

Ashfield Aquatic Centre refurbishment Community Engagement – 8 May–5 June 2017 – Responses		
Community survey – open comments		
Option satisfaction	Do you have any comments about the options?	Council response
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	<p>Personally I don't swim, have no interest in swimming, therefore I confess to having no particular preference as to the proposed options, other than as a local resident and tax-rate payer.</p> <p>Having seen the flyer regarding these proposal I am shocked as to the stated running costs of this center. How, I ask can it cost \$819,000 per year (current costs)? What on earth does this fund?</p> <p>I notice that the centre is not a freebie for locals and that patrons pay for the privilege, thus I am at a loss to understand, given the center has an income, how then does it require an additional \$819,000 funding? Where does this funding go?</p> <p>I appreciate that there are day to day 'running costs' associated with such venues, but at a cost of around \$17,000 per week? This is an extraordinary amount to justify, hence I would be more than interested to hear council's justification.</p> <p>I look forward to hearing from you, your office, or council at your earliest convenience.</p> <p>should this not be forthcoming, could you please advise me who I should contact with regards this enquiry?</p>	Email sent with a link to Business Case report

<p>Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied</p>	<p>OPTION 1 - is the only design that retains the grandstand. Without the grandstand does this mean that school swim comps will not be held at Ashfield due to the lack of seating?</p> <p>OPTION 2 - has the 1 pool for swimming and water polo; does this mean that when WP area is being used the 50m pool is reduced to 30m? If so this is unacceptable.</p> <p>OPTION 3 - What is the box between 'H' and 'K'? At present this is a grass area, what will this area become?</p> <p>Aqua Aerobics - I attend the AA class several times a week and we haven't been mentioned below.</p>	<p>School Carnivals will continue to be held at the pool. Option 2 and 3 will include open space area instead of the grandstand and temporary seating will be provided during school carnivals.</p> <p>During water polo activities, a boom gate will separate the water polo activities and lap swimming. The boom gate will leave a 25 metre pool with 5 swimming lanes that will run across the pool.</p> <p>In options 1 and 3 the green space next to the water polo pool is an open green space for future construction of an additional pool.</p> <p>Aqua classes and aqua aerobics are provided as options in Q1 and Q2 of the survey.</p>
<p>Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied</p>	<p>Council should refurbish the "water polo" pool and return it to use as a diving pool with a range of diving platforms and spring boards.</p>	<p>Noted-water polo will be considered</p>
<p>Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied</p>	<p>I would choose number 1 but I feel that the unsightly entrance area detracts from the centre. Some Landscaping would make it more inviting and lead to greater community use.</p>	<p>Noted – landscaping will be considered.</p>

Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	All 3 options suit me as I only ever lap swim outside during summer & indoors every now and then. Updated changerooms would be lovely. However due to the ongoing yearly costs, options 2 or 3 would be a more sustainable choice?	Noted-change rooms will be upgrade
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Hydro therapy pool needs to be available in option 2 or 3 - I would then happily join ashfield aquatic centre, instead of Leichhardts where I currently attend.  Living in a rate paying household Option 1's ongoing maintenance is not acceptable - is far to high.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	It appears that none of these options include facilities for springboard and platform diving. The single, convertible pool in Option 2 is only 2m deep so clearly no diving there. Options 1 and 2 talk about the replacement of the waterpolo pool with something similar but don't give a depth and since the required depth for waterpolo is only 2m (not 4m or 5m as for diving), it can't be assumed they will allow for diving. Also, the maps don't show any kind of diving platforms or a tower. So all in all, very disappointing for those young people in the Ashfield area who might show talent as divers, or for adult divers who may wish to practise.	The Ashfield Aquatic Centre has not catered for diving for many years. The Leichhardt Park Aquatic Centre provides a local facility for diving.
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Hard to see dofs between then except for caroark. I like that the pool has a local/understated feel and would be happy for it to stay same-have chosen option 2 for cost reasons	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I think Option 2 makes the best use of the space available without loosing any pools.	Noted-there is no separate water polo pool in option two

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I like the extra indoor pool option. Can finally do laps in winter without having 6 people in one lane.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I think the indoor pool hall needs to be upgraded as it is poor condition. The "hydro therapy" aka water jets are quite gross and unnecessary.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	<p>I strongly believe in the value of redeveloping this centre and am pleased to have the chance to have a say. However I am disappointed in the approach of Council (both previous Ashfield and Inner West) to community engagement. It seems like a waste of time to consult on which features are important when three concept designs have already been created. Expressing my level of satisfaction with each of the three designs doesn't give you any information on WHY I might be satisfied or otherwise, and doesn't support any decision-making for you. The consultation on specific features should come before the concept designs. I am surprised that a larger, amalgamated Council hasn't put together a better engagement campaign over such a large and significant project. A merged entity is supposed to have more resources at its disposal to deliver what the community wants.</p> <p>I am also profoundly disappointed in the lack of information available about the energy and water efficiency options in the redesign. One of the objectives stated in the flyer is "innovative solutions promoting energy and water efficiency". There is no indication of how these solutions have been incorporating into the costing. These solutions cost a lot of money up front but can then offset running costs significantly, so I imagine the impact on the costing would be very large. Given the values of the inner west community which is generally left-leaning and extremely environmentally conscious, I would have expected to see this being part of the. Even if you exclude the environmental argument, it</p>	<p>A field for open comments enabled community members to provide further information to support survey responses. The current engagement builds on engagement processes undertaken by the former Ashfield Council. Council will use community responses to inform the final design.</p> <p>Allowances have been made for measures including: rainwater tanks, ultra-fine filtration which reduces water use and high energy efficiency through mechanical, lighting and power systems. All new roof will support PV solar panels.</p>

	<p>often consultation makes good financial sense to make the greater investment up front for energy-saving technologies. This is something the community should get a say in.</p> <p>Finally, I have very little faith in the costing presented in the pamphlet. If the first design was costed at \$14m and the only tender submission came in at \$20m, it would lead me to believe that Council has grossly underestimated the cost of redevelopment. I would also like to know the revenue projections for the various design options, to help me weigh up which level of ongoing operating costs is acceptable. I suggest much more Council time and effort is put into LONG TERM costing, including efficiency savings, before tenders are sought on these designs.</p>	The costs were identified by an expert business analyst and are outlined in the Business Case report
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Hydrotherapy pool would be great (like Ripples St Mary's or Michael Wenden Aquatic Centre Millar)	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	<p>The current indoor 25 meter pool is always booked out by the Learn to Swim people. This leaves nowhere for kids to swim during winter if they are too old for the toddler area, and too young for the deeper end part of the pool area.</p> <p>Option 1&amp; 2 provides a secondary 25 meter indoor pool which would be very popular and highly utilised.</p> <p>Option 2 provides some much needed green space for sitting outside. At the moment there is way too much concrete and it is not very inviting! The grassed area near K in Option 3 is wasted space and I rarely see people using that space currently. Best to make use of it as has been done in Option 2.</p>	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	<p>I like the idea of a new 50m pool and keeping that pool separate from the water polo pool (option 3). I also like the gym and studio options of option 3 and 2, as I currently go to a gym in Burwood and would prefer a community-style gym closer to home.</p> <p>(Question: what's happening in option 3 in the green rectangle left of K?)</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>In options 1 and 3 the green space next</p>

	<p>Grassed play area or part of K plant and equipment?)</p> <p>I lived in Melbourne for some time and was a member of Carlton Baths (check it out online!) which, before and after renovations, was a small YMCA community gym with a 25m pool. Its renovations included shade-friendly landscaping and family-friendly facilities, a light and airy gym, and it's got an excellent atmosphere. I love Ashfield pool and look forward to renovations that improve its facilities and add to its sweet community feel, though I'll be sad to lose it for almost two years!</p>	<p>to the water polo pool is open green space for future construction of an additional pool.</p>
<p>Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied</p>	<p>Completely 50m pool and gym facilities of 3, plus landscaping, sound great.</p> <p>Tempted by no landscaping and new 50m pool plus completely new 25m pool, but the ongoing cost of option 1 to Council is scary (though not much scarier than the current rate, I suppose).</p> <p>I don't like 2's idea of combining the water polo and 50m pool.</p>	<p>Noted-for consideration in final design</p>
<p>Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied</p>	<p>Why a BBQ area? I believe a BBQ facility at a local pool is not appropriate. A café is OK but to have residents bringing food to cook (and all that goes with such activity) is totally inappropriate. It is a sporting facility and should remain just that. The smell of cooking etc is offensive when exercising or just relaxing.</p>	<p>Noted, this will be considered in the detailed design stage.</p>
<p>Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied</p>	<p>The outdoor green space and splash pad would be amazing for families</p>	<p>Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre</p>
<p>Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied</p>	<p>The survey format doesn't allow me to comment on the issues that concern me. It seems designed to get people to endorse Council's plans rather than provide feedback.</p> <p>All options are too expensive and represent an over development. I don't understand how Option 1 and 2 cost roughly the same but one funds 3 new pools and the other only 2 new pools. I would like to see an</p>	<p>A field for open comments enabled community members to provide further information to support survey responses.</p> <p>Option 1 does not include a gymnasium. Options 2 &amp; 3 include a gymnasium. The</p>

	<p>option where the pools are refurbished rather than built new. I would also like to see the pool used for infant swimming lessons separated from the 25m indoor pool as I don't enjoy swimming in a pool full of non toilet trained children wearing nappies.</p> <p>There isn't a need for a new gym, there are many gyms in Ashfield. There are at least 5 gyms in Ashfield, not including yoga and pilates studios and group exercise like Zumba. It would appear the gym is being included to raise income, which would suggest that council cannot actually afford its current plan.</p> <p>The pool is located on an unattractive busy road, so the idea that the aquatic centre will be the "go to place for the local community" is far fetched. Even with landscaping the ideas of sitting outside looking at Elizabeth St sounds daft.</p> <p>That the project has blown out from a \$14m upgrade to a \$26m project does not instill any confidence in how this project will be managed. I would prefer for the maintenance upgrades to be conducted and after they are complete then people could decide whether they want council to spend more money. Our rates are going to rise considerably due to our higher land values in addition to the special variation.</p>	<p>gymnasium provides a significant income to Council. The existing pools are at the end of their useful life and must be replaced.</p>
<p>Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied</p>	<p>I like the idea of the separate water polo pool so that lane swimming is not limited by water polo events. Change area is essential, cafe is great, multi-gym use not so necessary - if you want these facilities there are others in the area, especially if the cost to the user would be the same here i.e. run by private commercial operator.</p>	<p>Noted-the gym provides income to offset running costs</p>
<p>Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied</p>	<p>Option 1 far too costly compared to other options, why so much more? Option 2 disappointing to combine water polo and outdoor pool - does this close off lanes or reduce to 25m? Not practical!</p> <p>Option 3 no kiddy pool? Why?</p>	<p>Option 1 does not include a gymnasium. Options 2 &amp; 3 include a gymnasium. The gymnasium provides a significant income to Council</p> <p>In option 3 the space is used for the new amenities including family change rooms.</p>

	<p>Please consider a 10 lane outdoor to ease congestion into future and providing separate water polo and splash pools.</p> <p>Water quality is also very important, couldn't the money be better spent on simpler facilities but more advanced systems, again to last into future?</p> <p>Would love a simple inexpensive gym.</p>	<p>Council recognises water quality as important. The new aquatic centre will use ultrafine filtration system to ensure excellent water quality.</p>
<p>Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied</p>	<p>I like option 3 as it still has indoor pool with also kid area. It's kept the kids outdoor pool too which is good for the bit older kids.</p>	<p>In option 3 the green space next to the water polo pool is an open green space for future construction of an additional pool.</p>
<p>Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied</p>	<p>Option 2 makes the best use of the land available as well as providing the lowest ongoing cost to the Council (and subsequently to the ratepayers)</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied</p>	<p>Option 1 needs a gym to meet the requirements of the whole community.</p> <p>Option 2 will be better with a stand alone water polo pool.</p> <p>Option 3 will be better with a 25m indoor pool to meet the requirements of the whole community</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied</p>	<p>Having a sauna -preferably separate male and female, is great for relaxing after a workout. This would encourage me to use the centre more often. A gym is also important-even a small one.</p> <p>Access for the disabled.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>New amenities will include: individual change rooms, male and female change rooms, on deck change rooms, and fully accessible facilities.</p>



Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Leave the pool the way it is but update it	The pool is at the end of its useful life and must be replaced.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	If you are going to update the pool to encourage more people you will need to increasing parking area. I think the best option is to leave design as is and just update the facilities that are there now	Noted-parking will be increased.
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Hate Option 2 feature of one outdoor pool for both swimming and water polo and the use of a boom gate!!!  Emphatically support keeping the grandstands (Option 1) as they not only accommodate swimmers and events such as carnivals but also provide shade cover over the pool which is imperative to my early morning swims every day of the year. I can swim in the shady lanes and minimise my risk of any more skin cancers!	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	I choose Option 2 above the others.  I think it is much more important to have green spaces and family-friendly facilities in Ashfield: It has a growing high-density, mostly immigrant population and the local pool should be a space where families, who don't have their own backyard and who might not have the means nor inclination to go to a surf beach, can relax in the shade and let their kids enjoy the water safely.  I am a member of the Leichhardt aquatic centre, and I see much more use and application in the children's pool than the waterpolo pool. I think the waterpolo pool is underused there. Since Ashfield is now part of the the Inner West Council, then waterpolo activities can always be moved there.	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre

	And finally, Option 2 is the cheapest to maintain.	
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	<p>I volunteer for the State Emergency Service. as a volunteer I need somewhere to train to maintain my fitness. we would also need a place to practice our flood rescue training, so would require a deeper pool like the one proposed for water polo.</p> <p>Additionally, I would like council to support their community volunteers by offering free pool/gym entry for State Emergency Service members. Volunteers give up their time to protect the inner west community, so it would be great if the Council additionally supported them in this one small gesture.</p>	Noted-pool depth in the water polo pool is 2.1m.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	It seems to me that Option 2 provides good functionality and facilities and offers the lowest ongoing running costs for the council which seems very important to me.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	At the moment the family change room in the indoor pool area where my 1 year old son has his swimming lessons is not sufficient since it does not have a shower area. I have to walk in the freezing cold all the way to the Women's facility to be able to take a shower, it's very daunting in the colder months. Would love it if there is also a shower facility in the indoor swimming area.	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Option 2 is the best given that it's the cheapest to run every year and the 10 lane lap pool. I regularly swim laps and there just aren't enough lanes as the squad swimmers take up half of the pool. People are crammed in to the lap swimming lanes.	Noted

Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	<p>The ongoing costs provided appear inconsistent. Option 1 has 4 pools with ongoing costs = \$800K and Option 2 &amp; 3 have 3 pools with ongoing costs = \$400K. How can the 1 extra pool in option 1 double the on going cost relative to option 2 &amp; 3.</p> <p>Concerned reducing number of pools from current but support improved landscape and open areas in option 2.</p> <p>Need equipment and facilities to assist less mobile people both getting in/out the pool and change rooms e.g. hoist in both, ramps etc</p>	<p>Option 1 does not include a gymnasium. Options 2 &amp; 3 include a gymnasium. The gymnasium provides a significant income to Council that offsets running costs of the pool.</p> <p>Noted</p>
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	In option 3 you should include a grandstand for school and community events. Other than that, option 3 is the best because it's cheaper, it doesn't have to share the pool with the water polo and it has nice grass space	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	<p>I hope that when the report states that the existing indoor pool facilities are "maintained in current condition" that the current unacceptable state of the amenities is rectified with an upgrade and made safe. Why are these not made safe now is beyond belief. Items such as rusted door frames, tape over electrical switches and loose wall tiles are hardly acceptable at present. If the council claim that these works may take place in a year, which will inevitably be delayed, why are these amenities not made safe now?</p> <p>The whole indoor facility needs a general upgrade and refurbishment even if just cosmetic.</p>	Upgrade of the existing pool hall is not included in the current project, except that new large doors will be inserted into the western wall to provide access to the pool apron adjacent to the 50m Pool.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	<p>I go to the aqua aerobics classes and they have been very beneficial for my heart condition and arthritis. The classes are very popular now that they are on every day.</p> <p>It is also very important for children to learn to swim in Australia and so to me it is very important that there are 2 indoor pools in order to cater for the needs of both groups. The water polo pool on the other hand is rarely used so should not be a priority.</p>	Noted-water polo is a growing sport; learn to swim is an essential part of the centre's operations.

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	water polo is a niche and almost elite sport enjoyed by very few compared to the need for water safety and swimming lessons and exercise for the majority. the ongoing costs for option one are unreasonable. a hydrotherapy pool for our aging population should be considered.	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	<p>I do not particularly care which option except if you are going to do something , put a gym in the complex.</p> <p>The pool has bee a bottomless pit for money for years . I can remember sitting in an Ashfield Council estimates meeting back in about 1985 when about a million dollars was budgeted to be spent on it.Over the years there has been about four special levies for the pool.The other thing wrong with it is that it is at the wrong end of the town so to speak and is used by residents from neighbouring councils more than the local residents. Before you do anything have you done a survey of the addresses of the current users and find out where the clientele come from , and negotiate with the neighbouring councils to contribute to the pool.The other thing go and talk to Georges River Council about how their pool in Penshurst Park is going and whether it runs as a profit or loss.I had a little to do with it some years ago.As a resident of Haberfield I really object to the levy on the pool as it is miles away from the area and you cant find the money to fix Haberfield Library , even though some money was in the budget this year, it needs an extension , which was in the original plans to go out in th grassed area. It would be good to also open it more hours. Libraries attract people who also shop in the area As stated above it is the wrong end of town and I am not sure whether Leichhardt and Marrickville residents would like to pay the current levy which former Ashfield residents are paying</p>	Noted-this survey asks for suburb of respondents; a gym is proposed in options 2 and 3 and would offset the running costs of the Centre.
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	I don't feel the need for open public space on Elizabeth street. This is a busy road and a new landscaped public area would be a waste of money when a similar area could be designed within the aquatic centre. There needs to be better changing facilities in the indoor area. This is currently only serviced by two family change rooms with a toilet and is not adequate for the amount of people/families who use the facility.	Noted-landscaping inside will be considered and change rooms will be upgraded.

	Clearly the café area needs an update. It has no aesthetic appeal whatsoever.	
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I love the fact there is green space/family change rooms, gym	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	With young kids the idea of having a welcoming place to play and enjoy the water and also the facilities to develop swimming as they grow up looks good. Also being able to link going to the gym before a swim also very convenient.	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Keeping the smaller pool is important to me and it seems a shame to lose the regularly used water polo pool.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Option 1 is extremely expensive in ongoing costs. Option 2 is great because we need an additional indoor pool area to accommodate more lessons/squads/lap swimmers particularly. Im unsure how the boomgate works - does it cut the 50m pool into 2 separate areas for lap and waterpolo? Does that only happen when waterpolo games are on and is it a lengthy process to operate the boomgate? I think I can live with that provided squads and lap swimmers get reasonable length laned areas. Option 3 is not offering additional indoor pool space, so is not my preference, although less running costs.	During water polo activities, a boom gate will separate water polo activities and lap swimming. The boom gate will leave a 25 metres pool with 5 swimming lanes that will run across the pool.

Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	The 50m pool still requires grandstands for events (e.g. school swimming events). A new 25m indoor pool is required due to the existing being overcrowded at peak times when swim lessons are on.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	More family changing room with hot shower.	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded.
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	In all honesty, I've never used the facilities and most likely never will. As I opposed the council merger, I oppose having to pay a special levy for the upgrade.	Noted-the Centre is however heavily used by a large number of local residents
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 2 is good	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	<p>So an original \$14m estimate funded by extortionate rate increases on former Ashfield Council residents is now being replaced by two options at nearly twice the estimated cost and a third at over 50% greater than the original estimate. Given the original proposal resulted in a tender at \$20 million who knows how far out Council's estimates are this time . And how are these new proposals to be funded? More gouging of the former Ashfield Council ratepayers?</p> <p>So how about consideration of another couple of options? Firstly a revision of the project to a more modest proposal that will fit within the original \$14m budget. Surely the need for a dedicated water polo pool to be used exclusively by an absolutely tiny proportion of ratepayers could be axed. The second additional option would be to forgo the</p>	Inner West Council will utilise combined working capital funds available from all three former Councils to provide a facility that benefits the community for the next 30-50 years.

	whole thing and return the amount of the rate increases to ratepayers . Given that there are far least three other public pools in the new council area why the need for such extravagant spending by an organisation that has already demonstrated that it cannot accurately project costs?	
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	I don't think a local pool has to be everything. If you want to do gym classes go to a gym. If you want a bbq go to the local park or beach. A local pool should provide swim lessons and training, water exercise, facilities for local schools to have swimming carnivals (50 metre pool and grandstand) area for toddlers to splash & develop water confidence and a shaded grass area where people can have lunch.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Options 2 seems the best	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	like more indoor pools for all weathers	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Ashfield Aquatic Centre is a pool, it doesn't need water polo or gym or cafe. Seriously the residents voted NO to the exhorbitant expense of upgrading and council ignores the majority. Now the tender has come in over the already over-priced budget. We have fancy aquatic centres nearby such as Ian Thorpe, Leichhardt and Olymoic Park. This needs to be a small community pool with a BUS STOP! Not more parking.	Noted-the NSW government determines bus stops. Residents predominantly supported the special rate variation applied for by former Ashfield Council and approved by IPART.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 2 shouldn't be an option. As waterloo is a booming sport and there is already a severe shortage of pools it would be negligent to remove the pool and combine it with the 50m pool	Noted-water polo is increasing.

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	I like the idea of having a health and fitness facility. I don't support having 2 indoor pool facilities. Having the entrance set back from Elizabeth St will help improve the local streetscape.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	All look fine, I just really want to keep a large shallow pool area for the kids to play in. Ashfield is the only pool I can find that has such a large shallow pool for the kids (without all the extra frills etc like at Olympic Park). I love that I can have my 1 year old, my 3year and my 5 year old all in the shallow pool, having lots of fun. The outdoor (but definitely need sunshade) splash area sounds like a good idea in Option 2. Change rooms closer to the indoor pools would be good, as it is very cold for the kids to walk from the pool to the change area in winter.	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	More indoor pools is required.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	The centre definitely needs to improve on indoor options to make bigger and to allow for swim school and general public swimming access. Improve green areas and bring back a decent cafe. It is a wonderful community pool keep it clean and maintained. Current showers family change rooms are disgusting and poor maintenance has left the centre in poor state.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	My concern with option 2 is that the operable boom gate in the 50m pool will be left in a position that turns the 50m pool into a 25-30m pool on the majority of occasions. Having the 50m pool available is important to me for swimming training.	Noted



<p>Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied</p>	<p>Option three manages to keep 3 pools, including the waterpolo pool, there aren't too many waterpolo venues and Ashfield hosts some great waterpolo tournaments and weekly club matches throughout the year. The 50mtre pool is obviously a necessity as there are thousands of People who would use this pool, but I think a grandstand would be important as plenty of schools rely on this pool for their school and zone carnivals.</p> <p>The negative about this option is, there seems to be a lot of wasted space outside the entrance to the pool. I believe that most people would like to see some shade over the waterpolo pool, children and adults in summer need this.</p>	<p>Noted-landscaping inside the pool will be considered in the final design.</p>
<p>Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied</p>	<p>The two preferred options will result in a loss of the school carnival groups as there are no grandstands, which is sad for schools, (though as a lap swimmer that is okay). A bigger 50m pool is my preferred option. It would be sad to lose the dedicated water polo pool but I can see it is one or the other. Splash pool for small children is a very important social facility for the community. I knew no-one in Ashfield and I met a lifelong friend when I took my 18 month old son to swim classes at Ashfield pool over 20 years ago (when there was an outdoor splash pool and grassed area instead of the indoor pool). The creche for gym users/ aquarobics mothers is also an important social facility for new mothers. Some undercover area for putting towels etc when lap swimming in the rain is also important to me. I have been a 3 times a week lap swimmer in the recent past and would do so again if the facilities were improved.</p>	<p>School Carnivals will continue to be held at the pool. Option 2 and 3 include open space area instead of the grandstand; temporary seating will be provided during school carnivals.</p>
<p>Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied</p>	<p>It would be great to have a gym where locals can access equipment, fitness classes etc. The swimming program is also a must! This would also attract schools to take up the swimming program too. At present the facilities are run down and not appealing. I am very excited about the potential of having a multi purpose and modern swimming/leisure centre.</p> <p>Has the council considered the impact that this will have on the flow of</p>	<p>Yes, traffic and parking studies have been undertaken and assessed for developmental consent (DA) for Option 1. A new DA for the final plan will require a new traffic and parking study. All three options provide for an increased parking.</p>

	traffic along Elizabeth Street. At present it gets very busy on weekends. What strategies will be put in place?	
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	It's a shame none of the options include upgrading the current indoor pool.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	<p>The water polo pool should be used when there is no competition on. Why waste it.</p> <p>Having 2 baby play areas is not needed.</p> <p>Can a first floor level for parking be added to one of the car parks. When there is water polo comps on its hard to park.</p>	The current options expand the existing parking in the Bastable Street car park. Adding a "first floor level" would be prohibitively expensive.
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Water polo pools are very scarce in Sydney; please keep the dedicated water polo pool for the sake of the sport	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	<p>Combining water polo with the 50m pool will limit the use of the 50 pool for lap swimming.</p> <p>Presumably the 50m pool will become a 25m pool when water polo training and games are taking place. This is not ideal so separate pools is the best outcome.</p>	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Not very readable to see how they tie to what is offered	Noted

Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Water polo and lap swimming in one pool is a menace	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	I think that losing the water polo pool would impinge on the 50m pool significantly even with 10 lanes (although that would be fantastic especially when training is in full swing). I think its important to keep the water polo pool as it has been one of the great differences that Ashfield has.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Options 2 and 3 seem to remove the grandstand seating. Option 1 has a new indoor facility, why have two, why not replace the two 25m indoor pools with a new 50m indoor pool?	Inclusion of grandstand seating will be considered by Council. The arrangement of indoor pools will be considered in the detailed design phase.
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	It's important to have a overall health and fitness center that includes swimming pools. That way the space can be used by more people. People that are looking for more than just swimming. Offering the public a swimming center with a fully functional gym, rehab hydro pool, yoga/pilates classes and decent cafe. This will also ensure that the earning potential for the center will be decent. Thank you	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Obviously new buildings and equipment would be better for all, but refurbished pools and areas are also satisfactory as it still meets all the needs of the existing customers and will still be inviting to new customers but will not be as expensive to achieve the results	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Options 2 and 3 don't show a grandstand. Is there going to be one?</li> <li>Are you going to use solar power to cut down heating costs?</li> <li>Options 2 and 3 waste too much space at the entrance for landscaping.</li> </ol>	<p>Inclusion of grandstand seating will be considered by Council.</p> <p>The roofs of the new buildings will be designed and constructed so the whole roof area can be used to install PV</p>

		panels.
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	While we would actually prefer to have a designated water polo pool, we feel that the paddling pool with sails, and the outdoor 25m pool are more important given the amount of families which use the facility. Therefore Option 3 is our preference. It simply covers the most bases. And we feel that if you're going to spend the money to upgrade, you might as well make it as good and as useful as you can!	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	covered area/grandstand to watch waterpolo would be appreciated	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	A designated seating area for the water polo pool would be a great addition.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Why is the existing grandstand removed in Option 3?	Option 3 did not include grandstand seating due to cost. Inclusion of a grandstand will be considered by Council.
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	I think you need to keep the grandstand and water polo pool. The extra 25 metre pool is also a good idea	Noted

Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	I think the extra 25 m pool is a good idea and it is essential to keep the grandstand and the water polo pool	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	<p>The issue with combining the Water polo and 50m pool is that you will not be able to dedicate enough space and time in the pool to meet the needs of Water polo. Water polo requires minimum 30m pool for games and 25m for training. Since the pool will clearly not be 30m wide, you will not be able to allow laps in the pool while games are being held, and will be 25m long when training is held. Ashfield is a key pool for NSW Water Polo, and I believe that the revenue raised from the training and games is and will continue to be essential to Ashfield. One solution is to make the Water Polo pool indoor (with some seating) and allow it to be used for laps when not in use for Water Polo.</p> <p>I also think you should consider using a combination of all options - with a 50m pool, water polo pool, new set back entrance gym/admin building, and new 25m in door pool in what currently is the grassed area behind the water polo pool. Just a thought.</p>	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	rentention of dedicated waterpolo pool will continue to bring significant revenue to the facility	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	No water polo in option 2.	Noted

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 2 is a good mix of green space, great facilities and a good ongoing cost.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Feel an additional 25 m indoor pool outweighs green space or gym Existing children's splash pool is very good	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	I think the centre really needs another indoor pool so don't believe option 3 is adequate.  I think the ongoing costs of option 1 are too expensive.  I think option 2 is a fantastic design, incorporates essential requirements as well as "nice to haves" whilst having more affordable ongoing costs.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Dedicated water polo pool is crucial for our family to continue visiting Ashfield aquatic centre. Parking is also critical issue. Please note, swimming pools and gyms are available elsewhere, unlike dedicated water polo pools. Water polo clubs generally struggle for facilities for training and games every week. Losing the water polo pool at Ashfield (home pool for UNSW WM WP club) would have a great negative impact to the UNSW West Magpies water polo club and water polo sport in general, as UNSW West Magpies are one of the leading clubs in this sport in Sydney and more importantly- at the national level. Our children also attend water polo NSW program for talented players on a weekly basis at these facilities. To summarise, our family visits Ashfield aquatic centre 3-4 times a week for water polo trainings and games.	Noted-parking will be increase; the gym offsets the running costs of the pool; families and water polo players are important users of the Centre.

Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	A grandstand is missing and is needed with the water polo pool- adjacent to the fence with railway line.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	It would be great if the refurbishment could take place around the existing indoor pool which is not being replaced. Diving towers would also be a great investment given the lack of diving clubs in the Sydney metro area - maybe a possibility for option 3 if the waterpolo pool was combined use diving/waterpolo.	Noted-for consideration in final design Diving is available at LPAC – it would be prohibitively expensive at AAC
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	A dedicated Waterpolo pool is a must, the only thing needed is a grandstand, as sitting on the grass is not an option in the rain and there are too many ants of the wall	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Water polo should be kept separate so as to not shorten length of pool with the boom gate and also noise pollution from the games. Free showers also needed please. Disregard option one. The cost is ludicrous.	Noted and change rooms will be upgraded.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	I don't understand why option one is even there? The ongoing costs seem absurd considering the lack of improvements to the centre.	Option 1 is the original tender scheme approved by the former Ashfield Council.
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 2 seems to be the most accommodating option . It provides a far greater range of facilities for the community and if option 2 was available, we would change all of our gym/swimming needs to Ashfield.The lower ongoing maintenance costs are also appealing.	Noted

Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Don't get rid of the existing 25m outdoor pool. The 50 m is always full of squad swimmer, and the indoor 25m is so full of people it's nearly impossible to swim laps.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I have been using the pool since it opened, principally for water polo. A separate water pool is essential as use of the 50m would be extremely restrictive. The recent loss of Parramatta pool and the reluctance of the management of Auburn to fully use their water polo pool is now restricting water polo in Sydney.	Noted-water polo will be considered
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Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	I think the toddler and family splash play area is needed, and would bring more families to the centre. The Cafe able to service both sides is a good idea. Extended car park is well needed. I've been to the centre many many times and have never once seen anyone using the polo pool, so I think a completely dedicated pool is unnecessary, but a multitasking pool with the 50m is a great idea.	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 2 is much preferred due to inclusion of BOTH a gym/studio facility and an additional indoor pool, making the Aquatic Centre far more useable all year round.	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Don't get rid of the kids splash area!!!	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre



Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	More indoor swimming lanes are very welcomed esp. for winter.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	a shared pool with boom gate would mean v crowded swimming at water polo practice & game times.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Great choices! I'm so excited. I can't stop thinking about it!	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	I think easy connections / visibility from one pool space to another is a good idea. Closed off spaces and large walls make it an unfriendly, divided environment.	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	More swimming spaces are the key to having a better facility	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 1 doesn't seem like a viable long-term option, given the ongoing annual cost	Noted

Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Family/ activities for children interested in mostly	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I think option 2 is bad because the waterpolo pool and the 50m lap swim pool should definitely be separate! Option 3 is good, i like the addition of a gym, but i hope prices for this won't be too expensive.	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Would like to see the Waterpolo pool remain. This is a very popular sport for kids and adults and there is a shortage of Waterpolo pools in Sydney. Not providing a Waterpolo pool would be a step backwards. Need to look to future needs and Waterpolo is a fast growing sport.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I live locally in Bland St and sadly do not receive a local paper Although I swim every Sat morning I have not seen anything about this survey. I received it from my water polo club otherwise I may not have had a vote Good luck in the process	Noted-brochures were delivered to 28,600 homes around the Centre – we're sorry yours was missed. The Centre also emailed all users and clubs to maximise the chance of people hearing about the engagement, as well as displayed posters and surveys around the Centre.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	I don't think inner west residents should need to provide a deep water pool for all of sydney. I also don't think a gym is necessary, so option 2 is the best of a bad lot.	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt.
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Not a fan of gym inclusion. If people want a gym, they should join Fitness First. Family use should be the priority for an aquatic centre like Ashfield.	Noted-a gym offsets the costs of running the Centre. Families are an important group of users of the centre

Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 1 has the designated water polo pool and has the grandstand. Though not a great configuration to watch waterpolo it is at least an under cover place to sit. Option 3 has the designated water polo pool but does not appear to have a grandstand. The pool is extremely important and a useful grandstand to watch waterpolo games would be desirable.	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Shade over outdoor pool and increasing the size of indoor pool will be nice. After all, skin cancer is a big problem in this country.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 2 - shares the lap pool with water polo meaning that lap swimming would be potentially restricted due to water polo training Option 1 - appears to recreate the existing setup, and doesn't include a gym area Option 3 - seems to be a good setup including a gym, however unsure why the area in the bottom left corner (next to water polo pool) cannot be utilised into an indoor 25m pool similar to option 2 - this would satisfy the requirements of families with children and people requiring the gym. I assume that the running costs would outweigh profits so appreciate that this wouldn't be a viable option for the council. On the other hand, I cannot understand why a 25m pool would cost the council in ongoing costs, an extra \$446,000 per year. I calculated this figure based on the numbers provided in the proposal. Four pools in option 1 (without gym) cost \$881,000 per year. The three pools with gym cost the council \$435,000 per year. The \$446,000 is the difference between these figures.  I prefer option 3 for the gym option and separate lap pool	Noted.  Noted. This area has been retained for the potential future development of an additional indoor pool.  Cost estimates were prepared by an external industry expert as part of the business case.
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Please keep facility with water polo pool.	Noted-water polo will be considered

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	<p>The current water polo pool is rarely used and seems like an extraordinary expense. For this reason, combined with the extended play/splash area, I believe option 2 is the best.</p> <p>HOWEVER, I don't believe it is worth the additional \$5.5 million over option 3.</p> <p>As an alternative, perhaps the proposed water polo pool could be the indoor 25m pool (item G from option 2) instead. This would replace the existing 25m pool (which is very popular after school hours) with an indoor option that could be used during colder months.</p>	Noted-water polo requires a depth of 2.1m
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 3 appears to be the best option to accommodate all needs for the community, however some green space or bbq area would be a fantastic option if space permits.	Noted-landscaping will be considered in the final design
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	<p>Option 3 BBQ area not required a big emphasis on gym activities would be beneficial to the trend in today's society.</p> <p>Also a draw card for all weather trading and all hours accessibility.</p> <p>Ease of parking availability for patrons.</p>	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Option 3 makes much more financial sense than the other options. The pools just need to be modernised rather than totally rebuilt, and Option 3 does this best. Having a Council run gym in Ashfield will also be a big boost to the local community.	Noted-the pool is at the end of its useful life and must be replaced.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Worked as a sales rep. supplying commercial pools. Option 2 seems to cover what other councils are doing with their old pools. This option should get the most use from the centre. although local gyms may be upset. It is important to employ quality staff to get the most from the centre eg. Centre manager, Aquatics manager and Gym manager. Some of these may have to come from outside council staff.	Noted-service quality is very important

Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Water polo is one of the fastest growing sports with very limited dedicated space. YOU CANNOT GET RID OF THE WATER POLO POOL!! You need to support all interests in the community	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	option 2 is the best	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Do not want a shared water polo & lap pool. lap swimming would be interrupted whenever a water polo game or practise was on. Option 3 is cheaper & reasonable annual costs. Very excited about the upgrade!	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	<p>Option 1 is our preference as maximises pools , doesn't have a gym, and maintains the current old style set out which we really like. But it's expensive for ratepayers . We prefer no gym facilities as it makes the facility too busy and commercial, and parking will become impossible ( as per Leichardt which is now awful and far too crowded) . Plus there are gyms elsewhere. We'd prefer pool only facilities but accept the annual cost is high without gym revenue.</p> <p>Option 2 doesn't have a dedicated water polo pool which may impact lap swimmers. But if water polo is only on Saturdays and evenings- this seems the best option overall for cost, particularly with 10 lap lanes instead of 8.</p> <p>Option 3 is a good option for cost to maintain lap and recreational swimming by keeping a separate water polo pool, but we'd vote for 2 over 3 based on when we use the pool and that having a water polo pool sit unused for large periods doesn't maximise the facility use.</p>	Noted-a gym offsets the running costs as you have noted.

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Would very much welcome the family oriented areas, outdoor play and shade, new creche and gym/fitness facilities.	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I like that option 2 includes the BBQ and splashpad, however I'm a bit concerned on how the shared water polo and 50m pool would work. Also, I'm concerned about the 2m depth of this new pool - would there also be a shallower end for kids to enjoy? We visited the newly-refurbished Bexley pool and the outdoor pool is 1.5m at its shallowest, meaning people can't stand up in the pool and were clustered around the edges of the pool.	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Keep a water polo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 2 seems like good value, and the option of having a new 25m indoor as well as a dedicated green/BBQ/play pool area is great. The set-back from the street is nice as well.	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	A dedicated water polo pool is essential for both lap swimmers and water polo players. A combined 50m lap and water polo pool will be useless for lap swimmers when water polo players are training or competing, which seems to be very often in summer. Option 2 is expensive to operate and build. Option 2 doesn't satisfy my needs, Option 3 is both cheaper and suits what I want form a pool, ie. to swim.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Must have gym and water polo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Place needs more family rooms & showers for little kids	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	While it's extremely important to our family to have a separate 50m lap pool, and a separate water polo pool, (therefore Option 3) we think it's such a shame not to have an outdoor play pool for kids - either a shaded paddle pool or larger play pool. It would be perfect if Option 3 could incorporate some outdoor play option - perhaps instead of the green area behind the indoor pool? If Council is going to the trouble and expense of upgrading, then the facility might as well be as good as it possibly can be. After all, the area will always attract families, and needs to satisfy the whole community's needs for the next 50 or more years. Thank you	Noted. Outdoor play pool will be considered by Council.
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Option 1 is very similar to what the Ashfield Aquatic Centre looks like now. Option 2 is too busy. This option is cramming a whole lot of buildings, etc on the land, while option 3 has the better laid out of the all the options, and facilities the community requires. Also option 3 provides space for future improvements down the track.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Water polo pool has significant capital cost and on-going running costs but benefits a small number of people.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Consider better seating for spectators of water polo matches	Noted

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	<p>It is easy to spend someone else's money, but what would be the financial return in having such a grand facility.</p> <p>What is the demand for a water polo pool and what is the expected financial return from it.</p> <p>What is the estimate annual cost of running such a grand facility?</p> <p>There are about 15,000 visits a month, but how many are actual rate payers as they have to foot the bill.</p>	Financially, the water polo pool does not generate a return for the investment required. For the Aquatic Centre to generate a positive return the fees for learn to swim, entry etc would need to increase significantly. IWC is focused on a financially sustainable design that best meets community needs.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	<p>Option 1 is too expensive per annum;</p> <p>Option 2 reduces lapping facilities if water polo is on;</p> <p>Option 3 is preferred with lower cost and separate water polo</p> <p>Ashfield used to be my preferred pool - I now go to Leichhardt pool but would not like to think I can't visit Ashfield if it's likely water polo will be on, hence discarding Option 2</p>	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	<p>1. Option 1 seems to be less change, but same cost as Option 2</p> <p>2. Options 2 &amp; 3 seem to sacrifice Aquatic Center space for the sake of "Landscaped Public Area" on Elizabeth St. Who's going to want to sit on a busy road like Elizabeth St? Better off bringing the "Landscaped Public Area" into the Aquatic Center premises</p> <p>3. As per 2., can the "Landscaped Public Area" be brought into Aquatic Center premises and used as a "Splash Pad"?</p> <p>4. Option 2 seems to merge the 50m Outdoor Pool with Water Polo Pool. Could end up being very congested having one pool for multiple concurrent events</p> <p>5. Is the dotted rectangle to the right of "H" in option 3 a new outdoor/indoor 25m Pool?</p>	Noted. Council will consider amended designs to increase the green space within the centre.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	<p>I do not visit the pool as often as I should – I always plan to go once a week, but this turns into less than once a month.</p> <p>Having a gym and classes here as well would be wonderful!</p>	Noted



Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	<p>Why hasn't the waterpolo pool upgrade included spectator seating? Waterpolo is a spectator sport!</p> <p>The current set up doesn't offer any seating except sitting on the ant infested grass.</p> <p>Would be greatly appreciated by the waterpolo community if seating was supplied.</p>	Noted. The inclusion of grandstand seating will be considered by Council.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I like the second option the best but was really hoping the indoor play pools would be updated slightly. Also 'maintained in current condition' in all three proposals, gives the impression that that part of the pool is going to be left as is. At the moment it's pretty dismal. The change facilities are literally falling apart. I assume they're going to be refurbished?	Noted. In options 2 and 3 new change rooms will be provided.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	<p>I like the additional 25m indoor pool included in options 1 &amp; 2. The indoor area is very heavily used and provides utilities for a wide section of the community year round, including children and older people.</p> <p>I especially like the social outdoor &amp; splash pool included in Option 2 (and lower running costs is a bonus)</p>	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	While option 2 has reduced operational costs compared to option 3, by having an independent water polo pool, both swimming and water polo communities can live harmoniously 'in their own pools' with minimal disruption and angst.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	<p>Ashfield Pool is in a central location for all Waterpolo clubs in Sydney. We need this facility to have a dedicated Waterpolo pool so that all metropolitan clubs have somewhere to come together to train and play their games.</p> <p>Please consider Option 3 for the sake of our sport.</p> <p>Thank you</p>	Noted-water polo will be considered

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Why does each include a water polo pool? How much demand for that is there really? I don't see why some of the squads, which appear to be privately run, can't rent the numerous private school facilities in surrounding area.	There is a long history of water polo at the Ashfield Aquatic Centre and there is on-going demand from local water polo clubs.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	The innerwest could really do with a decent 50m pool. It would benefit squad swimmers and be a fantastic venue for local school carnivals and swimming club events.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Cannot see why Option 1 is so costly as it seems to have the least change from the present centre. In Option 3 there could be a 25m pool between letters H and K, south of the existing indoor pool hall. Option 2 is not acceptable as water polo would be subject to availability when swimming was not on. Having a separate water polo pool is absolutely essential. This is the home pool of the current National League champions and one of only 4 pools in all of Sydney especially built/suitable for water polo (the others are at Homebush, Sutherland and Parramatta and Parramatta is about to be destroyed!).	Option 1 does not include a gymnasium. Options 2 & 3 include a gymnasium. The gymnasium provides a significant income to Council
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	It also has the lowest ongoing costs	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 2 is not satisfactory for water polo as 2m depth is not sufficient. It will also restrict the use of the lap pool when water polo is being played. There are very few water polo pools in Sydney and it is a growing sport. Ashfield is very central and should be encouraging the use of its water polo facilities. Parramatta Pool is now closed so that is one less place we can play water polo.	Noted

Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 1 is probably too expensive as far as ongoing council costs Need 50m pool at all times, therefore H2O polo needs to be separate	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Increase/update family change rooms, keep water polo pool separate, Option 1 is too expansive, ongoing costs, keep 50 meter pool	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded.
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I don't want to use the gym, I don't want to have to subsidise those that do	Noted-the gym provides income and offsets the running costs of the Centre
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	The aquatic centre is important to Ashfield and we should invest in making it a desirable destination.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 2 would be a pity to lose the water polo facility More family change rooms please great to have more than 25m indoor lanes	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 2 great for the community :-)	Noted

Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Gym with creche is fantastic	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Ongoing costs to the Council is minimum in option 2	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Some of these options intertwine with each other. For eg. we would like to come to swim and to lessons plus have options for gym and other health classes plus social events & use of facilities like Annette Kellerman Marrickville pool	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Option 3 most desirable as fitness centre would complement existing facilities attract more patrons to swimming facility.	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Adding a water slide in.	Noted however not part of the concept designs.
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Current ongoing cost does not reflect state of existing facilities.	Noted

Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	It has the most features that might appeal to general public. It has the most options available and services that could provide	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Please complete ASAP, looking for it I love to see more KIDS activity based things in pool.	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	As soon as the pools are better would be good	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Very important to have enough toilets indoors and family change rooms. More options for kids & decent cafe with healthy options. More classes would be a bonus	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	A cafe that is open during learn to swim classes would be great	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Very good teaching institution (learn to swim) Great indoor facilities	Noted

Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	the best option 1 - but with shaded areas for spectators as school carnivals are hot also need an area for all round swimming lessons only.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 3 extra lanes in the swimming pool extra indoor pool, no dedicated water polo pool not needed	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	An outdoor splash area would be great.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	An entrance off the car park is great also a kids play area pool is good idea.	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	No gym, no space for studio classes, hot showers yes, Please NO gym changes atmosphere and gyms are everywhere. The pool has character & is great as it is just repair tiles etc. Do NOT make like any other place please.	Noted-the gym offsets the running costs. The pool has to be upgraded as it is at the end of its useful life.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	New landscaping badly needed. Cafe with a pleasant place to sit great idea, I don't use water polo pool myself (except when 50m full of swimming carnivals!) but separate polo pool a good idea if not prohibitively expensive. Also what about more accessible disabled change facilities?	New amenities will include fully accessible facilities.

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Must include a water polo pool. The water polo pool brings in great revenue through club training, state training, school water polo competitions and NSW Water polo games and tournaments.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Anything would be an improvement. All options are great.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Please maintain an outdoor pool with suitable depth for walking & running. Combined water polo + 50m would be unwelcome by laps swimmers I would think. Be great to maintain separate outdoor pools to maximise availability for all users.	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	It would be great to have facilities renewed like those available in Leichhardt Aquatic Centre, for example.	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	A gym is unnecessary as there are many gyms in the area. The money is better spent on the pool facilities	Noted-the gym offsets the running costs.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	<p>An Aquatic Centre should serve the needs it's title suggests. Not a creche, not a Gym!</p> <p>Why give away valuable space situated on Elizabeth street to the public?</p>	<p>Noted, Council will consider increasing green space within the centre while improving the public domain along Elizabeth Street.</p> <p>The costs were identified by an expert business analyst and are outlined in the</p>

	How is the stated 'ongoing cost to council' arrived at?	Business Case report.
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	It will be a travesty if the only winter water polo pool option for the oldest water polo club in Australia (balmain) is not available. Ashfield water polo pool is also the only wet water option when Dawnies is closed in summer due to pollution. This would represent further broken promises about water polo pools in the area - where is the Leichhardt water polo pool. It will also result in Water Polo become more of a bastion of privileged and elite private schools as training and game facilities in public pools disappear (such as Paramatta Pool). Our family... with 4 children, have passes at Ashfield, Leichhardt and Dawnies and do swim club, water polo, recreations swimming, NSW WP training etc. We spend a fortune at all of the council facilities -- as well as our rates. The council would be subject to a very extensive campaign from the plethora of olympic players (and gold medalists) who have trained and played at Ashfield pool. I am at a loss where the kids and the family of the area would train and play.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 2 is by far the best option	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	A designated water polo pool is a must!	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	When analysing cost you need to take into consideration the cost savings related to health. Obesity is increasing to childhood and having more accessible areas like these are more that vital in our community	Noted



Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	<p>There must be a water polo pool.</p> <p>Not including ones excludes an entire section of the community and a sport that has always been involved with Ashfield pool. From school kids through to the highest level...</p>	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	<p>I would like to see the continued commitment to the development of a waterpolo specific pool. Remember that summer when the waterpolo pool was closed and revenue dropped 20%. Since then the custom from waterpolo has doubled with little increase in other patronage. By having a specific pool for polo allows much more participation than a 25 and 50metre option.</p> <p>Pools that only offer a 50 metre multipurpose pool create conflict of users and can only accomodate swimmers or polo players not both dramatically reducing their revenue.</p>	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	<p>Option 3 with grandstand would be great even if it's scaled down. Because option 1 maintenance is so high I prefer option 3 as it could be more sustainable. Given all the games and training that occur every week, I was surprised that water polo wasn't mentioned in the introduction which could be read as supporting the swimming school over other community activities. Thank you.</p>	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	<p>The Wests water polo club is the best water polo club in Australia. Wests water polo has called Ashfield aquatic centre home for decades, where it has brought in countless pieces of silverware. Having a purpose built water polo pool is a necessity for Ashfield aquatic centre. Beyond the club, Ashfield hosts many state, nationals and representative competitions which brings in a lot of business. Please consider the water polo pool as a necessity for future plans for the centre.</p>	N Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	<p>Whatever you do keep catering for water polo.</p>	Noted-water polo will be considered

Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	I prefer option 3. It is cheaper over the first 70 years (roughly) and it retains the water polo pool for the polo players.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Waterpolo pool is needed	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I like the setback in plan 2. But more than that the splash area with shade is an amazing addition. In order I prefer 2, 3 and I really don't like 1. The additional annual cost of plan 1 combined with the higher initial cost does not appeal considering the benefits of plan 2 in providing a terrific experience for casual users.	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	I like the idea of the cafe opening to the street. Fitness centre would be great and a dedicated waterpolo pool is needed so option 2 doesn't work.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Water polo requires a dedicated pool as it will clash time-wise with swimming classes	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Separate water polo is an extravagance, and expensive to run. Overall amenity is key.	Noted

Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Retaining the water polo pool is essential!	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Please do not remove the water polo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Please do not remove the water polo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Please keep a dedicated water polo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Please keep a dedicated water polo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	The facility needs to retain a dedicated water polo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered

Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Must have a dedicated water polo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	<p>A pocket park on Elizabeth St will definitely get used and will improve cafe patronage. Consider additional upgrades to Elizabeth St to further improve this space and encourage pool patronage. These upgrades could include reduced traffic speed to 40km/ph, tree planting, a dedicated cycleway and footpath widening to encourage walking and cycling to the pool.</p> <p>Removing the grandstands removes a significant amount of casual seating and significantly reduces shade to the 50m pool. Consider either;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- keeping the western grandstand by extending south and modifying at the north to fit with new splash pad by 'stepping down'</li> <li>- provide new shade structures and shade tree planting in western carpark and incorporate a range of casual seating options (<a href="http://logranotes.com/the-hanging-gardens-of-new-york/">http://logranotes.com/the-hanging-gardens-of-new-york/</a>)</li> </ul> <p>Location of plant and access reduces amenity of grass back to south of 50m pool. Consider locating plant to allow access from one of the two car parks.</p> <p>Provide shade tree planting to edges of carparks. Long term (outside of this project) all parking should be relocated to east car park, on top of a ground floor gym / community facility, and a large park created on the west carpark site.</p>	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	I think its important to have a separate water polo pool.	Noted-water polo will be considered

## Attachment 2: Council Response to Community Comments Report

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 1 - poor choice as extremely high yearly cost. Option 2 - a gate in the 50 m pool to enable water polo - bad idea for both lap swimmers and polo players. Option 3 - sensibly keeps 50 m pool separate from water pool pool. Better yearly cost. Addition of gym will bring customers, extend fitness to say parents while kids in squad, and revenue.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I rarely use Ashfield pool anymore as it doesn't have adequate facilities, myself and family go to Leichhardt pool.	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre and the upgrade will attract more families.
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Please explain to me how the original costings were calculated so badly. For a family that does not use this facility now or in the future how did the council get it so wrong. It is ridiculous that I will be hit with the increased council rates for something I don't use. Only suggestion keep it simply no GYM's, BBQ's etc. I'll end up paying for this so my view counts.	Inner West Council will utilise combined working capital funds available from all three former Councils to provide a facility that benefits the community for the next 30-50 years. Income from a gym offsets ongoing running costs.
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	If Option 3 used the existing Grandstand & had the 25m indoor as in Option 2 it would be the best option. Of the three Options - Option 1 is the best for the people who use the pool the most i.e 1. year round morning lap swimmers 2. Water polo 3. Learn to swim 4. Ashfield Amateur Swimming club 5. Local schools for learn to swim & swimming carnival 6. Aqua aerobics.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Option 2 concerns me as I don't think it's a good idea to combine the two functions - 50 metre lap pool and water polo pool. It could mean that there would be times that the lap pool was closed to ordinary resident usage.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	It's crazy to demolish and architectural building of the 1950s like this where is your sense of culture? Where is the sustainability in demolishing big concrete structures? How could it possibly work to put an entrance on the more busy Frederick Street The site master planning of option to an option three does not operate	The existing Centre has been assessed by a specialist heritage consultant who has identified there is no heritage significance associated with the existing centre. The masonry in the existing buildings and pools will be crushed and

	at all please stop considering them now. Please stop frustrating the progress of option one.	recycled along with steel etc. The new entrance is not facing Frederick Street.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 2 seems the best option with lots of green space	Noted-landscaping will be considered in the final design
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	<p>The price of the projects seem absolutely backwards... Why would you pay more and take on one less pool, which completely neglects one of the biggest user bases that serve the Aquatic Centre.</p> <p>In addition, I think the original estimates for the costing of the project cannot mirror that of conditions placed within any such tender that was priced. The tendered prices cannot be nearly twice that of what was estimated without significant construction risk involved.</p> <p>In reviewing the on-going costs of the new facilities, if the council is concerned about the ongoing funding of the facilities then Option 3 appears to be the best option on all fronts. Providing the most facilities out of all 3 options, being the cheapest of all 3 options and significantly less ongoing costs compared to what is being delivered as apart of the project. I believe that the user base by getting rid of the Water Polo specific pool will significantly reduce the user base of the pool, in that not only do Water Polo Clubs keep this pool booked out, also Under Water Hockey, Canoe Polo and when the pool is free, it is often used for Swim School &amp; Supervised Public use.</p> <p>By refurbishing the pool and maintaining the water polo pool, the council will inevitably increase their user base even further with grand new facilities which will surely offset their costs and ongoing overheads of the venue.</p>	Noted-for consideration in final design

Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	<p>I like Option 1.</p> <p>Options 2 and 3 have new entrance buildings / facilities. It would be nice but why?</p> <p>I would like to see a direct link to the Bastable Street car park included in Option 1 (My preferred Option) - through the side fence and across the stormwater canal.</p> <p>Bike parking needs to be viewed from within the pool complex.</p> <p>Please consider the 25m pool and pool hall as a Stage 2 Option (to be considered for possible future implementation).</p> <p>How is the "Ongoing cost to Council" to be paid?</p>	<p>Options 2 and 3 provide a new entrance building with new amenities, café and level 1 health and fitness facility. The building is to be set back from Elizabeth Street to allow better access from both the Bastable and Frederick Street car parking areas. Suggestion re bike parking is noted.</p> <p>The Aquatic Centre will generate revenue from its patrons and the shortfall is funded from Council revenues including rates and other general revenue.</p>
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Preferred option is 2 but then feel that it's a shame for the water polo not to have a pool	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	<p>Only option 1 has a grandstand, which would allow the pool to host school carnivals. But I really love the 10 lane pool in Option 2. This gives the the best variety of configurations. I.e. you can run multiple lanes across the pool if it is 50m x 25m - lessons and squads, plus public swimming. You can set up for waterpolo and have 2 games going at the same time 25m each. The only problem is people complain if waterpolo takes up the whole pool.</p> <p>However, the 30m dedicated waterpolo pool is the only one of it's kind in the area. The only other one I know if is at Sutherland. You should KEEP the waterpolo pool. Waterpolo development in the inner west is very strong. So many kids are playing so we need more pools for both training and games.</p> <p>If only there was the option 4 consisting of 10 lane 50m x 25m pool, Dedicated 30m waterpolo pool, Grandstand or viewing area for both</p>	Noted

	<p>these pools, and an indoor 8 lane 25m. This would set up Ashfield Pool as the premier facility to host high level swimming carnivals and waterpolo tournaments, squads and learn to swim.</p> <p>It should be a dedicated Aquatic facility if possible. Food service a must. A small gym area would be required for dry land training if you are to attract a top coach and develop State and National level swimmers. This could be built on top of indoor pool with admin offices and cafe. Sounds like you need to knock it all down and start again! It might be cheaper in the long run.</p>	
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Only a minority of people play water polo. I don't think that this needs to be a priority for a community swim centre. There is no local swim centre that caters well to families with an outdoor setting. I think this should be the main priority.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	We usually go to Leichhardt aquatic centre for the gym but would definitely change to Ashfield if a gym was installed. 10 lanes for the lap pool would help alleviate the extra traffic expected after refurbishments	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	The current indoor pool hall is extremely busy with classes and aqua aerobics. it is very hard for casual users to get access so I favour options that increase the amount of indoor pool space.	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	As long as there is a waterpolo pool I am happy	Noted



Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Waterpolo pool should be kept in plans.	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	It's a shame to lose the outdoor kid's pool. When they're aged between 3 - 8 (approx) the 50m pool is too big for them to play in and the indoor splash pool is fun but doesn't allow them to build their confidence in the same way that the current pool does. And it's also a unique thing for Ashfield to have that outdoor pool when compared to other facilities in the area. Option 3 looks like the better financial option as well as still providing scope in the space next to the water polo pool for future options. Good luck!	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	As a family with two kids under 5 we're mostly looking to use the centre for swim school, casual swimming with shaded areas, a cafe and water play with good parking.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	DO NOT REMOVE DEDICATED WATERPOLO POOL	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	DO NOT REMOVE DEDICATED WATERPOLO POOL	Noted

Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	<p>My main interest is water polo at the centre, i think that retaining a sole, 30m polo pool is absolutely essential.</p> <p>There is definitely potential to put seating or a grandstand on the hilled area - this would allow the pool to host large scale water polo events - such as final games, tournaments etc. which i think would be a good investment</p> <p>Overall, I lean towards option 3 rather than 1 due to the gym and creche facilities. I used to work as a lifeguard at Des Renford Leisure Centre in Maroubra, both before and after they built the new gym facilities, introduced the creche service and updated all the amenities. I definitely noticed an increase in patronage, and the idea of having all services in one - ie gym and pool and classes etc etc is definitely appealing to customers and allows the centre to really establish itself in the community. the only other places with similar facilities are like virgin active gyms which are very pricey, making it an exciting opportunity for council!</p> <p>also just quietly, DRLC was pushing 1million in profits per year after the new gym introduced.. gym definitely helped and also having the capacity to expand their swim school.</p>	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I think Option 3 gives the best mix of facilities, establishment costs and ongoing costs.	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	<p>I don't understand why option 1 is more than twice the ongoing cost to council of Option 2 when option 2 provides new plant and equipment and many other new features.</p> <p>I can't see how having just one pool for swimming and water polo - albeit more lanes- is viable</p> <p>I can see a health and fitness studio would be attractive to many.</p> <p>I think it is important to have a new 25 metre indoor pool in addition to</p>	Option 1 does not include a gymnasium. Options 2 & 3 include a gymnasium. The gymnasium provides a significant income to Council that offsets the running costs of the pool.

	the current one, as swim school takes up a lot of hours, particularly on weekends, in the existing setup.	
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Need a dedicated water polo pool. It is a growing sport in local communities, as well as school sport. Other centres are proposing dedicated water polo pools - to meet a need. A dedicated gym and/or fitness area is desirable, but would not be the main reason I would attend Ashfield Pool. I would attend for the water polo and swimming, the gym facilities would be a bonus. The new pools will also be desirable for local schools.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Ashfield Aquatic centre's core business is as an AQUATIC centre. Currently lap swimming can go ahead in Summer in the water polo pool when there are swimming carnivals, which there are almost every week. The indoor pool water temperature is TOO HOT for serious lap swimming. So if the water polo pool is removed we will have to drive elsewhere for lap swimming during the Summer swimming carnival season! Also, the grandstands are important for school swimming carnivals. Removal of grandstands detracts from the core business of providing an adequate venue for whole-school swimming carnivals. Other pools such as Enmore and Canterbury have compromised audience space so swimming carnivals must be limited to participant only and detract from whole school participation. The water polo pool is hugely needed in the local area for water polo training and sharing the 50m pool would limit lap swimming to 25m, which seriously compromises lap swimming, which is getting more and more crowded already. Also, whilst a gym would be a benefit, and probably well patronised, it appears the architects have prioritised a pretty entrance and wasted space on landscaping in an already full footprint. If the architects do not have the imagination to incorporate a gym with all the existing pools and the gym comes at the cost of a pool IT IS COMPROMISING the CORE BUSINESS of the AQUATIC centre and should be dropped. The decision to keep all pools should not be made	Noted

	on the running costs because of COURSE providing more swimming facility WILL cost more, but is nevertheless needed as a rare public swimming and water polo facility in the Inner West for a growing population. There is no there public water polo pool in the council region and no other 50 meter pool with grandstand facilities for whole school swimming carnivals. There are plenty of gyms around because they are more flexible in where they can be accommodated. The full range of pool facilities at Ashfield will not be replaced elsewhere if they are removed and will be a huge loss to future generations if a shortsighted decision is made now. Surely one benefit of amalgamating councils is that the cost burden of providing the separate public water polo pool for the whole region and the only full grandstand for whole school swimming carnivals can be spread across a larger population.	
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I feel that we need to keep a 25m indoor pool for the amount of people that visit in summer otherwise if it gets to crowded in other pools I won't be using the facilities.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 2 appears to be a better all round project.	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	With option 1 and 3 regarding the Waterpolo pool. On the grass section facing the railway a small seated grandstand would be ideal as that pool is highly used within the Waterpolo community not just for the local club but used by nsw Waterpolo and Waterpolo Australia.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Please keep the water polo pool, it is essential.	Noted

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	<p>The Amenities are too far away from the waterpolo pool.</p> <p>There is no seating for water polo pool. There should be at the least a covered grandstand for this area. This is very important for spectators and players. At the moment I hate coming to the Ashfield pool. I would rather sit in the car and wait for my son than come in.</p> <p>If the pool was indoor it would be fantastic as the pool is used all year round and late at night and early in the morning winter and summer.</p> <p>Waterpolo is becoming more and more popular, you need to think about the future. Maybe a second pool wide enough and deep enough near the water polo pool that could be used for both swimming and water polo would be a great idea. It makes sense.</p>	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Exclusive water polo pool is essential to make this facility a world class aquatic centre which will attract more people in the community to use the facilities, as well as a draw card for more water polo specific events and programs to be held at Ashfield International Aquatic Centre.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 2 states that a 2M deep pool could be used for water polo. 2M is not deep enough as some players are that tall.	Noted-2.1m is the standard depth for water polo
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Option 2 would render the facility useless for water polo.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	combining swim pool and water pool would drastically reduce available times and result in conflict between groups	Noted

Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	<p>My family and I would not go to the pool to use the front green space area. There are other parks within the council area that we would do this.</p> <p>We go to the pool to swim and be involved in the water polo club.</p>	Noted-landscaping inside the Centre will be considered in the final design
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Definitely need a water polo specific pool	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	<p>It would be great to have some seating around the water polo pool some of which is shaded.</p> <p>Ideally a club room that looks out over the pool to host spectators and visiting teams and house the clubs impressive national title trophies. This would also provide a function space which could be utilised by other local clubs.</p>	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Want a dedicated water polo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	<p>I think ongoing costs to the Council are a an important factor and therefore OP1 is ruled out because of that.</p> <p>The best and cheapest is OP3 provided provision is made for extra running costs out of the overall capital expenditure.</p>	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Make more kids play tool eg slide for waiting for swimming class	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre

Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	The change rooms need to be refurbished ASAP Variety of water play needed for 0-12 Entrance customer service needs to be trained friendliness	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded. Customer service is very important.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Hope our AQUA Aerobics is not cancelled for long	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 2 is my preferred splash pad sounds great	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Option 2 seems to be the most community minded approach	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	My children love the play pool area so would love to see this expanded as we would visit more often outside of their swimming lessons.	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Love option 2	Noted

Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	I think that the area is well serviced with gyms and cafes. I don't think space should be yielded to cafe seating away from the pool area. Focus on being a pool with good poolside services. Enough family changing rooms (have to queue often) Hooks on walls to hang bags & backpacks off wet floors! you can get hooks which recess when not in use, poolside I mean! Gutter under the pool covers so they don't drip on the bench seats!!	Noted-the gym offsets the running costs/ change rooms will be upgraded. Other comments to be considered in final design.
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	What I didn't like about option 3 is not having the 25m pool. Need the extra 25m for the amount of kids and families swimming in summer.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Not satisfied with number of change rooms within the indoor pool section.	Change rooms will be upgraded.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Need more water based play areas, changing facilities need improving for sure	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 2 looks useable for everyone and the improvements are great.Council to be congratulated	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Water polo pool potentially unnecessary for most of the public	Noted



## Attachment 2: Council Response to Community Comments Report

Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	cost wise option 2 is the best and it still has all the facilities I love and more	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Ongoing cost in option 1 is a concern as i am a rate payer.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	This was long overdue very happy that it's finally happening	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Happy with either option 1 or 3 as it allows for a new Water Polo Pool	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Squad teachers could take a more encouraging approach to training make it enjoyable! Kids are not in the army.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	All have obvious advantages	Noted

Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Very happy with options 1 & 3 as it allows for a Water Polo Pool	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Showers that are more accessible to people with disabilities (ie with seating) would be high on my list of priorities and a new 25m lap pool.	Noted-accessibility is very important
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 1 running costs are so expansive I'm guessing that would make the fees rise.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I don't care for a cafe serving Elizabeth St, it seems irrelevant to the pool. I like the splash pad with sails in option 2. It's really important when you have little kids to have shade and somewhere to play. Also I like the new indoor pool in option 1, I don't like sharing the 50m pool with water polo in option 2. I would really like new change rooms & showers inside indoor pool so they don't have to go in the cold winter.	Noted. Council will consider all suggestions in the detailed design phase.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I wish there would be lots of play areas for kids	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Need to ensure there is a dedicated waterpolo pool as there are few around.	Noted-water polo will be considered

Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	There are fewer places to winter swim and play water polo in Sydney. We even travel from Bondi to come to your great pool, especially in the winter. Lap swimmers should get to have their outdoor winter heated pools, and not be impacted on by the water polo teams. Please keep the water polo seperate. We love water polo and lap swimming.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	addition of a gym and fitness centre would be fantastic	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I would like to opt for the option that is the most cost effective as this would have less impact on Council rates.	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Ashfield pool hosts non shared water polo facilities used by schools an elite participants.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I'd like to see option 3 happen with a grandstand on the existing hill on the south side of the water polo pool. Option 2 seems inadequate for the number of spectators and the current lack of a shaded grandstand is what turns most spectators away.	Noted-shade is important
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	You've gotta keep a designated water polo pool - it's the home of the National League champs.	Noted-water polo will be considered

Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	A dedicated water polo pool is essential	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Don't forget a water polo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Shade for water polo spectators	Noted-shade is important
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Option 3 seems very appealing, seems modern and seems to satisfy most requirements	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 2 is excellent because an extra pool is needed but not the water polo pool and the 10-lane new pool is a more efficient option.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Ashfield is important to water polo. Upgrade the water polo pool and add better seating for it while keeping up the parking	Noted-water polo will be considered

Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Annette Kellerman and Leichhardt Park centres are well-designed and a pleasure to use the facilities. Living in Haberfield, it is easier for me to walk to LPAC where I am a member. Keep ongoing costs low and ensure centre is run efficiently is a priority. Option 1 is too expensive to run annually. Water polo is a good sport for youth and as Op 2 doesn't have this, I support option 3 overall.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Water polo is key	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	It would be a travesty to remove the dedicated water polo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Many pools are closing and recreation areas getting smaller. They keep on telling us that children are becoming obese!!	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I regularly play Water Polo at Ashfield and would love to see this continue. Thank you :)	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	My Family visit Ashfield pool in the summer 4 days a week. During winter we visit twice weekly. The water polo pool is extremely important for the local kids. We travel from Drummoyne because we are associated with Wests water polo club. We also are regular lap swimmers.	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre

Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	We come to Ashfield mainly for Water polo and NSW Academy training. I think the new pool for 50M and WP would be awesome for the game and people in Sydney	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Need Waterpolo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	You have current national water polo champions including current and future olympians attending your pool nearly 7 days per week. They are a major user and drawcard to your facility. The place really needs an upgrade including seating and shade but most of all patronage - it would not be smart to alienate the current user groups - as a businessman it makes no sense to me to consider not having a dedicated water polo pool.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Waterpolo is the reason why I come to this facility.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Water Polo pool is a great asset only a small number of complexes in Sydney have a water polo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 3 is the most inclusive - from infants to elderly	Noted-inclusion is a key principle for the refurbishment

Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- There won't be enough parking if gym included</li> <li>- More family change rooms</li> <li>- exit turnstile to exit directly into the carpark avoiding a long unnecessary walk</li> </ul>	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded. Other comments to be considered in final design.
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	The new Aquatic Centre needs to include a Water Polo pool, it is a growing sport in Australia and there are already limited dedicated water polo pools in Sydney. It would be a tragedy to lose the Water Polo pool as it would severely impact local schools and clubs, and the growth of the sport in the inner west..	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 3 seems to be the best value for council in terms of sustainability and running costs	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Option 1 and 2 are great but the biggest factor is the depth of the pool. The underwater rugby club needs 3.8 meters to be a competition standard. Furthermore, there have been a significant number of pools in the Sydney area that have undergone similar refurbishments that have seen the loss of a deep pool. There are only two other pools in Sydney region that have a deep section and they are incredibly full as there are an increasing number of sports that have to share the space. If Ashfield were to lose its depth, it would have a huge impact on a growing sport not only in Sydney but Australia wide.	The pool depth is as per that endorsed by the former Ashfield Council in the original tender option. A deep water pool is available at Leichhardt Park Aquatic Centre for sports that require additional depth.
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Make sure you continue to offer Water polo	Noted-water polo will be considered

Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Ashfield pool is the key water polo hub for western sydney which as residents we can't afford to lose	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I am unsure if the options to have a new water polo pool will be deep. As a member of the underwater rugby club we need a pool that is at least 3.5m deep to play in. If the new water polo pool in options 1 and 3 would be 3.8m deep as the old one is then my response moves to extremely satisfied for those two.	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Keep the waterpolo atleast 3.5 metres deep. So there is somewhere to play underwater rugby.	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	My only concern is that without a dive pool/water polo pool there will be no option to play underwater rugby at Ashfield any more. Since there are very few pools with a deep section in Sydney in general, this would deprive us of a location for trainings and competitions.	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	None of the options actually explain the depth/dimensions of the "waterpolo" pool, for underwater rugby, to pool should be 5m deep and at least 10mx18m wide/long (without sloped walls)	The separate water polo pool is 2.1m deep and full size for water polo competition.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Water polo pool could be made deeper eg 3-5m, which will not affect polo players but will allow underwater sports such as underwater rugby to also use the pool. NSW has a nationally and internationally competitive underwater rugby team, and renovations that remove the access to deep water currently available will stop training at this facility, and not serve the user community	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.



Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Need to keep a deep section in the water polo pool for underwater rugby	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Options 1 & 3 would receive an Extremely Satisfied approval if the depth is left at it's current level of 3.8metres deep.  Also to tile the floor and walls of the pool with smooth tiles (as apposed to textured tiles).	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	I like the options 1 and 3 as long as the dedicated water polo pool keeps the deep end to practice underwater rugby. This pool is the only in Sydnry with the standards measurements to play underwater rugby please do not take it away from us.	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Definitely need a water polo pool	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	As long as we keep the deep end :)	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Options 1 and 2 are great as long as you keep the deep end for Underwater Rugby! We are a growing club that will drive business and we need your pool!	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.

Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Keep the water polo pool - it gets used a lot. Make sure that it has a deep end like it does now so that we can play underwater rugby!!	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Like option 3 best-	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	The pool for water polo should also be built with underwater rugby in mind as well (3.5 to 5 metres deep with 5 m preferred	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	The current depth of the water polo is appreciated and should be kept including the 3.5m section	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Keep the deep pool	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Dedicated water polo pool should keep its 3.8 meters deep end.  Here are some facts to explain myself: Underwater rugby is growing in NSW and Australia. NSW team won two years (maybe more) in a row the national competitions of this sport. There isn't good enough pools with 3.8 Deep end around Sydney to	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.

	<p>train the players.</p> <p>Ashfield Acquatic Centre is currently the best pool to practice/train this sport in Sydney not only for the pool features/measurements but also for its location.</p> <p>We want to continue to grow this fantastic sport in NSW and Australia.</p> <p>We want to win more trophies and medals.</p>	
<p>Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied</p>	<p>option 1 should be cheaper as it retains the majority of what is currently there. I don't understand the cost numbers between the three options considering the vastly different scopes of works to be done. the best option would be to have option 1, with a slight introduction of options two and three around the front entrance, picnic area, kids splash area and recreation rooms/gyms stretching from where the current change rooms are across the entrance trough to where the current cafe is. there is no need to touch the current outdoor olympic lap pool or water polo pools except to refurbish them. similarly the current small outdoor pool can be covered with an extension from the current indoor pool. Council should be able to do the majority of the works themselves with the existing pool of funds. Options 2 and 3 have section B which is landscaped area along Elizabeth St-this space will rarely be utilized because it is outside of the venue and along the street and as such it is better to allocate it to another resource such as meeting rooms. Picnic areas should be near the kids pools. overall the centre should not takeaway what we have now in terms of pools, seating or other amenities, it should give more. as such there should be no loss of a pool for anyone nor any compromise between users. there is enough land and funds to refurb the pools rather than replace, create new meeting rooms, move the entrance and provide new change rooms. when considering the plans, can you please also consider such things as: do not place pool covers over the seats- currently in the indoor pool, when the pool covers are lifted, they drip on top of the seats whilst parents are awaiting learn to swim. also can you provide shelving perhaps beneath/above seats so that bags/towels can be placed in them rather than currently being placed on seats taking up valuable sitting room. further, there is no need for floor to ceiling windows as in the current indoor pool, windows can commence from halfway up and</p>	<p>Option 1 includes building three new pools 50m, 25m and the Water Polo Pool; the construction costs of pools are higher than of new buildings. Therefore Option 1 is the most expensive as it includes three new pools.</p> <p>The pool shells and associated water treatment and heating systems are at the end of their useful life and need to be replaced.</p> <p>Noted. Cost plans for each option were prepared by expert consultants. Suggestions will be considered in the detailed design phase.</p>

	thereby seats can be placed at the lower half as there is a significant shortage of seats. please also provide non slip and non heat covering to the concrete areas around and between the pools.	
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	<p>option 1 should be cheaper as it retains the majority of what is currently there. I don't understand the cost numbers between the three options considering the vastly different scopes of works to be done. the best option would be to have option 1, with a slight introduction of options two and three around the front entrance, picnic area, kids splash area and recreation rooms/gyms stretching from where the current change rooms are across the entrance trough to where the current cafe is. there is no need to touch the current outdoor olympic lap pool or water polo pools except to refurbish them. similarly the current small outdoor pool can be covered with an extension from the current indoor pool. Council should be able to do the majority of the works themselves with the existing pool of funds. Options 2 and 3 have section B which is landscaped area along Elizabeth St-this space will rarely be utilized because it is outside of the venue and along the street and as such it is better to allocate it to another resource such as meeting rooms. Picnic areas should be near the kids pools. overall the centre should not takeaway what we have now in terms of pools, seating or other amenities, it should give more. as such there should be no loss of a pool for anyone nor any compromise between users. there is enough land and funds to refurb the pools rather than replace, create new meeting rooms, move the entrance and provide new change rooms. when considering the plans, can you please also consider such things as: do not place pool covers over the seats- currently in the indoor pool, when the pool covers are lifted, they drip on top of the seats whilst parents are awaiting learn to swim. also can you provide shelving perhaps beneath/above seats so that bags/towels can be placed in them rather than currently being placed on seats taking up valuable sitting room. further, there is no need for floor to ceiling windows as in the current indoor pool, windows can commence from halfway up and thereby seats can be placed at the lower half as there is a significant</p>	<p>Option 1 includes building three new pools 50m, 25m and the Water Polo Pool; the construction costs of pools are higher than of new buildings. Therefore Option 1 is the most expensive as it includes three new pools.</p> <p>The pool shells and associated water treatment and heating systems are at the end of their useful life and need to be replaced.</p> <p>Noted. Cost plans for each option were prepared by expert consultants. Suggestions will be considered in the detailed design phase.</p>

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Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	A replacement water polo pool at least 3.8m deep, but preferably 5m to continue training in underwater rugby.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	I like option 3 as my family visits the area for water polo. I also work in the area and use the 50m pool during my lunch break to do laps.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	As a member of the underwater rugby club that trains at Ashfield, I feel it is important that the deep area of the water polo pool is maintained after the refurbishments. We require at least 3.5 mts depth to play our sport	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Please do not replace the deep pool. This would especially negatively impact local teams (eg the underwater rugby team) as it would take away an essential training space.	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Option 2 gets rid of the deep pool for water polo which is the only pool I am particularly interested in as it is the perfect depth for playing underwater rugby. Therefore I like option 1 and 3 but not 2. It is also the closest deep pool to where I live that we are allowed to train in (for underwater rugby), which is a huge deal!	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.

Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Options 1 and 2 as long as the water polo pool keep the deep end. Thank you	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	The water polo pool should keep its current depth of 3.8 m.	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	need a full length 50m pool with designated lanes for lap swimming with marked speed lanes	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Please make a section of the water polo deep enough for underwater rugby	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Please keep the deep dive pool	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	We use the waterpolo pool and would also like to make use of gym facilities. The third option appears to meet these needs at a lower initial and ongoing cost.	Noted

Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I would like to have a deeper zone in the Waterpolo swimming pool to allow different diving activities.	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I like option 2 where the grass open area is at the front so everyone will make more use of it rather than where it currently is at the back and i also like the additional spalsh pad with shade for the kids to play.	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 2 seems like the best value for money, involves the greatest improvement to the facilities and involves the lowest ongoing costs. I would like to see the free creche maintained, and i would like to emphasise that this is the feature that makes me choose Ashfield over other pools. This has not been included in the first two survey questions which shows a flaw in its design	Noted-the creche is important and should have been included in the survey
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	The water polo pool needs to be shaded with some kind of seating.	Noted-shade will be considered in the final design.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 3 seems the best option for me due to the price and what is included giving value for money. The water polo pool should remain so that the main pool does not need to be closed / partially closed for water polo. The gym is very important for physical fitness. The gym is not included in option 1 and the water polo pool is not included in option 2. Also option 3 includes the frontal beautification and facilities and prices a lot better than option2.	Noted-water polo will be considered, as will be landscaping.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Please have separate swim school pool to a 50m pool & a water polo pool. Put as many facilities as possible as it only becomes a night mare to future generations - otherwise do it correctly the first	Noted-water polo will be considered

Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	What happened to all the pools in Sydney that used to have diving boards? We have to travel to Leichhardt or Auburn to get a pool with diving boards for kids to jump off and play in. It doesn't even have to be those giant 10 metre towers, just spring boards up to 2 or 3 metres high. My kids would love it, but so few kids these days get to experience jumping off diving boards anymore, it's such a shame. It would be fantastic if the new centre could bring this back.	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m. the deeper the pool, the more expensive it is to maintain.
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Option 1 and 3 would be good if the water polo pool retains its 3.8m depth.	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	<p>Hi Ashfield Aquatic Centre,</p> <p>As an Individual, who grew up and has spent almost their whole life in Sydney's inner west and an Australian representative of the Men's National Underwater Rugby Team, I strongly encourage the inclusivity of a pool that suits the playing of this incredible and fast growing sports in Australia.</p> <p>If the dimensions are with in regulations then Ashfield Aquatic pool could become Australia's premier choice of pool, encouraging regular local competitions, national competitions (which Ashfield has hosted before) and if suitable international competitions.</p> <p>The advantage Ashfield has over other pools is the right angled walls and current dimensions. The disadvantage is the unconfirmed new dimentions and current rough concrete walls.</p> <p>If you keep the current water polo pool's deep end and resurface edges with a smooth membrane then Ashfield will remain a leader in underwater rugby compatible pools and can keep local and national patronage.</p>	Noted-a deep water pool is available at Leichhardt. The proposed depth of the water polo pool is 2.1m.



	<p>We appreciate Ashfield's support over the years and hope you consider this sports future at Ashfield too. As you know community pools are rarely built or upgraded. I hope this new design is successfully inclusive of the whole pool community.</p> <p>In appreciation of your consideration. Informally yours.</p> <p>Scott Philip</p> <p>(FYI Regulation UWR dimensions are L12-18m, W8-12m and D 3.5 - 5m,)</p>	
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Make the waterpolo pool Olympic standard.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	We use the centre twice a week for waterpolo and it would be a shame to not have the dedicated facility for the sport.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I stopped going with my family to Ashfield Pool because between learn to swim and aqua-aerobics we often had no shaded (or warm) place to swim. We went from annual pass holders to infrequent casual visitors because of this.	Noted- the refurbishment should prove to be a drawcard for local families.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Water polo is a growing sport. Training and playing in a pool that is the the right size and depth is crucial to building champion teams and players. Council has a responsibility to the community to ensure that this great sport is accessible to the public and not push it to bring sport that only kids in the private system e.g. Newington, MLC and schools with their own pools, can play. The private schools charge huge amounts of money for the privilege of training in their facilities. A cost	Noted-water polo will be considered

	that a lot of clubs can't afford it. Do the right thing and keep the water polo pool.	
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Keep the Waterpolo pool please	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	<p>I prefer Option 2, because it doesn't have the Water Polo pool... which I think takes up too much space for the limited amount of use it must receive.. And Option 2 will still allow for Water Polo use.</p> <p>I like the idea of the setback entrance, with cafe and grassed areas. For me, visiting a pool is always about relaxing as well - it's nice to have a patch of green and sit down in the shade with a coffee.</p> <p>I would also love it if the Aqua Aerobic classes were held in the evenings. I'm a 57 year old woman who works part time, and as it is, I can only attend the Friday morning classes... weekends are too busy for me and traffic is horrendous. An evening Aqua class one or two nights during the week would be fantastic! Thanks, Wendy</p>	Noted-for consideration in final design and programming
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	<p>Option 2 seems like the one that is for the people of the surrounding suburbs and not just for the private school families that play water polo. I really like the idea of the shade sails and splash pad I think it would make a great gathering place for young families. I'm not sure if I would use a gym at the pool but I may. Thank you for all your work on this.</p>	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	<p>I don't think options that remove pools in existing us serve the community well.</p> <p>Adding gym facilities shouldn't come at the expense of existing pool facilities unless this benefits more people within the community (e.g. by getting more people active).</p> <p>We use the Leichhardt aquatic centre a lot and they have the balance right - multiple pools that serve many needs, cafe and picnic areas,</p>	Noted-the gym offsets the running costs as well as encouraging activity. Contemporary facilities are a drawcard for Aquatic Centres.

	separate gym and community facilities. Great if this can be replicated at Ashfield.	
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Inner West Council should keep the water polo as it is the only one in the Inner West Council apart from Dawn Fraser Pool which is unusable in winter.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Suits us with a new water polo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Any options are ok as it is a pool area that needs upgrading. Agym would be good but not essential .	Noted-the gym offsets the running costs.
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- want hot showers in change rooms and hot spa</li> <li>- all options are quite expensive to build but really want the hot showers</li> </ul>	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded.
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	all expensive to build please add hot showers in the indoor pool area	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded.

Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	would like to think pool area would be covered	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Is the smaller outdoor pool going to exist ? This out door pool is great for kids learning to swim	Noted. Council will consider options for younger children.
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Renovate existing family change room and consider putting hot showers in .	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	It's a bust area and not allot of land so not necessary to set back from the entrance.	Noted-landscaping internally will be considered in the final design
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	all options are nice but must be sustainable	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	showers need refurbishing and easy access is required from indoor pool. Not sure what amenities covers?	Noted-change rooms will be upgrade and access improved

Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Please don't close the creche when building I like option 2 but don't want a gym because of parking issues Option 1 better if entrance over canal Is the pool heated ? Could be good for aqua classes .	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	more indoor bathrooms please	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	separate sports pool is a good option	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	These options look hot ! Centre is due for an upgrade tho .	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	need water therapies area	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	proposed plans very good and comprehensive	Noted

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Number 2 is the preferred option	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	need to focus on pools	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option1 - focus on swimming & water polo options 2& 3 more gym focused and entrance  Focus should be on pool	Noted-however the gym offsets the running costs.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I think it would be good to improve, not just maintain, the indoor pool hall - it's incredibly noisy in there. I also think there should be children toilets and sinks near where small children will be swimming a lot. It's incredibly important children are toileted before swimming to avoid disruption to pool services. But it's impractical taking children to adult toilets and using high sinks. Leichhardt pool did a good job of improving things. But really missed an opportunity in providing children toilets and basins - given a significant proportion of their swimmers in the indoor pool must be small children. I also think there should be free hot showers. The reason I have said I rarely use the centre is because i drive to the Leichhardt pool - it's a much more enjoyable experience. I look forward to retuning to ashfield.	Noted-for consideration in final design/family change rooms will be upgraded.
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	The idea that you would even consider removing the water polo pool is outrageous. There is an active local club; a HUGE water polo community ; a state level training programme ; it's used summer AND winter ; it's used by all ages for a sport and the sport is growing.	Noted

Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Water polo matters	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	The option that reuses the most amount of existing infrastructure would be the best to avoid waste. Environmental impact and cost efficiency is important to me.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	This doesn't relate to these options. I was concerned for the aqua equipment. As there are damaged belts,noodles and Dumbbells. The room is a disgrace. The items are thrown everywhere,the floor seems to be the place at the moment. Can anyone check and replace some of this equipment. Also I think this can be a healthy issue.	Noted-for consideration by management
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Options 2 & 3 show a reduction in the amount of pools available for the public to use. Option 1 has the right amount of pools. Usage of land must be maximised so the new green space at the entrance in Options 2 & 3 would be wasted and should be utilised inside the grounds.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Waterpolo pool great and close to public transport	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Waterpolo at Ashfield serves many clubs and schools. It's a sport which allows kids to be involved in sport and combat obesity. It's not a leisurely sport.	Noted-water polo will be considered

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Please don't make us share with water polo swimmers. They are bullies.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Just need some form of lifting--or external but undercover ramp--to gym to cater for wheelchairs etc	Noted-accessibility is very important
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	If you got rid of the water polo pool and use the 50 meter pool only, you can have 2 x water polo games going at once. Like MSAC in Melbourne. Make sure they are FINA approved. You could generate a lot of money this way. Keep the grandstand and shaded cover on one side. The existing pool is disgusting. I have had my child home sick all week after 2 x water polo games last sunday. Every time he uses Ashfield water polo pool he is sick. That is not a coincidence.	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Dedicated waterpolo pool essential	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	All options are far too expensive and place an unacceptable burden on ratepayers. I am not happy about having an increasing surcharge for this projects particularly as I am facing an additional massive increase for the fire services levy. Already enough pools in the Council area so I am only in favour of a very low cost repair and maintenance and refund our rate levies. Get ready for howls of protests when rate notices go out.	Noted-the pool is at the end of its useful life and must be replaced.



Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Inner west water polo schools and clubs are expanding with a resurgence in junior school and club comps. Really need dedicated facilities to support clubs / NSW Water Polo and schools.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	There should be a waterpolo pool remaining as there are limited in sydney	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	The most important thing that needs to happen is that we have the showers and toilets located undercover together in the same building with the indoor swimming pool area. NO WALKING OUTSIDE INTO TO THE COLD AIR after you have been swimming indoors to go and have a shower. A lot more hot water showering cubicles are also needed. All of this needed to be rectified years ago. We need more car park spaces with safe entrance and exits from the car park. Room for at least two staff members located at the entrance during all peak periods.	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded. Other comments to be considered in the final design.
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	We need to keep the water polo pool. We can not play in the 50m pool as it is too shallow and you will have to cut down the 50m lanes to 25m to make a water polo pool - all Sunday afternoon and when we train. There is nothing wrong with the water polo pool so it is a waste to get rid of it.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	There appears to be less car parking in new options.	Noted-car parking will be increased.

Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	None of the options place family change rooms into the same building as the indoor pools. Defeats purpose of an indoor pool if you must go outside to get the change rooms.	There will be a direct connection from the indoor pool hall to the amenities. Patrons will not need to go outside.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	2 & 3 look best for me, however any upgrade to change facilities would be most welcome.	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Please keep a dedicated water polo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Def option 2	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Bring green space to the front as per option 2, but a shame the 25m pool has to be narrower.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	I only have one suggestion that bigger change rooms & toilets are incorporated inside the indoor pool. I now have to race my children from the indoor pool to the outside change rooms next to the cafe to dress/dry them and in winter it's freezing cold. Thanks	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded. There will be a direct connection from the indoor pool hall to the amenities. Patrons will not need to go outside.

Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	All options look fine so really about cost considerations option 1 far more expensive with ongoing costs.	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Kids water play area is needed and highly recommended	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Improve facilities Better educators	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Family change rooms essential, current options for getting young kids dressed in winter are awful wherefore we do not do lessons in winter.	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded. There will be a direct connection from the indoor pool hall to the amenities. Patrons will not need to go outside.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I think the water play area is a great and would encourage many family to visit the centre.	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	All options give required facilities, Option 2 seems best on an ongoing cost basis. It would be good to understand the impact on any additional funds required from residents. We thought 14m was raised for this project. Where is the rest coming from?	Inner West Council will utilise combined working capital funds available from all three former Councils to provide a facility that benefits the community for the next 30-50 years.

Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Please keep a dedicated water polo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Option 2 & 3 doesn't seem to have seating for swimming carnivals etc. Option 1 is best most use to community, Could splash pas & shade sails go next to water polo pool open up side of exiting indoor pool?	Noted, Council will consider options for shade and water play for younger children.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	It's important for me that all people regardless of their ability or age can access all features & services provided by the aquatic centre.	Noted-inclusion is an important principle of the refurbishment.
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Shower in the disabled change room if possible.	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded and accessible.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Water Polo pool is essential. To remove this would be a great loss to the community. Therefore option 2 would not work for this community	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I think it is important to keep the water polo and 50m pools separate as they are currently both used at the same time regularly. It is also important to have a grandstand so that local schools use the pool for swimming carnivals.	Noted-water polo will be considered

<p>Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied</p>	<p>There seems to be no provision for the many local people who at the moment cannot use the pool. I attended an evening last year which asked for suggestions and none that I suggested seem to have been addressed. These are: adult changed room specifically for the use of people with disabilities including a hoist and adult change table. A hoist to enable people with mobility issues to get into the pool.</p> <p>I suggest a visit by architects to the Ryde Rehab pool to see how they cater to this part of the population. It may be thought that there are not many who would use this but it is significant with an ageing population as well as those with disabilities.</p> <p>The following questions are irrelevant to our family because it is not possible to use the pool for a wheelchair user who needs a hoist and private change area with a table.</p>	<p>Response provided via email.</p>
<p>Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied</p>	<p>It is key that the waterpolo and 50m pools are kept separate. This is why I favour option3. A 50m swimming is far superior to 25m, for lap swimming, squad and club. My experience of other pools with dividable 50m pools (eg UNSW) is due to the heavy useage of the pool by water polo most days, the 25m dividing boom is left in place indefinitely (sometimes continuously for weeks on end). Therefore the default pool size for the lap swimmers, squad swimmers and swimming club becomes the 25m configuration.</p> <p>It is a pity that the BBQ space and basketball court has not had open access to the community and could have been. Now it will be lost completely to the extended carpark. I understand from the designs that there will be greenspace at the street front of the pool. Yet this won't provide for BBQ gatherings or basketball. Is it possible to cater for this?</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Expansion of the Bastable Street car park is necessary to improve the parking for the Centre. This will result in the loss of the Bastable Street area.</p>
<p>Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied</p>	<p>My concerns are that Option 1 wont happen as its too expensive plus it has no leisure space at all. So OPTION 3 is best as its ESSENTIAL to have a separate 50 m pool and water polo pool. These 2 pools are often in use simultaneously BUT their needs to be grand stand for the 50 m pool for both school carnivals and swim club plus general leisure with kids and mums at at the pool. Plus BBQ ares need to be added to option 3.</p>	<p>Noted-for consideration in final design</p>

Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I support options 1 and 3 but I would give greater support to option 3 if it included the grandstand - this is needed for the school swim carnivals. My daughter attended the swim carnival this year for both her school and zone - and it was incredibly hot and many of the children/and volunteers were burnt. The grandstand is needed to provide shade for the children for these events. My daughter also competes in local swim meets eg "The battle of the Bay Clubs" which brings in hundreds of swimmers - a pool with a grandstand is really needed for these types of events and it would be great if Ashfield Pool could host some of these events. The grandstand is already there so it would be a dreadful shame to pull it down.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Why spend Millions when current facility is adequate ? Just needs some maintenance.	As with other aquatic facilities constructed in the 1960s, the pool shells and associated water treatment and heating systems are at the end of their useful life and need to be replaced.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	If lap pool disappears all must share 1 x 50m pool and this will create hassles with lap swimmers. This is nowhere near as effective as a standalone pool	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	The pool needs a 50m pool for lap swimmers with Grandstand as shown in Option 1. The grandstand that is already there. Option 3 would be good with a grandstand and the new Café. The grandstands are essential and offer seating and sun protection for school swim carnivals and swim meets Battle of the Bays, Zone. Grandstand also provide atmosphere to these events which was lacking for pools like Leichardt during Battle of the Bays.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	The 2nd and 3rd options do not provide appropriate shade to our children during squads and carnivals	Noted

## Attachment 2: Council Response to Community Comments Report

Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Knowing my family have a great number of swimming carnivals at the centre it would be great to maintain the covered grand stand. For this option 1 is good The green space, kids splash area and moving the e	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Water polo pool is an important community asset + should be kept . New indoor pool hall v good maybe add floor to existing bldg would add features left out option1?	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Whichever option is selected keen to see a facility that can comprehensively cover club and general community usage particularly with consideration to the increased demands that result from increased population in the inner west and near areas. I note that patronage to newer swimming facilities in Sydney appears much greater than patronage to older depreciated facilities. Want the refurbishment to be as 'future proof' as possible. Hoping for a great outcome from this initiative.	Noted-the upgrade will prove a drawcard to club and community users for decades to come
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	water polo pool not required .Use the space & pool for the community that pays for it .	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Must have dedicated waterpolo pool. Shaded seating at embankment would be better. Neither suitable option has this.	Noted-water polo and shade will be considered

<p>Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied</p>	<p>I prefer to have the water polo pool separated from the 50m pool. I have swam at pools (eg. Ryde Aquatic Centre) where the 50m pool is multi-purpose and it always seems to be in 25m mode. Water polo and squad seem to always have first preference in the 50m pool and while I support both activities, lap swimmers need to be considered as well. For many of us this is about maintaining our health and fitness, particularly as we get older, as well as doing something we enjoy. Swimming is a great activity for people of all ages and swimming ability so there needs to be space for us all to swim - not just the water polo and squad people.</p> <p>In the questions above I have focused on lap swimming as that is the activity I'm involved in. However I support activities that allow all of us to enjoy water activities. I was lucky to have frequent access to public pools as a child (in 1950-1960s) so learnt to swim and enjoy being in the water. I still enjoy swimming and am so glad I do as it is so good for helping me manage asthma and older muscles and joints. I'd love other young people to have those same opportunities. Additionally, the pool is a cheap and enjoyable outing for families so facilities that support this are important.</p> <p>Finally, accessibility is important including safe access to the Aquatic Centre (the pedestrian crossing at the front isn't very safe!), then accessible options for getting into/out of the pool.</p>	<p>Noted-lap swimmers will be considered as an important recreational and fitness activity. Accessibility is very important and a key principle in the design. Comments on safe entrance to be considered in final design.</p>
<p>Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied</p>	<p>Option 3 fulfils the now and the future use of Ashfield pool. Guaranteed income despite season or weather with gym and water polo pool.</p>	<p>Noted</p>



Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	<p>I don't think it's a good idea to join the water polo pool with the main pool, as it's heavily used at times when people are using the main pool. It needs to be kept separate. The water polo area also needs better viewing areas with shade for spectators.</p> <p>It is essential to have an additional 25m pool for lap swimmers as the current indoor pool is often overused by many different groups.</p> <p>Any new toilet facilities must have water saving features that deter people from overusing water when showering.</p> <p>Storage facilities need to be large enough for scooters which the council presently doesn't allow into the pool area.</p>	<p>Noted-water polo and lap swimming will be considered.</p> <p>Storage facilities to be considered in final design.</p>
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	<p>Health and fitness classes would be fabulous</p> <p>Important to retain a separate water polo pool</p> <p>A cafe that serves inside / outside the centre could work well and is likely to help the business to thrive</p>	<p>Noted-for consideration of programming and final design.</p>
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	<p>As a nervous swimmer the provision for walking pool is a must for me.</p> <p>As a soon to be mum a creche and gym facilities would mean I would attend regularly.</p> <p>I have a number of health complaints that see benefit from a Sauna / Steam Room and would love this to be a considered feature also.</p> <p>Should these facilities be in place I would definitely purchase an annual family membership.</p>	<p>Noted-for consideration in final design</p>
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	<p>1. I have been playing waterpolo at Ashfield pool since my school days at Homebush Boys' HS. It was always a special and unique feature of Ashfield pool to have the grass bank covered with waterpolo spectators. It would be a shame to lose this if the pool is shared as part of a 50m pool.</p> <p>2. Waterpolo benefits greatly if it has a designated pool rather than having to share with a 50m pool with a moveable boom. A boom is just an unnecessary device that requires maintenance, staff etc.</p> <p>3. Waterpolo is suffering because many Councils do not sufficiently consider waterpolo. Councils are in the position of power when it comes to waterpolo - in the majority of cases waterpolo is played in Council pools. Consider that in many pools, waterpolo can only be played at</p>	<p>Noted-water polo will be considered</p>

	<p>certain times because a (shared) pool is being used for other activities. A designated waterpolo pool eliminates the problem. If Councils don't build waterpolo pools, who will? It's not like it's a 'popular' sport in Australia with huge sponsors that can pay for private pools, so Councils are the best placed to provide a waterpolo pool. Waterpolo needs designated pools to be viable for elite athletes. Councils need to consider the wider implications of the benefits of providing a designated waterpolo pool; it's not just about what a perceived 'majority' of people may want.</p> <p>4. As one of the earliest Olympic team sports, waterpolo deserves given advanced standing in any swimming facility proposal.</p> <p>5. Waterpolo is one of the few team sports which the 'elderly' can play. In fact, I'm aware of many 60 and 70+ year olds playing on a weekly basis. This is often because they have played from a young age in an environment where waterpolo had unrestricted access. Waterpolo's health benefits should be viewed as a good reason to have a designated waterpolo pool.</p> <p>6. Council should be proud of any consideration for waterpolo. For example, the recent re-development of Manly pool did not only not consider waterpolo at all (only played in the evenings in the 50m pool) but one of the important flood lights was removed to accommodate a new structure, resulting in appalling night lighting of the existing waterpolo playing area. This appears to be the result of an ignorance which I hope your Council doesn't repeat. How would your soccer players feel if a floodlight was removed from a playing field, not very happy I'm guessing?</p> <p>7. One of the problems with shared waterpolo/public 50m pools is that really it is a compromise that doesn't make anyone really happy.</p> <p>8. If a shared waterpolo/public 50m pool is being used for waterpolo, the public can't use it for swimming. When being used for public swimming, waterpolo can't use the pool. This limits how many people can use the pool at any one time and also makes it difficult for planning activities, eg. it's a really hot day say "let's go for a swim!", "oh' we can't, pool closed due to waterpolo". However, a designated waterpolo pool can be used for occasional public swimming.</p>	
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	<p>9. As the population becomes denser, the potential is there for waterpolo to increase in popularity, particularly if there is a designated waterpolo pool. This can't happen if there is no or limited access to a pool.</p> <p>10. Waterpolo simply doesn't have much bargaining power in Australia. Waterpolo needs to have Council's support like any other minority, to allow diversity. Not everyone wants to play soccer or cricket. In fact, waterpolo has very few injuries compared to other full contact sports and so should be encouraged, again, to promote good health. Council can play a big role in this by inclusion of a designated waterpolo pool.</p>	
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Option 2 is a non starter	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	There must be a water polo pool as it would leave a massive gap of available pools to play and train throughout the year.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	<p>The shared water polo pool is a good idea. It works fine at ryde. The trees grass and an extra water play area make opt 2 the best. Previously our family have used the pool for training, carnivals, waterpolo (in the dive pool) and taught swimming.</p> <p>PUT SOLAR PANELS OVER THE CAR PARKS.</p>	Solar panels considered in final design.
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	we need to have this done for future and done well	Noted

Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Having a kids slash area/fun park area is really important	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Q: Where is there provision in the design for grand stand seating for competitions and event meet ups? Option 2 & 3 doesn't cater for school swimming carnival events and there is multiple primary and high schools in the area. Which means they have to travel further out of area to access facilities that support competition style events.	School Carnivals will continue to be held at the pool. Option 2 and 3 include open space area instead of the grandstand and temporary seating will be provided during school carnivals.
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Option 2 delivers most benefit and has everything I would want.  I don't care at all about a water polo pool - I think it's probably not something many people would value	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Would there be an option to have indoor change facilities rather than have to go outside?	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded. Patrons will not have to go outside.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	There doesn't seem to be additional change room/toilet facilities for the indoor pool area in any of the plans. One of the major drawbacks or issues with the current layout of the indoor pool is there are only 2 toilet/change room facilities. Many elderly and young use this area and I know from experience that these 2 toilets are not sufficient. If a child at the swim school needs to go to the toilet, the 2 that are available inside are generally taken and so they have to make the dash to the outdoor toilets which wastes valuable swim lesson time. Also in the winter it is a cold walk out to the change rooms. Ideally there should be facilities for men and women change rooms and toilets accessible from the indoor pool.	There will be a direct connection from the indoor pool hall to the amenities. Patrons will not need to go outside.

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	I grew up in the area, and although I live within walking distance to Enfield pools, I bring my children to Ashfield for swim classes. I also went to school in Ashfield 20 years ago.. I miss the grass areas especially now that I have a family - therefore we only come for swim classes, we prefer to go to Enfield for summer family outings with their water play area and grass areas	Noted-landscaping will be considered in the final design
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	While I have never been involved in water polo, I think it would be a shame to the sport to loose this facility. Swim school is the highest priority to us, and a gym with crèche would be amazing as we live so close by.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Such great swim coaching at the centre, they should work in better conditions and our community deserves better equipment and resources....	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	I have concerns with all the options as they all retain the indoor pool without improvements. The current indoor pool is old and doesn't seem large enough, particularly in the winter months. The demand for learn to swim classes now is so high that at times the whole indoor pool is put to that purpose and those who want to do laps inside are unable to do so.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	there needs to be consideration made for a covered grandstand / seating area. this has not been included in option 3 and is a must for the number of school and other group events that happen at the pool.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	If you have a convertible 50m pool it will make it harder to use the 50m pool for laps etc  Also why get rid of the community hall, surely it adds more value than a few more car parking spaces	Noted  Community meeting room facilities will be relocated within the refurbished aquatic centre.

Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Option 2 is my choice	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	You seem to be basing all of the options around a water polo pool which is very rarely used, while the area most popular (children's play area, indoor lap pool and swim school) gets very little additional money or area. You should get rid of the water polo pool and dedicate this area to an increased indoor pool area and splash and play area. Why is the water polo pool the main fixture of each of the options? Homebush pool would be the best option for this sport.	There is a long history of water polo at the Ashfield Aquatic Centre and there is on-going demand from local water polo clubs.
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Grandstand is needed. How can schools and clubs effectively use the facility without grandstand?  Additional 25m pool would be great in winter.  Dedicated water polo pool, if at all.	School Carnivals will continue to be held at the pool. Option 2 and 3 will include open space area instead of the grandstand and temporary seating will be provided during school carnivals.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	The grass and outdoor play area is fantastic!	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Definitely, need to upgrade and even add family change rooms. The current 2 are not enough especially when single people are using them as normal change rooms. A splash park would be great for our young family.	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Like the idea it's more family friendly as ideal for kids activities	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Is a water polo pool really needed? How often is it used? If you are going to have one then maybe the pool should offer classes to the public to play the game and have its own team to get some use out of it. Out of the 3 I think option 2 is probably the better one but I'm not really keen on the 50m pool being chopped in half to cater for water polo, but if it isn't being played that often then it probably won't impact too much if people know of events in advance. Option 2 caters better to families and young kids who probably are the most common demographic. Definitely need change rooms in the indoor section as the current set up of 2 toilet/change rooms is not working. Kids love water so a well designed, fun water play area will definitely bring families to the centre.	There is a long history of water polo at the Ashfield Aquatic Centre and there is on-going demand from local water polo clubs  There will be a direct connection from the indoor pool hall to the amenities. Patrons will not need to go outside.
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	It's great to have indoor and outdoor options for all 3. Often swim when water polo on so both need to be available. I am unlikely to use another pool. I commend the council for trying to minimise closure time when planning the refurbishment.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Can you consider a sauna with gym facilities?	Noted. This suggestion will be considered in the detailed design phase.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Grandstand removal is a big mistake needed for school carnivals. Option 2 has no lap swimming provisions for busy school carnivals + insufficient seating sharing 50m pool with water polo is a terrible idea. The inner west has enough gyms.. need more pools.	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Focus on pools not gym	Noted-however the gym offsets the running costs.

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 2 when school swimming carnival is on in summer . lap swimming has no place outdoor so this is not desirable . very keen for a creche	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Given the cost blow-out of this project, option 3 delivers best value for money for the community	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Good to have the lessons separate from general swimming. When swimming carnivals are on, general public need proper alternatives for lap swimming and general swimming.	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I know what it's like to share the "big" pool with water polo games & practice, it's a pain in the back! When it comes to water play, for decent swimmers, a deep pool is always more fun than a shallow one.	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Quite a few of the pre-amalgamation councilors initiated and oversaw the Ashfield-Council administration-building modernisation project, which went significantly over budget. Those same councilors initiated this pool refurbishment which, surprise surprise, has become much more expensive than the original proposals. I have every confidence that this project will exceed the latest cost estimates. Cancel this project, drop the special rate-variation impost, sell the land for apartments.	The refurbishment will go ahead.



Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Option 2 has a combined lap/waterpolo pool that is 2 m deep throughout - this severely limits it for recreational swimming/play - so all those light-hearted users are crammed into relatively small pools, which then inhibit use of those pools for swimming classes or aquarobics classes.	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Options 1 and 2 too expensive. We need to live within our means.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	option 2 seems the best but I'm swayed to option 3 only because of the 50m pool with the boom gate for water polo. These pools need to be separate.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Need water polo pool more than a new 25m indoor pool.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	These are great changes but I'd hate to see this mean that the costs to go here are so big that it stops a lot of people attending. I already find it difficult to cover the swimming lesson costs associated with 2 children and with a third to start in the next 12 months this is a concern for me.	Noted-for consideration by management
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	The huge increase in the number of commercial gyms in the area would seem to already offer more than enough options for gym users within a 3km radius of the aquatic centre without using valuable space for another gym. Maximising the number of pools available for use should be a priority, and the addition of an indoor 25m pool is long overdue.	Noted-the gym offsets the running costs.

Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	I think Option 2 is a great plan. In particular, incorporating the water polo pool in the new 10 lane pool. As water polo is not all year this be a big benefit to lap swimmers. The cost of Option 2 is very good (considering just \$87K diff over \$26M) and importantly the Ongoing costs for Option 2 are the lowest of all three options. I vote for Option 2.	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Ashfield Aquatic Centre has been the heart of Sydney's underwater rugby team for about 5 years. My team chooses to train and play games here most weekends because of the excellent facilities and because it is one of the few deep pools in Sydney. We have also hosted a number of national underwater rugby tournaments at Ashfield Aquatic Centre. Some of our players live locally and others come from other Councils. I would really like to continue calling Ashfield Aquatic Centre home of underwater rugby. I support the renovation of the Ashfield Aquatic Centre only if a deep pool (3.8-5m) is included in the plan. It is my understanding that Option 3 provides this future for our team.	Noted-option 3 has a water pool of a depth of 2.1m. A deep water pool is available at Leichhardt.
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	We need to keep the water polo pool because we need a deep water polo pool.	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	This design is already out-dated. Other Councils in Sydney are looking at the new building codes that have been released esp. Blacktown Council. New pools are likely to copy the new indoor Eastern Creek Go Cart dome. <a href="http://www.dailytelegraph.com.au/newslocal/the-standard/new-5m-indoor-motocross-park-planned-for-eastern-creek/news-story/d2815d560d9dc6b583c91aa881048e0f">http://www.dailytelegraph.com.au/newslocal/the-standard/new-5m-indoor-motocross-park-planned-for-eastern-creek/news-story/d2815d560d9dc6b583c91aa881048e0f</a> . This is far cheaper alternative for public pools. Why wouldn't u make the water polo pool indoors? Metro league plays games there during winter season and would hold more games if it was indoors. Please revisit the plans.	Noted. Enclosure of the water polo pool would have a significant impact on the project budget.

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Option 2 is better, but no way ideal. I don't like the combined 50m / polo pool idea as it will be disruptive to users. I would leave both the 50m and polo pool as they are and refurbish them both. The smaller outdoor pool is currently underutilised and could be covered over and possibly expanded and used for lessons. New gym, fitness centre and café is fine as it increases revenue. What is absolutely critical though is to provide sufficient, hygienic and accessible changing and toilet facilities especially in the indoor pool hall. The green space at the back of the pool hall could also be better utilised.	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	There are so many gyms around every suburb now that the idea to include this kind of facility into a suburban pool complex is ridiculous - both wasteful of money and available areas. As a SWIMMING complex, you are far better off too have more areas available for water related activities, such as spas and sauna, which are common in aquatic centres in Europe and Asia; to areas useable for medical recovery therapies to other water sports like diving etc.	Noted-the gym offsets the running costs and is located on the first floor. Comments noted for final design.
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Why is there a significant difference in running costs?	Option 1 does not include a gymnasium. Options 2 & 3 include a gymnasium. The gymnasium provides a significant income to Council.
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 1 - Ashfield Aquatic Centre is an aquatic centre (not a gym) therefore the priority should be on swimming: learning, fitness and for swimming community clubs/groups and school swimming carnivals (which are compulsory for students to attend). Ashfield pool has a strong outdoor 50m pool lap swimming community and this option maintains the amenity for this pursuit. This is the only option that provides for covered grandstands essential for protection from the sun in the middle of the day and for swimming clubs/groups and school swimming carnivals - removing covered grandstands in Australia is an irresponsible option and does not align well with staying safe in the sun. Option 2 - Combining the 50m and water polo pools will lead to competition between the activities that are pursued in these different kinds of pools reducing the already existing amenity for lap swimmers	Noted-the gym offsets the running costs. Lap swimmers and shade will be considered in the final design. A contemporary mix of facilities ensures a financially sustainable model that benefits the whole community.

	<p>and water polo players. Ashfield's water polo pool is one of the few that meets the requirements for national competition so I do not know why we would want to lose that (keeping it under this option will be at the expense of 50m lap swimming - an option I am not satisfied with as a long standing rate payer and user of the pool). In the table above it shows that Option 2 will cost more (\$4.3 million more to build) and in the financial forecasts it states that it will be \$60,000 cheaper per year to run. But it will take over 72 years to recover the extra \$4.3M construction cost which is much longer than the useful life of the new pool (Ashfield pool is currently just over 50 years old) and this does not consider interest on the extra \$4.3M that gets spent up front. So I am unconvinced that this option 2 provides any financial justification and is quite misleading information. Option 3 - I am moderately satisfied with this option because it maintains a separate 50m lap and water polo pools. We can do without a gym and there is no covered grandstand A word on health &amp; fitness centres and gyms. There are a plethora of gyms and health and fitness centres in the inner west and I do not wish my council rates to sponsor another one within Ashfield pool when Ashfield Aquatic Centre is about swimming and all the pursuits that go with it. I am already paying extra rates to refurbish the Aquatic Centre which to me means modernise the existing amenity for those in the community who seek a safe and communal space for the pursuit of swimming. In summary, I am a lap swimmer, my child learnt to swim at Ashfield pool, I am in the local swimming club that has been running since the pool opened more than 50 years ago and I live in Ashfield and pay rates and have done for many, many years. It should be all about swimming and community.</p>	
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	<p>Option1: seems to be a big investment for few tangible additional benefits Option2: provided water polo still has sufficient access to 50m pool time, it could allow for 2 simultaneous games, although centre loses grandstand which will make it difficult for swimming carnival supporters and people needing to be undercover Option3: polo pool &amp; grass areas retained, although grass near equipment is often underutilized.</p>	Noted-shade and landscaping will be considered in final design.

Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 2 is best	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	The pool really needs almost complete renewal but maintaining full length all weather grandstands is also important for school swimming carnivals and other events. New change rooms and showers are essential as the old ones are really in a bit of a state.	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded.
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Ensure you have a Water Polo pool. WP provides fun and fitness for life.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Option 2 doesn't have a water polo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	We need a seperate 50m pool from water polo pool otherwise water polo (less and less suitable pools) will constantly be competing with the lap swimmers. we need at least one grandstand for shade and for carnivals, schools and swim club.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Please keep the water polo pool. That is such an asset.	Noted-water polo will be considered

Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I think the gym / health and fitness facilities are a waste of money. Also I don't see the point of "setting back" from Elizabeth st as it's a busy road and it would be more useful to have that as usable space inside the aquatic centre (eg more green space!)	Noted-the gym offsets the running costs. Landscaped areas inside the Centre will be considered in the final design.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	I don't feel a gym is necessary. It is an aquatic centre. I like the idea of a cafe that can also serve patrons on Elizabeth St.	Noted-the gym offsets the running costs.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I have to say I feel it could have been done in such a way as to include everything. I don't see why in option 3 - which is nonetheless definitely my preferred option- the entrance is set so far back obliquely as to remove the possibility of the splash play area that is present in option 2. If you kept the B green space outside the entrance but only to one side, but put the entrance stright up against Elizabeth street to the East side, there would be room for a plash play area - or anoter outdoor pool or not removing the existing small outdoor shallow pool. Option 3 is my preferred option however because I believe the dedicated water polo pool is a very important community resource for schools and clubs - lap and club swimmers shouldn't have to compete with water polo teams to exist. Both are very vibrant parts of the pool community and water polo is a good revenue raiser for the pool. The other thing that I find really unacceptable and unnecessary is removing the neglected playground at the bottom of the playground that has been inexplicably blocked from both community and pool users for a decade. There is no need at all for that much new parking and there is increasing need for community play space. It should be left as it is, improved and made accessible to the public.	Noted-the final design will accommodate as much as possible of community needs Landscaped areas inside the Centre and splash play will be considered in the final design.

Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 2 is unacceptable as it is likely that the 50m pool would regularly be divided into 2 smaller swimming areas. This is unacceptable for squad trainer and serious lap swimmers.	Noted-lap swimmers will be considered in final design.
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Really important to have the Indoor 25 meter pool and the water polo pool	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Pools need more ramp access for people who can't use stairs or ladder stairs. The indoor pool with a ramp is always being used by the swim school and can't be used by anyone else so people with a disability have no access to a pool.	Noted-accessibility is essential
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Please ensure there is a water polo pool and diving pool	Noted-water polo will be considered but a dive pool is not planned for Ashfield.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	For the cost that is involved in the refurbishment, there is very little difference. I would like to see more play areas for younger kids in addition to shallow pools for safe swimming. It is not suitable to get rid of the outdoor 25m pool and create a splash zone instead when there is already a splash area in the indoor pool area. In the refurbishment I hope that there is provision for more family change rooms. 2 is inadequate for the number of families that currently use the facility. If the current indoor pool area is to be kept as is and simply maintained there needs to be an improvement/better storage for the pool covers. At the moment, they drip all over the seating below them.	Noted-the pool is at the end of its useful life and must be upgraded which is a key part of the cost. Change rooms will be upgraded. Other comments to be considered in final design.

Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Listen to the community	Noted-this survey is designed to hear from the community.
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	I think the redevelopment should maximise and optimise the use of the site - offering a range of leisure and fitness options to residents and visitors.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	The lap pool and water polo pool need to be separated so regular water polo meets don't disrupt lap swimming. The landscaped area to Elizabeth St is a complete waste, it will be a noisy horrible space that no one uses. There is no need for a gym, there is no shortage of them around already, it will have limited patronage unless the water polo or swim clubs use it.	Noted-landscaping internally will be considered in the final design, a gym offsets running costs as it provides income, water polo and lap swimmers will be considered.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I like the retaining of the grandstand in option 1 though the cost comparison makes me prefer option 3. I think keeping the 50m pool and water polo separate is the ideal way to go, and the tiered grandstand is essential for school carnivals as well as seating generally.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	We need more facilities for carnival / recreational swimming	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Options are a little confusing to compare in terms of services - hard to judge. But need to try and do most possible as this is long overdue - eg cannot maintain that dated grandstand!	Noted



Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Kids play splash zone would be fantastic.	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Prefer separate 50m pool and water polo pool. Like the option of including gym / training area. Option 3 seems to satisfy the need for new facilities but with least ongoing cost to the council. Why is there not a separate 25m pool in option 3 adjacent to 'K' - that would be fantastic!	In option 3 the green space next to the water polo pool is an open green space for future construction of an additional pool.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 2 seems the better option except for the fact the 50m pool is competing with water polo. What I like about this option is the outdoor space for families when not wanting to be in the water. It would be great if this were incorporated into option 3. However extra outdoor pool option good.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	All 3 options are good, but for our purposes of using the services here, we just need option 1.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Option 1 - Would be good to have a gym. The rest is fine. Option 2 - Landscaped area at front of entrance takes away from space in pool surroundings. Good to have another indoor pool as it becomes crowded in winter. Add indoor pool. Splash pad with sails is good. Option 3 - Polo pool should remain separate as it will impact use of the 50m pool. Front landscape reduces area available in pool grounds. 2nd indoor pool would be useful.	Noted-landscaping internally will be considered in the final design,
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Main changing room should be next to the indoor heated pool (indoor).	There will be a direct connection from the indoor pool hall to the amenities. Patrons will not need to go outside.

Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	The ongoing cost is misleading, given the existing ongoing cost is similar to option 1.	Current pool and Option 1 do not include a gymnasium. Options 2 & 3 include a gymnasium. The gymnasium provides a significant income to Council.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Need a lot more family change rooms and green spaces, better cake.	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded and landscaping considered.
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Neither new options doesn't cater for grandstand / swimming carnival / competition events which doesn't meet /support inner west / local area primary / high school needs.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I think the indoor pool hall needs a complete face lift to be new. Aiming to be more like Annette Kellerman.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Why spend millions when current facility is adequate. Just needs some maintenance.	Like other aquatic facilities constructed in the 1960s, the pool shells and associated water treatment and heating systems are at the end of their useful life and need to be replaced.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	If water polo pool disappears, all must share 1 50m pool and create hassles for lap swimmers and be nowhere near as available as a stand alone pool.	Noted-lap swimming and water polo will be considered

Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Water polo is a growing sport in the inner west with dwindling access to facilities. Regardless of weather or season WP facilities will be used 7 days a week, morning and night.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Water polo pool is important community asset and should be kept (options 1 and 3 only).New indoor pool hall very good -(options 1 + 2 only) maybe adding an extra floor to the existing building would add features left out of option 1.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Water polo pool - not required. Use the space and pool for the community that pays for it.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Consider run cost in final design.It's great to have both indoor and outdoor options for all 3. I often swim when water polo is on so both need to be available.I am unlikely to use another pool. I commend council for trying to minimise closure time when planning the refurbishment.	Noted-water polo will be considered. Thanks for comments on closure time.
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Can you pls consider a sauna in gym facilities?	Noted. This suggestion will be considered in the detailed design phase.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Removal of both grandstands, and / or one grandstand is a big mistake. Needed for school carnivals and shelter generally for everyone. Option 2 has no lap swimming provisions for busy school carnivals and insufficient seating for some. Sharing 50m pool with water polo (with a boom?) is a terrible idea. The inner west has enough gyms already, arguably a massive oversupply. We need pool space / pools, not gyms!	Noted-the gym offsets the running costs. Shade options and carnival seating for consideration in final design.

Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Need to focus on pools, not building of gyms.	Noted-the gym offsets the running costs.
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 2 - When the schools swimming carnival is on in summer. Lap swimming has no place outdoors, so this is not desirable.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	We do not need a 10 lane water polo pool. A good café and gym to attract a different clientele. We love Ashfield pool!!	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	There is not enough space inside for casual recreational swimming and no water based play for teenagers.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	We like to use a multi purpose recreation facility including gym then use the pool. Sauna is perfect for getting business in winter. We like a modern café with organic products. Option 2 is the best as we have a baby and the splash park would be ideal to use for many families.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	For me the dedicated water polo pool and 50m lap pool are the priority - so option 1 and 3 are best.	Noted-for consideration in final design

Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Must have both water polo pool and 50m lap pool as separate pools. Both will be compromised in option 2.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	It's an interesting experience to express my opinion. Thanks.	Thanks for participating in the survey!.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Need more water play.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	We need a community space - differentiates from other pools in the area. Good disabled bathrooms and family rooms.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Car park, traffic and lack of proper facilities. Free hot showers, clean toilets etc.	Noted-for consideration in final design/ change rooms will be upgraded
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	All great options. Caters for all. Like the BBQ idea!!	Noted-for consideration in final design

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Ongoing cost of option 1 does not sound right.	Option 1 does not include a gymnasium. Options 2 & 3 include a gymnasium. The gymnasium provides a significant income to Council
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 1 is adequate to my family's needs and not as expensive as option 1, 3.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I think it's fine the way it is and doesn't need upgrading except maybe café	The pool has to be upgraded as it is at the end of its useful life.
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Keep it up	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I love the option with a shaded splash pad. Great for families.	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Main thing would be to have change rooms near pool - or enclosed walkway as it is freezing in winter - would be much more inclined to do swim school in winter if so.	There will be a direct connection from the indoor pool hall to the amenities. Patrons will not need to go outside.

Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Option 1 - Too expensive. Option 2 - No dedicated water polo - no good. Option 3 - Good proposal.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Community play group spaces. Helping families meet at a regular time is the most important thing. I bring my children and meet friends. Is very good meeting place for my family.	Community meeting room facilities will be relocated within the refurbished aquatic centre.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Keep meeting room.	Community meeting room facilities will be relocated within the refurbished aquatic centre.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Please keep the community spaces and meeting rooms.	Community meeting room facilities will be relocated within the refurbished aquatic centre.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Work within the council's financial means.	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Spend less money but still get great value with option 3. Please please use the rest of the money for more bicycle lanes (proper ones). Inner west desperately needs more bike friendly areas.	Noted

Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	A BBQ area within the pool grounds seems unnecessary and a poor use of space. A drinking water fountain would be excellent. The water polo pool is great for lap swimmers when swimming carnivals and swim club close off the 50m pool. A way of shading half of the 50m pool on high UV days (or times) would be great to give swimmers the option of sun protection (e.g. retractable shade cloth). But most important for me is keeping the cost of entry affordable, as it is already expensive.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 3 would be fine if there was a grandstand for carnivals, and with the 25m indoor pool the best option.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	A little surprised at the cost! I'm wondering if the best price has been obtained for these options!	Council used expert consultants to prepare the cost plans for each option. The costs are comparable to other similar facilities.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Opt. 2 covers most needs and is the least expensive for the council. I prefer the entrance in Opt.1. In 2 and 3 there is wasted space.	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Slightly satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Why not make the 50m enclosed?	Enclosure of the 50m pool would have a significant impact on the project budget.
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Please do not remove the water polo pool.	Noted-water polo will be considered



Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Option 3 is the best of these as it seems not that crowded compared to option 2.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I really like option 2. looks like a great layout with everything we'd need.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Option 2 is ok aside from losing the full 50m when water polo is on.	Noted-water polo will be considered
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Water polo pool is under utilised and we need more lap lanes. Prefer option 2 long term re flexibility and lower ongoing cost.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Gym and family pool features at Leichardt are excellent.	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	We are interested in the basics - don't have a favoured option. Costs are unclear, especially the big difference in ongoing costs.	Option 1 does not include a gymnasium. Options 2 & 3 include a gymnasium. The gymnasium provides a significant income to Council

Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Too much greenery.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I'm not sure how much the water polo pool is currently used, so can't determine how important it is for that to remain. Accessibility is important in whichever plan is chosen. I like the idea of a new landscaped area on Elizabeth St.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 2 looks fantastic. Love the street activation and great use of the whole site.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Option 2 appears to make better use of the space. Costs are more acceptable too.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	The lap swimming / polo combo would be a major problem for lap swimmers.	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	I like option 2 however feel that its important to have grandstand / tiered seating.	Noted

Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Kids play fountain and sitting area for café will be very useful and we definitely will visit more for option.	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	I prefer the options with more green space - so option 2 ticks all the boxes for me.	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 2 the better option!! But need a grandstand!!	Noted
Option 1: Very satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Option 1 - Whilst it provides for the appropriate # of pools for the different activities provided, it doesn't address the need for recreational outdoor space to relax in.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Indoor areas heated are great in cooler days. Would be good if member you could swipe card to get in instead of lining up.	Noted-for consideration by management
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Love option 2! - the extra community space, kids splash area (especially not being close to the beach in Ashfield) and gym (bonus that this would generate revenue) Please preserve the drop in child minding!! - whichever option is chosen.	Noted-families are an important group of users of the centre, and the creche is an important feature.

Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	The existing indoor pool hall is unbearable in summer for parents watching swim lessons. Improved ventilation / cooling should be included as part of any refurbishment.	Noted-for consideration in final design
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	I think option 3 is the better option because of the variety of activities it caters for.	Noted
Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	We would definitely use health and fitness facilities - something that most pools provide in the inner west that Ashford currently doesn't.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Upgrade of family change rooms - currently only 2 X, need at least 6 X	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Very satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	Start now!!!	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Clean family friendly change rooms!!	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded

Option 1: Moderately satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Slightly satisfied	Would like to see an expanded indoor area and a gym. Water polo is under utilised and too specific to one sport.	Noted
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Very satisfied	Would prefer a gym, pools and leisure areas.	Noted
Option 1: Extremely satisfied, Option 2: Moderately satisfied, Option 3: Extremely satisfied	Please include proper and clean family changing rooms. More than 2 please.	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded.
Option 1: Not at all satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Yes we need to retain the 4 pools and renovate / retile them, we do not need a gym in an aquatic centre and we don't need BBQ's, there are plenty of these available in the community.	Noted
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Not at all satisfied, Option 3: Not at all satisfied	Losing the water polo pool means there is no alternative outdoor pool for use during the carnival season when the 50m pool is closed. There are plenty of alternative gym / fitness centres and park / BBQ options locally. This is an aquatic centre. There should be no reduction in the number of pools.	Noted-mix of pools to be considered in final design.
Option 1: Slightly satisfied, Option 2: Extremely satisfied, Option 3: Moderately satisfied	There needs to be more family change rooms and more toilets! Preferably accessible without going outside! Option 2 is obviously the best scenario, but concerned about 'real' costing's. We were consulted on the upgrade a while back and agreed to a high rate increase. But then learnt councils estimations were severely underestimated!! It is not an option to retain existing indoor 25m pool in its current condition and not build another 25m pool. Option 3 - It's in severe need of repair, as	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded. Other comments for consideration in final design.

	are the family change rooms. Agree there should be additional sources of revenue to reduce ongoing costs to council, so it's sustainable. Once done regular maintenance is required!	
	Option 2 great but with w/p pool.	Noted
	Option 1 is too simple. Option 2 has more to offer.	Noted
	Need to fix indoor bathrooms and tiles and pipes on roof and windows.	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded.
	Love the green spaces and kids areas and safe front entrance.	Noted
	Family change rooms with showers!	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded.

	We come to the pool to SWIM so upgraded new 50m lap pool essential. We have been using the facilities for the past 30 years (4 generations) my children and now their children swim here so priorities are 1. POOLS best ? 2. All learn to swim activities for my elderly parents 3. Change facilities - clean / hot showers / privacy and lockers (part of the admission) 4. Parking 5. Café and reception, then if it not possible gym facilities would be a great addition.	Noted-mix of pools and contemporary facilities to be considered in final design, to accommodate needs of all members of community across all age groups.
	Gym not necessary pool required indoors.	Noted-the gym offsets the running costs.
	Put a 2m high Perspex wall around the outdoor 50m pool. This will keep the wind out, cut heating costs, and maintain the outdoor ambiance.	Noted-for consideration in final design
	In option 2 is the existing car park still going to be used?	Yes, both the Bastable Street and Frederick Street car parks would be used to service the centre.
	Probably outdoor heated pools for cold weather. Loyalty based credits and discount. More than one café would be appreciated.	Noted-for consideration in final design, and by management
	In all of the options, it looks as if the grandstand on the east side of the 50m pool will go. The roofing on the east grandstand is great as it provides shade over the eastern lanes of the pool in the am in summer, providing UV protection when UV is at it's highest. Even if the grandstand goes please consider retaining the roofing.	Noted-for consideration in final design

	Option 2 great but need a grandstand.	Noted
	Indoor bathrooms need a little TLC!	Noted-change rooms will be upgraded.
	Option 2 is great but we need a grandstand.	Noted
	Not many water polo pools in area. Good to keep it.	Noted-water polo will be considered
	Option 2's ongoing cost p.a is a winner.	Noted
	I can see council wanting a gym to reset costs but there are so many gyms and the swimming and parking recreation facilities are more important.	Noted



	Please have a café that provides a variety of food with reasonable price.	Noted
	More indoor facilities	Noted
	I don't think you have additional car parking. Better public transport please.	Noted-State Govt provides public transport.
	The 2nd option has plenty of fitness facilities and indoor pool area.	Noted
	Plenty of parking is very necessary. Gym is also important as people will visit also on rainy and cold days.	Noted
	1, Must have separate water polo pool or w polo and public lap and swim squad all in 50m pool means laps or w polo will be unacceptably compromised. 2. Must have a covered grandstand.	Noted

Email Submissions	
Email	Council Response
<p>1. Dear Mr Thorne,</p> <p>I have recently filled in my feedback to the Ashfield Aquatic Centre redevelopment proposal, however I had not fully read the research report document before I added my comments to the feedback form and I now feel compelled to add the following comments.</p> <p>In addition to my feedback, in which I point out that the <u>core business</u> of providing a <u>public aquatic facility</u> should not be compromised in order to provide landscaping and a gym (the latter of which there are surplus in the council area), may I make the following points in light of the report:</p> <p>- <u>Nowhere</u> in the research report does it mention the need to provide public aquatic facilities for swimming carnivals for our local PUBLIC SCHOOLS with enough accommodation for spectators from the whole school. As I point out, Ashfield pool is THE ONLY pool available to public schools in the council area with enough spectator seating via a grandstand, for WHOLE SCHOOL swimming carnivals. Public schools mostly cannot afford to hire the pool at Olympic Park, and the lack of spectator seating at all other public pools in striking distance means that public school swimming carnivals must be limited to race participants only, which is seriously detrimental to providing sporting opportunities, promoting healthy activity and encouraging school participation and engagement in our public schools. Council has a social responsibility to provide this service which cannot be fulfilled elsewhere within the council area under Options 2 or 3 where the grandstand has been removed.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback on the proposed options for the upcoming Ashfield Aquatic Centre refurbishment.</p> <p>Your comments on the proposed landscaping and gym is noted and will be taken into consideration.</p> <p>The C Leisure report posted on the web site is a summary report. The full report modelled the cost effectiveness of using temporary covered tiered seating for the school swimming carnival period and found that over the ten year period it was more cost effective to utilise the temporary covered tiered seating. The thinking was that removing the permanent grandstands would free up space for other activities outside of the February school swimming carnival period. However the issue of providing permanent covered tiered seating has not been ruled out and your feedback on this is greatly appreciated.</p> <p>In Option 2 the 50m pool would be expanded to 10 lanes to allow a full waterpolo field of play which is 33m x 25m plus it would allow the 50m pool to be divided in two by a boom/net, so the deep end would be a waterpolo pool and the shallow end would be a 7 lane 25m pool running across the pool. Waterpolo would still be accommodated within Option 2. The 10 lane 50m pool would also allow for additional swimming lanes on those hot weekday afternoons when demand for lane space is at its absolute maximum. While Option 2 does result in not having a completely separate lap swimming pool during school swimming carnivals and swimming club times, those events could be limited to eight lanes leaving two swimming lanes for the general public.</p> <p>Option 3 provides for a separate Waterpolo Pool but only an eight lane 50m which doesn't significantly increase the 50m pool lane space for</p>

<p>- I didn't mention that it is ridiculous to be expanding the 50m pool to competition standard of 10 lanes by removing any spectator seating to view swimming competition.</p> <p>- The report appears to minimise the importance of lap swimming, stating that it does not comprise the majority of use. I'd like to know how they have arrived at that conclusion as I swim laps there every week and the lanes are often very busy and on summer weekends, or peak times during the week, too much so to effectively actually do laps! For example, late one summer afternoon this year I was attempting to share two lap lanes with a large crowd of lap swimmers at the same time as squads and faced with the ridiculous situation of people submarining for multiple body lengths to swim underneath log jams of slower swimmers that they could not get around! How can the figures I assume this is based on, determine which pool entrants are there for fun and splash and who is there for laps?</p> <p>- the report does not mention the solid bookings by school swimming carnivals in summer nor the detrimental impact of swimming laps in the indoor pools which are too unhealthily overheated for the exertion of serious lap swimming. The use of an alternative lap pool is necessary during the swimming carnival season over Summer when the 50m pool is solidly booked practically every week and currently possible the outdoor 30m water polo pool. I am able to drive to a distant pool if options 2 or 3 eventuate, but this will be prohibitive for local Ashfield residents who do not drive, and although the council area is now wider, surely there is still a responsibility to provide for local Ashfield residents and employees during Summer and not force them to travel elsewhere. In addition, lap swimming is very important to people who, like me, cannot do high impact, weight bearing sport due to knee injury or other physical problems.</p>	<p>those peak times when demand for lane space is at its maximum. Thank you again for the feedback and your comments will certainly be taken into consideration.</p>
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- The report also suggests that there are alternative water polo venues but they are all either out of the local council area or not public facilities. Water polo should not be the preserve of private schools and removing a public water polo pool will preclude local public schools and clubs from expanding to provide this as a sport option in the future.

- I cannot imagine that an architect worth their salt would not have enough imagination to incorporate a gym without compromising the core business of providing at LEAST the same number of pools at the facility, unless they have been unrealistically and unreasonably limited in budget given the absolutely fundamental role of providing both a grandstand AND separated 50m and water polo pools for the whole expanded Inner West Council region, over which the cost can be spread, rather than limiting it to the Ashfield ward budget, and this ought to be one of the supposed benefits of the whole process of council amalgamation.

Yours sincerely,

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Dear Mr Thorne,

Thank you for your reply.

I need to clarify with you that contrary to what you state in your reply, actually, i clearly do NOT favour option 3 at all. It does not fulfil the core role of providing whole school carnival seating capacity, and the only option presented that I can therefore favour is Option 1 because NO other pool facility in the Inner west and surrounds, apart from Ashfield aquatic centre does so.

If you have placed my response as a statistical half vote for option 3, please correct the record and remove it. Of the three limited options presented, I favour Option 1 ONLY.

As you have helpfully highlighted, community members who require a gym could very well be redirected to Annette Kellerman or Leichhardt Park Aquatic centres, which are also community focussed and as you helpfully point out, already have gym facilities, especially as that is where lap swimmers will be directed to go under Options 2 or 3 during the future participant-only or small-school-only swimming carnival season. Or local residents requiring a gym could be directed to Jetts Ashfield (\$15pw as opposed to AKAC which is a minimum of \$23pw) or Anytime Fitness ( \$18pw) or any of the very many council-provided free outdoor gyms in local parks.

However a far better option for Ashfield Aquatic Centre than Option 1, in terms of ongoing costs to council would be Option 4, which any architect worth their salt should be able to supply, and that is spending more on the initial build to include all of the existing pools AND the grandstand. And if a gym must be included to minimise costs to the council over time, then the investment in the initial build must be increased to accommodate the gym on the site, possibly above a refurbished existing front admin block whilst saving money by removing the lavish (for the size of the site) landscaping and foyer expansions.

I am old enough to remember the debate in Marrickville council over the cost of building the new Annette Kellerman Aquatic Centre. The liberal AND labor councillors wanted to minimise build costs by only providing a 25m pool. Luckily for the community, the Greens held the deciding vote at that time, and we now have a jewel in the community that would have been a white elephant, had the cost cutters got their way and only delivered a 25m pool.

Sometimes, when you are building a facility that will be a resource for the community for decades into the future, you must think long term and consider whether this is a once in a

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The question over grandstands is still under discussion and seating capacity is dependent on which option or mix of options is in the final plan.

From your below comments it is clear that you have a preference for Options 1 & 3 which is the retention of the stand-alone Waterpolo Pool.

On your concern over including a gym, the consultant cited peer reviewed research conducted by the University of South Australia, that over 80% of modern Aquatic & Leisure Centre income is derived from two areas which are Health & Fitness Facilities and Swim School Programs. This research is backed up by the experience of operating both the Leichhardt Park Aquatic Centre and the Annette Kellerman Aquatic Centre. For this reason Option 1 which does not include Health & Fitness Facilities would cost to the community \$881,000/year. Option 2 which includes a Health & Fitness Facilities plus a purpose built Swim School pool, the cost to the community would reduce to \$375,000/year. In Option 3 the purpose built Swim School pool is removed and replaced with a stand-alone Waterpolo Pool, so the cost to the community would increase to \$435,000/year.

The dry land component of the proposed development also includes community rooms which are a service not provided by commercially operated gyms. Additionally commercial gyms by their nature are focused on profit, a community based Health and Fitness service such as proposed would cater to the whole community not just the most profitable.

I trust you find the above helpful.

<p>generation opportunity to invest for the future and provide a unique resource that will otherwise be completely absent from the community, rather than try to save money short term and waste a precious swimming and aquatic resource that cannot be put anywhere else, (ie by providing BOTH enough seating for whole school swimming carnivals AND a separated, dual outdoor alternative lap pool/water polo pool for lap swimming during the summer swimming carnival season) especially as the council has been given one-off monetary sweeteners by the state government to invest in community resources in return for amalgamating.</p>	<p>Kind regards,</p> <hr/> <p>Dear _____,</p> <p>Darren has provided your emails to me to ensure that your comments are included in the engagement report that will be written, once the community engagement for the Ashfield Aquatic Centre closes on Monday 5 June. The report will be available on Council's <i>Your Say Inner West</i> website, along with a report to Council, prior to the meeting at which Council (Administrator Richard Pearson) will consider the recommendations and make a decision about the next steps.</p> <p>I note that you have completed a survey, and confirm that in addition, your comments as per below will be included. Thank you for your interest and considered comments.</p> <p>Regards,</p>
<p><b>2.</b></p> <p>Hi Darren - have been continuing to think about this and I think cost is a very important point here.</p> <p>The modelling suggests option 2 will be \$60,000 per annum cheaper to run, but it will cost \$4,337,000 more to build...</p> <p>At \$60K pa (and before interest) it will take over <b>72 years</b> to recoup the extra \$4.3M construction cost.</p> <p>On a purely financial basis, option 3 must be preferable.</p> <p>Has anyone else made this important point?</p>	<p>Thank you for the feedback, your comment on long term costing will be included in the community consultation.</p>
<p><b>3.</b></p> <p>Hi Darren,</p> <p>I've just completed the survey on the Ashfield Aquatic Centre,</p>	<p>Thank you for the feedback on the survey design. It will certainly be taken into account in future community engagement programs.</p>

<p>and I was very surprised not to see any mention of the crèche service being a reason for attending the centre. For myself and others in my position with small children, this is the key factor that sets it apart from other (including more recently constructed or refurbished) centres in the inner west. Omitting this as a reason for visiting the site is a flaw in the survey that I hope will not skew the results away from the importance of this service to people who may not get the option to exercise in any other way.</p> <p>Also, I found the survey through the inner west council website, which is not an option in the last question and there is no opportunity under “other” to elaborate. There is also a basic spelling error in this question ("here" instead of "hear"). This doesn't look very good for Council and the proof-reading should be more carefully considered.</p> <p>I welcome the redevelopment of the pool and thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed options.</p>	<p>Options 2 &amp; 3 include a purpose built Crèche within the new building that is labelled D on the plans, it was thought that people for whom a Crèche service was a priority would have selected from those options.</p>
<p><b>4.</b> Hello Darren,</p> <p>I have just completed the pool redevelopment survey. My preference is for Option 1 or 3, but the high annual cost of Option 1 makes Option 3 a better bet.</p> <p>One thing not mentioned in the flyer and the survey is disable access. I have MS, which mainly affects my legs. Five years ago I was able to get to the pool solo and swim at 6am.</p> <p>At the moment, I wait for a sunny Sunday and come to the pool in a wheel chair. I enter the pool by sliding/half falling into the slow lane at the northern end.</p> <p>I then swim with a float wedged between my legs.</p> <p>I exit by hauling myself up the stairs in the north-east corner. From there I balance against the end of the grab rail to towel down and then swing back into the chair, trying not to do a face plant on the pool deck. Then I wheel across to the men's change</p>	<p>Thank you for taking an interest in the Ashfield Aquatic Centre Refurbishment.</p> <p>The Outdoor 50m in all three options and the new indoor 25m pool in options 1 &amp; 2 will include ramp access with a water wheel chair available for use. Additionally the pools will be of the modern wet deck design with steps on both sides of the shallow end similar to the current indoor pool improving access to those who don't wish to use the wet wheel chair and ramp to enter the water.</p> <p>The ground level in options 2 &amp; 3 will also be regraded so that it is at a constant height improving access to all the areas of the site.</p> <p>The showers in the new amenities will be free of charge and button</p>

<p>rooms. (That would be a tad easier if the concrete was level.) My wife is usually with me, because I need a little help getting in and out of the water. She usually had a swim too. The only other thing I'd mention is to ask that whether the pool entry cards could also be used as swipe cards for hot showers?</p>	<p>operated similar to the showers on pool deck in the current indoor pool. There will also be easy access amenities with a similar button operated set up for hot showers within the new Aquatic Centre.</p> <p>I hope this information is of assistance.</p>
<p><b>5.</b></p> <p>Dear Darren,</p> <p>I have received the notice today about seeking feedback regarding the Ashfield pool upgrade. It is exciting news ahead in your space. I have completed the survey.</p> <p>I am a member of the local Ashfield-Leichhardt State Emergency Service, and before going on, I want to clarify that I am sending this email as a resident of the community, and not on behalf of the organisation.</p> <p>As volunteers, we are responsible for Flood, Storms, and Tsunami's. As part of my volunteer duties I am a trained flood rescue technician. As you can imagine, this role is physically demanding and require ongoing training regarding fitness and skills. As volunteers, we receive no payment for what we do, however give up our own time and money to support the inner west community in time of need.</p> <p>Many councils around the state offer the use of their pools and gyms by State Emergency Service members free of charge, to allow for the ongoing training of members, however I believe this is not the case at both the Ashfield facility and the Leichhardt facility. I am wondering if this has ever crossed your desk before, and if it has ever been considered by council? If it hasn't, would this be something that could be considered? Most of the time this would simply be in the form of free entry to the facilities during normal operational hours. On the odd occasion it may consist of members training together (working in around the existing</p>	<p>You are correct this hasn't been raised previously however rather than it being an issue for the pool refurbishment it is a matter for Council's Fees and Charges.</p> <p>Luckily Council is currently asking for Feedback on next year's fees and charges and you can make a submission on your proposal through the below link.</p> <p><a href="http://www.yoursayinnerwest.com.au/draft-operational-plan-and-budget-1718">http://www.yoursayinnerwest.com.au/draft-operational-plan-and-budget-1718</a></p> <p>Your submission has merit and Council will certainly look into the matter.</p>



schedules of course).

Would love to hear your thoughts around this, some of the history and decisions that have gone on in the past, and possible future ones that could be made.

## 6.

Good Morning Mr Thorne,  
My name is . I live at . As a long time user of the pool I'm interested in the recent survey being conducted by the council.  
Information in the options document indicates over 350,000 people use the pool each year. I was wondering if the council has any data as to what facilities these people access throughout the year. If so would it not be a strategy to develop an option based on the usage. For example if a large number of people use the larger pool for fitness or relaxation and only a small number use the water polo pool then combining the two pools would be a better idea. Drummoyne pool has done this.

I find it difficult to make a decision without knowing how the pool is access and by whom!

Thank you for taking an interest in the Ashfield Aquatic Centre Refurbishment Project.

As Council has historically collected attendance figures as a whole, I can only provide you with indicative figures based on facility bookings within the centre as follows:

Attendance	2013/ 2014	2014/ 2015	2015/ 2016	3 year Average	% Attendance	Activities the Pools are used for
Outdoor 50m Pool	63,894	61,278	50,546	58,573	17.30%	Lap swimming, swim carnivals, recreational swimming, squad training, gentle exercise
Outdoor 23m pool	38,376	33,717	28,455	33,516	9.90%	Swimming lessons, recreational swimming (summer only)
Indoor Pool	230,491	209,984	210,608	217,028	64.10%	Swimming lessons, aqua, recreational swimming (year round), lap swimming
Waterpolo Pool	30,390	27,837	30,082	29,436	8.69%	Waterpolo, small amount of squad and lap swimming
Totals	363,151	332,816	319,691	338,553	100.00%	Lap swimming, swim carnivals, recreational swimming, squad training, gentle exercise

You may also be interested to review the Business Case report found on the link <http://www.yoursayinnerwest.com.au/26429/documents/55231>

	I hope this information is of assistance.
<p><b>7.</b> Hi Darren</p> <p>Could you please advise how this will be funded As old Marrickville council rate payer we are still paying a levy of 3.5% on Enmore pool And not happy about as we rate payer for to build the pool then have to pay to use No benefit for rate payers in my view how about a discount at least</p>	<p>The capital cost of the pool is being funded through a special rate variation that was obtained by the former Ashfield Council plus other Council funds such as the Ashfield Aquatic Centre Capital Reserve.</p> <p>In regards to the fees charged for the use of the community's facilities, these are determined through Council's annual Fees and Charges process.</p> <p>Council has currently on exhibition next year's proposed Fees and Charges. Council invites submissions into the proposed Budget including the Fees and Charges which you can make through the following link.</p> <p><a href="http://www.yoursayinnerwest.com.au/draft-operational-plan-and-budget-1718">http://www.yoursayinnerwest.com.au/draft-operational-plan-and-budget-1718</a></p> <p>I hope this information is of assistance.</p>
<p><b>8.</b> Hi Darren,</p> <p>Having just completed the survey, I wanted to tell you that I was very impressed with both the flyer that I received in the mailbox (which led me to email you), your response to my question, and the survey. The information is clear, what is expected from the community is clear, the survey asked thoughtful questions that indicate one of the things Council will consider is the balance between different users (although the survey set is self-selecting).</p> <p>This is one of the best community engagement processes I've</p>	<p>Thank you for taking an interest in the Ashfield Aquatic Centre Refurbishment Project.</p> <p>As Council has historically collected attendance figures as a whole, I can only provide you with indicative figures on the comparative demand for the different facilities, please find below a breakdown over the past three full years.</p>

participated in for a while.

Thank you for the opportunity to contribute and hope it leads to a good outcome for the community.

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In option 2 the 50m pool is 10 lanes or 25m wide which would be 2m in depth up to the 33m mark. At the 33m mark there would be a floor mounted boom that would be raised to divide the pool into a waterpolo field of play area which is 33m long and 25m as per FINA standards, the other portion of the pool could then be roped off across the pool to provide a 7 lane 25m pool with a depth of 1.1m. The main pool would also require a 10m high net system to be pulled across the pool to stop waterpolo balls from hitting the people swimming in the 25m area. When the main pool is set up in the waterpolo configuration it is not possible to have 50m lap swimming as the Waterpolo field of play is 25m wide and 33m long.

I hope this information is of assistance.

Email Submission – Bastable Hall User Submission	
<p><b>9.</b> Hi Darren,</p> <p>Thank you for your correspondence regarding the Ashfield Aquatic Centre Refurbishment.</p> <p>My apologies for missing your calls, ----- is the correct contact number for me.</p> <p>Please see below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hall is used every Wednesday from 7.15pm to 9.30pm. We have been using the hall for over 15 years. Prior to moving to Bastable Street the meeting was held in the Catholic Church in Bland Street. This meeting has been held in the Ashfield area for 32 years.</li> <li>Meeting is a 12 Step Program for families and friends of Alcoholics. Al-Anon is a Not for Profit Organization and is affiliated with Alcoholics Anonymous.</li> <li>Attendance is around 10 - 15 each week and ages vary from 20 - 75. Attendance does vary each week .</li> <li>Current hall is perfect for our needs. We only require two tables, chairs, tea &amp; coffee making facilities and toilet. We have a small metal 3 draw cabinet that we currently store under the bench in the kitchen, this holds our literature, books, banners that are used for the meeting plus our tea &amp; coffee.</li> <li>Group would work in with whatever venue was available during the construction period. Would the other venue be in the</li> </ol>	<p>Your feedback is greatly appreciated.</p> <p>On point 5 we will be working to keep the Bastable Street Hall open until the new facilities are completed. If this is not possible we would be looking at relocating to one of Council's other buildings at Ashfield, Summer Hill or Haberfield.</p> <p>Your suggestion on having adjustable or concertina walls is a great suggestion which will certainly be taken into account.</p> <p>The refurbishment is planned to commence on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 with a completion date of October 2019 with the new rooms being available prior to the demolition of the old Bastable Street Hall for extended car parking.</p>

<p>Ashfield area?</p> <p>6. Depending on the size of the multi purpose rooms my only suggestion would be if there was the possibility to have concertina walls to enable the room / area to be made into a smaller room if required.</p> <p>7. Can you advise when the refurbishment is schedule to commence &amp; when would the new building be available for use?</p> <p>We are very grateful to Ashfield Council for their ongoing support of our meeting and thank you for considering our needs in the decision process of the refurbishment.</p> <p>Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information.</p> <p>Regards</p> <p>----- on behalf of Ashfield Wednesday AI - Anon Family Group.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Key Stakeholder Meeting minutes</b></p>	
<p><b>10. Ashfield Amateur Swimming Club</b></p> <p>1. The combined pool in Option 2 would be very difficult - someone will miss out in the compromise.</p>	<p>Noted</p>

<p>2. The peak times when both Waterpolo and lap swimming particularly in the mornings would be very difficult, Waterpolo is there every morning and the before work lap swimmers are also there. The lap swimmers prefer the 50m cooler outdoor pool as compared to the warm water indoor 25m pools, if it is set up for Waterpolo both mornings and afternoons people who work will not be able to swim in the 50m lanes</p> <p>4. Fees charged at other Centres is an issue, unaffordable e.g. Ruth Everest Aquatic Centre charging \$377 an hour plus a high pool entry of \$8.00 while Ashfield is \$80.00 an hour and \$4.60 for kids and \$7.60 for adults, most other Centres are unaffordable for community volunteer based clubs</p> <p>5. Swim Club issues with Option two, 50m pool currently has 7 lanes no real demand for 10 lanes, need seating area.</p> <p>6. Need Grandstand for school carnivals and also storage underneath</p> <p>7. Shade is important for Swimming Carnivals.</p> <p>8. Emergency Access good in Options 2 &amp; 3 but not addressed in Option 1.</p> <p>10. Grandstand is needed</p>	
<p><b>11. UNSW Wests Waterpolo Club</b>  350 members from across the Sydney Metro Area  250 UNSW Student Members  Currently using pools at Randwick, Newington and Ashfield  Randwick shared pool similar to option 2 but only 25m pool dimensions  Newington limited due to cost and pool space  Updating Business Plan  Players aged between 8 - 73 years in Student, Junior, Elite and Social Competitions</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p><b>12. UTS Balmain Waterpolo Club</b>  1. Distance to change rooms esp. in Winter currently an issue</p>	<p>Noted</p>

<p>2. Crèche important service</p> <p>3. The Shared pool in Option 2 would be an issue at Peak times (mornings and afternoons) Lap swimming verves Waterpolo, even in the mornings there are a lot of lap swimmers and Waterpolo currently - the lane 4 guys 15 lap swimmers using a couple of lanes as well as squads and other casual swimmers would clash every morning with the shared pool.</p> <p>4. Fees charged at other Centres is an issue, unaffordable e.g. Ruth Everest Aquatic Centre charging \$377 an hour plus a high pool entry of \$8.00 while Ashfield is \$80.00 an hour and \$4.60 for kids and \$7.60 for adults, most other Centres are unaffordable for community volunteer based clubs</p> <p>5. Swim Club issues with Option two, 50m pool currently has 7 lanes no real demand for 10 lanes, need seating area.</p> <p>6. Need Grandstand for school carnivals and also storage underneath</p> <p>7. Shade is important for Swimming Carnivals and Waterpolo Events</p> <p>8. Emergency Access good in Options 2 &amp; 3 but not addressed in Option 1 as it currently.</p> <p>9. Concerns with the combined pool in Option 2 - shared use and timing issues, particularly concerned about the mornings/afternoons when both the 50m and Waterpolo pool are in heavy use, growth in demand for social / fitness swim squads would put additional demand at peak times.</p> <p>10. Grandstand needed</p> <p>11. Closure of Parramatta Pool has again reduced the number of Waterpolo venues in Sydney</p>	
<p><b>13.</b></p> <p>NSW Waterpolo</p> <p><b>Option 2</b></p> <p>1. Option 2 looks good but a lot of concerns</p> <p>2. Shared pool a concern because the hours of use would create an impost on younger participants U12 and U14 playing late at night is not ideal</p>	<p>Noted</p>

<p>3. Programming of pool usage is an issue</p> <p>4. Could no longer run the Academy at Ashfield as the pool would be set up for lap swimming and swim squads - large reduction in Waterpolo Opportunities</p> <p>5. Require a boom that can be walked on similar the that at Dawn Fraser Baths if set up to two games at a time, not a pop up boom</p> <p>6. Trying to do too much green open space at the expense of Aquatic Facilities</p> <p>7. In practicality it is very limiting for Waterpolo</p> <p>8. There has been increased demand for Waterpolo particularly at Ashfield as demonstrated by the increased usage over the past several years, it is envisaged that there will be further increased demand for Waterpolo as the younger kids now being given opportunity with the new U12s and U14s programs.</p> <p><b>Option 3</b></p> <p>1. Better Option for Waterpolo</p> <p>2. Need covered seating areas for events</p> <p>3. Consider lesser refurbishment of Waterpolo to reduce build cost and less closure time</p>	
<b>User Groups and Clubs – open comments</b>	
<p><b>14.</b></p> <p>Sydney Stingers Waterpolo</p> <p>As a community water polo team we rely heavily on ASHfield pool for Metro competition games, along with a number of water polo clubs in the area. With Parramatta pool closed this has placed great pressure on pool availability in the inner west/west districts. We strongly support any option that retains the current water polo pool (or refurbishes it) for future use.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p><b>15.</b></p> <p>West's Water Polo</p> <p>The combined 50m pool / water polo pool option has been done before at many pools (Ryde, Drummoyne, Sydney Uni, UNSW) and does not work. Water polo ends up</p>	<p>Noted</p>



<p>commencing well after hours and this does not work for junior programs and kids at school. We have 350 members from the age of 9 to 80 and use the pool every afternoon and play numerous games on Saturday and Sunday with not only athletes coming through the door but families and friends to watch.</p> <p>We currently use the pool;  Monday - Thursday 5pm - 9pm  Saturday 12.30pm - 4.30pm  Sunday 12.30pm - 5.30pm  The above times are not compatible with both the general public and the swim squads to use the 50mm pool.</p> <p>If option 2 was to proceed, our club would have no choice but to find an alternative home as this option would simply not cater for the current use let alone the growth that our club is having.</p> <p>We urge council to not proceed with an option that reduces precious pool space in Sydney.</p>	
<p><b>16.</b>  UNSW underwater rugby club (combined comments)</p> <p>Option 1 and 2 are great but the biggest factor is the depth of the pool. The underwater rugby club needs 3.8 meters to be a competition standard. Furthermore, there have been a significant number of pools in the Sydney area that have undergone similar refurbishments that have seen the loss of a deep pool. There are only two other pools in Sydney region that have a deep section and they are incredibly full as there are an increasing number of sports that have to share the space. If Ashfield were to lose its depth, it would have a huge impact on a growing sport not only in Sydney but Australia wide.</p> <p>I travel up from Canberra to attend the UNSW Underwater rugby training sessions, Both option 1 and 3 could potentially work for our sport as long as it is between 3.8-5m in depth. I am just one of many that travel interstate to train with the UNSW team at your facility. The staff have always been helpful and friendly to me and I hope the new development could accommodate our ever growing sport.</p> <p>We need a deeper pool to train in otherwise we will no longer be able to use Ashfield swimming pool as a grounds for practice or games. Without a 3.8m depth we can not play</p>	<p>The pool depth is as per that endorsed by the former Ashfield Council in the original tender option. A deep water pool is available at Leichhardt Park Aquatic Centre for sports that require additional depth.</p>

<p>as the water is not deep enough for game regulations. The current plans for 2m depth will not benefit us in any way.</p>	
<p><b>17. Ashfield amateur Swim Club</b>          Very concerned that none of the options allow for a covered grandstand seating area          Concerned about loss of stand-alone 50m pool in option 2          Concerned about costs of option 2. Option 2 costs an extra \$4,337,000 to build, when compared to option 3. It has running costs of \$60,000 per annum less, BUT it would take over 72 years to pay off the extra \$4,337,000 at the rate of \$60,000 per annum. This is without including interest on the extra construction costs which would be incurred up front.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p><b>18. Balmain Water Polo Club</b>          As a user group we are consistent regardless of weather. We cater for a wide community group and rely on Ashfield to deliver our program all year round.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p><b>19.</b>          Lane 4 daily morning swimming          We are a group of daily lap swimmers who swim all year round in Lane 4 of up to 18 swimmers. We have been swimming in Lane 4 at 6AM for over 20 years. The morning swimming is extremely important for our health &amp; wellbeing as most of us are over 50. There are 3 important issues for us in regards to the re-development of the pool, 1. a dedicated 8 lane 50m pool 2. a separate waterpolo pool 3. Maintaining the existing canal Grandstand</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p><b>20.</b>          Haberfield Public School          Haberfield Public School has used the Ashfield pool for over 40 years. The school holds an annual swimming carnival, year 2 swimming lessons with the swim school &amp; weekly sport swim lessons in summer at the pool. The most issues for Haberfield PS use of the pool in order preference are 1. dedicated 50m pool 2. Maintaining the existing canal all weather grandstand 3. If it were possible to have a dedicated learn to swim in Option 3 as it is in Option 2.</p>	<p>Noted</p>