

WENTWORTH POINT PLACE PLAN

Webinar FAQ

Question

Answer

When will t he assets that Council owns, such as Hill Road and Haslam's Creek Bridge on Bennelong Par kway, be improved to meet the needs of Wentworth Point residents? Those are the assets Council has control over, and yet nothing has happened for many years. There are currently a number of improvements underway for Hill Road, including localised drainage upgrades at Park street, and footpath improvements. In the coming months, Council has committed to constructing a number of pedestrian refuge islands along Hill Ro ad to enhance pedestrian safety, starting with the intersection at Verona Drive.

In terms of the larger Masterplan, Council does not currently have funding to deliver these works, which are estimated to be approximately \$30M. Council will continue to seek funding opportunities wherever possible to assist in the delivery of the Masterplan.

It should be noted that Hill Road is proposed to form part of the Parramatta Light Rail Stage 2 corridor . As such, it is pertinent that Council receives confirmation of the light rail alignment prior to undertaking any signif icant improvements to ensure the works will integrate.

For Haslam's Creek Bridge at Bennelong Parkway, detailed design will be completed this financial year with construction currentl y anticipated in the 2023/24 (subject to funding and grant opportunities).

The Place Plan will seek to identify project priori ties for the Wentworth Point community and provide a basis for Council and the community to work together in advocating for fundi ng for community priorities.

What is the timeline of the Hill Road improvement work, including the roundabout and traffic light s?

Council's Traffic and Transport team submitted a report to Council on 14 March 2022 (Item 12.4) 'Proposed Traffic Improvement s on Hill Road, Wentworth Point'.

Council staff are investigating internal and external funding options so that the traffic



	signals can be constructed in the 2022/23 financial year - subject to funding. An application for Federal Government funding under its Stimulus Program was lodged in late 2021. Localised drainage works (51-53 Hill Road, near Parkes Street North) to manage ponding of water. Short term interventions in the form of
	pedestrian upgrades along Hill Road have funding of approximately \$200K. Quotes will be sought, and access improved at various Hill Road intersections, staring with Verona Drive.
Will this presentation be available for viewing after the session?	Yes. The presentation and webinar recording will be made available on the <u>Participate Parramatta</u> website.
Are you going to plan based on the 2016 survey and assumptions, or will you perform another updated survey?	Council is aware of a growing desire within the community of Wentworth Point to have an opportunity to participate in establishing a clear vision and strategy aligned to deliverable outcomes in Wentworth Point. In order to capture all the Wentworth Point's community's issues and concerns in a comprehensive way, Council is currently conducting extensive and comprehensive engagement in Wentworth Point. This engagement approach is consistent with Council's Community Engagement Strategy and will be used to develop a detailed Wentworth Point Plan. More details <u>here</u> .
Who will be driving the items identified in the "action plan"?	Proposed actions for the action plan will come from a variety of places, including the online community consultation that is currently being undertaken, as well as the various Council/State/Regional plan recommendations. Suggested actions can also be made through the People's Panel. The draft Place Plan, including the draft action plan, will go out on public exhibition for the community's feedback. In terms of delivering the 'action items', some items will fall with Council to deliver, and some will fall with the community (some both). It really is a joint effort.
	Due to the community title scheme evident in Wentworth Point, it's important to recognise that most spaces/areas which would traditionally be



	seen as 'public domain' or 'public space' (other than Hill Road, Bennelong Parkway, and the Wentworth Point Library and Community Centre) are, in fact, under the management and ownership of the various Wentworth Point Community Associations. The role of these spaces/areas from a suburb-wide perspective is for the community of Wentworth Point to determine. The Place Plan aims to provide the entire Wentworth Point community the opportunity to determine this together.
	Community and stakeholder engagement to develop the Place Plan includes a series of activities (including this online Community Webinar, a number of People's Panel workshops which will include a translator for CALD community members, translated materials, postcard to each dwelling in Wentworth Point and online survey/engagement activities.
	These activities are open to all residents in Wentworth Point to ensure Council is able to reach and capture the feedback of as many Wentworth Point community members as possible.
Is Council aware of the water pooling at the bottom of Footbridge Boulevard and Hill Road? Are any remediation works being planned?	We will investigate this matter further. The localised drainage improvements currently scheduled are around Park Road North.
The sea wall at the end of Burroway Street needs to be repaired. As far as I know, the repair of sea walls falls to the owner of the road the sea wall is located on. In the case of Burroway Road, the owner of the sea wall is Parramatta Council. Does Council have plans to repair the sea wall? The section of sea wall next to Burroway Road will be repaired by the developer owns the land.	Council has repaired sections of sea walls in the past, but we need to confirm ownership of the section of concern. We will take this request on notice for further investigation.
Will full community consultation be conducted for the planned traffic lights at Hill Road/Bennelong Parkway and the planned Haslam's Creek pedestrian bridge?	The traffic lights at Hill Road and Bennelong parkway intersection went out to public consultation as part of the Hill Road masterplan. You can also read the report and view the proposed design <u>here</u> , starting at page 134. Councillors received this report in the 14 March 2022 Council meeting at St Patrick's Cathedral. Minutes from the Council meeting are available



There is no road signage off the M4 and Parramatta Road indicating that the residential area of Wentworth Point is ahead. Likewise, the ferry stop in our area is called Sydney Olympic Park. There is no signage at the ferry wharf indicating that the suburb is Wentworth Point. In my opinion, this signage is long overdue as it is 13 years after the suburb was formalised. When can we expect this?

other animals living in that area.

In addition to the current harmonisation LEP

project, will Council aim to include the whole of Wentworth Point into the Parramatta LEP? In particular, add zones and heights to the areas

On 24 May 2021, City of Parramatta Council resolved to write to Transport for NSW (TfNSW) to seek TfNSW's endorsement (as the asset owner) to commence public consultation regarding a renaming process for changing the name of Sydney Olympic Park' ferry terminal to Wentworth Point' ferry terminal. Renaming the ferry wharf to Wentworth Point'would provide a level of naming consistency, provide an integrated identity for the suburb of Wentworth Point, which relies heavily on foreshore access, reduce way-finding confusion, and reflect the true nature of this area 21 years on from the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games.

The Geographical Names Board (GNB) has advised Council that the name, in full, is Sydney Olympic Park Ferry Terminal', though the on-site signage refers to 'Sydney Olympic Park'. The GNB also confirmed that TfNSW are the owners of the asset and the authority required to approve any name change of the Sydney Olympic Park' ferry wharf. Sydney Olympic Park Ferry Terminal is now in much closer proximity to Wentworth Point, as a high-density residential suburb, than to Sydney Olympic Park as a destination. Council understands that TfNSW are considering Council's request. The Place Plan provides an opportunity for Council and the Wentworth Point to work together for these types of outcomes.

How does the Peninsula Park's lighting affect the Landcom, on behalf of RMS, is responsible for ecosystem? There are some native birds and the delivery of the Wentworth Point Peninsular Park and is expected to commence the design phase of the project shortly.

> We will take this question on notice and refer it to Council's Land Use Planning Team.

that are currently identified as 'Deferred Matter' and subject to the dated Auburn Development Control Plan? The community has been told about the Landcom remains the delivery organisation Peninsula Park for the last 10 years. What makes responsible for the Wentworth Point Peninsular the 2022/2023 timeline different? Is it prone to Park. City of Parramatta will continue to advocate for regular updates to be shared with slipping further?



	the community, however, cannot comment on the timeframe identified for delivery.
Almost every night there are police cars tracing someone in Wentworth Point, with several police vehicles in the area each morning. Are there any plans for a local police station in Wentworth Point, due to the police activity and number of residents?	Police Stations are a matter for the NSW Police force as the relevant state government agency, and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services as the relevant state government Minister. If this is something prioritised by the Wentworth Point community in the Place Plan, it is something Council and the community could work together on as an advocacy piece. In the immediate short-term, your NSW State government member is the appropriate person to make representations.
Is there any news on the road signage to indicate Wentworth Point's location from the M4 and Parramatta Road?	The M4 and Parramatta Road, including signage, are under the control of the NSW State Government. If this is something prioritised by the Wentworth Point community in the Place Plan, it is something Council and the community could work together on an advocacy piece. In the immediate short-term, your NSW State government member is the appropriate person to make representations.
Is Peninsula Park financially feasible, without sacrificing green open space for further apartment developments? This is the last piece of open space in the suburb.	Yes. The delivery of Peninsula Park is funded independently of the any future sales or developments, and the Park will not be subject to reduction.
Where can I find the 2014 Peninsula Park masterplan?	The original masterplan is available <u>here</u> . We will keep the community updated on the changes required to this plan during our consultation process.
Can we name the high school Wentworth Point High School, instead of Sydney Olympic Park High School? It will be very confusing in the future.	Community feedback is important to SINSW. SINSW encourage the community to send any suggestions they have via email to <u>schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au</u> or call 1300 482 651.
Why does Council collect rates equal to that of elsewhere in the LGA? Most of the services provided to the Wentworth Point community are provided and paid for by our Community Associations, which in turn are funded by our Strata levies. The suburb is unique, so the rules that apply elsewhere should not be the same	Council collects rates for a variety of Council services including running and maintaining libraries and community centres. Wentworth Point receives a high level of services in terms of the programming and maintenance of the WPCC&L.



here. It seems like a lot of taxes just to fund Bennelong Parkway, Hill Road and Burroway Road. Some of the biggest issues in our suburb relate to these three council-managed assets.

Why don't you use a fast-draining concrete for pedestrian roads and incorporate drainage underneath? It helps a lot during flooding. Council's engineers have investigated various products for our pedestrian pavements and roads. For the purpose of this question, 'pedestrian road' is taken to mean footpath and 'fast draining concrete' is taken to mean a product similar to 'no-fines' concrete. No fines concrete is essentially porous concrete made without the use of fine aggregate so it drains quicker.

Unfortunately, no-fines concrete is not good for pedestrian surfaces as it is coarse and there would be a lot of lose aggregate on the surface. It has been proposed that overall the porous pavement would not help with flooding, as footpath areas are too small to have any significant impact on flooding.

In most instances, the use of this product would not be feasible if the area was flat (and Hill Road is very flat) if the stormwater drainage system was not available within close proximity.