

TRUGANINA COMMUNITY CENTRE

(Interim name)

Community Update - September 2021



PROJECT UPDATE

On the 20th and 24th of July 2021 two online design concept workshops were organised to bring the community in Elements together to meet with the Canvas design team and speak about their hopes and dreams for the upcoming community centre. Around 22 community members attended the online workshops and the main aim of the conversations was to: learn more about the Elements community, gather ideas for the centre such as values, attitudes and behaviours that will surround the centre. This giving the community members an opportunity to begin to feel safe, included, engaged and that they belong to the upcoming community centre.

We asked community to tell us about the Elements Estate Story so far?

- The main park in the estate is nice and there are always plenty of people there
- Everyone is friendly, welcoming and smiling
- There appears to be a lack of indoor spaces to gather
- There appears to be a lack of places to gather for older and teenager residents in the estate both these cohort need to travel outside of the estate

Then we asked what community imagined to see, hear and experience in the centre, you told us:

- Laughter and play
- Place to learn about local indigenous culture and the diversity of cultures that now exist
- People of all ages and social groups using the space and feeling like it's theirs
- Beautiful outdoor space that with lots of plants native inside and outside
- Light and bright
- Lots of people all around helping each other and gathering to celebrate different things

Finally, we asked what would make community feel included, engaged, respected and safe in the centre, you told us:

- Cameras outside the centre with lights and good security
- Free guest Wi-Fi
- Staff members or/and volunteers who understand the community and can help with information
- Visual boards that give community information about what is happening around the centre
- A place we belong, and my family belongs – like an extension of my house

Next steps

- Feb – Sept 2022 design workshops with a focus on:
 - Getting to know each other
 - Working together
 - Hearing community story
 - Creating a vision and
 - Planning for the future
- Construction Jan 2022 – December 2023
- Operational Late 2023 / early 2024

Contact us

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