

Swan Street Streetscape Masterplan

Engagement Report

August 2021



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Yarra City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people as the Traditional Owners and true sovereigns of the land now known as Yarra. We also acknowledge the significant contributions made by other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to life in Yarra. We pay our respects to Elders from all nations and to their Elders past, present and future.

Stage 1 – Community engagement report

Project description

The Swan Street Streetscape Masterplan covers the length of Swan Street between Punt Road and the Birrarung (Yarra River) as well as the areas around Richmond Library, East Richmond and Burnley Stations.

The Streetscape Masterplan is focused on the footpaths and public spaces in this precinct and provides a high-level framework for how these spaces could be enhanced. This includes improvements such as trees, greenery, seats, bike hoops, lighting and public art.

The Streetscape Masterplan identifies opportunities for improvements which can be taken forward as individual projects for more design work and delivery through Council's capital works programme.

Purpose of engagement

The purpose of this first round of engagement is to seek views from the community about the Swan Street area, to understand what they love about the Swan Street area and what they want to improve, as well as their priorities in terms of footpath and public space improvements. Their feedback will then be used to inform the development of a draft Streetscape Masterplan for Swan Street. A second round of consultation is planned on the draft document to get feedback from the community, check that we got it right and understand if there are other issues to be considered.

Objectives of engagement

The overall objectives of the engagement are to ensure that:

- the Streetscape Masterplan responds to the needs and aspirations of the diverse community, including residents, traders and visitors;
- the project information and engagement activities enable meaningful participation from the community;
- participants (both internal and external) feel their contributions have been valued and that they have been kept informed;
- the feedback from the community is used to inform the development of the masterplan; and
- Councillors and the community feel confident that a robust community engagement process informed the masterplan.

What did we do?

The first round of consultation took place between 15 April and 4 June 2021. Engagement activities included the following:

- Project page set up on Your Say Yarra website including:
 - Online survey
 - Online mapping tool
- Postcard drop off to businesses and residents in the surrounding area.
- Information provided at Richmond Library.
- Two on-street pop-up events.
- One online session offered for people who could not attend the in-person pop-up events.
- Information circulated to Advisory Groups and Committees.

What did we ask?

The survey asked people to give feedback in response to the following questions:

- Which of the following are most important to you? Rank your top 3.
 - The way the street looks
 - Cafes and restaurants

- Sense of community
- Bars and entertainment
- Outdoor dining
- Access to public transport (train and tram)
- What else do you love and value about Swan Street?
- How important are the following streetscape improvements to you?
Select one: not important, less important, neutral, important, very important.
 - Greenery and biodiversity
 - Safe and attractive pedestrian access to public transport
 - More bike parking
 - More public seating
 - More rubbish and recycling bins
 - More and improved public spaces
 - More public toilets
 - Art and sculptures along the street, in laneways and under the rail bridge
 - Changes to street lighting
 - Footpath improvements
- Do you have any other ideas to improve the footpaths along Swan Street to make it more user friendly, welcoming and attractive?
- Is there anything specific in the footpath space along Swan Street and surrounds that is not working and needs to be improved?

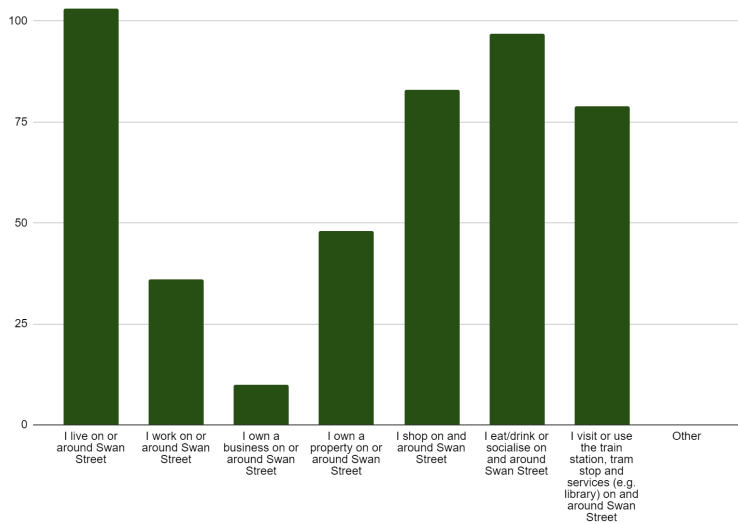
An online mapping tool was also provided for people to pinpoint locations and give feedback on things they love and things they want to improve.

Who did we hear from?

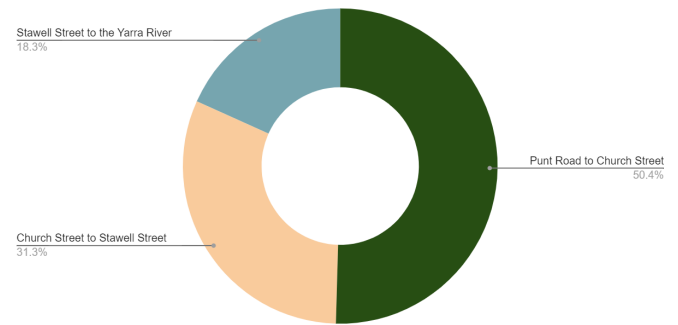
Council received 140 survey responses to the survey, nine email responses and about 40 people at the two on-street pop-up sessions.

The following data was collected from people who completed the surveys.

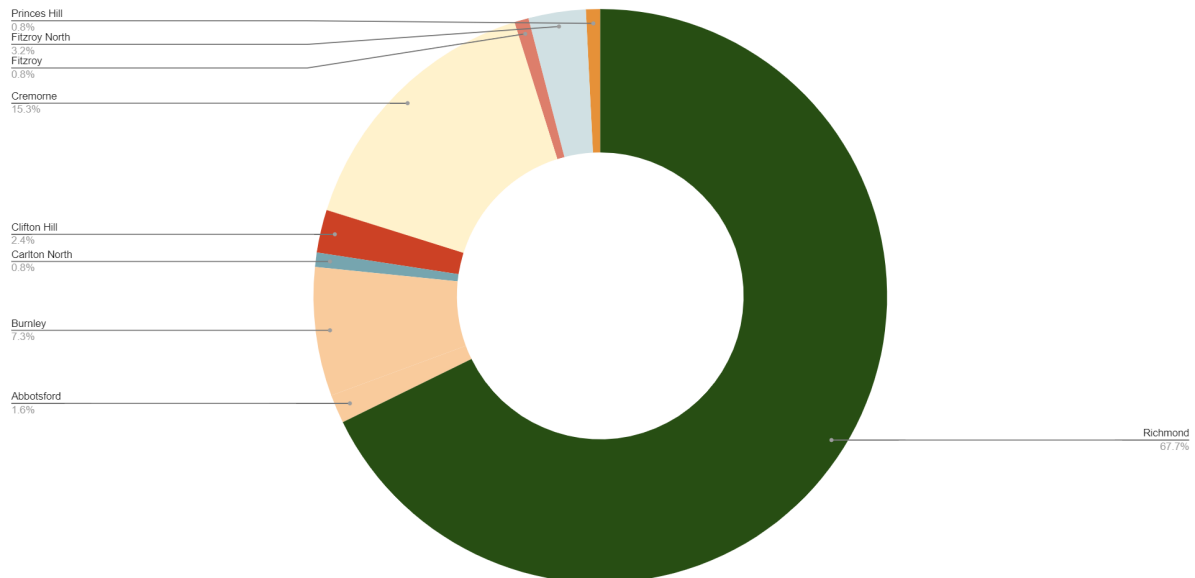
What is your relationship with Swan Street?



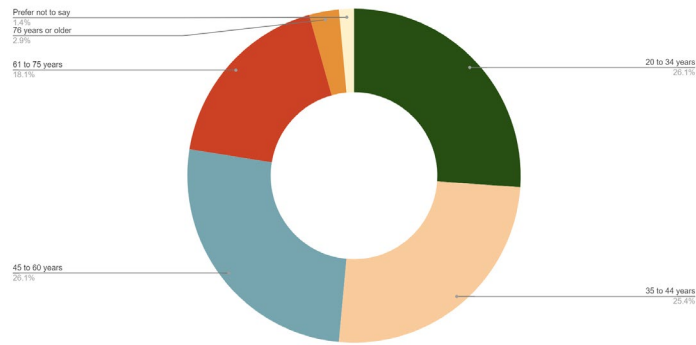
What section of Swan Street are you located in?



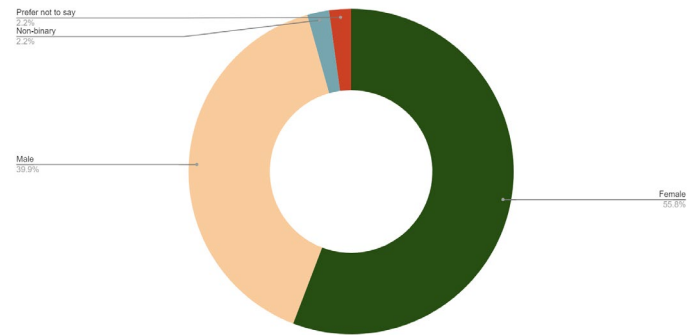
What suburb do you live in?



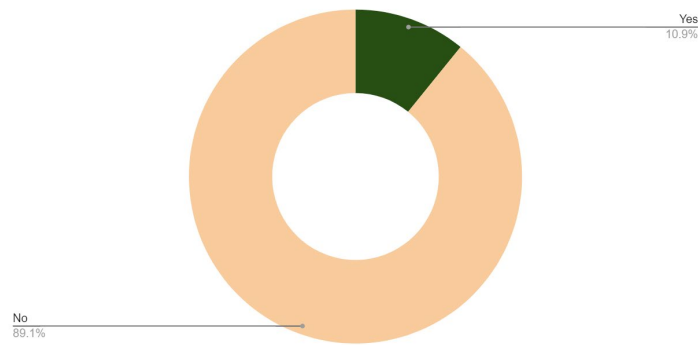
How old are you?



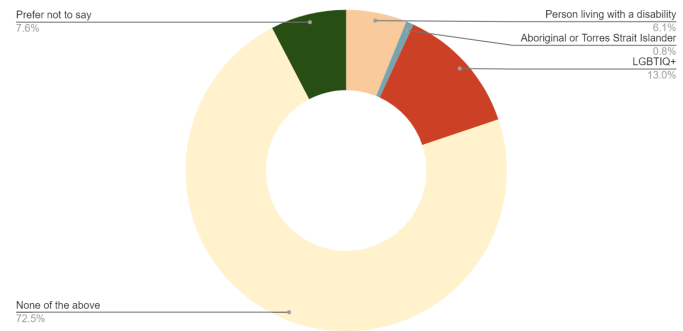
What is your gender?



Do you speak a language other than English at home?



Do you identify as any of the following?



Swan Street consultation – what did we hear?

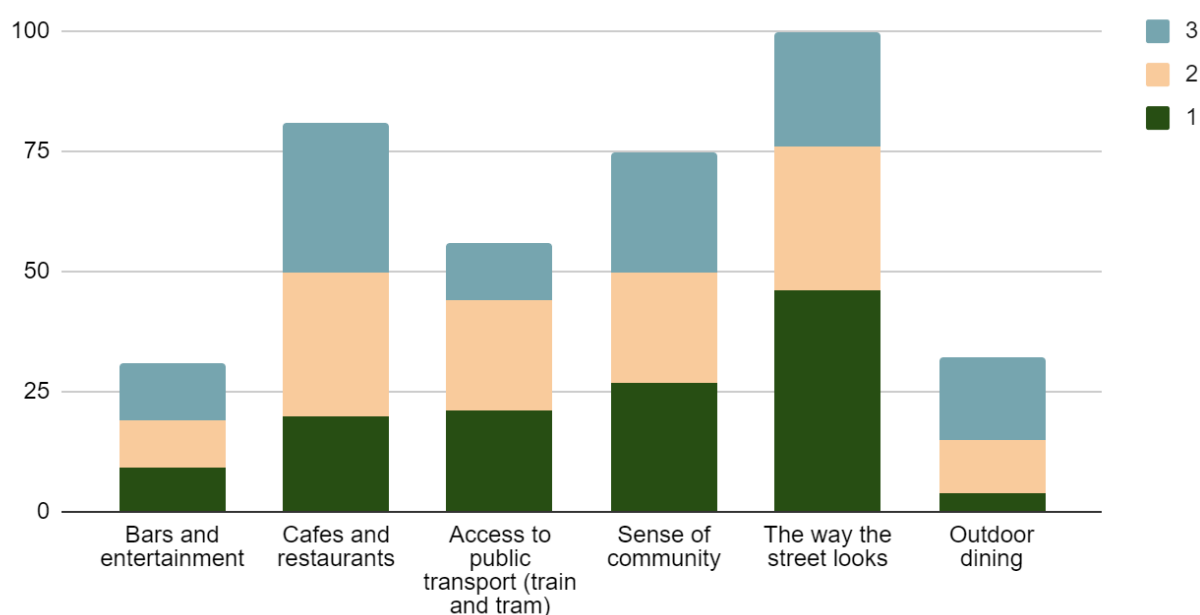
Feedback was provided through surveys (online and hard copy), online mapping tool, pop-up activities and direct email.

Survey

140 responses received – 133 online surveys and 7 hard copy surveys. Responses are set out below under each of the questions. The demographic information is set out in the previous section of this report.

Which of the following are most important to you?

Tell us your top three by ranking from 1 to 3, with 1 being the most important.



What else do you love and value about Swan Street?

People provided open feedback to this question. The most frequent comments (made by at least 5 individuals) related to the following:

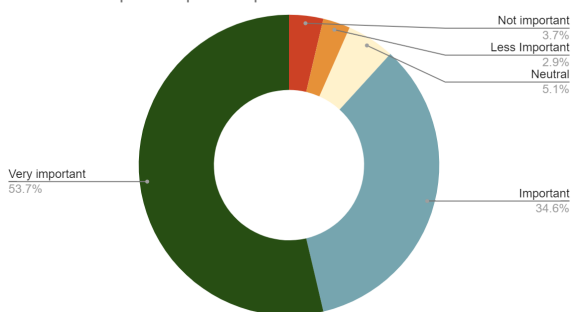
- Local businesses – shops, cafes, restaurants, bars/pubs (32)
- Vibrancy during the day and evening (16)
- Atmosphere and feel of the street (10)
- Sense of community (9)
- Football precinct (9)
- Access to public transport (8)
- Heritage and architecture (5)

How important are the following streetscape improvements to you?

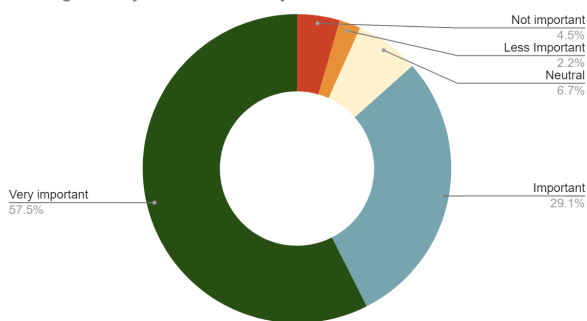
Answers are shown in the charts below in order of importance (looking at those rated 'very important' and 'important'). Many people found all of these streetscape improvements to be 'very important' and 'important', however those that had over 75% include

- More and improved public spaces (88.3%)
- More greenery and biodiversity (86.6%)
- Footpath improvements (81.7%)
- Safe and attractive access to public transport (79.5%)

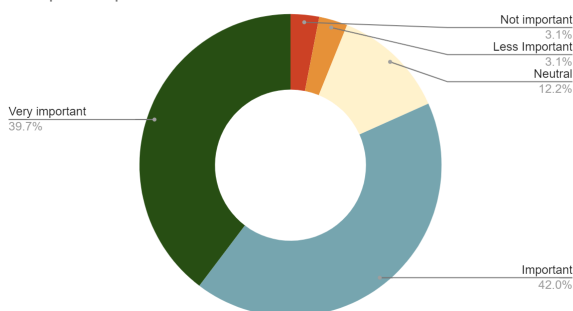
More and improved public spaces



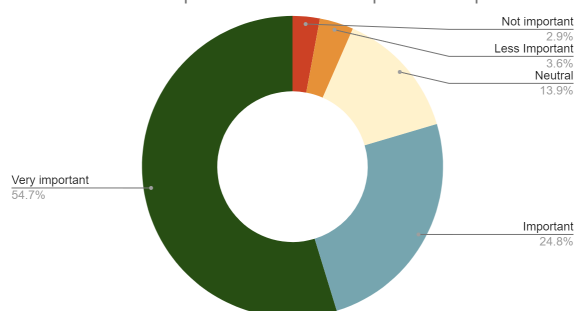
More greenery and biodiversity



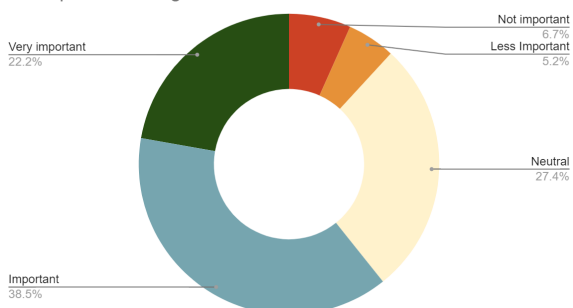
Footpath improvements



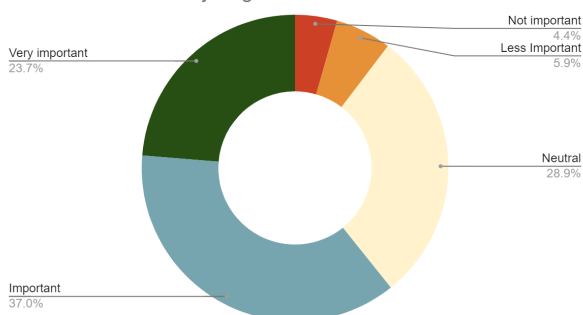
Safe and attractive pedestrian access to public transport



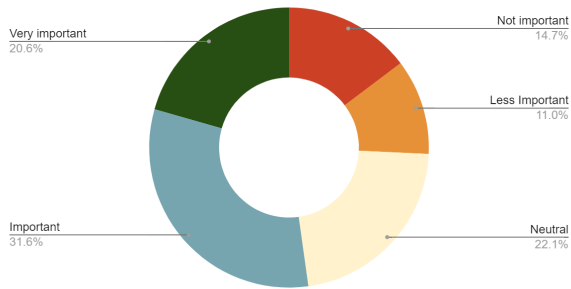
More public seating



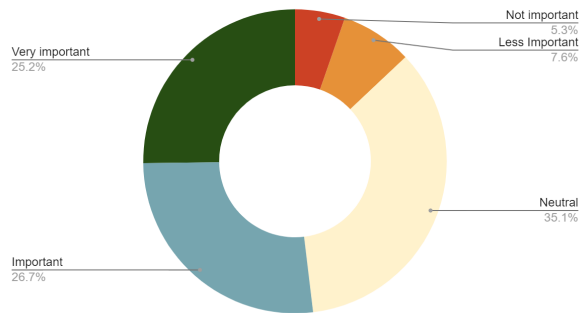
More rubbish and recycling bins



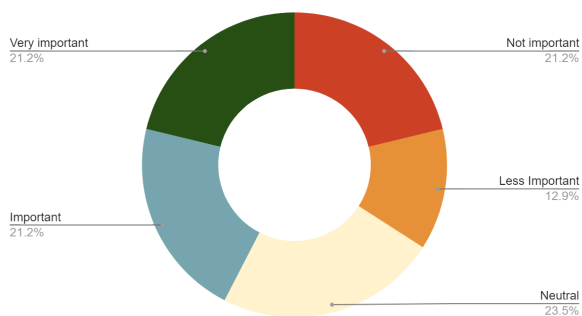
Art and sculptures along the street, in laneways and under the rail bridge



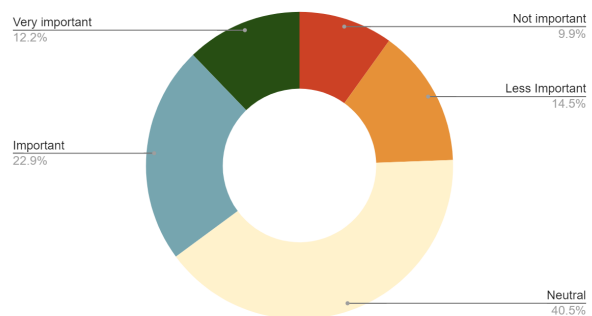
Changes to street lighting



More bike parking



More public toilets



Do you have any other ideas to improve the footpaths along Swan Street to make it more user friendly, welcoming and attractive?

People provided open feedback to this question. The more frequent comments (made by 5 people of over – number of people shown in brackets) related to the following:

- More greenery (18)
- Improve footpath access / provide even footpaths (16)
- Improve street cleaning (14)
- More trees (13)
- Make outdoor dining permanent (9)
- Better lighting (9)
- Ensure outdoor dining maintains pedestrian access (8)
- Improve tree species (6)
- More public art (6)
- Upgrade footpath materials (7)
- Improve quality of outdoor dining setups
- More rubbish bins (5)

The following were also mentioned but directly in scope of project:

- Wider footpaths (17)
- Less car parking / traffic (11)
- Changes to road space (6)
- Bike lanes (5)

Is there anything specific in the footpath space along Swan Street and surrounds that is not working and needs to be improved?

People provided open feedback to this question. The most frequent comments (made by 5 people or over) related to the following:

- More street cleaning needed (15)
- Pedestrian access – too narrow/crowded (13)
- Pedestrian access – footpath surface (11)
- Outdoor dining must maintain pedestrian access (7)
- More trees and shade (5)
- More greenery (5)
- Underpasses need improvement (5)
- More bins needed (5)

Email responses

Nine email responses received (eight from community members and one from a community group (Streets Alive)).

The emails from individuals covered issues such as (in no particular order):

- Provide more trees
- Provide more seating
- Convert some car parking to outdoor dining
- Manage cyclists, skateboarders and scooter riders off the footpath
- Provide directional signage to library
- Improve lighting
- Narrow footpaths to provide bike lane
- Improve Richmond Train Station
- Improve area under Swan Street railway bridge
- Provide permanent tables and chairs to create more consistency with outdoor dining
- Ensure outdoor dining retains pedestrian access
- Improve quality of outdoor dining furniture
- Improve footpath surface
- Provide more rubbish bins
- Provide more bicycle parking
- More work needed on Bridge Road / Victoria Street as Swan Street is working fine

The submission from Streets Alive (attached at the end of this document) provides several suggestions to improve the street, including the following:

- Building “bump outs” to reduce crossing distances at all side streets.
- Building “at grade” continuous footpaths (or raised threshold treatments) at all side streets, to encourage drivers to slow and give way to people walking.
- Upgrading all “crossover ramps” to the sharper angle of the Netherlands standard, including the ramps on either side of continuous footpaths, to encourage drivers to slow and give way to people walking.
- Improving the quality of paving on footpaths.
- Offering space on side streets to local restaurants to support outdoor dining.
- Converting the first ~ ten car parking bays on each side street to a loading zone, a disabled parking bay, a 10-bike parking bay, and then metered bays, to support traders and shoppers.
- Adding a major piece of artwork to the railway overpass, to welcome visitors.

Pop-up event activities

About 40 people participated at the two pop-up events and were invited to give feedback through a couple of activities:

- Prioritise types of improvements on a board by voting for their top five
- Provide comments on the map

Photos of these activity results are provided at the bottom of this document.

Online map

82 comments were added to the interactive map on Council's You Say Yarra webpage and pinpointed several places for improvement which cover a wide range of useful ideas and comments.

The full list of online map contributions is provided at the bottom of this document, and the interactive map is also available on Council's website <https://yoursayyarra.com.au/swanstreet>.

Next steps / how we are reporting back





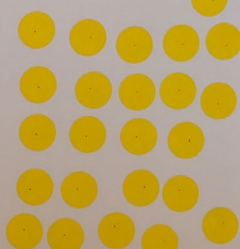




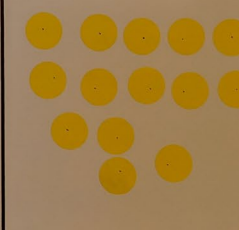

The results of this engagement have been used to develop ideas in the draft streetscape masterplan.

This report will be published on the You Say Yarra webpage and an email update sent to people who responded to give them an update and note the next steps.

It is intended to carry out the next round of consultation in October on the draft streetscape masterplan.

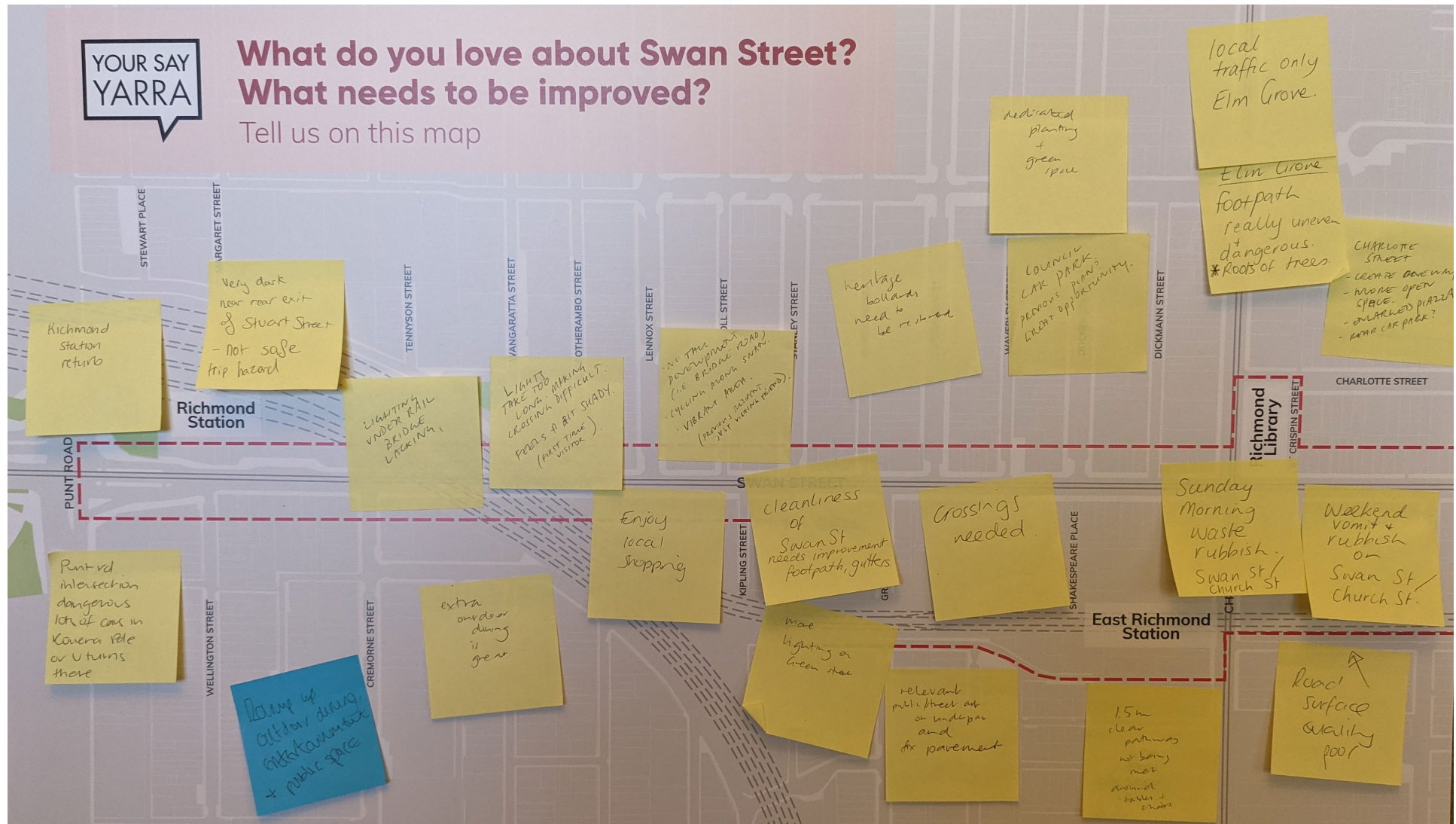
Pop up event exercises

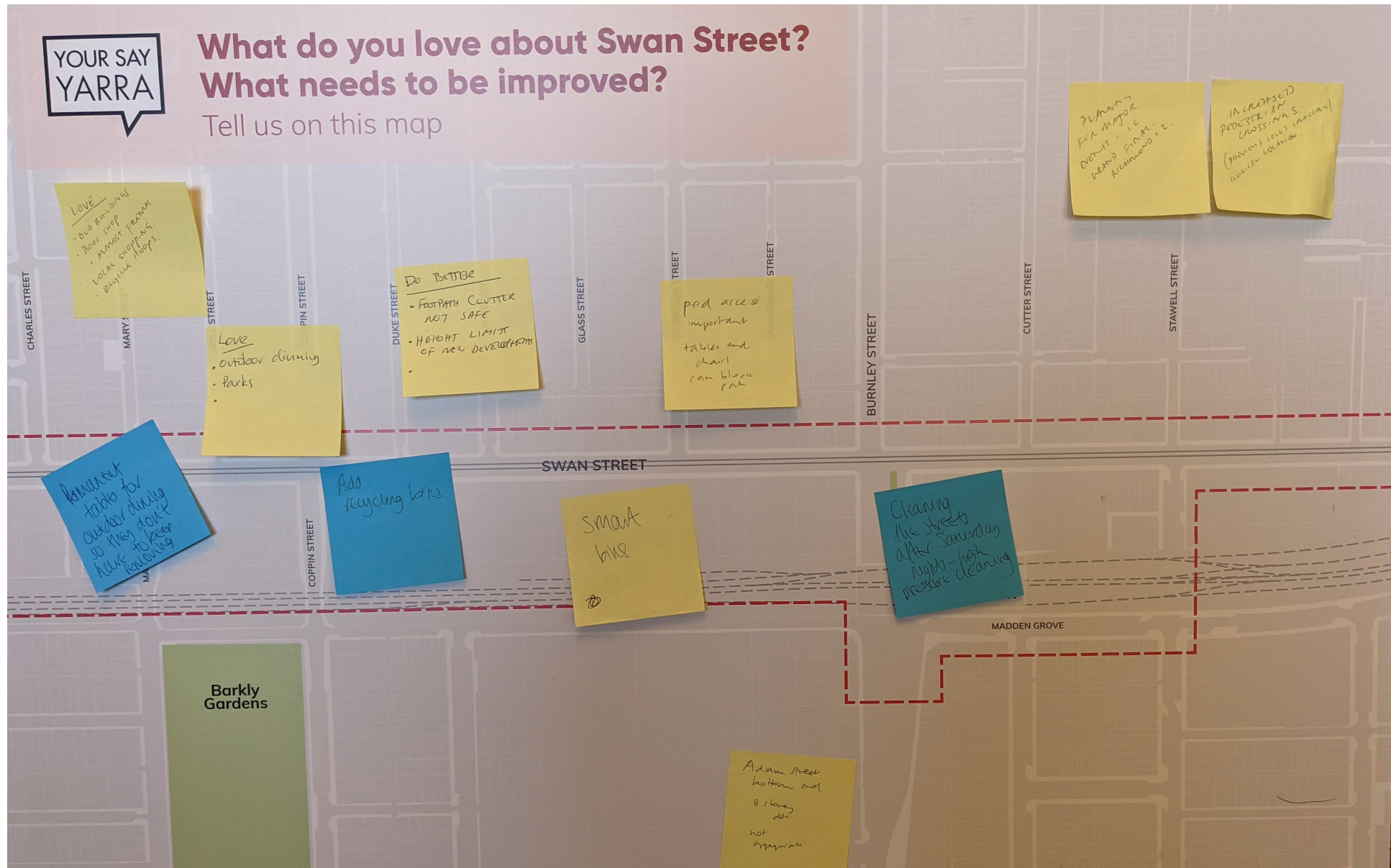
Voting exercise – what are your top priorities?

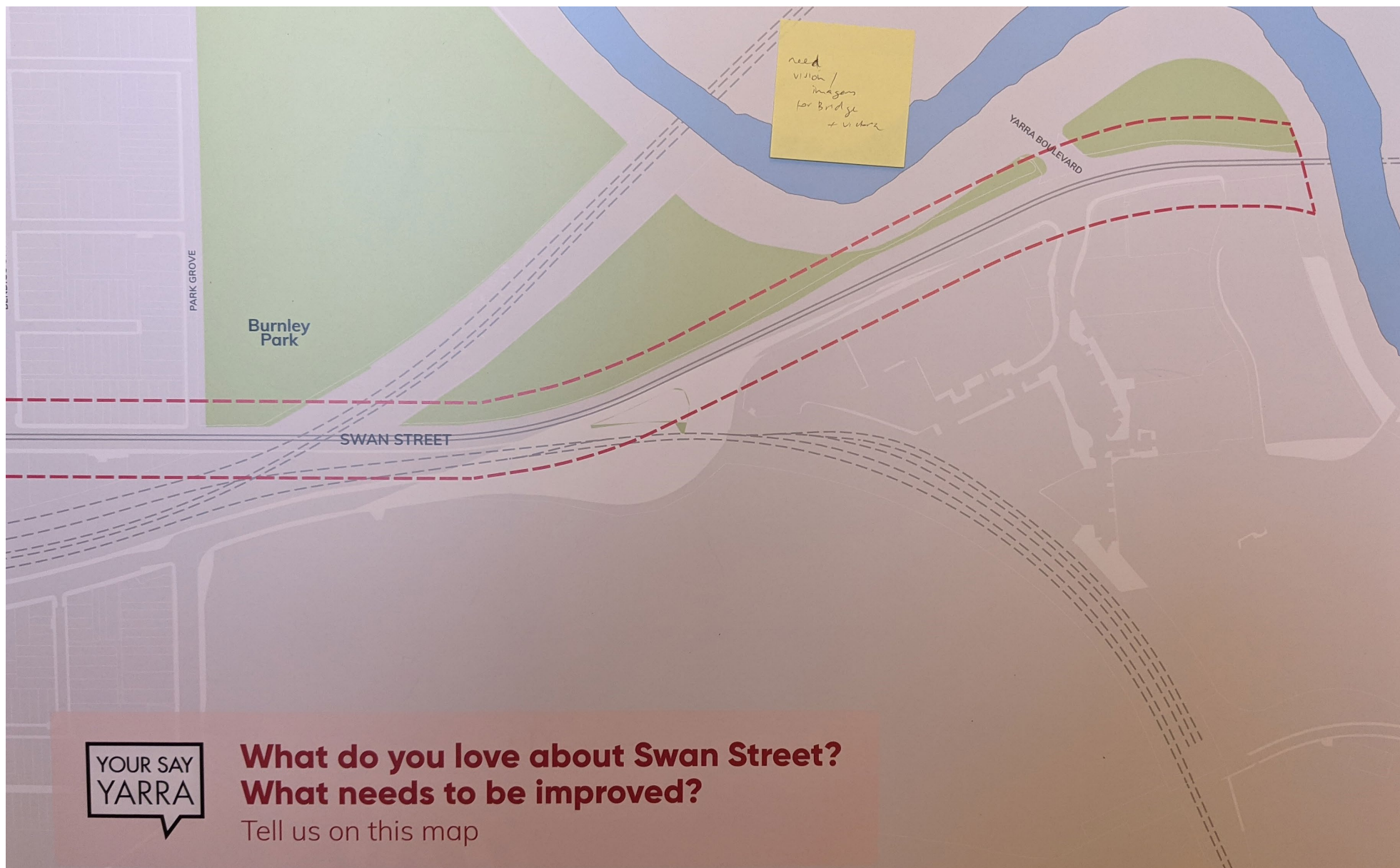
Trees and greenery (26)  	Bike parking (10)  	Places to sit (14)  	Rubbish and recycling bins (20)  	Public spaces (26)  
<div>  <p>What are your priorities for Swan Street? Tell us your top 5.</p> </div>				
Connections to public transport (14)  	Consistent footpaths (18)  	Street lighting (7)  	Public art (18)  	Public toilets (13)  

Pop up event exercises

Map comments







Online map comments

These are ordered starting from western end and heading east.

At the time of writing, the interactive map can still be viewed on Council's webpage: <https://yoursayyarra.com.au/swanstreet>.

Submission	Category	Address
This section of footpath is much better than it used to be - has been recently widened and some trees have been planted.	I love or like	6 Swan Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
Redundant crossover should be removed so footpath can be leveled.	Needs improving	Europcar Melbourne Richmond, 26 Swan Street, Melbourne, Victoria 3121, Australia
Newly widened footpath creates an opportunity fo a bit of tree planting	A new idea	27 Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Any changes to Swan Street designed to reduce through traffic will push vehicles onto Rowena Parade as happened with the recent Punt Road changes and similar changes on Bridge Road. Hence any such changes to Swan Street need to include complementary changes to Rowena Parade to stop it turning into a 'rat run'.	Needs improving	14 Rowena Parade, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Use the station entry/exit points of Richmond station to showcase Richmond through artwork, design and sculpture - make it a visually appealing and welcoming place to travel through	A new idea	27 Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
It would be great to introduce some gender diversity in the murals that are adjacent to the Richmond train stations. As a resident in the area for over 10 years, I've seen lots of wonderful murals of male rugby and AFL players. It would be great to have a mural of netballers, female AFL players.	A new idea	44 Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Some symbols to recognise and celebrate our First Nations people, and promote reconciliation and understanding	A new idea	48-58 Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
This corner gets very overcrowded with pedestrians, especially during morning peak hour (photo was about 4 pm, not at peak). It needs more space or at least a rework. For example, grade back levels so it is not such a steep drop at the corner, move traffic light pole so it is not in the middle of the footpath. Can possibly sharpen turn vehicle radius on road to make more footpath space?	Safety issue	Tram Stop 8 (70), Swan st, Melbourne, Victoria 3121, Australia
Pedestrian crossing here could be total street crossing, from both sides of the road during morning and afternoon busy periods, people often run in front of cars turning right out of Cremorne, so could be safer as well	A new idea	48-58 Swan Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
Underpass here connecting foot traffic to Cremorne Street would provide a massive benefit for workers, residents and free up a lot of traffic congestion on Swan.	A new idea	48-58 Swan Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
Footpath at corner is really steep down to road, and also slopes down to Swan Street even though there is no crossing there. Could grade footpath back along Cremorne and Swan Streets so it is not so steep, or alternatively make a raised crossing over Cremorne St.	Safety issue	60 Swan Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia

The bicycle lines along this part of Swan Street are not fit for purpose. Make dedicated bike lines with buffers between cars and bicycles. This would require removing some dedicated parking. How about making one side of the road a dedicated bike lane in both directions so that cars can still park on the other side during off-peak hours.	Needs improving	Precinct Hotel, 60 Swan St, Melbourne, Victoria 3121, Australia
Redundant traffic sign pole obstructing footpath, which is quite narrow here.	Needs improving	60 Swan Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
The rail underpass is grim and intimidating. The only point of interest is some guerilla art by a local artist. Some further colour and light would make Swan St seem more inviting	Needs improving	60 Swan Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
The street scape on Swan Street at Richmond Station is terrible, it looks old and grotty and is not a good introduction to the street. Plants or other improvements would help.	Needs improving	60 Swan Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
There is no (or minimal, not effective if there is) lighting under the train bridge between Richmond Station and Punt Rd and it feels unsafe to work through there at times (not just at night).	Safety issue	60 Swan Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
Improve stormwater drainage capacity in times of flooding, bigger pipes or other storage/harvesting opportunities	Needs improving	60 Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Improve lighting.	Safety issue	57 Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Improve lighting under the tunnel	Needs improving	57 Swan Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
Railway overpass is uninviting for pedestrians approaching Richmond from the station. It's dark and balustrade is flimsy - with limited space elsewhere, here seems like the perfect location for some kind of creative, sculptural lighting installation which extends above the footpath and underneath the ceiling of the bridge. Let's celebrate Richmond here.	A new idea	57 Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Very dangerous for cyclists under here because cars do not respect the bike line, slightly due to the new tram-only lane. Sometimes it's safer (for the cyclist) to ride on the footpath, but not good for pedestrians on the narrow walkway	Safety issue	57 Swan Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
Improve line marking for bicycle lane. Make lines continuous to support bicycle lane. Tesla autopilot does not recognise the bike lane because line markings are not continuous.	Safety issue	57 Swan Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
Love how the Posty beergarden, with it's low wall, really interacts with the street whilst not imposing on the footpath throughway area.	I love or like	90 Swan Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
Widen paving on Botherambo and include street tree, similar to Carroll and Dando Sts	A new idea	19 Botherambo Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Create a more interesting presence at both sides of Lennox St with added seating and or plantings	A new idea	337 Lennox Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Improve alignment/of traffic light on south side of Swan St (one that faces west). Currently it is at an angle due to shop canopy. Can these be integrated together to straighten up this traffic light?	Needs improving	106 Swan Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia

Allow for accessible tram stop really for low floor trams.	A new idea	Laneway Greens, 89a Swan Street, Melbourne, Victoria 3121, Australia
Footpath trading for shops such as Glasshaus helps to add colour, greenery and life to Swan St.	I love or like	89 Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Florist regularly puts pots on footpath on building boundary line against local laws and causes access problems for pedestrians.	Safety issue	89 Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Love the added colour from plants/ flowers from the flower shop on the Street.	I love or like	Avenue Bookstore, Melbourne, Victoria 3121, Australia
Recognition of artists who have called Yarra home e.g. Mirka Mora mural inside Almost French bakery and she was a local resident in her later years of life. Rename a street in her honour or add an installation to Mirka somewhere along Swan St would be fantastic!	A new idea	136r Swan Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
Improve stormwater drainage capacity of pipes crossing under rail reserve at this location which backs up during heavy rain.	Needs improving	8 Byron Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
Every weekend (day and night), people are urinating in this laneway. As a female living in this area, it feels very uncomfortable to use this lane at the weekend. Perhaps it would be good to put up a sign with info about public toilets/ have another toiletblock closeby (e.g., carpark near East Richmond Station)	Safety issue	8 Byron Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
There is a lovely Mirka Mora mural in this cafe. As a small acknowledgement her cultural contribution to Richmond, could a plaque be placed at the cafe? Another idea would be to rename a street in Richmond after her.	A new idea	8 Byron Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
There are quite large potholes on this path. They are definitely big enough for a child's foot to fit into and cause them to fall. I am size 7 in adult shoe size and fell as a result of the holes here. This underpass is tagged a couple of times a week. If the underpass was resurfaced and redecorated, it would make it a more enjoyable and safer place to walk through	Safety issue	30 Railway Crescent, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
Surface of this underpass needs resurfacing. Lots of potholes present presenting trip hazards to pedestrians/children.	Needs improving	30 Railway Crescent, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
The pedestrian underpass would ideally be widened and the ramp flattened to make it DDO compliant and easier for people with prams or bikes as well (it's supposed to be a bike route). In the mean time, the existing underpass would be a good place for some public artwork.	Needs improving	Citylink (Burnley Tunnel), Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
More accessible tram stops for all mobility levels	Needs improving	Demitri's Feast, 141 Swan St, Melbourne, Victoria 3121, Australia
Move this tram stop to outside where Coles is now (Dimmeys building) Could remove this stop which no longer makes sense since Coles moved. Could also remove Stop at Lennox St to make network more efficient.	Needs improving	194-196 Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Would be great to have another bike rack here, there is one closer to green street but you know how busy it can get some days	A new idea	Kokoro Sushi, 204 Swan St, Melbourne, Victoria 3121, Australia

Review the 2005 East Richmond Walking Strategy Report which contains deep analysis and great recommendations which are even more pressing today given the extant and growing congestion in the Swan Street and Cremorne precinct. Immediate priority to open spaces where gathering is possible that also connects Swan Street pedestrian traffic and train station. and an alternative connection to Church Street.	Needs improving	4 Railway Place, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
This car parking area is the perfect location for a much-needed bigger park for Cremorne, it even already has some trees and it is public land.	A new idea	1-11 Adolph Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
Poor sight lines here for drivers exiting Royal Place and supposed to give way to pedestrians walking along Swan St. Could be painted to make footpath section more obvious and continuous, and/or raised section added to ensure drivers give way.	Safety issue	2 Royal Place, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
Please install some EV chargers in this car park for public use to support vehicle choices and the environment.	A new idea	4 Railway Place, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
Improvement to car park required to accomodate many oversize trucks for Coles delivery business that spill out of existing parking space.	Needs improving	East Richmond Station, Railway Pl, Melbourne, Victoria 3121, Australia
There are only steps down to the station from the parking lot - difficult for accessibility and for cyclists (even just rolling the bike)	A new idea	4 Railway Place, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
We have seen two plans from council to turn this car park into a decent size green space over the last two decades, non which have eventuated. Instead of being a commandeered car park for Coles trucks on public land, let's have another go at making this a reality for residents and businesses.	A new idea	4 Railway Place, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
Street lights as station access is dark	Needs improving	472 Church Street, Cremorne Victoria 3121, Australia
The small walkway through to Church St next to the railway often filled with broken glass, and the fence to the railway below looks unsafe.	Safety issue	441-443 Church Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
New cargo/trailer bike parking - this will make it easier to get kids and toddlers to the library and a whole lot of books home again.	I love or like	5 Charlotte Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Love the library	I love or like	415-417 Church Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Some EV chargers would be fantastic in the Library car park to support sustainable vehicle choices and environmental improvement.	A new idea	St Crispin Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
An EV charger here would be great. The library in Glen Eira has a great example: https://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/about-council/news/latest-news/council-adds-electric-vehicles-to-its-fleet	A new idea	St Crispin Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Reduce speed limit here to 40 to accomodate greater Cafe and restaurant businesses etc.	Safety issue	209a Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Introduce a street crossing. Have seen kids and parents jay walking to get to school that is very unsafe.	Safety issue	231 Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia

Too much dog poo	Needs improving	274-280 Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Speed limit should be reduced in this area as well and introduce speed cameras. So many cars speed up to make the traffic light and can result in a fatality very soon.	Safety issue	263-265 Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Possible location for some EV chargers near Barkly Gardens or on southern end near Citipower infrastructure to provide some sustainable benefit from having this electricity infrastructure in this area. Good to give something back to encourage more sustainable vehicle choices.	A new idea	PHD Media, 263 Mary Street, Melbourne, Victoria 3121, Australia
Trams should reduce speed. Street can get very noisy thanks to trams thundering past willy- nilly	Needs improving	324-328 Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
The area between Coppin and Park Grove would feel much safer at night with improved street lighting. Walking home (heading East) along Swan at night is fine until you get to there and then because of the types of shops, buildings (closed after hours) it feels darker and unsafe.	Safety issue	232 Coppin Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Street lights need improving from burnley station as it can get very dark in this section	Needs improving	337 Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
A lot of heavy trucks seem to race over this bridge and onto Burnley Street, as they need speed to climb the bridge or gain speed after crossing it. They also create a lot of noise for residents of Burnley Street. Could they be diverted eastward along Swan Street instead?	Needs improving	418 Burnley Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
It would be great to have a nice above the ground walkway to get to the train station and to the other side of the tracks. There is a lovely park and restaurants but to get there you must walk or bike thru the underground walkway of the train station and this is dirty and feels unsafe at night.	Safety issue	385 Burnley Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
This area is wide enough to allow cyclists to travel both ways, and cyclists do it anyway (but more dangerously). Just makes sense!	A new idea	12 Madden Grove, Burnley Victoria 3121, Australia
As others have noted, the tunnels under the railway stations look drab, constantly require repainting from graffiti. The scheduled cleaning and graffiti removal don't address some of the other issues - the place is covered in cobwebs, seeping brown liquid from the tracks above, and weeds protruding over from the track area above. Given the general pleasant nature of the surrounding neighbourhood and the importance of the station as a hub, this gives an (undeserved) bad impression for anyone moving through this area via public transport	Needs improving	Burnley Station, Burnley St, Melbourne, Victoria 3121, Australia
Would be lovely to plant hedges next to the fence for the appearance of privacy. This little space has a lot of potential, but is so exposed right next to the noisy section of burnley street.	A new idea	395 Burnley Street, Burnley Victoria 3121, Australia
Look to entice new licenced food/beverage premises to move to this area of Swan street - there are a number of vacant premises, new developments going up, and new ones due to come - so this area would be ideal for people coming/going from the station and for those that live this end of Swan street	A new idea	385 Burnley Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia

This park tends to attract rubbish from park users - a bin in this reserve would help discourage littering.	Needs improving	395 Burnley Street, Burnley Victoria 3121, Australia
Create a secure Bike Park/locker at Burnley station so people have a safe and secure location for their bicycles when getting the train	A new idea	Eco Outdoor, 422 Burnley St, Melbourne, Victoria 3121, Australia
The buildings here overlooking Burnley train station have looked downtrodden and overrun with graffiti for many years. Can something be done with developing the area?	Needs improving	Eco Outdoor, 422 Burnley St, Melbourne, Victoria 3121, Australia
This walkway and surrounding area joining up to Burnley Station should be improved with more lighting, signage, painting/fencing etc to make it more appealing and 'welcoming' to the area. Feels very industrial in this corner and the underpass beneath the railway is quite tired looking.	Needs improving	134-136 Stawell Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
This grassed nature strip could be a really nice public open space in a high traffic area - there aren't many along Swan St. For example, perhaps some Indigenous planter boxes and maybe some benches / seats around them for people to sit on and grab a coffee while their kids are at netball.	A new idea	130-132 Stawell Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
This is a nice spot, with grasses, good use of seating by the adjacent cafe, a netball court, and a tram stop with lights and rubbish bins.	I love or like	130-132 Stawell Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
The bench at tram stop 16 would be better moved to the east by 3-4 metres. This gives people a safe place to stand to hail a tram. Keep the bench but move it to make room. The issue is a lot of poles that make it hard for tram driver to see person hailing it without them having to stand on the road	Safety issue	550 Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Put the rubbish bin back that council took away a number of years ago. The bin in the park doesn't cover this rubbish. Sick of litter on north side of this location between Bendigo Street and Park Grove	Needs improving	560 Swan Street, Richmond Victoria 3121, Australia
Reduce speed to 40 km per hour between Burnley st and Park Grove to stop people flying over bridge at speed. At Christmas time - put up decorations at entry points into Yarra - proper decorations. At this location and Bridge Road at the same location. Borrow decorations from wealthy councils.	A new idea	545 Swan Street, Burnley Victoria 3121, Australia
The sidewalk and bike path to go to the office buildings at the end of swan st (Botannica) are not good. There isn't any bike lane. And the sidewalk is narrow and it feels like you are walking next to a very busy road. Some walking paths similar to what has been done along the yarra in South Yarra next to Alexandre Parade would be great.	Needs improving	102 Madden Grove, Burnley Victoria 3121, Australia
Improve the footpaths to/from the new Business Park along this stretch of Swan Street to make it both a safer and a more pleasurable walk between Burnley Station and the Business Park.	Needs improving	Swan Street, Burnley Victoria 3121, Australia
Fence area to allow enclosed dog park.	A new idea	Swan Street, Burnley Victoria 3121, Australia

<p>This open space seems somewhat under-utilised. Maybe look to bridge the railway and link to Burnley Park; it's not as easily accessible. Add gated fencing along roadside for safety from road, secure fencing for safety from railway. Maybe add facilities like benches, tables, BBQ's or play area for kids and/or dogs.</p> <p>With the road entry/parking this could be a destination park that people can travel to.</p>	A new idea	Swan Street, Burnley Victoria 3121, Australia
<p>Remove Stop 17 Madden Grove, or merge it with Stop 18; to create a well-located tram stop that services this stretch of Swan Street.</p>	A new idea	570 Swan Street, Burnley Victoria 3121, Australia
<p>Plant more trees and fix up footpaths it is not pleasant walking swan street down the hawthorn end ..too much traffic</p> <p>beautify the burnley park where the circus uses more shrub fencing</p> <p>The red gums are a fantastic feature</p>	Needs improving	Citylink, Hawthorn Victoria 3122, Australia