



Community Consultation Feedback Report

Clayton Bay – New Bike Facility (2025/26)

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1.0 Background

Feedback was received from the community throughout the Village Conversation process in 2021 and 2023, which helped inform Council of the need for additional youth facilities and the need to renew the public toilet within Clayton Bay.

Building on feedback from the Village Conversation process, Council undertook a consultation in late 2023 to identify the preferred location for a new public toilet and to gauge community preference for either a basketball facility or a BMX facility within the Clayton Bay reserve. This was primarily in response to the growing number of children and families permanently residing in Clayton Bay.

The consultation feedback identified the preferred location for the public toilet and showed stronger community support for a BMX facility, including proposed sites for both amenities.

The consultation findings were presented to Council Members at the 15 April 2024 meeting, where Council resolved to endorse the construction of a new public toilet and BMX track at the approved locations.

C24146 *Moved Cr Margaret Gardner, seconded Cr Peter Oliver*

1. *That Council receive the community engagement submissions on the proposed location to construct a new public toilet and a basketball half court or BMX track within Clayton Bay Reserve.*
2. *That Council approve the progression to detailed design and construction of a new public toilet and BMX track within Clayton Bay Reserve. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY*

A capital project for the Clayton Bay BMX facility was subsequently approved through the 2025/26 Annual Community Plan & budget process. Because the term 'BMX track' can mean different things to different people, Council introduced an additional consultation phase to allow the community to select their preferred BMX facility type to be constructed as per the resolution (C24146). This subsequent engagement process ran from 16 October to 7 November 2025.

As part of this additional engagement process, Council invited the community to indicate their preferred type of BMX facility from three distinct options, which were:

- **Pump Track**

A pump track is a circuit of asphalt or dirt rollers and berms that riders use to “pump” through the action of pushing down and pulling up as they move forward. Riders increase their speed by pushing and pulling and require little to no pedalling.

Pump tracks can be built specifically for beginner to advance riders or a track that builds in progression to allow development from beginner to advanced into the design.

- **Skills Park**

Skills parks provide purpose-built training grounds for riders of all skill levels to develop and fine tune bike skills while providing fun and engaging experiences.

Skills park features are typically used by mountain bike and BMX riders to work on bike handling skills and the tracks can be built in an open play style park or a single-track

loop of connecting features. Features should be built in line with industry standards with appropriate signs that clarify to the rider the required skill level necessary to tackle the feature.

Skills parks can cater to beginner through to advanced riders. Riders might have a choice of options of varying levels of difficulty built into specific features. Skills parks develop balance, pumping and jumping skills and will require a rider to consider regulating bike speed and momentum to complete the obstacle. Skills parks might incorporate features such as rolling down a series of steps, rocks or taking a small drop.

- **Dirt Jumps**

Dirt jumps consist of sculpted and formed shapes of soil historically ridden by BMX riders. The activity of dirt jumping evolved alongside BMX racing and mountain bike racing. These days specific dirt “jump bikes” and even mountain bikes are commonly seen at a dirt jump facility. Timber ramps can be incorporated into the jumps mound to provide a consistent shape that requires little maintenance. Dirt jumps are carefully created with specific geometry to provide riders the ability to launch their bikes into the air. Experienced riders have the ability to perform stylish tricks in the air. Beginner and intermediate riders may be focussed simply on maintaining speed and flow with a smooth landing throughout a series of jumps.

2.0 Engagement Snapshot

During the consultation period from Thursday 16 October until Friday 7 November 2025, **a total of 123 survey responses and 3 written submissions** were received across both the My Say platform and email/hard copy.

Email and hard copy surveys were consolidated into the My Say platform to streamline data and keep it in one central location.



Who we heard from (My Say submissions):

- **123** My Say survey responses in total.
- **86** My Say submissions came from Clayton Bay and surrounding postcodes with **37** responses coming from further abroad and outside the district.

- **30** My Say submissions came from an age group 20 years old and under.
- **29** respondents utilised the survey as an opportunity to express their opposition to the project rather than selecting their preferred bike facility option.
- **12** responses from the Milang Youth Hub children.
- **3** written submissions were received from Clayton Bay residents.

2.1 Engagement communications

Activity/ Method	Date	Outcome/ Result
My Say project page	16 Oct – 7 Nov	201 total page visits 123 submissions via the online survey 50 document downloads (Decision and Council Report and downloadable survey)
Local Displays – Council Office, library, community noticeboards	16 October	Posters at both Council offices and two weather proof posters at location
Instagram	30 October 16 October	574 views 290 reached
Facebook	30 October 16 October	Over 5k views Over 2.5k reached 15 post shares

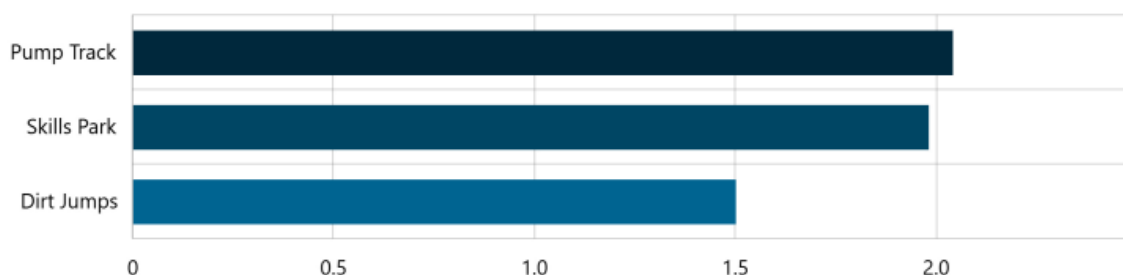
Public Notice Fleurieu Sun and Southern Argus	16 October	 ALEXANDRINA COUNCIL Community Consultation Clayton Bay – New Bike Facility Council is seeking community feedback to inform the selection of a BMX bike facility proposed for the Clayton Bay Foreshore Reserve, located near the new playground and public toilets. The term 'BMX track' can mean different things to different people. To progress to preliminary design, Council is consulting on the community's preferred type of bike facility from the following options - pump track, skills park, or dirt jumps. Please direct all written submissions via mysay.alexandrina.sa.gov.au/claytonbay-bike-facility, email alex@alexandrina.sa.gov.au or by post to the Chief Executive Officer, PO Box 21, Goolwa SA 5214. For further information, please call Council's Infrastructure Project Officer from Assets team on 8555 7059. Submissions will be accepted by Council until 5 pm, 7 November 2025
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3.0 Consultation Response Overview

3.1 Evaluation

When asked, *What is your preferred bike facility for Clayton Bay?*

- 50 submissions supported **Pump Track**
- 45 submissions supported Skills Park
- 28 submissions supported Dirt Jumps



	1	2	3	Count	Score	Avg Rank
Pump Track	45.05% 50	36.04% 40	18.92% 21	111	2.04	1.74
Skills Park	39.47% 45	34.21% 39	26.32% 30	114	1.98	1.87
Dirt Jumps	26.92% 28	24.04% 25	49.04% 51	104	1.50	2.22

Score - Sum of the weight of each ranked position, multiplied by the response count for the position choice, divided by the total contributions. Weights are inverse to ranked positions.

Avg Rank - Sum of the ranked position of the choice, multiplied by the response count for the position choice, divided by the total 'Count' of the choice.

During the subsequent round of community engagement, a total of 123 responses were received. Further from that, 29 survey responses and 3 written submissions out of the 123 responses were received to convey opposition to the project. Due to the survey requiring respondents to select one of three options, Pump Track, Skills Park, or Dirt Jumps, numerous survey participants selected an option based on utilising the comments section to articulate their objections.

The average age of the respondents that utilised the survey to select their preferred BMX facility as designed and intended in the MySay survey, was 38 years old. Of the 123 submissions received, 30 were from respondents aged 20 years or younger.

A total of 76.42% of respondents indicated they ride bikes, while 23.58% do not. The latter group typically comprised parents or older individuals completing the survey on behalf of their children or grandchildren.

Current data tells us that at present, 27% of the demographic within Clayton Bay are families with children, which accounts for 131 families with children. Clayton Bay currently supports a population of 472 people.

Summary of feedback received:

- A Pump Track was selected with more votes than the other two options.
- Assumptions from respondents were made that it will be an asphalt sealed pump track, however only an unsealed pump track is possible within the budget.
- The pump track will be versatile and inclusive for scooters, skateboards as well as bikes. (This is not the case as the pump track will be unsealed and unable to cater for skateboards and scooters.)
- Excited for a new bike facility.
- A pump track that will be inclusive for little kids as well as bigger kids.
- Want to keep the trees and shrubs.
- Need a bike facility for young families living in and moving into the community.
- Great for the locals and the caravan park during peak season.
- A pump track will be good for tourism.
- Will give the kids a place to play locally without the need to go outside of town for similar facilities.
- It will be a meeting place for like-minded people to interact away from screen time.
- A pump track is a great idea.
- Will cater for entry through to advanced riders.
- Clayton Bay demographic is retirees who don't need a BMX track.
- A BMX facility is to suit visitors and not locals.
- A BMX facility is high risk.
- Don't want a bike track for safety reasons.
- A BMX track is an eye-sore and looks ugly.
- The new playground is enough.

Noting the above comments, the survey was not asking for alternative capital projects or maintenance requests from the community. The majority of respondents were overwhelming in favour of a BMX bike facility, specifically a pump track.

Key Themes Identified

Theme	Summary of Feedback	Evaluation
Pump Track as the preferred bike facility	Determined by popular vote.	Pump Track was voted as the preferred facility regardless of submissions that were entered by those not supporting the project. Majority of respondents excited for the new facility.
Pump Track for unstructured play and exercise for all age groups	Children, adults and parents of children expressed support for this bike asset.	Pump Tracks provide unstructured play while exercising for all age groups. Pump Tracks are an inclusive asset for all bike riders of all skill levels. Pump Tracks develop leg, core and upper-body strength.
A Pump Track to counter screen time	Raised on multiple occasions by parents.	Pump Track to support a healthy and balanced lifestyle. Provides a meeting place for social interactions.
Inclusivity	A facility that will cater to all levels of experience.	A pump track will develop bike handling skills for entry-level riders through to advanced riders.
A bitumen surfaced Pump Track	Many submissions expressed the need for a bitumen surface as this will provide a surface to allow bikes, scooters and skateboards access to facility.	As we are building to a budget we will seek options which may include asphalt.
Trees to remain	Many submissions expressed the desire for the trees and shrubs to remain.	Existing vegetation, including trees and shrubs, will be incorporated into the overall project design.
Provides a constructive outlet for youth	Multiple references in the submissions noting and addressing a need for youth engagement in such a facility.	Parents looking forward to recreational facilities that support and engage youth Such facilities provide an outlet and can deter.

2/3 of responses supported a BMX facility	This capital project is aimed at the growing trend of growth in families with children	This project is aimed to address facilities for children, youth and bike riders generally as documented in previous consultations and engagements.
1/3 of responses did not support a BMX facility	The largest age demographic (i.e, 40% aged over 65 years old)	This cohort were seeking facilities aimed at this age bracket.

4.0 Self-nomination to participate

It is important to acknowledge that involvement in the public consultation process is voluntary, with participants self-nominating to contribute.

5.0 Consultation images

N/A