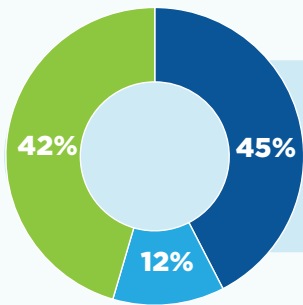


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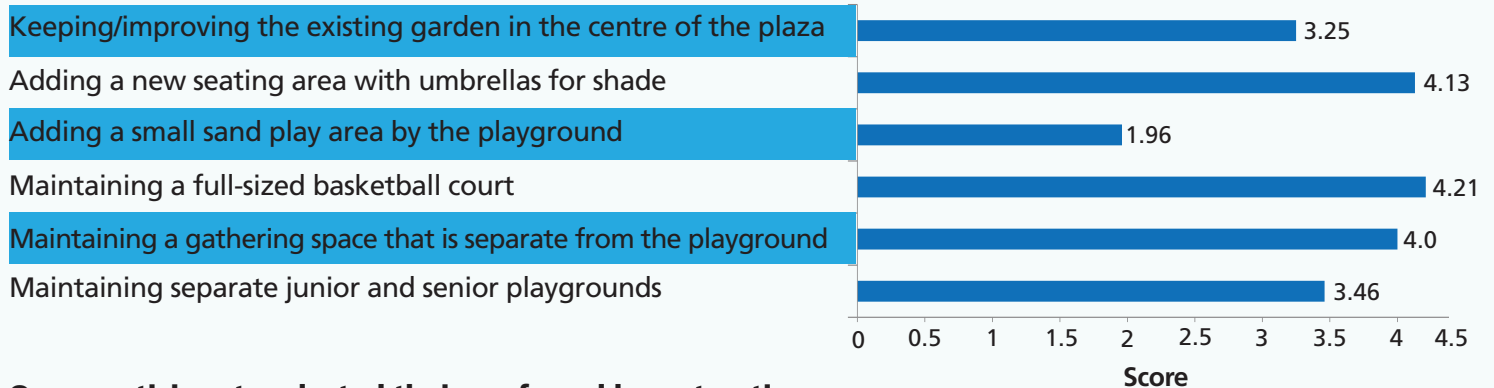
What We Heard

PARK LAYOUT OPTIONS



- 42 per cent** of participants prefer the central plaza layout
- 12 per cent** of participants prefer the play hub layout
- 45 per cent** of participants prefer the central garden layout

COMMUNITY PRIORITIES



Once participants selected their preferred layout option, they were asked to elaborate on their preferences.

Central plaza layout:

- Many participants liked keeping the junior and senior playgrounds separate.
- Some participants liked maintaining a similar layout to the existing park.

Play hub layout:

- Many participants liked the shaded umbrella seating node.
- A few participants liked combining the junior and senior playgrounds.
- A few participants liked the half-sized basketball court, but an equal number preferred a full-sized court.

Central garden layout:

- Many participants liked the planting area in the centre of the plaza.
- Many participants liked combining the junior and senior playgrounds.
- Many participants liked keeping the full-sized basketball court.
- Many participants disliked the sand play area.

WHO WE ENGAGED



26 survey respondents

Survey was live from Nov. 28 to Dec. 12, 2024



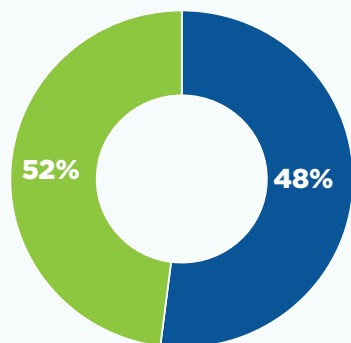
7 Open House participants

Open House took place on Nov. 27, 2024 at the Al Palladini Community Centre

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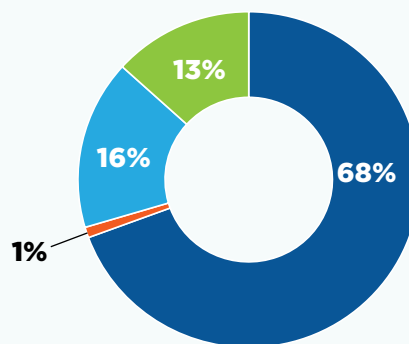
- a project webpage
- road signs in the community
- a mailed notice to 850 local residents (between Pine Valley Drive Rutherford Road, Weston Road, Muzich Place, Orr Avenue and Village Green Drive)
- updates to the Weston Downs Ratepayers' Association
- a public service announcement
- social media posts
- eNewsletters

SHADE STRUCTURE STYLE



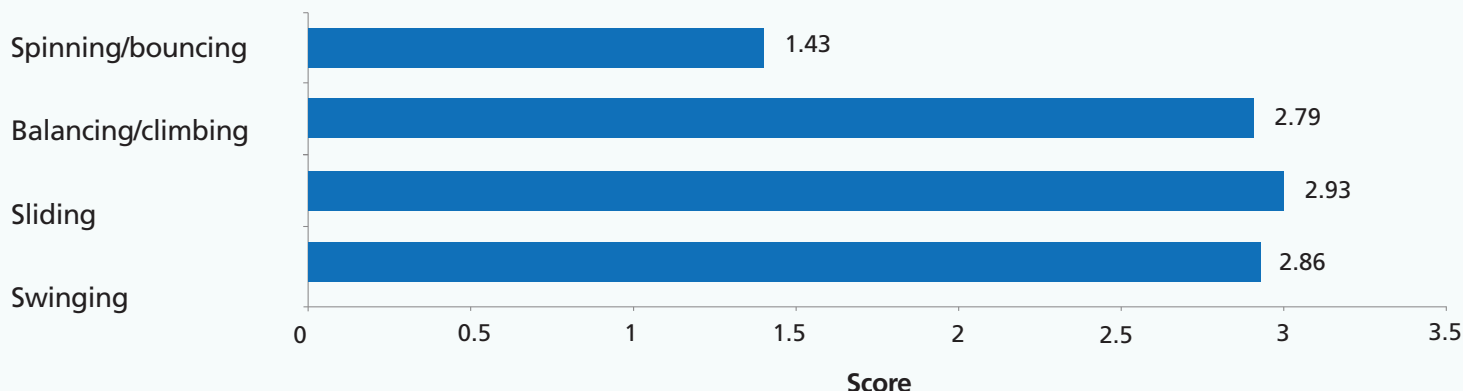
52 per cent of participants prefer a traditional steel structure
48 per cent prefer a contemporary steel structure

PLAYGROUND STYLE



68 per cent of participants prefer the traditional play option
16 per cent prefer nature play
One per cent prefer rope play
13 per cent had no preference

PREFERRED PLAYGROUND EXPERIENCES



Participants also made suggestions for amenities outside of the scope of this project:

- Many participants expressed a desire for a larger shade structure or an additional shade structure with more seating options.
- Many participants suggested a circuit path around the park for walking, running and biking.
- Many participants also expressed a desire for more lighting throughout the park, including by the entrance, basketball court and playground.
- Some participants suggested water features like a water fountain or water play area.
- Some participants also suggested adding a power source to the park.
- A few participants made other suggestions which included an off-leash dog area, washrooms, pickleball courts, an amphitheatre and additional tree plantings.