

2007 Local Action Plan North West

“A neighbourhood of young and old, a place with age and a sense of history, liveliness, buzz, diversity, community and the parks of Blackwattle Bay.”

- Voice of the Community

The Villages of Glebe, Forest Lodge, Annandale (east of The Crescent), Camperdown (north of Parramatta Road) and Glebe Point.

city of villages

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THE VISION

Lord Mayor's Introduction

In 2005, the City established the Local Action Plan strategy to work with our local communities to identify priorities for your area and develop an agreed action plan to implement them.

The Local Action Plan aims to make a difference through community partnerships, creative problem solving, targeted services and adequate funding. The identified actions will preserve what you love about your neighbourhood and address the problems you identified.

This project grew out of Council's Strategic Plan, adopted in 2005 as a roadmap for our vision of Sydney as a prosperous, vibrant and liveable city. That plan set City-wide priorities for quality public domain, open space, facilities, urban environment, transport, sustainability, social equity and City leadership.

The Strategic Plan also committed us to work with all our local communities to identify, promote and enhance the distinctive character of our unique City villages.

To make this ambitious project manageable, we mapped out eight zones across the City. These zones are simply administrative—their boundaries are flexible and we know that there are overlaps. The City has now prepared the Local Action Plan for the North West zone, covering Glebe, Forest Lodge and parts of Camperdown. It has been developed following extensive consultation since January 2006 through community surveys and studies, plus discussion with resident focus groups, Councillors and many other interested people.

Local Action Plans are complete for all areas of the City, Where work can be done within our current 2006/07 Budget, we will get started immediately.

There is still a lot of work to be done, but we are well on our way. Thank you for your involvement so far and I look forward to a continued partnership to implement the Action Plan.



Clover Moore MP
Lord Mayor of Sydney

LOCAL ACTIONS DELIVERING A CITY WIDE STRATEGY FOR SYDNEY

City of Sydney's Strategic Plan 2006-2009 sets out an agreed agenda for the longer term direction of the City and the broad parameters within which City operates. The plan is structured around seven key focus areas that encompass all of Council's activities and responsibilities. They are:

1. Quality Urban Environment	Improving residential amenity and sustainable growth
2. City Economy	Contributing to prosperity at a local and global level
3. Environmental leadership	Working now for long term sustainability
4. Community and social equity	Supporting diversity, character and vitality
5. Transport and accessibility	Improving public transport, parking and traffic
6. Improved public domain and facilities	Providing quality streetscapes and parks
7. Leadership and governance	Providing open, accountable, inclusive and transparent governance

Copies of the Strategic Plan can be found on the City of Sydney website at the following address:

<http://www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council/FormsPoliciesPublication/StrategicPlan.asp>

Council is now taking its strategic plans and goals to the neighbourhood level, through the Local Action Plans. The plans have been developed for each of the eight interrelated consultation zones within the City of Sydney Local Government Area, acting as a local framework for the delivery of the City-wide strategy. Go to the following City of Sydney website address for more details and street map:

www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/laps

ONGOING CONSULTATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community suggestions from the Local Action Plans that develop into specific projects will require further consultation on detail on a project by project basis. As projects develop, further community forums in 2007 will outline opportunities for community involvement in Local Action Plan initiatives. The City's grants program will also provide opportunities to assist in a range of areas.

As part of the regular Community Forums, opportunities for community involvement in Local Action Plan initiatives will be outlined and feedback will be sought on progress in every zone.

Have Your Say

The City looks forward to your continued involvement in the North West Local Action Plan. Contributions and comments can be sent by post to Duncan Mitchell, Project Manager, GPO Box 1591 Sydney 2001, or email to LAPS@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au.

HOW YOU SEE YOUR COMMUNITY

North West comprises three distinct but closely interlocked residential and commercial districts.

Glebe began as one of Sydney's early villages. More than 200 years later, Glebe retains its village atmosphere and a close-knit community.

The village of Glebe began in 1790 when Governor Phillip, the first Governor of New South Wales, surveyed Sydney and granted 400 acres known as "The Glebe" to the Church of England. When the church later sold the land, what locals call "Australia's first suburb" was born.

The character of original brick and stone of colonial buildings, from ornate Victorian mansions and terraces, to simple workers cottages and the old shop fronts of Glebe Point Road, has been preserved. It's a green place where trees and gardens are nurtured.

On the doorstep of The University of Sydney and a stone's throw from the University of Technology Sydney, academic and student life have helped shape the village. Glebe adopted activism, arts and intellectual pursuits in the 1960s. As a result it developed an identity as an alternative suburb in the 70s and 80s, which still pervades the life of Glebe today.

It's cultural and community heart, Glebe Point Road, is dotted with bookshops, cafes, a homeopathic dispensary and specialist organic and health food shops.

Forest Lodge is closely linked with Glebe Village. An axis with Sydney University is formed along Ross Street, which intersects with St Johns Road Glebe. This creates a small, but growing village hub of cafes, pubs and other shops and services including the Glebe Town Hall and Neighbourhood Service Centre.

Camperdown, with its City Quarter development, warehouse apartment conversions and Orphan Creek habitat restoration is developing its own strong local character. Modern urban living reinvents the original industrial characteristics of the suburb.

As one of Sydney's many harbourside communities, the people of Glebe, Forest Lodge and Camperdown have access to the Sydney Fish Market and the walk from Bicentennial Park at Glebe Point along the harbour foreshore to Rozelle and Blackwattle Bays. The North West area includes the expanse of Wentworth Park and Foley Park.

NORTH WEST IN FOCUS

Snapshot of Glebe, Forest Lodge and Camperdown

Population 13,225 and growing

The traditional owners of the North West area are the Gadigal people. North West has the third largest Indigenous population in the City.

The 2001 census data shows the area is an educated community of 13,225 residents. It is a place where 11.8 per cent of the population is under 11 years old, 35.8 per cent is aged 20 to 30 years and 9.7 per cent is 65 years and over, while 55 per cent of households have no children at home.

In the period from 2001 to 2009 the population of the area is expected to increase by about 9 per cent, including about 800 people in Camperdown.

The combined population of Glebe, Forest Lodge and Camperdown is 20 times higher, based on area, than the average for metropolitan Sydney. About 700 new households are expected in North West by 2009.

More young people, women and children

There are many more young people, women and children in the Glebe village North West area than in the City's other areas – but the resident population overall is aging. Added to this is the increasing number of empty nesters moving to the North West.

The number of single person households is decreasing but the number of couples without children is increasing, according to the 2001 Census.

The languages of the North West

English is the most spoken language with Chinese and Vietnamese the next most widely spoken languages.

A diverse population – high and low wealth and education levels

More people in Glebe than in other parts of the City have Bachelor or higher degrees, with 33 per cent of the population holding these qualifications. However, the North West also has the highest number of people with no qualifications compared to other areas of the City.

Primarily, people work in education, health and community services.

“Café culture, closeness to the city, Saturday markets, amazing food, restaurants (so many). Great pubs – always friendly, there’s always something to do every night, trivia nights, crab racing, Spanish Flamenco shows.”

- Voice of the Community

High use of public transport

The number of North West dwellers who use public transport - particularly buses - to travel to work is higher than the metropolitan Sydney average.

Parks and places for recreation

The area is characterised by significant foreshore open space, which is a focus of Council's improvement program.

Note: Figures area based on the 2001 Census. 2006 Census figures will be added when available. Figures for North West are an aggregate of Glebe, Forest Lodge and areas of Camperdown.

IN CONVERSATION WITH GLEBE, FOREST LODGE AND AREAS OF CAMPERDOWN

*“Close to the markets
and Darling Harbour”*

- Voice of the Community

During 2006 the City of Sydney Council set out to have a “conversation” with the local community to identify the hopes, ideals and needs of the local residents and business communities of Glebe, Forest Lodge and Camperdown.

The consultation included focus groups, a householder survey and review of community group strategic plans. It resulted in many comments and suggestions and has enabled the community to articulate a collective vision to Council for identity, growth and revitalisation of the North West area.

Council will respond to the community values and desires in a number of ways.

- Directly through its legislative policy and planning powers
- Directly as a service provider
- Collaboratively through community partnerships
- Through cooperation with State and Federal Government, and the private sector
- As an advocate for the community

Through a City-wide household survey, Council gathered information identifying the neighbourhood’s unique qualities deserving of protection and enhancement, suggested improvements, recreation and services needs.

The significant qualities valued by the North West community in the householder survey and consultation are “diversity” and “village atmosphere”, “trees and architecture” and “proximity to the City”.

SHARED COMMUNITY VALUES

As a result of City's review of the material gathered in the consultation period, shared community values have been developed as a framework for the long-term revitalisation of the North West. Below is a snapshot of what people in the North West indicated were their community values and aspirations as well as some of the suggested ideas that reflect them.

“The mix of different people, the pubs cafes etc... Being able to walk everywhere as everything I need is close by.”

- Voice of the Community

Shared values	Action suggested by the community
<p>Celebrating village heritage</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heritage interpretive signs and plaques • Promoting heritage incentives • Website for promoting North West
<p>People before cars</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Streetscape upgrades to enhance pedestrian spaces • Pedestrian and cycleway programs • Public transport improvements • Local speed limits
<p>Parks and places for play and peace</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving the network of existing parks, recreation areas and community gardens as the “lungs” of the village
<p>Safe, clean, friendly and thriving</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lighting and pavement improvements • Youth engagement strategy, including social development programs, drop-in centres and community spaces • Responsible dog ownership and management programs • Introducing partnerships for community building • Police on the beat
<p>Community, creative, cultural and strategic partnerships to advance a range of community building and project strategies</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community arts and creative projects • Community health and service projects • Economic and tourism strategies • Community green space and infrastructure • Public domain projects

SUGGESTIONS FROM THE COMMUNITIES OF GLEBE VILLAGE, FOREST LODGE AND CAMPERDOWN

Here are some of the local community's suggested projects for building and revitalising the villages of Glebe, Forest Lodge and Camperdown.

“The Community spirit. Closeness to little parks. The mix of people uni/public housing and yuppies”

- Voice of the Community

Priority Project: Revitalising the village centre of Glebe Point Road

Council has started work on a design concept for Glebe Point Road, extending from Broadway to Glebe Point. The focus will be on an integrated project with various elements linking together to create an even more vibrant street life and sense of community for Glebe Point Road.

Community members are being consulted and community groups involved in special interest initiatives that have been suggested to Council. Some of the suggested projects that will work together to revitalise Glebe Point Road and the community heart for Forest Lodge, Glebe and Camperdown include:

- Footpath widening and repaving for pedestrians, ensuring disability access
- Traffic calming and cycle tracks
- Continuing the public art program In community partnership
- Activating the street with cafes and buskers
- Celebrating heritage through Interpretative signage
- Undergrounding of overhead wiring
- Expanding the green street lighting strategy
- Special events and marketing co-ordination
- Heritage incentives scheme for building owners
- Changed resident parking scheme to improve parking issues

Other Projects Suggested by Your Community

Many ideas and suggestions came from the community. Council is responding with suggested projects reflecting your values and aspirations for the North West.

- An Urban Design Study as a first step in improvements to St Johns Road and Ross Street (now underway, see A16)
- Habitat restoration projects for the Orphan School Creek Gully, providing walking trails and improvements to adjoining parklands – stage one complete by end of 2006
- Completing a continuous Foreshore walk along Glebe's Harbour Foreshores and Waterside parks – now in construction
- Transforming Wentworth Park to a regional park and village green for Glebe, Pyrmont and Ultimo – staged improvements now underway
- Meeting the needs of all in the community through a new community centre –early needs assessment underway
- A Village Partnership Program for the local community groups to work on implementing a range of initiatives, from safety and clean streets to brand and tourism strategy – Council grants available
- Community Information Exchange to help people in the community connect with each other, access local information and promote the Glebe area
- Adopt a street or laneway - greening Glebe's parks, laneways and streets by assisting volunteers and community partnerships
- Creating an expanded network of parks and green space in the public domain of Glebe, Forest Lodge and Camperdown. – Council has recently acquired more land at Wood Street, The Crescent and Franklyn Street playground

Short, Medium and Long Term Schedule

The tables below provide a snapshot of the priority list of requests received from the community and how and when the City aims to undertake the various projects.

The timelines are:

- Short Term/Underway – now to 2008
- Medium Term – 2008 to 2009
- Longer Term – 2010 and beyond

THE PLAN

No	COMMUNITY REQUEST	ACTION	TIMING (see P 10)	COMMENT
1	Revitalising Glebe Point Road as the heart of the North West	<p>Upgrade Glebe Point Road, integrating all relevant Council strategies including, cycling, pedestrian, disability access, integrated transport, tourism and economic strategies.</p> <p>Improve lighting, paving, street trees and landscaping, underground cables, review parking, reduce signage and clutter.</p> <p>Activate the streetscape through public art and interpretive signage developed with the community.</p>	<p>Short to medium term</p> <p>Underway</p>	<p>The comprehensive upgrade of Glebe Point Road is now underway. This project will have short, medium and long term outcomes.</p> <p>Community partnerships will be vital to inform all aspects of the project from physical improvements to the public domain to community art, branding, tourism and community building strategies.</p> <p>See A33 - Village meeting place.</p>
2	Flower and tree planting program to beautify the village	Implement an area-wide tree planting program to green and landscape improvement project.	<p>Short term</p> <p>Underway</p>	<p>743 new street trees were planted across the City in 2005, with suburbs west of the CBD as one of the priority areas. Double this number of trees were planted in the 2006, with close to 1770 planted, adding to the 25,000 street trees already in City of Sydney.</p> <p>A new landscaping program has been developed to progressively replant and raise the standard of landscaping on traffic islands and the like.</p>
3	Better lighting of footpaths and pedestrian crossings throughout whole area to encourage safe pedestrian activity	Develop implementation plan for Council's Exterior Lighting Strategy adopted in 2005. Trial a lighting improvement project, to provide new high environmental standards in Glebe.	<p>Short to medium term</p> <p>Underway</p>	The City is in partnership with Energy Australia to trial a "green street light strategy" in Glebe.
4	Expand lighting around schools and in Department of Housing (DoH) areas	Monitor the trial lighting improvement project outlined above and develop a plan for addressing safety "hot spots".	<p>Short to medium term</p> <p>Underway</p>	The City is working with the NSW Government to implement lighting improvements to the Department of Housing areas.
5	Footpath, road and access upgrades, especially in Department of Housing (DoH) areas	Develop and implement a new maintenance program in DoH and surrounding areas to raise the standard of footpaths, road pavements and pedestrian crossings.	<p>Short to medium term</p> <p>Underway</p>	The footpath and road surfaces to be upgraded throughout the area. Department of Housing areas will be a priority.

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6	Improve the footpaths in the Forest Lodge area to increase safety	<p>Develop and implement a new maintenance program for improving footpaths and pedestrian crossings in Forest Lodge and prioritise lighting improvements in safety “hot spots”.</p> <p>Include assessment by a suitable access consultant.</p>	<p>Short to medium term</p> <p>Underway</p>	<p>Council is delivering new footpaths as part of the City's ongoing works program to provide safe footpaths for residents. Council will continue to maintain and repair faulty surfaces as part of ongoing maintenance.</p> <p>A new “green street light project” is soon to be trialled in the Glebe area to improve lighting levels and higher environmental standards. The trial will be monitored and considered for future use in the Forest Lodge area.</p>
7	Removal of trolleys to improve street cleaning beyond main streets	<p>Develop and implement a new policy to improve trolley management.</p> <p>Reduce the level of dumped rubbish through a better education program, monitoring and clearing “hot spots”, introducing more responsive collection and enforcement.</p> <p>Work with Broadway Shopping Centre to improve trolley collection</p>	<p>Short term</p>	<p>A new Rapid Response Team was established in 2006 to ensure quicker clearing of dumped rubbish. A series of “hot spots” are also being monitored and cleared as part of the domestic garbage collection contract.</p> <p>Increased community participation and reporting is fundamental to improve the City's service levels.</p>
8	Improved street cleaning and graffiti removal beyond main streets	<p>Promote Council's rapid response service for quick graffiti removal.</p> <p>Develop and maintain improved street cleaning service levels.</p>	<p>Short term</p> <p>Underway</p>	<p>Council, community and Glebe Chamber of Commerce to work together to identify trouble spots.</p> <p>A new team approach has also been introduced to ensure better coordination of street cleaning. Sweeper trucks and cleaning crews will operate simultaneously to ensure street cleaning is done in one hit.</p>
9	Improve the quality of storm water and reduce litter flowing into the harbour	<p>Improve area wide street cleaning to reduce street leaf litter.</p> <p>Ensure ongoing promotion of Blackwattle Bay Stormwater education program.</p>	<p>Short to medium term</p> <p>Underway</p>	<p>New environmental standards will be implemented as part of the Glebe Point Road upgrade.</p> <p>Consider building on previous community education campaigns.</p>
10	Include Glebe as part of the City's Global Sydney promotional activities and develop a local tourism strategy	<p>Work with the Glebe Chamber of Commerce to implement the tourism initiatives in their Economic Development Strategy.</p>	<p>Short term</p> <p>Underway</p>	<p>The Glebe Chamber of Commerce has developed branding with Council support. Council is also working with Tourism NSW to build on this branding work.</p>

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11	Business development strategy for Glebe to support the local economy	Work with the Glebe Chamber of Commerce to implement the marketing and business development initiatives in their Economic Development Strategy.	Short term Underway	Glebe Chamber of Commerce developed their own Economic Development Strategy with Council funding and support. The strategy includes tourism and marketing initiatives for the development of local business.
12	Apply mixed use zones to encourage development in retail precincts	Apply mixed use zones to create self-sustaining areas in the Glebe Forest Lodge and Camperdown communities.	Short term Underway	Under consideration as part of the City Plan review.
13	Footpath licensing made free to encourage more street life	Undertake a combined review of the footpath licensing and planning controls to activate the street. Ensure disability access is not compromised by footpath activation. Review busking licence program to encourage activities that contribute colour and life to the local area.	Short to medium term	Consider as part of the Glebe Point Road revitalisation.
14	Programs to encourage businesses to keep laneways clean and clear.	Promote good waste presentation practices by local businesses.	Short term Underway	City will devise strategies and implementation in liaison with community.
15	Heritage incentives for businesses to improve shopfronts and investigate starting a "tidy village shop" competition	Provide support and incentives to encourage private owners of heritage buildings to undertake new conservation work. Investigate establishing the Keep Australia Beautiful Metro Pride Program.	Short, medium and long term Underway	Council introduced a new heritage grants program in 2006. Applications closed Friday 4 August 2006. Applications were received from the Glebe area and are currently under consideration.
16	Ross Street and St Johns Road revitalisation as a second village hub.	Review planing controls to build on the street's unique retail character and revitalise the area as a village focal point. Undertake improvements to the streetscape as part of maintenance programmes.	Medium to long term	The unique retail character that is developing in the area will benefit from streetscape improvements delivered through Council maintenance programs. Longer term improvement to use and activity in the area is under consideration as part of the City Plan review.
17	Improve safe access to Forest Lodge School	Plan as part of the Pedestrian Plan.	Short to medium term	Council is developing a schedule for consultation with the community and the police to improve safety.

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18	<p>Improved safety:</p> <p>Advocate increased police presence at known “hot spots”</p> <p>Safety by design</p> <p>Revitalisation and lighting projects</p>	<p>Undertake cyclic safety audits to identify community safety issues such as lighting, visual obstructions, traffic hazards and access. All issues identified are to be addressed through existing programs and services.</p> <p>Public safety design principles are to be applied in public domain upgrades.</p> <p>Implement Council’s revised alcohol free zone policy adopted in 2006.</p> <p>Develop implementation plan for Council’s Exterior Lighting Strategy adopted in 2005.</p> <p>See 3</p>	<p>Short to medium term</p> <p>Underway</p>	<p>Council completed a safety audit in a number of streets in Glebe through 2005. Recommendations are progressively being implemented.</p> <p>The City will continue to consult the community and the police to identify “hot spots” for improved safety.</p>
19	<p>Completion of the Glebe Foreshore walk to Sydney Fish Market and Pyrmont and the City</p> <p>Improvements to Bicentennial Park, Jubilee Park Oval and Blackwattle Bay Park</p>	<p>Undertake the staged construction of a continuous foreshore walk and a series of improvements to the harbour side parks from Pyrmont to Annandale.</p>	<p>Short, medium and long term</p> <p>Underway</p>	<p>The City is well advanced in delivering the foreshore walk on land under the control of the City.</p> <p>In view of the need to involve different land owners in this process, Council is acting as an advocate to achieve its aim and that of the Metropolitan Strategy for Sydney - a continuous foreshore walk.</p>
20	<p>Establish community gardens in Forest Lodge and Camperdown</p>	<p>Inform the community about existing community gardens.</p> <p>Increase participation in the community garden category of the City of Sydney’s annual garden awards.</p> <p>Review the City’s network of community gardens and develop a long term plan to ensure balanced provision across the City.</p>	<p>Short – medium</p> <p>Underway</p>	<p>Recognise some gardens are on private land and that Council and community groups can promote more active use of these.</p> <p>Promote the City Web site community garden information.</p>

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21	Improve safety and amenity at Wentworth Park and Wentworth Park Road	<p>Upgrade Wentworth Park Road pedestrian crossings.</p> <p>Consider improved access Wattle Street along the light rail crossing.</p> <p>Work with the Sporting Complex Trust to make more efficient use of the land occupied by the Greyhound Sporting Complex and return portions of the Crown Reserve to public accessible open space.</p> <p>Permanently cease all car parking on the sections of Wentworth Park managed by Council.</p> <p>Improve views in and through the site by ensuring that any replacement fence is designed and made of materials that allow views into the Sporting Complex.</p> <p>Permanently remove all redundant non-heritage buildings and structures.</p> <p>Proceed with the short term maintenance upgrades recently developed in consultation with community representatives.</p>	Short term Underway	In June 2006 Council resolved to offer the Sporting Complex Trust \$500,000 support, subject to opening up of an additional 5,000 square metres (15%) of permanently publicly accessible parkland and permanent removal of car parking from Wentworth Park. The additional public open space is to be managed by Council on behalf of the broader community.
22	Develop a viaduct arches renewal program based on heritage values, public art, lighting and park improvements	<p>Develop proposals for possible relocation of the change rooms and storage facilities that are currently within closed sections of the viaduct.</p> <p>Develop a medium term plan for opening up the arches and possibly lighting as feature.</p>	Medium term	Any proposals for relocation will be developed in partnership with the sporting clubs and cultural users of the spaces, with a view to all groups maintaining use of suitable local premises

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23	<p>Restore Orphan School Creek gully - retain wild nature and habitats and make safe pedestrian parklands</p> <p>Complete works to new local parks adjoining Orphan School Creek at Wood Street</p>	<p>Complete the third stage of Orphan Street School Gully.</p> <p>Consult with the local community on the design of Wood Street Park.</p> <p>Council will continue to negotiate with the State Government to preserve public ownership of the Crown Land at 9 Alfred Road, Forest Lodge.</p>	<p>Short to medium</p> <p>Underway</p>	<p>The third and final stage of improvements for Orphan Street School Gully is nearing completion. The Wood Street link to be developed.</p>
24	<p>Minogue Reserve and Peter Forsyth Auditorium forecourt upgrade to include multi-purpose courts for open access</p> <p>Increased use for youth oriented programs</p>	<p>Work with Broadway Shopping Centre to upgrade Minogue Reserve and Peter Forsyth forecourt, including providing multi-purpose courts for open access</p> <p>Continue to work with the Glebe Youth Service to target Indigenous youth for organised sporting programs.</p>	<p>Short, medium and long term</p> <p>Underway</p>	<p>Council is working with the community, the Glebe Youth Service, local stakeholders, the Broadway Centre and the Glebe Chamber of Commerce to implement youth programs.</p>
25	<p>Improve amenities in foreshore parks for picnics, barbeques and provide toilets</p>	<p>Implement a staged project to restore and upgrade Glebe Foreshore. Upgrades are to include the construction of new access paths, boardwalks, mangrove habitat, and recreation craft launching area, field lighting to Federal and Jubilee Ovals, provision of new furniture, park lighting, extensive landscaping (including the planting of over 8,000 trees, shrubs and ground covers), toilets, barbeque facilities and the restoration of Bellevue House.</p>	<p>Short – Medium</p> <p>Underway</p>	<p>Work on Stage 2 of the Glebe Foreshore project, from Chapman Road, Annandale, to Cook Street, Glebe, is now completed</p> <p>Field lighting to Jubilee Oval and Federal Park is scheduled is now completed and Bellevue House is scheduled for completion in February 2007.</p> <p>Design for stage 5 of the foreshore walk (Ferry Road to Pymont Road) is underway.</p>
26	<p>May Pitt Reserve and playgrounds improvements</p>	<p>Upgrade playground equipment; install soft fall facility, a new litter bin and drinking fountain.</p>	<p>Short term</p> <p>Complete</p>	<p>The installation of new playground equipment and soft fall facility was recently completed.</p>
27	<p>Arundel Street Playground Improvement</p>	<p>Remove the old non-compliant, un-safe playground, as well as the old wire mesh fence at street frontage. Install new timber boundary fence and new soft landscaping.</p>	<p>Short term</p> <p>Complete</p>	<p>Upgrade works to the Reserve were completed in June 2006.</p>

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28	Ernest Pederson Park Steps upgrade	Construct new retaining terrace walls along the steps and adjacent to Burton Street, repair and repaint the existing steps' handrail, plant new trees, shrubs and ground cover.	Short term Complete	The landscape upgrade works for Ernest Pedersen Steps were completed on 28 July 2006.
29	HJ Foley Park improvement	Upgrade Foley Park to increase usable area, provide a multifunctional, flexible park with improved access, safety and passive surveillance. Upgrade playground to become a regional facility, improve the setting of heritage listed War Memorial, interpret significant historic events and structures in the park and improve health of mature fig trees.	Short term Underway	The City is currently developing plans for the upgrade of Foley Park following the adoption of the Plan of Management in September 2005, developed in consultation with the Glebe community. Construction works are scheduled to commence in 2007, subject to development approval.
30	Franklyn Street Playground improvements	Improve playground safety and expand surrounds.	Short to medium term Underway	The City has acquired adjoining land to extend the parkland.
31	Education and management programs for responsible dog ownership	Promote as part of village pride program. Install signage program for good manners and management of dogs to ensure clean streets and parks.	Short term	Council has initiated the Companion Animals Policy. This policy promotes responsible pet ownership, particularly in relation to being in control at all times and picking-up of waste, as well as education to the general community about the benefits of pet ownership, including substantial national health savings.
32	Provide a village meeting place in Glebe Point Road – redesigning the school grounds to have more shared use as public domain	Under investigation as part of Glebe Point Road upgrade and H.J. Foley Park Improvements. Negotiate with Glebe Primary School.	Medium term	Council, community and State Government to work on this idea as part of Glebe Point Road revitalisation.
33	Relocate Wentworth Park Greyhound Racing	Continue to advocate for the ultimate relocation of the greyhound racing facility and return of prime Crown Land to the public.	Long term	Negotiations are underway for regaining 5,000 square meters of additional parkland and removal of solid fencing to open up park views. Council will continue to work in collaboration with State Government agencies and Greyhound Racing to agree to a timetable for the ultimate relocation.

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34	Promote future use of Glebe Island compatible with the notion of the "The Working Harbour"	Advocate for the community to seek compatible use of Glebe Island.	Short, medium and long term Underway	Council influence is limited to advocacy as Glebe Island is outside Council boundaries.
35	Provide adequate public access to the foreshore and ensure compatible uses of Blackwattle Bay wharves	Review opportunities for improved public access. Continue to advocate for compatible uses in any redevelopment of Blackwattle Bay wharves.	Short, medium and long term Underway	Council has consistently represented community interests on Bank Street Master Plan, Sydney Fish Market Redevelopment and Blackwattle Bay wharves. Council has requested a report to review public access.
36	Reduce noise	Enforce relevant controls. Review late night trading provisions and the hours of commercial garbage collection.	Short to medium term Underway	Council has initiated policy to control the hours of commercial garbage collection. The City is preparing a Night Trading Development Control Plan to provide better land use control and management options for night trading premises.
37	Review and broaden access to grants for community, cultural and recreational events	Review and monitor policy for community grants to ensure broad access.	Short term Underway	Council completed a review of the policy for community grants in July 2006. The review resulted in the adoption of four new grants programs providing a total of fourteen grants programs.
38	Council to work with local Chamber of Commerce and local groups to develop local employment, education and training opportunities for young people	Work with the Chamber of Commerce and Community Groups to develop and implement youth mentoring programs.	Medium term Underway	Council is working with the Glebe Youth Service to get local businesses (including the Glebe Chamber of Commerce) to mentor young people.
39	Guide community in developing new events and festivals	Develop a City-wide Cultural Plan. Continue to support community groups in the development and celebration of local culture through the Cultural Grants and Sponsorship program. Cultural events and programs are also to be considered as an integral part of the Glebe Point Road upgrade.	Short term Underway	Council funded a new Mitchell Street Fair in 2006. Cultural Events and Sponsorship Grants for 2007/2008 open in February 2007.

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40	<p>A Social Plan focussed on services for young, aged, Indigenous and families</p> <p>These would include alcohol and other drug services, community health and sexual health services for young people and issues to do with community transport</p>	<p>Respond to community health needs as part of the City's Drug and Alcohol Strategy.</p> <p>Implement the City's Social Plan, Youth Strategy and Council adopted recommendations Child Care Needs Study.</p>	<p>Short term</p> <p>Underway</p>	<p>Council adopted a new Social Plan in June 2006. The Child care needs study was completed in 2005. Council's Youth Strategy action plan is also being implemented to address major youth issues and needs.</p>
41	<p>Examine community needs for recreational facilities including a running track, craft centres, gymnasiums for kids, and multi-purpose courts in Forest Lodge Camperdown and Glebe</p>	<p>Develop and implement a plan to meet recreation needs across the City.</p>	<p>Short to medium term</p> <p>Underway</p>	<p>The City-wide open space and recreation needs study is currently underway.</p>
42	<p>Provide community services such as an outreach library service in the Department of Housing (DOH) area</p>	<p>Implement the Council's Library Facilities Plan.</p> <p>Expand the current storage capacity in Glebe Library.</p>	<p>Short, medium and long term</p> <p>Underway</p>	<p>A project is currently underway to increase shelving space in the Glebe library.</p>
43	<p>Study which looks at social isolation and community development initiatives in Department of Housing properties</p>	<p>Explore Redfern's Creating Safer Communities Pilot Scheme and the possibility of extending it to the North West.</p>	<p>Medium term</p>	<p>A range of community grants are available to assist in community development.</p>
44	<p>Establish North West web site</p>	<p>Council to set up community noticeboards</p> <p>Investigate new media opportunities and providing wireless internet connection at community centres</p>	<p>Medium term</p>	<p>This project will be developed as part of a City-wide project to support community information exchange.</p>

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45	Develop a village partnership initiative to encourage programs for community wellbeing	Continue to support community groups in the development of wellbeing through Council's Grants and Sponsorship programme. Continue to conduct and promote Council's garden competition.	Short to medium term Underway	Council completed a review of the Community Grants Policy in July 2006 and adopted four new grants providing a total of 14 programs. Three of the six garden competition winners in 2006 were from Glebe, including Best Multi Dwelling, Best School or Community Garden and Best Department of Housing Tenancy.
46	Parking meters to stop at 6pm to help restaurants and allow 20 minutes free to help retailers	Review Glebe Point Road parking controls as part of the upgrade project. Consider the suggested parking improvements developed by Glebe Chamber of Commerce.	Medium term	The suggested parking improvements developed by Glebe Chamber of Commerce may provide opportunity to offset the interruption to parking spaces during construction stage of the Glebe Point Road upgrade. As alterations to parking can affect the broad community, any proposals will be subject to extensive consultation.
47	Enforcement of speed limits and parking restrictions	Seek police enforcement of speed limits in hot spots.	Short term Underway	Council is discussing the identified problems with local area police. The City will seek community co-operation through designing traffic calming devices.
48	Advocacy for light rail network extension to Circular Quay and Dulwich Hill and consider a Glebe Point Road stop at corner of Toxteth and Glebe Point Road and a link to Broadway	Continue to advocate for the extension of light rail to Circular Quay.	Short, medium and long term Underway	The City's Integrated Transport Strategy is also in development, seeking an efficient and integrated transport system to link communities to each other, workers to their workplaces, residents and visitors to the City's amenities and tourist features and businesses to goods, services and markets within the City and the region.
49	Transport Management Plan and pedestrian plan for Glebe and Forest Lodge to examine a new bridge at Blackwattle Bay, clearway in sections of Glebe Point Road, traffic calming, traffic speeds, truck routes, cycle links and pedestrian links, public transport and light rail planning	Develop and implement Local Area Traffic Management, bicycle and pedestrian plans.	Short term Underway	Council is completing the following plans: a City- wide Pedestrian Strategy, Cycle Strategy and Integrated Transport Management Plan. Consultations for Local Area Traffic Management schemes are proposed for the North West area in early 2007.

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50	Make all laneways 10 km/h shared spaces	Review as part of local area Traffic Management Plan.	Short to medium term	Shared zones are considered as part of Local Area Traffic Management reviews.