Project update (February 2023)

Works on the concept design plans for the proposed seaside pool are underway and scheduled to be completed at the end of May / early June. The concept design plans will consider as far as possible the feedback that we received during our initial consultation back in August / September 2022.

At the completion of the concept design process, we will be entering into another period of community consultation during June and July. We will be engaging with you both online with a survey here on Making Marion and with face-to-face sessions where you'll be able to talk to members of the project team and provide your feedback on the designs.

More information on engagement and how you can get involved will be provided to you as soon as details are confirmed.

Project update (October 2022)

Thank you to those who have recently contributed to our survey on a proposed Hallett Cove Seaside pool. It has assisted us with developing a greater understanding of the views and interests from the community on this project and we appreciate the time that you took to provide your feedback to us.

Overall, we had a total of 445 responses to the initial survey with approximately 2/3 of responses coming from residents at Hallett Cove.

Access the feedback summary here

We are currently progressing with the next step, which is to develop draft concept plans for a seaside pool. The process of engaging a consultant to complete the draft concept design is underway, and this next stage of work to be guided by the feedback you have provided to date, is expected to be completed towards the end of 2022. We will then be carrying out a variety of community engagement activities in early 2023.

Background

In 2018 a community campaign to build a ‘sea pool’ at Hallett Cove was initiated by a local resident. The campaign received high levels of interest from locals and others in greater Adelaide. In response to the interest, Council agreed to an offer from the former Minister for

Environment & Water to partner on a study to assess the technical feasibility of a sea pool. Due to the structure of the Hallett Cove coastline a 'sea pool' is not a feasible option. Recommendations are to explore concepts for a 'Seaside Pool' which would be a seawater-filled pool extending above the waterline.

The feasibility study in 2019 confirmed that Hallett Cove beach would require future protection from coastal erosion (e.g., a sea wall) and this protective structure could be feasibly designed to incorporate a seawater swimming pool.

Marion Council has not yet committed to building a seaside swimming pool at Hallett Cove. We are aware, however, of the high levels of community interest in the idea. Community feedback is critical to the direction of this project.

Feedback on our initial engagement process

Your feedback is important to us. With further engagement activities planned for early 2023, any feedback you have on our initial community engagement process may help us to improve our upcoming engagement activities.

You are invited to provide your feedback via a short survey below.