



Media release

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Submission Hearings on Rolleston Plans

Submission hearings on plans to develop Rolleston Town Centre and Foster Recreation Park will take place on Wednesday 4 December.

212 submissions were received on the Draft Rolleston Town Centre Masterplan and 160 submissions on Draft Foster Recreation Park Masterplan.

Submissions indicated there was a high level of public support for both plans, with 73% of submitters indicating they supported the overall concept for the Rolleston Town Centre and 96% of submitters supporting the direction of the Foster Park Masterplan.

Submissions on Foster Park Masterplan indicated that people particularly liked the idea of the park being used for a variety of uses like sports, walking, cycling, events and having a children's play area. Submitters also supported the idea of sports groups sharing spaces and facilities at the park.

There was strong support from submitters to the Town Centre Masterplan for the development of a new library, community and technology centre in Rolleston, with 78% of submitters in favour of this concept. All of the other proposals in the Town Centre Masterplan which include plans to enhance Rolleston Reserve, develop Tennyson Street as Rolleston's Main Street, improve Rolleston Drive, extend Moore Street and develop Kidman Street as a commercial area, were also supported by the majority of submitters.

Suggestions for improvements to the Town Centre Masterplan from submitters include improvements to parking in the town centre, encouraging more cafes and restaurants to set up and changes to the proposed roading design.

Wednesday's hearing will be held at the Council Headquarters in Rolleston and is open to the public.

The Council is expected to adopt the Masterplans for the Town Centre and Foster Recreation Park, with any changes made as a result of submissions, early in 2014.

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