

Submission ID	Is there anything we need to know before starting our work on the play area renewal?	First name	Last name
39655	Hi just wondering what happens to the old playground, we train new Zealand urban search and rescue dogs and this would be perfect to train on at our yard in metro place, if we could talk more that would be awesome. Thanks Daniel	Daniel	Davey
39400	A high attraction basketball court would help attract more people to the park, getting more people more active and making the park safer. This is a court with coloured surface and high quality hoop. Worth the extra investment. Thanks	Greg	Williamson
39343	Our club is working to help find funds to contribute to the basketball court getting painted. Painted courts will help increase engagement/participation. Great to see a local basketball court getting upgraded! Basketball is the most played sport in High Schools in Canterbury.	Zach	Lilburne
39780	My only concern is that the additional seating is sited in such a way it does not encourage anti-social behaviour if that makes sense. Trying to say that the seating can be sited from the footpath/road and fronting that way.	Marc	Duff
39760	Leave the fort alone, all ages use it. I even use it! Why not add this obstacle course stuff nearby and leave playground alone. it's fine as it is. My kids loved it.	Carrie	Read
39745	Some more seating would be good around the play areas and basketball court. I would like to see some play for little children, my daughters 5 and still uses seesaw n wee slide, maybe some more climbing obstacle would be good, but not to harder ones. Swings are a definite.	Heidi	Stowell
39732	<p>I have two children, aged 6. 5years and 4 years old. I really can't see them using a lot of the proposed equipment such as the ninja board, turbo challenge, crawling net, the chin up bars.</p> <p>The see-saw and the slide will be so sad to go. And the Fort. How about an upgraded Fort area - I've seen both the young children and older children using it.</p> <p>My kids have joined in with other kids in the neighbourhood playing on the see saw. To see that kind of connection and working together will be sad to see go.</p> <p>I feel the proposed one is aimed at older children. 90% of the time we have been the kids have been under about 7 or 8 years.</p> <p>See saws and various slides or a flying fox or climbing Fort area - like Broken Run in Wigram. That would be AMAZING for this area. Please consider doing this for our younger kids that actually use the area!</p>	Louise	France

39659	I have looked at the proposed playground and do not like it. We live just a few houses down and would like somewhere to take my baby in a year or so aswell as have play equipment suitable for my 5 year old. The proposed doesn't even have a slide! A skate park would be awesome as we currently dont have any in Hornby so most weekends I take my kids to Halswell and skate with them.	Josh	Le Breton
39658	Gosh it would be wonderful to.have something that catered across the age ranges, toddlers through to some climbing things for older kids. A scooter track would be amazing!!!! It has an expansive field so there is plenty of room for some real innovation. Some of the parks in local suburbs (Halswell, Aidanfield, Wigram) are amazing! Multiple swing types/slides, climbing frames, merry go rounds, bike/scooter tracks. It would be such an asset to that area! I am so excited to hear that this is on the cards for these families.	jo	pomare
39654	As a user of this park I would love to see it upgraded to make it a awesome area for families. I have seen the proposed obstacle course would love some exercise equipment as this park is used by rugby league practice and games would make great addition to a course. It needs picnic tables making this park a epic park will also help local business. Alot of people also stop here thinking there is toilets which there is not. Fencing off the park maybe a idea. Alot of people walk their dogs here so having the bins is a great addition for dog waste. There is a path but having a loop would be great for scooters and bikes.	Danielle	Hide
39653	I think a renewal of this area would be fantastic not only for the locals but also to all who visit the area. I think toddler equipment would be fantastic as the slide there is a bit of a death trap and maybe a mini skate area or workout area I think it's a lovely area of Hornby	Elizabeth	O'Brien
39602	Swings for younger and older children those lovely round ones are awesome. Roundabout would be great. The parks you have in brighton , sumner and barrington are all brilliant	Yvonne	Straman
39531	this plan is great for over 4 yrs old. It will challenge then and lead to Competitions. I feel just swings for under 4s is not enough, they love the slide and Mum Or Dad lifting them up on to the Fort. Go and watch them. Please rethink this part of the plan. Not sure of the seating it seem to be aimed at the Basketball court and looks to be enclosed in the picture. One seat for the playground seem appalling for those looking on at the ground. Would love to see the picnic table reinstated as promised about 3 yrs ago it was well used before it dissappeared. Please explain what a Ninja wall is and how it is used and the ramp at the start of the path is for. Over all The kids will love the new part and it will be well used. I would also like to see some more seating around the park as we also have a lot of older people who walk round the park for exercise and it would be nice for them to sit a while and enjoy the lovely park Set on a concrete slab the people that spray around the trees could keep the edges clean. Two more would be appreciated	Dawn	Scoon

39527	<p>Having lived beside Branston Park for 7 years I'd suggest:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. While other parks are not too far away this park is a highly valuable and well utilised resource for local families. The most well used items are the basketball court, swings and slide. Retention of the swings and basketball court are a good idea. I'd also question whether a slide should also be retained in some form. 2. While a Ninja Wall and Crawl Net are good in theory I doubt they would have extensive use and would prefer to see a slide reinstalled. 3. Paint on the Basketball court while initially appealing eventually looks faded and worn and no doubt comes with considerable additional expense. I'd propose not painting the basketball court and just leaving it with asphalt with painted lines. A basketball net is nice to have on the hoop but appreciate there may be problems with this been stolen. 4. The new swings are great and will no doubt be well used. 5. The seating area beside the basketball court is a fabulous idea and is well situated to block the northeasterly wind which blows across the park. Suggest not using clearlite/perspex as these will be prone to kicking-in by vandals and eventually fade in the sun, become brittle and look terrible. An attractive alternative is coloursteel which can also be repainted if graffitied. 6. The garden in front of the play area is looking quite tired and unkept. Could this be redone at the same time taking into account it gets very dry in summer in this area and the large trees remove a lot of moisture from the ground which affects the garden. Plants best suited to drought conditions planted there or an irrigation system set up for the garden like there is for the park itself would be good for the garden. The gravel area beside the garden and footpath is quite unsightly and could easily be covered with asphalt. Please consider doing this at the same time. 7. The large trees beside the playground are no longer appealing and have also reached the end of their useful life. They occasionally drop large branches which make them hazardous, have roots which will eventually ruin the surface of the new basketball court and could easily be removed at the same time and new trees planted with less growth potential. 8. Please keep the rubbish bin near it's current location as it is well utilised and may reduce the amount of rubbish in the park. 	William	Esson
39518	<p>I live next to the park near the change shed (some identifying info redacted). The gap between fence & shed approx. 1 metre which is quite often used as a toilet & there has been a crap there on the odd occasion particularly during the league season - Is there any chance of getting a toilet built near this facility? I've been here since 1966</p>	Colin	Gilmour

39517	<p>Our playground is well used. Kids love the fort it offers climbing, slides and poles. An upgraded fort would be fantastic but would be incredibly disappointing for it to go. It is used by all age groups and would be great to keep. The see saw and large slide are also well used. Love seeing natural play. I understand an upgrade is needed but the changes you are proposing don't encourage group play and imagination like a fort. Adding bars and a commando net wall sounds fantastic. The replacement swing set looks fabulous. 1 / 3 / 4 / 7 look like a waste of money as kids get bored of them quickly in my experience. A "flying fox" would be an amazing addition if it fit your budget. Please don't ruin our park when Warren Park was changed my kids stopped asking to go over as it was boring.</p>	Robyn	Leadley
39497	<p>I love the idea of the play area getting an upgrade, even though I don't use it myself! However we do use the park most days to walk our dog, and we're very conscious of the rules around walking him around the playground. I would love to see some higher fencing around the playground to help with the safety issue of dogs around children considering the smaller size of the park. It's quite easy for our dog and a lot of the other pups we see playing in the park to run over to the play area and jump onto the bark area as it's not fenced. Thanks for allowing the opportunity to submit!</p>	Tania	Green
39480	<p>Some ideas for the new playground Obstacle course is good, please make sure part of it is accessible for toddlers and preschoolers as well as big kids. A parent/child facing swing would be amazing Shade would be a huge bonus. Not enough play areas are shared.</p>	Camilla	Wheeler
39405	<p>I have seen the proposed plan for this park on the sign and to be honest im pretty disappointed to see that there has been no thought put in for the younger children. Most of the ideas planned are for older children. I would love to see either a skate park, bike track, flying fox and something put in for the younger generation also. I would really love it to have a flying fox and a parent swing.</p>	Robyn	Owen
39386	<p>How about some fresh andFunky . Hornby Islington have the the more boring and run down play areas. Many community people could help with labour, art design. Groups like Hornby Residents Committee etc. Play areas need to be clear of trees or scrubs so that children can not be lured into dangerous situations. More natural and unusual resources could make interesting play area. Old wooden reels and tires, logs. And artists could add playable sculptures. Adding color could be achieved in many ways from murals to suitable place reflector lights, solar lights. In a area where children could be targets off older youth or child predators, roaming open areas free of shrub clear signs and rules and prehaps high fencing bars to deter stray dog. A sand pit is a interesting concept, a higher fence might deter cats going in sand box. The good old digger and funnels for the sand. A larger scale garage with push able wooden cars. Hornby has nothing that's natural, artistic and also a dash of modern show peice. I thing with right planning costs could be manageable and community input would inspire.</p>	Terri	Kubala

39365	Currently our park has one baby swing and 3 normal swings. I like the idea of the basket swings but please ensure there are at least two normal swings replaced here!!! Remember that babies and toddlers use playgrounds too and they cannot do an "obstacle course"	Andrea	Rowe
39362	There are some older kids who regularly play here too....aged 11- 17 it would be nice to ensure the playground is not just for the little kids. There are 4 families who get together on a regular basis and its great to see the kids all together playing at the park.	Glenda	Barnes
39361	There is a opportunity to create a awesome community basketball court. Make it a vibrant colour with a good quality hoop	Jozef	Knottenbelt
39360	Would be great to have things for toddlers to play on that aren't too high, not quite like Barrington playground but similar	Catherine	Holland
39358	Needs something challenging for older children approx 12 years like a flying fox or a bike /scooter track with a few jumps a big slide like Margaret mahey park	Carolyn	Mulholland
39357	A refresh of the basketball area and a quality basketball backboard hoops and stand would be fantastic. Some seating beside it too watch as well is a great idea. I work close by and would use this often.	Nick	Prouting
39356	Please consider a full basketball court, basketball is the fastest growing sport in NZ. It would be an asset to the community.. there are so many playgrounds around for toddlers and they are hardly used!	Struan	Banks
39354	Would love a flying fox and the souble sided parent/baby swing.. Also play equipment to cater to all ages. I have a nearly 5 year old and a new baby on the way so would love to be able to take them both there. Also picnic tables to sit at.	Nikki	Cole
39351	I have lived in Hornby all my life and this park has been a Big part of my childhood memories. Would be great to focus around the sporty aspect of the park.... Both Rugby and basketball (half court) is played there.... With the growth of basketball the half court is used a lot... Would be good to see the upgrade so that half court competition could be there. The playground is a great balance between the two.... A big slide has always been a drawcard as there aren't many left this side of town..... Would be great to have more seating as the fish and chip shop is a draw card after the sports.	Chris	Geldard
39350	Obstacle course styled playgrounds are not very inclusive to all children as often they're too difficult for younger children to navigate, therefore excluding them from play. If an obstacle course is set in stone then a separate preschooler area is a must. Also a flying Fox would be a wonderful addition.	Chrissie	Tait
39348	We find this playground is suited more for children ages 4 and up. My daughter is 4 and very small, she doesn't like using this playground because it is big and doesn't have anything she enjoys doing except the small slide and swing. We live very local and would use it if it was done up. Maybe some more picnic tables, more slides, monkey bars and the steering wheel is my favorite things my daughter enjoys using at other playgrounds.	Liv	Simpson
39347	It would be awesome if part of the area could be aimed at toddlers rather than just big kids as often a lot of playgrounds are these days aimed at older kids, so smaller slide, ladders etc	Amanda	Hills

39345	I think having a similar replacement fort along with play equipment suitable for 1-5 year olds would be a good option as Branston park has been always lacking in play equipment for toddlers. Preferably equipment which allows toddlers to climb and develop their fine and gross motorskills would be ideal.	Emma	Grenfell
39344	I fully support getting this park upgraded with a basketball court. Basketball is one of the fastest growing sports in NZ (esp in ChCH) and sometimes having access to facilities is a barrier especially for lower income families. A good, functional half court would be well utilised in this geographical area... and there are community organisations (such as the Gators bball club) who are supporting young people in basketball in this area with a particular focus of increasing community involvement - especially in lower income areas. Having young people active and engaged is key to their well being. Having painted / colourful court spaces would be advantageous (like New Brighton) as this has an impact on levels of engagement also and helps to show that the Council supports all areas of ChCh.	Helen	Williamson