Hassans Walls Reserve
Its Future - Your Views

Hassans Walls Reserve Park Plan of Management

Lithgow City Council is preparing a Plan of Management for Hassans Walls Reserve and would like your input.

Hassans Walls Reserve includes an area of just over 780 hectares (shown hatched orange in the plan right). The Reserve is a popular recreational area for Lithgow locals as well as visitors to the area. It is used variously for a range of recreational activities including bushwalking, fitness, dog walking, mountain bike riding, horse riding and general nature appreciation. The Reserve supports the vegetation communities of Blue Mountains Heathland and Blaxland’s Stringybark / Silvertop Ash Forest. A high diversity of native orchids are a feature of the Reserve. A number of significant fauna species are known to occur in the area such as the Gang-gang Cockatoo, Scarlet Robin, Little Lorikeet and the Purple Copperwing Butterfly.

Lithgow City Council is preparing a Plan of Management for the Park, and has engaged consultants Gondwana Consulting to assist in this task. This Plan will set out how Hassans Walls Reserve is to be managed over the coming years.

It is important that both users of the Park and the wider community have a role in preparing the Plan of Management. Your input early in the planning process will help identify what you value about the Park, how you use or enjoy it, perceived management issues or challenges to address, and your aspirations for the Park’s future character, use and management.

This brief “reply-paid” survey is a first step in the planning process. Your responses, inputs and ideas would be appreciated and will contribute to the plan’s preparation. There will be several opportunities for community involvement during the Plan’s preparation (see page 4). Please complete and return your survey by the 20 June, 2016, or sooner.

For further information about this survey or to offer your ideas and input to the Plan’s preparation please contact Andrew Ginnns, at Gondwana Consulting, on email admin@gondwanaconsulting.com.au or 0418 408 647. For information about the Reserve, and the Plan of Management project overall, please contact Karen Luka at Council on email karen.luka@lithgow.nsw.gov.au or 6354 9920.

Your Views:

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1. What do you value most about Hassans Walls Reserve, and why is the Reserve important to you?


2. How often do you visit Hassans Walls Reserve? What area(s) do you visit most often? And what do you typically do there?


3. How do you usually get to the Hassans Walls Reserve (car, walk, bicycle, etc)?


4. What do you consider to be the main issues or challenges that need to be addressed in the future management of Hassans Walls Reserve? (Please list in your order of importance/concern.)

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   Others:
5. How would you suggest these issues or problems are addressed in the Reserve's future planning and management?
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   Others:

6. What other improvements or changes would you like to see in the development, facilities, management and use of Hassans Walls Reserve?

7. Briefly describe how you would like to see Hassans Walls Reserve in 5 to 10 years time?
8. Any other comments, ideas or suggestions you would like to make would be welcome.

Contact details for future involvement/notification:
If you would like to be kept informed of additional opportunities to provide input or comments during preparation of new Plan of Management, or the availability of material for public review (such as an Issues and Discussion Paper, and public exhibition of the Draft Plan of Management) please provide your name and preferred contact details below.

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*(Privacy Statement: All information collected is to assist in the development of the Hassans Walls Reserve Plan of Management and related documents. A summary of submissions may be published as part of the Plan however individual respondents will not be identified (please note that these may be made available through Freedom of Information processes if requested).)*

*Thank you for your time and responses*

**TO RETURN THIS SURVEY**
Fold it into thirds (at edge marks shown), with the mailing label below showing on the outside (& your contact details folded inside), & seal the end & edges with tape. Then drop it into any Australia Post mailbox, **YOU DO NOT NEED A STAMP.**

*Please complete and return your survey by 20 June 2016, or sooner.*