

AGENDA

COMMUNITY AND BELONGING STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Community and Belonging Strategic Reference Group will be held in the Councillors Room, Manly Town Hall on

WEDNESDAY 30 OCTOBER 2019

Beginning at 6:00pm for the purpose of considering matters included in this agenda.

Committee Members

Cr Kylie Ferguson (Chair)	
Cr Penny Philpott	
Cr Candy Bingham	
Cr Sarah Grattan	
Tamzin Lee	Community Representative, Arts, Culture & Youth
Roslyn Marsh	Avalon Preservation Association, Arts & Culture
Simon Moriarty	Community Representative, Curl Curl Ward
Michelle Povah	Northern Beaches Child & Family Interagency
Diane Robbins	Lifeline Representative
Jennifer Wharton	Community Representative - Narrabeen Ward
Samuel Wilkins	Community Representative - Forest Ward, Youth, Arts & Culture
Maria-Elena Chidzey	Community Northern Beaches Inc. (CNB), Multi-Cultural
Cathy Hockey	Community Representative, Disability
Vacant	Community representative - Pittwater Ward, Arts & Culture
Margaret Shonk	Community representative - Manly Ward, Mental Health
Vacant	Seniors & Disability representative

Council Officer Contacts

Kylie Walshe	Executive Manager Community, Arts & Culture
Katie Kirwan	Governance Officer

Quorum

A majority of members including the Chair or one of the elected Councillors.

**Agenda for Community and Belonging
Strategic Reference Group Meeting
to be held on Wednesday 30 October 2019
in the Councillors Room, Manly Town Hall
Commencing at 6:00pm**

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1.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

As a sign of respect, Northern Beaches Council acknowledges the traditional custodians of these lands on which we gather and pays respect to Elders past and present.

2.0 APOLOGIES

All members are expected to attend the meetings or otherwise tender their apologies to the Chair and Governance at councilmeetings@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au.

3.0 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Members should disclose any "**pecuniary**" or "**non-pecuniary**" interests in matters included in the agenda. The [Northern Beaches Council Code of Conduct](#) (the Code) provides guidance on managing conflicts of interests.

A **pecuniary interest** is defined in Section 4 of the Code as:

A pecuniary interest is an interest that you have in a matter because of a reasonable likelihood or expectation of appreciable financial gain or loss to you or a person referred to in clause 4.3.

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A non-pecuniary conflict of interest exists where a reasonable and informed person would perceive that you could be influenced by a private interest when carrying out your official functions in relation to a matter.

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4.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 MINUTES OF COMMUNITY AND BELONGING STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP MEETING HELD 28 AUGUST 2019

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Community and Belonging Strategic Reference Group meeting held 28 August 2019, copies of which were previously circulated to all Members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

6.0 AGENDA ITEMS

ITEM 6.1	AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS JUDGING PANEL - KYLIE WALSH - 5 MINS
REPORTING OFFICER	MANAGER SOCIAL PLANNING AND SERVICES
TRIM FILE REF	2019/553080
ATTACHMENTS	1 Download Draft Community Service and Australia Day Awards Policy 2 Download Nomination Guidelines - Australia Day Awards 2020

PURPOSE

To receive recommendations from the Community and Belonging Strategic Reference Group (SRG) for members of the judging panel to select the winners of the Australia Day Awards and Outstanding Community Service Awards.

REPORT

Each year Northern Beaches Council celebrates and recognises outstanding contributions from local residents and volunteers through the annual Northern Beaches Australia Day Awards. Nominations are open for the following categories:

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year (under 25 years)
- Senior Citizen of the Year (65 years and above)
- Community Event of the Year
- Sportsperson of the Year
- Outstanding Community Service Awards

There are up to 15 Outstanding Community Service Awards to be granted, and just one award for each of the other categories. Nominations close Midnight Wednesday 6 November 2019.

As per the draft Community Service and Australia Day Awards Policy (Attachment 1), the judging panel consists of the Mayor and three members of the Northern Beaches community. It is recommended that community members be sourced from members of the Community & Belonging SRG, to represent a diverse range of interests, involvement and demographics.

Members of the judging panel are not permitted to nominate or encourage others to nominate on their behalf. Judges should be highly regarded in the community, with the ability to remain honest and impartial. A judge may be a former award winner or nominator, however cannot be a nominator or nominee for this year's awards.

The nomination guidelines and criteria (Attachment 2) outline the judging process.

The judging night has been confirmed with the Mayor as follows:

Date: Thursday 28 November 2019
Time: 4.30pm until approximately 7.00pm
Venue: Garigal Room, Dee Why Civic Centre

RECOMMENDATION OF MANAGER SOCIAL PLANNING AND SERVICES

That the Community and Belonging Strategic Reference Group nominate three (3) community members to the judging panel for the 2020 Australia Day Community Service Awards.

Council Policy

Community Service Awards

Policy Statement

Council recognises that the community is enhanced through the endeavours of its residents and volunteers who work to improve the lives of others and make the Northern Beaches a better place to live. Council's Community Service Awards recognise the outstanding contributions by publicly acknowledging and thanking them in a spirit of community pride.

Principles

1. That Council recognises the outstanding contribution of Northern Beaches' volunteers throughout the year where appropriate.
2. That this program include:
 - Australia Day Citizen of the Year Awards (5)
 - Outstanding Community Service Awards (15)
3. That the Australia Day Citizen of the Year awards program focus on the contribution of individual volunteers but also highlight the contribution of the organisations for which they work.
4. That the Outstanding Community Service Awards focus on recognising Northern Beaches residents who have made a significant contribution to the Northern Beaches and its community. One Outstanding Community Service Award can be awarded to a non-resident who has made a significant contribution to the Northern Beaches Community.
5. That a Panel comprising three community members and the Mayor or his/her delegate be convened to judge the nominations received. In addition, two staff members will serve as facilitators on the panel – they will not vote.
6. That the judging Panel be provided with all necessary information to assist them with their deliberations including information relating to any other awards those nominees may have received.

Table 1: Annual awards and number of persons eligible per year

Australia Day Awards
Citizen of the Year
Senior Citizen of the Year (65 years or older)
Young Citizen of the Year (under 25 years)
Sportsperson of the Year
Community Event of the Year
Outstanding Community Service Awards
Up to 15 awards will be presented annually

The guidelines and eligibility criteria for each category will be reviewed annually and promoted via Council's communication channels.

All nominees must be residents of, or events held within, the Northern Beaches Local Government Area, with the exception of the Outstanding Community Service awards whereby one non-resident may be awarded. Detailed award eligibility requirements are provided in Appendix 1.

Recipients are objectively selected by a Selection Panel on merit and against the Award criteria. The panel is made up of three community members, and the Mayor or his/her delegate (provided they have not nominated someone for an award). Two staff members will serve as facilitators on the panel, but will not vote. A member of the panel is to declare an interest and stand aside from the Panel should they be related to a nominee, or consider that for any reason a conflict of interest may arise.

The Australia Day Awards are announced and presented at or around the timing of the Northern Beaches Australia Day celebrations on 26 January each year.

Scope and application

This policy applies to all employees, agents, officers, councillors and committee members of Northern Beaches Council.

References and related documents

- Local Government Act 1993
- Northern Beaches Council Australia Day Awards Nomination Guidelines and Criteria (these are reviewed and updated annually)

Definitions

Event: An activity or thing that happens or takes place as a singular occurrence though that may be over more than one day

Responsible Officer

Executive Manager Community, Arts & Culture

Review Date

30 June 2023 (At least every four years or as required)

Revision History

Revision	Date	Status	TRIM Ref
1	26 June 2019	First draft Australia Day Awards policy	2019/281707
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Australia Day Awards 2020

Nomination Guidelines and Criteria

Recognise and nominate someone who has made a valuable contribution to the Northern Beaches community.

Award Categories

- Citizen of the Year
- Senior Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Sportsperson of the Year
- Community Event of the Year
- Outstanding Community Service Award

How to Nominate

- The nomination closing deadline is midnight, Wednesday 6 November 2019.
- Please complete the PDF nomination form available at northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au
- Please read both the general and category specific guidelines and eligibility criteria prior to submitting a nomination.
- Additional supporting information may be attached with each nomination.

Judging Process

- Nominations will be reviewed by an appointed judging panel including community representatives.
- The selection of recipients will be based upon the nominations received and information available to the judging panel at the time. The judges' decisions are final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- Northern Beaches Council reserves the right to withdraw an award if further information or the recipients conduct draws the awards into disrepute.
- Judging will take place in December 2019.
- Winners will be presented in January 2020.

Privacy Policy

- Nomination documents will remain confidential.
- Northern Beaches Council may use nomination information for the purpose of promoting the awards, and in such case nominees will be contacted for consent.

Enquiries

Northern Beaches Council - Volunteer Coordinator
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General Criteria and Eligibility

- Nominees must be Australian citizens and have contributed to the Northern Beaches Local Government Area (LGA).
- If the nominee does not reside within the Northern Beaches LGA, they can only be considered for the Outstanding Community Service Award (if the other criteria is met).
- Unsuccessful nominees may be re-nominated in subsequent years.
- Self nominations will not be accepted, except for the Community Event of the Year where an organiser may nominate their event.
- Awards will not be granted posthumously.
- Northern Beaches Councillors, Council employees or State and Federal politicians are not eligible. Retired politicians and officers will only be considered for work beyond their official duties.
- At least two referees must be supplied with the nomination.
- All nomination information and material submitted remains the property of Northern Beaches Council.
- Members of the judging panel are not permitted to nominate or encourage others to nominate on their behalf. If a member of the judging panel is nominated, they may choose whether to renege their position on the panel or make their nomination redundant.
- An award does not have to be granted should the judging panel decide that no nominee fits the criteria sufficiently.
- A person can be nominated for multiple categories if eligible, however cannot be granted more than one award. If nominated, eligible and chosen for multiple award categories, the judging panel will make a decision as to the best category in which to award the recipient.

Award Category Criteria and Eligibility:

Citizen, Senior Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year

- On 26 January 2020 the nominee must be aged under 25 years for Young Citizen of the Year Award, and 65 years or older for the Senior Citizen of the Year. There are no age restrictions for Citizen of the Year.
- The nominee must reside in the Northern Beaches LGA.
- The nominee should be held in high regard in the community.
- The nominee should have strong ethical and community values.
- Regard will predominately be given to the nominee's community/charitable/school activities and achievements in the Northern Beaches LGA for the year immediately prior to granting of the Award. The nominee's additional past community service and efforts to improve community life should be included to support the past year's commitments.
- The award is only available to an individual, not a group.

Sportsperson of the Year

- There are no age restrictions for Sportsperson of the Year.
- The nominee must reside in the Northern Beaches LGA.
- The nominee must have made a contribution to sport within the Northern Beaches LGA.
- The nominee's efforts to advance their chosen sporting activity and their performance over the past year are considered.
- The nominee demonstrates an attitude of fair play and good sportsmanship.
- The award is only available to an individual, not a group.

Community Event of the Year

- The event nominated must be presented in the Northern Beaches LGA between 5 November 2018 and 5 November 2019.
- The award is granted for the event itself, however an individual or organisation can be listed under nominee contact details.
- The event should have a proven contribution to the Northern Beaches community and demonstrate community values.
- Consideration will be given to event attendance numbers, benefits to local residents and local business, level of community participation and engagement, involvement, effective transportation, environmental sustainability, amount of any funds raised for charities, benefits to promoting the Northern Beaches tourism in the area, cultural benefits to the community, including diversity, the overall purpose and spirit of the event.

Outstanding Community Service Awards

The Outstanding Community Service Awards are an annual recognition and appreciation of voluntary service to the local community. Unlike the other award categories, this category recognises commitment over a long period of time, beyond the year prior to the award being granted.

Nominations for Citizen of the Year, Senior Citizen of the Year and Young Citizen of the Year may also be considered for an Outstanding Community Service Award if eligible, however a nominee cannot receive more than one award in the same year.

- The award may be granted to more than one person/as a group, only if each person in the group has dedicated the same level of commitment to the same service.
- Up to 15 awards will be presented in this category subject to the final decision of the judging panel, in accordance with the criteria.
- The person demonstrates a special concern and commitment to the community through their efforts and support of local community activities.
- The person has been involved over a number of years in unpaid community work within the Northern Beaches.
- The service rendered by this person is spread over a number of years and demonstrates a continuous interest and awareness of the need for such a service to the community through personal involvement.
- The person's volunteer service benefits a small group or an individual within the community consistently.
- The person may have assisted the Council with management of some field of responsibility under one or more of the following:
 - a. Committees Halls, Community Centres, Parks
 - b. Welfare Services, Health Services, Recreation Services, Environmental Services
 - c. Cultural activities
 - d. Voluntary Services
- One non-resident of the Northern Beaches may be awarded if:
 - the person has rendered exceptional community service within the local government area; and
 - the person fully satisfies all other guidelines detailed above.
- Previous recipients will be considered eligible for Outstanding Community Service Awards subject to:
 - the panel agreeing that a suitable amount of time has lapsed since the original award was given;
 - the nomination demonstrates the nominee has continued to offer outstanding community service in the intervening period; and
 - the panel agree that a second or repeat award is appropriate.

ITEM 6.2	COMMUNITY, ARTS & CULTURE GRANTS PROGRAM - WILL WRATHALL - 10 MINS
REPORTING OFFICER	TEAM LEADER, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
TRIM FILE REF	2019/587916
ATTACHMENTS	1 ↓ Community, Arts & Culture Grants Program

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PURPOSE

To consult the group on suggested changes to the Guidelines for the 2020/21 Community, Arts & Culture Grants Program and provide opportunity for feedback.

REPORT

Northern Beaches Council implemented a Community Grant program across four streams, including Sport and Recreational Infrastructure, Community and Cultural Development, Events, and Eco-Schools, which commenced in June 2018. The Community Grants & Partnership Policy was adopted by Council in June 2019 to provide overarching strategic direction for Council across all grants programs.

The following presentation suggests a range of changes to improve the Community, Arts & Culture Grants Program for 2020/21.

Key changes include:

1. Increased support and interaction with grant applicants/recipients
2. Remove funding cap on equipment (based on merit)
3. Improve requirement for program evaluation (e.g. Survey template)
4. Inclusion of identified issues from Social Plan as high priority areas (under development)
5. Increase eligibility so that whole of local community can apply
6. Have three distinct application areas, assessment criteria & panels
7. New Arts & Creative stream to use Goals/Priorities from Arts Strategy (Draft)

These will be presented for discussion and any further ideas from the Strategic Reference Group considered.

RECOMMENDATION OF TEAM LEADER, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

That the Strategic Reference Group note the information presented and provide further suggestions for improvement.

Community Arts & Culture Grants Program 2020/21



Community & Belonging
Strategic Reference Group
October 2019



Program Review

	2018/19	2019/20
Program Budget	\$240,000	\$240,000
Applications received	69	83
Total funding request	\$498,000	\$567,000
Applications funded (whole and partial)	39	34
Arts – funded applications	3	5
Youth – funded applications	2	7
Multi-year funding (up to 3 yrs)	No	Yes
Hire Fee Waivers	Yes	No
\$2,000 cap on equipment	No	Yes
Information Sessions	2	4
Grant Writing Workshops	2	2

Objective

To support local individuals, groups and organisations deliver community, arts and cultural initiatives that bring direct benefit to the local people and communities of the Northern Beaches.

Community Priorities 2019/20

Community Strategic Plan, Goals 10-12:

- a) Support the arts and creative communities
- b) Expand cultural events and creative opportunities, including safe nightlife opportunities
- c) Provide more events and opportunities for young people to socialise
- d) Promote social inclusion through neighbourhood programs and quality services
- e) Build stronger communities where neighbours know and support each other
- f) Promote health & wellbeing through fair access to information, health and support services
- g) Support community groups and facilitate volunteer opportunities
- h) Build an inclusive community and break down institutional and social barriers to enable all people, irrespective of age, gender and identity, to participate in community life
- i) Recognise and honour Aboriginal culture and heritage
- j) Value and celebrate our diverse heritage and cultural differences

Assessment Criteria 2019/20

1. Demonstrates direct benefit to the local people and communities of the Northern Beaches
2. Address at least one of the ten Community Priorities from Council's Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028
3. Have clear and achievable outcomes and budget
4. Encourages community participation / involves the community
5. Demonstrates the capacity to manage funds and deliver the project successfully

Assessment Panel 2019/20

3 x Community Development staff (internal)

1 x Arts & Culture

1 x Youth

1 x Community Development

3 x External

2 or 3 x Community & Belonging Strategic Reference Group

1 x Department of Communities & Justice (Prev FaCS)

Suggested Changes 2020/21

- 1. Increased support and interaction with grant applicants/recipients;**
 - Grant writing workshops to include interactive and follow up components
 - Relevant Council staff nominated as Key Contact for successful projects
 - Council staff to attend funded activity where possible
- 2. Remove funding cap on equipment (Base on merit)**
- 3. Improve requirement for program evaluation (e.g. Survey template)**
- 4. Inclusion of identified issues from Social Plan as high priority areas (Currently under development)**

Suggested Changes 2020/21 cont.

5. Increase eligibility so that whole of local community can apply;

- Individuals applying on own merit (esp. for arts & creative)
- Social enterprises and businesses who partner with a local community group or service organisation

6. Have three distinct application areas, assessment criteria & panels;

- Youth & Community Development
- Arts & Creative
- **Environment (Proposed - TBC with Greener Communities)**

(Existing Sport Infrastructure and Events Funding streams also retained)

7. New Arts & Creative stream to use Goals/Priorities from Arts Strategy (Draft)

ITEM 6.3	CONNECTED THROUGH CREATIVITY 2029 - DRAFT ARTS AND CREATIVITY STRATEGY & DRAFT CULTURAL POLICY UPDATE - JOSEPHINE BENNETT - 10 MINS
REPORTING OFFICER	MANAGER ARTS AND CULTURE
TRIM FILE REF	2019/582681
ATTACHMENTS	1 <u>↓</u> Presentation Arts and Creativity Strategy and Cultural Policy

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PURPOSE

To update the Community and Belonging Strategic Reference Group on the draft Arts and Creativity Strategy, Connect Through Creativity 2029 and the draft Cultural Policy.

SUMMARY/REPORT

On 27 November 2018 Council endorsed public exhibition of the draft Arts and Creativity Strategy: *Connected Through Creativity 2029* (draft Strategy) for a minimum of 28 days. The draft Strategy was placed on public exhibition from 28 November 2018 to 17 February 2019, with over 100 comments and submissions received. The feedback has been used to inform amendments to the Strategy. Council considered adoption of the draft Strategy at its October 2019 meeting.

The community feedback identified a strong commitment to and interest in better recognition of local Aboriginal communities, the potential of local creative industries and appreciation of the complexities of the local creative eco-system. The amended Strategy seeks to address these community priorities and establish Council's role, in an accessible format that recognises the wealth of arts and creativity present on the Northern Beaches.

The Strategy aims to progress the community's long-term vision for the Northern Beaches of a '*safe, connected and inclusive community that lives in balance with our extraordinary coastal and bushland environment*' - Northern Beaches Community Strategic Plan, *Shape 2028* (2018). As such, the amended Strategy sets out Council's commitment to supporting and growing a vibrant creative culture, authentic to the Northern Beaches through three key outcomes that are supported by nine strategies to cultivate creativity, identify opportunities for arts and cultural expression and connect the diverse communities of the Northern Beaches. Each of the nine strategies comprises a suite of current actions and future commitments.

The community also expressed interest in the development of a cultural policy for the Northern Beaches. In developing the draft policy, consideration was given to existing policies and/or plans from the former Councils and advice from relevant internal teams and key stakeholders. At its October 2019 meeting, Council will consider placing the draft Policy on public exhibition in November 2019. Submissions will be reviewed and a final Policy presented back to Council for adoption.

RECOMMENDATION OF MANAGER ARTS AND CULTURE

That the Community and Belonging Strategic Reference Group note the presentation.

REPORT

BACKGROUND

Council prepared the draft Arts and Creativity Strategy for the Northern Beaches in recognition of the important role that arts and creativity play in enriching our cultural life, promoting community connection, and enhancing our sense of identity and belonging. It acknowledges the broader social, economic and environmental benefits, including the contribution of arts and creativity to the local economy and tourism. Council will consider adoption of the draft Strategy at its October 2019 meeting.

Community feedback was sought on the draft Arts and Creativity Strategy through public exhibition in late 2018 to early 2019, receiving over 100 submissions. Analysis of the community feedback revealed consistent themes that are summarised as follows:

- importance of local Aboriginal communities' art, culture and heritage
- places and spaces for arts and creativity
- access to local opportunities for participation
- capacity building in creative sector
- value of diversity
- importance of cultural planning to inform decision making
- accessible format
- Council's leadership role in arts and creativity

The draft Strategy has been consequently amended to better reflect the community's aspirations for arts and creativity. Key changes include:

- text amendments to address the issues raised above
- replacement of images to better reflect local arts and creativity
- simplification of format and style

The draft Arts and Creativity Strategy: *Connected through Creativity 2029* presents a vision for the arts and creativity on the Northern Beaches that will be evidenced through the achievement of three key outcomes. Each outcome has three key strategies which comprise a series of current actions and future commitments. The strategy is summarised below:

Outcome 1 - Inspiring Places and Spaces

Strategies:

1. Infuse public places with creativity
2. Make room for creative expression
3. Celebrate cultural heritage

Outcome 2 – Innovative and Creative Industries

Strategies

1. Enable creative sector vitality

2. Collaborate to innovate
3. Grow thriving arts hubs

Outcome 3 - Engaged Community

Strategies:

1. Share local stories
2. Listen to and support Aboriginal communities
3. Make creativity inclusive.

The commitments in the amended Strategy will be prioritised and included in Council's annual Operational Plan and business plans over the 10-year period to 2029. Monitoring and review will be incorporated into the annual community reporting process and an annual performance scorecard to Council, as well through a series of outcome indicators which are presented in the Strategy.

The draft Policy was developed following consideration of the community feedback on the draft Arts and Creativity Strategy, internal stakeholders, relevant policies and frameworks from other Councils, State and Federal Government agencies and the UNESCO Universal Declaration on Cultural Diversity 2001.

In summary, the draft Policy presents Council's commitment to fostering the unique culture of the Northern Beaches.

CONSULTATION

Community engagement for the development of the draft Strategy took place from May to September 2018. More than 800 community members from across the Northern Beaches participated in the engagement, as reported to Council on 27 November 2018.

Public exhibition of the draft Arts & Creativity Strategy comprised the following:

- Community information session at Manly Art Gallery & Museum – with 65 participants
- Community information session and panel at Glen Street Theatre – with 44 participants
- Your Say engagement - with 100 submissions
- Submissions from the Barrenjoey Arts Alliance and Manly Art Gallery & Museum Society

Further engagement was undertaken with the Community & Belonging Strategic Reference Group on 22 August 2018 and 22 May 2019.

TIMING

The Cultural Policy is a long-term statement of Council's commitment that will be implemented through key strategies, such as the amended Arts and Creativity Strategy which has a 10-year timeframe.

Connected Through Creativity 2029 Northern Beaches Arts and Creativity Strategy Draft Cultural Policy



Strategic Context

The Cultural Policy and Arts and Creativity Strategy are aligned with the CSP strategic community outcomes:

Goal 8: Our neighbourhoods inspire social interaction, inclusion and support health and wellbeing

Goal 9: Our community is healthy, active and enjoys a broad range of creative, sporting and recreational opportunities

Goal 10: Our community is stimulated through a diverse range of cultural and creative activities and events

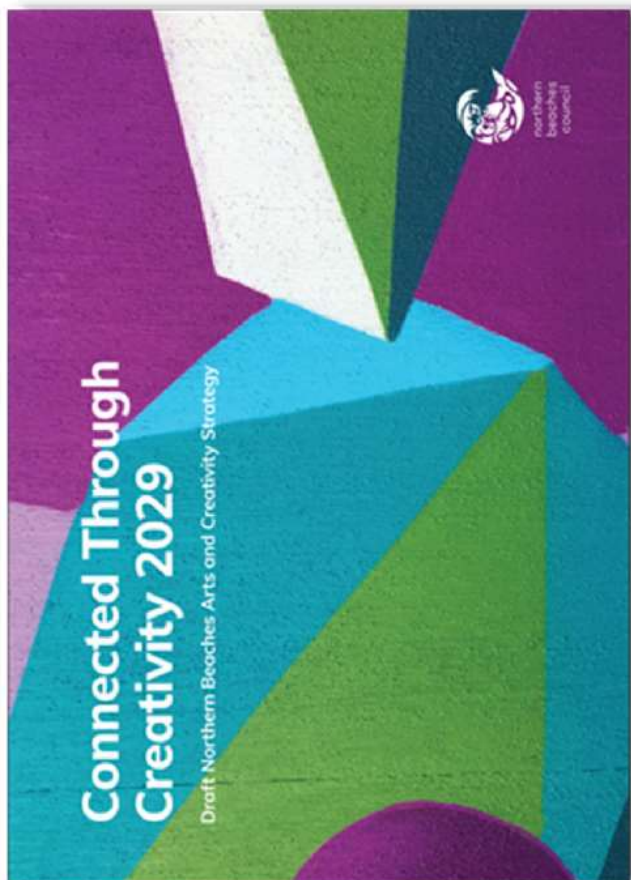
Goal 12: Our community is friendly and supportive

Connected through Creativity 2029

Draft Arts and Creativity Strategy

The Arts and Creativity Strategy is a 10 year plan for the development of a vibrant creative culture authentic to the Northern Beaches

Council considered adoption of the Strategy at its October 2019 meeting.



Recent Actions

- New data review and analysis - including over 100 comments and submissions were received from the community between Nov 2018 - Feb 2019
- Used to amend the Strategy to better reflect the community's values, aspirations and needs



Feedback Summary

- importance of local Aboriginal communities' art, culture and heritage
- places and spaces for arts and creativity
- access to local opportunities for participation
- capacity building in creative sector
- value of diversity
- importance of cultural planning to inform decision making
- accessible format
- Council's leadership role in arts and creativity.

Initial Mapping



Amended Strategy

The Strategy presents 3 outcome areas supported by 9 strategies and supporting actions

Vision

*Our community is
enriched through the
arts and connected
through creativity.*

To achieve Outcome 1 - Inspiring Places & Spaces. We will:

1. Infuse public places with creativity
2. Make room for creative expression
3. Celebrate cultural heritage

To achieve Outcome 2 - Innovative & Creative Industries. We will:

4. Enable creative sector vitality
5. Collaborate to innovate
6. Grow thriving arts hubs

To achieve Outcome 3 - Engaged Community. We will:

7. Share local stories
8. Listen to and support Aboriginal communities
9. Make creativity inclusive

Implementation

- Actions in the Strategy will be prioritised and included in Council's annual Operational Plan and business plans
- Setting up an internal cross-Council working group to maximise collaboration and efficiency
- The Strategy includes outcome indicators that will be used to monitor progress
- The annual community reporting process and annual scorecard will be used to keep the community informed



Draft Cultural Policy

- The Cultural Policy has been drafted in response to feedback received during the public exhibition of the Draft Arts and Creativity Strategy
- The community requested a policy that clearly articulates Council's position on local arts, culture and creativity be developed to accompany the Strategy
- Council considered placing the draft Policy on public exhibition at its October 2019 meeting



Content & Implementation

- The Policy states the Council's commitment to fostering the unique culture of the Northern Beaches
- It recognises the importance of arts, culture, creativity and diversity to a thriving community
- It will be implemented through the Arts and Creativity Strategy *Connected through Creativity 2029* and other relevant strategies

Questions & discussion



ITEM 6.4	DRAFT COMMUNITY CENTRE STRATEGY AND DRAFT COMMUNITY CENTRE POLICY - CAROLINE PSALTIS - 10 MINS
REPORTING OFFICER	MANAGER, COMMUNITY CENTRES
TRIM FILE REF	2019/407137
ATTACHMENTS	1 ↓ Community Centre Strategy & Policy

ISSUE

To provide an update on the progress of the draft Community Centre Strategy and Community Centre Policy.

BACKGROUND

Community centres are indoor spaces hired by the community for regular or one-off events and activities. They are multi-use, multi-purpose and accessible to the public. They provide spaces for social, creative, educational, recreational and community activities and support services for the community. Community centres bring people together, creating connections and help to build a stronger Northern Beaches community.

Council directly manages and hires out 37 community centres. These are highly valued by the community that use them, with close to 2 million visits to the community centres per annum.

The draft Community Centres Policy (the Policy) has been developed to effectively manage these community assets in a fair and equitable manner for all residents of the Northern Beaches Local Government Area (LGA). The draft Policy provides clear operational guidelines for the management of these centres. Once adopted, it will replace the existing policies from the former Pittwater and Manly Councils.

The draft Policy is supported by the draft Community Centres Strategy (draft Strategy) and associated Action Plan, with the alignment of key principles in both documents.

The draft Strategy outlines a vision for a network of multipurpose centres that are attractive and vibrant community spaces. At the core of this is accessibility, with good connections to public transport and affordable rates of hire. The draft Policy and draft Strategy provide a framework for the operational and strategic direction of the community centre network, ensuring the best possible outcomes for the Northern Beaches community.

Both the draft Policy and draft Strategy have been developed through benchmarking, condition assessment of existing community centres, and engagement with a range of stakeholders, including existing hirers of the centres, demographic target groups and the broader community. The draft Strategy and associated Action Plan assesses current supply against current and future demand for community centre space across the LGA.

In summary, the draft Strategy identifies a shortfall in community centre space throughout the LGA, with a lack of large, integrated multipurpose community facilities in key locations. It also identifies challenges and opportunities to enable improved provision of community space that will facilitate creative activity, social connections and community wellbeing. The supporting Action Plan identifies actions that will address these challenges over time.

DISCUSSION

The draft Community Centre Strategy and the draft Community Centre Policy are on public exhibition for further community engagement and review. Members of the SRG are encouraged to review the documents and provide feedback during this period.

The feedback from the public exhibition will be reported back to Council for final approval.

RECOMMENDATION OF MANAGER, COMMUNITY CENTRES

That the Community and Belonging Strategic Reference Group note the status of the draft Community Centre Strategy and the Community Centre Policy and provide comment on the draft documents.

Draft Community Centres Policy and Strategy

Community & Belonging SRG
30 October 2019

Background

- The draft Community Centres Policy and Strategy outlines our vision for a *network of multipurpose centres that are attractive and vibrant spaces for our community.*
- The draft Community Centres Policy confirms Council's commitment to the provision of community centres in an equitable manner
- The draft Community Centres Strategy will inform and assist the planning and provision of community centres for the next 20 years

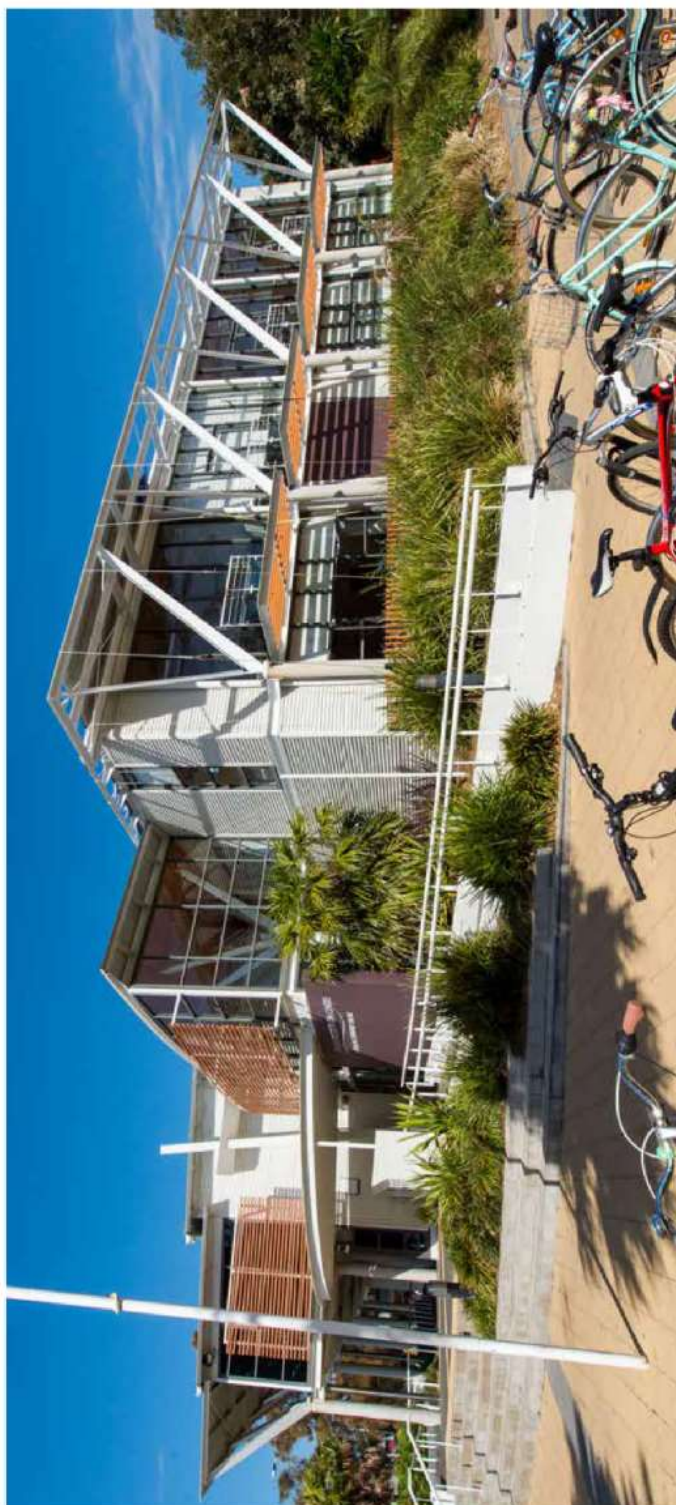
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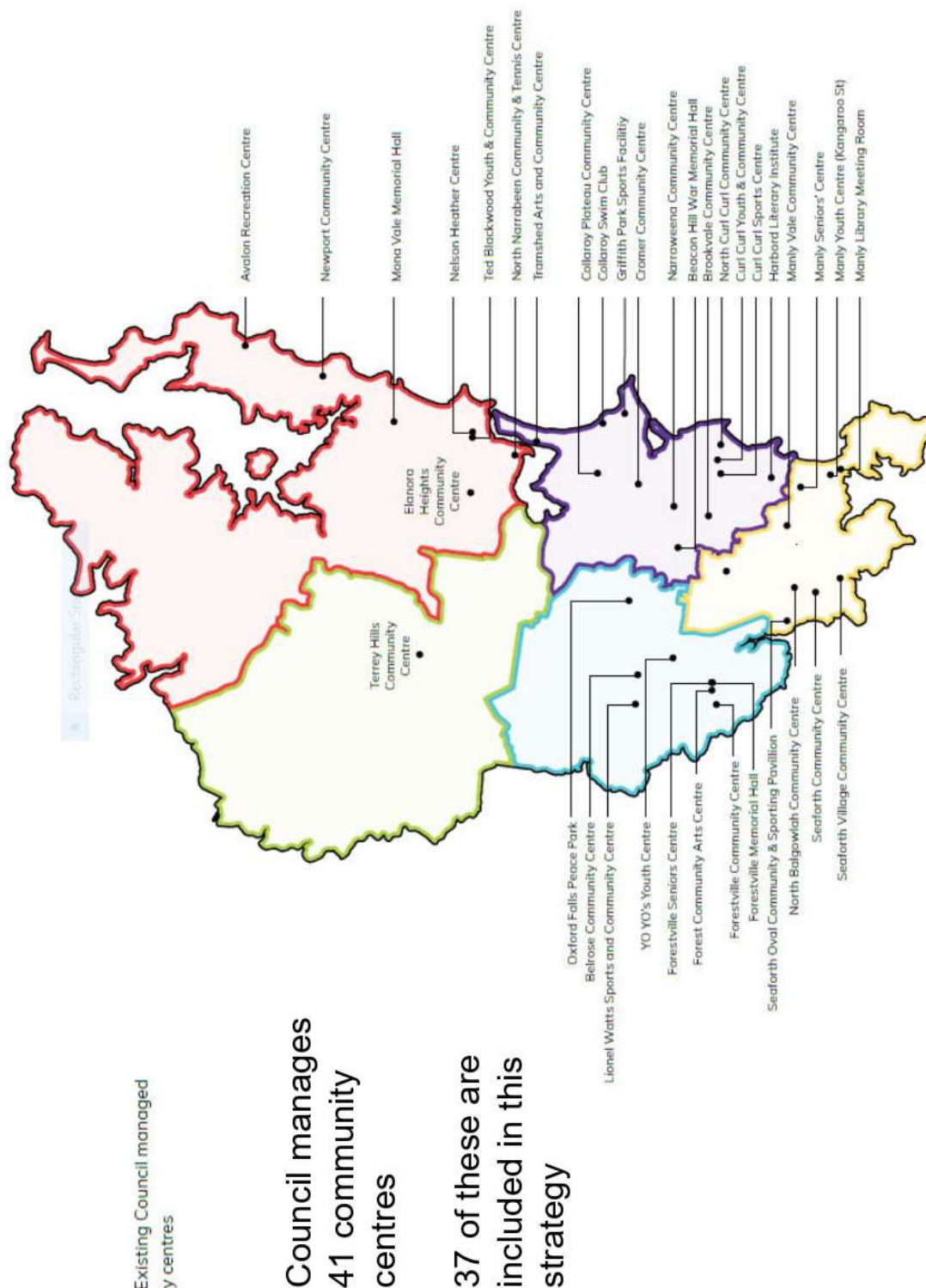
Council policy:

“Community Centres are safe, welcoming, inclusive, accessible and affordable public spaces for the whole community. They are vibrant modern facilities that support and enable programs that provide diverse opportunities for a rich social and cultural life, encouraging good health, social interaction, creativity and learning”

- responsive to community priorities and support community organisations through the provision of facilities at a subsidised rate, if and when available.
- an equitable and transparent framework for the management of Council’s network of community centres.

Draft Community Centres Strategy





Methodology

- Demographic analysis
- Benchmarking analysis, in terms of floor space
- Community Engagement

649 stakeholders engaged:

- 110 via a user survey
- 407 via a telephone survey
- 85 via an online public survey
- 30 through focus groups and interviews
- SRG briefing & workshop
- five pop-up information stalls were hosted in Mona Vale, Dee Why, Balgowlah, Forestville and Narrabeen



Who are we?

Snapshot of our community and key social trends	Implications for community centres
A growing population	There will be increased demand for multipurpose community facilities that are accessible and connected through physically and locational access and geographical and technological connectivity
An increasingly ageing population	Community facilities need to be accessible to all, balancing the needs of older residents with the broader community
A family orientated community, with a high proportion of families with children now and into the future	Spaces and places to gather, hold family functions, birthday parties and activities are becoming more important, especially for families with young children
Becoming more diverse, but less multi-cultural than Greater Sydney	As the community becomes more diverse, it is important that the centres are accommodating to differing cultural groups, who often require such venues for larger cultural events.
A socially advantaged area, with small pockets of disadvantage	Regardless of socio economic status, community centres are vital for reducing social isolation and enhancing social connectedness and interaction for all in the community
Relatively self-contained economy within the majority of people employed locally	High self containment means that residents are more likely to utilise social infrastructure within the LGA
Major infrastructure delivery for a more connected place, with the B Line and proposed East West bus route.	The location of community centres needs to be within close proximity to regular transport routes, with the increasing number of people using public transport

The community told us:

“Location is important and also the people that run it have to be good at what they do.”

“What makes a great community centre is) being accessible for all ages and abilities with a wide variety of activities and information on the area.”



- Community centres need to be well located, near on public transport and near a central hub such as shopping centres and library
- the centres need to be welcoming and modern
- they need to be accessible and available to all, and cater to all needs in the community
- the community want the centres to be affordable, clean and well maintained, quality facilities
- flexible spaces that can be used for a variety of purposes to suit different needs
- well designed facilities that have and equitable use

Challenges:

- Small and fragmented facilities
- Lack of community floor space in key locations across the LGA
- Limited co-location and integration
- Poor locations
- Lack of community awareness
- Ageing assets

Strategies:

Strategy 1	Improve utilisation rates of existing centres
Strategy 2	Maximise fair and equitable access to existing centres.
Strategy 3	Implement 'community hubs', with the co-location and integration of existing and future community centres in areas that are accessed by the community.
Strategy 4	Investigate the potential for a Regional Community Centre within the Local Government Area
Strategy 5	Increase the number of District/Sub-regional community centres through a detailed asset management plan
Strategy 6	Develop a community centre marketing strategy
Strategy 7	Create inviting, accessible and welcoming community centres
Strategy 8	Investigate management models for non-Council managed and/or owned facilities to maximise floor space available to the community

Key Findings:

Brookvale-Dee Why Planning Area

- well-provisioned but lacking in floor space, current and future gaps
- need regional and district facilities in Dee Why and Brookvale

Frenchs Forest Planning Area

- well provisioned across the planning area yet lacking in floor space in key locations
- Current and future gap in provision of space, requiring regional/district space to meet needs of growing population in this planning area

Manly Planning Area

- lack of community centres, current provision small and inadequate
- current and future gaps require a regional and district sized facility due to high housing density and population
- currently no space in Balgowlah, district village, transport and other services

Mona Vale Planning Area

- well provisioned with number of centres, but lacking in floor space
- current and future gap in floor space

Terrey Hills Planning Area

- only planning area with a current and future over supply
- the community centre is ageing and needs an upgrade

Strategic Directions:

Brookvale/Dee Why Planning Area

- Investigate options for a regional facility in Dee Why
- Explore options for a district facility in Brookvale to replace the existing Brookvale Community Centre

Frenchs Forest Planning Area

- Investigate the provision of district/sub-regional community space in the hospital precinct to meet existing and future gaps in space

Manly Planning Area

- Explore the provision of more community space to meet current and future gaps
- Investigate Council properties in the Balgowlah Town Centre as options for community space

Mona Vale Planning Area

- The current Nelson Heather Centre will be replaced with the Warriewood Valley Community Centre
- Undertake a master plan of the Mona Vale precinct to explore developing a district/sub-regional facility

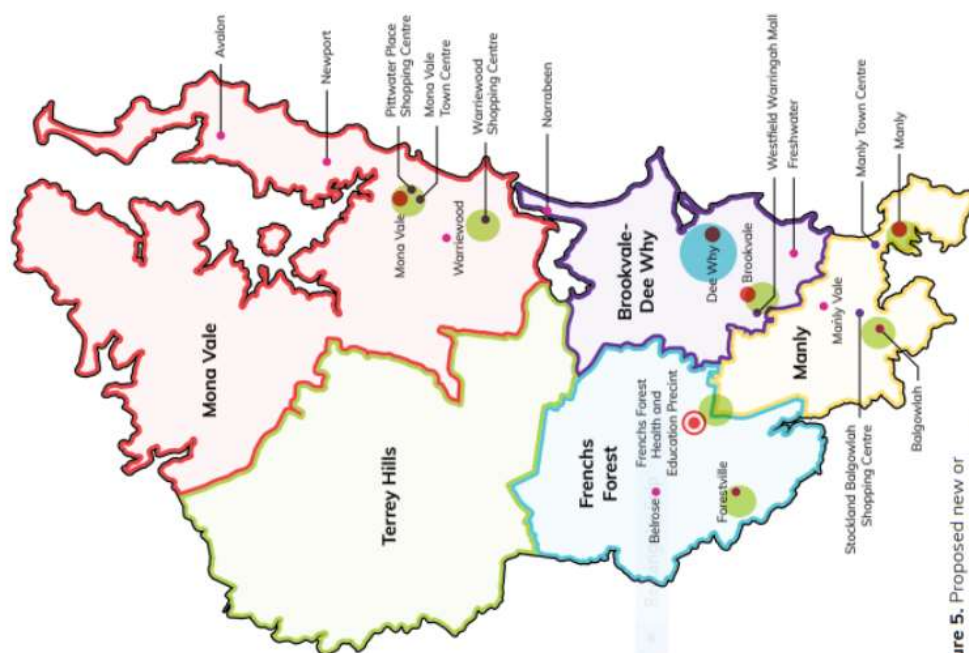


Figure 5. Proposed new or upgraded regional (in blue) and district (in green) community centres in the local planning areas. The locations of proposed facilities are indicative only and are subject to further investigation.

Implementation:

- Asset Management Plans
- Annual Capital Works Budgets
- Developer Contributions Plans
- Voluntary Planning Agreements
- Capital Grants Programs
- Partnerships and collaborations

Public Exhibition period

In November 2019:

- Review the draft Policy & draft Strategy
- Have your say – www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/council/have-your-say
- Feedback will be presented back to Council for review and final endorsement

ITEM 6.5	DRAFT LOCAL STRATEGIC PLANNING STATEMENT - TOWARDS 2040 - RENEE COULL - 30 MINS
REPORTING OFFICER	PRINCIPAL PLANNER
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ATTACHMENTS	1 ↓ LSPS Presentation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PURPOSE

To provide an overview of the draft Northern Beaches Local Strategic Planning Statement – *Towards 2040*.

REPORT

The draft Northern Beaches Local Strategic Planning Statement - *Towards 2040* is now on public exhibition until **10 November 2019**.

Towards 2040 is the Northern Beaches Council's first Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS) and has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Section 3.9 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act).

Towards 2040 outlines the Northern Beaches' direction for housing, employment, transport, recreation, environment and infrastructure over the next 20 years. It will help guide future land use decisions through planning priorities, principles and actions that build on the strengths and opportunities for the Northern Beaches as well as addressing key issues and challenges. It will inform Council's new Local Environmental Plan (LEP) and Development Control Plan (DCP) and broader framework of Council policies and strategies.

Towards 2040 reflects local values and aspirations, building on the 10-year vision set out in the Community Strategic Plan, *Shape 2028*. It applies to the whole Northern Beaches Local Government Area (LGA).

To support the preparation of *Towards 2040* and subsequent LEP and DCP, a number of technical studies are being prepared. The preliminary findings from these studies provide a detailed evidence base and form part of the exhibition package:

- Demographic Analysis.
- Housing Issues and Opportunities Paper.
- Employment Study – Background Paper.
- Social Infrastructure Issues and Opportunities Paper.
- Environment Background Report.

Towards 2040 aligns with the higher level plans including the Greater Sydney Commission's (GSC) Greater Sydney Region Plan – *A Metropolis of Three Cities* (Region Plan) and the North District Plan (District Plan). It has been arranged and presented under the same themes and directions contained in the Region Plan and District Plan. *Towards 2040* comprises thirty planning priorities which fall under these themes and directions. This presents a clear line-of-sight and connection between the metropolitan and district plan, and what this means at the local level.

Towards 2040 includes a 20-year vision for a sustainable, liveable, connected and productive Northern Beaches. The *Towards 2040* vision will be achieved by:

- Working with NSW Government, other councils, the community and other stakeholders.
- Protecting and enhancing the health of the LGA's waterways, coast, bushland and biodiversity, and increasing the urban tree canopy.
- Maintaining the coastal and bushland character, scenic and cultural landscapes and the Metropolitan Rural Area.
- Designing the built environment to be more efficient with less impacts on the natural environment
- Building resilience to urban and natural hazards and impacts from climate change.
- Providing educational, recreational, arts and creative opportunities.
- Enhancing centres and neighbourhoods as vibrant and inclusive places for social interaction
- Providing well-designed, diverse and affordable housing in the right locations.
- Protecting and celebrating heritage and each area's unique character.
- Improving public transport within the Northern Beaches and to Greater Sydney.
- Improving walking and safe cycling and embracing emerging transport technology.
- Strengthening strategic centres and providing more jobs closer to home.
- Safeguarding employment lands and supporting sustainable tourism and night time economy.

Towards 2040, supporting preliminary technical studies and community engagement reports are available to view on Council's website <https://yoursay.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/towards-2040>

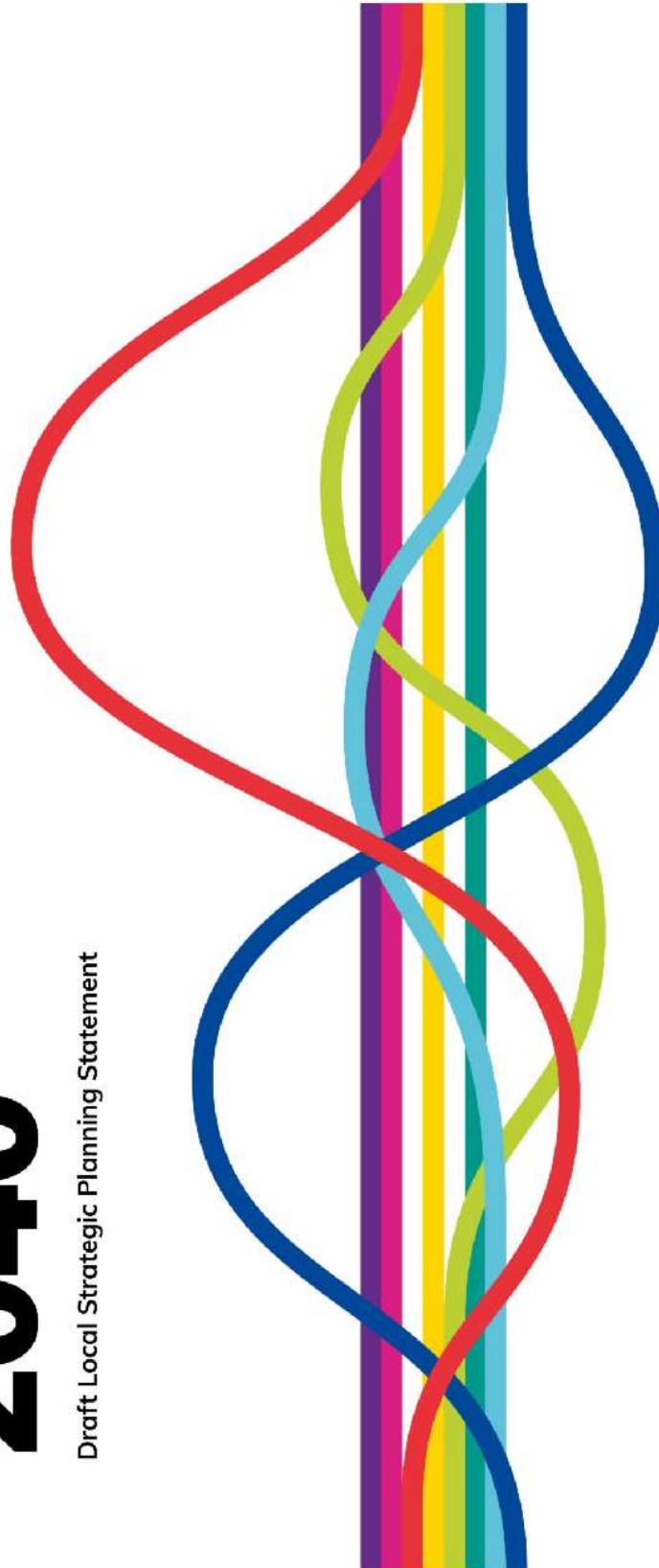
RECOMMENDATION OF PRINCIPAL PLANNER

That the Community Belonging Strategic Reference Group note:

- A. The draft Northern Beaches Local Strategic Planning Statement – *Towards 2040*
 - B. The supporting preliminary studies
 - C. The community engagement reports
 - D. That public exhibition of the draft Northern Beaches Local Strategic Planning Statement – *Towards 2040* is open until 10 November 2019.
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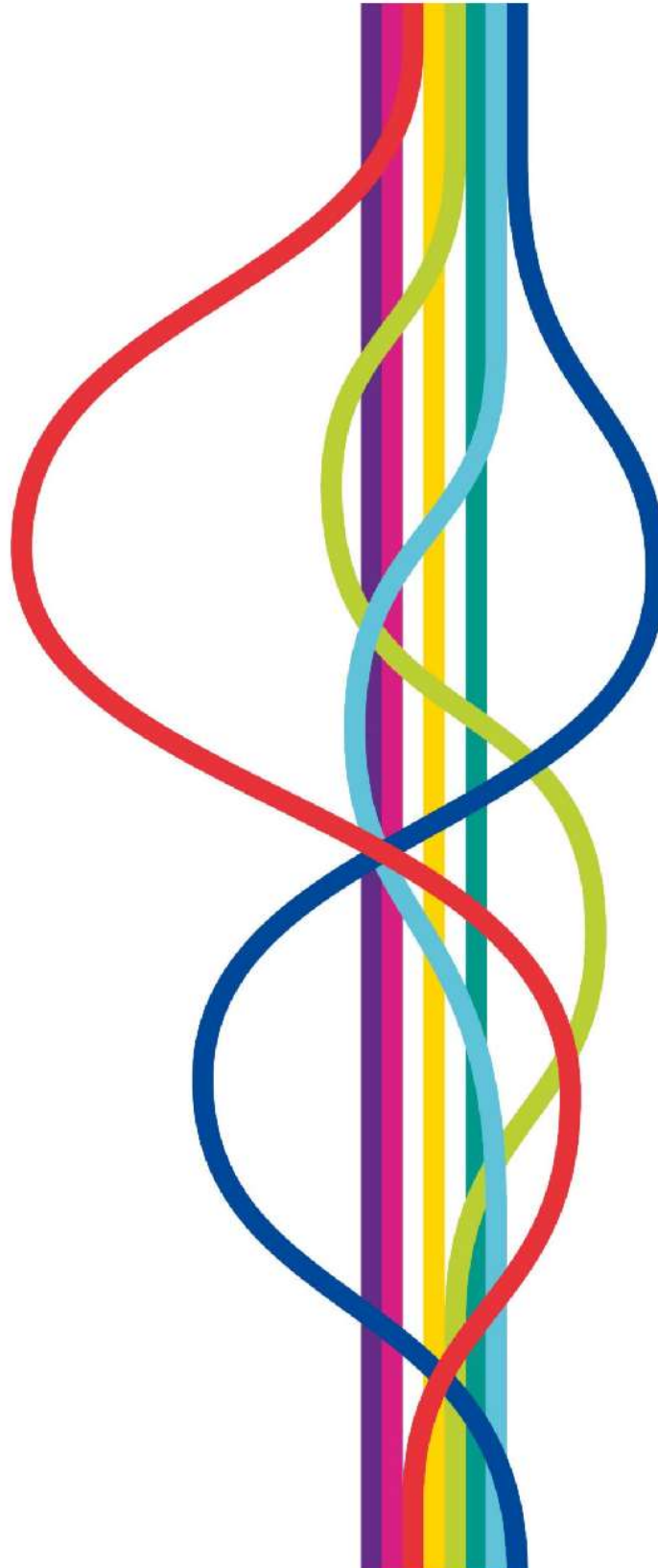
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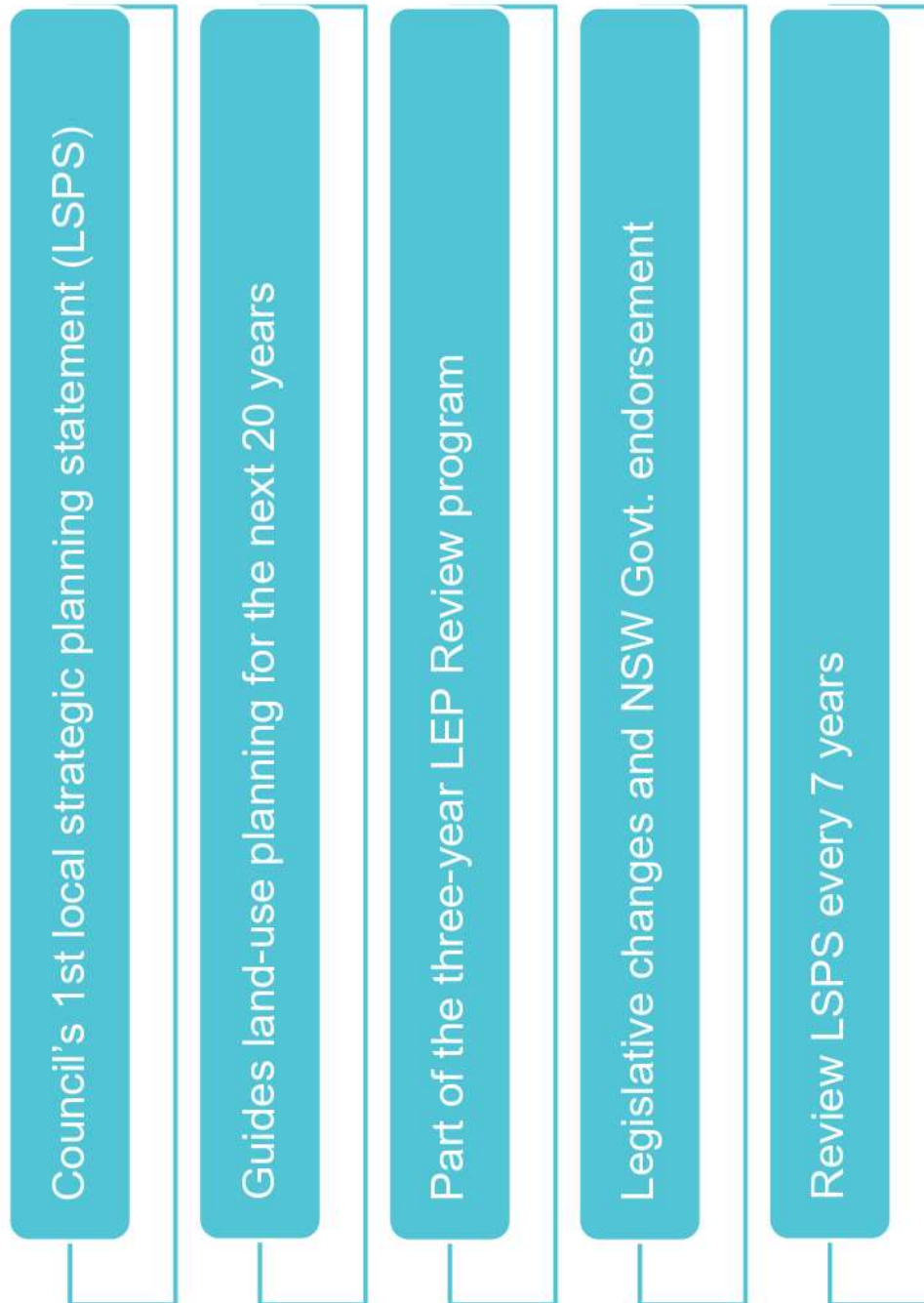
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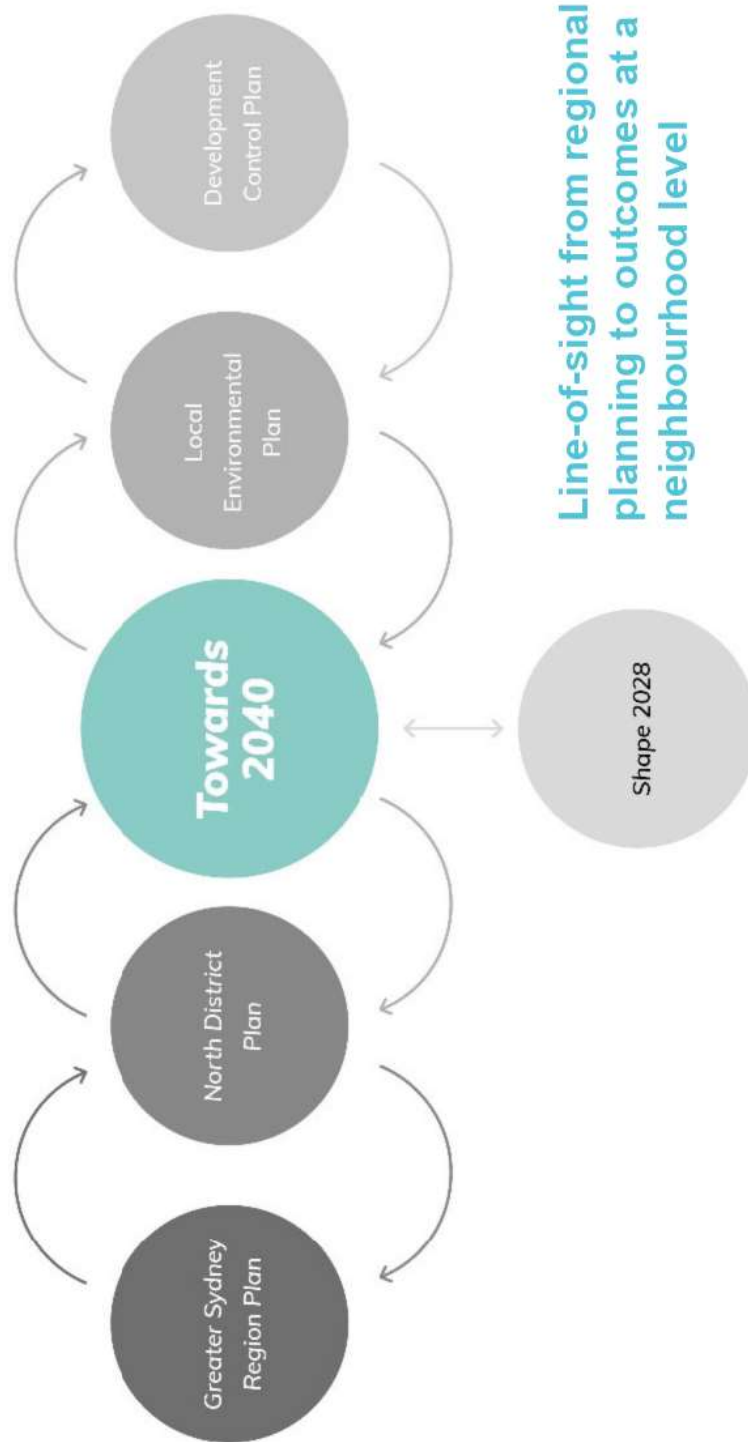
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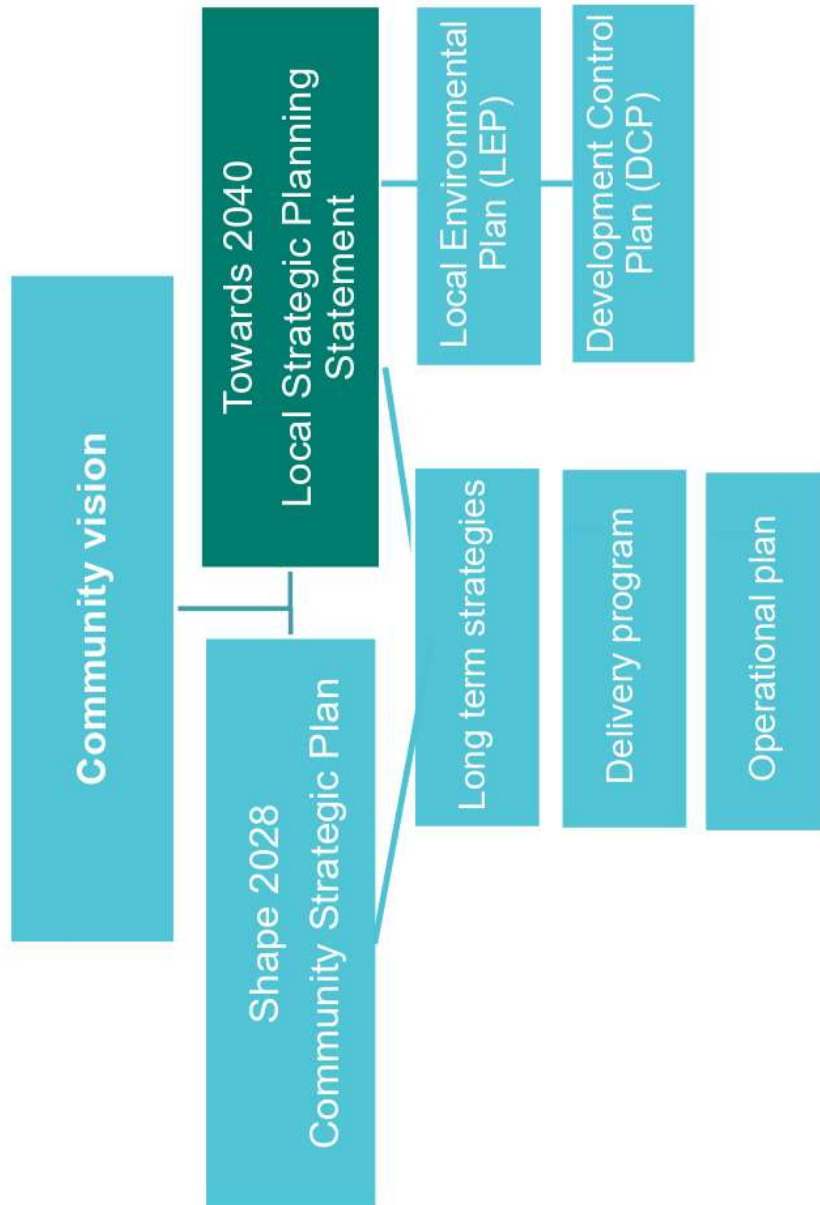




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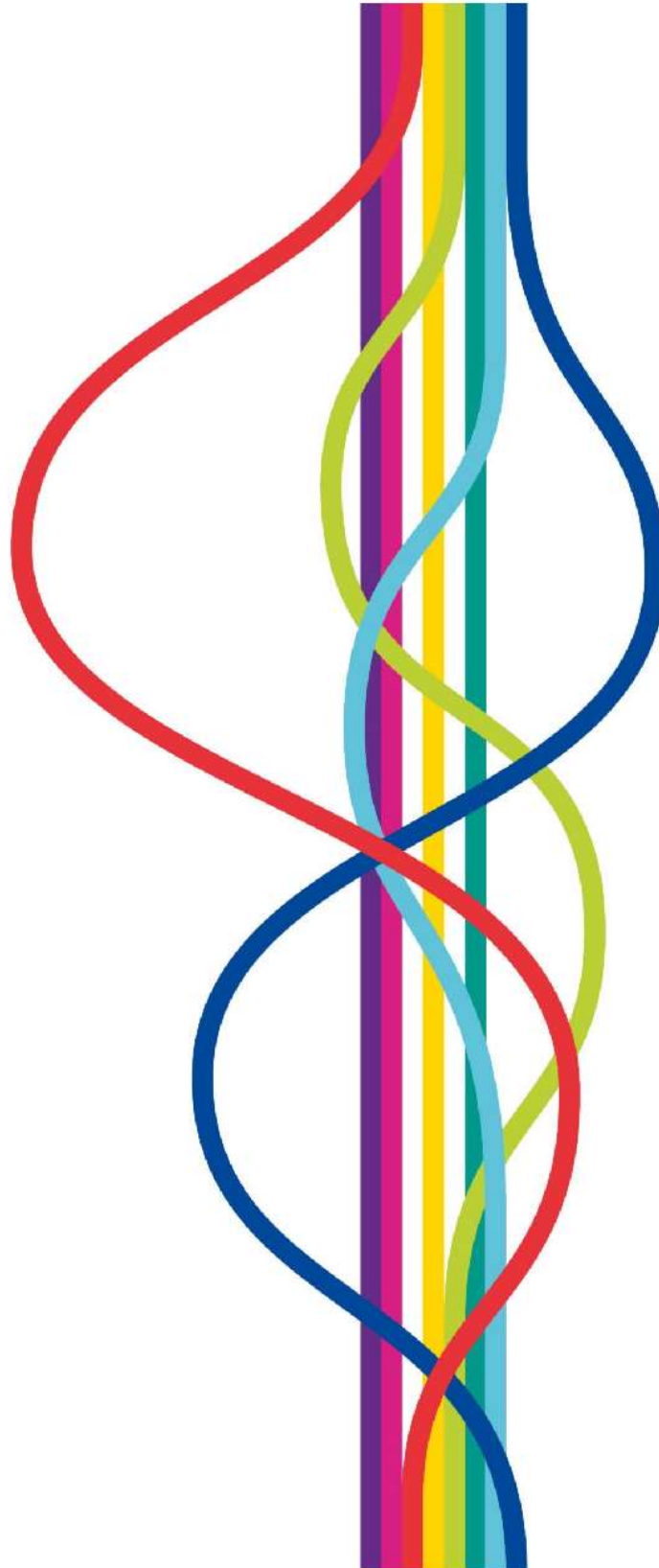
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Process



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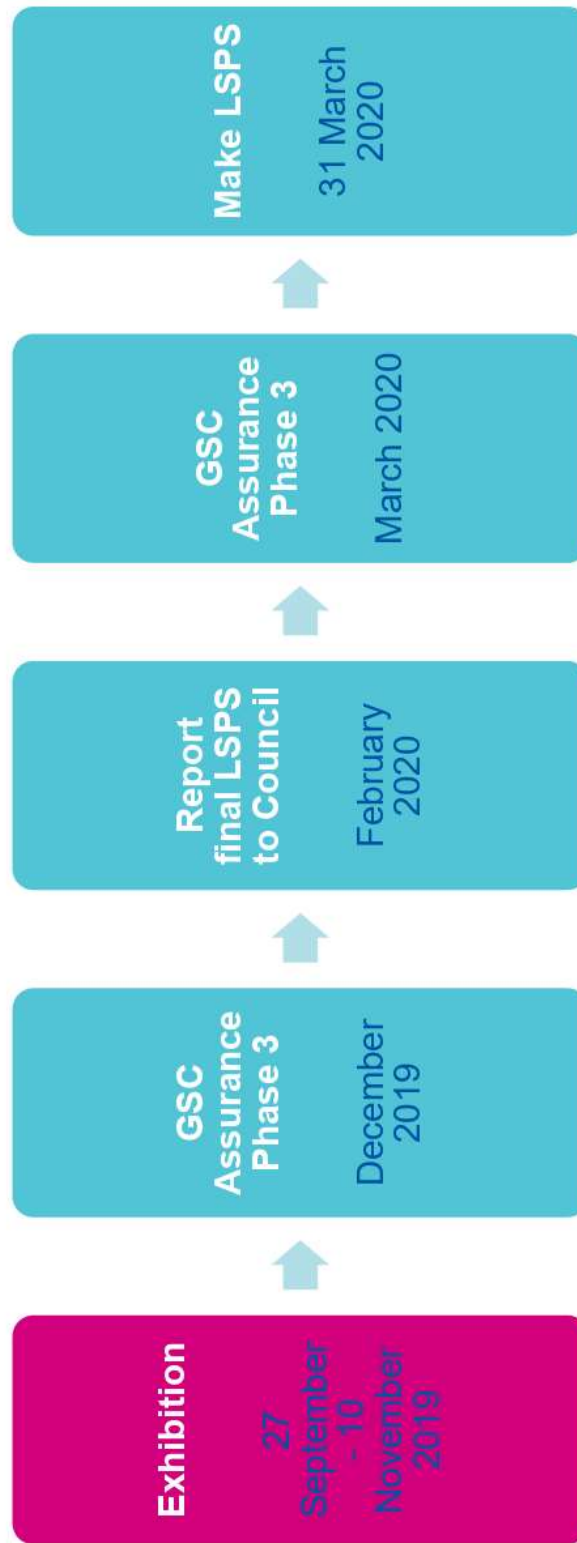


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LSPS finalisation program

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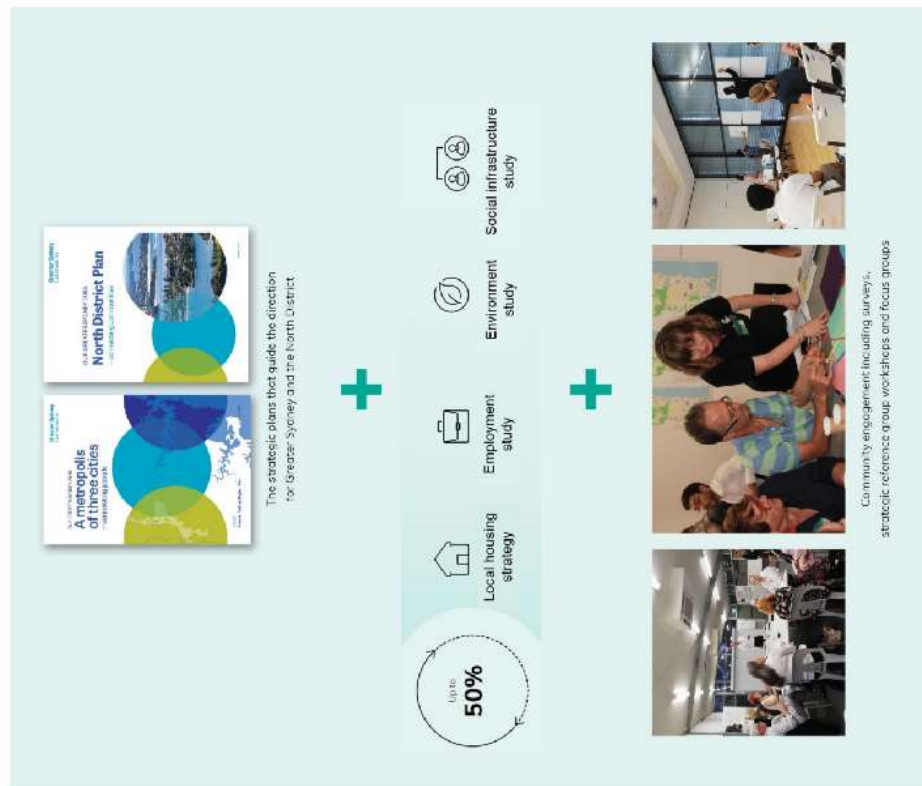


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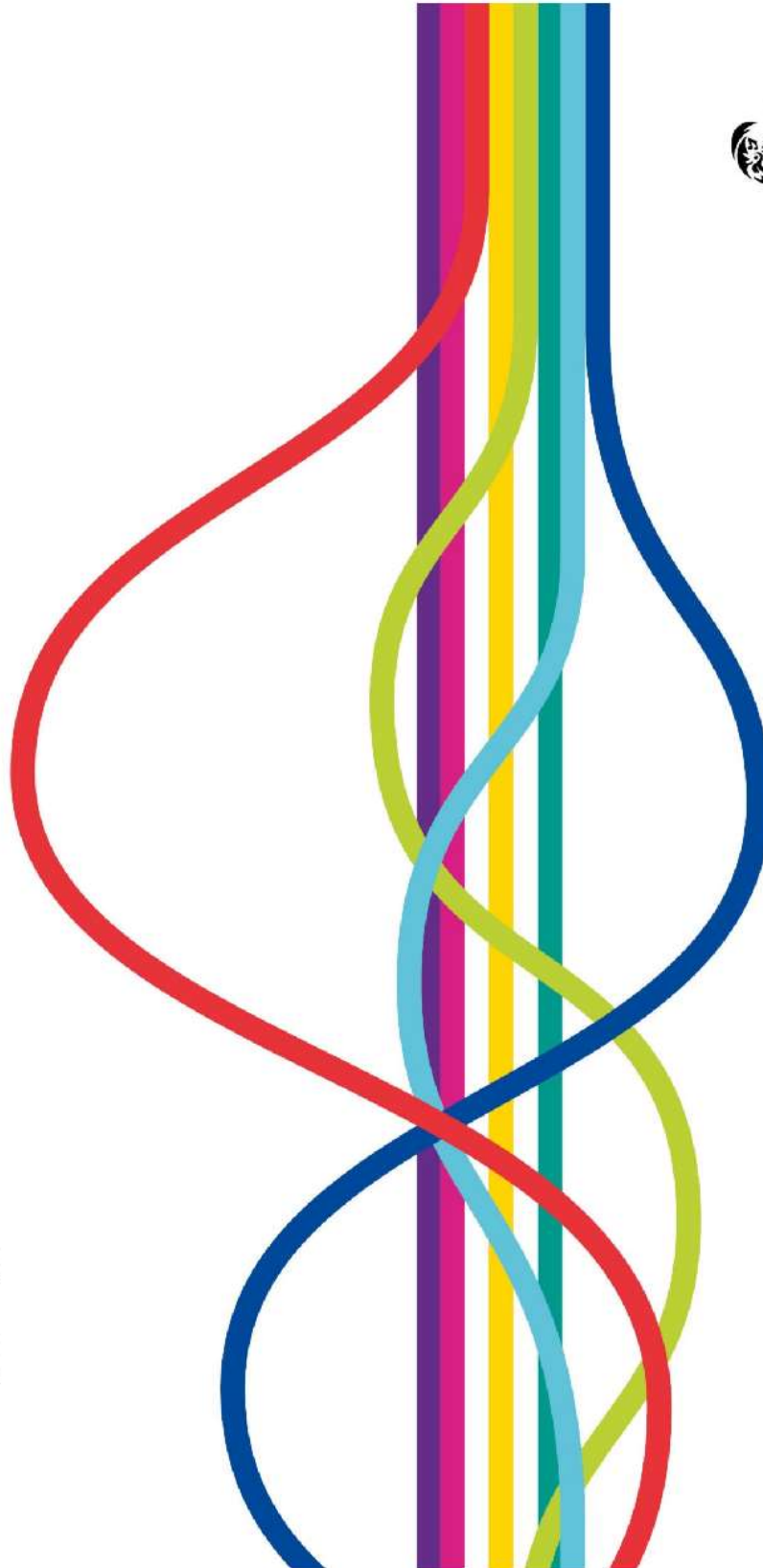


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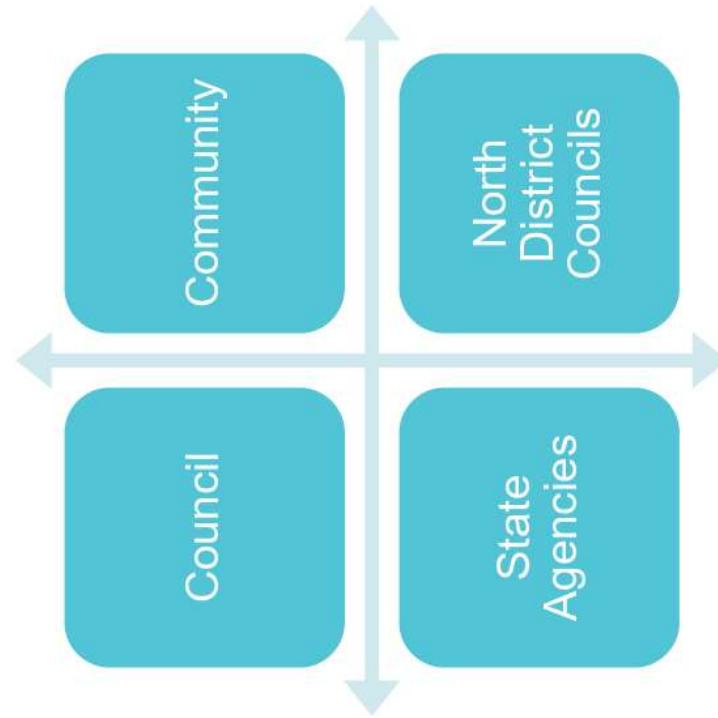
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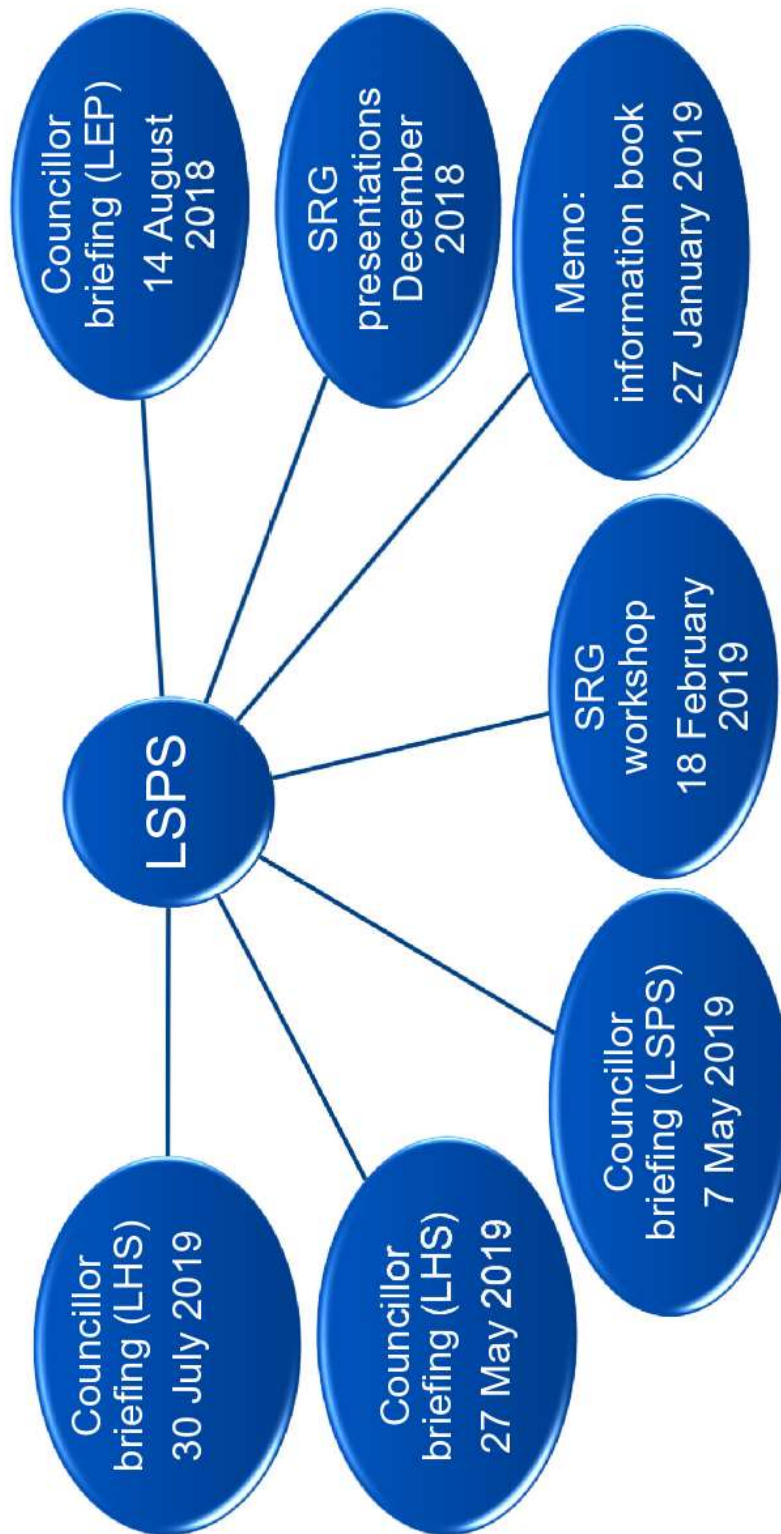


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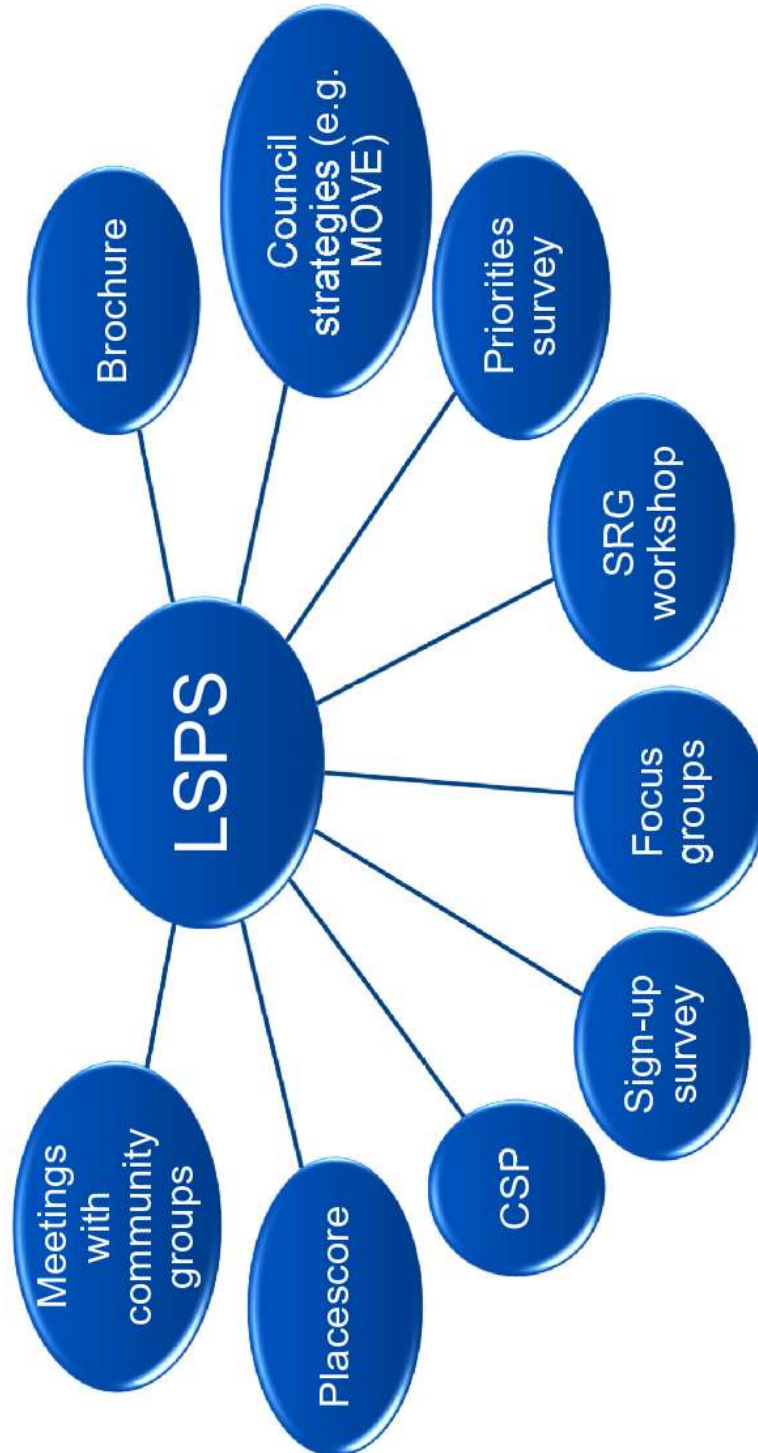
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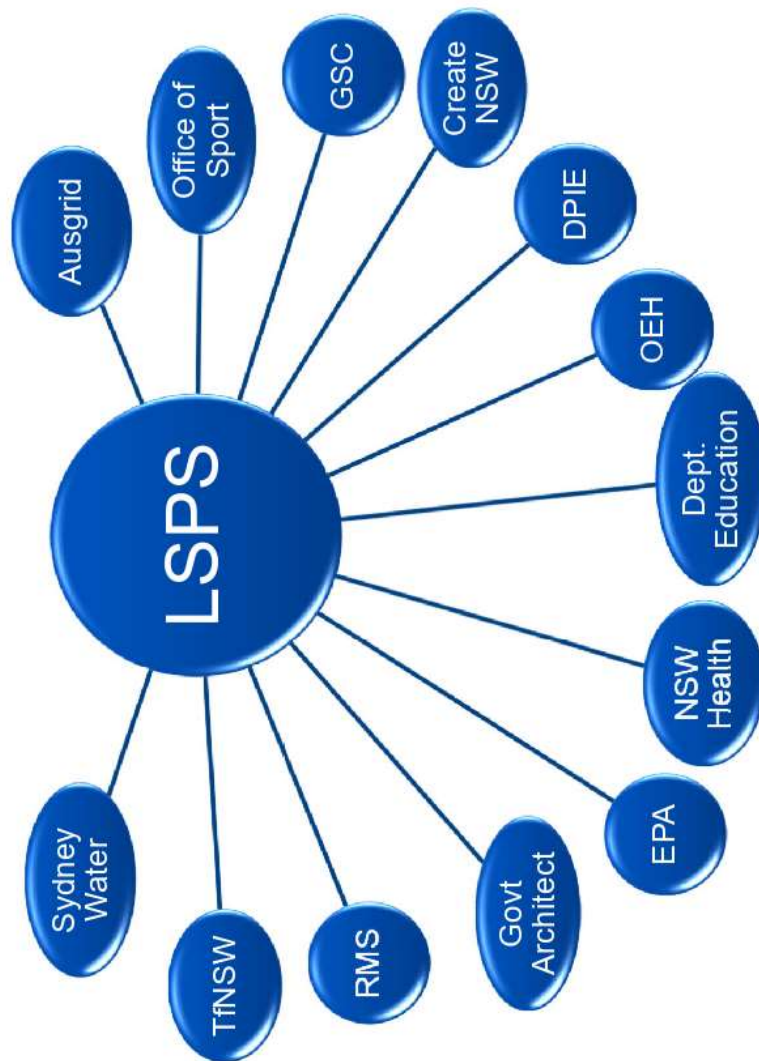


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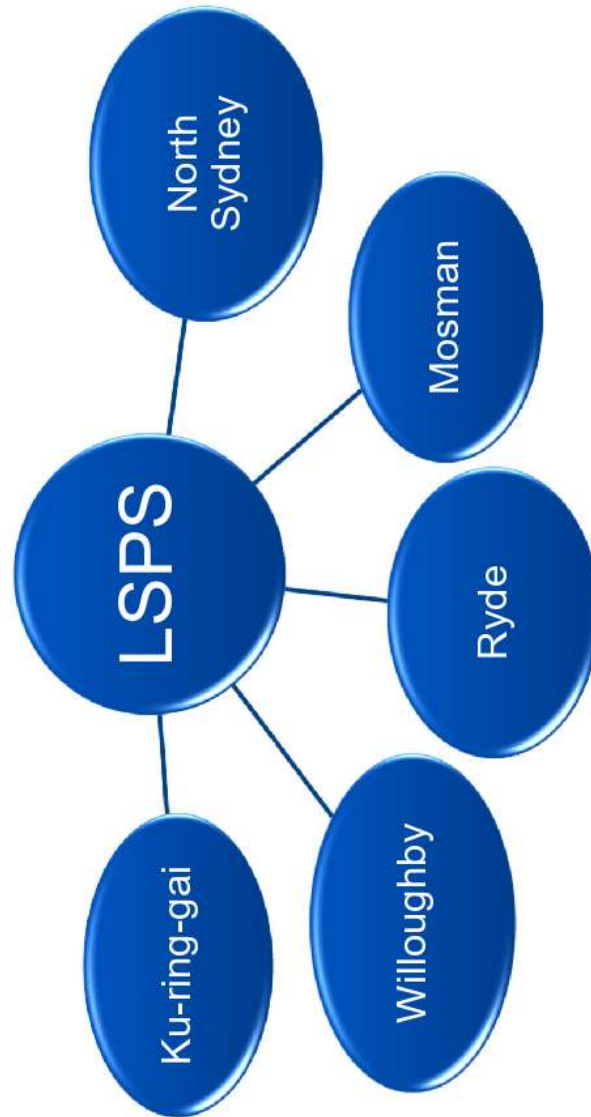


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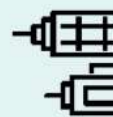
Key community insights



Embrace
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Protect the
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Growth can't
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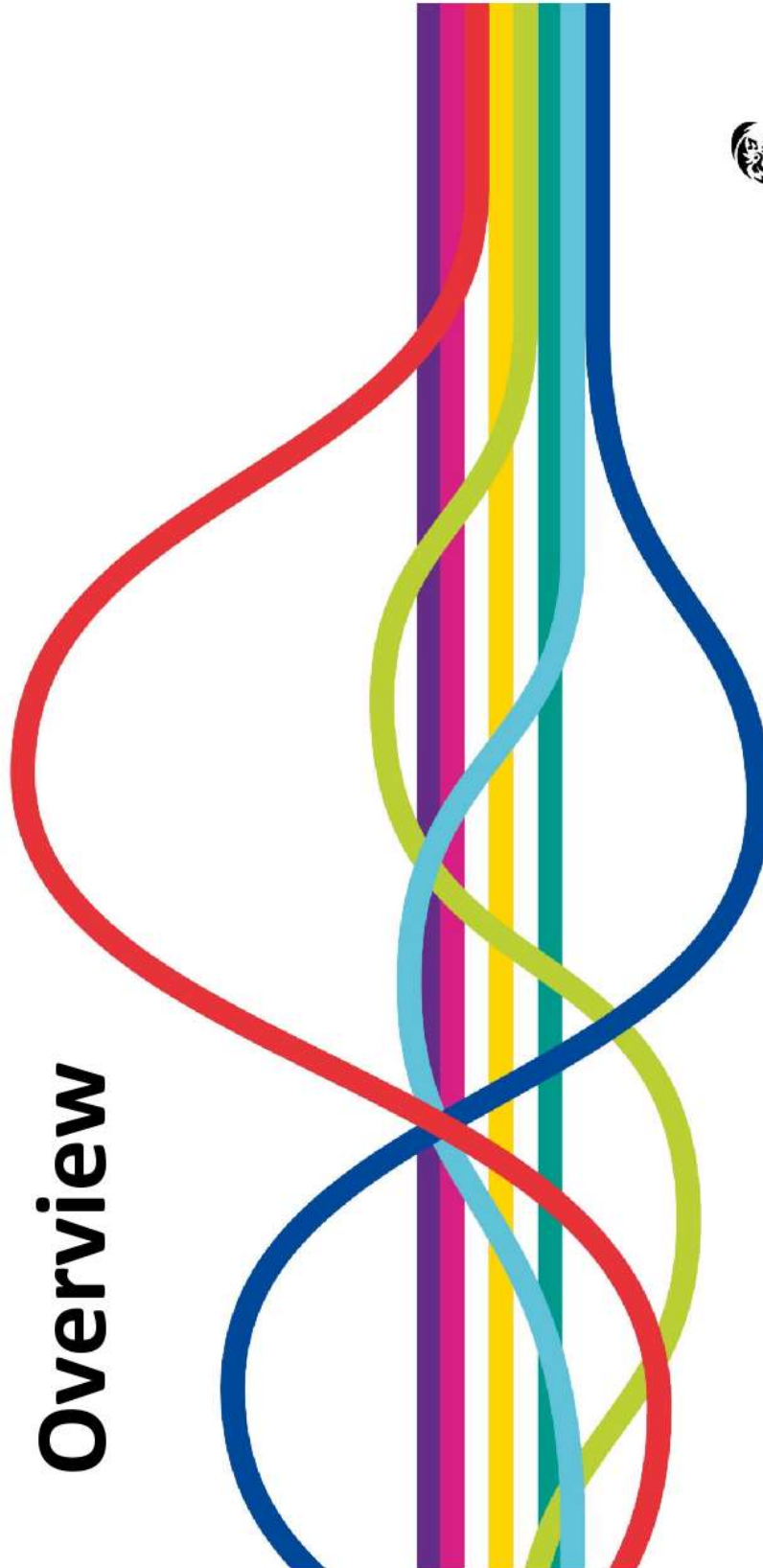
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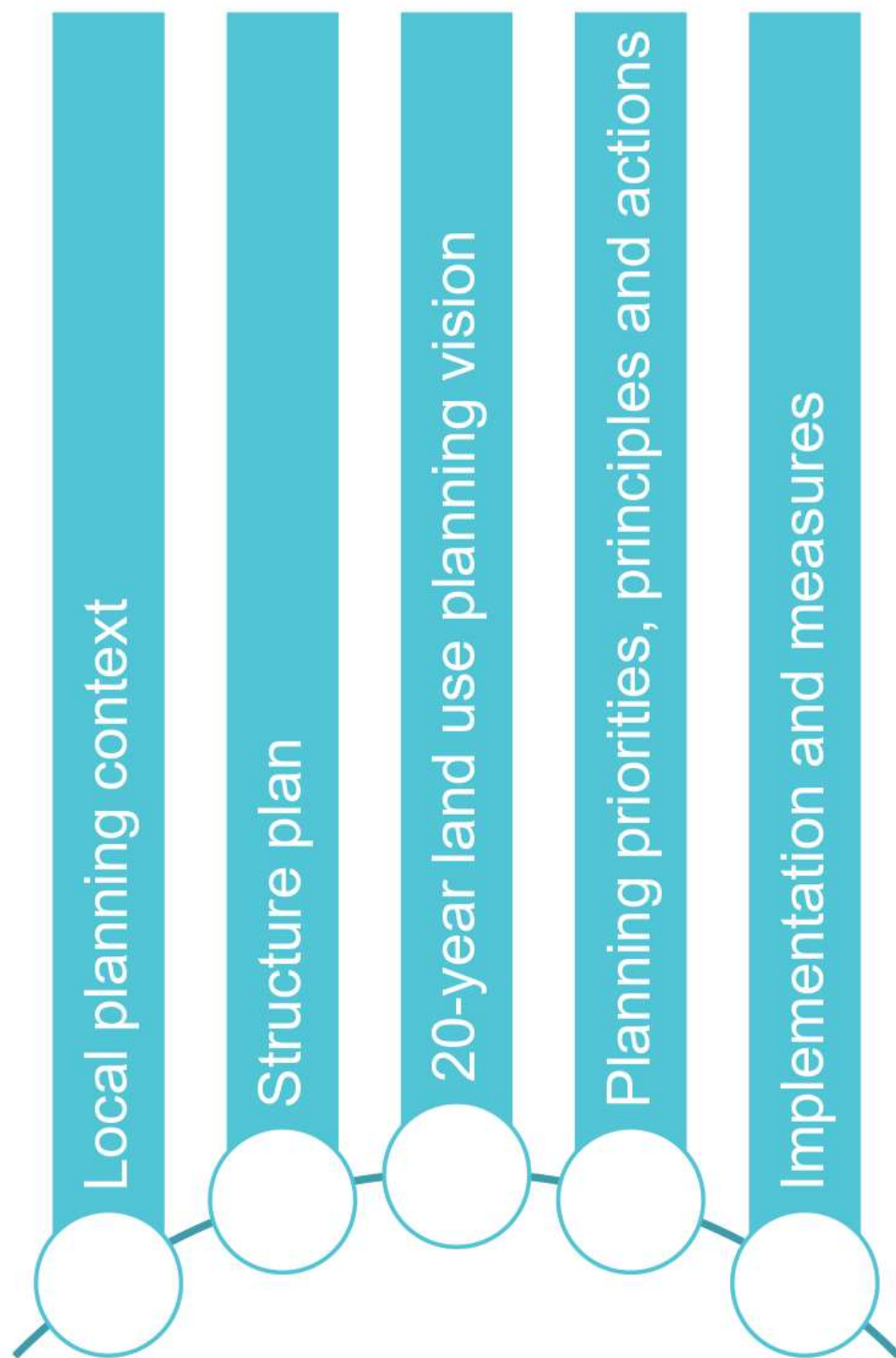


Protect unique
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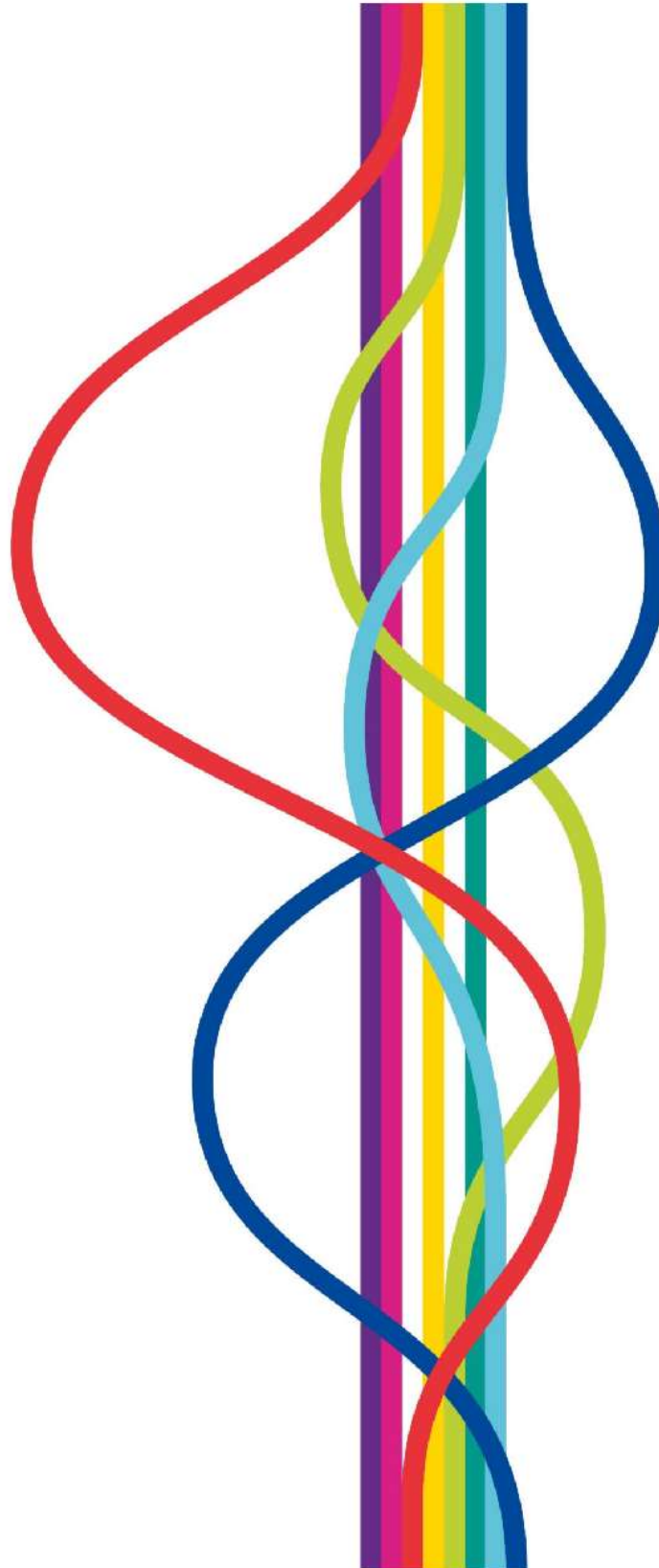
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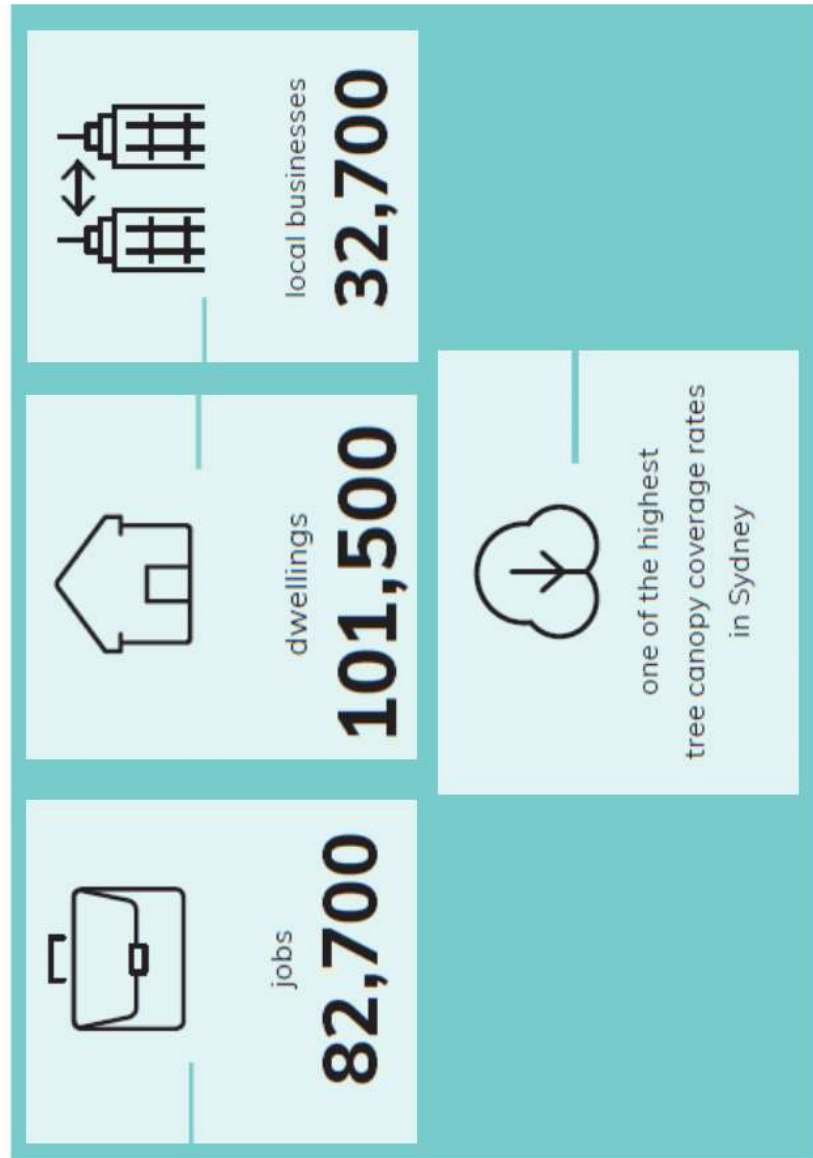




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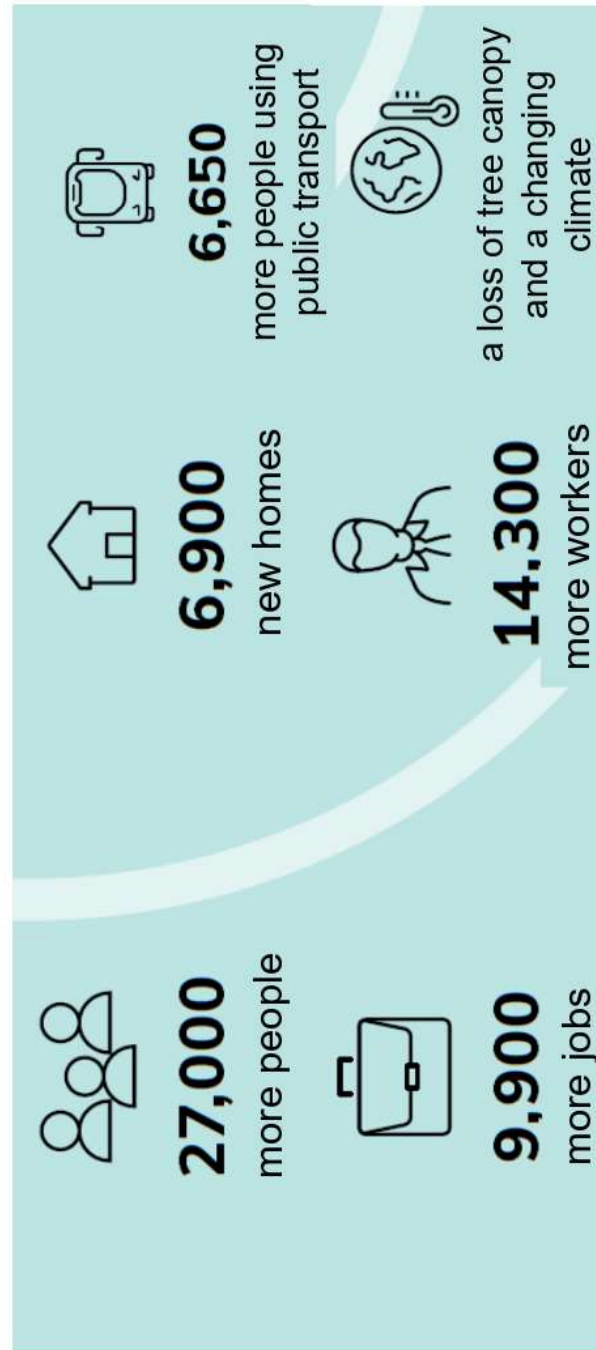


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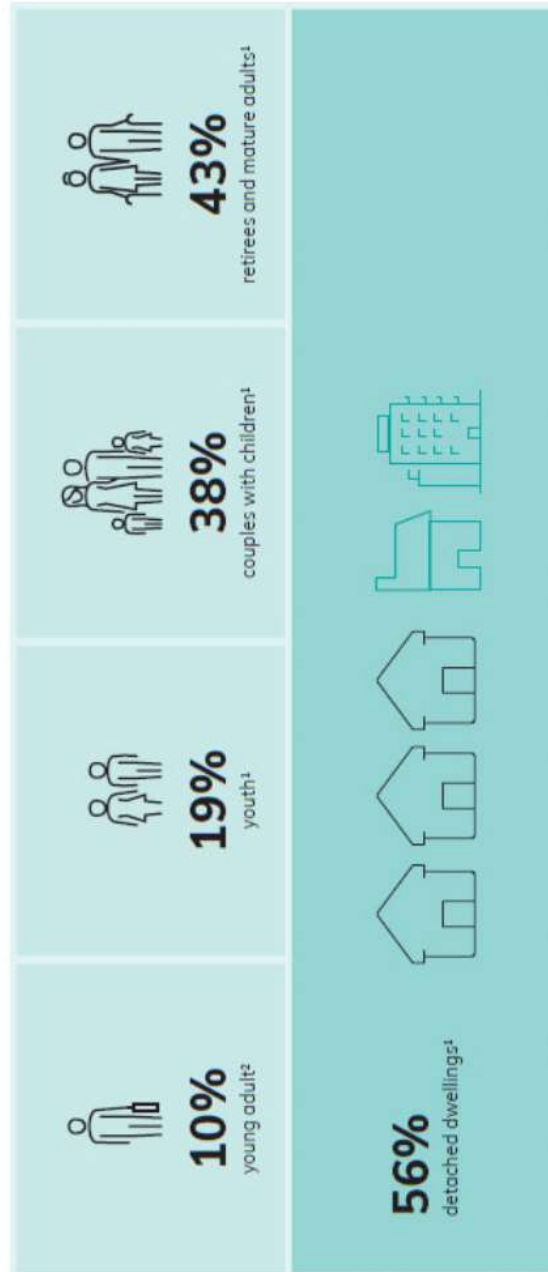
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How we have changed over the last 10 years



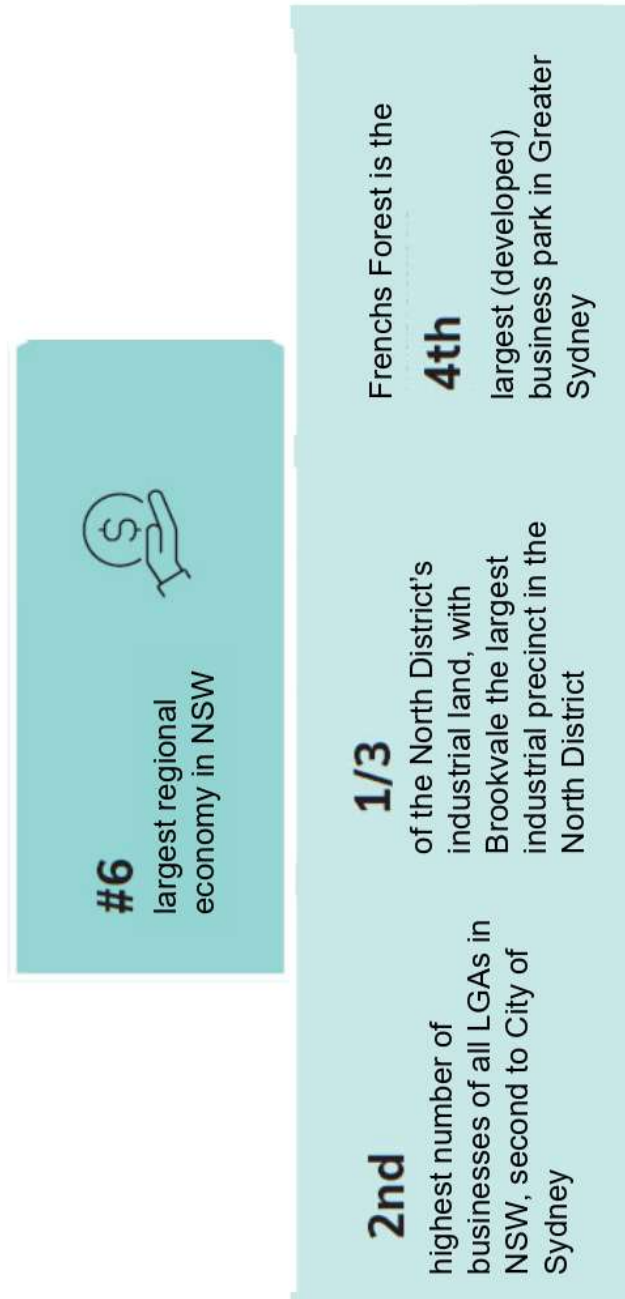
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A unique Northern Beaches







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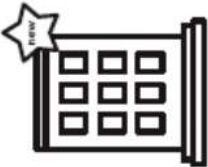

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More change to come

			
+39,000 additional people by 2036	More people living in higher density housing types	+11,200 additional dwellings by 2036	+10,000 social and affordable dwellings needed by 2036

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More change to come

		
Around 7,000-13,000 more jobs in strategic centres by 2036	A new strategic centre at Frenchs Forest	Large youth cohort to transition into young adults








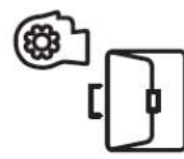
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Growing number
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Large
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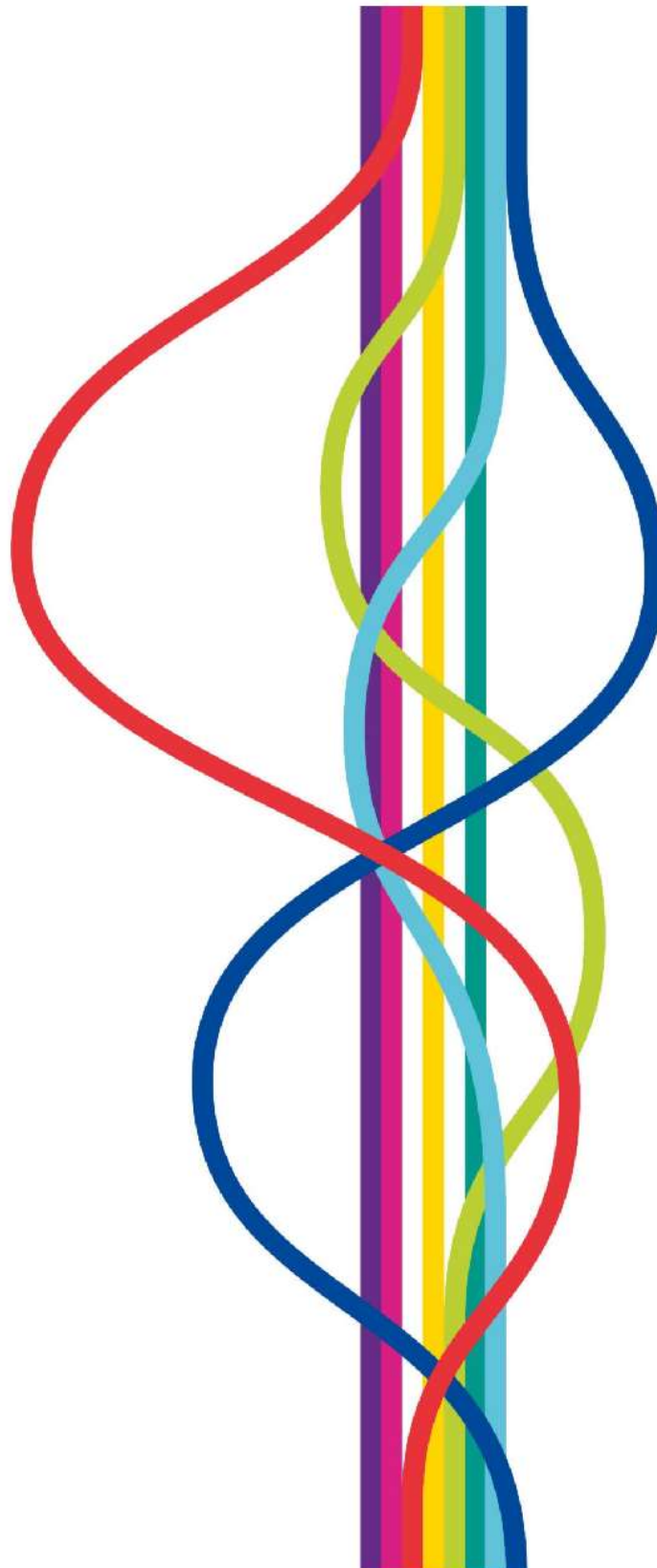
Key planning challenges

	Protecting the environment		Housing affordability and suitability		Service provision for changing demographics
	Limited public transport		Climate change adaptation and resilience		Mismatch of jobs and skills

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Vision



Structure Plan

A visionary plan for the next 20 years

- 5 strategic centres
- 9 local centres
- urban area
- network of open space
- Metropolitan Rural Area
- existing and planned housing capacity
- 4 fast and frequent public transport corridors

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20 year vision

Towards 2040



Sustainable

With a healthy and protected natural environment, Council champions sustainable built environments, an extensive urban tree canopy and green, cool urban areas. The environment and community is resilient to urban and natural hazards and climate change.



Connected

By four fast and frequent public transport corridors, that link to the rest of Greater Sydney, supported by safe and convenient walking and cycling paths and innovative and emerging transport technology, making it possible to live without a car and access more services and opportunities within 30 minutes.



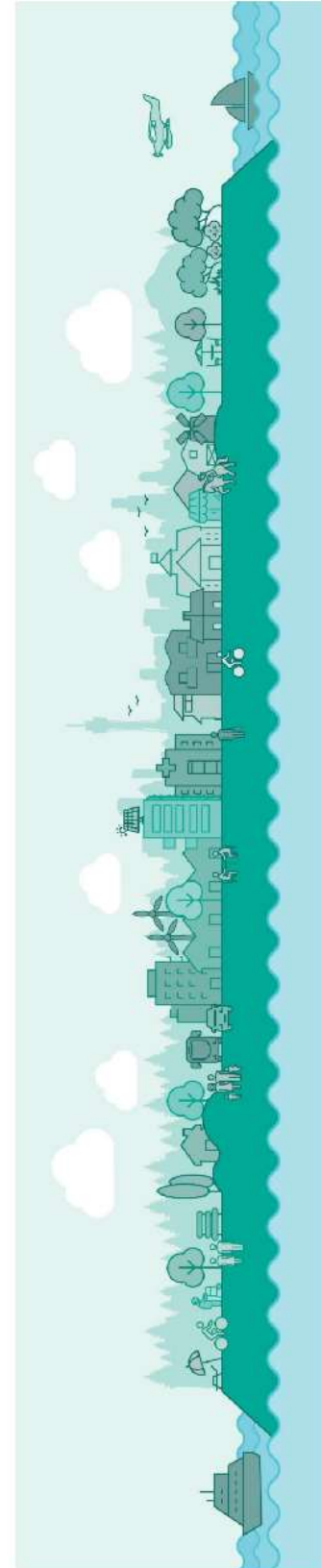
Liveable

With great places and built forms that exhibit design excellence and complement local character and heritage. Housing is diverse and affordable and local places are friendly and inclusive. The community can easily access artistic, creative, sporting and recreational opportunities and the services and facilities that support their health and wellbeing.

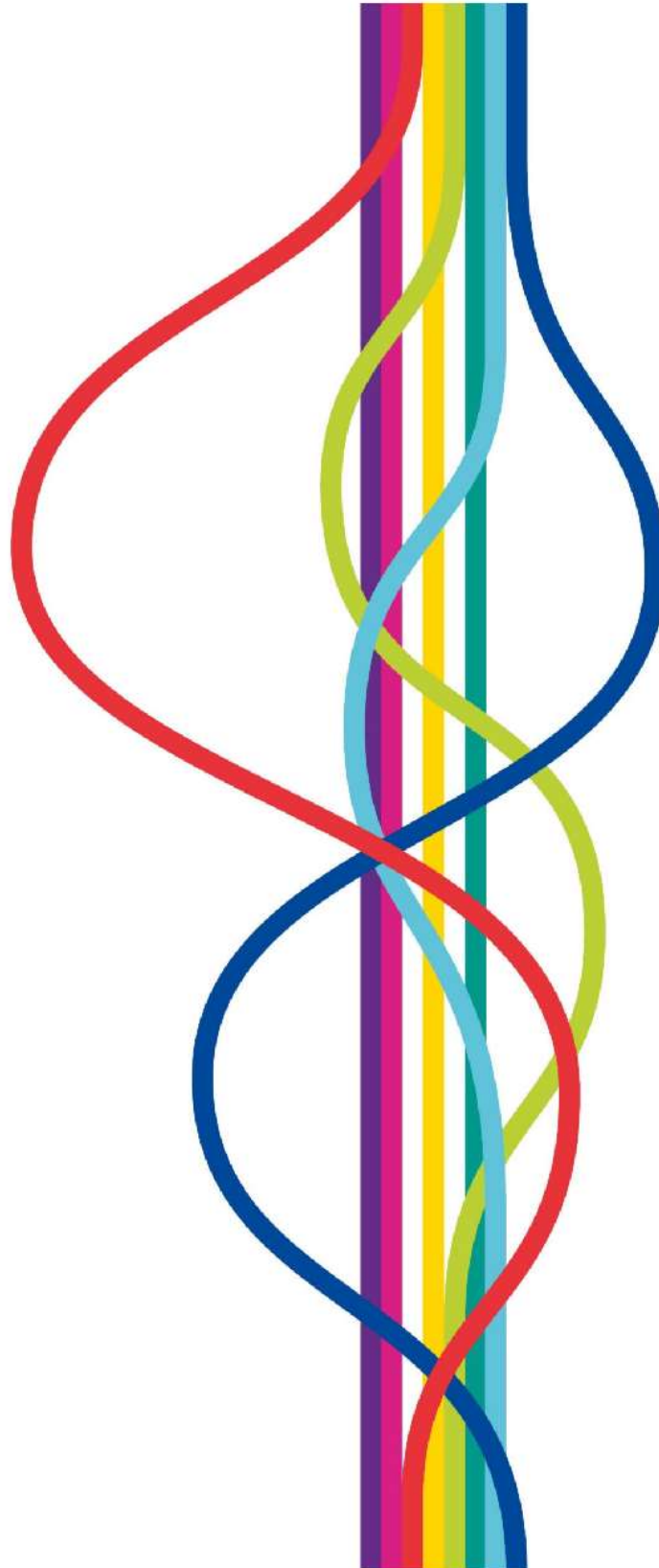


Productive

With a thriving local economy and a sustainable mix of employment and industrial lands and vibrant and enlivened centres.











Planning Priorities



Themes and directions




Plan on a page

Direction	Priorities					
 Landscape	Priority 1 Healthy and valued coast and waterways	Priority 2 Protected and enhanced built and biodiversity	Priority 3 Protected scenic and cultural landscapes	Priority 4 Protected Metropolitan Rural Area	Priority 5 Greener urban environments	Priority 6 High quality open space for recreation
	Priority 7 A low carbon community with high energy, water and waste efficiency					
	Priority 8 Greener community resilience to natural hazards and climate change					
 Infrastructure and education	Priority 9 Infrastructure delivered with employment and housing growth	Priority 10 World class education facilities, including universities	Priority 11 Community facilities and services that meet changing community needs	Priority 12 An inclusive, healthy, safe and socially connected community	Priority 13 Strong engagement and cooperation with Aboriginal communities	Priority 14 An artistic, creative and innovative culture
	Priority 15 Housing supply, choice and affordability in the right locations	Priority 16 Access to quality social and affordable housing				
	Priority 17 Centres and neighbourhoods designed to reflect local character and lifestyle	Priority 18 Protected, conserved and celebrated heritage				
 Great places	Priority 19 Excellent and efficient regional public transport connections	Priority 20 Strengthened local transport networks	Priority 21 Rural spaces and facilities to match changing community needs			
	Priority 22 Jobs that match the skills and needs of the community	Priority 23 Enriching jobs in a sustainable health and education precinct	Priority 24 Embedding us in employment and innovation centre	Priority 25 Diverse and thriving contemporary centres by the sea	Priority 26 Marine Sydney's are a regional destination	Priority 27 More vibrant the contemporary urban heart of the north
 Connectivity						
	Priority 28 Unemployment employment hubs	Priority 29 A thriving sustainable tourism economy	Priority 30 A diverse high-tips economy			
 Jobs and skills						
Notes:	 Sustainability  Liveability  Productivity					

Themes:  Sustainability  Infrastructure and collaboration  Liveability  Productivity

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Landscape

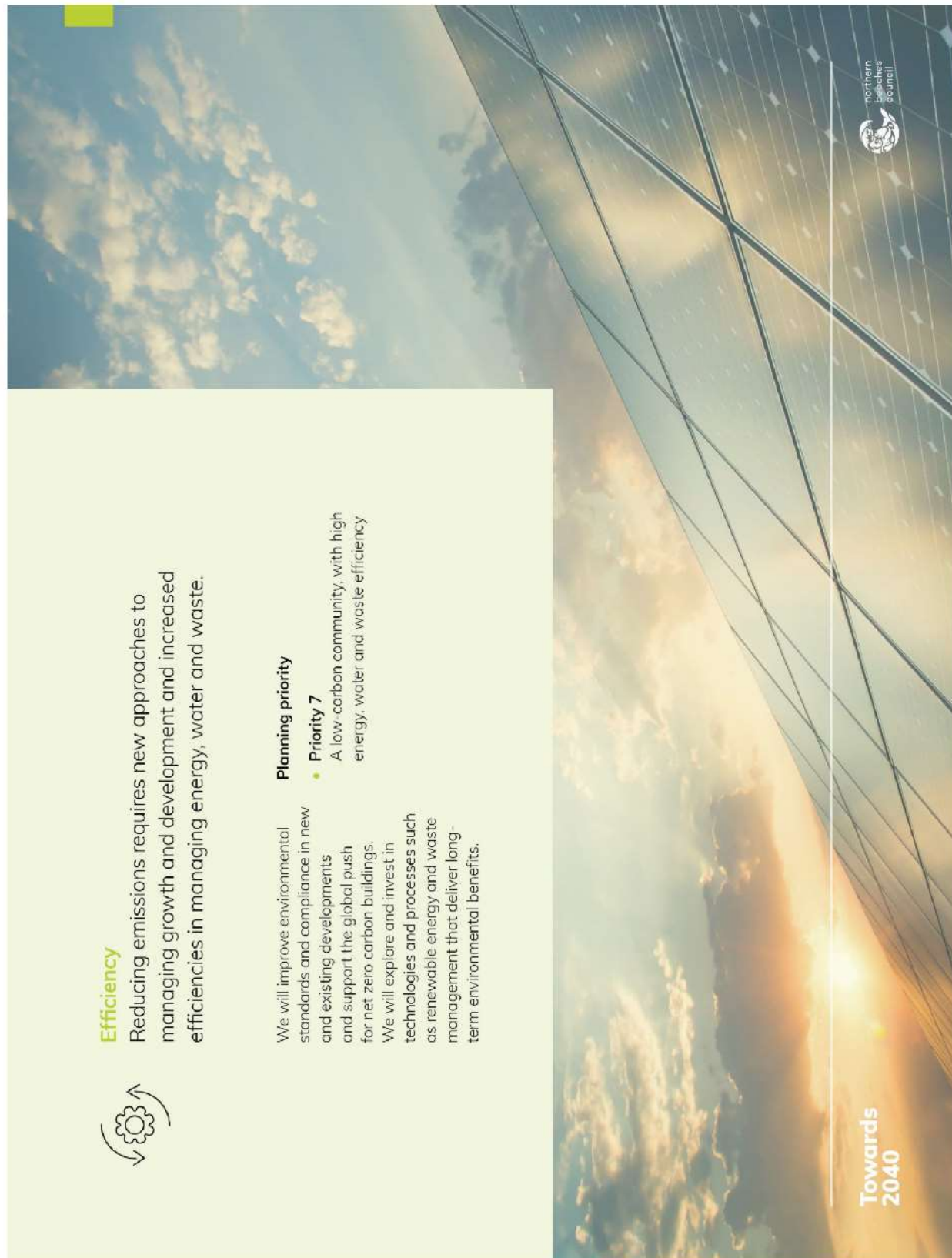
The LGA's environmental and recreational attributes are perhaps the most critical element of the Northern Beaches lifestyle.


Planning priorities

- **Priority 1**
Healthy and valued coast and waterways
- **Priority 2**
Protected and enhanced bushland and biodiversity
- **Priority 3**
Protected scenic and cultural landscapes
- **Priority 4**
Protected Metropolitan Rural Area
- **Priority 5**
Greener urban environments
- **Priority 6**
High quality open space for recreation



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Efficiency

Reducing emissions requires new approaches to managing growth and development and increased efficiencies in managing energy, water and waste.


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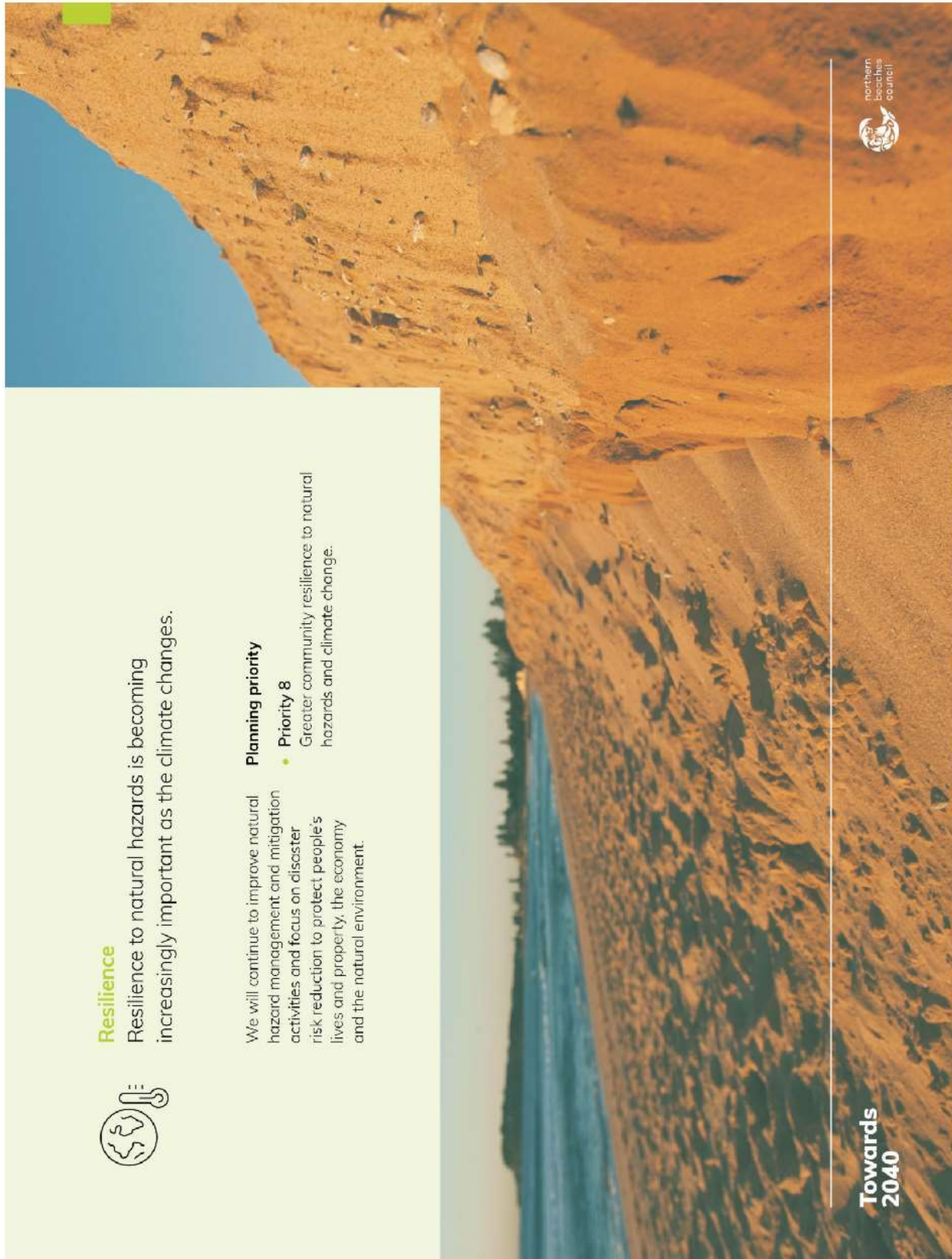
- **Priority 7**
A low-carbon community, with high energy, water and waste efficiency

We will improve environmental standards and compliance in new and existing developments and support the global push for net zero carbon buildings.

We will explore and invest in technologies and processes such as renewable energy and waste management that deliver long-term environmental benefits.

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Resilience

Resilience to natural hazards is becoming increasingly important as the climate changes.

We will continue to improve natural hazard management and mitigation activities and focus on disaster risk reduction to protect people's lives and property, the economy and the natural environment.

Planning priority

- **Priority 8**
Greater community resilience to natural hazards and climate change.

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Infrastructure and collaboration

Providing new and upgraded infrastructure such as public transport, schools and open space is essential to a more liveable, sustainable and productive Northern Beaches.

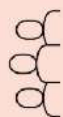
We will partner with State agencies, councils, the community and other stakeholders to optimise existing infrastructure, deliver new and upgraded infrastructure and align growth with infrastructure planning.

Planning priority

- **Priority 9**
Infrastructure delivered with employment and housing growth



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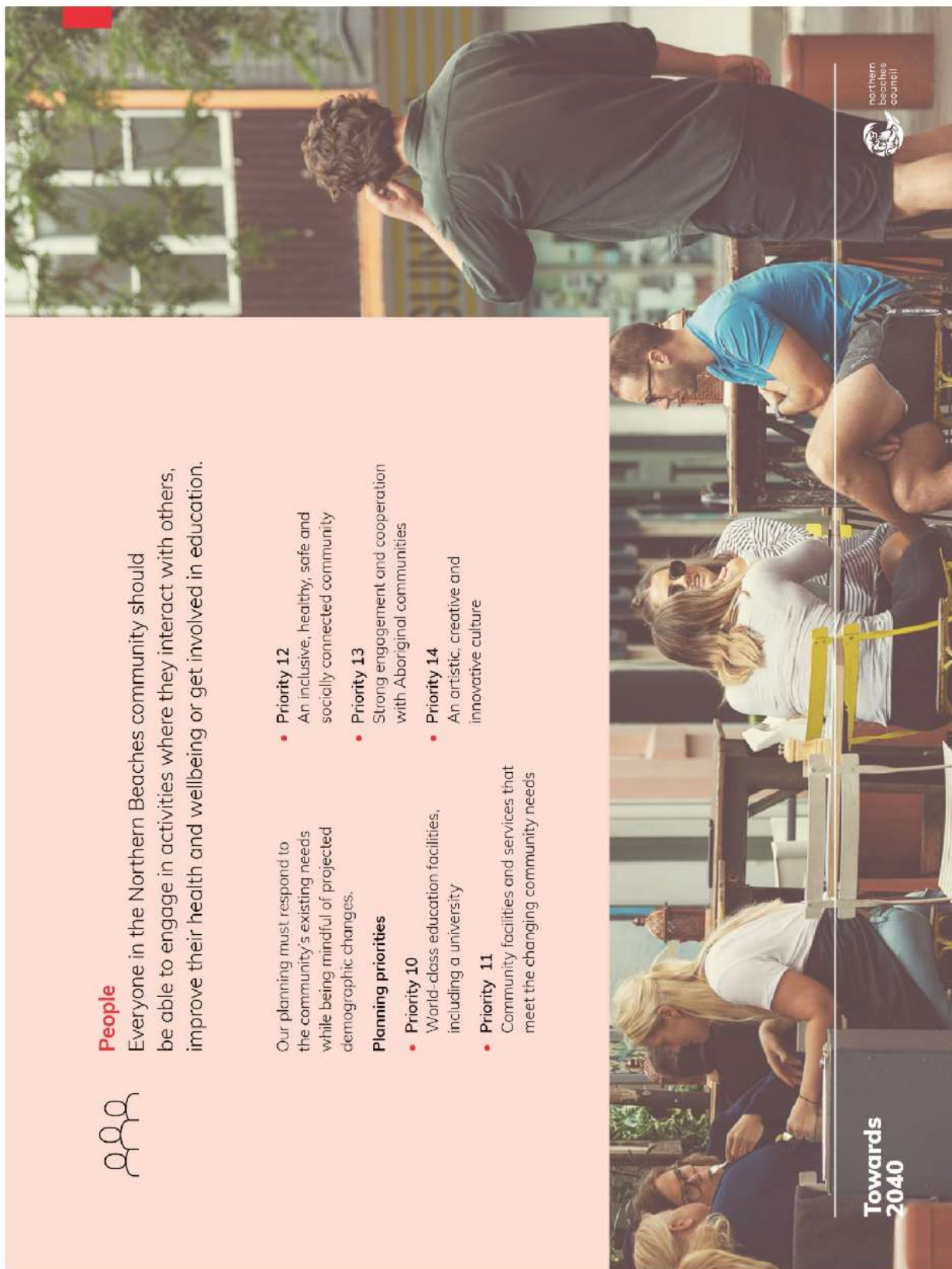
People

Everyone in the Northern Beaches community should be able to engage in activities where they interact with others, improve their health and wellbeing or get involved in education.

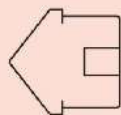
Our planning must respond to the community's existing needs while being mindful of projected demographic changes.

Planning priorities

- **Priority 10**
World-class education facilities, including a university
- **Priority 11**
Community facilities and services that meet the changing community needs
- **Priority 12**
An inclusive, healthy, safe and socially connected community
- **Priority 13**
Strong engagement and cooperation with Aboriginal communities
- **Priority 14**
An artistic, creative and innovative culture



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Housing

Demand for housing is linked to population growth.

The population of the Northern Beaches is steadily growing. Much of the demand for new housing can be met by development in areas already zoned for growth such as Dee Why, Brookvale and Mona Vale, and by developing areas such as the Frenchs Forest Planned Precinct. We will still need to identify and plan for some growth in new areas over the medium to longer term to meet demand.

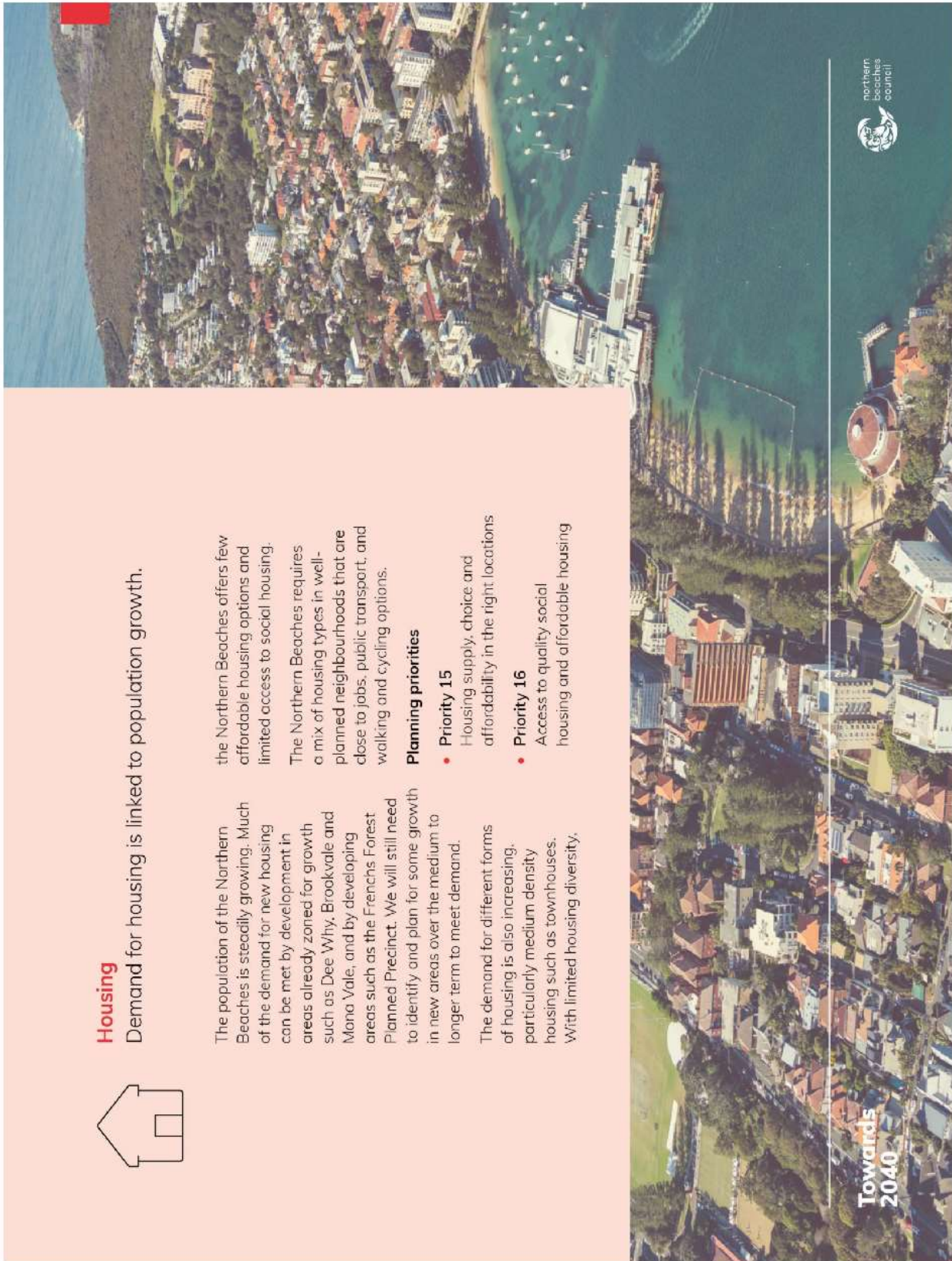
The demand for different forms of housing is also increasing, particularly medium density housing such as townhouses. With limited housing diversity,

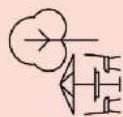
the Northern Beaches offers few affordable housing options and limited access to social housing.

The Northern Beaches requires a mix of housing types in well-planned neighbourhoods that are close to jobs, public transport, and walking and cycling options.

Planning priorities

- **Priority 15**
Housing supply, choice and affordability in the right locations
- **Priority 16**
Access to quality social housing and affordable housing





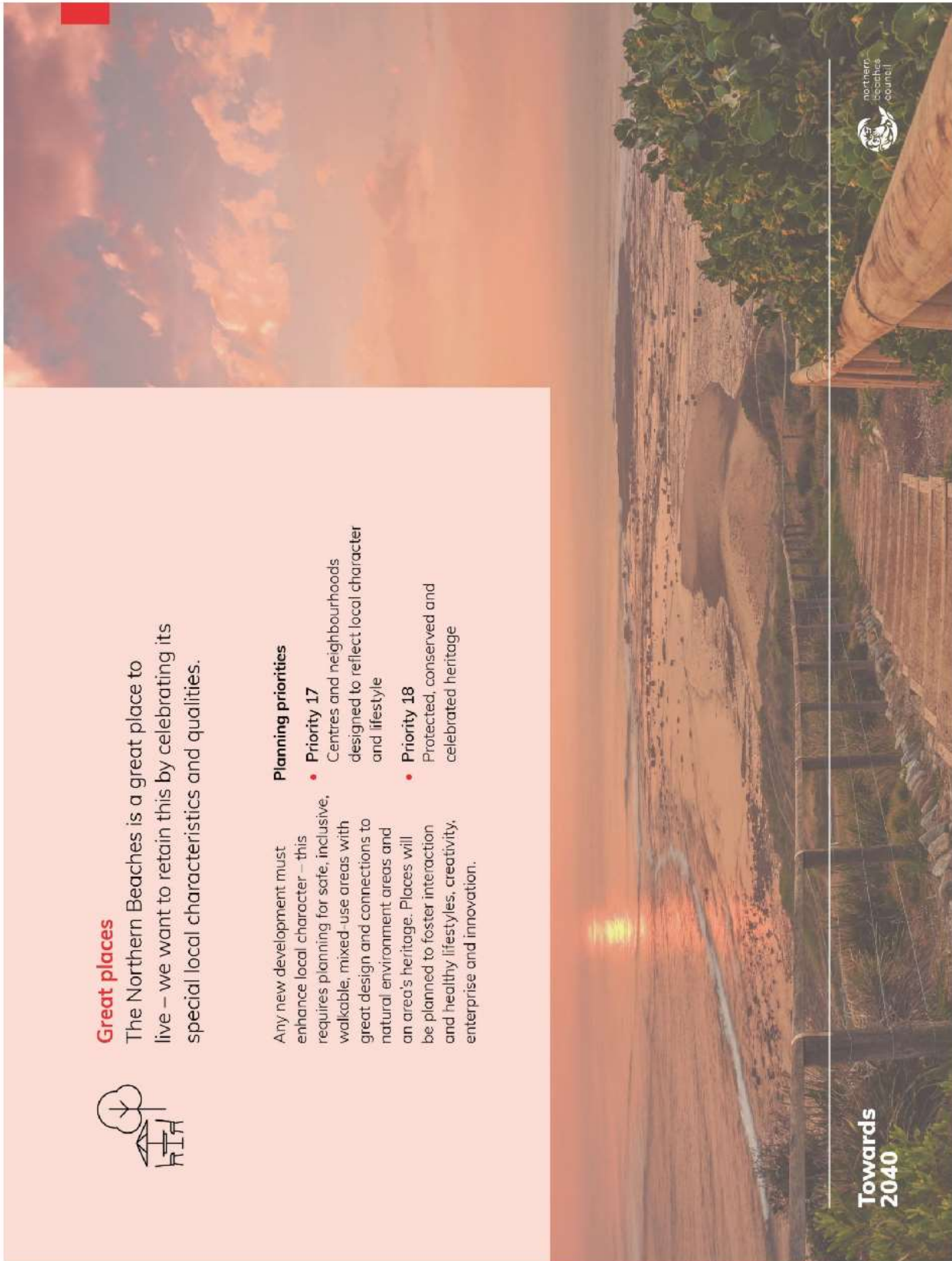
Great places

The Northern Beaches is a great place to live – we want to retain this by celebrating its special local characteristics and qualities.

Any new development must enhance local character – this requires planning for safe, inclusive, walkable, mixed-use areas with great design and connections to natural environment areas and an area's heritage. Places will be planned to foster interaction and healthy lifestyles, creativity, enterprise and innovation.

Planning priorities

- **Priority 17**
Centres and neighbourhoods designed to reflect local character and lifestyle
- **Priority 18**
Protected, conserved and celebrated heritage



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Connectivity

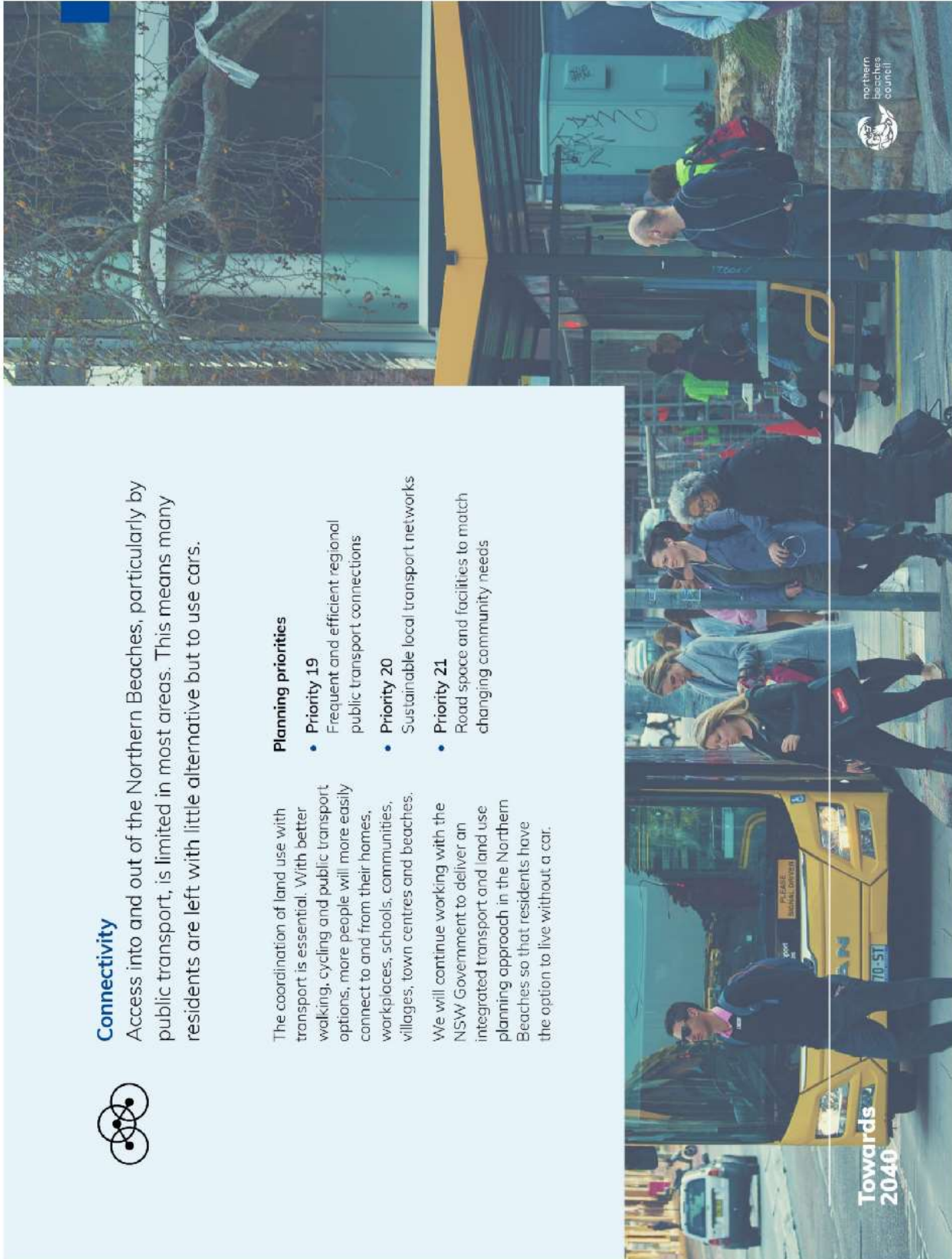
Access into and out of the Northern Beaches, particularly by public transport, is limited in most areas. This means many residents are left with little alternative but to use cars.

The coordination of land use with transport is essential. With better walking, cycling and public transport options, more people will more easily connect to and from their homes, workplaces, schools, communities, villages, town centres and beaches.

We will continue working with the NSW Government to deliver an integrated transport and land use planning approach in the Northern Beaches so that residents have the option to live without a car.

Planning priorities

- **Priority 19**
Frequent and efficient regional public transport connections
- **Priority 20**
Sustainable local transport networks
- **Priority 21**
Road space and facilities to match changing community needs





Jobs and skills

The LGA's strategic centres underpin the Northern Beaches economy.

Well-planned strategic centres stimulate economic activity, provide jobs closer to home and use infrastructure more efficiently, while local centres are essential for the local population to access goods and services.

We will continue to strengthen the local economy, improve access to jobs and plan for vibrant mixed use centres that support local industries and innovation.

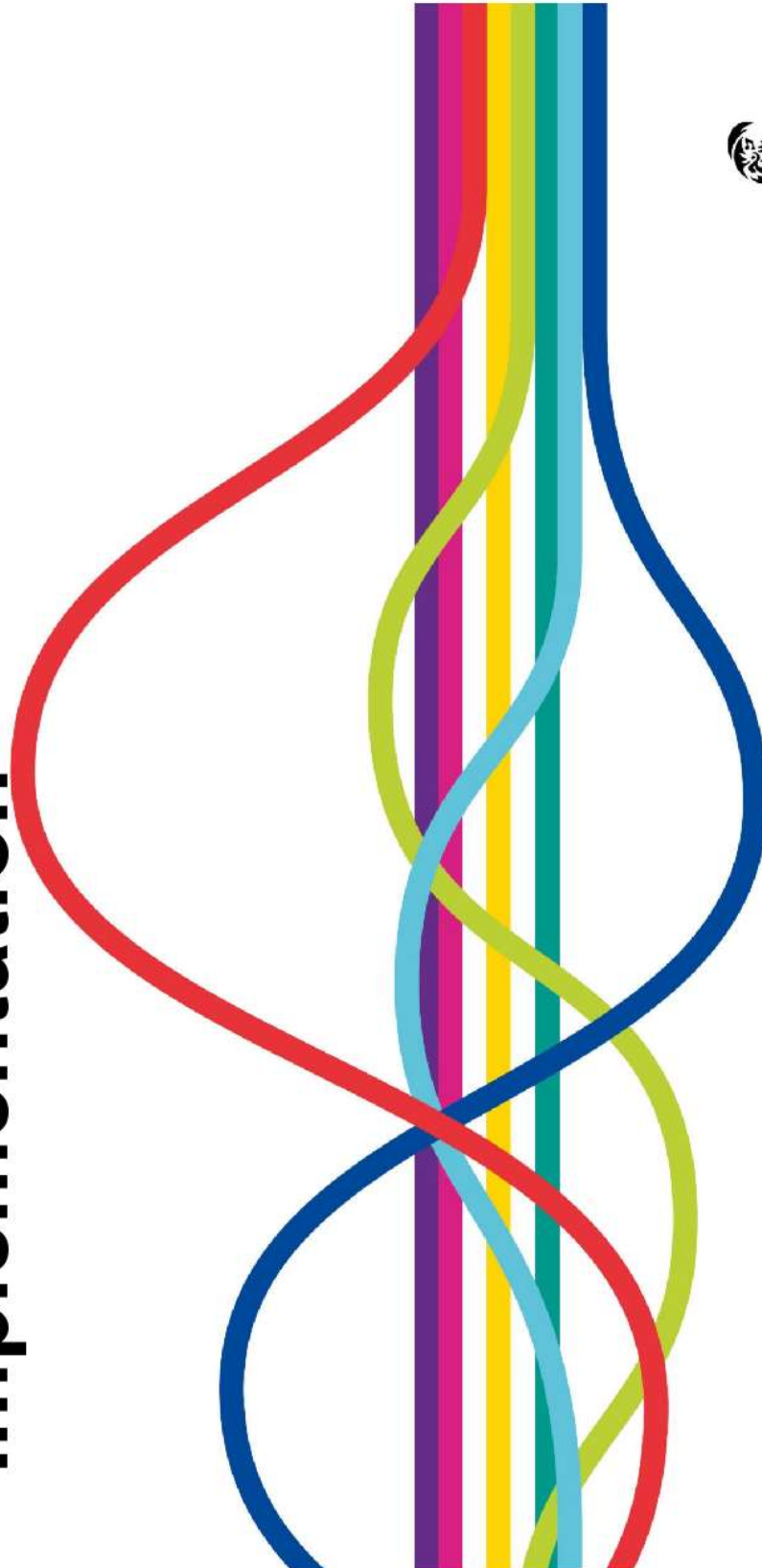
Planning priorities

- **Priority 22**
Jobs that match the skills and needs of the community
- **Priority 23**
Frenchs Forest as a sustainable health and education precinct
- **Priority 24**
Brookvale as an employment and innovation centre
- **Priority 25**
Dee Why as a thriving cosmopolitan centre by the sea
- **Priority 26**
Manly as Sydney's premier seaside destination
- **Priority 27**
Mona Vale as the contemporary, urban heart of the north
- **Priority 28**
Safeguarded employment lands
- **Priority 29**
A thriving, sustainable tourism economy
- **Priority 30**
A diverse night-time economy

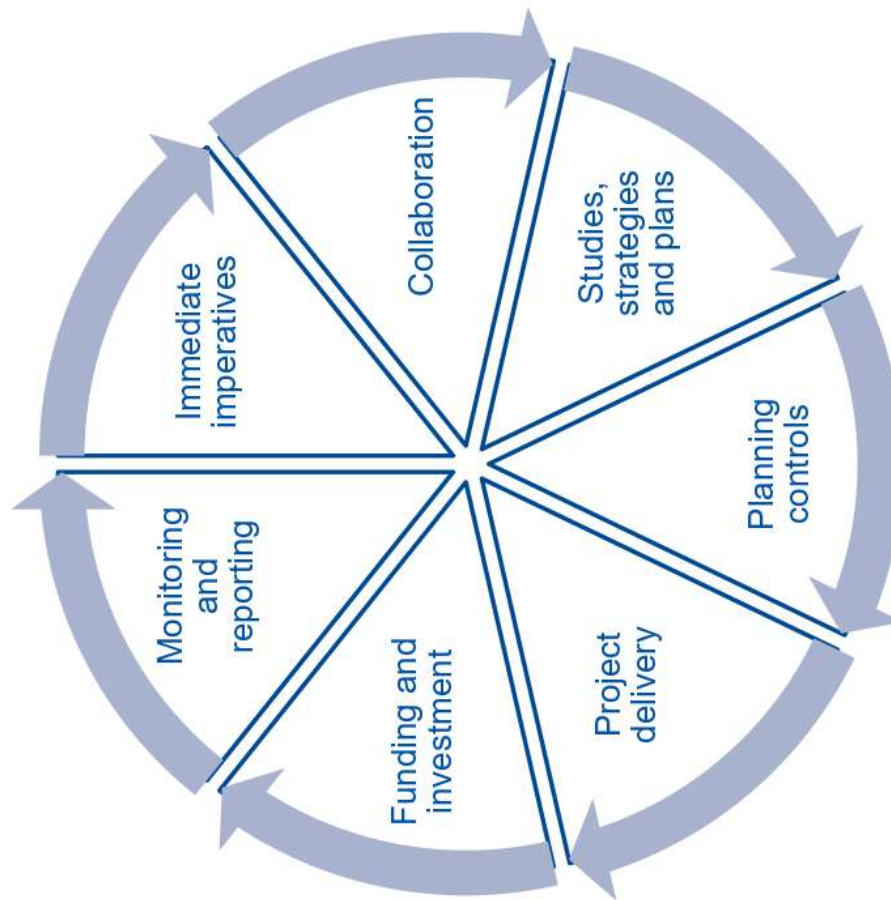


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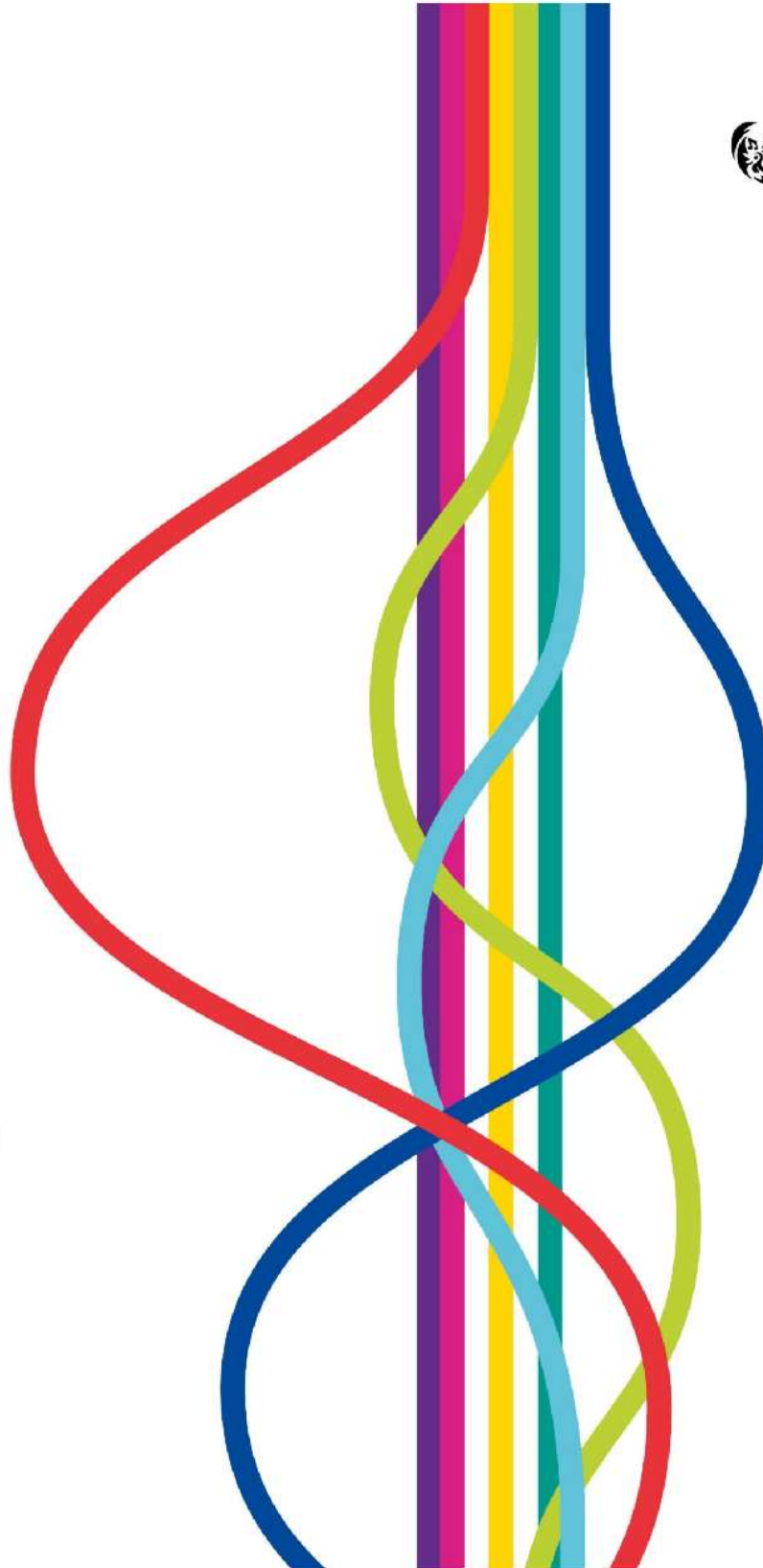


Implementing Towards 2040



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Next steps



Exhibition

27 September – 10 November

- Community group meetings
- Drop-in information sessions
- Strategic reference group information sessions
- Your Say – interactive PDF, videos and surveys

Drop-in sessions:

Mona Vale Library Lane

Wednesday 16 October 10am-2pm

Narrabeen Tramshed

Saturday 19 October 10am-2pm

Forestville shops

Tuesday 22 October 1pm-5pm

Dee Why Meriton plaza

Wednesday 23 October 10am-2pm

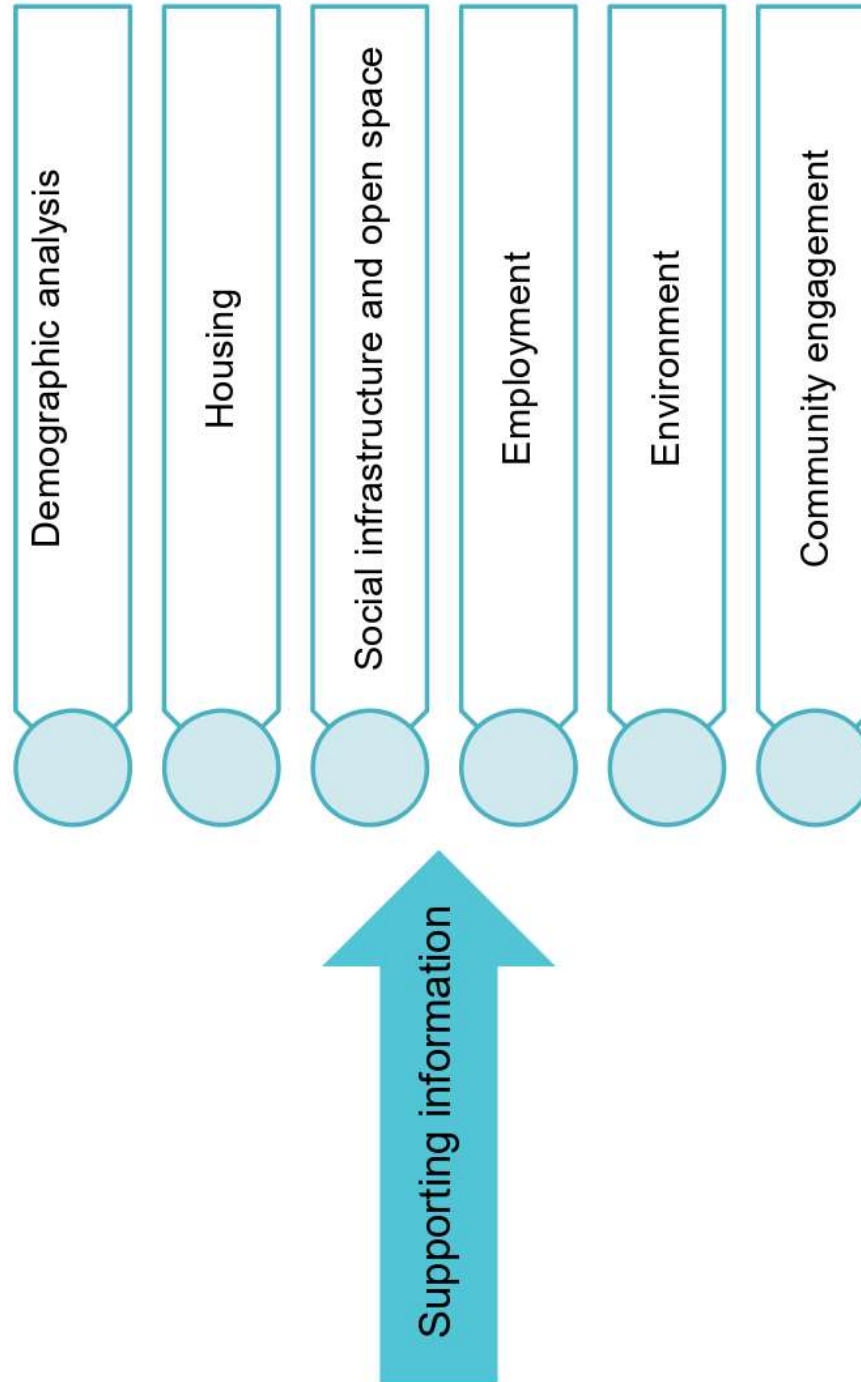
Manly Wharf forecourt

Thursday 24 October 3pm-7pm

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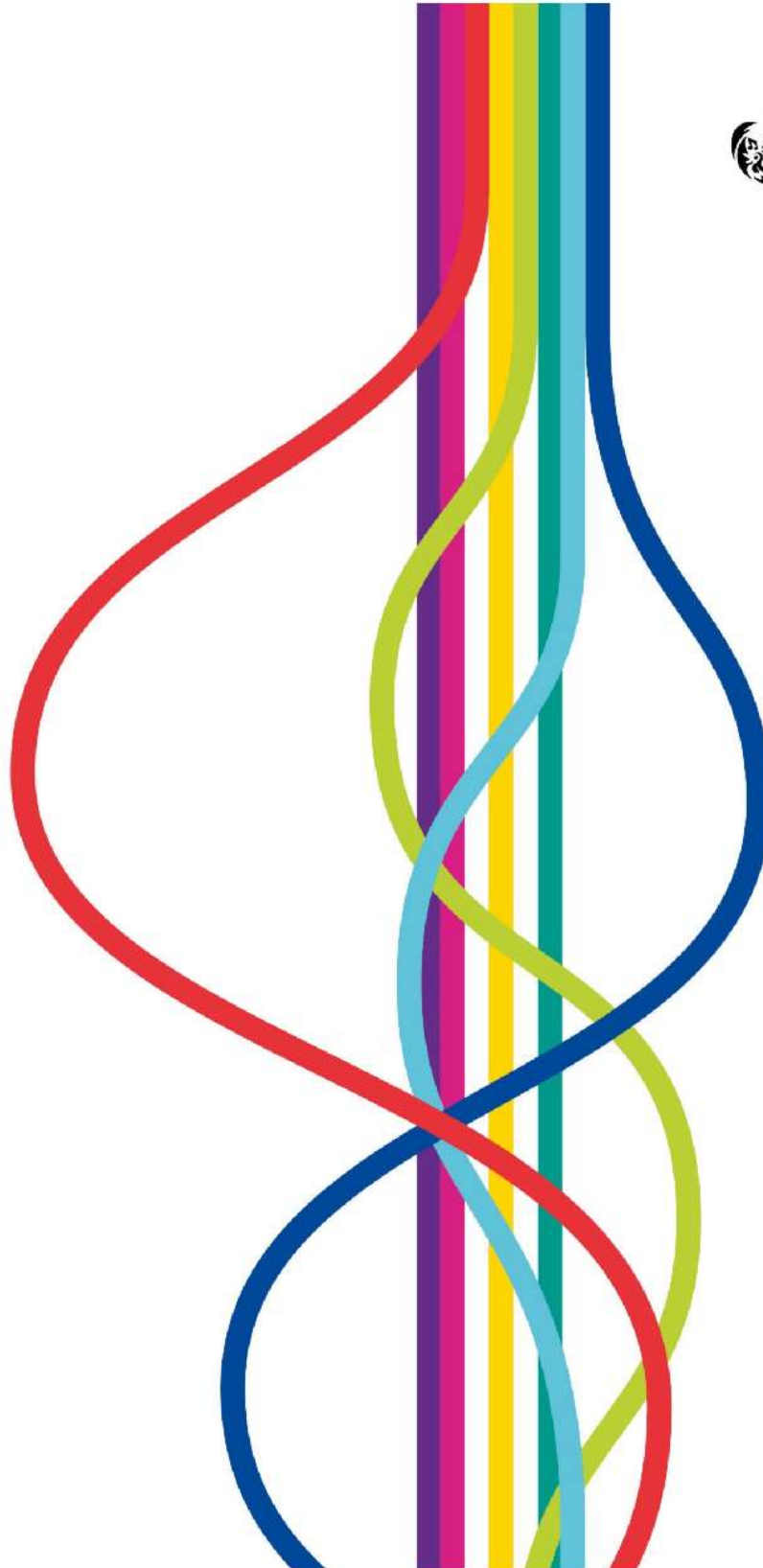


Exhibition package



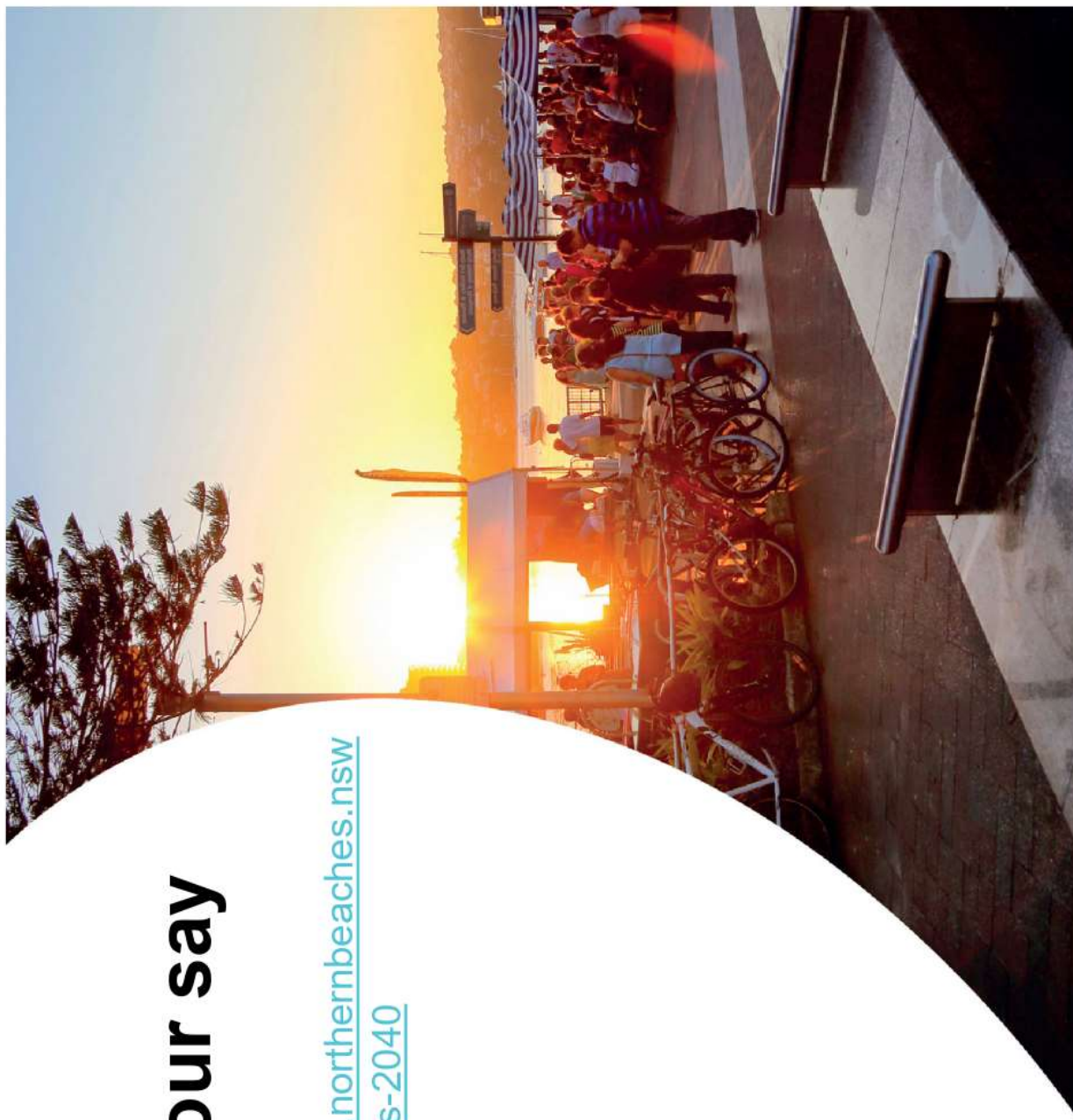
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Questions?



Have your say

<https://yoursay.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/towards-2040>



ITEM 6.6	COMMUNITY SAFETY PLAN - WILL WRATHALL - 30 MINS
REPORTING OFFICER	TEAM LEADER, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
TRIM FILE REF	2019/553051
ATTACHMENTS	1 Community Safety Plan - Presentation & Workshop

PURPOSE

To update the Community and Belonging Strategic Reference Group on the Community Safety Plan and seek their input through workshop activities.

REPORT

Council seeks to develop a five-year Community Safety Plan 2020 – 2025 to help realise the Northern Beaches vision of '*a safe, inclusive and connected community that lives in balance with our extraordinary coastal and bushland environment*' (Community Strategic Plan 2018-2028). The Plan aims to identify and prioritise key issues of concern, including crime types and issues that emerge through research, statistics, stakeholder interviews and community engagement. The Plan will then develop strategies and actions to address the identified issues.

The Community Safety Plan will provide the strategic direction for safety related issues across Council and provide focus for the Community Safety Committee. The Plan will build upon strategies and policies relating to community safety and crime prevention from the former Councils including the Community Safety Directions Paper produced by Council's Strategic Reference Group in July 2017.

The Community Safety Committee have indicated support for a strengths based approach to the Plan that builds on the acknowledgement of the strong sense of safety in the area, and how that can be sustained. The Plan will also integrate key criteria required to apply for potential crime prevention grant funding, to support relevant and appropriate strategies.

In addition to identifying key crime categories, the Plan will also address perceptions of safety and focus on emerging issues of concern, such as; suicide prevention, elder abuse and community resilience. It will identify partnerships with internal and external stakeholders, government and business, with a view to strengthening vulnerable communities and achieve accessible places and spaces, where crime is prevented and people feel safe.

The plan will identify what partnerships can best support community safety initiatives on the Northern Beaches and how actual and perceived safety can be enhanced through Council's Social Plan and other planning mechanisms.

RECOMMENDATION OF TEAM LEADER, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

That the Community and Belonging Strategic Reference Group receive and note the information and provide input on the Community Safety Plan.

Community Safety Plan

Community & Belonging SRG
30 October 2019



Strategic Framework

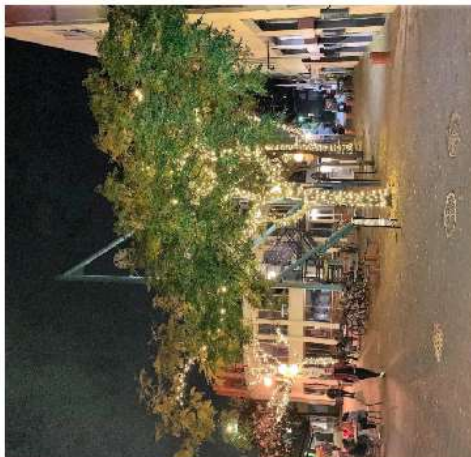
- Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 vision:
*‘ ... a safe, inclusive and connected community
that lives in balance with our extraordinary
coastal and bushland environment.’*
- Five year plan 2020-2025
- Identify relevant community safety issues
- Develop a range of strategies to direct Council,
community and other stakeholder efforts

Outcomes

1. Increased community awareness of Council's role in community safety.
2. Improved actual and perceived safety in public spaces.
3. Reduced local crime by collaborating on the social issues that contribute to these problems.
4. Support of initiatives that strengthen and sustain safety for our most vulnerable citizens.
5. A resilient and safe community to live, work and visit.

Working Group

- Project Executive Leanne Martin, Community Safety Coordinator
- Consultant Patrick Shepherdson
- Northern Beaches Police Local Area Command
- Council Business Units:
 - Youth & Community Development
 - Environmental Compliance
 - Place & Economic Development
 - Emergency Management
 - Parks & Recreation
 - Strategic Planning



Key Inclusions

- Crime Data Analysis
- Community Survey
- Extensive Consultation
 - Community Safety Committee
 - Police
 - Council staff (Seniors, Youth, Emergency management, Rangers)
 - Domestic violence interagency, drug and alcohol services, homelessness forum
 - Youth service providers, Youth Advisory Group

Possible Priority Action Areas

- Safe Futures
- Senior Safety
- Safe Spaces
- Safe Choices/Design



Group Activity (10 min)

Discuss the following questions:

- *What does safety mean to you?*
- *What makes you feel safe?*
- *Are there any people or places in the Northern Beaches that you think may be less safe than others?*
- *If so, what makes them less safe? What could we do to make them more safe?*

Emerging Safety Priorities

- Alcohol & other drugs
- Domestic & Family Violence
- Homelessness
- Elder Abuse
- Frauds & Scams
- Young people, public space & safety

Group Activity (20 min)

Identify actions or strategies to the following safety priorities:

- Alcohol & other drugs
- Domestic & Family Violence
- Homelessness
- Elder Abuse
- Frauds & Scams
- Young people, public space & safety

Your feedback

- Timeline is May 2020 for final adoption
- Project information is available on Your Say page for [Community Safety Plan](#)
- Questions?



ITEM 6.7	COMMUNITY AND BELONGING SRG DRAFT MEETING SCHEDULE 2020 - REPORT FOR NOTING
REPORTING OFFICER	COORDINATOR GOVERNANCE
TRIM FILE REF	2019/568004
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PURPOSE

For members to note the draft Community and Belonging Strategic Reference Group meeting schedule for 2020.

SUMMARY/REPORT

This report is for members to note the Community and Belonging Strategic Reference Group 2020 draft meeting schedule, whereby meetings are held quarterly and commence at 6:00pm.

Meeting Day	Meeting Date	Meeting Time
Wednesday	12 February	6:00 - 8:00pm
Wednesday	13 May	6:00 - 8:00pm
Wednesday	12 August	6:00 - 8:00pm
Wednesday	11 November	6:00 - 8:00pm

RECOMMENDATION OF COORDINATOR GOVERNANCE

That members note the Community and Belonging Strategic Reference Group draft meeting schedule for 2020.
