

# **Community Engagement Feedback Report**

## **Renown Park Living Streets - Stage 1**

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## 1. Project Overview

A number of streets in the suburb of Renown Park are reaching the end of their useful life and are listed for reconstruction in the next 4-10year Roads Program.

- Wright Street (from Torrens Road to Lamont Street)
- Tait Street (from South Road to Harrison Road)
- Bishop Street (from South Road to Harrison Road)
- Blight Street (Torrens Road to Harrison Road)

While planning for a road reconstruction we also like to investigate traffic safety and amenity of the street at the same time to ensure that resident concerns have been captured and assessed for current and future demand.

The Renown Park Streets are bounded by South Road, Lamont Street, Harrison Road and Torrens Road which are predominately made up of residential properties, with a very small number of business. The roads have been identified as being wider than an average local street with potential for residents to identify their own 'Living Streets Plan' for their street and the precinct.

Living Streets is about re-thinking the design streets and neighbourhoods to prioritise people, whether it be as a walker, bike rider, driver or for play. In the past local streets were once places for neighbours to gather and talk, they allowed kids to play without the feeling of being unsafe.

These days some streets can be car dominated, congested, unsafe and have little space for landscaping and activities to connect neighbours with each other.

By re-imagining the street, it allows community to take back what once was theirs and create places to come together and spend time.

Design ideas for your street could be:

- Creative artwork
- Places to sit and rest
- Wider verges
- Spaces for kids to play and neighbours to gather
- Links to ride
- Safer crossing points
- Greener streets with more landscaping and tree planting
- Additions to slow traffic
- Future use of land in the area

As there are no preliminary concept designs for any of these listed streets, Stage 1 consultation involved gathering of feedback to shape the streetscape concepts and overall design elements for further consultation.

This community engagement report summarises the feedback received for Stage 1.

## 2. Community Engagement Approach

### Stage 1 Consultation (Issues, Opportunities and Improvements)

Residents were provided with an initial opportunity to discuss their aspirations and opportunities for their particular street and the wider Renown Park precinct as a whole.

Community engagement was undertaken between October and December 2019. We asked the local community how they currently use their street, what they love about their neighbourhood and what they would like to see improved through redevelopment of the road design.

We provided the opportunity for feedback through:

1.
  - Online survey (YourSay Charles Sturt)
  - Seeking Questions through Q&A tool
  - Precedent Board (seeking feedback on images of existing road designs)
2. A co-design workshop which allowed residents to look at options for the road design and balance the elements they would like to see within the street with the space available.



3. A community open day which allowed residents to drop-in and identify issues and opportunities by making comments on aerial photography or to engage with a hard copy version of the online 'Precedent Board'.
4. A field trip and workshop with the local Brompton Primary School (Year 5 class) to seek the sentiment of the children following a tour through renown park.

The engagement was communicated through direct mail to local residents and property owners within the engagement catchment as well as online on the City of Charles Sturt's YourSay webpage.

### **3. Consultation Feedback**

During the first stage of consultation, we had 4 people complete the survey online, 5 attended the co-design workshop and we got to speak with over 20 people at our interactive open day in November 2019.

We received many great suggestions to improve infrastructure, added facilities, places to meet, safer connections and opportunities to increase the sense of 'place' within the neighbourhood. Overall, the community would like to see more greening within their neighbourhood through additional trees and WSUD style landscaping located within the verges and at intersections.



**Fig 1 – Co-design workshop activity**



**Brompton Primary School Workshop**



## Feedback from the Brompton School workshop

Below are ideas that the students felt they would like to see in the Renown Park streets, following a field tour and reimagining what the street could look like.

### What did you love about the street we visited?

It was a very quiet street	Calm
I like the flowers	Nice houses
The trees	Quiet
The chickens in someone's garden	Clean
Friend's house is on the street	Nice plants
Chickens	Native trees
Flowers	Nothing

### What would you change about the street we visited to encourage people to walk, ride and play in their neighbourhood

More colours and art	More trees
More artwork	More people being active
More trees to climb	Change the walls
Make the road better/smooth, cut the trees nicer, clean it up	Fix roads
Water Fountain	Clean up
The roads make them smooth	Change houses
Public pool	Make it safe
Artwork on footpaths	More plants – fragrant trees, bushes and flowers
Free wifi	More grass
Artwork on big fence	More artwork on poles and footpath
3D chalk artwork	Even out footpath and flat road
Change name of street	Underground power lines
Bins	Median strip/slow point – flowers/plants
Playground	Signage
More grass	Benches for people to sit on – mosaic?
Lines for carpark	Green bike lane

### Tell us your one BIG idea that you would like to see happen in the street we visited

A street party/fair	Trees to climb
Roads to be more smoother	Benches to sit
Artwork	Drinking fountain
Grow more trees	Street Party – people make a donation
I would change the grass and the houses	More lighting
Art – street/chalk/mosaic	More people playing in the street
Aboriginal paintings	More colourful

## Comments made following the Building your Street activity

Trees in the middle of the road	A flag (representative)
Grass and trees on road	Art place
Traffic slowing devices	Lawn
Street Art – graffiti	Parks
Chalk Art	Aboriginal Painting
Bus stops	Zebra Crossing
Seating to rest	Painting on stobie poles
Nature place	

## Feedback from the Community Open Day

The below is a list of comments made frequently throughout the consultation process and have been broken down into six key themes:

- Things I love and want to keep
- Things I want to improve about the streetscape
- Things I want to improve about placemaking
- Things I want to improve about safety
- Things I want to improve about stormwater
- Things I want to improve about traffic

The tables below indicate the volume of comments made in relation to each key theme. **Appendix A** includes the comments recorded and which theme they were categorised in.

### Key Theme 1

#### Things I love and want to keep.

Key Theme 1 - Things I love and want to keep.	Comments
The 'dead end'	3
On street parking	1
Quiet street	1
The community	1
Wide streets	7

### Key Theme 2

#### Things I want to improve about the streetscape

Key Theme 2 - Things I want to improve about the streetscape	Comments
Gardens at intersections	2
Greener streets - trees	12
Greener streets - verges	5
Improved walkability	1
Roads too wide	2
Landscape the road closure at Wright/Torrens	4

### Key Theme 3

#### Things I want to improve about placemaking

Key Theme 3	Comments
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Artwork	1
Bee hotel	1
Free produce cart (grow free)	1
Little library	2
Notice board	1
Road art	2
Stobie pole art	2

#### Key Theme 4

##### Things I want to improve about safety.

Key Theme 4 - Things I want to improve about safety.	Comments
Improved lighting	2

#### Key Theme 5

##### Things I want to improve about stormwater

Key Theme 5 - Things I want to improve about stormwater	Comments
Improved stormwater drainage	5

#### Key Theme 6

##### Things I want to improve about traffic

Key Theme 6 – Things I want to improve about traffic	Comments
Angled parking at Wright Street church	1
Improved cycling facilities	2
Reduce speeds	2
Wright/Tait intersection	5



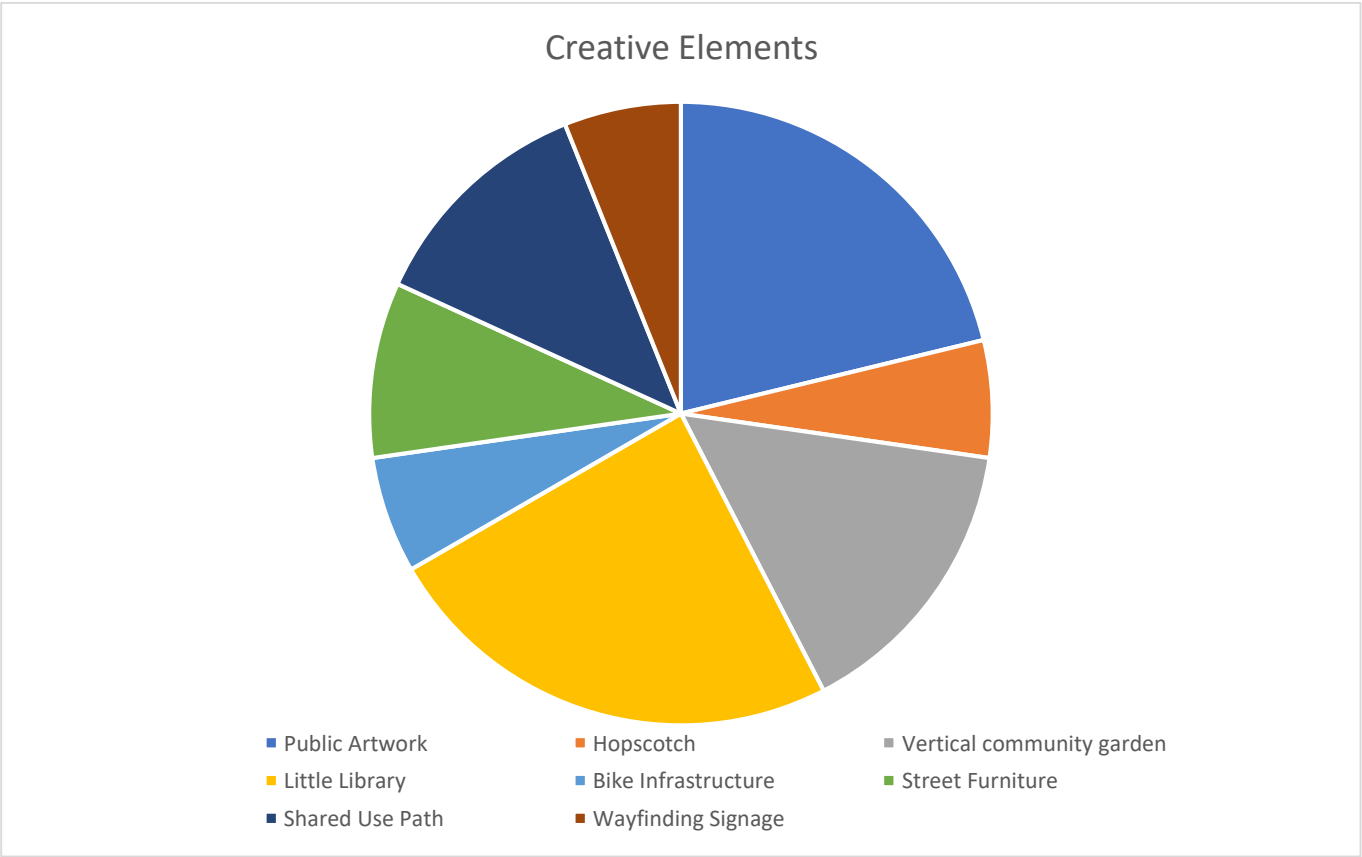


**Precedent Board Feedback**

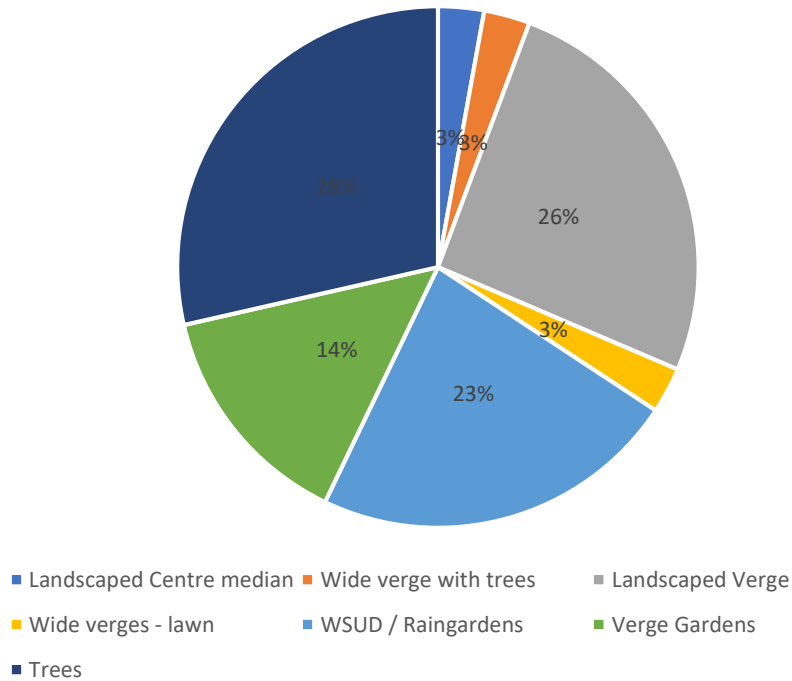
Visitors to the online engagement platform were invited to view images of various precedents across Adelaide showing different traffic, landscaping and placemaking elements. Visitors could ‘like’ or ‘comment’ on an image.

These images were printed and presented at the open day and residents were asked to place a sticker on the images they ‘liked’.

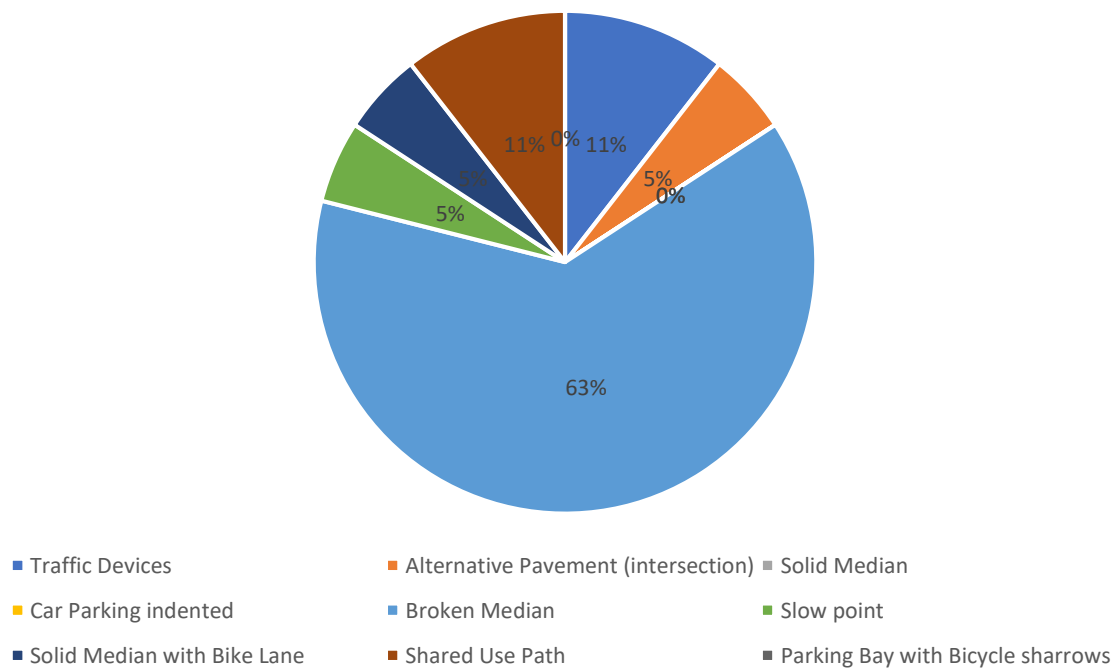
The below graphs show the level of support for images with various elements:



### Landscaping and Trees



### Road and Traffic



## 4. Next Steps

We will be working towards engaging a consultant to develop coloured concepts, taking the outcomes of this consultation and balancing those with Council's strategic policies.

We will be in contact with our Living Streets Champions to meet and discuss with them the concept options which will then be presented to the community for further discussion in 20/21.

## **Appendix A**

### **Comments Provided Throughout Community Engagement**

## Key Theme 1

### Things I love and want to keep.

#### Comment

Dead end street - good opportunity for community + art + green spaces  
I like the wide street  
Keep clear for boat reversing (40 Tait Street?)  
Keep on street parking  
Keep wide streets  
Like the quiet street  
Like wide street. No middle section  
Love my neighbours  
Love the dead end (kinds learn to ride) x 1 (Ditto)  
Love the wideness of Wright Street  
Love wide streets, dead end, relatively quiet  
Safe place for kids to get outside with bikes, ball, learn to drive (Wright dead end)  
We like the wide road but it needs resurfacing and verges could be nicer, greener

#### Theme

Dead end  
Wide streets  
Wide streets  
On street parking  
Wide streets  
Quiet street  
Wide streets  
The community  
Dead end  
Wide streets  
Wide streets  
  
Dead end  
  
Wide streets

## Key Theme 2

### Things I want to improve about the streetscape

Community greening verge group  
  
dead end - design space to put off loitering  
Greenery, entry trees (Harrison/Blight)  
Love our Street - Ferris Street but needs to be greened up and trees looked at  
  
Make the end of Wright Street more of Park  
Protuberances with planting, street trees, WSUD  
  
Put rubbish bin in road closure  
  
Update dead end planting, make welcoming  
Update garden, make welcoming (Wright Street, Lamont Street intersection, near Harrison Road)  
Verges upgraded in all streets  
All of Tait central broken median with trees or protuberances with trees/planting/WSUD  
Bishop/Ferris Street change trees. Road choice at reseal  
Central median with trees  
Change the tree species to beautify the street (current trees look terrible and drop branches)  
Increase tree canopy + verge gardens  
More verge planting on street  
New street tree planting  
New Trees  
New trees Old/different sizes  
Paperbark issue - sucks up water

Greener streets - verges  
Landscape the road closure at Wright/Torrens  
Greener streets - trees  
  
Greener streets - verges  
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Plant native flowering plants (Wright Street near Lamont Street)  
 Plant native trees that do not drop leaves  
 Street feels too wide - too much road trees  
 Very hot and barren (Wright + Tait), more trees  
 want a nice place to walk

Greener streets - verges  
 Greener streets - trees  
 Roads too wide  
 greener streets - trees  
 Roads too wide  
 Improved walkability

### Key Theme 3

#### Things I want to improve about placemaking

art  
 Community notice board  
 For change: would like to interact with neighbours more (e.g. library?)  
 Grow free cart  
 Little library  
 Native bee/insect hotel  
 nothing - easily vandalised (mosaic/art in footpaths and roads) - referring to dead end near Torrens Road  
 On Road Artwork (Lamont Street end)  
 Stobie pole artwork (Bishop Street/Tait Street)  
 Stobie pole artwork (similar to Hawker Street, Rosetta Street)

Artwork  
 Notice board  
 Little library  
 Free produce cart (grow free)  
 Little library  
 bee hotel  
 Road art  
 Road art  
 Stobie pole art  
 Stobie pole art

### Key Theme 4

#### Things I want to improve about safety.

For change: would like to feel a little more safe  
 light up the dead end  
 Street lighting at Wright Street (additional)

Improved lighting  
 Improved lighting

### Key Theme 5

#### Things I want to improve about stormwater

Better street drainage (Tait/Wright)  
 Intersection floods (Wright/Tait)  
 Stormwater - Flooding after South Road (Bishop Street/Ferris Street)  
 Stormwater solution. Wright Street floods after a small amount of rain  
 Wright Street floods, water holds for a day in gutters

improved stormwater drainage  
 improved stormwater drainage  
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 improved stormwater drainage

### Key Theme 6

#### Things I want to improve about traffic

Angle parking for church goers  
 bikeways  
 Frome style protected bike lanes with plantings (WSUD)  
 Might be better to flip the giveways (Wright Street/Tait Street)

Angled parking at Wright Street church  
 Improved cycling facilities  
 Improved cycling facilities  
 Wright/Tait intersection



People aren't giving way, stop sign would be better	Wright/Tait intersection
People do not give way at this intersection (Wright/Tait)	Wright/Tait intersection
People do not give ways top at Tait + Wright intersection (do round about)	Wright/Tait intersection
People speed + do burn outs especially on weekends (Wright Street)	Reduce speeds
Roundabout (Wright Street/Tait Street)	Wright/Tait intersection
Wright Street speed too fast, 40 km/hr speed limit is not working	Reduce speeds

## Comments raised outside of project scope

### Comment

Powerlines underground (Wright Street/Tait Street)

Room for several bins required (17 Tait Street)

Uneven footpaths (Harrison Road near Plymouth Avenue)