycle bridge direct to the city (you can link it to the new Elizabeth Quay?).*

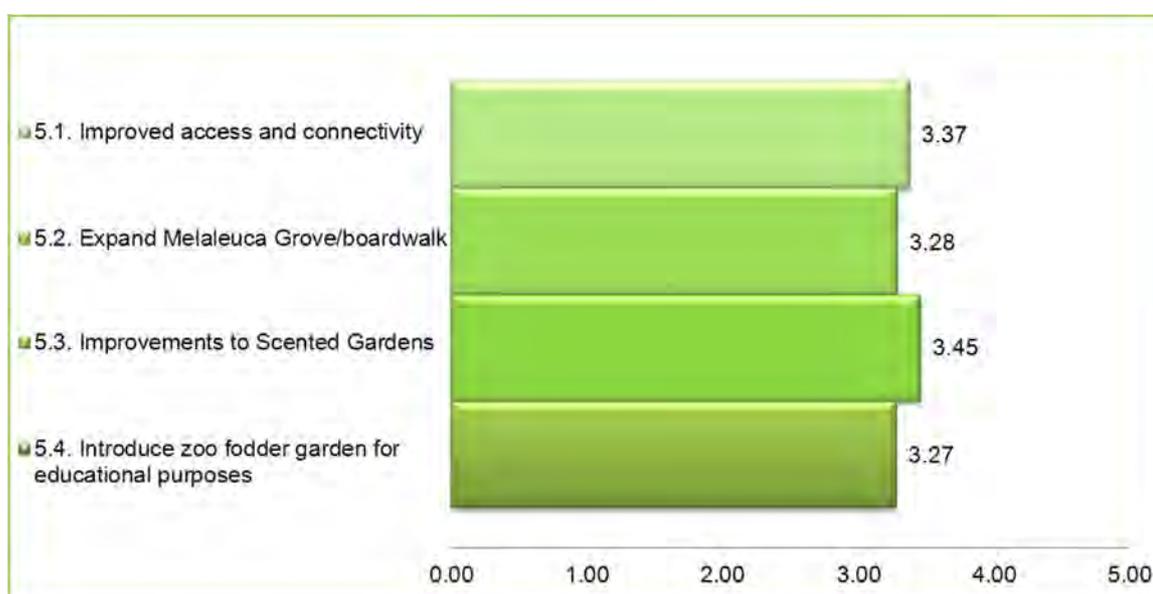
## DECK, SCENTED GARDENS, MELALEUCA GROVE



### Ranked number 6 in order of importance to revitalise of the 10 foreshore nodes.

#### 5. Deck, Scented Garden and Melaleuca Grove (Part 01, p22)

Answer Options	Very low importance	Low importance	Neutral	High importance	Very high importance	Rating Average	Response Count
5.1. Improved access and connectivity	54	44	197	217	75	3.37	587
5.2. Expand Melaleuca Grove/boardwalk	67	57	189	192	80	3.28	585
5.3. Improvements to Scented Gardens	46	52	178	212	96	3.45	584
5.4. Introduce zoo fodder garden for educational	73	58	193	163	99	3.27	586
<b>answered question</b>							<b>587</b>
<b>skipped question</b>							<b>347</b>



While there was general support for all of the opportunities identified for this area (average rating 3.27 to 3.45), improvements to the **Scented Gardens** ranked highest, with **308** people considering this of high/ very high importance (and an average rating 3.45).

#### *Comments on the Deck, Scented Garden & Melaleuca Grove:*

*The major asset I would like to see expansion/protection of is the melaleuca grove/boardwalk. The ecosystem supports beautiful wildlife and should be better protected - I'm happy to volunteer to help!*

... Melaleuca trees on the foreshore should have hollows and short dead stems retained for fauna habitat value. The practice of the City of South Perth staff/contractors heavily cutting back these trees each year reduces this environmental value that can be achieved by doing less with no real negative implications. It is recommended that the City should extend its yearly replanting programs for Melaleuca, sheoak, flooded gum etc. along the foreshore to allow for eventual replacement of existing mature and senescent trees along the entire foreshore over the coming decades. This particularly applies for the areas immediately east and west of Coode Street.

*Melaleuca Grove needs attention it is very neglected.*

*...The last tree planting programme was hardly worth the effort - for example the footprint of the melaleuca grove could easily have been increased without affecting views. More very tall, thin canopied, trees could have been planted.*

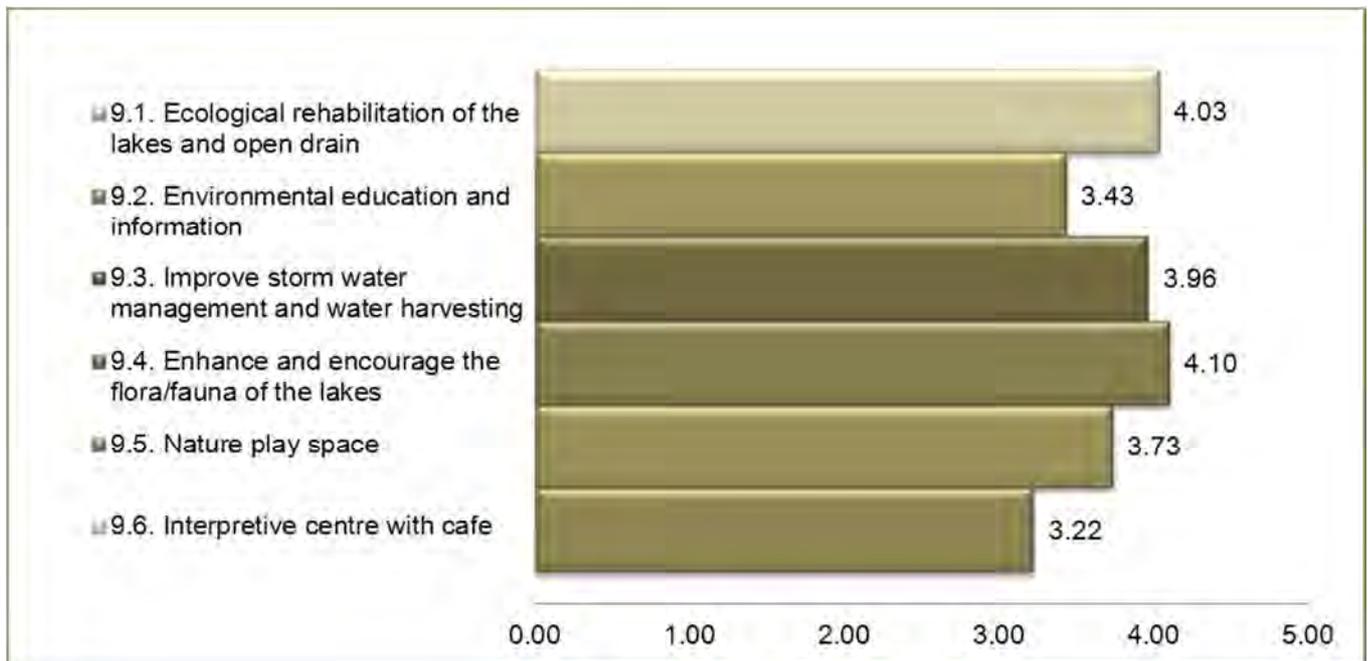
## THE LAKES



### Ranked number 7 in order of importance to revitalise of the 10 foreshore nodes.

#### 9. The Lakes (Part 01, p26)

Answer Options	Very low importance	Low importance	Neutral	High Importance	Very high importance	Rating Average	Response Count
9.1. Ecological rehabilitation of the lakes and open	22	33	81	214	231	4.03	581
9.2. Environmental education and information	65	47	155	201	112	3.43	580
9.3. Improve storm water management and water	28	23	107	210	211	3.96	579
9.4. Enhance and encourage the flora/fauna of the	28	19	73	204	254	4.10	578
9.5. Nature play space	41	41	120	208	170	3.73	580
9.6. Interpretive centre with cafe	110	60	129	152	128	3.22	579
<i>answered question</i>							<b>581</b>
<i>skipped question</i>							<b>353</b>



4 of the opportunities had a rating average greater than 3.5:

9.1, 9.3 & 9.4 were the 3 highest rated opportunities for all 10 of the foreshore nodes:

**458** people placed high/ very high importance on **enhancing and encouraging the flora and fauna of the Lakes area** – Lake Douglas, Lake Tondut and Lake Hurlingham (identified as a Swan Habitat area), with the highest average rating of all opportunities presented for the foreshore, with 4.10.

**445** people and **421** people placed high/ very high importance on the **ecological rehabilitation** of and **improving the stormwater management and water harvesting capabilities of the lakes and drain**. (Average 4.03 and 3.96.)

**378** people rated a **Nature Play space** in the area of high/very high importance (average rating of 3.73)

Less importance was placed on the other opportunities presented, although they had an average rating of well over 3. The pros and cons of having a café in an area with an ecological and habitat focus were highlighted in the comments

## Comments on The Lakes:

*I love the lakes area just as it is. The cycle path separated from the pedestrian path is excellent. It is wonderful cycling around Perth Water and I really don't want it changed but maintained to a high standard. Unfortunately, the council is not in charge of the Causeway but the dual use for pedestrians and cyclists is woeful and dangerous.*

*The Sir James Mitchell Park is a unique area - used by people from the wider areas of Perth - It should be preserved for future generations. The lakes particularly. Removal of reeds, have also lost us the Black Swans - who came here to nest from Mongers Lake. They mate for life. No Pelicans anymore. I know the area since - The War!!*

*Increased people access is at odds with maintaining nature at the Lakes. Maintaining and developing breeding bird sites and increasing diversity of species at the Lakes will be adversely impacted by increased people access. With the further development at Burswood it is even more imperative to protect this habitat in City of South Perth.*

*The Lakes area is alive with birds and I think it would be a bad idea to establish a cafe which concentrated human activities around The Lakes - whereas the Mends St area is already full of people and could probably handle some more commercial development. Thankyou for the opportunity to comment.*

*In defence of my comments at The Lakes area, this is already such a lovely and pristine spot and an area I often go to for its unique tranquillity. I would hate to have it commercialised and 'overused'? I'm sure the area could use some improvement, but doubt that offering a café strip or commercial vendors would add amenity to this lovely and probably very environmentally sensitive area.*

*Please respect the native flora and fauna as a priority. If you must add 'children's play equipment' why not plant some trees that in future years will become good climbing trees for children so that they can have a hint of a natural existence (and lots of fun)!! Commercial activity should be kept to a minimum. Respecting the natural beauty of the area a priority.*

*We have lost BBQ's and seating at junction Hurlingham Lake /pedestrian path - would like to see more seats and trees planted for shade along pedestrian path, especially for older walkers. Thank you.*

*Most visitors enjoy the existing openness and water vistas and lake views. More small cafes / kiosks, low level in inconspicuous, that blend in. not infringing views! The lakes area is well utilised by families having picnics.*

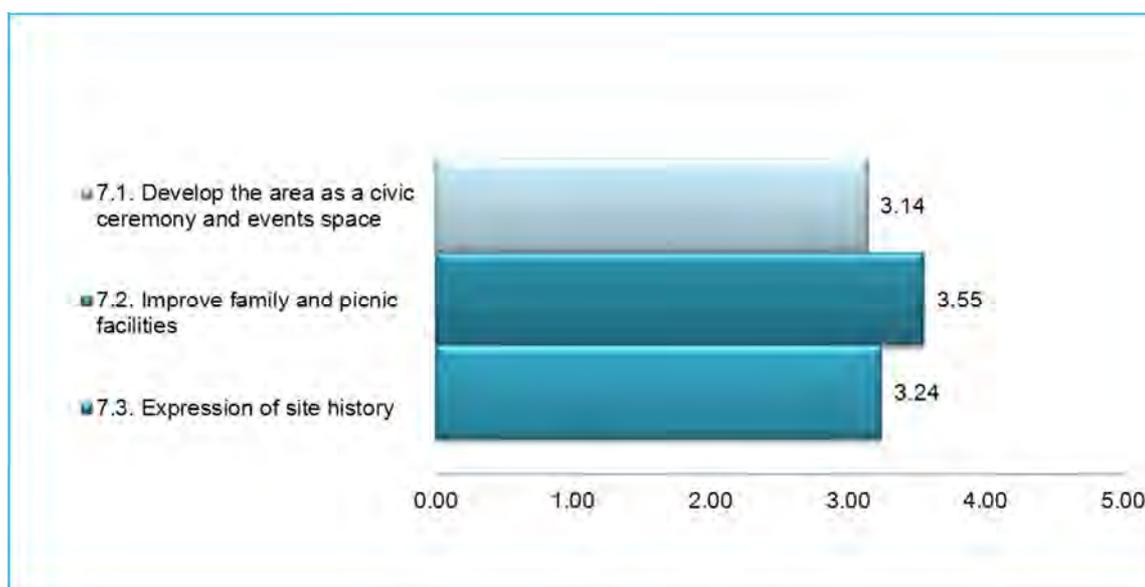
## FLAG POLE



### Ranked number 8 in order of importance to revitalise of the 10 foreshore nodes.

#### 7. Flagpole (Part 01, p24)

Answer Options	Very low importance	Low importance	Neutral	High importance	Very high importance	Rating Average	Response Count
7.1. Develop the area as a civic ceremony and events	77	82	174	188	64	3.14	585
7.2. Improve family and picnic facilities	54	49	111	259	110	3.55	583
7.3. Expression of site history	69	72	178	180	86	3.24	585
<b>answered question</b>							<b>585</b>
<b>skipped question</b>							<b>349</b>



**369** people placed high/ very high importance on **improving family and picnic facilities**

There was general support for the other 2 opportunities for this area, **developing the area as a civic ceremony and events space**, and **expression of site history**, with both scoring an average rating of over 3.

*... I think it's important to have the Aboriginal flag, the WA flag as well as the Australian flag flying on the foreshore and to tell the story of the first meeting between European and Aboriginal people on the South Perth foreshore. An annual commemorative event would be significant.*

*The areas of the foreshore reserved for open fields and grassed areas is far too large and definitely underused. The excessive tracts of grassed open space, particularly behind the flagpole and near The Lakes, would have a far more beneficial purpose if restored to pre-European wetlands, with boardwalks, information and visitor facilities...*

*I believe the South Perth foreshore is one of Perth's greatest assets, however most of it is under utilised. I think the area around the 'pole' has a lot of potential but is currently poorly used as it is just a large grassed area (and the grass is dead most of summer). Also I believe access particularly through upgrading cycle routes is vitally important.*

*...Perhaps license some coffee/ food vans to service the flagpole area, under the Narrows Bridge, down towards Heirisson Island region and near the scented gardens region...*

*Also the car park east of the Bellhouse near the Flag pole should have been at the back and not in the front area where it is. As it is now our cars have lovely views of the river and the people sit back behind them?*

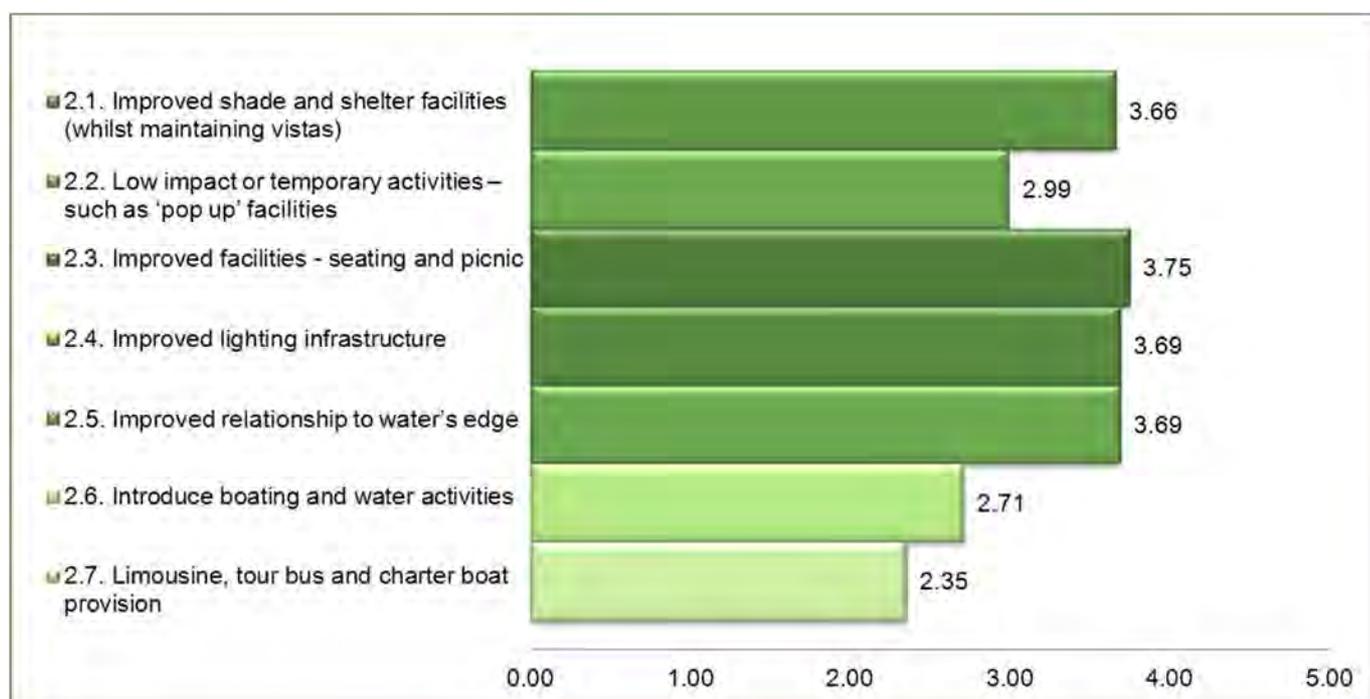
## ESPLANADE WEST



### Ranked number 9 in order of importance to revitalise of the 10 foreshore nodes.

#### 2. Esplanade West (Part 01, p19)

Answer Options	Very low importance	Low importance	Neutral	High importance	Very high importance	Rating Average	Response Count
2.1. Improved shade and shelter facilities (whilst	59	39	100	230	158	3.66	586
2.2. Low impact or temporary activities - such as 'pop	111	90	153	153	78	2.99	585
2.3. Improved facilities - seating and picnic	43	34	97	257	151	3.75	582
2.4. Improved lighting infrastructure	39	38	128	230	144	3.69	579
2.5. Improved relationship to water's edge	44	51	115	208	167	3.69	585
2.6. Introduce boating and water activities	151	102	165	92	72	2.71	582
2.7. Limousine, tour bus and charter boat provision	189	130	168	64	33	2.35	584
<i>answered question</i>							<b>586</b>
<i>skipped question</i>							<b>348</b>



People want **improved shade and shelter facilities (whilst maintaining vistas)** (388 high/ very high 3.66 av.),

and **improved seating and picnic facilities and lighting** (374/ 3.75);

and **improved relationship to the water's edge** (375/ 3.69).

**Limousine tour bus and charter boat provision** was the least popular, with **189** people considering this of low importance, and an average rating of only 2.35. **Introducing boating and water activities** rated only slightly higher.

## Comments on the Esplanade West

...The area between Mends St and Mill Point is also underutilised, the thin strip of grass not doing justice to the views of the site. Better landscaping might revitalise this area.

*The Esplanade is dangerously over parked and bikes are not using bike paths. It is only a matter of time before someone gets killed. Get the bikes off the road and eliminate some of the car parking spots where the road narrows to less than a comfortable lane either way. As a peninsular resident I am sick and tired of suffering restricted access to my home caused by the City's obsession with closing roads and the freeway ramps for event after event. Residents first, not residents last as it currently is!*

*It is paramount in my opinion to plant more trees along the foreshore west of the Bellhouse cafe. Looking at the strand in Townsville would be a great place to start. The area as it is very boring and walking along it is very very hot in the summer months without any shade. Get rid of the English rose gardens and plant trees! In summer our foreshore is barren of people as opposed to Point Walter where there is plenty of shade and the river activities attract heaps of people. South Perth needs more activities on the river perhaps holding skiing events to watch or let the jet skis back in or hire canoes up this end....*

*Esplanade West - most visitors enjoy sitting on rugs/ folding chairs to enjoy vista of water and city lights. Suggest low - Japanese style tables for picnics, more bench seats and bins. Duplicate the impressive viewing deck. Minimal low line modern landscape gardens and feature paving. Any development should be minimal to this narrow lawned area that is magnificent vista for visitors, photographers, bridal parties to enjoy.*

*...Esplanade west does not have trees but it would be a shame to see them there. That is the strip that provides such a wonderful view of the city.*

*Please don't plant trees on Esplanade where people have spent a lot of money to live there to enjoy the view of the water and skyline, not trees.*

*Foreshore areas along S.P.Esplanade should be made attractive with well-designed landscaping treatment resulting in quiet and passive environment and retaining the wonderful views to the City. East of the Esplanade there is space for considering more activity and providing well located parking and avoiding disturbing nearby residents.*

*Do not plant trees along South Perth Esplanade, 9 months of the year people love to have a foreshore area in which they can enjoy the sunshine and the panoramic views. For the remaining 3 months there is probably 10 days of which it is too hot to sit in the sun, don't come here on these days - go where there is shade if you to go out in the heat of the day, or go to the beach! .*

*I would be passionate about developing the Western Esplanade area into attractive gardens similar to the Bell Tower area while retaining vistas. Beautiful trees and paths would greatly enhance the feel of the area...*

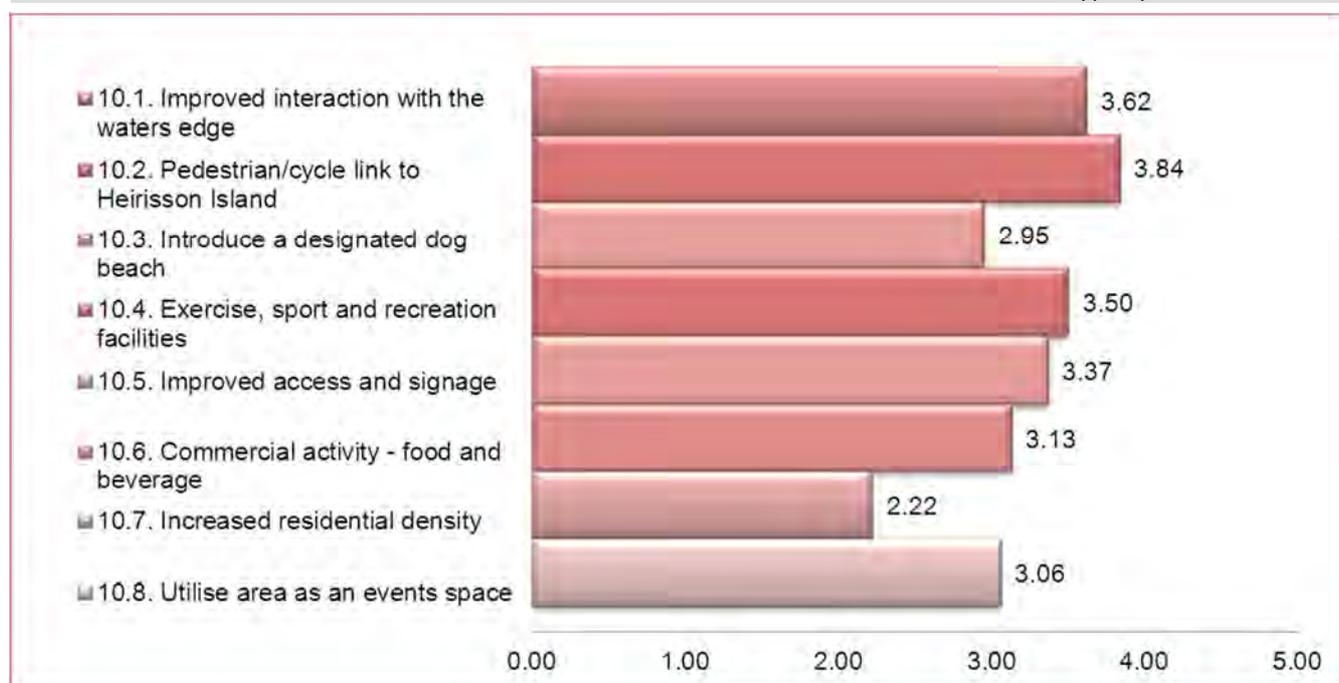
## ELLAM STREET



### Ranked number 10 in order of importance to revitalise of the 10 foreshore nodes.

#### 10. Ellam Street (Part 01, p27)

Answer Options	Very low importance	Low importance	Neutral	High importance	Very high importance	Rating Average	Response Count
10.1. Improved interaction with the waters edge	48	32	146	219	136	3.62	581
10.2. Pedestrian/cycle link to Heirisson Island	42	36	97	204	203	3.84	582
10.3. Introduce a designated dog beach	139	76	147	116	104	2.95	582
10.4. Exercise, sport and recreation facilities	62	42	134	234	111	3.50	583
10.5. Improved access and signage	52	69	163	197	95	3.37	576
10.6. Commercial activity - food and beverage	130	50	136	147	119	3.13	582
10.7. Increased residential density	275	75	119	57	56	2.22	582
10.8. Utilise area as an events space	113	65	156	172	76	3.06	582
<i>answered question</i>							<b>584</b>
<i>skipped question</i>							<b>350</b>



These opportunities had a rating average greater than 3.5:

**407** people placed high/ very high importance on a **pedestrian cycle link to Heirisson Island** (average rating 3.84)

With high support for **exercise, sport and recreation facilities** (average rating 3.50) and **improving the interaction with the water's edge** (average rating 3.62).

Less importance was placed on the other opportunities presented, with some confusion arising on Question 10.7 re residential density, which referred to the already existing surrounding residential area, not the reserve land of the foreshore, and low importance on introducing a designated dog beach.

## Comments on Ellam Street:

*Re Ellam Street - the pedestrian / cycle link should be to Heirisson Island and on to the City at Point Fraser, with better connections to the northern side of the Causeway bridge than currently exist.*

*Have strong negative view towards making a permanent entertainment hub at Ellam St or on James Mitchell park. The park should be reserved as a dog exercise area and for the occasional exercise area for community groups*

*...Ellam Street could have a Café, Toilet Block, Bike Racks, extra Parking etc., WITHOUT intruding on the Vistas of Residents of Lamb Street. This seems like a logical place for more social engagement as there isn't anywhere along the Foreshore, east of Mends Street, other than the Boatshed Kiosk, if you want to obtain a Coffee and Snack whilst out walking or cycling. Ellam Street would also cater for the Swan River Trust, and Southgate Centre employees as well as Locals. I believe that Pop-up type Catering should be introduced right along the Foreshore on an experimental basis, especially east of Coode Street. What is NOT needed is more Boatshed style venues, where there is a very small Kiosk and people refer to the Boatshed Restaurant as a Wedding Reception Centre. It is the masses which need to be catered for.*

*What's with the increase residential in Ellam Street? I don't like the sound of that. Keep buildings away from this unique & fabulous strip of nature along our beautiful Swan River.*

*We really enjoy using the South Perth foreshore for exercise and walking our dog. Having swampy ground adjacent to Ellam St is a real turn-off.*

*Prefer to see commercial activity in the Coode St. to Ellam St area as either "pop-up", or low key. Rubbish from these facilities makes its way into the river. Commercial Water activities should be limited to the current sailing or canoe only, i.e. no paddle boats!*

*Would especially like to see Ellam Street locality and Mill Point locality improved. Both are currently devoid of any character and feel very hot and desolate in summer and cold and empty in winter.*

*Would like to see Ellam St end used more. Junior playing fields, club rooms. Beaches along the rivers edge. BBQ's areas and shelters.*

*In the whole area covered by the survey there is an inadequate and limited amount of seating; there should be more cafes and food outlets particularly in the Ellam Street area where there is already power and water to the Water Dept. and Swan River Trust; the river wall should be replaced by a higher wall in some places and beaches in other suitable areas with more consideration for bird life.*

*Facilitate mobile food/drink vans and outdoor settings during the high use seasons. May be opportunity with Vic Park for permanent food facility at Ellam St.*

*I have for a long time thought that mobile coffee / Hamburger/ icecream vans should be encouraged to set up in the car parks near Coode St and Ellam to supply food and drinks to the public.*

*...Another tea room/cafe could be situated in the Ellam street area as if you walk the bridges there is a long gap between the Boatshed Cafe and the cafes on the Barack Street Jetty...*

## SOUTH PERTH FORESHORE - COMPARISONS WITH OTHER PLACES

Comments that considered the South Perth Foreshore in comparison with other places in Perth, Australia, and the world...

*Wellington* also has a beautiful foreshore with markets and cafe's and shopping, boating, culture (maori waka house), theatre house, right in the city, they've made an industrial space work. We have more space and its parkland so we should be able to get all that and more.

A facility like 'The Beach' at **South Bank in Brisbane** CBD is what South Perth is waiting for!  
[http://www.bcl.com.au/brisbane/views/q027\\_b.htm](http://www.bcl.com.au/brisbane/views/q027_b.htm) So many tourists, great links to the CBD via excellent ferry service, fantastic commercial opportunities and an awesome time for our kids.

Open all shops Saturday and Sunday as they do in other **Cities all over the world**.

A playground similar to the Rio Tinto Naturescape in **Kings Park** would be ideal. It would also be great to have a playground similar to the **Lake Macquarie** Variety Playground (Speers Point Park, Lake Macquarie) which was awarded "Best Play Space in Australia" by Parks and Leisure Australia in 2011.

If the outcome is similar to **Brisbane's South Bank**, but with appropriate free open space for community use and access, the council will have done well.....

Take note of foreshore development in **Townsville, Qld**. They have developed some sophisticated and enticing water features and playgrounds. South Perth children's facilities play areas and parks do not reach the standard of many other local government areas - e.g. **City of Belmont**

Markets are very well received, see **Mindi Beach at Darwin, Ulladulla Beach market** for example.. **Brisbane south beach** is a good example of integrated facilities with food, recreation and events provided for. Mends beach desperately needs shade and BBQ facilities. Wider variety of food outlets required, especially family friendly. Having travelled all round Australia this is still the best location of all, just underutilised.

It is paramount in my opinion to plant more trees along the foreshore west of the Bellhouse cafe. Looking at the strand in **Townsville** would be a great place to start. The area as it is very boring and walking along it is very very hot in the summer months without any shade. Get rid of the English rose gardens and plant trees! In summer our foreshore is barren of people as opposed to **Point Walter** where there is plenty of shade and the river activities attract heaps of people. South Perth needs more activities on the river perhaps holding skiing events to watch or let the jet skis back in or hire canoes up this end. Also the car park east of the Bellhouse near the Flag pole should have been at the back and not in the front area where it is. As it is now our cars have lovely views of the river and the people sit back behind them?

Do it well!! Select your supplier wisely and review what has worked/not worked for **other cities**. It is such a great space and it needs to be brought to life properly. Do not mess it up like **Perth** tends to do.

I think the South Perth foreshore is grossly underdeveloped and needs to be upgraded to provide greater utility in all areas. The parklands are a disgrace when compared to areas such as **Kings Park** and the city foreshore. The public should have access to and use of the water which means more shade, seating and BBQ facilities are required. Reasonable commercial development of the foreshore is essential to maximize utilization. This should be done using a licensed based system via leases granted by council.

What about introducing an outdoor public pool that seems like a beach - and could be landscaped so that you would feel like you were swimming in the vastness of the river, with an amazing view.... but without the slimy water, jellyfish and bull sharks! **Southbank in Brisbane** is fantastic and so well utilised in summer. South Perth "beach" could be equally successful and draw people to the area. Cafes, ice cream stalls, change rooms and picnic areas nearby could allow for a family day at the beach with all the amenity, 5 minutes drive from the city!

I like the idea of regular night markets at Mends street. What about a weekly farmers market with traffic closed off on Mends street every Sat/Sun morning? Pop-up bars/cafes along the foreshore would be a great way to better use the city views. A water development, similar to **Brisbane's South Bank**, would be fantastic

either close to Mends street or Coode street - you could add in weekend markets at the same location to encourage use. One note for kayak launch facilities, is that you will need to make sure there is parking (or pick-up/set down) right next to the launch facility.

I would love to see alfresco cafes or small bars appear along the foreshore so you can sit with family and relax and look at the beautiful views and surrounds. Even something like the **Cairns** foreshore with mudlarks playground and cafe would be really good.

Like the idea of a pool similar to **Southbank in Brisbane** located in Sir James Mitchell park. Need better playgrounds. Why not have the "world's best playground" for families on South Perth foreshore?

No sale of land no 99 years leasehold. Only short term leases for commercial 35 years. If short term is good enough for **Kings Park** then it should be good enough for Sir James Mitchell park. Do not have any high density buildings in the park. Retain as a park around the swan river and retain views of river and city. The view from the lookout is the best view, but the lookout needs upgrade to look better. Buildings should be low single storey like the current cafes boatshed and provide additional interesting things. Sculpture art and adult exercise equipment in the park as well as play grounds.

I'd suggest having a water play park similar to **Townsville's Strand and Muddies Playground on the Cairns Esplanade** to be located near the Coode Street playground as there is parking and a café nearby. Improved toilets / change rooms would be required. Near the Ellam Street open space I'd suggest having a kids playground similar to **Donnybrooks Apple Fun park** with adult exercise machines close by so both adults and kids get exercise in the glorious Perth sunshine:) Very much like the idea of a café near Hurlingham lakes :)

I would like to see some sort of night markets setup along the foreshore. In **Darwin** there are the Mindil Beach markets which work really well during the dry season and have lots of people coming for the food, arts and crafts. I think a location somewhere on the foreshore would be ideal to create a similar sort of environment. Perhaps it would be best on a night during the week, maybe Thursday during Summer period (maybe the festival timing?) and have foodstalls and arts/crafts set up along the foreshore. Maybe along the stretch from Mends St. Parking would be the issue though. Alternatively could try and do a weekend market during the day time on a Sat or Sun morning until midday. Also have this arrangement at various locations in Darwin eg. Parap and Nightcliff. Only issue would be conflict of the cycling paths with the markets. If you have a defined area though on the grass, so you limit the size of the markets, would be good. During the morning, it may encourage people to ride down there to partake. To my knowledge we don't seem to have these kind of markets setup in location such as these in Perth, and I think this would be a good tourist attraction as well, taking in all the various cuisines from metropolitan Perth, along with art/craft which should improve cultural aspect that the city is trying to go for.

We should replace the problematic river wall wherever possible with shallow limestone rubble, sand and river vegetation embankments (ie with gentle slopes to slow the water down (as utilized by Dutch and Chinese engineers). Easier, and probably cheaper, to maintain and allows for the height of the embankment to be increased with a minimum of effort. Perpendicular walls are always going to be subjected to the full force of currents and wave action. Areas nearby which don't have river walls and which work well can be seen at **Frasers Point, Heirrisson Island** and near the Casino. The removal of the walls beautifies the rivers edge and removes the barrier so there is greater interaction between the shoreline and river (ie removes the barrier for kids and people).

By comparison to other recognised Shire Councils e.g. **Noosa Shire Council**, the standards already established are almost as high. There is a tendency to disparage what has already been achieved. Incremental beautification is always necessary but the idea of spending millions to compete with what's occurring on the **Perth City** side of the river is fallacious thinking.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment. To improve Sir James Mitchell Park I would for the **Rio De Janeiro** designed cafe/ bars with large fixed umbrellas provided at the beach areas and at various other strategic locations. See hyperlink <http://www.rio.com/restaurants/kiosks-at-copacabana-beach> The design of the structure is not intrusive. The cafe/ bars each had large circular sliding doors to secure the bar area and sufficient space was available inside the building to store the out door furniture after closing hours. At specific locations along the foreshore underground public toilet facilities were also provided. Where canoe / small boat hire venues are proposed please provide large floating pontoons which can also be used for families to relax at

*a cafe/bar area similar to what has been provided on **Lake Zurich, Switzerland**. This large pontoon had a cafe bar/ area with small change rooms and sufficient space on the pontoon to enjoy the area. See hyperlink [http://www.lago-zuerich.ch/fileadmin/slideshow\\_lago/index.html](http://www.lago-zuerich.ch/fileadmin/slideshow_lago/index.html) In the past outdoor swimming baths use to be found along the length of the Swan River and to bring one back into the City of South Perth would be a significant for the residents of South Perth who currently do not have an outdoor public swimming pool. Recently the City of **Copenhagen** built an outdoor swimming baths. See hyperlink <http://jdsa.eu/bad/> The South Perth foreshore is often used for entertainment events. To increase the use of the River I'd suggest that floating pontoon stages be provided in the river similar to what they have done in on Lake Bregenz in **Switzerland** where they have incredible events. See hyperlink <http://twistedstifter.com/2011/08/outdoor-opera-on-the-lake-stages-of-bregenz/>*

*We use this area when we come to Perth and it is just a joy to be able to get away from the density of the city. Please keep the developers away and leave the area for the people and the wild life. The river is being choked with development. Travellers from all over the world enjoy the river from the South Perth side and envy us the wonderful space to just enjoy the view. Please please don't follow Perth and destroy our uniqueness. You now have the chance to listen to the people and be different so future generations will be able to enjoy this wonderful area due to people of vision.*

## All Comments

All South Perth Foreshore 2013 and Beyond survey comments are available on the City of South Perth website.