Part C - Precinct Plans

14. Ultimo

The area is bound by Wattle, Pyrmont and Harris Streets and is located on the Pyrmont Ultimo peninsula. The area has experienced significant urban renewal as it is transformed from industrial uses to a primarily residential area.

14.1 Precinct objectives

General

- Use small and medium scale trees where footpaths are narrow.
- Reinforce mixed species tree planting in residential streets.

Special

 Reinforce Harris Street as major boulevard of London Planes.

14.2 Precinct conditions

Existing street trees

The street trees of Ultimo are the result of over three decades of plantings. Generally, there is good streetscape amenity and canopy cover as many of the street trees are established specimens. There are large numbers of native trees such as Brush Box (*Lophostemon confertus*), Water Gum (*Tristaniopsis laurina*) and various types of Eucalyptus planted in many residential streets.

There is a combination of established avenues that require long term replacement strategies, and streets that have many young trees. In most of the residential areas the street tree planting schemes are mixed with both native and exotic species growing along the same street to provide visual interest. Wentworth Park located in the north west corner of the precinct provides significant borrowed landscape to Wattle and William Henry Streets.

Current dominant species

Lophostemon confertus Brush Box Tristaniopsis laurina Water Gum Platanus acerifolia Plane Trees

Built form and road widths

The character of Ultimo is a mix of quiet streets lined with rows of terrace houses contrasting with the busy commercial strip and University of Technology Sydney campus located along Broadway. This area contains the Powerhouse Museum which separates Haymarket and the Ultimo residential areas. The major arterial streets are Harris Street and Wattle Street. The area is impacted by services and by tall buildings (especially in the south) which cast heavy shade for street trees.

Microclimate

The area is relatively protected from the elements and due to the low scale development the precinct enjoys good access to natural light.

Geological conditions

The main geology of the area is Hawkesbury Sandstone.

Soil conditions

The soils are typically thin and sandy with filling in the lower areas

14.3 Proposed Primary Tree Species Palette

14.5 Proposed Primary free Species Palette	
Common Name	Species
Brush Box	Lophostemon confertus
Weeping Lillypilly	Waterhousea floribunda 'GA'
Chinese Tallow Tree	Sapium sebiferum
Bottlebrush	Callistemon viminalis
Golden Rain Tree	Koelreutaria paniculata
Crows Ash	Flindersia australis
Japanese Zelkova	Zelkova serrata
Jacaranda	Jacaranda mimosifolia
Broad- leaf Paperbark	Melaleuca quinquenervia
Tuckeroo	Cupaniopsis anacardioides
London Plane	Platanus acerifolia
Smooth Barked Apple	Angophora costata
Simon Poplar	Populus simonii



Figure 64- Wentworth Park provides significant borrowed landscape to the surrounding area. (Photo Arterra)



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