

PORTER PARK | WEST BALLINA

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Porter Park
VISION AND CONCEPT PLAN OPTIONS

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THE PROJECT

In June 2013, Ballina Shire Council commenced the process of planning the future upgrade of Porter Park.

Sumbiosis Pty Ltd was commissioned to engage with the residents immediately adjacent Porter Park to find out what they like and don't like about Porter Park, what they use the park for, how the park could be improved and what would need to change for them to use the park more.

Fifty-one residents participated in the various consultation activities. A full report titled "Make your Mark on Porter Park: Consultation Report" was provided to Council on 26 September 2013. A summary of the key findings are provided in the following graphs.

Design Team Ink (landscape architecture and urban design) was then engaged in October 2013 to prepare two concept design options for the upgrading of the park that best address the outcomes of the community engagement.

This document presents the vision for the site and two conceptual options for future upgrading of the park.



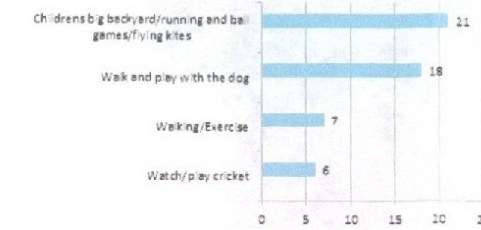
PHOTOS OF PORTER PARK (EXISTING)

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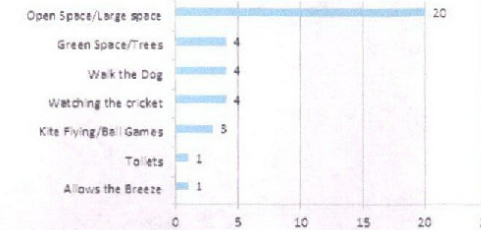
KEY CONSULTATION FINDINGS

(Extracted from Sumbiosis Pty Ltd, "Make Your Mark on Porter Park: Consultation Report")

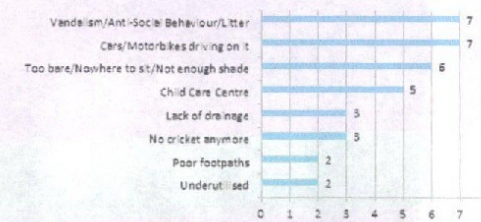
Current Uses of Porter Park



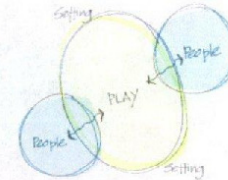
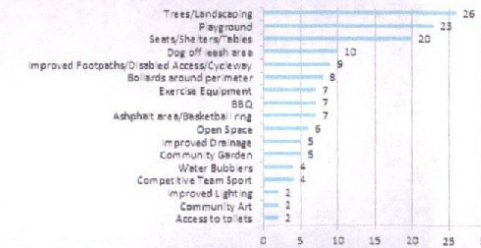
What I Like About Porter Park



What I Don't Like About Porter Park



Suggested Improvements to Porter Park



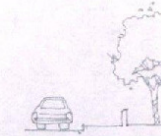
Vision



Open and adaptable



Shaded



Secure



Durable



Safe, interesting and fun



Suitable for walking

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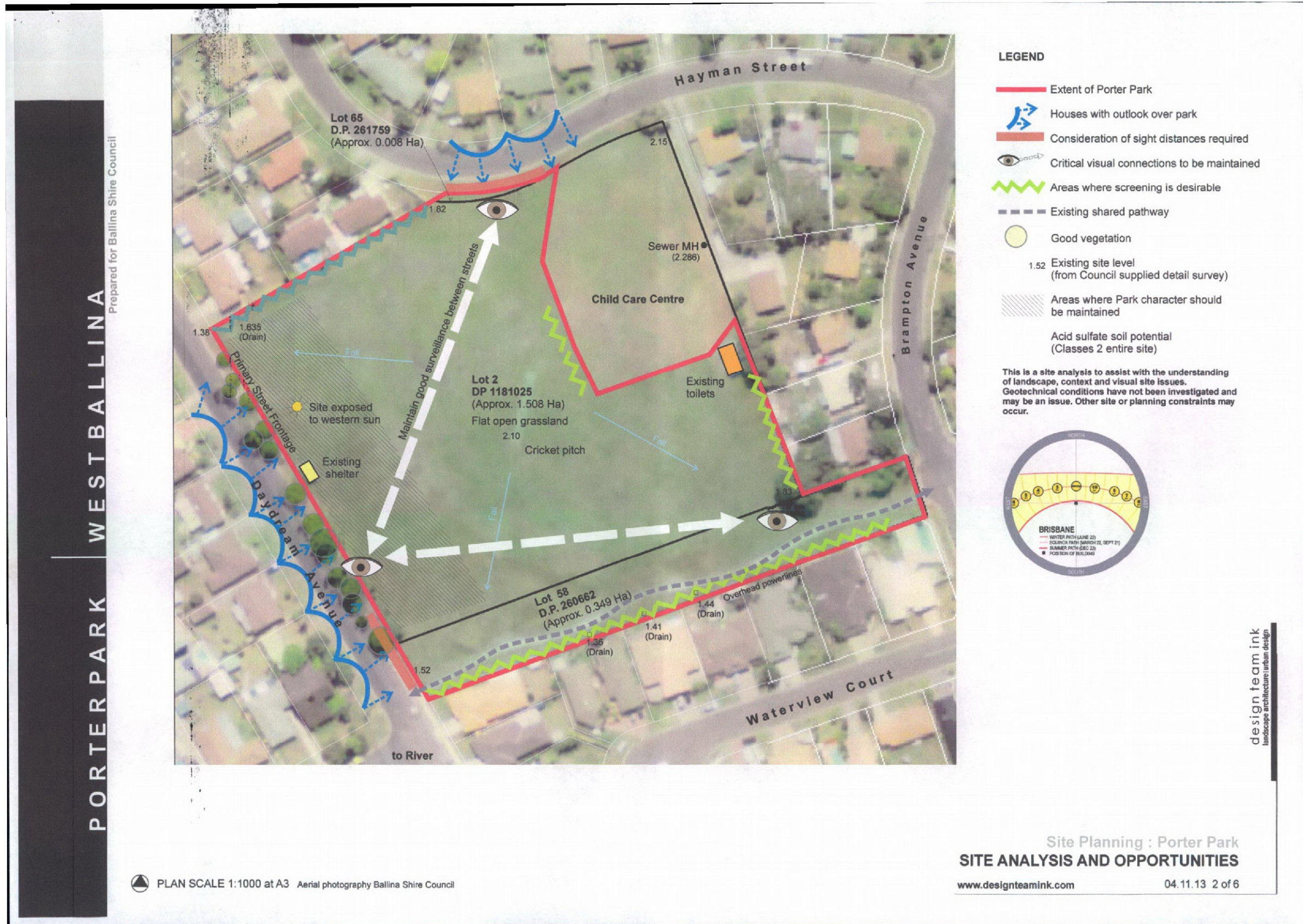
Vision

Porter Park will remain a significant green open space with additional facilities that uplift the image of the park and provide opportunities for informal community interactions and play.

Key Objectives

The following key objectives drawn from the consultation have been used as a basis of the concept designs:

- Maintain a large, unobstructed open space suitable for ball games, kite flying and other informal recreation or healthy lifestyle activities as the focus of the park
- Provide shaded areas for picnicking and sitting
- Secure the perimeter of the park from vehicle access (other than for authorised and emergency vehicles)
- Provide furniture and equipment that is as resistant to vandalism as possible
- Provide safe and interesting areas for children and youth to play
- Provide open spaces for walking and playing with dogs






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PLAYGROUND
(modern : multi-purpose : durable : target ages 5-12)



Kompan 'Turning Bars'
Balancing




Kompan 'Birds Nest Swing'
Swinging

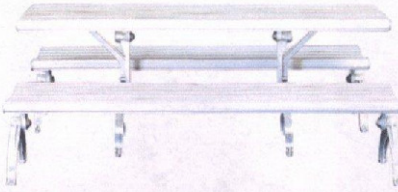


Kompan 'Spica 3"
Spinning

PARK FURNITURE
(modern : durable : consistent with foreshore park areas)



SEATING
Adshel 'City Seat' and 'Wide City Bench'
(Aluminium)



PICNIC SETTINGS
Adshel 'City Table Setting'
(Wheelchair accessible) (Aluminium)

PLANTING
(mostly native : attracts birds : provides shade)


SHADE TREES
Fine leaf paper bark
Tuckeroo
Weeping lilly pillly
Golden penda
Lemon myrtle

SCREENING SHRUBS (to 2m)
Grevillea sp.
Banksia sp.
Melaleuca sp.
Dwarf lilly pillies


SMALL SHRUBS/ STRAP LEAF PLANTS
Matt rush cultivars
Dwarf matt rush
Kangaroo paw
Swamp lilly
Dwarf tea-tree
Turf lily

GROUNDCOVERS
Pigs face
Creeping myoporum

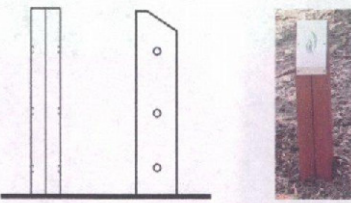
FRUITING TREES
Various citrus




SHELTER STRUCTURES
Skillion roof picnic shelters
(to match Fawcett Park - Image 'Landmark Pro')






BOLLARDS
Double timber post with chamfered top
(to match shire typical detail : opportunity to add art plates)



DRINKING FOUNTAIN
Adshel (Wheelchair accessible)



with hose cock (spring tap) for dog bowl

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PLAN SCALE 1:1000 at A3 Aerial photography Ballina Shire Council



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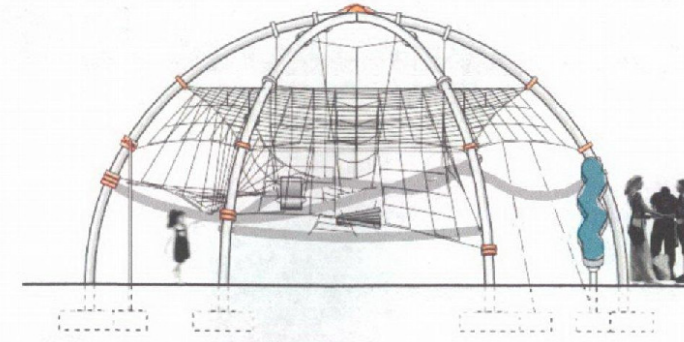
Kaiser and Kuhn 'Dutch Disk' Spinning



Kompan 'Birds Nest Swing' Swinging



Kompan 'Multi Goal' Sports and Casual Play



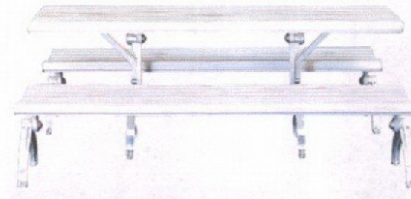
Kompan Corocord 'Explorer or Performance Dome' or similar
Strength, Co-ordination and Exploration

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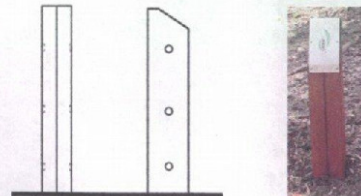
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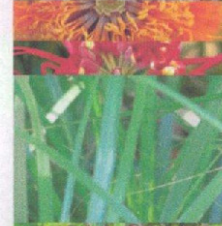
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OPTION 2: IDEAS, MATERIALS AND PLANTING

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