

## Improving play opportunities at Jells Park

### Activity toolkit

To improve play spaces at Jells Park we want young people to help design future play opportunities at Jells Park.

Jells Park has three playgrounds which have been loved by generations of families and locals. Best practise provision for play has changed significantly in recent years, and the timing is right to ensure that Jells Park remains a key regional destination for children and their families.

Parks Victoria is interested in hearing ideas from young people and we would like your help in facilitating their participation by hosting one (or all if you wish) of the following activities:

- a) **Host a conversation**
- b) **Design play at Jells Park**
- c) **Draw your dream play space**

### How to host the activity

#### Host a conversation

We would like to understand what young people do when they visit Jells Park and what improvements they would like to see.

It is up to you how you hold this conversation. We suggest starting the conversation as a group, allowing participants to talk about their experiences of Jells Park and brainstorm ideas.

The following two questions can be used to guide this conversation:

1. Describe a typical visit to Jells Park? (e.g. when would you visit, how long do you stay, what do you do etc.)
2. What improvements to the current play spaces, or additional play spaces would you like to see at Jells Park?

As a group, in pairs or individually we would like the participants to write down their responses.

#### Design play at Jells Park

This activity is an opportunity for young people to share the kinds of activities and play experiences they want when they visit Jells Park.

Using the activity map, provided in the toolkit, participants can write and draw their ideas. We suggest participants complete this individually or in pairs. Make sure you print the map activity sheet on A3 paper to allow more space for drawing.



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You can use the following prompts to help the participants brainstorm ideas of what they would like to do at Jells Park:

- What do you do when you're at Jells Park? (e.g. do you play on playgrounds, do you play sport, do you ride your bike?)
- How do you play with your friends, e.g. do you do activities, play sports, play on playgrounds?
- Imagine other Parks you really like, what do you like about them?

### **Draw your dream play space**

This is an opportunity for young people to draw their dream play space.

This could be a picture of:

- what they do at the park
- how they play with their friends or family
- their favourite play space
- their own invention.

We have provided an activity sheet for the participants to draw on, however you can get creative with this activity and use paint or make collages, it's completely up to you and the group!

If possible, we would love a written description of the drawing also which you can provide on the back of the drawing.

### **How to send back your activity**

Once you have completed the activity you can scan and send it to [siobhan@capire.com.au](mailto:siobhan@capire.com.au). Alternatively, we can arrange pick up the materials.

Please complete the attached cover letter and send it with the activities by **Friday 28 September**.

### **Need help?**

We are more than happy to help. You can shoot Siobhan an email at [siobhan@capire.com.au](mailto:siobhan@capire.com.au) or give her a call on 03 9285 9000.



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## Cover letter

### Contact information

Name of school/community group: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact email: \_\_\_\_\_

Summary of who participated (e.g. age/year level/community group/number of participants)

## Evaluation

How did the activity run?

Do you have any suggestions for engaging young people in these kinds of projects?

Would you be interested in doing engagement like this again in the future? (Yes / No)

# DESCRIBE A TYPICAL VISIT TO JELLS PARK

HOST A  
CONVERSATION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

AGE \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN DO YOU VISIT JELLS PARK?

HOW LONG DO YOU STAY FOR?

WHO DO YOU VISIT THE PARK WITH?

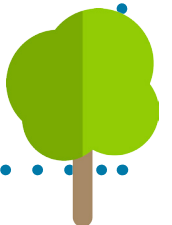
WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN YOU'RE AT THE PARK?



WHAT IMPROVEMENTS TO THE  
CURRENT PLAY SPACES, OR  
ADDITIONAL PLAY SPACES WOULD  
YOU LIKE TO SEE AT JELLS PARK?

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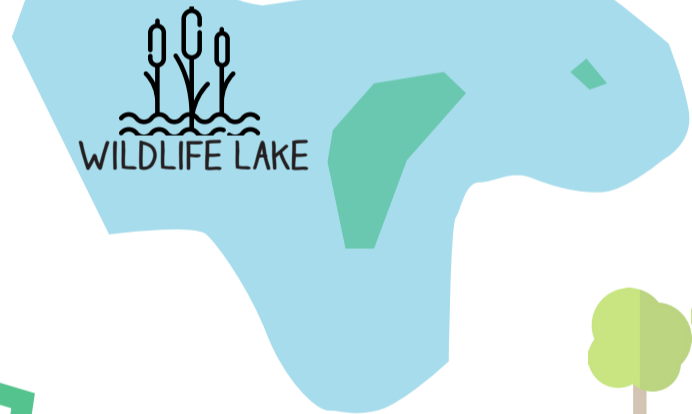
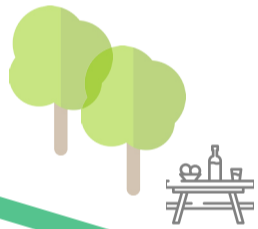
THINK ABOUT YOUR FAVOURITE PLAY  
SPACE, WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE?  
WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE ABLE TO  
DO WHEN YOU GO TO JELLS PARK?



# DESIGN PLAY AT JELLS PARK

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

AGE \_\_\_\_\_



WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO AT THE PARK?



MY DREAM  
PLAY SPACE.....

DRAW YOUR  
DREAM PLAY  
SPACE

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

AGE \_\_\_\_\_

