

Record of Proceedings



Wollondilly Shire Council

Community Forum Monday 13 February 2017

The Community Forum commenced at 6.33pm and was held in the Council Foyer,
62-64 Menangle Street, Picton 2571.

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OPENING BY THE CHAIRPERSON

The Chairperson, Cr Gould opened the Community Forum at 6.33pm. The Chairperson welcomed all those in attendance at the Community Forum. The Chairperson introduced the Mayor, Cr Hannan; Councillors, the General Manager, Directors and other staff to the Community Forum participants.

The Chairperson stated that the electronic recording of the Community Forum and the use of electronic media during the proceedings is not permitted including such devices as laptops, mobile phones, tape recorders and video cameras. The participants were requested to put their mobile phones on silent.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chairperson acknowledged the Traditional Custodians of the Land:

I would like to pay my respect and acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which this meeting takes place, and also pay respect to Elders both past and present.

PRESENT

Councillors: Landow, Hannan (Mayor), Gould, Banasik, Briggs, Khan, Deeth, Law and Lowry

ALSO PRESENT

General Manager, Executive Director Community Services and Corporate Support, Director Planning, Director Infrastructure and Environment and one Administration Officer.

APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cr Deeth declared a Pecuniary Conflict of Interest in relation to Informal Question 2 regarding a petition dealing with the proposed development in Station Street, Menangle Planning. The reason being was that he owns a property across the road from the development site. Cr Deeth advised he would leave the forum during discussion of this matter.

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Cr Deeth declared a Non-Pecuniary (Less than significant) Conflict of Interest in regards to Informal Question No. 3 in relation to two (2) storey development adjoining low density housing areas. The reason being the person addressing the forum (Donald Jones) is an acquaintance. Cr Deeth advised that he would remain in the meeting during discussions on this matter.

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FORMAL COMMUNITY FORUM MATTERS

COMMUNITY

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1. **Community Safety**

Police officers from two of the three Local Area Commands (LAC's) covering Wollondilly presented information to the community on current community safety issues within the Shire as follows:

Inspector Tara Norton, Customer Service Duty Officer, Campbelltown LAC opened the presentation and Introduced Superintendent Commander, Wayne Benson also of Campbelltown LAC. The following statistics were provided for Appin for the previous three months from November 2016 to January 2017.

- 7 x Assaults
- 5 x Break and Enters
- 1 x Deceased
- 7 x Domestic Violence related (No Offence)
- 2 x Fires
- 2 x Frauds
- 3 x Major Motor Traffic Accidents (2 single vehicle – no fatalities)
- 2 x Malicious Damage
- 3 x Scheduled - Mental Health'
- 1 x Missing Person
- 8 x Stealing's (3 from Motor Vehicle, 1 x Licence Plates and the remainder from shops)
- 1 x Vehicle stolen
- 529 recorded Traffic Infringements

Proactivity conducted in the area

- 6 x People moved on
- 15 x Person searches
- 6 x Vehicle searches

Inspector Norton stated that there were no detectable trends found, most assaults related to domestic violence and no sign of increases in any of the crime catchment areas.

Several questions were asked and answered on the night, responded to by Inspector Norton and Superintendent Commander Benson.

A/Superintendent and A/Commander, Barry Vincent, Crime Manager from St Marys LAC made apologies for Mr Peters. The following statistics were provided for Warragamba, Wallacia and Silverdale for the period October 2016 to January 2017.

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- 4 x Assaults
- 2 x Break and Enters
- 18 x Domestic Violence (No further action)
- 2 x Fires
- 22 x Frauds (Petrol fraud with several related to one individual)
- 4 x Major Traffic Accidents
- 5 x Malicious Damage
- 1 x Missing Person

Proactivity conducted in the area

- 13 x Person searches
- 1 x Vehicle search
- 34 x Patrols
- 2 x Stealing's
- 2 x Stolen motor vehicle
- Approximately 260 recorded Traffic Infringements

A/Superintendent Vincent stated that the statistics are trending down with an exception to the fraud category.

Various questions were asked and responded to on the night by A/Superintendent Vincent and the General Manger.

Acting Inspector Dale Abbott of Camden Local Area Command presented the following statistics for October 2015 to September 2016.

- 179 x Assault – Domestic Violence related
- 101 x Assault – No Domestic Violence related
- 53 x Breach AVO's
- 104 x Break and Enter – dwelling
- 42 x Break and Enter – non-dwelling
- 189 x Malicious damage to property
- 49 x Motor vehicle theft
- 15 x Possession and/or use of amphetamines
- 88 x Possession and/or use of cannabis
- 18 x Possession and/or use of ecstasy
- 2 x Robbery without a weapon
- 37 x Sexual assaults
- 72 x Steal from dwelling
- 116 x Steal from motor vehicle

Acting Inspector Abbott stated that crime is not out of control. He advised that police levels are a matter for the government and that tasking is a matter for the police commander of each area.

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Acting Inspector Abbott advised that Picton Police Station is now regularly manned again with a station constable present on court days. He advised the participants that reporting through other avenues such as the police assistance lines is another option.

The Mayor read out a statement sent in by the Local Member, Jai Rowell who passed on his apologies for not being here tonight. Unfortunately he was unable to attend as it was the first parliamentary sitting week of the year. In his statement he praised the hard work of our police force which is evidenced by the fact that Wollondilly LGA has one of the lowest crime rates across NSW. In summary, he agreed that more police are needed to address our population growth and advised that he had been working for some time now with all the relevant agencies through the Deputy Commissioner of Police and the Police Minister and that he had seen results. He stated that he would continue to work with the Police to secure resources for them and stand up for the issues the community see as important.

A large number of questions were asked and responded to on the night.

The Chairperson thanked the police for their attendance here tonight.

A short recess was taken at 7.44pm. The Forum reopened at 7.51pm.

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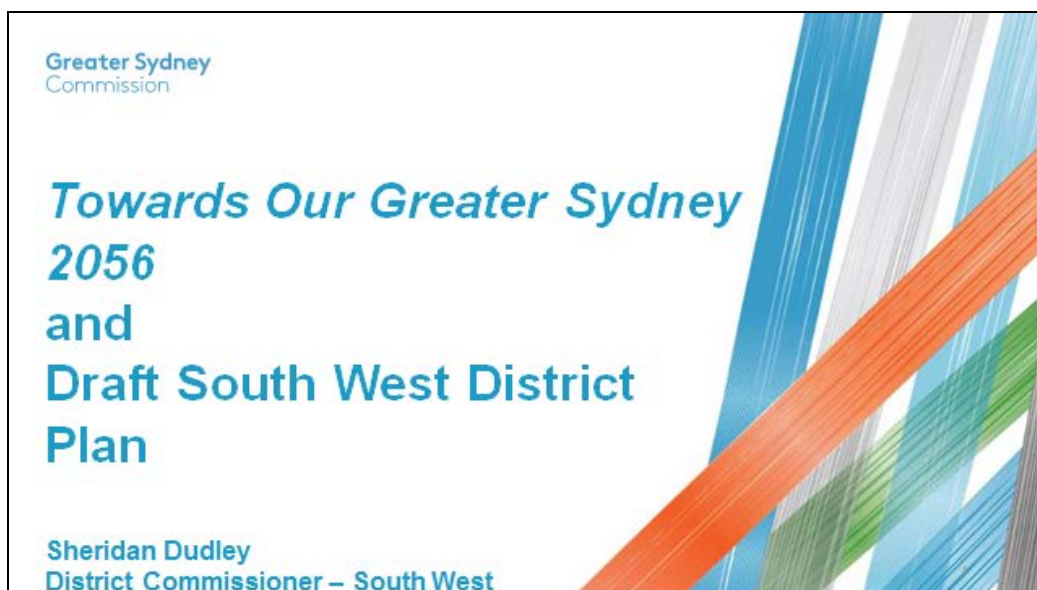
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PLANNING AND ECONOMY

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2. Greater Sydney Commission Presentation

The District Commissioner, Sheridan Dudley, gave the following presentation to Council and the community on the content of the draft South West District Plan (draft Plan).



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An overview of the Greater Sydney Commission was provided. The District Commissioner explained that this authority was established in 2016 and is something Sydney has never had before. Sydney has been broken down into 6 districts to facilitate the alignment of planning for all of Sydney. The first task, which is a legislative requirement, is to put together draft District Plans.



**Population Forecasts
South West District**

- Sydney's fastest growing District
- 2016: 715,000
- 2036: 1,088,000
- 2056: a city the size of Adelaide west of Blacktown

The slide features a decorative graphic in the bottom right corner consisting of diagonal brushstrokes in shades of blue, orange, and green.

Plans have been created in the context of population forecasts with a 40 year vision.



What you told us

Key issues:

- 29% Great Places
- 23% Transport and Infrastructure
- 20% Housing
- 13% Jobs
- 8% Environment

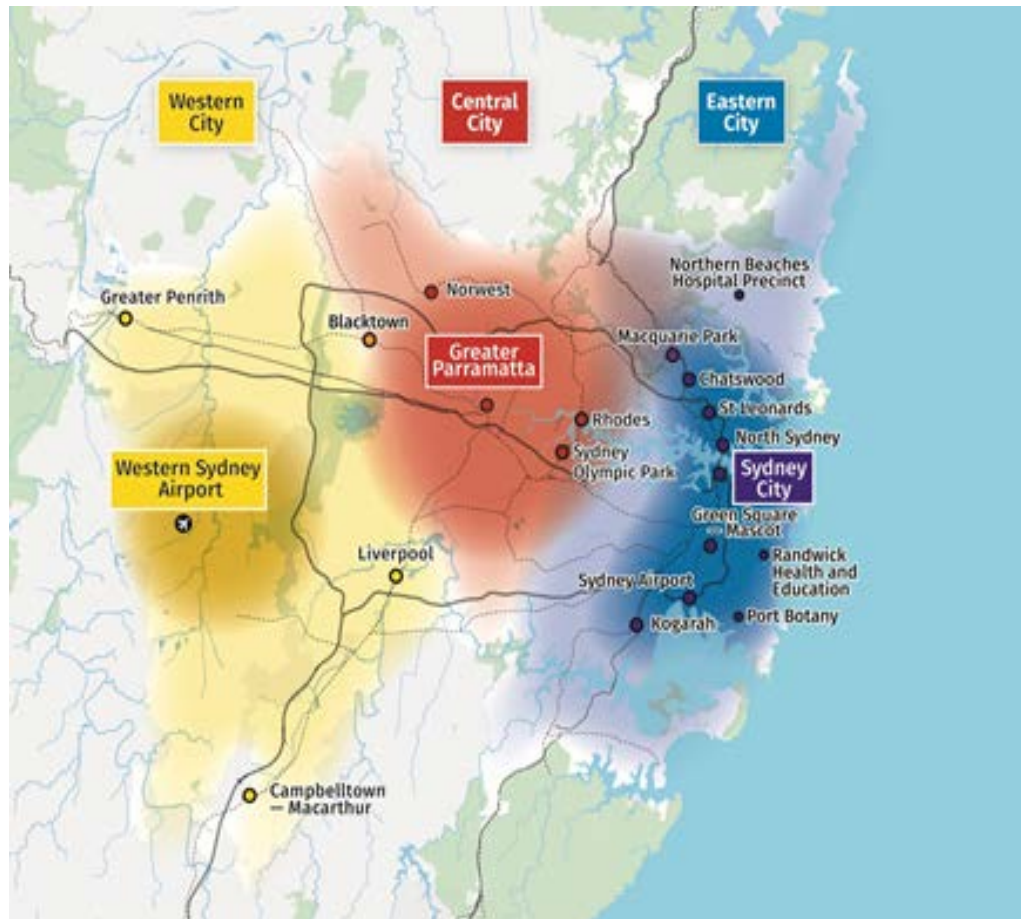
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The District Commissioner stated that her role is to represent the interests of the South West District. The key concerns that they have uncovered in preparing the draft Plan is that we want great places, good development, transport and infrastructure, housing choice and diversity.

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By 2056 the plan is to have a city of three cities, growing a city around a Western Sydney Airport.



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The District Commissioner ran through the key features of the draft Plan, stating that “we have gone as far as we can and we need your input.”

The big issues



The three big issues of productivity; sustainability and liveability were highlighted.

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Draft South West District Plan Highlights:

Key Priorities and Actions

PRODUCTIVITY



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Productivity Priorities

- Recreate the SW as a polycentric city of jobs & opportunity around WSA
- Integrate land use and transport planning to connect people, jobs & places in a 30 minute city
- Co-ordinate infrastructure planning with population growth
- Improve north-south and east-west transport connections
- Grow and diversify Liverpool and Campbelltown as strategic centres and health and education superprecincts
- Grow smart jobs, especially in health and education
- Retain and grow rural industries
- Protect employment and urban services lands
- Facilitate jobs growth in Wilton New Town in line with population
- Prioritise planning of Spring Farm Parkway

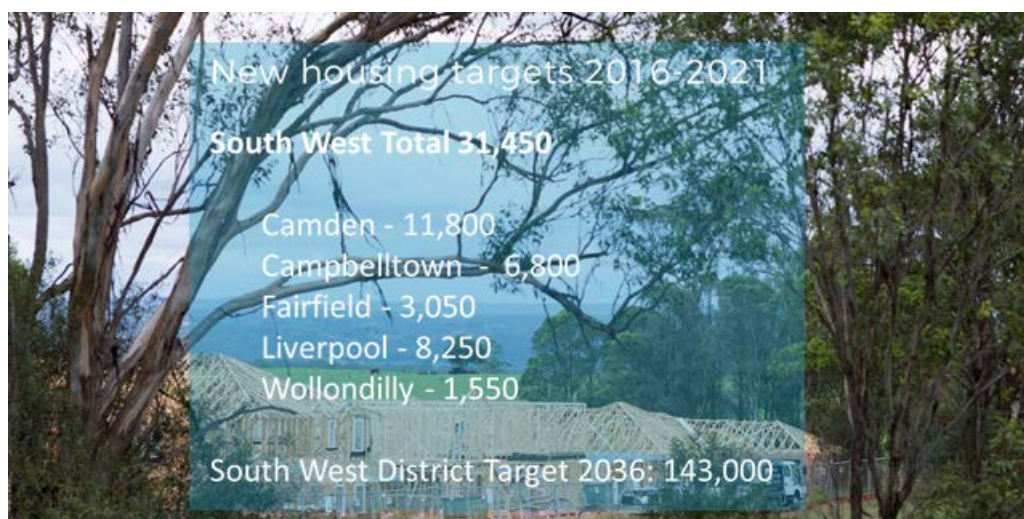
The District Commissioner explained the principle of polycentrism as organising the district around several centres one being the Western Sydney Airport (WSA).



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Liveability Priorities

- Improve housing choice: 5 & 20 year housing targets
- Improve housing diversity and affordability
- Affordable rental housing target: 5%-10%
- Create great places – not just building houses
- Foster cohesive communities
 - Conserve and enhance environmental heritage including natural, aboriginal, European
 - Foster arts and culture
- Services: schools, health, community facilities, emergency services



Create great places – not just building houses

- Housing choice, diversity, affordability
- Well-designed, accessible and affordable
- Connected, well-designed neighbourhoods
- Attractive, accessible, safe, healthy places
- Walking, cycling, pedestrian access
- Schools, health, parks, sporting facilities

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Example of the type of planning that doesn't fit the draft Plan. Dark rooftops, no airflow, no trees retained, very minimal open space, heat island.



Example of a great space that aligns with the draft Plan.



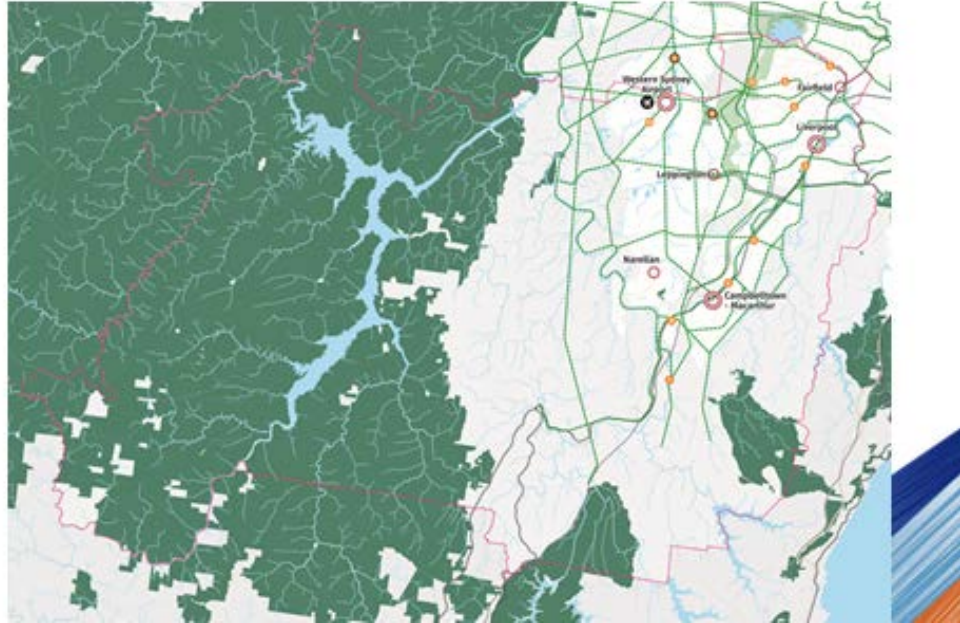
Sustainability Priorities

- Deliver Sydney's Green and Blue Grids: The Upper Canal; Camden Park and Menangle to Georges River
- Protect, conserve and enhance:
 - Natural beauty of the visual landscape
 - Ridgelines and scenic areas especially the Scenic Hills
 - Waterways & waterway health esp: South Creek; Thirlmere Lakes
 - Biodiversity including remnant vegetation
 - Urban canopy: local streets, major transport corridors
- Mitigate urban heat island effect
- Urban efficiency and resilience
- Manage the Metropolitan Rural Area

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SUSTAINABILITY - GREATER SYDNEY



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No longer do we want to see the scenic hills destroyed.

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Example of the vision.

Managing the MRA

- Discourage urban development in the MRA
- Consider environmental, social and economic values when planning for the MRA
- Provide for rural residential development while protecting the values of the MRA
- Use buffers to manage impacts of rural activities on noise, odour, air quality



The District Commissioner stated that what we want at the end, after all the consultations are completed, is an integrated plan for all of Sydney.

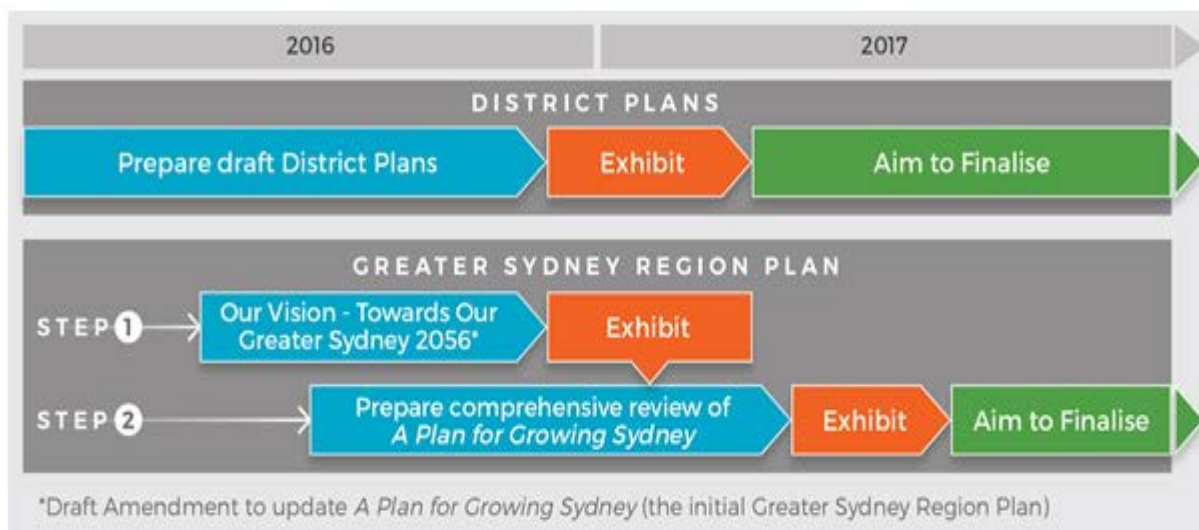
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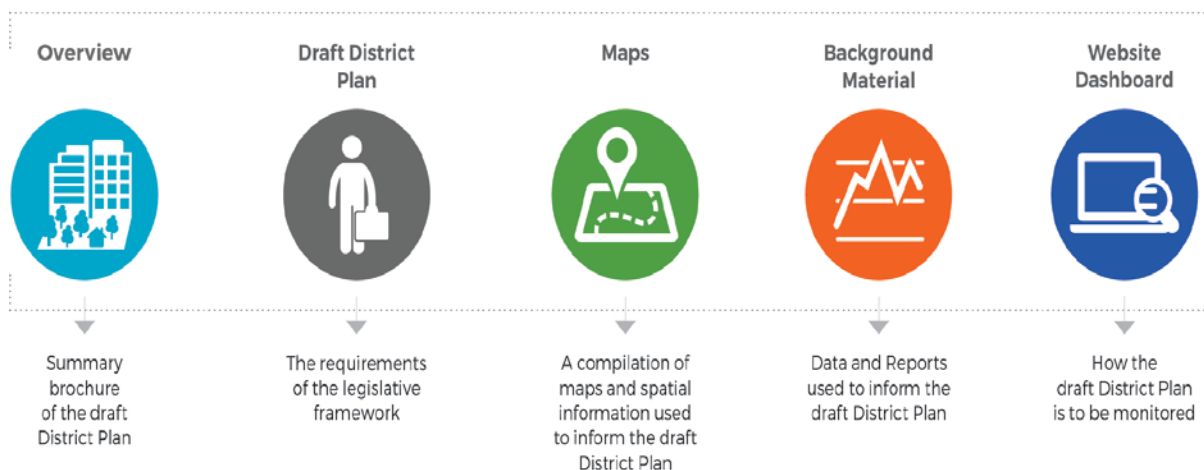
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What happens next?

Engagement



DRAFT DISTRICT PLAN



The District Commissioner advised the participants of all the resources available on the Greater Sydney Commission's website.

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**SEPARATE
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**Our Vision
Towards our
Greater Sydney
2056**

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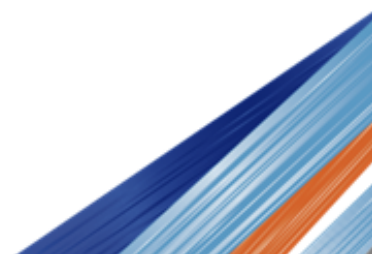
A draft
amendment to
update *A Plan for
Growing Sydney*

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The District Commissioner explained that any Planning Proposals submitted as of the 21 December 2016 need to demonstrate consistency with the draft plan. So the draft Plan, although only a draft, already has 'some teeth' as Planning Panels have to consider it and Planning Proponents have to address it.

In conclusion the District Commissioner requested everyone to have a look at the available resources and depending on your level of interest to please review the draft Plan and submit their comments for consideration.

A number of questions/comments were taken from the floor and responded to on the night.

The Chairperson thanked the District Commissioner for attending and the information presented to Council and the community.

An Informal question had been submitted to Council in relation to this presentation. The Chair advised this item would be brought forward and heard at this point in the proceedings.

Cr Deeth left the meeting at 8.51pm due to a previously declared conflict of interest in this matter.

The District Commissioner advised that as the matter related to a Planning Proposal a potential conflict of interest could result by her being present for this item. The District Commissioner along with Council's members of the Sydney South West Planning Panel; Mayor Hannan, Cr Gould and General Manager, Luke Johnson absented themselves from the meeting while the matter was discussed. The Deputy Mayor, Cr Khan took the Chair.

TRIM 6814

Ques 1 Laura Egan-Burt representing Menangle Community Association
Matter raised – Petition to Sheridan Dudley regarding the proposed Station Street development.

Ms Egan-Burt addressed the Forum.

A petition was received by Council on the District Commissioners behalf to be forwarded to the Commission.

The Chair called a 5 minute recess and the forum recommenced at 9.01pm with all Councillors and Executive staff present.

Community Question/Statement Time

COMMUNITY QUESTION/STATEMENT TIME

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A copy of all questions submitted by the cut off time is given to Councillors for their consideration regardless of whether they are addressed during the night's proceedings.

The Chairperson announced the next part of the Community Forum is Community Question/Statement Time. The Chairperson stated that Community Question/Statement Time is for matters that relate to items in Council's Ordinary Meeting Agenda. Reports are written by Council officers and reflect the views of the applicants' proposal, community views, legal aspects and where appropriate, comments.

All questions must be submitted in writing by 12 noon on the day of the Forum and there will be 2 speakers for and against a matter with a maximum of 5 minutes for each speaker.

The Chairperson reinforced that Community Forums are to provide information and to allow comment and are not a debate night. The Chairperson asked that speakers address the Chairperson and Councillors on all occasions, confine remarks to the subject matter and avoid casting personal reflections on individuals.

The Chairperson announced that the General Manager, Mr Luke Johnson would outline each Agenda item from the Executive Summary within Council's current business paper to assist in helping those present understand matters raised throughout the proceedings.

TRIM 8154-2

Ques 1 Karen Swan representing Wollondilly Pony Club and Lesley Lloyd
Matter raised – PE1 Draft Planning Proposal – West Tahmoor Minimum Lot Size Amendment No. 2

Ms Swan addressed the Forum.

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Community Question/Statement Time

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Ques 2 Thomas Baxter representing Abax Contracting Pty Ltd
Matter raised – PE1 Draft Planning Proposal – West Tahmoor Minimum Lot
Size Amendment No. 2

Mr Baxter addressed the Forum.

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Informal Question/Statement Time

INFORMAL QUESTION/STATEMENT TIME

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The Chairperson stated that this section of the Forum is for matters of concern or general issues which are not on the Council's current Ordinary Meeting Agenda.

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Informal Question
/Statement Time

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Ques 2 Katherine Robins representing self and husband
Matter raised – Development of Thirlmere Village

Mr Robins addressed the Forum.

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Ques 3 Donald Jones representing self
Matter raised – Two storey housing development adjoining low density housing area

Mr Jones addressed the Forum.

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Ques 4 Wayne Meani representing self
Matter raised – Amenities at Wollondilly Skate Parks

Mr Meani addressed the Forum.

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Informal Question/Statement Time

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Ques 5 Stan Burnus representing self
Matter raised – Flow of Waterways

Mr Burnus addressed the Forum.

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Ques 6 John Gay representing self
Matter raised – Broughton Pass

Mr Gay addressed the Forum.

The General Manager and the Director Infrastructure and Environment responded on the night.

Informal Question
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Conclusion and Informal Discussions

CONCLUSION AND INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS

The Chairperson thanked those present for participating in the Community Forum, for the feedback provided and for the interest shown in the matters discussed. The Chairperson invited everyone to partake in tea and coffee and to speak openly to Councillors about any matter they wish to raise.

The Community Forum closed at 9.35pm.

About 80 people present.

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Community Forum Dates

COMMUNITY FORUM DATES

Community Forums will generally be held on the second Monday of each month and will commence at 6.30pm except in the case of a public holiday when it will be held on the second Tuesday.

Dates for upcoming Community Forums in 2017 are as follows:

- Monday 13 March 2017
- Monday 10 April 2017
- Monday 8 May 2017
- Tuesday 13 June 2017
- Monday 10 July 2017
- Monday 14 August 2017
- Monday 11 September 2017
- Monday 9 October 2017
- Monday 13 November 2017
- Monday 4 December 2017