

BUNDALEER 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 Bundaleer and Warrawong. 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 with within the community?

- 48 Children & 13 Young people attended the Pop up & Have Your Say and Youth events
- 19 adults responded to the survey
- 14 LDAT stakeholders participated in meetings & 14 additional stakeholders participated in the survey.

What were the key issues identified?

- Drugs, Alcohol & Vaping use: 'Drugs and alcohol are everywhere here, and the kids need a safe place', 'Children and teens need things to do!'
- Violence, Bullying & Safety Concerns
- Homelessness, poverty & financial stress
- Lack of safe, supportive spaces for young people
- Intergeneration disadvantage and limited services

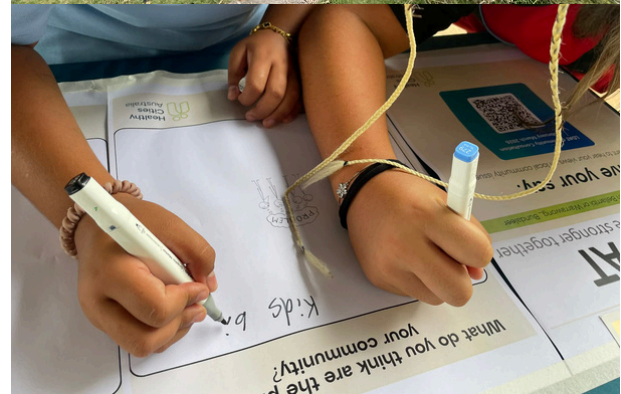
Report Recommendations:

Type 2 Community Action Plan was developed in response to the consultation with the priorities below. Funding applied for March 2026 awaiting confirmation prior to commencing program 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 drug education, healthy food, fun community activities and positive role modelling
3. Provide family inclusive sessions each term to strengthen connection and share drug and alcohol prevention messages and strategies

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"Our kids deserve safe places to play, learn and grow. We want more positive role models, more activities, and more support so families don't feel alone. With the right programs, Bundaleer can be a stronger, safer community for everyone."

