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# HUNTER’S HILL COUNCIL
ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
9 March 2020

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Nil

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Nil

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Nil
CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES Meeting 4476 - 9 March 2020

COMMENCEMENT

The meeting opened with Acknowledgement of Country and Prayer at 7.30.

IN ATTENDANCE

Deputy Mayor Councillor Jim Sanderson, Councillors Ben Collins, Elizabeth Krassoi, Justine McLaughlin, Zac Miles, and Ross Williams.

ALSO PRESENT

The General Manager Lisa Miscamble, the Director Development and Regulatory Services Steve Kourepis, the A/Director of Corporate Governance, Barry Husking, the Director Service Delivery and Special Projects George El Kazzi, Christina Pass (Minutes) and Steven Spagnolo (Audi-Video Recording & web upload).

APOLOGIES

The Mayor Councillor Mark Bennett

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Miles declared a non-pecuniary, non-significant interest in Item 4.16, as one of the applicant is known to Clr Miles.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

001/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Williams, seconded Clr Miles

That the Minutes of Ordinary Meeting No. 4473, 9 December 2020 be confirmed subject to:

1. changing Resolution 267/19 mover from Clr Williams to Clr Collins; and

2. amending typographical error replacing the word “iyr” with the word “out”, both on page 3 of the 9 December 2019 minutes.

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CONFIRMATION OF EXTRA ORDINARY MINUTES

002/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Miles, seconded Clr Williams
That the Minutes of Extra Ordinary Meeting No. 4474, 16 December 2020 be confirmed.

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MOVED on the motion of Clr Miles, seconded Clr Collins
That item 3.6 be moved forward.
The MOTION to move 3.6 forward was LOST

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003/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr McLaughlin
That after the Mayoral Minutes, items 3.3, 3.5 and 3.6 be moved forward in that order.

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MAYORAL MINUTES & REPORTS

2.1 NSW BUSHFIRE CRISIS AND DROUGHT APPEAL

004/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Sanderson, seconded Clr Miles
That the report be received and noted.

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2.2 HUNTER’S HILL RESIDENTS RECOGNISED IN THE AUSTRALIA DAY HONOURS ROLL 2020

RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Miles, seconded Clr McLaughlin

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2.3 POSTPONEMENT OF THE ORDINARY MEETING 10 FEBRUARY 2020

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NOTICES OF MOTION INCLUDING RESCISSION MOTIONS

3.3 MOTION TO REVIEW HUNTERS HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL DROP OFF ZONES

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Ms Joanna Sadar (Supporter) addressed Council on this matter

RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Miles, seconded Clr Collins

1. That Council engage a traffic consultant to review the traffic and pedestrian safety in and around Hunters Hill Public School;

2. That Council investigate the installation of a roundabout or keep clear road signage at the intersection of Mount Street, Alexandra Street and the Avenue;

3. That Council bring back a report to Council identifying options to improve safety and traffic flow.

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3.5 MOTION TO ASSIST IN THE KOALA HABITAT RECOVERY

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Mrs Pamela Alvarez (Supporter) addressed Council on this matter

RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Miles, seconded Clr Collins

1. That Council write to organisations involved in the recovery efforts of the koala population following the devastating bushfire season to offer our support;

2. That Council investigate where appropriate vegetation from Hunters Hill may be of use to shelters who need to feed koalas who are being treated; and

3. That Council investigate adopting koalas from shelters that are currently caring for wounded animals.

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3.6 MOTION IN RELATION TO A STATE OF CLIMATE EMERGENCY

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Miss Amelia Huxley (Supporter) addressed Council on this matter

Ms Louise Shepherd (Supporter) addressed Council on this matter

Ms Caroline McDaid (Supporter) addressed Council on this matter

Rev Michael Armstrong (Supporter) addressed Council on this matter

MOVED on the motion of Clr McLaughlin, seconded Clr Krassoi

A MOTION was moved by Clr Justine McLaughlin seconded by Clr Elizabeth Krassoi that:

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council acknowledges that we are in a state of climate emergency that requires urgent action by all levels of government; that human induced climate change represents one of the greatest threats to humanity, civilisation and other species; and that it is still possible to prevent the most catastrophic outcomes if societies and communities, including local councils, take action to reduce our impact on our environment;

2. That Council acknowledges that every community, no matter how small, has a role to play in reducing the impact of climate change on our built and natural environment and ecosystems; and that we work towards adapting our existing policies and practices where necessary to address more efficient water, energy, waste, use as well as anticipate carbon sequestration and urban heat mitigation practices;
3. That Council continues to build on its strategic commitment to sustainability by consideration and implementation of sustainable principles in all future aspects of our operations and service delivery, and by working towards ensuring that such principles are embedded into our long term strategic plans, our LEP, DCP and our quadruple bottom line;

4. That a report be brought back to Council presenting realistic, attainable goals to demonstrate practices that work towards the above principles as soon as practicable; and

5. That Council continue to collaborate and partner with State and Federal government, LGNSW, NSROC and other relevant agencies on innovation and initiatives that improve our organisational sustainability and that address environmental and climate issues in our wider community.

MOVED on the motion of Clr Collins, seconded Clr Miles

An AMENDMENT was moved by Clr Ben Collins seconded by Clr Zac Miles that:

Council include additional recommendations as follows:

6. That Council:
   1. Investigate installing solar panels on all council buildings to create sustainable power system;
   2. Investigate installing solar panels on all council buildings to create sustainable power system;
   3. Waive DA fees for all solar installations;
   4. Commit to priority assessment of DAs for houses with the majority of materials being recycled, and a zero net emission energy system and waive DA Fees;
   5. Hold all Council meetings in the daytime to reduce energy usage;
   6. Cancel all interstate travel by staff and Councillors;
   7. Investigate a kitchen caddy service (Bryon Bay) to increase the food scraps in organic waste.
   8. A review of Council’s recycling system;
   9. Investigate job incentives in areas that support Council’s climate initiatives;
   10. Investigate establishing a rehabilitation center to educate in sustainability;
   11. Hunters Hill Council commit to net zero emissions by 2050.

Change original motion part 1 to remove the declaration that we are in a state of climate emergency.

MOVED on the motion of Clr Collins, seconded Clr Miles

A MOTION was moved by Clr Ben Collins seconded by Clr Zac Miles that:

Council move into Open Session for additional ideas.
The MOTION to move into Open Session was CARRIED.

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MOVED on the motion of Clr Miles, seconded Clr Collins

A MOTION was moved by Clr Zac Miles seconded by Clr Ben Collins that:
The Open Session be ceased

The Motion to cease Open Session was CARRIED.

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The original MOTION on being put to the meeting was CARRIED.

Original item 3.6 Motion CARRIED

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MOVED on the motion of Clr Collins, seconded Clr Miles

That Item 4.1 be brought forward to be discussed prior to Item 3.1.

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MOVED on the motion of Clr Williams, seconded Clr McLaughlin

A MOTION was moved by Clr Ross Williams seconded by Clr Justine McLaughlin that:

Dr Alistair Sharp be permitted to address Council regarding item 4.1

The MOTION on being put to the meeting was CARRIED

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4.1 PARRAMATTA RIVER FERRY SERVICE REVIEW

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Dr Alistair Sharp (Supporter) addressed Council on this matter

MOVED on the motion of Clr Williams, seconded Clr Krassoi

RECOMMENDATION

1. That this report is received and noted.
2. That Council write to the Minister of Transport, the local member The Hon. Mr Anthony Roberts and the General Manager Operations of Transdev to advise that Council is opposed as a matter of principle to the proposed changes to the F3 and F8 ferry services on the basis that it will be a retrograde public transport result to the detriment of the residents of the Hunters Hill Municipality based on the following concerns and reasons:
   a) Barangaroo is not a transport interchange, being a significant walk to or from train, bus and light rail connections at Wynyard;
   b) The walk between Barangaroo Wharf and Wynyard includes a number of escalators with the alternative of lifts for those with reduced mobility making this part of a journey more difficult for some (including wheelchair bound commuters, some seniors and parents travelling with young children) as will changing ferries if they continue to Circular Quay;
   c) The walk between Barangaroo Wharf and Wynyard is uncovered for much of its distance making it undesirable in inclement weather;
   d) By comparison Circular Quay is a major transport interchange in close proximity to train, bus and light rail connections;
   e) For those who continue to travel to and from Circular Quay, which is the preferred destination for Woolwich and Huntleys Point residents, the detriment of substantial additional travel time due to changing ferries at Barangaroo or Balmain East will more than offset any benefit of additional services at peak times;
   f) Transdev should release data about ferry usage used in the development of their proposal which will assist in understanding the
high use of customers within the area;

g) Ferry services played a major role in the early history and development of Hunters Hill and remain a vitally important means of direct transport between the peninsular and the city as road journeys are less direct and are usually congested;

h) The direct ferry services to and from Circular Quay continue to attract people to live in the Hunters Hill and Huntleys Point peninsulas because of the convenient connection to employment and educational institutions via Circular Quay;

i) Residents regularly use the Circular Quay ferry services for travel to and from cultural centres including the Opera House, The Rocks and the Botanic Gardens as well as Macquarie Street medical services, and the Airport Train – the inconvenience of changing ferries or additional walking is likely to reduce demand for these services particularly for those travelling to the airport with baggage;

j) The use of berths at Circular Quay by private cruise operators should be reviewed, exploring arrangements to provide more berthing opportunities for commuter ferries;

k) Residents have indicated that existing services should remain in place as far as possible and that termination of services at Barangaroo should only be used for additional services;

l) There is great potential to improve ferry services by improving connections with buses and other ferries, without disrupting services for those who live west of the Harbour Bridge.

An AMENDMENT was moved by Clr Williams

That the Recommendation be amended as follows:

1. Insert a new paragraph 2:

   That Council Acknowledges the community’s concern in relation to the ferry proposals and to record Council’s acknowledgement that at a large public meeting the community unanimously rejected the proposal to vary our ferry service due to its detrimental impact on the community.

2. Insert a new sub-paragraph 3 d)

   There is concern about the safety of those walking alone after dark to and from Barangaroo Wharf;

3. Insert a new sub-paragraph 3 h)

   Additionally for passengers travelling between Huntleys Point and the city, the travel times will be further increased as it is proposed all F3 services will be an all stop service between Abbotsford and the City;

MOVED on the motion of Clr Collins, seconded Clr Miles

A MOTION was moved by Clr Ben Collins seconded by Clr Zac Miles that:

Mr Malcolm [surname inaudible] be permitted to address Council regarding item 4.1
The MOTION on being put to the meeting was CARRIED

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The AMENDMENT was ACCEPTED by the mover of the Motion and was incorporated into the Motion.

009/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Williams, seconded Clr Krassoi

1. That this report is received and noted.

2. That Council acknowledges the community’s concern in relation to the ferry proposals and to record Council’s acknowledgement that at a large public meeting the community unanimously rejected the proposal to vary our ferry service due to its detrimental impact on the community.

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   c) That the walk between Barangaroo Wharf and Wynyard is uncovered for much of its distance making it undesirable in inclement weather;

   d) That there is concern about the safety of those walking alone after dark to and from Barangaroo Wharf

   e) That by comparison Circular Quay is a major transport interchange in close proximity to train, bus and light rail connections;

   f) That for those who continue to travel to and from Circular Quay, which is the preferred destination for Woolwich and Huntleys Point residents, the detriment of substantial additional travel time due to changing ferries at Barangaroo or Balmain East will more than offset any benefit of additional services at peak times;

   g) That for those who continue to travel to and from Circular Quay, which is the preferred destination for Woolwich and Huntleys Point residents, the detriment of substantial additional travel time due to changing ferries at Barangaroo or Balmain East will more than offset any benefit of additional services at peak times;
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m) That the use of berths at Circular Quay by private cruise operators should be reviewed, exploring arrangements to provide more berthing opportunities for commuter ferries;

n) That residents have indicated that existing services should remain in place as far as possible and that termination of services at Barangaroo should only be used for additional services;

o) That there is great potential to improve ferry services by improving connections with buses and other ferries, without disrupting services for those who live west of the Harbour Bridge.

The AMENDED MOTION for item 4.1 on being put to the meeting was CARRIED.

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MOVED on the motion of Clr Collins

A MOTION was moved by Clr Ben Collins that:

Clr Collins withdraw item 3.1 and move to a later meeting.
MOTION TO ENSURE TRANSPARENCY IN PRESS COMMUNICATIONS

RECOMMENDATION
1. That Council make all future press releases available on the Hunters Hill Council website exactly as issued; and
2. That Councillors are notified when a new press release is issued.

MOTION TO IMPROVE SCHEDULE OF WORKS COMMUNICATION

MOVED on the motion of Clr Miles, seconded Clr Collins

A MOTION was moved by Clr Zac Miles seconded by Clr Ben Collins that:

RECOMMENDATION

MOVED on the motion of Clr McLaughlin, seconded Clr Krassoi

A MOTION was moved by Clr Justine McLaughlin seconded by Clr Elizabeth Krassoi that:
1. Council Moves to put the Motion.

The move to put the Motion at item 3.2 was CARRIED

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Item - 3.3 Motion to Review Hunters Hill Public School Drop Off Zones - has been moved to another part of the document.

MOTION TO MAINTAIN A ROLL OF BUSINESS VOTERS

RECOMMENDATION
1. That Council establish and maintain a roll of Business electors eligible under s266(b) and (c) of the Local Government Act 1993;
2. That Council engage with the business community, encouraging them to enrol to vote in local government elections through a targeted newsletters, direct mail, council’s TWT column and information sessions; and
3. That Council send the New South Wales Electoral Commission
(NSWEC) enrolment forms to all rateable businesses in the Municipality.

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Item - 3.5 Motion to Assist in the Koala Habitat Recovery - has been moved to another part of the document.

Item - 3.6 Motion in relation to a State of Climate Emergency - has been moved to another part of the document.

3.7 MOTION TO REPORT ON UPDATE OF DELIVERY OF PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT THE CORNER OF MARK AND MARY STREET

010/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Cllr Collins, seconded Cllr Miles

1. That a report be provided to Council Meeting scheduled for 9 March 2020 to provide an update on the delivery of the pedestrian crossing on the corner of Mark and Mary Street as recommended by the Local Area Traffic Committee on 19 September 2019.

2. That this report provide details of costings, identify sources of funding and a program for the delivery of the pedestrian crossing.

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3.8 NOTICE TO DEVELOP A MITIGATION STRATEGY FOR EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS

MOVED on the motion of Cllr Krassoi, seconded Cllr McLaughlin

A MOTION was moved by Cllr Elizabeth Krassoi seconded by Cllr Justine McLaughlin that:

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council seek grant support to provide a one off, kerbside green waste clean up as soon as practicable, promoting this through local network groups, bushcare and community group networks; and

2. That Council seek grant support to conduct a risk reduction program and
a review of green waste collection schedules and sizes for residents in those areas referring to the risk mitigation assessment of heavily wooded areas of our Municipality including those areas identified in the current Bushfire Management Plan.

MOVED on the motion of Clr Krassoi, seconded Clr Miles

An AMENDMENT was moved by Clr Elizabeth Krassoi seconded by Clr Zac Miles:

To combine items 3.8 and 3.9

Clr Collins left the meeting at 10:17 pm.
Clr Collins returned to the meeting at 12:49 pm.

011/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Krassoi, seconded Clr McLaughlin

1. That Motions for items 3.8 and 3.9 be combined.
2. That Council provides a Report to determine the costs associated with the combined Motions; being:
   a) That Council seek grant support to provide a one off, kerbside green waste clean up as soon as practicable, promoting this through local network groups, bushcare and community group networks;
   b) That Council seek grant support to conduct a risk reduction program and a review of green waste collection schedules and sizes for residents in those areas referring to the risk mitigation assessment of heavily wooded areas of our Municipality including those areas identified in the current Bushfire Management Plan;
   c) That Council undertake an independent audit of the safety of the tree canopy in Hunters Hill with a view to mitigating the significant damage experienced in the wake of major storm events - as seen in recent weeks;
   d) That Council focus the audit particularly in areas of high pedestrian traffic, infrastructure and key access points;
   e) That Council assess the recommendations from the final audit for implementation to improve the management of our tree canopy.
3. That Council’s Report be provided at the Council meeting scheduled for 27 April 2020.

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Item - 3.9 Motion in relation to audit tree canopy safety in Hunters Hill - has been combined with Item - 3.8 Motion.

3.9 MOTION TO AUDIT TREE CANOPY SAFETY IN HUNTERS HILL
RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council undertake an independent audit of the safety of the tree canopy in Hunters Hill with a view to mitigating the significant damage experienced in the wake of major storm events - as seen in recent weeks;

2. That Council focus the audit particularly in areas of high pedestrian traffic, infrastructure and key access points;

3. That Council assess the recommendations from the final audit for implementation to improve the management of our tree canopy.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Item - 4.1 Parramatta River Ferry Service Review - has been moved to another part of the document.

4.2 GLADESVILLE BRIDGE MARINA 'DESIGNATED DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION' NO. 380 VICTORIA ROAD, DRUMMOYNE

MOVED on the motion of Clr Collins, seconded Clr McLaughlin

A MOTION was moved by Clr Ben Collins seconded by Clr Justine McLaughlin that:

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the report be received and noted.

2. That the City of Canada Bay Council be advised that this Council opposes the development application for alterations and additions to the marina berth layout for the following reasons:

   a. The proposed Marina will have adverse impacts on the State listed Gladesville Bridge, the character of the area and the setting of the heritage items within the vicinity through the introduction of 65 new floating berth spaces of varying sizes that increases the number of floating berths from 50 to 115.

   b. The nearby De Burghs Bridge and Burns Bay Road are appurtenant structures and part of the “way” associated with the State Heritage Register (SHR) listed Gladesville Bridge, the impacts on the setting of this item are detrimental. Despite the fact that the expanded marina berths will not be within the SHR curtilage of the Bridge and indicated on State Heritage Register Plan 2625, they will nonetheless be visibly intrusive within the setting of the State Heritage listed Gladesville Bridge.

   c. The proposed Marina will intrude into views to and from the Gladesville Bridge which encompasses a broad radius. It will also intrude on views when travelling along Burns Bay Road in both southbound and northbound directions and will have adverse impacts on the setting of the Bridge and the associated way.

   d. The Visual Impact Assessment fails to analyse the impacts of the proposed marina on the visual curtilage of Gladesville Bridge or identify the type of curtilage pertaining to the subject site and heritage items in the vicinity which are defined in the heritage office guidelines heritage curtilage (1996).

   e. The visual curtilage (Expanded Heritage Curtilage) however is considered to be much greater than the identified curtilage particularly in relation to views to and from the bridge from numerous locations that provides an immediate
setting for Gladesville Bridge and to a greater extent views to and from waterfront properties around Parramatta River that have views of the Gladesville Bridge and the location of the proposed Marina.

f. The proposal is contrary to the aims of Regional Environmental Plan (Sydney Harbour Catchment) 2005.

g. The removal of the slipway facilities from the site will be a retrograde step from a regional point of view in that the demand for ‘working waterfront’ activities will not be able to be satisfied and will increase the demand on existing industrial enterprises around the Harbour which service such necessary facilities associated with vessels.

h. The proposal would not be in the public interest and approval will create an undesirable precedent for other marina expansions throughout Sydney Harbour and particularly west of the Harbour Bridge.

i. No details were provided in the Traffic and Transport Study as to the number of additional employees to be engaged on the extended marina premises and the effects it may have on traffic generation and off street parking demands with substantial ‘valet’ parking not being acceptable for new development.

j. No details have been shown as to the arrangements for the deletion of and retention of a number of swing moorings around the site which would be critical in terms of visual assessment for the heritage impacts on the Gladesville Bridge and its immediate surrounds.

MOVED on the motion of Cllr Williams, seconded Cllr Krassoi

An AMENDMENT was moved by Cllr Ross Williams seconded by Cllr Elizabeth Krassoi that:

Item 4.2 be amended by adding:

3) That Council request that the above submission to Canada Bay Council also express Council’s absolute opposition to the alienation of further open river space which importantly is used for public recreation, noting the principles set out in the Sydney Regional Environmental Plan (Sydney Harbour Catchment) 2005 cl 2 (2), that:

a. Sydney Harbour is to be recognised as a public resource, owned by the public, to be protected for the public good,

b. the public good has precedence over the private good whenever and whatever change is proposed for Sydney Harbour or its foreshores,

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012/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Cllr Williams, seconded Cllr Krassoi

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4.3 DRAFT LOCAL STRATEGIC PLANNING STATEMENT - POST EXHIBITION REPORT

013/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Collins, seconded Clr Miles

1. That Council receives and notes the submissions to the public exhibition of the draft Hunters Hill Local Strategic Planning Statement.

2. That Council endorse the Hunters Hill Local Strategic Planning Statement, February 2020 as amended and submit the document to the Greater Sydney Commission and seek the support of their Assurance Panel.

3. Remove the reference to “Watch Factory”

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4.4 CIRCULAR ECONOMY

014/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Krassoi, seconded Clr McLaughlin

1. That the report be received and noted.

2. That Council endorse the pilot projects proposed to be delivered in partnership with the NSW Circular and the University of New South Wales.

3. That at the conclusion of the pilot projects a further report be presented to Council on the outcomes.

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MOVED on the motion of Clr Williams, seconded Clr Miles

That at 10:26 pm Item 4.7 be brought forward to be discussed prior to Item 4.5.

The MOTION to move item 4.7 was CARRIED.

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4.7 SALE OF PORTION OF UNMADE ROAD ADJACENT TO 45 THE POINT ROAD WOOLWICH

015/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Miles, seconded Clr Williams

1. That Council resolve to make application to close the Road Reserve portion of road adjacent to 45 The Point Road, Woolwich under the NSW Roads Act 1993 and provide the necessary.

2. That once the Road Reserve is closed, Council resolve the Road Reserve be classified as Operational under the Local Government Act 1993.

3. That provided no submissions are received, proceed with the sale of the Road Reserve to the owner of 45 The point Road, Woolwich for the agreed valuation sum.

4. That the purchaser meets all costs associated with the sale.

5. That the Mayor and General Manager be granted Delegated Authority to execute the documentation as required.

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4.5 TARBAN CREEK FLYING-FOX CAMP MANAGEMENT PLAN
A MOTION was moved by Clr Ben Collins seconded by Clr Elizabeth Krassoi that:

RECOMMENDATION
1. That the report be received and noted;
2. That Council endorse the amended Tarban Creek Flying-fox Camp Management Plan (CMP) as attached;
3. That Council write to individuals who made submissions during the exhibition period to advise of the outcome.

Clr ZM Miles left the meeting at 10:28 pm.
Clr ZM Miles returned to the meeting at 10:30 pm.

An AMENDMENT was moved by Clr Ross Williams seconded by Clr Collins that:

1. Council defer Report for Council Staff to consider meaningful and concrete issues that can be applied to Hunters Hill, which are to be clearly identified in a separate table.

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4.6 LEASING OF ROAD RESERVE ADJACENT TO 13 EUHELLA AVE, HUNTERS HILL

A MOTION was moved by Clr Ben Collins seconded by Clr Justine McLaughlin that:

RECOMMENDATION
1. That prior to granting a lease, appropriate notice be provided in accordance with Division 2, Section 154 of the NSW Roads Act 1993 No 33.
2. That provided no submissions are received, proceed with the lease of the Road Reserve.
3. That a lease be prepared for the Road Reserve and issued to the owner of 13 Euthella Avenue, Hunter’s Hill.
4. That the Road Reserve lease be for a five (5) year period from the date of its execution for a sum of $20,000 per annum (excluding GST) subject to annual CPI adjustments.
5. That the Lessee meets all legal costs associated with the Road Reserve lease.
6. That the Mayor and General Manager be granted Delegated Authority to
execute the documentation as required.

MOVED on the motion of Clr Miles, seconded Clr Collins

An AMENDMENT was moved by Clr Zac Miles seconded by Clr Ben Collins that:

That the lease term be amended to three (3) years, with two (2) x one (1) year options.

016/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Collins, seconded Clr McLaughlin

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4. That the Road Reserve lease term be for three (3) years, with two (2) x one (1) year Options from the date of its execution for a sum of $20,000 per annum (excluding GST) subject to annual CPI adjustments.

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6. That the Mayor and General Manager be granted Delegated Authority to execute the documentation as required.

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Item - 4.7 Sale of portion of unmade road adjacent to 45 The Point Road Woolwich - has been moved to another part of the document.

MOVED on the motion of Clr Sanderson, seconded Clr Krassoi

That Items 4.8 to 4.21 be resolved in a block, excluding Item 4.12 and Item 4.19.

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4.8 DELEGATION TO MAYOR & GENERAL MANAGER DURING CHRISTMAS/NEW

017/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Krassoi, seconded Clr McLaughlin
That this report be received and noted.

4.9 SUMMARY OF COUNCIL INVESTMENTS AS AT 30 NOVEMBER 2019 AND 31 DECEMBER 2019

018/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Krassoi, seconded Clr McLaughlin
That the report be received and noted.

4.10 SUMMARY OF COUNCIL INVESTMENTS AS AT 31 JANUARY 2020

019/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Krassoi, seconded Clr McLaughlin
That the report be received and noted.

4.11 REPORT OF LEGAL MATTERS JANUARY 2020

020/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Krassoi, seconded Clr McLaughlin
That the report be received and noted.

4.12 MINUTES OF CONSERVATION ADVISORY PANEL MEETING HELD 20 NOVEMBER 2019

021/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Williams, seconded Clr Krassoi
That the report be received and noted.

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4.13 MINUTES OF CONSERVATION ADVISORY PANEL MEETING HELD 11 DECEMBER 2019

022/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Sanderson, seconded Clr Krassoi
That the report be received and noted.
4.14 MINUTES OF THE AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON 27 NOVEMBER 2019

023/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Sanderson, seconded Clr Krassoi
That the Minutes be received and noted.

4.15 MINUTES OF THE GLADESVILLE MAIN STREET COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 21 NOVEMBER 2019

024/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Sanderson, seconded Clr Krassoi
1. That the Minutes of the Gladesville Main Street Committee Meeting of 21 November 2019 be received and noted.
2. That consultation about parking time limits in the Council owned Cowell Street Car Park be considered as part of an area-wide parking strategy.
3. That the Gladesville Main Street Committee be involved in any consultations about parking limits in the Council owned Cowell Street Car Park.

4.16 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY IN DECEMBER 2019 AND JANUARY 2020

025/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Sanderson, seconded Clr Krassoi
That the report be received and noted.

4.17 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED BY THE DEVELOPMENT CONTROL UNIT IN DECEMBER 2019

026/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Sanderson, seconded Clr Krassoi
That the report be received and noted.

4.18 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED BY THE LOCAL PLANNING PANEL IN DECEMBER 2019

027/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Sanderson, seconded Clr Krassoi
That the report be received and noted.
4.19 MINUTES OF THE BUSHLAND MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON 21 OCTOBER 2019

028/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Collins, seconded Clr Williams
That the report be received and noted.

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4.20 COUNCILLOR BRIEFING: 4 NOVEMBER 2019

029/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Williams, seconded Clr Krassoi
That the report be received and noted.

4.21 COUNCILLOR BRIEFING: 9 DECEMBER 2019

030/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Williams, seconded Clr Krassoi
That the report be received and noted.
MOVED on the motion of Clr Miles, seconded Clr McLaughlin

A MOTION was moved by Clr Zac Miles seconded by Clr Justine McLaughlin that:
Council write to SES to thank them for their assistance and response to recent weather events.

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GENERAL BUSINESS

031/20 RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Miles, seconded Clr McLaughlin
That Council write to the SES to thank them for their response to the recent weather events.
QUESTIONS WITH OR WITHOUT NOTICE

7.1 GROUND "OPEN / CLOSED" ALERTS

Justine McLaughlin asked the following question without notice:

It might already be part of Council’s practice, but could Council ensure that wet weather alters / “grounds open or closed” alerts for all Municipal Grounds are published on our website and across our social media networks in real time as much as possible.

Council is in the process of moving its website from a hosted server to the cloud.

- One of the changes also being made to the website is an announcement banner
  - Council will then be able to update major closures
- The sports field closures are communicated via the website and social media.
- The information is fed from a file in the drive that Council staff update.
  

7.2 WOOLWICH BATHS – LOCK OUT

Zac Miles asked the following question without notice:

Please see the attached letter from Mr. Romandi regarding the unexpected closure of Woolwich baths on 23/12/2019 could we please have a schedule of opening and closing times for the baths so that Councillors are able to assess whether this timetable needs amendment.

Council responded to Mr Romandi’s letter regarding the opening times advising that Council has kept the gates open and is looking to:

- Amend the hours of use from sunrise to sunset; and
- Seek assistance from a local resident to assist in opening and closing the gates (as has occurred in the past) when Council’s rangers are unable to do so.

7.3 TRAFFIC COMMITTEE – MARY STREET HUNTERS HILL

Ross Williams asked the following question without notice:

Could traffic counts be provided for Mary Street over the last 30 years. Can this be made available to the Public

Councillors were provided with traffic counts for Mary Street and Manning Street. This information can be made available to the public upon submission of a request for information form (found on Council’s website).

CONCLUSION

The meeting concluded at 10:54pm.

I confirm that these Minutes are a true and accurate record of Ordinary Meeting No. 4475 held on 24 February 2020.

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Councillor Jim Sanderson  Lisa Miscamble
DEPUTY MAYOR  GENERAL MANAGER
ITEM NO : 2.1

SUBJECT : ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE EFFORTS OF THE SES DURING THE RECENT STORMS

STRATEGIC OUTCOME : COUNCIL ENCOURAGES A SENSE OF BELONGING AND CONNECTION TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

ACTION : SUPPORT AND FACILITATE COMMUNITY EVENTS/PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES THAT ENCOURAGE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

REPORTING OFFICER : MARK BENNETT

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Mayoral Minute is to acknowledge the efforts of the SES during the recent storms.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received and noted.

REPORT

During the weekend of February 7 to 9 and during the week of February 18, 2020, Hunters Hill experienced severe storms, with a significant area of the municipality experiencing fallen trees, water inundation, building damage and power outages.

NSW SES Hunters Hill Unit were on hand to respond quickly and effectively.

The SES reported in total of both events there were 101 jobs logged in Hunters Hill and most of these requests for assistance were completed with 48 hours.

The Hunters Hill SES volunteers worked an extraordinary 400+ hours during this time. We would like to thank those who are self-employed for giving up their time and employers allowing their employees time off to assist.

NSW SES Hunters Hill Unit Commander Louise Bertoni advised that most of the work her unit performed included removal of trees from roads, pools and footpaths, tarping roofs, and securing windows with silicone. The Unit also assisted local nursing homes with sandbagging and securing property and the safety of residents.

Council’s Works team worked solidly to clear fallen trees and branches and supported the efforts of the local SES and other emergency services.

NSW SES is a volunteer-based organisation that works with communities to prepare and respond to severe weather events.

We thank those people who volunteer their time for the work that you do in Hunters Hill to keep our community safe.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments to this report
ITEM NO : 3.1

SUBJECT : MOTION TO DO A SUBMISSION TO THE INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF THE SYDNEY HARBOUR FEDERATION TRUST

STRATEGIC OUTCOME : COUNCIL HAS WELL PLANNED ACCESSIBLE FORESHORE ACCESS

ACTION : CONTINUE TO ADVOCATE TO IMPROVE FORESHORE ACCESS AND BOATING FACILITIES

REPORTING OFFICER : JIM SANDERSON

Ref:448910

We the undersigned Councillors wish to move the following Notice of Motion at Ordinary Meeting 4476 on 9 March 2020:

Clr Jim Sanderson  Clr Ross Williams

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Hunter’s Hill Council make a submission to the Independent Review of the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust, noting:

   a. That Council advocates that the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust (Harbour Trust) should continue to operate under existing legislation to deliver the objectives spelt out in s 6 of the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust Act 2001 (Cth);

   b. That regardless of the outcome of the Review, it is essential that legislation continues to prohibit in perpetuity the sale of any land currently held by the Harbour Trust;

   c. That, as most contamination of Harbour Trust land would have occurred during its use by (or in support of) Australian defence forces, appropriate rehabilitation of the lands should be fully funded by the Australian Government; and

   d. That, Hunter’s Hill Council supports the short-term recommendations of the Harbour Trust, made in its Submission to The Independent Review, being that the following Government support be provided for:

      i. Ongoing operational financial support and expanded resourcing capabilities (increase to Average Staffing Levels) to deal with the shortfall between Harbour Trust revenue and efficient operating costs.

      ii. One-off funding to address the most pressing backlog maintenance obligations. The funds will be used to deliver necessary overdue asset renewal works, major works to reduce health and safety risks to visitors, volunteers, tenants, and staff across our sites, as well as essential major stabilisation work to address deteriorated heritage assets.

      iii. Funding to enable the Harbour Trust to develop business cases for Cockatoo Island (Wareamah) and North Head Sanctuary, in cooperation with the NSW Government.
2. That as far as possible, the submission include the wording provided in the Draft Response to the Independent review of the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust, attached to this motion.

That Hunter’s Hill Council acknowledges and supports the submissions made to this review by the Hunter’s Hill trust and Mosman Council.

That the report be received and noted.

BACKGROUND

Although the Preamble to the *Sydney Harbour Federation Trust Act 2001* (Cth) (the *Act*) envisages ‘the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust as a transitional body to manage the land and facilitate its return in good order’, the *Act* has already been amended to extend the end of operation of the Harbour Trust from 2011 to 2033.

Section 6 of the *Act* sets out the objects of the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust (Harbour Trust), which are:

- (a) to ensure that management of Trust land contributes to enhancing the amenity of the Sydney Harbour region;
- (b) to protect, conserve and interpret the environmental and heritage values of Trust land;
- (c) to maximise public access to Trust land;
- (d) to establish and manage suitable Trust land as a park on behalf of the Commonwealth as the national government;
- (e) to co-operate with other Commonwealth bodies that have a connection with any Harbour land in managing that land;
- (f) to co-operate with New South Wales, affected councils and the community in furthering the above objects.

Former defence sites around the foreshores of Sydney Harbour, including Woolwich Dock and Parklands and Cockatoo Island, are vested in the Harbour Trust.

Section 24(1) of the *Act* provides that:

The Trust must not sell or otherwise transfer the freehold interest in:

- (a) any land mentioned in Schedule 1; or
- (b) land identified in a plan as having significant environmental or heritage values;

unless:

- (c) the sale or transfer is to the Commonwealth, New South Wales or an affected council; and
- (d) the instrument under which the sale or transfer occurs includes a condition that the land not be sold or otherwise transferred other than to the Commonwealth, New South Wales or an affected council.

With respect to funding, in its *Submission to The Independent Review*, the Harbour Trust noted:
Over its formative years the Harbour Trust was generously endowed with in excess of $165 million for the rehabilitation of its lands. Since then, over $75 million further has been committed to the remediation and renewal of the heavily contaminated Sub Base Platypus, and $10 million for works at Middle Head. These funds, supported by ongoing revenue generated by the reactivation of the sites, have facilitated the transformation of these places over the past two decades.

The Harbour Trust has been judicious in its prioritisation of tasks but is now reaching a point where we are unable to undertake further restoration works, particularly at Cockatoo Island (Wareamah) and North Head Sanctuary, or to properly maintain restored assets.  

The Annual Snapshot provided in the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust Annual Report 2018–19 gives an insight into the Harbour Trust’s work, with Statistics taken from July 2018 – June 2019, revealing:

- Number of Visits 1,870,000
- Number of Tenancies 165
- 90% of Land Open to the Public
- 145ha Iconic Land on Sydney Harbour
- 10 Sites in Total
- $18m Earned Annual Revenue
- 74% Adaptive Reuse of Built Assets with Potential For Adaptive Reuse
- 7 Public Sports Facilities
- 29,500 Volunteer Hours

The Review

On 30 October 2019 the Minister for the Environment, the Hon Sussan Ley, announced an independent review of the Harbour Trust.

The Minister appointed Ms Carolyn McNally and Ms Erin Flaherty to undertake the Independent Review. The review has involved four public forums, some of which unfortunately clashed with Council events including an Ordinary Meeting of Council. However, the forums have been attended by a number of residents of the Hunter’s Hill LGA.

Public Forum held on 18 February 2020

The most recent fourth public forum, held on 18 February 2020 was also attended by Cllr Jim Sanderson.

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At this forum, the Minister said the Review would recognise Indigenous values and would not presume to know more than locals. The Minister indicated that she wants to see Harbour Trust lands remain in public hands for generations to come.

Other discussion included:

- An explanation from the reviewers that the intention was to ultimately transfer lands back to NSW or the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (cf the Preamble to the Act);
- An explanation from the reviewers that land at North Head was transferred to the Harbour Trust but would revert to NSW in 2033 hence the extension of end of operation of the Harbour Trust from 2011 to 2033 however no further funds were provided to perform this additional remediation work;
- Confirmation that the two sites requiring the most remediation work were North Head and Cockatoo Island;
- Views were expresses that: The Harbour Trust should continue; The Harbour Trust Land should remain in Commonwealth hands; and existing legislation should remain in place;
- A claim of uncertainty particularly from tenants was refuted by a former Harbour Trust Board Member who did not find 25 year leases an impediment to appropriate development;
- A view that preservation of heritage required commercial partnerships did not extend to residential or hotel development that was supported by no-one;
- The community wants to be included in particular volunteers;
- Mr Phillip Jenkin noted that the Act and its Preamble created a Trust charged with the responsibility ‘to conserve and preserve land in the Sydney Harbour region for the benefit of present and future generations of Australians’, which makes provision, at s 59(1), for payment ‘to the Trust such money as is appropriated by the Parliament’, while the Act is silent on the notion of the Trust being self-funding. Mr Jenkin contended that in combination this creates an obligation on the Australian Government to properly fund the Trust to perform its work.

Electronic polls of those attending the forum found that 91% believed the Harbour Trust should continue as its own entity while 51% believed the roll of the Harbour Trust should be expanded to manage other significant foreshore public assets.

**A Response from Hunter’s Hill Council**

The Local Government Area of Hunter’s Hill, is one of a number of LGAs that is home to a Harbour Trust site. The LGA of Hunter’s Hill is also a near neighbour of the National and World Heritage listed Cockatoo Island, with which the district has a long historic connection.
It is essential that we respond to this review supporting the continuation of the Harbour Trust, properly funded by the Australian Government to deliver the objectives set out in the Act and Management Plans.

**Reference Material**

Terms of Reference, Review of the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust

Independent review of the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust: Public consultation paper

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. HH Trust Sub SHFT Review 12.2019
2. Mosman Submission on Sydney Harbour Trust Review December 2019
3. Draft Response to the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust Review
SHFT Review,
GPO Box 787,
Canberra, ACT 2601
22 December 2019

Sydney Harbour Federation Trust (Harbour Trust) Review

I wish to submit the following comments on behalf of the Hunters Hill Trust.

It is our view that the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust has been fulfilling its role in rehabilitating and managing the sites under its care in a satisfactory manner since its formation in 2001. While we understand the concern that significant resources are now required for the next stage of extensive capital works, and the Commonwealth government is also seeking feedback on potential alternative means of governance and funding into the future, we believe that the current arrangements should remain in place in perpetuity.

We would wish to see the Commonwealth continue to fund and support the Harbour Trust as custodians of these sites, fully protecting, interpreting and respecting their cultural and environmental values, beyond 2033 and under the existing legislation.

Future funding:

While ongoing funding will be required to improve and maintain the various sites and the Harbour Trust is keen to seek partnerships to provide longer term viability, this will need careful management. It is not realistic to expect the SHFT to become self-funding. Future engagement with commercial interests must continue to reflect the inherent values of the specific sites within the context of their historical purpose and their national as well as international significance.

In this regard, we believe that a lease initially of 20 years is appropriate to encourage investment and sustain approved and suitable projects which respect heritage while providing visitor enjoyment and amenity.

Future governance:

There would be clear benefits in establishing a single manager across Sydney Harbour to encompass all built and natural heritage lands. However, as it stands, we do not believe in handing over some or all the SHFT sites to the NSW government. We consider that both heritage protection and environmental conservation have not rated highly in terms of the State government’s priorities for some time. We would be concerned that the strategies and key objectives within the current SHFT
management model would not be maintained or fully implemented and the Harbour Trust’s assets would become at risk through privatisation.

While ideally it would be preferable for the NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service to have responsibility for sites where there is important native biodiversity to be enhanced and managed as well as fauna to be protected, such as at North Head Sanctuary and Headland Park, their lack of resources will limit capacity. Unless and until the former NPWS funding, expertise and staffing levels are fully restored to allow the required management long term, we would not be in favour of a handover to NSW government.

The sites:

The Trust has most immediate connection and knowledge of Cockatoo Island and the Woolwich Dock and Parklands. The latter appears to be managed appropriately with a viable meeting place, restaurant and function space that has great appeal and is popular with a range of visitors.

The National and World Heritage listed Cockatoo Island with its indigenous and convict history, as well as later industrial significance, is being shown to good effect but clearly much more can and needs to be done. Its use for the Biennale has been successful as a showcase for contemporary arts and installations. It now has good access for visitors via ferry services but there are some safety/disability issues to be managed across the site.

Conclusions:

The Hunters Hill Trust believes strongly that the portfolio of Harbour Trust sites should remain permanently in public hands governed by a Federal agency and protected by its own Act as well as the *Environment Protection & Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (currently also under review, hopefully to be strengthened).

The sites are an extraordinary asset for Sydney’s residents and its many visitors and for Australia as a whole. Funding from the Commonwealth government via the taxpayer is fully justified, supplemented by revenue from appropriate commercial and business investment that adheres to established values under the *Sydney Harbour Federation Trust Act 2001*.

Given its importance and the considerable expense of running the Review, it is disappointing how few seem to know it is occurring, from the community level to local government, including my own Council. An extension to the consultation period and greater awareness of the process are warranted.

On behalf of the Hunters Hill Trust, I attended the first of three public forums which were held in November. I was only aware belatedly of this consultation process occurring and there was little time to seek background material concerning the intent of the Review. I feel the forum would have been more productive had this been possible. Additionally, the venue for those attending the Cockatoo Island meeting had poor acoustics and limited space making it difficult to hear presentations and the contributions of others on the matters raised, which was unfortunate.
This submission is of necessity brief, but the Hunters Hill Trust would be interested in participating in any ongoing consultation relating to this Review.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Brigid Dowsett, Vice-President, Hunters Hill Trust
4 December 2019

Carolyn McNally and Erin Flaherty
Sydney Harbour Federation Trust Review
GPO Box 787
CANBERRA ACT 2601

Dear Carolyn McNally and Erin Flaherty

Re: Independent review of the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust

I am writing in response to your invitation to provide input into the review of the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust (the Harbour Trust). The review was considered by Council at its meeting on 3 December 2019 when it was resolved to endorse this submission.

Mosman Council is a key stakeholder of the Harbour Trust, not only as a valued collaborative partner but also as the manager/lessee of land controlled by the Trust, including Georges Heights Oval, Middle Head Oval and the Mosman Drill Hall precinct. In the twenty years since the work of the Harbour Trust began the land now known as the Headland Park has been transformed, providing public access, new and improved recreational and cultural opportunities, certainty of tenure, and conservation of heritage assets. This land is significant and important to people, as well as providing habitat for many flora and fauna species.

Council and the Harbour Trust have developed a good working relationship resulting in the delivery of many projects that have benefited the community, such as the restoration and enhancement of the Drill Hall precinct and the joint delivery of numerous cultural initiatives. Council has been an active participant in working with the Harbour Trust, providing input on its plans of management and other projects to help ensure good outcomes.

With such significant investment of time and money, and recognising the high level of community interest in the future of the Harbour Trust, Council is well placed to provide input into your review—particularly as it relates to land at Headland Park. It is the Council's view that given the Harbour Trust's achievements and management of the land, it should continue to operate to complete rehabilitation of sites and re-purpose them as appropriate, and should be funded as necessary to undertake this work. This acknowledges the provision in the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust Act 2001 (the Act) for the Harbour Trust to operate until at least 2033. It is considered that the Harbour Trust should continue as an ongoing entity as it is best placed to manage the diverse range of activities it is responsible for.

The terms of reference for your review include four matters in particular that you will advise government on—governance, completion of outstanding work, partnerships and community aspirations. The next section of this submission will address each of these:
1. Governance

The current governance arrangements for the Harbour Trust sites and the operation of the Trust itself are quite unique. They recognise the special significance of the sites as well as community and Government expectations around the management and ownership of the sites. The overall Comprehensive Plan and site specific plans of management have provided a framework that gives certainty to the future direction of Trust land as well as a structure to the work of the Harbour Trust in implementing the plans. It is important to recognise the extensive community input that the Trust invites as well as the input given by the community in developing these plans. This relationship takes time to build and should not be dismantled by legislative amendments without careful consideration.

The Act confers powers on the Harbour Trust in order for it to carry out its functions. These powers are more extensive than those afforded to local government and this contributes to the effectiveness of the Trust in delivering timely outcomes. Co-operating with councils is a legislated object of the Harbour Trust, and it continues to do this with Mosman Council. Successful negotiation on the management of sites, such as the Drill Hall precinct is testament to this.

This legislative framework together with the approvals and planning process that sit outside the NSW system for which surrounding land is subject to, could be seen as anomalous, however, it is considered that it properly recognises the national historic importance of these sites to indigenous Australians and to the defence of Australia.

Regardless of the outcome of this review, it is imperative that legislation prohibits, in perpetuity, the sale of any Harbour Trust land.

2. Completion of rehabilitation of sites

It is considered that the Harbour Trust should receive adequate funding to enable it to complete its mission, including the rehabilitation of outstanding sites. It should also be provided with sufficient resources to continue with its strategic planning for all its land, including updating the plans of management and the Comprehensive Plan. The rehabilitation, conservation and management of these significant sites should not be reliant on the Harbour Trust self-funding its operations. A sustainable operational model that includes sites being self-funded is a difficult one to maintain.

The Trust aims to balance financial return with public access and ownership of the sites, as well as conservation, rehabilitation, improving amenity and other non-tangible elements which are difficult to place a monetary value on.

3. Partnership opportunities

Mosman Council routinely partners with various organisations and individuals, including State and Federal agencies, private industry, philanthropists and the community, to deliver arts, cultural and leisure activities in the local area. Cultural partnerships with the Harbour Trust and others at Headland Park have delivered some exceptional results for residents and visitors to Mosman in recent years and there are opportunities to further expand cultural and artistic partnerships under the management of the Harbour Trust.

As you are aware Headland Park is a significant place of documented Aboriginal heritage and occupation. It is nationally significant as the site of Bungaree’s Farm, representing the first return of land to Aboriginal people in Australia by colonial authorities in 1851. Council has worked in partnership with the Harbour Trust on several major site specific contemporary arts projects, with Aboriginal artists, curators, historians and activists interpreting the site of Bungaree’s Farm and its legacy. Council supports the ongoing activation and interpretation of Headland Park as a site of Aboriginal significance through partnership arrangements.
4. Community aspirations

The establishment of Headland Park was the result of a community campaign to protect the land from development. It has been the subject of Council and the local community’s opposition to some proposals in more recent times which demonstrates the continued passion that surrounds maintaining the land in public ownership for public access.

Engaging with the community has been a pillar of the Harbour Trust’s work. Ensuring community aspirations for the Trust’s sites are properly considered should be reinforced in legislation that governs the management of these sites.

Conclusion

While it is Council’s view that the Harbour Trust should continue operating, if in the future the Government decided to hand over land at Headland Park to others to manage the following points should be considered:

- Headland Park is a significant place of documented Aboriginal heritage and occupation. Most notably, Headland Park is nationally significant as the site of Bungaree’s Farm, representing the first return of land to Aboriginal people in Australia by colonial authorities. There are multiple traditional sites of significance within the park, and these sites should be conserved, respected and interpreted.

- The built environment of Headland Park provides a direct link to the former long-term use of the site for military purposes, and, although the buildings have been adapted for other uses, provides a type of living museum of this military heritage. Council continues to work with the Harbour Trust on arts projects exploring the military heritage of the area (most notably the Camouflage Fuel Tank site) and supports continued community access and enjoyment of this living museum of restored military buildings and facilities.

- Headland Park provides for the access and public enjoyment of some of the most precious natural landscapes in Australia. Complementing the adjoining Sydney Harbour National Park the network of walking tracks and viewing areas provide expansive views of the Harbour entrance and access to bushland areas. Mosman Council supports continued community access and enjoyment of the Headland Park environment and sees it as a key link in Sydney’s Coastal Walk network.

- There are other assets on lands managed by the Harbour Trust at Headland Park that are significant in terms of heritage value and/or their contribution to present-day arts and cultural practice. These include the Terminal 10 buildings, the Georges Heights Tunnels, the Landslip Gallery and Artists Precinct, and numerous public art installations. Careful ongoing planning and management in relation to these assets is essential and Council seeks to be part of ongoing conversations regarding their future.

- Mosman Council currently leases or otherwise manages certain lands in Headland Park including Middle Head Oval and surrounds, Georges Heights Oval and surrounds, and the Mosman Drill Hall Precinct. The Council has a sound track record of effective management of these sites and has made significant financial investments, for example construction and ongoing management of Marie Bashir Mosman Sports Centre, upgrade of community and amenities buildings, provision of new sports courts and oval maintenance and renewal. In relation to these sites, at least, Council is well equipped to accept more permanent tenure.
• There are other specific sites and facilities within Headland Park for which Council would be interested in discussing future tenure or management arrangements, including but not limited to the artists precinct.

• Any transition period should be of sufficient time to allow for new governance arrangements, implementation of appropriate approval processes, adequate funding model and sufficient management handover.

• The cost implications to Council of maintaining not just Headland Park assets but other infrastructure that supports visitation to the site (including local roads, traffic and parking management) should be given due consideration.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input to the review. Council would like to maintain an open dialogue regarding the future of the Harbour Trust and ensuring ongoing public access and ownership of all land currently under its management.

Yours sincerely

Dominic Johnson
GENERAL MANAGER
Draft Response to the Independent review of the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust

Hunter’s Hill Council is a key stakeholder of the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust (Harbour Trust) as the Council managed Clarkes Point Reserve, Morts Reserve and Kellys Bush together with the Harbour Trust managed Woolwich Dock and Parklands make up ‘part of a unified network of foreshore open space’ in an important heritage precinct of the Hunters Hill Conservation Area No 1 – The Peninsula.

The Hunter’s Hill Local Government Area is also a near neighbour of the National and World Heritage listed Cockatoo Island, with long historic links to the Island. Hunter’s Hill Council would wish to see the Island continue to be managed by the Harbour Trust in accordance with the Aims of the Cockatoo Island Management Plan 2017.

Hunter’s Hill Council makes the following points under headings corresponding to the matters the Review will advise on, as listed in the terms of reference:

Arrangements for Future Governance of the Sites

Although the Preamble to the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust Act 2001 (Cth) (the Act) envisages ‘the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust as a transitional body to manage the land and facilitate its return in good order’, the Act has already been amended to extend the end of operation of the Harbour Trust from 2011 to 2033.

The Harbour Trust recognised that: ‘To achieve the best outcome, the Trust will allow the sites to evolve gradually [so] the plan has to provide a framework for making decisions over time.’ Accordingly, there remain important decisions to be made in some areas as to what ‘will be of most benefit to all Australians now and for the future.’

The Harbour Trust also has substantial work yet to be completed particularly in relation to rehabilitation of sites such as Cockatoo Island.

The existing Comprehensive Plan and site specific Plans of Management have created a sound framework where ‘Consultation with the community will continue as a hallmark attribute of the Trust’s approach to implementation, as will the recognition of the harbour’s national significance.’

It is important to recognise the extensive consultative relationship between the Harbour Trust and the community. Such relationships take time to build and should not be dismantled.

Accordingly, Hunter’s Hill Council advocates that the Harbour Trust should continue to operate under existing legislation to deliver the objectives spelt out in s 6 of the Act. There are also clear benefits in having a single manager of these Sydney Harbour foreshore sites.

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Regardless of the outcome of the Review, it is essential that legislation continues to prohibit in perpetuity the sale of any land currently held by the Harbour Trust.

**Pathways for Completing Rehabilitation of Trust Land**

It is not realistic for the rehabilitation and conservation of these significant sites to rely on the Harbour Trust self-funding its operations.

Although Cockatoo Island was leased to various ship building companies from 1933 to 1992, most of the ship building, fitout and repair work performed on the Island was for the Royal Australian Navy. Unless former lessees can be held to account for some part of the remediation of these sites, which seems unlikely, the Australian Government should fully fund all rehabilitation work required on Cockatoo Island as it should for other of Harbour Trust land.

**Opportunities to Enhance Partnerships**

By following the *Management Plan – Hunters Hill No.1 Woolwich Dock and Parklands*, the Harbour Trust in co-operation with Hunter’s Hill Council has delivered an outstanding outcome in this important precinct.

The Harbour Trust must be appropriately funded to allow implementation of the *Cockatoo Island Management Plan 2017*. While partnerships with appropriate entities would be welcome, such partnerships must fully be compatible with the Management Plan and must be subject to community consultation.

Not funding the Harbour Trust appropriately, risks needing to rely on inappropriate partnerships that could deliver funding at the cost of inappropriate development of Harbour Trust land.

**Arrangements to Ensure Community Aspirations for Trust Sites are Properly Considered**

Community engagement has been an outstanding feature of the Harbour Trust’s work.

Hunter’s Hill Council advocates that the Harbour Trust should continue to operate under existing legislation to ensure this community engagement continues.

In the event that Harbour Trust sites are handed over to a different manager, it will be difficult to maintain the current level of community engagement.

**Support for Harbour Trust Recommendations**

Additionally, Hunter’s Hill Council supports the short-term recommendations of the Harbour Trust, made in its *Submission to The Independent Review*, being that the following Government support be provided:

Recommendation 1: Ongoing operational financial support and expanded resourcing capabilities (increase to Average Staffing Levels) to deal with the shortfall between Harbour Trust revenue and efficient operating costs.

Recommendation 2: One-off funding to address the most pressing backlog maintenance obligations. The funds will be used to deliver necessary overdue asset renewal works, major works to reduce health and safety risks to visitors, volunteers, tenants, and staff across our sites, as well as essential major stabilisation work to address deteriorated heritage assets.
Recommendation 3: Funding to enable the Harbour Trust to develop business cases for Cockatoo Island (Wareamah) and North Head Sanctuary, in cooperation with the NSW Government.
ITEM NO: 3.2

SUBJECT: MOTION TO INVESTIGATE A SENIORS PARKING SCHEME IN THE HUNTERS HILL VILLAGES

STRATEGIC OUTCOME: PARKING WILL SUPPORT THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITY

ACTION: DEVELOP PARKING MANAGEMENT PLANS IN COMMERCIAL, VILLAGE AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT ZONES

REPORTING OFFICER: BEN COLLINS

Ref: 448843

We the undersigned Councillors wish to move the following Notice of Motion at Ordinary Meeting 4476 on 9 March 2020:

Clr Ben Collins
Clr Zac Miles

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council Investigate the implementation of a Seniors Parking Scheme in the villages of Hunters Hill LGA;

2. That Council bring a report back to Council identifying where the scheme would be suitable and most needed;

3. That Council consult the community on a Seniors Parking Scheme.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments to this report.
NOTICES OF MOTION INCLUDING 
RESCISSION MOTIONS  

9 March 2020

**ITEM NO** : 3.3

**SUBJECT** : MOTION TO INVESTIGATE CCTV OPTIONS

**STRATEGIC OUTCOME** : HUNTERS HILL MUNICIPALITY IS A PLACE WHERE PEOPLE FEEL SAFE

**ACTION** : INFORM RESIDENTS ABOUT COMMUNITY SAFETY AND ENCOURAGE RESIDENTS TO REPORT ANY SAFETY ISSUES

**REPORTING OFFICER** : ZAC MILES

Ref:448845

We the undersigned Councillors wish to move the following Notice of Motion at Ordinary Meeting 4476 on 9 March 2020:

Clr Zac Miles  
Clr Ben Collins

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That Council obtain quotes for the installation of CCTV cameras at Woolwich Baths in light of ongoing incidents over the summer period;

2. That Council work with the Hunters Hill Sailing Club to obtain quotes on similar options to install CCTV at the Clubhouse due to antisocial behaviour on their dock, slipway and in the adjoining park;

3. That Council investigate State and Federal funding opportunities for installation of these cameras;

4. That Council bring back a report to the meeting on 23 March 2020 with options available for Council’s consideration.

**ATTACHMENTS**

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We the undersigned Councillors wish to move the following Notice of Motion at Ordinary Meeting 4476 on 9 March 2020:

Clr Ben Collins  
Clr Zac Miles

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That Council investigate the provision of a Kitchen Caddy compost service to residents of Hunters Hill to reduce food waste sent to landfill; and

2. That Council investigate ways to provide commercial food operators with a similar service.

**ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments to this report.
We the undersigned Councillors wish to move the following Notice of Motion at Ordinary Meeting 4476 on 9 March 2020:

Clr Ben Collins  
Clr Zac Miles

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council investigate the installation of solar panels on all Council buildings; and

2. A report be brought back for consideration by Council.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments to this report.
ITEM NO : 3.6

SUBJECT : MOTION TO ENSURE TRANSPARENCY IN PRESS COMMUNICATIONS

STRATEGIC OUTCOME : COUNCIL IS RECOGNISED AND RESPECTED AS AN OPEN AND TRANSPARENT ORGANISATION

ACTION : ENGAGE OUR COMMUNITY IN CONVERSATION AND PROVIDE TIMELY AND ACCURATE INFORMATION INCLUDING MAXIMISING SOCIAL MEDIA, ADVERTISING, PRINT AND FACE-TO-FACE ENGAGEMENT OPTIONS

REPORTING OFFICER : BEN COLLINS

We the undersigned Councillors wish to move the following Notice of Motion at Ordinary Meeting 4476 on 9 March 2020:

Clr Ben Collins  
Clr Zac Miles

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council make all future press releases available on the Hunters Hill Council website exactly as issued; and

2. That Councillors are notified when a new press release is issued.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments to this report.
ITEM NO : 4.1

SUBJECT : DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2020

STRATEGIC OUTCOME : MAINTAIN THE CHARACTER AND AMENITY OF HUNTERS HILL

ACTION : ALL BUILDING WORK COMPLIES WITH COUNCIL REGULATIONS

REPORTING OFFICER : STEVE KOUREPIS

The purpose of this report is to advise of Development Applications determined under delegated authority for the period January and February 2020.

RECOMMENDATION
That the report be received and noted.

DELEGATED AUTHORITY
In accordance with Section 327 of the Local Government Act 1993, authority is hereby delegated to the Director, Development and Regulatory Services to exercise and perform those powers, duties and functions in line with the authority and limitations of that position. These include approval and refusal of Development Applications as per Section 10 of Hunter's Hill Council Delegations of Authority.

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- Mature specimens in good/fair health
- Fair/poor structural condition previous lopping and loss of terminal leaders has impacted tree form and resulted in decay in large diameter branches
- Moderate/low landscape significance
- Supressing adjacent better-quality Magnolia
- Applicant proposes tree removal to provide additional space for the Magnolia, plant screening trees/hedge and undertake landscaping work in the vicinity of the trees

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**Proposal**

New single storey addition to existing house – s4.55 – formalise construction alteration from the approved timber roof trusses to a conventional timber braced roof frame on the approved single storey rear addition.

**Determination**

Approval

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### Development Application No. DA 2020-1005

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**Proposal**

Removal of one (1) tree

**Determination**

Refuse removal of one (1) *Araucaria columnaris* (Cook Pine).

**Reasons for Refusal**

Tree 1 *Araucaria columnaris* (Cook Pine)

- Mature specimen with moderate landscape significance
- Good health as evidenced by crown density and colouration of foliage
- Moderate phototropic trunk lean resulting from suppression by adjacent tree
- No evidence of root plate movement
- Applicant proposes tree removal as the tree is hazardous
- The Application for tree removal is refused on grounds that the tree appears healthy and in there is no evidence of rootplate instability

**Note:**

- Development works currently being undertaken in the Tree Protection Zone (TPZ)
- The TPZ has a 6m radius measured from the centre of the trunk
- DA Conditions require tree to be retained and protected
- Protection Zone (TPZ)
- Trenching for services has cause some root damage on the compression side of the root plate. All trenches within of the tree are to be excavated by hand and pipes conduits installed below or around roots >25mm
- Existing ground levels within the TPZ area are to be maintained
Development Application No. | DA2019/1073 | Zone | R2
---|---|---|---
Construction Certificate No. | N/A | Notification | Yes
Applicant | Residential Logistics P/L | Value | $759,000
Premises | 62 High Street, Hunters Hill | Landscaped Area | 50%
Classification (BCA) | 1a, 10a, 10b | Date lodged | 12.07.19
Assessing Officer | Shahram Zadgan | Determination Date | 03.02.20
Proposal | Demolish existing structures and construct a new two storey dwelling with inground swimming pool

Determination | Refusal

Reasons for Refusal

1. The proposal does not satisfy the provisions of Section 79(C) of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979 in relation to clauses (1)(a)(iii), (b)(c) and (e).

2. The proposal fails to comply with the aims and objectives statutory controls of Hunters Hill Local Environmental Plan 2012. The excessive bulk and scale of the proposal fails to comply with Part 1, in particular sub-clause 1.2 Aims of Plan, 2 (i) as follows:

   (2) The particular aims of this plan are as follows:

   i. To promote high standards of urban and architectural design quality.

3. The proposal does not comply with the relevant objectives, design parameters and preferred design elements under Part 2 of Hunters Hill Consolidated DCP 2013, in that the proposed building is excessive in bulk and scale and uncharacteristic, and fails to adhere to the urban form characteristics of the Municipality.

Also, the proposal fails to comply with urban form characteristics in relation to scale in that generally buildings in the Municipality are no higher than a large Victorian two storey house.

Development when viewed from the street should be compatible with the character and scale of any existing building to be retained on the site and residential development in the immediate vicinity.

The proposal would result in adverse impacts, as the scale of the proposed building is not compatible with the character of Hunters Hill, in terms of the proposal being obtrusive and not compatible in sympathy with its surroundings.
Determination

Refusal

4. The proposal fails to comply at 3pm mid winter with the general requirements, and objectives stipulated under Part 3.5.2 of the *Development Control Plan 2013*, being that new development must not eliminate more than one third of the existing sunlight to adjacent properties at ground level, measured at 9 am, 12 noon and 3 pm of the winter solstice. The shadow diagrams indicate that at 3pm mid winter, the shadows are cast to the south-west of the subject site and onto the adjoining property, No.64 High Street. The shadowing would affect more than 33% of the recreational open space of the site.

5. An alternate design that enables the retention of Tree 2 Glochidion ferdinandi (Cheese Tree). Design modifications and the detailing of tree sensitive construction methods would be required to enable the retention of Tree 2.

6. The proposal does not meet the objectives of Hunters Hill Consolidated DCP 2013, has a detrimental impact on the existing and desired future character of Hunter’s Hill.

7. Council received two (2) objections, the proposal is contrary to the public interest and would create an undesirable precedent undermining Council’s planning objectives.

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<td>• Early-mature specimens in good health</td>
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### Determination

- Tree is located in close proximity to the neighbour’s dwelling and is likely to cause ongoing issues
- The additional semi-mature Camphor Laurel is not covered by Council’s Tree Management Controls but should also be removed to prevent future issues
- Replacement planting required to offset the loss of canopy resultant from tree removal

The following replacement planting is required:

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**Development Application No.** 2019-1135  
**Zone** R2

**Construction Certificate No.** N/A  
**Notification** Yes

**Applicant** Bruce Hazelwood  
**Value** N/A

**Premises** 4 Foss Street Hunters Hill  
**Landscaped Area** N/A

**Classification (BCA)** N/A  
**Date lodged** 22 Nov 2019

**Assessing Officer** Anna Hopwood Martin Peacock  
**Determination Date** 16 Jan 2020

**Proposal** Removal of one (1) tree

**Determination** Approve removal of one (1) *Callistemon salignus* (Willow Bottlebrush) tree with one (1) replacement tree to be planted.

- Mature specimen in good/fair health
- Previously pruned to remove damaged first order branches which has impacted the form of the tree
- High volumes of epicormic growth developing at pruning wound sites
- Extensive sooty mould on foliage throughout crown
- Powerline running through crown
- Requirement for ongoing powerline clearance pruning will further impact the form of the tree
- Application proposes removal of the tree as it is in poor condition
Determination

- Replacement planting required to offset the loss of canopy resultant from tree removal
- Replacement tree should be a small species which will minimise the requirement for future powerline clearance pruning

The following replacement planting is required:

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Development Application No. 2019-1136  Zone R2
Construction Certificate No. N/A  Notification Yes
Applicant Cathy Bencsik  Value N/A
Premises 24 Church Street Hunters Hill  Landscaped Area N/A
Classification (BCA) N/A  Date lodged 25 Nov 2019
Assessing Officer Anna Hopwood Martin Peacock  Determination Date 16 Jan 2020

Proposal
Pruning of two (2) trees and removal of one (1) tree

Determination
Approve pruning of two (2) trees, Trees 1 & 2 *Camellia asanqua* (Camellia) with Conditions imposed to limit the pruning works.

Approve removal of one (1) tree, Tree 3 *Callistemon viminalis* (Weeping Bottlebrush) with two (2) replacement trees to be planted.

Tree 3 *Callistemon viminalis* (Weeping Bottlebrush)
- Relatively small, late-mature specimen in fair health
- Low landscape significance
- Crown density 75% (approx.)
- Lopped branch stubs with epicormic growth in lower crown
- Application proposes tree removal due to recent repair of damaged sewer pipes
It should be noted that tree roots will generally only enter sewer pipes through an existing break/leaking joint. Where damaged sewer lines are repaired/replaced, future root ingress is unlikely to occur.

Application for tree removal is supported as the tree is a low value specimen with a relatively short Useful Life Expectancy and has been impacted by branch lopping.

Replacement planting required to maintain the canopy cover within the suburb.

The following replacement planting is required:

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Development Application 2019/1049  | Zone    | R2
Construction Certificate No.       | Notification | Yes
Applicant                        | Squillace Architects | Value | $672,100
Premises                        | 8 Herberton Avenue, Hunters Hill | Landscaped Area | 47.4%
Classification (BCA)              | 1a       | Date lodged | 17 May 2019
Assessing Officer                | Kerry Smith                                    | Determination Date | 28 Jan 2020
Proposal                         | Alterations and additions, replacement of carport and swimming pool

'Deferred commencement' Approval.

That the development application No.2019/1049 for the construction of alterations and additions to the heritage listed dwelling be granted a “Deferred commencement” consent pursuant to Section 4.16 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 in respect of No.8 Herberton Avenue, Hunters Hill subject to the following special conditions and standard conditions:

**Schedule No. 1**

1. The proposed sunroom on the southern upper level of the dwelling not being constructed closer than 1.5 metres to the southern side boundary in accordance with clause 3.4.3 sub-clause 2(c) of DCP 2013. Architectural details being provided to Council in two (2) hard copies and on a USB memory stick.
### Determination

2. The proposed carport being setback a minimum of 1 metre from the adjacent front wall of the existing dwelling in accordance with clause 3.6.3 (3)(b) of DCP 2013. Architectural details being provided to Council in two (2) hard copies and on a USB memory stick.

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### Proposal

Removal of two (2) trees

### Determination

Refusal

Reasons for Refusal

That Development Application No. DA 2019-1075 for the removal of two (2) trees located within the property of 29 Mary Street, Hunters Hill be refused on the grounds of insufficient information being provided.

### Development Application No.

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### Applicant

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### Premises

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### Proposal

Rear yard swimming pool and associated works

### Determination

Deferred commencement Approval.

That Development Application No.2019/1112 for a rear yard swimming pool and associated works be granted as a “Deferred commencement” consent pursuant to Section 4.16 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 in respect of No.25 Martin Street, Hunters Hill, subject to the following special conditions and standard conditions:

### Schedule No. 1

The Landscape Plan (prepared by Right Angle Design & Drafting, dwg no P4, dated May 2019, date stamped 14 Oct 2019) shall be amended as follows.

The Landscape Plan should include the following:

- Site boundaries and dimensions surveyed.
- North point and scale.
- Existing and proposed levels.
**Determination**

- Location of all proposed and existing planting delineating existing trees to be retained, removed or transplanted. Trees within 4m of the site boundary should also be accurately plotted.
- A detailed planting schedule including species by botanical and common names, quantities, container sizes and estimated size at maturity.
- Details of planting procedures.
- Details of earthworks including mounding, retaining walls, and planter boxes with details of existing and proposed finished heights for all elements (top and bottom of walls, garden beds, soil levels before and after the landscaping works).

All existing and proposed plantings must ensure compliance with AS 1926. 1-2012 *Part 1: Safety barriers for swimming pools*, which includes new requirements for non-climbable zones.

The landscape proposal for the rear of the site should also address any screening for neighbouring residents.

The Landscape Plan should be submitted to Council for review as a requirement of the Deferred Commencement.

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<td>George &amp; Joanna Staikos</td>
<td>Value</td>
<td>N/A</td>
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<td>12 Prince Edward Parade Hunters Hill</td>
<td>Garden Area</td>
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Reasons for refusal:

That Development Application No. DA 2020-1002 for the proposed removal of one (1) *Melaleuca quinquinervia* (Broadleaved Paperbark) located within the property of 12 Prince Edward Parade, Hunters Hill be refused on grounds that the tree appears healthy and there is no evidence of rootplate instability.

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**ATTACHMENTS**

There were no attachments to this report.
ITEM NO : 4.2

SUBJECT : DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED BY THE DEVELOPMENT CONTROL UNIT IN JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2020

STRATEGIC OUTCOME : MAINTAIN THE CHARACTER AND AMENITY OF HUNTERS HILL

ACTION : ALL BUILDING WORK COMPLIES WITH COUNCIL REGULATIONS

REPORTING OFFICER : STEVE KOUREPIS

PURPOSE
This report provides the outcome of determinations of Development Applications referred to the Development Control Unit (DCU) in January - February 2020.

The role of the Development Control Unit is to determine Development Applications where submissions have been received and/or reviews under Section 8.2 have been requested because a previous application has been refused.

All reports presented to the DCU as shown below are available on the Council’s website http://www.huntershill.nsw.gov.au/dcu.

RECOMMENDATION
That the report be received and noted.

REPORT OF MEETING HELD 22 JANUARY 2020
The table below sets out a summary of the determinations:

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<td>Graphio AM</td>
<td>43 Hillcrest Avenue Hunters Hill</td>
<td>1(a)</td>
<td>29 Oct 2019</td>
<td>Kerry Smith</td>
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Proposal
Alterations and additions to existing dwelling - Section 8.2 - Review of Refusal of Development Application for alterations and additions including ground floor alterations, additional part first floor at the rear, new swimming pool and external works

Determination
The Development Control Unit Committee resolved:

That the s8.2 review of the original refused development application DA 2018/1112 be upheld in respect of development application No.2018/1112 for the construction of alterations and additions to the existing dwelling and be granted a development consent pursuant to Section 4.16 of
the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 in respect of No. 43 Hillcrest Avenue, Gladesville subject to the following special conditions and standard conditions.

Part A

8. An updated landscaping plan being submitted to Council corresponding with the latest set of architectural plans and incorporating one (1) additional canopy tree capable of attaining a minimum mature height of 10 metres. Such detailed information being provided on architectural plans to be submitted to Council prior to the release of any stamped approved plans.

9. The openings to the “stair box” should read as windows - the battening and boarding will not do this - the BASIX measures should be done some other way, such as straight hoods or similar. Such detailed information being provided on architectural plans to be submitted to Council prior to the release of any stamped approved plans.

10. The openings to the end of the box at the landings - a modified north-west, and south east elevations are also required to show this. Such detailed information being provided on architectural plans to be submitted to Council prior to the release of any stamped approved plans.

11. The north-east openings to the “stair box” should read as “windows”. Such detailed information being provided on architectural plans to be submitted to Council prior to the release of any stamped approved plans.

12. The colours of the external materials to be used for the cladding of the rear additions being of a lighter finish to the satisfaction of Council’s Heritage Adviser. Such detailed information being provided on architectural plans to be submitted to Council prior to the release of any stamped approved plans.

REPORT OF MEETING HELD 5 FEBRUARY 2020

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<td>Scott Girard</td>
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<td>10 Milling Street</td>
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<td>Removal of three (3) trees</td>
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Determination

The Development Control Unit Committee resolved:

That Development Application No. DA 2019-1125 for the proposed removal of three (3) *X Cupressocyparis leylandii* (Leyland Cypress) located within the property of 10 Milling Street, Hunters Hill be approved subject to the standard conditions.

The following trees may be removed:

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<th>Location</th>
<th>Comments</th>
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<tr>
<td>Trees 1-3 <em>X Cupressocyparis leylandii</em> (Leyland Cypress)</td>
<td>Front garden</td>
<td>Infected with Cypress Canker</td>
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- Mature specimens planted as a screen/hedge
- Low landscape significance
- The trees are in poor health and exhibit symptoms of Cypress Canker
- Application proposes tree removal due to Cypress Canker infection

The following replacement planting is required:

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<th>Location</th>
<th>Minimum container size at purchase</th>
<th>No. of replacement plants required</th>
<th>Replacement tree Species</th>
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<td>Front garden</td>
<td>45 Litre</td>
<td>3</td>
<td><em>Camellia</em> sp. (Camellia species) or <em>Viburnum odoratissimum</em> (Sweet Viburnum) or <em>Callistemon</em> sp. (Bottlebrush species)</td>
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Note: Please contact Council’s Tree & Landscape Consultant if you would like to nominate an alternate replacement species

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<td>2019/1040</td>
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| Construction Certificate No. | Notification | |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| N/A                          | Yes          |

| Applicant                  | Value       |  |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Simone Conacher            | $850,000    |

| Premises                   | Landscaped Area |  |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| 4 Windeyer Avenue, Gladesville | 51.4%          |

| Classification (BCA) | Date lodged |  |
|----------------------|-------------|
| 1(a) & 10(a)         | 26 Apr 2019 |

| Assessing Officer | Determination Date |  |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| Kerry Smith       | 5 Feb 2020         |
### Proposal
Alterations and two storey additions to existing dwelling plus carport

### Determination
Deferred Commencement Approval.

The Development Control Unit Committee resolved:

That the development application No.2019/1040 for the construction of alterations and additions to the existing dwelling be approved as a “Deferred commencement” consent pursuant to Section 4.16 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 in respect of No.4 Windeyer Avenue, Gladesville subject to the following special conditions and standard conditions:

#### Schedule No.1

1. The Landscape Plan (prepared by Stick and Stones, dwg no DA100, dated 10.04.2019, date stamped 26 April 2019) shall be amended as follows:

   - The retaining wall and areas of cut should be setback from Tree 6 in accordance with the recommendations outlined in the Arboricultural Impact Assessment (prepared by Urban Arbor, dated 28 August 2019 REV 1, not date stamped).

   - The amended Landscape Plan shall be submitted to Council for review and approval prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

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### REPORT OF MEETING HELD 20 FEBRUARY 2020

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<td>2A Gladesville Road, Hunters Hill</td>
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The Development Control Unit Committee resolved:

That pursuant to Section 4.55 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, that Development Application No.2013/1054-3 for modifications including deletion of the chimney stack and fireplace at No.2A Gladesville Road, Hunters Hill, be approved, subject to amendment of condition No.72 and deletion of condition No.73 and amendment of condition No. 2, as follows:

2. The development consent No.2013/1054 relates to the plans prepared by 8 squared, numbered 02-
08, issue STG-6, dated 14 October 2014, date stamped by Council 15 October 2013, Schedule of colours and finishes prepared by 8 Squared, date stamped by Council 12 July 2013. Amended by plans prepared by 8 Squared, numbered 03-07, issue STG-8, date stamped by Council 29 June 2016. Amended by plans prepared by 8 squared, numbered 03-07, dated 14 March 2018, date stamped by Council 3 April 2018. Amended by plans prepared by 8 squared, numbered 06 and 07, dated 1 November 2018, date stamped by Council on 1 November 2018. Amended by plans prepared by 8 squared, numbered 06 and 07, dated 22 October 2019, received by Council 14 November 2019.

72. That the glazing to the eastern elevation of the stairwell is to be obscured. The film material on the glazing is to be maintained and if damaged or removed, it has to be replaced immediately.

73. Deleted.

ATTACHMENTS
There were no attachments to this report.
ITEM NO : 4.3

SUBJECT : QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

STRATEGIC OUTCOME : COUNCIL IS FINANCIALLY SUSTAINABLE

ACTION : PROVIDE TIMELY FINANCIAL INFORMATION, ADVICE AND REPORTS TO COUNCIL, THE COMMUNITY AND STAFF INCLUDING THE LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN

REPORTING OFFICER : MAY VILAYTHONG

PURPOSE

Under Integrated Planning and Reporting requirements, the Responsible Accounting Officer must prepare a Quarterly Budget Review Statement for Council. Actual results for the quarter are assessed to determine the need for revisions to the original budget.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the report to be received and noted.

2. That variations to 2019/20 budget estimates as outlined in this report be adopted.

BACKGROUND

Council is required to prepare a Budget Review Statement each quarter, in accordance with Clause 203 (1) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005. This report is prepared in accordance with the clause for the period ending 31 December 2019.

REPORT

The Budget is comprised of two components:

- Operational budgets which are recorded in Council’s annual Income and expenditure statement.
- Capital budgets where asset values are recorded in Council’s Balance Sheet and corresponding depreciation costs are recorded in the annual Income and expenditure statement.

Council’s original budget for 2019/20, provided for an operational deficit result of $421,949.

The table below summaries the year-to-date projected budget, including quarterly variations and year-end revoted projects which have been reported this financial year:

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<td>(426,583)</td>
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The first quarterly review forecasted a budget year end surplus of $821,045. This included a $1m up-front fee received in the current year from Council’s new Bus Shelter contract. Council has received preliminary advice regarding the portion of this income which is required to be recorded this year, and subsequent financial years. This advice, and its application in accordance with the recently updated accounting standard on contract recognition is still being clarified, and will be reported to the next quarter review.

Council’s year-end financial statements for 2018/19 were reported in October 2019. Projects which commenced last financial year, but were not completed by 30 June 2019 were bought forward reducing the operational surplus to $394,462.

A summary of the Budget along with recommended variations associated with this quarter are included in the report attachment. Variations for this quarter included:

- New grant funding of $40,000 received from Crown Reserves Improvement Fund for control of weeds on crown reserves under Council's management and care.
- Contribution funding of $5,800 from Landcare Australia Corporate Volunteering.

Capital budget
As was reported in October 2019, the result of bringing forward projects commenced but not completed last financial year in 2019/20 totalled $3,732,699.

There were no other variance this quarter in the capital budget.

CONCLUSION
The December 2019 variations described above, along with revote projects which have already been approved by Council in October 2019, maintain the projected surplus of $394,462 that was forecast when the September 2019 budget review report was presented to Council.

FINANCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT
The impact on Council’s forecast 2019/20 is included in this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT
There is no direct environmental impact on Council arising from Council consideration of this matter.

SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT
There is no direct social impact on Council arising from Council consideration of this matter.

RISK ASSESSMENT
There are no direct or indirect risks impacting on Council arising from consideration of this matter.

ATTACHMENTS
1. Quarterly Budget Review for December 2019
Hunters Hill Council

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period 01/10/19 to 31/12/19

Report by Responsible Accounting Officer

The following statement is made in accordance with Clause 203(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2008:

It is my opinion that the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for Hunters Hill Council for the quarter ended 31/12/19 indicates that Council’s projected financial position at 30/6/20 will be satisfactory at year end, having regard to the projected estimates of income and expenditure and the original budgeted income and expenditure.

Endorsed by Director Finance and Corporate Strategy date: 13.2.2020
Hunters Hill Council

**Income & Expenses Budget Review Statement**

*Quarterly Budget Review Statement*

*for the period 01/10/19 to 31/12/19*

**Income & Expenses - General Fund**

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**Total Income from Continuing Operations**

14,683,700 | 1,436,263 | 18,120,083 | 46,800 | 18,165,883 | 18,693,914 |

**Expenses**

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<td>Leadership And Governance</td>
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<td>75,132</td>
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<td>2,995,540</td>
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**Total Expenses from Continuing Operations**

17,105,738 | 193,300 | 17,725,621 | 45,800 | 17,771,421 | 8,155,030 |

**Net Operating Result from Continuing Operations**

(421,948) | 1,242,063 | (426,583) | 394,462 | - | 394,462 | 7,484,284 |

**Discontinued Operations**

- | - | - | - | - | - |

**Net Operating Result from All Operations**

(421,948) | 1,242,063 | (426,583) | 394,462 | - | 394,462 | 7,484,284 |

**Net Operating Result before Capital Items**

(759,534) | 939,123 | (298,583) | (240,998) | - | (240,998) | 7,069,910 |

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Hunters Hill Council

**Quarterly Budget Review Statement**

for the period 01/10/19 to 31/12/19

**Income & Expenses Budget Review Statement**

**Recommended changes to revised budget**

Year to date Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items:

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<td>1</td>
<td>Receive $40,000 new grant funding under Crown Reserves Improvement Fund (CRIF) for improving and control of weeds at Boronia Park, Buffalo Creek and Ferdinand Street Reserve. Receive contribution $5,800 from Landscape Australia Corporate Volunteering for provide and supervise a bushland site.</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>To reflect the expenditure side of grant funding as per Notes 1 $45,800.</td>
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**September Review 2019**

- Council received contribution toward Young in Art $840.
- The State Library has allocated 19/20 funding to Hunters Hill Council for $92,118. The estimated budget is $44,835, which is an increase in funding $47,283.
- Received contribution for Boronia Park drainage work $33,870.
- New grant received for War Memorial $10,000.

- Increase income for Outdoor Dining Fee $5,100.
- Received more application for Stand Plant $10,000.

- Increase in income for Eradication of Overgreens $30,000 due to ongoing projects.
- New line item for revenue budget for Road Closure $3,000.
- Council had received the Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) $200,000 for off street car parking spaces.
- Increase in revenue for Bus Shelter Advertising as sign on fees $1,000,000 as per Council Meeting No 4462.
- Transfer Security Deposit to contribution for Hunters Hill Village Footpath $70,000.

- New grant received for Our People - Our History $3,000.
- The 2019/20 estimated revenue from the Financial Assistance Grant increased by $23,700 refer to Council Meeting No 4467.

- Increase in expenditure for consultant to review Section 7.12 plan $80,000.
- Proposed addition to budget for Gladesville Shopping Village $10,000 refer to Council Meeting No 4469.

- New line item for budget estimated $13,000 for Pop up library refer Council Meeting No 4488.
- Increase in Local Priority Grant Project expenses for digitisation of the Hunter's Hill Council Minute Books $11,800.
- Contra above No 1 to reflect the expenditure for War Memorial grant $10,000.

- Proposed addition to budget for traffic and transport planning $29,000 refer to Council Meeting No 4469.

- Increase in Subscriptions for Profile Id $6,000 and NSROC $3,500.
- Contra above note No 4, to reflect the expenditure for Our People-Our History $3,000.
- Reduction in Valuation Fees $2,800 from Value General.
- Council had adopt to increase expenditure for Property Development $50,000 and $200,000 as capital expenditure funding from reserve, refer to Council Meeting No 4488.
Hunters Hill Council

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period 01/10/19 to 31/12/19

Capital Budget Review Statement
for the quarter ended 31 December 2019

Capital Budget - General Fund

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<th>Capital Expenditure</th>
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<td>New Assets</td>
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<td>- Land &amp; Buildings</td>
<td>- 200,000</td>
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<td>- Roads, Bridges, Footpaths</td>
<td>- 906,420</td>
<td>285,006</td>
<td>1,191,426</td>
<td>1,260,426</td>
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<td>290,196</td>
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<td>- Drainage</td>
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<td>897,067</td>
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<td><strong>Total Capital Expenditure</strong></td>
<td><strong>3,296,652</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,170,876</strong></td>
<td><strong>3,322,696</strong></td>
<td><strong>8,178,224</strong></td>
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<td><strong>674,935</strong></td>
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Capital Funding

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<th>Rates &amp; Other Unrestricted Funding</th>
<th>1,885,816</th>
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<th>676,134</th>
<th>2,720,949</th>
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<td>Capital Grants &amp; Contributions</td>
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<td><strong>Other Funding Special Rates</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Total Capital Funding</strong></td>
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Net Capital Funding

|                        | -         | -       | -       | -         | -         | -       |

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Hunters Hill Council

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period 01/10/19 to 31/12/19

Capital Budget Review Statement
Recommended changes to revised budget

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<td>September Review 2019</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Additional capital for Property Development $200,000 refer to Council Meeting No 4468.</td>
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<td>Section 7.12 funding for Assets Management System $250,000.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Completion of the Footpath for Bus Shelters $380,000 as required under the contract.</td>
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<td>Section 7.12 plan for playground equipment $33,000 Gladesville Reserve.</td>
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<td>The Actual work cost for PAMP Gladesville $26,000, the estimated budget is $26,094 which is the increase of $12,006.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Council had received the Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) $200,000 for car parking space and Hunters Hill Village Footpath $70,000.</td>
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<td>Received contribution for Boronia Park drainage work $33,870.</td>
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<td>Contra above notes No 1 and 2 to reflect capital expenditure funding $200,000 for Property Development and $380,000 for footpath.</td>
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<td>Contra above note No 2 for Assets Management System $250,000.</td>
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<td>Increase the revise capital expenditure budget under section 7.12 plan for Playground at Gladesville Reserve $33,000 and PAMP Gladesville $12,006.</td>
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<td>Contra Item 5 to reflect the expenditure for the contribution received $33,870.</td>
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<td>Additional project in Hunters Hill Village for car parking $200,000 and Footpath $70,000</td>
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Hunters Hill Council

Cash & Investments Budget Review Statement

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 December 2019

Cash & Investments - General Fund

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<th>Original Budget 2019/20</th>
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<td>Specific Purpose Unexpended Loans</td>
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<td>1,178,581</td>
<td>(577,345)</td>
<td>1,021,729</td>
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<td>1,021,729</td>
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<td>1,776,092</td>
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<td>Developer Contributions</td>
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<td>Specific Purpose Unexpended Grants</td>
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<td>503,998</td>
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<td>1,197,144</td>
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<td>Domestic Waste Management</td>
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<td>503,996</td>
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<td>Other Special Levies</td>
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<td>(1,374,457)</td>
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<td><strong>Total Externally Restricted</strong></td>
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<td>1,434,092</td>
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<td>(3,161,800)</td>
<td>1,584,189</td>
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<td>104,790</td>
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<td>80,060</td>
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<td>30,670</td>
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<td>(47,100)</td>
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<td>4,780,659</td>
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<td><strong>Unrestricted</strong></td>
<td>19,169,477</td>
<td>3,346,474</td>
<td>64,117</td>
<td>(3,228,980)</td>
<td>19,381,968</td>
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Cash & Investments Budget Review Statement

Investments

Investments have been invested in accordance with Council's Investment Policy.

Cash

The value of Cash at Bank which has been included in the Cash & Investment Statement totals $25,540,410.

This Cash at Bank amount has been reconciled to Council's physical Bank Statements. The date of completion of this bank reconciliation is 31/12/19.

Reconciliation Status

The YTD Cash & Investment figure reconciles to the actual balances held as follows:

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<th>Description</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<td>Investments on Hand</td>
<td>24,481,690</td>
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<td>less: Unpresented Cheques</td>
<td>(144,665)</td>
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<td>add: Undeposited Funds</td>
<td>338</td>
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<td>Reconciled Cash at Bank &amp; Investments</td>
<td>25,396,083</td>
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Balance as per Review Statement: 25,396,083

Recommendations to revised budget

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September Review 2019

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<td>Transfer security deposit to contribution for Hunters Hill Village Footpath $70,000.</td>
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<td>Increase in restriction for Property Development $250,000.</td>
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Hunters Hill Council

Key Performance Indicators Budget Review Statement

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 December 2019

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<th>Current Projection Amounts</th>
<th>Indicator 19/20</th>
<th>Indicator 19/20</th>
<th>Original Indicator 19/20</th>
<th>Actuals Prior Periods 18/19</th>
<th>17/18</th>
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The Council monitors the following Key Performance Indicators:

1. Operating Performance Ratio
   Total continuing operating revenue (excl. Capital Grants & Contributions) | 169 0.9 % | -4.1 % | -4.2 % | -3.1 %
   Less Operating Expenses | 17403 | 9.7 % | 93.4 % | 85.2 % | 90.5 %

Measures Council's achievement of containing operating expenditure within operating revenue

2. Own Source Operating Revenue Ratio
   Total continuing operating revenue (less ALL Grants & Contributions) | 16565 | 91.8 % | 93.4 % | 85.2 % | 90.5 %
   Total continuing operating revenue | 16804 | 9.7 % | 93.4 % | 85.2 % | 90.5 %

Measures fiscal flexibility. It is the degree of reliance on external funding sources such as operating grants & contributions
Hunters Hill Council

Key Performance Indicators Budget Review Statement

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 December 2019

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<td>3. Unrestricted Current Ratio</td>
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<td>Current Assets Less all External Restrictions</td>
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<td>5.6</td>
<td>5.6</td>
<td>8.1</td>
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<td>Current Liabilities Less Specific Purpose Liabilities</td>
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Council's ability to meet short term obligations as they fall due.

 Quarterly Budget Review Statement

for the period 01/10/19 to 31/12/19

3. Unrestricted Current Ratio

4. Debt Service Ratio

Operating Result before capital excluding interest and depreciation (EBITDA)

Principal Repayments (from the Statement of cash Flows) + Borrowing Interest Costs (from the Income Statement)

Measures the availability of operating cash to service debt including interest, principal and lease payments.
Hunters Hill Council

Key Performance Indicators Budget Review Statement

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 December 2019

($000's) Current Projection Amounts Original Indicator Actuals Prior Periods
19/20 19/20 19/20 18/19 17/18

5. Rates, Annual Charges, Interest & Extra Charges Outstanding Percentage
Rates, Annual & Extra Charges Outstanding 288 2.3 % 2.3 % 3.0 % 2.5 %
Rates, Annual & Extra Charges Collectable 12549

Measures the adequacy of recovery of rates and effect on liquidity

6. Cash Expenses Cover Ratio
Current Year's Cash and Cash Equivalents Including All Term Deposits x12 18351 15.0 15.5 18.9 17.4
Payments from cash flow of operating and financing activities 15504

Indicates the number of months a Council can continue paying for its immediate expenses without additional cash inflow
Hunters Hill Council

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period 01/10/19 to 31/12/19

Consultancy & Legal Expenses Budget Review Statement

Consultancy & Legal Expenses Overview

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Definition of a consultant:

A consultant is a person or organisation engaged under contract on a temporary basis to provide recommendations or high level specialist or professional advice to assist decision making by management. Generally it is the advisory nature of the work that differentiates a consultant from other contractors.
ITEM NO : 4.4
SUBJECT : REVIEW OF DELIVERY PROGRAM : END OF DECEMBER 2019
STRATEGIC OUTCOME : COUNCIL IS RECOGNISED AND RESPECTED AS AN OPEN AND TRANSPARENT ORGANISATION

ACTION : REPORT QUARTERLY TO COUNCIL AND THE COMMUNITY ON THE PROGRESS OF THE DELIVERY PROGRAM, OPERATIONAL PLAN AND ASSOCIATED RESOURCING STRATEGY (LTFP, AMP’S & WORKFORCE PLAN)

REPORTING OFFICER : MARIA KENNY

PURPOSE
To report on progress against objectives included in Council's 2019-2020 Delivery Program.

RECOMMENDATION
1. That the report be received and noted.

BACKGROUND
The Local Government Act requires all NSW councils to adopt a suite of documents to satisfy Integrated Planning and Reporting (IP&R) requirements.

These documents are:
- A Community Strategic Plan which sets out community and Council goals and strategies for at least the next ten years.
- A four-year Delivery Program that includes actions and performance measures to achieve the goals in the Community Strategic Plan.
- An Operational Plan that is a one-year instalment of the Delivery Program.
- A Resourcing Strategy that outlines how the financial, workforce and asset management capabilities will be aligned to achieve the Delivery Program.

Council adopted these documents in July 2018, the first three as a combined publication.

The Delivery Program covers the period 2018/19 to 2020/21 (three years instead of the normal four, in order to align with the amended electoral cycle caused by council merger deliberations).

The Local Government Act stipulates that councils must review their Delivery program at least every six months.

REPORT
Progress report format

The Delivery program, as well as the other IP&R documents, are based around five themes:

- Leadership and governance
- Manage and preserve our environment
• Make getting around easier
• Maintain character and manage growth planning
• Focus on the community.

Strategic objectives are included under each of these themes and they in turn have a series of actions designed to achieve these objectives.

The attached progress report includes progress comments against these actions, highlighting progress made in the first two quarters of 2019/20 (to December 2019). An icon is included against each action to indicate its status (completed, progressing etc.). The status description applicable to each icon is shown at the front of the document.

**Achievements and challenges**

2019/20 has seen the commencement of a program of reforms aimed at reviewing and streamlining processes across the organisation, taking advantage of contemporary technologies, reviewing and instigating shared service arrangements, improving governance and providing a new standard of customer experience. This work will support the organisation to more effectively deliver on the community outcomes as set out in the Community Strategic Plan.

Whilst changes have commenced, the impact of these changes are expected to be realised over the next 12 to 18 months.

Following is a snapshot of some of the achievements to December 2019:

**Leadership and Governance**

• Suitable software to enable on-line bookings, Development Applications and effective customer request management has been selected, with system implementation currently underway.
• Our new website has gone live. Further enhancements will continue to be implemented.
• Upgrade to the public areas of the Hunters Hill Town Hall is progressing with contractors engaged and DA having been determined.
• A new asset management software has been implemented.
• The formation Property Advisory Committee has enabled identification of leasing opportunities and progression of the development of the property strategy.
• Continuing implementation of shared service arrangements with Lane Cove Council around waste services and road safety functions.

**Manage and Preserve Our Environment**

• Council is continuing third party agreements to reduce the overall amount being sent to landfill.
• Council has partnered with a rehoming service for a variety of home goods.
• Implementation of a range of sustainability initiatives is continuing including co-funding of the Northern Sydney Community Recycling Centre.
• Investigation of water capture systems on Boronia 3 Oval has been completed with installation of drainage and water tank to commence this quarter.
• The draft Hunters Hill, Lane Cove, Parramatta and Ryde Bush Fire Risk Management Plan was placed on public exhibition in December 2019.

**Make Getting Around Easier**
• Asset data collection, mapping and condition assessment for Council’s 10 year Strategic Asset Management Plan has continued and is expected to be finalised in March 2020.
• Resurfacing of Unwins Lane and Ellesmere Avenue have been completed.
• Footpath renewal of sections of following roads has been completed: The Point Road; Werambie Street; Prince Edward Parade; Tiree Avenue; Serpentine Road; Vernon Street; and Jeanneret Avenue.
• Reiby Road footpath widening and kerb extensions work are completed.
• Meetings with school principals are scheduled in February 2020.
• The new bus shelters’ contract has been finalised. The contract will deliver both positive financial benefits as well as ensure all 19 new shelters are DDA compliant, ahead of the 2021 deadline.

*Maintain Character and Manage Growth Planning*

• Effective removal of graffiti within two (indecent) and five (non-indecent) days.
• New online DA portal has been launched. The new DA system will improve determination times and performance reporting in this area in 2020.
• Preparation of the heritage character statements has progressed and the Gladesville Masterplan is underway.
• The Local Strategic Planning Statements were placed on public exhibition.
• Council partnered with City of Ryde and the Gladesville Chamber of Commerce to create, develop and deliver a place based campaign to encourage additional patronage of the Gladesville village precinct.
• Engagement of *Place Score* to develop place-based action plans utilising community feedback.
• The new Section 7.12 (former S94A) Plan was adopted in December 2019.

*Focus On the Community*

• Draft Boronia Park and Riverglade Reserve Plans of Management have been prepared.
• Delivery of Council’s Events program including Young in Art, Carols by Candlelight and New Year’s Eve celebrations.
• Council resolved to enter into a new Joint-use Agreement with Lane Cove Council delivering substantial savings to enable improved library services to the community.
• Continued implementation of actions in the Disability Inclusion Action Plan.

*Financial Performance*

A separate report dealing with Council’s quarterly review financial performance is included in this business paper.

**CONCLUSION**

The attached December 2019 review of the Delivery Program highlights progress towards achievement of Council’s objectives. It will be published on Council’s website to inform the community of the various milestones, achievements and challenges as well as promoted via Council’s channels including e-newsletter and social media.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

There is no direct financial impact on Council’s adopted budget as a result of this report.
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT
There is no direct environmental impact on Council arising from Council consideration of this matter.

SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT
There is no direct social impact on Council arising from Council consideration of this matter.

RISK ASSESSMENT
There are no direct or indirect risks impacting on Council arising from consideration of this matter.

ATTACHMENTS
1. 6 Month Progress Report - December 2019
• Focus on the Community
• Maintain Character + Manage Growth Planning
• Manage + Preserve our Environment
• Making Getting Around Easier
• Leadership + Governance
General Managers Message

This 6 monthly update report will provide the Council and the community with information on our progress and performance across a range of key functions and services that we are responsible to deliver.

This document will evolve as we move forward, as our objective is to ensure we provide information that is relevant and meaningful to our community.

As an organisation we are committed to meeting the needs and expectations of our community and the projects, programs and services we deliver to achieve these goals will be captured and reported on each quarter.

I look forward to any feedback on our new reporting format.

Lisa Miscamble
GENERAL MANAGER
## Progress reporting icons used in this document

### Icons used for Action Status

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**Program:** nominated service standards being achieved, approximately 75% underway, no remedial action required  
**Strategy:** recommendations/actions on track, approximately 75% underway, no remedial action required  
**Business case/commercial entity:** projections for income/expenditure on track, approximately 75% achieved or higher, no remedial action required |
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| ✔      | Completed | **Project:** project deliverables (timeframe, scope, budget etc) on track, approximately 90% complete or higher, no remedial action required  
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**Strategy:** recommendations/actions on track, approximately 90% complete or higher, no remedial action required  
**Business case/commercial entity:** projections for income/expenditure on track, approximately 90% achieved or higher, no remedial action required |
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**Program:** nominated service standards broadly being achieved, approximately 50%, concerns are being addressed and do not require other remedial action  
**Strategy:** recommendations/actions broadly being achieved, approximately 50%, minor concerns are being addressed and do not require other remedial action  
**Business case/commercial entity:** projections for income/expenditure on track, approximately 50% achieved, no remedial action required |
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3. LEADERSHIP & GOVERNANCE

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<td>Council’s IT systems are responsive to the changing needs of our community</td>
<td>1.1.1</td>
<td>Upgrade communication interface including CRM system</td>
<td>Refinements and updates have been made to the CRM system to facilitate the implementation of an online community portal. Additional modules are in the process of being implemented, including a town planning module to allow for the integration with the NSW Government Planning Portal.</td>
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<td>1.1.2</td>
<td>Upgrade Council website</td>
<td>The new Council website was deployed and maintenance is now ongoing.</td>
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<td>1.1.3</td>
<td>Investigate alternate options for a responsive HR/CSP management software solution</td>
<td>Using Pulse for CSP monitoring. Have also worked with Director of Works and Special Projects to find a project management tool that talks to the three departments. Education and training required for teams.</td>
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<td>1.1.4</td>
<td>Implement software/hardware solution/s to allow for better communication and organisation of works staff</td>
<td>Committee formed to review system for works staff. Briefing sessions completed with providers Currently reviewing proposals.</td>
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| Council provides a safe workplace and community facility | 1.2.1 | Upgrade Town Hall accommodation – include a staged implementation plan to meet disability/access requirements | Progress on the project over the past quarter has included:  
- engagement of contractors to complete roof repairs and air conditioning;  
- commencement of repairs of the roof and air conditioning units;  
- engagement of an interiors consultant  
- removal of former customer services counter and creation of a separate call centre area.  
- preparation and submission the Development Application for the ramp and other access and compliance works  
- determination of the DA by the Local Planning Panel Meeting held on 17 December. | 🛠️ |
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<td>Council is recognised and respected as an open and transparent organisation</td>
<td>1.3.1</td>
<td>Engage our community in conversation and provide timely and accurate information including maximising social media, advertising, print and face-to-face engagement options</td>
<td>Council has engaged community engagement platform, social pinpoint. Council has also created a 12 month Marcomms Calendar to streamline all messages. A message house is in development. Proactive media has been a focus, with Media officer sending pre and post media releases to local outlets around council meetings, consistent social media and news from website. Councillor’s Listening Posts on a fortnightly basis are planned for 2020.</td>
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<td>1.3.2</td>
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<td>Council and Councillors abide by the Code of Conduct, Code of Meeting Practice and Local Government Act</td>
<td>Council has adopted the Office of Local Government Model Codes of Conduct and Meeting Practice.</td>
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<td>1.3.3</td>
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<td>Review, update and implement the Community Engagement Strategy and Communication Plan to reflect advocacy, transparency, communication and engagement</td>
<td>The community engagement strategy and plan are on schedule and include internal and external stakeholder communications, an updated and consistent brand guideline and easy to use online forms for greater communication.</td>
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<td><strong>1.3.4</strong> Report quarterly to Council and the community on the progress of the Delivery Program, Operational Plan and associated Resourcing Strategy (LTFP, AMP’s &amp; Workforce Plan)</td>
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<td>Reporting is on schedule.</td>
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<td>Councillors are supported within a democratic governance framework</td>
<td>1.4.1</td>
<td>Provide professional development opportunities for Councillors</td>
<td>Ongoing information is prepared and distributed to Councillors as received from OLG and LGNSW</td>
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<td>There is a shared vision by Council and staff of continuous improvement</td>
<td>1.5.1</td>
<td>Council has an appropriately trained, skilled and supported workforce to ensure a consistent level of quality customer care (Workforce Plan)</td>
<td>All staff have individual development plans 2019-2020 training plan has been drafted Training dates being scheduled for next quarter</td>
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<td>Provide front line staff with training to better interface with customers</td>
<td>Ongoing development Training provided to all staff in November 2019 - BEST Customer Experience Workshops</td>
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|                     | 1.5.3       | Develop and implement initiatives that support and promote career development capability across the organisation | Development plans have been implemented across council  
Leadership development program is in progress | ![Status Traffic Light](image) |
|                     | 1.5.4       | Attract, retain and develop staff to meet current and future workforce needs | Learning and development plan has been developed and aligns to Council's Workforce Plan  
Council's website has been reviewed and modernised. The website is a primary platform for recruitment | ![Status Traffic Light](image) |
| Service standards are up-to-date and reflect community need | 1.6.1 | Review, develop, implement and monitor service standards and key performance indicators | Service standards are being updated with the implementation of the CRMS and Pulse system  
KPI's have been implemented following staff performance reviews in 2019 | ![Status Traffic Light](image) |
|                     | 1.6.2       | Council benchmarks its services (e.g. PwC Performance Excellence Program) to ensure they meet agreed standards | Leadership team have reviewed the community survey and will present to Councillors at a strategic planning session.  
Measures and actions have been identified for future focused customer service activities. | ![Status Traffic Light](image) |
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<td>Assessment of asset utilisation by the Internal Audit Committee</td>
<td>An audit of the management of Council facilities has been completed and reported to the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee (ARIC). During the December quarter asset condition assessments continued and are due for completion by March 2020. The outcome of these assessment, including financial implications, will be the subject of a report to the ARIC.</td>
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<td>Council is financially sustainable</td>
<td>1.7.1</td>
<td>Provide timely financial information, advice and reports to Council, the community and staff including the Long Term Financial Plan</td>
<td>Financial reporting provided to Council, Council officers and community as required. Departmental financial reports have been created to facilitate easier review of actuals against budgets, and to better align financials with Delivery Program progress reviews.</td>
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| 1.7.2               |             | Council develops commercial opportunities that generate alternate sources of income/revenue (e.g. property portfolio) | Key activities for this quarter included:  
- finalising formatting of the draft Property Strategy  
- progression of investigations into the four key sites  
- 1 Vernon St: lease signed in accordance with Council resolution (26/8/19)  
- Mount Morris: quotes for survey to progress formal closure of road closure being obtained.  
- 9 Church St: new 12 month lease entered into  
- 2 Prince Edward Pde: license to regularise use of right away completed in accordance with Council resolution  
- Campbell Dr: licence agreement between the Health Administration Corporation and Hunters Hill Council for the Licenced area to enable public vehicle access along Campbell Drive and the adjacent parking area to the Parramatta River Regional Park (Bedlam Bay) signed in accordance with Council resolution 28/10/19  
- Serpentine Road: commenced process for land to be dedicated as public road in accordance with Council resolution 26/8/19 |
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<td>Fees and charges will be reviewed annually</td>
<td>Annual review of existing and potential new fees for 2020/21 will commence during the March 2020 quarter.</td>
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<td>Council’s rating structure is reviewed to include the option of applying for a Special Rate Variation (SRV)</td>
<td>In 2018/19 Council's rating structure was reviewed and an application for a Special Variation was approved by IPART to apply from 1 July 2019. The program of community facility works to be funded from the Special Variation is underway and the operational component of the variation is helping maintain service levels.</td>
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<td>Council collaborates with other agencies and all levels of government</td>
<td>1.8.1</td>
<td>Council continues its membership of NSROC</td>
<td>Council continues to be an active member of NSROC. Key activities over the quarter included: - contribution to a joint submission on the regulatory burden on local government to the NSW Office of Local Government - contribution to the joint submission on the draft Audit Risk and Improvement Committees discussion paper made to the NSW Office of Local Government - progression of the regional Social Infrastructure Report which is due for completion by June 2020</td>
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<td>Council advocates for the community in responding to local and regional issues</td>
<td>Council has worked in partnership with the community to develop a Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS) and advocate its key principles to the Greater Sydney Commission. Council has also been advocating for the revitalisation of the Gladesville Shopping Precinct and has been working with the Gladesville Chamber of Commerce, Gladesville Mainstreet Committee and City of Ryde Council to develop a framework to support the community and local shopkeepers. The campaign, Love Gladesville, has seen an increase in positive discussion in the area, and continues to grow in momentum.</td>
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## MANAGE AND PRESERVE OUR ENVIRONMENT

### Delivery Program Actions

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| A leader in sustainability by responding proactively to pressure facing our natural environment | 2.1.1 | Review the Environmental Management Plan and include sustainability, upcycling, community gardens, street library, tree-scape, and energy efficiency | - Support for Bedlam Bay and Henley Bowling Club Community Gardens managed by the Happy Hens.  
- Installation of 5 Street Libraries across the LGA.  
- Membership of The Bower enabling residents to donate unwanted household goods for resale or reuse.  
- Co-funding the Northern Sydney Community Recycling Centre - free of charge drop-off for hazardous household goods including paints, oils, fluorescent light globes and bulbs, gas bottles, fire extinguishers, household and car batteries, e-waste including TV's and computers, mobile phones, smoke detectors, printer cartridges and x-rays. Subscription to Planet Footprint for monitoring of utility usage across the LGA.  
- Environmental Management Plan Review is outstanding. Once the Sustainability Officer is recruited in the 3rd quarter this will be a focus. |

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<td>Establish a Sustainability and Biodiversity Advisory Committee to address the quadruple bottom line and review areas such as water, tree canopy, energy management, air quality, waste and recycling</td>
<td>The first Bushland Management Advisory Committee meeting was held on 21 October 2019. The committee is made up of two Councillors, two Council Officers, nine bushcare group leaders and one community representative. The Committee will meet quarterly and will cover a range of bushland related topics. The next meeting is scheduled for 3 February.</td>
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<td>Council validates the benefits of sustainable living and supports advanced approaches to resource recovery</td>
<td>2.2.1</td>
<td>Create strong partnerships with our community to support innovative attitudes to sustainable lifestyles, waste minimisation and increase reuse and recycling opportunities</td>
<td>Council continues third party agreements who help to reduce the overall amount being sent to landfill. Council has partnered with the Bower who are a rehoming service for a variety of home goods. Bower collect unwanted, good quality items from residencies and rehome them through their own store and website. The Bower is a free service for the residents of Hunters Hill. Council also shares management of the Community Recycling Centre (CRC) in Artarmon. The CRC is a drop-off location for problematic waste including: gas bottles, paint, motor oils, light globes, batteries, e-waste and more. The CRC is a free service for Hunters Hill residents. Residents are also provided with a mattress collection and recycling service through Soft Landing. Residents can book a mattress collection online or over the phone and have the mattress removed from their kerbside and have all of the contents recycled at Veolia Greenacre. This is a free service for Hunters Hill residents. Council is also exploring a pilot project with UNSW focussed on promoting the circular economy.</td>
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<td>Undertake education programs aimed at decreasing waste to landfill for residents, schools, businesses and staff</td>
<td>The Waste Contract Coordinator has offered resources to schools to aid in the understanding of waste and recycling. Council also provides signage for residents to take home to encourage proper source separation. This will be a focus of the new Sustainability Officer.</td>
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<td>Promote opportunities and assistance for residents and business to access funding and grants that will assist them in making sustainable choices</td>
<td>Continued investigation of opportunities via the NSROC network</td>
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<td>Ensure waste collection service meets community expectations in terms of accessibility, ease and frequency</td>
<td>The Waste Contract Coordinator addresses any issues highlighted by the public regarding waste collection. The Waste Contract Coordinator also ensures waste collection meets all compliancy through consistent monitoring and reporting. All public inquiries regarding waste collection are responded to promptly and efficiently. Initial work has commenced on the preparation of the new waste tender collection tender.</td>
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<td>2.2.5</td>
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<td>Maximise water efficiency and recycling through water sensitive urban design, capturing stormwater, encouraging substitution of potable water with alternative supply and improving water usage behaviour</td>
<td>The commencement of the installation of the drainage with water tank on Boronia 3 is set to start at the end of January. The oval will be unavailable for use for the duration of the works.</td>
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<td>Monitor and maintain stormwater assets</td>
<td>Maintenance of stormwater assets are continued on reactive basis. Few projects have been scoped for design and capacity improvements and awaiting for contractor submission. Stormwater assets are also currently being assessed as part of the overall development of the Asset Management Plan.</td>
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<td>2.2.7</td>
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<td>Support and encourage groups undertaking community garden projects</td>
<td>Ongoing support of the Happy Hens at Henley Bowling Club. Council is also supporting a local scout group to create accessible and mobile gardens beds from discarded boats (dinghys). Council has also partnered with the Happy Hens to plant herbs in the planter boxes on Victoria Road in the Gladesville shopping precinct.</td>
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<td>2.3.01</td>
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<td>Encourage and support active community participation in local environmental projects and events</td>
<td>This action is ongoing. Bushcare Volunteers, Corporate Volunteers, local schools and scout groups are involved in local environmental projects. For example, two corporate volunteer days with Telstra and ABNAMRO Clearing were held in this quarter planting 300 native plants and 1 hectare of bushland area weeded.</td>
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| 2.3.02              |             | Manage, protect and rehabilitate damaged and fragmented natural areas | Corporate Volunteers, contractors and Council staff undertook bush regeneration in the last quarter at:  
  a. Boronia Park  
  b. Buffalo Creek Reserve  
  c. Riverglade and Tarban Creek Reserve  
  d. Gladesville Reserve and Betts Park  
  e. Kelly’s Bush  
  f. Ferdinand St Reserve  
  g. Mornington Reserve  
  h. Murray Prior Reserve  
  i. Woolwich Baths  
  j. St Johns Park  
  k. Bedlam Bay  
  Council commenced the DPIE grant project: Habitat restoration along the lower Parramatta River - Stage 2. Bush regeneration works have commenced and a community planting was held at Bedlam Bay in October 2019. Stage 1 of this wildlife corridor project involved 272 planting volunteers, 3,909 native plants plant, 305 volunteers in total and received commendation from NSW Environmental Trust for community engagement. | ☑️ |
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| 2.3.03              |             | Protect the diversity of flora, fauna and ecological communities | This action is ongoing. Bushcare Volunteers, Corporate Volunteers, contractors and Council staff undertook bush regeneration in the last quarter at:  
  a. Boronia Park  
  b. Buffalo Creek Reserve  
  c. Riverglade and Tarban Creek Reserve  
  d. Gladesville Reserve and Betts Park  
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  For example a sediment management project to protect and enhance coastal saltmarsh and mangroves in Tarban Creek continued in this quarter. | 🔴 |
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<td>2.3.04</td>
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<td>Ensure that future land use planning and management enhances and protects biodiversity and natural heritage</td>
<td>The Draft Local Strategic Planning Statement incorporates land use planning and management. Councils current Local Environment Plan and Development Control Plan also provides for protection of biodiversity and natural heritage.</td>
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<td>2.3.05</td>
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<td>Improve environmental monitoring and reporting</td>
<td>Environmental monitoring and reporting to government bodies happens as a matter of course, for example, grant monitoring and reports, scientific licensing reports, weed inspection/activity reporting to the Department of Primary Industry, and Council and Crown Land reports.</td>
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<td>2.3.06</td>
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<td>Implement effective weed control programs including track maintenance</td>
<td>This action is ongoing. Bushcare Volunteers, Corporate Volunteers, contractors and Council staff are undertaking bush regeneration in accordance with a work plan in the majority of Councils bushland reserves. Council received three Crown Land grants for Boronia Park, Buffalo Creek Reserve and Ferdinand Street Reserve in this quarter. Track maintenance was undertaken and new interpretative signage installed at Kelly’s Bush.</td>
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<td>2.3.07</td>
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<td>Carry out hazard reduction activities as outlined in the Bushfire Risk Management Plan</td>
<td>The draft Hunters Hill, Lane Cove, Parramatta and Ryde Bush Fire Risk Management Plan was placed on public exhibition in December until 14 February 2020. Council continues to implement actions in the draft Plan. NSW Rural Fire Service has approved the maintenance of mown grass along the perimeter of Boronia Park as adequate Asset Protection Zones.</td>
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<td>2.3.08</td>
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<td>Tree Preservation Orders are managed through the Development Application (DA) process</td>
<td>Tree permit completion is on going. This involves conducting on-site inspections followed by written reports. Inspections often occur at convenient times for the Residents at 7am and occasionally at 6.30am before they go to work.</td>
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<td>2.3.09</td>
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<td>Maintain and improve the local tree canopy</td>
<td>This action is ongoing. Replacement of street and park trees happens as a matter of course. The prolonged drought was postponed the planting of additional trees in this quarter.</td>
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<td>2.3.10</td>
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<td>Improve the protection of foreshores and waterways</td>
<td>This action is ongoing. There are protection and criteria within Council's current LEP and DCP Controls including State policies protecting the foreshores and waterways. The Parramatta River Catchment Group have prepared a discussion paper on Step 4 the Parramatta River Masterplan i.e. “standardising the standards” .</td>
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<td>2.3.11</td>
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<td>Protect and monitor waterways and improve water quality</td>
<td>This action is ongoing. Council inspects and maintains stormwater assets on a regular basis. In addition the Parramatta River Catchment Group has compliance and education programs such as &quot;Get the Site Right&quot; a compliance program targeting sediment and erosion control on building sites, (which had a blitz day in October whereby Hunters Hill development sites were 100% compliant),and ‘RiverAware’ a residential stormwater education program.</td>
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<td>2.3.12</td>
<td>Manage and maintain parks and reserves</td>
<td>Continued maintenance, it is on-going until end of March (change of users on the playing fields). Watering on the playing fields has been reduced due to water restrictions. However Boronia Park Ovals have been watered using the Bore.</td>
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<td>2.3.13</td>
<td>Complete a State of Environment Report to be included in the Annual Report in the year in which an ordinary local government election is held</td>
<td>The annual report including State of Environment reporting was completed.</td>
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<td>Council recognises Aboriginal cultural connections and heritage</td>
<td>2.4.1</td>
<td>Work with other agencies to protect local Aboriginal assets</td>
<td>Council staff have been liaising with Department of Planning Industry and Environment, Indigenous organisations, bushcare groups and the Hunters Hill Trust as required.</td>
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<td>2.4.2</td>
<td>Council appoints a Native Title Manager as required by the revised NSW Crown Land Act</td>
<td>Native Title Manager was appointed.</td>
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<td>Asset Management Plans meet community and legislative guidelines</td>
<td>3.1.1</td>
<td>Review Asset Management Plans and include prioritised maintenance schedules and standards</td>
<td>Road segmenting and mapping of pavement segmenting completed. Road pavement condition assessment completed. Footpath segmenting and mapping completed. Footpath condition assessment completed. Building, stormwater and open space assets are currently being audited. Implementation of ASSETIC Assets Management system is in progress.</td>
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<td>Roads are well maintained</td>
<td>3.2.1</td>
<td>Council constructs and maintains accessible, safe and high quality roads</td>
<td>Road resurfacing capital works program commenced and progressing. Resurfacing of Unwins Lane and Ellesmere Avenue have been completed. A consultant has completed the survey and awaiting for investigation and design contract for High Street, Kelly Street, Gaza Street and Passy Avenue (K&amp;G) to be finalised. A contract has been awarded for K&amp;G replacement capital works program</td>
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<td>Footpaths are accessible, safe and connected</td>
<td>3.3.1</td>
<td>Council plans, designs, constructs and maintains accessible, safe, and high</td>
<td>All contract work for footpath renewal of sections of following roads has been completed.</td>
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<td>quality infrastructure for people to walk (Asset Management Plan and PAMP)</td>
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<td>Roads and footpath assets have been audited and will be incorporated into the</td>
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<td>development of the new Asset Management Plan.</td>
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<td>Council has a network of safe and linked cycle paths</td>
<td>3.4.1</td>
<td>Update and implement the Hunters Hill Cycle Plan to ensure cycle paths are</td>
<td>Council is seeking NSW grant funding to assist with implementing this action.</td>
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<td>well designed to meet infrastructure needs</td>
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| Road congestion and traffic safety is improved          | 3.5.1       | Review Traffic Management Plans to identify areas that require intervention (e.g. traffic calming) | 1. Reiby Road footpath widening and kerb extensions work now completed.  
2. Mary Street pedestrian crossing/ kerb blister/pram ramps - Consultant engaged to undertake detail design for construction including electrical. Detailed Design under review  
3. Manning Road removal of raised threshold and replaced with refuge and speed cushions - Detail design currently under review  
4. Woolwich Road raised threshold (near Franki Ave) - vehicle and pedestrian counts did not meet RMS guidelines for a pedestrian crossing. Threshold to be painted as per AS1742.13 with white piano keys to avoid confusion that this device is a raised pedestrian crossing. The engagement of a contractor to carry out work is underway |
<p>|                                                         | 3.5.2       | Council advocates on behalf of the community to the State Govt for local traffic solutions and grant funding | 1. Council contacted RMS in regards to Council resolution on 11/11/19 regrading pedestrian safety on the Church Street overpass. RMS have previously confirmed that it will nominate the overpass for upgrades to pedestrian facilities under the NSW Blackspot Safer Roads Program. RMS are yet to provide a response on funding or scope of project. |</p>
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<td>3.5.3</td>
<td>Deliver targeted education programs to encourage the community to make better road safety and transport choices</td>
<td>Current educational initiatives to improve road safety in Hunters Hill include: • Creation and maintenance of Road Safety pages on Council’s website. • Quarterly newsletter to school Principals for inclusion in their school newsletters. • Child Car Seat Safety Checking Clinics – held on 7 December 2019. • Research and collate information for schools on how to implement a School Walking Bus. • 4 x Walking Safely Presentations booked in for delivery in February and March 2020 (delivered to senior residents at local retirement facilities). • “Teaching Your Learner Driver” workshop to be held on 26 February 2020.</td>
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<td>Schools are supported through the provision of safe drop off and pick-up zones</td>
<td>3.6.1</td>
<td>Identify and prioritise school zones where traffic and safety management is required</td>
<td>1. Visits to Riverside Girls High School investigated their request for fencing. Observation of pedestrian and motor vehicle movement. Identified options that the school could employ without the need for infrastructure changes. Sydney Buses were not in support of fencing at this location. 2. Visits to Hunters Hill High School to investigate movement of students with consideration to the Headway Traffic &amp; Transport report which looked specifically at Reiby Road. Infrastructure work to commence. 3. Visits to Villa Maria Public School to observe the flow of vehicles during pickup and drop off while investigating the proposed pedestrian crossing on Mary Street.</td>
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<td>3.6.2</td>
<td>Liaise with the School Principals Committee to exchange and identify any traffic safety concerns</td>
<td>Meeting with principals set for February. Intention to create a discussion and action plan to support active transport and safety in the community. Road Safety Officers have been engaged in discussions.</td>
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<td>Parking will support the needs of our community</td>
<td>3.7.1</td>
<td>Develop parking management plans in commercial, village and public transport zones</td>
<td>Parking Strategy - final draft being finalized by Consultant due for delivery by mid February 2020  Monitoring parking sensors in Signal Hill Car park, Cowell Street to help inform parking management.</td>
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# MAINTAIN CHARACTER AND MANAGE GROWTH PLANNING

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<td>Maintain the character and amenity of Hunters Hill</td>
<td>4.1.1</td>
<td>Complete and implement heritage character statements, eg trees, rocky outcrops, stonewalls, iconic views, seawalls, streetscape and waterscape</td>
<td>The statements is an action of the Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS). The completion of the LSPS process and additional requirements of the Greater Sydney Commission (GSC) and Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) has taken priority in reporting period, along with clarifying the scope of character statements at GSC/DPIE direction. Engagement of heritage practitioner to prepare statements and involvement of Heritage Advisor officer in process to be progressed in next reporting period. Advice of DPIE on deferral of implementation of the draft Part 3B Low-Medium Housing till 1 July 2020 noted, and to progress Council position on matters in later reporting periods.</td>
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<td>4.1.2</td>
<td>Prepare and review strategic land use strategies, policies and plans, such as the LEP and DCP</td>
<td>Preparation of the Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS) is underway. These will inform land use and the vision for the areas which will inform the review of the LEP and associated DCPs. Preparation of Draft LSPS for exhibition. Exhibition will end 25 October 2019. The LSPS was exhibited in the quarter, 16 September to 25 October 2019, and revived 25 Submissions.</td>
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<td>4.1.3</td>
<td>Provide quality technical heritage advice to residents, developers, DCU, and the Land and Environment Court</td>
<td>Ongoing process involving DA assessment and technical advise from the Conservation Advisory Panel meetings. Council engaged a heritage adviser one day per week who provides technical advice to residents at the pre-DA stage, as well as to the Planning Team during the assessment process of DA</td>
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<td>4.1.4</td>
<td>Encourage community participation and responsibility in development applications and heritage conservation</td>
<td>Preliminary Pre-DA meetings (and DCU meetings) held weekly to encourage best-practice approach to development and heritage conservation. Conservation Advisory Panel meetings held monthly for Pre-DA and current development applications that consider the heritage provisions of LEP/DCP. Ongoing development of heritage conservation information and resources on Website to be progressed with Heritage Advisor position and Communications Officer discussed. New Community Participation Plan, replacing the Notification Chapter of Hunters Hill Consolidated Development Control Plan, adopted by Council on 25/11/2020 and posted to ePlanning portal.</td>
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<td>4.1.5</td>
<td>All building work complies with Council regulations</td>
<td>All inspections completed in accordance with the National Code of Australia and by a qualified building inspector.</td>
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<td>Council has well planned commercial areas, village centres and neighbourhoods</td>
<td>4.2.01</td>
<td>Apply design in excellence planning controls that protect the residential character of Hunters Hill</td>
<td>Preparation of the draft Local Strategic Planning Statement progressed and is still awaiting advice from the Department of Planning for the draft Local Environmental Plan - Planning Proposal - amendment to the Gladesville GSV development site, proposing a design in excellence planning controls.</td>
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<td>4.2.02</td>
<td>Use place based planning to support the role of village centres as a focus for connected neighbourhoods</td>
<td>Public domain actions of the Action Plan for Improving the Commercial Core of Gladesville underway by the Works and Services team e.g. footpath upgrades. Anticipated to be completed by November 2019. Local Infrastructure Contribution Plan 2020 (Section 7.12) adopted by Council on 16/12/2020, and includes development contributions levy for place-based public domain improvements for centres. Place activation ideas progressed with Gladesville Main Street Committee, Hunters Hill Village Main Street Committee, Gladesville Chamber of Commerce and City of Ryde Council. Place activation initiatives delivered to help improve and stimulate the commercial core of Gladesville e.g. mural building walls, new planter boxers, painting of street furniture, eNewsletter. Initiatives in conjunction with City of Ryde Council.</td>
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<td>4.2.03</td>
<td>Review and update the Gladesville Master Plan and liaise with key stakeholders including residents and the City of Ryde</td>
<td>The urban design consultant completed proposed design vision for the three blocks under consideration for the Gladesville centre master plan work in reporting period. Design vision developed within current development controls of Hunters Hill Development Control Plan. Block proposals presented at Councillor Briefing in December 2019 and endorsement to proceed to present proposed master plan for the three blocks to land owners in next reporting period.</td>
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The next precinct to be activated is Boronia. |
|                     | 4.2.05      | *Developments include a mix use of housing, shops and commercial facilities*    | Work undertaken on the draft LSPS and review LEP and DCP will assist in the promotion of mix use development in appropriate locations.  
The draft Gladesville master plan will also provide the opportunity for mix use developments.  
The Master Plan of Gladesville is in 3 stages and meetings with the land owners within these area have been scheduled for 4 February 2020. |
<p>|                     | 4.2.06      | <strong>Educate the community and key stakeholders about the importance of referencing key planning documents such as the Burra Charter</strong> | Preliminary Pre-DA meetings held weekly to encourage best-practice approach to development and heritage conservation. Conservation Advisory Panel meetings are held monthly for Pre-DA and current development applications that consider the heritage provisions of Hunters Hill Local Environmental Plan and Hunters Hill Development Control Plan. Ongoing development of heritage conservation information and resources on Website progressed with Heritage Advisor position and Communications Officer. |</p>
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<td>4.2.07</td>
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<td>Prepare a local or district housing strategy that addresses the delivery of a housing supply target of 150 by 2021</td>
<td>Preparation of LSPS will require the further review the Housing Strategy of the LGA to ensure that Council meets the housing supply target, delivering a housing supply target of 150 by 2021. The strategy to be done in accordance with guidelines set out by Dept of planning. Meeting with Dept of planning, 31 October 2019, who will provide Council on the scope of the study. Awaiting Department to advise on the approach on study and Council awaiting for outcome from GSC Health check review.</td>
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<td>4.2.08</td>
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<td>Continue to advocate to improve foreshore access and boating facilities.</td>
<td>A review process and policy development is currently been undertaken for dinghy’s in the LGA. In addition Council via participation in the Parramatta River Catchment Group advocates to improve foreshore access along the Parramatta River.</td>
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<td>4.2.09</td>
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<td>Review and administer the Section 94A Plan and implement any recommended outcomes</td>
<td>Review and implementation of the s7.12 Plan is required as the previous Plan is near expired/completed. The consultant has been engaged, project and review has commenced and progress project engaged with the preparation of the Plan due in the first half of 19/20. Briefing of Councillors and report for adoption for exhibition is scheduled for November 2019. Council adopted the draft Contribution Plan at its 16 December 2019 meeting.</td>
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<td>Encourage commercial development that is easily accessible by walking, riding, driving or public transport</td>
<td>See 4.2.02 for planning approach and 4.2.03 for actions on master planning, centres and place making. Review accessibility and transport provisions of Hunters Hill Development Control Plan and address as an action of the Local Strategic Planning Statement process. Accessible commercial centres and public spaces funding being considered in stage 2 of the Hunters Hill Contribution Plan (CPlan) project, which will focus on a development levy for centres. Stage 1 of the CPlan project, is the area-wide development levy and was adopted by Council on 16/12/2020.</td>
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<td>Public Places are vibrant and active</td>
<td>4.3.1</td>
<td>Ensure that new and existing voluntary planning agreements contain provisions for vibrant and active public places where applicable</td>
<td>Policy has been adopted. To date no VPA has been submitted to Council.</td>
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<td>4.3.2</td>
<td>Maintain public places to ensure they are clean and attractive</td>
<td>This is an ongoing action. Regular cleaning and graffiti removal is undertaken. The Gladesville CBD is cleaned by the City of Ryde Council under a service agreement.</td>
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<td>4.3.3</td>
<td>Ensure public spaces provide for a range of people and can be easily adapted to suit the changing needs of our community</td>
<td>Review of property strategy and booking systems for council facilities are underway.</td>
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<td>4.3.4</td>
<td>Continue to revitalise the Gladesville precinct as a commercial hub</td>
<td>Preparation of the LSPS and Gladesville Masterplan is underway. Gladesville Place making initiatives have also commenced with a Place Maker engaged to work with local businesses. The areas of the Master Plan have been broken down to 3 stages. Meeting with the land owners have been scheduled for Wednesday 4 February 2020 to review and discuss the draft Master plan.</td>
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<td>4.3.5</td>
<td>Liaise with the Main Street Committees and Chambers of Commerce to support and promote local businesses</td>
<td>The Main street Committees have met regularly to facilitate effective communication. Continuing to improve the communication and collaboration between Council, business community, community groups and the residents to enhance the centres productivity and usability.</td>
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<td>4.4.1</td>
<td>Ensure compliance with the Swimming Pool Act</td>
<td>Regular inspections are undertaken for swimming pools following requests for inspections for sale and leasing purposes. 14 inspections were undertaken for the quarter</td>
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<td>4.4.2</td>
<td>Provide animal management services that meet legislative requirements</td>
<td>As part of normal monitoring duties for Council Rangers. This is an ongoing service</td>
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<td>4.4.3</td>
<td>Conduct regular inspections of food premises</td>
<td>Approx. 149 food premises inspections were conducted (biannual inspections). Additional 1 Inspections from complaints were investigated. The second round of inspections are to commence, April 2020.</td>
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## FOCUS ON THE COMMUNITY

### Delivery Program Actions

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<td>Plans of Management reflect community need</td>
<td>5.1.1</td>
<td>Review plans of management for:</td>
<td>Both the draft Boronia Park and Riverglade Reserve Plans of Management (PoM) have been prepared. The draft Boronia Park PoM is currently on public exhibition until February 2020. The draft Riverglade Reserve PoM has been submitted to Crown Lands for approval to be placed on public exhibition.</td>
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<td>Council encourages a sense of belonging and connection to the local community</td>
<td>5.2.1</td>
<td>Conduct and regularly review an annual program of events</td>
<td>Events review and recommendations prepared for discussion. Relevant data regarding comms, suppliers, sustainability &amp; community involvement being compiled for each event.</td>
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*Figtree Park POM:* Public exhibition until February 2020. The draft Riverglade Reserve PoM has been submitted to Crown Lands for approval to be placed on public exhibition.
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| 5.2.2               |             | Support and facilitate community events/projects and initiatives that encourage community participation | • Council hosted Carols in the Park at Boronia Park Ovals. A local event featuring a family concert, food, fireworks, rides, visit by Santa. 9 Stalls, 6 local musical acts and a locally hosted charity drive for Salvation Army Bushfire Appeal. Approximately 3000 people attended during the afternoon and evening (4pm – 9pm)

- Clarkes Point Reserve (being the main site with estimated 8000 people over the evening).

- Kelly’s Bush

- Huntley’s Point

- Boronia Park Ovals (which included liaising with State Transit (buses) and Parking Provider (SABAC))

- Lookout Reserve (which included liaising with State Transit (buses) and Sydney Harbour Trust)

- Peninsula under control of Ryde Area Police Command

- Council also supported Happy Hens fundraising event. |
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<td>Support and facilitate initiatives and projects to promote local community groups</td>
<td>A Native Stingless Beehive was delivered to 1st Hunters Hill Scouts, who organised a promotional event for the community on Saturday 9 November 2019. A second Native Stingless Beehive was provided to The Happy Hens Social Enterprise in December, which is located at their community gardens on Henley Bowling Green.</td>
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<td>Assist Northern Sydney Aboriginal organisations and activities</td>
<td>Planning is expected to commence in Q3.</td>
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| 5.2.5               |             | Develop and implement a Youth Engagement Strategy | Engaged Frank to facilitate a Youth Forum with an outcome driven program.  
1. Frank to send copy and precedent images for the invite to students and schools  
2. Frank to send program of work – preplan, forum, 6 week follow up with successful school and delivery of outcomes  
3. 4 target high schools with 12 students from years 9 and 10 invited to attend with champion teacher.  
4. Students can self nominate or be selected. | ![Yellow Traffic Light] |
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| The community is informed and involved in decisions                              | 5.3.1       | Increase engagement through social media platforms and Council's website | The commencement of a Communications Officer in September has increased capacity to provide additional information and engagement through social media platforms and Council's website.  
This has included initiatives such as providing timely up-to-date information on community events such as New Year's Eve, which produced a spike in interaction with Council's website (>1900 sessions for a New Year's Eve information page on the website) and Facebook page (four posts with a total reach of >11,110) as community members sought and were provided with information about the event and associated arrangements (transport, road closures, facilities etc.) in the municipality.  
Expanding media offerings, such as videos to encourage community members to have their say on matters such as plans of management, have also increased engagement. Four videos encouraging the community to have its say on a Draft Boronia Park Plan of Management had a combined reach of 3800 through the Council's Facebook page.  
Take up of interactive forms and feedback channels on the website continues.       |


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<td>Improve community engagement (e.g. Councillors reinvigorate precinct forums and investigate community led governance)</td>
<td>Community engagement events held included:</td>
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- A Boronia Park pop-up interactive information session in October. It provided the community and key stakeholders with an opportunity to speak with Councillors as well as information on key elements of the draft Boronia Park Plan of Management. There were some robust discussions and many ideas were put forward about the future management of the park. This was in addition to public exhibition and feedback periods.

- A community meeting at Henley Community Centre Green in November. It provided an opportunity for community members to meet Councillors and provide feedback through a customer service portal. Information gathered will be used in areas such as improving customer service, developing policies, place work and plans of management.
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| 5.3.3               |             | Promote access to Customer Request Module (CRM) | Significant improvements to the customer experience have been made:  
* Standards in the Customer Request Management System have been reviewed to streamline business processes.  
* A review of all planning processes was completed in conjunction with integration into the State Government's e-planning portal, going live in Hunters Hill on 2 January 2020.  
* Implementation of the new Open Office Development Application module, expected to go live February 2020 and including online DA tracking and application details.  
* Implementation of the new Open Office Bookings module to enable online bookings of Council facilities, events and Duty Planner appointments. The module is expected to go live in February 2020. | ![Green Traffic Light] |
<p>| 5.3.4               |             | Conduct a Community Survey in July 2018 and bi-annually thereafter | Iris Survey completed. Presenting to council 21 Feb. | ![Blue Traffic Light] |</p>
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<td>5.3.5</td>
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<td>Distribute a quarterly hardcopy and e-Newsletter that informs and encourages community engagement</td>
<td>Newsletter printed and letterbox dropped, additional copies have been left in prominent community places such as shopping centres and cafes. Newsletters follow the new brand guideline.</td>
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<td>5.3.6</td>
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<td>Update and implement the Communication Policy</td>
<td>Work on the communication policy is on-going and includes a schedule of events and activities for the year ahead to keep the community informed and engaged about the work and achievements of Hunter's Hill Council.</td>
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<td>5.3.7</td>
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<td>Audit and review branding on all council publications to ensure residents are aware of Council initiatives</td>
<td>New branding and logo has been applied to Council's digital platforms (e.g. website, social media) as well as other assets such as DL postcards, flyers and a community newsletter and policies and reports, including the annual report. This is aimed at achieving a consistent look and feel so that the community is aware of, and familiar with, publications as being from Hunter's Hill Council.</td>
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<td>The library service is well organised and well supported</td>
<td>5.4.1</td>
<td>Continue to ensure that a high quality library service is provided to residents</td>
<td>Council resolved on 23 September to enter into a new Joint use Agreement with Lane Cove Council, at the expiration of the Joint use Agreement with the City of Ryde on 30 June 2020. Key activities in the last quarter: - securing a site in the Hunters Hill Village to be used as a base for library programs - commencement of planning to enable the smooth transition to Lane Cove as the service provider and for the establishment of a library program presence in Hunters Hill Village</td>
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<td>5.4.3</td>
<td>Promote library programs, services and events</td>
<td>Council promoted programs, services and events taking place at Gladesville Library through the website and social media. Council also publicised a new joint use agreement with Lane Cove, starting in 2020, which will provide Hunters Hill residents with access to Lane Cove resources, as well as a new series of library programs and events to be staged in Hunters Hill village. Future options for establishing a stand-alone library in the Hunters Hill local government area are also being explored.</td>
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<td>Council’s Social and Cultural Plans reflect community need</td>
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<td>Review and update the Hunters Hill Social and Cultural Plans</td>
<td>Scoping underway.</td>
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<td>Promote facilities and activities that promote and enhance cultural diversity</td>
<td>Council promotes and participates in cultural events across the NSROC region and maintains links with multicultural and Indigenous service organisations.</td>
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<td>Enhance the health and sense of wellbeing of the community at all life stages.</td>
<td>5.6.1</td>
<td>Promote and organise health and wellbeing campaigns and programs.</td>
<td>Council is co hosting the Urban Bush Dance as part of seniors week; is planning the youth summit 2020 and is working on free fitness classes. Council has supported the Happy Hens in hosting mental health week events in Henley.</td>
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<td>Work with health providers and local organisations to increase awareness of health and wellbeing issues</td>
<td>Continuing discussion with FACS on Act Early Act Often program. Development of Intergenerational Pilot Program.</td>
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<td>Services and facilities that are child, youth, family and age friendly are supported</td>
<td>5.7.1</td>
<td>Improve and maximise access to and use of parks, community, sporting and cultural facilities.</td>
<td>Councils continue to maintain easy access to parks and reserves to accommodate the community.</td>
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<td>Liaise with and support local children’s and age services providers</td>
<td>Regular Childrens Services forums held, in 2020 will be outcome focused. Working with IRT on Village Talks Incursions and excursions Working with Sydney Community Services on the Urban Bush Dance and ongoing support. Creating Intergenerational Pilot Study to reduce social isolation in the community. 2 page spread promoting Seniors festival - free advertising offered to services and businesses servicing our aged population in Feb. Regular hosting of Access, Inclusion and Seniors Advisory Committee meetings</td>
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<p>| Council provides accessible services and facilities to residents of all abilities | 5.8.1 | Implement the Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP) | DIAP is currently being fully reviewed as at 50% mark. This will be presented succinctly at committee meeting and councillor strategy weekend. DIAP is being addressed at leadership team meetings regularly, and lifted into focus. | ![Green status with checkmark] |</p>
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<td>Review the use of open spaces, parks, reserves, playgrounds in line with DIAP, POMs and Council’s Asset Management Plans</td>
<td>Both the draft Boronia Park and Riverglade Reserve Plans of Management (PoM) have been prepared. The draft Boronia Park PoM is currently on public exhibition until February 2020. The draft Riverglade Reserve PoM has been submitted to Crown Lands for approval to be placed on public exhibition.</td>
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<td>Hunter’s Hill Council incorporates Universal Design Principles into its plans and documents</td>
<td>Playground strategy prepared in draft for FEB 2020, is measured against the Everyone Can Play guidelines created by the NSW Government. Reg Services and Development are providing team opportunity to review community impacting applications with a UD focus.</td>
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<td>5.8.4</td>
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<td>Organise events to celebrate seniors week</td>
<td>Grant for $1,000 received towards “Celebrating Urban Bush” Seniors event, which will be held in the Hunters Hill Town Hall on Tuesday 18 February 2020. Planning for this event is on track. Council is compiling a calendar of local events for Seniors to link in with the celebrations during NSW Seniors Festival from Wednesday 12 February - Sunday 23 February 2020, and local groups have been invited to provide information to include their activities.</td>
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<td>5.8.5</td>
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<td>Work with local organisations and residents to assist disadvantaged residents and reduce social isolation.</td>
<td>Community groups and organisations have been asked to express interest in participating in an intergenerational pilot. Council is working on a pilot pitch with community organisations, the desired outcome would see council supporting a project to kick off a similar program to “One Good Street” in Hunters Hill. Funding to be allocated to a pilot that will bring organisations together - IRT, Montefiore, Sydney Community Services and workshop what works and what does not. Pilot will connect volunteers with social isolated residents utilising the Mable platform. HHC would be the first location for this innovative pilot.</td>
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<td>5.8.6</td>
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<td>Maximise access to and usage of Council’s community and sporting facilities</td>
<td>Councils continue to maintain easy access to parks and reserves to accommodate the community</td>
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<td>Council provides a diverse and well supported arts and cultural program</td>
<td>5.9.1</td>
<td>Promote Hunters Hill as a destination for arts and culture</td>
<td>Council hosted Young In Art from 23/10/19 to 27/10/19 at the Hunters Hill Town Hall. With artwork from 8 local schools (4 x Primary, 4 x Secondary), prizes were presented for Junior and Senior Sections, group work, Year / Grades. Young in Art showcases the creative and artistic local talent of the future. Approximately 200 people attended the Opening Night, with 70 - 100 plus attendees for each day of the exhibition. Judged by two local artists who had been finalists and / prize winners in the Hunters Hill Art Exhibition earlier in the year. Local musical acts were given opportunities to perform at Council events. In Q3 this included community and school musicians, bands, dancers and choirs at Carols in the Park, Young in Art, Citizenship ceremonies, Volunteers Morning Tea and the Mayor’s Christmas Party. Council encourages cultural use of the Town Hall with the Hunters Hill Theatre and Hunters Hill Music Society holding performances there in Q3. Arts program is currently being reviewed for 2020.</td>
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<td>5.9.2</td>
<td>Review public art policy and list and promote public art installations</td>
<td>Council has developed a public art map which has been published to our website. An implementation strategy has been drafted. Council will continue to work with the public art committee to develop and deliver more opportunities for public art. Council has invested in a mural on Massey lane as part of the Love Gladesville project and has plans for additional sites.</td>
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<td>Council builds social networks and cohesion</td>
<td>5.10.1</td>
<td>Support regional strategies to improve service provision for residents of non-English speaking backgrounds</td>
<td>Council continues to support multicultural service delivery and will seek opportunities.</td>
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<td>Support awards and initiatives that promote the contribution made by volunteers to community life</td>
<td>The Volunteers morning tea was held in November and hosted by Corp Services. Community Services will take care of this event going forward. An email database of all community groups is being updated, with correct contacts. Australia Day Awards were held and Citizen awards honouring the contribution of people in the local community. Communications were sent out following the event congratulating winners.</td>
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<td>Foster and promote volunteering programs that support community, cultural,</td>
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<td>Provide annual community service grants to local organisations</td>
<td>Council received 15 Community Grant Applications by the deadline of 1 October 2019. A subcommittee of Councillors met on Monday 18 November 2019 to review the applications. A report went to Council on 25 November 2019 recommending that all applicants receive the funding they requested, which totaled $11,976. It was resolved at the meeting that these funds be allocated as recommended, and payments were made to the applicants in November and December 2019.</td>
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<td>Inform residents about community safety and encourage residents to report any safety issues</td>
<td>Council has promoted safety initiatives, such as child safety seat checks and teaching learner driver programs, via website and social media channels, as well as flyers in the customer service area. The website also provides interactive channels through which community members can report safety issues to Council.</td>
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ITEM NO : 4.5

SUBJECT : INVITATION TO ENDORSE THE FINAL PARRAMATTA RIVER MASTERPLAN

STRATEGIC OUTCOME : OUR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT IS PROTECTED, AND ENHANCED FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

ACTION : PROTECT AND MONITOR WATERWAYS AND IMPROVE WATER QUALITY

REPORTING OFFICER : JACQUI VOLLMER

PURPOSE
To seek Council’s endorsement of the final Parramatta River Masterplan and support for its implementation.

RECOMMENDATION
1. That the report be received and noted;
2. That Council formally endorses the final Parramatta River Masterplan and;
3. That Council writes to the Parramatta River Catchment Group with a formal endorsement of the Masterplan and support for its implementation.

BACKGROUND
Hunters Hill Council has been a member of the Parramatta River Catchment Group (PRCG) since 2008. The PRCG is an alliance of local and state government agencies and the community sharing the common mission to make Parramatta River swimmable again by 2025. Financial members include Blacktown City Council, Burwood Council, City of Canterbury-Bankstown, City of Canada Bay, City of Parramatta, City of Ryde, Cumberland Council, Hunters Hill Council, Inner West Council, Strathfield Council, Sydney Water, NSW Department of Planning and Environment and NSW Environment Protection Authority.

REPORT
The draft Parramatta River Masterplan was successfully launched for public exhibition on Thursday 18th October, 2019, and remained open for public comment until Thursday 29th November, 2019. 195 community surveys and 8 formal submissions were lodged during the 6-week exhibition period. Development of the Masterplan was a highly collaborative process that involved 35 organisations and gained input from over 15,000 people on various aspects of the Plan. Hunter’s Hill Council has been actively involved in every phase of the development of the Masterplan.

The final Masterplan can be downloaded at http://www.ourlivingriver.com.au/our-plan/parramatta-river-masterplan/ and includes actions under the following ten recommendations:

1. Maintain, improve and promote the four current swim sites in the Parramatta River (being Lake Parramatta, Cabarita Park Beach, Chiswick Baths and Dawn Fraser Baths).

2. Agree and progress the establishment of the Riverwatch monitoring program for the Parramatta River.
3 Establish three new swimming sites in the River by 2025.
4 Establish a whole of catchment land use policy and statutory planning mechanisms.
5 Adopt a regional approach to the installation, maintenance and reporting of stormwater infrastructure and water sensitive urban design (WSUD) infrastructure. City of Parramatta and Sydney Water have commenced work on this step.
6 Improve water quality outcomes through targeted wet weather overflow management, focused on those overflows impacting existing and proposed swimming sites.
7 Undertake joint community education and compliance activities focused on reducing stormwater and point pollution where it is linked to community behaviour and actions.
8 Maintain, improve and create new habitats for the Parramatta River catchment’s five iconic species (mascots) as indicators of water quality and catchment health.
9 Undertake regular monitoring and report annually to stakeholders and the community on progress towards the Parramatta River Masterplan.
10 Establish a more effective whole-of-government approach to the governance of the Parramatta River Masterplan led Sydney Water as the lead coordinating agency.

Lead agencies have been nominated for each of the ten steps. Implementation of the Masterplan by the PRCG is consistent with the following key strategic documents:

- **North Sydney District Plan**, Greater Sydney Commission:
  i. Planning Priority N15 – Protecting and improving the health and enjoyment of Sydney Harbour and the District’s waterways, including the Parramatta River and;
  ii. Planning Priority N16 – Protecting and enhancing bushland and biodiversity.

- **Hunters Hill Council Community Strategic Plan – Manage and Preserve Our Environment** – Improve the protection of foreshores and waterways and; protect and monitor waterways and improve water quality.

- **Parramatta River Coastal Zone Management Plan 2013**

Progress on the Masterplan was reported to and endorsed by the PRCG Full Group at every quarterly meeting. Councillor Ross Williams and Jacqui Vollmer attend these meetings. Sydney Water, in consultation with the PRCG, has been developing an online ‘dashboard’ that will track the progress of each of the ‘Ten Steps to a Living River’ outlined above that form the basis of the Parramatta River Masterplan.

In addition Council staff have attended the stormwater, biodiversity, estuary, regulatory and education sub-committees. These committees have delivered important projects including: the “Get the Site Right” campaign, which targets erosion and sediment control on construction and building sites as well as aiming to raise awareness about the effects of sediment laden run-off on our waterways; and the “Our Living Catchment Native Habitats and Fauna” Study which maps biodiversity corridors and priority restoration sites within the Parramatta River catchment.
CONCLUSION
An economic analysis has been undertaken to demonstrate the overall economic benefits of returning the Parramatta River to swimmable conditions and to inform the funding models and business case to deliver the Masterplan.

Development of the Parramatta River Masterplan was funded by the PRCG, through membership fees and additional major contributions from key state government agencies. Implementation of the Masterplan will be shared across all agencies, with Sydney Water as the lead coordinating agency. Sydney Water has committed approximately $500K per year over the next 5 years to lead delivery, which has provided for 3 FTE and some operational funds.

The PRCG membership fees increased in 2019-20 financial year by 50% to bring the PRCG Coordinator role from a part time 0.3 FTE to 1 FTE and to provide less reliance on grant funds for the Riverkeeper role. At the last PRCG full-group meeting it was decided an annual increase in line with the 2.6% rate peg increase would allow the PRCG to keep step with rising annual costs. PRCG will seek grant funds and further partnerships to lead Steps 7 and 8 of the Masterplan. There isn’t any further planned increase in membership fees.

FINANCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT
There is no direct financial impact on Council’s adopted budget as a result of this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT
There is no direct environmental impact on Council arising from Council consideration of this matter. Implementation of the ‘Ten Steps to a Living River’ will lead to improved water quality in the Parramatta River.

SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT
There is no direct social impact on Council arising from Council consideration of this matter.

RISK ASSESSMENT
There are no direct or indirect risks impacting on Council arising from consideration of this matter.

ATTACHMENTS
1. The Parramatta River Masterplan
DUBA, BUDU, BARRA
TEN STEPS TO A LIVING RIVER
THE PARRAMATTA RIVER MASTERPLAN
RECOGNITION OF THE RIVER’S TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS

We would like to acknowledge the Aboriginal traditional custodians of the land on which we gather. Their lore, traditions and customs have led to the bountiful land, rivers and ocean we all enjoy today. We would like to acknowledge all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders living on the land today.

Aboriginal people have had a custodial role with the Parramatta River and the land surrounding and under it since time immemorial. For the estimated 20 family groups, scientific explorations have dated their occupation to around 30,000 years. Aboriginal oral history tracks the changing body of the river itself from a small creek tracing the valley floor to the large scale body of water that has flooded the valley to form the river as it is today.

It is internationally recognised that Aboriginal nations manage land and waterways as living entities. As living entities, rivers have a body and spirit and require nourishment and care. We recognise the Parramatta River as a living entity, and the importance of Aboriginal leadership in the management of the Parramatta River and the lands surrounding it.

Aboriginal principles of biodiversity, water quality management and controlling the speed and flow of water together forms the template for the sustainable preservation and protection of the land and waterways. These principles are based in belief, traditions, customs and practices.

Aboriginal knowledge of creeks, flood plains, mudflats and water run off that feeds into the Parramatta River will support water quality and ecological objectives within this Masterplan.

Aboriginal understanding of water-based activities will provide insight into future access to the river either in the form of swimming, water craft use or access to resources like the harvesting of plants and marine animals.

DUBA, BUDU, BARRA (land, water and sky)

Aboriginal people hold a unique knowledge of the land, waterways, weather, climate and oceans that has been built up over tens of thousands of years. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people acknowledge and refer to land, waterways, star maps and seasons as “Earth Beings” – beings that are alive, capable of decisions, interact with these around, and are distinct and independent but still hold a level of dependence on others for their survival.

This integrated approach understands the intricate nature of the interactions between entities and is key to protecting cultural heritage, preserving cultural development and creating the right balance points for thriving ecosystems.

The holistic approach of the Parramatta River Masterplan addresses DUBA (LAND) – developments, water systems, regeneration of biodiversity and stabilisation of river banks; BUDU (WATER) – feeding creeks and catchments, surface water, flow speed, and the river body itself; and BARRA (SKY) – the weather, calendar systems, climate, and day and night.

Aboriginal nations have successfully continued their cultural practices to maintain the custodial role in managing the DUBA, BUDU, BARRA, and we acknowledge and prioritise their important historical, present and future roles in breathing life into and creating sustainability on Country.

Image courtesy of Barron Shale Shala Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation.
FROM OUR CHAIR

Wildlife has come back to the river and we are already swimming naturally at four sites along the river.

The Parramatta River is at the heart and soul of our region. The river’s shores are set for another period of change, with the burgeoning Greater Parramatta & Olympic Peninsula corridor now named the ‘Central River City’. Our scientific modelling shows that water quality can be improved even with predicted development but that additional management is needed to achieve this. The implementation of this ten-step plan will deliver the changes needed to do more for the river and its surrounds, rather than looking back 20 years with regret.

The Parramatta River Masterplan is the culmination of years of collaboration with our many partners and the community, and we sincerely thank the thousands of people and organisations who have been involved in its development. Robust science, collaboration, cultural sensitivity and community decision-making are at the heart of this plan to ensure that we deliver real outcomes for our living river and its communities.

This plan, of course, is only the beginning. We all have a role in making the river swimable again. So, let’s dive in and make it real together.

Mark Drury
Chair of the Parramatta River Catchment Group

SYDNEY DESERVES A WORLD-CLASS RIVER

Our goal is to make it happen by 2025. And it’s going swimmingly.

Four swimming sites are already open. The most recent is Lake Parramatta, which we opened in 2015 as part of this initiative. Twelve new sites have been scoped, with investigations on water quality, swim safety, ecological health and community interest informing the preferred options at each.

Five river health mascots have been identified and voted by the community. If we help them thrive, then our river will thrive too.

Fourteen organisations have led the cause, supported by local communities and many other partners.

And now, we have this ten-step Masterplan which sets out our agreed actions to turn our vision into reality.
NOW IS THE TIME

We have a once in a lifetime opportunity to make our river swimmable again.

Sydney is changing rapidly and the Parramatta River is at the heart of that change. Development is booming, with high and medium density housing across the catchment predicted to increase by 64% and 58% respectively by 2025. We know that the river has been improving over the last few decades. We also know that if we do nothing, the new pressures placed on Sydney’s infrastructure will likely see the river degrade.

The future can go two ways:
1. If we continue to manage the river and its catchment in the way we do, water quality and river health is predicted to worsen as the city grows.
2. If we improve our management, water quality and river health will continue to improve, and the river will be swimmable again.

That’s what this Masterplan is about. It’s a plan for action that will improve the river’s shores and clean its waters. In doing so, we will create a home for nature and an oasis for the millions of people who live near it.
TEN STEPS TO
A LIVING RIVER

Our plan to make the Parramatta River swimmable again by 2025.

1. GET SWIMMING
There are already four places you can swim in the river.

2. KEEP WATCH
Put a Riverwatch water monitoring program in place.

3. CREATE NEW SWIMMING SPOTS
Our goal is to create three new ones by 2025.

4. STANDARDISE THE STANDARDS
Create consistent policies and practices across all catchment councils.

5. REDUCE RUNOFF
And, in doing so, reduce the rubbish and pollution flowing into the river.

6. IMPROVE OVERFLOWS
So, when it rains, sewage doesn’t end up in the river.

7. INVOLVE THE COMMUNITY
Everyone has a role to play in keeping the river clean.

8. BRING IN NATURE
A truly living river needs people, fish, birds, bats, frogs, turtles and plant life.

9. REPORT BACK REGULARLY
To keep track of progress and involve everyone in the journey.

10. CREATE CLEAR LEADERSHIP
A collaborative effort across all our agencies, with Sydney Water as lead, will ensure success.
THREE NEW SWIM SITES BY 2025

By 2025, our local communities will be able to enjoy a swim or a splash at three new swimming sites along the Parramatta River.

Bayview Park, Concord
Bayview Park is bordered by the Hen and Chicken Bay Foreshore Walk, which offers stunning views of the Parramatta River. There is ample tree shade, covered picnic tables, barbecues and toilets, as well as a beautiful, sandy beach where children can play in the sand and explore the rock pools at low tide. Plans are now underway to allow natural river swimming with the addition of a new netted swimming area, shower and public water quality reporting.

Mcdwaine Park, Rhodes East
Mcdwaine Park is located in Rhodes and looks out onto Bayley Bay. The park is a very popular recreational spot with picnic tables, barbecues, toilets, play equipment and parking. Kayaking, canoeing, paddle boarding and other water-based activities will also soon become a common sight on Bayley Bay under plans to activate the riverfront area through upgrades to the adjacent foreshore and construction of a new jetty.

Putney Park, Putney
Putney Park is a large, regional park that features playgrounds for older and younger children, splash pools, a huge slide, extensive grass and natural areas, barbecue and picnic facilities and ample parking. It links to the Ryde River Walk and is a popular place for events. By 2019, the existing seawall will be upgraded, providing a series of sandstone steps down to the shore and the river, with activation towards natural swimming to follow.
PART 1:
THE PARRAMATTA RIVER
THE PARRAMATTA RIVER CATCHMENT

The Parramatta River is one of Australia's most iconic waterways.

For Indigenous Australians, it served as a centre of life for tens of thousands of years.

When Sydney was colonised, it became the central piece of the new city, with farms and settlements stretching up the river to Parramatta and beyond. It is and has long been Sydney's lifeline and backbone.

The catchment area itself covers 266 km², extending from Blacktown Creek in the west to the Lane Cove River in the east.

The river is freshwater down to the Charles Street weir in the Parramatta CBD, from there it becomes estuarine—a mix of salty and fresh water, becoming saltier the further you travel downstream.

The catchment area is currently home to over 750,000 people from all walks of life and it's growing fast. So while the catchment is part of Sydney's history, it is also a new home to many Australians.

The catchment spans eleven local government areas: Blacktown, Bunnaw, Canada Bay, Canterbury Bankstown, Cumberland, Hunters Hill, Inner West, Parramatta, Ryde, Strathfield and The Hills Shire.

Where does our rainwater go?

The Parramatta River is big, but its catchment is a lot bigger. Every creek, gutter or stormwater drain that leads to the river forms part of the catchment. So, everything that we do within the catchment affects our ability to swim in the Parramatta River.

This includes what we do in our homes, backyards, streets, schools, workplaces and parks. Every time we build a building or design a new urban area, we affect the quality of water that runs off it and so the quality of the water in the river.
OUR RIVER
OUR RESPONSIBILITY

Everyone who lives, works and plays within the catchment has a role to play in making it swimmable again. In doing so, we also make our local creeks, rivers, wetlands and lakes cleaner and better places to love and enjoy in different ways.

Find out how you can help at:
www.ourlivingriver.com.au
A SACRED AND SPECIAL RIVER

The Parramatta River is regarded as a living entity by Aboriginal people both in spirit and body. It has been witnessed in many forms over thousands of years from a small creek following the valley floor to its current form filling the valley. The river and land surrounding it remain to this day an encyclopaedia for Aboriginal people maintaining dreaming storylines, culture and traditions.

Agriculture and aquaculture were key to the establishment of successful and sustainable Aboriginal society prior to 1788. The Parramatta River was also a key travel route to access trade and continue culture and was a key factor in colonial farmers being shown and creating crops along the river in the Parramatta region.

At the time of English settlement, sources describe the landscape as already having large agricultural fields of grain and yams, amongst other productions, which started near the Drummoyne area and extended west and north. In addition, there was large eel farming, rocky outcrops for shellfish and obstacles placed strategically in the river to slow the water flow and create habitats for the balanced production of the river environment. The production of rock pools, intricate weaving of large nets, manufacture of tools (e.g. clay bricks, hooks, spears etc.) and cooking facilities (e.g. large ovens near eel farms) all created a complex and overlapping social network and communal culture.

Even though the area around the Parramatta River has been highly developed, many significant Aboriginal sites remain, including middens, sites, carvings, burial sites, points of conflict, breeding areas and flood overflow zones. The region is well known to Aboriginal people and changes made to the landscape have not affected their recall of the river’s use, history and impact.


WHO IS BEHIND THIS MASTERPLAN?

Parramatta River Catchment Group

Development of the Parramatta River Masterplan has been led by the Parramatta River Catchment Group (PRCG), with substantial input and support from stakeholders and community members from across the catchment.

The PRCG is an alliance of councils, government agencies and community groups who are together working to improve the Parramatta River and the creeks that flow into it. The PRCG drives strategic actions through planning and research, coordination, advocacy, monitoring and reporting, communications and engagement – all to create a healthy river and enable Sydney-siders to once again enjoy the waters of this iconic river.

Our financial members include:

Our Associate (non-financial) members include:

Other key organisations who have contributed to the development of this Masterplan include:

William Leveque Wetland, Blacktown
Our Living River

In 2014, the Parramatta River Catchment Group launched Our Living River with a new vision, purpose and mission.

Our Vision
We believe Sydney deserves a world-class river.

Our Purpose
To make Parramatta River a living river.

Our Mission
To make Parramatta River swimmable again by 2025.
WHAT IS A LIVING RIVER?

A living river is one where people and wildlife can swim, splash or simply enjoy time on the shores of the river and creeks that flow into it. It means thriving ecosystems on the river banks and below the water.

We asked our partners and community what a living river means to them. Here is what they told us:

AN ENGAGED COMMUNITY
that loves and cares for their waterways.

CLEAN, CLEAR WATER
that is safe and supports life in the river.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES
enabling thriving local businesses due to the river’s popularity.

HEALTHY ECOSYSTEMS
in the river, the catchment and natural creeks.

EASE OF ACCESS
through improved public transport and connected cycleways and walkways.

QUALITY FACILITIES
for events, leisure, recreation and family fun.

We have considered all of these elements in our ten-step plan.
A GLOBAL MOVEMENT

There's a global movement to make city rivers the centres of life like they once were. Now it's Sydney's turn.

Copenhagen
Harbour Bath offers an urban harbour landscape with dry-docks, piers, boat ramps, cliffs, playgrounds and pontoons, making it possible for the citizens of Copenhagen to go for a swim in the middle of the city.

Berlin
This out of the ordinary swimming pool is called The Badeschiff, which is created from recycled cargo containers and floats on the River Spree in Berlin.

London
Thames Baths is a proposal for a floating swimming pool in the River Thames that incorporates the tidal waters of the river, which will be clean enough to bathe in after the arrival of London's new sewage tunnel.

New York
*POOL* is an initiative to build the world's first water-filtering floating pool. The design filters the very river that it floats in through the pool's walls, making it possible for New Yorkers to swim in clean river water for the first time in 100 years.
"I used to swim in the Parramatta River, make rafts from the Bamboo that was growing near Drummoyne wharf, sail in P1's, look for crabs and shells and loved growing up there. Dad has a rowing board and used it to set fishing traps and catch leather jackets and blue swimmer crabs."

"Our family all learned to swim at the old Cabarita Baths (no lessons — self taught) and we spent many happy hours paddling around the shores of Mortlake and Cabarita."

In 1926, a Meadowbank Art Union Raffle offered over £4000 pounds of prizes (equivalent to over $300,000 today) to help "purchase hours of health and happiness for 30,000 young Australians. The Art Union is to provide funds for the erection of baths at Meadowbank for free use of the Children."

"In the school holidays in 1944, I attended swimming lessons held in the Meadowbank baths. My memory is that they were held for 2 weeks and the time had to be adjusted because of the tides."
A BRIEF HISTORY

When could you swim in the river and when did it stop? Let history be your guide...

Aboriginal people use and enjoy the Parramatta River. British settlement commences in 1788.

1791

Wetlands along the Parramatta River are drained and filled to create farm and arable land.

1830s

First ferry service begins with services often terminating at Ryde. Ferry trips to Parramatta cease in 1928 due to silting and shallowing.

1850s

Industrialisation begins to see illegal dumping of soil and rubbish in the river.

1880–1930s

Introduction of the Clean Waters Act to improve water quality. Increased awareness sees plans for river improvement and relocation of waterfront factories.

Early 1900s

New sites along the Parramatta River are open for swimming, and monitored and reported via a new Waterwatch program.

2015

Lake Parramatta is officially re-opened for swimming 72 years after its closure. It attracts more than 12,000 visitors in the first summer season.

2018

Twenty-two swimming baths are established along the Parramatta River. Rowing and sailing also become very popular with thousands of spectators at river events.

2025

Water quality in the river becomes a health risk. Most river swimming baths close.

2008

Parramatta becomes a main metropolis.

2006

Commercial fishing ban for all areas west of the Sydney Harbour Bridge due to heavy metal accumulation in fish.

2006

Upper Parramatta River Catchment Trust resolves critical flooding issues in the upper catchment and works towards swimming at Lake Parramatta.

2005

Clean Waterways Program provides investment and coordination in waterway improvements.

1989–1994

Beachwatch established in response to public concern over the level of sewage at Sydney’s ocean beaches.

1989

Launch of the Parramatta River Masterplan at the International Rivers Symposium.
CHANGING CITY
CHANGING RIVER

Sydney is changing, and the Parramatta River is at the centre of this change. It is the geographic centre of Sydney and flows through the heart of one of the fastest growing regions in Australia.

Indeed, it is the centrepiece of what is now being called Sydney's 'Central River City' in the three city vision for greater Sydney.

Until the 1950s, the Parramatta River was the focal point for many social and recreational activities. However, lack of regulation and rapid industrial development caused water quality to decline, leading to the closure of many popular river swimming spots.

Regulation and technology have now advanced, and houses and businesses have replaced many of the old industrial sites along the river's shores. As a result, the condition of the river has been improving and interest in a healthy, swimable river has renewed.

Planning for change
Making the river swimable again is inherently connected to the liveability goals of greater Sydney. It is specifically referenced in key state planning documents, including three District Plans and the Greater Parramatta and the Olympic Peninsula Plan.

Planning Priority C13 in the District Plans includes sections on both Parramatta River and Duck River. It specifically references the Parramatta River Masterplan.

Direction 11 in the Greater Parramatta and the Olympic Peninsula Plan is to "Make Parramatta River a great living waterway and connector, where people enjoy walking, cycling and safe swimming."

A CHANGING CLIMATE

Sydney is getting hotter, and the further west you go the hotter it gets. This means, in future, we will need more places to cool down.

The Parramatta River and the local creeks that flow into it provide important, natural places for both people and wildlife in need of refuge from the heat.

In 2017:

- Parramatta had 22 more days above 35°C than it did in 1967.

- Parramatta had 16 more days above 35°C than Sydney CBD did in the same year.
WHERE YOU CAN SWIM NOW

Is it possible to swim in the river again? Yes, it’s already happening. There are four swimming spots you can already swim safely at in the river: Cabarita Park beach, Chiswick Baths, Dawn Fraser Baths and Lake Parramatta. The more you swim at these sites, the more you show the need to create new swimming spots along the river.

**Cabarita Park beach**
Cabarita Park Beach is a wide, sandy beach bordered by rocks at either end. It is located by a beautiful park bordered with great amenities, which provided a glorious lunch stop on our inaugural Parramatta River Source to Sea traveling journey in May 2016.

**Chiswick Baths**
Since the launch of the Our Living River campaign, the profile of Chiswick baths as a local swimming spot has increased. The City of Canada Bay has responded with installing a new shower, establishing a range of clean-up activities and holding two Family Fun Days at the site.

**Dawn Fraser Baths**
Dawn Fraser Baths, built in the 1980s, is the oldest pool and swimming club in Australia. The baths structure is listed on the National Trust and on the Register of the National Estate. A major upgrade is currently underway to improve accessibility and restore the original heritage buildings.

**Lake Parramatta**
Since it was opened in 2015, the popularity of swimming at Lake Parramatta has increased creating opportunities for additional infrastructure to improve access and facilities such as additional parking, a new playground, a BBQ facility, renovating deck and paved access to the swimming site.
LAKE PARRAMATTA –
OUR FIRST SUCCESS STORY

Lake Parramatta is our biggest success story to date. It opened for swimming on Australia Day 2015. Here’s how we made it happen.

1855
Lake Parramatta created by construction of a dam wall across Nintindirrri, one of the tributaries of the Parramatta River. The lake becomes a popular swimming area, with thousands of visitors every summer and events such as swimming carnivals, fundraisers and life-saving exhibitions.

1942
Local council bans swimming due to concerns about pollution caused by increasing urbanisation in the Lake’s catchment area and drawdowns of the Lake.

1970–1980s
Sewage and stormwater pollution slowly brought under control.

1990–2000s
Scientific and other work show the lake could be made swimmable again. Tentative efforts made to return swimming under controlled circumstances, such as special events.

2014
Efforts to open the lake for swimming accelerated by the launch of the mission to make the Parramatta River swimmable again.

2015
On 24 January, Lake Parramatta is re-opened for public swimming, 72 years and 94 days after its closure. In its first seasons, it attracts more than 12,000 visitors.

2017/18
In its fourth season, visitation grows to more than 80,000 swimmers.

Today
Lake Parramatta is one of the most popular swimming spots in inland Sydney with thousands of visitors every year.

TripAdvisor rates it 4.5 stars – one of the top three things to do in Parramatta. It has earned a Certificate of Excellence.

Water quality is monitored by a comprehensive program and is publicly reported on the City of Parramatta Council website.

A boat hire business has been established and the café is thriving. City of Parramatta Council has put in new facilities and infrastructure to service the growing number of visitors, including more car parking, a new playground and BBQ facility, new viewing platform and an improved path leading down to the swimming side.
PART 2:
DEVELOPING
THE MASTERPLAN
HOW DID WE COME TO THE TEN STEPS?

The Masterplan has been designed based on scientific studies and community consultation.

From the very beginning, we have involved our community in decision-making for this Masterplan. Thousands of people have been involved in its development in some way. The more you tell us, the better it gets.

We have also consulted widely among the many stakeholders with the expertise, legislative power and influence to make it happen.

We have done this via:
- Parramatta River Catchment Group Full Group quarterly meetings
- Parramatta River Masterplan Reference Group biannual meetings
- Cross-agency Technical Groups for each of the seven key work streams.

6700 votes for a favourite swimming site
12 shortlisted future swimming sites
5000 votes for a favourite river mascot
5 confirmed mascots
1500 residents surveyed
12 on-site focus groups
66 Active Riverkeepers helping make the river swimmable
158 site desirability surveys
9 stakeholder workshops involving 24 agencies
5 PRCG community representatives
1000s of people at our events and stalls
In Stage 1 of the Masterplan, we gathered evidence on water quality, community interest, swimming site activation and ecological health to develop an understanding of what makes a river swimmable.

In Stage 2 we focused on using evidence gathered during Stage 1 to make decisions on the actions, pathways and targets needed to form the final Masterplan.

The reports for each of the above work streams are the backbone of this Masterplan. They provide the detailed background research, action plans and processes behind each of the ten steps.

The vast library of research-based documents that has helped direct this Masterplan is available for download at www.outiingriver.com.au.

This process aligns with the Risk-based framework for considering waterway health outcomes in strategic land-use planning decisions (2017) developed by the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage and Environment Protection Authority. This approach considers links between development, waterway health and the community’s assess and values of the waterways, and is consistent with the ISO risk management standard.
WHAT OUR COMMUNITY TOLD US

Community Research

To succeed in our mission of a swimmable river, we needed to understand how the community feel about swimming in the Parramatta River and what it means to them, so we can establish active, well-used swimming spots that meet community wants and needs.

We asked more than 1100 residents from across the 11 local government areas in the Parramatta River catchment about their current behaviour around water, barriers to swimming in the river, preferences for swimming site activation and appetite for recreation in the Parramatta River.

The research confirmed that people want a more convenient, natural swimming location. Residents also highlighted the importance of sites as more than places just to swim but as places to play, exercise, picnic or simply escape the urban bustle.

Interestingly, people in offshore council areas showed a particularly high level of interest in swimming in the Parramatta River. This included residents from Strathfield, Cumberland, Blacktown and The Hills Shire.

Relevant documents
- Parramatta River Masterplan Community Research
- Community Research summary infographic

These reports can be downloaded at: www.ourlivingriver.com.au.
WHERE TO SWIM NEXT

Swimming site activation

Choosing the right places to invest our time and efforts is crucial to a smooth rollout that delivers what the community wants. Not all places with good water quality are safe for swimming, and not all safe places have the shore infrastructure in place to make them easy for people to access. Here’s how we have chosen which parts of the river to prioritise for each activity.

Firstly, we shortlisted 12 potential swimming sites.

We engaged the community and local foreshore councils to identify potential sites where people want to swim along the Parramatta River.

Over 6000 community votes were lodged for a favourite swimming site. Twelve potential new swimming sites were shortlisted. This initial selection was based on community interest and willingness of land owners to activate and manage the site.

1. Lake Parramatta
2. Little Coogee
3. Parramatta CBD
4. Macquarie Street Bridge
5. Silverwater Park
6. Mundoilak
7. Meadowbank
8. Riverview Park
9. Kissing Point Park
10. Putney Park
11. Cabarita Park Beach
12. Regatta Bay
13. Quarantine Reserve
14. Henley Beach
15. Chirrunka Bath
16. Cullen Park
17. Dixon Fraser Bath

In simple terms, how risky is the location?

To understand this, we asked:

- If the water quality is good now, will it stay that way throughout the year?
- Are there dangerous things under the water?
- Is the water clear enough to see dangerous things under the water?
- Are there any dangerous currents?
- Is the river edge easy to get in and out of?
- Is the site heritage restricted?

Desirability

In other words, how many people will use the site if we spend the time and effort to open it?

To answer this, we asked:

- Is it easy to get to by car, bike, public transport and foot?
- Is there lots of open space to relax and spend time?
- Is there shade and grass?
- Are there places to sit and eat?
- Is there a strong local council or other organisation that will take responsibility for the site?
- Does the community want it to happen?

We used this framework to assess each of our 12 shortlisted sites as well as the four current swimming sites.
Finally, we asked our communities to help assess the sites.

A qualified urban planner undertook full, high level assessments at each site. We also held on-site community focus groups at all 12 potential swimming sites. A further 131 people completed online site desirability surveys. This gave us an excellent insight into what people love and don't love about the current sites and what they would like to see there in future.

We also explored precedents from Australia and internationally to provide inspiration for different types of possible site activations.

In August, 2017, all of this work was then reviewed at a 'swimming site prioritisation and interventions' stakeholder workshop to further refine and agree on the preferred types of activation for each site.

We also engaged specifically with Aboriginal communities to better understand how cultural heritage can be protected and promoted at the sites proposed, and to identify alternative locations that are culturally appropriate to the type of water access proposed.

Now we have this framework, we can use it to assess other sites along the river as they are nominated.

Relevant documents:
- Parramatta River Aboriginal Leadership Report
- Parramatta River Swimming Site Activation Framework
- Parramatta River Masterplan Stakeholder and Community Engagement Report
- Swimming Site Activation Overview
- Where can we swim by 2025? Parramatta River Water Quality Modelling Report

These reports can be downloaded at www.ourlivingriver.com.au.
WATER QUALITY

A swimmable river needs clean water.

To make the water cleaner, we first need to understand what impacts its cleanliness now and how we can improve it. After all, the Parramatta River has a history of contamination stretching back to European colonisation.

Today, it continues to be polluted by industrial and municipal waste, as well as urban stormwater and sewerage systems.

To overcome this, we undertook a series of technical studies to understand:

1. What, how and when we need to monitor to assess suitability of a site for swimming.

Before new sites on the Parramatta River can be declared safe for swimming, we need to first assess the risk and monitor water quality. We undertook a literature review to understand how recreational water quality should be assessed in the Parramatta River. This work has provided the basis for a targeted Riverwatch monitoring program to ensure a future of safe river swimming. We have already begun Stage 1 of this monitoring program at six sites along the river.

2. The condition of the river now and as it changes over time.

We reviewed existing water quality data to determine the condition of proposed swimming sites in relation to both swimming and general ecosystem health. The bacterial indicator Enterococci was used as the main indicator of recreational suitability in line with the current Beachwatch program.

Other indicators of bacterial pollution proposed in our Riverwatch program have never been monitored in the Parramatta River, but are recommended for future monitoring programs at specific swimming sites. This will help us better understand the sources of bacterial pollution and adapt our management accordingly.

The four current swimming sites in the river are generally suitable for swimming during dry weather but can become unsuitable following rain. This is consistent with the Beachwatch recommendation that people should not swim at harbour beaches for three days following heavy rain.

Results show that water quality appears to be improving as a result of catchment management measures although many sites are still affected by nutrients from wastewater overflows and stormwater runoff.

The recommended Riverwatch monitoring program will fill in data gaps and provide key information needed to support future management decisions to make the river swimmable again. This is outlined in Business Case: Riverwatch Monitoring Program at www.ourlivingriver.com.au.

Above: Sediment laden water from construction site at Harris Park, Right: Residential development at Wentworth Point on the Parramatta River.
3. Where could natural swimming be possible by 2025?

To answer this question, we undertook a detailed modelling study that investigated the future of water quality in the river under different management scenarios.

Data from this important work has helped guide target setting that will successfully meet regulatory objectives associated with river swimming.

An integrated modelling framework was adopted that combined the use of three models, which modelled:

- wet weather overflows
- catchment processes such as pathogen generation and stormwater runoff, and
- where these pathogens move and end up in the river.

A sub-daily simulation was used which captured changes in flow and pathogens over space and time.

We investigated several management scenarios to understand how and where we can return swimming to the river.

The modelling shows that:

- Water quality will likely worsen with predicted development if we continue to manage the way that we currently do.
- Water quality can be improved under additional management scenarios, even with predicted development in the catchment.
- Improving river quality will require additional planning controls for stormwater management, wastewater infrastructure and community education.
- It is possible that more swim sites in the lower parts of the river could be opened for natural swimming by 2025.
- Other sites in the upper river would need more innovative solutions and/or increased application of existing solutions, to become safe for swimming.

These water quality modelling outcomes have been used to inform the types of swimming sites that are feasible at each site by 2025. Further modelling is recommended in consultation with the community and relevant stakeholders, particularly at the lower river sites where natural river swimming appears feasible.

Our water quality modelling allows identification of potential low risk subcatchments where further investigation of creeks for local splash play may be worthwhile.

The diagram above shows the current pollution load flowing from different subcatchments into the Parramatta River based on the water quality modelling study. Pollution load is predicted using the indicator enterococci, which is the primary indicator used by the Beachwatch program to measure suitability for swimming.

Areas shaded in green are likely contributing the least pollution load, while areas shaded in red are likely contributing the greatest pollution load. Creeks flowing from subcatchments shaded green are likely to have the best recreational water quality.

Where can we swim in 2025? Parramatta River Water Quality Modelling Report provides further analysis for prioritising subcatchments for future interventions.

Relevant documents

- How should water quality be assessed in the Parramatta River – Literature Review
- Technical analysis of water quality in the Parramatta River
- Business Case: Riverwatch Monitoring Program
- Where can we swim by 2025? Parramatta River Water Quality Modelling Report

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Our Mascots

Sar-tailed Godwit
A wading bird that lives on sand and mud-dwelling invertebrates found along the estuarine areas of the Parramatta River. Shorebirds like the Godwit show us that we are maintaining our mangroves, salt marsh and mudflats against urbanisation, pollution, weeds, erosion and reclamation.

Striped Marsh Frog
Dwells across the catchment and thrives in clear water. This can be a good distinction of aesthetic, recreational, and (fringe) primary contact water quality. A diverse frog community tells us that the freshwater and riparian environment is healthy.

Eastern Long-necked Turtle
Lives in freshwater creeks and needs deep ponds to swim and forage and sandy banks to lay eggs. Healthy turtles inform us that creeks are not overly polluted by pesticides and other chemicals, banks are not badly eroded and flows are just right.

Southern Myotis
Australia’s only flying bat. It requires creekside vegetation and catches water insects and the smallest fish. The Southern Myotis benefits from the retention of native riparian vegetation that offers roosting sites. It also enjoys water bodies with good water quality.

Powerful Owl
 Lives in forests and woodlands and moves along native vegetation corridors, which provides creek banks and acts as a filter that limits erosion and cleans the water. This reduces the amount of pollution entering the waterways, such as sediment, litter, nutrients, oils, fertilisers and heavy metals.

Healthy Ecosystems

A living river means many things. Our mission includes seeing the Parramatta River become a river that is packed with life and healthy ecosystems, where plants and animals can flourish in the water and surrounding environments.

We identified five iconic species (our river mascots) living in the Parramatta River catchment that are valued by community. We are looking at actions that can lead to the river being a more swimable by 2025. These five species represent the range of environmental domains in the catchment - terrestrial, riparian, freshwater and estuarine habitats — and the communities they are part of.

They are the centre of ecological action in the Masterplan and will be used as indicators of the health of our local waterways and catchment and our progress to making these areas safe for natural swimming. Management actions can be grouped into the following three areas in order of priority:
1. Habitat protection
2. Habitat management
3. Habitat creation.

Our mascots were chosen by our community, following a desktop review of local community groups and threatened species records, 19 species were shortlisted and put up for public vote, with nearly 5000 votes being lodged over three weeks.

Relevant documents
• Parramatta River Masterplan Ecological Health Report
• Ecological Health Summary Report

These reports can be downloaded at: www.ourlivingriver.com.au.
WATERWAY GOVERNANCE

To successfully achieve our mission, we will all need to do our part. There are many stakeholders involved in making the river swimable again, and the current governance can be confusing and complex. A revised governance framework is being developed to enable greater clarity, coordination and leadership in delivering the Masterplan.

To understand the current governance and inform our future approach, we worked with our partner agencies to map the existing governance structures around river management, ecological health and swimming site activation and identify gaps and issues in these structures. A key recommendation from the review was the need to establish a lead state agency with sufficient powers, funding and whole of government support to drive delivery of this Masterplan.

A major stakeholder workshop was held on March 2018, which was attended by 45 participants from 22 organisations. At this workshop, the ten recommendations underpinning this plan were agreed, aligned with who is responsible and how we will get there. Sydney Water was also agreed as the agency best placed to take the lead coordinating role.

A collaborative governance arrangement has now been agreed, which defines Sydney Water’s lead role and the role of all agencies in Masterplan delivery and confirms that, collectively, the Parramatta River Catchment Group will continue to be the overarching body overseeing the Masterplan.

At the workshop, Aboriginal leadership was also recognised as a key gap that needs to be addressed in conversations around river knowledge, use and governance. We therefore commissioned a specific Aboriginal Leadership project to commence engagement on the appropriate inclusion of Aboriginal people within the governance framework.

ABORIGINAL LEADERSHIP IN WATERWAY GOVERNANCE

The complex, intrinsic connection between Aboriginal culture and land and waterways is tied directly to belief systems that hold land and waterways as living entities with their own body, spirit and free will. This is a key starting point for all policy and decision making within Aboriginal communities as any changes must consider the effect on land and waterways and their ‘thoughts’ on this impact.

This creates some conflict in the modern era of policy making and needs to be considered in how Aboriginal people are included and take leadership in the future planning for the river. Decision making processes and parameters may not easily align with other members of the wider Australian community and will require translation and negotiation.

As the Traditional Custodians of the land and waterways, Aboriginal communities have the longest connection and working relationship with the area and therefore should be a priority for inclusion in any research, review or design of policy.

Some key considerations in relation to Aboriginal leadership around this Masterplan include:

- The use of language in establishing the priority of values and inclusion.
- Recognising Aboriginal people as a priority stakeholder in the protection, preservation and planning around the future use of the river and surrounding land.
- The inclusion of Aboriginal people in the design of legal representation and bodies to shape policy.
- The number of Aboriginal communities across the catchment and how representation is then balanced across areas of governance, policy, advisory and advocacy.

- Having Aboriginal custom and culture at the core to ensure the continued connection and practice of culture that will build on modern techniques of water access, management, pollution and environment.
- Supporting Aboriginal communities to continue their role as custodians and develop economic opportunities to support the protection of a healthy swimable river (e.g. festivals, net making for swimming areas, information sign posting and tourism operations).

To inform our discussions of these and other elements, two contrasting models were explored in New Zealand and Australia. These are outlined in the Parramatta River Aboriginal Leadership: Case Study Report.

The identification and inclusion of Aboriginal leadership is of significant importance to the overall success of this Masterplan. Continued work is needed to identify those responsible for different parts of the Parramatta River catchment to support the creation of collaborative leadership and Aboriginal custom through a balanced view of the entire catchment.

Relevant documents

- Parramatta River Masterplan Waterway Governance Report.
- Parramatta River Aboriginal Leadership: Case Study Report.
- Parramatta River Masterplan Aboriginal Leadership Report.

These reports can be downloaded at: www.ourlivingriver.com.au.
ECONOMIC
ANALYSIS

We need to invest to make a healthy, swimable river but we will only make these investments if there is clear evidence that they will deliver benefits and that people want them to be made.

We are undertaking an economic analysis of investments proposed in this Masterplan to demonstrate their overall economic benefits and inform the business case that will be delivered with the final Masterplan. Choosing the right places to invest our time and efforts is crucial to a smooth rollout that delivers what the community wants.

The estimated costs of specific swim site developments range from less than $50,000 to around $7.5 million, depending on the facilities and level of treatment. Investments to improve river quality and river and land-based recreation opportunities have the potential to deliver significant returns on investment and an overall net benefit to Greater Sydney households. Work to date shows:

There is a strong economic case for investing in both improving and maintaining good water quality in the Parramatta River.

Recent work suggests that, overall, households in the Parramatta River catchment area are willing to invest a combined $30 million for good water quality and healthy ecosystems and $450,000 for every additional truckload of garbage taken out of the river each year. It is likely that many households outside of the Parramatta River catchment area boundary would also be willing to invest to improve the river’s condition, which means the total willingness to invest is probably much higher.

Investments in swimming sites can generate economic benefits and returns that far exceed the initial and ongoing investment.

The opening of Lake Parramatta four years ago has revealed significant recreational and economic benefits. Last season, the lake attracted around 80,000 visitors, which equates to a total economic return of around $1.4 million in visitor experience. Assuming that the lake’s popularity continues, its benefits will far exceed the costs to ensure it continues to be a safe and enjoyable destination. Opening the lake for swimming has also helped create local economic activity, bringing revenue and jobs to the area. This includes a new boat hire business, thriving café, additional car parking, a new playground, BBQ facility and viewing platform and an improved path to the swimming site.

The Masterplan investments are likely to generate additional economic benefits that can be hard to measure but do exist. Evidence shows that nature-based recreation can lead to physical health benefits and improved wellbeing and that nature provides additional value to the known health and productivity benefits of other physical activity. Our Community Research also indicates that creating new river swimming sites could reduce swimming congestion at other sites across Sydney, as more than half of people said they would prefer to swim in the river than travel to the beach if it were half the distance from home. This has an added benefit to beach goers by reducing crowding at the site and reducing vehicle congestion in attending the site.

Next steps
The Business Case to be delivered with the final Masterplan will focus on the costs and benefits of the proposed investments to improve water quality and river health. We will then take a staged approach to prioritising swim sites for future development by tracking visitor numbers and activity at existing swim sites and at the three new swimming sites along the river before and after they are redeveloped. By understanding existing site use and demand, we can better plan and prioritise future swim site developments.
PART 3:
OUR PLAN
FOR THE RIVER
1. GET SWIMMING

Right now there are four places you can swim in the River. The more we swim in them, the more others will join and community support will grow. We can also learn what makes a swimming place great and what people want out of future swimming sites.

Recommendation
Maintain, improve and promote the four current swim sites in the Parramatta River.

When
Now.

Who is responsible?
Lead agencies: City of Canada Bay, City of Parramatta, Inner West Council.

How we will get there?
✓ Continue to review, maintain, monitor and publicly report on the current Parramatta River swim sites at Chiswick baths, Cabarita Park beach, Dawn Fraser Baths and Lake Parramatta and new sites as they are opened.
✓ Incorporate swimming sites into relevant land use plans and instruments, including councils’ new LEPs, and reference these in city-wide strategic plans.
✓ Continue to actively promote all existing swimming sites through the Our Living River community engagement campaigns.
✓ Continue to improve swim site desirability in response to changing popularity and demand at existing swim sites, including the consideration of netted enclosures and life guards, as appropriate.
✓ Use the existing and any new swim sites to understand and measure the broader benefits of activating sites through measuring visitation attributes, including visitor numbers and demographics, duration of stay and type of activities.
✓ Incorporate swimming sites into relevant land use plans and instruments, including new LEPs, and reference these city-wide strategic plans.

Lake Parramatta
Cabarita Park beach
Chiswick Baths
Dawn Fraser Baths

Why these actions?
Our water quality modelling suggests that the current swim sites in the Parramatta River will continue to have water quality safe enough for swimming by 2025. However, without additional management interventions, water quality decline could reduce our ability to swim at these sites in the longer term.

All of these sites are routinely monitored and publicly reported to the community. Water quality at Cabarita Park beach, Chiswick baths and Dawn Fraser Baths is reported under the NSW Beachwatch Program and water quality at Lake Parramatta is reported by City of Parramatta Council. Consistent with other harbour beaches, it is recommended that people do not swim at these sites for three days after heavy rain.

Community research has shown that, while there is a very high interest in swimming in the Parramatta River, currently not many people know about existing swimming sites. Further promotion of these local swimming sites would help increase their popularity and better connect people with the river.

Sixty-eight percent of swimmers said they were interested in swimming in the Parramatta River, and almost 1 in 10 (9%) people said they have swum in the Parramatta River in the last 12 months.

Only 36% of people were aware of the current swimming sites in the river. This dropped to just 30% of people aged between 18 and 34.

Using the Swimming Site Activation Framework, we have identified ways the existing swimming sites can be improved. The improvements can be made over time in response to a site’s growing popularity or to attract more people to the site.
2. KEEP WATCH

A Riverwatch water monitoring program will help us measure change over time, protect existing swimming spots, open new swimming sites and understand what makes water quality change over time.

Recommendation

Agree and progress the establishment of the Riverwatch monitoring program for the Parramatta River.

When

Now.

How we will get there

✓ Assess contaminants and their exposure pathways with reference to guidelines agreed by NSW Health and NSW EPA at proposed swimming sites and undertake additional monitoring of chemical contaminants as required.

  a) For sites east of Kissing Point Park, undertake monitoring for bacterial contaminants following the Beachwatch criteria to confirm suitability for swimming;

  b) For sites west of Kissing Point Park, consider conducting investigative studies on contaminants following the methodology outlined in Khan and Byrne (2016) to better understand risks to human health from viruses and bacteria in both wet and dry weather.

✓ Undertake comparative analysis of data from current river swimming sites as a benchmark for assessment of human health risk at new swimming sites (e.g. exposure to contaminants within the water column and sediment).

✓ Agree the process for the ongoing running of the Riverwatch monitoring program.

✓ Update and rerun water quality models with new monitoring data for specific swimming sites and extend modelling out to 2050. Update management priorities and monitoring program to reflect modelling outputs.

Who is responsible?

Lead agency: Sydney Water.
Support agencies: Community, local government, NSW Environment Protection Authority, NSW Health, NSW Office of Environment and Heritage, Parramatta River Catchment Group, Roads and Maritime Services, and universities.
3. CREATE NEW SWIMMING SPOTS

Our goal is to create three new swimming spots by 2025. Doing this means working out all potential options, then choosing the best three based on feasibility, vulnerability and desirability.

Recommendation
Establish three new swimming sites in the river by 2025.

When
From now to 2025.

Who is responsible?
Lead agencies: Swim site land manager.
Support agencies: Developers, Greater Sydney Commission, local government, NSW Department of Planning and Environment, NSW Environment Protection Authority, NSW Office of Environment and Heritage, Parramatta River Catchment Group, Roads and Maritime Services, Sydney Water, universities.

How we will get there
- Undertake a staged process to activate Bayview Park, McIlwaine Park and Putney Park for swimming by 2025, incorporating the principles of water sensitive urban design and environmentally friendly seawalls into relevant site developments. Ensure all-ability access is embedded into the design of all new swimming sites.
- Integrate new swimming sites into relevant land use plans and instruments, including council's LEPs, and reference these in city-wide strategic plans.
- Undertake further assessment of other priority swimming sites, including additional water and sediment quality testing at Callan Park to confirm its suitability for swimming, and then proceed with activation as appropriate.
- Why these actions?
Using the swimming site activation framework, we have drawn upon expert opinion and community input to assess twelve proposed swimming sites along the river. Based on these, we have recommended appropriate levels of activation for each site and outlined the remaining steps needed to open each site for swimming.

Through the Aboriginal Leadership project, the Aboriginal community has identified some areas of cultural significance and, in some instances, have proposed alternative, nearby locations for the swim sites. We will continue to engage with the Aboriginal community as new sites are being considered, to ensure cultural heritage is protected and promoted.

We now have a commitment from the relevant councils to create river swimming sites at Putney Park, Bayview Park and McIlwaine Park, with the next steps underway to activate these sites. Other proposed locations will be considered as we implement the Masterplan. Specifically, there is a high level of interest in activating Callan Park for swimming and additional water quality testing and exposure pathways assessment is underway to confirm the site's future suitability for swimming.

Future swimming is not just restricted to our 12 shortlisted sites. As new sites are identified, these can easily be assessed using the swimming site activation framework.

All 12 shortlisted sites lie along the main channel of the Parramatta River. Since assessing these sites, the concept of swimable creeks has also gained momentum, with the demand supported by our community research results and its feasibility supported by our water quality modelling. New sites will be explored to provide more people with local, natural places to swim.
4. STANDARISE THE STANDARDS

The Parramatta River’s catchment spans 11 local government areas. To create a swimable river, we need to work together to standardise policies and practices that impact water quality, such as approaches to baseline measurements, installation of rainwater tanks and creation of rain gardens.

Recommendation
Establish a whole of catchment land use policy and statutory planning mechanisms.

When?
By 2021.

Who is responsible?
Lead agencies: NSW Department of Planning and Environment and Sydney Water.

How we will get there
✓ Align standards with the Risk-based framework for considering waterway health outcomes in strategic land-use planning decisions.
✓ Ensure the capture and use of stormwater on all new developments and redevelopments through either:
  • an overarching policy mechanism for the entire catchment; or
  • a review of BASW/ST target requirements for low to medium density housing and state environmental planning policy for high density commercial, industrial and roads.
✓ Ensure bioretention (or equivalent stormwater management) systems are installed on local and major roads using a prioritisation framework, starting with new roads and moving towards broad catchment coverage over time.
✓ Ensure an ongoing funding source is allocated to the monitoring and maintenance of all bioretention (or equivalent stormwater management) systems installed.
✓ Align all the above with council policies across all council areas within the Parramatta River catchment with consideration of water sensitive urban design guidelines (Roads and Maritime Services).

Why these actions?
This proposed land use planning intervention was modelled in the water quality modelling study. The study showed that reducing hard surfaces is key to reducing the amount of bacterial pollution that reaches the river. Policy mechanisms therefore need to consider how we can reduce the amount of hard surfaces as the city grows. Ways to do this include rainwater tanks, stormwater harvesting and removing paving but also technologies such as permeable paving, passive irrigation techniques and bioretention systems (known as ‘rain gardens’).

Our waterway governance report highlights that waterway management is confusing and complex. There is currently no statewide or regional policy on water sensitive urban design and, as a result, there is a huge variation in the scope and detail of such policy in each of the 11 councils in the catchment.

Local government practitioners identified the lack of a state-wide policy and associated regulation as being one of the major barriers to achieving a consistent and effective approach to stormwater management. A state policy would need to require changes to the Standard Instrument Local Environment Plan to enable the policy to filter down into local implementation.

Bioretention systems
Bioretention systems are commonly called rain gardens. They are an attractive, low maintenance and self-watering garden that help to filter stormwater before it enters our rivers and creeks. They work by having a range of layers such as plants, sandy soil and gravel, which filter out the different types of pollution as the water trickles through. They are usually created at street corners in the space where cars cannot park. Not only does this give us cleaner rivers, but we create safer street crossings and cooler streets.
5. REDUCE STORMWATER RUNOFF

Stormwater runoff, and all the rubbish and other pollution it brings with it, is the number one way our river gets dirty. A catchment-wide approach to reducing this runoff will use water sensitive design that absorbs and filters rain where it lands to improve water quality.

Recommendation
Adopt a regional approach to the installation, maintenance and reporting of stormwater infrastructure and water sensitive urban design infrastructure.

When
Ongoing.

Who's responsible?
Lead agencies: City of Parramatta and Sydney Water.
Support agencies: Developers, local government, NSW Environment Protection Authority, NSW Office of Environment and Heritage and Roads and Maritime Services.

How we will get there
✓ Undertake an audit of existing devices and structures across the catchment and routinely report on how well they are operating.
✓ Optimise the functioning of assets not currently operating to their design intent and/or justify the installation of new infrastructure to replace it that results in equal or better water quality outcomes for the river.
✓ Establish legal instruments to ensure that new properties maintain their stormwater retention devices to their design intent.
✓ Adopt a cost-benefit approach to assess and prioritise sites for additional water sensitive urban design infrastructure at a whole of catchment scale and establish funding mechanisms based on ‘whole-of-life-cycle’ management.
✓ Establish an ongoing capacity building program on integrated water management and water sensitive urban design, with tailored modules for all levels of council.
✓ Undertake compliance and education activities to reduce stormwater pollution entering the river as outlined in Step 7.

Why these actions?
Our water quality modelling shows that water quality can be improved, even with predicted development in the catchment, but this will require additional management interventions. In order to improve water quality and justify new infrastructure, it is important that both existing and new stormwater infrastructure is maintained to its design intent and optimised where possible.

The waterway governance review highlighted that the policy settings for water sensitive urban design remain ongoing concerns, particularly for local government. Primary concerns included the lack of consistency by planning agencies across the catchment and capital and maintenance and funding for multi-functional stormwater infrastructure.

The review emphasised the need to:
• Enforce and monitor the outcomes of policies and standards that link to our mission.
• Better coordinate efforts of local councils and relevant state agencies in doing this.
• Prioritise capital and maintenance funding for water sensitive urban design in core budget allocations.

Stormwater harvesting, treatment and reuse
Stormwater harvesting systems are an effective way of improving stormwater quality and flow into the Parramatta River. They also provide other community benefits such as reducing drinking water usage and irrigating backyards, parks and sports fields, particularly during times of drought.

Water for Our Community
City of Canada Bay’s ‘Water for Our Community’ project is one of the biggest stormwater harvesting, treatment and reuse systems in Sydney. Stormwater from a highly urbanised 172ha catchment area flows into a nearby canal where it is then harvested and pumped into a water treatment plant called the Ciputra Watershed. Following treatment, the water is then pumped to large storage tanks and used for irrigating Council’s open spaces. The project has reduced City of Canada Bay’s reliance on potable water by 75% annually and allows for year-round irrigation of two golf courses and 15 playing fields across the Canada Bay area.

The Bill Mitchell Park Stormwater Harvesting and Irrigation Project
This project was undertaken by City of Ryde Council to capture stormwater from the 41ha Gladesville catchment area. The stormwater is filtered through a gross pollutant trap and then UV treated and stored in a large tank. It is then used to irrigate the local sports field and for town centre cleaning. A range of studies helped inform where the system was best placed to optimise the capture of litter and sediment. The key aim was to reduce the amount of sediment and other pollution from entering the river and impacting on local endangered saltmarsh and mangrove communities.
6. IMPROVE OVERFLOWS

Sydney's sewer system is over 100 years old, and was built for a smaller city. So, when it rains, stormwater can flow into the sewer system, causing it to overflow into our creeks and rivers. Understanding where, when and how this happens and putting measures in place to stop it are an essential part of making our river swimmable again.

Recommendation

Improve water quality outcomes through targeted wet weather overflow management, focused on those overflows impacting existing and proposed swimming sites.

When

Ongoing.

Who is responsible?

Lead agencies: NSW Environment Protection Authority and Sydney Water.
Support agencies: Community and local government.

How we will get there

✓ Undertake modelling to quantify the estimated improvements in water quality that will be achieved at the swimming sites identified in this Masterplan, with overflow reduction to be achieved through planned source control works.
✓ Work together to assess overflows that may impact the proposed swimming sites against the new wet weather overflow abatement risk-based framework to determine their relative risks compared to other public health issues in the catchment.
✓ Run additional scenarios in Sydney Water's Hydrodynamic (BMA) model to develop practical and cost-effective solutions that will have a measurable benefit to aquatic recreation at existing and proposed new swimming sites.
✓ Identify additional interventions (e.g. storage, treatment, works on private properties) that may lead to further improvements at strategic overflow points to provide additional improvements to existing and proposed new swimming sites.
✓ Undertake further modelling to quantify the potential improvements that may be achieved at the swimming sites with additional practical measures to reduce overflows or improve overflow discharge quality.
✓ Develop and implement a costed, strategic plan to reduce wet weather overflow impacts at priority sites (based on all the above work and environmental and public health criteria) by 2025 and beyond.

Why these actions?

The water quality modelling study indicates that a combined approach to management that includes both targeted wet weather overflow and catchment interventions is needed to achieve a swimmable river.

Two scenarios were modelled for wet weather overflow interventions, including the theoretical concept of ‘turning off’ all overflows, as well as ‘turning off’ the most frequent identified overflows at key locations.

The modelling indicates that marked improvements could be made to some swimming sites based on the targeted wet weather overflow scenario but not for all sites.

There may be additional overflows further upstream that warrant further investigation. Also, there is a range of additional wet weather abatement interventions that could be explored within the risk assessment framework to achieve equivalent or improved outcomes for the river.

Through our stakeholder engagement workshops, our stakeholders generally agreed that the scenario of ‘turning off’ all overflows was unrealistic. There was a consensus that all other interventions modelled could be achieved, albeit depending on available resources.

Sewer overflows and how we can manage them

Many of the sewer systems around the Parramatta River are over 100 years old. Because they are buried, they are difficult and expensive to dig up and replace. When it rains, stormwater gets into ‘leaky’ pipes and causes too much water to run through the pipes. Instead of allowing this water to back up into people's houses or cause other catastrophic environmental impacts, sewer overflow points are installed in strategic locations that allow the water to overflow from the sewer pipe and into the local waterway.

It is not considered practical to stop all overflows or close all overflow points off. Instead, a risk-based approach is being adopted to ensure that the management of overflows focuses on areas of high risk to public health and the environment.

A range of measures is being considered to limit how much and how often stormwater gets into the sewer and causes it to overflow. None of these can be looked at in isolation, and measures need to be considered as part of a holistic management approach.

Measures include:

1. Periodic maintenance of the sewer, fixing ‘leaky’ sewer pipes or fixing illegal stormwater to sewer connections in houses.
2. Constructing storage areas or additional sewer network to handle the excess amount of stormwater that gets into the sewer. In some cases, this requires construction of a very large tank or sewer, potentially under existing houses, to store the excess flows.
3. Treating the overflow water before it is released to the environment to kill most of the bacteria and viruses living in it before it reaches the waterway.
7. INVOLVE THE COMMUNITY

Most stormwater pollution comes from roof and street runoff and that is determined by the actions of the community living in the catchment area. Good management of building sites, picking up pet waste and not littering are just three ways communities can help create a swimmable river. Helping people understand this link is a key to success.

Recommendation
Undertake joint community education and compliance activities focused on reducing stormwater and source pollution where it is linked to community behaviour and actions.

When
Ongoing.

Who is responsible?
Lead agency: Parramatta River Catchment Group.

How we will get there
✓ Develop and undertake joint regulatory and education campaigns around issues of sediment laden runoff, dog droppings, illegal sewer connections, stormwater and chemical pollution from industrial sites, and environment incidents from Riverscapes and other vessels. This includes demonstration days to show developers how to correctly implement sediment and erosion control methods on constructions sites, and use of the LPA’s litter and illegal dumping materials.
✓ Undertake additional qualitative research and modelling to refine the scope and focus of future pet waste campaigns.
✓ Design all campaigns to align with council policies and ensure they work across local government boundaries.
✓ Measure the behaviour change impacts of all campaigns and report publicly to the community on its purpose and outcomes.
✓ Undertake further characterisation of stormwater sources and the relative risk to swimming and river health and prioritise and undertake additional campaigns on other issues identified.
✓ Support cultural activities around, on and in the river that improve understanding and management of river health.

Why these actions?
The water quality modelling study identified pet waste pollution as one of the major sources of enterococci in the Parramatta River. Local and international studies indicate that around 60% of people pick up their pet waste and that education and compliance activities have the potential to increase this to 90%.

Several other issues that can affect water quality for swimming have also been identified by stakeholders, but were not able to be modelled for various reasons. These include litter, sediment laden runoff, illegal sewer connections and chemical contamination.

All of these issues relate to human behaviour, which can be influenced by education and compliance activities and involving communities in the design of these activities.

Further research is needed around the characterisation of stormwater sources in order to better quantify their relative risks to river health and swimming. For example, academic research indicates that enterococci from pet waste has a much lower risk to human health than do human faeces. However, it also indicates that the volume of pet waste in the environment is very high.

Local data collection around pet waste would help further quantify and understand the risks to swimming. Likewise, source tracking of chemical contamination sources would provide more targeted and cost effective efforts in managing this exposure pathway.

Get the Site Right
The Get the Site Right initiative is a joint educational and regulatory campaign that highlights the important role developers play in cleaning up the river and making it swimmable again.

Sediment such as sand, soil and mud can runoff building sites into stormwater drains and out to the Parramatta River, impacting aquatic plant and animal life and people’s enjoyment of the river.

Four, month-long campaigns have been conducted to date, where compliance officers go out in force across the catchment inspecting development sites. All 11 councils, the Environment Protection Authority and the Department of Planning and Environment team up to inspect developments of all sizes.

To support the initiative, educational materials are developed and disseminated to builders, developers and the general public, including an erosion and sediment control guidelines booklet, site inspection checklist, information flyers and promotional signage.
Recommendation
Maintain, improve and create new habitats for the Parramatta River catchment’s five iconic species mascots as indicators of water quality and catchment health.

When
Ongoing.

Who is responsible?
Lead agency: Parramatta River Catchment Group.
Support agencies: Greater Sydney Landcare Network, Greater Sydney Local Land Services, local government, NSW Department of Planning and Environment, NSW Department of Primary Industries, NSW Environment Protection Authority, NSW Office of Environment and Heritage, Roads and Maritime Services, Sydney Olympic Park Authority, Sydney Water, universities.

How we will get there
✓ Establish a region-wide citizen science program, supported by scientific monitoring, to monitor and publicly report on the five Parramatta River mascots, as indicators of water quality and catchment health.
✓ Undertake management recommendations within key areas identified through the regional monitoring approach, including the creation and enhancement of estuarine habitat, offshore wetlands, hollow-bearing trees and dense, fully-structured vegetation.
✓ Map and reference key habitat at areas and priority corridors within regional strategic plans and Council CEPs in alignment with the NSW Government Architect’s Bushland and Waterways Guide.
✓ Negotiate a more holistic management of the whole foreshore in relation to the riparian and tidal zones and across land managers factoring in sea level rise and associated impacts.
✓ Establish an ongoing capacity building program on River Health across all levels of council.
✓ Introduce signage at key locations with information on the five mascots and how to get involved in related Citizen Science activities.

Why these actions?
Our ecological health study articulates the connection between a swimmable river and ecosystem health through the identification of five iconic species (popularly known as mascots). These five iconic species will be the focal point for management and monitoring of the river’s ecological health in a way that connects intimately to the values they provide to our growing communities.

The iconic species were identified by inviting the community to vote for their favourite mascot from a list of 19 potential plants or animals within the catchment that have links to improving water quality for swimming. The five species represent four habitat domains within the river and catchment: riparian, terrestrial, freshwater and estuarine environments.

The recommended management strategies and monitoring and evaluation frameworks developed for each species include a citizen science program, reflecting the underlying community-based philosophy of this study, supported by a more rigorous environmental science approach. Both approaches are designed to provide data on changes to the species and underlying catchment conditions that may affect the species and their ecological needs. This can then feedback to management plans and our overarching strategy to protect, enhance and create habitats for these species.

Critically, there is a need to protect and manage existing habitats that face considerable pressure from urban development and climate change. Opportunities to create new habitats are available but should be seen as supporting and supplementary strategies that complement the existing natural systems that remain within the catchment. The methods proposed for monitoring and management of the iconic species are outlined in the Parramatta River Catchment Ecological Health Report.

Powells Creek Naturalisation
Sydney Water transformed a section of Powells Creek into a natural waterway. The project involved removing the deteriorating concrete and replacing it with natural sandstone, native plants, new cycle paths and walkways.

The naturalisation of the creek has established a fauna passage between Powells Creek and Mason Park Wetland and created new habitats for our local wildlife, including two of our mascots, the Bar-tailed Godwit and Powerful Owl.
9. REPORT BACK REGULARLY

Regular monitoring and reporting not only shows us if we’re winning, it helps keep our river in the mind of everyone involved and reminds them that this is a long term project that is worth investing in.

Recommendation
Undertake regular monitoring and report annually to stakeholders and the community on progress towards the Parramatta River Masterplan.

When
Annually.

Who is responsible?
Lead agency: Sydney Water.

How we will get there
- Establish the process and confirm funding to support a whole-of-government review and “State of the River” reporting on progress towards all actions within the Parramatta River Masterplan. This should quantify the changing pressures within the catchment, describe the state of the catchment and waterway and report on how effective actions have been in progressing our mission.
- Regularly monitor and publicly report on recreational water and sediment quality monitoring at swimming sites and ensure data is live, trackable and accessible.
- Undertake community consultation to understand what data they want access to in order to refine what and how data is reported.
- Regularly monitor and publicly report on progress of the five iconic species as indicators of water quality and catchment health.
- Expand upon the current Our Living River communication and engagement campaign to facilitate the use of swim sites, encourage community river stewardship and publicly report progress towards our plan for the river.
- Undertake a five-year review of the Parramatta River Masterplan in relation to the risk management framework and update management recommendations accordingly.

Why these actions?
Our mission to make the river swimmable again has strong support from the community, and everyone has a role in achieving it. The development of the Parramatta River Masterplan has actively encouraged community involvement and decision making throughout. This will continue to be at the core of the Masterplan as we move into implementing it.

Our proposed monitoring and reporting program will encapsulate progress on all Masterplan recommendations, which includes:
- Quantifying the pressures within the catchment
- Describing the state of the river and its catchment,
- Reporting on how effective actions or responses have been in addressing important water quality and environmental concerns.

Collaboration between the community and all our agencies is vital to delivering on our mission of making Parramatta River swimmable, transparent and regular reporting between parties will build confidence and accountability.

The Visualisation Dashboard (below) is the reporting tool that creates this transparency and accountability between agencies. This dashboard will be managed by Sydney Water and will be used to update the community and relevant stakeholders on how we are tracking on delivering the Masterplan.

Our local communities will be regularly updated on the progress towards our ten steps via the Our Living River website: www.ourlivingriver.com.au.
10. CREATE CLEAR LEADERSHIP

A big project needs clear leadership. The plan to make the river swimmable again was sponsored by 11 councils and three state government agencies. It also draws on Aboriginal knowledge and culture and collaboration with the community to bring a big mix of experience and opinions to the table. Sydney Water has been identified as the best placed body to lead this coalition via a collaborative governance structure that sets and delivers on clear targets.

Recommendation

Establish a more effective whole-of-government approach to the governance of the Parramatta River Masterplan led by Sydney Water as the lead coordinating agency.

When

Now.

Who is responsible?

Lead agencies: Parramatta River Catchment Group.
Support agencies: Aboriginal stakeholders, community, Greater Sydney Commission, local government, NSW Department of Planning and Environment, NSW Environment Protection Authority, NSW Health, NSW Office of Environment and Heritage.

How we will get there

✓ Establish Sydney Water as the lead coordinating agency to drive delivery of the Parramatta River Masterplan via a collaborative governance framework that reports to and gains endorsement from the PRCG Full Group.
✓ Review and amend the PRCG Memorandum of Understanding and have it signed by all members.
✓ Engage with Aboriginal leaders across the catchment to support the implementation of Aboriginal values, protection of cultural heritage and preservation of cultural development, respecting Aboriginal knowledge of biodiversity and river management and ensuring their direct involvement in the planning, design and implementation of actions within this Masterplan.
✓ Embed Masterplan targets for 2025 within the state strategic planning documents with a view to positioning the project as a State Significant Development or equivalent status. These include the Greater Sydney Commission’s District Plans, the Metropolitan Water Plan, Department of Planning and Environment State Significant Development’s, Marine Estate Management Authority and Coastal Management Program.
✓ Establish a policy for private industry investment into the Masterplan outcomes and overall river governance.

Why these actions?

Our waterway governance review mapped the current organisational responsibilities and capacities across the catchment in relation to water quality, ecological health and swim site activations and offered alternative options to achieve our goals for the river. This involved a review of state agency and council operating requirements, assessment of governance issues from technical studies, as well as interviews and workshops with key local and State government stakeholders.

The review highlighted that the current governance of waterways is complex, confusing and inconsistent. The 2017 Metropolitan Water Plan also recognises this, explicitly stating that coordination of water planning and delivery between agencies and levels of government is a key barrier to water management. The governance review clearly demonstrated a need for a revised governance framework and recommended a lead State agency with sufficient powers, funding and whole of government support to drive delivery of the Parramatta River Masterplan.

Aboriginal leadership is recognised as a key gap that needs to be addressed in conversations around river knowledge, use and governance. We therefore undertook specific Aboriginal engagement around the Masterplan to gain a better understanding of Aboriginal history and culture around the Parramatta River and have conversations about how Aboriginal involvement can be incorporated into the delivery of the Masterplan and ongoing governance of the Parramatta River.

Collaborative governance

We all need to work together to deliver the outcomes in the Masterplan. We have therefore established a collaborative governance framework to provide clarity on the roles of each stakeholder in delivering the Masterplan. A cross-agency delivery group has been established with a focus on strategic direction, guidance and the operational elements of delivery. This group will be coordinated by Sydney Water, but individual projects and elements may be led by other agencies where appropriate.

Local government will continue to play a key role in the delivery of the Masterplan and overall river governance.
ONE RIVER, MANY PLANS

Our ten-step Masterplan is the overarching plan for the whole Parramatta River and its catchment. It is referenced in or connects with many other regional and local plans. Connecting with all of these other plans helps us build support for the river at all levels.

These plans include:
- Metropolitan of Three Cities – The Greater Sydney Region Plan
- Our Greater Sydney 2056 District Plans – Central City, Eastern City, North
- NSW Environment Protection Authority Strategic Plan 2017-2021
- Greater Parramatta and the Olympic Peninsula Plan
- Parramatta River Catchment Group Strategic Plan 2016-2018
- Council Community Strategic Plans
- Parramatta River Estuary Coastal Zone Management Plan (2012)
- State Environment Planning Policy (Environment)
- Council infrastructure planning and resource plans
- NSW Coastal Management Reforms
- NSW Marine Estate Management Plan
- Sydney Harbour Water Quality Improvement Plan
- Greater Parramatta Interim Land use and Infrastructure Plan
- Council environmental, recreational and land use strategies and plans.

GreenWay Masterplan

The GreenWay is a 5.8km environmental and active travel corridor linking the Cooks River at Earlwood with the Parramatta River at Iron Cove.

It includes a wildlife corridor and biodiversity protection area and features bike paths and foreshore walk, cultural and historical sites, cafes, bushcare sites and a range of parks, playgrounds and sporting facilities.

Inner West Council has adopted the GreenWay Master Plan to guide how the GreenWay corridor will be developed over the next 10 to 15 years. Around $25 million of high priority works are anticipated to be completed by 2022 filling some of the missing links along the GreenWay.

Duck River Corridor Strategic Masterplan

Duck River is the main tributary of the Parramatta River and its highly urbanised catchment area covers approximately 40 km². It flows through three council areas and is a key feature in the Central District Plan.

The Duck River Corridor Strategic Masterplan will support our vision to make the Parramatta River swimable again by 2023 and provide important value to the local community.
OUR THANKS

Development of the Parramatta River Masterplan has been a highly consultative process with input from many organisations and people.

We give special thanks to the more than fifteen thousand community members who have contributed to this plan and our mission to make the river swimable again through:

- Voting for your favourite swimming site along the river.
- Voting for your favourite plant or animal mascots.
- Sharing your stories of the Parramatta River with us at the Our Living River stall at one of the more than 50 community events we have held or attended.
- Attending focus groups or responding to telephone surveys to tell us about your current behaviour around water, barriers to swimming in the Parramatta River, preferences for swimming site activation and appetite for recreation in the river.
- Attending on-site desirability assessments or responding to our online survey to tell us what you think about the 12 proposed swimming sites along the river.
- Telling us what you think about this draft Masterplan.

Many Councillors, community representatives, council officers, State Government officers, academics and consultants have also provided significant input into this plan. Without their generous time, energy, expertise, knowledge and guidance, this plan would not have been possible.

To all of you, we are extremely thankful. This Masterplan is dedicated to you and your role in helping to secure the future of the Parramatta River and creeks that flow into it for generations to come.

TENWAYS YOU CAN HELP THE RIVER

We all have a role in making the river swimable again. While we are working towards our ten-step Masterplan for the river, here are ten simple ways that you can help do your bit.

1. Start swimming or enjoying our living river in other ways
   It’s a great way to show your support.

2. Pick up your pet waste
   No one wants to swim in that!

3. Create less rubbish and put it in the right bin
   Or you might end up swimming in it.

4. Get your site right
   And keep dirt, chemicals and other waste out of our drains.

5. Join a Biosecurity group or plant a bushland garden
   And provide homes for our mascots.

6. Install a rainwater tank or sodagarden
   And use the rain where it falls.

7. Become a Riverkeeper
   Have fun while helping us deliver our plan for the river.

8. Check your plumbing
   And stop rainwater going into the sewer.

9. Report pollution to the Environment Line
   So they can respond quickly.

10. Tell everyone about the importance of our living river
    When community wants something, it happens.
WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE RIVER

River swimming can be a truly special experience. However it's important to understand how it differs from swimming at the beach or in a pool. Here are a few things you need to know to make your time on the Parramatta River even more enjoyable.

1. You can swim in the river now, but only in designated areas

There are currently four sites where you can swim in the Parramatta River: Cabarita Park beach, Chiswick Baths, Dawn Fraser Baths and Lake Parramatta. There are also a number of areas that are suitable for water-based activities such as kayaking and sailing.

2. How we determine that a site is safe for swimming

Water quality at our four swimming sites are routinely monitored to ensure that they are safe for human contact. Suitability for swimming is assessed at these sites following the The Guidelines for Managing Risk in Recreational Waters 2008 developed by the National Health and Medical Research Council. To stay updated with water quality at these and future swimming sites, go to 'Where can I swim on the Parramatta River' at wwwoutlinedriver.com.au.

3. You should avoid swimming for three days after heavy rain

Just as you shouldn't swim in an ocean beach for several days after a storm, it is recommended that you don't swim in any of the river swimming spots for three days after heavy rain due to temporarily poor water quality.

4. We recommend you don't just swim anywhere on the Parramatta River

Water quality is currently only routinely monitored and reported for our four swimming sites. While initial investigations indicate that water quality at other sites may be suitable for swimming, we do not yet have sufficient data to provide guidance on exactly when it is safe to swim at these sites. Also, as outlined in the section 'Where to swim next', there are many other factors that determine if a site is suitable for swimming, such as providing safe access and checking for underwater hazards.

5. There are sharks in the Parramatta River

The presence of bull sharks in the river are an indication that the water quality is improving and the ecosystem is getting healthier. While the risks posed by these animals to human health is quite low, to avoid encounters we would recommend swimming in a designated swimming site with a shark net.

6. Even though you can swim, you should still not eat the fish

It is still recommended that you do not eat any fish caught west of the Sydney Harbour Bridge. The human health risks of eating fish are many times greater than swimming. Heavy metals and other pollutants that may accumulate in fish are mostly found in the fine sediment on the riverbed, rather than in the water that we swim in. Fish accumulate these pollutants through the food chain by eating other organisms that dwell in this fine sediment.

7. Lots and lots of people really want this to happen

Sydney-siders want a river that is clean and safe where they can swim and spend their leisure time. In fact, our community research results indicate that 68% of residents who swim are interested in swimming in a designated area in the Parramatta River.

8. Sydney is a river city

Sydney has amazing waterways and the Parramatta River is at its heart. As the city's population continues to grow west, the need for additional natural swimming spots closer to where people live will become even more important. Our community research shows that many residents would prefer to swim in the Parramatta River than at the beach if it took them half as long to get to.
TELL US WHAT YOU THINK

It takes ideas from everyone to change a river. The more you tell us, the better our plan gets.

The draft Masterplan was on public exhibition from 18 October 2018 to 29 November 2018. This was supported by the Ten Steps to a Living River brochure, social media video, engagement survey and display materials. We engaged face-to-face at nine community events as well as online through our various communications platforms.

A total 194 surveys and eight formal submissions were received. Most people were extremely supportive of the mission and ten steps, saying that they agreed with all ten steps, found it easy to understand and that the plan made them feel confident that the mission is possible.

It’s never too late to tell us what you think. We will always keep listening and making this plan better, so join the conversation, get involved and stay connected.

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ITEM NO : 4.6

SUBJECT : HUNTERS HILL RUGBY UNION FOOTBALL CLUB (HHRUFC)

STRATEGIC OUTCOME : SERVICES AND FACILITIES THAT ARE CHILD, YOUTH, FAMILY AND AGE FRIENDLY ARE SUPPORTED

ACTION : IMPROVE AND MAXIMISE ACCESS TO AND USE OF PARKS, COMMUNITY, SPORTING AND CULTURAL FACILITIES

REPORTING OFFICER : MARIA KENNY

PURPOSE
To consider a proposal by the Hunters Hill Rugby Union Football Club (HHRUFC) for a reduction in the seasonal and training fees payable for the use of Boronia Park Ovals.

RECOMMENDATION
1. That fees for the use of Boronia Park Ovals by the HHRUFC be adjusted to reflect actual ground usage from 2017/18.
2. That a discount of 10% on usage fees be applied from 2017/18 to 2020/21 to reflect the Hunters Hill Rugby Union Football’s past contributions to Boronia Park Ovals that benefit other users, and that the continuance of this discount beyond these financial years be subject to further review.
3. That Hunters Hill Rugby be advised that Council is not prepared to waive any fees beyond those in recommendations 1 and 2.
4. That Hunters Hill Rugby be advised that they are required to pay $32,334, being the fees for the period 2017/18 and 2018/19 after taking into account recommendations 1, 2 and 3 as set out above.

BACKGROUND
Council undertook a complete review of its Playing Fields Policy and associated fees in 2016. Arising out of this was a decision to increase fees over four years to bring them into line with those charged by other NSROC councils. The review recognised that Council’s fees at the time were significantly lower in comparison. In addition, a new lighting system was installed that allowed Council to charge a fee for actual lighting use.

Previously the HHRUFC had a long-standing, discounted training fee to recognise its contribution to lights at Boronia Park. Other users of Boronia Park were paying $17 to $25 per hour compared to the HHRUFC rate of $11 per hour.

Council completely replaced the lights and the discount was removed in 2017/18. This, together with new fees and a separate lighting charge, increased the HHRUFC hourly rate to $23.50 for Boronia 1 Oval (lesser rates for the other ovals) and applied a separate lighting charge of $20.50 per hour. Council also changed its Policy so that training fees were not waived for nights when the fields were booked but not used, except where Council closed the fields due to wet weather.
The HHRUFC has objected to the scale of the increased fees. Several meetings have been held with Club representatives to try and resolve the issue. In considering the potential for any reduction in fees, Council Officers are mindful of the need to maintain equity with other users, all of which are paying the adopted fees (Cricket has been given an extended time to pay following similar representations about the fee increases).

HHRUFC has presented several arguments as to why they should be charged less than the adopted fees. Primarily these centre around what they believe was a lack of consultation and misinformation about the size of the increase, and the financial and in-kind contributions the Club has made and continues to make to Boronia Park.

In response to this and to ensure the equity issues referred to earlier in the report are addressed, Council Officers have proposed to the Club that fee adjustments be applied on the following basis:

- Additional time be provided for the phased-in increases
- Reductions in the seasonal fee (weekend use) to reflect actual time the grounds are used by the Club
- Reductions in the training fee (weekday use) based on the time the lights are on to approximate actual time used
- A 5% reduction in fees to allow for an estimate of the use of recent Club-provided assets (e.g. PA system) by other users.

The Club has chosen to not avail itself of increased time to pay off the debt. The reductions to reflect actual usage have been accepted but the Club has requested a 10% reduction in the contribution discount instead of the 5% proposed.

If the actual usage and club contribution discounts are accepted, the amount the Club is willing to pay for 2019/20 and beyond will equal what Council will be invoicing the Club for those years. This still leave amounts outstanding for 2017/18 ($4,721) and 2018/19 ($3,114). The table below shows how these amounts are arrived at.

The Club argues that these amounts should be waived as, in its view, the magnitude of this increase was never properly conveyed before the phase-in period commenced and therefore there was no time to allow for the flow increases in Club member payments.

Writing off these fees is not supported as this would be inconsistent with how other users have been charged.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

The following table summarises where the fee negotiations are at:

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HHRUC has paid $33,650 in 2018/19 in response to their payment offer: $10,500 for 2017/18, $14,000 for 2018/19 and $9,150 for half of 2019/20. If the Club’s offer were accepted, Council would still be required to write off an additional $7,800 for the 2017/18 and 2018/19 financial years, in addition to the reductions to reflect actual usage and the 10% Club contribution that benefits other users.

Proposed reductions to the invoiced fees for actual usage are reasonable, although it should be recognised that time booked and not utilised may be able to be used by others. Similarly, training hours charged on the basis of lights ‘on and off’ may provide some bonus to the Club for early season daylight training. Overall these reductions are viewed as a reasonable concession to help resolve the issue. Actual usage times are the basis for which Cricket is charged.

If Council supports this a procedure would be developed with the Club that provided for a retrospective amendment to annual fees to adjust between invoiced amounts and actual usage.

**Additional discount for FY 2017/18 and 2018/19 not recommended**

The Club’s principle arguments in support of this are its previous work (which it values at $300,000) to improve Boronia Oval 3 drainage and its efforts in helping secure the $1.0 million grant for the Boronia Park Community facility. Club representatives have also stated an intention for the Club to make a financial contribution to the facility. Other past contributions cited by the Club include a PA system and plumbing works.

A discount to recognise the general community benefit, and benefit to other users, provided by these contributions can be justified and 10% is viewed as a reasonable amount. This should be reviewed at the end of the four-year increase phase-in period to determine if it should be continued beyond 2020/21.

**CONCLUSION**

In summary, Council Officers recommend that the outstanding fee payment required from the HHRUC is $15,221 for the 2017/18 and $17,113 for the 18/19 financial year, rather than the $10,500 for 2017/18 and $14,000 for 2018/19 as requested by the Club.

Adjustments to HHRUFC charges for use of Boronia Park Ovals are appropriate to reflect actual usage of the grounds by the Club and the financial contributions it makes to Boronia Park that benefit other users.

Writing off any further debt would be inequitable with charging applied to other users and therefore should not be agreed to.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

There is no direct environmental impact on Council arising from Council consideration of this matter.

**SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

There is no direct social impact on Council arising from Council consideration of this matter.

**RISK ASSESSMENT**

There are no direct or indirect risks impacting on Council arising from consideration of this matter.

**ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments to this report.
ITEM NO : 4.7

SUBJECT : MARY STREET - DELIVERY OF PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT CORNER OF MARK STREET

STRATEGIC OUTCOME : SCHOOLS ARE SUPPORTED THROUGH THE PROVISION OF SAFE DROP OFF AND PICK-UP ZONES

ACTION : IDENTIFY AND PRIORITIZE SCHOOL ZONES WHERE TRAFFIC AND SAFETY MANAGEMENT IS REQUIRED

REPORTING OFFICER : LEANNE STATKIKIS

Ref: 448450

PURPOSE
To provide an update on the delivery of the pedestrian crossing on the corner of Mary Street and Mark Street, Hunters Hill.

RECOMMENDATION
That the report be received and noted.

BACKGROUND
Council, at its meeting held on 28 October 2019 resolved to adopt the Traffic Committee recommendation for a pedestrian crossing across Mary Street on the north side of Mark Street.

Following this Council resolution, Council staff requested and evaluated design quotes, engaged the civil and electrical design consultants, arranged for a topographical survey and commencement of detailed designs. Staff also met with representatives from viva energy regarding service location.

At the Council meeting on 24 February 2020 Council resolved that a report be provided to the Council Meeting scheduled for 9 March 2020 to provide an update on the delivery pedestrian crossing on the corner of Mark and Mary Street.

REPORT
The civil design for construction is currently 95% complete and is awaiting the completion of the electrical and lighting designs. The electrical design is currently scheduled for completion by the 12th of March. The civil design be finalised when the electrical design is completed, as the location of services and poles may affect the final design. The detailed design will then be referred to the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) for approval.

Following on from RMS approval the electrical design is required to be lodged for approval with Ausgrid before construction can commence. Council has been advised that this approval process normally takes between 2-3 months.

Consultants have provided the following estimate of cost: civil works $60,000, lighting/electrical $20,000 and application to Ausgrid $8,000 plus GST.

As this project is currently unfunded, a submission for funding has been made to Transport NSW (TfNSW) under the Active Transport (walking/cycling) Program for 2020/2021 and Council has been advised that applicants will be advised of the outcomes of their submissions in June 2020.
CONCLUSION
Should funding from Transport NSW be successful, quotes will be undertaken for the construction work to be scheduled as soon as possible.

FINANCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT
There is no direct financial impact on Council’s adopted budget as a result of this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT
There is no direct environmental impact on Council arising from Council consideration of this matter.

SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT
There is no direct social impact on Council arising from Council consideration of this matter.

RISK ASSESSMENT
There are no direct or indirect risks impacting on Council arising from consideration of this matter.

ATTACHMENTS
There are no attachments to this report.
ITEM NO : 4.8

SUBJECT : MINUTES OF CONSERVATION ADVISORY PANEL MEETING HELD 19 FEBRUARY 2020

STRATEGIC OUTCOME : MAINTAIN THE CHARACTER AND AMENITY OF HUNTERS HILL

ACTION : PROVIDE QUALITY TECHNICAL HERITAGE ADVICE TO RESIDENTS, DEVELOPERS, DCU, AND THE LAND AND ENVIRONMENT COURT

REPORTING OFFICER : STEVE KOUREPI

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with the Minutes of the Conservation Advisory Panel (CAP) Meeting held on 19 February 2020.

The purpose of CAP is to consider and advise Council staff on any matter of environmental heritage referred to the committee by staff including building and development proposals and plans or policies referred by Council or the General Manager.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received and noted.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Minutes of the Conservation Advisory Panel Meeting held 19 February 2020
COMMENCEMENT

IN ATTENDANCE

Cllr Ross Williams  Councillor, Hunters Hill Council
Cllr Jim Sanderson  Councillor, Hunters Hill Council
Tony Coote  Hunters Hill Trust Representative
Bronwyn Doutreband  Community Representative
Michael Lehany  Landscape Adviser
Brian McDonald  Heritage Architect
Graham Atkins  Community Representative (Alt)

ALSO PRESENT

Steve Kourapis  Director, Development & Regulatory Services
Greg Patch  Heritage Consultant

APOLOGIES

Helen Temple Berry  Community Representative

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Ms Bronwyn Doutreband – Item 3.2

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of Conservation Advisory Panel of previous Meeting held on 11 December 2019 were read and it was noted that Bronwyn Doutreband was present.

REPORTS

3.1 6:00 PM - 82 WOOLWICH ROAD, WOOLWICH

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

The Panel was addressed by the owner, Mrs Ying Sun, her son, Lucas, and architect Kiril Manolev.

The property is within Hunters Hill Conservation Areas G1 ('The Peninsula') and occupies an elevated position overlooking Collingwood Street and the Lane Cove River to the north. Heritage items within the vicinity include 96 (Item 377) 93 (Item 375), 95 (Item 376), 97 (Item 378) and 99 (Item 379) Woolwich Road.

It is proposed to demolish the existing house and erect a new two-storey house, with pool, landscaping and fences.

In considering the proposal, the Panel raised the following matters:

- Driveway impact on the Jacaranda to the front yard: Kiril Manolev advised that the driveway has been designed to be largely suspended above the
existing ground level to avoid root disturbance.

- The proposed use of bluestone cladding: the use of bluestone -v- sandstone was discussed and the Panel advised that sandstone is preferred as it is endemic to the area, whereas bluestone is more associated with Melbourne/Adelaide. The extent of stone cladding to the eastern wall was also queried as drawn is tokenistic. Kiril Manolev advised that the stone cladding is to be deleted.

- Extent of glazing to the north façade: the extent of presented glazing was discussed in terms of the presentation to the Lane Cove River. The ground floor glazing is under a relatively deep overhang and is not considered to have potentially adverse impacts. The potential impact of the upper level glazing can be reduced if the side walls were to return on the north elevation at either end of the opening and the framing of the glazing made substantial (e.g. approx. 125mm stock width) to lessen the planar effect of the glass.

- Low level window to west elevation: the position of the window and the proposed stone cladding above will lead to a counterintuitive appearance with the window seemingly supporting the more solid stone panel above the window should be deleted.

- Garage: the garage projects forward of the main façade of the house and as drawn at present may resent to the street as an uncharacteristic box-like element. It was advised that design measures, such as projecting blade walls and roof, be utilized to lessen this effect.

- Planting to the riparian zone: it is considered that the extent vegetation to this embankment facing the Lane Cove River would benefit from supplementary plantings of endemic plants (such as banksias). It was also noted that it is intended to prune the existing Port Jackson Fig. This measure is not supported by the Panel.

COMMITTEE ADVICE

That the Director, Development and Regulatory Services be advised that the Panel generally supports the proposal, but that the above observations and measures are to be addressed before it is fully supported these include:

- Driveway impact on Jacaranda.
- Proposed use of bluestone cladding versus sandstone
- Extent of glazing on the north façade
- Low level window to west elevation
- Lessen impact of garage
- Planting in the riparian zone

3.2 6:20 PM - 3 JEANNERET AVENUE, HUNTERS HILL

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Bronwyn Doutreband declared an interest and left the meeting.

The Panel was addressed by the architects, John Rose and Dale Scott, and heritage architect George Phillips.

The property is heritage item 185 ("Wyblena"), is within Hunters Hill Conservation
Area C1 ("The Peninsula") and is within the vicinity of a heritage item at 10 Jeanneret Ave (Item 493).

It is proposed to introduce a two-storey "pod" containing a Living area to the ground floor, and Bed 2 and ensuite to the upper level, with walls and chimney constructed of rammed earth to the south-eastern return verandah; to an area that has been the subject of unsympathetic alterations/ additions in the latter half of the 20th century.

An information package of drawings and historical photographs with commentary was provided to Panel members.

George Phillips and John Rose explained the master-planning of the site, and the reasoning behind the location and construction of the proposed "pod". It is located in an area of the building that has been subject to "trauma" in the past.

In considering the proposal, the Panel advised:

- As "Wybalena" was originally built in the "marine villa" mode, the proposed location of the "pod" is to the principal (south) elevation- i.e. that facing the Parramatta River. The intervention of an element such as that proposed will substantially adversely impact on this elevation of "Wybalena" as illustrated in the historical photographs.

- It is considered that an addition in the location proposed would more properly be more subservient and of a lesser impact on the presentation of "Wybalena" and allow elements such as the Italianate eaves brackets and detailing to remain legible.

- The junction of the verandah roof and proposed metal roof to the addition is considered excessively complex and awkward and will interrupt the continuity of the return verandah, and its roof.

- The proposed use of rammed-earth and the configuration of the fenestration and chimney element will lead to a structure that is somewhat cumbersome and counter-intuitive in expression due to the proposed expanses of masonry wall supported over large glazed openings. The slenderess of the proposed chimney element is also questioned, given the type of construction.

It was concluded that the proposed addition will introduce an "alien element" in the presentation of "Wybalena" and that it should be simpler and more subservient.

COMMITTEE ADVICE

That the Director, Development and Regulatory Services be advised that the Panel does not support the proposal in its current form.

3.3 6:40 PM - 12 TOOCOOGA ROAD, HUNTERS HILL

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Bronwyn Doutreband re-entered the meeting.

The Panel was address by Allana Ashfar and Kylie Wentworth of Squillace
Architects and Graham Brooks, Heritage Consultant of GB Heritage.

The property is within Hunters Hill Conservation Area C1 ("The Peninsula"), is located on the corner of Toocooya Road/Toocooya Lane and is within the vicinity of numerous heritage items, including Item 331, “Blen Cathra” (10 Toocooya Road), “Muirbank” (Item 269) at 1 Muirbank Avenue, and “Alstan” (Item 330) at 7 Toocooya Road.

It is proposed to demolish the existing c. 1970s/80s house and erect a new one.

In considering the proposal, the Panel advised:

- The proposed development is subject to the “two-part test” [TPT]: whether the proposed development will make an equal or better contribution to the character of the conservation area, and the setting of heritage items within the vicinity.

- It is considered that the extant building is a relatively prosaic example of a late 20th century “period nostalgic” house, and its demolition may be supported by the Panel provided the second part of the test is met.

- The proposed “replacement” house is considered to not meet the second part of the TPT. It is excessively “gymnastic” in its geometry, particularly around the entry area, with the curvilinear walls and deeply cantilevered white eaves introducing alien elements into the character of the conservation area.

- A more rectilinear approach utilising mid tone natural materials would relate to the traditional built forms of the contributory elements of the conservation area.

COMMITTEE ADVICE

That the Director, Development and Regulatory Services be advised that the Panel does not support the proposal.

3.4

7:00 PM - 39 THE POINT ROAD, WOOLWICH

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

There were no representatives of the applicant in attendance, so the Panel considered the proposal in their absence.

The property is Heritage Item 317 ("Comus Villa"), is within Hunters Hill Conservation Area C1 ("The Peninsula") and within the vicinity of heritage items at 41-43, 45, 48, 38, 40, 42 and 44 The Point Road.

It is proposed to make substantial alterations and additions to "Comus Villa".

In order to more fully understand the proposal, it is considered that a site inspection, including the interiors of the buildings, is warranted.

The Panel’s initial observations are:

- The bulk of the proposed 3-car garage with dwelling over located near the street frontage of the property will have adverse impacts on the streetscape of Woolwich Road, the character of the conservation area and the setting of heritage items within the vicinity.
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- Alterations within the early fabric and spaces of “Comus Villa”, should avoid inappropriate uses, such as the proposed kitchen, which will give rise to adverse interventions in the fabric and is more properly located in the proposed new addition works.

- The breakfast room should be relocated to avoid overlap of the eastern elevation of the original building and the associated widening of openings.

- The proposed verandah to the rear (north) of the original house is excessive in width and may obscure an understanding of the presentation of “Comus Villa” to the street.

COMMITTEE ADVICE

That the Director, Development and Regulatory Services be advised that the Panel requests a site inspection prior to its meeting of 18th March 2020, so that the potential impacts of the proposal can be assessed.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the CAP will be held on Wednesday, 18 March 2020 commencing at 4.30 on site at 39 The Point Road, Woolwich.
ITEM NO : 4.9
SUBJECT : MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL PRINCIPALS LIAISON FORUM HELD ON 6 FEBRUARY 2020
STRATEGIC OUTCOME : COUNCIL ENCOURAGES A SENSE OF BELONGING AND CONNECTION TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY
ACTION : SUPPORT AND FACILITATE COMMUNITY EVENTS/PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES THAT ENCOURAGE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION
REPORTING OFFICER : BEC HO

PURPOSE
The purpose of this report is to provide Council with the Minutes of the School Principals Liaison Forum held 6 February 2020.

The School Principals Liaison Forum enables principals to meet, share ideas, opportunities for collaboration and shared learnings and plan for the future.

It is an information sharing meeting for all the principals and Council has an ability to assess what it can do to help. An example being combined special events like Young In Art.

RECOMMENDATION
That the Minutes be received and noted.

ATTACHMENTS
1. Minutes of the School Principal's Liaison Forum held 6 February 2020
COMMENCEMENT

The meeting opened at 12:00pm.

IN ATTENDANCE

Clr Mark Bennett  Mayor, Hunters Hill Council
Clr Elizabeth Krassoi  Councillor, Hunters Hill Council (Alternate)
Clr Ben Collins  Councillor, Hunter's Hill Council
Mr Gregory Lill  Hunters Hill High School
Dr Anne Ireland  Marist Sisters College
Ms Kim Dudgeon  Hunters Hill Primary School
Mr Richard Quinn  St Joseph’s College
Ms Alison Gambino  Riverside Girls High School
Ms Liz Stanford  Boronia Park Public School
Mr Troy Lucca  Ryde Police LAC

ALSO PRESENT

Ms Simone Bordin  Road Safety Officer, Hunters Hill Council
Mr Steve Horne  My Gateway
Mr Greg Belle  My Gateway
Ms Bec Ho  Acting Manager Place and Projects, Hunters Hill Council

APOLOGIES

Mr Kevin Turner  Villa Maria Parish School
Ms Katherine Hurst  Gladesville Public School

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Mayor called for Declarations of Interest without response.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of School Principals Liaison Forum of previous Meeting held on 8 August 2019 be received and noted.

BUSINESS ARISING

2.1 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil.

REPORTS

3.1 PRINCIPAL’S UPDATES
Boronia Park Public School
- 547 students this year.
- School has had new turf on oval, a collaborative project with the OOSH,

Hunters Hill Public School
- Welcome to new principal, Kim Dudgeon.
- There are 235 students enrolled for the schools 150 year anniversary in 2020.
- Students took part in the Rapville letter exchange program, as part of HHC commitment to supporting our friendship pact from Richmond Valley. Some of those children lived in properties that were destroyed.
- Coronavirus has become an issue due to children returning from travelling overseas.

St Josephs College.
- There is a new Deputy, Michael Blake
- 53% day boys. 540 Boarders at the school, due to the expat pool of boarders there has been students excluded from returning to school.
- Many of the bush families are feeling the impact of drought and bushfire.
- Submitted a DA to replace the swimming pool and courts; replacing roof with slate from the original quarry.

Riverside Girls High School.
- Alison Gambino continues to act for seconded principal.
- A new roof is also being installed.
- There is an international student contingent that are self excluding due to Coronavirus.
- Mobile phone ban is working really well.

Marist Sisters College Woolwich.
- A great start to the year, 1020 girls; 187 girls in year 7. Great HSC results from the students last year.
- Marist have also banned mobile phones. It has been accepted so far.
- Corona virus - only one family impacted.
- Musical beginning of term 2 - Mary Poppins Junior.

Hunters Hill High School.
- The school population continues to grow, they have hit the 800 mark.
- Some students missed the bus because they were enjoying the new footpath.
- Coronavirus - 30-40 international students, they are accessing remotely through the remote classroom.
- Hunters Hill is the first High School in Australia to have 100% sustainable uniforms. Partnered with Sustainable School Wear.
- First metro school in partnership to offer opportunity to become qualified sailor with Hunters Hill Sailing Club.
• Watching the mobile phone policy at Riverside Girls High - parents at HHHS want access to their kids at anytime, and have not been supportive of program.

3.2 ROAD SAFETY OFFICER

Introduction
• Simone Bordin is a Road Safety Officer employed to act as liaison between school, police and council – for example RGHS wanted assistance regarding behavioural change to the students movement. In this instance, following observation, infrastructure was not the solution.
• Car Seat Safety Check events are happening in both Lane Cove and Hunters Hill
• High Schools - can run free workshop for parents to teach learner drivers.

Action: Council officers to seek funding to run parents of learn driver program in Hunters Hill Town Hall

3.3 SCHOOL TO WORK PROGRAM

• My Gateway presented their School to Work program, which includes school based apprenticeships and traineeships (SBATs), Career expos and other school-focused events, and provision of guidance and support to students, parents, teachers, careers advisors and host employers. Pre-apprenticeship programs, generalist programs. Principals were encouraged to call Greg Belle – 0423 885 849 greg.belle@mygateway.org.au.

3.4 UPDATE FROM LOCAL AREA COMMAND

• Constable Troy Lucca presented - first year working with Deb Chrystal.
• The predominant issue is cyber safety.
• There have been spikes since mid last year in vaping. Police are getting educated on this and then will forward the information into the schools.
• What If is an alcohol program for children as they are coming into the age of drinking. TL offered to provide support to the principals.
• TL advised there will be a new Acting Commander placed end of March. Group acknowledged the work of Superintendent David Waddell.
• Troy runs programs with PCYC, focused on getting disengaged youth engaged. Has to take the kids out of area because no local PCYC.

3.5 WORKS AND SPECIAL PROJECTS UPDATE

Update was held over due to time constraints.

Action: Council will provide an update on this at future meetings.
3.6 POP UP LIBRARY

In 2019, Councillors voted to enter a new library service joint use agreement with Lane Cove Council, once an existing agreement with the City of Ryde expires in July 2020. The new library and community space will be located at 64 Gladesville Rd Hunters Hill, and will be programmed as part of the Joint Use Agreement. The programs are to be determined by community interest, collected through survey.

Action: Bec Ho to send pop up library information and survey to the Principals. https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HHCLibraryServices

3.7 YOUTH SUMMIT - 2020

As part of the commitment to conversation with youth, Hunter’s Hill Council is hosting an engaging and interactive one day Youth Summit on 20 February 2020, bringing together students from local high schools to contribute to changing the world. Students learn key leadership skills including teamwork, communication, pitching and creative thinking. The winning ideas receive grant from Council to further develop and grow the idea, and become true champions of change.

Action: Council officers to send details to all Principals, Principals to nominate students.

3.8 YOUNG IN ART

Opening Night: Wednesday 28 October 2020 6.30pm. General Exhibition: Thursday 29 & Friday 30 October 10am – 4pm, Saturday 31 October & Sunday 1 November 10am – 3pm.

3.9 DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING.

Native Stingless Beehives
- The principals are interested in a school native stingless beehive program. HHC to provide contact details. Native Stingless Bees are key pollinators. Spring will be a good time to get on board.

Action: Contact details for Beecology to be provided to school Principals. Allyson@beecology.com.au

3.10 DUKE OF EDINGBURGH PROGRAM - OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARTICIPANTS IN THE HHC BUSHCARE PROGRAM

HHC Bushcare can support students in the Duke of Edinburgh program. Flyer provided to School Principals, to be distributed to students.

4.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

4.1 SCHOOL SAFETY COMMITTEE
- The Mayor had raised a motion about School Safety Committee to discuss safety issues in school zones. It was agreed that the committee should be made up of P and C reps and council officers, and be held after hours.

Action: Council officers will work on the committee terms of reference, they should be circulated before adoption.

4.3 LE VESINET PROGRAM
Action: Council to provide information to the schools as becomes available.

4.4 MEETING DURATION

- Consider having a one hour meeting in future.

The meeting closed at 1:30pm.
ITEM NO : 4.10

SUBJECT : COUNCILLOR BRIEFING: 17 FEBRUARY 2020

STRATEGIC OUTCOME : COUNCIL IS RECOGNISED AND RESPECTED AS AN OPEN AND TRANSPARENT ORGANISATION

ACTION : COUNCIL AND COUNCILLORS ABIDE BY THE CODE OF CONDUCT, CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT

REPORTING OFFICER : LISA MISCAMBLE

Ref:447343

PURPOSE
A program of briefings and workshops are held to:
- Foster effective communication between the elected Council and the administration
- Provide professional development opportunities
- Enable an environment where there can be open and frank conversations around organisational and strategic priorities.

Set out below is information relating to the Councillor briefing held on 17 February 2020.

RECOMMENDATION
That the report be received and noted.

Present
Mayor Mark Bennett
Clr Zac Miles
Clr Ross Williams
Clr Jim Sanderson
Clr Elizabeth Krassoi
Clr Justine Mc Laughlin arrived at 5.30pm

Staff
General Manager: Lisa Miscamble
Director Finance and Corporate Strategy: Maria Kenny
Director Service Delivery and Special Projects: George El Kazzi
Director Development and Regulatory Services: Steve Kourepis
Senior Planner: Kerry Smith
Strategic Planner: Fiona Mann

Opened: 5.15pm

BRIEFING
This briefing provided Councillors with an update on the following matters:

1. Town Hall Refurb Update and Overview

Look Design, provided an update on the works and interiors as part of the refurbishment works which are underway.
This work will include the:

- installation of an accessible ramp to provide access via the front entrance
- refurbishment of the toilets to widen access doorways and provision of ambulant cubicles to improve access
- creation of a customer services area at the front of the building
- creation of a meeting spaces that caters for different sizes
- installation of energy efficiency measures (e.g. LED lighting)

2. **Parramatta River Catchment Group**

Nell Graham, PRCG Co ordinator provided an overview of the Parramatta River Master plan. The vision for the Parramatta River is to make it swimmable again. There are 10 member Council’s and two agencies involved in the Parramatta River Catchment Group.

Attached is the link to the:
- Presentation provided

3. **Draft Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS)**

The Director Development and Regulatory Services and Council’s Strategic Planner provided an overview of the 25 submissions received in relation to the exhibition of the draft LSPS.

The draft LSPS will be presented to Council at its meeting held on 24 February, ahead of submission to the Greater Sydney Commission on 25 February.

Closed 7.40pm.

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Hunters Hill Town Hall Refurb
2. Parramatta River Catchment Brochure Page 1
3. Parramatta River Catchment Brochure Page 2
4. Parramatta River Catchment Presentation
5. LSPS Presentation
6. LSPS Submissions
Hunters Hill Council
Stage 1 Refurbishment

Foyer & Meeting Room

New: Foyer detail
New: Meeting room detail

Existing: Foyer detail
Existing: Meeting room detail

Changes:
- Foyer layout
- Meeting room layout

New: Foyer design
New: Meeting room design

Existing: Foyer design
Existing: Meeting room design

Changes:
- Foyer design
- Meeting room design

New materials
New finishes

Existing materials
Existing finishes

Changes:
- New materials
- New finishes

Electrical infrastructure

New infrastructure

Existing infrastructure

Changes:
- New infrastructure
- Existing infrastructure

New furnishing
New fixtures

Existing furnishing
Existing fixtures

Changes:
- New furnishing
- New fixtures

New layout
New configuration

Existing layout
Existing configuration

Changes:
- New layout
- New configuration

New seating
New tables

Existing seating
Existing tables

Changes:
- New seating
- New tables
Established in 2008, the Parramatta River Catchment Group (PRCG) is an alliance of local and state government agencies and the community who are working together to make the Parramatta River swimmable again. Our financial members include:

The PRCG provides an overarching strategic and coordination role for the catchment, primarily focusing on events and activities where a collaborative effort can achieve better outcomes for the catchment rather than each agency working individually.

The PRCG's key areas of responsibility include:

- Planning & Research
- Coordination
- Advocacy
- Communications & Engagement
- Monitoring & Reporting

In 2014, we launched the Our Living River Initiative with a new vision, purpose and mission:

**OUR VISION**
We believe Sydney deserves a world-class river.

**OUR PURPOSE**
To make Parramatta River a living river.

**OUR MISSION**
To make Parramatta River swimmable again by 2025.
Collaborating across our network to deliver positive outcomes for the Parramatta River and community

**Joint Decision Making**
Since the PRCG’s inception, our stakeholders and the community have been regularly involved in the decision making process, supported by evidence-based science. This method enables a holistic approach to catchment and river management and fosters a culture of engagement, accountability and transparency.

**Collaborating Across Catchments**
Cross-catchment projects such as the education and compliance campaign, Get the Site Right, enable us to share local knowledge, practices and resources to deliver greater catchment management outcomes. Joint advocacy on common issues aims to achieve strategic, long-term and sustainable regional improvements.

**Fostering Partnerships**
Building strong relationships with like-minded organisations, community groups and individuals, such as Murrama Healing Space, allows us to advocate and collaborate on common projects and issues, and draw on a wide range of expertise and resources, so we can deliver comprehensive and sustainable solutions for the Parramatta River.

**Coordinated Implementation and Reporting**
The PRCG offers its member agencies a strategic, consistent and transparent approach to catchment and river management, by delivering leadership in multi-agency collaboration, providing a cohesive voice for advocacy at all levels of government, prioritising projects and actions, and sourcing opportunities for funding.

**Building Capacity**
As part of the services we provide to our member agencies, community groups and volunteers, we offer opportunities for training, networking and access to best practice research, publications, tools and resources. This approach aims to build knowledge, engagement and support for our mission to make the Parramatta River swimable again.

**Engaging our Communities**
Through hosting, supporting and promoting events and activities in the Parramatta River catchment, such as our annual Riverfest and Riverkeeper Network, we aim to educate, encourage and empower the community to connect with their local waterways and surrounding environment and contribute to their conservation and sustainability.
- Overview of the Masterplan
- Implementation of Ten Steps
- Membership benefits
- Questions
Ten Steps to a Living River

1. Get Swimming
   - Reintroducing native fish and improving water quality

2. Keep Watch
   - For improvements and maintenance

3. Create New Swimming Spots
   - Providing designated areas for swimming

4. Standardise the Standards
   - Establishing consistent standards for river health

5. Create Clear Leadership
   - Ensuring strong, consistent leadership for river restoration

6. Report Back Regularly
   - Monitoring progress and sharing updates

7. Involve the Community
   - Engaging local residents and stakeholders

8. Swim in Nature
   - Enjoying natural swimming areas

9. Reduce Nudges
   - Minimising disturbances to the river ecosystem

10. Improve Overflows
    - Reducing impacts by controlling water flow

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PRCG Financial Members

Blacktown City Council
Burwood Council
City of Canada Bay
Canterbury Bankstown
Cumberland Council
Fairfield City Council
Inner West Council
City of Ryde
Strathfield Council
Sydney Water
NSW EPA
NSW Planning & Environment
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Parramatta River Masterplan
Masterplan Launch – Oct 2018
PRCG’s role in achieving our mission

- Catchment-wide Planning and Research
- Working Together
- Advocacy
- Communications and Engagement
- Monitoring and Reporting
Our Masterplan for the River
Current and potential swim sites

Parramatta River Swim Sites

1. Luke Parramatta
2. Little Coogee
3. Parramatta CBD
4. Macquarie St Bridge
5. Silverwater Park
6. Meadowbank
7. Methven Park
8. Kissing Point Park
9. Putney Park
10. Callan Park beach
11. Quarantine Reserve
12. Bayview Park
13. Mosman Baths
14. Cliftwood Baths
15. Callan Park
16. Dawn Fraser Baths

HUNTERS HILL
AUBURN
ABRAXAS
LEYHARDT
CANADA BAY
RYDE
Masterplan Implementation

1. Get Swimming
2. Keep Watch
3. Create New Swimming Spots
4. Standardise the Standards
5. Reduce Stormwater Runoff
6. Improve Overflows
7. Involve the Community
8. Bring in Nature
9. Report Back Regularly
10. Create Clear Leadership
ACHIEVEMENTS SO FAR...

Step 1 – Get Swimming
• Review of Lake Parramatta user survey undertaken to determine applicability at future swimming sites.

Step 2 – Keep Watch
• Sydney Water has commenced ‘Riverwatch’ monitoring at three swim sites
  – Sampling occurring every 4-6 days with targeted wet weather sampling - microbial
  – Chemical testing of sediments
  – Develop an external facing website/app for Riverwatch program and progress towards swimming
Step 3 – Create new swim spots

• Three sites to be activated by Dec. 2021:
  – McIlwaine Park, Rhodes East
  – Bayview Park, Concord
  – Putney Park, Ryde

• Sanitary inspections have been completed for all three sites.
Step 4 - Standardise the Standards

- Developed standard clauses for LSPS, LEP & DCPs
- Produced Draft Discussion Paper
- Workshops held with councils, GSC, DPIE, PRCG and Sydney Water to focus on developing planning controls for Waterways and Riparian habitats and for Water Sensitive Urban Design.
Step 5 - Reduce Runoff

- Stormwater sub-committee met 4 times
- Audit of SW assets across catchment
- Approximately 487 assets recorded so far
- WQ treatment: 479
- Runoff reduction: 60
- Includes Sydney Water and SOPA assets

Step 6 – Improve Overflows

- Delivery commenced, 17 out of 47 overflow structures have been repaired in the Upper Parramatta Catchment.
Step 7 – Involve the Community
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Get the Site Right

- Joint education and compliance campaign
- Targets erosion and sediment control on construction and building sites
- Also aims to raise awareness about the effects of sediment laden runoff on our waterways
- Launched by PRCG and NSW EPA in 2016
- Now includes Cooks River Alliance, Georges Riverkeeper, Sydney Coastal Councils Group, NSW Department of Planning, Industry & Environment and Lake Macquarie City Council.
Get the Site Right - Results

- 19 Councils participated
- 406 site inspections took place
  - (up 25% from previous Blitz Day in May 2019)
- 252 (62%) sites were compliant
  - (a slight decrease on the May 2019 campaign)
- $76,330 of fines were issued
  - ($9,000 more than the May 2019 Blitz Day)
- 30% decrease in the number of ‘repeat offenders’ - those developers with multiple sites that were non-compliant.
Step 7 - Involve the Community

- Residential education program
- Encourage residents to adopt five simple behavioural habits to reduce pollutants from entering our waterways:
  - Washing your car on the lawn or at a carwash
  - Covering garden materials from wind and rain
  - Picking up pet waste
  - Throwing tissues, wipes, nappies and hygiene waste in the bin and not down the toilet
  - Disposing of oils, chemicals and paints appropriately and not pouring them down the drain.
River Aware collateral

BECOME RIVER AWARE

There are five simple habits we can all adopt on our streets to help make our waterways clean and safe for everyone to enjoy.

DO IT ON YOUR LAWN

1. Keep it clean
   - The tools to help keep our rivers clean are simple and easy.
2. Leave only non-pump
   - No food, no litter, no water bottles, no more worry about what gets in the river.
3. Cover yourself
   - Keep our streets safe and clean.
   - No water, no litter, no more worry about what gets in the river.

COME CLEAN

- Keep our streets safe and clean.
- No water, no litter, no more worry about what gets in the river.

DO IT ON YOUR STREET

1. Keep it clean
   - The tools to help keep our streets clean are simple and easy.
2. Leave only non-pump
   - No food, no litter, no water bottles, no more worry about what gets in the river.
3. Cover yourself
   - Keep our streets safe and clean.
   - No water, no litter, no more worry about what gets in the river.
4. Cover your driveway
   - No grass or leaves, no water bottles, no more worry about what gets in the river.
5. Keep it clean
   - The tools to help keep our streets clean are simple and easy.
   - No water, no litter, no more worry about what gets in the river.

DO IT ON YOUR DRIVEWAY

1. Keep it clean
   - The tools to help keep our driveways clean are simple and easy.
2. Leave only non-pump
   - No food, no litter, no water bottles, no more worry about what gets in the river.
3. Cover yourself
   - Keep our driveways safe and clean.
   - No water, no litter, no more worry about what gets in the river.
4. Cover your driveway
   - No grass or leaves, no water bottles, no more worry about what gets in the river.
5. Keep it clean
   - The tools to help keep our driveways clean are simple and easy.
   - No water, no litter, no more worry about what gets in the river.

DO IT ON YOUR ROAD

1. Keep it clean
   - The tools to help keep our roads clean are simple and easy.
2. Leave only non-pump
   - No food, no litter, no water bottles, no more worry about what gets in the river.
3. Cover yourself
   - Keep our roads safe and clean.
   - No water, no litter, no more worry about what gets in the river.
4. Cover your road
   - No grass or leaves, no water bottles, no more worry about what gets in the river.
5. Keep it clean
   - The tools to help keep our roads clean are simple and easy.
   - No water, no litter, no more worry about what gets in the river.

DO IT ON YOUR INTERSECTION

1. Keep it clean
   - The tools to help keep our intersections clean are simple and easy.
2. Leave only non-pump
   - No food, no litter, no water bottles, no more worry about what gets in the river.
3. Cover yourself
   - Keep our intersections safe and clean.
   - No water, no litter, no more worry about what gets in the river.
4. Cover your intersection
   - No grass or leaves, no water bottles, no more worry about what gets in the river.
5. Keep it clean
   - The tools to help keep our intersections clean are simple and easy.
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DO IT ON YOUR SIDEWALK

1. Keep it clean
   - The tools to help keep our sidewalks clean are simple and easy.
2. Leave only non-pump
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3. Cover yourself
   - Keep our sidewalks safe and clean.
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5. Keeping it clean
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Step 8- Bring in Nature

- Ecological Health Survey distributed to all members
- Biodiversity Subcommittee to be reformed in early 2020 as a working group to establish a program for Citizen Science.

Step 9 – Report Back Regularly

- Reporting Dashboard under development
- Will be housed on Our Living River website
Step 10 - Create clear leadership

- Established a more effective whole-of-government approach
- Sydney Water taken the lead in Masterplan delivery
Member Benefits

- Take part in Catchment wide community campaigns

- Access to three full time Sydney Water resources and PRCG team

- Continued planning & research, advocacy, monitoring & reporting and communications & engagement of the Parramatta River by the PRCG

- Opportunity to shape the next tranche of swimming sites

- Access to a forum to discuss best practice catchment management with other agencies and Councils
Questions?
Local Strategic Planning Statement

- Outcomes of Public Exhibition
- Greater Sydney Commission – Next steps and the path to assurance

LSPS Timeline to date

The following timeline was followed after public exhibition in late 2019

- **31 Oct 2019** – Meeting with GSC. Preliminary Assurance (for HC No 2)*
- **Nov 2019 – Jan 2020** – Collation of submissions, review of document
- **29 January 2020** – Meeting with GSC. Technical Health Check No 2*

* Talk to outcomes of GSC meetings, after we consider the public exhibition.
Draft LSPS Outcomes of Public Exhibition

As a result of the public exhibition:

- A total of 25 submissions were received
- These submissions were broken down as follows:
  - 5 residents of the Hunters Hill LGA
  - 8 organisations e.g. Hunters Hill Trust, Australian Slacklining Association
  - 1 neighbouring Council (City of Canada Bay)
  - 11 government agencies

LSPS Timeline to completion

Where to from here?

- **17 February** – Councillor Briefing
- **10 - 20 February** – Final changes to LSPS document and final report to Council prepared
- **24 February** – Council considers for adoption proposed final LSPS document
- **25 February** – Final Assurance date with GSC (set by GSC)
- **Before 31 March** – Adoption of Final LSPS by Council
Draft LSPS - Public Exhibition submissions. Summary + Comments

Exhibition: 16 September 2019 to Friday 25 October 2019
Submissions received: 25, 19 community (in exhibition period), 9 NSW government agencies 9 in/ outside exhibition period

Sub. No: Chronological date received (but split into community and NSW Government agencies.

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<td>Raises footpaths at Rivervale Reserve, indicating that: • cyclists are riding on the reserves footpath, which puts pedestrians and their pets safety in jeopardy; • a majority of walkers would like to see signs and enforcement prohibiting all cyclists including e-bikes from using sections of footpath, because cyclists create a dangerous environment using this section, as it is narrow and the only way to avoid collision is to dive/fall in to Tarban Creek/ Tarban Bay. Requests Council to find solution for particular section of footpath in reserve to better protect the community, and refers to the cycle path on the opposite side of the Tarban Bay walking zone.</td>
<td>Rivervale Reserve (Victoria Rd, Huntleys Cove) is owned by the NSW Government and Council has care, control and management of the reserve (Crown Lands Act). Submission relates to Council's current renewal of Rivervale Reserve Plan of Management (PoM) under the Local Government Act (LGO Act). Submission will be provided to Council's PoM officers' and Works &amp; Service team for consideration. LSPS themes and Planning Priorities: PP5, PP8</td>
<td>Yes. 1. Add PoMs to Measures – Action 6.1, Action 8.6</td>
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<td>Indicates important to retain heritage character of area through leadership of Council implementing the community's wishes. Short-term actions/ nibbling at standards/ spot developments that are out of character with the area should not be allowed. Good consistent planning needed and ask private developments to join/ contribute to vision in agreed/ clearly defined planning framework. Suggests: (a) Former Gladesville Hospital site (PP 1.2, 2.5, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 6.2): Good plan needed. Likely requirements of government to increase density in area, and if so, make plans for medium density housing issue onsite. Mental Health services need to improve in NSW and the lack of supported accommodation is a key problem. Consider hospital as a subacute mental health facility or for other supported accommodation and retain buildings that allow a reasonably high-density of dwellings with parkland areas. Psychiatric facilities are beside rivers and in-garden settings, as they are calming, are of</td>
<td>The matters raised support the placed-based approach and actions of the draft LSPS that Council will implement over the next 20 years under the EP&amp;A Act and LG Act, and involve NSW Government agencies and private landowners/ parties whose actions involve them. Suggestions for the hospital, health and Gladesville town centre noted and addressed in the place making initiatives and actions of the draft LSPS. Council is working with City of Ryde Council and Transport for NSW to plan and deliver a better placed-based Gladesville.</td>
<td>Yes. 1. Add text for local and visitors tourism and tree canopy to Strategic Context section. 2. Add hospital to Measures—Action 1.2, Action 2.5, Action 3.2, Action 3.4, Action 6.2, Action 7.1. 3. Add PoMs and work with agencies for outdoor facilities to Measures – Action 1.3,</td>
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<td>minimal risk to surrounding populations, while their residents are supported, and generate local jobs.</td>
<td>Comments about the bus shelters is in response to the recent bus shelter contract, and will be provided to Council’s Works &amp; Service team for consideration in future activities and is addressed in PPP.6 action.</td>
<td>Action 5.1, Action 6.1, Action 8.6</td>
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<td>(b) Provision of Outdoor Gyms (PP 1.3). Encourage exercise for health/interaction of residents and to build a community. Facilities in parks for jogging and exercise circuits eg. Gladesville Park, Well Park and Boronia Park, and for young people eg. skate park at Boronia Park Reserve to complement the one at Gladesville Park.</td>
<td>Suggestions about the tree canopy to support the garden–suburb character and heritage character of area and actions to expand the tree canopy/ green grid in area.</td>
<td>4. Add tourism to Measures – Action 2.4, Action 2.5, Action 3.4, Action 4.1, Action 5.1, Action 5.2, Action 8.3</td>
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<td>(c) Tourism Woolwich (PP 1.3). Cockatoo Island has visitors, but few of them visit Woolwich. A day trip around Woolwich peninsula, would be as good a day as on Cockatoo Island (wharf, lookout, Goat Paddock, Woolwich docks, Clarke’s Point, Kelly’s Bush, Well Park, swimming bather, Sydney to Hobart Fleet, eat at Woolwich Hotel and restaurants). Market with Sydney Harbour Federation Trust, as its local lands are a neglected part of Trust’s property portfolio.</td>
<td>LPS themes and Planning Priorities: PP1, PP2, PP4, PP6, PP7, PP8</td>
<td>5. Add access and parking to Measures – Action 4.2, Action 6.1, Action 7.1, Action 7.2, Action 7.3</td>
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<td>(d) Access in Hunters Hill village and shared-vehicles (PP 2.4, 7.3). Parking at Hunters Hill shopping precinct and Hunters Hill Hotel inadequate (small, difficult to navigate and little use to visitors), extra traffic lights on Church St create significant delays. Any future development in village must provide more parking. Allow shared-vehicles (GoGet model) to use parking spaces to lessen the number of vehicles in municipality.</td>
<td>6. Add Gladesville Town Centre Measures – Action 2.3, Action 2.4, Action 4.5, Action 6.1, Action 7.1, Action 7.3.</td>
<td>7. Add public domain infrastructure, innovative access schemes, sustainable power to Measures – Action 1.3, Action 8.6</td>
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<td>(e) Gladesville Town Centre (PP 4.5, 7.1). Problems are:</td>
<td>8. Add tree canopy measures – Action 8.7.</td>
<td>9. Add new Street Tree Canopy map.</td>
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<td>ii. Victoria Rd is increasingly busy and cleanaways are for longer periods</td>
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<td>(f) Heritage Bus Shelters (PP 8.1, 8.3, 7.2). Bus shelters are needed to encourage the use of public transport. The heritage bus shelter at Woolwich Wharf should be the basis for similar-moving shelters along Woolwich Rd and Alexandria Street. Let current aluminium bus shelters contract run out and then have heritage-appropriate bus shelters. Other small amenities need to reinforce the heritage of Hunters Hill, and should be designed and built with this in mind. See North Sydney LGA approach.</td>
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<td>(g) A Walking Bus Scheme (PP 8.6). School drop-off traffic, particularly with primary schools is problematic. Proposes a ‘walking buses’ along school routes to improve the sense of community in the neighbourhood and schoolyard as well as improve fitness, children’s independence and willingness to venture out with more confidence.</td>
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<td>(h) Lighting and Solar Power. To lessen greenhouse gases and reduce costs to ratepayers, use LED street lights and building’s roof space to generate solar power for use in Council premises/ facilities and potentially to store power to run the street lighting. Ask other property owners to use roof spaces for solar panels e.g. Roof on Woolwich Dock</td>
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<td>(i) Native trees for birds and water savings (PP 8.7). It is important to increase Sydney’s tree canopy for aesthetics, to improve air quality, reduce water</td>
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<td>Suggests:</td>
<td>There are 33 hectares of bushland in the area that Council is focused on retaining, protecting and providing links to and corridors between for flora and fauna. Management of bushland is primarily via PoMs and through participation in regional planning like Parramatta River Coastal Management Plan and Parramatta Regional Park PoM, where Council works with other councils at a regional/distinct level. Council is currently or is about to review and update its PoMs for bushland reserves. The submission will be provided to Council PoM Officers, Bushland Management Officer and the Works and Service team for consideration in future activities LSPS themes and Planning Priorities: PP1, PP2, PP3.</td>
<td>Yes. 1. Add WSF. 2. Add bushland biodiversity to Measure Action 4.1, Action 8.7</td>
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<td>#433353</td>
<td>Raises idea of a second exist from the Woolwich Peninsular in case of a disaster, as there is only one exit and as the main road in and out during peak times for school and ferry drop off. Pick up causes traffic to be backed up as far back as Woolwich to the overpass (Burns Bay Road). Buses to and from the Marist Sisters School in peak times causes a major traffic issue, slow traffic, and an exodus of traffic to exit the Peninsula. Suggests:</td>
<td>The submission is noted and will be considered as part of Council's routine liaison with NSW Government agencies responsible for emergency services planning and provisions.</td>
<td>Yes. 1. Add NSW Government agencies to Measure – Action 1</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>#437044</td>
<td>The Association aims to support and develop the slackline community. Slacklining is an outdoor active recreational activity that involves attaching a 1 to 2 inch wide flat webbing (a slackline) between two anchors, usually trees, and balancing on it. It promotes an active lifestyle, which is good for health and</td>
<td>The use of open space and reserves in the area is managed via the Outdoor Sport and Recreation Plan and PoMs for Council's land.</td>
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| 9      | #437945      | The Association’s submission focusses on the economic and social value of affordable rental housing to local communities; the need for affordable rental housing in Sydney; and the opportunities local councils have to support the delivery of affordable rental housing over the next 20 years. The Association is a body for registered community housing providers and supports Aboriginal Community Housing providers. Comments:  
- Community housing providers in area are Evolve Housing and Link Housing.  
- Supports draft LSPS actions for providing a range of housing types that address affordability as a goal.  
- Supports development of a local housing strategy for evidence on affordable rental housing needs and most appropriate mechanisms for delivering it to ensure that it is financially viable and retained in perpetuity.  
- Supports action seeking inclusion in SEPP 70, as sees an affordable housing contribution scheme under SEPP 70 as the fairest, most transparent for developers and the community and therefore most effective.  
- Welcomes opportunity to work with Council to explore housing opportunities, including how the Council could collect developer contributions to help co-fund the development of affordable housing and how Council could partner with local community housing providers to build fit-for-purpose homes on Council-owned land.  
Recommendations:  
- Identify affordable rental housing as a strategic priority  
- Acknowledge the economic and social benefits of affordable rental housing and its role job growth and economic prosperity  
- Acknowledge Greater Sydney Commission’ affordable housing targets  
- Commit to developing an local housing strategy, which quantifies housing need now and into the future and focus on need for affordable rental housing. | Council is currently or is about to review the Outdoor Sports and Recreation Plan and PoMs for OpenSpace, Parks and Reserves and the submission will be provided to the Recreation officer/Places and Projects Manager for consideration NSW Government agencies also own lands in the area that are used for community activities Matter addressed in draft LSPS in scope of Action 1.2, Action 5.1. LSPS themes and Planning Priorities: PP2, PP5 | Yes  
1. Add refine text to Strategic Context, Our Community and Our Housing sections.  
3. Add GSC Housing Targets table. |
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| 11      | #438011       | The Institute is a NSW Government authority who delivers the NSW Cancer Plan to reduce the incidence of cancer and the NSW Skin Cancer Prevention Strategy. Skin cancer is the most common cancer in Australia. Comments:  
- Skin cancer is preventable with personal protective behaviours and well-designed and correctly positioned shade (natural vegetation and built structures). Good quality shade is integral reducing exposure to UVR, but needs to be planned and provided with care and thought if it is to be effective.  
- Local planning provisions and policies can be a practical way to deliver shade and encourage its retention and addition.  
- Commends Council on its recognition of the importance of urban trees and vegetation, and in optimising the use and enjoyment of open space and recreation facilities.  

Requests to make natural and built shade a priority of the LPS, and to include LPS content that supports shade in planning and design e.g. principals for new commercial and residential development in DCP, provision of well-designed shade in public spaces - playgrounds, recreation areas, commercial centres, bus stops, along footpaths and streets etc.  

Suggestion inclusion of specific references to shade provision. Despite the focus on urban trees and open space, the words ‘shading/shade’ are not mentioned in the LSPS and suggest adding a reference in the ‘Trees’ section in the Strategic Context Chapter. | Council provides shade on public lands through its commitment to being the oldest garden suburb and preserving the character of the area. This involves the street tree planting program and providing trees/canopy structures in recreational spaces to create shade and hence address shade for health. Via the Recreational Plan/PoMs e.g. play equipment, BBQ areas, sports fields, addressing access to sunlight/shaded areas as development controls in the DCP in line with current standards. The submission will be provided to Council's Street Tree officer/Works and Service team for their consideration.  

The street tree planting program should be formalised through a Council policy/local approvals policy to assist staff in implementing the program. This would be a timely review of practices and could future-proof the program for assets management/sustainability needs and help better inform the community about our future approach.  

The submission will be provided to Council development and Strategic Planner/Works and Service team for their consideration in the DCP review.  

Council is currently or has planned a review of the Outdoor Sports and Recreation Plan and PoMs for OpenSpace, Parks and Reserves and the submission will be provided to the Recreation officer/Places and Projects Manager for consideration in the review of these plans.  

Council supports the retention and planting of trees on private lands through development controls in the DCP and implementing the Vegetation in Non- | Yes.  
2. Add new Street Tree Canopy map |
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| 12      | #418946 #438012 | Requests Council to research housing need and recognise the need for AH and that AH is critical social and economic infrastructure in line with leading research and the latest Australian Infrastructure Audit in the LSPS. Recommendations:  
  - Additional local data on housing affordability (median income, median dwelling prices, levels of housing stress, mortgage stress), housing density  
  - Amend data on social housing as a proportion of total stock for greater clarity and so absolute values match the percentages.  
  - Investigate strategies to support and encourage new innovative housing to increase diversity e.g. shop top housing, and sensitive infill strategies for progressive densification of low density areas.  
  - Provide adaptable housing informed by the Liveable Housing Guidelines  
  - Ensure the built environment and amenity is designed to be accessible to all members of the community, i.e., Seven Principles of Universal Design  
  - Prepare AH Contribution Schemes under SEPP 70 for the entire LGA and/or for Gledswood Hospital Centre, Boroona Park and Hunters Hill Village, and consider setting contribution at 15% of new floor space.  
  - Exemption from s7.11 and/or s7.12 contributions for affordable housing development led by a Community Housing Provider (CHP) as part of the review of the contributions plan (Action 2.1, 2.2).  
  - Advocate for a significant proportion of the housing delivered on the Gledswood Hospital site to be social and AH, e.g. above 30%, as part of Action 3.4.  
  - State that Council will consider other planning mechanisms at its disposal to facilitate the delivery of AH, such as Voluntary Planning Agreements and use of section 7.11 contributions to deliver essential social and economic infrastructure such as affordable housing.  
  - Advocate to the NSW and Australian Governments for more social and AH development in the area and in the North District.  
  - Tackle AH issues at the metropolitan and regional level, through collaboration with other LGAs, and advocate for a Regional AH Strategy  
  - Advocate to NSW Government for reform of the Residential Tenancies Act to end ‘no-gounds’ evictions.  
  - Align the review of the LSPS and the LHS with the review of the LEP and the DCP, every five years  
  - Include indicators for AH as part of the monitoring section of the LSPS | Rural Areas SEPP so trees are not unnecessarily removed.  
The area has a high percentage of tree canopy and shade compared to other areas, about 5000 street trees.  
LSPS themes and Planning Priorities: PP4, PP5, PP8 | Yes.  
1. Add refine text to Strategic Context for Our Community and Our Housing.  
3. Add GSC Housing Targets table.  
The draft LSPS supports the provision of a range of housing options, which is reflected in the local housing strategy action, the AH investigation and target action, research to support understanding of community needs, and specific SEPP 70 AH action.  
The submission will be addressed in the local housing strategy, which will be prepared from 2020. There is a significant proportion of public housing and other community housing supply in the area and Council is supportive of retaining this stock and exploring future needs. Opportunities to work with other councils at a district level, NSW Government agencies and other providers will be explored.  
It is not feasible to include some of the recommendations in the draft LSPS ahead of the local housing strategy, as the strategy would need to be considered by Council first. Likewise, the review of DCP would be informed by the local housing strategy. Details on AH can be included in the next review of the adopted LSPS.  
The North District Plan indicates the Greater Sydney Commission and the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment need to do further work on developing mechanisms to deliver AH and on population projections and demographic changes.  
LSPS themes and Planning Priorities: PP3, PP4 |
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<td>LSPS is an informative and provides helpful guidelines to our community. Congratulations to Council for preparing this forward-looking plan. Indicated the submission represents the majority of residents in Nelson Parade, rather than multiple individual submissions raising the same issues. Suggestions for the final version of the draft LSPS, for the Nelson Parade issue: 1. Greater commitment from Council, requested to clearly state its role to actively support our community, rather than passively liaising with government. 2. Complete removal of all contaminants is the agreed method of remediation. Council has repeatedly voted that this method of remediation is their position, and it should be clearly stated in the Council document to avoid ambiguity. 3. Residents “Agreed Position” document states complete removal in the overall goal of all residents, i.e. “it should be fully remediated by complete removal of all contamination in Nelson Parade.” 4. Removal/alternation of the last sentence in section (… for any land use or change in land use), which effectively supports Property NSW’s encapsulation position, i.e. reference to “change in land use”, which opens the door to encapsulation/ open space. Property NSW has initiated change in current residential use zoning so it can leave the radioactive material onsite. Residents overwhelmingly want the street to remain entirely residential.</td>
<td>The submission has been considered in updating the section on the Nelson Parade contaminated land section to indicate Council’s position and to remove any ambiguity around the last sentence that is lands should be fully remediated and contaminated for sustainability and health grounds. Council may wish to discuss this matter further. The contaminated land matter is a significant issue to community and is important to address it in regard to the purpose of the LSPS. But, resolution of the matter sits with NSW Government agencies. Council will continue to support the residents and work with NSW Government agencies in their resolution of the matter for the residents, health and environment. The unresolved remediation of the land would have a negative impact on other aspects of the draft LSPS e.g. sustainability and tourism development. LSPS themes and Planning Priorities: PPI, PP 8</td>
<td>Yes. 1. Add/ refine text to Strategic Context for Contaminated Land 2. Add stakeholder engagement to Measures – Action 1.1. Action 8.4</td>
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<td>#436030 #436091</td>
<td>The Trust supports the concept of a 20 year vision for land use in Hunters Hill, and most of the proposed actions and associated measures proposed to indicate their achievement. Comments: 1. Document improvements: suggests updates to include more local knowledge, updates include text and maps e.g. bridges, place names, park names, bus routes, what’s/ launching ramp, cycle ways versus cycle routes and shared paths, bushland/ landscape, Woolwich Baths. 2. Consultation section suggests updates for Feedback priorities, five key community precincts’ versus five locations, four key centres in the LGA. 3. Gladesville Town Centre: edits/ updates for Gladesville Occasional Child Care Centre. 4. Boroona Park Village: update for the proximity of Boroona Park Reserve 5. Woolwich Corner village is 1.8km from Garibaldi Village, why grouped together? 6. Structure Plan: consider location in document for ease of reading 7. Infrastructure and Collaboration: order of text in paragraph 2, explain how telecommunications relates to optimising access</td>
<td>The suggested document and section improvements and updates have been considered in the finalisation of the draft LSPS. Maps have been improved with clear and more accurate content. The local knowledge content is appreciated. Woolwich Corner village and Garibaldi village are grouped as they are the two villages on Woolwich Peninsula, and to address what focal points the peninsula has. Improvement to measures for actions supported and considered in finalisations of the draft LSPS. Comment on Action 4.4 and Action 4.6 is noted, but actions are different and justification addressed in our 20 Year Vision and Structure Plan sections.</td>
<td>Yes. 1. Add/ refine text to Strategic Context, Our Community, Our Access, Our Environment, Our Infrastructure, Implementation sections. 2. Add/ refine current maps and new maps – social infrastructure, access, heritage, recreation, Boroona Park village and reserve</td>
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<td>#438278</td>
<td>Actions: fix 1.2, 4.4 and 4.5 - no justification to specifying Gledesville Town Centre and Hunters Hill Village, 7.2 and 7.4 - not just locally (and long neglected), many residents cycle further than locally for recreation and commuting, as do residents of other municipalities who travel through Hunters Hill. 8.5 - mention the use of permeable surfaces around buildings to reduce run-off during heavy rainfall. Measures not specific enough to determine if an action is accomplished (1.3, 3.3, 3.1/3.3 versus 4.4, 4.5 - incompatibility, 8.2 - Masterplan endorsed by whom. Glossary of definitions for jargon words: e.g. place-making, local precincts, place-based planning, five key community precincts, four key centres. Implementation Plan (actions and measures): make available via Council's website to provide a running report of the Statement's application. There needs to be recognition of Council's difficulties in meeting expectations when it is limited by NSW Government's policies e.g. the Unsolicited Proposals Policy, and the use of private contractors who are not bound by the constraints of Hunters Hill's LEP and DCP.</td>
<td>The adopted LSPS will be available on Council's website, the Greater Sydney Commission's website and will be reported on via Council's annual Integrated Planning and Reporting process under the LG Act LSPS themes and Planning Priorities: PP1, PP4, PP6</td>
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Woolworths has 4 investments in LGA. LSPS is critical for certainty for business and communities for development outcomes. Request Council acknowledge that retail development (supermarkets) is critical in an area as it makes a valuable contribution to liveability of urban areas and ensures goods and services are located within proximity to where people live - crucial to any 30-minute city. There is no Planning Priority or Action for future vision or intended outcome of retail development/mixed use in the LGA. Recommendations:  
Not finalise LSPS before exhibition of Housing Strategy, critical to strategic direction for LGA.  
Supports investigations to improve transport connections with other key centres around Hunters Hill, to improve the serviceability and efficiency of all businesses. Council encouraged to extend investigations to technological improvements in transport.  
Encourage innovation and flexibility in land use and adaptable business spaces, to respond to changing customer needs, digital and physical spaces merging, growth in pick-up and drive-thru features at our stores.  
Promoting local neighbourhood retail renewal, avoiding ad hoc caps on supermarket sizes - renewal of existing retail strips will be required to keep pace with customer and community expectations, but fragmentation of retail landholdings and ownership in traditional retail strips present challenges in achieving holistic renewal outcomes.  
Funding of road infrastructure to service new retail development is critical to managing the freight, servicing and delivery requirements of modern supermarkets and distribution centres. |

The submission puts forward suggestions that directly relate to the interest of supermarket-retail activities, notwithstanding retail/supermarket contribution to a local area’s liveability. The submission has been considered in the finalisation of the draft LSPS. Retail and other land uses that permit trade are not championed in the draft LSPS actions alone. Some recommendations related to matters applicable across NSW and should be raised with DPE e.g. floor space, funding road infrastructure and transport connections, and freight matter especially for regional and State roads. Not feasible to include the recommendation to include the housing strategy in the draft LSPS, as it is yet to be undertaken. The study will commence in 2020. Land use provisions for uses in centres, including retail and supermarket FSIR, are in line with the DPE directions and the Standard Planning Instrument. Council Section 7.12 Contributions Plan 2020 provides certainty around...
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<td>- Woolwich Corner Village/Geribaldi village, are two distinct areas situated near the Woolwich pier. Where did the Woolwich Corner Village come from? It is not mentioned in “The Industrial Village of Woolwich” by Connie Ewald (1989, 2000). - Draft LSPS makes statements about providing adequate parking and creating “great places and streetscapes for people” with little detail as to how that will be achieved. - Traffic and parking is an ongoing problem for residents and visitors in Woolwich. Does Council have an updated Traffic Management Plan? It is essential when dealing with development applications (Dias), so the street parking is insisted upon. - A pedestrian crossing on Woolwich Road between the Woolwich Pier Hotel and Cucinotta Restaurant is needed. Currently there is a speed hump marked with white lines which people mistake for a legal crossing. This is dangerous.</td>
<td>The submission has been considered in the finalisation of the draft LSPS. The Woolwich Corner Village was developed for the draft LSPS to distinguish the size of the location from the larger villages in the area e.g. Hunters Hill Village, Bexley Park Village. Corner, implies a scale like ‘corner shops’ or neighbourhood shops. The use of the term, is only for the purposes of the draft LSPS. Comments about parking and great places are noted. Council is currently preparing a local Parking Strategy (intra-urban?) and the submission will be provided to the Transport Engineer/Works and Services team for consideration. A Traffic Management Plan will be done in 2024-25 (?), with funding support from the Contribution Plan 2020. The comment about the pedestrian crossing relates to work that Council consider via the Local Traffic Committee. The submission will be provided to the</td>
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| 17      | #438343       | Comments of the strategic planning team of the council are  
**Infrastructure and Collaboration.** Supported:  
- Action 2.3 to deliver City Serving Transport Corridor along Victoria Road.  
- Action 2.5 to investigate future uses for former Gladesville Hospital site.  
**Liveability and Productivity.** Supported:  
- Action 7.2 to improve active transport options for connectivity to local centres and public transport nodes and dovetails with our cycling strategy, which seeks to increase cycle connectivity with Gladesville Bridge and expand the regional cycling network. The council is developing a Bike Plan and would like to liaise with Council to ensure cycle path on both sides of the bridge are compatible.  
**Sustainability.** Supported  
- Action 8.5 to improve stormwater management and work with Parramatta River Catchment Group, as does our council who also supports the Ten Steps to a Living River. | Traffic Engineer/Works and Services team for their consideration.  
Matter addressed in draft LSPS in scope of Action 2.4.  
LSPS themes and Planning Priorities: PP2 | The submission is noted along with the collaborative approach to planning across LGA boundaries to ensure a broader and better place-based approach is delivered by councils to regional/district communities.  
Council welcomes working with City of Canada Bay on the indicated actions and projects of the draft LSPS (and also addressed in the City of Canada Bay LSPS).  
LSPS themes and Planning Priorities: PP2, PP7, PP8 | Yes.  
1. Add Central District (City of Canada Bay) to Action Priority 2.3  
2. Add working with Central District (City of Canada Bay) and working with adjoining councils on connectivity projects to Action 7.2, Action 7.4.  
3. Add stakeholder engagement and collaboration with adjoining councils to Measures – Action 2.3, Action 2.5, Action 7.2, Action 7.4, Action 8.5  
3. Add refine text to Hunters Hill and its Transport and Access Map |
| 22      | #438284       | Like to see a nice cafe at Boronia Park. This park is lovely to visit but no reason to stay round and enjoy the view. | Submission relates to Council’s current renewal of Boronia Park Reserve PoM. The ability for any scale of commercial activity, like a cafe in a park is addressed under the LG Act. While some is possible with plans and approvals in place, the viability of such ventures also need to be considered. The submission will be provided to Council’s Recreation officer, PoM officer/Works & Service team for consideration.  
LSPS themes and Planning Priorities: PP6, PP8 | Yes.  
1. Add PoMs and review of commercial use of public lands to Measures – Action 6.1, Action 8.6 |
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<td>Kaufland is a German supermarket company that has been operating since 1984. It’s one of Europe’s largest grocery retail chains and intends to roll-out full-line supermarkets across Australia. It’s supportive of the draft LSPS and the vision to revitalise and enhance the town centres and villages and to achieve the 150 new housing dwelling target set by the Greater Sydney Commission. Suggests: • Acknowledge the importance of retail trade for employment and of larger retail developments in local centres that would support Planning priorities of the draft LSPS. • Supports accessible largest footprint retail developments for residents for employment and competitive reasons. • Supports development of housing study with housing choices for various stage of life, social needs and household types and that study extends to identifying locations, density etc, while respecting our charter an visual setting. • Supports new housing proximity to services and facilities and public transport along with commercial and retail space being in proximity to new housing to support a 30-minute city. • Working with community and stakeholder groups to create opportunities for business and community interactions and include action to work with business for investment in “business-attraction” to support employment, growth and the jobs goal of the North District Plan. Suggests LSPS would benefit from an economic development action. • Supports improved investment and range of retail floor spaces that support job creation and research around emerging retail trends. • Supports connectivity in and between LGAs and to key centres of the North District. • Committed to retail offering committed to sustainability to deliver value to customers and residents, community and business. • Advocates for additional commercial and retail floor space for employment generation. • Supports revitalisation of town centres and villages to future proof business and cater for long term economic development in area. • Advocates continued commitment to the 30-minute city.</td>
<td>The submission puts forward suggestions that directly relate to the interest of supermarket-retail activities, notwithstanding retail/supermarket contribution to a local area’s liveability. The submission has been considered in the finalisation of the draft LSPS. Matters raised are addressed in Action 4.5, Action 6.1, Action 7.1, Action 7.2. A focus on improved development outcomes is addressed in Action 7.1 like, adaptable business spaces, new technology and sustainable business practices. This action will also be considered with Action 8.1, which will the review of the DCP. Suggestions on larger retail development and FSR are noted, but any development must comply with the development controls of the LEP and DCP, which provided for appropriate development in this community, while protecting the built and natural environments. Matter addressed in draft LSPS in scope of Action 2.1, Action 2.2, Action 4.4, Action 4.5, Action 6.1. LSPS themes and Planning Priorities: PP2, PP4, PP6</td>
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<td>#427429</td>
<td>Engagement with the Land Council is an important and practical mechanism to ensure that the LSPS supports the vision and plans of local Aboriginal communities and culturally rich and healthy communities. Land councils are often significant landholders in any LGA and as such, ensuring that the visions and plans of the LSPS include Land Council lands will contribute to the long-term success of the LSPS. Aboriginal people’s interest in land is multifaceted and includes, but is not limited to, the use and management of land for culture and heritage purposes as well as providing economic development opportunities for Aboriginal people.</td>
<td>The submissions is addressed in Action 2.6, Action 5.1, Action 5.2, Action 8.2 of the draft LSPS. Council will work with the local Aboriginal Land Council and consult as required. LSPS themes and Planning Priorities: PP2, PP5, PP6, PP8</td>
<td>Yes. 1. Add stakeholder engagement and collaboration with Land Council to Measures – Action 2.6, Action 5.1, Action 5.2, Action 8.5</td>
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| 5       | #437964       | Create NSW committed to increasing access to creativity, arts and culture that enables us to reflect and celebrate who we are, express our identity and activate gathering places across NSW for everyone’s benefit. Aims to further the Government’s vision for arts and culture that engages the community, supports innovation, facilitates economic development, reflects the State’s rich diversity and supports a healthy and happy community. Suggests:  
  
- Inclusion of cultural objectives to integrate cultural activity and infrastructure into local planning processes and LSPS, like  
  
i. Relationship with the local Aboriginal community  
ii. Existing cultural infrastructure (The NSW Cultural Infrastructure Plan 2022+ (2019) provides a framework for planning and delivery of cultural infrastructure across NSW)  
iii. Cultural diversity within Hunter’s Hill  
iv. The benefits of art and culture to a successful night-time economy  
v. The existence or potential of cultural industries in your area  
vi. Existing and future public art projects  
vii. Joint-use opportunities  
viii. Tourism opportunities  
ix. The impact of arts and culture to successful place making  
x. The benefit of access to arts and culture for the health and wellbeing of your residents, paying consideration to access by people with disabilities, seniors and children and young people.  

- Stronger references to the role of arts and culture in vision statement.  
- Action 1.2 - Explore opportunities for shared use of private infrastructure.  
  
Add joint-use infrastructure for arts and cultural activity e.g. rehearsal spaces and exhibition and production depending on the facility.  

- Action 3.4 - In conjunction with 3.1 and 6.2. Work with NSW Government, to deliver a housing, community, cultural and recreational solution for the former Gladesville Hospital site. Provide advice to help deliver community and cultural solutions for the Gladesville Hospital site.  

- Action 6.1. Use place-making initiatives for centres and villages and key sites.  

The submission has been considered in the finalisation of the draft LSPS. It has been updated with commentary on arts and culture and a new Our Infrastructure map to highlight public community facilities, including Council facilities available to the community. The suggestion to include arts and culture in the 20-year vision is not supported, as it is broad statement that embraces arts and culture in celebrating the area and was extensively workshops with Councillors who represent the community.  

Council has an active arts and culture program, which includes Council sponsored arts shows at the town hall and Mooroobool and new public domain improvements projects.  

Council will actively address the role of arts and culture in contributing and creating place through the placed-based initiatives for the town centres, villages and other precincts identified in the LSPS. Activation of places is currently being addressed in Gladesville Town Centre through the Action Plan for Improving the Commercial Core of Gladesville, and Council is exploring the delivery of a Library services in Hunters Hill Village.  

The submission will be provided to the Places and Projects Manager for consideration in the review of relevant community development policies. | Yes.  

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<td>#437568</td>
<td>Sport NSW supports the draft LSPS, and in particular, Action 1.2, Action 2.1, Action 3.4. Suggest:</td>
<td>Create NSW will be consulted as a stakeholder in any of the relevant actions. LSPS themes and Planning Priorities: Actions: LSPS themes and Planning Priorities: PP1, PP2, PP4, PP5, PP6, PP7, PP8</td>
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<td>• Open Space and Recreation section – changes to text to flow better</td>
<td>Action 4.2. Prepare a masterplan for Gladesville Hospital Precinct, including former Gladesville Hospital site use Sports NSW data in planning.</td>
<td>1. Add/ refine text to Open Space and Recreation section and Woolwich Dock and Parklands section.</td>
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<td>• Woolwich Dock and Parklands – refer to the Harbour Trust's draft Recreational Strategy (2019) about public access to its land, the Trust and Sport NSW to ensure the sporting potential and recreational use of the Woolwich Docks and Parklands meets community expectations locally and more broadly</td>
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<td>2. Add stakeholder engagement and collaboration to Measures – Action 1.2, Action 3.4, Action 5.1, Action 6.2.</td>
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<td>• Action 2.5 (former Gladstone site) – include text in action, to work with the NSW Government and Local Area Health District to address the future of the former Gladstone Hospital site.</td>
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<td>• Action 5.1 (regular research) – reference to Office of Sport for local sports participation and facility needs.</td>
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<td>• Action 6.2. Prepare a masterplan for Gladstone Hospital Precinct, including former Gladstone Hospital site use Sports NSW data in planning.</td>
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<td>Sport NSW developing District Sport Infrastructure Plans, and the initiative is identified by the GSC and District Plan. Plans to be a rationale for future facility provision and participation in sport and active recreation. Now collecting data and insights, which can inform and deliver LSPS actions, like PoMs, master planning and strategies for other place based development, e.g. Gladstone Hospital Precinct.</td>
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<td>The submission has been considered in the finalisation of the draft LSPS. The Open Space and Recreation section and the Woolwich Dock and Parklands section have been updated to provide more detail e.g. Harbour Trust’s draft recreational Strategy. In terms of suggestions to add Sports NSW actions, this is not supported in reference to NSW Government agencies lands, as the LSPS does not have jurisdiction over NSW Government agencies lands. The suggestions are measures for the purpose of the LSPS. In terms of the suggestion for Action 2.5, this already exists in the action. Once the District Sport Facility Infrastructure Plans are completed, their applicability to the area will be considered in the next review of the adopted LSPS, and in any interim directions of the GSC. Council’s has planned a review of the Outdoor Sports and Recreation Plan and the submission will be provided to the Recreation Officer / Places and Projects Manager for consideration in the review of this plan. The future review of this plan can make use of the GSC District Sport Facility Infrastructure Plans as they are made available.</td>
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| 7.     | #438007       | NSLHD Health Promotion seeks to ensure the built environment has a positive impact on health and well-being of individuals and community. Evidence linking the built environment to the health of the community by influencing: physical activity, healthy eating, tobacco use and alcohol consumption, community strength, social cohesion and mental wellbeing, planetary health. Recommendations:  
  - Vision. Opportunity to put people at the heart of vision e.g. incorporate concepts of ‘health and wellbeing’ and ‘social connectedness’ of residents, to inform land-use and transport planning policies.  
  - Open Space Map. Could include an overlay of transport and active travel networks, schools and local centres to highlight potential for better connections between transport and open space.  
  - Town centres Maps. Add key amenities - the library, shopping centre, supermarket, and transport routes to demonstrate current assets and gaps for town-centre planning.  
  - Consider expansion of Gladesville Town Centre study area for future housing plans in collaboration with Ryde Council so housing targets can be met.  
  - Structure Plan. More detailed legible and show ferry wharfs to highlight potential public transport connections to local centres and commuter routes to other parts of Sydney.  
  - Infrastructure and Collaboration. Priority 1 and Priority 2 Provide infrastructure to support community needs and aspirations:  
    a. Include map of existing social infrastructure, with potential for joint use agreements to illustrate its locations in relation to transport routes, population growth and other facilities e.g. parks, schools.  
    b. Identify opportunities to work with adjoining councils such as planning of Gladesville town centre and Boronia Park, so planning processes meet the needs of the community.  
  - Livability - Priority 3. Undertake a Housing Strategy to anticipate and provide for the residential growth of Hunters Hill by 2040.  
    a. Address provision of fresh food outlets in local centres so community has access to nutritious foods within walking distance as per Action 11 of North District Plan.  |
|        |               | The submission has been considered in the finalisation of the draft LSPS, and similar matters have been raised in other submissions e.g. mapping. The LSPS has been updated with more mapping that integrates transport and active travel networks.  
NSLHD Health Promotion will be consulted as a stakeholder in any relevant LSPS actions.  
In terms of the recommendations:  
  - expanding the Gladesville town centre study area is not supported, as the housing study needs to consider future housing target and the indicated area is adequate for the purpose of the LSPS.  
  - mapping Council’s existing social infrastructure, is supported and a map is included in the LSPS.  
  - mapping Council’s or other parties existing social infrastructure with potential for joint use agreement is not support, nor feasible and possibly subject to future commercial-in-confidence negotiations between parties.  
  - working with adjoint council is supported, and references to adjoining councils made clearer e.g City of Ryde and City of Canada Bay for town centres and connected active transport routes.  
  - addressing fresh food, the LSPS has been amended to highlight the importance of fresh food accessibility. Access to and take up of fresh is subject to vendor business models, prices/value for money and consumer behaviour.  |
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<td>Disperse social housing within new developments and the community generally, so it remains close to public transport</td>
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<td>Ensure new and existing neighbourhood designs provide a well connected street pattern, which supports walking and cycling arising for 400m to 500m (a five-minute walk) between destinations. e.g. site lines through larger blocks, footpaths and cycleways that are shaded with substantial tree canopies, mid-rip facilities (seats, shade, water), footpaths wide enough for a diversity of users and enjoyment, paths and cycleways between Hunter’s Hill Council and its adjoining councils, convenient pedestrian crossing opportunities.</td>
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<td>Highlight what the current (and planned) upgrades to local schools will achieve in terms of capacity and how that relates to planned growth.</td>
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<td>- Priority 5. Provide a caring and safe community where healthy activities are encouraged and promote a strong sense of community and connection among residents by 2040</td>
<td>a. Include map of existing social infrastructure such as community centres and potential facilities for joint uses to illustrate its location in relation to transport routes, population growth and other facilities e.g. parks.</td>
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<td>b. Cluster and co-locate social infrastructure e.g. libraries, cultural facilities and sporting fields, and green infrastructure e.g. parks near public transport.</td>
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<td>c. In accordance with the NSW Premier’s Priority, increase proportion of homes within ten minutes’ walk of quality green, open and public space by ten per cent by 2023.</td>
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<td>d. Prioritisation of pedestrians and cyclists in streetscape designs and ensure the needs of older people and those with disabilities are met e.g. wide footpaths and disabled parking.</td>
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<td>- Priority 6. Work with community and local stakeholders to develop places for business and community interaction.</td>
<td>a. More detail on how sense of place and belonging will be achieved in public spaces e.g. public art, seating, performance spaces and</td>
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<td>• housing strategy, a range of housing supply and housing stock/mix matters will be addressed in line with DPIE’s Local Housing Study Guidelines, and in turn the review of the LEP and DCP.</td>
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<td>• affordable housing, design of neighbourhoods, prioritize pedestrians/ cyclists in streetscape and the like, this may not be feasible in existing/ established areas due to development cycles and ownership of lands. The DCP review will include relevant controls for health, place making and the environment for new development proposals.</td>
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<td>• Highlight upgrades to schools in line with planned growth, this is a matter for the Department of Education and other school providers and not the jurisdiction of Council. The area is well service with a range of schools as discussed in the LSPS. Council will work with education providers as required.</td>
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<td>• Council will continue to collaborate with Ryde Council and relevant State agencies for infrastructure, transport planning and active transport options to promote healthy living.</td>
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<td><strong>Productivity - Priority 7. Encourage the development of local centres to support business and provide local centres for the community:</strong>&lt;br&gt;a. Provide diverse late night attractions such as night markets, lit parks and public spaces&lt;br&gt;b. Planning controls should support co-working spaces which allow residents who work from home access meeting and office spaces locally and minimise their commute (7.8% of residents work from home in this LGA which is above North District average)&lt;br&gt;c. Use place making approach to create mixed use centres which are attractive and walkable to support small businesses; co-working spaces, fresh food outlets and local employment. Reducing car dependency can activate centres by increasing foot traffic and time spent at local centres by residents and visitors.&lt;br&gt;d. Identify opportunities to reduce car use for travel to work and schools, in collaboration with Transport for NSW</td>
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<td><strong>Sustainability - Goal: Facilitate and undertake sustainable practices:</strong>&lt;br&gt;a. Add a priority or action which addresses changing the community's travel behaviour through sustainable transport, promoting active travel modes to minimise CO2 emissions from private vehicles.&lt;br&gt;b. Provide baseline of urban tree canopy and whether the Council intends to increase or maintain.&lt;br&gt;c. Address actions mitigate urban heat particularly in local centres, schools, aged care retirement villages, social housing developments.&lt;br&gt;d. Address sustainable practices for key community events such as New Year's Eve celebrations and festivals.</td>
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<td><strong>Measuring Performance - The Pulse of Greater Sydney</strong>, outlines performance indicators developed by the GSC, which address healthy urban planning. Health indicators for reporting in the GSC 10 Directions are&lt;br&gt;P. Indicator 2 - 30 minute city. Percentage of dwellings within 30 minutes of the nearest metropolitan and strategic centre using the public transport network and/or walking during the morning peak&lt;br&gt;P. Indicator 3 - Walkable Places: Proportion of trips by walking. Travel mode to work. Access to open space&lt;br&gt;P. Indicator 4 - Addressing Urban Heat. Tree canopy cover in urban area, number of hot days (&gt;35°C), Urban Heat&lt;br&gt;a. Performance Indicators be included as a new section under Implementation, Monitoring and Evaluation or incorporated into Section 5, Plan Summary.</td>
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<td>Sydney Water comments on Planning Priorities:</td>
<td>The submission has been considered in the finalisation of the draft LSPTS, and similar matters have been raised in other submissions. See the NSW EPA submission below.</td>
<td>Yes 1. Add stakeholder engagement and collaboration to Measures – Action 2.5, Action 3.1, Action 3.3, Action 3.4, Action 4.2, Action 4.5, Action 5.1, Action 8.4.</td>
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<td>• PP2. Provide infrastructure to support community needs and aspirations. Encouraged to promote Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) principles in all development works and asset management and integrate best practice WSUD and waterway health targets into planning controls, so re development of private land can assist in addressing waterway health issues Sydney Water willing to explore opportunities to support Council to do this.</td>
<td>Sydney Water will be consulted as a stakeholder in any relevant LSPTS actions. Council collaborates with various NSW Government agencies on a regular basis. In terms of the suggestions:</td>
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<td>• PP3. Undertake a Housing Strategy to anticipate and provide for the residential growth of Hunter Hill by 2040. Requested to inform Sydney Water of potential changes to projected population, dwelling and employment data, to align with infrastructure delivery with Sydney's growth. It will engage with Council on water and water infrastructure needs for the area.</td>
<td>• WSUD, this will be addressed in the DCP review for development on private land and raised with the Works and Services Team for addressing in asset management plans. Project populations, incremental change in population from permissible development (i.e. local SEPPs) is notified through the current process; planned changes to population will involve Sydney Water as a stakeholder at the local strategic planning level so its infrastructure delivery can be considered.</td>
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<td>• PP4. Provide land use planning framework to support community needs and aspirations. Encouraged to review options for improving sustainability requirements of new development through LEP and DCP controls. Where appropriate, develop controls to compel developers to connect to planned recycled water schemes for all non-potable water uses, including dedicating space for required metering, storage, connection and plumbing infrastructure.</td>
<td>• Sustainability, this will be addressed in the DCP review for development on private land.</td>
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<td>• PP5. Provide a caring and safe community where healthy activities are encouraged and promote a strong sense of community and connection among residents by 2040. Recommends that green infrastructure be recognised as essential infrastructure to encourage healthy activities and supported connected communities. Wants to work with Northern Sydney councils and Council to develop a regional Green Grid Masterplan aimed to manage and increase the urban forest canopy cover and Council in the area of increasing cool shade to alleviate urban heat island effects.</td>
<td>• Green infrastructure/ healthy activities/ shade, Council provides a range of green or open space infrastructure across the area and the provision of shade is considered in Polis and via the Street Tree Planting program.</td>
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<td>• PP6. Maintain and enhance the natural and built heritage character of Hunters Hill. Supports planning priority for waterways and wants to share learnings from Parramatta River Master Plan and interested in Council insights on stormwater management and improving waterway health. Encourages Council to work with local catchment stakeholders to develop catchment land use policy and statutory planning mechanisms that improve water quality across the catchments. Supports Action 8.4. Wants to contribute to any future community engagement and education to reduce water</td>
<td>• LEP. Sydney Water lands will be zoned in accordance with DPIE guidelines and directions for land use zones. Council will consult Sydney Water in any planning proposals with regard to its water and water infrastructure planning and management. Council</td>
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| 18      | #435910        | Consumption and increase re-use, and improve re-use and resource recovery e.g. non-portable recycled water and storm water harvesting.  
Preparation of LEP  
Requested to consider appropriate land use zoning for water related operational infrastructure. Sydney Water to provide further advice on appropriate zoning if its infrastructure as part of formal consultation for future amendments to LEP. Requested to advise if when the next draft LEP is on exhibition.  
Implementation of the LSPS  
Suggests implementation plan to identify when and how action to be delivered. | Awaits further advice on any intended planning proposal from Sydney Water on appropriate zoning of its lands.  
Implementation measures have been added to actions to address who, how and when planning priorities will be addressed.  
LSPS Themes and Planning Priorities: PPS, PPS, PPS, PPS, PPS | Yes.  
1. Added/ update text to Strategic context – Our Economy – Mobility and Transport  
3. Add refine text to Transport and Access map, Structure Plan |
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<td>• Design local streets to be low-speed, low-traffic and low-stress environments that can be safely and comfortably used for walking and cycling, particularly by children. Section could benefit from a statement on the need for new medium density residential and commercial developments in renewed town centre to provide off-street loading facilities, so freight and service vehicle activity generated does not create additional congestion or detract from the amenity and sense of place outcomes envisioned by Council.</td>
<td>2. Not relevant, to be addressed in Outdoor Sport and Recreational Plan and Cycleway Strategy review and development.</td>
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<td>5. Gladesville Hospital/Action 4.5 (prepare masterplans). Supported by TNSW. Recommend to prepare an appropriate local transport study to support this work to investigate improvements to access, public and active transport opportunities, and to identify the necessary mitigation measures for additional trip demands e.g. travel demand strategies. TNSW will work with Council in the development of these studies.</td>
<td>3. Not applicable, summary of our consultant.</td>
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<td>6. Hunters Hill Village (plus other villages, Infrastructure &amp; Collaboration). Could consider adding text under vision: • Achieves higher rates of walking and cycling for short, everyday trips (e.g. to centres, schools, parks, public transport), offer important benefits in terms of community health, place-making and local transport network outcomes. • Aim is to increase rates of walking/cycling to school within walking and cycling distance by catering/prioritising access by the modes.</td>
<td>4. Noted, to be addressed in implementing the LSPS via actions/measures for detailed planning for centres/sites in consultation with NSW agencies and community. See Actions 1.4, 4.4, 4.5. The submission will be referred to the Traffic Engineers and Works and Services for their consideration in plans and strategies.</td>
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<td>7. Hunters Hill Village. Under ‘A Place that now offers’, could consider the need to align speed limits with safe outcomes for pedestrians in these highly pedestrianised areas e.g. 40km/h high pedestrian activity area, similar wording could be applied in the other areas of pedestrian significance.</td>
<td>5. Noted, to be address in implementing the LSPS via actions/measures and at project brief stage in consultation with TNSW.</td>
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<td>8. Goal Livability. • Could add an additional goal in for ‘great walkable places and streetscapes for people’ • TNSW will work with Council to investigate opportunities to improve public transport to support long term growth in Hunters Hill LGA.</td>
<td>6. Noted, to be address in implementing the LSPS via actions/measures and at project brief stage in consultation with TNSW.</td>
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<td>7. Consider there is an opportunity for Council with Contributions Plan and Centres Masterplans, to explore include provisions for transport infrastructure e.g. facilitating safe, secure pedestrian and cyclist access, quality public transport waiting facilities, wayfinding, EV/Hybrid vehicle charging infrastructure, quality end of trip facilities, priority parking provisions for carpooling and car share, line marking/signage/access to EV charging infrastructure. As per the District Plan, Council should consider future repurposing of car parks.</td>
<td>7. Not applicable, technical information not appropriate in LSPS level. To be addressed in implementing the LSPS via actions/measures. The submission will be referred to the Traffic Engineers and Works and Services for their consideration in plans and strategies.</td>
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<td>8. Actions. Suggest expanding to include road safety needs and new action to align with Greater Sydney Region Plan and North District Plan.</td>
<td>8. Noted, to be address in implementing the LSPS via actions/measures in consultation with TNSW. See Action 1.4, 2.1, 2.2, 2.4, 8.6. New action supported, as can be addressed in place-making initiatives of the LSPS and at project brief stage and NSW agency consultant stages, see Action 8.1. Commentary include for the Victoria Road Corridor in the LSPS. Movement type development controls will be considered in the DCP review, see Action 8.1.</td>
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<td>“We will work with Transport for NSW to support and implement travel behaviour change programs to help manage demand on the transport network, including by requiring new developments and businesses operating in key precincts to develop and implement travel plans to encourage the use of sustainable transport choices.”</td>
<td>The submission will be referred to the Traffic Engineer officer and Works and Services for their consideration in plans and strategies.</td>
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<td>• Statement could be included to address the need to balance the outcomes for transport customers on Victoria Road. TINSW will work with Council on the Victoria Road Corridor. TINSW has crucial need to balance outcomes for all transport customers on key movement corridors - Victoria Road is a key movement corridor for buses and freight and through movements on Victoria Road are given priority green time to help with journey time reliability, particularly for bus passengers and freight.</td>
<td>9. Discussion on freight delivery has been included in the LSPS. The matter will be considered in detailed place making initiatives for centres and planning and development stages. See Action 6.1. While TINSW has a desire to maintain the movement and accessibility of freight on the Victoria Road corridor, it is also important the TINSW recognised the need for the road to function in local place making initiatives to support the local centre’s economy and local community.</td>
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<td>• Actions. May consider including statements incorporating revised development controls in the future LEPT DCP amendments to achieve wider footpaths over the long term, to improve streetscape and provide more space and better amenity for place making initiatives e.g. landscaping, footway dining, without compromising the movement of pedestrians on footpaths. May also consider the need to activate multiple street frontages including local side streets so a fine-grain, walkable, activated grid street layout is maintained long term. This will help to improve place outcomes on local side streets as well as major roads.</td>
<td>10. Noted, Sustainability transport opportunities will be considered in conjunction with Action 6.6 with regard to Council operations and in conjunctions with the DCP review for the development process.</td>
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<td>9. PPA/PP6:</td>
<td>The submission will be referred to the Traffic Engineer officer, the Street Tree officer and Works and Services for their consideration in plans and strategies. With regard to carbon emission suggestion 5, Council may wish to consider a policy for Council operations and working with community.</td>
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<td>• Would benefit from discussion of last mile freight, its role in helping create and renew ‘great places’ and the need for good planning and management so it does not detract from amenity outcomes this priority aims for. Suggest include in an action so good planning for freight and servicing is reflected in LEPT DCP reviews.</td>
<td>Council may wish to consider a policy for Council operations and working with community. Council will consider a net-zero greenhouse gas emissions target and should consult with the community prior to including it in the Community Strategic Plan or LSPS.</td>
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<td>• Actions 7.2/7.4: Should note that a successful place generates a supply chain, whether it be a health or education precinct, retail or designated freight precinct. The key centres will retain the need for continued freight access (deliveries, waste and service vehicles) to serve the area in future. As growth increases in the centres, the volume and impact of freight and servicing activity will also increase. Supporting freight access for business, services and emerging industries is critical to support the long-term viability of the economy and competitiveness of Hunters Hill LGA and the North District. Maintaining the movement and accessibility of freight on Victoria Road corridor is necessary to support future economic growth of the Hunters Hill centres other centres.</td>
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<td>• Could consider changing action 7.2 to the following: Support walking or cycling to be the most convenient option for short trips by providing safe,</td>
<td>12. Noted, as they already take place through consultation with TINSW, or will be addressed through actions/measures of LSPS e.g. Victoria Road corridor, freight routes and industrial lands are protected by land use zoning and land</td>
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<td>high quality walking and cycling links that cater for and encourage short trips to local centres, public transport services, schools, local open space and the Green Grid, and other trip attractors.</td>
<td>use controls for lands. In particular, the Roads Act and SEPPs of the NSW Government protect road corridors and freight routes. The DCP review will consider if any development controls for these uses need updating. The place making initiatives for Gladesville centre will consider freight needs and where needed controls will be addressed in the DCP review.</td>
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<td>• Supportive of travel demand management measures to help reduce reliance on private motor vehicle travel, including the proposed removal/reduction of off-street car parking provision where appropriate.</td>
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<td>• Suggests incorporate specific sustainability actions relating to ‘transport’:</td>
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<td>➢ Council intends to reduce transport related emissions within, and in collaboration with, the community.</td>
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<td>➢ Improve public vehicle fleet/ influence private vehicle fleet to more energy efficient fuels, promote carpooling within community, when public transport is not viable, facilitate provision of car share facilities as an alternative to car ownership/ replacing ownership of multiple private vehicles.</td>
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<td>• Would like Council to add text: Integrate the Principal Bicycle Network into Council’s land use and local transport network planning, to ensure opportunities to support cycling as a convenient option for short trips are identified. This includes aligning local bike network planning, new development and place-making opportunities with the Principal Bicycle Network.</td>
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<td>• Supports initiatives that help increase urban tree canopy and improve public domain, but notes that any street trees proposed within the kerbside clear zone of arterial roads should be suitably located and frangible for road safety reasons.</td>
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<td>• Encourages widening of footpaths, particularly where landscaping, street furniture and outdoor dining is proposed, so footpaths are of adequate width to be accessible for all users. Explore in LEP/DCP amendments, in consultation with TNSW.</td>
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<td>• Suggests adding an Action to align with North District Plan: &quot;Transport demand management initiatives including working from home, improved walking and cycling, improved access to car sharing, carpooling and on-demand transport will also be considered in helping to achieve net zero greenhouse gas emissions.&quot;</td>
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<td>• Early consultation on traffic generating land use proposals e.g. schools, hospitals, retail developments so developments are suitably located/ designed in relation to road safety, traffic, access, amenity outcomes</td>
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<td>• Consider how T4NSW owned land in the LGA could be utilised to support place making outcomes, enhance transport outcomes and meet local housing needs through the LEP review.</td>
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<td>• Cycling infrastructure/ safe local streets could accommodate emerging and future forms of micro-mobility, e.g. e-bikes, e-scooters. Should have measures to develop a network of safe cycling routes and local streets to accommodate micro-mobility.</td>
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<td>• Need to give effect to the North District Plan’s Planning Priority H14/ Action 60.</td>
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<td>• Identify key freight routes and protect from incompatible uses. i.e. Burns Bay Road and Victoria Road servicing nearby industrial areas at Gladesville, Lane Cove West and Artarmon. With the retention of industrial zoning in other LGAs, freight movements in Hunters Hill will continue into the future.</td>
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<td>• Minimising negative impacts of freight requires acknowledgement that all developments (including non-freight uses such as residential, retail and commercial) have a freight, logistics or servicing requirement that needs to be adequately supported. Non-freight land uses near freight corridors and industrial land need to be designed and constructed with appropriate measures to deal with issues such as noise and traffic impacts, including buffer zones. The renewal of Gladesville town centre needs to consider existing and future freight requirements.</td>
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<td>• The Road Safety Plan 2021 commits to working with councils and communities on integrated transport and land use planning and investigating potential to develop long term precinct plans for all strategically important centres and places. Focus on balancing the transport movement needs of the community with high quality urban design that support community safety and place-making outcomes and should be included in the integrated transport plan. Will work with the Council on the specific actions relating to road safety initiatives.</td>
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<td>Encouraged to consider how known and potential heritage places and values contribute to local character and sense of place for community, indigenous and non-indigenous matters. Council congratulated on strong recognition of heritage and culture as fundamental aspect of identify the city and local area. Supports many initiatives of LSPS: • Aboriginal cultural heritage • identifying significance vegetation/bushland/landscapes in area and as part of Sydney Harbour Parklands area, • maintain and enhance character of natural and built heritage character, including Heritage Character Statements for conservation areas and review of DCP to control preservation of character and amenity.</td>
<td>The submission has been considered in the finalisation of the draft LSPS, and with other submission raising similar matters for our heritage and culture. D&amp;T/NSW Health will be consulted as a stakeholder in any relevant LSPS actions. Council collaborates with various NSW Government agencies on a regular basis. In terms of the four suggestions, they will be first addressed in the heritage.</td>
<td>Yes. 1. Added/ update text to Strategic context – Our Heritage. 2. Add stakeholder engagement and collaboration to Measures – Action 1.1, Action 2.6, Action 3.1, Action 3.4 Action 4.1, Action 4.2, Action 4.5,</td>
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| 20     | #437986       | - Delivering local growth and new infrastructure, while protecting character and the heritage of area  
- Promoting and celebrating an understanding of the area’s character and cultural heritage (indigenous and non-indigenous) to residents and broader community  
- Review or heritage program, and updating heritage planning documents and resources for best-practice heritage management approach in place  
Suggestions for finalising the LSPS:  
1. Consider how Aboriginal cultural heritage and landscapes can be protected in LEP  
2. Consider the linkages between culture, heritage and tourism and the opportunities culture and heritage bring for economic growth  
3. Further articulate heritage as it relates to character of the city, including potentially identifying clusters of places and items which contribute to the significant character of the place  
4. Consider linkages between actions and priorities i.e. the ways in which heritage and culture contribute to an attractive and liveable city, as well as local employment and community wellbeing.  
Heritage NSW records show 9 State Heritage Items, 51 Recorded Aboriginal Sites, and notes the local heritage items listed in the LEP.  
Care must be taken to avoid impacts on items and sites and to mitigate these impacts where impacts unavoidable. Heritage NSW offers to provide more information on State heritage items and Aboriginal Sites  
The Development and Transactions (D&T) team is part of the Housing and Property Group of Department of Planning, Industry and Environment, and the submission is made on behalf of NSW Health (landowner for the Former Gladesville Hospital site).  
The former Gladesville Hospital site is an identified precinct in the LSPS and will play an important role in achieving the vision for the LGA. D&T is generally supportive of the draft LSPS and agrees there is a need for a revitalised hospital site. Comments:  
1. Action 2.5 Work with the NSW government and Local Area Health District to address the future of the former Gladesville Hospital site, as a key infrastructure asset for residential, community, cultural and recreational uses.  
D&T/NSW Health welcome opportunity to collaborate with Council and the community at an appropriate time as they explore the future uses of the site.  
2. Vision for former Gladesville Hospital site (precinct page). Request that the reference to the site being an innovation precinct be removed as the outcome of the review of future uses for the site are not known at this point. | Program review and concurrently with other actions e.g. the LEP review, DCP reviews, place-making initiatives, and promotional and celebratory activities. Heritage NSW functions and programs are a key way in which Council can progress heritage in the area, like using resources e.g. the Government Architects Offices’ Design Guide for Heritage. Council’s Heritage Advisor officer will play a key role in advising Council on the best-practice approach to heritage for the future crossing the organisation.  
Heritage NSW support for Heritage Character Statements is noted; along with the comments to retain our character and natural and built heritage.  
|        |               | The submission has been considered in the finalisation of the draft LSPS, and with other submission raising similar matters for our heritage and culture. Heritage NSW will be consulted as a stakeholder in any relevant LSPS actions, like the heritage Program review. Council collaborates with various NSW Government agencies on a regular basis. In terms of the suggestions:  
- Action 2.5, the collaborative approach of D&T/NSW Health is noted, and we look forward to them undertaking best practice community engagement along with Community Participation under the EP&A Act. Council is aware of NSW Health/NSW Government previous work and a draft CMP to progress | Yes,  
1. Added/ update text to Gladesville hospital Precinct section.  
2. Add stakeholder engagement and collaboration to Measures – Action 2.5, Action 6.1, Action 6.2 |
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<td>Former Gladesville Hospital site's heritage status. Request that the reference to the site being a State Heritage Item be removed and updated to reflect the site being listed on the NSW State Agency Section 170 Heritage and Conservation Register.</td>
<td>future uses for the site, and poor community consultation at the time. It is not known what is meant by ‘collaborate at an appropriate time’. It is proposed that the measure for actions include regular communication on a timeframe for the CMP with D&amp;T/NSW Health to better understand its timeframe.</td>
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| 4.      |              | Conservation Management Plan for the former Gladesville Hospital site. NSW Health is in early stages of developing a CMP with the intention of achieving a State Heritage Item listing, following consultation with both Council and the community. | • Vision for site, it is important that the site is innovatively redeveloped in line with place-based planning, heritage best practice and to meet community expectations articulated through our community consultation programs. The reference to ‘innovative precinct’ is updated to ‘innovative approach’ in the LSPS.  
• Heritage status of site, the reference to ‘State Heritage Item’ is to be updated ‘Section 170 register’ of the Heritage Act.  
The section 170 register listing still requires D&T/NSW Health to follow heritage best practice including using the Burra Charter, preparing a CMP and using NSW Heritage guidelines and manuals. The site is a local heritage items under the LEP. Council would require heritage document and justifications for any development proposal in line with the Heritage Conservation Management provisions of the LEP (Section 5.10).  
• CMP and proposed State Heritage Listing, this appears to be a new or updated of the draft CMP prepared about 15 years ago by NSW Health. It is proposed that the measure for actions include D&T/NSW health working with Council in developing the CMP and Council regularly communicate with them on a timeframe. |               |
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<td>EPA generic/ very detailed submission on Air Quality, Noise, Water Quality, Waste and Resource Recovery, and Contaminated Land matters that should need to be included in LSPS in planning for sustainability and resilience. Comments: - Air Quality and land use conflicts. The draft LSPS should identify outcomes that support meeting National Air Quality Standards, that recognise the role of councils in managing the cumulative air quality impacts of development and delivery clean, safe and healthy living environments. Should include action to consider air quality in all local planning instruments, set directions for enhanced planning controls to help minimise emissions from major sources and avoid air pollution impacts on residential and other sensitive land uses. - Healthy Waterways. Encouraged to use the Risk based Framework for Considering Waterway Health Outcomes in strategic land use planning decisions to determine actions for managing waterways. Should ideally include map of waterways, important aquatic ecosystems and riparian lands or corridors to highlight at risk management areas. Should recognise the management of cumulative impacts or urban stormwater with an urban water management plan and WSUD.</td>
<td>The submission has been considered in the finalisation of the draft LSPS, and with other submission. See Sydney Water – Urban Growth submission above. The matters raised are mostly addressed in the draft LSPS through actions and in turn NSW legislation that applies in planning and development application processes and for use management of land by all parties e.g. Protection of the Environment Operations Act. A number of matters require leadership, policy, regulation and enforcement from the NSW Government and Australian Government, as the proponents of legislation or are not relevant to the LGA. The EPA will be consulted as a stakeholder in any relevant LSPS actions. Council collaborates with various NSW Government agencies on a regular basis.</td>
<td>Yes. 1. Added/ update text to Strategic context – Our Environment (air quality, waste waterways, foreshore lines, carbon, heat/ hot days etc). 2. Add stakeholder engagement and collaboration to Measures – Action 1.1, Action 2.7, Action 6.1, Action 7.2, Action 8.2. 3. Add/ refine text to Hunters Hill and its Recreation map, Transport and Access map, Structure Plan. 4. Add new maps for street tree canopy, acid sulphate soils, forest...</td>
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<td>Contaminated Land. The draft LSPS should support SEPP 55 Remediation of Land and associated guidelines to manage the rezoning and development of contaminated land. Include action to consider contaminated land in local planning instruments.</td>
<td>In terms of the suggestions,</td>
<td>line, green grid, riparian lands, sensitive lands. 5. Add Events Suitability policy to Action 8.2.</td>
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<td>Waste and Resource Recovery. The draft LSPS should identify outcomes that help support and deliver:</td>
<td>• Air quality, commentary has been added to the draft LSPS to raise source and emissions issues. Air quality controls will be considered in the review of the DCP. EPA is involved in planning and development matters in line with legislation. Action 7.2 (active transport) will also support air quality improvements.</td>
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<td>• Waste and recycling targets – NSW Waste and Resource Recovery Strategy (and in development in the 20 Year Waste Strategy)</td>
<td>• Healthy Waterways, the area is largely surround by Lane Cove River and Parramatta River, Sydney RCP applies, and Council participates in the Parramatta River Coastal Management Plan and Parramatta Regional Park Plan as raised before. Private development impacts are considered in the development application process, using Council policies/strategies and NSW legislation. Council intends to review stormwater best practices guidelines and controls in the DCP review and flooding controls will be added at a later DCP review. For managing of Council lands (and setting controls for flooding), Council will undertake a Flood Study in 2022 and this is reflected in Action 2.7. The submission will be provided to Council RSP Officers, Bushland Management Officer, Asset Management Engineer and the Works and Service team for consideration in future activities.</td>
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<td>• the NSW Circular economy policy – e.g. procurement/recovery materials in construction/operational/maintenance; space for community repair, onsite waste management space</td>
<td>• Contaminated Land, the LEP includes planning controls for contaminated land in line with the Standard Instrument and SEPP 55. It applies as it applies to the area.</td>
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<td>• the National Food Waste Strategy - half food waste by 2030</td>
<td>• Waste and Resource Recovery, Action 8.2 will specifically address waste and EPA guidelines and tools for inclusion in the DCP. Waste at a consumer level will also be considered in the place-</td>
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<td>• UN Sustainable Development Goals</td>
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<td>• Local or precinct-specific resource Goals – e.g. zero waste, Inner West Council, construction waste Barangaroo.</td>
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Should include vision/encouragement for waste and resource recovery with circular economy perspective in all planning instruments e.g. zoning and development controls, participate in regional spatial strategies for waste, planning and development conditions of consent, use NSW environmental guidelines, review; develop local controls for shop home composting.

<p>|          |            | Noise and Land use conflicts. The draft LSPS should identify: | | |
|          |            | • External noise goals for infrastructure and industry where these | | |
|          |            | • Internal noise goals for noise sensitive development where these | | |
|          |            | • Areas of quiet amenity or areas to be created or preserved in urban areas to improve livability. Should include action to consider environmental noise in local planning instruments, enhance planning and development controls to minimise noise impacts on residential and other sensitive land uses e.g. planning for new Noise source: Transport infrastructure, industry and night-time economy, careful planning of sensitive land use (e.g. residential, schools) adjacent to transport infrastructure and industry. | | |</p>
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| 24      | #438286        | DPE's state Hunters Hill plays an important role in the provision of social housing in the Sydney Region, noting that:  
- There are 347 social housing properties in the LGA, mainly being units (96%).  
- The housing stock is ageing, with close to 100% over 51 years old  
- Social housing assets are dispersed across the LGA, with small concentrations in Gladesville and Hunters Hill  
- The NSW Government's Future Directions for Social Housing in NSW was released in 2016. In this strategy, the Corporation is delivering the Community Plus program to grow social housing portfolio. It delivers new and replaced social, affordable and private housing through renewal of exiting assets. New mixed tenure communities will be developed under the program where social housing integrated with private and affordable housing (and indistinguishable from surrounding housing)  
- DPE acknowledges Council's ongoing commitment to affordable housing.  
Suggests:  
- Include action which acknowledges the Community Plus program and Council's role in supporting the Corporation (LAHC) in its implementation. Action wording: Council will work with the NSW Land and Housing Corporation to support the renewal of social housing within the LGA, consistent with the Future Directions for Social Housing policy, including through facilitating changes to the planning framework for public housing assets where required.  
| making initiatives of the LSPS and which underpins the District Plan (Action 6.1). There is no waste management facility in the LGA and Council works with NSROC on the NSROC Waste Management Strategy. The submission will be referred to the Waste Education officer for consideration in activities. Council community engagement includes waste education and uses events sustainability practices, which could be formalised into a policy.  
- Noise, there are no major noise generating industries in the LGA Noise matters are regulated by Council under the Protection of the Environment Operations Act. LSPS themes and Planning Priorities: PP1, PP2, PP6, PP7, PP8  
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<td>Council will continue to work with the Corporation in relation to social housing provision in the area. If it wishes to seek Council’s support for any changes to the planning framework, it will need to engage and brief Council on proposed changes and why council support is required before hand. LSIS themes and Planning Priorities: PP3, PP4.</td>
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