



Item 7.3 Petition requesting sunshades for Port Melbourne playgrounds

A Petition containing 159 signatures, was received from local residents.

The Petition states the following: -

Our community is asking Port Phillip Council to audit and address the lack of shade at some playgrounds and parks around Port Melbourne, especially the "tram park" - the playground across from the skate park under the Graham Street Bridge.

The lack of shade at this park is a health and safety issue and makes this wonderful playground unusable for most of the hot, sunny summer months. The metal equipment gets hot enough to burn the kids playing on it. In addition, with the UV levels in Australia, playing at this playground for any length of time without shade poses an unnecessary skin safety risk.

We are petitioning for the council to add sunshades to the "tram park" and to also do a call-out to residents of Port Melbourne to audit what other playgrounds our community feels are lacking in shade during the summer months.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the petition and that officers provide a response at the next available Council Meeting.

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ATTACHMENTS Nil