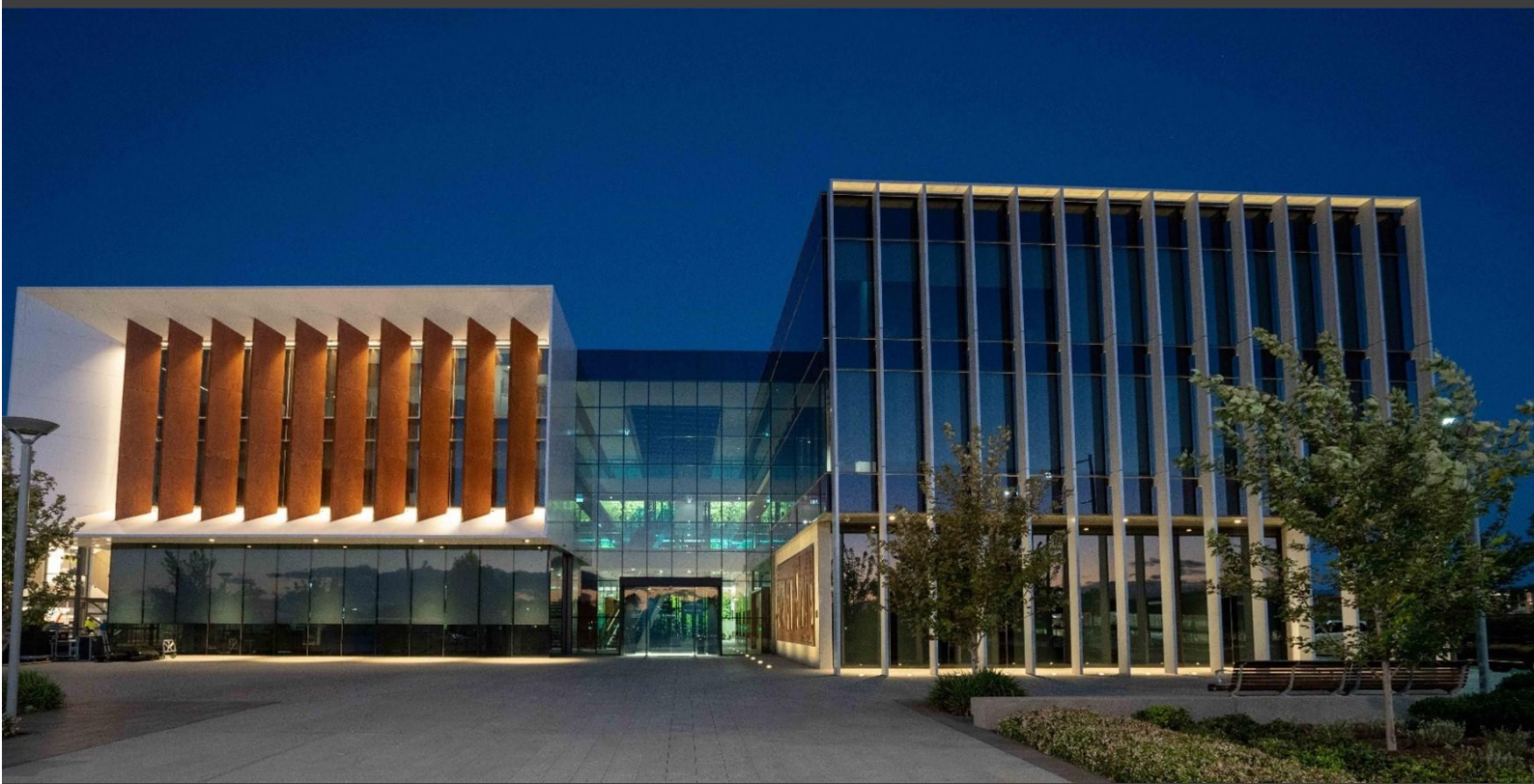


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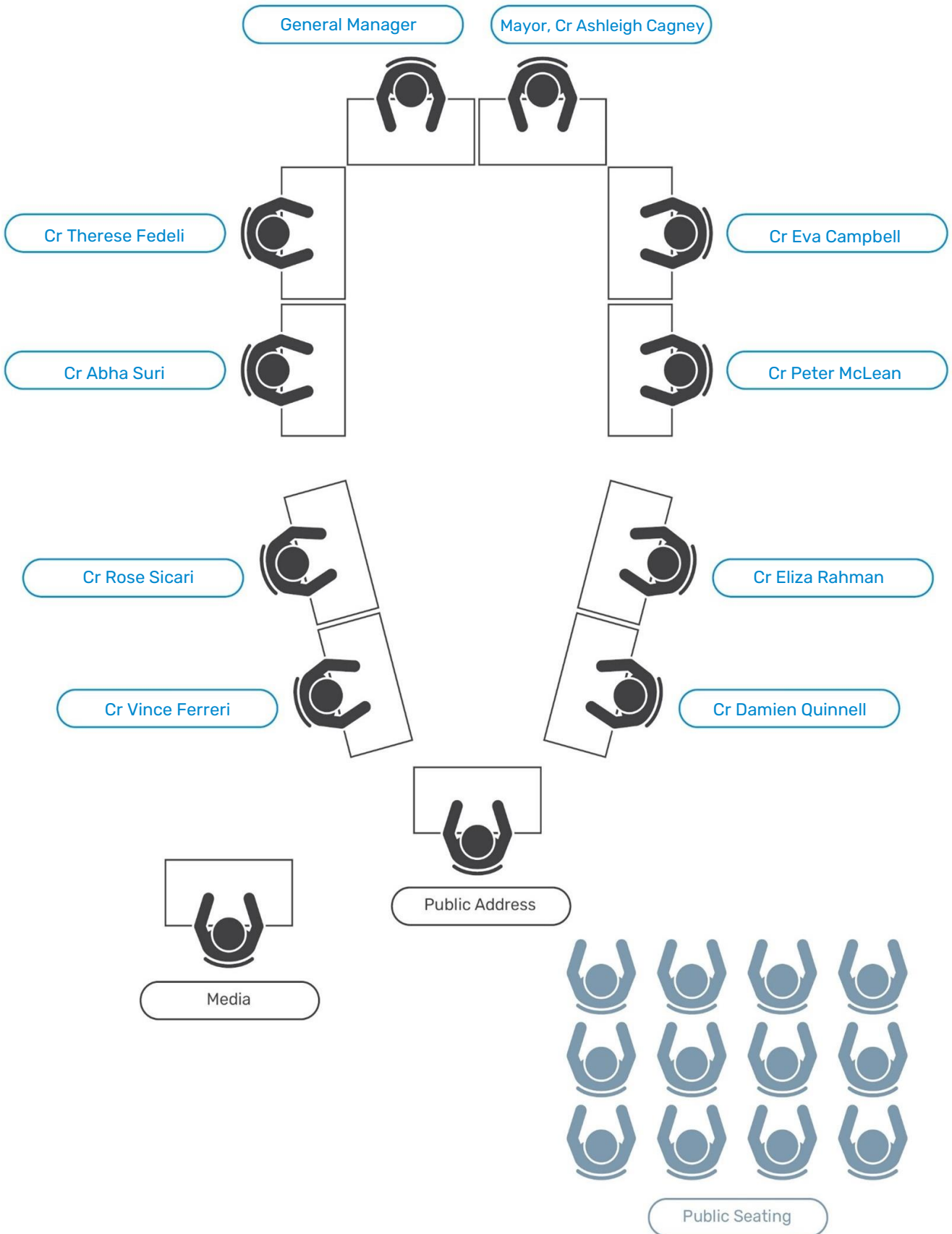


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COMMON ABBREVIATIONS

AEP	Annual Exceedance Probability
AHD	Australian Height Datum
CLEP	Camden Local Environmental Plan
CP	Contributions Plan
DA	Development Application
DCP	Development Control Plan
DPE	Department of Planning & Environment
TfNSW	Transport for NSW
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EP&A Act	Environmental Planning & Assessment Act
EPA	Environmental Protection Authority
EPI	Environmental Planning Instrument
FPL	Flood Planning Level
GCC	Greater Cities Commission
LAP	Local Approvals Policy
LEP	Local Environmental Plan
LGA	Local Government Area
LSPS	Local Strategic Planning Statement
NCC	National Construction Code
REP	Regional Environmental Plan
PoM	Plan of Management
RL	Reduced Levels
S10.7 CERTIFICATE	Certificate as to zoning and planning restrictions on properties
S603 CERTIFICATE	Certificate as to Rates and Charges outstanding on a property
S73 CERTIFICATE	Certificate from Sydney Water regarding Subdivision
SEPP	State Environmental Planning Policy
SREP	Sydney Regional Environmental Plan
STP	Sewerage Treatment Plant
VMP	Vegetation Management Plan
VPA	Voluntary Planning Agreement



OATH AND AFFIRMATION FOR COUNCILLORS

In accordance with section 233A of the *Local Government Act 1993*, all elected Councillors must take an oath of office or make an affirmation of office at or before the first meeting of the Council.

The oath or affirmation may be taken or made before the General Manager, an Australian legal practitioner or a Justice of the Peace.

A Councillor who fails, without a reasonable excuse, to take the oath of office or make an affirmation of the office in accordance with the Act is not entitled to attend a meeting as a Councillor, until the Councillor has taken the oath or made the affirmation.

OATH

“I [*name of councillor*] swear that I will undertake the duties of the office of Councillor in the best interests of the people of the Camden Local Government Area and the Camden Council and that I will faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in me under the *Local Government Act 1993* or any other Act to the best of my ability and judgment”.

AFFIRMATION

“I [*name of councillor*] solemnly and sincerely declare and affirm that I will undertake the duties of the office of Councillor in the best interests of the people of the Camden Local Government Area and the Camden Council and that I will faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in me under the *Local Government Act 1993* or any other Act to the best of my ability and judgment”.

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SUBJECT: PRAYER

PRAYER

Almighty God, bless all who are engaged in the work of Local Government. Make us of one heart and mind, in thy service, and in the true welfare of the people we serve: We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Almighty God, give thy blessing to all our undertakings. Enlighten us to know what is right, and help us to do what is good: We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Almighty God, we pause to seek your help. Guide and direct our thinking. May your will be done in us, and through us, in the Local Government area we seek to serve: We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

AFFIRMATION

We affirm our hope and dedication to the good Government of Camden and the well being of all Camden's residents, no matter their race, gender or creed.

We affirm our hope for the sound decision making by Council which can improve the quality of life in Camden.

Either – “So help me God” or “I so affirm” (at the option of councillors)

We pledge ourselves, as elected members of Camden Council, to work for the provision of the best possible services and facilities for the enjoyment and welfare of the people of Camden.

Either – “So help me God” or “I so affirm” (at the option of councillors)

SUBJECT: ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to acknowledge that this meeting is being held on the Traditional Lands and Waterways of the Dharawal people and also recognise surrounding Dharug, and Gundungurra people and pay our respect to Elders past, present, and those emerging.

SUBJECT: WEBCASTING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

In accordance with Camden Council's Code of Meeting Practice and as permitted under the *Local Government Act 1993*, this meeting is being live streamed and recorded by Council staff for minute taking and webcasting purposes. The recording will also be made publicly available on Council's website.

No other webcasting or recording by a video camera, still camera or any other electronic device capable of webcasting or recording speech, moving images or still images is permitted without the prior approval of Council. Council has not authorised any other webcasting or recording of this meeting.

I remind those that are participating in this meeting that your image and what you say will be broadcast live to the public and will also be recorded so please be mindful of your actions and comments. You should avoid making statements that might defame or offend, or that release any personal information about another individual without their consent. Council accepts no liability for any damage that may result from your actions and comments.

Under Council's Code of Meeting Practice, individuals acting in a disorderly manner can be asked by the Chairperson to leave the meeting.

SUBJECT: LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Leaves of absence tendered on behalf of Councillors from this meeting.

RECOMMENDED

That leaves of absence be granted.

SUBJECT: APPROVAL TO ATTEND BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK

Requests by Councillors to attend and participate in Council meetings by audio-visual link.

A decision whether to approve a request must be made by a resolution of Council. A resolution must state:

- The meetings the resolution applies to, and
- The reason why the Councillor is being permitted to attend the meetings by audio-visual link (unless the ground is illness, disability, or caring responsibilities).

RECOMMENDED

That the requests to attend and participate by audio-visual link be granted for the meetings as determined by Council and for the reasons noted.

SUBJECT: DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Council's Code of Conduct also deals with pecuniary and non-pecuniary conflict of interest and Political Donations and how to manage these issues (Clauses 4.28-5.19).

Councillors, and where applicable, all other persons, must be familiar with the conflicts of interest provisions contained in the Code of Conduct.

This item of business provides an opportunity for Councillors to declare and manage any conflicts of interest that they may have in matters being considered at this meeting of Council.

RECOMMENDED

That the declarations be noted.

SUBJECT: PUBLIC ADDRESSES

The Public Address session in the Council Meeting provides an opportunity for people to speak publicly on any item on Council's Business Paper.

The Public Address session will be conducted in accordance with the Public Address Guidelines.

Where a member of the public raises a question during the Public Address session, a response will be provided where Councillors or staff have the necessary information at hand; if not, a reply will be provided at a later time. There is a limit of one question per speaker per meeting.

All speakers are limited to four minutes, with a one minute warning given to speakers prior to the four minute time period elapsing. The commencement and conclusion of time shall be advised by the Mayor/Chairperson.

It should be noted that speakers at Council meetings do not enjoy any protection from parliamentary-style privilege. Therefore they are subject to the risk of defamation action if they make comments about individuals. In the event that a speaker makes potentially offensive or defamatory remarks about any person, the Mayor/Chairperson will ask them to refrain from such comments.

The Mayor/Chairperson has the discretion to withdraw the privilege to speak where a speaker continues to make inappropriate or offensive comments about another person, or make a point of order ruling if a speaker breaches the Guidelines.

Only the audio recording of the public address speakers will be heard on Council's webcast. Visual images of the speaker will not be captured as part of that webcast.

RECOMMENDED

That the public addresses be noted.

SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Confirm and adopt Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 12 November 2024

RECOMMENDED

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 12 November 2024, copies of which have been circulated, be confirmed and adopted.

SUBJECT: MAYORAL MINUTE

Consideration of Mayoral Minute (if any).

ORD01**ORD01****SUBJECT: POST PUBLIC EXHIBITION - PONDICHERRY PRECINCT PLANNING PROPOSAL****FROM:** Director Planning and Environment**EDMS #:** 24/642422**PREVIOUS ITEMS:** ORD02 - Pondicherry Precinct Planning Proposal - Ordinary Council - 13 Dec 2022**PROPERTY ADDRESS**

600J, 650A, 650, 730A, 680A, 640, 772, 730, 680 The Northern Road, Oran Park; 86 and 95 Central Avenue, Oran Park, 430 Oran Park Drive, Oran Park; 15 Grassbird Avenue Oran Park

Lot 53 DP 1259061, Lots 9093,9096 DP 1267156, Lot 9098 DP 1274778, Lot 9107 DP 1289448, Lots 9110, 9111, 9112 DP 1298973, Lots 9103, 9106, 9102 DP 1279817, Lot 8001 DP 1257213, Lot 901 DP 1258129

PROPONENT

Greenfields Development Company No.2 Pty Ltd

OWNER

Leppington Pastoral Co Pty Ltd

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to inform Council on the outcome of the public exhibition of a draft Planning Proposal and Development Control Plan (DCP) for land at Bringelly and Oran Park, known as the Pondicherry Precinct (Pondicherry).

The report recommends Council endorse the Planning Proposal and DCP (including post-exhibition amendments) and request the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) finalise the Plan.

The Planning Proposal report and specialist technical studies updated since Gateway Determination are provided as **attachments** to this report.

Councillors were briefed on the draft Planning Proposal and results of the public exhibition on 26 November 2024.

BACKGROUND

On 13 December 2022, Council considered a report on the draft Planning Proposal and resolved to endorse the draft Planning Proposal and DCP to be forwarded to DPHI for Gateway Determination and, subject to a favourable Gateway Determination, to be placed on public exhibition.

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A favourable Gateway Determination was received from DPHI on 24 July 2023. The draft Planning Proposal and DCPs were publicly exhibited for 28 days from 9 April to 6 May 2024. Fifteen (15) state government agency and fourteen (14) community submissions were received (1 submission was withdrawn).

A number of post-exhibition amendments to the draft Planning Proposal and DCP are recommended in response to submissions, as discussed in this report.

Proposal Summary

The proposal seeks to rezone the Pondicherry Precinct from RU1 Primary Production under Camden Local Environmental Plan 2010 (Camden LEP 2010) to R2 Low Density Residential, R3 Medium Density Residential, B1 Neighbourhood Centre, RE1 Public Recreation, SP2 Infrastructure and C2 Environmental Conservation under the State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts – Western Parkland City) 2021 (Precincts SEPP).

The planning proposal is accompanied by amendments the Camden Growth Centre Precincts Development Control Plan (draft DCP), provided as an **attachment** to this report. The DCP amendments include an Indicative Layout Plan (ILP), site-specific figures and associated controls that inform and guide future development in the precinct. Amendments are also proposed to the Oran Park Precinct ILP and SEPP maps to address interface and integration issues between the two precincts.

Locality Context

Pondicherry is located in the South West Growth Area (SWGA) as shown in **Figure 1**. The SWGA consists of 17,000 hectares of greenfield land identified by the NSW Government for urban development. The SWGA is made up of 18 precincts across Camden, Campbelltown and Liverpool LGAs. Eleven (11) precincts are located in the Camden LGA and the rezoning of precincts in the SWGA occurs through a Planning Proposal to amend the Precincts SEPP.

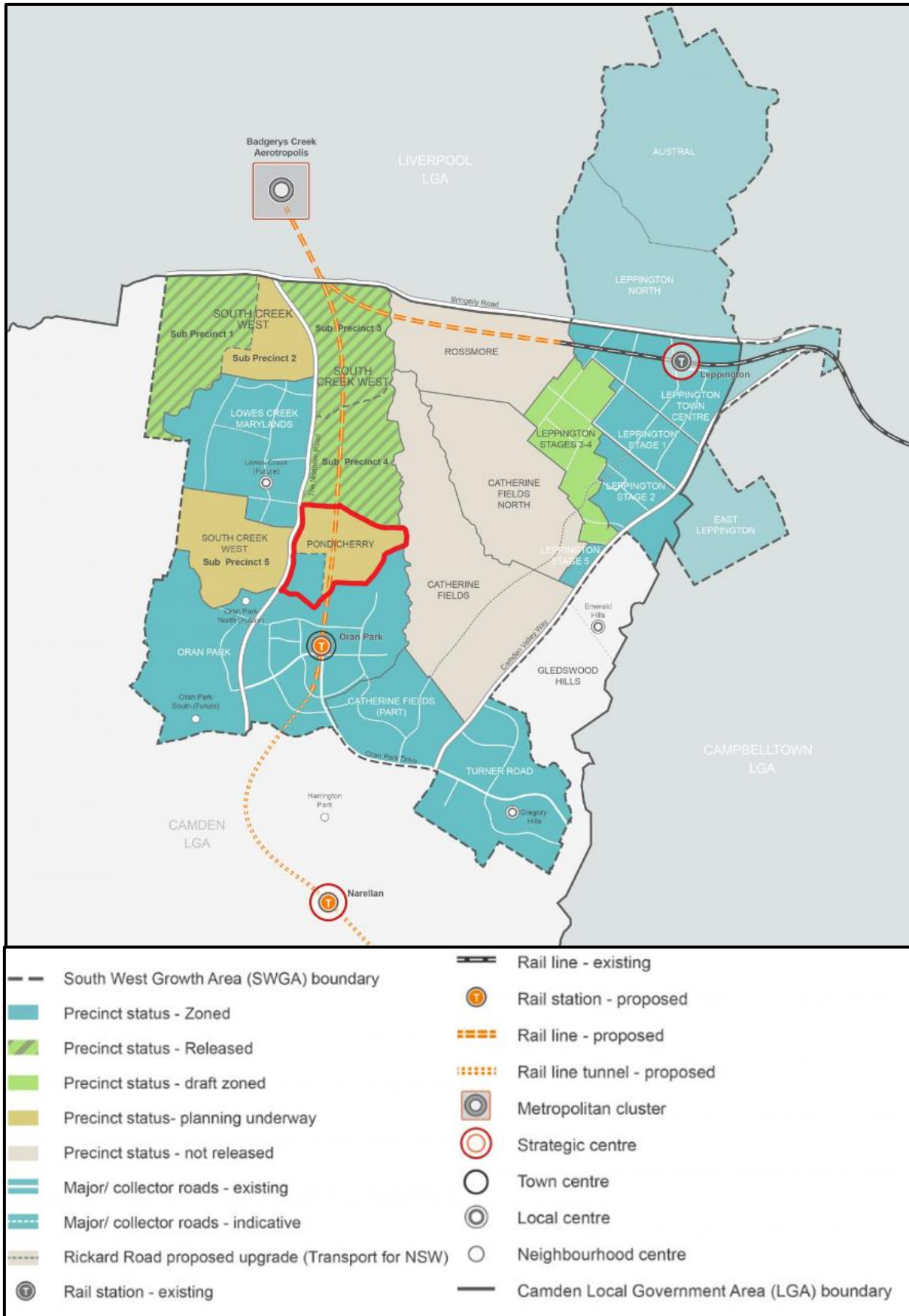


Figure 1: South West Growth Area Precinct Status

Site Context

Pondicherry encompasses approximately 242 hectares of rural land used primarily for dairy farming. ‘Pondicherry’ is the name of the farm which is subject to the Planning Proposal. Once developed, the area will form part of Oran Park. The site includes several post-war farmhouses and two large farm dams. A Transgrid overhead transmission line traverses the precinct and there are no public roads or social infrastructure within the site.

Pondicherry is bound by The Northern Road to the west, Wianamatta South Creek to the east and the Oran Park Precinct to the south as shown in **Figure 2**. Part of the Oran Park Precinct at the interface with the Pondicherry Precinct will be amended as part of this proposal. To the north, Pondicherry is bound by the undeveloped South Creek West Precinct 4, known as Greenway.

The future north south rail corridor (gazetted under the Transport and Infrastructure SEPP) traverses Pondicherry in a north-south alignment. It is anticipated that the future rail line will predominantly be in a cutting. It is planned that vehicle crossings and potential pedestrian bridge connections will be built above the future rail line to connect east and west Pondicherry.

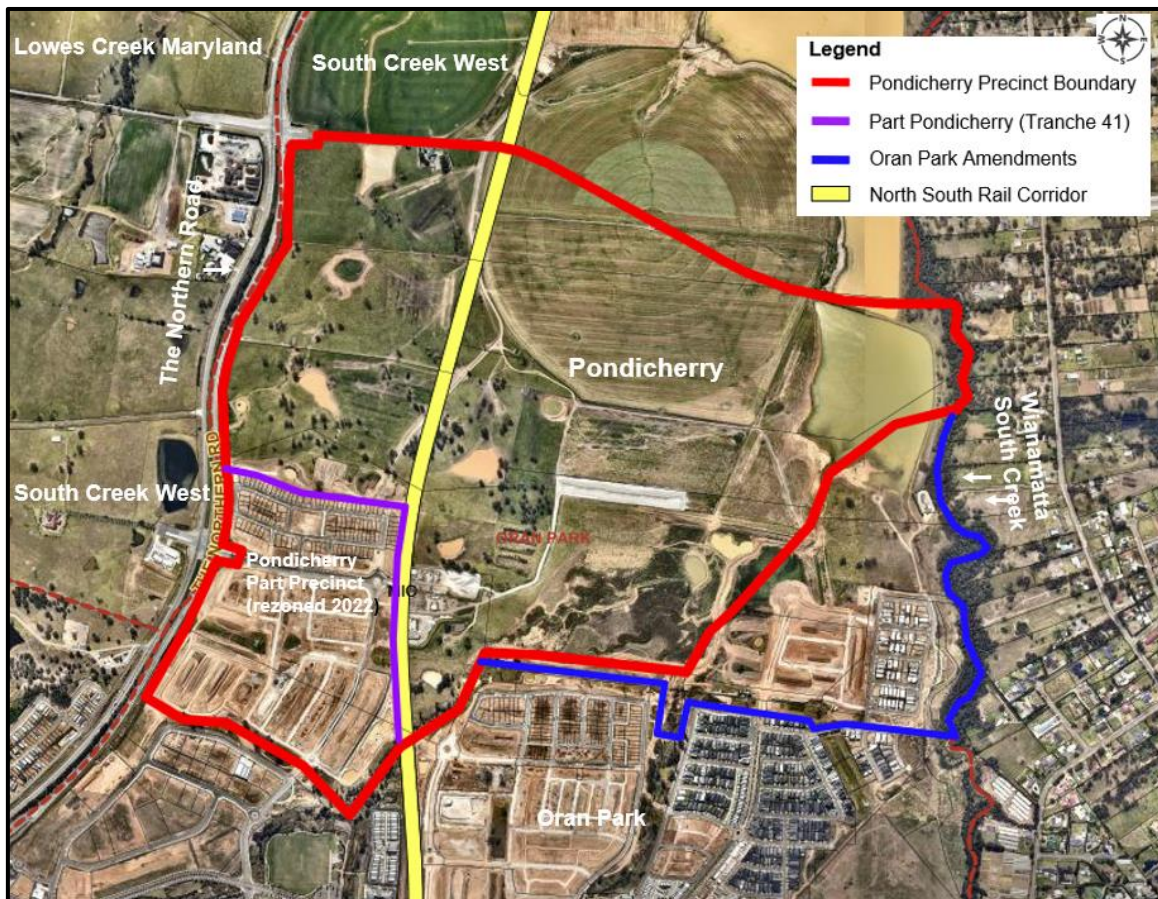


Figure 2: Pondicherry Site Context Map

Pondicherry Part Precinct (Tranche 41)

In July 2020, a Planning Proposal was submitted to Council for part of Pondicherry known as Tranche 41, shown in **Figure 2**. This precinct provides for up to 470 dwellings and an estimated population of 1,500 people. The proposal was finalised on 18 March 2022 and the DCP amendment took effect on 1 April 2022 (Schedule 7 of the Growth Centre Precincts DCP).

MAIN REPORT

Summary of Proposal

The proposal will deliver a new urban community comprising up to 2,850 dwellings (including Tranche 41) with an estimated population of between 7,840 and 8,830 people. Most of the housing will be low density dwellings, however there will be some medium density and apartment buildings adjacent to the open space and neighbourhood/community centres.

The proposal includes a lake, district sports facilities, a Kindergarten to Year 6 public school, Kindergarten to Year 12 private school, integrated neighbourhood/community centre, public open space, riparian corridors, pedestrian footpaths and cycleways. The proposal also seeks to rezone a portion of the land within the Oran Park Precinct where it interfaces with Pondicherry.

The following amendments to the Precincts SEPP are included in the proposal:

- Introduce B1 Neighbourhood Centre, C2 Environmental Conservation, R1 General Residential (Oran Park Precinct), R2 Low Density Residential, R3 Medium Density Residential, RE1 Public Recreation and SP2 Infrastructure zones; and
- Amend the land application, land zoning, lot size, residential density, height of buildings, development control, floor space ratio, heritage, land reservation acquisition, precinct boundary, special areas, native vegetation protection, biodiversity certified land and riparian protection area maps.

The Planning Proposal is accompanied by an amendment to the Camden Growth Centre Precincts Development Control Plan (DCP) to introduce a site-specific DCP schedule. This schedule includes figures and site-specific controls for Pondicherry.

Pondicherry Indicative Layout Plan

The draft Indicative Layout Plan (ILP) (**Figure 3**) will accommodate up to 2,850 dwellings with a diversity of dwelling types. Key features of the ILP include:

- Lake neighbourhood centre (5,000m², including 1,500m² in retail floor area) and western neighbourhood centre (1,000m² retail floor area);
- Public K-6 school;
- Private K-12 school;
- 11.6 hectares of passive open space and 11.6 hectares of active open space;
- 12 hectares of lake system and approximately 5.5 hectares of riparian corridors;
- Network of pedestrian and cycle paths to provide connections between open space, Oran Park, and active transport links along the Northern Road; and
- Sub-arterial roads currently known as Marylands Link Road No.1, Marylands Link Road No. 2 and an extension to Oran Park Drive and several collector roads.

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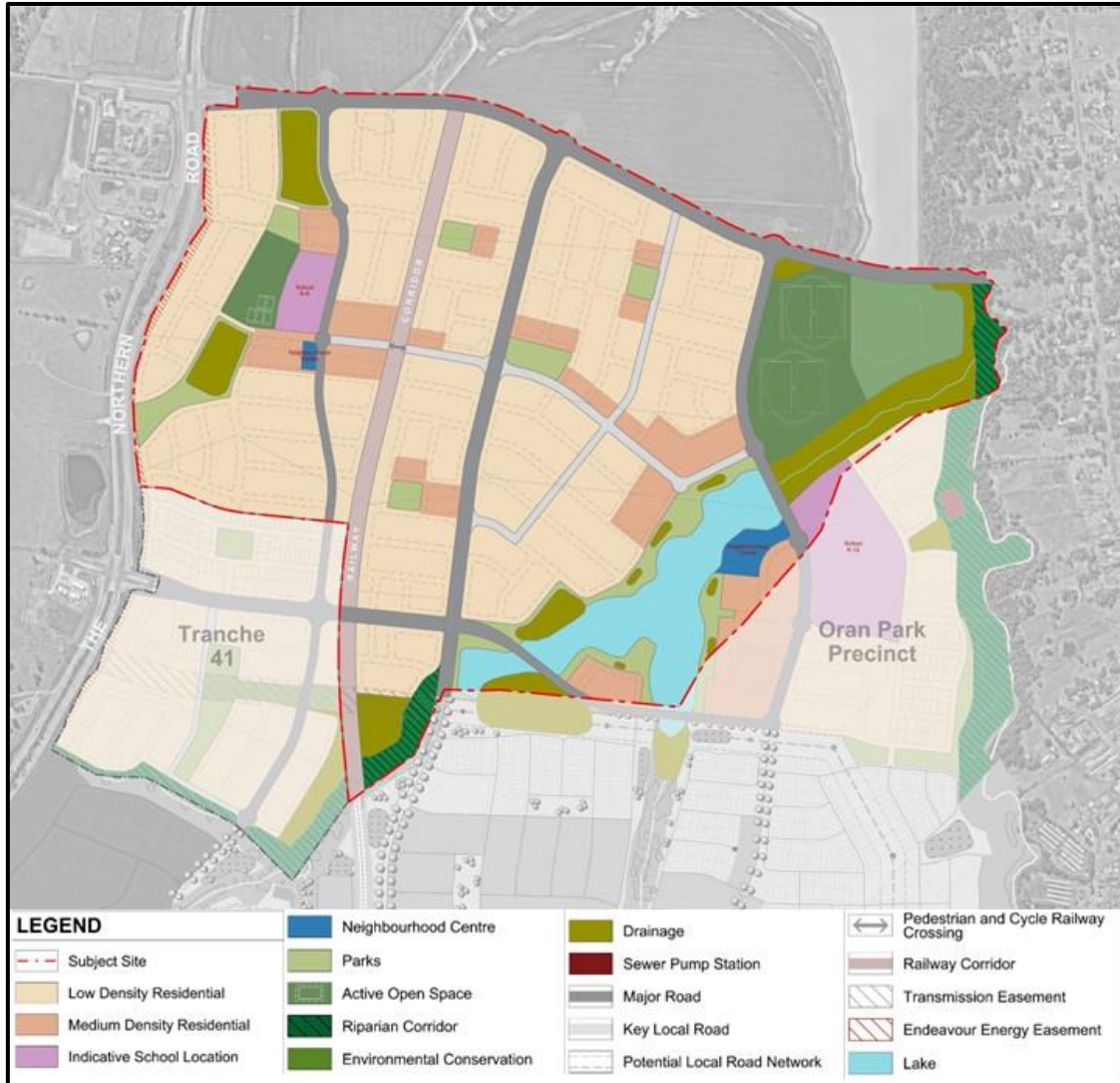


Figure 3: Pondicherry ILP

Oran Park Precinct Amendments

To facilitate integration with the draft Pondicherry ILP, the following amendments are proposed to the Oran Park ILP, shown in **Figure 4**. The proposed amendments to the Oran Park ILP, DCP and SEPP maps were publicly exhibited concurrently with the draft Pondicherry Planning Proposal package. No post-exhibition amendments are proposed to the draft Oran Park DCP and ILP.

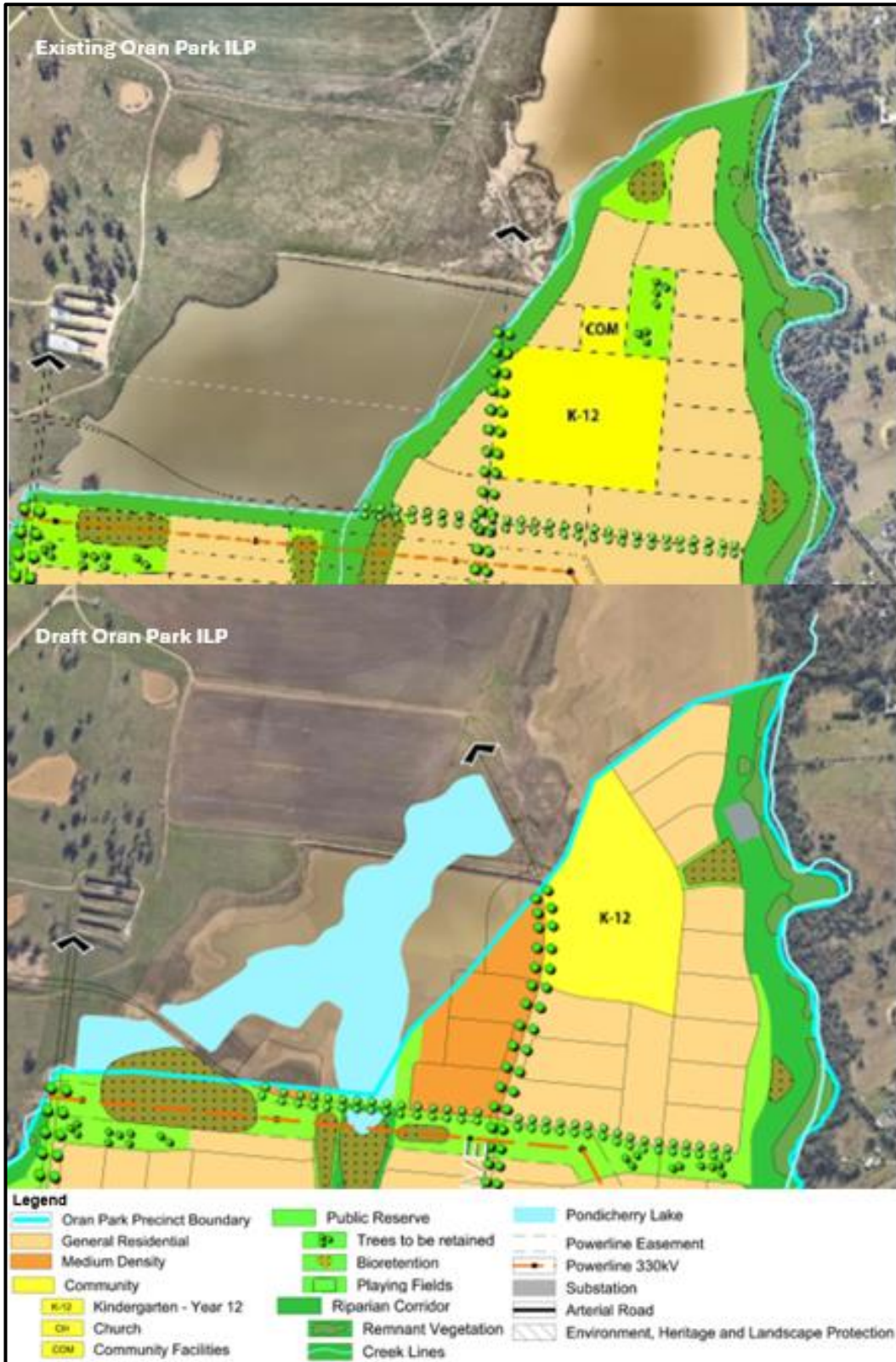


Figure 4: The existing Oran Park ILP (top) and the proposal Oran Park ILP (bottom) where it interfaces with Pondicherry.

Public Exhibition

The draft Planning Proposal and associated DCP amendments were publicly exhibited from 8 April to 6 May 2024. Adjacent landowners were notified by letter, the broader community were notified through social media posts and the proposal was made available by the Camden YourVoice website and hard copies at Council's libraries. Three (3) online briefing sessions were held for state government and public agencies to provide an overview of the proposal and topics specific to the agencies in attendance.

A total of 29 submissions were received on the proposal, fourteen (14) submissions from community members (1 was withdrawn) and fifteen (15) from state government and public agencies. A table outlining Council officer's consideration of the matters raised in the submissions is provided as an **attachment** to this report. The submissions are provided as a **confidential attachment**. The key issues raised in submissions are discussed below.

Submissions - Key Issues

Odour Impacts

The Planning Proposal package submitted to Council included an odour impact assessment and proposed DCP controls relating to odour.

During the public exhibition, Council received a submission raising odour impacts associated with an existing resource recovery facility operating in the area. The submission included an odour impact assessment which found there is the potential for odour impacts on the proposed residential land within the precinct. In response, the proponent prepared an updated odour impact assessment, adopting the odour sampling from the submitter's report, demonstrating different odour impacts.

In its submission, the NSW EPA also raised the need for Council to consider odour arising from existing land uses, and for odour assessments to be consistent with the EPA's policy framework for managing odour.

Officer Comment

In response to the submissions received, Council officers engaged an odour consultant to provide an independent peer review of the odour impacts assessments received from the proponent and the submitter. After considering the findings of the odour impact assessments, the independent peer review and discussions with NSW EPA officers, it is recommended that the DCP controls relating to odour be amended and strengthened.

It is recommended the DCP be amended to include controls that require any Development Application for residential subdivision in the Pondicherry precinct to be accompanied by a level 3 Odour Impact Assessment to verify the actual nuisance levels of odour generated by existing facilities. A level 3 odour assessment uses site-specific input data (as opposed to generic parameters (level 1) or worst-case input data (level 2)) and is the most comprehensive and realistic level of assessment.

In summary, the recommended DCP controls mean that residential subdivision cannot be approved unless the DA can demonstrate compliance with the EPA odour criteria of 2 odour units, or the odour emitting business has modified or ceased its operations.

Pondicherry Lake, Riparian Corridors and Biodiversity

In its submission, the NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) (Water and Licensing), previously known as the Natural Resources Access Regulator (NRAR), raised that the proposed mapping and connectivity of riparian corridors through the proposed lake is not consistent with the Controlled Activities Guidelines for Riparian Corridors on Waterfront Land. DCCEEW (Water and Licensing) identified that the proposal should allow for a consistent riparian corridor width around the lake to maintain riparian connectivity, values and function. It also requested the watercourse and lake be zoned for environmental conservation.

DCCEEW (Biodiversity, Conservation and Science (BCS) Group) made the following recommendations regarding biodiversity:

- The Biodiversity Assessment and Biodiversity Consistency Report should be updated to be consistent with the Planning Proposal;
- Additional information be provided to demonstrate consistency with the certification order; and
- Opportunities to retain Additional High Conservation Value Vegetation (AHCVV) within the proposed parks located in the certified area be explored through adjustments to the ILP.

Officer Comment

In response to these submissions, the proponent amended the proposed zoning for the lake system from SP2 Infrastructure to C2 Environmental Conservation. The footprint of proposed C2 Environmental Conservation zoning applying to the lake and the north-eastern drainage corridor joining the lake to the confluence with Wianamatta South Creek has been amended to reflect further consideration of the Controlled Activities Guidelines for Riparian Corridors on Waterfront Land. This amendment is shown in **Figure 5**. It is noted that minor amendments to other SEPP maps have been made to reflect this amendment.

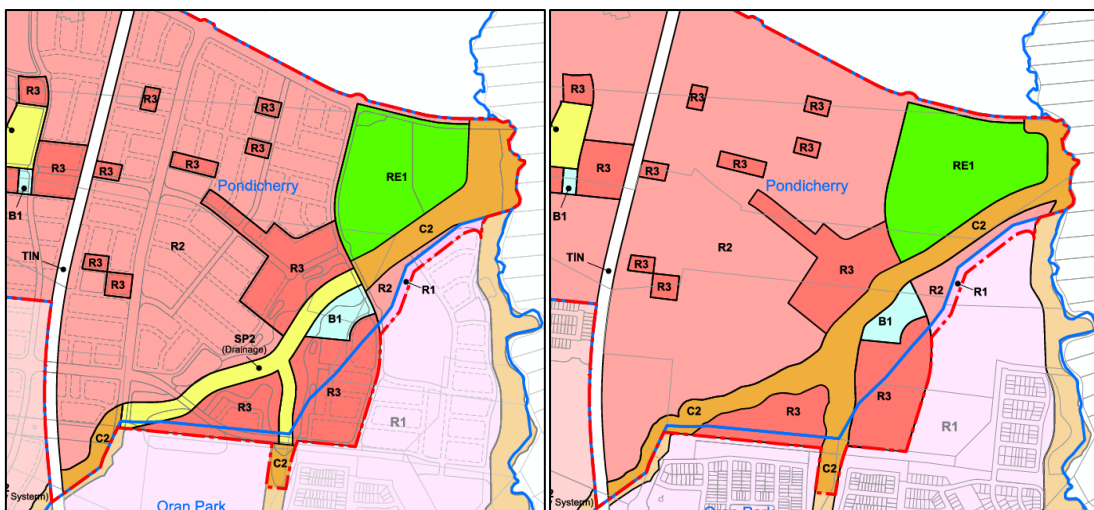


Figure 5: Changes to zoning of lake system – exhibition (left), post-exhibition (right)

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The lake forms part of the water cycle management strategy for Pondicherry and Oran Park. It will replace the existing farm dams in Pondicherry to perform a combined stormwater detention and catchment management function. This ensures the stormwater management strategy adopted for Oran Park is achieved.

The NRAR gave in-principle support for the lake to be an online wet-basin in 2020, provided it resulted in no more than minimal harm to waterfront land and is designed to protect, enhance and restore water sources, their associated ecosystems, ecological processes and biological diversity and their water quality.

At the time, the draft Planning Proposal was being assessed by the Department of Planning and Environment (now Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI)) under the former Precinct Acceleration Protocol (PAP). This in-principle support was based on NRAR's review of the Pondicherry Lake Precinct Water Management Act Assessment (April 2020). This Assessment acknowledged the lake system does not conform with the guidelines for riparian corridors on waterfront land and provided a merit assessment against the requirements of the *Water Management Act 2000*.

The lake is proposed to be integrated into the urban environment, providing an open space network which encourages walking, cycling and passive open space recreation. The lake and its surrounding open space network are funded and will be delivered by a Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) which was endorsed by Council on 11 June 2024. Replacing the open space with vegetated riparian corridors strictly in accordance with the Controlled Activities Guidelines would impact the open space deliverables for the future community.

To address riparian connectivity, Council officers recommend additional controls be included in the DCP. The controls require further detail demonstrating riparian style embellishment around the lake to be submitted at the Development Application stage through a Pondicherry Lake Design Strategy and Vegetation Management Plan alongside detailed landscaped plans. The objective of the controls is to achieve a development outcome which balances the stormwater, open space and biodiversity/riparian functions of the lake system.

Flooding and Evacuation

The NSW State Emergency Service (SES) provided a submission and made recommendations regarding the following:

- Consider the location of proposed community centre and medium density housing areas;
- Consider managing the risks to visitors and users of the proposed parks, active open space and environmental conservation areas which may be subject to flooding during a PMF event, for example by way of signage; and
- Seek advice from DCCEEW regarding the impact of the proposed development on flood behaviour and adjacent areas.

Officer Comment

The DCCEEW were consulted on the proposal during public exhibition. The DCCEEW BCS noted in its submission that the flood assessment is fit for purpose for the planning proposal stage.

A detailed review of water quantity and water quality impacts have been undertaken against Council's Upper South Creek Regional Flood Modelling framework, and it found the flood impact assessment and modelling submitted with the Planning Proposal is sufficient for the planning proposal stage. Further information and assessment regarding the exact location of buildings and managing the risks to visitors will be required with future Development Applications.

No post-exhibition amendments are recommended in response to this submission.

Schools

The Planning Proposal and ILP (**Figure 3**) include a 2 hectares public primary school site and a K-12 private school site. The school provision is based on the Social Infrastructure Assessment submitted with the Planning Proposal, which assessed the demand for schools and educational facilities based on the NSW Department of Education guidelines.

Council received five (5) community submissions raising concern regarding the capacity of existing schools in the area to accommodate growth and the provision of schools within the Pondicherry Precinct. These submissions noted that the needs assessment undertaken for school and child care facilities did not represent the growth in demand for public primary and high schools within Oran Park and surrounding suburbs. Several submissions also identified that an additional high school may be required in Pondicherry to meet demand.

A submission was received from the NSW Department of Education – Schools Infrastructure (SINSW). In summary, the SINSW submission:

- Confirmed that the Planning Proposal generates the demand for one (1) public primary school within the Precinct;
- Identified that SINSW will continue to investigate future opportunities within the area to accommodate growth in secondary school demands;
- Requested amendments to the social infrastructure assessment report to update the population data to reflect 2021 census data;
- Outlined that the proposed school site is consistent with its School Site Development and Selection Guidelines 2023; and
- Provided written confirmation to accept the role of acquisition authority for the proposed public primary school site.

Officer Comment

In response to community and State agency submissions received regarding school provision and demand, additional information was provided by the proponent. This included an updated demand assessment which considered school provision against 2021 census population data.

The updated assessment outlines that the proposed school-aged population of the precinct generates demand for 1.1 primary schools and 0.4 secondary schools. Based on school enrolment patterns in Oran Park, public school enrolments are expected to be 71% of the primary and 57% of the secondary school-aged population. The assessment concluded that the current Proposal which includes both a public primary school and K-12 private school is aligned with the projected educational needs.

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Based on this, the provision of one (1) public primary school satisfies the SINSW's guidelines.

SINSW have acknowledged the growing demand for secondary schools in the area and is investigating opportunities for additional school sites. In the short term, SINSW noted in its submission, the demand for secondary schools can be accommodated in existing secondary school sites.

Consistent with other precincts, Council will continue to advocate to the State Government for the early delivery of schools and a review of the minimum site area requirements for schools in growth areas.

Heritage

European Heritage

Heritage NSW raised the proximity of Pondicherry to the state heritage listed 'Maryland' precinct and the potential impacts on settings and views. Heritage NSW recommended measures be considered to minimise impacts, and requested the technical reports be updated to include measures and recommendations in specific regard to archaeology across the site.

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage

Heritage NSW requested the Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System (AHIMS) search be updated as it was completed more than 12 months prior to public exhibition and noted that documents provided during public exhibition did not include documentation demonstrating consultation with Aboriginal parties.

Officer Comment

'Maryland' is located within the Lowes Creek Maryland Precinct, which has been rezoned for urban development. The Heritage Assessment undertaken for the Lowes Creek Maryland Precinct identified key view lines including those to the Birling 1812 and 1937 homesteads and key features of the Maryland heritage cluster. These key view lines were protected through the design of the Lowes Creek Maryland Indicative Layout Plan. The development of Pondicherry will have minimal additional impact on the setting and views of Maryland.

The proponent has provided the following additional information in response to Heritage NSW's submission:

- An updated AHIMS search;
- A report which outlines how the Pondicherry ILP responds to the Connecting with Country Framework;
- Additional controls in section 2.8 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage of the DCP.

The updated AHIMS search results found no additional Aboriginal heritage impacts in comparison to the previous AHIMS search results. The AHIMS sites registered within the Pondicherry Precinct have been considered in the Aboriginal Heritage Assessment.

The proposed DCP figures highlight areas within the ILP that hold the greatest potential for conserving and interpreting Aboriginal heritage values. Proposed DCP controls intend to promote the integration of Connecting with Country principles within future development. The objectives of these controls are:

- a. To facilitate the conservation of Aboriginal heritage items and areas of cultural value.
- b. To integrate Aboriginal cultural values into the urban setting, ensuring development is designed to connect to and care for Country.
- c. To recognise Aboriginal culture and heritage through the realisation of stories through art, architecture, and landscaping; and
- d. To engage with registered Aboriginal stakeholders in the design, planning and delivery of Pondicherry.

Summary of Recommended Post Exhibition Amendments

In response to submissions, additional information has been provided by the proponent and amendments are proposed to the zoning map and draft DCP. The amendments have been incorporated into the Planning Proposal documentation **attached** to this report. These amendments are summarised below:

- Amend the proposed zoning of the Lake System from SP2 Infrastructure to C2 Environmental Conservation and make subsequent amendments to impacted SEPP maps to reflect this change.
- Insert additional controls into the following sections of the draft Pondicherry DCP:
 - 2.8 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage
 - 2.9 Odour; and
 - 2.10 Biodiversity and Riparian Corridors.

These changes are consistent with the intent of the exhibited proposal and the DCP amendment and do not require re-exhibiting.

Voluntary Planning Agreement

On 11 June 2024, Council authorised the execution of a VPA for Pondicherry. The total value of the draft VPA is \$205,658,058.91. Under the VPA, the proponent will deliver:

- Local parks (active and passive) land dedication and works;
- Community centre land dedication and facility;
- Road works, bridge works, shared paths and land dedication;
- Riparian corridor land dedication, works and embellishment; and
- Stormwater drainage works and land dedication, including Pondicherry Lake.

The resolution of agency submissions, notably the provision of greater riparian connectivity around the lake in response to DCCEEW's submission may have implications for the executed VPA. As required by the proposed DCP controls, the proponent will provide detailed information at the DA stage and the implications for the VPA will be considered at that stage.

Next Steps

Subject to Council endorsement, the Planning Proposal will be forwarded to DPHI for review and finalisation. Council may need to make minor amendments to finalise the DCP amendments, which will require approval from the General Manager. Upon finalisation, the DCP will be publicly notified.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

CONCLUSION

The Planning Proposal seeks to rezone Pondicherry to facilitate a new urban precinct comprising up to 2,850 dwellings (including Tranche 41) and an estimated population of between 7,840 and 8,830 people. It will include a lake, district sized sports facility, public kindergarten to Year 6 and private kindergarten to Year 12 school, integrated neighbourhood and community centre, public open space, riparian corridors, pedestrian footpaths and cycleways. The proposal also seeks to rezone a portion of the land within Oran Park Precinct where it interfaces with Pondicherry.

The draft Planning Proposal and draft DCP were exhibited between 9 April and 6 May 2024. Fourteen (14) submissions were received from community members (1 withdrawn) and fifteen (15) submissions were received from public agencies.

The submissions have been considered and in response, some amendments to the Planning Proposal and DCP are recommended. The changes are consistent with the intent of the exhibited Planning Proposal and DCP and do not require re-exhibiting.

It is recommended that Council endorse the Planning Proposal for submission to DPHI for finalisation.

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. **endorse the Planning Proposal (as amended) and forward it to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure for the plan to be made;**
- ii. **adopt the proposed post-exhibition changes to the Camden Growth Centre Precincts Development Control Plan (DCP) in accordance with the Instrument of Delegation (as amended) issued to Council on 19 January 2015 from the (then) Secretary of the Department of Planning and Environment;**
- iii. **adopt the proposed post-exhibition changes to the Oran Park Development Control Plan (DCP) in accordance with the Instrument of Delegation (as amended) issued to Council on 19 January 2015 from the (then) Secretary of the Department of Planning and Environment;**
- iv. **grant delegation to the General Manager to finalise and adopt the proposed amendments to Camden Growth Centre Precincts DCP and Oran Park DCP subject to minor amendments;**

- v. **subject to the finalisation of the Planning Proposal, publicly notify the adoption of the DCPs in accordance with the provisions of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* and the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021*; and**
- vi. **notify submitters and State agencies of Council's decision.**

ATTACHMENTS

1. Pondicherry Precinct Planning Proposal - Draft Planning Proposal Report for Finalisation - November 2024
2. Pondicherry Proposed Western Parkland City SEPP Maps
3. Draft Post Exhibition Pondicherry Precinct DCP - Clean Version
4. Draft Post Exhibition Pondicherry Precinct DCP - Tracked Changes
5. Draft Oran Park DCP - Tracked Changes
6. Post-Exhibition Report - Agency Submissions Table
7. Post Exhibition Council Report Community Submissions Response Table - November 2024
8. Pondicherry Precinct Planning Proposal - Summary of Post Exhibition Amendments Table
9. Draft Pondicherry Planning Proposal - Assessment Against Conditions of Gateway Determination
10. Assessment Against Key Strategic Documents
11. Consistency Against SEPPs and Ministerial Directions
12. Combined State Agency Submissions
13. Combined Community Submissions - *CONFIDENTIAL*
14. Wet Basin Response - NRAR - June 2020
15. SINSW - GDC Response to Submission - November 2024
16. Heritage NSW - GDC Response - Connecting with Country Review
17. Pondicherry Precinct - Flooding and Water Cycle Management
18. GDC Response to NRAR Submission Part A - Lake Biodiversity Corridor Document
19. GDC Response to NRAR Submission Part B - A. Pondicherry Lake Riparian Strategy - August 2024

ORD02

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SUBJECT: PRE-PUBLIC EXHIBITION - DRAFT PROJECT NARELLAN VISION AND ACTION PLAN

FROM: Director Planning and Environment

EDMS #: 24/603482

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider the draft 'Project Narellan - Vision and Action Plan' (draft Plan), and to seek Council's endorsement to place the draft Plan on public exhibition for an extended period between December 2024 and February 2025.

BACKGROUND

'Project Narellan' is designed to recognise and strengthen Narellan's role as a strategic centre. To date, Council officers have undertaken a preliminary analysis of Narellan, engaged with the community and stakeholders and secured grant funding for local improvements through the Western Sydney Infrastructure Grants Program (formerly known as WestInvest).

The draft Plan seeks to guide future development and attract investment by outlining commitments from Council across three programs. It is informed by the Project Narellan Engagement Report which summarises the community and stakeholder feedback received to date. Both documents are included as **attachments** to this report.

Councillors were briefed on this matter on 26 November 2024.

MAIN REPORT

Strategic Planning Framework

The Greater Sydney Region Plan (Region Plan), Western City District Plan (District Plan) and Camden Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS) have common objectives geared towards improving the liveability and productivity of strategic centres by attracting investment, increasing business activity and promoting job growth.

In 2018, the NSW Government outlined a 40-year vision to transform Greater Sydney into a metropolis of three cities in the Region Plan. To rebalance access to jobs, education, health facilities, and services, the three cities will be supported by metropolitan centres and strategic centres that can be accessed by public transport within 30 minutes.

In the District Plan, the NSW Government identified Narellan as one of six strategic centres in the Western Parkland City, along with Leppington, Fairfield, St Marys, Katoomba, and Richmond-Windsor. Employment growth is the principal economic goal of the strategic centres, and the District Plan established jobs targets for each.

Strategic centres are also expected to accommodate high levels of private sector investment, provide a diverse mix of land uses, high levels of public transport connections and walkability, and provide areas for commercial activity and jobs.

The District Plan requires Council, other planning authorities and State agencies to:

- (a) Investigate the capacity of key infrastructure to support additional growth;
- (b) Undertake an Urban Design Review for the Strategic Centre and review planning controls; and
- (c) Review the vision for the Narellan Strategic Centre.

In response, Council’s LSPS includes actions to strengthen Narellan’s transformation, including:

- To review the public domain controls for the Narellan Town Centre (**Action 52**).
- To prepare a vision for Narellan, which considers Narellan’s role as a Strategic Centre (**Action 68**).
- To investigate a staged approach to the master planning of the Narellan Town Centre, with the staging dependent upon the confirmation of timing for the delivery of rail (**Action 69**).

Similar commitments are included in Council’s Local Housing Strategy (2021) and Centres and Employment Land Strategy (2022).

To deliver on these commitments, Council commenced work on the Narellan Strategic Centre Review Project – branded ‘Project Narellan’ – analysing Narellan as a strategic centre (as shown in **Figure 1**), engaging with the community and stakeholders, and attracting grant funding for local improvements.



Figure 1: Narellan Strategic Centre

Project Narellan Engagement Report

Council officers have undertaken various engagement activities with the community and local stakeholders. The Project Narellan Engagement Report summarises these activities and the key themes and issues raised.

Community engagement was carried out in three stages:

- Opportunities and Constraints engagement - Explored actions and guiding principles to inform the placemaking principles and urban renewal opportunities identified in the Opportunities and Constraints Analysis.
- Preliminary community and stakeholder engagement - Involved engagement with the wider community, including school children, to hear their expectations for the future of Narellan and gather public input for a new, shared vision.
- Vision and Action Plan engagement - Included targeted engagement activities around the draft vision and actions with Council staff, public agency staff, businesses, and local identities.

The key issues heard through the engagement include:

- Traffic congestion;
- Public transport and connectivity;
- Accessibility;
- Green and open spaces;
- Key attractions and activation;
- Commerce and employment;
- Community facilities;
- Public domain and place identity;
- Housing density and development; and
- Environmental sustainability.

Draft Project Narellan Vision and Action Plan

Drawing on the outcomes of the engagement activities, the purpose of the draft Plan is to encourage collaboration between stakeholders, attract investment in Narellan, generate excitement about Narellan's future as a strategic centre, and identify funding and advocacy opportunities.

Draft vision

The draft vision for the Narellan Strategic Centre is:

Narellan is a connected, thriving centre that balances Camden's character with the vibrance of a modern urban environment. Narellan offers rich cultural experiences while fostering economic prosperity and embracing future growth challenges.

The draft vision is supported by four pillars (refer to **Figure 2**): connected, cultured, thriving and resilient.



Figure 2: Pillars to support the vision

Each pillar has five priorities which outline our goals for Narellan. The priorities (refer to **Figure 3**) have been designed to inform future decisions as well as the development of specific actions within the draft Plan.

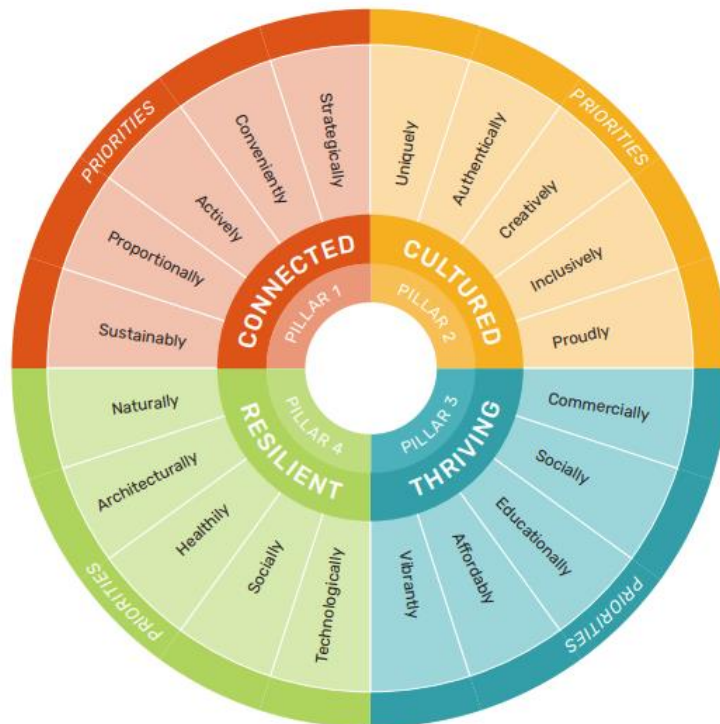


Figure 3: Priorities to support pillars

Draft actions

With Narellan’s full potential as a strategic centre dependent on a commitment for rail, actions have been categorised into three broad programs:

- Improve Narellan’s public spaces – Smaller local interventions that can be actioned by Council in the short term to support Narellan as a strategic centre. This program aims to:
 - Strengthen Narellan’s Civic Heart: to establish a focal space in Narellan where people can come together.

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- Renew Narellan's High Streets: to draw more people to Narellan and increase activity in the centre.
- Foster active transport links: to focus on improving the safety and accessibility of active transport options within Narellan.

Prepare for transformational projects – These actions involve infrastructure projects that require significant investment and coordination including:

- Delivery of the Narellan Rail Station (delivery of the North South Rail Line).
- Extension of the Camden Bypass (connection to Camden Valley Way).
- Delivery of the Spring Farm Parkway - Stage 2 (alternative east-west route to Narellan Road).

These projects are catalytic and will redefine Narellan's role as a strategic centre. They are dependent on investment and decisions by other levels of Government, however Council has a key role through engagement, advocacy, coordination and preparation.

- Develop a place strategy – This program details the rationale for various technical studies required to inform a future Structure Plan.

The Structure Plan will form part of a Place Strategy intended to guide Narellan's future growth. It will focus on sustainability, connectivity and a vibrant, community orientated Town Centre.

For this work to be undertaken and for Narellan to reach its full potential, a commitment to the funding and delivery of rail is required. In this respect, Council will continue to advocate to the State and Federal Government for a commitment to the North South Rail line.

Next Steps

Subject to Council endorsement, the draft Plan will be placed on public exhibition for an extended period, due to the end of year period. The public exhibition will include the following communication and engagement methods:

- Notification letters to residents
- Pop up stalls
- YourVoice Camden project page
- Social media release
- Displays at Narellan Library
- Notification to engagement participants.

Relevant State agencies will be invited to make a submission on the draft Plan.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Some of the actions in the draft Plan have budgets allocated and/or are funded in the Delivery Program. However, other actions do not currently have committed budgets. In this regard, additional funding will be explored through external grant opportunities and/or the preparation of a business case for Council's consideration as part of future Council budget cycles.

Further funding will be collected by local infrastructure contributions in the form of Section 7.12 levies under Council's Section 7.12 Development Contributions Plan, or Section 7.11 contributions under a new plan that is specific to Narellan.

CONCLUSION

The draft Plan is part of a program of work undertaken to recognise and strengthen Narellan's role as a strategic centre. The draft Plan is informed by community and stakeholder feedback, and includes a draft vision and actions required to deliver the vision.

It is recommended that the draft Plan be placed on public exhibition to seek community and stakeholder feedback.

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. endorse the draft Project Narellan Vision and Action Plan to be placed on public exhibition; and**
- ii. receive a further report outlining the outcomes of the public exhibition period.**

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft Vision and Action Plan - Council Amendments
2. Engagement Report - Vision and Action Plan - Final Draft Document - Council Amendments

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY GRANTS 2024/2025
FROM: Director Sport, Community and Activation
EDMS #: 24/631931

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's endorsement of the recommended allocations for the Community Grants and Community Sponsorship Programs.

BACKGROUND

Council provides an annual financial assistance program to assist incorporated associations, not-for-profit groups, sporting groups, businesses and individuals located in or servicing the Camden Local Government Area (LGA).

Categories for the 2024/2025 round included Community Grants and Community Sponsorship Programs.

Applications were assessed using set guidelines and criteria within the Community Financial Assistance Policy to ensure equity, probity and consistency in evaluating requests.

Councillors were briefed on this matter on 27 November 2024.

MAIN REPORT

Council's Community Grants and Sponsorship Program has been developed to provide assistance to community groups and organisations to deliver projects and events that address gaps in service delivery, create innovation and activation, and demonstrate wider community benefit.

The grants program was promoted widely through direct mail, social media, Council's website and community service providers. The eligibility criteria were published on Council's website and grants platform, and information sessions were also held via Zoom and in-person.

A table outlining all applications received and Council officer recommendations is provided as an **attachment** to this report.

Community Grants Program 2024/2025

The Community Grants Program consisted of six categories: Community Wellbeing, Art and Culture, Social Inclusion, Environment and Sustainability, Sport and Recreation, and Minor Works. Incorporated associations, charities and not-for-profit organisations could apply for a total of up to \$6,500 (excl. GST). A total of 45 applications were received to a total value of \$249,740 (excl. GST).

Each application was assessed against the program guidelines and criteria with consideration given to:

- Community benefit;
- The timeline of project delivery;
- The contribution of the organisation towards the project or program; and
- Consideration of community needs and service gaps.

The assessment panel has recommended 24 applications for funding under the Community Small Grants Program as outlined below:

No.	Name of applicant	Project Name	Amount recommended
1.	Mother Hubbard's Cupboard in Camden Inc	A Hidden Gem	\$5,800
2.	Turning Point Camden Inc.	Budget Booster Program	\$6,500
3.	Big Yellow Umbrella Incorporated	Crisis Support at BYU	\$6,500
4.	Shining Stars Foundation	Food Hamper Drive	\$4,000
5.	Rapid Relief Team (RRT) Ltd	Camden Comfort Kits	\$6,000
6.	BaptistCare NSW and ACT	BaptistCare Narellan - Cooking for Good Program	\$4,600
7.	Camden Musical Society Inc.	Youth Week Musical Theatre 3-day Workshop	\$6,500
8.	Blue Wren House Camden Women's Shelter Pty Ltd	Cultural Inclusivity at Blue Wren House for domestic and family violence victims	\$4,226
9.	Cancer Patients Foundation	Look Good Feel Better	\$875
10.	Camden Men's Shed Incorporated	Audio Visual equipment fit out	\$2,620
11.	Talk2mebro	Camden Community Catchups	\$6,500
12.	Manooka Valley Community Preschool	Community Connections with the Elderly	\$3,250
13.	Camden Meals on Wheels Inc	Chair Yoga for Seniors	\$1,700
14.	Camden Combined Probus Inc.	Building well-being in our community	\$1,500

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No.	Name of applicant	Project Name	Amount recommended
15.	Gregory Hills FC Inc.	Coach Education	\$6,500
16.	Leppington Lions Soccer Club	2025 Season Lions Growth	\$3,100
17.	Narellan Jets Rugby League Football Club	Indigenous Football Round	\$6,500
18.	Camden Toastmasters	The Voices of Camden: Empowering Voices and Expanding Leadership with Toastmasters	\$1,500
19.	Spirit of Camden Inc.	Spirit of Camden Networking Events - Village Gathering	\$1,800
20.	Australian Pacific and Māori Community Services Inc.	Mental Health First Aid Training	\$3,000
21.	Hamro Club Inc.	Hamro Xmas New Year and Australia Day Soccer Tournament	\$2,000
22.	Shanhe Education Inc.	Multicultural Women Support Group	\$2,500
23.	Atlantis Swimming Club Inc.	SwimStrong Program	\$3,760
24.	Camden Men's Bowling Club	Junior Support	\$1,850
Total value of projects recommended for funding (excl. GST)			\$93,081

Community Sponsorship

The Community Sponsorship Program received a total of 14 applications requesting monetary support to a total value of \$294,282 (excl. GST).

Each application was assessed against the program guidelines and criteria with consideration given to:

- Not-for-profit groups, organisations or individuals seeking to organise an event/activity/service within the Camden LGA that has benefit to the wider community;

- Festivals, special events and activities that will enhance and promote community wellbeing, the lifestyle of residents and provide a service to the resident or business community of the Camden LGA; and
- Organisations that encourage economic and/or tourism opportunities within the Camden LGA.

The assessment panel has recommended 11 applications for funding under the Community Sponsorship Program:

No.	Name of applicant	Event Name	Amount recommended
1.	The Camden Show Society Inc.	Camden Show 2025	\$9,000 Monetary \$12,500 In-Kind
2.	AusCycling	2025 AusCycling BMX Racing National Championships and Pump Track National Championships	\$20,000 Monetary \$2,000 In-Kind
3.	St Paul's Catholic Primary School	St Paul's Annual School Fete	\$1,500 In-Kind
4.	Mother's Day Classic	Camden Mother's Day Classic Walk	\$5,000 Monetary \$304 In-Kind
5.	Camden Netball Association	Senior State Titles	\$3,000 Monetary \$2,200 In-Kind
6.	MWLP Linking Youth	VETsteddFOOD	\$3,500 Monetary
7.	Eventing Equestriad Australia	Equestriad Event	\$6,250 Monetary
8.	Southwest Telugu Association Incorporated	UGADI Cultural Event	\$5,000 Monetary
9.	Gregory Hills FC Inc	Women In Football	\$6,500 Monetary
10.	Hamro Club Inc.	Hamro Nepalese New Year	\$2,500 Monetary
11.	Autism Spectrum Australia (Aspect)	Aspect Macarthur School Walk for Autism Colour Run	\$1,976 Monetary
Total value of projects recommended for funding (excl. GST)			\$81,230

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are sufficient funds allocated in the 2024/25 Budget for the Community Grants Program, which totals \$93,081.

There are sufficient funds allocated in the 2024/25 Budget for the Community Sponsorship Program, which totals \$81,230.

CONCLUSION

A total of 59 applications have been received across the two grant categories. The recommendations as outlined in this report are proposing a total of 35 applications, valued at \$174,311 (excl. GST), to be supported.

The applications include a variety of programs, projects and events that will benefit the wider Camden community, and provide assistance to a range of community organisations, sporting and cultural groups.

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. approve the recommended allocation of funding for the Community Grants Program of \$93,081 (excl. GST);**
- ii. approve the recommended allocation of funding for the Community Sponsorship Program of \$81,230 (excl. GST); and**
- iii. write to each applicant advising them of the outcome of this report and thanking them for their participation in the program.**

ATTACHMENTS

1. Community Grants and Sponsorship Program 2024/25 - Summary of Recommendations

ORD04

ORD04

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING - NSW FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
FROM: Director Growth and Finance
EDMS #: 24/668092

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's acceptance of grant funding under the 2024-25 NSW Floodplain Management Program for updating the Upper South Creek Flood Study. The grant is provided by the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (Grant Number: 2024/FMP/0095).

BACKGROUND

The awarded grant supports updating the Upper South Creek Flood Study to enhance flood risk management and align with the NSW State Emergency Service's requirements. The study will provide valuable data for planning, emergency response and flood risk mitigation. Council applied for this grant to address current flood risk in the catchment, particularly under increased urban development and climate change.

MAIN REPORT

Updating the Upper South Creek Flood Study aims to address flood management needs within the catchment area. This project includes a comprehensive study of flood behaviour in the upper South Creek Catchment in coordination with the State Floodplain Management Program. This information will update flood information for the community, inform future development and planning, be utilised for emergency planning and improve community disaster preparedness. The flood study is a key component in managing Council's floodplain management responsibilities and risks.

This project is required to be completed by 1 March 2028 and will commence within this financial year. The funding requires a 2:1 ratio with Council providing one-third of the total project cost.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The total project cost of \$303,000 (excl. GST) will be covered by the grant funding amount of \$202,000 (excl. GST), with Council contributing the remaining amount of \$101,000 (excl. GST). Council's contribution will be sourced from the Stormwater Levy Reserve.

The funding will be allocated in the budget as follows:

Financial Year:	FY 2024/25	FY2025/26	FY2026/27
Allocation: (excl. GST)	\$30,000	\$150,000	\$123,000

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CONCLUSION

The grant funding will allow Council to update the Upper South Creek Flood Study. This aligns with Council's flood management goals of ensuring availability of up-to-date flood information for the community and leading informed decisions in managing and mitigating flood risks.

RECOMMENDED**That Council:**

- i. **accept the grant funding of \$202,000 (excl. GST) from the Floodplain Management Program, managed by the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water;**
- ii. **allocate the match funding of \$101,000 (excl. GST) in the 2025/26 financial year budget from the Stormwater Levy Reserve; and**
- iii. **write to The Hon. Penny Sharpe MP, Minister for the Environment and Heritage, and the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water, thanking them for the grant.**

ORD05**ORD05**

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING - CLUBGRANTS 3
FROM: Director Sport, Community and Activation
EDMS #: 24/698022

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of a successful grant funding application from the NSW Government's Infrastructure Grants – Sports and Recreation program for Belgenny Reserve, Camden and to seek Council's endorsement to accept the funding.

BACKGROUND

The NSW Office of Responsible Gambling administers the NSW Clubgrants Category 3 Infrastructure Grants program.

The objective of the program is to fund the costs of construction, alteration, renovation, completion and fit-out of buildings and community infrastructure to deliver outcomes for disadvantaged NSW communities including regional, remote and drought-affected areas, culturally and linguistically diverse, disability and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and disaster-affected communities.

Council has been successful in obtaining \$300,000 (excl. GST) to provide sports field upgrade works to Belgenny Reserve, Camden, with works to be completed by December 2026.

MAIN REPORT

The NSW Government has advised Council that it was successful in its application for \$300,000 (excl. GST) for the upgrade of Belgenny Reserve sports field. Council will work with the Camden Falcons Football Club to determine the scope of the project.

The funded works are a priority for the Club and are consistent with strategic outcomes for Belgenny Reserve identified in the Camden Sportsground Strategy.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council has been successful in its grant application for sports field improvements at Belgenny Reserve, Camden. The grant of \$300,000 (excl. GST) from the NSW Government will be consolidated with Councils' current contribution of \$442,738, from Council's Community Support Package, to provide a total budget of \$742,738.

This additional grant will allow Council to complete a broader scope of field improvement works, ensuring improved outcomes for the use and operational management of the sports field.

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CONCLUSION

Council has been successful in its application to the NSW Office of Responsible Gambling's 2023 Clubgrants Category 3 Infrastructure Grants – Sport and Recreation for \$300,000 to contribute to sports field improvement works at Belgenny Reserve, Camden.

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. accept the grant funding of \$300,000 (excl. GST) from the NSW Office of Responsible Gambling's 2023 Clubgrants Category 3 Infrastructure Grants – Sport and Recreation for inclusion in the 2024/25 budget;**
- ii. write to The Hon. David Harris MP, Minister for Liquor and Gaming, thanking the NSW Government for the grants; and**
- iii. write to Mrs Sally Quinnell MP, Member for Camden, Mr Nathan Hagarty MP, Member for Leppington, and Mrs Tanya Davies MP, Member for Badgerys Creek, thanking them for their support.**

ORD06**ORD06**

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING - NSW GOVERNMENT SENIORS FESTIVAL GRANTS PROGRAM - TOGETHER WE SHINE SENIORS WELLBEING AND LIFESTYLE EXPO 2025

FROM: Director Sport, Community and Activation

EDMS #: 24/698794

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the successful grant funding application of \$4,500 (excl. GST) through the NSW Government's Seniors Festival Grants Program for the Together We Shine Seniors Wellbeing and Lifestyle Expo 2025, and to seek Council's endorsement to accept the funding.

BACKGROUND

The Seniors Festival Grants Program is part of the NSW Government's commitment to provide seed funding for councils to run local Seniors Festival programs and activities.

The grant encourages seniors in NSW to enjoy new experiences, continue learning and stay active, and provides opportunities for people over 60 to remain active, healthy and connected with their local communities.

MAIN REPORT

The NSW Government's Seniors Grants Program has advised Council that it was successful in its application for \$4,500 (excl. GST) to fund Council's Together We Shine Seniors Wellbeing and Lifestyle Expo 2025.

The expo is part of Council's broader Seniors Festival program and will be delivered in partnership with local seniors, community groups, aged care services and local businesses.

The event is aimed at:

- Promoting positive attitudes and behaviours to ageing;
- Celebrating respect, inclusion and social participation of all seniors across the Camden Local Government Area (LGA);
- Providing knowledge and skills development; and
- Celebrating ageing through showcasing seniors' talents and knowledge.

The funds provided under this category will enable Council to develop and deliver the Together We Shine Seniors Wellbeing and Lifestyle Expo. This event is dedicated to embracing positive attitudes and behaviours towards ageing, celebrating respect, inclusion and social participation for local seniors through collaboration and engagement.

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The expo will feature key components including:

- Seniors' creative works displays;
- Services and seniors' social groups expo providing information about what is on offer to support and connect seniors in the Camden LGA; and,
- Participation in workshops and activities.

During the event, professional photographers will capture images and experiences for a broader pictorial to showcase positive ageing through a variety of media platforms. Healthy food and refreshments will be offered throughout the day. The event is free and will be held at the Julia Reserve Community Centre.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council has been successful in its application for \$4,500 (excl. GST). In addition, Council has allocated \$2,500 to the expo from existing budgets.

The grant will support the hire of equipment, photography, catering, facilitation and resources for various workshops and activities.

CONCLUSION

Council has been successful in its application for \$4,500 (excl. GST) to deliver the Together We Shine project through the NSW Government's Seniors Festival Grants Program.

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- accept the grant funding of \$4,500 (excl. GST) from the NSW Government's Seniors Festival Grants Program for inclusion in the 2024/25 budget to deliver the Together We Shine project;**
- write to The Hon. Jodie Harrison MP, Minister for Seniors, thanking her for the grant; and**
- write to Mrs Sally Quinnell MP, Member for Camden, Mr Nathan Hagarty MP, Member for Leppington, and Mrs Tanya Davies MP, Member for Badgerys Creek, thanking them for their support.**

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SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING - TRANSPORT FOR NEW SOUTH WALES - ROAD SAFETY PROGRAM 2025/26
FROM: Director Community Assets
EDMS #: 24/712028

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek Council’s acceptance of grant funding in the sum of \$3,467,564 (excl. GST) from Transport for New South Wales (TfNSW), under the Road Safety Program for six projects.

BACKGROUND

TfNSW seeks applications from councils each year for road safety capital projects under a range of programs. This year, six projects have been successful in securing funding under the Road Safety Program.

MAIN REPORT

The NSW Government and Australian Government are jointly offering funding under the Road Safety Program. Council has been advised by TfNSW that the following application has been successful in receiving grant funding in the 2025/26 financial year:

Location	Details	Budget (excl. GST)	Attachment
Menangle Road, Camden, at Camden Hospital and at side roads	Wombat crossing and kerb extensions	\$1,174,000	1
Werombi Road / Smalls Road, Grasmere	Roundabout and crossing upgrade	\$490,000	2
Springs Road, Spring Farm, near Burrell Road	Wombat crossing	\$464,756	3
Price Ridge, Leppington	Pedestrian refuge crossings and zebra crossing	\$298,566	4
Oxley Street, Camden at Camden Civic Centre	Wombat crossing and disability bay	\$337,926	5
Waterworth Drive, Mount Annan, near O'Dea Road	Wombat crossing and footpath	\$702,316	6

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council will receive a total of \$3,467,564 (excl. GST), including identified contingency funding (P90 estimate), through the Road Safety Program to be allocated in the 2025/26 financial year.

No matching funding is required for this project.

CONCLUSION

Council has been successful in securing grant funding under the 2025/26 Road Safety Program. The projects will enhance road safety and it is recommended that the grant funding be accepted.

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. **accept the grant funding of \$3,467,564 (excl. GST) from Transport for New South Wales, under the Road Safety Program 2025/26, to undertake six nominated projects, allocating funding to the 2025/26 budget;**
- ii. **write to The Hon. John Graham MLC, NSW Minister for Roads, thanking him for the grant;**
- iii. **write to The Hon. Catherine King MP, Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government, thanking her for the grant;**
- iv. **write to Mrs Sally Quinnell MP, NSW Member for Camden, thanking her for her support;**
- v. **write to The Hon. Angus Taylor MP, Federal Member for Hume, thanking him for his support;**
- vi. **write to Mr Nathan Hagarty MP, NSW Member for Leppington, thanking him for his support for the Price Ridge project; and**
- vii. **write to Dr Mike Freelander MP, Federal Member for Macarthur, thanking him for his support for the Price Ridge project.**

ATTACHMENTS

1. Menangle Road
2. Werombi Road
3. Springs Road
4. Price Ridge
5. Oxley Street
6. Waterworth Drive

ORD08**ORD08**

**SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING - NSW RECONSTRUCTIVE
AUTHORITY SUPPORTING SPONTANEOUS VOLUNTEERS
PROGRAM**

FROM: Director Sport, Community and Activation

EDMS #: 24/724780

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the successful grant funding application of \$84,525 (excl. GST) from the NSW Reconstruction Authority's Supporting Spontaneous Volunteer Program, and to seek Council's endorsement to accept the funding.

BACKGROUND

The Supporting Spontaneous Volunteers Program is a \$5 million open competitive grant program established in response to the 2022 NSW Flood Inquiry's recommendation that the NSW Government create a program to support better coordination of community efforts to save life and property during a disaster.

The Program is also informed by the NSW Government's Review of Emergency Volunteering (2023) and is aimed at supporting communities and volunteers to be better prepared, supported, coordinated and mobilised to respond to disaster events.

MAIN REPORT

The NSW Reconstruction Authority has advised Council that it was successful in its application for \$84,525 (excl. GST) to fund Camden Council's Community Alliance Resilience Education (CARE) program.

The CARE program will provide an opportunity for local organisations to undertake an accredited TAFE course to increase their capacity to support their communities during emergency situations.

The program will support the revitalisation of spontaneous volunteering within Camden, equipping existing sector agencies and groups with the necessary tools to better support their volunteers.

Additionally, Council will offer knowledge sessions and resources to the community, enabling them to better support themselves and their neighbours in emergency situations.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council has been successful in its application for \$84,525 (excl. GST), with the grant funding to fully cover the cost of the program.

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CONCLUSION

Council has received a grant of \$84,525 (excl. GST) to deliver the CARE program within the Camden Local Government Area.

Through the program, Council aims to enhance the capacity and knowledge of spontaneous volunteers across the community and sector.

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. accept the grant funding of \$84,525 (excl. GST) from the NSW Reconstruction Authority for inclusion in the 2024/25 budget;**
- ii. write to The Hon. Jihad Dib MP, Minister for Emergency Services, thanking him for the grant; and**
- iii. write to Mrs Sally Quinnell MP, Member for Camden, Mr Nathan Hagarty MP, Member for Leppington, and Mrs Tanya Davies MP, Member for Badgerys Creek, thanking them for their support.**

ORD09**ORD09**

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING – DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS – CYBER SAFETY AWARENESS SUPPORT FOR VULNERABLE GROUPS GRANTS PROGRAM

FROM: Director Sport, Community and Activation

EDMS #: 24/714489

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the successful grant funding application of \$35,000 (excl. GST) received through the Australian Government's Department of Home Affairs Cyber Safety Awareness Support for Vulnerable Groups Grants Program, and to seek Council's endorsement to accept the funding.

BACKGROUND

The 2025/2026 Cyber Safety Awareness Support for Vulnerable Groups Grant aims to enhance the national cyber security awareness initiative, with a focus on increasing cyber security outreach and literacy within the community.

Over a 12-month period, the funds provided will allow Council to design and implement:

- Customised cyber security literacy programs for people with disabilities (PwD), seniors and the Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) community at multiple locations across the Camden Local Government Area;
- Online awareness and education initiatives;
- Cyber security awareness campaigns through social media platforms; and
- Accessible resources, distributed in various formats across different locations, including social media, community programs, events, libraries and local community facilities.

MAIN REPORT

The Australian Government's Department of Home Affairs has advised Council that it was successful in its application for \$35,000 (excl. GST) to fund Council's Cyber Savvy Camden Program.

This grant will assist Council in implementing an inclusive and much needed cyber security literacy training program for highly vulnerable groups in our community.

With limited technical knowledge, unfamiliarity with online platforms and a trusting nature makes the elderly within our communities more vulnerable to many cyber security threats, including being susceptible to phishing emails, phone scams or fraudulent schemes that trick them into revealing personal information or making financial transactions. Similarly, People with Disability often need to ask others to help them access online tools, which can compromise their privacy and security.

Council's Cyber Savvy Camden Program will enhance cyber safety awareness and literacy in our community through a targeted outreach in-person program as well as online education and promotion of potential cybercrimes that may have a negative impact on the vulnerable groups in our community.

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FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council has been successful in its application for \$35,000 (excl. GST) from the Australian Government to implement Council's Cyber Savvy Camden Program

The grant will support the facilitation of and resources for various workshops and activities and the development of education resources and delivery of campaigns to educate vulnerable members of our community on cyber safety and security.

CONCLUSION

Council has been successful in its application for \$35,000 (excl. GST) to deliver the 2025 Cyber Savvy Camden Program which will be implemented over a 12-month period.

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. accept the grant funding of \$35,000 (excl. GST) from the Australian Government's Cyber Safety Awareness Support for Vulnerable Groups Grants Program for inclusion in the 2025/26 budget to deliver the 2025 Cyber Savvy Camden Program;**
- ii. write to The Hon. Tony Burke MP, Minister for Cyber Security, thanking him for the grant; and**
- iii. write to Mrs Sally Quinnell MP, Member for Camden, Mr Nathan Hagarty MP, Member for Leppington and Mrs Tanya Davies MP, Member for Badgerys Creek, thanking them for their support.**

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SUBJECT: INVESTMENT MONIES - OCTOBER 2024
FROM: Director Growth and Finance
EDMS #: 24/695035

PURPOSE OF REPORT

In accordance with Part 9, Division 5, Section 212 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, a list of investments held by Council as at 31 October 2024 is provided.

MAIN REPORT

The weighted average return on all investments was 5.10% p.a. for the month of October 2024. The industry benchmark for this period was 4.50% (Ausbond Bank Bill Index) and the current official cash rate as determined by the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) has remained at 4.35%.

The Responsible Accounting Officer (the Chief Financial Officer) has certified that all investments have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, the relevant regulations and Council's Investment Policy.

Council's Investment Report is provided as an **attachment** to this report.

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. **note that the Responsible Accounting Officer has certified that all investments held by Council have been made in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*, Regulations and Council's Investment Policy;**
- ii. **note the list of investments for October 2024; and**
- iii. **note the weighted average interest rate return of 5.10% p.a. for the month of October 2024.**

ATTACHMENTS

1. Monthly Investment Summary Report - October 2024

SUBJECT: DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS RETURNS
FROM: Director Customer and Corporate Strategy
EDMS #: 24/698552

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to recommend that Council note the tabling of Disclosure of Interests Returns lodged by members of the Camden Local Planning Panel (CLPP) for the 2023/2024 financial year and by newly elected Councillors.

BACKGROUND

Camden Local Planning Panel

Under Part 4 of the Local Planning Panels Code of Conduct (LPP Code of Conduct), members of the CLPP are required to periodically lodge with the Panel Chair a Disclosure of Interests Return. The Panel Chair must provide Disclosure of Interests Returns to the General Manager, who must in turn keep a register of the Returns.

Councillors

Under clause 4.21 of Council's Code of Conduct, Council's new Councillors must complete and lodge with the General Manager a Disclosure of Interests Return within three months after becoming a Councillor. Under clause 4.22 of the Code of Conduct, this requirement does not apply to returning Councillors who have been elected for a subsequent term of office, as they made and lodged Returns for the 2023/2024 financial year within the preceding three months that were tabled at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 15 October 2024.

MAIN REPORT

Camden Local Planning Panel

Under Schedule 2 of the LPP Code of Conduct, the General Manager is required to table at a Council meeting all Disclosure of Interests Returns of CLPP members lodged with the Panel Chair. The Returns were tabled at the CLPP meeting of 19 November 2024.

Councillors

Under clause 4.25 of the Code of Conduct, the Disclosure of Interests Returns of Councillors must be tabled at a Council meeting after they have been lodged. Newly elected Councillors have lodged their first Disclosure of Interests Returns.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

CONCLUSION

The completed Disclosures of Interests Returns lodged by members of the CLPP and newly elected Councillors are tabled.

RECOMMENDED

That Council note the tabling of the Disclosure of Interests Returns lodged by members of the Camden Local Planning Panel for the 2023/2024 financial year and by newly elected Councillors.

ORD11

SUBJECT: MINUTES TO THE 21 OCTOBER 2024 AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

FROM: General Manager

EDMS #: 24/701971

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with the minutes of the 21 October 2024 Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting.

BACKGROUND

Council endorsed the implementation of a Business Assurance and Risk Management framework in June 2014. This framework included the establishment of a Business Assurance and Risk Committee (renamed Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee).

Council resolved to adopt the Committee's revised Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Terms of Reference (ARIC ToR) on 11 June 2024. The ARIC ToR includes a requirement to report draft minutes to Councillors via the Councillor Update, and to subsequently report the final minutes to Council for noting after they have been approved at the next Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting.

MAIN REPORT

The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee met on 21 October 2024. The agenda discussed at the meeting included:

- Review of Annual Financial Statements and Audit Reports for the Year Ending 30 June 2024; and
- Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Annual Work Plan Status.

The draft minutes of the 21 October 2024 Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting were circulated to Councillors as part of the Weekly Councillor Update on 15 November 2024, and subsequently approved at the 27 November Committee meeting. The approved minutes are provided as an **attachment** to this report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

CONCLUSION

The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee plays an important role in supporting the governance framework of Council. Reporting the minutes from Committee meetings keeps Council informed of the outcomes from those meetings and they are submitted for information.

RECOMMENDED

That Council note the minutes of the 21 October 2024 Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting.

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1. Minutes to the 21 October 2024 Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting

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SUBJECT: DELEGATIONS TO THE MAYOR - CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR RECESS PERIOD
FROM: Director Customer and Corporate Strategy
EDMS #: 24/519222

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to request that Council delegate authority to the Mayor (and the Deputy Mayor, in the absence of the Mayor) during the Christmas/New Year recess period.

BACKGROUND

In accordance with past practice, it is proposed to grant a delegation to the Mayor (and the Deputy Mayor, in the absence of the Mayor) to make urgent decisions during the Christmas/New Year recess period.

MAIN REPORT

Council will be in recess from 11 December 2024 until 11 February 2025 (the recess period). During the recess period, it may be necessary to make decisions on urgent matters that may not fall within the delegations to staff.

The *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act) allows Council to delegate functions under section 377 of the Act (subject to certain exceptions) and authority is also provided to the Mayor under section 226 of the Act to exercise certain functions between meetings. It is Council's usual practice to delegate authority to the Mayor (and the Deputy Mayor, in the absence of the Mayor) during the recess period to make decisions on urgent matters.

This delegation would only be exercised in matters of urgency. In the event of an issue of significant magnitude and impact arising, an extraordinary Council meeting can be convened.

Should the need arise to exercise this delegation, a report will be provided to the Ordinary Council Meeting of 11 February 2025 to inform Council of the matters that required the delegated authority to be exercised.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

CONCLUSION

Council is requested to delegate authority to the Mayor (and Deputy Mayor, in the absence of the Mayor) to make decisions on urgent matters during the recess period from 11 December 2024 until 11 February 2025, as provided for under sections 226 and 377 of the Act.

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. delegate authority to the Mayor (and Deputy Mayor, in the absence of the Mayor) to make decisions on urgent matters during the recess period from 11 December 2024 until 11 February 2025, as provided for under sections 226 and 377 of the *Local Government Act 1993*; and**
- ii. receive a report to the Ordinary Council Meeting of 11 February 2025, if this delegated authority is exercised.**

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NOTICE OF MOTION OF RESCISSION

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF MOTION OF RESCISSION - ORD14 PLACE NAMING PROPOSAL - NEW SUBURB 'BARKER'
FROM: Cr Campbell, Cr Ferreri, Cr McLean, Cr Suri
EDMS #: 24/698945
PREVIOUS ITEMS: ORD14 - Place Naming Proposal - New Suburb "Barker" - Ordinary Council - 12 Nov 2024

"We, the undersigned Councillors, hereby give notice of our intention to move that the Council resolution relating to Item ORD14 - Place Naming Proposal - New Suburb "Barker" of the Ordinary Council Meeting of the 11 November 2024, Minute No. ORD158/24, BE RESCINDED.

Cr Campbell
Cr Ferreri
Cr McLean
Cr Suri

Minute No. ORD158/24 - Extract of resolution:

Motion: Moved Councillor Rahman, Seconded Councillor McLean that Council defer this matter subject to a further Councillor Briefing to explore further name options.

ORD158/24 THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS CARRIED

Should the above Motion of Rescission be carried, it is our intention to move the following motion:

That Council:

1. endorse the proposed suburb name "Barker" as received from Maryland Estate Developments; and
2. refer this decision to the NSW Geographical Names Board for final determination.

BACKGROUND

On consideration, the Council's decision to deny Maryland Estate Developments the opportunity to have the Geographical Names Board consider the adoption of the name chosen by them for their new estate was unprecedented.

Council acknowledges the presentations given by the developers to Council, the standard of the research behind the proposed suburb name and the quality of the presentation. It is also noted that similar presentations were presented at the Camden Historical Society. Furthermore, the Society's endorsement was given to this proposed name. The connection between the proposed name and the area being developed is both significant and undisputed.

At the presentations given to Council, no questions were raised against the proposal.

On past occasions, Councillors have occasionally expressed certain concerns about developer's proposals for street names. However, these comments have never been addressed through either a refusal to refer the names to the GNB or the development of a Place Names Policy to guide developers on name selection. No parameters have been established around what names would be preferred or considered as most appropriate.

The debate on Item ORD14, at Council's meeting on Tuesday, 12 November 2024, changed Council's past procedure without warning.

If Councillors want to create a Place Names Policy as a guide for developers and set preferences around naming suburbs and streets, this can be done. This would be an excellent exercise however such a policy should be placed on public exhibition for community comment and then reported back to Council for potential adoption. This would be the appropriate and transparent process to follow and would clearly indicate Council's intentions regarding place names in future."

RECOMMENDED

That Council rescind the Council resolution relating to Item ORD14 - Place Naming Proposal - New Suburb "Barker" of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 11 November 2024, being Minute No. ORD158/24.

Should the above Motion of Rescission be carried, it is our intention to move the following motion:

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. endorse the proposed suburb name "Barker" as received from Maryland Estate Developments; and**
- ii. refer this decision to the NSW Geographical Names Board for final determination.**

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NOTICE OF MOTION

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF MOTION - DEVELOPMENT IN CAMDEN LGA
FROM: Cr McLean
EDMS #: 24/726015

“I, Councillor Peter McLean, hereby give notice of my intention to move the following at the Council Meeting of 10 December 2024:

For Council to acknowledge and recognise the significant impacts which continuing infill development has on communities and neighbourhoods. This is especially in relation to prior redevelopments and changes which cause compounding impacts in established suburbs. This includes sub-divisions, preschools, childcare and other high volume traffic generating businesses which suburbs weren’t originally designed for.”

RECOMMENDED

That Council acknowledge and recognise the significant impacts which continuing infill development has on communities and neighbourhoods, especially in relation to prior redevelopments and changes which cause compounding impacts in established suburbs, and including sub-divisions, preschools, childcare and other high volume traffic generating businesses which suburbs were not originally designed for.

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NOTICE OF MOTION

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF MOTION - HOUSING NEED
FROM: Cr McLean
EDMS #: 24/726115

"I Councillor Peter McLean hereby give notice of my intention to move the following at the Council Meeting of 10 December 2024:

That Council acknowledges that unmet housing need is a major challenge which is greatly impacting our community. It leads to all forms of homelessness and is a sign of the growing inequity in our community which we must do more to address as our community grows. And for Council to take a community leadership role by hosting a community forum on housing affordability and homelessness (from all causes, including family violence) in early 2025.

The purpose of this forum is:

- Engagement and collaboration with stakeholders around the issue of unmet housing need in Camden LGA. Major stakeholders and representatives would include:
 - Developers and related stakeholders
 - Community Housing providers
 - Related local community groups and charities
 - Representatives from local faith based groups
 - State and Federal Members of Parliament
 - Councillors and Senior Council Officers
 - Local media representatives
 - Other individuals and appropriate representatives.
- Learn about the extent of the problem locally and possible solutions.
- Articulate and consolidate the key priorities and actions for Council and other stakeholders going forward on unmet housing need in Camden LGA."

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. **acknowledge that unmet housing need is a major challenge which is greatly impacting our community, as it leads to all forms of homelessness and is a sign of the growing inequity in our community which we must do more to address as our community grows; and**
- ii. **take a community leadership role by hosting a community forum on housing affordability and homelessness (from all causes, including family violence) in early 2025, the purpose of which is to:**

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- a. **engage and collaborate with stakeholders around the issue of unmet housing need in the Camden LGA, with major stakeholders and representatives to include:**
 - **Developers and related stakeholders;**
 - **Community housing providers;**
 - **Related local community groups and charities;**
 - **Representatives from local faith-based groups;**
 - **State and Federal Members of Parliament;**
 - **Councillors and senior Council officers;**
 - **Local media representatives;**
 - **Other individuals and appropriate representatives;**

- b. **learn about the extent of the problem locally and possible solutions; and**

- c. **articulate and consolidate the key priorities and actions for Council and other stakeholders going forward on unmet housing need in the Camden LGA.**

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NOTICE OF MOTION

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF MOTION - TRAIN STATION IN ORAN PARK
FROM: Cr Suri
EDMS #: 24/728605

“I, Councillor Abha Suri, hereby give notice of my intention to move the following at the Council Meeting of 10 December 2024:

That Council intensifies the level of advocacy for the establishment of a train station in Oran Park, prepares and submits a comprehensive proposal to the relevant State ministers, State members and Transport for NSW, emphasising the data on current and projected population growth, evidence of traffic congestion and its impacts, environmental benefits of rail transport and socio-economic benefits for residents and businesses, and provides regular updates to the community on the progress of the advocacy efforts and any developments related to the proposal.

BACKGROUND

The Oran Park community has been experiencing significant growth, with increasing population and urban development. Currently, the lack of adequate accessible public transport infrastructure, particularly a train station, limits the mobility of residents, creates traffic congestion and impacts the local environment. Establishing a train station would provide sustainable transport options, promote economic development and enhance the quality of life for residents.”

RECOMMENDED**That Council:**

- i. intensify the level of advocacy for the establishment of a train station in Oran Park;**
- ii. prepare and submit a comprehensive proposal to the relevant State ministers, State members and Transport for NSW, emphasising the data on current and projected population growth, evidence of traffic congestion and its impacts, environmental benefits of rail transport and socio-economic benefits for residents and businesses; and**
- iii. provide regular updates to the community on the progress of the advocacy efforts and any developments related to the proposal.**

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