# 8.7. Public Exhibition of Draft North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan

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### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1. Attachment 1 North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan [8.7.1 75 pages]
- 2. Attachment 2 Applicable Rates to Different Types of Development [8.7.2 1 page]
- 3. Attachment 3 Web Visitation and Usage Report [8.7.3 1 page]

### **PURPOSE:**

To report the outcomes of the public exhibition of the draft North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan (the Plan), including minor amendments to the plan in response to submissions received.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

At its meeting on 24 August 2020, Council resolved to place the Draft North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan on public exhibition. This report outlines the issues raised in submissions and recommends minor amendments to enable Council to adopt of the North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan provided at Attachment 1.

A total of eight (8) submissions were received during the public exhibition period. Under Clause 33A(2) of the EP&A Regulation 2000, a Council is to consider any submissions received from public authorities or the public. The main issues raised included; concerns over proposed non-residential levy amounts, application of levies to schools, timing of payments, complexity of plan, plan commencement and broader economic impacts on development viability. Responses to the issues raised in these submissions are detailed in the body of this report.

The Plan is required to identify a commencement date. Given that it will represent new charges for some developments that are already in the assessment system, and that significant internal work will be required to prepare Council's systems and processes, this report recommends that the new Plan come into force from 1 March 2021.

This report recommends that the draft Plan should be finalised and adopted with minor amendments.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The preparation and public exhibition of the North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan has been funded through the DPIE LEP Acceleration Grant. The Plan identifies \$401 million worth of community infrastructure to be delivered to support residential and employment growth, over the 16-year life of the plan. It is estimated that the Plan will fund approximately \$195.3 million of the cost of these total works. Funding gaps will be considered throughout the 16-year life of the plan through Council's budgeting processes. It is estimated the Plan will provide an average of approximately \$12.2 million per annum of contributions as compared to the current average annual income of almost \$9.9 million.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- **1. THAT** Council note the submissions received and the issues raised following public exhibition of the North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan.
- **2. THAT** Council adopt the North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan, as amended, subject to a commencement date of 1 March 2021 under clause 31(4) of the EP&A Regulation 2000 (Attachment 1).
- **3. THAT** Council publish a public notice on Council's website within 28 days of Councils' decision to adopt the North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan under clause 31 of the EP&A Regulation 2000.
- **4. THAT** Council repeal the existing North Sydney Section 94 Contributions Plan 2013 and place a public notice of intent to repeal the Plan (and reasons for doing so) on Council's website at least 14 days before repealing the plan under clause 32 (2A) of the EP&A Regulation 2000.
- **5. THAT** Council authorise the General Manager to make appropriate amendments to the Plan under s32(3) of the EP&A Regulation 2000 where required to reflect changes to CPI or minor typographical corrections.
- **6. THAT** upon repeal of the former plan, remaining contributions from the repealed Plan be transferred to appropriate accounts under the new plan, generally in accordance with this report.

## LINK TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The relationship with the Community Strategic Plan is as follows:

- 1. Our Living Environment
- 1.2 North Sydney is sustainable and resilient
- 1.4 Public open space and recreation facilities and services meet community needs
- 2. Our Built Infrastructure
- 2.1 Infrastructure and assets meet community needs
- 2.2 Vibrant centres, public domain, villages and streetscapes
- 2.3 Sustainable transport is encouraged
- 3. Our Future Planning
- 3.1 Prosperous and vibrant economy
- 3.2 North Sydney CBD is one of NSW's pre-eminent commercial centres
- 3.4 North Sydney is distinctive with a sense of place and quality design
- 3.5 North Sydney is regulatory compliant
- 4. Our Social Vitality
- 4.1 North Sydney is connected, inclusive, healthy and safe
- 5. Our Civic Leadership
- 5.1 Council leads the strategic direction of North Sydney
- 5.2 Council is well governed and customer focused
- 5.4 Council's service delivery is well supported

# **CONSULTATION REQUIREMENTS**

Community engagement of the North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan was undertaken in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Protocol and Clause 28 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 (EP&A Regs).

### DETAIL

# 1. The North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan

A Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan is a public document developed under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 which sets out Council's policy regime for the assessment, collection, expenditure and administration of local infrastructure contributions. Such plans are required to be consistent with the current NSW legislative framework, to provide for proposed works required by Council and relevant stakeholders and to address the strategic direction of Council.

The North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan ensures the broader North Sydney community is not unreasonably burdened by the provision of local infrastructure required as a result of population growth facilitated by future development. The Plan contains a mix of s 7.11 contributions for new residential and commercial development that has an increased demand on local infrastructure and s 7.12 levies for all other development with a cost greater than \$100,000. This includes alterations and additions to dwelling houses that have not previously attracted a levy. The mix of s 7.11 and s 7.12 mechanisms proposed under the draft Plan provide the best means for Council to respond appropriately to the anticipated growth within the Local Government Area (LGA).

The blended s 7.11/s 7.12 contribution approach proposes rates not dissimilar to other neighbouring Councils, that is, \$13,685 to \$20,000 (capped) per additional dwelling/lot and \$3,893 per additional worker. This 'hybrid' approach provides a more appropriate level of contributions for funding local infrastructure in North Sydney than the former s 94 plan and offers greater flexibility for use of the revenue and application to a range of public facilities. This will enable a funding source for the provision, extension or augmentation of public facilities as specified in the works schedule, within the constraints imposed by the NSW legislation and associated directions.

Attachment 2 includes a summary of details on the applicable rates to different types of development.

### 2. Public Exhibition

The plan was placed on public exhibition from 15 September 2020 to 3 November 2020. The COVID-19 pandemic restricted engagement methods to predominantly online means.

### 2.1 Inform Methods

Council undertook the following methods to 'inform' stakeholders of the opportunity to have a say on the draft Plan:

- Hard copies were made available in Council's Customer Services Centre and the Stanton Library;
- A project page was created on Council's 260 views (included link to Your Say North Sydney site project page);
- Council's 'Your Say' web page enabled online submissions. 501 total views, which included the following:
  - Draft Plan 126 downloads/views;
  - Location Maps 46 downloads/views;
  - Key Facts Infographic 63 downloads/views;
  - o Council Report 24 August 2020 44 downloads/views;
  - o Community Engagement Strategy 8 downloads/views; and
  - FAQs 36 downloads/views.

- Via Council's social media platforms:
  - o Facebook post;
  - O Twitter post (617 impressions, 10 total engagements, 5 link clicks, 2 likes, 2 detail expands, 1 media engagement); and
  - o Instagram post (1,034 reaches, 1,068 impressions, 10 actions taken from this post including 7 profile visits and 3 website clicks, 32 likes, 2 sends, 3 bookmarks).
- Public Notices in the Mosman Daily and North Shore Living;
- Direct letters were sent to over 50 key development industry stakeholders, urban planning consultancies and private schools in the LGA;
- Direct email notifications were sent to over 100 industry specialists;
- Precinct Committees were advised by way of a memorandum and meetings were held;
- Officers from relevant state agencies (DPIE) were advised by email;
- Council eNews October issue;
- Precinct eNews September and October issue; and
- Business eNews October issue.

Further details on web visitation are provided at **Attachment 3**.

### 2.2 Submissions Overview

A total of eight (8) formal written submissions were received during the exhibition period.

- Five (5) submissions were received from (or on behalf of) private schools located in the area. Each of these submissions opposed the levy of private schools.
- One (1) submission was made on behalf of a national lobby group representing property developers and owners.
- One (1) submission was made representing a developer with interest in the Military Rd Corridor. It objected to the increased rates industry wide and pointed out several key issues associated with this.
- One (1) submission was made on behalf of a registered community affordable housing provider partially supportive and partially objecting.

The following table outlines the key issues raised in the submissions:

Issue	Main Concerns / Requests	
1. Defer consideration	Council should defer its decision to adopt the draft plan	
	until recommendations of the Review of Infrastructure	
	Contributions are considered.	
2. Commencement date	Council should offer a phased introduction of the new rates	
	for commercial development over a 2-3 year period.	
3. Exemptions Schedule	Council's decision to provide exemptions from local	
(social & affordable	infrastructure contributions for Affordable Housing or	
housing providers)	Social Housing by a Social Housing Provider is supported.	

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4. Exemptions Schedule (private schools)	Council's decision to levy for private schools is inconsistent with the proposed exempt development standards.
5. Development levies (general)	The plan has gone to great depths to get the most money for council. Council should either apply the s 7.11 or s 7.12 levy not both.
6. Residential rates	Council's residential contribution rates are reasonable and are broadly aligned with rates in other areas within greater Sydney.
7. Non - residential rates	The draft plan presents a significant increase in non-residential rates from the previous plan (30%).
8. Military Rd Corridor will be affected.	The significant increase in non-residential rates will have a detrimental impact on development in areas such as Military Rd, Neutral Bay and Cremorne.
9. Plan too complicated	The plan is too complicated and is going to be difficult to understand.
10. Timing of Payments	Council should consider enabling payment of contributions at issue of an Occupation Certificate.
11. Transitional Arrangements (clause 4.2)	Council should amend Clause 4.2 to exclude any DA lodged prior to the commencement of the plan.
12. Global Pandemic	Consideration of contributions should either be suspended until economic conditions return to normal, or any variation from current rates withheld.
13. Affordable Housing	Council should update the North Sydney Affordable Housing Policy and develop a SEPP 70 Affordable Housing Contributions Program.
14. Works Schedule	The works schedule focusses spending too heavily on the major centres of North Sydney & St Leonards-Crows Nest CBDs at the expense of places such as Neutral Bay and Cremorne.

# 2.3 Detailed Response to Issues Raised During Consultation

# 2.3.1 Defer Consideration

One (1) submission suggested Council defer consideration on the draft plan until recommendations of the Review of Infrastructure Contributions are considered by the NSW Productivity Commissioner. This is expected to be reported to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 24 November 2020.

**Response:** Delivery of the plan is operating separately to the timeframes of the NSW Productivity Commissioner and is an essential deliverable for Council. Council's existing s94 Plan has reached the end of its projected application. This is a key project for Council to deliver in order to update a plan that is 16 years old. The new plan has been developed over the last 18 months with the assistance of the Department of Planning through the LEP Review Grant. Clause 4.5 of the plan enables Council to

review the plan if required by future changes to legislation or particular findings by enquiries such as the NSW Productivity Commission.

**Recommended Action:** That council note this submission request, however, for the reasons outlined above, proceed to adopt the plan.

# 2.3.2 Commencement Date of the Plan

One (1) submission suggested Council should offer a phased introduction of the new rates for commercial development over a 2-3 year period.

**Response:** Clause 31(4) of the EP&A Regulation 2000 enables council to adopt the plan and specify a later date of commencement of the plan. The Plan is proposed to commence on 1 March 2021. The 1 March 2021 commencement date is considered sufficient time for industry to adjust to the new plan and enable council staff enough time to provide guidelines, web material and training in readiness for plan implementation. This will generally enable applications currently in the system, to have the current contributions applied rather than potentially facing unexpected contributions at the time of consent, which were not applicable at the time of lodgement.

**Recommended Action:** Clause 1.1 has been included as a stand-alone clause to provide details on plan commencement date of 1 March 2021.

# 2.3.3 Exemptions Schedule - Affordable Housing Provider

Council's decision to provide exemptions from local infrastructure contributions for Affordable Housing or Social Housing by a Social Housing Provider is supported.

**Response:** Council notes these comments. Council's exemptions schedule is reflective of Department guidelines and Ministerial Directions.

**Recommended Action:** No further action required.

# 2.3.4 Exemptions Schedule – Private Schools

Five (5) submissions raised concerns that private schools are being subject to a levy when government schools, places of public worship and childcare centres run by or on behalf of a charity or not-for-profit organisation are exempt from contributions.

The issues raised were that schools provide significant public benefits to the area in terms of education, employment opportunities and access to facilities (pools and gyms) and are often registered as not-for-profit organisations. In consideration of a development application, Clause 35(6)(b) of SEPP (Educational Establishments and Child Care Facilities) 2017 requires the consent authority to consider whether the development enables facilities to be shared with the community.

One school submission referenced that when Council exhibited its Recreation Needs Study, it expressed commitment to partner with Council to facilitate community use of its gymnasium and swimming pool. It is contended that requiring schools to also pay contributions is double dipping.

**Response:** Exemptions for Government schools were previously established by the then Minister of Education under the Education Act 1990. Private schools are not covered under the Ministerial exemption.

The nature of development at private schools is such that they are likely to be levied based on a percentage of the cost of works based on s 7.12 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. This s 7.12 rate is often lower rate than the s 7.11 rate, however, it can't be subject to legal challenge. Regardless of the argument whether private schools create additional demand on public infrastructure, where the cost of works exceeds the defined s 7.12 threshold, the s 7.12 levy will apply. The s 7.12 levy applies to numerous other local government areas including Willoughby, Mosman, Northern Beaches and Hornsby.

Places of public worship and childcare centres are distinguished from educational establishments through the definitions in the North Sydney LEP 2013. This is a feature of the NSW Standard Instrument Order (2010) and is outside councils' control to change.

Council has no records of any schools in the LGA providing unrestricted public access to pools or gyms. The issue of potential exemption for local infrastructure contributions based on facilitation of community use of facilities can be dealt with at the DA stage.

Zoning provisions in the North Sydney LEP 2013 limit Council granting consent for or requiring full public access to pools or gyms within educational establishments. Most schools in North Sydney are zoned SP2 Infrastructure (Educational Establishment). Development permitted with consent includes "development for the purpose shown on the Land Zoning Map, including any development that is ordinarily incidental or ancillary to development for that purpose". If a school was to seek consent to offer full public use of its facilities, it would be arguable whether such as use is "ancillary" to the development for an educational establishment. Such a use could be considered commercial use. Council is likely unable to approve a commercial use in the SP2 zone (Educational Establishment). However, should individual schools propose to provide public use of its facilities, this can be considered in a future DA as to whether a contribution should be levied.

**Recommended Action:** Schools to be remain subject to s 7.11 and s 7.12 contributions.

### 2.3.5 Development Levies (General)

Two (2) submissions highlighted that the plan has gone to great depths to get the most money for council. Council should either apply a s 7.11 or a s 7.12 method (not both).

**Response:** The dual s 7.11 and s 7.12 approach is considered reasonable for well-established local government areas where both new and existing populations share the benefit of new facilities. This approach provides flexibility in delivery of key council local infrastructure and is consistent with Department guidelines and other councils' approaches to contributions in Sydney.

**Recommended Action:** No further action required.

### 2.3.6 Residential Rates are Reasonable

One (1) submission said that Council's residential contribution rates are reasonable and are broadly aligned with rates in other established areas within Greater Sydney.

**Response:** Noted.

**Recommended Action:** No further action required.

# 2.3.7 Non-residential Rates are Too High

Two (2) submissions highlighted that the draft plan presents a significant increase in non-residential rates from the previous plan (30%).

**Response:** The proposed increase to non-residential rates is reflective of the length of time since the former plan was reviewed. The former North Sydney s94 Contributions Plan was adopted in 2004, then was repealed and re-adopted in 2013 without significant re-evaluation of changing growth projections. As a result, rates were comparably modest.

Increased rates in this plan are reflective of the socio-economic and demographic changes which exist in 2020. The Plan spans a 16-year horizon and rates need to be competitive both now and in 2036. The rate needs to reflect the quantum of infrastructure delivery and forecast population growth and ensuing demand in the North Sydney LGA from 2021 and for the next 16 years to 2036.

The proposed rates are based on industry best practice and have been calculated based on principals of nexus and apportionment. Table 6 of the plan assumed workspace, ratios are based on worker occupancy assumptions in the City of Sydney Development Contributions Plan 2015. The dual s7.11 and s7.12 plan provides flexibility in delivery of council's local infrastructure. Rates and methods employed in this plan are consistent with those in the Greater Sydney Metropolitan area.

**Recommended Action:** No further action required.

# 2.3.8 Areas Outside North Sydney CBD and St Leonards-Crows Nest

One (1) submission stated that the significant increase in non-residential rates will have a detrimental impact on development in areas outside of the North Sydney CBD and St Leonards-Crows Nest, such as Military Rd, Neutral Bay and Cremorne.

**Response:** The purpose of the plan is to ensure, within the constraints imposed by the NSW government, the broader North Sydney community is not unreasonably burdened by the provision of local infrastructure that is required as a result of development.

The plan is based on the North Sydney LGA as one service catchment. The compact spatial extent of the North Sydney LGA (10km²) is such that key regional facilities such as North Sydney Pool and Hume Street Park are generally accessible to the whole NSC population.

The method applied in apportioning the \$401 million works schedule reflects population growth projections. Places such as Neutral Bay and Cremorne will not be contributing any more than what is expected from forecast growth in this area. Demand credits applied for existing non-residential development in lower order centres will ensure that the existing infrastructure demand will be considered when determining the net increase in contributions. In reality, these credits likely significantly reduce any commercial rate payable given the driver of development outside the North Sydney CBD tends to be residential development.

**Recommended Action:** No further action required.

# 2.3.9 Plan Too Complicated

Two (2) submissions suggested that the plan is too complicated and is going to be difficult to understand.

**Response:** Clause 1.4 of the Plan provides a detailed explanation of which type of contribution applies and a flow chart showing the process for determining the type and amount of contributions. Clause 1.5 of the Plan provides an overview on how to calculate a contribution amount. Worked examples illustrate how to levy for various development scenarios. This arises largely from the blended nature of the plan and its comprehensive approach.

**Recommended Action:** It is noted the plan is more complex than the previous plan. Council bears the responsibility for management of the plan. Details of implementation methods available to council to reduce the complexity of the plan are dealt with in section 4 of this report. Additional resourcing can be directed towards Development Contributions to service the additional complexity of the plan. Prior to commencement of the Plan, Council will ensure supplementary material is provided on council's website and ongoing support to assist in the implementation of the plan is provided.

## 2.3.10 Timing of Payments

One (1) submission stated that Council should consider providing greater flexibility regarding the timing of payment of contributions at the issue of an Occupation Certificate.

**Response:** Provisions for timing of payments in clause 3.1 of the plan are consistent with development contributions guidelines for these types of developments. North Sydney council has a very high service provision per capita when compared to other Sydney Metropolitan Councils. Having greater certainty on the timing of the payment of contributions enables Council to maintain timely delivery of local infrastructure projects.

Council notes the EP&A (Local Infrastructure Contributions – Timing of Payments) Direction 2020 of June 2020, which requires councils to temporarily (till 25 March 2021) defer payment of contributions until issue of the first occupation certificate. This direction does not apply to development of less than \$10 million, developments involving subdivision of land, and complying development, which form the majority of its DAs currently under consideration.

**Recommended Action:** No further action required

## 2.3.11 Transitional Arrangements (clause 4.2)

One (1) submission stated that Council should amend this clause to exclude any DA lodged prior to the commencement of the plan.

**Response:** The plan was first reported to Council in August 2020. The commencement date of 1 March 2021 is considered sufficient time for industry to adapt to the changes proposed. At the time of writing this report, Council currently has 126 undetermined DAs under assessment. A reasonable proportion of these DAs will be approved prior to the commencement of the plan.

**Recommended Action:** No further action required.

# 2.3.12 Global Pandemic

One (1) submission stated that given the significant economic impact of COVID-19, consideration of contributions should either be suspended until economic conditions return to normal, or any variation from current contribution rates be withheld.

**Response:** The economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic are not considered sufficient to delay delivery of the Plan. Council is able to adopt the plan and monitor the economic conditions and revisit this matter in future if appropriate.

**Recommended Action:** No further action required.

## 2.3.13 Affordable Housing

One (1) submission recommended Council update the North Sydney Affordable Housing Policy and develop SEPP 70 Affordable Housing Contributions Program, at the upper end of the GSC Affordable Housing targets (10% of new residential floor space) to meet growing need.

**Response:** Council notes these comments. The implementation of the Affordable Housing Contributions Program is beyond the scope of this report.

**Recommended Action:** This matter will be dealt with through other means including, in due course, the preparation of an Affordable Housing Contributions Scheme.

### 2.3.14 Works Schedule

One (1) submission suggested the works schedule focusses spending on the major centres of North Sydney and St Leonards and neglects centres such as Neutral Bay and Cremorne.

**Response:** The works schedule includes over \$401 million worth of open space and recreation facilities, public domain facilities, community facilities, and active transport throughout the LGA.

The works schedule is informed by Council strategies which have each undertaken a comprehensive exhibition process and reflect community input and input from precinct committees. Spending is focussed in the key CBD areas where the demand for infrastructure is highest and then distributed equitably across the LGA.

Many items, such as playgrounds, public amenity upgrades, bushwalking upgrades and storage facility upgrades are in peripheral areas of the LGA. Demand ratios in Table 16 of the Plan ensure the certain facilities are apportioned appropriately. Ongoing monitoring and review of the works schedule will ensure an appropriate framework for the efficient and equitable management of development contributions in the LGA.

**Recommended Action:** No changes to the plan are recommended. The plan and works schedule will require ongoing review.

# 3. Post Exhibition Amendments to the Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan

Following the exhibition of the Plan and after considering submissions, under Clause 31(1) of the EP&A Regulation 2000, Council may either:

- a. approve the plan in the form it was publicly exhibited, or
- b. approve the plan with such alterations as the council thinks fit, or

c. decide not to proceed with the plan.

It is recommended Council adopt the plan with the minor alterations as recommended by this report. Changes include:

- Commencement date of the plan to be 1 March 2021;
- Added clarification surrounding what is a not-for-profit-organisation.

### 3.1 Clause 1.1 - Commencement Date of the Plan

It is proposed that the plan commence on 1 March 2021. It is envisaged this will provide sufficient time for current DAs to be determined under Council's former plan, and sufficient time for the community to adjust to the plan, and sufficient time for Council to implement new procedures and training.

Council can adopt the plan and specify a later date for it to come into effect (Clause 31(4) of the EP&A Regulation 2000). Clause 1.1 of the Plan has been modified to specify that the plan commences on the date on which public notice is given under clause 31(2) of the EP&A Regulation 2000.

It is noted that this causes a minor change in the numbering of the plan. Clause 1.2 has been separated from clause 1.1, as a minor formatting change, to enable a better layout and easier readability of the plan. This has a flow on effect to the numbering of section 1 of the plan.

# 3.2 Charity or Not-for-profit Organisations - Clause 1.3.2

This report recommends clause 1.3.2 (formerly clause 1.2.2) be amended to clarify the definition of a charity or not-for-profit organisation.

A footnote has been included on page 7 of the plan, in order to clarify this is an organisation registered with the Australian Charities and not-for-profits commission. This doesn't have an impact on whether private schools are subject to the plan, as this clause only applies to places of public worship and childcare centres.

# 4. Next Steps

# 4.1 Implementation

Pending Council's endorsement of the North Sydney Local Infrastructure Plan, Council will implement the plan as follows:

- Repeal existing North Sydney s94 Contributions Plan;
- Place a Notice on Council's website advising the repeal of the existing Plan and the adoption of the new Plan;
- Transferal of unspent contributions from the previous Plan;

- Streamlining delivery of the Plan;
- Create an appropriate accounting system to implement the new Plan; and
- Undertake ongoing monitoring, maintenance and review of the Plan.

# 4.1.1 Repeal Existing North Sydney s94 Contributions Plan

Clause 32(2) of the EP&A Regulation 2000 state that a council may repeal a contributions plan by a subsequent contributions plan. Council's existing North Sydney s94 Contributions Plan was first adopted on 5 February 2004, with a 10-year timeframe. It was then repealed and re-adopted on 20 June 2013 without significant evaluation of the changing demographic, development and growth projections. The plan is a nexus-based plan, which levies new development resulting in direct increased demand for that infrastructure. The plan's projected capacity has been reached and therefore it is an appropriate time to repeal it.

The North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan has provisions in clause 4.1, to repeal the existing North Sydney s94 Contributions Plan. It is proposed the former plan be repealed on the date that the North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan comes into effect.

### 4.1.2 Notice on Council's Website

Clause 32(2A) of the EP&A Regulation 2000 require Council to publish a notice of its intention to repeal the 2013 Section 94 plan, the date it intends to repeal the plan and its reasons for the repeal on its website, at least 14 days before repealing a contributions plan. Should Council agree to repeal the 2013 Section 94 Plan at the adoption of the new Plan on 1 March 2021, this notice will be uploaded on the website by mid-March.

Council is required to publish notice of adoption of a new Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan on Council's website within 28 days after making the decision under clause 31(2) of the EP&A Regulation 2000. Should council resolve to adopt the Plan at the meeting on 30 November 2020, this notice will be uploaded within 28 days.

# **4.1.3** Existing Contribution Reserves

Upon adoption of the new Plan, funds will need to be pooled and transferred from the old plan to the new Plan. The old plan will continue to receive contributions for the next 5 years due to former development consents being active (s4.53 EP&A Act), however there will be a shortage of funds in the new plan due to the time lag in new consents being activated.

The transferal or rolling over of unspent funds from the 2013 Section 94 Development Contributions Plan Reserve into the new s7.11/s7.12 plan, will enable Council to continue to deliver its works program in a timely manner and provide facilities to the community without having to wait till the maturity of the plan. This will be done in accordance with the below table:

Purpose	Amount in Reserve (Nov 2020)	Roll Over?	New Account
Administration	\$806,116	Yes	Plan Administration 2020
Affordable Housing	\$1,202,845	No	Funds to administered as per report to Council by Community Services on 28/9/20 (item 8.6)
Child Care	\$1,890,686	Yes	Community Facilities 2020
Community Centres	(\$374,781)	Yes	Community Facilities 2020
Library Acquisitions	\$170,988	Yes	Community Facilities 2020
Library Premises & Equipment	(\$18,537)	Yes	Community Facilities 2020
Multi Use Indoor Sports Facility	\$126,253	Yes	Open Space and Recreation 2020
Olympic Pool	(\$320,709)	Yes	Open Space and Recreation 2020
Open Space Acquisition	\$10,604,564	Yes	Open Space and Recreation 2020
Open Space Increased Capacity	(\$9,595,729)	Yes	Open Space and Recreation 2020
Public Domain Improvement - North Sydney	\$3,561,453	Yes	Public Domain 2020
Public Domain Improvement - St Leonards	\$854,352	Yes	Public Domain 2020
Public Domain Improvement - Other	\$522,597	Yes	Public Domain 2020
S94 2004 - Traffic Improvements	\$53,220	Yes	Active Transport 2020
S94 2004 - Total	\$9,483,318		

<sup>\*</sup>Negative balances are bracketed, i.e. currently over-drawn, representing informal rollovers which are currently happening on an as-needs basis.

Statutory requirements regarding pooling of surplus funds are found in the EP&A Act and EP&A Regulation 2000:

• On 18 May 2020, the Environmental Planning and Assessment (Local Infrastructure Contributions – Pooling of Contributions) Ministerial direction was gazetted under s 7.17 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. This direction prescribed that if a local council holds monetary contributions that have been paid for different purposes under s 7.11 or s 7.12 of EP&A Act, including for purposes identified in more than one contributions plan, the council is to endeavour to pool those contributions and apply them progressively, in order to facilitate the provision of the public amenities and public services to which any of those contributions plans relate. This direction is reiterated in s7.3 of the EP&A Act.

- Clause 27(1)(i) of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires that if the plan authorises monetary s 7.11 contributions or s 7.12 levies paid for different purposes to be pooled and applied progressively for those purposes, the priorities for the expenditure of the contributions or levies, be particularised by reference to the works schedule.
- Clause 27(3) of the EP&A Regulation 2000 allows pooling of funds where the consent authority is satisfied the infrastructure will be delivered in a reasonable time.
- Clause 4.3 of the Plan authorises monetary contributions paid for different purposes in accordance with development consent conditions and any other contributions plan in effect in the North Sydney LGA to be paid and applied progressively for those purposes.
- Clause 35(2ba) of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires accounting records to indicate in respect of s 7.11 contributions or s 7.12 levies paid for different purposes.
- After adoption of the draft plan, Council will need to cease collecting for past accounts which have now been spent, then roll over past funds.

# 4.1.4 Streamlining Plan Delivery

The new Plan has been developed to reasonably generate the most revenue possible for council. It includes a series of formulas, is broader in scope, requires additional calculations and is more complex to implement than the previous plan. Numerous transactions and enquiries are expected to pass through the system each year. Council carries the responsibility for plan management and implementation.

Council has the option of initiating measures to streamline and simplify the functions of the plan. Options include a range of material and guidelines on its website and an online calculator, to provide a user-friendly web interface, which officers of council, developers and certifiers can use.

# 4.1.5 Accounting Systems to Implement Plan

Clause 35(1) of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires Council to maintain accounting records that allow monetary s 7.11 contributions, s 7.12 levies and any additional amounts accrued to be distinguished from other money held by Council. Upon adoption of the plan, Council will be required to set up an appropriate account for collection of s 7.12 funds. This will occur prior to commencement of the plan noting that time is required to set up internal accounting systems.

# 4.1.6 Ongoing Implementation and Review of the Plan

Once adopted, Council is required to manage, monitor and maintain the plan:

• Clause 33A of the EP&A Regulation 2000, requires Council to keep a contributions plan under review and, if a date by which a plan is to be reviewed is stated in it, is to review the plan by that date.

- Clause 4.5 of the Plan specifies that the Plan will be reviewed after five (5) years following the date of adoption. Council may review the plan prior to that time if required by changes to planning instruments, legislation or development conditions.
- Clause 32(3) of the EP&A Regulation 2000 specifies that a council may make changes to the rates of s 7.11 monetary contributions set out in the plan to reflect CPI, or to index figures. Council can also make minor typographical corrections, or the omission of details concerning works that have been completed, without the need to prepare a new contributions plan.

### 5. Conclusion

The North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan has been developed and exhibited in accordance with the EP&A Act 1979 and EP&A Regulation 2000 2000, the NSW Planning & Environment Local Infrastructure Contributions Practice Note (January 2019), the Development of Infrastructure Planning and Natural Resources Contributions Practice Notes (July 2005).

The combination of s 7.11 and s 7.12 mechanisms under the Plan enables Council to respond appropriately to the anticipated growth within the LGA and this method of infrastructure recoupment proposed under the Plan are not dissimilar to neighbouring Councils.

It is recommended that Council adopt the North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan (Attachment 1) and repeal the existing North Sydney s94 Contributions Plan subject to the minor post-exhibition changes explained in this report and implement the plan with consideration of the matters outlined herein.

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# Glossary of terms and abbreviations

Words and phrases used in this plan have the same meaning as the terms defined in the North Sydney Local Environment Plan 2013 and the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979, except as provided for below.

In this plan, the following words and phrases have the following meanings:

Affordable housing has the same meaning as in the EP&A Act.

Bedroom means any room or space within a dwelling capable of being used as or converted to a bedroom.

CDC means complying development certificate.

Consent authority has the same meaning as in the EP&A Act but also includes an accredited certifier responsible for issuing a complying development certificate.

Council means North Sydney Council.

EP&A Act means the NSW Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979.

EP&A Regulation means the NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000.

LGA means local government area.

Local infrastructure means public amenities and public services that are traditionally the responsibility of local government, excluding water supply or sewerage services.

Social housing provider has the same meaning as in the State Environmental Planning Policy (Affordable Rental Housing) 2009

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# **Plan Summary**

# **Summary of contribution rates**

The contribution rates that apply to developments are as shown in **Tables 1, 2** and **3** below.

Table 1 s 7.11 contribution rates for residential development

Infrastructure item	Per resident*	Per 0 or 1 bed dwelling, secondary dwelling or boarding house rooms	Per self- contained seniors housing dwelling	Per 2 bed secondary dwelling	Per 2 bed dwelling	Per 3 or more bed dwelling
Open Space and Recreation facilities	\$5,382	\$7,535	\$7,535	\$7,535	\$10,765	\$11,013
Public Domain	\$2,996	\$4,194	\$4,194	\$4,194	\$5,992	\$6,130
Active Transport	\$171	\$239	\$239	\$239	\$342	\$350
Community facilities	\$1,081	\$1,514	\$1,514	\$1,514	\$2,162	\$2,212
Plan administration and management	\$144	\$202	\$202	\$202	\$289	\$296
Total	\$9,775	\$13,685	\$13,685	\$13,685	\$19,550	\$20,000**

<sup>\*</sup> the per resident rate is relevant to calculating the contributions for group homes and hostels

Important Note: At the time this plan was prepared, consent authorities could not impose a monetary contribution on a residential development that exceeded \$20,000 per lot or dwelling. This restriction is due to a direction made by the Minister for Planning on 17 July 2017.

Table 2 s 7.11 contribution rates for non-residential development

Infrastructure item	Per worker
Open space and recreation facilities	\$926
Public Domain	\$2,576
Active Transport	\$147
Community facilities	\$186
Plan administration and management	\$58
Total	\$3,893

<sup>\*\*</sup>capped at \$20,000 as per Minister's Direction

Table 3 s 7.12 levy rates

Development type*	Levy rate <sup>a</sup>
Development that has a proposed cost of carrying out the development:	
• up to and including \$100,000	Nil
• more than \$100,000 and up to and including \$200,000	0.5% of that cost
• more than \$200,000	1% of that cost

#### Notes:

- a The levy rate applies to the whole of the proposed cost of development
- \* Note exempted developments in section 1.2.2 and how to calculate the proposed cost of carrying out the development in section 2.3.1

#### Plan overview

The North Sydney Local Government Area (LGA) is expected to accommodate 11,902 additional residents and 16,746 additional workers by 2036. This population growth will create demand for new and upgraded local infrastructure, including open space and recreation facilities, community facilities, public domain and active transport.

The contributions of land, works and money from the developers of land in the North Sydney LGA will be a key source funding for this infrastructure.

Sections 7.11 and 7.12 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979 (EP&A Act) authorises councils and other consent authorities to require contributions of land or money from developments toward the provision, extension or augmentation of local infrastructure.

The local infrastructure to be provided by contributions from developers received under this plan is listed below:

- Open space and recreation land and works including playing fields, amenities buildings, playgrounds, landscaping, seating, lighting and equipment, walking trails, indoor sports and aquatic recreation centres.
- Community facilities including library book stock and childcare places.
- Public domain facilities including footpath paving, street tree planting, bus shelters and street lighting.
- Active transport including shared pedestrian paths and cycleways.

The costs of administering this plan will also be met by contributions imposed under this plan.

A summary of the costs of the local infrastructure included in this plan is shown in Table 4. Contributions anticipated to be made under this plan will fund only a portion of these costs.

More details on the demand for local infrastructure, the relationship of the local infrastructure with the expected development, and specific facilities to be provided are included in Appendices A and B to this plan.

Table 4 Summary of future infrastructure costs

Type of local infrastructure	Total cost of works
Open space and recreation facilities	\$192,284,950
Public domain facilities	\$163,355,351
Active transport	\$17,724,266
Community facilities	\$25,511,550
Plan administration and management	\$2,135,384
Total	\$401,011,501

This plan's primary purpose is to authorise North Sydney Council (Council), a planning panel or an accredited certifier to impose conditions on development consents or complying development certificates (CDCs) requiring section 7.11 (s 7.11) contributions or section 7.12 (s 7.12) fixed rate levies from development to which the plan applies.

The contributions that are made by developers will be applied by the Council to deliver the schedule of infrastructure land and works shown in Appendix B to this plan.

This plan has been prepared in accordance with the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979 (EP&A Act) and Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 (EP&A Regulation); and having regard to practice notes issued by the NSW Department of Planning and Environment.

This plan has been broken up into the following sections to allow easy navigation by Council staff, developers and private certifiers. A brief description of each section is provided below:

### Section 1 – Is a contribution required and how is it calculated?

This section describes the types of developments required to make contributions, developments that are exempt from making contributions and provides a flow chart to determine if a development will be required to make contributions and what type of contribution that will be. To aid understanding, the section also provides worked examples on the calculation of contribution amounts for a selection of developments.

#### Section 2 – How is a contribution imposed on a development?

This section explains how conditions of consent will be used to require contributions and levies, and the way in which contribution rates will be adjusted over time to reflect changes in infrastructure costs. It also describes accredited certifiers' obligations to address the requirements of this plan in the issuing of construction certificates and CDCs.

### Section 3 – How and when a contribution requirement can be settled?

This section explains how contribution amounts are adjusted over time, how consent conditions requiring the payment of contributions can be settled, typically by cash payment. It also provides Council's requirements for considering alternative means to satisfy contribution requirements under this plan, such as using works-in-kind agreements.

### **Section 4 – Other administration matters**

This section outlines other administrative arrangements applying to the operation of this plan.

# **Appendices**

Appendix A includes a discussion on the demand for local infrastructure and how the s 7.11 contribution rates have been derived.

Appendix B contains the schedule and location maps of the local infrastructure that is to be delivered under the plan.

Appendix C includes cost summary reports to be used for s 7.12 development cost assessments.

# 1 Is a contribution required and how is it calculated?

### 1.1 Name and commencement of plan

This plan is called North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan 2020.

This plan commences on the date on which public notice was given under clause 31(2) of the EP&A Regulation or the date specified in that notice if it is a different date.

### 1.2 What are the purposes of this plan?

The main purpose of this plan is to authorise:

- the consent authority, when granting consent to an application to carry out development to which this plan applies; or
- the Council or an accredited certifier, when issuing a CDC for development to which this plan applies,

to require either a contribution (under s 7.11 of the EP&A Act) or a fixed development levy (under s 7.12 of the EP&A Act) to be made towards the provision, extension or augmentation of local infrastructure required as a consequence of development in the North Sydney LGA, or infrastructure that has been provided in anticipation of, or to facilitate, such development.

Other purposes of this plan are as follows:

- To provide a framework for the efficient and equitable determination, collection and management of development contributions in the North Sydney LGA.
- To establish the relationship between the expected development and proposed local infrastructure to demonstrate that the s 7.11 contributions required under this plan are reasonable.
- To ensure, within the constraints imposed by the NSW government, that the broader North Sydney community is not unreasonably burdened by the provision of local infrastructure that is required as a result of development.

### 1.3 What land and development does this plan apply to?

### 1.3.1 Land

This plan applies to all land located in the North Sydney LGA, including marine structures extending from the shoreline. Refer to Figure 1.



Source: North Sydney Council LEP

Figure 1 North Sydney Local Government Area

## 1.3.2 What development is exempted from contributions or levies?

This plan does not apply to the following types of developments:

- Development exempted from s 7.11 contributions or s 7.12 levies¹ by way of a direction made by the Minister for Planning. Copies of the current directions are available to download from the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment website.
- Development with the cost of \$100,000 or less (except *secondary dwellings* which have a net increase in residents on the land as per s1.2.3(a) of this plan).
- Development associated with providing infrastructure funded by s 7.11 contributions or s 7.12 levies.
- Development where a contribution has previously been paid for the same development at the subdivision stage under a predecessor plan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> or the corresponding sections 94 and 94A of the EP&A Act that existed immediately before the commencement of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment Act 2017

- Places of public worship and childcare centres by or on behalf of a charity or not-for-profit organisation.<sup>2</sup>
- Affordable housing or social housing by a social housing provider<sup>3</sup>.
- Government schools.<sup>4</sup>
- Development proposed by or on behalf of the Council for the provision of public infrastructure.

## 1.3.3 Development affected by the plan-

This plan applies to the following development types:

- (a) Residential accommodation development that would result in a net increase in residents on the land (Type (a) development);
- (b) Non-residential development that would result in a net increase in workers on the land (Type (b) development);
- (c) Development types apart from (a) or (b) where the proposed cost of development is more than \$100,000. (Type (c) development).

## 1.4 Which type of contribution applies?

Development that is subject to this plan will be levied either a s 7.11 contribution or a s 7.12 levy.

The type of contribution that applies to the development will be determined as follows:

- Type (a) developments will be subject to condition requiring a s 7.11 contribution.
- Type (b) developments will be subject to a condition requiring a contribution imposed under either s 7.11 or s 7.12 of the EP&A Act. The type of contribution method to apply to the development is discussed below.
- Type (c) developments will be subject to a condition requiring the payment of a levy under s 7.12 of the EP&A Act.

# Type (b) developments and mixed-use developments

In the case of:

- Type (b) developments; or
- developments that comprise a combination of some or all of type (a), (b) and (c) developments (i.e. mixed-use developments),

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> As registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission, documentation or proof will need to be provided <sup>3</sup> Affordable housing has the same meaning as in the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. Social housing provider has the same meaning as in *State Environmental Planning Policy (Affordable Rental Housing)* 2009. Examples are the Department of Human Services, the Land and Housing Corporation, a registered community housing provider, the Aboriginal Housing Office, and not-for-profit organisations that directly provide rental housing. If the development is mixed use, only the affordable housing/social housing component will be excluded.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Established under the Education Act 1990 by the Minister for Education

the following procedure shall be followed to determine the type of contribution and the amount of the contribution:

- if application of a s 7.12 levy to the whole development yields a higher contribution amount than application of a s 7.11 contribution to the whole development, then a s 7.12 levy calculated on the whole development shall be imposed; or
- if application of a s 7.12 levy to the whole development yields a lower contribution amount than application of a s 7.11 contribution on the whole development, then a s 7.11 contribution shall be imposed.

### Process for determining the type and amount of contribution

Figure 2 shows the process for determining if a contribution and what type of contribution applies to development under this plan.

Refer to Tables 1, 2 and 3 of this plan for the rates that apply to different development types.

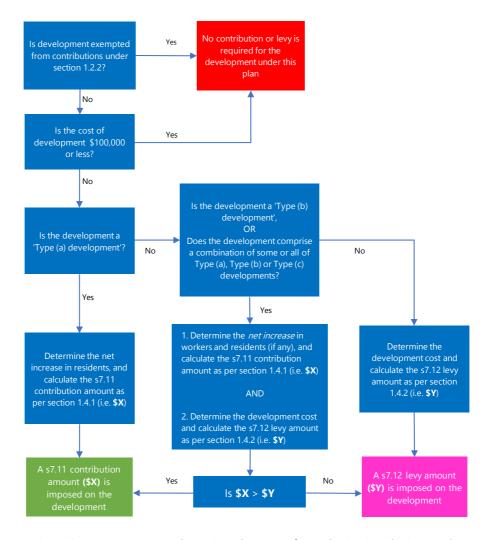


Figure 2 Process to determine what type of contribution is to be imposed

### 1.5 How to calculate a contribution amount

Any single development can only be the subject of either a s 7.11 contribution or a s 7.12 levy, not both.

# 1.5.1 Calculating a s 7.11 contribution

s 7.11 contributions will be calculated according to the estimated net increase in infrastructure demand that a development is deemed to generate.

The s 7.11 contributions that apply to the development is calculated using the rates shown in Table 1 and Table 2, <u>less any allowances or credits for assumed infrastructure demand arising from existing developments</u>, if applicable.

### Contribution demand credits for existing residential developments

For development sites that contain existing residential development or that have been subdivided for residential development, a credit for the existing infrastructure demand (based on the assumed existing population) relating to the development or site will be applied for the purpose of determining the net increase in population. The credit applied will be based on the rates cited in Table 5.

Table 5 Assumed occupancy rates for calculation of contributions and demand credits

Development type	Assumed occupancy rate
Residential accommodation	
Dwellings with 3 or more bedrooms, or vacant allotments that have a dwelling entitlement	2.6 persons per dwelling
Dwellings with 2 bedrooms	2.0 persons per dwelling
Secondary dwellings (1 bedroom), bed-sitters, and one-bedroom dwellings	1.4 persons per dwelling
Secondary dwellings (2 bedroom) and self-contained seniors housing dwellings	1.4 persons per dwelling
Boarding houses	1.4 persons per room
Group homes and hostels	1 person per bed

## Demand credits for existing non-residential development

For development sites that contain existing non-residential development, a credit for the existing infrastructure demand (based on the assumed existing workers) relating to the development site will be applied for the purpose of determining the net increase of workers. The credits applied for non-residential developments will be based on the non-residential workspace ratios cited in Table 6.

Table 6 Assumed workspace ratios for calculating contributions and demand credits

Non-residential development type	Assumed workspace ratio
Business premises	1 worker per 35m <sup>2</sup> GFA
Bulky goods premises	1 worker per 126m² GFA
Childcare centre	1 worker per 38m <sup>2</sup> GFA
Educational establishment – schools	1 worker per 94m <sup>2</sup> GFA
Entertainment facility – including cinemas and theatres	1 worker per 130m <sup>2</sup> GFA
Food and drink premises – pubs, nightclubs and bars	1 worker per 45m <sup>2</sup> GFA
Food and drink premises – restaurants, cafes and take away premises	1 worker per 21m <sup>2</sup> GFA
Food and drink premises – small bars	1 worker per 30m² GFA
Function centres	1 worker per 119m² GFA
General industry	1 worker per 61m <sup>2</sup> GFA
Health services facility – hospitals	1 worker per 39m <sup>2</sup> GFA
Health services facility – medical centres, health consulting rooms	1 worker per 43m <sup>2</sup> GFA
Heavy industry – including hazardous and offensive	1 worker per 106m² GFA
Kiosks	1 worker per 26m² GFA
Light industry – including home industry and high technology	1 worker per 38m <sup>2</sup> GFA
Office premises – building up to and including 3 storeys	1 worker per 33m <sup>2</sup> GFA
Office premises – building with 4 or more storeys	1 worker per 21m <sup>2</sup> GFA
Registered club	1 worker per 132m <sup>2</sup> GFA
Sex services premises – including brothels	1 worker per 28m <sup>2</sup> GFA
Shops – neighbourhood shops, excluding supermarkets	1 worker per 57m <sup>2</sup> GFA
Shops – supermarkets/grocery stores	1 worker per 46m <sup>2</sup> GFA
Tertiary institutions – TAFE and private colleges	1 worker per 58m² GFA
Tertiary institutions – universities	1 worker per 40m <sup>2</sup> GFA
Tourist accommodation – hotels	0.4 workers per room
Tourist accommodation – other	0.1 workers per room
Vehicle sales or hire premises	1 worker per 88m² GFA

Source: Worker occupancy assumptions in the City of Sydney Development Contributions Plan 2015.

### Determination of the net increase in demand for infrastructure

To calculate the net increase in demand it will be necessary to determine the difference between the demand created by the new development and the demand from the existing development.

Net increase in demand is calculated as follows:

Assumed new residents – Assumed existing residents = Net increase in residents

Assumed new workers – Assumed existing workers = Net increase in workers

The occupancy rates in Tables 5 and 6 will be the basis for determining the existing, new and net increase in residents and workers.

The DA or CDC will include details on the existing development to allow for the net increase in demand to be calculated.

In the case of residential development, the assumed existing resident population will be based on the number of bedrooms.

In the case of non-residential developments, the existing worker population will be based upon the amount of floorspace by use e.g. business premises, shops, retail etc. If the floorspace use is not identified, then all floorspace will be assumed as business premises (1 worker per 35m<sup>2</sup> GFA).

### **Determining the s 7.11 contribution amount**

The following formula will be used to determine the s 7.11 contribution amount for a development.

### 1.5.2 Calculating a s 7.12 fixed development consent levy

The total levy amount that is imposed on any individual development is calculated by multiplying the applicable contribution rate in Table 3 by the proposed cost of the development.

There is no allowance for assumed existing infrastructure demand in the calculation of any s 7.12 levy.

### 1.5.3 Worked examples

### Worked example 1:

A proposed shop top housing development in North Sydney involves the demolition of  $500m^2$  of existing GFA office space in a two-storey building and construction of a mixed-use development containing  $30 \times 3$ -bedroom apartments and  $300m^2$  of ground floor retail GFA.

Net increase in residents		
30 x 3 bedroom dwellings	=	30 x 2.6 persons per dwelling 78 persons
	= = =	\$9,775 per person x 78 persons \$762,450 for 30 dwellings (or \$25,415 per dwelling) This is above the cap of \$20,000 per dwelling $$20,000 \times 30 = $600,000$
Net increase in workers		
300m² retail shops GFA <u>less</u> 500m² office space GFA demand credit	=	5.36 workers (based on 1 worker per 57m <sup>2</sup> in Table 6) -15.15 workers (based on 1 worker per 33m <sup>2</sup> in Table 6) -9.79 workers (rounded to – 10 workers)
Non-residential contribution	=	-10 workers x \$3,893 = -\$38,930
Total contribution	=	\$600,000 - \$38,930 = \$561,070

# Worked example 2:

A proposed residential flat building development in Neutral Bay involves the demolition of a 10 x 2 bedroom apartment building and  $200m^2$  of retail (shops) space on a single allotment of land and construction of a new building containing 5 x 3 bedroom apartments, 20 x 2 bedroom apartments and 10 x 1 bedroom apartments.

Net increase in residents		
5 x 3 bedroom dwellings	=	5 x 2.6 persons per dwelling = 13 persons
20 x 2 bedroom dwellings	=	20 x 2.0 persons per dwelling = 40 persons
10 x 1 bedroom dwellings	=	10 x 1.4 persons per dwelling = 14 persons
less 10 x 2 bedroom dwellings	=	10 x 2.0 persons per dwelling = 20 persons
		47 persons
		\$9,775 x 47 persons
	=	\$459,425 for 35 dwellings (or \$13,126 per dwelling)

Net increase in workers		
less 200m <sup>2</sup> of retail shops GFA	=	-3.50 workers (based on 1 worker per 57m² in Table 6 and rounded to 4 workers)
Non-residential contribution	=	-4 x \$3,893 = -\$15,572
Total contribution	=	\$459,425 - \$15,572 = \$443,853

### Worked example 3:

A proposed commercial office development in North Sydney involves the demolition of the existing 12 storey commercial tower with ground floor retail and basement parking. The development will increase the floorspace by 24,200m<sup>2</sup> and has an estimated development cost of \$220 million.

Because the proposed development involves a Type (b) development, a calculation of both the s 7.11 contribution and the s 7.12 levy must first be undertaken.

Estimate 1: s 7.11 calculation

Additional floorspace 24,200m <sup>2</sup>	=	24,400/21 (refer to Table 6) = 1,162 workers
	=	1,162 x \$3,893 (refer to Table 2)
Total contribution	=	\$4,523,666

Estimate 2: s 7.12 calculation

\$220 million x 1%	=	\$2,200,000 (refer to Table 3)
Total contribution	=	\$2,200,000

In this case, a s 7.11 contribution would be applied as the condition of consent because the amount is greater than the s 7.12 levy.

### Worked example 4:

A proposed mixed-use development in North Sydney involves the demolition of the existing 10 storey commercial tower (8,000m<sup>2</sup> office space), ground floor retail (350m<sup>2</sup>) and basement parking. The new development will provide, 45 x 3 bedroom apartments, 5,000m<sup>2</sup> of office floorspace and a 250m<sup>2</sup> ground floor restaurant. It has an estimated development cost of \$220 million.

Because the proposed development involves a mix of Type (a) and Type (b) developments, a calculation of both the s 7.11 contribution and the s 7.12 levy must first be undertaken.

Estimate 1: s 7.11 calculation

Net increase in residents		
45 x 3 bedroom dwellings	=	45 x 2.6 persons per dwelling = 117 persons
	=	\$9,775 per person x 117 persons
		\$1,143,675 for 45 dwellings (or \$25,415 per dwelling)
		This is above the cap of \$20,000 per dwelling
	=	\$20,000 x 45 = \$900,000
Net increase in workers		
5,000m <sup>2</sup> office GFA	=	238.09 workers (based on 1 worker per 21m² in Table 6)
250m² restaurant GFA	=	11.90 workers (based on 1 worker per 21m <sup>2</sup> in Table 6)
less 8,000m <sup>2</sup> office GFA demand credit	=	-380.95 workers (based on 1 worker per 21m <sup>2</sup> in Table 6)
less 350m² retail GFA demand credit	=	-6.14 workers (based on 1 worker per 57m² in Table 6)
	=	-137.10 workers (rounded to -137 workers)
Non-residential contribution	=	-137 x \$3,893 = -\$533,341
Total contribution	=	\$900,000 - \$533,341 = \$366,659

Estimate 2: s 7.12 calculation

\$220 million x 1%	=	\$2,200,000 (refer to Table 3)
Total contribution	=	\$2,200,000

In this case, a s 7.12 contribution would be applied as the condition of consent.

# Worked example 5:

A development application proposes to reconfigure the existing commercial office floorspace, replace the elevators and upgrade the dated external facade of a building at St Leonards. No additional floorspace is proposed and the applicant has advised the floorspace will continue to be used for offices. The proposed cost of the works is \$25,000,000.

\$25 million x 1%	=	\$250,000 (refer to Table 3)
Total contribution	=	\$250,000

# Worked example 6:

A proposed dwelling renovation in Cremorne involves the demolition of part of the dwelling and the construction of an extension, a pool and landscaping with a construction cost of \$2 million.

\$2 million x 1%	=	\$20,000 (refer to Table 3)
Total contribution	=	\$20,000

# 2 How is a contribution imposed on a development?

# 2.1 Monetary contributions

This plan authorises the Council or an accredited certifier, when determining an application for development or an application for a CDC, and subject to other provisions of this plan, to impose a condition requiring either a contribution under s 7.11 or a levy under 7.12 of the EP&A Act on that approval for:

- the provision, extension or augmentation of local infrastructure to be provided by Council;
   and
- the recoupment of the previous costs incurred by Council in providing existing local infrastructure.

A s 7.12 levy cannot be required in relation to development if a s 7.11 contribution is required in relation to that development.

The types of development subject to either a contribution or levy, and the contribution or levy rates applying to different development types, are identified in section 1.3, Table 1, Table 2 and Table 3 of this plan.

Accredited certifiers should also refer to section 2.4 of this plan as to their obligations in assessing and determining applications.

### 2.2 s 7.11 contributions

This section of the plan applies only in respect to the calculation of s 7.11 contributions for individual developments.

### 2.2.1 Land contributions

This plan authorises the consent authority, other than an accredited certifier<sup>5</sup>, when granting consent to an application to carry out development to which this plan applies, to impose a condition under s 7.11(1) of the EP&A Act requiring the dedication of land free of cost to Council for the provision, extension or augmentation of local infrastructure to be provided by Council.

Wherever land required under this plan is situated within a development site, the consent authority will generally require the developer of that land to dedicate the land required under this plan free of cost.

# 2.2.2 Cap on monetary s 7.11 contributions for residential development

The Minister for Planning has issued a Direction to Council that caps s 7.11 contributions (or s94 as it was formerly known) for residential development in North Sydney LGA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Note: the EP&A Act does not allow an accredited certifier other than a Council to impose a condition requiring the dedication of land free of cost.

### The Direction requires that:

A council (or planning panel) must not grant development consent ... subject to a condition under section 94 (1) or (3) of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979 requiring the payment of a monetary contribution that:

(a) in the case of a development consent that authorises one or more dwellings, exceeds \$20,000 for each dwelling authorised by the consent, or

(b) in the case of a development consent that authorises subdivision into residential lots, exceeds \$20,000 for each residential lot authorised to be created by the development consent.

Consistent with the Direction, consent authorities (including accredited certifiers) shall not issue a DA consent or a CDC that requires the applicant to pay a total monetary contribution amount that exceeds \$20,000 for each dwelling or lot.

# 2.2.3 Adjustment to contribution rates

To ensure that the value of contributions for the construction and delivery of infrastructure is not eroded over time by inflation or significant changes in land values, this plan authorises that s 7.11 contribution rates will be adjusted over time without the necessity of preparing a new or amending contributions plan.

Council will make changes to the s 7.11 contribution rates set out in this plan to reflect quarterly movements in the Consumer Price Index (All Groups Index) for Sydney, as published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

# 2.2.4 Latest rates to be used

The s 7.11 contribution imposed on a development will reflect the latest, indexed contribution rates authorised by this plan. The latest contribution rates will be published on the Council's website.

The monetary s 7.11 contribution rates shown in Table 1 and Table 2 reflect the contribution rates at the date that this plan commenced.

Regardless of the above, the maximum contribution for residential development shall not exceed \$20,000 per lot or dwelling, as per the Minister's direction.

# 2.3 s 7.12 fixed development consent levies

This section of the plan applies only in respect to the calculation of s 7.12 levies for individual developments.

## 2.3.1 Determining the proposed cost of carrying out a development

s 7.12 levies are calculated as a percentage of the cost of development.

Clause 25J of the EP&A Regulation sets out how the proposed cost of carrying out development is determined.

# 2.3.2 Cost Summary Report must accompany development application

Where a s 7.12 levy is required under this plan in relation to a DA or application for a CDC, the application is to be accompanied by a Cost Summary Report prepared at the applicant's cost, setting out an estimate of the proposed cost of carrying out the development.

The Cost Summary Report is to be in accordance with Appendix C.

Council will validate all Cost Summary Reports before they are accepted using a standard costing guide or other generally accepted costing method. Should the costing as assessed by Council be considered inaccurate, Council may, at its sole discretion and at the applicant's cost, engage a person referred to in section 2.3.3 to review a Cost Summary Report submitted by an applicant.

### 2.3.3 Who may provide a Cost Summary Report?

The persons approved by the Council to provide an estimate of the proposed cost of carrying out development:

- where the applicant's estimate of the proposed cost of carrying out the development is less than \$1,000,000 any building industry professional; or
- where the proposed cost of carrying out the development is \$1,000,001 or more a quantity surveyor who is a registered member of the Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors.

# 2.4 Obligations of accredited certifiers

# 2.4.1 Complying development certificates

This plan requires that, in relation to an application made to an accredited certifier for a CDC:

- the accredited certifier must, if a CDC is issued, impose a condition requiring a monetary contribution, if such a contribution is authorised by this plan; and
- the amount of the monetary contribution that the accredited certifier must so impose is the amount determined in accordance with this section; and
- the terms of the condition be in accordance with this section.

# Procedure for determining a s 7.11 contribution amount

The procedure for an accredited certifier to determine the amount of the s 7.11 monetary contribution for complying development is as follows:

- 1. If, and only if specified in writing in the application for a CDC, the applicant has requested a credit under s 7.11(6) of the EP&A Act such as that envisaged in section 1.4.1 of this plan, or an exemption or part or the whole of the development under section 1.2.2 of this plan, the accredited certifier must:
  - (a) make a request in writing to the Council for the Council's advice on whether the request is granted, or the extent to which it is granted; and
  - (b) in calculating the monetary contribution, comply with the Council's written advice or if no such advice has been received prior to the granting of the CDC refuse the applicant's request.
- 2. Determine the unadjusted contributions in accordance with the rates included in Table 1 and Table 2 of this plan taking into account any exempted development specified in section 1.2.2 and any advice issued by the Council under paragraph 1(b) above.
- 3. Adjust the calculated contribution in accordance with section 2.2.3 to reflect the indexed cost of the provision of infrastructure.
- 4. Subtract any infrastructure demand credit advised by the Council under paragraph 1(b) for any assumed local infrastructure demand relating to existing development.

### Terms of a s 7.11 condition

The terms of the condition requiring a s 7.11 contribution are as follows:

### **Contribution**

The developer must make a monetary contribution to North Sydney Council in the amount of \$ [insert amount] for the purposes of the local infrastructure identified in the North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan 2020.

Open space and recreation	<pre>\$ [insert amount]</pre>
Community facilities	<pre>\$ [insert amount]</pre>
Public domain	<pre>\$ [insert amount]</pre>
Active transport	<pre>\$ [insert amount]</pre>
Plan administration	<pre>\$ [insert amount]</pre>
Total	<pre>\$ [insert amount]</pre>

### **Indexation**

The monetary contribution must be indexed between the date of this certificate and the date of payment in accordance with the following formula:

### Where:

 $$C_C$$  is the contribution amount shown in this certificate expressed in dollars

*CPI<sub>P</sub> is the Consumer Price Index (All Groups Index) for Sydney as published by the Australian Statistician at the time of the payment of the contribution* 

*CPI<sub>C</sub>* is the Consumer Price Index (All Groups Index) for Sydney as published by the Australian Statistician which applied at the time of the issue of this certificate

Note: The contribution payable will not be less than the contribution specified in this certificate.

### Time for payment

The contribution must be paid prior to any work authorised by this complying development certificate commences, as required by clause 136L of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000.

Deferred payments of contributions will not be accepted.

### Works in kind agreement

This condition does not need to be complied with to the extent specified in any planning agreement or works in kind agreement entered into between the developer and the Council.

# Procedure for determining the s 7.12 levy amount

- 1. Ensure that the development is not subject to a s 7.11 contribution under this plan or any other contributions plan adopted by the Council and that remains in force.
- 2. Determine the s 7.12 levy in accordance with the Cost Summary Report prepared by or on behalf of the applicant under section 2.3.2 of this plan using the rates included in Table 3 of this plan and taking into account any exempt development specified in section 1.3.

# Terms of a s 7.12 condition

The terms of the condition requiring a s 7.12 levy are as follows:

### **Contribution**

The developer must make a monetary contribution to North Sydney Council in the amount of \$ [insert amount] for the purposes of the local infrastructure identified in the North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan 2020.

### **Indexation**

The monetary contribution is based on a proposed cost of carrying out the development of \$ [insert amount]. This cost (and consequently the monetary contribution) must be indexed between the date of this certificate and the date of payment in accordance with the following formula:

### Where:

\$Co is the original development cost estimate assessed at the time of the issue of the complying development certificate.

Current CPI is the Consumer Price Index (All Groups Index) for Sydney as published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics at the quarter immediately prior to the date of payment.

Base CPI is the Consumer Price Index (All Groups Index) for Sydney as published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics at the quarter ending immediately prior to the date of imposition of the condition requiring payment of a contribution.

### Time for payment

The contribution must be paid prior to any work authorised by this complying development certificate commences, as required by clause 136L of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000. Deferred payments of contributions will not be accepted.

# Works in kind agreement

This condition does not need to be complied with to the extent specified, if a works in kind agreement is entered into between the developer and the Council.

### 2.4.2 Construction certificates

It is the responsibility of an accredited certifier issuing a construction certificate for building work or subdivision work to ensure that each condition requiring the payment of a monetary contribution before work is carried out has been complied with in accordance with the CDC or development consent.

The accredited certifier must ensure the applicant provides a receipt (or receipts) confirming contributions have been fully paid and copies of such receipts must be included with copies of the certified plans provided to the Council in accordance with clause 142(2) of the EP&A Regulation. Failure to follow this procedure may render such a certificate invalid and expose the certifier to legal action.

The only exceptions to the requirement are where works in kind, material public benefit, dedication of land and / or deferred payment arrangement has been agreed by the Council. In such cases the Council will issue a letter confirming that an alternative payment method has been agreed with the applicant.

# 3 How and when can a contribution requirement be settled?

# 3.1 Timing of payments

A monetary contribution required to be paid by a condition imposed on the development consent in accordance with this plan is to be paid at the time specified in the condition.

Depending on when the contribution is paid, the amount shall be adjusted in accordance with section 3.2.

Generally, the condition will provide for payment as follows:

- For development where no further approvals are required before the development consent is issued.
- For development involving subdivision the contribution must be paid prior to the release of the subdivision certificate (linen plan).
- For development not involving subdivision, but where a construction certificate is required, the contribution must be paid prior to the release of the construction certificate for any works authorising construction above the floor level of the ground floor.
- For works authorised under a CDC, the contributions are to be paid prior to any work authorised by the certificate commences, as required by clause 136L of the EP&A Regulation.

# 3.2 Indexing of contribution and levy amounts in consents

A s 7.11 monetary contribution amount required by a condition of development consent imposed in accordance with this plan will be indexed between the date of the grant of the consent and the date on which the contribution is paid in accordance with quarterly movements in the Consumer Price Index (All Groups Index) for Sydney as published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

Similarly, the proposed cost of carrying out development the subject of a s 7.12 levy is to be indexed between the date of the grant of the consent and the date on which the contribution is paid in accordance with quarterly movements in the Consumer Price Index (All Groups Index) for Sydney as published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

# 3.3 Deferred payments

Council will not accept the deferred or periodic payment of a monetary contribution or levy imposed under this plan.

# 3.4 Can the contribution be settled by dedicating land or undertaking works?

A person may make an offer to the Council to carry out works or provide another kind of material public benefit or dedicate land, in part or full satisfaction of a monetary contribution required by a condition of consent imposed under this plan.

If a developer wishes to deliver infrastructure that is included in this plan on the Council's behalf, then the developer can approach this either one of two ways:

- (a) The developer may offer to enter into a planning agreement to undertake works, make monetary contributions, dedicate land, or provide some other material public benefit. Planning agreements are the most appropriate mechanism for offers made prior to the issue of a development consent for the development.
- (b) If the developer has already received a development consent containing a condition requiring a monetary contribution, the developer may offer to undertake works in kind through a works in kind agreement, or offer to dedicate land through a land dedication agreement.

Any offer of works or land should also be consistent with the relevant LEP and DCP applying to the land. The decision to accept settlement of a contribution by way of works in kind or the dedication of land is at the sole discretion of Council.

Any offer for works in kind or other material public benefit shall be made in writing to the Council and shall be made prior to the commencement of any works proposed as part of that offer. Retrospective works in kind agreements will not be accepted.

Works in kind or the dedication of land may be accepted by the Council under the following circumstances:

- Council will generally only accept offers of works or land that are items included in the schedule of local infrastructure in this plan, and
- Council determines that the works in kind are, or the land to be dedicated is, appropriate and meets a broad community need.

In assessing the request, Council will consider the following:

- The design of the facilities, and whether the design will result in facilities that are fit for purpose.
- The proposed works or land dedication will not constrain the future provision of facilities identified in the works schedule, or conflict with what Council has prioritised in this plan.

Plans and cost estimates of the proposed works are to be prepared by suitably qualified professionals and submitted by the applicant. Land proposed to be transferred is to include a site contamination report if required, remediation works and transfer of land fees.

Should an offer of works in kind or land dedication be accepted, Council will negotiate with the applicant, on the following matters:

- an acceptable standard for workmanship and materials;
- frequency of progress works inspections;
- the program for completion of the works or the dedication of the land;
- landscaping management plan; and
- an appropriate defects liability period.

# 4 Other administration matters

# 4.1 Relationship of this plan to other contributions plans

This plan repeals the North Sydney Section 94 Contributions Plan (2013).

This plan does not affect development consents applying to land in the North Sydney LGA containing conditions requiring contributions or levies under the above plan. Contributions imposed on developments under the above plan and paid to or held by Council will be applied to completing the works schedules in this plan.

# 4.2 Transitional arrangements

This plan applies to a DA or application for a CDC that was submitted but not yet determined on the date on which this plan took effect.

# 4.3 Pooling of contributions funds

This plan authorises monetary contributions paid for different purposes in accordance with development consent conditions authorised by this plan and any other contributions plan that is in effect in the North Sydney LGA to be paid and applied progressively for those purposes.

The priorities for the expenditure of pooled monetary contributions under this plan are the priorities for works as set out in the works schedule of this plan<sup>6</sup>.

# 4.4 Accountability and access to information

In accordance with the EP&A Act and EP&A Regulation a contributions register will be maintained by Council. The register will include the following:

- Particulars sufficient to identify each development consent for which contributions have been sought;
- Nature and extent of the contribution required by the relevant condition of consent;
- Name of the contributions plan under which the condition of consent was imposed; and
- Date the contribution was received, for what purpose and the amount.

Separate accounting records will be maintained for each contribution type in this plan and published every year in Council's financial accounts. They will contain details concerning contributions received and expended, including interest for each service or amenity to be provided. The records are held at Council's administration office and may be inspected upon request.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Clause 27(3) of the EP&A Regulation 2000 allows pooling where the consent authority is satisfied the infrastructure will be delivered in a reasonable time.

# 4.5 Review of contributions plan

This contributions plan will be reviewed after five (5) years following the date of adoption. Council may review the plan prior to that time if required by changes to planning instruments, legislation or development conditions.

# APPENDIX A: INFRASTRUCTURE DEMAND AND THE CALCULATION OF THE CONTRIBUTION RATES

# 5 s 7.11 contributions must be shown to be reasonable

There are particular requirements for s 7.11 contributions as distinct from s 7.12 levies, including the following:

- Contributions can only be imposed if the consent authority considers that the development 'will or is likely to require the provision of or increase the demand for public amenities and public services within the area' (s 7.11(1)).
- Contributions toward recoupment of facilities can only be imposed if the facilities were provided in preparation for or to facilitate the carrying out of development in the area and the development will benefit from the provision of those public amenities or public services (s 7.11(3)).
- Contributions that are imposed must be reasonable (s 7.11(2) and (4)), and a developer may appeal to the Land and Environment Court on the grounds that contributions imposed on a development are unreasonable in the particular circumstances of the case (s 7.13(3)).

These requirements mean that a contributions plan that authorises s 7.11 contributions needs to show that the contribution rates are reasonable by explaining the relationship between the anticipated developments and the demand they generate for the infrastructure included in the plan.

So that the contributions that are imposed are reasonable, the s 7.11 contribution rates in this plan have been calculated having regard to the principles of nexus and fair cost apportionment. This has included consideration of:

- whether the infrastructure serves existing or new populations or both;
- whether the infrastructure serves residents or workers or both;
- the relative demand for infrastructure between residents and workers; and
- whether the infrastructure serves the North Sydney area development, or populations beyond the North Sydney LGA boundary.

This section explains the expected development in North Sydney LGA, the infrastructure necessary to support this development, and the way in which the s 7.11 contribution rates have been calculated.

# 6 Development and population context

### 6.1 Area context

North Sydney LGA is in Sydney's inner northern suburbs and part of the North District Plan. It is approximately 3km from the Sydney CBD. It is bound by the local government areas of Willoughby to the north, Mosman to the east, Lane Cove to the west. Sydney Harbour adjoins the southern parts of the LGA.

North Sydney LGA is approximately 10km<sup>2</sup> in area. Its residential areas consist of a mix of housing types. Unlike many parts of Sydney, the area's housing mix is dominated by higher density housing forms such as:

- town houses, terraces and residential flat buildings; and
- lift accessible apartment buildings in many areas including North Sydney CBD, St Leonards, Cremorne and Neutral Bay.

The area also has both minor and major employment areas, the most significant being:

- North Sydney CBD and surrounds, which contains a range of retail, commercial and other services typical of a major centre;
- St Leonards, Crows Nest and Neutral Bay with a mix of employment uses; and
- The Mater Hospital.

# 6.2 Recent development and population characteristics

North Sydney has been experiencing high rates of residential development from medium to large sized apartment blocks to dual occupancies, villas and town houses throughout the suburban areas. The construction of these types of housing is likely to continue due to the area's proximity to the Sydney CBD and other inner-city locations with ample employment opportunities.

### 6.2.1 Housing

Table 7 below shows the increase in number of dwellings between 2011 and 2016. Over this time there was a net increase of 1,888 dwellings, representing an average of 378 net additional dwellings per annum. The highest increase in dwelling types during this period was medium and high-density dwellings.

Table 7 Dwelling structure comparison 2011-2016

Dwelling type	2011		2016		Change
	Number	%	Number	%	2011 to 2016
Separate house	4,518	12.9	3,764	10.2	-754
Medium density	8,985	25.7	9,196	25.0	+211
High density	21,203	60.8	23,629	64.2	+2,426

Caravans, cabin, houseboat	22	0.1	11	0	-11
Other	112	0.3	78	0.2	-34
Not stated	57	0.2	107	0.3	+50
Total Private Dwellings	34,897	100	36,785	100	+1,888

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2011 and 2016.

In the six-year period to 2018, an additional 2,826 dwellings were completed across the LGA – an average annual growth of 1.2%, or an average of 471 extra dwellings per annum. The vast majority of these new dwellings were apartments.<sup>7</sup>

In the five-year period between 2014 and 2019 the resident population of North Sydney LGA grew from 69,937 to 75,021, corresponding to an average annual growth rate of 1.4%, and an average of 1017 persons per annum being added to the local population. (ABS Catalogue No. 3218.0 *Regional Population Growth, Australia*).

Reflecting its close proximity to the Sydney CBD, parts of North Sydney LGA have some of the highest population densities in the North District.

# 6.2.2 Household type

North Sydney's household type and family structure are outlined in Table 8 below.

Table 8 Household type 2016 census

Household type	North Sydney 2016 (No.)	North Sydney 2016 (%)		
Couples with children	5,910	18.0		
Couples without children	9,348	28.5		
One parent families	1,752	5.3		
Other families	400	1.2		
Group household	2,018	6.1		
Lone person	10,629	32.4		
Other not classifiable household	2,215	6.7		
Visitor only households	573	1.7		
Total households	32,845	100.0		

Source: ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2016

The dominant household type in North Sydney was lone person, accounting for 32.4% of households. During the intercensal period, this type of household reduced from 34.1% to 32.4% of households in the LGA. The household types that increased during the same period were:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> North Sydney Local Strategic Planning Statement p15

- Couples with children, from 15.4% to 18.0%,
- Couples without children, from 28.1% to 28.5%, and
- One parent families, from 4.8% to 5.3%.
- The number of lone person and couple only households is expected to increase by 32% by 2036.8



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Ibid [17].

# 6.2.3 Occupancy rates

The following occupancy rates were recorded across North Sydney at the 2016 Census.

Table 9 Occupancy rates

Residential development type	Occupancy rate
0 and 1 bedroom dwellings	1.4 persons per dwelling
2 bedroom dwellings	2.0 persons per dwelling
3 bedroom dwellings	2.5 persons per dwelling
4+ bedroom dwellings	3.2 persons per dwelling

Source: Compiled from ABS census 2016 data

Recent research compiled by PwC and the Property Council of Australia indicates that self-contained seniors living dwellings have a similar occupancy rate to that of 0 and one bedroom dwellings – i.e. 1.4 persons per dwelling.<sup>9</sup> Secondary dwellings also make up the housing mix in the LGA. The ABS census does not separate data for occupancy of these dwelling types. This plan assumes an average dwelling occupancy rate for secondary dwellings of 1.4 persons per dwelling.

# 6.2.4 Cultural diversity and language

The population of North Sydney is culturally diverse, and similar to the Sydney average.

In 2016, 37.8% of people were born overseas compared with 36.7% in Greater Sydney. The most common countries of birth were United Kingdom (7.6%), New Zealand (3.0%), and China (2.9%). Other overseas origins include India, South Africa and Japan. Between 2011 and 2016 the number of people born overseas increased by 1.4%.

In North Sydney LGA, 22.2% of people speak a language other than English. The dominant language is Mandarin, with 3.4% (2,276 people) speaking this language at home. Other languages that are highly represented include Cantonese, Japanese and Spanish.

### 6.2.5 Labour force and education

At the time of the 2016 census, 96.3% of North Sydney's 15+ year old population were employed. This was more than the Greater Sydney average of 61.6%. The unemployment rate was 3.7%, which is also lower than that of Greater Sydney (6%).

Of those employed, 71.1% worked full-time and 23.9% part-time. Of those persons looking for work, 2.3% were looking to work full-time and 1.4% were looking to work part-time.

Compared to Greater Sydney, the population of the North Sydney LGA has a significantly higher proportion of people holding formal qualifications that may include a Bachelor or higher degree, Advanced Diploma or Diploma, or vocational qualifications. It also has a lower proportion of people

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> 2018 PwC/Property Council Retirement Census November 2018. The occupancy rate is derived from the finding that 61% of self-contained seniors living dwellings are occupied by a single resident and 39% of the dwellings are occupied by couples.

with no formal qualifications. Overall, 70.7% of the population aged over 15 hold educational qualifications and 18.9% have no qualifications compared with 52.7% and 37.7% respectively for Greater Sydney.

The most common occupations were professionals (43.8%), managers (21.4%) and clerical and administrative workers (12.6%). Together, these occupations account for 77.8% of the employed resident population.

### **6.2.6** Income

In 2016, North Sydney LGA had a higher proportion of individuals earning a high income (more than \$1,750 per week or more) and a lower proportion of individuals of low income (less than \$500 per week), compared to Greater Sydney. Overall, 34.1% of the population earned a high income, and 18.4% earned a low income compared with 14.4% and 36.1% respectively for Greater Sydney.

Overall, 42% of households in the North Sydney LGA earned a high income (earning \$2,500 per week or more) and 9.6% were low income households (less than \$650 per week) compared with 28.3% and 15.1% respectively for Greater Sydney. This is consistent with the relatively high number of people with qualifications and lower unemployment rate.

### 6.2.7 Journey to work

North Sydney LGA residents are much more likely than residents in other parts of Sydney to use travel modes apart from the private vehicle to get to work. In 2016 almost two-thirds of workers used active transport methods or public transport to get to work or work from home.

Current and emerging trends including greater take-up of active transport options and working from home, together with the rise of public transport accessibility is expected to reinforce this relatively balanced use of travel modes.<sup>10</sup>

### 6.2.8 Non-residential development

In 2018 there were approximately 92,000 full-time equivalent jobs located in workplaces situated in North Sydney LGA.<sup>11</sup>

Professional, scientific and technical services was the most represented industry group (31.9%). Financial and insurances services (with 11.2%) and information media / telecommunications (6.9%) were the next most represented industry groups. In comparison, Greater Sydney employed 9.1% in professional, scientific and technical services, 5.1% in financial and insurances and 2.3% in media/telecommunications. Most industry sectors of employment, except manufacturing and mining either remained stable or grew marginally between 2014-2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> North Sydney Local Strategic Planning Statement p17

National Institute of Economic and Industry Research (NIEIR) 2019, accessed at <a href="http://economy.id.com.au/north-sydney/employment-by-industry-fte">http://economy.id.com.au/north-sydney/employment-by-industry-fte</a>

# 7 Expected development and population

# 7.1 Planning framework

Future development in the North Sydney LGA is guided by number of plans and policies, including the Greater Sydney Regional Plan ('A Metropolis of Three Cities') and the North District Plan - both prepared by the Greater Sydney Commission (**GSC**); as well as the North Sydney Local Strategic Planning Statement (**LSPS**) and Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 (**CSP**).

North Sydney is one of nine LGA's covered by the North District Plan. Key North District Plan priorities relevant to this contributions plan include:

- enhancing local centres to provide jobs, services and amenity;
- creating walkable and well-connected centres by improving walking, cycling and public transport connections to achieve a 30-minute city;
- creating and renewing great places for people while protecting heritage and local character;
- aligning growth and development with infrastructure;
- enhancing the quality and improving access to Sydney Harbour and open space, and increasing urban tree canopy.<sup>12</sup>

Various trends, challenges and opportunities that will impact on North Sydney's future have been identified in the CSP, many of which relate to the provision of infrastructure:

- a growing and changing population;
- aging infrastructure;
- movement in and around the North Sydney LGA;
- · healthy, safe and connected communities;
- growing demand for sport, recreation and open space;
- greater collaboration between all stakeholders; and
- growing community expectations and remaining financially sustainable.<sup>13</sup>

# 7.2 Anticipated residential growth

This plan adopts a resident population of 75,021 at the commencement of the plan period and 86,923 at the end of the plan (i.e. 2036). The most recent available published figure on the North Sydney LGA population is 75,021 for 30 June 2019.<sup>14</sup>

Council's Local Housing Strategy and LSPS anticipates that 11,870 dwellings could be delivered in the LGA between 2016 and 2036. Some 2,790 of these dwellings may be expected to be accommodated in the St Leonards – Crows Nest Planned Precinct.<sup>15</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> North Sydney Local Strategic Planning Statement p11

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Ibid [13].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Estimated Resident Population, ABS Catalogue No. 3218.0 for June 2019, published March 2020

 $<sup>^{15}</sup>$  North Sydney Local Strategic Planning Statement p54

Council's Local Housing Strategy also anticipated growth in residential population of approximately 19,000 in the period 2016 to 2036. This estimate was based on data issued by DPIE in 2016. DPIE published updated projections in December 2019 soon after the completion of the Local Housing Strategy. These projections revised growth downwards, including the anticipated population in 2036 being anticipated to be 86,923.

# 7.2.1 Age structure

North Sydney is an attractive location for young and middle-aged adults who want to live close to employment and entertainment opportunities that are available close to the centre of Sydney. Half of the residents North Sydney LGA in 2016 were aged between 25 and 49 years, which is significantly greater than the North District (34%) and 38% across Greater Sydney. <sup>16</sup>

However, these trends are anticipated to slowly change as North Sydney becomes home to greater numbers persons aged 45 or more.

A summary of the 2016 and expected 2036 age profile of the North Sydney LGA population, compared to the Greater Sydney area, is shown in Table 10.

Table 10 Age profile 2016 and 2036

Age group (years)	2016 North Sydney %	2016 Greater Sydney %	2036 North Sydney %	2036 Greater Sydney %
0-4	5.8%	6.7%	6.1%	6.3%
5-9	4.0%	6.4%	4.3%	6.2%
10-14	2.9%	5.7%	3.9%	6.0%
15-19	2.8%	6.0%	3.6%	5.9%
20-24	5.5%	7.5%	4.5%	6.2%
25-29	11.6%	8.5%	8.8%	6.9%
30-34	13.0%	8.5%	9.7%	7.1%
35-39	10.1%	7.4%	8.5%	7.3%
40-44	7.8%	7.0%	7.5%	7.4%
45-49	6.4%	6.5%	6.9%	7.1%
50-54	5.5%	6.2%	6.2%	6.4%
55-59	5.5%	5.7%	5.7%	5.4%
60-64	5.1%	4.8%	5.4%	4.9%
65-69	5.0%	4.2%	4.9%	4.3%
70-74	3.7%	3.1%	4.4%	3.8%
75-79	2.4%	2.3%	3.8%	3.3%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Ibid [15].

80-84	1.4%	1.6%	2.9%	2.6%
85+	1.6%	1.8%	3.0%	3.0%

Source: NSW 2019 Population Projections, published by the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment

# 7.3 Non-residential development and worker growth

North Sydney LGA will continue to shift towards an economy based on knowledge and innovation. The North Sydney CBD will continue to be the primary employment location the LGA, strengthening its role in accommodating jobs in professional and technical services, finance and insurance services, an information media and telecommunications. Its relationship with the Sydney CBD will be strengthened with the completion of the Metro in 2024.<sup>17</sup>

The plan will address the infrastructure demands of non-residential developments that are approved or occupied from 2021-2036. Jobs growth is also expected in St Leonards leveraging off existing education, medical, telecommunications and multimedia workplaces. Between 2016 and 2036, the LSPS anticipates that the LGA will accommodate between 22,500 and 37,400 new workers.

The plan adopts worker projections for the 15-year period 2021 to 2036 published by Transport for NSW for the Travel Zones within the North Sydney LGA. The plan forecasts an additional 16,746 workers from 2021-2036.<sup>20</sup> This has been calculated based on data which has been derived from the map in Figure 3. It is noted that an area, known as Travel Zone 1844 includes some areas of adjoining LGAs. Data for these LGAs has been subtracting to eliminate the areas of Lane Cove Council, Willoughby Council area which are not in North Sydney, to provide the following employment forecasts.

For the purposes of this plan Table 12 shows the assumptions have been made to establish 'existing' workers (2021) and forecast workers (2036).

Table 11 - Employment Forecasts North Sydney LGA 2021-2036 by Travel Zone

Local Government Area	Forecast Workers				
	2021	Total:			
North Sydney LGA	90,590	95,670	101,332	107,336	16,746

Source: Transport Planning and Analytics (TPA) Employment (by place of work) projections by Travel Zone for the Sydney Greater Metropolitan Area (GMA). <a href="https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/data-and-research/forecasts-and-projections/employment/land-use-planner-employment">https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/data-and-research/forecasts-and-projections/employment/land-use-planner-employment</a>

<sup>18</sup> Ibid [27].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Ibid [28].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Ibid [27]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Transport Planning and Analytics (TPA) Employment (by place of work) projections by Travel Zone for the Sydney Greater Metropolitan Area (GMA). <a href="https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/data-and-research/forecasts-and-projections/employment/land-use-planner-employment">https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/data-and-research/forecasts-and-projections/employment/land-use-planner-employment</a>

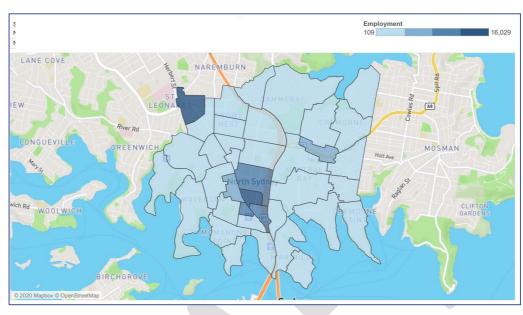


Figure 3 North Sydney employment by Travel Zone + 2021–2036 projections

Source: <a href="https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/data-and-research/forecasts-and-projections/employment/land-use-planner-employment">https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/data-and-research/forecasts-and-projections/employment/land-use-planner-employment</a>

# 7.3.1 Accounting for both workers and residents in the rate calculation

The demand for infrastructure will be made up from the expected growth in residents and workers. Residents are likely to use local infrastructure more than workers. The simplest way to account for this differential use in the calculation of reasonable contributions is to establish an 'equivalent' resident population. A weighting is applied to each worker for all discrete infrastructure types to establish an equivalency. The proportions used to derive the 'per worker' rate shown in Table 2 of the plan.

For the purposes of this plan Table 12 shows the assumptions have been made to establish 'equivalent' residents.

Table 12 Equivalent resident weightings

Infrastructure type	Relative demand: residents v workers	
Open space and recreation facilities	1 resident = 5 workers	
Community facilities	1 resident = 5 workers	
Active transport	1 resident = 1 worker	
Public domain facilities	1 resident = 1 worker	

The weighting of workers to residents for public domain and active transport facilities is considered equivalent. This is due to workers continuing to be significant users of the CBD public domain spaces during the working week and, with the move towards travel demand management there is likely to be just as much demand by workers for active transport options as residents for the journey to work.

Workers who are also residents of North Sydney LGA need to be excluded from the calculation. In 2016, 14% of North Sydney Council area's local workers were residents. Therefore, base and projected worker populations have been reduced by this amount for the purposes of calculating contribution rates.

The equivalent residents for the purposes of calculation of the contribution rates are shown in Table 13 below.

Table 13 Equivalent resident populations

Infrastructure type	No. of equivalent residents	
	Where the infrastructure demand is attributable to the growth in residents and workers to 2036	Where the infrastructure demand is attributable to the expected total number of residents and workers in 2036
Open space and recreation facilities	14,782	105,384
Community facilities	14,782	105,384
Public domain facilities	26,304	179,232
Active transport	26,304	179,232

The method used to calculate these figures is shown in Table 14.

Table 14 Equivalent resident population calculations

Equivalent resident result	Explanation	
Growth only - relative demand 1:5	Resident growth to 2036 = 86,923 - 75,021 = <b>11,902</b>	
	+	
Open space and recreation facilities  Community facilities	Non-resident worker growth assuming the demand for infrastructure by workers is 1/5 <sup>th</sup> that of a resident, i.e.	
Community facilities	Worker growth = 107,336 – 90,590 = 16,746	
Growth in equivalent residents = 14,782	[adjusted to remove resident workers (-14%, or -2,344)] = 14,402	
	[adjusted to reflect 1:5 resident: worker demand weighting = 14,402 / 5 = <b>2,880</b> equivalent residents	
	11,902 + 2,880 = 14,782	
Growth only - relative demand 1:1	Resident growth to 2036 = 86,923 - 75,021 = <b>11,902</b>	
	+	
Public domain facilities	Non-resident worker growth assuming the demand for	
Active transport	infrastructure by workers the same as that of a resident, i.e.	
	Worker growth = 107,336 – 90,590 = 16,746	
Growth in equivalent residents = 26,304	[adjusted to remove resident workers (-14%, or -2,344)] =	
	14,402	
	11,902 + 14,402 = 26,304	

Equivalent resident result	Explanation
Existing + growth - relative demand 1:5	Total residents in 2036 = <b>86,923</b>
	+
Open space and recreation facilities  Community facilities	Total non-resident workers in 2036 assuming the demand for infrastructure by workers is 1/5 <sup>th</sup> that of a resident, i.e.
Community recursion	107,336 workers [adjusted to remove resident workers (-14%, or -15,027)] = 92,309
	[adjusted to reflect 1:5 resident: worker demand weighting = 92,309 / 5 = <b>18,461</b> equivalent residents
Total equivalent residents = 105,384	86,923 + 18,461 = 105,384
Existing + growth - relative demand 1:1	Total residents in 2036 = <b>86,923</b>
	+
Public domain facilities	Total non-resident workers in 2036, i.e.
Active transport  Total equivalent residents = 179,232	107,336 workers [adjusted to remove resident workers (-14%, or -15,027)] = <b>92,309</b>
rotal equivalent residents - 175/252	86,923 + 92,309 = 179,232



# 8 Infrastructure strategies, schedules and nexus

# 8.1 Background

New and augmented infrastructure will be required to support further development and increased resident and worker populations in the area. North Sydney is a built-up locality with residential and employment areas and significant green space along the Sydney Harbour corridor. These land-use attributes mean that future development will take place by:

- conversion of already-developed land from one use to another (e.g. a residential use replacing a commercial use), and/or
- denser development of the same land use on the same parcel of land (e.g. residential flat buildings replacing detached dwelling houses).

The common feature will be more intensive use of land.

This has significant implications in terms of planning for the future infrastructure needs of the future developments in the area:

- Parts of North Sydney, particularly the southern part is well-endowed with open space, much
  of it along the Sydney Harbour foreshore, with limited opportunity for public use beyond
  passive recreation.
- Developable land is a scarce resource, meaning its price is likely to continue to increase in value.
- Opportunities to increase the amount of open space will continue to be limited. Existing open space, recreation and community facilities assets will need to 'work harder' to accommodate both current and future needs.
- Many people living in future developments will be almost exclusively apartment-dwellers with limited access to private open space. Increasingly, apartments are being occupied by couples with children and lone person households who, despite living side by side, have limited interaction with each other. Availability of high-quality, ground-level public open space areas within walking distance will be important, particularly in the major growth areas of St Leonards and Crows Nest.
- Development will increasingly be in vertical form, which will create the opportunity for floors within the new buildings to be used for community purposes such as libraries, community centres and, in the case of rooftops, outdoor sports courts<sup>21</sup> and other open space.

Council has identified a schedule of local infrastructure to meet the needs of the current and future (2036) population. The works schedule in this plan has been based on various studies, mostly focused on the need for various types of social infrastructure such as recreation and community facilities. These studies include:

- North Sydney Local Strategic Planning Statement (2019)
- North Sydney Community Strategic Plan (2018-2028)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Vertical approach to social infrastructure provision is reflected in the NSW Government's strategy to develop vertical primary and secondary schools in Sydney

- St Leonards Crows Nest Planning Study (2015)
- North Sydney Recreation Needs Study (2015)
- North Sydney Integrated Cycling Strategy (2014)
- NSROC Social and Cultural Infrastructure Strategy (2020)
- NSROC Regional Sportsground Management Strategy (2013)
- North Sydney Housing Strategy (2020)
- North Sydney Council Delivery Program (2018/19-2020/21)
- North Sydney Open Space Provision Strategy (2009)
- North Sydney Visitor Economy Strategy (2019)
- North Sydney Ward St Master Plan
- North Sydney Public Domain Strategy
- North Sydney Transport Strategy (2017)
- Crows Nest Placemaking & Principles Study (2016)
- Anderson Park Plan of Management (2019)
- Bradfield Park and Kirribilli Foreshore Masterplan (1999)
- Cremorne Reserve Masterplan (2013)
- Lavender Bay Parklands Masterplan (2007)
- St Leonards Park Landscape Masterplan (2018)
- Tunks Park Plan of Management (2019)
- Waverton Peninsula Strategic Masterplan (2000)
- Foreshore Access Strategy (2006)
- Foreshore Parks & Reserves Plan of Management (2017)
- North Sydney Oval Business Plan (2014)
- Playgrounds Plan of Management (2016)
- Smoothy Park Plan of Management (2016)
- Watercraft Storage Strategy (2018)
- Public Domain Style Manual (2019)
- Family and Children's Services Strategy (2018-2024)
- Library and Historical Services Strategic Plan (2016-21)

Further detail on specific items, their estimated costs and staging, and location maps are included in Appendix B.

# 8.2 Open space and recreation

### 8.2.1 Objectives

Provide a range of open space and recreation facilities that will meet the demand of future residents.

### 8.2.2 Needs assessment

Council currently manages 144 ha of open space. This comprises natural areas including bushland, harbour foreshore and structured recreation areas. Councils open space contains various recreation facilities including:

- District and local parks and playgrounds;
- sporting fields and courts;
- tracks, paths and cycleways; and
- leisure and aquatic centres.

Council needs to balance competing interests of active and passive recreation users.<sup>22</sup> Council maintains a network of over 200 parks, which are heavily used by the community due to relatively high population densities. The existing network of parks does not currently meet the recreation needs of existing resident, worker and student population in North Sydney LGA and do not have the capacity to absorb the recreation needs and demand of new populations. Both indoor and outdoor facilities are at capacity.<sup>23</sup>

The North Sydney Recreation Needs Study 2015 was completed to review the open space needs of the community. The study identified growing demand for walking and cycling, provision for sport (particularly hockey, soccer, netball, touch, indoor basketball, badminton and squash), social/family recreation parks and water-based recreation. There is also likely to be additional demand for short duration group fitness, indoor sports opportunities and for sports that are based on a 'pay and play' model.<sup>24</sup>

Bushland and foreshore areas provide natural conservation, ecological and/or scenic values and passive recreation. Open space areas accommodate multiple recreation experiences and support the populations' formal passive and active and sports recreation needs. Future development and additional population creates greater demands for open space and recreation facilities. Most new residents will be apartment-dwellers with access to very little private open space. Thus, the needs of the new residents is arguably greater than many of North Sydney's existing residents.

# 8.2.3 Infrastructure strategy

A more practical approach to provision of open space

Current rates of open space provision (1.8 ha per 1,000 persons) is low-moderate when compared to the traditional standard of 2.8 ha per 1,000 persons.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> North Sydney Local Strategic Planning Statement p39

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Ibid [82].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Ibid [62].

On this basis, Council is committed to providing the new residents of North Sydney with the same level of open space as enjoyed by the existing residents. Based on the current provision rates, and an anticipated resident population growth of 11,902 over the next 16 years, it is estimated that a further 22 hectares of open space would need to be provided.

Additional open space is provided through land acquisition by state or local government. Purchasing land in the North Sydney LGA is very expensive. On the most optimistic assessment, 22 ha of new open space land would cost \$660 million.<sup>25</sup> This would translate to a s 7.11 contribution of over \$100,000 for a typical 2-bedroom apartment. Imposition of such a high contribution amount is not permitted by Ministerial Direction, which caps the maximum contribution at \$20,000 per dwelling. Even if it were permitted, no development would occur because it would be unaffordable.

A more realistic approach is for Council to pursue a two-pronged approach that entails:

- (a) Acquiring, or negotiating with developers to provide, a limited number of local open space areas; and
- (b) Increasing the recreation carrying capacity of existing Council and other public land (i.e. making existing assets work more effectively).

# New open space in strategic locations

The North District Plan has set a priority to promote and encourage connectivity and upgrade and increase public open spaces. Council intends to increase the amount of developed open space in the areas of highest projected population growth.

Council will do this by doing one or more of the following:

- acquiring and embellishing new open space in strategic locations;
- facilitating or directly providing linkages between existing and new public open space areas;
- embellishing existing open space areas in a way that increases their carrying capacity.

# Making assets work more effectively

Council will apply the following efficiency principles in its infrastructure planning:

- Better planning and design of the existing network so that increases in capacity, quality, diversity, usability and accessibility of open space can be achieved;
- Providing flexible and multi-purpose use arrangements wherever possible;
- Improving access to existing open space assets both within and outside the LGA through better
  connections and crossing points, upgrading or providing new linear linkages and access paths
  (such as footpaths and cycleways), and implementing the metropolitan strategy's 'Green Grid'
  where funds allow;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Assumed acquisition cost of \$3,000 per m², which in turn is derived from comparative sales from the Cushman & Wakefield land valuation report 2019, commissioned for this Plan. This amount was the average price for a non-strata dwelling block in North Sydney LGA.

- Providing greater opportunities for walking and passive recreation through new and upgraded paths through publicly owned lands;
- Increasing the weekly time available for active recreation pursuits by upgrading sports fields and sports courts surfaces;
- Endeavouring to secure joint use arrangements with schools and other institutions to make available open space and sporting facilities on their lands for public use; and
- Exploring the opportunities to convert existing public-owned land to parkland or to accommodate recreation facilities.

The infrastructure strategies outlined in the Recreation Needs Study 2015 are a combination of renewals and new and augmented facilities that will provide improved active and passive recreation.

### The works include:

- renewal of existing facilities and construction of new playgrounds;
- upgrade sporting fields, lighting, irrigation systems and spectator seating;
- provision of additional walking paths, furniture and exercise equipment to numerous existing parks;
- conversion of existing sports fields to synthetic surfaces where appropriate;
- new and upgraded aquatic and indoor sports facilities; and
- upgrade and provision of new of water-based recreation facilities.

These and other works have formed the basis of this contributions plan's work schedule.

Council will also continue to investigate innovative and cooperative methods to extend the open space network, including land swap arrangements, development negotiations, leasing vacant government land, donations/bequests, grants, sponsorships, partnering neighbouring councils, and use of land not dedicated as open space.

Other initiatives include partnering with commercial entities and education establishments to provide shared recreation facilities and to re-use existing space (including rooftops and car parks), transport infrastructure, and green space for sport and recreation use.<sup>26</sup>

### 8.2.4 Nexus and apportionment

This plan levies s 7.11 contributions on residential accommodation and non-residential (per worker) development. As the new open space land and the works that increase carrying capacity of existing open space are to accommodate new demand from new residents and workers, it is reasonable that the contribution rate calculation for those works assumes that the costs be met entirely by the growth populations.

New playgrounds and playground upgrade embellishments have been apportioned to and will be met by the growth population. All other works excluding the North Sydney Olympic Pool and Hume Street Park have been apportioned to the existing and growth populations of North Sydney LGA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> North Sydney Local Strategic Planning Statement p39

This means the new population will only a portion of the cost of the works. The balance of the funds will be met by other funding sources.

### Aguatic facilities (North Sydney Olympic Pool)

Council proposes to demolish the existing facility and construct a new facility.

The new facility will include:

- A new 50m outdoor pool with dividing barrier function;
- 4 x lane 25m indoor pool, warm water pool, spa and sauna facilities;
- family leisure pool;
- children's interactive water play area;
- family change facilities;
- covered entry off Alfred Street adjacent to the original heritage entry;
- all facilities will be fully accessible with purpose-built ramps;
- grandstand with roof/shade structure, with capacity for 970 people;
- sundeck with gelato bar;
- café adjacent to Olympic Boulevard;
- café adjacent to the entry off Alfred Street;
- retail shop adjacent to the entry off Alfred Street;
- 1,100m<sup>2</sup> gym suitable for all ages in a new grandstand; and
- 120m² creche with 47m² outdoor play area on the ground level.

The facility is of a nature and scale that will continue to serve and benefit future residents of North Sydney LGA, existing and future workers beyond the North Sydney LGA, including tourists who visit the iconic Sydney Harbour Foreshore. The new venue is expected to have a service catchment of around 150,000 equivalent residents, as it will also be used by visitors and organisations outside the LGA for events. The cost of the redevelopment is to be funded using several sources including grants, general revenue, contributions and other sources. It is reasonable that the incoming population to North Sydney LGA should contribute only its share to the future facility.

# Hume Street Park multipurpose and sport facility

Council proposes to demolish the existing multipurpose facility and construct a new centre that includes indoor sports. This centre is being upgraded to accommodate the existing demand and proposed future estimated growth in Crows Nest and St Leonards.

The preferred project design is known as option 3 in the Council report dated 21 September 2015. The option is to demolish the existing facility and create new open space, and a childcare centre at ground level by relocating the carpark, indoor sports facility, and new commercial space underground. The proposed floor space for the option compared to the existing is shown in Table 15.

Table 15 Comparison of existing and proposed areas\* - Hume Street Park facility

Criteria (area)	Existing (m²)	Option 3 (m²)
Open space	2,925	8,242
Indoor sports	3,690	5,745
Cinema/other	-	3,035
Office/residential	-	810
Retail	393	210

### Notes:

Source: Council report CiS01 dated 21/09/2015 p29

This option will have a total area of 13,987m<sup>2</sup>. The total existing area of open space and indoor sports is 6,615m<sup>2</sup>. This means the total area of open space and indoor sports will effectively double. As the expected population growth in the St Leonards and Crows Nest areas is likely to be substantial, it is reasonable for the existing population to be accountable for the cost of replacing the extent of existing amenities, and for the future populations to be accountable for the cost of the increased area of amenities.

Based on a doubling of size of both indoor and outdoor components, it is reasonable that half or 50% of the cost of the facility should be attributed to the existing population and half to the new population.

# Summary of demand population for contributions

Table 16 shows the different classes of facilities and the equivalent residents that will generate demand for, or in the case of the North Sydney Olympic pool, the anticipated service population for, those facilities.

Table 16 Demand populations used to calculate contribution rates

Infrastructure category / facility	Facility demand expressed as equivalent residents <sup>a</sup>
Strategic land acquisitions to meet additional needs for open space	14,782
Capital works to increase carrying capacity (new demand)	14,782
Works to augment the existing infrastructure (existing and new demand)	105,384
Redevelopment of North Sydney Olympic Pool	150,000 <sup>b</sup>

### Notes:

- a for explanation of equivalent residents, refer to section 3.3.1 and Table 16 above
- b this is an estimate of the service catchment that takes into account existing and anticipated North Sydney LGA residents and workers, plus an allowance for use by visitors who do not live or work in North Sydney LGA

<sup>\*</sup> site area for open space, gross floor areas for other facilities

### 8.2.5 Contribution rates calculation

The contribution formula for open space and recreation infrastructure can be expressed as follows:

Contribution per equivalent resident (\$ER) = 
$$\sum$$
 (  $\frac{\$INF}{ER}$ 

Contribution per worker =  $ER \times VDW \times VRW$ 

### Where:

\$INF = the apportioned estimated cost of providing each of the open space and recreation facilities (refer works schedule in Appendix B).

ER = The expected equivalent residents that will generate the demand for the open space and recreation infrastructure (refer to Table 16 and Appendix B for values).

WDW = The worker demand weighting for this infrastructure type, being that one resident generates demand that is equivalent to 5 workers – the WDW is therefore 0.2.

NRW% = The average percentage of workers in the North Sydney LGA that did not live in the North Sydney LGA at the 2016 census - i.e. 86%.

To determine the total contribution that would apply to a proposed development, multiply the contribution rate by the proposed net additional residents or workers in the proposed development.

To determine the contribution rate per dwelling, multiply the contribution rate by the relevant assumed occupancy rate shown in Table 9.

Contribution calculations should also account for any demand credits pertaining to the existing development on the site.

# 8.3 Community facilities

### 8.3.1 Objectives

Provide a range of community facilities and services to meet the demands created by future residents.

### 8.3.2 Needs assessment and infrastructure strategy

Council currently directly provides the following community facilities and services:

- library services;
- child services and childcare;
- community centres, halls and meeting spaces; and
- youth facilities.

Other services include providing opportunities for emerging and established local artists, professional support for volunteer boards and community grants programs.

North Sydney has a number of community facilities that vary in function, capacity and usage. Council intends to provide an additional 1,612m<sup>2</sup> of community floorspace located near Crows Nest Station. In addition Council will continue to strongly advocate for the provision of community infrastructure developments in the use of VPAs.

Council has determined that an additional 2,958m<sup>2</sup> of library floorspace is required to accommodate the needs of the North Sydney population. Fifty percent (50%) of the floorspace is proposed to be provided in St Leonards/Crows Nest and the balance (50%) at Ward Street, North Sydney.

Council will continue to levy for new library stock items to increase the capacity of available stock.

Council currently provides 370 of the total 2,686 childcare places in the North Sydney LGA. This is approximately 14% of the spaces available. Council proposes to continue to provide non-private childcare places at the current rate of provision. The additional spaces are intended to be provided in Forsyth Park Community Centre or McMahons Point Community Centre.

# 8.3.3 Nexus and apportionment

This plan levies s 7.11 contributions on residential accommodation and non-residential development on the basis that both residents and workers will generate demand for community facilities.

Residents demand these facilities more than workers. There is little up-to-date research on the relative demands for community facilities.<sup>27</sup> For the purposes of calculating s 7.11 contributions, Council has assumed the demand generated by each resident is the equivalent of demand generated by 5 workers. This relative demand reflects the same assumption used for open space and recreation facilities.

The provision of new community floorspace is to accommodate existing and future needs. Based on a commonly used standard of provision, new development would be accountable for 1,183m² of the additional 1,612m² of community floorspace proposed. The cost to provide community floorspace is \$4,800 per m².²8

The provision of new library floorspace is to accommodate existing and future needs. Based on NSW State library standards of provision<sup>29</sup> and online calculator<sup>30</sup>, new development would be accountable for 1,455m<sup>2</sup> of the additional 2,958m<sup>2</sup> of library floorspace proposed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> The relative demand varies between different types of community facilities. For example, the former Leichhardt area contributions plan in the 1990s identified a 1:10 resident/worker demand ratio for community facilities generally; the City of Sydney contributions plan (2015) identified a 1:1.6 resident/worker demand ratio for childcare centres; and the Bayside contributions plan (2018) covering the former Botany Bay area assumes 1:5 resident/worker demand ratio.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> There is no broadly-accepted planning benchmark for council-provided multi-purpose community centre floorspace. Many councils use a standard of between 80-100m<sup>2</sup> per 1,000 residents - for example, City of Sydney (100m<sup>2</sup>/1,000 people), Liverpool Council (85m<sup>2</sup>/1,000 people), Blacktown, Hills Shire and Hornsby Shire (all 80m<sup>2</sup>/1,000 people). In the interests of striking a reasonable contribution rate, Council has adopted a standard at the lower end of this range - 80m<sup>2</sup>/1,000 people - in determining the contribution rate in this plan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> People Places - A Guide for Public Library Buildings in New South Wales, Third Edition, 2012.

<sup>30</sup> Population based calculator accessed at <a href="https://www.sl.nsw.gov.au/public-library-services/population-based-library-calculator">https://www.sl.nsw.gov.au/public-library-services/population-based-library-calculator</a>

In the case of library stock items, new demand will be levied for its share of the new library items. Currently, library members comprise 63% residents and 37% non-residents. Current library stock is approximately 160,289 items shared between the total equivalent (resident and worker) population of 92,249. This equates to 1.7375 items per person. To continue this provision, the expected population growth of 14,782 will result in an additional demand of 25,685 items. The average cost per item is \$30 resulting in a total cost of \$770,550 over the life of the plan.

For childcare, there is currently 1 Council-run place for every 249 equivalent residents in the LGA.<sup>31</sup> To continue Council's rate of provision, the expected equivalent population growth of 14,782 will result in an additional demand of approximately 60 places. Council intends to provide 66 additional childcare places of which 60 places are to be funded by contributions. The average cost of providing a place is \$42,500.

# 8.3.4 Contribution rates calculation

The contribution formula for community facilities infrastructure can be expressed as follows:

Contribution per equivalent resident (\$ER) =  $\sum$  (  $\frac{\$INF}{ER}$ 

Contribution per worker = \$ER x WDW x NRW%

# Where:

\$INF = the apportioned estimated cost of providing each of the community facilities (refer works schedule in Appendix B).

ER = The expected equivalent residents that will generate the demand for the community facilities infrastructure (refer to 'Demand' column in Appendix B for values).

WDW = The worker demand weighting for this infrastructure type, being that one resident generates demand that is equivalent to 5 workers – the WDW is therefore 0.2.

NRW% = The average percentage of workers in the North Sydney LGA that did not live in the North Sydney LGA at the 2016 census - i.e. 86%.

To determine the total contribution that would apply to a proposed development, multiply the contribution rate by the proposed net additional residents or workers in the proposed development.

To determine the contribution rate per dwelling, multiply the contribution rate by the relevant assumed occupancy rate shown in Table 9.

Contribution calculations should also account for any demand credits pertaining to the existing development on the site.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Calculation: 75,021 residents (2018) + (86,138 non-resident workers (projected 2021) x 0.2 worker use weighting) = 92,249 equivalent residents / 370 existing Council child care places = 1 space for every 249 equivalent residents.

# 8.4 Active transport

### 8.4.1 Objectives

Provide improvements to active transport to meet the demands of the future resident and worker population.

# 8.4.2 Needs assessment and infrastructure strategy

North Sydney's local and regional road network needs to be managed effectively to improve pedestrian, cyclist and public transport user safety and amenity; facilitate access for local deliveries; and minimise the negative impacts of private vehicle traffic on priority mode groups.

There is currently a high reliance on private vehicles despite the existence of reliable train, bus and ferry services. A focus of this plan is to invest in active transport to help shift travel behaviour away from private vehicles. Council is committed to extend both on-road and off-road facilities within North Sydney, to provide a comprehensive and connected network that meets the needs of pedestrian and cyclists of all abilities and ages and links with the wider metropolitan network.

The North Sydney Transport Strategy (2017) is Council's principal transport planning and management policy. Council is working with stakeholders to improve public transport connections either directly and or through seeking grant funding through Federal and State government programs. Council's Traffic and Parking Management Strategy (2015) establishes a coordinated program of works and projects to manage traffic, parking, pedestrians and cyclists across the LGA.<sup>32</sup>

The North Sydney Integrated Cycling Strategy (2014) supports the delivery of new cycleways to help make cycling a safe, enjoyable and convenient everyday transport option for North Sydney residents, workers and visitors. This strategy identifies several new cycleway routes and shared pathways to augment the existing network. These projects focus on the installation of fully separated cycleways.<sup>33</sup> Council has also been delivering regional cycleway links in a co-funding partnership with the State Government. These cycleways identified as Routes 3, 4 and 5 will continue to be delivered.

Increasing road capacity to handle the extra trips generated by the additional populations has a very high cost relative to the benefits. Shifting travel behaviour away from dependence on private vehicles and towards public transport, cycling and walking is an appropriate and sustainable strategy for the future. Making it more attractive for residents and workers to use active transport modes for shorter trips encourages a healthier lifestyle.

### 8.4.3 Nexus and apportionment

This plan levies s 7.11 contributions on residential accommodation and non-residential (per worker) development.

Council's focus will be to make the best use of the street environment to accommodate the new growth by increasing the options for walking and cycling. As the network is well used by workers, the weighting of workers and residents is considered equal for active transport. Thus 1 worker

<sup>32</sup> North Sydney Local Strategic Planning Statement p41

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Ibid [41].

demand = 1 resident demand. The equivalent resident populations that are used to calculate contributions for active transport are shown in the works schedule in Appendix B.

The existing population of North Sydney enjoys the existing cycleway and pedestrian network provision shown below:

- On-road cycleways current provision is 6.649 km, which equates to 41 m per 1,000 residents and non-resident workers.
- Off-road cycleways current provision is 2.33 km, which equates to 14.5 m per 1,000 residents and non-resident workers.
- Shared paths current provision is 1.57 km, which equate to 9.7 m per 1,000 residents and non-resident workers.

If the existing benchmarks are applied to the new equivalent resident demand of 26,304 people, then the resulting need to meet the demand is a total of approximately 1.71 km made up of:

- 1,078 m of on-road cycleway,
- 381 m of off-road cycleway, and
- 255 m of shared paths.

The cost of the 1.71 km is required for the new demand created by the future equivalent residents in the North Sydney area. It is reasonable that, for the purposes of determining the contribution rate, the costs of the infrastructure works are apportioned to the future equivalent demand population of 26,304 equivalent residents.

For cycleways being co-funded by State Government, it is reasonable that, for the purposes of determining the contribution rate, the costs of the infrastructure works are apportioned to the total existing and future population of 179,232 equivalent residents.

#### Contribution rates calculation

The contribution formula for active transport infrastructure can be expressed as follows:

Contribution per equivalent resident (\$ER) = 
$$\sum \left( \frac{\$INF}{ER} \right)$$

Contribution per worker = \$ER x WDW x NRW%

# Where:

- \$INF = the apportioned estimated cost of providing each of the active transport facilities (refer works schedule in Appendix B).
- ER = The expected equivalent residents that will generate the demand for the active transport facilities infrastructure (refer to 'Demand' column in Appendix B for values).

WDW = The worker demand weighting for this infrastructure type, being that one resident generates demand is equivalent to one worker – the WDW is therefore 1.

NRW% = The average percentage of workers in the North Sydney LGA that did not live in the North Sydney LGA at the 2016 census - i.e. 86%.

To determine the total contribution that would apply to a proposed development, multiply the contribution rate by the proposed net additional residents or workers in the proposed development.

To determine the contribution rate per dwelling, multiply the contribution rate by the relevant assumed occupancy rate shown in Table 9.

Contribution calculations should also account for any demand credits pertaining to the existing development on the site.

#### 8.5 Public domain

### 8.5.1 Objectives

Provide upgrades to public domain facilities to meet the demands created by future residents.

### 8.5.2 Needs assessment and infrastructure strategy

The anticipated completion of the new Metro Stations at Crows Nest and Victoria Cross will have a transformative impact on North Sydney as it will dramatically improve the accessibility of the area to the rest of Sydney. This key infrastructure project is likely to drive jobs growth, particularly in North Sydney CBD and Crows Nest/St Leonards.

Station locations themselves will be destinations with a 'strong place focus' and high pedestrian activity which will require improvements to the surrounding walking network. Currently many footpaths are too narrow and waiting times at intersections are too long. Council will work collaboratively with the State Government to invest in projects that improve walking and cycling infrastructure in and around centres that provide access to high quality public transport.<sup>34</sup>

The quality of the public domain in North Sydney LGA is reasonably high. The anticipated increase in resident and worker populations will create demand for public domain improvements in and around centres due to the increased levels of pedestrian activity. Additional works will be required to provide a higher standard to improve the level of comfort, convenience, usability and amenity of public spaces.

Council intends to increase the level of pedestrian amenity in the public domain areas of all centres, but particularly in the places where additional populations are expected to be concentrated (i.e. in North Sydney CBD, and in Crows Nest/St Leonards).

The proposed works include improvement of pedestrian pavements, the widening of pedestrian areas (where possible), provision of street furniture, lighting, public art, signage and landscaping.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> North Sydney Local Strategic Planning Statement p26

# 8.5.3 Nexus and apportionment

North Sydney CBD is the main centre and a significant employment destination in the North Sydney LGA. Council has identified a range of improvements to North Sydney CBD, Crows Nest and St Leonards to accommodate the increased population that is expected to reside and work in future. As the public domain is highly used by workers during the week it is considered that the relative demand for these facilities between residents and workers is the same. The equivalent resident populations that are used to calculate contributions for public domain improvements are shown in Appendix B.

As the improvement works in the North Sydney CBD, Crows Nest and St Leonards are primarily needed to meet the demand arising from new residents and workers, it is reasonable that the contribution rate assumes that the costs are met entirely by the future resident and worker growth populations.

Public domain works have also been identified for those other centres in the North Sydney LGA where much more modest population growth is expected. The centres include the Education Precinct, Milson's Point, Cremorne, Blue Point Rd Activity strip, Neutral Bay, Cammeray, Eden Neighbourhood, Kirribilli, Waverton, Bradfield Park precinct and Wollstonecraft. In addition, allocation has been made to the undergrounding of powerlines. Access to better public domain spaces will be important to the growth population to offset the lack of private open space available in the higher density residential complexes. However, it is considered that the improvements in these locations are not primarily driven by growth (which is anticipated to be limited) but by the entire population.

#### 8.5.4 Contributions rate calculation

The contribution formula for public domain infrastructure can be expressed as follows:

Contribution per equivalent resident (\$ER)= 
$$\sum$$
 (  $\frac{\$INF}{ER}$  )

Contribution per worker = \$ER x WDW x NRW%

#### Where:

\$INF = the apportioned estimated cost of providing each of the public domain works (refer works schedule in Appendix B).

ER = The expected equivalent residents that will generate the demand for the public domain infrastructure (refer to 'Demand' column in Appendix B for values).

WDW = The worker demand weighting for this infrastructure type, being that one resident generates demand is equivalent to one worker – the WDW is therefore 1.

NRW% = The average percentage of workers in the North Sydney LGA that did not live in the North Sydney LGA at the 2016 census - i.e. 86%.

To determine the total contribution that would apply to a proposed development, multiply the contribution rate by the proposed net additional residents or workers in the proposed development.

To determine the contribution rate per dwelling, multiply the contribution rate by the relevant assumed occupancy rate shown in Table 9.

Contribution calculations should also account for any demand credits pertaining to the existing development on the site.

#### 8.6 Plan administration

#### 8.6.1 Objectives

Implement and manage this plan so that the contributions remain reasonable over the life of the plan, and that the infrastructure is provided in a reasonable time.

#### 8.6.2 Strategy

Council is required to manage, monitor and maintain the contributions plan. This plan has been prepared in order to allow contributions to be levied on development so that infrastructure demands can be satisfied. The costs that Council has incurred in this regard include the commissioning of external experts to prepare the plan text and works schedules. The effective coordination and administration of the plan will involve many tasks, some of which include the following:

- Monitoring the receipt of contributions.
- Recommending to Council the appropriate management and expenditure of funds in accordance with the adopted works schedules.
- Monitoring and programming works identified in the works schedules including design works and land acquisition.
- Determining the appropriate time for provision of public facilities having regard to the works schedule, the availability of funds, demand generated by development, the time funds have been held, expected additional funds, alternative and supplementary funding sources and maintenance implications.
- Assessing whether a credit or reassessment of the contribution may be appropriate and how that may be determined.
- Reviewing and determining the suitability of any works in kind and material public benefits proposed by a developer.
- Preparing and making available the accountability information as required by the EP&A Regulation.
- Providing advice to applicants and the general public regarding the operation of the plan.
- Commissioning of consultant studies and advice in relation to the efficacy of the development and demand assumptions of the contributions plan.
- Plan reviews.

These activities will be undertaken by both in-house staff and external consultants.

# 8.6.3 Nexus, apportionment and calculation of contribution rates

Plan administration costs arise directly as a result of future development. Therefore, it is reasonable that the costs associated with preparing and administering this plan be recouped through contributions from development in the area.

Costs associated with the ongoing administration and management of the contributions plan will be levied on all applications that are required to make a financial contribution under this plan.

Costs included in this plan for management and administration are determined based on the IPART benchmark<sup>35</sup> of an allowance equivalent to 1.5% of the cost of construction works that are to be met by development approved under this plan.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal of New South Wales (2014), *Local Infrastructure Benchmark Costs*, p63

# APPENDIX B: INFRASTRUCTURE SCHEDULE AND LOCATION MAPS



# APPENDIX C: COST SUMMARY REPORTS



# **COST SUMMARY REPORT**

Development Cost from \$0 to \$1,000,000

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION No:	_ Reference:
COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE APPLICATION	N No:
CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE No:	Date:
APPLICANTS NAME:	
APPLICANTS ADDRESS:	
DEVELOPMENT NAME:	
DEVELOPMENT ADDRESS:	
ANALYSIS OF DEVELOPMENT COSTS:	
Item	Amount (\$)
Demolition and alterations	
Hydraulic services	
Structure	
Mechanical services	
External walls, windows and doors	
Fire services	
Internal walls, screens and doors	
Demolition and alterations	
Lift services	
Wall finishes	
External works	
Floor finishes	
External services	

Ceiling finishes

Item	Amount (\$)
Other related work	
Fittings and equipment	
Preliminaries and margin	
Subtotal:	
Consultant fees	
Other related development costs	
Goods and services tax (GST)	
TOTAL DEVELOPMENT COST:	

# I certify that I have:

- Inspected the plans the subject of the application for development consent or construction certificate.
- Calculated the development costs at current prices and in accordance with the definition of development costs in clause 25J of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000*.
- Included GST in the calculation of development costs.

Signed:	_ Date:
Name:	_
Position and Qualifications:	

# **DETAILED COST SUMMARY REPORT**

# **REGISTERED\* QUANTITY SURVEYOR'S DETAILED COST REPORT**

Development Cost in excess of \$1,000,001

*A member of the Australian Ins	tit	ute of Quan	tity Surveyors (AIQS)						
DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION No	o: _		Reference:						
COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CEF	RTI	FICATE APPL	ICATION No:						
CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE No	o: _		Date:						
APPLICANTS NAME:									
APPLICANTS ADDRESS:									
DEVELOPMENT NAME:									
DEVELOPMENT ADDRESS:									
DEVELOPMENT DETAILS:									
Gross Floor Area – commercial		m <sup>2</sup>	Gross Floor Area – other		m²				
Gross Floor Area – residential		m <sup>2</sup>	Total Gross Floor Area		m <sup>2</sup>				
Gross Floor Area – retail		m <sup>2</sup>	Total site area		m²				
Gross Floor Area – car parking		m <sup>2</sup>	Total car parking spaces						
Total development cost	\$								
Total construction cost	\$								
Total GST	\$								
ESTIMATE DETAILS:									
Professional Fees		\$	Excavation	\$					
% of development cost			Cost per m <sup>2</sup> of site area						
% of construction cost			Car Park						
Demolition and Site Preparation	on		Cost per m <sup>2</sup> of site area						
Cost per m <sup>2</sup> of site area			Cost per space						
Construction Commercial									

Professional Fees	\$	Excavation	\$				
Cost per m² commercial area		Cost per m² of commercial area					
Construction Residential		Fit-out – Residential					
Cost per m <sup>2</sup> of residential area		Cost per m <sup>2</sup> of residential area					
Construction Retail		Fit out – Retail					
Cost per m <sup>2</sup> of retail area		Cost per m <sup>2</sup> of retail area					

#### I certify that I have:

- Inspected the plans the subject of the application for development consent or construction certificate.
- Prepared and attached an elemental estimate generally prepared in accordance with the Australian Cost Management Manual from the Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors (AIQS).
- Calculated the development costs in accordance with the definition of development costs in clause 25J of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000*.
- Included GST in the calculation of development costs.
- Measured gross floor areas in accordance with the Method of Measurement of Building Area in the Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors Cost Management Manual Volume 1, Appendix A2.

Signed:	
Name:	
Position and Qualifications:	

# North Sydney Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan 2020 Open space and recreation facilities

Map Ref	Item description 1	Item description 2	Project reference	Total works cost (\$)	Estimated Income from plan (\$)	%	Nexus	Demand	Rate per equivalent resident (\$)	Priority	Staging/timing
	Strategic land acquisitions to meet additional ne	reds for open space									
OS1	1 Balls Head Dr, Waverton	Quarantine Boat Depot	North Sydney Visitor Economy Strategy 2019	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	100%	Growth	14,782.31	\$135.30		
	Capital works to increase carrying capacity										
	(a) New acquisition embellishments Embellishment of properties	Total area new parks (2,845m2)		\$3,414,000	\$3,414,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$230.95		
	1 Balls Head Dr, Waverton	Embellishment Quarantine Boat Depot	North Sydney Visitor Economy Strategy 2019	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$135.30		
	(b) Outdoor sports facilities										
OS2	North Sydney Oval	Install outdoor video screen	North Sydney Oval Business Plan 2014	\$618,000	\$86,687	14%	Existing + growth	105,385	\$5.86		2020-2021
		Oval upgrade / resurfacing Upgrade to Mollie Dive stand and toilet facilities	North Sydney Oval Business Plan 2014 North Sydney Oval Business Plan 2014	\$500,000 \$1,750,000	\$70,135 \$245,472	14% 14%	Existing + growth Existing + growth	105,385 105,385	\$4.74 \$16.61		2022-2023 2021-2023
		New grandstand seating	North Sydney Oval Business Plan 2014	\$700,000	\$98,189	14%	Existing + growth	105,385	\$6.64		2021-2023
OS3	Forsyth Park	Upgrade sportsfield oval surface	NSROC Regional Sportsground Study	\$332,000	\$332,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$22.46		2019-2020
OS4	Anderson Park	Sportsfield relocation closer to amenities block	Anderson Park Masterplan	\$464,000	\$464,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$31.39		2022-2023
OS5	Primrose Park	Drainage upgrade	CAPEX	\$300,000	\$300,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$20.29		2021-2029
	(c) Indoor sports facilities										
OS6	Hume Street Park	Stage 2 works:	Council Resolution 21 September 2015	\$3,956,700	\$3,956,700	100%	Growth	14,782	\$267.66		2020-2022
		Widen verges on western side of Clarke and Oxley St and construction of new road and footpath									
	Hume Street Park	Stage 3 works:	Council Resolution 21 September 2015	\$67,361,250	\$33,680,625	50%	Growth	14,782	\$2,278.44		2025-2036
		Relocate sports centre and close carpark									
		Demolish existing buildings and carpark									
		Construct new multipurpose and sports facility, car park, Plaza									
	(d) Playground upgrades and new										
OS7	Sirius Street, Cremorne	Playground upgrade	Playgrounds Plan of Management 2016	\$200,000	\$200,000	100%	Growth	14,782			2019-2020
OS8 OS9	St Thomas' Rest Park, Crows Nest Grasmere Children's Park, Cremorne	Playground upgrade Playground upgrade	Playgrounds Plan of Management 2016 Playgrounds Plan of Management 2016	\$150,000 \$300,000	\$150,000 \$300,000	100% 100%	Growth Growth	14,782 14,782	\$20.29		2019-2020 2020-2021
OS10	Merrett Playground, Waverton	Playground upgrade	Playgrounds Plan of Management 2016	\$300,000	\$300,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$20.29		2021-2022
OS11	Fred Hutley Reserve, Cammeray	Playground upgrade	Playgrounds Plan of Management 2016	\$350,000	\$350,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$23.68		2021-2022
OS12	Prior Avenue Reserve, Cremorne	Playground upgrade	Playgrounds Plan of Management 2016	\$250,000	\$250,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$16.91		2021-2022
OS13	Lodge Road Playground, Cremorne	Playground upgrade	Playgrounds Plan of Management 2016	\$300,000	\$300,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$20.29		2021-2022
OS14 OS15	Victoria Street Playground, McMahons Point Cahill Playground, Crows Nest	Playground upgrade Playground upgrade	Playgrounds Plan of Management 2016 Playgrounds Plan of Management 2016	\$200,000 \$250,000	\$200,000 \$250,000	100% 100%	Growth Growth	14,782 14,782	\$13.53 \$16.91		2021-2022 2021-2022
OS15 OS16	Phillips Street Playground, Neutral Bay	Playground upgrade	Playgrounds Plan of Management 2016	\$250,000	\$250,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$16.91		2021-2022
OS17	Bradfield Park Playground, Milsons Point	Playground upgrade	Playgrounds Plan of Management 2016	\$500,000	\$500,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$33.82		2023
OS18	Cammeray Park Playground, Cammeray	New playground	Playgrounds Plan of Management 2016	\$250,000	\$250,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$16.91		2025
	Playground upgrades	1 per year (2026 - 2036)	Playgrounds Plan of Management 2016	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$135.30		2026-2036
	(e) Parks and recreation - general										
OS19	Storage facilities for small watercraft	Various locations - may include: Sawmillers Reserve/Boatbuilders Walk	Watercraft Storage Strategy 2018 Recreation Needs Study 2015	\$2,400,000	\$336,648	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$22.77		2020-2036
		Primrose Park									
		Sugarworks Reserve/John Street									
		Tunks Park									
		Milson Park									
		Anderson Park Allowance \$150K per year for the life of the plan									
OS20	Cammeray Skate Plaza	Refurbishment and upgrade	Playgrounds Methodology Document	\$350,000	\$350,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$23.68		2020-2029
OS21	Waverton Peninsula	Coal Loader Site remaining works	Waverton Peninsula Strategic Masterplan 2000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$67.65		2020-2029
3321		Coal Loader Wharf adaptive Use	Waverton Peninsula Strategic Masterplan 2000	\$3,700,000	\$3,700,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$250.30		2020-2029
OS22	Lavender Bay Parklands	Watt Park upgrade - pathways and lighting	Lavender Bay Parklands Masterplan	\$300,000	\$300,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$20.29		2020-2029
OS23	Anderson Park	Stage 1 - Foreshore Works	Foreshore Parks & Reserves PoM 2017 Anderson Park Masterplan	\$100,000	\$14,027	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$0.95		2019-2020
0323	, and craoti i and	Stage 3 - Foreshore works Stage 3 - Furniture, fitness equipment, landscaping and boardwalk	Anderson Park Wasterplan Anderson Park Masterplan	\$1,280,000	\$1,280,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$86.59		
			**								2019-2020

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OS24	Bradfield Park	Central - Burton St tunnel lighting	Bradfield Park and Kirribilli Foreshore Masterplan 1999	\$80,000	\$11,222	14%		105,385	\$0.76		2019-2020
		South foreshore Stage 1	Bradfield Park and Kirribilli Foreshore Masterplan 2000	\$100,000	\$14,027	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$0.95		2019-2020
		South foreshore Stage 2	Bradfield Park and Kirribilli Foreshore Masterplan 2001	\$1,000,000	\$140,270	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$9.49		2020-2021
OS25 OS26	Bradfield Park South Cremorne Reserve	Remediation and implementation of Masterplan Robertson's Point lookout upgrade	Bradfield Park and Kirribilli Foreshore Masterplan 1999 Cremorne Reserve Masterplan	\$6,500,000 \$100,000	\$911,754 \$14,027	14% 14%	Existing + Growth Existing + Growth	105,385 105,385	\$61.68 \$0.95		2024-2029 2019-2020
0320	Cremone Reserve	Robertson's Point Tookout apgrade	Cremome Reserve Masterplan	\$100,000	\$14,027	14/0	Existing - Growth	103,383	\$0.55		2019-2020
OS27	St Leonards Park	Implementation of Masterplan in stages:	St Leonards Park Masterplan 2018								
		Stage 1	St Leonards Park CMP 2015 St Leonards Park CMP 2015	\$2,000,000 \$1,200,000	\$2,000,000 \$1,200,000	100% 100%	Growth Growth	14,782 14,782	\$135.30 \$81.18		2019-2020 2020-2021
		Stage 2 Stage 3	St Leonards Park CMP 2015 St Leonards Park CMP 2015	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$81.18		2020-2021
		Stage 4	St Leonards Park CMP 2015	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$81.18		2022-2023
		Stage 5	St Leonards Park CMP 2015	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$81.18		2023-2024
		Stage 6	St Leonards Park CMP 2015	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$202.95		2024-2029
OS28	Tunks Park	Implementation of Masterplan - works include: Upgrade foreshore area with seating, bubblers, picnic tables and BBQ facilities Provide kayak storage Upgrade path - Judith Ambler Reserve to Currawang St Install additional fitness equipment Construct perimeter walking track and improve drainage on existing track Landscaping and trees	Tunks Park Masterplan 2019								
		Stage 1	Tunks Park Masterplan 2019	\$300,000	\$300,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$20.29		2019-2021
		Stage 2	Tunks Park Masterplan 2019	\$1,300,000	\$1,300,000	100%	Growth	14,782	\$87.94		2022-2029
OS29	Public amenities upgrades	Blues Point Reserve		\$400,000	\$56,108	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$3.80		2019-2020
OS29	r abite differences approach	Kesterton Park		\$350,000	\$49,094	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$3.32		2021-2023
OS29		Brennan Park		\$400,000	\$56,108	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$3.80		2021-2023
OS29		Waverton Park		\$500,000	\$70,135	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$4.74		2021-2023
OS29		Forsyth Park		\$400,000	\$56,108	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$3.80		2021-2023
OS29		1 per year for the remaining 10 years of the plan		\$2,500,000	\$350,675	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$23.72		2024-2029
OS30	Bush walking track upgrades	Various locations - may include: Berry Island Reserve Badangi Reserve Primrose Park Gore Cove/Smoothey Park Brightmore Reserve Forsyth Park Tunks Park	Bushland POM Recreation Needs Study 2015	\$2,480,000	\$347,869	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$23.53		2019-2029
OS31	Community Garden Projects	1 project per year over the life of the plan (\$80K per annum): - Grasmere Reserve - French St. McMalhons Point - Jenkins St, Cammeray - Ibery Reserve, Neutral Bay - Chandos St, Crows Nest.	Neighbourhood Parks PoM	\$1,280,000	\$179,545	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$12.15		2019-2029
OS32	Smoothey Park	Access improvements	Smoothey Park PoM 2016	\$323,000	\$45,307	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$3.06		2019-2020
OS33	Henry Lawson Steps	Upgrade	Council resolution 2018 OSE03	\$250,000	\$35,067	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$2.37		2020-2021
OS34	Kurraba Reserve Entry Road	Upgrade	Council resolution 2018 OSE04	\$110,000	\$15,430	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$1.04		2020-2021
OS35	Hodgson Lookout	Refurbishment	Council resolution 2018 OSE05	\$250,000	\$35,067	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$2.37		2020-2021
OS36	Kurraba Reserve	Heritage fence works	Council resolution 2018 OSE06	\$150,000	\$21,040	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$1.42		2020-2021
OS37	Balls Head Road	Link track and boardwalk to Quarantine Station	Recreation Needs Study 2015	\$250,000	\$35,067	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$2.37		2020-2021
OS38	Primrose Park	Water Access Project	Foreshore Access Strategy 2006	\$1,000,000	\$140,270	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$9.49		2021-2036
	Park fencing	New and upgrades - annual program over life of plan	CAPEX	\$1,648,000	\$231,165	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$15.64		2019-2036
	Park furniture	New and upgrades - annual program over life of plan	CAPEX	\$1,328,000	\$186,278	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$12.60		2020-2036
	Park paths	New and upgrades - annual program over life of plan	CAPEX	\$3,280,000	\$460,085	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$31.12		2020-2036
	Park signage	New and upgrades - annual program over life of plan	CAPEX	\$480,000	\$67,330	14%	Existing + Growth	105,385	\$4.55		2020-2036
	(f) Aquatic Facilities										

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OS39	North Sydney Olympic Pool	Demolition of existing and redevelopment to include replacement pools, additional family leisure pool and water play area, gym/fitness space, grandstand, café, meeting room and amenities	Council resolution 25 Mar 19	\$57,900,000	\$5,705,972	10% E	xisting + Growth and external visitors	150,000	\$386.00		
		Total:	With land	\$192,284,950	\$79,563,505				\$5,382.35		
			Without land	\$190,284,950							
_			Land component	\$2,000,000							
Comm	unity Facilities										
Council list Ref	Item description 1	Item description 2	Project reference or benchmark	Total works cost (\$)	Estimated Income from plan (\$)	%	Nexus	Demand	Rate per equivalent resident (\$)	Priority	Staging/timing
C1	Childcare	60 new spaces to be provided out of 66 that council provides overall. This is likely to be in Forsyth Park Community Centre or McMahons Point Community Centre. Cost is \$42,500 per place	Current Council provision of 370 spaces per 92,249 equivalent residents (resident workers excluded) Only 60 places can be funded by	\$2,805,000	\$2,550,000	91%	Growth	14,782	\$172.50		
C2	Community Facilities	Additional 1,612m2 of community floorspace proposed near Crows Nest Station @\$4,800/m2	growth  Northern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils  (NSROC) Social & Community Infrastructure Strategy  (December 2019) Based on standard of 80m2 per 1,000  persons attributable to growth - i.e. approx 1,183m2	\$7,737,600	\$5,678,400	73%	Growth	14,782	\$384.13		
С3	Library Floor Space	Additional 2,958m2 - 50% at Crows Nest/St Leonards and the remaining 50% at Ward Street, North Sydney	Historical Services Strategic Plan 2016-2021. State Library standards population based calculator. Assuming growth of 11,902 residents and 14,402 non- resident workers - i.e. approx 1,455m2.	\$14,198,400	\$6,984,000	49%	Growth	14,782	\$472.46		
C4	Library Books - New book stock	25,685 items with an average cost of \$30 per item. Stanton Library and other proposed library sites.	Current Council provision is approx 1.73 items per equivalent resident	\$770,550	\$770,550	100%	Growth	14,782	\$52.13		
		Total:		\$25,511,550	\$15,982,950				\$1,081.22		
Public	domain facilities			\$13,432,950							
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PD1	North Sydney CBD	Upgrade lighting, new furniture, footpaths & landscaping	Ward Street Masterplan, Public Domain Style Manual, NSC Public Domain Lighting code & Masterplan Public Domain Style Manual	\$44,551,290	\$44,551,290	100%	Growth	26,034	\$1,711.27		
PD2	Crows Nest	Upgrade lighting, new furniture, footpaths & landscaping	Public Domain Style Manual, NSC Public Domain Lighting code & Masterplan	\$14,837,568	\$14,837,568	100%	Growth	26,034	\$569.93		
PD3	St Leonards	Upgrade lighting, new furniture, footpaths & landscaping	Public Domain Style Manual, NSC Public Domain Lighting code & Masterplan	\$4,870,080	\$4,870,080	100%	Growth	26,034	\$187.07		
PD4	Education Precinct	Upgrade lighting, new furniture, footpaths & landscaping	Public Domain Style Manual, NSC Public Domain Lighting code & Masterplan	\$11,452,770		15%	Existing + Growth	179,232	\$63.90		

Lighting code & Masterplan

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Public Domain Style Manual, NSC Public Domain

\$7,037,568

\$8,586,480

\$5,053,056

\$4,911,840

\$1,022,228

\$1,247,213

\$733,972

\$713,460

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Upgrade lighting, new furniture, footpaths & landscaping

PD5

PD6

PD7

PD8

Milsons Point Village

Blues Point Rd Activity Strip

Cremorne Village

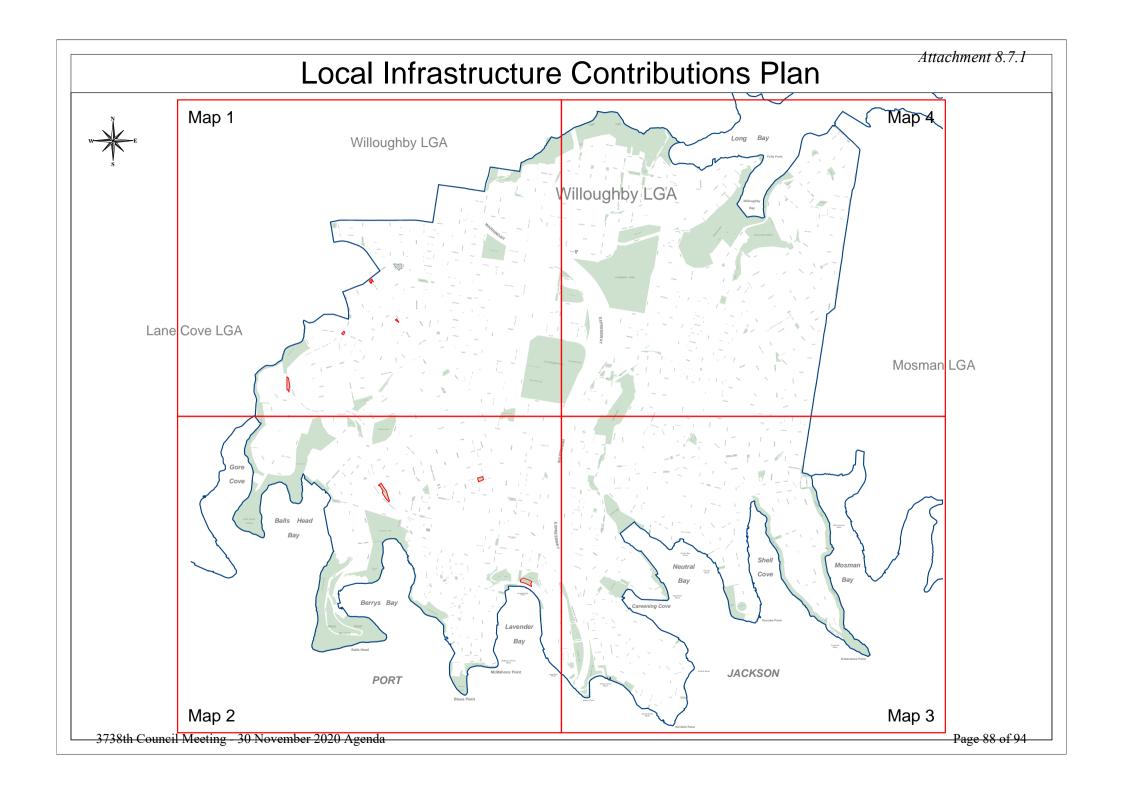
Neutral Bay Village

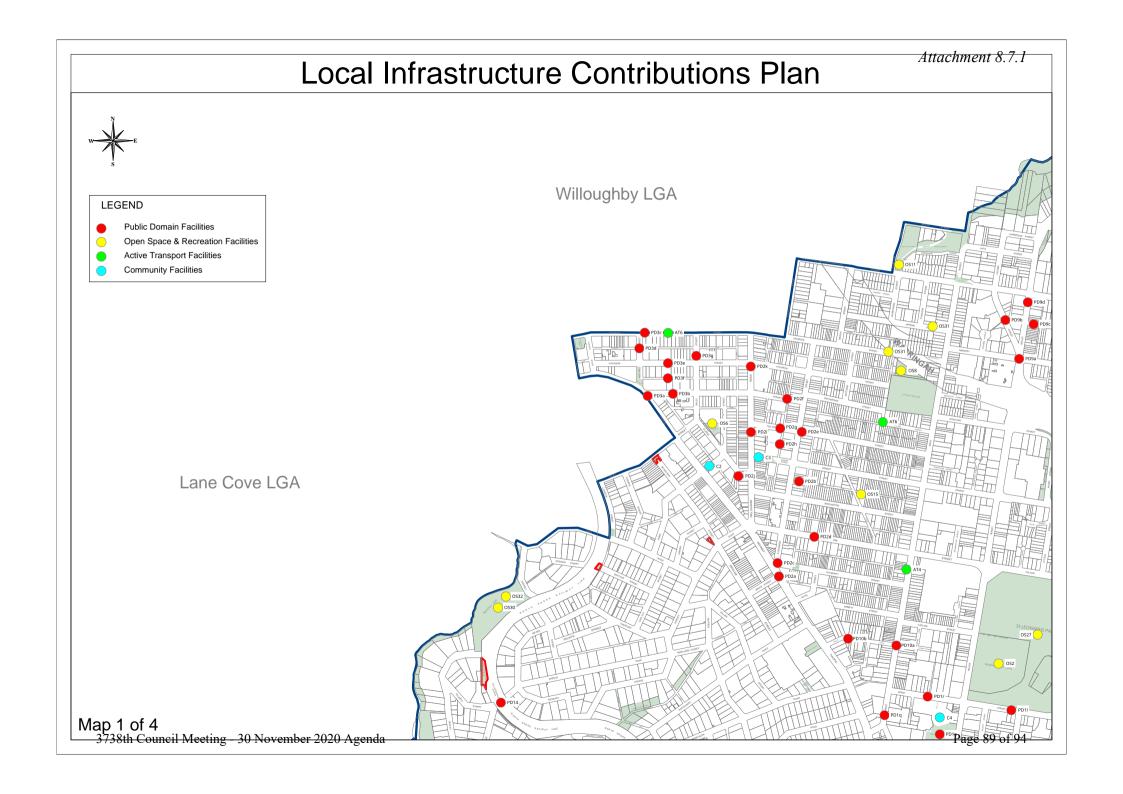
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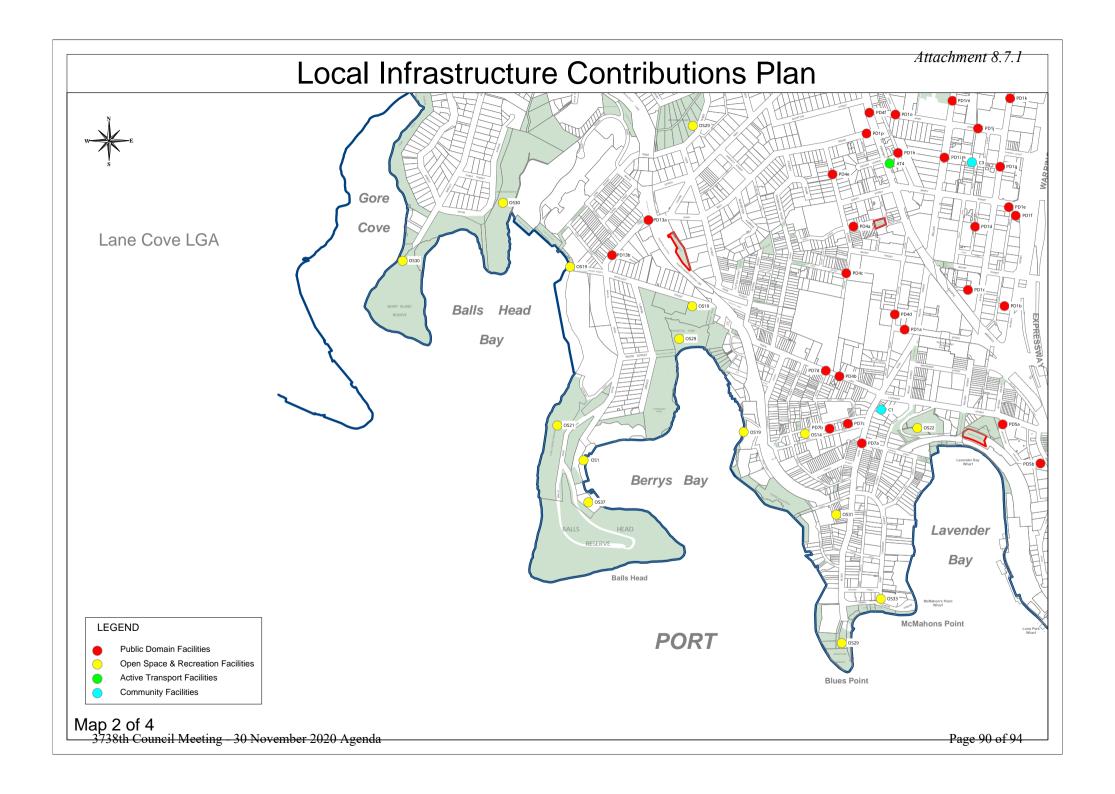
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PD9	Cammeray Village	Upgrade lighting, new furniture, footpaths & landscaping	Public Domain Style Manual, NSC Public Domain Lighting code & Masterplan	\$3,662,400	\$531,975	15%	Existing + Growth	179,232	\$20.43		
PD10	Eden Neighbourhood	Upgrade lighting, new furniture, footpaths & landscaping	Public Domain Style Manual, NSC Public Domain Lighting code & Masterplan	\$2,045,472	\$297,111	15%	Existing + Growth	179,232	\$11.41		
PD11	Kirribilli Village	Upgrade lighting, new furniture, footpaths & landscaping	Public Domain Style Manual, NSC Public Domain Lighting code & Masterplan	\$1,711,008	\$248,529	15%	Existing + Growth	179,232	\$9.55		
PD12	Bradfield Park Precinct	Upgrade lighting, new furniture, footpaths & landscaping	Public Domain Style Manual, NSC Public Domain Lighting code & Masterplan	\$1,521,408	\$220,989	15%	Existing + Growth	179,232	\$8.49		
PD13	Waverton	Upgrade lighting, new furniture, footpaths & landscaping	Public Domain Style Manual, NSC Public Domain Lighting code & Masterplan	\$978,912	\$142,190	15%	Existing + Growth	179,232	\$5.46		
PD14	Wollstonecraft	Upgrade lighting, new furniture, footpaths & landscaping	Public Domain Style Manual, NSC Public Domain Lighting code & Masterplan	\$514,080	\$74,672	15%	Existing + Growth	179,232	\$2.87		
PD15	Priority 1 Area	Undergrounding Power Lines		\$43,925,419	\$6,380,302	15%	Existing + Growth	179,232	\$245.08		
PD16	LGA wide	Street tree planting program (\$230K per year)	CAPEX	\$3,680,000	\$534,531	15%	Existing + Growth	179,232	\$20.53		
PD17	LGA wide	Streets Alive Program (\$251K per year)	CAPEX	\$4,016,000	\$583,336	15%	Existing + Growth	179,232	\$22.41		
		Total:		\$163,355,351	\$78,652,997				\$3,021.16		

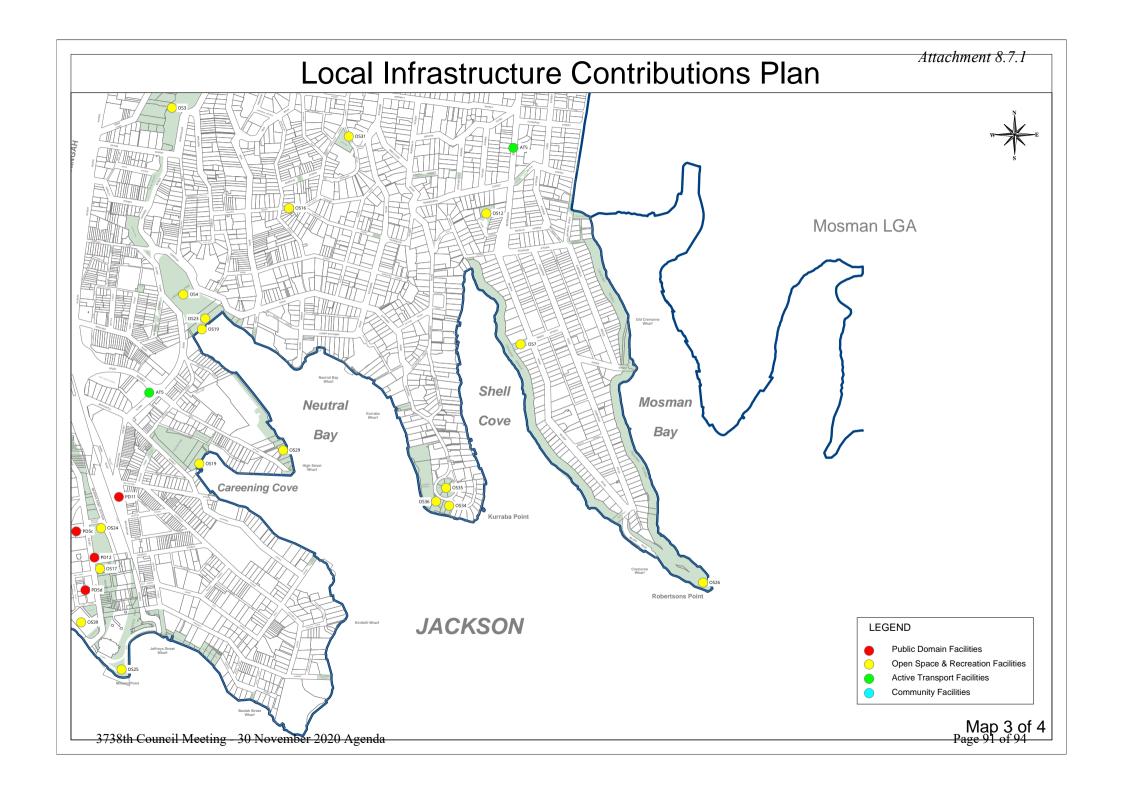
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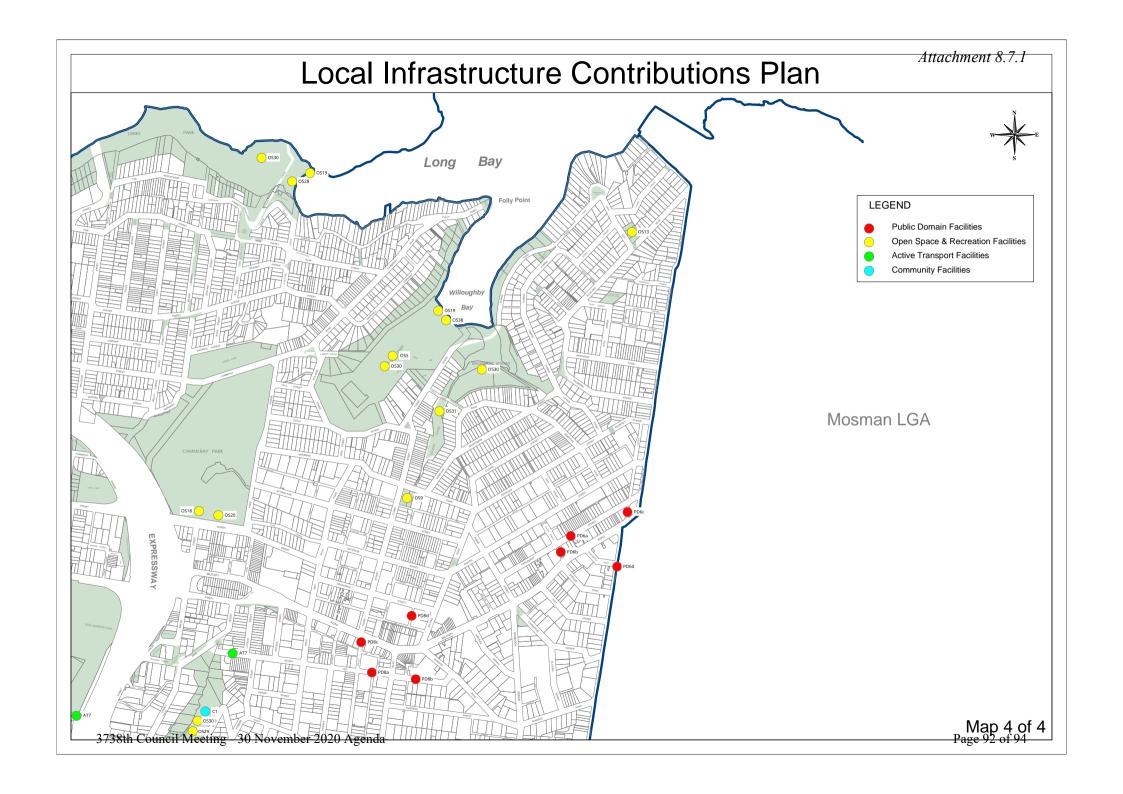
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	Cycle paths										
AT1	On-road cycleways (new)	1,078 m	North Sydney Integrated Cycling Strategy 2014	\$1,078,446	\$1,078,446	100%	Growth	26,304	\$41.00		
AT2	Off-road cycleways (new)	381 m	North Sydney Integrated Cycling Strategy 2014	\$686,523	\$686,523	100%	Growth	26,304	\$26.10		
AT3	Shared paths (new)	255 m	North Sydney Integrated Cycling Strategy 2014	\$459,260	\$459,260	100%	Growth	26,304	\$17.46		
AT4	Route 1	Northshore Cycleway. Separated cycle path between Naremburn and Sydney Harbour Bridge (Regional Route State Government Funding) (approx 2.5km)	North Sydney Integrated Cycling Strategy 2014	\$4,500,000	\$660,407	15%	Existing + growth	179,232	\$25.11		
AT5	Route 3	Sydney Harbour Bridge to Neutral Bay - proposed 100% on-road cycle route (approx 3km)	North Sydney Integrated Cycling Strategy 2014	\$4,500,000	\$660,407	15%	Existing + growth	179,232	\$25.11		
AT6	Route 4	Cammeray to Crows Nest - mainly on-road cycle route with short sections of separate cycle paths (approx 850m)	North Sydney Integrated Cycling Strategy 2014	\$2,000,000	\$293,514	15%	Existing + growth	179,232	\$11.16		
AT7	Route 5	North Sydney to Cremorne - approximate 50% on-road and 50% off-road cycle route (approx 2.5km)	North Sydney Integrated Cycling Strategy 2014	\$4,500,000	\$660,407	15%	Existing + growth	179,232	\$25.11		
			Total:	\$17,724,229	\$4,498,964				\$171.04		









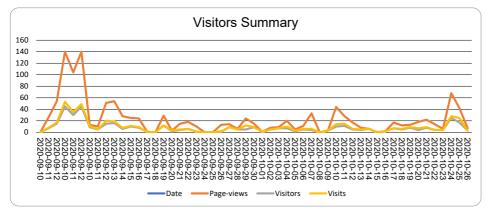


Attachment 3 – Details on the applicable rates to different types of development.

Residential	Development Type	Rate
	Group homes (per room)	\$9,775
	Hostels (per room)	\$9,775
	Studios	\$13,685
	Secondary Dwellings	\$13,685
	Boarding house rooms	\$13,685
	1-bedroom dwellings	\$13,685
	2-bedroom dwellings	\$19,550
	3&4-bedroom dwellings	\$20,000 (capped)
Commercial	Rate to be levied based upon a per	\$3,893 per worker.
	worker rate.	

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# 07-Mar-2016 to 04-Nov-2020



PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS	#
Total Visits	501
New Registrations	0
Video views	0
Photo Views	0
Document Downloads	334

Engaged Participants	4		
Engaged Actions Performed	Registered	Unverified	Anonymous
Contributed on Forums	0	0	0
Participated in Surveys	0	0	4
Contributed to Newsfeeds	0	0	0
Participated in Quick Polls	0	0	0
Posted on Guestbooks	0	0	0
Contributed to Stories	0	0	0
Asked Questions	0	0	0
Placed Pins on Places	0	0	0
Contributed to Ideas	0	0	0

Tool Type	SurveyTools	
Engagement Tool Name	Submission Form	
Tool Status	Archived	
Visitors	42	
Anonymous contributors	4	

Informed Participants	171	318
Actions Performed	Informed Participants	Aware Participants
Viewed a video	0	
Viewed a photo	0	
Downloaded a document	134	
Visited the key dates page	0	
Visited an FAQ list Page	29	
Visited at least one page		318
Visited Instagram Page	0	
Visited multiple project pages	152	
Contributed to a tool (engaged)	4	

Engagement Tools	#
Forum Topics	0
Qandas	0
Guestbooks	0
Quick Polls	0
Places	0
Stories	0
News Feeds	0
Survey Tools	1
Ideas	0

Information Widget Summary	Documents
Documents	6
Photos	0
Videos	0
FAQS	1
Key Dates	0

Widget Type	Engagement Tool Name	Visitors	Downloads/Views
Document	North Sydney Local Infrastructure	91	126
Document	Key Facts (infograph).pdf	40	63
Document	Location Maps.pdf	40	46
Document	Infrastructure Schedule.pdf	37	47
	Council report (decision) 24		
	August 2020 - Item 8.9 Public		
	Exhibition of Draft Local		
Document	Infrastructure Contributions Plan	31	44
	Community Engagement Strategy		
	- Infrastructure Contributions		
Document	Plan.pdf	8	8
FAQ	faqs	29	36