

Soldiers Point Liveability Index 2020



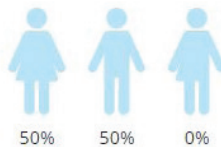
In September 2020 we teamed up with Place Score to complete our first ever place census. Over 3,700 people told us what they value and how they rate their neighbourhood.

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.

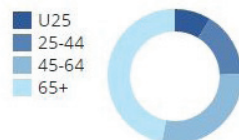
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responses from
Soldiers Point

Gender



Age



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.

Soldiers Point



Port Stephens



National Average



OUR TOP 5 SOLDIERS POINT VALUES

These are the things most important to Soldiers Point residents in their ideal neighbourhood:



Elements of natural environment (natural features, views, vegetation, topography, water, wildlife) — 77%



General condition of public open space (street trees, footpaths, parks) — 69%



Local businesses that provide for daily needs (grocery stores, pharmacy, banks) — 58%



Protection of the natural environment — 58%







Sense of neighbourhood safety (from crime, traffic, pollution) — 55%

In Soldiers Point your ideal neighbourhood has:

- well maintained and managed public domain; footpaths, parks, roads and other public assets
- locally owned and operated businesses that provide the community with their daily needs
- a natural environment that is protected and a built environment that reflects sustainability best practice









OUR STRENGTHS

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

-  Sense of neighbourhood safety (from crime, traffic, pollution)
-  Elements of natural environment (natural features, views, vegetation, topography, water, wildlife)
-  Spaces suitable for specific activities or special interests (entertainment, exercise, dog park, BBQs)
-  Local businesses that provide for daily needs (grocery stores, pharmacy, banks)

OUR LIVEABILITY PRIORITIES

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

-  Protection of the natural environment
-  Access and safety of walking, cycling and/or public transport (signage, paths, lighting)
-  Sustainable urban design (water sensitive design, transport-oriented design, sustainable building design, density)
-  Quality of public space (footpaths, verges, parks)
-  Walking/jogging/bike paths that connect housing to communal amenity (shops, parks)
-  General condition of public open space (street trees, footpaths, parks)
-  Locally owned and operated businesses
-  Evidence of recent public investment (roads, parks, schools)
-  Evidence of Council/government management (signage, street cleaners)
-  Sustainable behaviours in the community (water management, solar panels, recycling)
-  Things to do in the evening (bars, dining, cinema, live music)
-  Local employment opportunities (within easy commute)
-  Cultural and/or artistic community
-  Amount of public space (footpaths, verges, parks)
-  Spaces suitable for play (from toddlers to teens)



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