



Gungahlin Tennis Facility

REPORT ON WHAT WE HEARD

The ACT Government, in partnership with Tennis Australia and Tennis ACT, is building a new community tennis facility in Gungahlin.

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.

The ACT Government has engaged a consultant to assist in the preparation of a site masterplan or Estate Development Plan for the new Gungahlin Tennis Facility.

Important design considerations include the management of stormwater, traffic, light spill from the tennis court lighting systems, site access and facility parking.

The new Gungahlin Tennis Facility, which will be located in Amaroo on Horse Park Drive, will meet the needs of our community as tennis participation continues to grow in the ACT.

Work has commenced on the design of the new facility.

The facility aims to include:

- 10 full sized hard courts that will comply with the International Tennis Federation (ITF) standards
- 2 hot shot courts
- a hitting wall
- LED lighting for the tennis courts
- a pavilion, including female friendly changerooms
- parking

THE CONVERSATION

An online YourSay conversation was open during the formal consultation period from Friday 1 July 2022 to Friday 19 August 2022 for the local community to comment on the preliminary designs of the new Gungahlin Tennis Facility and 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 stakeholder groups, including the Gungahlin Community Council, Pedal Power ACT, ACT Equestrian Association, Gungahlin Little Athletics Centre, Amaroo School, Good Shepherd Primary School and nearby residents of Moncrieff, Jacka and Amaroo who were notified of the engagement through two letterbox drops.

The wider community were invited to have their say through distribution of the Our Canberra printed newsletter, social media and ACT Government media releases.



Key insights from the community

Support for sporting facilities

1. The majority of survey respondents supported the project.
2. The provision of a quality facility to support a sport which is highly accessible was seen as a positive.
3. Respondents supported the idea of being able to access the courts to learn, practice, and play tennis to keep fit.

Traffic, parking, stormwater, lighting, noise and court types

1. The potential impact of noise and light spill from the LED tennis lights for some local residents were raised by some respondents.
2. Some questions and concerns were raised about parking and increased traffic when the facility is operational.
3. Some concerns were raised about stormwater treatments required to provide suitable flood immunity across the site.
4. A few respondents questioned the proposed tennis court surface (hard court) to be provided at the facility.

WHAT'S NEXT?

Feedback received will be used to help inform the final design.

In coming months, an Estate Development Plan (EDP) Development Application will be submitted, and a final detailed design will be prepared. The EDP Development Application will also include a consultation report that will respond to the concerns raised during the YourSay engagement.

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

Key Timings

September 2020: ACT Government announces proposed tennis facility for Gungahlin.

November 2021: Letter distributed to local residents informing them about the project.

February 2022: A consultant is engaged for planning and preliminary design.

Early 2022: Consultation with key project stakeholders commences (targeted and ongoing consultation).

July 2022: Community engagement commences.

September 2022: What We Heard Report released.

Late 2022: Estate Development Plan Development Application to be lodged.



Late 2022 / Early 2023: Detailed design commences.

2023: A further Development Application will be submitted for the sporting and associated infrastructure to be delivered as part of this project (e.g. tennis courts, sports pavilion).

2023: Construction commences (subject to planning approvals).

2024: Proposed opening of the tennis facility.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FEEDBACK

50

We engaged with 50 people via YourSay.

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We delivered two presentations, to the Gungahlin Community Council and Amaroo School. The presentation was shared with Amaroo School families through the school newsletter.

5,600

We sent letters to 2,800 residents in Moncrief, Jacka and Amaroo twice, to announce the project and to advise of the YourSay website engagement.

26,725

We reached a social media audience of 26,725 and engaged with 1,246 people. 1,037 people viewed web-based articles.

33,284

We reached 33,284 households through delivery, of the July edition of the Our Canberra print publication.