



A Message from the Mayor



Technology is rapidly changing the way we live, the way we get around, how and where we work and even how we spend our leisure time. It's hard to imagine what the world will look like when a baby born today enters the workforce twenty years from now.

And yet, as a community we must turn our attention to the Sydney of the future because the planning decisions we make now will impact on that baby's quality of life into adulthood.

Good planning is all about looking ahead and ensuring we have the housing, infrastructure, transport, parking, services and environment to support our lives now, and in the future.

Sydney is growing. By 2036, it is estimated Sydney's population will grow by 1.7 million people to around 6.4 million people. Every Council area will be made to take a share of this growth. By current trends, the State Government will require us to house around 45,000 more people over the next 20 years - we won't have a choice.

What we do have is a great opportunity, as one new large Council, to create a single planning vision for the Northern Beaches - a roadmap for managing the way our area evolves, in a sustainable way, over the next 20 years and beyond.

The State Government has asked us to take our four current Local Environment Plans and, working with our community and other stakeholders, create one new plan. This will be a significant project, over three years, to make sure we have plenty of time to get it right.

Be assured, it won't be one size fits all - we are unwavering in our commitment to maintain the unique characters of all our various neighbourhoods and areas.

And in the meantime, we continue to advocate for better State Government planning rules. It's not okay that State rules override our local planning controls and place enormous pressure on existing infrastructure and services. Boarding houses, seniors developments, and even schools, whilst much needed, are using State Government loopholes to allow them to be developed in inappropriate places. And we still need to see an east west rapid bus transit delivered ahead of any new development around the new hospital at Frenchs Forest.

Register your interest on our website now to help us plan for our sustainable future. I look forward to engaging with you as we take on this important project together and create a place we will be proud to hand on to our children and their children.

Have a great weekend.

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Have Your Say

The following projects are currently open for comment:

Dee Why Children's Centre

Comments close: [Sun 10 Feb](#)

Avalon Beach Reserve Dog Off-Leash Area Trial

Drop-in session: today, 9-11am,

Avalon Beach Reserve

Comments close: [Sun 24 Feb](#)

Station Beach Dog Off-Leash Area - Proposed Trial

Comments close: [Thu 28 Feb](#)

Guidelines for Bike Share Operators

Comments close: [Sun 3 Mar](#)

Northern Beaches Bike Plan

Comments close: [Sun 3 Mar](#)

Northern Beaches Walking Plan (draft)

Comments close: [Sun 3 Mar](#)

Planning Our Sustainable Future

Register your interest

Development Proposals

View application plans and documents:

- northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au

Make a submission:

- northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au
- council@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au

Contact a planner:

- 1300 434 434
- council@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au (mark attention to the planner)

43 Booralie Rd, Terrey Hills

Mod2019/0024 (Lot 1 DP 545812) - modification of Development Consent DA2016/0523 granted for demolition works, construction of a service station and signage.

Applicant: Inland Building and Construction
Consent authority: Northern Beaches Council

Enquiries: Kye Miles, Planner
Submissions close: Sat 23 Feb