

Mission Creek playground play structure renewal

SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT

08 February 2022 - 19 December 2023

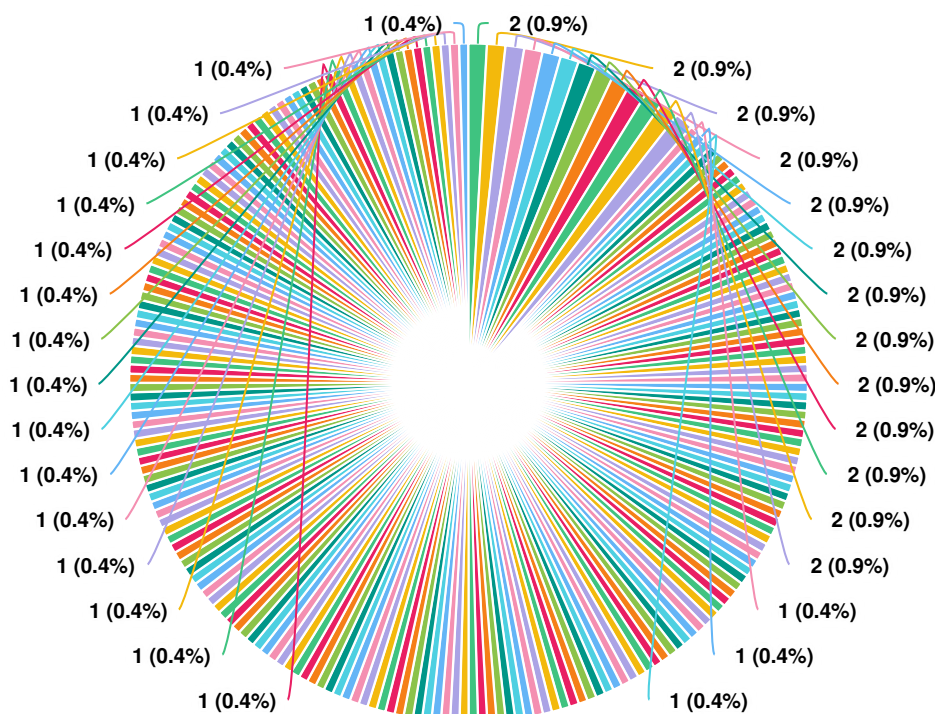
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Question options

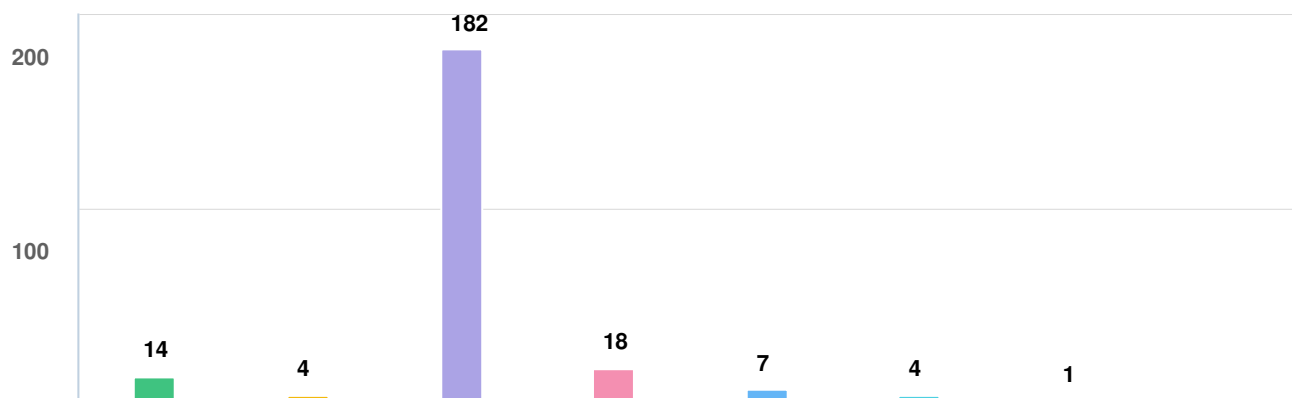
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Mandatory Question (228 response(s))
Question type: Region Question



SURVEY QUESTIONS

Q1 In which area of the Central Okanagan do you live?

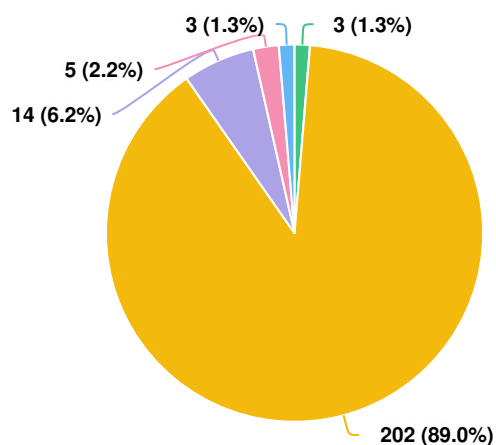


Question options

- Central Okanagan Electoral Area East
 ● Central Okanagan Electoral Area West
 ● City of Kelowna
- City of West Kelowna
 ● District of Lake Country
 ● Westbank First Nation IR#9 or IR#10
- I do not live in the Central Okanagan
 ● District of Peachland

Optional question (227 response(s), 1 skipped)
Question type: Checkbox Question

Q2 I am a:

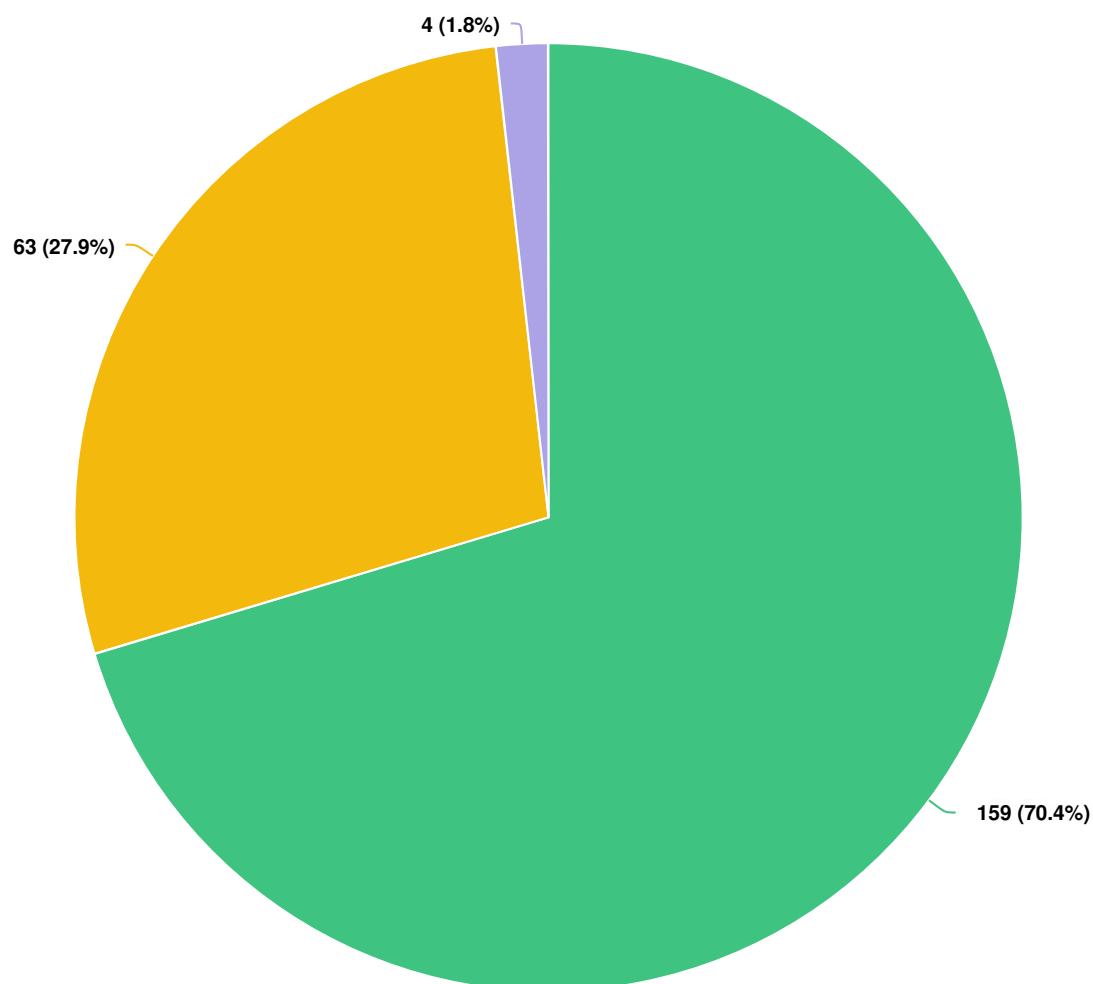


Question options

- Childcare provider
 ● Parent
 ● Grandparent
 ● Teacher
 ● Other (please specify)

Optional question (227 response(s), 1 skipped)
Question type: Dropdown Question

Q3 Please indicate the age of children in your care that use the playground:

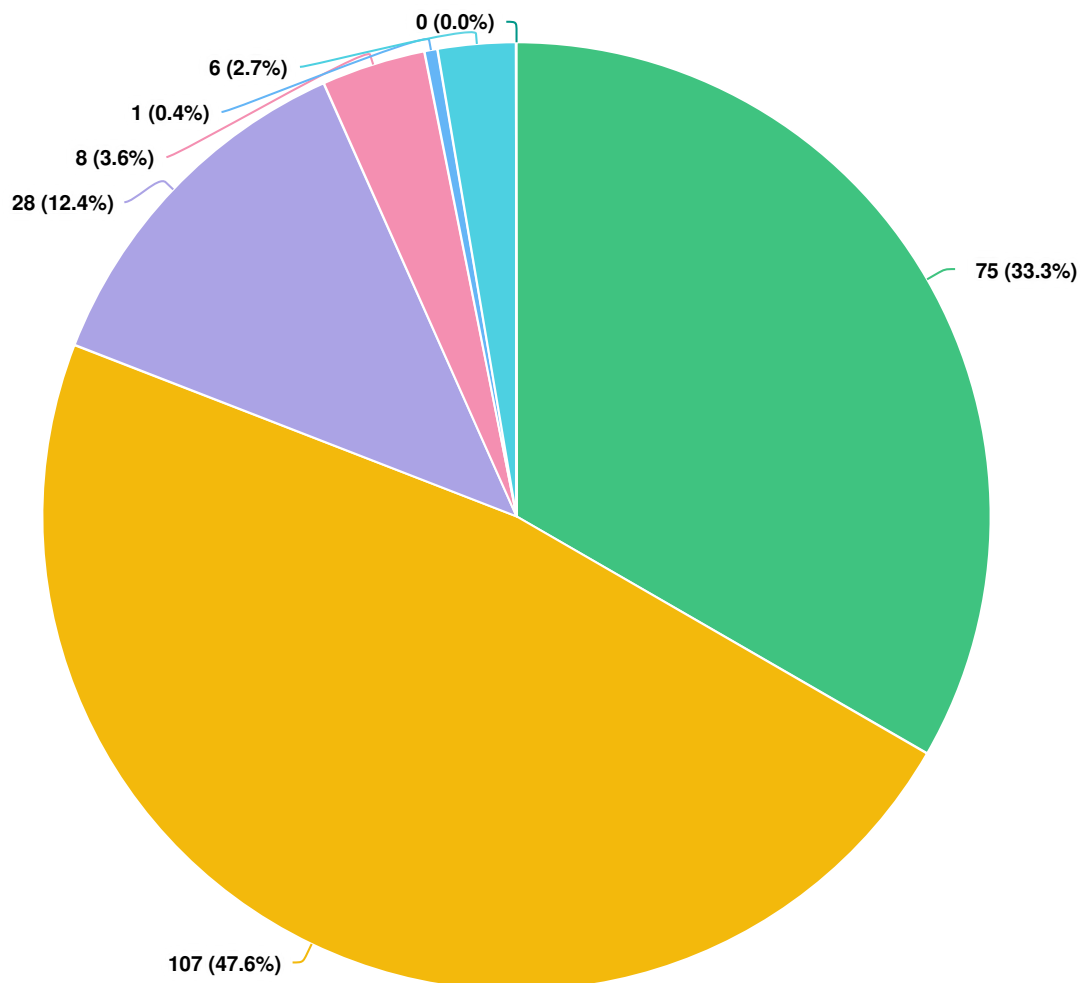


Question options

2 to 5 years 6 to 12 years 13+ years

Optional question (226 response(s), 2 skipped)
Question type: Dropdown Question

Q4 Please indicate the number of children in your care who use the playground and play equipment:

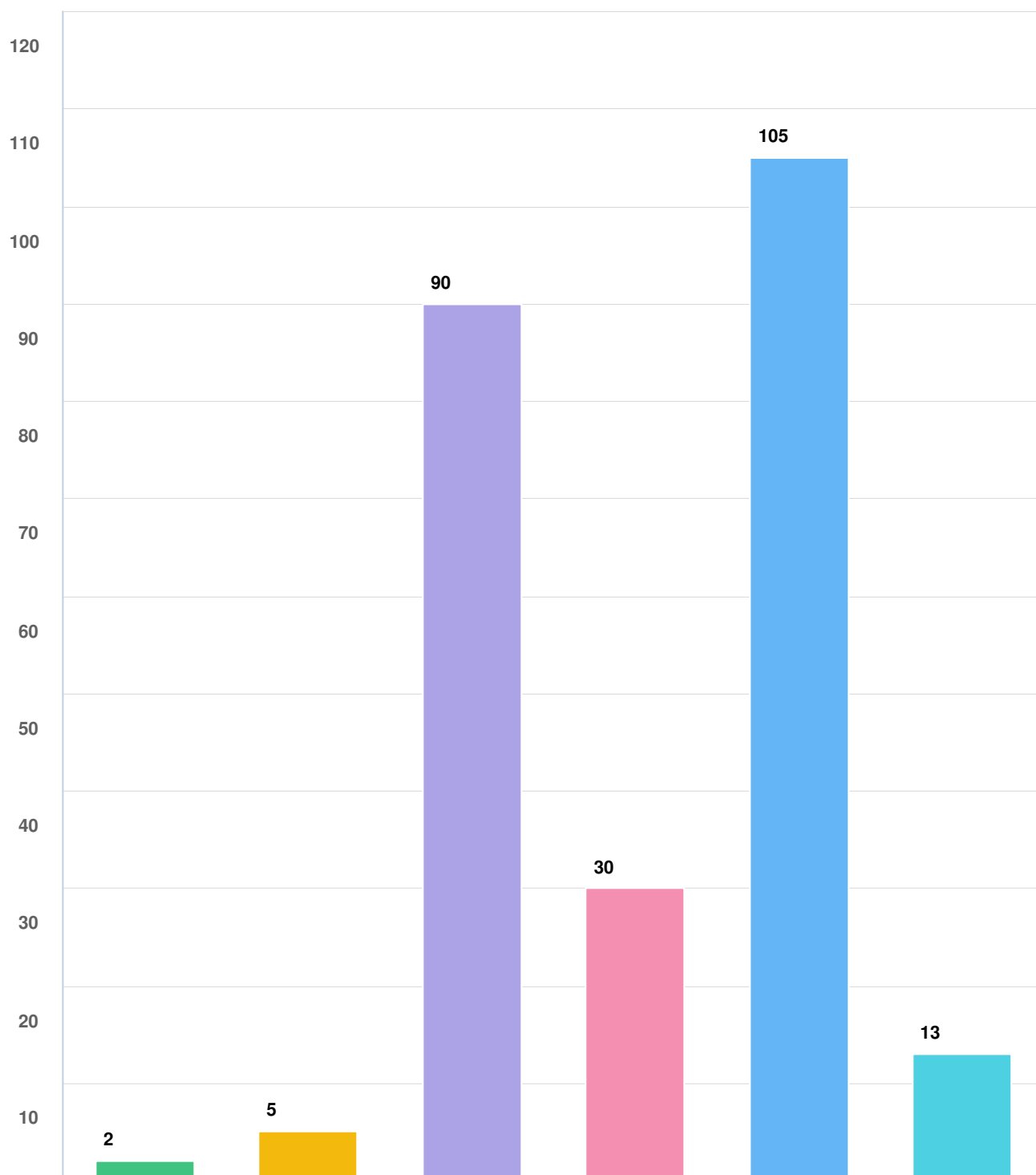


Question options

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 or more

Optional question (225 response(s), 3 skipped)
Question type: Dropdown Question

Q5 How often do you visit the playground at Mission Creek Regional Park?



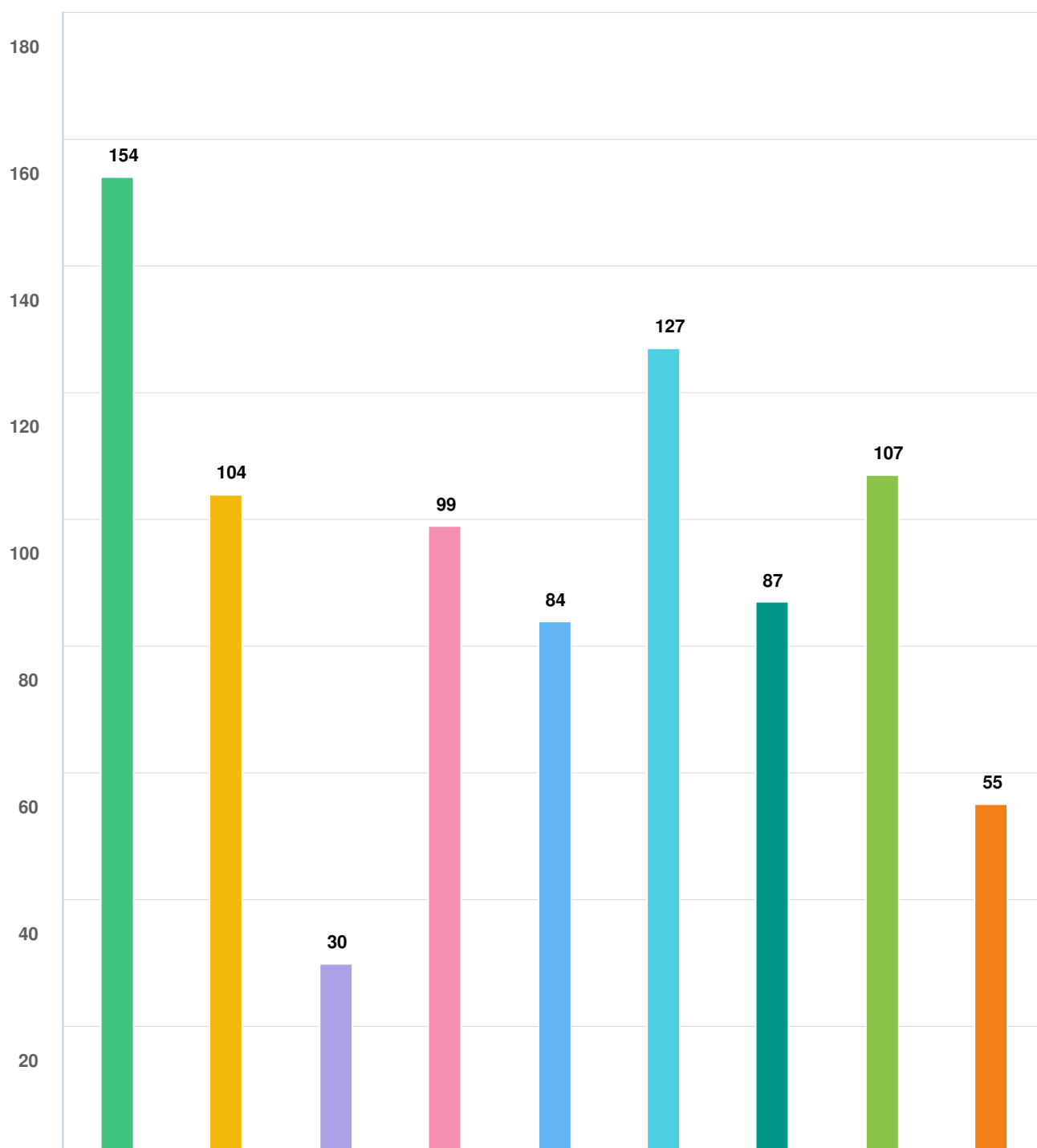
Question options

Never Daily Weekly Several times a week Monthly Annually

Optional question (227 response(s), 1 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

Q6 What do you like about the existing play structure and playground area? Check all that apply



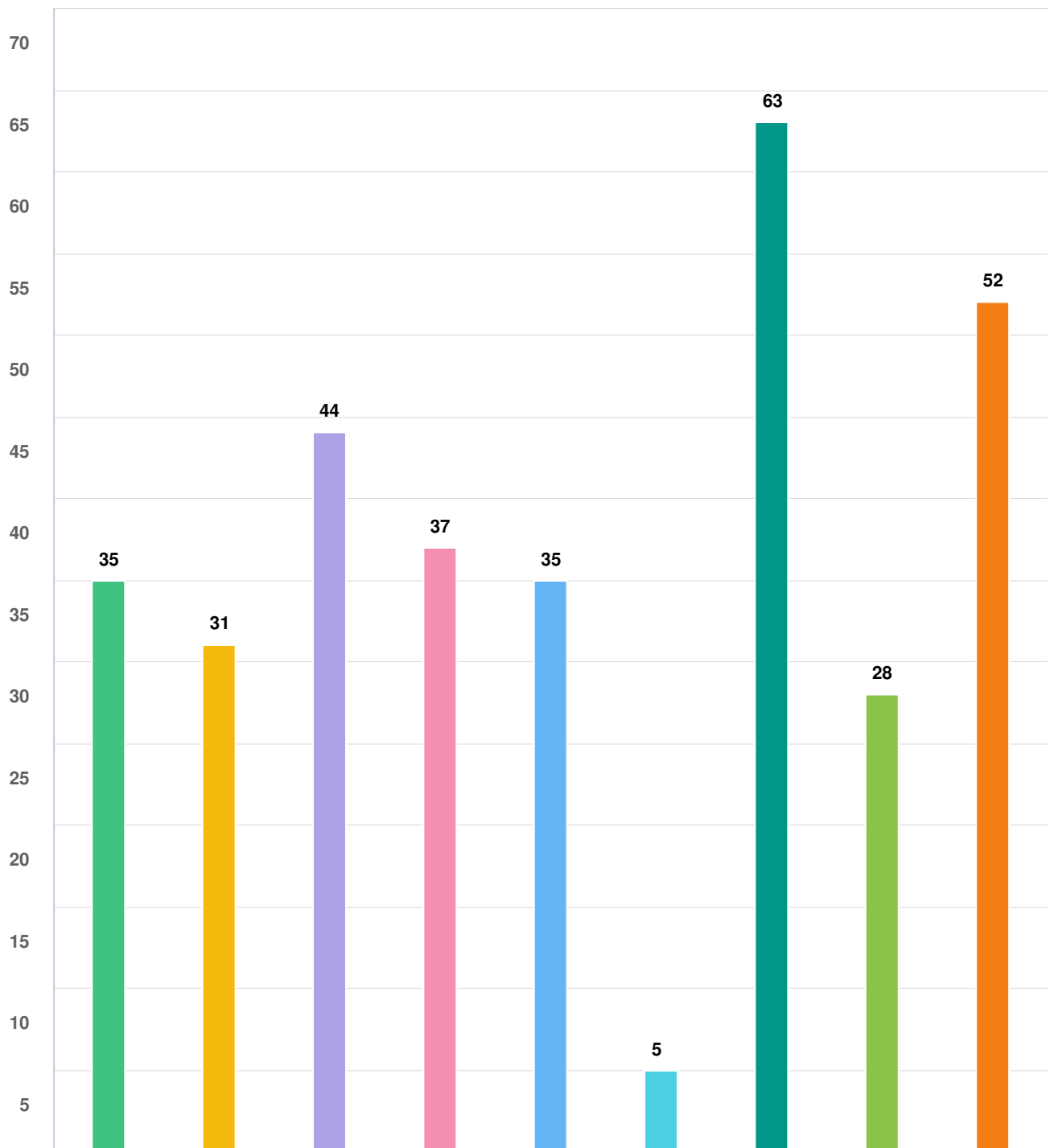
Question options

- Slides
 ● Monkey bars
 ● Chin-up bars
 ● Interactive play panels
 ● Overhead track ride
 ● Benches
- Safety surface (engineered wood fibre - resembles wood chips)
 ● Accessibility
 ● Other (please specify)

Optional question (219 response(s), 9 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

Q7 What do you dislike about the existing play structure and playground area? Check all that apply



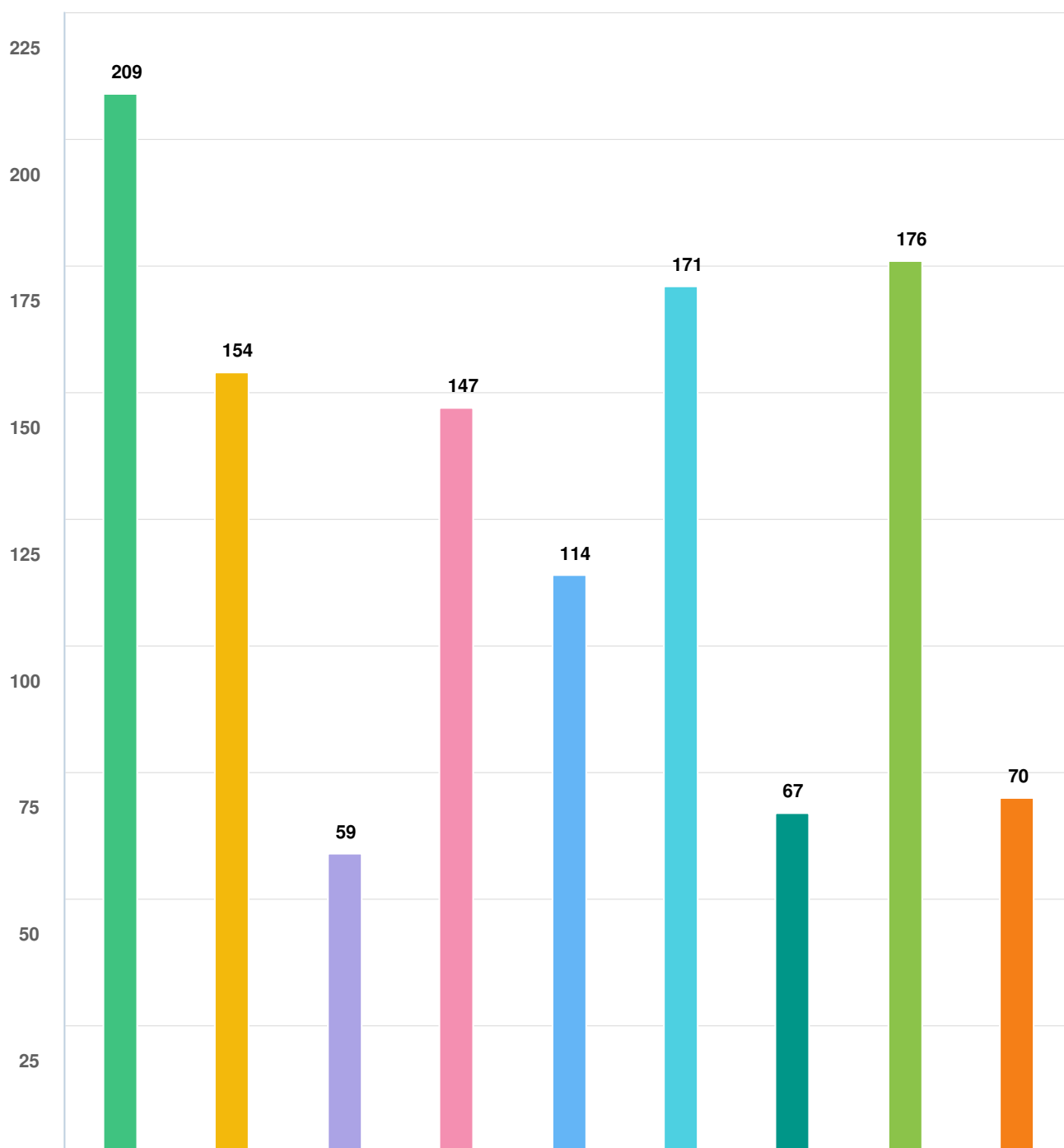
Question options

- Slides
 ● Monkey bars
 ● Chin-up bars
 ● Interactive play panels
 ● Overhead track ride
 ● Benches
- Safety surface (engineered wood fibre - resembles wood chips)
 ● Accessibility
 ● Other (please specify)

Optional question (167 response(s), 61 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

Q8 Which of the following play equipment should be included in the renewal of the play structures? Check all that apply:



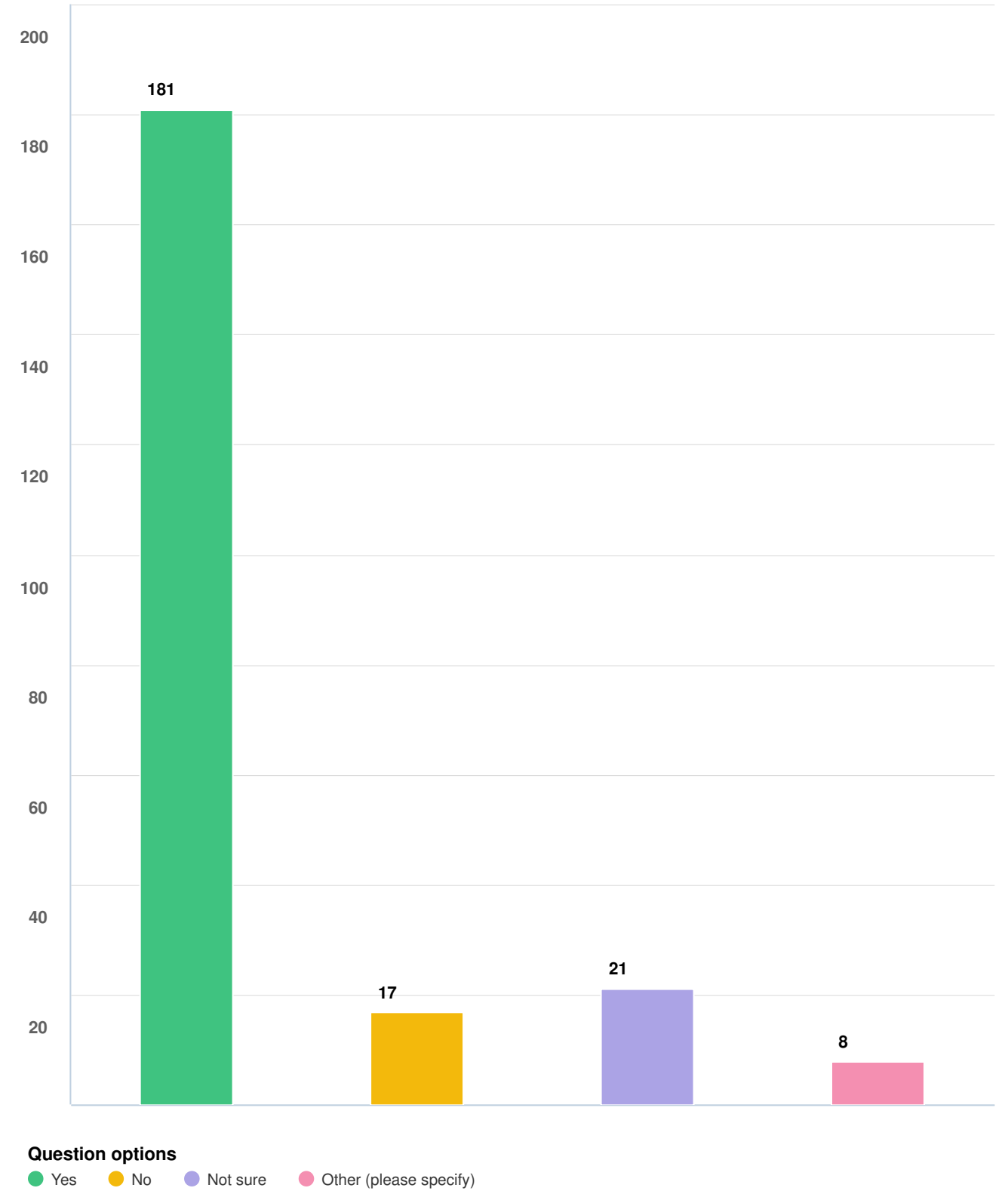
Question options

- Slides
 ● Monkey bars
 ● Chin-up bars
 ● Interactive play panels
 ● Overhead track ride
 ● Benches
- Engineered wood fibre (Resembles wood chips)
- Pour-in-place recycled rubber (Surface surrounding the multi-sensory play area)
 ● Other (please specify)

Optional question (227 response(s), 1 skipped)

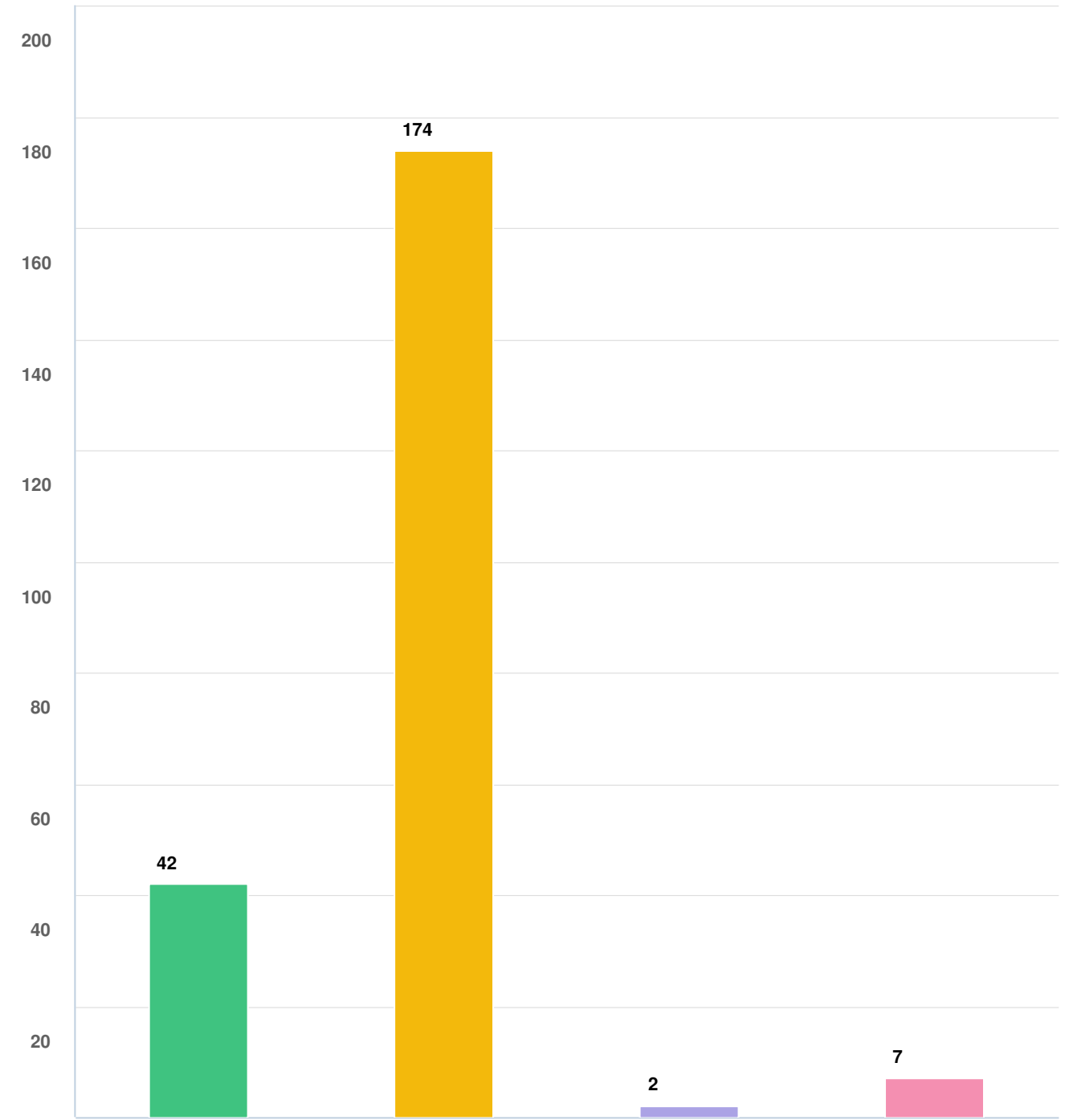
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Q9 Due to the rope climbing structure's condition and high usage, it is also due to be renewed in 2024. Do you support replacing the rope climbing structure with the same or similar structure?



Optional question (227 response(s), 1 skipped)
Question type: Checkbox Question

Q10 Which of the following types of safety surfacing do you prefer:



Question options

- Engineered wood fibre (resembles wood chips - comprises most of the existing surface)
- Pour-in-place recycled rubber (surface surrounding the multi-sensory play area)
- None of the above
- Other (please specify)

Optional question (225 response(s), 3 skipped)
Question type: Checkbox Question

Q11 | Please share your thoughts here with any other considerations we should include in our design brief to renew the play structures:

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10/19/2023 01:59 PM

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10/19/2023 04:39 PM

Please consider high summer temperatures when designing the new playground, metal slides get too hot to safely use in the summer, black rubber surfaces also get very hot, increased accessibility would be nice for wheel chair users or people with limited mobility

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10/19/2023 04:52 PM

Please make sure the design is multi age appropriate! Even creating sections specific for younger and older kids as there is not a lot of accessible parks in Kelowna for toddlers.

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10/19/2023 07:02 PM

The park and playground area should be bigger. This park is popular and crowded, and should have a separate toddler area & big kid area. An included water park if possible would be a great addition.

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10/19/2023 07:40 PM

Please make access to playground easy for ALL ages, safer railings and a lot bigger!

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10/19/2023 08:51 PM

More accessible equipment, in ground trampolines, more spinners, more climbing areas. Thanks!

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10/20/2023 07:22 AM

The ramp going up to the playground is such a nice feature for little kids - it makes it so much more accessible. Would love a new playground to keep that.

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10/20/2023 10:55 AM

please add a historical presence to the design of the equipment

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10/20/2023 09:41 PM

Leave as much of the original structure. It is great. Just add to it.

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10/22/2023 04:12 AM

Multi-level

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10/22/2023 06:33 AM

Kelowna needs an epic playground. We drive to West Kelowna to use Julia's Junction. Please consider a an accessible, interactive, safe, playground for Kelowna.

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10/22/2023 06:46 AM

This is one of the only places that autistic kids and ones with autism challenges can safely go, but there are limited swings. An area that is set up for easy slides, a walk up explore structure, and more swings that are lower to access but not the big plastic handicap ones. Also, having an area like this might be in a gated space so it becomes safer for kids who are wanderers. Having these kids in the are with rough fast running kids is scary. We have to choose our timing to come, and appreciate the space so much when we can use it. I have 2 with autism age 5 and 3: an active one, and a quiet one. Plus more who are busy.

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10/22/2023 07:11 AM

Multi level monkey bars are good for younger kids. Climbing structure could be expanded - often it is very full

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10/22/2023 07:40 AM

The slides are too short and boring even for my 3&5 y/os. They love the new slides at strathcona!

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10/22/2023 07:55 AM

When I take my classes to the park, the climbing structure is invariably the favourite and most used part of the equipment. Students' comments include, how fun it is, and that they never thought they could climb so well. It makes them more confident and willing to try new activities. In a world where climbing trees is usually forbidden, this structure gives them a sense of adventure in a safe environment.

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10/22/2023 08:05 AM

The current play structure is whoafully outdated and unsafe. Please take a look at what the city of calgary has done with several of its parks (ie. airport playground) aswell as what telus spark in calgary has done with their playground. Both have multi level, challenging, interactive, and Learning features that stimulate childrens brains. Please make This an opportunity to setup a top notch playground in the heart of the city something such as the quilchena park way out in the mission but closer for families in the heart of the city. Thank you

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10/22/2023 08:14 AM

I like that the current structure is accessible to younger children

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As above. Please consult www.westkelownacity/juliasjunction to learn

10/22/2023 08:14 AM

more about what we did at Julia's Junction to create a truly inclusive playspace. It's important to make sure every new or refurbished play space is created to be inclusive. A big part of this is the surfacing (poured in placed rubber and or artificial turf with rubber base layer). Also, select equipment that can be accessed by ALL so that ALL kids can play together.

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10/22/2023 08:25 AM

Consider kids of all ages. The current play area is for very small kids. The slides are small and slow. Quilchena Park is a good example of having something for everyone.

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10/22/2023 08:44 AM

Would love to see more elements like what we saw in denmark. Their playgrounds were amazing!

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10/22/2023 08:48 AM

More picnic tables, benches closer to the playground. Where families can gather and enjoy a few hours in nature.

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10/22/2023 09:22 AM

A bigger play ground as so many people use it. A bit of a divide between a toddler/smaller child area and an area for older kids.

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10/22/2023 09:26 AM

Please consider putting a larger size change table in the bathroom. This is such a barrier to taking our child out who is a wheelchair. We need a full size change table not a baby one. Please consult with accessibility experts that have worked with design for kids that cannot propel themselves. What could you add that they would enjoy???

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10/22/2023 09:33 AM

A water park would be wonderful. Another washroom located closer to picnic shelter. No chains on tables in picnic shelter area would allow a better use of structure when rented out for event.

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10/22/2023 09:52 AM

More structures for older children. More swings and slides. More adventure-style play structures like the other newer wooden playground/ adventure park that yo installed up Springfield.

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Please keep a ramp in the design!

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10/22/2023 10:14 AM

2 different age group structures. For example 1 area for kids 4 and under that also allow the parents to walk through with their kids and the other area for older kids with higher structures, larger slides, zip

lines , climbing walls etc.

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10/22/2023 10:18 AM

More swings would be cool as well though. I'd really like it if we added some of the parent/toddler swings (they have some in parkland, bc where a parent and child can swing together facing one another on the same mechanism.) There aren't any like this in Kelowna or the surrounding areas that I've seen so it would be cool to have them!

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10/22/2023 10:22 AM

Please consider creating a PAVED bike pump track. Mission creek is a great central location for it. If not please consider placing one somewhere in the city. Municipalities like Richmond BC have them and they are amazing for kids.

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10/22/2023 10:37 AM

Plastic slides, higher monkey bars, an updated track ride, a wood free play structure, no wood chips at all, more tables that aren't so far from the playing area. It's a great playground, but it's a playground that even I played on when I was a child. It is outdated, and the wooden structure is terrible for splinters. All of the play equipment is the same equipment I would like to see in a new playground, just updated versions of it all. And wood chips are a parents worst nightmare. They are the worst, and a rubber safety surface would be perfect for this playground. A memorial for Mindy Tran would also be a special addition and well deserved monument.

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10/22/2023 10:42 AM

Like said above, Edmonton is an amazing example of good playgrounds.

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10/22/2023 10:50 AM

this playground would benefit from shade overtop of the main play structure. And areas of the main play structure more suitable for kids older than 5 like the strathcona park.

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Too much of existing equipment for toddler age. Should have equipment more suitable for children age 4-12.

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10/22/2023 11:16 AM

Mission creek park is one of the only parks that is actually safe for kids aged 2-5. There are hundreds of parks around the okanagan that are designed for older kids. This park has been a blessing to our family while the kids were little. We've spent hours watching our toddlers run around the square track of the structure. Great for parents to bring home tired kids (selfishly). I hope when the park is redone that it looks similar and isn't designed by the same people

who keep putting in structures that require climbing up metal steps 2 feet apart, 9 feet high, and over a dragon.

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10/22/2023 11:35 AM

Toddler friendly play area

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Please take inspiration from RIVERSIDE PARK playground in Kamloops!!!!!!

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Please keep it toddler accessible!

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Please consider that a large amount of children who play at the park are under the age of 5 and parents need to feel like their children are safe when they play independently (great examples are Centennial park, Rowcliff, and Parkinson rec.) If a parent has more than 1 child, it is difficult to monitor both at the same time and worry some of there are drop offs that a child could fall off of.

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10/22/2023 11:40 AM

Please make it bigger! There is not enough there for the kids

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Please please please keep that awesome huge climbing structure. Kids love that.

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This park is such a great place for parents with smaller kids because it's low to the ground and accessible. Please try to keep the design similar so we don't lose an amazing place for our kids.

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10/22/2023 12:09 PM

It would be lovely to see a Central Park in Kelowna be more wheelchair user friendly for kids who can't play on structures themselves.

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Julia's Junction has a lot of new and unique elements. Taking that as a model would be great. Also have a smaller play structure for those 4 and under so they don't get trampled by the big kids.

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10/22/2023 12:14 PM

Play activities and spaces for all ages, even toddlers and small children to explore their own boundaries. Safe places to climb and slide

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Please keep it accessible for all ages. This is the best park for toddlers and older kids both to play at.

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More slides, accessible for toddlers to get up and down (the walk up Right now is great)

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10/22/2023 12:36 PM

The playground is a bit boring and has always been more for younger children. The rope climber was a nice addition but I would like to see more of the challenging features, bigger slides, higher climbers. This is a playground for kids but as a parent playing there with my kids it was never my favorite park because it's boring.

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10/22/2023 01:01 PM

Having benches close to the play structure is very important for those people that want to interact with their children but need to rest in between. The play structure being closer to the ground in some areas is great too.

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More structures for younger children please. Rubber flooring.

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Safety for toddlers

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I think it is important to keep this structure safe for toddlers. This is the most known park of the area that people feel safe to bring their littles to. But also is fun for the big kids. I definitely think there is enough structures that facilitate the older crowd and this park being pretty centralized should remain that place for all especially wheelchair accessible

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10/22/2023 01:29 PM

A toddler friendly area (that is toddler friendly for their level of climbing) my 18 month old loves to climb up the bars but they are a bit far apart for her at that age and easy for her to slip and fall

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More swings, and not replaced with low ones. Ramps of the current structure are so great for toddlers!

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It's easy to see your child from all angles. For example ben Lee is

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hard to get from one side to the other without losing sight of child or having to go under structure

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10/22/2023 01:43 PM

We love how the park appeals to all age groups, including toddlers and hope the new park does the same. It is one of few I can bring all my kids to (ages 1.5-9)

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10/22/2023 01:47 PM

Please ensure the new playground is accessible to young toddlers. The ramp is great! Stairs are also good. Some of the bigger playgrounds are inaccessible due to larger climbing platforms, ladders etc.

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10/22/2023 01:51 PM

More benches and tables should be placed around the play structure. Closer garbage can. More slides and maybe a fun tunnel

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Accessibility for young kids (ages 1-3 years) is very important at this particular playground. It's a little frustrating that when asking "what are the ages of your children that play here?" there isn't even an option for kids under 2. Babies up to age 2 are a main demographic for this playground because the layout and current structure allow them to play safely. This MUST be maintained as there are very few playgrounds in Kelowna that work well for these young children.

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10/22/2023 02:04 PM

Love Mission Creek and the park is fantastic. My preference for pour-in-place is to limit children from ingesting the wood chips.

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Lots of young toddlers play here. It's important that the park stay safe and accessible for them.

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It's a very popular park that many people go to at once, it needs to be a large size playground so kids can play comfortably. I would recommend something similar to the new playground that is at Watson elementary. They're playground renewal is beautiful.

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I think a high accessible playground would be great. A safe space for toddlers.

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We would love to see more swings! Kiddos are always fighting over the few that are there.

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10/22/2023 03:00 PM

Please look into the more natural playgrounds that encourage climbing, balance and coordination

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10/22/2023 03:03 PM

Alot of the new playgrounds are getting quite boring. Kids want to climb, spin and have fun.

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10/22/2023 03:03 PM

A lot of parks in Kelowna are accessible for toddlers and this one is I just hope you take that into consideration

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10/22/2023 03:10 PM

Kids really like & enjoy the rope swings you can sit on and fly down the trail. Shannon Lake elementary has them. Keep the accessibility & in mind. Vancouver has some neat playgrounds with in ground trampolines. Double swings for parent & child.

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10/22/2023 03:14 PM

A covered or shaded play area would be nice. However, given the poor planning lately for many other 'renewed' playgrounds across Kelowna and West Kelowna (both Strathcona Beach in Kelowna and Devon Park in West Kelowna are prime examples), I have very little expectation that this current renewal will include an upgrade or will even be useable for kids. It would be great if the new structure was actually something kids would enjoy instead of something that looks interesting to an adult who isn't even going to interact with the structure.

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Please keep the rope structure, my kids love it and climb to the top frequently

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10/22/2023 03:46 PM

The rope climbing structure is extremely dangerous. It should be replaced by something that is safer for all children to play on.

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10/22/2023 04:34 PM

Please include more tables and benches with shade structures
Create an accessible playground like Julia's Junction Have more imaginative/dramatic play areas (store fronts, houses) Variety of swing types More slides that are both covered and uncovered

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10/22/2023 04:47 PM

Just more of everything. It's so popular it would be wonderful to more than one slide more than zip line etc.

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10/22/2023 04:54 PM

Play space for children of all ages including toddlers. Inclusive space for children and parents of different abilities. Julia's junction on the westside is a model for a truly beautiful, inclusive and fun playground. Kelowna could use a space like this!!

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10/22/2023 06:10 PM

Adding a zip line that is easy for children to bring back to start.... or accessible from both sides. Or add the sitting down/ swing zip line

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I love that there are multiple access points for children that offer varying challenges based on abilities. Please consider to do the same with the new play structure.

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10/22/2023 06:46 PM

More natural/ nature based play area that gives information about animals and trees in the area . Different multi age play structures that can be accessed by anyone. More swings especially those with the bucket seat. Different height slides for any child's age group. More benches around the playground for parents Please keep the bathrooms! And move garbage cans a bit further away from the road.

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10/22/2023 07:44 PM

I encourage the regional district to create an accessible playground for all abilities.

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10/22/2023 08:01 PM

Please try to make this playground accessible to all ages from a one year old to an 8 year old. Maybe take more surveys with sample images and ask what people like and don't like about it. After my daughter got kicked in the face by another climbing the bars she has only ever gone on the swings since. Looking forward to an upgrade!

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10/22/2023 08:48 PM

I am not sure if Kinsman Park Playground in Kelowna falls under your jurisdiction. That playground is sadly lacking an update. It is so old, that even our 3 and 5 year olds do not want to play on it. It is a beautiful park and the park and the children deserve a playground update!! Thank you for your time.

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10/22/2023 09:24 PM

Accessibility

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10/22/2023 10:20 PM

Please add a dog park

Screen Name Redacted 10/22/2023 10:38 PM	The play area should have more play alternatives for older as well as younger children
Screen Name Redacted 10/22/2023 10:46 PM	My kids who are now older teens never liked this playground as kids/tweens there wasn't enough climbing challenges, slides were boring etc. They did and still climb on the rope climbing structure when we go to the park for other reasons. There favourite park is in Vancouver - Douglas Park. I've always loved how it had sections for all age groups toddlers through teens https://www.google.com/search?q=douglas+park&sca_esv=575703562&sxsrf=AM9HkKnDzAU4t2tmm8sQ1tZxE6hem8tsag%3A1698039664937&ei=cAc2Zd3pONmS0PEPj_qNwAc&ved=0ahUKEwj4avYuouCAxVZCTQIHQ99A3gQ4dUDCBA&uact=5&oq=douglas+park&gs_lp=Egxnd3Mtd2l6LXNlcniAidGRvdWdsYXMgcGFyazITEC4YrweYxwEYp gMYqAMYigUYJzIIEAAYgAQYsQMyBRAAGIAEMgcQABiKBRhDMgcQABiKBRhDMgUQABiABDIFEAAyAQyERAuGK8BGMcBGKYDGKgDGLADGEPIYAQHCAGcQABiABBgK4gMEGAAGQYgGAZAGFLLoGBggBEAEYCLoGBggCEAEYFA&sclient=gws-wiz-serp&bshn=rime/1#rlimm=3148219058698416394
Screen Name Redacted 10/23/2023 09:20 AM	Section for older kids and a section for younger kids. More swings and slides
Screen Name Redacted 10/23/2023 11:52 AM	Please keep the swings!!
Screen Name Redacted 10/23/2023 12:10 PM	More benches More swings More slides - different lengths
Screen Name Redacted 10/23/2023 08:13 PM	Mission Creek needs a separate but close toddler and bigger children features, such as a Richmond's natural climbing fort, Jamie Bell Adventure Playground or Vancouver's Rainbow Park with a jumping spot, double teeter totter, Slidey slides/climbing wall and Swings. Technical Outdoor Solutions has some great ropes course ideas that could be incorporated into a fort or tall climbing apparatus. Toddlers may use the park during school weekdays but weekends and holidays this place needs more diverse age activities for families. We also wish for a pump track somewhere in Mission Creek. Lastly, a Gaga pit and (Ogopogo) Snakes and ladders ground board encourages community

play.

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10/23/2023 09:10 PM

The overhead track ride is great but shorter children (and parents) have a hard time swinging it back. There should be more benches for parents to sit on. Keep the playground accessible for all ages - toddlers and older children Include more swings Maybe try to incorporate the newer wooden playground at the other end of the playground??

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10/24/2023 12:10 AM

Please make the play structure accessible and have lots of features for babies and toddlers as well as some for elementary - aged kids.

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10/24/2023 10:37 AM

This is a high use playground, it would be great to make the structure bigger to allow for more children to play at the same time and not feel "full". The rope climbing structure is much enjoyed by many kids, and adds an element of exercise with fun.

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10/24/2023 02:09 PM

Please keep it one structure that kids can be on and stay on for a while instead of always having to climb down to do the next activity. My son loves being able to watch bigger kids up-close but isn't being climbed over like at other parks. The nice thing about the existing mission structure is that it's accessible for many kids to play safely on at once but if kids want they can easily get to the ground via many different options. It's always busy but never feels overrun, unlike at strathcona park which is too built way too small and too complicated for most little ones. Its also really easy to see what the children are doing at the current structure. It would be nice to more seating benches and garbage cans at the revamp plus a larger paved area for kids to practice on bikes or scooters.

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10/24/2023 09:10 PM

Please include shade structures to help shade the playground and please try to ensure the slide is north facing, or in an area where shade is provided. In the summer months with the increasing temperatures each summer, playgrounds are becoming increasingly unusable after 10 am because the slides are too hot to slide on and there is limited shade available over or near the playground putting kids at risk of heat exposure

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10/25/2023 12:53 PM

I strongly encourage designing and constructing a playground that is inclusive to families with neurodivergent kids and kids with varying levels of developmental and cognitive abilities. There's simply insufficient playgrounds to bring marginalized population together with

rest of the community. Julia's Junction in West Kelowna is the only inclusive park in the region that is designed by and for kiddos with diversabilities. Including families and community partners with direct experience in the conversation and during the planning phase would help create something very special for everyone in a popular Regional Park.

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10/25/2023 01:21 PM

Please please add more swings! Both infant swings and others. There is always a wait for them and as a regional park that is visited by 100's at a time, there needs to be more than just the one.

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10/26/2023 11:48 AM

Way more swings, for babies and big kids. Zip line would be awesome. Slide for younger kids and a higher slide for older kids.

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10/26/2023 08:11 PM

This is one of the best playgrounds for young toddlers (1-3) in Kelowna as there is a continuous running surface (no steps) from ground level, up the ramp to the main 'square' structure. We are hoping the new design includes this accessibility feature, with no need to step-up between sections or jump across any gaps. Thanks!

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11/04/2023 04:40 PM

This play structure is nice because it is wood. It fits into the background of mission creek park nicely because of the wood. The material gives the park an earthy quality.

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11/05/2023 07:32 AM

More slides, lots of monkey bars at varying heights,

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11/08/2023 12:20 PM

Separate age appropriate areas , one for younger kids and a separate area for older kids.

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11/08/2023 03:25 PM

Would love to see more of a nature based playground. Look at models in Denmark. Their parks are amazing and allow for more open ended play.

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11/08/2023 03:39 PM

mission creek park has always been great for younger kids and we would love for it to continue to be accessible for smaller children

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11/09/2023 02:37 PM

Julia's Junction in West Kelowna is fantastic for all ages. Fully fenced and lots of different options close to the ground. Railings are vertical.

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11/09/2023 10:23 PM

This structure has been very accessible to smaller age children.
Many new play structures can be difficult for younger children to climb up. The ramp leading up is fantastic!

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11/10/2023 08:10 PM

Accessible for all abilities means providing opportunities for "heavy" work for kids with adhd and asd. Too often "accessible" playgrounds are put in to serve the relatively small number of kids with mobility issues, and remove the types of apparatus needed by sensory seeking kids for their wellbeing. It is important to provide options for all ages and abilities to enjoy the park together. Creating teen, school age, + preschool, friendly spaces is best. Maybe in the future planning to add a pump track, skate park, gaga pit, or ninja zone would make it more teen friendly. Adding natural barriers to help minimize ASD bolters is helpful too. I do not like the rubber surfaces because they get too hot in ok summers. Planning for shade is key to full year use.

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11/10/2023 08:30 PM

I think there should be more active play for teenagers and all ages. I think challenge by choice opportunities is really important, And if you make everything accessible to people who are wheelchair users non-wheelchair users may not have the ability to be challenged.

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11/11/2023 10:23 AM

Swings, merry go round, tire swing, zip line, tube slide

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11/11/2023 01:41 PM

My child loves the track ride but the current one is difficult for me to reach. Especially because it seems that maintenance isn't done on it, it's stuck and doesn't return to the starting position. Just something to keep in mind for the new structure.

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11/11/2023 05:32 PM

The recycled rubber gets too hot in the summer

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11/11/2023 09:39 PM

Please do not include pour-in recycled tires as surface for our children. They emit toxins like forever chemicals and hydrocarbons and with the type of heat we get in Kelowna, the playground will smell and our kids will inhale. Also the park is near the mission creek which the toxin chemicals will leach into the ecosystem when it rains. Big cities in California and Europe are starting to rip these recycled tires surface out of parks and soccer field due to the increase cancer cases on the kids. These recycle rubbers come from recycle tires which are not treated to get the lead, toxins out of the material.

Please reconsider for the safety of nature and our young children.

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11/11/2023 10:48 PM

More design elements that cater to younger toddlers

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11/12/2023 04:08 PM

I just wanted to say they made modern playgrounds quite lame for awhile very plastic and metal with kids work out equipment and weird things they never use. I was amazed at how beautiful Ballou Park in Glenmore was. I believe that a similar concept will make people happy who are scared of replacing the playground. It is the aesthetics and shape of structure people are afraid to miss replaced with something cheap, plastic and overly safe which makes playground no fun. For a playground to be fun it has to have some level of unsafety if that makes sense. Best of luck with the project.

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11/12/2023 08:53 PM

More climbing structures

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11/13/2023 09:55 PM

Would love to see this upgraded! Would love to see it able to be used by multiples ages and abilities (though I know that is challenging in and of itself!) can't wait to see what you bring in!

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11/27/2023 06:37 PM

Multi level slides. Balancing and hanging structures. Look at Nelson's playground that's at their park by the water. We always like the pipe that you can talk through.

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11/28/2023 09:34 AM

Make it fun, interesting, unique, exciting, and, challenging please

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11/28/2023 11:22 AM

More things for smaller toddlers. Children of below average height.

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11/28/2023 12:24 PM

One of the biggest problems in Kelowna's parks is you can't use them in the winter and the metal is too hot in summer - figure out a way to put a big cover over it (think shade cover but also protects against snow to winterized it so kids can still use it on rainy and snowy days but still let's light it and they can be outside - it's not that hard - then if u want to go a step further figure out using solar panels how to run warm water through the climbing bars etc so kids can still use them in the winter (as they can't use them with big mittens on and often can't even climb onto a structure) and you can then use it to runcold water through it in summer so kids don't burn their hands - make it more

useable all year round - there are not enough playgrounds that consider winter - yet parents of young children still need to get out every day with their kids - please come up with solutions for our climate - if u go to australia their are tons of indoor free playgrounds because of the heat - we need solutions for the cold and heat of our climate (kids struggle to use playgrounds if they are too hot and it burns them or if they are too cold and wet!) Also if you check the park majority of users on a daily basis are under 2 - that's because moms are off work and with their kids most often in that age demographic and they want to get out every day - yet we have no parks really that include a section safe for kids that age - it's ludacris - the park in penticton on the water is an amazing example of a park that has great stuff for kids under 2 and for big kids - as does the big park in hope bc - kelowna doesn't design parks well - they could learn a lot from these communities

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11/28/2023 12:52 PM

Enough seating for parents to sit and supervise. More slides.

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11/29/2023 10:48 PM

make it more accessible please!!! keep it the same height but maybe some more fringe swings etc. if you added in more swings it would be a huge hit.

Screen Name Redacted

11/29/2023 10:54 PM

Im not too familiar with the type of safety surfacing, but something that is less toxic and better for the environment.

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11/29/2023 11:17 PM

I'd like it to have a theme. We always referred to this one as the "pirate ship". It would be amazing if it actually was one. I loved the little slide. It was perfect for little kids.

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11/30/2023 06:38 AM

Currently at a great height and footprint. Height makes it accessible for children of most ages (climb or jump when older), and the footprint allows for speed and agility on the structure. Variety of activities keeps children engaged

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11/30/2023 07:21 AM

Separate play areas for older/younger children - larger/faster kids looking for more adventurous play cause conflicts with younger toddlers who are just learning to climb and play on the structure...kids aren't spacially and emotionally aware, so collisions on mixed playgrounds are frequent. Kettle Valley and other modern playgrounds do a great job of this by having smaller/larger play structures to cater to different age groups/confidence levels.

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11/30/2023 07:38 AM

I have 3 children, my older two (6 and 8) are autistic. Although one really enjoys the chaos and stimulation of a bunch of children, the other does not. That child is a lot more cautious and gets overwhelmed when people are too close. A play space that offers the ability for children to be close (currently the playground offers an environment where all the kids are jammed together), but also the option to play separate but near children would also be beneficial. Currently the play structure sees children of all ages. It needs to have an area for smaller children as well as an area for big kids. I also have a 1 year old with suspected cerebral palsy. She most likely will need braces on her legs. If this happens, she needs a flat surface to navigate the playground. Wood chips would not be easy for her to walk on. Also wood chips just shouldn't be in a child's play area. With kelownas increase in homeless and drug use, being able to SEE what is around the playground is a benefit to all. Glass, needles and cigarette butts need to be visible to the parent.

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11/30/2023 01:32 PM

Please include play areas for all age groups, sometimes I go with families of all ages , it's nice for them to all have something to do. A zip line would be great and inground trampolines are super fun

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11/30/2023 01:51 PM

Being a high volume park in the centre of the city, also with lots of tourist traffic, I believe some unique equipment not seen at other local parks, should be considered. Equipment such as a vertical roller slide, more swings (different kinds and for different ages), imaginative play area, water trough with sandbox, in ground trampolines to name a few. A playground that has a distinct 'toddler' playground and 'bigger kid' playground could be beneficial for the size of this space and type of visitors that frequent.

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11/30/2023 02:06 PM

More swings,higher monkey bars for older children

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12/01/2023 11:33 AM

I would love to see natural, earthy tones in the design vs. Primary colours. It would blend into the park nicer.

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12/01/2023 03:31 PM

As much as I like the idea of the wood chips, simply put, smaller children want to eat them. I like the low level of the playground structure and the long boardwalks for little ones to explore and play on even if they are too small for the bigger features like the monkey bars etc

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12/01/2023 03:40 PM

Parksville BC has the most amazing playground and park on the ocean. Instead of replacing playgrounds they keep the old ones and add a new play structure throughout the years so there are several play areas. Nanaimo city park also has one like this.

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12/01/2023 07:19 PM

Look at what Coquitlam neighborhood playgrounds are like. There are two separate play areas. One for big kids and one for little kids. It works very well

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12/01/2023 08:30 PM

As above. It's fine to have an accessible area to play but kids need to play in natural organic materials rather than chemical substances.

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12/02/2023 05:40 AM

This is the best playground in town for younger children (toddlers/preschool age). So many playgrounds in Kelowna are not very suitable for them and everything is too high up for them. We come to mission creek all the time because it is so great for little ones and swings are low enough kids can actually get on them on their own. Please consider keeping the new structure easily accessible like the current one, it will be so disappointing if the new structure is like most others in town. North Glenmore Elementary and Blair Pond are good examples of other newer accessible play structures for younger ages.

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12/02/2023 12:00 PM

More swings would be amazing. There is always a line up!

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12/02/2023 12:29 PM

There needs to be two separate areas - one made for under 6 and one for over 6. This will eliminate bigger kids impacting the curiosity of the younger ones and they will each have spaces more appropriate for their development. More swings, and more accessible for children with disabilities would be huge for this community. Right now they only have one swing! Perhaps 2 zip lines to avoid huge line ups.

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12/02/2023 01:16 PM

More accessible playground with ramps, more slides

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12/02/2023 03:32 PM

Think outside the box.

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12/02/2023 06:20 PM

We really like it as is! Please keep the design similar!

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12/02/2023 07:27 PM

The playground at Blair Pond Park is great for kids of all ages - I would take ideas from that one - the slides are awesome

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12/02/2023 07:54 PM

Something more accessible for littles for swings and another slide option (not metal). Added shade would be amazing for summer months. In general monkey bars /overhead play not next to the Interactive surface areas for littles as they get in the way of the bigger kids running around and swinging. Creating a fenced in area with one entrance/exit gated would be amazing for parents of multi kids or teachers with primary students

Screen Name Redacted

12/02/2023 08:50 PM

Think about adding a water spray park, double parent-kid swing (one in front of each others). Not a metal slide as they get hot Rubber surface to keep the park cleaner instead of wood chips, sand or rocks. Different play struxture for age difference (take example to Ville de St-Georges de Beauce) they have the perfect play structures and they dont cost as much as what we paid at Strathcona Park!!!!!!

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12/02/2023 09:36 PM

Kelowna desperately needs more larger playgrounds. There is an amazing playground in Parksville bc in the community centre. Kelowna would really benefit to have a park like the one in Parksville.

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12/03/2023 11:57 AM

Definitely love more accessible areas and a play surface that is rubberized (not wood chips) that a young child would pick up and attempt to eat.

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12/03/2023 02:05 PM

1: I've noticed in the warmer months the swings get very busy with lots of people waiting. Especially the baby swing since there's only 1. It'd be awesome if adding more swings could be an option! 2: It would be really cool too have a themed part of the play structure ie Castle, pirate ship etc to inspire pretend play.

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12/03/2023 04:36 PM

The current structure is great for little kids and is quite low to the ground which I like. More slide options would be good and more climbing apparatuses for little kids/intermediate. Rock climb or rope? Zipline? Balance structures etc

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12/03/2023 05:25 PM

Please make accessibility a priority so all children can enjoy the space

Screen Name Redacted
12/03/2023 08:01 PM

There is an amazing park called Generations Park in White Rock. It is very inclusive and engaging for a wide age range. It would be amazing to see something like that.

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12/03/2023 08:08 PM

We love the ability to just walk onto the play structure. We love the slide, ramps, and swings

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12/03/2023 08:36 PM

Bigger zip line ! Have various area for different age groups

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12/04/2023 09:00 AM

Vancouver island has some really nice play grounds that are accessible and enjoyed by all ages. For example the Parksville one. I hope to see ones similar to those throughout Kelowna in the future.

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12/04/2023 09:14 AM

Monkey bars for older kids and more swings!

Screen Name Redacted
12/04/2023 01:32 PM

More slides, more climbing areas and ramps, different monkey bars, rope swing vs track

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12/04/2023 04:48 PM

Due to high demand and how popular it is it is too small for the number of children using it.

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12/04/2023 08:15 PM

Pour in place flooring allows for more access by those with mobility issues who wish to play in and around the structure. This includes youth using the park and families attending the park with their children

Screen Name Redacted
12/04/2023 08:42 PM

Please, please keep accessibility in the forefront of your ideas!! Our granddaughter just looks at the wood chips when she is using her walker or her wheelchair and asks us how she is supposed to get around on the playground. Rubberized surfaces please! And some lower balance structures that she can access if we hold her hands. Julia's Junction in WK has some great ideas. Thank you for asking for our input.

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12/04/2023 09:02 PM

The use of natural elements for climbing and playing such as the large rocks near the cave and the rock circle around the play structure. Having low to the ground activities for younger children is much appreciated. The existing structure is wide and expansion which is nice. I prefer it to the narrow and more tall structures at other

parks. I love the wood and will be sad to see it replaced with plastic

Screen Name Redacted

12/05/2023 05:56 PM

Lower the use of wood or refrain from using wood that can rot and allow for wasp nets to appear.

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12/05/2023 09:09 PM

The existing structure is accessible for all children ages, including younger toddlers that are learning to walk and play. This park is our favourite for this reason and we drive from the Glenmore area because this park is easy and safe for our young daughter to play independently on. Please try and keep the existing design in mind when redesigning the park, specifically the wood ramps and low to the ground design.

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12/06/2023 06:17 AM

A toddler space is needed!

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12/06/2023 12:30 PM

Rubber surface is friendly for crawlers - I often find I'm unable to participate at playgrounds with my baby because of the wood chips or gravel. Playground should be accessible to all ages and abilities.

Screen Name Redacted

12/06/2023 01:06 PM

Please consider ASD children. Make the park safer, smaller steps, sensory area, etc

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12/06/2023 02:04 PM

I like the wood surface and creating a play space that integrates with the natural environment around the playground.

Optional question (162 response(s), 66 skipped)

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