

# Anna Bay and surrounds Liveability Index 2020



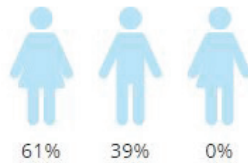
In September 2020 we teamed up with Place Score to complete our first ever place census. Over 3,700 people told us what they value and how they rate their neighbourhood.

The results allows us to focus on the things most valuable to our community. It helps us plan and make decisions that will have the biggest impact on your wellbeing.

## 240

responses from Anna Bay and surrounds

Gender



Age

■ U25  
■ 25-44  
■ 45-64  
■ 65+



**Liveability is simply what a place is like to live in — a liveable place is a healthy place.**

Liveability is influenced by safety, the natural environment, infrastructure, accessibility, things to do, attractiveness and inclusivity.

Anna Bay+



Port Stephens



National Average



## OUR TOP 5 ANNA BAY AND SURROUNDS VALUES

**These are the things most important to Anna Bay+ residents in their ideal neighbourhood:**



Elements of natural environment (natural features, views, vegetation, topography, water, wildlife) — 74%



General condition of public open space (street trees, footpaths, parks) — 64%



Protection of the natural environment — 61%



Sense of neighbourhood safety (from crime, traffic, pollution) — 60%



Walking/jogging/bike paths that connect housing to communal amenity (shops, parks) — 60%

In Anna Bay and surrounding suburbs your ideal neighbourhood has:

- a natural environment that is protected and a built environment that reflects sustainability best practice;
- easy to access shared community amenities, like the local shops, on foot or bike
- well maintained and managed public domain; footpaths, parks, roads and other public assets

## OUR STRENGTHS

**These are the things you care about most and say are performing well. We must continue to celebrate and protect these.**



Elements of natural environment (natural features, views, vegetation, topography, water, wildlife)



Sense of personal safety (for all ages, genders, day or night)



Locally owned and operated businesses

## OUR LIVEABILITY PRIORITIES

**These are the things most important to you and are underperforming. We must work to improve these.**



Walking/jogging/bike paths that connect housing to communal amenity (shops, parks)



Access and safety of walking, cycling and/or public transport (signage, paths, lighting)



Quality of public space (footpaths, verges, parks)



General condition of public open space (street trees, footpaths, parks)



Protection of the natural environment



Spaces suitable for specific activities or special interests (entertainment, exercise, dog park, BBQs)



Sense of neighbourhood safety (from crime, traffic, pollution)



Sustainable urban design (water sensitive design, transport-oriented design, sustainable building design, density)



Things to do in the evening (bars, dining, cinema, live music)



Evidence of Council/government management (signage, street cleaners)



Landscaping and natural elements (street trees, planting, water features)



Amount of public space (footpaths, verges, parks)



Sustainable behaviours in the community (water management, solar panels, recycling)



Evidence of recent public investment (roads, parks, schools)



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