PLAN OF MANAGEMENT FOR COMMUNITY LANDS

(Part 2, Division 2 of the Local Government Act, 1993)

COMMUNITY LAND

Manly Road and Battle Boulevarde



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1. DESCRIPTION

1.1 Title, Area, Ownership

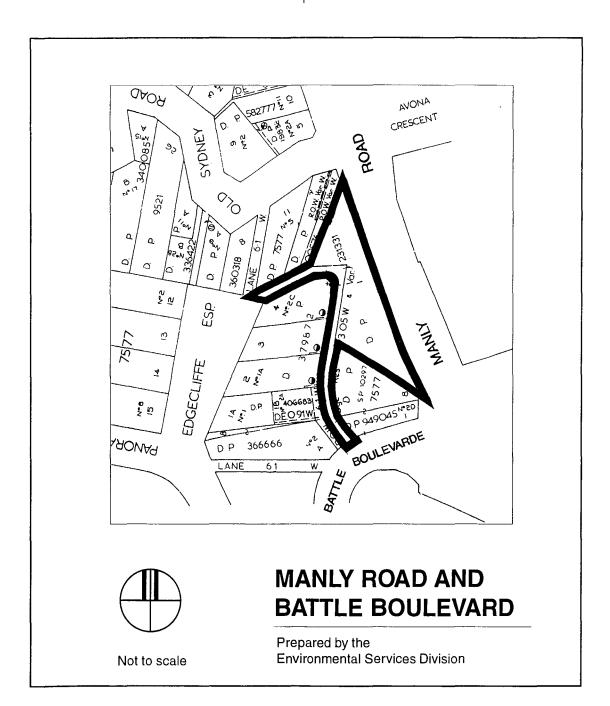
Title: Asset Management Nos. 74 & 115 Land within DP 7577 Edgecliffe Esplanade to Battle Boulevarde, Seaforth. Lot 1, DP 231331, Volume 10484, Folio 171 Manly Road near Spit Bridge, Seaforth.

Area: No. 74 413m² No. 115 1834m²

Owner: Manly Council

1.2 Landform, Vegetation, Use

This area includes a drainage easement and an escarpment area adjacent to Manly Road close to the Spit Bridge. The drainage reserve provides access between Edgecliffe Esplanade and Battle Boulevarde for adjoining residential property. Existing vegetation consists of overgrown and weed infected bushland.



1.3 Links to Other Areas and Adjacent Land

The drainage reserve in particular provides pedestrian access between The Spit and the upper levels of the escarpment. Adjacent land is primarily residential land and Manly Road.

- 1.4 Reserve History
- 1.5 Available Plans
- 1.6 Leases
- 1.7 Council File References

2. CONTEXT

2.1 Classification under the Local Government Act, 1993

The park is classified as Community Land and is categorised as General Community Use and Natural Area -Bushland.

The drainage reserve is subject to reclassification to Community Land.

2.2 Other Applicable Legislation

- Manly Local Environmental Plan 1988
- Zoning: Open Space.

2.3 Reports and Studies

Landscape Study, 1977.

3. STATEMENT OF FUNCTION AND VALUE

3.1 Values and Function of the Land

The Community Lands at Battle
Boulevarde and Manly Road are primarily
of district and local significance in terms
of their recreational value providing
convenient access linkages between the
escarpment and the Spit. The area also
has natural and visual significance on a
local level.

VALUE AND FUNCTION	SIGNIFICANCE						
	Local	District	Regional	Metropolitan	State	National	International
Natural							
Visual	•	•					
Social	•						
Recreational	1						
Cultural							
Educational							
Future Generational							
Heritage							

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4. MANAGEMENT

4.1 Means of Achieving the Objectives

The draft plan of management for community land is based on 15 objectives. Those applicable to the community land at Manly Road and Battle Boulevarde are indicated on the following tables starting on page 5.

4.2 Issues for the Master plan Issues, Concerns, Opportunities

 Development of a bushland rehabilitation programme for the Community Lands.

Response: Develop such a programme in the context of the Master plan.

2. Involve the local community in consideration of the issues.

Response: Develop a public consultation programme as part of the Master plan exercise.



Look after our bushland and comply with the legislative requirements of State Environmental Planning Policy No. 19 - Bushland in Urban Areas.

MEANS OF ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVE

- Make all persons working in bushland areas aware of the provisions of State Environmental Planning Policy No. 19
 Bushland in Urban Areas and the areas to which it applies.
- 2. Make all neighbouring residents aware of the provisions of State Environmental Planning Policy No. 19 and seek co-operation to achieve good management of urban bushland areas.
- 3. Utilise contemporary skills and knowledge of bushland conservation, regeneration and management.
- 4. Determine the bushland plant community appropriate to the environment.
- 5. Include actions for the conservation and regeneration of bushland in the Masterplan.
- 6. The Masterplan should specifically address encroachment issues including:

 Definition of property boundary lines, rubbish removal, exotic weed infestation, drainage issues, including erosion and sediment control.
- 7. The Masterplan identifies areas for replanting with indigenous native plants.
- 8. Identification and prioritisation of areas requiring regeneration.

- Workers in bushland areas are made aware of the Legislation and its responsibilities.
- 2.1 Information is made available to neighbours on the issues relating to urban bushland under SEPP 19.
- 2.2 Follow up inspections confirm good neighbourly practice.
- 3.1 Workers maintain liaison with other practitioners and researchers in the field of urban bushland management.
- 3.2 New skills are disseminated to workers and utilised in day to day maintenance and management.
- 4. Lists of appropriate plant communities are determined and included in the Masterplan.
- 5. Masterplan implemented by workers in urban bushland areas.
- 6. The Masterplan identifies encroachment issues. Confirmation that encroachment issues have been addressed.
- 7. Progress on areas being regenerated recorded.
- 8. Priority areas addressed.



Integrate local drainage needs into park design and bushland management.

MEANS OF ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVE

- The preparation of the Masterplan should include consultation on neighbourhood drainage requirements and design proposals where appropriate.
- 2. Utilize contemporary skills in the design of multi-function drainage areas eg. sediment detention basins.
- 3. Ensure all drainage designs address:
 bushland maintenance; erosion;
 siltation and pollution controls;
 flooding issues; penetration for water
 table improvement and compatibility
 with recreational and aesthetic
 interests.

- 1. Drainage issues included in the preparation of the Masterplan.
- 2. The drainage designs reflect current knowledge on drainage issues.
- Drainage issues are addressed in park design and bushland management; and reviewed in relevant reviews of environmental factors.



To manage all open space land in a flexible manner and ensure that local needs are met.

MEANS OF ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVE

- Liaise with the local neighbourhood when assessing future facilities for reserves to determine needs which may include play areas, dog areas, toilets, picnic and barbeque area and space for ball games.
- 2. Include identified needs in the Masterplan.

- 1. Liaison with local groups undertaken during the planning process.
- 2.1 Identified needs if assessed for compatibility, demand and availability of resources.
- 2.2 Appropriate facilities included in the Masterplan.



Provide a major open space linkage connecting harbour and ocean foreshores, creek and lagoon edge, and the national parks.

MEANS OF ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVE

- Provide appropriate paths and signage in each applicable reserve.
- 2. Identify the walkway route in each applicable Masterplan as one particular function for that reserve.
- 3. Work to bring private land on the harbour foreshores into the connection, either by public ownership or other agreement.
- 4. Liaise with National Parks and Wildlife Service to obtain connections into national park lands.
- 5. Publish a guide to the circuit walkway once the connections are substantially in place.

- 1. Paths and signage installed as required.
- 2. Publicise linkages.
- 3. Masterplans include walkway function and location.
- 3.1 Continue negotiation with private land holders.
- 3.2 Land brought into public use within a reasonable time preferably for inclusion in Project 2000.
- 4. Connections with national park lands obtained within reasonable time by the Year 2000.
- 5. A guide published and distributed.

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OBJECTIVE

To encourage local participation in design, development and management.

MEANS OF ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVE

- Continue liaison with local Precinct
 Committees and other groups prior to
 undertaking works in reserves other
 than day to day maintenance.
- Continue where appropriate to hold on site gatherings with neighbours and other relevant groups or individuals as part of any exercise to plan the future form and use of a reserve.
- 3. Continue with joint Council and community maintenance and improvement teams like the C-Scheme for particular reserves and projects.
- Consider inviting neighbourhood groups or individuals to be directly involved in ongoing planning and management of reserves.
- 5. Publish guides and educational pamphlets to Council's reserves and the activities available therein, possible topics being harbourside access, botanic gardens walk, circuit linear park and North Head Walk.

- Evidence of liaison undertaken to the satisfaction of local groups without undue delay and inefficiency for Council programmes.
- 2. On-site meetings held where appropriate.
- 3. Joint Council and community works teams continued and expanded.
- 4. Confirm efforts to invite neighbourhood groups or individuals to directly participate in on-going planning and maintenance of reserves.
- 5. Guides and educational pamphlets published providing information on Council's reserves.

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OBJECTIVE

Provide for user health, safety and enjoyment.

MEANS OF ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVE

- Determine any necessary control on undesirable activities.
- Determine any necessary control on dogs within reserves. Dog toilet areas provided if necessary.
- 3.1 Production of competent designs for reserves prior to major works being undertaken.
- 3.2 Inclusion of local neighbourhood and user groups in future design and management of reserves.
- 4. Regular assessment of maintenance needs to ensure minimum public safety risk from the facilities.
- 5. Consider the provision of additional activities where permitted and consistent with other objectives in order to increase recreational opportunities.
- 6. Make facilities and access to reserves generally suitable for those with mobility impairments.
- 7. Ensure that leases and licences include adequate provisions to minimise public risk as well as insurance cover.

- 1. Undesirable activities controlled.
- 2.1 Park users not threatened by dogs.
- 2.2 No scattered dog excrement within reserves.
- 3.1 Greater public use of reserves and reduced vandalism.
- 3.2 Local community needs are being met when consideration is given to this objective.
- 4. Minimum accidents from use of facilities.
- 5. Additional activities provided after consideration.
- 6. Facilities and access to reserves generally suitable for those with mobility impairments.
- 7. Leases and licences include adequate provision to minimise public risk as well as insurance cover.