# Local Infrastructure Contributions

Infrastructure Funding & Delivery Workshop 1 Chris Sleiman & Katie Miles, Inner West Council 30 May 2023



#### Inner West Council

- Approx 1,000 new dwellings per year
- 32,000 new residents and 14,000 new workers to 2036
- Our GDP is estimated at \$12.14 billion (1.83% of NSW's GDP)
- We are home to 183,000 residents in around 75,000 homes
- We have around 74,000 jobs and 20,000 businesses.
- We've welcomed over 1.2million visitor to our Aquatic facilities



#### Contributions! Where have you gone?



Petersham Town Hall Upgrades



Balmain Town Hall Upgrade



Dawn Fraser Pool



Petersham Park Grandstand Upgrade



Marrickville Library



Bike Route LR03 Livingstone Road



Sydenham Green



Shared Path Hawthorne Canal



Alex Trevallion Plaza

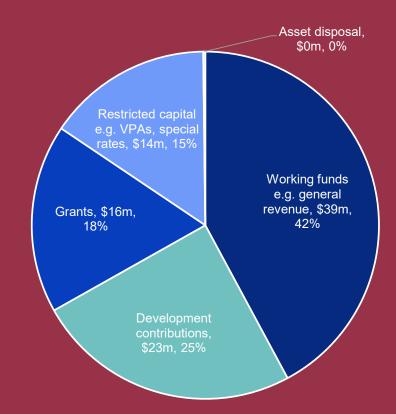


Ashfield Aquatic Centre

# **Financial Context**

Inner West Council - Contribution Plans (revenue received)							
Financial Year	S7.11 Revenue	S7.12 Revenue	Total Revenue received				
21/22	\$6.6million	\$2.4million	\$9million				
20/21	\$6.7million	\$1.5million	\$8.3million				
19/20	\$14.1million	\$0.7million	\$14.8million				
18/19	\$10.1million	\$1.3million	\$11.5million				
17/18	\$9.8million	\$1million	\$10.8million				
16/17	\$16.4million	\$1.3million	\$17.8million				

#### Capital works Expenditure 21/22



#### **Presentation Outline**

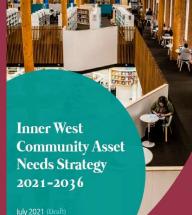
- Overview:
  - Infrastructure needs studies:
    - Recreation
    - Community Assets
    - Transport & Traffic
  - Drafting the contribution plan
  - Gap Funding Plan
  - Engagement Strategy
  - Calculator
- Next steps
- Key takeaways/lessons

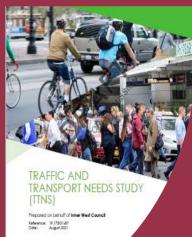


#### CP Program

No.	Actions	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
1	Procurement - RFQs	•					
2	Infrastructure needs studies		•	•			
3	Draft works schedule			•	•		
4	Contributions income / options testing				•		
5	Gap funding plan				•		
6	Staff consultation		•	•	•		
7	Executive briefing			•	•		
8	Council briefing				•		
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11	Staff training					•	
12	CP commencement – 20 February					•	
13	Policies, Procedures, Governance Review					• •	WE ARE HERE
14	Technology Solutions for Contributions Management					•	•

# 4 years in the making....





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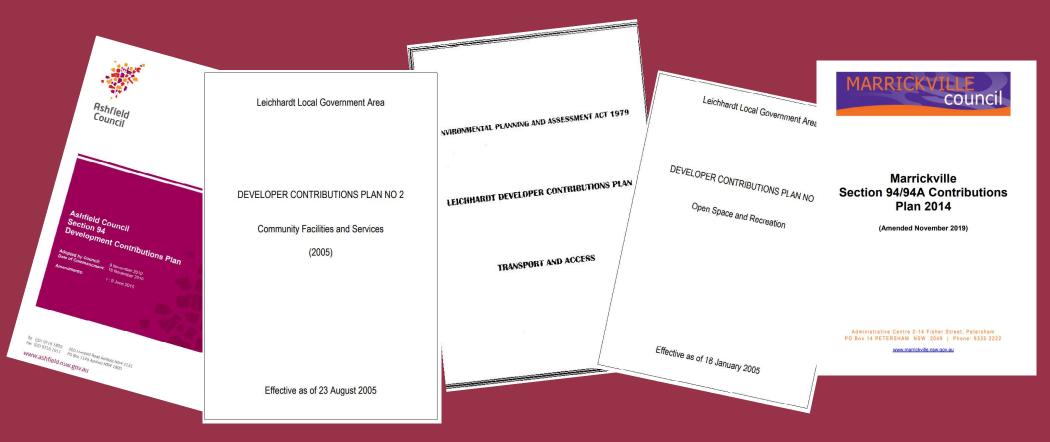


# **Drivers for Review:**

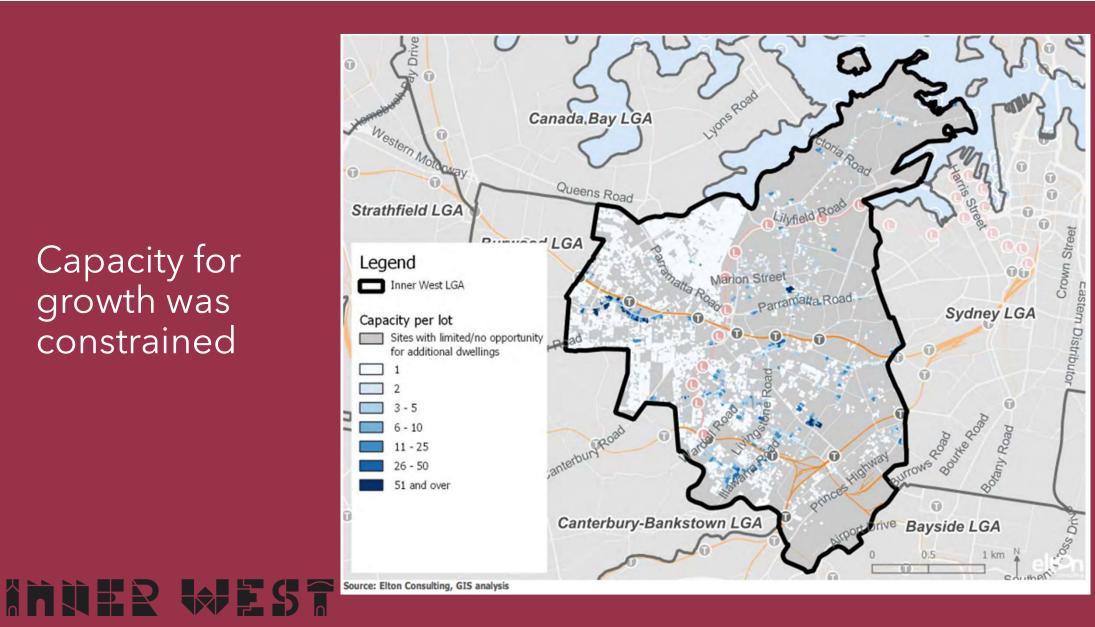
- Implementation of the Inner West Local Strategic Planning Statement (2020) and supporting studies
- Existing CPs were outdated
- Inner West Council Delivery Program 2018-22 commits to preparing a new s7.11 and s7.12 contributions plan
- Councils required to periodically review their contributions plans e.g. every 5 years



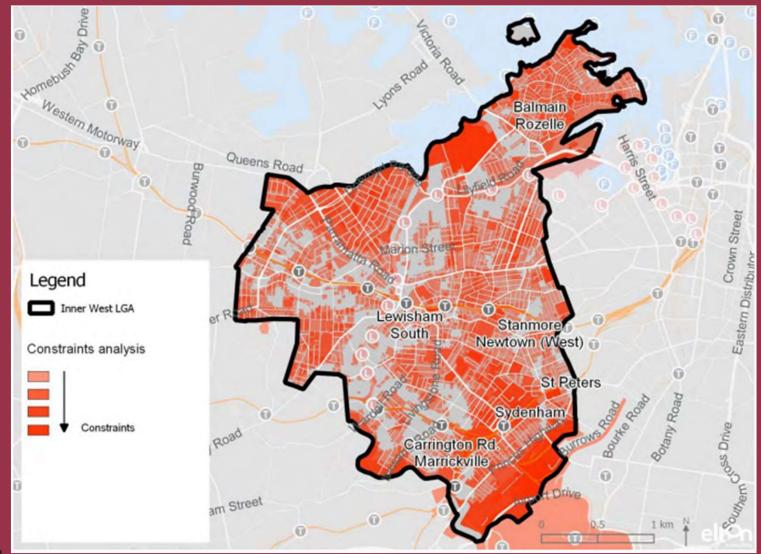
#### What we had....



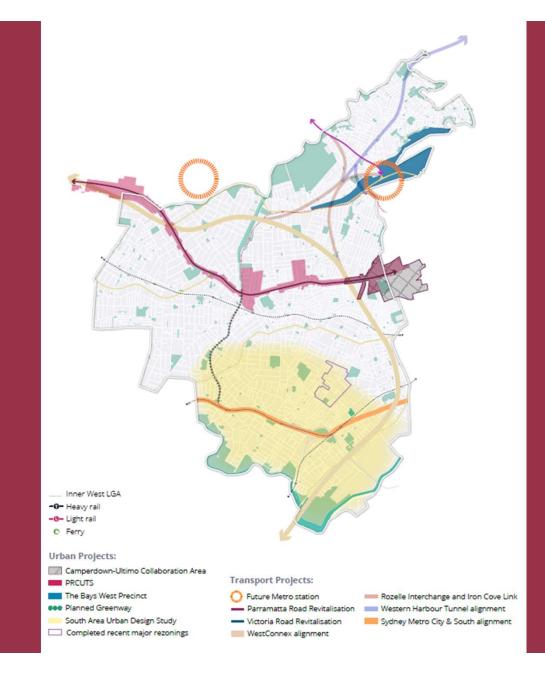
#### Capacity for growth was constrained

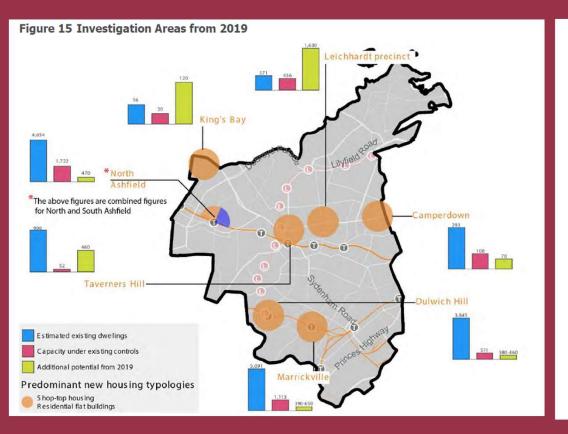


#### Constraints Mapping

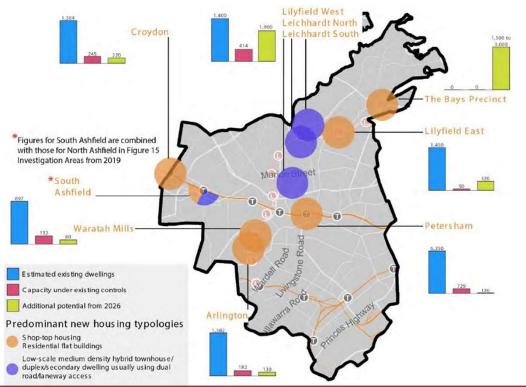


#### Where will the bulk of the growth occur?



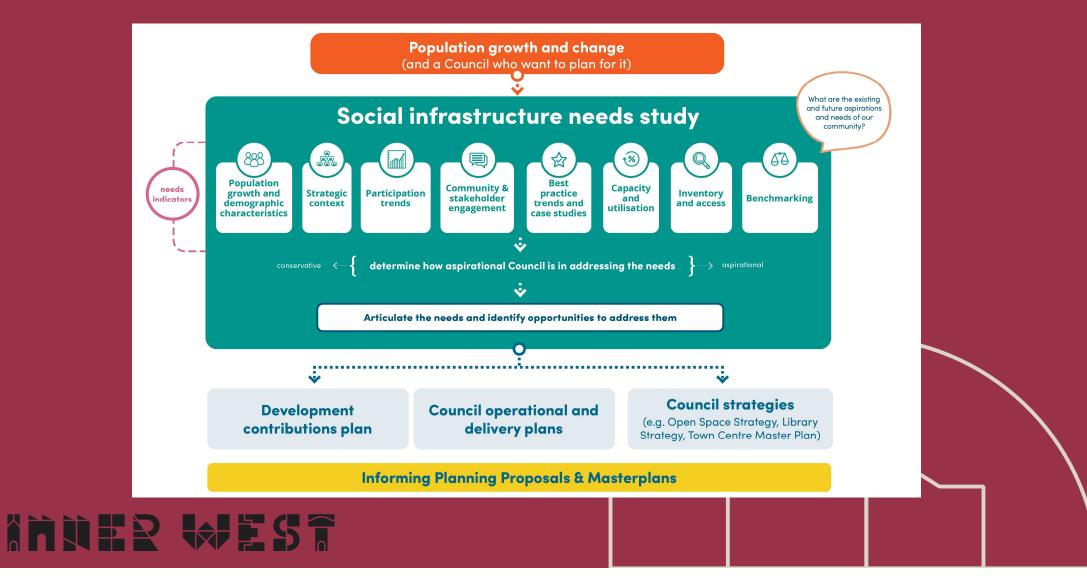


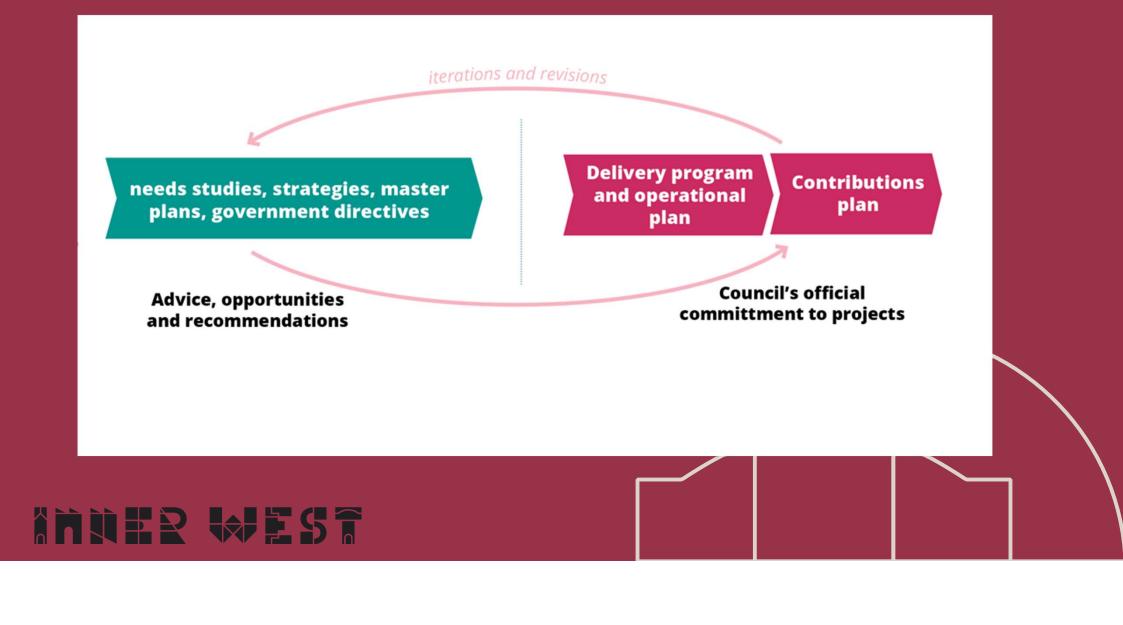




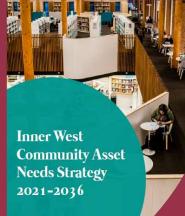
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## Needs Studies



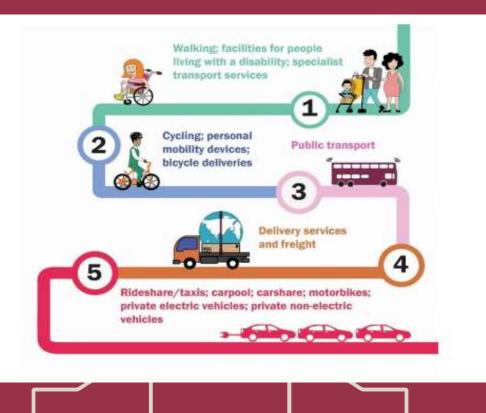
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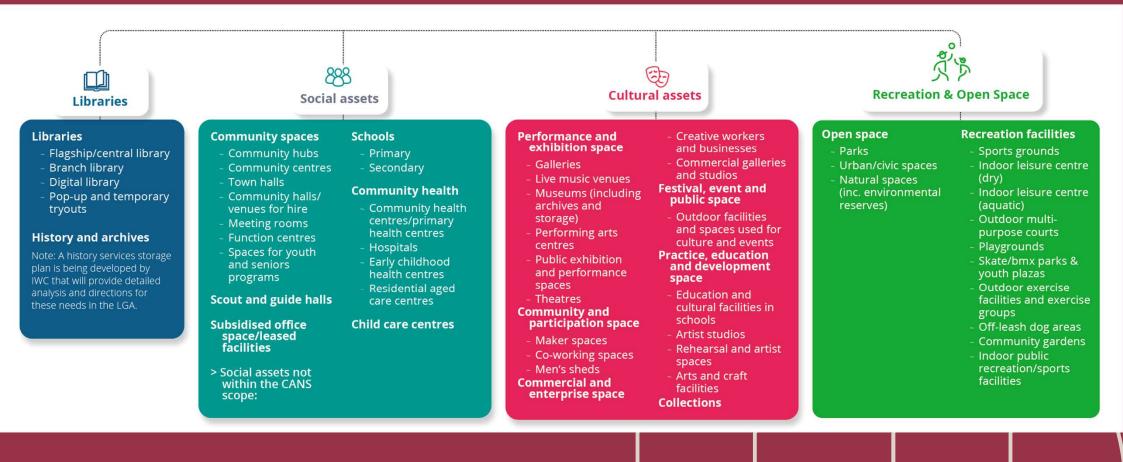
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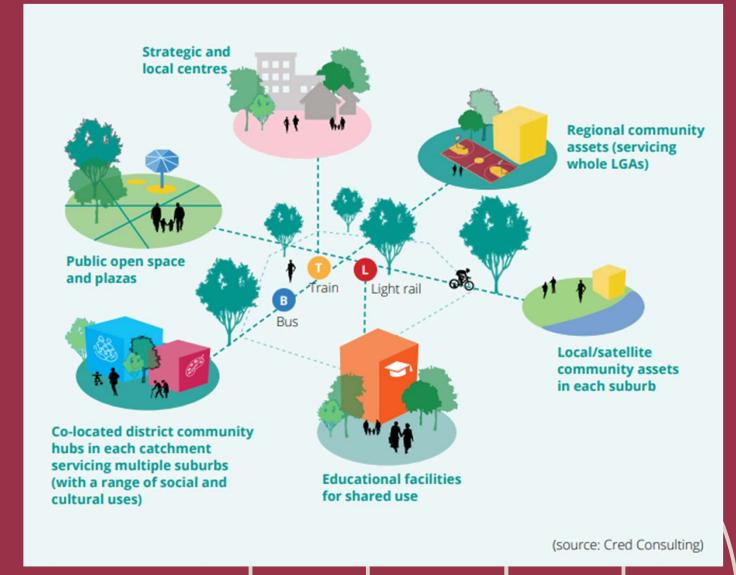




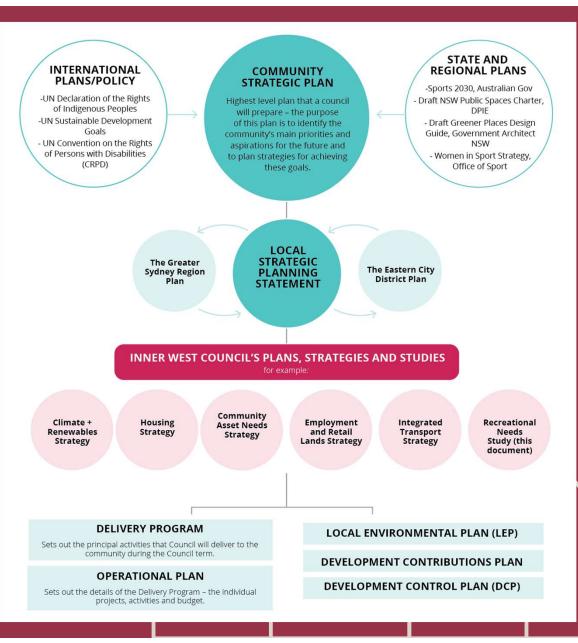
### What is social Infrastructure



#### A networked approach to social Infrastructure

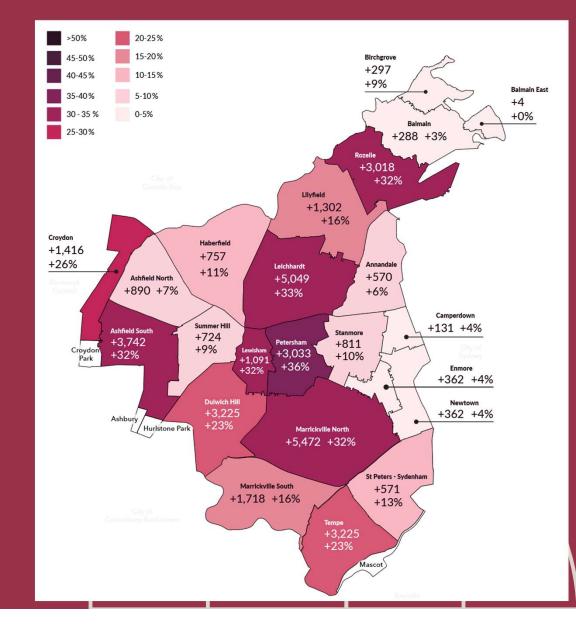


# Strategic Context



#### **Population Projections**

- Assumes a steady rate of growth
- In accordance with LSPS & LHS
- Includes investigation areas
- Emphasis is placed on plan monitoring!
- We need to shift assumptions if the context changes.

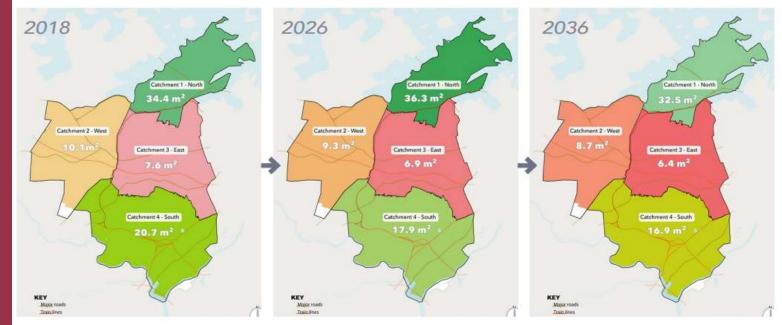


#### **Planning Catchments**

- Understand the distribution of existing local, district and regional social infrastructure
- Overlay with future pop growth assumptions
- It's a tool that helps to pin-point infrastructure gaps current and future.



		Catchment 1 (m <sup>2</sup> per person)	Catchment 2 (m² per person)	Catchment 3 (m² per person)	Catchment 4 (m² per person)	LGA (m² per person)
	2016	34.4	10.1	7.6	20.7	16.4
Open space (m²)	2026	36.3	9.3	6.9	17.9	15.4
	2036	32.5	8.7	6.4	16.9	14.3



E.g. Open Space

Figure 28 - Current provision per person 2018

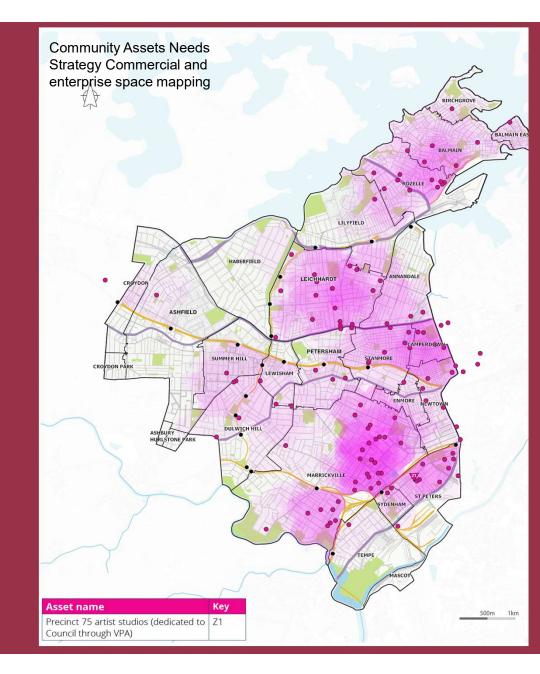
Table 17 - Open space provision rates by Planning Catchment

Figure 29 - Forecast provision per person 2026

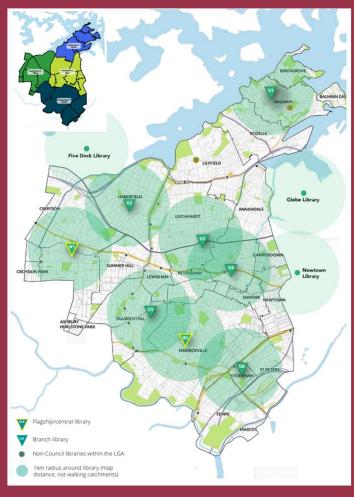
Figure 30 - Forecast provision per person 2036

#### Audit and Mapping

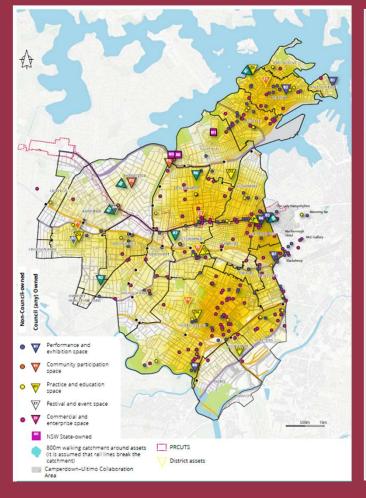
- Audits and maps provide baseline understanding of provision.
- Tip: Include infrastructure in neighbouring LGAs
- Is based on hierarchy
- Include non-Council assets
- Where do the gaps exist and is the new population expected to be accommodated there?



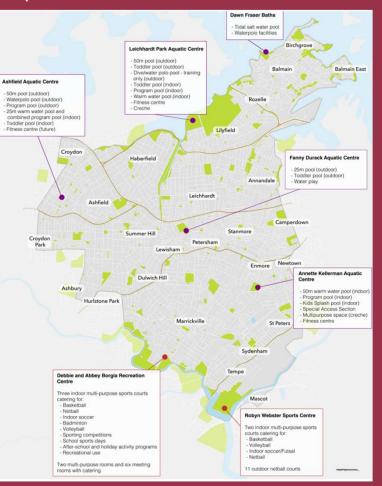
#### Libraries



#### Community & Cultural Assets

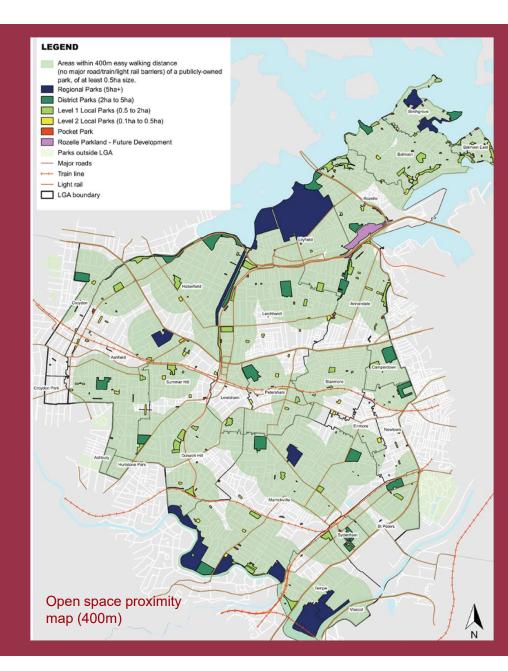


#### Aquatic Facilities & Indoor Rec Centres



#### What are benchmarks?

- Benchmarks are industry standards.
- They can be:
  - Population-based number of assets and floor space
  - Site based
  - Proximity based
  - Comparative
- Often derived from a professional body or industry source
- Derived from the experience and application of other similar council areas



#### Example of benchmarking:

What Recreational Facilities do we need to 2036?



		C1	C2	C3	C4	LGA
Open space	2016	34.4	10.1	7.6	20.7	16.4
	2026	36.3	9.3	6.9	17.9	15.4
	2036	32.5	8.7	6.4	16.9	14.3
Summer sporting fields	2016	6.7	-1.1	-5.7	0.0	-0.2
sporting news	2026	6.5	-1.7	-6.6	-1.2	-3.0
	2036	5.9	-2.3	-7.5	-1.8	-5.7
Winter sporting fields	2016	6.3	-4.3	-8.1	5.4	-0.6
Tielas	2026	6.1	-5.1	-9.3	3.7	-4.7
	2036	5.1	-6.0	-10.6	2.9	-8.5
Indoor MPCs	2016	-1.7	-2.3	-3.2	2.4	-4.8
	2026	-1.8	-2.5	-3.5	2.0	-5.7
	2036	-2.0	-2.7	-3.7	1.8	-6.6
Outdoor MPCs	2016	-3.9	1.5	-14.3	15.2	-1.5
	2026	-4.3	0.0	-16.6	12.0	-8.9
	2036	-5.9	-1.5	-18.9	10.6	-15.8
Indoor leisure centre (dry)	2016	-0.5	-0.6	-0.8	1.3	0.6
centre (ury)	2026	-0.5	-0.7	-0.9	1.2	-0.9
	2036	-0.5	-0.7	-1.0	1.2	-1.1
Indoor leisure	2016	1.1	-0.2	-0.6	-0.4	-0.1
centre (aquatic)	2026	1.1	-0.3	-0.8	-0.6	-0.6
	2036	1.0	-0.4	-0.9	-0.6	-1.0
Skate facility /	2016	0.3	0.0	-1.3	0.9	-0.1
park	2026	0.3	0.0	-1.4	0.8	-0.5
	2036	0.2	-0.1	-1.6	0.7	-0.8
Playgrounds	2016	9.6	3.9	11.4	3.0	27.9
	2026	9.2	1.9	8.5	-1.0	18.6
	2036	7.1	0.1	5.6	-2.7	10.0

Table 35 - Summary of benchmarked demand vs current / planned provision of recreation facilities

#### **Needs Studies Project Plan**

No.	Actions	2019	2020	2021	2022
1	Procurement & Consultants RFQs	•			
2	Project Inception & Planning (Workshop 1)		•		
3	GIS and Data collection		•		
4	Review and benchmarking		•		
5	Draft Report – key findings		•		
6	Workshop 2 – pinch-points and possible solutions		•		
7	Draft recommendations (work schedule)			•	
8	Sub-consultants to estimate costs			•	
9	Steering Committee Workshops (x2) – Gap Funding Plan/items for Draft CP			•	•
10	Councillor Briefing				
11	Draft CP + Needs Studies public exhibition				
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13	Councillor Briefing				•
14	Draft CP + Needs Studies Council Adoption				

# How do you deliver on the identified needs?

# The CP Drafting Phase

#### **Steering Group or Workshops - Executive Management Team**

Key Questions	Key Points
Financial impact of needs study priorities?	Contributions won't fund all needs study works
Can Council 'afford' this, or what is the gap?	A gap funding plan is needed
What gap is 'tolerable'?	Contributions works list can be reduced so gap is 'tolerable'
What are the lifecycle costs of the infrastructure once it is delivered?	Gap funding plan to outline lifecycle costs of proposed new infrastructure once it is provided to inform future financial & property asset recycling decisions
What is the process?	Next slide
Where are we up to?	Consider maintaining an internal 'long list' – including works that can be funded as opportunities arise e.g. grants

#### Infrastructure funding process

- Needs studies
- Initial 'long' works list
- Estimate costs
- Apportion costs to development
- Calculate contribution rates
- Quantify un-apportioned costs ('gap')
- Prepare gap funding plan
- Does your CP works list need to change to reflect a 'tolerable' gap ?
- If so, maintain internal long list
- Consider a future infrastructure advocacy program



#### Drafting of the CP Key Points – 1 Precinct





#### Drafting of the CP Key Points – The type of plan?

#### S7.12 'fixed rate' contributions

- 1% of development costs under the Regs, but Minister can approve higher (3%)
- No applicant appeals
- No need to demonstrate nexus
- Simplified administrative processes for calculating levies

#### \$7.11 'nexus based' contributions

- Typically up to \$20k per new dwelling in infill areas
- \$20k threshold for IPART review (essential works list)
- Applicant appeals

Hybrid approach - why not both?



#### Drafting of the CP Key Points – 2 Income Testing Scenarios (2022-2036)

#### Scenarios:

- Option 1 Hybrid 7.11 + 7.12 @1%
- Option 2 s7.11 + 7.12 @3% (reforms)
- Option 3 s7.11 only
- Option 4 7.12@1% only
- Option 5 s7.12 @3% (reforms) only

Key Criteria:

- Size of the funding gap
- Nexus and apportionment strategy – maximising to reduce unapportioned costs whilst maintaining appropriate nexus
- Ease of administration
- Reforms

					S7.12 rates – Existing Plans vs New Plan					
Drafting of the CP					Development cost	Existing pla	ns New Plan			
					<\$100k	Nil	Nil			
Key Points – 3 Contribution Rates						0.5%	Nil			
- /							1%			
Applicati	Application of s7.12 & s7.12									
			New CP							
Dev't	Land use	Ashfield	Leichhardt	Marrickvil	e Me	thod	In practice			
	Residential	s7.11	s7.11	s7.11			s7.11			
Nam	Tourist/visitor acc.	s7.11	s7.12	s7.12			s7.11			
New	Employment	s7.11	s7.11	s7.11	.7.1	l if net	s7.11			
	Industrial	s7.12	s7.11	s7.11	рори	ulation	s7.11			
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### Drafting of the CP Key Points – Simplification

- Uniform policy provisions credits, refunds, exemptions
- User-friendly plan structure, language (plain English, avoid jargon, acronyms, formulas, etc), infographics, use high quality maps & images).
- Uniform contribution rates LGA-wide = simplified calculation methodologies
- Averaging contribution rates for multiple new dwellings – average s7.11 dwelling calculation used.

Table 1 Section 7.11 contribution rates, as at October 2021 <sup>1</sup>				
Development type	Rate			
Residential development				
Dwellings (see box below) <sup>2</sup>				
Per 1-bed dwelling, studio, or bedsit	\$17,035			
Per 2-bed dwelling <sup>2</sup>	\$25,052			
Per 3 or more bed dwelling <sup>2</sup>	\$36,074			
Subdivision into single dwelling allotment	\$36,074			
Other residential uses - per resident, per occupancy rates in s2.1	\$10,021			
Non-residential development				
Per worker – refer worker occupancy rates in section 2.1	\$3,187			
Tourist and visitor accommodation				
Per overnight visitor – refer visitor occupancy rates in section 2.1	\$5,299			



### Funding Gaps The importance of contribution plans

- Long term financial plan integration
- Asset management plans- upgrades, new or reuse.
- Masterplans- cost the complete works desired
- Various Strategies cost the options to achieve



### Funding and delivery Common mechanisms

#### **Planning system**

- Contributions
- Works in-kind
- Planning agreements
- Conditions of consent
- DCP controls
- LEP controls e.g. bonus floor so

#### Non-planning system

- Asset recycling
- General revenue
- Grants
- User fees and charges
- Private sector provision
- Borrowing incentives
- Special rate variation\*\*

## Addressing The funding gaps

- Determine funding available from other sources
- If a gap still remains, options include:
  - Extend delivery timeframe (e.g. from 15yrs to 20yrs)
  - Retain a 'tolerable' gap?
- CP works schedule should eventually plan to be fully fundedespecially in the early years (can be reviewed)
- Internal long-list including 'tolerable gap' can be funded as opportunities arise e.g. grants.
- Options Reduce the scope or delete works items from CP (prioritisation)
- Review and monitor regularly (e.g. Reforms)



### Gap Funding Plan Overview

- Numerous meetings 10+ meetings over 3 months, Planning & Finance.
- Refined the works schedule:
  - Developed details assumptions to estimate lifecycle costs
  - Went through 195 works items (each item)
  - Allocate unapportioned costs to different funding sources
  - Took a conservative approach to identifying funding sources



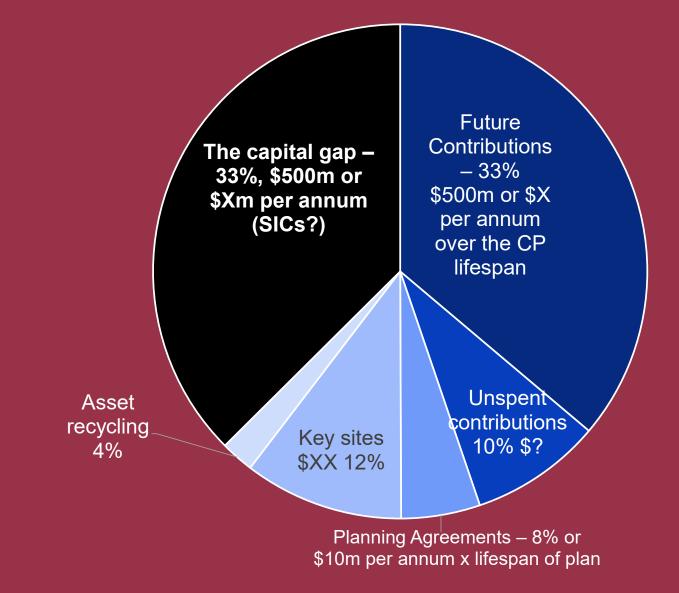
## Gap Funding Plan Lifecycle Costs

- Examine similar assets find like-for-like assets Council maintains or operates, determine the costs associated
- If your Council tracks costs via Mobility or Worx Online, use the data provided to calculate life cycle costs.
- Collaborate Speak to managers that maintain or operate assets to get a feel for costs or sense-check projections.

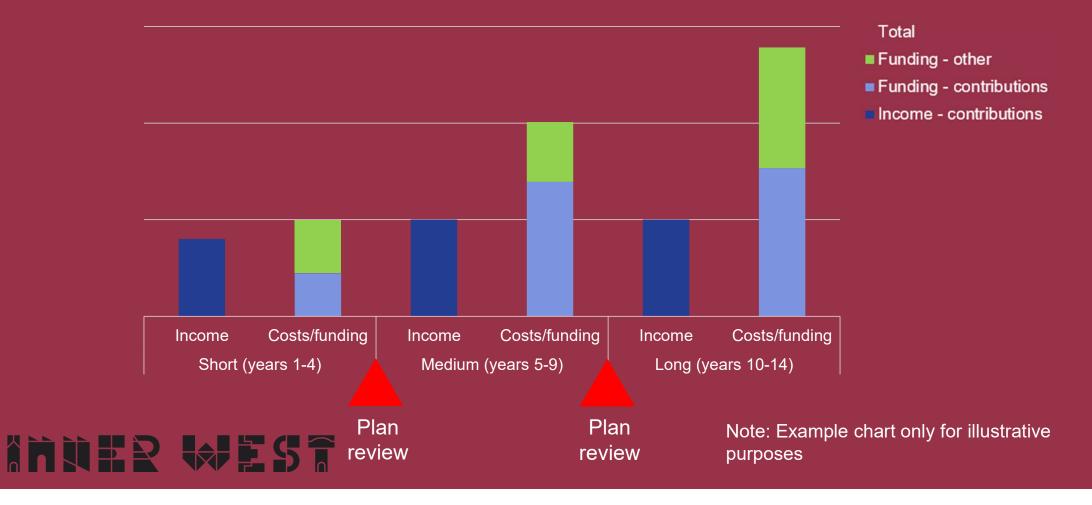
Category	Depreciation – useful life (years)	Maintenance & Operation (% of capital cost)
Building - (multi-purpose facilities etc)	40	2.0%
Eitout - (multi-purpose facilities etc)	10	5.0%
Electronics - (multi-purpose facilities etc)	7	2.0%
Outdoor Space (indoor/outdoor stage)	15	2.0%
Library	40	7.5%
Aquatic facility - building	40	2.0%
Aquatic facility - fitout / plant	10	10.0%
Indoor recreation centre	20	5.0%
Park embellishments	10	2.5%
Playgrounds - district	10	2.5%
Playgrounds - local	15	2.5%
Shared paths	80	2.0%
Cycleways	80	2.0%
Land acquisition	0	1.0%
Synthetic fields	10	5.0%
Multi-purpose fields (sports fields)	20	2.5%

## Example funding scenario \$XXXm to Year

Note: Pie chart, % and \$ are examples only



### Staging Contributions income vs costs over time



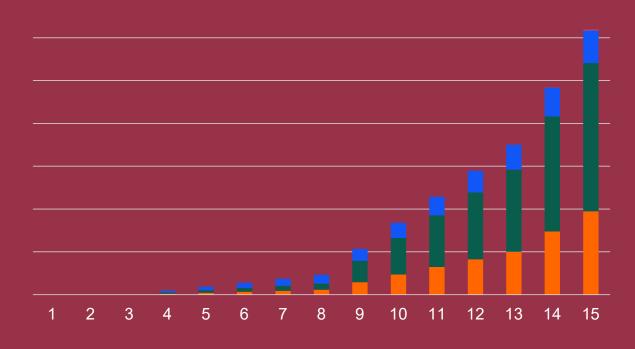
### Staging Priorities - Example Short term priorities and costs, years 1-4



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Note: Example only for illustrative purposes

### Lifecycle Costs Cumulative, lifespan of the plan



Community facilities Open space and recreation Transport

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\*Example only for demonstration purposes

# Engagement Strategy



## Engagement activities: 6 June – 17 July (42 days)



LGA wide notification letters to every resident/rate payer



Notification emails sent to industry stakeholders Public Authorities Planning Industry Experts Political Interests Neighbouring Councils Notification sent to all local democracy groups Online Public Meeting – 15 June 2022 6-7.30pm



: <u>Have your say</u> Interactive Map Surveys

Submissions

#### Webinar

95 Surveys

28 Submissions



#### Drop-in Sessions (40 attendees)

Friday 17 June from 9am – 4pm: Ashfield Service Centre, Activity Room 2, 260 Liverpool Road, Ashfield

Friday 24 June from 9am – 4pm: Leichhardt Reception Room, Ground Floor, Leichhardt Town Hall, corner of Marion and Norton St. Leichhardt

Saturday 9 July from 10am – 4pm: Marrickville Library, Francis Charteris Room - Learning Room 1.1, 313 Marrickville Road, Marrickville



#### Hard Copies:

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Leichhardt Service Centre, 7-15 Wetherill Street, Leichhardt

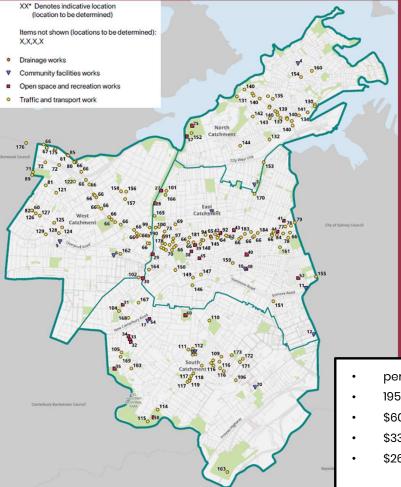
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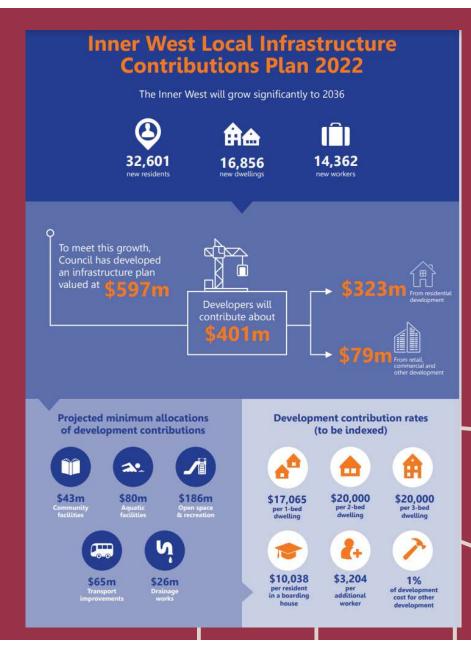
# Final Version of the CP



## IWC Contribution Plan



- per Needs Studies
- 195 works items
- \$601m over 14 years (\$43m/yr)
- \$336m from contributions
- \$265m from other sources



## **Key Updates**

#### Harmonised

• Various plans into a single plan

#### Type of Plan

 Hybrid, both s7.11 and 7.12 as determined by development type

#### Growth to 2036

Updates population and worker assumptions to align with LSPS

#### Works Program

• Updated to reflect needs and costs

#### **Contribution Rates**

• No major changes, at 20k/dwelling threshold

#### Income

• No major changes, as similar rates to previous plans

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Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan

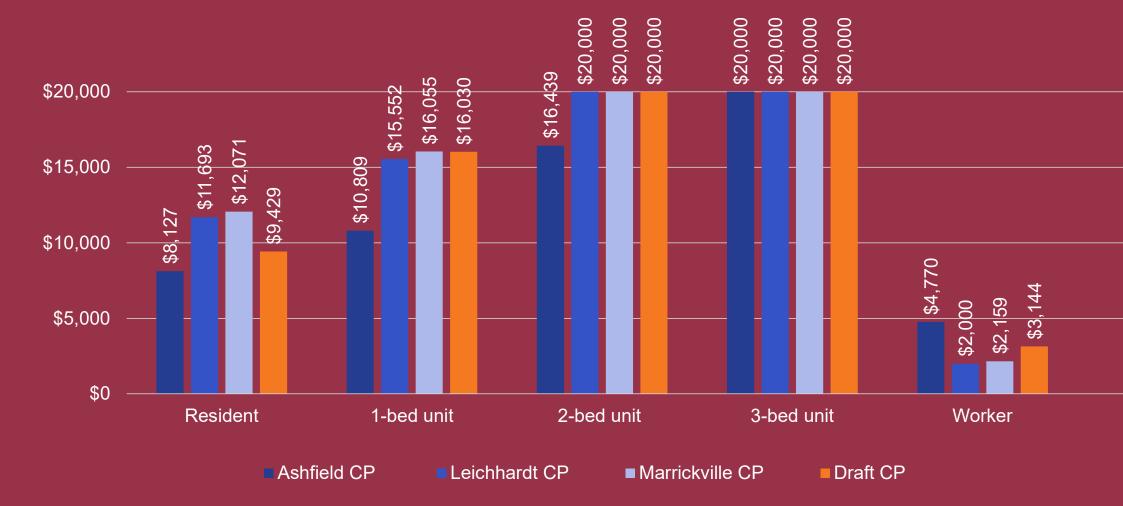
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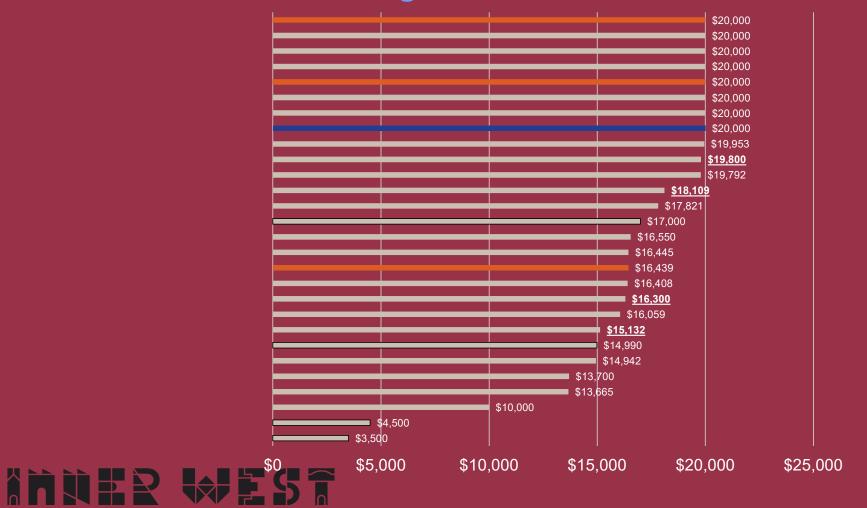


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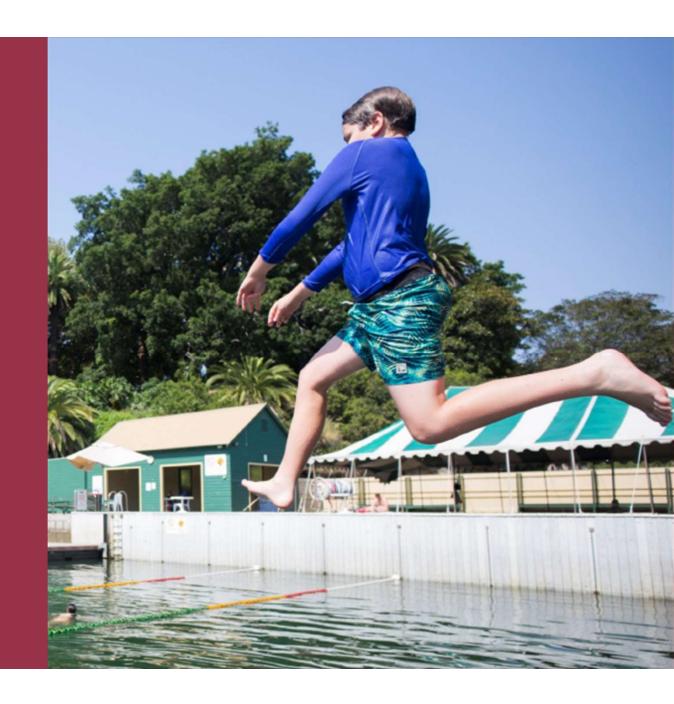


#### Comparison with other council areas Rates for 2-bed dwelling



# What's Next?





### Infrastructure funding process

- Needs studies 🗸
- Initial 'long' works list 🗸
- Estimate costs 🗸
- Apportion costs to development  $\checkmark$
- Calculate contribution rates
- Quantify un-apportioned costs ('gap') ✓
- Prepare gap funding plan
- Reduce CP works list to reflect 'tolerable' gap ✓
- Maintain internal long list <u>← We are here</u>
- \*consider a future infrastructure advocacy program



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2. Exemptions 1. Land

3. Population

4. Cost

5. Indexation

FINISH

input existing

#### Step 3: determine net population increase from the development

& future Click on the relevant checkbox below to indicate if you will (i) complete this tab or (ii) not complete this tab (i.e. assume the development will not result in a net population increase and proceed to the next tab to input the development cost). development Under the plan, a section 7.11 contribution applies if the development will result in a net population increase. If part of the development is exempted from the details to pay a contribution (per Tab 2), this part of the development should be excluded from the existing and future population columns below. A definition of "Existing" and "Future" population will appear when you hover the mouse pointer over them. Some worked examples for various development scenarios (including population calculations) are shown at Tab 13. I will complete the table below O Skip step - assume no increase **Reset this page** Residents Averaging factor for residential accommodation: Select "yes" from the drop **Development type** Unit Net change Existing () Future (i) down menu in the row where Occupancy an existing development has been selected Residential accommodation (including alterations and additions) 1-bed dwelling (incl studios and bedsits)<sup>1</sup> 1.7 res/dwelling dwelling 2-bed dwelling<sup>1</sup> 4 dwelling 2.5 res/dwelling 10 residents 3 or more bed dwelling<sup>1</sup> dwelling 3.6 res/dwelling Co-living housing; student housing; group homes; seniors housing; independent living units; boarding house<sup>2</sup> - room less than 16 m2 1 res/room rooms Per item above – room greater than 16 m2 2 res/room rooms 10.0 residents

#### Visitors (overnight)

### **Key Takeaways - Process**

What's working well?	What's not working well?	The realities?
Simplified provisions and calculator tool - Innovations & efficiencies in business processes Technology Solutions = additional staft training, resources and reliance on manual oversight to maintain integrity.		Hard work without a proper governance model for contribution management
		Collecting data & Workshops
Integrated infrastructure delivery strategy	<b>Governance</b> – defined roles & responsibilities / Executive by-in	Specialist knowledge – key person risk
Financial Planning		Telling & re-telling the story – managing "projects from mars"

