

Metropolitan Greenspace

SYDENHAM - BANKSTOWN CORRIDOR PLAN

Acknowledgement of Country

The City of Canterbury Bankstown acknowledges the traditional country of the Daruk (Darag, Dharug, Daruk, Dharuk) and the Eora People.

We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land.

We acknowledge they are of continuing importance to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living today.

Photo: Tasker Park Playground

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INTRODUCTION 1

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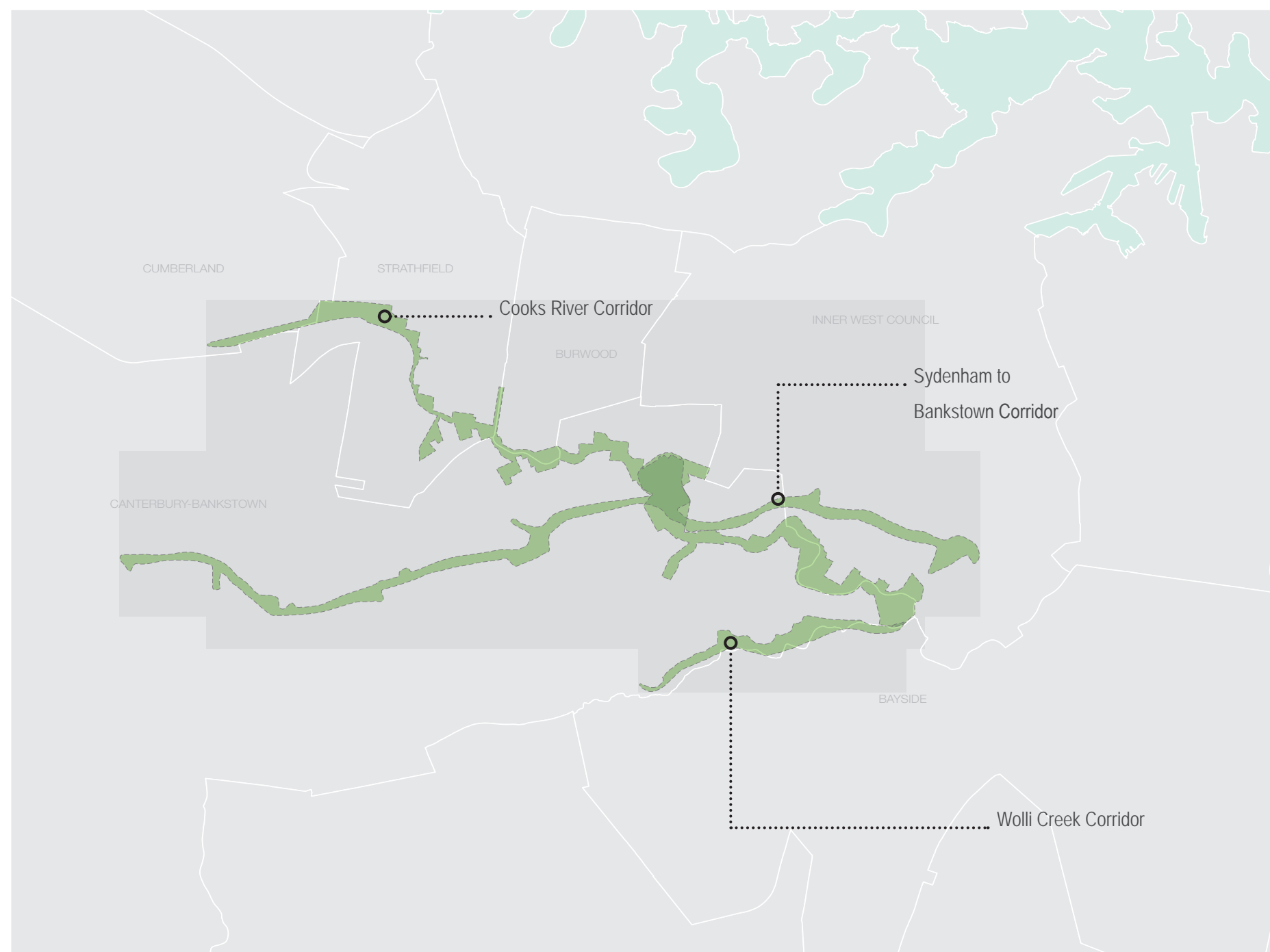
Open space is one of Sydney's greatest assets. The national parks, harbour, beaches, coastal walks, promenades, playgrounds and reserves are integral to character and liveability of the metropolitan region. As population density increases, the challenge to shape the built environment while promoting sustainable development and also maximising quality of life and well-being becomes more important. The COVID-19 pandemic has further emphasised the importance of open space in supporting the health and well-being of communities. In recognition of these challenges, the Government Architect New South Wales (GANSW) has identified a network of high-quality green spaces that connect town centres, public transport hubs and major residential areas. Known as the Sydney Green Grid, it is an integral part of the Greater Sydney Region and District Plans. The Greater Sydney Green Grid will keep the region cool, encourage healthy lifestyles, support walking and cycling, provide better access to open space, enhance bushland and support ecological resilience.

In 2020, Canterbury-Bankstown Council commenced planning for the land included within the local government area which formed part of three broader open space corridors;

- The Cooks River;
- Sydenham to Bankstown; and
- Wolli Creek.

All corridors are located within the South District in the Greater Sydney Metropolitan Region, and have been identified as Priority Green Grid Corridors as part of the Sydney Green Grid.

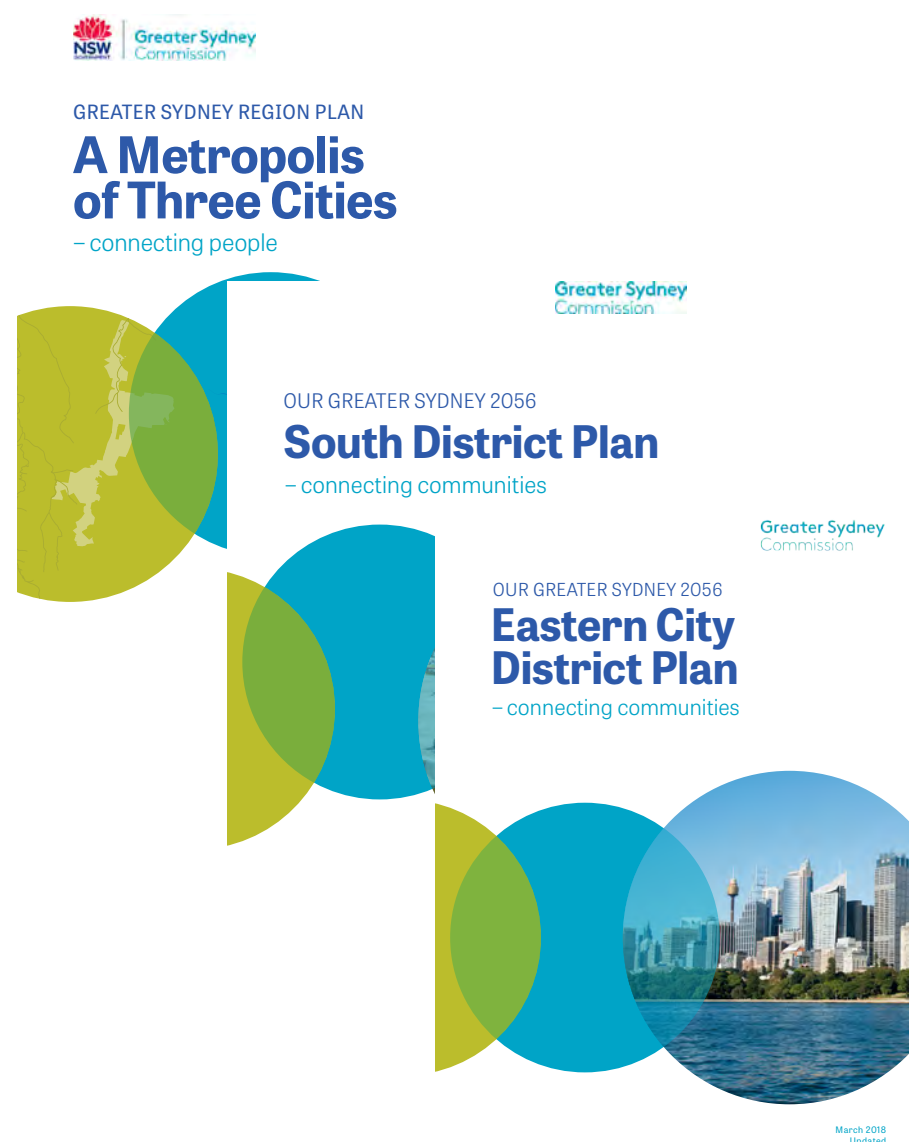
This area is one of the most culturally, socially and economically diverse communities in Sydney. It is also bound and intersected by ecological corridors and natural areas that are critical components of Greater Sydney's ecological and hydrological corridors as well as key contributors to the City's liveability and amenity. The corridors intersect many local government areas and central to this project has been the extensive involvement and collaboration from City of Canterbury Bankstown Council (CBCity), Strathfield Council, Sydney Water, Transport for New South Wales and many other stakeholders and community members.



PLANNING CONTEXT 2

STRATEGIC PLANNING CONTEXT

Region and District Plans



Greater Sydney Region Plan

The Greater Sydney Regional Plan, delivered by the Greater Sydney Commission (GSC), is a 40-year plan that sets out the vision for a “Metropolis of Three Cities” being the Eastern Harbour City (Sydney CBD), the Central River City (Parramatta) and the new Western Parkland City (Western Sydney Aerotropolis). The plan projects a population of 8 million people by 2056 and seeks to rebalance the growth, and benefits of growth, across Greater Sydney and support the 30-minute City, where residents can live within 30 minutes of their jobs, education and health facilities, services and great places.

As set out in this 40-year vision, green infrastructure such as urban tree canopy, green ground cover, bushland, waterways, parks and open spaces will be valued for its economic, social and environmental benefits and will help to establish the Greater Sydney Green Grid, a network of walking and cycling links that will become increasingly important in daily travel arrangements improving sustainability and the well-being of residents.

The District Plans contain the planning priorities and actions for implementing the Greater Sydney Region Plan, A Metropolis of Three Cities, at a district level and is a bridge between regional and local planning. All three corridors sit within both South and Eastern district and will help deliver priorities set in the Region Plan through both the District Plans.

South District Plan

The South District Plan is a 20-year plan to start implementing the 40-year vision for Greater Sydney in the Greater Sydney Region Plan and deliver places that are liveable, productive, and sustainable and supported by infrastructure. The plan reiterates the 10 Directions of the Greater Sydney Region Plan with planning priorities and actions for each district. The South District is expected to have a population of 945,350 people by 2036.

The South District Plan identifies three Green Grid priority projects, Bankstown to Sydenham Open Space Corridor, Cooks River Open Space Corridor, Wolli Creek Regional Park and Bardwell Valley Parklands.

Eastern District Plan

The Eastern City District Plan is a 20-year plan to manage growth in the context of economic, social and environmental matters to achieve the 40-year vision for Greater Sydney. It contains the planning priorities and actions for implementing the Greater Sydney Region Plan, A Metropolis of Three Cities, at a district level and is a bridge between regional and local planning.

The Eastern District Plan identifies three Green Grid priority projects; Iron Cove GreenWay and the Hawthorne Canal, Mill Stream and Botany Wetlands Open Space Corridor, and Cooks River Open Space Corridor.

Sydney Green Grid

A specific objective of both District Plans is to support delivery of the Sydney Green Grid to protect and provide open space and areas of biodiversity, particularly as housing density increases. GANSW proposed a network of high-quality green space that connects town centres, public transport hubs and major residential areas. Known as the Sydney Green Grid, it is an integral part of delivering the public benefit embedded in the Greater Sydney Region and Districts.

All three corridors investigated by Canterbury-Bankstown (Cooks River, Wolli Creek and Sydenham-Bankstown) can facilitate opportunities to increase tree canopy, improve accessibility, nurture habitat and enhance water quality within future projects. Specific opportunities identified for the corridors include:

- Planting trees to improve air quality and mitigate the urban heat island effect
- Creating and improving pedestrian and cyclist friendly environments
- Enhance the biodiversity and ecology through extending habitat areas and improving water quality

These opportunities associated with the ecological, hydrological and recreational grid can be realised through the Corridor Plans.

Green Infrastructure Policy

The Department of Planning and Environment and GANSW Greener Places draft policy sets an expectation for planning, design and delivery of green infrastructure in urban areas across NSW. The aim of the policy is to create a healthier, more liveable, more resilient and sustainable urban environment by improving community access to recreation and exercise, walking and cycling connections. It is about the creation of a networked urban ecosystem of green space that encompasses parks and open spaces including urban trees, streets, squares and waterways to help create a healthier, more liveable and resilient place to live.

The principles of integration, connectivity, multi-functionality and participation can be found embedded in the concepts for all three corridors, which further aligns the opportunity with Sydney's existing and developing urban policy framework.

CBCity 2028 Community Strategic Plan

A 10 year Community Strategic Plan that identifies seven Destinations for our future City. Goals relevant to improving open space relate to being 'Clean and Green; 'Moving and Integrated' and 'Healthy and Active'.

Pathways include:

- A clean and sustainable city with healthy waterways and natural areas
- Protect and promote local biodiversity
- Promote accessible parks and open spaces catering to all ages and cultures.

Connective City 2036 Local Strategic Planning Statement

A 20 year plan for land use and managing change into the future. Bankstown and Campsie are expected to grow as strategic centres. The plan identifies Cooks River Corridor as a part of City's Green Web to create an integrated network of ecological and green spaces between urban and suburban places.

Actions include -

- Advocate for an enhanced green corridor link along the Metro Corridor that connects wildlife habitats and ecological communities from the Cooks River
- Deliver the priorities of Council's existing policies in alignment with green web and active transport priorities
- Continue to identify and plan for new and improved public spaces to support residents, workers and visitors in priority growth areas



Sydney Green Grid



Green Infrastructure Policy



CBCity 2028 Community Strategic Plan



Connective City 2036 Local Strategic Planning Statement

STAKEHOLDER AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT 3

WHAT WE'VE HEARD - SYDENHAM TO BANKSTOWN

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

A stakeholder workshop for the Sydenham to Bankstown Corridor was held online in April 2021. Various stakeholders attended including Inner West Council, National Parks and Wildlife Service, Sydney Water, TfNSW, Sydney Metro and the Cooks River Alliance.

Some of the key points to come out of the discussion were:

Connectivity

- Major active transport corridor – cycle improvements need to be delivered as part of the Sydney Metro project. There will be a combination of off-road and on-road treatments; this corridor is 30 minutes from the city for commuters
- Connections to the corridor - gaps within the North and South links to this corridor need to be filled; ensure the GreenWay connects well with this corridor
- Supportive cycle infrastructure is needed – water stations, bike repair stations, cycle parking, etc
- Safety – need to provide safe road crossings; need to consider night time safety of commuters
- Micro mobility – opportunity for micro mobility that is not only walking and cycling; could be provided as a service
- Place – need to consider not only movement but also place; opportunities for active frontages, local businesses, food and beverage, etc.; new public plazas being built in Dulwich Hill and Campsie

Recreation and Open Space

- Increase open space – potential to use underutilised rail corridor space for active and passive recreation; opportunities at Belmore, Dulwich Hill and other stations for additional open space around the station precinct
- Open space amenity – opportunities to strengthen parks and open space amenity and facilities
- Recycled water – opportunities to provide water for greening purposes that could be part of the placemaking; look for opportunities to collect and retain water throughout the corridor; opportunity for an integrated water approach
- Flood mitigation – potential for some parks to be used for flood mitigation; flooding issues at Bankstown, Sydenham and Wiley Park stations
- Underutilised parks – several parks not used by the community, i.e. Lakemba; illegal dumping an issue
- Tree canopy – current lack of urban tree canopy; look for opportunities to provide more shade
- Environmental quality – need to consider environmental improvement; consider climate resilience
- Ecology – look to provide continuous ecological elements along the corridor for flora and fauna; ecological connectivity with the GreenWay environmental corridor

Culture and Heritage

- Culturally diverse corridor – opportunity to provide spaces for community groups that recognises diversity; opportunities to provide places for cultural activities
- Reveal the culture – highlight the multicultural communities along the corridor; provide/safeguard the identity of places for local communities
- Food culture and night time economy – attracts visitors and activate places

As TfNSW are key stakeholders, the following key considerations have been noted.

Key considerations from TfNSW

Connectivity

Local network connectivity - It is important to consider the width of paths to cater for cyclists to ride a bike along the corridor. There is potential to link the current cycle network to other cycle paths in the area

Broader network connectivity - There is opportunity for TfNSW, Metro and Councils to deliver a cycle and pedestrian corridor. Consideration for a focus on the connectivity network for pedestrians. There are opportunities to implement crossings across state roads and improve connectivity to the GreenWay

Place

Activation -here is potential to include local businesses in activating the frontage and creating attractors along the corridor. There is also opportunity for community gardens to be introduced along areas of the corridor to create a better sense of place

Safety- There are some sections along the corridor that attract antisocial behaviour and design solutions should be considered to reduce this e.g in the existing narrow paths along the railway line

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

In collaboration with

JOCCONSULTING

creative urban planners

The Green Corridors Community Survey was undertaken between April and May 2021 by JOC Consulting. 176 participants undertook the survey. Even though the survey covered all three corridors, the questions led participants to provide responses for individual corridors.

For the Sydenham to Bankstown Corridor, the top three priorities that resulted from the survey were:

- Encourage sustainable transport connections and promote safe walking and cycling access
- Conserve and enhance the natural environment /Enhance amenity and comfort through improving air quality and increase urban greening
- Restore natural river processes, aquatic habitats and improve water quality

Figure 3.1 shows all the priorities from the survey.

Protecting the natural environment came through strongly in regard to tree canopy and greenery. Participants recognised that green areas within the corridor will become increasingly important in providing natural heritage, local fauna habitats, and cooling properties to minimise urban heat. Many participants noted that tree canopy cover and natural shade is in need of improvement along the corridor.

When asked what kinds of activities and uses did the participants want to see along the corridor, the top three answers were:

1. Cycle paths
2. Walking paths
3. Nature regeneration

Figure 3.2 shows the activities and uses from the survey.

“The Sydenham-Bankstown rail corridor connects places and communities between stations.”

- Responses from the MGP Community survey

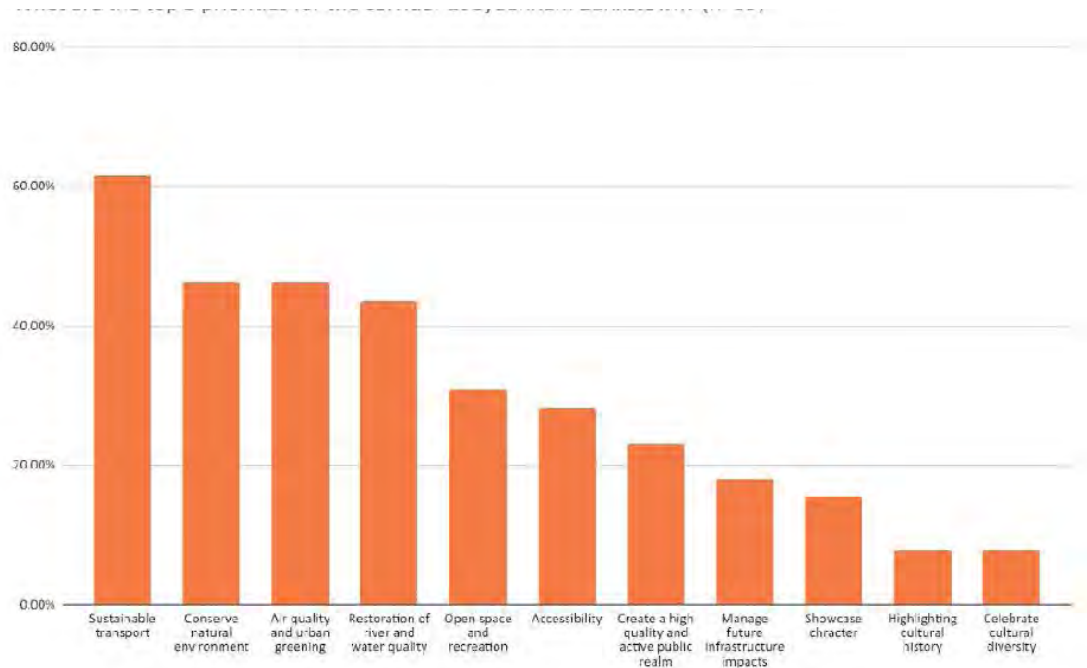


Figure 3.1 Priorities from the Community Engagement Survey

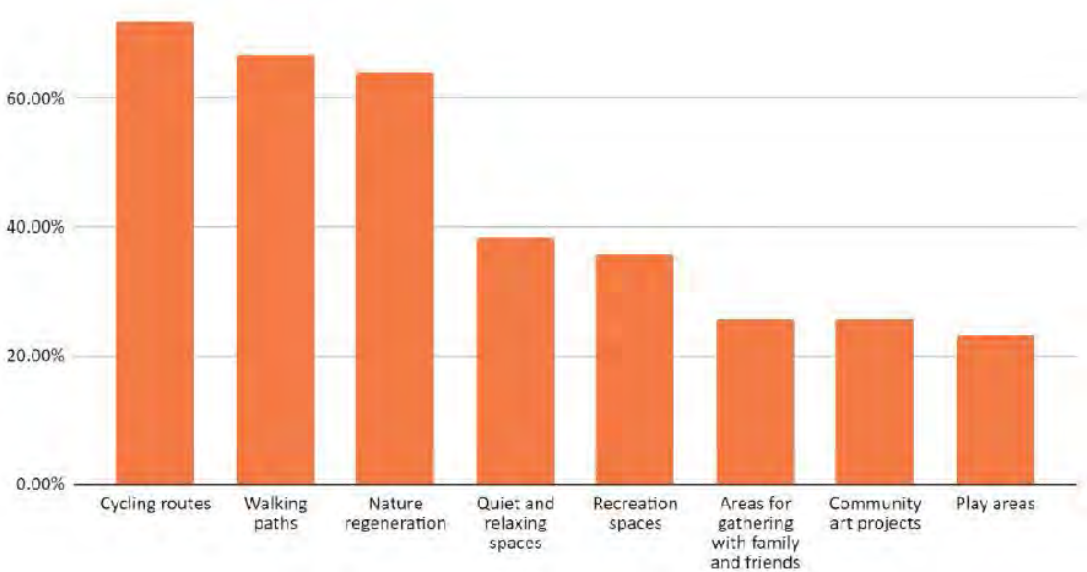


Figure 3.2 Activities and Uses findings from the Community Engagement Survey

When asked if participants use the corridor to get to the train station (including why/why not), the answers included:

- Yes, the Sydenham-Bankstown Corridor connects places communities between stations
- No, dark at night and exposed to high levels of sunlight during the day
- Sometimes, to get to Canterbury, Campsie and Belmore stations. However, most of the time it is merely out of convenience, otherwise I would not go out of my way to use the corridor, since there's 'nothing' there, no attractions, no sports facilities, very few tall trees, and little scenery. In other words, it is not special and there are other more appealing walkways elsewhere
- Getting to Bankstown from Greenacre is easy by car or public transport, but the existing cycling infrastructure is inadequate
- No. It is disjointed and not really a corridor yet, the railway land needs to be unlocked to tie it together

Participants prioritised improved walking and cycling paths to better support active transport for both commuting and recreational purposes. Residents desired better cycleways throughout the corridor especially around train stations where existing tree coverage is low. Campsie was commonly mentioned as a key area along the Sydenham-Bankstown corridor in need of improvement, as the train station has poor cycle access. Connections from here to Punchbowl, Bankstown and Lakemba were also desired.

When asked where along the corridor are improvements needed the most (and why), the answers included:

- The lighting, wayfinding signage, pedestrian and cycling infrastructure are needed
- Areas with low levels of tree coverage - high risk of UV exposure
- Many things are needed - there needs to be denser urban canopy, active and passive sports such as ping pong tables or basketball courts, a skate park, water stations, more gardens, more peaceful hidden spaces, public art and better signage to highlight the corridor
- The further the corridor goes west, the less open space there is, this actively discourages visitors and locals alike
- Campsie Station has poor cycle access and no continuous cycle route along the train line
- All along, we need more trees, natural fauna and waking paths to connect
- We need well-lit walking paths, water bottle filling stations, trees planted and park spaces

Key ideas to improve amenities and social spaces include:

- Frequent water stations
- Well-lit walking paths such as solar lighting
- Accessible, unlocked public toilets
- Bike pump tracks
- Comfortable seating for rest
- Off-leash dog exercise areas
- Better signage and wayfinding
- Shade cloths/sails over playgrounds
- Additional rubbish bins



Photo: Bankstown

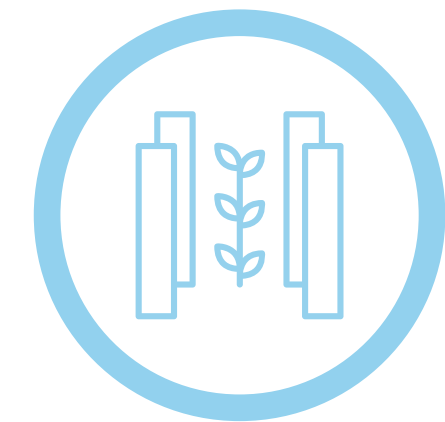
VISION 4

VISION AND OBJECTIVES

The themes from the Green Grid have been used to shape the vision and objectives for the corridor along with community consultation.

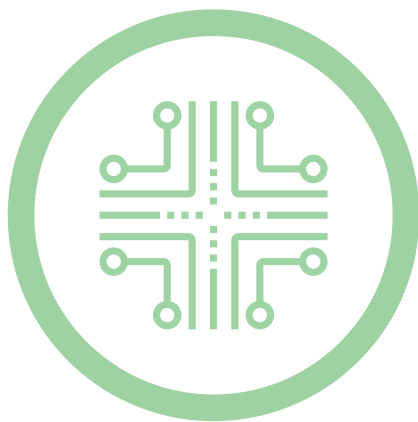
To encourage connectivity along the Sydenham to Bankstown Corridor for people, water and ecology

Objectives



**CREATE MULTI-FUNCTIONAL
INTEGRATION OF GREY GREEN
INFRASTRUCTURE**

- Capture runoff for passive irrigation and biofiltration to improve water quality
- Future proof corridor for future service and utility infrastructure
- Use a variety of water sensitive urban design tools (WSUD) to capture, convey and filter water



**IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES FOR
GREEN STRATEGIC ACTIVE
TRAVEL LINKAGES**

- Identify missing links along and across the corridor where walking and cycling pathways can improve connectivity
- Identify key commuter routes to transport nodes and opportunities for end of trip facilities
- Support various abilities of walking, cycling and micro-mobility to create safe connectivity for all users



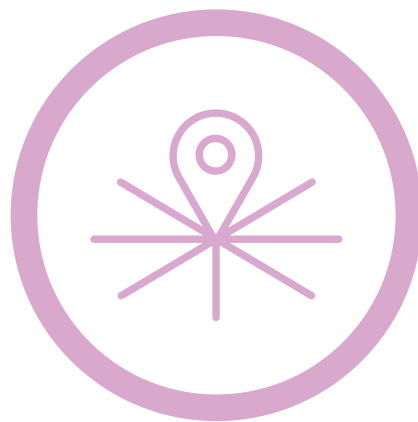
**USE REGENERATIVE DESIGN
PRINCIPLES TO IMPLEMENT
URBAN BIODIVERSITY**

- Promote ecological connectivity along the corridor with pockets of endemic plant species
- Create climate adaptive environments through providing canopy coverage and shade to delay midday
- Create insect and fauna pathways through structured habitat planting and native beehives to promote pollination



**PROMOTE A SAFE AND
COMFORTABLE EXPERIENCE
ALONG THE LENGTH OF THE
CORRIDOR**

- Implement CPTED principles and lighting for safe linkages and spaces along the length of the corridor
- Create spaces for all ages through the provision of facilities, furniture and play elements
- Develop a consistent wayfinding strategy for the corridor to create an easy and legible user experience



**IMPROVE UNDER-UTILISED
SPACES THROUGH ACTIVATION
AND PLACEMAKING**

- Create pocket parks and plaza for temporary activation and occupation
- Explore opportunities to support local and night time economy through allowing businesses to have frontages on the corridor
- Develop ways to use small and fragmented spaces for placemaking



Photo: Tasker Park Playground

CORRIDOR PLAN 5

PROJECTS OVERVIEW

To achieve the Sydenham to Bankstown vision and objectives a list of interventions have been identified across the corridor. Clustering of these interventions have then formed the priority list of potential projects. The project objectives that apply to each intervention have been identified with the corresponding coloured dot. Each project is described in more detail in the following pages.

1 Multi-Storey Vegetation

Multi-storey vegetation of shrubs, plants and mature trees provide an ecosystem of habitats for insects, reptiles, birds and marsupials whilst also decreasing urban heat islands and reducing the risk of localised flooding.

2 Naturalisation

In collaboration with Sydney Water explore naturalisation opportunities contributing to water catchment health, flood mitigation, strengthens biodiversity and assists in mitigating impacts of urban heat islands.

3 Biodiversity Trail

Create a flora and fauna walking and cycling trail (linear park) to promote urban biodiversity. This could be implemented through planting of multi-storey vegetation or providing man made habitat (bird and possum boxes) to re-introduce wildlife back into the city. This could be accompanied by interpretive signage, information boards or artistic installations e.g. sound installations to increase awareness. e.g. Siding Park, Dorothy Reserve and along Broadway.

4 Celebrate The Local

Celebrate the unique character and offerings of each suburb by improving wayfinding to attractions and destinations, and provide opportunities for storytelling. This could be implemented through signage or information boards at stations, art installations or digital technology.

5 Extend Middyay

Provide tree canopy cover along the active transport route. Where planting of mature trees is not feasible provide shading structures. These could be designed in collaboration with local artists and could reflect the diverse cultural groups at various locations along the corridor.

6 Extend The Day For Play

Investigate opportunities to provide lighting to improve safety, assist in defining spaces and uses to facilitate twilight and night activity. These could include artistic installations - competitions to engage with local artists and communities. e.g. Harold Street pocket Park.

7 Amenity

Improve amenity at existing parks to increase land use efficiency, encourage diverse users by providing seating, shelter, lighting, play and exercise equipment to enhance community sense of pride and ownership.

8 Strategic Linkages

Strengthen links to community hubs and destinations including Western Sydney University, Lakemba and north-south connections to adjacent recreation corridors as well as to/ from schools to enable safe movement of groups that are more vulnerable (i.e. children and seniors). This can facilitate the shared uses of school infrastructure such as sporting fields or to accommodate community events such as weekend markets e.g. Punchbowl Boys High School, Wiley Park Girls High School and Public School, Campsie Public School.

9 Walking and Cycling

Provide diverse, innovative and context responsive, quality environments with a focus on inclusive user experience - 3m bi-directional cycleways, lighting, shade, clear signage and wayfinding. Areas along the corridor will require collaboration with TfNSW and Sydney Metro.

10 Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge

Provide pedestrian and cycling connections where missing to improve safety and ease of movement along the corridor.


11 WSUD (Water Sensitive Urban Design)


Strengthen water sensitive urban design initiatives to slow down water run off to improve waterway health, particularly in areas adjacent the corridor at higher topographical levels.


These could include increase in vegetation and permeable ground cover, rain gardens and swales.


12 Sustainable Energy


Explore opportunities for energy capture, particularly at sporting fields and parks, to provide energy for light at night. Opportunities to collaborate with local universities and institutions as a testing ground for innovation and the implementation of new technologies.

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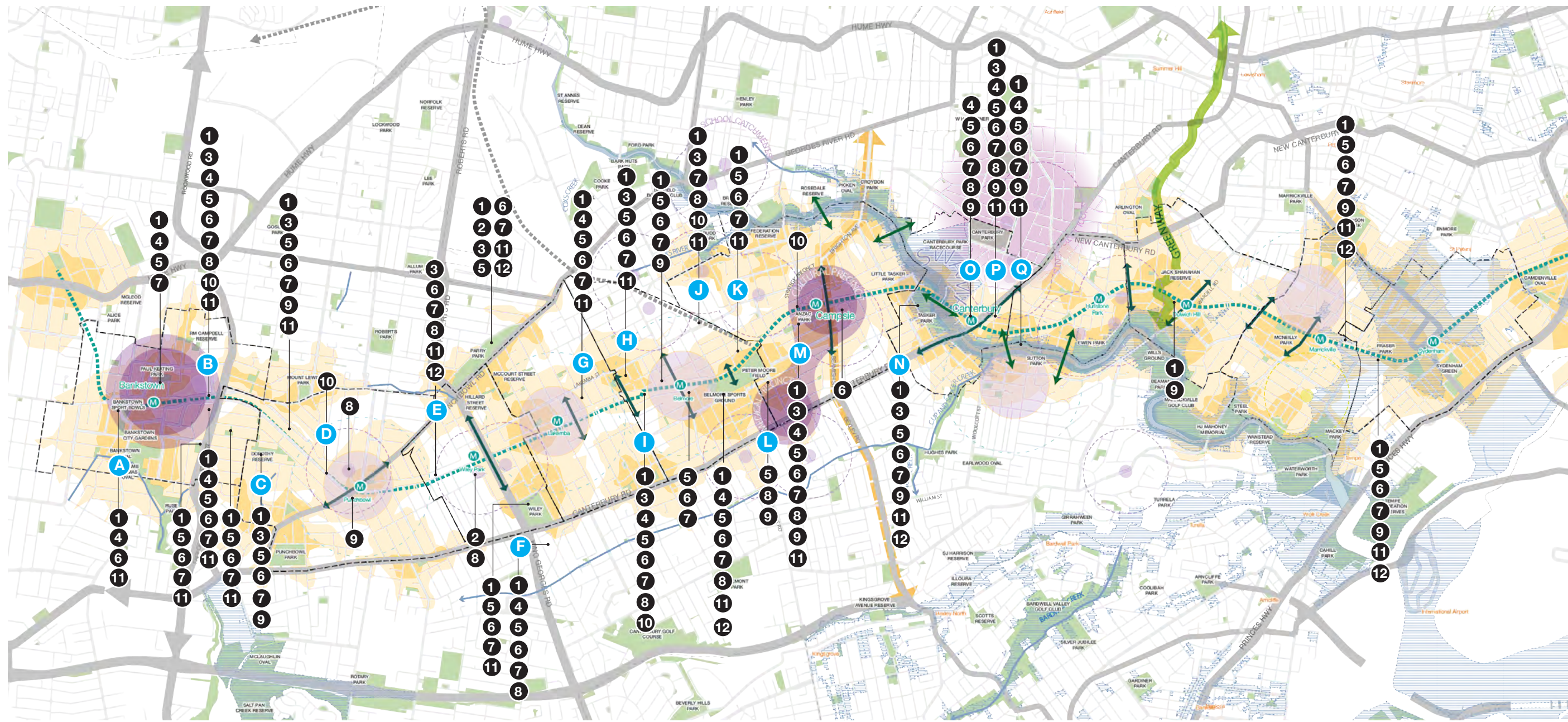


Figure: Sydenham to Bankstown Project Priority List and Interventions Map



PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS



A. Griffith Park

Policy Alignment: Bankstown Masterplan (CBC - draft)*, Playground and Play Spaces Strategic Plan (CBC)*, Open Space Strategy (CBC), Bankstown Complete Streets (CBC)*

- Provide a new signalised/raised pedestrian crossing at the Olympic Parade and Dale Parade intersection
- Provide play amenity for all age groups, including seniors and all abilities to cater for the future high density residential neighbourhood
- Develop spaces and upgrade park amenities to facilitate street food markets and culture events with neighbouring Arts Centre and Saigon Place along Dale Parade and Olympic Parade
- Expand Griffith Park to become a new accessible neighbourhood park aligned with the Bankstown Masterplan
- Implement high priorities from Griffith Park Masterplan upon adoption.



B + E. Linear Park

Policy Alignment: Sydenham to Bankstown Urban Renewal Corridor Strategy (NSW DPIE), Sydenham to Bankstown Walking and Cycling Strategy (in development), CBC Community Strategic Plan 2028, Connective City 2036 (CBC), Sydney Green Grid, Playground and Play Spaces Strategic Plan (CBC), Creative City Strategic Plan 2019-2029 (CBC), Active Transport Action Plan (CBC), Bankstown Complete Streets, Premier's Priority: Greening our city and Greener Public Spaces

- In collaboration with Sydney Metro (TfNSW) explore opportunities to create dedicated cycle lanes or shared paths adjacent the Metro corridor, and provide wayfinding and signage for better pedestrian, cycle and public transport connections
- Increase tree canopy coverage and provide nature strip planting to improve environment performance and habitat creation. Habitat creation could also be provided through man made “insect hotels” or bird boxes
- In collaboration with Sydney Metro and TfNSW provide a diverse mix of active and passive recreational spaces including children’s play spaces, water play and exercise equipment

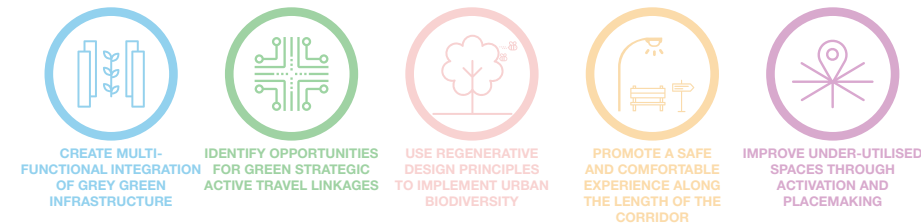


C. Dorothy Reserve

Policy Alignment: Sydenham to Bankstown Urban Renewal Corridor Strategy (NSW DPIE), Sydenham to Bankstown Walking and Cycling Strategy (in development), CBC Community Strategic Plan 2028, Connective City 2036 (CBC), Sydney Green Grid, Playground and Play Spaces Strategic Plan (CBC), Creative City Strategic Plan 2019-2029 (CBC), Active Transport Action Plan (CBC)

- Increase mature canopy cover and multi-storey vegetation of shrubs to enhance local amenity and character and create habitats
- Explore opportunities under overhead wire to integrate WSUD initiative such as rain gardens, wetlands and strategic planting of vegetation
- Investigate opportunities to provide inclusive shared path and lighting to improve safety, assist in defining spaces and uses to facilitate twilight and night activity
- Investigate opportunities to provide a diverse mix of recreation spaces and amenity e.g. lighting, seating, perimeter running track, public art or community gardens
- Collaborate with local artists, youth groups or community groups to create public art installations. This will assist in fostering a sense of pride and ownership within the local community.

Note: * Denotes project is directly referenced in policy/strategy report. Aerials are not to scale (adapted from sixmaps.nsw.gov).



D. Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge between South Terrace and Kelly Street

Policy Alignment: Active Transport Action Plan (CBC), Connective City 2036 (CBC), Sydenham to Bankstown Urban Renewal Corridor Strategy (NSW DPIE), Sydenham to Bankstown Walking and Cycling Strategy (in development)

- In collaboration with Sydney Metro and TfNSW explore opportunities for a pedestrian and cycle bridge over the rail corridor, connecting into Blanch Barkl Reserve/Punchbowl Boys High School
- In collaboration with NSW Department of Education, explore opportunities to facilitate shared use of Punchbowl Boys High School sporting and recreation facilities on weekends and during the evenings.



I. Linear Park - Lakemba to Campsie/Cooks River

Policy Alignment: Sydenham to Bankstown Urban Renewal Corridor Strategy (NSW DPIE), Sydenham to Bankstown Walking and Cycling Strategy (in development), CBC Community Strategic Plan 2028, Connective City 2036 (CBC), Sydney Green Grid, Playground and Play Spaces Strategic Plan (CBC), Creative City Strategic Plan 2019-2029 (CBC), Active Transport Action Plan (CBC)

- In collaboration with Sydney Metro (TfNSW) explore opportunities to create dedicated cycle lanes or shared paths adjacent the Metro corridor, and provide wayfinding and signage for better pedestrian, cycle and public transport connections
- Increase tree canopy coverage and provide nature strip planting to improve environmental performance and habitat creation. Habitat creation could also be provided through man made “insect hotels” or bird boxes
- Investigate opportunities to provide a diverse mix of active and passive recreational spaces including children’s play spaces, water play and exercise equipment
- Explore opportunities to locate WSUD and integrated blue, green, grey infrastructure
- Connect the design and experience with the local character of streets and open space to help create a memorable experience for pedestrians and cyclists from Lakemba, Belmore and Campsie.



F. Wiley Park Reservoir

Policy Alignment: Wiley Park Landscape Masterplan (CBC - draft)

- In collaboration with Sydney Water explore opportunities to celebrate the heritage of the 1929 Wiley Park Reservoir
- Strategic landscaping and planting could facilitate the removal of fencing and increase accessibility to the silo (corner of Nicoll Street and Canary Road)
- Increase mature canopy cover and amenity including seating, shade and footpaths
- Explore opportunities to reduce Canarys Road carriageway or to close the road and convert into open space and recreation use.



H. Peel Park

Policy Alignment: Open Space Strategy (CBC)

- Enhance Peel Park by providing improved and diverse amenity including shaded seating, picnic areas and lighting
- Integrate WSUD initiatives such as rain gardens and swales.

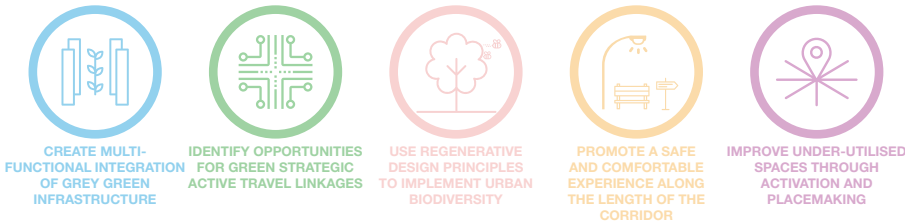


J. Linear Park - freight line

Policy Alignment: Sydenham to Bankstown Urban Renewal Corridor Strategy (NSW DPIE), Sydenham to Bankstown Walking and Cycling Strategy (in development), CBC Community Strategic Plan 2028, Connective City 2036 (CBC), Sydney Green Grid, Playground and Play Spaces Strategic Plan (CBC), Creative City Strategic Plan 2019-2029 (CBC), Active Transport Action Plan (CBC)

- In collaboration with TfNSW explore opportunities to create a dedicated cycleway along the freight corridor. This would incorporate wayfinding, canopy cover and lighting
- Explore opportunities to locate WSUD and integrated blue, green, grey infrastructure.

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K. Lark Street Park

Policy Alignment: Campsie Masterplan (CBC - draft), Playgrounds and Play Spaces, Strategic Masterplan (CBC), Metro West Campsie Station Design and Precinct Plan

- In collaboration with TfNSW explore opportunities to transform underutilised land adjacent Lark Street Park into publicly accessible open space. This could include sports amenity or nature play with increased native planting
- Explore opportunities to provide integrated water management solutions.



L. Thorncraft Parade

Policy Alignment: Belmore Sports and Recreation Precinct Draft Masterplan 2018

- Promote Thorncraft Parade as a primary walking and cycling link to the Belmore Sports and Recreation Precinct by enhancing the environmental performance and the walking and cycling experience of the street. This can be achieved by opportunities such as:
 - safe, well lit separated cycle lanes at a minimum of 1.5m (one-way), or a shared pedestrian and cycle path at a minimum of 2m
 - increased multi-storey vegetation and tree canopy to improve visual amenity, providing cooling benefits, habitats and contribute to water management
 - implementation of swales or rain gardens
 - wayfinding and signage.



M. Carrington Square/ANZAC Park

Policy Alignment: Campsie Masterplan (CBC)*, Playgrounds and Play Spaces Strategic Masterplan (CBC)*, Metro West Campsie Station Design and Precinct Plan*, Complete Streets*

- In collaboration improve Dewar Street as a key north-south connection linking into the future Metro unpaid overpass. This could be achieved through lighting, increase tree canopy and safe and comfortable pedestrian and cycleways

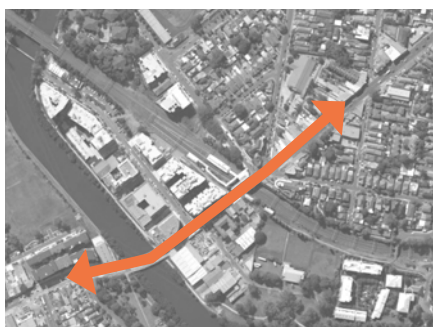


N. Tasker Park

Policy Alignment: Campsie Masterplan (CBC)*, Playgrounds and Play Spaces Strategic Masterplan (CBC)*, Leisure and Aquatics Strategy (CBC)*, Sports Facilities Strategic Plan (CBC - draft), Complete Streets (CBC), East West Cycle Link (Sydney Metro)*, Premier's Priority: Greening Our City

- Diversify uses to include recreation and play for all age groups, including seniors, and people of all abilities such as exercise equipment.
- Co-ordinate with the Canterbury Leisure and Aquatic Centre to investigate opportunities to provide an integrated sports and recreation destination (public and private) along the corridor
- Investigate opportunities to provide a formal pedestrian footpath along the river bank and through the park coupled with shade and lighting
- Enable renewable energy capture to power park facilities and lighting to encourage use throughout the day
- Design recreation and sporting amenity to capture and store water in the event of heavy rain. Strategic planting and placement of water basins would also assist in flood mitigation
- Increase tree canopy and strategic planting of multi-storey shrubs along the waters edge to provide shade and foraging opportunities for wildlife; contribute to flood mitigation and; provide a buffer to residents on Clunes Lane
- In collaboration with Sydney Water investigate opportunities to naturalise with river and plant new mangrove communities providing habitat, contributing to waterway health and flood mitigation
- In collaboration with Sydney Metro replace Cooks River Walk Bridge to enable safe and comfortable pedestrian and cycle movement - including junctions at either end.

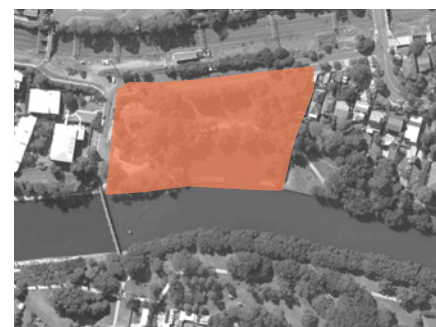
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O. Canterbury Station

Policy Alignment: Sydney Metro, CBC Community Strategic Plan 2028, Connective City 2036 (CBC), Creative City Strategic Plan 2019-2029 (CBC), Active Transport Action Plan (CBC)

- Investigate opportunities to provide shade structures to improve pedestrian experience over Canterbury Road bridge. Design could reference the natural landscape and provide a visual link across the bridge.
- Investigate to increase Canterbury Road and Broughton Street underpass width to a minimum of 3m to allow safe and comfortable bi-directional.
- Improve wayfinding to/from Canterbury Station (approximately 150m from River) and mark corridor entrance west of Canterbury Road to the Sugar House Road.
- In collaboration with Sydney Metro explore opportunities to provide an active transport corridor south of the rail line from Canterbury Road to the pedestrian rail overpass.



Q. Boat Harbour Heritage Precinct

Policy Alignment: Creative City Strategic Plan (CBC), CBC Community Strategic Plan 2028, Canterbury Leisure and Aquatic Strategy (CBC), Playgrounds and Play Spaces Strategic Plan (CBC)

- Celebrate and promote Canterbury Sugar Works and the Boat Harbour as a heritage precinct and destination along the River.
- Explore opportunities to utilise the Boat Harbour for ecological restoration and providing habitat.
- Explore opportunities to provide a pontoon or board-walk to facilitate greater interaction with the water.
- Install public art referencing the adjacent heritage Sugar Works along the river bank.
- Investigate opportunities to provide seating, shade and lighting to enable people to stop and dwell.



P. Canterbury Bowling Club

Policy Alignment: Sydney Metro, CBC Community Strategic Plan 2028, Connective City 2036 (CBC), Creative City Strategic Plan 2019-2029 (CBC)Active Transport Action Plan (CBC)

- Investigate to relocate the existing waterfront dog park located to the Canterbury Bowling Club site to increase access and views to the river.
- Investigate opportunities to provide diverse range of play spaces and basic amenity such as lighting, seating, shade, bike pumping station and water filling station.
- Install public art to celebrate the heritage of adjacent sites including the Sugar Works, this could be done through a public competition to facilitate community engagement.
- In collaboration with Sydney Metro explore opportunities for a cycle path along the rail corridor to the south and connecting into the Cooks River cycleway.
- In collaboration with Sydney Metro explore opportunities to integrate blue and grey infrastructure for flood mitigation and waterway health.



Photo: Tasker Park Playground