

John Coutts Reserve (Gladstone Park) New playspace and park upgrade

What is the project?

John Coutts Reserve is a neighbourhood park that currently has no formal infrastructure. The site will receive a new playspace and supporting open space assets to better serve the Gladstone Park community members for the next 20 years.

Recent community engagement undertaken has indicated works to include a bike circuit to support a community grant commitment, along with a playspace, outdoor gathering facilities (coordinating shelters, BBQ, public toilet, drinking fountains, bins and carpark access) along with multi-purpose recreational sports courts, seating, kick-about area, garden beds, tree planting, signage, path connections and shared use path (SUP) connecting to the Moonee Ponds Trail network. The design is to seek opportunities to support small-medium events including loading access, a hard stand area and three phase power access.

Why is it important to the Hume City community?

Public open spaces are at the heart of our community, and provide social, health and wellbeing, environmental and economic benefits for everyone. They also provide important functions to society.

High quality, well maintained green space benefits everyone as they contribute to economic development as they provide attractive places for people to visit, help support natural environment improvements and give people a place to improve their own health and wellbeing.

The addition of a new high-quality piece of open space in Gladstone Park will derive all these benefits plus more as it will be a new destination for the community to come together, improve social cohesion and community connectiveness and contribute to improved community pride.

The support we need:

We need \$1,589,036 from the Federal Government to complete this project.

Hume City Council Contribution: \$1,589,036

Total Project Cost: \$3,178,072



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