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Community and Culture Committee OPEN ATTACHMENTS

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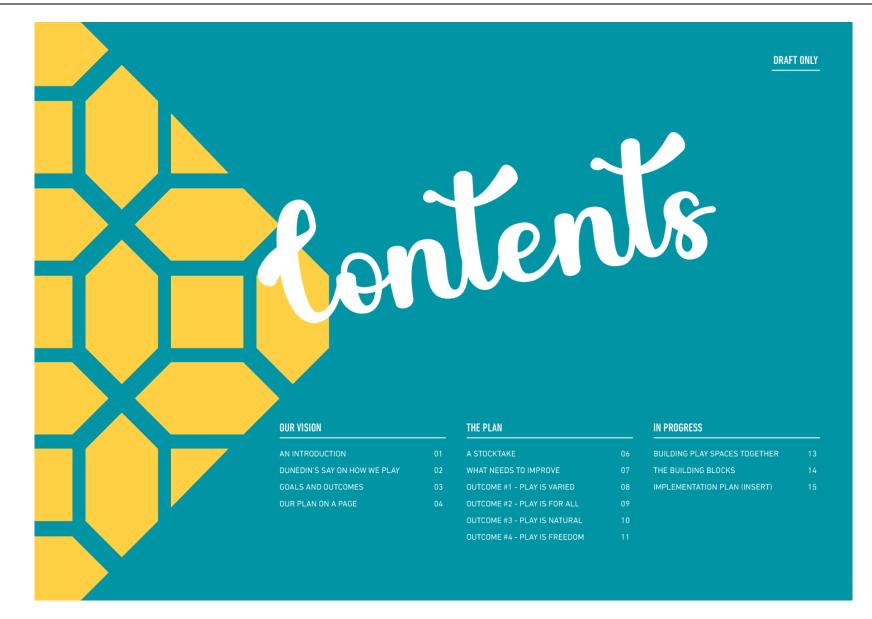


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Ready, set, go!



When we play, we imagine.

We're curious and inspired by what's around us. We're energetic, brave, trying new things or teaching others. We're spending time with our family and friends, or we're meeting new people.

We are exploring and experiencing the world around us, immersed in nature and keeping fit and active.

Play is for everyone.

That makes it important to us because it keeps our community connected, fostering safe neighbourhoods and promoting overall health and wellbeing for Dunedin people.

When we asked for feedback about what's important when it comes to Dunedin's play spaces, our community told us to provide a range of recreational opportunities so everyone in our city can be fit, active and have fun.

And we listened. In this Dunedin City Council Play Spaces Plan, we have focused on establishing value across all of our play spaces, where variety, inclusivity and sustainability form the basis of how we will create a city where play is for everyone.

This plan replaces the first DCC Play Strategy released in 2009, which concentrated on how we would maintain our play spaces. Projects from that plan have now been completed.

Now, we are looking beyond managing play spaces as assets but to the importance of play as beneficial for the wellbeing of our wider community. This means we have combined community feedback, research and analysis of societal trends to consider how we can create play spaces that are designed for everyone's changing needs - with equipment that encourages interaction, interest and challenge for our children, with options for teenagers and adults.

We want to improve play experiences for our whole community, including those with disabilities. We want our play spaces to be welcoming, to be fun and stimulating, and to be places where our tamariki, rangatahi and the wider community can play freely, safely, explore nature and share experiences with those around them.

We would like to thank all those who offered feedback and provided insights so we could develop what our future play spaces will look like.

Together, Let's create OUR FUTURE pLay Spaces.

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Playing a part DRAFT ONLY DUNEDIN'S SAY ON HOW WE PLAY We received over 900 We spoke to more than survey responses 1000 children 86% Community feedback about play spaces in our city has been want the DCC to fund more the cornerstone of developing this plan. equipment for children We received more than 900 responses to our survey asking with disabilities for feedback on our playgrounds in and around Dunedin, and we spoke with more than 1000 children from right across our community. We also received a number of submissions regarding our playgrounds as part of our 10 year plan consultation process. want the DCC to spend As part of our engagement to develop this plan, we also spoke more on play equipment with Aukaha, groups from the disability sector, young people's for teenagers and messy play (water and sand) groups, community groups, sporting organisations, teachers, adults academics and researchers. Special thanks to all those who provided input. 84% Around 1/4 of primary school children want natural and exploratory play want the DCC to invest in more pump tracks, mountain bike areas and parkour Older primary school children want spaces risk, challenge and more free space 57% want the DCC to spend more on skateparks

02







TTO PLAY

WE WILL:

Provide excellent play spaces that are

fully accessible for all ages, abilities

and cultures.

Providing family-friendly facilities where

Making our play spaces more accessible

the whole whānau can be together.

and inclusive for people with social,

cognitive and physical disabilities.

BY:

Let's play Itepoti!

OUR PLAN ON A PAGE

BY:

shade spaces.

TO ENJOY

WE WILL:

Provide sustainable play spaces where

tamariki and rangatahi can play in a

natural environment.

Providing more opportunities for non-

traditional play equipment and experiences.

Using vegetation and natural structures

to ignite imaginative play and also provide

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WE WILL:

Provide opportunities for tamariki and

rangatahi to explore, challenge themselves,

learn new skills, interact and have fun.

Providing play equipment that challenges

Developing opportunities for different

kinds of play - individual, exploratory,

imaginative, social, active.

children of all ages and lets them take risks.

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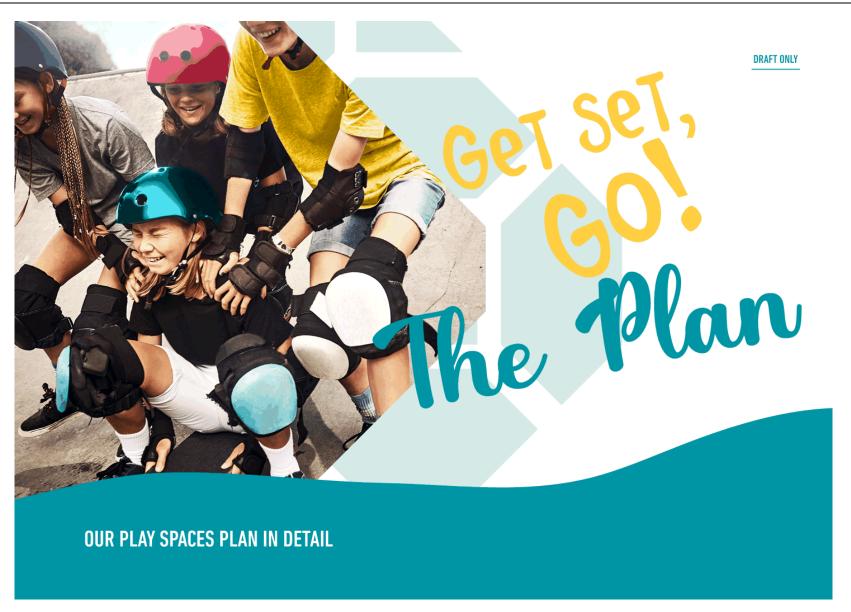
Improving the quality of our skateparks so they are safe, functional, soften noise and offer spaces with shelter.

BY:

Designing spaces that also include options















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WHAT NEEDS TO IMPROVE

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Some of our play spaces are performing well but others need improving. We can do better when it comes to the quality, variety and availability of our play spaces. These core improvement areas, supported by community feedback, have helped drive our overall Play Spaces Plan.

QUALITY

"We want a proper,

modern destination

playground that

excites kids and

accommodates families. Not a 1950s

of paint."

seesaw with 60 coats

A PARENT

We have worked hard to improve the condition of our playgrounds. Now only a few playgrounds have equipment in poor condition, and we will renew these over time. Unfortunately, all of our skateparks are in poor condition and are not great places to skate. We will start by raising the standards of our skateparks.



VARIETY

Every child is different, but our local playgrounds tend to be all the same, providing limited experiences for those that use them. This means our communities don't benefit much from having lots of playgrounds. All of our playgrounds support active play and, in most cases, support playing with others. However, we have heard from adults and children that our playgrounds would provide more value if they had equipment that let children play in different ways.

AVAILABILITY

Dunedin has roughly one playground per 200 children. This is a good number of playgrounds for a city of our size, but they are not evenly distributed. Some communities have a good supply of playgrounds but others do not. Where possible, we will aim to rectify this by developing new play spaces. This is not always easy to do in welldeveloped areas, nor is it possible to provide a play space close to every property. In some cases we may upgrade a local playground to a community playground instead of building an additional playground.





Our future play spaces **OUTCOME #1 – PLAY IS VARIED** "The parks we have are not fun, not big enough, and need new equipment." WHAT OUR COMMUNITY OUR GOAL: 14-YEAR-OLD **TOLD US** Our tamariki and rangatahi can explore, challenge Kindergarten children want free themselves, learn new skills and have fun. and messy play that includes water WHAT WE'RE GOING and sand. A great playground provides children with the opportunity TO DO ABOUT IT to explore, challenge themselves, learn new skills, interact Primary school children want and have fun. Children play in lots of different ways. Outdoor WHAT OUR OWN to socialise and play freely in Provide a wider variety of play play can be creative, imaginative, active, social, calm or INFORMATION TOLD US exploratory environments. equipment that offers managed risk chaotic. Providing spaces that are well-designed for all types and challenge for different age groups. of play will support our children cognitively, physically and Older primary school children want Of our playgrounds, 34 have two or socially, where variety in equipment and play experiences will more age-appropriate playgrounds fewer pieces of play equipment. Provide a wider variety of play encourage our children to participate, grow and develop. One (risk and challenge), more free space experiences including individual, piece of modern play equipment will now enable children to (where they can use wheels) and more In 29 of our playgrounds, there are only exploratory, imaginative, social, active, play in several ways and risky play doesn't always mean it's places to hang out. free and natural play. a couple of different ways to play. unsafe. Changes to New Zealand play standards mean that The majority of our community wanted equipment can now be more challenging for children to allow Offer more things that appeal to the The same swing and slide set is used in investment in destination playgrounds senses, e.g. sounds, textures, smells, them to safely take more risks. 37 playgrounds. or a combination of destination and visual interest and taste. local playgrounds. Only 4% of our playgrounds provide Provide differences between play suitable space (e.g. shelter, seating, spaces by providing a variety of shading) for children to hang out. equipment and play experiences. "Marlow park doesn't have enough variety. One new swing in 10 years is pitiful." A PARENT

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IMPLEMENTATION PLAN 2021-2024

This is how we will make a start on implementing our Play Spaces Plan. During implementation we will continue working with mana whenua and our wider community to ensure improvements to our play spaces capture and reflect our city's diverse needs.



IN 2021/22 WE WILL SPEND:

\$1.3mON RENEWING AND REPLACING
PLAY EQUIPMENT\$600kON NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT

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WHAT WE WILL DO IN 2021/22

Feasibility and Options Report for a Destination Playground Renew the skate surface at Fairfield Skatepark Trial a new relocatable pump track at Marlow Park Trial three skateboard ramps at Marlow Park, in North East Valley and on the Peninsula Install basketball hoops at four playgrounds across the city Improve playgrounds in South Dunedin, Karitane and Caversham

Replace old playground equipment in Sawyers Bay, Maori Hill, Calton Hill, Roslyn, Kaikorai, Concord and Musselburgh

WHAT'S IN THE PLAN FOR 2022-24

Renewing the surfaces at Mornington and Thomas Burns Skateparks

Upgrading Woodhaugh Gardens playground, to include new equipment and options for a new paddling pool or splash pad

New pump track/s across the city

Playground renewals and improvements – replacing and providing new equipment at playgrounds across the city

For more information and updates during implementation of our Play Spaces Plan, go to www.dunedin.govt.nz/play-space

