

BELLAMBI COMMUNITY CONSULTATION RESULTS 2026

Healthy Cities Australia and the Wollongong Local Drug Action Team (LDAT) worked together under a Type 1 Consultation to understand local alcohol and other drug issues that affected Bellambi. These consultations took place in early 2026 through pop up events, online and face to face surveys and weekly meetings with LDAT team.

Who was consulted within the community?

- 120 Children & families attended the Pop up & Have Your Say event at Bellambi Pools
- 28 adults responded to the survey
- 14 LDAT stakeholders participated in meetings & 12 additional stakeholders participated in the survey.

What were the key issues identified?

- Drugs, Alcohol & Vaping use
- Not enough safe activates or places for children and young people: 'Children not having enough to do', 'Not to much to do in the area'
- Violence, Bullying & Safety Concerns: 'Violence, fights and unsafe feelings'
- Food insecurity & poverty: 'Financial Stress'
- Housing stress & community change: "Concerns about the rezoning of Bellambi"

Report Recomendations

Type 2 Community Action Plan was designed with the following priorities as identified by the community. Awaiting funding April 2026 for program commencement Term 2 2026

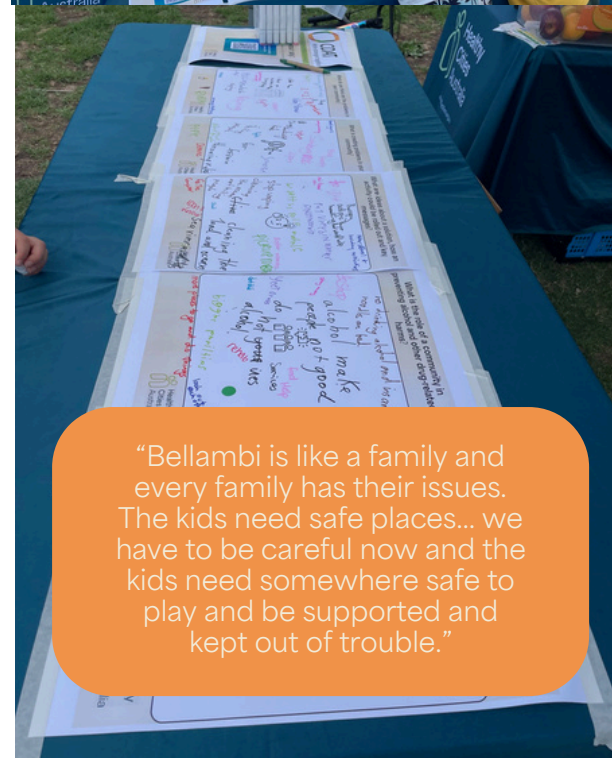
1. Deliver a community drug and alcohol prevention program that is focused on the children.
2. Include priority areas identified by the community, such as safe spaces for children, early alcohol and other drug education and fun community activities.
3. Additional focus areas of focus including e-bike safety, developing respectful relationships and family inclusive sessions each term to strengthen community connection in Bellambi.

Contact Michelle for further details:

☎ 02 4283 8111

✉ michelle@healthycities.org.au

🌐 www.healthycities.org.au



"Bellambi is like a family and every family has their issues. The kids need safe places... we have to be careful now and the kids need somewhere safe to play and be supported and kept out of trouble."