# Part C - Precinct Plans

# 7. Haymarket

This precinct is bound by Liverpool, Day, Quay and George Streets. This is the traditional market area of Sydney which is known as Chinatown. The special character of this precinct is immediately apparent in the abundance of Asian restaurants, signs, architectural ornamentation and lighting. Dixon Street Mall is one of the most heavily pedestrianised areas of the city.

# 7.1 Precinct objectives

#### General

 To improve pedestrian amenity and provide summer shade by planting deciduous flowering street trees.

#### **Special**

• To reflect the vibrancy of the precinct through the selection of trees with colourful flowers and foliage.

# 7.2 Precinct conditions

#### Existing street trees

Dixon Street Mall provides an impressive canopy covered pedestrian walkway that contributes significantly towards the quality of the surrounding public domain. However, the area has many streets that could be improved with additional street planting or street upgrades, refer to the 'China Town Public Domain Plan 2009'.

### Current dominant species

Ficus benjamina Weeping Fig
Koelreutaria paniculata Golden Rain Tree
Robinia pseudoacacia 'Frisia' Golden Robinia

# Built form and road widths

The built form comprises buildings of four to seven storeys with facades built to the street alignment. There is a rich variety of architectural styles and building types. Due to the mainly low scale built form, there are few areas where heavy shade is experienced.

Awnings are a major constraint in Ultimo Road and Sussex Street. There are also overhead constraints associated with catenary lighting installed in Sussex Street and the Monorail on Hay and Harbour Streets.

# <u>Microclimate</u>

Much of the area is protected from winds and is not impacted by significant overshadowing.

#### Geological conditions

The geology of the area consists of Hawkesbury sandstone and sandy fluvial eroded sediment.

#### Soil conditions

Much of this precinct is built on low-lying land and the original soils profiles have been disturbed and extensively filled over.

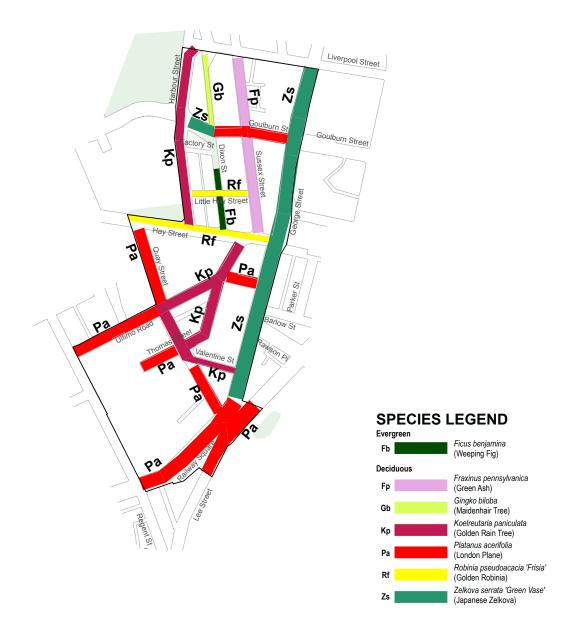
# 7.3 Proposed Primary Tree Species Palette

Common Name	Species
Green Ash	Fraxinus pennsylvanica
Maidenhair Tree	Gingko biloba
Weeping Fig	Ficus benjamina
Golden Rain Tree	Koelreutaria paniculata
Japanese Zelkova	Zelkova serrata 'Green Vase'
London Plane	Platanus acerifolia
Golden Robinia	Robinia pseudoacacia 'Frisia'



Figure 56- Ficus benjamina on Dixon street contribute significantly to the quality of the surrounding public domain. (Photo Arterra)

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# **LEGEND**



Public open space





