



Western Sydney Parklands Trust
Eastern Creek - Business Hub
Community and Stakeholder
Consultation Report
August 2012



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NOTE:

Consultation included in this report was undertaken prior to the completion of the EIS report for the Eastern Creek business hub. As such, it was not designed to provide a statistical analysis of support or objections to the project. It should also not be interpreted as representing the full range of views from all stakeholders.

1 Introduction

In November 2006, the NSW Government introduced the Western Sydney Parklands Act 2006 and subsequently established the Western Sydney Parklands Trust to manage the majority of land within the Parklands. The Trust has long recognised the need to develop a limited number of business hubs to help secure a sustainable income stream to help fund the future management of the Parklands.

Throughout 2010, the Trust undertook a detailed program of consultation to help develop a 10 year Plan of Management that would set the framework for future management of the Parklands. A key objective of the Plan is to create a sustainable and long-term income stream to fund the many environmental, social, cultural, recreational and infrastructure projects proposed for the Parklands. Strategically located business hubs on up to two per cent of the Parklands were identified as essential for the Trust to achieve its aim.

To help identify suitable locations for business hubs, the Trust committed to establishing a consultative working group with each of the three Parklands' Councils. The purpose of the working groups was to identify issues and opportunities, and to gain feedback on potential sites and appropriate land uses for business hubs in each Council's LGA.

From the beginning of the process, the Trust made a commitment to only consider potential sites that were of low environmental and recreational value. The principles behind the Trust's investigation were to:

- achieve the Government's goals for the Parklands, by continuing to grow private business investment that creates a sustainable and ongoing funding base for the Parklands;
- work with Blacktown, Liverpool and Fairfield City Councils to identify suitable locations and land use opportunities for business hubs;
- consider the impact on existing land uses and commercial centres in each Council's LGA and deliver additional employment and training opportunities for regional communities and;
- undertake development in a manner that minimises environmental impacts.

The Trust met separately with staff from Fairfield, Liverpool and Blacktown City Councils on several occasions during 2011. This initial round of consultation resulted in a preliminary list of 10 possible sites in each LGA (30 potential sites across the Parklands), with the aim of then assessing the most viable business hub locations for further investigation.

Following the initial round of consultation with each Council, the Trust undertook a detailed assessment of potential sites. This phase of investigation focused on the potential of each site with respect to financial return, economic viability, expected demand, competition and anticipated demographic change, together with an assessment of existing access to services infrastructure, roads and other utilities.

In early 2012 the Trust commenced a second round of consultation with Blacktown City Council for a preferred business hub location situated at the corner of Rooty Hill Road South and the Great Western Highway, Eastern Creek adjacent to the M7 (known as the Eastern Creek Business Hub).

Consultation on the potential development of the Eastern Creek business hub has involved briefings and contact with a wide range of stakeholders. Relevant groups consulted include Blacktown Council officers, numerous business groups and industry associations, state and federal Members of Parliament, government agencies, local community groups, Eastern Creek Public School and a doorknock of local residents.

It should be noted that a number of briefings outlined in this summary also included information about an unrelated business hub that is subject to a separate report and application in the Fairfield LGA.

Consultation activities focused on seeking feedback about potential locations for business hubs and were in addition to the statutory consultation with government agencies as required in the Director General Requirements (DGRs). The aim of consultation was to provide stakeholders with information about the proposed business hub at Eastern Creek and to help develop an understanding of potential issues and opportunities that may require more detailed investigation by the project team. A summary of the consultation activities undertaken to date is listed overleaf.

Note: Separate consultation with Fairfield and Liverpool Councils has also occurred for unrelated business hub locations and is not within the scope of this report.

2 Business hub consultation

2.1 Council consultation

Consultation during 2011 focused on liaison with Blacktown City Council to identify potential business hub locations within their LGA. Summary of meetings is provided as follows:

Blacktown Council – Officers Meeting 1

Date: 8 July 2011 (2pm- 4pm)
Venue: Blacktown Council offices
Attendees: Suellen Fitzgerald (WSPT)
Kerry Jahangir (WSPT)
Eric Brodie (Cadence)
Kathy Jones (KJA Facilitator)
David Robinson (KJA)
Chris Shannon, Manager Strategic and Precinct Planning, Blacktown City Council
Judith Portelli, Manager Development Services and Administration, Blacktown City Council

Meeting purpose:

Preliminary identification of potential business hub sites in the Blacktown LGA.
(Refer attachment 1 for summary for meeting/ action notes)

Council Briefing

Date: September 2011
Venue: Blacktown City Council
Attendees: Suellen Fitzgerald (WSPT)
Brendan Crotty (WSPT)
Clr Blacktown Mayor
Ron Moore, General Manager, Blacktown City Council

Meeting Purpose:

Discussion on preferred site.

Blacktown Council – Officers Meeting 2

Date: Tuesday 28 February 2012 (11:30am-1pm)
Venue: Blacktown Council offices
Attendees: Suellen Fitzgerald, WSPT
Eric Brodie, Cadence
John Riordan, Architectus Sydney
David Robinson, KJA
Ron Moore, General Manager, Blacktown City Council
Glennys James, Director City Strategy and Development, Blacktown City Council
Chris Shannon, Manager Strategic and Precinct Planning, Blacktown City Council

Meeting Purpose:

Discussion and feedback on preferred business hub location at Eastern Creek.

Blacktown Council – Officers Meeting 3

Date: Monday 6 August 2012 (3:40pm-4:40pm)
Venue: Blacktown Council offices
Attendees: Eric Brodie, Cadence
Michael Harrison, Guy Pinkerton, Architectus Sydney
David Robinson, KJA
Chris Shannon, Judith Portelli, Fiona McDermott, Blacktown City Council

Meeting Purpose:

Discussion on investigations and status of the Eastern Creek business hub Environmental Assessment Report.

2.2 Stakeholder consultation

From early 2012 the Trust began a broad range of consultation with key stakeholder groups. This included presentations to various industry associations and business groups, local chambers of commerce, state and federal government agencies, local Members of Parliament and environmental groups.

Separate communication or consultation was also undertaken with a number of Aboriginal organisations including (refer Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment report for details)

- Darug Aboriginal Land Care
- Darug Custodian Aboriginal Corporation
- Darug Land Observations
- Darug Tribal Aboriginal Corporation
- Deerubbin Local Aboriginal Land Council, Gunjeewong Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation, Yarrawalk/Tocomwall.

In addition the Trust arranged a letter box drop to local residents in the adjacent streets and undertook a door knock of approximately 40 residential properties directly opposite the subject site on Rooty Hill Road South.

A list of groups, representatives and/or individuals consulted to date is listed as follows:

- Member for Smithfield, Andrew Rohan
- Member for Parramatta, Dr Geoff Lee
- Member for Penrith, Stuart Ayres
- Minister for Planning
- Department of Planning and Infrastructure – Assessment Group
- Blacktown City Council
- Blacktown & District Environment Group
- Western Sydney Conservation Alliance
- Mount Druitt Historical Society
- Penrith Business Alliance
- Western Sydney Region Organisation of Councils
- Darug Custodial Aboriginal Corporation
- Regional Development Australia
- Western Sydney Business Connection
- Rural Fire Service
- Federal Department of Education, Employment & Workplace Relations (DEEWR)
- NSW Business Chamber (South West region)
- Westlink M7
- Eastern Creek Public School

The following organisations/individuals were notified of the proposal in writing:

- Prospect Heritage Trust
 - Member for Mount Druitt, Richard Amery
 - Rooty Hill RSL, Andrew Eastham
 - Member for Fairfield, Guy Zangari
 - Member for Liverpool, Paul Lynch
 - Member for Blacktown, John Robertson
 - Member for Chifley, Ed Husic
 - Member for Greenway, Michelle Rowlands
 - Member for McMahon, Chris Bowen
 - Member for Hawkesbury, Ray Williams
 - Member for Parramatta, Geoff Lee
 - Member for Smithfield, Andrew Rohan
 - Member for Mulgoa, Tanya Davies
 - Member for Wollondilly, Jai Rowell
 - Member for Campbelltown, Bryan Doyle
 - Member for Camden, Chris Patterson
 - Member for Hughes, Craig Kelly
 - Member for Fowler, Chris Hayes
 - Member for Werriwa, Laurie Ferguson
 - Deerubbin Local Aboriginal Land Council
 - South West Sydney Business Connection
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In addition to the briefings and correspondence with groups identified above, the Trust also arranged a site inspection with the project's Ecological and Heritage consultants and representatives from the Blacktown and Districts Environment Group and the Mount Druitt Historical Society. This was followed up with a comprehensive site survey for Blacktown and District Environment Group.

3 Summary of feedback

Feedback from the early consultation provided a broad range of views about the proposed business hubs. In general, many of the business/industry associations or groups welcomed the expected financial investment that the project would be likely to attract, and supported the prospect of the business hub providing employment opportunities for people in western Sydney. This support relates to both construction related jobs and ongoing full time jobs that would be created, should the business hub be developed.

A limited number of concerns were raised about areas of the Parklands being developed for commercial purpose. This view was based on the philosophical premise that that Parklands should not need to generate funds from commercial activities to support long term improvements and management of the Parklands. Improvements should be funded by Government. Comments and responses were also received from local environment, heritage and historical groups, which also did not support commercial activities within the Parklands.

Refer attachment 2 for a summary of meetings and actions

4 Public exhibition consultation

Additional consultation following lodgement of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIS) is planned and will include:

- Written notification to organisations and individuals contacted during the initial round of consultation
- Follow up briefing with Eastern Creek Public School;
- Liaison with Blacktown City Council;
- Doorknock and letter notification to residents in the adjacent streets;
- Community drop-in information session and;
- Briefing and release with local media.

5 Attachments

Attachment 1 - Blacktown Council meeting notes July 2011

Blacktown Council Workshop – Meeting Notes

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1. Actions

Date:	8 July 2011
Location:	Blacktown Council Level 5, 62 Flushcombe Road Blacktown
Time:	2:00pm - 4:30pm
Attendees:	<p>Western Sydney Parklands Kathy Jones (KJA Facilitator) Suellen Fitzgerald (WSPT) Kerry Jahangir (WSPT) Eric Brodie (Cadence) David Robinson (KJA)</p> <p>Blacktown Council Glennys James, Director City Strategy and Development Judith Portelli, Manager Development Services and Administration Chris Shannon, Manager Strategic and Precinct Planning</p>

Item	Actions	Responsibility
1.	Terms of Reference and workshop notes to Chris Shannon	KJA
2.	Copies of Plan of Management to Chris	WSPT
3.	Check surrounding retail (commercial centre strategy from council)	Council/ WSPT
4.	Investigation of sites – overall feasibility	WSPT
5.	Investigate Southern employment lands	WSPT

2. Terms of Reference

Western Sydney Parklands Council consultation for business hubs Terms of Reference

Preamble:

The terms of the Western Sydney Parklands Act 2006, and the State Environmental Planning Policy (Western Sydney Parklands) 2009 (SEPP), give the Western Sydney Parklands Trust responsibility for the ongoing development and management of the Parklands.

Under the SEPP, the Trust is permitted to incorporate a number of commercial, retail, infrastructure and other uses for the Parklands, which will deliver environmental, social and economic benefits for western Sydney.

To guide the future management of the Parklands, the Western Sydney Parklands Trust has developed a Plan of Management, which sets out five Strategic Directions over the next 10 years. To achieve its objectives the Trust has identified the need for an ongoing revenue stream, including the establishment of business hubs in suitable locations within the Parklands.

The Western Sydney Parklands Trust has committed to establishing consultative working groups with each of the Parklands' Councils to identify potential locations and appropriate land uses for business hubs.

To provide an effective framework to consult with each Council, the Trust has proposed that establishment of the individual Council working groups should be at officer level, followed by additional consultation with each Council's executive team and Councillors to provide feedback on short listed business hub locations and land uses.

Principles:

Development of business hubs will only be permitted to occur on sites with low environmental and recreational values.

The Trust is committed to:

- achieving the Government's goals for the Parklands, by continuing to grow private business investment that creates a sustainable ongoing funding base for the Parklands for the future
- working with Blacktown, Liverpool and Fairfield City Councils to identify suitable locations and land use opportunities for business hubs
- Consider the impact on existing land uses and commercial centres in each Council's LGA and deliver additional employment and training opportunities for regional communities
- Undertaking development in a manner that minimises negative environmental impacts.

Purpose:

The purpose of Working Groups and consultation with each Council is to assist the Trust identify potential locations and appropriate land uses for business hubs and fulfil its obligations under the SEPP.

Consultative workshops:

Three separate working groups will be established, one for each Council, and will enable detailed investigation of potential business hub locations and appropriate land uses relevant to each Councils local government area.

Invitations will be sent to each Council to invite them to nominate representatives to the working group.

Meeting durations will be no more than 2.5 hours and will be held at each Council's nominated Office.

Members must agree to treat all discussions as confidential, for discussion within their respective organisation only.

An independent facilitator (to be nominated by the Trust) will be engaged to facilitate meetings and any issues that arise. The facilitator is responsible for:

- Guiding the meeting according to the agenda and time available
- Ensuring all discussion times end with a decision, action or definite outcome

The facilitator will coordinate a note taker to provide secretariat services. This will include:

- preparing an agenda and issue invitations for meetings
- ensuring all necessary documents for discussion or comment are included in the agenda
- distributing the meeting agenda 7 days prior to the meeting
- Taking notes of proceedings, actions and outcomes of each meeting*
- Ensuring that working group Action Notes are distributed to each relevant Council within 7 days after the meeting.

*The notes will not be a verbatim record of discussion, but a list of actions and key discussion themes.

Functions:

Functions of the consultation process are identified as follows:

Primary Functions

- Facilitate cooperation between Council and the Trust to identify appropriate locations for Business Hubs and appropriate land uses within the Parklands.
- Share information in relation to Council's strategic planning issues and objectives.

Secondary Function

- Explore options with each Council for the inclusion of other facilities, such as sports and recreation facilities, within the Parklands.

Workshop outcomes:

Meeting 1

- Facilitate the establishment of the engagement
- Agree to the Terms of Reference for the Group
- Identify any issues/concerns and decide a way forward to address these.
- Scope potential business hub locations and appropriate land uses.
- Identify opportunities for development of new sports/recreation/other facilities within the Parklands relevant to each Council's area.

Meeting 2

- Undertake detailed discussion of potential locations and share information that may contribute to the short listing of options
- Provide feedback and input into opportunities for additional sports or recreational facilities that are relevant to each Council area
- Discuss next steps and follow up on actions.

Program outcomes:

The anticipated outcomes of working group meetings will feed into the development of short listed business hub locations and appropriate land uses, which will be presented to each Council's executive, Mayor and elected representatives for further discussion. This will form the basis of briefings with other stakeholders including WSROC, business groups and State government departments as appropriate.

Outcomes of discussions will also feed into the preparation of documents as part of the planning process.

Community consultation will be undertaken when sites have been chosen through the Trust's consultative process.

3. Issues List

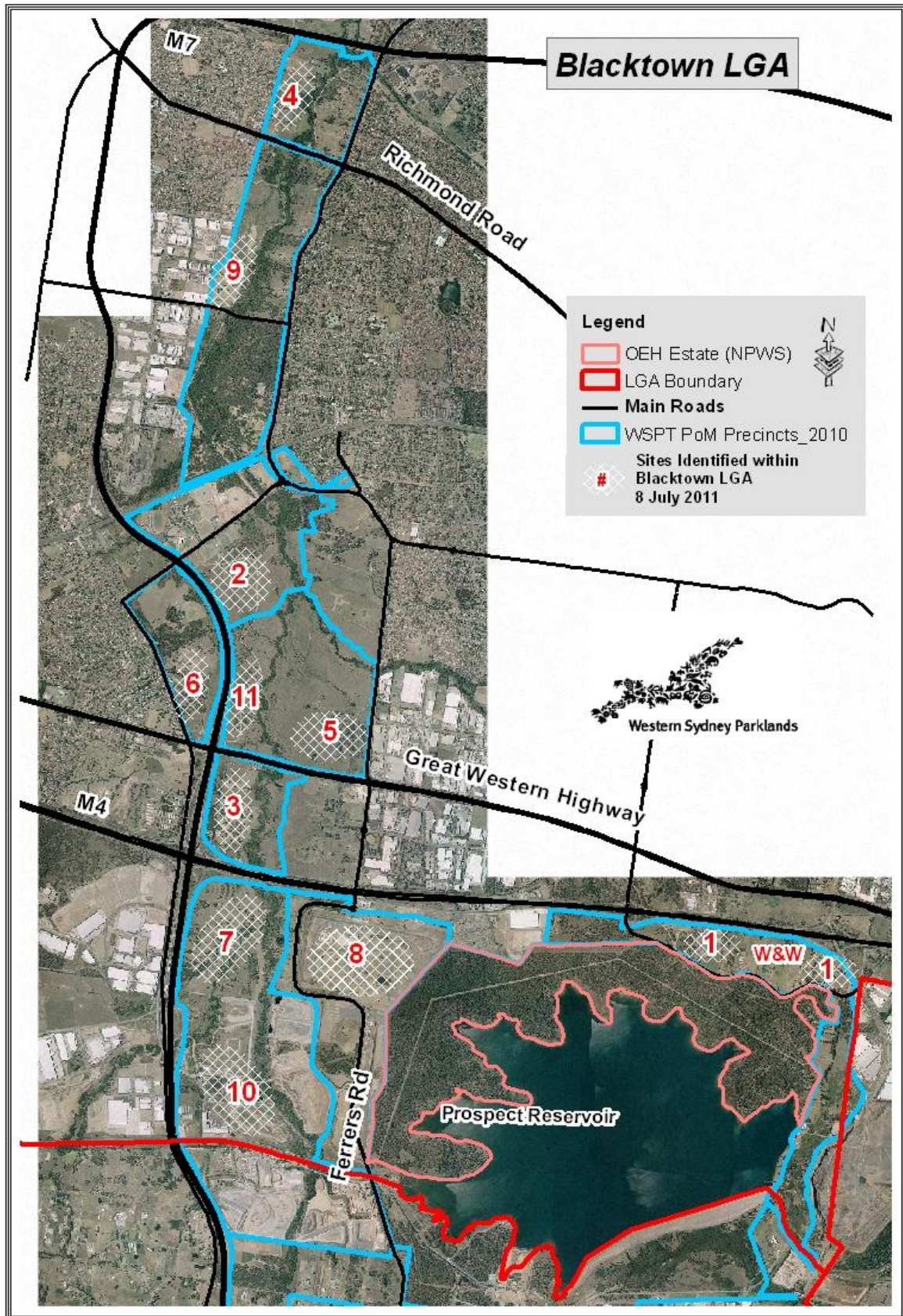
- Business hub split between Councils (Liverpool, Fairfield, Blacktown) should be equal
- Lease lengths need to be acceptable to the market expectations, and competitive
- Blacktown LGA already has a significant amount of industrial use (may limit demand), with much more to come in the future Western Sydney Employment Hub (WSEH) west of the M7
- Traffic – access and upgrades necessary to manage – impacts of development
- Appropriate uses for Business Hubs – consideration of adjoining uses
- Preserve prime recreational and environmental sites for community use
- Buffer zone around the Prospect reservoir won't allow development there
- Saline soils not suitable for agriculture in some level locations adjacent to the Eastern Creek
- Minimise impact on surrounding existing commercial centres
- Any development needs to have low impact on surrounding residential
- Flooding constraints - need to assess any sites against flood modeling maps
- Transmission lines & service easements are a constraint
- Business Hubs must be high income raising, not just generating activity, to meet the Trusts financial objectives
- Potential Bulky Goods use in Southern part of LGA, east of the reservoir

4. Map information (correlating information for attached pdf map)

Possible Business Hub Site Options 1-10	
1.	<p>Adjacent to wet'n'wild</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Light industry • High tech business park • Access to M4 & Great Western Hwy • Destination retail (warehouse, outlet) • Surrounded by light industrial & punctuated by W&W • Some heritage items in this location (will be an issue) • Traffic access off Old GWH could be problematic • Recreation/tourism uses would suit • Future usage would be separate to the Drive-in (under private ownership)
2.	<p>Tourism Hub adjacent to Blacktown Olympic Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flood plain in parts • Potential for commercial activities to leverage off existing sporting activities • Conference centre, exhibition space, specialist retail could be viable • Close to public transport • Jemena gas pipeline is a constraint
3.	<p>Agriculture hub</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access issues • Wind turbines and solar panels could be possible uses
4.	<p>Allotment gardens</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flood prone land • Industrial around residential would not be good • Specialist retail that didn't compete with existing local might be possible
5.	<p>Bulky goods</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good access • Above flood plain • Possible contamination from former Telstra site • Could draw on new Goodman employment land south of GWH • Good exposure to traffic on GWH • High value site for recreation, picnic, and tourism uses
6.	<p>Bulky goods</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cut off from main body of the Parklands open space • Flooding possible issue • Some traffic issues possible if off Rooty Hill Road • Potential for bulky goods and/or specialist retail

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Below Rooty Hill, which is indigenous heritage site of great significance
7.	<p>Commercial / education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isolated from residential Commercial and/or employment use potential, if demand exists Part of motor cluster (although separated from existing by creek and tributary) Contamination possible
8.	<p>Raceway</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sporting and tourism would seem ideal for this site, although not high value income uses Research and Development motor industry Existing facilities estimated budget for major rejuvenation is \$120m
9.	<p>Existing dog training and Council nursery</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited space for business hub without impacting on continuous Parkland corridor
10.	Post 2017 recreation area (not a hub)
11.	<p>Bulky goods as a use, but:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access issue (same as potential site 3) Limited opportunity Creek constraints and salinity issues Easements However, flat site with good visibility from M7

5. Map



6. Additional Opportunities

- Education
- Automobile centre/hub
- Landscape/nursery/plant production
- Tourism hub around playing fields (2)
- Retail and commercial uses likely to bring in higher revenues than industrial for the Trust
- M4/M7 intersection in high demand, and good for employment uses, but requires good access

7. Next Steps

- Due diligence – investigation of options, starting with market demand, to narrow down the site options
- Follow up consultation with Blacktown Council on the narrow options
- Additional thoughts by Council officers to be sent to the Trust through Chris Shannon
- David Robinson to forward meeting notes and Terms of Reference through Chris Shannon

Attachment 2 – Stakeholder Meeting Notes 2012

Business hub consultation 2012

Meeting dates	Comments and actions
January 2012 Briefings prior request for DGR's	Briefings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Western Sydney Government MPs – Andrew Rohan, Geoff Lee, Stuart Ayres • Minister for Planning's Office • Department of Planning and Infrastructure – Assessment Group, Heather Warton, David Gibson
Date: 21 February 2012 Correspondence sent	Correspondence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Western Sydney Conservation Alliance • Prospect Heritage Trust • Member for Mount Druitt, Richard Amery • Rooty Hill RSL, Andrew Eastham • Member for Fairfield, Guy Zangari • Member for Liverpool, Paul Lynch • Member for Blacktown, John Robertson • Member for Chifley, Ed Husic • Member for Greenway, Michelle Rowlands • Member for McMahon, Chris Bowen • Member for Hawkesbury, Ray Williams • Member for Parramatta, Geoff Lee • Member for Smithfield, Andrew Rohan • Member for Mulgoa, Tanya Davies • Member for Wollondilly, Jai Rowell • Member for Campbelltown, Bryan Doyle • Member for Camden, Chris Patterson • Member for Hughes, Craig Kelly • Member for Fowler, Chris Hayes • Member for Werriwa, Laurie Fergus Actions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Hayes would like to be kept informed about future developments • Laurie Ferguson didn't want a briefing but would like to be kept informed about future developments
Date: 22 February 2012 Door knocking Location: Rooty Hill Road South, Church Street, Cable Place	Comments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Job creation in the area is a good thing • Increased traffic on Rooty Hill South Road, particularly getting out of Cable Place and access to Parklands • Prefer open space to be kept rather than developed • Concerns with wildlife disruption • Disappointed that Bob Carr had promised that the site wouldn't be developed • Concern if the development will create a flood risk to properties on Rooty Hill South Road • Concern about how local shops will suffer as a result, the community feels strongly about supporting local SMEs • Concern about lack of facilities in Parklands for children • Clarification required about how many shops will be in the hub and how large area will be developed • Concerns about social impact in the area as a result of the development

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concerns about coal seam gas exploration in the Parklands (unrelated)
<p>Date: 28 February 2012 Blacktown Council (officers) Location: Blacktown office</p> <p>Attendees: Ron Moore, GM Glennys James Chris Shannon</p> <p>Suellen Fitzgerald Eric Brodie, Cadence John Riordan, Architecus David Robinson, KJA</p>	<p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Philosophical issues with business hubs in Parklands. Issue with location and impact on other local centres (ie competition with small business that is already established) Rooty Hill, Doonside, Blacktown, St Martins shopping Centre Some skepticism about trade area for bulky goods stretching to Growth Centres Council won't support more convenience retail although may reluctantly accept bulky goods retail Important that any growth supports high density, high quality, diversity of job types Appeared supportive about focusing on Parklands Improvements <p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep informed Send through details/info on demand studies Ongoing discussion and involvement and establishment of working group
<p>Briefings declined as at March 2012</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Liverpool Chamber of Commerce, Harry Hunt - too busy at present – will come back to us when briefing is required South West Sydney Business Connection, Daniel Mangion - too busy at present – will come back to us when briefing is required Clearly Business, David Baumgarten - in the middle of a major tender so too busy – will come back to us when briefing is required Blacktown and District Historical Society, Janette French - would like to be kept informed about future developments University of Western Sydney, Peter Eeles - would like to be kept informed about future developments AIG, Mark Goodsell - too busy at present – will come back to us when briefing is required Deerubbin Local Aboriginal Land Council - mix up with time, was unable to reschedule suitable time, need to reschedule in the future.
<p>Date: 2 March 2010 Penrith Business Alliance Location: Henry Street, Penrith</p> <p>Attendees: Bijai Kumar Paul Brennan Ben Artup</p> <p>Suellen Fitzgerald David Robinson, KJA</p>	<p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supports jobs in western Sydney (even though the business hubs are outside of their area) 63% Penrith residents leave the area for jobs each day Particularly interested in seeing skilled high density employment opportunities in the area, (not more of the same low quality, low density warehouse style employment opportunities) Supportive of engaging local trades, during construction. Mentioned lack of local opportunity during BER roll out. Suggests seminar/workshop/briefing about how local business can tender on government projects. Is happy to be involved in this area. <p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep informed Potential involvement in industry briefings
<p>Date: 2 March 2010 Fairfield Council (Officers) Location: Council office</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Happy to establish a technical working party during preparation of planning application Advised of significant interest from the Horsley Park community and suggested ongoing communications. Supportive of local job initiatives

Attendees Rhonda Tyne Suellen Fitzgerald, Tim Colless (HY), Phil Jones (JP Planning)	Actions Keep informed through working group.
Date: 5 March 2012 Eastern Creek Public School Location: Rooty Hill Road South Attendees: Wesley Chia Principal Suellen Fitzgerald David Robinson, KJA	Comments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School is made up of approx 300 kids and 250 families • Majority of pedestrian access (and drop off /pick up) is through the rear of the school, (via the Council oval and car park off Cawarra Street). • Happy to put info into school newsletter and also advise other local schools Principals in the area (through monthly networking). • Any communication needs to consider high level of English as a Second Language (ESL) families. Pilipino, Pacific Islander, Sudanese, Middle Eastern. • The high fence along Rooty Hill Rd south is (in part) to stop unauthorized access on weekends and at other times. • Interesting fact: Eastern Creek Public (established in 1866) was previously located on the site of proposed Eastern Creek Business Hub- it moved in 1950's due to flooding and termite infestation. • Principal mentioned RSL could provide background to any historical significance as Military camp. • School fete in October may provide opportunity for public info depending on timing Actions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft info for inclusion in school newsletter • Keep informed, additional info as required
Date: 6 March 2012 WSROC Location: WSROC Office, Campbell Street Blacktown Attendees: Kerry Bartlet, CEO Zhan Patterson, Project Manager Suellen Fitzgerald David Robinson, KJA	Comments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expressed initial concern about Parklands being used for business purposes, (although maximum level of 2% identified in Plan of Management provided some comfort). • Supportive of the improvements to the recreation spaces within Parklands. • Any jobs created needs to be high quality, high density. • Mentioned old military training (camp) ground and potential for support from Anzac Centenary through grant to commemorate. Actions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep informed • Additional briefings as required
Date: 7 March 2012 Local Conservation and Heritage Groups Location: WSPT office Attendees: Martin O'Reilly, Western Sydney Conservation Alliance Wayne Olling, Blacktown & District Environment Group Sam and Anna Learmonth, Mt Druitt Historical	Comments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some concern about commercial use of Parklands and loss of habitat. • Wants heritage dig/ investigation of archeological find along Pikes Lane (remnants of old property have been found). • Positive about being informed early in process • Wants greater collaboration info sharing and mapping of vegetation with Blacktown District environment group. • Study of impact on Flora and Fauna. • Sam Learmonth has lived in area for generations

<p>Society Sonia Bennet, Friends of Grantham, Blacktown District & Environmental Group</p> <p>Suellen Fitzgerald David Robinson, KJA David Kirkland Calli Brown</p>	<p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WSPT has agreed to provide site tour of eastern creek site in coming weeks • Keep informed and share info
<p>Date: 7 March 2012 Darug Custodial Aboriginal Corporation Location: Darug office Seven Hills Rd south</p> <p>Attendees: Terry Lee (Sandra Lee away sick)</p> <p>Suellen Fitzgerald David Robinson, KJA</p>	<p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upset about funding for Chinese gardens in Nurragingy Reserve • Interested in agricultural leases for bush tucker garden and indigenous camp area • Would like to see archeological study for aboriginal artifacts included in project and recognition info of Darug land <p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep informed • Call every 6 weeks or so and meet when necessary
<p>Date: 8 March 2012 Regional Development Australia & Western Sydney Business Connection Location: WSPT office</p> <p>Attendees: Bob Germaine, Executive Officer (RDA) Alan Pendleton, Chairman (RDA) Peter Dunphy, General Manager (WSBC)</p> <p>Suellen Fitzgerald David Robinson, KJA Michael Harrison, Architectus</p>	<p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentioned opportunity to expand raceway area and motor precinct. • Potential to expand landfill area beyond current (Alan Pendleton) as future income stream • Discussion about Agricultural leases (should look at in DP&I 2008 report and reference to agricultural opportunity) • Horsley Drive between M7 Wetherill Park and M7 needs upgrading. Also opportunity to improve Victoria rd to Horsley Drive. • RDA support business hubs if consistent with RDA regional plan. • Should explore opportunity for Horsley Drive business hub to include support services for business ie: banking, food, accounting, childcare etc. • Support for providing tender opportunities for local business during construction • Support for high density and high skilled job opportunities <p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep informed • Suellen to contact Therese O'Dwyer at RDA to explore how to engage with /encourage local business to tender on projects • Potential involvement in industry briefings <p>Note</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alan Pendleton's support for business hubs is in his role as Chairman of RDA. He will have different position as Mayor of Blacktown. Major concern from Council (and community) is continual sell off or leasing of Parklands for other uses.
<p>Date: 9 March 2012 Rural Fire Service Location: 8 Jeanette Street, Regentville</p>	<p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General interest no major issues • Interested in working closely with WSPT re access to Parklands

<p>Attendees: Justin Back, Inspector Richard Petch, Superintendent Tony Gray, Inspector</p> <p>Suellen Fitzgerald David Robinson, KJA</p>	<p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Send electronic maps of Parklands from POM • Consider access to Eastern Creek, RFS station off Rooty Hill Road South, ie line marking on roadway and access across Median Strip for north south access • Keep informed and develop relationship for other areas of Parklands.
<p>Date: 12 March 2012 DEEWR Location: WSPT office</p> <p>Attendees: David Puckeridge, Local Employment Coordinator Canterbury- Bankstown and South West Sydney Narelle Wheatland, Local Employment Coordinator Sydney West and Blue Mountains</p> <p>Suellen Fitzgerald David Robinson, KJA</p>	<p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for jobs growth in western Sydney • Potential for business hub to include support services for business ie: banking, food, accounting, particularly at Wetherill Park • Support for high density and diverse job. • Check and encourage better public transport access through Westbus • Explore opportunities for tenders to encourage local job opportunities, ie: trades and services, aboriginal employment. Check Social Procurement Guide for NSW comes out in May 2012. • Potential opportunity for support funding for local employment opportunities (Federal grant) (ends June 2013) refer Workforce Development Flexible Funding program. <p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep informed • DEEWR to send Suellen details of Workforce Development Flexible Funding • Potential involvement in industry briefings
<p>Date: 13 March 2012 Westlink M7 Location: Westlink office</p> <p>Attendees: Jeff McCarthy, Executive General Manager Bronwyn Hunter, Community and stakeholder relations manager</p> <p>Suellen Fitzgerald David Robinson, KJA</p>	<p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for commercial activities close to M7 • Potential for improved access/ egress from M7 to Horsley Drive. • Unrelated issue with commercial signage DA off M7. Mentioned submission to DP&I, also submission by RMS <p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep informed
<p>Date: 14 March 2012 NSW Business Chamber Location: WSPT office and KJA</p> <p>Attendees: Michelle Caruso Regional Manager for Sydney South West region Sean Molloy, Senior Manager, Policy Luke Aitken, Manager, Policy</p>	<p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for jobs in Western Sydney • Opportunity for NSW Business Chamber to assist in informing businesses and industry and suppliers about tender opportunities • Promotion and information through Regional Advisory Council meetings. President of RAC Wayne Streat very supportive. 'ICN ' industry capabilities network, good source for industry services in procurement. • Potential to consider training facilities on site- changes to HSC – Vocational Education and training <p>Actions</p>

<p>Suellen Fitzgerald David Robinson, KJA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep informed • Suggest contact with Wayne Streat
<p>Date: 19 March 2012 Cumberland Business Chamber Location: Suite 2, 694 The Horsley Drive</p> <p>Attendees: Narelle Stoker General Manager</p> <p>Suellen Fitzgerald David Robinson, KJA</p>	<p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supportive of jobs / investment in Western Sydney (particularly in this region) • Needs to be compatible with Wetherill Park businesses • Road Infrastructure and traffic improvements required at Cowpasture Road / Horsley Drive • (Has regular briefing with local businesses and state and federal politicians) • Education opportunities with TAFE? <p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep informed • Hold briefing, when further details of proposal have been completed
<p>Date: 19 March 2012 Fairfield Chamber Location: Ray White office on 9/13 Nelson Street, Fairfield</p> <p>Attendees: Vince Movizio, Chamber President Silvano Frassetto - local landowner Vincent Morizzi – local landowner</p> <p>Suellen Fitzgerald David Robinson, KJA</p>	<p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initially not supportive main concerns were from Vincent Morizzi and Silvano Frassetto (How can WSPT allow 24 year plus leases for activities not supported by Council). The same opportunity should be given to local land owners from outside of the Parklands to develop their land. Why not develop key hole lands for Industrial uses • Silvano Frassetto was interested in an unrelated project (Tavern proposal at Lizard Log) not supportive of this and will campaign against • Chamber president was the most supportive - If good for Fairfield he would support. • Silvano mentioned that he had previously developed land at Victoria St and Cowpasture Road and was required to install a large sewerage line. • Interested in local politics about proposals <p>Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep informed through Chamber President (Main contact is Vince Movizio)
<p>Date: 6 August 2012 Blacktown Council (officers) Location: Blacktown office</p> <p>Attendees: Chris Shannon, Blacktown Council Judith Portelli, Blacktown Council Fiona Mcdermott, Blacktown Council</p>	<p>Comments General update provided by Consultants</p> <p>Queries/comments to be considered in EIS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrangements for alternative emergency access? • Potential for future access from to Church Street? • Ownership of Begs Rd and Belmore Road – Is this just an easement, as shown on drawings or is it owned by Council? • Can development occur on roads owned by Council without owner's approval? • Protection of Cumberland Plain Woodland Particularly near lot 5 • General comment that Council does not support business hubs <p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep informed and advise when EIS is being lodged • Project team to liaise with Council Traffic Engineers for road and other matters

