Vesteys Reserve Community Consultation
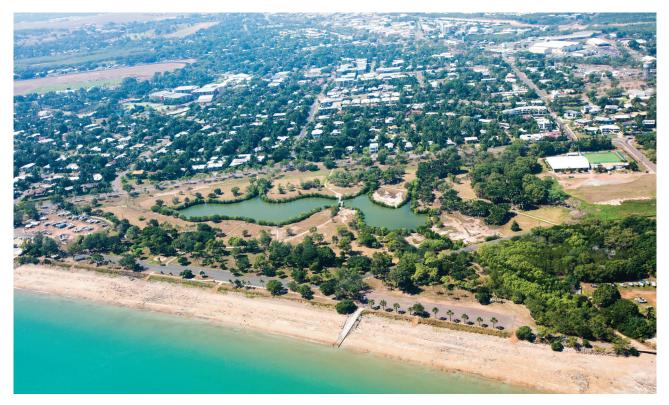
A community consultation process is currently underway to find out about stakeholder and community aspirations for Vesteys Reserve.

Vesteys Reserve

Vesteys Reserve is a parcel of public coastal land in Fannie Bay, just north of Mindil Beach that is bordered by Atkins Drive, Conacher Street and East Point Road. The open recreation area includes man-made Vesteys Lake, walking and cycling tracks, a playground, seating and BBQ areas.

The Reserve is zoned **public open space**, which is to provide public areas for recreational activity.

Why are we consulting?

City of Darwin has identified that Vesteys Reserve could be a suitable area for future community-based recreation facilities. There have been various proposals put to Council for development of Vesteys Reserve over the years, but none of these proposals have proceeded. As the Reserve is an important area of public land, City of Darwin wants to hear from the community and stakeholders on how they'd like to see the Reserve used in the future.

City of Darwin has engaged Michels Warren Munday to manage the consultation process. Public feedback will assist Council in determining the future of Vesteys Reserve. A consultation report will be made available on City of Darwin's website.

What we want to know

How people use the Reserve now.

What is important to people about the Reserve.

Suggestions and discussion about possible improvements or enhancements.

What people like and don't like about the Reserve and its current uses.

The vision people have for the Reserve in the future.

Any potential issues or concerns people have about the Reserve.

These conversations will occur under the following context:

- future use, enhancement or development must be consistent with the public open space zoning; and

- all options will be explored, from doing nothing (leaving the Reserve as is) to recreational enhancements or development in the future.

The consultation process

The consultation process will run from **17 June to 12 August 2016**, and includes one-on-one discussions with stakeholders and residents, a survey and a community workshop.

To register your interest or find out more about the consultation process, contact Michels Warren Munday on **08 8981 6445** or **jo@michelswarrenmunday.com.au**

The online survey can be found at **www.darwin.nt.gov.au/vesteys**

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