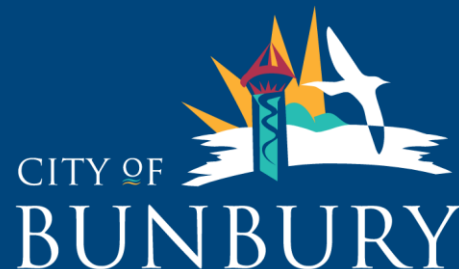


# MEDIA STATEMENT



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## **Playground equipment chosen by community is ready for use**

Children can have fun on the latest playground equipment at Bill Beaton Park in East Bunbury with an upgrade completed just six weeks after the community chose the new design for the popular area.

The next generation equipment includes climbing apparatus, swings, a slide and even a “car” in a sand-filled area that encourages children to use their imagination and make the most of their time outdoors.

The equipment is designed for children of all ages, ranging from toddlers to pre-teens.

Children, parents and grandparents played a part in choosing the equipment to be installed in Bill Beaton Park with the City of Bunbury inviting the local community to vote for their preferred design as part of a public consultation process.

Bunbury Mayor Gary Brennan said he was excited that local children would be able to enjoy the latest play equipment in a safe environment.

“It was fantastic that so many people felt connected enough with this park to have a say on what the local children could enjoy,” Mr Brennan said.

“It shows how important parks and playgrounds are to children and their families.”

The City also consulted with the community surrounding Whiteman Park in Usher and the planned upgrade is expected once the new equipment is sourced in the coming months.

**ENDS**

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