

Patricia Sim
Senior Infrastructure
Planner



"Going from plan to place takes collaboration, creativity, and commitment. When infrastructure planning embodies these values, it supports vibrant and connected communities."

Patricia is an urban planner with experience in infrastructure contributions planning across State and local government and private consultancy.

With a background in architecture, she is passionate about continuous improvement and challenging "business as usual", driving change through inventive ideas that connect infrastructure funding, strategic planning and policy development.

Expertise

- · Local infrastructure contributions
- · Funding strategy and income modelling
- · Policy, process improvement and governance
- · Communication and data visualisation for technical, executive and councillor audiences

Education

Master of Urbanism (Urban and Regional Planning), University of Sydney Bachelor of Science in Architecture, University of the Philippines

Background

Patricia was introduced to infrastructure contributions during her time at the Western Sydney Planning Partnership, where she contributed to the Developer Contributions Toolkit—a best-practice guide developed in collaboration with Western Sydney councils to support effective and consistent infrastructure contributions planning.

She went on to apply this experience in local government, working at Liverpool and Camden councils to implement and review growth area s7.11 plans. At Camden, Patricia led the restructure of Council's contributions framework, consolidating eleven plans into five and updating its Contributions Planning Policy to ensure a contemporary and responsive approach to infrastructure funding in one of Australia's fastest-growing LGAs.

At GLN Planning, Patricia continues to build on this foundation through the preparation of contributions frameworks, infrastructure delivery strategies and policy reviews for councils across NSW. She brings a collaborative and analytical approach to simplifying complex systems, testing contributions rates and works schedules, and helping councils deliver practical and financially sustainable infrastructure outcomes.

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Significant projects include:

- City of Canada Bay Council Review and update of Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan and higher rate s7.12 Plan for the Homebush Transit Oriented Development (TOD) precinct.
- **Willoughby Council** Growth and Infrastructure Framework, Contributions Plan update and Planning Agreements Policy update.
- City of Parramatta Council Contributions Framework Options Paper (Outside CBD Contributions Plan).
- · Cessnock City Council Review and update of draft Land Dedication Policy.
- Midcoast Council Preparation of a new contributions plan incorporating contributions frameworks of the former Gloucester Shire, Great Lakes and Greater Taree councils.
- · Byron Shire Council Contributions Plan review and update.
- **Upper Lachlan Shire Council** Contributions Plan review and update, preparation of a Planning Agreements Policy in response to new renewable energy developments.
- Camden Council Preparation of contributions plans for Precincts 2 and 5 of the South Creek West area.
- Preparation and negotiation of Voluntary Planning Agreements with local and State governments – some clients include Landcom and Stockland.