

PROJECT NEWS

Project number:P-K1713

Dog Exercise Area – Pelican Waters

Project summary

Sunshine Coast Council is investigating the community's interest in a Dog Exercise Area (DEA) in Pelican Waters.

Over the past several years Council has received numerous requests for a dog exercise area for Pelican Waters and we would like to understand current community opinions about this idea.

Council is seeking feedback to understand:

- If the community is supportive of the plan to install a dog exercise area
- How regularly residents would use a new local dog exercise area
- Of the identified sites, which is the preferred location (figure 1 overleaf).

Additional off-street parking is not being considered; facility users will need to park on-street or be within walking distance of the DEA.

In Pelican Waters, three sites have been identified as suitable in meeting the above requirements.

- 1. Judy Henzell Park (Fenced)
- 2. Raptor Park (Fenced)
- 3. Scribbly Gum Park (Fenced)

Please refer to Figure 1 overleaf for the identified locations of possible sites.

Have your say!

Council invites you to have your say on the proposal of a DEA at Pelican Waters by completing a short online survey on council's website: https://haveyoursay.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/pelican-waters-dog-exercise-area

Or scan the QR code with your mobile phone.



If you are unable to access the online survey, please contact us to send you a hardcopy.

The online survey is open for three weeks, allowing you to have your say by 5pm Friday 2 June 2023.

Existing nearby dog exercise areas

There are seven Dog Exercise Areas (DEA) within a 10-minute drive of Pelican Waters:

- Woorim Park, Golden Beach
- Aroona Park, Aroona
- Ridgehaven Park, Aroona
- Beach access 276 to 281, Shelley Beach
- Coochin Park, Dicky Beach
- Little Mountain Common, Little Mountain
- Baringa Forest Park, Baringa.

What are dog exercise areas?

Dog exercise areas (DEAs) are activity spaces provided to promote social and physical health for dogs and their owners. DEA's may be fenced or unfenced and may include the following, depending on the site:

- 1.2 metre high, black chain wire fence with two self-closing access gates, if fenced
- catering for dogs of various sizes
- park shelter and shaded seating
- water tap with dog bowl
- concrete access paths
- dog bag dispensers and rubbish bin/signage
- shade tree planting.

Where to from here?

Feedback received during this engagement phase will help Council understand the community demand and best location for a DEA.

The construction of the proposed DEA has not been scheduled. If the community supports the

project, it will be developed in stages subject to detailed design and funding availability in future financial years.

Council is committed to providing high quality open space that supports active and healthy communities and we look forward to working together to get the best outcome for Pelican Waters.

Further information

If you require further information please contact Council's project team via email:

<u>LandscapeDesignandPlanning@sunshinecoast.</u> <u>gld.gov.au</u>

Or contact Council's customer service desk via the details below.

Please quote P-K1713 Pelican Waters, dog exercise area.



Figure 1: Pelican Waters Dog Exercise Area - Options Plan, larger version available on Have your say webpage



A note from your local councillor

This investigation is being undertaken in response to previous community interest and more recently petition in seeing a dog exercise area at Pelican Waters.

I am very keen to see Pelican Waters develop into a place that everyone in the local community can enjoy and be proud of. I encourage everyone to provide feedback and we look forward hearing from you.

Cr Terry Landsberg