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# 1. Introduction

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## 1.1 Purpose of this report

Social infrastructure incorporates the facilities and services that are used for the physical, social, cultural or intellectual development or welfare of the community. The aim of the Parramatta Road Urban Transformation Programme Social Infrastructure Analysis is to determine the social infrastructure that will be required to accommodate the needs of the existing and future population of the Corridor. The report has been developed to:

- Assist local councils to plan for the provision of the physical social infrastructure required to meet the needs of their communities.
- Provide a desktop assessment of the current level of provision of social infrastructure in the Study Area and Corridor.
- Consider the social infrastructure planning approaches to identify the rates of provision for different types of social infrastructure in the Corridor.
- Provide recommendations for new and upgraded facilities required to respond to future growth expected in the Corridor.
- Outline next steps for studies that will assist in the detailed planning of the Precincts and communities along the Corridor.

## 1.2 Structure of this report

The Social Infrastructure Analysis has been developed in two volumes. Volume One contains the overall assessment of social infrastructure requirements across the Corridor. It includes an analysis of submissions received during exhibition of the draft Strategy, a review of the policy context, and an analysis of the existing and potential future population within each of the Precincts. Volume One presents an overview of the challenges with providing social infrastructure in an urban renewal context as well as recommendations for the social infrastructure required across the Corridor. In addition, Volume One provides recommendations for next steps that will assist in implementation of the Strategy.

This report, Volume Two, contains a detailed analysis for each of the eight individual Precincts. The analysis has been divided into local and regional social infrastructure. Each Precinct contains detailed recommendations regarding the provision of social infrastructure required to service their respective population as well as advice regarding implementation of these recommendations.

## 2. Methodology

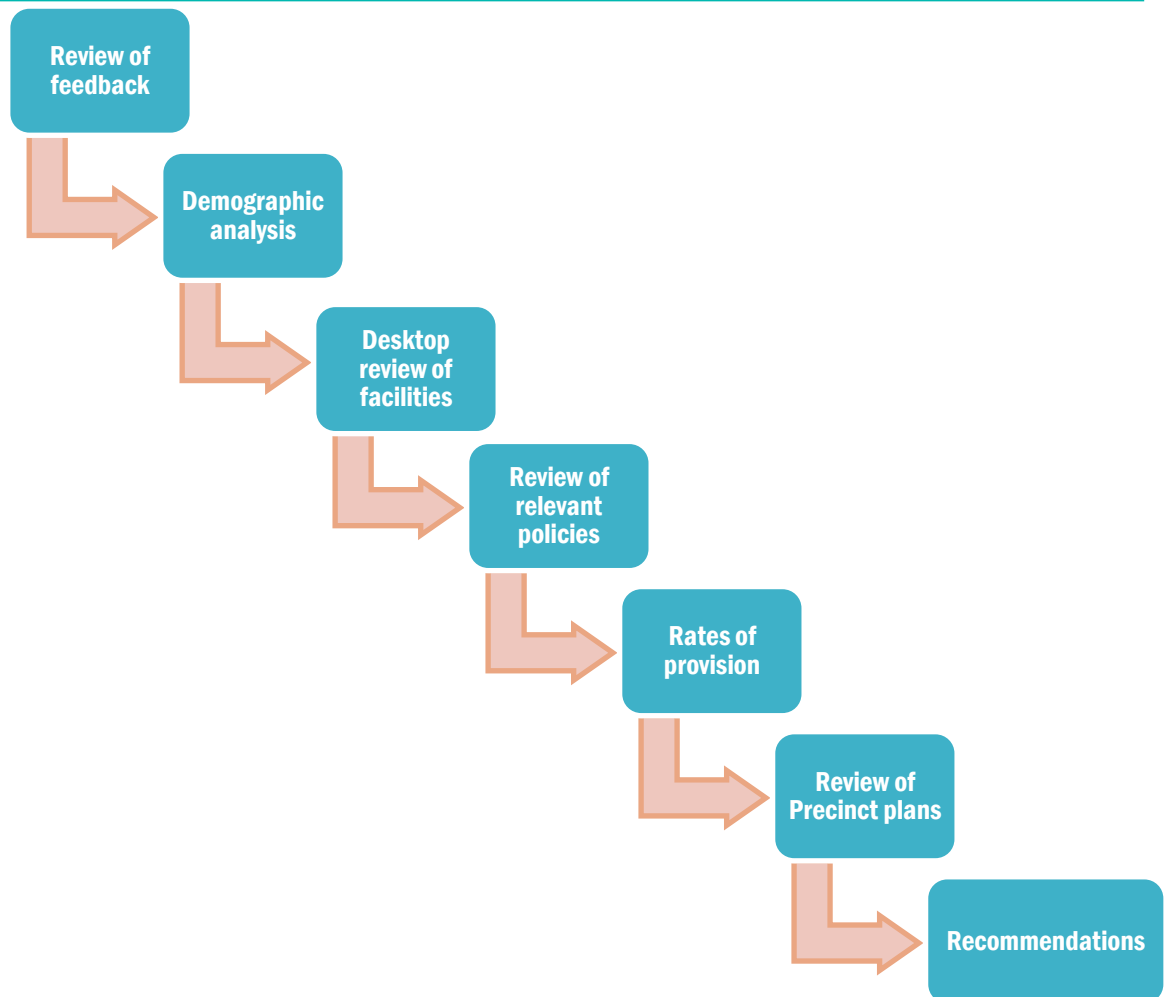
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There are diverse communities that live and work along the Corridor. Every community has its own unique demographic profile, rate of growth, geography and population density. These factors all influence the provision of social infrastructure. The methodology outlined in Figure 1 was undertaken to ensure that the needs of each community are considered within the recommendations for social infrastructure.

This report has undertaken an analysis at the Precinct level to understand the existing and projected future community, identify existing social infrastructure facilities and identify potential opportunities. A detailed analysis of the Draft Precinct Plans has enabled recommendations to be made for the upgrade of existing facilities and potential locations for new facilities. These recommendations will need to be confirmed through a detailed audit of the existing community facilities as recommended in Next Steps in Section 5.3 of Volume One.

**Figure 1 Methodology for preparing the social infrastructure analysis**

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### 3. Granville Precinct

Granville is a bustling multicultural town centre with a mix of social, retail and dining areas, which are located to the south of Granville train station. The urban transformation will focus on the area to the north of the station and will make the most of the easy access to the Granville Train station as well as the Parramatta CBD.

There is a significant amount of development occurring in the area surrounding Granville. This includes the North Parramatta Urban Renewal Precinct, redevelopment of the Camellia Precinct surrounding the Rosehill Racecourse and development within the Parramatta CBD.

Governance of the Granville Precinct is divided between City of Parramatta Council and the newly formed Cumberland Council.

#### 3.1 The existing and potential future Granville community

The Granville community is multicultural with 55% of residents born in non-main English speaking countries in comparison to 26% for the Greater Sydney region. The Granville population is also younger with a median age of 31 compared to 36 for Greater Sydney. A summary of the key statistics is provided in Table 1. Maps of the census data used for the demographic analysis are provided in Appendix A of Volume One.

**Table 1: Key demographics for existing Granville Precinct residents**

Area	Median age (years)	Persons born in non-main English-speaking countries	Average household size (number of persons)	Median weekly household income	People with a post-school qualification
Granville Precinct	31	55%	2.9	\$1,275	59%
Greater Sydney	36	26%	2.7	\$1,447	60%

The population projections for the Draft Strategy prepared by Cox Richardson Architects for the short term (2016-2023) to medium to longer term (2024-2054) are provided in Table 2.

**Table 2: Population projections for the Granville Precinct**

	Short term (2016 - 2023)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
Granville	6,641	10,701

#### 3.2 Analysis of social infrastructure

Following the council boundary changes in May 2016, the Granville town centre is now divided, with the southern portion of Granville located in the newly formed Cumberland Council and the remaining area within the City of Parramatta. Arrangements are currently in place to transfer the community facilities in Granville, namely the Granville Town Hall, Granville Branch Library, Granville Youth and Community Recreation Centre and Swimming Centre to be in the ownership and management of Cumberland Council.

The following section provides an analysis of the local and district social infrastructure including opportunities that have been identified by the various councils. Figure 2 contains a map of all of the facilities that have been identified through the desktop audit and are including in the following discussion.

### 3.2.1 Community centres and meeting spaces

There are seven Council owned facilities within or in close proximity to the Granville Precinct that provide services to the existing residents. The facilities include town halls, youth centres and libraries. These are listed in Table 3. The facilities are supported by a number of not-for-profit and privately operated facilities including the Parramatta PCYC, Granville Scout Hall and the Granville Multicultural Community Centre.

**Table 3: Council owned community centres, meeting spaces and libraries that serve the Granville Precinct**

Name	Type	Facilities	Address
Granville Town Hall	Town hall	Main hall with capacity for 200 people Two meeting rooms	10 Carlton Street, Granville
Parramatta Town Hall	Town hall	Main hall with capacity for 100 people Three meeting rooms	182 Church Street, Parramatta
Granville Youth & Community Recreation Centre	Youth centre	Main hall with capacity for 280 people Two meeting rooms Art room Interview room Computer room	3A Memorial Drive, Granville
Granville Branch Library	Branch library	Meeting room	8 Carlton Street, Granville
Parramatta City Library	City library	Meeting room	1-3 Fitzwilliam Street, Parramatta
Merrylands Community Centre	Community centre	Two meeting rooms Art and craft room	17 Miller Street, Merrylands
Jones Park Hall	Function hall	Function hall and kitchen	151 Burnett Street, Mays Hill

#### Opportunities identified by the Councils

*A Plan for Growing Sydney* has identified Parramatta as Sydney's second CBD. Consequently, there will be a significant amount of residential and employment growth within the CBD and in the immediate areas surrounding the CBD.

In response to overall population growth in the area, planning documents prepared by both Councils identify potential upgrades to existing facilities or for new facilities to be provided. Some of the projects outlined in these documents will benefit the future population of the Granville Precinct particularly facilities that will function as regional and district level facilities, for example the multipurpose arts and cultural facility. Although, these projects are acknowledged and identified in Table 4, local facilities will still be required to service the needs of the Granville Precinct.

In addition, Cumberland Council has acknowledged that planning is underway for the redevelopment of the youth and recreation centre in Memorial Park, Granville. According to Council, the site could support cultural/art facilities to support the whole of the Cumberland LGA and the new community centre and library could support the Granville Precinct. The new facility would enable existing facilities such as the

Town Hall to support additional uses such as performance space, while the library could be converted into a community meeting space.

**Table 4: Proposed community facilities identified by Councils**

Proposal	Location	Document
Upgrade/new community buildings throughout LGA including halls, meeting rooms, community centres, youth centres and the like, or the provision of one community hub	LGA Wide	Parramatta Section 94A Development Contributions Plan 20 May 2015
Upgrade/expand at least one library across the LGA.	LGA Wide	Parramatta Section 94A Development Contributions Plan 20 May 2015
A new 1,500m <sup>2</sup> community centre in Merrylands, given its growth and accessibility by public transport, and the refurbishment of existing community centres at other high-growth locations in the LGA.	Merrylands	Holroyd Section 94 Development Contributions Plan (2013)

### 3.2.2 Libraries

#### Existing facilities

There are two libraries that within a 1km radius of the Granville Precinct as identified in Table 3. These include the Granville Branch Library and Parramatta Central Library. The Parramatta Central Library services the Greater Parramatta Region and therefore functions as a district level facility. The Granville Branch Library is the closest library to the Granville Precinct and is located just outside the Precinct across the railway line. A proposed cycle link will increase active travel connections to this library.

According to Cumberland Council, the Granville Library experiences high demand for flexible meeting space due to its programs catered to the young and multicultural populations. An assessment should be undertaken to determine whether the Granville Library building can be expanded to accommodate more flexible meeting spaces in the short to medium term or whether it is more cost effective to co-locate the library in the longer term with other community facilities on Council land elsewhere in Granville.

#### Opportunities

Greater Parramatta Council is currently constructing a new Parramatta Central Library in Parramatta Square as part of the new town hall and civic building. The upgrade will provide increased capacity to accommodate growth in the resident population and workforce in the city centre. It is anticipated that the library will function as a district and perhaps even a regional facility. The upgraded library would be accessed by residents of the Granville Precinct.

Cumberland Council is currently planning to redevelop the youth and recreation centre in Memorial Park, Granville. If this site is redeveloped as a district level multipurpose community centre, then a new library should be incorporated into the development. The library would provide services for the new population generated by the Parramatta Urban Transformation Program as well as other urban renewal developments within the surrounding area including Camellia.

### 3.2.3 Cultural Facilities

#### Existing facilities

The Granville Precinct's close proximity to the Parramatta CBD will enable access for residents to regional cultural spaces such as:

- Riverside Theatre

- Parramatta Artists Studio
- The relocated Powerhouse Museum.

In addition to these, multipurpose community centres such as the Granville Youth & Community Recreation Centre and Merrylands Community Centre also provide spaces for cultural activities.

### Opportunities

The development of a multipurpose community centre within Granville would enable existing facilities such as the Granville Town Hall and Granville Library to be repurposed. The Granville Town Hall has facilities ideal for a performance space, including a stage and changing rooms. There is an opportunity for these facilities to be upgraded to support this purpose.

### 3.2.4 Childcare and Out of School Hours Care

#### Existing facilities

The majority of childcare providers within a 1km radius of the Granville Precinct are owned and operated by private operators. Cumberland Council operates five centres within the LGA. Three of these are located within the 1km radius of the Precinct. City of Parramatta Council operates one long day care centre which is located within the 1km radius. All primary schools listed in Table 53 provide OOSH services.

**Table 5: Council operated childcare centres within 1km of the Granville Precinct**

Centre	Age	Address	Number of places
Holroyd Children's Centre (Gumnut Grove)	6 weeks to school age	13 Windsor Rd Merrylands	45
Holroyd Children's Centre (Banksia Babes)	6 weeks to school age	1 Goodlet St Merrylands	30
Frances Fisk Child Care Centre	6 weeks to school age	64 The Avenue Granville	40
Jubilee Park Child Care Centre	6 weeks to school age	Jubilee Lane Harris Park	42

The *Early Education and Care Services Needs Analysis for Parramatta LGA* (Parramatta City Council, 2015) identified that there is a current potential undersupply of 864 long day care places and 77 before/after school care places. The report estimates that by 2036 there will be a potential undersupply of approximately 2,898 long day care places and 671 before/after school care places.

### 3.2.5 Sportsground and recreation facilities

#### Existing facilities

Granville is located close to a number of district parks and sporting grounds including FS Garside Park, Holroyd Sportsground and Ollie Webb Reserve. There are seven recreation areas within an 800m radius of the Granville Precinct, which cater to a wide variety of sport activities. A summary of the facilities across all of the recreation areas is provided in Table 6. The table has been based on a desktop review of existing facilities. As acknowledged in Volume One, a more detailed Recreation Needs Assessment is required to investigate how the existing facilities are currently used as well as recreation trends within the LGA that will influence future provision.

**Table 6: Summary of recreation facilities within Granville Precinct**

Facility type	Sport type	Number of facilities
Sportsfields	Rugby field	9
	Soccer fields	10
Courts	Half basketball court	3
	Full basketball court	1
	Tennis	0
Outdoor youth recreation facility	Skate park	2
Swimming pool	Swimming pools	2

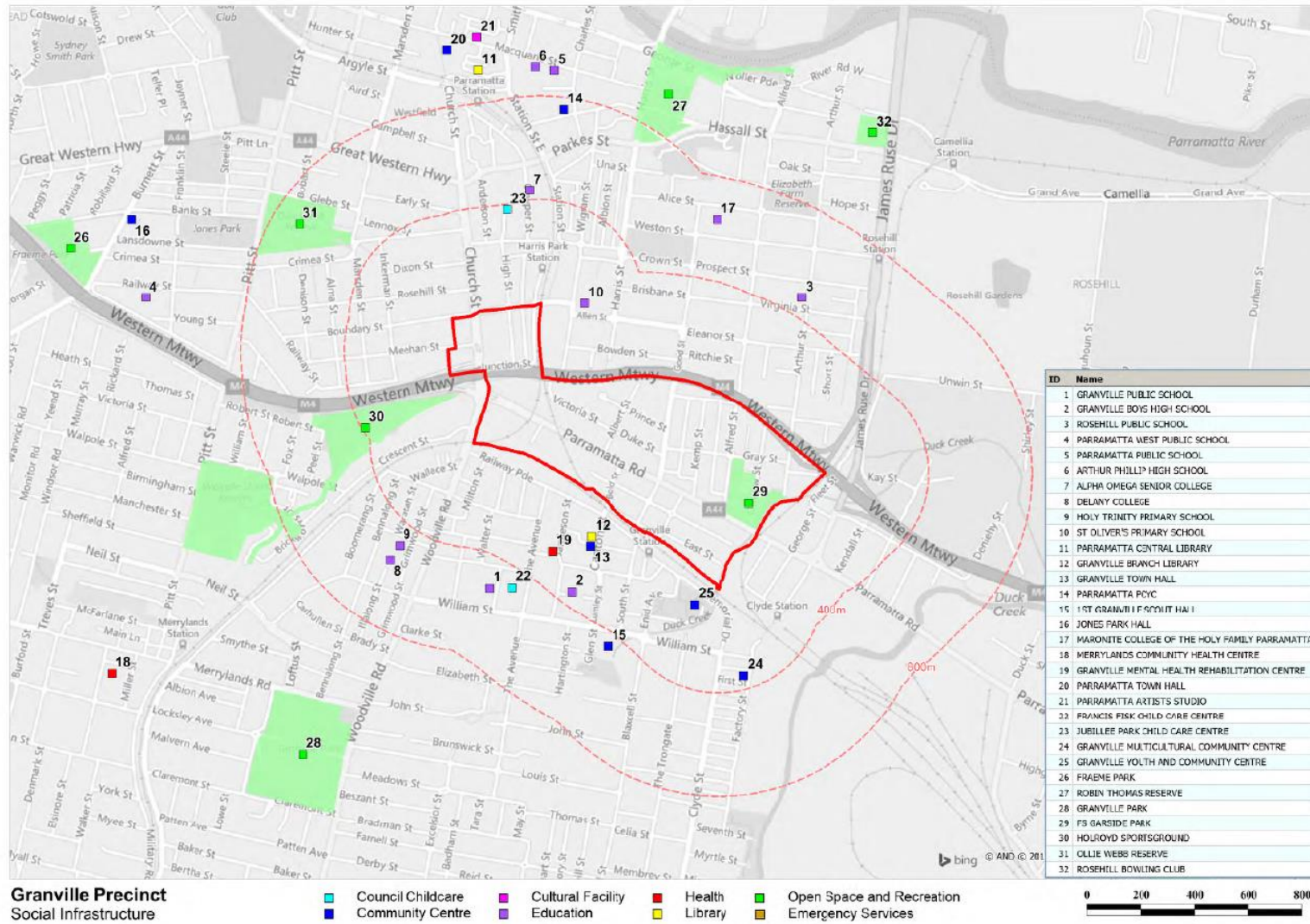
### Opportunities

The Granville Precinct is located close to two district parks and sporting grounds, FS Garside Park and Holroyd Sportsground. Council submissions to the Draft Open Space and Social Infrastructure Report identified a number of opportunities for the open space and recreation facilities within the Granville Precinct. Council suggestions included:

- Granville Park – currently this park is leased to the Parramatta Rugby Union and access to the facilities is restricted by a fence. The lower three soccer fields have restricted use due to resident objections. There is the potential for facilities in this park to be upgraded.
- FS Garside Park – reconfiguration and upgrade of the Park to increase open space accessibility.

The Recreation Needs Assessment will need to examine these parks in greater detail to understand their role, management of space and opportunities for future use.

Figure 2: Social infrastructure currently servicing the Granville Precinct



### **3.3 Social infrastructure requirements for the Granville Precinct**

The Granville Precinct includes a local town centre with the redevelopment proposed to create a new urban plaza and main street. The population growth within the Precinct could be as high as 10,000 residents. In addition, there are other urban renewal projects within the surrounding area such as the Parramatta CBD and the Camellia Urban Renewal Precinct. Although there are seven community facilities within or surrounding the Precinct, additional facilities will be required to accommodate the forecasted growth.

Following recent council boundary changes, the southern portion of Granville is located in the newly formed Cumberland Council and the remaining area is within the City of Parramatta. The most efficient opportunities that exist to provide for new or upgraded community facilities (including library and community centre) to support the significant growth physically sit within the Cumberland Council. The City of Parramatta and Cumberland Councils will need to work together to ensure infrastructure delivery for the new population is planned.

To support the population growth it is recommended that a new multipurpose facility be provided within the Granville Town Centre. Council has acknowledged that planning is underway for the redevelopment of the youth and recreation centre in Memorial Park Granville, so there is the opportunity for this site to be used for this purpose. The multipurpose community centre should be of sufficient size to function as a district level facility with facilities including meeting space, office space, youth facility and a local library. For a facility of such a size, development contributions should be sought from other urban renewal projects in the area.

In regards to library facilities, the Granville Library is located just outside the Precinct across the rail line. Improved pedestrian access to the facility and upgrades will enable the library to service the community in the short to medium term. However, the growth within the precinct will require a larger facility. By incorporating a new library into the proposed multipurpose community centre, the Granville Town Hall and Library will be able to repurposed. Both facilities could be used a community meeting spaces and the Town Hall could provide additional performance space.

Although the area is well served by sport and recreation facilities, not all of these are currently accessible to the public. For example, Granville Park is leased to Parramatta Rugby Union with restricted community access. In the short term an upgrade to Granville Park should be undertaken to enable public access to up to three sports field. Approximately two new sport fields will be required by 2054.

There are relatively few multipurpose courts that service the Precinct and no tennis courts. It is recommended that one multipurpose court and two tennis courts be provided within the Precinct. These could be located within the areas identified for new open space. Alternatively, the proposed courts could be indoor as part of the proposed multipurpose community centre. Given the amount of growth proposed for the area, it is recommended that a recreation needs study be undertaken to identify future recreation trends and assess the capacity of existing facilities to accommodate growth. The study should identify short, medium and long term options for accommodating active recreation needs.

**Table 7: Social infrastructure requirements for the Granville Precinct**

Community Facility Type	Rate of provision	Short term (2016 - 2023)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
Meeting Spaces - Local	Consider increasing capacity of existing spaces or replace existing facilities if not appropriate or develop partnerships to utilise facilities in other ownership The space should be an appropriate size to cater for the population and a range of activities. A minimum size of 60m <sup>2</sup> is recommended for one activity room.	Upgrade or extension to Merrylands Community Centre.	<p>The provision of a new multipurpose community centre to be located within the Granville Town Centre. Council have identified that this could be on the site of the existing Youth and Recreation Centre in Granville. The Centre should be developed as a district level facility with contributions obtained from developments across the surrounding area.</p> <p>Contributions from the Granville Precinct should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least three meeting rooms each with a floor space of at least 60m<sup>2</sup>.</li> <li>• Library floor space of at least 300m<sup>2</sup></li> </ul>
Community centre – district	One centre: 20,001 - 50,000 people The centre should be a minimum of 500m <sup>2</sup> and up to 1,000m <sup>2</sup> in size		
Library	28 m <sup>2</sup> per 1,000 residents	Additional 186m <sup>2</sup> of floor space Extension to Granville Branch Library or a new library in the proposed multipurpose community centre.	
Cultural space	Consider increasing capacity of existing cultural spaces by installing additional features within existing facilities or developing partnerships to utilise facilities in other ownership	Upgrade of cultural facilities within existing centres including the Granville Multicultural Community Centre	Cultural space to be provided. This could be within the new multipurpose community centre, or alternatively could be to support the upgrade of facilities in the Granville Town Hall so that it can be used as a performance space
Childcare	One place for every two children aged 0 to 5 years for residents.	The provision of 266 childcare places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 375 childcare places by the public or private sector.
Outside of school hours (OOSH)	One Before School Care (BSC) place per 17 children 5-11 years	The provision of 31 Before School Care Places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 50 Before School Care Places by the public or private sector.
	One After School Care (ASC) place per five children aged 5-11 years	The provision of 106 After School Care Places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 171 After School Care Places by the public or private sector.
	One Vacation Care (VC) place per seven children aged 5-11 years),	The provision of 76 Vacation Care Places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 122 Vacation Care Places by the public or private sector.
Sports field	One sports ground (comprising two playing	The provision of one sportsground or	The provision of one sportsground

	fields) per 5,000 people (minimum 5 ha) Consider shared used of school sports grounds.	alternatively upgrade Granville Park to facilitate access to an additional three sport fields currently access to this Park is restricted.	
Outdoor sports court	One multipurpose court: 10,000 people Two tennis courts: 10,000 people	One multipurpose court Two tennis courts. These could be provided in the areas proposed for new open space within the Precinct.	Upgrade of new facilities provided.

## 4. Auburn Precinct

The Auburn Precinct is a major employment area on Parramatta Road and a true mixed use area. As well as industrial, commercial and retail uses, Auburn is home to the Auburn Botanic Gardens on the edge of the Duck River and many residential areas housing a diverse population, 60 per cent of whom were born overseas.

Auburn City Council has been merged with part of Parramatta City Council and Holroyd City Council to create the newly formed Cumberland Council. This Council will govern the Auburn Precinct.

### 4.1 The existing and potential future Auburn community

The Auburn community is multicultural with 59% of residents born in non-main English speaking countries in comparison to 26% for the Greater Sydney region. The Auburn population is also younger with a median age of 33 compared to 36 for Greater Sydney. The community also has a significantly lower income \$974 compared to \$1,447 for Greater Sydney. A summary of the key statistics is provided in Table 8. Maps of the census data used for the demographic analysis are provided in Appendix A of Volume One.

**Table 8: Key demographics for existing Auburn Precinct residents**

Area	Median age (years)	Persons born in non-main English-speaking countries	Average household size (number of persons)	Median weekly household income	People with a post-school qualification
Auburn Precinct	33	59%	3.0	\$974	50%
Greater Sydney	36	26%	2.7	\$1,447	60%

The population projections for the Draft Strategy prepared by Cox Richardson Architects for the short term (2016-2023) to medium to longer term (2024-2054), is projected in Table 9.

**Table 9: Population projections for the Auburn Precinct**

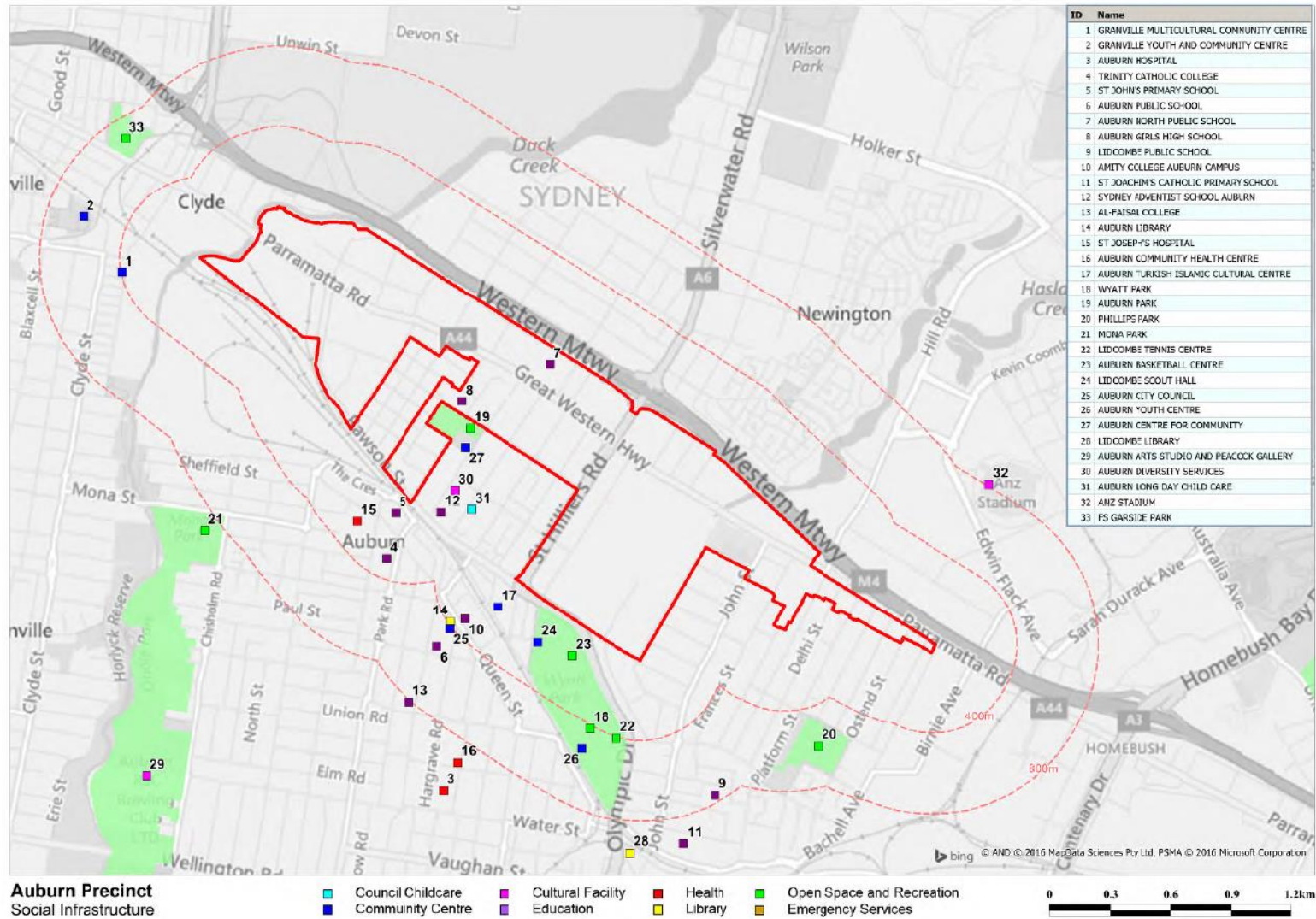
	Short term (2016 - 2023)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
Auburn	2,241	2,241

### 4.2 Analysis of social infrastructure

The following section provides an analysis of the local and district social infrastructure including opportunities that have been identified by the councils.

Figure 3 contains a map of all of the facilities that have been identified through the desktop audit and are including in the following discussion.

Figure 3: Current social infrastructure that services the Auburn Precinct



## 4.2.1 Community centres and meetings spaces

### Existing facilities

There are four Council owned facilities within or in close proximity to the Auburn Precinct that provide services to the existing residents. The facilities include town halls, youth centres and libraries. These are listed in Table 10. The Council facilities are supported by a number of not-for-profit and privately operated facilities and these include the Auburn District Girl Guides, Lidcombe Scout Hall and New South Wales Auburn Turkish Islamic Cultural Centre.

Table 10: Council owned community centres, meeting spaces and libraries that serve the Granville Precinct

Facility name	Type	Facilities	Address
Auburn Centre For Community	Multipurpose community centre	Main hall (capacity 100) Multipurpose room (capacity 60) Computer/training room (capacity for up 16) Lounge area (capacity for 10) Youth space (capacity for 25) Outdoor BBQ & grassed area Commercial kitchen	Cnr Macquarie and Hutchinson Road, Auburn, NSW 2144
Auburn Town Hall	Town hall	Auburn Town Hall Auditorium with adjacent community space (Exhibition Gallery) and meeting room (the Sommerville Room)	1 Susan Street, Auburn, NSW, 2144
Auburn Youth Centre	Youth centre	Meeting rooms	Wyatt Park, Church Street, Lidcombe
Auburn City Library	Library	Meeting rooms	Civic Place, 1 Susan Street, Auburn

### Opportunities

Within the *Draft Auburn City Community Facilities Strategy 2014-2024*, Council has identified opportunities within existing sites that could provide additional community use. These include:

- Upgrade of the office space and auditorium within the former Community Health Centre in Auburn, located within the Precinct.
- Redevelopment of the former Lidcombe RSL as a multipurpose community centre.

More recent advice from Council has acknowledge that the Auburn Community Health Centre will be demolished, there is therefore an opportunity to provide a new facility on the existing site. Plans for the site are still to be determined by Council.

## 4.2.2 Libraries

### Existing facilities

Auburn Central Library is located within Auburn Precinct at 1 Susan Street, Auburn. The library is well utilised with approximately 311,483 visitors in 2013. The Lidcombe library is located just outside the Precinct at Bridge Street, Lidcombe, this library is a branch facility with smaller capacity. In 2013 it had approximately 57,251 visitors.

## Opportunities identified by Council

Additional library facilities will be required to accommodate the future population of the Auburn Precinct. Opportunities for upgrades to existing facilities as identified within the *Draft Auburn City Community Facilities Strategy 2014-2024* include:

- Expansion of Auburn Central Library.
- Providing a new library in Lidcombe as part of a new multipurpose community centre at the former Lidcombe RSL site.

### 4.2.3 Cultural Facilities

#### Existing facilities

Cumberland Council operates the Peacock Gallery and Auburn Arts studio located just outside the Auburn Precinct within the Auburn Botanic Gardens. These facilities comprise of two gallery spaces and an artists' studio. Some of the local facilities listed in Table 10 provide spaces for cultural activities. These include Auburn Centre for Community, Auburn Town Hall, New South Wales Auburn Turkish Islamic Cultural Centre and Auburn Diversity Services.

#### Opportunities

The *Draft Auburn City Community Facilities Strategy 2014 – 2024* has recommended the upgrade of facilities within the Peacock Gallery and Auburn Arts Studio. These could include converting the Bonsai Garden Area adjoining the Peacock Gallery and Auburn Arts Studio into a permanent covered outdoor function and cultural space.

A pre-planning proposal was submitted to Auburn Council in March 2016 for the development of an Arts Precinct on the former Harvey Norman Site on the corner of Parramatta Road and St Hilliers Road. The proposal includes provision of artist studios, art gallery and performance space.

The newly formed Cumberland Council provides additional opportunities for a regional gallery and multi-arts space to be incorporated into the multipurpose community centre within the Granville Precinct. Facilities could include galleries with permanent or temporary exhibitions, spaces for performance and workshops, production and rehearsal space. While contributions can be sought from development within the Auburn and Granville Precincts, other urban renewal projects should also make contributions so that the facility can be developed as a district level facility. Plans for community facilities will be determined by Council in the development of *The Cumberland Community Facilities Strategy 2017*.

### 4.2.4 Childcare and Out of School Hours Care

#### Existing facilities

The majority of childcare providers within the Auburn LGA are owned and operated by private providers. Cumberland Council operates occasional and long daycare at the Auburn Long Day Care Centre. All primary schools listed in Table 5311.1.1 provide OOSH services.

**Table 11: Council operated childcare centres within 1km of the Auburn Precinct**

Centre	Age	Address	Number of places
Auburn Long Day Child Care Centre	0-5 years	17 Northumberland Rd, Auburn 2144	48

#### Opportunities

In 2013, Council undertook a *Childcare Needs Assessment Survey* to determine the current and future demand for childcare services in the Auburn LGA. At the time, Auburn City had only 717 licensed places for 6,631 children (0 to 5 years) (10.8%) highlighting a significant level of under provision.

The *Auburn City Community Facilities Strategy 2014 – 2024* has stated that there is a plan to expand the Auburn Long Day Child Care Centre to allow for the additional provision of 60 places. There is also the opportunity for a new childcare centre to be provided in the multipurpose community centre that is proposed for the Lidcombe RSL.

#### 4.2.5 Sportsground and recreation facilities

##### Existing facilities

The Cumberland Council LGA includes the Sydney Olympic Park Area (although the area is managed by the Sydney Olympic Park Authority). This enables residents to access a number of world class facilities such as Acer Arena, ANZ Stadium, the Aquatic Centre, the Millennium Parklands and the Sydney Showground. These facilities are regional facilities and provide services to broader Sydney. Facilities that cater to the needs of the local population are also required.

There are two district level parks located just outside the Auburn Precinct. Mona Park, which is one of the largest parks in the western part of Auburn, is located approximately 950m from the Auburn Precinct. Mona Park has four playing fields and has floodlighting. Wyatt Park is located approximately 1 km from the Parramatta Road corridor and includes two sports fields.

At the local level there are three areas of public open space within an 800m catchment of the Precinct as well as a number of private facilities including the Auburn Basketball Centre, Lidcombe Tennis Centre and a shooting gallery. A summary of the facilities across all of the recreation areas is provided in Table 12. The table has been based on a desktop review of existing facilities. As acknowledged in Volume One, a more detailed Recreation Needs Assessment is required to investigate how the existing facilities are currently used as well as recreation trends within the LGA that will influence future provision.

**Table 12: Summary of recreation facilities within Auburn Precinct**

Facility type	Sport type	Number of facilities
Sportsfields	Rugby field (including cricket/AFL)	2
	Soccer fields	3
	Cricket oval	1
Courts	Full basketball court	3
	Tennis	7

##### Opportunities identified by Council

Although located just outside of the 800m catchment area for the Auburn Precinct, the Ruth Everuss Aquatic Centre will provide aquatic facilities to residents within the Precinct. This facility is currently being redeveloped into a larger facility including the provision of a 50m outdoor pool, a 30m x 25m outdoor water polo pool, an outdoor children's interactive water play shaded pool, air-conditioned indoor 25m pool, family leisure pool and program pool. It is anticipated that the redevelopment will be completed by October 2016.

Cumberland Council has recognized that a significant upgrade is required for Wyatt Park. Council will prepare a master plan for the Park that will guide the upgrade. Auburn Park is currently being upgraded and will include a half basketball court.

Wyatt Park is also located just outside the Precinct, however it is accessible as a district level facility for residents and businesses along the Parramatta Road corridor. Cumberland Council will shortly prepare a master plan for the Park which will guide the upgrade.

Volume One discusses the challenge of providing open space within the Parramatta Road Corridor, particularly to provide for active recreation requirements. Indoor sport and recreation facilities is one option for providing additional recreation facilities without requiring significant areas of open space. Cumberland Council has identified that there is an opportunity for such a facility to be provided on the corner of Silverwater and Parramatta Road. Council has suggested that the facility be similar to the Five Dock sport and leisure centre. The Recreation Needs Study suggested as a Next Step in Volume One could assist with further identifying the potential for this site.

### 4.3 Social infrastructure requirements for the Auburn Precinct

The Auburn Precinct is located close to the Auburn Town Centre, towards the southern end of the Precinct. There are number of facilities within the Town Centre that are well utilised by the community and these include the Auburn Library and Auburn Civic Centre. The Auburn Centre for Community located just outside the town centre but within the Auburn Precinct is also well utilised.

There is a high level of demand for community facilities within Auburn and this is acknowledged within the various Council policies and planning documents. Development within the area will place further pressure on these facilities. However, there are number of opportunistic sites that could be redeveloped for community use, these sites include; the former Auburn Community Health Centre and the Lidcombe RSL. In addition, the multipurpose community centre proposed in the Granville Precinct, provides an opportunity for district level facilities that can cater for residents in Auburn. These facilities could include a regional gallery and multi-arts space or a youth facility.

Although the Auburn Precinct is in close proximity to Sydney Olympic Park, these facilities are of a regional scale and not always available for local residents. It is therefore important that sufficient local facilities are provided. The population would generate the need for an additional sports field and upgrades to other facilities within the Precinct. Council has identified that Wyatt Park will be upgraded so there are opportunities for upgrades within the Park. In addition, there is the potential for additional recreation facilities to be provided in an indoor sports centre and Council has identified a site on Silverwater Road for these purposes. A recreation needs assessment of the area would assist in determining the recreation requirements of the future population as well as identifying suitable sites for new facilities.

**Table 13: Summary of social Infrastructure required for the Auburn Precinct**

Community Facility Type	Rate of provision	Short term need (2016 – 2021)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
<b>Meeting Spaces - Local</b>	Consider increasing capacity of existing spaces or replace existing facilities if not appropriate or develop partnerships to utilise facilities in other ownership  The space should be an appropriate size to cater for the population and a range of activities. A minimum size of 60m <sup>2</sup> is recommended for one activity room.	Increase capacity of existing space such as the Auburn Centre for Community. This could be in the form of a contribution for an additional multipurpose space.	Additional floor space to the proposed multipurpose community centre in the Granville Precinct - approx. 100m <sup>2</sup> .
<b>Community centre – district</b>	One centre: 20,001 - 50,000 people  The centre should be a minimum of 500m <sup>2</sup> and		

Community Facility Type	Rate of provision	Short term need (2016 – 2021)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
	up to 1,000m <sup>2</sup> in size		
<b>Library</b>	28 m <sup>2</sup> per 1,000 residents	Expansion of Auburn Central Library of approximately 62m <sup>2</sup> of floor space or as determined by the community facility audit.	Additional 63m <sup>2</sup> of new floor space to a new library either in the proposed Lidcombe multipurpose community centre or the relocation of the Granville Library
<b>Cultural space</b>	Consider increasing capacity of existing cultural spaces by installing additional features within existing facilities or developing partnerships to utilise facilities in other ownership.	Enhancement or upgrade of facilities at the Peacock Gallery and Auburn Arts Studio - approx. 100m <sup>2</sup> . To be determined by the community facilities audit.	The provision of one cultural space or two artist studios, these could be within a new facility such as the proposed multipurpose community centre in Granville.
<b>Childcare</b>	One place for every two children aged 0 to 5 years for residents.	The provision of 90 places to be provided by the public and private sector.	The provision of 90 places to be provided by the public and private sector.
<b>Outside of school hours (OOSH)</b>	One Before School Care (BSC) place per 17 children 5-11 years	The provision of 11 Before School Care Places to be provided by the public and private sector.	The provision of 11 Before School Care Places to be provided by the public and private sector.
	One After School Care (ASC) place per five children aged 5-11 years	The provision of 36 After School Care Places to be provided by the public and private sector.	The provision of 36 After School Care Places to be provided by the public and private sector.
	One Vacation Care (VC) place per seven children aged 5-11 years),	The provision of 26 Vacation Care Places to be provided by the public and private sector.	The provision of 26 Vacation Care Places to be provided by the public and private sector.
<b>Sportsground</b>	One sports ground (comprising two playing fields) per 5,000 people (minimum 5 ha) Consider shared used of school sports grounds.	Upgrade of Auburn Park.	Provision of one sportsground, this could be within the upgraded Wyatt Park or as a contribution to the development of an indoor sport facility.
<b>Outdoor sports court</b>	One multipurpose court: 10,000 people Two tennis courts: 10,000 people	Partnership to upgrade facilities within private facilities such as the Auburn Basketball Centre or the Lidcombe Tennis Centre to encourage greater	The provision of facilities within an indoor sports centre.

Community Facility Type	Rate of provision	Short term need (2016 – 2021)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
		public access.	

## 5. Homebush Precinct

Homebush is a mix of old and new, with a rich heritage that includes a theatre, inter-war commercial buildings and Federation houses, as well newer developments such as office and business park-type areas, industrial sites and new apartment buildings. Residents have access to five rail stations; jobs at Sydney Olympic Park, Burwood, Parramatta and Sydney CBD; world-class sporting facilities and green spaces at Sydney Olympic Park. The Bakehouse Quarter around George Street is a thriving entertainment and lifestyle area.

The Homebush Precinct is currently divided between Strathfield Municipal Council, City of Canada Bay Council and Burwood Municipal Council. Under the Fit for the Future Council amalgamations these three Councils may be merged into one council.

### 5.1 The existing and potential future Homebush community

The Homebush community is multicultural with 50% of residents born in non-main English speaking countries in comparison to 26% for the Greater Sydney region. The Homebush population is also younger with a median age of 30 compared to 36 for Greater Sydney. A summary of the key statistics is provided in Table 14. Maps of the census data used for the demographic analysis are provided in Appendix A of Volume One.

Table 14: Key demographics for existing Homebush Precinct residents

Area	Median age (years)	Persons born in non-main English-speaking countries	Average household size (number of persons)	Median weekly household income	People with a post-school qualification
Homebush Precinct	30	50%	2.7	\$1,487	69%
Greater Sydney	36	26%	2.7	\$1,447	60%

The population projections for the Draft Strategy prepared by Cox Richardson Architects for the short term (2016-2023) to medium to longer term (2024-2054), is provided in Table 15.

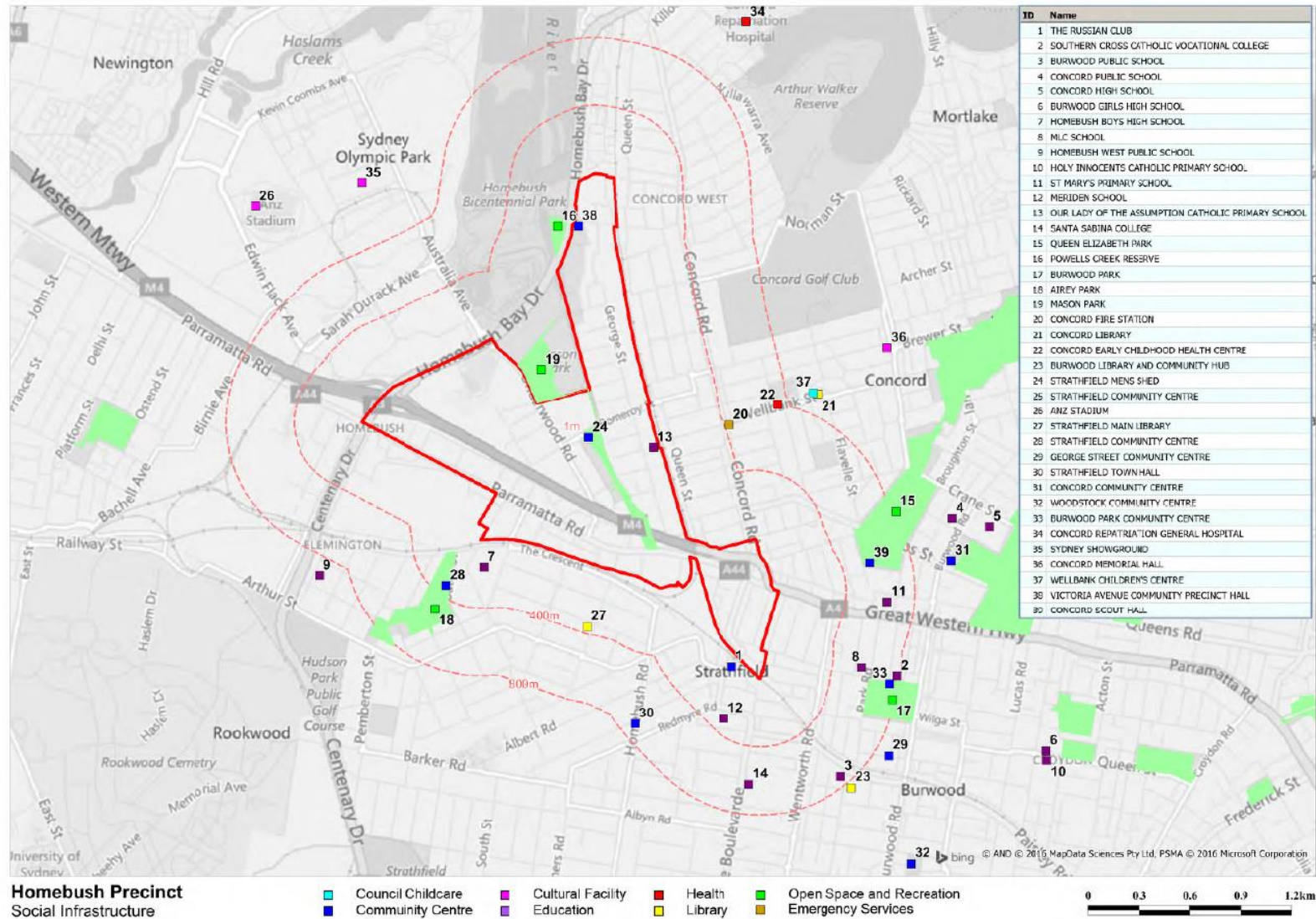
Table 15: Population projections for the Homebush Precinct

	Short term (2016 - 2023)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
Homebush	8,310	19,753

### 5.2 Analysis of social infrastructure

The following section provides an analysis of the local and district social infrastructure including opportunities that have been identified by the Councils. Figure 4 contains a map of all of the facilities that have been identified through the desktop audit and are including in the following discussion.

Figure 4: Current social infrastructure that services the Homebush Precinct



## 5.2.1 Community centres and meetings spaces

### Existing facilities

There are nine Council owned facilities within or in close proximity to the Homebush Precinct that provide services to the existing residents. Four of these facilities are operated by Strathfield Council, two of these facilities are operated by Canada Bay and three of these facilities are operated by Burwood Council. In accordance with Fit for the Future, these three Councils will merge resulting in all of the facilities being operated by the one Council. The facilities include town halls, youth centres and libraries and are listed in Table 106. The Council facilities are supported by a number of not-for-profit and privately operated facilities and these include the Victoria Avenue Community Precinct Hall and The Russian Club.

**Table 16: Council owned community centres, meeting spaces and libraries that serve the Homebush Precinct**

Facility name	Type	Facilities	Address
Strathfield Community Centre	Community Centre	The Community Centre can be used for a range of activities including meetings, community and recreational activities.	1B Bates Street, Homebush
Strathfield Men's Shed	Mens shed	Wednesdays and Saturdays between 10am and 4pm	28 Pomeroy Street North Strathfield
Strathfield Main Library	Library	One large meeting room and three small interview rooms	65-67 Rochester Street, Homebush
Strathfield Town Hall	Town Hall	Strathfield Town Hall complex has a hall, supper room, kitchen and stage (including dressing rooms).	65 Homebush Road, Strathfield
Concord Community Centre	Community centre	The Community Centre includes two function areas and a kitchen. The facility has a capacity for 150 people.	1A Gibbs Street, Concord
Concord Library	Library	Two meeting rooms	60 Flavelle Street, Concord
George Street Community Centre	Community centre	Meeting room	Cnr of George Street and Elsie Street
Burwood Park Community Centre	Community centre	Medium size hall (suitable for up to 60 people)	Comer Street, Burwood
Burwood Library and Community Hub	Library	200 seat auditorium Three meetings rooms	corner of Railway Parade and Conder Street

### Opportunities

All three Councils have acknowledged the need for additional community facilities within various planning documents and have started to identify potential opportunities for either expanding the capacity of existing facilities, or providing new facilities through potential land acquisitions.

Table 17 provides a summary of potential opportunities identified by the Councils. Developing partnerships with the not for profit and private providers of community facilities would also provide additional opportunities for the use of community spaces.

**Table 17: Community infrastructure proposals suggested by Councils**

Proposal	Location	Document
<i>Strathfield Municipal Council</i>		
Development of a new multi-	Courallie Avenue – site to	Strathfield Council's Direct Development

purpose community centre, approximately 125m <sup>2</sup> .	be identified and acquired by Council	Contributions Plan 2010 – 2030 (2010)
Development of a new multi-purpose community centre, approximately 200m <sup>2</sup>	Parramatta Road Precinct Multi-Purpose Centre – site to be identified and acquired by Council	Strathfield Council's Direct Development Contributions Plan 2010 – 2030 (2010)
<i>City of Canada Bay Council</i>		
Redevelop as multipurpose facility co-locating community services. Retain one function/hall space.	Concord Community Centre	City of Canada Bay Community Facilities Resourcing Strategy (2011) City of Canada Bay S94 Development Contributions Plan (2015)
<i>Burwood Council</i>		
Provide indoor community facility floor space in Burwood Park to provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shared space for playgroups, children's parties, and youth programs</li> <li>• Storage space to support multiple uses</li> <li>• Space to support set up and delivery of community and Council events held in the park</li> <li>• Disabled toilets</li> </ul> Options include either upgrading the existing facility or building a new small facility connected to the tennis courts and/or café.	Burwood Park	Burwood-Concord Community Facilities and Open Space Strategy (2014)
Manage and promote George Street Community Venue as a community and Council space including for Council programs and exhibition space	George Street Community Centre	Burwood-Concord Community Facilities and Open Space Strategy (2014)

## 5.2.2 Libraries

### Existing facilities

There are three libraries that operate within a 1km radius of the Homebush Precinct, as identified in Table 16. They include Strathfield Main Library, Concord Library, and Burwood Library and Community Hub. All of the libraries are the main central libraries for each of the LGAs. The Burwood Library and Community Hub is the newest facility and opened in 2014. The Community Hub includes a 200 seat auditorium with audio-visual technology as well as three meeting rooms. The Strathfield Library was upgraded in 2004 with additional floor space, as a result of this recent expansion this facility may be at capacity not able to accommodate any further growth.

## 5.2.3 Cultural facilities

### Existing facilities

The Homebush Precinct is in close proximity to Sydney Olympic Park which includes a number of regional cultural facilities including:

- Newington Armory and Amphitheatre
- ANZ Stadium
- Sydney Showground.

At the local level, the majority of community facilities within a 1km radius of the Homebush Precinct are multipurpose with facilities to cater for cultural activities, for example the Burwood Library includes a 200 seat auditorium. The Victoria Avenue Community Precinct Hall provides a facility for shows and performances.

## Opportunities

Some of the Councils have identified facilities that have the potential to accommodate cultural facilities they include:

- The Concord Memorial Hall, which is located just outside of the Homebush Precinct, has been recommended within the *City of Canada Bay Community Facilities Resourcing Strategy (2011)* to be rebranded as a cultural facility.
- The Burwood-Concord Community Hub and the George Street Community Centre could provide a space for Community and Council exhibitions as recommended within the *Burwood-Concord Community Facilities and Open Space Strategy (2014)*.

### 5.2.4 Childcare and Out of School Hours Care

#### Existing facilities

The majority of childcare providers within the Strathfield and Canada Bay LGAs are owned and operated by private operators. Strathfield Council operates three facilities and City of Canada Bay Council operates two facilities within a 1km radius of the Homebush Precinct. These facilities are listed in Table 18. All primary schools listed in Table 53 provide OOSH services.

**Table 18: Council operated childcare centres within 1km of the Homebush Precinct**

Centre	Age	Address	Number of places
Strathfield One Stop Child Care Services	6 weeks to 6 years	Fraser Street, Strathfield	85
Kuralee Childrens Centre	6 weeks to 6 years	52 Hampstead Road, Homebush West	59
Strathfield Sessional Preschool	3-5 years	1A Bates Street, Homebush	46
Victoria Avenue Children's Centre	6 weeks to pre-school age	64 Victoria Avenue, Concord West	47
Wellbank Children's Centre	6 weeks to 6 years	60 Flavelle St, Concord	51

#### Opportunities

According to the *City Of Canada Bay Community Facilities Resourcing Strategy (2011)* there is a current undersupply of 60 childcare places in the LGA and this will increase to 706 places by 2031. The demand is demonstrated by the waiting list at Council's Wellbank Children Centre that currently has 200 names.

The Victoria Avenue Children's Centre was developed by City of Canada Bay Council in partnership with the DET as part of the Victoria Avenue Public School. This model has been successful in delivering a new public school as well as a range of community facilities and services. There is the opportunity for a similar partnership to be undertaken if there is the development of a new school within the Precinct. This new school should include a childcare facility.

Strathfield Council has plans to upgrade the Strathfield One Stop Child Care Services facility that is located within Airey Park. According to Strathfield Council's *Direct Development Contributions Plan 2010 – 2030 (2010)*, the facility will be upgraded to include additional floor space for before and after school care facilities.

## 5.2.5 Sportsground and recreation facilities

### Existing facilities

The Homebush Precinct is in close proximity to the Sydney Olympic Park Area. This enables residents to access a number of world class facilities such as Acer Arena, ANZ Stadium, the Aquatic Centre, the Millennium Parklands and the Sydney Showground. These facilities are regional facilities and provide services to broader Sydney, facilities that cater to the needs of the local population are also required.

There are six areas of public open space within an 800m catchment of the Precinct and these include Mason Park and Queen Elizabeth Park. Both of these parks have three sporting fields each and are widely used.

Mona Park is one of the largest parks in the western part of Auburn. The park is the premier venue within the local government area for cricket. There are number of private facilities in close proximity to the Precinct including the Auburn Basketball Centre and Lidcombe Tennis Centre. A summary of the facilities across all of the recreation areas is provided in Table 12. The table has been based on a desktop review of existing facilities. As acknowledged in Volume One, a more detailed Recreation Needs Assessment is required to investigate how the existing facilities are currently used as well as recreation trends within the LGA that will influence future provision.

**Table 19: Summary of recreation facilities within Homebush Precinct**

Facility type	Sport type	Number of facilities
Sportsfields	Rugby field (including cricket/AFL)	5
	Soccer fields	8
Courts	Tennis	6

## 5.3 Recommendations for the Homebush Precinct

Homebush will provide high-density housing and a mix of different uses, taking advantage of its access to four train stations, Sydney Olympic Park and open spaces. The population growth within the Precinct is significant accommodating approximately 43% of the growth within the Parramatta Road Corridor. The Bakehouse Quarter is located in the middle of the Homebush Precinct and it is anticipated that this will function as the local town centre.

Although there are nine Council owned facilities within or in close proximity to the Homebush Precinct that provide services to the existing residents. Additional facilities will be required to accommodate growth within the Precinct. Strathfield Council has acknowledged that new facilities are required and have plans to develop a community centre just outside the Precinct on Courallie Avenue. This could provide some assistance in meeting the needs of the community in the short to medium term. An audit of existing council facilities would assist in identifying opportunities for upgrade or expansion of these facilities.

The population projected for the Precinct will support the provision of a multipurpose community centre and this should be located within the Bakehouse Quarter. The facility could also incorporate the Strathfield Mens Shed which is in poor condition and located just outside of the Bakehouse Quarter. The community centre should also include cultural facilities such as artist studio or even a small performance space.

Although there are three libraries in relatively close proximity to the Precinct, these facilities have limited opportunities for expansion to accommodate growth within the Precinct. The proposed multipurpose community centre could also include space for a branch library.

The Homebush Precinct will generate the need for additional recreation facilities. If land is not available then the multipurpose courts could be provided as indoor facilities, perhaps incorporated into the

multipurpose community centre. A recreation needs assessment of the area would assist in determining the recreation requirements of the future population as well as identifying suitable sites for new facilities.

**Table 20: Summary of social Infrastructure required for the Homebush Precinct**

Community Facility Type	Rate of provision	Short term need (2016 – 2021)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
Meeting Spaces - Local	Consider increasing capacity of existing spaces or replace existing facilities if not appropriate or develop partnerships to utilise facilities in other ownership The space should be an appropriate size to cater for the population and a range of activities. A minimum size of 60m <sup>2</sup> is recommended for one activity room.	Enhancement or extension of an existing facility to be determined by a community facilities audit.	Development of a new multipurpose community centre within the centre of the Homebush Precinct near the Bakehouse Quarter. The facility should have sufficient space for at least two meeting rooms, with a total floor area of 120m <sup>2</sup> .
Community centre – district	One centre: 20,001 - 50,000 people The centre should be a minimum of 500m <sup>2</sup> and up to 1,000m <sup>2</sup> in size		
Libraries	28 m <sup>2</sup> per 1,000 residents	Additional 118m <sup>2</sup> of floor space. This could be provided within an existing facility either Strathfield, Concord or Burwood.	Development of a new library within the Bakehouse Quarter. To be 548m <sup>2</sup> .
Cultural space	Consider increasing capacity of existing cultural spaces by installing additional features within existing facilities or developing partnerships to utilise facilities in other ownership	The provision of exhibition space/facilities within the Burwood Community Hub and George Street Community Centre	The provision of cultural facilities within the proposed Bakehouse quarter community centre
Childcare	One place for every two children aged 0 to 5 years for residents.	The provision of 332 places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 691 places by the public or private sector.
Outside of school hours (OOSH)	One Before School Care (BSC) place per 17 children 5-11 years	The provision of 39 Before School Care Places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 93 Before School Care places by the public or private sector.
	One After School Care (ASC) place per five children aged 5-11 years	The provision of 133 After School Care places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 316 After School Care places by the public or private sector.
	One Vacation Care (VC) place per seven children aged 5-11 years),	The provision of 95 Vacation Care places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 226 Vacation Care places by the public or private sector.
Sportsground	One sports ground (comprising two playing	One sportsground	One sportsground (local facility) and one double

Community Facility Type	Rate of provision	Short term need (2016 – 2021)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
	fields) per 5,000 people (minimum 5 ha) Consider shared used of school sports grounds.	(two playing fields)	sportsground (district level facility)
Outdoor sports court	One multipurpose court: 10,000 people Two tennis courts: 10,000 people	Upgrade of existing facilities.	Two multipurpose court Four tennis courts

## 6. Burwood-Concord Precinct

The Burwood-Concord Precinct is a northern extension of the Burwood Town Centre, which is a major hub with a shopping centre, main street shops, a transport interchange, higher density housing and a beautiful city park. Its many transport options provide great access to Sydney Olympic Park, Parramatta CBD and Sydney CBD. In other parts of the Precinct, heritage houses, schools and corner stores show how the area has changed over time. Large areas of parkland are scattered throughout the Precinct's north.

Governance of the Burwood-Concord Precinct is currently divided between Burwood Council and the City of Canada Bay Council. Under the Fit for the Future Council amalgamations, these two Councils will be merged with Strathfield Municipal Council to form a new Council.

### 6.1 The existing and potential future Burwood-Concord community

The Burwood-Concord community profile is comparative with the averages for the Greater Sydney Region. The Community is more multicultural with 44% of residents born in non-main English speaking countries in comparison to 26% for the Greater Sydney region. A summary of the key statistics is provided in Table 21. Maps of the census data used for the demographic analysis are provided in Appendix A of Volume One.

**Table 21: Key demographics for existing Burwood-Concord Precinct residents**

Area	Median age (years)	Persons born in non-main English-speaking countries	Average household size (number of persons)	Median weekly household income	People with a post-school qualification
Burwood-Concord Precinct	37	44%	2.8	\$1,331	59%
Greater Sydney	36	26%	2.7	\$1,447	60%

The population projections for the Draft Strategy prepared by Cox Richardson Architects for the short term (2016-2023) to medium to longer term (2024-2054), are projected in Table 22.

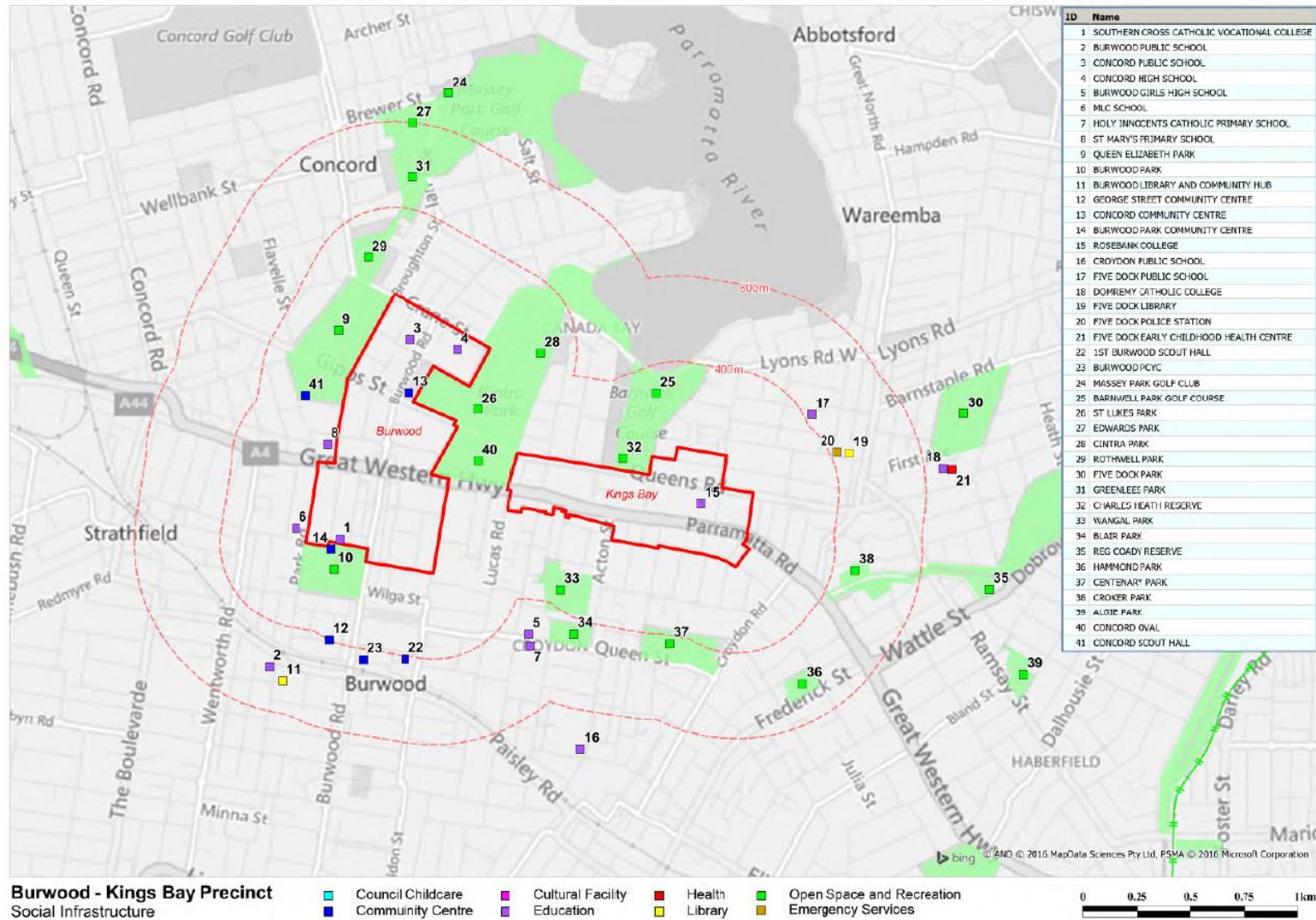
**Table 22: Population projections for the Burwood-Concord Precinct**

	Short term (2016 - 2023)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
Burwood-Concord	7,020	11,426

### 6.2 Analysis of social infrastructure

The following section provides an analysis of the local and district social infrastructure including opportunities that have been identified by the Councils. Figure 5 contains a map of all of the facilities that have been identified through the desktop audit and are including in the following discussion.

Figure 5: Current social infrastructure that services the Burwood-Concord Precinct



## 6.2.1 Community centres and meetings spaces

### Existing facilities

There are six Council owned facilities within or in close proximity to the Burwood-Concord Precinct that provide services to the existing residents. Two of these facilities are operated by Canada Bay and four of these facilities are operated by Burwood Council. In accordance with Fit for the Future, these two Councils will merge resulting in all of the facilities being operated by the one Council. The facilities include town halls, youth centres and libraries and are listed in Table 23. The Council facilities are supported by a number of not-for-profit and privately operated facilities and these include the Concord Scout Hall, 1st Burwood Scout Hall and Burwood PCYC.

**Table 23: Council owned community centres, meeting spaces and libraries within a 1km radius of Burwood-Concord Precinct**

Facility name	Type	Facilities	Address
<i>Canada Bay Council facilities</i>			
Concord Community Centre	Community centre	The Community Centre includes two function areas and a kitchen. The facility has a capacity for 150 people.	1A Gibbs Street
Concord Library	Library	Two meeting rooms	60 Flavelle Street
<i>Burwood Council Facilities</i>			
George Street Community Centre	Community centre	Meeting room	Cnr of George Street & Elsie Streets
Burwood Park Community Centre	Community centre	Medium size hall (suitable for up to 60 people)	Comer Street
Woodstock Community Centre	Community centre	Four meeting rooms One conference room One ball room	22 Church Street
Burwood Library and Community Hub	Library	200 Seat Auditorium Three Meetings rooms	Corner of Railway Parade & Conder Streets

### Opportunities

Both Councils have acknowledged the need for additional community facilities within various planning documents and have started to identify potential opportunities for either expanding the capacity of existing facilities, or providing new facilities through potential land acquisitions. Table 24 provides a summary of potential opportunities identified by the Councils. Developing partnerships with the not for profit and private providers of community facilities would also provide additional opportunities for the use of community spaces.

**Table 24: Community infrastructure proposals suggested by Councils**

Proposal	Location	Document
<p>Redevelop as multipurpose facility co-locating community services.</p> <p>Retain one function/hall space.</p>	Concord Community Centre	<p>City of Canada Bay Community Facilities Resourcing Strategy (2011)</p> <p>City of Canada Bay S94 Development Contributions Plan (2015)</p>

Provide indoor community facility floor space in Burwood Park to provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shared space for playgroups, children’s parties, and youth programs</li> <li>• Storage space to support multiple uses</li> </ul>	Burwood Park	Burwood Community Facilities and Open Space Strategy (2014)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Space to support set up and delivery of community and Council events held in the park</li> <li>• Disabled toilets</li> </ul> Options include either upgrading existing facility or building a new small facility connected to the tennis courts and/or café.		
Manage and promote George Street Community Venue as a community and Council space including for Council programs and exhibition space	George Street Community Centre	Burwood Community Facilities and Open Space Strategy (2014)
Upgrade and promote Woodstock Community Centre and Fitzroy Hall as a community facility and function facility. Utilise collected funds to upgrade the facility as a vibrant multipurpose space (see Melbourne’s Boyd Community Centre) which can also be used for private functions.	Woodstock Community Centre and Fitzroy Hall	Burwood Community Facilities and Open Space Strategy (2014)

## 6.2.2 Libraries

### Existing facilities

There are two libraries that operate within a 1km radius of the Burwood-Concord Precinct, as identified in Table 23, they include Concord Library and the Burwood Library and Community Hub. Both libraries are the main central libraries for each of the LGAs. The Burwood Library and Community Hub is the newest facility and opened in 2014. The Community Hub includes a 200 seat auditorium with audio-visual technology as well as three meeting rooms.

## 6.2.3 Cultural facilities

### Existing facilities

The Burwood-Concord Precinct is able to access the regional cultural facilities provided within Sydney Olympic Park these include:

- Newington Armoury and Amphitheatre
- ANZ Stadium
- Sydney Showground

At the local level, the majority of community facilities within a 1km radius of the Burwood-Concord Precinct are multipurpose with facilities to cater for cultural activities, for example the Burwood Library includes a 200 seat auditorium.

### Opportunities

Some of the Councils have identified facilities that have the potential to accommodate these needs, they include:

- The Concord Memorial Hall, which is located just outside of the Homebush Precinct, has been recommended within the City of Canada Bay Community Facilities Resourcing Strategy (2011) to be rebranded as a cultural facility.
- The Burwood Community Hub and the George Street Community Centre could provide a space for Community and Council exhibitions as recommended within the Burwood Community Facilities and Open Space Strategy (2014)
- The relocation of the Concord Community Centre could provide an opportunity to provide additional cultural activities such as an exhibition space or an art facility.

#### 6.2.4 Childcare and Out of School Hours Care

##### Existing facilities

The majority of childcare providers within the Canada Bay and Burwood LGAs are owned and operated by private operators. The City of Canada Bay Council operates the Wellbank Children’s Centre as part of the Concord Community Complex which is located within the 1km radius of the Burwood-Concord Precinct. With regards to Out of School Hours Care, all of the primary schools, listed in Table 53 provide OOSH services.

**Table 25: Council run childcare centres within 1km of Burwood-Concord Precinct**

Centre	Age	Address	Number of places
<i>City of Canada Bay Council</i>			
Wellbank Children's Centre	6 weeks to 6 years	60 Flavelle Street Concord	51

##### Opportunities

According to the *City Of Canada Bay Community Facilities Resourcing Strategy (2011)* there is a current undersupply of 60 childcare places in the LGA and this will increase to 706 places by 2031. The demand is demonstrated by the waiting list at Council’s Wellbank Children Centre that currently has 200 names.

Burwood LGA currently has sufficient provision of childcare places, according to the *Burwood-Concord Community Facilities and Open Space Strategy (2014)*, however the Strategy estimates that by 2031 there will be a gap of 405 places.

#### 6.2.5 Sportsground and recreation facilities

##### Existing facilities

The Burwood-Concord Precinct is adjacent to a number of key open space and recreation sites within the corridor these include Queen Elizabeth Park, St Luke’s Park and Burwood Park. Within a 1km radius of the Burwood Concord Precinct there are 14 recreation areas, which cater to a wide variety of sport activities. A summary of the facilities across all of the recreation areas is provided in Table 26. The table has been based on a desktop review of existing facilities. As acknowledged in Volume One, a more detailed Recreation Needs Assessment is required to investigate how the existing facilities are currently used as well as recreation trends within the LGA that will influence future provision.

**Table 26: Summary of recreation facilities within Burwood-Concord Precinct**

Facility type	Sport type	Number of facilities
Sportsfields	Rugby field (including cricket/AFL)	8
	Soccer fields	1
	Athletics track	1
Courts	Half basketball court	1
	Full basketball court	2
	Badminton	2
	Indoor soccer	2
	Volleyball	2
	Tennis	20
	Netball	32
Outdoor youth recreation facility	Skate park	1

### Opportunities identified by Council

The City of Canada Bay has commissioned Clouston Associates to prepare the Concord Community and Recreation Precinct Strategy. The purpose of the Strategy is develop a staged masterplan that will deliver community and recreation facilities over a 20 year timeframe. The Strategy includes in its assessment the following facilities:

- Concord community centre
- Concord Oval
- St Luke's Playing Fields
- Cintra Park Hockey, Tennis Club and Netball Courts
- St Luke's North
- Five Dock Leisure Centre
- Barnwell Park Golf Course

Other more immediate works proposed by the Councils to improve facilities within the existing parks include:

- Blair Park - Investigate opportunities to replace grass playing fields with multipurpose synthetic playing fields.
- Burwood Park - Refurbish the Burwood Park tennis courts as multipurpose courts and lease management of courts and café to private operator.

### 6.3 Recommendations for the Burwood-Concord Precinct

With good access to transport and employment opportunities, revitalisation of the Burwood-Concord Precinct will support growth in the existing Burwood Town. The Burwood-Concord Precinct is centrally located to community facilities within the Burwood Town Centre as well as the Concord Community Centre.

Canada Bay Council has commenced the preparation of a Concord Community and Recreation Precinct that will involve the relocation of the Concord Community Centre making more efficient use of facilities within the LGA. Growth in the Parramatta Corridor particularly in the Burwood-Concord and Kings Bay Precinct will support the community and recreation infrastructure that has been proposed. Facilities generated from the population within the Burwood-Concord Precinct that could be provided within the Concord Community and Recreation Precinct include, community meeting spaces, library, cultural facilities and even recreation facilities. The Precinct will assist in meeting the needs of the future community in the medium to long term.

The Burwood-Concord Precinct is in close proximity to six Council owned facilities. In the short term opportunities to upgrade or expand these existing facilities should be explored. A community facility audit that investigates the condition, use and development opportunities for each of the sites should be undertaken to ascertain the potential these facilities have to meet the needs of the future community.

**Table 27: Summary of social infrastructure required for the Burwood-Concord Precinct**

Community Facility Type	Rates of provision	Short term need (2016 – 2021)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
Meeting Spaces - Local	Consider increasing capacity of existing spaces or replace existing facilities if not appropriate or develop partnerships to utilise facilities in other ownership The space should be an appropriate size to cater for the population and a range of activities. A minimum size of 60m <sup>2</sup> is recommended for one activity room.	Upgrade of the Burwood Park facility. To be determined by a community facilities audit.	Redevelopment of the Concord Community Centre. Should include an additional meeting space area of approximately 60m <sup>2</sup> .
Community centre – district	One centre: 20,001 - 50,000 people The centre should be a minimum of 500m <sup>2</sup> and up to 1,000m <sup>2</sup> in size		
Library	28 m <sup>2</sup> per 1,000 residents	Additional floor space to be provided within Burwood Library (approx. 96m <sup>2</sup> )	Approximately 320m <sup>2</sup> of floor space required.  Relocate and expand Concord Library into the Concord and Community Recreation Precinct.
Cultural space	Consider increasing capacity of existing cultural spaces by installing additional features within existing facilities or developing partnerships to utilise facilities in other	Support the provision of cultural space within an existing facility such as the Concord Memorial Hall or potential new facility	The provision of cultural facility within an existing community centre eg art space, exhibition area, public art.

Community Facility Type	Rates of provision	Short term need (2016 – 2021)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
	ownership	such as within the proposed Concord Community and Recreation Precinct.	
Childcare	One place for every two children aged 0 to 5 years for residents.	The provision of 281 places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 400 places by the public or private sector.
Outside of school hours (OOSH)	One Before School Care (BSC) place per 17 children 5-11 years	The provision of 33 Before School Care places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 54 Before School Care places by the public or private sector.
	One After School Care (ASC) place per five children aged 5-11 years	The provision of 112 After School Care places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 183 After School Care places by the public or private sector.
	One Vacation Care (VC) place per seven children aged 5-11 years).	The provision of 80 Vacation Care places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 131 Vacation Care places by the public or private sector.
Sportsground	One sports ground (comprising two playing fields) per 5,000 people (minimum 5 ha) Consider shared used of school sports grounds.	Provision of synthetic playing fields in Blair Park or other similar upgrade to existing facility.	Two sportsgrounds (Four playing fields)
Outdoor sports courts	One multipurpose court: 10,000 people Two tennis courts: 10,000 people	Upgrade of Burwood Park Tennis Courts	One multipurpose court Two tennis courts

## 7. Kings Bay Precinct

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Kings Bay is a mixed use Precinct dominated by car showrooms, car servicing centres, panel beaters, small manufacturers and warehousing. As industry moves west, the Precinct's traditional industrial area is declining, opening up land for transformation that can capitalise on the bus Rapid Transit connections to Sydney CBD and Burwood and many large areas of open space.

The Kings Bay Precinct is currently within the Local Government Areas of Burwood Council, City of Canada Bay Council and the newly formed Inner West Council.

### 7.1 The existing and potential future Kings Bay Community

The Kings Bay Community is slightly older than the Greater Sydney Region with a median age of 40 in comparison to 36. A summary of the key statistics is provided in Table 28. Maps of the census data used for the demographic analysis are provided in Appendix A of Volume One.

**Table 28: Key demographics for existing Kings Bay Precinct residents**

Area	Median age (years)	Persons born in non-main English-speaking countries	Average household size (number of persons)	Median weekly household income	People with a post-school qualification
Kings Bay Precinct	40	30%	2.7	\$1,500	60%
Greater Sydney	36	26%	2.7	\$1,447	60%

The population projections for the Draft Strategy prepared by Cox Richardson Architects for the short term (2016-2023) to medium to longer term (2024-2054), are provided in Table 29.

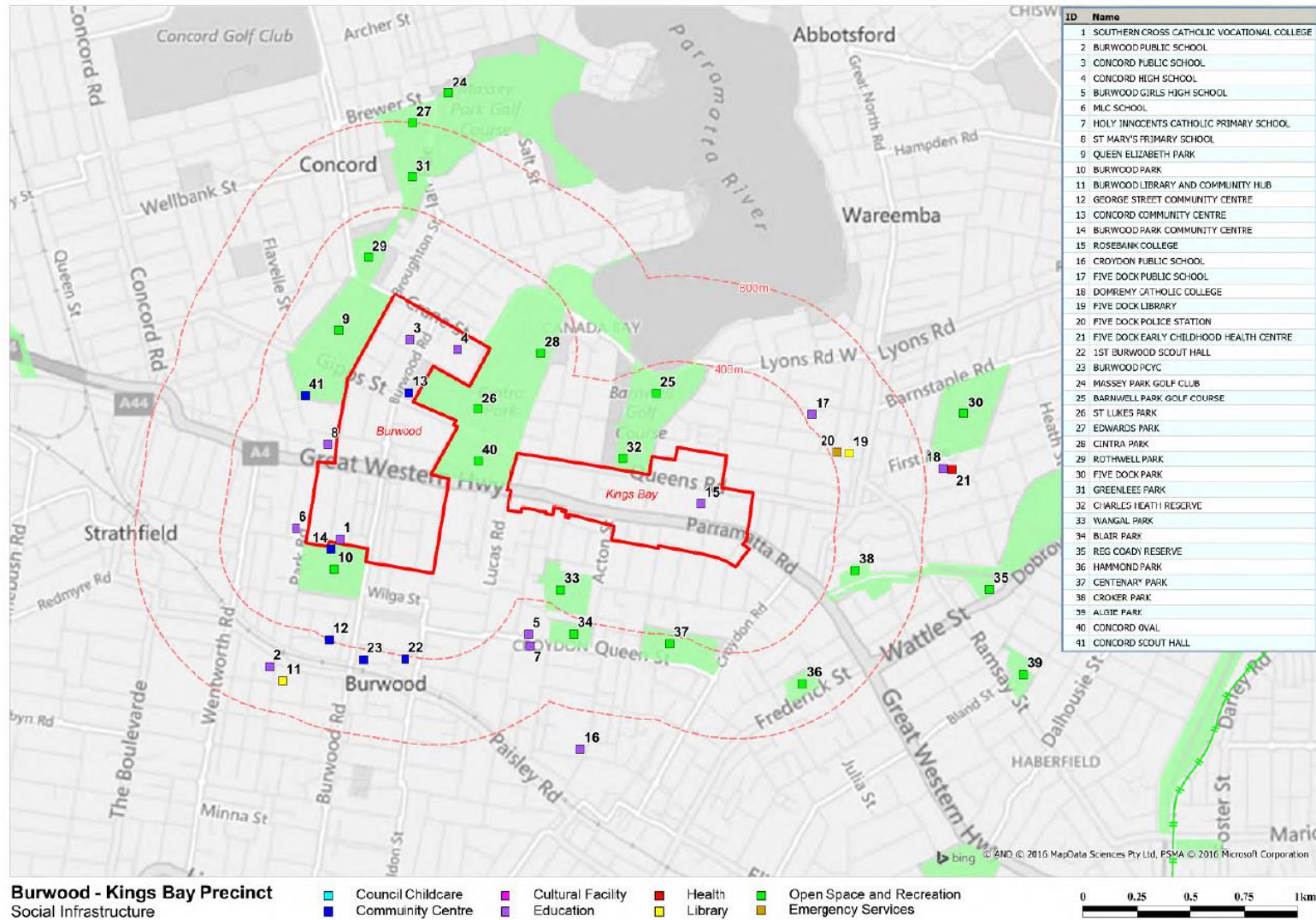
**Table 29: Population projections for the Kings Bay Precinct**

	Short term (2016 - 2023)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
Kings Bay	2,741	5,171

### 7.2 Analysis of social infrastructure

The following section provides an analysis of the local and district social infrastructure including opportunities that have been identified by the Councils. Figure 6 contains a map of all of the facilities that have been identified through the desktop audit and are including in the following discussion.

Figure 6: The Draft Strategy anticipates that the Kings Bay Precinct



## 7.2.1 Community centres and meetings spaces

### Existing facilities

There are five Council owned facilities within or in close proximity to the Kings Bay Precinct that provide services to the existing residents. Three of these facilities are operated by Canada Bay and two of these facilities are operated by Burwood Council. In accordance with Fit for the Future, these two Councils will merge resulting in all of the facilities being operated by the one Council. The facilities include town halls, youth centres and libraries and are listed in Table 10. The Council facilities are supported by a number of not-for-profit and privately operated facilities and these include the Concord Scout Hall, 1st Burwood Scout Hall and Burwood PCYC.

**Table 30: Council owned community centres, meeting spaces and libraries within a 1km radius of Kings Bay Precinct**

Facility name	Type	Facilities	Address
<i>Canada Bay Council facilities</i>			
Concord Community Centre	Community centre	The Community Centre includes two function areas and a kitchen. The facility has a capacity for 150 people.	1A Gibbs Street, Concord
Concord Library	Library	Two meeting rooms	60 Flavelle Street, Concord
Five Dock Library	Library	Two meeting rooms	4-12 Garfield Street
<i>Burwood Council Facilities</i>			
George Street Community Centre	Community centre	Meeting room	Cnr of George Street and Elsie Street
Burwood Park Community Centre	Community centre	Medium size hall (suitable for up to 60 people)	Comer Street, Burwood

### Opportunities

Both Councils have acknowledged the need for additional community facilities within various planning documents and have started to identify potential opportunities for either expanding the capacity of existing facilities, or providing new facilities through potential land acquisitions. Table 31 provides a summary of potential opportunities identified by the Councils. Developing partnerships with the not for profit and private providers of community facilities would also provide additional opportunities for the use of community spaces.

The most significant community infrastructure proposal put forward by the Councils is the redevelopment of the Concord Community Centre. The City of Canada Bay Council has been investigating various options for the Concord Oval and surrounds to be redeveloped as the Concord Community and Recreation Facilities. The Concord Community Centre would be relocated to this Precinct along with various sport and recreation facilities as well as community facilities such as meeting rooms, cultural facilities and childcare.

**Table 31: Community infrastructure proposals suggested by Councils**

Proposal	Location	Document
<i>City of Canada Bay Council</i>		
Redevelop as multipurpose facility co-locating community services. Retain one function/hall space.	Concord Community Centre	City of Canada Bay Community Facilities Resourcing Strategy (2011) City of Canada Bay S94 Development

		Contributions Plan (2015)
<i>Burwood Council</i>		
Provide indoor community facility floor space in Burwood Park to provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shared space for playgroups, children’s parties, and youth programs</li> <li>• Storage space to support multiple uses</li> <li>• Space to support set up and delivery of community and Council events held in the park</li> <li>• Disabled toilets</li> </ul> Options include either upgrade existing facility or building a new small facility connected to the tennis courts and/or café.	Burwood Park	Burwood-Concord Community Facilities and Open Space Strategy (2014)
Manage and promote George Street Community Venue as a community and Council space including for Council programs and exhibition space	George Street Community Centre	Burwood-Concord Community Facilities and Open Space Strategy (2014)
Upgrade and promote Woodstock Community Centre and Fitzroy Hall as a community facility and function facility. Utilise collected funds to upgrade the facility as a vibrant multipurpose space (see Melbourne’s Boyd Community Centre) which can also be used for private functions.	Woodstock Community Centre and Fitzroy Hall	Burwood-Concord Community Facilities and Open Space Strategy (2014)

## 7.2.2 Libraries

### Existing facilities

There are two libraries that operate within a 1km radius of the Kings Bay Precinct, as identified in Table 30, they include Concord Library and the Five Dock Library. Both libraries are within the City of Canada Bay LGAs. The additional library floor space required to accommodate the population could be provided within these existing facilities. The Concord Library could be upgraded to accommodate the growth generated from both the Burwood and Kings Bay Precinct. If the site is unable to be expanded then there is the potential for the facility to be relocated with the Concord Centre into the proposed Concord and Community Recreation Precinct. An audit of the community facilities that service the Kings Bay Precinct including the library would assist in determining the capacity of each of the facilities for expansion or upgrade.

## 7.2.3 Cultural facilities

### Existing facilities

There is a cultural hub that has formed within the Inner West LGA with a number of cultural facilities that can be considered regional facilities because they service the broader Sydney community. These facilities include:

- Annandale Creative Arts Centre
- Canal Road Film Centre
- Legs On The Wall
- NSW Writers Centre
- Mosaic Art School of Sydney
- Sydney College of the Arts
- Ratbag Theatre Company
- Actors Centre of Australia

At the local level, the majority of community facilities within a 1km radius of the Kings Bay Precinct are multipurpose with facilities to cater for cultural activities, for example the Burwood Library includes a 200 seat auditorium.

## Opportunities

Some of the Councils have identified facilities that have the potential to accommodate these needs, they include:

- The Concord Memorial Hall, which is located just outside of the Homebush Precinct, has been recommended within the *City of Canada Bay Community Facilities Resourcing Strategy (2011)* to be rebranded as a cultural facility.
- The Burwood Community Hub and the George Street Community Centre could provide a space for Community and Council exhibitions as recommended within the *Burwood Community Facilities and Open Space Strategy (2014)*.
- The relocation of the Concord Community Centre could provide an opportunity to provide additional cultural activities such as an exhibition space or an art facility.

### 7.2.4 Childcare and Out of School Hours Care

#### Existing facilities

The majority of childcare providers within the Canada Bay and Burwood LGAs are owned and operated by private operators. The City of Canada Bay Council operates the Wellbank Children’s Centre as part of the Concord Community Complex which is located within the 1km radius of the Kings Bay Precinct. With regards to Out of School Hours Care, all of the primary schools, listed in Table 53 provide OOSH services.

**Table 32: Council operated childcare centres within 1km of the Kings Bay Precinct**

Centre	Age	Address	Number of childcare places
<i>City of Canada Bay Council</i>			
Wellbank Children's Centre	6 weeks to 6 years	60 Flavelle St, Concord	51

#### Opportunities

According to the *City Of Canada Bay Community Facilities Resourcing Strategy (2011)* there is a current undersupply of 60 childcare places in the LGA and this will increase to 706 places by 2031. The demand is demonstrated by the waiting list at Council’s Wellbank Children Centre that currently has 200 names.

Burwood LGA currently has sufficient provision of childcare places, according to the *Burwood Community Facilities and Open Space Strategy (2014)*, however the Strategy estimates that by 2031 there will be a gap of 405 places.

### 7.2.5 Sportsground and recreation facilities

#### Existing facilities

The Kings Bay Precinct is adjacent to a number of key open space and recreation sites within the corridor these include Queen Elizabeth Park, St Lukes Park and Cheltenham Road Park. Within a 1km radius of the Kings Bay Precinct there are 15 recreation areas, which cater to a wide variety of sport activities. A summary of the facilities across all of the recreation areas is provided in Table 33. The table has been based on a desktop review of existing facilities. As acknowledged in Volume One, a more detailed Recreation Needs Assessment is required to investigate how the existing facilities are currently used as well as recreation trends within the LGA that will influence future provision.

**Table 33: Summary of recreation facilities within Kings Bay Precinct**

Facility type	Sport type	Number of facilities
Sportsfields	Rugby field (including cricket/AFL)	14
	Athletics track	1
Courts	Half basketball court	1
	Full basketball court	3
	Netball	3
	Badminton	2
	Indoor soccer	2
	Volleyball	2
	Tennis	7
	Bowling greens	2
Outdoor youth recreation facility	Skate park	1

### Opportunities

The City of Canada Bay have commissioned Clouston Associates to prepare the Concord Community and Recreation Precinct Strategy. The purpose of the Strategy is develop a staged masterplan that will deliver community and recreation facilities over a 20 year timeframe. The Strategy includes in its assessment the following facilities:

- Concord community centre
- Concord Oval
- St Luke’s Playing Fields
- Cintra Park Hockey, Tennis Club and Netball Courts
- St Luke’s North
- Five Dock Leisure Centre
- Barnwell Park Golf Course

Other more immediate works proposed by the Councils to improve facilities within the existing parks include:

- Blair Park - Investigate opportunities to replace grass playing fields with multipurpose synthetic playing fields.
- Burwood Park - Refurbish the Burwood Park tennis courts as multipurpose courts and lease management of courts and café to private operator.
- Concord Oval - Consider developing Concord Oval with a premier rectangular field for hosting international events and training.

## 7.3 Recommendations for the Kings Bay Precinct

Kings Bay will be a new residential urban village on Parramatta Road that takes advantage of access to Sydney Harbour, open space and recreation facilities. A new village centre is proposed along Spencer Street. The former Canada Bay Council have commenced the preparation of a Concord Community and Recreation Precinct that will involve the relocation of the Concord Community Centre making more efficient

use of facilities within the region. Planning of these facilities should take into consideration the development of Spencer Street as the village’s new main street.

Community facilities such as the relocated Concord Community Centre should be positioned with prime access to the street creating a gateway and encouraging pedestrian traffic along the street. This proposed facility has the potential to accommodate the combined social infrastructure requirements of the Burwood-Concord and Kings Bay Precinct.

In regards to recreation facilities, the former City of Canada Bay Council have identified potential within the Concord Community and Recreational Precinct, a recreation needs assessment of the broader LGA would assist in determining the facilities to be provided within the Precinct to meet the recreation requirements of the future population.

**Table 34: Summary of social infrastructure required for the Kings Bay Precinct**

Community Facility Type	Rate of provision	Short term need (2016 – 2021)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
Meeting Spaces - Local	Consider increasing capacity of existing spaces or replace existing facilities if not appropriate or develop partnerships to utilise facilities in other ownership  The space should be an appropriate size to cater for the population and a range of activities. A minimum size of 60m <sup>2</sup> is recommended for one activity room.	Upgrade of the Burwood Park facility. To be determined by a community facilities audit.	Upgrade or extension of the Concord Community Centre. Should include at least one meeting room with an area of approximately 60m <sup>2</sup> .
Community centre - district	One centre: 20,001 - 50,000 people  The centre should be a minimum of 500m <sup>2</sup> and up to 1,000m <sup>2</sup> in size		
Library	28 m <sup>2</sup> per 1,000 residents	Additional floor space to be provided within Five Dock Library, approximately 39m <sup>2</sup>	Additional floor space of 144m <sup>2</sup> to be provided, this could be within existing facilities.
Cultural space	Consider increasing capacity of existing cultural spaces by installing additional features within existing facilities or developing partnerships to utilise facilities in other ownership	The provision of exhibition space/facilities within the Burwood Community Hub and George Street Community Centre	The provision of a cultural space within an existing facility or potential new facility such as within the proposed Concord Community and Recreation Precinct.
Childcare	One place for every two children aged 0 to 5 years for residents.	The provision of 110 places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 181 places by the public or private sector.
Outside of school hours (OOSH)	One Before School Care (BSC) place per 17 children 5-11 years	The provision of 13 Before School Care places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 24 Before School Care places by the public or private sector.
	One After School Care	The provision of 44	The provision of 83 After

Community Facility Type	Rate of provision	Short term need (2016 – 2021)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
	(ASC) place per five children aged 5-11 years	After School Care places by the public or private sector.	School Care places by the public or private sector.
	One Vacation Care (VC) place per seven children aged 5-11 years).	The provision of 31 Vacation Care places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 59 Vacation Care places by the public or private sector.
Sportsground	One sports ground (comprising two playing fields) per 5,000 people (minimum 5 ha) Consider shared used of school sports grounds.	Upgrade of Concord Oval with a premier rectangular field.	One sportsground (Two playing fields)

## 8. Taverner’s Hill Precinct

Taverner’s Hill enjoys a quirky and diverse range of building types, from low-rise early period homes to small-scale industrial buildings. Its intimate neighbourhoods and places have excellent access to transport, including heavy and light rail and bus services to the Sydney CBD, as well as the leafy GreenWay Corridor, which follows the Hawthorne Canal. The Precinct’s built heritage includes the Long Cove Creek Railway Viaducts and the Kegworth School, along with individual homes. The Taverner’s Hill Precinct is within the Inner West Council LGA.

### 8.1 The existing and potential future Taverner’s Hill Community

The Taverner’s Hill Community is slightly older than the Greater Sydney Region with a median age of 39 in comparison to 36. A summary of the key statistics is provided in Table 35. Maps of the census data used for the demographic analysis are provided in Appendix A of Volume One.

**Table 35: Key demographics for existing Taverner’s Hill Precinct residents**

Area	Median age (years)	Persons born in non-main English-speaking countries	Average household size (number of persons)	Median weekly household income	People with a post-school qualification
Taverner’s Hill Precinct	39	31%	2.4	\$1,531	67%
Greater Sydney	36	26%	2.7	\$1,447	60%

The population projections for the Draft Strategy prepared by Cox Richardson Architects for the short term (2016-2023) to medium to longer term (2024-2054), are provided in Table 36.

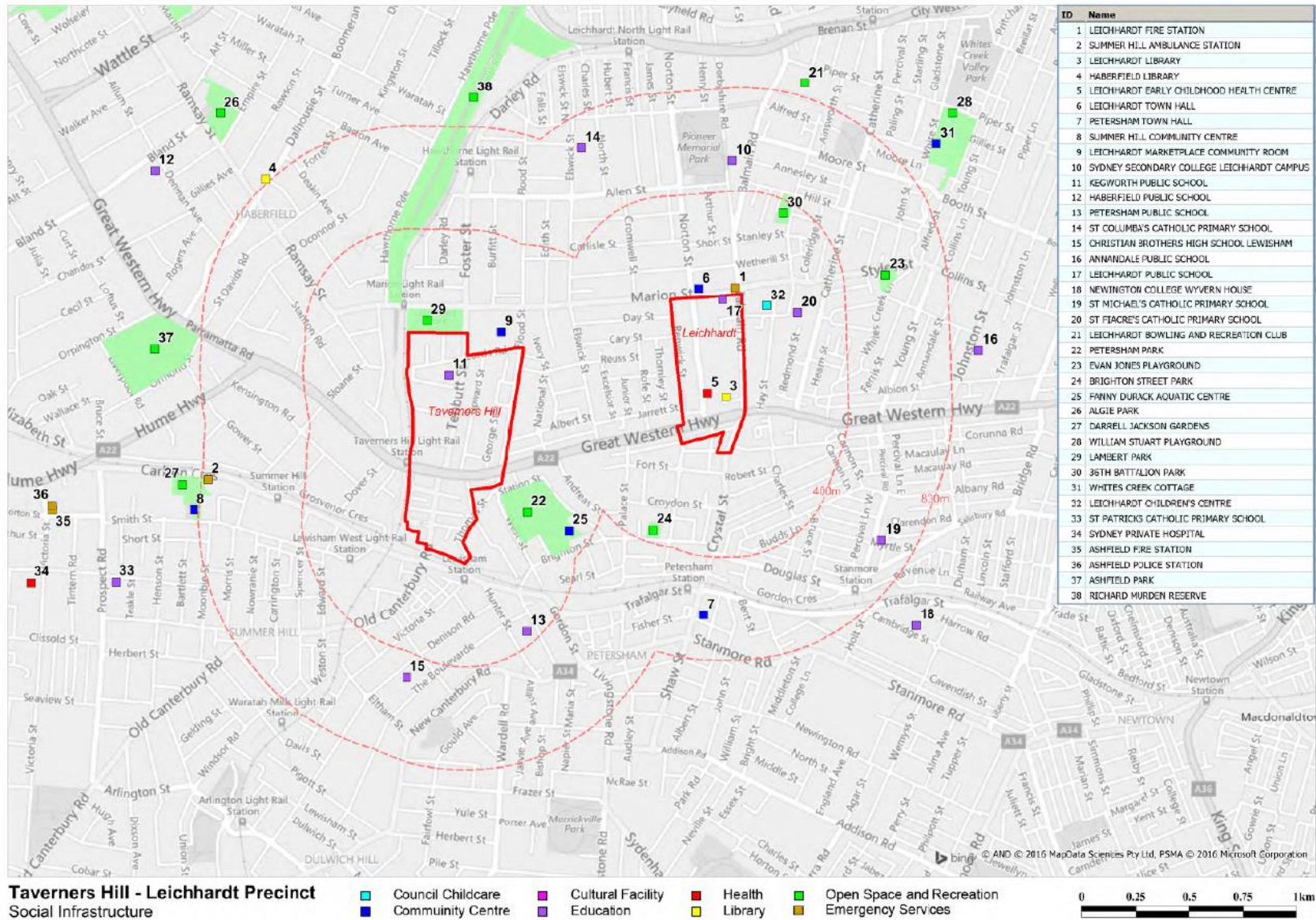
**Table 36: Population projections for the Taverner’s Hill Precinct**

	Short term (2016 - 2023)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
Taverner’s Hill	900	3,265

### 8.2 Analysis of social infrastructure

The following section provides an analysis of the local and district social infrastructure including opportunities that have been identified by the Councils. Figure 7 contains a map of all of the facilities that have been identified through the desktop audit and are including in the following discussion.

Figure 7: Current social infrastructure that services the Taverner's Hill Precinct



## 8.2.1 Community centres and meetings spaces

### Existing facilities

There are 12 Council owned facilities within or in close proximity to the Taverner's Hill Precinct that provide services to the existing residents. The facilities include town halls, youth centres and libraries and are listed in Table 37. The Council facilities are supported by a number of not-for-profit and privately operated facilities and these include The Infants Home, Italian Forum Cultural Centre and Portuguese Community Centre.

**Table 37: Community centres, meeting spaces and libraries within a 1km radius of Taverner's Hill Precinct**

Name	Type	Facilities	Address
Leichhardt Marketplace Community Room	Community centre	Community meeting room	Unit 1 122-138 Flood St Leichhardt 2040
Leichhardt Town Hall	Town Hall	Community hall and stage. Kitchen.	Crn of Marion & Norton Streets, Leichhardt
Leichhardt Library	Library	One meeting room with kitchen	Piazza Level, Italian Forum 23 Norton St
Petersham Town Hall	Town Hall	Large hall with capacity for 440 sit down dinner	Shaw St, Petersham
Summer Hill Community Centre	Community centre, operated by Summer Hill Community Centre Management Committee	Four meeting rooms of various sizes and one hall.	131 Smith St, Summer Hill
Ashfield Library	Library		Level 3, 260 Liverpool Rd, Ashfield
Haberfield Library	Library		78 Dalhouse St, Haberfield
Ashfield Town Hall	Town Hall	Hall with capacity for 300 people	260 Liverpool Rd, Ashfield
Ashfield Civic Centre	Community centre	Three activity rooms	260 Liverpool Rd, Ashfield
Graham Yarool Room	Meeting room	Meeting room capacity for 50 people	Level 1, 78 Dalhouse St, Haberfield
Mervyn Fletcher Hall	Meeting room	Meeting room capacity for 50 people	81 Dalhouse St, Haberfield
Michael Maher Room	Meeting room	Meeting room capacity for 100 people	78 Dalhouse St, Haberfield

## 8.2.2 Libraries

### Existing facilities

There are three libraries in close proximity to the Taverner's Hill Precinct as listed in Table 37, these include the Leichhardt Library, Ashfield library and Haberfield Library. Some of the upgrades of these existing facilities would enable the additional floor space to be provided in the short to medium term.

It is anticipated that by 2054, the Leichhardt Library may be relocated providing additional opportunities for floor space that will accommodate the Taverner's Hill, Leichhardt and Camperdown population.

### **8.2.3 Cultural facilities**

#### **Existing facilities**

There is a cultural hub that has formed within the LGA with a number of cultural facilities that can be considered regional facilities because they service the broader Sydney community. These facilities include:

- Annandale Creative Arts Centre
- Canal Road Film Centre
- Legs On The Wall
- NSW Writers Centre
- Mosaic Art School of Sydney
- Sydney College of the Arts
- Ratbag Theatre Company
- Actors Centre of Australia

In addition to the above, there are number of local facilities as listed in Table 3 such as the Summer Hill Community Centre, Ashfield Civic Centre that provide spaces for cultural activities. In addition the Italian Forum Cultural Centre includes a performance space, exhibition space and centre for hire.

The former Ashfield Council has an Artist in Residents Program that over the past ten years has supported over 30 artists staying in the Thirning Villa in Pratten Park. The program requires that the artist include a community development/engagement element during their stay.

To accommodate the needs of the future population within urban renewal areas, it is recommended in GHD's Rates of Provision that consideration be given to increasing capacity of existing cultural spaces by installing additional features within existing facilities or developing partnerships to utilise facilities in other ownership. Within the Taverner's Hill Precinct, additional facilities such as exhibition space, public art, art studio or music studio could be provided within an existing community facility.

### **8.2.4 Childcare and Out of School Hours Care**

#### **Existing facilities**

The majority of childcare providers within a 1km radius of the Taverner's Hill Precinct are owned and operated by private operators. Council currently operates nine long day care centres and a preschool. Another centre has been approved for development.

One of the long day care centres is located within a 1km radius of the Precinct, as outlined in [Table 38](#). In addition to the long day care centres, Council operates two family day care services which has facilities across the LGA. With regards to Out of School Hours Care, all of the primary schools, listed in [Table 53](#) provide OOSH services.

**Table 38: Council operated childcare centres within 1km of the Taverner's Hill Precinct**

Centre	Council	Age	Address	Number of places
Leichhardt Children's Centre	Inner West Council	0 to 5 years	19 Leichhardt St, Leichhardt NSW 2040	45

### Opportunities

The Review of Early Education and Case Service Deliver for Children Under School Age in the Leichhardt LGA (Leichhardt Council, 2013) states that "there are long waiting lists for all service types with between 100 and 290 on waiting lists. Waiting lists are particularly long at Long Day Care centres, Family Day Care and for children aged under 2 years." Similarly, the Facilities Needs Research Strategic Directions for Marrickville (Marrickville Council, 2012) notes that all of the Long Day Care centres operated by Council are currently at capacity with extensive waiting lists and these centres are the preferred choice of parents in the LGA.

Recommendations for increasing the provision of childcare within the LGA suggested within the Leichhardt Council report include:

- Council to construct a number of new centres that could either be operated by Council, a private provider, a community provider or a quality organisation e.g. Good Start.
- Council to design and obtain development consent and then lease the land for the lessee to construct and operate the centre.
- Advocate with the State and Federal government for funding for a new Long Day Care centre.

To advocate for additional OOSH places, Leichhardt Council has founded the After School Care Alliance, a grouping of Councils, Out of School Hours Care providers and P&Cs, to create solutions to Sydney's after school care crisis. The aim of the Alliance is to bring school communities and after school care providers together to advocate the NSW State Government to develop solutions.

### 8.2.5 Sportsground and recreation facilities

#### Existing facilities

Taverner's Hill is located strategically along the Greenway which when completed will connect Cooks River to Iron Cove through an urban green corridor that provides a walking and cycling trail as well as a wildlife and ecological trail. In addition to the Greenway there are ten recreation areas within an 800m radius of the Taverner's Hill Precinct, including Five Dock Park and Petersham Park, they cater to a wide variety of sport activities.

A summary of the facilities across all of the recreation areas is provided in Table 39. The table has been based on a desktop review of existing facilities. As acknowledged in Volume One, a more detailed Recreation Needs Assessment is required to investigate how the existing facilities are currently used as well as recreation trends within the LGA that will influence future provision.

**Table 39: Summary of recreation facilities within Kings Bay Precinct**

Facility type	Sport type	Number of facilities
Sportsfields	Rugby field (including cricket/AFL)	5
	Soccer field	1
Courts	Full basketball court	3
	Netball	4
	Tennis	6

Outdoor youth recreation facility	Skate park	2
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## Opportunities

Lambert Park located off Marion Street, Leichhardt can provide opportunities for active recreation. Currently the facility is gated and leased exclusively to the APIA football club to 2019. Inner West Council has acknowledged that the Park provides an opportunity to function as a local park for nearby residents.

### 8.3 Recommendations for the Taverner's Hill Precinct

Taverner's Hill Precinct will be an urban village with multiple links to public transport and access to neighbourhood parks, squares and leafy streets just off Parramatta Road. The Taverner's Hill Precinct is one of the smaller precincts along the Parramatta Road Corridor with a projected population of 5,516 by 2054.

This additional community will only have slight impact on social infrastructure within the surrounding area. To contribute to the village feel of Taverner's Hill it is recommended that a community meeting space be provided within the village, preferably along Tebbutt Street, which is proposed to be the main street.

Given the Taverner's Hill close proximity to the Leichhardt Precinct, it is recommended that the majority of social infrastructure be serviced out of the Leichhardt Precinct, contributing to Norton Street being developed as a civic hub.

**Table 40: Summary of social infrastructure required for the Taverner's Hill Precinct**

Community Facility Type	Rate of provision	Short term need (2016 - 2021)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
Meeting Spaces	Consider increasing capacity of existing spaces or replace existing facilities if not appropriate or develop partnerships to utilise facilities in other ownership  The space should be an appropriate size to cater for the population and a range of activities. A minimum size of 60m <sup>2</sup> is recommended for one activity room.	Upgrade or extension of existing community centres this should be determined based on audit of existing community facilities.	Additional meeting room with a minimum size of 60m <sup>2</sup> to be included within relocation of Leichhardt Library and Marketplace Community Room
Community centre – district	One centre: 20,001 - 50,000 people  The centre should be a minimum of 500m <sup>2</sup> and up to 1,000m <sup>2</sup> in size		
Library	28 m <sup>2</sup> per 1,000 residents	Extension or upgrade of existing library (Ashfield or Haberfield) to allow for an additional 47m <sup>2</sup> of floor space	Extension or relocation of Leichhardt Library to accommodate an additional 61m <sup>2</sup> of floor space
Cultural space	Consider increasing capacity of existing cultural spaces by installing additional features within existing facilities or developing	Upgrade or extension of facilities within existing community centres.	Cultural space within an existing facility or within the relocated Leichhardt Community Centre

Community Facility Type	Rate of provision	Short term need (2016 – 2021)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
	partnerships to utilise facilities in other ownership		
Childcare	One place for every two children aged 0 to 5 years for residents.	The provision of 36 places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 114 places by the public or private sector.
Outside of school hours (OOSH)	One Before School Care (BSC) place per 17 children 5-11 years	The provision of four Before School Care places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 15 Before School Care places by the public or private sector.
	One After School Care (ASC) place per five children aged 5-11 years	The provision of 14 After School Care places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 52 After School Care places by the public or private sector.
	One Vacation Care (VC) place per seven children aged 5-11 years).	The provision of 10 Vacation Care places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 37 Vacation Care places by the public or private sector.
Sportsground	One sports ground (comprising two playing fields) per 5,000 people (minimum 5 ha) Consider shared used of school sports grounds.	Upgrade of facilities in existing parks such as Petersham Park, Lambert Park or Five Dock Park,	
Outdoor sports court	One multipurpose court: 10,000 people Two tennis courts: 10,000 people	Support development of hockey facilities within Lambert Park	Upgrade of existing. To be determined based on audit.

## 9. Leichhardt Precinct

Leichhardt Precinct centres on Norton Street, a famous dining and retail area. While the Precinct attracts young professionals and families, it has suffered economic decline in recent years. Much of the Precinct is a heritage conservation area. The Leichhardt Precinct is within the Inner West Council LGA.

### 9.1 The existing and potential future Leichhardt Community

The Leichhardt is comparative with the average for Greater Sydney. There is a slightly smaller household size with an average occupancy rate of 2.3 compared to 2.7. A high proportion (71%) of the Precinct have a post-school qualification in comparison to 60%. A summary of the key statistics is provided in Table 41. Maps of the census data used for the demographic analysis are provided in Appendix A of Volume One.

**Table 41: Key demographics for existing Leichhardt Precinct residents**

Area	Median age (years)	Persons born in non-main English-speaking countries	Average household size (number of persons)	Median weekly household income	People with a post-school qualification
Leichhardt Precinct	35	20%	2.3	\$1,858	71%
Greater Sydney	36	26%	2.7	\$1,447	60%

The population projections for the Draft Strategy prepared by Cox Richardson Architects for the short term (2016-2023) to medium to longer term (2024-2054), are provided in Table 42.

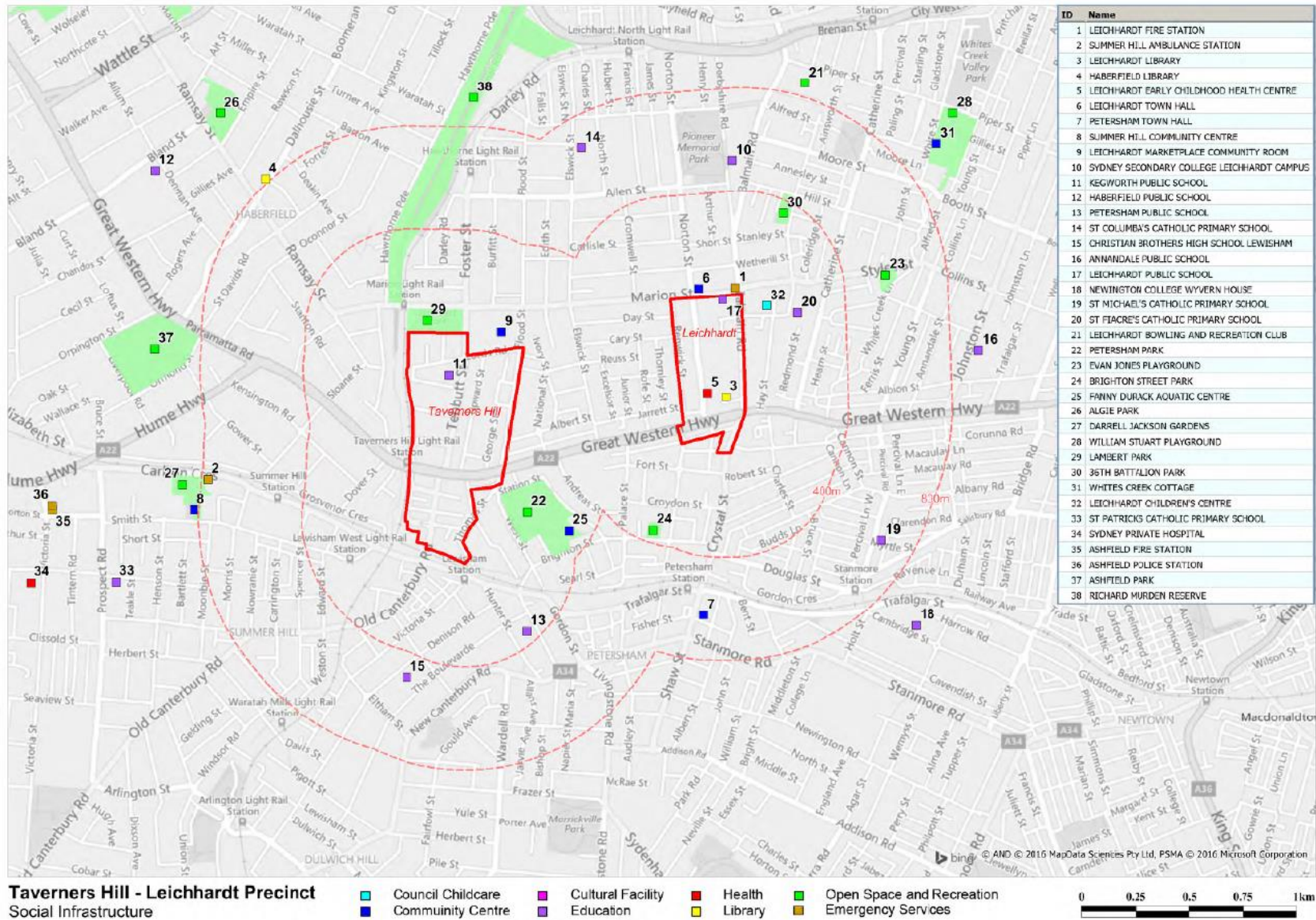
**Table 42: Population projections for the Leichhardt Precinct**

	Short term (2016 - 2023)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
Leichhardt	1,684	2,163

### 9.2 Analysis of social infrastructure

The following section provides an analysis of the local and district social infrastructure including opportunities that have been identified by the Councils. [Figure 8](#) contains a map of all of the facilities that have been identified through the desktop audit and are including in the following discussion.

Figure 8: Current social infrastructure that services the Leichhardt Precinct



## 9.2.1 Community centres and meetings spaces

### Existing facilities

There are nine Council owned facilities within or in close proximity to the Leichhardt Precinct that provide services to the existing residents. One of these facilities is operated by City of Sydney and eight of these facilities are operated by Inner West Council. The facilities include town halls, youth centres and libraries and are listed in Table 43. The Council facilities are supported by a number of not-for-profit and privately operated facilities and these include the 1st Haberfield Scout Hall and Portuguese Community Centre.

**Table 43: Community centres, meeting spaces and libraries within a 1km radius of Leichhardt Precinct**

Name	Type	Facilities	Address
<i>City of Sydney Council facilities</i>			
Booler Community Centre	Community centre	Ideal for children's parties, small receptions and community meetings. The centre offers enclosed facilities with a garden in a quiet residential area.	25-27 Lambert Street, Camperdown
<i>Inner West Council</i>			
Annandale Neighbourhood Centre	Neighbourhood Centre	Two halls and one meeting room.	79 Johnston Street Annandale
Whites Creek Cottage	Community centre	Whites Creek Cottage is a community facility suitable for small community gatherings, meetings, celebrations or low impact events or activities	31 White Street, Lilyfield
Leichhardt Marketplace Community Room	Community centre	Community meeting room	1/122-138 Flood Street Leichhardt
Leichhardt Library	Library	One meeting room with kitchen	Piazza Level, Italian Forum 23 Norton Street
Leichhardt Town Hall	Town Hall	Community hall and stage. Kitchen.	Corner of Marion and Norton Streets, Leichhardt
Camperdown Park Meeting Room	Meeting Room	Camperdown Park Meeting Room will be a brand new space located within Camperdown Park, due to open in mid-August. This room will have the capacity to hold 30 people at any one time.	Camperdown Park, Mallett Street
Petersham Town Hall	Town Hall	Large hall with capacity for 440 sit down dinner	Shaw Street, Petersham
Stanmore Library	Branch library		Stanmore Reserve, Douglas Street, Stanmore

## **9.2.2 Libraries**

### **Existing facilities**

There are two libraries in close proximity to the Leichhardt Precinct as listed in Table 43, these include the Leichhardt Library and Stanmore Library. The Leichhardt Library is located within the Italian Forum, there are limited opportunities for expansion within this location. In addition, its position just off Norton Street has restricted the ability for the library to generate street traffic and contribute to building a sense of place within the Precinct. Leichhardt Council has for some time, sought to generate activity along Norton Street by relocating the library and creating a civic centre. The development of the Leichhardt Precinct is an opportunity for these facilities to be relocated.

## **9.2.3 Cultural facility**

### **Existing facilities**

There is a cultural hub that has formed within the Inner West LGA with a number of cultural facilities that can be considered regional facilities because they service the broader Sydney community. These facilities include:

- Annandale Creative Arts Centre
- Canal Road Film Centre
- Legs On The Wall
- NSW Writers Centre
- Mosaic Art School of Sydney
- Sydney College of the Arts
- Ratbag Theatre Company
- Actors Centre of Australia

In addition to the above, there are number of local facilities as listed in Table 3 such as the Booter Community Centre, Whites Creek Cottage and Camperdown Park Meeting Room that provide spaces for cultural activities. In addition the Italian Forum Cultural Centre includes a performance space, exhibition space and centre for hire.

## **9.2.4 Childcare and Out of School Hours Care**

### **Existing facilities**

The majority of childcare providers within a 1km radius of the Leichhardt Precinct are owned and operated by private providers. Inner West Council currently operates nine long day care centres and a preschool. Another centre has been approved for development.

Two of Council's long day care centres are located within a 1km radius of the Precinct. Council operates a family day care service which has facilities across their LGA. These are listed in Table 44. With regards to Out of School Hours Care, all of the primary schools, listed in section 11.1 provide OOSH services.

**Table 44: Council operated childcare centres within 1km of the Leichhardt Precinct**

Centre	Council	Age	Address	Number of childcare places
Annandale Children's Centre	Inner West Council	6 weeks to 6 years	47 Trafalgar st, Annandale NSW 2038	30
Leichhardt Children's Centre	Inner West Council	6 weeks to 6 years	19 Leichhardt St, Leichhardt NSW 2040	45

### Opportunities

The Review of Early Education and Case Service Deliver for Children Under School Age in the Leichhardt LGA (Leichhardt Council, 2013) states that “there are long waiting lists for all service types with between 100 and 290 on waiting lists. Waiting lists are particularly long at Long Day Care centres, Family Day Care and for children aged under 2 years.” Similarly, the Facilities Needs Research Strategic Directions for Marrickville (Marrickville Council, 2012) notes that all of the Long Day Care centres operated by Council are currently at capacity with extensive waiting lists and these centres are the preferred choice of parents in the LGA.

Recommendations for increasing the provision of childcare within the LGAs suggested within the Leichhardt Council report include:

- Council to construct a number of new centres that could either be operated by Council, a private provider, a community provider or a quality organisation eg Good Start.
- Council to design and obtain development consent and then lease the land for the lessee to construct and operate the centre.
- Advocate with the State and Federal government for funding for a new Long Day Care centre.

To advocate for additional OOSH places, Leichhardt Council has founded the *After School Care Alliance*, a grouping of Councils, Out of School Hours Care providers and P&Cs, to create solutions to Sydney's after school care crisis. The aim of the Alliance is to bring school communities and after school care providers together to advocate the NSW State Government to develop solutions.

### 9.2.5 Sportsground and recreation facilities

#### Existing facilities

Leichhardt is located in close proximity to a number of parks and sporting grounds including Camperdown Park and O'Dea Reserve. There are ten recreation areas within an 800m radius of the Leichhardt Precinct, which cater to a wide variety of sport activities including Fanny Durack Aquatic Centre and a skate park in Darrell Jackson Gardens.

A summary of the facilities across all of the recreation areas is provided in [Table 45](#). As acknowledged in Volume One, a more detailed Recreation Needs Assessment is required to investigate how the existing facilities are currently used as well as recreation trends within the LGA that will influence future provision.

**Table 45 Summary of recreation facilities within Leichhardt Precinct**

Facility type	Sport type	Number of facilities
Sportsfields	Rugby field (including cricket/AFL)	3
Courts	Half basketball court	2
	Full basketball court	6
	Tennis	7
	Multisport	3
	Bowling green	2
Outdoor youth recreation facility	Skate park	1
Swimming pool	Swimming pools	1

### 9.3 Recommendations for the Leichhardt Precinct

The Leichhardt Precinct will be reinvigorated with new business areas and new housing to stimulate activity. Norton Street has been identified as a Place for People and will be the main street including a Civic Centre around the Town Hall and Council Chambers.

The Leichhardt Precinct includes the Italian Forum complex which includes the Library, a baby health clinic and a community meeting room. However, these spaces are restricted in their expansion within the Forum and don't contribute to an active street life. Leichhardt Council has for some time, sought to generate activity along Norton Street by relocating the library and creating a civic centre. The development of the Leichhardt Precinct is an opportunity for these facilities to be relocated.

The relocated library should included an expanded floor space to accommodate the population projections from the Taverner's Hill, Leichhardt and Camperdown Precincts. Other facilities to be included within the civic hub are; community meeting rooms and a cultural facility or space.

There are ten recreation areas within close proximity to the Leichhardt Precinct including Lambert Park. As acknowledged within the Taverner's Hill Precinct, Lambert Park could be made accessible to the public and function as a neighbourhood park. Inner West Council has expressed concern that upgrades to existing recreation facilities such as Camperdown Oval will not be sufficient to meet the needs of the projected population. The recreation needs assessment recommended in Volume One would assist in identifying additional opportunities for recreation facilities.

**Table 46: Summary of social infrastructure required for the Leichhardt Precinct**

Community Facility Type	Rates of provision	Short term need (2016 – 2021)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
Meeting Spaces	Consider increasing capacity of existing spaces or replace existing facilities if not appropriate or develop partnerships to utilise facilities in other ownership  The space should be an appropriate size to cater for the population and a range of activities. A minimum size of 60m <sup>2</sup> is	Upgrade or extension of existing facilities such as Annandale Neighbourhood Centre, White Creek Cottage or Booter Community Centre.	Additional meeting room with a minimum size of 60m <sup>2</sup> to be included within relocation of Leichhardt Library and Marketplace Community Room.

Community Facility Type	Rates of provision	Short term need (2016 – 2021)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
	recommended for one activity room.		
Library	28m <sup>2</sup> per 1,000 residents	Approximately 25m <sup>2</sup> of floor space required this could be provided within an existing facility.	Expansion or relocation of Leichhardt Library to accommodate an additional 91m <sup>2</sup> of floorspace.
Cultural space	Consider increasing capacity of existing cultural spaces by installing additional features within existing facilities or developing partnerships to utilise facilities in other ownership	Upgrade of facilities within existing community centres.	Cultural space within an existing facility or within relocated Leichhardt Community Centre.
Childcare	One place for every two children aged 0 to 5 years for residents.	The provision of 67 places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 76 places by the public or private sector.
Outside of school hours (OOSH)	One Before School Care (BSC) place per 17 children 5-11 years	The provision of 8 Before School Care places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 10 Before School Care places by the public or private sector.
	One After School Care (ASC) place per five children aged 5-11 years	The provision of 27 After School Care places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 35 After School Care places by the public or private sector.
	One Vacation Care (VC) place per seven children aged 5-11 years).	The provision of 19 Vacation Care places by the public or private sector.	The provision of 25 Vacation Care places by the public or private sector.
Sportsground	One sports ground (comprising two playing fields) per 5,000 people (minimum 5 ha) Consider shared used of school sports grounds.	Upgrade of existing facilities to be determined based on recreation needs assessment.	
Outdoor sports court	One multipurpose court: 10,000 people Two tennis courts: 10,000 people	Upgrade of existing facilities at Richard Murden Reserve.	

## 10. Camperdown Precinct

Camperdown Precinct is an area of largely old industrial properties, sitting on the edge of the Sydney CBD and close to major research and employment hubs at Sydney University and Royal Prince Alfred Hospital (RPA). It has easy access to transport and employment opportunities. The area is home to narrow disconnected streets and parks, shaped by the subdivision of historical landholdings and disrupted by creek lines that often force pedestrians and cyclists onto Parramatta Road and Pyrmont Bridge Road. The Precinct has a strong industrial history, with rows of Victorian and Federation houses interspersed with larger-scale buildings of both institutional and industrial origin.

Governance of the Camperdown Precinct is currently divided between the City of Sydney Council and the newly formed Inner West Council.

### 10.1 The existing and potential future Camperdown Community

The Camperdown Community is slightly younger than the Greater Sydney Region with a median age of 31 in comparison to 36. A summary of the key statistics is provided in Table 47. Maps of the census data used for the demographic analysis are provided in Appendix A of Volume One.

Table 47: Key demographics for existing Camperdown Precinct residents

Area	Median age (years)	Persons born in non-main English-speaking countries	Average household size (number of persons)	Median weekly household income	People with a post-school qualification
Camperdown Precinct	31	19%	2.3	\$1,823	65%
Greater Sydney	36	26%	2.7	\$1,447	60%

The population projections for the Draft Strategy prepared by Cox Richardson Architects for the short term (2016-2023) to medium to longer term (2024-2054), are provided in Table 48.

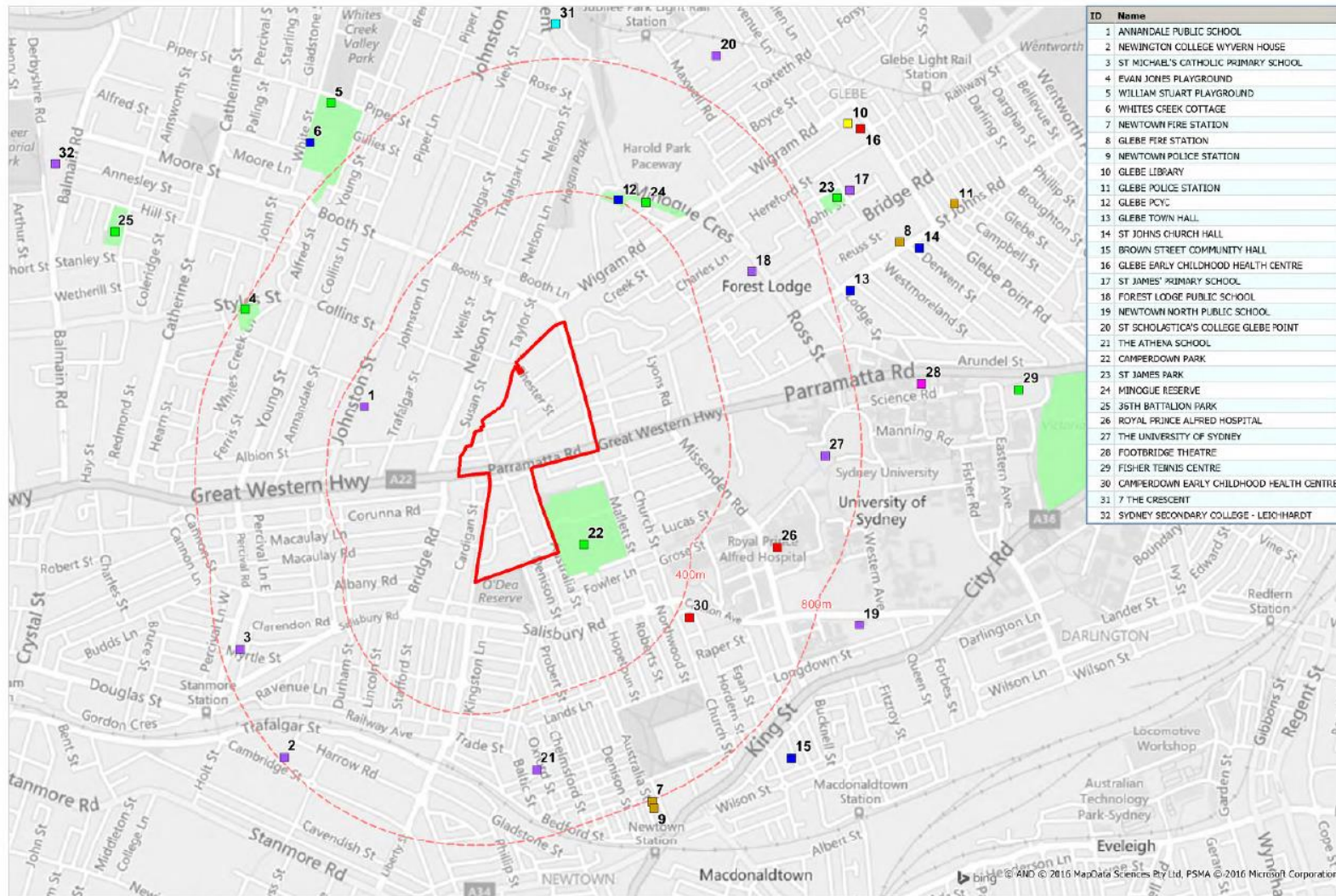
Table 48: Population projections for the Camperdown Precinct

	Short term (2016 - 2023)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
Camperdown	0	1,390

### 10.2 Analysis of social infrastructure

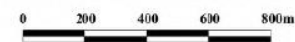
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Figure 9: Current social infrastructure that services the Camperdown Precinct



**Camperdown Precinct**  
Social Infrastructure

- Council Childcare
- Cultural Facility
- Health
- Open Space and Recreation
- Community Centre
- Education
- Library
- Emergency Services



### 10.2.1 Community centres and meetings spaces

#### Existing facilities

There are 12 Council owned facilities within or in close proximity to the Camperdown Precinct that provide services to the existing residents. Four of these facilities is operated by City of Sydney and eight of the facilities operated by the Inner West Council. The facilities include town halls, youth centres and libraries and are listed in Table 49. The Council facilities are supported by a number of not-for-profit and privately operated facilities and these include the Glebe PCYC and St Johns Church Hall.

**Table 49: Community centres, meeting spaces and libraries within a 1km radius of Camperdown Precinct**

Name	Type	Facilities	Address
<i>City of Sydney Council facilities</i>			
Brown Street Community Hall	Community Hall	Suitable for small community meetings, training courses and discussion groups	8-10 Brown Street, Newtown
Booler Community Centre	Community centre	Ideal for children's parties, small receptions and community meetings. The centre offers enclosed facilities with a garden in a quiet residential area.	25-27 Lambert Street, Camperdown
Glebe Town Hall	Town Hall	The main hall is 207m <sup>2</sup> , the Southern hall and Chambers hall are 96m <sup>2</sup> , the meeting room is 13m <sup>2</sup> and the classroom is 36m <sup>2</sup>	160 St Johns Road, Glebe NSW 2037
Glebe Library	Library		186 Glebe Point Road (Corner Wigram Road)
<i>Inner West Council</i>			
Annandale Neighbourhood Centre	Neighbourhood Centre	Two halls and one meeting room.	79 Johnston Street Annandale
Whites Creek Cottage	Community centre	Whites Creek Cottage is a community facility suitable for small community gatherings, meetings, celebrations or low impact events or activities	31 White Street, Lilyfield
Camperdown Park Meeting Room	Meeting Room	Camperdown Park Meeting Room will be a brand new space located within Camperdown Park, due to open in mid-August. This room will have the capacity to hold 30 people at any one time.	Camperdown Park, Mallett Street

### 10.2.2 Libraries

#### Existing facilities

The closest library to the Camperdown Precinct is the Glebe Library as listed in Table 49. Upgrading this facility could enable some of the additional floor space to be provided in the short to medium term. It is anticipated that by 2054, the Leichhardt Library may be relocated providing additional opportunities for floor space that will accommodate the Taverner's Hill, Leichhardt and Camperdown population.

### 10.2.3 Cultural facility

#### Existing facilities

The Camperdown Precinct is in close proximity to the Sydney CBD and is within the boundaries of the City of Sydney, this enables residents to have access to regional cultural spaces such as:

- Footbridge Theatre
- Seymour Centre
- Enmore Theatre
- the Italian Forum Cultural Centre

To accommodate the needs of the future population within urban renewal areas, it is recommended in GHD's Rates of Provision that consideration be given to increasing capacity of existing cultural spaces by installing additional features within existing facilities or developing partnerships to utilise facilities in other ownership. Within the Camperdown Precinct, additional facilities such as exhibition space, public art, art studio or music studio could be provided within an existing community facility. This could include a partnership with Sydney University who own the footbridge theatre and Seymour Centre to upgrade facilities within their centre.

### 10.2.4 Childcare and Out of School Hours Care

#### Existing facilities

The majority of childcare providers within a 1km radius of the Camperdown Precinct are owned and operated by private providers. The majority of childcare providers within a 1km radius of the Camperdown Precinct are owned and operated by private operators. The City of Sydney Council operates four centres across the LGA, although two of these centres (Broughton Street Kindergarten and Hilda Booler Kindergarten) are located in the neighbouring suburb of Glebe they are outside the 1km Precinct radius. The City is currently constructing an additional childcare facility at 7 The Crescent Annandale which is located within the 1km radius. This facility is anticipated to open in mid 2016.

Inner West Council currently operates nine long day care centres and a preschool. Two of Council's long day care centres are located within a 1km radius of the Precinct. Another centre has been approved for development. Council also operates a family day care service which has facilities across their LGA. With regards to Out of School Hours Care, all of the primary schools, listed in Table 53 provide OOSH services.

**Table 50: Council operated childcare centres within 1km of the Camperdown Precinct**

Centre	Council	Age	Address	Number of childcare places
7 The Crescent, Annandale	City of Sydney Council	Under Construction	7 The Crescent, Annandale	80
Annandale Children's Centre	Inner West Council	6 weeks to 6 years	47 Trafalgar st, Annandale NSW 2038	30
Leichhardt Children's Centre	Inner West Council	6 weeks to 6 years	19 Leichhardt St, Leichhardt NSW 2040	45

#### Opportunities

According to the City of Sydney Child Care Needs Analysis (2013) by 2031 the City will need to encourage an additional 5,976 places (3,730 for residents and 2,246 for workers) across the LGA. The Glebe Point Road Village, which includes areas of the Camperdown Precinct Catchment has the lowest forecast gap in the LGA and

will require at least 143 places. The findings were similar in *Review of Early Education and Case Service Delivery for Children Under School Age in the Leichhardt LGA* (Leichhardt Council, 2013). This study states that “there are long waiting lists for all service types with between 100 and 290 on waiting lists. Waiting lists are particularly long at Long Day Care centres, Family Day Care and for children aged under 2 years.”

Recommendations for increasing the provision of childcare within the LGAs as recommended within the two Council studies include:

- Council to construct a number of new centres that could either be operated by Council, a private provider, a community provider or a quality organisation e.g. Good Start.
- Council to design and obtain development consent and then lease the land for the lessee to construct and operate the centre.
- Advocate with the State and Federal government for funding for a new Long Day Care centre.

Both Councils have acknowledged that there is currently an insufficient provision of OOSH places within their respective LGAs. To advocate for additional places, Inner West Council has founded the After School Care Alliance, a grouping of Councils, Out of School Hours Care providers and P&Cs, to create solutions to Sydney’s after school care crisis. The aim of the Alliance is to bring school communities and after school care providers together to advocate the NSW State Government to develop solutions.

### 10.2.5 Sportsground and recreation facilities

#### Existing facilities

The Camperdown Precinct is located in close proximity to a number of parks and sporting grounds including Camperdown Park and O’Dea Reserve. There are ten recreation areas within an 800m radius of the Camperdown Precinct, which cater to a wide variety of sport activities including Fanny Durack Aquatic Centre and a skate park in Darrell Jackson Gardens. In addition, there are number of sport and recreation facilities within the University of Sydney Campus these include the Sydney University Sports and Aquatic Centre and the Fisher Tennis Centre.

A summary of the facilities across all of the recreation areas is provided in Table 51. As acknowledged in Volume One, a more detailed Recreation Needs Assessment is required to investigate how the existing facilities are currently used as well as recreation trends within the LGA that will influence future provision.

**Table 51: Summary of recreation facilities within Camperdown Precinct**

Facility type	Sport type	Number of facilities
<b>Sportsfields</b>	Rugby field (including cricket/AFL)	6
<b>Courts</b>	Half basketball court	2
	Full basketball court	8
	Tennis	11
	Multisport	3
	Squash	7
<b>Swimming pool</b>	Swimming pools	1

### 10.3 Recommendations for the Camperdown Precinct

Camperdown Precinct will act as a western entry to Sydney CBD, with high-quality amenity for housing and new businesses that tap into the area's health, education, and technology institutions. The Camperdown Precinct is one of the smaller precincts along the Parramatta Road Corridor with a projected population of 3,110 by 2054.

This additional community will have a marginal impact on social infrastructure within the surrounding area. Development will occur in the long term and it is anticipated that the community will utilise facilities within the adjoining Leichardt Precinct making use of the proposed civic centre along Norton or alternatively within the City of Sydney LGA accessing facilities within the Glebe Village.

The University of Sydney campus includes a large of range of sport and recreation facilities including a sport fields. Opportunities should be explored for the shared use of facilities with the University enabling the public to access facilities available on campus.

**Table 52: Summary of social infrastructure required for the Camperdown Precinct**

Community Facility Type	Rates of provision	Short term need (2016 - 2021)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
Meeting spaces	Consider increasing capacity of existing spaces or replace existing facilities if not appropriate or develop partnerships to utilise facilities in other ownership  The space should be an appropriate size to cater for the population and a range of activities. A minimum size of 60m <sup>2</sup> is recommended for one activity room.		Upgrade or extension to existing facilities such as Brown Street Community Hall, Booler Community Centre, Annandale Neighbourhood Centre or Whites Creek Cottage
Library	28 m <sup>2</sup> per 1,000 residents		Expansion of existing library (Glebe Library) to allow for an additional 39m <sup>2</sup> of floor space
Cultural space	Consider increasing capacity of existing cultural spaces by installing additional features within existing facilities or developing partnerships to utilise facilities in other ownership		Upgrade of facilities within existing community centres.
Childcare	One place for every two children aged 0 to 5 years for residents.		The provision of 49 places by the public or private sector.
Outside of school hours (OOSH)	One Before School Care (BSC) place per 17 children 5-11 years		The provision of seven Before School Care places by the public or private sector.
	One After School Care (ASC) place per five children aged 5-11 years		The provision of 22 After School Care places by the public or private sector.

Community Facility Type	Rates of provision	Short term need (2016 – 2021)	Medium to long term (2024-2054)
	One Vacation Care (VC) place per seven children aged 5-11 years).		The provision of 16 Vacation Care places by the public or private sector.
Sportsground	One sports ground (comprising two playing fields) per 5,000 people (minimum 5 ha) Consider shared used of school sports grounds.	Upgrade of existing or development of partnership with University of Sydney to facilitate community use of facilities.	
Outdoor sports court	One multipurpose court: 10,000 people Two tennis courts: 10,000 people	Upgrade of existing or development of partnership with University of Sydney to facilitate community use of facilities.	

## 11. Social infrastructure provided by State Government Agencies

Local government plays a significant role in the provision and operation, particularly for facilities that cater for the local community; however it is not the only provider. State Government agencies such as the Department of Education (DET), Local Health Districts and Emergency Services also have a significant role for facilities that operate at a district or regional level. Social infrastructure provided through these State Agencies often has a different funding mechanism as they are not eligible for contributions through the traditional Section 94 Contributions. It must be acknowledged that in some cases, particularly for health and education, the public system is also supported by the private sector.

Social infrastructure facilities provided by the State Government Agencies have a larger catchment area. For this reason, the social infrastructure analysis has investigated the level of provision by assessing the Parramatta Corridor as a whole. It is for this reason, that the facilities have not been included in the Precinct by Precinct Assessment that has been presented in Sections 3 through 10.

### 11.1 Education facilities

#### 11.1.1 Public education facilities

##### Current provision across the Parramatta Road Corridor

The NSW Department of Education (DET) own and operate 33 public schools that have catchments within the Parramatta Road Corridor. The schools include 23 primary schools and 10 secondary schools, the schools are listed in Table 53 and Table 54 with the Precincts that they are located within. Catholic and independent schools also play a significant role in the provision of education along the corridor and this is discussed in more detail in Section 11.1.2.

In recent years, the DET has opened two new schools within catchment of the corridor. The Marie Bashir Public School in Strathfield opened in 2014. The site was formerly the Sydney Adventist College that closed in 2012. The DET acquired the site in 2013 and the school was opened following some renovation work. The acquisition of the school demonstrates the willingness of the DET to purchase opportunistic sites.

Another new school is the Victoria Avenue Public School in Concord West opened in 2015, this school was developed in partnership with the City of Canada Bay Council and the Sydney Local Health District it includes other social infrastructure facilities that are available to the broader community including an early childhood health clinic and a child care centre. The partnership arrangement to develop the school could be used as a case study for similar education developments within the Parramatta Road Corridor.

**Table 53 Public primary schools that have catchments within the Parramatta Road Corridor**

Facility name	Address	Precinct
Annandale Public School	25 Johnston St, Annandale NSW	Leichhardt
Ashfield Public School	Liverpool Rd, Ashfield NSW	Taverner's Hill
Auburn North Public School	100 Adderley St Auburn NSW	Auburn
Auburn Public School	Cnr of Auburn Road & Beatrice Street Auburn	Auburn
Burwood Public School	1 Condor St, Burwood	Homebush

Facility name	Address	Precinct
Concord Public School	Burwood Rd and Stanley St, Concord	Homebush
Croydon Public School	39 Young St, Croydon	Burwood-Concord/ Kings Bay
Five Dock Public School	Henry St, Sydney	Burwood-Concord/ Kings Bay
Forest Lodge Public School	Bridge Rd, Forest Lodge NSW	Camperdown
Granville Public School	Lena St, Granville NSW 2142	Granville
Haberfield Public School	Denman Ave, Haberfield NSW	Taverner's Hill
Homebush Public School	Rochester St, Homebush	Homebush
Homebush West Primary School	Exeter Rd, Homebush West	Homebush
Kegworth Public School	60 Tebbutt St, Leichhardt NSW	Taverner's Hill
Leichhardt Public School	Marion St, Leichhardt NSW	Leichhardt
Lidcombe Public School	Mills Street Lidcombe NSW	Auburn
Marie Bashir Public School	159 Albert Road, Strathfield NSW	Homebush
Newtown North Public School	Carillon Ave, Newtown NSW	Camperdown
Parramatta Public School	177 Macquarie St, Parramatta NSW 2150	Granville
Parramatta West Public School	Auburn & Young St, Parramatta NSW 2150	Granville
Petersham Public School	25 Hunter St, Petersham NSW	Taverner's Hill
Rosehill Public School	Prospect St, ROSEHILL NSW 2142	Granville
Victoria Avenue Public School	64-66 Victoria Avenue, Concord West NSW	Homebush

**Table 54 Public high schools that have catchments within the Parramatta Road Corridor**

Facility name	Address	Precinct
Arthur Phillip High School	Smith St, Parramatta NSW 2150	Granville
Ashfield Boys High School	117 Liverpool Rd, Ashfield	Homebush
Auburn Girls High School	Hunter St & Braemar Ave Auburn	Auburn
Birrong Boys High School	Rodd St Birrong NSW	Auburn
Birrong Girls High School	Cooper Rd Birrong NSW	Auburn
Burwood Girls High School	Queens St, Croyden	Homebush
Concord High School	3 Stanley St, Concord	Homebush
Granville Boys High School	14 Mary St, Granville NSW 2142	Granville
Homebush Boys High School	Bridge Rd, Homebush NSW	Homebush
Strathfield Girls High School	Albert Rd, Strathfield NSW	Homebush
Sydney Secondary College Leichhardt Campus	Balmain Rd, Leichhardt NSW	Taverner's Hill

### Challenges in accommodating education requirements along the Parramatta Road Corridor

The DET is required to provide a place for every child to attend a public school in NSW. There are many challenges associated with achieving this requirement particularly in areas such as the Corridor, which are undergoing urban renewal and transforming into areas of higher density. According to the DET, the majority of the schools within the Parramatta Road Corridor are either at capacity or are close to reaching capacity due to existing population growth within the corridor, this will be further exacerbated by the population projected by the Strategy.

The planning of new schools is undertaken in accordance with DET's policy Planning New Schools, School Safety And Urban Planning Advisory Guidelines (2015), which is summarised in Volume 1. This document outlines the criteria for determining when a new school is required as well as providing a checklist of site requirements for new schools. Although the checklist is a guideline it identifies some of the challenges that are faced by the Department when identifying appropriate sites for the development of a new school. In urban renewal areas such as the Corridor, small lot sizes, availability and cost of land further reduce the potential for the development of new schools.

To accommodate growth within the corridor the DET are investigating ways to optimise existing school sites in all the Precinct. Currently many sites are constrained by heritage, height and floor space ratio (FSR) controls that restrict development. The DET is working with the DPE and the respective Councils to review the planning controls on existing school sites to increase the development potential and therefore capacity of the schools, which would enable an increase in enrolments.

Projects that the DET have committed to that will assist with accommodating some of the growth within the Parramatta Road Corridor include:

- Redevelopment of the Parramatta Public School and Arthur Phillip High School.
- Upgrade of Homebush West Public School
- Development of the new Sydney High School on the former Cleveland Street Intensive English High School site.

The population growth generated across the Parramatta Road Corridor, according to the DET will generate the need for an additional two public schools and one high school. The projects identified above and the optimisation of existing sites within the corridor will assist in accommodating some of the growth in the short to medium term. Additional sites should be investigated along the corridor that will be able to accommodate growth over the long term.

### **Recommendations for the Parramatta Road Corridor**

Additional education infrastructure will be required along the Parramatta Road Corridor to accommodate the growth generated from the PRUTP. It is recommended that the following be undertaken to support the DET in optimising existing and developing new education infrastructure:

- Development controls that currently restrict development on existing school sites should be removed. This will enable existing schools to increase in capacity and accommodate additional students.
- PRUTP supports the projects that are currently funded and under development by the DET these include the redevelopment of Parramatta Public School, Arthur Phillip High School and the new Sydney High School, as well as an upgrade to Homebush West.
- Innovative development solutions and partnerships, such as those used for the development of the Victoria Avenue Public School should be considered, particularly if it assists with identifying potential future sites for new schools. Developers should be offered an incentive for incorporating a school within a larger scale site.

### **11.1.2 Catholic and Independent education facilities**

The Catholic and Independent schools make significant contribution to meeting education requirements within the Parramatta Road Corridor. There are 38 Catholic and Independent schools within a 1km radius of the Corridor which is more than the number of public schools. They include seven Central Schools,(years k-12), 22 primary schools and nine secondary schools.

The population growth occurring within the Parramatta Road Corridor will place pressure on the Catholic and Independent schools to accommodate additional students. Similarly, to the public school sites, these school sites are also constrained by heritage, height and floor space ratio (FSR) controls that restrict development. Removing these controls will encourage the Catholic and Independent schools to increase their capacity so that they can assist with meeting the education demands of the future population of the Corridor.

#### **Recommendations for the Parramatta Road Corridor**

- Development controls that currently restrict development on existing school sites (Public as well as Catholic and Independent Schools) within the corridor should be removed. This will enable existing schools to increase in capacity and accommodate additional students.

### **11.1.3 Tertiary education facilities**

The Parramatta Road Corridor is located between two significant tertiary education precincts. At the Western end of the corridor surrounding Parramatta there are number of education facilities, these include:

- TAFE South Western Sydney Institute
- Western Sydney University
- Charles Sturt University
- University of New England
- Australian Catholic University.
- The Western Sydney University Parramatta City campus is currently under construction.

At the Eastern of the Corridor at the gateway to the Parramatta Road corridor towards the City is another cluster of tertiary institutions including:

- Sydney TAFE
- The University of Sydney
- University of Technology Sydney
- The University of Notre Dame
- Australian Catholic University.

Each of the tertiary of the institutions have their own strategies for accommodating future growth. These facilities are regional and have a broad catchment including greater Sydney and in some cases broader NSW. The population growth generated from the Parramatta Road Corridor will not have a significant influence on the provision of tertiary education facilities. The development and expansion of these facilities will have positive impact on the provision of jobs within the corridor. The Universities and tertiary institutions could also be potential partners to facilitate the sharing of social infrastructure.

#### **Recommendations for the Parramatta Road Corridor**

- Support the development and expansion of tertiary education facilities within the Parramatta Road Corridor.
- Investigate partnerships for sharing social infrastructure.

## 11.2 Health facilities

### Current provision across the Parramatta Road Corridor

The Corridor is located across two Local Health Districts (LHDs). The Western Sydney Local Health District (WSLHD) operates across the Western Precincts of Granville and Auburn, whilst the Sydney Local Health District (SLHD) operates across the Central and Eastern Precincts. Hospitals and community health centres operated by these LHDs which currently service the needs of the Corridor are outlined in Table 55.

**Table 55 Public hospitals and Community Health Centres that currently service the Corridor**

Local Health District	Precinct	Public hospitals that service the Precincts	Community Health Centres that service the Precincts
Western Sydney Local Health District	Granville Auburn	Cumberland Hospital Westmead Hospital Granville Mental Health Rehabilitation Centre Auburn Hospital St Joseph's Hospital (St Vincent's Health Network)	Merrylands Community Health Centre Parramatta Community Health Centre Auburn Community Health Centre
Sydney Local Health District	Homebush Burwood Kings Bay Taverner's Hill Leichhardt Camperdown	Royal Prince Alfred Hospital Concord Repatriation General Hospital Concord Centre for Mental Health The Professor Marie Bashir Centre for Mental Health Canterbury Hospital Balmain Hospital Sydney Dental Clinic Tresillian Family Care Centre	Concord Early Childhood Health Centre Homebush Early Childhood Health Centre Glebe Early Childhood Health Centre Five Dock Early Childhood Health Centre Leichhardt Early Childhood Health Centre Camperdown Early Childhood Health Centre Camperdown Child Adolescent Family Health Centre

Both LHDs currently have planned and funded health infrastructure projects outlined in their Strategic Plans. These plans have been based on overall population projections within the LHD catchments. For the SLHD, the projections have estimated a population of 772,448 by 2031 and reference has been made to significant urban renewal projects such as Green Square, the Central to Eveleigh Corridor, the Bays Precinct and also Parramatta Road. The WSLHD Strategic has been on a projection that estimates a population increase between 2011 and 2021 of 163,000. Given that the population catchment of the WSLHD includes the North West Priority Growth Area, it is not clear where the bulk of this population increase will occur and if the calculations include the Parramatta Road corridor.

A summary of the infrastructure projects that are currently funded and would increase service provision along the Corridor is provided in [Table 56](#).

**Table 56 Health infrastructure projects relevant to the Corridor**

Sydney Local Health District Strategic Plan (2012-2017) - updated 2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All hospitals - Increase the bed and service capacity for hospitals in the District as indicated by the forecasted demand.</li> <li>• Concord Hospital - Increase the acute and sub-acute bed capacity; upgrade the aged care, cancer care, emergency department, theatres, diagnostic and ambulatory services.</li> <li>• Canterbury Hospital - Upgrade the acute, sub-acute, ambulatory aged care and dialysis services.</li> <li>• Sydney Dental Hospital - Gradually upgrade the infrastructure.</li> <li>• Community Health facilities - Ensure they meet the requirements of the expanding population of the District.</li> </ul>
Western Sydney Local Health District Asset Strategic Plan
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Westmead Hospital Campus - The Stage 1 redevelopment strategy will reconfigure existing buildings to increase capacity and undertake a staged replacement of the buildings in poorest condition and functionality.</li> <li>• Westmead car parking – Development of a multi-storey car park near the western boundary of the campus.</li> <li>• Cumberland Hospital - Upgrade of Cumberland Hospital to include a larger 20 bed Mental Health Intensive Care Unit and expand the Riverview Unity to provide a new office and administration block.</li> <li>• Merrylands Community Health Centre – Upgrade to be safer and more efficient.</li> <li>• Auburn Hospital - Once the expected growth in the aged population requires use of the medical ward expansion area, the in-situ satellite dialysis service would relocate adjacent to the Auburn Community Hub.</li> </ul>

### **Challenges in accommodating health requirements along the Parramatta Road Corridor**

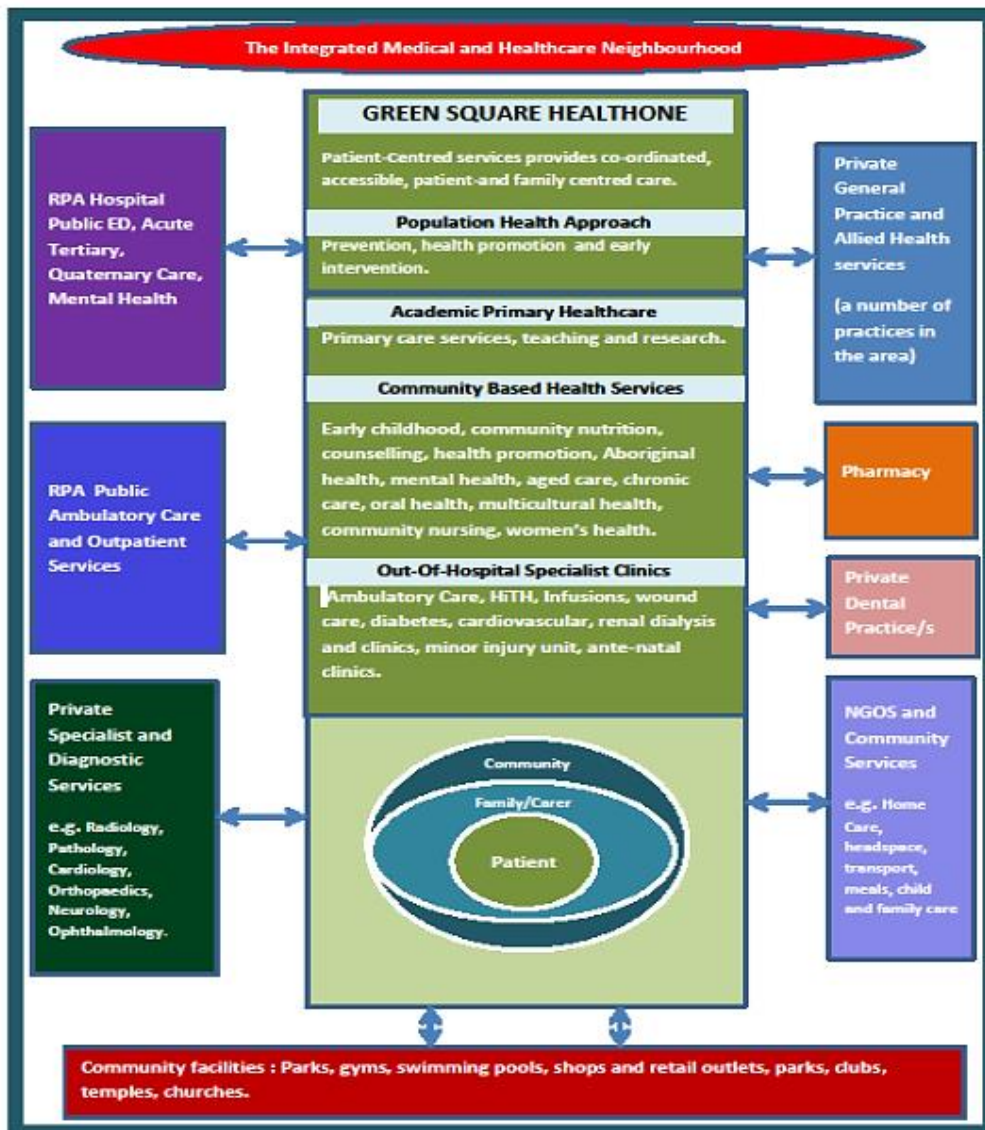
Both LHDs are experiencing an increase in demand for their services, this is due to population growth as well as increasing rates of chronic and complex conditions and expanding healthcare costs due to technological advancements. The SLHD has acknowledged that the projected demand from population growth and health requirements could be as much as the health care facility growth equivalent to requirement for a whole new tertiary hospital in the next decade. Rather than providing such a facility, the focus is on reducing the reliance on hospital beds and shifting the focus to integrated community-based care. Both LHDs have acknowledged that health care delivery needs to change and they exploring methods to achieve this.

Various community-based models of care are currently being trialled across the various NSW LHDs. The HealthOne Green Square Plan is an example of a community-based model that has been developed by SLHD, in collaboration with the Central and Eastern Sydney Public Health Network, The University of Sydney, the University of NSW and the City of Sydney are other key partners.

The Green Square HealthOne Clinic will integrate primary care, community health and out-of-hospital care services, including services that would traditionally be provided in a hospital setting, but will increasingly be

provided in the community sector. The proposed model for the services is based on an Australian version of the US Patient Centred Medical Home (PCMH) embedded in a well-functioning “Health and Medical Neighbourhood”. This concept aims to maximise the role of patients, consumers, families and communities as partners in promoting health and wellbeing. The model is depicted in Figure 10.

Figure 10 Health care model that has been developed for Green Square HealthOne (Sydney Local Health District, 2015)



The Green Square HealthOne Clinic will be located within the Green Square Town Centre and will contain almost 4,000 square metres of space, providing a mix of Academic Primary Care services, population health, community health and step-down specialist (hospital avoidance) clinics. These public services would support the patients of co-located private health organisations including medical specialists, pharmacy, radiology etc.

The service vision for Green Square provides an opportunity to directly integrate health care services with other facilities in a town centre such as gyms, swimming pools, retail outlets etc. and to model preventive programs such as exercise prescription, including exercise, swimming, gym, sports fields and healthy lifestyle modification including smoking cessation and healthy eating.

There are opportunities within the Corridor to provide similar integrated healthcare clinics to support the health and wellbeing requirements of the future population. There is significant growth projected within the area surrounding Parramatta, particularly as the area is developed to become Sydney's second CBD combined with the various urban renewal projects including Parramatta Road, North Parramatta and Camellia. The population growth generated could require an integrated health care clinic to support the health needs of the future community.

The Homebush Precinct does not currently have sufficient provision of community based health facilities and this has been acknowledged by the SLHD. A community health centre with the capacity to be increased to an integrated health facility would benefit the area enabling the needs of the current community to be addressed whilst also being able to accommodate the needs of the future community.

### **Recommendations for the Parramatta Road Corridor**

- Support the health infrastructure upgrades that have been identified within the SLHD and WSLHD Strategic Plans.
- Upgrade and reconfigure the Merrylands Community Health Centre to improve community health service provision and increase capacity.
- Upgrade and expand existing community health facilities so that they can be future proofed to accommodate additional health services and support the shift to integrated health care.
- Development of a new community health centre within the Homebush Precinct, this facility can be collocated with a community centre or other similar social infrastructure facility.
- Support investigation of new integrated health facilities that would provide services to the Parramatta Road corridor. The Greater Parramatta Region is currently undergoing substantial population growth and this may generate the need for additional health facilities.

## **11.3 Emergency Services**

The rates of provision for social infrastructure predominantly focus on a per capita rate for each social infrastructure type. In contrast emergency services have their own service model and different levels of infrastructure provision. The following provides a brief summary of the service model and factors that are considered in their infrastructure planning.

### **11.3.1 Ambulance**

The Sydney Ambulance Metropolitan Infrastructure Strategy (SAMIS) has developed an effective system of forecasting and responding to changes in service provision. Rather than anticipating service need based on a per capita ratio, NSW Ambulance monitors 000 calls and tracks population groups, for example areas with a higher proportion of elderly residents tend to have a greater need for ambulance services.

In accordance with the SAMIS model Ambulance services are provided through an Ambulance Hub and standby facility system. Locations for ambulance hubs with the capacity of up to 30-40 vehicles have been identified across the Sydney Metropolitan Region. Each hub is supported by a network of up to 10 standby locations. The infrastructure for a standby hub is minimal and can be collocated facilities such as police station, fire station etc. The hub requires a permanent parking bay for the ambulance as well as access to amenities for the ambulance crew including basic kitchen facilities and change rooms.

### **Current provision across the Parramatta Road Corridor**

There are three ambulance stations located within the Parramatta Road Corridor these include the Parramatta Ambulance Station, Auburn Ambulance Station and Summer Hill Ambulance Station. The ambulance stations are

distributed across the corridor enabling efficient access to the majority of the corridor and this can be further supported through strategically located ambulance hubs.

One of the most significant challenges faced by NSW Ambulance is facilitating road access to the health facilities along the corridor. The SLHD has raised concern that access to the Concord Hospital can be significantly restricted through traffic congestion. Transport planning will need to consider ambulance access to this critical piece of health infrastructure.

#### **Recommendations for the Parramatta Road Corridor**

- Support the provision of additional ambulance hubs as required by NSW Ambulance.
- Ensure transport planning considers ambulance access to Concord Hospital.

#### **11.3.2 Police**

The provision of police services is dependent on the amount of crime in an area rather than population size. Whilst demographic indicators can be used to anticipate crime level, such as age, unemployment rates and socio-economic status, crime rates determine the level of policing required within an area.

Police facilities can either comprise of either a shop front which is facility approximately 150m<sup>2</sup> in size that is located within a town centre. Larger centres would have a police station which can be up to 2,000m<sup>2</sup>.

#### **Current provision across the Parramatta Road Corridor**

There are nine police stations within a 1km radius of the Parramatta Road Corridor. The police stations are evenly distributed along the Parramatta Road corridor and include:

- Granville Police Station
- Auburn Police Station
- Strathfield Police Station
- Burwood Police Station
- Ashfield Police Station
- Five Dock Police Station
- Newtown Police Station
- Glebe Police Station

It is anticipated that the population projections for Corridor would have minimal impact on the provision of police services because the growth is distributed across the nine stations. The Granville and Homebush Precincts are anticipated to have the highest level of growth and they have the greatest potential to impact on the provision of police services. Support should be given to the police if the expansion of these existing facilities is required.

#### **Recommendations for the Parramatta Road Corridor**

- Support the NSW Police to expand existing infrastructure if required to meet growth within the Parramatta Road Corridor.

#### **11.3.3 Fire**

The provision of fire services is based predominantly on the key performance indicator of achieving a ten minute call out time, which is applied to all metropolitan areas. This indicator is used to determine where new facilities are required and also the level of resources required at each station.

#### **Current provision across the Parramatta Road Corridor**

There are nine fire stations within a 1km radius of the Parramatta Road Corridor. The fire stations are evenly distributed along the Parramatta Road corridor and include:

- Parramatta Fire Station
- Silverwater Fire Station
- Lidcombe Fire Station
- Burwood Fire Station
- Ashfield Fire Station
- Concord Fire Station
- Leichhardt Fire Station
- Newtown Fire Station
- Glebe Fire Station

It is anticipated that the population projections for the Corridor would have minimal impact on the provision of fire services because the growth is distributed across the nine stations and it is within a small geographic area. Because provision is based on a 10 minute call out time, it is anticipated that majority of the Corridor is already sufficiently provided to allow for this coverage. The population growth may warrant additional facilities within each fire station; however this would need to be determined by NSW Fire.

Similar to ambulance, consideration should be given in the traffic assessment for travel times as congestion can have significant impact on the call out distance.

#### **Recommendations for the Parramatta Road Corridor**

- Ensure transport planning considers fire vehicular access to areas along the corridor ensuring a maximum of a ten minute travel time.

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