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Celebrate opening of new youth spaces and water play park

Camden's first water play space and two new youth play spaces will officially open in time for summer.

Council committed \$5 million to deliver Curry Reserve Water Play Space, Sedgewick Reserve Youth Play Space and Harrington Park Lake Youth Play Space to provide more options for children, young people and families to exercise and socialise.

"These parks will offer a diversity of choice for recreational places that encourage healthy, active lifestyles for children and young people," said Mayor Peter Sidgreaves.

"Council has built three family friendly places that will offer fun, accessible and unique experiences for our residents," Cr Sidgreaves said.

The youth play spaces at Sedgewick Reserve, Currans Hill and Harrington Park Lake Reserve, Harrington Park have been designed to feature the natural setting and incorporate the landscape of each site.

Sedgewick Reserve park includes a sensory path with musical instruments as well as climbing apparatus, swings and areas for skating, scooters and bicycles. The play equipment formerly at the site have been incorporated into the park and enclosed with fencing.

Harrington Park Lake Reserve has slides and climbing structures, trampolines, skate elements and a multi-use path for skaters, scooters and bicycles.

These parks will have new, accessible and unisex toilets, shade structures, seating and additional parking constructed as part of the project.

Curry Reserve Water Play Space in Elderslie has a large splash pad with 36 play features for all inclusive, accessible fun for children of all ages.

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Construction of the new toilets and change rooms has been delayed due to the unexpected find of historical artefacts unearthed at the site. Council will postpone the start of works on the amenities until autumn 2019 to reduce the potential impact of dust, noise and traffic on park users during the busy summer period.

The current amenities will remain open and additional temporary change facilities will be installed for use throughout the summer season.

The new amenities will open in autumn and include wheelchair accessible change facilities including an adult hoist, waterproof wheelchairs and storage, new toilets, showers and change rooms.

The opening of the three recreational facilities will include a huge range of free activities.

"Openings of the youth play parks will be a hive of activity with obstacle courses, garden games, jumping castles and face paintings on offer for families," Cr Sidgreaves said.

"Water slides and a sand sculpture workshop will be just some of the fun on offer at the opening of our first water play park," he said.

Park opening details

Harrington Park Lake Reserve Youth Play Space

- When: 10am-2pm, Saturday 3 November
- Where: Corner of The Northern Road and Fairwater Drive, Harrington Park.

Sedgewick Reserve Youth Play Space

- When: 10am-2pm, Saturday 17 November
- Where: Currans Hill Road, Currans Hill

Curry Reserve Water Play Park

- When: 10am-3pm, Saturday 1 December
- Where: Camden Valley Way, Elderslie

More information of the park opening events can be found at Council's website <u>www.camden.nsw.gov.au</u>.

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