# Proposals for improving Kagoshima's parks based on the Perth case study



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## Purpose

Improve parks in Kagoshima to make them centers of sustainable communities, health development and place for public interaction

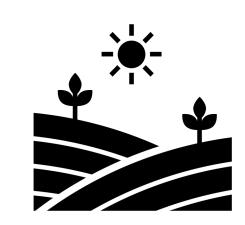
## Why parks?

- Most of the users are children
- Felt different in Perth (users, facilities, purpose)

## **Current problems**

- Children's park play has decreased due to video games, COVID-19 etc.
- Many rules

#### Importance of parks



- ✓ Community revitalization, Formation of green city, Disaster prevention shelter, Health promotion
- ✓ Improvement of motor function, Developing crisis perception skills

## Situation in Kagoshima

#### Yoshino park

- Far from city center
- Rules established in 1940
- Try to allow dogs in limited areas (2022 trial start)
  - → Pets as a family member
     User feedback
     Use as pet shelter
  - \* Have a questionnaire to ask users' ideas

## Case study in Perth

#### From interviews with Perth residents



In Perth, there are many apartments with no yard, so park is important place for people to relax.



Woman in her 50s

We go to parks to socialize with friends, exercise, walk dogs, and enjoy the sunshine.

Park often have coffee vans so people can grab coffee and watch sport or go for a walk before or after work.

#### Kagoshima Kenkonomori park

- Far from city center
- Rules established in 1992
- Dogs are allowed in limited areas
- Built park golf facilities due to...

requests from the public anticipated use promotion of sports and response

promotion of sports and recreation activities



Challenges for new initiatives



Old rules Limited way of use

## Benefits of parks in Perth

- Park Complex Beatty park
- Easy access(a lot of busses and parking and good location)
- Daycare

   children aged 8weeks to 5 years old
   \$7.20 / 90 minutes (members \$2.60)



Free plastic bag for pets
To be installed with trash bin



■ Facilities Beatty park gym, spa, sauna, pools, community square, group fitness

#### Events

Kyilla community farmers' market

fresh produce, meat, seafood, baked goods, soap and pottery food trucks and coffee vans



## Proposals

- Introduce free plastic bag with trash bins
- Hold events
- Making a Park Complex
- Review rules

#### **Effects**

- Keep parks clean
- Increase use of parks
- Have a local character and lead to tourism