

## Attachment 1 - Progress Against LSPS Actions 2024

Themes	Planning Priority	Action	Progress Update October 2023	Status
Access and Movement	Planning Priority 1. We have a range of frequent, efficient transport options to connect people, goods, services, businesses and educational facilities	<p>A1. Advocate to the NSW Government to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alleviate the current and future congestion on the T4 and T8 train lines</li> <li>• Provide express train services at Kogarah during peak hours</li> <li>• Investigate feasibility of 24 hour rail services between metropolitan and strategic centres to accommodate shift workers</li> <li>• Investigate a new on/off ramp to the M5 Motorway to improve access to Western Sydney at Kingsgrove</li> <li>• Prioritise the Parramatta to Kogarah mass transit/train link as a rail link between the T4 and T8 lines (10-20 years)</li> <li>• Extend the South East mass transit train link between Randwick and Miranda (20 years+)</li> <li>• Deliver a new train/mass transit link from Macquarie Park to Hurstville via Rhodes (20 years+)</li> </ul>	<p>Council has delivered a range of Advocacy Actions across 2022/2023. Some of these actions include a Greater Cities Commission submission lodged by Council on the Six Cities Region Discussion Paper, continued promotion of Kogarah's investment opportunities, the delivery of the Lunar New Year event and ongoing relationship with key stakeholders. These actions have been guided by the Council adopted "Advocacy Priorities 2021/22". Council will address these priorities through a range of strategies, including direct lobbying of decision makers, making effective submissions to Federal and State governments, ongoing community consultation, engagement and media campaigns.</p> <p>A new Advocacy Action Plan 2023/24 is currently being developed to guide Council's advocacy actions and report on impact via a new Advocacy Register. Advocacy actions in the LSPS will be considered as part of this process.</p>	Ongoing.
Access and Movement	Planning Priority 1. We have a range of frequent, efficient transport options to connect people, goods, services, businesses and educational facilities	<p>A2. Collaborate with the NSW Government to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work with other councils in the South District to identify and agree on the most strategic and beneficial Stage 2 F6 extension corridor for the District</li> <li>• Regularly monitor and improve the transport corridors from Kingsgrove and Kogarah to Sydney CBD, Sydney Airport and Port Botany</li> <li>• Protect the efficacy of current and future freight corridors</li> <li>• Regularly monitor and explore options to alleviate current and</li> </ul>	<p>Council is currently focused on increasing the pedestrian focus of the Riverwood Town Centre and is also advocating for infrastructure planning and support as a result of the Riverwood Planned Precinct within the Canterbury/ Bankstown Local Government Area (LGA).</p> <p>Council is working with Transport for NSW to manage road widening projects, clear ways and active transport corridors.</p> <p>In the past 6 months, Council Officers contributed to the development of the Central City</p>	Ongoing.

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		<p>future congestion on the Princes Highway and King Georges Road</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As part of the Riverwood Planned Precinct: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prioritise and identify a preferred corridor for a public and active transport linkage between the T4 and T8 train lines as part of the Riverwood Planned Precinct process and/or as part of the Parramatta to Bankstown to Hurstville/Kogarah rapid bus link investigation</li> <li>Consider cumulative impacts on the local road network surrounding Riverwood and incorporate observed and potential increased parking rates as part of the Riverwood Planned Precinct TMAP</li> <li>Explore options for additional express train services at Riverwood during peak hours as part of the Planned Precinct process</li> </ul> </li> <li>Consider the LGA's planned growth precincts in determining the southern alignment of the Central City Strategic Road Corridor, North Connex to Southern Sydney (20 years+)</li> <li>Once committed and funded, identify land to be reserved in future LEPs to deliver longer-term train/mass transit and/or road corridors</li> <li>Explore options for 24 hour bus lanes and/or T3 transit lanes along key corridors</li> </ul>	<p>Strategic Cycle Corridor development and have received over \$800,000 in active transport funding.</p>	

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Access and Movement	Planning Priority 2. Everyone can navigate and experience the LGA in safety	A3. Prepare a LGA-wide Transport Strategy for all modes of transport, including active transport with a focus on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Connecting neighbourhoods and centres</li> <li>• Improving external connections</li> <li>• Access to proposed growth precincts</li> <li>• Managing local, district and regional freight routes</li> </ul>	Council has prepared the Georges River Transport Strategy 2021. The Strategy provides policy and directives for Council to enhance existing transport networks and plan for increased transport demand. Council adopted the Strategy at its meeting on 25 October 2021.	Completed.
Access and Movement	Planning Priority 2. Everyone can navigate and experience the LGA in safety	A4. Prepare a TMAP for the Kogarah Collaboration Area	No funding was available in FY21/22, FY 22/23 and FY23/24 budgets.	Yet to commence.
Access and Movement	Planning Priority 2. Everyone can navigate and experience the LGA in safety	A5. Collaborate with the NSW Government to deliver a cycleway along the T4 and T8 lines	Council is currently focused on increasing the pedestrian focus of the Riverwood Town Centre.  Council Officers have contributed to the development of the Central City Strategic Cycle Corridor development and have received over \$800,000 in active transport funding.	Ongoing.
Access and Movement	Planning Priority 2. Everyone can navigate and experience the LGA in safety	A6. Collaborate with the NSW Government for safe crossings over King Georges Road, especially at Beverly Hills	As part of the commuter car park development, State Government project, Council Officers continue to advocate for safe crossing points in Beverly Hills which support access to Beverly Hills Station in particular.  Improved pedestrian crossings are also being considered as part of the revised draft Beverly Hills Town Centre Master Plan.	Ongoing.

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Access and Movement	Planning Priority 2. Everyone can navigate and experience the LGA in safety	A7. Collaborate with the State Government in future investigations regarding the routes for the potential mass transit links to Parramatta and Macquarie Park	River Rail Kogarah to Parramatta corridor preservation noted in the State Infrastructure Strategy 2022-2042 prepared by Infrastructure NSW.	Ongoing.
Access and Movement	Planning Priority 3. Roads, footpaths and cycleways are safe, accessible and free of congestion	A8. Prepare a PAMP for key centres that incorporates safe pedestrian movements	<p>In September 2023 Council approved grant funding of \$2,836,000 to deliver traffic facility upgrades in the Riverwood Town Centre.</p> <p>The funding has been allocated to the Riverwood Town Centre to install a 40km/hour High Pedestrian Activity Area (HPAA). The project will involve the design and construction of various traffic facilities to control the movement and speed of traffic in the Riverwood Town Centre.</p>	Ongoing.
Access and Movement	Planning Priority 3. Roads, footpaths and cycleways are safe, accessible and free of congestion	A9. Advocate to the NSW Government for additional bus stops and routes across the LGA, particularly where growth is proposed	Council is currently undertaking an audit of all existing bus routes. This work will focus on Disability Discrimination Act compliance and understanding the most frequented routes to help future planning.	Ongoing
Access and Movement	Planning Priority 3. Roads, footpaths and cycleways are safe, accessible and free of congestion	A10. Advocate to the NSW Government to investigate on-demand bus services in the south east and south west of the LGA	The advocacy and collaboration with NSW government will commence when growth in areas that require on-demand bus services is proposed.	Ongoing.
Access and Movement	Planning Priority 3. Roads, footpaths and cycleways are safe, accessible and free of congestion	A11. Provide for kiss and ride drop off/pick up zones at stations, major bus interchanges, hospitals and schools as they are renewed	This is an ongoing program of updates and renewals across the traffic and transport program. Specifically, Council's Traffic and Transport team have implemented a school safety program to be proactive in this space. The Kogarah Cluster of schools is the first target area.	Ongoing.

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Access and Movement	Planning Priority 3. Roads, footpaths and cycleways are safe, accessible and free of congestion	A12. Provide controls for the provision of facilities to support the operation of car and ride sharing in high density residential and commercial centres in Council's Development Control Plan (DCP) 2020	Controls for the provision of facilities to support the operation of car and ride sharing in high density residential and commercial centres have been incorporated into the Georges River DCP 2021. The DCP became effective in October 2021.	Completed.
Access and Movement	Planning Priority 3. Roads, footpaths and cycleways are safe, accessible and free of congestion	A13. Provide provisions that encourage people to walk or cycle around local neighbourhoods in Council's DCP 2020	Provisions to encourage people to walk or cycle around local neighbourhoods have been incorporated into the Georges River DCP 2021. This includes through site links, improved public domain and widening of roads to provide for footpaths. The DCP became effective in October 2021.	Completed.
Access and Movement	Planning Priority 3. Roads, footpaths and cycleways are safe, accessible and free of congestion	A14. Collaborate with the NSW Government to deliver additional multi-use commuter car parking at train stations to encourage public transport use, such as Beverly Hills	TfNSW acquired the Edgbaston Road car park from Council for the construction of a future multi storey commuter car park has been completed.  In May 2022, Transport for NSW approved the multi storey 200 space commuter car park located at Edgbaston Road approximately 70m southwest of Beverly Hills Station. The car park is scheduled to be completed by the end of 2024.	Ongoing.
Access and Movement	Planning Priority 3. Roads, footpaths and cycleways are safe, accessible and free of congestion	A15. Require travel plans for all major new development and businesses in Council's DCP 2020	Council has included controls in the Georges River DCP 2021 to require development to reduce car dependence through the provision of end of trip facilities, bicycle parking, car share and small vehicle parking spaces, electric vehicle charging stations and green travel plans. The DCP became effective in October 2021.	Completed.
Access and Movement	Planning Priority 3. Roads, footpaths and cycleways are safe, accessible and free of congestion	A16. Develop design standards in DCP 2020 to accommodate emergency and service vehicles access to medium and high density development	Council has included controls in the Georges River DCP 2021 to address emergency and service vehicles access to medium and high density development. The DCP became effective in October 2021.	Completed.

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Infrastructure and Community	Planning Priority 4. Collaboration supports innovation and delivers infrastructure, services and facilities	A17. Adopt a policy statement that zoning changes will be contingent on the existing or suitable infrastructure provision and services	Council endorsed its Local Housing Strategy in August 2020. The Strategy sets a clear plan for the provision of housing in the Georges River LGA over the next 10 and 20 years. The Strategy provides the link between Council's vision for housing, and the Actions of the South District Plan and Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS). Objective 2 - Coordinate growth with infrastructure and the 7 associated actions set a clear policy statement that zoning changes will be contingent on the existing or suitable infrastructure provision and services.	Completed.
Infrastructure and Community	Planning Priority 4. Collaboration supports innovation and delivers infrastructure, services and facilities	A18. Investigate appropriate infrastructure funding options where there is an uplift in density	Council endorsed its Local Housing Strategy in August 2020. The Strategy sets a clear plan for the provision of housing in the Georges River LGA over the next 10 and 20 years. The Strategy provides the link between Council's vision for housing, and the Actions of the South District Plan and Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS). Objective 2 - Coordinate growth with infrastructure and the 7 associated actions set a clear direction that Council needs to investigate appropriate infrastructure funding options where there is an uplift in density.	Completed.

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Infrastructure and Community	Planning Priority 4. Collaboration supports innovation and delivers infrastructure, services and facilities	<p>A19. Review plans and policies relating to the following sections of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (EP&amp;A Act):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Section 7.4 Planning agreements</li> <li>• Section 7.11 Contribution towards provision or improvement of amenities or services and</li> <li>• Section 7.12 Fixed development consent levies</li> </ul>	<p>Council's new Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan 2021 (Section 7.11 and Section 7.12) came into effect on 1 December 2021.</p> <p>With respect to the VPA actions a comprehensive review of the Georges River Planning Agreements Policy 2016 has been undertaken to strengthen the Policy in line with best practice and has addressed a number of Notices of Motion by the Council and the audit recommendations. The draft amendments to the Policy were reported to the Environment and Planning Committee meeting on 9 March 2020 and to Council on 20 April 2020. The draft Policy was on public exhibition from Wednesday 3 June 2020 to 3 July 2020. Council resolved at its meeting on 28 September 2020 to defer adoption of the GRC Planning Agreements Policy for further work. A Councillor Briefing was to be held in April 2021 but was deferred due to the issues and requirements within the Practice Note on Planning Agreements issued February 2021. This Practice Note meant that the VPA review and draft document was required to be revisited and this did not commence until FY22/23. Consultants were appointed who have worked with officers to prepare a revised draft Policy. Council was briefed on the VPA process and the work to date on the VPA Policy review on 19 June 2023. The draft Policy will be presented to Council in Q3.</p>	Ongoing
Infrastructure and Community	Planning Priority 4. Collaboration supports innovation and delivers infrastructure, services and facilities	A20. Implement a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Council and the NSW Government for shared community and recreation facilities	A MoU has been established and Council is working with the State Government on a case by case basis to support increasing open space access for both passive and active usage. As part of the State Infrastructure NSW Asset Activations program (Department of Education Share our Space), Council	Completed.

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			is investigating activating school premises in the LGA for events.	
<b>Infrastructure and Community</b>	Planning Priority 4. Collaboration supports innovation and delivers infrastructure, services and facilities	A21. Advocate to the NSW Government to provide expanded and new education facilities to meet demand, particularly in new housing investigation areas	Council is advocating for infrastructure planning and support to new housing precincts, particularly the Riverwood planned precinct within the Canterbury/ Bankstown LGA.	Ongoing.
<b>Infrastructure and Community</b>	Planning Priority 4. Collaboration supports innovation and delivers infrastructure, services and facilities	A22. Explore a District-wide and holistic approach to funding delivery and maintenance of social, asset and recreational infrastructure	<p>The Interim Community Property Strategy 2020-2023 was adopted by Council on 23 November 2020. As part of the Interim Community Property Strategy 2020-2023, innovative funding models and strategic partnerships are explored as a way of delivering asset enhancement and ensure that the property portfolio is well planned to meet the growing needs of the community.</p> <p>Council resolved on 27 March 2023 to enter into a licence agreement with the Nepalese Australian Association (NAA) for a 10 year period under a shared (hybrid) operating model at the former Peakhurst Scout Hall, located at 7A Hedley Street, Riverwood.</p> <p>In June 2023, the NAA advised Council of their acceptance of the licence terms in accordance with Council's resolution of 27 March 2023.</p>	Ongoing.



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Infrastructure and Community	Planning Priority 4. Collaboration supports innovation and delivers infrastructure, services and facilities	A23. Provide shade in new and upgraded outdoor Council community and recreation facilities	Council assesses and implements shade infrastructure in community and recreation facilities where required.	Ongoing.
Infrastructure and Community	Planning Priority 4. Collaboration supports innovation and delivers infrastructure, services and facilities	A24. Collaborate with adjoining councils on potential infrastructure upgrades in places like Riverwood Planned Precinct, Kogarah Health and Education Precinct, Ramsgate, Narwee and Kingsgrove	There was no budget in FY22/23 to do any master planning work for Riverwood Planned Precinct, Kogarah Health and Education Precinct, Ramsgate, Narwee and Kingsgrove. No budget has been allocated for FY23/24.	Yet to commence.
Infrastructure and Community	Planning Priority 4. Collaboration supports innovation and delivers infrastructure, services and facilities	A25. Develop the Hurstville Civic Precinct as the regional cultural hub with premier library, community, performance, museum and gallery facilities	<p>Council resolved on 26 June 2023 to endorse the Planning Proposal for the Hurstville Civic Centre Precinct (subject to amendments outlined in the report) and that it be forwarded to the then Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) for gazettal.</p> <p>An amended Planning Proposal and supporting documents were sent to the then DPE on 4 July 2023 requesting gazettal. The Planning Proposal was gazetted on 27 October 2023.</p>	Completed.
Infrastructure and Community	Planning Priority 4. Collaboration supports innovation and delivers infrastructure, services and facilities	A26. Consolidate Netstrata Jubilee Stadium as a regional sporting and entertainment hub, a premier sporting precinct with a range of recreation and entertainment options	A Plan of Management (PoM) for Jubilee Stadium commenced in the FY23/24. Preliminary consultation on the PoM occurred through Council's 'Your Say' webpage with the exhibition from 18 December 2023 to 25 January 2024. The consultation for Jubilee Stadium Precinct Plan of Management has been extended to 1 March 2024.	Ongoing

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Infrastructure and Community	Planning Priority 4. Collaboration supports innovation and delivers infrastructure, services and facilities	A27. Create the new Penshurst Park regional sporting hub including the LGA's premier aquatic and indoor recreation facility	Stage 2 of the Penshurst Park Sporting Hub project has been completed. Investigation and funding opportunities to be identified for further stages. Funding continues to be sought to complete Penshurst Park regional sporting hub.	Ongoing.
Infrastructure and Community	Planning Priority 4. Collaboration supports innovation and delivers infrastructure, services and facilities	A28. As part of major redevelopments explore mechanisms and precincts to deliver additional infrastructure including education, cultural sporting and aquatic facilities, public spaces, multi-purpose community hubs	As part of major redevelopments Council explores mechanisms to deliver additional infrastructure including education, cultural sporting and aquatic facilities, public spaces, multi-purpose community hubs.	Ongoing.
Infrastructure and Community	Planning Priority 4. Collaboration supports innovation and delivers infrastructure, services and facilities	A29. Investigate the needs of emerging communities around infrastructure and public places	<p>Council resolved on 27 March 2023 to enter into a licence agreement with the Nepalese Australian Association (NAA) for a 10 year period under a shared (hybrid) operating model at the former Peakhurst Scout Hall, located at 7A Hedley Street, Riverwood .</p> <p>In June 2023, the NAA accepted the terms stipulated in the Council resolution. An indicative timeline for the building refurbishment was provided to the NAA in Q1 of 2023/2024.</p> <p>A Project Proposal Submission to refurbish the former Hurstville Early Learning Centre, located at Cross Street, adjacent to Westfield Hurstville, was deferred for 2023/24.</p> <p>An Expression of Interest is currently being prepared for the Sub Lease agreement of the property which will seek submissions from eligible community groups. The Sub Lease agreement will require that the successful tenant be responsible for</p>	Ongoing.

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			the refurbishment/fit out costs of the property.	
<b>Infrastructure and Community</b>	Planning Priority 4. Collaboration supports innovation and delivers infrastructure, services and facilities	A30. Collaborate with the NSW Government and State owned corporations to deliver adaptive and flexible enabling infrastructure (energy, gas and water), especially in areas of housing and employment growth	Council will need to collaborate with the NSW Government and State owned corporations when preparing planning proposals for land that has been identified for housing and employment growth to deliver adaptive and flexible enabling infrastructure (energy, gas and water).	Ongoing.
<b>Infrastructure and Community</b>	Planning Priority 4. Collaboration supports innovation and delivers infrastructure, services and facilities	A31. Investigate Council and partner opportunities for additional sports grounds, playing fields and aquatic facilities	<p>Stage 2 of the Penshurst Park Sporting Hub project has been completed. Investigation and funding opportunities to be identified for further stages. Funding continues to be sought to complete Penshurst Park regional sporting hub.</p> <p>A MoU has been established and Council is working with State Government on a case by case basis to support increasing open space access for both passive and active usage. As part of the State Infrastructure NSW Asset Activations program (Department of Education Share our Space), Council is investigating activating school premises in the LGA for events.</p> <p>A draft Plan of Management and Master Plan is currently being developed for Carss Bush Park and Todd Park. Opportunities for sporting facilities will be investigated through the development of the Plans.</p> <p>Working on the implementation of actions from Council's Open Space, Recreation and Community Facilities Strategy 2019-2036. Priorities for these are subject to change pending on the recommendations of the</p>	Ongoing.

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			future Open Space Expansion and Acquisition Plan.	
<b>Infrastructure and Community</b>	Planning Priority 4. Collaboration supports innovation and delivers infrastructure, services and facilities	A32. Investigate the use of recyclables in the provision of essential infrastructure such as roads, cycleways and public street furniture	Council trialled the use of recycled glass in our road re-sheet program starting 22/23 and expanded the scoping into 23/24. Council has also expressed interest in participating in a trial to use recycled rubber tyres in our roads.	Ongoing.
<b>Infrastructure and Community</b>	Planning Priority 4. Collaboration supports innovation and delivers infrastructure, services and facilities	A33. Develop a smart streets strategy as part of delivering the vision for vibrant streets (Transport 2056) across the LGA	Not started - no funding allocated.	Yet to commence.
<b>Infrastructure and Community</b>	Planning Priority 5. The community is involved in planning our future	A34. Engage the community on land use, development and infrastructure provision and consider the feedback in decision-making	This action is ongoing. At its meeting on 24 July 2023, Council adopted the Georges River Council Community Engagement Strategy 2023-2032. The Strategy establishes guiding principles to ensure community engagement is purposeful, timely, genuine, inclusive and transparent.	Ongoing.
<b>Infrastructure and Community</b>	Planning Priority 5. The community is involved in planning our future	A35. Report to the community on progress of this LSPS during each Council term	A report to the community on the progress on the actions in the Georges River LSPS was reported to Council in June 2021 and will be reported to Council in February 2024.	Ongoing
<b>Infrastructure and Community</b>	Planning Priority 5. The community is involved in planning our future	A36. Engage the community in the review of this LSPS during each Council term.	Council will be commencing an update to the LSPS in February 2024. Preliminary engagement with Councillors will be undertaken through a series of briefing workshops to introduce the new LSPS and to identify areas for growth on a ward by ward basis.  A further report to Council will occur following the briefing workshops to outline the community consultation program which will be undertaken to inform the new LSPS.	Ongoing.

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			The community will be consulted to inform new actions in the LSPS, criteria for growth and identify new housing investigation areas.	
Infrastructure and Community	Planning Priority 6. Everyone has access to efficient digital connectivity	A37. Implement Smart Cities pilot in three sites to improve access to digital technology for residents, businesses and visitors	Smart Hubs have been installed in Hurstville, Mortdale and Kogarah. Council will be applying for Smart Places Acceleration funding to allow for more hubs across the LGA.	Completed.
Infrastructure and Community	Planning Priority 6. Everyone has access to efficient digital connectivity	A38. Investigate additional free Wi-Fi and technology solutions in new and upgraded Council facilities and in public places through place-making	Smart Hubs delivered in Hurstville, Mortdale and Kogarah. Additional hubs installed as part of the Riverwood Reconnected project.	Completed.
Infrastructure and Community	Planning Priority 6. Everyone has access to efficient digital connectivity	A39. Prepare a Digital Data Policy for safe data capture, analysis and use to guide Council decisions around its Smart Technology Program and infrastructure provision	The Digital Data Policy has been prepared and was approved on 27 March 2023.	Completed.
Infrastructure and Community	Planning Priority 6. Everyone has access to efficient digital connectivity	A40. Advocate to the Australian Government for priority access to the NBN	Q1 22-23 NBN deployment across the LGA is complete. City centres have access to high speed broadband. NBN / Telstra have provided coverage maps that show the NBN infrastructure and deployment is complete across the LGA and the rollback of existing copper services is being finalised.	Completed.
Infrastructure and Community	Planning Priority 6. Everyone has access to efficient digital connectivity	A41. Collaborate with the Federal Government and private sector service providers to investigate the demand, opportunities and constraints of telecommunications infrastructure provision across the LGA	NBN deployment across the LGA is complete. City centres have access to high speed broadband. NBN / Telstra have provided coverage maps that show the NBN infrastructure and deployment is complete across the LGA and the rollback of existing copper services is being finalised.	Completed.

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Housing and Neighbourhoods	Planning Priority 7. Residential suburbs will be protected and retained unless identified as areas of change or investigation	A42. Identify the key characteristics of each suburb to be protected and/or retained and incorporate into Council's DCP 2020	Character statements for each suburb within the Georges River LGA have been included in the Georges River DCP 2021. The DCP became effective in October 2021.	Completed.
Housing and Neighbourhoods	Planning Priority 7. Residential suburbs will be protected and retained unless identified as areas of change or investigation	A43. Investigate the provision of additional housing and jobs along new transport links as new infrastructure is committed/funded by the State Government	No new transport links have been earmarked in the short term.	Ongoing.
Housing and Neighbourhoods	Planning Priority 7. Residential suburbs will be protected and retained unless identified as areas of change or investigation	A44. Provide zones and development controls that confine higher density development to centres along public transport corridors in Council's LEPs	Completed for Georges River LEP 2021 which includes the rezoning of the Narwee Housing Investigation Area. This action to provide zones and development controls that confine higher density development to centres along public transport corridors in Council's LEPs will be ongoing.	Completed.
Housing and Neighbourhoods	Planning Priority 8. Place-based development, quality building design and public art deliver liveable places	A45. Incorporate design excellence provisions in Council's LEP 2020 and DCP 2020	Design excellence provisions and controls have been included in Council's Georges River Local Environmental Plan (GRLEP) 2021 and the Georges River Development Control Plan (GRDCP) 2021. The GRLEP 2021 and GRDCP 2021 became effective in October 2021.	Completed.
Housing and Neighbourhoods	Planning Priority 8. Place-based development, quality building design and public art deliver liveable places	A46. Include local provisions that facilitate place-making through urban design, urban art and connectivity between social infrastructure and people in Council's DCPs	Local provisions that facilitate place-making through urban design, urban art and connectivity between social infrastructure and people have been included in Council's Georges River Development Control Plan 2021 which came into effect in October 2021.	Completed.
Housing and Neighbourhoods	Planning Priority 9. A mix of well-designed housing for all life stages caters for a range of lifestyle needs and incomes	A47. Complete a Local Housing Strategy that includes planning for District Plan housing targets, a hierarchy of residential zones, providing targets for inclusive housing and addressing housing diversity	The Local Housing Strategy was adopted by Council in August 2020 and sets a clear plan for the provision of housing in the Georges River LGA over the next 10 and 20 years. The Strategy provides the link between Council's vision for housing, and the Actions of the South District Plan and Local	Completed.

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			Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS).	
<b>Housing and Neighbourhoods</b>	Planning Priority 9. A mix of well-designed housing for all life stages caters for a range of lifestyle needs and incomes	A48. Facilitate a broader range of housing types across the LGA through rezoning land, including controls for medium density development in Council's LEP and DCP 2020	The Georges River LEP (GRLEP) 2021 contains a hierarchy of residential zones, including rezoning of additional land to a R3 Medium Density Residential Zone. Council's Georges River Development Control Plan (GRDCP) 2021 contains controls for all types of residential housing including controls for medium density development. The GRLEP 2021 and GRDCP 2021 became effective in October 2021.	Completed.
<b>Housing and Neighbourhoods</b>	Planning Priority 9. A mix of well-designed housing for all life stages caters for a range of lifestyle needs and incomes	A49. Investigate the adaptive re-use of large houses (big house conversion) in Council's LEP 2021	Preliminary investigation commenced for the adaptive re-use of existing large family homes through big house conversions for LEP21 to create a new development typology in the R2 Low Density Residential zone which will enable existing, under-utilised family homes to be converted into multiple smaller dwellings while retaining the existing local character. However, the then Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) verbally advised Council that this new development typology must be implemented within the existing legal framework established by the Standard Instrument LEP and the creation of a new land use term will not be supported. There are also issues associated with the conversion of existing dwellings, including compliant fire separation, the types of dwellings suitable for conversion and the economic feasibility of adapting an existing house. Council will continue with the above investigations in accordance with the amended LEP program to deliver additional housing choice in a future LEP amendment.	Ongoing.

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Housing and Neighbourhoods	Planning Priority 9. A mix of well-designed housing for all life stages caters for a range of lifestyle needs and incomes	A50. Establish a planning framework to provide housing for people from very low to moderate income households including key workers	Council adopted its Local Housing Strategy and its Inclusive Housing Strategy in August 2020. Council adopted its Georges River Affordable Housing Policy in May 2021 which outlines Council's position and approach to providing affordable housing in the Georges River LGA. The Policy details Council's commitment to increasing the range and supply of affordable housing in the Georges River LGA to meet the growing needs of a range of households, including the very low to moderate income households, singles, families, couples, seniors, people with a disability, students, key workers and the broader residential market, including first home buyers. Council resolved in November 2022 to prepare an affordable housing contributions scheme for the Georges River LGA.	Completed.
Housing and Neighbourhoods	Planning Priority 9. A mix of well-designed housing for all life stages caters for a range of lifestyle needs and incomes	A51. Utilise the provisions in the EP&A Act for affordable housing, drawing from the outcomes of the Inclusive Housing Strategy	Council commenced the preparation of an Affordable Housing Contribution Scheme (AHCS) for the Mortdale Local Centre as part of the draft Master Plan that was prepared and exhibited in 2021. However, Council at its meeting held 26 September 2022 resolved to not proceed with a draft AHCS in the Mortdale Local Centre and to investigate a scheme that applies across the whole LGA. Council resolved in November 2022 to prepare an AHCS for the whole LGA.	Ongoing.
Housing and Neighbourhoods	Planning Priority 9. A mix of well-designed housing for all life stages caters for a range of lifestyle needs and incomes	A52. Provide controls to deliver universal design as part of new residential developments through Council's DCP 2020	The Georges River Development Control Plan (GRDCP) 2021 contains controls to ensure that all publicly accessible buildings provide a safe and continuous path of travel for people with impaired mobility; and that residential development includes adaptable units and accessible residential accommodation to address potential demand. The GRDCP also contains controls relating to accessible	Completed.



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			carparking. The GRDCP became effective in October 2021.	
<b>Housing and Neighbourhoods</b>	Planning Priority 10. Homes are supported by safe, accessible, green, clean, creative and diverse facilities, services and spaces	A53. Include controls in Council's DCP 2020 to ensure accessible green spaces and gradual and appropriate height transitions, landscaping, vista protection and the integration of Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles	The Georges River Development Control Plan (GRDCP) 2021 contains controls to ensure accessible green spaces and gradual and appropriate height transitions, landscaping, vista protection and the integration of Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles. The GRDCP 2021 became effective in October 2021.	Completed.
<b>Housing and Neighbourhoods</b>	Planning Priority 10. Homes are supported by safe, accessible, green, clean, creative and diverse facilities, services and spaces	A54. Encourage temporary events through Council's LEP 2020	The Georges River LEP (GRLEP) 2021 contains Clause 2.8 Temporary use of land. The objective of this Clause is to provide for the temporary use of land if the use does not compromise future development of the land, or have detrimental economic, social, amenity or environmental effects on the land. Council can grant development consent for development on land in any zone for a temporary use for a maximum period of 52 days (whether or not consecutive days) in any period of 12 months. The GRLEP 2021 became effective on 8 October 2021.	Completed.
<b>Housing and Neighbourhoods</b>	Planning Priority 11. Aboriginal and other heritage is protected and promoted	A55. Prepare an Aboriginal Commitment Statement and Action Plan in consultation with the local Aboriginal community and Land Council	Development of an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Strategy is underway. The Strategy development will include extensive consultation with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community and associated groups and organisations. The Strategy will include the development of an Action Plan and Aboriginal Commitment Statement.  Consultation with Council's key Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community, consultants engaged by Council in early 2022 to develop the Strategy and Council's Staff Working Group for the Strategy determined	Ongoing.

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			<p>that the establishment of a new Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Committee be prioritised prior to the development of the Strategy.</p> <p>During Q3 and Q4, expressions of Interest were received for the new Advisory Committee and consultants engaged by Council provided costs and timelines for consultation sessions with the Advisory Committee and other significant groups in the local community, which will inform the development of the Strategy. Once the Strategy is approved, an Action Plan will follow.</p>	
<b>Housing and Neighbourhoods</b>	Planning Priority 11. Aboriginal and other heritage is protected and promoted	A56. Encourage adaptive reuse of heritage	The Georges River LEP (GRLEP) 2021 contains Clause 5.10 Heritage Conservation. The objective of this Clause is to conserve the environmental heritage of the Georges River LGA, conserve the heritage significance of heritage items and heritage conservation areas, conserve archaeological sites and to conserve Aboriginal objects and Aboriginal places of heritage significance. The GRLEP 2021 became effective on 8 October 2021.	Completed.
<b>Housing and Neighbourhoods</b>	Planning Priority 11. Aboriginal and other heritage is protected and promoted	A57. Implement the Historical Markers Policy	<p>The Historical Markers Policy was originally developed in 2017 in response to community requests to mark places of historical and cultural importance in the Georges River LGA. The Policy was amended and reclassified as an Executive Policy and endorsed on 7 December 2021.</p> <p>In 2018 Council launched the Historical Markers Program. The program recognises people and places of historical and cultural importance, as recommended by</p>	Ongoing.

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			<p>the local community. Each year Council will fund and install up to five new historical markers.</p> <p>The 2023 Historical Markers Program saw the nomination of five historical markers; former brickwork site in Kempt Field, Hurstville; childhood home of Jack Napier in Blakehurst; St Raphael's Church in South Hurstville for John Radecki; walking track in Lime Kiln Bay Reserve; and Silvester's castle on the corner of Yarran Road and Southern Street, Oatley.</p>	
<b>Housing and Neighbourhoods</b>	Planning Priority 11. Aboriginal and other heritage is protected and promoted	A58. Complete the Heritage Review for the Hurstville LEP and implement recommendations in Council's LEP 2020	The Heritage Review for the Hurstville LEP has been completed and the recommendations implemented in the Georges River LEP (GRLEP) 2021. The GRLEP 2021 came into effect on 8 October 2021.	Completed.
<b>Economy and Centres</b>	Planning Priority 12. Land is appropriately zoned for ongoing employment growth	A59. Introduce controls in Council's LEP 2020 to ensure the provision of non-residential floor space in the LGA's commercial centres	Part 1 Centres Analysis was endorsed by Council at its meeting dated 24 June 2019 for public exhibition, and was publicly exhibited with the draft Local Strategic Planning Statement 2040 from 26 June to 7 August 2019. Part 1 Centres Analysis was adopted by Council at its meeting on 24 February 2020. To implement the recommendations of Part 1 Centres Analysis, the draft Georges River LEP (GRLEP) 2021 introduces minimum non-residential floor space ratio (FSR) controls for mixed use developments across the LGA. The Strategic Centres of Kogarah and Hurstville have a minimum non-residential FSR of 1:1, with the Carlton Enterprise Corridor 0.7:1, local centres 0.5:1 and neighbourhood centres 0.3:1. The GRLEP 2021 came into effect on 8 October 2021.	Completed.

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Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 12. Land is appropriately zoned for ongoing employment growth	A60. Introduce a broader range of land uses in the IN2 Industrial Zone in Council's LEP 2020	The Georges River LEP (GRLEP) 2021 contains a broader range of land uses in the IN2 Industrial Zone, now known as E4 General Industrial under the employment zones reform introduced in April 2023. To meet the needs of workers and visitors within industrial precincts, while ensuring that centres remain the focus of business and retail activity, take away food and drink premises, restaurants and cafés are permitted up to a maximum of 20% of the gross floor area of the industrial activity located on the same land or 200sqm, whichever is the lesser. To encourage a diverse range of industries, creative and innovative industries, such as media, advertising, fine arts, design, film and television and performing arts, that do not compete with centres or compromise industrial and urban services, are permitted in the Penshurst Lane (Penshurst) and Halstead Street (South Hurstville) industrial precincts. The GRLEP 2021 came into effect on 8 October 2021.	Completed

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Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 12. Land is appropriately zoned for ongoing employment growth	A61. Retain and manage industrial and urban services land by safeguarding industrial zoned land from residential development and/or mixed-use zones	Georges River Council endorsed the Georges River Industrial Land Review at its meeting on 17 December 2018. The Review provides a detailed analysis of industrial precincts in the Georges River LGA, including a detailed demand and supply analysis of industrial lands and assessment of the suitability of each industrial precinct for local and strategic industrial uses. The Review finds that Georges River LGA currently has a shortage of urban services land and will have a deficit of industrial floor space by 2036. The Georges River Industrial Land Review highlights the need for industrial land to be retained and managed across the Georges River LGA in line with the policy direction in the South District Plan. The Georges River LEP 2021 implements the findings of the review and became effective in October 2021.	Completed.
Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 12. Land is appropriately zoned for ongoing employment growth	A62. Include a character statement for commercial centres drawn from the Commercial Centres Strategy in Council's DCP 2022	Character Statements are provided for the following centres in the Georges River DCP 2021: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kogarah Town Centre (separate part of the DCP)</li> <li>• Beverly Hills</li> <li>• Kingsgrove</li> <li>• Riverwood</li> <li>• Blakehurst</li> <li>• Carlton/ Kogarah Bay</li> <li>• Oatley</li> <li>• Ramsgate</li> <li>• Enterprise Corridor along the Princes Highway.</li> </ul> The character statements are drawn from the Commercial Centres Strategy. The DCP became effective in October 2021.	Completed.

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Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 12. Land is appropriately zoned for ongoing employment growth	A63. Include a character statement for industrial precincts drawn from the Industrial Lands Review in Council's DCP 2020	<p>Character statements for the following industrial precincts are included in the Georges River DCP 2021: Beverly Hills, Blakehurst, Carlton, Kingsgrove, Peakhurst, Penshurst – Forest Road, Penshurst - Penshurst Lane and South Hurstville. The character statements cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Desired future character</li> <li>• Objectives</li> <li>• Precinct controls which cover amalgamation of land if required and landscaped setbacks.</li> </ul> <p>The character statements are drawn from the Industrial Lands Review. The DCP became effective in October 2021.</p>	Completed.
Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 12. Land is appropriately zoned for ongoing employment growth	A64. Ensure ongoing review of the zoning and development controls of all centres with the aim of providing sufficient employment floor space to meet future population and employment projections	<p>Part 1 Centres Analysis was endorsed by Council at its meeting dated 24 June 2019 for public exhibition and was publicly exhibited with the draft Local Strategic Planning Statement 2040 from 26 June to 7 August 2019. Part 1 Centres Analysis was adopted by Council at its meeting on 24 February 2020. To implement the recommendations of Part 1 Centres Analysis, the Georges River LEP (GRLEP) 2021 introduces minimum non-residential floor space ratio (FSR) controls for mixed use developments across the LGA. The Strategic Centres of Kogarah and Hurstville have a minimum non-residential FSR of 1:1, with the Carlton Enterprise Corridor 0.7:1, local centres 0.5:1 and neighbourhood centres 0.3:1. The GRLEP 2021 came into effect on 8 October 2021.</p>	Completed.
Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 12. Land is appropriately zoned for ongoing employment growth	A65. Introduce zoning and controls in Council's LEP 2020 that enable tourist and visitor accommodation, medi-hotels and carer accommodation in and adjacent to medical precincts	<p>The Georges River LEP (GRLEP) 2021 includes zoning and controls to enable tourist and visitor accommodation, medi-hotels and carer accommodation in and adjacent to medical precincts. The GRLEP 2021 came into effect on 8 October 2021.</p>	Completed.

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Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 12. Land is appropriately zoned for ongoing employment growth	A66. Investigate the role of the Kingsgrove Industrial Precinct as a major industrial precinct that is attractive to regionally significant industries and businesses	This action has not commenced and is subject to a budget funding allocation. It will involve cross collaboration with Bayside and Canterbury/Bankstown Councils and the NSW State Government.	Yet to commence.
Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 12. Land is appropriately zoned for ongoing employment growth	A67. Investigate broader employment uses in all business zones in Council's LEP 2020	The land use table for the E1 Local Centre, E2 Commercial Centre and MU1 Mixed Use zones have been expanded under the Georges River LEP (GRLEP) 2021 to contain broader employment uses. The GRLEP 2021 came into effect on 8 October 2021.	Completed.
Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 13. Planning, collaboration and investment delivers employment growth and attractive, lively, accessible and productive centres	A68. Participate in the Collaboration Area process for the Kogarah Health and Education Precinct in partnership with Bayside Council and relevant State agencies	Council continues to work with stakeholders to deliver the Kogarah Collaboration Area Place Strategy. An emerging issue is the NSW Government decision to move away from collaboration areas and the changing make up of State Government departments.	Ongoing.
Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 13. Planning, collaboration and investment delivers employment growth and attractive, lively, accessible and productive centres	A69. Encourage new housing for professional and key workers in the Kogarah Health and Education Precinct and the Riverwood Planned Precinct	The Riverwood Local Centre Master Plan has not commenced to date due to budget constraints. With respect to the provision of key worker housing Council adopted its Local Housing Strategy and Inclusive Housing Strategy in August 2020. Council also adopted its Affordable Housing Policy in May 2021. Council resolved in November 2022 to prepare an affordable housing contributions scheme for the Georges River LGA.	Yet to commence.

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Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 13. Planning, collaboration and investment delivers employment growth and attractive, lively, accessible and productive centres	A70. Commence a prioritised program of public domain improvements and place-making activities that improve liveability and enhance connectivity and vibrancy of centres	There is currently a review of streetscapes being undertaken to determine the priority for upgrades. Traffic facility upgrades to support pedestrian activity in Riverwood will be undertaken, commencing in the 23/24 FY and running through 24/25 FY.	Ongoing.
Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 13. Planning, collaboration and investment delivers employment growth and attractive, lively, accessible and productive centres	A71. Develop a Local Tourism Infrastructure Strategy that aligns with the State Tourism Infrastructure Strategy	This project has not commenced. The project has not been prioritised within existing resourcing constraints.	Yet to commence.
Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 13. Planning, collaboration and investment delivers employment growth and attractive, lively, accessible and productive centres	A72. Develop a Place Strategy for Hurstville Centre with a focus on enhancing the Centre as a Southern Sydney cultural hub	Council endorsed the Place Strategy for Hurstville Centre in December 2019.	Completed.
Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 13. Planning, collaboration and investment delivers employment growth and attractive, lively, accessible and productive centres	A73. Develop an Investment Attraction Strategy for Kogarah Centre creating a desirable place for the growth of the education and health economies, facilitating innovation and looking for opportunities beyond, particularly in the professional services sector	Council endorsed the Investment Attraction Strategy for Kogarah Centre in September 2019.	Completed.
Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 13. Planning, collaboration and investment delivers employment growth and attractive, lively, accessible and productive centres	A74. Develop and implement a public art policy and program for strategic and local centres to facilitate art/culture trails across the LGA	Georges River Council's Public Art Policy was adopted by Council in April 2020. This Policy has been implemented, and provides a framework for the acquisition, assessment, development and management of public art in the Georges River LGA in accordance with community needs and industry best practice. This Policy enables Council to develop, facilitate and support an ongoing program of public art for the LGA that reflects the area's unique character and cultural heritage, and ensures the	Completed.



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			<p>ongoing care and maintenance of public artworks within the Georges River LGA.</p> <p>Work is being undertaken to make Georges River Council's public art projects more accessible, with additional artworks added to Council's Public Art webpage, and a Public Art layer added to IntraMaps. This layer in IntraMaps will soon be made available to the public and will help further in developing and creating art/culture trails across the LGA. Another avenue which has helped identify local artists/centres is Georges River Council's Arts, Heritage and Culture Directory which aims to provide a platform for individuals, groups, and organisations to showcase their work and services to the general community.</p>	
<b>Economy and Centres</b>	Planning Priority 13. Planning, collaboration and investment delivers employment growth and attractive, lively, accessible and productive centres	A75. Partner with adjoining councils and the NSW Government to upgrade infrastructure and undertake place-based planning within the Riverwood Planned Precinct	The Riverwood Local Centre Master Plan has not commenced to date due to budget constraints.	Yet to commence.
<b>Economy and Centres</b>	Planning Priority 13. Planning, collaboration and investment delivers employment growth and attractive, lively, accessible and productive centres	A76. Collaborate with the NSW Government to provide new employment opportunities alongside new housing in the Riverwood Planned Precinct	The Riverwood Local Centre Master Plan has not commenced to date due to budget constraints.	Yet to commence.

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Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 13. Planning, collaboration and investment delivers employment growth and attractive, lively, accessible and productive centres	A77. Prepare a Master plan and Implementation Plan for the Beverly Hills Town Centre to revitalise the commercial centre and improve the amenity and quality of the built environment	<p>On 24 April 2023, Council resolved to not proceed with the exhibited Beverly Hills Master Plan and to endorse certain principles and elements to guide the preparation of a new Master Plan for the Beverly Hills Town Centre, including amended studies (traffic, public domain, affordable housing, risk).</p> <p>A draft Master Plan for the Beverly Hills Town Centre is currently being prepared as per the principles and elements identified in the Council resolution of 24 April 2023.</p> <p>Public exhibition of the draft Beverly Hills Town Centre Master Plan is expected to occur in mid 2024.</p>	Ongoing.
Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 14. Hurstville, Beverly Hills and Kogarah are supported to grow night-time entertainment, dining and other recreational opportunities	A78. Undertake a night-time economy study to identify and measure night-time activities in appropriate centres for greater activation	Council endorsed the Georges River Night Time Economy Study in March 2021 and its associated action plan.	Completed.
Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 15. All local centres are supported to evolve for long-term viability	A79. Collaborate with neighbouring councils to ensure effective and consistent land use controls and public space amenity, infrastructure and maintenance across boundaries	This action is ongoing in the review of the centres within the Georges River LGA. The centre work along the boundaries of the LGA was to commence in 2022 but has been delayed due to the further work required by Council on the draft Beverly Hills and Mortdale Local Centre Master Plans. No budget was provided in FY23/24 to commence any new master planning work.	Ongoing.
Economy and Centres	Planning Priority 15. All local centres are supported to evolve for long-term viability	A80. Promote activation and ongoing viability by conducting place-based analysis of key centres including the investigation of development standards and centre expansion as part of Council's LEP 2022	The centres work was to commence in 2022 but has been delayed due to the further work required by Council on the draft Beverly Hills and Mortdale Local Centre Master Plans. No budget was provided in FY23/24 to commence any new master planning work for any other centres within the LGA.	Ongoing.

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Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 16. Our waterways are healthy and publicly accessible	A81. Complete and implement the Georges River Coastal Management Program in conjunction with the Georges Riverkeeper	Council continues to support the Georges River Combined Councils' Committee (GRCCC) each year through an annual Membership and by contributing to the finalisation of a Catchment Management Plan Scoping Study.	Ongoing.
Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 16. Our waterways are healthy and publicly accessible	A82. Complete the Marine Estate Management Strategy 2018-2028	This is a duplicate of the action above that requires the preparation and implementation of a Coastal Management Plan which is being coordinated by the Georges Riverkeeper on behalf of member councils of the Georges River Combined Councils' Committee (GRCCC).	Ongoing.
Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 16. Our waterways are healthy and publicly accessible	A83. Review development controls in the foreshore area to protect the Georges River from inappropriate development in Council's LEP 2020 and DCP 2020	The development controls for the foreshore area were reviewed as part of the preparation of the Georges River LEP 2021 and Georges River DCP 2021. Whilst not part of the Action, a further review of the foreshore controls commenced in late 2022 which involved pre-exhibition consultation conducted from October 2022 to March 2023 inclusive. Consultants Ethos Urban finalised their reports on the submissions in June 2023. This review will result in an amended set of foreshore, biodiversity and character controls being presented to the Council and community in 2024.	Ongoing.

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Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 16. Our waterways are healthy and publicly accessible	A84. Expand the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area across the LGA through Council's LEP 2020	<p>The Georges River LEP 2021 contains provisions on the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area (FSPA). Council's Local Planning Panel amended the exhibited FSPA by retaining the existing FSPA as identified by the former Hurstville Local Environmental Plan 2012 FSPA Map and adding the proposed FSPA as exhibited which includes the foreshore localities in the former Kogarah LGA. The Panel also recommended that Council as part of the preparation of the draft Local Environmental Plan in 2021/2022, further define the role, mapped extent and zoning of the FSPA in both the former Hurstville and Kogarah LGAs.</p> <p>A review of the foreshore controls commenced in late 2022 which involved pre-exhibition consultation conducted from October 2022 to March 2023 inclusive. Consultants Ethos Urban finalised their reports on the submissions in June 2023. This review will result in an amended set of foreshore, biodiversity and character controls being presented to the Council and community in 2024.</p>	Ongoing.
Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 16. Our waterways are healthy and publicly accessible	A85. Develop and implement the Foreshore Access and Improvement Plan to provide infrastructure to improve access to the waterfront of the Georges River	<p>The Georges River Foreshore Access and Improvement Plan (FAIP) was adopted by Council in March 2021. The FAIP includes prioritised actions to improve access to and condition of the public areas of the Georges River foreshore. Council continues to investigate the implementation of the FAIP as grant funding opportunities arise.</p> <p>Council is currently developing detailed designs for Donnelly Park foreshore (a FAIP priority project) for future construction.</p>	Ongoing.

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Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 16. Our waterways are healthy and publicly accessible	A86. Collaborate with National Parks and Wildlife Service to develop a vision for the Georges River National Park and advocate for improved potential amenity in Lugarno	Council collaborates with National Parks and Wildlife Service on a regular basis. Amenity and recreational actions are planned, including the kayak launch area in Lugarno. This is a key action from the Foreshore Access and Improvement Plan. Kayak Launch project to commence 2023/24.	Ongoing.
Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 16. Our waterways are healthy and publicly accessible	A87. Appropriately plan for, fund and maintain stormwater infrastructure including opportunities for re-naturalisation	Stormwater maintenance activities are ongoing. Lobbying undertaken to support increase to stormwater levy in line with inflation. Re-naturalisation projects considered in stormwater design process. Recent major projects include Beverly Park Golf Course, Gannons Park and Parkside Drive Reserve.  Council has contacted Sydney Water regarding a collaboration opportunity at Lime Kiln Bay. Council has yet to hear back from Sydney Water and will continue to look for other collaborative opportunities.	Ongoing.
Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 17. Tree canopy, bushland, landscaped settings and biodiversity are protected, enhanced and promoted	A88. Implement the Tree Management Policy to increase urban tree canopy and biodiversity across the LGA	Tree planting projects are continuing as funded under the Greening Our Cities Program. Due to particularly wet weather, planting was delayed, with 1000 trees planted by Q1 22/23 and 80 trees planted in Q1 23/24.	Ongoing.
Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 17. Tree canopy, bushland, landscaped settings and biodiversity are protected, enhanced and promoted	A89. Develop and implement a significant tree register of public and private land to protect significant trees	The project has progressed with an independent review of draft definition and criteria established by Council under which to determine a tree as significant, followed by community consultation for a period of 60 days.  Further funding of \$20,000 was provided by Council after a successful budget bid, this will enable the Significant Tree Register to be completed in 23/24.	Ongoing.

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<b>Environment and Open Space</b>	Planning Priority 17. Tree canopy, bushland, landscaped settings and biodiversity are protected, enhanced and promoted	A90. Develop a biodiversity strategy informed by the LGA-wide biodiversity study	The Biodiversity Study was undertaken in 2021, completed in early 2022 and is published on Council's website. It informed the development of the Wildlife Protection Area Policy, presented to Council in 2022. A Biodiversity Strategy is yet to be developed as a funding source has not been secured.	Ongoing.
<b>Environment and Open Space</b>	Planning Priority 18. An environmentally friendly approach is applied to all development	A91. Provide provisions in Council's LEP 2020 to ensure development in business, industrial and high density residential zones is consistent with principles of sustainable practice and environmentally sensitive design	The Georges River LEP 2021 contains Clause 6.11 Environmental Sustainability which requires that new commercial, industrial and high density residential buildings and renovations of buildings that are 1,500sqm or greater in gross floor area will need to apply best practice, environmentally sensitive design, such as energy and water efficiency. Council has developed an Environmental Sustainability Calculator to give effect to Clause 6.11 Environmental Sustainability. The commencement date for the Calculator was 1 January 2024.	Completed.
<b>Environment and Open Space</b>	Planning Priority 18. An environmentally friendly approach is applied to all development	A92. Investigate environmentally sustainable design certification of developments in the Kogarah Collaboration Area, strategic centres and hub precincts	Council appointed a consultant in July 2022 to finalise the preparation of an Environmental Sustainability Form to give effect to Clause 6.11 Environmental Sustainability of the Georges River Local Environmental Plan 2021. An Environmental Sustainability Calculator (the Calculator) has been developed jointly by the Environmental Sustainability Team and Strategic Planning Team in conjunction with	Completed.

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			external consultants Low Impact Development (LID) Consulting and Organica Engineering. Council's Executive Team endorsed the introduction of the Calculator at its meeting held 26 April 2023. Council has engaged with internal Council staff and the local development industry to finalise the preparation of the Environmental Sustainability Calculator. The commencement date for the Calculator was 1 January 2024.	
Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 18. An environmentally friendly approach is applied to all development	A93. Include provisions to reduce stormwater run-off in Council's DCP 2020	The Georges River DCP 2021 contains controls in Part 3.10 Water Management relating to the reduction of stormwater run-off. The DCP became effective in October 2021.	Completed.
Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 18. An environmentally friendly approach is applied to all development	A94. Deliver a green infrastructure policy which encompasses green and blue infrastructure in line with Greener Places 2018 objectives and addresses flood risk requirements for feasibility studies	The Overland Flow Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan for the Hurstville, Mortdale and Peakhurst Wards was adopted by Council in October 2023.  The flood study for the former Kogarah LGA will be undertaken in 23/24 now funding has been secured from the then Department of Planning and Environment (DPE).	Ongoing
Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 18. An environmentally friendly approach is applied to all development	A95. Include waste and sustainability controls in Council's DCP 2020	The Georges River DCP 2021 contains controls in Part 3.11 Ecologically Sustainable Development and Part 3.12 Waste Management relating to waste and sustainability. The DCP became effective in October 2021.	Completed.

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Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 18. An environmentally friendly approach is applied to all development	A96. Develop a Georges River Coastal Management Program in conjunction with the Georges Riverkeeper	Council continues to support the Georges River Combined Councils' Committee (GRCCC) each year through an annual Membership and by contributing to the finalisation of a Catchment Management Plan Scoping Study.	Ongoing.
Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 18. An environmentally friendly approach is applied to all development	A97. Promote the use of renewable energy storage through Council's DCP 2020	The Georges River DCP 2021 contains controls in Part 3.11 Ecologically Sustainable Development relating to renewable energy storage. The DCP became effective in October 2021.	Completed.
Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 18. An environmentally friendly approach is applied to all development	A98. Develop the Resilience Strategy for Council functions, incorporating targets to reduce emissions towards net zero carbon and deliver adaptation and mitigation projects identified in the climate change risk analysis for the LGA	<p>Council has developed an Environmental Sustainability Calculator to assist with the assessment of development applications to bring effect to Clause 6.11 Environmental sustainability of the Georges River Local Environmental Plan 2021.</p> <p>The Climate Change Risk Assessment and Adaptation Plan was integrated into the Environmental Resilience Action Plan (ERAP) and was noted by Council in February 2022. The ERAP is published on Council's website and progress towards the Actions will be reported upon over the life of the Plan. Council continues to participate in Resilient Sydney.</p>	Completed/ongoing.
Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 18. An environmentally friendly approach is applied to all development	A99. Investigate appropriate locations for and construct a community recycling centre	Liaisons with Bayside Council, and the Community Recycling Centre grant administrator (NSW Environmental Trust) have proven to be unsuccessful in securing the required time, support or location for the Community Recycling Centre to progress within the LGA. On-call recycling options are being considered for implementation throughout the new waste collection contract. Council also offers numerous recycling options on its A-Z Recycling Guide, available	Ongoing.



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			to the community on Council's website.	
<b>Environment and Open Space</b>	Planning Priority 19. Everyone has access to quality, clean, useable, passive and active open and green spaces and recreation places	A100. Investigate options to deliver Green Grid connections across the LGA	Green Grid connections have been recommended as part of the Biodiversity Study and will be implemented through the Development Control Plan. Further, Council's progression of tree planting grant projects support green connections and habitat opportunities through street tree plantings in the northern Carlton canopy corridor. Council was successful in obtaining a Greening Our City Grant for Gannons Park.	Ongoing.
<b>Environment and Open Space</b>	Planning Priority 19. Everyone has access to quality, clean, useable, passive and active open and green spaces and recreation places	A101. As part of the Metropolitan Greenspace Program, prepare a detailed master plan for the Green Grid corridor	Council secured funding via the NSW Government Metropolitan Green Space Program to develop a green grid master plan for the Salt Pan Creek priority green grid corridor in partnership with the City of Canterbury/Bankstown.  The Salt Pan Creek Metropolitan Green Space spatial framework has been completed. Council continues to investigate the implementation of this framework as grant opportunities arise.	Completed.

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Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 19. Everyone has access to quality, clean, useable, passive and active open and green spaces and recreation places	A102. Prepare required new plans of management for Council-managed parks and reserves that guide the development and embellishment of open space to support a variety of uses and changing needs	<p>In FY23/24 Council has under preparation the following Plans of Management:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Donnelly Park Plan of Management and Master Plan</li> <li>• Merriman Reserve Plan of Management and Master Plan</li> <li>• Olds Park Master Plan amendment</li> <li>• Oatley Park Plan of Management and Master Plan</li> <li>• Carss Bush Park and Todd Park Plan of Management and Master Plan</li> <li>• Generic Plans of Management – Amendment 1 – to include Riverwood Park, Rasdall Park and 25 Joffre Street Hurstville</li> </ul> <p>There are no funds to commence any new plans of management and master plans in FY23/24.</p>	<p>Completed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Generic Plans of Management</li> <li>• Hurstville Oval and Timothy Reserve, Hurstville</li> <li>• Moore Reserve, Hurstville Grove</li> <li>• Former Oatley Bowling Club Site and Closed Road.</li> <li>• Olds Park, Penshurst</li> <li>• Penshurst Park, Penshurst</li> <li>• Sans Souci Park, Sans Souci</li> </ul>
Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 19. Everyone has access to quality, clean, useable, passive and active open and green spaces and recreation places	A103. When increasing residential density through rezoning, innovative solutions will be required for public open space to be provided in accordance with the South District Plan's standard	This action will be ongoing as land is upzoned for medium and/or high density residential. Under the Georges River LEP 2021 additional land was included on the Land Acquisition Map for open space in areas where a residential density increase was proposed.	Ongoing.
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Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 19. Everyone has access to quality, clean, useable, passive and active open and green spaces and recreation places	A108. Provide for additional open space in existing high density areas through the DA process	The Georges River DCP 2021 contains controls to provide for additional open space in existing high-density areas by encouraging roof top terraces. The Georges River DCP became effective in October 2021.	Completed.
Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 20. Development is managed to appropriately respond to hazards and risks	A109. Advocate to the NSW Rural Fire Service to certify the new Georges River Council Bush Fire Prone Lands Map so that bushfire risk can be appropriately managed	The Georges River Bush Fire Prone Land Map was certified on 7 August 2020.	Completed.
Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 20. Development is managed to appropriately respond to hazards and risks	A110. Develop an LGA wide flood risk management study that holistically looks at water cycle management within the LGA including estuary or riparian assessments for water quality	<p>Council adopted the Overland Flow Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan for the Hurstville, Mortdale and Peakhurst Wards in October 2023.</p> <p>The flood study for the former Kogarah LGA will be undertaken in 23/24 now funding has been secured from the then Department of Planning and Environment (DPE).</p>	Ongoing.

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Environment and Open Space	Planning Priority 20. Development is managed to appropriately respond to hazards and risks	A111. Implement an inspections and repair/rehabilitation program of Council's piped drainage assets	Council renews a small percentage of pipes annually based on condition. In 23/24 the Stormwater Asset Management Plan will be developed.	Ongoing.