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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (EPSDD) undertook community engagement on the draft Integrated Plan for the Red Hill Nature Reserve and Surrounds (draft Plan) from 13 November 2019 to 31 December 2019. This period of consultation follows a two year process of planning and stakeholder engagement, during which time a number of community organisations and residents groups were consulted and informed on the data collection and drafting of the plan. Options and recommendations referred to within this report can be found within the draft Plan - [Draft Integrated Plan for Red Hill Nature Reserve and Surrounds \(PDF 3.6MB\)](#).

During the seven (7) week engagement period, EPSDD heard from over 900 community members through a number of engagement methods including local drop-in sessions, an online survey and email submissions.

The purpose of engagement for this project was to:

- a. Gauge community sentiment on the draft Plan, and
- b. Inform community members on the planning process undertaken to develop the draft Plan.

EPSDD is confident that engagement has achieved these purposes as evidenced through the number of people spoken to, the various avenues through which information was shared and the commentary provided by community members.

Outcomes of the engagement reveal that:

- There is majority community support¹ for recommendations 1 – 6 presented in Option 4 within the draft Plan.
- There is also support² for recommendation 7, which provides for the Federal Golf Course to develop a 125 unit retirement village at the southern portion of the site.
- Appropriate measures need to be in place to ensure that proposed road upgrades cater to future traffic use and consider the impact of other developments in the area (e.g. SPIRE project at Canberra Hospital).
- Appropriate measures also need to ensure minimal ecological impact which includes wide buffers surrounding the development and further ecological assessments of the proposed location.
- The draft plan adequately recognises and protects the ecological values of the Red Hill Nature Reserve and surrounding areas.

This report provides an in depth analysis of the engagement and communications methodology including a breakdown of what we heard from community.

¹ These recommendations received between 64% and 93% support from survey participants and the majority of email submissions (75% +) received offered support for them.

² Recommendation 7 received support from 85% of email submissions and 38% of survey participants (noting 37% opposed and 25% neutral).

INTRODUCTION

The Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (EPSDD) have prepared a [Draft Integrated Plan for Red Hill Nature Reserve and Surrounds \(PDF 3.6MB\)](#) (draft Plan).

The draft Plan has been developed in response to a [resolution of the Legislative Assembly of 25 October 2017](#), which called on the Government to:

- '*not proceed with separate Territory Plan Variations for residential development for Section 66, Kent Street Deakin, the Federal Golf Course and for sites immediately adjacent to Red Hill Nature Reserve; and*
- '*Only proceed with a joint Territory Plan Variation for sites after completion of an integrated plan for Red Hill Nature Reserve and surrounding residential areas,'*
- The resolution outlined further considerations that also needed to be addressed in the plan.

The draft Plan considers four possible options for the context area and identifies a preferred option (Option 4) which includes a series of recommendations related to future development potential, green space and managing the environmental values of the area.

PURPOSE OF ENGAGEMENT

The resolution of the Legislative Assembly called for the creation of an integrated plan which:

- "*limits development to proposals that have been developed in close consultation with the community and have a reasonable likelihood of majority community support."*

Therefore, the primary purpose of engagement was to capture community sentiment on the draft Plan and the recommendations it provided.

The draft Plan was developed in close consultation with various stakeholder groups over a two-year period and involved a range of technical studies to provide recommendations which considered the most appropriate use for land in the area.

Informing the community on the planning process undertaken and informing them of the rationale behind best practice planning decisions formed a secondary purpose of the engagement.

AUDIENCE

The target included community organisations, residents, businesses within the study area of the draft plan. This included the suburbs of Garran, Deakin and Hughes (*Table 1*).

Table 1: Demographics of suburbs within the context area

Suburb	Population (2016 Census)	Population Growth Rate (2018)
Garran	3,647	1.5%
Deakin	2,988	0.7%
Hughes	3,012	-0.1%

Engagement also considered frequent users of the Red Hill Nature Reserve and Federal Golf Course as these are both important landmarks considered within the draft plan.

At a broader level, the Inner South and Woden Valley districts were considered as the geographical areas with the highest level of interest and influence in the project.

ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

Table 2: Engagement methods utilised

Method	Purpose	Engagement Outcome
Postcard letterbox drop	Inform the community of the draft Plan including where and how they could have a say.	Inform
Social media posts	Inform the community of the draft plan including where and how they could have a say.	Inform
Local drop in sessions	Provide a face to face opportunity for community members to hear about the draft plan, ask questions and provide feedback directly to EPSDD planners.	Listen/Consult
Presentation to Woden Valley Community Council	Inform the council and community members on the draft plan and outcomes from the local drop in sessions.	Inform
Online survey	Capture sentiment from a broad data source to identify the level of general support and opposition for the draft Plan.	Listen/Consult
Email submissions	Capture feedback on elements of the draft Plan – provides an avenue for detailed comment from community members and organisations.	Listen/Consult

TIMELINE OF ENGAGEMENT

Chart 1: Timeline of engagement for the draft plan



WHY WE ENGAGED

As noted above, the draft Plan has been developed in response to a [resolution of the Legislative Assembly of 25 October 2017.](#)

The resolution of the Legislative Assembly followed numerous proposals by the Federal Golf Course to develop part of the site as a means of securing their ongoing financial viability. The conversation about development on the golf course has occurred over a number of years and has often been met with community concern.

The development of the draft Red Hill Integrated Plan provides recommendations for the most appropriate use of land in the area, including the Federal Golf Course. Given the previous history of this site and community concern for future development, engagement was undertaken to gauge community response to the recommendations of the draft plan and inform community members of the planning process undertaken.

WHAT WE ASKED

Engagement sought to identify the level of community support or opposition for the draft plan and the recommendations made within it.

Some of the questions posed to community members at drop-ins included:

1. Do you support the draft plan?
2. What recommendations do you support or oppose? Why?
3. Do you support the planning process undertaken to develop the draft plan?

The online survey conducted provided an opportunity for participants to indicate their support for specific recommendations made within the draft plan. A full list of the questions asked through the survey can be found at [Appendix A](#).

THE RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The Draft Canberra Nature Park Reserve Management Plan should be finalised in response to public submissions received during public notification and implemented.
2. The existing management regime for the open space network should be retained.
3. The old Deakin tip should be capped in its entirety including areas within the Red Hill Nature Reserve and within Deakin Section 66, Block 8.
4. The following road network investigations and upgrades should be considered for address in the short-term:
 - a. Kent Street – undertake future upgrades in response to current use and future predicted growth:
 - i. Strickland Crescent and Carruthers intersection – upgrade investigations.
 - ii. Birdwood and Kitchener Streets – upgrade investigations for safety and capacity.

- b. Red Hill and Gowrie Drive intersection upgrades possibly required in terms of safety and capacity.
- 5. The existing Residential RZ1 Suburban zoned residential blocks adjoining the Red Hill Nature Reserve should be retained under this Plan. Any future changes to residential zonings may be more appropriately dealt with as part of a broader review of residential zones.
- 6. The Deakin Section 66 site is rezoned as follows:
 - a. Blocks 2 and 6 are rezoned from the existing Transport TSZ2 Services Zone to the Commercial CZ2 Business Zone primarily to reflect current uses on the site consistent with uses in the surrounding Deakin office park (residential uses not permitted); and
 - b. Block 13 Section 78 is rezoned to the PRZ1 Urban Open Space Zone primarily to reflect ecological values of the site.
 - c. Blocks 7 and 8 are either partly or entirely rezoned to the PRZ1 Urban Open Space Zone primarily to reflect ecological values of the site.
- 7. Provisions be made for the Federal Golf Course site to:
 - a. Limit the range of commercial and entertainment uses permitted on the golf course under the existing PRZ2 Restricted Access Recreation Zone potentially excluding clubs, hotels and motels.
 - b. Retain sufficient land for an 18-hole golf course on the site as well as associated uses.
 - c. Provide for a 125 unit retirement village at the southern portion of the site.
 - d. Provide access as follows:
 - i. access to the retirement village via Kitchener Street
 - ii. retain access to the golf club via Gowrie Drive
 - iii. no public access road between the retirement village and the golf club.
 - e. Protect key ecological values on the site, particularly at the interface with the Red Hill Nature Reserve, hollow bearing trees, and where continuous ecological corridors can be provided. This can be managed through careful location and design of:
 - i. the retirement village
 - ii. the gold course greens and associated infrastructure; and
 - iii. the external access road from Kitchener Street and the internal roads.
 - f. Implement a buffer around the golf course and the retirement village to:
 - i. provide and protect ecological corridors and values; and to
 - ii. maintain amenity of surrounding residential areas.

WHO WE ENGAGED WITH

Table 3: Stakeholders engaged with

Stakeholder	Key Considerations	Impacted/ Interested	Engagement channel (s)
Development proponents	(Including the Hindmarsh group and Federal Golf Club) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Support development outcomes ➢ Advocates of development potential whilst balancing ecological values and recreational facilities. 	High impact / high interest	Drop-ins in Red Hill, Online Panel survey and letterbox drop.
Environmental interest groups	(Including ACT Conservation Council, Red Hill Regenerators, Friends of Grasslands, Hughes Woodland Group) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Keen interest in Nature Reserve and any recommendations that impact on ecological values. 	High impact / high interest	Drop-ins in Red Hill and Online Panel survey.
Local residents' groups	(Including Red Hill Residents Group, Deakin Residents Association, Hughes Residents Association, Garran and Hughes Residents' Action Group) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Keen interest in the plan as a whole, negative sentiment about development where it may impact on residential amenity of surrounding areas and increased traffic on local roads. 	High impact / high interest	Drop-ins in Red Hill, Online Panel survey and letterbox drop.
Community Councils	(Including Inner South Canberra Community Council and Woden Valley Community Council) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Support an integrated approach to planning in the area. 	Moderate impact / moderate interest	Presentations to community councils.
Inner South and Woden residents and workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Protective of the Nature Reserve and associated ecological values. ➢ Support for protecting urban open space and recreation facilities 	Moderate impact / moderate interest	Drop-ins in Red Hill and Online Panel survey.
Broader Canberra community	Minimal interest – only relevant to Canberrans who frequent the area. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Protective of the Nature Reserve and associated ecological values. ➢ Support for protecting urban open space and recreation facilities 	Low impact / low interest	Nil – information will be available on EPSDD website, otherwise engagement is targeted.

WHO WE HEARD FROM AND HOW

Table 4: Number of participants across engagement methods

Method	Date(s)	Participants
Local drop in sessions	Saturday 23 November	48 people
	Tuesday 26 November	45 people
	Thursday 28 November	74 people
Total drop ins		167 people
Online survey	Friday 20 December – Thursday 2 January	183 people*
Email submissions	Wednesday 13 November – Tuesday 31 December	582 people*
Total:		932 people

* Refer to [Appendix A](#) and [Appendix C](#) for further details.

WHAT WE HEARD

SUMMARY OF KEY INSIGHTS FROM THE ENGAGEMENT

Throughout the engagement, we heard a variety of views on the draft Plan. Community members were most interested in the recommendations made under Option 4 which provide for the Federal Golf Course to develop a maximum 125 unit retirement village on the southern portion of the site.

Table 5: Key insights gained through engagement

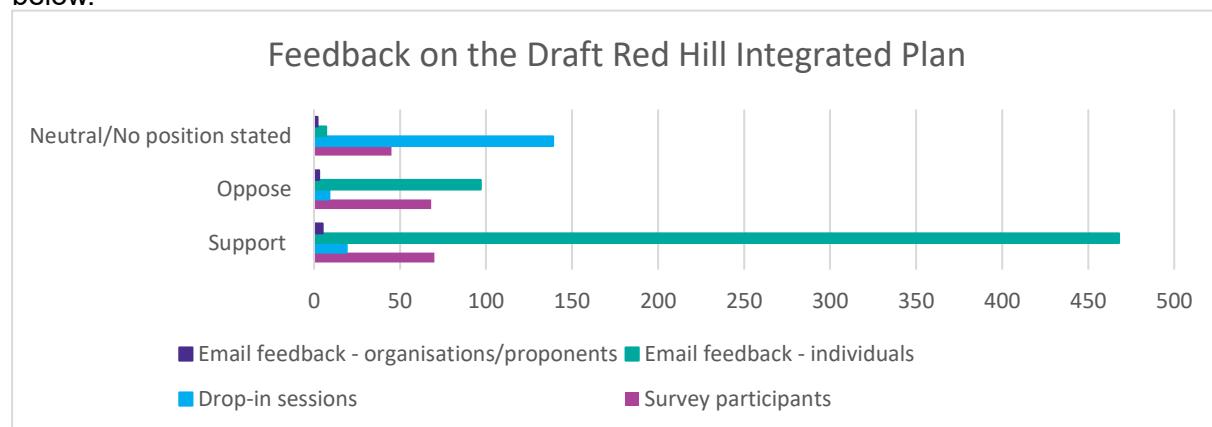
Key insights
Insight one
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> There is majority community support for recommendations 1 – 6 presented in Option 4 within the draft Red Hill Integrated Plan. Appropriate measures need to be in place to ensure that proposed road upgrades cater to future traffic use and consider the impact of other developments in the area (e.g. SPIRE project).
Insight two
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> There is also strong support for recommendation 7, which provides for the Federal Golf Course site to develop a 125 unit retirement village at the southern portion of the site. Appropriate measures need to be considered to minimise ecological impacts which includes implementing wide buffers surrounding the development and further ecological assessments of the proposed location for the development within the golf course site.
Insight three
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The draft plan adequately recognises the ecological values of the Red Hill Nature Reserve and surrounding areas.

2. There is a need to protect the areas of high ecological value on land outside the Red Hill Nature Reserve by incorporating them into the Reserve.

DETAIL OF INSIGHTS FROM THE ENGAGEMENT

Comments received about the draft Red Hill Integrated Plan focused overwhelmingly on the proposed retirement village at the Federal Golf Course, with very few comments about other aspects of the draft Plan.

In general, responses supported all other elements of the draft plan, particularly recommendations 1 – 6 presented as the preferred option within the draft plan (Option 4). This is evidenced through the email submissions and online survey in particular as outlined below.



DROP-IN SESSIONS

During the face to face drop-in sessions, community members in general expressed support for the draft Plan, particularly recommendation 6 which proposes to rezone Deakin Section 66 and limit development on the site.

As noted, community members expressed particular interest in recommendation 7 which provides for the Federal Golf Course to develop a 125 unit retirement village in the southern portion of the site. In general, participants expressed support for the proposed development location, noting:

- The Federal Golf Course was an important resource for the community and therefore options to ensure its viability were supported
- The southern location was preferable to a location to the north of the site which had previously been proposed.

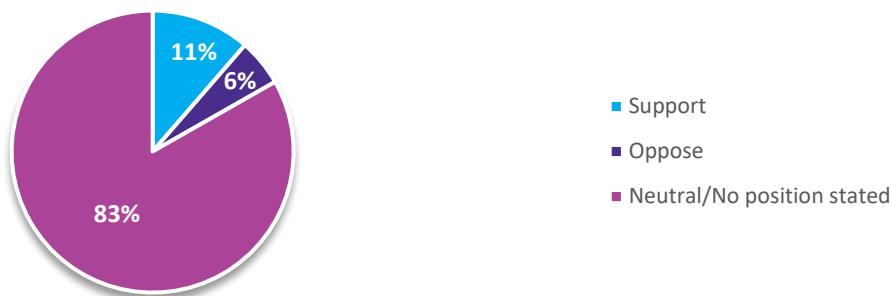
Many attendees noted that, whilst they would prefer no development occurred on the site, they supported the draft plan recommendations as the 'least worst option' for the area.

A small number of attendees expressed strong concern and opposition to the proposed development location, noting:

- A strong preference for no new development in the area at all

- Concern for the traffic and ecological impacts of both the proposed development and a proposed access road off of Kitchener Street
- Opposition to the Federal Golf Course profiting from their proposed development.

Federal Golf Club - Drop-in Sessions



Data captured during the drop-ins focused on those who expressed strong support or opposition to the draft plan, particularly the recommendations related to the Federal Golf Club. A large percentage of those engaged with did not verbally state their position, however expressed an interest in the draft plan.

ONLINE SURVEY

The online survey was completed by a sample of 183 community members across the Inner North, Inner South and Woden Valley districts and utilised the YourSay Community Panel platform.

The survey asked participants to indicate their level of support for each of the seven (7) recommendations made within the draft plan. The majority of participants supported recommendations 1 – 6 and noted the importance of protecting the ecological values within the study area.

“As someone who enjoys the Red Hill nature reserve primarily because of the connection to the nature/bushland that it affords, I would most value a management strategy that focused on the preservation of the bushland and green spaces. This would include eradication of invasive species (such as the bunnies and non-native weeds), protection of the Kangaroo mob that lives on the reserve, and thoughtful re-zoning that focuses on community use and Ngunnawal/Ngambri heritage/traditional use.” (Survey participant)

Regarding recommendation 7 within the draft Plan, survey results indicate slightly more support for the Federal Golf Course development than opposition (refer to the graph below).

Federal Golf Club - Online Survey



Results indicate that there is also a large section of the community (25%) who do not have a view as to whether the recommendation should be supported.

Some participants noted similar concerns raised at the drop-ins including:

- Ensuring the biodiversity and natural values of the area be maintained
- Considering the impact of future developments on traffic within the area
- A preference for no new development in the area at all.

Comments from survey participants included:

"I feel very strongly that one of the priorities should be for retaining the golf course as the amenity close to the reserve as it is so valuable. Development is required for viability of the course and it would appear to be well located on the southern part of the plan. It is great to see an overall approach to development instead of piecemeal."

"The Plan looks to me to be able to satisfy those who want to retain the Red Hill Nature Reserve and allow a much needed retirement complex to be situated on current Federal Golf Club land. The Plan should be approved and implemented as soon as possible."

"The federal golf club are in survival mode and they like many other clubs in ACT are looking to develop in order to retain and maintain their facilities. I would like them to consider a different approach to the current aged care market. The move once model where there are care and health facilities including available doctors on site are an interesting model."

"Red Hill Nature Reserve and Surrounds is an important natural asset and needs to be kept as such without over development encroaching on its ecology."

"I am supportive of redevelopment - but please consider roads / traffic and public transport."

"I don't mind developing the golf course but Don't lock it up the development so we can't use it. I like the careful approach adopted at Red Hill Parks development."

EMAIL SUBMISSIONS

A large volume of submissions were received via email during the consultation period. The key issue raised was in relation to possible development at the Federal Golf Course as follows:

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Table 6: Figures representing support and opposition collected through email submissions

	Support	Oppose	Neutral / No position stated	Total
Email feedback - individuals	468	97	7	572
Email feedback - organisations	4	2	2	8
Email feedback – proponents	1	1	0	2

A number of the submissions received were provided as form letters, or variations of form letters, coordinated by organisations including the Federal Golf Course (423 letters), Hughes Residents Association and Garran Residents Association.

Eight (8) stakeholder groups provided submissions on behalf of the communities which they represent which included:

Table 7: List of organisations and their expressed sentiment

Support	Oppose	Neutral / No position stated
Red Hill Regenerators	Hughes Residents Association	Friends of Grasslands
ACT Conservation Council	Garran Residents Association	National Trust
Deakin Residents Association		
Garran and Hughes Residents Action Group		

The submissions provided by stakeholder groups are deemed significant as they represent the interests of a wider cross section of community.

Commentary within the email submissions again focussed largely on recommendation 7 – the proposed Federal Golf Course development. In principle, the majority of submissions supported the draft Plan noting:

- The development on the golf course will ensure the Federal Golf Course remains and retain the area as a valued open space
- The proposed retirement village will increase housing choice for older residents to downsize and to remain within the local area
- The recommendations increase protection of ecological values within the Red Hill Nature Reserve and on land surrounding it.

Some of the supporting submissions called for:

- Greater protection of the ecological values outside the Reserve by including areas of high ecological value (parts of Deakin section 66 and the Federal Golf Course) within the reserve
- Greater protection of the buffers at the Federal Golf Course in terms of their width, function and management

- Greater protection of individual trees on the Federal Golf Course particularly if they are hollow bearing or frequently utilised by native birds (e.g. gang gang cockatoos and superb parrots).

A number of submissions opposed recommendation 7, however in many instances these responses supported all other elements of the draft Plan. The comments received in opposition to the draft Red Hill Integrated Plan generally included the following:

- The Plan will primarily benefit the golf club members and developers. Implementation of the Plan will set a precedent for development on other areas of open space
- The plan will result in loss of ecological, open space and recreation values on the Federal Golf Course
- The golf course land should be retained as a public asset for recreation and open space purposes regardless of whether it remains as a golf course.
- The proposed access off Kitchener Street for the retirement village:
 - is dangerous;
 - will result in loss of open space and ecological values; and
 - will contribute to existing traffic issues in the area caused by the two (2) schools and the existing and proposed development within the hospital precinct.
- The proposed location of the retirement village within the southern portion of the golf course will decrease amenity for the surrounding residential areas in Garran and Hughes.

EVALUATION OF ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY

The methods utilised throughout this engagement were chosen to fit the purposes of:

1. Gauging the level of community support for the draft Plan, and
2. Informing the community on the planning process undertaken including the strategic work resulting in the draft Plan, as well as how to contribute to the conversation.

Each of the methods undertaken successfully delivered on one or both of the engagement purposes as outlined in Table 8 below.

Table 8: Engagement methods and outcomes achieved.

Method	Outcome Achieved	Purpose Met
Postcard letterbox drop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community members informed of when and where to attend drop-in sessions. • New audiences reached, with community members previously unaware of the draft plan provided with an opportunity to contribute. 	# 2
Social media posts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community members informed of when and where to attend drop-in sessions. • New audiences reached, with community members previously unaware of the draft plan provided with an opportunity to contribute. 	# 2
Local drop in sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Captured community sentiment on the draft Plan. • Informed community members in detail, through face to face conversations, about the draft Plan. • Provided an opportunity to answer questions and explain in detail the rationale behind each recommendation. 	# 1 # 2
Presentation to Woden Valley Community Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informed the community council and local community members on the draft plan and what had been heard through the drop-in sessions. 	# 2
Online survey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Captured sentiment from a broad data source including new audiences previously unaware of the draft Plan. • Informed participants of the draft Plan and its recommendations by providing links through to the document. 	# 1 # 2
Email submissions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Captured detailed feedback on elements of the draft Plan including sentiment from individuals and organisations. 	# 1

DROP-IN SESSIONS

The drop-in sessions were well attended, with community members appreciative of the opportunity to discuss the draft Plan directly with EPSDD representatives. A number of attendees thanked EPSDD team members for taking the time to have a physical presence in the area.

Some comments received through the online survey and email submissions noted that the times for the drop-ins were not suitable for all community members, however consideration was given to ensure the sessions were accessible including holding one on a weekend and utilising three (3) different locations.

ONLINE SURVEY

The online survey was sent to 1,163 members of the YourSay Community Panel with 183 responses. 16% of those who received the survey responded which included residents from the Inner North, Inner South and Woden Valley districts.

Given the localised nature of the survey, a 16% response rate is considered a good result for this survey.

A small number of comments from within the survey noted that there were some challenges with the design of the survey. This included:

- The timing of the survey (released just before Christmas) was challenging and did not allow people adequate time to consider the draft Plan and respond
- Question 7, which asked participants to indicate their support for the Federal Golf Course development proposal, did not provide enough context for participants to give an informed response.

It is noted that the method of a survey does not allow for a great deal of information to be delivered at the point of questioning, however the survey provided a direct link to the draft Plan and encouraged participants in both the email invitation and at the commencement of the survey to read the draft Plan before undertaking the survey. It should also be noted that the survey was just one of the engagement methods utilised in assessing community sentiment towards the Draft Integrated Plan for Red Hill and Surrounds.

EMAIL SUBMISSIONS

An email address was provided for community members to submit more detailed commentary on the draft Plan during the engagement process. This proved to be useful, evidenced by the high volume of responses received, as it provided community members who are particularly passionate about the project to submit a detailed response.

It is noted that a number of submissions expressed concern about the consultation process. Some responses indicated that community members felt excluded from the consultation process, having only heard about the draft Plan in the lead up to the November 2019 consultation. In response, EPSDD notes that all known community organisations within the area were involved in consultation during the drafting of the plan and new organisations which emerged were invited to participate.

APPENDICES

A: SURVEY QUESTIONS



Background: Following a 2017 resolution of the Legislative Assembly, a draft Integrated Plan for the Red Hill Nature Reserve and surrounding areas has been developed.

Purpose: The research conducted through the YourSay community panel sought to capture community views on the draft Integrated Plan from Woden Valley, Inner South and Inner North Canberra residents. In particular, the research sought to capture sentiment on the proposed location for development to address the Legislative Assembly resolution and gauge community support or opposition.

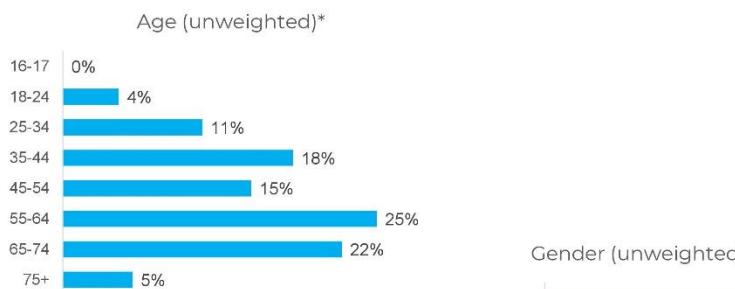
Timeframe: The survey opened on **20 December 2019** and closed on **02 January 2020**.

Sample: Only members from the Inner south, Inner north and Woden valley regions were invited to participate in the survey. **183** members completed the survey.

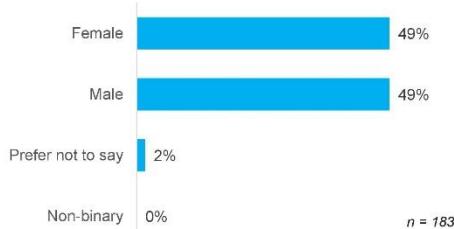
Weighting: The results have not been weighted.



Demographics



Gender (unweighted)

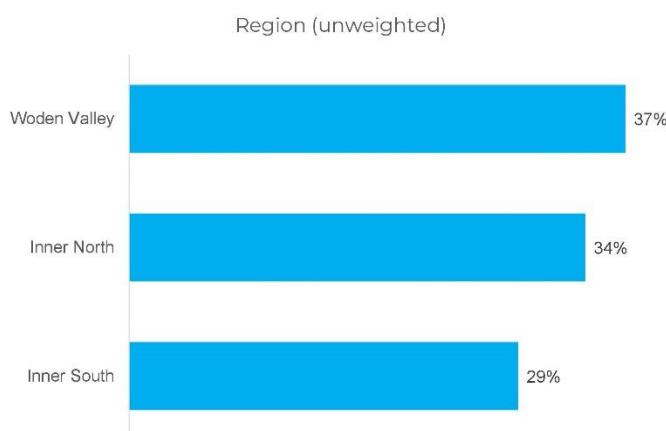


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Demographics



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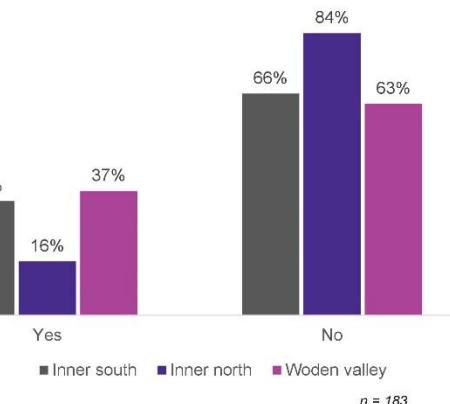


Awareness of the Plan

Q: Before today, were you aware of the draft Plan for the Red Hill Nature Reserve and Surrounds?



Q: Before today, were you aware of the draft Plan for the Red Hill Nature Reserve and Surrounds? **By region**

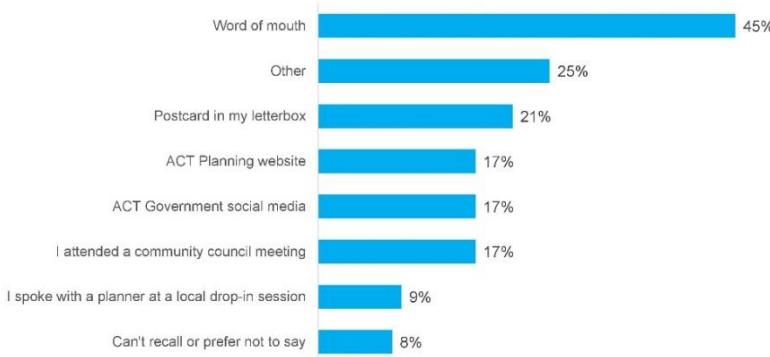


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How you heard about the Plan

Q: If you can recall, where have you heard about the draft plan?
(Select all that apply)



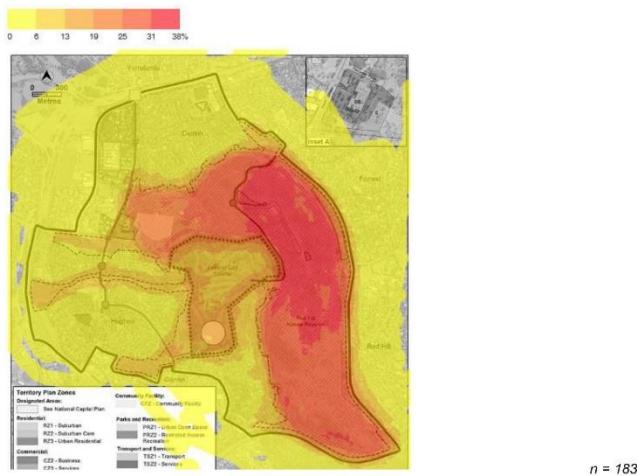
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Important areas

Q. Please highlight the areas on the map that are most important to you



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Why are these areas important

Q: Why are these areas important to you? **By text frequency summary***



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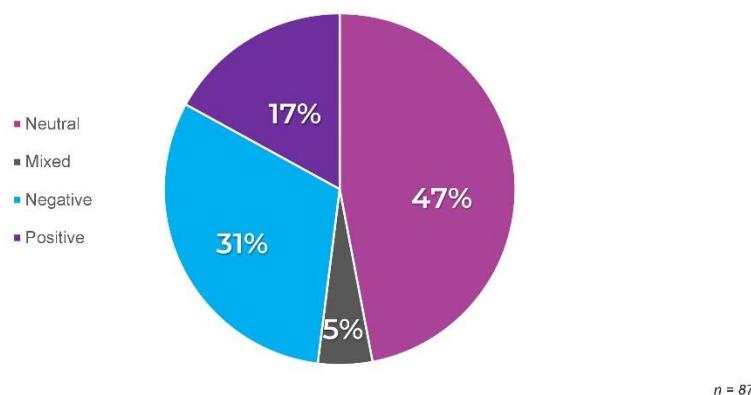
**Individual comments were sent to the team responsible for the Red Hill Nature Reserve Plan*

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Important areas by sentiment

Q: Why are these areas important to you? **By overall sentiment**



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Recommendations

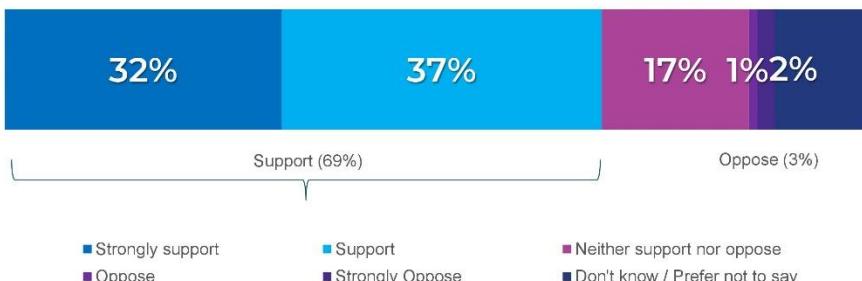
Panel members were presented with 7 recommendations for the Integrated Red Hill Nature Reserve Plan and asked to indicate either their support or opposition to each recommendation.

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Recommendation 1:

Q. The Red Hill Nature Reserve should continue to be managed through the existing Nature Park Reserve Management Plan.



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n = 183



Recommendation 2:

Q. The existing open space network, including the parks and green spaces throughout the study area, should be retained.



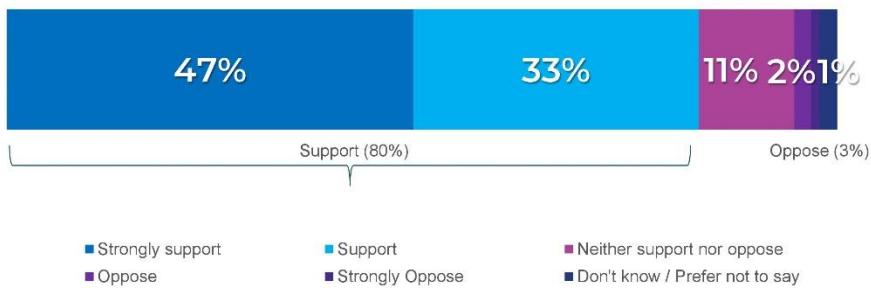
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n = 183



Recommendation 3:

Q. The old Deakin tip should be capped and remediated, and remain as part of the Red Hill Nature Reserve.



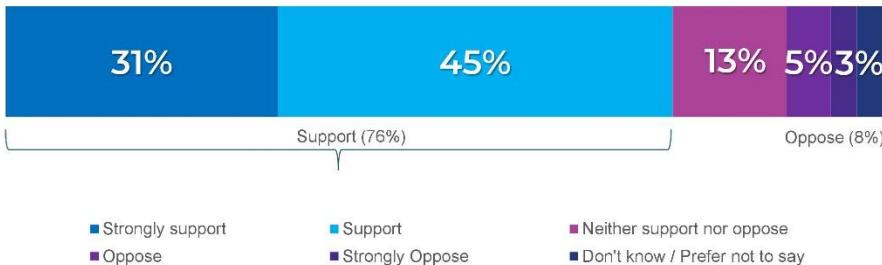
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Recommendation 4:

Q. Road network investigations and upgrades should be considered in response to current use and future predicted growth in terms of safety and capacity.



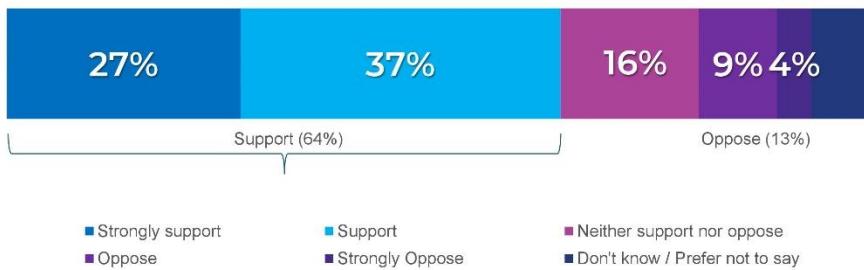
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Recommendation 5:

Q. The existing residential blocks (RZ1 Suburban zoned) adjoining the Red Hill Nature Reserve should be retained and remain zoned for residential use.



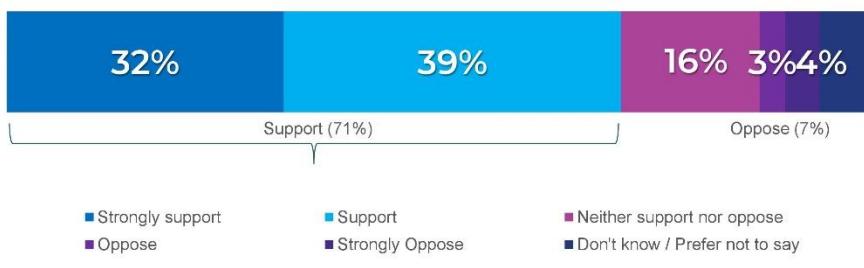
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Recommendation 6:

Q. The area encompassing the Telstra exchange and Deakin offices on Kent Street currently has partly commercial uses and partly open space. The area should be rezoned to reflect these existing uses and protect the ecological value of the site.



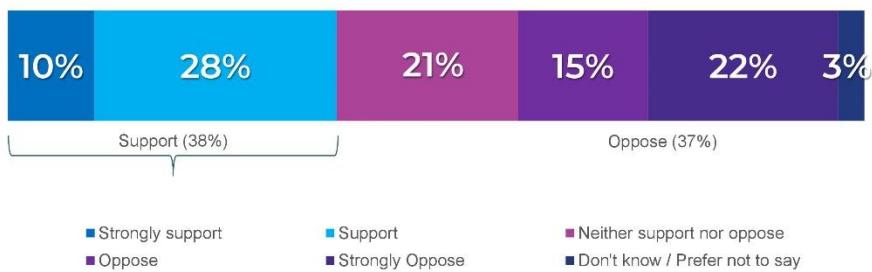
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Recommendation 7:

Q. Provisions made for the Federal Golf Course to provide for a maximum 125-unit retirement village at the southern portion of the site (subject to further statutory planning approvals).



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Further comments

Further comments made by Panel members on either the survey or the draft Integrated Red Hill Nature Reserve Plan have been sent to the respective ACT Government teams.

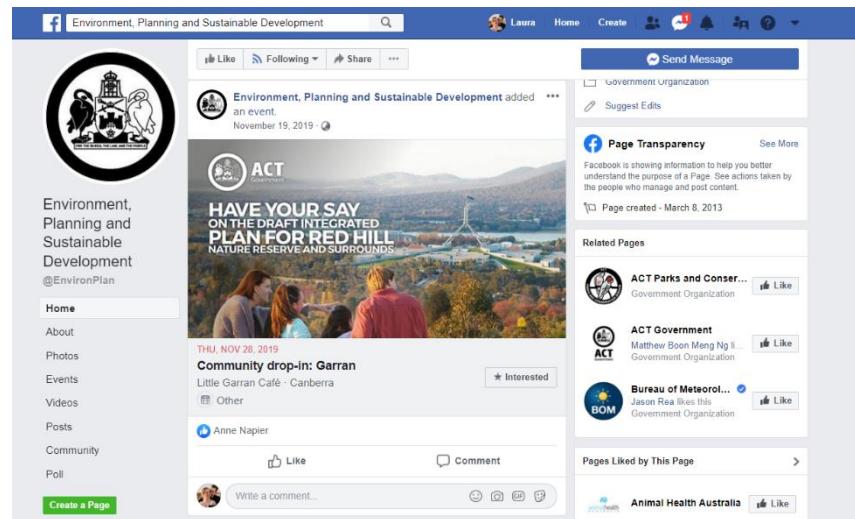
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B: SOCIAL MEDIA AND COLLATERAL

FACEBOOK POSTS

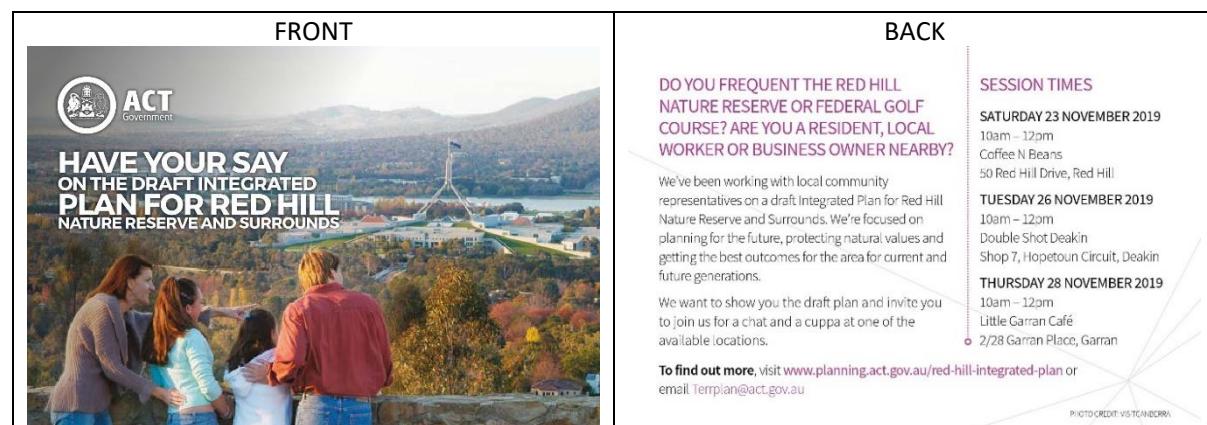
Three (3) Facebook events were created which outlined the details of each of the drop-in sessions held in November.

Example post:



POSTCARDS

Postcards were distributed to 4150 residences and businesses in the suburbs of Garran, Deakin and Hughes to inform community members about the draft Red Hill Integrated Plan and their opportunity to have a say.



C: SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED

Submissions made by individuals, proponents and community organisations can be located at www.planning.act.gov.au/drhip-submissions.



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