| Are you completing this survey on behalf of yourself or an organisation? | | | |
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| Myself | | 95.5% | 84 |
| Organisation | | 4.5% | 4 |
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| | answere | ed question | 88 |
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| 4 | 1 | Aug 30, 2009 10:14 AM |

| What suburb do you live in? | | |
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| 1 | Spence | Aug 11, 2009 11:59 PM | | |
| 2 | forrest | Aug 12, 2009 12:00 AM | | |
| 3 | forrest | Aug 12, 2009 12:03 AM | | |
| 4 | Dickson | Aug 12, 2009 12:23 AM | | |
| 5 | Dickson | Aug 12, 2009 2:51 AM | | |
| 6 | Watson | Aug 12, 2009 3:52 AM | | |
| 7 | - | Aug 12, 2009 3:56 AM | | |
| 8 | Dickson | Aug 12, 2009 4:01 AM | | |
| 9 | Carlingford | Aug 12, 2009 4:02 AM | | |
| 10 | City | Aug 12, 2009 5:52 AM | | |
| 11 | Ainslie | Aug 12, 2009 7:44 AM | | |
| 12 | Dickson | Aug 12, 2009 9:00 AM | | |
| 13 | Campbell | Aug 12, 2009 9:05 AM | | |
| 14 | Dickson | Aug 12, 2009 9:17 AM | | |
| 15 | watson | Aug 12, 2009 12:17 PM | | |
| 16 | Downer | Aug 12, 2009 12:19 PM | | |
| 17 | Downer | Aug 12, 2009 11:06 PM | | |
| 18 | Hackett | Aug 13, 2009 2:21 AM | | |
| 19 | Downer | Aug 13, 2009 5:54 AM | | |
| 20 | O'Connor | Aug 13, 2009 11:23 AM | | |
| 21 | Downer | Aug 14, 2009 12:35 AM | | |
| 22 | Downer | Aug 14, 2009 7:22 AM | | |
| 23 | Downer | Aug 16, 2009 7:41 AM | | |
| 24 | Dickson | Aug 16, 2009 11:49 AM | | |
| 25 | dickson | Aug 16, 2009 11:13 PM | | |
| 26 | Downer | Aug 17, 2009 1:07 AM | | |
| 27 | Cook | Aug 17, 2009 1:45 AM | | |
| 28 | Flynn | Aug 17, 2009 3:17 AM | | |
| 29 | Hackett | Aug 17, 2009 5:14 AM | | |
| 30 | hackett | Aug 17, 2009 9:24 PM | | |
| 31 | Dickson | Aug 18, 2009 1:48 AM | | |
| 32 | dickson | Aug 18, 2009 4:49 AM | | |

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| 33 | Watson | Aug 18, 2009 5:57 AM | | |
| 34 | Downer | Aug 18, 2009 5:58 AM | | |
| 35 | Dickson | Aug 18, 2009 6:41 AM | | |
| 36 | Watson | Aug 18, 2009 9:30 AM | | |
| 37 | Hackett | Aug 18, 2009 10:25 AM | | |
| 38 | Dickson | Aug 18, 2009 12:03 PM | | |
| 39 | Fyshwick | Aug 19, 2009 1:47 AM | | |
| 40 | Ainslie | Aug 19, 2009 2:10 PM | | |
| 41 | Downer | Aug 20, 2009 1:17 AM | | |
| 42 | Downer | Aug 20, 2009 2:15 AM | | |
| 43 | O'Connor | Aug 20, 2009 10:26 AM | | |
| 44 | Lyneham | Aug 20, 2009 11:20 AM | | |
| 45 | Turner | Aug 20, 2009 12:00 PM | | |
| 46 | O'Connor | Aug 20, 2009 1:20 PM | | |
| 47 | Watson | Aug 20, 2009 10:27 PM | | |
| 48 | HACKETT | Aug 20, 2009 10:46 PM | | |
| 49 | O'Connor | Aug 20, 2009 10:48 PM | | |
| 50 | Kaleen | Aug 20, 2009 10:50 PM | | |
| 51 | Downer | Aug 20, 2009 11:22 PM | | |
| 52 | braddon | Aug 20, 2009 11:25 PM | | |
| 53 | Ainslie | Aug 20, 2009 11:38 PM | | |
| 54 | North Lyneham | Aug 21, 2009 1:25 AM | | |
| 55 | inner Downer | Aug 21, 2009 4:26 AM | | |
| 56 | Nicholls | Aug 22, 2009 12:17 PM | | |
| 57 | Downer | Aug 23, 2009 1:34 AM | | |
| 58 | Kingston | Aug 24, 2009 1:00 AM | | |
| 59 | ainslie | Aug 24, 2009 2:36 AM | | |
| 60 | TURNER | Aug 24, 2009 6:03 AM | | |
| 61 | Watson | Aug 24, 2009 10:05 PM | | |
| 62 | Downer | Aug 25, 2009 4:22 AM | | |
| 63 | Gungahlin | Aug 25, 2009 5:41 AM | | |
| 64 | O'Connor | Aug 25, 2009 7:15 AM | | |
| 65 | Lyneham | Aug 25, 2009 11:25 AM | | |
| 66 | Dickson | Aug 25, 2009 11:50 AM | | |
| 67 | Dickson | Aug 26, 2009 3:11 AM | | |
| 68 | Dickson | Aug 26, 2009 4:50 AM | | |
| 69 | Downer | Aug 26, 2009 8:00 AM | | |
| 70 | Turner | Aug 26, 2009 12:29 PM | | |
| 71 | Dickson | Aug 27, 2009 12:05 AM | | |
| 72 | Watson | Aug 27, 2009 5:44 AM | | |
| 73 | Downer | Aug 27, 2009 12:27 PM | | |
| 74 | Watson | Aug 27, 2009 10:08 PM | | |
| 75 | Chapman | Aug 30, 2009 10:14 AM | | |
| 76 | Dickson | Aug 31, 2009 5:41 AM | | |
| 77 | Macquarie | Aug 31, 2009 9:54 AM | | |

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| 78 | Ainslie | Sep 2, 2009 2:05 AM | |
| 79 | Hackett | Sep 2, 2009 4:09 AM | |
| 80 | Downer | Sep 3, 2009 10:37 PM | |
| 81 | North Lyneham | Sep 4, 2009 1:31 AM | |
| 82 | watson | Sep 4, 2009 10:59 AM | |
| 83 | Palmerston | Sep 7, 2009 1:37 AM | |
| 84 | ARanda | Sep 8, 2009 4:23 AM | |
| 85 | Dickson | Sep 8, 2009 9:55 AM | |
| 86 | Ainslie | Sep 8, 2009 11:06 PM | |
| 87 | Reid | Sep 9, 2009 1:50 AM | |
| 88 | Aislie | Sep 9, 2009 3:19 AM | |
| 89 | Downer | Sep 12, 2009 9:57 AM | |
| 90 | downer | Sep 13, 2009 5:42 AM | |
| 91 | Downer | Sep 20, 2009 6:01 AM | |
| 92 | Dickson | Sep 20, 2009 6:23 AM | |

| Do you shop and/or use the services in the Dickson group centre? | | | |
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| Yes | | 96.5% | 83 |
| No | | 3.5% | 3 |
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| Other (please specify) | | | |
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| 1 | you might like to know which of these I use | Aug 12, 2009 12:03 AM | |
| 2 | doctors and medical shop socialise | Aug 17, 2009 9:24 PM | |
| 3 | I will be moving there in March 2010 | Aug 24, 2009 1:00 AM | |

| Do you work in the Dickson group centre? | | | |
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| | | Response Percent | Response Count |
| Yes | | 13.3% | 11 |
| No | | 86.7% | 72 |
| Other (please specify) | | ase specify) | 2 |
| | answere | ed question | 83 |
| | skippe | ed question | 9 |

| | Other (please specify) | | |
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| 1 | nearby | Aug 18, 2009 1:48 AM | |
| 2 | I used to work there | Aug 24, 2009 1:00 AM | |

| Do you see any current or potential issues relating to public transport in Dickson group centre? | | |
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| | | Response Count |
| | | 45 |
| | answered question | 45 |
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| 1 | test | Aug 12, 2009 12:23 AM | | |
| 2 | There already are issues with public Transport in Dickson. It takes 45-50 mins to on the No 2 & 6 services to get from Dickson to Barton. Needs new central bus stop, more direct services for people to commuting to the Inner South would | Aug 12, 2009 4:10 AM | | |
| 3 | No. | Aug 12, 2009 5:56 AM | | |
| 4 | Dickson should be a hub between civic and beloconnen - encourage fewer cars, esp. around Chinatown. | Aug 12, 2009 9:20 AM | | |
| 5 | There is limited disabled parking outside of the major parking areas. | Aug 12, 2009 11:10 PM | | |
| 6 | the bus station isn't central to the hub of the centre | Aug 13, 2009 4:41 AM | | |
| 7 | The main bus stop at Dickson shops and taxi rank is not centrally located. There is nto a keen pedestrian link from Northbourne Ave- a main transport route and the shops. | Aug 13, 2009 6:09 AM | | |
| 8 | I think the bus stop could be in a more convenient place than Cowper St. | Aug 13, 2009 11:26 AM | | |
| 9 | Ability of buses stop along Anthill St to collect/drop passengers. Cowper St is very busy - is this the best place for the main bus terminus? Will consideration be given to including Dickson in any future light rail route? If so we should be making allowances for this now. | Aug 14, 2009 7:41 AM | | |
| 10 | Possibly a more obvious bus stop area/transport hub? I don't use public transport, so I'm not sure what is at Dickson. | Aug 16, 2009 7:57 AM | | |
| 11 | No | Aug 17, 2009 3:37 AM | | |
| 12 | The current bus depot is pretty seedy and is not well connected to the shopping area, so that catching the bus doesn't seem like a practical option for shoppers. | Aug 17, 2009 4:44 AM | | |
| 13 | I think the bus stops/shelters are in dire need of a renovation! also more bicycle parking facilities right across the planning study are would be great. | Aug 17, 2009 5:39 AM | | |
| 14 | keep public transpt top priority. Many schools in area, youth, access to shops, medical hub, restaurants, POOL etc | Aug 17, 2009 9:43 PM | | |
| 15 | ACTION bus services can be erratic - at times, buses don't turn up when scheduled -disincentive to use public transport, despite our attempts to use public transport with our pre-school and school students (so that they're more likely to be public transport users in the future) | Aug 18, 2009 1:54 AM | | |
| 16 | Not enough parking. (I know - that's private transport but it's a fact) | Aug 18, 2009 6:00 AM | | |
| 17 | No | Aug 18, 2009 9:32 AM | | |
| 18 | no | Aug 18, 2009 12:12 PM | | |
| 19 | I can't believe that it takes me between 45 minutes and an hour to commute from Downer to Russell, or vice versa. It really makes the alternatives (car: 10 minutes, bike: 20 minutes) look very attractive. | Aug 20, 2009 4:25 AM | | |

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| 20 | I don't generally use public transport | Aug 20, 2009 12:03 PM | |
| 21 | Yes. The location of the main bus stops on Cowper Street seems to have an impact on traffic flow at busy times of the day. In addition, there is insufficient under cover seating for folk who are waiting for buses, whether at the Cowper Street stops or at the stops that are on Antill Street. | Aug 20, 2009 10:51 PM | |
| 22 | Main bus stop should be upgraded - it's not particularly attractive | Aug 20, 2009 10:55 PM | |
| 23 | A bus to ANU that doesn't involve transferring at Civic would be good. | Aug 20, 2009 11:27 PM | |
| 24 | I currently don't use public transport to Dickson, but I might be encouraged by more frequent buses | Aug 20, 2009 11:42 PM | |
| 25 | No Public transport is USELESS if you need to transport shopping or librbary books or go to the Medical Centre, so forget it and give us carparks!!! | Aug 21, 2009 4:29 AM | |
| 26 | If Canberra gets a tram network, make trams operate in Dickson making the town centre look similar to those in Melbourne. | Aug 22, 2009 12:29 PM | |
| 27 | Yes. The bus services to the south are inconvenient. The bus shelters need upgrading. | Aug 24, 2009 1:02 AM | |
| 28 | Not enough public transport to dickson | Aug 24, 2009 6:04 AM | |
| 29 | -bus interchange on Challis St, that includes diversion of busses from Northborne Ave a VERY good idea | Aug 25, 2009 4:25 AM | |
| 30 | No | Aug 25, 2009 5:42 AM | |
| 31 | No | Aug 25, 2009 11:50 AM | |
| 32 | Bus transport should with high frequency come into the heart of the Dickson group centre, so that it is a visible and viable option. A well designed, welcoming bus interchange should be part of this. | Aug 26, 2009 5:00 AM | |
| 33 | - not enough parking for bikes. | Aug 26, 2009 8:01 AM | |
| 34 | Accessible public transport is a must but do not create an interchange as it attracts vagrants (see Civic or Woden interchange). | Aug 26, 2009 12:33 PM | |
| 35 | Not for me personally, as I walk or ride there. | Aug 27, 2009 12:07 AM | |
| 36 | I think Dickson provides some unique opportunities to be the gateway to the city centre from the north. Park and ride. Get your dinner on the way home. | Aug 27, 2009 5:49 AM | |
| 37 | Public transport is OK - except most of the good buses only go down Northbourne, so you have to walk a bit further to get to them (we live more towards the Hackett end of Downer). | Aug 27, 2009 12:35 PM | |
| 38 | I think the taxi rank needs relocating to a more utilised area. In the evenings, the area is very quiet and dark, which can be concerning especially for older people. I would be concerned if the existing bus stop on Cowper St was relocated to Challis St, as I have heard suggested in a recent transport study, as I do not believe it would be as convenient to the shopping precinct. Most of the Wooley St area are restraunts. | Aug 27, 2009 10:20 PM | |
| 39 | There should be more free parking available in the centre. | Aug 31, 2009 5:43 AM | |
| 40 | No | Sep 3, 2009 10:44 PM | |
| 41 | I am aware of the possible configurations for a Dickson interchange discussed in the McCormick Ranken Cagney report | Sep 8, 2009 4:27 AM | |
| 42 | The Dickson centre is heavily trafficked at night, when public transport generally winds down. Public transport to and from Dickson should increase during it's peak periods. | Sep 9, 2009 1:53 AM | |
| 43 | Yes. The main terminal is perhaps best described as "univiting" or squalid. | Sep 12, 2009 10:08 AM | |
| 44 | There is not very good public transport from Downer to access the Northbourne Corridor. I haven't really tried to use the public transport very much. | Sep 13, 2009 5:48 AM | |
| 45 | I don't use public transport much, but when I have, I have found the area around Dickson to be well serviced by buses | Sep 20, 2009 6:05 AM | |

| Do you see any current or potential issues affecting walking or cycling to and in the Dickson group centre? | | |
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| | | 51 |
| | answered question | 51 |
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| 1 | test | Aug 12, 2009 12:23 AM |
| 2 | better street lighting on approaches to Dickson, specifically Cowper street bike path | Aug 12, 2009 3:56 AM |
| 3 | Need to ensure enough pedestrian areas, especally pedestrian only areas. Obviously looking at way that would get traffic moving around the centre would be good rather then through as is currently the case. | Aug 12, 2009 4:10 AM |
| 4 | No. | Aug 12, 2009 5:56 AM |
| 5 | This should be kept/made more accessible and enhanced, reduce number of cars. | Aug 12, 2009 9:20 AM |
| 6 | Main cycle path is heavily used. I often walk down to Dickson. | Aug 12, 2009 11:10 PM |
| 7 | Cycling access to Dickson centre is pretty good from Hackett but messy one there having to tangle with vehicles comming in and out of car parks. | Aug 13, 2009 2:45 AM |
| 8 | the bike path that runs behind dickson place doesn't connect to the shops very well | Aug 13, 2009 4:41 AM |
| 9 | As above. There is no clear pedestrian link from Northbourne Avenue to Dickson shops. | Aug 13, 2009 6:09 AM |
| 10 | No. | Aug 13, 2009 11:26 AM |
| 11 | Walking Crossing Anthill St difficult and sometimes dangerous by foot. | Aug 14, 2009 7:41 AM |
| | Cowper street and area near bus terminus is very chaotic, too many pedestrian crossings, traffic lights that are poorly placed resulting in long delays for cars, buses, bikes and pedestrians. Badham Street seems to cut the whole area in half. Whoolley Street, supposedly a restaurant zone is far too busy and we could consider shutting some of it off to vehicle traffic (supported though by better parking) | |
| 12 | Need better + SAFER on road lanes on Antill St! Could do with more bike parking. Maybe block off some streets to cars and have a more pedestrian friendly area? | Aug 16, 2009 7:57 AM |
| 13 | The cycle path from Northbourne Ave to Dickson College carries a lot of pedestrian and cycle traffic and should be lit. The pedestrian crossing from the pool is dangerousdrivers seem feel that they've done their bit if they don't hit you: some traffic calming is needed. | Aug 16, 2009 11:59 AM |
| 14 | Yes Dickson shops are extremely poorly connected for cyclists and walkers, to surrounding suburbs. Furthermore cycling and walking within Dickson shopping centre is unpleasant and difficult. | Aug 17, 2009 1:13 AM |
| 15 | The cycle path can be a dangerous place, particularly at night and on the weekends. | Aug 17, 2009 3:37 AM |

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| 16 | Shops could be more cycle-friendly, particularly the Chinatown end. | Aug 17, 2009 4:44 AM |
| 17 | there is a general need to enhance lighting/warning signals on most pedestrian crossings in the busier suburbs of Canberra and Dickson is no exception. | Aug 17, 2009 5:39 AM |
| 18 | Keep cycle paths and open areas with trees. Bike racks essential | Aug 17, 2009 9:43 PM |
| 19 | Our pre-school likes to walk into the Dickson group centre (e.g. for the library) on a regular basis. However, we need to have a safe access route - otherwise we have to have such a high staff:student ratio as to make such trips unworkable. | Aug 18, 2009 1:54 AM |
| 20 | Cycling around Disckson is chaos. Very dangerous where Northbourne on-road bike path crosses Antill st. Many walking areas are badly lit at night. | Aug 18, 2009 6:00 AM |
| 21 | No | Aug 18, 2009 9:32 AM |
| 22 | It is unclear who has the right of way (vehicles or pedestrians) at the driveway in front of Safeway/Woolworths. | Aug 18, 2009 12:12 PM |
| 23 | Yes. Cycling - On-Road Cycle Lanes Access by bike to the Dickson group centre from the south along Cowper St is not ideal. There is a cycle lane from Majura Ave north along Cowper St, but it disappears prior to reaching the group centre. On-road cycling along Antill St is generally fantastic - east of the group centre there is plenty of room for bikes, even (generally) without dedicated bike lanes. In the busy area between Northborne Ave and Cowper Sts there is less room on the road and a number of squeeze points. Fixing these issues would provide a lovely feeder route into the Dickson to Woden cycle lane. Multi-use Offroad paths The Sullivans Creek cycle path is a great resource for those wanting a nice walking, cycle or skating route off-road. This path is of generally good quality, but it is important for access to the group centre for this path to be maintained at a high standard. Footpath access | Aug 20, 2009 4:25 AM |
| 24 | I think cycling facilities in the actual centre should be improved, with either clearly marked bike lanes on the roads or dedicated cycleways. Cycling to and from Dickson is great, but actually getting around is quite dangerous as you're either on the footpath which is very narrow in places, or on the roads with lots of cars pulling out backwards and nearly missing you. | |
| 25 | The bikepath from Challis Street to Cowper Street behind the Cape Street shops is in very bad condition. It is pretty unsafe to ride your bike at normal speed. | Aug 20, 2009 10:30 PM |
| 26 | Cycling in the carparks is liking taking your life into your own hands but I suspect that is more to do with motorist inattention than any particular flaws with the parking lots. Some proper cycle lanes on Cowper Street, Antill Street, Cape Street and Woolley Street would be handy. Alternatively given the character of Woolley street (loads of restaurants etc) it might be worth considering turning that whole area into a pedestrian/cyclist precinct and move the cars further away. | Aug 20, 2009 10:51 PM |
| 27 | Linking the east and west parts (shopping and dining) so it is easier to walk from one part to the other would be good - too many roads dividing up the shopping/dining precincts | Aug 20, 2009 10:55 PM |
| 28 | A lot of kids travel to/from Southwell Park - an overpass over Northbourne Ave ?? | Aug 20, 2009 11:27 PM |
| 29 | At present it is easy to get to Dickson by bicycle - there are bike lanes and bike paths leading to Dickson - however once in the centre of Dickson it is very confusing for cyclists to work out how to get safely to where they are going. There are no clear bike-safe routes inside the area. The amount of dedicated bicycle parking could also be increased - at present bikes are often chained up to signs, benches etc. | Aug 20, 2009 11:34 PM |

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| 30 | Currently insufficient bicycle parking along Badham & Woolley Streets | Aug 20, 2009 11:42 PM | |
| 31 | Yes, cyclists are a complete pest and should be made to stay ON THE BIKE PATH. | Aug 21, 2009 4:29 AM | |
| 32 | No. | Aug 22, 2009 12:29 PM | |
| 33 | No | Aug 24, 2009 1:02 AM | |
| 34 | No | Aug 24, 2009 6:04 AM | |
| 35 | More cycling securing places are required. | Aug 24, 2009 10:06 PM | |
| 36 | -current cycleway along Mouat, across Northborne, onto Antill, abruptly ends at Challis - should be extended to Cowper and linked along Challis to one along drainage to Dickson College | Aug 25, 2009 4:25 AM | |
| 37 | No | Aug 25, 2009 5:42 AM | |
| 38 | Cycling in on the path from the South is good, but coming to/from Mouat st there is little choice but to ride on the roads, which tend to be busy. Not sure what could be done about this. | Aug 25, 2009 11:31 AM | |
| 39 | Woolley Street is too wide - pavements should be widened further to intensify the pedestrianisation, with restaurants and cafes to spill out further into the space, on street parking reduced on Woolley Street, plenty of bike stalls for locking up bijes | Aug 26, 2009 5:00 AM | |
| 40 | cars go too fast around the centre | Aug 26, 2009 8:01 AM | |
| 41 | Cycle paths should be included and widened. Dickson has a large number of both pedestrians and cyclists and they currently must share one narrow path southbound. | Aug 26, 2009 12:33 PM | |
| 42 | Traffic can be quite haphazard - I've been struck by a car twice since I've lived in the area. | Aug 27, 2009 12:07 AM | |
| 43 | No | Aug 27, 2009 5:49 AM | |
| 44 | Approaching by bicycle from the north is OK but not brilliant - friendliest way is the pedestrian crossing from the pool side. But then you have to cycle through the mall, which is quite busy and with lots of street furniture, or through the carpark | Aug 27, 2009 12:35 PM | |
| 45 | More safe areas to lock bicycles in well used areas required. | Aug 27, 2009 10:20 PM | |
| 46 | The top end of Badham St cuts Dickson into two distinct areas. Crossing it is a distinct problem for pedestians. | Sep 3, 2009 10:44 PM | |
| 47 | Improved cycling infrastructure is needed for Dickson | Sep 8, 2009 4:27 AM | |
| 48 | Yes. The pedestrian lights across Antill St are very slow to change and are regularly ignored by pedestrians and cyclists in particular but also by motorists on occasions. There needs to be greater policing of cyclists, if indeed there is any. At least one-third don't wear helmets and few dismount to cross major streets and some still insist on cycling around the entrance to shops. Many ignore red lights. | Sep 12, 2009 10:08 AM | |
| 49 | It is tricky to get around, the roads all cross back overthemselves. There is no good path down Antil to Dickson on the left hand side. It is awkward getting across all the roads and corners if you want to access different parts of Dickson at the one time. E.g. if you want to go to a shop in wooley st, then to the post office, or something like that, you have to negotiate the traffice. There is a bike path behind Dickson, but coming from the Downer side of antil, it isn't a good option to use. I would not like to ride my bike up challis street, as cars are always zooming around. It is a bit crazy with the cars. | Sep 13, 2009 5:48 AM | |
| 50 | The pedestrian lights crossing Antill st greatly help those walking or cycling to Dickson from Downer. The crossing on Cowper St near the pool seems to be heavily used and can slow down traffic moving along Antill. | Sep 20, 2009 6:05 AM | |
| 51 | Cycling paths in the centre could be better. | Sep 20, 2009 6:27 AM | |

| What do you think the character of Dickson group centre should be? How do you think Dickson's character could be enhanced? | |
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| 1 | test | Aug 12, 2009 12:23 AM | |
| 2 | The focus of the Dickson shopping precinct is focused on transactional behaviour, not lifestyle behaviour. This is an issue of both design and the nature of business undertaken in the precinct. | Aug 12, 2009 3:56 AM | |
| | Additionally, design of the shopping precinct can do with improvement - currently it does not encourage shoppers to migrate from eg Woolworths to the Harris Scarfe end of the precinct. | | |
| | The area around Cowper Street (Hudson's, Harris Scarfe) can be improved with additional capacity for night life activities (restaurants, cafe's). | | |
| 3 | Should open for pedestrain access, public transport and cycle, walking freindly. Have enough space for restureants, cafe's, incorporate high density accomidation. Hopefully this would make it a 'green' project that would encourage less car use and promote the benifits of inner city living as opposed to suburbn sprail. | Aug 12, 2009 4:10 AM | |
| 4 | Dickson is a great place for cafes and restaurants, and has the potential to be a good grocery shopping destination. Dickson needs more than one supermarket, and possibly more fruit and veg markets. | Aug 12, 2009 5:56 AM | |
| 5 | Retain community focus, small, locally owned shops and small businesses. I don't want to see dickson become generic and full of chain stores. | Aug 12, 2009 9:20 AM | |
| 6 | The character should reflect its 'china-town' status of Canberra and the alternative nature of the area - fresh organic food produce sellers and the like, and its location for coffee. | Aug 12, 2009 11:10 PM | |
| 7 | I like being able to stroll around the night time restaurant precinct in Wooley St. I look forward to it being enhanced as a family pedestrian precint while still having traffic flow through. More residential towers near by might encourage more growth and variety of services. Parking can be frustrating. I like having the library and swimming pool nearby and would like some competition to Wollies so they don't have 100m long lines at the checkouts. | Aug 13, 2009 2:45 AM | |
| 8 | it should have a nice community feel, parts of dickson feel like they are forgotten, particularly the back of the shops along Dickson place. the area with the Tradies and The Garden centre should be integrated more into the overall Dickson shops area | Aug 13, 2009 4:41 AM | |
| 9 | The character of Dickson as a restaurant hub is very valuable. The area could be enhanced with more open spare, and streerscaping- particularly on the western side of Dickson where there is limited public seating etc. | Aug 13, 2009 6:09 AM | |
| 10 | More active streetscapes - turn the shopping centre "inside out" so that there are shopfronts along Dickson Place rather than the backs of shops. | Aug 13, 2009 11:26 AM | |

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| 11 | Casual dining and social atmosphere which strongly supports pedestrian use. Supermarkets and ugly service stations not the prime focus. Range of shopping and service options. Enhanced green spaces - cleaner spaces and better lighting. | Aug 14, 2009 7:41 AM | |
| 12 | Cleanup and renew the restaurant/cafe areas to be more pleasant and people friendly. Stick to local small businesses, ie. avoid slabs of ghastly chain stores (like in Civic). Sometimes there appears to be the 'more is better' assumption for re-development. This should be avoided & there is already enough shopping in Civic, Fyshwick etc. Add more trees etc to the area. It would also be nice to clean up the Asian | Aug 16, 2009 7:57 AM | |
| | restaurant strip as that could be done up quite nicely. | | |
| 13 | More amenity a pleasant place to hang out in, with interesting small shops and restaurants (though the supermarket(s) are important for people to, and need adequate convenient parking). Give priority to pedestrians and cyclists within the shopping centre, slow down cars and encourage parking on periphery. Encourage residential expansion (for example above shops and in apartments nearby). | Aug 17, 2009 1:13 AM | |
| 14 | I think the character of Dickson has developed over many years based on the communities requirements. I dont think the 'character of Dickson' should be enhanced by removing sectors of the centre that dont fit the perceived needs of the future. | Aug 17, 2009 3:37 AM | |
| 15 | Less car traffic. More outdoor dining and pedestrian friendly. | Aug 17, 2009 4:44 AM | |
| 16 | I like the 'busy' feeling of Dickson group centre. The group centre should continue to provide all of the retail and community services that it currently does. Wooley Street has become a lively cafe/restaurant district in recent years, meanwhile there are some really nice courtyards in the 'main' shopping centre area near the post office/banks and Woolworths. I think the centres charactrer could be enhanced by keeping the 'lively' street front feeling of Woolley Street and also keeping the pedestrian freindly spaces within the main shopping area as nice courtyards for relaxing at cafes etc. The best thing about Dickson group centre is the lively atmosphere that has developed over recent years (particularly in the forementioned street/courtyards), and the 'humble jumble' feeling of all the businesses particulary in Woolley street. I think adding 2 more levels of residential accommodation (bringing the average height to 4 levels) across the planning area would help to enhance the bustling 'busy' feel of Dickson group centre. The 3/4 level developent at the southern end of Woolley Street is a good example of how extra levels of apartments can be added above shops in this area and how this actually enhances the street scape and general amenity of the area. | | |
| 17 | Multi cultural, Mix of activities restaurants, medical, shops, VIBRANT COLOURFUL SPIRIT REFLECTED IN THE PUBLIC ART AND STREET SCAPES. Green, sustainable, walk, bikes get out of cars OWN THE STREETS DAY AND NIGHT | Aug 17, 2009 9:43 PM | |
| 18 | By ensuring it meets the requirements of a child-friendly city, it will be more welcoming to families who will spend time there so 'claim the space' as a space where they feel safe so more likely to return. | Aug 18, 2009 1:54 AM | |
| 19 | More lively, more safe, less dodgy dark corners, more for kids, a park!!! | Aug 18, 2009 6:00 AM | |
| 20 | I would like to see the character of Woolley St as Chinatown further developed. Maybe part of the street could be turned into a pedestrian only area by paving over the road, and the character of this area enhanced with large statues of Chinese lions standing astride Chinese gateways at either end of the street. | Aug 18, 2009 6:45 AM | |
| 21 | Improve ugly buildings, particularly library. Extend Woolworths, or allow another large supermarket in the area | Aug 18, 2009 9:32 AM | |
| 22 | The recent redevelopment of the Jamison Centre is a great example of a modern shopping district. the current lack of competition and dominance by Safeway/Woolworths at Dickson is a big turn off. The Dickson library and cafes are excellent, as is the diversity of restaurants. | Aug 18, 2009 12:12 PM | |

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| 23 | When I was growing up in Belconnen, Dickson was where we came for a great dinner. This tradition is important and should continue. From a government persepective I think a pleasant pedestrian environment, and plentiful parking are the keys to ensure this continues. The few establishments that are able to offer alfresco dining in the area are very popular - and it would be great to see other restaraunts able to offer the service. | Aug 20, 2009 4:25 AM |
| | A better link/connection between the restaurant area around Woolley St and the shopping centre needs to be created. | |
| | It is key to continue to the tradition of having fantastic restaurants along Woolley St. | |
| 24 | I think Dickson is a great shopping centre. Some quieter areas and bike paths could do with more light though as they are quite dark at night and you don't feel very secure. | Aug 20, 2009 12:03 PM |
| 25 | The Dickson group centre should have an open character. Not eclosed like civic or belconnen. | Aug 20, 2009 10:30 PM |
| 26 | Woolly Street is starting to have really nice pavement vibe with all the restaurants and cafes. Getting rid of some of the cars and deepening the side walks would allow this vibe to develop further. Introduction of more gardens and trees would also make this space more attractive. | Aug 20, 2009 10:51 PM |
| 27 | More human friendly. Some of the building (Woolies, MacDonalds) are eyesores as is the street between the shopping precinct and the Tradies. | Aug 20, 2009 10:55 PM |
| 28 | Community, families. Build on the links to the many sporting facilities nearby. A playground near the library. Better links to pool and community facilities in the east. | Aug 20, 2009 11:27 PM |
| 29 | I love the outdoor, pedestrian-only feel of the area east of Woolworths. This area could be expanded at the expense of the car parks (a multi-storey car park instead?) Please don't turn Dickson into an indoor shopping mall. The outdoor spaces are why I like Canberra. | Aug 20, 2009 11:42 PM |
| 30 | A small surburban shopping centre for Dickson Downer ONLY. NOT a "hub". Majura and Harrison etc. need to go ELSEWHERE to shop. | Aug 21, 2009 4:29 AM |
| 31 | Dickson shopping centre should look similar to the town centres in Melbourne by adding a tram network. The centre can also be enhanced by making it have a Sydney feeling, such as having a indoor market, similar to sydney's Paddy's markets. Finally and most important, the town centre should be the home for Canberra's Chinatown, I think that if a more traditional chinese design, but also incorperated into Australian design, the centre would have more of a "Chinatown" feeling. By adding such things as a entry arch to the Chinatown and tradditional Chinese street lamps, Dickson can be a great Chinatown. | Aug 22, 2009 12:29 PM |
| 32 | Dickson's character is diverse and interesting. This should be maintained, however the centre could do with more investment by businesses and an improvement of services. The centre of the suburb is currently the Woolworths shopping centre, which is not a desirable centre to have. | Aug 24, 2009 1:02 AM |
| 33 | Enhanced but not changed. Please do not put a big block building up like so many other suburbs have recieved wheer i have lived. | Aug 24, 2009 6:04 AM |
| 34 | Improving the ambience of the "square" dining area making more user friendly areas for outdoor dining | Aug 25, 2009 5:42 AM |
| 35 | must retain the diverse mix of businesses and residents, retain a diverse socio- economic mix, don't lose lower rent businesses, establish a small business incubator, establish art studios, increase residential density in the heart of the centre, reduce surface car-parking and use this space more efficiently, make sure the public infrastructure that is built is looked after and maintained, make sure the streets are kept tidy, deal with the awfully unsafe and unattractive Dickson Place | Aug 26, 2009 5:00 AM |

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| 36 | more public spaces, grass, trees. | Aug 26, 2009 8:01 AM | |
| 37 | In small clusters of owner occupied shops. A 'shopping center' feel must be avoided at all costs. Another supermarket is also a must. Aldi would be good because it does not detract from other small businesses (butcher, baker, chemist, newsagent etc). | Aug 26, 2009 12:33 PM | |
| 38 | Much more open with wider footpaths and places to park my bike. The Dickson Square area is quite claustrophobic. | Aug 27, 2009 12:07 AM | |
| 39 | Retail, service with a real social flavour where you want to go and have dinner. Wooley street is a great example. Parking is abysmal though and is exactly why I try to avoid it. | Aug 27, 2009 5:49 AM | |
| 40 | Asian grocers and restaurants are distinctive feature of Dickson, especially in the "street" half. Pedestrian mall area is higgledypiggledy and not that inviting - I find the shops kind of closed in on themselves, with a lot of shading in winter meaning the cafes are often not as warm as they could be. | Aug 27, 2009 12:35 PM | |
| 41 | I like the Dickson area as it has developed, with stand alone shoping buildings connected by open, public spaces. I would hate to see any of it (re) developed into mall type space. | Aug 27, 2009 10:20 PM | |
| 42 | It is a bit old and dated at the moment. A new supermarket would be beneficial, and also a playground for young children, as they do in other neighbourhood centres (eg. Gunghalin) and shopping centres. | Aug 31, 2009 5:43 AM | |
| 43 | A better linking between Woolley St and Dickson Place. Currently they seem almost two different centres. This linkage needs to be both physical and perceptual | Sep 3, 2009 10:44 PM | |
| 44 | Retention of its multicultural features and small specialist shops would be welcome | Sep 8, 2009 4:27 AM | |
| 45 | Character is ok at present. A mix of dining choices. Woolworths should be relocated in order to stop dining traffic clashing with shopping traffic - these are two fundamentally different uses causing accessibilty problems as they are accessed at the same time. | Sep 9, 2009 1:53 AM | |
| 46 | I am looking forward to another supermarket to ease the current congestion. There certainly is no need for more cafes or restaurants. | Sep 12, 2009 10:08 AM | |
| 47 | The character is a bit dodgy, cars hoon around because they quickly have to take opportunities to turn. It is hard to stop at dominos to pick up pizzas, the parking behind KFC is all pokey and inaccessable, it is a bit creepy walking around there when it starts to get dark, e.g. if you have to go to the pharmacy. The character that I like is that I see people around there who are part of the community, e.g. in the library, at the health centre, at the shops and post office etc. There is agood range of shops, but it is awkward getting around the roads both by foot and by car. | Sep 13, 2009 5:48 AM | |
| 48 | The outdoor cafes within the shopping centre help bring a good atmosphere. The restaurants in Woolley St do this also. | Sep 20, 2009 6:05 AM | |
| 49 | It should be a service and cultural hub for the inner north. | Sep 20, 2009 6:27 AM | |

| Do you have any other suggestions, issues or points to add about the Dickson Centre Planning Study? | | |
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| 1 | test | Aug 12, 2009 12:24 AM | |
| 2 | I'd encourage you to make a special point of inviting the local trade unions that have members working in the area. If you havent already. So that they can canvesse workers (and that those that live around the area) to encourage them to participate in your consultation if you are really serious about 'community consultation'. Worker make business work after all and we do buy what sold at local bussinesses. The LHMU has lots of members working a range of venues in the areas and the Community and Public Sector Union has members working at ACT Government and APS Government building in the immediate facinity (not to mention all those public servants who commute from Dickson to Civic, the Inner South and Woden for work). | Aug 12, 2009 4:18 AM | |
| | Thanks for the opportunity for feed back. | | |
| 3 | The current lack of competition for the Dickson Woolworths is a real problem. Dickson Woolworths has a very poor selection of groceries, the isles are crushed and the checkout lines are always excessively long, virtually every hour of the day. I suspect the poor quality service is related to the lack of competition, so it would be great if a Coles or similar opened in the Dickson Centre. | Aug 12, 2009 5:58 AM | |
| 4 | Has a lot of potential if done the right way - don't turn into another mall (aka canberra centre or Gungahlin) and retain local, community focus. | Aug 12, 2009 9:21 AM | |
| 5 | Access to an alternative major supermarket is the biggest suggestion. But I think enhancements like culturally relevant art to the areas 'china-town' status, covered walkways and giving the area more green/garden areas would be good. | Aug 12, 2009 11:13 PM | |
| 6 | parts of the Dickson centre are really awful and run down, e.g: The back of the shops in Dickson Place, and the location of the dump bins in the loading zone off Dickson Place. The footpath on the corner of the Gym and The Garden is awful, it's a completely different levels. The area out the front of the library (with the shade sails) doesn't seem to ever have any real use. The businesses outside the general shopping centre seem excluded from the overall Dickson feel, The Garden and the gym particularly, the walkway next to the fruit shop ends nowhere, it would be better if there was some type of pedestrian crossing here maybe. The illustrations on the walls around the main bus stop are great though. Does Woolley street need to be so wide? Wouldn't it be great if the road wasn't as wide and there was outdoor seating for the restaurants? This could encourage some more trendy bars and cafes to open and Dickson could turn into a really vibrant kinda place. | Aug 13, 2009 4:52 AM | |

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| 7 | Less car parking to discourage drivers. The whole of Whooley Street should be paved, so cars are dicouraged and have to drive really slow. more open space for office workers in their lunchtime etc. more mixed use residentials- with shops on the groundfloor, and apartments/ offices on the top. the party lights in the restaraunt district are awesome too. | Aug 13, 2009 6:15 AM | |
| 8 | There needs to be another supermarket at Dickson - the Woolworths is a joke. It is always busy, and is only one of two supermarkets in Canberra North (the other being in the City), which is hardly appropriate from a competition perspective. Perhaps there could be a direct land sale to Aldi, like was done in Holt / Conder. | Aug 13, 2009 11:28 AM | |
| 9 | This will be our only opportunity to change this area for many many years. We should not shy away from making some difficult decision, especially relating to cars, parking and public transport. | Aug 14, 2009 7:44 AM | |
| 10 | Don't rush it :-) Probably stick up a few signs around the shops etc to let users know what is planned for the area. | Aug 16, 2009 7:58 AM | |
| 11 | Regarding cycling access points: while the main Sullivan's Creek path runs right next to Dickson shops, there is only one super-safe and convenient way to access the shops from it via the pedestrian crossing at the pool. Even so this requires one to cycle on the foot path, which isn't so good especially near the shops. There should be several access points from the path (for example at Challis street) which lead onto either bike paths that are separate from cars, or onto quiet (slow) streets. At the moment once you leave the bike path, you only have the option of the footpath or else onto quite busy streets an option that is only suitable for confident cyclists, and certainly not for children. Regarding walking access points: the access from Sullivan's creek path is good, if not terribly pleasant. The access from the North (Downer) is TERRIBLE. The single pedestrian traffic light is extremely slow to change (and occasionally cars ignore it altogether). It is really difficult to cross Antill St further down (closer to Northbourne Avenue) as a parent with a pram it was downright dangerous. Things like traffic islands in the middle would help here, with ramps allowing one to cross the gutters. Also that northern boundary of the shops should be more permeable for walkers. | Aug 17, 2009 1:22 AM | |
| 12 | Not at this stage. | Aug 17, 2009 3:37 AM | |
| 13 | There are a loud informal lobby 'group' in Canberra who are continually complaining about just about every development that is planned. I truly believe in 'good' planning and design (so that plans/buildings within those plans meet the objectives of the plans). Dickson is an ideal place to further intensify residential density while at the same time strengthen it's vital role as a retail/community service hub, as it is within inner north, yet a fair distance from the City and also next to a major public transport corridor. As with Kingston, Dickson is developing into a vibrant urban environment, one where people who actually like living in a city, can go to and feel like they actually DO live in a city! Canberra has many beautiful open spaces, parks, reserves and green belts and i'm not for one second saying we should encroach on those. What we should be doing is increasing the urban density within the current urban 'footprint'. There is still a long way to go in this city, but thankfully it seems planners in more recent times have started realising that carefully planned and supervised urban intensification can and will be a blessing for a city like Canberra. It will still leave plenty of areas in the city for people who want that relaxed country feeling while also providing lifestyle choice for those of us who love city living. The Dickson and Kingston planning study is one of those moments where decisions can be made to continue to make this city less car focussed and more poeple focussed and in doing so, further enhance the experience of living in this special city. | Aug 17, 2009 5:45 AM | |

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| 14 | Dickson as a hub works well with a mix of sporting activities, shops and restaurants. | Aug 17, 2009 9:44 PM | |
| | POOL MUST STAY in the mix, along with CHINA TOWN and the restaurant STRIP | | |
| | ARTWORKS AND PLANTINGS ARE ESSENTIAL FOR DEVELOPMENT OF CREATIVE ENERGY | | |
| | BICYCLES AND FOOT TRAFFIC TO BE ENCOURAGED | | |
| 15 | Dickson group centre has huge potential as a child-friendly, family-friendly and people-friendly meeting space where people come together to socialise and enjoy spending time and money! | Aug 18, 2009 1:57 AM | |
| 16 | A grassy park would be great. I used to work in the Dickson centre and there was nowhere nice and sunny and grassy to go and sit and eat lunch. A central park with play equipment for the kids would be great. Woolworths sucks. More supermarket competition is needed to improve price competitiveness and stock. Give locals some choice (although Watson IGA is fabulous). Dickson is really creepy at night to get around and feels unsafe - badly lit and lots of dark empty corners. I send the hubby to get what we need because I feel unsafe. More short-term parking needed for popping into shops/cafes without competing with the workers who park there all day. More long-term parking needed for workers. Cafe culture on Woolie st is and Cape st is great and has improved with the Cape st development (residential and restaurants). More residential in the centre may help it feel more populated. | Aug 18, 2009 6:16 AM | |
| 17 | I strongly support allowing another supermarket outlet to operate in the Dickson Centre. The current Safeway/Woolworths, would have to be the worst i have ever come across in Australia. It takes longer standing in a queue to pay for something than it does to actually do the shopping in the first place. I purchased milk from a service station cheaper than what it was available at the Dickson Safeway/Woolworths. Interstate visitors have been shocked at this supermarket at the prices, service and out dated feel of the supermarket. I personally have noticed the level and quality of customer service drop over the years there and now i only shop there as a last resort. | Aug 18, 2009 12:17 PM | |

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| 18 | Parking (Woolley St) | Aug 20, 2009 4:54 AM |
| | Once this carpark is accessable to the public (at a reasonable cost, and with appropriate signage pointing them in the right direction) then it opens up options for improving Woolley St. Currently Woolley St/Cape St and Badham St are dominated by the car. With the multistorey car park open it will take away much of the need to park on these streets, and access would primarily be via Challis St a wider street better able to cope with the traffic volumes. | |
| | Woolley St could become dominated by the pedestrian - with alfresco dining from existing restaurants, and maybe even some stand-alone kiosk-style restaurants. The whole area would be paved with the existing red pavers. The road should continue to exist as a single lane one-way street - but be on the pavers, seperated from the pedestrians by artistic bollards. Cars should be allowed to parallel park along this street - with a 15 minute timelimit - to allow quick and easy pickup of take-away meals. | |
| | Parking (Shopping Centre) There is plenty of car parks available in the shopping centre. | |
| | Supermarket | |
| | Shopping Center The shopping centre area of Dickson is looking sad and dated. Recent work adding the sheep outside the post office, and the shadecloth area outside the library and the artwork on the eastern external wall (near the bus stop) have done a little to brighten up the area - but its not really enough. This being said the eclectic mix of interesting shops is lovely - I'd hate to knock down the existing structures and get a mini-Belconnen Mall or Canberra Centre with all the same stores you see at malls the world over! | |
| 19 | The design of the carpark near the Tradies Club really needs a rethink. It has weird tight turns and no one seems to understand or follow the arrows. The entry/exit spots are too narrow and this is exacerbated when service vehicles are parked at the curb behind the shops. | Aug 20, 2009 10:52 PM |

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| 20 | Yes, we all know this is an underhand attempt by ACTPLA to put in yet MORE medium density housing and development. We DO NOT NEED any second grocery shop - if you want one either rebuild in Downer - the shopping area you previously destroyed - or put one on the petrol station site in Watson where again you are destrying a viable community shopping precint. | Aug 21, 2009 4:36 AM |
| | We DO NOT WANT out of suburb residents parking in our streets like they do now in Braddon, because there are no carparks in Dickson - we want them to STAY AWAY. | |
| | What we do want is NO MEDIUM density development, a restoration of the librbary hours at Dickson library to include Sundays again and a return to free carparking at the Dickson shop carparks. | |
| | We also want to see either a clear-way OR lights from Melba street out into Antill as we cannot even get out of our own suburb (Downer) and into Cowper street most days. Daramarlam College is much to balme for this, no parents should be allowed to deliver students to school via Cowper Street. | |
| 21 | No. | Aug 22, 2009 12:29 PM |
| 22 | I would love to see open areas with trees and dining with potential for entertainment groups, bands, etc | Aug 25, 2009 5:44 AM |
| 23 | A second supermarket to take the load off Woolworths would be good. I often try to shop in the city instead to avoid having to go into Dickson Woolworths. | Aug 25, 2009 11:33 AM |
| 24 | Don't over plan Dickson, it is one of Canberra's more 'organic' spaces - place management would be useful to ensure that it can be regularly monitored for the degree to which it upholds its character - residential development should continue to be part of the evolving mix - must remember that its is not simply a 'consumer / shopping' space - it is a genuine community space, something that is very hard to obtain or acquire if displaced by large scale and greedy commercial or retail development - put people first | Aug 26, 2009 5:04 AM |
| 25 | Please help! Dickson Woolworths is a nightmare! The rest of Dickson shopping is very pleasant indeed. Please do not lose the character of a great neighbourhood shop just give us another supermarket!!! | Aug 26, 2009 12:34 PM |
| 26 | Fix up the creek out the back of the shops and make it an area that people can meet and spend time. The surface parking is hideous, please rectify. Another supermarket would be quite handy too. At the moment the area feels quite fragmented - offices on one side, then some restaurants, a supermarket and then a bunch of shops. Maybe go for a more mixed use approach, with offices above shopfronts and restaurants. Another idea would be to extend the streets down towards Sullivan's Creek to create a sense of geometry. Along with landscaping improvements to the creek itself, it would create quite an open feel to the group centre and remove some of the claustrophobia I've mentioned before. | Aug 27, 2009 12:11 AM |
| 27 | Not yet. | Aug 27, 2009 5:49 AM |
| 28 | I hope this study is not hijacked by any perceived requirement for another large supermarket to be included into the area (as defined by the study map). The only way I could see this occuring would be to either remove significant car park space (thus requiring under ground space), or by the removal existing shops which would not only reduce the existing variety of shops but lessen the character of the centre. I would not like to see Dickson become yet another mall type development. One only has to look at how the expanded Canberra Centre has ripped the guts out of life in the City outdoor shopping areas, or compare it to the sterility of other mall based group centres such as Macquarie, which are just big car parks servicing an enclosed building. | Aug 27, 2009 10:29 PM |

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| 29 | I would most like to see a new supermarket with lots of free parking available. I currently drive to the Coles in Gunghalin as the Dickson Woolworths is always full, cramped and you have to pay for parking. I would also like to see a playground for young children. Currently in Dickson | Aug 31, 2009 5:45 AM | |
| | there isn't a decent playground for my toddler. | | |
| 30 | Make Woolley St an even more distintly a multicultural eating and shopping area. Its current mixture of cars and people during the evening is a feature that should be retained and if possible improved. A more obvious "China town" precint visually linked to Dickson Place would be of benefit. | Sep 3, 2009 10:53 PM | |
| | A second supermarket could be of some value, but if it led to even less diversty in shops this would be a negative. | | |
| | A hardware store or something similar would be wonderful, Gungahlin and Belconnen are both a significant distance. Michell is closer but whoknows were to go to buy what. | | |
| 31 | I haven't yet seen the Dickson centre planning study | Sep 8, 2009 4:31 AM | |
| 32 | More parking needs to be provided in the form of a multi-level parking facility. On street parking should be sacrificed on Woolley Street and the street closed, making it pedestrian access only. | Sep 9, 2009 1:56 AM | |
| 33 | The supermarket is way too small for the population it services, although I note some improvements are currently being made. I'm not convinced that the improvements will be sufficient to allow the supermarket to adequately service the population. (I do my grocery shopping at Belconnen, Gungahlin or Kaleen because the Dickson supermarket is so inadequate). | Sep 20, 2009 6:10 AM | |
| | Parking is insufficient at Dickson as well - the free parking seems to be always taken by workers in the area (or who bus into the city). | | |
| | Is the pool part of the study? If so, it's a beautiful pool, but a shame that it is only an outdoor pool and thus is available for such a short period of the year. | | |
| | I appreciate the initiative to plan for the future development of the Centre. | | |
| 34 | Need to remove open car parks less of a concrete jungle. Building heights shouldn't be an issue. Need to provide for a new supermarket and smaller grocers. There should better flow between cafe area and shops and recreation areas. Need better access links to public transport on Northbourne avenue. Challis street and Dickson Place could be better utilised. | Sep 20, 2009 6:35 AM | |















































































































