## Byron foreshore project

Community consultation outcomes





### Number of responses by Region

180 160 140 120 100 80 60 40 20 0 0 - 17 26 - 35 46 - 55 56 - 65 18 - 25 36 - 45 66 - 75 75+

### Number of responses





# Car Parking

### Comments related to 'unsure' selection



### Apex Park proposal





### Apex Park comments

Overall, the feedback suggests a cautious approach to development, with a strong emphasis on preserving the character of Byron Bay while addressing practical needs and environmental concerns.

#### **Upgrade Facilities**

Focus on improving restrooms and playgrounds with modern, inclusive designs.

Address Environmental Impact Protect natural habitats and consider the effects on local wildlife.

#### **Optimize Pathways**

Create pathways that balance accessibility with aesthetic considerations; avoid overly wide or intrusive designs.

#### **Balanced Development**

Ensure to balance tourism benefits with local needs and maintain Byron Bay's unique character. Avoid excessive new structures like viewing decks and promenades. Opt for designs that blend with the current aesthetics.

#### Pragmatic Budgeting

Consider budget constraints and maintenance capabilities to avoid overextending resources.

### Dening Park proposal





## Dening Park feedback

- **Integration with Existing Facilities**: Upgrade rather than overhaul current amenities.
- **Concerns about Environmental Impact**: There is a recurring concern about the environmental impact of removing trees and changing natural landscapes. The balance between development and ecological preservation is a major concern.
- **Support for Functional Improvements**: Adding exercise stations, improving pathways, and increasing shade are supported as long as they don't compromise existing amenities or natural beauty.
- Prioritise accessibility: Ensure that all improvements address accessibility needs and do not reduce available parking, especially for those with mobility challenges.

### To what extent do you support these proposals for Clarkes Beach?

Clarkes Beach proposal



### Clarkes beach feedback

Overall, the feedback indicates a desire for thoughtful, balanced improvements that respect the natural environment while enhancing functionality and accessibility for all users.

#### Balance Environmental and Aesthetic Goals

Address concerns about erosion by focusing on native vegetation and stormwater management. Ensure that tree planting does not obstruct views or worsen erosion.

#### **Enhance Facilities**

Upgrade toilets and showers to meet peak demand, improve beach access, and consider the installation of additional amenities like water refill stations and picnic tables.

#### Address Kayak Storage

Review the necessity and placement of kayak storage, ensuring that costs are fairly allocated and that the facilities are accessible to the community.

#### Improve Accessibility

Prioritize accessibility for disabled individuals, including better parking, beach access, and amenities.

#### **Consider Community Need**

Ensure that improvements benefit both locals and tourists and address concerns about exclusivity and environmental impact.

### Beach Café feedback

Overall, while there is support for relocating the Beach Cafe to address erosion concerns, the community has strong reservations about the proposed two-story development and emphasizes the need for designs that respect both the environment and public accessibility.

- **Maintain single story design:** The majority of respondents oppose adding a second story due to concerns about visual impact, environmental fit, and the precedent it sets.
- **Relocate the Cafe:** Support for relocating the cafe is high, primarily due to the need to address erosion. The exact location and design of the new cafe remain points of contention.
- **Enhance Public Access:** Ensuring the new or relocated cafe remains accessible to the public and does not prioritize exclusive functions is crucial.
- **Prioritize Environmental Sensitivity:** Any new development should respect the natural environment, use suitable materials, and consider the ecological impact.
- **Maintain Local Inclusivity:** The cafe should cater to the local community, offering affordable options and avoiding exclusivity. Continue engaging with the community to refine the plans, ensuring that the final design reflects the desires and needs of both locals and visitors.



### Play feedback





### Art feedback



