



Grevillea Park Dragon Boat Facility

REPORT ON WHAT WE HEARD

The ACT Government is building facilities for dragon boating at Grevillea Park, further activating the East Basin part of Lake Burley Griffin.

As our city grows, we are committed to delivering more sporting facilities to help Canberrans stay active, healthy and engaged in the sports they love.

This ACT Government is designing a new Dragon Boat facility at Grevillea Park. This forms part of a \$1.7 million commitment to build a permanent home for dragon boating in Canberra. Work is underway to progress the necessary planning and design requirements in consultation with Dragon Boat ACT (DBACT), which will operate and maintain the facility once complete.

The new facility will be located at Grevillea Park (Menindee Drive, Barton) with construction due to commence in the second half of 2022 once the necessary planning approvals have been obtained.

As one of Canberra's largest water-based sports, and an increasingly popular activity for women and people of all ages, this new Dragon Boat facility will support growth opportunities for the sport.

The new facility will include:

- new boat storage
- clubhouse facilities
- a training room
- event administration
- change rooms.

The facility will allow DBACT to continue to run its regattas at Grevillea Park and it will help to further activate Lake Burley Griffin's East Basin.

THE CONVERSATION

An online YourSay conversation was open during the formal consultation period from Wednesday 2 March 2022 to Wednesday 30 March 2022 for the local community to comment on the preliminary designs of the new Grevillea Park Dragon Boat facility. This will inform the next phase of the project.

The community was asked to provide any comments or feedback via email to sportandrecreation@act.gov.au.

WHO WE ENGAGED

Consultation and engagement directly targeted Lake Burley Griffin user groups, including those located at or near Grevillea Park and residents of Kingston Foreshore who were notified of the engagement through a letterbox drop.

A link to the YourSay webpage was provided to the North and South Canberra Community Councils.

The broader dragon boat community were notified of the engagement through DBACT.

Key insights from the community

Support for sporting facilities

1. The majority of survey respondents supported the project.
2. The provision of a high-quality facility to support a sport which is highly accessible was seen as a positive.
3. Respondents supported adding further diversity to activities on Lake Burley Griffin.

Traffic, parking and noise

1. Noise produced by the dragon boats when out on the lake was the key concern raised by some respondents.
2. A lack of public amenities (e.g. public toilets) for the broader community at Grevillea Park and the impact on parking for other facilities in the area were also raised.
3. The use of solar panels on the proposed facility was also raised.

WHAT'S NEXT?

Feedback received will be used to help inform the Works Approval application.

In coming months, a Works Approval application will be submitted to the National Capital Authority.

Further enquiries can be made via email: sportandrecreation@act.gov.au

Key Timings

October 2020	ACT Government commits \$1.7 million to establish a permanent home for dragon boating at Grevillea Park
June 2021	Grevillea Park Dragon Boat Facility planning and design work commences
March 2022	Grevillea Park Dragon Boat facility community consultation commences
May 2022	What We Heard Report released
May 2022	Works Approval Application lodged with the National Capital Authority
TBC	Construction to commence on the Grevillea Park Dragon Boat Facility

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FEEDBACK

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We engaged with 101 people
via YourSay.

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We delivered three
presentations to stakeholders
including the Lake Burley Griffin
Lake Users Group.

2,800

We sent letters to 2,800
residents in the Kingston
Foreshore.

16,725

We reached a social
media audience of
16,725 and engaged
1,380 people.