



Media release

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Community will help shape play space

The City of Subiaco is upgrading the playground at Theatre Gardens and is inviting community feedback to help create a new and unique play space for children.

Playground users are encouraged to share their thoughts on what they like about the current playground and ideas for the new play space on the city's online community engagement hub at www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/haveyoursay before 5pm on Friday 17 January 2014.

CEO, Stephen Tindale said: "The current play equipment at Theatre Gardens is due for replacement as part of the city's Capital Improvements Program. This is an opportunity to create a different kind of play space that provides diverse play experiences for children of various ages and abilities."

In addition to community input, the design of the new playground will be guided by the city's *Playspace Strategy*, which was adopted by council earlier this year.

Mr Tindale said: "The city's Playspace Strategy provides a framework and guiding principles for the planning of the city's play spaces to ensure they are appropriate and support the development of young people."

He continued: "The aim is to build creative and diverse play environments that are both exciting and challenging for children."

The project builds on success the city has had with involving the community in playground designs, including the recent addition of new play equipment at Lake Jualbup, and the upgrades at Rosalie Street Park and Cliff Sadlier Reserve, which are currently in progress.

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Notes to Editor

The City of Subiaco is recognised as a local government leader in a range of areas such as environmental and social initiatives, and long-term planning for the future. It is located in the inner metropolitan area of Perth and includes the suburbs of Subiaco, Daglish and parts of Nedlands, Shenton Park, Crawley and Jolimont. A major centre for employment with a diverse and growing business sector, the city provides important services including waste collection, town planning and public recreation facilities, to more than 19 000 residents. The city aims to maintain its vibrant sense of community and enhance the lives and well-being of everyone who lives, visits and works in Subiaco. For more information about the City of Subiaco, visit **www.subiaco.wa.gov.au**