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# AGENDA

## **COMMUNITY SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Community Safety Advisory Committee will be held in Manly Town Hall on

**Thursday 13 August 2026**

Beginning at 9:00am for the purpose of considering matters included in this agenda.

## Quorum

A majority of members plus the Mayor or another Councillor.

## Committee Members

|                           |                                                      |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Cr Sue Heins              | Frenchs Forest Ward – Mayor - Chair                  |
| Cr Candy Bingham          | Manly Ward – Deputy Mayor                            |
| Cr Ruth Robins            | Narrabeen Ward (alternate)                           |
| Cr Vincent De Luca OAM    | Narrabeen Ward (alternate)                           |
| Cr Rowie Dillon           | Pittwater Ward                                       |
| Cr Nick Beaugeard         | Curl Curl Ward                                       |
| Supt John Duncan          | Northern Beaches Police Area Command                 |
| Aileen Ogilvie            | Northern Beaches Community Drug Action Team          |
| Narelle Hand              | Northern Beaches Domestic Violence Network           |
| Doug Brooker              | Northern Beaches Liquor Accord                       |
| Sarah Sweeney             | Northern Beaches Mental Health Interagency           |
| Sam King                  | Northern Beaches Youth Interagency                   |
| Michele Bell              | Northern Sydney Community Network (Seniors sector)   |
| Maria Berry/Kerry Gleeson | Northern Sydney Housing and Homelessness Interagency |
| Melissa Palermo           | Northern Sydney Local Health District                |
| Sherryn Moltzen           | Sydney North Health Network   Northern Sydney PHN    |
| Vacant                    | Community Representative – Curl Curl Ward            |
| Vacant                    | Community Representative – Frenchs Forest Ward       |
| Vacant                    | Community Representative – Manly Ward                |
| Vacant                    | Community Representative – Narrabeen Ward            |
| Vacant                    | Community Representative – Pittwater Ward            |
| Dr Sophie Scamps          | Federal Member for Mackellar                         |
| Zali Steggall OAM MP      | Federal Member for Warringah                         |
| Matt Cross MP             | State Member for Davidson                            |
| James Griffin MP          | State Member for Manly                               |
| Jacqui Scruby MP          | State Member for Pittwater                           |
| Michael Regan MP          | State Member for Wakehurst                           |

## Council Officer Contacts

|                  |                                                |
|------------------|------------------------------------------------|
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| David Kerr       | Director Community and Recreation              |
| James Farrington | Director Planning and Place                    |
| Kylie Walshe     | Executive Manager Community, Arts and Culture  |
| Azmeena Kelly    | Executive Manager Environmental Compliance     |
| Jeremy Smith     | Executive Manager Parks and Open Space         |
| Mal McDonald     | Executive Manager Strategic and Place Planning |
| Will Wrathall    | Manager Community Development                  |
| Kath Young       | Community Safety Coordinator                   |
| Helen Askew      | Program Support Officer Community Development  |

## Visitors

|               |                                                                                   |
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| Russell Peake | Manager Social Planning and Services                                              |
| Clare Meikle  | Business Operations and Engagement Leader, Waste Education and Strategic Programs |

**Agenda for a meeting of the Community Safety Advisory Committee  
to be held on Thursday 13 August 2026 in the Manly Town Hall  
Commencing at 9:00 am**

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## 1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Council acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we gather today and shows its respect to Elders past and present and other Aboriginal people here today.

## 2 APOLOGIES

All members are expected to attend the Community Safety Advisory Committee meetings or tender their apologies to the Chair or Committee liaison person. If members are unable to attend they may delegate their position to another member of their organisation, with the approval of the Chair.

## 3 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.*

A **non-pecuniary conflict of interest** is defined in Section 5 of the Code as:

*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 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

### 4.1 MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 14 MAY 2026

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Community Safety Advisory Committee Meeting held on 14 May 2026, copies of which were previously circulated to all members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

## 5 ACTIONS UPDATE

### ITEM 5.1 ACTIONS UPDATE

#### ISSUE

To update the Committee on actions arising from previous meetings.

#### MEETING OF 14 MAY 2026

| ITEM NO. | ACTION                                                                                                                                                                        | RESPONSIBLE OFFICER                        | PROGRESS                            |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 2.0      | For Mayoral signature, draft correspondence to the Northern Beaches Domestic Violence Network seeking a new Network representative as per the Committee's Terms of Reference. | Council staff                              | Complete                            |
| 6.2.1    | Contact Google and Apple and request removal of inaccurate references to Brookvale Park as an off-leash dog park.                                                             | Executive Manager Parks & Open Space       | For update at meeting               |
| 6.3.1    | Provide briefing for Councillors on the Good Neighbour Guidelines.                                                                                                            | Executive Manager Environmental Compliance | Prior to publishing                 |
| 6.5.1    | Share the draft actions and presentation on the draft Community Safety Action Plan with Committee members for review and feedback.                                            | Community Safety Coordinator               | Complete                            |
| 6.5.2    | Council staff investigate opportunities to make relevant training relating to inclusion available for Council volunteers and Councillors.                                     | Community Safety Coordinator               | For update at November 2026 meeting |

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee receive and note the information.

**Reporting officer:** Community Safety Coordinator

**Attachments:** Nil

## 6 AGENDA ITEMS

### ITEM 6.1 POLICE REPORT - SUPERINTENDENT JOHN DUNCAN - 30 MINS

#### ISSUE

This is a standing item on the agenda. The Commander, Northern Beaches Police Area Command will brief the Committee on relevant crime and safety issues.

#### BACKGROUND

The Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) publish recorded crime statistics for NSW each quarter and the [NSW Recorded Crime Statistics quarterly update to March 2026](#) has now been released. A summary document noting trends in selected major offence categories for the Northern Beaches Local Government Area and NSW is attached for the information of Committee members.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee receive and note the information.

**Reporting officer:** Community Safety Coordinator

**Attachments:** 1. Recorded Crime Statistics April 2021 March 2026 [6.1.1 - 1 page]

## Northern Beaches LGA Recorded Crime Statistics April 2021 – March 2026

Incidents of crime recorded by the NSW Police Force in Northern Beaches LGA: number, rates<sup>^</sup> and trends<sup>^^</sup>

| Major offence category <sup>BOCSAR</sup>              | Incidents of crime recorded by NSW Police Force in Northern Beaches LGA |                     |                     |                     |                     | Rate per 100,000 population Apr 2025 - Mar 2026 <sup>^</sup> |       | 2 year trend and annual % change <sup>^^</sup> (Apr 2024 - Mar 2026) |            | 10 year trend and average annual % change <sup>^^</sup> (Apr 2016 - Mar 2026) |            |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
|                                                       | Apr 2021 - Mar 2022                                                     | Apr 2022 - Mar 2023 | Apr 2023 - Mar 2024 | Apr 2024 - Mar 2025 | Apr 2025 - Mar 2026 | Northern Beaches LGA                                         | NSW   | Northern Beaches LGA                                                 | NSW        | Northern Beaches LGA                                                          | NSW        |
| Murder                                                | 1                                                                       | 0                   | 1                   | 0                   | 1                   | 0.4                                                          | 1.0   | nc                                                                   | Stable     | nc                                                                            | Stable     |
| Domestic violence related assault                     | 289                                                                     | 260                 | 315                 | 345                 | 451                 | 166.6                                                        | 451.9 | Up 30.7%                                                             | Stable     | Stable                                                                        | Up 3.1%    |
| Non-domestic violence related assault                 | 467                                                                     | 474                 | 547                 | 571                 | 543                 | 200.5                                                        | 401.8 | Stable                                                               | Stable     | Down 1.5%                                                                     | Stable     |
| Sexual assault                                        | 152                                                                     | 170                 | 167                 | 185                 | 206                 | 76.1                                                         | 154.4 | Stable                                                               | Stable     | Up 9.6%                                                                       | Up 10.2%   |
| Sexual touching, sexual act and other sexual offences | 156                                                                     | 151                 | 145                 | 168                 | 147                 | 54.3                                                         | 104.1 | Stable                                                               | Stable     | Up 3.7%                                                                       | Up 2.3%    |
| Robbery without a weapon                              | 19                                                                      | 18                  | 26                  | 16                  | 14                  | 5.2                                                          | 11.3  | nc                                                                   | Down 8.2%  | nc                                                                            | Down 4.2%  |
| Robbery with a firearm                                | 0                                                                       | 2                   | 1                   | 0                   | 1                   | 0.4                                                          | 1.1   | nc                                                                   | Stable     | nc                                                                            | Down 6.2%  |
| Robbery with a weapon not a firearm                   | 9                                                                       | 6                   | 7                   | 7                   | 9                   | 3.3                                                          | 8.3   | nc                                                                   | Down 9.1%  | nc                                                                            | Down 1.6%  |
| Break and enter dwelling                              | 217                                                                     | 215                 | 212                 | 216                 | 170                 | 62.8                                                         | 212.3 | Down 21.3%                                                           | Stable     | Down 10.4%                                                                    | Down 5.3%  |
| Break and enter non-dwelling                          | 89                                                                      | 83                  | 131                 | 121                 | 108                 | 39.9                                                         | 91.8  | Stable                                                               | Stable     | Down 7.9%                                                                     | Down 4.2%  |
| Motor vehicle theft                                   | 163                                                                     | 168                 | 189                 | 173                 | 191                 | 70.5                                                         | 171.2 | Stable                                                               | Stable     | Stable                                                                        | Up 1.1%    |
| Steal from motor vehicle                              | 552                                                                     | 385                 | 414                 | 436                 | 366                 | 135.2                                                        | 295.5 | Stable                                                               | Stable     | Down 8.6%                                                                     | Down 5.2%  |
| Steal from retail store                               | 455                                                                     | 573                 | 735                 | 637                 | 468                 | 172.8                                                        | 372.5 | Down 26.5%                                                           | Up 9.1%    | Stable                                                                        | Up 3.2%    |
| Steal from dwelling                                   | 269                                                                     | 271                 | 310                 | 284                 | 229                 | 84.6                                                         | 196.2 | Stable                                                               | Up 5.2%    | Down 7.2%                                                                     | Down 2.7%  |
| Steal from person                                     | 30                                                                      | 30                  | 24                  | 21                  | 25                  | 9.2                                                          | 21.4  | Stable                                                               | Stable     | Down 13.3%                                                                    | Down 10.0% |
| Fraud                                                 | 1041                                                                    | 1128                | 1034                | 1050                | 892                 | 329.4                                                        | 442.0 | Stable                                                               | Down 11.0% | Down 3.4%                                                                     | Down 3.2%  |
| Malicious damage to property                          | 808                                                                     | 803                 | 876                 | 755                 | 676                 | 249.7                                                        | 554.7 | Stable                                                               | Stable     | Down 6.0%                                                                     | Down 3.1%  |

Source: Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR)

<sup>^^</sup> Shows the results of a statistical test for a significant upward or downward trend in the monthly number of criminal incidents recorded. Where the trend is significant (i.e p<0.05) the average annual percentage change over the ten and two year period is shown. Significant upward trends are highlighted in red; significant downward trends are highlighted in green. 'Stable' indicates there was no significant upward or downward trend and 'nc' indicates that the number of incidents recorded was too small for a reliable trend test to be performed.

## **ITEM 6.2 ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE REPORT - 15 MINUTES**

### **ISSUE**

This is a standing item on the Committee agenda. The Executive Manager, Environmental Compliance will brief the Committee on relevant compliance and regulatory issues.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Committee receive and note the information.

**Reporting officer:** Executive Manager Environmental Compliance

**Attachments:** Nil

## ITEM 6.3 COMMUNITY VIEWS SURVEY RESULTS 2026 - 30 MINUTES

### ISSUE

Community Views 2026 liveability and wellbeing survey response data.

### BACKGROUND

Developed in 2022, the Community Wellbeing Framework (the Framework) (Attachment 1) is the Northern Beaches framework for monitoring and evaluating collective impact towards wellbeing.

The Framework contains 4 domains, 16 outcomes and 31 indicators that provide a holistic overview of wellbeing for the Northern Beaches, allowing Council to measure and monitor change over time at the community level.

The Framework supports the work of existing strategies and plans, including the Community Safety Action Plan, by providing clarity and direction on what wellbeing means for our community, and how we measure our progress towards improving it.

There are a range of subjective indicators in the framework which focus on individual perceptions of wellbeing and how people rate their quality of life. This is tracked using a Community Views survey that is undertaken every 2 years, with data now captured in 2022, 2024, and 2026.

A presentation will be provided at the meeting to present the findings of the 2026 Community Views Survey, showing how the experience of the community has evolved over the 4 years since the Framework was developed.

### RECOMMENDATION

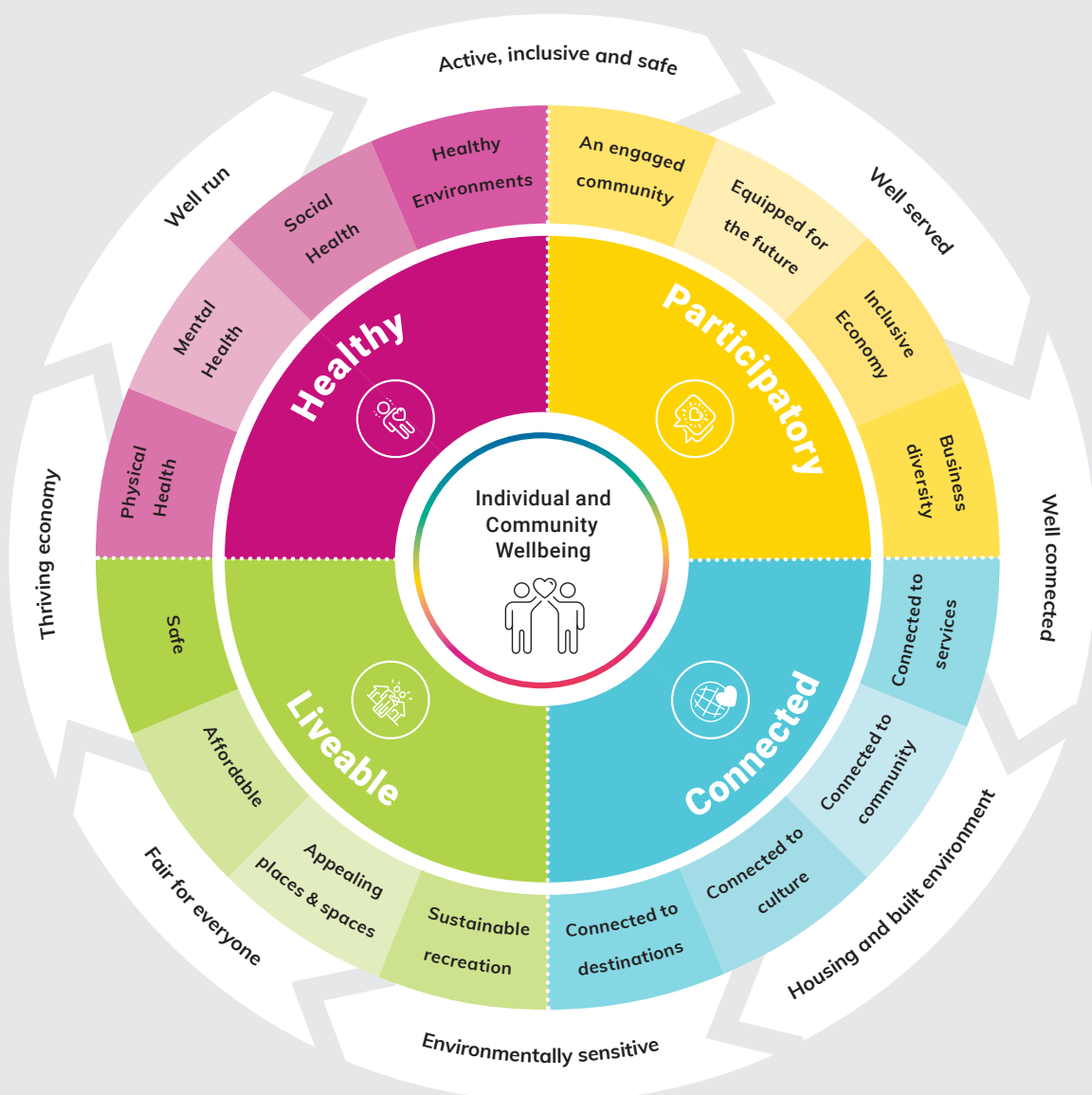
That the Committee receive and note the information in the report and presentation.

**Reporting officer:** Manager, Social Planning & Services

**Attachments:** 1. Community Wellbeing Framework [6.3.1 - 26 pages]

# Northern Beaches

## Community Wellbeing Framework



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### **Acknowledgement of Country**

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians and their Country on which we gather today. By these words we show our respect to all Aboriginal people. We acknowledge Elders past, present and emerging and the spirits and ancestors of the Clans that lived in this area.



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## The Framework

### Introduction - why measure community wellbeing?

Our community has told us that being healthy in mind and body, feeling connected with where you live and being able to participate are critical to a good quality of life.

That's why we have introduced our Community Wellbeing Framework - a way to measure how our community is tracking on the things that matter most.

**The Community Wellbeing Framework ('the Framework') is the Northern Beaches framework for monitoring and evaluating collective impact towards wellbeing. The selected outcomes and indicators provide a holistic overview of wellbeing for the Northern Beaches that will measure change over time.**

The Framework underpins Council's commitment to focusing resources and strategic decision making on wellbeing in recognition that:



The core indicators identified will allow us to measure and track change over time at the community level.

The Framework supports the work of existing strategies and plans by providing clarity and direction on what wellbeing means for our community, and how we measure our progress towards improving it.



Image: Mackenzie Wolfe

## 5 How we developed the Community Wellbeing Framework

A clear vision was defined in Shape 2028 emphasising how important wellbeing is to our local community:

**“Northern Beaches - a safe, inclusive, and connected community that lives in balance with our extraordinary coastal and bushland environment.”**

In 2016/17 when Council developed the Shape 2028 Community Strategic Plan (CSP), we talked to more than 2,000 people exploring how to live well and create a sense of balance in an increasingly pressured world. This led to the creation of the CSP vision.

In 2020/21 we checked back in with the community regarding the key themes of being safe, inclusive, and connected as we developed the Better Together Social Sustainability Strategy. Over 1,000 community members then helped build a complete picture of what being safe, connected, and inclusive means to them and why these values are still essential components of achieving wellbeing, both for individuals and their communities.

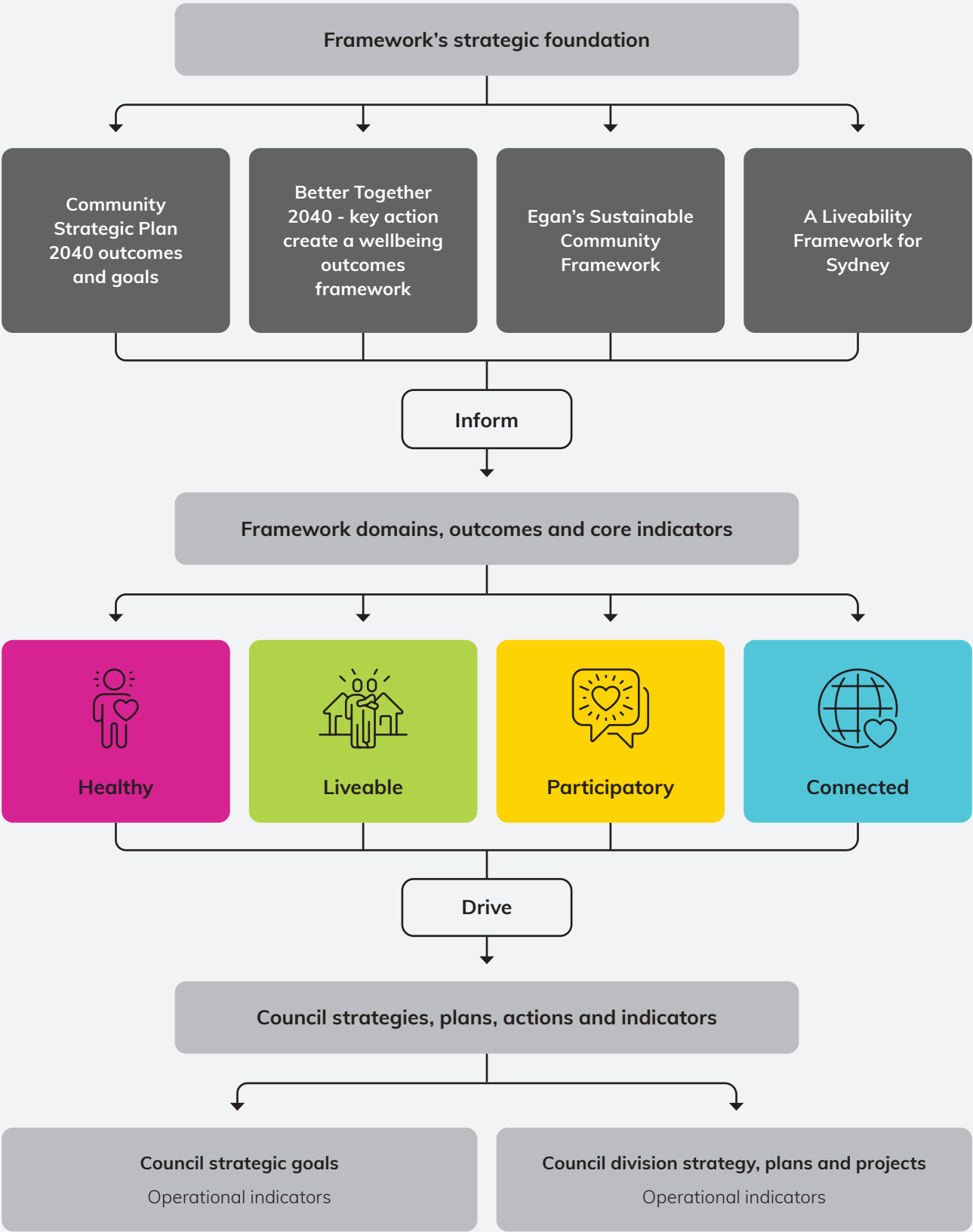
In 2021/22, Council engaged with the community to review Shape 2028 and develop a new Community Strategic Plan 2040. This consultation confirmed the key themes of safe, inclusive and connected, adding an additional them of diversity.

We've taken what we heard from the community and further developed this into the Community Wellbeing Framework, by making sure we incorporate best practice approaches to wellbeing and applying it to a local context.

The Framework is built upon, and designed to bring together the insights, strategic direction and policy goals set by:

1. Northern Beaches Community Strategic Plan 2040
2. Better Together 2040 key action “create a Wellbeing Outcomes Framework for the Northern Beaches”
3. A Liveability Framework for Sydney
4. Egan’s Sustainable Community Framework
5. The existing commitments and directions in other relevant strategies and plans that support the delivery of wellbeing initiatives and outcomes to the Northern Beaches.

The relationship between the strategic foundation, the framework and other Council strategy and plans is shown in the graphic below.



## Domains

The Framework is organised around four domains that represent the different aspects of wellbeing for the community. Each domain has a statement of intent which defines what we want to achieve through delivery of the identified outcomes.



### Healthy

We have high levels of individual mental, physical, and social health and prioritise creating a natural environment that supports good health.



### Liveable

We live in a safe, appealing, affordable and sustainable place.



### Participatory

We have an inclusive, resilient, and stable local economy that allows everyone to participate in education, employment and decision making.



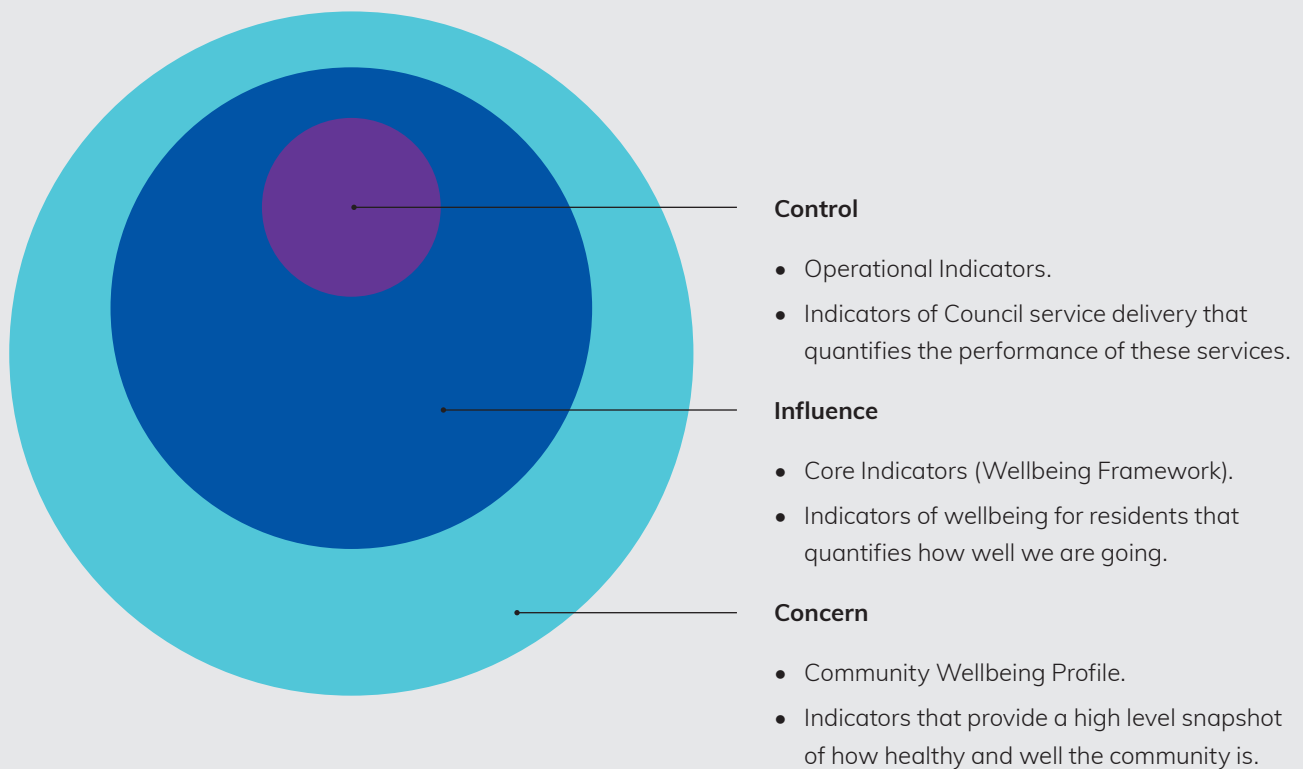
### Connected

We have strong relationships and are connected to culture, community and place.

## Indicators

Indicators allow us to create a robust picture of wellbeing, both collectively and individually. There is a role for both subjective and objective measures of wellbeing.

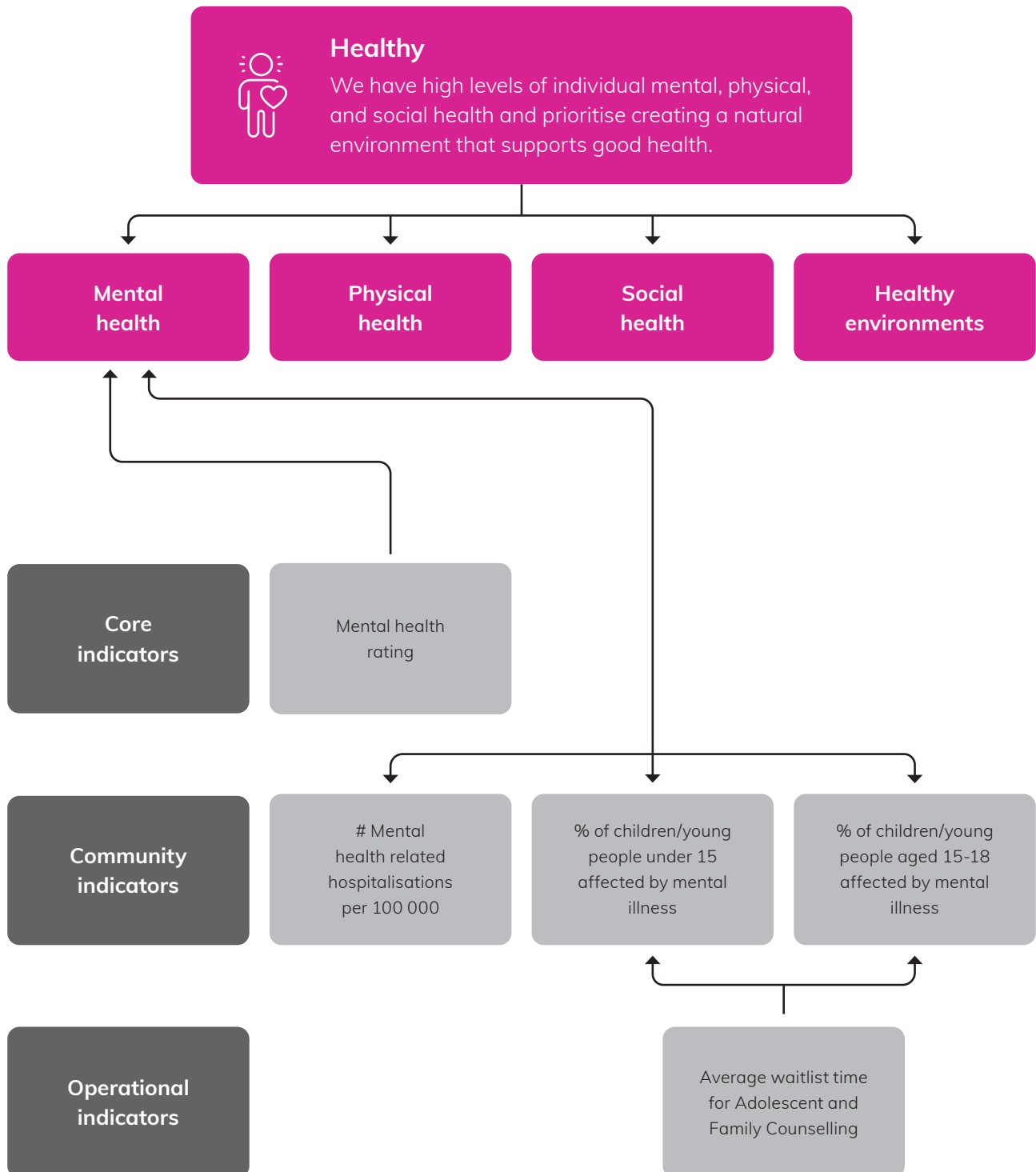
- **Subjective** measures focus on individual perceptions of wellbeing and how people rate their quality of life.
- **Objective** measures provide insights into our collective experience that are impartial and quantifiable.



## Seeing the big picture

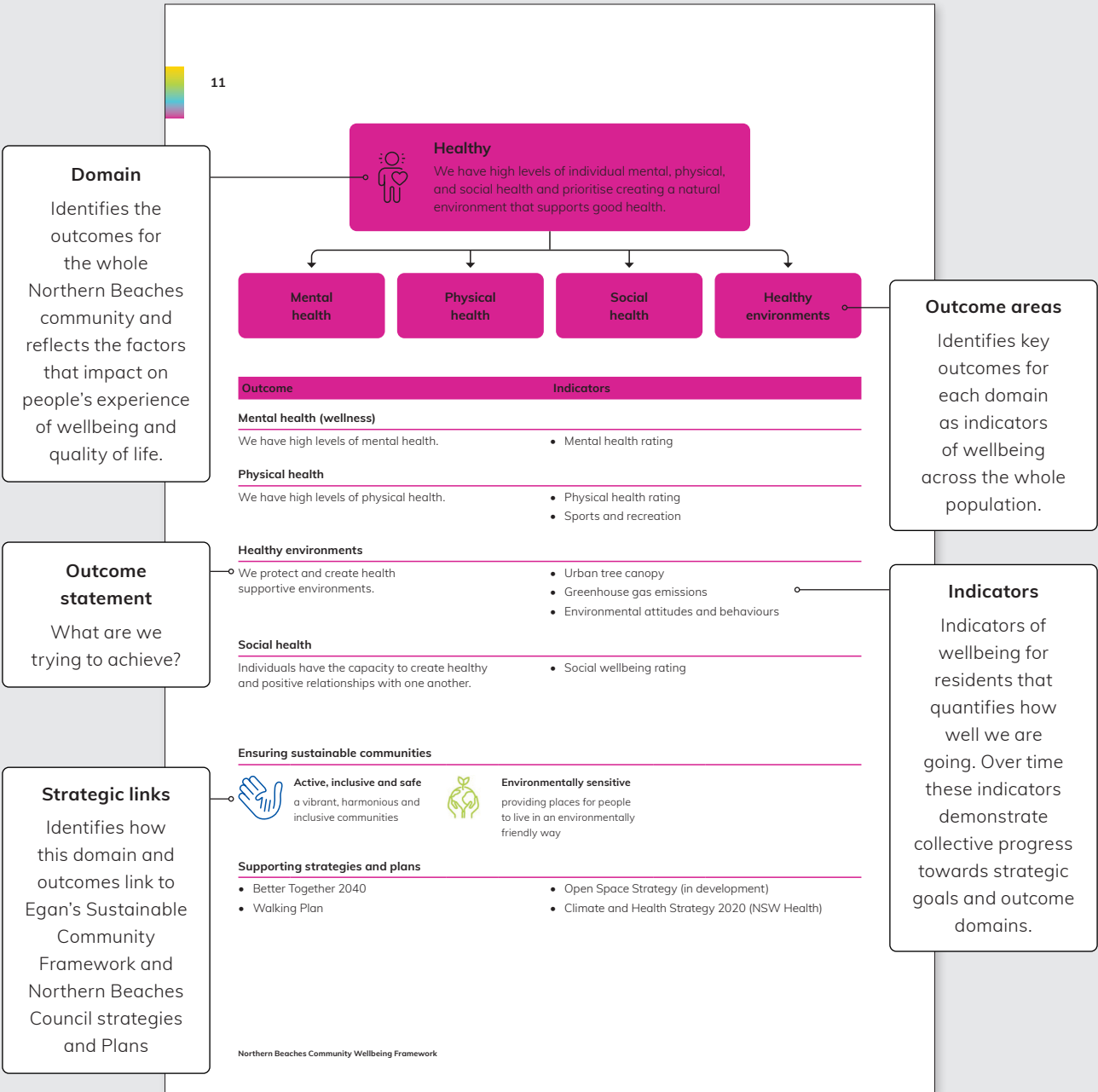
### Community wellbeing

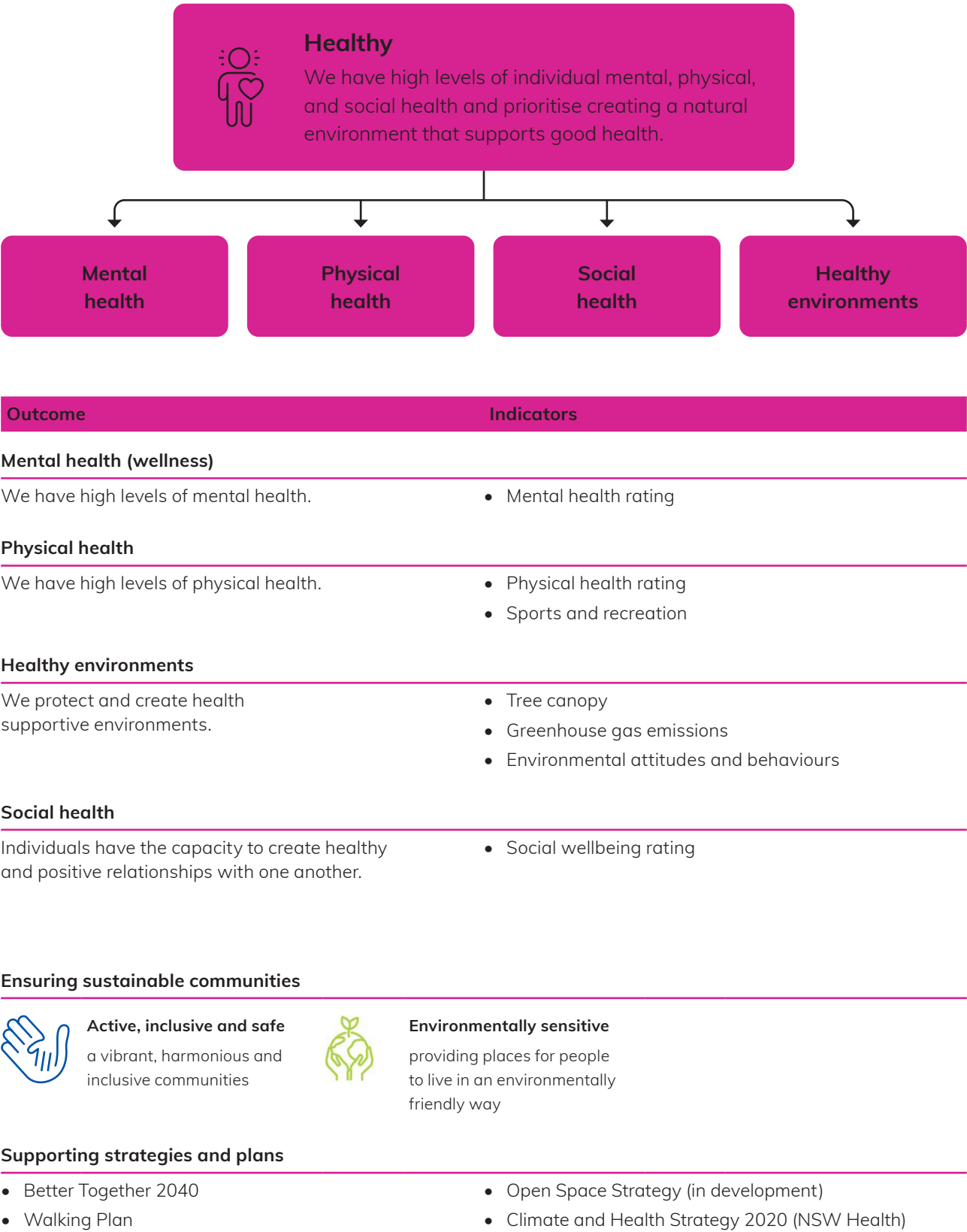
The three levels of indicators work together to develop a complete picture of community wellbeing and collective impact.

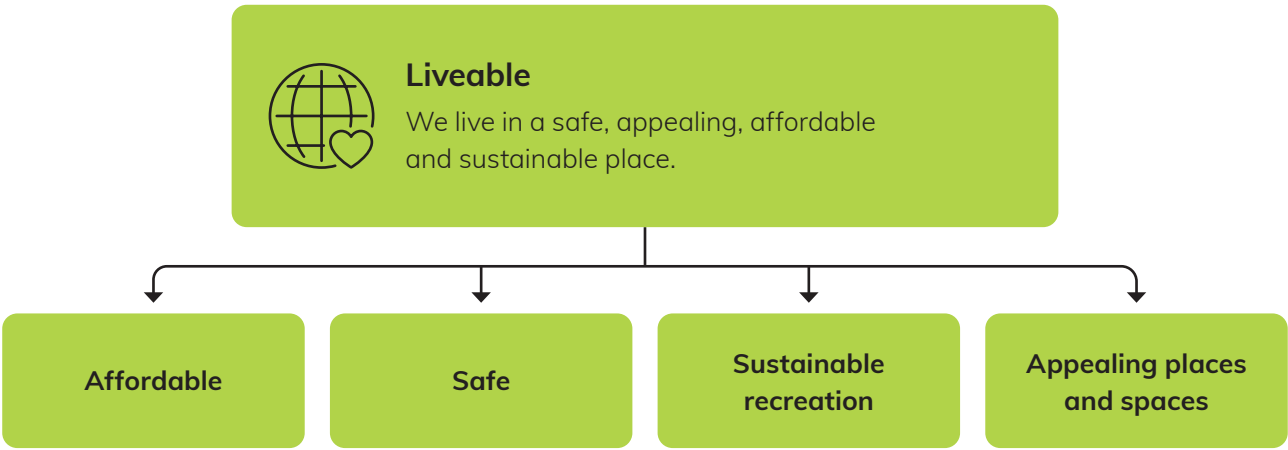


# Reading the framework

Let's look at an example of how to read the framework







| Outcome                                                                     | Indicators                                                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Affordable</b>                                                           |                                                                                                                                                         |
| We have a community that people can afford to live and work in.             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Affordable decent housing</li><li>Rental affordability index</li></ul>                                            |
| <b>Safe</b>                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                         |
| We maintain a community who feel safe and are free from abuse and violence. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Feeling safe</li><li>Rate of major crime categories per 100,000 people</li></ul>                                  |
| <b>Sustainable recreation</b>                                               |                                                                                                                                                         |
| We maintain our ecosystems for a sustainable future.                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Access to the natural environment</li><li>Beaches water quality</li><li>Public outdoor recreation space</li></ul> |
| <b>Appealing places and spaces</b>                                          |                                                                                                                                                         |
| We have increasingly appealing, well-planned spaces.                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Liveability Index</li><li>Wellbeing Index</li></ul>                                                               |

Ensuring sustainable communities

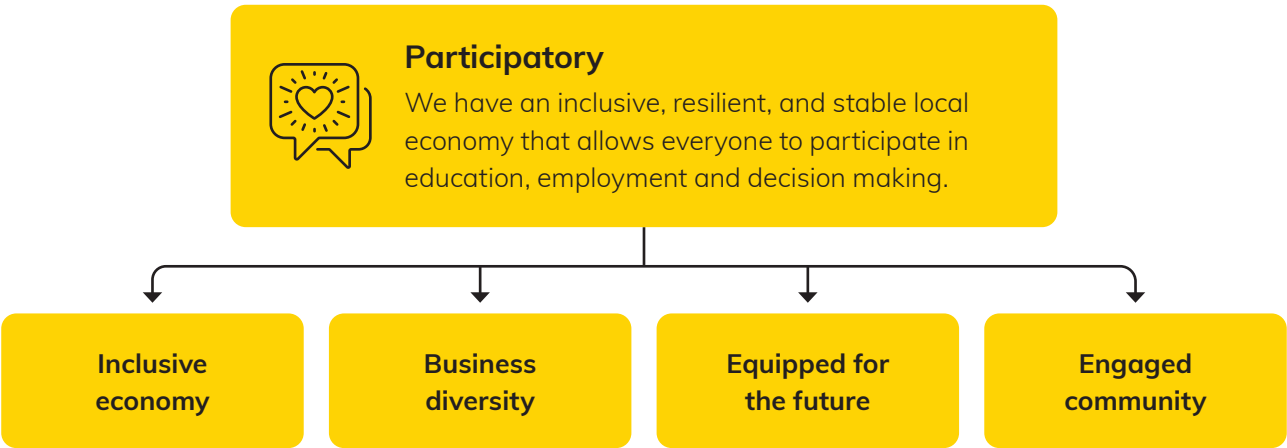
 **Well designed and built**  
a vibrant, harmonious and inclusive communities

 **Environmentally sensitive**  
providing places for people to live in an environmentally friendly way

 **Active, inclusive and safe**  
a vibrant, harmonious and inclusive communities

Supporting strategies and plans

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Towards 2040</li><li>Protect. Create. Live.</li><li>Housing Strategy</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Better Together 2040</li><li>Community Safety Plan</li><li>Open Space Strategy</li></ul> |
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| Outcome                                                                               | Indicators                                                                                                                                                                 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Inclusive economy</b>                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                            |
| We have an inclusive economy with financial opportunities for all.                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Financial Wellbeing Rating</li><li>Good job prospects</li></ul>                                                                      |
| <b>Business diversity</b>                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                            |
| We have a diverse and adaptive local business community.                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Diverse range of shopping, leisure, and dining experiences</li><li>A prosperous economy</li><li>Trends in local spend data</li></ul> |
| <b>Equipped for the future</b>                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                            |
| We are equipped for the future through education and a culture of life-long learning. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>High quality education opportunities</li></ul>                                                                                       |
| <b>Engaged community</b>                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                            |
| We engage with democratic processes and community engagement opportunities.           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Opportunity for all</li></ul>                                                                                                        |

Ensuring sustainable communities



**Well run**  
effective and inclusive participation, representation and leadership



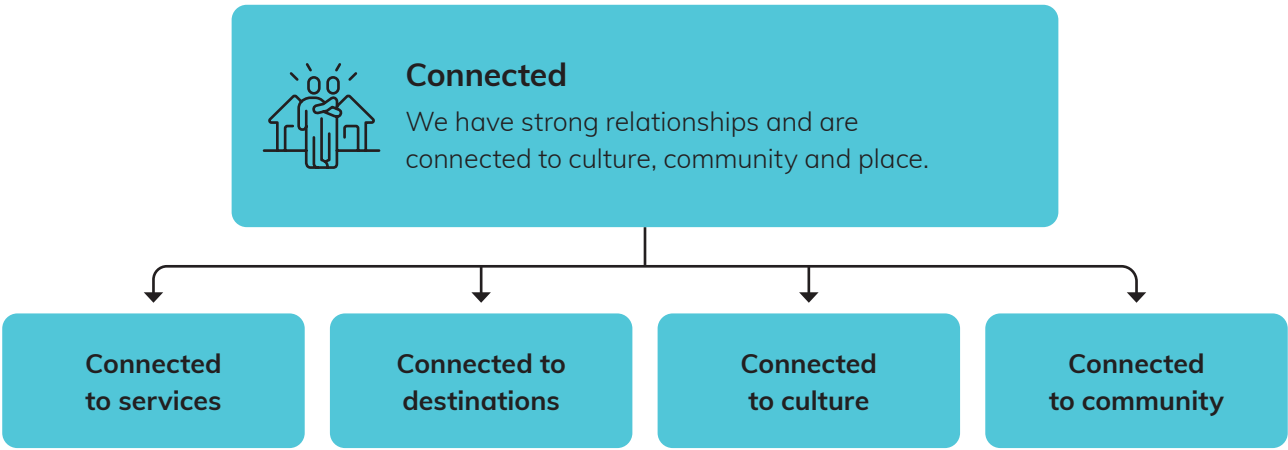
**Fair for everyone**  
people of all ages, genders, abilities, races, sexes and cultures are given access to services, jobs and education in the community



**Thriving local economy**  
a flourishing and diverse local economy

Supporting strategies and plans

- Towards 2040
  - Better Together 2040
- Economic Development Strategy (under development)



| Outcome                                                                                    | Indicators                                                                                                                                                                      |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Connected to services</b>                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| We have responsive services that adapt to meet changing community needs.                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• High quality health services</li><li>• Mobility to and from services</li><li>• Do people know where to go to access services?</li></ul> |
| <b>Connected to destinations</b>                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| We can move easily in and around the community to access the places and spaces we want to. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reliable and efficient public transport</li><li>• Lack of road congestion</li><li>• Road traffic volume on major arteries</li></ul>     |
| <b>Connected to culture</b>                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| We feel connected to place through celebrating diverse meanings of culture.                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Social cohesion</li><li>• Delivery of cultural facilities</li></ul>                                                                     |
| <b>Connected to community</b>                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                 |

**Ensuring sustainable communities**



**Well connected**

provision of good transport services and communication linking people to the services they need



**Well served**

provision of a complete range of services that are appropriate and accessible to all



**Active, inclusive and safe**

a vibrant, harmonious and inclusive communities

**Supporting strategies and plans**

- |                                                                                                         |                                                                                               |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Move 2036</li><li>• Connected through Creativity 2029</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Towards 2040</li><li>• Better Together 2040</li></ul> |
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## Glossary of terms

|                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Population-level framework</b>                  | An outcomes framework that articulates outcomes for the whole population. In this instance the whole population is the Northern Beaches.                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>System (Strategy) level framework</b>           | An outcomes framework that articulates outcomes for a service system. In the Council context this could be considered the outcome frameworks adopted by leading strategies and plans.                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Domain</b>                                      | The categories of wellbeing used to organise connected outcomes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Outcome (Northern Beaches population level)</b> | Aspirational improvements in wellbeing for the whole of the Northern Beaches community                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Indicator</b>                                   | A measurable attribute that demonstrates current state for each outcome at a point in time. Analysing the direction of change and trends over time will identify what action is needed to progress towards an outcome. It answers the question "how will we know if we are progressing towards the outcome?" |
| <b>Output</b>                                      | A statement of what is delivered (e.g., milestone, product, or service)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |



Image: Isabelle Stapf-Giannakis



## Appendix 1

### Core indicator explanations

| Domain  | Outcome              | Indicator                                                    | Indicator Description                                                                                      | Trend | Why it has been selected as an indicator                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Data set                       |
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| Healthy | Physical Health      | The ability to view and participate in sports and recreation | S How people rate the local area for ability to view and participate in sports and recreation (scale 0-10) | ⬆     | Benefits of participating in sports and recreation delivers benefits beyond the physical. Engaging in sports and recreation increases the chance of incidental social contact, brings cognitive benefits, and often serves as places where the community can connect across social, cultural, and generational lines.           | Living on the Northern Beaches |
| Healthy | Physical Health      | Physical health rating                                       | S How people rate their physical health (scale 0-10)                                                       | ⬆     | Self-reported health assessments are simple and global. They have been found to be a very powerful predictor of future morbidity, health care use and mortality, independent of other medical, behavioural, or psychosocial risk factors. Self-reported physical health correlates with the overall subjective Wellbeing Index. | Living on the Northern Beaches |
| Healthy | Mental Health        | Mental health rating                                         | S How people rate their mental health (scale 0-10)                                                         | ⬆     | Satisfaction with mental health is an important predictor of a person's wellbeing. Self-reported mental health correlates with the overall subjective Wellbeing Index.                                                                                                                                                          | Living on the Northern Beaches |
| Healthy | Healthy environments | Tree Canopy                                                  | O The % of the LGA that has tree canopy                                                                    | ⬆     | A healthy tree canopy will play a critical role in maintaining the health and liveability residents expect. The urban forest is the 'engine room' for urban ecosystems contributing to our ability to provide clean air, oxygen shade and habitat.                                                                              | Council data                   |
| Healthy | Healthy environments | Greenhouse gas emissions                                     | O Community greenhouse gas emissions measured in tonnes per person                                         | ⬇     | An indicator of the negative contribution the city is making to climate change. A decline in emissions per person may indicate that emissions are being better managed                                                                                                                                                          | Kinesis Dashboard              |

#### Key

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| Healthy  | Healthy environments | Environmental attitudes and behaviour | S % falling in the lost and doubting segments that measure climate change attitudes and sustainability behaviour.       | ⬇️    | This indicator demonstrates segmentation of respondents by attitude towards climate change and the behaviours they participate in. Decreases in the lost (believe climate change is less likely and do not perform sustainable behaviours often) and doubting (believe climate change is less likely but perform sustainable behaviours often) segments indicate overall improvement in climate change attitudes | Environmental Perceptions Survey |
| Healthy  | Social health        | Social wellbeing rating               | S How people rate their social wellbeing (scale 0-10)                                                                   | ⬆️    | Social wellbeing is an important indicator of a person's ability to connect and form personal relationships with others. Close relationships have benefits for individuals and society overall.                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Living on the Northern Beaches   |
| Liveable | Affordable           | Affordable decent housing             | S How people rate the local area for affordable decent housing (scale 0-10)                                             | ⬆️    | Understanding the provision of affordable decent housing goes well beyond the dwelling. This indicator seeks to contextualise the community's view on 'housing' with two additional features - perception of value (represented as affordable) and quality (represented as decent).                                                                                                                              | Living on the Northern Beaches   |
| Liveable | Affordable           | Rental affordability index (RAI)      | O Rental affordability calculated using the following equation $RAI = (\text{income} / \text{qualifying income}) * 100$ | ⬇️    | The RAI demonstrated rental affordability relative to household incomes. It quantifies the rental affordability and highlights experiences of disadvantaged households. This is particularly important in a place like the Northern Beaches where this story is not always demonstrated through typical statistical data sets such as ABS.                                                                       | SGS Economics                    |
| Liveable | Safe                 | Feeling safe                          | S How people rate the local area for feeling safe (scale 0-10)                                                          | ⬇️    | Feeling safe and secure has been described as the bedrock upon which our more social and aspirational needs can be met. It's been argued that if we do not feel safe and secure, we simply cannot participate to our fullest extent.                                                                                                                                                                             | Living on the Northern Beaches   |

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| Liveable | Safe        | Rate of major crime per 100,000 people | O Collective rate across major crime categories per 100 000                                                                               | ⊖     | The rate of crime is an indicator of feelings of personal safety. It is considered a benchmark for overall levels of safety in the city and the degree of protection to citizens. The rate of offences per 100,000 allows comparisons to be made across geographical areas and across times, because the population size is considered.                                                                                                                                                                        | BOCSAR                                                      |
| Liveable | Sustainable | Access to the natural environment      | S How people rate the local area for access to the natural environment (e.g., Rivers, beaches, forests, parks, green spaces) (scale 0-10) | ⊕     | Epidemiologists tell us that spending time in the natural environment on a regular basis makes a serious positive contribution to our wellbeing and resilience. This is an indicator that we want to experience and protect at the same time. It is often cited as amongst one of the most important liveability indicators.                                                                                                                                                                                   | Living on the Northern Beaches                              |
| Liveable | Sustainable | Public outdoor recreation space        | O Hectares of public outdoor recreation space per person                                                                                  | ⊖     | The quantity and quality of outdoor recreation space can influence the health of residents.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Council data                                                |
| Liveable | Sustainable | Beach water quality                    | O Water quality of beaches for swimming (32 beaches monitored)                                                                            | ⊖     | Recreational water quality provides insight into resident's ability to access recreational waters which include ocean beaches, lake and lagoon swimming and ocean baths. Beach water quality indicates the impact of pollution sources on the body of water which can pose significant health risks, especially to certain groups of more vulnerable users such as children, the elderly, people with compromised immune systems, tourists, and people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds. | Enterocci data - NSW Dep Planning, Industry and Environment |
| Liveable | Appealing   | Liveability Index                      | S Derived from scores across the 16 critical liveability attributes                                                                       | ⊕     | The overall Liveability Index identifies which specific attributes Northern Beaches residents believe need to be maintained and improved to advance quality of life.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Living on the Northern Beaches                              |

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| Liveable      | Appealing         | Wellbeing Index            | S Derived from scores across three domains of wellbeing                                        | ⬆     | Drawn from the WHO definition of 'health' "a state of complete physical, mental and social wellbeing and not merely the absence of disease and infirmity." The Wellbeing index measures a person's collective experience of the three facets of wellbeing: physical, mental and social. Wellbeing is the state of feeling comfortable, healthy and contented. Subjective wellbeing is a self-rated measure of the fit between a person's hopes and expectations and their present experience. | Living on the Northern Beaches |
| Participatory | Inclusive economy | Financial Wellbeing Index  | S Derived from response to "how would you rate your personal financial circumstances?"         | ⬆     | Self-rated measurement of economic security and likely future opportunities. It measures a person's collective experience of their financial circumstances.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Living on the Northern Beaches |
| Participatory | Inclusive economy | Good job prospects         | S How people rate the local area for good job prospects (scale 0-10)                           | ⬆     | Understanding resident perspectives on the provision of 'good job prospects/in their local area shines a light on how the community views the labour market opportunities now, and into the future. Considered highly important to younger people when they're thinking about what makes somewhere a good place to live this indicator is clearly an attractor quality for local areas to grow and retain working age people, such as the Northern Beaches.                                   | Living on the Northern Beaches |
| Participatory | Inclusive         | Trends in local spend data | O % of categories that have increased spend over the previous period 14 expenditure categories | ⬆     | Trends in local spend data provide us with an objective understanding of the types of businesses people are spending their money at and the distribution across different business types for example household goods, hospitality, accommodation, construction                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Spend map data                 |

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| Participatory | Business diversity | Diverse range of shopping, leisure, and dining experiences | S How people rate the local area for a diverse range of shopping, leisure, and dining experiences (scale 0-10) | ⬆     | Understanding the relative value, the community places on this indicator and how they experience it in their local area is important to understand the role, function, and future of our places.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Living on the Northern Beaches |
| Participatory | Business diversity | A prosperous economy                                       | S How people rate the local area for a prosperous economy (scale 0-10)                                         | ⬆     | An indicator for how the community views the financial wellbeing of the local area. Understanding 'a prosperous economy' across small areas provides a platform for us to explore the relative distance between places perceived to be the most and least prosperous, whether we are becoming economically prosperous overall or in pockets and whether the gap between the most and least prosperous local areas are expanding or contracting. | Living on the Northern Beaches |
| Participatory | Equipped           | High quality education opportunities                       | S How people rate the local area for high quality education opportunities (scale 0-10)                         | ⬆     | This indicator is often selected by younger Australians when asked to consider what makes somewhere a good place to live. As how we learn, and work continues to change - the ability to access and participate in high quality education across all ages and employment sectors will only become more important to our personal social progress, collective economic security and overall wellbeing.                                           | Living on the Northern Beaches |
| Participatory | Engaged            | Opportunity for all                                        | S How people rate the local area for opportunity of all (scale 0-10)                                           | ⬆     | It has been well documented that if people are treated fairly and without prejudice, they will have a far greater chance of making social and economic progress. Monitoring the value, the community places on opportunity for all and how well they believe their local area delivers in that regard is an important metric to informing our understanding of how well we are progressing as a society.                                        | Living on the Northern Beaches |

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| Connected | Services     | High quality health services                            | S How people rate the local area for high quality health services (scale 0-10)                                                        | ⬆️    | Delivering high quality health services is crucial to our public and economic health. With an ageing population, an ever-increasing share of our GDP is spent on service delivery. Understanding and monitoring views on health is critical to local prosperity. This indicator is often more important to older Australians. | Living on the Northern Beaches  |
| Connected | Services     | Making your way to and from services with relative ease | S How people rate making their way to and from services such as employment, education, and healthcare with relative ease (scale 0-10) | ⬆️    | This indicator allows us to better understand how the community views their ability to access essential services such as employment, education, and healthcare with relative ease.                                                                                                                                            | Living on the Northern Beaches  |
| Connected | Services     | Do people know where to go to access services           | S % of residents who say they know where to get help when they need it                                                                | ⬆️    | The ability to access services when they are needed correlates to residents' feelings of connection.                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Living on the Northern Beaches  |
| Connected | Destinations | Reliable and efficient public transport                 | S How people rate the local area for reliable and efficient public transport (scale 0-10)                                             | ⬆️    | The ability to access reliable and efficient public transport provides a way for us to connect with work, education, social opportunities, and other critical services that make for a good life.                                                                                                                             | Living on the Northern Beaches  |
| Connected | Destinations | Lack of road congestion                                 | S How people rate the local area for a lack of road congestion (scale 0-10)                                                           | ⬇️    | Studies have shown the relationship between road congestion and lower levels of wellbeing, productivity and other barriers that stop us from having a more full and prosperous life.                                                                                                                                          | Living on the Northern Beaches  |
| Connected | Destinations | Road traffic volume on major arteries                   | O % Change in traffic volume on five major arterial roads                                                                             | ⬇️    | Objective measure of road congestion on five major arterial roads: Mona Vale Road, Pittwater Road, Warringah Road, Forest Way, Spit Bridge                                                                                                                                                                                    | NSW Roads traffic volume counts |

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| Connected | Culture   | Social cohesion                                                                    | S How people rate the local area for social cohesion (e.g. inclusion of multiculturalism, religious groups living in harmony, etc.) (scale 0-10) | ⬆     | Studies show that societies with high levels of social cohesion tend to be more prosperous, economically competitive and resilient. To this end, residents are a tremendous resource for informing our understanding as to how cohesive our local communities are and whether there are some communities that are becoming more or less cohesive over time.                                        | Living on the Northern Beaches |
| Connected | Culture   | Cultural facilities and events such as libraries, museums, galleries and festivals | S How people rate the local area for cultural facilities and events such as libraries, museums, galleries and festivals (scale 0-10)             | ⬆     | The delivery of cultural infrastructure forms an essential part of our economic prosperity, liveability, and wellbeing. While it can be overlooked by residents for its importance and contribution to what makes a good place to live, understanding the community's views on cultural facilities and events makes an important contribution to our overall understanding of place and community. | Living on the Northern Beaches |
| Connected | Community | Strong sense of community                                                          | S How people rate the local area for a strong sense of community (scale 0-10)                                                                    | ⬆     | Countless studies report the positive correlation between residents' connection to place/community with higher levels of self-reported wellbeing and optimism.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Living on the Northern Beaches |
| Connected | Community | Levels of volunteering                                                             | O % of people that participated in voluntary work through an organisation or group in the last 12 months                                         | ⬆     | The voluntary work sector is an important part of Australia's economy. The level of volunteering can indicate the cohesiveness of the community and how readily individuals are able to contribute to their community.                                                                                                                                                                             | Census data presented by .id   |

## **ITEM 6.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE**

### **ISSUE**

This is a standing item on the agenda for the Community Safety Coordinator to provide an update.

### **BACKGROUND**

#### Police and Council Operational meeting

A meeting was held on 4 June 2026 with the following key topics of discussion:

- Upcoming events to September 2026
- Discussed locations including:
  - Church Point wharf
  - Lakeview Holiday Park
  - Dee Why beach
  - Glenrose Shopping Centre
  - James Meehan Reserve, Dee Why
  - Rialto Square Manly
- Discussed issues including:
  - Motorbike and scooter thefts
  - Bush doofs
  - Projectile throwing
  - CCTV
- Safety audit updates:
  - Village Park, Mona Vale (night audit)
  - John Fisher Park, Curl Curl (day and night)
  - Warriewood Community Centre (day and night)

A meeting was held on 6 August 2026 with the following key topics of discussion.

- Upcoming events to October 2026
- Discussed locations including:
  - Rialto Square, Manly
  - Bert Payne Park, Newport
  - Avalon Beach Reserve
- Public Safety Forum at Dee Why Surf Club coordinated by Michael Regan MP for Wakehurst.
- Safety audit updates:
  - James Meehan Reserve
  - East Esplanade Community Safety Management Plan

The next meeting will be held on 8 October 2026.

### Community Safety Plan update

The [Community Safety Action Plan 2026 - 2031](#) has been endorsed by the Project Panel and approved by the Director, Community and Recreation.

The Action Plan supersedes the Community Safety Plan 2021-2026 which has guided actions over the past 5 years.

The Plan supports delivery of Council's Community Strategic Plan goal of 'Our community feels safe and supported' and the 'Safe' direction of the Better Together 2040 Sustainability Strategy.

The [Community Safety Action Plan 2026 - 2031](#) is publicly available on Council's website along with the [Community safety on the Northern Beaches - A community insights paper](#). Implementation of actions under this Action Plan is now underway.

### Suicide Prevention Working Group update

Sydney North Health Network (SNHN) advise that they are still working towards establishing the Northern Beaches Suicide Prevention Working Group within the structure of the new Northern Sydney Wellbeing Collaborative. This has taken longer than anticipated as they work through broader governance and local engagement processes.

At this stage, they expect to progress this through an upcoming Wellbeing Collaborative event in late August, with the structure, membership process and next steps to be confirmed shortly after.

They have advised that previous members and relevant local stakeholders will have an opportunity to express interest when the Working Group is newly formalised.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Committee receive and note the information.

**Reporting officer:** Community Safety Coordinator

**Attachments:** Nil

## **7 GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **7.1 Sharps Trial**

Council commenced a sharps and dialysis tubing collection trial in September 2021, which was supported by the former Community Safety Committee at Agenda Item 6.5 of the August 2020 meeting.

The trial was funded by the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) under the Better Waste and Recycling Fund. The trial delivered collection bins and sharps containers to 4 pharmacies in identified areas of need. The collection trial period and EPA funding ended in 2023.

Under the Local Government Act, Council is required to only apply the fees collected from residents as part of the domestic waste management charge (DWMC) to support domestic waste services. As the Medical Sharps collection program is a commercial service, Council's waste team are not able to fund this service from the DWMC and does not propose to continue with the service.

Pharmacies can contact NSW Health for advice about other collection options available to them and their customers.

### **7.2 Youth safety and education**

Cr Dillon will raise Pittwater residents' concerns in relation to youth behaviour.

### **7.3 Dee Why**

Cr Beaugard will raise concerns in relation to the community response to incident at Dee Why.

## **8 MEETING CLOSURE**