

# DELIVERING HOUSING AND JOBS FOR THE WESTERN PARKLAND CITY

To help kickstart growth and development, Camden and Liverpool City councils have prepared a new land use plan for Leppington Town Centre.

Over the next 20 years, Leppington Town Centre will grow into a regionally significant transitoriented centre providing the major civic, cultural, recreational, retail and business service functions that support a community of more than 25,000 residents.

## **VISION**

The new Vision for Leppington Town Centre is:

- Active and people focused offering a convenient centre serviced by trains and rapid buses, with major shopping, cultural, recreation, multiple health and education facilities.
- A green urban centre with a leafy public domain developed around Kemps, Scalabrini and Bonds Creeks and providing cool outdoor spaces.
- Convenient and connected providing much needed homes, jobs, services and a civic hub connected by train and bus services to Liverpool, Campbelltown and to Greater Sydney. Retail, eat streets, entertainment and the rail station are conveniently accessed by walkable streets and spaces.
- A well-designed built environment known as a smart and innovative city with architecturally designed, sustainable and diverse buildings that open to a vibrant public domain. Above street level, rooftop spaces with shared cityscape and landscape views are places to relax and connect with others.
- Complementary to its natural environment

   with the local open space network
   focused on three restored and enhanced
   natural creeks. It will also feature urban
   plazas, parks, sports fields, bush reserves
   and walking trails connecting local open
   space to the Western Sydney Parklands
   and the regional open space network.



Figure 1: Artist's impression of how residential streets could look in Leppington Town Centre

## **ABOUT LEPPINGTON TOWN CENTRE**

Leppington Town Centre is a 440-hectare precinct located in Sydney's South West Growth Area which extends across both Camden and Liverpool Local Government Areas (LGAs).

The town centre is focused along three northsouth creeks, namely Kemps Creek to the west; Scalabrini Creek in the centre; and Bonds Creek to the east. An existing primary school sits in the town centre on Rickard Road.

The Liverpool City Council portion of the town centre is currently transitioning from rural land uses to narrow lot and terraced housing.

Leppington Train Station, which opened in 2015, is located in the town centre. The existing rail line connects to Liverpool. Parramatta and Sydney CBD. Future proposed rail links include a connection to the Western Sydney International Airport (WSA) and Aerotropolis. Leppington station is well used with most users living outside of Leppington.

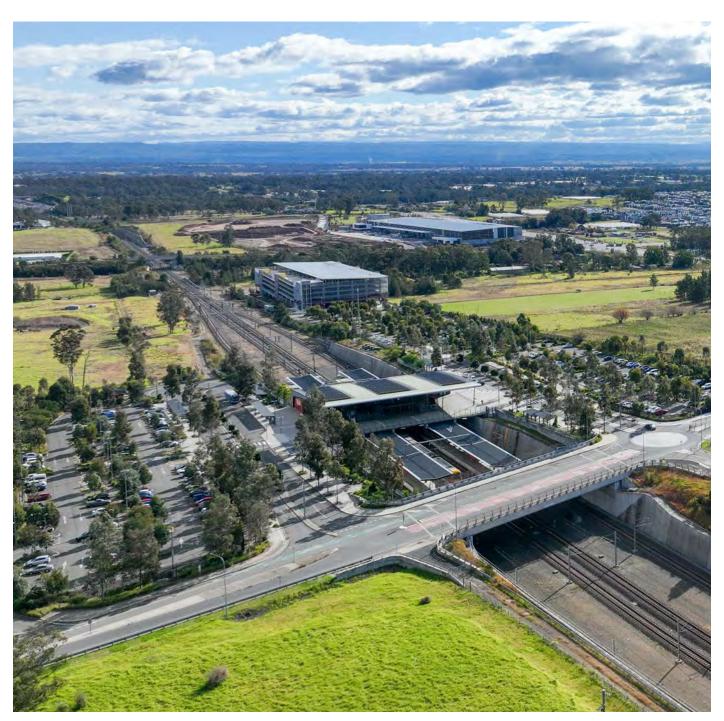


Figure 2: Rickard Road, Leppington Train Station and the commuter car park

## LEPPINGTON TOWN CENTRE PRECINCT

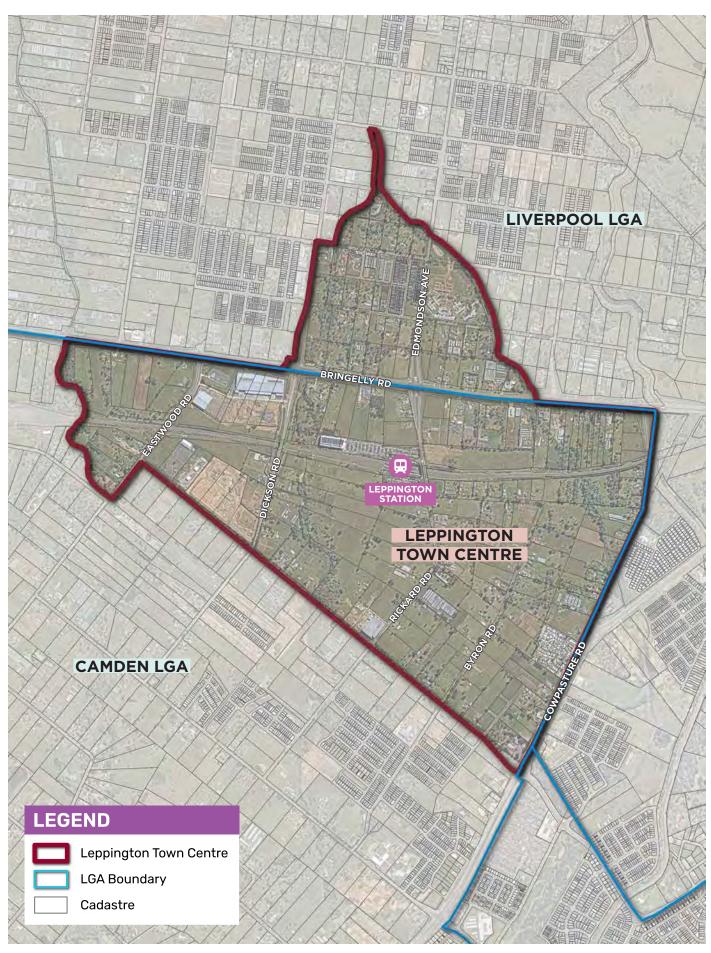


Figure 3: Leppington Town Centre Precinct

#### PLANNING PROGRESS TO DATE

Leppington Town Centre was initially rezoned in 2013. The idea was that it would develop as a business, industrial and commercial hub, focused on an extensive business park. It was anticipated that Leppington Town Centre could deliver between 7,000 and 12,500 jobs and at least 3,000 dwellings by 2036. However, Leppington Town Centre has been slow to develop.

In 2014, the Federal Government announced the Western Sydney International Airport, less than 20 km from Leppington Town Centre. The Aerotropolis, which surrounds the future airport is planned to include many of the enterprise and light industrial uses that were to be developed in Leppington.

In 2017, the NSW Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) commenced a review of the planning controls in the Leppington Town Centre.

Responsibility for the review was transferred to Camden Council and Liverpool City Council in 2019.

The councils commissioned a range of background studies to better understand market demand and feasibility for residential and retail development over time. These studies have underpinned the zoning and other planning controls in the draft plan.

Initial community consultation was undertaken in 2021 to help inform the vision. You can learn more about this consultation on Your Voice Camden or Liverpool Listens by visiting bit.ly/LeppingtonTC

At Council meetings in late 2022, Liverpool City Council and Camden Council considered the draft planning proposal for Leppington Town Centre. Following consideration by the State Government, the draft Planning Proposal can proceed to public exhibition.



Figure 4: Previous public consultation on the Leppington Town Centre

#### PLANNING PROCESS TIMELINE

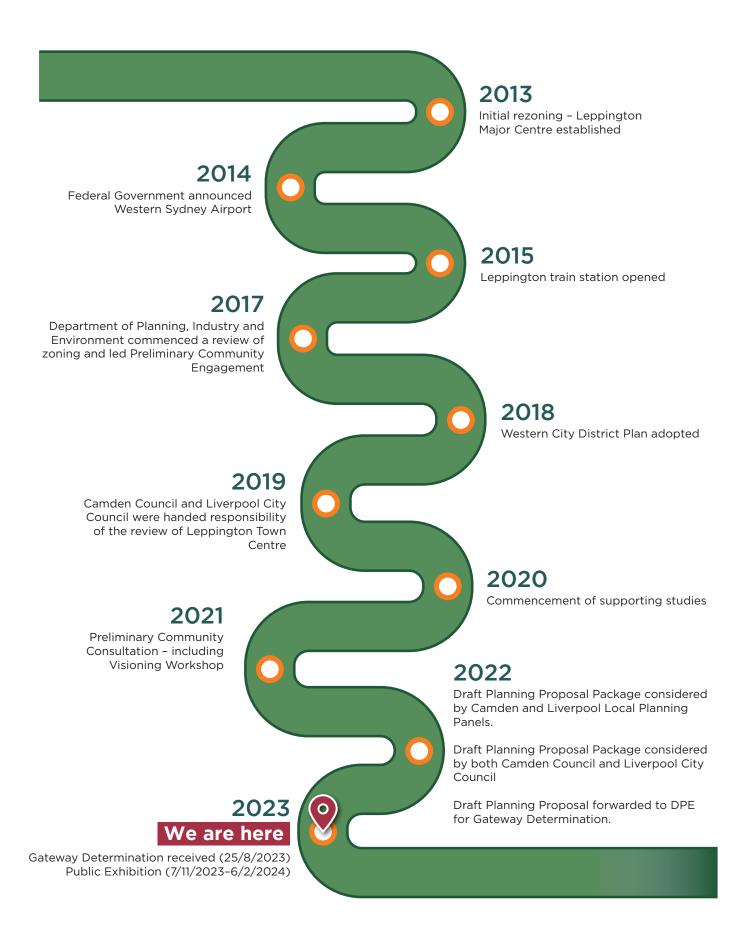


Figure 5: Planning process timeline

## INTRODUCING THE DRAFT MASTER PLAN

Leppington is Sydney's newest Strategic Centre. It will provide housing and employment for the Western Parkland City. The vision is for Leppington to be a thriving town centre with a mix of homes, shops, open space, community facilities, commercial space, business hubs and infrastructure.





Commercial

Mixed Use

Linear Plaza **Existing School** Medium Density Residential Future School

Railway Corridor

High Density Residential Utilities Infrastructure Drainage Landscaped Road Reserve Road Pedestrian Priority Street

Recreation Facility

Health Hub Nature Reserve Commuter Car Park

Education

Playing Field

Community Centre

Train Station Bus Interchange

(Location subject to review) Primary Active Link ⇒ Proposed Active Link

Figure 6: The draft Integrated Land Use Plan

#### KEY DESIRED OUTCOMES

The new draft plan is intended to lead to the following outcomes:

#### URBAN ENVIRONMENT



- concentrated in the centre core
- A highly sustainable and heat-resilient urban environment with a diversity of housing size and affordability High rise buildings in the centre core, scaling down to mid-rise and
- low-rise buildings on the fringe.



## CONNECTIVITY

New urban streets and plazas, cycleways, dedicated busways, pedestrian laneways and through site links



#### RESIDENTIAL

- Up to 11,000 new apartment and town homes over the next 20 years
- Capacity for more than 30,000 homes in the longer term
- Housing choice



#### RETAIL

- Over 150,000 m<sup>2</sup> of gross leasable retail floor space
- Regional retail anchors
- Major cultural and entertainment space



#### **EMPLOYMENT**

- Up to 11,000 jobs and 121 ha employment land
- Up to 160,000 m<sup>2</sup> of industrial and business enterprise space
- Over 140,000 m<sup>2</sup> of commercial, health, education and other employment space



#### OPEN SPACE

New public open spaces including town squares north and south of the rail station, green corridors and local parks



#### **EDUCATION**

A new high school, a new primary school, and expansion of **Leppington Public School** 

Figure 7: Key desired outcomes of the planning proposal

## KEY CHANGES TO PLANNING CONTROLS

The vision for Leppington Town Centre has changed from a largely business and industrial centre with pockets of separated medium density residential zones to a highly integrated mixed use centre. It will include a focus on residential living and provision of cultural and recreational facilities, as well as major retail and government services for the surrounding areas

Leppington Town Centre will develop in the form of a pyramid. The highest densities are centred on the station and proposed town squares immediately north and south of the station. The densities taper down to the edges of the Precinct.

To the north-east of Leppington station will be a commercial and civic hub with health and community services with supporting professional services nearby. To the north-west and south of Leppington station with be a broad range of retail and commercial activity that will support the local resident population of the town centre and the surrounding suburbs.

To provide for the needs of a higher resident population over the next 20 years, the draft Plan identifies new open spaces, local parks and playing fields and new urban squares and plazas.

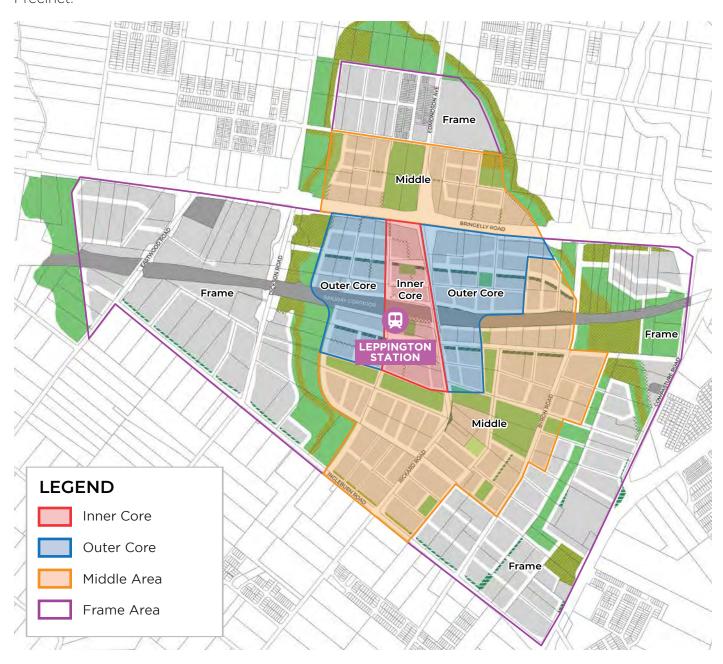


Figure 8: Draft density areas

#### INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

Camden Council is partnering with the NSW Government to deliver the many new and upgraded infrastructure projects required to transform Leppington. Over \$100 million has already been provided in grants and we continue to seek funding opportunities.

Liverpool and Camden Councils have also developed Contribution Plans which enable

contributions to be levied from development within the town centre. The funds collected assist with the delivery of essential infrastructure including open space, transport, drainage and land for community facilities.

Please visit bit.ly/LeppingtonTC for more information about infrastructure funding and the public exhibition of Contribution Plans.



Figure 9: An artist's impression of Leppington Town Centre, looking north from Leppington Train Station

## LOCAL PROPERTY ACQUISITION

Local councils have a range of roles and responsibilities in their communities, including the provision of facilities and the supply of public services. Councils will sometimes be required to 'acquire' privately owned land for purposes such as upgrading public infrastructure like open space, roads and drainage.

To learn more about the land acquisition process, including general guidance about the rights of land owners, responsibilities of acquiring

authorities and the role of the Valuer General, look for the Land Acquisition Information Guide at bit.ly/LeppingtonTC

Camden and Liverpool Councils will continue to work closely with the community throughout the acquisition process and delivery of infrastructure.

If your property is identified for acquisition by Council and you have some questions, please contact our Property Services teams.

#### **NEXT STEPS**

The draft planning package includes:

- Draft Planning Proposal which sets out the proposed changes to zoning and other provisions;
- Draft Development Control Plan which includes the detailed controls to support the draft plan; and
- Leppington Town Centre Activation Strategy

   which outlines place identity and provides direction to assist in place activation.
- Supporting studies and reports used to help inform the draft plan;

The documents are publicly available on 'Your Voice Camden', 'Liverpool Listens', and on the NSW Planning Portal.

View the exhibition material and have your say.

We know there is a lot to unpack. For this reason, we have extended the public exhibition period to allow time for landowners and other interested stakeholders to review the draft package and prepare submissions.

Both councils have sent letters to landowners advising of the public exhibition.

Anyone is welcome to make a submission, you don't need to be a landowner.

Camden and Liverpool City Councils have organised a series of opportunities for landowners to meet with Council planners and other officers to discuss how the draft plan will affect their land.

Visit **bit.ly/LeppingtonTC** for links to learn more, book an appointment or make a submission.

**Exhibition dates:** 7/11/2023 to 6/2/2024.

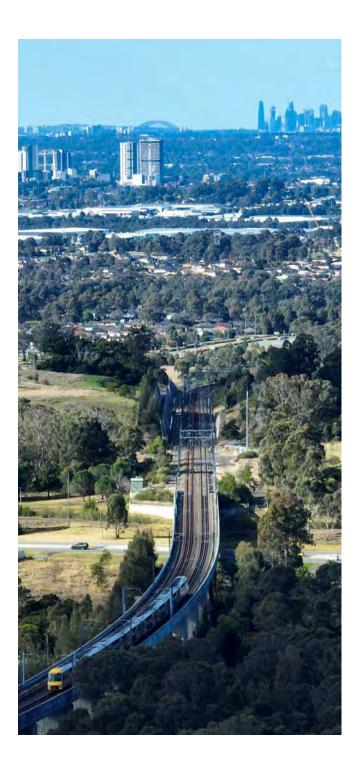








Figure 10: An artist's impression showing sports fields with residential flats in the background



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