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### **Comments on Stromlo Forest Park Master Plan**

The Weston Creek Community Council offers the following comments on the Stromlo Forest Park Master Plan.

Council welcomes the new Master Plan, particularly the pool facility which Council would like to see fast forwarded to cater for the needs of Weston Creek who have been waiting for over 40 years and the new residents in Molonglo. Given that all of the Primary Schools in Weston Creek are full, or nearly full, and the George Weston School in Coombs is open, the pool would enable water safety to be brought to the young in our community. It would also provide a facility for the aging residents for exercise close to where they are living.

Council also welcomes the addition of the Road Cycling facility provided those other users such as walkers and equestrians can continue to utilise the Park without detriment. Hopefully the road cycling facility will take some of the pressures off the surrounding roads as they do not have hard shoulders and there is a real risk with riding on the roads.

The proposed northern accommodation at the site is also welcomed. This will further utilise the facilities. However, it questions the need for additional accommodation on the southern site.

There is some concern in the community with overdevelopment being proposed within the Park. This could see it lose its spacious feel. There is also some concern that fire trails are being overlooked for maintenance.

The Bushfire Memorial is within the Park and seems to have been crowded by several proposed uses adjacent to it. Council would like to see less of the District open playing fields adjacent to this. It is a pity that they are not included in either Wright or Coombs.

The enclosed oval is one for the future but will be welcomed by the community

The proposed Gondola is an interesting proposal but again would reduce traffic and cyclists on the road to the top of Mt Stromlo and there are other examples in Australia and other countries that show the benefit of these.

Council remains available for consultation on these comments.

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