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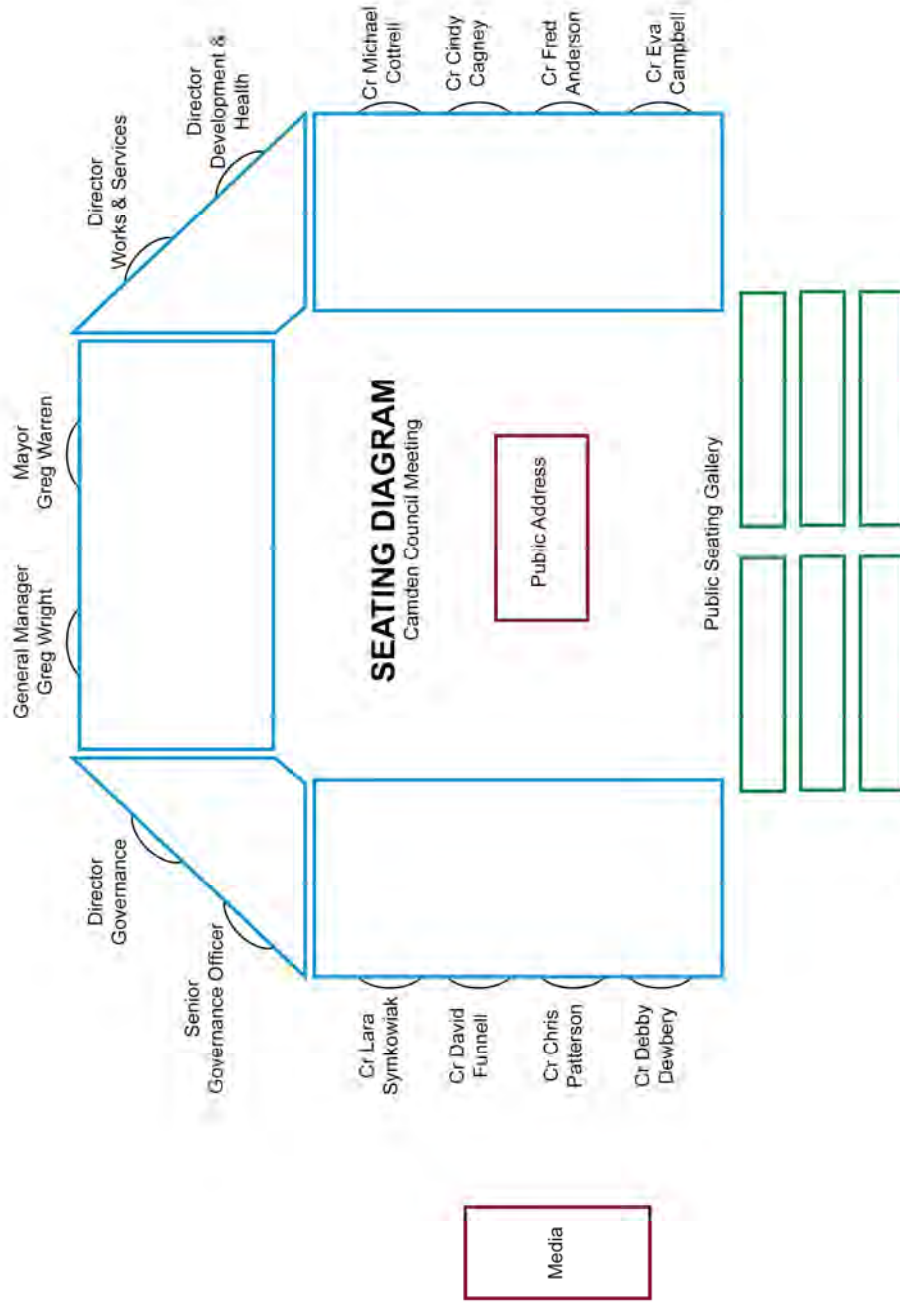
Ordinary Council Meeting
12 June 2012

Camden Civic Centre
Oxley Street
Camden



COMMON ABBREVIATIONS

AEP	Annual Exceedence Probability
AHD	Australian Height Datum
BCA	Building Code of Australia
CLEP	Camden Local Environmental Plan
CP	Contributions Plan
DA	Development Application
DECCW	Department of Environment, Climate Change & Water
DCP	Development Control Plan
DDCP	Draft Development Control Plan
DPI	Department of Planning & Infrastructure
DLG	Division of Local Government, Department of Premier & Cabinet
DWE	Department of Water and Energy
DoH	Department of Housing
DoT	NSW Department of Transport
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EP&A Act	Environmental Planning & Assessment Act
EPA	Environmental Protection Authority
EPI	Environmental Planning Instrument
FPL	Flood Planning Level
GCC	Growth Centres Commission
LAP	Local Approvals Policy
LEP	Local Environmental Plan
LGA	Local Government Area
MACROC	Macarthur Regional Organisation of Councils
OSD	Onsite Detention
REP	Regional Environmental Plan
PoM	Plan of Management
RL	Reduced Levels
RMS	Roads & Maritime Services (incorporating previous Roads & Traffic Authority)
SECTION 149 CERTIFICATE	Certificate as to zoning and planning restrictions on properties
SECTION 603 CERTIFICATE	Certificate as to Rates and Charges outstanding on a property
SECTION 73 CERTIFICATE	Certificate from Sydney Water regarding Subdivision
SEPP	State Environmental Planning Policy
SRA	State Rail Authority
SREP	Sydney Regional Environmental Plan
STP	Sewerage Treatment Plant
VMP	Vegetation Management Plan
WSROC	Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils



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SUBJECT: RECORDING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

In accordance with Camden Council's Code of Meeting Practice and as permitted under the Local Government Act this meeting is being audio recorded by Council staff for minute taking purposes.



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SUBJECT: APOLOGIES

Leave of absence tendered on behalf of Councillors from this meeting.

RECOMMENDED

That leave of absence be granted.



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SUBJECT: DECLARATION OF INTEREST

NSW legislation provides strict guidelines for the disclosure of pecuniary and non-pecuniary Conflicts of Interest and Political Donations.

Council's Code of Conduct also deals with pecuniary and non-pecuniary conflict of interest and Political Donations and how to manage these issues (Clauses 7.5 -7.27).

Councillors should be familiar with the disclosure provisions contained in the Local Government Act 1993, Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 and the Council's Code of Conduct.

This report provides an opportunity for Councillors to disclose any interest that they may have or Political Donation they may have received relating to a Report contained in the Council Business Paper and to declare the nature of that interest.

RECOMMENDED

That the declarations be noted.



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SUBJECT: PUBLIC ADDRESSES

The Public Address segment (incorporating Public Question Time) in the Council Meeting provides an opportunity for people to speak publicly on any item on Council's Business Paper agenda or on any matter within the Local Government area which falls within Council jurisdiction.

Speakers must book in with the Council office by 4.00pm on the day of the meeting and must advise the topic being raised. Only seven (7) speakers can be heard at any meeting. A limitation of one (1) speaker for and one (1) speaker against on each item is in place. Additional speakers, either for or against, will be identified as 'tentative speakers' and should only be considered where the total number of speakers does not exceed seven (7) at any given meeting.

Where a member of the public raises a question during the Public Address segment, a response will be provided where Councillors or staff have the necessary information at hand; if not a reply will be provided at a later time. There is a limit of one (1) question per speaker per meeting.

All speakers are limited to 4 minutes, with a 1 minute warning given to speakers prior to the 4 minute time period elapsing.

Public Addresses are recorded for administrative purposes. It should be noted that speakers at Council meetings do not enjoy any protection from parliamentary-style privilege. Therefore they are subject to the risk of defamation action if they make comments about individuals. In the event that a speaker makes potentially offensive or defamatory remarks about any person, the Mayor/Chairperson will ask them to refrain from such comments.

The Mayor/Chairperson has the discretion to withdraw the privilege to speak where a speaker continues to make inappropriate or offensive comments about another person.

RECOMMENDED

That the public addresses be noted.



ORDINARY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Confirm and adopt Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 22 May 2012 and the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee meeting held 15 May 2012

RECOMMENDED

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 22 May 2012 and the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee meeting held 15 May 2012, copies of which have been circulated, be confirmed and adopted.



ORDINARY COUNCIL

ORD01

ORD01

SUBJECT: JOHN OXLEY BICENTENARY
FROM: Director Works & Services
BINDER: John Oxley Bicentenary

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To seek direction from Council on a request to commemorate the bicentenary of John Oxley's appointment as New South Wales' third Surveyor General. John Oxley has a close affiliation with the Camden LGA through a land grant which he named "Kirkham Farm" after his birthplace in England.

BACKGROUND

Council has been approached by a member of the Historical Society to consider an appropriate way to commemorate John Oxley's anniversary through improvements at John Oxley Reserve, Harrington Park. The reserve is a large tract of land including a prominent ridgeline. An entry point, off Macquarie Grove Rd, has been formalised including the park name and parking. However, no other improvements have been made to date. The reserve is predominantly grassland and is maintained as such.

Consideration could be given to provide some interpretative signage and possibly a figure silhouette to commemorate the bicentenary milestone in 2012, to complement the activities programmed by the Historical Society.

MAIN REPORT

The Historical Society has programmed its October meeting for a presentation of the life of John Oxley and will also be setting up a display with the assistance of the Library to commemorate Oxley's bicentenary. Oxley arrived in Sydney as Surveyor General on 25 October, 1812 and settled on his land grant at Kirkham.

From this time on, John Oxley was involved in exploration of inland NSW, voyages up and down the coast seeking places for new settlements, various agricultural and business interests, charitable groups and was a director of the Bank of New South Wales and the Bank of Australia. He was also a member of the first New South Wales Legislative Council in 1824.

John Oxley Reserve, named after him, is a significant and prominent reserve that currently is not conducive for public access. The reserve is proposed to be extended to the north to link with the western extension of Harrington Park residential development. No master planning has yet been done for the reserve to date. However, such work can be placed on a list of tasks for future work plans. A weed eradication plan can also be included in the overall weed eradication schedule which could improve the area.

Given the limited time available before the bicentenary of his taking up the role of Surveyor General, any support or actions that Council can undertake are restricted. The most visible and lasting action is that of installing an appropriate feature at the entrance to the reserve. One option is the addition of interpretative signage at the entrance together with a silhouette of a similarly styled metal cut-out to that which will

be featured in the proposed walking track system which forms the development of Harrington Park west of The Northern Road and south of Cobbitty Road. An example of the type of metal cut-out is included in **Attachment A**. The proposed signage/silhouette is not considered to significantly add to the cost of maintenance of the site.

The enhancement of the entrance to the reserve reflects the Community Strategic Plan outcome related to Key Direction – A Prosperous Economy which includes the Local Services of supporting tourism and management of significant places.

Funds of approximately \$3,500 have been identified as available in the Community Services Budget in the 2011/12 financial year, which could be utilised towards the development of the interpretation and signage, and assist with potential grant applications. An indicative cost estimate has been received that it may be feasible to supply and install an approximate 1 metre high silhouette for \$3,000 plus GST.

CONCLUSION

The provision of interpretative signage and artwork at John Oxley Reserve will be a positive contribution to the local community, adding to the community's understanding and appreciation of an aspect of some of the early settlers' activities and importance to European activity. This can be achieved with minimal ongoing cost burden to Council.

The anniversary of John Oxley's arrival in Sydney as Surveyor General provides an opportunity for Council to focus on the historical background to the name of a significant area of public open space.

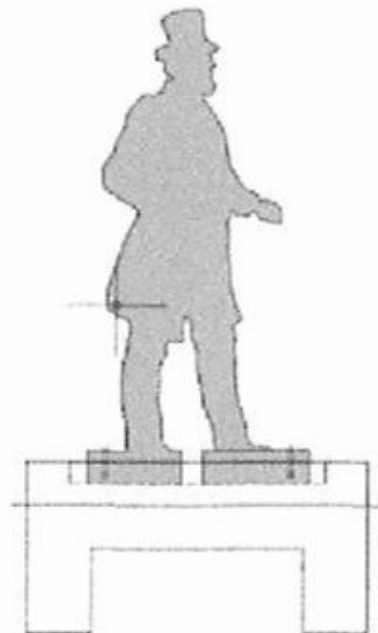
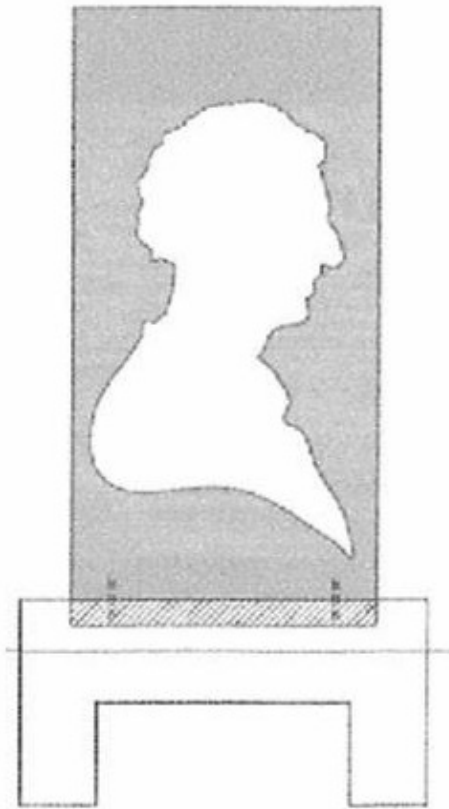
RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. approved the use of funds in the Community Services budget of \$3,500 towards the commissioning of interpretative signage and silhouette to be incorporated into the entrance of John Oxley Reserve;**
- ii. advise the Historical Society of the proposed improvements and thank the Society for their efforts in the commemoration of John Oxley's bicentenary of settling in Kirkham; and**
- iii. include the development of a landscape masterplan for the site in future workplans.**

ATTACHMENTS

1. John Oxley Bicentenary Attachment



ORD01

Attachment 1

ORDINARY COUNCIL

ORD02

SUBJECT: LEPPINGTON PROGRESS ASSOCIATION
FROM: Director Governance
BINDER: Community Organisations

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with additional information regarding Leppington Progress Association's

1. request for financial assistance to improve the driveway facilities at the Leppington Progress Hall
2. status as an entity and its relationship to Council, and
3. success in securing other forms of financial assistance from Council over the past 3 years

MAIN REPORT

At the meeting held 22 May 2012, Council resolved to defer, for further information, a Notice of Motion recommending *"that council approve the balance of Ward Funds (\$2,485.74) to Leppington Progress Association for the upgrade of its driveway, the total cost of the project being quoted at 2,750 (including GST)."*

During the course of discussion, there were four primary issues raised in relation to this matter. These issues are outlined below, together with a response to each.

1. A copy of the letter from the Leppington Progress Association requesting the financial assistance

An email requesting financial assistance was originally sent from the Secretary of Leppington Progress Association to Councillor Symkowiak on 7 May 2012. A formal letter outlining the request from Leppington Progress Association has since been received and is **attached at the end of this report (Attachment 1)**.

2. A copy of the quotes received, outlining cost and extent of works proposed

Copies of the quotes received by the Leppington Progress Association have now been received. A copy of the preferred quote (Monster Concrete Pty Ltd - \$2,750 including GST) is included among five quotes received and is **attached at the end of this report (Attachment 2)**.

3. Clarification on whether the Leppington Progress Association was a community management committee or indeed some other legal entity

Leppington Progress Association is an independent legal entity incorporated under the NSW Incorporations Act, (Registration Y3020609). A Section 355 Committee was established by Council some time ago to manage Leppington Oval, (also referred to in some documents as Pat Kontista S355 Committee).

The committee disbanded some time ago and the funds they held were returned to Council, the subject of a report to Council, 22 September 2009.

4. Whether the Leppington Progress Association was a beneficiary of any other Council funded financial assistance over the past 3 years

The Leppington Progress Association receives an annual subsidy to assist with cost of Council rates and the costs of the group's insurance. The amount allocated in the 2011/12 Budget is \$6,600. Leppington Progress Association has not applied for any funding from Council's Community Financial Assistance Programs during the past 3 years. They were recipients of a 2011 NSW Government Community Building Partnership Grant of \$5,000 to rewire the hall electrical system.

The Leppington Progress Hall is an important community owned and operated facility within the local community that provides a venue for local residents as well as government and non-government agencies to meet. The upgrading of equipment and facilities is ongoing and often very costly. Council's financial assistance would not only be greatly appreciated but, more importantly, improve the facility for all future hall users.

The balance of Ward Funds available is \$2,522 which is slightly higher than the previously reported figure of \$2,485.74. This variance relates to the fact that some elements of the 1ST Narellan Scouts Development Application (waived at the last council meeting) included GST which Council claims back as an input tax credit.

The \$2,522 in Ward Funds available would go a long towards funding the proposed driveway upgrade works, bearing in mind the lowest quote received is \$2,750 (including GST).

CONCLUSION

Additional information has been provided within this report, enabling Council to make a determination on whether or not it is supportive of Leppington Progress Association's request for financial assistance to upgrade its driveway facilities at Leppington Progress Hall.

RECOMMENDED

A matter for Council to determine.

ATTACHMENTS

1. LPA Letter - *Supporting Document*
2. LPA Quotes - *Supporting Document*



ORD03

ORDINARY COUNCIL

ORD03

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR DONATION - ROTARY CLUB OF CAMDEN INC -
RELAY FOR LIFE**

FROM: Director Works & Services

BINDER: Donations

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To seek council's determination on a request from the Rotary Club of Camden Inc. (Camden Rotary) seeking Council's "in kind" sponsorship for the Relay for Life, a Cancer Council supported event planned for 15 and 16 September 2012 at Onslow Oval.

BACKGROUND

The Relay for Life is an overnight, community event where teams of 10-15 participate in a relay-style walk or run to raise funds for the Cancer Council, to be used for research into the causes of and treatments for cancer. The event brings the whole community together for a night of fun, entertainment, celebration and remembrance. Each Relay for Life event is organised by a local volunteer organising committee on behalf of Cancer Council.

These events are held in many places across NSW and elsewhere in the country.

MAIN REPORT

The Camden Relay for Life is supported and organised by the Rotary Club of Camden. This event runs for a 24 hour period over the weekend of 15 and 16 September 2012.

This year, the organisers are planning to also have a launch event, to help promote community awareness of the relay and the opportunity it provides to support cancer research, participate with friends and families as a community in helping to raise funds, and have a good time while doing so.

Camden Rotary's request is seeking support for the use of the Civic Centre on 22 June 2012 for the formal launch, as well as the use of Onslow Oval for two days, power and lighting at the oval as well as the supply and collection of garbage bins used during the event.

Should Council agree to this request, Council would effectively be covering the use of the Civic Centre and catering for the launch, plus the costs associated with the use of the Onslow Oval venue for the weekend in September. The total value of the sponsorship sought is approx \$2,300.

Some of these costs (\$500) can be covered from Council's "Donations to Charitable Causes" budget. The balance (\$1,800) could be funded from the 2012/13 Councillor Ward Funds allocation proposed in the coming year's budget. Camden Rotary has stated that Council's support would be acknowledged through recognition as a major sponsor of the events.



Camden Council has entered into a partnership with the Cancer Council and this proposal provides an opportunity to put some of this partnership into action. It also assists the promotion of “an enriched and connected community”, one of the key directions in the Community Strategic Plan for Council.

CONCLUSION

The annual relay for Life provides an opportunity for the community to recognise those who have suffered from cancer, and through participation of community members, supports the raising of funds for the research into treatment and cure of cancer. It also provides an opportunity for the community to work together and have a fun time while doing so.

Meeting the request for support from Camden Rotary also provides Council an opportunity to support a great community event and demonstrate its partnership with the Cancer Council.

By combining an allocation of \$1,800 from 2012/13 Councillor Ward Funds with the donation of \$500, Council is able to make a significant contribution to a wonderful community event.

RECOMMENDED

A matter for Council.

ORD03



ORD04

ORDINARY COUNCIL

ORD04

SUBJECT: SPRING FARM SOUTH AND WEST VILLAGE - PLANNING PROPOSAL AND DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN AMENDMENTS

FROM: Director Governance

BINDER: Spring Farm South and West

PREVIOUS ITEMS: ORD10 - Spring Farm South and West Village - Planning Proposal and Development Control Plan Amendments - Ordinary Council - 13 December 2011

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the outcome of the public exhibition period of the Spring Farm South and West Planning Proposal. In addition, this report seeks Council endorsement to proceed with the Planning Proposal and submit it to the Department of Planning and Infrastructure (DPI) for the making of the plan.

BACKGROUND

The Spring Farm Residential Release Area was approved by the Minister in May 2004, with the gazettal of the Camden Local Environmental Plan No. 121 and Council's adoption of the Spring Farm Development Control Plan No. 123. Since the adoption of these plans, Council has undertaken a process in accordance with State Government directions to transition these plans into a consolidated Camden Local Environmental Plan 2010 (LEP) and Camden Development Control Plan 2011 (DCP).

In May 2011, the Cornish Group and its representatives submitted a proposal to amend the Master Plan of the Spring Farm South and West Villages provided as **Attachment 1 to this report**. This was accompanied by proposed amendments to the DCP to reflect changes to the Masterplan. The proposed DCP is provided in **Attachment 2 to this report**.

The following is a summary of the proposed key changes to the adopted Spring Farm South and West Village Master Plan:

- Amendment to the street layout to create a regulated and consistent grid pattern;
- Reconfiguration of the sportsgrounds in line with the provisions of Council's Section 94 Contributions Plan.
- Re-alignment of the pedestrian and cycle network to correspond with the associated changes to the street layout;
- Re-alignment of the bus route to correspond with the associated changes to the street layout; and
- Reduction in open space that is generally consistent with Camden Contributions Plan 2011.

On 13 December 2011, Council resolved to proceed with the Planning Proposal to seek a gateway determination with the DPI. It was also resolved that upon a favourable gateway determination, Council will proceed to exhibition of the Planning Proposal in accordance with the conditions of the determination.

MAIN REPORT

Following Council's resolution at its meeting held on the 13 December 2011, the Planning Proposal was forwarded to the DPI for a gateway determination. A favourable determination was made on 17 February 2012, which is provided as **Supporting Document 1 to this report**. The gateway determination required Council to undertake the following public agency consultation prior to the public exhibition taking place:

- NSW Department of Primary Industries – Minerals and Petroleum;
- Mine Subsidence Board; and
- NSW Rural Fire Service.

Comments from the above public agencies were supportive of the Planning Proposal and required no amendment to the Planning Proposal. The only matter of consideration that related to the Planning Proposal was mentioned by NSW Department of Primary Industries – Minerals and Petroleum which pertained to maintaining uninterrupted and ongoing operations of the sand mining activities under current consents until the resources are extinguished. Copies of the consultation letters are provided as **Supporting Document 2 to this report**.

Following the initial public agency consultation period, Council placed the Planning Proposal on public exhibition for a 28 day period from 11 April 2012 to 9 May 2012. Notification letters were issued to adjoining owners and interested parties and a notification of the exhibition was placed in the Camden-Narellan Advertiser during this period advising interested parties the means to view and comment on the exhibited material. The exhibition material consisted of:

- Summary of the changes proposed;
- Council Report and Resolution;
- Planning Proposal and associated attachments; and
- Proposed DCP Amendments.

The above material was exhibited as an electronic source on Council's website and as hard copies at the Camden Customer Service Centre and Library and also at Narellan's Customer Service Centre and Library.

As conditions of the Gateway Determination, the Planning Proposal also required re-referral to the previously referred public agencies and also referral to additional public agencies notifying of the proposal. The Planning Proposal was forwarded to the following public agencies:

- NSW Department of Primary Industries – Minerals and Petroleum;
- Mine Subsidence Board;
- NSW Rural Fire Service;
- NSW Department of Primary Industries – Office of Water;
- Office of Environment and Heritage;
- Hawkesbury-Nepean Catchment Management Authority; and
- Endeavour Energy.

Submissions Received

During the public exhibition period, Council received a total of three (3) submissions objecting to the Planning Proposal – one (1) submission of which contained signatures on behalf of two (2) households.

In addition to the above submissions, correspondence was received from the following public agencies in support of the Planning Proposal:

- Mine Subsidence Board;
- NSW Rural Fire Service;
- NSW Department of Primary Industries – Office of Water; and
- Office of Environment and Heritage.

Other public agencies failed to lodge a response with Council, nor did they ask for an extension to the timeframe allocated to provide a response. Due to the elapsed time since the letter was first issued, it is safe to proceed with the proposal.

A copy of all the Public Agency submissions are provided as **Supporting Document 3 to this report**, while submissions from interested parties are provided as a **Supporting Document 4 to this report**.

Mediation

Council officers offered objectors to the proposal the chance to undertake an information session in an attempt to address issues raised within their submission and potentially mediate their concerns. One (1) of the objectors took up the offer and as a result, their submission was withdrawn from the proposal.

Issues

A range of issues were raised by the objecting parties which are detailed below with a response to each:

Issue 1: The proposed master plan does not correctly depict the property boundary of Lot 12 in Deposited Plan 534539.

The proposed masterplan, provided as **Attachment 1 to this report**, has been amended accordingly to reflect the cadastre boundary recorded on Council's Land Information System.

Issue 2: The realignment of Macarthur Road would de-value any proposed lots within Lot 12 in Deposited Plan 534539.

Macarthur Road is being realigned to provide a more direct route to the bush corridor access road. Whilst the road is a slight deviation to the original master plan, the new alignment frees up additional development land and provides an orderly road network which lessens the burden on land holders providing local roads over and above the necessary amount. Given the additional development land and lower development costs, it is considered that the proposal will not de-value the subject site.

Issue 3: The realignment of Macarthur Road impedes the subdivision process of Lot 12 in Deposited Plan 534539 meaning that the development of the lot relies on boundary adjustments to create a stand alone subdivision.

Whilst the subdivision relies on boundary adjustments, land swap, and the like, to complete the development of the site, adequate access can be gained via Macarthur Road to commence the project (on the proviso that servicing of the development is available). The subject site gains an additional three (3) unconstrained development

lots and seven (7) land swap lots in the development scope of this site. It is considered that the development of this lot is not unduly impacted upon as a result of the Planning Proposal.

Issue 4: There is a possibility that lots adjoining properties of Ettlesdale Road will allow two storey construction which has the potential for privacy issues. In this regard, the residents would like the installation of an 8-10 foot fence that will mitigate these concerns.

The current maximum building height set for the Spring Farm Residential Area will remain unchanged at a height of 9.5m in accordance with the Height of Buildings map adopted in the LEP 2010. The privacy issue is addressed through appropriate development controls listed in Camden's DCP 2011, where setbacks, privacy screening and window treatment controls are in force to ensure privacy is maintained.

Issue 5: Properties of Ettlesdale Road wish to be connected up to sewer and natural gas upon the development of the subject lands.

The servicing of existing residential lots are undertaken by the service providers (i.e. Endeavour Energy, Sydney Water, AGL, etc.). In this regard, it is not the onus of the Council or the developer of the surrounding land to provide these services to the existing residential lots. However once the services are available to the new development, it may be easier to connect existing properties.

Issue 6: There is a general lack of planning for local parks and open space throughout the proposed development.

Parks and open space have been provided throughout Spring Farm at a rate of approximately 3.2ha per 1,000 head of population. This is well above the commonly adopted Sydney standard rate of 2.83ha per 1,000 head of population. This will allow future residents a maximum pedestrian distance of 500m to open space and community land which is sufficient for access to these facilities. In accordance with Camden's Contribution Plan, the proposed master plan endeavours to eliminate parks and open space less than 2,000m² in area due to the high maintenance costs associated with each, hence reducing the burden on the ratepayer.

Issue 7: Residents of Ettlesdale Road wish to be notified of the timeframe of any proposed subdivision.

Should a Development Application be lodged in the vicinity of properties in Ettlesdale Road, Council's Development Assessment Team will notify potentially affected stakeholders in accordance with Camden's DCP 2011.

The Process from Here

Should Council endorse the recommendation of this report, the LEP maps will be finalised into their adoptive form and the amended Planning Proposal will be forwarded to the DPI for the Parliamentary Counsel to make the plan. Upon the publication of the adopted LEP amendment in the Government Gazette, an advertisement will be placed in a local newspaper in accordance with Clause 21 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000* notifying the public of the making of the plan. A further report will be prepared for Council's consideration for the adoption of the amended DCP following the making of the plan.

CONCLUSION

The Planning Proposal and proposed DCP amendment were exhibited for a total of 28 days in accordance with the Gateway Determination and Clause 18 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000*. A total of three (3) submissions were received in objection to the proposal, with this report addressing each area of concern.

Should Council endorse the recommendation, the Planning Proposal will be forwarded to the DPI for the Parliamentary Counsel to adopt the plan and the public will be notified of the adoption of the proposal.

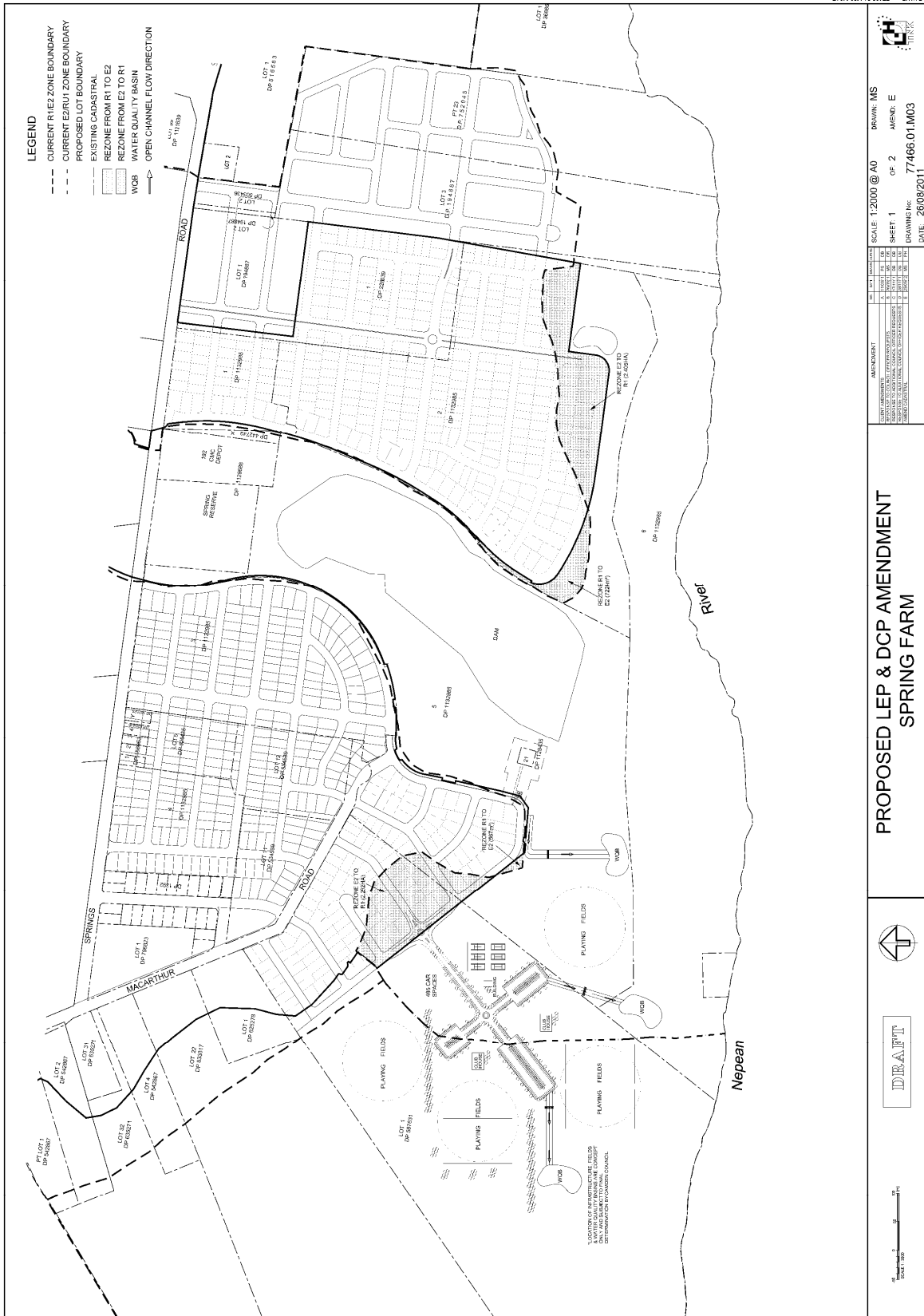
RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. submit the amended Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning and Infrastructure, for the plan to be made;**
- ii. upon notification of publication of the plan in the Government Gazette, place an advertisement in the local newspaper notifying the public of the making of the plan;**
- iii. prepare a further report for the adoption of the amended Development Control Plan 2011;**
- iv. notify interested parties of Council's determination.**

ATTACHMENTS

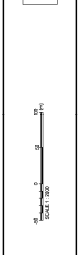
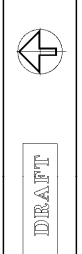
1. Master Plan
2. Proposed DCP
3. Gateway Determination - *Supporting Document*
4. Public Agency Initial Consultation - *Supporting Document*
5. Public Agency Exhibition Submissions - *Supporting Document*
6. Submissions - *Supporting Document*



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**PROPOSED LEP & DCP AMENDMENT
SPRING FARM**



ORD04

Attachment 1

ORD04

C7 Spring Farm

C7.1 Introduction

The Spring Farm release area is bounded by Camden Bypass to the northwest, Narellan Vale to the northeast, Mount Annan and Macarthur Resource Recovery Park to the east, and the Nepean River to the south, as identified at Figure C18 below.



Figure C18 Spring Farm Master Plan

Attachment 2

Spring Farm Master Plan

The Spring Farm Master Plan shown at Figure C18 identifies a broad subdivision pattern for the area. The overall master plan was prepared with consideration to the State Government's objective of achieving a target density of 15 dwellings per hectare in new subdivisions. Development applications for subdivision shall generally comply with the master plan. Figure C19 below demonstrates the basic relationship between the four villages - the Village Centre, main roads, bush corridor and river.



Figure C19 Spring Farm Master Plan Concept Sketch

Relationship to Other Plans

This section must be read in conjunction with:

- The Spring Farm Local Environment Study (Oct 2000) by Patterson Britton and Partners Pty Ltd.
- Landscape Master Plan Report (Dec 2003) by Context Landscape Design.
- Heritage Assessment (June 2002) by Godden Mackay Logan.
- Aboriginal Archaeological Assessment (Jan 2002) by Mary Dallas and Paul Irish.
- Water Cycle Master Plan Report (Oct 2002) by J. Wyndham Prince Pty Ltd.
- Traffic and Transport Report (Oct 2002) by Masson Wilson Twiney.
- Spring Farm Conservation Strategy Documents (26 Sep 2003) by Anne Clements and Associates Pty Ltd.
- Fauna Habitat Study (Aug 2002) by Conacher Travers.
- Geotechnical Assessment: Spring Farm Release Area (including groundwater, salinity, instability, contamination) (Feb 2002) by SMEC Testing Services.
- Spring Farm Sydney: Assessment of Market Potential for a Retail Centre by Jebb Holland Dimasi.
- Spring Farm Urban Release Open Space and Social Plan (Aug 2002) by BBC Consultants.

Spring Farm Planning Principles:

1. Development of Spring Farm will comprise a series of urban villages. The form and character of these villages will be shaped by bush corridors linking William Howe Reserve and Gundungurra Reserve with the Nepean River. The villages will be located within an ecologically sustainable, mixed use environment that meets the needs of its residents and the broader community in terms of housing choice and access to shopping, community services, recreation and public transport.
2. Spring Farm's setting within the broader rural environment will be recognised through the conservation of bushland corridors, riparian areas and the continued use of land on the floodplain for agriculture. The bush corridors will be located generally along creek lines and play a role in drainage management and water quality control. They will also facilitate the conservation of endangered ecological communities which include Elderslie Banksia Scrub Forest and Cumberland Plain Woodland. Street trees will complement the bushland corridors to enhance the view corridors to and from identified cultural landscapes and Camden Park Estate.
3. Access to the land at a regional level is to be provided by a reservation for the link road from the Camden Bypass to the F5 Freeway and Menangle Road. Bus routes to the district centre at Narellan and through Mount Annan to the regional centre at Campbelltown shall also be provided. The Spring Farm Primary School, shops and open space will provide a focal point for community activity.
4. Residential accommodation will be designed to take advantage of, but minimise impact on, bush corridors, the large dam and vistas over the river corridor; ensuring a safe and pleasant environment for all residents.
5. Springs, Richardson and Macarthur Roads continue to provide evidence of the historic development of the area. Whilst land in the vicinity of these roads will undergo development and change, the alignment of the roads shall be maintained. Refer to section B3 Environmental Heritage.
6. Development of the villages will commence before the completion of the sand mining associated with the recovery of the Elderslie sand deposits. As the sand mining is completed and areas are rehabilitated, development will move towards the reconstructed Springs Road and the Nepean River.
7. The housing precincts/urban villages will be protected from the activities of the Macarthur Resource Recovery Park, heavy vehicle access to the Glenlee industrial area and remaining sand mining areas; by appropriate buffers and setbacks and restricted access provisions to the major roads. Buffer areas will also protect the housing areas from the electrical substation facilities and transmission lines will be relocated where possible to minimise impact on future urban development.

Objectives

1. Articulate the planning principles for Spring Farm.
2. Ensure the orderly, efficient and environmentally sensitive development of Spring Farm, in accordance with the Master Plan.

Residential Density Targets

Objective

1. Ensure the dwelling density target for Spring Farm is achieved.

Controls

1. Residential subdivision in Spring Farm shall provide a dwelling target range of 3717-4083 (Figure C20). In order to ensure this, subdivision applications are to demonstrate to Council that the dwelling targets shown in Figure C20 will be achieved. Subject to the agreement of Council and consultation with relevant landowners, dwelling yield may be 'traded' between development blocks as long as it meets the overall targets and objectives of the DCP and Master Plan.
2. Where variation to the block dwelling targets is proposed, the applicant is to demonstrate the proposed variation is consistent with the principles of the Spring Farm Master Plan and provisions of this DCP.

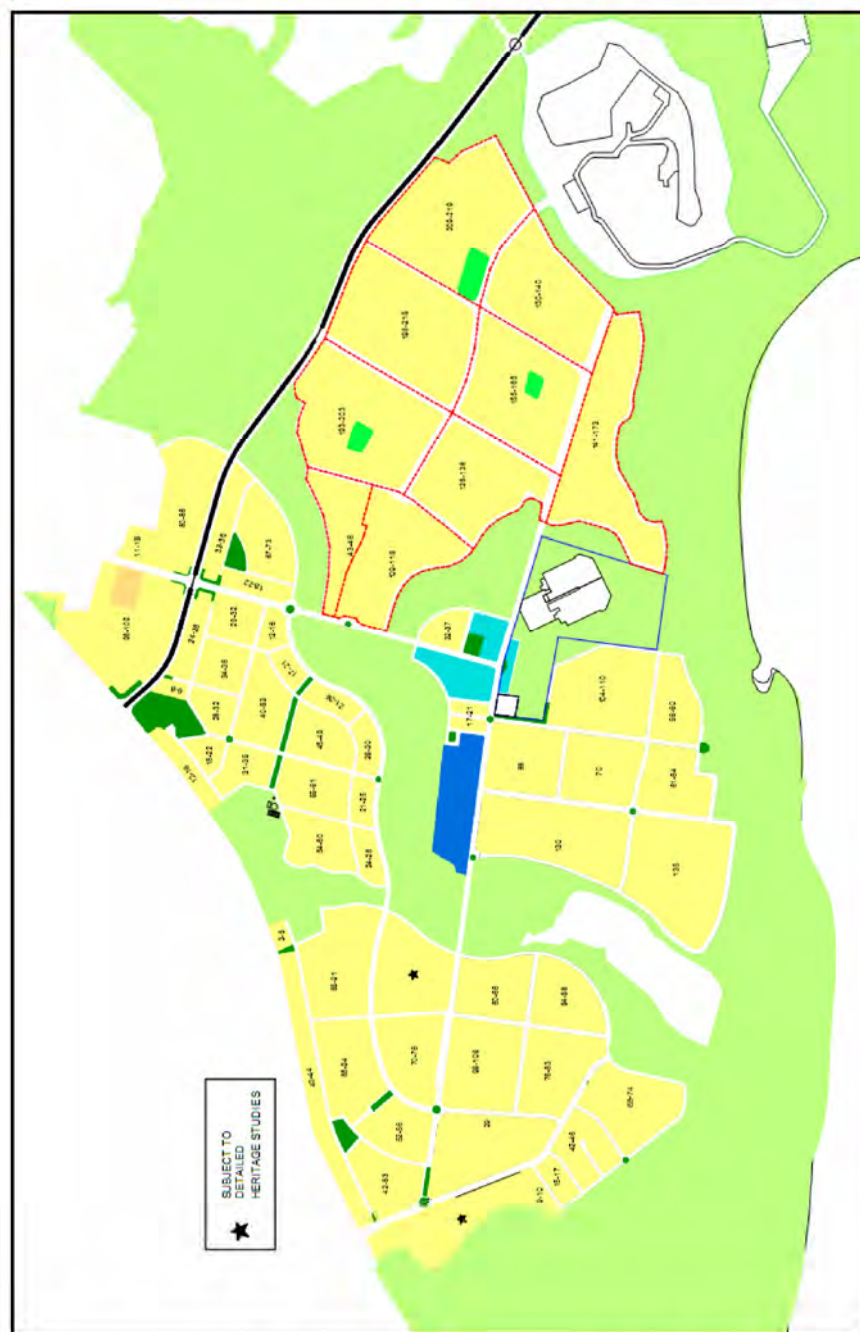


Figure C20 Spring Farm Residential Dwelling Density Range

Staging of Development**Objective**

1. Ensure the orderly development of the land and assist in the coordinated programming and provision of necessary infrastructure and sequencing.
2. Ensure staging of works protects the amenity of future residents from the effects of mining, industrial and waste disposal activities.
3. Ensure services and works are carried out in logical and related stages.
4. Ensure the overall order of residential subdivision includes the putting in place of the "living" infrastructure to deal with stormwater drainage in an ecologically sensitive manner.

Controls

1. The overall stages proposed are as follows and are illustrated in the Figure C21:
 1. Bush Corridors and knoll relocation
 2. Link Road, residential subdivision stage, sewer pumping station, rebuilding dam wall.
 3. Lower Springs Road and commence regrading of sand mined areas.
 4. Residential subdivision stage
 5. Residential subdivision stage including Village Centre
 - 5a. Further residential subdivision after odour mitigation occurs (See LEP 2010)
 6. Residential subdivision stage
 7. Residential subdivision stage
 8. Residential subdivision stage
 - 8a. Further residential subdivision after sand mining rehabilitation works are completed (See LEP 2010)

Note: One residential stage does not need to be completely built out before another can proceed. The staging may be varied where it can be demonstrated the objectives are addressed.

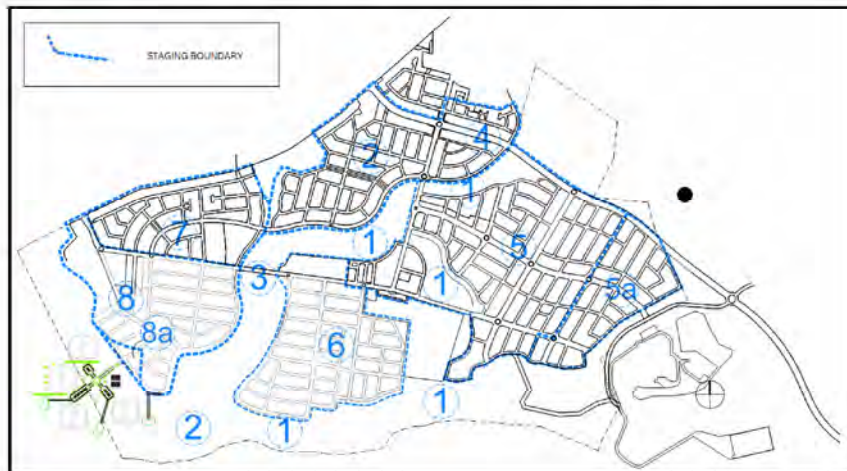


Figure C21 Spring Farm Staging Plan

Macarthur Resource Recovery Park**Background**

This section relates to the odour buffer zone illustrated in Figure C18.

Objective

1. Ensure that odour impacts from the Macarthur Resource Recovery Park are mitigated prior to the undertaking of development on affected land.

Control

1. Consent must not be granted for development for the purpose of dwellings on land shown hatched on the Spring Farm Master Plan (Figure C18) unless the consent authority is satisfied that adequate works have been or will be undertaken to manage odour and any other environmental impacts associated with the Macarthur Resource Recovery Park.

Note: Refer to Clause 6.5 of LEP 2010 for further information

C7.2 Neighbourhood and Subdivision Design

Controls

1. The master plan adopts a typical block depth of 60m in the traditional subdivisions areas, and 50m in the small lot and medium density areas. Typically, the block length is in the order of 150m – ranging from 75m minimum and 200m maximum. This strikes a balance between the need to achieve high accessibility by having shorter block length, with the extra cost and land consumption of having more roads. The maximum length of the block is governed by the need to make neighbourhoods accessible, as well as to provide visual breaks to add interest to the streetscape. Perimeter blocks can be longer if the street curves, as this in itself adds interest and variety.
2. No residential development is permitted below the 100 year ARI flood line. With the exception of areas affected by sand extraction, no fill will be permitted below the 100 year ARI flood line or within 40m of a waterway.
3. The two primary noise attenuation measures include the use of architectural treated buildings to block noise or the erection of acoustic barriers including mounding and fences where they will not detract from a streetscape. The master plan makes provision for a sound fence along the Camden Bypass and architectural treatment along the proposed Link Road. The report shall predict increases in road traffic noise levels for a ten year period and provide recommendation for attenuation where required.
4. At subdivision/development stage, noise attenuation measures need to be developed for sites that fall within the criteria set out below:
 - (a) applicants will be required to submit an acoustic impact assessment report for development:
 - (i) within any commercial or neighbourhood centre areas.
 - (ii) adjacent to Camden Valley Way, Camden By-Pass and/or Liz Kernohan Drive.
 - (iii) For any non-residential use of any part within the area that this DCP covers.
 - (iv) Steep (1:10) or elevated land within 100 metres of a freeway, arterial or future arterial road.
 - (b) Council will not consent to the subdivision/development of land to which this clause applies unless a program, satisfactory to the Council, has been prepared for the purpose of traffic noise attenuation devices proposed for the development. The report shall predict noise levels for a ten year period and any attenuation measures shall address these noise levels.
 - (c) Noise attenuation measures must not block identified view corridors and must contribute positively to urban design outcomes of a high quality.
5. Electricity easements are to be incorporated in public road reserves and shall not burden private lots.
6. The Master Plan aims to protect significant views, and these corridors shall be protected in any subdivision application. Details such as fences, walls and tree plantings shall also respect these corridors. Subdivision that is designed around heritage items and curtilages shall be sympathetic in form, shape and lot size to the heritage places (see chapter B3).
7. The following minimum lot sizes apply under LEP 2010:
 - (a) Attached dwellings - 180m².
 - (b) Semi detached dwellings - 200m².
 - (c) Dwelling houses - 300m².

C7.3 Street Network and Design

The street network and design in Spring Farm will provide connections to its surrounding localities. This will be fulfilled through a clear hierarchy system, which will facilitate accessibility, movement flows and visual connections in the area. The following figures (C22 and C22.1 – C22.12) illustrate the desired outcome for the road network and design within Spring Farm.

Controls:

1. Provide a road connection and pedestrian overbridge to the Elderslie release area.
2. The existing alignments of Richardson Road and Springs Road are to be retained. Ettlesdale Road is to be retained.
3. Macarthur Road is to be retained to represent the settlement pattern of the early colonial era at Spring Farm.
4. New road connections to Camden By-Pass and Liz Kernohan Drive (Spring Farm Link road) shall be consistent with the Master Plan.
5. Kerb returns of 8.5m radius for intersections between streets shall be provided.

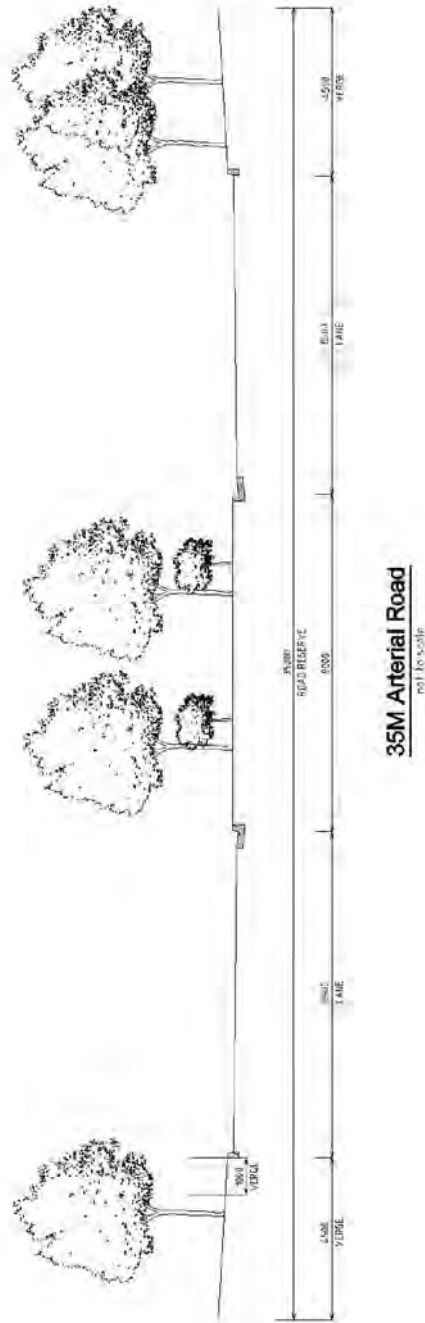


Figure C22.1 Spring Farm 35m Arterial Road

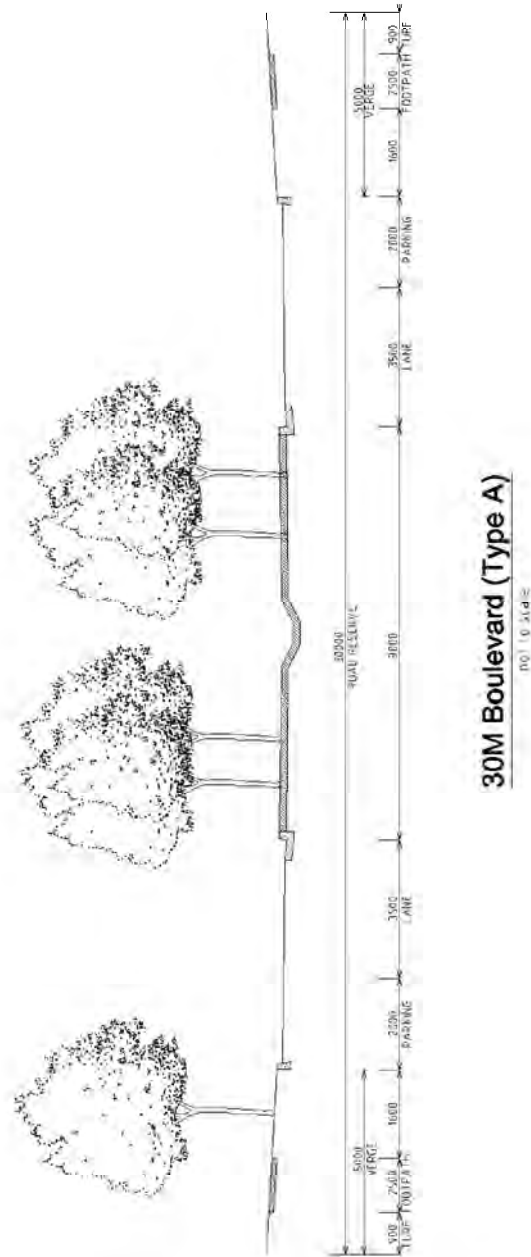


Figure C22.3 Spring Farm 30m Boulevard (Type A)

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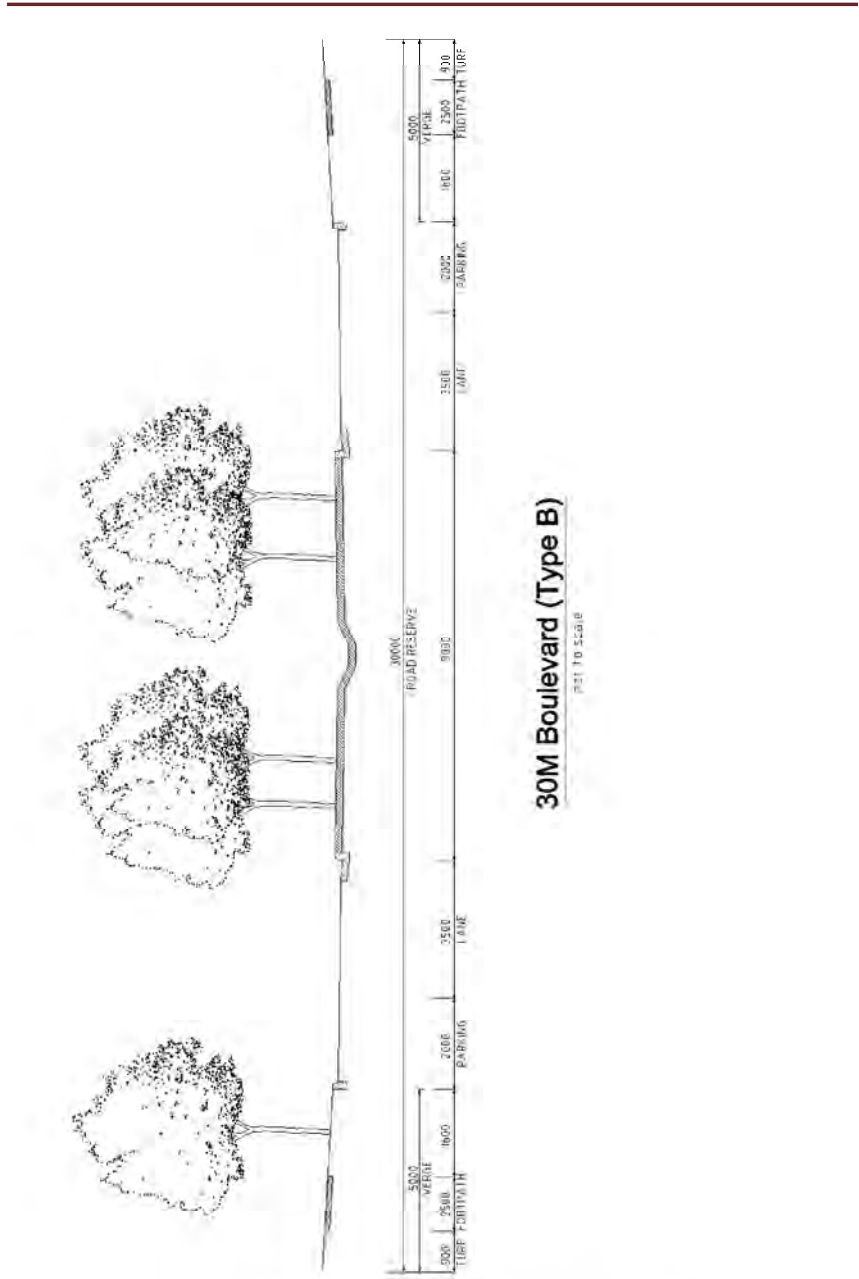


Figure C22.4 Spring Farm Boulevard (Type B)

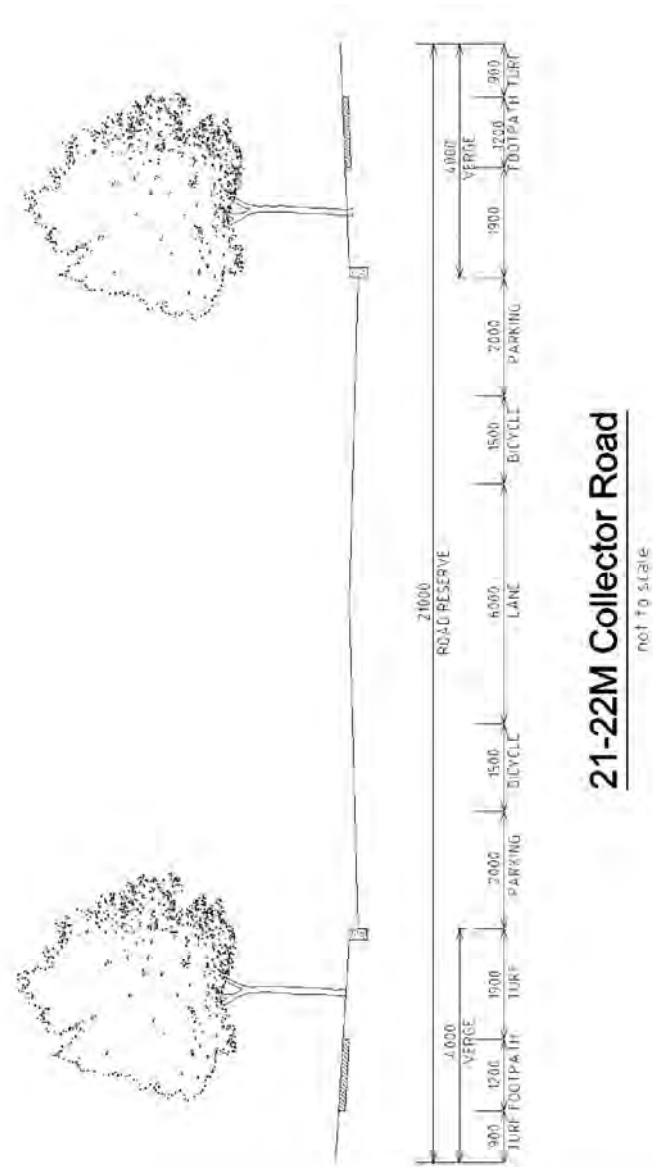
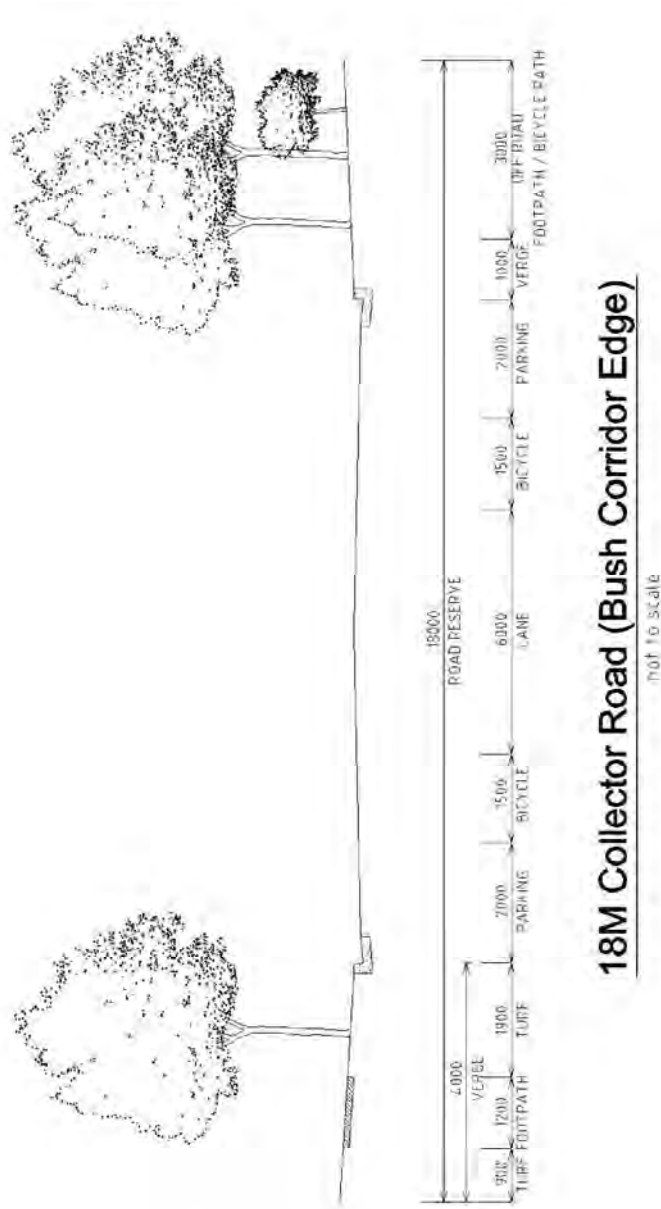


Figure C22.5 Spring Farm 21-22m Collector Road

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18M Collector Road (Bush Corridor Edge)

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Figure C22.6 Spring Farm 18m Collector Road (Bush Corridor Edge)

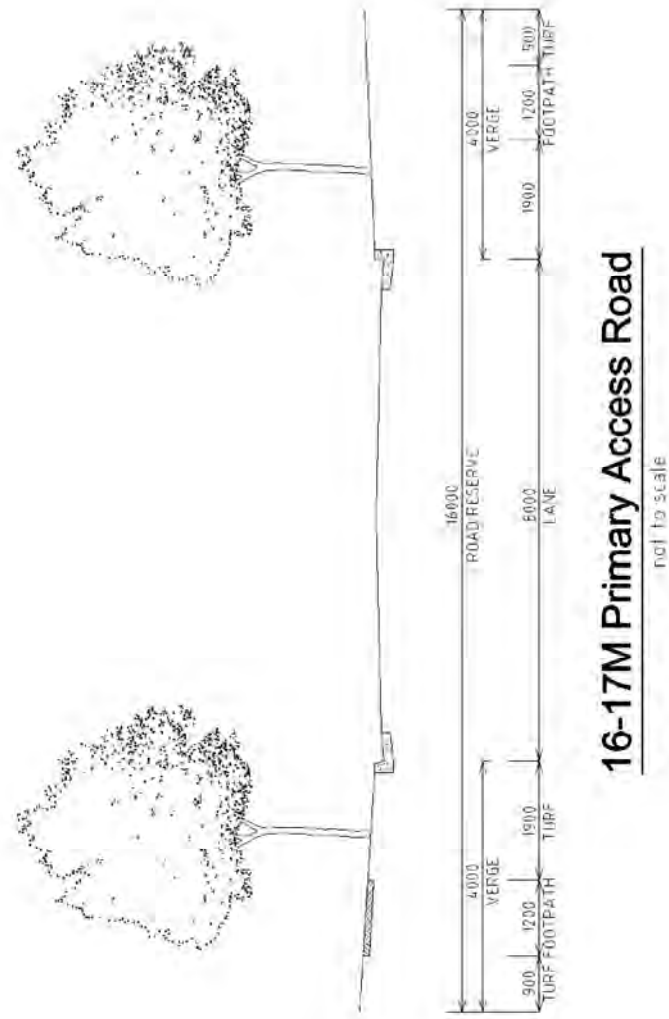


Figure C22.7 Spring Farm 16-17m Primary Access Road

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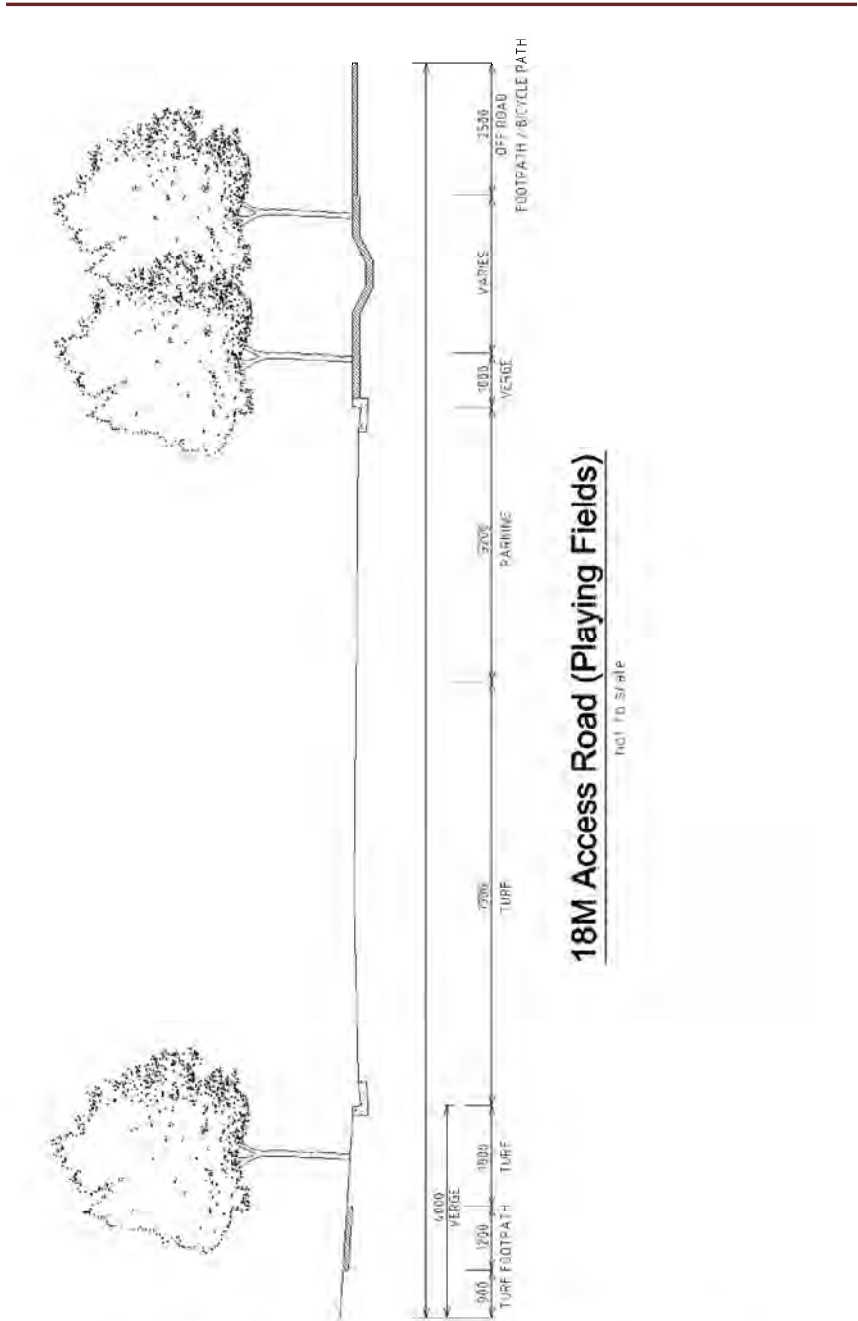
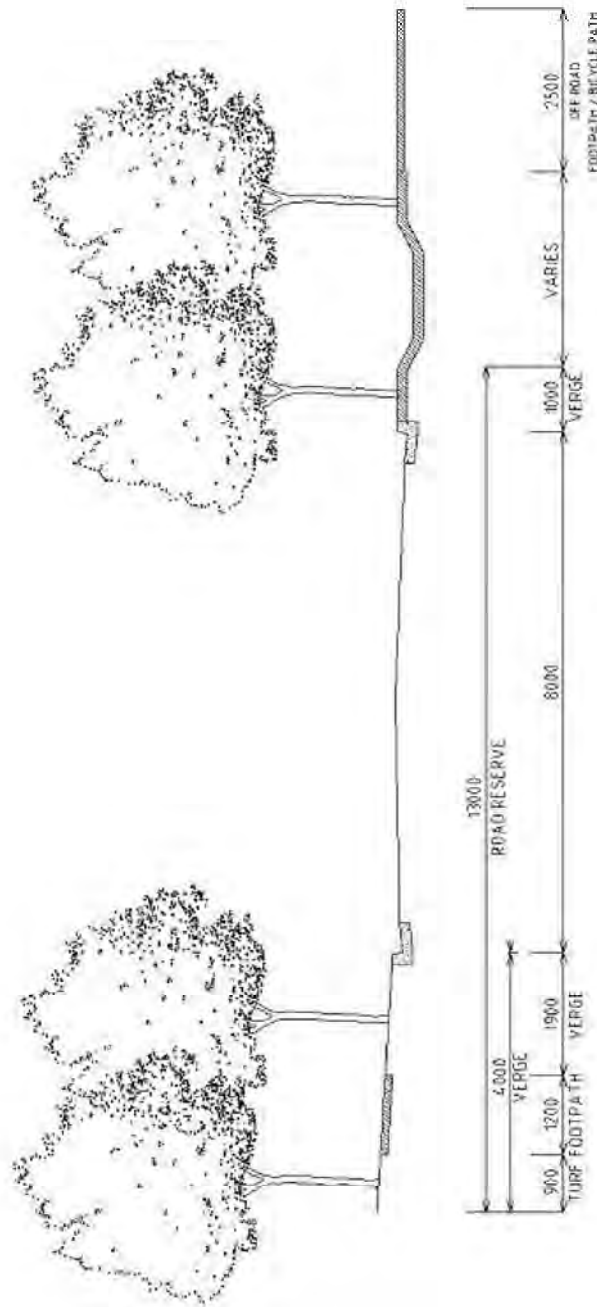


Figure C22.8 Spring Farm 18.2m Access Road (Playing Fields)



13M Access Road (Bush Corridor Edge)

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Figure C22.9 Spring Farm 13m Access Road (Bush Corridor Edge)

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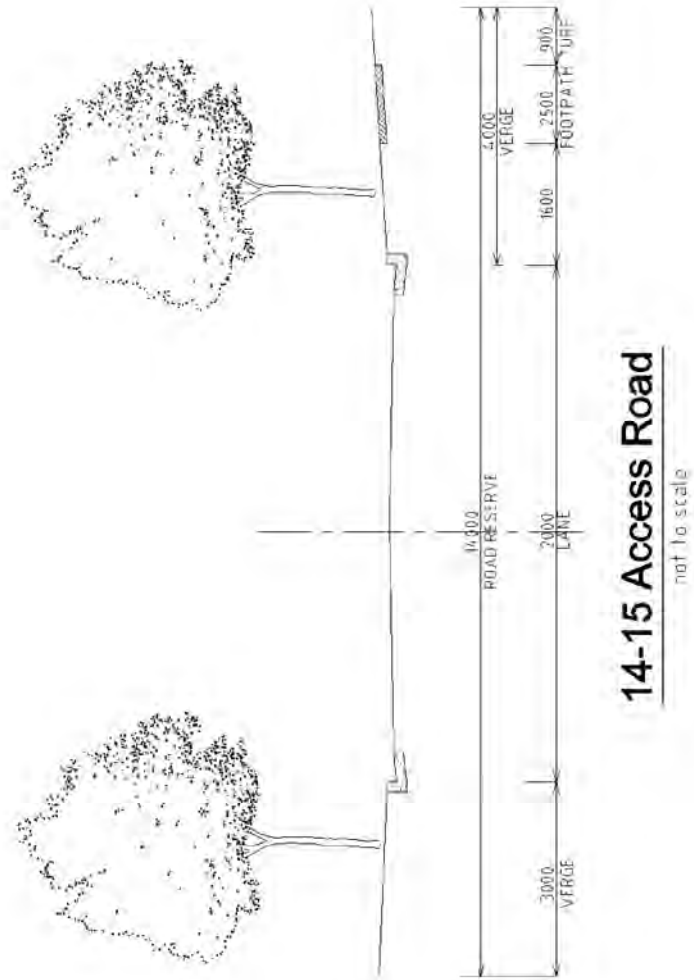


Figure C22.10 Spring Farm 14-15m Access Road

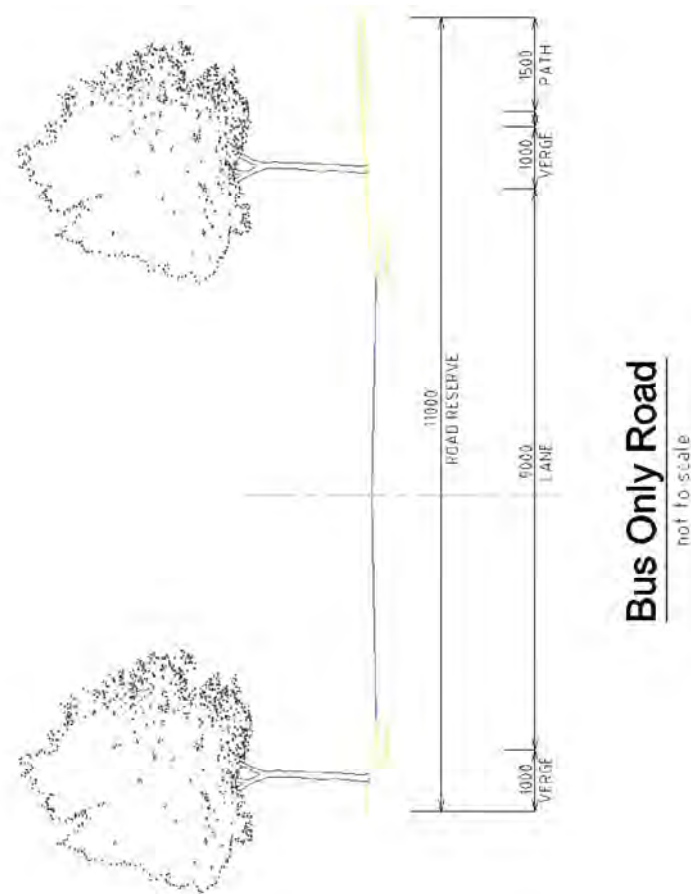


Figure C22.11 Spring Farm Bus-only Road

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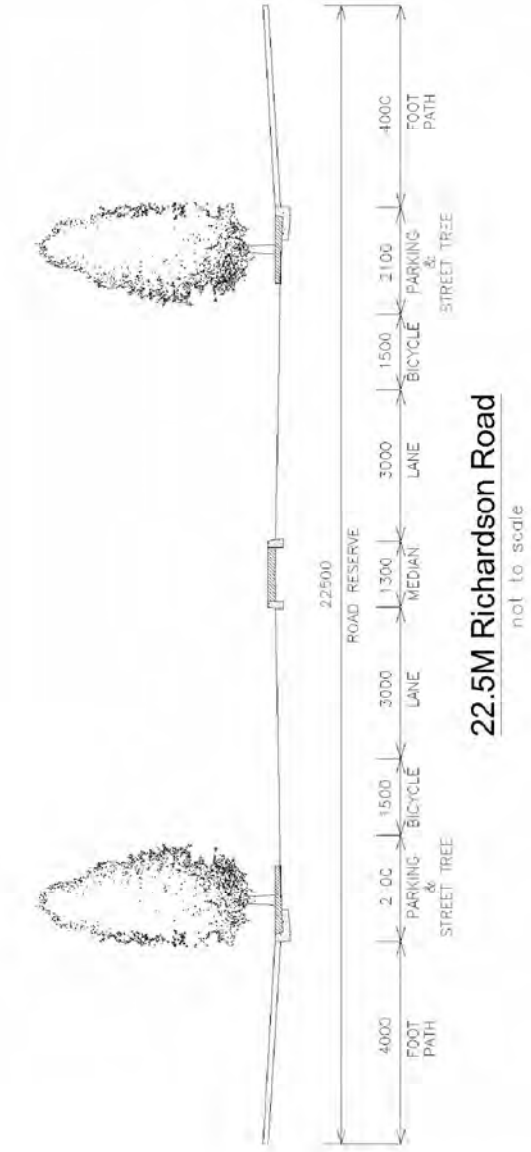


Figure C22.12 Spring Farm Main Street

C7.4 Pedestrian and Cycle Network

Controls

1. The pedestrian and cycle path network for Spring Farm is to be constructed to comply Figure C23.
2. Cycle and pedestrian bridges shall be located above the 20 year ARI flood level.



Figure C23 Spring Farm Pedestrian and Cycle Path Network

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C7.5 Public Transport Network

Controls

1. Figure C24 illustrates the proposed bus routes through Spring Farm and the connections to the surrounding areas.
2. A bus only link is to be created to Mount Annan as shown below.

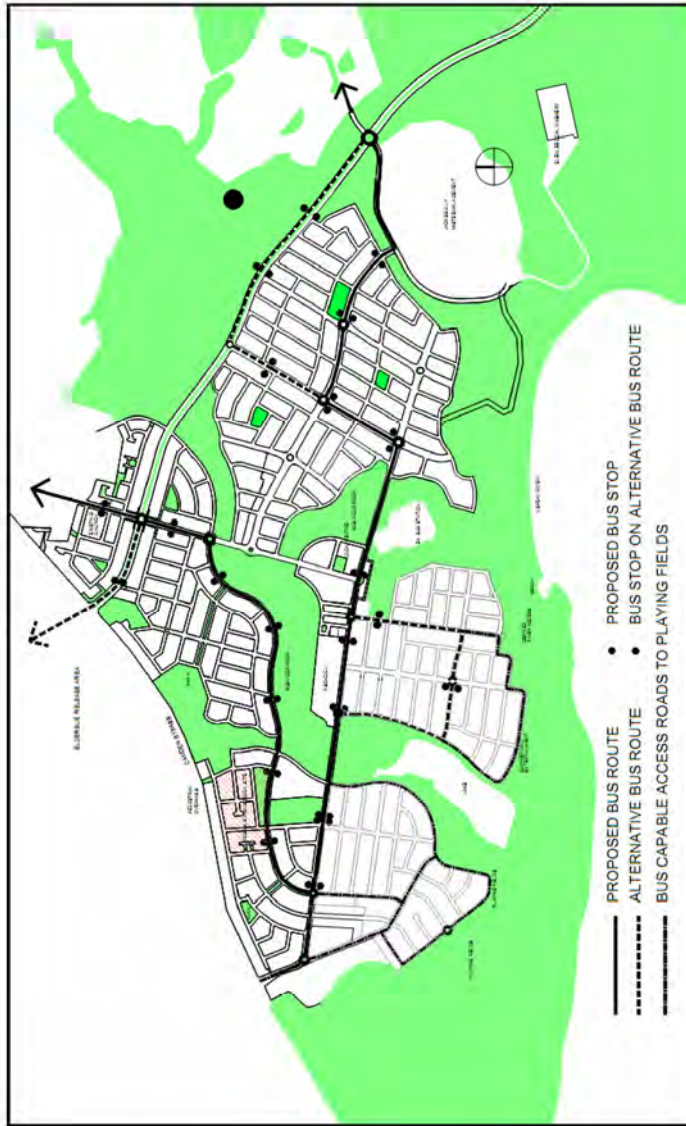


Figure C24 Spring Farm Indicative Bus Route

C7.6 Parks and Open Space

Controls

1. The provision of parks and open space within the Spring Farm release area is to comply with the open space shown on the Landscape Master Plan Report (December 2003) by Context Landscape Design.
2. Landscaping of village greens and local parks for Spring Farm must be in accordance with the Landscape Master Plan Report by Context Landscape Design.
3. Pedestrian and cycle paths are to be located to the perimeter of village greens and pocket parks to provide central open space for activities.
4. Pedestrian and cycle paths are to be located on desire lines and integrated with landscaping.
5. Provide shade trees to play and seating areas.
6. Reference must be made to the Water Cycle Master Plan prepared by J.Wyndam Prince in park design.
7. Generally, no disturbance to existing ground levels are permitted within the drip line of existing significant trees to be retained, unless advised otherwise by a qualified arborist. Utilise physical barriers where necessary to prevent unauthorised vehicular access.
8. The location and detailed design of parks is to be consistent with the Spring Farm Conservation Strategy and Spring Farm Bush Corridor and Riparian land use provisions following.
9. Eight sports grounds are to be provided on land at the southern end of Spring Farm. The location and detailed design of sports grounds is to be consistent with the Spring Farm Conservation Strategy and Spring Farm Riparian and Bush Corridor Land Uses provisions which follow.

Note: Council will give consideration to the provision of a district athletics facility in this location.

C7.7 Bush and Riparian Corridors in Spring Farm

Background

The Spring Farm Bush Corridor is a significant environmental corridor that serves biodiversity conservation, fauna movements and natural drainage through bushland restoration, enhancement and reinstatement.

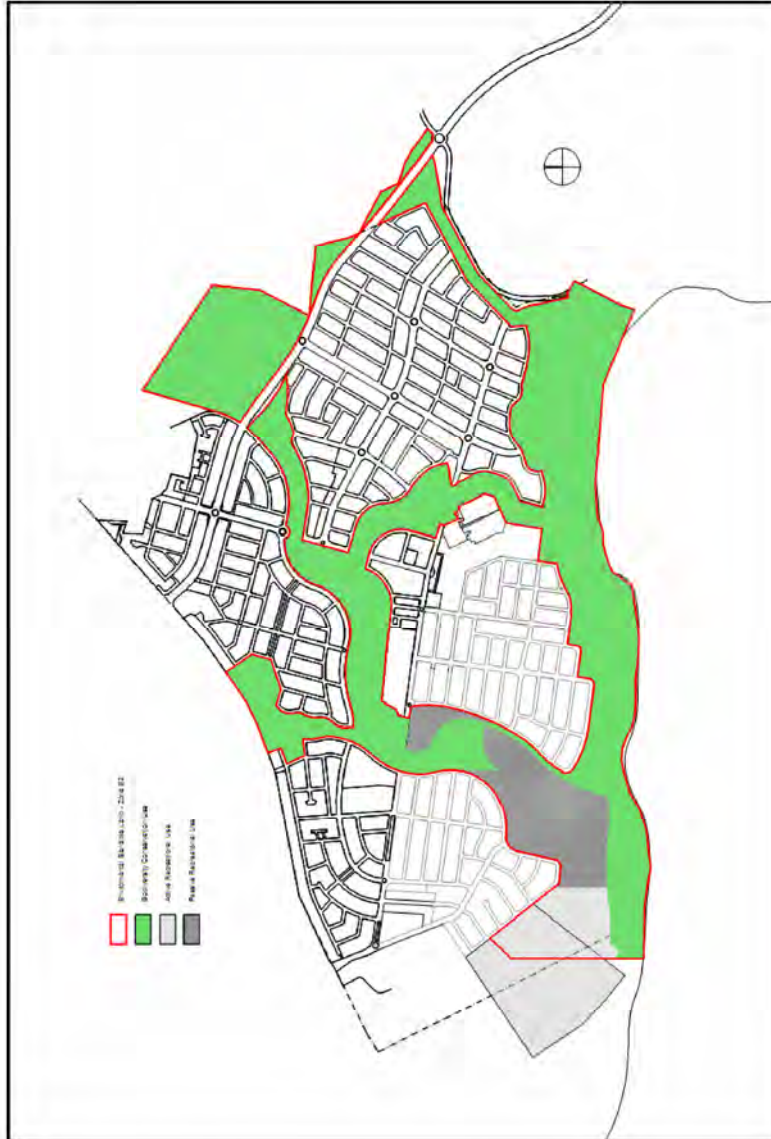


Figure C25 Spring Farm Riparian And Bush Corridor Land Uses

Objectives

1. Ensure protection and management of environmentally sensitive land for the principal purpose of biodiversity conservation, where this land has been identified for this purpose on the Riparian Area and Bush Corridor Land Uses Map shown at Figure C25.
2. Conserve, restore and enhance native flora and fauna habitat and the ecological viability of land identified for biodiversity protection purposes.
3. Provide a buffer around areas identified for biodiversity protection purposes.
4. Provide for development in locations identified on Figure C25 that will not destroy, damage or compromise:
 - (a) the extent, quality or integrity of the ecological attributes of the land or watercourses.
 - (b) the potential for restoration and enhancement of native fauna and flora habitat on the land identified for biodiversity protection.
5. Provide links with other natural areas, as part of an open space and bush corridor network.
6. Ensure viable management, long-term survival and enhancement of the bush corridor through the preparation and implementation of plans of management.
7. Facilitate passive recreation, pedestrian and cyclist access within the bush corridor, to link the urban villages and beyond, with minimal impact on the bushland.

Controls

1. Remnant vegetation shall be protected and management plans shall be established in accordance with the Spring Farm Conservation Strategy Documents (Anne Clements & Associates, December 2003).
2. The bush corridor shall be designed to accommodate stormwater flows and natural functions for Spring Farm.
3. Crossings of the bush corridors shall be minimised and limited only to critical locations to minimise disturbance to existing vegetation. Bush corridor/creek crossings and service corridors must be co-located.
4. Pedestrian and cycle paths must be located on desire lines and integrated with existing vegetation, landform and landscaping.
5. Screen planting and landscape structures shall be used to screen the Integral Energy substation compound.
6. Acoustic barriers and screen planting shall be used to minimise acoustic and visual impact on nearby dwellings.
7. When designing bush and riparian corridors, reference must be made to the Water Cycle Master Plan prepared by Wyndham Prince as shown at Figure C26.
8. A riparian zone of 20m on either side of a minor stream bank and 40m from a major stream bank shall be preserved, or as negotiated with the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water (DECCW).
9. Bio-retention swales are to be located adjacent to public reserves/bush corridor and/or within central medians of wide roads.
10. Off-line bio-retention basins are to be located within public reserves, public roads, or adjacent to bush corridors.

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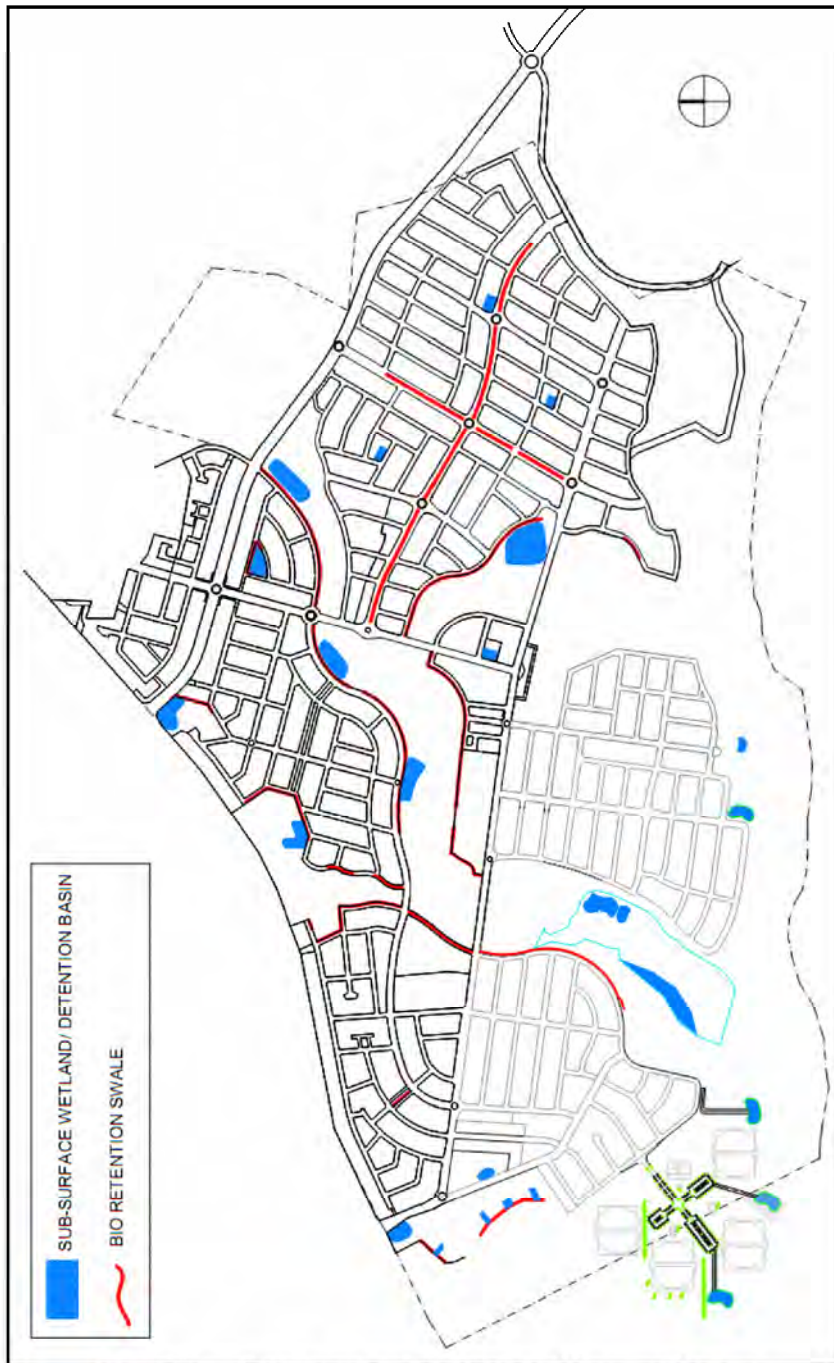


Figure C26 Spring Farm Bush Corridor Water Management Features



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SUBJECT: AMENDMENTS TO CAMDEN DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN 2011 FOLLOWING THE ADOPTION OF THE CAMDEN CONTRIBUTIONS PLAN 2011
FROM: Director Governance
BINDER: Camden Development Control Plan 2011
PREVIOUS ITEMS: ORD11 - Draft Camden Contributions Plan 2011 - Ordinary Council - 13 December 2011

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's endorsement to publicly exhibit amendments to Camden's Development Control Plan 2011 (DCP 2011) as a result of the adoption of Camden's Contributions Plan 2011 (CCP 2011).

BACKGROUND

The Camden DCP 2011 was adopted by Council on 8 February 2011 and came into force on 16 February 2011. The DCP 2011 has been amended previously, with a comprehensive review to ensure that information contained in the controls was a reflection of legislative requirements and current development trends.

Following the gazettal of the CCP 2011 on 26 April 2012, Council was made aware that an amendment to the DCP 2011 was required to reflect the amended infrastructure and community facilities levied for in the CCP 2011.

The following is a summary of the proposed amendments to the DCP 2011 in response to the gazettal of the CCP 2011:

- Amendment of Elderslie Master Plan and associated maps to correspond with the reduction of land area for the South-Eastern Park;
- Amendment to the Spring Farm Master Plan and associated maps to reflect the 'as built' subdivision and delete parks which are no longer funded; and
- Amend the Somerset-Doncaster Avenue Council Car Park plan to identify land required to cater for the proposed car park.

MAIN REPORT

The CCP 2011 details the funding collected from development within the locality for Council to inject back into the community infrastructure and facilities to cater for the local population. In order to provide the infrastructure and facilities, the CCP 2011 and DCP 2011 must be consistent in identifying these needs. The following is a detailed breakdown of the amendments:

Elderslie

The Elderslie Master Plan and associated maps are amended to reflect the reduction of land area for the South-Eastern Park, which approximately halves in size. The CCP 2011 reduced the size of this park in order to lower the development contributions, whilst still achieving the intended function of the park. The road layout has been

appropriately altered to cater for the reduction in size of the South-Eastern Park, which is now allocated for development as residential land. A copy of the amended Master Plan and associated amended maps are provided as **Attachment 1 to this report**.

Spring Farm

The Spring Farm Master Plan and associated maps are amended to reflect the approved and 'as built' subdivisions that the release has evolved into to date. The CCP 2011 also deleted a number of neighbourhood pocket parks due to the level of maintenance costs that Council would incur. The road layout over this land has also been altered, which will now accommodate residential development. A copy of the amended Master Plan and associated amended maps are provided as **Attachment 2 to this report**.

Somerset-Doncaster Avenue Car Park

The development contributions for this item have been carried over from the superseded Camden Contributions Plan to the adopted CCP 2011, which allows Council to collect for the land acquisition and construction of a car parking facility within the Narellan CBD. The amendment to the DCP will strengthen Council's intent and reinforce the objectives of the CCP 2011 and future planning of the site. The amended DCP controls are provided as **Attachment 3 to this report**.

Where to from here

Should Council resolve to support the proposed amendments to the DCP, it will be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days in accordance with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulations 2000*. The exhibition material will be available at:

- Narellan Customer Service Centre and Narellan Library, Queen Street, Narellan
- Camden Customer Service Centre and Camden Library, John Street, Camden
- Council's website for the length of the exhibition period.

An advertisement will also be placed in the local newspaper for the length of the exhibition period notifying the public of Council's resolution and the proposed amendments to the DCP 2011.

At the conclusion of the public exhibition period a report will be submitted to Council detailing any submissions received in relation to the proposed amendments to the DCP 2011.

CONCLUSION

The CCP 2011 was gazetted on 26 April 2012, which required the amendment of Camden's DCP 2011 to accurately reflect the contributions toward community infrastructure and facilities. The proposed amendments include amendments to the Elderslie Master Plan and associated maps, Spring Farm Master Plan and associated maps, and the Somerset-Doncaster Avenue car parking controls. The proposed amendment of the DCP is required to be placed on public exhibition in accordance with *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulations 2000*.

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. **publicly exhibit the amendments to the Camden Development Control Plan 2011 for a period of 28 days in accordance with the provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act and Regulations; and**
- ii. **prepare a further report to be provided to Council at the conclusion of the public exhibition period.**

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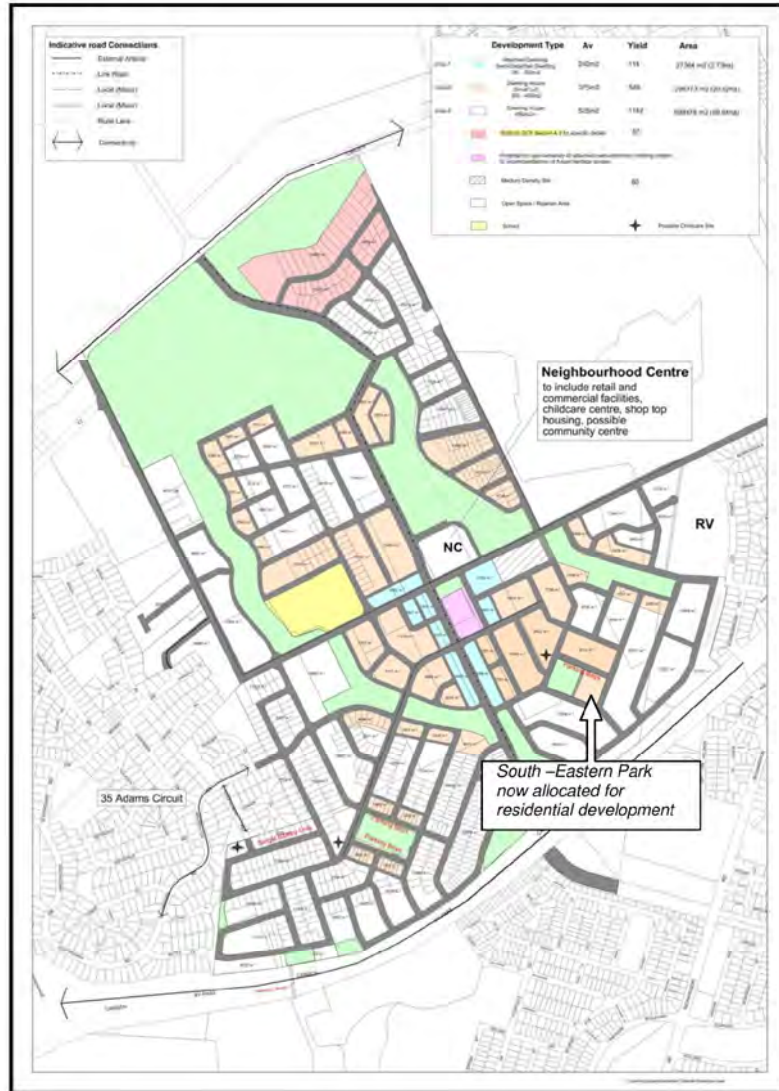
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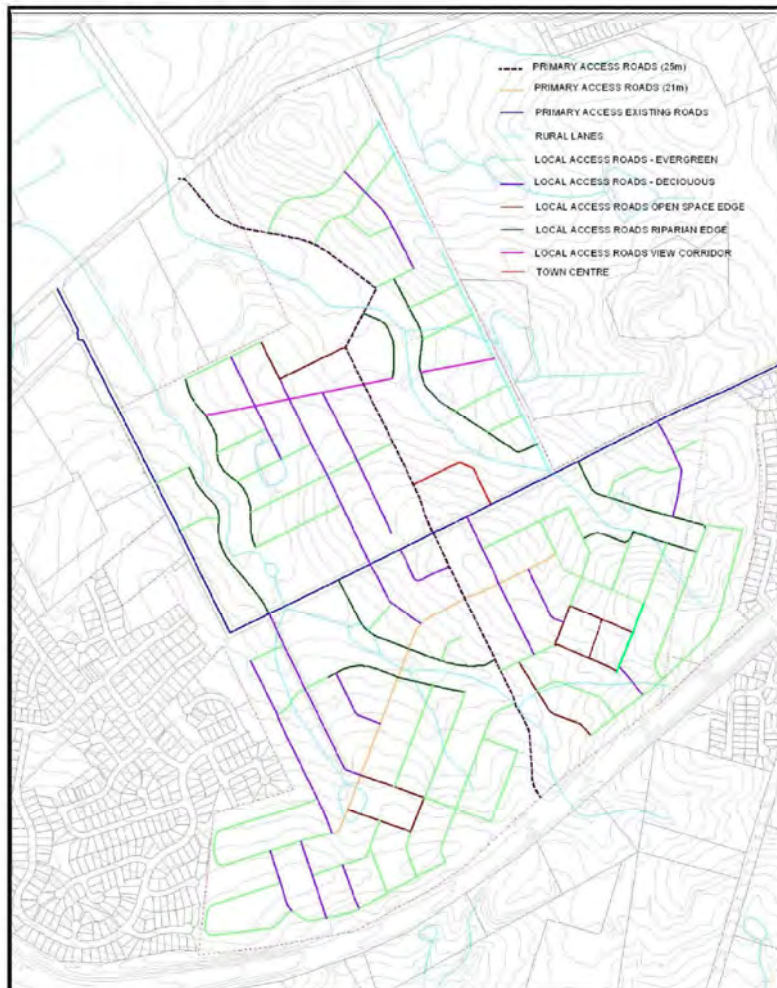
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Attachment 1 – Elderslie Maps

Elderslie Master Plan



Elderslie Street Hierarchy Map



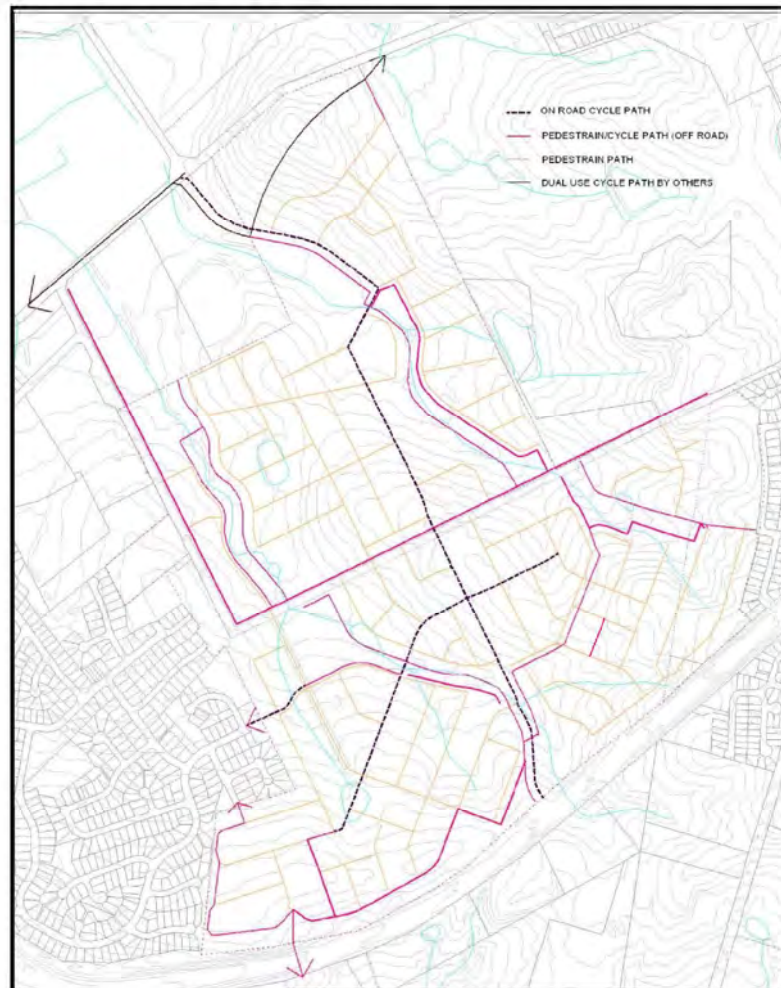
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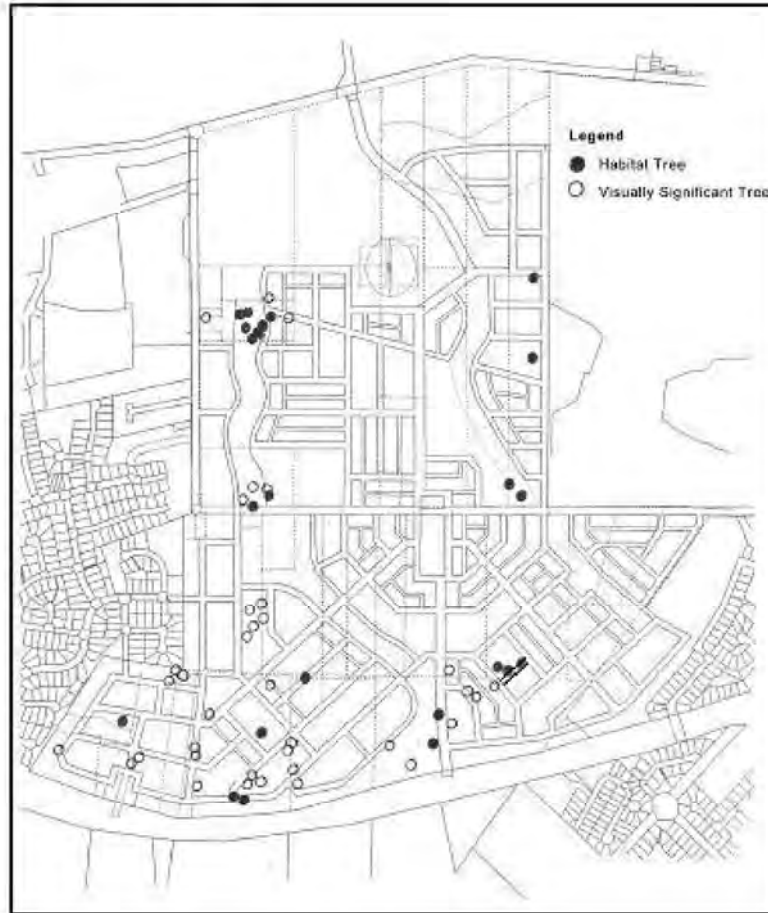
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Elderslie Pedestrian and Cycle Network



Indicative Vegetation Map



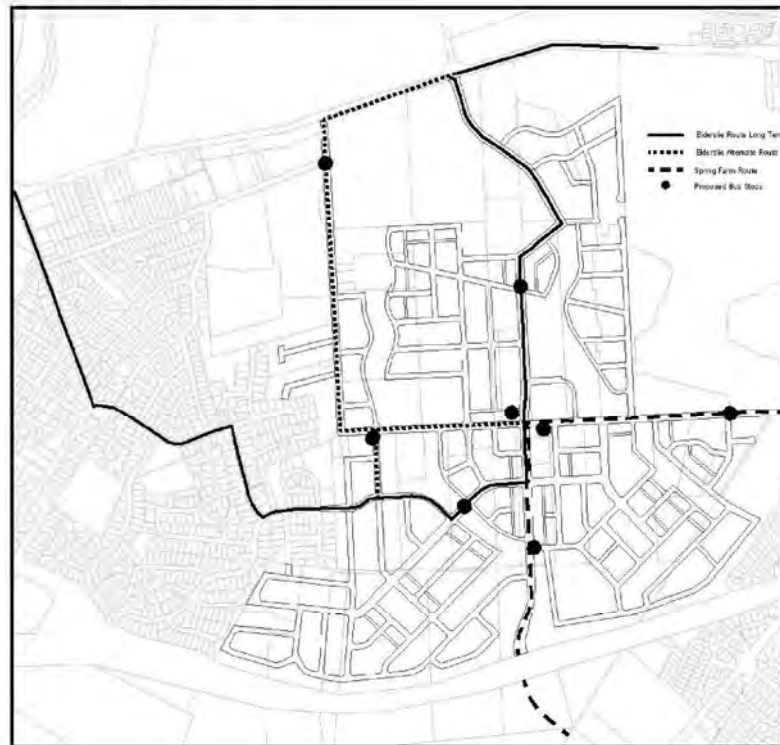
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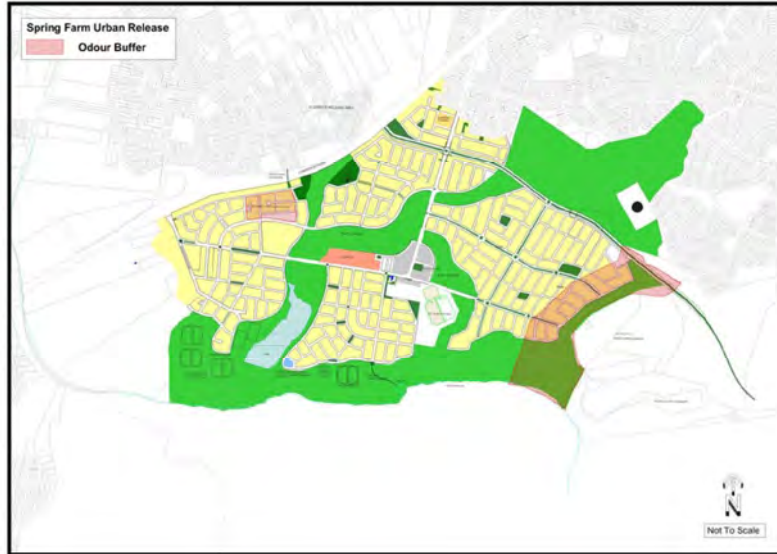
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Indicative Bus Route Map



Attachment 2 – Spring Farm Maps

Spring Farm Master Plan



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Spring Farm Street Network Map



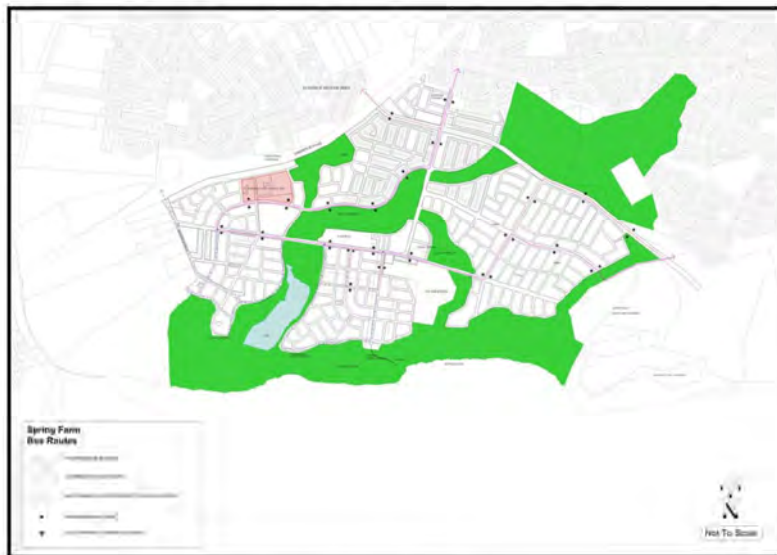
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Spring Farm Public Transport Network



Spring Farm Bush and Riparian Corridor Map



Spring Farm Water Cycle Management Map



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Attachment 3 - Somerset-Doncaster Avenue Car Park**D3.6.4 Somerset Avenue, Narellan**

The following controls apply to land fronting Somerset Avenue, Narellan known as Part Lots 32 and 34, and Lots 37 to 45 inclusive DP 25582 shown on Figure D54.

Urban Design

1. Any building to be constructed adjoining a pedestrian walkway i.e. at Nos. 3 & 5 and 11 & 13 are to provide an active edge to the walkway in the form of windows and entrances.
2. The rear wall of any development is to be constructed to accommodate a future decked parking structure.

Note: *Additional foundations may be required to accommodate future excavation works associated with any deck-structured car park.*

Building Footprint

3. A 2 metre strip of land fronting Somerset Avenue, as shown on figure D54, shall be restricted from development, but shall be available for external activities associated with businesses within the premises.
4. This area may be used for some external activities associated with a shop front, subject to Council approval.
5. Building setback from the rear boundary is to be 19 metres, comprising a 17.5 metre car park area and 1.5 metre wide footpath at the rear of the building.

Awnings Treatment

6. Awnings are to extend 3.6 metres from the building alignment within Somerset Avenue.

Storm Water Quantity Management

7. A strategy for managing storm water quantity shall be prepared in a manner consistent with the Somerset Avenue Augmentation Design Plan prepared by Council. (Ref No 2001-045)
8. Temporary on-site detention may be required as an interim measure in realising the overall Augmentation Design Plan.
9. Any drainage strategy incorporating car park detention shall have regard to any catchment influences.

Note: *Drainage design should be developed in consideration of the overall car park levels, which are available from Council.*

Accessibility - Vehicles:

10. Access to the car parking area is to be via access driveways at Slade Street and north of No 1 Somerset Ave as indicated in figure D54.
11. Short-term vehicle access may be achieved from Somerset Avenue, between Nos. 3 & 5, 11 & 13, where a 6 metre wide access is to be provided. Such access is to accommodate two-way vehicle movement and dedicated pedestrian access. Upon vehicle access becoming available from either Slade Street or North of No 1 Somerset Avenue then the temporary access is to revert to pedestrian access only. As an alternative should Nos. 3 & 5 or 11 & 13 develop jointly then Council would accept an arcade style development, subject to the rear car park having access to Slade Street or north of No 1 Somerset Avenue.
12. Council will require a right of way over the above-mentioned land to the rear car park for both vehicles and pedestrians until such time as the car park is linked to the adjoining car park and has access to either Slade Street or north of No 1 Somerset Avenue. Following the linking of the car park to adjoining car parks a pedestrian only right-of-way will be required.

Accessibility - Car Parking:

13. All car parking areas and associated footpaths are to be dedicated to Council as part of the development process. *These areas are shown shaded grey on figure D54.*
14. Car parking is to be configured as shown on figure D54.
15. Car parks are to be constructed in accordance with specifications available from Council's Works and Services Division.
16. Part Lots 35 & 36 DP25582 – Rear land to be dedicated to be dedicated to Council for car park when development occurs.

Note: *A public "at grade" car park is to be provided at the rear of the properties facing Somerset and Doncaster Avenues, with attractive pedestrian walkways linking the car park to Somerset Avenue. Vehicular access to this car park will be gained from Slade Street, Somerset Avenue and Doncaster Avenue. At some time in the future and subject to demonstrated demand the car park will be redeveloped to a "decked" structure, which is to incorporate a commercial building fronting Doncaster Avenue.*

Accessibility - Pedestrian:

17. Access to the rear car parking area is to be via pedestrian walkways as indicated figure D54. These walkways may function as alternative vehicle access points until access is made available elsewhere.

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- 18. The walkways are to be constructed without a defined level change; vehicle and pedestrian travel areas are to be identified within the paver/asphalt design

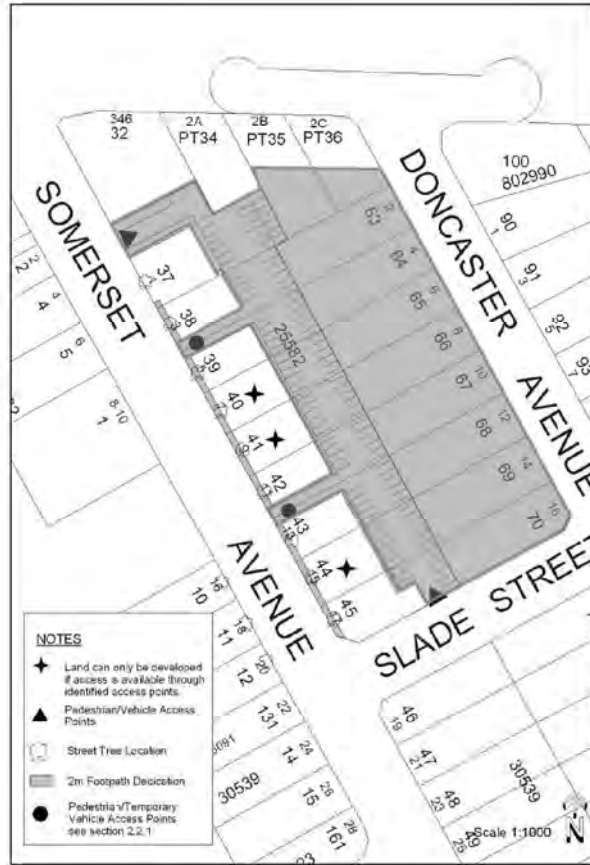


Figure D54 Somerset Avenue Narailan

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SUBJECT: PROPOSED RENAMING OF PART OF COBBITTY ROAD, ORAN PARK
FROM: Director, Development and Health
BINDER: Naming of Roads

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's endorsement to rename part of Cobbitty Road (between The Northern Road and Oran Park Drive) to **Dan Cleary Drive**.

A location plan is provided at the end of the report.

BACKGROUND

On 27 March 2012, Council considered a Notice of Motion on the proposed renaming of part of Cobbitty Road at Oran Park. At that time, various suggestions were considered.

Dan Cleary was born at 3rd Avenue, Hoxton Park in 1898. The Cleary family owned timber businesses and Dan later owned truck and earth moving equipment in Camden.

A brief history of the Cleary family is provided in the Business Paper supporting documents.

The Cleary family has provided their approval to part of Cobbitty Road being renamed Dan Cleary Drive.

MAIN REPORT

The Geographical Names Board (GNB) has advised Council that the following process is required to be followed by the relevant roads authority in respect of having new road names approved in accordance with the *Roads Act 1993*. In this instance, Council is the roads authority:

1. Proposed new road name provided to Council.
2. New road name is checked by Council staff in accordance with the guidelines published by the GNB.
3. The name that meets the guidelines is referred to the GNB for comment.
4. A report is sent to Council by Council officers, seeking endorsement of the name that is able to be approved by the GNB.
5. The endorsed name is published in a proposal notice in a local newspaper, ensuring that the notice states that written submissions on the name may be made to Council.
6. Council concurrently serves notice of its proposal on Australia Post, the Registrar General, Surveyor General and, in the case of a classified road, on the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) if it is not the Authority involved.

7. All submissions are compiled and the road name is reviewed by officers.
8. The results of the notification period are reported back to Council, with any recommendation for approval.
9. The approved name published in the NSW Government Gazette and in local newspapers.
10. Council informs Australia Post, the Registrar General, Surveyor General and the RMS, giving sufficient particulars to enable the road to be identified.

The proposed road name has been considered by Council officers in accordance with the GNB's guidelines and is now able to be referred to Council for endorsement to allow the road naming process to continue.

Steps 1 to 3 of the above process have been undertaken and this report has been prepared in accordance with Step 4.

CONCLUSION

The proposed road name has been considered by Council officers and the GNB. The road name is recommended to Council for endorsement and resolution to proceed with the required road name approval process detailed in this report.

If the road name is endorsed, a 30 day public exhibition process will be undertaken and a further report provided to Council with the results of the exhibition.

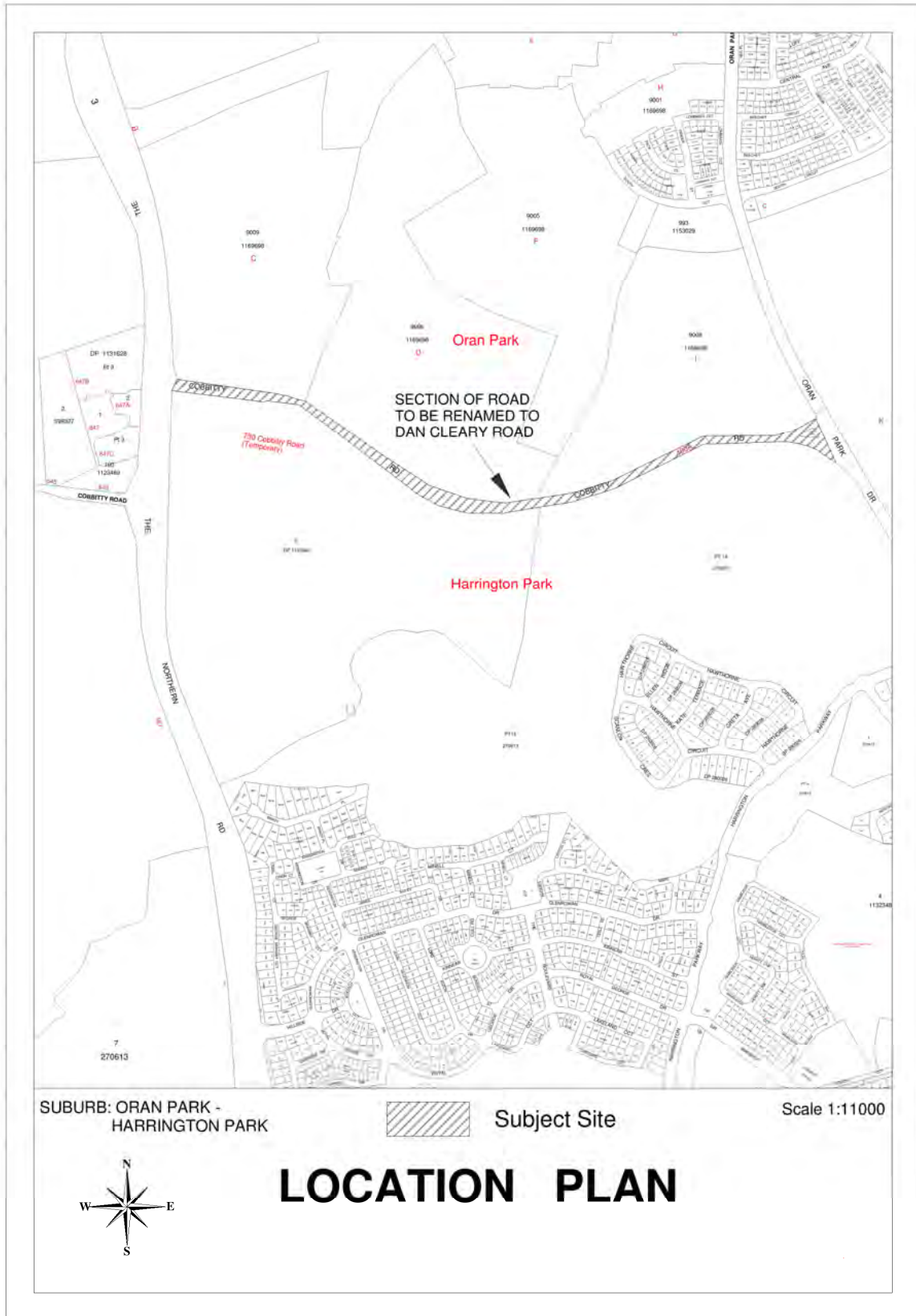
RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. endorse the new road name within this report;**
- ii. proceed with the new road naming process detailed in this report; and**
- iii. be provided with a further report detailing the results of the 30 day public exhibition period.**

ATTACHMENTS

1. Location Plan
2. Cleary Family History - *Supporting Document*





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SUBJECT: PROPOSED MOOREBANK INTERMODAL TERMINALS
FROM: Director Governance
BINDER: Regional Planning - Liverpool Council

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise Council of correspondence received from Liverpool City Council regarding the 'Proposed Moorebank Freight Intermodal Terminals' and to seek an endorsement in establishing Council's policy position with regard to this project.

BACKGROUND

On 13 April 2012, Council received correspondence from Liverpool City Council's General Manager, regarding two 'Proposed Moorebank Freight Intermodal Terminals', to be located off Moorebank Avenue, Moorebank. A copy of the correspondence received is **provided as Attachment 1 to this report**.

In its correspondence, Liverpool City Council articulated their objections to the proposed intermodal projects, and sought the following actions on the part of Camden Council;

- A letter from Camden Council supporting Liverpool City Council's opposition to the two intermodal proposals in their current form.
- Expression of interest in participating in the Liverpool City Council Intermodal Working Group which will coordinate Council's actions going forward.
- Confirmation of whether Camden Council could assist Liverpool City Council through the provision of funding. Such funds would be used to intensify the campaign against the proposal including media coverage, the engagement of specialist consultants to review the relevant Environmental Impact Statements and other technical information.

MAIN REPORT

There are currently two separate proposals for Freight Intermodal Terminals in the Moorebank area; namely, the private sector 'Sydney Intermodal Terminal Alliance' (SIMTA) proposal, and the Federal Government 'Moorebank Intermodal Terminal' (IMT) proposal. A brief overview is provided as follows for each of these intermodal projects.

SIMTA Proposal

The proposed SIMTA project is facilitated via a private sector joint venture, comprised of Stockland, Qube Logistics and QR National. The project site is currently occupied by the Defence National Storage and Distribution Centre, located at Moorebank Avenue, Moorebank (bounded by Anzac Road to the north, and the East Hills Passenger Rail Line to the south). A plan indicating the proposed SIMTA project site location is **provided as Attachment 2 to this report**.

The SIMTA intermodal terminal is intended to operate 24 hours a day seven days a week, receiving shipping containers by rail from Port Botany (and other locations) via the Southern Sydney Freight Line. Distribution of freight would occur thereafter via trucks on the adjoining road network. It is projected this facility will process in the order of up to 1 million shipping containers per annum by the year 2031.

As part of the project proposal, SIMTA claim the following positive initiatives are to be derived from their intermodal terminal:

- Approximately 2,800 jobs (operational) will be created;
- The project is forecast to improve overall air quality;
- There will be reduced congestion on Sydney Roads, particularly on the M5 east; and
- There will be minimum adverse impact on the local road network and all Australian noise and light spill guidelines will be met.

As the SIMTA intermodal proposal is declared 'State Significant', assessment of the development application is conducted on behalf of the Minister for Planning by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure. The corresponding environmental assessment for the project (and supporting documentation) was publicly exhibited until 28 May 2012.

IMT Proposal

The proposed IMT project is a Federal Government initiative, closely developed in conjunction with the Government's policy commitments to improve the efficiency and integration of the national freight transport network. The project site is currently occupied by the School of Military Engineering on Federal Government owned land, located at Moorebank Avenue, Moorebank (bounded by the Georges River to the west, and the East Hills Passenger Rail Line to the south). The IMT site is to the west of the SIMTA site.

The IMT proposal is also intended to receive shipping containers from Port Botany (and other locations) by rail via the Southern Sydney Freight Line. Its focus is to alleviate growing pressure on congested infrastructure around Port Botany, and is projected to process in the order of up to 1.7 million shipping containers per annum. It is envisaged that the private sector will play a key role in the future design, construction, operation and potentially the privatisation of the facility.

As part of the project proposal, the Federal Government claim the following positive initiatives are to be derived from the IMT:

- A boost in national productivity through improved freight network capacity;
- Creation of a commercially viable facility;
- Investment and additional employment via approximately 1,700 jobs (operational); and
- Sound environmental and social outcomes;

A process is currently underway for the preparation of an 'Environmental Impact Statement' for the IMT project, with further work continuing on the proposal during the remainder of 2012, including community and commercial stakeholder engagement. It is also noted that as part of the Government's 2012-2013 Federal Budget announcement on 8 May 2012, an amount of \$357.9 million was identified to be allocated toward the IMT project across 2012-2016.

Liverpool City Council – Objection to Proposed Moorebank Freight Intermodal Terminals

As noted previously in this report, Liverpool City Council has established its position in objection to the two proposed intermodal projects in their current form, and have sought Camden Council's support in making representations to this effect to the relevant parties. As noted in its correspondence, the key issues of concern regarding the proposals include:

- The combined volume of the two intermodal projects will have a magnified and disproportionate impact on South-Western Sydney;
- Air quality will be a problem with air pollution trapped in the South-West Sydney region, including the Camden local government area; and
- The regional road network will be adversely impacted as a result of truck movements to/from the two intermodal sites.

Despite its objections, Liverpool City Council acknowledges (and supports) the need for intermodal terminals to improve efficiencies in freight transport, however believes that the current proposals disproportionately impact South-Western Sydney.

Assessment of the Proposed Intermodal Projects

It is significant to note that each of the individual proposals acknowledge the existence of the other, in demonstrating viability and addressing any potential adverse impacts. This point is noteworthy in that it provides an important context as to what level of demand will exist in the future for heavy freight movement logistics in Sydney. That being, each of the proposals indicate that notwithstanding the existence of the other, the volume of future demand, coupled with the benefit derived from issues such as geographical proximity to infrastructure (i.e. M5, M7, Southern Sydney Freight Line) and economic hubs (i.e. Port Botany, South-Western Sydney) result in the proposals presenting as key items of transport infrastructure.

It is also acknowledged that both proposals are in the earlier stages of project development; that being, much of the detail as to the impacts (environmental, social, structural etc) are either not yet known, or continue to be assessed. In this regard, rather than submit an objection it may be appropriate for Council to monitor the progress of the two proposed intermodal projects, with the intent to review as more information becomes available. Therefore, it is recommended that Council write to Liverpool City Council advising its intent not to participate in any formal objection to the two intermodal projects at this time, and that it will maintain a 'watching brief' on the progress of this issue.

CONCLUSION

Liverpool City Council has formally requested support from Council in objecting to the proposed Moorebank Freight Intermodal Terminal (SIMTA and IMT) projects. It is acknowledged the extent of these two projects will have a significant impact on South-West Sydney, however the extent to which the outcomes will be either positive or adverse remain subject to the ongoing assessment of the merit of each. Therefore it is recommended that Council maintain a watching brief on the progress of the project assessment, and subsequently write to Liverpool City Council advising of this intent.

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. note the correspondence received from Liverpool City Council dated 13 April 2012, regarding the Proposed Moorebank Freight Intermodal Terminals;**
- ii. maintain a watching brief as to the status of the Proposed Moorebank Freight Intermodal Terminal projects;**
- iii. write to Liverpool City Council advising them of Council's intention not to participate in any formal objection to the Proposed Moorebank Freight Intermodal Terminal project, at this time; and**
- iv. write to proponents of each of the developments seeking copies of each impact assessment so that each can be reviewed and reported to Council.**

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Attachment 1 Liverpool letter**
- 2. Attachment 2 SIMTA site plan**

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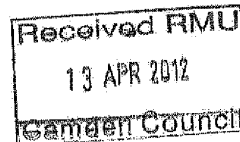
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Our Ref: 060898.2012
Contact: Milan Marecic

4 April 2012

Mr G Wright
General Manager
Camden City Council
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Dear Mr Wright

Re: Proposed Moorebank Freight Intermodal Terminals

I write in regards to the two proposed freight intermodal terminals in Moorebank. The proposals are significant in scale and if developed, will more than likely result in substantial impacts on a regional scale.

It is forecast that Australia's freight requirements in the year 2020 will be double what they were in 2006. Some 90% of shipping containers to and from Port Botany have their origin and destination within the greater Sydney basin. Without new rail freight handling capacity, more pressure will be put on Sydney's road network increasing urban congestion and impact upon the environment.

The Government's answer to the burgeoning need for additional freight facilities consist of three proposed freight intermodal sites, two of which are side by side in Moorebank with the other being a longer term proposal at Eastern Creek. This indicates a short-sighted and inadequate approach for the State's freight transportation needs. The proposed capacity of the Moorebank terminals is 2.5 million twenty foot equivalent containers (TEU's), which is more than four times the capacity of Sydney's five existing terminals at Yennora, Villawood, Cooks River, Chullora and Minto. It is clear that the significant volume of freight delivered to Moorebank will lead to a magnified and disproportionate impact on the south-west region while seeking to address a Sydney wide problem.

The expected externalities relating to intermodal terminals of this scale are expected to be significant. Air pollution is already of significant concern within South-West Sydney as air circulation patterns generally trap air pollution in the south-west region, including the Camden local government area.

The Sydney wide benefit of more intermodal facilities is recognised, however the proposal will inevitably result in the intensification of an air pollution source in an area already considered to have poor air quality.

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The other major potential impact of the proposals is upon the regional road network, especially the Cumberland Highway, Hume Highway, Newbridge Road/Milperra Road and the M5 Motorway. These roadways are already at or reaching capacity for significant periods of the day. The concentration of trucking movements out of any intermodal terminals from Moorebank will further exacerbate traffic congestion on these roads. As the number of route options available to the major industrial areas is significantly less than from Moorebank in comparison to Port Botany, the proposals will concentrate impacts upon key road corridors that service the Sydney's South-West region.

Note that Council supports the need for intermodal terminals to improve efficiently in freight movement, but believes that the Government strategy does not adequately address Sydney's freight needs and concentrates impacts upon south-west Sydney.

In light of the likely significant regional impacts, Council seeks the following;

- A letter from Camden City Council supporting Liverpool City Council's opposition to the two intermodal proposals in their current form.
- Expression of interest in participating in the Liverpool City Council Intermodal Working Group which will coordinate Councils actions going forward.
- Confirmation of whether Camden City Council could assist Liverpool City Council through the provision of funding. Such funds would be used to intensify the campaign against the proposal including media coverage, the engagement of specialist consultants to review the relevant Environmental Impact Statements and other technical information.

Should you require any further information on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me on 9821 9221.

Yours sincerely



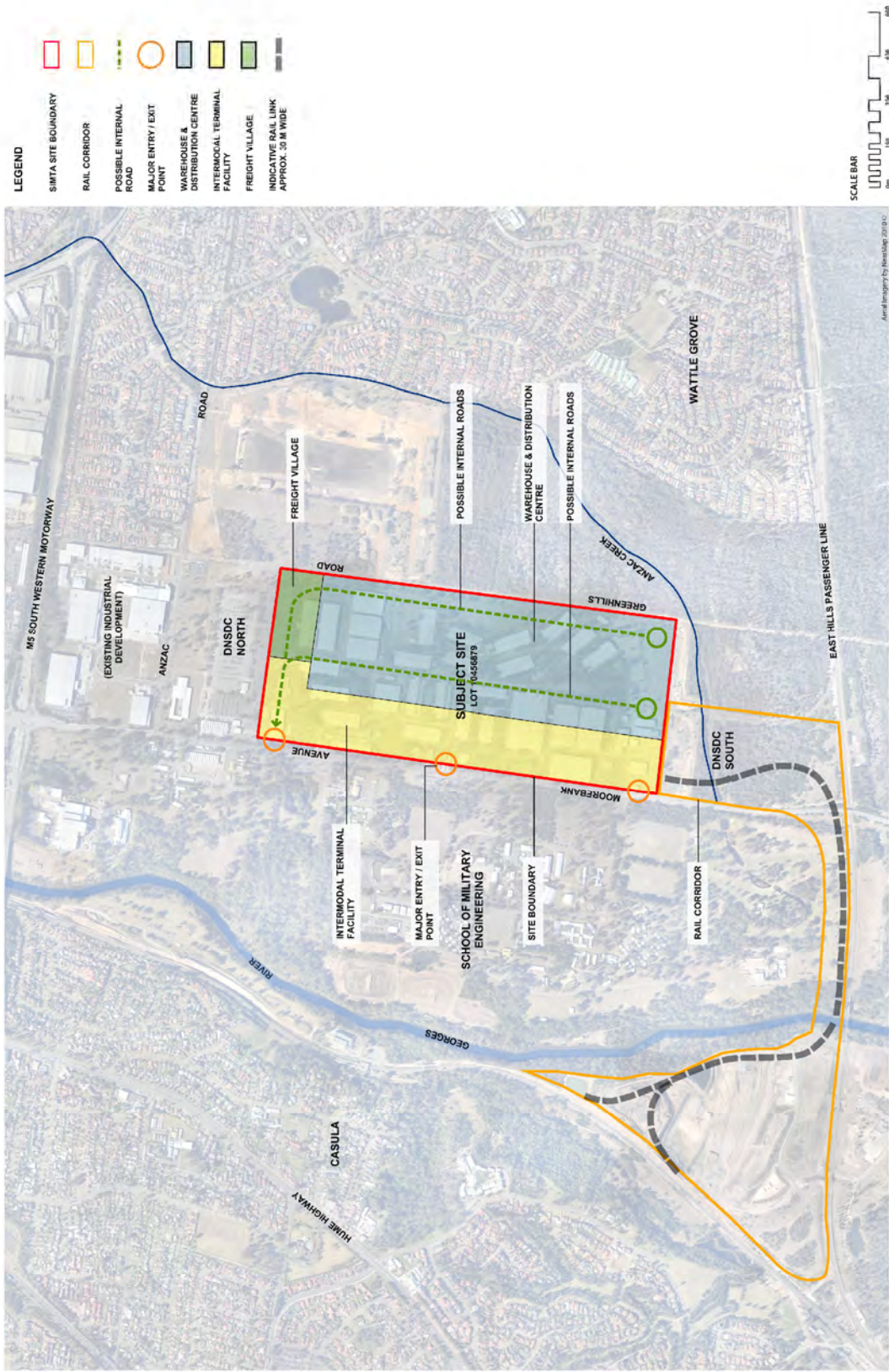
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- LEGEND**
- SIMTA SITE BOUNDARY
 - RAIL CORRIDOR
 - POSSIBLE INTERNAL ROAD
 - MAJOR ENTRY / EXIT POINT
 - WAREHOUSE & DISTRIBUTION CENTRE
 - INTERMODAL TERMINAL FACILITY
 - FREIGHT VILLAGE
 - INDICATIVE RAIL LINK APPROX. 30 M WIDE



CLIENT:

DATE: Dec 2011

DRAWING NUMBER: Figure 9

DRAWING NAME: Concept Plan - Landuse

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SUBJECT: DETERMINATION OF COUNCILLOR FEES - 2012/2013 - LOCAL GOVERNMENT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL

FROM: Director Governance

BINDER: Councillor Fees

PURPOSE

To advise Councillors of a determination by the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal for the level of Councillor fees payable for the 2012/2013 financial year.

MAIN REPORT

The Local Government Remuneration Tribunal (the Tribunal) sets the range of fees for all Councillors and Mayors in NSW each year. The Tribunal has concluded its annual review and, having regard to key economic data and the views of the assessors, it has determined that an increase of 2.5% in fees for Councillors is appropriate. The increases are effective on and from 1 July 2012.

Section 239 of the Local Government Act 1993 requires the Tribunal to determine the categories of councils and to place each council in a category at least every three years. A review was undertaken this year and the Tribunal determined that no changes in categories are necessary. As such, Camden Council is still categorised as a Category 2 (Metropolitan) Council and the revised fees payable for a Category 2 Council are as follows for 2011/2012:

COUNCILLORS	MAYOR
Minimum \$7,740 - Maximum \$17,060	Minimum \$16,480 - Maximum \$37,230

In the 2011/12 financial year, the current Councillor fees are \$15,573.60 per annum for Councillors and \$34,000.30 per annum for the Mayor.

Based on the present level of fees payable to the Mayor and Councillors as above, a 2.5% increase would amount to an increase of \$389.34 per annum for each Councillor, bringing the total to \$15,962.94 per annum and \$850.01 for the Mayor, totalling \$34,850.31 per annum. Alternatively, Council may adopt the maximum amount payable in each case.

A 2.5% increase to Councillors' fees would result in additional expenditure totalling \$4,354.07. The 2012/13 Draft Budget includes a provision for an increase of expenditure of 4.0%, which represents an amount of \$7,038.00. If Council elects to increase fees by 2.5%, the budget will be adjusted accordingly.

RECOMMENDED

That Council determine the level of fees payable to Councillors and Mayor for 2012/2013 financial year.



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ORDINARY COUNCIL

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SUBJECT: DEED OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN CARRINGTON CENTENNIAL TRUST AND COUNCIL - LOCATION OF RURAL FIRE SERVICE STATION FOR THE RURAL FIRE SERVICE, CAMDEN WEST BRIGADE

FROM: Director Governance

BINDER: Rural Fire Service, Camden West

PURPOSE

To gain Council approval to attach the Seal of Council to a Deed of Agreement and Lease document in relation to the location of the Rural Fire Service Station for Camden West Brigade.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting of 8 June 2010, Council considered a report in relation to relocating the existing Rural Fire Service (RFS) Camden West Brigade from Ellis Lane to a new location along Werombi Road.

Following consideration of the Item, Council resolved to:

- i. make an application to close part of Werombi Road as indicated in this report;*
- ii. classify the newly created lot as Operational Land;*
- iii. at the same time, proceed to obtain legal and survey advice to reach agreement on an arrangement whereby the RFS West Camden Brigade location can be accommodated at the corner of Ferguson Lane and Werombi Road and Carrington can be provided access and the right to carry out landscaping improvements and maintenance (no building construction) on the unutilised portion of Werombi Road subject to the road closure application;*
- iv. support the location of the proposed RFS Camden West location within the newly created lot in Werombi Road in the event that an agreement outlined in iii. above cannot be achieved by the end of 2010 (with a report back to Council at that time);*
- v. write to all stakeholders advising them of this decision.*

A copy of the report of 8 June 2010 is **Attachment 1 at the end of this report.**

MAIN REPORT

Following the resolution of Council on 8 June 2010, Council Officers undertook to close the portion of road reserve in Werombi Road identified in the Council report. Given the number of services located in the road reserve, authorities such as gas, telecommunications, power and water had to be consulted. As a result, various easements needed to be created to accommodate the services, taking considerable time to prepare and for authorities and Department of Lands to give concurrence.

The portion of road was officially gazetted as closed road on 25 May 2012 and is now in Council's ownership as a parcel of land. A copy of the Deposited Plan indicating the newly created lot is **Attachment 2 at the end of this report.**

In conjunction with the road closure, negotiations with Carrington Centennial Trust (Carrington) have taken place in order for the portion of land the subject of the road closure to be utilised by Carrington for landscaping purposes in exchange for use of a portion of Carrington's land to accommodate the new Rural Fire Service (RFS) facilities. A plan showing the location of the proposed RFS facility is **Attachment 3 at the end of this report.** As a result of these negotiations, a Deed of Agreement has been prepared outlining the terms of this arrangement.

As the land the subject of the road closure is now in Council's ownership as a registered lot, being Lot 1 in DP1174315, the Deed of Agreement between Carrington and Council can now be executed. In order for the Deed of Agreement to be executed, the Council Seal must be affixed, requiring a resolution of Council to do so. Lease documents will also be prepared, formalising the arrangement for a twenty five year term (with a five year option) for both parties' use of each others' parcel of land.

Once the Deed of Agreement is executed, works can commence on the construction of the new RFS facilities. These facilities will be of standard RFS design and construction, enabling recent experience in the construction of similar facilities in Campbelltown and elsewhere to be leveraged. The project will be subject to a Development Application by Council, and is to be funded by the RFS.

CONCLUSION

In order to finalise the Deed of Agreement and Lease, the Council seal must be placed on both documents. This can only be done by a resolution of Council as required by the Local Government Act 1993 and Regulations.

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. enter into a Deed of Agreement and a twenty five year term (with a five year option) Lease with Carrington Centennial Trust for the use of part of Lot 10 DP845472 (Carrington's land) for the construction and use of a Rural Fire Service Facility for Camden West Brigade in exchange for the use of Lot 1 DP1174315 (Council land) to enable landscaping to be carried out; and**
- ii. authorise the Council seal be affixed to the relevant documentation.**

ATTACHMENTS

1. Council Report Werombi Road 8 June 2010
2. Deposited Plan Werombi Road road closure
3. Location Plan Rural Fire Service

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ORDINARY COUNCIL

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SUBJECT: PROPOSED LOCATION OF THE NEW RURAL FIRE SERVICE STATION FOR THE RURAL FIRE SERVICE, CAMDEN WEST BRIGADE

FROM: Director Works and Services

FILE NO:

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To seek Council's endorsement to relocate the existing fire station for the Rural Fire Service (RFS) Camden West Brigade from Ellis Lane to a new location along Werombi Road, Grasmere, and to gain authorisation to progress negotiations to secure a site which best meets the needs of Council and the RFS.

BACKGROUND

As reported previously, the Camden West Brigade of the RFS has occupied a fire station on Ellis Lane for a number of years. This station currently has the ability to house two RFS vehicles, but has limited other facilities and space. Members of the Camden West Brigade therefore find this present fire station inadequate, as there is insufficient space and facilities to conduct regular required training and inadequate facilities for storage of vehicles and equipment, support of staff and parking for members when they attend training and fires.

During the last two years, the Camden West RFS Brigade has been increasing its membership, adding to the pressure on the existing site.

The station needs to be upgraded to meet current needs, standards and Brigade expectations.

In the last few years, the RFS has been seeking a new site for a new station which meets its need for now and some years into the future. The RFS had agreed with a possible location suitable for support of its operations.

At its meeting on 11 May 2010, Council considered a recommendation to relocate the existing fire station for the Rural Fire Service (RFS) Camden West Brigade from Ellis Lane to a new location along Werombi Road, Grasmere.

At that meeting, Council resolved that:

- i. further consideration of this matter be deferred to allow further negotiations and be reported back to Council in 2 meetings; and*
- ii. all relevant information on the matter be circulated to Councillors during this time.*

Since that time, there have been a number of discussions with the RFS and Carrington Centennial Care (Carrington) regarding options for the location of this station and related arrangements.

MAIN REPORT

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The Camden West RFS Brigade has been seeking a site to build a new fire station which will consist of a three-bay brigade station (a Category 3 Brigade Station with an area of 274 sqm). In addition, the site needs to have off street parking for at least 8 vehicles and sufficient room for safe fire truck manoeuvring around the station, plus room for the rain water tanks and poles for drying fire hoses.

In 2009, the cost for constructing a new facility was estimated to be \$500,000, excluding any cost for acquiring land. Sufficient funding for this work has been made available within the budget. However, the project has not been able to proceed until a new site is available.

Under Emergency Services legislation, Council is required to provide a site for RFS stations. There is not any vacant land owned by Council in the Camden West area, and discussions to lease an area either from Carrington or Sydney Water were undertaken.

However, these earlier discussions did not result in an outcome that allowed the project to progress due to potential occupancy/lease conditions (term and cost), which could impact on longer term operations and the proposed sites being located within the current odour buffer zone of the West Camden Sewage Treatment Plant (STP).

Following the resolution by Council on 11 May 2010 for further negotiations, additional discussions have been held with the RFS and Carrington. These discussions have focused around the options of utilising the road reserve on Werombi Road (the subject of the recommendation to Council at the 11 May 2010 meeting) and the site originally identified in Carrington's master plan of 2006 on the corner of Ferguson Lane and Werombi Road. This location is shown in **Attachment 1 at the end of this report**.

Council has been advised that following a discussion with Carrington after the Council meeting on 11 May, the board of Carrington has further considered Council's and RFS' requirements and has agreed to provide the site at the corner of Ferguson Lane for:

- A lease term of 25 years with a 5 year option (a longer term than earlier indicated); and
- A lease cost of \$5,000 pa indexed to CPI.

The lease term generally fits with a preferred minimum for the RFS, which gives the RFS and Council a period of tenure which provides some surety of continuity and a sound basis for investment in the building and other improvements to be located on the site.

The lease cost is a cost to Council which, on the basis of a CPI increase of 2.5% pa, would result in an approximate cost to Council of \$170,800 over 25 years and \$219,500 over 30 years. It is considered that this cost is not acceptable to Council.

Alternatively, Council could locate the proposed RFS brigade station in the road reserve on Werombi Road as proposed in the report on 11 May 2010. The area between Werombi Road roadway and the old disused road is suitable for such an infrastructure development. The location of this site is shown in **Attachment 2 at the end of this report**. At present the excess road reserve is not serving any specific function other than providing an open space. However, its location means that it has very little use by surrounding residents (however see later comments regarding Carrington discussions).

To access this location would require closure of the unutilised portion of the road reserve under the Roads Act. This Act also outlines the options for Council in dealing with the land made available to it under the road closure provisions of the Act. Under those

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provisions, Council is able to make the land 'operational land', and hence be available for use by Council, including using it for the location of a RFS Brigade. However, there are constraints on disposal of the land and application of proceeds of disposal, which are required to be re-directed to roads and road work.

Nevertheless, it is clear from the discussions that Carrington believes that this location would be detrimental to the presentation of their property facing Werombi Road and that Carrington would strongly oppose the location of the brigade on that site. In Carrington's view, this area should not be developed in such a way as to detract from the future development plans for the Carrington facility.

Both sites have been reviewed by the RFS and have been confirmed as having sufficient area to accommodate the proposed fire station and support facilities which fit with the long-term proposals being developed for the RFS Macarthur Zone Strategic Plan and its requirements for the next 15-20 years. The locations also offer good visibility by road users, which would provide surveillance of the often unattended site. Even though there is expected to be a number of trees which may soften the view from the road, the visibility of the station will also provide some community promotion of the RFS.

However, the site on the corner of Ferguson Lane and Werombi Road is within the STP odour buffer zone. RFS members have indicated that their occupation frequency of the building is such that this would not present an insurmountable constraint on their operations. On the other hand, this site has acceptance from Carrington and would be expected to provide better construction conditions.

In an effort to identify alternatives, consideration has been given to the possibilities of entering into arrangements such as a land swap for leasing arrangement which provide for access to land which may be mutually beneficial to Council, the RFS and Carrington. Such an arrangement would need to satisfy the requirements of both the Local Government Act and the Roads Act. The Carrington representative has indicated that this would be an acceptable outcome, provided the appropriate legal and survey arrangements can be completed. Such an arrangement would be framed to allow Council to construct the RFS brigade accommodation at the corner of Ferguson Lane and Werombi Road, and Carrington could improve the area of land through landscaping (but no building construction) resulting from the partial road closure of Werombi Road.

Such an outcome would still require the closure of the excess road reserve (part road closure), for that part of the road reserve to vest in Council and to be classified as 'operational land', and for appropriate legal and survey actions to be able to be completed. Based on previous experiences, road closure involves the NSW Department of Lands' process and can take around 12 months to complete. However, wherever possible, parallel activity could occur which may speed up the necessary project planning and implementation.

However, should issues arise which would prevent the satisfactory finalisation of an agreement which provides Council and the RFS with the required certainty of tenure or involves Council with increased ongoing costs, Council has the option of locating the RFS brigade on the unutilised road reserve site, subject to the part road closure being completed.

CONCLUSION

Camden West RFS Brigade has outgrown its current accommodation in Ellis Lane, and requires larger premises to be able to operate effectively and meet the needs of a growing membership.

Council does not own vacant unutilised land that can accommodate the new fire station for the Camden West Brigade and there are issues in utilising sites on land owned by other entities.

While it has been proposed that an opportunity exists to utilise part of the excess Werombi Road road reserve at the front of Carrington, there is an alternative location which was identified previously, in Carrington's master plan, on the corner of Ferguson Lane and Werombi Road. This site would also meet the general requirements of the RFS, but would result in an ongoing cost to Council.

However, Carrington has indicated that it would be prepared to consider an alternate arrangement which could provide benefits to the Council, Carrington and the RFS, with no ongoing costs to Council. Such an arrangement still requires closure of the unutilised portion of the road reserve.

Council will need to make application for closing part of the excess road reserve and to pursue the legal and survey actions necessary to achieve such an outcome. However, should this not be achievable within a timely manner, the option of proceeding with the development of the new fire station at this site can still be pursued.

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. make an application to close part of Werombi Road as indicated in this report;
- ii. classify the newly created lot as Operational Land;
- iii. at the same time, proceed to obtain legal and survey advice to reach agreement on an arrangement whereby the RFS West Camden Brigade location can be accommodated at the corner of Ferguson Lane and Werombi Road and Carrington can be provided access and the right to carry out landscaping improvements and maintenance (no building construction) on the unutilised portion of Werombi Road subject to the road closure application;
- iv. support the location of the proposed RFS Camden West location within the newly created lot in Werombi Road in the event that an agreement outlined in iii. above cannot be achieved by the end of 2010 (with a report back to Council at that time);
- v. write to all stakeholders advising them of this decision.

ATTACHMENTS



Attach 1 Site Location - Carrington Masterplan.pdf



Attach 2 Proposed Location - RFS Camden West Brigade.pdf

RESOLUTION

Moved Councillor Funnell, Seconded Councillor Dewbery that Council:

- i. make an application to close part of Werombi Road as indicated in this report;
- ii. classify the newly created lot as Operational Land;

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- iii. at the same time, proceed to obtain legal and survey advice to reach agreement on an arrangement whereby the RFS West Camden Brigade location can be accommodated at the corner of Ferguson Lane and Werombi Road and Carrington can be provided access and the right to carry out landscaping improvements and maintenance (no building construction) on the unutilised portion of Werombi Road subject to the road closure application;
- iv. support the location of the proposed RFS Camden West location within the newly created lot in Werombi Road in the event that an agreement outlined in iii. above cannot be achieved by the end of 2010 (with a report back to Council at that time);
- v. write to all stakeholders advising them of this decision.

THE MOTION ON BEING PUT WAS **CARRIED**.

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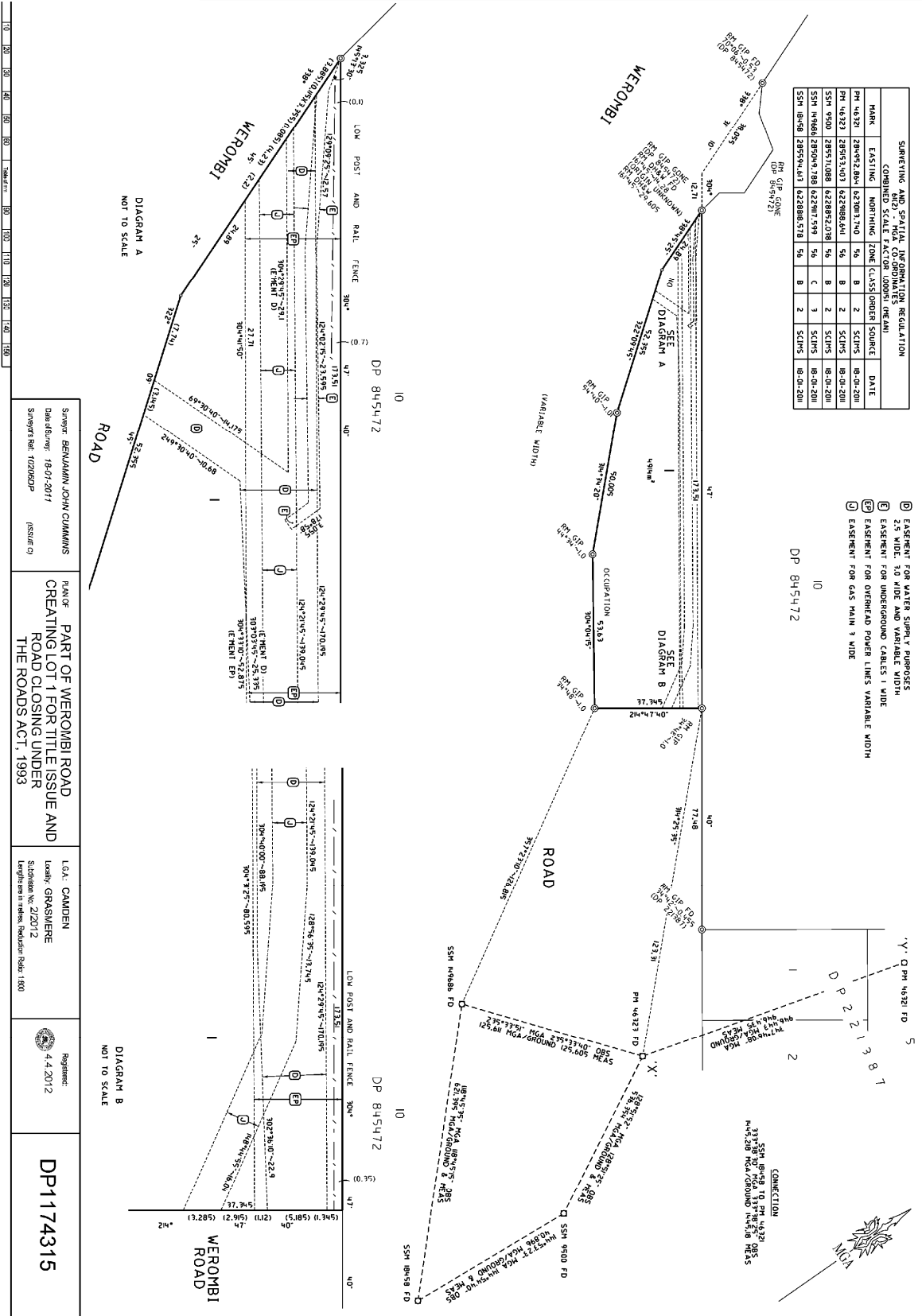
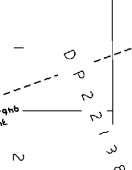
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- Ⓜ EASEMENT FOR WATER SUPPLY PURPOSES 2.25 WIDE, 30.00 WIDE AND VARIABLE WIDTH
- Ⓟ EASEMENT FOR UNDERGROUND CABLES 1 WIDE
- Ⓧ EASEMENT FOR OVERHEAD POWER LINES VARIABLE WIDTH
- Ⓨ EASEMENT FOR GAS MAIN 3 WIDE

DP 845472



Surveyor: BENJAMIN JOHN CUMMINGS
 Date of Survey: 18-01-2011
 Survey's Ref: 10206DP
 (ISSUE 0)

NAME OF PART OF WEROMBIA ROAD CREATING LOT 1 FOR TITLE ISSUE AND ROAD CLOSING UNDER THE ROADS ACT, 1993

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 Locality: GRASWIERE
 Station No: 2/2012
 Length in meters: Reducer Value: 1.800

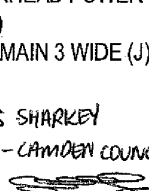


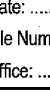
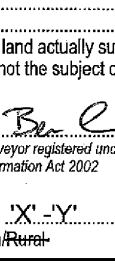

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DEPOSITED PLAN ADMINISTRATION SHEET		Sheet 1 of 2 sheet(s)
SIGNATURES, SEALS AND STATEMENTS of intention to dedicate public roads, public reserves, drainage reserves or create easements, restrictions on the use of land and positive covenants. IT IS INTENDED TO CLOSE THE ROAD SHOWN AS LOT 1. PURSUANT TO SECTION 88B OF THE CONVEYANCING ACT 1919, IT IS INTENDED TO CREATE : 1. EASEMENT FOR WATER SUPPLY PURPOSES 2.5 WIDE, 3.0 WIDE AND VARIABLE WIDTH (D) 2. EASEMENT FOR UNDERGROUND CABLES 1 WIDE (E) 3. EASEMENT FOR OVERHEAD POWER LINES VARIABLE WIDTH (EP) 4. EASEMENT FOR GAS MAIN 3 WIDE (J) NAME OF WITNESS: S SHARKEY ADDRESS OF WITNESS: 11 - CAMDEN COUNCIL 19 QUEEN ST NAREWAN NSW 2567 SIGNATURE OF WITNESS:   (General Manager) CAMDEN COUNCIL If space is insufficient use PLAN FORM 6A annexure sheet	Office Use Only	
		
	Registered:  4.4.2012	Office Use Only
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	Purpose: ROAD CLOSING ROADS ACT, 1993	
PLAN OF PART OF WEROMBI ROAD CREATING LOT 1 FOR TITLE ISSUE AND ROAD CLOSING UNDER THE ROADS ACT, 1993		
L.G.A.: CAMDEN		
Locality: GRASMERE		
Parish: CAMDEN		
County: CAMDEN		
Survey Certificate		
I, <u>BENJAMIN JOHN CUMMINS</u> of <u>JOHN M. DALY & ASSOC. PTY LTD P.O. BOX 25 CAMPBELLTOWN</u> a surveyor registered under the Surveying and Spatial Information Act, 2002, certify that the survey represented in this plan is accurate, has been made in accordance with the Surveying and Spatial Information Regulation, 2006 and was completed on: <u>18-01-2011</u>		
The survey relates to <u>LOT 1</u>		
(specify the land actually surveyed or specify any land shown in the plan that is not the subject of the survey)		
Signature:  Dated: <u>05-10-2011</u> <small>Surveyor registered under the Surveying and Spatial Information Act 2002</small>		
Datum Line: <u>'X'-'Y'</u> Type: Urban <u>Rural</u>		
Plans used in the preparation of survey/compilation		
DP 221387 DP 845472 DP 1086823		
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Surveyor's Reference: <u>10206DP</u> (ISSUE C)		
Subdivision Certificate I certify that the provisions of s.109J of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 have been satisfied in relation to: the proposed <u>ROAD CLOSURE</u> set out herein (insert "subdivision" or "new road")  * Authorised Person/General Manager/Accredited Certifier Consent Authority: <u>Camden Council</u> Date of Endorsement: <u>17th January 2012</u> Accreditation no: <u>272012</u> Subdivision Certificate no: <u>DA 11701/2011</u> File no: <u>DA 11701/2011</u> * Strike through inapplicable parts.		

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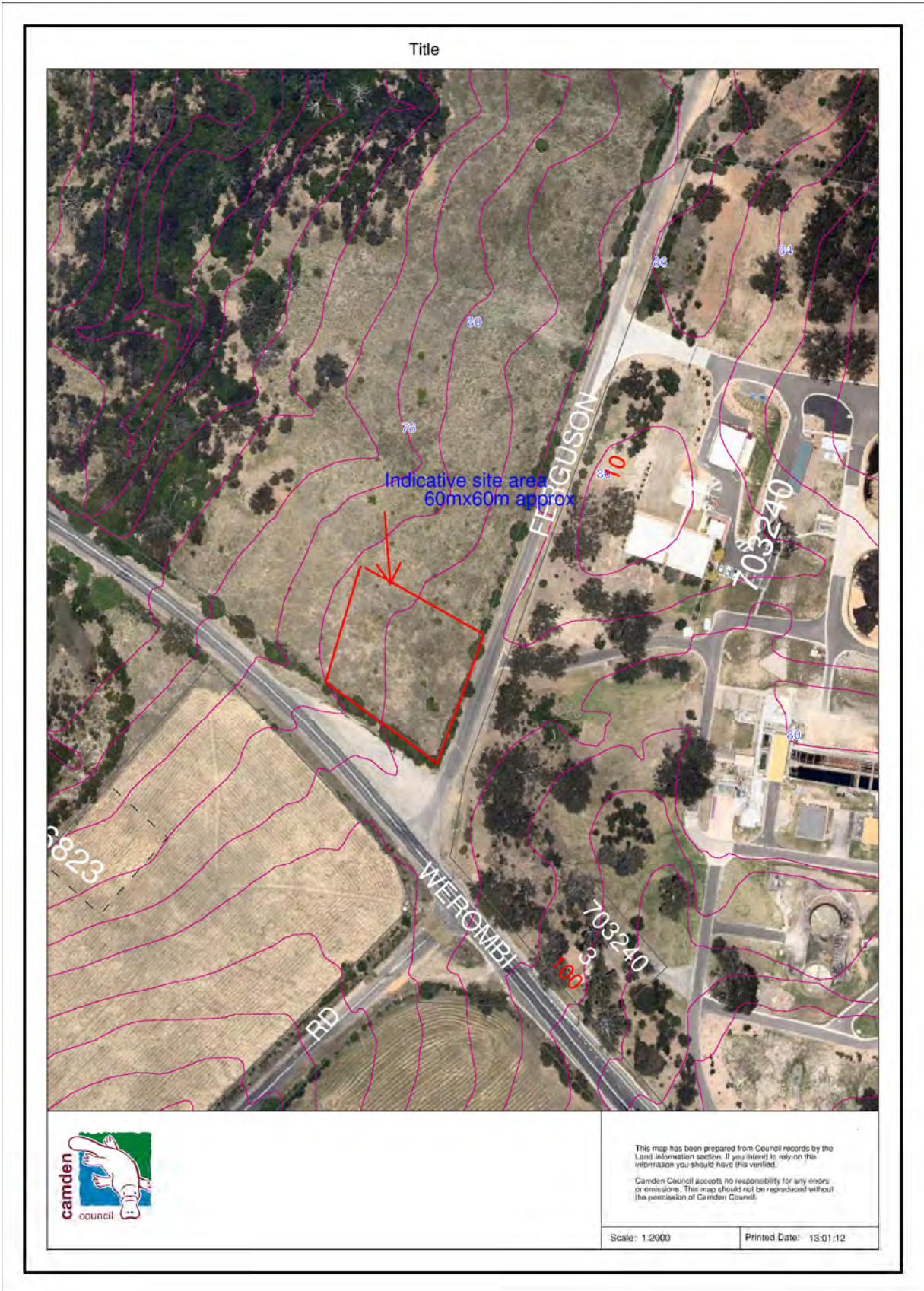
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**SUBJECT: COUNCIL SEAL - EASEMENT FOR PADMOUNT SUBSTATION -
MILLWOOD AVENUE, NARELLAN**

FROM: Director Governance

BINDER: Council Properties - Easements

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To obtain a resolution to affix the Council Seal to the 'Transfer Granting Easement' and related documentation for the creation of an easement for a padmount substation.

MAIN REPORT

Council is the owner of Narellan Park located at 18B Millwood Avenue, Narellan (Lot 1 DP829852).

Macarthur Hockey Association (MHA) has a licence over part of Narellan Park for use of the land as a hockey facility. Apart from being utilised by the MHA for local hockey competitions, the complex is also used for Sydney Hockey fixtures, school gala days, Hockey NSW state fixtures and is home to a number of NSW State teams as a training venue.

In the past year, the MHA has received funding towards construction of a new water-base hockey field. Construction of the field has recently been completed and additional lighting to the field is to be installed. Power to the site will need to be upgraded to accommodate the additional lighting, and as such, the construction of a small substation is required.

Council Officers met on site with the MHA and the project consultant to discuss options in regards to the location of the substation. A location was been determined satisfactory to Endeavour Energy, the Hockey Association and Council. A copy of the site plan **is shown in attachment 1 at the end of this report** indicating the proposed location of the substation. The location will not impact on access or parking.

In order for the work to proceed, Endeavour Energy must obtain the consent of the property owner to the proposed works and negotiate the creation of an easement in order to protect its assets.

The land in question is classified as "community" land under the Local Government Act 1993 and as such Council is permitted to grant easements for the provision of public utilities and works associated with public utilities.

All costs associated with the creation of the easement will be borne by the MHA and it will be a requirement that the land is reinstated, as nearly as practicable, to its original condition and to the satisfaction of Council.

This is a procedural requirement in order to obtain Council approval for the easement and authorisation to affix the Council Seal to the necessary documentation to allow the registration at the Land and Property Information Division.

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RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. approve the grant of easement for the purpose of providing a padmount substation and underground electricity cable through Lot 1 DP 829852, 18 B Millwood Avenue, Narellan.**
- ii. authorise the affixing of the Council Seal to the Transfer Granting Easement and any other relevant documentation to create the proposed easement.**

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1. Location plan
2. Plan showing proposed easement

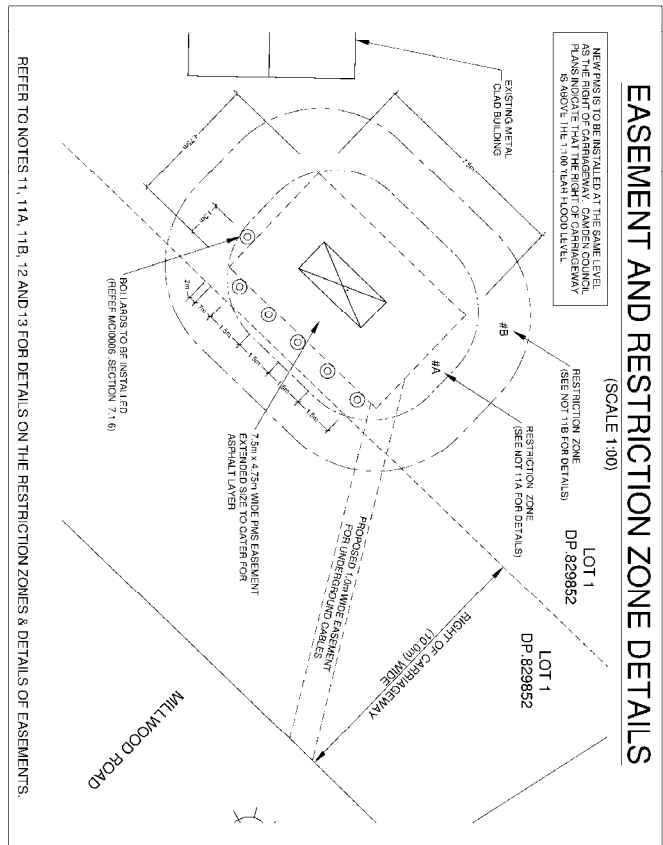
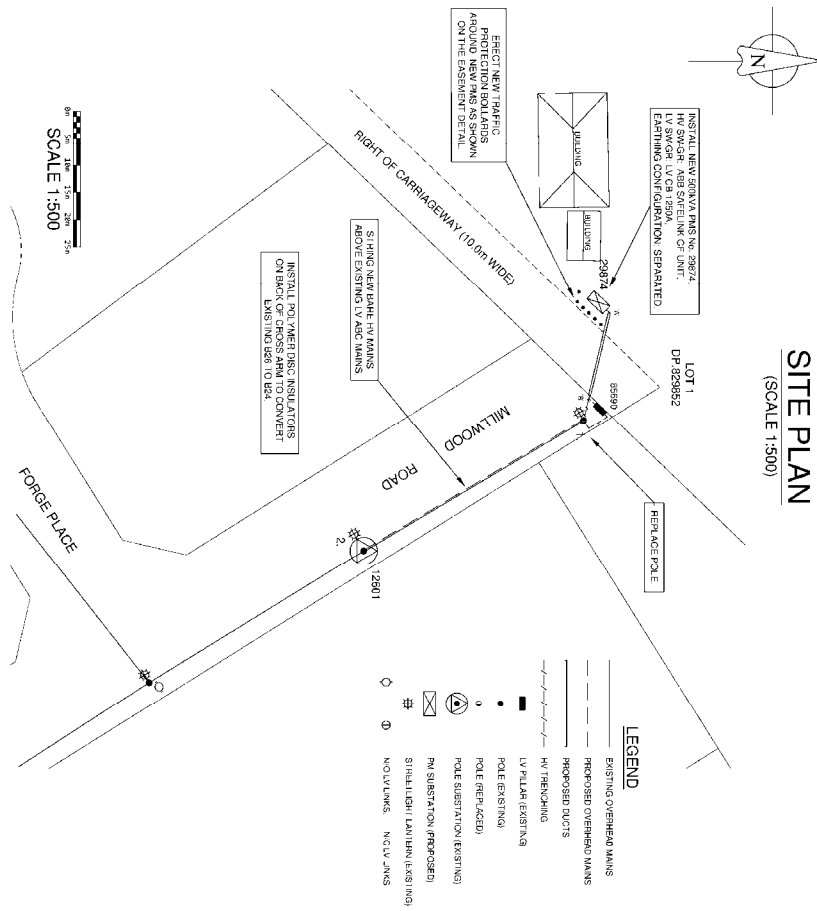


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SUBJECT: MARCH REVIEW OF THE 2011/12 BUDGET
FROM: Director Governance
BINDER: 2011/12 Budget

PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report presents the March Quarterly Budget Review for the 2011/12 financial year in accordance with Part 9, Division 3, Clause 203 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005*.

Its purpose is to inform Council of the necessary changes to the 2011/12 Budget since the adoption of the December Review of the 2011/12 budget and to consider other changes put forward for determination.

SUMMARY OF BUDGET POSITION

In adopting the December Review of the 2011/12 Budget, Council approved a balanced budget position. Budget adjustments identified at the March Review represent a projected budget surplus for the 2011/12 financial year of \$784,869.

The projected surplus is above Council's minimum working funds level of \$1,000,000.

The improvement in the projected surplus is predominately a result of increased levels of development activity and additional rate income through supplementary rates.

ALLOCATION OF THE 2011/12 BUDGET SURPLUS

It is recommended that the surplus of \$784,869 be used to reduce Council's loan borrowings for 2011/12 and continue to provide funding for the staff accommodation requirements through a transfer to the Central Administration Building Reserve.

BUDGET SURPLUS ALLOCATION		
Budget Surplus Available for Allocation		\$784,869
Reduction in 2011/12 Loan Borrowings Amount	\$717,000	
Central Administration Building – Transfer to Reserve	\$67,869	
Total - Allocation of Budget Surplus		\$784,869
Budget Surplus Balance After Allocation		\$0

Loan Borrowings Reduction

Council in adopting the 2011/12 Delivery Program and Budget approved an increase in loan borrowings from \$1.6 million to \$2.317 million. The purpose of the increase was to fund through loan borrowings, additional capital projects which could not be funded by general revenue when the original budget was adopted in June 2011.



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It is recommended that these projects be funded from the projected budget surplus. This would reduce Council's loan borrowing requirement to \$1.6 million, which is the recurrent amount Council borrows to complete its annual road improvement program.

This proposal will save Council approximately \$328,000 in interest over the life of the loan (assuming a 10 year loan at current market rates).

Central Administration Building Reserve

It is recommended that the remaining surplus of \$67,869 be allocated to the Central Administration Building Reserve for the purpose of increasing cash reserves for future staff accommodation requirements.

CURRENT RESERVE BALANCES

The balance of the Working Funds Reserve, Central Administration Building Reserve and Capital Works Reserve are as follows:

Working Funds Reserve (uncommitted) - \$4,266

The uncommitted balance of the Working Funds Reserve reported to Council at the December Review was \$2,184,066. This amount has been allocated to the 2012/13 budget as follows:

WORKING FUNDS RESERVE	
2012/13 Budget Funding	\$290,800
Capital Works Priorities	\$1,374,000
Central Administration Building Transfer	\$515,000
Allocation of Funds – 2012/13 Budget	\$2,179,800

The proposed transfers are still on public exhibition as part of the Draft Amended Delivery Program and Operational Plan (2012/13 budget) which Council will consider for adoption at its next meeting 26 June 2012.

It is recommended that the residual balance of this reserve \$4,266 be transferred to the Central Administration Building Reserve.

Central Administration Building Reserve - \$2,961,575

The Central Administration Building Reserve was established as part of the planning for a new central administration building. The current balance of the Central Administration Building Reserve has been funded by the following transfers:

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING RESERVE	
Property Sales – Narellan Precinct	\$925,000
2010/11 Year End Budget Surplus	\$1,000,000
2011/12 Original Budget	\$1,134,200
Less: Investigation & Planning Costs	(\$97,625)
Current Balance of Reserve	\$2,961,575
Proposed Transfers – March Review	
Projected March Surplus	\$67,869
Residual Balance – Working Funds Reserve	\$4,266
Proposed Balance of Reserve	\$3,033,710
2012/13 Proposed Budget Transfers	
2012/13 Original Budget Transfer	\$433,800
Transfer from Working Funds Reserve	\$515,000
Total Committed Funds	\$3,982,510

If Council approves the transfers of \$67,869 (forms part of the March Quarterly Budget Review projected surplus) and \$4,266 (residual balance of working funds reserve), the total committed funds towards the construction of a new central administration building will be \$3,982,510 into 2012/13.

Capital Works Reserve (uncommitted) - \$421,600

The uncommitted balance of the Capital Works Reserve is \$421,600. The Capital Works Reserve is predominately used to fund emergency capital works or to match grant funding as part of a capital grant funding agreement.

MAIN REPORT- MARCH REVIEW OF THE 2011/12 BUDGET

Further information and explanation of the increase in the projected budget surplus for 2011/12 is detailed below:

NOTE 1 – PROPOSED VARIATIONS TO BUDGET

Proposed variations between the adoption of the December Review for 2011/12 and the March Review for 2011/12 have led to a projected budget surplus of \$784,869. A list of the variations (greater than \$15,000) is provided in the following table and brief explanations below.

MARCH REVIEW OF THE 2011/12 BUDGET PROPOSED VARIATIONS	Budget Impact Increase / (Decrease)
INCOME ADJUSTMENTS	
Note: Increase in income is an increase in working funds	
Shortfall in income is a decrease in working funds	
1. Development Fees & Charges Income Increase	\$362,626
2. Supplementary Rates Income Increase	\$342,350
Variations under \$15,000 - Various Increases	\$51,083
Sub Total - Income Adjustments	\$756,059
MARCH REVIEW OF THE 2011/12 BUDGET PROPOSED VARIATIONS (Continued)	Budget Impact Increase / (Decrease)
EXPENDITURE ADJUSTMENTS	
Note: Increase in expenditure is a decrease in working funds	
Savings in expenditure is an increase in working funds	
3. Fleet Management Vehicle Expense Savings	\$83,462
4. Street Lighting Expenditure Increase	(\$45,000)
5. Council Properties Electricity Expense Increase	(\$34,550)
6. Corporate Salaries Expense Savings	\$41,571
7. State Emergency Service Vehicle Expense Increase	(\$20,000)
Variations under \$10,000 - Various Savings	\$3,327
Sub Total - Expenditure Adjustments	\$28,810
TOTAL - PROPOSED VARIATIONS TO BUDGET	\$784,869

1. Development Fees & Charges Income – Increase in Income of \$362,626

Development income continues to exceed budget expectations. Council has received a number of Development Applications of high value this quarter which reflects the high development activity in the release areas of Spring Farm, Elderslie, Oran Park and Turner Road. The level of income received from development activity is primarily dependent on the receipt of applications from developers, and as such is somewhat difficult to project given the unprecedented growth Council is experiencing.

2. Supplementary Rates Income Increase – Increase in Income of \$342,350

Supplementary rate income is received upon the re-zoning or subdivision of land. It is additional rate income to the amount levied at the beginning of 2011/12. The increase in rate income is primarily due to new lots created through subdivisions in the Spring Farm, Elderslie, Oran Park and Turner Road land release areas.

3. Fleet Management Vehicle Expense – Decrease in Expense of \$83,462

This reduction in expenditure is a result of a decrease in the number of vehicles in Council's fleet and a reduction in operating costs.

4. Street Lighting Expenditure – Increase in Expense of \$45,000

Street lighting charges have exceeded budget expectations due to continued network expansion. This has led to additional expenditure for street lighting maintenance, and an increase in the consumption of electricity required for an expanding service base.

This increase is not a result of price increases. Council is currently in a fixed price agreement for the supply of street lighting electricity which is due to be re-negotiated by the end of this calendar year.

5. Council Properties Electricity Expense – Increase in Expense of \$34,550

This increase is primarily a result of an increase in the network charges. Network charges are what it costs the provider to use the network (infrastructure) that delivers Council's electricity.

6. Corporate Salaries Expense – Decrease in Expense of \$41,571

A number of adjustments to salary estimates have been required as a result of positions being filled at entry level rates of remuneration.

7. State Emergency Service Vehicle Expense – Increase in Expense of \$20,000

Council recently donated a truck to the SES which was refurbished using an SES grant. The current operating budget for the SES fleet needs to be increased as a result of the additional truck. The donated truck has been replaced by a new truck in Council's fleet.

NOTE 2 – COUNCIL AUTHORISED VARIATIONS

Council has authorised four (4) budget variations since the adoption of the December Review of the 2011/12 budget.

COUNCIL APPROVED VARIATIONS	Expenditure Increase / (Decrease)	Income Increase / (Decrease)	Budget Impact Increase / (Decrease)
RTA Blackspot Program - Werombi Road Council Resolution 19/12 - 31/01/2012	\$116,000	\$116,000	\$0
Domestic Waste - Truck Purchases Council Resolution 28/12 - 14/02/2012	\$66,793	\$66,793	\$0
Road Improvements - Land Purchases Council Resolution 37/12 - 14/02/2012 Council Resolution 54/12 - 28/02/2012	\$4,239,745	\$4,239,745	\$0
RTA Blackspot Program - Elizabeth Macarthur Ave Council Resolution 72/12 - 27/03/2012	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$0
TOTAL - COUNCIL APPROVED VARIATIONS	\$4,429,538	\$4,429,538	\$0

NOTE 3 – CONTRA ADJUSTMENTS

This section deals with all offsetting adjustments between income and expenditure or a transfer of funds between allocations. These adjustments have no impact on Council's projected budget result as both movements of income and expenditure are of equal value.

During the period 1 January 2012 to 31 March 2012, a number of contra adjustments have taken place amounting to a total of \$463,803 (an increase in both income and expenditure). For a detailed list of these adjustments, **please refer to attachment 1 provided in the business paper.**

NOTE 4 – EXPENDITURE REVOTES

To assist Council in framing a realistic and accurate 2012/13 Budget, Managers and Directors are encouraged to identify any programmed works/projects that will not commence or be completed by 30 June 2012. There were eighteen (18) revotes submitted by Managers and Directors at the March Review.

PROPOSED EXPENDITURE REVOTES	Total Revote	General Fund	Other Funds
Lodges Road & Hilder Street Reconstruction (Dept of Planning Loan Reserve)	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000
Domestic Waste - Truck Purchases (Domestic Waste Reserves)	\$746,793	\$0	\$746,793
Elderslie Link Road Construction (Section 94 Contributions)	\$700,000	\$0	\$700,000
Road Improvements - Richardson Road (Infrastructure Renewal Program & General Fund)	\$470,600	\$274,600	\$196,000
Ron Dine Reserve - New Clubhouse Facilities (Federal Government Grant Income)	\$240,000	\$0	\$240,000
Camden Town Farm Trade Training Centre (State Government Grant Income)	\$180,000	\$0	\$180,000
Macarthur Road Traffic Management (Section 94 Contributions)	\$150,000	\$0	\$150,000
Road Improvements - Waterworth Drive (Infrastructure Renewal Program)	\$142,286	\$0	\$142,286
Renewable Energy Offsets Program (State Government Grant Income)	\$140,000	\$0	\$140,000
Mount Annan Leisure Centre Stage 2 Design (Section 94 Contributions)	\$122,260	\$0	\$122,260
Stage 2 Kirkham Netball Courts (State Government Grant Income & Club Cont.)	\$63,318	\$0	\$63,318
Elderslie Sportsgrounds Studies (Section 94 Contributions)	\$60,000	\$0	\$60,000
Nepean River Trail Improvements (State Government Grant & Internal Reserves)	\$60,000	\$0	\$60,000
Camden Valley Way / Hilder St Intersection (Section 94 Contributions)	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000

PROPOSED EXPENDITURE REVOTES (Cont.)	Total Revote	General Fund	Other Funds
Botanical Gardens Recreational Path (State Government Grant & Internal Reserves)	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000
Camden Pool Redevelopment (State Government Grant & Stormwater Levy)	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000
Camden Cemetery - Columbarium Construction (General Fund)	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$0
Natural Resources - Biodiversity Strategy (State Government Grant Income)	\$30,000	\$0	\$30,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE REVOTES	\$5,295,257	\$314,600	\$4,980,657

For a detailed explanation of the revotes identified as part of the review, **please refer to attachment 1 provided in the business paper.**

NOTE 5 – 2011/12 LIST OF UNFUNDED WORKS AND SERVICES

In preparing the Amended 2011/12 Delivery Program, Council officers undertook a review of all unfunded works and services which support the Community Strategic Plan, Camden 2040, the Resource Strategy and the four year Delivery Program.

As reported to Council on the 8 May 2012 as part of the Amended 2011/12 Delivery Program and 2012/13 Operational Plan (budget), an improved budget position for 2012/13 has allowed Council to fund a number of staffing positions and capital works priorities which were previously shown on the list of Unfunded Works and Services. The Amended 2011/12 Delivery Program and 2012/13 Operational Plan (budget) is currently on public exhibition.

A revised list of Unfunded Works and Services will be circulated to Councillors upon formal adoption of the Amended Delivery Program and Operational Plan.

NOTE 6 – COUNCILLOR CONSOLIDATED WARD FUNDS

To further assist Councillors in understanding the total available funds for consideration at each budget review, the following table is provided. This table is to inform Councillors of the current balance of Consolidated Ward Funds, and where funds have been spent in this financial year.

CONSOLIDATED WARD FUNDS	
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$30,000
PROJECTS FUNDED IN 2011/12	
Senior Citizens Building Curtain Cleaning Council Resolution 158/11 - 12/07/2011	\$4,100
Macarthur BMX Club - Fee Refund Council Resolution 205/11 - 13/09/2011	\$839

CONSOLIDATED WARD FUNDS	
Community Small Grants Program Transfer Council Resolution 308/11 - 13/12/2011	\$13,000
Narellan Anglican Church - Fee Refund Council Resolution 297/11 - 13/12/2011	\$634
Camden Junior AFL Club – Fee Refund Council Resolution 23/12 – 31/01/2012	\$1,525
Anzac Run Gold Sponsorship Council Resolution 21/12 – 31/01/2012	\$3,182
Cystic Fibrosis Swimathon Council Resolution ORD 58/12 – 13/03/2012	\$700
Camden Show 2012 Council Resolution ORD 59/12 – 13/03/2012	\$3,000
Narellan Scout Group - Fee Refund Council Resolution ORD 118/12 – 22/05/2012	\$498
TOTAL PROJECTS FUNDED IN 2011/12	\$27,478
BALANCE OF CONSOLIDATED WARD FUNDS FOR 2011/12	\$2,522

SUMMARY OF MARCH REVIEW ADJUSTMENTS

The following table is a summary of budget adjustments up to 31 March 2012.

SUMMARY OF BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS	Expenditure Increase / (Decrease)	Income Increase / (Decrease)	Budget Impact Increase / (Decrease)
2010/11 Carried Forward Working Funds Balance			\$1,000,000
2011/12 Adopted Budget Position			\$0
LESS: Minimum Desired Level of Working Funds			(\$1,000,000)
Total Available Working Funds 01/07/2011			\$0
2011/12 September Review Adjustments	\$5,242,056	\$5,242,056	\$0
2011/12 December Review Adjustments	\$3,415,007	\$3,415,007	\$0
Total Available Working Funds as at 31/12/2011			\$0
2011/12 March Review Adjustments			
NOTE 1: Proposed Variations	(\$31,448)	\$753,421	\$784,869
NOTE 2: Authorised Variations	\$4,429,538	\$4,429,538	\$0
NOTE 3: Contra Adjustments	(\$463,803)	(\$463,803)	\$0
NOTE 4: Revotes (Budget Carry-Overs)	(\$5,295,257)	(\$5,295,257)	\$0

Total - March Review Adjustments	(\$1,360,970)	(\$576,101)	\$784,869
TOTAL AVAILABLE WORKING FUNDS			\$784,869

STATEMENT BY RESPONSIBLE ACCOUNTING OFFICER

The following statement is made in accordance with Clause 203(2) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2005*:

It is my opinion that the Quarterly Budget Review Result for Camden Council for the period ending 31 March 2012 indicates that Council's projected financial position is satisfactory. No remedial actions are required based on the financial position presented within this report.

CONCLUSION

Council continues to realise additional income through growth. The quarter identified a projected surplus of \$784,869 predominately due to increases in supplementary rate income and development income.

Officers have recommended that the majority of the surplus be allocated to reducing Council's loan borrowings for 2011/12 from \$2.317 million to \$1.6 million, a reduction of \$717,000. The reduction in loan borrowings will save Council approximately \$328,000 in loan interest over the life of the loan. Council currently maintains a recurrent loan program of \$1.6 million per year to fund its road reconstruction program.

As Council grows it will have less of a reliance on recurrent loan borrowings in the future.

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. approve the necessary budget adjustments as identified in the categories of 'Proposed Variations', 'Contra Variations' and 'Expenditure Revotes' of this report.**
- ii. approve the allocation of the March Quarterly Budget Review projected surplus as follows:**

BUDGET SURPLUS ALLOCATION		
Budget Surplus Available for Allocation		\$784,869
Reduction in 2011/12 Loan Borrowings Amount	\$717,000	
Central Administration Building Reserve Transfer	\$67,869	
Total - Allocation of Budget Surplus		\$784,869
Budget Surplus Balance After Allocation		\$0

- iii. Transfer the residual balance of the Working Funds Reserve of \$4,266 to the Central Administration Building Reserve.**



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ATTACHMENTS

1. Budget Appendix
2. QBRs Report

Summary of Budget Review Variations Greater Than \$15,000

March Review of the 2011/12 Budget

Change In Vote			Description	Comments
Expense	Income	Totals		
\$	\$	\$		
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1) Proposed Budget Variations				
Proposed variations to the 2011/12 Budget based on income received and expenditure payments to date are as follows:				
14,869	889,169	874,300	Surplus / (Deficit) - Proposed Budget Variations September 2011/12 Review	
(151,611)	9,375	160,986	Surplus / (Deficit) - Proposed Budget Variations December 2011/12 Review	
-	362,626	362,626	Development & Planning - Fees & Charges Income	Development income continues to exceed budget expectations. Council has received a number of Development Applications of high value this quarter which reflects the high development activity in the release areas of Spring Farm, Elderslie, Oran Park and Turner Road. The level of income received from development activity is primarily dependent on the receipt of applications from developers, and as such is somewhat difficult to project given the unprecedented growth Council is experiencing.
17,000	359,350	342,350	Rate Income - Supplementary Rates Income*	Supplementary rate income is received upon the re-zoning or subdivision of land. It is additional rate income to the amount levied at the beginning of 2011/12. The increase in rate income is primarily due to new lots created through subdivisions in the Spring Farm, Elderslie, Oran Park and Turner Road land release areas.
(103,100)	(19,638)	83,462	Fleet Management - Vehicle Expenses*	This reduction in expenditure is a result of a decrease in the number of vehicles in Council's fleet and a reduction in operating costs. A number of recently filled positions within Council's staffing structure where a vehicle was previously offered as part of the employment conditions have been filled without a vehicle. Savings are also a result of the ongoing conversion of Council's existing fleet to smaller, more economical vehicles.
45,000	-	(45,000)	Street Lighting - Maintenance & Electricity Supply	Street lighting charges have exceeded budget expectations due to continued network expansion. This has led to additional expenditure for street lighting maintenance, and an increase in the consumption of electricity required for an expanding service base. This increase is not a result of price increases. Council is currently in a fixed price agreement for the supply of street lighting electricity which is due to be renegotiated at the end of this year.
34,550	-	(34,550)	Council Properties - Electricity Expenses	This increase is primarily a result of an increase in the network charges. Network charges are what it cost the provider to use the network (infrastructure) that delivers Council's electricity.
(41,571)	-	41,571	Corporate Salaries - Salary & Overhead Adjustments	A number of adjustments to salary estimates have been required as a result of positions being filled at entry level rates of remuneration.
20,000	-	(20,000)	State Emergency Services - Vehicle Expenses	Council recently donated a truck to the SES which was refurbished using an SES grant. The current operating budget for the SES fleet needs to be increased as a result of the additional truck. The donated truck has been replaced by a new truck in Council's fleet.
(3,327)	51,083	54,410	Variations under \$15,000	
(31,448)	753,421	784,869	Surplus / (Deficit) - Proposed Budget Variations March 2011/12 Review	
(168,190)	1,651,965	1,820,155	Surplus / (Deficit) - Net Impact of Variations 2011/12	
* It should be noted where net increases or reductions have been shown within the main Council Report the income and expenditure column will not reconcile, as the two are separated within this attachment.				

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2) Council Approved Budget Variations				
Since adopting the December Review of the 2011/12 Budget, Council has authorised the following changes to the budget:				
3,654,907	2,780,607	(874,300)	Surplus / (Deficit) - Authorised Variations September 2011/12 Budget Review	
1,792,108	1,631,122	(160,986)	Surplus / (Deficit) - Authorised Variations December 2011/12 Budget Review	
116,000	-	-	Werombi Road Improvements - Additional Funding	Authorised Council Resolution 19/12 - 31/01/2012
-	116,000	-	RTA Blackspot Program - Grant Income	
66,793	-	-	Domestic Waste - Truck Purchases	Authorised Council Resolution 28/12 - 14/02/2012
-	66,793	-	Domestic Waste - Transfer from Reserve	
4,239,745	-	-	Road Improvements - Land Purchases	Authorised Council Resolution 37/12 - 14/02/2012
-	4,239,745	-	Section 94 Contributions - Transfer from Reserve	Authorised Council Resolution 54/12 - 28/02/2012
7,000	-	-	Elizabeth Macarthur Avenue Intersection Treatment	Authorised Council Resolution 72/12 - 27/03/2012
-	7,000	-	RTA Blackspot Program - Grant Income	
4,429,538	4,429,538	-	Surplus / (Deficit) - Authorised Variations March 2011/12 Budget Review	
9,876,553	8,841,267	(1,035,286)	Surplus / (Deficit) - Council Approved Variations 2011/12	
3) Contra Adjustments				
Contra adjustments that have no impact on Council's Budget:				
1,572,280	1,572,280	-	September 2011/12 Contra Adjustments	
5,102,760	5,102,760	-	December 2011/12 Contra Adjustments	
(295,200)	-	-	Corporate Salaries & Overheads	Savings primarily reflect vacancies within Council's staffing structure. Savings from vacant positions are used to fund Council's vacancy provision target and is also required to fund a number of property related projects which require the use of contract staff for completion. Savings are also to be used to offset the additional recruitment costs which has been required to fill these vacant positions.
30,000	-	-	Corporate Management - Recruitment Related Costs	
18,000	-	-	Governance - Property Related Matters	
247,200	-	-	Corporate Management - Staff Vacancy Provision	
15,000	-	-	Community Engagement - Website Upgrade	
25,000	-	-	Corporate Services - Information Technology	
15,000	-	-	Risk Management - Business Continuity Planning	
14,000	-	-	Risk Management - WH&S Systems Review	
15,000	-	-	Corporate Planning - Service Levels Review	
40,000	-	-	Camden LGA Entry Signage Improvements	
50,000	-	-	Capital Works - Project Delivery	
40,000	-	-	Camden Cemetery - Capital Works	
50,000	-	-	Council Properties - Works Depot Study	
23,000	-	-	Council Properties - Rheinbergers Cottage	
(287,000)	-	-	Corporate Management - Staff Vacancy Provision	
-	100,000	-	Domestic Waste - Fees & Charges Income	Service growth calculations for Council's waste management service have exceeded budget expectations for 2011/12. This is as a result of the higher than anticipated development activity within the Elderslie and Spring Farm release areas, and the recent addition of new services in Oran Park and Turner Road. As a result of this growth, additional expenditure has been realised in staffing and disposal costs. Plant running costs have exceeded budget estimates primarily as a result of additional scheduled maintenance and a higher than expected fuel price compared to original budget projections. Disposal costs have also exceeded budget estimates as a result of extended periods of rain over the summer period. The increase in operational expenditure is to be funded from domestic waste operational reserves.
-	(46,200)	-	Domestic Waste - Investment Income	
180,000	-	-	Domestic Waste - Plant Expenditure	
32,730	-	-	Domestic Waste - Salaries & Wages	
105,100	-	-	Domestic Waste - Disposal Costs	
(41,600)	-	-	Domestic Waste - Other Expenses	
(28,180)	194,250	-	Domestic Waste - Transfer to/from Reserve	

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117,606	-	-	Corporate Salaries - Termination Payments	This increase reflects payments made to employees on resignation and retirement. Payments made to employees on retirement and resignation are funded from Council's ELE Provisions Reserve.
-	117,606	-	Corporate Management - ELE Reserve Funding	
112,800	-	-	Public Works Plant - Additional Drainage Truck	Council was advised at its meeting 14 February 2012, that the purchase of a new drainage truck would exceed the original budget estimate by \$112,800. It is proposed that this shortfall be funded from savings identified in the partial reconstruction of Catherine Field Road. Savings from Catherine Field Road is primarily as result of recycling materials for road reconstruction.
(112,800)	-	-	Road Improvements - Catherine Field Road	
(87,945)	-	-	Roads to Recovery Program Expenditure	Works have recently been completed on Harrington Street and Cashmere Drive. These improvements were funded under the Roads to Recovery program. Savings were achieved through project delivery and will be used for future road improvements in accordance with the Roads to Recovery funding agreement.
87,945	-	-	Grant Reserve - Transfer to Reserve	
50,000	-	-	Development & Planning - Legal Expenses	Legal expenditure is extremely difficult to predict and largely depends on the number of matters Council requires specialist advice on during the year. Council has been required to attend to a number of Land & Environment court matters during the 2011/12 financial year. This additional expense has been offset against income received for the reimbursement of costs associated with legal action Council has taken this financial year and in previous financial years.
-	50,000	-	Regulatory Compliance - Legal Income	
32,900	38,439	-	ELE Payments - Payments to/from Other Councils	Allocations are required to reflect the leave entitlements owed to staff which are transferable between Councils upon commencement & resignation. Income received is restricted to Council's ELE Reserve and expenditure made to other Councils is funded from the ELE Reserve.
-	(5,539)	-	ELE Reserve - Transfer from Reserve	
30,100	-	-	Road Improvements - Holdsworth Drive	Additional funding has been required to complete road improvements at Holdsworth Drive. It is proposed to defer works at Kirkham Street to fund this additional cost. Kirkham Street will be subject to work by Sydney Water for a major water main.
(30,100)	-	-	Road Improvements - Kirkham Street	
(30,000)	-	-	Planning Services - Contributions Plan Review	Council adopted the 2011 Camden Contributions Plan in April 2012. The preparation and review of the plan was completed by Council officers resulting in a savings to the budget. The savings will be returned to the Section 94 cash reserve.
-	(30,000)	-	Section 94 Contributions - Transfer from Reserve	
25,247	-	-	Planning Studies - Rezoning Studies	Continuation of pre development application planning studies for various rezonings on behalf of development consortiums.
-	25,247	-	Developer Contributions - Planning Studies	
(22,500)	-	-	Road Improvements - Welling Drive / Waterworth Drive	Council at its meeting 8 November 2011 approved works to be completed at the roundabout intersection at Welling Drive & Waterworth Drive Mount Annan. The funding source for the additional works is the Capital Works Reserve. These works have been completed within existing budget allocations. It is proposed that the approved allocation be re-directed to traffic improvements required on Argyle Street and Southdown Road Elderslie.
16,500	-	-	Pedestrian Crossing Improvement - Argyle Street	
6,000	-	-	Pedestrian Crossing Improvement - Southdown Road	
20,000	-	-	Rural Fire - Camden West Building Preliminaries	Preliminary works have commenced on the construction of the new fire station for the Camden West RFS. These works will be funded through the State Government Rural Fire Fighting Fund.
-	20,000	-	Rural Fire - Capital Subsidy Income	
463,803	463,803	-	March 2011/12 Contra Adjustments	
7,138,843	7,138,843	-	Total Contra Variations 2011/12	

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4) Revotes for the 2011/12 Year to be included in the 2012/13 Budget				
Budget adjustments which have are proposed to be carried forward into the 2012/13 Budget:				
-	-	-	Total Revotes Identified for September Period	
(4,008,250)	(4,008,250)	-	Total Revotes Identified for December Period	
(2,000,000)	-		Road Improvements - Lodges Road Upgrade	The closure of Lodges Road was deferred as a result of delays in re-opening Springs Road. Works have now commenced and will continue in accordance with the agreed work program.
-	(2,000,000)		Infrastructure Loan - Transfer from Reserve	
(746,793)	-		Domestic Waste - Truck Purchases	This revote was approved by Council on the 14 February 2012 - ORD 28/12. A detailed evaluation of Council's plant requirements has led to delays in placing orders for two replacement trucks within Council's waste fleet.
-	(646,793)		Domestic Waste - Transfer from Reserve	
-	(100,000)		Domestic Waste - Plant Sales Income	
(700,000)	-		Road Improvements - Elderslie Link Road Construction	The commencement of works on the Elderslie Link Road was deferred as a result of delays in re-opening Springs Road. Works have now commenced and will continue in accordance with the agreed work program.
-	(700,000)		Section 94 Contributions - Transfer from Reserve	
(470,600)	-		Road Improvements - Richardson Road	Road improvements on Richardson Road cannot commence until Lodges Road is re-opened. Works will be completed as part of the 2012/13 Road Reconstruction Program.
-	(196,000)		SRV Infrastructure Renewal - Transfer from Reserve	
274,600	-		Revotes Reserve - Transfer to Reserve	
(240,000)	-		Ron Dine Reserve - New Clubhouse Facilities	The design stage of this project has been extended due to a review of the original design, development of concept options, and ongoing consultation with key stakeholders.
-	(240,000)		Grant Income - Community Infrastructure Grant	
(180,000)	-		Camden Town Farm Trade Training Centre	Confirmation of the funding for this project has only recently been received. This has led to significant delays in the delivery of the project.
-	(180,000)		Grant Income - Dept of Education and Communities	
(150,000)	-		Road Improvements - Macarthur Road Traffic Mgmt	Further investigation is required to develop a detailed traffic management strategy for the Elderslie & Spring Farm Release areas. Traffic management initiatives for Macarthur Road will be considered in the development of a detailed traffic management plan for these areas. It is anticipated that these investigations will be completed in 2012/13.
-	(150,000)		Section 94 Contributions - Transfer from Reserve	
(142,286)	-		Road Improvements - Waterworth Drive	Works have been delayed as a result of public utility works which have recently been completed on Waterworth Drive. Works will be completed as part of the 2012/13 Road Reconstruction Program.
-	(142,286)		SRV Infrastructure Renewal - Transfer from Reserve	
(140,000)	-		Council Properties - Renewable Energy Offsets Program	Funds are required for committed costs of project. This project is funded by WaSIP Grant (State Government) income.
-	(140,000)		Grant Income - WaSIP Funding	
(122,260)	-		Mount Annan Leisure Centre Stage 2 Design	Initial Geotech and survey reports have recently been completed for this site. The balance of funds for this project are to be transferred to 2012/13 for detailed design.
-	(122,260)		Section 94 Contributions - Transfer from Reserve	
(63,318)	-		Park Improvements - Stage 2 Kirkham Netball Courts	Funds required to undertake balance of works remaining. This project is funded by a grant received by the Netball club under the Community Builders Grant Program.
63,318	-		Contributions Reserve - Transfer to Reserve	
(60,000)	-		Park Improvements - Elderslie Sportsgrounds Studies	Funds are required to be carried forward to complete ongoing investigation and planning works relating to future Sportsground requirements in Elderslie.
-	(60,000)		Section 94 Contributions - Transfer from Reserve	
(60,000)	-		Nepean River Trail Improvements	This project is a grant funded project which is not required to be completed until 2012/13. It is requested that the balance of works to be completed in accordance with the funding agreement be carried forward into 2012/13.
-	(2,000)		Grant Income - Metropolitan Greenspace Program	
-	(28,000)		Capital Works Reserve - Transfer from Reserve	
-	(30,000)		Section 94 Contributions - Transfer from Reserve	

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(50,000)	-	-	Camden Valley Way / Hilder St Intersection	Further investigation is required to develop a detailed traffic management strategy for the Elderslie & Spring Farm Release areas. Traffic improvements at this intersection will be considered in the development of a detailed traffic management plan for these areas. It is anticipated that these investigations will be completed in 2012/13.
-	(50,000)	-	Section 94 Contributions - Transfer from Reserve	
(50,000)	-	-	Botanical Gardens Recreational Path	This project is a grant funded project which is not required to be completed until 2012/13. It is expected that a development application will be lodged this financial year, with works to be completed in 2012/13.
-	(25,000)	-	Grant Income - Metropolitan Greenspace Program	
-	(25,000)	-	Other Contributions - Landcom	
(50,000)	-	-	Camden Pool Redevelopment	The balance of funds allocated to the Camden Pool Redevelopment are required to be revoted for further site improvements.
-	(3,405)	-	Grant Reserve - Transfer from Reserve	
-	(46,595)	-	Stormwater Levy - Transfer from Reserve	
(40,000)	-	-	Camden Cemetery - Columbarium Construction	Works associated with the construction of a new columbarium at the Camden Cemetery are not expected to commence this financial year. A development application is currently being prepared and will be submitted before end of June 2012.
40,000	-	-	Revotes Reserve - Transfer to Reserve	
(30,000)	-	-	Natural Resources - Biodiversity Strategy	Funds are required for committed costs of project. This project is funded by WasIP Grant (State Government) Income.
30,000	-	-	Grant Reserve - Transfer to Reserve	
(4,887,339)	(4,887,339)	-	Total Revotes Identified for March Period	
(407,918)	(407,918)	-	Less: Revotes Shown as Expenses	
(5,295,257)	(5,295,257)	-	Total Revotes Identified for March Period	
(9,303,507)	(9,303,507)	-	Total Revotes Identified 2011/12	

Reconciliation to 'March Review of the 2011/12 Budget'

2010/11 Carried Forward Working Funds Balance	1,000,000	
2011/12 Adopted Budget Surplus	-	
Available Working Funds 01/07/11	1,000,000	
Less: Minimum Desired Level	(1,000,000)	
Total Funds Available	-	Total Available Working Funds as at 01/07/2011
September Review	874,300	Significant Budget Variations
	(874,300)	Council Approved Variations
	-	Budget Contra Variations
	-	Budget Revotes (Carry-Overs)
	-	Sub Total - September Review Variations
	-	Total Available Working Funds as at 30/09/2011
December Review	160,986	Significant Budget Variations
	(160,986)	Council Approved Variations
	-	Budget Contra Variations
	-	Budget Revotes (Carry-Overs)
	-	Sub Total - December Review Variations
	-	Total Available Working Funds as at 31/12/2011
March Review	784,869	Significant Budget Variations
	-	Council Approved Variations
	-	Budget Contra Variations
	-	Budget Revotes (Carry-Overs)
	784,869	Sub Total - March Review Variations
	784,869	Total Available Working Funds as at 31/03/2012

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Camden Council

Quarterly Budget Review Statement

For the period ending 31 March 2012

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Income & Expenses Budget Review StatementQuarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period 01/01/12 to 31/03/12Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2012
Income & Expenses Review

	Original Budget 2011/12	Changes		Revised Budget 2011/12	Variations for this Mar Qtr	Notes	Projected Year End Result
		Other than by a QBRs	Sept QBRs				
Operating Income							
Effectively Managing Camden's Growth	9,077,500	-	467,629	4,253,955	13,799,084	428,750	14,227,834
Healthy Urban and Natural Environments	16,207,500	368,348	171,540	(139,224)	16,608,164	70,381	16,678,545
A Prosperous Economy	7,000	-	6	-	7,006	-	7,006
Effective and Sustainable Transport	7,477,700	969,028	(8,617)	757	8,438,868	(646)	8,438,222
An Enriched and Enhanced Community	5,799,300	1,429,640	154,320	(718,206)	6,665,054	(411,275)	6,253,779
Strong Local Leadership	36,265,200	(431,516)	310,780	228,707	36,373,171	384,233	36,757,404
	74,834,200	2,335,500	1,095,658	3,625,989	81,891,347	471,443	82,362,790
Operating Expenses							
Effectively Managing Camden's Growth	6,955,900	-	442,469	124,856	7,523,225	(41,353)	7,481,872
Healthy Urban and Natural Environments	17,225,900	326,491	(18,773)	(175,605)	17,358,013	183,683	17,541,696
A Prosperous Economy	449,100	-	(110,753)	405	338,752	360	339,112
Effective and Sustainable Transport	13,692,100	21,000	290,268	(28,874)	13,974,494	77,213	14,051,707
An Enriched and Enhanced Community	9,437,800	123,181	56,071	141,889	9,758,941	32,223	9,791,164
Strong Local Leadership	14,357,500	12,620	226,267	481,735	15,078,122	74,604	15,152,726
	62,118,300	483,292	885,549	544,406	64,031,547	326,730	64,358,277
Net Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	12,715,900	1,852,208	210,109	3,081,583	17,859,800	144,713	18,004,513
Add:							
Non Cash Funded Depreciation	14,726,400	-	-	-	14,726,400	-	14,726,400
Funds from the Sale of Assets	668,400	(100,000)	(136,332)	-	432,068	-	432,068
Loan Borrowings	2,317,000	-	-	-	2,317,000	-	2,317,000
Transfer from Restricted Assets	13,429,200	15,848,033	1,176,363	(1,769,335)	28,684,261	(3,369,541)	25,314,720
	31,141,000	15,748,033	1,040,031	(1,769,335)	46,159,729	(3,369,541)	42,790,188
Less:							
Capital Purchases / Asset Acquisitions	31,434,700	17,600,241	(195,345)	(2,992,460)	45,847,136	(4,564,551)	41,282,585
Borrowing Expenses (Principal)	1,786,600	-	(42,200)	2,098	1,746,498	-	1,746,498
Transfer to Restricted Assets	10,635,600	-	1,487,685	4,302,610	16,425,895	554,854	16,980,749
	43,856,900	17,600,241	1,250,140	1,312,248	64,019,529	(4,009,697)	60,009,832
Net Budget Position Surplus / (Deficit)	-	-	-	-	-	784,869	784,869

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Camden Council
Income & Expenses Review Statement

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period 01/01/12 to 31/03/12

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2012
Recommended changes to revised budget

Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items (Greater than \$15,000):

Notes	Movement	Description
1	428,750	<p>Effectively Managing Camden's Growth - Increase in Income</p> <p>This adjustment relates primarily to an increase in development application fees and charges due to higher than expected development activity (\$362K), legal income received for the reimbursement of costs associated with legal action Council has taken this financial year and in previous financial years (\$50K), the Recoupment of costs relating to rezoning studies from developers (\$25K), and a number of other minor adjustments (\$8K).</p>
2	70,381	<p>Healthy Urban and Natural Environments - Increase in Income</p> <p>This adjustment relates primarily to an increase in waste management annual charges due to service growth calculations being above budget expectations (\$100K), an increase in noxious weeds grant income (\$12K), a reduction in income expected for the Botanical Gardens Recreation Path due to the re-voing of works to 2012/13 (\$50K) and a range of other minor income adjustments (\$8K).</p>
3	(411,275)	<p>An Enriched and Enhanced Community - Decrease in Income</p> <p>This adjustment relates primarily to the deferment of a number of capital works projects to 2012/13. Grant income for the construction of new clubhouse facilities at Ron Dine Reserve (\$240K) and the Camden Town Farm Education Facility (\$180K) are now expected to be received in 2012/13. There is also a number of other minor income adjustments required (\$9K).</p>
4	384,233	<p>Strong Local Leadership - Increase in Income</p> <p>Adjustments to income relate to an increase in rate income due to supplementary rates received as a result of urban development (\$359K), employee leave entitlements for new employees transferred from other Councils (\$38K), and the recognition of funding from the Rural Fire Fighting Fund to commence preliminary works on the Camden West brigade station (\$20K). A reduction in income has also been included as a result of the lower than expected pool of funds available for investment regarding Council's Waste Management Reserve (\$46K). A number of minor adjustments have also been required which have increased revenue forecasts (\$13K).</p>
5	(41,353)	<p>Effectively Managing Camden's Growth - Decrease in Expenses</p> <p>This adjustment relates primarily to savings from the completion of the Camden Contributions Plan review by Council staff (\$30K), a reduction in corporate travelling expenses due to reducing the size of Council's fleet (\$46K) and a range of staff related savings which have been allocated to the Vacancy Discount Factor (\$51K). Additional expenditure has been identified in the continuation of a number of rezoning studies on behalf of developers (\$25K) and an increase in legal expenditure as a result of a number of Land and Environment Court matters (\$50K). A range of other minor expenditure adjustments were also required (\$11K).</p>
6	183,683	<p>Healthy Urban and Natural Environments - Increase in Expenses</p> <p>This increase relates primarily to an increase in waste management service expenditure as a result of additional plant expenditure and disposal costs (\$279K), and additional GPT Cleaning and Maintenance required as a result of higher than expected wet weather (\$78K). Savings have been identified through staff vacancies which have been allocated to the Vacancy Discount Factor (\$69K), a reduction in corporate travelling expenses due to reducing the size of Council's fleet (\$33K), a reduction in street furniture maintenance requirements (\$25K), and the deferment of the preparation of the Biodiversity Strategy to 2012/13 (\$30K). A range of other minor expenditure adjustments were also required (\$16K).</p>

This statement forms part of the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for the quarter ended 31/03/2012 and should be read in conjunction with the rest of the report Page 2

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Income & Expenses Review Statement

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period 01/01/12 to 31/03/12

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2012
Recommended changes to revised budget

Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items (Greater than \$15,000):

Notes	Movement	Description
7	77,213	<p>Effective and Sustainable Transport - Increase in Expenses</p> <p>This increase relates primarily to additional street lighting expenditure due to continued urban development (\$45K) and an increase in projected expenditure to manage the works depot which is funded from furniture maintenance (\$25K). A range of other minor expenditure adjustments were also required (\$7K).</p>
8	32,223	<p>An Enriched and Enhanced Community - Increase in Expenses</p> <p>This adjustment relates to funding allocated to the upgrade of Council's website (\$15K) and additional library building costs as a result of an increase in electricity costs (\$19K). A number of other minor adjustments were also required (\$2K).</p>
9	74,604	<p>Strong Local Leadership - Increase in Expenses</p> <p>Major variations include an increase in electricity costs for Council's administration properties (\$16K), a reduction in Council's vacancy provision target as a result of vacant positions (\$120K), an increase in funding for a number of projects approved to be funded from the Vacancy Discount Factor (\$119K), an increase in payments made to employees on resignation or retirement which is funded from the ELE Reserve (\$48K) and an increase in plant expenditure for the SES due to an increase in vehicle numbers (\$20K). There is also a decrease in a range of corporate expenditure items (\$10K).</p>

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Capital Budget Review Statement

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
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Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2012
Capital Expenditure Review

	Original Budget 2011/12	Changes			Revised Budget 2011/12	Variations for this Mar Qtr	Notes	Projected Year End Result
		Other than by a QBRS	Sept QBRS	Dec QBRS				
Capital Expenditure								
New Assets (Council Delivery)								
Transport & Road Infrastructure	7,837,000	13,764,996	318,040	(1,800,000)	20,120,036	(2,903,825)	1	17,216,211
Community Facilities	392,000	2,025,525	94,166	(1,192,360)	1,319,331	(732,260)	2	587,071
Parks & Recreation	413,500	703,097	-	-	1,116,597	(236,818)	3	879,779
Plant & Equipment	375,000	-	-	-	375,000	112,800	4	487,800
Other	174,700	-	-	-	174,700	50,000	5	224,700
New Assets (Works In Kind)								
Transport & Road Infrastructure	6,634,200	-	-	-	6,634,200	-		6,634,200
Community Facilities	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Parks & Recreation	4,340,000	-	-	-	4,340,000	-		4,340,000
Stormwater & Drainage Improvements	4,554,000	-	-	-	4,554,000	-		4,554,000
Asset Renewal (Replacement)								
Transport & Road Infrastructure	3,396,500	1,397,955	(88,845)	(100)	4,705,510	(810,051)	6	3,895,459
Community Facilities	82,300	143,110	20,660	-	246,070	7,503		253,573
Parks & Recreation	90,600	83,500	-	-	174,100	-		174,100
Stormwater & Drainage Improvements	77,100	-	-	-	77,100	(72,900)	7	4,200
Council Properties	31,700	73,275	70,043	-	175,018	23,000	8	198,018
Plant & Equipment	2,422,800	(680,000)	(582,909)	-	1,159,891	-		1,159,891
Information Technology Upgrades	431,000	81,429	(27,500)	-	484,929	-		484,929
Other	182,300	7,354	1,000	-	190,654	(2,000)		188,654
Total Capital Expenditure	31,434,700	17,600,241	(195,345)	(2,992,460)	45,847,136	(4,564,551)		41,282,585
Capital Funding								
Rates & Untied Income	1,081,500	32,200	(107,260)	-	1,006,440	(276,920)	9	729,520
External Grant Income	959,600	2,637,002	(423,217)	(900,100)	2,273,285	(647,442)	10	1,625,843
Reserves:								
External Restrictions	9,095,000	14,099,224	328,348	(2,128,250)	21,394,322	(3,135,490)	11	18,258,832
Internal Restrictions	1,735,000	896,815	20,950	26,182	2,678,947	(416,381)	12	2,262,566
S94 Works In Kind Income (Non Cash)	15,528,200	-	-	-	15,528,200	-		15,528,200
New Loans	2,317,000	-	-	-	2,317,000	-		2,317,000
Receipts from Sale of Assets:								
- Plant & Equipment	668,400	(100,000)	(136,332)	-	432,068	-		432,068
- Land & Buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Other Funding	50,000	35,000	122,166	9,708	216,874	(88,318)	13	128,556
Total Capital Funding	31,434,700	17,600,241	(195,345)	(2,992,460)	45,847,136	(4,564,551)		41,282,585
Net Capital Funding	-	-	-	-	-	-		-

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Recommended changes to revised budget

Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items (Greater than \$15,000):

Notes	Movement	Description
1	(2,903,825)	Transport & Road Infrastructure (New Assets) - Decrease in Expenses This reduction in expense primarily relates to the re-voting of the following projects to 2012/13; Lodges Road Improvements (\$2m), Elderslie Link Road Construction (\$700K), Camden Valley Way / Hilder Street Intersection (\$50K), and Macarthur Road Traffic Management (\$150K). A number of minor adjustments have also been required (\$4K).
2	(732,260)	Community Facilities (New Assets) - Decrease in Expenses This reduction in expense primarily relates to the re-voting of the following projects to 2012/13; Town Farm Education Facility (\$180K), Ron Dine Reserve Clubhouse Facilities (\$240K), Renewable Energy Offsets Program (\$140K), Mount Annan Leisure Centre Stage 2 Design (\$122K) and the Camden Pool Redevelopment (\$50K).
3	(236,818)	Parks & Recreations (New Assets) - Decrease in Expenses This reduction in expense primarily relates to the re-voting of the following projects to 2012/13; Elderslie Sportsground Investigation (\$60K), Nepean River Network Trail (\$60K), Botanical Gardens Recreation Path (\$50K) and Kirkham Netball Courts Stage 2 Lighting (\$63K). A number of minor adjustments have also been required (\$4K).
4	112,800	Plant & Equipment (New Assets) - Increase in Expenses This increase relates to the additional cost of the Drainage Truck as reported to Council at its meeting 14 February 2012. The purchase of a new drainage truck will exceed original budget estimates by \$112,800
5	50,000	Other Infrastructure (New Assets) - Increase in Expenses This increase relates to additional funding allocated toward LGA entry signage improvements (\$40K), funding to commence preliminary works on the Camden West brigade station (\$20K) and a reduction in funds required for new waste bin purchases (\$10K).
6	(810,051)	Transport & Road Infrastructure (Asset Renewal) - Decrease in Expenses This reduction in expense primarily relates to the re-voting of Richardson Road Reconstruction (\$470K) and Waterworth Drive Reconstruction (\$142K) to 2012/13. Savings have also be achieved in the reconstruction of Catherine Field Road (\$112K) and the 2011/12 Roads to Recovery Program (\$86K).
7	(72,900)	Stormwater & Drainage Improvements (Asset Renewal) - Decrease in Expenses This adjustment is reflects the transfer of funds to the cleaning and maintenance of GPT's which is required as a result of higher than expected wet weather (\$73K).
8	23,000	Council Properties (Asset Renewal) - Increase in Expenses Additional funding has been allocated towards rectification works required at Rheinbergers Cottage (\$23K).
9	(276,920)	Rates & Untied Funding - Decrease in Income This reduction in funding relates to the re-voting of Richardson Road reconstruction to 2012/13 (\$277K).

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Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items (Greater than \$15,000):

Notes	Movement	Description
10	(647,442)	External Grant Income - Decrease in Income This reduction in income primarily relates to the re-voting of the following projects to 2012/13; Ron Dine Reserve Clubhouse Facilities (\$240K), Town Farm education facility (\$180K), Botanical Gardens Recreational Path (\$25K), Renewable Energy Offsets Program (\$140K). Savings from the Roads to Recovery Program have reduced expected grant income (\$86K), whilst additional funding has been recognised from the Rural Fire Fighting Fund to commence preliminary works on the Camden West brigade station (\$20K). Other minor adjustments were also required (\$4K).
11	(3,135,490)	Externally Restricted Reserves - Decrease in Transfer from Reserve This reduction in reserve transfers primarily relates to the re-voting of the following projects to 2012/13; Lodges Road Reconstruction (\$2m), Elderslie Link Road (\$700K), Macarthur Road Traffic Management (\$150K), Camden Valley Way / Hilder Street Intersection (\$50K), Elderslie Sportsground Investigation (\$60K), Mount Annan Leisure Centre Stage 2 Design (\$122K), and Camden Pool Redevelopment (\$46K). Other minor adjustments were also required (\$7K).
12	(416,381)	Internally Restricted Reserve - Decrease in Transfer from Reserve This reduction in reserve transfers primarily relates to the re-voting of the following projects to 2012/13; Nepean River Network Trail (\$30K), Richardson Road Reconstruction (\$196K), Waterworth Drive Reconstruction (\$142K) and the construction of a columbarium at the Camden Cemetery (\$40K). Other minor adjustments were also required (\$8K).
13	(88,318)	Other Capital Funding - Decrease in Income This reduction in income primarily relates to the re-voting of the following projects to 2012/13; Kirkham Netball Courts Stage 2 Lighting (\$63K) and the Botanical Gardens Recreation Path (\$25K).

Camden Council
Cash & Investments Budget Review Statement

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period 01/01/12 to 31/03/12

Projected Year End Cash Position ending 30 June 2012

Cash & Investments Review

	Original Budget 2011/12	Changes			Revised Budget 2011/12	Variations for this Mar Qtr	Notes	Projected Year End Balance
		Other than by a QBRs	Sept QBRs	Dec QBRs				
Externally Restricted								
Section 94 Developer Contributions	18,546,400	(3,947,839)	62,776	2,657,750	17,319,087	1,165,385	1	18,484,472
Infrastructure Loan (Lodges Road)	-	-	-	3,088,500	3,088,500	2,000,000	2	5,088,500
Domestic Waste Management	3,714,233	343,016	17,600	1,780	4,076,629	(223,370)	3	3,853,259
Specific Purpose Grants	16,099	48,308	(20,730)	1,062	44,739	261,350	4	306,089
Stormwater Management Levy	309,031	(115,316)	3,020	383	197,118	48,450	5	245,568
Development Acceleration Fund	162,100	391,983	(253,860)	419,440	719,663	34,439	6	754,102
Other Restricted Contributions	148,754	3,140	(48,815)	60,000	163,079	63,318	7	226,397
Total Externally Restricted	22,896,617	(3,276,708)	(240,009)	6,228,915	25,608,815	3,349,572		28,958,387
Internally Restricted								
Employee Leave Entitlements	2,055,988	(23,924)	(216,306)	(145,834)	1,669,924	(112,067)	8	1,557,857
Expenditure Revotes	-	-	-	-	-	314,600	9	314,600
Stormwater Works (General Fund)	167,228	172,929	-	-	340,157	-		340,157
Capital Works Reserve	797,535	(48,269)	-	-	749,266	30,000	10	779,266
Infrastructure Loan - Repayment Fund	2,821,100	-	-	-	2,821,100	-		2,821,100
Central Administration Building	2,059,200	1,000,000	(95,000)	(2,625)	2,961,575	-		2,961,575
Camden Town Centre Improvements	1,181,000	-	-	-	1,181,000	3,500		1,184,500
Water Savings Action Plan	18,600	(4,603)	19,200	-	33,197	-		33,197
Cemetery Improvements	299,969	12,072	-	57,800	369,841	-		369,841
Section 355 Management Committees	186,770	(50,159)	-	-	136,611	-		136,611
Camden Carparking	120,578	-	-	-	120,578	-		120,578
Risk Management	242,599	-	-	-	242,599	-		242,599
Working Funds Surplus	6,697	1,303,069	874,300	-	2,184,066	-		2,184,066
Major Plant Replacement	358,741	172,015	61,668	-	592,424	-		592,424
Commercial Waste Management	923,191	7,477	(900)	(21,685)	908,083	-		908,083
Council Elections	224,400	-	-	-	224,400	-		224,400
Community Infrastructure Renewal Program	91,900	29,043	(29,043)	-	91,900	338,286	11	430,186
Narellan Artycafe	38,900	(237)	-	(25,000)	13,663	-		13,663
Swimming Pool Repairs	-	40,060	(12,575)	(26,182)	1,303	-		1,303
Family Day Care Reserve	130,832	2,136	(41,170)	5,674	97,472	504		97,976
Community Facilities Reserve	8,843	-	(8,843)	-	-	-		-
Public Appeals Reserve	35,974	-	-	-	35,974	-		35,974
Engineering Deposits	361,626	(190,736)	-	881	171,771	-		171,771
Total Internally Restricted	12,131,671	2,420,873	551,331	(156,971)	14,946,904	574,823		15,521,727
Unrestricted (i.e. available after the above Restrictions)	7,528,558	(2,803,910)	760,312	501,695	5,986,655	545,920		6,532,575
Total Cash & Investments	42,556,846	(3,659,745)	1,071,634	6,573,639	46,542,374	4,470,315		51,012,689

Cash & Investments Statement

Investments have been invested in accordance with Council's Investment Policy.

The Cash at Bank amount for this period has been reconciled to Council's physical Bank Statements. The date of completion of this bank reconciliation is 31/03/2012.

Notes:

1. The uncommitted balance of the Capital Works Reserve is \$421,600
2. The uncommitted balance of the Central Administration Building Reserve is \$2,961,575
3. The uncommitted balance of the Working Funds Reserve is \$4,266

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Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2012
Recommended changes to revised budget

Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items (Greater than \$15,000):

Notes	Movement	Description
1	1,165,385	Section 94 Developer Contributions Reserve - Net Decrease in Transfer from Reserve This adjustment relates to the re-voting of the following projects to 2012/13; Elderslie Link Road (\$700K), Camden Valley Way / Hilder Street Intersection (\$50K), Macarthur Road Traffic Management (\$150K), Elderslie Sportsground Investigation (\$60K), Nepean River Network Trail (\$28K) and Mount Annan Leisure Centre Stage 2 Design (\$122K). Savings have also been realised through staff vacancy (\$35K) and the completion of the Camden Contributions Plan (\$30K). Other minor adjustments were also required (\$10K).
2	2,000,000	Infrastructure Loan Reserve - Net Decrease in Transfer from Reserve This adjustment relates to the re-voting of the upgrade of Lodges Road to 2012/13 (\$2m).
3	(223,370)	Domestic Waste Management Reserve - Net Increase in Transfer from Reserve This adjustment is a result of an increase in waste management service expenditure as a result of additional plant expenditure and disposal costs (\$279K), an increase in waste management annual charges due to service growth calculations being above budget expectations (\$100K), and a decrease in income as a result of the lower than expected pool of funds available for investment regarding Council Waste Management Reserve (\$46K).
4	261,350	Specific Purpose Grant Reserve - Net Increase in Transfer to Reserve This adjustment relates to the re-voting of the Preparation of a Biodiversity Strategy (\$30K) and the Renewable Energy Offsets Program (\$140K) to 2012/13. Savings from the Roads to Recovery Program have been restricted to reserve (\$86K), whilst a number of minor adjustments were also required (\$5K).
5	48,450	Stormwater Management Levy Reserve - Net Decrease in Transfer from Reserve This adjustment relates to the re-voting of the Camden Pool Redevelopment Project to 2012/13 (\$48K).
6	34,439	Development Acceleration Fund - Net Increase in Transfer to Reserve This adjustment is a result of staff vacancies within the Development Acceleration Program (\$34K). Savings are restricted for future expenditure in accordance with the funding agreement.
7	63,318	Other Restricted Contributions Reserve - Net Increase in Transfer to Reserve This restriction relates to the re-voting of Kirkham Netball Club Stage 2 Lighting Improvements (\$63K).
8	(112,067)	Employee Leave Entitlements Reserve - Net Increase in Transfer from Reserve Payments made to employees on resignation or retirement are funded from Council's ELE Reserve. Payments made during the third quarter of 2011/12 total \$117K. Leave entitlements are also transferable between Councils. Transfers to other Councils are funded from the Reserve, and payments received are restricted to the Reserve. The net effect of these transfers is \$5K.

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Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2012
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Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items (Greater than \$15,000):

Notes	Movement	Description
9	314,600	Expenditure Revotes - Net Increase in Transfer to Reserve This adjustment relates to the re-voting of Richardson Road Reconstruction (\$274K) and the Construction of a Columbarium at Camden Cemetery (\$40K) to 2012/13.
10	30,000	Capital Works Reserve - Net Decrease in Transfer from Reserve This restriction relates to the re-voting of Nepean River Network Trail (\$30K).
11	338,286	Community Infrastructure Renewal Program - Net Decrease in Transfer from Reserve This adjustment relates to the re-voting of Richardson Road Reconstruction (\$196K) and Waterworth Drive Reconstruction (\$142K) to 2012/13.

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Contracts Budget Review Statement

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Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2012
Contracts Budget Review

Contractor	Contract Detail & Purpose	Contract Value	Start Date	Duration of Contract	Budgeted (Y/N)
Lamond Contracting & Devcon Civil Pty Ltd	Streetscaping & Concrete Paving in Elderslie & Spring Farm	134,085	Jan 2012	Ongoing	Y
TJ & RJ Fordham	Lodges Road & Elderslie Link Road Construction	4,446,181	Mar 2012	6 Months	Y
Vac Jet Pty Ltd	Supply & Delivery of Drainage Truck	486,980	Apr 2012	N/A	Y

Notes:

1. Contracts listed are those entered into through a tender process during the quarter being reported and exclude contractors on Council's Preferred Supplier list.
2. Contracts for employment are not included in this list.

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Camden Council
Consultancy & Legal Expenses Statement

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Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2012
 Consultancy & Legal Expenses Overview

Expense	YTD Expense	Budgeted (Y/N)
Consultancies	331,735	Y
Legal Fees	248,068	Y

Definition of a consultant:

A consultant is a person or organisation engaged under contract on a temporary basis to provide recommendations or high level specialist or professional advice to assist decision making by management. Generally it is the advisory nature of the work that differentiates a consultant from other contractors.

Comments

Council has engaged consultants to prepare a number of rezoning studies and plans relating to land in the South West Growth Centre. These studies are at the costs of the developer and have no impact on the budget position. Council has also required specialist advice regarding a number of strategic property matters. Costs associated with these matters have been included in the expenditure totals above.



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ORDINARY COUNCIL

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SUBJECT: AFFIX SEAL OF COUNCIL TO SERVICE AGREEMENT AND VARIATION TO SERVICE AGREEMENT OF NSW DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES (DFACS), COMMUNITY SERVICES

FROM: Director Works & Services

BINDER: Community Planning and Development / FACS Community Services 2012-2013

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To gain Council approval to attach the Seal of Council to the NSW Department of Family and Community Services (DFACS), Community Services - Service Agreement and to a subsequent Variation to the Service Agreement, in relation to the provision of funding for the Community Services Projects. This funding has been included as income in the budget for the coming financial year.

BACKGROUND

DFACS, Community Services (formerly known as DOCS) has provided Council with funding for the following four positions:

- i. Community Projects Officer (Generalist) renewable since 1994 through the Community Services Grants Program (CSGP) now incorporated into the Strengthening Communities (SC) grants program.
- ii. Community Projects Officer (Community Builders, previously known as Area Assistance Scheme), fixed for 36 months under the Strengthening Communities (SC) grants program.
- iii. Community Projects Officer (Children and Families), renewable since 1993 through the Children's Services Program (CSP).

These positions are included in the current and future budgets based on the expectation of this funding.

- iv. Community Projects Officer (Town Farm Community Garden) fixed for 24 months under the Strengthening Communities (SC) grants program.

MAIN REPORT

The Community Project Officer (Generalist) position provides community organisations with networking and service development opportunities.

The Community Project Officer (Community Builders) position supports local groups seeking funding.

The Community Project Officer (Children and Families) position provides community groups supporting children and families with resources, timely dissemination of information, training opportunities and funding submission assistance, as well as ongoing support and advocacy on a day to day basis.

The Community Project Officer (Town Farm Community Gardens) has been accessing people with disabilities for social and recreational activities at the Town Farm Community Garden through the development of infrastructure, networks and workshops.

Prior to receiving funding from DFACS Community Services for the 2012/13 financial year, Council is required to enter into a Service Agreement.

Once the Service Agreement is signed and returned Council will receive the following funding including CPI applied to amounts received in 2011/12:

- i. Local Government Subsidy - Community Planning - **\$16,970** funded to 30 June 2014. This subsidy applies to the Community Project Officer (Generalist) position.
- ii. Strengthening Communities – Community Builders (ex Area Assistance salary subsidy) - **\$11,038** funded to 30 June 2013. This amount applies to the Community Project Officer (Community Builders) position.

Once the Service Agreement is signed and returned, Council will also receive a Variation to the Service Agreement so that the Department can release other funding which they have mistakenly omitted from the original Service Agreement.

The Department has advised Council by email that once the Variation to Schedule A of the Service Agreement is released, signed and returned, Council will also receive a payment of **\$61,810** (plus GST) which represents renewable Children's Services Program funding for the position of Community Project Officer (Children and Families) 2012/13.

Council will not receive further funding for the position of Community Project Officer (Town Farm Community Gardens) under the Strengthening Communities – Community Builders program as the 24 month fixed funding expires on 30/11/2012.

CONCLUSION

This funding will enable the Community Project Officer (Generalist); the Community Project Officer (Community Builders) and the Community Project Officer (Children and Families) positions to continue to provide valuable support to community organisations and residents in the Camden LGA.

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. **enter into the Service Agreement with NSW DFACS Community Services for the provision of funds for the Community Project Officer (Generalist) and Community Project Officer (Community Builders) positions;**
- ii. **agree to sign a Variation of Service Agreement with NSW DFACS Community Services for the provision of funds for the Community Project Officer (Children and Families); and**

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- ii. **grant authority for the relevant documentation to be completed under the Seal of the Council.**



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SUBJECT: REVIEW OF THE COMMUNITY BUS REPLACEMENT
FROM: Director Works & Services
BINDER: Plant Equipment and Stores / Fleet Management

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To seek Council determination on the provision of the Community Bus Service based on consideration of cost and benefit to the community.

BACKGROUND

As part of the process in considering replacing/renewing Council's Community Bus, justification is required to use a community resource for providing a service which currently only benefits a relatively small number of people. At the moment the utilisation of the Community Bus is very minimal. Records over the last 12 months indicate an average between two and three bookings each month, in addition to Council's own usage. There may be insufficient demand to warrant the continuation of this service.

MAIN REPORT

The Community Bus is scheduled to be replaced/renewed this financial year. Information regarding costs, vehicle sizes and demand/utilisation are presented to enable a decision to be made on the future provision of this service.

A minimum LR (Light Rigid) driver's licence is required for driving the existing 24 seater bus. Those with a regular (Class C) driver's licence are unable to operate a bus of this size, which may be a factor limiting the number of prospective users of the Community Bus. A bus with the ability to carry 24 people (25 including the driver) is very handy for large groups, however may not be practical for smaller groups, with the large bus requiring extra skills to drive, manoeuvre and park.

A smaller vehicle (e.g. a 12 seater bus/van) may be favoured by the smaller groups who have missed out on the opportunity to use the Community Bus in recent years. The previous bus, a 12 seater, was replaced 8 years ago, following the demand for a larger bus. Nevertheless, no indications or requests have been received for preference to return to a smaller vehicle.

The estimated cost to replace the existing bus with a similar size vehicle is approximately \$90,000 (after trade-in), which includes a wheelchair lift. Apart from the age, the existing bus is in a very good condition and has travelled less than 100,000 kms. Based on the combination of the present condition of the bus and its low utilisation, the purchase of a new replacement, of a similar size, cannot be justified for this year. It is considered cost effective to keep the existing bus for a further 12 months. However, the consequence being that it will not be able to cater for people with limited mobility.

Deferment of the purchase of a new bus provides the opportunity to consult with the community in order to obtain its views on the Community Bus and confirm the preferred

size and style of the future bus. This can be sought from existing users and those who make enquiries regarding availability of the service, as well as through community groups.

CONCLUSION

In considering replacing/renewing the Community Bus it is clear there is a need to review the service in order to justify the costs and benefits to the community. This service is currently assisting a very small group of approximately 200 to 250 people. A decision is therefore sought to continue the service in its current form, but to consult with existing and potential users as to whether this service should continue, and, if so, what size vehicle will best suit the requirements of the community.

RECOMMENDED

That Council:

- i. defer the replacement/renewal of the existing Community Bus for 12 months, and review the future provision of this service; and**
- ii. provide a further report on the results of the community consultation.**