

# Media Release

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## Council's new LSPS is one step closer

Camden Council is one step closer to finalising its Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS).

At last night's Ordinary Meeting, Council endorsed the draft LSPS be sent to the Greater Sydney Commission (GSC) for assurance. Subject to this formal assurance, a further report will be presented to Councillors early next year to adopt the final LSPS.

Mayor of Camden, Cr Theresa Fedeli, said this review process began with GSC's *Greater Sydney Region Plan – A Metropolis of Three Cities* and *Western City District Plan*.

"To align local plans with the strategic directions of these two plans, all councils were required to review and update their Local Environmental Plans (LEPs) and prepare a LSPS," Cr Fedeli said.

"The LSPS is so important because it sets the 20-year vision for land-use in the local area, the special character and values that are to be preserved and how change will be managed into the future.

"Council will continue to work on the LEP review, to have it completed by mid-2020."

Council's draft LSPS was placed on public exhibition for 35 days, from 23 July to 27 August 2019, and included:

- A 20-year vision for Camden.
- A structure plan, illustrating key infrastructure, productivity, liveability and sustainability features and place-based priorities within the Camden area;
- The local economic, social and environmental context;
- Local priorities and actions around infrastructure and collaboration, liveability, productivity and sustainability; and
- An implementation plan, identifying how Council will monitor and report on the delivery of the LSPS.

Council received 61 submissions from the community, public agencies and adjoining councils, the majority of which supported the approach taken in drafting the LSPS.

In response to the key themes in submissions, as well as feedback received from GSC, Council made post-exhibition amendments to the draft LSPS. The amendments, also endorsed last night, do not change the intent of the exhibited document but provide additional narrative to explain the intent of each priority, clarify the wording of existing actions and propose new actions to address key themes raised in submissions.

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