



WC Shelley Park Proposed Playground Removal

Summary of Findings
April 2016



Consultation Overview

- This summary provides an overview of feedback from community members on the removal of the W.C. Shelley Park Playground located at E 8th Avenue and Woodland Drive. The Vancouver Park Board proposed to remove the play structure in the spring of 2016 due its age, condition and safety concerns.
- Members of the public were asked to provide feedback about potential options for the site going forward, in an online questionnaire. The feedback questionnaire ran from March 15, 2016 to April 10, 2016 on the City's online public engagement platform Talk Vancouver.
- A total of 75 respondents completed the questionnaire. The questionnaire was accessed by an email invitation from Talk Vancouver and an open online invitation to the general public via the Playground Renewals project page on the City of Vancouver website;

How did we reach out?

- Residents were notified using multiple forums, including:
 - Large posters at the playground site;
 - Flyers distributed throughout the neighbourhood proximate to the site (2-block radius); and
 - Advertising on City of Vancouver Park Board website.



Summary of Results

Who did we hear from?

- The majority of the questionnaire respondents were residents in the neighbourhood surrounding the park (88%).
- Approximately 45% of the respondents have children under the age of 18 living at home. The other half do not have children living at home.

Preferred Options for the Site

- The majority of respondents would like to see a new playground replace the structure if it is removed (59%), with some also interested in having a planted area, an open grass area and a dog off-leash area.



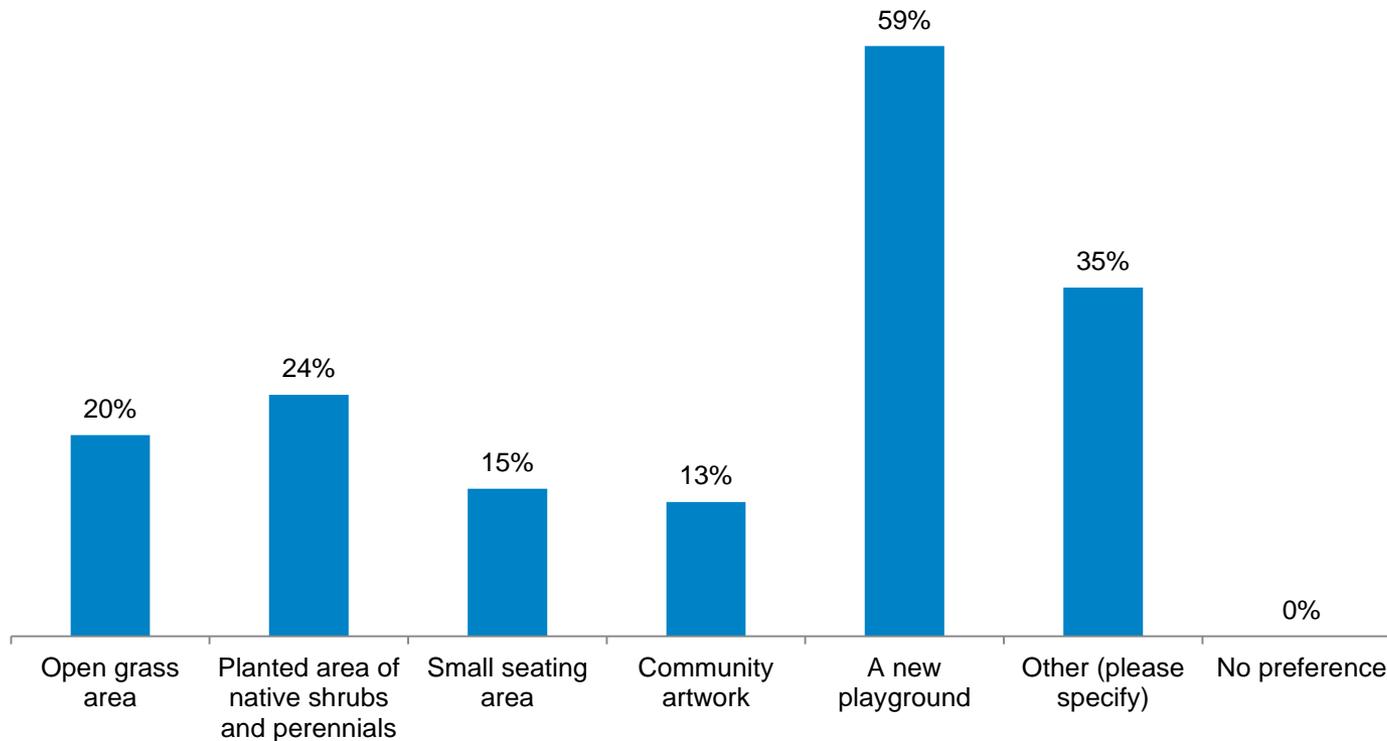
Questionnaire Topline Results



Preferred Options for the Site



There may be plans to renew the W.C. Shelley playground location once the structure is removed. What would you like to see in place of the current structure? (Select your top 2 choices)



Base: All respondents (n=75)



Preferred Options for the Site: Additional Comments

The following are some of the responses received for the question “There may be plans to renew the W.C. Shelley playground location once the structure is removed. What would you like to see in place of the current structure?”

“Dog park”

“Waterpark”

“Community
garden”

“Toddler friendly
play equipment”



General Comments

The following are some of the responses received for the question “Please provide any additional comments you may have”

“Crossing Grandview is a challenging street to cross. People with young children need to have a park in short walking distance from their homes.”

“This park is very poorly maintained and looks unloved. It could be a nice gathering spot that doesn't require neighbours to cross a busy street to get to a playground.”

“The other playground are quite a distance away so I think the families in the area would need a playground at this location.”

“This park and the children's playground on it serve as the only public space for children to play in this very densely populated triangular area between N. Grandview Hwy., Clark Drive, Commercial Drive, and Broadway Avenue.”

“It's already a small park. Well-maintained grass will open the park up in a good way.”

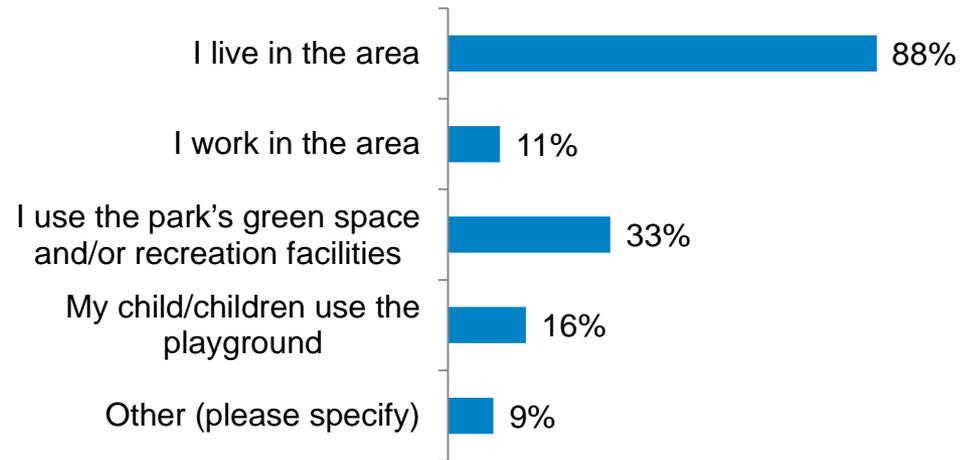


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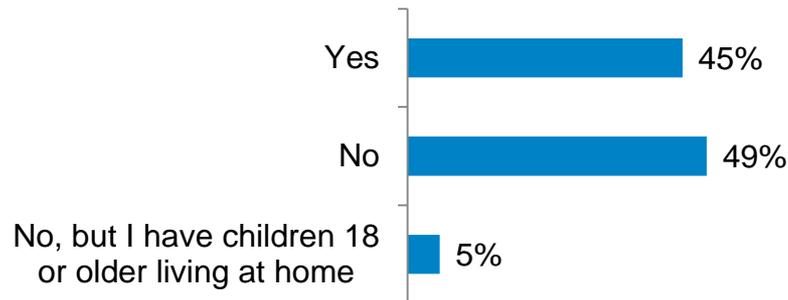


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Connection to W.C. Shelley Park



Children at Home Under 18



Age of Children at Home Under 18 (n=34)

