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Dear General Manager

As you will be aware the Civic Trust made an immediate, preliminary submission in response to this exciting proposal to upgrade the facilities in Fearnley Park. As foreshadowed in that submission the Civic Trust thanks Council for this project and the improved amenities which it will bring. The general concept and theme of the new work is highly commended.

We make the following comments to further enhance this project:

- While entry to the park has been greatly improved over the last few years from Hannah Street, the entry from Chapman Avenue remains problematic and it is not clear from the diagram that the new path as shown on the plan will extend to the Chapman Avenue entrance. If not currently proposed then this work should be included.
- While the plan does allow for a 3 seat swing set a number of parents and grandparents have stated that a slide remains popular and so should also be incorporated along with the swing and rope climbing feature.
- A number of grandparents bring their children to this play area and so consideration might be given to increasing the amount of seating as distinct to the sandstone blocks – as more suitable to older people.
- It is appreciated that a reconstruction of the Gladys Moncrieffe seat it outside of the area for this work and possibly beyond the brief, if it was possible to reflect this former park item together with a reference to the now demolished Fearnley family house then that would maintain connections specific to this place.

Thank you once again

Roderick Best

President