

COMMUNITY SUGGESTIONS RELATING TO ISLAND PARK MASTER PLAN SITES:

Community comments and recommendations were recorded during extensive stakeholder consultation as part of the *SMBI Sport and Recreation Strategy* study. Those that were relevant to the park sites which are subject to the master planning projects are documented below and have been taken directly from the *SMBI Sport and Recreation Strategy* draft report.

1.1 RUSSELL ISLAND

Jock Kennedy Park, Russell Island

Located at Douglas Street, Russell Island.

Good connectivity with town and ferry, though legibility low.

- Picnic and barbecue facilities
- Children's playground
- Shaded seating
- Formalise water access to Krummel Passage by including a boat ramp
- Swimming enclosure

1.2 MACLEAY ISLAND

Pats Park, Macleay Island

Located at 143-157 Beelong Street, Macleay Island

- Pathway access between picnic area and public toilets for elderly and disabled visitors
- Manage conflict between pedestrian and dog exercise area on beach
- Manage over-crowding in park at times
- Replace older style children's play equipment with more contemporary equipment
- Shade over children's playground
- Additional rubbish bins
- Repair beach swimming enclosure
- Retain special character of the site
- Erosion control measures
- Boat ramp

Corroboree Place Park, Macleay Island

Located at 1-9 Corroboree Place, Macleay Island

- Children's playground is basic and uninviting – replace with contemporary equipment
- Public toilets
- More seating and shade
- More barbecues
- Basketball hoop with concrete pad
- Interpretive elements
- Formalise water access – boat ramp (separate from beach/swimming area)

Southsea Terrace (Macleay Island Community) Park

Located at High Central Road and Southsea Terrace, Macleay Island

- Establish as a destination park – consolidate as community “hub” with the nearby Community Centre
- Highly visible, centrally located and accessible
- Play settings for children and youth of different age groups
- Skate facility
- Kick-about play space
- Community garden

Sentosa Park, Macleay Island

Located at the corner of High Central Road, Sentosa Terrace and Udara Drive, Macleay Island.

This is a recent acquisition by Council. No consultation has been undertaken in association with previous studies.

1.3 LAMB ISLAND

Pioneer Park, Lamb Island

Located at 125-133 Lucas Street, Lamb Island

- Important community focal point for Lamb Island – general improvements required
- Replace old children’s play equipment with more contemporary facilities, including softfall surface and shade
- Control car and trail bike access on to the park
- Replace cricket wicket
- Oval would benefit from a general upgrade, top-soiling, goals and cricket practice nets etc.
- Youth elements eg. BMX
- Repair tennis court and provide multi-sport marking for different activities
- Provide night lighting to tennis court
- Repair tennis court’s support facilities and improve maintenance
- Extend existing pathway on Lucas Drive from Pioneer Park to Clarkes Point and include seating and rest points

1.4 KARRAGARRA ISLAND

Karragarra Island Foreshore Parks

The smallest of the four islands, but home to a number of active community groups.

Many of these participated in consultation program which yielded two divergent views for future sport and recreation provision:

- Embellishment of sport and recreation facilities on the island for the benefit of island residents and the general public, and
- No change – preserve the island lifestyle, protect the natural environment, limit future development to “low-key” improvements only and avoid overcrowding.

Karragarra Island Foreshore Park

Located at 176-180 The Esplanade, Karragarra Island

Common Ideas:

- Retain the unique natural qualities and non-suburban feel of Karragarra Island
- Manage site access due to safety concerns – vehicle movements, speed control, parking, turn-around areas near childrens' playground
- Formalise and expand car and trailer parking area near boat ramp
- Fix drainage problem which causes the 'swamp' behind the beach
- Better manage shared public and commercial use of the boat ramp
- Increase the frequency of facility maintenance and rubbish removal

No Change/Environmental Protection "group":

- Park is overdeveloped and overcrowded
- Cap development – park and beach cannot sustain high utilization
- Prohibit vehicles on foreshore – environmental impacts
- Don't promote as a "destination park" for visitors from mainland / other islands
- Manage social impacts eg. Alcohol consumption and smoking

Embellishments "group":

- Ad hoc improvements have occurred over time – master planning required
- Utilize spare capacity of site for new park elements eg. picnic areas, play equipment, parking, beach volleyball courts
- Formalise pedestrian movement paths – people walking on road
- More lighting
- Park signage
- Improve safety of children's playground – lighting, signage, full fencing
- Beach swimming enclosure – repair netting.

Karragarra Island Conservation Foreshore (North)

Located at The Espalade, Karragarra Island

No Change/Environmental Protection "group":

- Preserve as natural open space
- Do not build elements in foreshore open space
- Limit to walkers only

Embellishments "group":

- Provide a clearly designated pathway or trail along esplanade to separate pedestrian and vehicular traffic
- Pathway/trail should cater for pedestrians, cyclists and disabled persons
- Deploy exercise stations along the trail
- Deploy low key facilities along foreshore to disperse public use, eg. rest points, seating, tables
- Create a continuous walking loop / circuit around the entire island.

Other issues:

Natural Environment:

- Clearly designate Bush Care sites, eg. Western Beach – there is some concern arising from maintenance work being undertaken by residents in other council reserves.

Boat ramp-

- Provide a second ramp for exclusive use by public
- Relocate commercial ramp away from the main park
- Implement management strategies at the existing ramp to achieve safer operation by public and commercial users.