

Dear Councillor Noack,

On behalf of the Wentworth Point Public School Parents & Citizens Association, Wentworth Point Peninsular Town Team Inc. and the Wentworth Point Neighbourhood Association Inc., we write to express our strong endorsement of the concept designs by award-winning landscape architects UmbaCo for play equipment in the forecourt of the Wentworth Point Community Centre and Library. We have received support from Marina Square retail to progress the design to this point and request the City of Parramatta Council commit to providing funding so we can obtain detailed feedback from Wentworth Point parents and children. We note that funding for this desperately needed project meets the City of Parramatta (outside CBD) Developments Contribution Plan (Playspaces PS10 & PS11).

We view this project as having distinctly unique and complementary benefits for the Marina Square Retail Centre and the Wentworth Point Community Centre & Library. It will be a crucial creative play area for hundreds of younger children in our suburb. The area is currently an informal play area after school hours. The design connects and enhances the community/library and retail precincts.

A March 2022 survey of residents in Wentworth Point carried out by the Wentworth Point Peninsular Town Team Inc. revealed that over 80% of residents strongly supported the need for the construction of play equipment and open spaces for local children.

Wentworth Point is projected to grow significantly over the coming decades with 12,500 residents (2022 Census) growing to over 20,000. Wentworth Point currently has no parks, ovals or play equipment. Children in Wentworth Point are particularly vulnerable because they live in the only suburb in the City of Parramatta or indeed the State where all children live in apartments with no access to outdoor play spaces.

We stand ready to work closely and collaboratively with the City of Parramatta Council to help deliver this critical piece of infrastructure.

Yours sincerely



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