



SAVE ROYAL PARK'S OPEN SPACE AMENITY!

Royal Park is Melbourne's iconic bushland park in the heart of the City. People visit the park to appreciate its unique mix of open space, wildness, serenity, adventure, curated gardens and a raft of existing formal recreational areas and informal passive recreational opportunities. The park is a home to an array of biodiversity (birds, other wildlife, vegetation), much of which is at risk.

The Melbourne City Council has released a **Draft Royal Park Master Plan** that threatens to downgrade the park's status as an inner city haven and its informal passive recreation and environmental values by increasing active sporting recreational use. Its proposals include:

- **Intensification of sporting activities**
 - more sports ovals, increased usage, increased lighting
 - another tennis court, mini golf course, disc golf
 - 5 multi-purpose games areas ("netball court sized" with basket/netball rings, cricket nets, other activities) throughout the park
- **Creation of paved paths** through the Grassland Circle, around ovals, and natural areas of the park
- **Threat to the Park's habitat and biodiversity** through more infrastructure, increased lighting, alienation of parkland

For information about the draft Royal Park Master Plan, see Council's website: <https://participate.melbourne.vic.gov.au/royal-park-master-plan-review>.



Four community groups have prepared some briefing notes to assist with submissions on the new master plan, see: www.royalpark.org.au

IF YOU CARE ABOUT THE FUTURE OF ROYAL PARK, SUBMIT FEEDBACK to: park.planning@melbourne.vic.gov.au before Feb 23.