

Gabba Ward Community Voting

How can we improve our parks and footpaths?

The process

- Initial workshop to reflect on last year's trial and agree on process for 2017
- Eight community voting workshops spread around 7 suburbs of the Gabba Ward
- Promoted via a letter to every household, emails and Facebook
- Majority of engagement was via online channels - approximately 660 registered users but only around 300 active participants
 1. Residents suggest projects
 2. We provide costings for eligible projects and exclude 'out of scope projects'
 3. Residents vote to allocate funding to projects up to a set limit of \$350k
- Roughly an 8 month lag between end of the voting process and project implementation



This budget is for upgrades to council-owned parks and public spaces

What we can spend this budget on:

- Benches and picnic tables
- Playgrounds, basketball courts etc
- Shelters and shade sails
- Public barbeques and drinking fountains
- New footpaths or upgrading old paths
- Public toilets, dog off-leash areas
- Small lighting projects

What we can't spend this money on:

- Pedestrian crossings and traffic lights
- On-road bike lanes
- Other changes to roadways
- Anything on private land, or on land owned by the State Government
- Major lighting projects
- Grants for community groups and projects

What are we talking about today?

- Who are you and how long have you lived in the area?
- What do you like about your neighbourhood? What don't you like?
- What role does public space play in our community? How do you use public parks?
- What barriers do people face in using public spaces?
- What specific upgrades would you like to see in local parks?