Employment Lands - Project Chronology 2006-2014

2006	Green Square Mixed Use Review	Recommends industrial zoning in employment lands
		where they overlap with Green Square.
2006	Mixed use review publicly notified – Council resolved to incorporate zoning into City Plan	
2008	Southern Industrial Lands Land Use and Urban Design Study (SIA Study)	Recommends mostly industrial zoning across the Southern Industrial Area (now referred to as the Southern Employment Lands).
2008	SIA Study publicly notified – Council resolved to incorporate zoning into City Plan	
2010	City Plan adopted by Council for public exhibition	Adopted zonings show the employment lands as largely zoned industrial.
2010	The Minister for Planning-directs Council to 'exclude' certain lands from City Plan.	The Minister's Direction followed representations from landowners that the proposed zoning would impact on the value of the land. The land was excluded pending the preparation of an employment lands study.
2011	City Plan publicly exhibited	City Plan was exhibited showing certain lands within the employment lands as 'excluded'.
2012	Council adopts City Plan and it comes into force in December.	The Sydney LEP 2012 is made with certain lands in the employment lands being 'excluded' pending the preparation of the employment lands. In the main the employment lands are zoned industrial with an undertaking by Council to prepare an Employment Lands Study.
2012	Employment Lands Study	Prepared by SGS, the Study was partially funded by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure
2012	Consultation with stakeholders to inform the preparation of the study and its recommendations.	Consultation was with landowners, residents, business operators, real estate agents and key organisations with a strategic interest in the area, for example Sydney Airport. Consultation occurred by face to face meetings, workshops and phone surveys.
May 2013	Employment Lands Study and Draft Employment Lands Strategy is adopted by Council for public exhibition.	The public exhibition includes 'drop in' consultation, face to face meetings with directly affected landowners, community meetings, consultation with government including Transport for NSW, RMS and adjoining councils.
2013	Technical studies and analysis:	Technical studies were to provide detailed analysis of the employment lands to inform the preparation of planning controls.
Jun 2014	Draft planning controls for the employment lands are adopted by Council for public exhibition	Draft controls include the Draft Planning Proposal and DCP amendment. Principles for the preparation of an Affordable Housing Program were also adopted.
Nov 2014	Statutory consultation process begins.	A Gateway determination was issued in September and the draft controls and a draft Affordable Housing Program were publicly exhibited. The exhibition was notified by letter, email (where possible), City Of Sydney website and newspaper advertisement. Approximately 60 submissions have been received.

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