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Community Strategic Plan



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About this information

Northern Beaches Council wrote this information.



It is in Easy Read.

We use words and pictures together.



You can ask someone to help you read this information.

This might be a family member or support person.



Northern Beaches Council will work with the community to do all the things in this information.

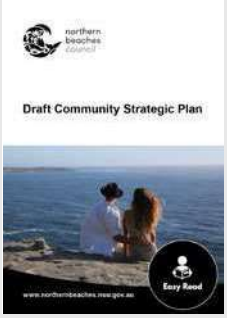


When you see the word we it means Northern Beaches Council with the community.

Our Draft Community Strategic Plan



We wrote a plan about what the community wants for the Northern Beaches area.



The plan is called the Draft Community Strategic Plan.

We will say **plan** for short.



The plan is for 15 years.



The plan says

- How we live right now
- What the community wants and needs
- What we will do.







To write the plan we talked to lots of people who

- Live on the Northern Beaches
- Have a business on the Northern Beaches
- Are part of community groups on the Northern Beaches.



They also helped us come up with a community vision for the plan.



A **community vision** says what people want the Northern Beaches to be like.









Our community vision says that the Northern Beaches should be a place where

- People feel safe
- Lots of different people live
- Everyone is included
- People look out for each other.



We also want to be a community that looks after the water and the bushland around us.

What the plan will do



We wrote this plan to make sure that everyone has the same rights.



We also want everyone to be part of making plans for our area.



Everyone should have the same say in what happens around here.



We want to make sure people in the future can enjoy the same things as we do now.



We want to look after the environment.

The **environment** is the world around us like nature.

7 outcomes



The plan has 7 outcomes.

Outcomes are the things we want to do.



We will tell you what we will do about each outcome.



1. Looking after the environment

We will look after our environment.



We will do our best to keep it safe from any kind of danger.



A danger could be that companies hurt the environment when they build things.

They might

• Dig up the land

• Cut down woods

• Put their waste into rivers.



Another danger is climate change.

Climate change means that the weather around the world changes.



There will be more dangerous weather like floods or storms.

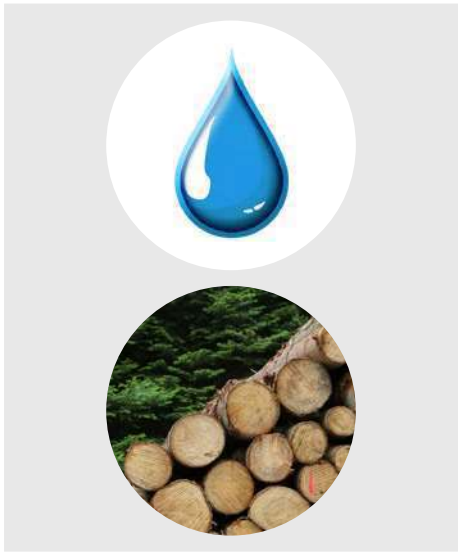


We will do our best to look after our environment.



2. Use our resources well

We want to make sure we use our resources carefully.



Resources are things we need to live or to do something.

This could be things like

- Water
- Wood
- Sand or stone.



We do not want to waste our resources.



If we build new houses or roads we will make sure it is ok for

- The environment
- People in the future.



3. Community and belonging

We want people to care for each other so that everyone



- Feels safe



- Gets support from others



- Can be part of the community.



We want everyone to be able to have a good life with many people in it.



4. Houses and places

We will make sure there are enough houses and places for people to

- Live in



- Work in



- Enjoy themselves in their free time.



We will build houses and places in a way that is good for people and the environment.



We will build houses and places that last a long time.



5. A great community

We will support old and new businesses on the Northern Beaches.

We will make sure people around here can choose from good



- Jobs



- Schools



- Training to learn new skills.



6. Good transport

We want to make sure people can connect with each other no matter where they live.



This might be to connect with people who live

- Around the Northern Beaches
- In areas far away from the big cities.



We want to make transport better to help people connect with each other.



7. A council you trust

We want to be a Council that you can trust and respect.



We want to be a Council that looks after the things the community needs.



We want to do a better job by working more with other people and organsiations.



We also want to work together more with the community.

How do we know the plan works



We will write reports about how we are going with our outcomes.



We will work with other organisations for things we cannot do ourselves.



We will ask the community often about how they think we are going with the plan.



We will look at this plan every 4 years to see how we are going.

Contact us

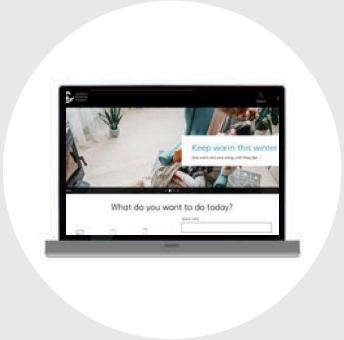


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