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# Sanctuary Place Quarry Bike Skills Track

## Frequently Asked Questions

### What is a pump track?

A pump track is a course of dirt rollers, berms and features that are designed so that riders only need to give a quick 'pump' of the bike pedal to propel their way around the course. The track is suitable for mountain and BMX bike riders of all ages and abilities.

### Why are we building a pump track?

We have received numerous requests for this type of facility particularly due to the popularity of neighbouring Council facilities. The track will complement the existing youth infrastructure in the area and add to the facilities available for different age groups and abilities not currently catered for by skateparks.

In 2018, we undertook a community satisfaction survey which collected 513 responses from individuals over the age of 18 within the local government area. Projects with the most support amongst residents included increasing sporting facilities. Plus, facilities for youth were the only type of facility where less than half (41%) of residents were satisfied. We have identified youth related recreational facilities as a focus area for new projects. The track will be designed to cater for all abilities, encouraging community spirit, learning and promote an active outdoor lifestyle for all. The site will also provide individuals an area to participate in passive recreation such as walking, picnicking and bird watching.

### Why was this site chosen?

The site offers a unique topography ideal for an earthen pump track including steep banks and large flat areas. The existing reserve features will be integrated into the design to maintain the open parkland characteristics that offers enough space to allow passive activities including picnicking, bird watching and walking, as outlined in the Plan of Management. The quarry is currently unused and this proposal provides an activation of the area for passive and recreational usage.

A motion was carried at the Council meeting on 21 November 2017 that determined the location as Sanctuary Place Quarry, Minnamurra.

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## What else is included in the project?

- Perimeter fencing
- New front gate
- Formalised car parking
- Universal access toilet
- Toddler track
- Balance logs/skills track
- Waste bins.



## How is the project funded?

The project is being fully funded by State and Federal grant funding as follows:

\$50,000 - NSW Government My Community Project Grant

To be spent on the construction of the track, water connection, signage and front gate

\$150,000 – Federal Government Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Program

To be spent on providing amenities, car parking, perimeter fencing and any required investigations.

## How often will the track and reserve be maintained?

Once the project is completed the new facility will be entered into our asset register where it will become part of the routine asset inspection and maintenance program in perpetuity. We will fund any ongoing maintenance or repairs required similar to any other recreational facilities throughout the Municipality.

## Is a development application required?

No, a Development Application is not required for this project. The development of this project is exempt under the State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007, Clause 65.

## How much noise will the facility create?

The noise generated from earthen riding facilities are generally minimal given the materials and equipment used. Motorbikes, or motorised bicycles, will be strictly prohibited at the reserve. The noise generated will be from user's enjoyment. The perimeter fencing will also create an offset from houses and allow a vegetation buffer. Further, the site will be locked at night.

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## What will be involved in the consultation process?

Now that we have prepared a draft plan for the site we will commence community consultation including:

- Neighbourhood notification
- Media releases on our website/social media channels inviting comment
- Kiama High School Youth Engagement Meeting
- Local primary school, Neighbourhood Precinct Committee and Rate payer associations.

## Will the track be open at night?

No. The Quarry is for use during daylight hours only, so flood lighting for the tracks is not included in the plan. The plan also includes a new front gate to ensure the site is secure at night.

## When will the project be completed?

The project is anticipated to be completed by June 2021. Council's new website features a project page that will be updated throughout the project with documents and progress updates.

## How will people access the site?

Whilst many locals will likely ride to the site, the draft plan has included parking on site to accommodate other visitors. The single access road in assists in securing the site at night.

## How will the existing environment be impacted?

We recognise the natural environment that has developed in the quarry over the years. To ensure this natural environment is protected, the proposed plan includes perimeter fencing to retain activities within the open area of the quarry. The track has been designed to avoid established trees in the open spaces. There is no intention to remove any existing vegetation other than weed species such as lantana and fennel located within the area of works.

## Who can I speak to further about this project?

For further information please contact our Project Engineer on (02) 4232 0444 or email [Council@kiama.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Council@kiama.nsw.gov.au)

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## How can I provide my feedback and what happens to it?

Your feedback on the project should be directed to the General Manager in writing to PO Box 75, Kiama, NSW, 2533 or emailed to [Council@kiama.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Council@kiama.nsw.gov.au) by 11 August 2020.

All written feedback will be acknowledged either by email or in writing so that you know your comments/feedback have been received. The feedback will be collated, and the results will be reported back to Council with proposed amendments to the design.

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