

COMMUNICATIONS

Community Consultation Report

Malabar Ocean Pool Amenities

03 July 2023

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1. Summary

Randwick Council is proposing to build an accessible amenities building for the users of Malabar Ocean Pool and the Coastal Walkway.

Based on community feedback in 2020, the building design and location has been carefully planned to be as compact as possible, preserve the nearby sensitive bushland, and retain views from nearby properties.

The following report outlines the consultation program undertaken to exhibit the concept plans and gather community feedback on the concept design.

The consultation was promoted using digital and social media, mailbox drop, posters onsite and drop-in sessions at the Malabar Pool.

Council received 77 submissions. The majority of submissions received were complimentary of the design and offered suggestions for additional features. There was some concern about the loss of parking, increased congestion, and the safety and cleanliness of the unisex facilities.

There were also submissions opposing the building, concerned that the new amenities would attract more visitors, and the high construction cost.

The design will include elements proposed by the community, such as endemic planting, a drinking fountain, baby change facilities, and external lighting.

2. Community engagement strategy

2.1. Background

Randwick City Council is proposing to build an accessible amenities building for the users of Malabar Ocean Pool and the Coastal Walkway.

Council consulted with the community in 2020 to determine community support for building an amenities facility. People told us they generally supported the idea provided the building was small, sympathetic to the location and environment and minimised view loss. People also said their preferred location was near the car park. We have carefully considered this feedback and responded to it in the concept plan.

2.2. Objectives

The consultation program aimed to test concept designs following stage 1 consultation and gather community feedback to help finalise the design.

2.3. Consultation period

The consultation was open for 4 weeks from 29 May to 9am 26 June 2023.

The project was assessed as having a lower-level local area impact.

IAP2 Consultation level: Consult

We will keep you informed, listen to and acknowledge concerns and aspirations, and provide feedback on how public input influenced the decision.

2.4. Consultation activities

Community engagement activities undertaken:

- Dedicated consultation website to view the plans and make a submission
- Email to Your Say subscribers: 29 May 2023
- Randwick News: Weekly listing during consultation period
- Social media:
- Flyer drop around the suburb of Malabar
- Posters on site
- Drop in sessions: Saturday 17 June 9-11am and Thursday 22 June 8-10am
- Presentation to the Randwick Golf Club: 3 May 2023
- Digital display screens across all Randwick City libraries, Des Renford Leisure Centre and Customer Service Centre
- Listing on Randwick City Council's *Current Consultations* webpage
- Email to all precincts
- Councillor notification

3. Consultation outcomes

The consultation was open 29 May to 9am 26 June 2023.

During this time, the consultation generated:

- 487 visitors to the Your Say Randwick website
- 11 downloads of the concept plan
- 77 submissions

3.1. Submissions

77 submissions were received via Your Say Randwick and email to Council.

A summary of the submissions and the Council's response to the issues or ideas from the submissions can be found in the following Table 1.

No	Issue	Issue addressed or proposal modified	RCC response to issue raised
COMMENTS RE PROJECT IN GENERAL			
1.	The building is unnecessary as there are toilets in Cromwell Park	No	The nearest public toilets are located approximately 650m away. This distance is prohibitive for visitors with mobility issues, incontinence, or small children.
2.	The building is too expensive / money should be used on pool improvements instead	Yes	A construction contractor will be selected through a competitive process and the cost will reflect market rates at the time of construction. Robust materials and stainless-steel fittings are required for a public facility in this location, and to maximise the lifespan of this public asset.

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			Separate funding of \$100,000 has been allocated in RCC's 2023/24 Operational Plan and Budget for Malabar Pool pump works.
3.	The building will impact the local character / lead to commercialisation	No	<p>Provision of appropriate facilities discourages urinating and defecating on the rocks, caters for visitors with small children, incontinence, or mobility issues, and is in line with other ocean pools of this scale in Randwick City.</p> <p>Visitors and locals alike will continue to be able to freely enjoy the coastline.</p>
4.	The building will attract undesirable behaviour / overnight campers	Yes	<p>The facility will be locked overnight in accordance with other facilities of this nature in Randwick City.</p> <p>The cubicle openings are clearly visible from the carpark for passive surveillance.</p>
5.	The building will spoil the view	Yes	<p>The sensitive setting has been carefully addressed using a green roof, recessive colours and enhanced landscaped setting. Views from the surrounding residential properties are not affected. There is limited impact on views from the golf club as the roof height is generally in line with the adjacent putting green.</p> <p>There is no impact to the nearby bushland.</p>
COMMENTS RE LOCATION OR SIZE OF BUILDING			
6.	The building should be directly adjacent to the wall of the practice green behind, without the external pathway	Yes	<p>Locating the building directly adjacent to the practice green wall would impinge on land leased by the Randwick Golf Club, disrupt use of Club facilities during construction, and lose the existing step free access to the Club from the lower carpark.</p> <p>Further, it would prohibit access to reconstruct the retaining wall in the future.</p> <p>The pathway will be landscaped and well lit.</p>
7.	The building should be located on the pedestrian path down to the pool / at the pool itself.	Yes	<p>Previous community consultation in 2020 showed that the majority (37%) preferred the amenities at the carpark level rather than at the pool (21%).</p> <p>A building located on the ramp was investigated in detail. It was found to be prohibitively expensive due to the extensive reshaping of the existing topography required to meet accessibility standards. In addition, major impacts on the existing remnant bushland would result.</p>
COMMENTS RE PARKING ISSUES			

No	Issue	Issue addressed or proposal modified	RCC response to issue raised
8.	Loss of parking means overflow into golf club carpark / surrounding streets	Yes	<p>Parking counts were carried out in April 2022 in planning for the concept proposal. In addition, 76 NearMap aerial images captured between November 2009 and April 2022 were analysed for parking demands.</p> <p>The data showed that the loss of eight parking spaces in the carpark is considered acceptable, as typical demand can be accommodated by on-street parking and in the reduced off-street carpark.</p>
9.	There won't be room for those who need to park due to mobility challenges	Yes	Of the 52 parking spaces in the carpark, four will be designated accessible spaces reserved for those with mobility issues.
10.	Wheel stops are required in the existing carpark to stop cars rolling forward	Yes	The need for wheel stops will be assessed against access and maintenance considerations and installed if these issues cannot be addressed.
11.	Include bollards to separate the road from the new building	Yes	<p>The building surrounds have been designed to separate the users from the adjacent parking area and driveway. This includes the use of kerbs, planter beds, concrete seats and a full height screen.</p> <p>Additional measures will be considered in the detailed design phase and incorporated as appropriate.</p>
12.	Include EV parking	Yes	This will be considered as part of the wider rollout of EV chargers in Randwick City.
REQUESTS FOR FEATURES – EXTERNAL			
13.	Include native plants and flowers for insect habitat / edible plants	Yes	<p>Low level endemic planting contributing to the local ecology is proposed for the green roof.</p> <p>Plant selection will be considered during design development.</p>
14.	Include water catchment for toilet flushing	No	The green roof will capture most of the rainfall, making tanks inefficient for water collection.
15.	Include roof top solar panels	No	<p>Energy usage of the building is anticipated to be modest, with natural light provided through skylights and high-level wall openings, and energy efficient lighting.</p> <p>Priority in this instance is given to green roof planting due to the aesthetic sensitivity of the site.</p>
16.	Include local stormwater improvements	Yes	The area of regraded carpark will be upgraded, including stormwater management. Planted swales may enhance the proposed landscaping. To be considered during detailed design.
17.	Include wayfinding signage	Yes	To be developed during detailed design.

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18.	Include external handwashing sinks	No	External handwashing sinks would require a greater building footprint. Individual sinks within the toilet cubicles are provided.
19.	Include water fountain / outdoor foot washing tap.	Yes	To be considered during detailed design.
20.	Include bike racks	Yes	Three bike racks near the pedestrian ramp to the pool are included in the proposal.
21.	Provide shaded external seating for people waiting to use the facility	Yes	Undercover seating is included in the proposal.
22.	Provide external lighting for security and safety	Yes	External lighting to the building surrounds will be incorporated. To be developed during detailed design
23.	Provide tactile signage for vision impaired	Yes	Tactile indicators and braille signage will be informed by the project's Accessibility consultant
24.	Sandstone should be used for the walls instead	No	The building has been designed for ease of maintenance and to discourage vandalism. Sandstone is highly porous and difficult for removal of graffiti.
25.	Rubbish management	Yes	Appropriate placement of bins and waste collection for the facility will be considered during detailed design
REQUESTS FOR FEATURES – INTERNAL			
26.	Include a baby change table	Yes	A change table is included in the accessible bathroom.
27.	Include children's toilets	No	Inclusion of additional children's toilets would increase the size of the building which is not desired.
28.	Include indoor showers / hot showers / showers in the vicinity of the building	No	Showers are provided at pool level. Inclusion of additional showers will increase the size of the building and are not proposed.
29.	Generous bench space and hooks for change areas	Yes	To be developed during detailed design.
30.	Light and ventilation	Yes	Skylights, screened openings to the top of walls, and full height ventilation slots are proposed.
31.	Cleanliness of the facility	Yes	A cleaners store including high pressure hose for cleaning has been incorporated. Internal materials will be selected for ease of maintenance and suitability for public use.
32.	Provide designated male and female facilities	No	The toilet and change cubicles are proposed to remain as unisex facilities for the greatest efficiency of use within the smallest footprint. These rooms

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			<p>are single occupant only (or parent with child in the change cubicles) and are not shared spaces.</p> <p>Each cubicle is controlled with a locking privacy snib and opens directly to the outside for passive surveillance.</p>

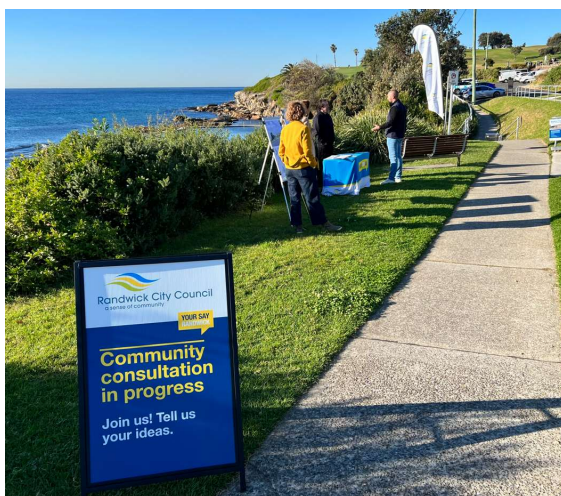
OTHER REQUESTS NOT RELATED TO THE PROJECT

33.	Improvement to the pool area and surrounds including: lighting for morning swimmers, upgraded showers, benches for mobility impaired patrons, awning for weather protection, steps from the pool edge into the ocean for bay swimmers, underground power lines	To be considered in future pool upgrades.
34.	Improving ramp access at Malabar Beach, include shower/tap for bay swimmers at the boat ramp, enhanced marine protection for the bay	To be considered in future wider upgrade works.
35.	Rectification of the pool coping / new pool pump	These projects are currently being planned by Council for delivery in the 2023/24 Financial Year.
36.	Include a community library box	Street libraries are community-led initiatives and are not provided by RCC.
37.	Provision of interpretive signage re Malabar history, Aboriginal significance, Coastal Walk distances	To be considered as part of the broader Coastal Walk wayfinding strategy.

3.2. Drop in sessions

Two drop-in sessions were held near the Malabar Ocean Pool on Saturday 17 June, 9-11am and Thursday 22 June, 8-10am. The purpose was to provide a face-to-face opportunity for interested community members to speak directly with Council staff and the architects from Sam Crawford Architects to learn more about the project. Submissions were not captured directly at the sessions. Attendees keen to make a submission were encouraged to do so via the Your Say Randwick website. Table 2 lists the outcomes from the two drop in sessions.

Pop up session	Number of attendees	Summary of comments
Saturday 17 June 9-11am	23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concerned about the cost Misunderstood the unisex toilets, thought they were shared Will attract too many people and create a negative experience Good for parents and older people Concerned about the pool pump – fix as a priority Questions about unisex toilets
Thursday 22 June 8-10am	15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building should be invisible. Make it like the toilet at Little Bay. Find a different location – such as at pool level. As a regular local swimmer, don't really want a toilet, goes home to shower No need for it, it's only locals swimming. Spend money on the pool surrounds/edge instead. Clean the weed from the bottom of the pool. An amenities is just catering to the weekend crowd As a local swimmer, very happy with the plans. Will stop people defecating on the rocks, especially in summer Agree with comments above. Building should be non-obtrusive Good that the building blends in Disabled resident - Malabar pool is great for access, especially going from the pool into the ocean. Plans look good – please ensure easy access from toilet to the pool Upset that so many people wrote in opposing the amenities and were ignored



Images: Drop in session 17 June 2023

3.3. Social Media



Facebook posts:

Date	Reach	Engagement rate*	Reactions
30 May	22, 394	7.77%	164
16 June	1,677	1.13%	9



Instagram:

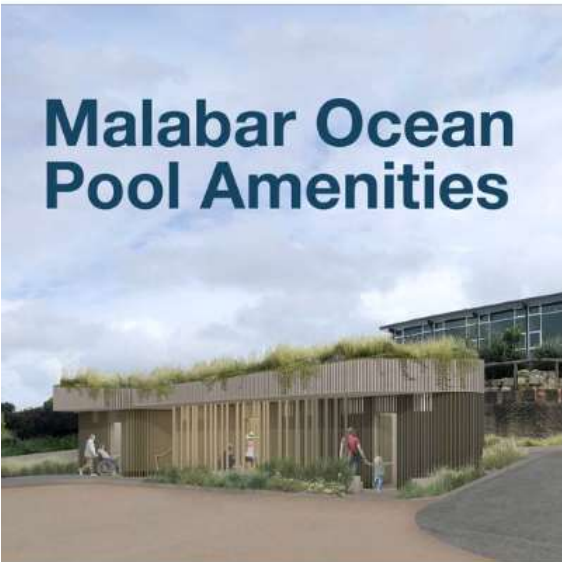
Date	Reach	Engagement rate*	Likes
30 May	3612	3.35%	113
16 June	1360	1.76%	23

*Engagement rate refers to any action taken on the post (such as reactions, comments, shares, photo views or clicking on a link). Most social media marketing experts agree that a good engagement rate is between 1% and 5%.

Facebook comments:

 **Randwick City Council**
30 May · 🌐

We're seeking feedback on a concept plan to build amenities at Malabar Ocean Pool, which will feature toilets and changing cubicles. Find all the details on Randwick Council's Your Say website. We can't wait to hear your thoughts!



Malabar Ocean Pool Amenities

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👍 Like 💬 Comment

 **Andrew McGregor**
Waste of money, not being built for regulars and locals, catering to people who will camp their on weekends and leave all their garbage behind. Spend the money on fixing the pool properly not the half assed attempts over the years.
4 w 👍❤️ 10

 **Liz Herbert**
Worry it'll end up like Coogee's Wilies or Ladies pools. Once amenities go in, next come fences, gates, entry fees, closing hours, Freedoms are lost.
4 w 👍❤️ 6

 **Randwick City Council**
Liz Herbert there's no plan for any of those things. As a comparison Mahon Pool has toilets and change rooms but is still free and no fence.
4 w 👍❤️ 7

➦ View 4 more replies

 **Andy Holloway**
Looks great Randwick City Council keep up the good work around the area. 🙌😊👍
4 w 👍❤️ 1

 **David Habler**
How about a reliable pump to keep the water clean?
4 w 👍❤️ 7

 **Randwick City Council**
David Habler hi David, we've budgeted for a full pump replacement in next year's budget. This will resolve the ongoing issues we've been having with the current pump.
4 w 👍❤️ 14

-  **Jean Howes**
We need to keep all available parking. Spend the money on maintenance of the pool
4 w  4
↳ 1 reply
-  **Dimitry Holt**
Warm showers for the homeless please so many living in car's now.
4 w    7
-  **Liz Walden**
Warm showers would be nice in winter
4 w  5
-  **Marika Marika**
wow the place just might become civilised. So glad that smell of poo is gone didn't see anyone complain about that. Seems some people miss it.
4 w
-  **Elle Allsop-Jones**
Yes please 100%, a baby change & cubicle big enough to take a pram in, currently if you need to go yourself with a baby you have to block cubicles off & leave door open
4 w  4
-  **Stuart Thomas**
amen jean keep her clean raise the water level its so shallow heaps
4 w 
-  **Andrew Mort**
Great make the parking a bigger problem and make the traffic even worse
4 w   5
-  **Anna Mantchakidi**
Reduce parking, add to congestion. Who really benefits? Locals who come and go regularly or visitors who come and just sit and don't get in the water? This is daft.
Little Bay is impassable in summer. La Perouse is a nightmare. Come summer, it's like ... See more
-  **Dale Tollis**
Cost?????
4 w 
↳ 11 replies
-  **Prudence Law**
Yes 
4 w
-  **India Evans**
DO IT 
4 w
-  **Tracey Ayton**
Chris Deans 
-  **Troy Longworth**
Wow looks amazing
4 w
-  **Adam Vella**
Albert Vella
4 w
-  **Colette Boraso**
Nicole Goodwin
4 w
-  **Kylie Ramanardi**
Natalie Emma
4 w
-  **Rachel Mary Vecchio-Ruggeri**
Christine Bevan
4 w
-  **Paul Amatto**
Why not everywhere else got them
4 w
-  **Mark O'Sullivan**
Does it have solar powered hot showers?
3 w 

-  **Jason Hayes**
Not required in my opinion. What is required though, are more Rangers patrolling the local parks and streets to combat waste throughout the beaches in the municipality.
2 w
-  **Ian Gordon**
Hope it's built better than the relatively recent installation at Mahon Pool.
4 w  3
↳ 6 replies
-  **James O'Connell**
 Build some toilets at the park in Little Bay too whilst you're at it please.
4 w  4
-  **Gita Irwin**
Warm showers  for winter & decent toilets  with toilet seats
4 w
-  **Chaline Taylor**
Well overdue and while you're at it, perhaps consider a toilet near the playground for the little ones please!
4 w
-  **Matty Rubes**
Little Bay first, then yes. 
-  **Stuart Thomas**
progress is great but the love of this pool is that its untouched we just got new bench seats thats enough for me. do we really need the drama its perfect,
4 w
-  **Kerryn Briody**
Wow, amazing and most needed down there... 
-  **Pat Rick**
Absolutely not there are showers there already
4 w
-  **Maddison Scott**
Jake Allen
4 w
-  **Chana McLallen**
Would the block be up on carpark side or actually down by the pool? Interested to know the placement & ensure poolside footprint isn't lost.
4 w
-  **Author**
Randwick City Council
Chana McLallen Hi Chana, The location is in the carpark - here is a link to the yoursay page with more specific information. Malabar Pool Amenities | Your Say Randwick (nsw.gov.au)
4 w 
-  **Mackenzie Hastings**
Zoe Rosalind Ando omg solving all our problems
4 w
-  **Dennis Romaniuk**
Geoff Williams the beginning of the end
4 w
↳ 1 reply
-  **Dimitry Holt**
We hope Ian for 2 million unisex toilets and change rooms. Paedophiles dream
4 w 
-  **Richard Broniman**
How long before the yobbos throw the rolls into and around the pool?
4 w 
-  **Top fan**
Talina Cruz
  
4 w

4. Community engagement material

4.1. Onsite poster



Malabar Ocean Pool Amenities

HAVE YOUR SAY

View the plans and have your say
yoursay.randwick.nsw.gov.au

Consultation period:
29 May – 27 June 2023

Drop in sessions
Want to find out more?
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Artist impression of new amenities building located in the car park.

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- Two unisex toilets
- Two unisex change cubicles
- One fully accessible toilet/change area
- Regraded car park section and shared car/people zone
- New landscaping, seating and bike racks

Responding to community feedback

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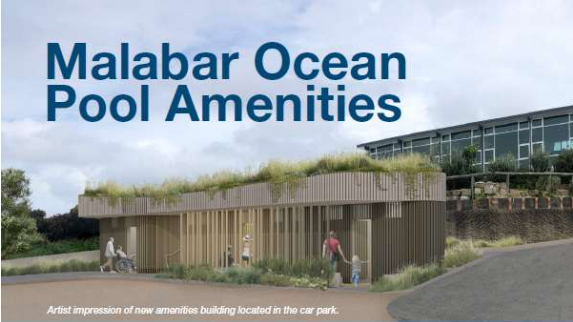
Malabar Ocean Pool was built in the 1890s and used until the 1970s when it was closed due to poor water quality in Malabar Bay. Following substantial efforts to clean up the bay and improve water quality, the pool reopened in 1997. Council first proposed building toilets near the pool in the 1984 Plan of Management. The ocean pool is one of the very few ocean pools with ramp access ideal for people with a disability, older people or for injury recovery. It's used year round and highly valued by locals and visitors.

Legend:

- Change room
- Unisex toilet
- Accessible toilet/change room

Malabar Ocean Pool, Photo circa 1888-1891.

4.2. Double-sided flyer



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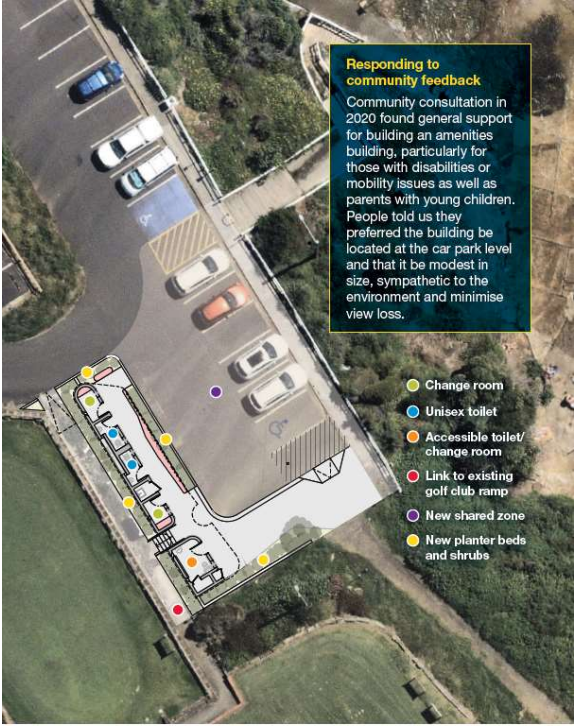
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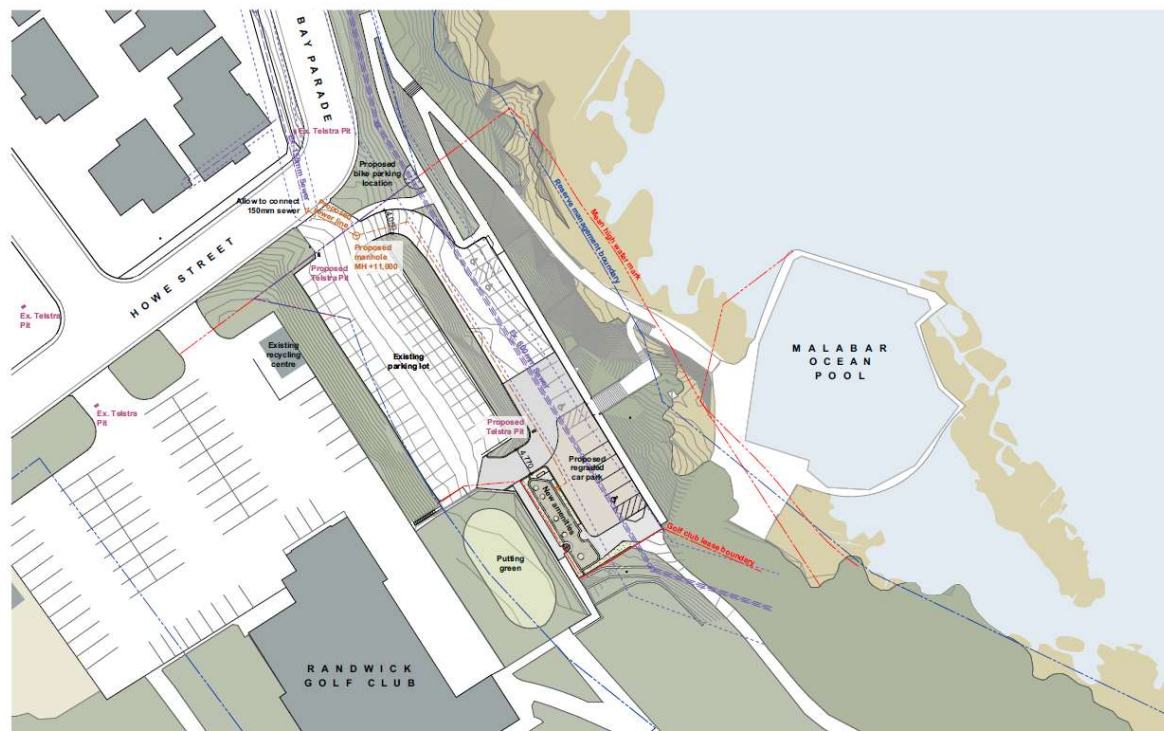


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- Accessible toilet/change room
- Link to existing golf club ramp
- New shared zone
- New planter beds and shrubs

4.3. Concept plans on Your Say Randwick



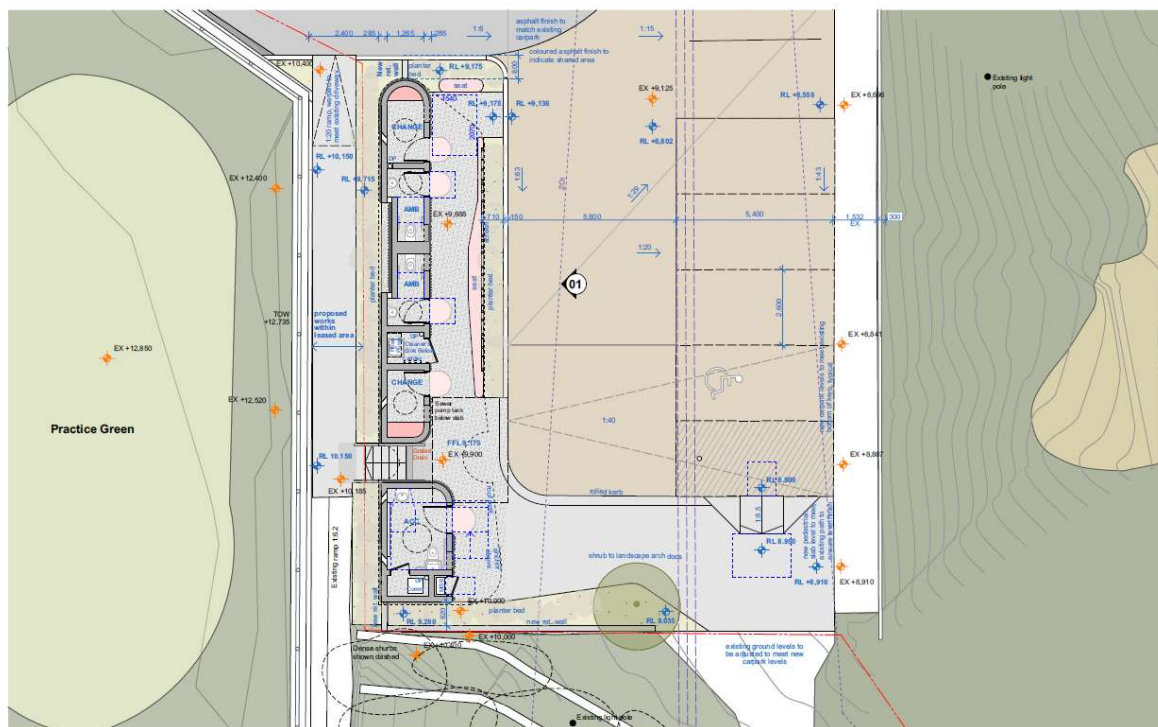
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proposed ground plan 1:100

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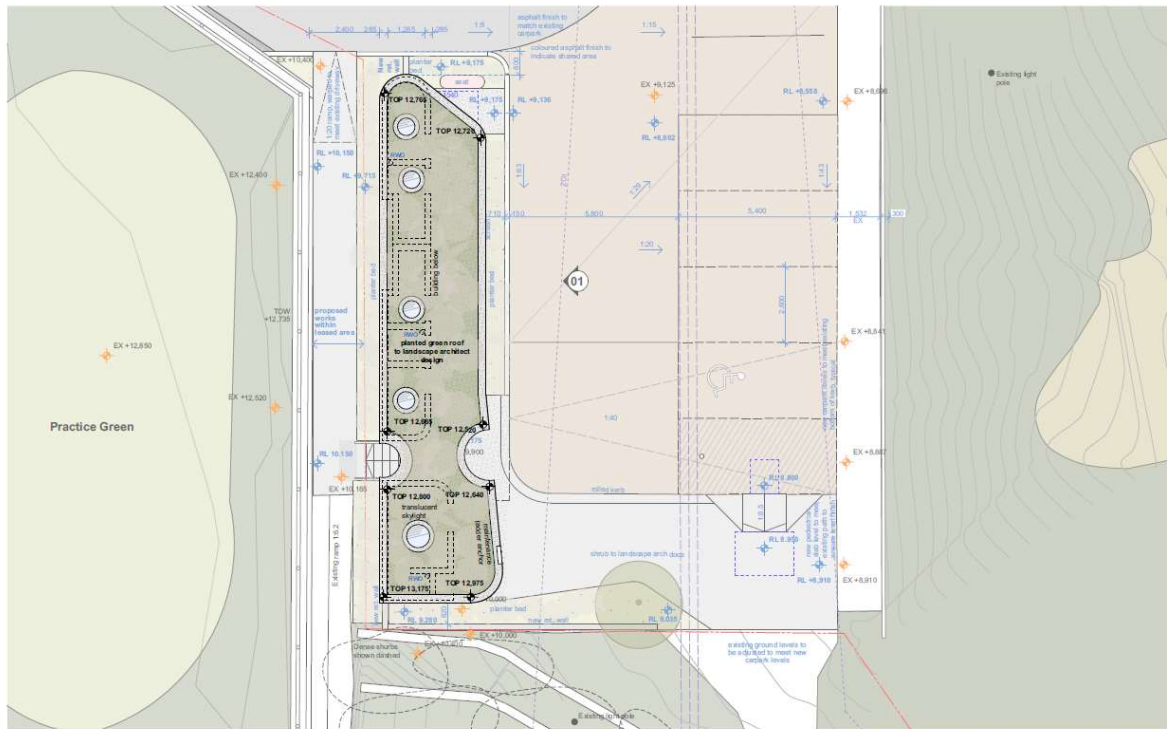
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ACC	Accessible
AMB	Ambulant cubicle
CHANGE	Change cubicle
EX	Existing
RET	Retaining
ZOI	Zone of influence

 Proposed RL
 Existing RL
 Compliance areas

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proposed roof plan 1:100

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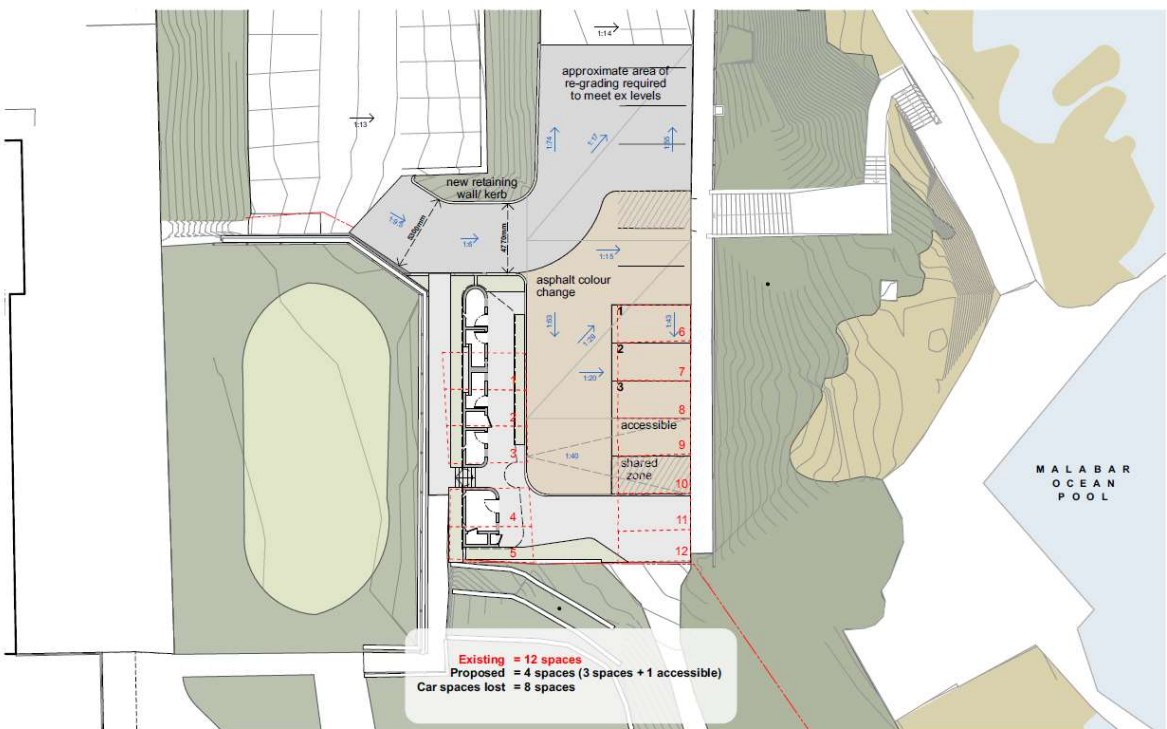
Not for Construction

ACC Accessible
AMB Ambulant
CHANGE Change outside
EX Existing
RET Retaining
ZOI Zone of Influence

Proposed RL
Existing RL
TOP Top of Pavement RL

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proposed carpark arrangement

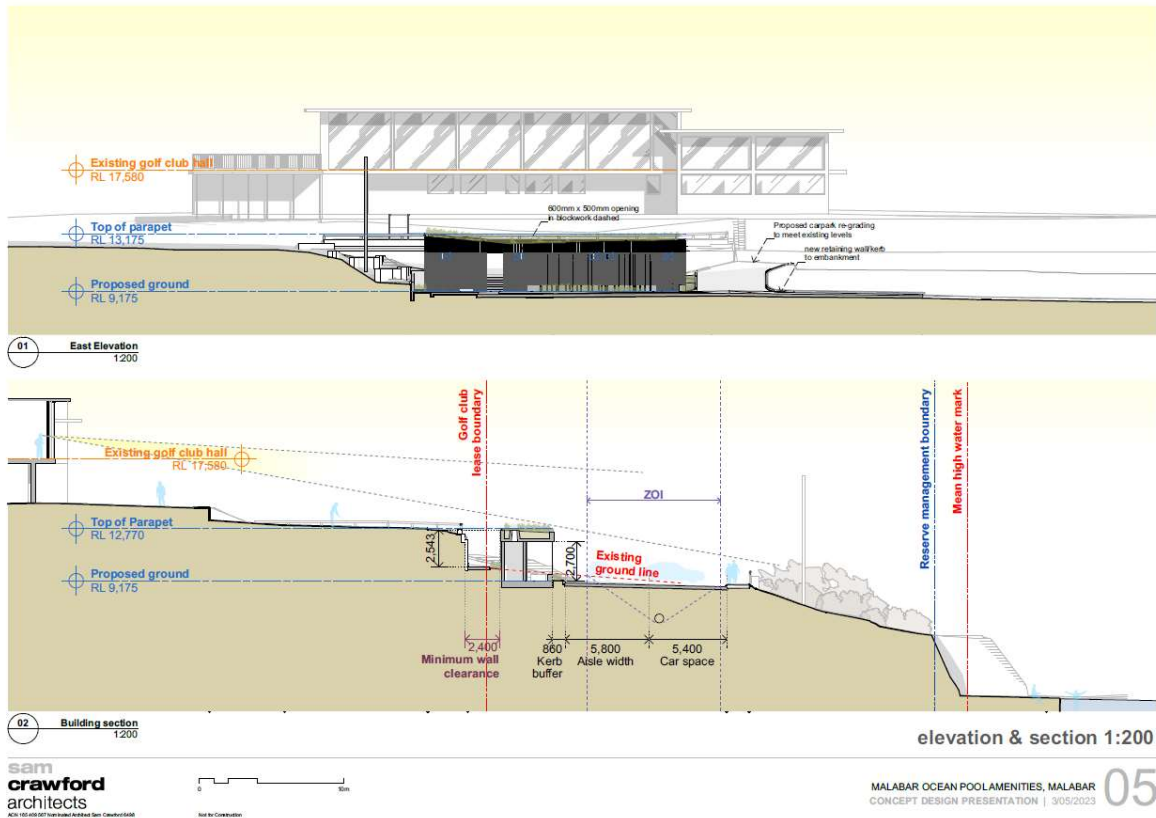
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Removed Carspace
Approximate area of regrading
Proposed Gradient Falls

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04





view from north east

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Architects & Planners since 1988

Not for Construction

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07

A. Submissions

	Submissions	Suburb
1	As a Malabar local and user of the pool, I am not in favour of the proposed amenities. There are adequate amenities in terms of toilets etc nearby at Malabar Beach and the existing shower near the pool is adequate. Not only does the proposed amenities block look grossly out of place in its size and appearance, but it will rob the pool of probably 8 car spaces. These car parks are often used by elderly residents who have to drive to the pool. Lack of parking would force them to find a park in the golf club car park and then have to walk down a slope; a risky undertaking for the elderly. Falls are likely. I also understand that the project has been costed at \$2.5 million. That is a huge amount of money for toilets, showers and a change room. I consider such expenditure shameful and I trust that the council will not proceed with this proposal. It is not necessary and a waste of our rates.	Malabar
2	I love the idea and concept. I am concerned about parking as a resident. It is almost impossible as it is in summer. I am concerned this encourages more people from out of area, to come and stay for long periods due to unrestricted unmonitored parking	Malabar
3	Can we please add baby change facilities so parents can attend to babies in nappies?	Randwick
4	Looks OK to me but what is more urgent is lighting to the lower pool area for early morning swimmers where they currently get changed & leave their belongings.	Maroubra
5	It's possibly a bigger footprint than I'd expected but minimal and discrete is good. I encourage you to think about post completion maintenance or even incorporating pre-emptively into the landscaping work as the area where the building is intended to sit gets covered in litter (maybe blown in from the nearby earn and return container) and the bush beyond the carpark fence-line is frankly a disgrace with litter blown into it - and ultimately the ocean - my casual observation being blown in from carless users of the car park. Good planning of the fence (tight meshed perhaps) and better placement of bins may help.	Malabar
6	I like it! Love the green roof. Can we include a safe access steps into the ocean from the pool while doing the work. Lots of people want to swim in the bay near the pool but it's precarious getting in. This could be relatively simple concrete structure off the pool wall.	Maroubra
7	We do not need these amenities especially at the ridiculous cost of \$2.1m! Waste of taxpayers money!	Malabar

	Submissions	Suburb
8	Waste of money and time. This will only cater to people outside of the local community and not the local community members that use the pool. adding a facility like this and taking away parking will add more congestion to the already narrow streets in the area	Matraville
9	Sounds fabulous!	Maroubra
10	Very well designed building	South Coogee
11	I have a problem with the unisex toilets and changing rooms, I will not let my grandchildren go into them alone and nor will I.	Chifley
12	Please leave this lovely pool alone. Once 'amenities' are built, next comes fences. After fences comes entry fees. After fees comes restricted hours. Coogee Ladies Pool has been ruined this way. Please don't let Malabar end up the same way.	Coogee
13	The plan successfully serves the needs of the users of the Malabar Pool while having an acceptable impact on aesthetics, the environment and the views. Thank you.	Malabar
14	Toilets are needed at Malabar pool. Patrons will need to be directed to the facilities (from the pool)	Malabar
15	It is long overdue to create facilities here so I am very supportive of the plans.	Matraville
16	You have selected the best possible location for this building. Loss of car spaces is a negative but a small price to pay for this solution. It is something that has been needed for a long period of time for this generally very safe ocean pool. The design concept is compact but creative and not intrusive for nearby buildings and activities. Congratulations.	Maroubra
17	Not at all happy with 8 car spots being taken away. Summer months can be quite busy and parking difficult. This will make the pool inaccessible to those who need to park but can't. The amenities block is an unnecessary luxury - it is oversized and overpriced. If council insist on toilets then one unisex disability toilet would suffice significantly reducing cost and saving car spots. There are other more pressing needs including coping that stays put, a pump that is fully operational, benches that are suitable for mobility impaired patrons - the current replacements being too low, wheel stops to prevent cars crashing into the fence and worse over the embankments - 5 to date! A \$ 2.15 m amenities block is an insult to users and an obscene Amount of money for something many pool users simply don't want. Councillors who voted in favour of the amenities block are not local to the ward and don't use the facility. It is merely a show pony for those councillors to show they are giving money to this ward whether it's something we want or not we are clearly getting it.	Little Bay

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18	I have always seen the need for it and the concept looks fine to me. The carpark area below the golf putting practice platform was damp and poorly graded so this is an ideal position to upgrade.	Malabar
19	'Love it! And the fact that: - it won't come at an expense of nature, great idea to reclaim the car park to regenerate the space - it will include bike racks, so that we don't need to use poles to lock our bikes! - I'd like to see the roof utilised for native plants/flowers which could provide habitat for bees and insects Great idea!	Kingsford
20	Great plans. Some suggestions: 1. It would be wonderful for the sinks to be open air (like both Coogee amenities) so we have an ocean view when we wash our hands. 2. It would be great to have a recycling bin, FOGO bin, and rubbish bin. 3. The green roof for both habitat and carbon footprint reduction is excellent. Yay! 4. Very happy about the bike racks. Thank you! 5. Would be awesome if the native flora landscaping includes edibles for both people and fauna. Indigrow could help with this. Also, flowering flora would be wonderful. 6. Also, this is separate but related: the work done to fix up Malabar Pool's surfaces has been done very poorly and broke off in chunks almost immediately after it was done this last time. This has created rubbish and safety issues inside and out of the pool. It would be nice if this was done well next time. It feels like Malabar Pool is treated as second rate to the other Randwick pools with its current conditions.	Maroubra
21	The plans all look fabulous. A well designed, discreet, much needed & long awaited amenities block....well done.	Maroubra
22	This is well needed	Maroubra
23	Plans look good for a much needed facility. I am a regular user of the pool and believe this will make it more accessible for others. The car park needs attention as it is looking neglected. If the coastal walk is extended as I believe is the plan this will increase its use. Is there a water fountain or point to fill water bottles?	Malabar
24	I see the the plan is to put in unisex bathrooms. Please put in a family change room/bathroom so that parents with small children can dress their children privately and that women who have been subject to violence have a safe place to change and feel comfortable using the facility. A family change room can also be used by women of muslim faith who are unable to use a unisex bathroom. Inclusivity should not come at the expense of safety and respect for others' religions and cultures.	Maroubra

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25	Great to see this coming to fruition and the design and concept look fantastic. My only concern is the high potential for lack of safety and cleanliness with the unisex toilets. Perhaps instead of two unisex toilets there could be 1 x unisex, 1 x female and 1 x male toilets. I appreciate this could be tricky given the space constraints. Lastly, I couldn't see on the info webpage the projected date for completion? Thanks	Maroubra
26	No, no, no!! This is a terrible idea, the Council has already spent a lot of money on the last upgrade of amenities and they look great, although they are not even used much. I use the pool every day and can see that not many people use existing amenities. This project of additional amenities will be a waste of space and waste of public money , it is not needed. There are sufficient facilities at the moment in the current set up, what a terrible waste of money if it goes ahead, I hope common sense and public good can prevail!!!	Maroubra
27	I want the project to be abandoned. It is a waste of ratepayers money and will encourage undesirable behaviour in the area.	Malabar
28	Looks great!	Maroubra
29	I like that the design has plants on the roof and is an unobtrusive colour. When the bathrooms were put at Mahon pool, banksia trees and other larger shrubs were left to die / didn't have protection surrounding them. It would be great that this endemic species is used and protected in Malabar.	Eastlakes
30	I believe this is not need, it will spoil the view and damage the authenticity of the place	Malabar
31	There are not that many car parks there as it is so losing 8 spots is quite a big deal for the people who use the pool every weekend. Also, the money should be spent on fixing the pool itself, that is way more important to the people!	Malabar
32	Great idea. Will benefit the local community. Love the plan and design.	Malabar
33	Lovely the idea. But unless you have an alternative for car spots as from October when the weather heats up you can't move. Removing more car spots would be ridiculous and eventually having an impact on Randwick golf course car park. The area is slowly getting recognised as a beautiful beach/pool, and with brand you amenities I think it would give good character and be helpful to everyone especially elderly who I swim with daily as limited showers and nil toilets at the moment.	Chifley
34	You should have female and male facility. Not Unisex.	Matraville

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35	<p>No toilets. Waste of money and invitation for a lot of plastic pollution in the water.</p> <p>Totally excessive cost. Use local materials like sandstone if you are going to build something pleasing to the eye.</p> <p>No room for all the extra incoming toilet user vehicles in the car park.</p> <p>A magnet for overnight campers with a toilet.</p> <p>Build a bicycle rack at least for the current bicycle users like myself.</p> <p>Put disabled parking and a sensible ramp to access the path (away from the stairs).</p> <p>My son died before anything became accessible to the pool, from the car park, even though there was a ramp at the top of the stairs it was always blocked off by a priest who used to park there and block the access for a wheelchair.</p> <p>It is also dangerous to have a ramp directly at the top of the stairs for wheelchair users.</p> <p>The toilet amenities block is just going to bring thousands more people in an already inundated and unfortunately gentrified Malabar.</p>	Matraville
36	Why only unisex toilets? Shouldn't some be for women only, in the name of safety and hygiene?	Maroubra
37	There should be showers as well just like Maroubra. If you're going to the trouble to build this, do it right just like Mahon pool.	Phillip Bay
38	Awesome and much needed!!!!	Matraville
39	<p>Looks really good.</p> <p>??? My question is, are there going to be baby change facilities within the toilets or change rooms? This is very important for being around the pool.</p>	Malabar
40	The plans look absolutely great. Thankyou	Matraville
41	<p>Not needed. I am disabled and this is the only ocean pool I can access.</p> <p>Maintaining what is there should be the priority.</p> <p>Change rooms etc would only encourage users to remain in the very limited space at the pool.</p> <p>I have had days when I have been unable to park my wheelchair.</p>	Kensington
42	Unnecessary, please don't.	Malabar
43	<p>This is a lovely and welcome addition!!! Thank you so much for prioritizing this project! My comments are limited to two suggestions. First, that area desperately needs a bubbler/drinking water station. I was at the pool today and the only place to get drinking water was the foot wash area of the outdoor shower. Second, a place for a little community free library box (such as is at Mahon Pool) would be delightful. By the way, the existing design is wonderful. VERY EXCITED about the green roof!!!! WELL DONE!!!</p>	Maroubra

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44	Looks good, EXCEPT male toilet and femail toilet, please. Not fair to share; we need sexual segmentation in sensitive areas, and men are more prone to leave pee on oilet sets where women need to sit (and I am a man, but I think this is discourteous especially to women and girls).	Little Bay
45	Can you install childrens smaller toilets as well like at day care centres. Many small kids will use that pool. Its added difficulty for parents when kids need to use adult toilets.	Matraville
46	'Generally supported. Please consider - adding an outdoor shower and tap (foot washing) to the building otherwise the hand washing area will be used instead. - as substantial regrading and ground works are required, using the opportunity to replace out the cables to the existing lightpoles underground	Coogee
47	I like the amenities proposal -- some semi-private outdoor showers would also be good, so a group of swimmers could get out of the pool at the same time without having to wait 1x1 or 2x1 to cycle through the private unisex cubicle. An option for a paid shower would also be nice to have hot water. Would also assist to have a parking management proposal that shows how van life campers will be moved on if they are using this area for overnight camping.	Coogee

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48	<p>'Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed Malabar Ocean Pool Amenities.</p> <p>I am a local resident and regular user of the pool. I have also had experience working as a swimming pool lifeguard and working with petrol stations, design and management. Both of these environments gave me first-hand experience of public use of toilet / changeroom facilities.</p> <p>Based on my observations of the pool use and my experience with public amenities I would like to make the following comments on the proposed design:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - in general the design looks good, is well positioned on the site and in keeping with the principles - my key concern is in relation to the provision of the limited number of unisex toilets. From experience (as above) this disadvantages women with unisex toilets experiencing a poorer level of cleanliness when used in conjunction with men. - my suggestion would be to configure one of the proposed change rooms to be a male toilet with a toilet plus urinal facility so that larger volumes of men can use the facility quickly and there is less pressure and cleaning required on the women's/ unisex facility. I would recommend that one of the unisex toilets is then nominated for women - ie a male toilet + urinal, a womens toilet, a unisex toilet and the combined unisex changing / toilet. I do not think the reduction in changing space will cause an issue as all pool goers currently appear to change on the poolside without issue. - I believe the current design would need a high degree of maintenance/cleaning based on the experience of unisex toilets in multiple petrol stations over a number of years. <p>Thank you for your consideration of this suggestion and for your continued good work in Randwick - I am proud to be a resident.</p>	Malabar
49	<p>I fully support this submission, as these facilities are needed at the site. I use this great pool regularly. The design is sympathetic to the site.</p>	Malabar

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50	<p>I'd like to register my support for the proposed amenities building at Malabar pool.</p> <p>I was part of the original consultation workshops which recorded the 70% support and developed the design parameters.</p> <p>It's a much needed amenity, particularly for less mobile people, elderly and mothers with small children.</p> <p>The pool is designed for mobility restricted users but as there are no toilets it discourages use.</p> <p>The golf club toilets are restricted and are usually locked on weekends worsening the issue for weekend pool users and increasing the instances of people relieving themselves in the pool and surrounds and the rock platform. The back corner of the pool deck is strong smell with urine.</p> <p>There is a lot of support for the facility locally in disagreement with the small group who generated the petition on somewhat unsubstantiated grounds, the instances of people with tents publicised were due to the annual collection of sea urchin during summer around the king tides an increase in monitoring by council will address that issue easily.</p> <p>Reviewing the comments on post Facebook Malabar, Gods country group and Malabar Community page there is good range of support as opposed to negative feedback (repeated) by small group.</p> <p>The costs are for council to weigh as it seems commensurate with other improvements and should not be a determining factor.</p> <p>Maintenance and a cleaning schedule should be a priority but noted the toilets at Cromwell park are regularly maintained and the local crew do a great job.</p> <p>Great design, functional and the location is practical, accessible.</p> <p>Great work, let's make it happen.</p>	Malabar
51	<p>Lovely design & concept but am wondering if it needs to be this big. I don't think change rooms are necessary as most people dress at the pool anyway rather than walking up to a building. Perhaps this could save some money to use to install a better shower system down at the pool and some type of awning/ weather protection where clothes etc could be kept dry for those of us who swim year round- hail, rain or shine. As an older female I HATE unisex toilets- males & females have different needs when using toilets and I would rather line up for the Ladies than share the space with males. I would not want my granddaughters entering a toilet as a male exits. Eliminate a change room and make two female toilets instead if need be.</p>	Malabar
52	<p>Its perfect!!! Love it!</p>	Malabar

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53	<p>Based on the information provided it looks like an excellent amenities concept plan with appropriate inclusions which I anticipate will be compliant with the relevant access and inclusion standards for people with disability and the general community including people with vision impairment or blind, and children. However, I would like to propose the following suggestions for consideration:</p> <p>Accessible seating is required outside of the toilets, either directly in front or on the eastern side as there may be people, particular people with disability, waiting to use the accessible toilets if they are occupied.</p> <p>The accessible seating area should also have some shade particularly if waiting on a hot day or if it is inclement weather.</p> <p>There should be appropriate external lighting provided around the amenities, and possibly around the car park, however, if around the car park it should not obstruct any viewing from the golf club surrounding properties. Possibly the use of 1 m high lampposts strategically located around the perimeter of the car park to provide adequate lighting for people arriving/accepting the car park should also assist with safety and security.</p> <p>If possible, all of the lighting should be provided using solar power.</p> <p>Appropriate tactile signage for people with vision impairment or blind should be provided in and around the amenities.</p> <p>If possible, utilise the roof catchment to collect rainwater to be stored in an underground rainwater tank to be plumbed into the toilet system.</p> <p>And to future proof the amenity I would like to suggest that electric vehicle (EV) charging stations be installed or possibly the electrical infrastructure be included beneath the car park surface so that EV charging stations can be included in the future without the need to be up the car park bitumen.</p> <p>Appropriate waste disposal facilities could be installed in the area.</p> <p>And maybe some historical information about Malabar and the adjacent areas could be provided on appropriately designed signage including information about the history and significance of the area for aboriginal people, shipwrecks, the history of the rock pool and a site plan showing "you are here" and the location of the Coastal Walk including the distances as the distances will assist people when planning to access the area, especially people with mobility disability or other health and/or medical conditions.</p>	Banksmeadow

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54	By constructing a full scaled set of facilities, the natural feel and reason people love the local rock pool will be taken away. The natural ambience will be gone and will open additional general congestion to the area.	Chifley
55	The design looks quite good, although should it be built into the wall behind so its one continuous piece with no dead space between? In regards to unisex bathrooms, my recommendation would be to have separate male and female amenities. Not unisex. Changing small children and also taking them to the bathrooms, the preference is not to use unisex facilities. Perhaps add one additional unisex bathroom if really necessary.	Matraville
56	Overwhelming majority 90plus per cent dont want this amenity that I have spoken to. Both local members of parliament can confirm this as well as local relevant councillors.Pool has a natural flow with its usage _ only a small area _people stay for a limited time . amenities would create the opposite.I implore you to listen to the majority and cancel this project	Malabar
57	I think it's long overdue.	South Sydney
58	I highly support the need for amenities near the ocean pool. I have an elderly father that uses the ramp and enjoys the view, but is limited due to his incontinence. I love the design and location, it'll be a win for Malabar if they were implemented.	Malabar
59	I oppose the proposal of unisex change rooms.	Malabar
60	I am a visitor to Randwick City in that I frequently swim at Mahon Pool in Maroubra and Malabar Pool. My comments derive from using the women's amenities only. I generally support the concept of an amenities block at Malabar Pool but write this to please ask Council not to mess it up as they did with the revamped Mahon Pool amenities block. The removal of a communal ladies changing space at Mahon was and remains a bad planning decision. There is nowhere to change in or out of swimming gear at Mahon women's amenities except in a shower cubicle (often wet) or a toilet cubicle (cramped and smelly), and there are no benches or hooks to speak of, just a damp floor to put clothes and other things on, not to mention also that showers are for showering and toilets are for toileting, not for getting changed. The general approach to the Malabar pool amenities seems to be an improvement on Mahon, with some change space laid out, but I would entreat Council to consider largish changing areas (enough for a parent and a couple of children for example), and with generous bench space and hooks.	Darlinghurst

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61	<p>Make the change rooms bigger & provide more sunlight light even if filtered - the coogee change rooms on the beach level next to the lifeguards room is a good example of a positive amenity.</p> <p>Do not let these amenities turn out like the ones at Mahon rock pool as they are dark, tiny and cramped toilets & showers which discourage use. I know many females who actively avoid them because they are so off putting. As a male I don't like them but put up with them as there is no where to go.</p> <p>Don't let Malabar Pool become like Mahon's Pool. Don't even use the same designer or build company.</p>	Kingsford
62	<p>I am a regular user of the Malabar Ocean Pool.</p> <p>I support the construction of toilet facilities and change rooms.</p> <p>I agree with the proposed location of the building.</p> <p>I am in general agreement with the design.</p> <p>I suggest that a drinking fountain be included in the design. Located to the front and centre of building.</p> <p>If showers are not included in the change rooms then there should be either or both, an upgrade to the showers at the pool deck or external showers to the side of the proposed building.</p>	Malabar
63	<p>I am writing to express my concerns about the new amenities block at Malabar Beach. I believe that this block is unnecessary and will pose a number of safety risks.</p> <p>Firstly, the unisex toilets are a major concern. These toilets are a prime target for sexual assault, and I believe that they will make Malabar Beach a less safe place for women and children.</p> <p>Secondly, the design of the block is poor. Amenities block at Mahon Pool is poorly built and smells unpleasant. I am concerned that this will lead to increased litter and graffiti in the area.</p> <p>Thirdly, the fish population in the bay is declining due to spearfishing. This is a dangerous activity, and it is putting swimmers and nippers at risk. I believe that Malabar Beach should be declared a marine park to protect the fish and other marine life.</p> <p>The existing toilet block at the beach is sufficient enough. It simply needs to be cleaned and maintained more regularly. I do not understand why the council is building a new block when the old one is still perfectly usable.</p> <p>I have lived in Malabar all my life, and I am proud of our community. We are a caring and respectful community, and I believe that we should do everything we can to protect our beach AND fix THE POOL.</p> <p>I urge you to reconsider the decision to build the new amenities block. I believe that it is unnecessary and will pose a number of safety risks.</p>	Malabar

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	<p>Additional points:</p> <p>The ramp that was recently installed for wheelchair users is not suitable for its intended purpose. It is used for pram Parking not well-maintained.</p> <p>I would like to see the council work with the golf club to allow people to use their facilities. This would provide much-needed additional amenities for visitors to Malabar Beach.</p> <p>I hope that you will take my concerns into consideration. Thank you again for your time.</p>	
64	<p>It's a must have Amenities Block and as long as Air flows exist I will be happy. Concept drawing fantastic.</p> <p>Bring it on. My husband [name retracted] who was on the Malabar Plan of Management 1994 fought to retain the pool and was supported by [name retracted] thought then an amenity block was required.</p>	Malabar
65	Yes, great! Long overdue!.	Unknown
66	<p>Great design and plans peeps!</p> <p>Well done!</p> <p>Suggest bright yellow bollards along edge of road and the amenities block.</p>	Unknown
67	Will there be hot showers available. Can be heated by solar.	Unknown
68	Don't need, walk to toilets and showers on beach.3 minutes.	Unknown
69	<p>Thank you for your email regarding Maroubra Pool Amenities.</p> <p>This is a great, much needed project. I realise that after consultation in 2020, the building design and location needs to be as compact as possible to preserve bushland and views. My concern is the unisex change rooms. Two unisex change cubicles:</p> <p>Will this work, when one of the cuticles is a fully accessible toilet/change room. I believe this may cause unnecessary delays.</p> <p>I hope you will take this in consideration before any project begins.</p>	Unknown
70	Looks good ! Well done Randwick Council.	Unknown
71	<p>Must be locked up in the evening and opened again in the morning.</p> <p>Yes?</p>	Unknown

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72	<p>I totally disagree with this plan It's toilets for the pool, not the car park. I understand you are looking to the future for the walking trail. But the ammenities are meant for the pool. To walk that far while you are at pool people will go in still go in the water . It should be situated halfway down to the pool . Easy to get to from the pool</p> <p>Flat concrete roof on top ,perfect viewing spot. I'm an old person, swam in this pool for over 70yrs Have thought a lot about this Please don't muck it up like you did when you Did when you did the pool up last time</p> <p>P.s. No loss of car spaces, which are at premium in summer</p>	Unknown
73	<p>I'll I can say is - about time!!! Ive been living in Sydney for ten years and go to coastal walks. 10 years too late. Recently I did a walk there and had to go in to the bushes when nature called...but what about if someone needed to poo.</p>	Unknown
74	<p>As a severely disabled rate paying Senior Randwick resident who cannot walk and who uses Malabar pool 🦿 this plan for a new amenity block is unacceptable making parking for me and my Carer impossible. Please help me. Aged 88 yrs .</p> <p>I and the regular swimmers DO NOT want an Amenities block at Malabar pool.</p> <p>As a regular Randwick long time resident and disabled Swimmer at Malabar Pool 🦿 I believe this new large structure is unnecessary unpopular and costly. My request is supported by hundreds of other regular swimmers who say Please do not build this Amenities block!</p>	Unknown
75	<p>Don't like unisex toilets. How about separate mens & women's toilets? Or, expand the facilities at Malabar Beach. Thank you.</p>	Unknown
76	<p>Folks when doing up amenities at the pool any chance of an outdoor shower near the boar ramp? Or a tap and a hose? Or a bucket with holes in the bottom? It's the Sunday swim spot and it would be nice to be able to rinse off after. nothing fancy that requires an EIS and closes the spot down for 18 months.</p>	Unknown
77	<p>Please go ahead and build the new block. But try and not spend \$2.1m doing it.</p>	Unknown

