

Mulgoa RFS Community Consultation Feedback

	Summary of feedback - Choices		
	1st	2nd	3rd
Current RFS site	34	0	0
Mulgoa Park (northern side)	77	7	0
Current Mulgoa Hall	4	2	2
Gow Park	3	0	0
TOTAL	118	9	2

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1	Current RFS site	Mulgoa Park (northern side)		Definitely NOT existing hall. We do not want to loose our community hall. I believe it is underutilised which was identified by Council's last meeting, but Glenmore Park has been approved to move to Mulgoa boundaries, which will have more people utilise current facilities. the park is our green space, a community meeting place.
2	Current RFS site			Taking the community hall is very poor. Council are to support our community, not remove facilities. I will mobilise with Mulgoa to protest against the hall closure if this is pushed as the preferred. The park is used by many, PCC are growing Glenmore Park towards Mulgoa, facilities will need to increase, not decrease (this includes parks & halls)
3	Current RFS site			
4	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			
5	Current RFS site			Infrastructure already exists. Services exist. Once hall is taken - will not get back. <u>Safer</u> for children etc to play without having <u>excess traffic</u> through park. Park area for residents and travellers to use. Option of hall do not want - no to hall being used. Option of Mulgoa Road into park - not wanted.
6	Current RFS site			
7	Gow Park			Straight Rd Mulgoa to stay where it is, there would need to be temporary shed. But being the shed would demolish. Gow Park would be better spot for training. Less impact on Village

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8	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			We would like to keep the community hall. Park would have great access for vehicles.
9	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			Don't want to take away the existing hall from the community. Don't want upgrade existing station as it will close the road that we use. I'm with the park going ahead. It would be great with the new station next to it.
10	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			Prefer not option of pull down existing and possible road closing
11	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			
12	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			
13	Current RFS site	Mulgoa Park (northern side)	Current Mulgoa Hall	
14	Current RFS site	Mulgoa Park (northern side)		We do not want the hall!! The community very much enjoys the option of different things at the park such as the <u>community hall</u> , tennis courts, play equipment and all of the green land and I think it would be stupid if they ripped up the grass and replaced it with concrete and noisy trucks.
15	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			
16	Current RFS site	Mulgoa Park (northern side)		Not the hall
17	Current RFS site			Lower costs to set up services - water sewerage etc. Safer entry and exit of trucks. Existing site is preferable. Losing community hall <u>is not</u> an option. Park site is not appropriate due to biodiversity issues - sewerage costs not covered by initial grant - cost will blow out - traffic management issue - black spot
18	Current RFS site	Mulgoa Park (northern side)		Preserving the community hall is the best option
19	Gow Park			Gow Park - For many reason and it doesn't impact the village.
20	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			
21	Current RFS site			Construction in Mulgoa Park will cause water contamination from washing of trucks i.e. Diesel etc flowing through our paddock to the catchment drain.
22	Current RFS site			Entrance off Mulgoa Rd, drive through onto Straight Rd

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23	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			Just build the bloody thing before someone gets hurt.
24	Current RFS site			Enter from Mulgoa Rd and exit into The Straight Rd
25	Current RFS site			I think it would be better where it is now. In a 60kpm, would not be as expensive - other positions sewerage - water expense. Most people are happy where it is now. Concerns regarding children's park being to close. Black spot on roads, near St Thomas Road.
26	Current RFS site			
27	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			
28	Current RFS site			Not to lose community hall. Prefer existing site. Ensure that building doesn't impinge on heritage landscape and is well screened and landscaped.
29	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			
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31	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			Would be great to combine kids area with play equipment in reference to fire station. Water play equipment.

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32	Gow Park			<p>Provides ALL of the said RFS needs. We have been told at Mulgoa Progress meetings Gow Park was the 1st sought site by Council. It is said by a small few that Council have said that Gow Park has flood issues and it is a highly sensitive ecological site (Mulgoa Creek). These Gow Park issues have been <u>NO</u> issue whatsoever by Council or the Mulgoa Progress Association in relation to "Lot 31 Nepean Gorge Drive, Mulgoa". I and other neighbours had rang, emailed and written to Council about "soil fill" being brought into that site. <u>No response</u> whatsoever from Council. No DA approval when that fill was being imported.</p> <p>I wrote to Council later, (GIPA) request for Validation reports for that said fill, <u>No</u> validation reports could be supplied by Council. Lot 31 as Council knows, has overland flood path issues along the long narrow access (flood issues), it is <u>highly sensitive ecology</u> nearby these flood path areas (flood path passes along, through and over that fill material and a short distance then passes into Biobanked Land of Lot 31).</p> <p>Lot 31 - Nepean Gorge Drive importation of fill before or without correct DA approval and Gow Park seeming to have contradicting planning decisions/actions and lack of actions. Please explain.</p>
33	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			
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35	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			<p>Closing the access to The Straight Road would create traffic hazard for parents dropping children off to school and again picking them up.</p> <p>Warning lights on Mulgoa Road to indicate fire vehicles about to leave the station.</p>
36	Current RFS site			
37	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			
38	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			
39	Current RFS site			<p>We are the current neighbours and we have never experienced any negative issues with the current situation and we would love for it to stay where it is if possible. We would have concerns on what would happen to the land if they were to move.</p>

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40	Current RFS site			<p>Advantages - drive through garages onto The Straight and Mulgoa Road. Traffic - lower speeds - access to Fairlight (existing sewer connection and water hydrant). Community aware of location of site. Option - Mulgoa Hall. NO community should lose access to the building as no other option available for community meetings and social events. NO OPTION - off Mulgoa Road. Concerns connection to sewer required. Increased rate of erosion onsite. Large drainage depression. Stormwater runoff off concrete, building and overflow from rain tanks. Cleaning of vehicles, oil/dirt. Impact on the natural environment and residential properties within 150m of site. Run-off to be contained within property problematic with drainage depression. Neighbours - Child Care Centre and neighbours including horse. Firefighter chemicals? Bush Fire Zone?</p>
41	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			
42	Current RFS site			Leave our community hall alone! The existing site suits all parties
43	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			
44	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			Not in hall
45	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			Littlefields Road is a busy "dangerous road" - not a viable option. Do not take away Mulgoa Hall. DO NOT think that the opinion of a few members of a (NON) Progress Association be the opinion of all of us - they have never asked our opinion & don't know us. Thank you
46	Current RFS site			Amenities already exist at current RFS site. The hall has been really useful for parties we have attended. The park is already set up really well for residents in the area.
47	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			
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49	Current RFS site			We are current neighbours to the existing RFS station. In the years we have lived next door to the RFS we have never had any issues or concerns with the location of this facility. We would like to remain neighbours with the RFS. Our kids love the fire brigade living next door. Moving the station will change the dynamic of the property we purchased. We bought our house wanting to be next door to the RFS. Thank you
50	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			
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53	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			One opinion doesn't account for all
54	Current RFS site			Amenities already exist at current RFS site. I do not want RFS to use the hall. We have attended many parties at the hall which has been useful and safe. I don't agree it should be at the front of Mulgoa Park. <u>Just leave the park alone.</u>
55	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			Not in hall space
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58	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			
59	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			The RFS likes Mulgoa Park option. They should have final say. They work in it. Thanks
60	Mulgoa Park (northern side)	Current Mulgoa Hall		We strongly oppose the expansion of the existing site, especially with a driveway accessed from both Mulgoa and The Straight Roads. The fire trucks driving down a residential street is potentially hazardous to residents not to mention noisy.
61	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			
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63	Current RFS site	Mulgoa Park (northern side)		Not suitable for Littlefields Road
64	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			Not hall
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66	Current RFS site	Mulgoa Park (northern side)	Current Mulgoa Hall	
67	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			This would be visible to public which is needed to enforce what is going on
68	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			Enlarge children play area as community needs it
69	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			I don't want to be without a fire station for a whole year! I think its bad as bush fires can escalate quickly.
70	Current Mulgoa Hall			Prefer hall as an option as it will improve with design and landscaping. Suggest adding a story to existing building which could provide the office for RST. Elite sand and soil space on Mulgoa Road.
71	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			Dangerous intersection Mulgoa and Allen Rd. Cars turning into shops of the shop driveway
72	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			Closing The Straight Rd would hinder the residents access to their homes
73	Current RFS site	Current Mulgoa Hall		Placing the station at the entrance to Mulgoa on the lower section of the park would spoil the entrance to the village and would look visually unattractive.
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76	Current Mulgoa Hall			<p>Extract from email: My preference however is for the RFS shed to be located at the site of the Community Hall. But residents of Mulgoa don't want to lose their hall, with no guarantee of a replacement hall in the immediate future!If the hall in its current form cannot be shared by RFS and the community (with RFS taking precedence in any emergency), then I agree with Dr James Broadbent that a second storey could be added to the existing hall for RFS use. This would be no different to sharing of the Regentville Hall by RFS with Nepean Food Service Inc - Meals on Wheels (NFS). This would be the most economical solution. Mulgoa would not lose its meeting hall or part of its park (only a small part of the existing car park is lost for the fire truck garages) and road safety is not compromised. The amenity of residents along Littlefields Road would not be visually altered because it retains the existing building footprint, but with the improvements Rosemarie has envisioned and associated new landscaping, its architectural and street appearances are improved.</p>

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77	Current Mulgoa Hall	Current Mulgoa RFS		<p>Here are my comments on the design and possible locations of the proposed new Rural Fire Shed at Mulgoa:</p> <p>Firstly I commend the Council on the considerable improvements it has made to the design of the proposed building. Although further amendments should, and I believe are intended to be made, the building now has an appearance more sympathetic to its surroundings whichever site is decided upon.</p> <p>Much improvement has been made to the materials, texture and colour of the building. More improvement I think could result from a greater pitch to the roof – possibly hipped – and eaves that would cast some shadow to break up expanses of blank wall.</p> <p>Site 1: Northern Side of Mulgoa Park</p> <p>This, I believe, is the least satisfactory site for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It excises a considerable area of the park • It blocks the view from Mulgoa Road of the most attractive area of the park • It would be more expensive to construct owing to the ground slope and lack of existing services • It is too close to the dangerous junction of St Thomas and Mulgoa Roads • It would require considerable landscaping to screen it satisfactorily within the park. <p>Site 2: Site of Community Hall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The principal objection to this site is that Mulgoa Village loses its community hall without any assurance of a replacement. • If, however, the hall could be retained for community use, this site has many advantages. • No reasons, other than bureaucratic obstinance, are apparent to preclude the shared use of the hall by the Fire Service and the community – the Service, of course, taking precedence in any emergency. • If such civic co-operation and good will is impossible within the bureaucracies involved, would it not be feasible to construct the fire services hall above the existing hall? This could be the most economical solution; the community would not lose its meeting place nor would the park be encroached upon, as it is in Site 1. (Only part of the existing car park is lost for the fire truck garages).

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This site, although within the park, does not intrude further on the park, nor does it substantially alter the amenity of the residences opposite, for it retains the existing build and, rather, improves it architecturally. • This, with the hall shared or duplicated, is the optimum site. <p>Site 3: Rebuilding of existing shed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With the improved design of the building – and further improvements envisioned – objection to this prominent site within the Village, is lessened. • If the Village MUST lose its hall with the development of site 2, then this site is to be preferred. <p>In conclusion, if only a way of co-operation could be found to share or duplicate the hall on Site 2, it would be the best site. It would possibly be the most economical solution (with existing services, parking area, road frontage, driveway etc) and would retain the community's amenity. It would also improve the Village visually by the remodelling of one ugly building (the existing hall) and the removal of another (the existing fire shed).</p> <p>The impact on houses on Littlefields Road would be minimal. Rather, with the improved design of the reconstructed hall and associated new landscaping, its street appearance would be improved. If, irrespective of any shared or duplicated hall, Site 2 is chosen, or Site 1, the community should be consulted and informed about the future use of the existing fire shed site.</p>
78	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			The local RFS needs a site decision & an expedited build process. The importance of this has the potential to impact persons and property safety.
79	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			
80	Current RFS site			
81	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			The northern side would be most practical for the Brigade. It's out of the way From houses and will make everyone happy

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82	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			The obvious best site for a new station is the Mulgoa Park (Northern side) This gives the Brigade members the room to park there vehicles, As none of the current plans show enough spaces provided for the number of brigade members. Not affect the amenity of the current neighbors as call outs are 24/7. Gives the brigade room to "Spread there wings" for area's to train etc. My main objection to the Mulgoa Hall option is that it is a community Hall to be used & provided for, for the use of the community.. There doesnt seem to be a proposal for a future community facility to be built. Council has already offloaded a community hall to the RFS at Regentville. The current site is to small & has had it's day. Local residents are directly affected from every firecall & training session by the brigade. Most importantly, from advice that I have received..... The Mulgoa brigade themselves prefer the Mulgoa Park (North side) option. But they themselves have not been asked of there preference.
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89	Current RFS site			Are you intending to take away the community hall entirely if this is one of your options?
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96	Current Mulgoa Hall			I believe that there remains opportunity for final comments on the location of the RFS shed. I have seen the submission prepared by local historian and landscape architect, James Broadbent and would like to add my support for his comments and sentiments in his submission. His suggestion of sharing the Community Hall is a good one. The RFS as I understand meet one evening a week and on Saturdays. The Hall would be wasted for the remainder of the week. The Mulgoa RFS are entirely comprised of volunteers – there is no requirement for full time office space. A compromise should easily be found whereby Mulgoa RFS and the rest of the community of Mulgoa can co-habit that space. I support the submission prepared by James Broadbent.
97	Current RFS site			Rfs expansion- really? Rural Fire service should be just that. As rural Areas decline so should the rfs in the area. We should be expanding FRNSW rather than pumping money into a volunteer organisation that may or May not respond if needed.
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111	Mulgoa Park (northern side)			I believe Mulgoa Park is the best option for the community as it provides efficient access for the members, but won't disturb neighbouring properties.
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