

# City of Sydney Community Survey – Planning for 2050 March 2019

## Survey purpose

While 2050 may seem a long time away, we need to plan now if we are to meet the ongoing and future needs of our communities.

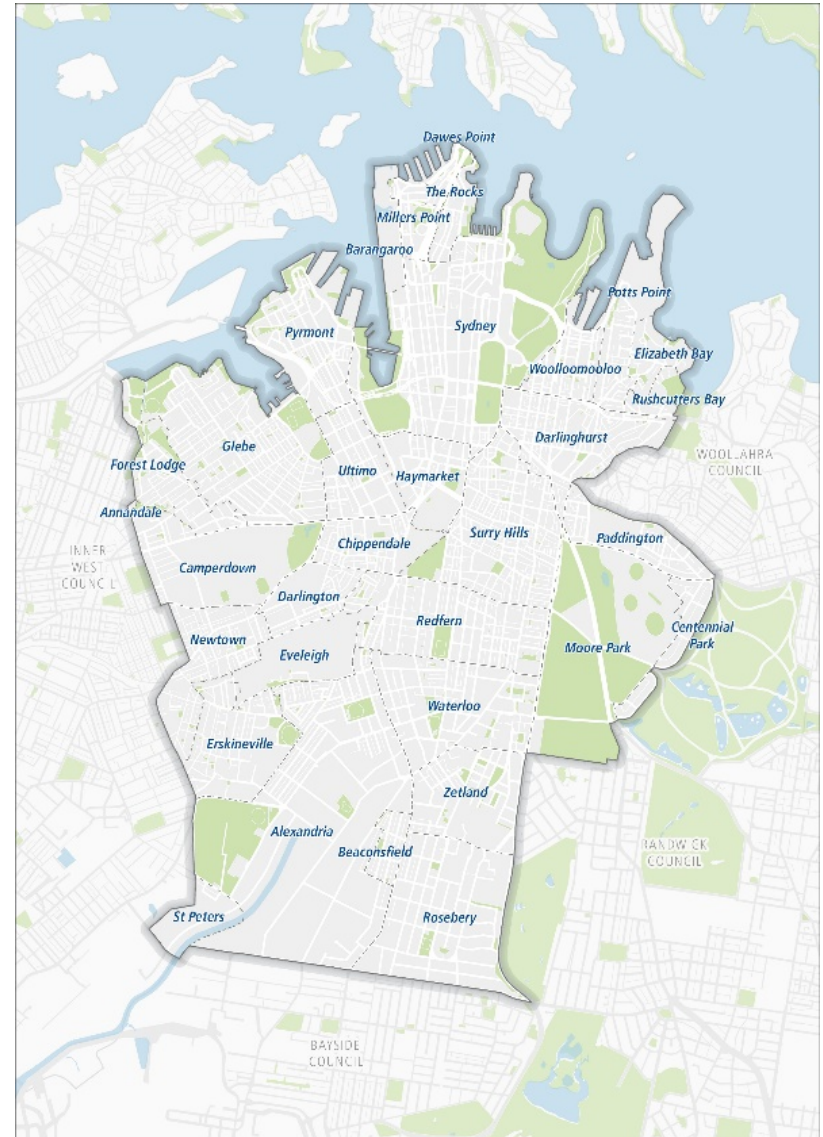
That's why we're reviewing our community strategic plan, Sustainable Sydney 2030. The updated plan will guide the work we do to 2050.

When we talk about 'Sydney' we mean all the suburbs that make up the City of Sydney local area.

Every day 1.3 million people live, work, study, do business, shop and go out in [our local area](#). All of these people have an interest in the future of Sydney and can have their say on this plan.

For most questions, select one or more options from a list. Many of these options were suggested by community members at earlier meetings to plan for 2050. There are also opportunities for more detailed responses where you can give your views in your own words.

Your individual responses will remain anonymous, and only be reported in aggregate. Please refer to the City's [privacy management plan](#).



## **How to submit your completed survey:**

Email:

You can scan your completed survey and email it to [sydneyyoursay@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au](mailto:sydneyyoursay@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au)

Post it to:

Chief Executive Officer

Attn: Jen Guice, Senior Project Manager Strategic Engagement

City of Sydney

GPO Box 1591

Sydney NSW 2001

Drop it into:

One of the City of Sydney's customer service centres, or hand it to City of Sydney staff at one of our Sydney 2050 consultation pop-up events.

## Survey Questions

**Q1. Which of these describe your relationship to the City of Sydney area?**

- Business owner
- Worker
- Resident
- Student
- Visitor
- Property owner

**Q2. Where do you live? Provide your suburb or post code .....**

**Q3. Where do you spend most of your time when you are in the City of Sydney area?**

- |                                       |                                     |  |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="radio"/> Alexandria      | <input type="radio"/> Elizabeth Bay | <input type="radio"/> Redfern              |
| <input type="radio"/> Annandale       | <input type="radio"/> Erskineville  | <input type="radio"/> Rosebery             |
| <input type="radio"/> Barangaroo      | <input type="radio"/> Eveleigh      | <input type="radio"/> Royal Botanic Garden |
| <input type="radio"/> Beaconsfield    | <input type="radio"/> Forest Lodge  | <input type="radio"/> Rushcutters Bay      |
| <input type="radio"/> Broadway        | <input type="radio"/> Glebe         | <input type="radio"/> St Peters            |
| <input type="radio"/> Camperdown      | <input type="radio"/> Green Square  | <input type="radio"/> Surry Hills          |
| <input type="radio"/> Centennial Park | <input type="radio"/> Haymarket     | <input type="radio"/> The Rocks            |
| <input type="radio"/> Central         | <input type="radio"/> Hyde Park     | <input type="radio"/> Town Hall            |
| <input type="radio"/> Chinatown       | <input type="radio"/> Kings Cross   | <input type="radio"/> Ultimo               |
| <input type="radio"/> Chippendale     | <input type="radio"/> Martin Place  | <input type="radio"/> University of Sydney |
| <input type="radio"/> Circular Quay   | <input type="radio"/> Millers Point | <input type="radio"/> Walsh Bay            |
| <input type="radio"/> City Centre     | <input type="radio"/> Moore Park    | <input type="radio"/> Waterloo             |

- Darling Harbour
- Darlinghurst
- Darlington
- Dawes Point

- Newtown
- Paddington
- Potts Point
- Pyrmont

- Woolloomooloo
- Zetland

**Q4. Now think about the Sydney you want in the future. Which words describe what you hope Sydney will be like in the next 30 years. These words have been suggested by the community at Sydney 2050 consultation events. Select as many or as few as you like. You can also add your own words at the end.**

- Harmonious
- Green
- Natural
- Well governed
- Fair
- Sustainable
- Innovative
- Welcoming
- Peaceful
- Village feel
- Generous
- Inclusive
- Thriving businesses
- Walkable
- Safe
- Lively
- Family-friendly
- Dog-friendly
- Diverse
- Creative
  
- Other word (please specify).....
- Other word (please specify) .....
- Other word (please specify) .....
- None of these

**Q5. Which of these phrases describes what would excite you about Sydney's future? Select as many or as few as you like. You can add your own words and phrases at the end. These have been suggested by the community at planning for Sydney 2050 consultation events.**

- A quality public transport network that includes walking and cycling
- A connected and generous community where people trust each other and help each other out
- A culturally diverse community where difference is embraced
- A creative city where people can have fun
- A city that celebrates Aboriginal communities, culture and connection to country
- A green city with parks, trees and nature
- A city that uses innovation and technology to improve our lives
- A city with great architecture and local character
- A city with inviting public places
- A city that uses resources – water, energy and waste – efficiently
- A city where community, business and government work together in new and improved ways for the benefit of the community
- A city with vibrant local businesses and main streets
  
- Other word/phrase (please specify).....
- Other word/phrase (please specify).....
- Other word/phrase (please specify).....
- None of these

**Q6. Which of these phrases would you use to describe what concerns you most about the future for Sydney? Select as many or as few as you like. You can add your own words and phrases at the end. These have been suggested by the community at planning for Sydney 2050 consultation events.**

- Impacts of climate change including heatwaves and storms
- Traffic congestion and inadequate public transport
- Too much population growth and development
- Social disconnection and the loss of community
- Loss of places for entertainment, going out and cultural expression
- Surveillance and loss of privacy
- Increasing intolerance and social exclusion
- Lack of transparency in government
- Loss of local character and heritage
- Lack of affordable housing
- Lack of parks, trees, green and recreation spaces
- Lack of adequate digital infrastructure (such as 5G network, fibre access, Wi-Fi)
- Increased risks to security and public safety
- Not being prepared for a major emergency event in Sydney (such as a storm or city-wide transport failure)
  
- Other word/phrase (please specify).....
- Other word/phrase (please specify).....
- Other word/phrase (please specify).....
- None of these

**Q7. How do you feel about these scenarios that could happen in Sydney in the future?**

	<b>Concerned</b>	<b>Excited</b>	<b>Not sure</b>
There are co-living housing options with shared facilities and services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are opportunities for communal 'backyards' for food production and socialising	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Buildings are covered with plants and incorporate nature into their design	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are 'tiny houses', a quarter the size or less of a regular house in laneways, backyards and other small spaces	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There is urban farming on rooftops	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
More streets are closed to cars and space is allocated to people for walking, riding bikes and playing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Deliveries are done by drones	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Data and artificial intelligence is used to help make decisions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Most people work via virtual offices from home or co-working spaces	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Q8. As the population and economy of Sydney continues to grow, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements in relation to growth in the City of Sydney area?**

	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neither</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly agree</b>
Housing growth should be supported by transport, schools and health services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housing growth should not result in the loss of heritage areas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housing growth should not result in the loss of land for industrial uses and jobs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Employment and commercial spaces should be prioritised over residential in important economic precincts including the city centre	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There should be places for entertainment, cultural and creative activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There should be quality open space to meet the needs of a growing population	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Communities should have access to local main streets and centres with services and strong local economies	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>



**Q9. How important is it for the City of Sydney to take the following actions to better support a city where everyone can prosper?**

	Not at all important	Not very important	Somewhat important	Important	Very important
Provide services for disadvantaged groups	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Support more affordable housing in the local area	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Support local economic growth and jobs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Support greater access to local health services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide a city where people can walk, ride or catch public transport to things they need	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide more quality parks and public spaces	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide more community facilities e.g. libraries, community centres, sporting facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Support greater access to technology and digital networks	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Support greater access to education in our local area	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Address discrimination and social exclusion	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Q10. Thinking about the types of things listed in the previous question, to what extent do you agree or disagree that the City of Sydney local area is a place where everyone can prosper?**

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Neither
- Agree
- Strongly agree

**Q11. Think about culture and creativity in Sydney today. To what extent do you agree or disagree with these statements about the City of Sydney area?**

	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neither</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly agree</b>
I feel like I am part of the City of Sydney area's cultural life	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I think my culture is respected and supported in the City of Sydney area	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are enough opportunities to participate in arts and cultural activities in the City of Sydney area	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Q12. Think about Sydney's cultural life in the future. Which of these features are important to you? Select as many or as few as you like. You can add extra activities at the end.**

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|---|--|
| <input type="radio"/> Performances by national and international acts | <input type="radio"/> Cinemas  |
| <input type="radio"/> Local performances                              | <input type="radio"/> Libraries  |
| <input type="radio"/> International festivals                         | <input type="radio"/> Museums  |
| <input type="radio"/> Local festivals                                 | <input type="radio"/> Community radio and podcasting                                       |
| <input type="radio"/> Outdoor events                                  | <input type="radio"/> Places to practice and rehearse music, dance, plays and performances |
| <input type="radio"/> Places to make art or crafts                    | <input type="radio"/> Places to learn music, dance, acting, art                            |
| <input type="radio"/> Making video and films                          | <input type="radio"/> Places for art exhibitions   |
| <input type="radio"/> Local markets                                   | <input type="radio"/> Public art and installations   |
| <input type="radio"/> Live gaming events                              | <input type="radio"/> Wellbeing activities such as tai chi and yoga                        |
| <input type="radio"/> Virtual reality experiences                     | <input type="radio"/> Places and events to be with people who share my culture             |
| <input type="radio"/> Places to buy or sell arts and crafts           | <input type="radio"/> Church or other spiritual gathering places                           |
| <input type="radio"/> Sporting activities and gatherings              |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Other activity (please specify).....            |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Other activity (please specify).....            |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Other activity (please specify).....            |  |
| <input type="radio"/> None of these                                   |  |

**Q13. Would you like to see more, the same, or less of these features in local streets in the City of Sydney area? Please select one answer for each item.**

	<b>More</b>	<b>Same</b>	<b>Less</b>
Street trees	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Trees in the yards of homes and apartments	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Native plantings	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Habitat for wildlife	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Space for walking	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Space for cycling	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Space for cars	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Space for parking	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Public transport	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Space for children to play	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Public places for people to hold small events	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Street gardens and flower boxes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Places for community gardening	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Q14. To what extent do you agree or disagree that the City of Sydney should continue investment and advocacy to address climate change?**

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Neither
- Agree
- Strongly agree

**Q15. From the following list, what would you be willing to start doing or do more of in the next few years to help address climate change? Select as many or as few as you like. You can add extra words and phrases at the end.**

- Drive cars less or not at all
- Eat less meat
- Use sensors (worn or located at your home or business) to collect local data on air quality or heat
- Install solar panels
- Purchase renewable energy (green power)
- Install energy efficiency measures in your home or business
- Plant trees on your property
- Install a green roof or wall
- Purchase carbon offsets
- Get an energy rating for your home or office
- Reuse products rather than having them go to landfill
- Recycle products rather than having them go to landfill
- Flush toilets or wash clothes with recycled water
- Choose to buy local
- Stop using single-use plastic
  
- Other word/phrase (please specify).....
- Other word/phrase (please specify).....
- Other word/phrase (please specify).....
- None of these

**Q16. How important, if at all, is it that the City of Sydney supports the use of technology to achieve the following outcomes in Sydney?**

	Not at all important	Not very important	Somewhat important	Important	Very important
Improve the quality of life of people who use the city. Examples could include using sensors to provide the community with information about local conditions such as air quality, heat, noise or parking	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improve efficiency of services such as using sensors that let the City know when a bin needs to be emptied, or a light needs to be fixed or a pipe is broken	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Support growth in the economy such as supporting local tech startups to develop innovative new businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Streamline customer service and communications	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Make our city more environmentally sustainable such as using sensors to better manage water use or analytics to determine carbon emissions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Q17. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?**

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly agree
I feel consulted on decisions made about the local area by the City of Sydney Council	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel consulted on decisions made about the local area by the NSW State Government	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Q18. In the future, how important, if at all, is it that...**

	Not at all important	Not very important	Somewhat important	Important	Very important
Different levels of government (federal, state and local councils) work together for effective outcomes for Sydney	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Local councils work together for Sydney-wide solutions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Local solutions are created by local people with government	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The City of Sydney collaborates with the education sector and business to find solutions to address community needs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The community has the opportunity to participate in council budgeting	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Governments share their information to empower citizens in their everyday lives	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are more opportunities for people to participate in decisions made by governments including local councils	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Q19. What have we missed? What other thoughts or comments would you like to make about the future of Sydney? Leave blank if you have nothing more to add.**

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**Q20. What is your age?**

- |                                      |                             |   |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Under 20 years | <input type="radio"/> 40-49 | <input type="radio"/> 70-79             |
| <input type="radio"/> 20-29          | <input type="radio"/> 50-59 | <input type="radio"/> 80 years and over |
| <input type="radio"/> 30-39          | <input type="radio"/> 60-69 |   |

**Q21. What is your identified gender?**

- |                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| <input type="radio"/> Male        | <input type="radio"/> Non-binary/third gender      |
| <input type="radio"/> Female      | <input type="radio"/> Prefer not to say            |
| <input type="radio"/> Transgender | <input type="radio"/> Prefer to self describe..... |

**Q22a. Do you speak a language other than English at home?**

- Yes
- No **(Skip to Q23)**

**Q22b. Which languages do you speak at home?**

- |   |                                  |                               |                                  |                               |
|---|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> Mandarin                    | <input type="radio"/> Cantonese  | <input type="radio"/> Spanish | <input type="radio"/> French     | <input type="radio"/> Italian |
| <input type="radio"/> Thai                        | <input type="radio"/> Indonesian | <input type="radio"/> Korean  | <input type="radio"/> Vietnamese | <input type="radio"/> Greek   |
| <input type="radio"/> Other (please specify)..... |                                  |                               |                                  |                               |

**Q23. Do you identify yourself as living with a disability?**

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

**Q24. Do you identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?**

- Yes, I am Aboriginal
- Yes, I am Torres Strait Islander
- Yes, I am both
- No
- Prefer not to say

**Q25a. Which of the following best describes your current place of residence?**

- Separate house
- Semi-detached, terrace house, townhouse
- Unit/apartment in a 1-3 storey block
- Unit/apartment in a 4+ storey block
- Prefer not to say
- Other

**Q25b. In relation to your current place of residence, which of the following apply to you?**

- Renting
- Paying it off / mortgaged **(Skip to Q26a)**
- Outright owner **(Skip to Q26a)**
- Living rent-free with family or friends **(Skip to Q26a)**
- Other **(Skip to Q26a)**

**Q25c. Select your type of rental:**

- Private rental – landlord or real estate
- Public or community housing
- Boarding house
- Student accommodation

**Q26a. We would love it if you joined our City of Sydney community panel. Joining our panel will ensure you receive updates from us about the development of the plan and you will be invited to participate in other surveys and consultation events. Would you like to join the panel?**

- Yes
- No **(Skip to end)**

**Q26b. To join the panel, please provide the following information:**

First name: .....

Surname: .....

Phone number: .....

Email address: .....