

# Haslams Pump Track

Community & Stakeholder Engagement  
Outcomes Report – Summary

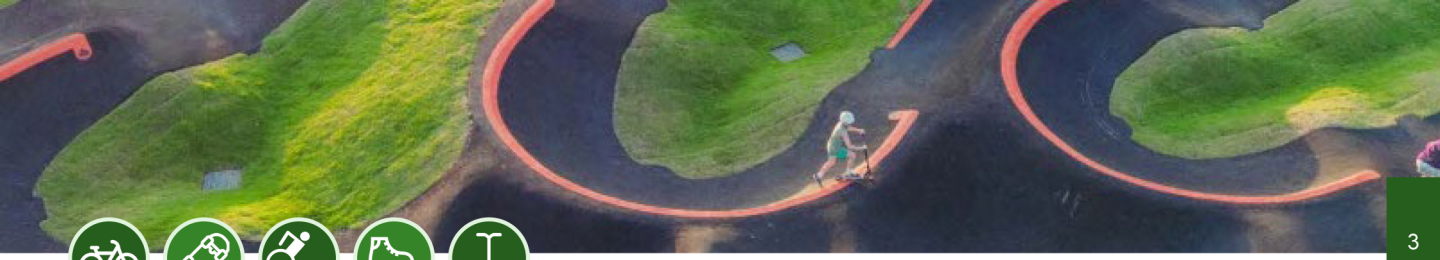
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The area now known as Sydney Olympic Park is situated on the traditional lands of the Wann clan. For millennia it has been a place of gathering for the First Nations people, who came to Wangal Country to meet, celebrate, and trade.

The Haslams Pump Track project will transform an existing mountain cross track into a new inclusive outdoor adventure space. The track can be used for bikes, skateboards, adaptive bikes, roller skates, scooters and any “wheeled” devices. Adventure seekers can test out their skills and challenge themselves across tracks with varying levels of difficulty.

Surrounded by the natural environment at Sydney Olympic Park, the pump track will enhance the area with a new thrill-seeking recreational space for the local community, while creating a greater connection to the land and Country.



# You said ... We're delivering ...

Co-design workshop + online submissions

**79**

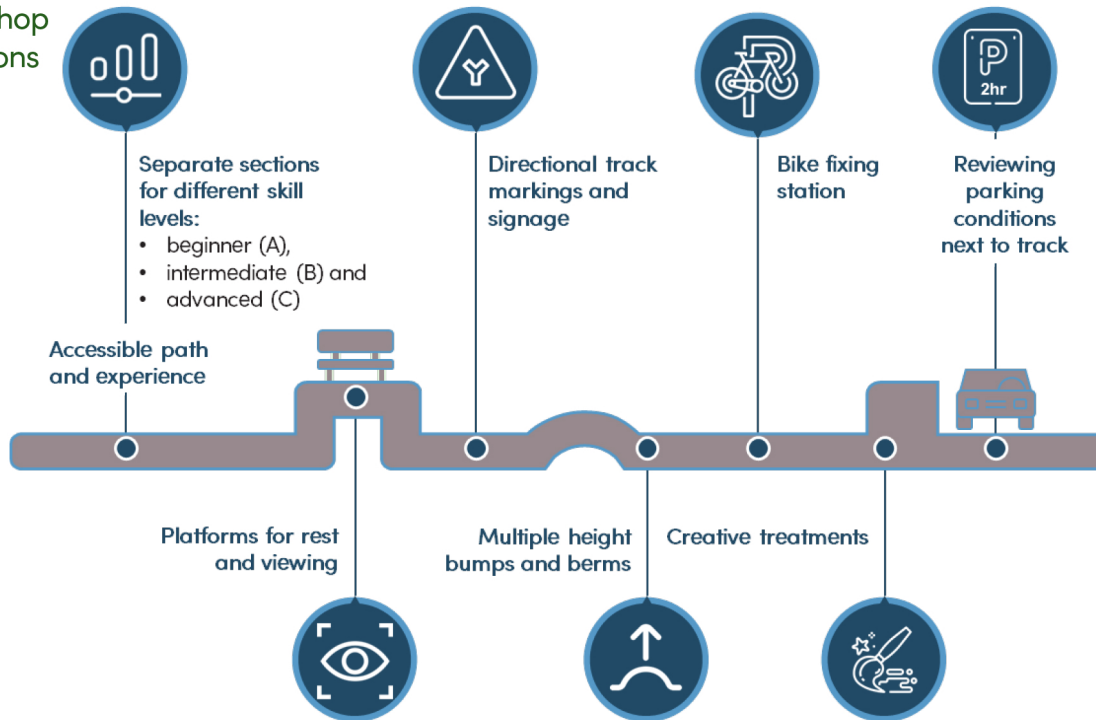
contributions, feedback and ideas received

**32**

people engaged

**1,931**

pageviews on mySOP Engage



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The Places to Play program helps to increase equitable access to public open spaces through an investment of \$16.7million in projects that provide for adventure spaces such as mountain biking, scooter and skate places and pump tracks.

Places to Play supports investment in nature and water play spaces to promote recreation and connection with nature for people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds.



## Preliminary site concept plan

Sydney Olympic Park Authority formed a project advisory committee with members representing the diverse local and visitor communities, to help guide the project team. The preliminary site concept plan (shown below) was presented to the group where feedback was received and carefully considered to develop the final detailed design.

Earlier this year, Common Ground was awarded the contract to design and construct the pump track at Sydney Olympic Park. Their team consists of passionate bike enthusiasts who are skilled landscape architects dedicated to crafting innovative, inclusive rider experiences that incorporate features to challenge riders of all ages and abilities. Combined with their expert project managers and builders, Common Ground are known for creating pump tracks that users will love and continue to use for years to come.



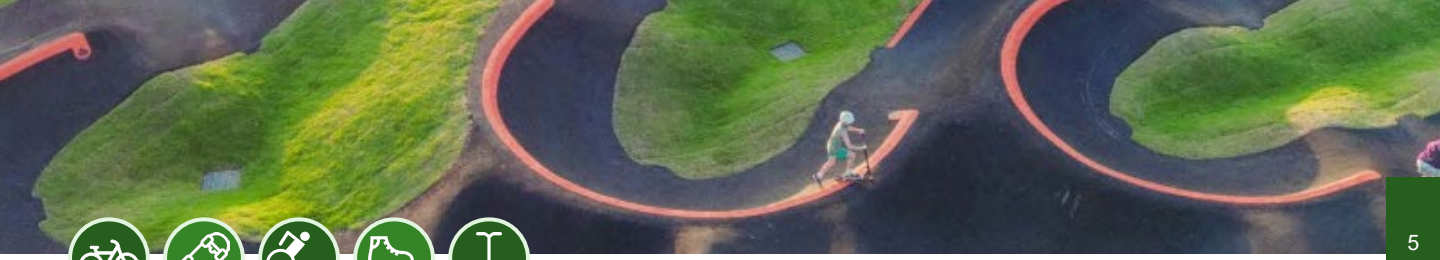
SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK PUMP TRACK | DESIGN CONCEPT

### Landscape

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Primary /universal access entry from parking.</li> <li>2. Secondary entry from parking.</li> <li>3. Accessible grade access path (max 1:20).</li> <li>4. Pump track.</li> <li>5. Level family area.</li> <li>6. Emergency access - existing gravel track.</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. Storm-water headwall discharge point.</li> <li>8. Refurbished existing jump trails (connected to pump track).</li> <li>9. BMX track start hill.</li> <li>10. Existing BMX track.</li> <li>11. Existing barbecues.</li> </ol> |
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| Turf area             | Shaped asphalt-track and paths |
| Asphalt-flat platform | Tracked line marking           |

### Optional additional items

12. Concrete paved area with shelter, table sets, drink fountain and bike racks
  13. Raised track viewing area with seating and shelter
  14. Playground
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|  | Proposed additional tree planting      |
|  | Proposed additional concrete paving    |
|  | Proposed additional playground surface |



# How did we engage with the community?

Sydney Olympic Park Authority invited representatives from community organisations, parent groups, residents, pump track users, as well as local and state government agencies to find out what they wanted most in a pump track.

Workshop participants were guided through the Everyone Can Play Guidelines to seek their ideas and contributions for an inclusive play space at the Park.

## You said, we listened.

*Under consideration for the future...*



Family parking - functional usable space between each car space (kids, equipment, etc) - safety, sufficient car spaces.

**Community 'come & try' open day events / activities.**

BBQ facilities and bookable spaces.

Parents with young kids - stand and watch space, with shade, especially next to beginner's track.

**Nature play playground.**

Shade and seating.

Murama keen to support and participate in cultural overlay - trees, plants, artwork - to create a sense of connection to Country.

Free parking to increase usage - support cost of living, physical health.

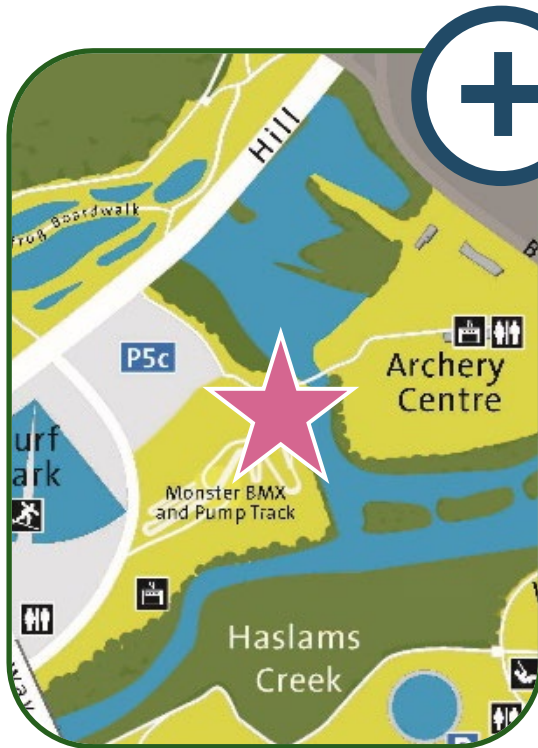
First Nations art / colours included in the staging platform area.

Trees and landscaping.

Collaborate with BMX club to plan Pump Track and BMX users' entry points, existing facilities and how the multi-use of spaces interact and function together.



## Map of project area



The pump track is located adjacent to P5c car park and URBNSURF Sydney, to further develop a unique location for adventure sports and recreation.

The land was remediated in the 1990's - previously underwater, the site is now an elevated hill covered with artificial soil. It must continue to be managed to maintain landfill integrity.

The surrounding Haslams Creek has significant ecological value. The ponds and grasslands at the Brickpit are a known habitat for the endangered Green and Golden Bell Frog.

Development of the area with future plantings between the remnant forest of Newington Nature Reserve and Haslams Creek could create a wider vegetated dark corridor. This would help to encourage microbats and other birdlife to move between habitats north and south of Haslams Creek.