Ku-ring-gai Local Strategic Planning Statement

Background
Set up by the NSW Government in 2015, the Greater Sydney Commission is responsible for managing growth in Sydney. This includes employment, housing and infrastructure. The Commission has prepared a plan for northern Sydney’s future growth, called the North District Plan.

Under this Plan, Ku-ring-gai Council is required to prepare a Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS). This is to ensure land use planning aligns with the strategic objectives of the North District Plan.

Ku-ring-gai Council already has comprehensive land use plans and related policies developed in consultation with residents, community groups, business and government agencies. The draft LSPS draws together the priorities and actions from Council’s existing land use plans and policies to present an overall land use vision for Ku-ring-gai up to 2036.

Council conducted community consultation during April and May 2019 to help develop the LSPS. The draft Ku-ring-gai LSPS is now on exhibition for public comment between 1 July and 12 August 2019.

What’s in the LSPS
The Draft LSPS sets out Ku-ring-gai’s economic, social and environmental land use needs over the next 20 years, between 2016 and 2036. The LSPS provides guidance on:

- The location of future housing
- The future identity and character of main centres (Lindfield, Gordon, St Ives and Turramurra)
- Additional requirements for community facilities and open space
- Future transport infrastructure
- Partnership opportunities with government agencies
- Local heritage and how it is managed and conserved
- Supporting local businesses, retailers and commercial centres
- Managing bushland, biodiversity and waterways
- Adapting to climate change

The Draft LSPS also identifies where further strategic planning is required, such as a Housing Strategy and Retail/Commercial Centres Strategy.

We want to hear from you
The LSPS is an important document, as it will shape how we live, work and play in Ku-ring-gai in the future. Basically the LSPS will guide how all land in Ku-ring-gai is planned, used and developed.

Having your say on the LSPS is important as it will come into effect by the end of 2019.

Please review the LSPS Vision and Planning Priorities set out in this document and indicate your level of support for each one. Use the instructions on the back of this information sheet to give your feedback.

The deadline for comments is 12 August 2019.
20 Year Vision

Strategically located in the heart of Sydney’s North District, Ku-ring-gai is an area of socially connected, healthy, sustainable communities that support vibrant local centres, live in harmony with the unique natural environment, and conserve our assets for future generations.

Planning Priorities

The Ku-ring-gai Local Planning Priorities outline how council will achieve the 20 year vision. They have been developed using recent and past community consultation research and independent studies.

### LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE
K1. Providing well-planned and sustainable local infrastructure to support growth and change

### COLLABORATION
K2. Collaborating with State Government Agencies and the community to deliver infrastructure projects

### HOUSING
K3. Providing housing close to transport, services and facilities to meet the existing and future requirements of a growing and changing community
K4. Providing a range of diverse housing to accommodate the changing structure of families and households and enable ageing in place
K5. Providing affordable housing that retains and strengthens the local residential and business community

### LOCAL AND NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRES
K6. Revitalising and growing a network of centres that offer unique character and lifestyle for local residents
K7. Facilitating mixed-use developments within the centres that achieve urban design excellence
K8. Promoting Gordon as the centre for business and civic functions and as the cultural heart of Ku-ring-gai
K9. Promoting St Ives as an active green lifestyle and shopping destination
K10. Promoting Turramurra as a family-focused urban village
K11. Promoting Lindfield as a thriving and diverse centre

### LOCAL CHARACTER AND HERITAGE
K12. Managing change and growth in a way that conserves and enhances Ku-ring-gai’s unique visual and landscape character
K13. Identifying and conserving Ku-ring-gai’s environmental heritage

### ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES AND CULTURAL HERITAGE
K14. Protecting, conserving and managing Ku-ring-gai’s Aboriginal heritage assets, items and significant places
K15. Strengthening recognition and support for Aboriginal communities and cultural heritage
K17. Providing a broad range of open spaces, sporting and leisure facilities to meet the community’s diverse and changing needs
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K19. Providing well maintained, connected, accessible and highly valued trail networks and recreational infrastructure where locals and visitors enjoy and connect with nature
K20. Developing and managing a network of sporting assets that best meet the needs of a growing and changing community

### COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL INFRASTRUCTURE
K14. Providing a range of cultural, community and leisure facilities to foster a healthy, creative, culturally rich and socially connected Ku-ring-gai

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Have your say
The draft LSPS is on exhibition from 1 July to 12 August. You can give feedback in the following ways.

• Complete the planning priorities online survey at kmc.nsw.gov.au/lsp
• Printed copies of the survey are available at Council libraries in St Ives, Gordon, Turramurra and Lindfield and the customer service centre at 818 Pacific Highway Gordon.
• Send written comments quoting reference no. S12396 by email to kmc@kmc.nsw.gov.au or by mail to General Manager, Ku-ring-gai Council, Locked Bag 1006 Gordon NSW 2072. The closing date for comments is 12 August 2019.

The outcomes of the public exhibition will be reported to Council later this year.

Got a question?
Visit kmc.nsw.gov.au/lsp to view questions and answers online.

Attend a community drop-in session and speak to Council staff, ask questions and make a submission:

• Gordon Library – Tuesday 23 July • 4pm – 6pm
   799 Pacific Hwy Gordon
• Turramurra Library – Thursday 25 July • 3pm – 5pm
   5 Ray St Turramurra
• St Ives Library – Monday 29 July • 3pm – 5pm
   166 Mona Vale Rd St Ives
• Lindfield Library – Wednesday 31 July • 3pm – 5pm
   265 Pacific Hwy Lindfield

What happens next
Following the public exhibition we aim to finalise the LSPS by December 2019.

Future related work
In anticipation of an updated LSPS in 2021 Council will undertake the following studies:

• Housing Strategy
• Local Character Study
• Retail/ Commercial Centres Study
• Employment Lands Study
• Other important studies relating to open space and recreation, environment and community facilities.

Community consultation and engagement will play an important role in these studies. When complete, the studies will provide further strategic direction, and feed into future reviews of Ku-ring-gai’s land use planning documents.