

# Waterpark Feasibility Study

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# Purpose of the Feasibility Study

- Responds to Council direction to determine feasibility of water-based recreation opportunities and identify suitable locations within the City.



# Community Need

What are the key findings of the Feasibility Study?

## Strong demand for Waterplay

- 99% support investment.
- 85% willing to pay



## Priorities

- Shade
- Waterslides
- Adventure play
- Family facilities



## Locations considered

- KLP (**preferred**)
- Bulgarra Sporting Precinct
- Richardson Way
- Dampier Foreshore



## Type / Style

- District/community
- Network style offering



# Concepts

What are the identified pros and cons of the selected concept locations?

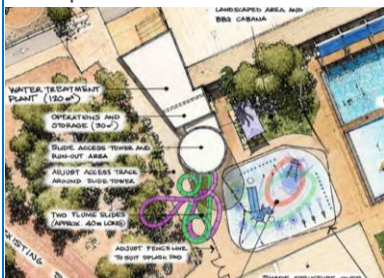
## KLP

### Pros:

- Operationally established
- Enhanced user experience
- Safe, accessible & integrated

### Cons:

- Space constraints
- Capacity limitations
- Access and infrastructure pressures



## Bulgarra Sporting Precinct

### Pros:

- Integrated sporting precinct
- Accessible, free to use community recreation
- Diverse play experience

### Cons:

- Site demands & constraints
- Limited site surveillance, misuse and maintenance



## Richardson Way

### Pros:

- Central and accessible
- Flexible recreation precinct
- Regional scale destination

### Cons:

- Investment commitment (\$\$)
- Site management
- Supporting infrastructure & site constraints



## Dampier Foreshore

### Pros:

- Established destination
- Diverse play experience
- Existing infrastructure advantage

### Cons:

- Coastal exposure/maintenance
- Reduced open space/limited expansion opportunities
- Environmental impacts



# Recommended Direction

The Karratha Leisureplex offers the strongest overall feasibility.

## Why KLP?

- Existing infrastructure
- Lower operating risk
- Shared staffing and servicing
- Accessibility & safety



## Capital Cost

- High level concepts developed - used for options comparison.
- \$13.5million high level estimate



## Considerations

- Operating costs
- Asset renewal
- Revenue offset potential
- Future growth



## Proposal

- Include in site masterplanning for the KLP



# Council Decision

**ACCEPT** the findings of the Waterplay Feasibility Study.

**ENDORSE** the Karratha Leisureplex as the preferred location for further planning and investigation.

**ENDORSE** the inclusion of a waterplay facility and associated supporting infrastructure within the scope and detailed planning of the Karratha Leisureplex Masterplan.



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