

# PENRITH SPORT AND RECREATION STRATEGY

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY** 

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### MAYOR'S MESSAGE

The Penrith Sport and Recreation Strategy is a blueprint for the future development and enhancement of our community spaces throughout the wider Penrith Local Government Area.

The Strategy reflects the needs and expectations of our growing community while setting a framework for the creation of an active, safe, healthy and vibrant city that enhances Penrith's reputation as a liveable city.

While Council is driving this Strategy, a community wide approach is needed to deliver the program. Penrith Council will be working with all levels of Government, as well as state and local sporting and community organisations, to create a city with space to work, rest and play.

This strategy would not be possible without the invaluable feedback and input we received from the wider community. A wide range of individuals, community groups and sporting groups have participated in community consultation sessions and stakeholder discussions.

Many of the ideas, opinions and suggestions put forward by our residents and organisations are now contained within this Strategy.

## GENERAL MANAGER'S MESSAGE

Penrith Council recognises the importance of providing organised and passive sport and recreation opportunities. This strategy guides our continuing commitment to provide residents with a wide range of sporting activities within the local area as well as opportunities for unstructured recreation in our open space network.

Penrith Council will continue to experience growth. This strategy prepares us for the future and will provide our existing and future residents with the infrastructure and open space to continue living active and healthy lives.

We will continue to work with our community and stakeholders to ensure our vision of diverse, accessible, safe and appealing open spaces are provided for the whole community to enjoy.

The Sport and Recreation Strategy is the tool that informs our future planning and delivery of Recreation and Open Space infrastructure that meets the needs of our community.

The strategy will ensure we manage the growth and continue to provide our community with services and facilities they want and need. The Strategy sets a clear direction and vision for the creation of one of the state's most liveable cities.



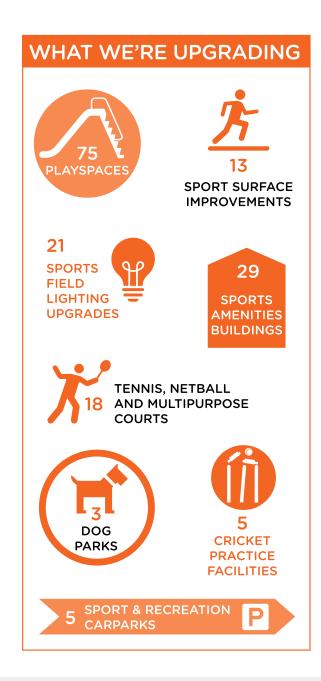
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## PLANNING PENRITH'S SPACES AND PLACES

Penrith is a city with a wide variety of urban and rural areas, some of which are well established and others are undergoing rapid development. Penrith City Council has developed a 15-year strategy designed to provide its residents with a city wide network of parks, reserves, open spaces, recreation and sports facilities.

This 15-year strategy provides a road map designed to ensure everyone has a space nearby to relax, get out of the house or take part in their favourite sport.

The strategy has been divided into delivery plans for the short term (1-5 years), medium term (6-10 years) and long term (10-15+ years). These plans will be reviewed and updated at the five, 10 and 15 year marks taking into consideration community need, future development of the City, contemporary trends and resource availability.

To determine the needs of the City, the strategy has been developed in consultation with our communities. Council facilitated two community forums,12 'pop up' community engagement sessions and an online survey for residents to inform Council of the current provision of sport, play, recreation and open space in the City.

Council further engaged with 62 local sport entities, 9 state sporting organisations and non-sporting groups through an online survey and facilitated a Summer and Winter sports forum to discuss the existing and future provision of sport and recreation needs.

The core objectives of the Penrith Sport and Recreation Strategy are to:

- Plan for Growth ensure that the provision and delivery of sport, recreation, play and open space meets the needs of the city's current population and future growth.
- Promote Accessibility and Inclusion encourage active and healthy lifestyles for all in the community by optimising access and functionality.
- Support Environmental Sustainability conserve and enhance the city's natural values as an integral part of the landscape of public open space, and respond to climate change.
- Create Economic Benefits foster recreation-based participation, infrastructure development and visitation to the city that benefits the local economy.
- Manage the City's Assets inform strategic asset management strategies to ensure effective and contemporary provision of facilities through efficient ongoing maintenance and renewal.
- Program Resources design, maintain and review sport, recreation, play and open space facilities and services with associated funding and resourcing strategies.
- Monitor and Evaluate Outcomes review and refine strategies based on an ongoing assessment of success against key performance indicators.



### STRATEGIC CONTEXT

This 15-year Penrith Sport and Recreation Strategy forms the road map for the future provision of sport, recreation, play and open space facilities across the City. The Strategy and action plan identifies gaps in provision and addresses future demands and need relative to **Open Space**, **Play**, **Sport and Recreation** 

The strategy closely aligns with many Federal, State and Penrith City Council policies and plans that relate to the provision and management of sport, play, recreation and open space. There are also several major initiatives that will continue to impact on open space planning provision into Penrith's future. The strategy, while seeking to anticipate future development will need to be reviewed periodically as initiatives emerge and progress. It should be noted that many of these proposals are in early planning phases and may not be realised for many years. These include:

- Western Sydney Airport on the City's southern boundary.
- Major road and rail infrastructure to service Western Sydney and the Airport.
- Growth in service provision in the health and education corridors east of the Penrith CBD.
- Investigation areas for residential development including Orchard Hills, Glenmore Park and Western Sydney University.
- Employment lands expansion.
- Expected progressive opening of the Penrith Lakes Scheme for public recreation.
- Expected development of the Sydney Science Park.

### **OPEN SPACE**

Our community values access to open space and appreciates being close to natural and rural landscapes and, has a strong desire for environmental protection and enhancement.

In the Penrith Local Government Area, there are over 600 reserves covering more than 1,200 ha of open space. Approximately 8,000 hectares of the City is zoned for nature reserves or national park. Most residents enjoy open space within 500 metres of home.

The Penrith Local Government Area is also bordered by open space which offers significant recreational value and opportunities including the Blue Mountains, Western Sydney Parklands, and Wianamatta Regional Park.

Into the future significant opportunities exist for our community to access open space with the as yet unrealised potential of:

- Penrith Lakes
- South Creek as the centre of the Western Parkland City
- The ongoing implementation of the Our River Masterplan
- The realisation of the Green and Blue Grids.

Access to open space and recreation provides numerous social, environment and economic benefits including the promotion of healthy lifestyles and the improved wellbeing of residents. Future Open Space in the city will;

- Be integrated into a network and connected, creating equitable access.
- Be multi-functional, support a diversity of activity and encourage participation.
- Be classified as; local, district, citywide, linear, sporting space and regional open space.
- Support environmental sustainability.
- Be provided in new release and development areas in accordance to specified quantity and quality frameworks within this strategy.
- Be optimised for existing populations.

Full details are contained in the main strategy document, available on penrithcity.nsw.gov.au/sportandrecreationstrategy



### **PLAY**

Penrith City Council is committed to providing quality playspaces throughout the Penrith LGA.

This will be achieved by using the NSW Government 'Everyone Can Play' guidelines which will provide the principles and frameworks for; upgrading existing playspaces, creating new and exciting parks, providing various forms of play, and improving shading, seating and access.

Future provision of Playspaces will;

- Cater for everyone.
- Bring people together and be welcoming, comfortable, and easy to navigate.
- Offer a range of physical challenges across a variety of landscape settings.
- Be spaces to explore, promoting active and healthy lifestyles.
- Be diverse, contemporary, unique, safe and innovative.
- Be accessible, creating a connected network across the Penrith Local Government Area where everyone is able to engage and play together.
- Be classified in a hierarchy as Local, District, Citywide and Regional to guide levels of investment and facility design.

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### SPORT AND RECREATION

The provision of sport and recreation facilities throughout Penrith Local Government Area is both extensive and diverse. Penrith boasts an environment where traditional sports as well as those less common are played which is a testament to the City's love for sport.

Social recreation is emerging as a trend, particularly unstructured activities rather than organised sport, including walking, cycling, fishing, skating, kayaking and the like.

Penrith is also home to many adventure-based sports and recreation facilities.

To support the demands of sport and the changing recreation trends of the wider community.

Future provision of Sport and Recreation facilities and services will;

• Increase the capacity of existing sportsgrounds and facilities through undergoing upgrades such as building amenities, sports field lighting, irrigation, and surface renovations.

- Be designed and located to maximise use.
- Enable access to existing non-Council sites and venues through engagement with external agencies such as the Department of Education.
- Support sports/recreation clubs and associations to enable good governance, sustainable operations, and facility planning and development.
- Ensure Indoor Sports Facilities and Aquatic Centres meet the needs of the community.
- Provide unstructured recreation spaces and activities to respond to changing trends in participation.
- Develop paths and trails to support walking and cycling in the City.

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## CITY WIDE DELIVERY AND PLANNING

Penrith City is on the western edge of Sydney and covers 404 square kilometres and is experiencing a period of significant growth. There are currently 209,210 people living in 71,111 dwellings in 36 suburbs. By 2028, the population is expected to grow to 238,081 and, to 258,195 by 2036.

This strategy document is designed to give an overview about how the City will ensure its residents have great recreational places and spaces. Planning the City's Open Space, Sport, Playspaces and Recreation facilities is as important as planning the roads, services and developments that will shape the City. To enable this planning, the City has been divided into 'Aggregated Areas' as set out on the adjoining map:

RURAL NORTH CENTRAL

NORTH EAST CENTRAL NORTH

EAST 1 CENTRAL WEST

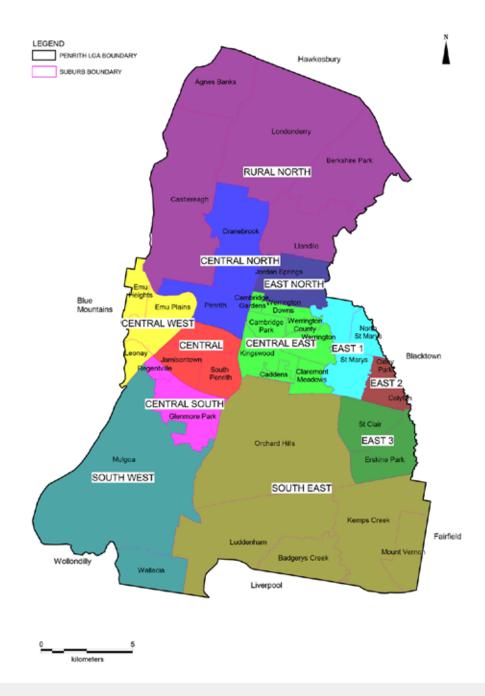
EAST 2 CENTRAL SOUTH

EAST 3 CENTRAL EAST

SOUTH WEST SOUTH EAST

The Aggregated Areas have been developed reflect the demographics, size and varying residential, rural and commercial districts.

This document provides an executive summary, for an in depth analysis and the rationale that has informed this 15-year plan, refer to the main strategy document. Copies can be obtained from Council or by going to the Council website: penrithcity.nsw.gov.au/sportandrecreationstrategy



### **RURAL NORTH**

LONDONDERRY
BERKSHIRE PARK
LLANDILO
AGNES BANKS
CASTLEREAGH

A significant portion of this area contains environmental reserves that are not under Council Control e.g. Castlereagh and Agnes Banks Nature Reserve.

Council operates six reserves in the Rural North, that range in size from 0.2ha - 9.0ha and are mostly outdoor sport and passive parklands.

Close to the Northwest Growth Centre, high levels of visitation from adjoining new suburbs in the Blacktown LGA are anticipated.



### STRATEGY ACTION ITEMS

#### **YEARS 1-5**

#### **PENRITH LAKES SCHEME**

 Advocate for the development of the Penrith Lakes Scheme as a Regional Parkland.

#### LONDONDERRY PARK AND SPORTS OVAL

- Upgrade to District Status.
- Undertake playspace upgrades.
- Install outdoor health and fitness equipment.

#### **WILSON PARK**

• Undertake playspace and recreation upgrades following community consultation.

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

- Engage with community within the precinct to ensure the smaller reserves are providing suitable recreation outcomes.
- Install Water Play at Londonderry Park.
- Monitor population growth in Penrith LGA and adjacent Local Government Areas (Northwest Growth Centre). Assess the requirement to provide additional open space to support visitation increases.
- Advocate for the development of the Penrith Lakes Scheme as a Regional Parkland.
- Advocate to NSW Government to deliver multiple sport opportunities at the Penrith Lakes, including provision of road cycling, off road circuits and cyclocross course, and equestrian activities.
- Work with National Parks and Wildlife Service to improve connections into Wianamatta Park.



#### **YEARS 6-9**

#### LONDONDERRY PARK AND SPORTS OVAL

• Upgrade amenities building.

#### **ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING**

- Engage and collaborate with State and Federal governments on retaining high ecological values through creek corridors and bushland reserves.
- Monitor population growth in Penrith LGA and adjacent Local Government Areas (Northwest Growth Centre). Assess the requirement to provide additional open space to support visitation increases.
- Locate site and create plan for new dog park.

#### **YEARS 10-15**

#### **WILSON PARK**

• Install training level floodlighting and upgrade field surfaces.

#### **SMITH PARK**

• Install training level floodlighting and upgrade field surfaces.

#### **AREA WIDE**

• Improve one playspace through installation of shade, seating, accessibility.

#### **NEW DOG PARK**

• Deliver recreational off leash dog park on allocated site.

### **CENTRAL NORTH**

CRANEBROOK
KINGSWOOD PARK
LEMONGROVE
PENRITH (NORTH OF
RAILWAY LINE)

One of the more established areas of the City, there are 85 reserves in this area, varying in size from 0.035ha to 13.0ha. The types vary from predominantly Passive Parklands with Natural Areas, Creeks, Wetlands and Outdoor Sports for example Cranebrook Wetlands (Mountain View Reserve).

It is expected there will be a strong population growth as a result of expected high density developments in the South of the precinct (Penrith CBD).



**YEARS 1-5** 

#### **IRONBARK RESERVE**

• Upgrade playspace following community consultation.

#### **GOLDMARK RESERVE**

• Upgrade playspace following community consultation.

#### **HENRY BRIGDEN PARK**

• Upgrade playspace following community consultation.

#### **HICKEYS LANE**

• Upgrade floodlighting, building amenities and sports grounds.



#### PARKER STREET RESERVE

• Upgrade floodlighting, amenities buildings and car park.

#### PENDOCK ROAD RESERVE

• Upgrade playspace following community consultation.

#### **BEL-AIR RESERVE**

• Upgrade playspace following community consultation.

#### **WEIR RESERVE**

• Upgrade Nepean Rowing Club boatshed.

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

- Link sport, recreation and play areas to the green grid within the area and to adjoining suburbs.
- Masterplan Agnes Banks Nature Reserve and Agnes Banks East West Connections as part of the Green Grid.
- Integrate civic spaces with public transport opportunities and existing development such as City Park.
- Assess and if required; Improve 8 playspaces through installation of new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections.
- Monitor the requirement for two synthetic multi-sport surfaces at Parker Street Reserve.
- Convert athletics track at Parker Street to multi-use field when synthetic track is constructed in the City following community consultation.
- Investigate construction of Stage 3 Grey Gums Oval amenities building and floodlighting upgrades to support AFL and Little Athletics.
- Develop a joint use agreement with the Department of Education for access to facilities at schools, e.g. Cranebrook High School.
- Continue to implement the 'Our River Masterplan'.
- Improve connections identified in the Great River Walk masterplan.

#### **YEARS 6-9**

#### **GRAY AND ELLIM PLACE**

• Upgrade playspace following community consultation.

#### **AREA WIDE**

- Enhance open space connectivity to link sport, recreation and play areas throughout the area and to adjoining suburbs. Focus on walk and cycle connections between smaller reserves and main green corridor.
- Integrate civic spaces with public transport opportunities and existing development.
- Improve connections as identified in the Great River Walk masterplan
- Reconfigure open space to provide for projected population increases in the southern part of the Aggregated Area.
- Assess and if required; Improve 8 play spaces through installation of new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections.

#### **WEIR RESERVE**

Expand the Schools Boatshed.

#### ANDREWS ROAD RESERVE (NEPEAN RUGBY PARK)

 Upgrade amenities building, grandstand, field surface, car parking and floodlighting.

#### ANDREWS ROAD (BASEBALL FACILITY)

• Upgrade amenities and floodlighting to support community and representative Baseball programs.

#### **GREY GUMS OVAL**

• Construct Stage three amenities building and upgrade floodlighting to support AFL and Little Athletics.

#### **CRANEBROOK OVAL**

• Extend the amenities building to accommodate Rugby League, Cricket and Gridiron.

#### SHERRINGHAM RESERVE

Upgrade floodlighting, ground surface and amenities building.

#### **YEARS 10-15**

#### **AREA WIDE**

- Reconfigure open space to provide for projected population increases in the southern part of the Area.
- Assess and if required; Improve eight playspaces through installation of new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections.

#### **ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING**

- Undertake community consultation and planning process for a water play facility.
- Undertake community consultation and planning for a new local playspace at Soling Crescent, Cranebrook.
- Maintain Cranebrook Dog Park and review future use.

### **NORTH EAST**

**JORDAN SPRINGS** 

Jordan Springs consists of two distinct zones – the more established western portion and the newly developing eastern portion. A significant portion of the suburb is taken up by reserve and parkland, including the 400ha Wianamatta Park, which is administered by the National Parks and Wildlife service.

Distribution of open space is well planned and the vast majority of residents live within 500m of a park or reserve



**YEARS 1-5** 

#### **JORDAN SPRINGS EAST**

- Create a new multi-purpose sport, play & recreation precinct including;
- Six rectangular fields
- One full size oval field
- Three synthetic cricket wickets
- district playspace facility
- cricket practice facilities
- a multi-sport court
- car parking and
- amenities buildings.



#### **ADVOCACY AND PLANNING**

- Engage with National Parks & Wildlife Service regarding access to and within Wianamatta Regional Park.
- Investigate a Regional reserve corridor in Jordan Springs to incorporate Ropes Crossing and South Creek to provide Passive Parklands, Outdoor Sport, Creek and Wetland open space.

**YEARS 6-9** 

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

- Advocate for regional reserve corridor
- Engage with developers to provide a diverse range of play opportunities throughout the Aggregated Area.
- Review the requirement for additional play spaces in the future.



### **CENTRAL EAST**

CAMBRIDGE PARK
CAMBRIDGE GARDENS
WERRINGTON
WERRINGTON COUNTY
WERRINGTON DOWNS
CADDENS
CLAREMONT MEADOWS
KINGSWOOD

The precinct includes both established suburbs and new release areas creating diversity in quality and quantity of open space.

There are 128 reserves in this portion of the City, varying in size from 0.1ha to 33.0ha. They range from Passive Parklands to Natural areas, Creeks and Wetlands.

While there is already extensive access to open space a further extension through creek corridors is required. Population growth is anticipated in the South of the precinct.



fencing, 'bull pens', batting cages at Chapman Gardens Precinct (including Doug Rennie Fields).

### STRATEGY ACTION ITEMS

#### **YEARS 1-5**

### PARKES AVENUE AND RANCE OVAL PRECINCT, WERRINGTON.

- Upgrade amenities at Parkes Avenue and Rance Oval.
- Convert two single use courts to multi-purpose courts.
- Upgrade two Tennis courts at Parkes Avenue to support formal and informal tennis use.
- Improve irrigation at Rance Oval.

### CHAPMAN GARDENS, KINGSWOOD. (INCLUDES DOUG RENNIE FIELD)

- Provide fitness equipment within reserve.
- Provide improved amenities, irrigation and field surfaces, floodlighting and ancillary infrastructure including baseball

#### GIPPS STREET PRECINCT, CLAREMONT MEADOWS.

- Following community consultation construct a district open space and reserve, including:
  - o walking/cycling loops, and outdoor fitness equipment.
  - o four playing fields and two training fields,
  - o amenities buildings and BMX, cycling and scooter facilities.
  - o an additional District level play space including water play following community consultation.

#### **CAMBRIDGE GARDENS MIXED RECREATION AND PLAYSPACE**

- Create a multi-purpose recreation space following community consultation.
- Upgrade Trinity Drive playspace.

#### **CADDENS ROAD SPORTSGROUND**

Complete construction of sports oval, amenities and cricket practice facilities.

#### KINGSWAY SPORTS PRECINCT

- **Kingsway West:** Construct new sportsfields and building amenities.
- **Kingsway North:** Upgrade existing sportsfield lighting, irrigation and improve amenities.

#### **WERRINGTON SPORTS COMPLEX**

 Construct a synthetic athletics track with associated floodlighting, field events areas, amenities and car parking.

#### STAPELY STREET RESERVE

• Install shade, seating and pathways following community consultation.

#### **ARMSTEIN CRESCENT RESERVE**

Install shade structure.

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

- Upgrade playspaces at Werrington Lakes.
- Planning and community consultation to improve 16 playspaces by installing new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections.
- Plan for an additional Dog Park in the Central East.
- Develop an agreement with the Department of Education for access to school facilities.
- Four additional indoor sports courts at Penrith Regional Sports Centre
- Undertake a Healthy Built Environment Audit to establish connections into the Penrith CBD.
- Link Werrington Creek network of open space to the CBD and East to South Creek.
- Extend open space connections through the existing creek corridors and suburbs.
- Upgrade Rance Oval basketball court and provide a new mixed recreation space.

- Install sportsfield lighting at Rance Oval.
- WSU Kingswood & Werrington Campuses: liaise on land development and open space planning.
- Kingsway South: upgrade irrigation.
- Upgrade Arthur Neave tennis spectator cover.

#### **YEARS 6-9**

#### **WERRINGTON SPORTS COMPLEX**

Provide additional fitness equipment and designated mixed recreation space

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

- Maintain and improve existing Archery facility to sustain existing range of competitions and programs, prioritising car park, seating and shade. Review opportunities to accommodate growth.
- Monitor Hockey participation rates and communicate with WSU regarding future facility provision.
- Upgrade Myrtle Road irrigation.

#### JIM ANDERSON PARK

• Install shade, seating and pathways following community consultation.

#### MANAGING NSW GOVERNMENT TRANSPORT CORRIDOR

• Review impacts of transport corridors and the need for replacement land.

#### **YEARS 10-15**

#### **CAMBRIDGE PARK**

 Develop three new local play spaces at Manning Park, Oakland Parade & Greenbank Drive and Hunt & Chisolm Place, following community consultation.

### CENTRAL

JAMISONTOWN
SOUTH PENRITH
PENRITH (SOUTH
OF RAILWAY LINE)

A well-established portion of the Local Government Area that is expected to grow in the northern portion.

Containing 93 reserves that vary in size from 0.1ha to 40. Oha, nearly 35% are less than 0.4ha. Open Space is predominantly Passive Parklands. There is a strong focus on sport in the Central and North East corner of the precinct.

While residents have good access to reserve areas, further access through creek corridors is required.



### STRATEGY ACTION ITEMS

**YEARS 1-5** 

#### **TENCH RESERVE SOUTH**

- Deliver playspace upgrades.
- Deliver the Wharf Precinct, including playspace upgrade and further park improvements.

#### **CITY PARK**

 Develop 'City Park' in Penrith CBD following community consultation.

#### **ROBINSON PARK**

• Playspace upgrade following community consultation.

#### **SPENCE PARK**

• Playspace upgrade following community consultation.

#### **BURCHER PARK**

• Playspace upgrade following community consultation.

#### **WOODRIFF GARDENS (TENNIS)**

• Significant upgrade tennis clubhouse, to sustain its status as a regional tennis facility.

#### **EILEEN CAMMACK RESERVE**

- Upgrade amenities building.
- Playspace upgrade following community consultation.

#### **JAMISON PARK**

- Install additional shade structures and park furniture.
- Renew 16 court surfaces.
- Provide multi-purpose dual synthetic sports fields.

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD PLANNING

- Complete existing connections between suburbs to provide improved access to passive parklands, sport, Nepean River and the CBD.
- Planning and community consultation to Improve 15 playspaces through installation of new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections.
- Develop a Green Plan for the Greater Penrith Collaboration
   Area in conjunction with the NSW Department of Planning and
   Environment Office of Open Space and Parklands.
- Masterplan Jamison Park as a District Sports and Recreation Facility, including a multi-purpose amenities building, a review of the feasibility study for indoor multi-use centre and other amenities.

#### **AREA WIDE**

- Create cycle and walk connections along the rail corridor and the Great Western Highway to assist in better connecting the CBD to the Health and Education precincts to the east.
- Consolidate and invest in better quality reserves within the precinct.

#### **YEARS 6-9**

#### **JAMISON PARK**

• Construct a multi-purpose amenities building to support synthetic sports fields operations.

#### **HOWELL OVAL**

• Maintain the oval as a premier district facility and review its use in five years' time.

#### **ADVOCACY AND FUTURE PLANNING**

- Review Penrith Aquatic Centre capacity use and requirement for investment.
- Develop a BMX/pump track at Robinson Park, Jamisontown subject to community consultation.

#### **YEARS 10-15**

#### **JAMISON PARK SKATE PARK**

• Expand the skate park and install floodlighting.

### **CENTRAL WEST**

EMU HEIGHTS
EMU PLAINS
LEONAY

This well-established portion of the City has 63 reserves ranging in size from less than 0.1ha to 13ha, with nearly 60% of reserves less than 0.4ha. There is a wide variety of setting types in the Precinct with the majority being Passive Parklands.

Population growth in this region is projected to be low.



### STRATEGY ACTION ITEMS

#### **YEARS 1-5**

#### **AREA WIDE**

• Establish improved connections relative to the 'Our River Masterplan' (penrith.city/riverproject) when developed to provide increased open space and recreation opportunities.

#### **REGATTA PARK**

- Enhance the existing provision of Open Space to perform at a District level. Regatta Park is to form part of the Nepean River Regional Open Space.
- Deliver a District level inclusive playspace at Regatta Park as part of the 'Our River Masterplan'. Include the provision of water play and fully accessible amenities.

#### **OUTLOOK AVENUE**

• Upgrade the playspace following community consultation .

#### **LEONAY PARADE**

• Upgrade the playspace following community consultation.

#### **LEONAY OVAL**

• Upgrade sports field lighting and amenities buildings to support Rugby League and Little Athletics.

#### **BUNYARRA RESERVE**

• Upgrade the playspace following community consultation .

#### **HUNTER FIELDS**

• Upgrade the amenities building following community consultation.

#### **DUKES OVAL**

• Upgrade floodlighting and cricket training facilities.

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

- Investigate the opportunity for formalising recreational use of land adjacent to Emu Green on Russell St, Emu Heights.
- Community consultation and planning to install new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections at seven parks.

#### **YEARS 6-9**

#### **DELORAINE DRIVE**

• Install new playspace following community consultation.

#### **LEONAY OVAL**

Upgrade lower amenities building.

#### **DUKES OVAL**

- Upgrade Emu Park at Dukes Oval to support District level play space status, including the provision of equipment for older children and introduce youth elements.
- Provide community fitness equipment adjacent to existing pathway network.
- Upgrade amenities building to support community cricket, AFL and tennis.

#### **AREA WIDE**

• Improve seven playspaces through installation of new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections.

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

- Develop a joint use agreement with the Department of Education for access to facilities at schools, e.g. Nepean Creative and Performing Arts High School.
- Investigate the opportunity to access Department of Corrections land at Emu Plains Correctional Centre for future sport facilities.

#### **YEARS 10-15**

#### **AREA WIDE**

- Continue rollout of improvement to seven play spaces through installation of new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections.
- Develop two new local play space in proximity to Leonay Oval Sportsground & Water Street Reserve.

#### WEDMORE ROAD, EMU HEIGHTS

• Upgrade off leash dog park.

### EAST 1

ST. MARYS
NORTH ST. MARYS

There are 71 reserves in this well-established area, ranging in size from less than 0.1ha to 33ha.

Distribution of reserves provides extensive access to open space within 500m of most homes, with a wide variety of setting types in the Precinct; the majority being Passive Parklands.

Population growth is projected to increase as the St. Marys CBD develops



### STRATEGY ACTION ITEMS

#### **YEARS 1-5**

#### **ROBIN WILES PARK**

• Major landscaping and infrastructure upgrade.

#### MONFARVILLE RESERVE SPORTSGROUND

- Develop plans for a new district play space and following community consultation.
- Upgrade sportsground amenities building.

#### **BENNETT PARK**

Deliver an integrated mixed recreation playspace.

#### **COOK PARK**

• Upgrade existing amenities building and grandstand.

#### **BILL BALL OVAL**

• Upgrade existing amenities building.

#### ST MARYS TENNIS CENTRE

• Upgrade and resurface four courts.

#### **RIPPLES ST MARYS**

• Review and update Ripples St Marys masterplan (2013).

#### **BORONIA RESERVE SPORTS COMPLEX**

• Refurbish the existing amenities building and provide an additional amenities building, upgrade floodlighting and playing surfaces.

#### MANAGING NSW GOVERNMENT TRANSPORT CORRIDOR

 Review impacts of transport corridors and the need for replacement land.

#### **ADVOCACY AND FUTURE PLANNING**

- Undertake community consultation and prepare designs for the improvement of 12 play spaces.
- Work with NSW Government to develop spatial frameworks/ masterplans for priority projects identified in the Sydney Green Grid.
- South Creek Corridor: liaise with NSW Government to secure open space land and ensure environmental and sustainability benchmarks are met.
- Undertake community consultation and plan to enhance open space connectivity.
- Prepare Masterplans following community consultations for: Monfarville Street Reserve, Cook Park Sports Precinct St. Marys and Boronia Reserve Sports Precinct, North St. Marys.
- Monfarville Reserve, St. Marys: undertake community consultation and prepare designs for a mixed recreation space.
- Blair Oval Athletics amenities building upgrade.

#### **YEARS 6-9**

#### **AREA WIDE**

- Improve six playspaces: new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections.
- Assess future transport corridor impacts.

#### **SOUTH CREEK CORRIDOR**

• Secure land from NSW Government and ensure environmental and sustainability benchmarks are met.

#### **ROBIN WILES PARK**

• Provide fitness equipment, basketball, playspace, walk/cycle loops, shade and further enhancements to support District level status.

#### **POPLAR PARK**

• Embellish as recreational space for informal active sport and recreation activities following community consultation.

#### **MONFARVILLE RESERVE**

• Develop as a multi-sport precinct, including floodlighting and field surface improvements and a mixed recreation space.

#### ADVOCACY AND FUTURE PLANNING

 In Consultation with NSW government plan for alternate new locations for Athletics, BMX, Tennis and Football due to potential transport corridor impacts.

#### **YEARS 10-15**

#### **AREA WIDE**

 Improve six playspaces through installation of new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections.

#### **COOK PARK**

• Provide fitness equipment.

#### **BENNETT PARK**

• Provide fitness equipment.

#### **BORONIA PARK**

• Upgrade off leash dog park.

#### **ADVOCACY AND FUTURE PLANNING**

- Provide increased and upgrade of cricket practice area facilities in the Aggregated Area.
- Develop a joint use agreement with the Department of Education for access to facilities at schools, e.g. St Marys Senior High and Dunheved College.

### EAST 2

COLYTON
OXLEY PARK

A well-established portion of the City with 36 reserves ranging from less than 0.1ha to 12.5ha, of which some 60% are less than 0.4ha.

The overwhelming majority of homes have a wide variety of reserves within 500m of their front door, with the majority being Passive Parklands, followed by Natural areas, Creeks and Wetlands and local sports reserves.

Population growth may be achieved through future developments.



**YEARS 1-5** 

#### **ROPER ROAD RESERVE (KEVIN DWYER FIELDS)**

• Upgrade amenities.

#### **BRIAN KING PARK**

- Upgrade playspace, footpath, shade and seating as part of the mayoral challenge.
- Investigate additional recreation facilities needed during playspace consultation process.

#### **BROOKER AND DAY STREET RESERVE**

 Upgrade playspace, footpath, shade and seating following community consultation.



#### **GILMOUR STREET**

• Upgrade playspace, footpath, shade and seating following community consultation.

#### **RIDGE PARK**

• Install irrigation, improve field surfaces and upgrade amenities building.

#### POTTER FIELDS, SHEPHERD STREET

• Upgrade cricket training nets.

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

- Plan for a walking and cycling network that links Ropes Creek westward to South Creek and north to the major parklands corridor of Whalan Reserve and Tregear in the Blacktown LGA.
- Investigate the opportunity for recreational use of land adjacent to Roper Rd Reserve (Kevin Dwyer Fields) on land of the former Jam Factory Site.



#### MANAGING NSW GOVERNMENT TRANSPORT CORRIDOR

• Review impacts of transport corridors and the need for replacement land.

#### YEARS 6-9

#### **AREAWIDE**

- Develop walking and cycling network that link Ropes Creek westward to South Creek and north to the major parklands corridor of Whalan Reserve and Tregear in the Blacktown LGA.
- Establish a new dog off leash facility within Oxley Park following community consultation.
- Improve nine playspaces through installation of new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections.

#### POTTER FIELDS, SHEPERD STREET

• Upgrade amenities building and improve field surface provision.

#### **RIDGE PARK RESERVE**

• Upgrade amenities building.

#### **YEARS 10-15**

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD PLANNING

- Enhance open space connectivity to link sport, recreation and play areas throughout the Aggregated Area and to adjoining suburbs.
- Develop a joint use agreement with the Department of Education for access to facilities at schools, e.g. Colyton High School.

### EAST 3

ERSKINE PARK ST. CLAIR A well-established region of the City with 89 reserves ranging from less than 0.1ha to 13ha.

Nearly 40% of reserves are less than 0.4ha; most of which are within 500m of almost all homes.

There is a wide variety of setting types in the Precinct with the majority being Passive Parklands, followed by Natural Areas, Creeks and Wetlands.

Population growth within the precinct is projected to be static



### STRATEGY ACTION ITEMS

**YEARS 1-5** 

#### **CHAMELEON RESERVE, ERSKINE PARK**

Provide increased open space and play opportunities.

### ERSKINE PARK OPEN SPACE RE-INVESTMENT STRATEGY

• Implement Erskine Park Open Space Reinvestment play facility recommendations with upgrades to Capella Reserve, Aquarius Reserve and Warbler Reserve, following community consultation.

#### **RIDGEVIEW CRESCENT RESERVE**

• Upgrade playspace, include play equipment, seating, shade and pathway following community consultation.

#### PETER KEARNS MEMORIAL OVAL

 Upgrade playspace, include play equipment, seating, shade and pathway following community consultation.

#### **EXPLORERS WAY**

• Upgrade play space, include play equipment, seating, shade and pathway.

#### **DOROTHY RADFORD RESERVE**

• Upgrade playspace following community consultation.

#### MARK LEECE SPORTSGROUND, ST CLAIR

• Upgrade amenities building at Mark Leece Oval.

### ST CLAIR SPORTS CORRIDOR - INCLUDES COOK AND BANKS, SAUNDERS PARK AND PETER KEARNS OVAL

• Upgrade floodlighting at Cook and Banks Reserve.

#### ST CLAIR RECREATION AND LEISURE CENTRE

• Upgrade St. Clair Recreation & Leisure Centre to include resurfaced courts, dance studio improvement, and amenities.

#### ST CLAIR DOG OFF LEASH AREA

• Improve St. Clair Dog Park, include small dog and large dog space, extend footprint, & dog play facilities.

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

 Complete the missing sections of open space Byrnes Creek to the north (across the barrier of the Great Western Highway) and to the east.

#### **YEARS 6-9**

### MANAGING IMPACTS OF NSW GOVERNMENT TRANSPORT CORRIDORS

• Review impacts of transport corridors and the need for replacement land.

#### PEPPERTREE RESERVE, ST CLAIR

• Upgrade the amenities building, car park and irrigation at Peppertree Reserve.

### ST CLAIR SPORTS CORRIDOR - INCLUDES COOK AND BANKS, SAUNDERS PARK AND PETER KEARNS RESERVE)

- Upgrade the amenities building, floodlighting and field surface improvements at Saunders Park. (St Clair Sports Corridor).
- Provide additional storage and upgrade the car park at Peter Kearns Reserve.

#### MARK LEECE OVAL

• Enhance the existing Mixed Recreation Space (Skate and Youth facilities) at Mark Leece Oval following community consultation.

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

- Enhance open space connectivity to link sport, recreation and play areas throughout the Aggregated Area and to adjoining Aggregated Areas.
- Improve 13 playspaces through installation of new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections.

#### **YEARS 10-15**

#### **FITNESS EQUIPMENT**

• Install fitness equipment for all ages at Pacific and Phoenix Reserve and Mark Leece Reserve.

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

 Develop a joint use agreement with the Department of Education for access to facilities at schools, e.g. St Clair High School, Erskine Park High School

#### **NEW PLAYSPACES**

- Develop a new local playspace in proximity to Arundel Park Drive.
- Develop a new district playspace in proximity to Strauss Road Reserve in St. Clair

### **CENTRAL SOUTH**

GLENMORE PARK
REGENTVILLE

There are 37 reserves in this Precinct, ranging in size from less than 0.15ha to 33ha, most of which are within most homes.

There is a wide variety of setting types in the Precinct with the majority being Passive Parklands, followed by Natural areas, Creeks and wetlands.

Strong population growth is projected in the South East of the precinct.



### STRATEGY ACTION ITEMS

**YEARS 1-5** 

#### **SUNBIRD TERRACE RESERVE**

• Installation of new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections following community consultation.

#### **ORIOLE STREET RESERVE**

• Installation of new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections following community consultation.

#### **RICHARDSON PLACE**

• Installation of new shading over playspace.

#### THE CARRIAGEWAY

• Installation of new equipment following community consultation.

#### **GLENGARRY DRIVE**

• Installation of new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections following community consultation.

#### **NINDI CRESCENT**

• Installation of new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections following community consultation.

#### **MULGOA SANCTUARY**

• Develop one new District playspace at Linear Park, Mulgoa Sanctuary.

#### **MULGOA RISE SPORTS FIELDS**

 Provide an additional amenities building (change rooms) at Mulgoa Rise Sports Fields.

#### SURVEYORS CREEK SOFTBALL

• Continue upgrading sports field lighting at Surveyors Creek Fields to support District and Regional Softball programs.

#### CHED TOWNS SPORTS GROUNDS, GLENMORE PARK

• Upgrade amenities building.

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

- Preserve existing natural open space areas throughout Aggregated Area.
- Masterplan the entrance rotunda to Glenmore Park (Cnr Mulgoa Road and Glenmore Parkway) following community consultation.

#### **YEARS 6-9**

#### **AREA WIDE**

- Improve trail and creek connections throughout Glenmore Park and Regentville.
- Improve walking and cycling connections throughout Glenmore Park & Mulgoa Rise.

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

• Improve nine Play spaces through installation of new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections.

#### **YEARS 10-15**

#### **AREA WIDE**

- Provide additional (minimum of five) sports grounds in the proposed Glenmore Park Stage three designed in accordance with sports ground provision guidelines with one site to be considered for a synthetic surface.
- Provide two multi-purpose courts and tennis courts to support active recreation in Glenmore Park.
- Develop a new Local playspace in proximity to Glenmore Parkway Drive.
- Develop a new District playspace in proximity to Rotary Park, Glenmore Park.

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

• Develop a joint use agreement with the Department of Education for access to facilities at schools, e.g. Glenmore Park High School.

### SOUTH EAST

ORCHARD HILLS
LUDDENHAM
KEMPS CREEK
BADGERYS CREEK
MOUNT VERNON

This part of the City is currently a rural lifestyle, but is undergoing rapid development in association with the Western Sydney Airport at Badgerys Creek and Sydney Science Park at Luddenham.

There are currently 4 formal reserves in this Precinct ranging in size from less than 1.2ha to 11ha, consisting of Passive Parklands, Outdoor Sports, Natural Areas and Creeks and Wetlands.

High population growth is expected throughout the precinct (including Orchard Hills) with significant infrastructure and housing development forecast due to the Western Sydney Airport and Sydney Science Park. Appropriate open space will be a requirement for the land developers.



### STRATEGY ACTION ITEMS

**YEARS 1-5** 

#### SALES PARK, LUDDENHAM

• Undertake playspace upgrade at Sales Park as a high priority, including pathway connections following community consultation.

#### **SAMUEL MARSDEN RESERVE**

 Upgrade facilities at Samuel Marsden Baseball Facility to accommodate Club needs in consideration of the long term future of the site

#### **NEW SPORTS & RECREATION FACILITIES**

 Deliver an additional District level sport and recreation space at the new proposed housing development site at Orchard Hills. Infrastructure should include multiple playing fields for dual season use, amenities buildings and ancillary infrastructure.

#### IMPACTS OF NSW GOVERNMENT TRANSPORT CORRIDORS

- Review impacts of transport corridors and the need for replacement land.
- Relocation of existing Baseball and Equestrian Sites in the South East to alternate venues should be considered if existing plans come to fruition.

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

- Work with NSW Government to achieve Blue and Green Grid outcomes.
- Ensure that significant planning of an open space network, especially connections to South Creek, is undertaken to guide future development in the Precinct.
- Apply open space provision benchmarks for new release areas in the South East. In addition, allocate up to 60ha of open space to replace existing sport, play & recreation provision to potentially be displaced by transport corridors.
- Ensure that open space is provided and preserved relative to population increases and Western Sydney Airport impacts.
- Contribute to the NSW Governments priority projects identified in the Greater Sydney Green Grid including Blaxland Creek and Nature Reserve.
- Improved access facilities at Samuel Marsden Riding Facility.

#### **YEARS 6-9**

#### **DEVELOP NEW PLAYSPACES**

- Ensure developers deliver additional playspaces in new development areas, in particular Orchard Hills to meet projected population increases.
- Develop one new local playspace in proximity to Wentworth Road, Orchard Hills.
- Develop one new District playspace at Sydney Science Park, Luddenham.

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

• Assess and if required; Improve two playspaces through installation of new equipment, shade, seating and accessible connections.

#### SYDNEY SCIENCE PARK (NEW DEVELOPMENT)

• Deliver additional sporting fields as part of the Sydney Science Park Precinct at Luddenham.

#### **NEW MIXED RECREATION**

- Consider the development of a Mixed Recreation Space to existing open space in either Orchard Hills or Luddenham.
- Integrate walking trails, cycling, mountain biking and informal active recreation activities into South Creek recreation planning.

#### **YEARS 10-15**

#### DOG OFF LEASH FACILITIES

• Provide a designated Dog Park in the proposed new release areas in the South East Aggregated Area.

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

- Consider development of a new BMX and Cycling facility within the South East precinct should impacts of the proposed transport corridor be realised.
- Investigate the development of a 10 indoor court centre as part of a new sportsground and recreation precinct within South East to accommodate for estimated population increases as part of the developer agreements.

### **SOUTH WEST**

MULGOA WALLACIA There are 13 reserves in this Precinct.
They are relatively evenly spread across
Passive Parklands, Outdoor Sports, Natural
Areas and Creeks and Wetlands.

Key open space sites include; Fowler Reserve (5.8ha), Blaxland Crossing Reserve (8.4ha) and Fernhill Estate (412ha).



### STRATEGY ACTION ITEMS

**YEARS 1-5** 

#### **DOWNES PARK, WALLACIA**

• Undertake a playspace shade upgrade.

#### ADVOCACY AND FORWARD THINKING

- Work with NSW Government to achieve Blue and Green Grid outcomes.
- Liaise with NSW Government to realise open space and recreation opportunities.
- Develop Masterplans for priority projects identified in the Sydney Green Grid.

- Acquire land within Aggregate Area to compensate any category and classification of open space land lost through future infrastructure development.
- Work with developers to deliver additional playspaces in new development areas to meet projected population increases.
- Consider the development of equestrian activities and the potential relocation of the Samuel Marsden Riding for the Disabled Centre at Fernhill Estate, Mulgoa.
- Investigate openspace and recreation opportunities at Fowler Reserve, Blaxland Crossing Reserve and Crossman Reserve, Wallacia.



#### **YEARS 6-9**

#### **DOG OFF LEASH AREA**

• Provide a designated Dog Park in the proposed new release areas in South West Aggregated Area.

#### **YEARS 10-15**

#### **MULGOA PARK IMPROVEMENTS**

• Deliver additional upgrades to Mulgoa Park and maintain at a District level, include provision of Water Play.

#### MIXED RECREATION AND FITNESS OPPORTUNITIES

- Develop a mixed recreation space in either Mulgoa or Wallacia.
- Upgrade existing open space to include fitness equipment & recreation loops in Mulgoa & Wallacia.



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