

## 416 Group 2<sup>nd</sup> Submission – Queen Elizabeth Reserve – March 2023

I refer to the 416 Group submission made during phase 1 of the community consultation and the 416 Group presentation made to the Council Community Forum on 6.12.22 (attached). I will not repeat those remarks again.

The 416 Group thanks Council for presenting Options for basketball facilities.

Option 1 - closest to residents and not acceptable

Option 2 - involves loss of on-site parking which is not sensible

Option 3 - multi hoops near ablution block. Whilst less offensive than the other two options but still well within 100 metres of the nearest residences and will cause continuous disturbance while in use. An alternative reserve location > 100 metres to be identified.

Dog off leash area - the sharing with the playing surface has not been successful and needs to end. The onsite alternatives presented are not ideal but are better than the status quo. The playing surface is best retained as natural grass and not a synthetic surface. The two alternative locations being Jinkers Green and St Crispens Green have no off-street parking and no facilities and as such are not supported by the 416 Group as a dog off leash area is a community meeting place. We encourage Council to approach CSIRO and reach a lease agreement to utilise the unused oval across Bradfield Rd. Refencing would be required. Noting that the Federal Government has had a policy to in future relocate the CSIRO site to the Western Sydney Aerotropolis.

The Queen Elizabeth Reserve is a remediated asbestos contaminated site. This should be acknowledged and must be allowed for in any new earthworks in locations that were not previously remediated. The seating wall around the playing field could alternatively be new bench seats.

The ablution block is original and substandard. Council is encouraged to review its budget and plan for a full replacement rather than modifying the existing to add an accessible facility.

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